## Charging rate for external academic users using cryo-EM facility at HKUST (Year 2024)

Application		Unit	Specification	HKUST External academic users rate (HKD)			
I. Consumable-based application charging rates							
1. Negative staining		Per grid	Cu	35			
2. Cryo-plunge freezing		Per grid	QF Cu	145			
			QF Au	155			
3. Cryo-plunge freezing			QF SiO2 Au	165			
(non-grid)		Per grid	1	75			
4. Cryo-EM sample cartridge		Per grid	Full cartridge	320			
		Per grid	C-ring only	40			
5. Aquilos Autogrid		Per grid	Full cartridge	400			
6. Carbon coating		Per application	1	30			
7. HPF samples freezing		Per carrier	1	400			
II. Beam time charging rates							
8. Titan Krios		Per hour	Booking 24hr based	1100			
9. Glacios		Per hour	Booking 8hr based	480			
10. Talos		Per hour	Booking hourly based	350			
11. Aquilos		Per hour	Booking 8hr based	700			
12. HPF liveμ		Per hour	Booking hourly based	260			
13. Leica sectioning RT		Per hour	Booking hourly based	320			
14. Leica sectioning Cryo		Per hour	Booking hourly based	400			
III. Other services charging rates (training/ services)							
Training Talos	Individual	Per trainee	Per 4 hours training	2800			
120kV	Group	Up to 2 trainees		4800			
Training Glacios 200kV	Individual	Per trainee	16 hours training	16000			
	Group	Up to 2 trainees		24000			
Training Aquilos cryo-FIB	Individual	Per trainee	16 hours training	16000			
	Group	Up to 2 trainees		24000			
Training for Vitrobot	Individual	Per trainee	2 hours training	800			
	Group	Up to 2 trainees		1400			

Training for HPF	Individual	Per trainee	2 hours training	1000
	Group	Up to 2 trainees		1600
Training for Leica sectioning	Individual	Per trainee	- 16 hours training	16000
	Group	Up to 2 trainees		24000
Data Collection setup		Per hour	1	800

**Table 1** Current charging rate for different services/application. Please note: There is 25% overhead on all external income, which is not included in the listed rates.