

Developing Solutions for Structural Materials in Demanding Environments



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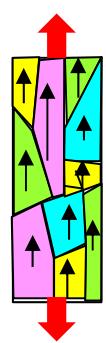
Background: Diverse experience in the durability of structural materials for demanding environments



BS Materials Engineering



Internships: sonar transducer materials



Imperial College
London

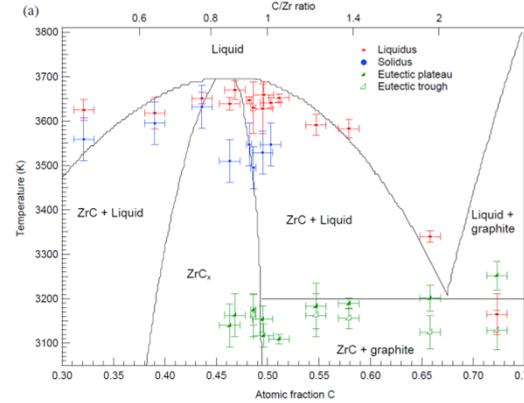
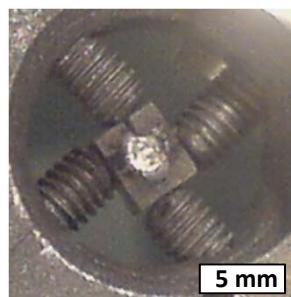
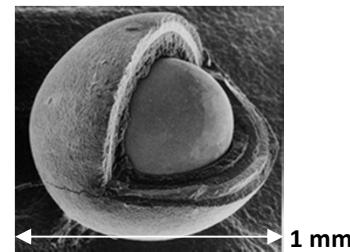


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Space Shuttle & ISS Materials & Processes



PhD: Durability of ZrC for next-generation
high-temperature nuclear fuels



Informal science
education,
training, and
public speaking

How can I contribute to Structural Integrity?

Technical Expertise

Materials and metallurgical background

Failure analysis and materials testing

Critical analysis



Interpersonal skills

Project management

Technical communication

Leading and working in teams



Consulting experience

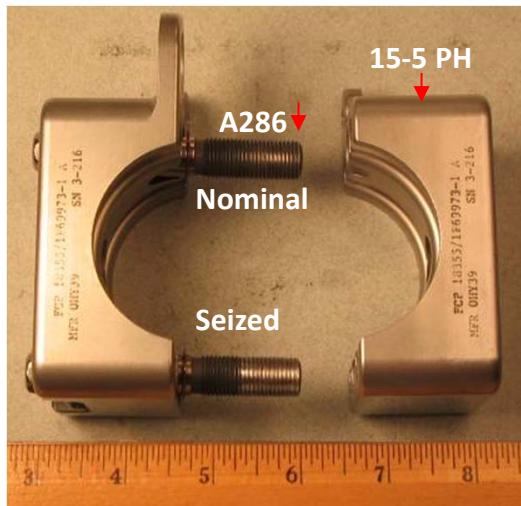
Provide metallurgical guidance and expertise to other Sandia & NASA groups

