



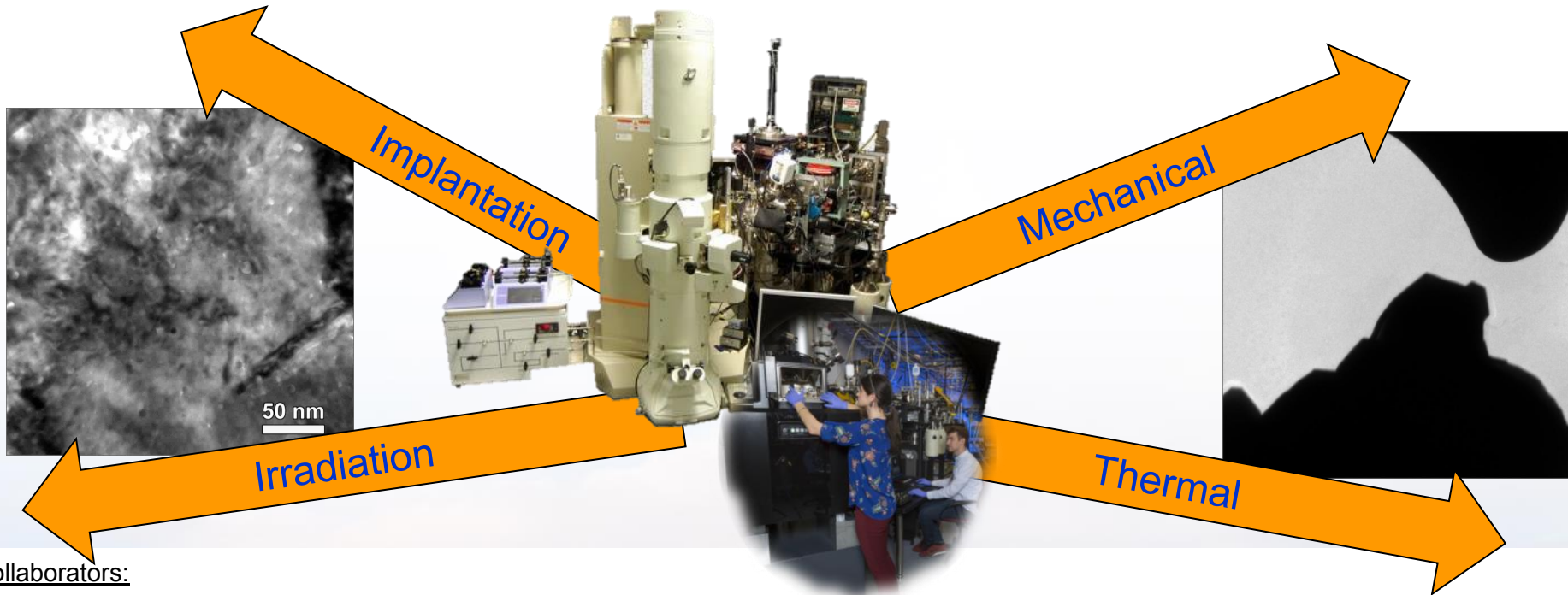
Irradiation Creep and Fatigue Observed via In-situ Electron Microscopy

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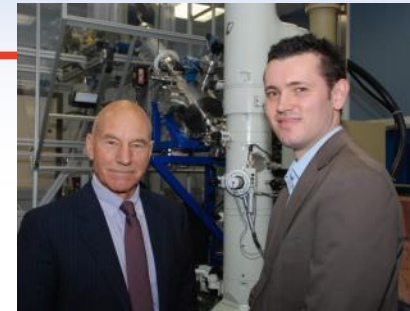
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History of *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM



Courtesy of: J. Hinks



Workshop on Ion Irradiation TEM

Huddersfield, UK (2008)
Albuquerque, USA (2011)
Saporro, Japan (2013)
Paris, France (2016)
Huddersfield, UK (2018)
Ann Arbor, MI, USA (2020)

1930s...

1960s

1970s

1980s

1990s

2000s

2010s

1931

The invention of the TEM

1961

O⁻ emission reported from a TEM filament by Pashley, Presland, and Meneter at TI Labs, Cambridge, UK

1968

First TEM beamline combination by Thackery, Nelson, and Sansom at AERE Harwell, UK

1978

First in-situ ion irradiation experiments at ANL

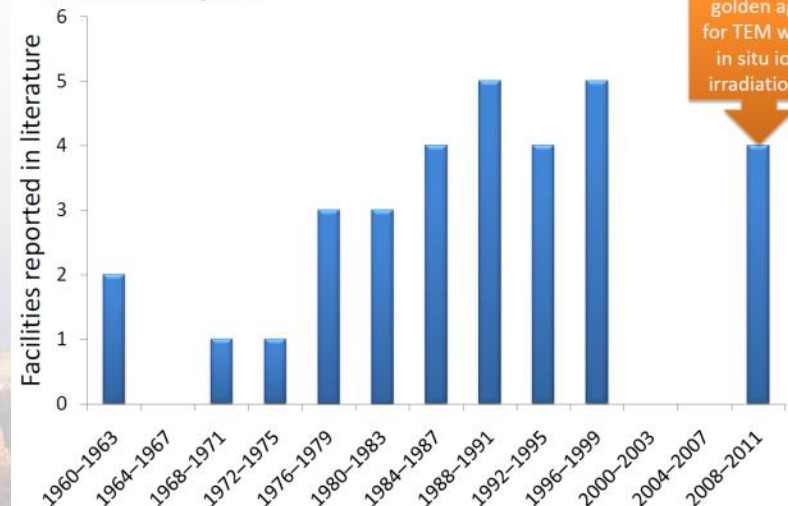
1976

First HVEM with ion irradiation at UVA, USA

1990s

First dual beam system developed at JAERI and NIMS, Japan

Breakdown by Year



Dawn of new golden age for TEM with in situ ion irradiation?

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

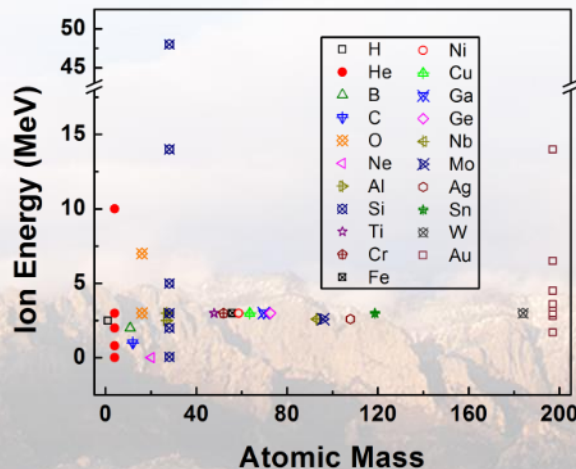
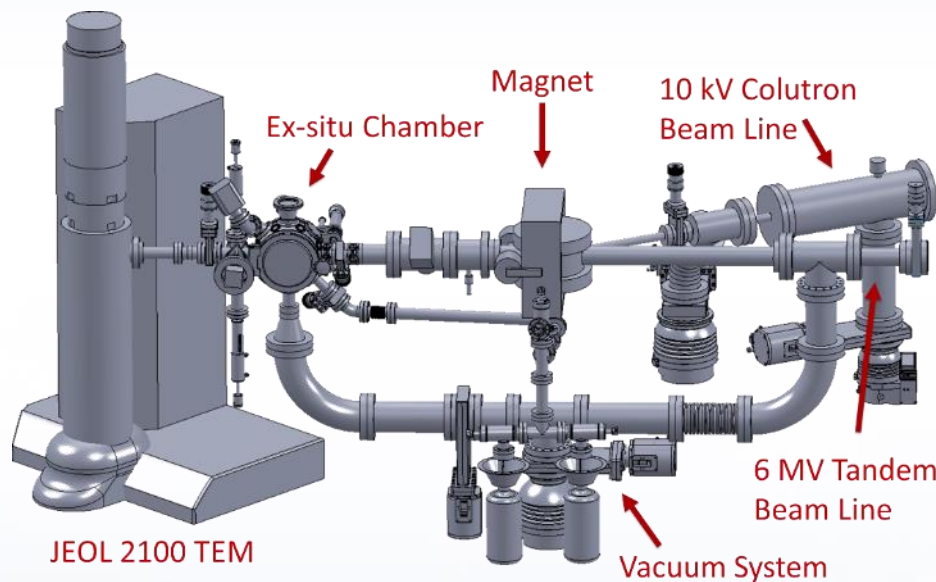


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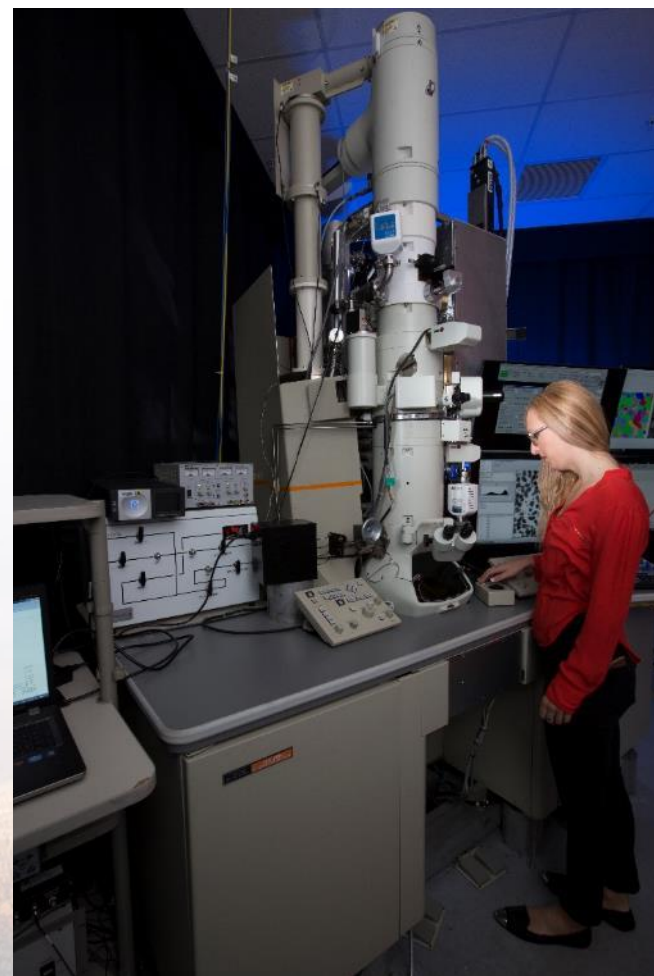
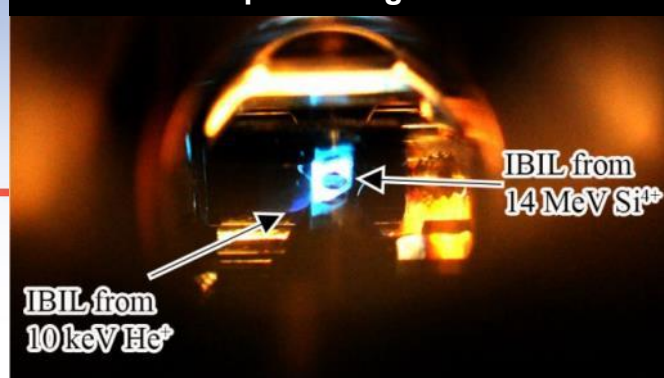
Sandia's Concurrent *In situ* Ion Irradiation TEM Facility

Collaborator: D.L. Buller

10 kV Colutron - 200 kV TEM - 6 MV Tandem

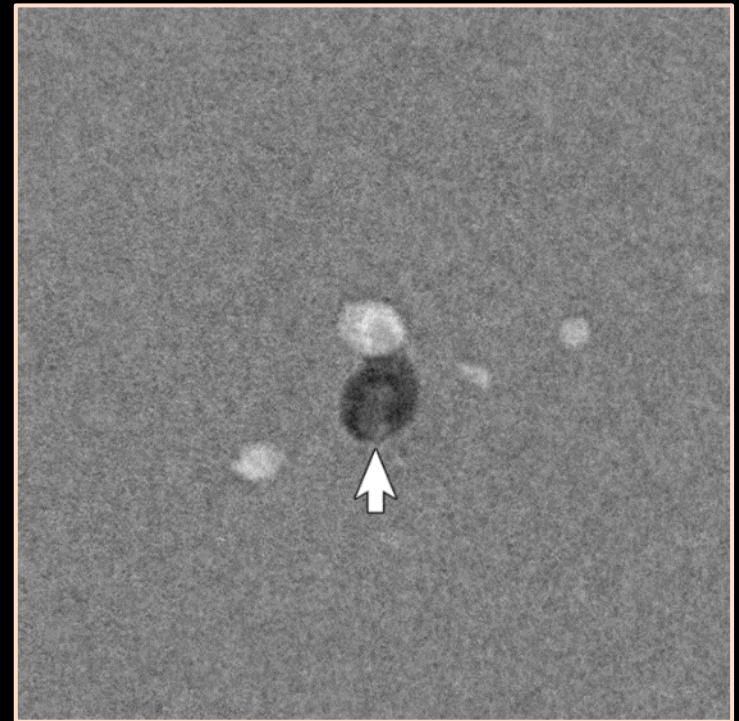
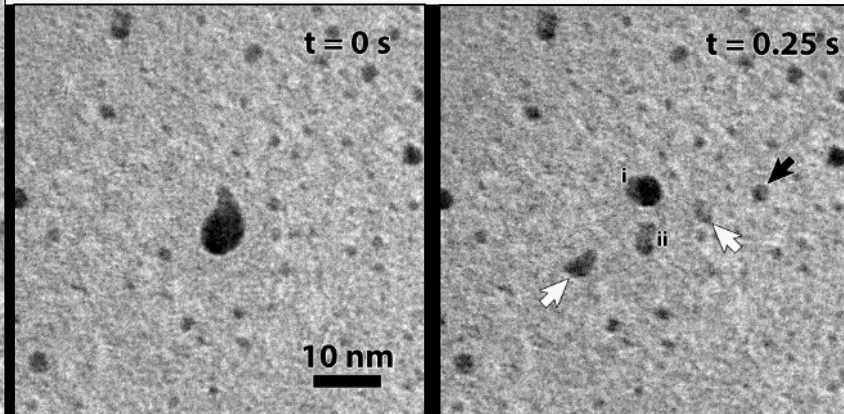
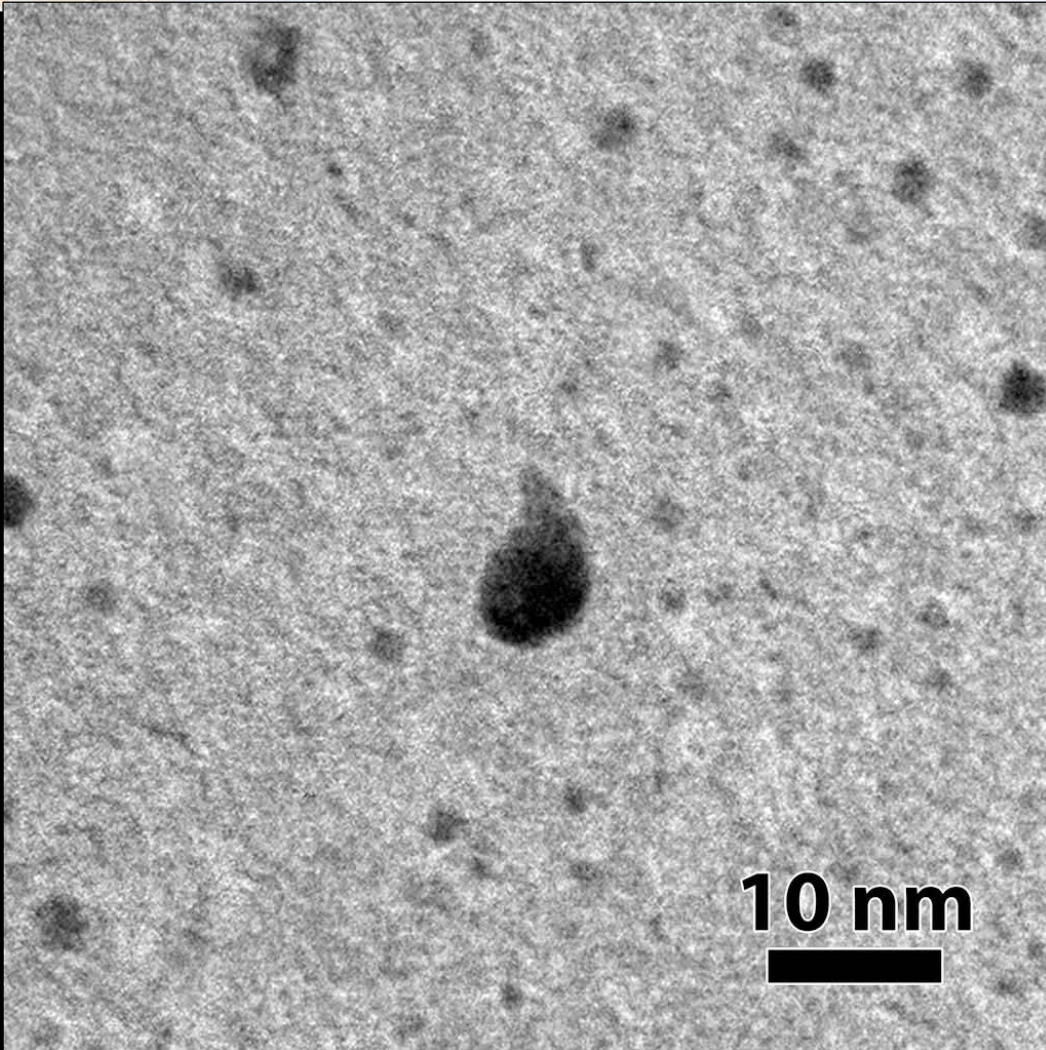


