

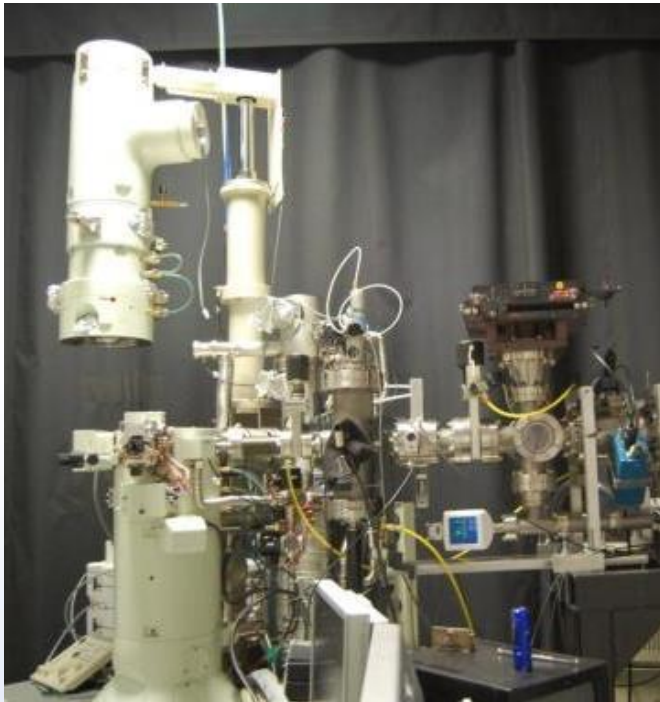
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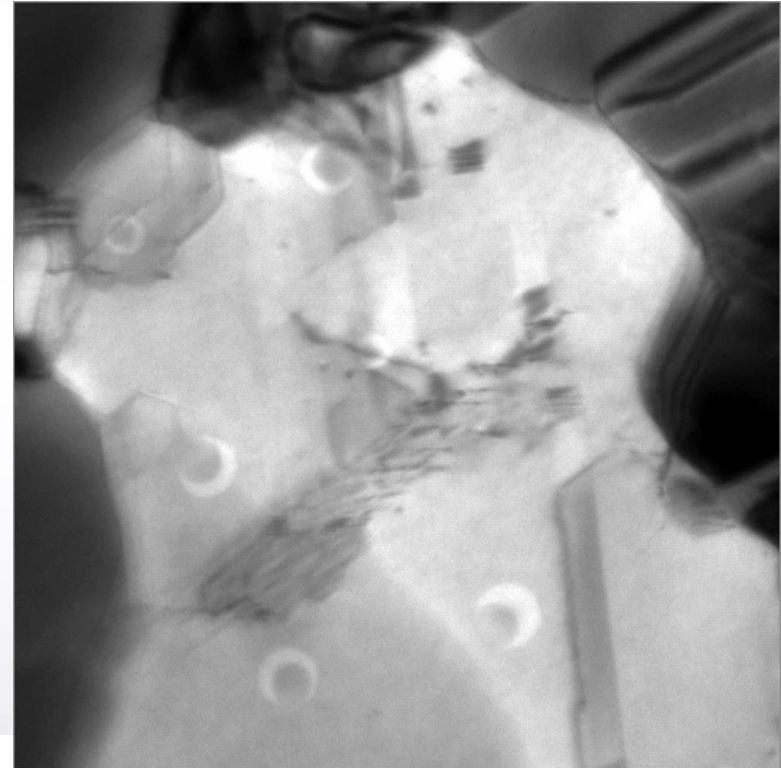
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Ion Beam Lab at Sandia National Laboratories

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*In situ* TEM  
microscopy  
has recently  
undergone  
significant growth  
providing  
capabilities to  
investigate the  
structural evolution  
that occurs due to  
various extreme  
environments and  
combinations  
thereof



## Collaborators:

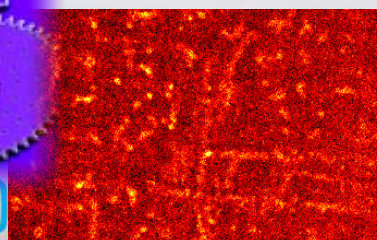
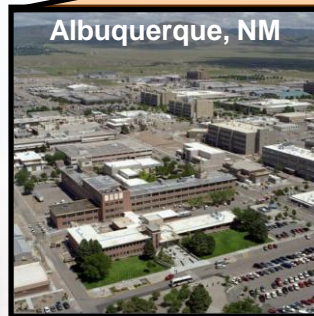
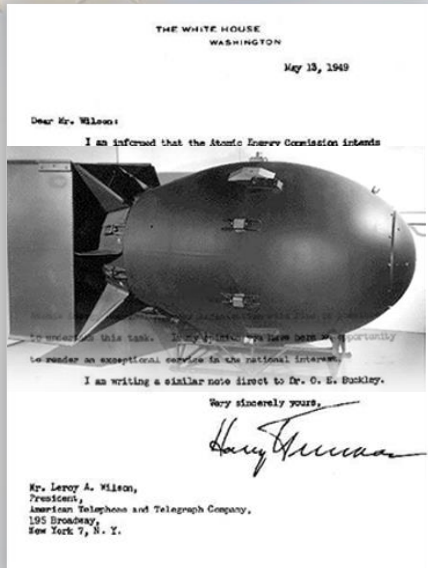
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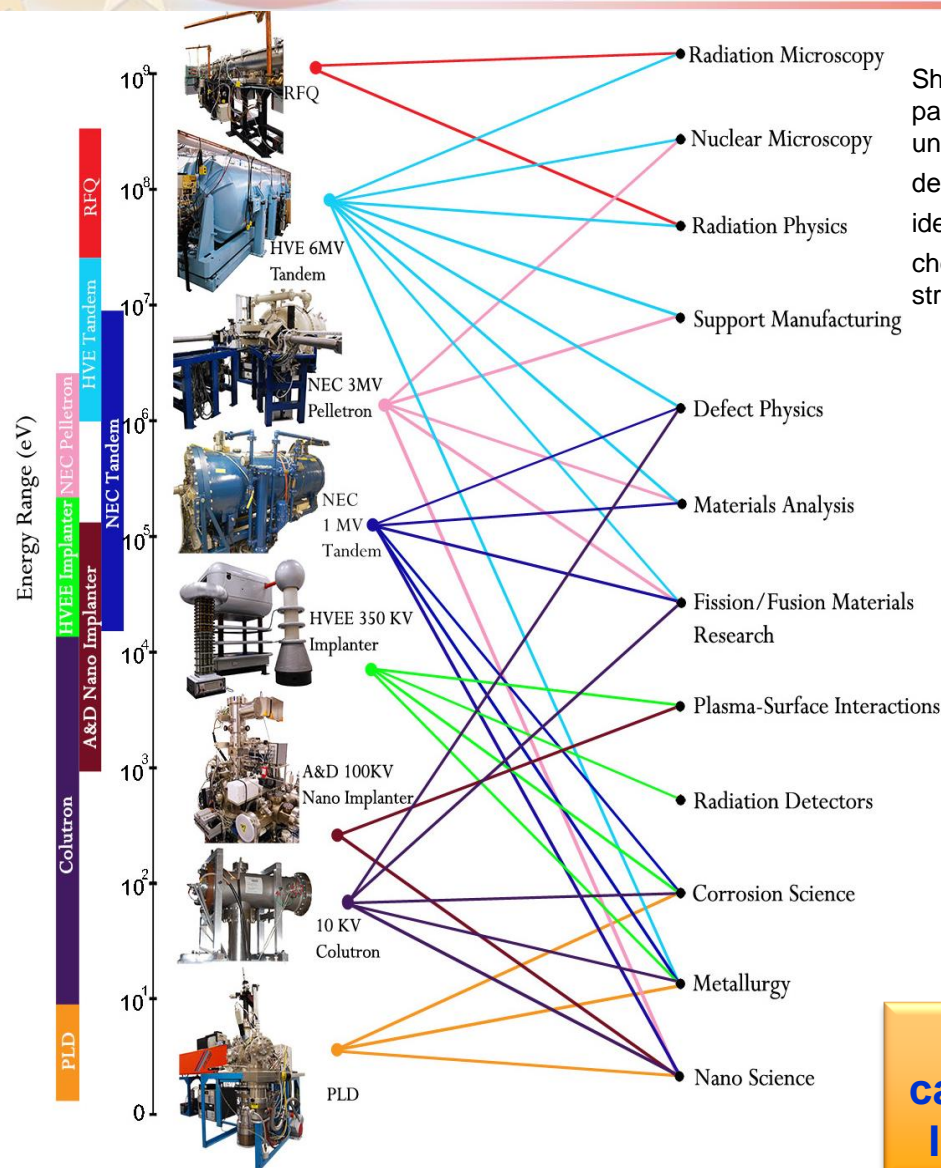
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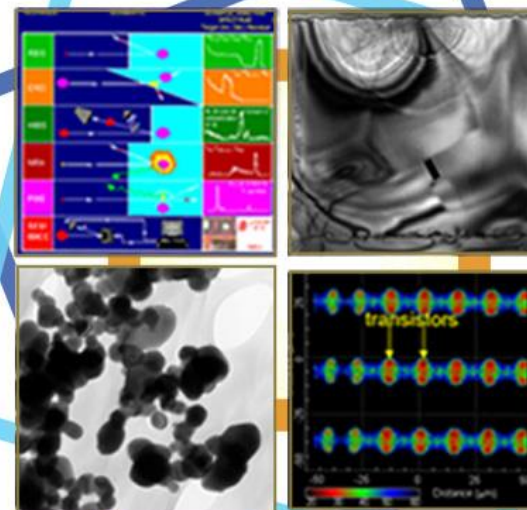


# Sandia's Ion Beam Laboratory



## Ion Beam Analysis (IBA)

Shooting a charged particle at an unknown material to determine its identity, local chemistry, and structure.



## Ion Beam Modification (IBM)

Changing the optical, mechanical, and chemical properties of materials via ion implantation to meet technological needs

## *In Situ* Ion Irradiation Microscopy (I<sup>3</sup>M)

Bombarding nano samples with various particles and observing the changes in real time to understand how materials will behave in extreme environments.

## Radiation Effects Microscopy (REM)

Using ion emissions to determine the Radiation hardness of microelectronics, identifying potential weaknesses.

**The IBL has a unique and comprehensive capability ion beam set including and *In situ* Ion Irradiation Transmission Electron Microscopy.**

# Potential Evolution of System Design

## Use the Nearest Stone



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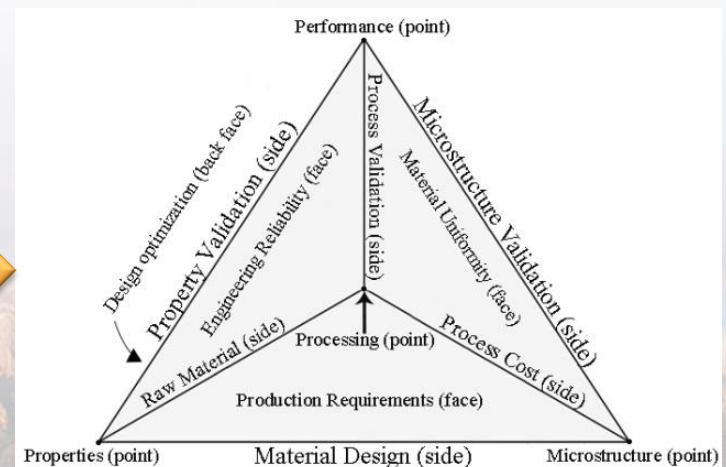
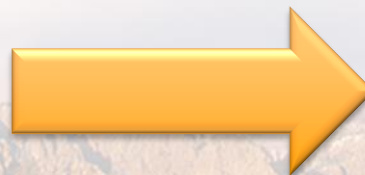
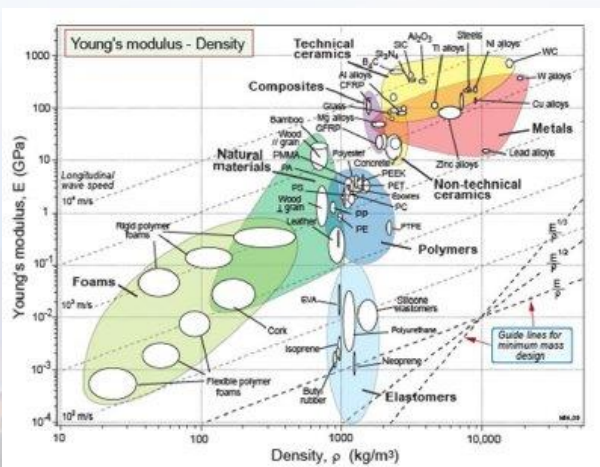


- Radar charts and Ashby plots of current material
- Accelerated and field testing
- **Scientist create a new materials. Engineers find an application.**

## Materials by Design

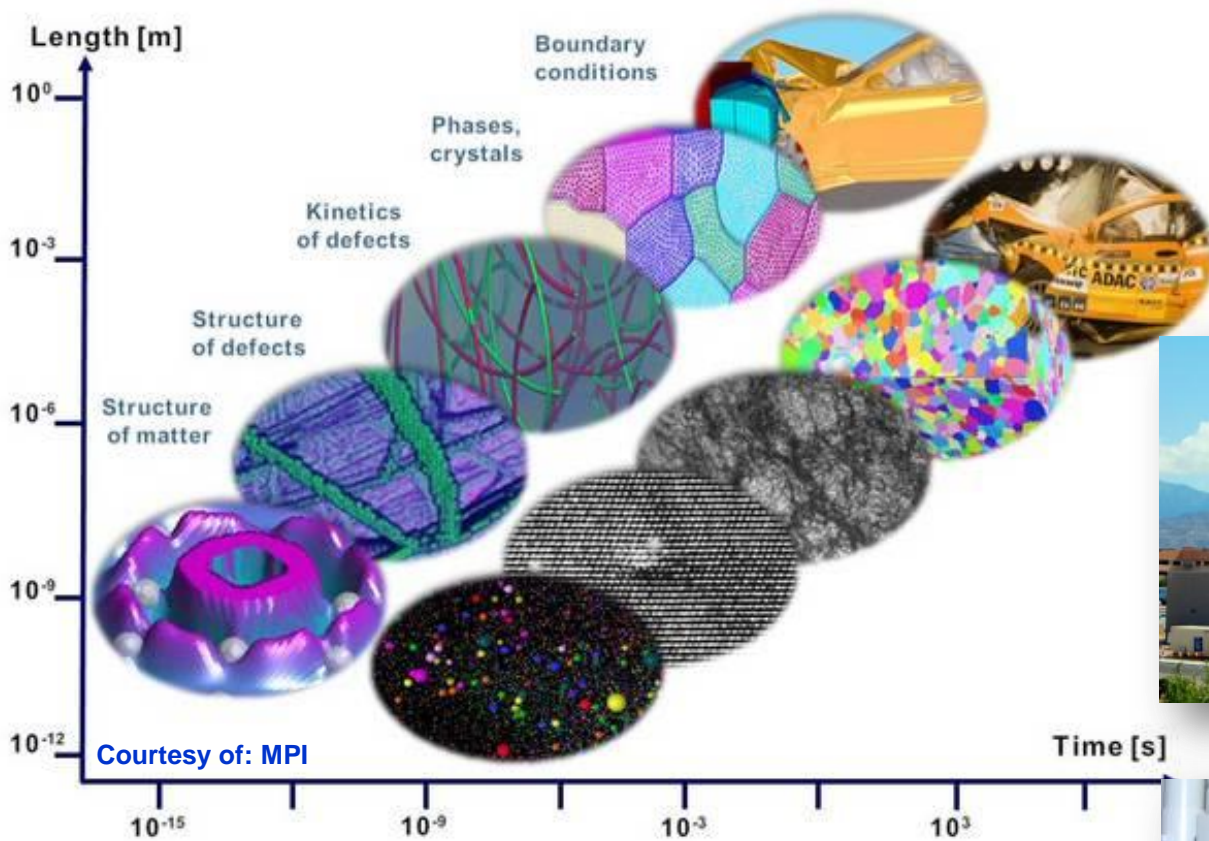
- Physics-based approach
- Requires multiscale modeling
- **Engineers require given properties, Scientists tailor the chemistry and microstructure to achieve it.**

**Great vision! We are making strides, but we are not there yet**





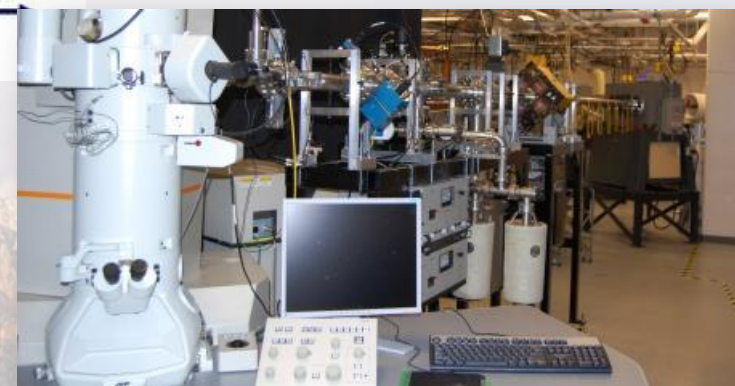
# Investigating the **nm** Scale to Understand the **km** Scale to Understand Materials Response in the Extremes



Ion Beam Lab (IBL)



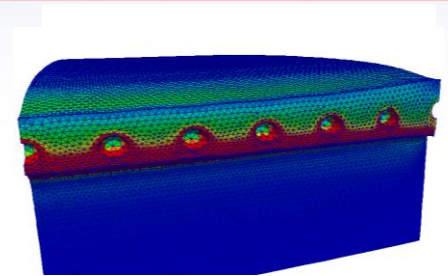
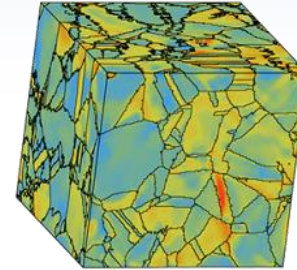
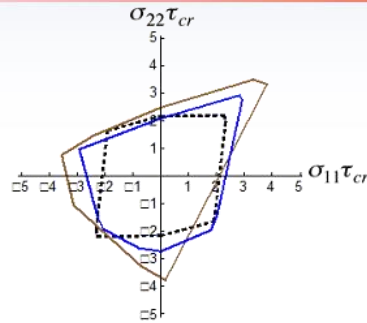
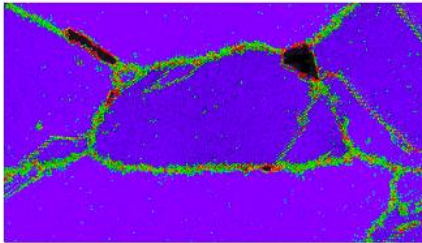
*In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM (I<sup>3</sup>TEM)



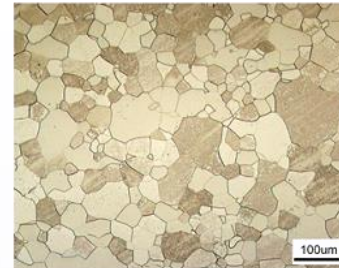
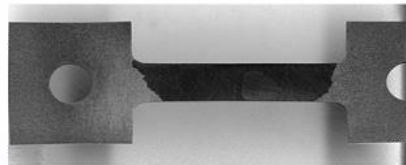
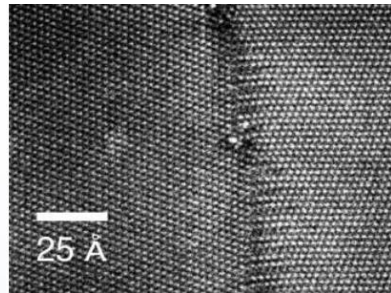
To develop predictive physics-based models, a fundamental understanding of the structure of matter, defects, and the kinetics of structural evolution in the environments of interest are needed

# Multiscale Simulation & Experiments to Understand and Predict the Sources of Material Variability

simulations



experiments



**Atomic scale  
phenomena**  
 $10^{-9}$  m  $10^{-9}$  s

**Single crystal  
behavior**  
 $10^{-6}$  m  $10^0$  s

**Microstructural  
effects**  
 $10^{-3}$  m  $10^3$  s

**Material  
performance**  
 $10^0$  m  $10^6$  s

Atoms-up: Develop physics-based models to provide scientific insight

Continuum-down: Augment engineering-scale models to provide improved fidelity



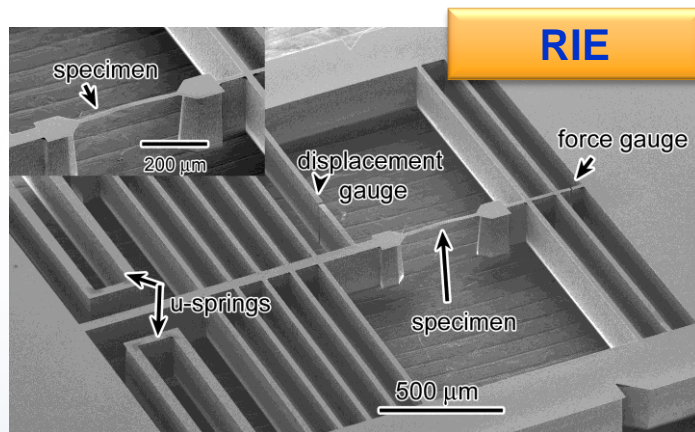
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# Where have Ion Beam Modified Materials been Utilized?

