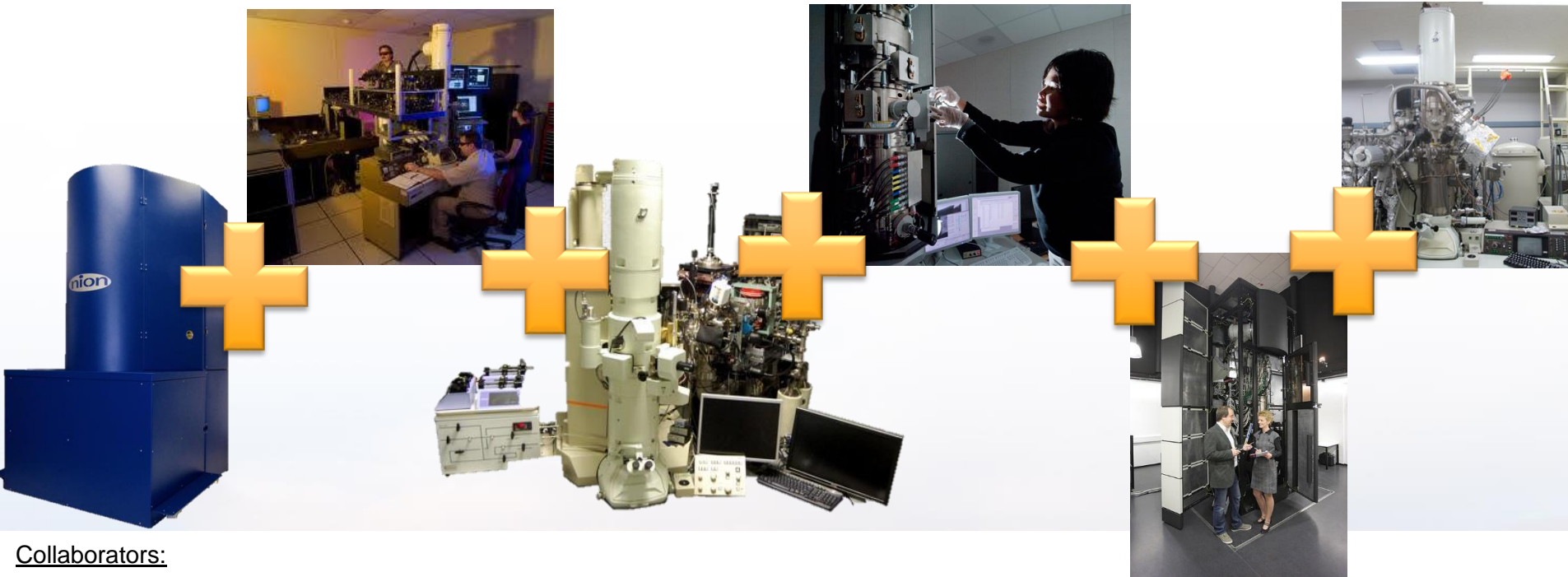


# Integrative In-situ TEM

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# Evolution of Transmission Electron Microscopy





# Benefits & Limitations of *in situ* TEM

## Benefits

1. Real-time nanoscale resolution observations of microstructural dynamics

## Limitations

1. Predominantly limited to microstructural characterization
  - Some work in thermal, optical, and mechanical properties
2. Limited to electron transparent films
  - Can often prefer surface mechanisms to bulk mechanisms
  - Local stresses state in the sample is difficult to predict
3. Electron beam effects
  - Radiolysis and Knock-on Damage
4. Vacuum conditions
  - $10^{-7}$  Torr limits gas and liquid experiments feasibility
5. Local probing
  - Portions of the world study is small

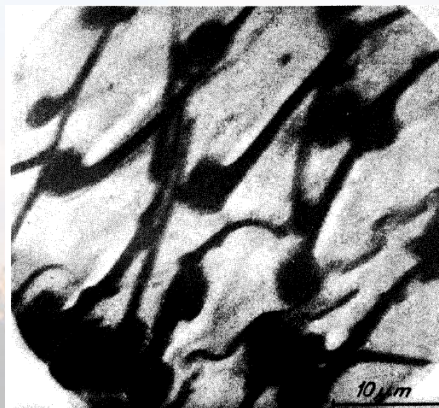


Fig. 6: Wing surface of the house fly.  
(First internal photograph,  $U = 60$  kV,  $M_e = 2200$ )  
(Dietz, E. and Müller, H.O.: Z. Wiss. Mikroskopie 52, 53-57 (1955))

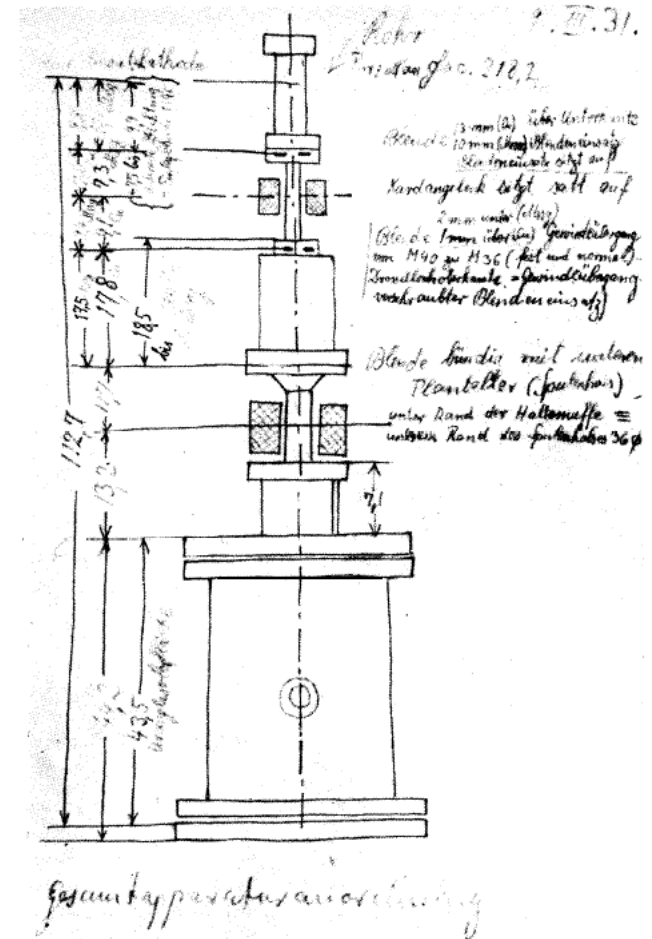
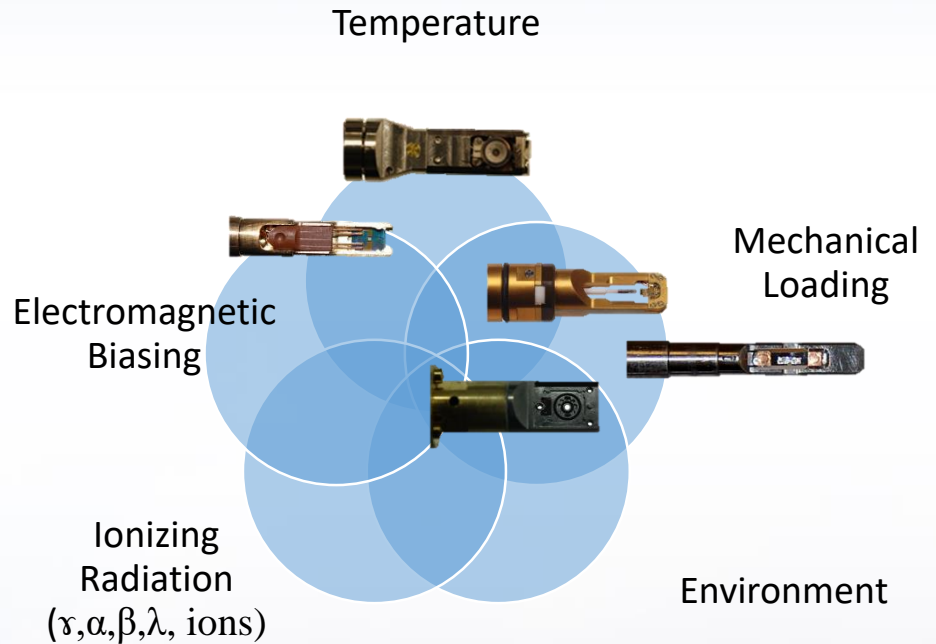
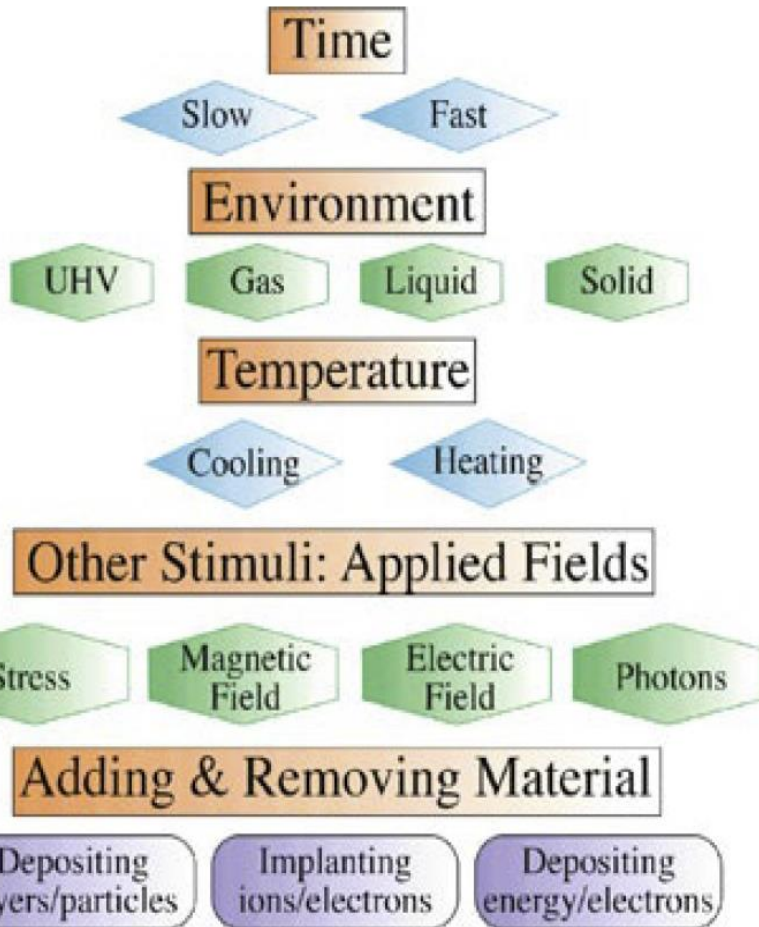


Fig. 2: Sketch by the author (9 March 1931) of the cathode ray tube for testing one-stage and two-stage electron-optical imaging by means of two magnetic electron lenses (electron microscope) [8].

# Can TEM Capabilities be Better Integrated?



“Towards an integrated materials characterization toolbox”

- I.M. Robertson et al. JMR 26(11) 2011



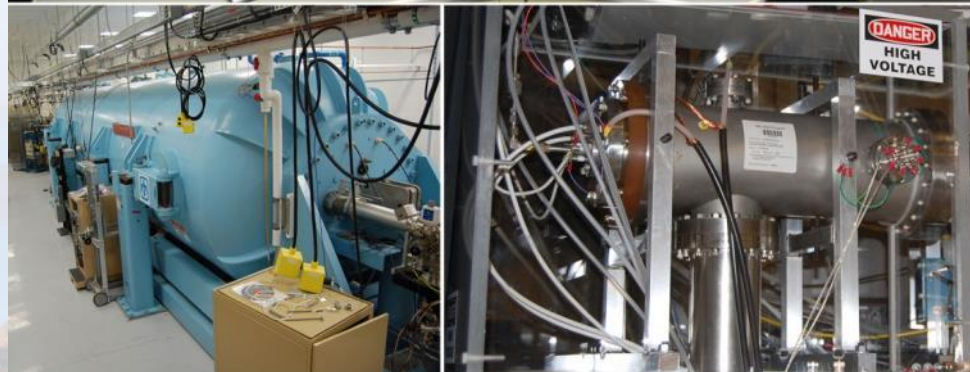
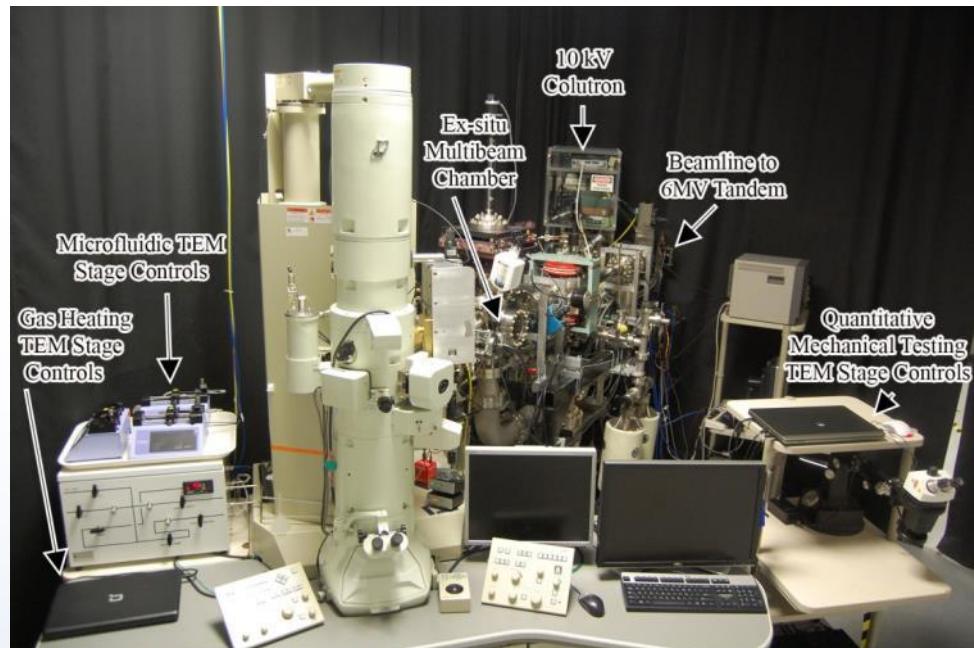
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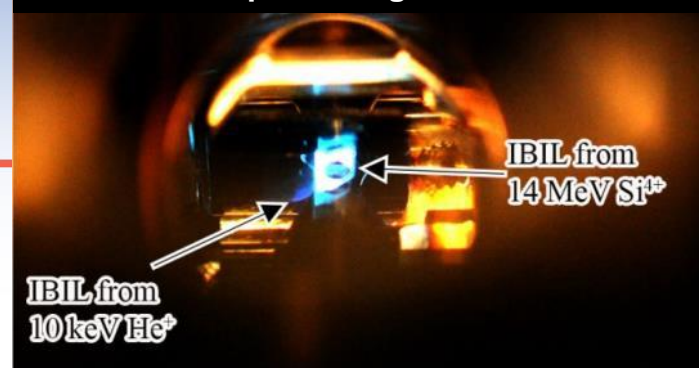
# Sandia's Concurrent *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM Facility

Collaborator: D.L. Buller

10 kV Colutron - 200 kV TEM - 6 MV Tandem

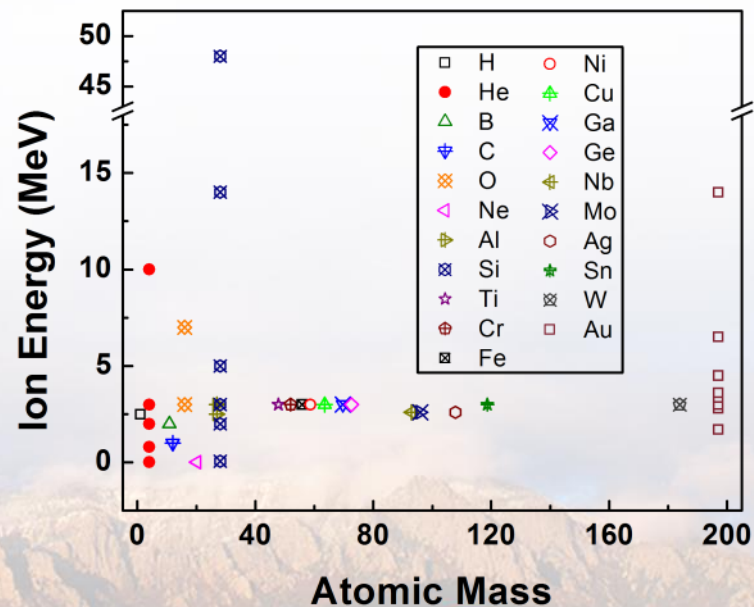


IBIL from a quartz stage inside the TEM

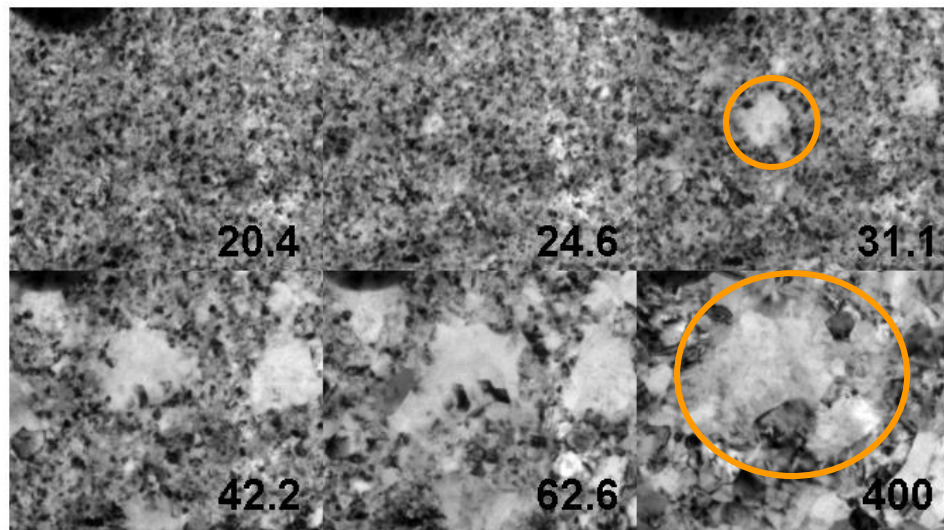


Direct real time observation  
of ion irradiation,  
ion implantation, or both  
with nanometer resolution

Ion species & energy introduced into the TEM

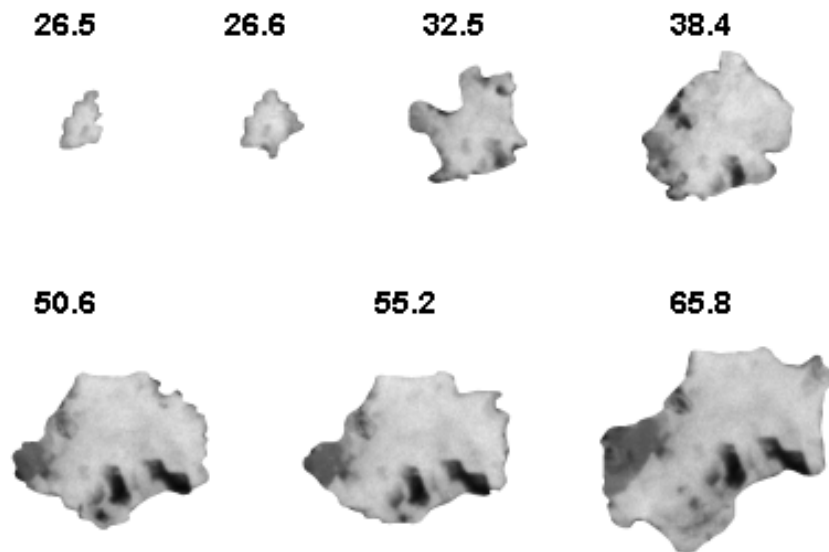


# Dynamics of Individual Grain Boundaries

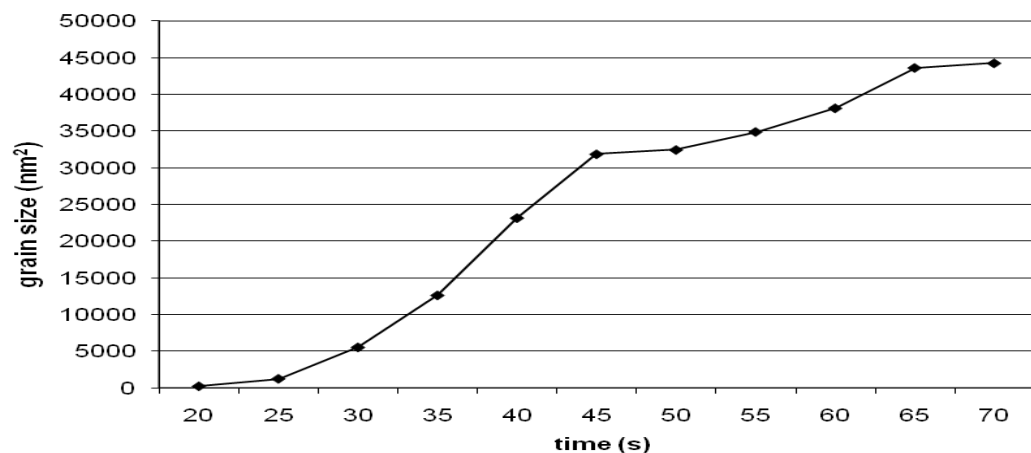


200 nm

90 nm-thick PLD Ni annealed at 350 °C



200 nm



Grain curvature does not appear to play a significant role

Kacher, Josh, et al. "Thermal stability of Ni/NiO multilayers." MaterialsScience and Engineering: A 568 (2013): 49-60.



