



## **The unique experimental research facility in MENA and neighboring region**

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SESAME stand for: Synchrotron-light for Experimental Science and Applications in the Middle East (SESAME)

A 3rd Generation Light Source, SESAME has state-of-the-art infrastructure which designed to enable the Scientific Research in the region for designated users communities



## Light sources of the world

There are more than 50 light sources in the world (operational, or under construction). This page lists all the members of the lightsources.org collaboration.



**50.000 users, the largest scientific community in the world**

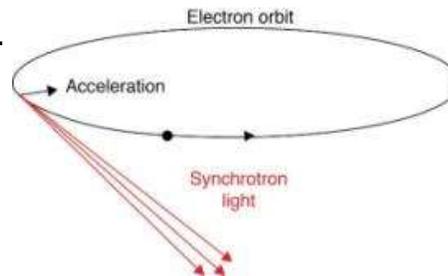
**Over 50 light sources world wide, SESAME is the only one on MEAN and ME**

# History and Milestones



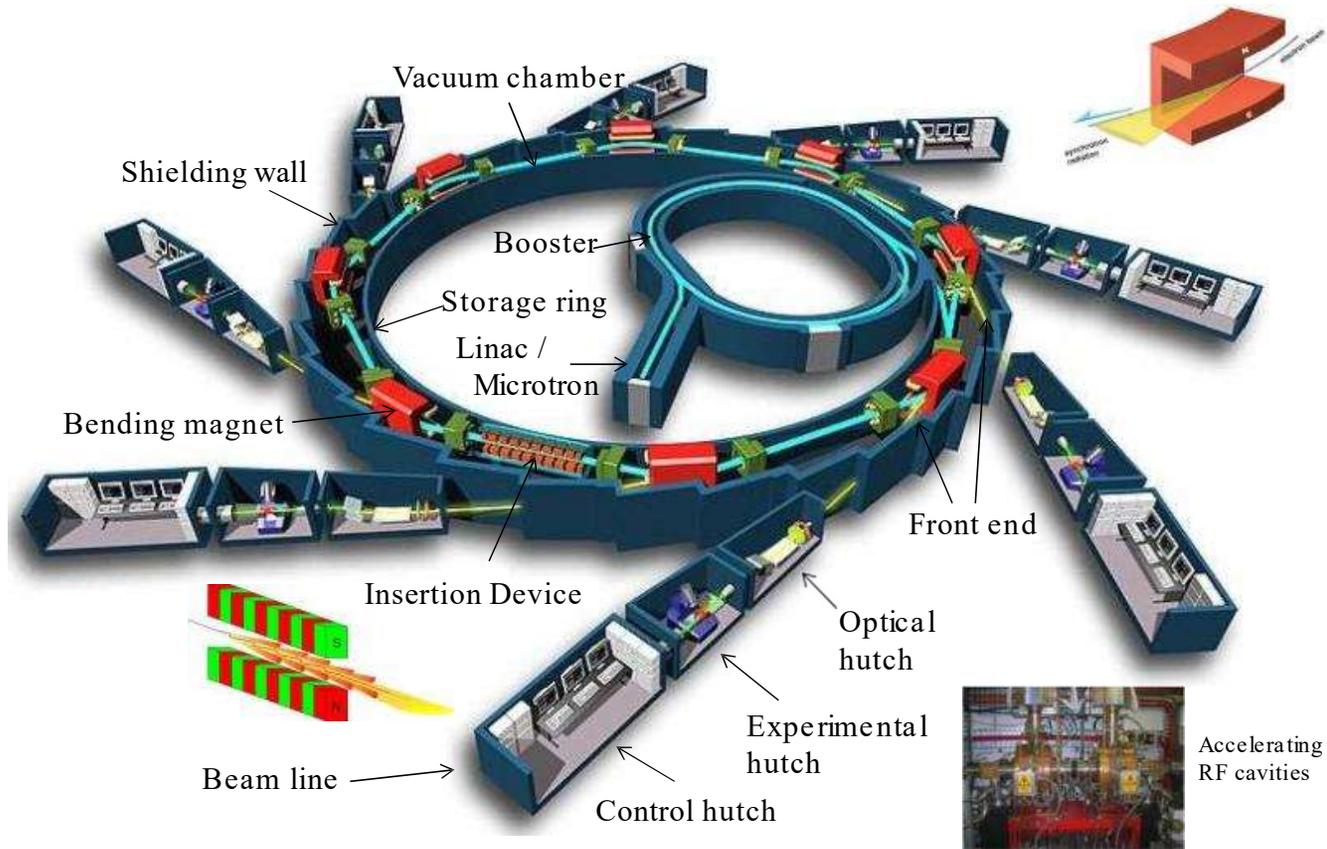
## How is Synchrotron Radiation Produced?