## **Ion Beam Modification (IBM)**

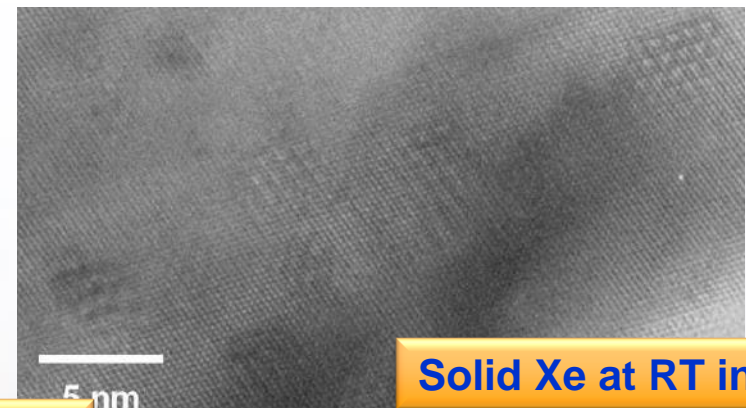
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**RIE**

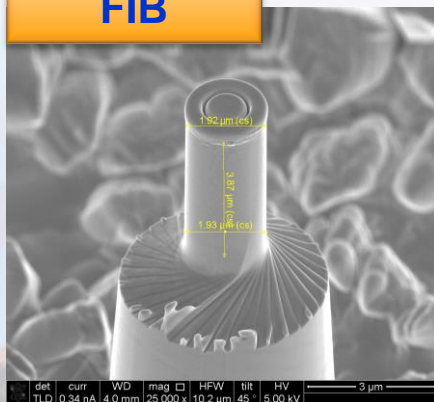


Thompson et al.  
Science 2007

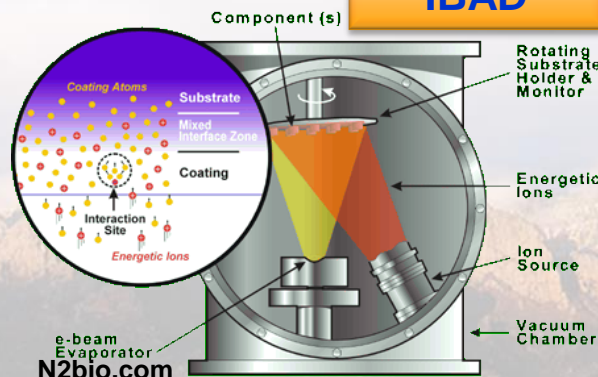


**Solid Xe at RT in Al**

**FIB**



**IBAD**



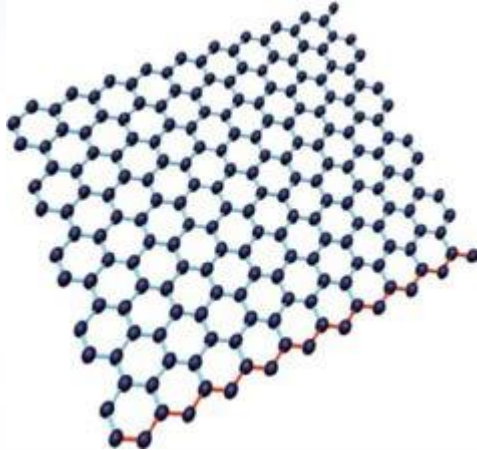
**Proton Cancer Therapy**



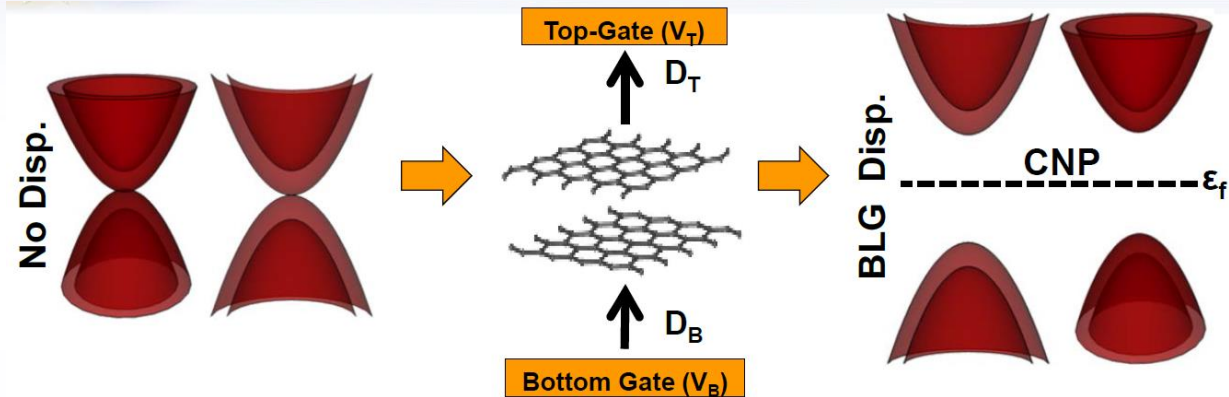
Ion Beam Applications  
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# Development of a Dual-Gated Bilayer Graphene Device

Collaborators: S. Howell, T. Ohta, & T. Beechem

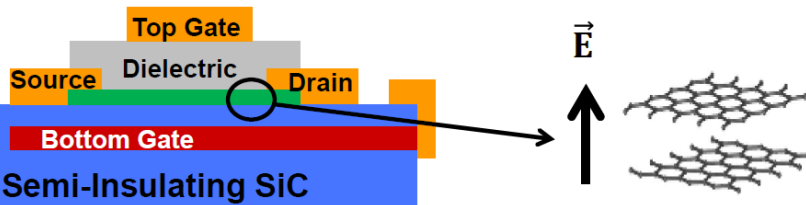


2D hexagonal net of sp<sup>2</sup> bonded carbon atoms



**A combination of displacements (top & bottom gates) are needed to:**

- Induce a bandgap
  - $D_{ave} \neq 0$
- Control Fermi Level ( $\epsilon_f$ ) to charge neutrality point (CNP)
  - $\delta D = 0$



Zhang *et al.*, *Nature*, 459, 820 (2009)



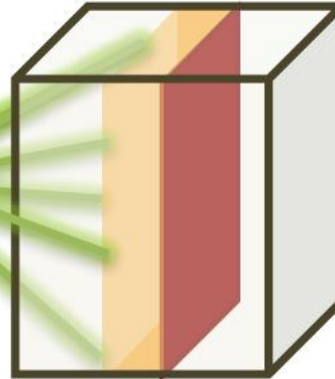
# 3 MeV Nitrogen Implants to Form a Back-Gate in Semi-Insulating SiC

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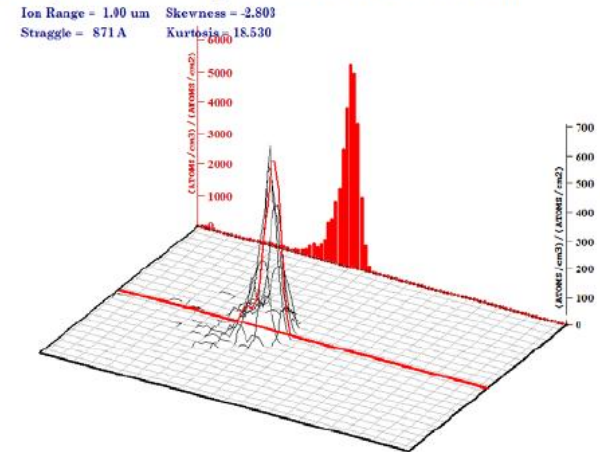
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Pelletron



SiC  
Sample



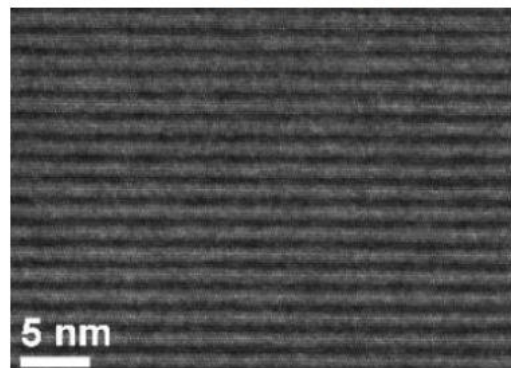
TRIM Simulation of Blanket  
Implant Depth Distribution



## Ion Implantation Results

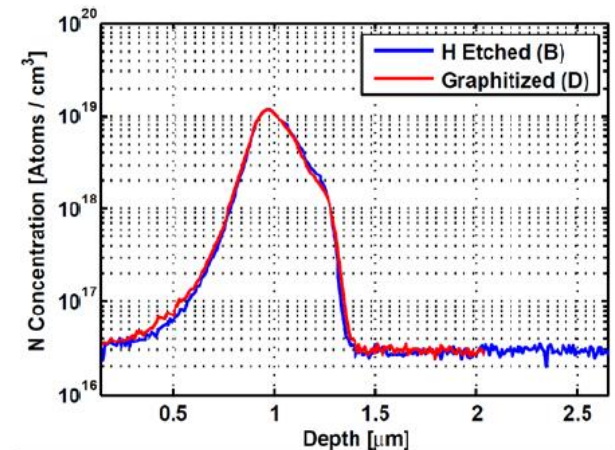
- Implanted N ions (target depth of 1  $\mu\text{m}$ )
- Capacitance measurements indicated an isolated conductive layer at a depth of  $\sim 700$  nm in the SiC

TEM Validation of  
Microstructure



Tailored ion implantation  
provides both back gate  
and side contact structure

Validation of Implant Depth (SIMS)



Waldmann et al., Nature Materials, **10**, 357 (2011)

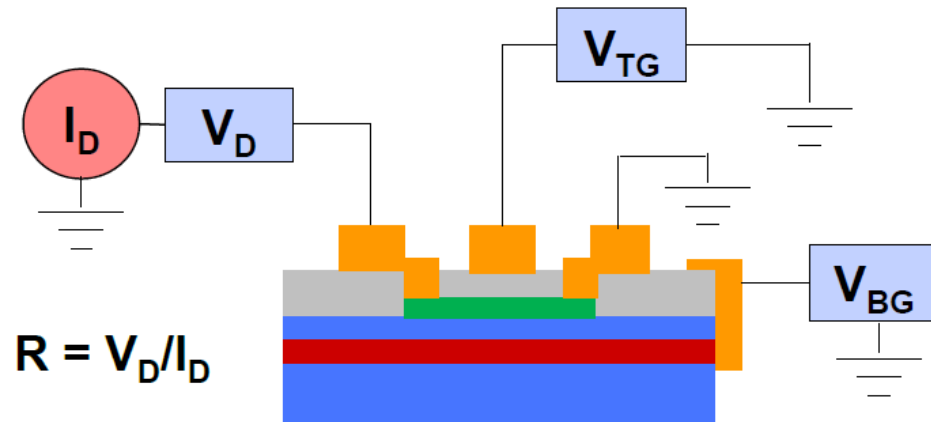
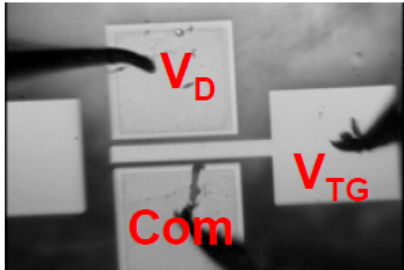


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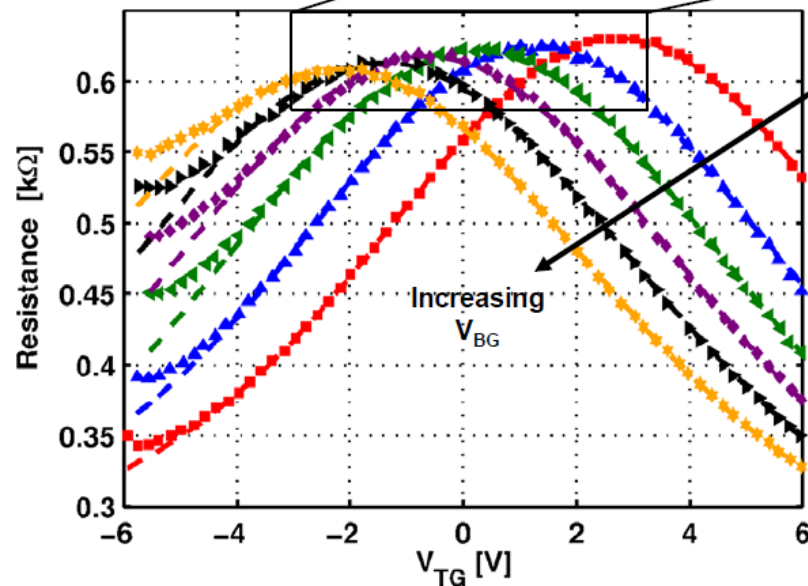
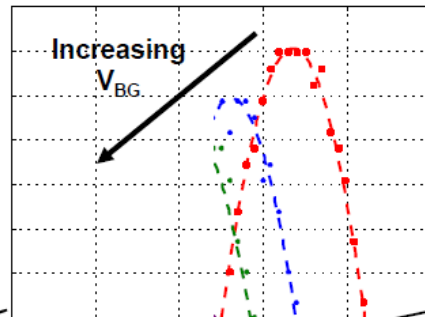
# Bandgap Control via Dual Gating

## (1<sup>st</sup> Demonstration of scalable dual-gate BLG FETs)

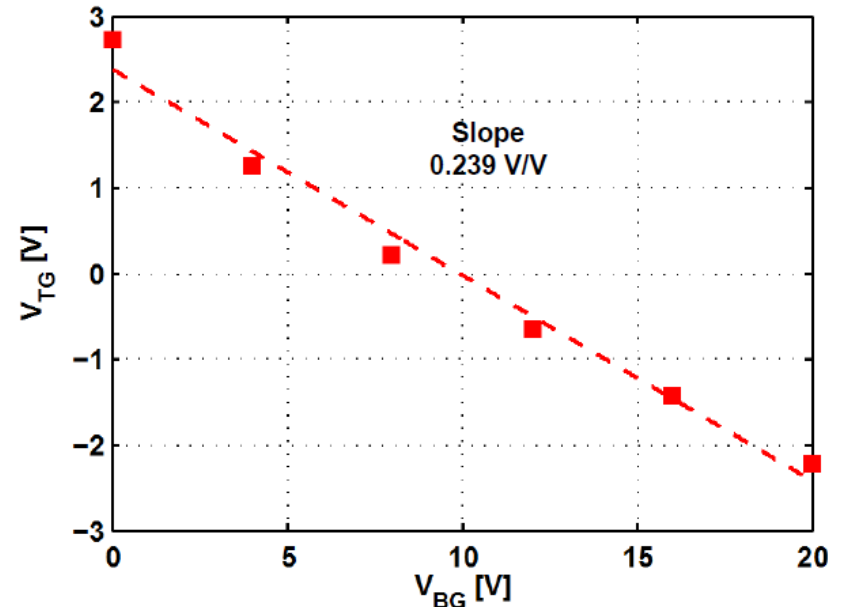
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$V_{BG} = 0 \text{ V to } 20 \text{ V}$   
in 4 V Steps



$$\text{Slope} = -(\epsilon_b d_t) / (\epsilon_t d_b)$$





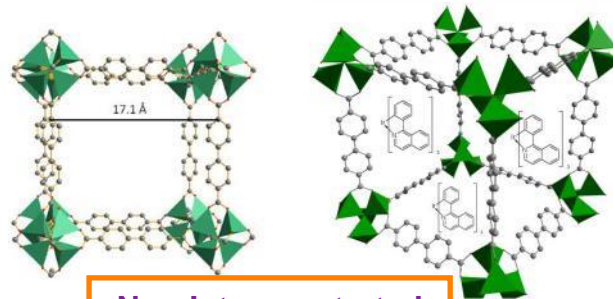
# Interest in Scintillators

*Crucial to understand radiation-solid interactions on multiple length scales*

## Plastic Scintillators



Single Crystal  $\text{CdWO}_4$



Non-Interpenetrated  
IRMOF-10



US Ports: 2 Billion Metric Tons

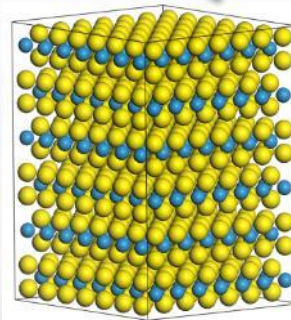


Scintillators with low energy resolution & detection efficiency cannot distinguish radiation type or quantify radiation

Nano

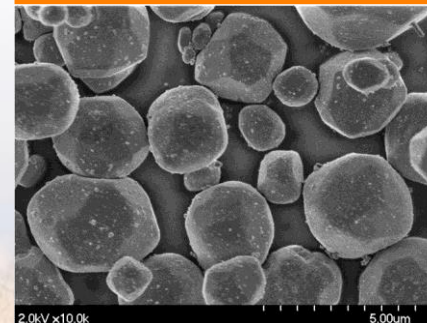
Micro

Meso



Tungsten (IV) Sulfide  $\text{WS}_2$

Commercial  $\text{CaWO}_4$   
Scintillating Powder



High-Z  $\text{ME}_x$   
Nanoscintillator



High-Z Nanocomposite

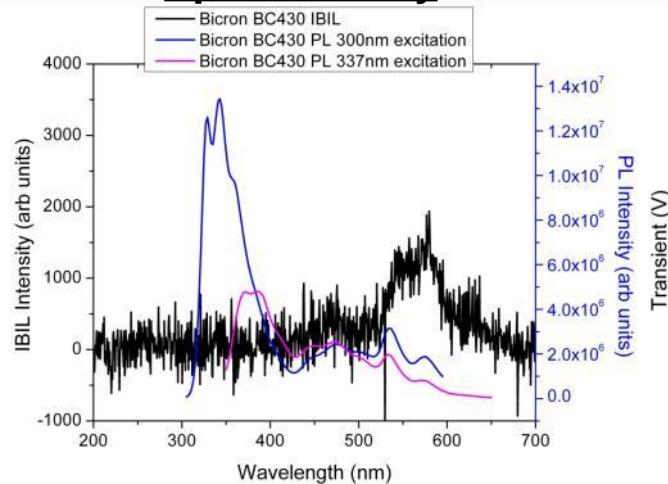


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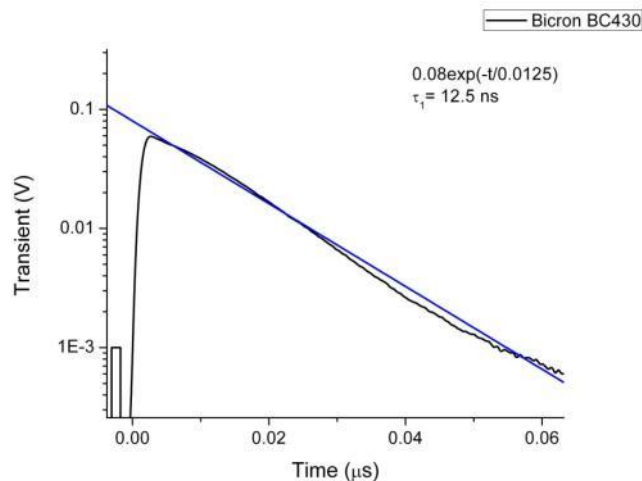
# IBL Capabilities for Luminescence Studies

Collaborators: J. Villone & G. Vizkelethy

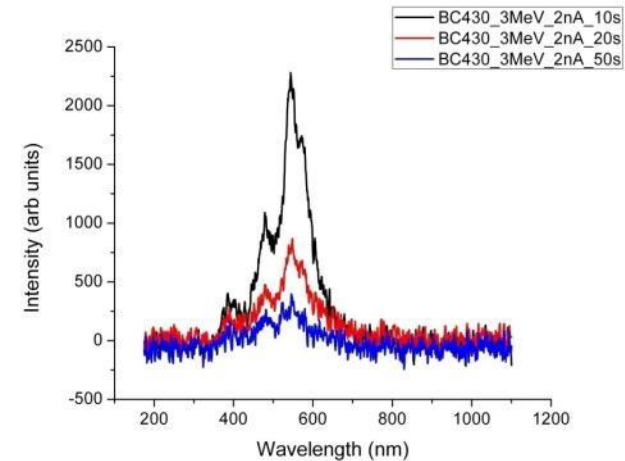
## Spectrometry



## Decay Time



## Radiation Hardness



- 3 MeV H<sup>+</sup> beam
- Thin films of samples on PIN diodes
- Hamamatsu PMT run in photon-counting mode
  - Light intensity measured as a function of time after ion strike

- 3 MeV H<sup>+</sup> beam used as excitation
- Scintillation light collected as ion beam excites sample
- Light collected with OM-40 microscope or fiber optic mounted close to sample
- Avantes AvaSpec 2048 spectrometer

- Radiation hardness experiments performed with 3 MeV H<sup>+</sup> beam from Tandem accelerator
- IBL spectra measured constantly as sample exposed to beam
- Overall decrease in emitted light observed due to radiation damage



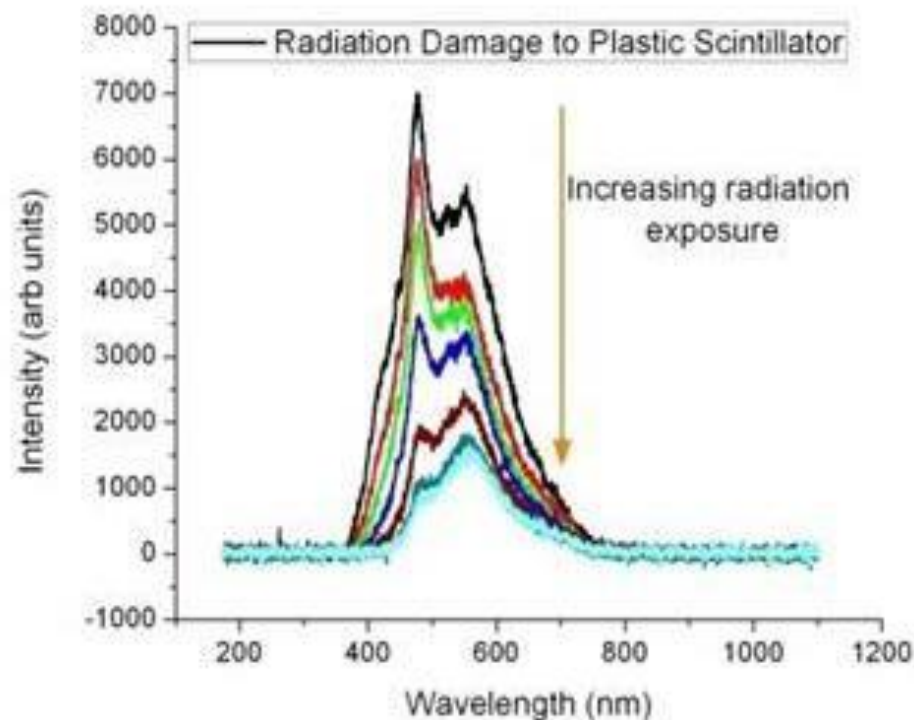
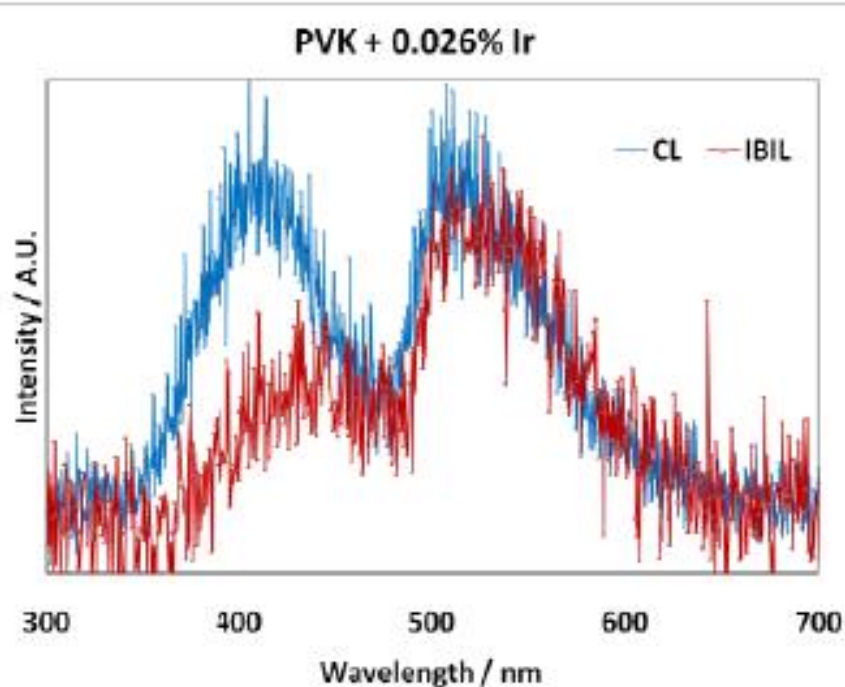
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# IBIL of MOFs

