

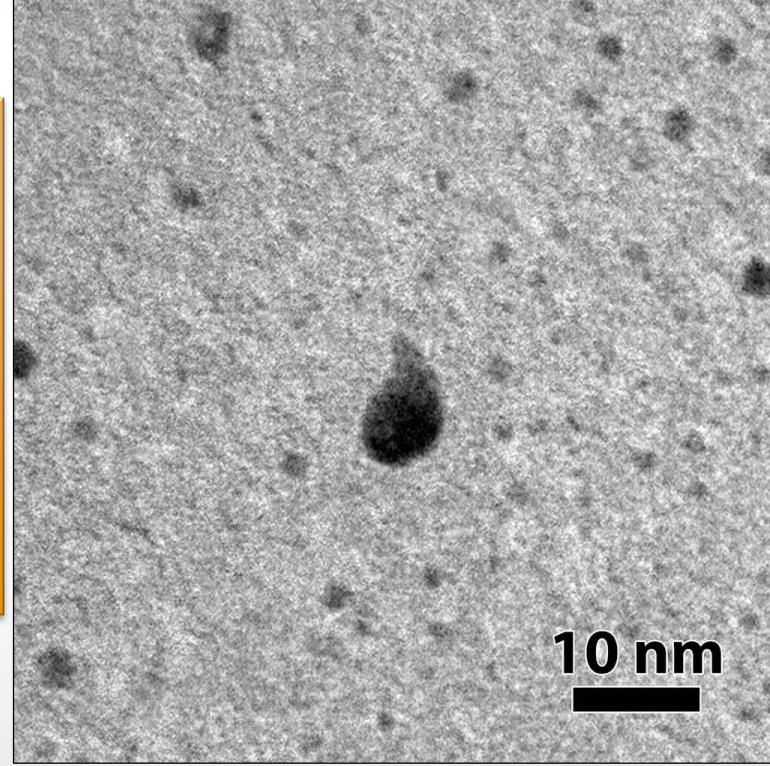
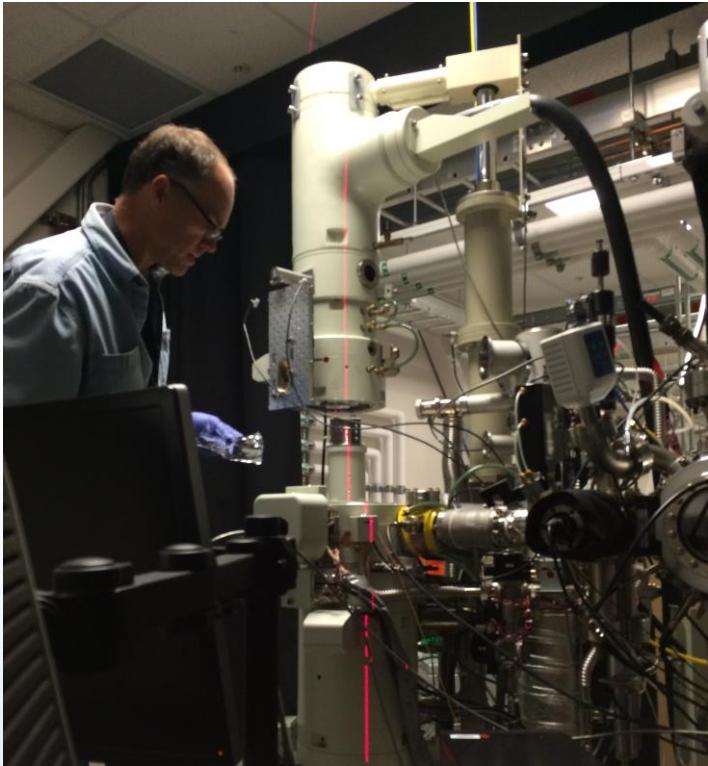
# Recent advancements in Sandia's *In situ* Ion Irradiation Transmission Electron Microscope

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- Outline
- 1) *Recent results in Au (NP and NC films)*
  - 2) *Recent results in Ni films*
  - 3) *Future directions*
  - 4) *Far-out future directions*



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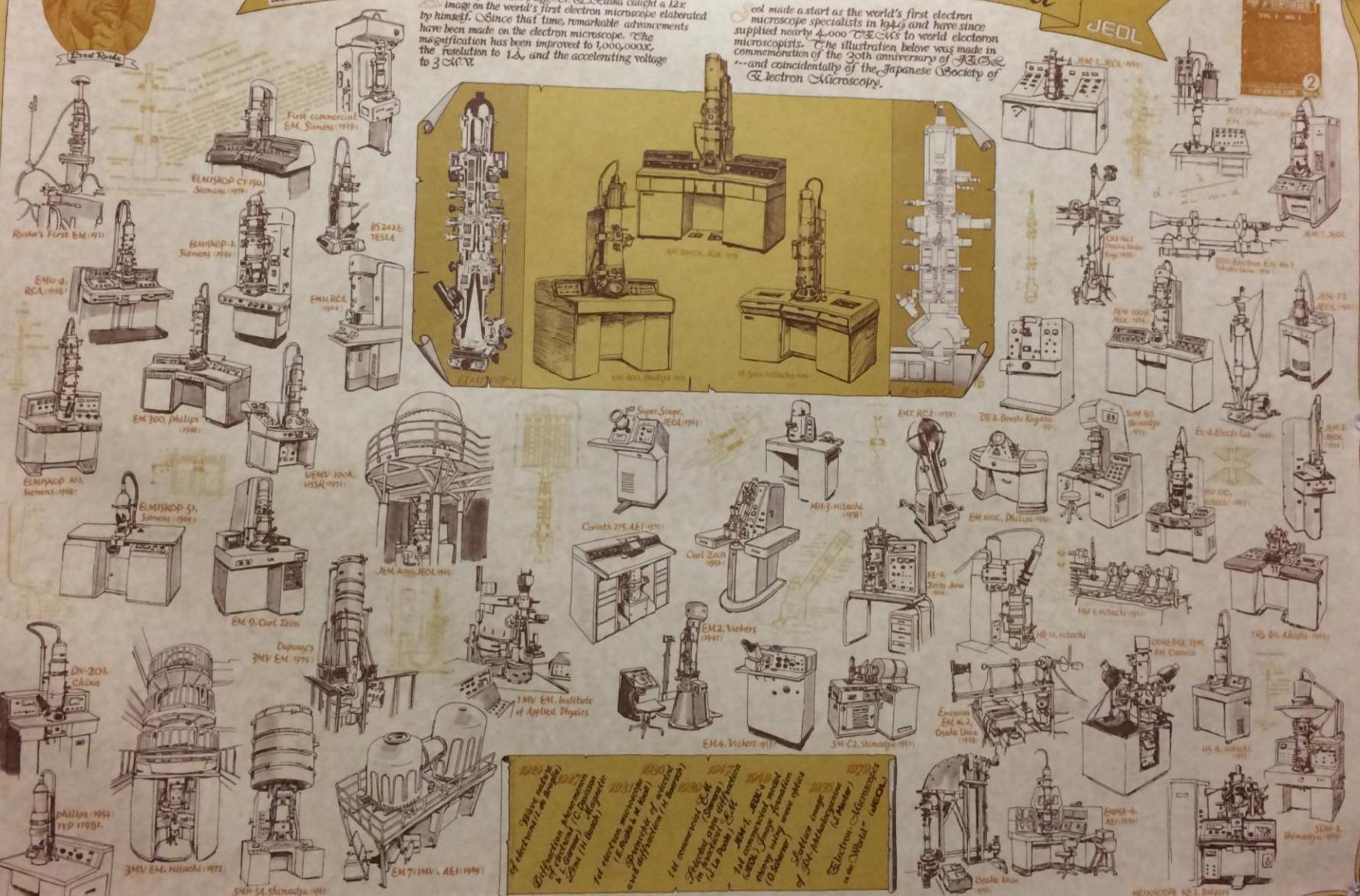


# Electron Microscopes in the World



A boat half a century ago Dr. T. Ruska caught a 12x image on the world's first electron microscope elaborated by himself. Since that time, remarkable advancements have been made on the electron microscope. The magnification has been improved to 1,000,000x, the resolution to 1 Å, and the accelerating voltage to 300kV.

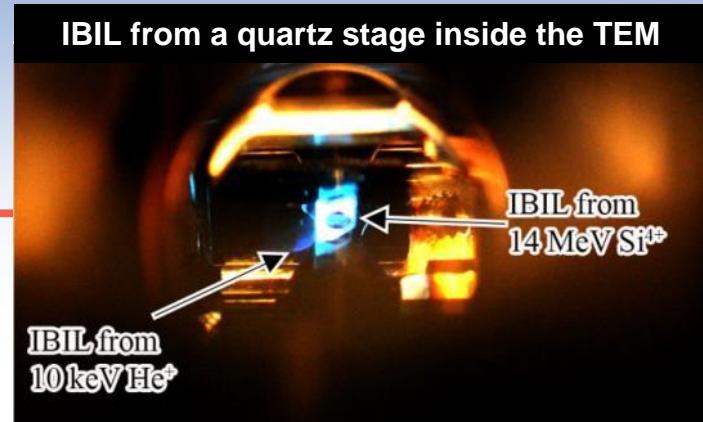
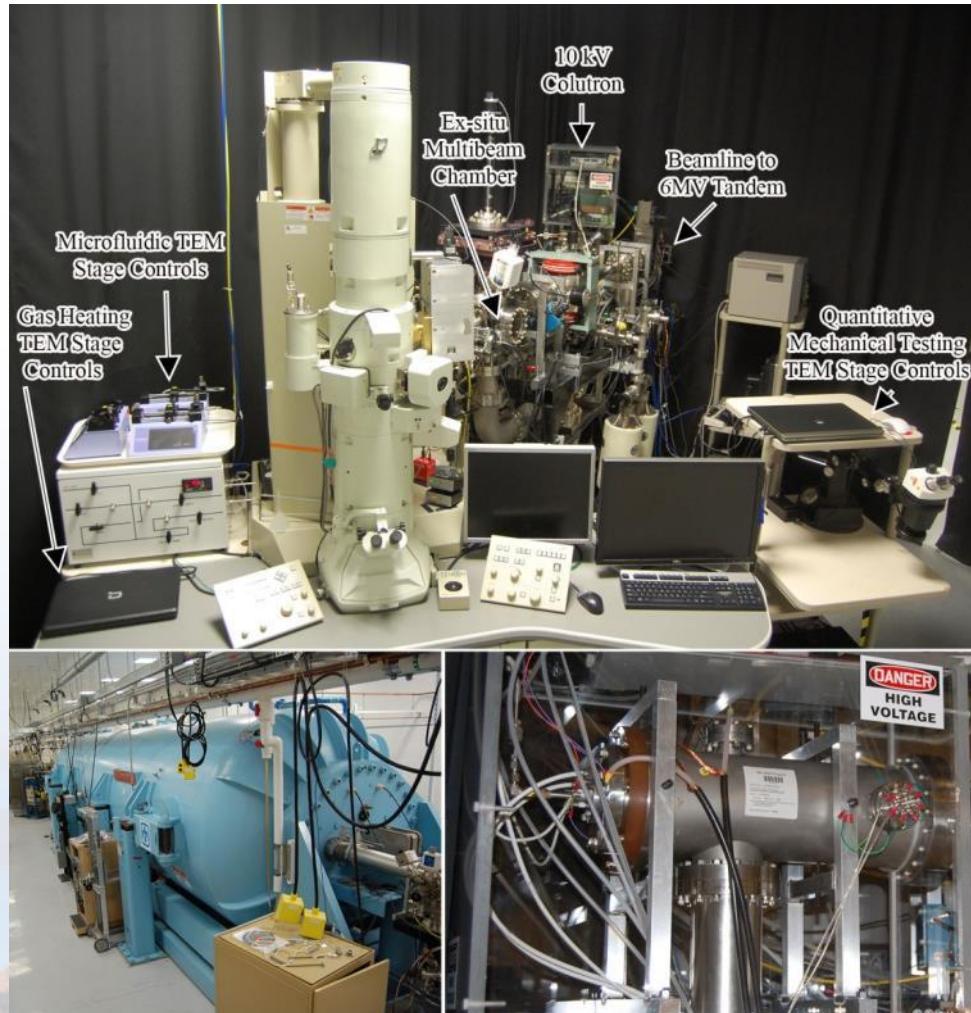
3 eel made a start as the world's first electron microscope specialists in 1949 and have since supplied nearly 4,000 TEMs to world electron microscopists. The illustration below was made in commemoration of the 30th anniversary of ~~JEOL~~ and coincidentally of the Japanese Society of Electron Microscopy.



