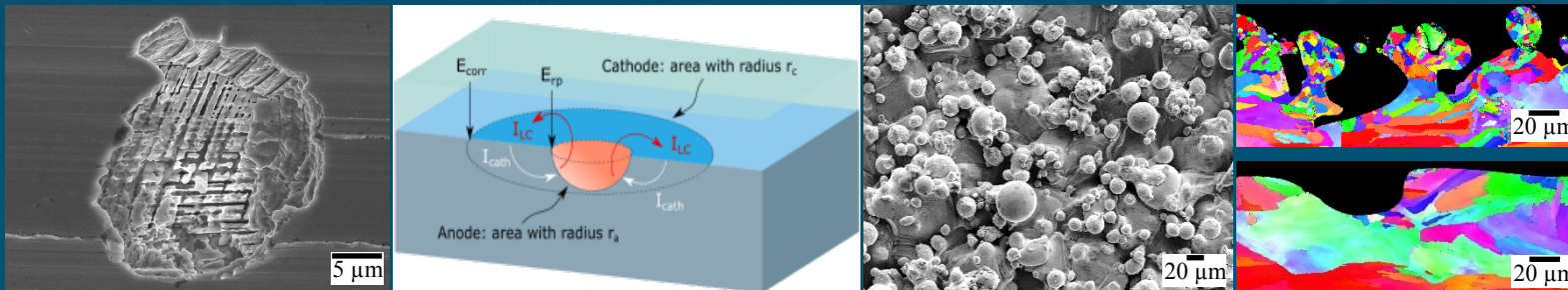
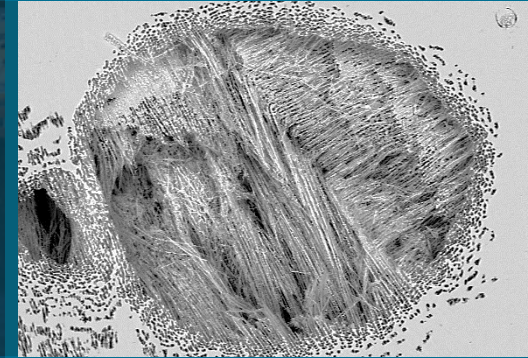




Atmospheric Corrosion Of Laser Powder Bed Fusion 316L Stainless Steel



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Background - Powder metal additively manufactured (AM) microstructures

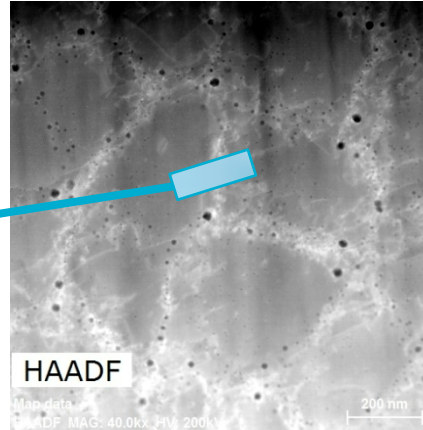
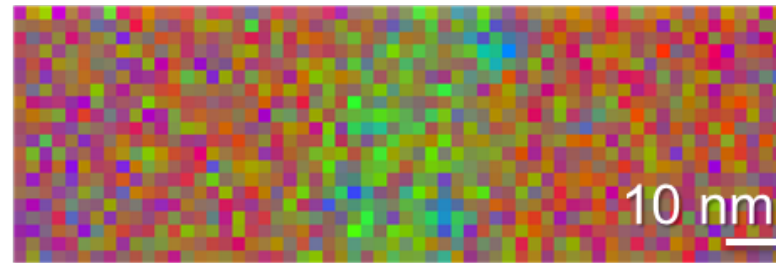
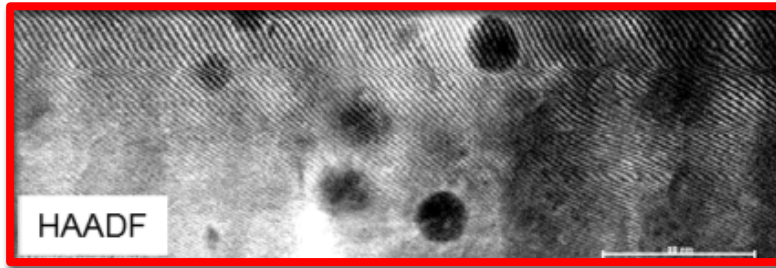
Chemical heterogeneities

Cell walls decorated with oxides

Matrix

Cell Boundary

Matrix



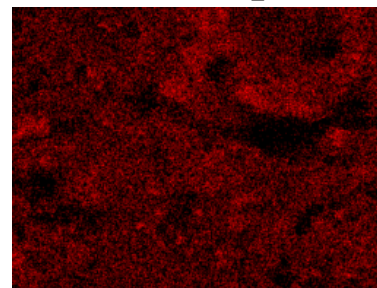
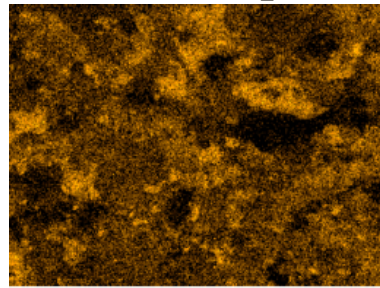
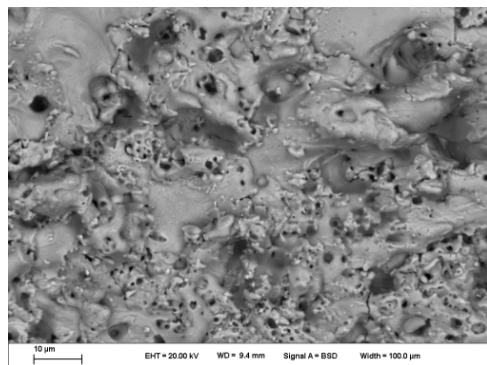
- Increased Fe (+ 9%)
- Increased Si
- Increased Cr (+ 4%)

Adapted from Schaller, 2018

Recast layer from a part removed with wire EDM

Cu map

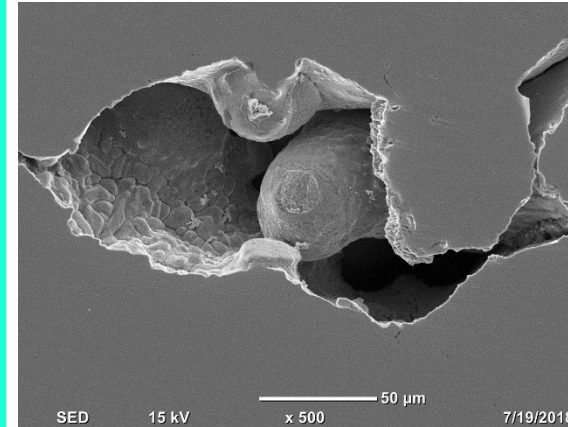
Zn map



Cu and Zn penetrate 5 to 10 μm deep.

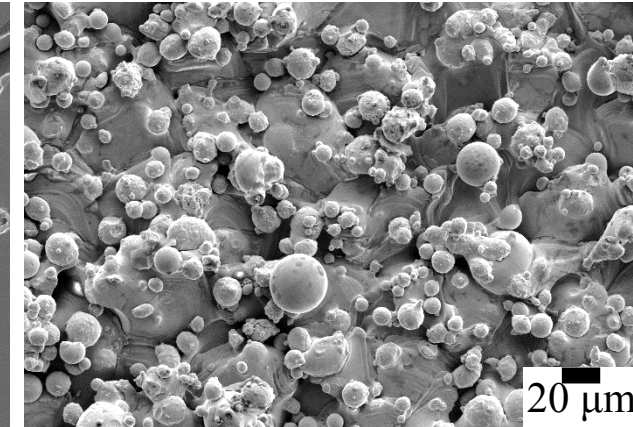
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Porosity



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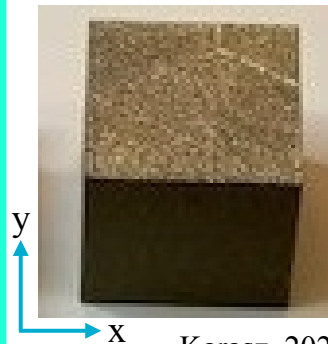
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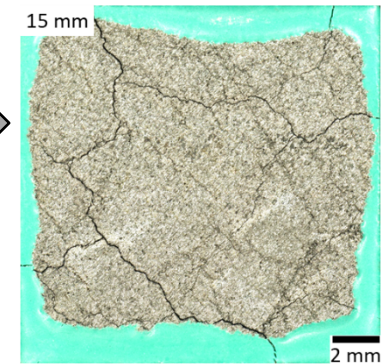
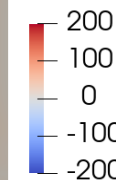
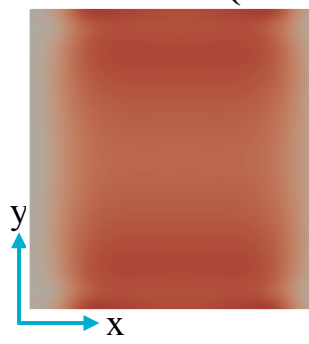
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Residual stress of 316L cubes

Stress XX (MPa)



Karasz, 2021



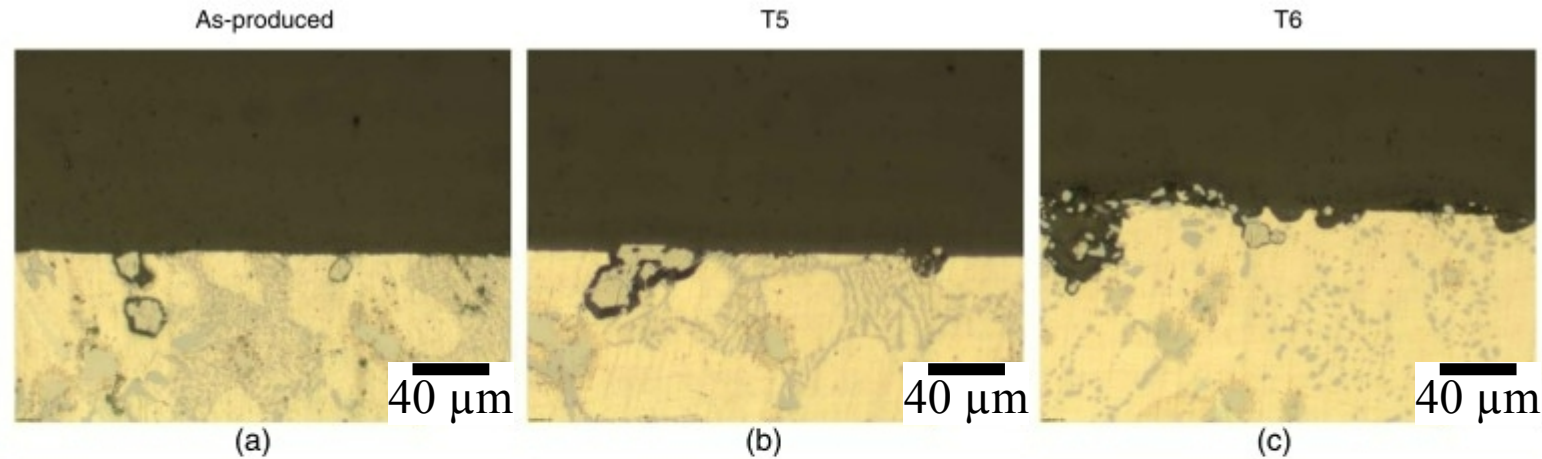
Leads to susceptibility to stress corrosion cracking