IBIL from a quartz stage inside the TEM



Single Ion Strikes: 46 keV Au^{1+} ions into ~5 nm Au nanoparticles

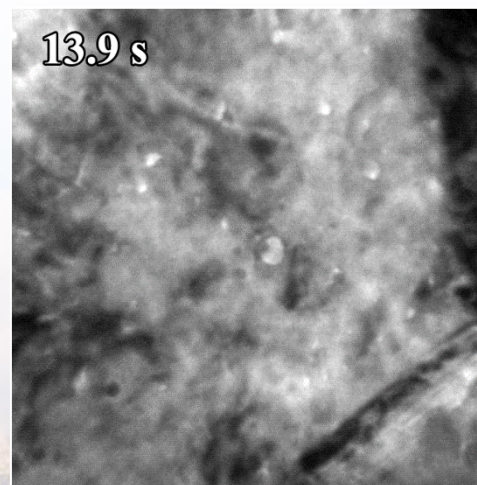
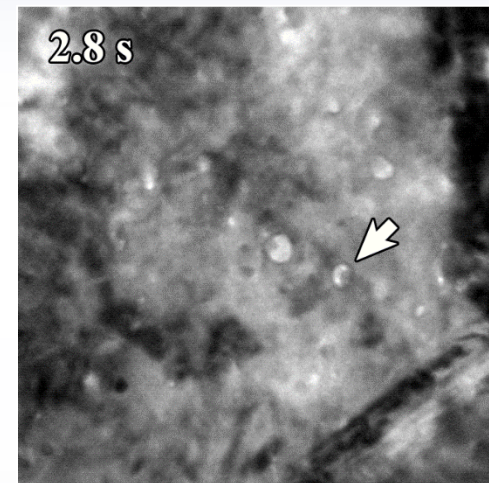
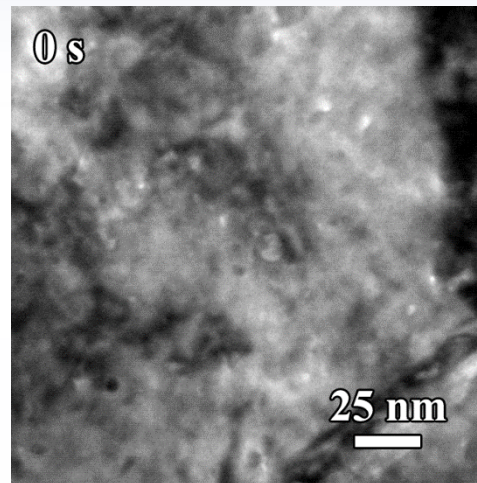
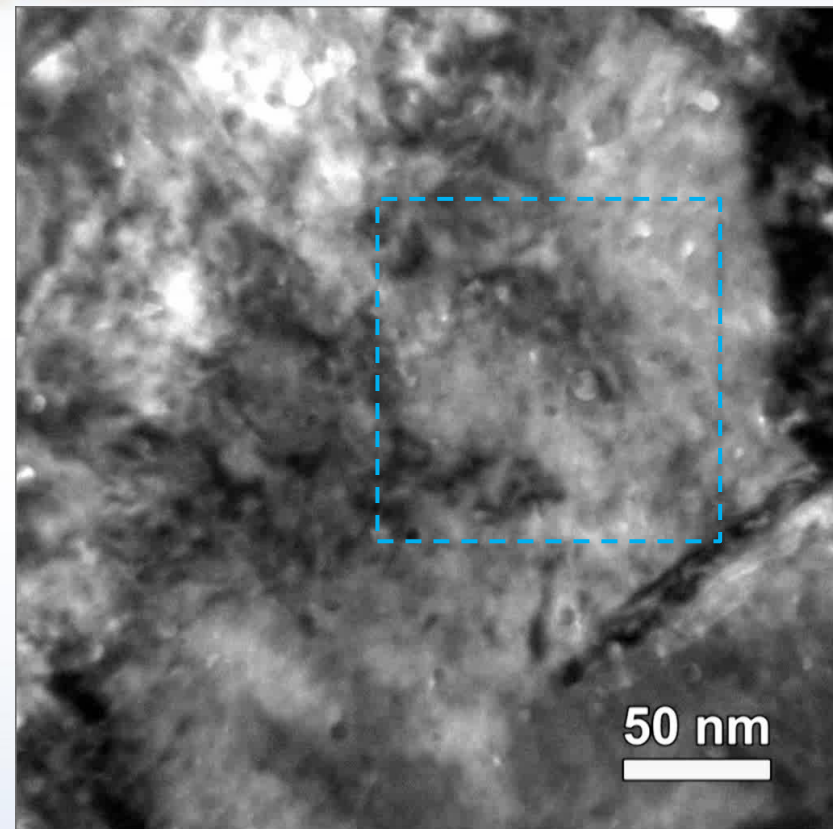
Collaborator: D.C. Bufford



Simultaneous *In situ* TEM Triple Beam:

2.8 MeV Au⁴⁺ + 10 keV He⁺/D₂⁺

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford



In situ triple beam He, D₂, and Au beam irradiation has been demonstrated on Sandia's I³TEM!

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

Speed
x1.5

- **Approximate fluence:**
 - Au 1.2×10^{13} ions/cm²
 - He 1.3×10^{15} ions/cm²
 - D 2.2×10^{15} ions/cm²

- **Cavity nucleation and disappearance**



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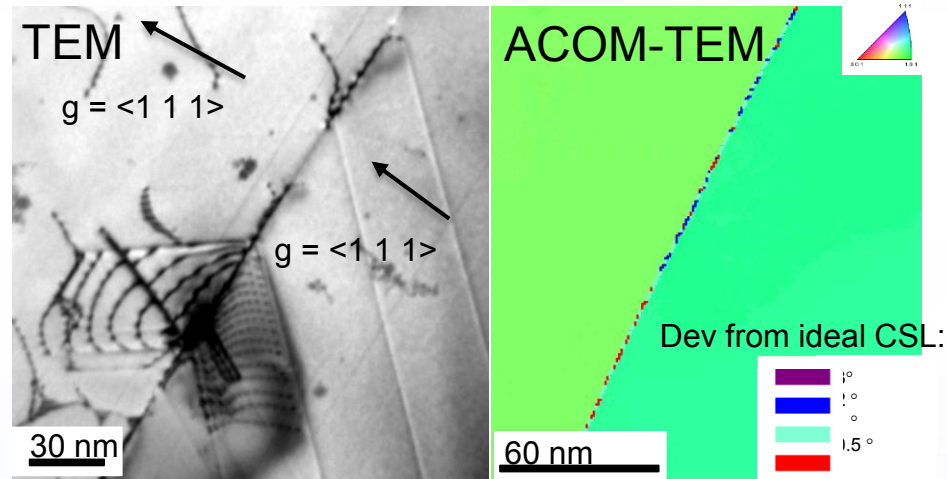
In situ Qualitative Mechanical Testing

Collaborators: C. Barr

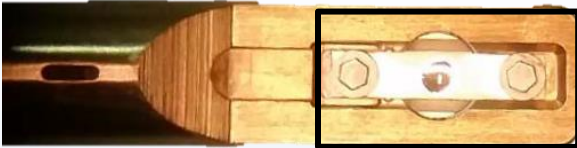
Gatan straining TEM Holder

- Minimal control over displacement and no “out-of-box” force information
- Successful in studies in observing dislocation-GB interactions/mechanisms
- Ideally both grains have kinematic BF 2-beam conditions: challenging in ST holder

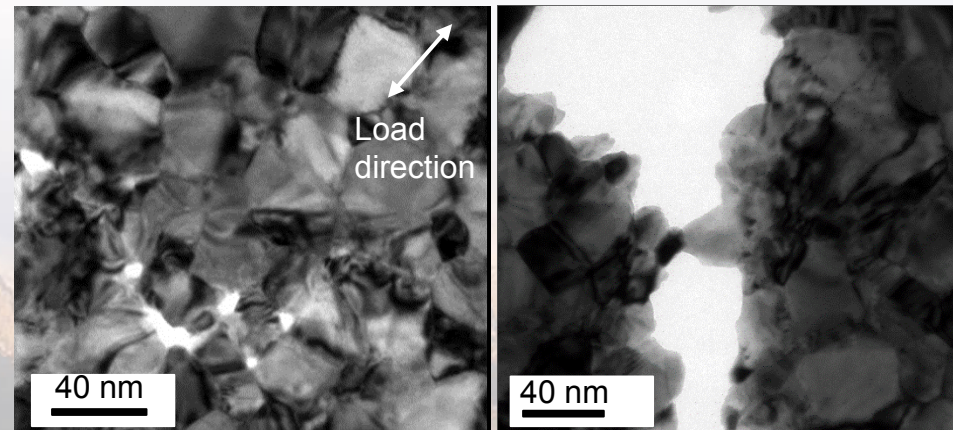
Dislocation interactions as a function of GB character ($\Sigma 3$ twin GB below):



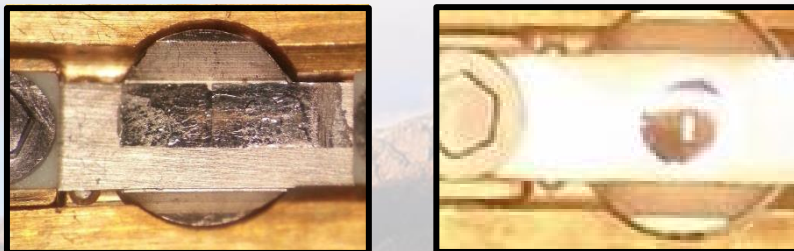
Traditional Gatan Heating and Straining Holder



Observe deformation mechanisms in nanocrystalline metals during tensile straining:



Thin film tension “jig”: Jet thinned disk:



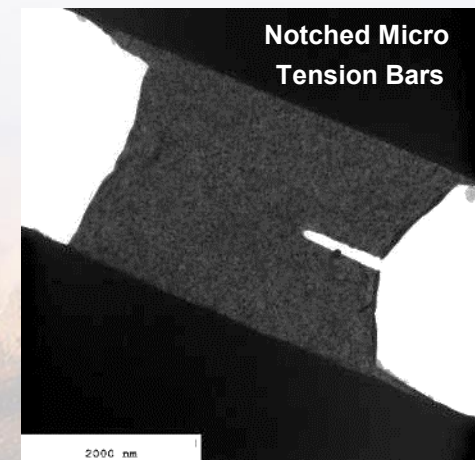
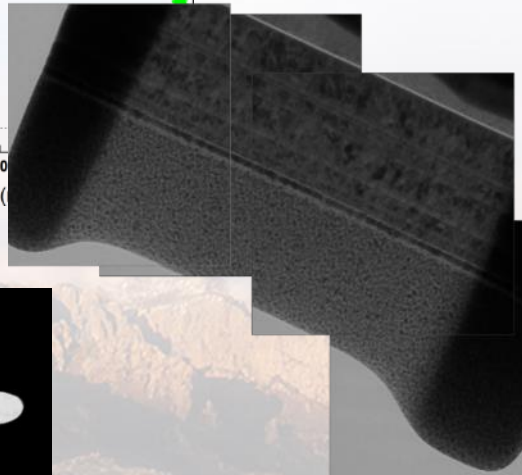
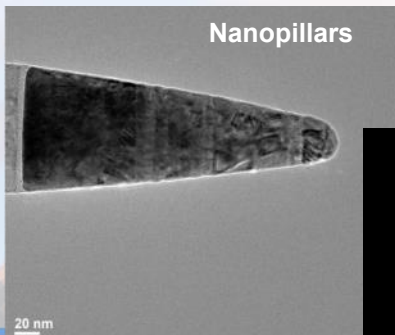
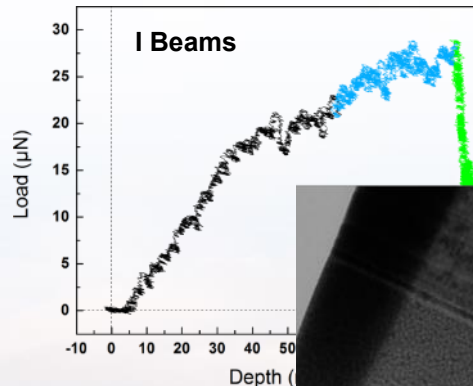
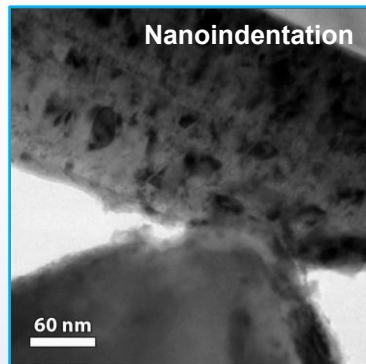
In situ Quantitative Mechanical Testing

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Hysitron PI95 *In Situ* Nanoindentation TEM Holder

- Sub nanometer displacement resolution
- Quantitative force information with μN resolution
- **Concurrent real-time imaging by TEM**

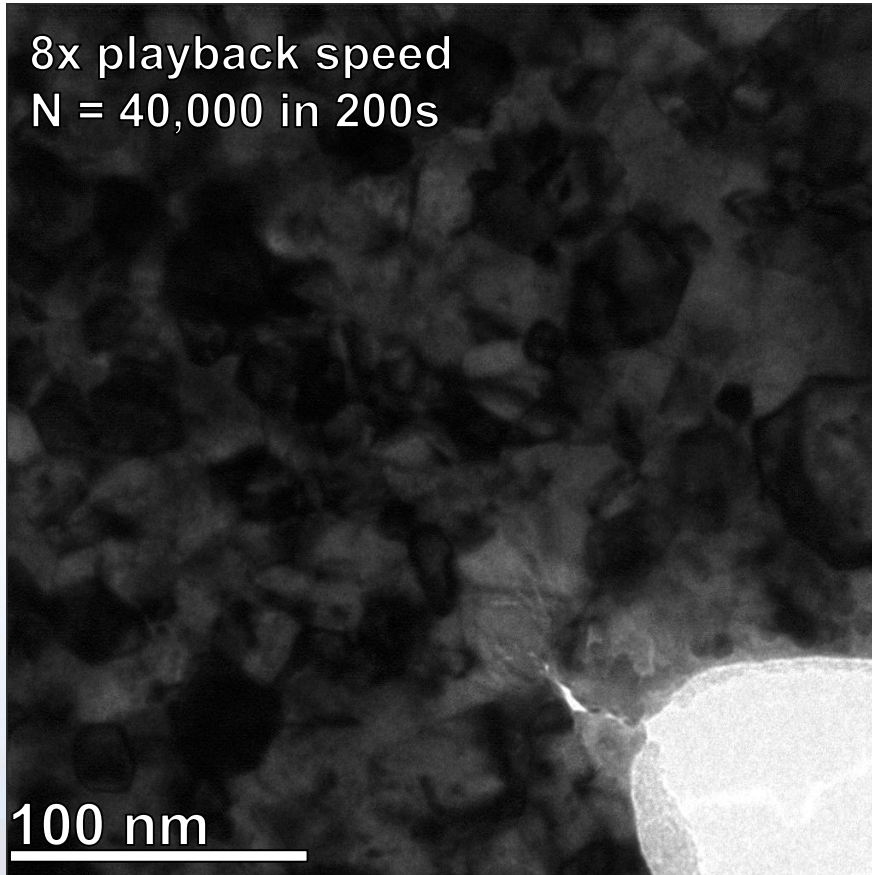


Fatigue Failure in Real Time?

Collaborators: C. Barr, B. Boyce, & W. Mook

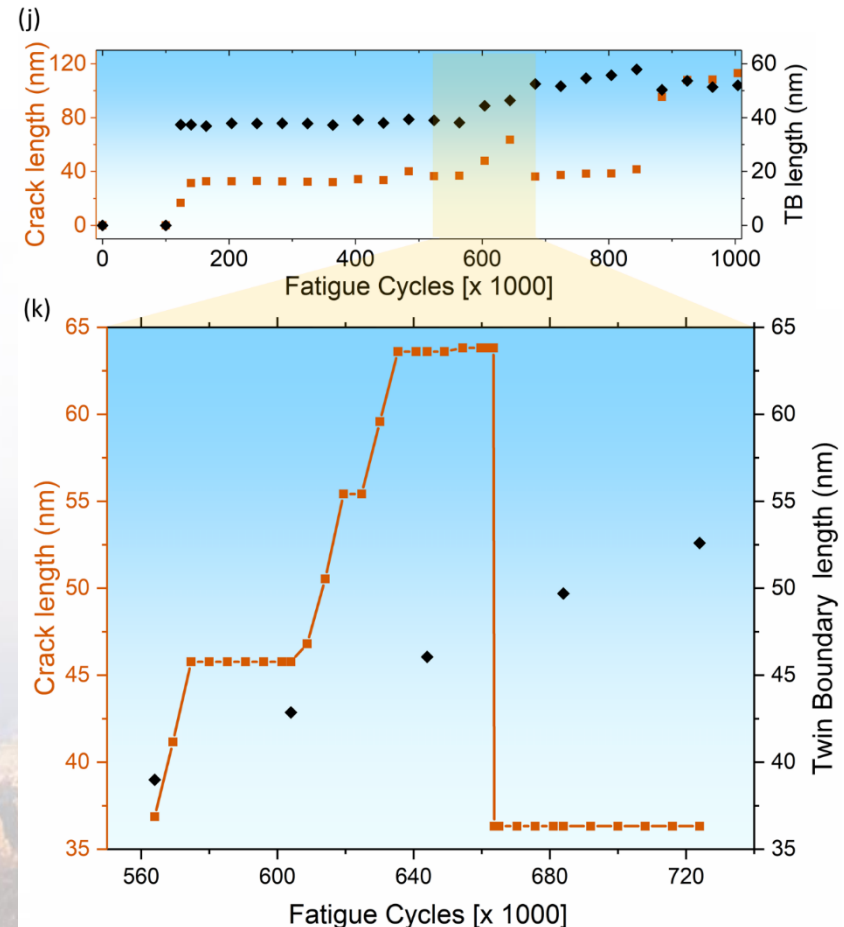
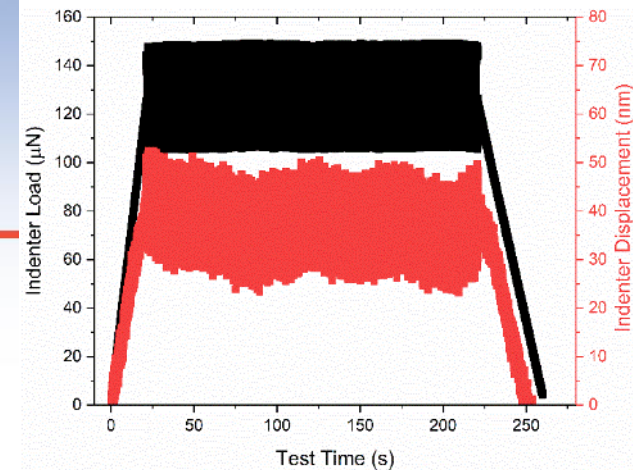
- Mean load: 135 μN ; Amplitude load: 35 μN
- 200 Hz, 200s test (15 fps 1k x 1k camera)

8x playback speed
N = 40,000 in 200s



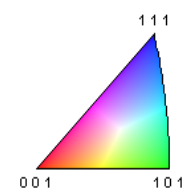
- $da/dN = 1.7 \times 10^{12} \text{ m/cycle}$
- Non-linear crack extension rate
- Crack propagation path changes “direction”

