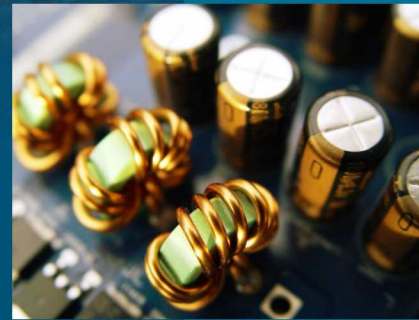
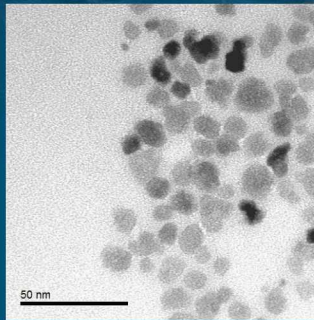
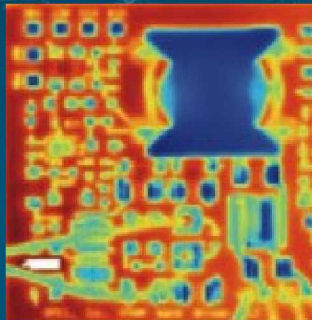
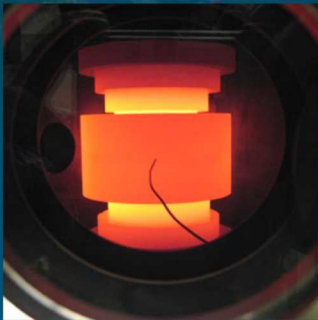


Magnetic materials and ferroelectric nanoparticle research at Sandia



Sandia
National
Laboratories

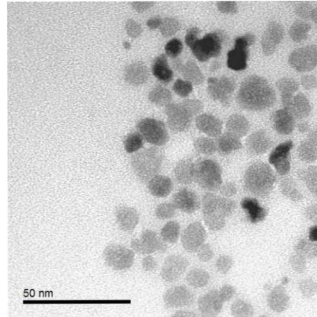
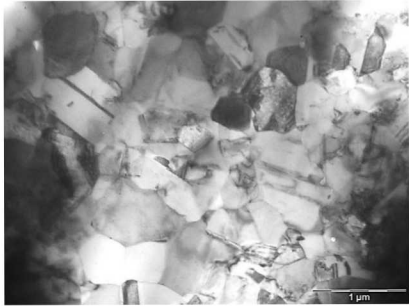


Sandia – UPRM Research Discussion

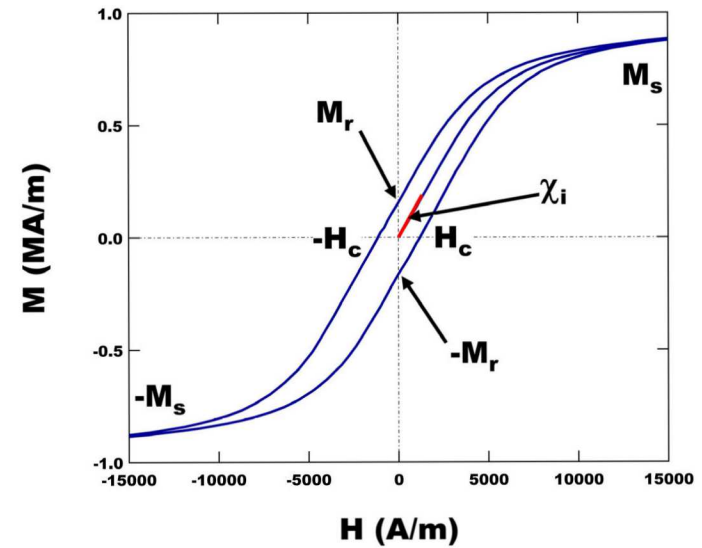
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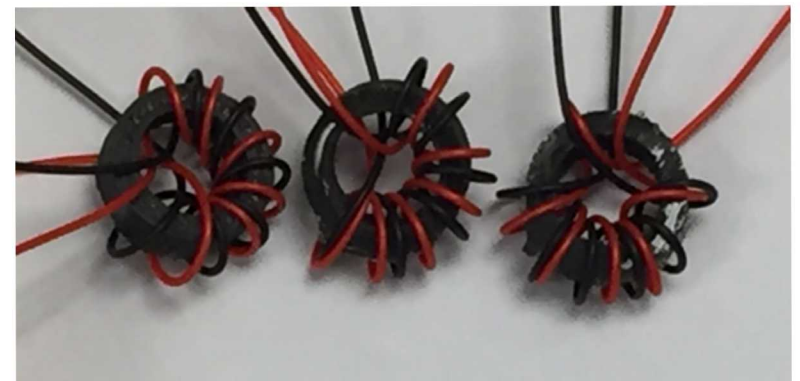
Activities in Monson Labs