- When electrons are accelerated (e.g. in a radio transmitter antenna), part of the energy in the electromagnetic force field that surrounds them is 'shaken off' and emitted as electromagnetic radiation (e.g. radio waves).
- As their trajectories are deflected, electrons in circular motion in a synchrotron also undergo acceleration, directed towards the centre of the circle, and emit radiation.

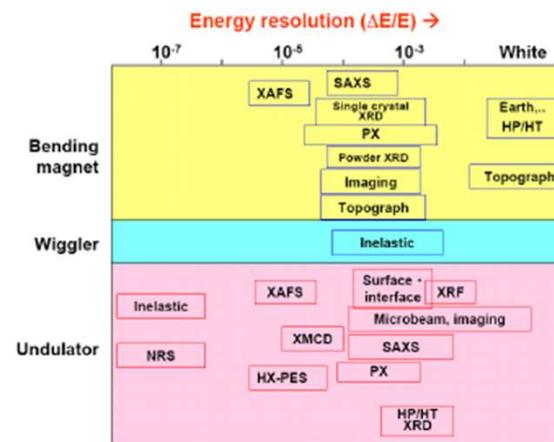
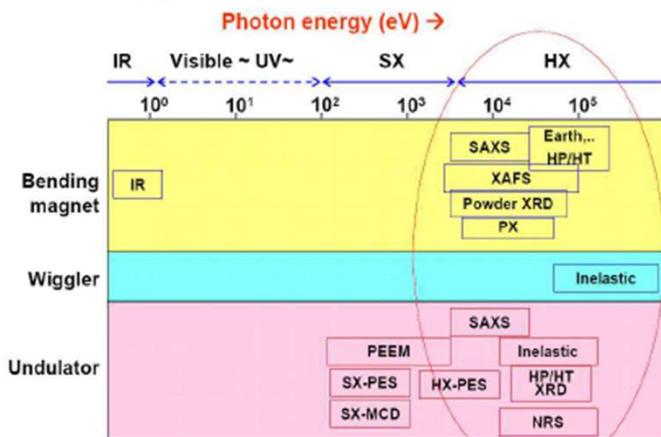
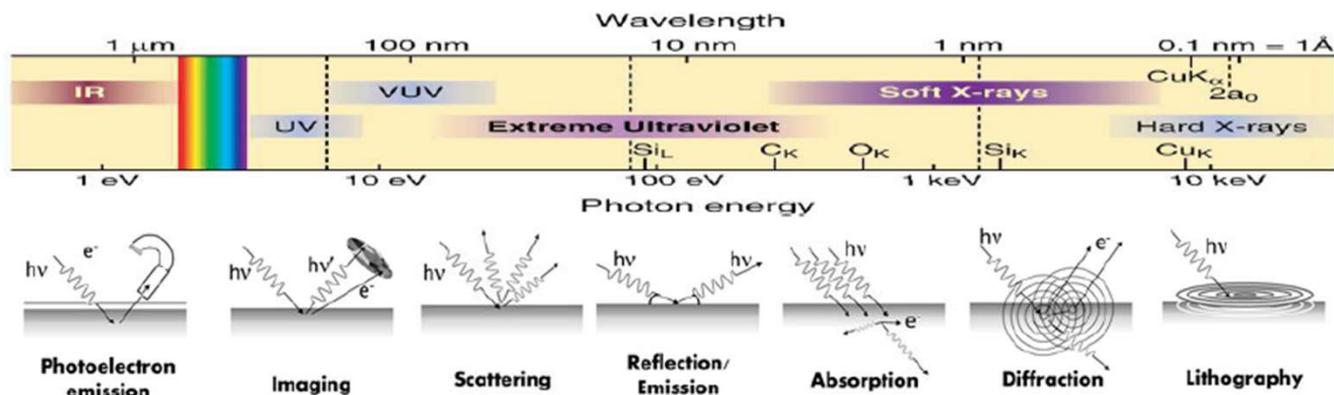