~ 2 pm/cycle

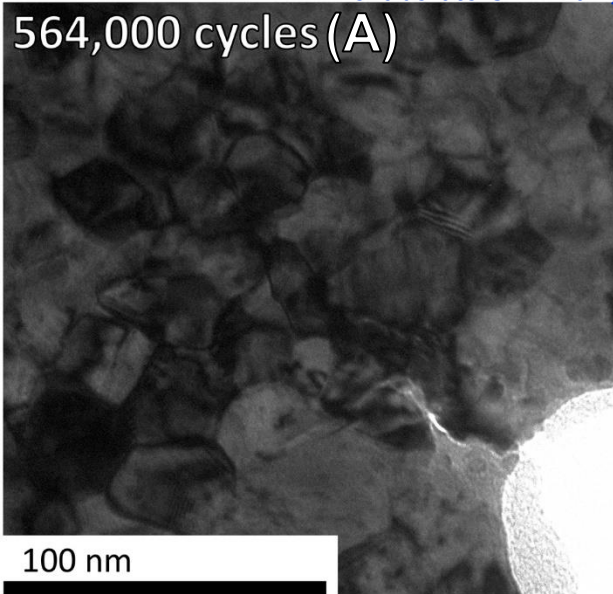


Crack Propagation, Closure, and Re-Direction

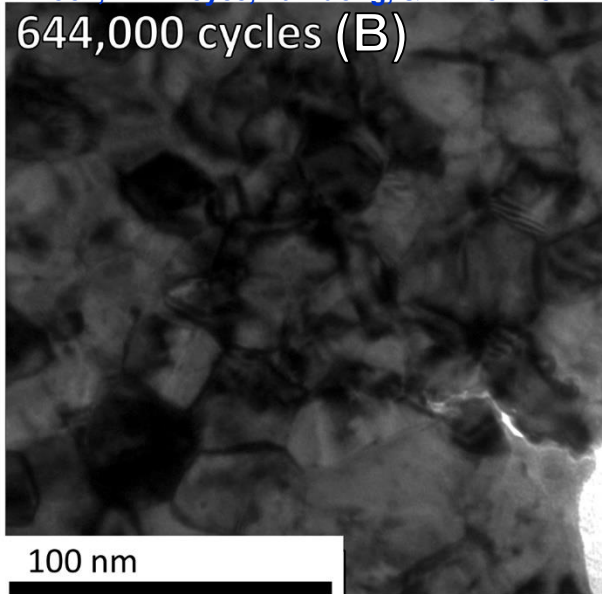
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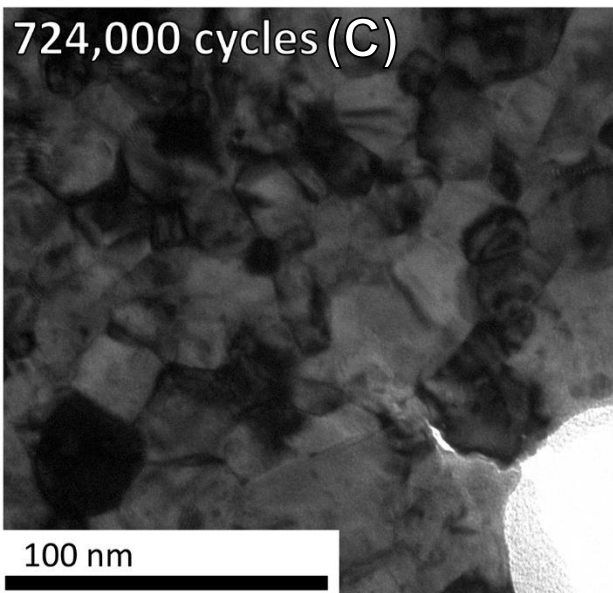
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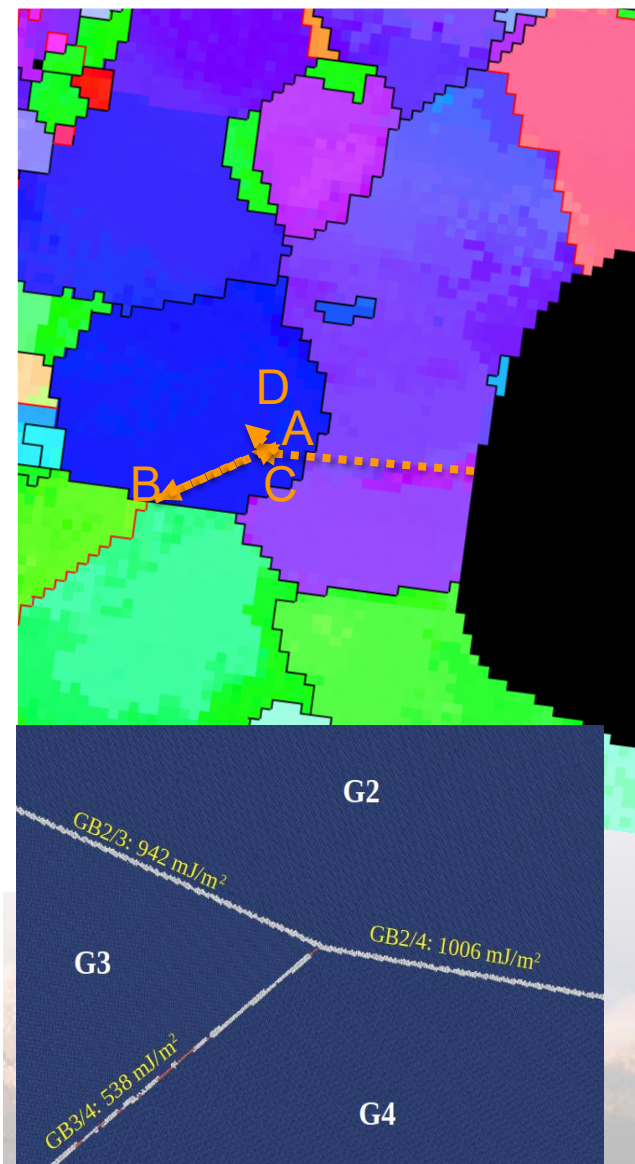
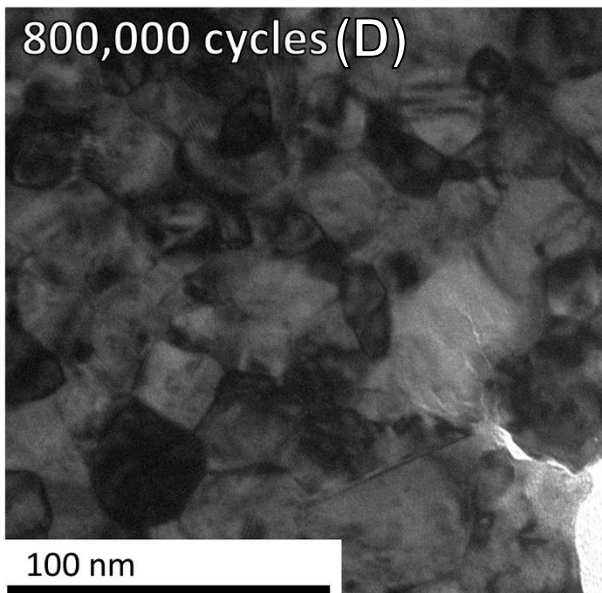
644,000 cycles (B)



724,000 cycles (C)



800,000 cycles (D)

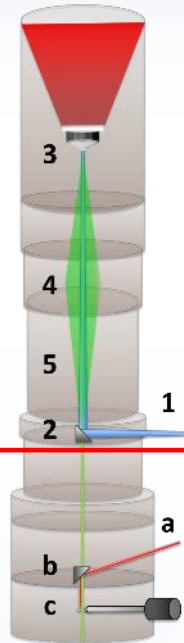


In-situ Specimen Drive Laser System

Collaborator: P. Price, A. Monterrosa, D. Adams, M. Abere, & IDES Inc.

Specimen Drive Laser

- a. Adjustable power 1064 nm infrared specimen (IR) drive laser
- b. IR laser is reflected directly onto the specimen with metal mirror
- c. Heat specimens in *in situ* holders, which otherwise would not be possible
- Laser capabilities:
 - 2-20 Watts
 - Pulsed or continuous operation
 - 50 μm diameter spot size
 - Positioning mirror, which can be used during laser operation




Electron Beam

IR Laser

Laser Alignment TEM Holder

- Phosphor screen
- Borescope
- CCD camera
- Precise alignment of the laser to the electron beam

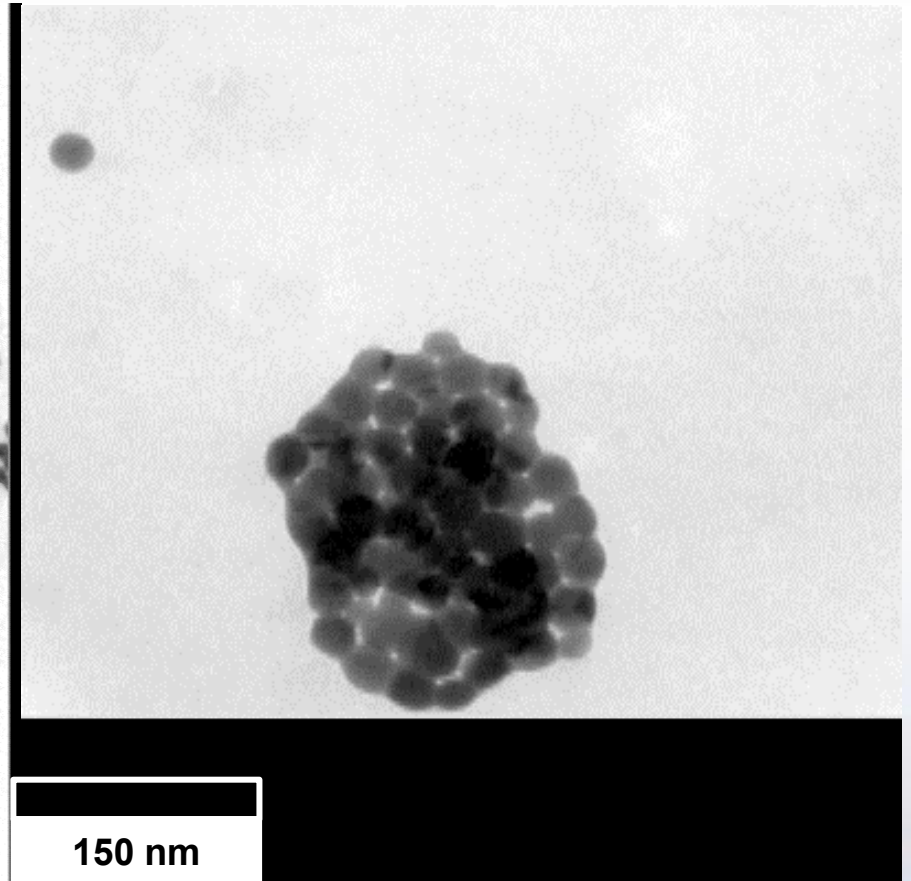
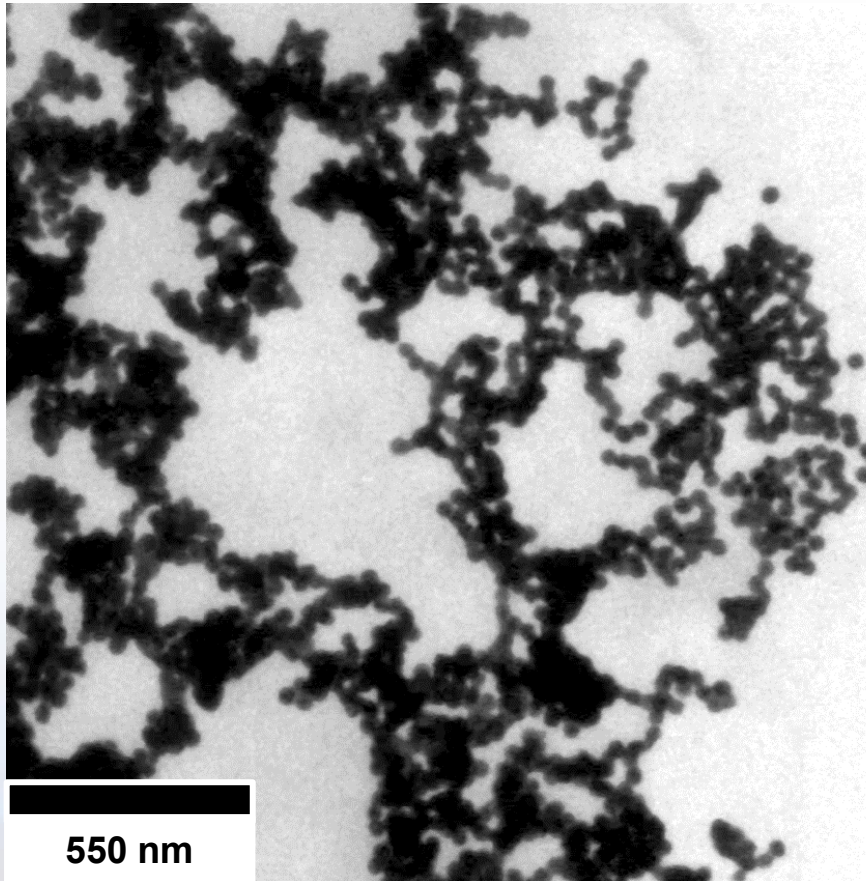
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Complex Interaction Au NPs Exposed to Laser Irradiation

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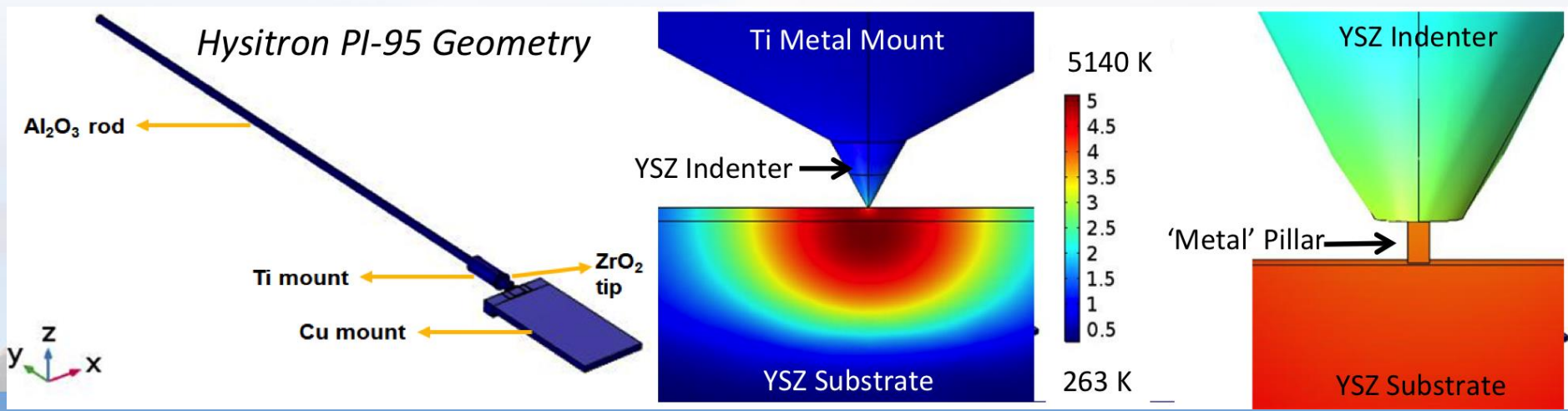
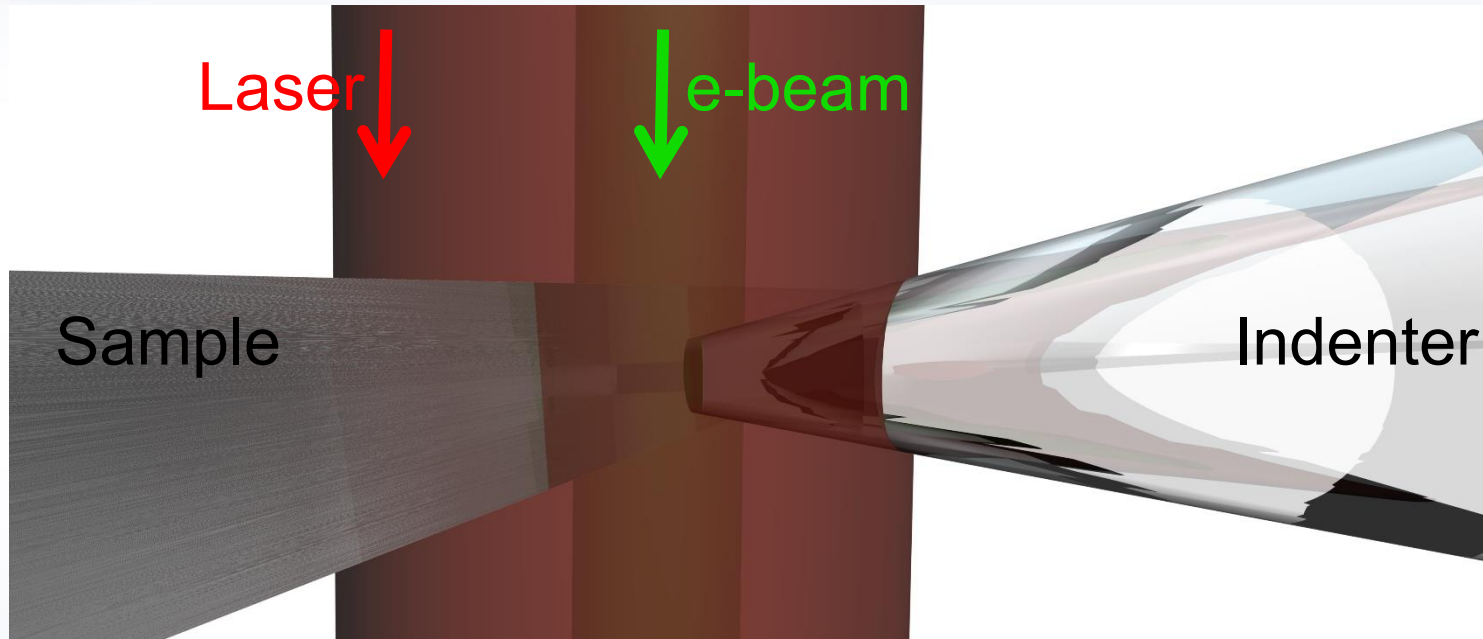
Speed = 2.5x