# Sandia's Concurrent *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM Facility

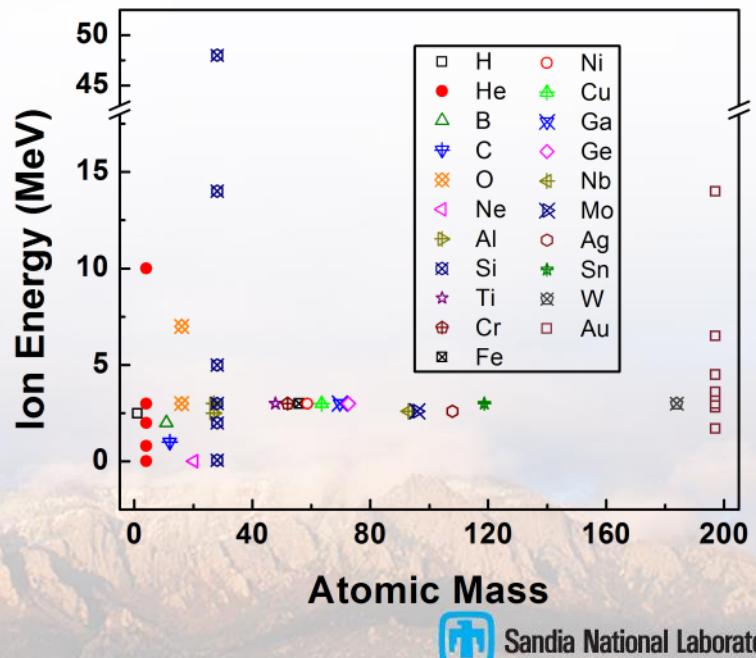
Collaborator: D.L. Buller

## 10 kV Colutron - 200 kV TEM - 6 MV Tandem



Direct real time observation  
of ion irradiation,  
ion implantation, or both  
with nanometer resolution

## Ion species & energy introduced into the TEM

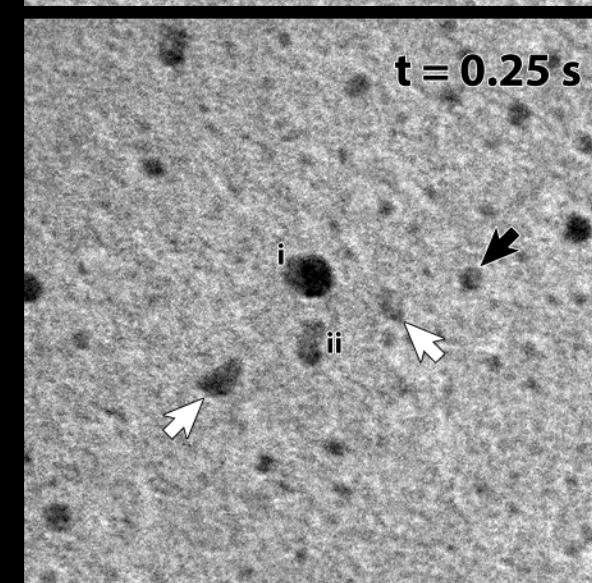
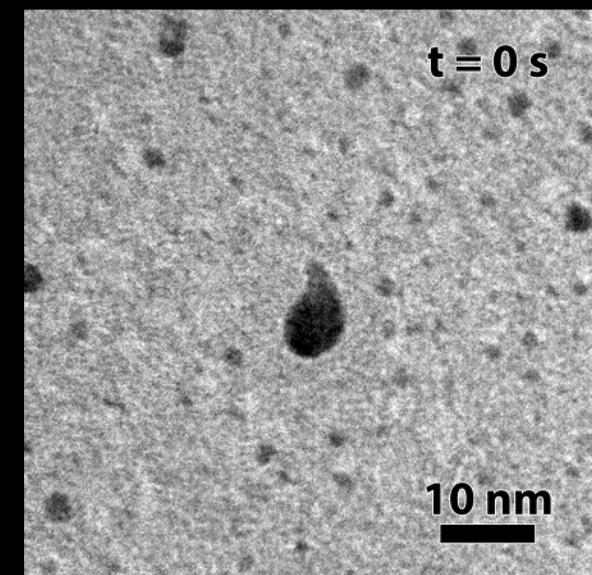
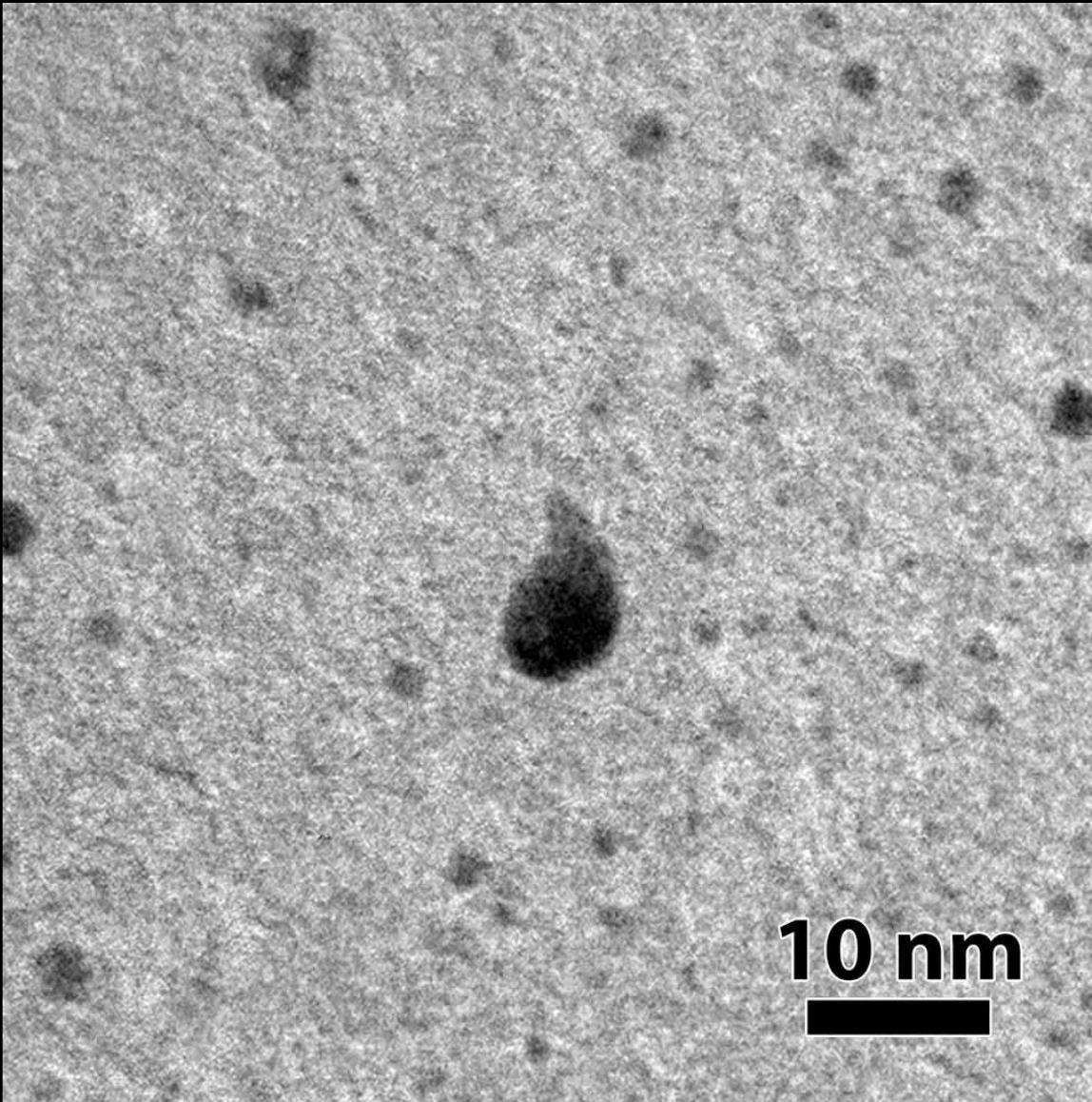