Background – AM Al-10Si-Mg exposed to ASTM G85-A2

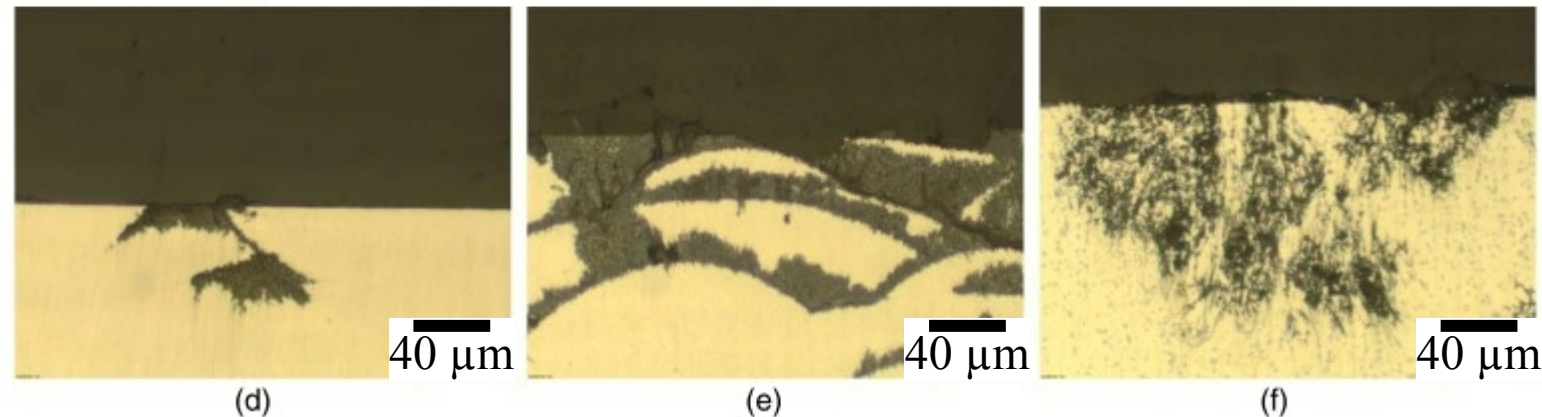


Cross-section images after 31 days of ASTM G85-A2 exposures

Cast Al-10Si-Mg

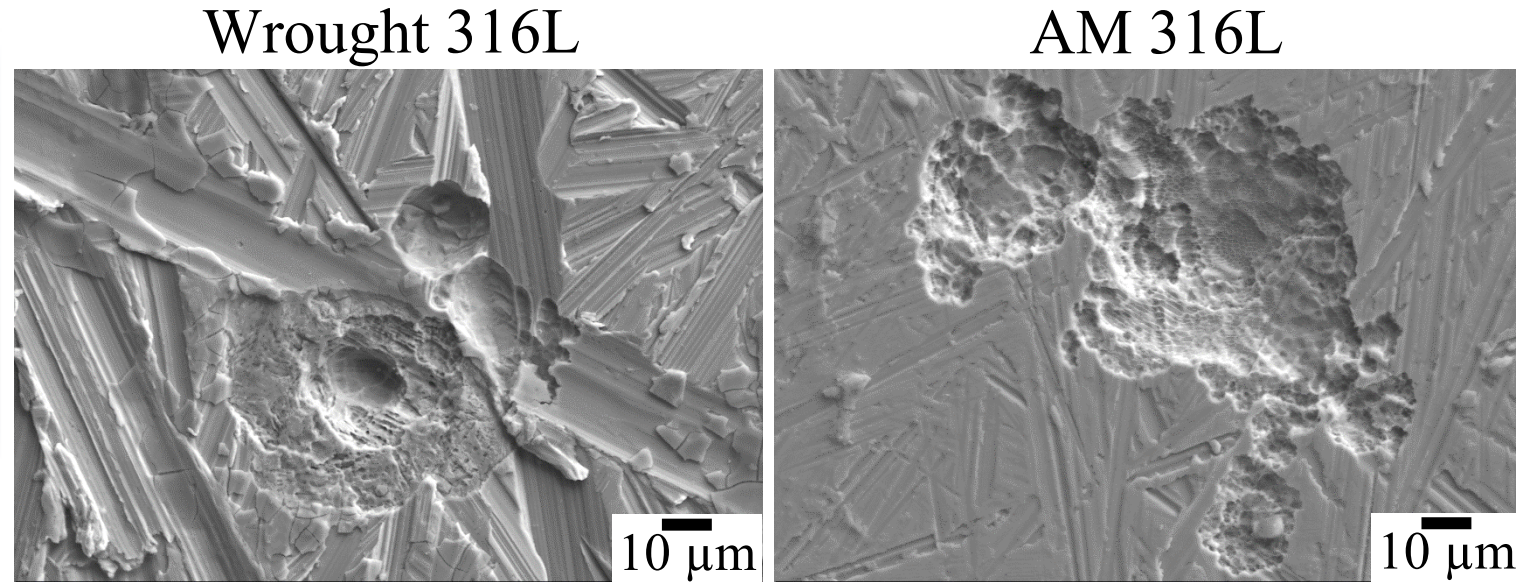
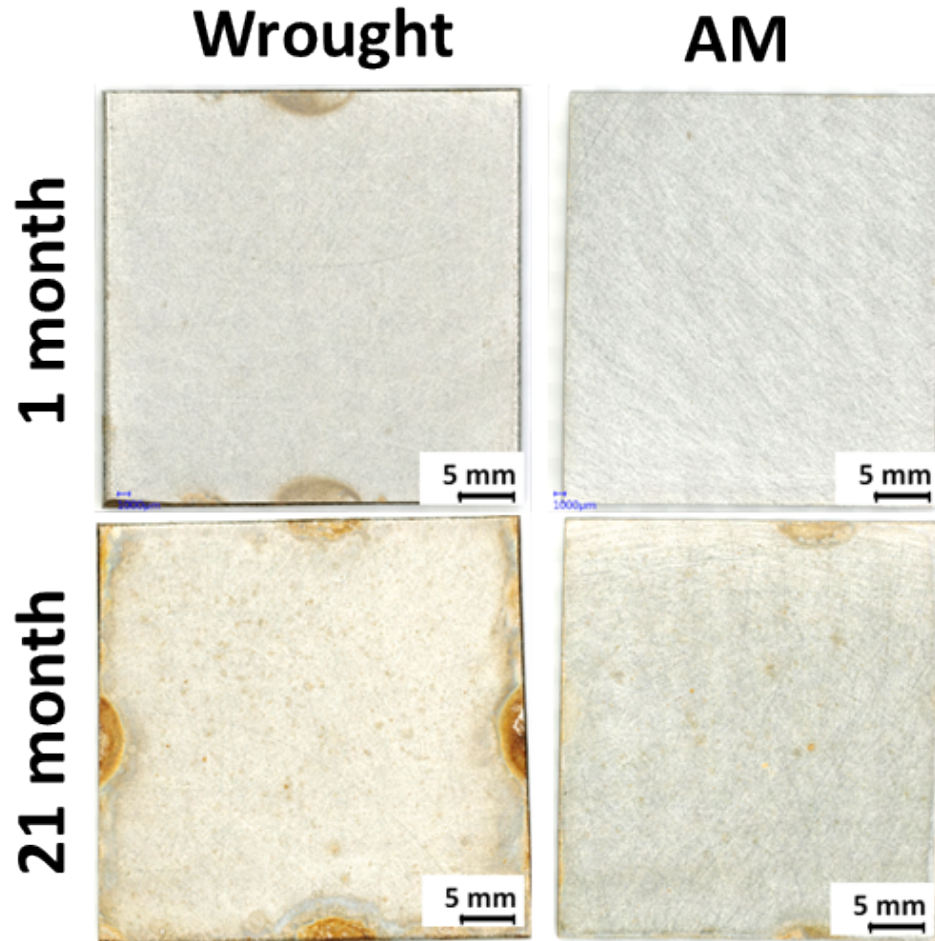


AM Al-10Si-Mg



- Corrosion damage morphology was dictated by AM microstructure. They hypothesize that melt pool boundaries act as barriers to corrosion propagation.
- Maximum corrosion depth was greater for AM compared to cast.

Background – Coastal exposures of AM 304L/316L



Salt loading: $26 \pm 18 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2/\text{day}$

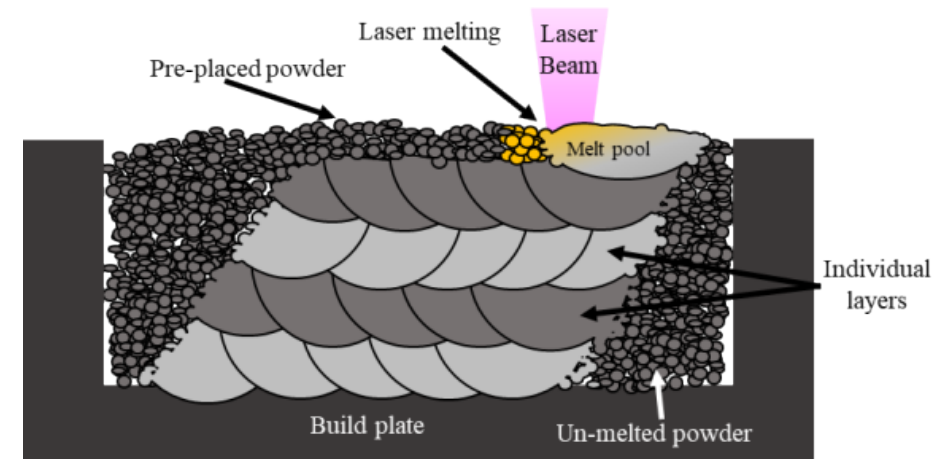
- The pit morphology for AM 316L showed significant preferential corrosion attack of the cellular microstructure, the cell boundaries were not as vulnerable.
- Pit depth of AM samples were smaller than wrought samples (often larger pit density).

What will we go over in this talk?