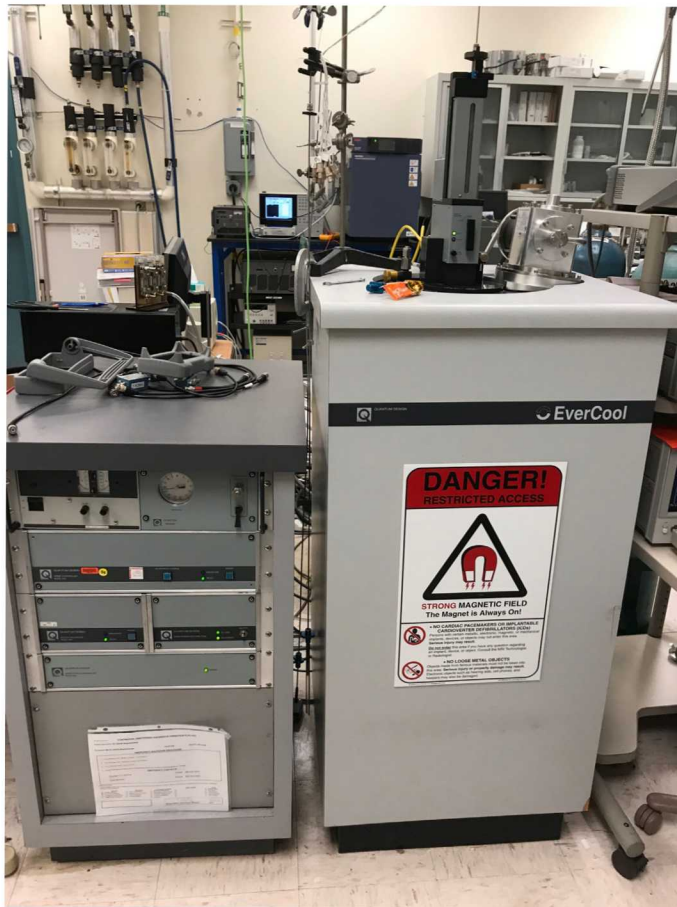
Synthesis and characterization of magnetic and ferroelectric nanoparticles, composites, and bulk materials



Magnetic characterization of materials and devices



Research Capabilities – Magnetic Characterization



Quantum Design Magnetic Property Measurement System (MPMS)

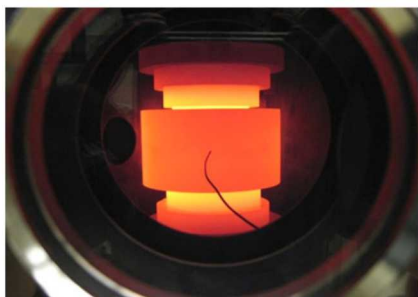
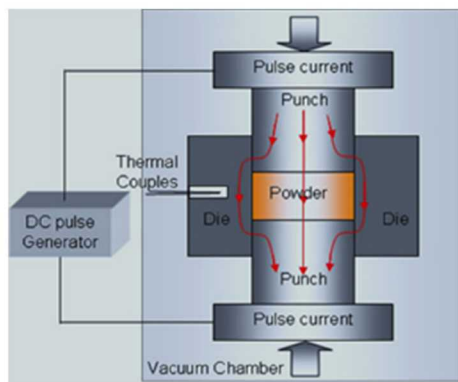


Iwatsu B-H analyzer (measurements up to 10 MHz and 150 °C)



- LCR meter
- Impedance analyzer

Research Capabilities – Ferroic Material Synthesis



Spark Plasma Sintering (SPS)
(in collaboration with UC Irvine)



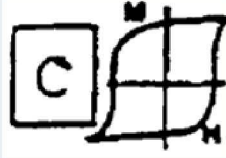
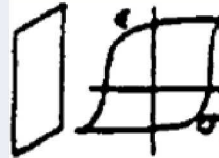
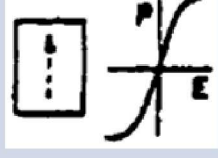
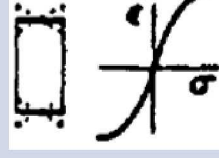
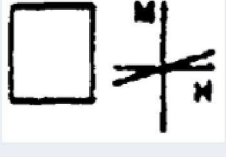
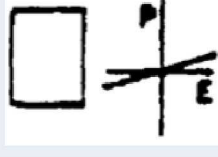
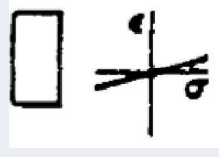
- Inert gas gloveboxes
- Fume hoods equipped with Schlenk lines for air free chemistry
- Solvothermal reaction vessels
- Electron microscope for raw powder characterization
- Hot press



