## Running a non-profit shared core facility

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Core facilities are a pivotal part of Northwestern's research infrastructure, providing resources that allow groundbreaking science to happen. Talk will be based on various costs and benefits involved with running a crystallographic shared facility at the Integrated Molecular Structure Education and Research Center (IMSERC) at Northwestern university. Information on how academic researchers can apply for funding, issues surrounding running a successful academic crystallographic facility, and a perspective on the cons and pros of being part of a larger characterization facility like IMSERC will be presented.