Customer-focused





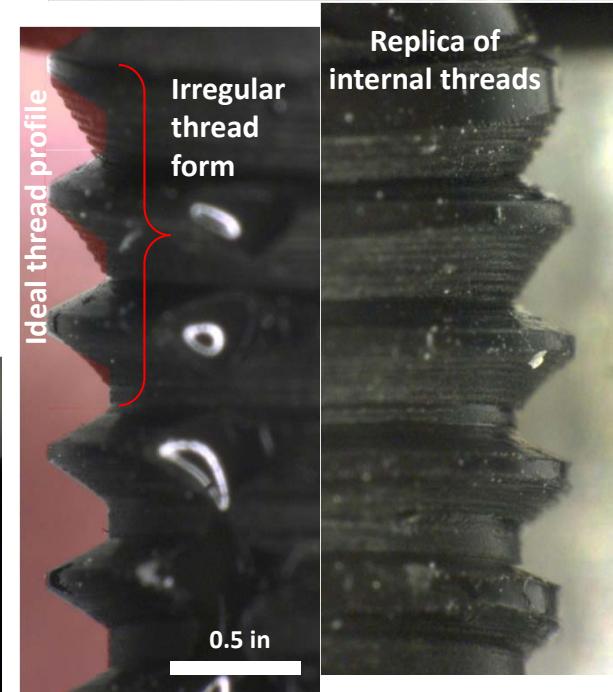
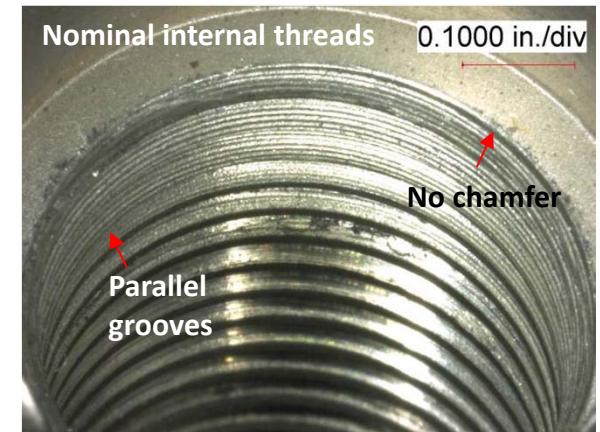
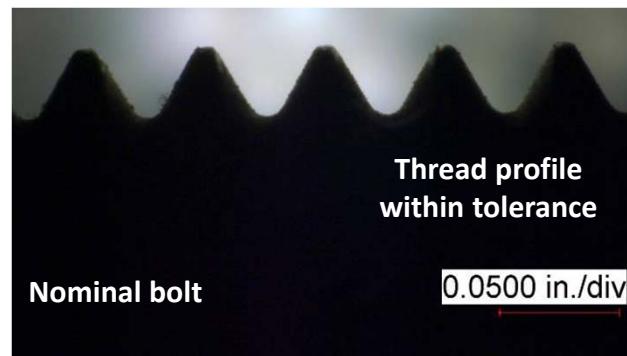
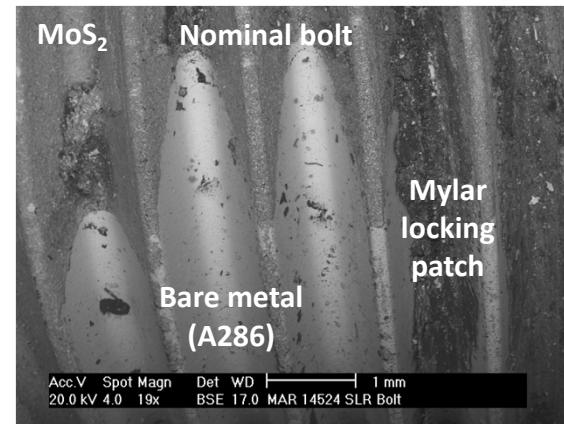
Astronauts remove stubborn launch restraint bolt on STS-115



Irregularities suggested a systematic problem with this lot and warrant investigation of hardware from this vendor.

Case 1: Systematic manufacturing defects caused galling and difficult on-orbit removal of fastener