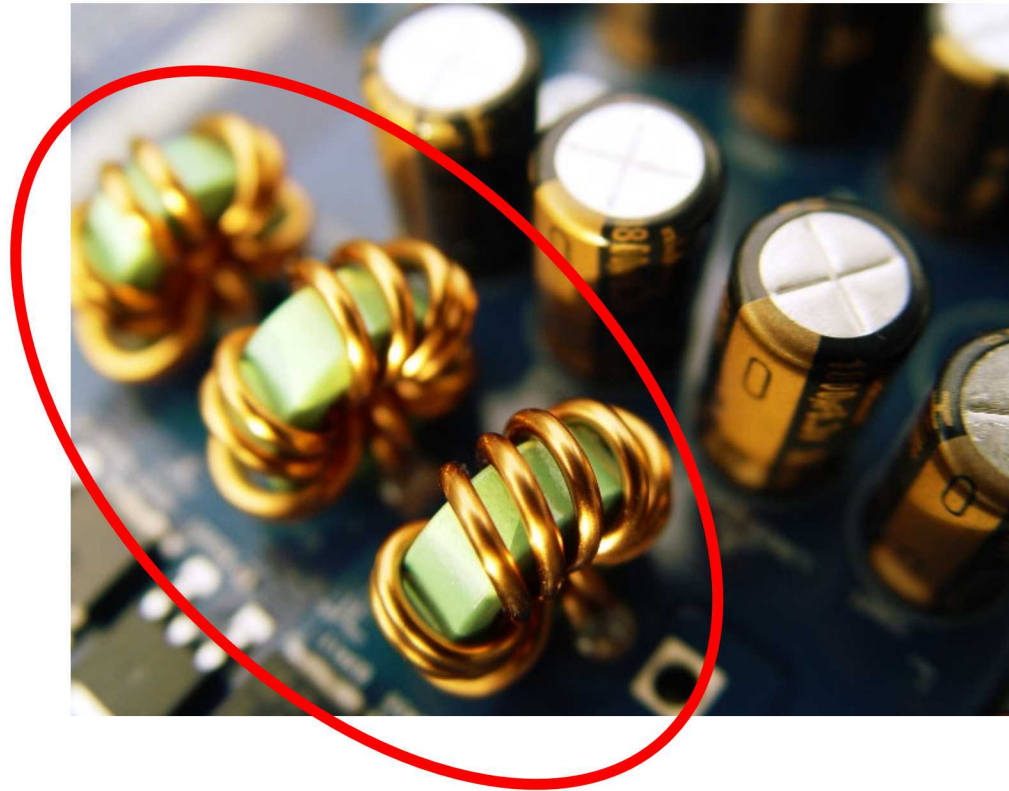
γ' -Fe₄N toroidal
inductive cores

Ferroics



Size	Ferromagnetic	Ferroelectric	Ferroelastic
$\approx 1\mu\text{m}-10^3\text{ nm}$	Multidomain 	Multidomain 	Multidomain 
$\approx 0.1\mu\text{m}-10^2\text{ nm}$	Single Domain 	Single Domain 	Single Domain 
$\approx 10\text{nm}-10^3\text{ \AA}$	Super-paramagnetic 	Super-Paraelectric 	Super-Paraelastic 
$\approx 1\text{nm}-10\text{ \AA}$	Paramagnetic 	Paraelectric 	Paraelastic 

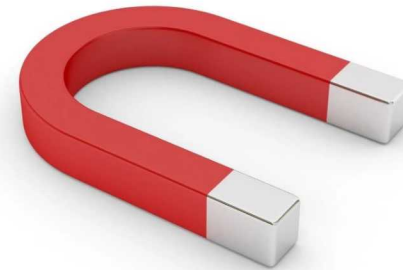
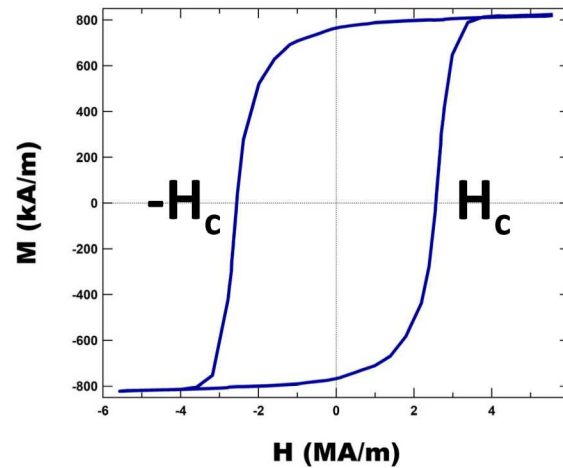
Soft Magnetics



Hard vs. Soft Magnets

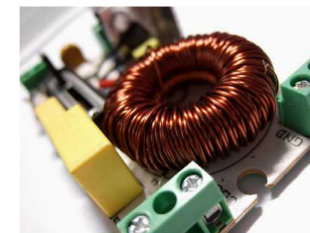
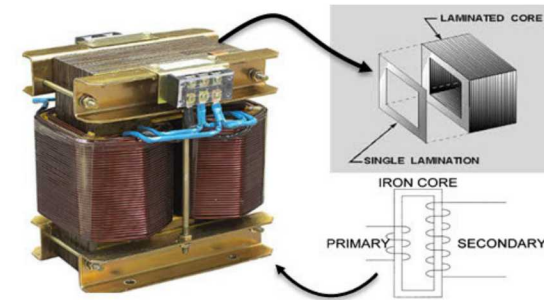
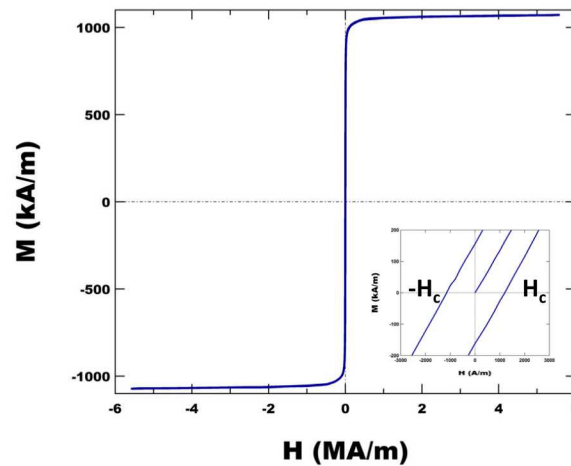
Hard
(permanent)
magnet