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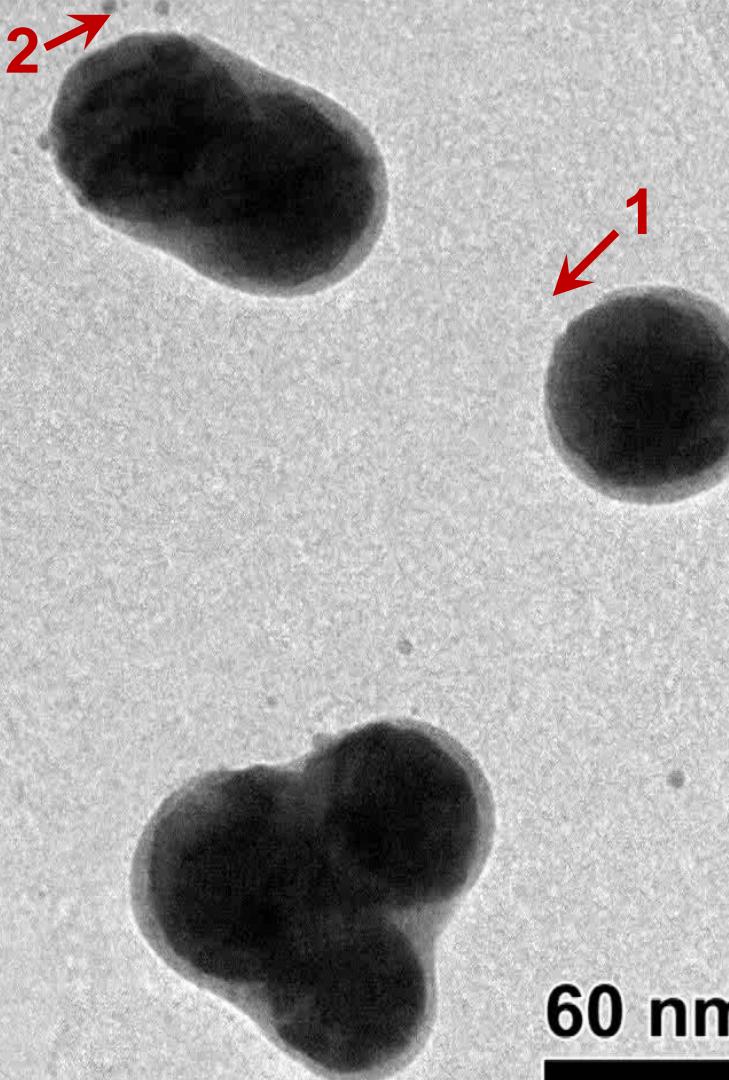
# Single Ion Strikes: 46 keV Au<sup>1+</sup> ions into 5 nm Au nanoparticles

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford



# Single Ion Strikes: 2.8 MeV Au<sup>4+</sup> ions into 60 nm Au nanoparticles

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford



Video playback at 2x real time.

- 2.8 MeV Au<sup>4+</sup> ions into 60 nm diameter Au nanoparticles
- 100 kx magnification
- Nanoscale filaments created by individual ions

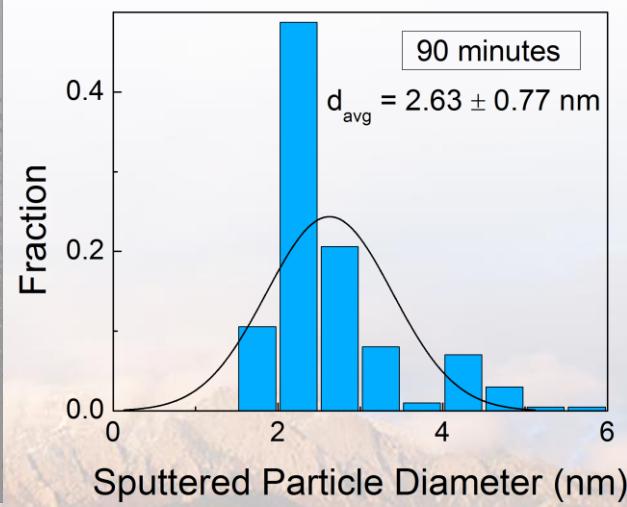
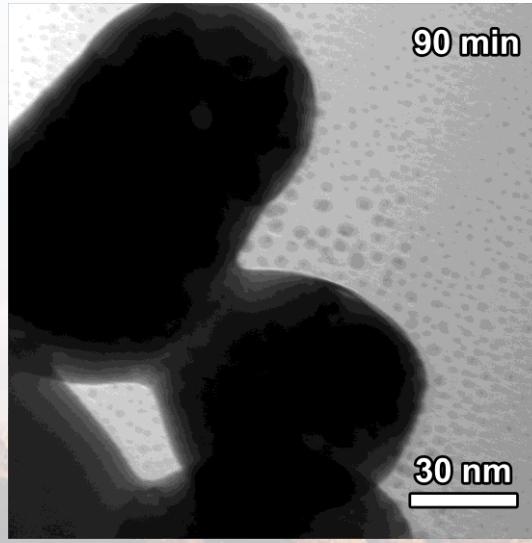
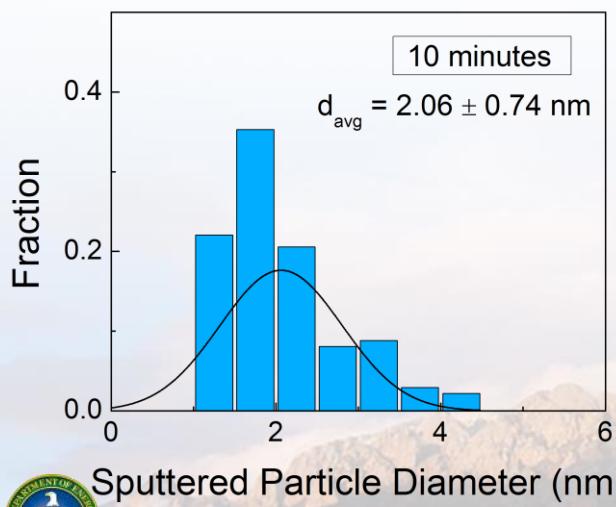
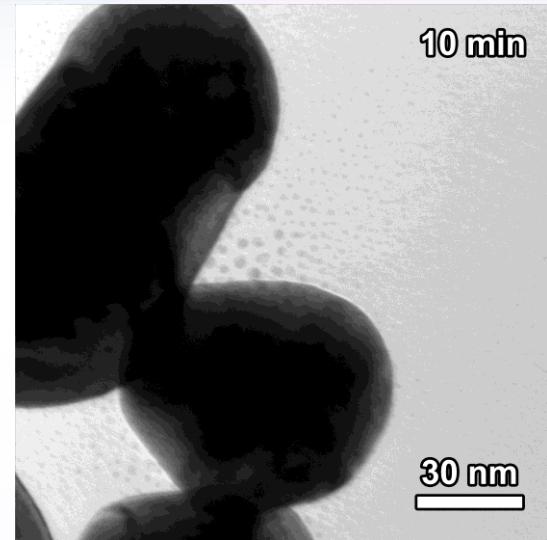
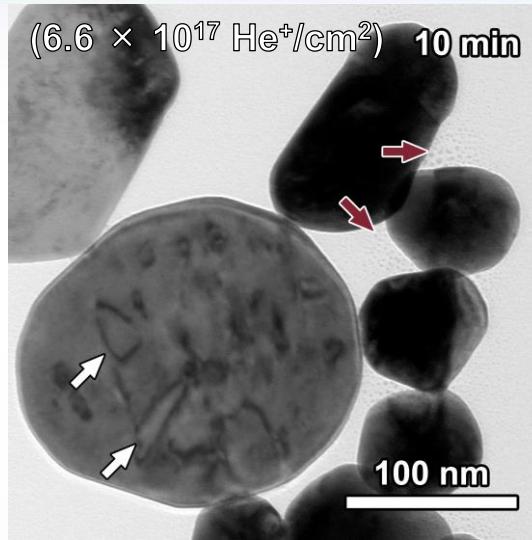
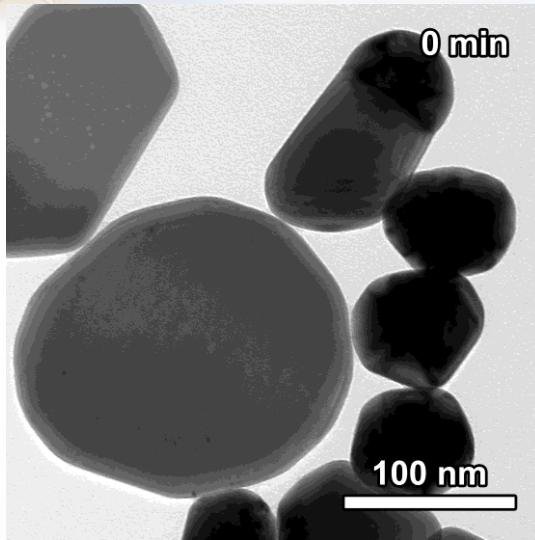
The permanent and transient structures resulting from single ion strikes can be directly observed



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# Formation of Dislocation Loops & Sputtered Particles due to He implantation

Collaborators: D.C. Bufford, S.H. Pratt & T.J. Boyle



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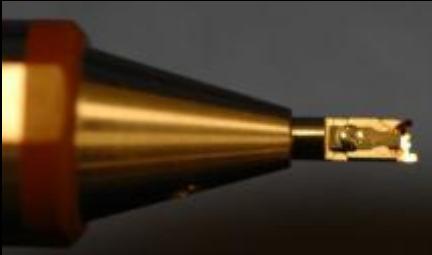
# Electron Tomography Provides 3D Insight

Collaborators: S.H. Pratt & T.J. Boyle

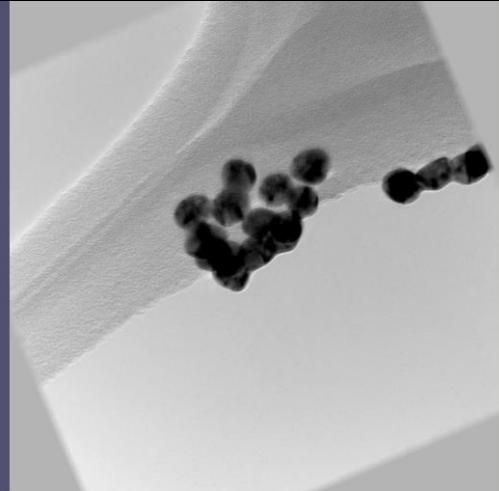
*In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM (I<sup>3</sup>TEM)



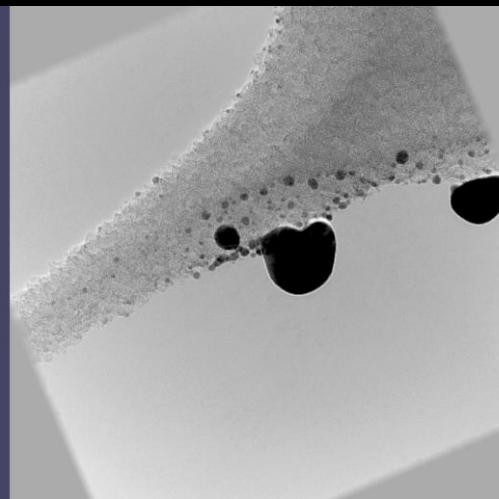
Hummingbird  
tomography stage



Aligned Au NP tilt series -  
unirradiated



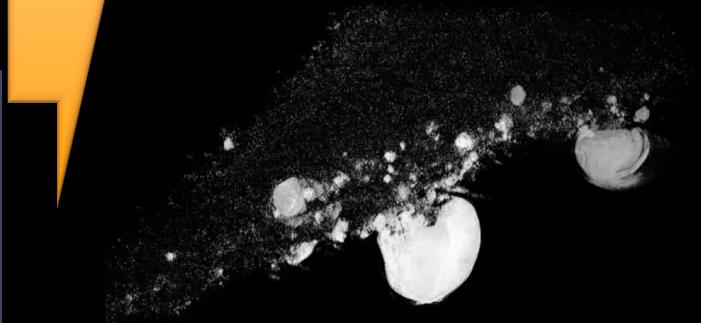
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Unirradiated Au NP model



