

MERIT internship (overseas) report  
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**Period**

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**Company**

Scienta Omicron AB (Uppsala, Sweden)

**Overview**

To develop new photoelectron detectors and analyzers for Angle-resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ARPES) measurements, I stayed in Scienta Omicron. Scienta Omicron provides solutions and technologies for research in surface science and nanotechnology. Especially, it is famous for detectors and analyzers used in ARPES measurements.

**Activity**

I mainly did investigations for new photoelectron detectors, although I cannot write about details of this project because of non-disclosure agreement with the company. I compared several measurement principles and estimated physical parameters, such as measurement errors and sizes of apparatus. I joined the discussion with professionals of electron optics or production, as a professional of condensed matter physics and a user of the instruments. Finally, we made an internal presentation on summary of discussion. We confirmed that it is a promising project, and we will continue it.

I also tested and evaluated a deflector-type photoelectron analyzer, which enables measurements without the sample rotation, with an electron gun. Other than that, I tested a new software for measurements, and made feedbacks for manuals of new instruments.

**Impression**

During my stay, I was impressed by a stress-free and concentrated atmosphere in the company. Employees are friendly to each other regardless

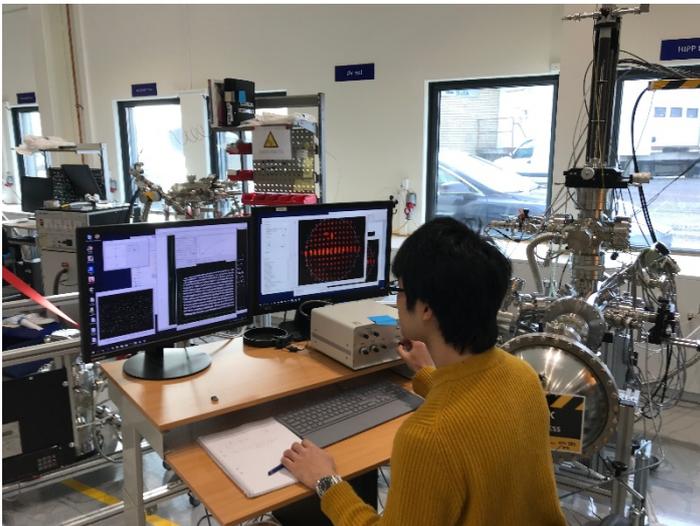
of their positions, and there are coffee times (fika) every day which almost everyone participates. I could concentrate on work because working time between rests is less than three hours. I felt working efficiency is very high.

I also use photoelectron detectors and analyzers in my research, and I learned a lot from instrumental point of view. We will keep in touch and discuss proceedings of developments, including possibility of user-site test of detectors in ISSP.

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