$$H_c > 1000 \text{ A/m}$$

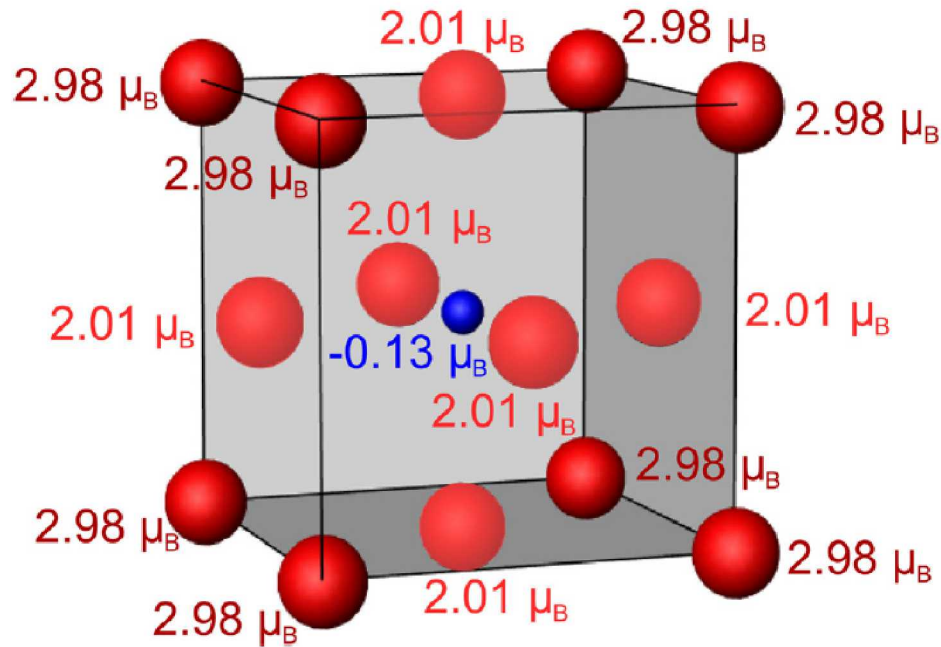


Soft magnet

$$H_c < 1000 \text{ A/m}$$

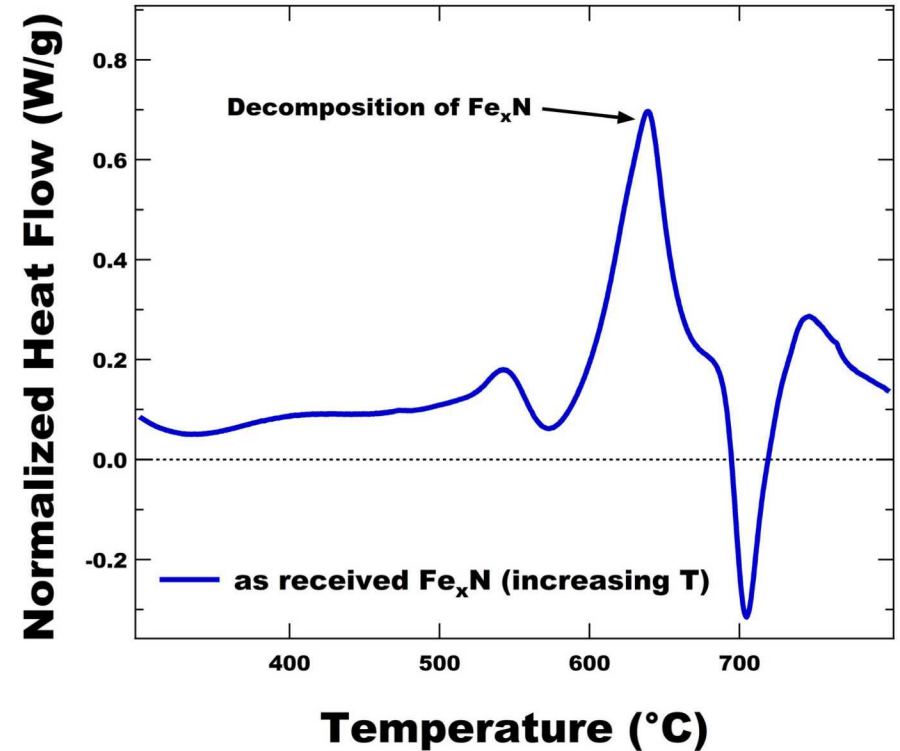


γ' -Fe₄N



fcc γ Fe structure stabilized by interstitial nitrogen in the body center

G. Scheunert, et al., A review of high magnetic moment thin films for microscale and nanotechnology Applications, Appl. Phys. Rev., 3, 011301 (2016).
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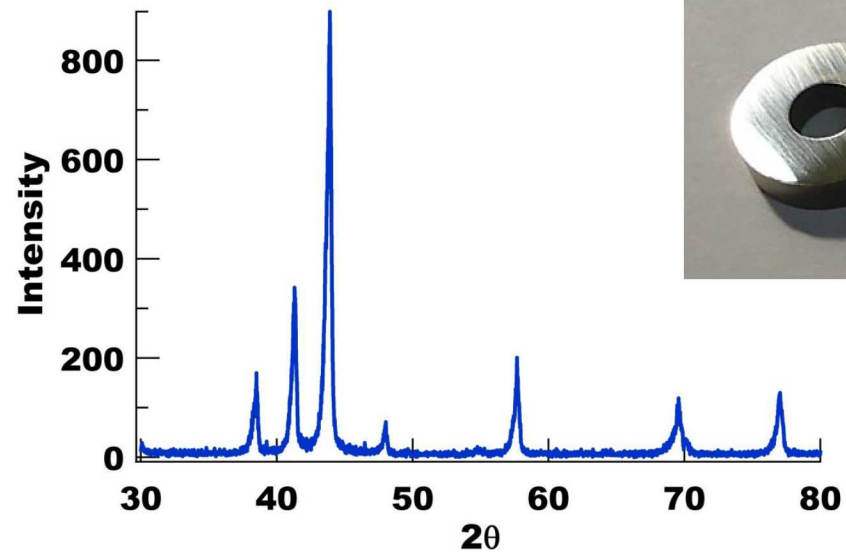
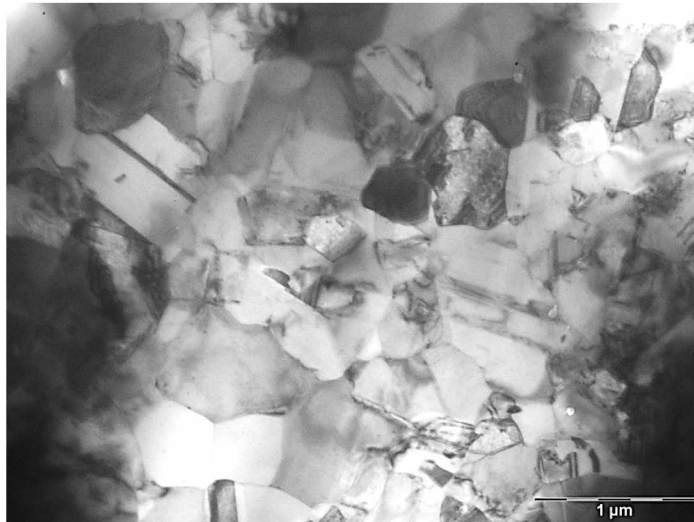


Relatively low thermal decomposition limits consolidation/fabrication methods

SPS consolidated Iron Nitride

First ever bulk γ' -Fe₄N!