Irradiated Au NP model



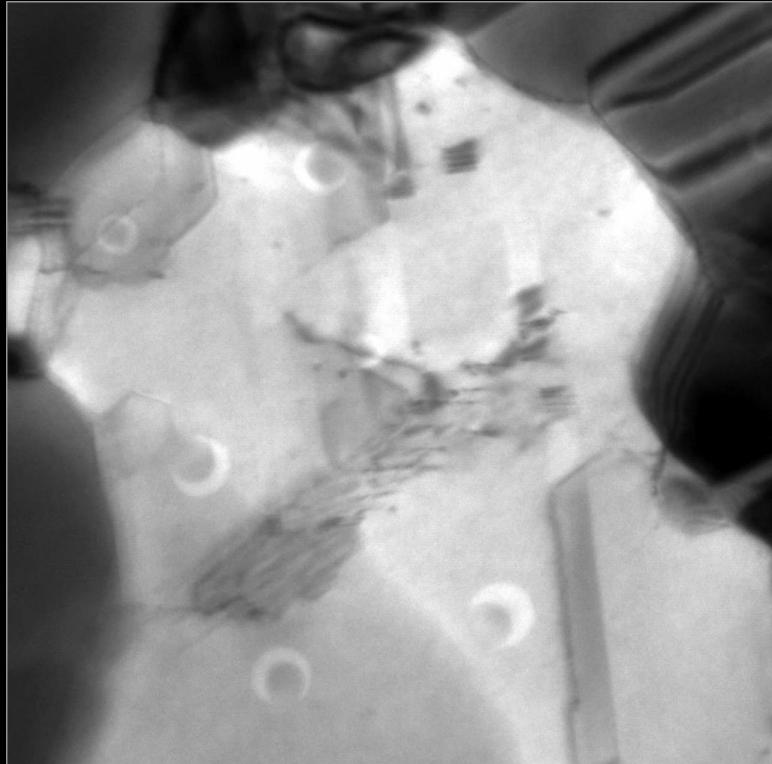
The application of advanced  
microscopy techniques to  
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exciting new research directions



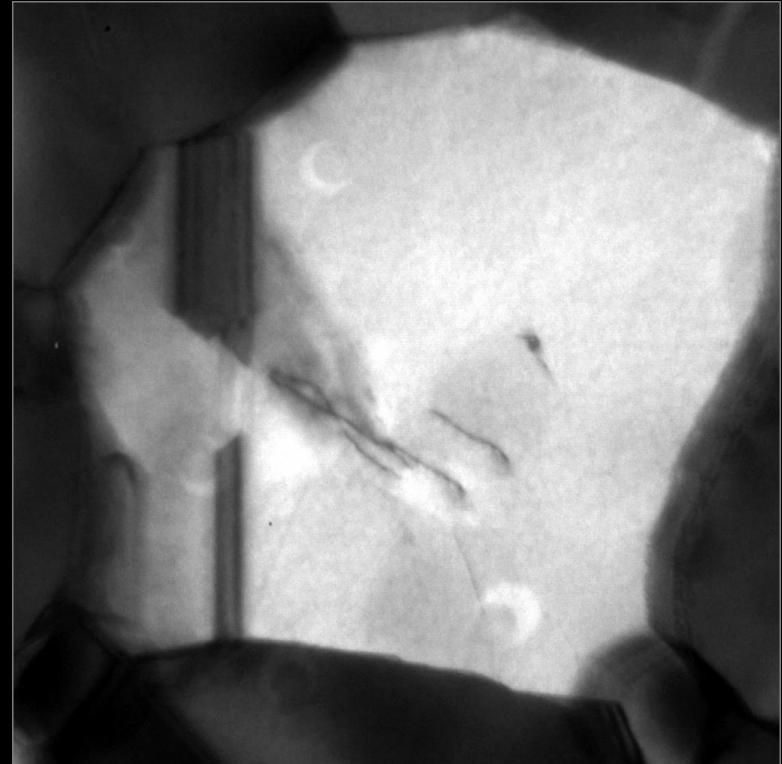
# Dose Rate Effects

Collaborators: C. Chisholm, P. Hosemann, & A. Minor

$7.9 \times 10^9$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>/s



$6.7 \times 10^7$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>/s

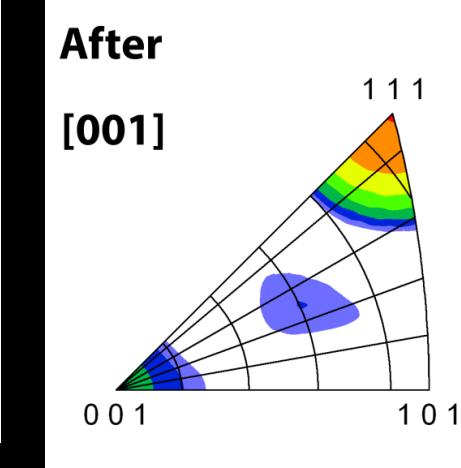
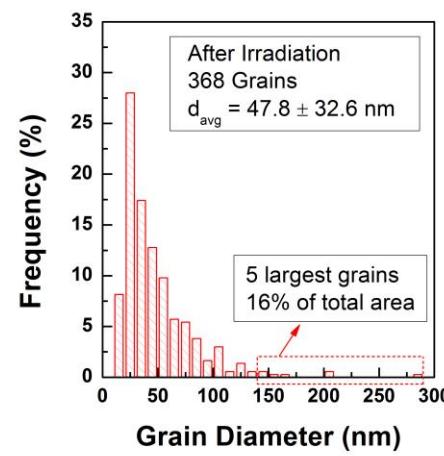
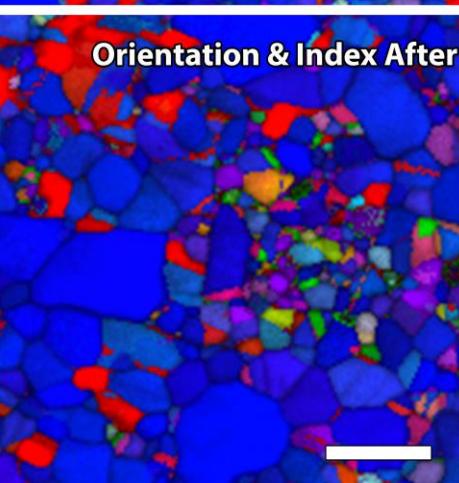
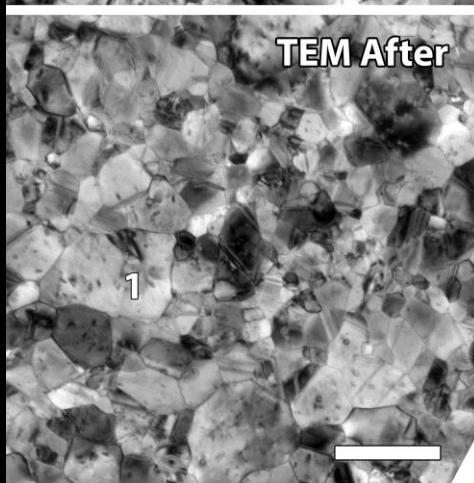
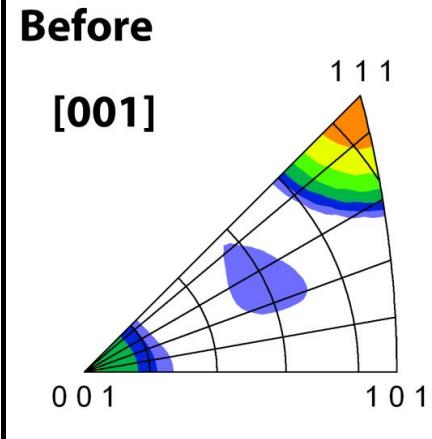
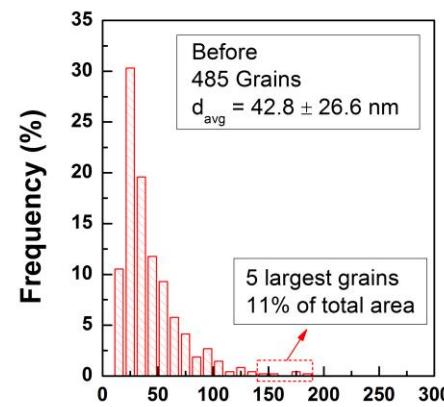
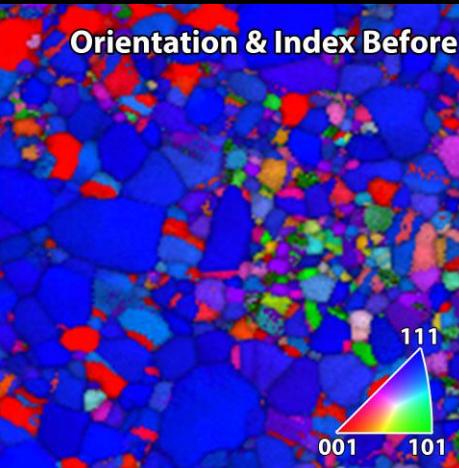


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Improved vibrational and ion beam stability permits us to work at 120kx or higher permitting imaging of single cascade events