A Complex Combination of Sintering, Reactions, and Ablation Occurs

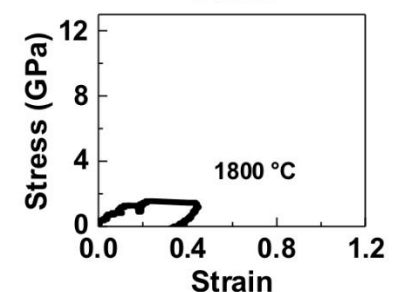
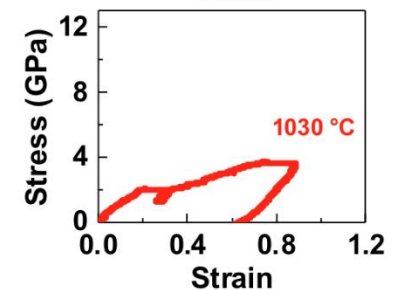
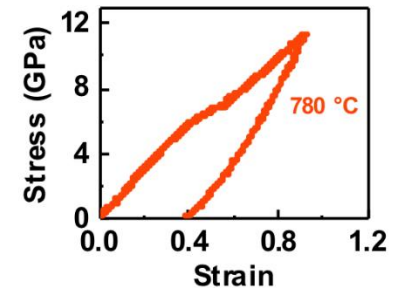
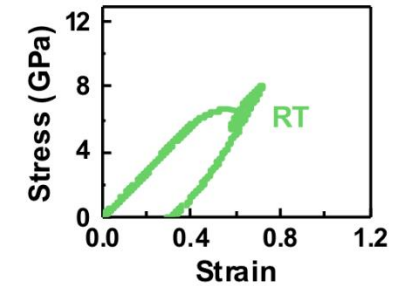
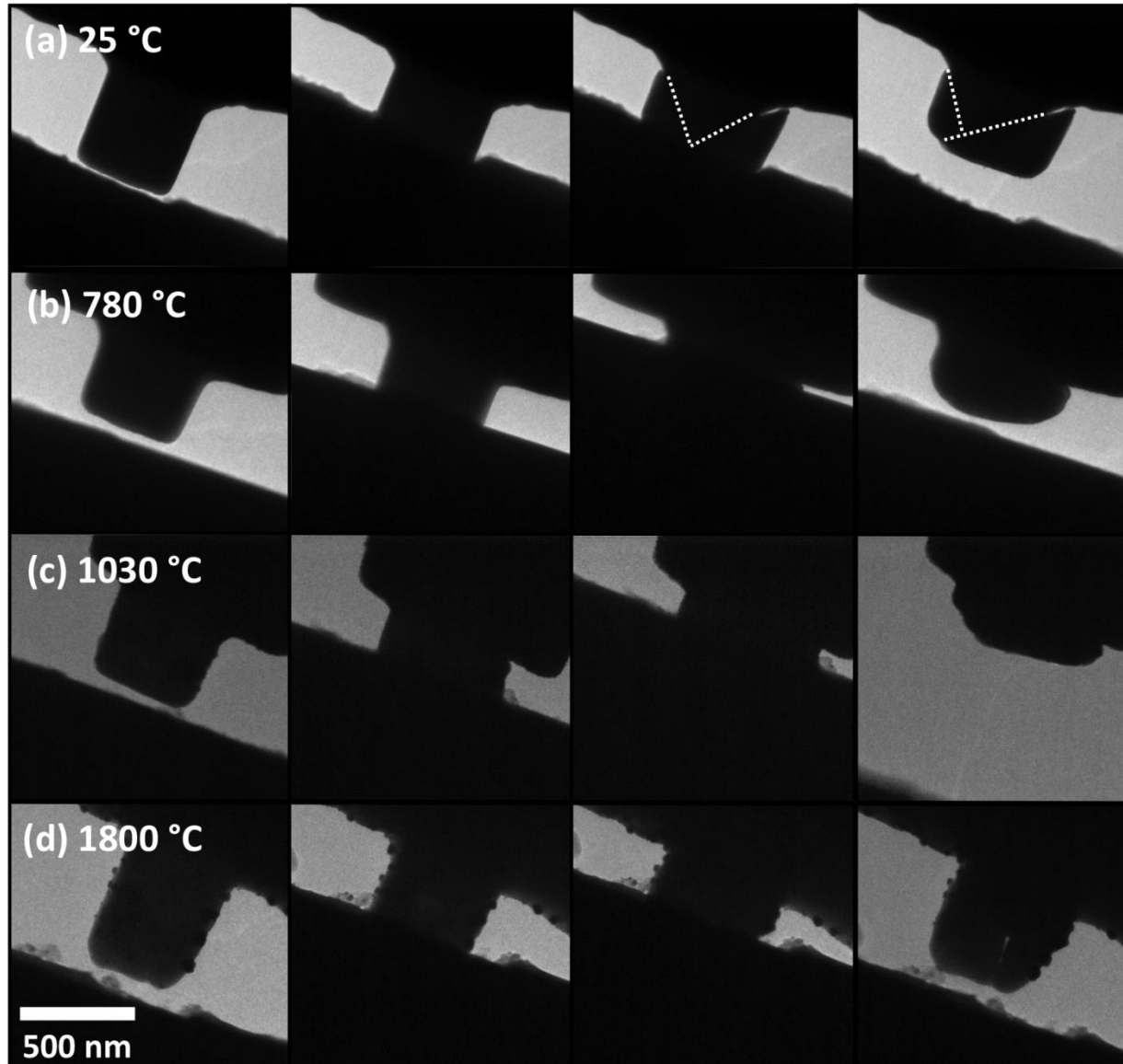
Can we Combine Laser Heating with Mechanical Testing?

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High Temperature Stress-Strain

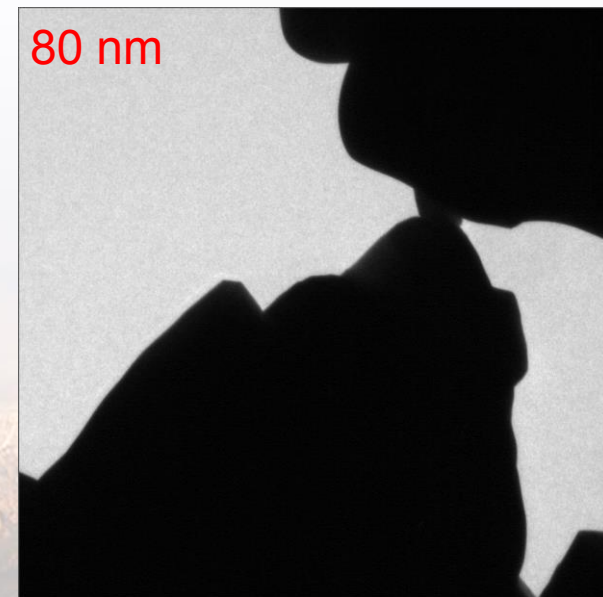
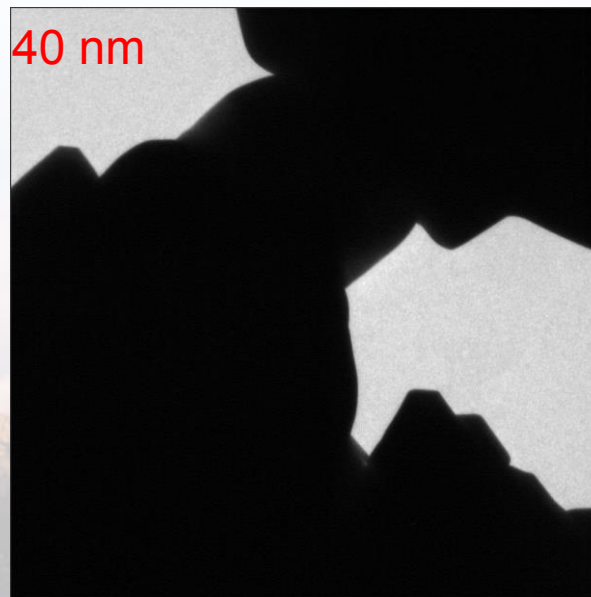
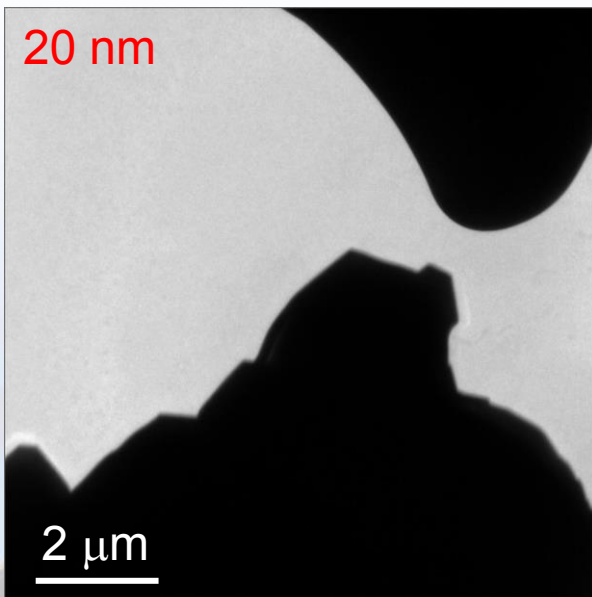
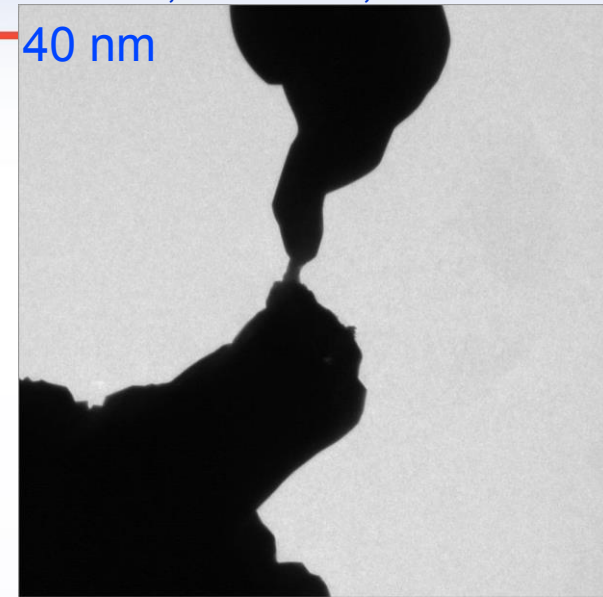
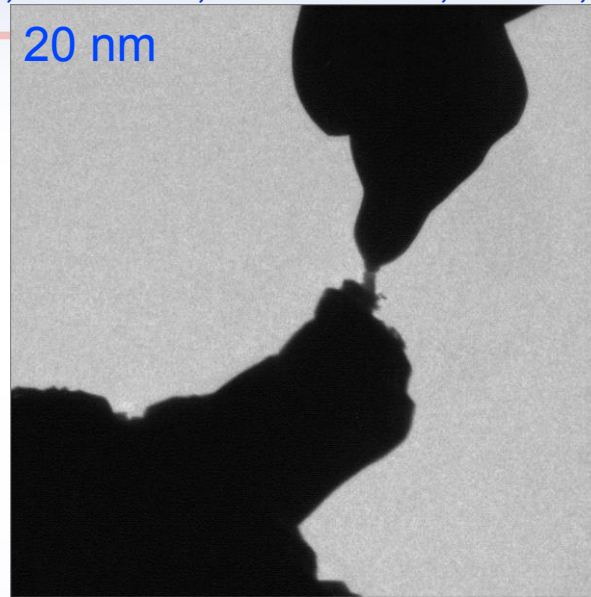
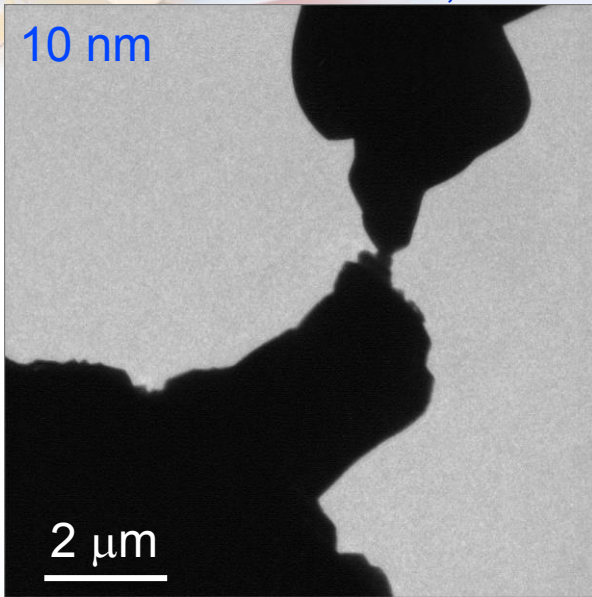
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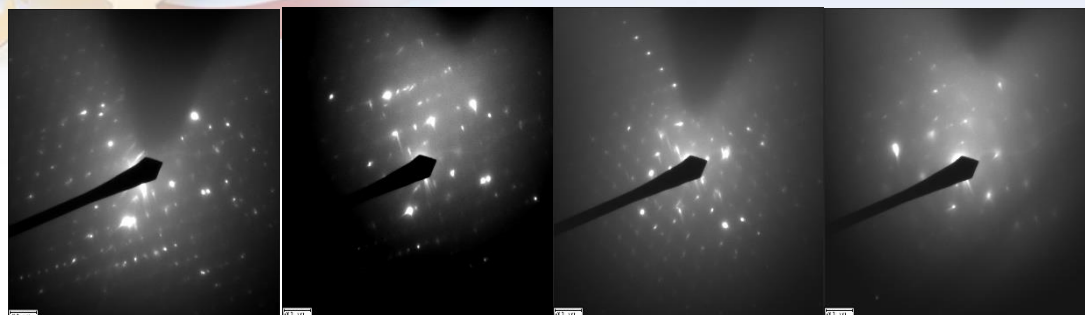
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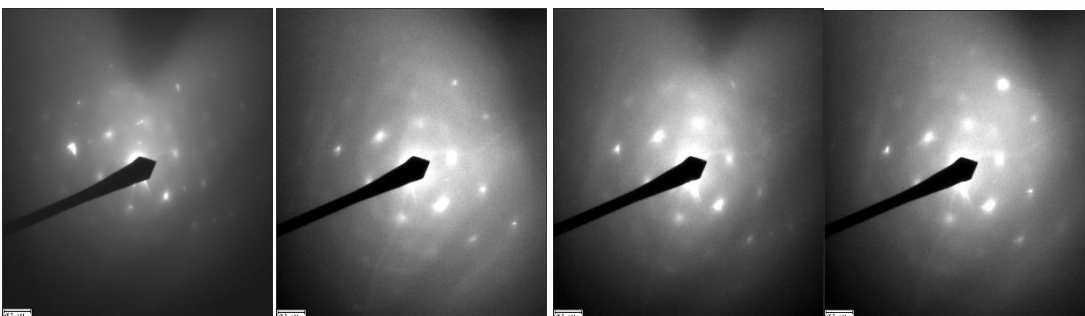
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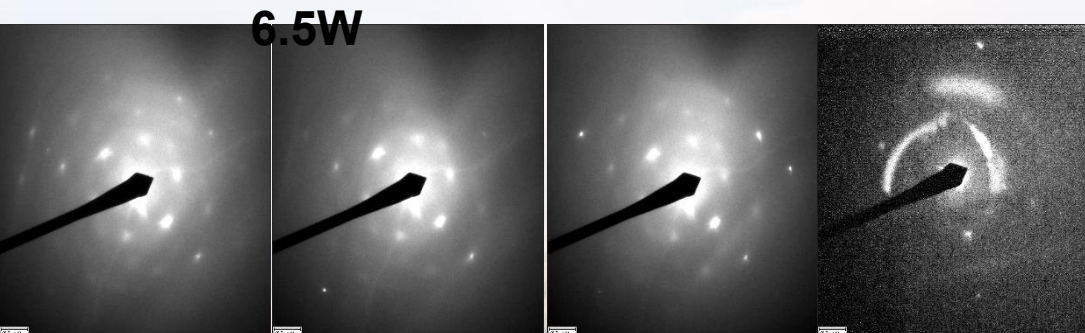
Diffraction for Temperature Calibration



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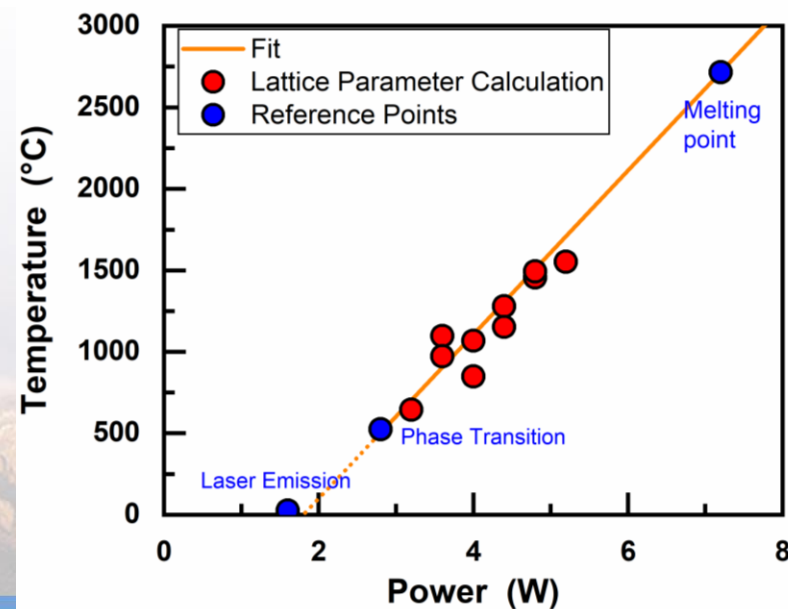
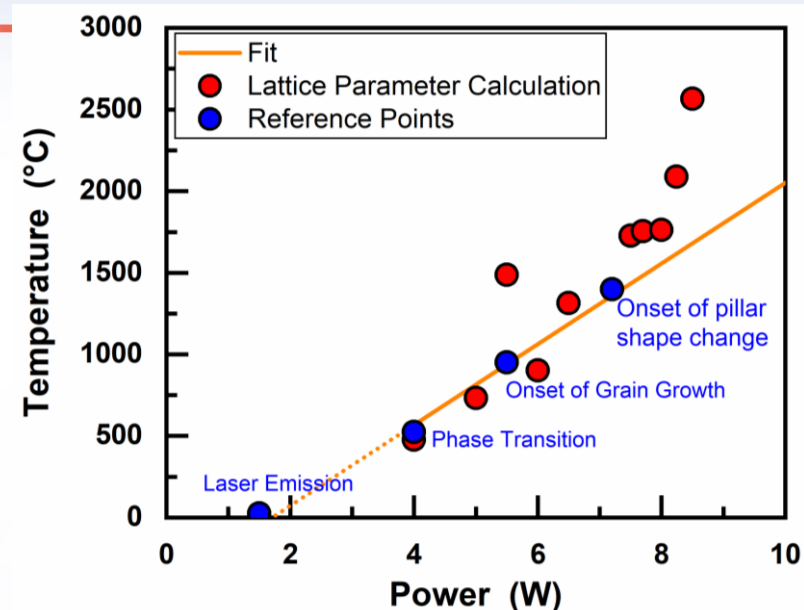