Inspection of failed hardware and procurement paperwork



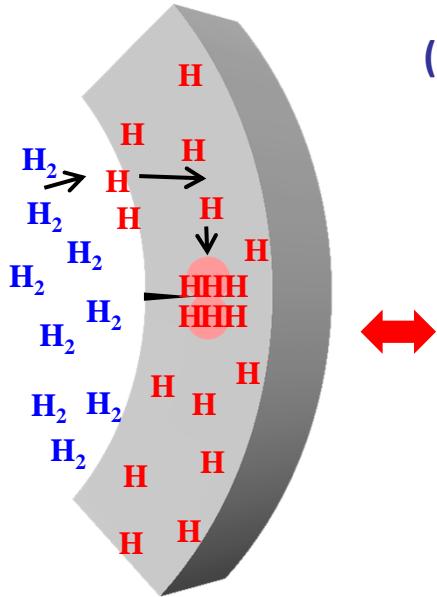
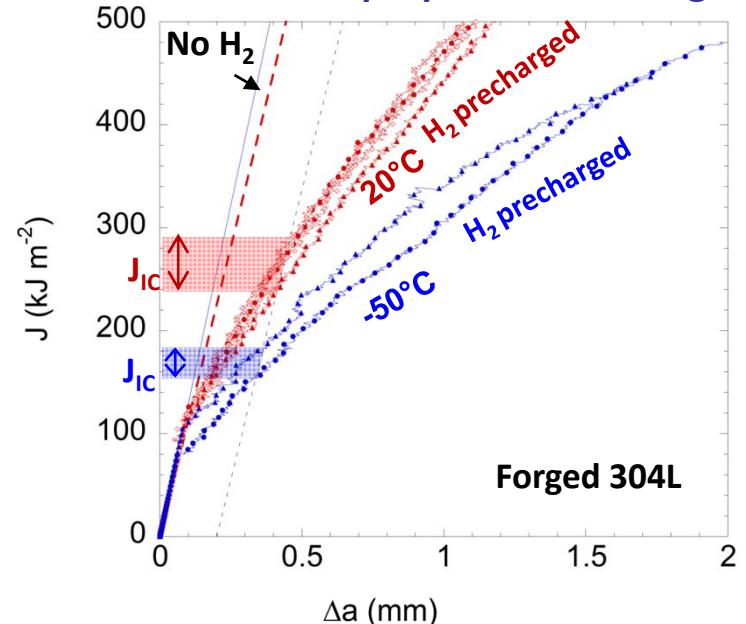


Case 2: Quantifying resistance to hydrogen-assisted fracture aids design and code/standard development

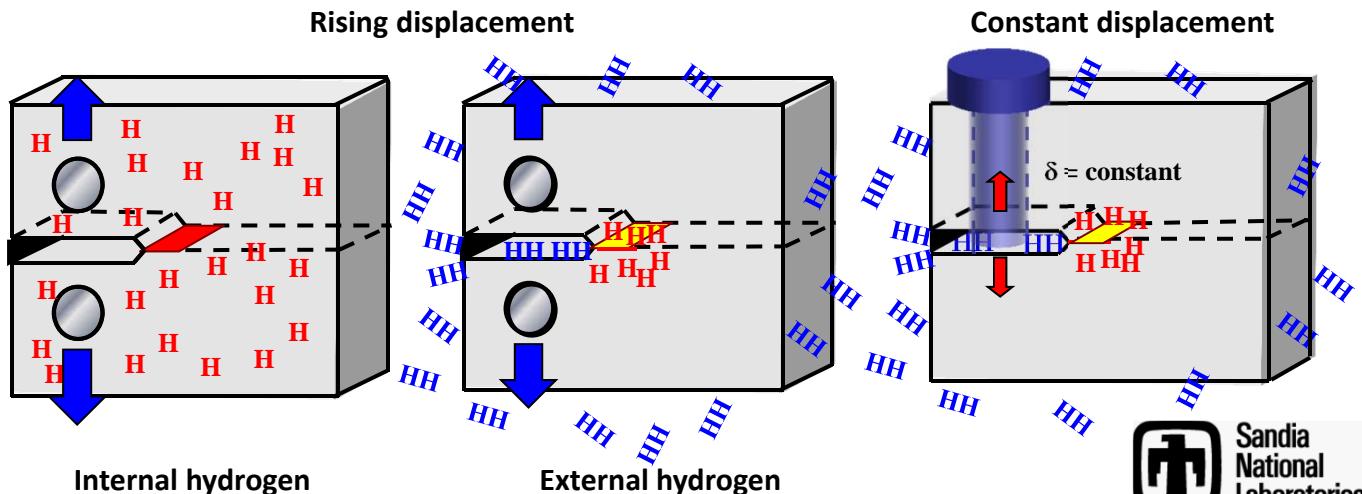
Safe and low-cost design with stainless steels
for high-pressure H₂ service