Collaborators: P. Feng, F.P. Doty, & J. Villone

*Metal-organic frameworks demonstrate spectral discrimination with IBIL/CL*



- Spectral discrimination
- CL simulates response to gamma rays
- IBIL simulates response to neutrons

- PL and IBIL of MOF demonstrating spectral discrimination
- IBIL decay of MOFs with irradiation – changes observed in relative peak height

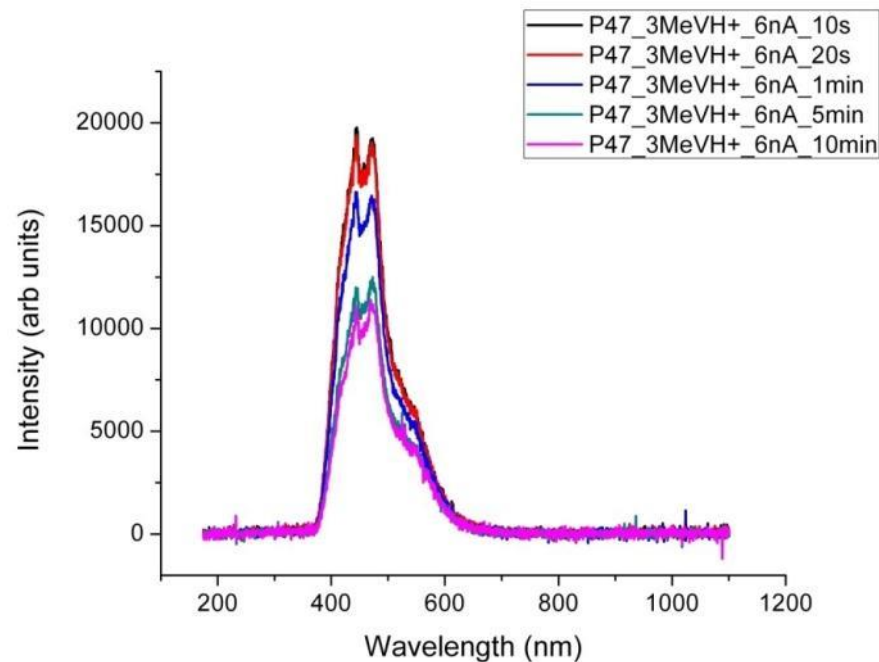
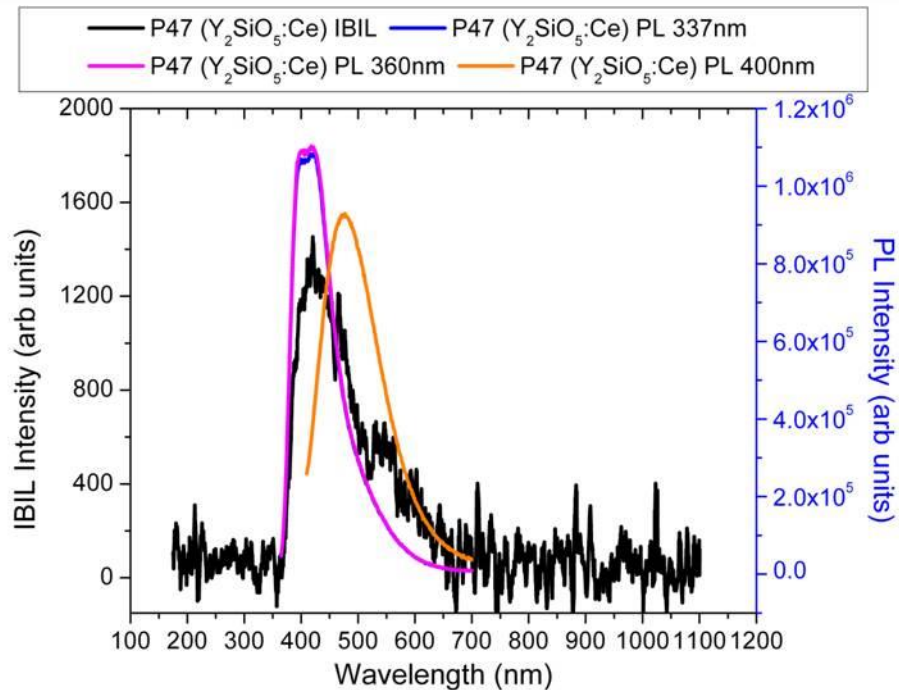


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# IBIL of Oxides

Collaborators: J. Villone & G. Vizkelethy

*P47 phosphor studied for potential in radiation effects microscopy*



- P47 is effective phosphor – PL and IBIL similar
- Peak emission dependent on excitation wavelength

- Degradation in optical properties also observed in P47
- Oxides demonstrate improved radiation tolerance compared to organic scintillators

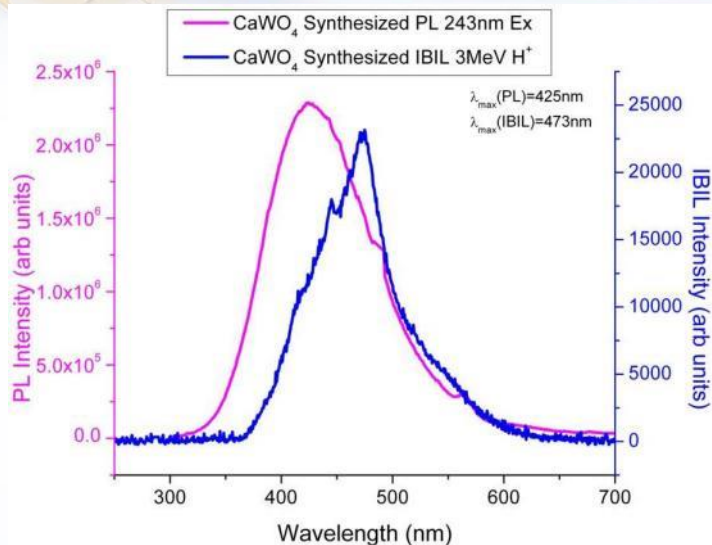


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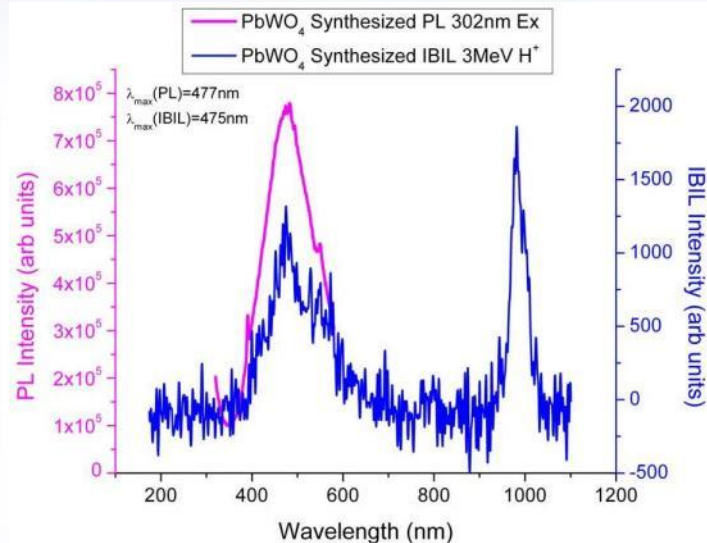


# IBIL of Nanoscintillators

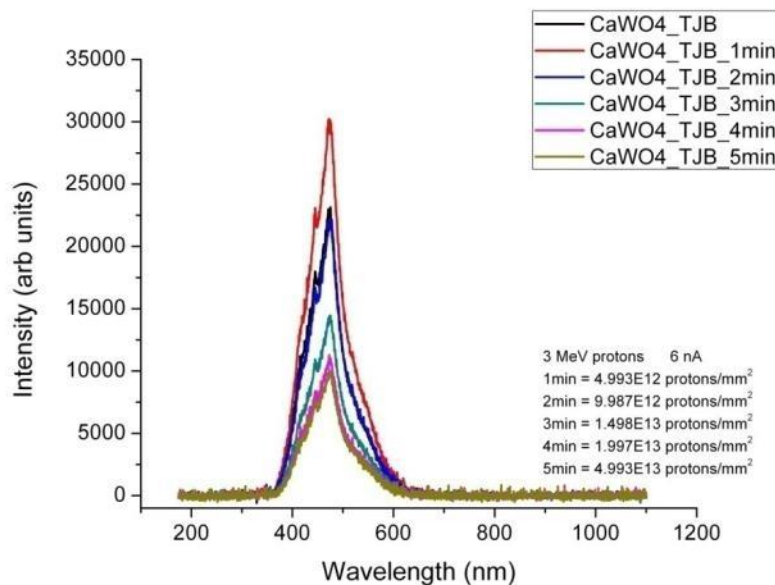
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**Luminescence with proton excitation demonstrates different properties than with UV excitation**



**Crucial to study materials with various excitation mechanisms to fully understand luminescent properties**



**Most materials demonstrate a degradation in optical properties with irradiation – want to understand fundamental mechanism**



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# Nearly *in situ* SEM of Nanoscintillators

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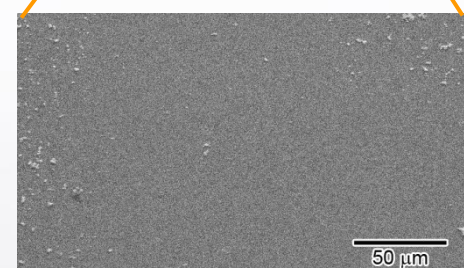
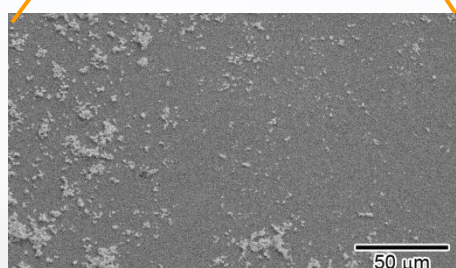
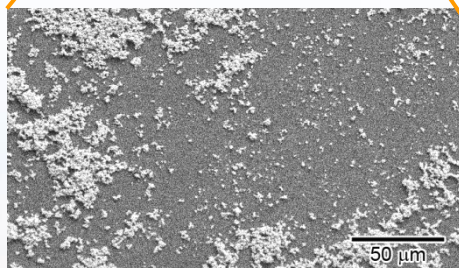
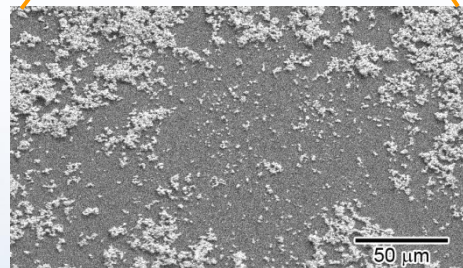
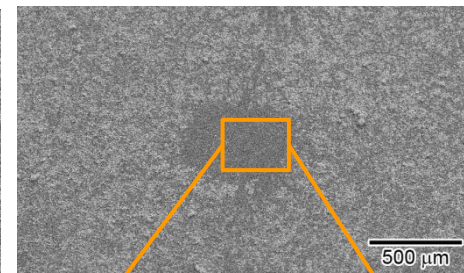
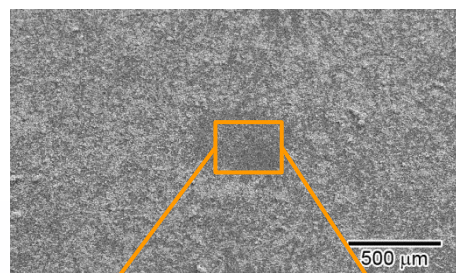
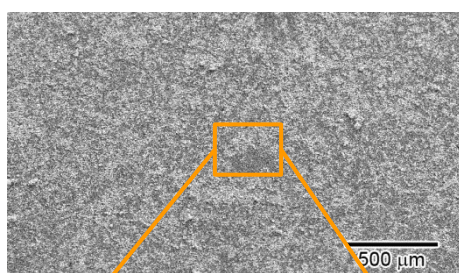
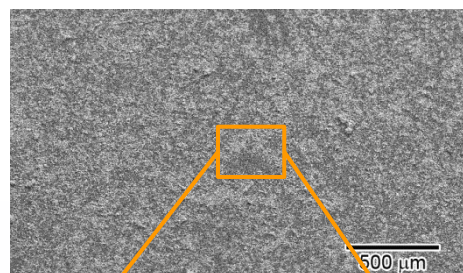
## Nearly In-situ SEM Ion Irradiation of Nanoscintillators

As deposited Nanoparticles

3 MeV H<sup>+</sup> 7 nA 1 sec

3 MeV H<sup>+</sup> 7 nA 5 sec

3 MeV H<sup>+</sup> 7 nA 30 sec



- Drop cast films of PbWO<sub>4</sub> nanoscintillators irradiated with 3 MeV H<sup>+</sup> beam, then imaged with SEM
- Material being ablated off of the surface – need better technique to study microstructural changes

Can we understand how the microstructure is affected by irradiation?  
How does the influences effect optical properties?



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# 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

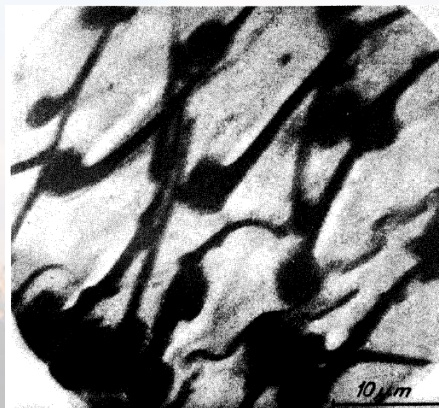


Fig. 6: Wing surface of the house fly.  
(First internal photograph,  $U = 60$  kV,  $M_s = 2200$ )  
(Dietzel, E., and Müller, H.O.: Z. Wiss. Mikroskopie 52, 53-57 (1955))

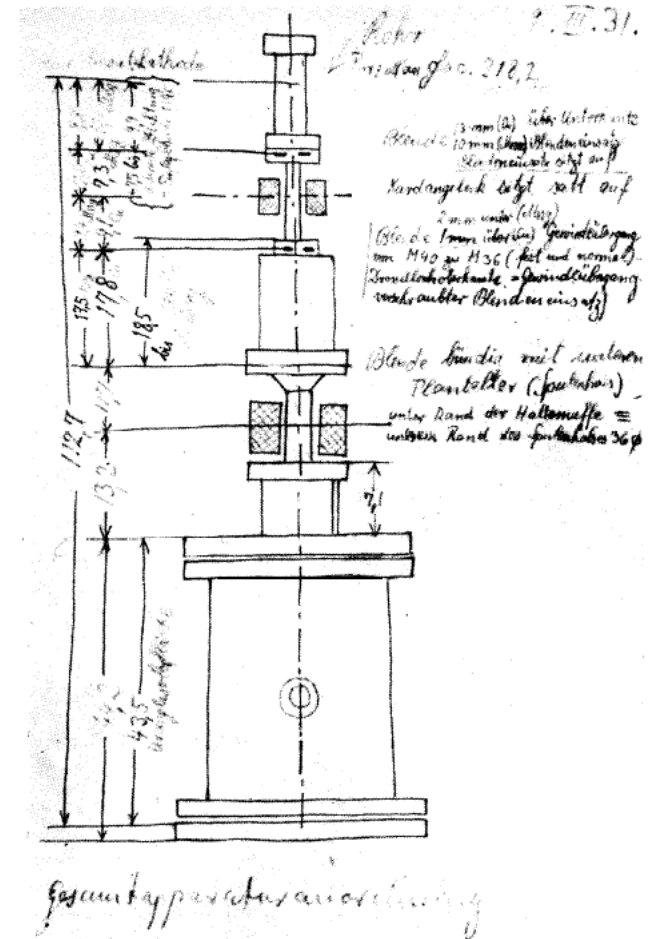
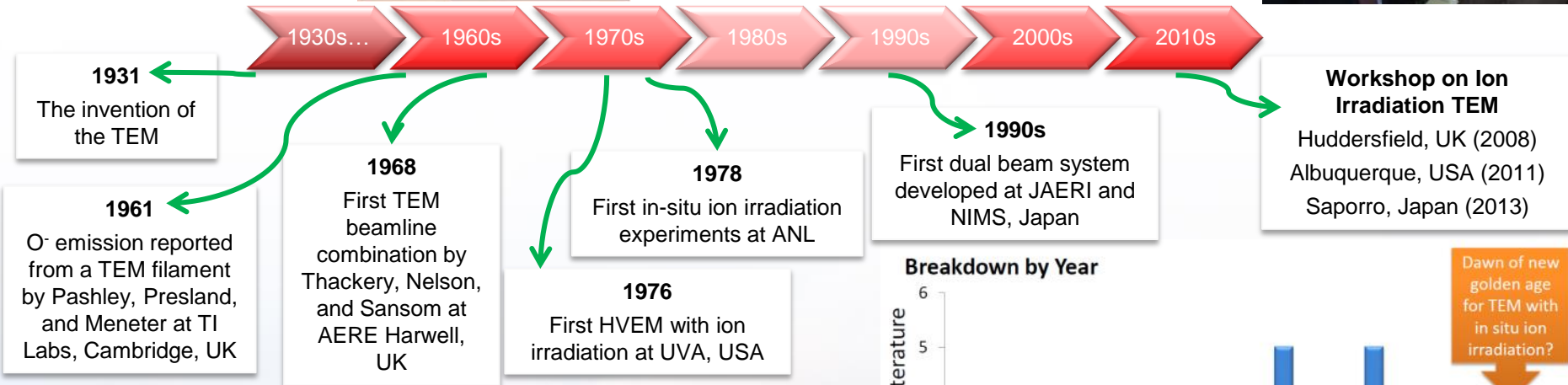


Fig. 2: Sketch by the author (9 March 1931) of the cathode ray tube for testing one-stage and two-stage electron-optical imaging by means of two magnetic electron lenses (electron microscope) [8].

# History of *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM



Courtesy of: J. Hinks

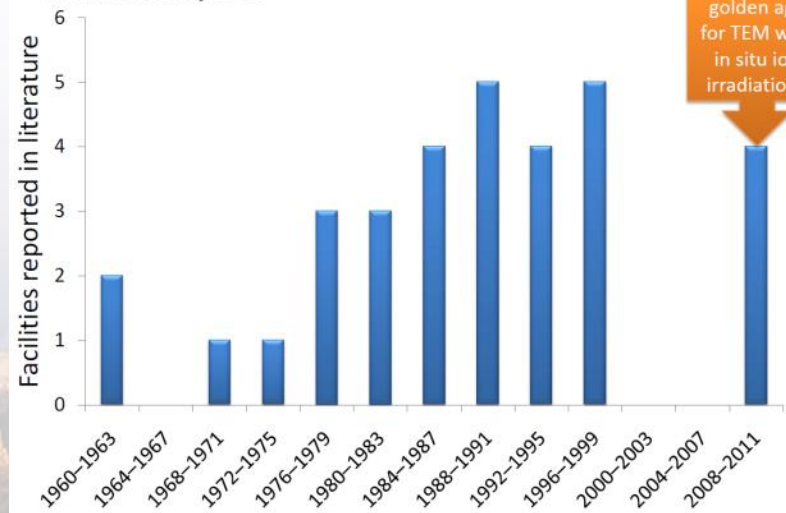


**“The direct observation of ion damage in the electron microscope thus represents a powerful means of studying radiation damage”**



D.W. Pashley and A.E.B. Presland Phil Mag. 6(68) 1961 p. 1003

**Breakdown by Year**

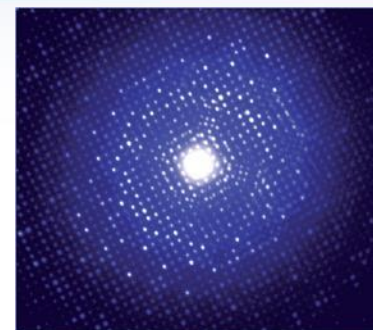
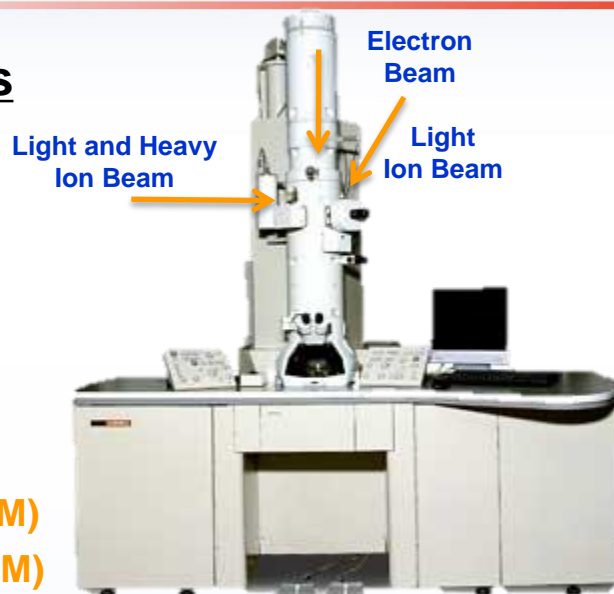




