

# THE ALBA SYNCHROTRON LIGHT SOURCE

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## Introduction

ALBA is a 3rd generation Synchrotron Light Source located near Barcelona (Spain).

To produce the synchrotron light, three accelerators are needed:

1. 100 MeV LINAC

- 2. Full energy Booster
- 3. 3.0 GeV Storage Ring

The nominal current of the Storage is 250 mA. **Emittance (nm.rad)** The present working current is 130 mA.

	Linac	Booster	Storage ring
Energy [GeV]	0.1	0.1-3	3
Circunference (m)		249	269
Current [mA]	1 nC	0.1 - 0.8	130
Lifetime [h]			23



Construction started in 2004 and since May 2012 ALBA is open to users.

At this moment 8 BLs are open for users.

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Betatron tune Qx	 12.26	18.155
Betatron tune Qy	 7.38	8.362
Dipole field (T)	 0.873	1.42

### The accelerators chain



Electrons are extracted from a thermoionic cathode and accelerated up to 100 MeV.



The Booster increases the energy of the electrons from 100 MeV to 3 GeV.

### **Present machine status**

Injecting in Top-up mode, every 20min up to 130mA

- 8 BLs are opened to users
- 1 Diagnostic
- 1 BL in construction
- 1 BL in design

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Synchrotron light from different sources:

• 2 Bending magnets



The Storage Ring keeps the electrons at 3GeV with the help of RF.

- 2 In-Vacuum Undulator
- 1 Superconducting Wiggler
- 1 Multiple Wiggler
- 2 Elliptical Undulator

### **Operation at ALBA-CELLS**





- During operation for the beamlines, the machine runs 24h per day, 7 days per week.
- 7 operators do shifts of 8 hours to control the good quality and stability of beam.
- 5700 h of operation 2016
  - 75% of beam for BLs
  - 25% of beam for Machine studies



- OPERATOR main tasks:
- Operate the accelerators
- Maintenance tasks of accelerators

1.80

1.50



MTTR: 1.04 h

#### Support at different subsystems:

- Linac & EPS (M. Sos)
- Klystron & Magnets maintenance
- Pulsed Magnets (N. Ayala)
- Maintenance tasks

- Collaboration in machine studies.
- Operation GUIs and software
- Statistics,...
- Other support tasks:
- RF, Magnets, Diagnostics, ...
- Mechanical designs
- Controls
- Radiological Protection,...

MTBF: 48.85 h



#### Beam availability: 97.86%



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- Procedures & manuals development
- Technical support in upgrades.





- Improvements
- Problems Solutions



