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International workshop entitled "Structural Analyses Bridging over between Amorphous and Crystalline Materials" (SABAC2008) was held on January 10 and 11, 2007 at Techno Community Square "RICOTTI" in Tokai. Amorphous and crystalline materials are studied historically by various approaches. Recent industrial functional materials such as optical memory material, thermoelectric material, hydrogen storage material, and ionic conductor have intrinsic atomic disorders in their lattices. These local lattice disorders cannot be studied by conventional crystal structure analyses such as Rietveld analysis. Similar difficulty also exists in the structure analysis of nanomaterials. In this workshop, new approaches to the structural analysis on these materials were discussed.

This report includes abstracts and materials of the presentations in the workshop.

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「アモルファスから結晶にわたる物質の構造解析に関する国際ワークショッ プ」(SABAC2008)と題される国際会議が2008年1月10、11日にテクノ交流 館「リコッティ」において開催された。 光メモリ材料、熱電材料、水素貯蔵 材料、イオン伝導体など近年の工業的な機能材料にはその原子配列に乱れをも ち、さらにその乱れがそれら物質の機能の本質を担っている場合がある。しか しこのような原子配列の乱れはリートベルト解析に代表される通常の構造解析 手法を用いて調べることは不可能である。同様のことは機能性ナノ粒子に対し ても言える。今回の国際会議ではこのような物質系の構造を調べるための新し い試みとその研究成果が報告され、活発な議論が行われた。

本報告書は本会議の講演要旨および講演で使用された発表資料を収録したものである。

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1. Preface

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Amorphous material research is extending toward long range atomic correlations. Some functional crystalline materials have intrinsic atomic disorders. In the valley between them, we cannot apply periodic boundary condition. This fact makes it very difficult for us to explore this valley from structural point of view. In this sense, this valley may be called a hidden valley. There are, however, many modern functional materials such as hydrogen storage material, ionic conducting material, ferroelectric material, thermoelectric material, optical recording material, and nanomaterials in this valley. Because of these fruitful functional materials, this valley could be the Eden for material scientists. To explore the Eden, we need high intensity total scattering diffractometer, good algorism, and fast computing. High-intensity quantum beam facilities such as J-PARC will serve as the important bridge over between amorphous and crystalline materials to enhance the research activities. For example, the high-intensity neutron and X-ray beams enable simultaneous high-intensity and high-resolution diffraction measurements, leading to wide r-range atomic pair distribution function analysis. It gives us a possible chance to study form and size of crystalline domains in the disordered structure. In this workshop, new approaches in this interdisciplinary field are discussed by both amorphous and crystalline material scientists. I hope this workshop opens new scientific frontiers to be explored for many material scientists.

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2. Opening Remarks

Y. Fujii

Director General, Quantum Beam Science Directorate

On behalf of the Quantum Beam Science Directorate of Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA) hosting this Workshop, I'd like to say a few words.

First of all, we wish you a Happy New Year 2008 ! It's our great pleasure to welcome all of you to this Workshop here in Tokai. The Village of Tokai is the birth place of atomic energy research in Japan more than a half century ago. The first research reactor JRR-1 with its thermal power 50kW built in 1957 has been preserved as museum now while the most advanced 1MW spallation neutron source J-PARC will be turned on this year.

Second of all, let me briefly explain what is quantum beam and what is Quantum Beam Science Directorate for which I'm now responsible at JAEA. Recent technological advancement of controlling various beams such as neutron, ion, synchrotron radiation and laser has led us to highly sophisticated way to use their full capability in a wide variety of research fields from basic science, applied science to industrial and medical application. Such purpose-oriented excellently-controlled high-quality beams are recently called "quantum beams".

Our Quantum Beam Science Directorate was formed only two years and three months ago when the reorganized JAEA started in October 2005. The purpose of our Directorate is to promote material science, life science and industrial application by using various quantum beams complementarily based on JAEA-owned large-scale facilities such as JRR-3 reactor, J-PARC spallation neutron source here in Tokai, Ion-beam facility in Takasaki, Laser facility and SPring-8 synchrotron facility in Kansai, all well-coordinated and well-bridged-over Japan. In addition we are running several international cooperative research programs such as high-level Governmental Agreement for US-Japan Program on Neutron Scattering between ORNL/DOE and JAEA/MEXT, and institutional agreement on Quantum Beam Science and Technology between CAS/China and JAEA.

Third of all, let me say what most of us are doing is "Small Science at Large Facility". The Small Science does not mean less important science at all, but important science which can be studied by a relatively small number of researchers, even by a single researcher. The Small Science is extremely important academically in basic and applied science as well as industrial and medical application.

The other extreme is Large Science. High energy physics experiment is typical one where several hundreds of researchers get together to pursue a single purpose to try to discover an unknown particle by using a large scale accelerator. That is "Large Science at Large Facility". Our research of small science very much depend on reliable, stable and high-quality quantum beams provided by large-scale facilities such as reactor and accelerator. In order to stably operate such a large facility for small science, it's essentially important to have government-level's support as a national facility fundamentally important for promoting science and technology domestically as well as internationally. To secure such a reliable operation of various large facilities, we are now very keen on an establishment of so-called "Quantum Beam Platform" together with the Government.

Fourth and finally, I hope you enjoy this Workshop today scientifically and socially. I also hope that this Workshop is neither the first nor the last meeting on this kind of topics.

Thank you !

3. Taming the Structural Complexity

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Today's advanced materials are much more complex in the atomic structure than traditional materials, particularly at the nanometer-scale, whereas most of the existing methods of structural characterization are focused either on the long-range periodicity (crystallography) or the atomic environment (XAFS, NMR, etc.), and are not geared to assess the nano-scale atomic order. In my view there are only two quickly advancing techniques that has a true potential of covering the intermediate ranges, namely the high-resolution electron microscopy and the atomic pair-density function (PDF) approach with high-energy neutron or x-ray probes [1]. These two techniques are complementary, and should be used as such, and in either case sophisticated simulation and analysis are the key to the success of these methods. In this talk I review the state-of-the-art capabilities of the pulsed neutron PDF analysis, using the NPDF of the Lujan Center, Los Alamos National Laboratory, as the reference point. With the NPDF the PDF can be determined up to 30 nm, thus effectively bridging the atomic level structure and the long-range structure. Modeling the atomic structure over such a vast range of distances is a challenge, and much remains to be done. In some cases nano-scale domains are observed by the PDF, rendering relatively easy interpretation of the nano-scale structure [2]. Also it is easy to tell the size of nano-particles by the decay of the PDF amplitude. In multi-component systems often the chemical correlation plays an important role. Comparison of x-ray and neutron PDFs helps identifying the chemical order. The uses of isotopes for neutron PDF and the resonant scattering for x-rays allow at least the differential PDF to be determined. Finally the PDF method is now extended to the study of local dynamics through the dynamic PDF method. Some initial results by this technique will be presented and discussed.

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 Competing forces can create deviations from periodicity. 	
 Seeing atomic correlation is the best way to understand the structure of aperiodic systems. 	
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