4W 5W 6W



7.7W 8W 8.5W

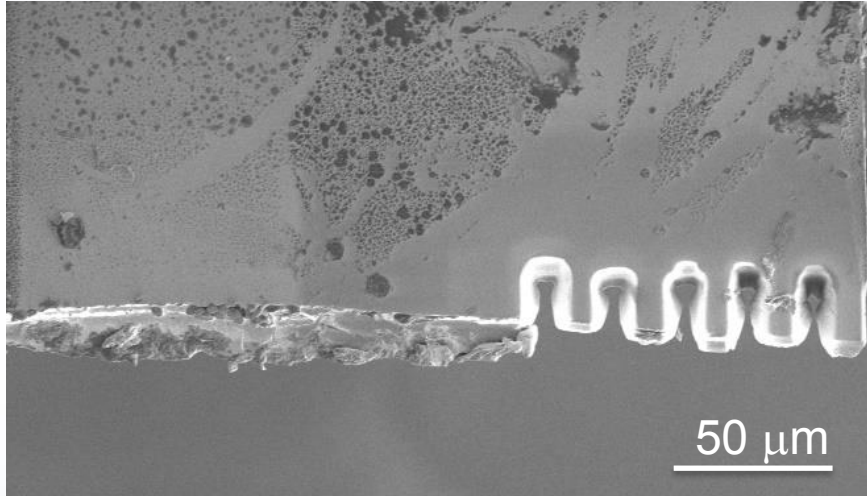
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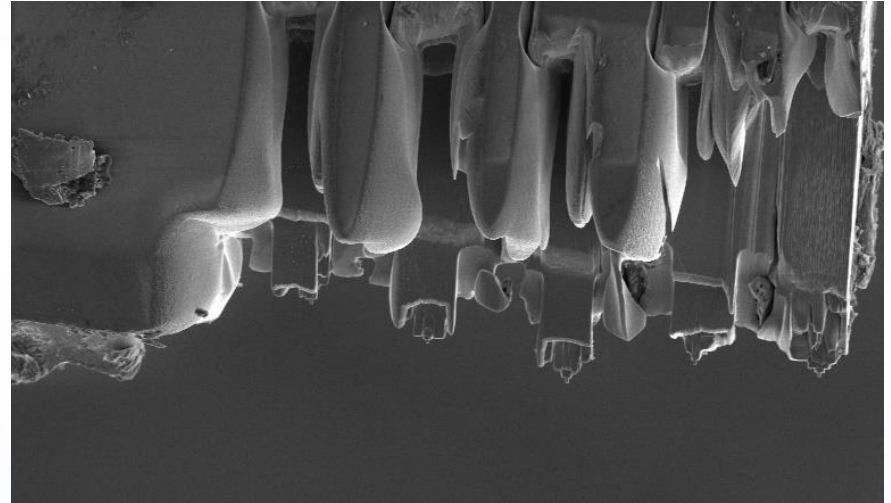
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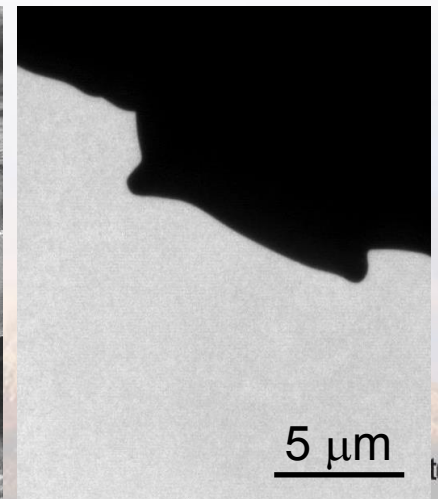
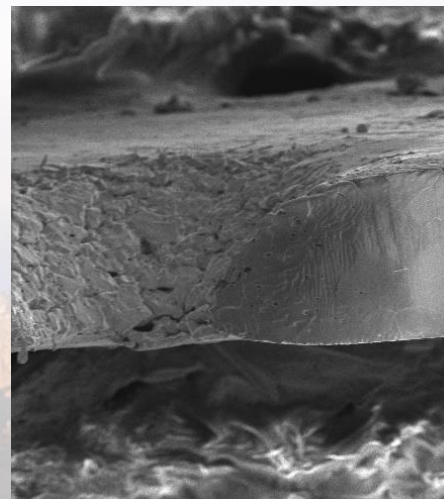
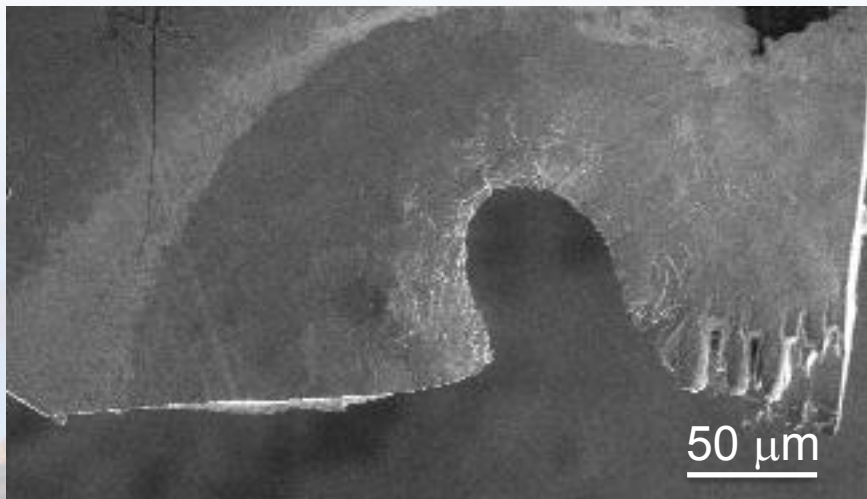
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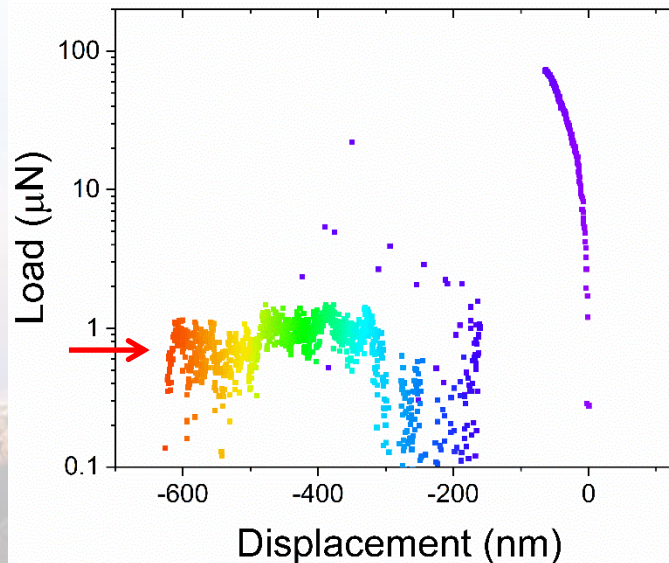
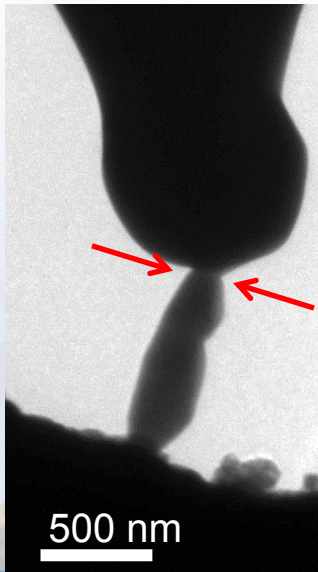
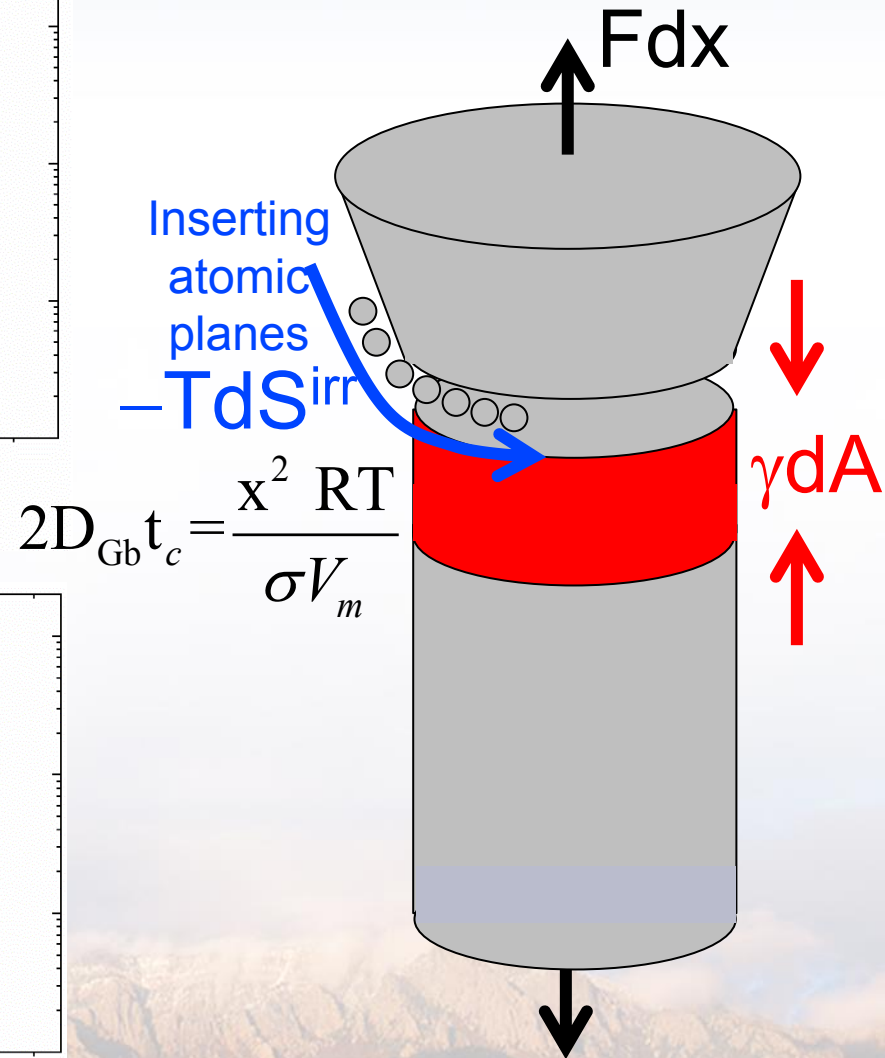
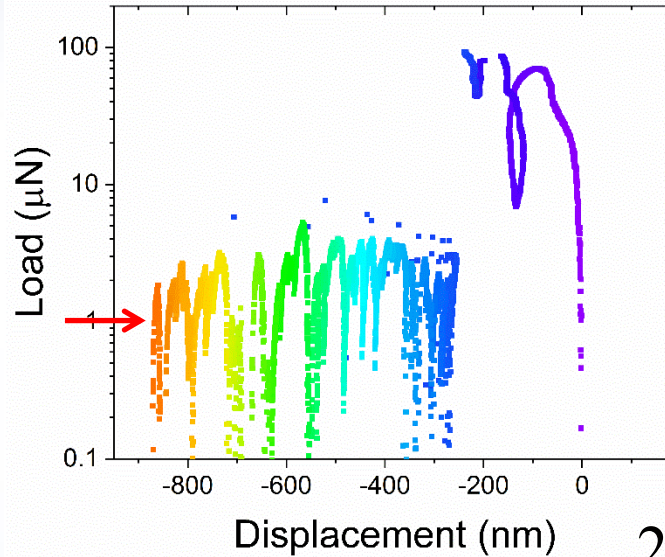
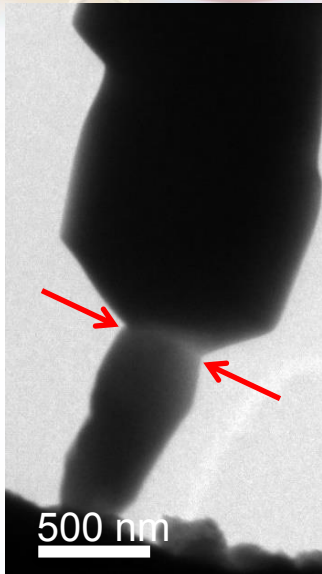


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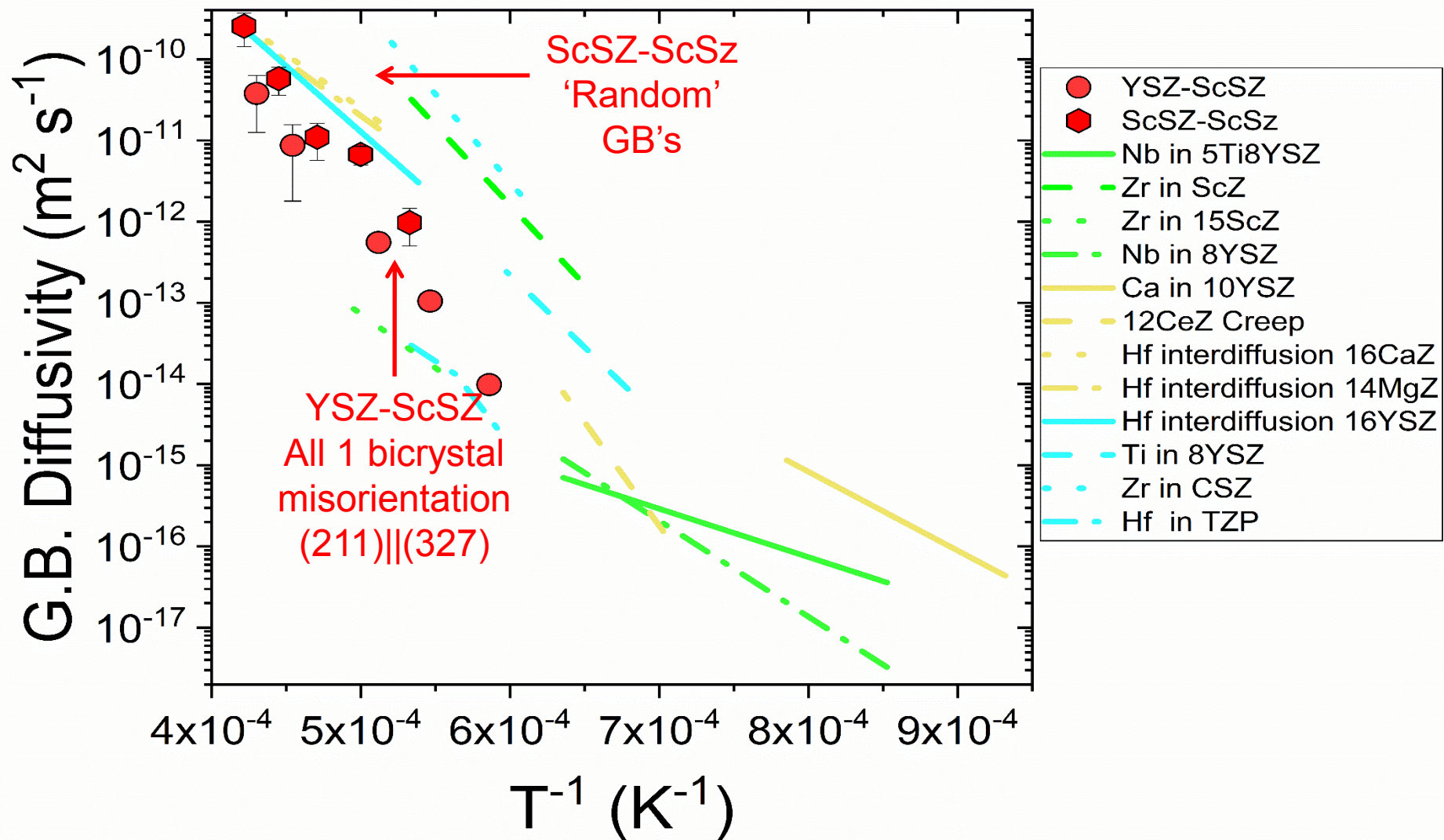
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Calculated G.B. Diffusivity Compared to Literature

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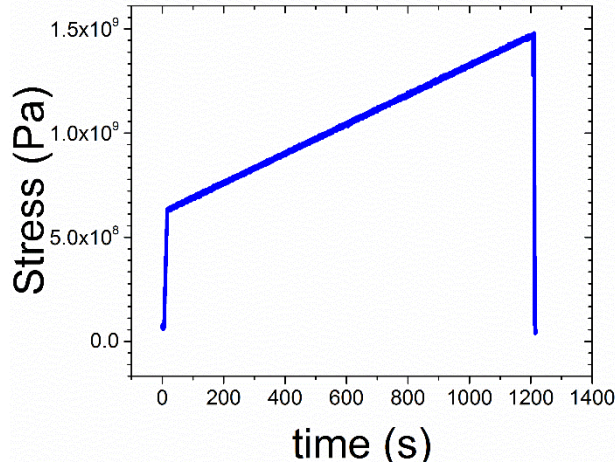


In situ TEM Ion Irradiation + Mechanical Testing = *In situ* TEM Irradiation Creep

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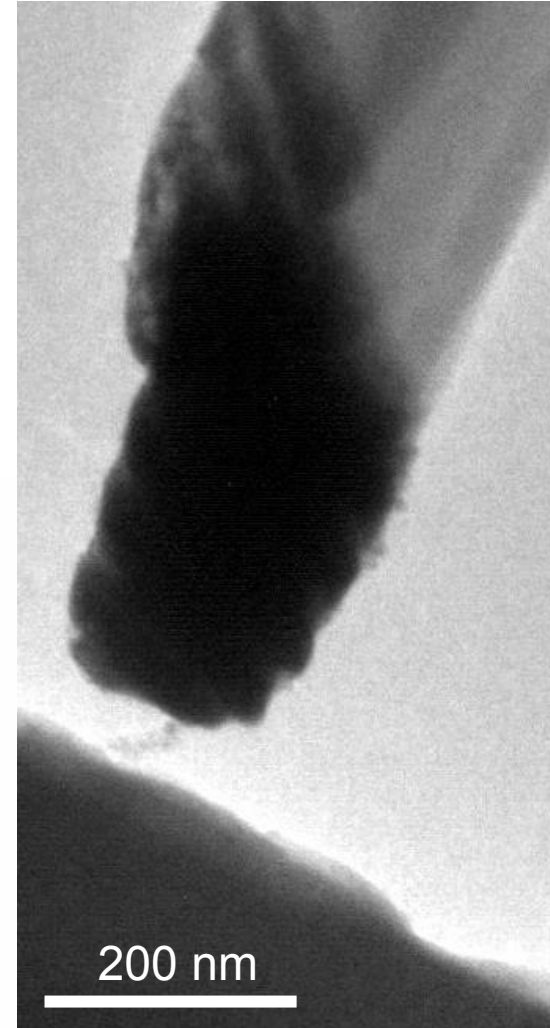
Controlled Loading Rate Experiments

4 MeV Cu^{3+}
 10^{-2} DPA/s

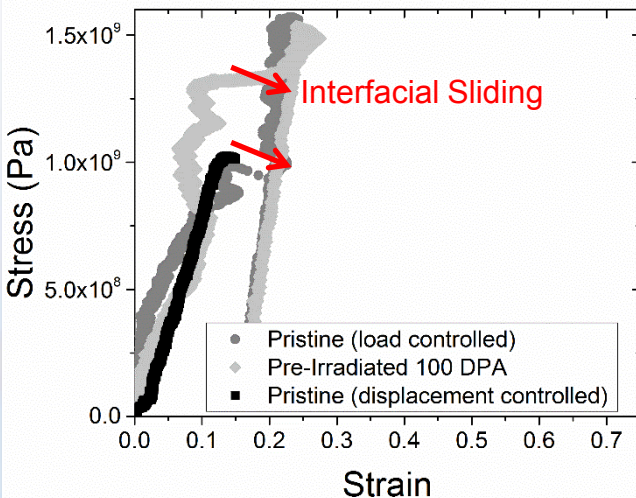


In-situ TEM
radiation
creep is
feasible!