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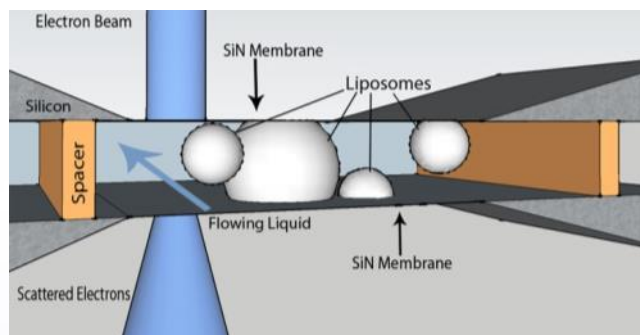
# *In situ* TEM Microfluidic Environments

Contributors: S.H. Pratt, E. Carnes, J. Brinker, D. Sasaki, D. Gross, J. Kacher, I.M. Robertson & Protochips Inc.

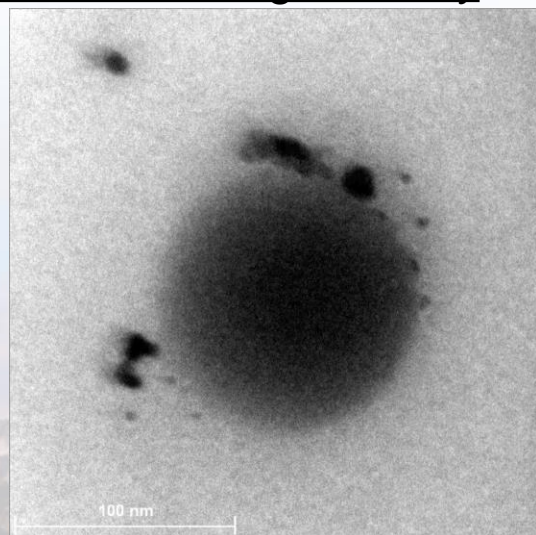
## Microfluidic Stage

- Mixing of two or more channels
- Continuous observation of the reaction channel
- Chamber dimensions are controllable

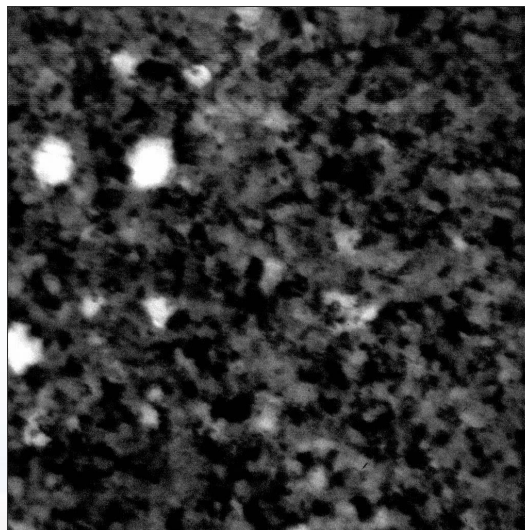
*In situ* microfluidic TEM can provide insight in events as diverse as corrosion and drug delivery



## Protocell Drug Delivery



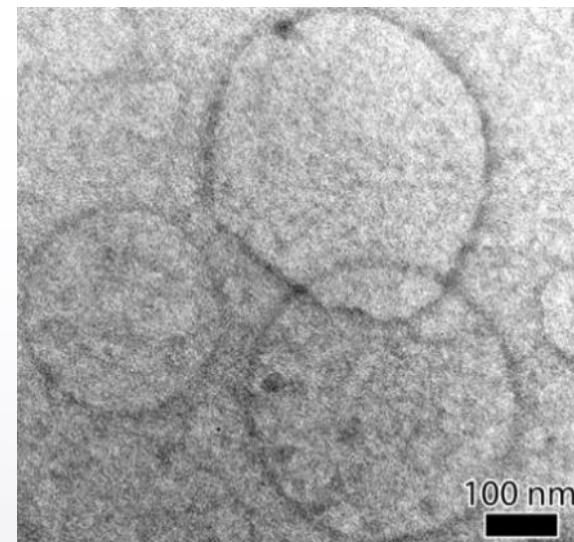
## Fe Corrosion



Dilute flow of acetic acid over  
99.95% nc-PLD Fe

We hope to go a step further and use the channel for  
implantation and irradiation environments

## Liposomes in Water



Liposomes imaged in  
flowing  
aqueous channel

Liposome  
encapsulated  
Silica  
destroyed by  
the electron



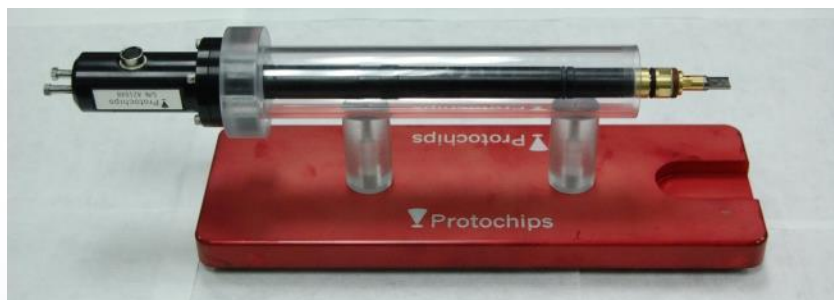
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# *In situ* TEM Gas Environments

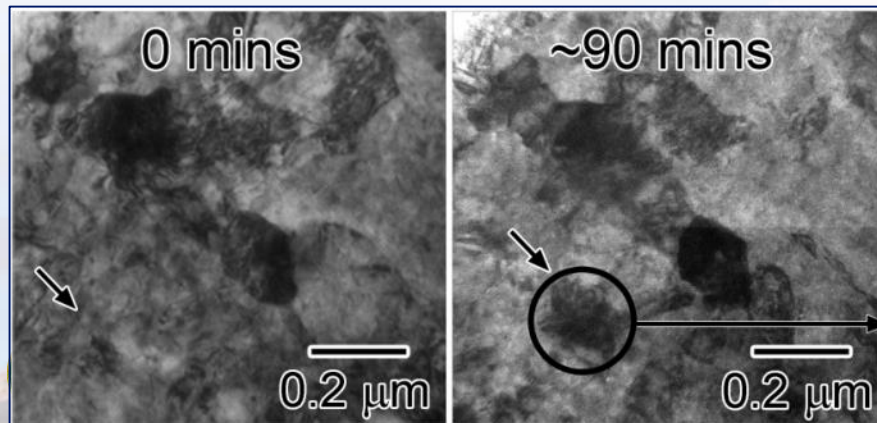
Contributors: B.G. Clark, S. Rajasekhara, P.J. Cappillino, B.W. Jacobs, M.A. Hekmaty, D.B. Robinson, L.R. Parent, I. Arslan. & Protochips, Inc.

## Vapor-Phase Heating TEM Stage

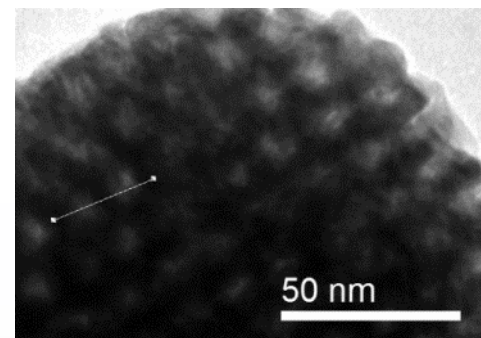
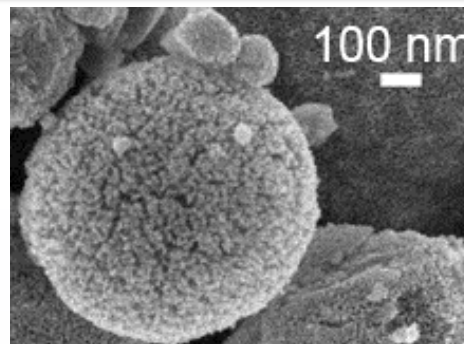
- Compatible with a range of gases
- *In situ* resistive heating
- Continuous observation of the reaction channel
- Chamber dimensions are controllable
- Compatible with MS and other analytical tools



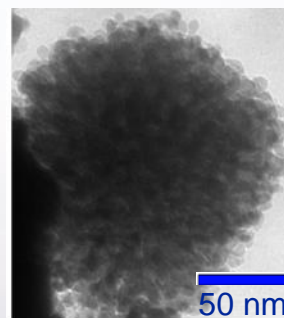
Absolute hydrogen pressure: 327 torr,  
Ramp rate: 1 °C/s, Final temperature: ~ 400 C,



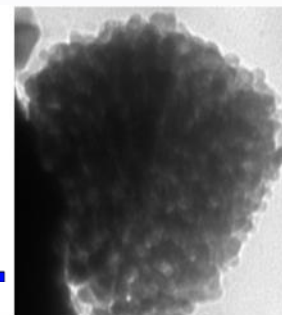
New *in situ* atmospheric heating experiments provide great insight into range of environmental studies



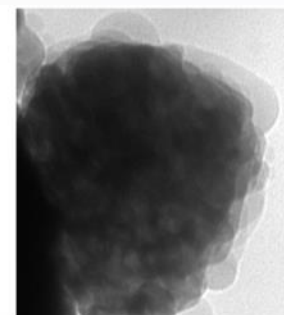
- 1 atm H<sub>2</sub> after several pulses to specified temp.



125°



200°



300°

Even greater potential is envisioned when it is combined with *in situ* ion irradiation.



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# Laser Initiation Heating, Induced Reactions, and Sintering

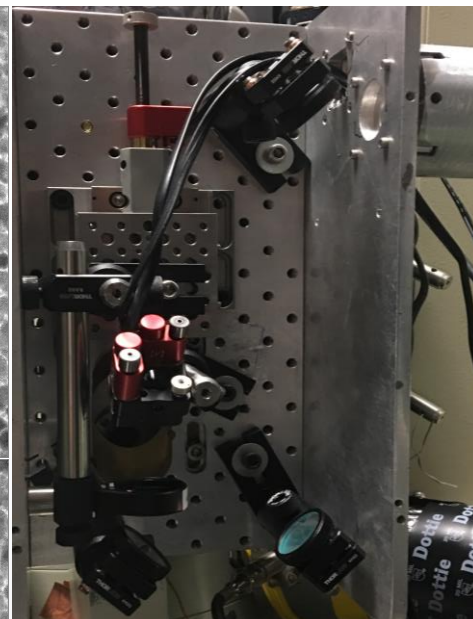
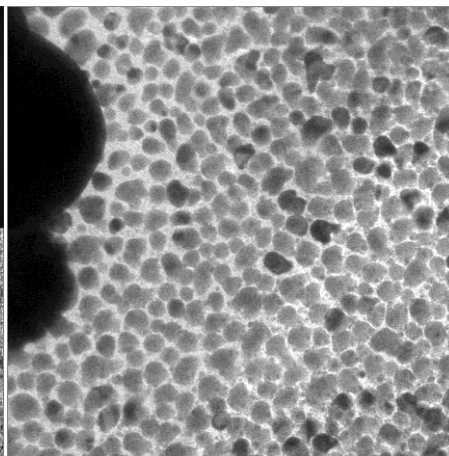
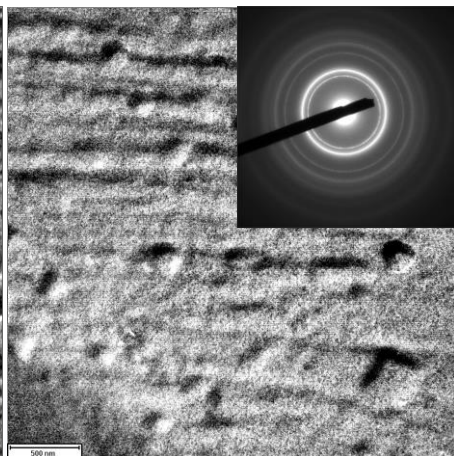
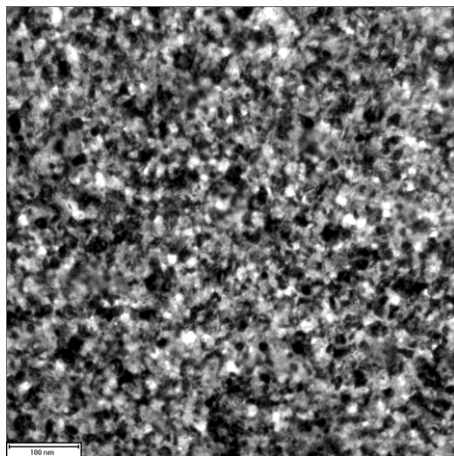
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Pt Grain Growth

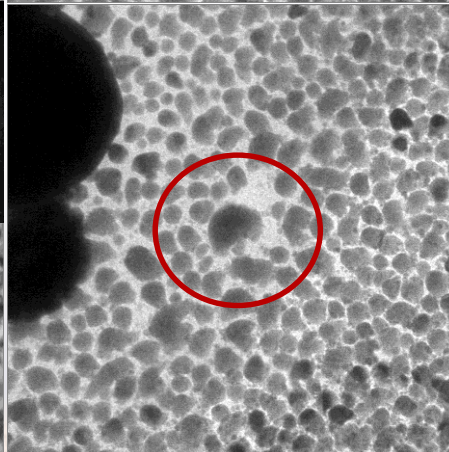
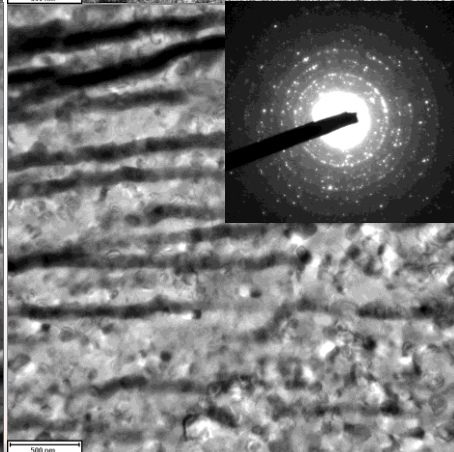
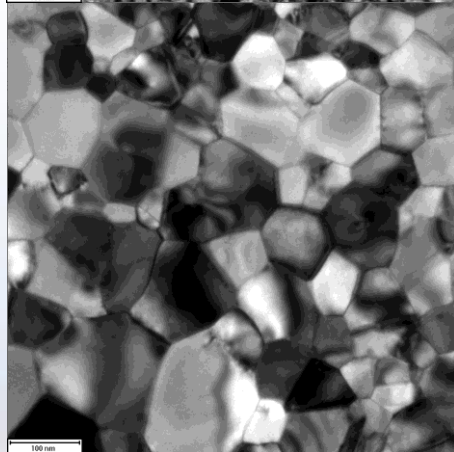
Reactive Multilayer Films

Nanoparticle Sintering

Before



After



In-situ Laser Modification and Characterization of Materials in the TEM  
Wednesday 10/11/ 2017 at 4:40 PM in Convention Center 303

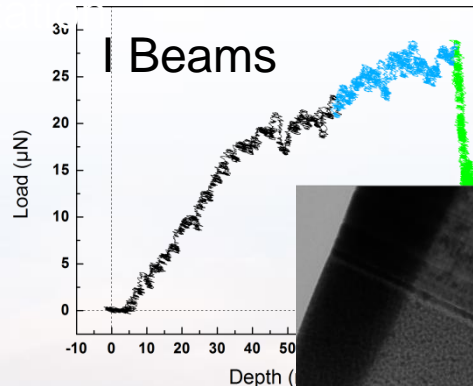
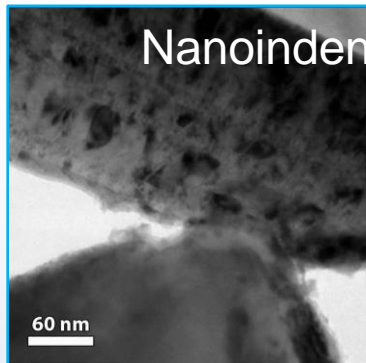
# *In situ* Quantitative Mechanical Testing

Contributors: J. Sharon, B. L. Boyce, C. Chisholm, H. Bei, E.P. George, P. Hosemann, A.M. Minor, & Hysitron Inc.



