

IMRI Recharge Rates and Policies

Please follow the instrument usage policy <https://imri.uci.edu/information/policies/> to use the instruments

IMRI has a “YOU BREAK IT, YOU BUY IT” policy if you cause damage to any IMRI instrument or equipment.

Training certification is required before use of any IMRI instrument or facility.

The rates for each instrument are detailed below.

On-peak hours are from 8am to 8pm during workdays.

Off-peak hours are from 8 pm to 8 am during workdays and anytime on Saturday, Sunday, and national holidays.

Usage Rates

The Irvine Materials Research Institute has 3 facility locations: Calit2 Building (1302, 1322, 1301 and 2423), Engineering Hall (1121, 1131, 1141, 1151 and 1150) and Engineering Tower (140).

	UC Users	Other Academic Users	Industry Users
Training, per hour per person	\$42	\$54.60	\$120.00
Staff Technical Assistance	\$75.00	\$97.50	\$225.00
Consumable Materials and Supplies	Cost plus 50%	Cost plus 50%	Cost plus 50%
Quarterly charge for IMRI resources which are not listed below, including but not limited to sample prep instruments, data servers and computers (per person per quarter)	\$157	\$204.10	\$450.00
Instruments			
LEXI-FEI Magellan 400 SEM (On-Peak)	\$47	\$61.10	\$135.00
LEXI-FEI Magellan 400 SEM (Off-Peak)	\$31	\$40.30	\$90.00
LEXI-FEI Quanta 3D SEM/FIB (On-Peak)	\$45	\$58.50	\$135.00
LEXI-FEI Quanta 3D SEM/FIB (Off-Peak)	\$30	\$39.00	\$90.00
LEXI-Rigaku SmartLab	\$11	\$14.30	\$33.00
LEXI-Rigaku Ultima III	\$11	\$14.30	\$33.00
SSF-Kratos AXIS-SUPRA (On-Peak)	\$32	\$41.60	\$96.00
SSF-Kratos AXIS-SUPRA (Off-Peak)	\$21	\$27.30	\$63.00
SSF-Kratos AXIS-SUPRA Glove Box	\$5	\$6.50	\$15.00

LEXI-Vibrometer	\$20	\$26.00	\$60.00
LEXI-Angstrom_Evaporator (On-Peak)	\$15	\$19.50	\$45.00
LEXI-Angstrom_Evaporator (Off-Peak)	\$10	\$13.00	\$30.00
LEXI-Angstrom_Evaporator Glove Box	\$5	\$6.50	\$15.00
SBT IBS/e	\$20	\$26.00	\$60.00
CTEM-Tescan_SEM_FIB (On-Peak)	\$47	\$61.10	\$135.00
CTEM-Tescan_SEM_FIB (Off-Peak)	\$31	\$40.30	\$90.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-2800 TEM (On-Peak)	\$57	\$74.10	\$147.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-2800 TEM (Off-Peak)	\$38	\$49.40	\$99.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-2100F TEM (On-Peak)	\$52	\$67.60	\$147.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-2100F TEM (Off-Peak)	\$36	\$46.80	\$99.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-300CF TEM (On-Peak)	\$64	\$83.20	\$180.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-300CF TEM (Off-Peak)	\$43	\$55.90	\$120.00
CTEM-Nion UltraSTEM HERMES200 (On-Peak)	\$55	\$71.50	\$180.00
CTEM-Nion UltraSTEM HERMES200 (Off-Peak)	\$37	\$47.67	\$120.00
CTEM-Fischione Nanomill	\$16	\$20.80	\$48.00
CTEM-PIPSII	\$16	\$20.80	\$48.00
CTEM-LEICA sputter coater 200/600*	\$12	\$15.60	\$36.00
CTEM-Leica Ultramicrotome	\$20	\$26.00	\$60.00
CTEM-LEICA GP	\$32	\$41.60	\$96.00
CTEM-Phillips CM-20 (On-Peak)	\$40	\$52.00	\$120.00
CTEM-Phillips CM-20 (Off-Peak)	\$27	\$35.10	\$79.50
CTEM-Phillips XL-30 (On-Peak)	\$40	\$52.00	\$120.00
CTEM-Phillips XL-30 (Off-Peak)	\$27	\$35.10	\$79.50
TEMPR-ICP-MS	\$32	\$41.60	\$96.00
TEMPR-FlashSmart CHNS/O	\$30	\$39.00	\$90.00
TEMPR-Micromeritics AccuPyc	\$10	\$13.00	\$30.00
TEMPR-Micromeritics 3Flex	\$7	\$9.10	\$21.00
TEMPR-Waters APC	\$19	\$24.70	\$57.00