- Constant humidity and contamination exposures of **ground surfaces** for wrought and powder bed fusion (PBF) 316L.
 - Pit morphologies.
 - Pit statistic analysis.
- Explore corrosion behavior of **as-printed** 316L parts when exposed to the accelerated corrosion test, ASTM G85-A2.

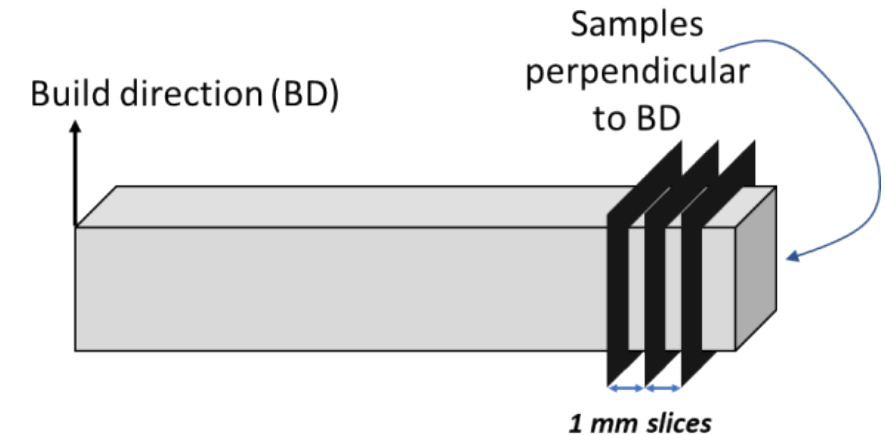
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Constant humidity/contamination exposures



Alloy type	Rel. Hum. (%)		Salt loading ($\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$)		Salt		Build	
	76	40	20	300	NaCl	ASW*	Parallel	Perpendicular
304AM	X		X		X			X
	X			X	X			X
	X			X		X		X
	X		X			X		X
		X		X		X		X
		X	X			X		X
		X		X		X	X	
316AM	X		X		X			X
	X			X	X			X
	X			X		X		X
	X		X			X		X
		X		X		X		X
		X	X			X		X
		X		X		X	X	
304W	X		X		X		N/A	
	X			X	X			
	X			X		X		
	X		X			X		
		X		X		X		
		X	X			X		
316W	X		X		X			
	X			X	X			
	X			X		X		
	X		X			X		
		X		X		X		
		X	X			X		



ASW composition	
Composition	Concentration (g/L)
NaCl	24.53
$\text{MgCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	5.20
Na_2SO_4	4.09
CaCl_2	1.16
KCl	0.695
NaHCO_3	0.201
KBr	0.101
H_3BO_3	0.027
$\text{SrCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.025
NaF	0.003

*Artificial Sea Water (ASW)

All samples polished to **600 grit prior to salt deposition.

***Held at **35°C** for all atmospheric exposures.

We will mostly show results from 316L material at 40% RH and 300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ASW. (UUR)

Optical images of 316L specimen with $300\text{ }\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ASW at 40% RH



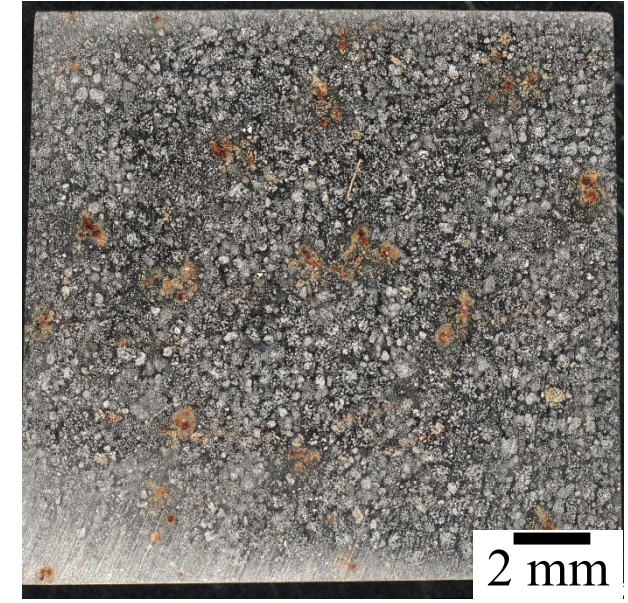
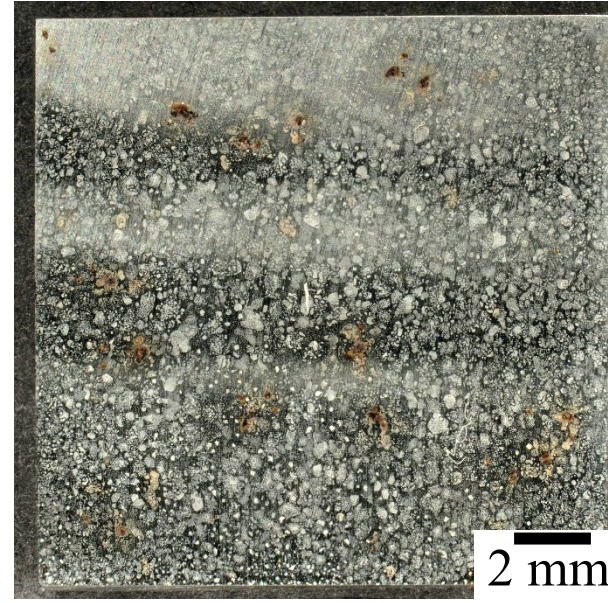
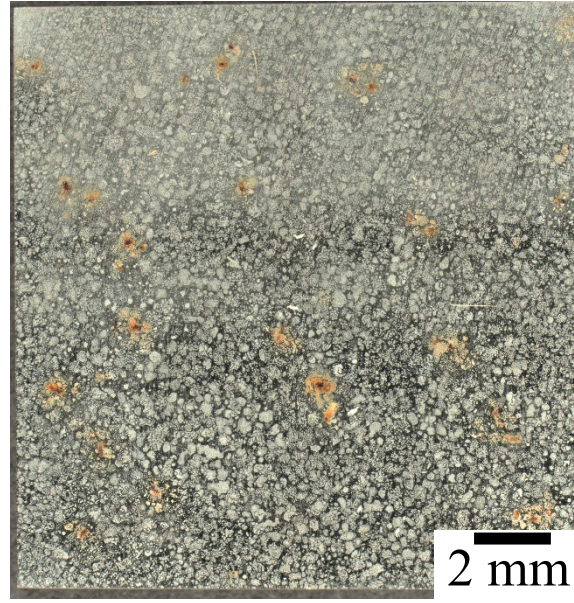
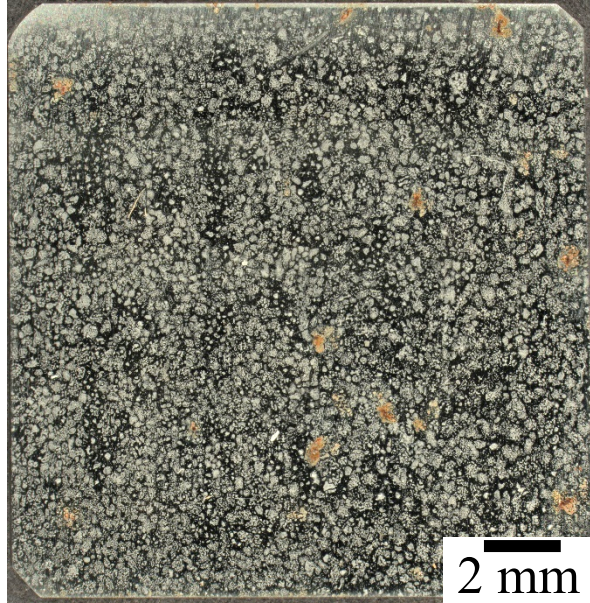
Wrought

1 week

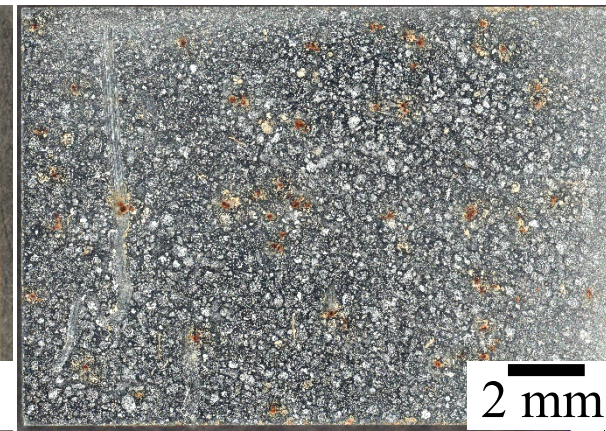
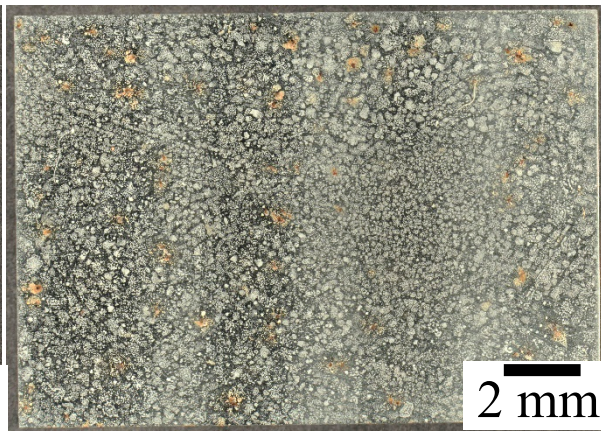
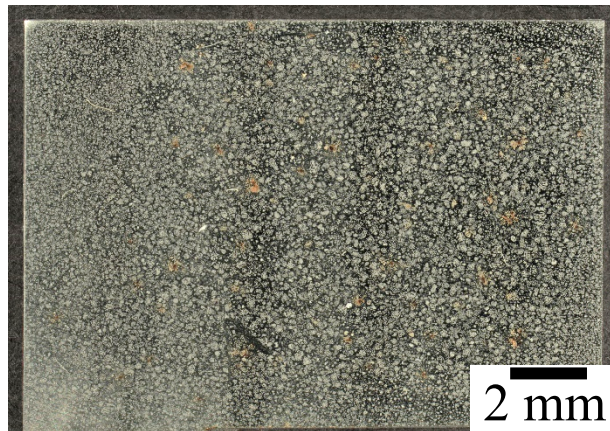
1 month