*The electromagnetic field surrounding the electrons is unable to respond instantaneously when the electrons are deflected; some of the energy in the field keeps going, producing a tangential cone of synchrotron radiation. As the electrons' energy increases, the cone of radiation narrows, and the radiated power goes up dramatically.*

# General Structure of a Synchrotron Light Source



# Typical Synchrotron Researches



Different techniques need different photon energy

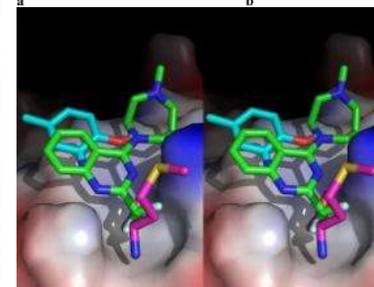
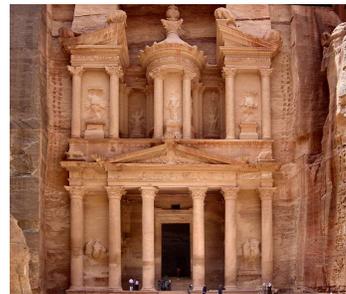
Most of the techniques need good energy resolution

Very wide energy and wide required energy resolution



# Research Scientific areas

- Life Sciences
- Material Science & Physics
- Chemical Sciences
- Cultural Heritage & Archeology Applications



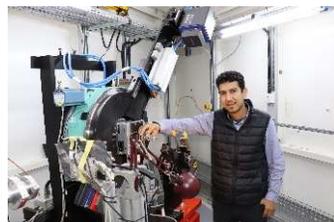
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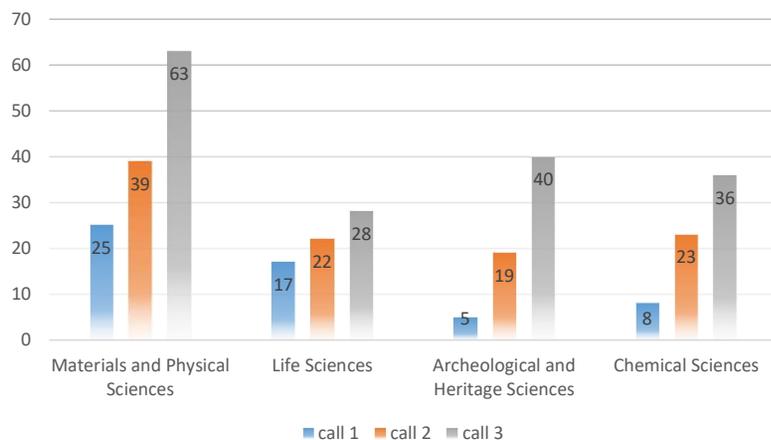
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**BM02  
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XAFS/XRF**