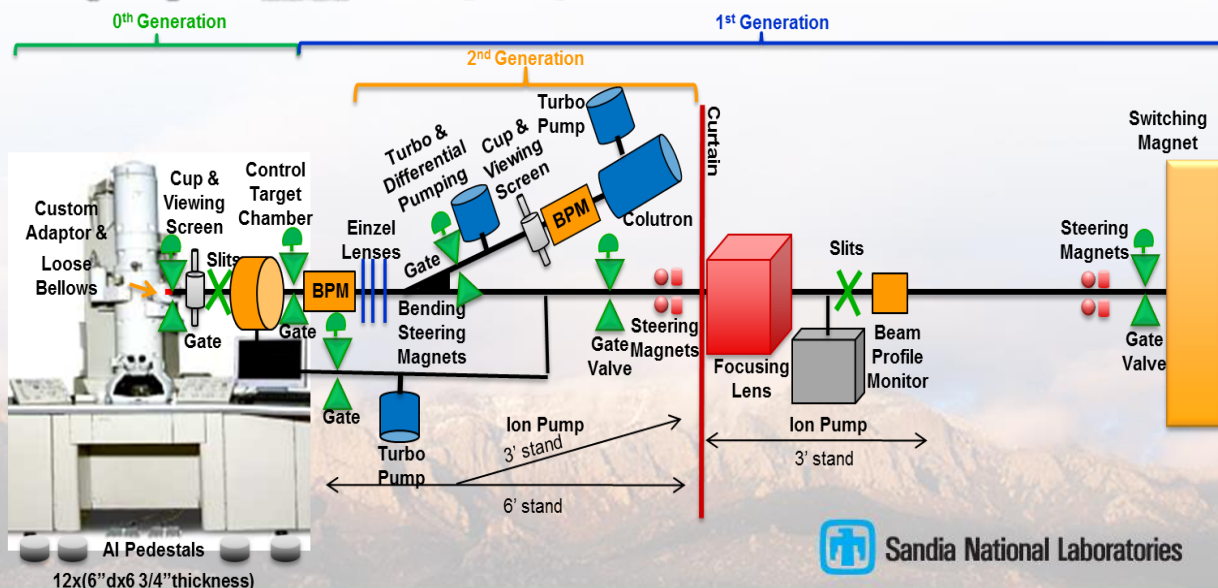
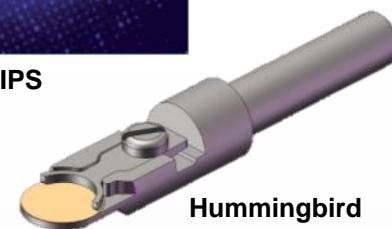
# *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM Facility

## Proposed Capabilities

- 200 kV LaB<sub>6</sub> TEM
- Ion beams considered:
  - Range of Sputtered Ions
  - 10 keV D<sup>2+</sup>
  - 10 keV He<sup>+</sup>
- All beams hit same location
- Nanosecond time resolution (DTEM)
- Procession scanning (EBSD in TEM)
- *In situ* PL, CL, and IBIL
- *In situ* vapor phase stage
- *In situ* liquid mixing stage
- *In situ* heating
- Tomography stage (2x)
- *In situ* cooling stage
- *In situ* electrical bias stage
- *In situ* straining stage



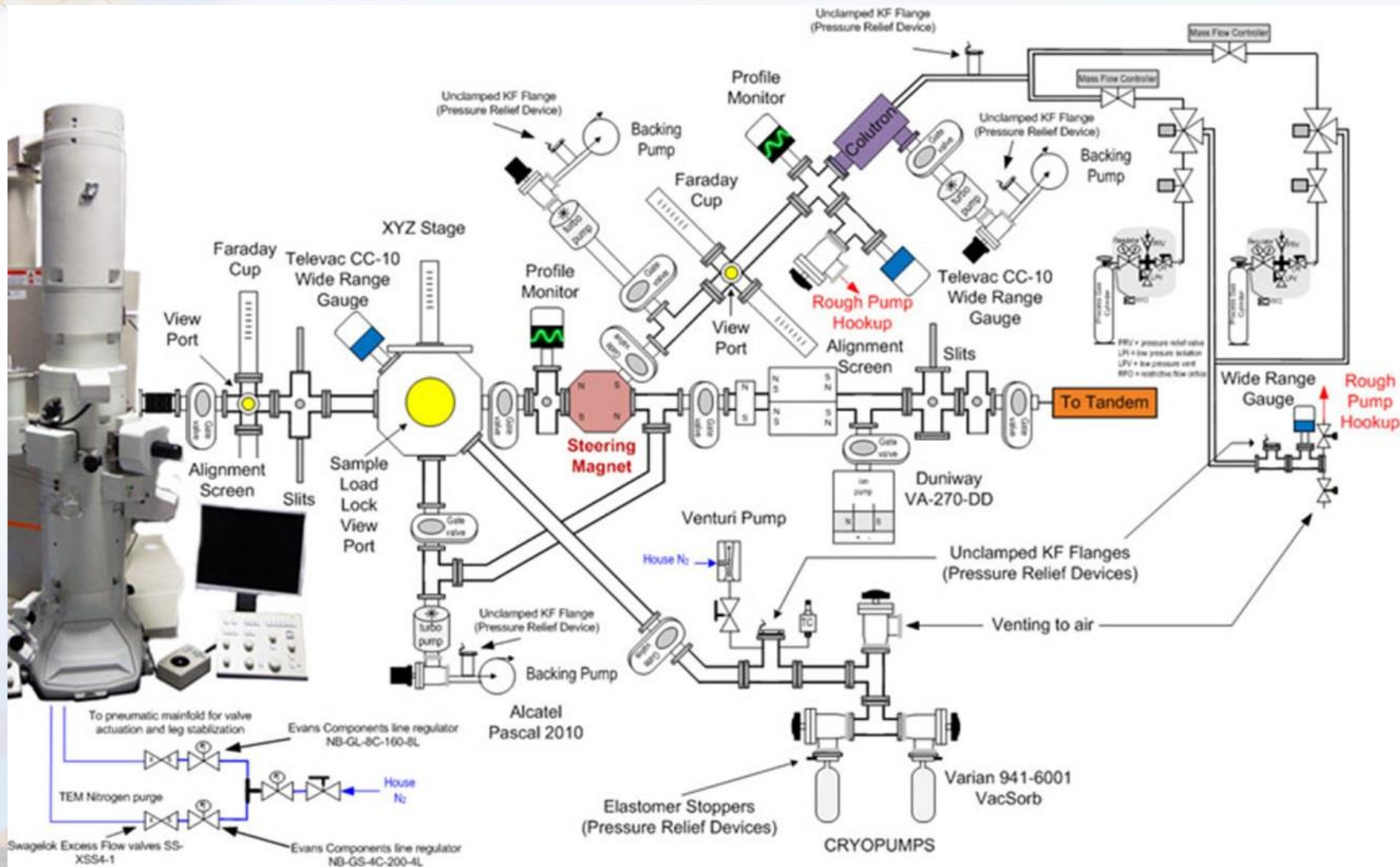
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# Schematic of the *In situ* TEM Beamline

Collaborators: M.T. Marshall J.A. Scott, & D.L. Buller

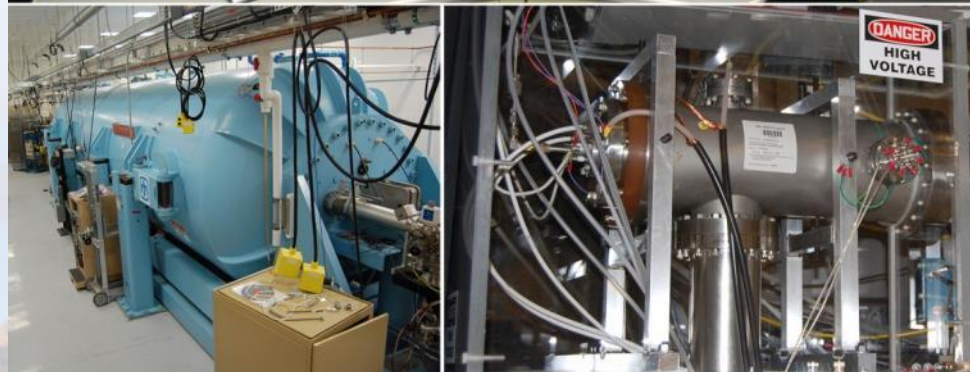
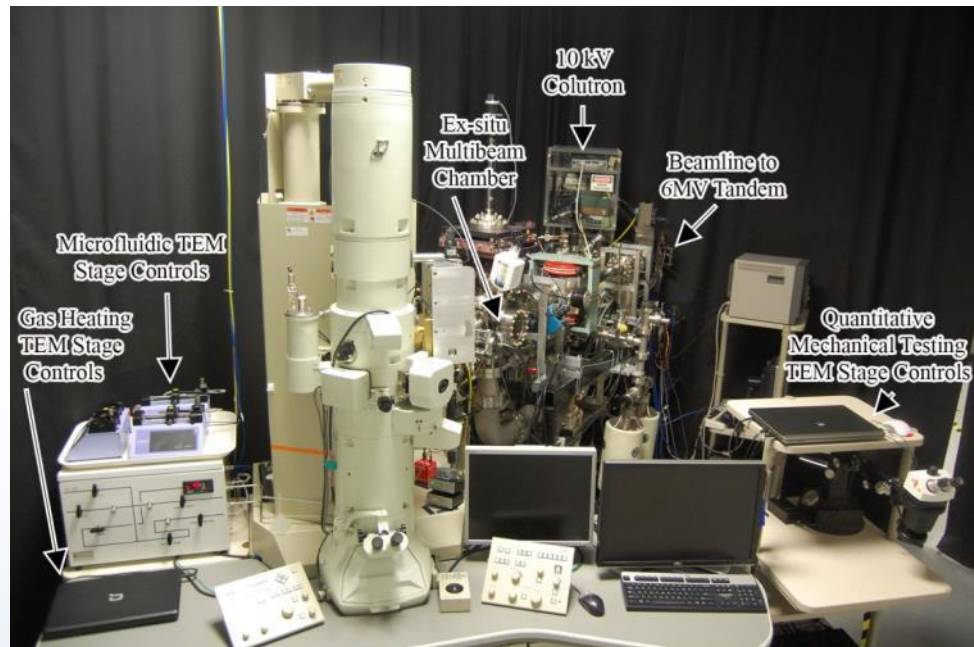




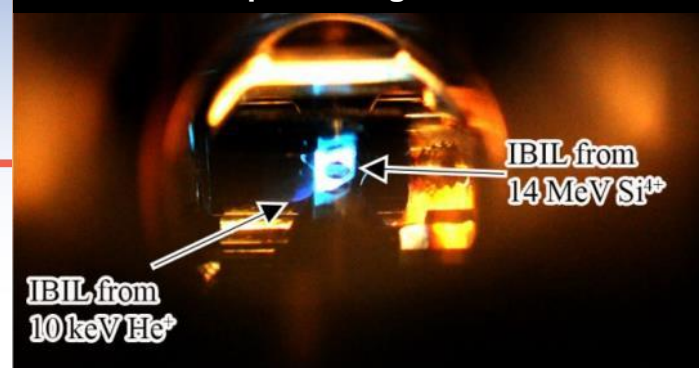
# Sandia's Concurrent *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM Facility

Collaborator: D.L. Buller

10 kV Colutron - 200 kV TEM - 6 MV Tandem

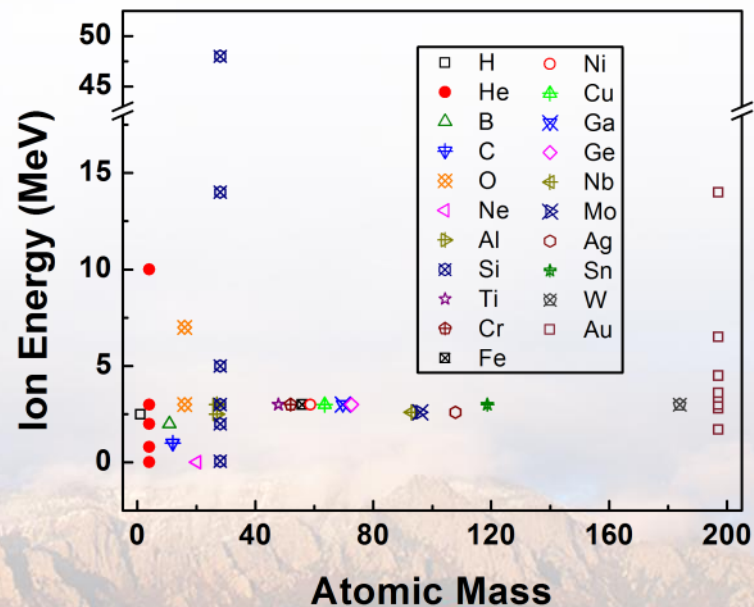


IBIL from a quartz stage inside the TEM



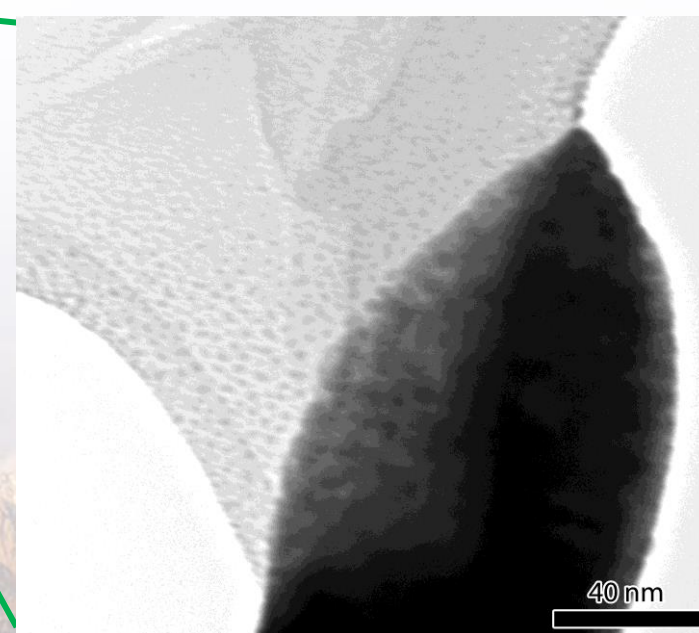
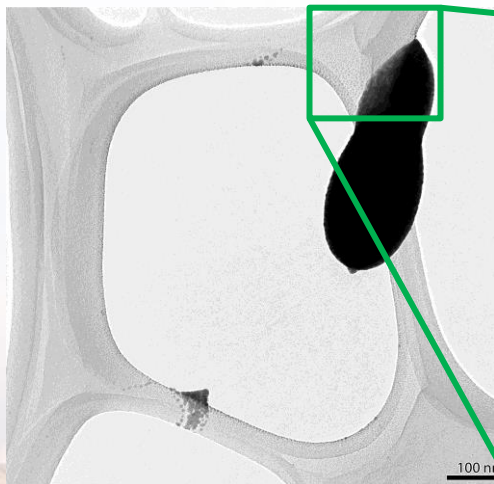
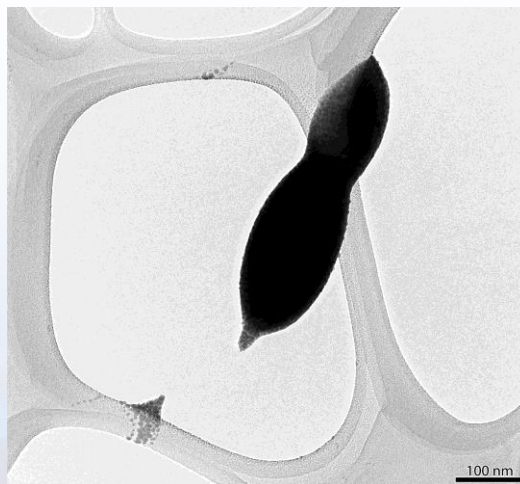
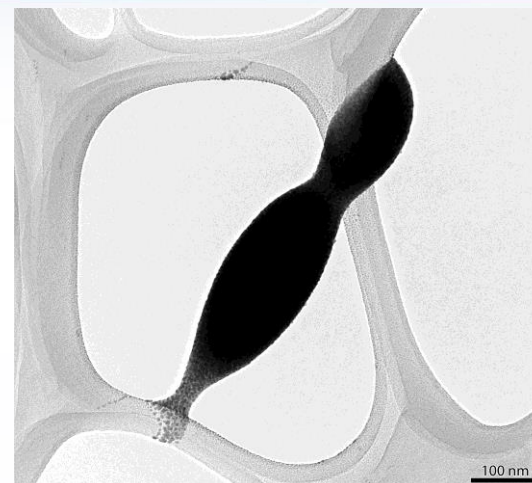
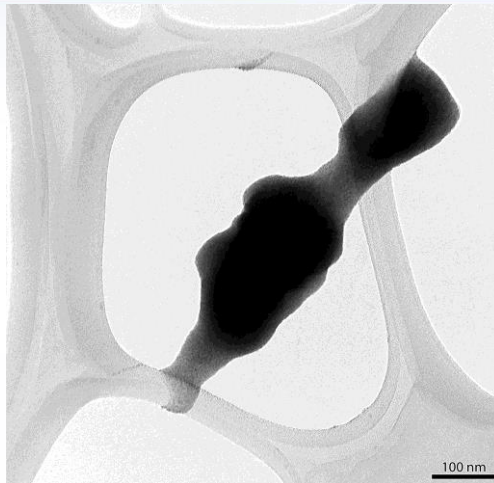
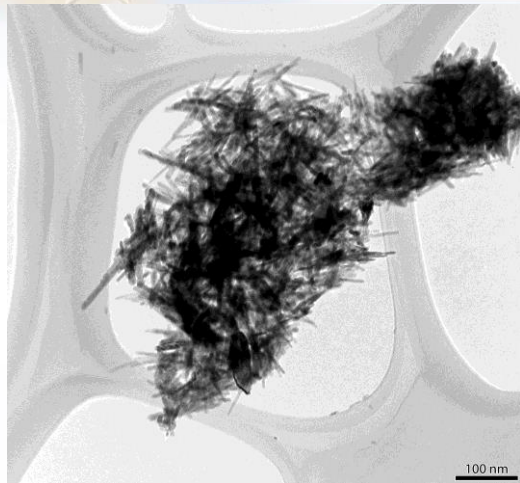
Direct real time observation  
of ion irradiation,  
ion implantation, or both  
with nanometer resolution

Ion species & energy introduced into the TEM



# $\text{CdWO}_4$ Irradiated with 50 nA of 3 MeV $\text{Cu}^{3+}$

Collaborators: S.M. Hoppe & B.A. Hernandez-Sanchez

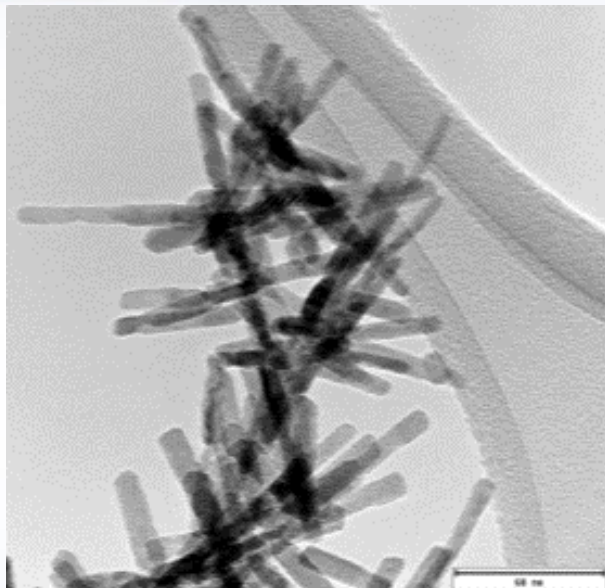


Over 1 hr, nanorods broke into small pieces and sputtered onto nearby lace.

