

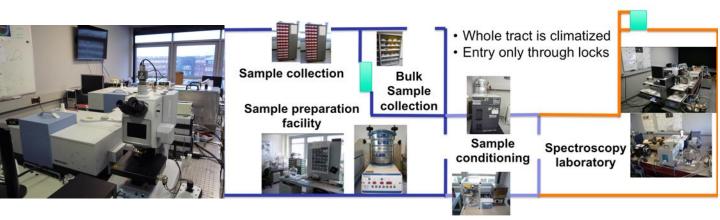




The Planetary Spectroscopy Laboratory (PSL)

Joint Lab of Geo.X partner Institution DLR

The Planetary Spectroscopy Laboratory (**PSL**) provides spectral measurements in **reflection, transmission and emission** of terrestrial materials, meteorites, synthetic samples as well as technical materials like e.g. coatings from the ultra-violet to the far-infrared range. Measurements can be **performed under atmosphere and vacuum over a wide temperature range (-100°C – 600°C).**



<u>Services offered by the infrastructure</u>: in air-conditioned room, **3 identical FTIR instruments Bruker Vertex 80V** (high-end model) that can be evacuated to ~.1 mbar are operating. The instruments share many optical devices to cover a very wide spectral range.

Spectrometers and accessory units are **automatized** and data **calibration and reduction** are made with **quality controlled DLR software**.

External simulation chambers are attached to each of the instruments for emissivity measurements. One chamber allows emissivity measurements from 0.7 to 200 μm under vacuum for sample temperatures from 320K to above 900K, using an innovative induction system. The second chamber is purged with dry air and water cooled to ≤270K to allowing emissivity measurements of samples with surface temperature from 290 to 420K. A liquid nitrogen cooled sample holder allows measurements on cryogenic and ice samples.

The **Bruker FT-IR Microscope HYPERION2000** has a high-quality design, including all optical, mechanical, and electronic components, to provide **high stability and reliability, for reflectance and transmission microscopy**.

To investigate samples at **temperatures from -196 to 600°C**, a Linkam THM600 stage is used. To support the laboratory activities a **sample preparation** laboratory with a **dedicated technician** is available.

PSL has a large collection of hundreds of rocks and minerals, synthetic minerals, Apollo 16 lunar sample, and meteorites.

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PSL is a facility offered to Geo.X partners. Guests visiting the facility under this program will have full access to the spectroscopy laboratory, sample collection, and preparation facility and will be followed/instructed from our experienced technicians and scientific collaborators.

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