

Charging Schedule

The HarwellXPS facility acts as a centre for the UK XPS community, a provider of state of the art techniques and as a national training centre.

Previously, such national facilities have been free at point-of-use, however in line with the new model for all EPSRC National Facilities a charging system is now in place. You should now request such costs on research proposals.

A key point for those planning research proposals to the EPSRC is that the access charges do **NOT** add to the FEC cost of your grant (we are listed on Je-S under Research Council Facilities). As ever, the first step of any application is to have a conversation with the Facility staff, where we can advise and estimate costs.

We encourage all interested researchers to contact the XPS Facility in the first instance for an estimate of costs and how many 'units' will be required.

Cost Schedule

User category	Charge per hour (inc VAT)			
	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020-2022
First time academic user [§]	P	P		
First 24 hours	E	E	£0	£0
Subsequent hours on first visit	R	R	£20	£25
CDT students ^{§§}	I	I	£17.50	£20
Academic User	O	O		
With EPSRC grants	D	D	£20	£25
Without EPSRC grants			£25	£25
Block allocation proposal	E	E	£16	£25
Referred from DLS or CLF	N	N	£16	£25
Spoke services	D	D		
NAP experiment (5 days)	E	E	£1560	£1560
HAXPS (1 day)	D	D	£312	£312

[§]PI has not used the HarwellXPS facility previously

^{§§}Application including CDT student as an investigator. Must be related to the CDT student's project, as attested by the CDT manager.

We reiterate that charging users, as for all EPSRC National Facilities, is a new model for the national XPS facility, therefore **we reserve the right to alter these charges**. Our firm ambition is for the facility to move towards sustainability, so we will where necessary, alter the charges to ensure sufficient income is generated.

NOTE: The MINIMUM charge for analysis is £50 excluding VAT