

## X-ray crystallography

### **Exercise** (Work in pairs)

Watch the video “X-ray crystallography (2014): X-ray crystallography is the most important tool to determine the atomic and molecular structure of matter”. Then answer questions 1 and 2. If necessary, look for more information on the Internet to answer the questions.



- 1) **What kind of findings can be obtained using X-ray crystallography?**
- 2) **On which principle is X-ray crystallography based?**
  - a) Why are X-rays used and not UV rays?
  - b) What is a crystal?
  - c) What is the primary result?

### **Other links:**

Background information on x-ray crystallography:

- <http://www.ruppweb.org/Xray/101index.html>

Introduction to the electromagnetic spectrum and x-rays:

- <https://imagine.gsfc.nasa.gov/science/toolbox/empectrum1.html>

Introduction to crystal structure:

- [https://www.deltacollege.edu/emp/ckim/Labs\\_PDF/crystal-packing-lab.pdf](https://www.deltacollege.edu/emp/ckim/Labs_PDF/crystal-packing-lab.pdf)