6 month

12 month



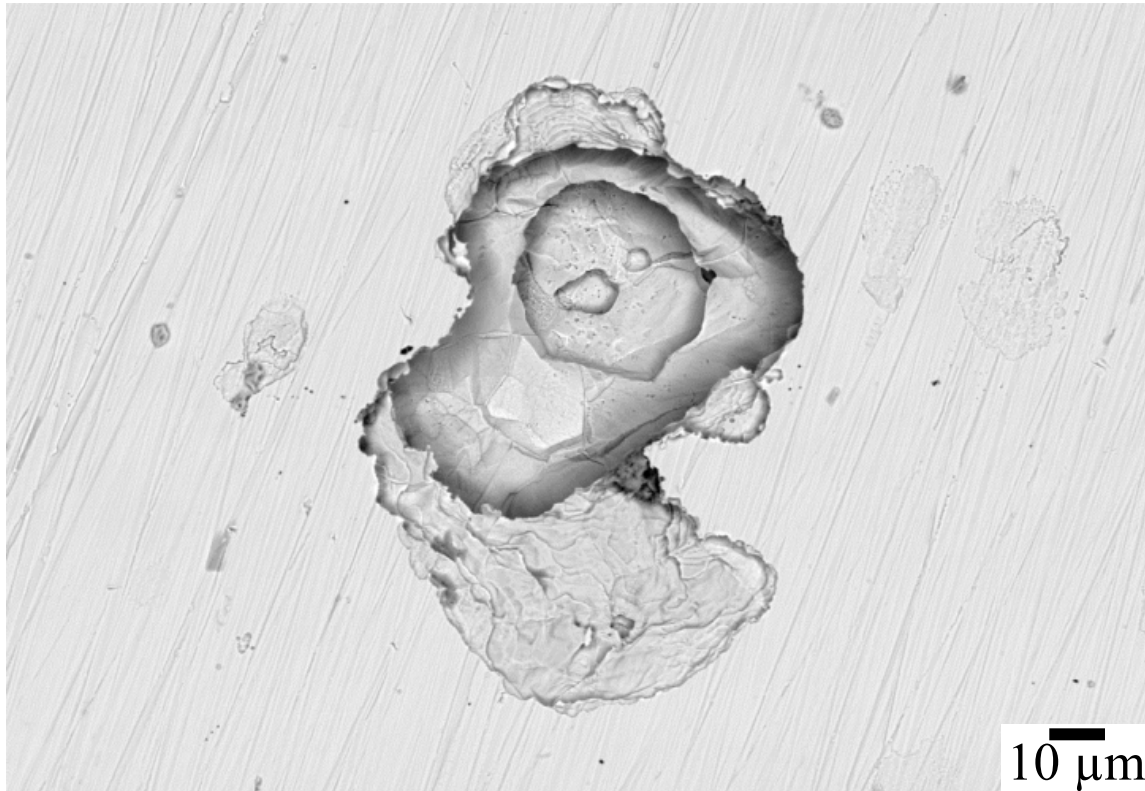
AM



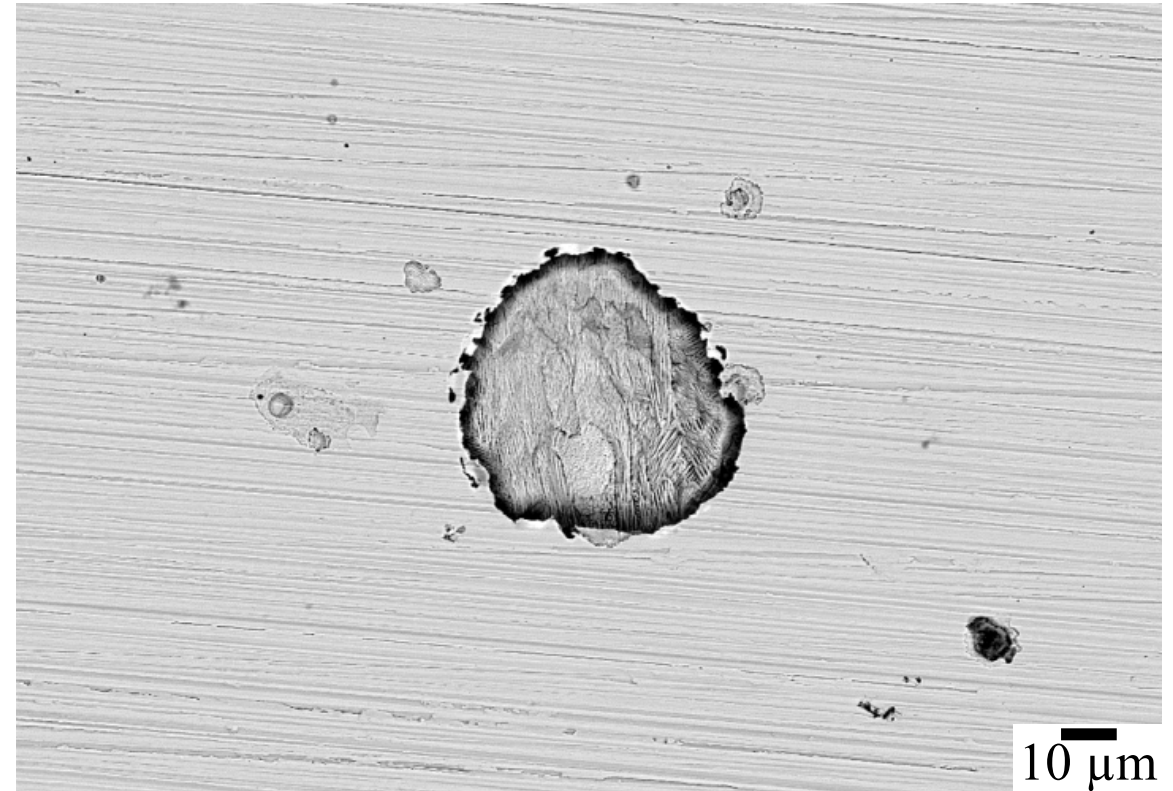
9 SEM images of 316L specimen with $300 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ASW at 40% RH



Wrought



AM

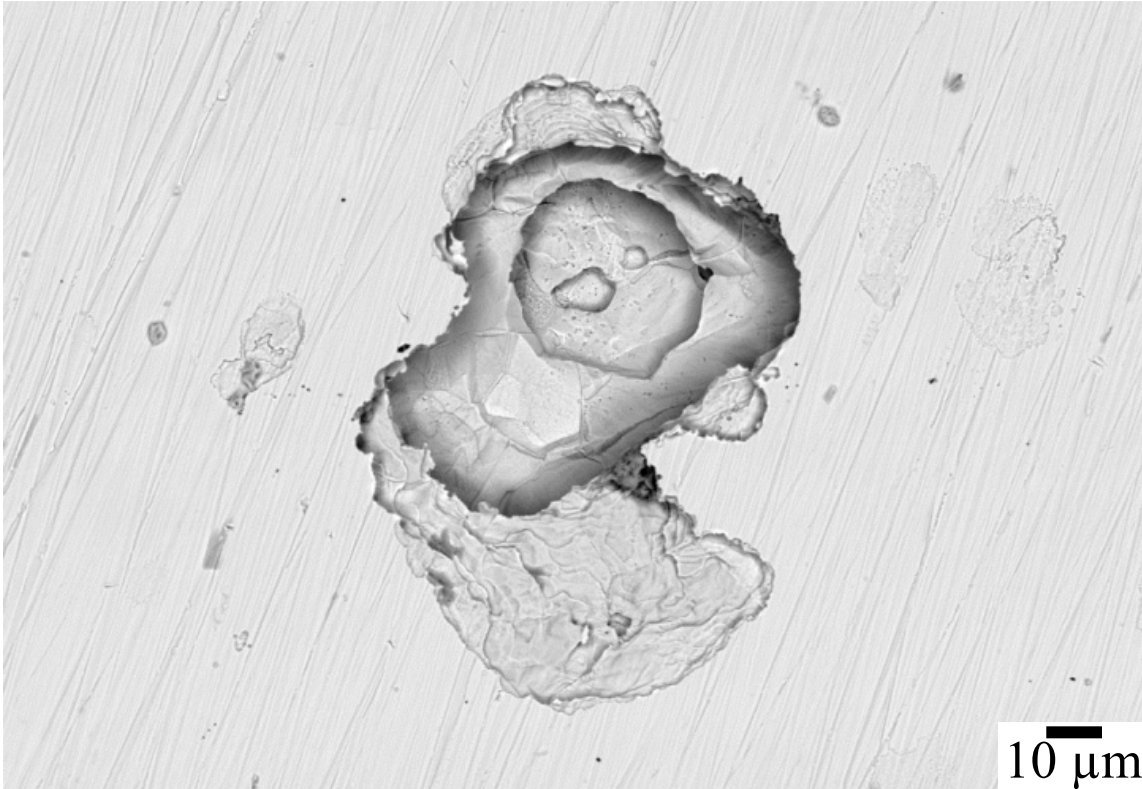


Cleaned surfaces with nitric acid solution.

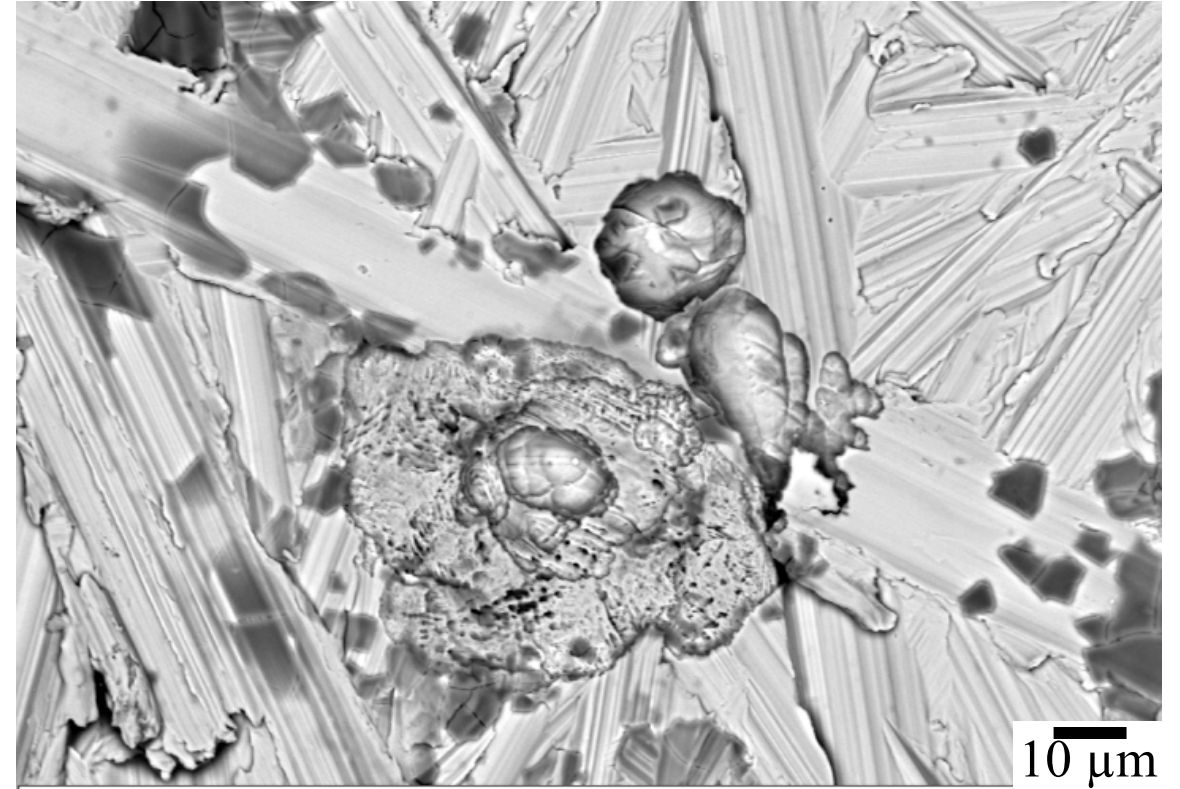
SEM images of Wrought 316L specimen - Comparison