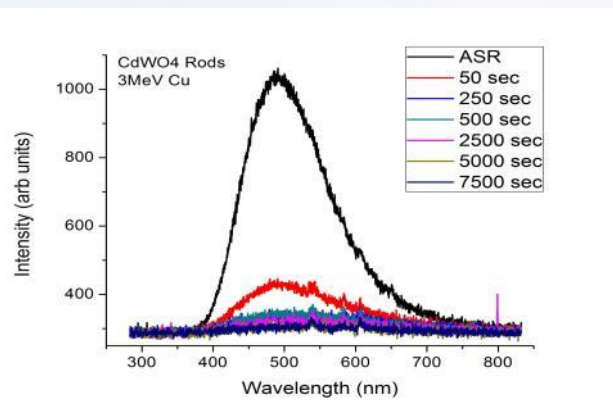


# Radiation Tolerance is Needed in Advanced Scintillators for Non-proliferation Applications

Contributors: S.M. Hoppe, B.A. Hernandez-Sanchez, T. Boyle



High-Z nanoparticles are promising, but are radiation sensitive



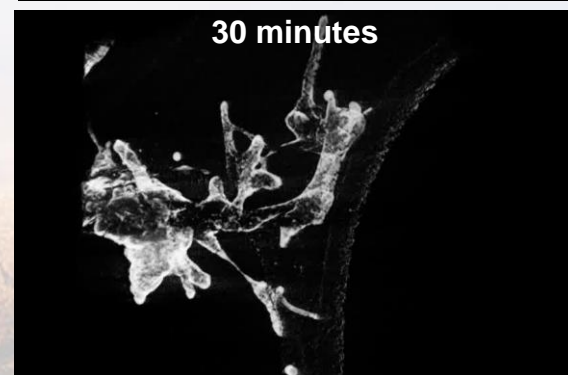
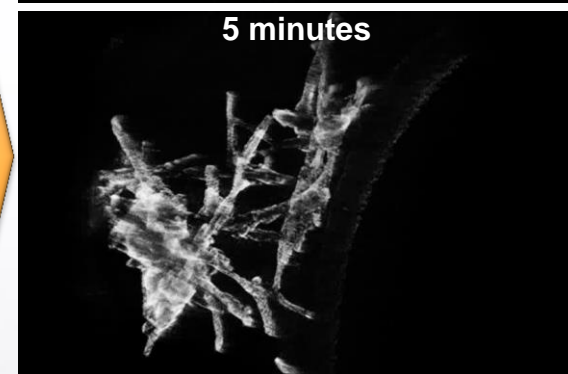
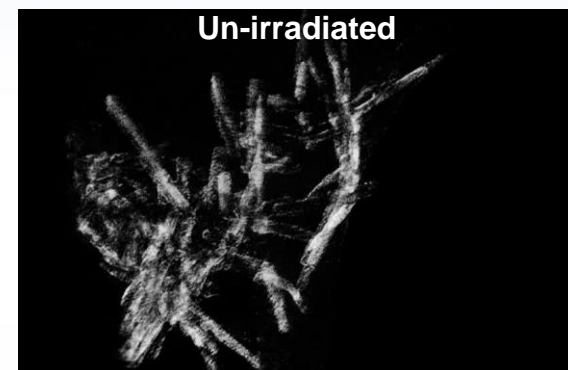
## *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM (I<sup>3</sup>TEM)



Hummingbird tomography stage



Tomography of Irradiated CdWO<sub>4</sub>:  
3 MeV Cu<sup>3+</sup> at ~30 nA



# Cumulative Effects of Ion Irradiation as a Function of Ion Energy and Au Particle Size

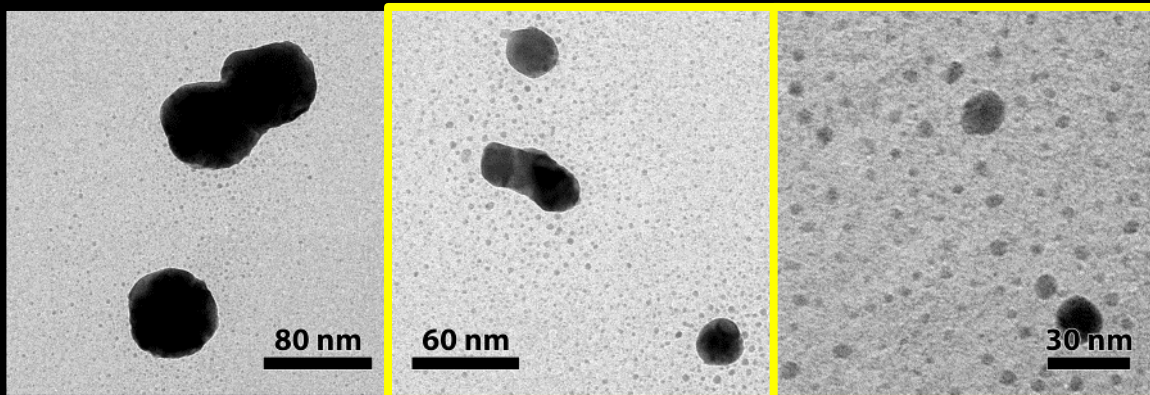
60 nm

20 nm

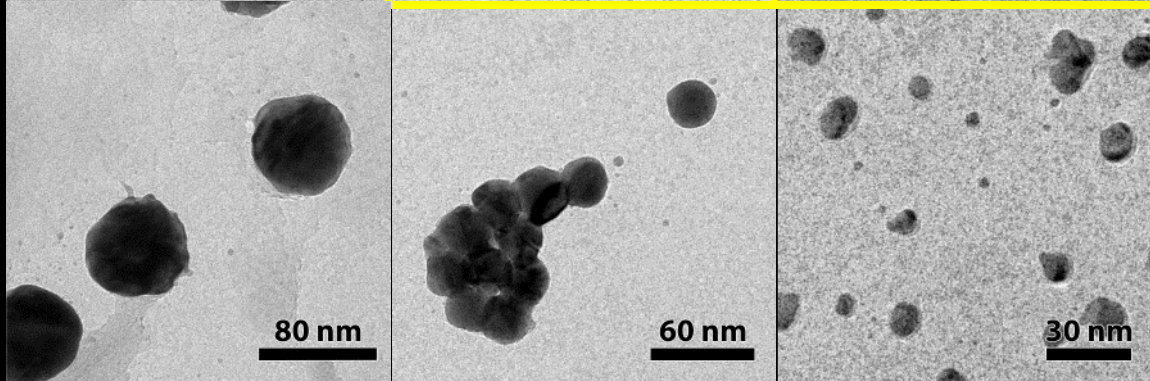
5 nm

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford

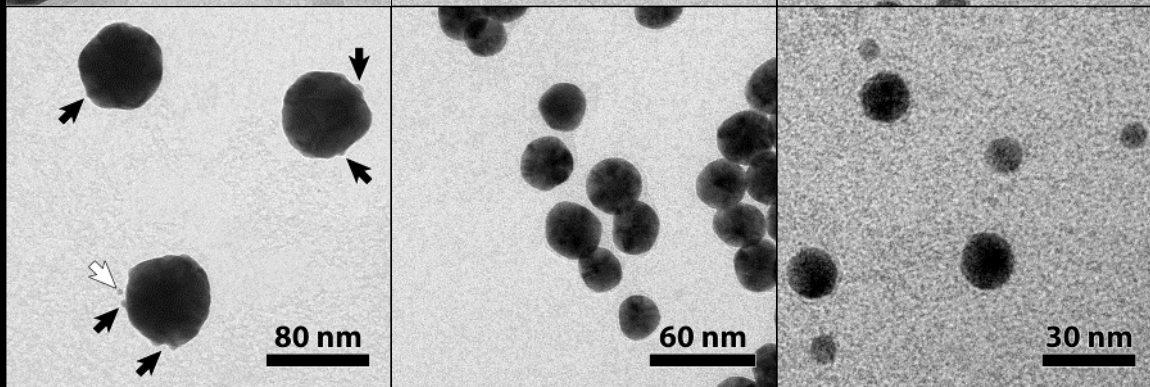
46 keV Au<sup>1+</sup>  
 $3.4 \times 10^{14} / \text{cm}^2$



2.8 MeV Au<sup>4+</sup>  
 $4 \times 10^{13} / \text{cm}^2$



10 MeV Au<sup>8+</sup>  
 $1.3 \times 10^{12} / \text{cm}^2$

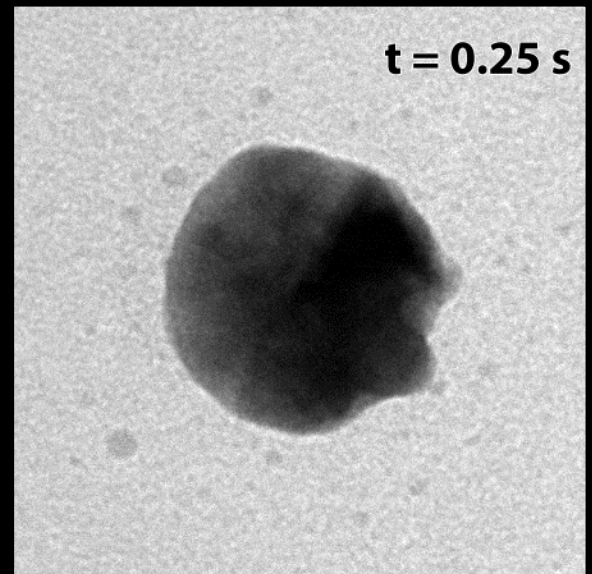
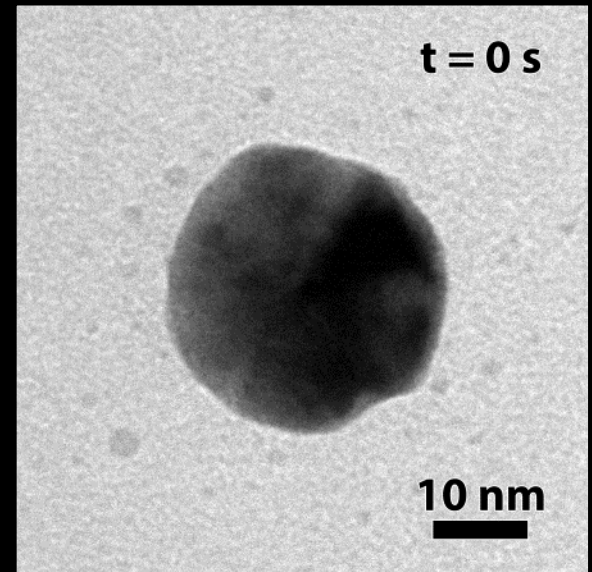
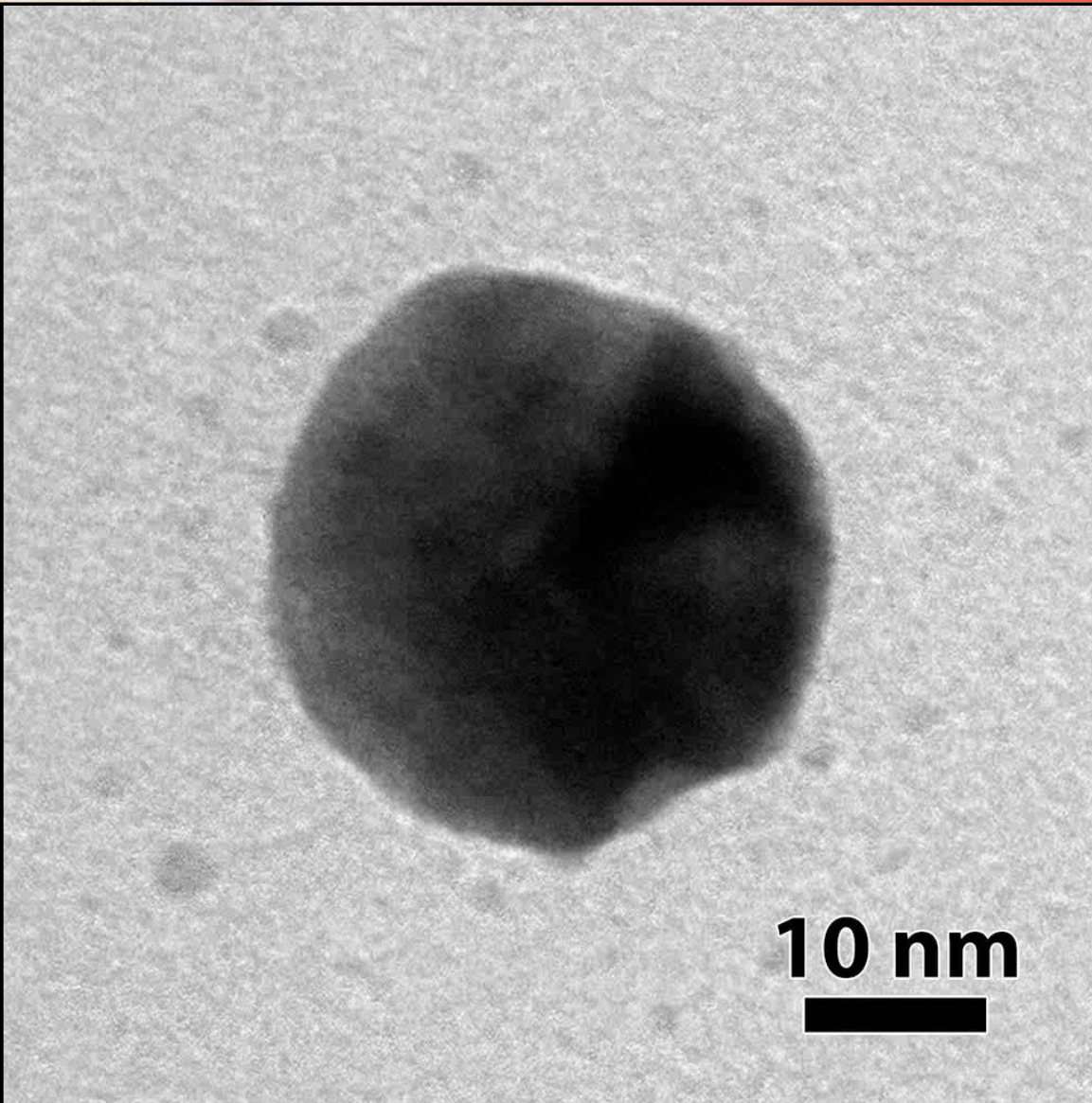


Particle and ion energy dictate the ratio of sputtering, particle motion, particle agglomeration, and other active mechanisms



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

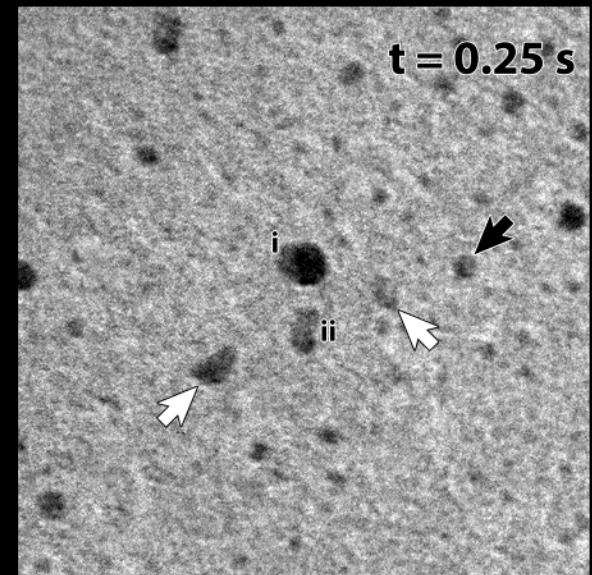
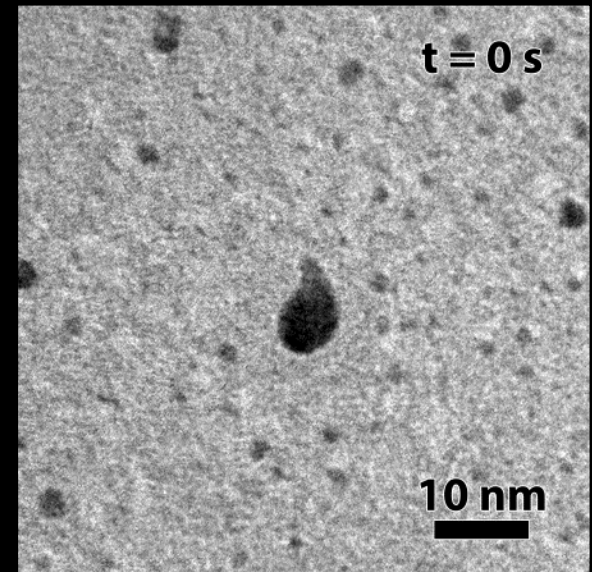
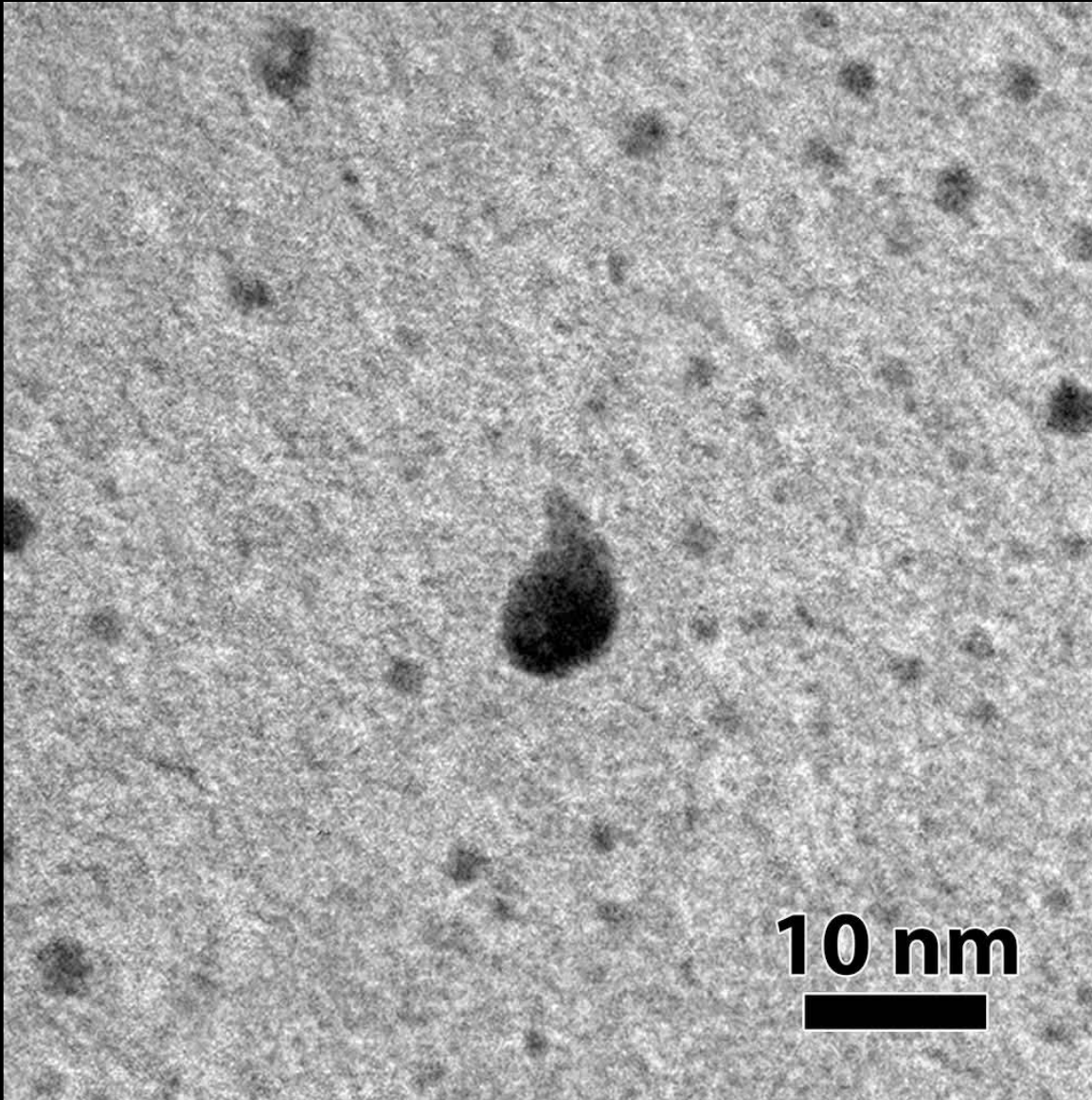
Collaborator: D.C. Bufford





# Single Ion Effects with 46 keV $\text{Au}^{1+}$ ions: 5 nm

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford



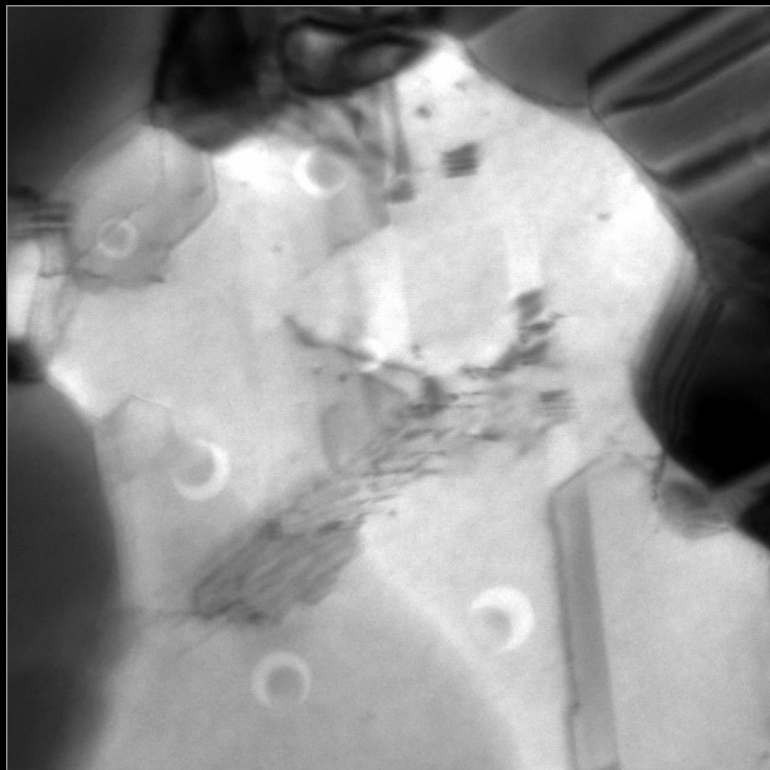




# Single Ion Strikes

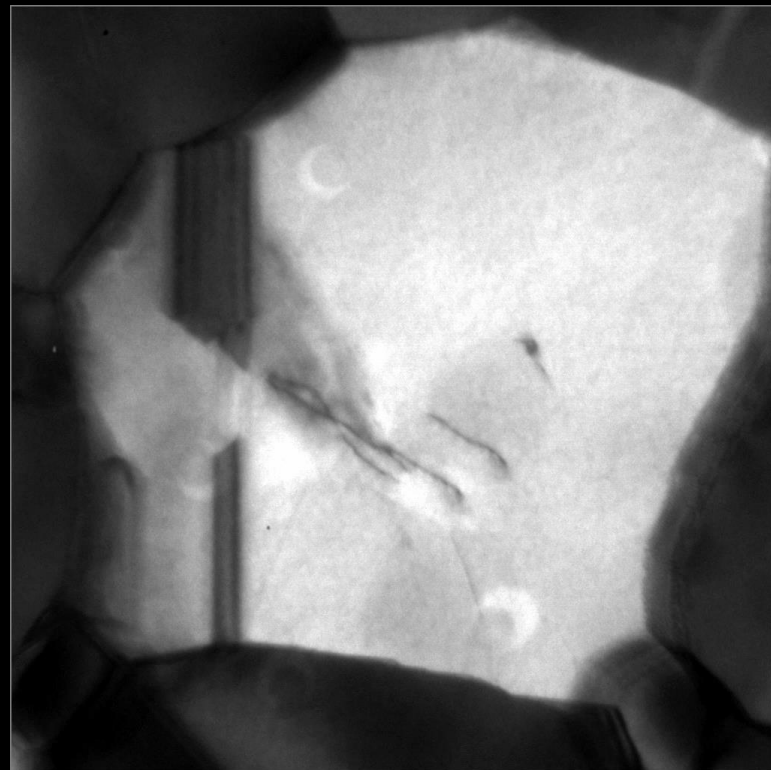
Collaborators: C. Chisholm & A. Minor

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



**VS**

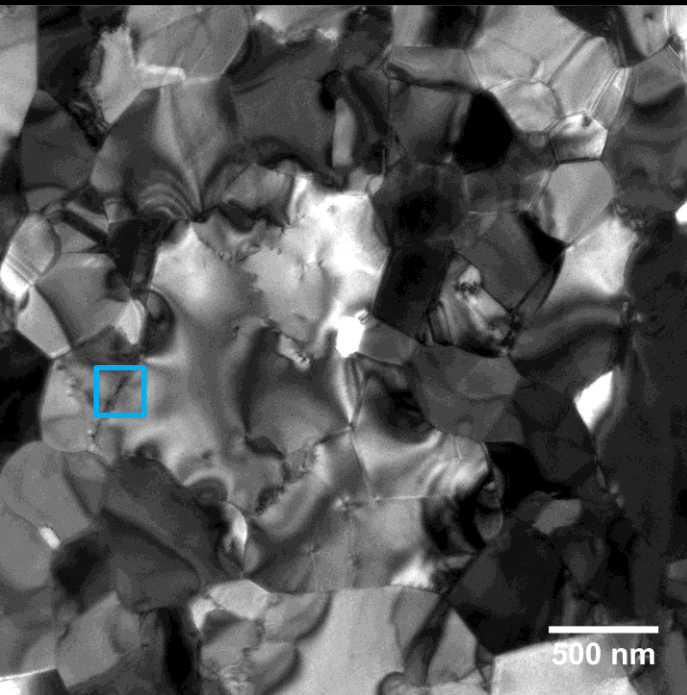
$6.7 \times 10^7$  ions/cm<sup>2</sup>/s



