



First D-CIXS Lunar Results

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The ESA SMART-1 mission has arrived at the Moon and recently began data taking. A major payload element is D-CIXS, a Compact X-ray Spectrometer which will provide high quality spectroscopic mapping of the Lunar surface. We will present first results. D-CIXS demonstrates a capability to achieve ground breaking science within a resource envelope far smaller than previously thought possible for this type of instrument, using new technology which does not require cold running, with its associated overheads to the spacecraft. It consists of a high throughput spectrometer, which will perform spatially localised X-ray fluorescence spectroscopy, and a solar monitor to provide the calibration of the illumination necessary to produce global map of absolute Lunar elemental abundances.