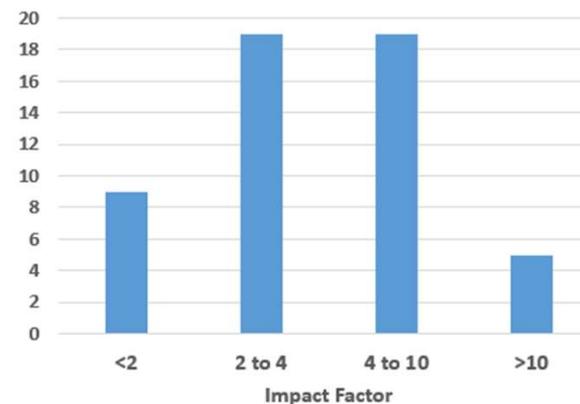
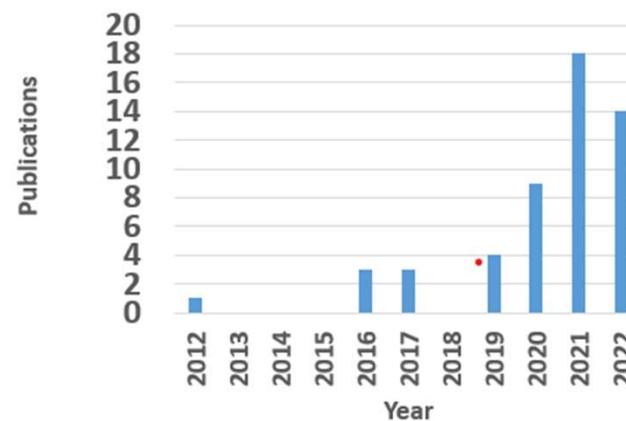
**ID09  
MS**



**CFP 1,2 and 3: 461 proposals from 27 coun**

**Call 4, CFP Just closed on 30 June 2022  
Now it is under scientific and technical  
evaluation process**

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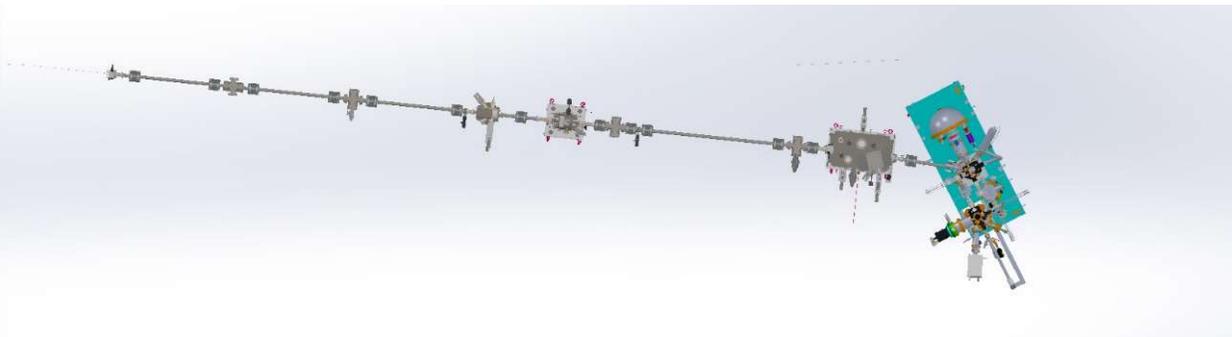




**ID10 - BEATS  
BEAmline for Tomography at SESAME (2022)**



**ID11 left – HESEB  
Helmholtz-SESAME Beamline (2022)  
Inaugurated on June 12, 2022**



**ID11 right – TXPES  
Türkiye X-ray PhotoEmission  
Spectroscopy Beamline (2023)**





## Computing Services to the community (open-source)

**use, distribute, modify, or contribute back to a project**

- Computing infrastructure for Machine, Beamlines and Offices (DNS, DHCP, Hosting, LADP, Nagios, Elog, EPICS, ...)
- SESAME Users Office portal( Call for proposals CFP, Beam-time)
  - <https://sup.sesame.org.jo>
- SESAME Experimental Data (SED) management ( Next slide)
- Community code for:
  - Data Acquisition system, in-house python development
  - Data analysis, community-driven repo per research filed
- HPC clusters (CPU/GPU)
  - OpenHPC is a set of community-driven tools for Linux based HPC
- Data transfer, high-end storage and remote access
  - Private cloud, SSL tunneling, X2Go/NX, ssh gateway, and many...