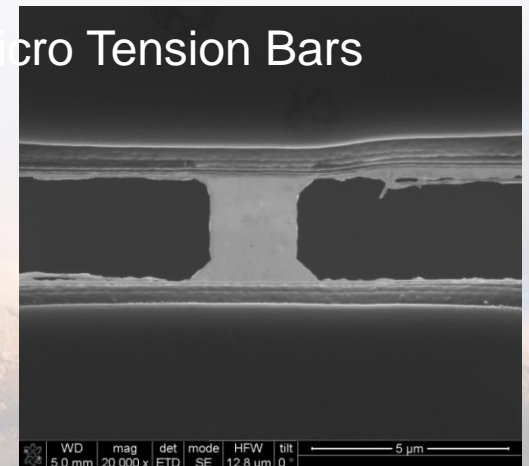
Hysitron PI95 *In Situ* Nanoindentation TEM Holder

- Sub nanometer displacement resolution
- Quantitative force information with  $\mu\text{N}$  resolution
- **Concurrent real-time imaging by TEM**

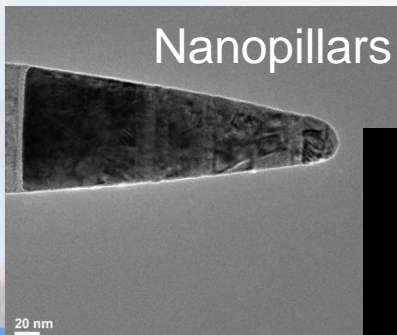


Notched Bar

Micro Tension Bars



Nanopillars





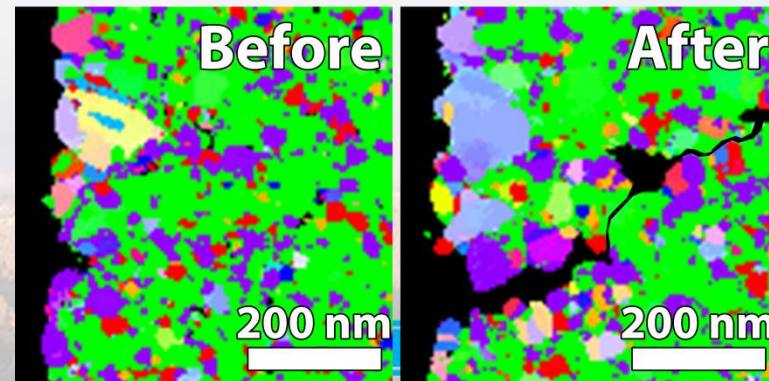
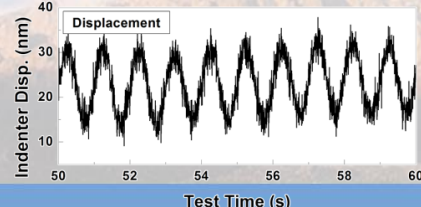
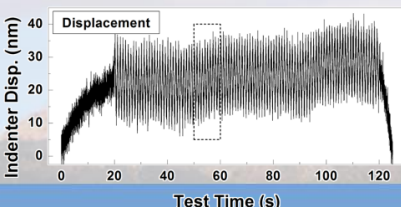
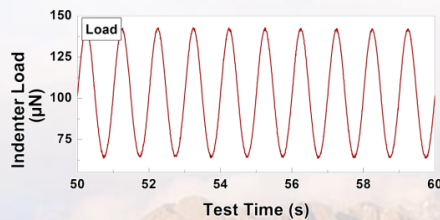
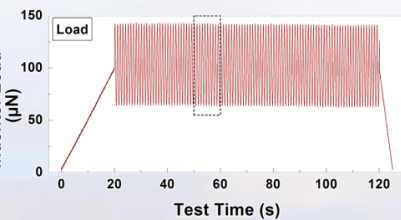
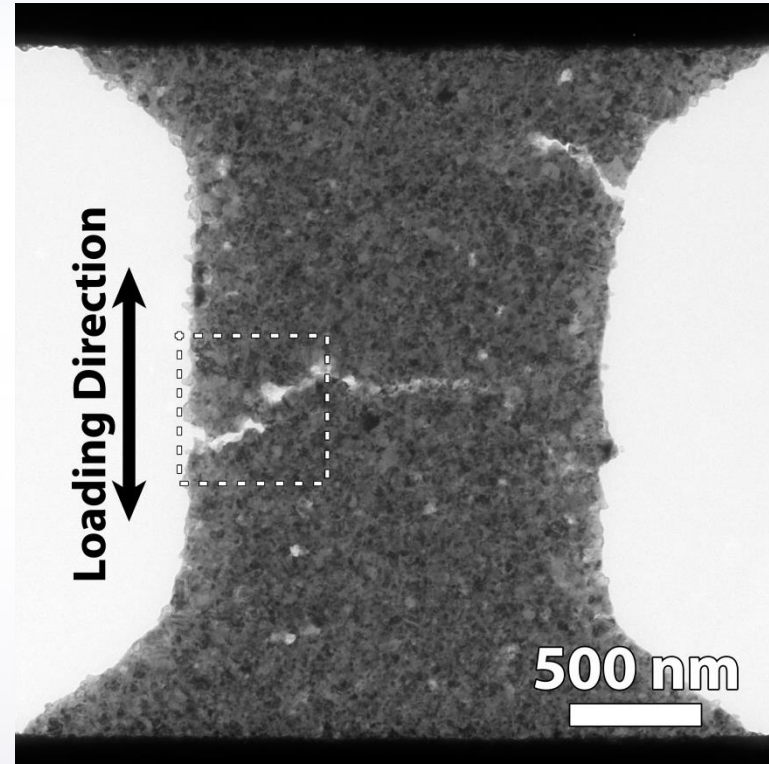
# *In situ* TEM Quantitative Fatigue Testing

Contributors: D.C. Bufford, D. Stauffer, W. Mook

3x playback speed



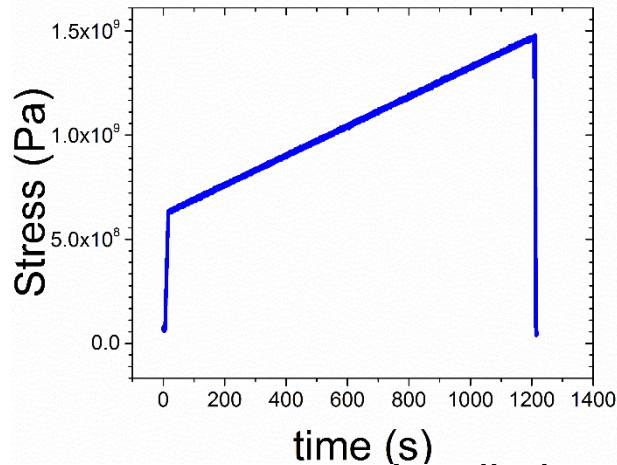
*High cycle  
fatigue in  
real time with  
nanometer  
resolution*



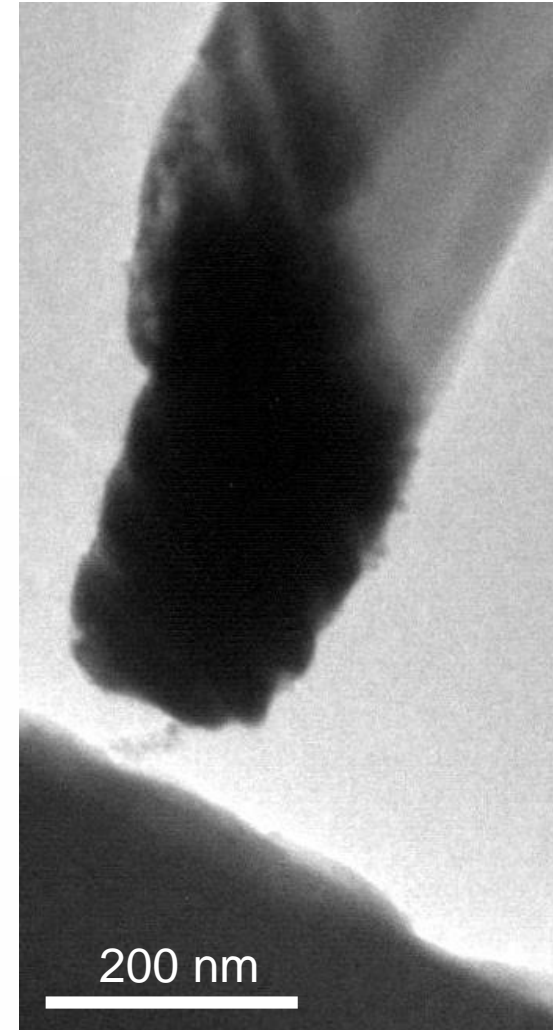
# Irradiation Creep (4 MeV Cu<sup>3+</sup> 10<sup>-2</sup> DPA/s)

Contributors: S. Dillon & R.S. Averback

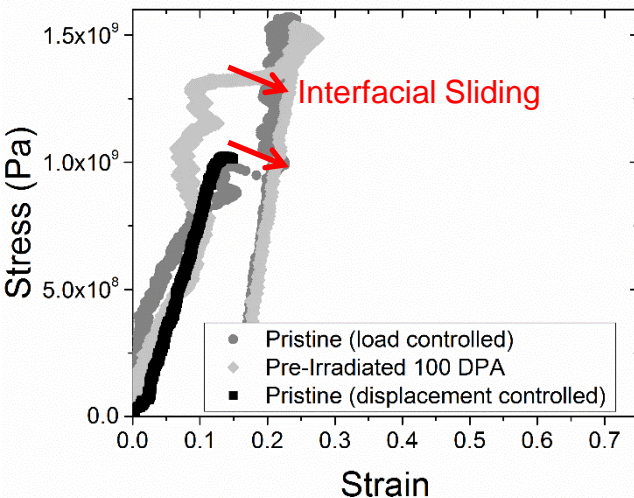
## Controlled Loading Rate Experiments



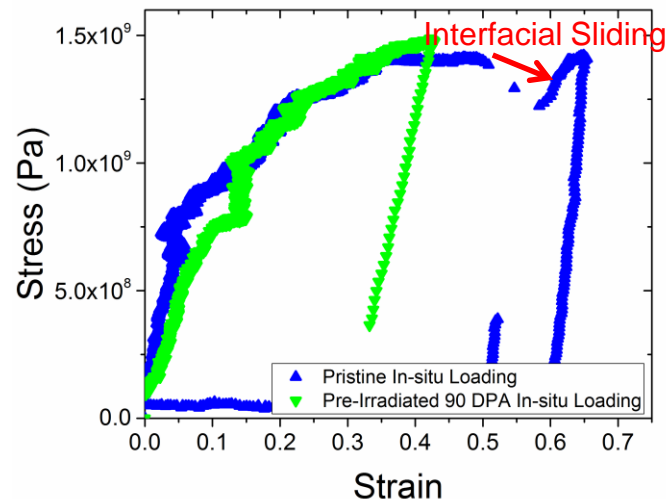
50 nm Cu-W multilayer  
20 Min



No Irradiation  
(Loading rate 0.6 Mpa s<sup>-1</sup>)



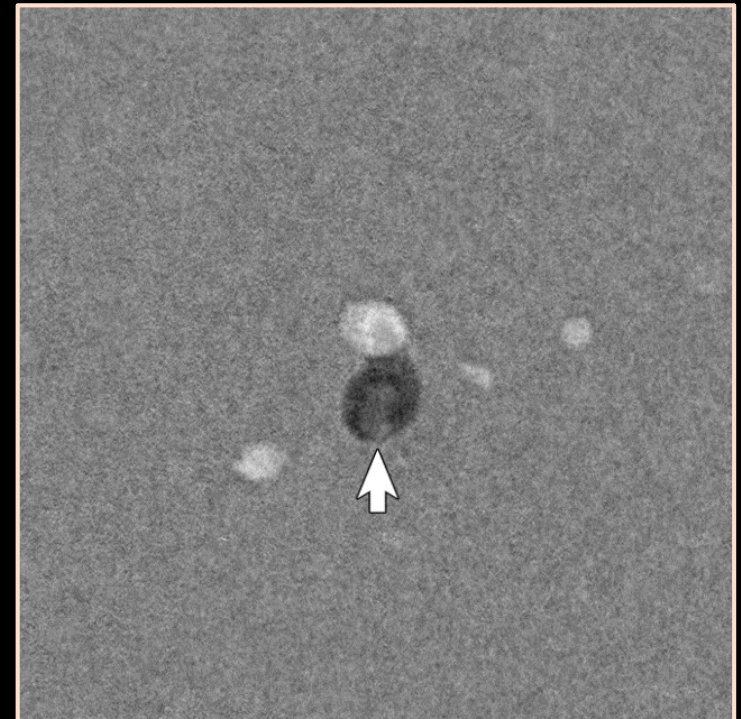
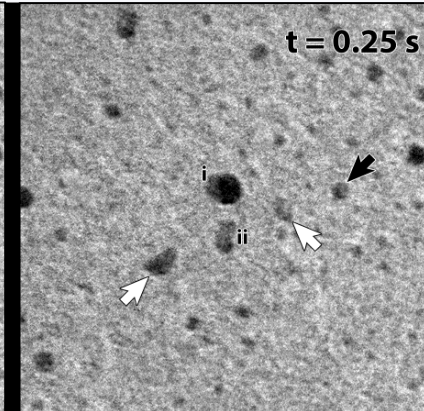
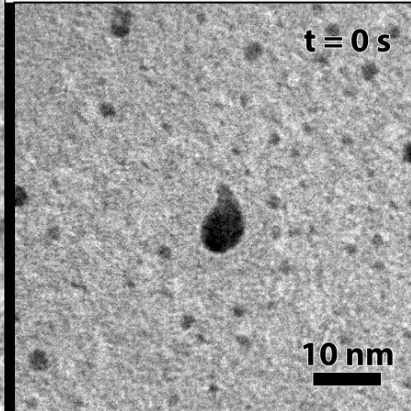
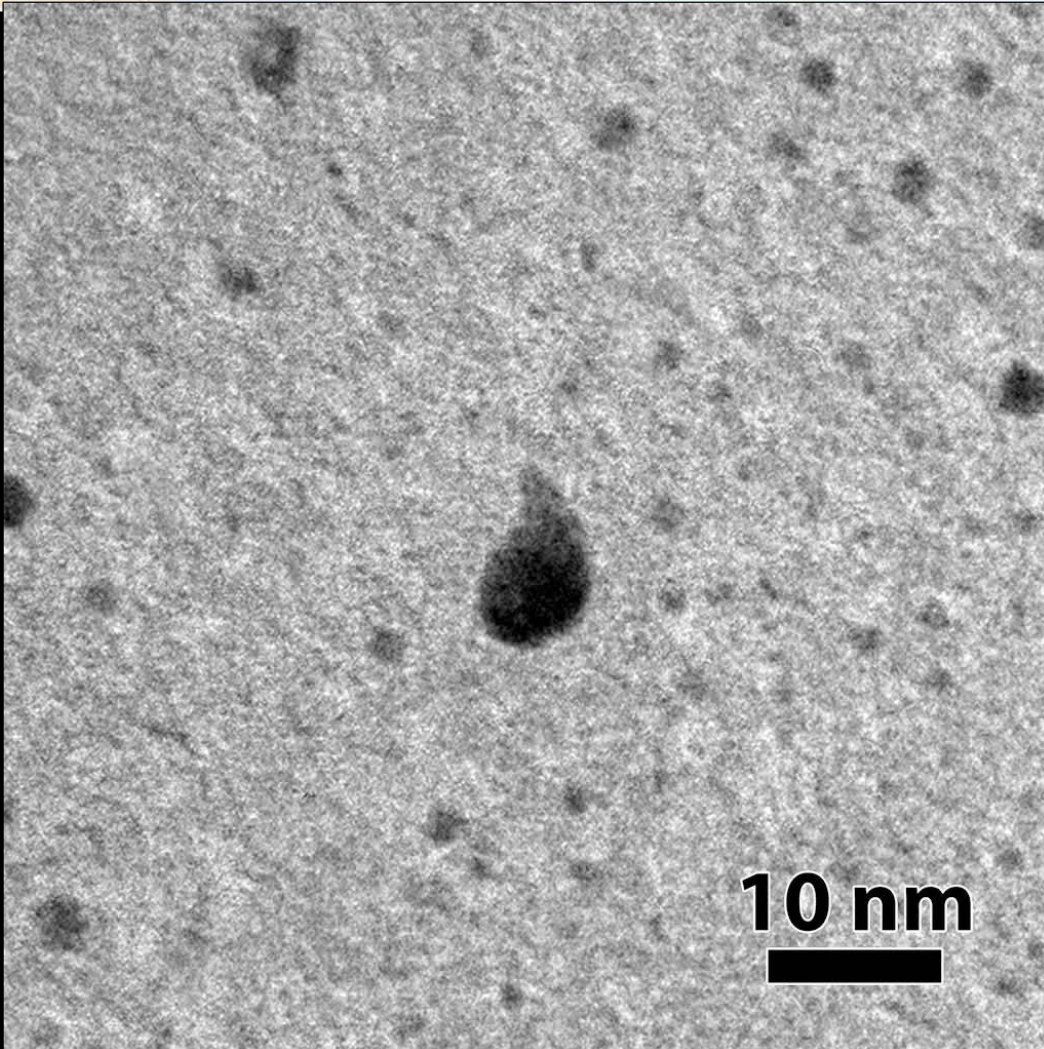
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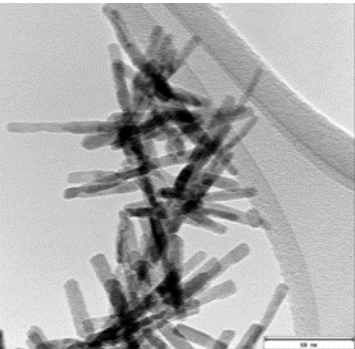
# Single Ion Strikes: 46 keV $\text{Au}^{1-}$ ions into 5 nm Au nanoparticles

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford





# Radiation Tolerance is Needed in Advanced Scintillators for Non-proliferation Applications



High-Z nanoparticles ( $\text{CdWO}_4$ ) are promising, but are radiation sensitive

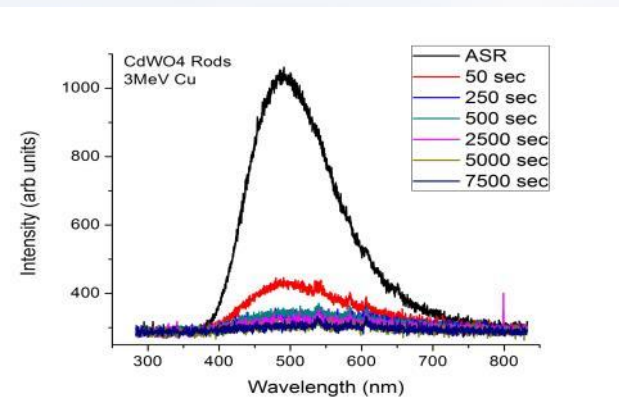
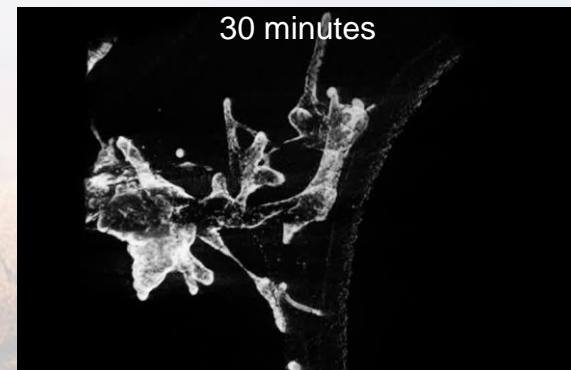
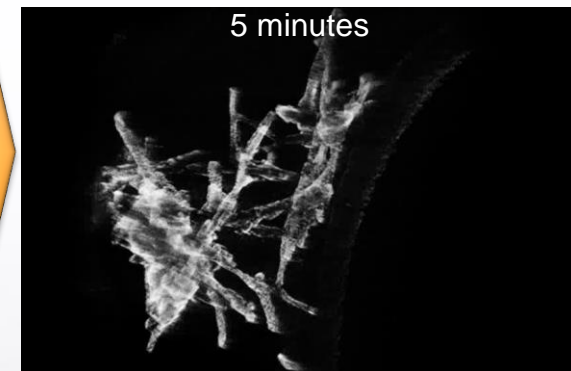
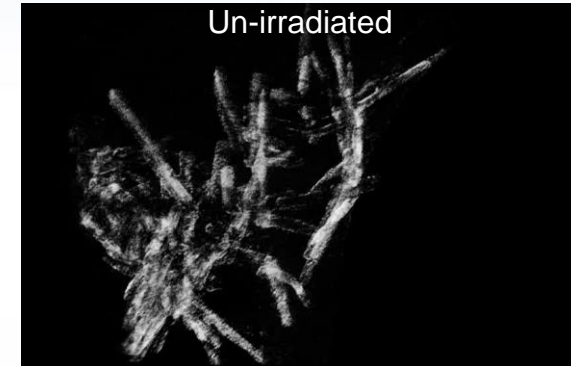
*In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM ( $\text{I}^3\text{TEM}$ )



Hummingbird tomography stage



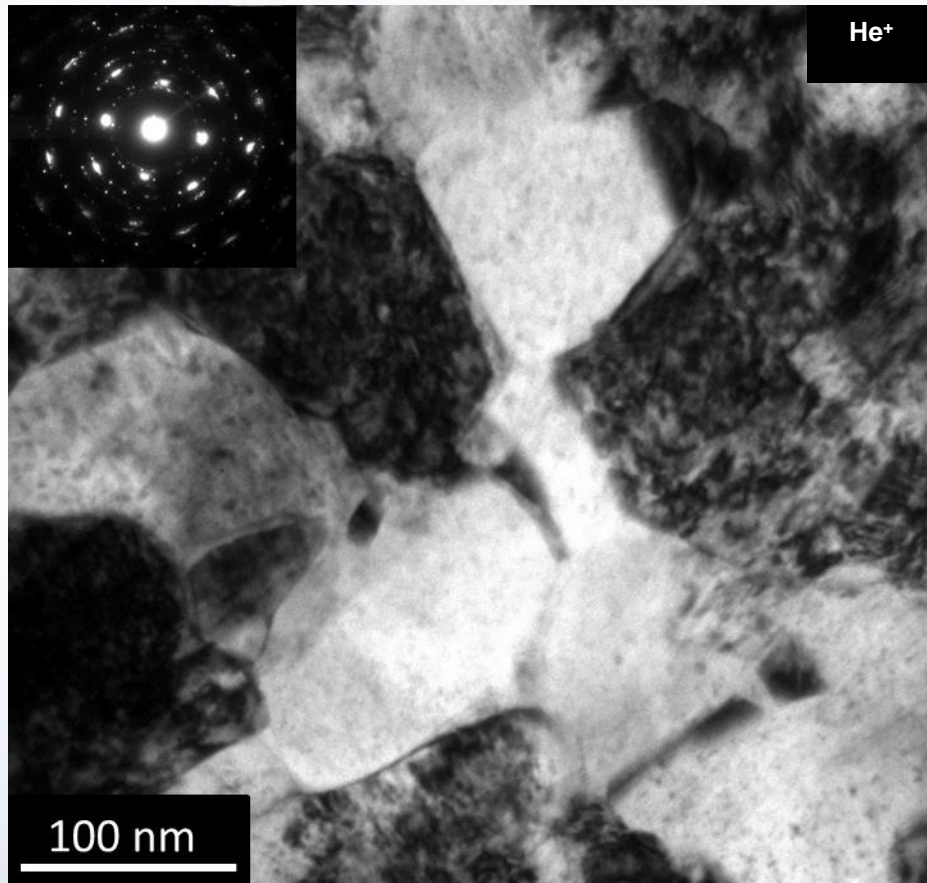
Tomography of Irradiated  $\text{CdWO}_4$ :  
3 MeV  $\text{Cu}^{3+}$  at ~30 nA