Mechanical properties for design



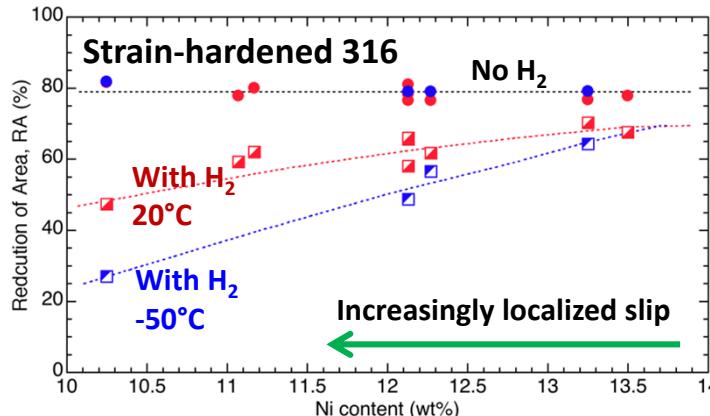
Improved test methods
(ASME BPVC VIII-3 Article KD-10)





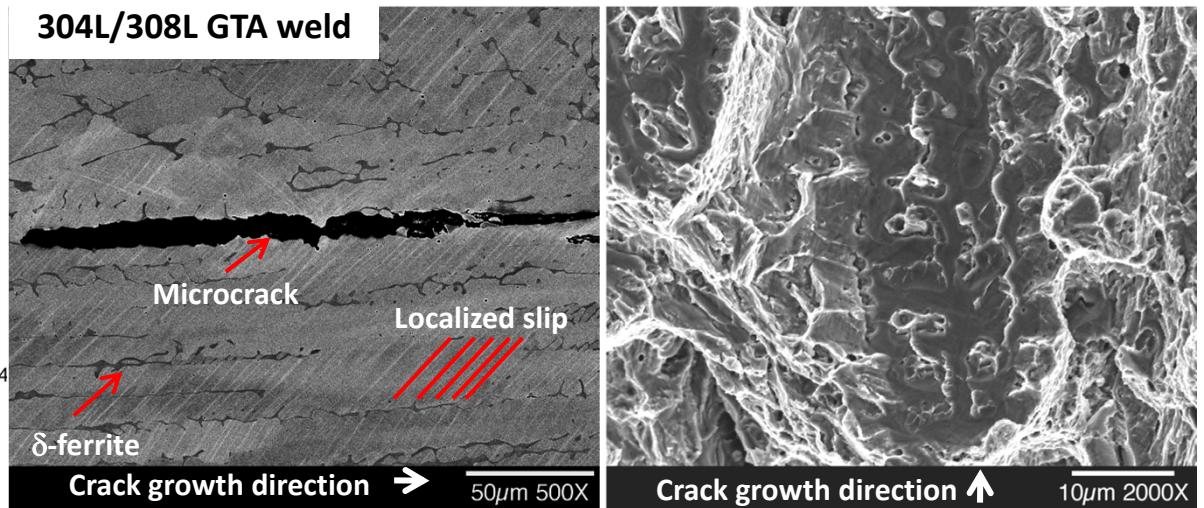
Case 2: Understanding mechanisms of hydrogen-assisted fracture improves manufacturing processes