40% RH - 300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ of ASW



From 21 month exposure off coast of Florida

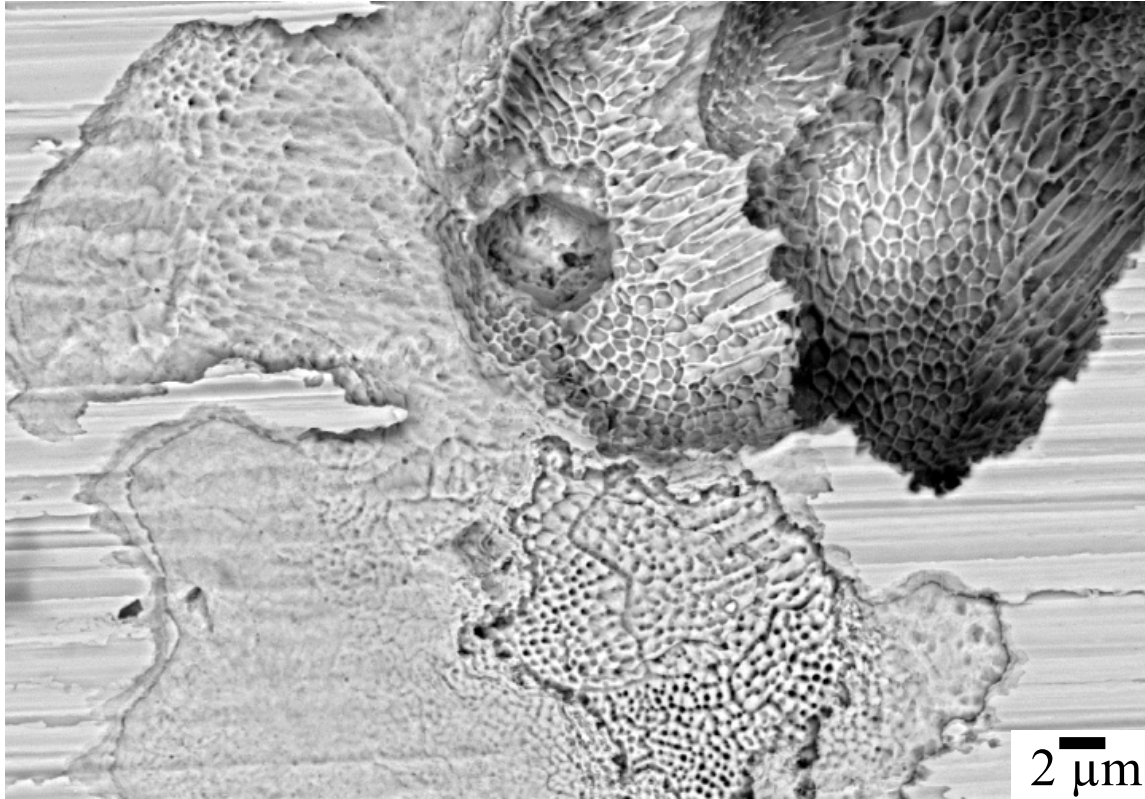


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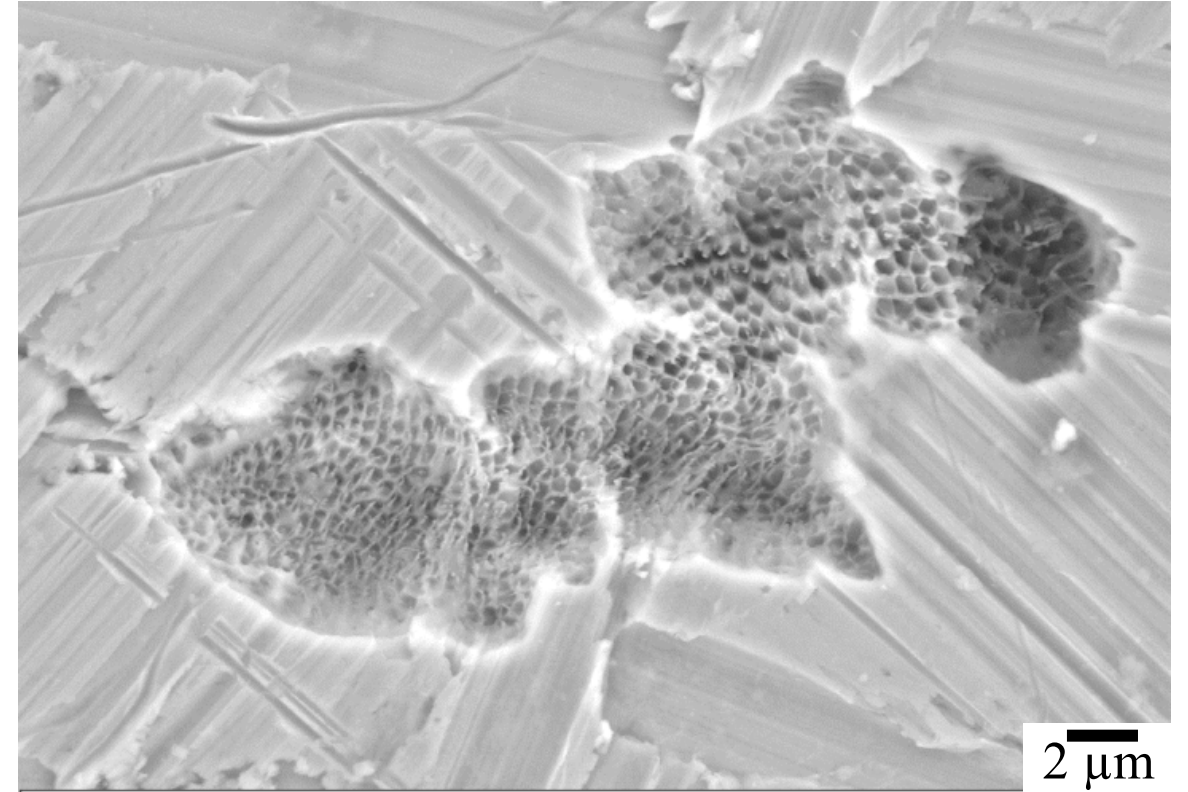
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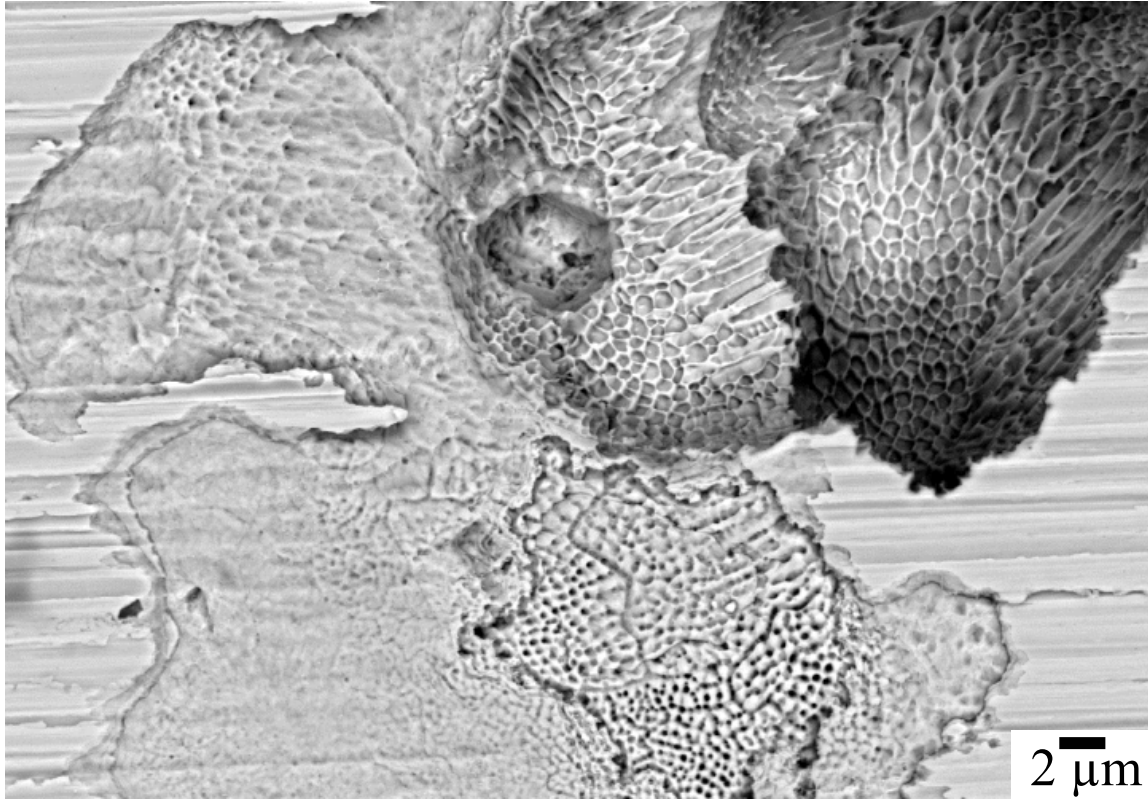