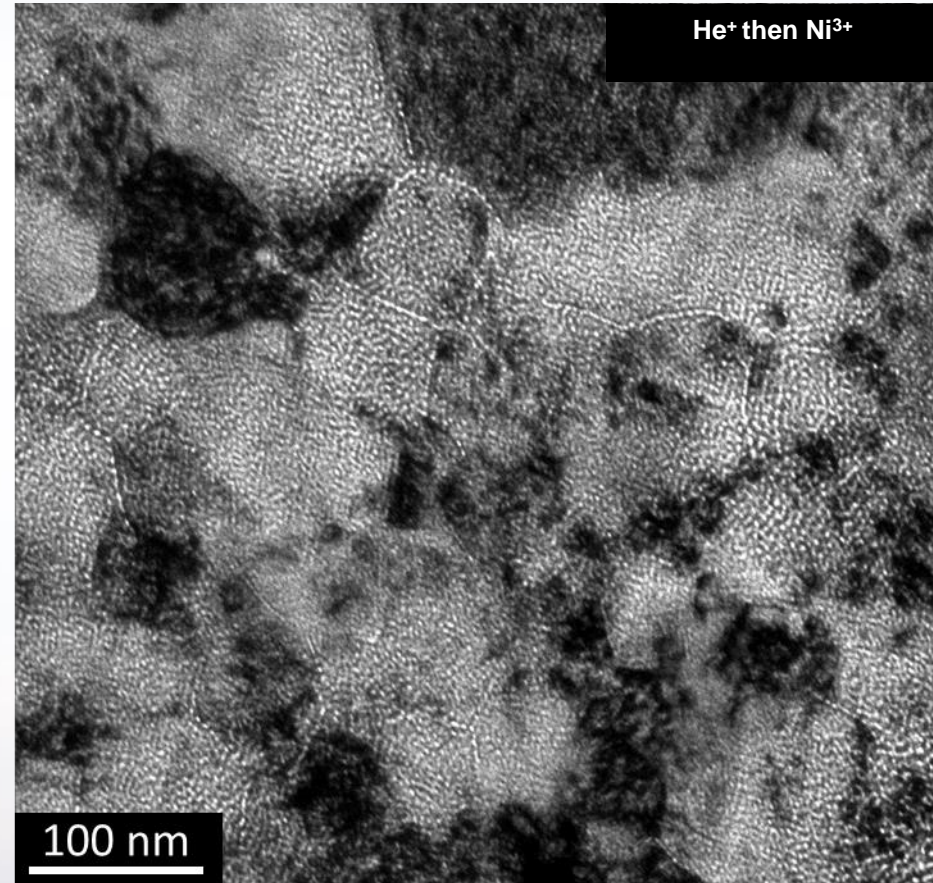
# 10 keV He<sup>+</sup> Implantation followed by 3 MeV Ni<sup>3+</sup> Irradiation

Collaborator: B. Muntifering & J. Qu



10<sup>17</sup> He<sup>+</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>

Visible damage to the sample

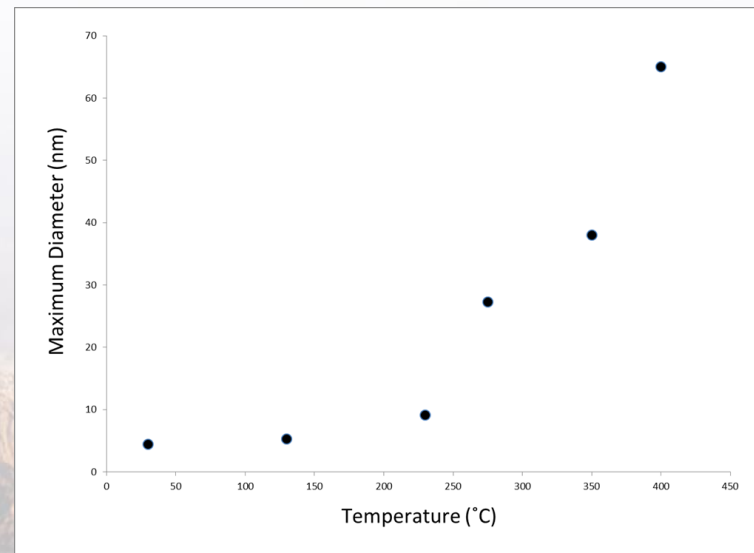
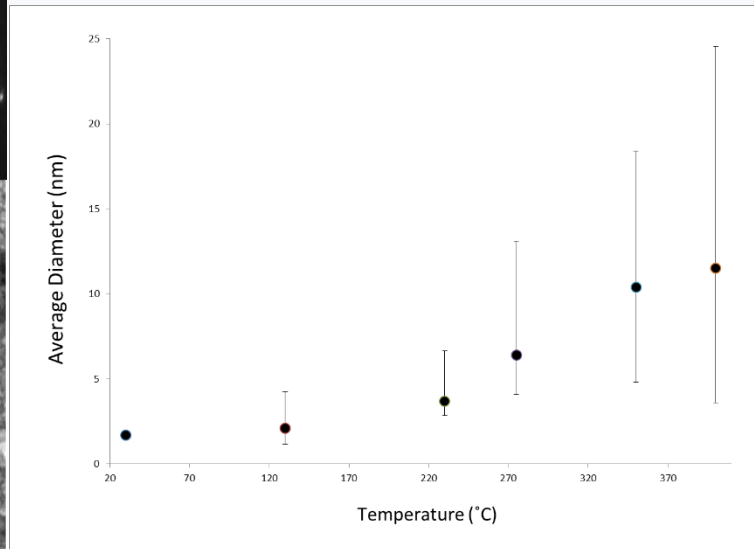
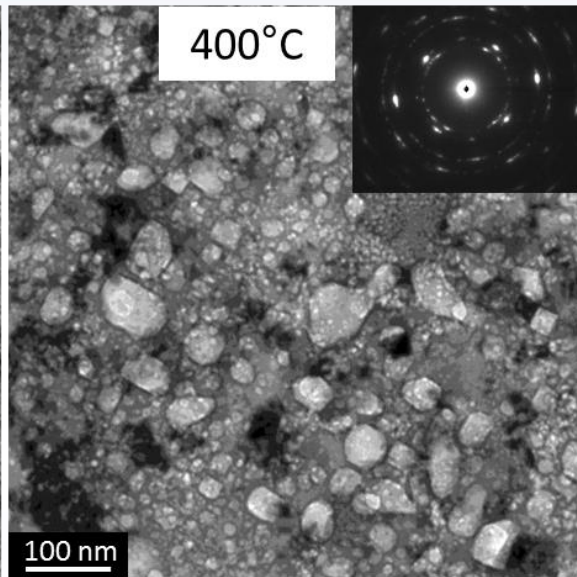
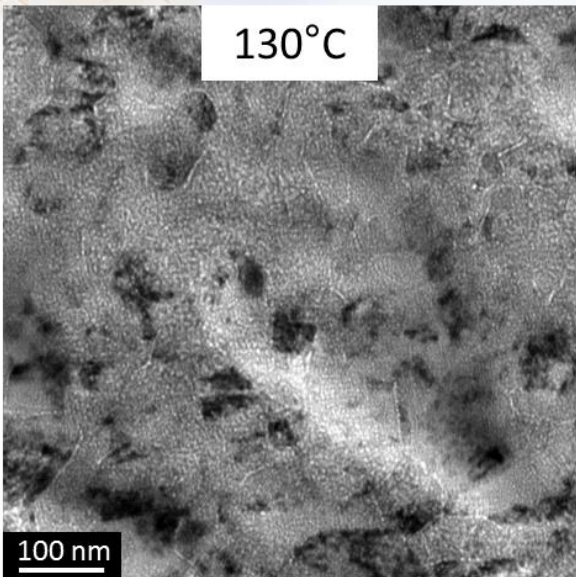


0.7 dpa Ni<sup>3+</sup> irradiation

High concentration of cavities along  
grain boundaries



# Cavity Growth during In-situ Annealing of 10 keV He<sup>+</sup> Implanted and then 3 MeV Irradiated Ni<sup>3+</sup>



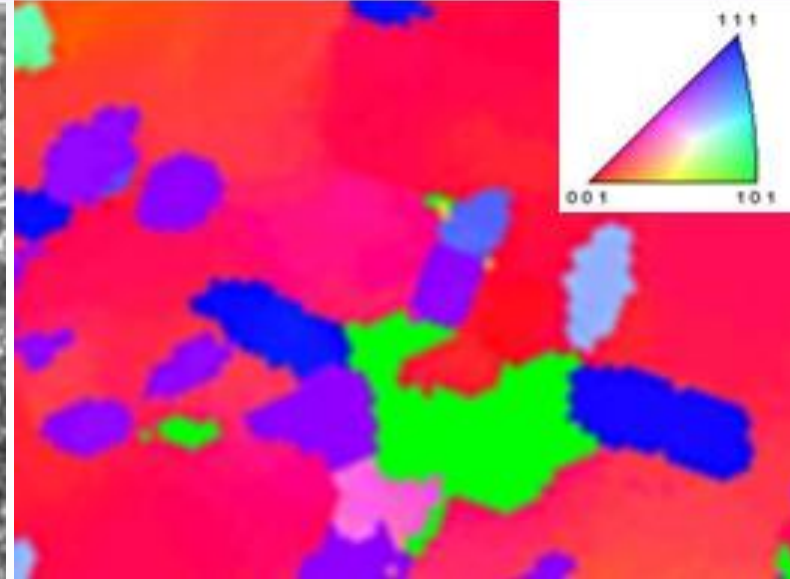
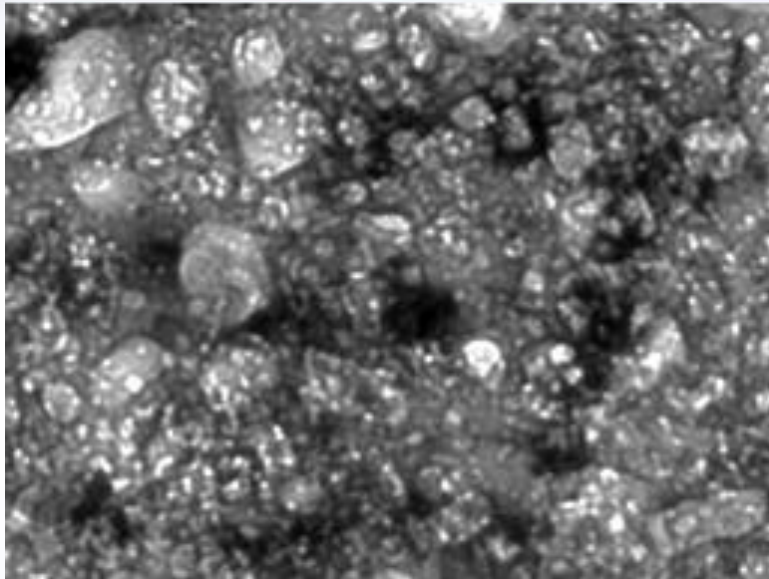
Bubble to cavity transition and cavity evolution can be directly studied



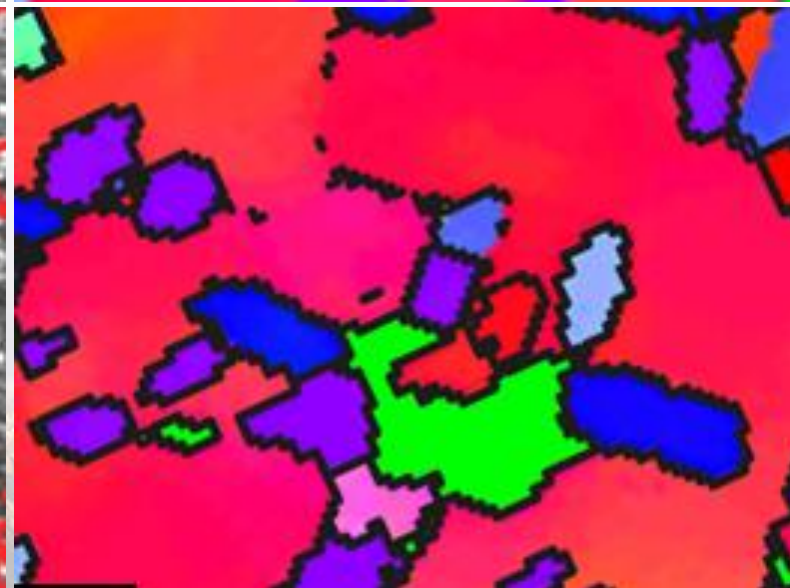
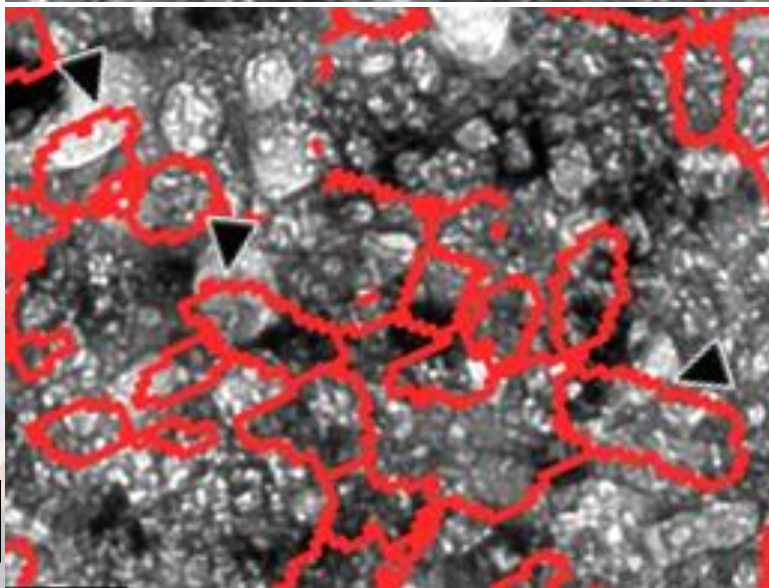


# Precession Electron Diffraction Reveals Hidden Grain Structure

Cavities in  
helium  
implanted,  
self-ion  
irradiated,  
nc nickel film  
annealed to  
400 °C

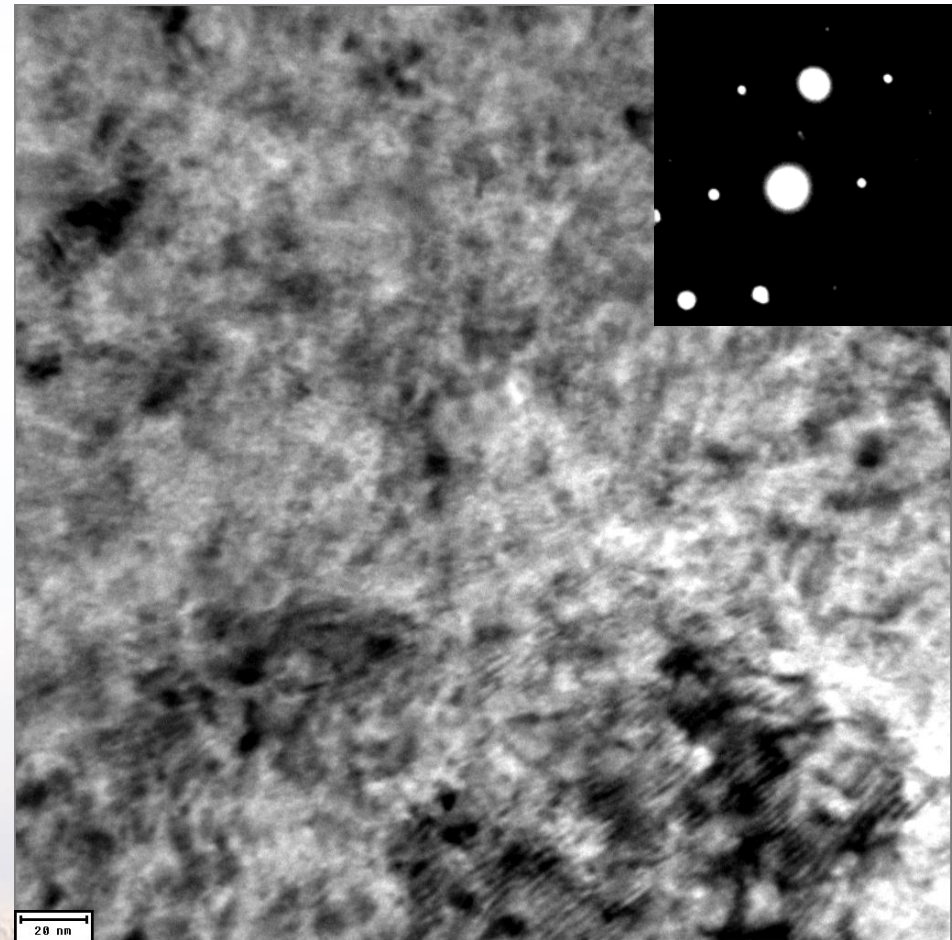
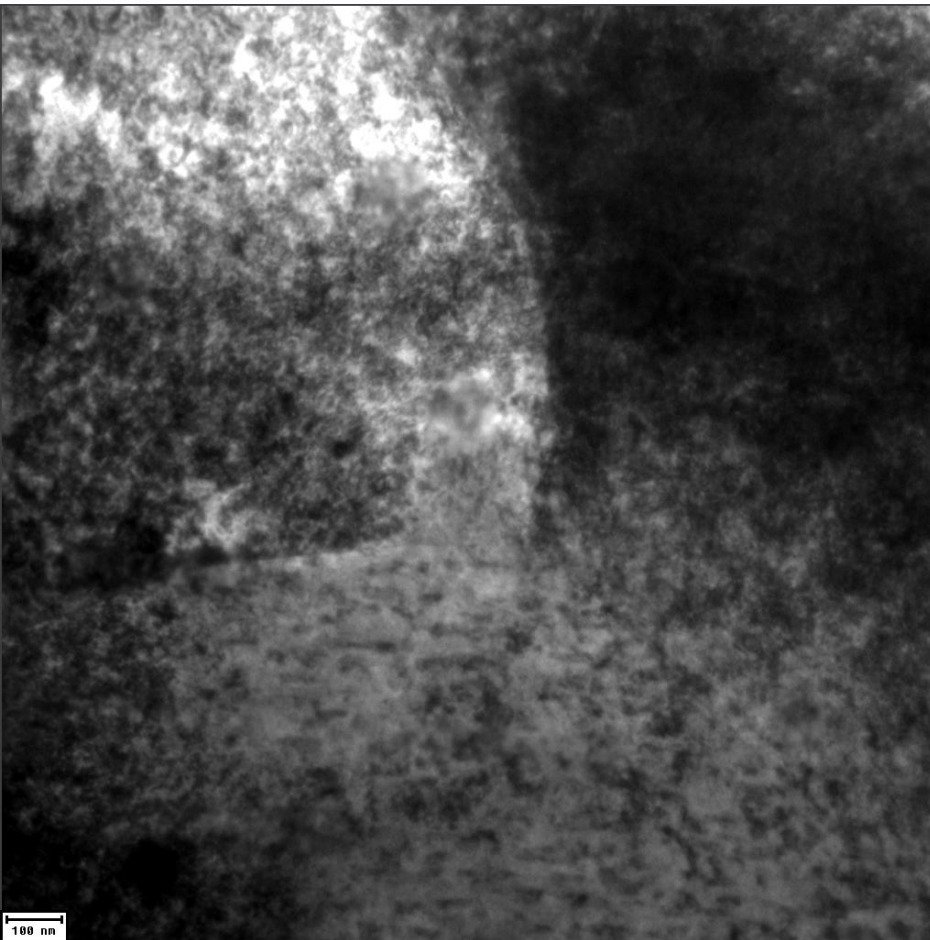