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

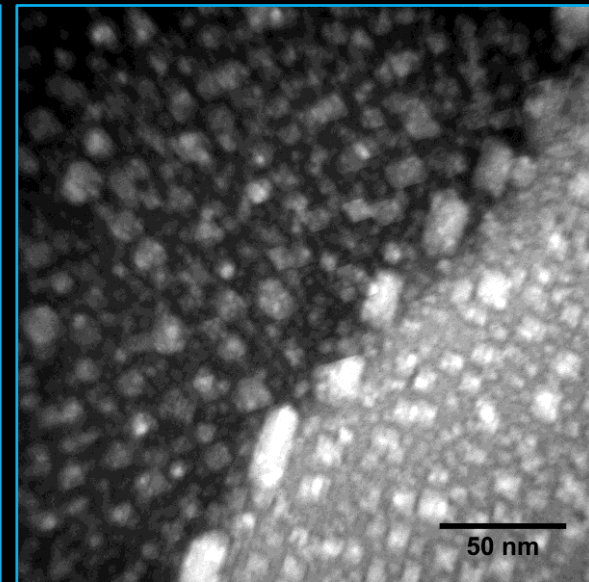
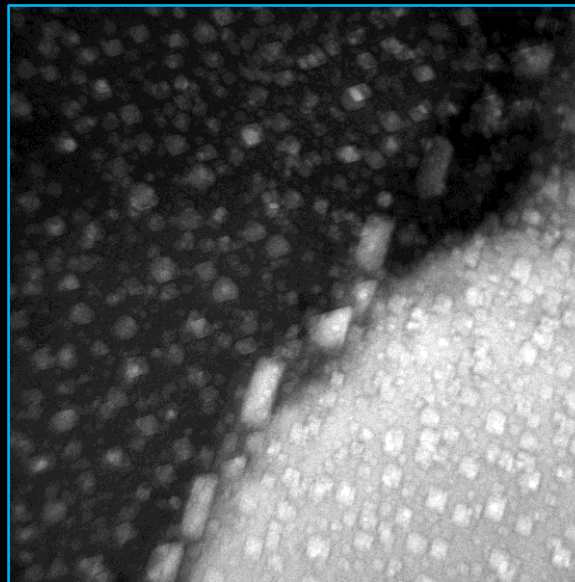
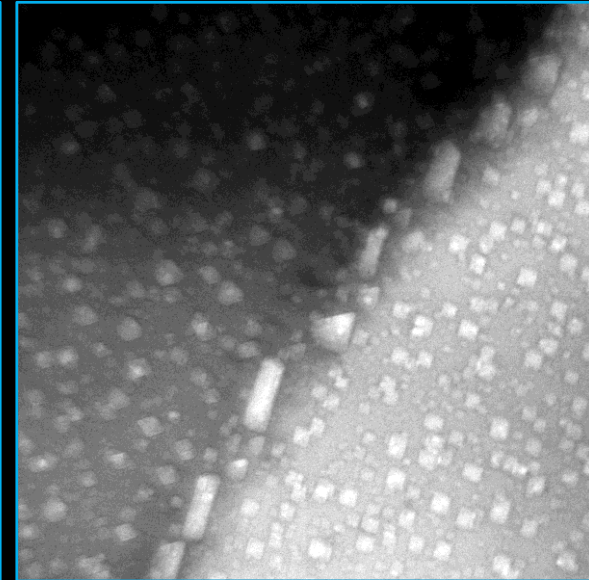
# *In situ* Implantation

Collaborators: C. Chisholm & A. Minor



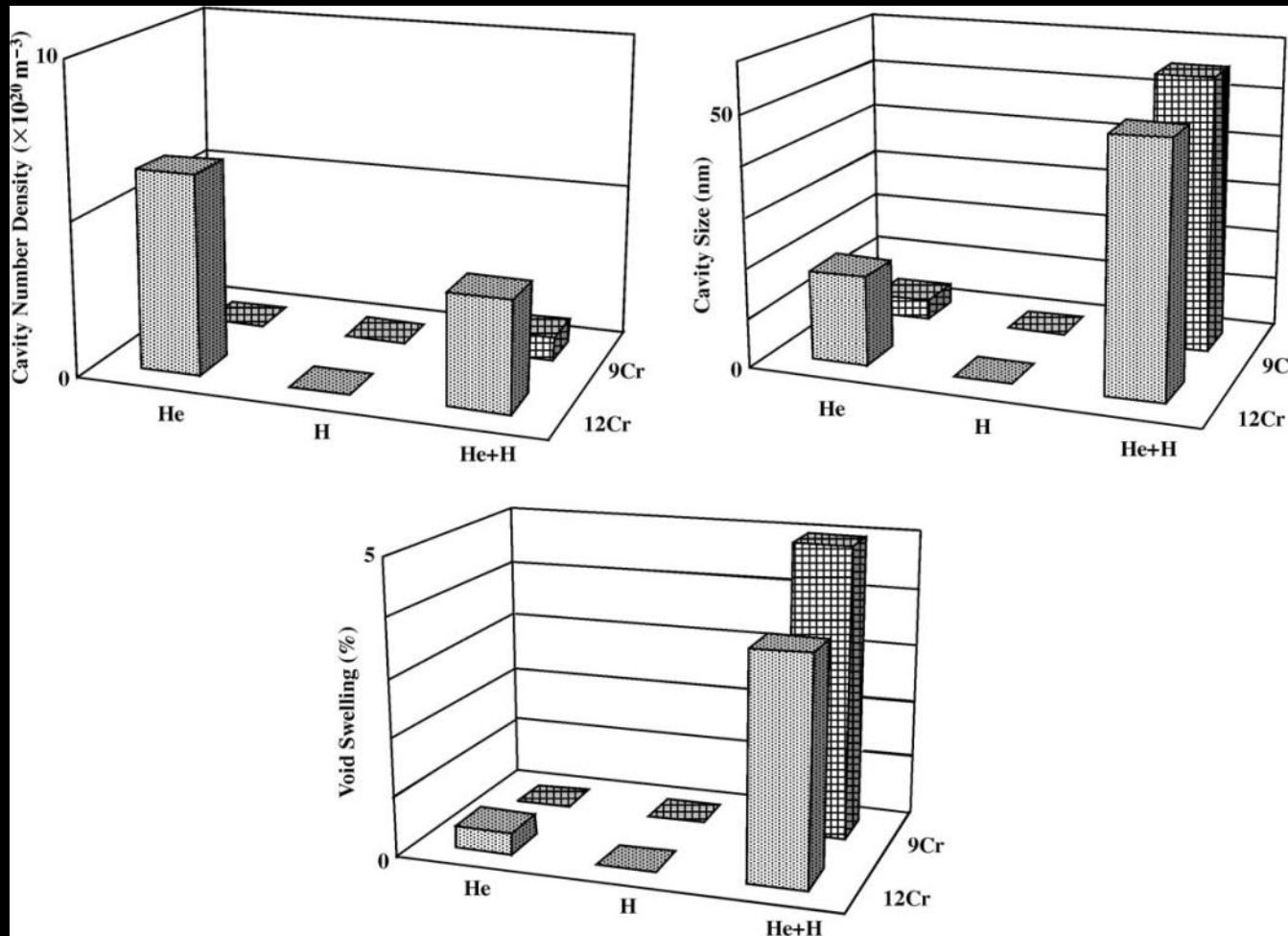
**Gold thin-film implanted  
with 10keV He<sup>2+</sup>**

**Result: porous  
microstructure**





# H, He, and Displacement Damage Synergy



## Coupling Effect

- H and He are produced as decay products
- The relationship between the point defects present, the interstitial hydrogen, and the He bubbles in the system that results in the increased void swelling has only been theorized.
- The mechanisms which governs the increased void swelling under the presence of He and H have never been experimentally determined

No capability currently exist for triple beam irradiation in the U.S. and No capability for tripple beam TEM ion irradiation exists in the world

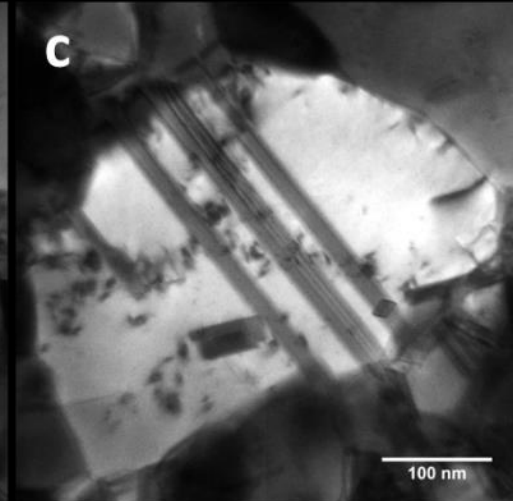
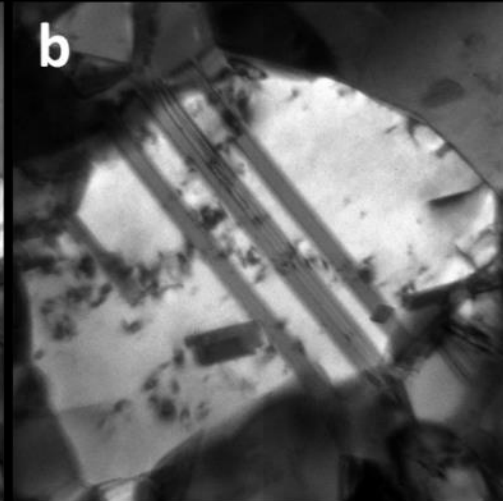
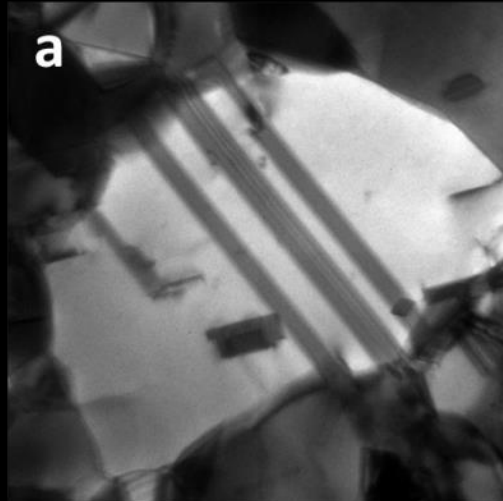
T. Tanaka et al. "Synergistic effect of helium and hydrogen for defect evolution under milt-ion irradiation of Fe-Cr ferritic alloys"

J. of Nuclear Materials 329-333 (2004) 294-298

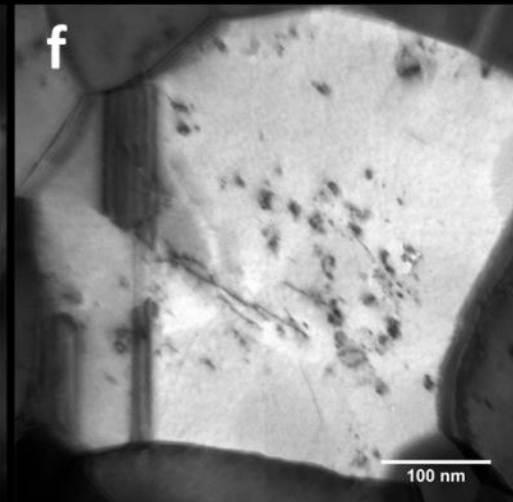
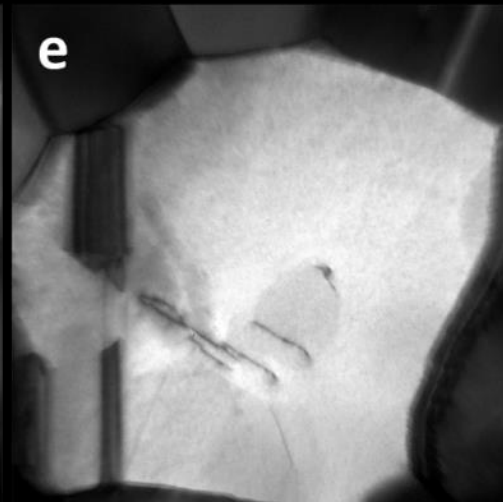
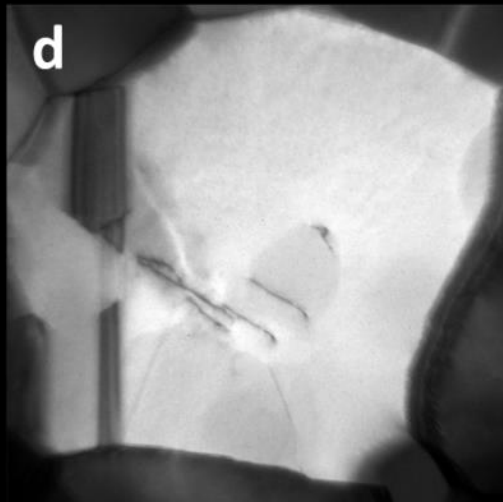
# *In situ* Successive Implantation & Irradiation

Collaborators: C. Chisholm & A. Minor

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



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

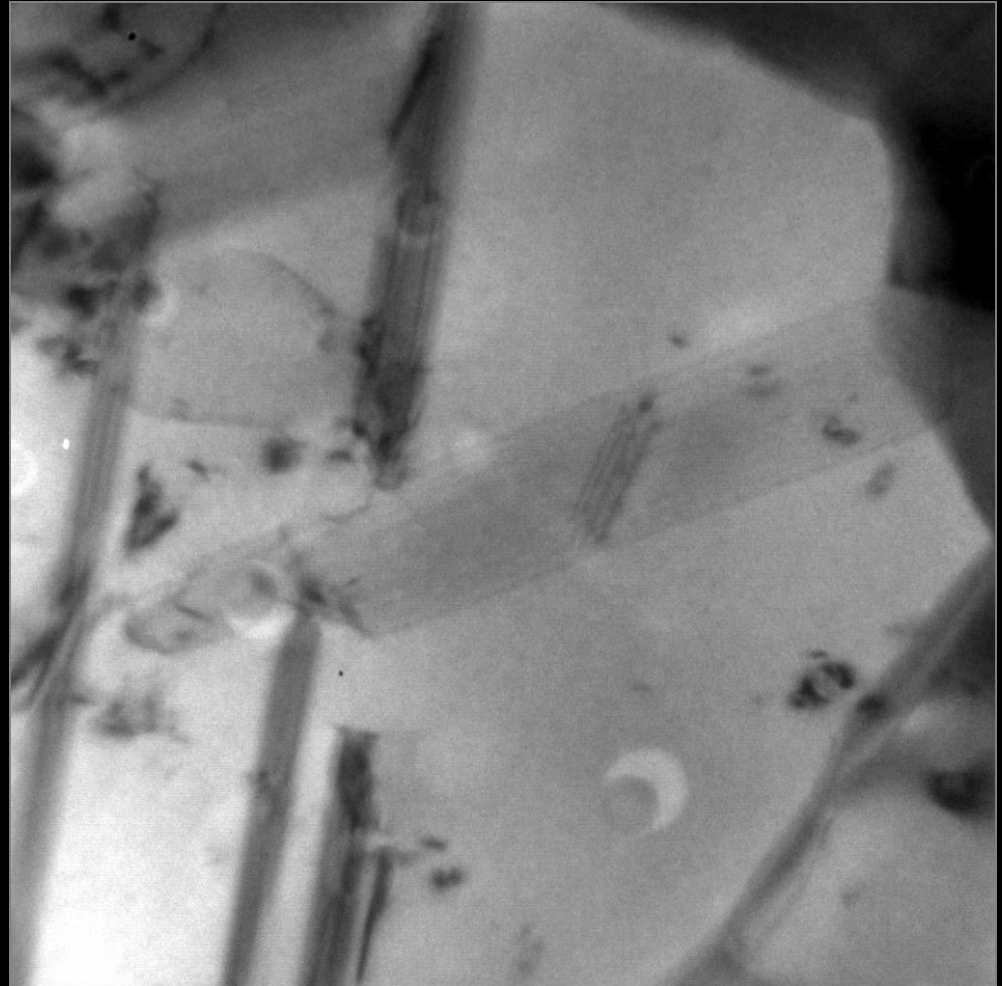
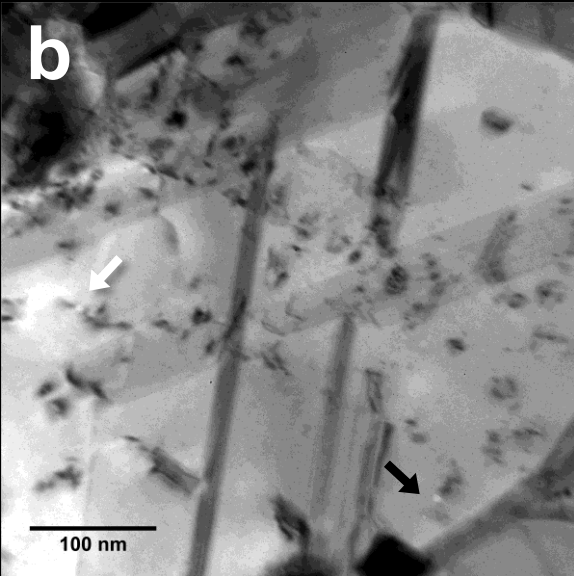
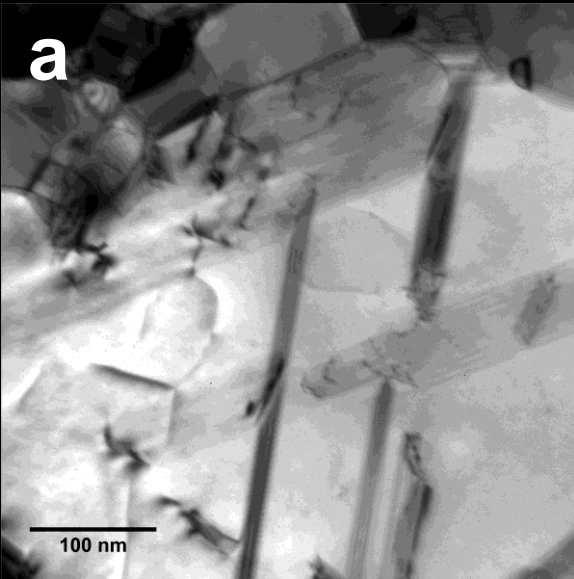




# *In situ* Concurrent Implantation & Irradiation

Collaborators: C. Chisholm & A. Minor

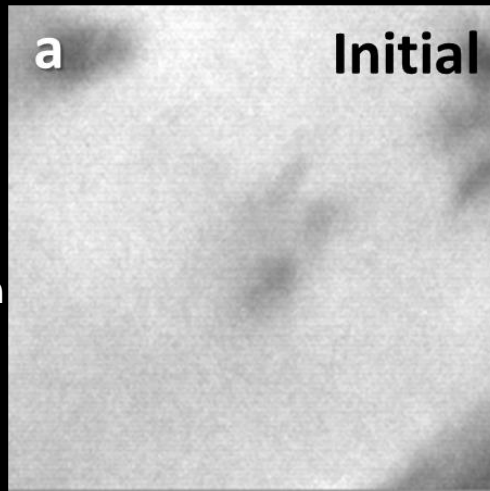
$\text{He}^{1+}$  implantation and  $\text{Au}^{4+}$  irradiation  
of a gold thin film



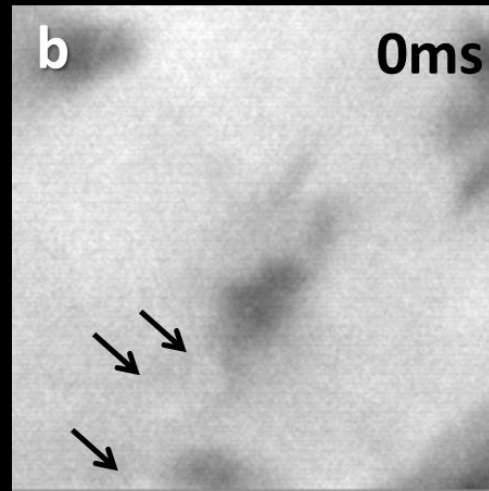
# Single Ion Strikes During Concurrent Irradiation: Nucleation of Helium Cavities

Collaborators: C. Chisholm & A. Minor

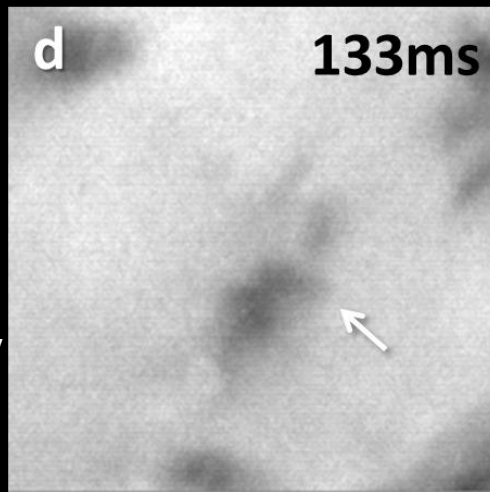
a) Initial microstructure



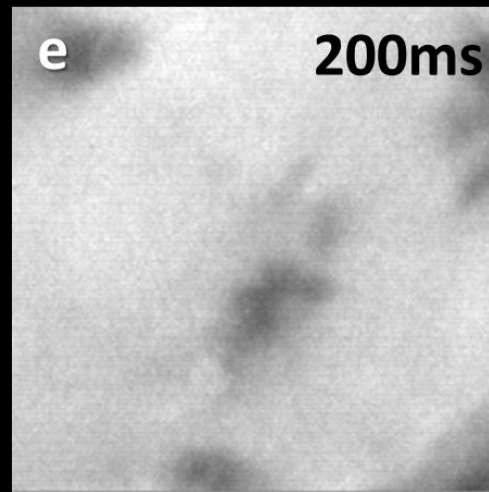
b) Cascade: Creation of dislocation loops, vacancy clusters, and three cavities



