

FLASH: Lasing at 6.5 nm



#### **FLASH – Free Electron Laser in Hamburg**

- Overview of the accelerator
- EUV/soft X-ray lasing down to 6.5 nm
- Outlook





# **DESY Hamburg**







### Overview





# Total length of linac: ~260 m

Undulator length:

#### ~30 m

Beam time allocation:

- User time
- **FEL studies** to improve machine performance
- Accelerator studies to advance technology, mainly for XFEL and ILC



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## **TESLA Acceleration Module**





module length 12.2 m



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### **Typical Machine Parameters**



#### **Electron Beam**

Beam energy (MeV)	370 – 1000
Bunch charge (nC)	0.5 - 1.0
Bunch peak current (kA)	1 – 2
Norm. emittance (mm mrad)	2
Repetition rate (Hz)	5
RF pulse flat top length (µs)	100 - 800
Bunch spacing (µs)	1 – 25
Beam power (W)	1 - 4000





#### **Photon Beam**

Wavelength (nm)	6.5 – 46
Average pulse energy (µJ)	20 – 70
Pulse duration, fwhm (fs)	10 – 50
Peak power (GW)	1 – 7
Average power (mW)	1 – 55
Divergence (µrad)	90
Spectral width, fwhm (%)	0.7 – 1.0
Brilliance B	~10 <sup>29</sup>

 $[B] = phot./s/mrad^2/mm^2/0.1\% BW$ 

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Lasing at 6.5 nm



- Lasing at 6.5 nm and 6.9 nm demonstrated, 7 nm delivered to users
- Estimated pulse energy: 2 µJ ( 50%)



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### **Peak Brilliance**





Water window: 2.3 – 4.4 nm

now in reach of 3rd harmonic

(about 0.6% pulse energy)

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### Experiments with the FEL Beam











About 25 publications already, many more to come:

- **4 Physical Review Letters**
- **6 Applied Physics Letters**
- 1 Nature
- **1 Nature Physics**
- **1 Nature Photonics**

See, e.g., http://hasylab.desy.de/facilities/flash/publications







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# Summary + Outlook



#### Present

- FLASH is a unique user facility
- ... and a testbed for superconducting technology: cavity gradients for XFEL proven in daily use
- ... with time for accelerator studies and development
- FLASH offers brilliant, short photon pulses in the wavelength range of 6.5 – 46 nm
- 3rd harmonic of FEL radiation reaches the water window

#### Future

- Full characterization of 6.5 nm radiation: next week
- 7th module: increase energy to 1.2 GeV (4.4 nm)
- sFLASH Seeding with HHG scheme



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### Many thanks to the FLASH team and all co-workers for their enthusiastic effort.

#### **Upcoming FLASH talks – Thursday**

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