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ORSO- The Open Reflectometry Standards Organisation

ORSO is a group of reflectometry scientists from across the globe that are interested in improving neutron and X-ray reflectometry through collaboration. The annual meeting for this collaboration will be held at the end of the SXNS conference and so we would like to update the SXNS community on what ORSO has been working on since it was established in 2017 and the most recent developments. In particular we will update on some key ORSO outputs:

- A standard file format for use across X-ray and neutron reflectometry. This is an important step towards interoperability across facilities. The architecture of this .ort format will be presented together with the python libraries (orsopy) to read and write it.
 - A scattering length density database is now available which is intended to provide both calculation tools and user maintained wisdom about appropriate usage of scattering length density.
 - The establishment of cross-facility collaboration on standardized data analysis “best practices” and shared resources to make it easier to build and use reflectometry analysis software
 - The creation of teaching resources that are free and maintained by the community.
 - Advice on ensuring reproducible analysis and publication, for example we have recently published advice on how to report the results of Bayesian analysis as applied to neutron and X-ray reflectometry. <https://doi.org/10.1107/S1600576722011426>
- ORSO is open to everyone, meaning its working groups are open to all. To find out more, go to our web page www.reflectometry.org or come along to the ORSO annual meeting. Together we can do better science.

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Instrumentation and methods

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