# Quantifying Stability of Nanocrystalline Au during 10 MeV Si Ion Irradiation

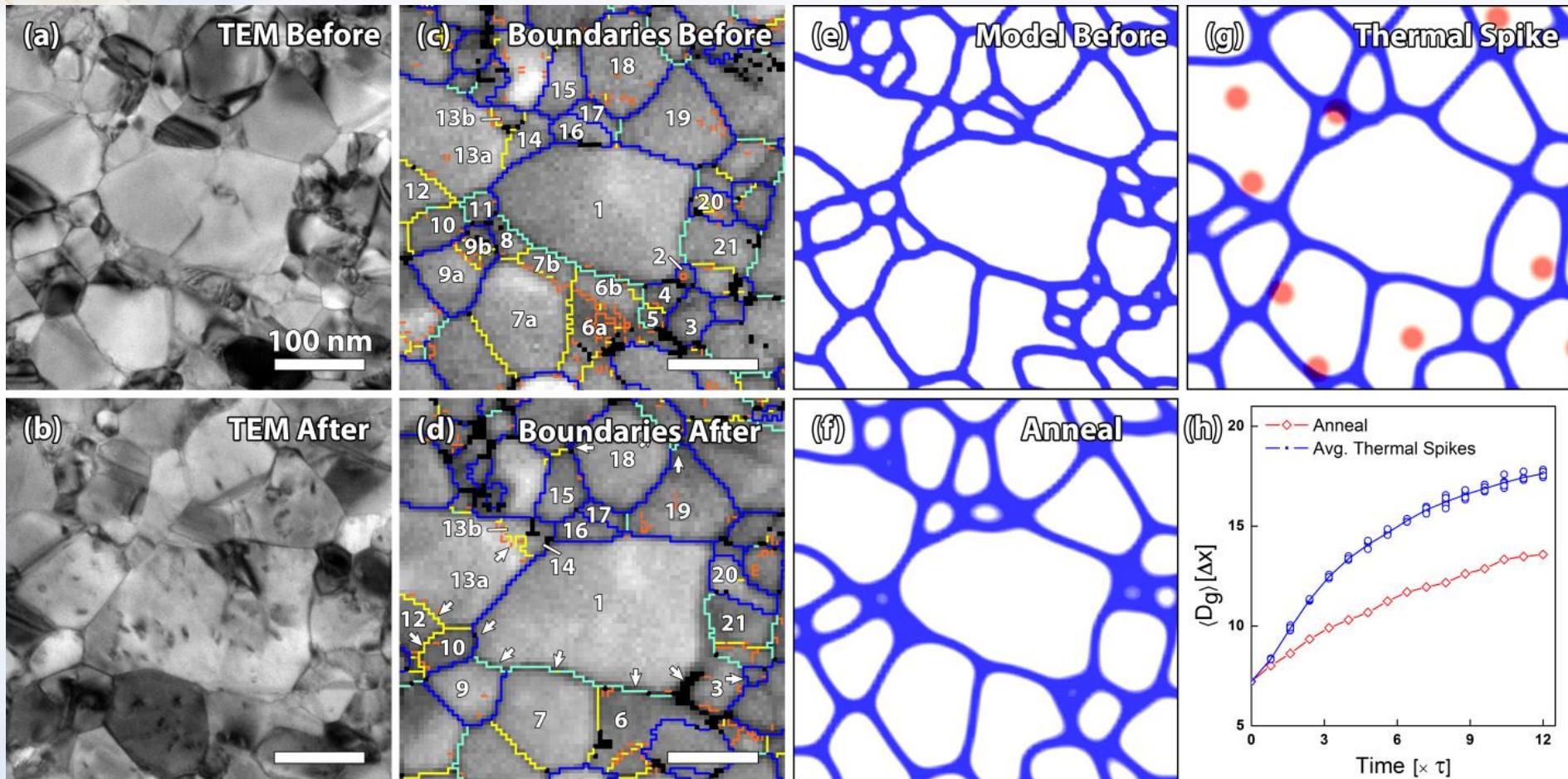
Collaborators: D.C. Bufford, F. Abdeljawad, & S.M. Foiles



Any texture or grain boundary evolution can be directly observed and quantified

# Direct Comparison to Mesoscale Modeling

Collaborators: D.C. Bufford, F. Abdeljawad, & S.M. Foiles



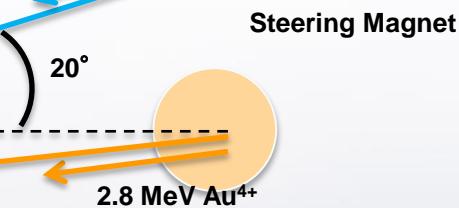
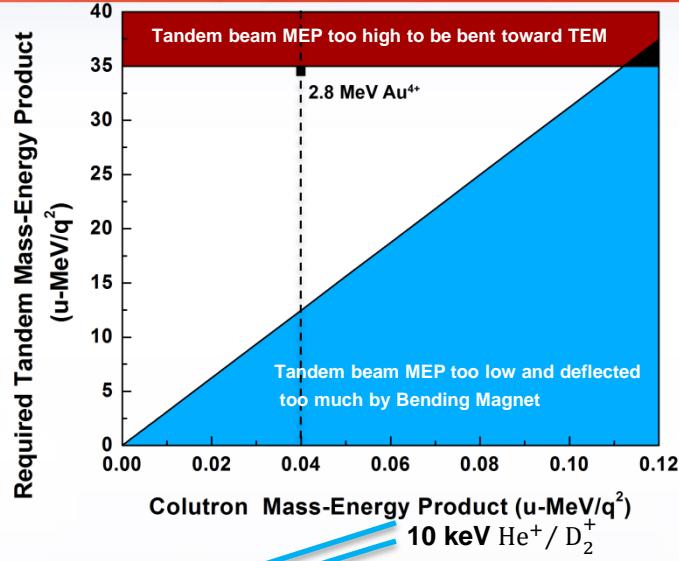
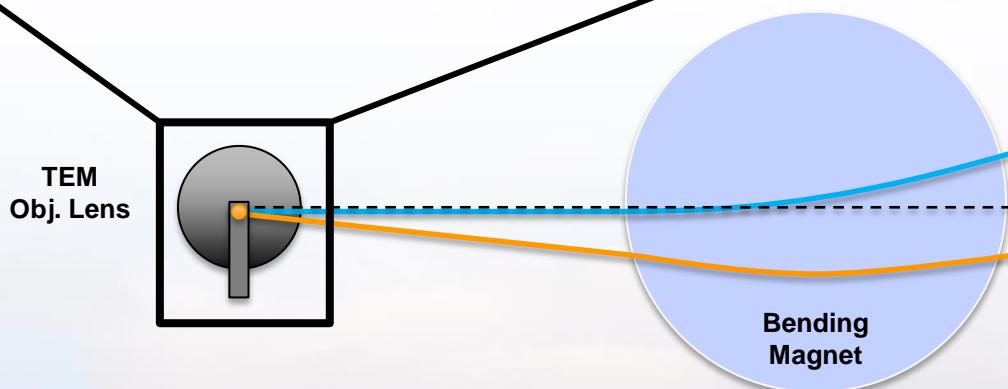
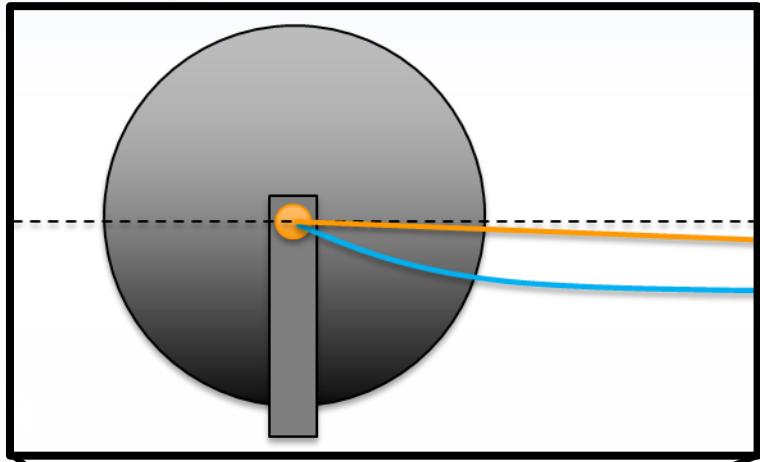
Because of the matching length scale, the initial microstructure can serve as direct input to either MD or mesoscale models & subsequent structural evolution can be directly compared.



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# Modeling Beam Mixing and Deflection Necessary to Develop a *In situ* Triple Beam Facility

Collaborators: M. Steckbeck, D.C. Bufford, & B.L. Doyle



- Must compensate for deflection of Tandem beam by bending magnet
- Colutron beams deflected by the TEM objective lens
- Insignificant deflection of Tandem beams
- With 10 keV He/D<sub>2</sub> we can use Tandem beams  $\gtrapprox 13$  MeV/q<sup>2</sup>

Au, He, and D<sub>2</sub> ions can all reach the sample concurrently

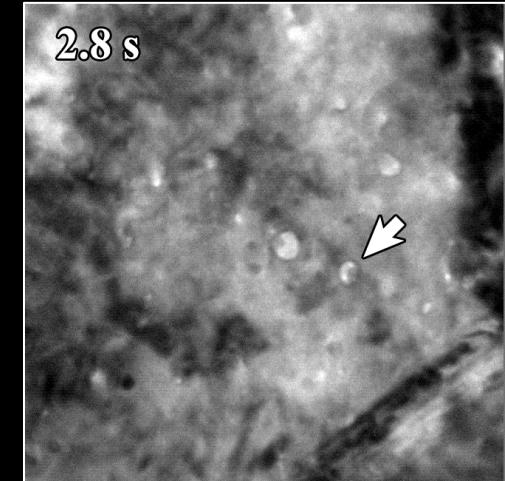
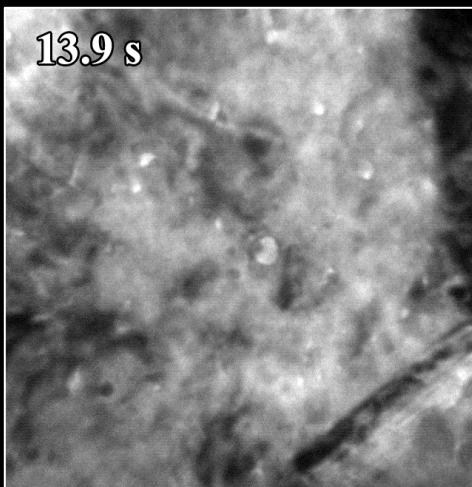
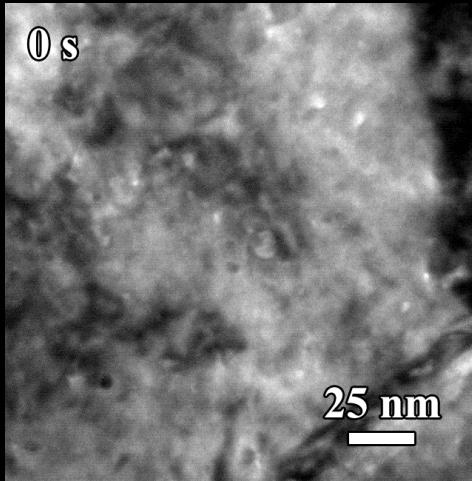
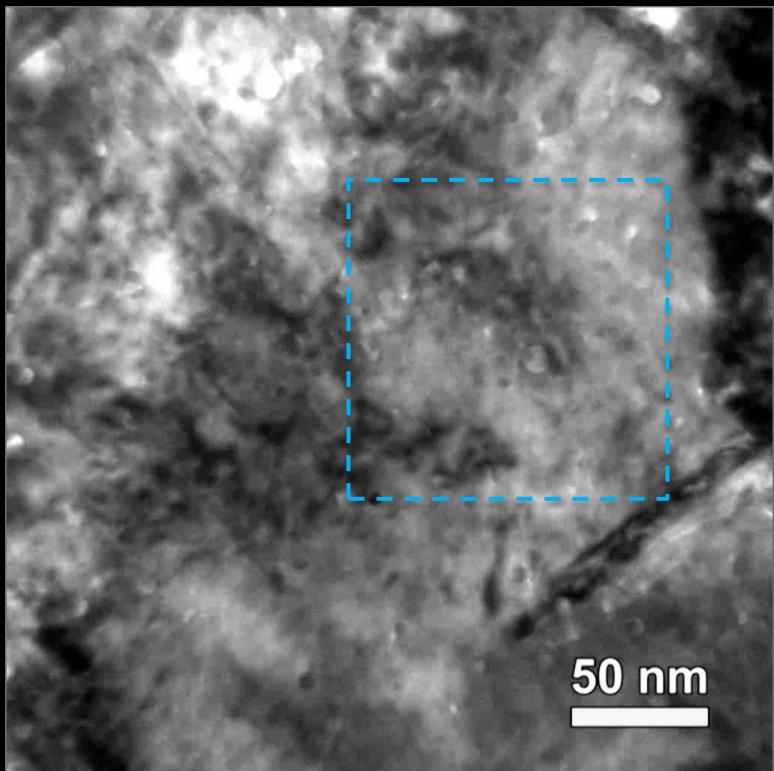


