# Max-Planck-Institut für Festkörperforschung X-Ray Diffraction Service Group



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The X-ray diffraction service group provides X-ray diffraction measurements of single crystals and powPeroxodicarbonate Dianion



## **Blue luminescent** polymers

observed pattern (a) best fit profile

(b) difference pattern reflection positions



10 15 28 25 30

Crystal structure and Rietveld plot of facial-Alq<sub>3</sub>. (a), (b) and (c) are projections perpendicular to the planes of the hydroxyquinoline-ligands 1, 2 and 3, respectively, showing the overlap between ligands of neighbouring Alq<sub>3</sub> molecules.Different degrees of overlap of the pi-orbitals of hydroxyquinoline ligands belonging to neighboring Alq<sub>3</sub> molecules are likely to be the origin of the significantly different electro-optical properties.

ders in the laboratory at room and low temperature.

**Research within the X-ray diffraction service group is** mainly concerned with the determination of crystal structures and microstructural properties (strain, domain size) of condensed matter from powder diffraction data. In addition, methodological development within this area is pursued. Special expertise in the field of solution and refinement of crystal structures from powder diffraction data can be provided.

Scientific cooperation in the field of non-routine structure determination (phase transitions, disorder, anisotropic peak broadening etc.) from powders is offered. This includes the performance of experiments at synchrotron and neutron sources at ambient and non-ambient conditions.

Materials currently under investigation include organometallic precursors, binary and ternary oxides, ionic conductors, electronic and magnetic materials, and rotator phases.



one-dimensional Heisenberg spin chain: dipyhydroquinone-copper

#### Information content of a powder pattern



## Anisotropic Microstrain



Anisotropic strain distribution for Na para-OH benzoate. Shading and distance from origin represents degree of microstrain (d/d) as a function of direction.

 $S^{2} = S_{400}h^{4} + S_{301}h^{3}l + \dots + S_{004}l^{4}$  $d/d = (S^2)^{1/2} d^2 / 180$ FWHM in 2 = (360/)(d/d) tan



3-dimensional difference-Fourier plot of NaC<sub>7</sub>O<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub> after applying the anisotropic FWHM model. The missing hydroxy-hydrogen atoms are clearly visible between the hydroxy-oxygen atoms.

### **Pharmaceuticals**









Powder patterns of cesium oxalate monohydrate head recorded at X7B (NSLS) in dependence of temperature (25-500°C)



Micro reaction cell: 0.5-1mm quartz glass capillary Nitrogen pressure/gasflow/liquid-flow Svagelok Fitting w. Vespel/graphite ferrule Goniometer

Selection of Diamond Anvil Cells



Lattice parameters and (rel.) volume of Minium in dependence of pressure.