X2Go



**SESAME Datacentre is Powered by many open-source software apps**



## Computing Services to the community(cont.)

### **ICAT and SESAME Experimental Data (SED)**

under implementation and adaptation to cover the following:

1. **Meta Data: All Data Comes from SUP (SESAME USER PORTAL) contain the user names, Emails, User group, Proposal Number.... ETC.**
2. **Scientific Data: All Data comes from the beamlines: XSAFS, IR, MS, HESEB, and BEATS**
3. **Enable the web-based access to SESAME Experimental Data (SED)**

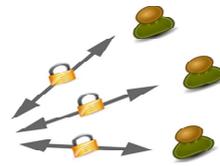


## IT challenges on research environment

- Computing is playing a vital role on enabling research operations and experimental data production. So we use High-end HW for availability, and lot of man-power effort to adapt legacy/custom-made Scientific tools on the IT infra
- Connectivity become essential and like the nerve to the body
- HPC operation for remote users (CPU/GPU) for data analysis
- Linux distribution and open-source repo maintainer : define and apply global plan for the institute
- COVID - new trigger and community-driven: global requirements to enable and deliver free remote control and access to the experiments + Video conferencing tool

# SESAME is enabling the Remote experiment and experimental data management

## ICAT: web service interface



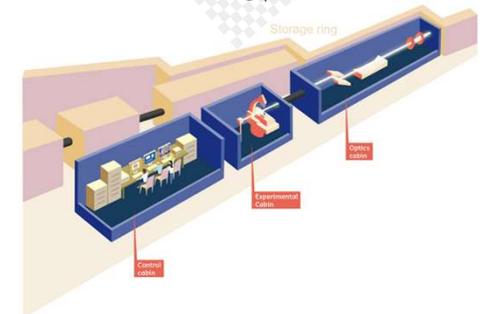
SED Storage

SED server

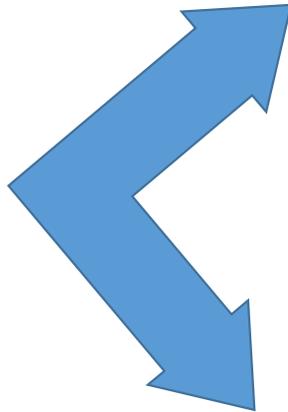
Users get their  
SED Data via ICAT,  
with the applied  
Data Policy

## Beamlines

Data acquisition system  
Detectors output...



Users execute  
remote  
experiment. via  
NoMachine



- ✓ External User register at (SUP)
- ✓ SUP=SESAME User Portal
- ✓ <https://sup.sesame.org.jo>
- ✓ User submit a proposal
- ✓ Proposal Granted a Beamtime



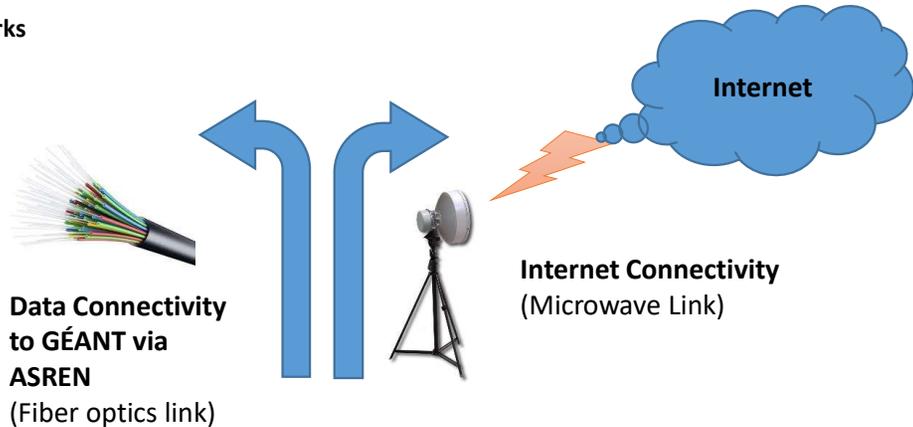
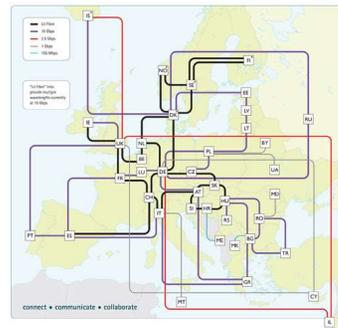
# Data Connectivity International Access to Education & Research Networks