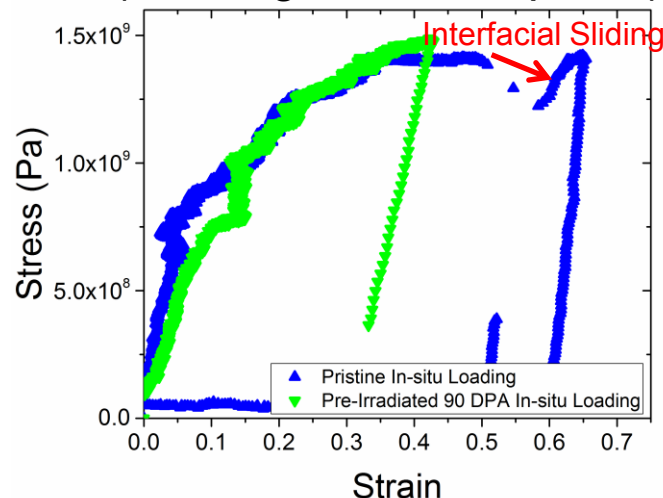
50 nm Cu-W multilayer
20 Min



No Irradiation (Loading rate 0.6 Mpa s^{-1})

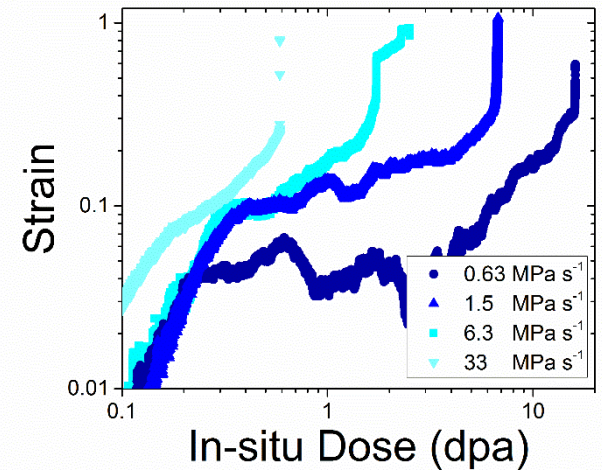
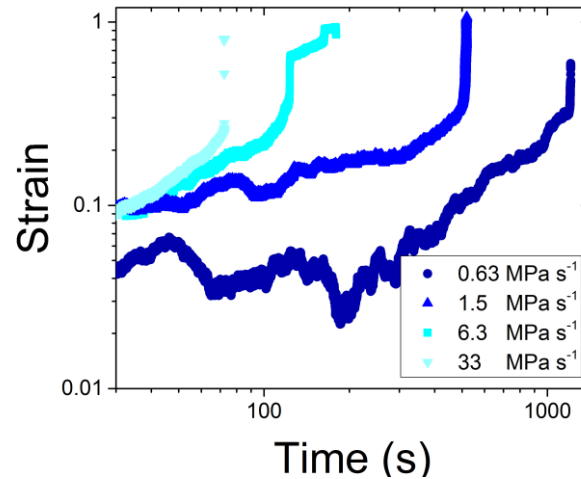
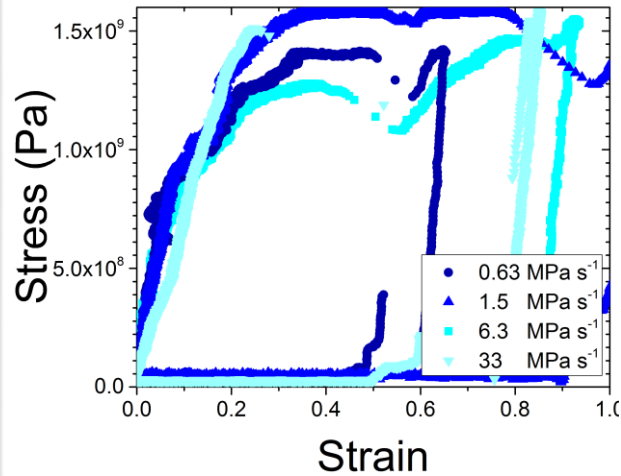


Irradiation Creep (Loading rate 0.6 Mpa s^{-1})



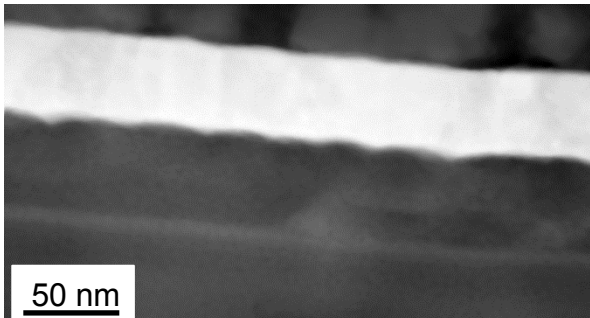
Creep Response at Different Loading Rates

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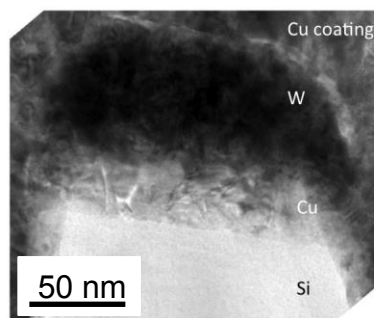


Significant creep observed at a fraction of the bulk yield strength

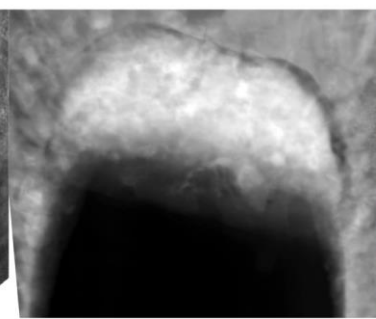
As-deposited Sample
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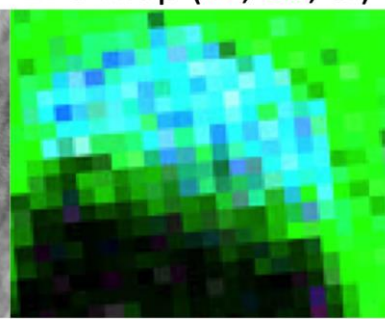
Post Creep Characterization
BF-TEM



ADF-STEM



EDS Map (W, Cu, Si)

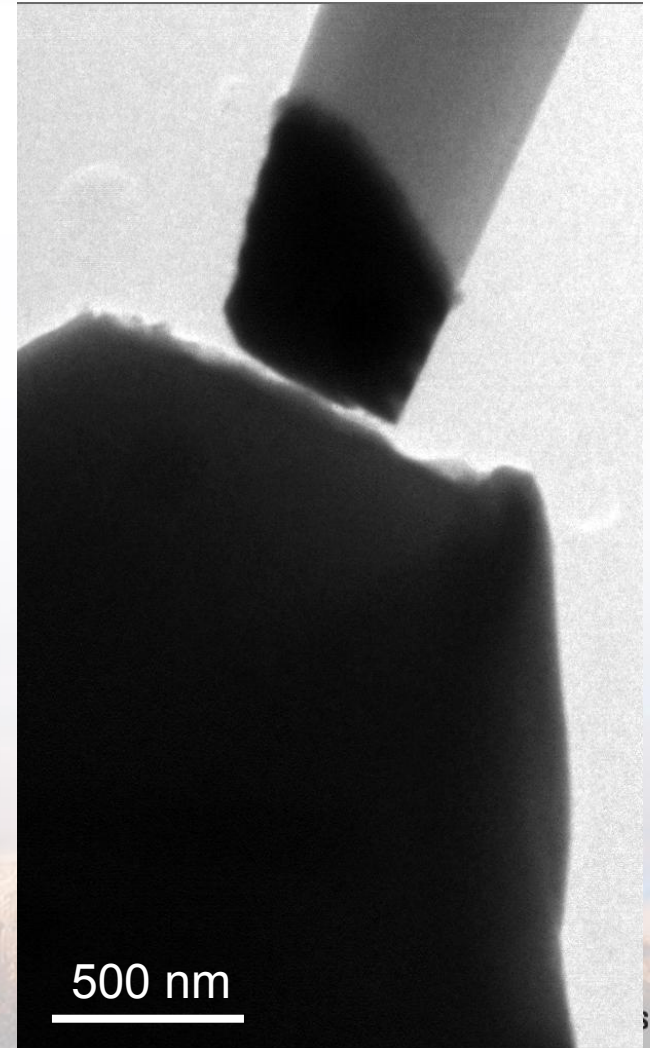
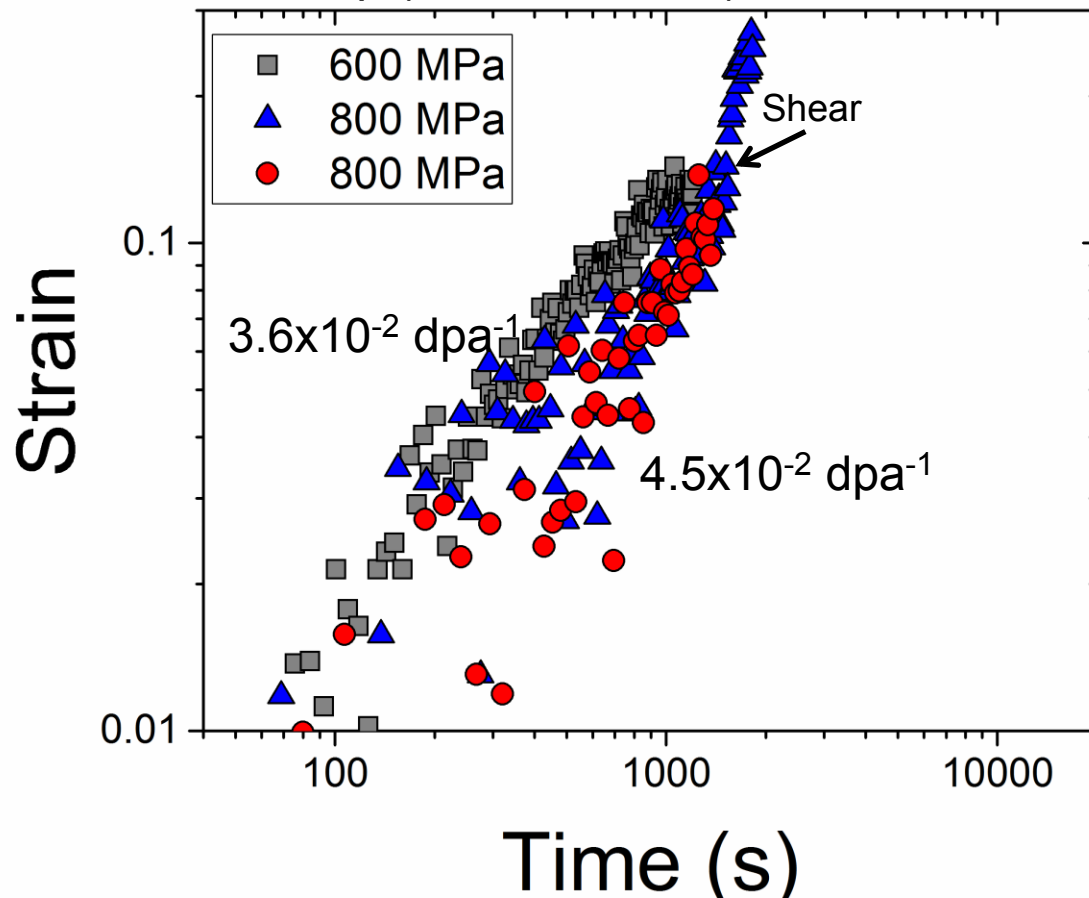


Compression (creep) only observed in Cu layer

Steady-State Irradiation Creep at Constant Load Cu-W

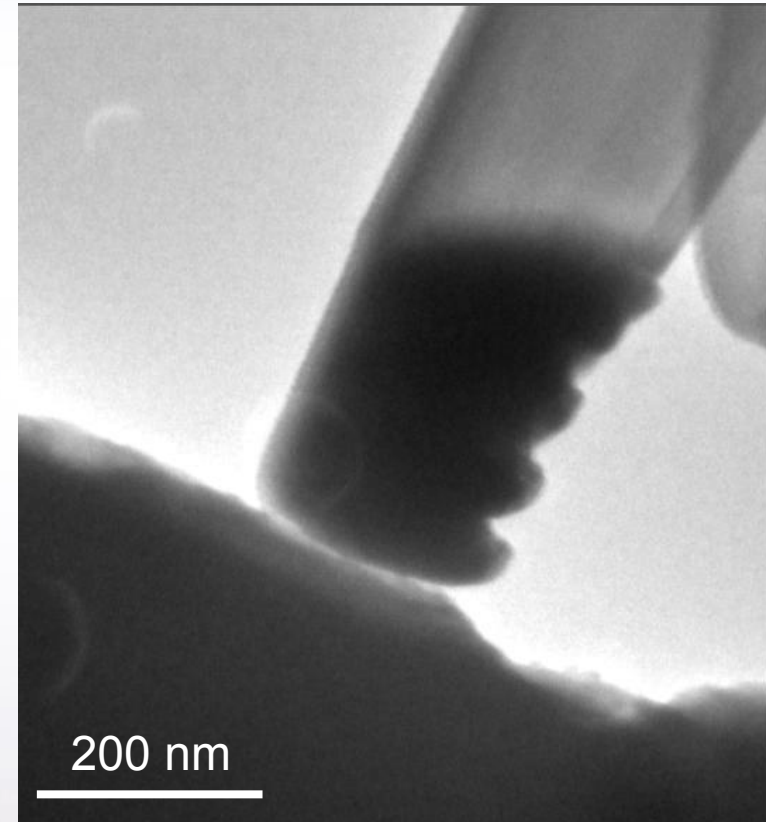
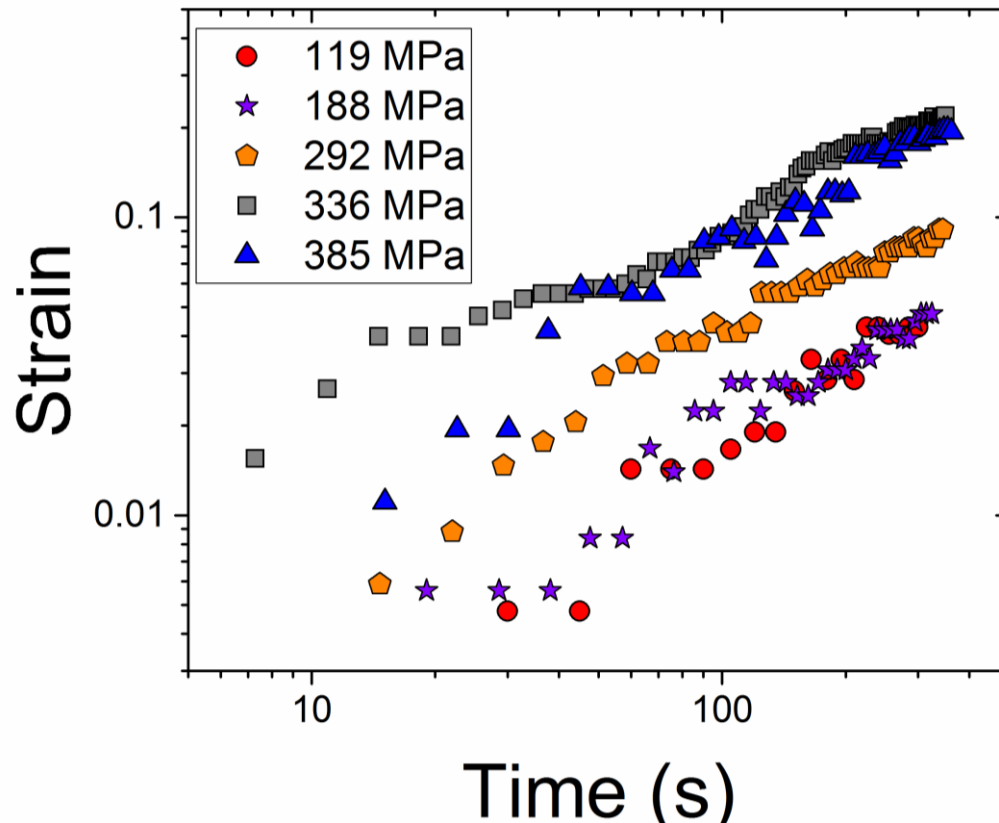
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Irradiation Creep (Constant Load)