U.S. Patent #9,963,344

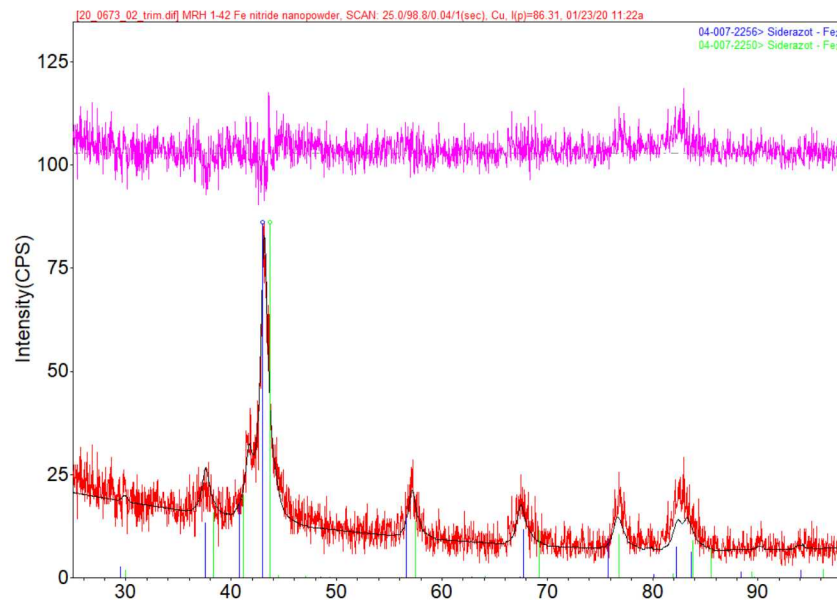
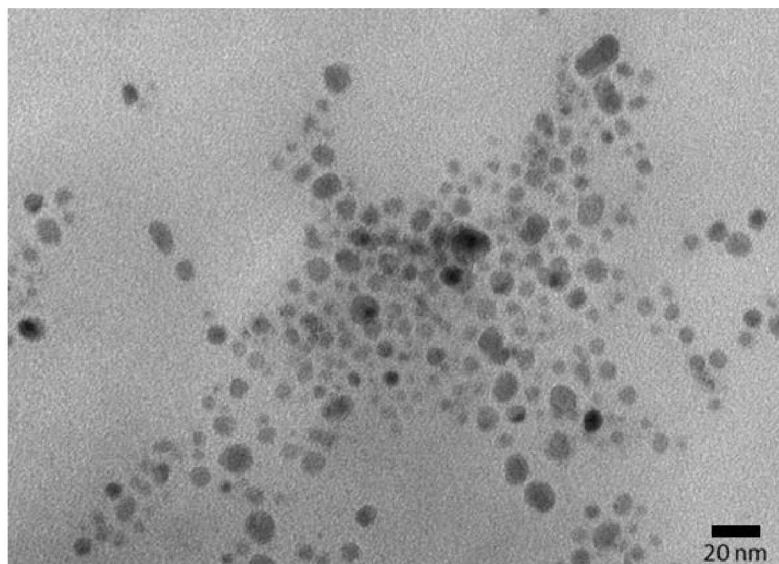
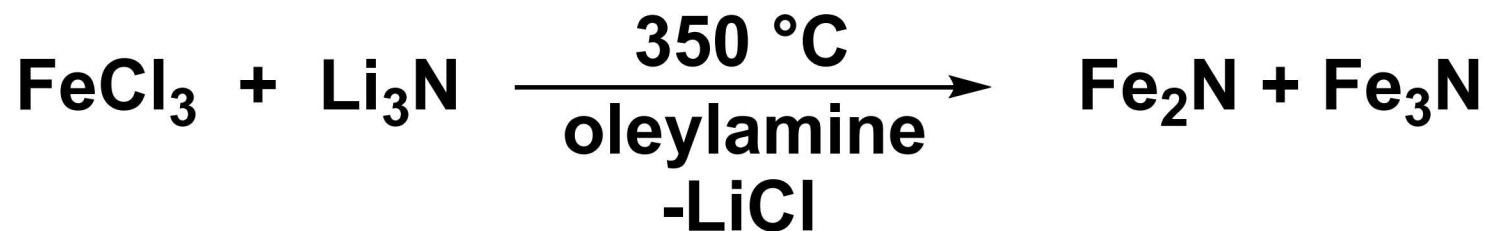


**Net-shaped toroid
(no machining required)**



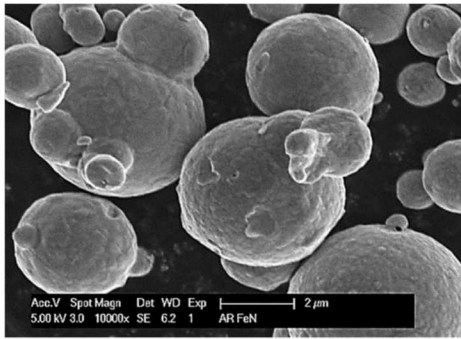
- Fe nitride powders well consolidated with little porosity
- Grain sizes 200 nm – 1 μm → fine grain size = low H_c
- γ' -Fe₄N primary phase
- Fe₃N secondary phase from mixed phase starting material

