



A LIGHT FOR SCIENCE

ESRF AND ILL ACTIVELY PRESENT IN CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC CONFERENCES



The ESRF-ILL team at the ACA meeting in Knoxville (US).

The ESRF and neighbouring ILL (Institut Laue-Langevin) join forces at this year's Annual Meetings of the American Crystallography Association (ACA) and of the International Union of Crystallography (IUCr) in Knoxville (US) and Osaka (Japan), respectively. A joint stand enables delegates to get first-hand information on the science programme, instrumentation and user support at these two European institutes.

A NEW EXPERIMENTAL HALL ON THE WAY

More than 30 ESRF engineers and scientists are busy analysing bids by five international architect teams for an extended Experimental Hall plus new laboratory and office space. This project, the design phase of which is financed by the European Commission, will cover 20,000 m² useful surface, paving the way for delivery of the ESRF 2008-2017 Science and Technology Programme. A highly stable hall floor is a main feature, but bidders were also asked to meet high standards for sustainability and comfort for users and staff. The outcome of the competition is expected to be announced in November 2008.

THE ESRF NEWSLETTER FOCUSES ON CATALYSIS

Catalysis is the main focus of the latest issue of the ESRF Newsletter. Experiments on catalysis currently take place on several beamlines at the ESRF, such as ID03, ID11, ID15, ID24, ID26 and several collaborative research group (CRG) beamlines. Synchrotron radiation is increasingly becoming an important tool in catalysis research. The ESRF Newsletter will become



ESRFnews from the next issue. Coinciding with the 20th anniversary of the ESRF, the bi-annual publication of the institute will feature a new design and sections - all to keep our readers abreast with what happens in the European synchrotron community.

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