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Radiation damage in small-molecule crystallography: fact not fiction

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## S1. Beam characterisation



**Figure S1** The X-ray beam on the sample position captured using a fluorescent screen and the on-axis viewing camera. The large circle represents 100  $\mu$ m collimation.



**Figure S2** Horizontal beam profile measured from the image in figure S1. This was used to calculate the FWHM. The *x*-axis indicates the camera pixels (micrometres to pixels ratio 285:1024).



**Figure S3** Vertical beam profile measured from the image in Figure S1. This was used to calculate the FWHM. The *x*-axis indicates the camera pixels (micrometres to pixels ratio 285:1024).

Transmission	Diode reading	Flux/ph/s	Flux density
(%)	(μΑ)		ph/s/mm <sup>2</sup>
100	339	8.78×10 <sup>11</sup>	1.12×10 <sup>14</sup>
1.97	6.69	1.73×10 <sup>10</sup>	2.20×10 <sup>12</sup>
1.00	3.39	8.8×10 <sup>9</sup>	1.12×10 <sup>12</sup>
0.50	1.68	4.35×10 <sup>9</sup>	5.54×10 <sup>11</sup>

**Table S1**Visit 1 at wavelength 0.6889 Å.

**Table S2**Visit 2 at wavelength 0.6889 Å.

Transmission	Diode reading	Flux/ph/s	Flux density
(%)	(μA)		ph/s/mm <sup>2</sup>
100	295	7.64×10 <sup>11</sup>	9.73×10 <sup>13</sup>
61.3	192	4.68×10 <sup>11</sup>	5.96×10 <sup>13</sup>
59.0	174	4.51×10 <sup>11</sup>	5.75×10 <sup>13</sup>
53.3	157	4.07×10 <sup>11</sup>	5.18×10 <sup>13</sup>
47.8	141	3.65×10 <sup>11</sup>	4.65×10 <sup>13</sup>
42.8	126	3.27×10 <sup>11</sup>	4.17×10 <sup>13</sup>
38.0	112	2.90×10 <sup>11</sup>	3.69×10 <sup>13</sup>
32.2	95.1	2.46×10 <sup>11</sup>	3.13×10 <sup>13</sup>
27.0	79.5	2.06×10 <sup>11</sup>	2.62×10 <sup>13</sup>
21.6	63.5	1.65×10 <sup>11</sup>	2.10×10 <sup>13</sup>
16.1	47.5	1.23×10 <sup>11</sup>	1.57×10 <sup>13</sup>
10.7	31.5	8.16×10 <sup>10</sup>	1.04×10 <sup>13</sup>
5.3	15.7	4.07×10 <sup>10</sup>	5.18×10 <sup>12</sup>
1.1	3.15	8.162×10 <sup>9</sup>	1.04×10 <sup>12</sup>

Transmission	Diode reading	Flux/ph/s	Flux density
(%)	(μΑ)		ph/s/mm <sup>2</sup>
100	490	1.036×10 <sup>12</sup>	1.32×10 <sup>14</sup>
24.7	121	2.558×10 <sup>11</sup>	3.26×10 <sup>13</sup>
5.47	26.8	5.665×10 <sup>10</sup>	7.22×10 <sup>12</sup>
1.22	5.99	1.266×10 <sup>10</sup>	1.61×10 <sup>12</sup>
0.64	3.125	6.605 ×10 <sup>9</sup>	8.41×10 <sup>11</sup>
0.27	1.33	2.811×10 <sup>9</sup>	3.58×10 <sup>11</sup>
0.06	0.303	6.404×10 <sup>8</sup>	8.16×10 <sup>10</sup>