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# Simultaneous *In situ* TEM Triple Beam: 2.8 MeV Au<sup>4+</sup> + 10 keV He<sup>+</sup>/D<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford

Video playback speed x1.5.



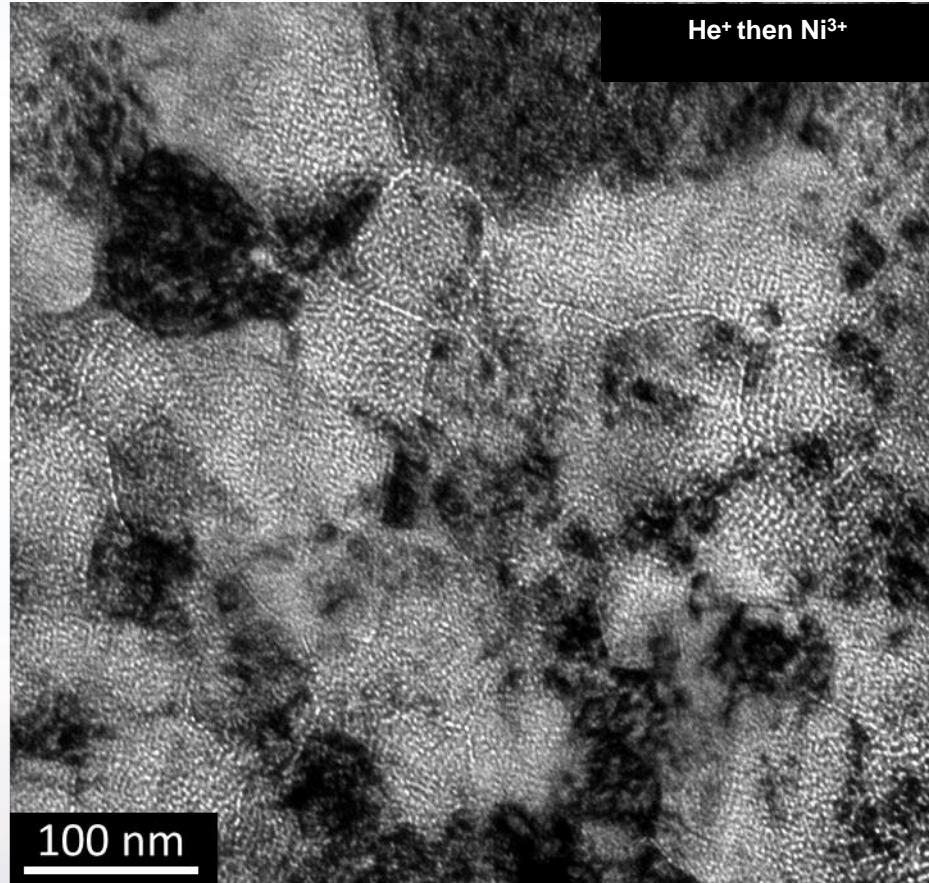
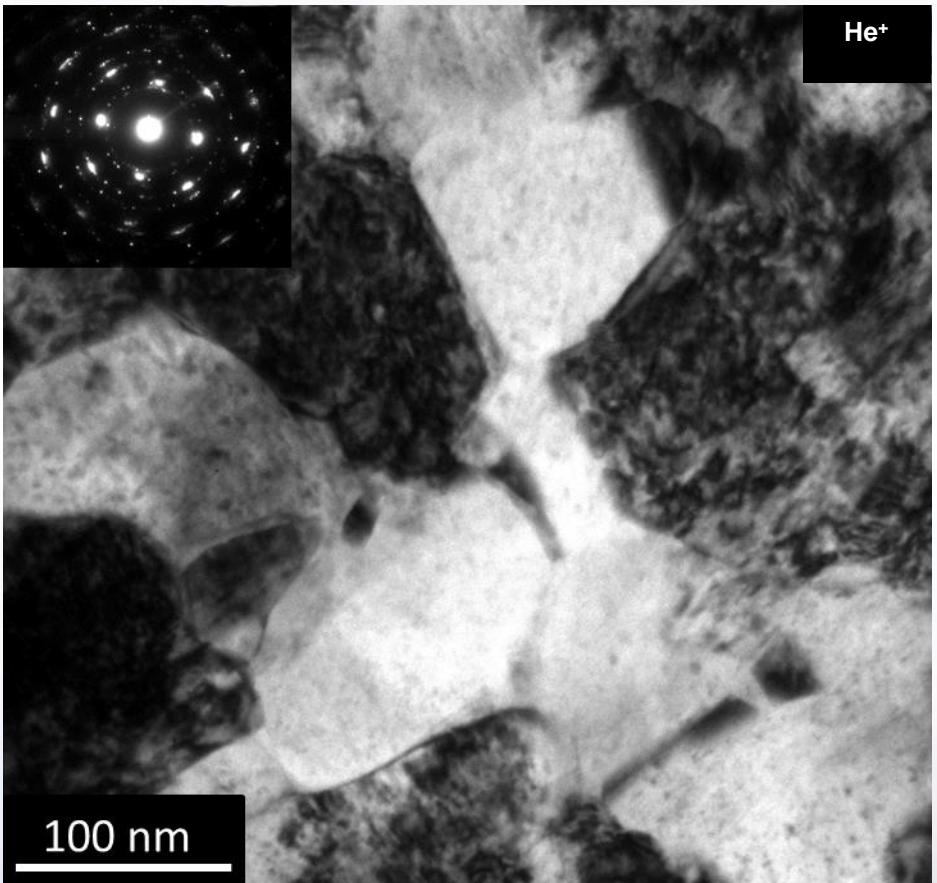
In-situ triple beam He,  
D<sub>2</sub>, and Au beam  
irradiation has been  
demonstrated on  
Sandia's I<sup>3</sup>TEM!

Intensive work is still  
needed to understand  
the defect structure  
evolution that has been  
observed.

- Approximate fluence:
  - Au  $1.2 \times 10^{13}$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>
  - He  $1.3 \times 10^{15}$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>
  - D  $2.2 \times 10^{15}$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Cavity nucleation and disappearance

# 10 keV He<sup>+</sup> Implantation followed by 3 MeV Ni<sup>3+</sup> Irradiation

Collaborator: B. Muntifering & J. Qu



10<sup>17</sup> He<sup>+</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>  
Visible damage to both the  
sample and the source

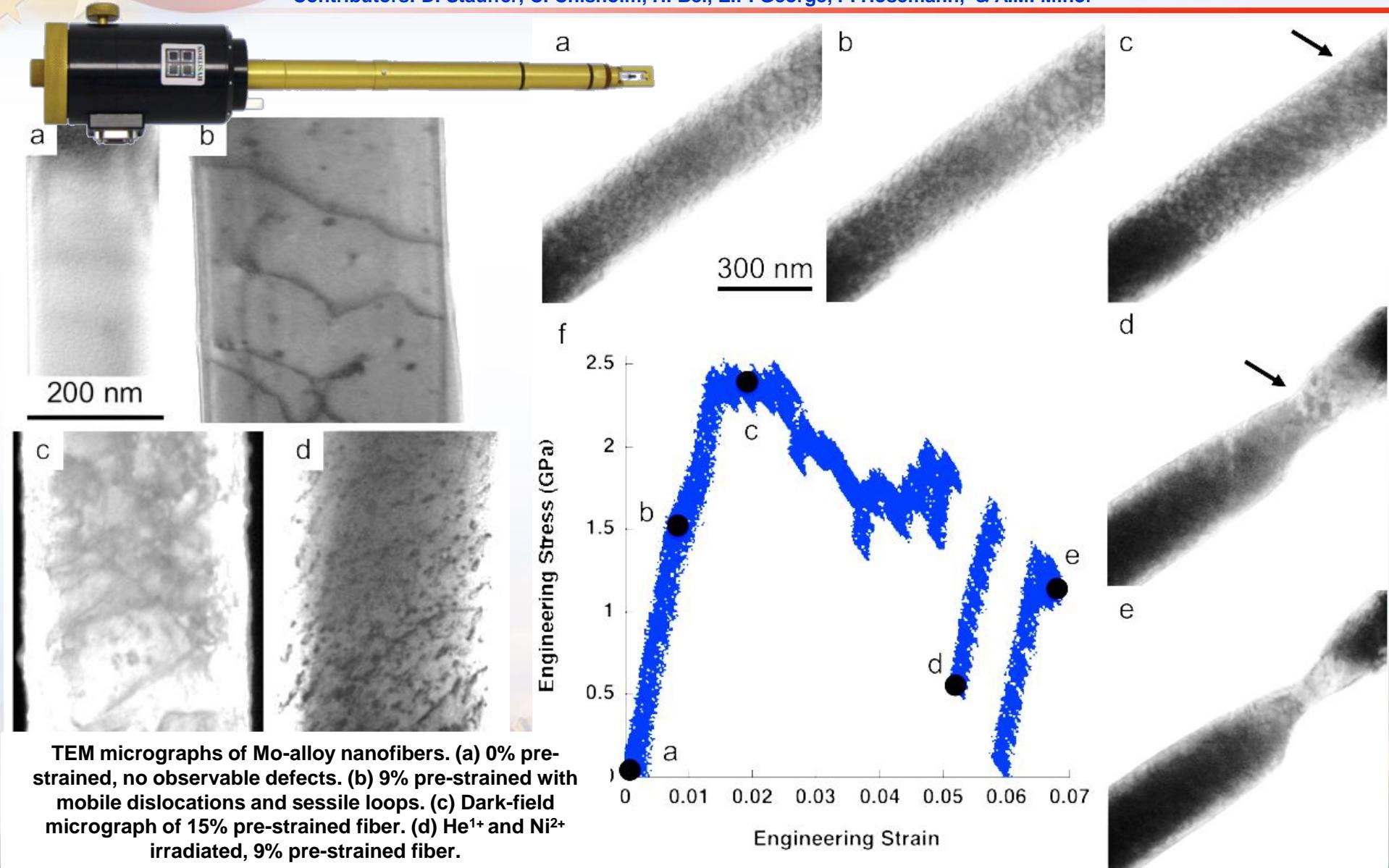
0.7 dpa Ni<sup>3+</sup> irradiation  
High concentration of cavities along  
grain boundaries