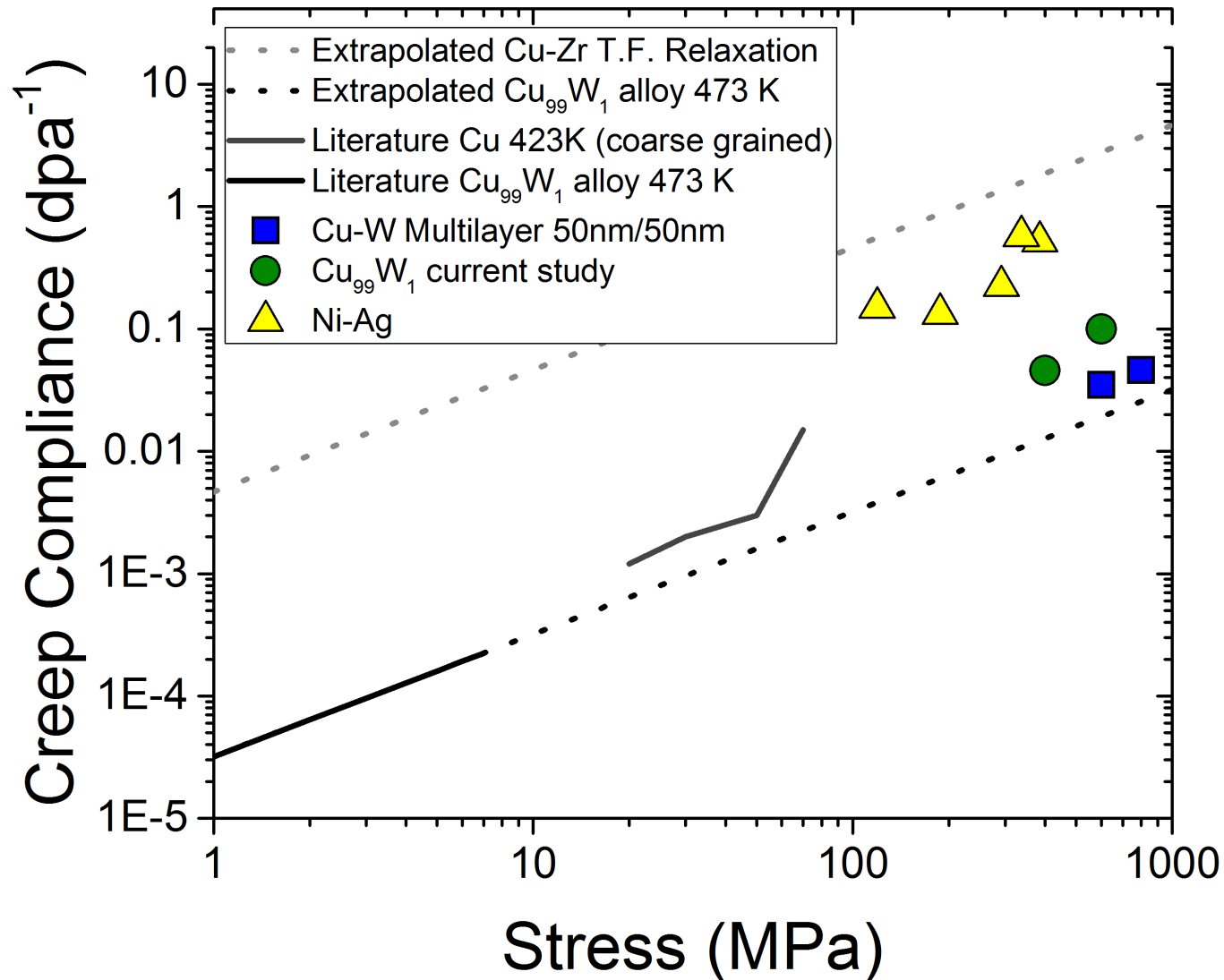
Ni-Ag Multilayer Irradiation Creep at Constant Load

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Comparison of Creep Data

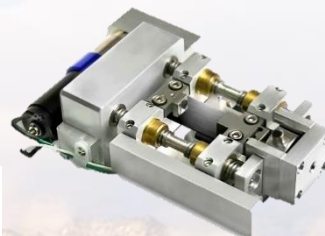
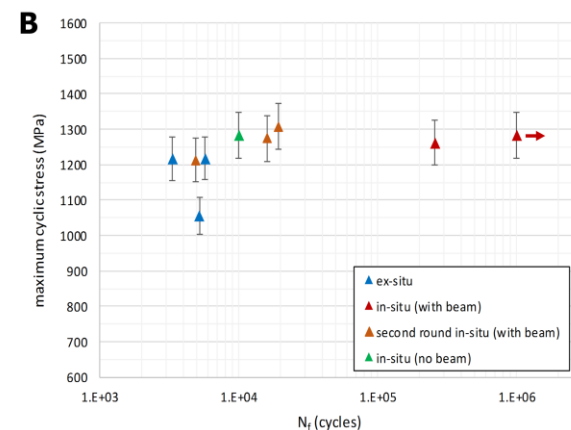
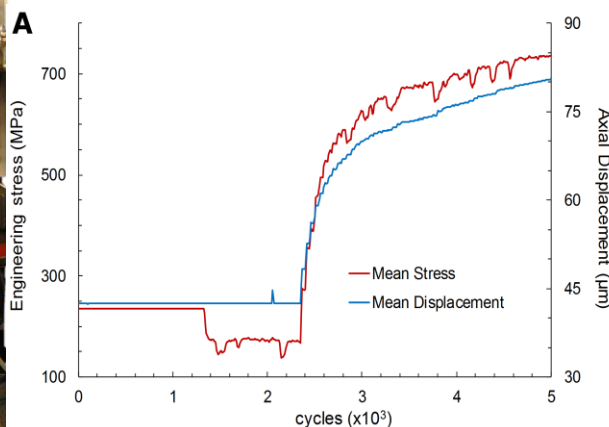
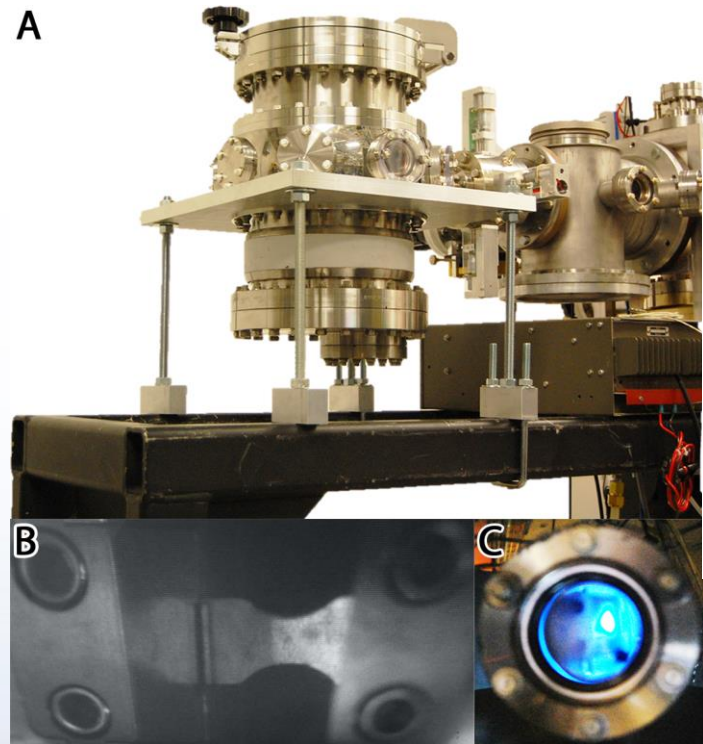
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Ex situ Mechanical Testing End Station

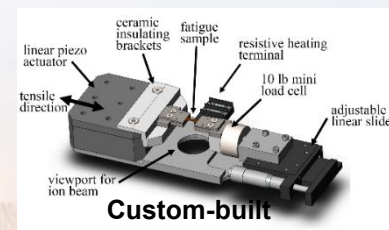
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- Combined three individual mechanical testing in tandem beamline end station
- Limited (optical, IR only) imaging capabilities
- Have successfully collected preliminary data using this system



MTI Fullam
Straining Heating

Hysitron PI85
Nanoindenter



Custom-built
Piezo Fatigue
tester



Gatan Cryostage



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In situ Ion Irradiation SEM (I³SEM) Vision

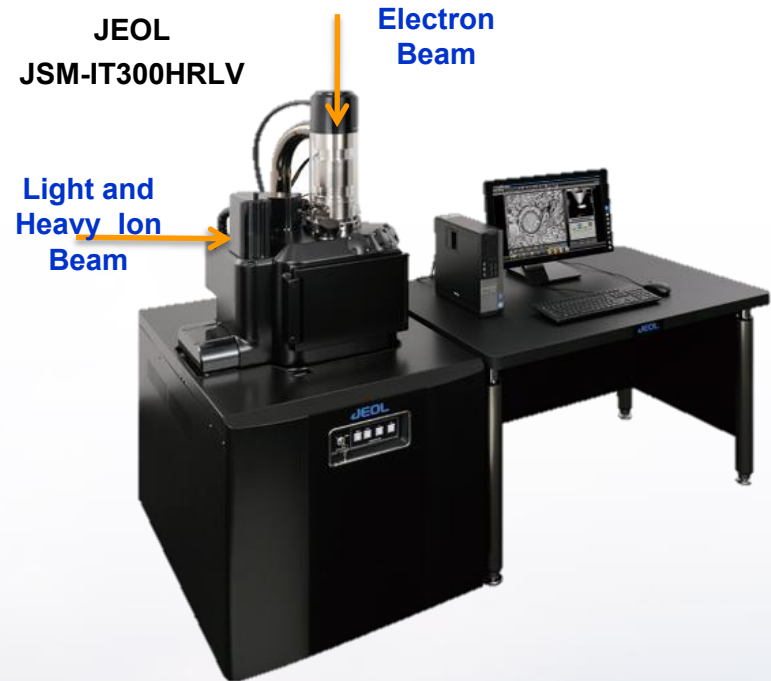
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In situ SEM by Design

- Field Emission Gun
- Energy 500 eV to 30 keV
- Resolution:
 - 30 kV 1.5 nm
 - 1 kV 4nm
- Mag 5x to 600kx
- Pressure 10-150 Pa
- Sample dimension: 200 mm diameter x 80 mm height
- 90 tilt and 360 rotation
- 12 Ports
- Hysitron PI-85
- MTI/Fullham Heating Straining Stage
- Custom Piezo Fatigue Stage

Proposed Future Capabilities

- Low Pressure BSED
- Heating Stage
- Peltier cooled Cryo stage
- High Speed EBSD
- High Speed EDS
- Low energy ion source
- PL/CL/IBIL
- FIB
- Hot/Warm Cell capability
- TKD/STEM detector
- 3D measurement software
- Liquid environments
- Gas injection
- Electron Lithography



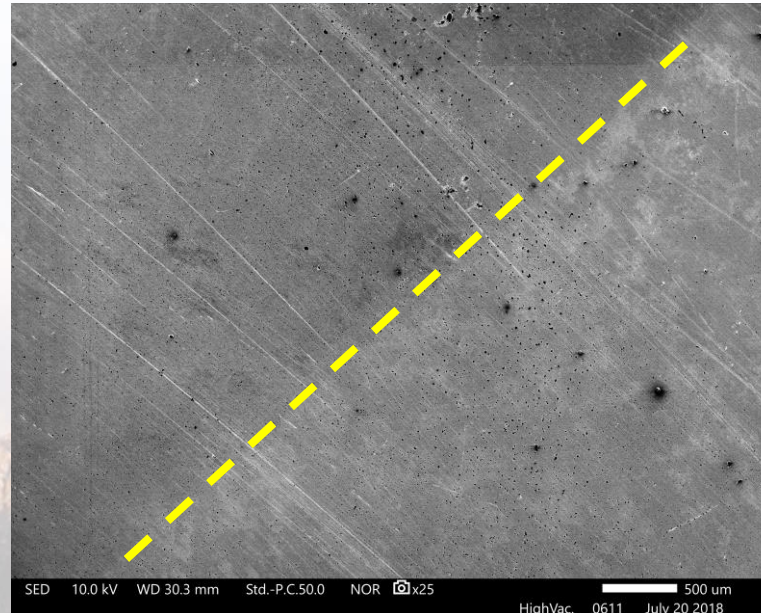
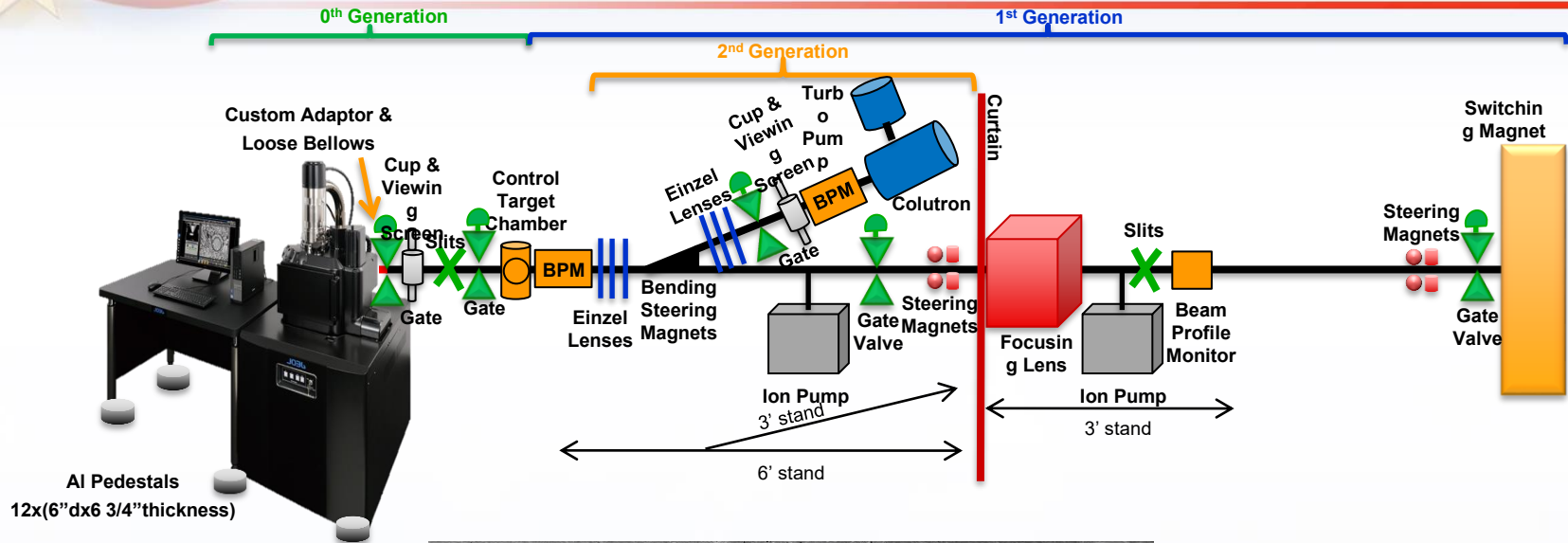
We are designing this to be the world's best *in situ* SEM for overlapping extreme environments



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Heavy Ion Design and Proof of Concept

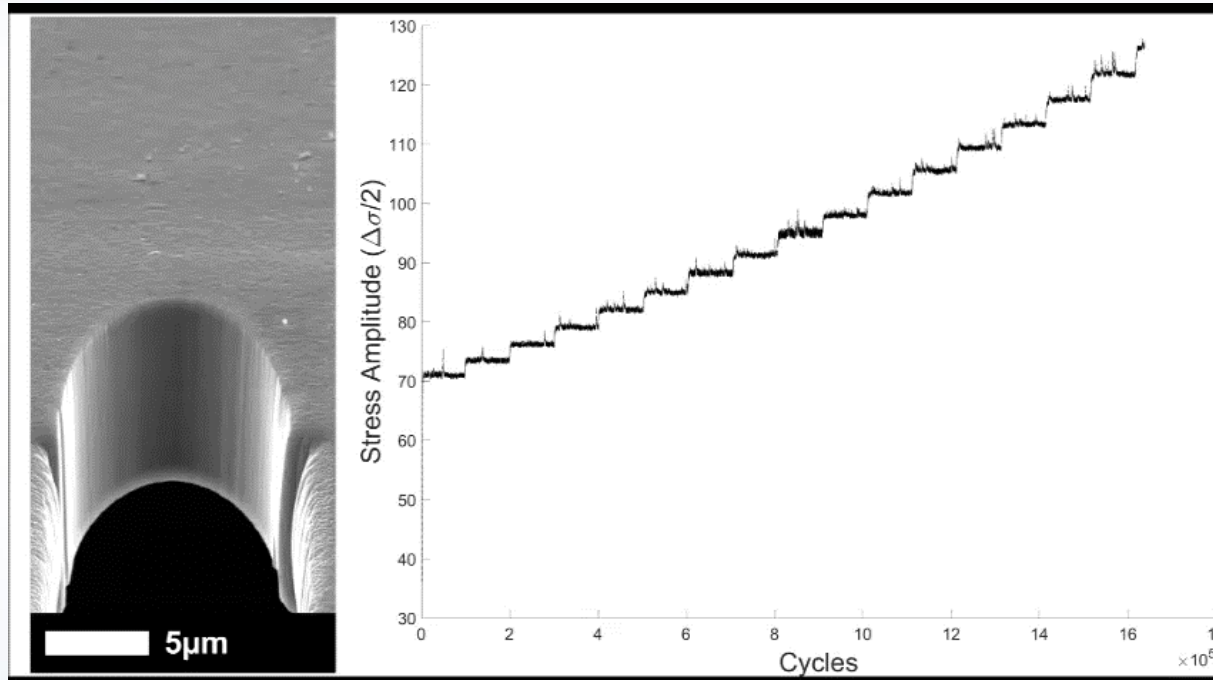
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¹³SEM planned for multiphase development. Ultimate plan is for multiple accelerators being attached for dual or triple beam experiments.

