## XRD-5

## X-ray diffractometer

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# Monochromators

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- Problems caused by polychromatic nature of diffracted beam & variability of angular dispersion
- ➤ XRD pattern from multiple wavelength, or that from unknown wavelength → difficulty in interpreting the pattern
- Why monochromatic beam is wanted? we want to obtain experimental pattern from a single wavelength
- Monochromatization by reducing the intensity of white radiation & by eliminating undesirable characteristic wavelengths from X-ray spectrum
  - ✓ β filter
  - ✓ Diffracted beam monochromator
  - ✓ Primary beam monochromator
  - ✓ Pulse height selection using proportional counter
  - ✓ Use of solid state detector (high resolution energy resolving detector)

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#### Parallel beam geometry can be used for

- > analysis of samples with non-flat surfaces, e.g. corrosion on pipes
- samples you would prefer not to grind to a powder, e.g. jewelry, archaeology or forensic samples



Sodalite Bracelet



Vesuvianite Pebble

- measure thermal expansion and contraction when using the heating/cooling stage
- > grazing incidence diffraction (GID) of layers on substrates
- reflectometry for thin film thickness and roughness

http://www.csec.ed.ac.uk/Instruments/D8\_diffractometer/D8\_parallel-beam.html















### Microdiffraction





### Forensic Application > Fatal Bicycle Accident Collection of Evidence