TEMPR-STA-QMS-FTIR	\$11	\$14.30	\$33.00
TEMPR-Netzsch DSC Polyma	\$9	\$11.70	\$27.00
TEMPR-Netzsch TGA Libra	\$9	\$11.70	\$27.00
TEMPR-TA DHR-2 Rheometer	\$5	\$6.50	\$15.00
TEMPR-TA DSC 2500	\$9	\$11.70	\$27.00
TEMPR-TA DSC Q2000	\$9	\$11.70	\$27.00
TEMPR-TA TGA Q500	\$5	\$6.50	\$15.00
TEMPR-TA DMA Q800	\$6	\$7.80	\$18.00
TEMPR-Instron UTS	\$5	\$6.50	\$15.00
Hitachi SEM (On-Peak)	\$40	\$52.00	\$120.00
Hitachi SEM (Off-Peak)	\$27	\$35.10	\$81.00
Anton-Paar-AFM	\$20	\$26.00	\$60.00
MC2-Olympus BX53M Microscope	\$5	\$6.50	\$15.00
CTEM-Leica Critical Point Dryer	\$15	\$19.50	\$45.00
Broad Ion Beam Milling System	\$5	\$6.50	\$15.00
LEXI-EMS150T sputter coater*	\$12	\$15.60	\$36.00
Thermo-Fisher Axia ChemiSEM (On-Peak)	\$40	\$52.00	\$120.00
Thermo-Fisher Axia ChemiSEM (Off-Peak)	\$27	\$35.10	\$81.00
CTEM-TF Glacioscryo-TEM, on-peak	\$55	\$71.50	\$165.00
CTEM-TF Glacioscryo-TEM, off-peak	\$37	\$47.67	\$110.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-2200FS TEM, on-peak	\$53	\$68.90	\$147.00
CTEM-JEOL JEM-2200FS TEM, off-peak	\$36	\$46.80	\$99.00
Leica EM FC7 cryo-ultramicrotome	\$25	\$32.50	\$75.00
TEMPR-EasyXAFS	\$20	\$26.00	\$60.00
TEMPR-Shimadzu EDX-7000	\$20.00	\$26.00	\$60.00
Special TEM holders (per session)	\$12.00	\$15.60	\$36.00
NT-MDT AFM	\$20.00	\$26.00	\$60.00
NOTES			
All rates are per hour unless indicated otherwise. Usage time is rounded to the next nearest half hour.			

Users who fail to cancel their reservation and do not show up for their reserved session will be charged for 100% of the reserved time at the full rate.	
Users who show up but use only most of their reserved time will be charged for 50% of any unused time in excess of 0.5 hours. Gross/repeated abuse of this rule may result in 100% of the unused time being charged at the full rate.	
Basic/group training has a special recharge rate for all instruments. During any subsequent required one-on-one training, users must pay for both the instrument time and the staff time, but the first hour of staff time is free of charge.	
During normal usage, technical assistance-related charges may be applied if users need assistance for more than 0.5 hours. Please note, <i>staff-run projects for all user groups are charged as on-peak instrument time plus staff time.</i>	
No charges will be applied to any reserved session when the instrument is down or under service.	
There is no charge for unused time resulting from an instrument malfunction or poor instrument performance (performance below spec), but the user must notify the appropriate IMRI staff person at the time of the instrument problem. Otherwise, normal charges will apply.	
Users who cause an instrument to go down (i.e., break, cease to function normally) by failing to follow the standard operating procedure (SOP) or due to other negligence may be charged for the full amount of any unused time in their session.	
For all transmission electron microscope (TEM) reservations: Users may cancel a reservation for any reason free of charge up to 72 hours before the start of their reserved time. Users who wish to cancel a TEM reservation less than 72 hours before the start of their reserved time must contact the IMRI staff member in charge of the instrument to explain the reason(s) for the cancellation. At the staff member's discretion (after accounting for legitimate emergencies, etc.), the user may be assessed a late cancellation charge as follows:	
Time of Cancellation	Charge to User
72-48 hours beforehand	50% of the reserved time not used by another user
48-24 hours beforehand	75% of the reserved time not used by another user
<24 hours beforehand	100% of the reserved time not used by another user
Gross/repeated abuse of this rule by a user may result in 100% of the unused time being charged at the full rate for cancellations made less than 72 hours prior to the start of the reservation.	
For all non-TEM instrument reservations: Users may cancel a reservation for any reason free of charge from 1 hour after making the reservation to 24 hours before the start of their reserved time. Users who wish to cancel a reservation less than 24 hours before the start of their reserved time must contact the IMRI staff member in charge of that instrument to explain the reason(s) for the cancellation. At the staff member's discretion (after accounting for legitimate emergencies, etc.), a late cancellation charge of 50% (for first-time offenders) or 100% (for repeat offenders) of all the reserved time that is not used by another user may be assessed.	
* Sputter coater usage is charged for one deposition of 5nm thick film, typically less than 0.5 hr for ACE 200 and EMS T150 and one hour for ACE 600.	

