



Excellence Region for "Materials Research and Structural Biology in Northern Europe"



2009-2017 8 Years of Cooperation in

RESEARCH



EDUCATION



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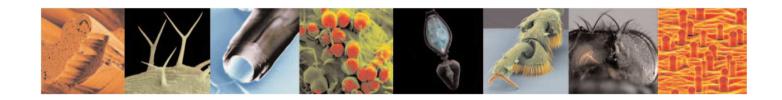




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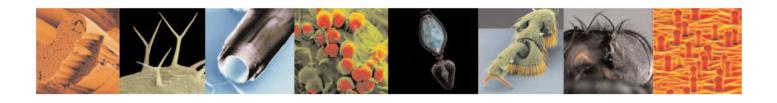
Existing science institutions in Northern Germany and Sweden, like DESY, GKSS and Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin (HZB) and e. g. Lund University and the Karolinska Institute Stockholm as well as their cooperation partners, provide an excellent basis for establishing – together with the existing and planned photon sources PETRA III, FLASH, BESSY II and MAX-lab IV and the BER II research reactor – a leading scientific environment for research using neutron and synchrotron radiation in such fields as materials and structural biology research.



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2009

Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Ministry of Education and Research of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden

Cooperation in materials research and structural biology using neutron and synchrotron radiation

I. Objectives

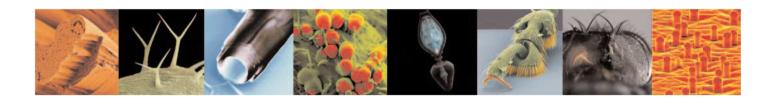
The aim of this Memorandum of Understanding is to strengthen research using neutrons and photons in materials and structural biology research and to promote the efficient use of large facilities available in the region. In addition, the two countries will support each other in the preparation and construction of the planned large facilities, the X-ray laser XFEL in Hamburg and the spallation neutron source ESS in Lund. In the interest of both sides, the Swedish-Northern German region will thereby be developed to become a scientific excellence region that is unique and internationally visible in these research fields. Its name will be "Röntgen-Angström Cluster".







RAC Pillars



Joint use of Synchrotron and FEL Facilities Materials Science Structural Biology

Joint Research Projects Workshops, Schools Joint Appointments

Development of World-Leading RIS

Joint use of Neutron Facilities



RAC Research Infrastructures

European Lead Facilities
International Pioneer Facilities

Berlin

1st SASE X-ray Laser



Free-Electron Laser FLASH



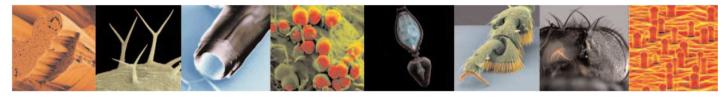
European Neutron Facility



European XFEL Facility 1st MBA Storage Ring







Resumee Dosch: RAC has delivered!

RIS Development

XFEL: well on track with a reliable Swedish-German relationship

ESS: on the way with a visible German contribution

MAXIV: operational MBA pioneer facility

PETRA III S-beamline delivered

Project Funding (2011-2013-2015) **37,4 Mio**

Bilateral project funding through VR and BMBF

53 Swedish-German research projects

Education and Training 2,3 Mio

RACIRI Summerschool

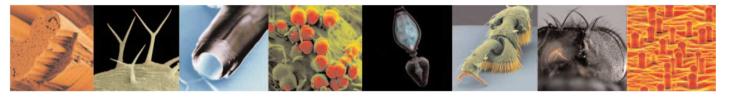
MATRAC School in Materials Engineering

Young Scientist Promotion

RAC has become a trademark worldwide.







Future Importance of RAC (German View)

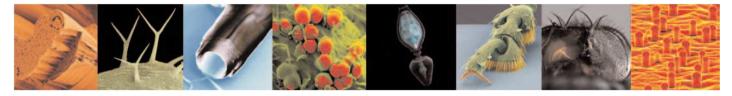
Sweden = key partner in Europe for development of RIS RAC = role model for scientific cooperation with flexible project funding Potential of RAC will become even stronger in the coming decade (XFEL, ESS, MAXIV, PETRA IV, BESSY II, FLASH)

RAC stands for Cooperation in Science

in favour of knowledge against alternative facts in favour of openness against isolationism in favour of Europe against D.T.







Future Role of RAC (German View)

RAC should -

- set the frame of the next period of cooperation
- define priority areas of cooperations ("lighthouse projects")
 Catalysis, Advanced Materials, Water Research,
- aim to integrate Denmark
- invite Baltic Sea countries as associates



Stockholm - Hamburg



a special relationship













Swedish - German Cooperation

Trade - Culture - Sports - Science



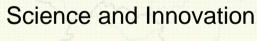


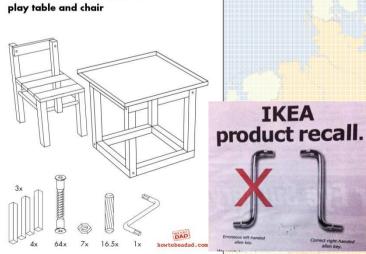














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