## **Table S3**Visit 3 at wavelength 0.9028 Å.

**Table S4**Visit 4 at wavelength 0.6889 Å.

Transmission	Diode reading	Flux/ph/s	Flux density
(%)	(μΑ)		ph/s/mm <sup>2</sup>
100	318	8.239×10 <sup>11</sup>	1.05×10 <sup>14</sup>
65.4	208	5.389×10 <sup>11</sup>	6.86×10 <sup>13</sup>
55.0	175	4.534×10 <sup>11</sup>	5.78×10 <sup>13</sup>
44.0	140	3.627×10 <sup>11</sup>	4.62×10 <sup>13</sup>
32.7	104	2.625×10 <sup>11</sup>	3.34×10 <sup>13</sup>
21.8	69.5	1.80×10 <sup>11</sup>	2.29×10 <sup>13</sup>
10.7	34.1	8.835×10 <sup>10</sup>	1.13×10 <sup>13</sup>
1.1	3.38	8.757×10 <sup>9</sup>	1.12×10 <sup>12</sup>

Transmission	Diode reading	Flux/ph/s	Flux density
(%)	(μΑ)		ph/s/mm <sup>2</sup>
100	312	8.084×10 <sup>11</sup>	1.03×10 <sup>14</sup>
52.9	165	4.275×10 <sup>11</sup>	5.45×10 <sup>13</sup>
32.0	100	2.59×10 <sup>11</sup>	3.30×10 <sup>13</sup>
10.4	32.5	8.42×10 <sup>10</sup>	1.07×10 <sup>13</sup>
1.04	3.25	8.42×10 <sup>9</sup>	1.07×10 <sup>12</sup>

**Table S5**Visit 5 at wavelength 0.6889 Å.



**Figure S4** Comparison of calibration results from each visit. The significant visit-to-visit intensity variations illustrate the necessity to perform the calibration for each experiment.

## S2. Experiment overview

Visit	Experiment	Transmission	Wavelength	Temp	Size	Average DWD	Link to repository record containing raw data
		(%)	(Å)	(K)	(µm)	per scan (MGy)	and associated information
1	1	1	0.6889	100	55×10×10	0.63	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2592265
1	2	2	0.6889	100	50×10×10	1.27	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2551061
1	3	0.5	0.6889	100	50×8×8	0.32	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2552049
2	4	1	0.6889	100	25×10×5	0.57	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2553080
3	5	1	0.9028	100	30×5×5	0.79	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2556528
4	6	3	0.6889	30	50×8×6	1.90	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2557314
4	7	3	0.6889	60	40×12×8	1.92	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2587857
5	8	1	0.6889	120	50×10×10	0.60	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2591169
In-hous	e benchmark		0.71073	100	70×10×10	Not calculated	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.2591394

Table S6. Overview of the conditions for each experiment performed with a corresponding repository link to enable the download of the full raw data record.

For each experiment the raw diffraction images have been deposited in the Zenodo repository (https://zenodo.org/), with the specific data links to the corresponding record given in the table. The diffraction images are in CBF format, which is the community agreed exchange standard for diffraction data. It can be transformed into a number of other formats and read by processing software. The record also includes a CIF file containing the relevant beamline parameters, information about image format and suitable software for data processing.





Figure S5 Unit cell expansion as a function of dose (average DWD) for Experiment 1.



**Figure S6** Plot indicating the value of  $CC_{1/2}$  developing as a function of dose. The diffraction limit is calculated based on the point at which  $CC_{1/2}$ , which is a correlation coefficient for anomalous differences and equivalent mean intensities, <I>, between two halves of a randomly split dataset, falls below a threshold (the default value used in the XIA2 software used for this work is 0.3).



**Figure S7.** The effect of beam intensity on resolution decay rate. Experiments 1 and 4 were performed at 1% beam transmission, Experiment 2 at 2% beam and Experiment 3 at 0.5% beam transmission.



**Figure S8** The effect of temperature on sample decay rate. Experiment 8 was performed at 120K, Experiment 1 at 100K, Experiment 7 at 60K and Experiment 6 at 30K.



**Figure S9** The effect of incident beam energy (wavelength). Experiments 1 and 4 were performed at 0.6889 Å and Experiment 5 at 0.9028 Å. The detector angular acceptance limits the initial resolution therefore differs for the two wavelengths.