

Facility for TEM, SEM & FIB

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- The David Cockayne Centre for Electron Microscopy supports characterisation via SEM, TEM, FIB and related techniques within the Department of Materials

- The centre acts as a hub for characterisation in the physical sciences across the University of Oxford. It is supported by 3 research support scientists (specialisms in FIB, SEM and TEM respectively), a senior facility manager and an EM technician.









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Access for Ptll Research Projects:

- Many PtII projects will be using EM instrumentation during the year. For some EM will be a major component of the project, others less so. The 'SF1' form submitted by your supervisor conveys this information
- Generally students will be supported and trained primarily by members of their research group who are already experienced in EM.
- Each EM theme has a support scientist who will oversee the sign-off of PtII's on instruments, and add any additional training required, beyond what the research groups will support.
- The facility maintains a suite of EM, FIB and related instrumentation at the main Parks Road site (Holder Building), this will be where the majority of PtII access EM. There are also some SEM facilities at Begbroke run by OMCS.
- All of you will have seen some of these instruments during your practical classes and also the characterisation module, so will have some experience.



http://www-em.materials.ox.ac.uk





Access for Ptll Research Projects:

- The majority of PtII's will use entry-level SEM instruments such as the Zeiss EVO or the Jeol-5510. These are capable research instruments and provide everything that most PtII's need, including EDX and EBSD
- Those who need a little more, such as the Zeiss Merlin will be supported by a member of their group or (co-) supervisor.
- A few PtII's will use TEM or FIB-SEM, this will have been pre-arranged with the DCCEM at the time of writing the project description and will usually be supported via your supervisory team.
- ■Normal working hours for PtII's within the DCCEM labs are 9am-5pm, working outside of these hours, i.e. during evenings and weekends is not possible.
- ■As such PtII's receive priority access to instruments, DCCEM staff take care of this. Please approach them with an queries.



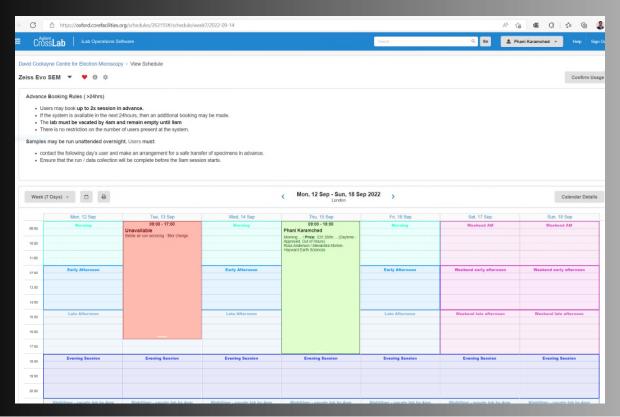
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Booking the instrument:

https://oxford.corefacilities.org/ (sign up using your SSO and ask to be added to your research group)



Each instrument has a separate mail list for communication from staff and amongst users

- Ask to be added to the corresponding mail lists after initial training em-evo@maillist.ox.ac.uk em-ebsd-merlin@maillist.ox.ac.uk
- Separate user account on the instrument





Contact:

For general queries regarding EM training and research support, contact any one of the three EM support scientists, or emaccess@materials.ox.ac.uk

If you have a technical problem or microscope fault, contact em-faults@maillist.ox.ac.uk

We will run regular 'drop-in' sessions during term time – likely on Teams. These will be opportunities for any user of the DCCEM to have an informal chat with us