Routes to Nanoparticle Iron Nitride

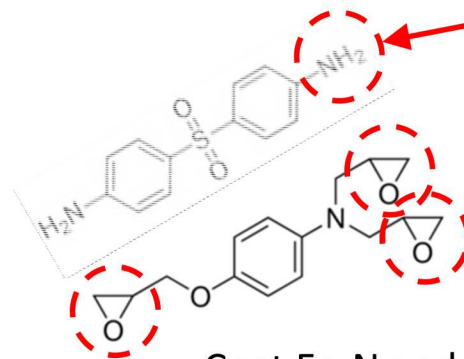


Magnetic Composites

Convert commercial Fe_xN powder to phase pure Fe_4N

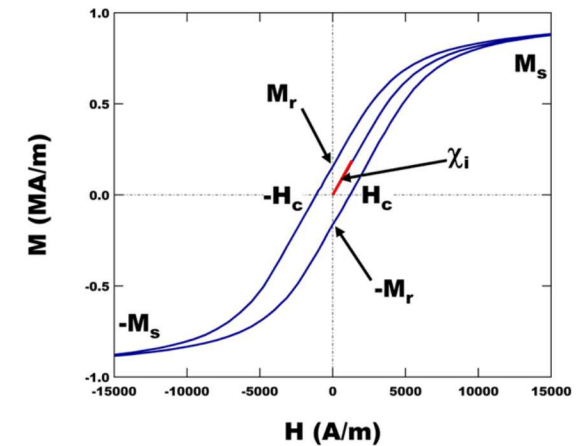


Diamines will bond directly to Fe_4N surface and epoxy matrix for enhanced mechanical robustness and particle electrical isolation



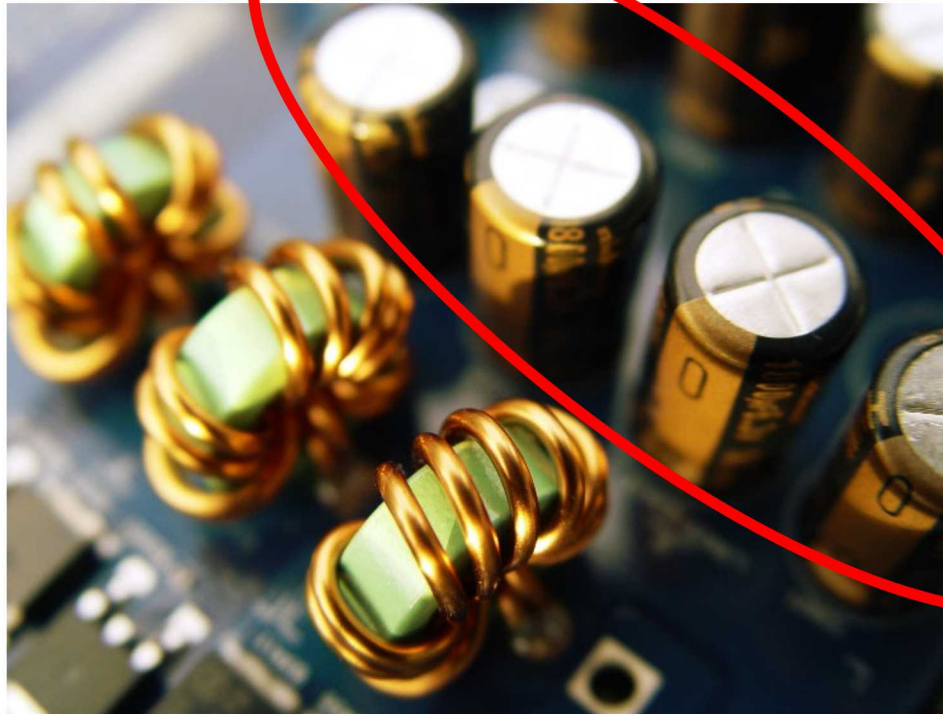
Coat Fe_4N and mix with epoxy monomers

4-aminophenyl sulfone
&
N,N-diglycidyl-4-glycidioxyaniline (NND)

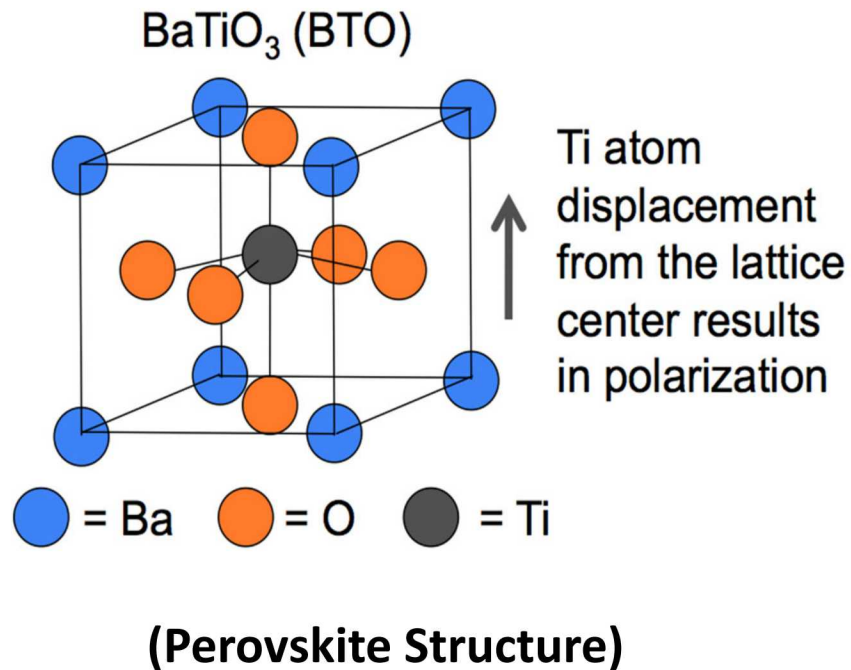


Evaluate and test

- Pour into 3D printed mold and cure into inductor/motor part
- Hot press to increase density and loading factor
- Results in a net-shaped part (no machining required)