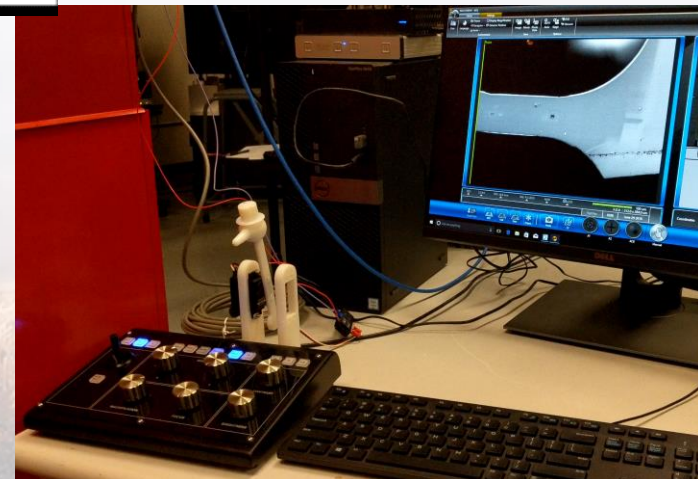
In situ High-cycle Fatigue

Collaborators: J.N. Heckman, B.L. Boyce,



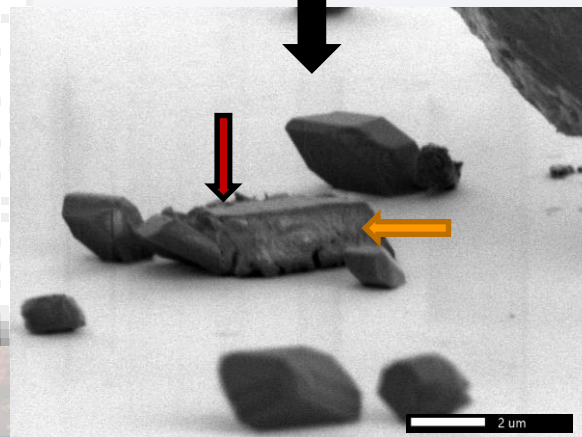
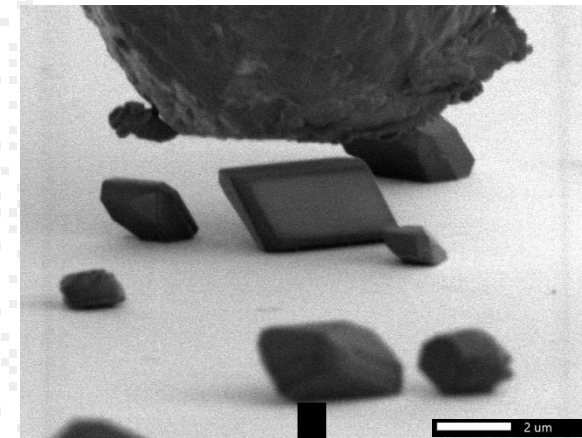
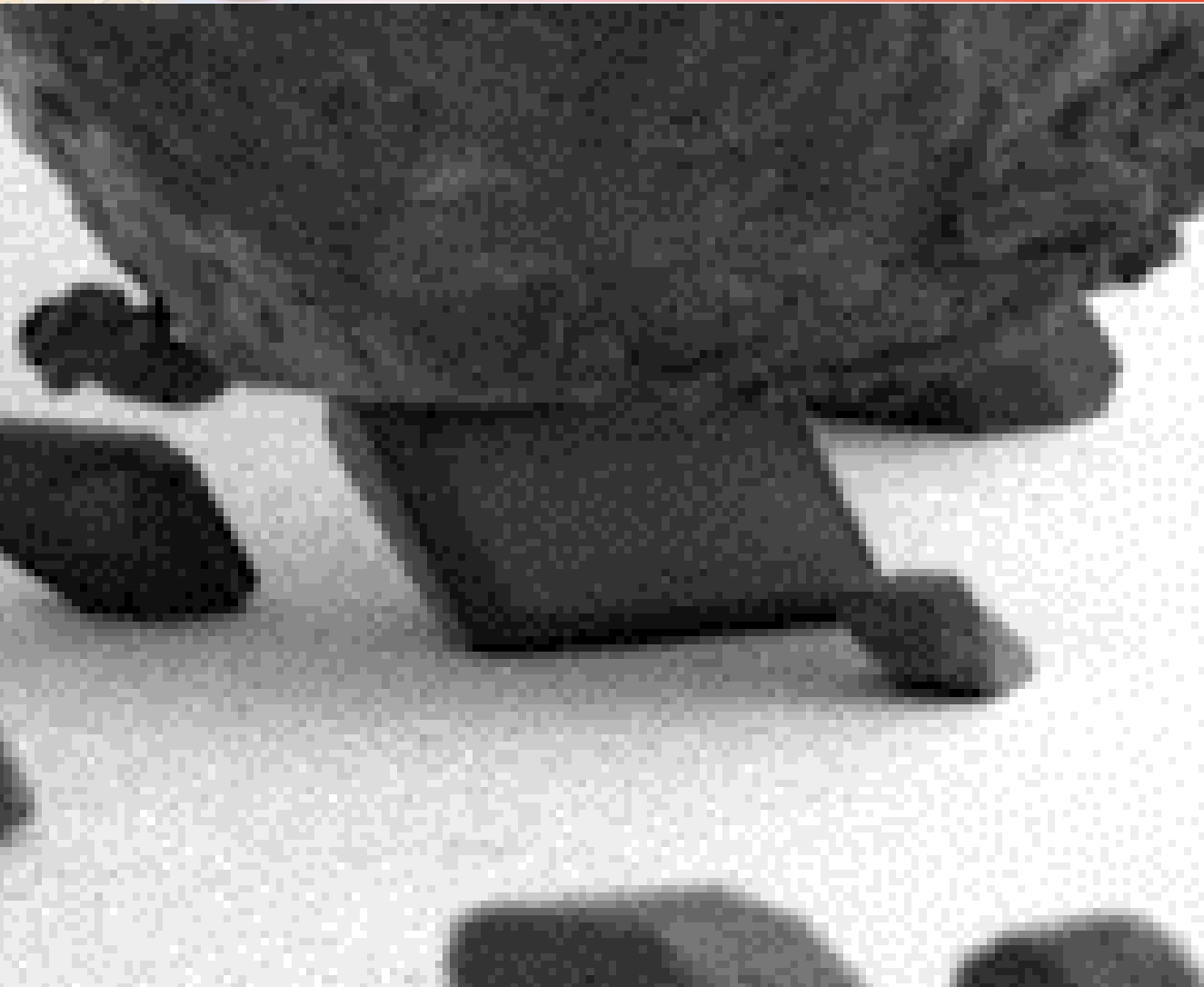
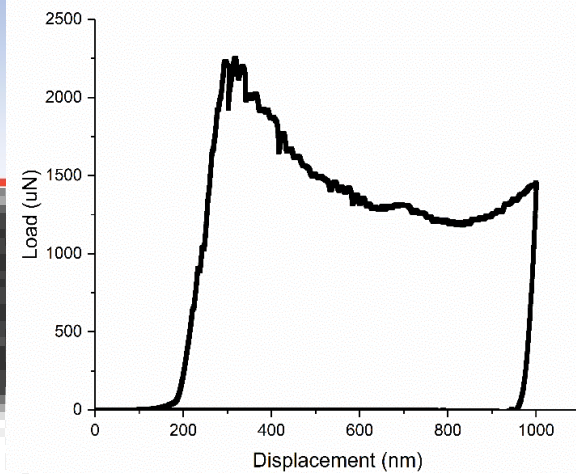
- Nanocrystalline Ni-40Fe, 10-60 nm grain size, 10 μm notch, imaged at 60°
- Cycled at 30 Hz, 4000 cycles between images

Direct insight into crack propagation and failure during cyclic loading



In situ Compression: Molecular Crystals

Collaborators: C.M. Barr, M. Cooper, D.C. Bufford, and J. Lechman



Displacement controlled fracture of molecular crystal

In situ Indentation: Ceramics

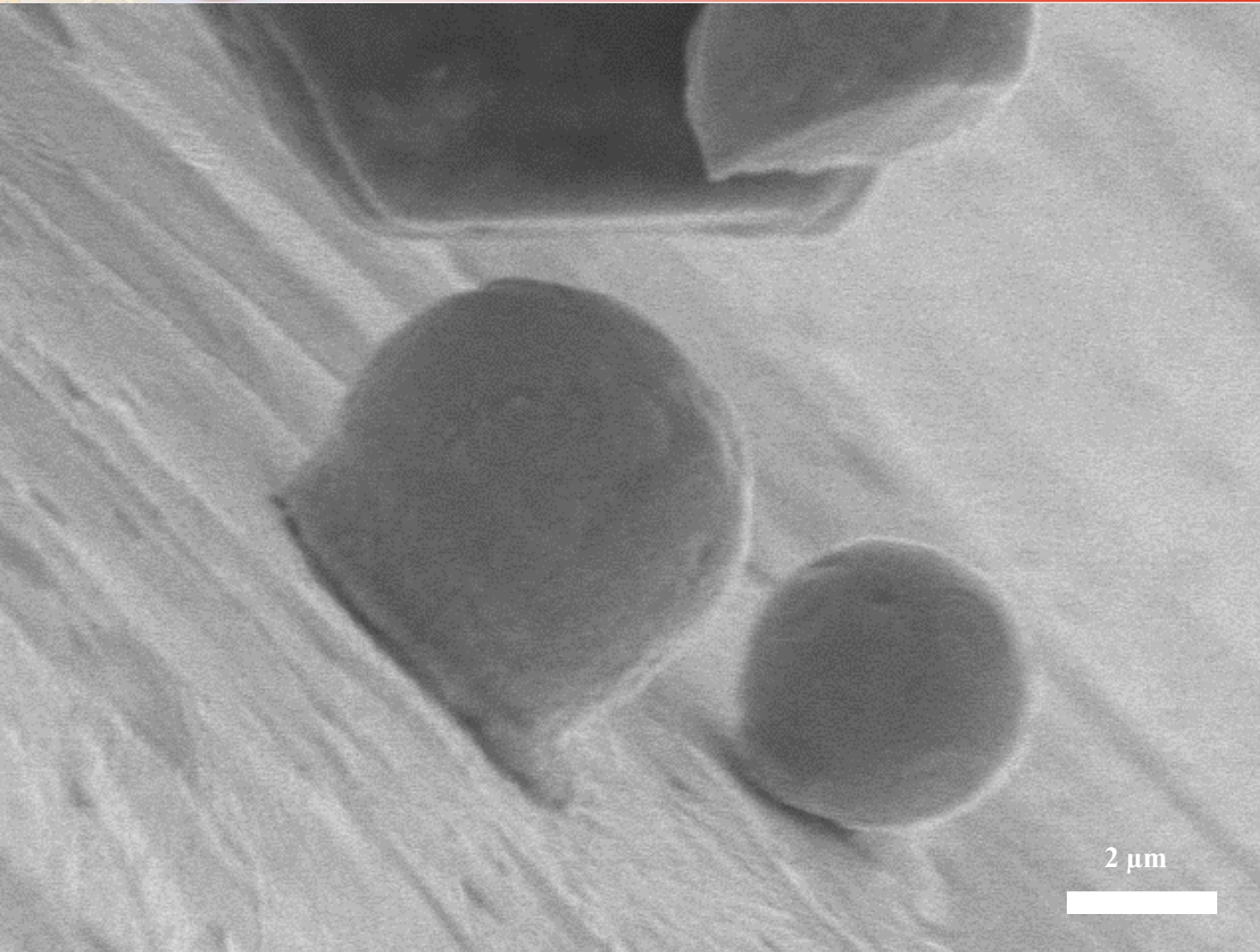
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Alumina
30 mN peak
load
3 mN/s load
rate
1x speed

2 μm

Angled *In situ* Compression: Steels

Collaborators: .N. Heckman, B.L. Boyce, B. Muntifering



Kovar
5 micron
displacement
0.5 micron/s
1x speed

Recently Installed High Speed EBSD and EDS

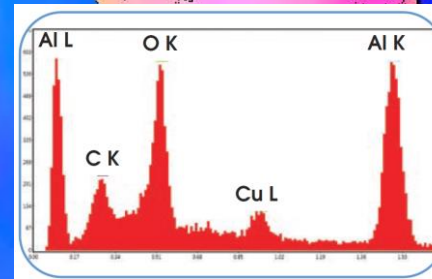
- EDAX Velocity™ EBSD Camera
 - ♦ Capable of fast acquisition (> 3000 indexed points per second)
 - ♦ High signal-to-noise ratio, phosphor screen optimized for high speed collection

Enables study of grain growth/evolution during irradiation, heating and straining experiments



45 μ m

- EDAX Octane Elite EDS System
 - High light element sensitivity
 - High count & throughput rates

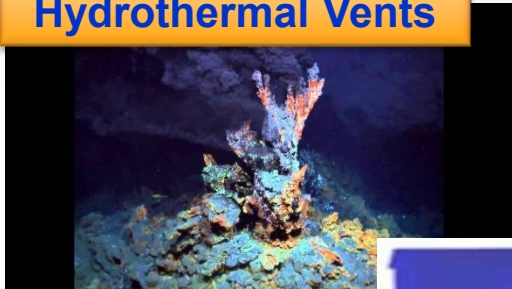


Allows for analysis of precipitates, solute segregation, and phase ID



Future Vision: Testing Greater Extremes in the TEM

Hydrothermal Vents



Advanced Manufacturing



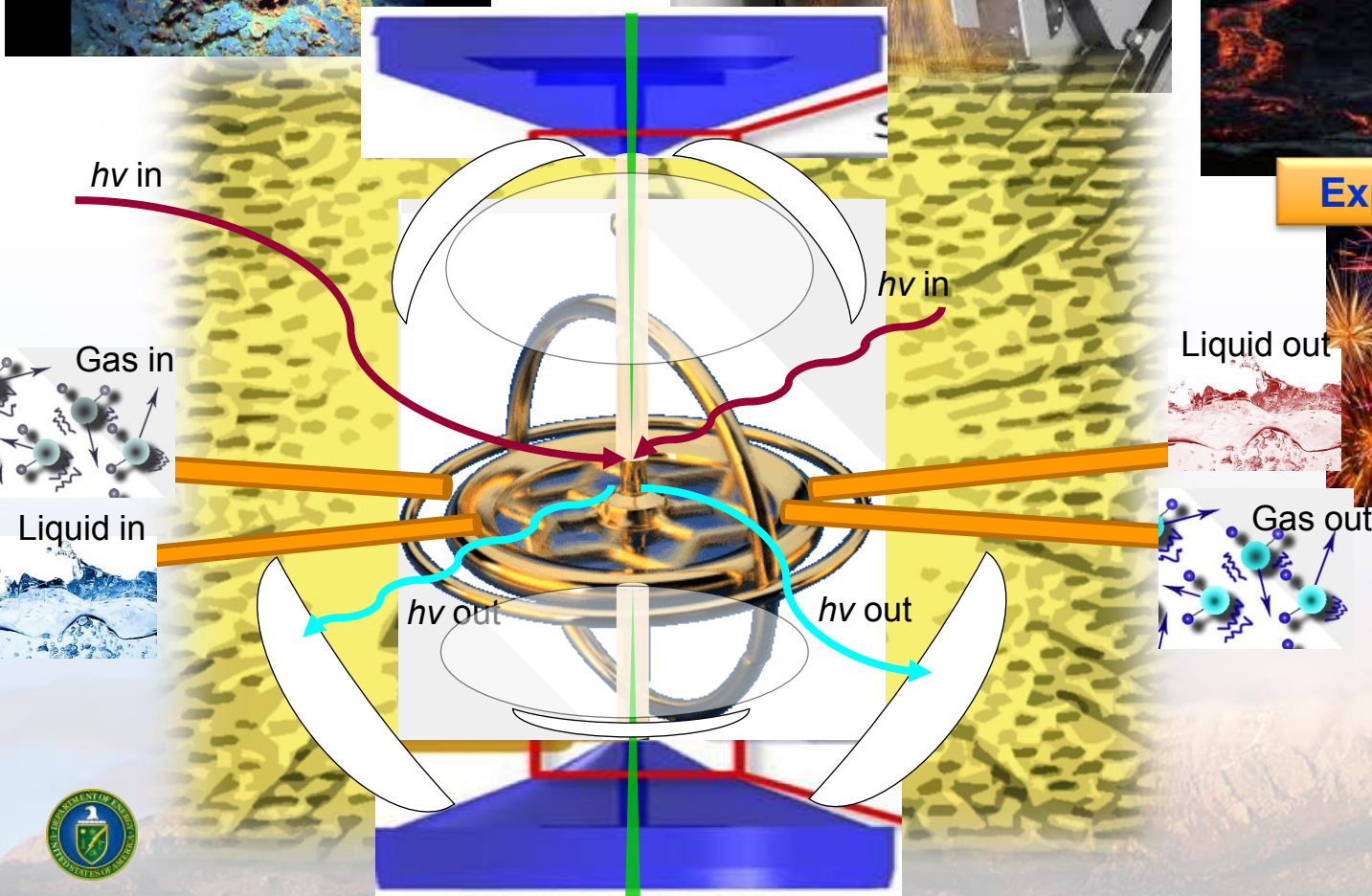
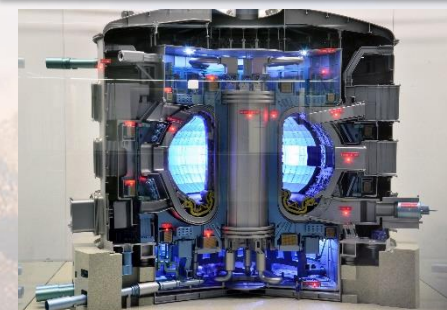
Volcanic Activity



Explosions



Fusion Reactor



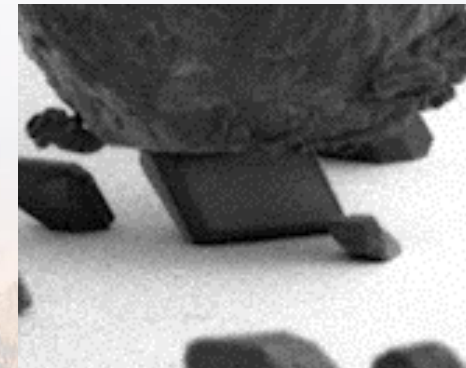
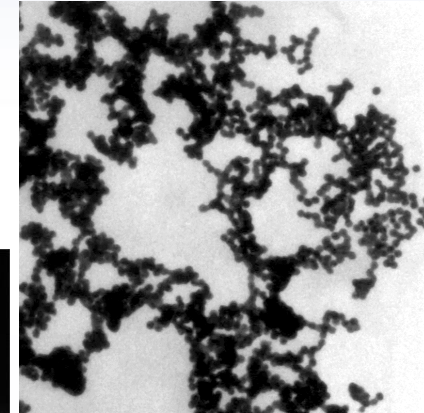
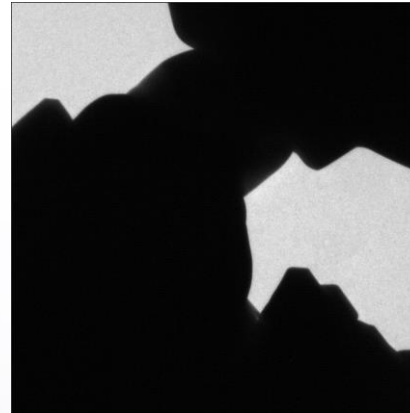


Unconventional *In situ* Microscopy Creates a Wealth of Possibilities



- Plethora of extreme environments that have not been fully explored.
- Utilizing the TEM as an experimental chamber provides a range of nanoscale extreme environments.
- Combining extreme conditions opens up the ability more complex real world applications.
- ACOM and other analytical techniques coupled with *in situ* observations provides a nice bridge to MD and mesoscale modeling.
- If you would like to hear about the I³SEM let me know

The future is bright and fastly approaching for coupled *in situ* TEM



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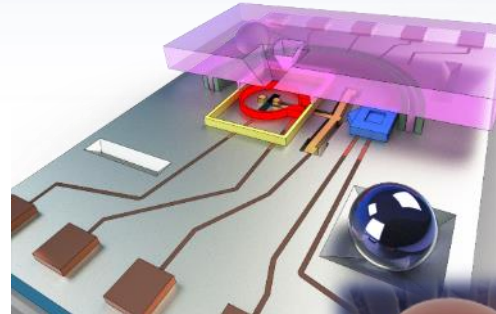
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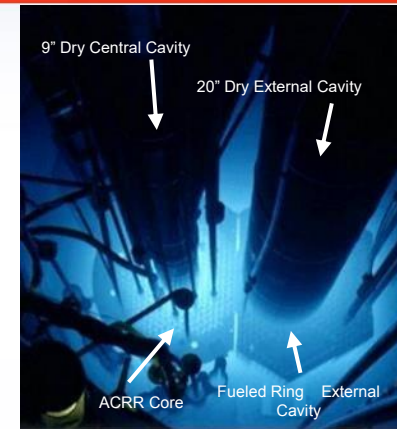
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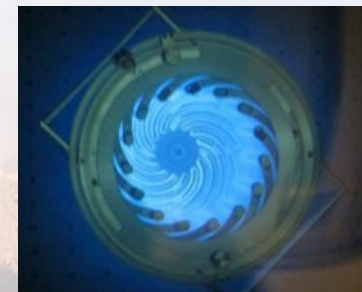


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