## Experimental Report

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Title: Dynamics of water confined in cage-like mesoporous silica SBA-16

This proposal is a new proposal

Researh Area: Physics

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Silica, D2O **Samples:** 

Instrument	Req. Days	All. Days	From	То
IN11	9	6	31/10/2012	06/11/2012

## Abstract:

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