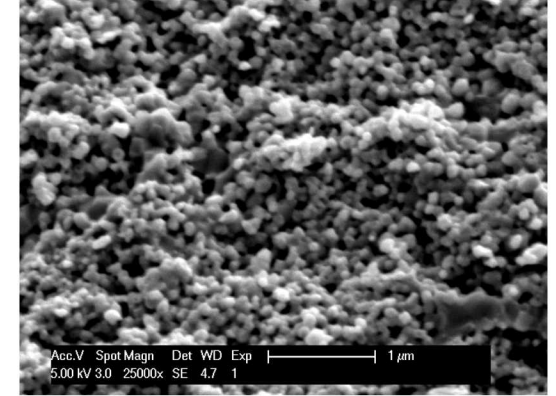
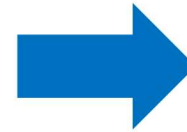
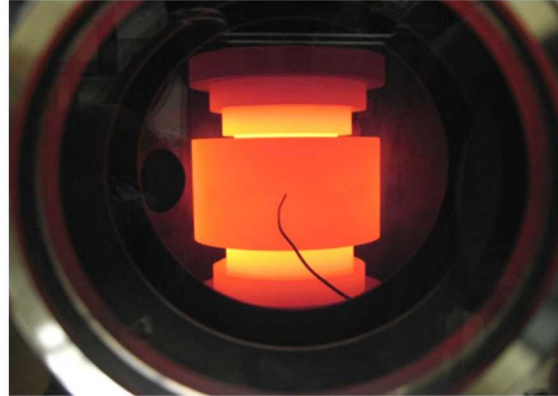
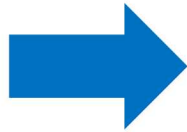
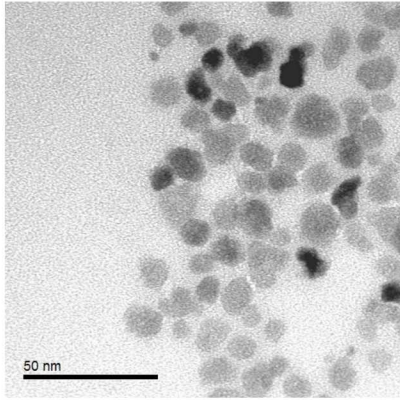
Barium Titanate (BaTiO_3 or BTO)



- Ferroelectric in bulk at room temperature
- Curie temp. (T_c) of 120 °C
- High dielectric constant
- Wide variation in reported nanoparticle dielectric constants

Device Fabrication

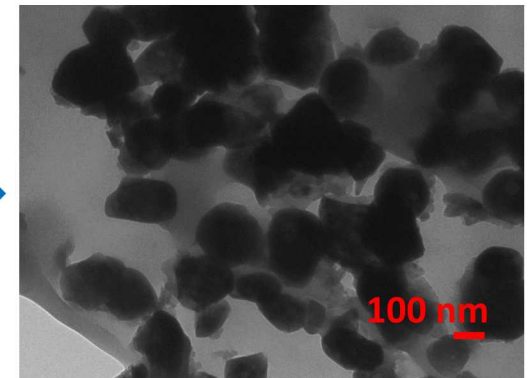
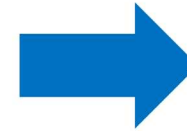
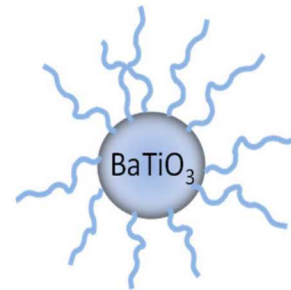
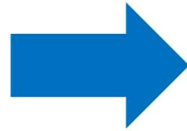
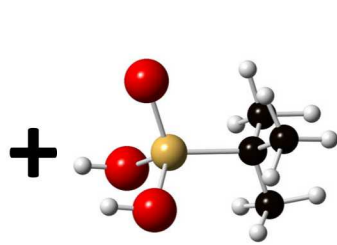
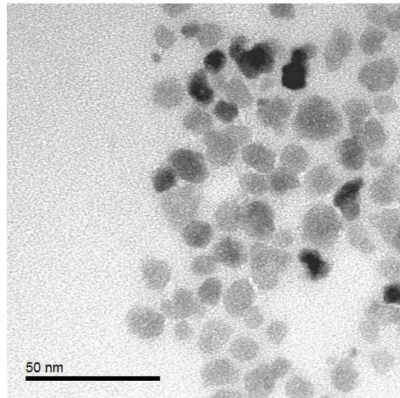
Sintering



