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CoSAXS beamline at MAX IV: optical design and sample environment for advanced SAXS/WAXS applications

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CoSAXS is a versatile SAXS/WAXS beamline at the 3 GeV diffraction-limited ring of MAX IV Laboratory in Sweden. The optical design [* ,**] delivers X-ray beams from 4–20 keV with 0.01% bandwidth and photon flux of 10^{12} – 10^{13} ph/s, with up to 10% coherent flux at 7.1 keV. Beam sizes at the sample range from 250 × 250 μ m² to 30 × 15 μ m² (FWHM). The SAXS detector (Eiger2 4M) moves longitudinally and transversely inside a 15 m vacuum vessel. The fixed WAXS detector (Pilatus3) is positioned at the vessel entrance, and a Mythen2 1K in air provides 1D WAXS. The q-range spans 6 × $^{10^{-4}}$ to 3 Å $^{-1}$ (d-spacings: 1 μ m–2 Å). Supported techniques include solution and solid SAXS/WAXS, SEC/AF4-SAXS [* * * * * * * *], USAXS, TRSS in the ms range [* * *, * * * * *], and coherent scattering [* * * * * *]. Sample environments include magnetic fields, rheology, biaxial stretching [* * * * * *], and microfluidics [* * * * * * *]. Control and data systems are described in [* * * *]. After nearly 5 years of operation, CoSAXS has completed 190 proposals, including 19 proprietary research projects. The beamline has a high demand and has contributed to 47 publications.

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