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# In situ TEM Quantitative Mechanical Testing

Contributors: D. Stauffer, C. Chisholm, H. Bei, E.P. George, P. Hosemann, & A.M. Minor

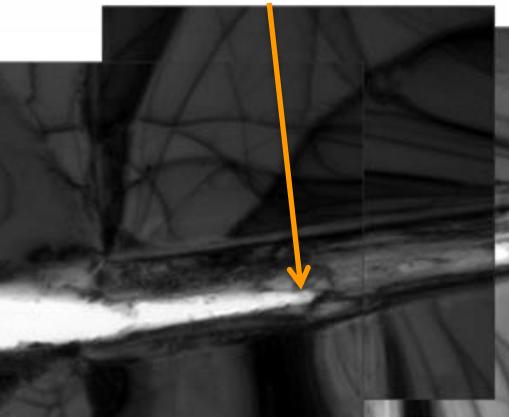


TEM micrographs of Mo-alloy nanofibers. (a) 0% pre-strained, no observable defects. (b) 9% pre-strained with mobile dislocations and sessile loops. (c) Dark-field micrograph of 15% pre-strained fiber. (d) He<sup>+</sup> and Ni<sup>2+</sup> irradiated, 9% pre-strained fiber.

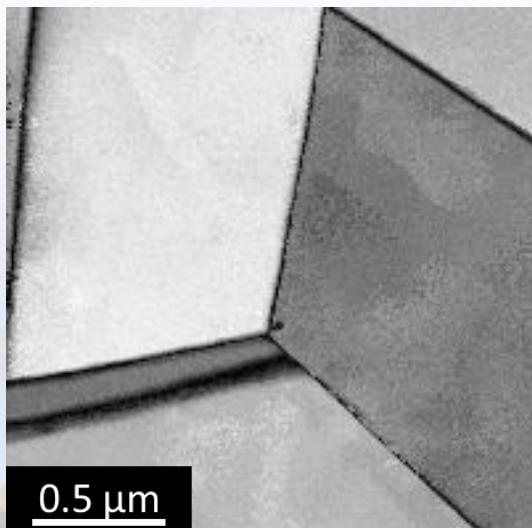
# Future Direction: PED and *In situ* TEM Deformation

Collaborator: B. Muntifering & J. Qu

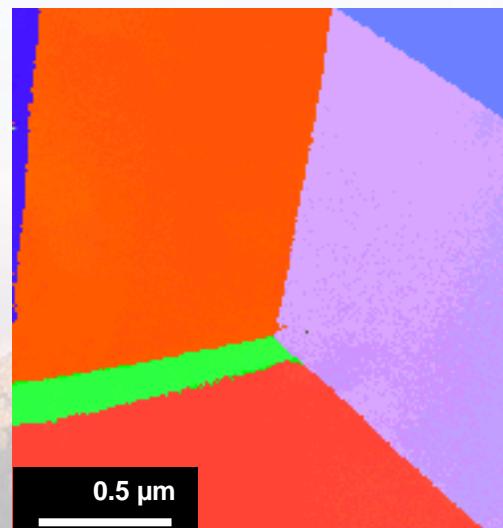
Crack Tip



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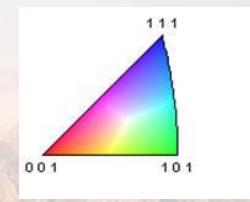


Cross Slip



Grain Boundary

Combination of PED and in-situ TEM straining may provided greater insight into GB character role of deformation and failure

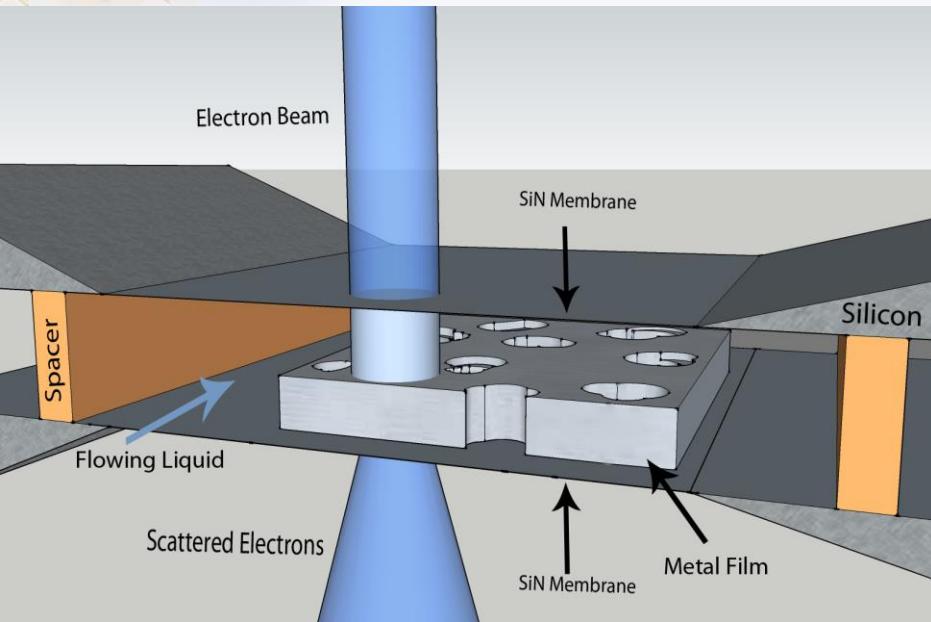


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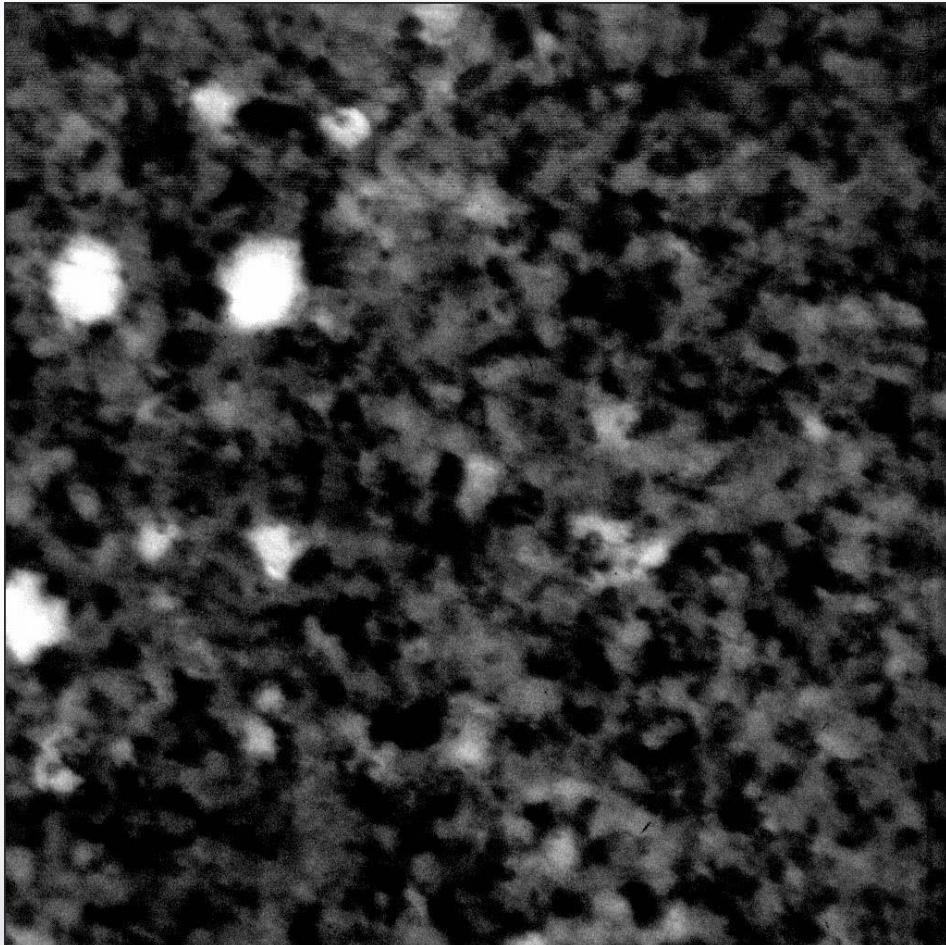
# Future Direction: *In situ* TEM Corrosion Direction

Contributors: D. Gross, J. Kacher, & I.M. Robertson



## Microfluidic Stage

- Mixing of two or more channels
- Continuous observation of the reaction channel
- Chamber dimensions are controllable
- Films can be directly deposited on the electron transparent SiN membrane



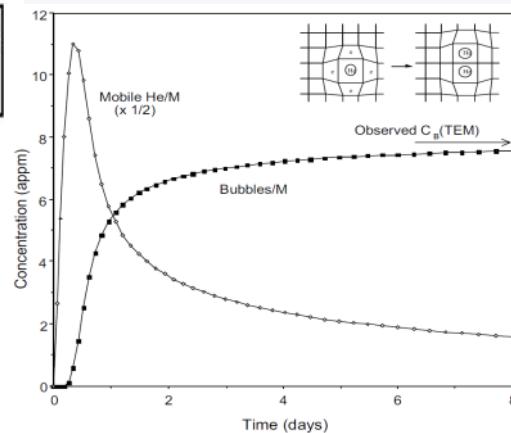
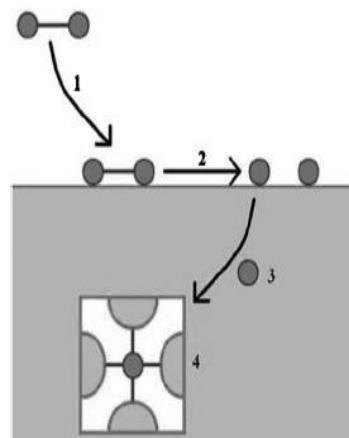
Pitting mechanisms during dilute flow of acetic acid over 99.95% nc-PLD Fe involves many grains.