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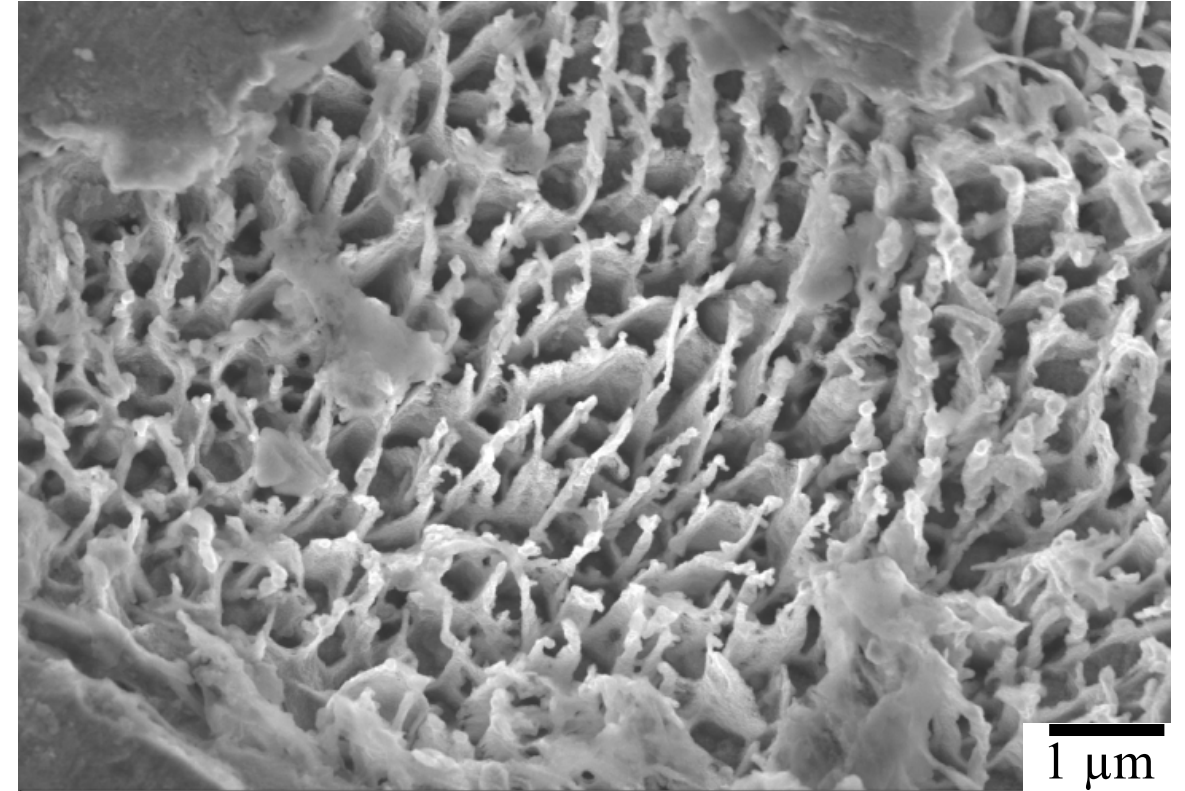
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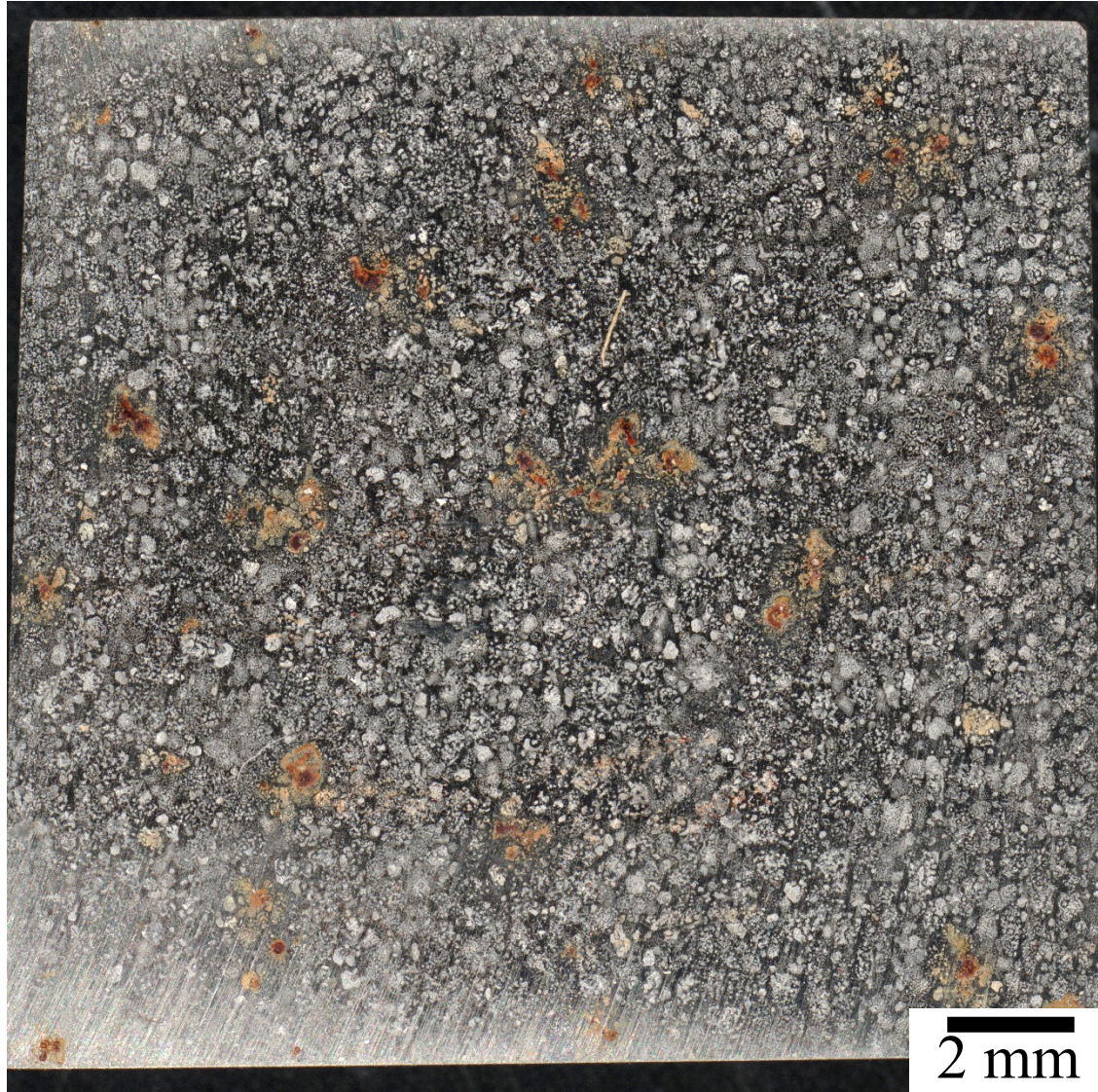
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Pit Analysis Process



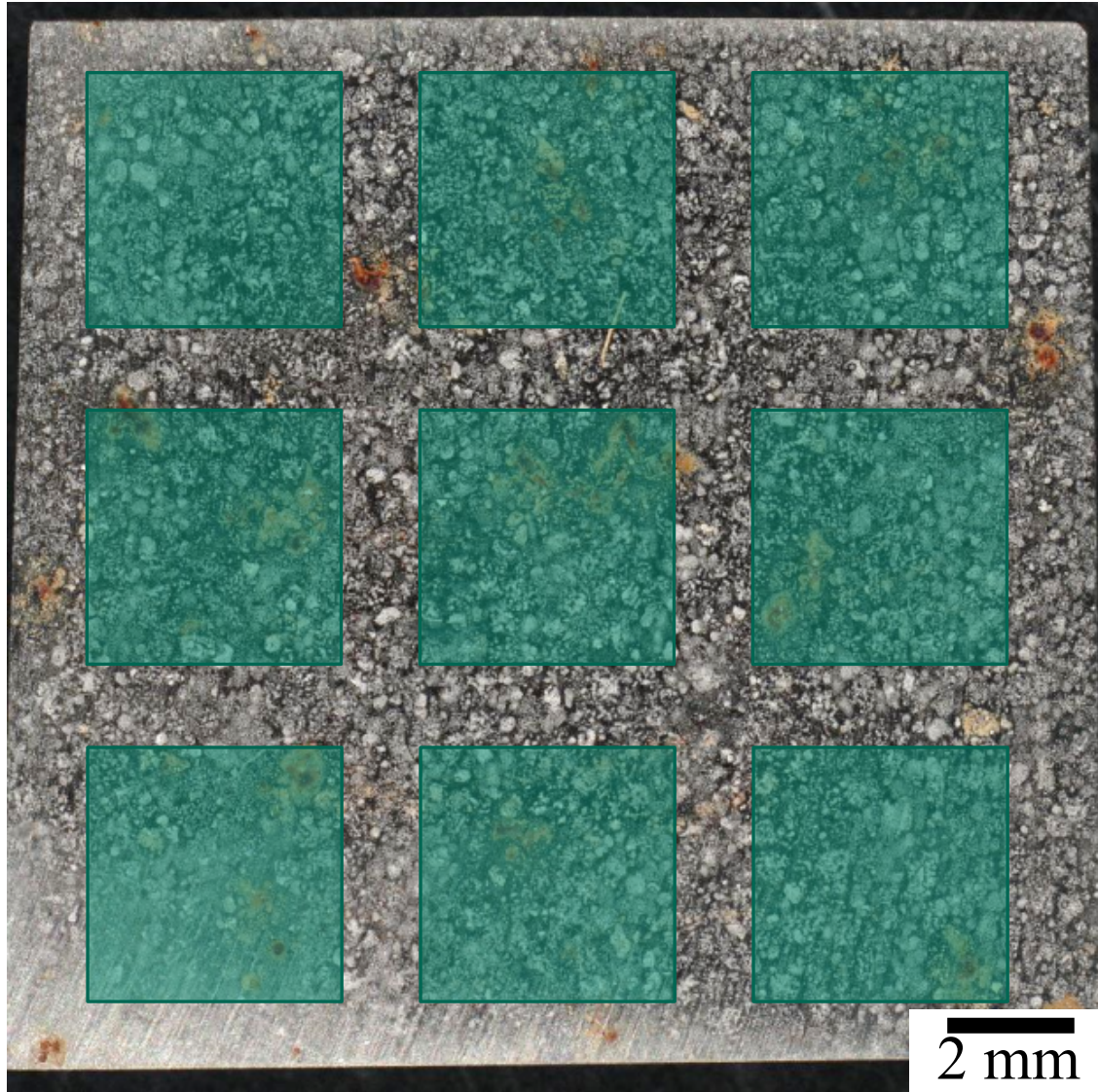
2 mm

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White light interferometry (Nexview™)



