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Spin-lattice coupling from ns to fs time-scales

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Although often neglected the coupling of spin and lattice motion plays a role on many length and timescales. Novel spintronic applications aim at controlling magnetization precession and spin currents via lattice strain waves while also angular momentum transfer via the Einstein-de Haas effect can play a role. In this presentation I will give an overview how synchrotrons and x-ray free electron lasers can be used to follow magnetoelastic coupling in non-linear nanoscale magnetic textures. I will also give an outlook how time-resolved electron diffraction promises an interesting alternative to using large-scale facilities.

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