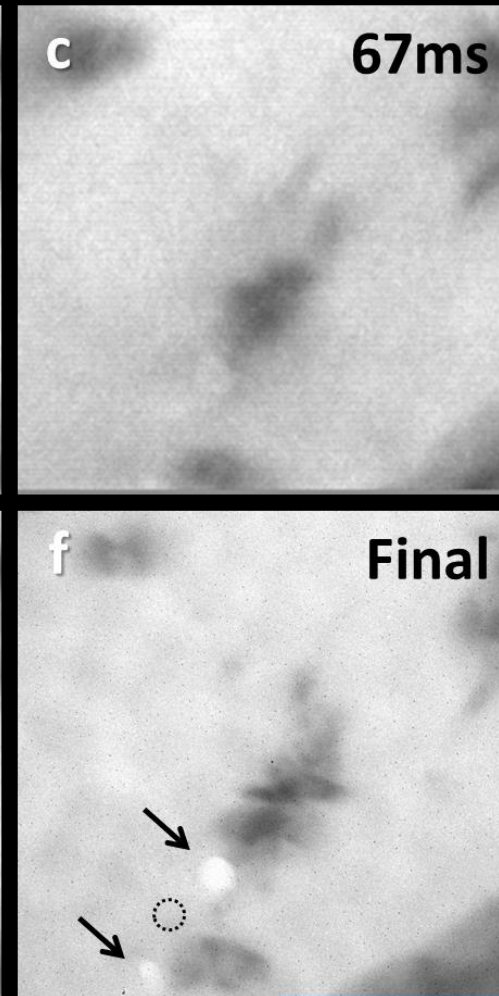
d) Cascade damage still evolving



e) Apparent stability

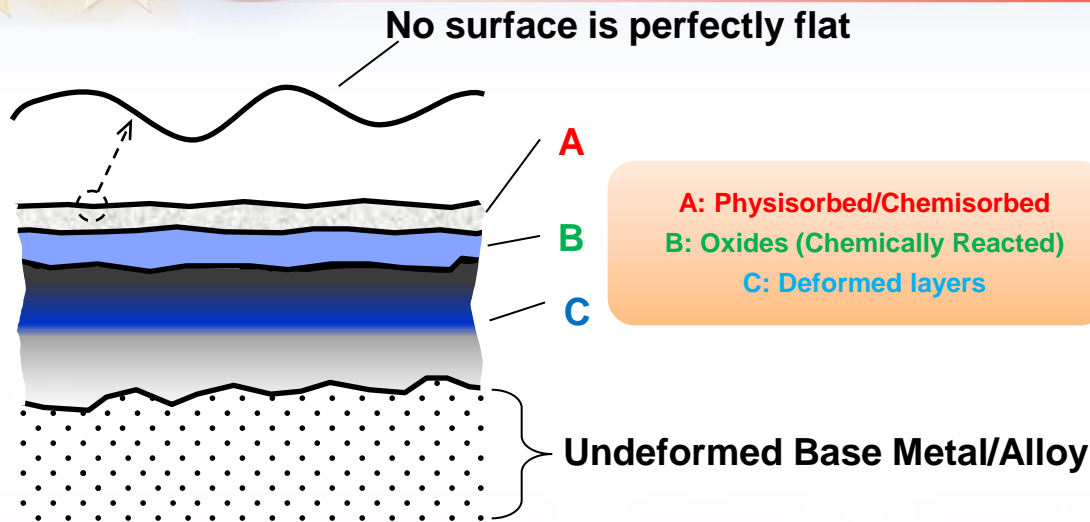


f) Final microstructure: Only two remaining cavities





# Nature of Metallic Surfaces

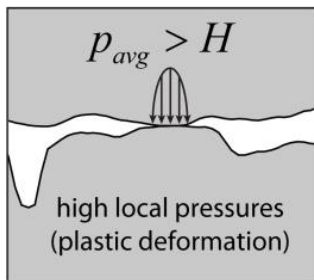


**A: Physisorbed/Chemisorbed**  
**B: Oxides (Chemically Reacted)**  
**C: Deformed layers**

*Real area of contact ( $A_r$ ) to be minimized for low adhesion  
(Low Adhesive Wear)  
Or maximized for reduced electrical contact resistance (ECR)*

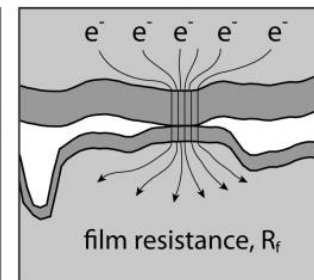
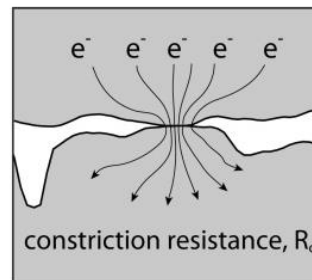
## Asperity Contacts, Constriction, Asperity Contacts and Surface Films

areal sum of asperity contacts and surface films define electrical contact resistance



... for metal contacts the real area is a function of hardness and contact force (Bowden & Tabor, 1939):

$$A_r \cong \frac{F_n}{H}$$



... ECR is a function of the constriction and film resistances:

$$ECR = \sum_i (R_{c,i} + R_{f,i})$$

Archard, *Journal of Applied Physics* (1953) 24:981

R. Holm, *Electrical Contacts Handbook* (1958) Berlin: Springer-Verlag

Greenwood & Williamson, *Proc. Royal Society* (1966) A295:300

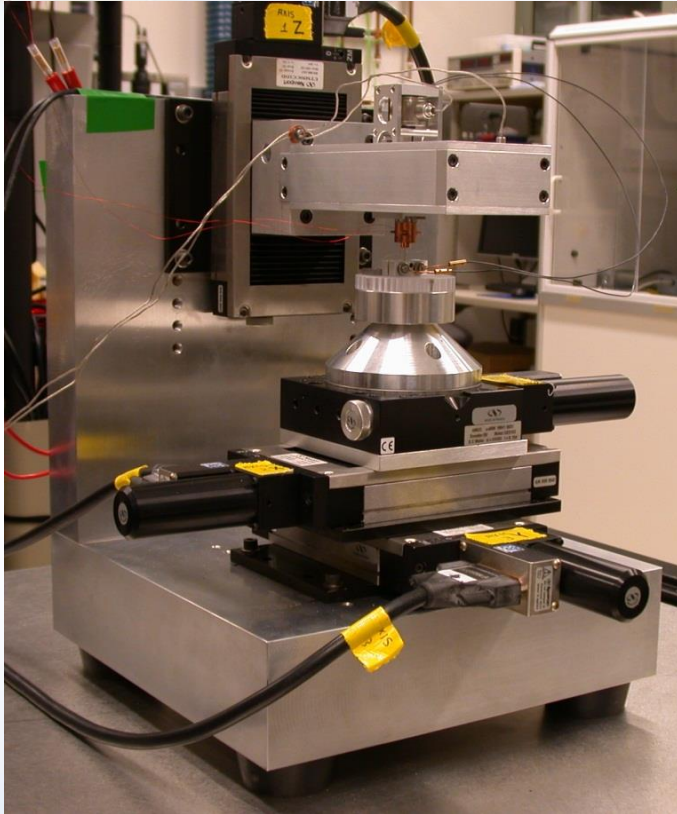
T.W. Scharf & S.V. Prasad, *Journal of Material Science* (2013) 48:511-531



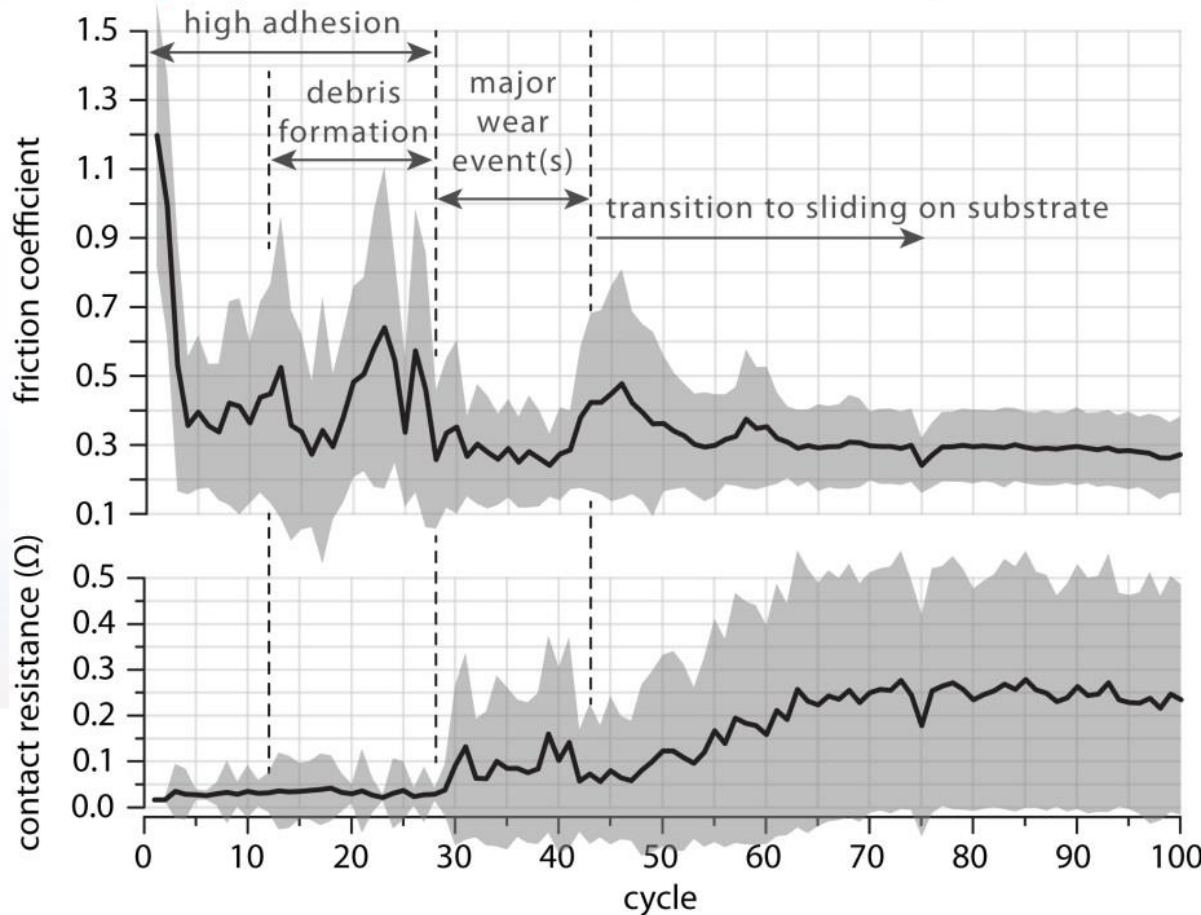
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# ECR-Friction Behavior of Pure Au

Collaborators: J-E Mogonye & S.V. Prasad



## pure Au film sliding against Neyoro G



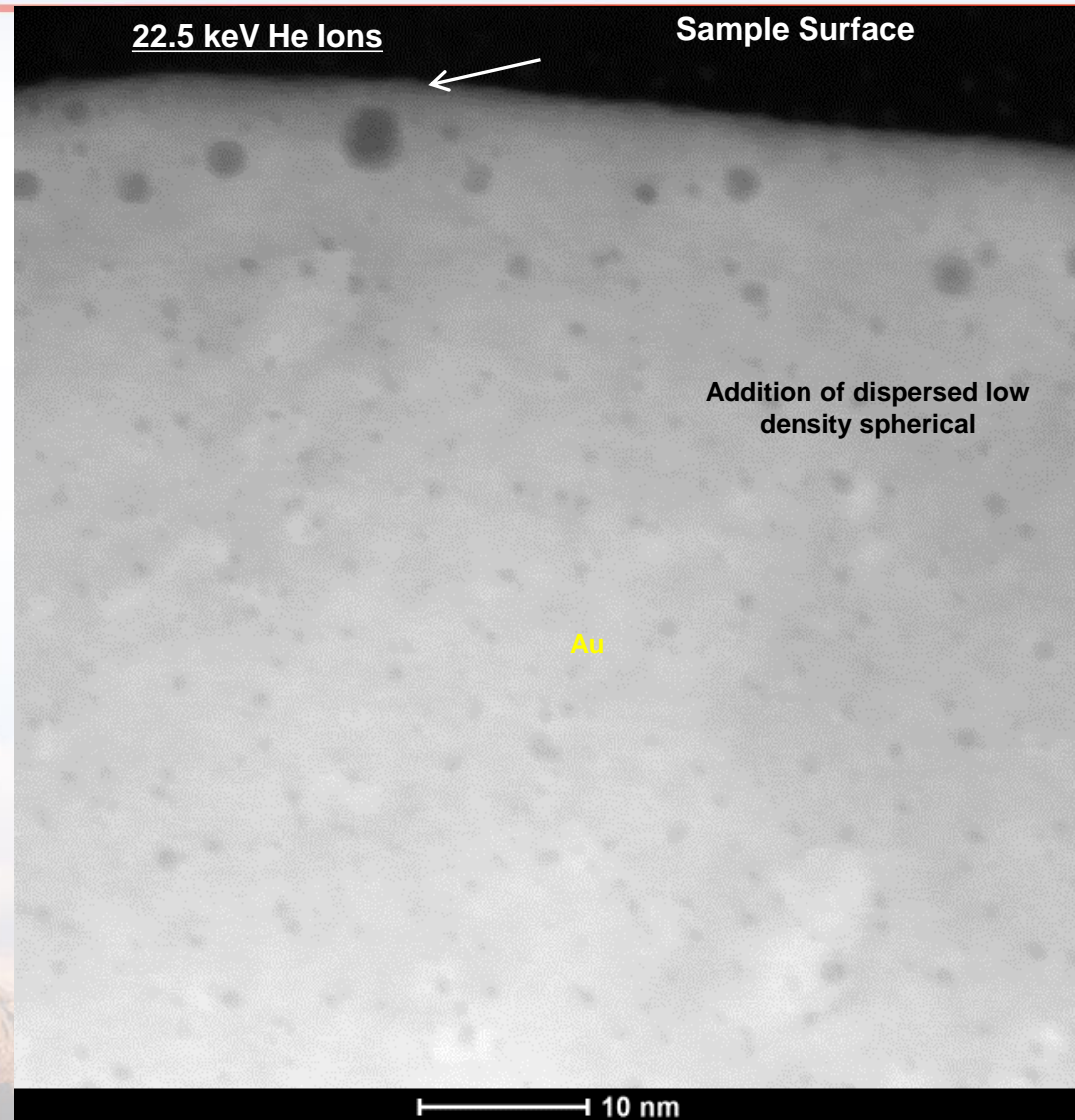
- Neyoro G (Au-Cu),  $\frac{1}{16}$  in. radius hemispherical tip rider
- $F_n = 100$  mN ( $\approx 290$  MPa contact stress)
  - 100 Cycles @  $v = 1$  mm/s
- 1 – 2 mV bias to achieve approximately 100 mA
- Lab air environment at room temperature



# Modeling and STEM of He Implantation

Collaborators: P. Kotula, J-E Mogonye & S.V. Prasad

- Simulations: SRIM 2008 (The Stopping and Range of Ions in Matter, J.F. Ziegler, M.D. Ziegler and J.P. Biersack)
  - Monte-Carlo simulation of kinematic interaction based on empirical data fitted functions
    - Input variables of target material include density, AMU, and thickness.
    - Input variables of ions include AMU, energy, and angle of incidence.
    - Assumes isotropic material, thus no consideration for channeling effects
- AC-STEM used to observe the distribution of implanted bubbles
- Bubble locations are in good agreement with SRIM ion range predictions

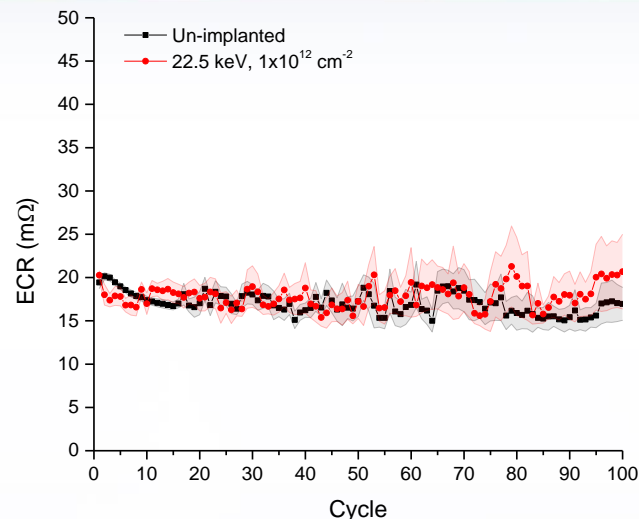
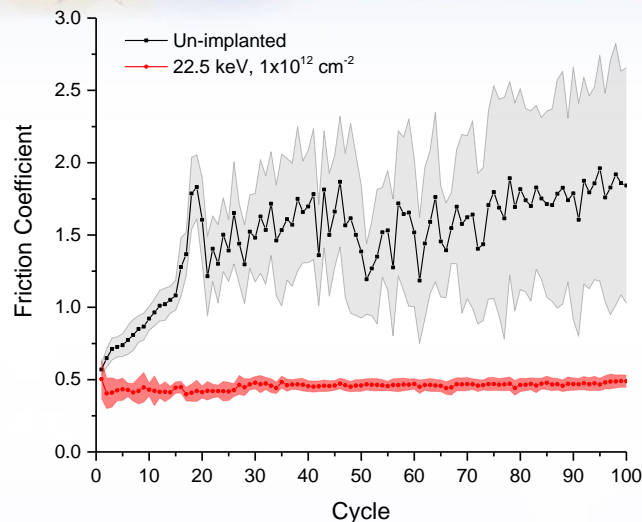


*He implantation result in small dispersed spherical structures assumed to be He bubbles. Dispersion and depth can be tailored*



# ECR and Wear Measurements

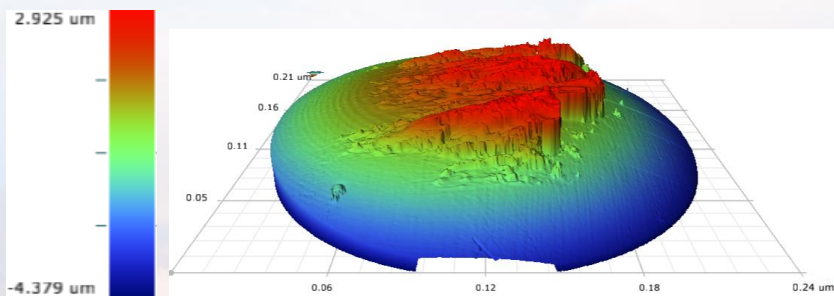
Collaborators: J-E Mogonye & S.V. Prasad



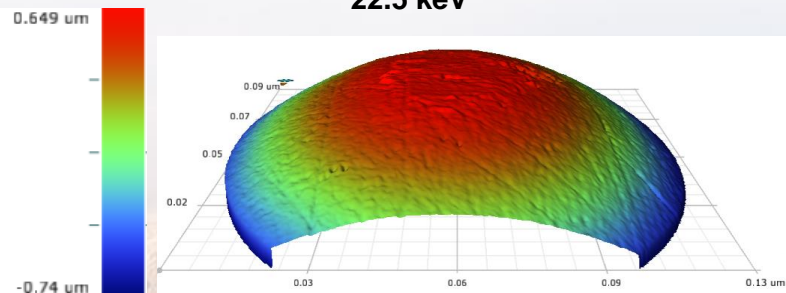
**Friction is significantly reduced with  $^3\text{He}$  implantation while maintaining ECR performance**

**Scanning white light interferometer topographical construction of riders after 100 cycles**

Rider after 100 cycles against Un-implanted Au



Rider after 100 Cycles against Au implanted to  $1\text{E}12 \text{ cm}^{-2}$  @ 22.5 keV



***Wear is significantly reduced with minimal effect in ECR***



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# STEM Images of Sub-surfaces

Collaborators: J-E Mogonye & S.V. Prasad

Before Sliding ECR Test

22.5 keV  
 $1 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

*Recrystallization  
is observable  
after 100 cycles*

500 nm

After Sliding ECR Test

Au – Pt  
Interface

500 nm

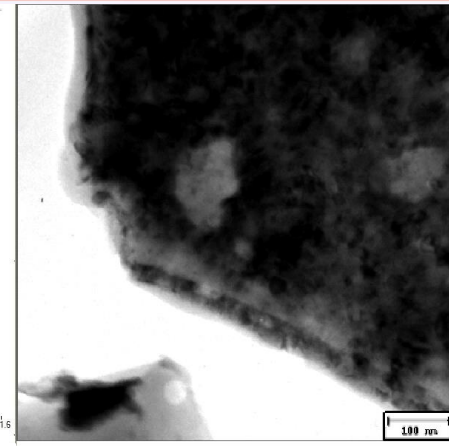
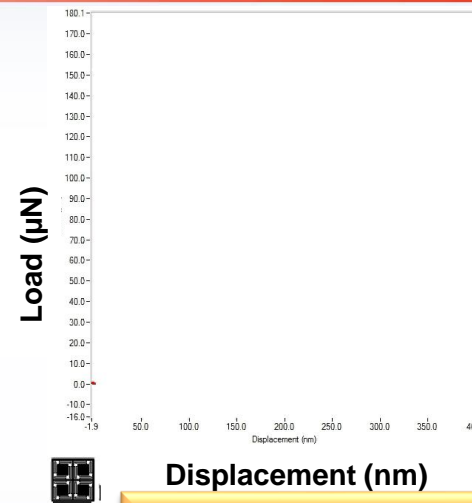
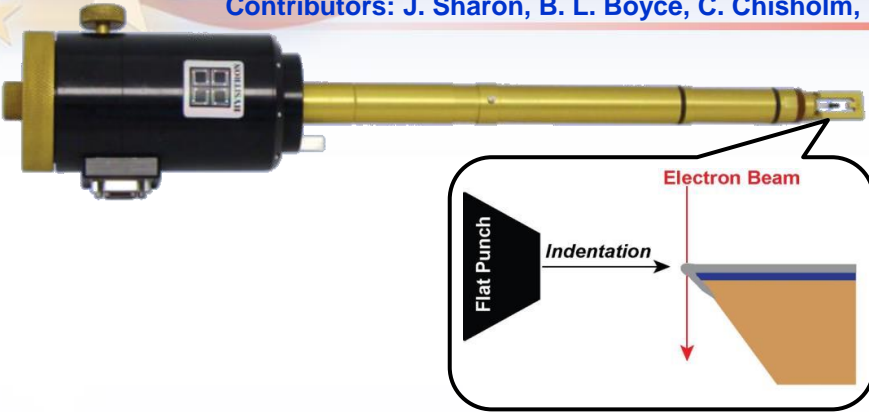
After Sliding ECR Test

50 nm

*An increase in both observable density and diameter of He bubbles, suggests wear induced He coalescence from interstitial and previously un-observable He*