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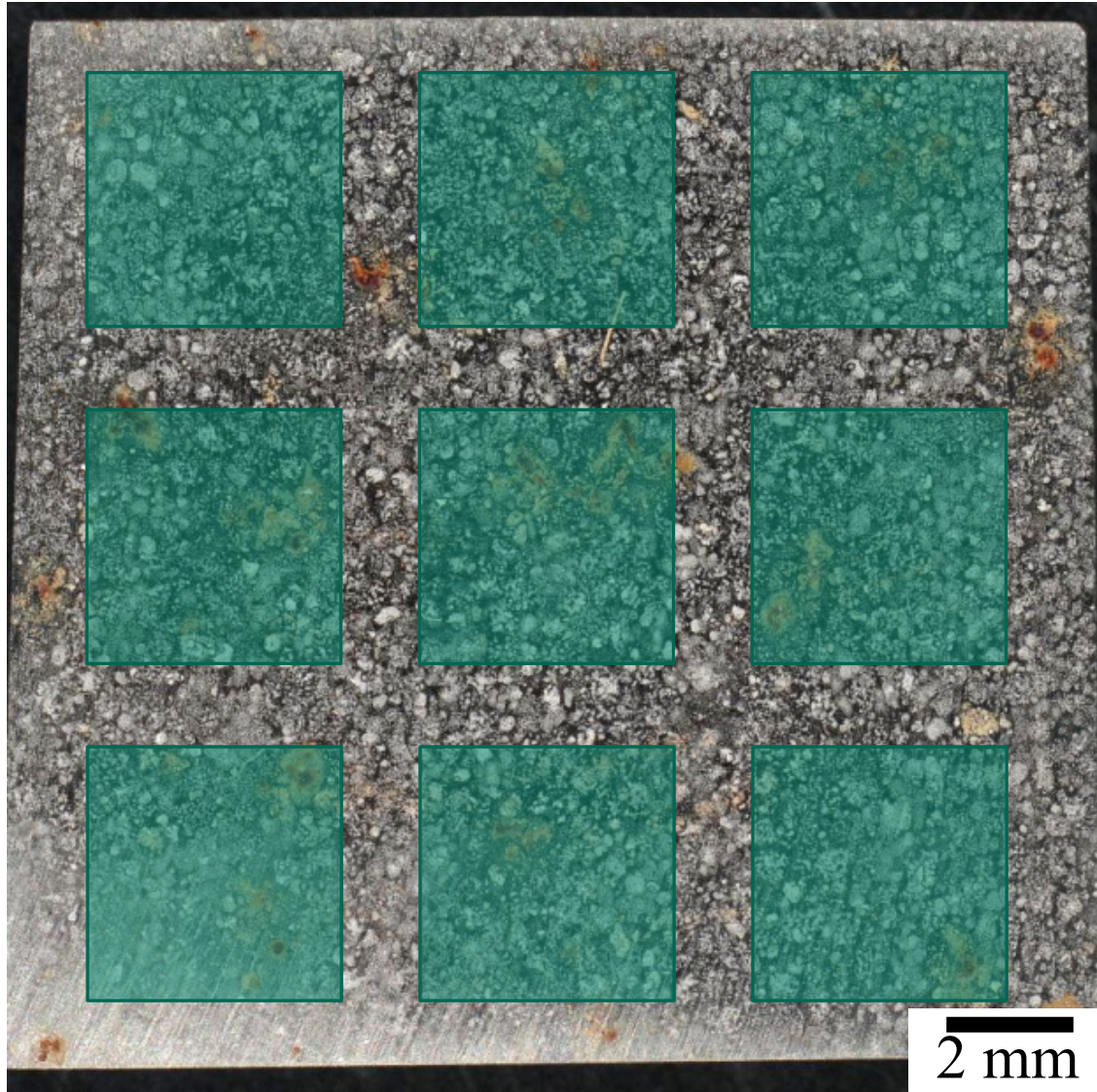


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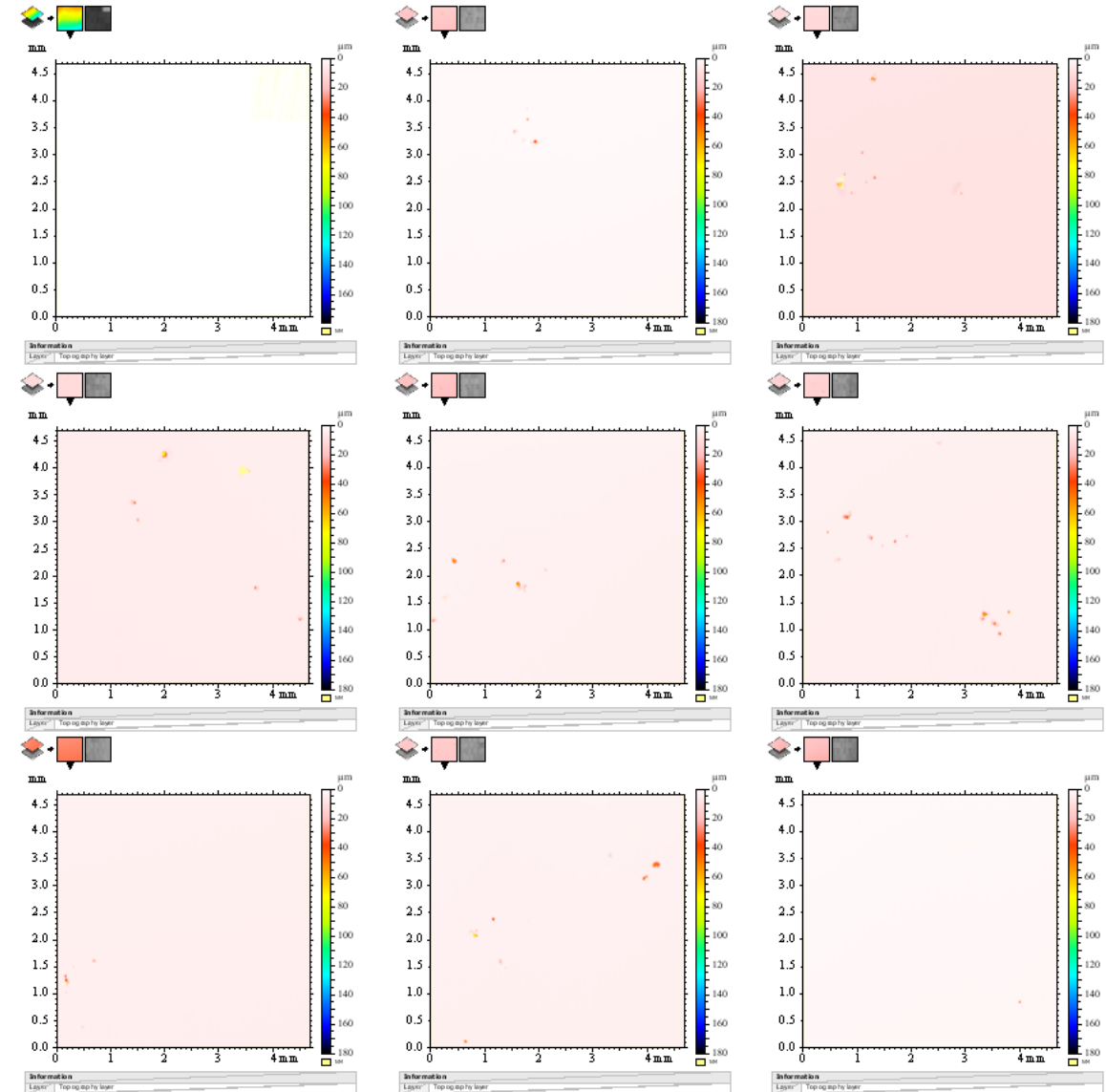
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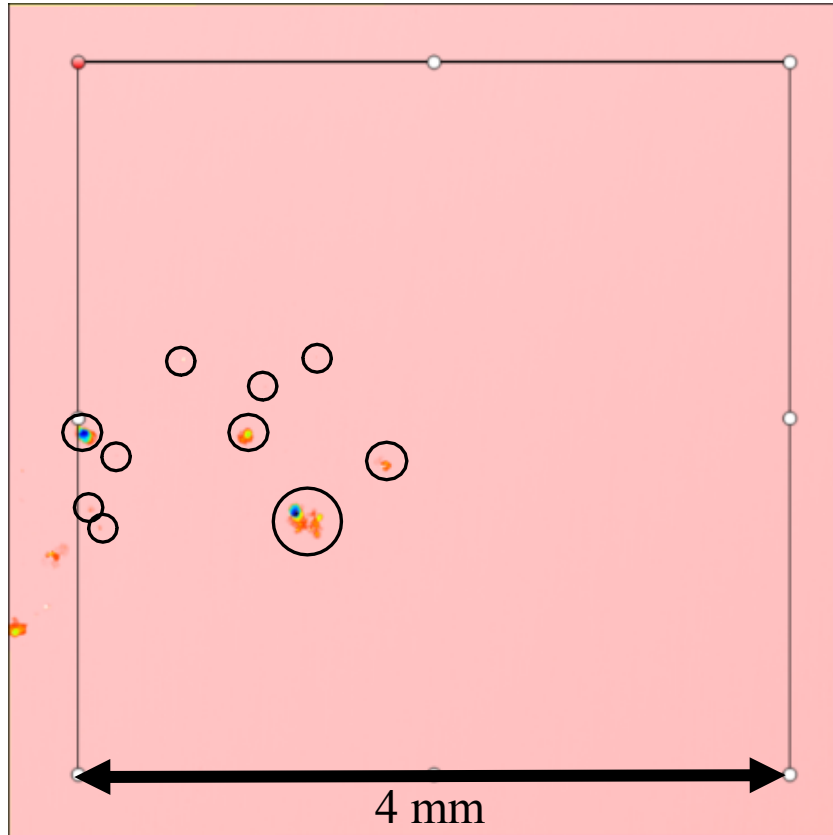
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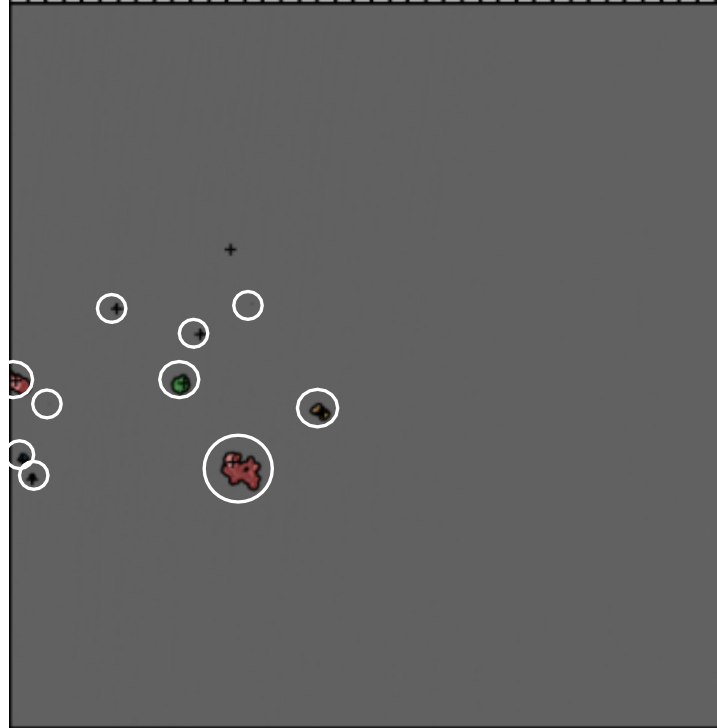
Pit Verification Process