Cavities  
span  
multiple  
grains at  
identified  
grain  
boundaries



100 nm

# Concurrent D & He Implantation & Zr Irradiation into Zr-4 at 310 C



After Implantation/Irradiation  
Significant Damage, but No Cavities

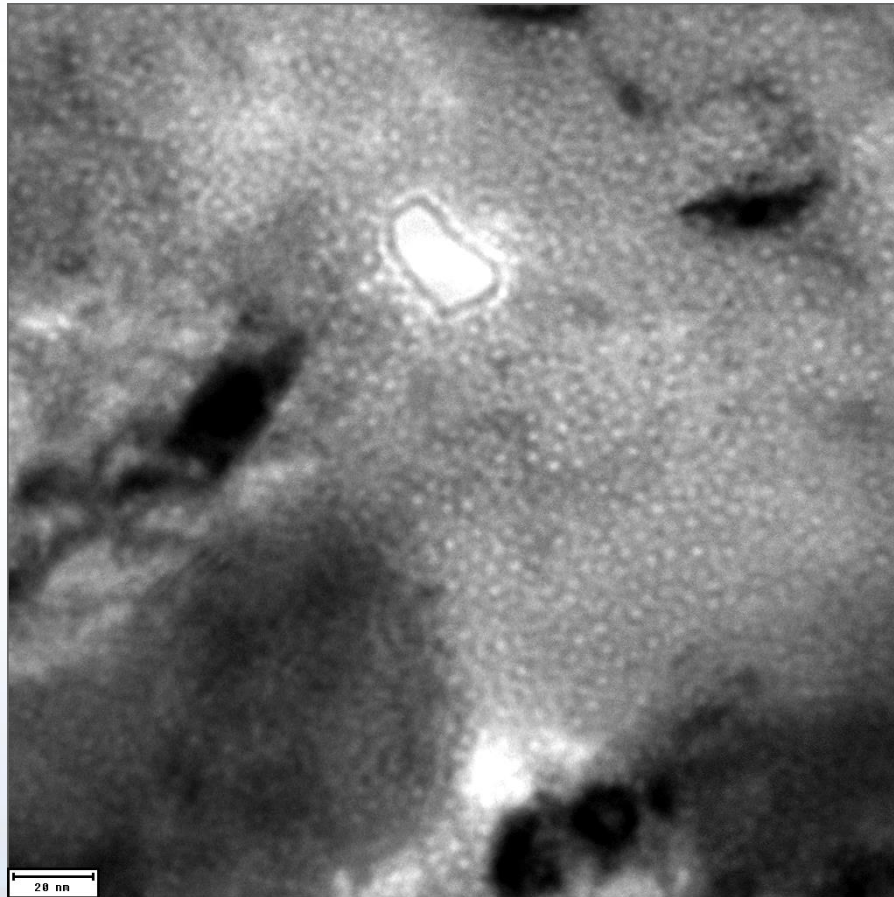
Two Beam  $g = 1\bar{1}01$



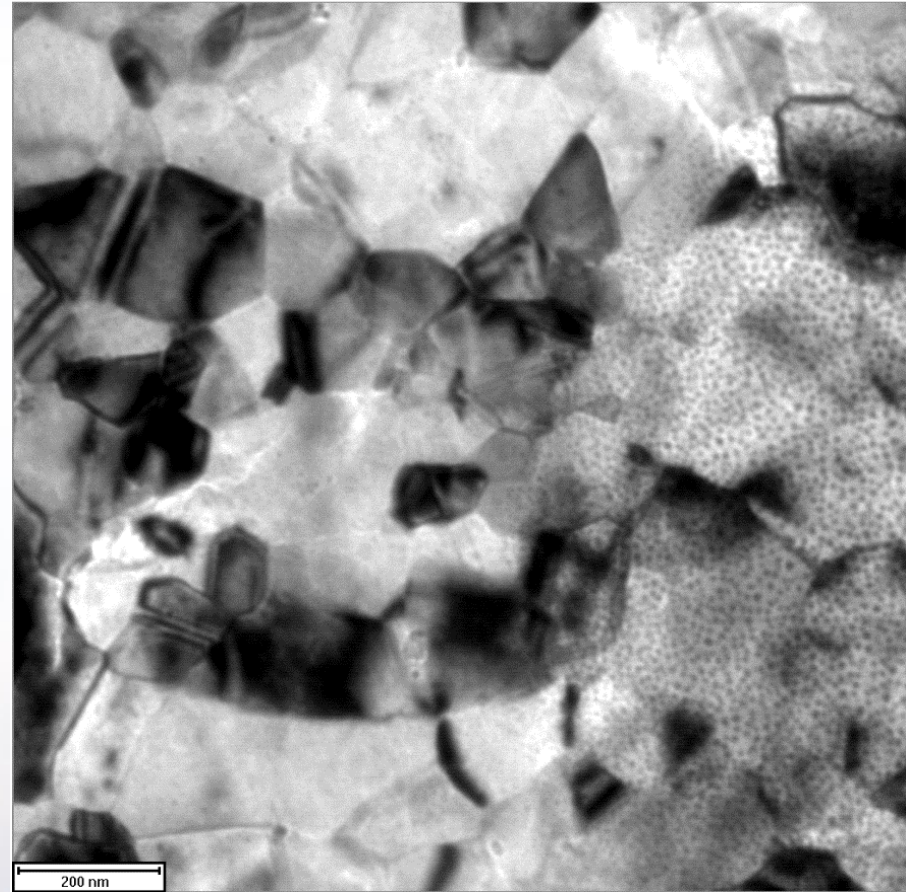
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# Cautionary Tale: *In situ* Effects Should Never Be Assumed Negligible



Post Examination: Through Focus Images 30 Days After the Concurrent *In situ* D & He Implantation & Zr Irradiation into Zr-4 at 310 C



Post Examination: Low Magnification After Annealing 400 °C and  $\text{He}^+ + \text{Ni}^{3+}$



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# Cautionary Tale: “Johannes Factotum”

- 1592 Robert Greene *Groats-Worth of Wit*

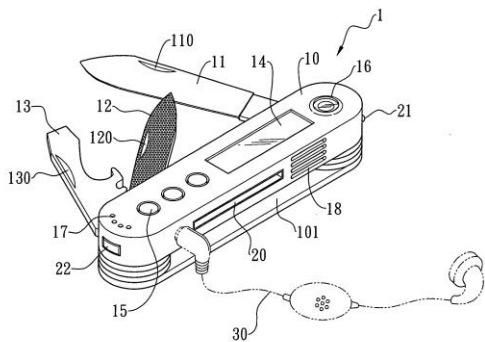
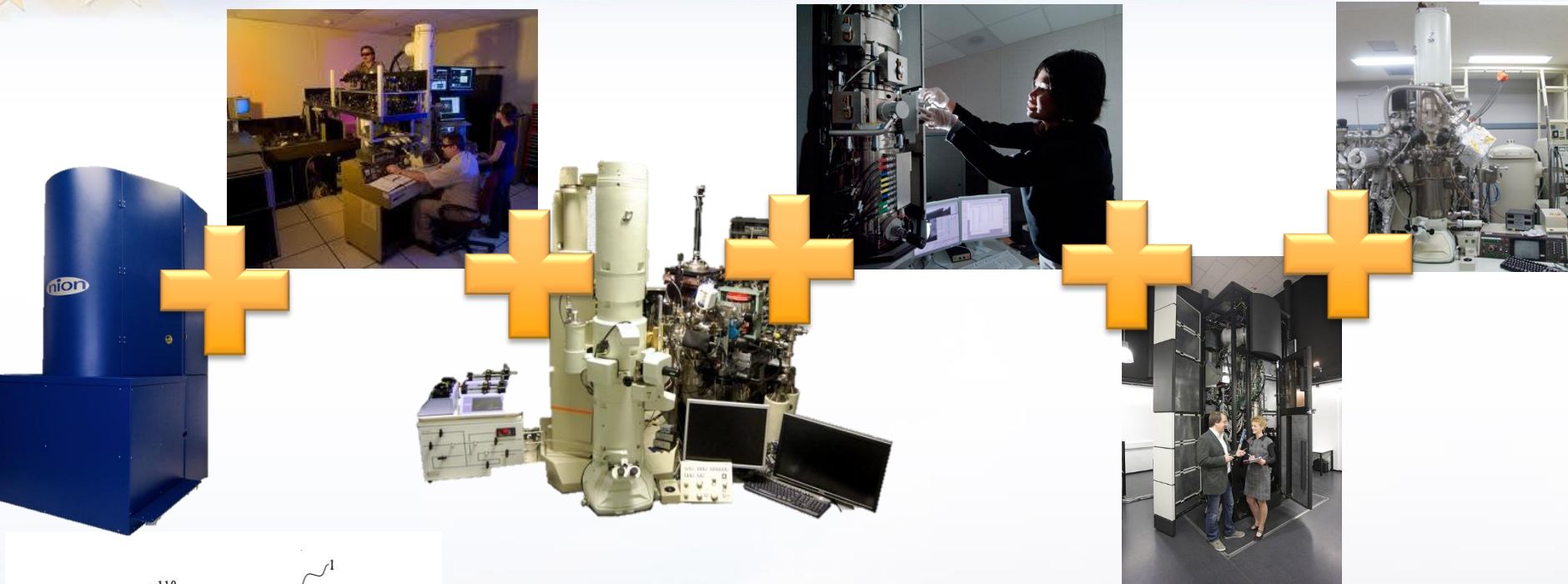


FIG. 3

M.-H. Yeh, “Knife Structure” US20060087845 A1



Chimera, Bellerophon and Pegasus, Athenian black-figure siana cup C6th B.C., Musée du Louvre

Can a tool do  
everything &  
Do anything  
well?



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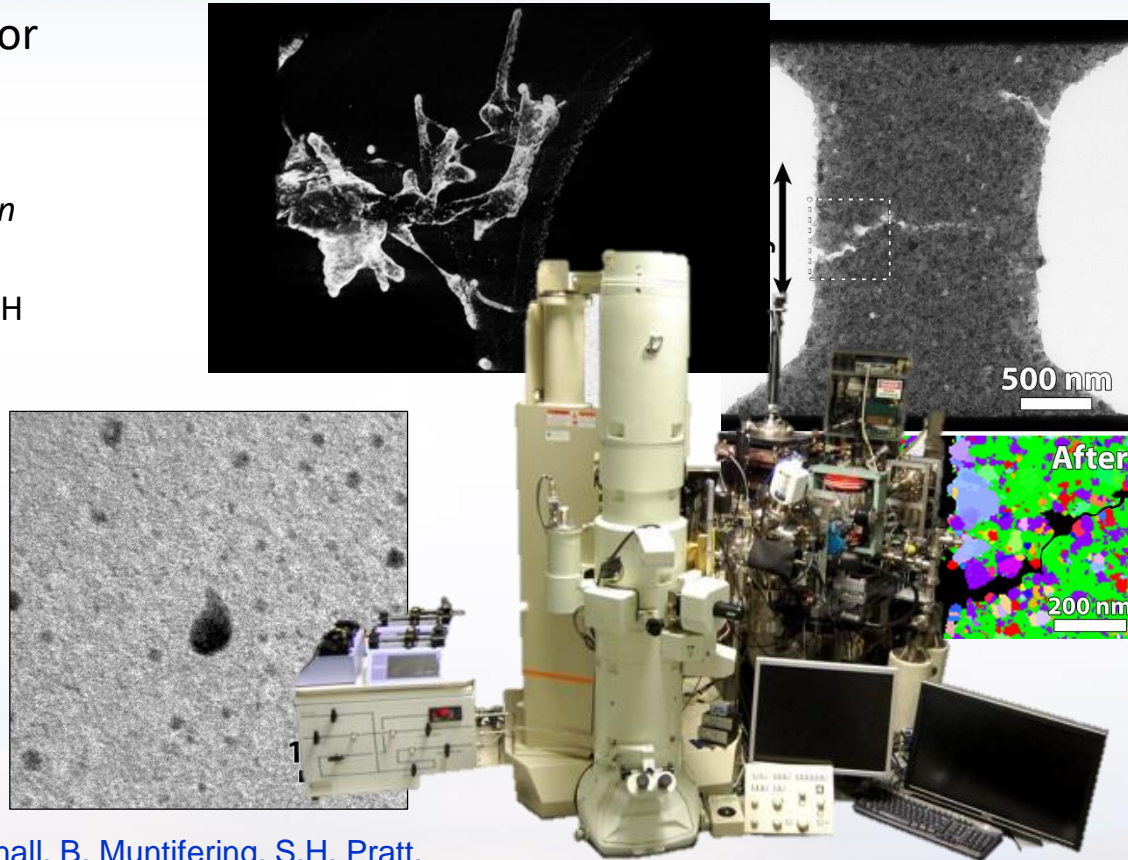


# Summary



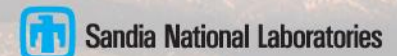
- Sandia's I<sup>3</sup>TEM is a unique facility for understanding mechanisms at the nanoscale
  - A facility with a wealth of overlapping *in situ* ion irradiation capabilities
  - *In situ* high energy ion irradiation from H to Au
  - *In situ* gas implantation
  - 15 TEM stages with various capabilities
    - Liquid, gas, high temperature, cryo, tomography, straining

What is the limit to integrating in-situ and analytical TEM techniques?



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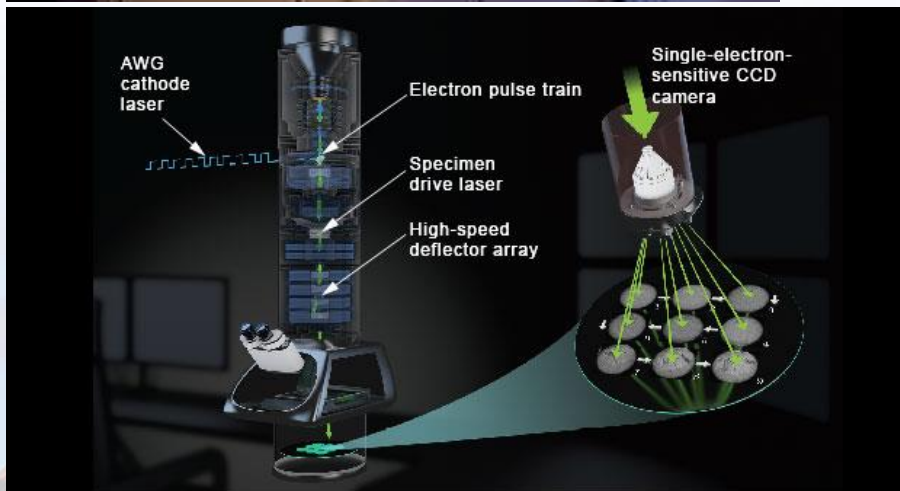


# Back-up Slides





# Can I<sup>3</sup>TEM and DTEM systems be combined?



## Goal:

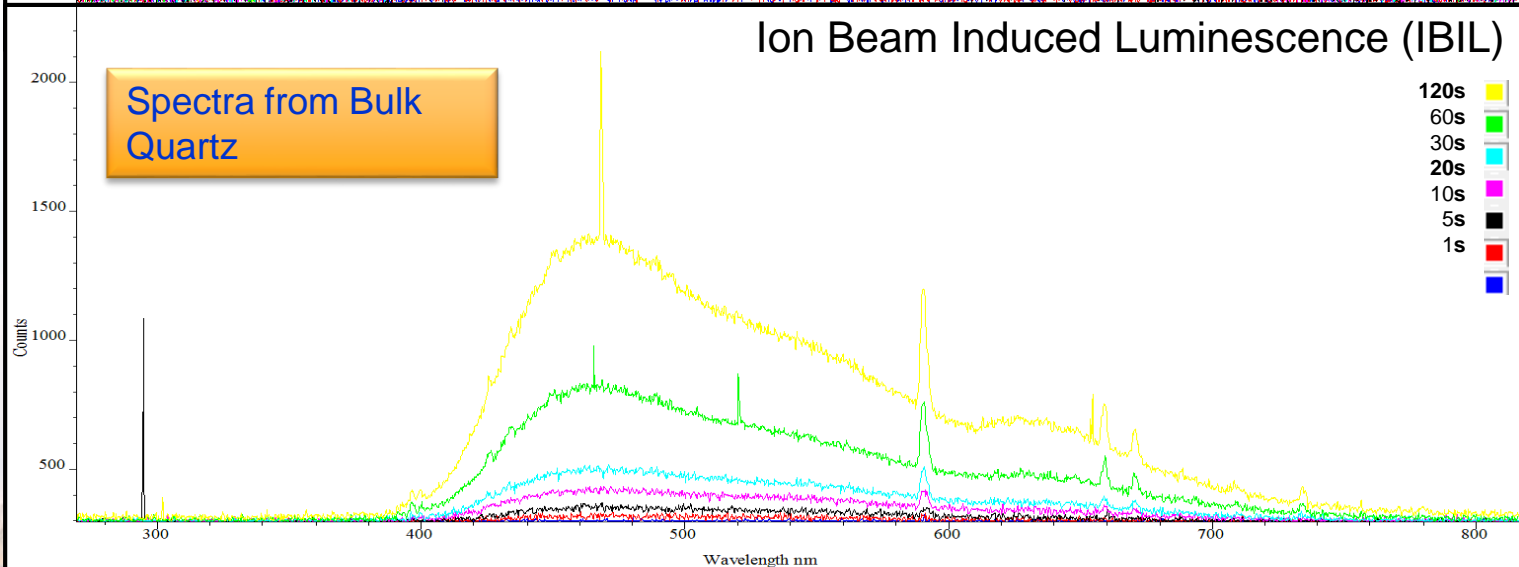
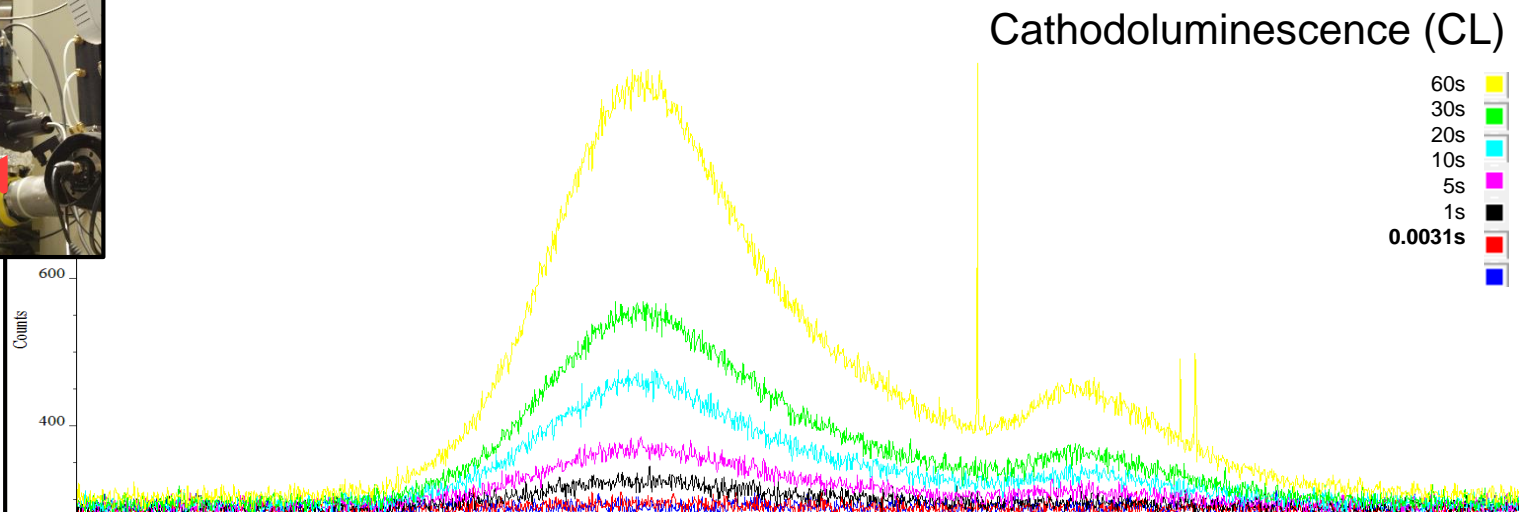
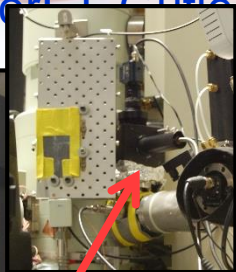
To combine the state-of-the-art in microscopy of DTEM and I<sup>3</sup>TEM to elucidate the response of single radiation events and other extreme overlapping environments with adequate spatial and temporal resolution.