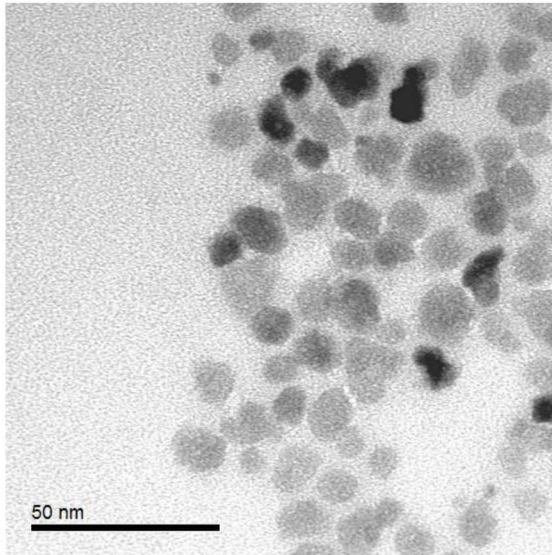
Spark Plasma Sintering die

SNL BTO, grain size 100 – 200 nm

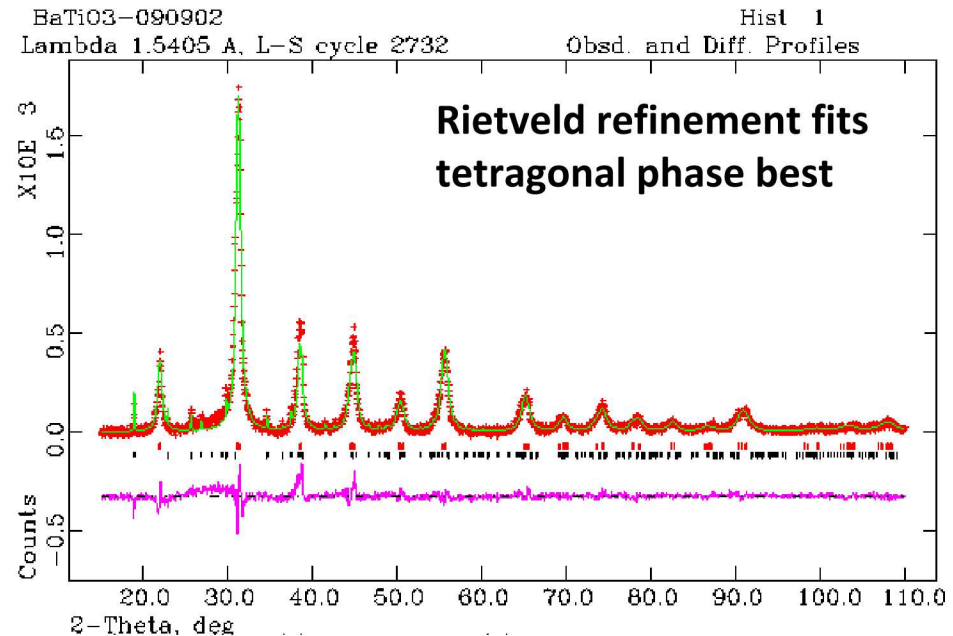
Polymer composite



SNL BTO Nanoparticle Synthesis



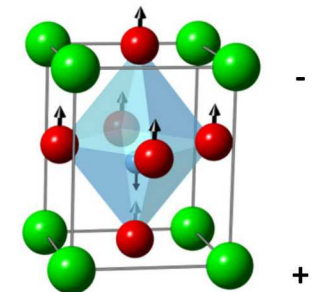
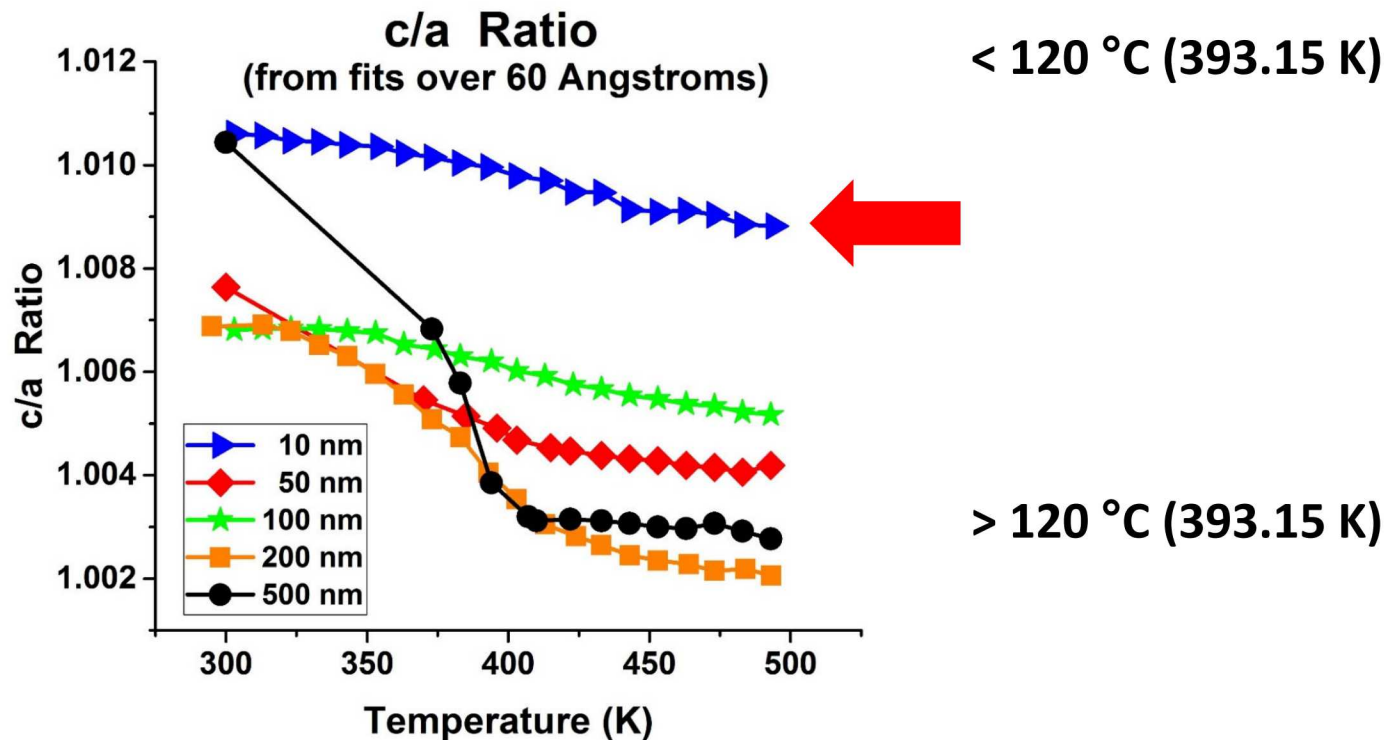
~ 10 nm diameter



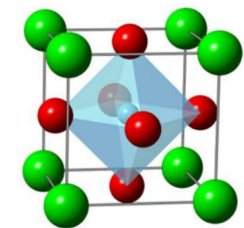
- $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and $\text{Ti}(\text{OPr})_4$ precursors at 80 °C
- Redesigned synthesis with air-free chemistry and improved control over water addition
- Rietveld analysis fits tetragonal phase when particles synthesized with 0.5 and 0.6 mol H_2O

Particle Size Dependent Behavior

Synchrotron aPDF (atomic pair distribution function) Analysis



Tetragonal
(Ferroelectric)



Cubic
(Paraelectric)

Synchrotron X-ray data collected at NSLS at Brookhaven National Lab

Shi, et al., "Barium titanate nanoparticles: Short-range lattice distortions with long-range cubic order," Phys. Rev. B., vol. 00, pp. 005400, 2018.

Questions/Discussion