Materials selection

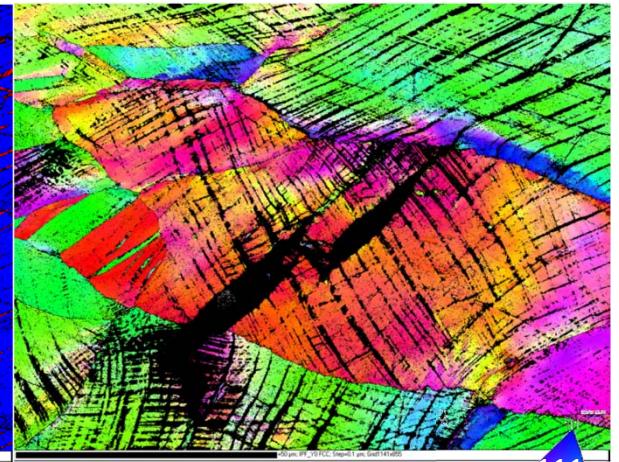
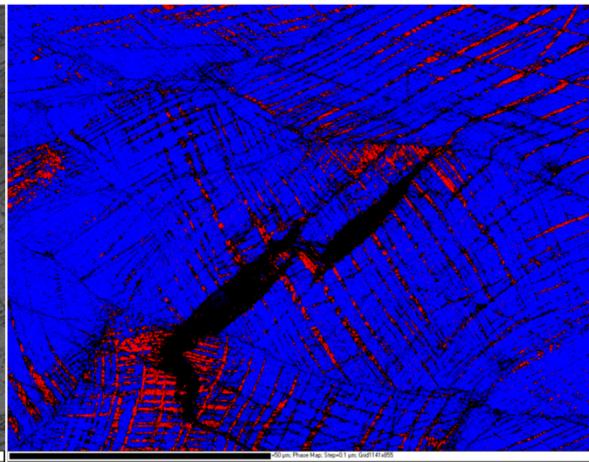
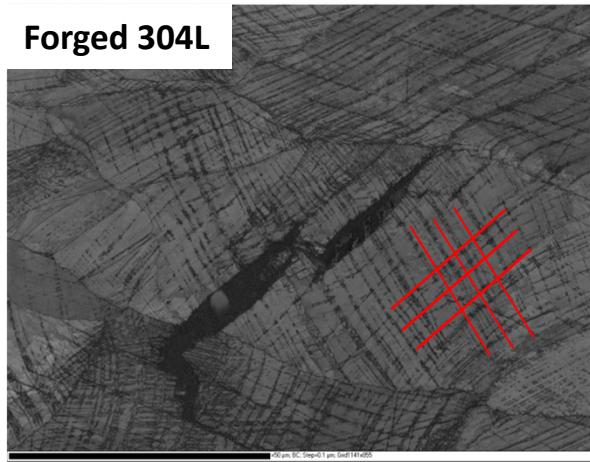


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Microstructural engineering

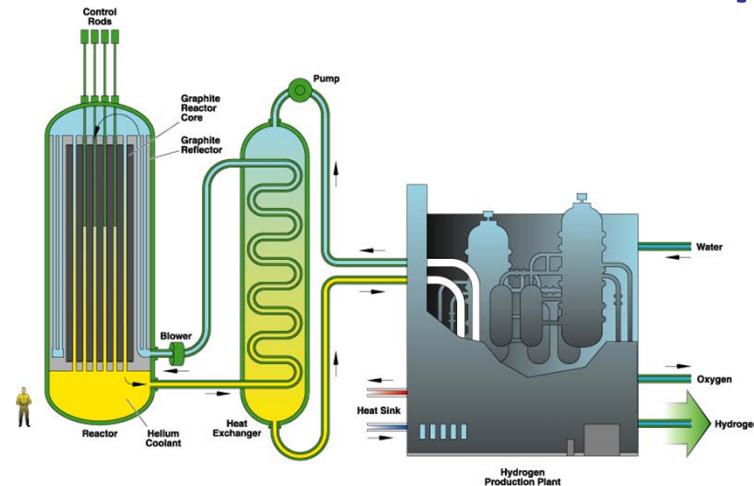


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Objectives: Develop technical solutions for the nuclear power industry while building experience managing projects, teams, and customer relationships



Apply materials and process engineering skillset
to problems in diverse technical areas

Contribute to transfer of knowledge to the next
generation of the nuclear power industry's workforce



Metallurgical PE exam (Oct 2013)

Take on responsibilities in project management, team
leadership, and building customer relationships