# Future Direction: *In situ* TEM

## Ion beam Induced Luminescence (IBIL)

Collaborator: J. Gutierrez-Kolar



Significant optimization is still needed; potential is promising

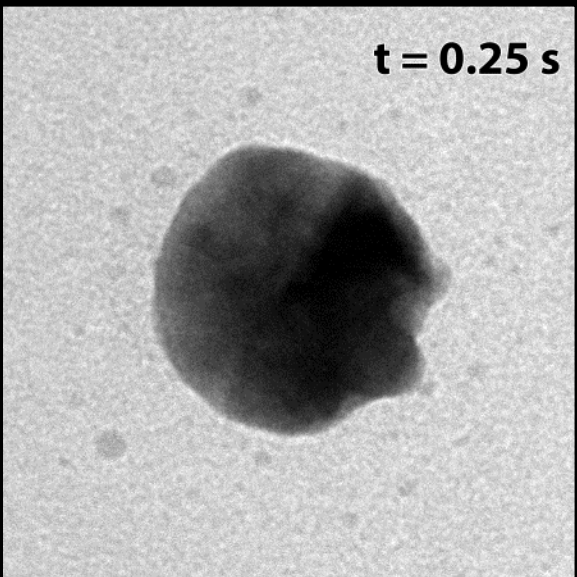
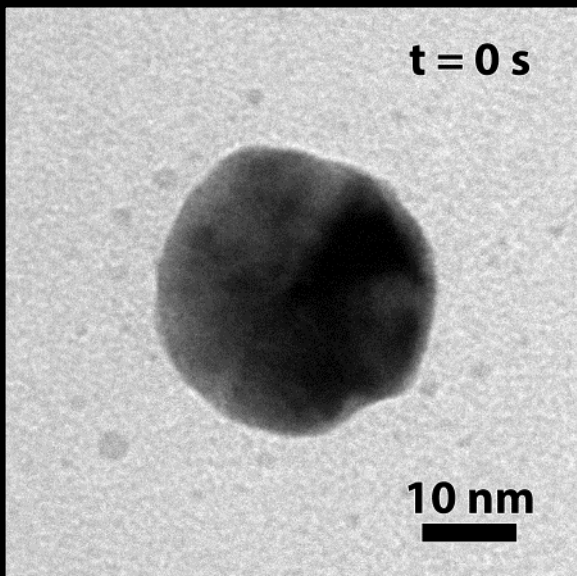
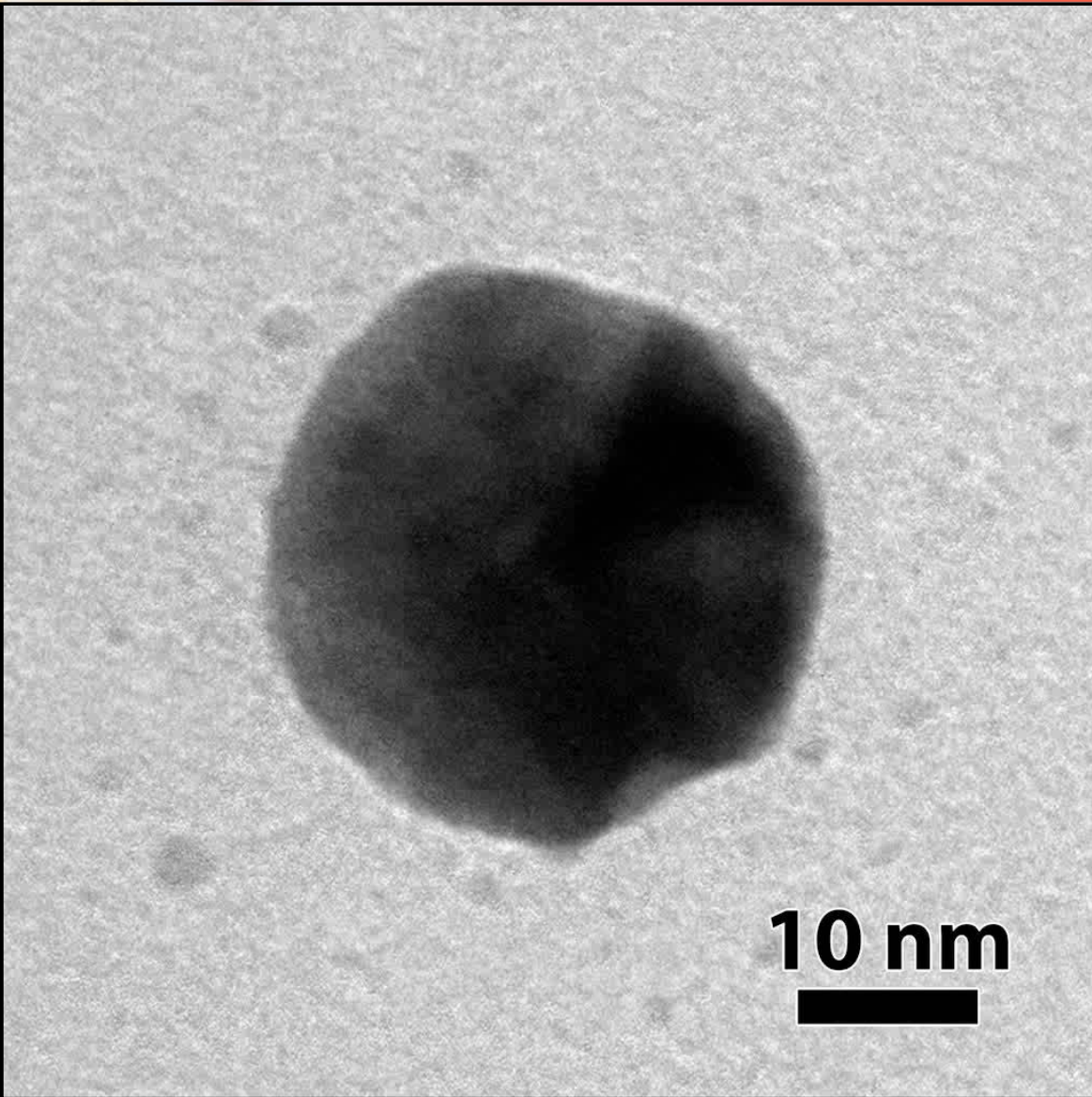


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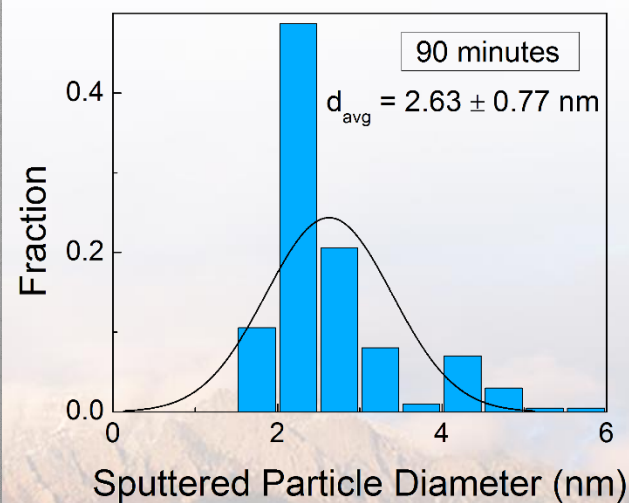
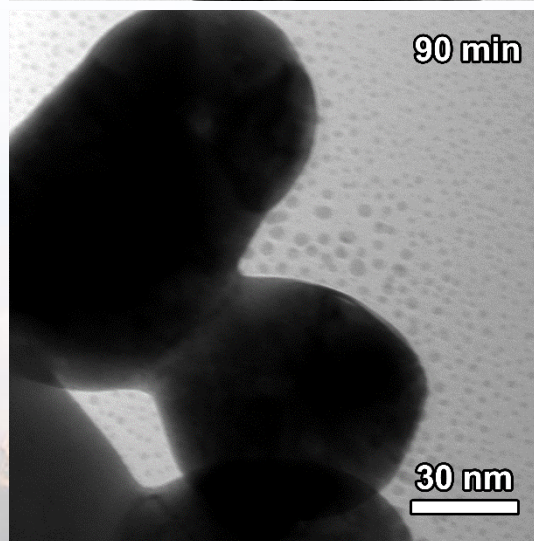
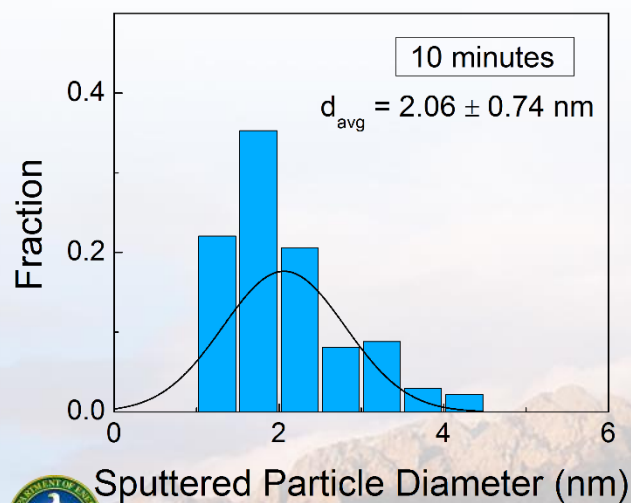
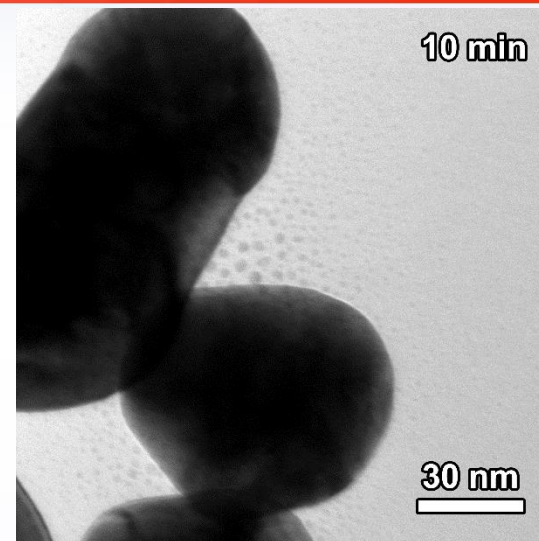
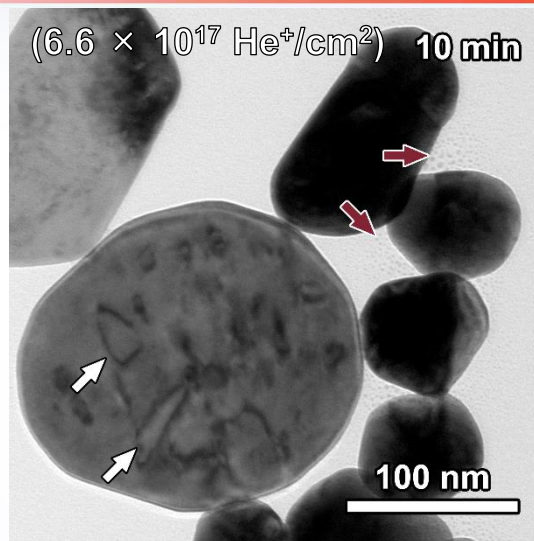
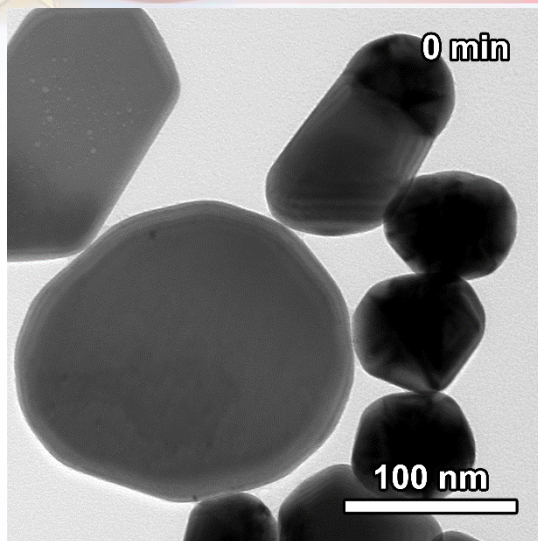
# Single Ion Effects with 46 keV Au<sup>1+</sup> ions: 20 nm

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford



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

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

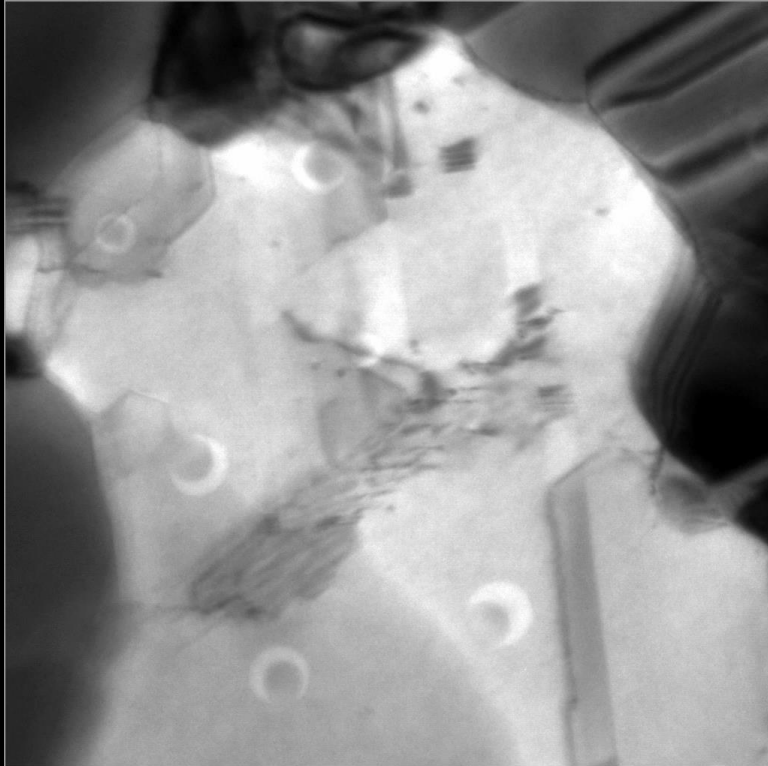




# Dose Rate Effects

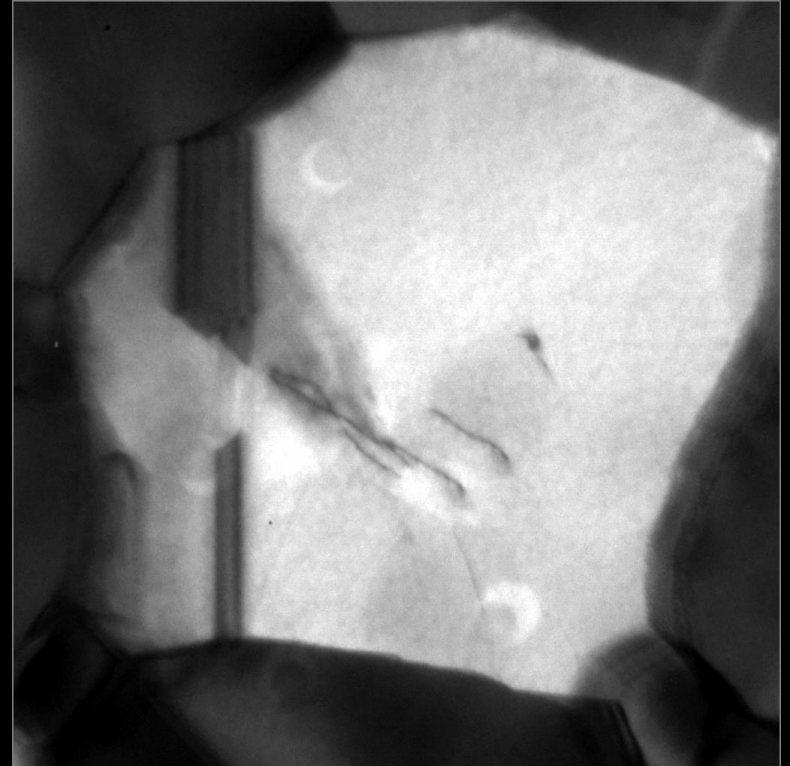
Collaborators: C. Chisholm , P. Hosemann, & A. Minor

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



**VS**

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

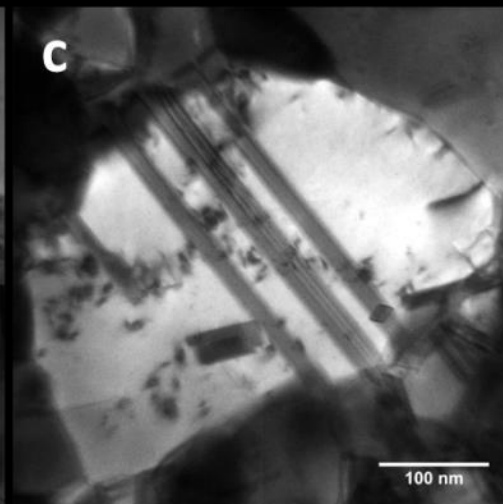
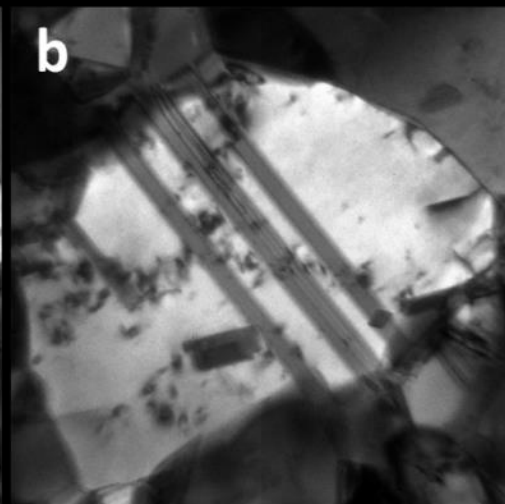
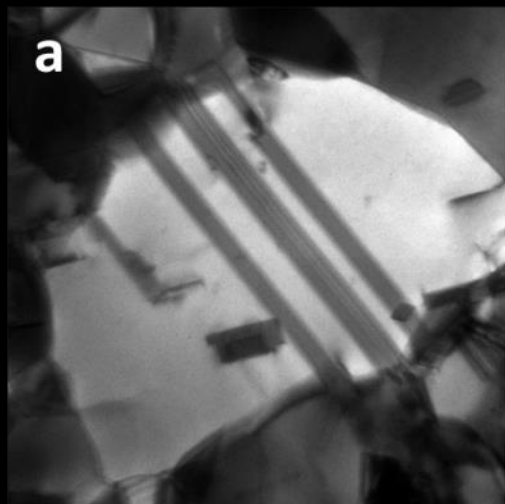


Improved vibrational and ion beam stability permits us to work at 120kx or higher permitting imaging of single cascade events