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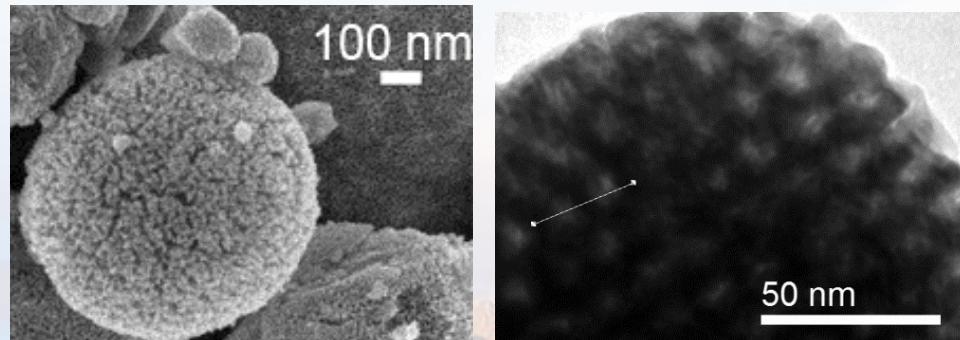
# Future Direction: *In situ* TEM Hydrogen Exposure

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Harmful effects may be mitigated in nanoporous Pd

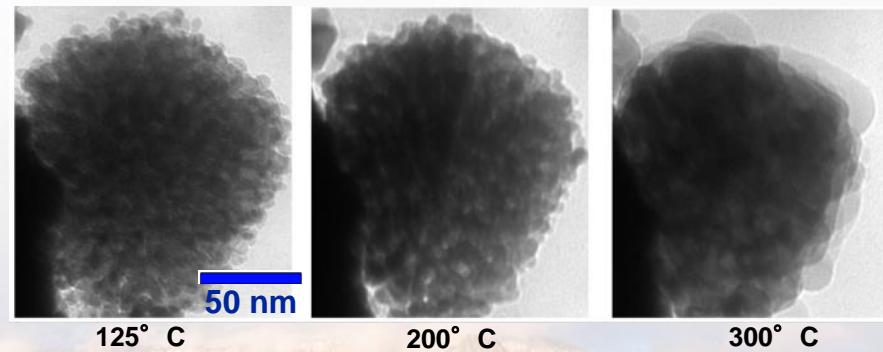


## Vapor-Phase Heating TEM Stage

- Compatible with a range of gases
- *In situ* resistive heating
- Continuous observation of the reaction channel
- Chamber dimensions are controllable
- Compatible with MS and other analytical tools



- 1 atm H<sub>2</sub> after several pulses to specified temp.

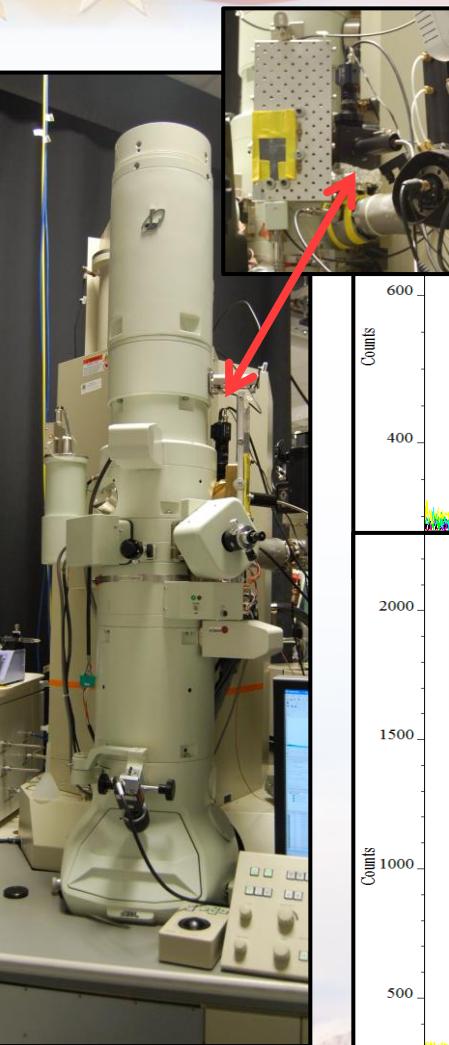


New *in situ* atmospheric heating experiments provide great insight into nanoporous Pd stability

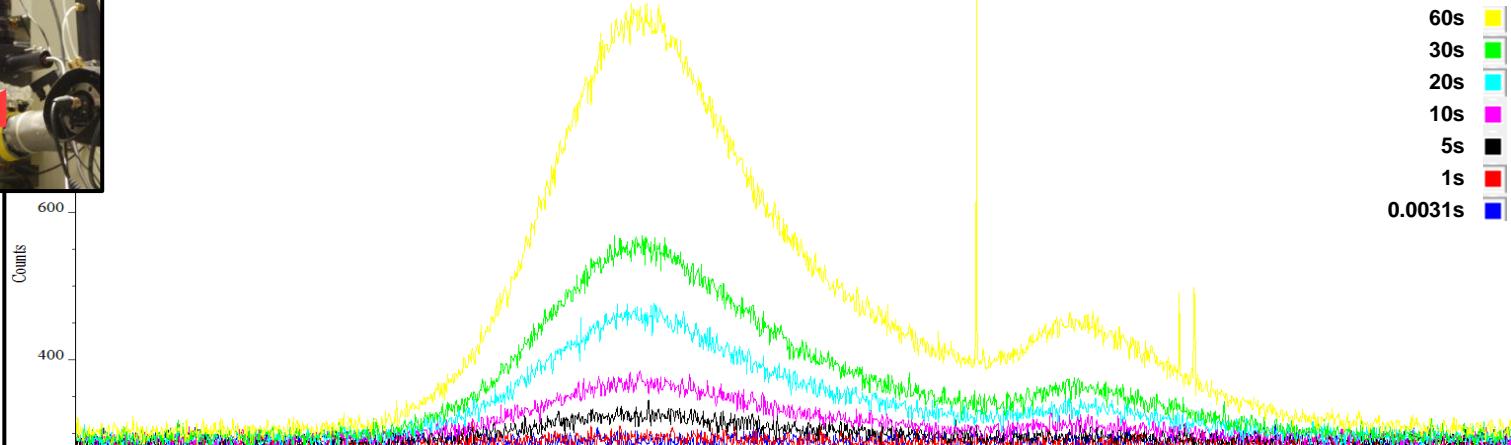


# Future Direction: *In situ* TEM Ion beam Induced Luminescence (IBIL)

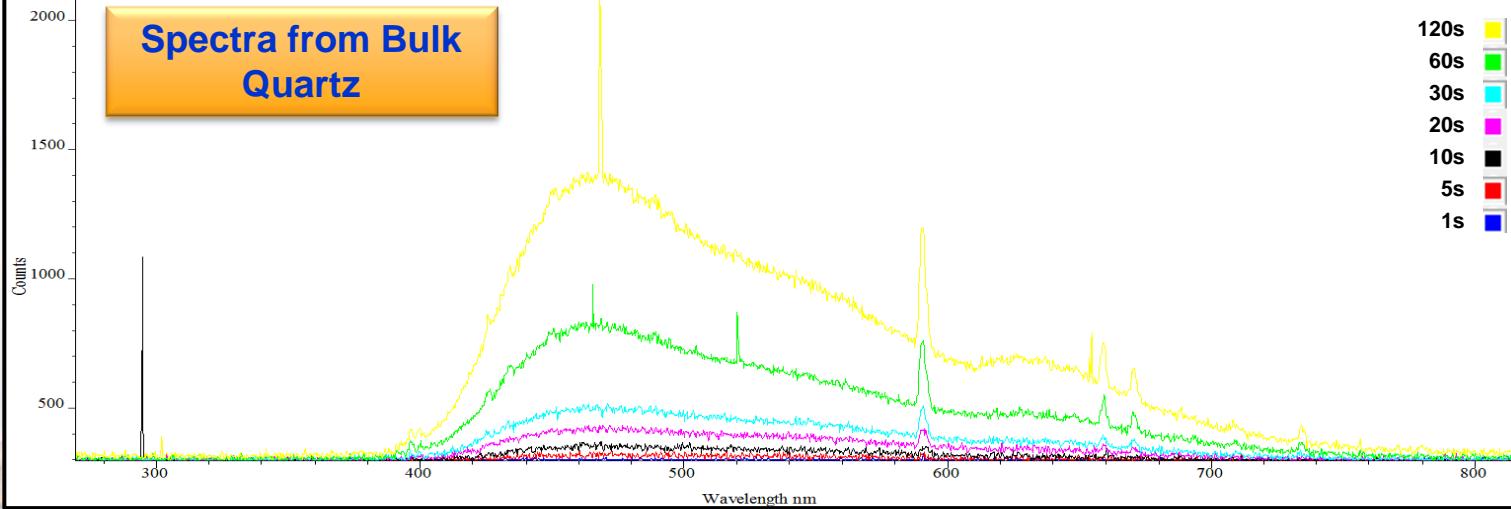
Collaborator: J. Gutierrez-Kolar



## Cathodoluminescence (CL)



## Ion Beam Induced Luminescence (IBIL)



Significant optimization is still needed; potential is promising

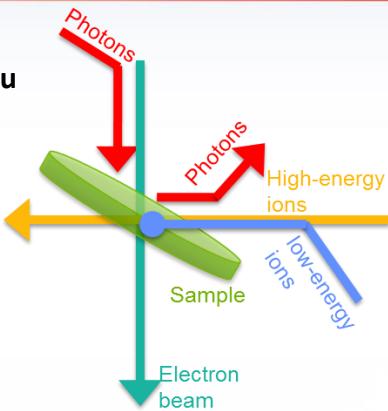


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# Summary & Still Father-out Future Directions

## Sandia's I<sup>3</sup>TEM capabilities:

- *In situ* high energy ion irradiation from H to Au
- *In situ* gas implantation
- Heating up to 1,000 °C
- Quantitative and bulk straining
- Two-port microfluidic cell
- Gas flow/heating stage
- Electron tomography
- Precession Electron Diffraction



Currently applying the current I<sup>3</sup>TEM capabilities to various material systems in sequential or combined harsh environmental conditions

## Sandia's I<sup>3</sup>TEM future capabilities being developed:

- In situ ion irradiation TEM in liquid or gas (currently capable)
- DTEM: Nanosecond resolution (laser optics being developed)
- Beamline: Add 1 MV NEC Tandem & convert 90° magnet to bend beams 45°

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