

03-SC-002, Project Engineering Design (PED), Linac Coherent Light Source, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center

(Changes from the FY 2003 Congressional Budget Request are denoted with a vertical line in the left margin.)

Significant Changes

The Total Estimated Cost has increased by \$2,500,000 due to FY 2004 fiscal constraints that deferred some design work from FY 2004 to FY 2005.

1. Construction Schedule History

	Fiscal Quarter				Total Estimated Cost ^a (\$000)
	A-E Work Initiated	A-E Work Completed	Physical Construction Start	Physical Project Complete	
FY 2003 Budget Request (Preliminary Estimate)	1Q 2003	2Q 2005	N/A	N/A	\$33,500
FY 2004 Budget Request (Current Estimate)	1Q 2003	4Q 2006	N/A	N/A	\$36,000

2. Financial Schedule

(dollars in thousands)

Fiscal Year	Appropriations	Obligations	Costs
2003	6,000	6,000	5,500
2004	7,500	7,500	7,000
2005	20,000	20,000	21,000
2006	2,500	2,500	2,500

3. Project Description, Justification and Scope

These funds allow the Linac Coherent Light Source (LCLS), located at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC), to proceed from conceptual design into preliminary design (Title I) and definitive design (Title II). The design effort will be sufficient to assure project feasibility, define the scope, provide detailed estimates of construction costs based on the approved design, working drawings and specifications, and provide construction schedules including procurements. The design effort will ensure that construction can physically start or long-lead procurement items can be procured in the fiscal year in which Title III construction activities are funded.

^a The full TEC Projection (design and construction) ranges between \$200,000,000 and \$240,000,000. This is a preliminary estimate based on conceptual data and should not be construed as a project baseline.

The purpose of the LCLS Project is to provide laser-like radiation in the x-ray region of the spectrum that is 10 billion times greater in peak power and peak brightness than any existing coherent x-ray light source. This advance in brightness is similar to that of a synchrotron over a 1960's laboratory x-ray tube. Synchrotrons revolutionized science across disciplines ranging from atomic physics to structural biology. Advances from the LCLS are expected to be equally dramatic. The LCLS Project will provide the first demonstration of an x-ray free-electron-laser (FEL) in the 1.5 – 15 Angstrom range and will apply these extraordinary, high-brightness x-rays to an initial set of scientific problems. This will be the world's first such facility.

The LCLS is based on the existing SLAC linac. The SLAC linac can accelerate electrons or positrons to 50 GeV for colliding beams experiments and for nuclear and high-energy physics experiments on fixed targets. At present, the first two-thirds of the linac is being used to inject electrons and positrons into PEP-II, and the entire linac is used for fixed target experiments. When the LCLS is completed, this latter activity will be limited to 30 percent of the available beam time and the last one-third of the linac will be available for the LCLS a minimum of 70 percent of the available beam time. For the LCLS, the linac will produce high-brightness 5 - 15 GeV electron bunches at a 120 Hz repetition rate. When traveling through the new 120-meter long LCLS undulator, these electron bunches will amplify the emitted x-ray radiation to produce an intense, coherent x-ray beam for scientific research.

The LCLS makes use of technologies developed for the SLAC and the next generation of linear colliders, as well as the progress in the production of intense electron beams with radio-frequency photocathode guns. These advances in the creation, compression, transport, and monitoring of bright electron beams make it possible to base this next generation of x-ray synchrotron radiation sources on linear accelerators rather than on storage rings.

The LCLS will have properties vastly exceeding those of current x-ray sources (both synchrotron radiation light sources and so-called "table-top" x-ray lasers) in three key areas: peak brightness, coherence (i.e., laser like properties), and ultrashort pulses. The peak brightness of the LCLS is 10 billion times greater than current synchrotrons, providing 10^{12} - 10^{13} x-ray photons in a pulse with duration of 230 femtoseconds. These characteristics of the LCLS will open new realms of scientific applications in the chemical, material, and biological sciences. The LCLS Scientific Advisory Committee, working in coordination with the broad scientific community, identified high priority initial experiments that are summarized in the document, *LCLS: The First Experiments*. These first five areas of experimentation are: fundamental studies of the interaction of intense x-ray pulses with simple atomic systems; use of the LCLS to create warm dense matter and plasmas; structural studies on single nanoscale particles and biomolecules; ultrafast dynamics in chemistry and solid-state physics; and studies of nanoscale structure and dynamics in condensed matter.

The experiments fall into two classes. The first follows the traditional role of x-rays to probe matter without modifying it while the second utilizes the phenomenal intensity of the LCLS to excite matter in fundamentally new ways and to create new states in extreme conditions. The fundamental studies of the interactions of intense x-rays with simple atomic systems are necessary to lay the foundation for all interactions of the LCLS pulse with atoms embedded in molecules and condensed matter. The structural studies of individual particles or molecules make use of recent advances in imaging techniques for reconstructing molecular structures from diffraction patterns of non-crystalline samples. The enormous photon flux of the LCLS may make it feasible to determine the structure of a *single* biomolecule or

small nanocrystal using only the diffraction pattern from a single moiety. This application has enormous potential in structural biology, particularly for important systems such as membrane proteins, which are virtually uncharacterized by x-ray crystallography because they are nearly impossible to crystallize. The last two sets of experiments make use of the extremely short pulse of the LCLS to follow dynamical processes in chemistry and condensed matter physics in real time. The use of ultrafast x-rays will open up entire new regimes of spatial and temporal resolution to both techniques.

The proposed LCLS Project requires a 150 MeV injector to be built at Sector 20 of the 30-sector SLAC linac to create the electron beam required for the x-ray FEL. The last one-third of the linac will be modified by adding two magnetic bunch compressors. Most of the linac and its infrastructure will remain unchanged. The existing components in the Final Focus Test Beam tunnel will be removed and replaced by a new 120-meter undulator and associated equipment. Two new experimental buildings, the Near Hall and the Far Hall will be constructed. They will be connected by the beam line tunnel, and the Far Hall will provide laboratory and office space for LCLS users.

4. Details of Cost Estimate^a

(dollars in thousands)

	Current Estimate	Previous Estimate
Design Phase		
Preliminary and Final Design costs (Design Drawings and Specifications)	26,000	25,125
Design Management costs	5,000	5,025
Project Management costs.....	5,000	3,350
Total Design Costs	36,000	33,500
Total, Line Item Costs (TEC)	36,000	33,500

5. Method of Performance

A Conceptual Design Report (CDR) for the project has been completed and reviewed. Key design activities will be identified in the areas of the injector, undulator, x-ray optics and experimental halls that will reduce the risk of the project and accelerate the startup. Also, the management systems for the project will be put in place and proven during the Project Engineering Design (PED) phase. These activities will be managed by an LCLS project office in the Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Laboratory (SSRL) Division of SLAC. Portions of the project will be executed by staff at Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL).

^a This cost estimate includes design phase activities only. Construction activities will be requested to be funded in FY 2005.

6. Schedule of Project Funding

(dollars in thousands)

	Prior Year Costs	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	Outyears	Total
Facility Cost						
PED	0	0	5,500	7,000	23,500	36,000
Other project costs						
Conceptual design cost.....	0	1,500	0	0	0	1,500
Research and development costs....	0	0	0	2,000	4,000	6,000
NEPA documentation costs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other project related costs	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total, Other Project Costs	0	1,500	0	2,000	4,000	7,500
Total Project Cost (TPC)	0	1,500	5,500	9,000	27,500	43,500