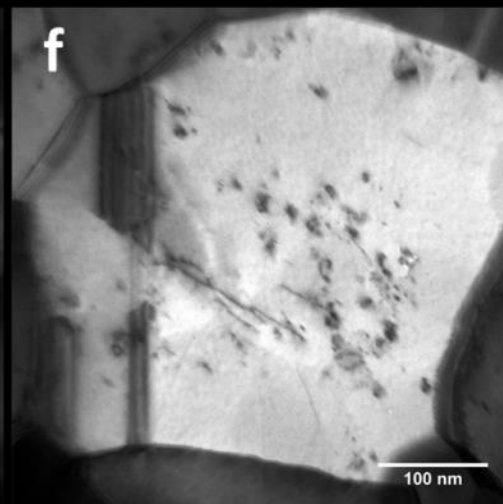
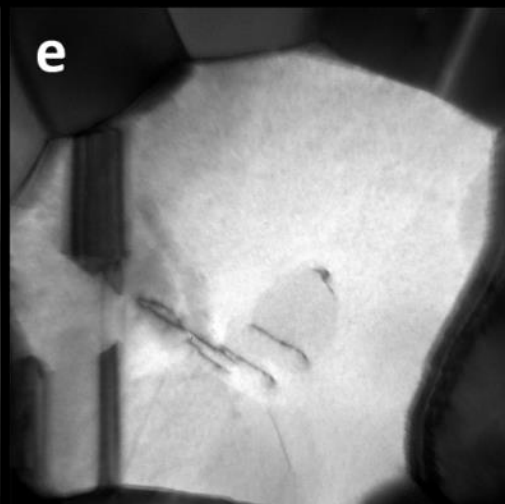
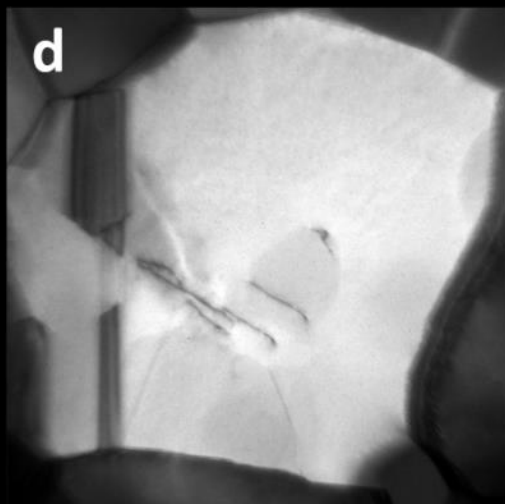
# *In situ* Successive Implantation & Irradiation

Collaborators: C. Chisholm & A. Minor

Successive  $\text{Au}^{4+}$  then  $\text{He}^{1+}$



Successive  $\text{He}^{1+}$  then  $\text{Au}^{4+}$

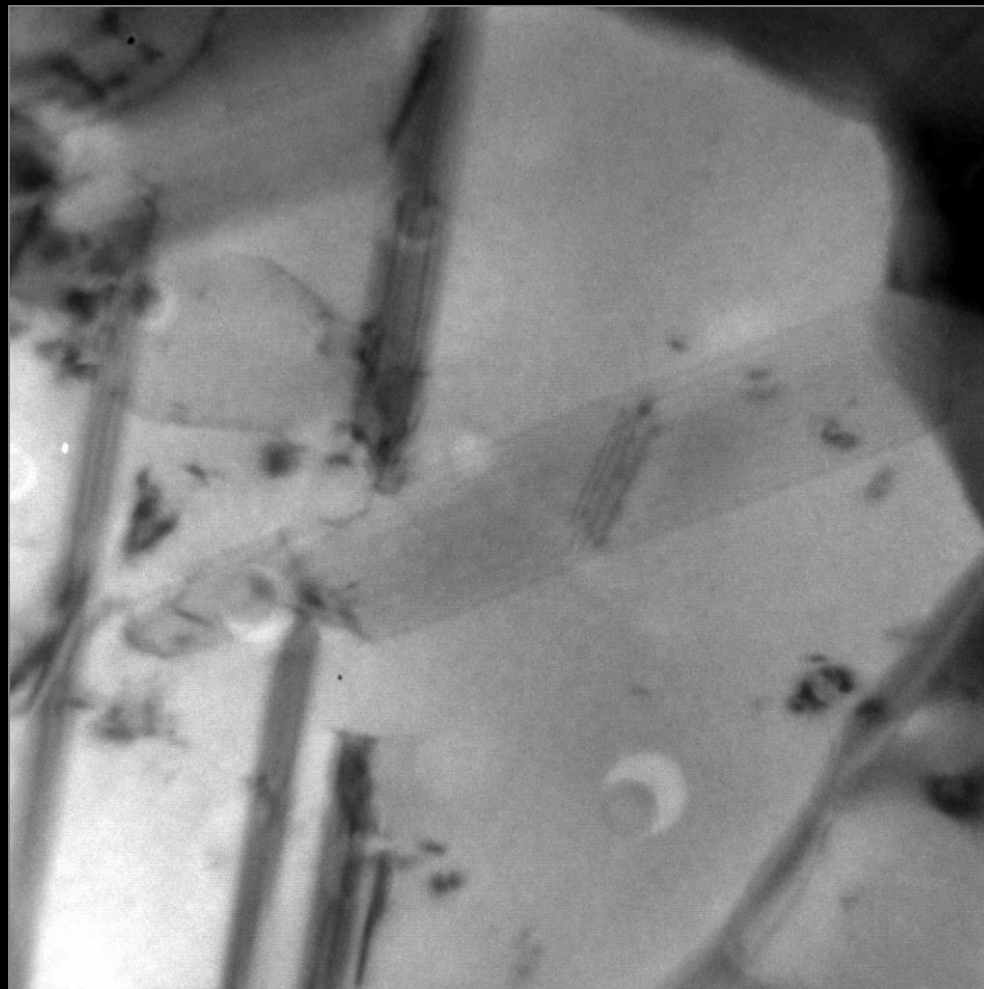
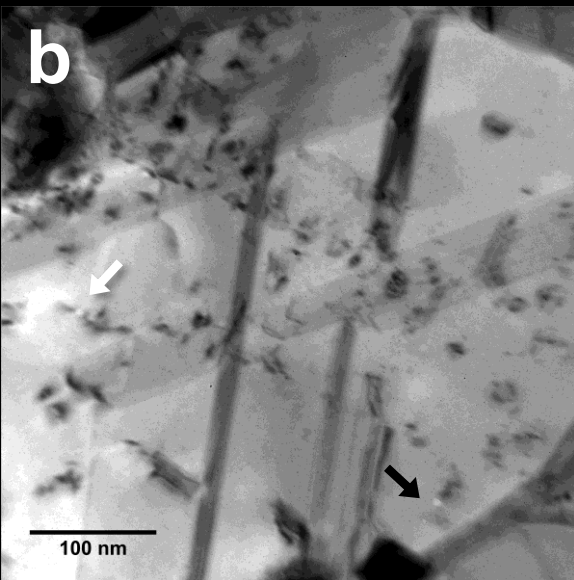
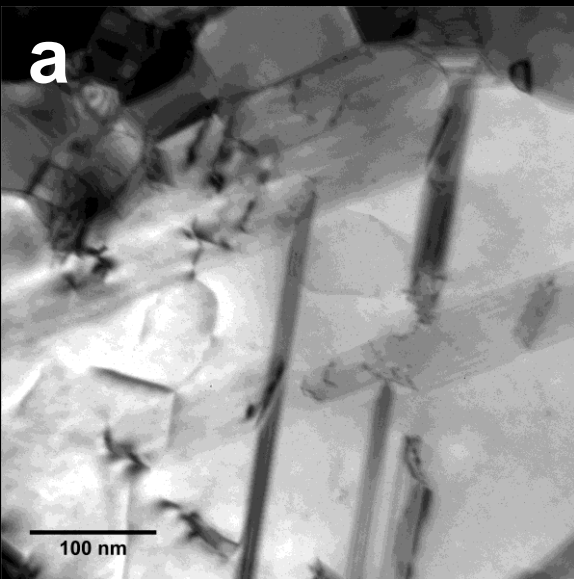




# *In situ* Concurrent Implantation & Irradiation

Collaborators: C. Chisholm & A. Minor

$\text{He}^{1+}$  implantation and  $\text{Au}^{4+}$  irradiation  
of a gold thin film

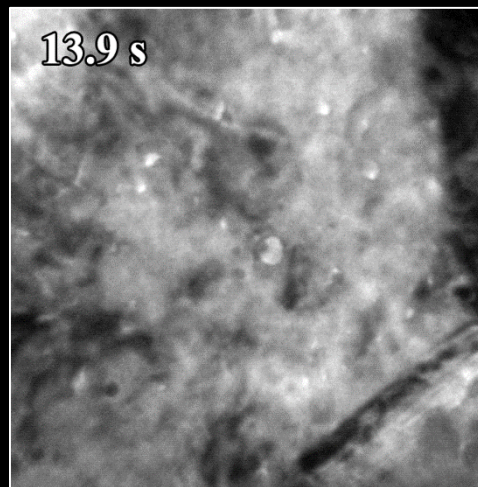
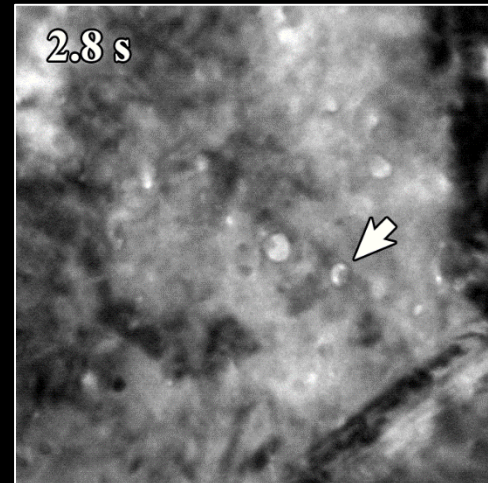
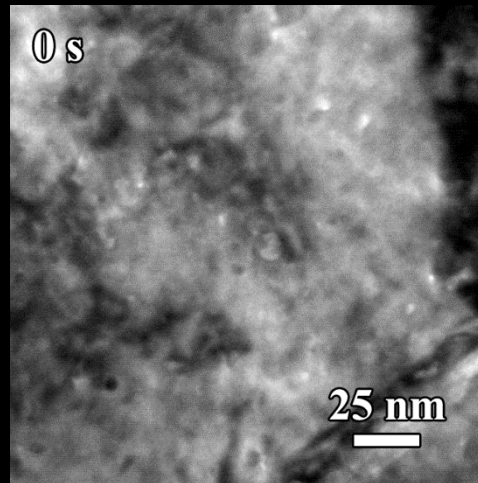
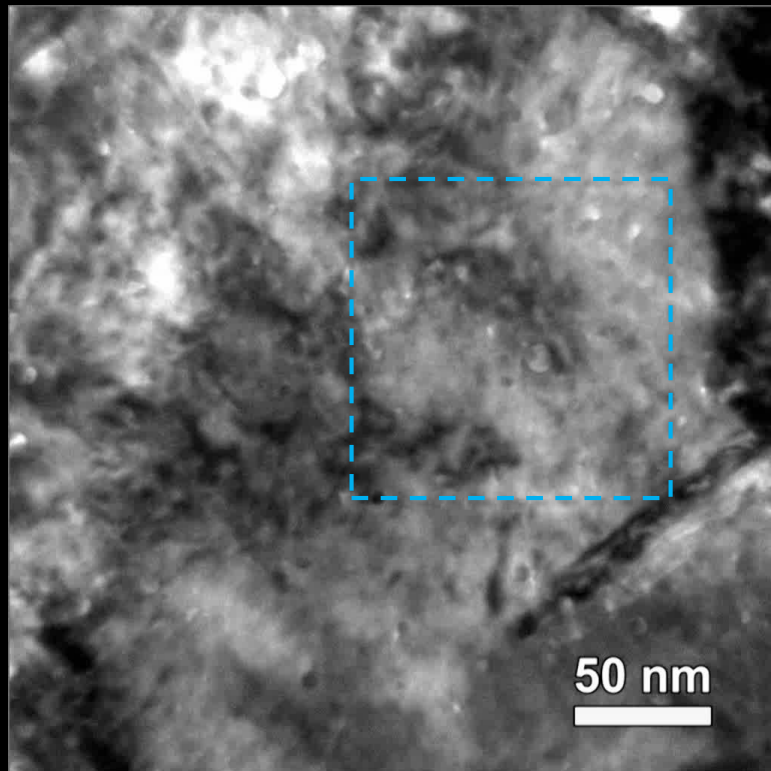


# Simultaneous *In situ* TEM Triple Beam:

## 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.



### ■ 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

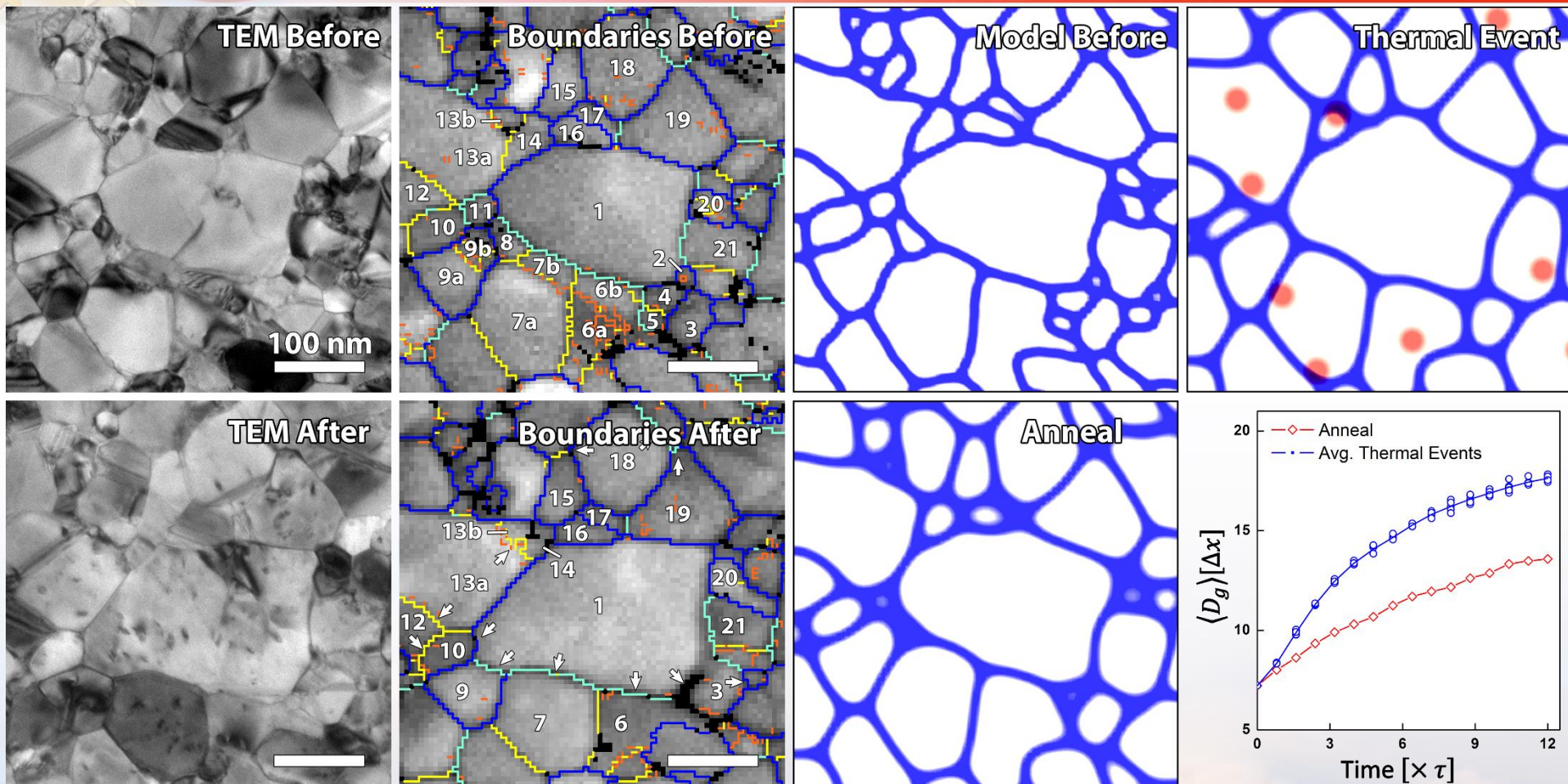
In-situ triple beam He, D<sub>2</sub>, and Au beam irradiation has been demonstrated on Sandia's I<sup>3</sup>TEM!

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



# Direct Comparison to Mesoscale Modeling

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

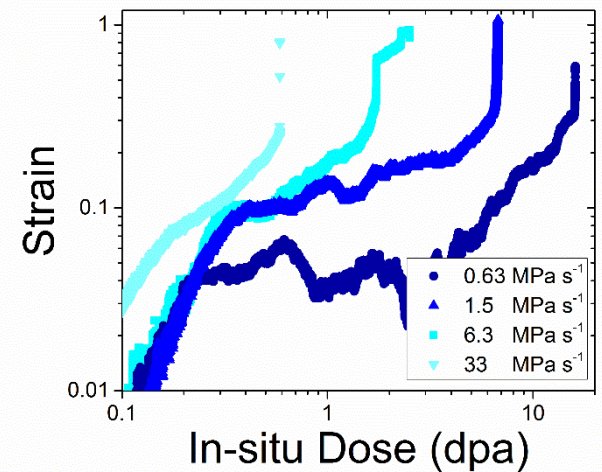
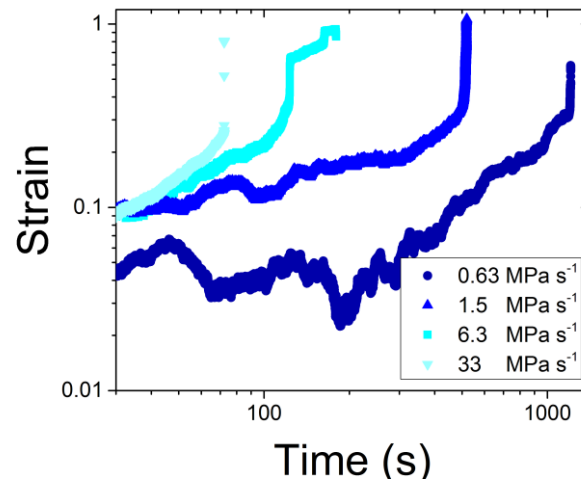
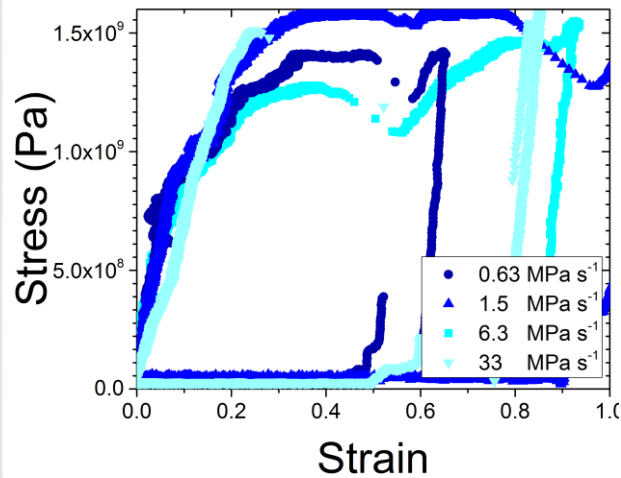


Because of the matching length scale, the initial microstructure can serve as direct input to either MD or mesoscale models & subsequent structural evolution can be directly compared.