# In situ TEM Quantitative Mechanical Testing

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



## Range of Mechanical Testing Techniques

- Indentation
- Tension
- Fatigue
- Compression
- Wear
- Creep
- Tension

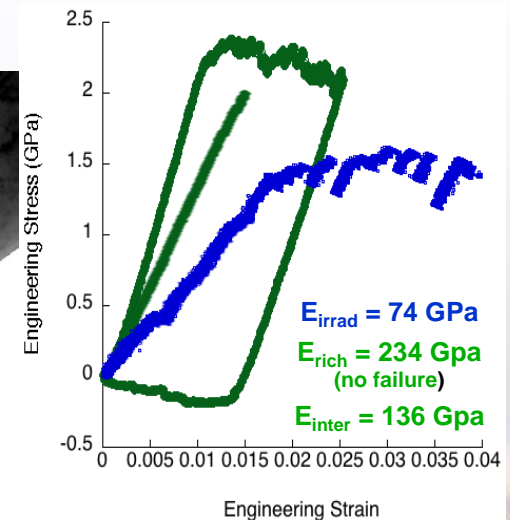
Displacement (nm)

## Fundamentals of Mechanical Properties

Intermediate  
dislocation  
density

$1.61 \times 10^{14}$   
disloc./m<sup>2</sup>

$1.92 \times 10^{18}$  He<sup>1+</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>  
 $1.04 \times 10^{15}$  Ni<sup>2+</sup>/cm<sup>2</sup>

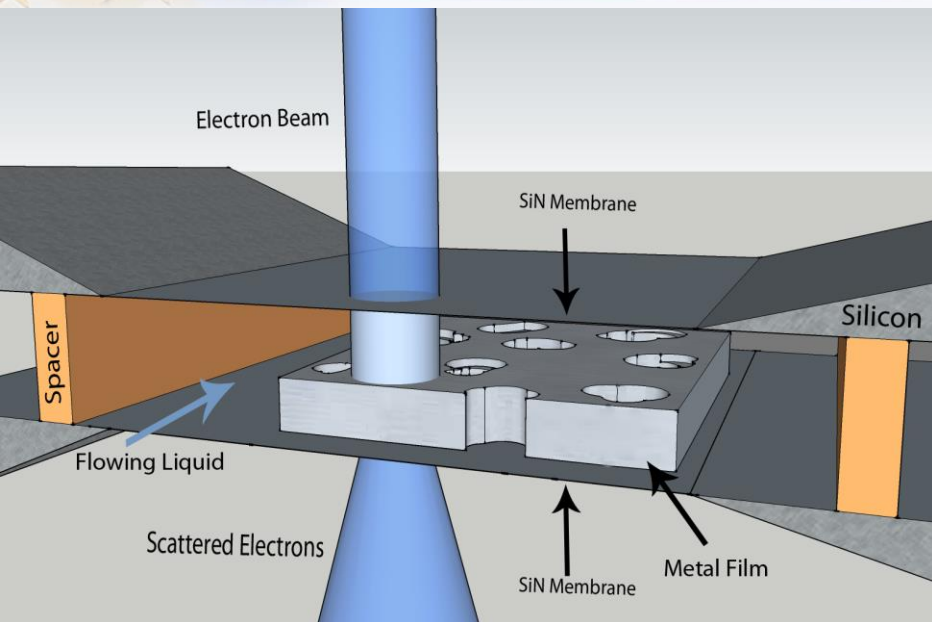


Work has started looking at the quantitative effects of ion irradiation on mechanical properties



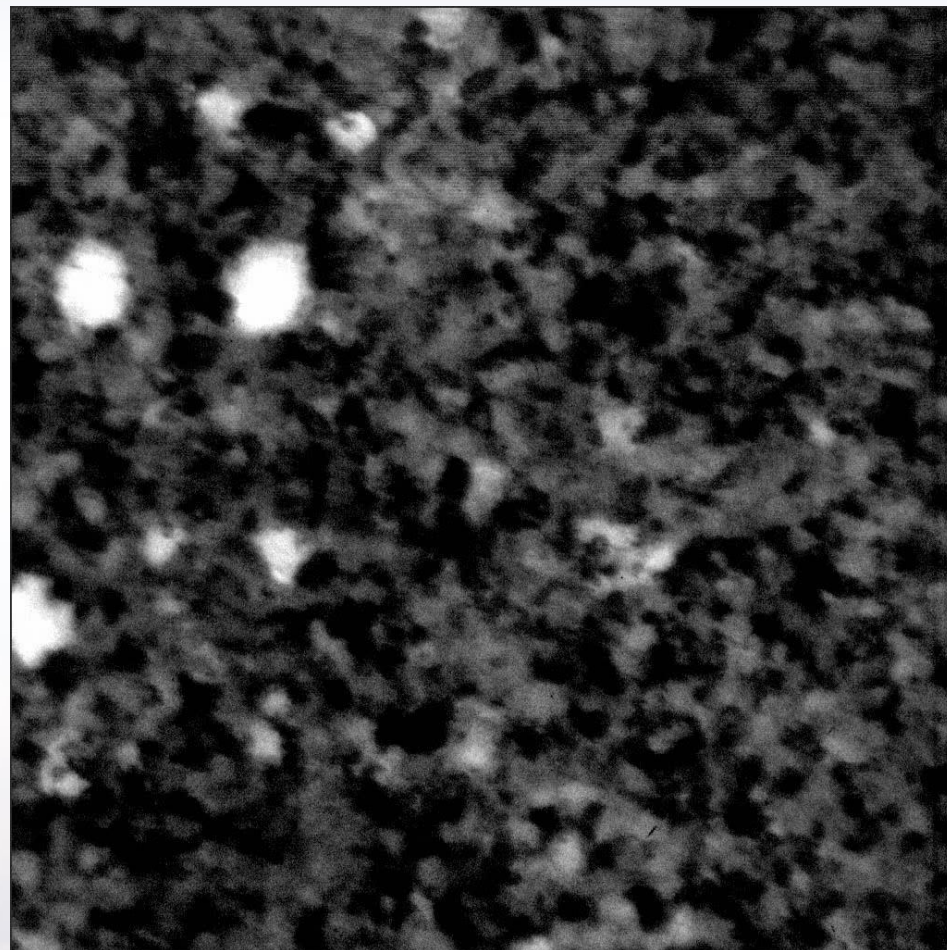
# *In situ* TEM Corrosion

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.**



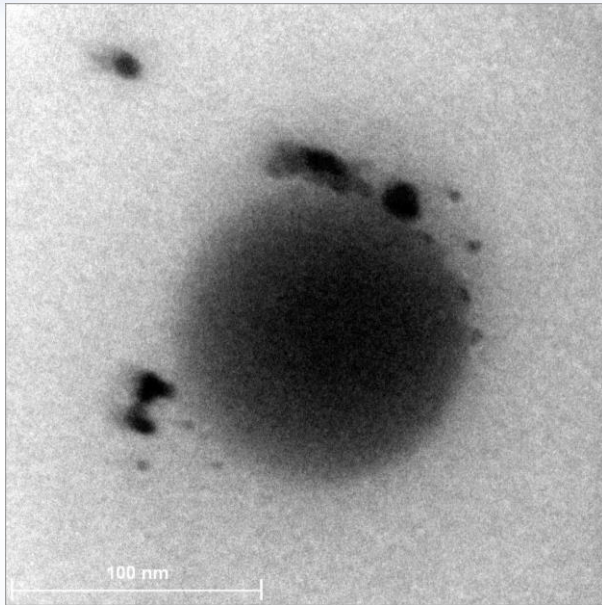
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# Other Fun Uses of Microfluidic Cell

## Protocell Drug Delivery

S.H. Pratt,  
E. Carnes,  
J. Brinker

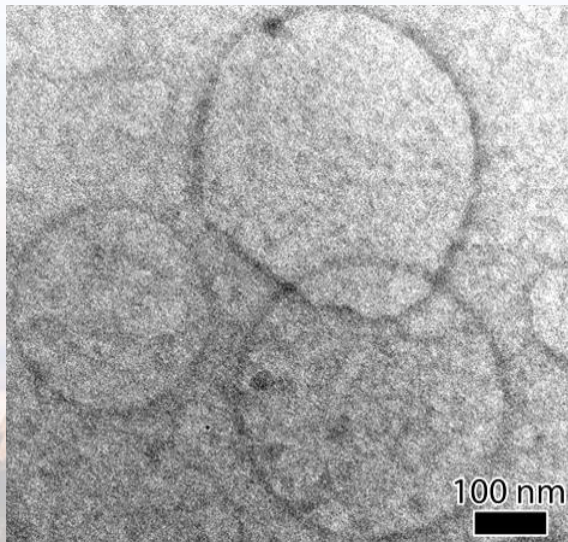
Liposome  
encapsulated  
Silica destroyed  
by the electron  
beam



## Liposomes in Water

S.H. Pratt,  
D. Sasaki

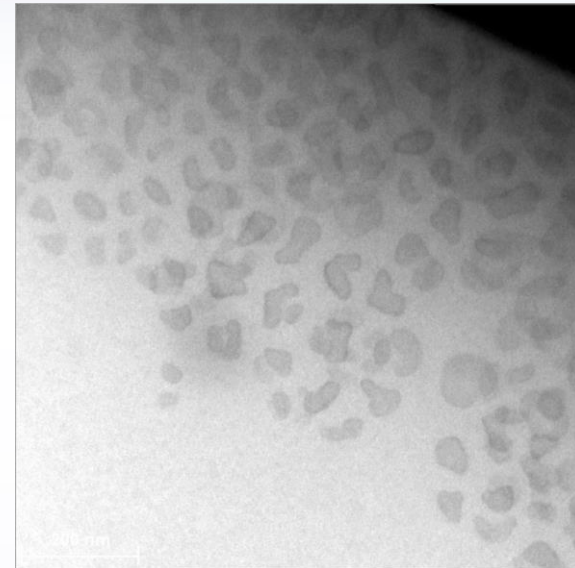
Liposomes  
imaged in  
flowing aqueous  
channel



## BSA Crystallization

S.H. Pratt

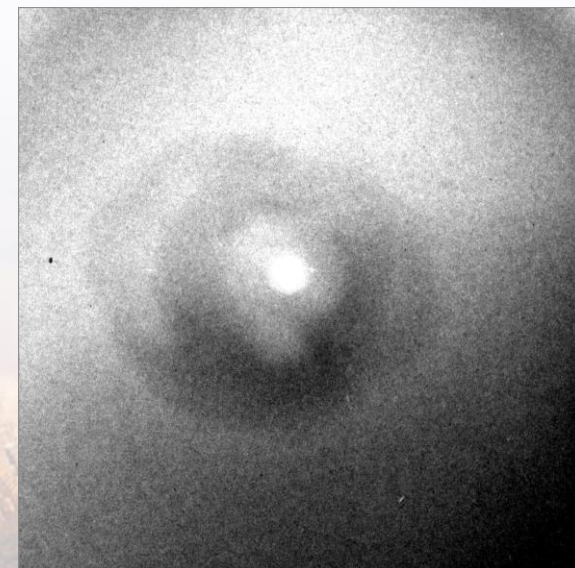
Crystallization of excess  
Bovine Serum Albumen  
during flow



## La Structure Formation

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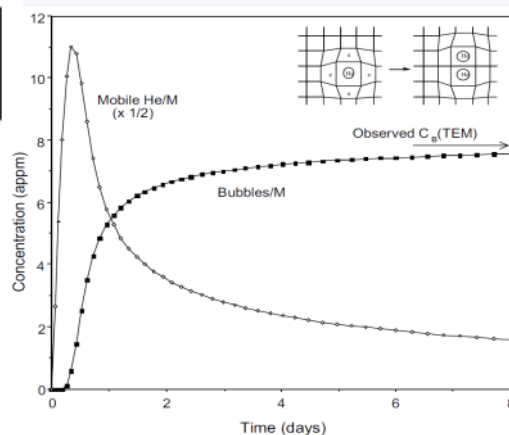
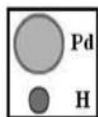
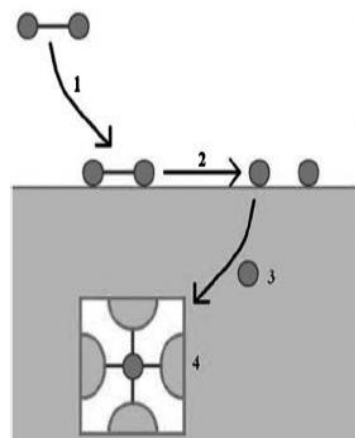
La  
Nanostructure  
form from  $\text{LaCl}_3$   
 $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in wet cell  
due to beam  
effects





# Can *In situ* TEM Address Hydrogen Storage Concerns in Extreme Environments?

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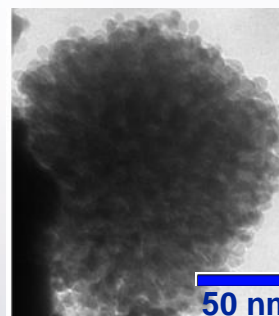
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## Vapor-Phase Heating TEM Stage

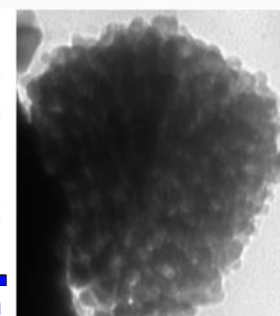
- Compatible with a range of gases
- In situ* resistive heating
- Continuous observation of the reaction channel
- Chamber dimensions are controllable
- Compatible with MS and other analytical tools



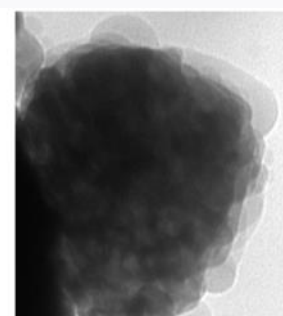
- 1 atm H<sub>2</sub> after several pulses to specified temp.



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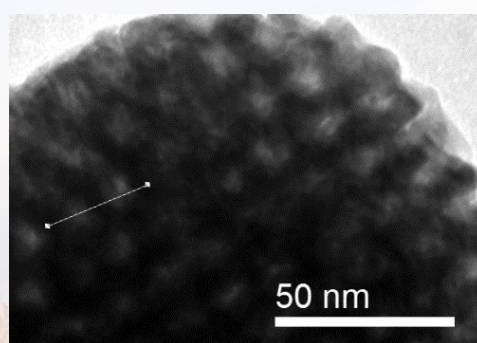
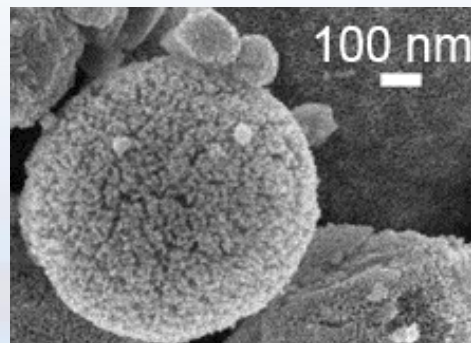


200° C



300° C

Harmful effects may be mitigated in nanoporous Pd

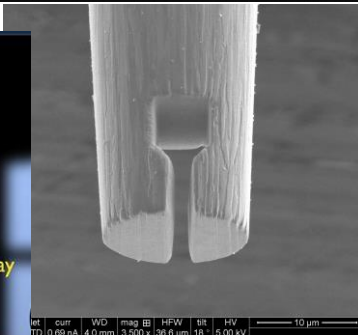
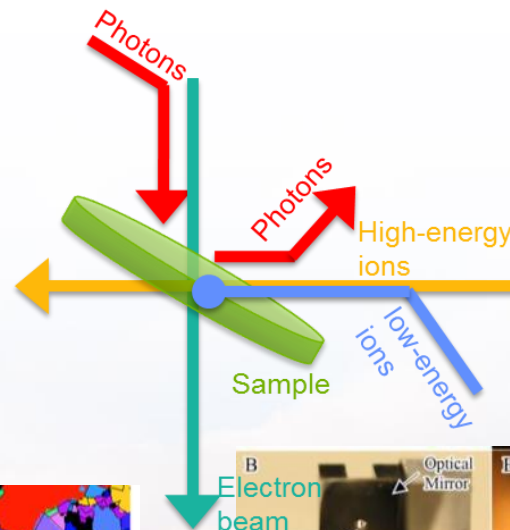
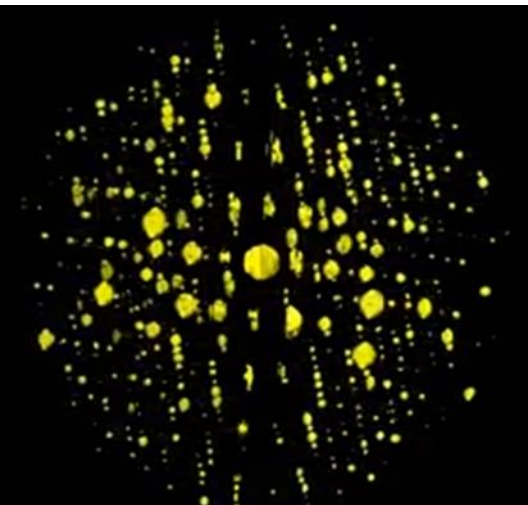
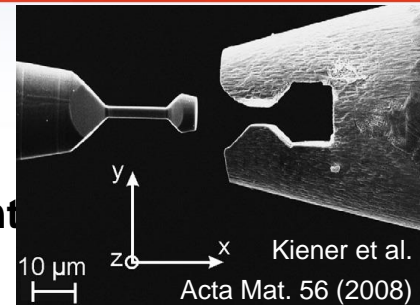


New *in situ* atmospheric heating experiments provide great insight into nanoporous Pd stability

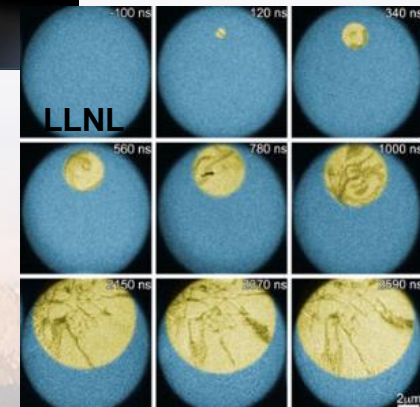
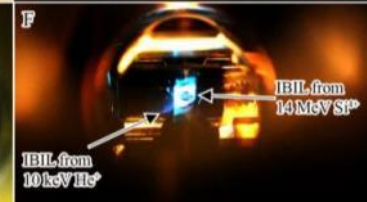
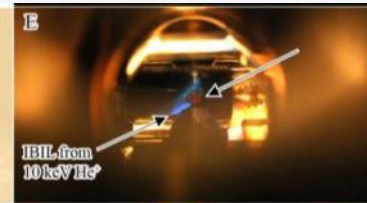
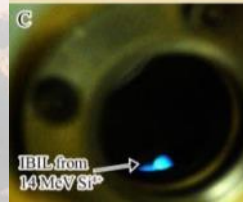
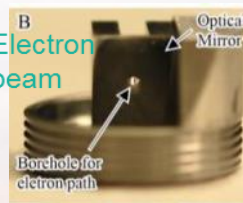
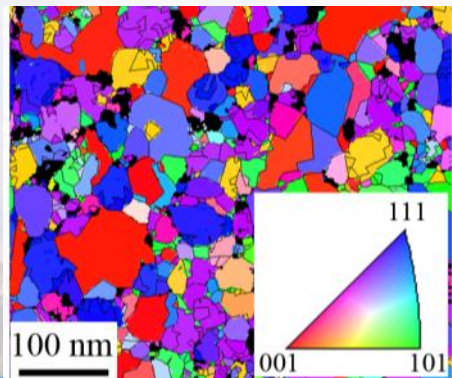


# Future Directions Under Pursuit

1. In-situ TEM CL, IBIL (currently capable)
2. *In situ* ion irradiation TEM in liquid or gas (currently capable)
3. PED: Local texture characterization (arrived & waiting install)
4. Quantitative in-situ tensile/creep experiments (Sample in development)
5. DTEM: Nanosecond resolution (laser optics needed)



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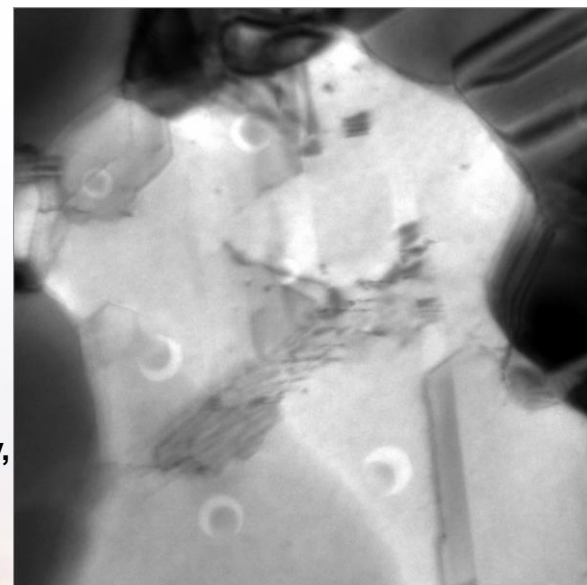
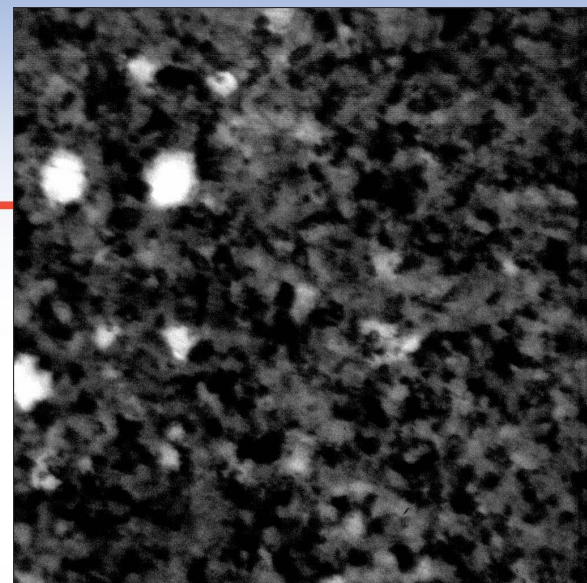
# Summary

- Sandia's I<sup>3</sup>TEM is one of only two facilities in the US
  - Only facility in the world with a wealth of dual *in situ* ion irradiation capabilities
  - *In situ* high energy ion irradiation from H to Au
  - *In situ* gas implantation
  - 11 TEM stages with various capabilities (two beta-testing)
- Apply the current I<sup>3</sup>TEM capabilities to various material systems in combined environmental conditions
- Expand the I<sup>3</sup>TEM capability to include
  - Nano to microsecond imaging
  - Laser heating and/or shock to the sample
  - Addition of precession electron diffraction

Sandia's I<sup>3</sup>TEM  
although still under  
development is  
providing a wealth of  
interesting initial  
observations

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