Start of Commissioning for the High Brilliance **Synchrotron** Light Source **BESSY** D. KRËMER for the BESSY II Project Team\*\* - BESSY II, the 1.9 GeV 3rd generation synchrotron light source started commissioning. While the full energy injector synchrotron has been put into operation successfully since April 1997 [1] at the same time the storage ring was completed in parallel and pumped down by the end of that year. Final cabling and testing of sub-systems is performed presently for first injection and accumulation tests in April The status report will focus on the design criteria, construction results and give a summary of the achievements of the running in phase.

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