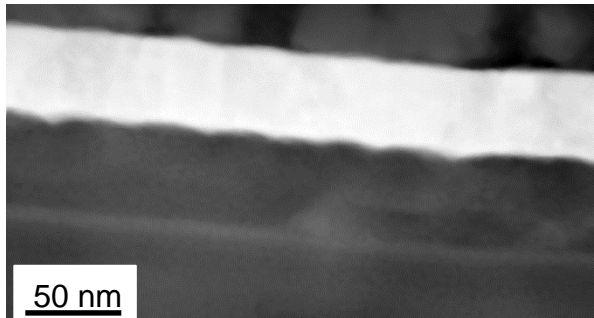
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# Creep Response at Different Loading Rates

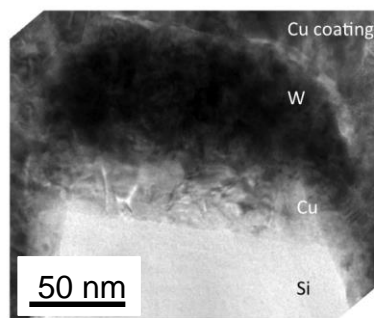


*Significant creep observed at a fraction of the bulk yield strength*

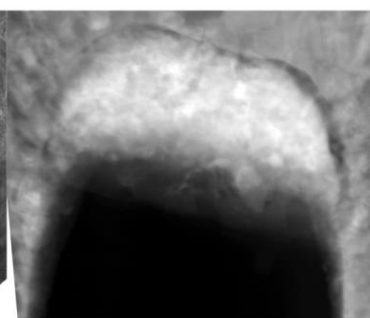
As-deposited Sample  
ADF-STEM



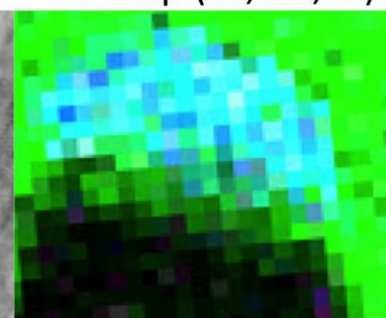
Post Creep Characterization  
BF-TEM



ADF-STEM



EDS Map (W, Cu, Si)

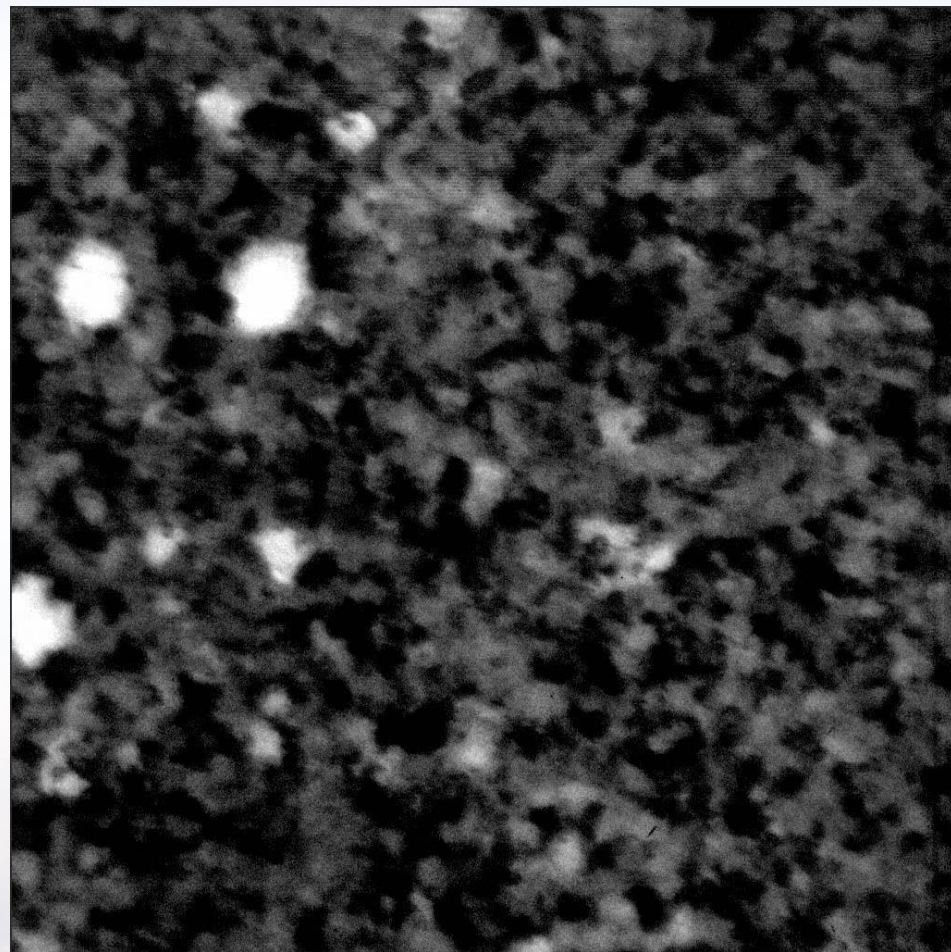
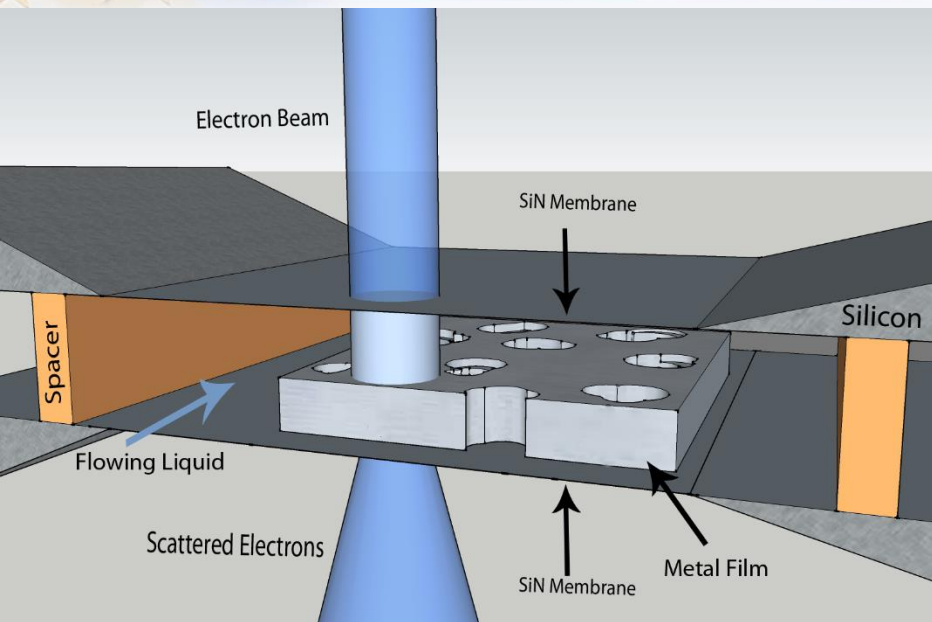


*Compression (creep) only observed in Cu layer*



# *In situ* TEM Corrosion

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.



# Other Fun Uses of Microfluidic Cell

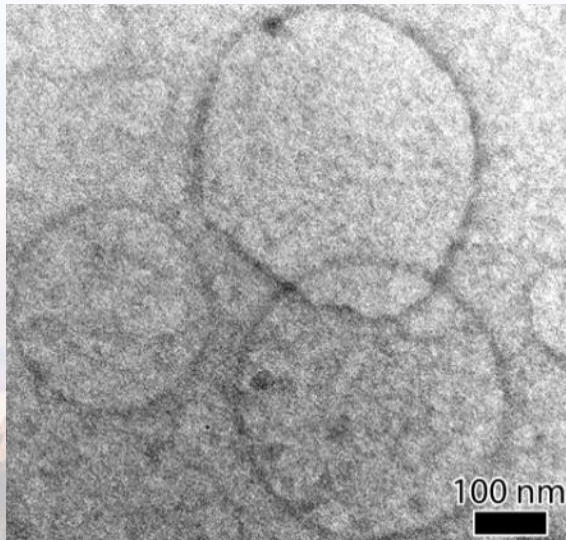
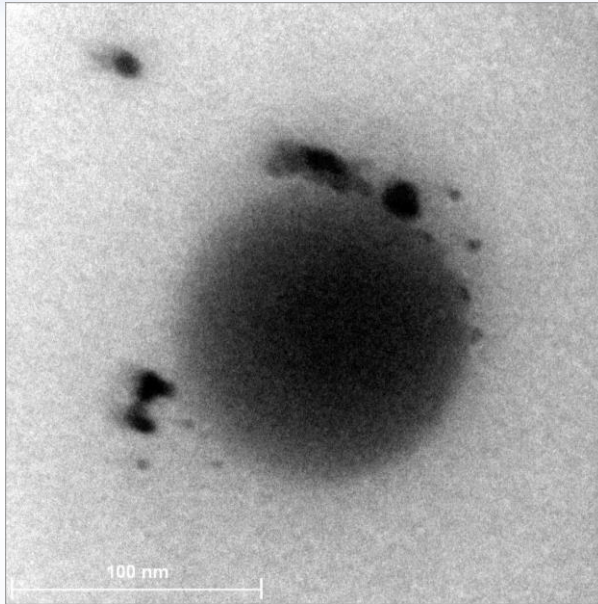
Protocell  
Drug  
Delivery

S.  
Hoppe,  
E.  
Carnes,  
J. Brinker

Liposome  
encapsulated  
in Water  
Silica

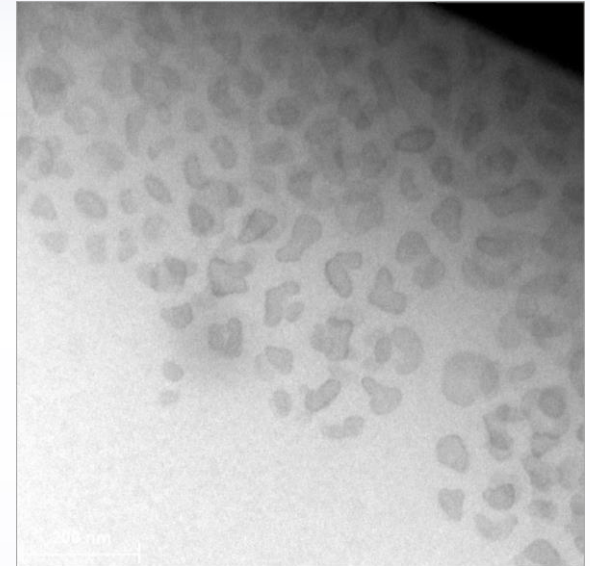
destroyed by the  
electron beam

Liposome  
s imaged  
in flowing



SA  
Crystallization  
S. Hoppe

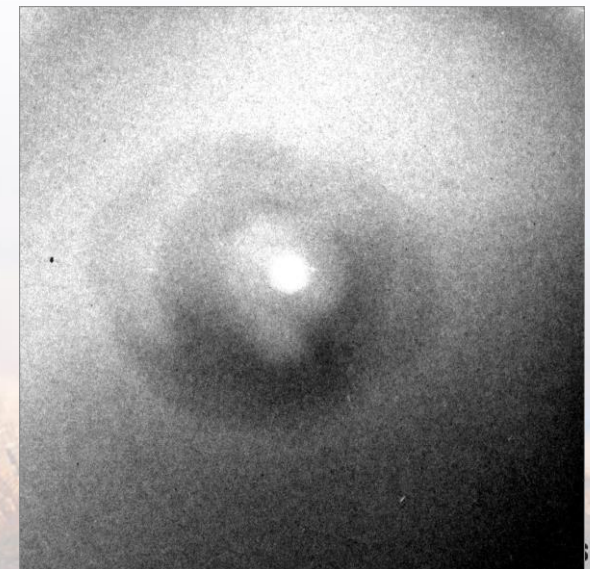
Crystallization  
of excess  
Bovine Serum  
Albumen  
during flow



La Structure  
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# Feasibility of Studying Zircaloy 2 at Nominally 1 atm

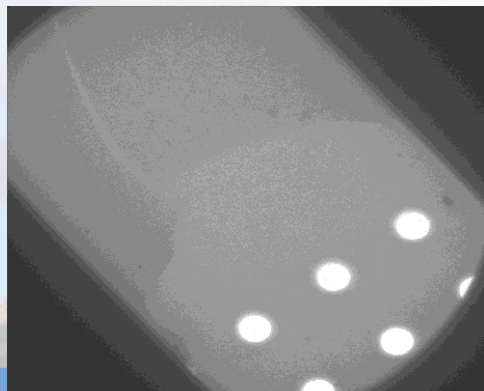
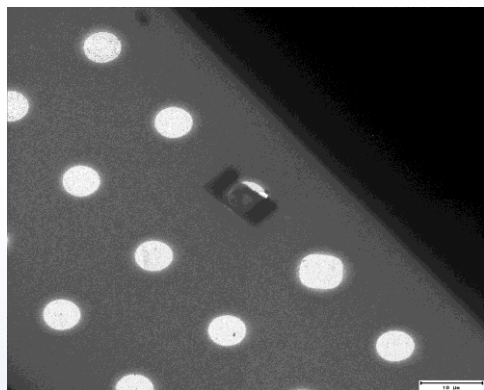
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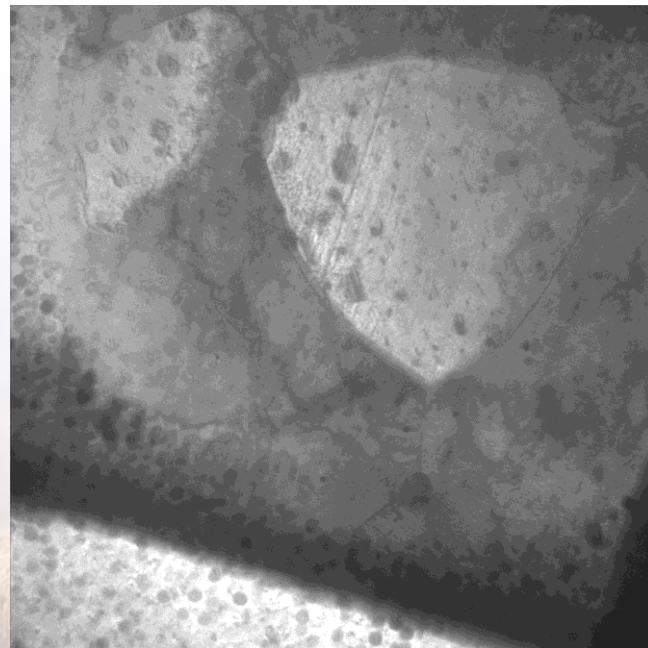
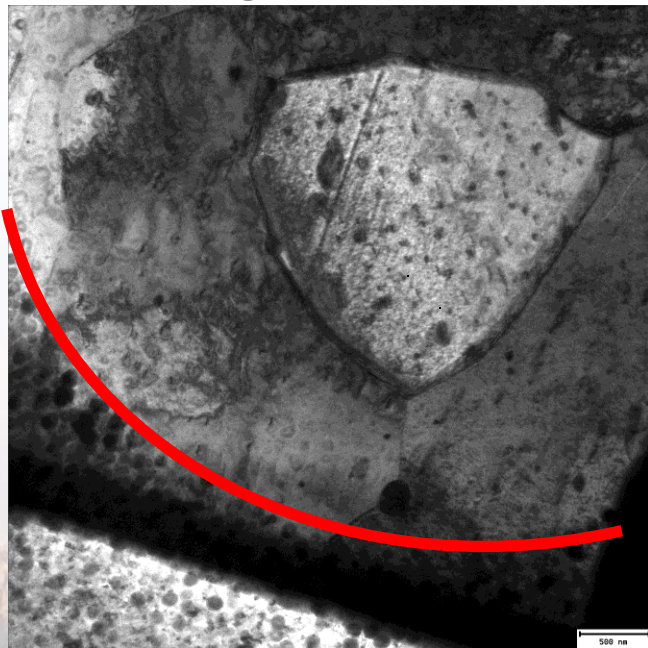
## Vapor-Phase Heating TEM Stage

- 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

**Vacuum &  
Single Window**



**Nominally 1 atm H<sub>2</sub>  
& Two Windows**

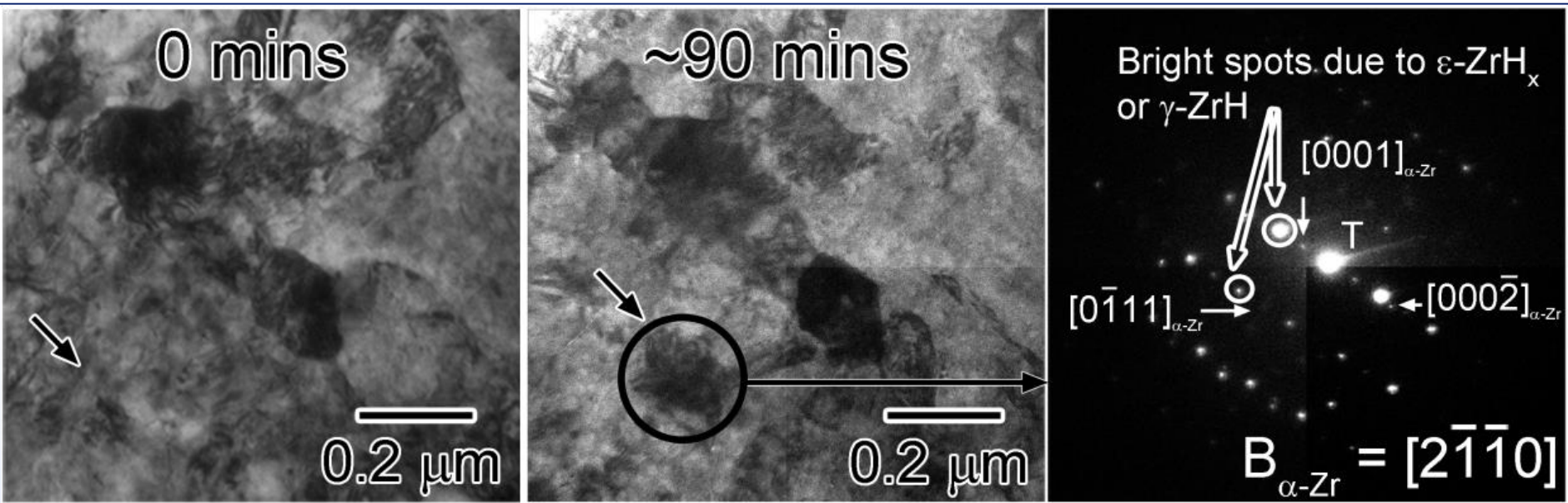


Most features are observed in both despite the decreased resolution resulting from the additional SiN window and 5 μm of air

# *In situ* Observation of Hydride Formation in Zirlo

Collaborators: S. Rajasekhara and B.G. Clark

Absolute hydrogen pressure: 327 torr ( $\sim 0.5$  atm),  
Ramp rate:  $1^\circ\text{C/s}$ , Final temperature:  $\sim 400^\circ\text{C}$ , Dwell time:  $\sim 90$  mins



Hydride formation shown, for the first time by use of a novel TEM gas-cell stage, at elevated temperature and hydrogen pressure



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# Electron Tomography Provides 3D Insight

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

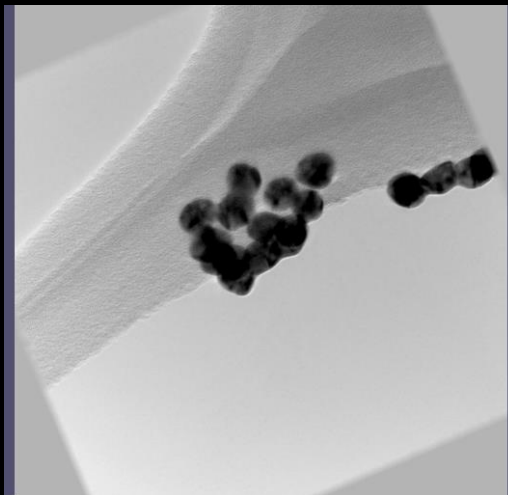
*In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM (I<sup>3</sup>TEM)

Aligned Au NP tilt series -  
unirradiated

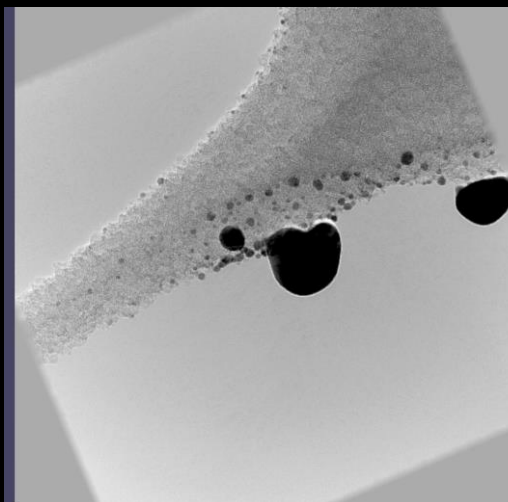
Unirradiated Au NP model



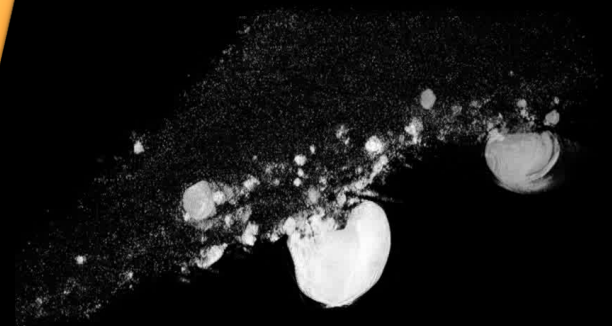
Hummingbird  
tomography stage



Aligned Au NP tilt series -  
irradiated



Irradiated Au NP model



The application of advanced  
microscopy techniques to  
extreme environments provides  
exciting new research directions