## World wide Education & Research Networks

**International circuit to GÉANT**(pan-European data network for the research and education ) via ASREN.

Connectivity service contract:

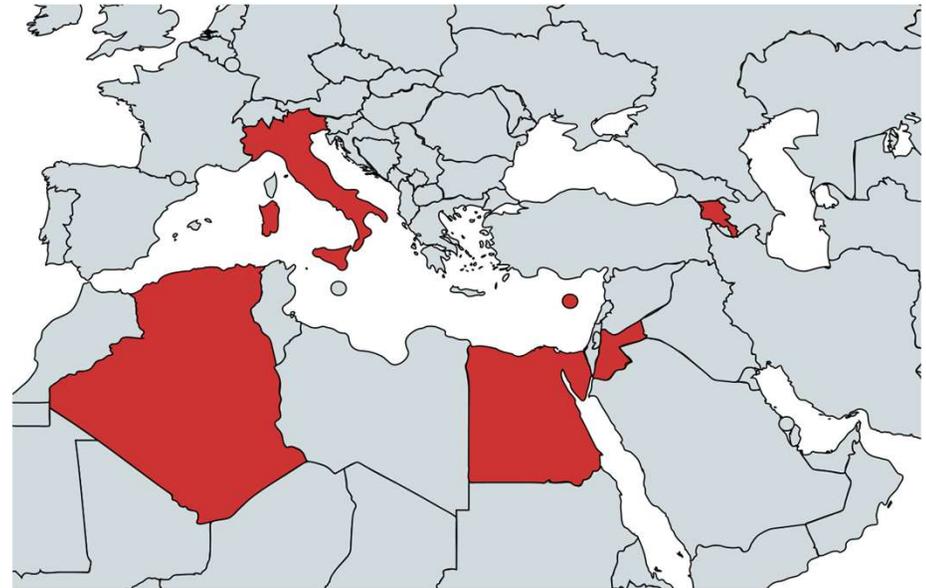
- 1000 Mbps Circuit over fiber connectivity
- 250 ++ Mbps Internet (shared with ASREN clients)
- Operational since: July 2016





## Access to HPC systems and Scientific Computing Research @SESAME [Regional]

- Jordan university of science and technology, JUST, Jordan
- The University of Jordan, Jordan
- Jerash University, Jordan
- National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Armenia  
NAS RA, Armenia
- The Cyprus Institute, Cyl, Cyprus
- International Centre for Theoretical Physics, ICTP, Italy
- Supreme Council of Universities-Egypt, Egypt
- University of Laghouat, Algeria



## Why Build a Synchrotron Facility?

- International collaboration is obvious way for countries with relatively small scientific communities and/or limited science budgets to build a synchrotron-light source.
- Broad programs make synchrotron-light sources ideal facilities for building scientific capacity.
- SESAME is a user facility: scientists will typically go to SESAME two or three times a year for a week or two to carry out experiments, in collaboration with scientists from other institutions/countries.





# African Synchrotron light

- African synchrotron light <https://www.africanlightsource.org/>

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