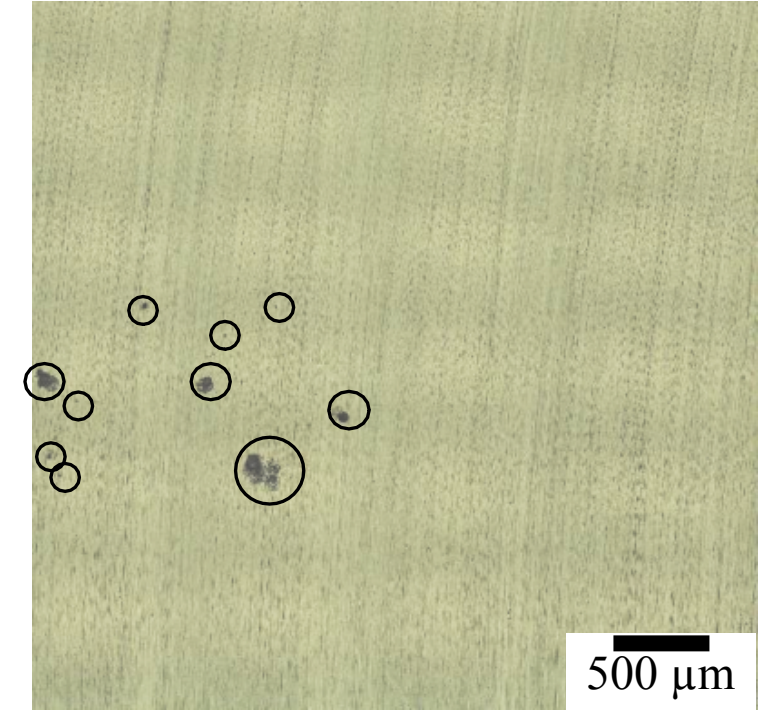
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Processed particle data



Optical image

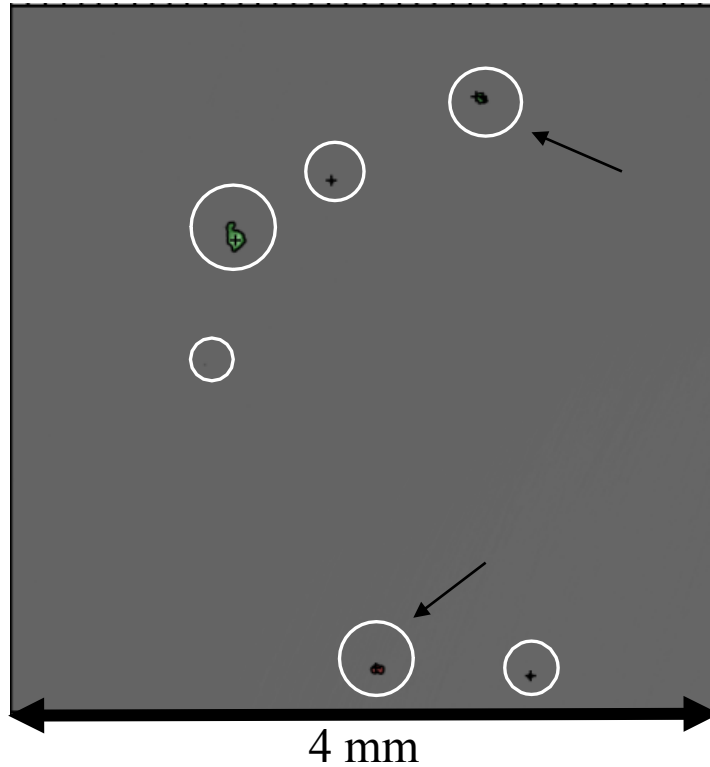


- White light interferometry measurements of cleaned surfaces to detect pits were processed to smooth surfaces.
- Mean plane threshold was used to eliminate scratch marks: **$0.5\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ below surface.**
- Filtering criteria: **Maximum Height (Depth) $> 0.2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ and Volume/Area ratio $> 0.2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$.**
- Each circle contains one pit. *There were a total of 10 pits through the filtering process.*
- Through visual inspection, the particles are verified to be pits.

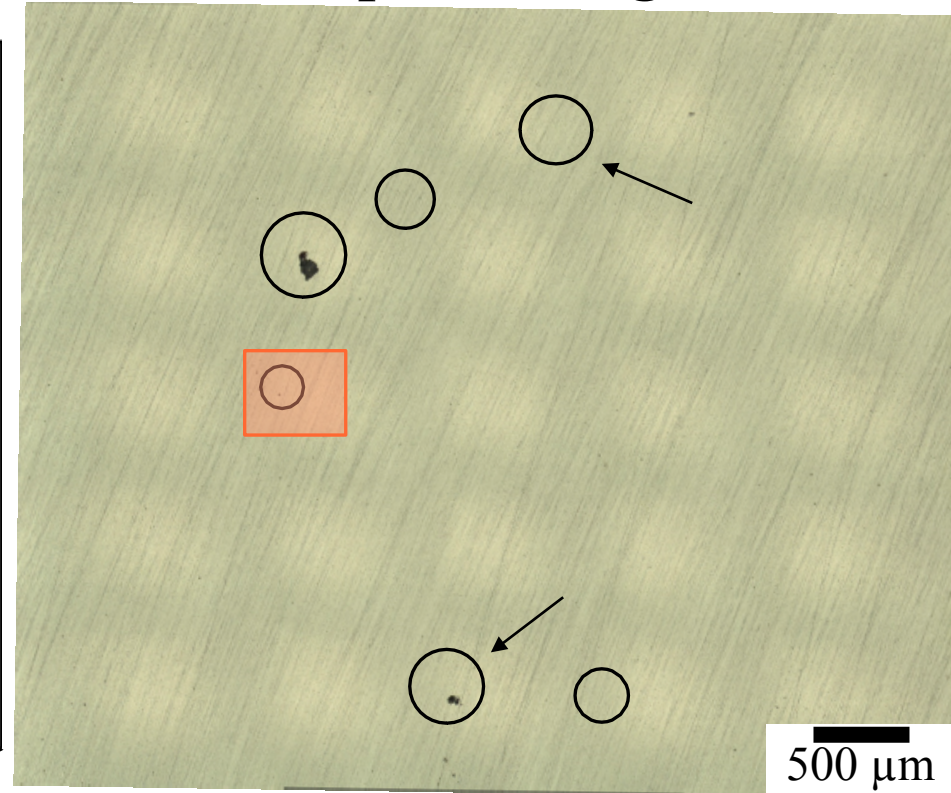
Pit Verification Process – what are we missing?



Processed particle data



Optical image

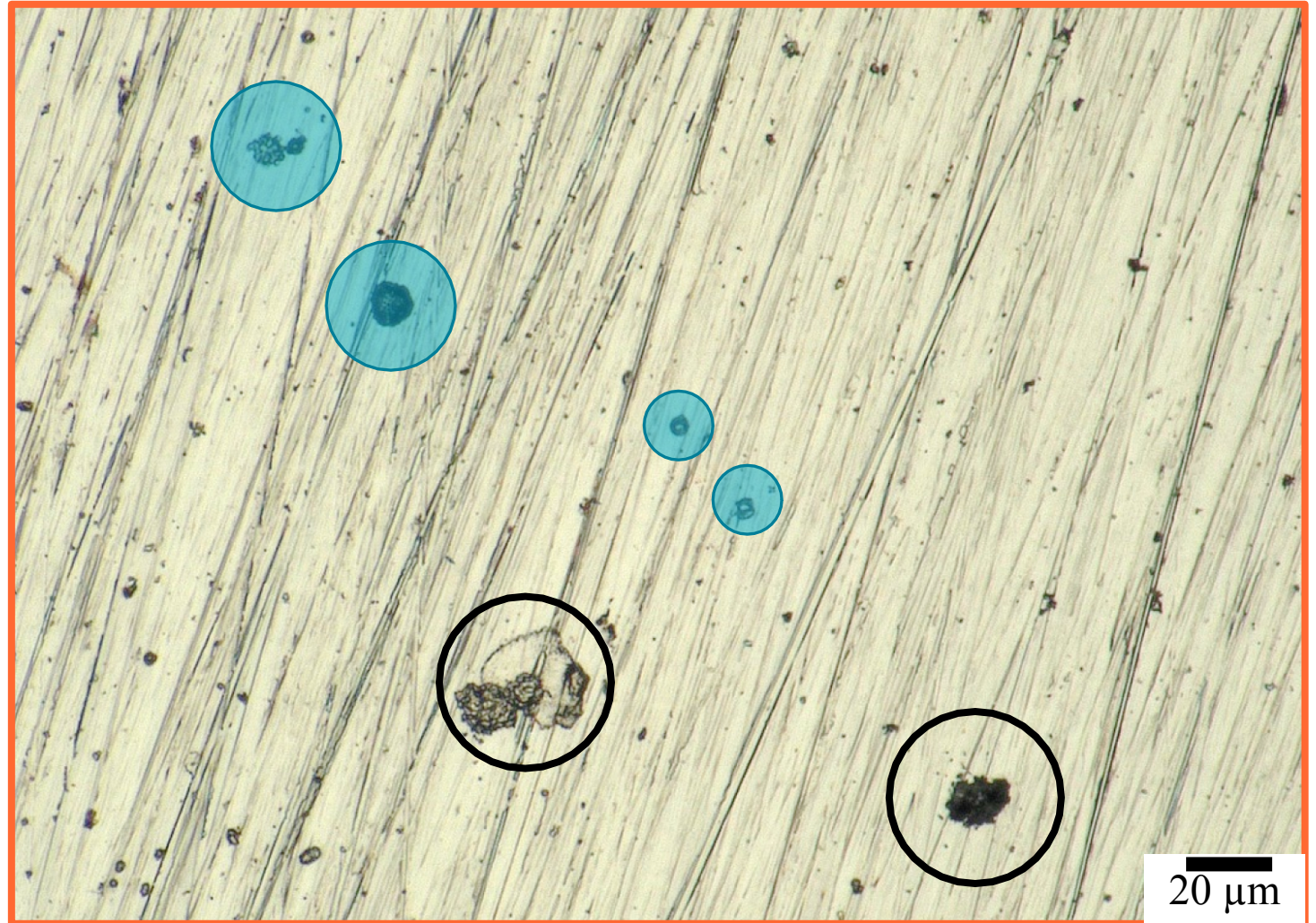


Pit Verification Process – what are we missing?

Optical image



- Pits not picked up from interferometry analysis because they are **too small**.
- Specific to AM – lack of fusion **porosity** can cause outlier pit information.
- **Contamination** of the surface can lead to unexpected pits – make sure surfaces are clean before measurements!



Another filter based on Height/Area ratio was used to eliminate contamination/pore outliers.

Wrought

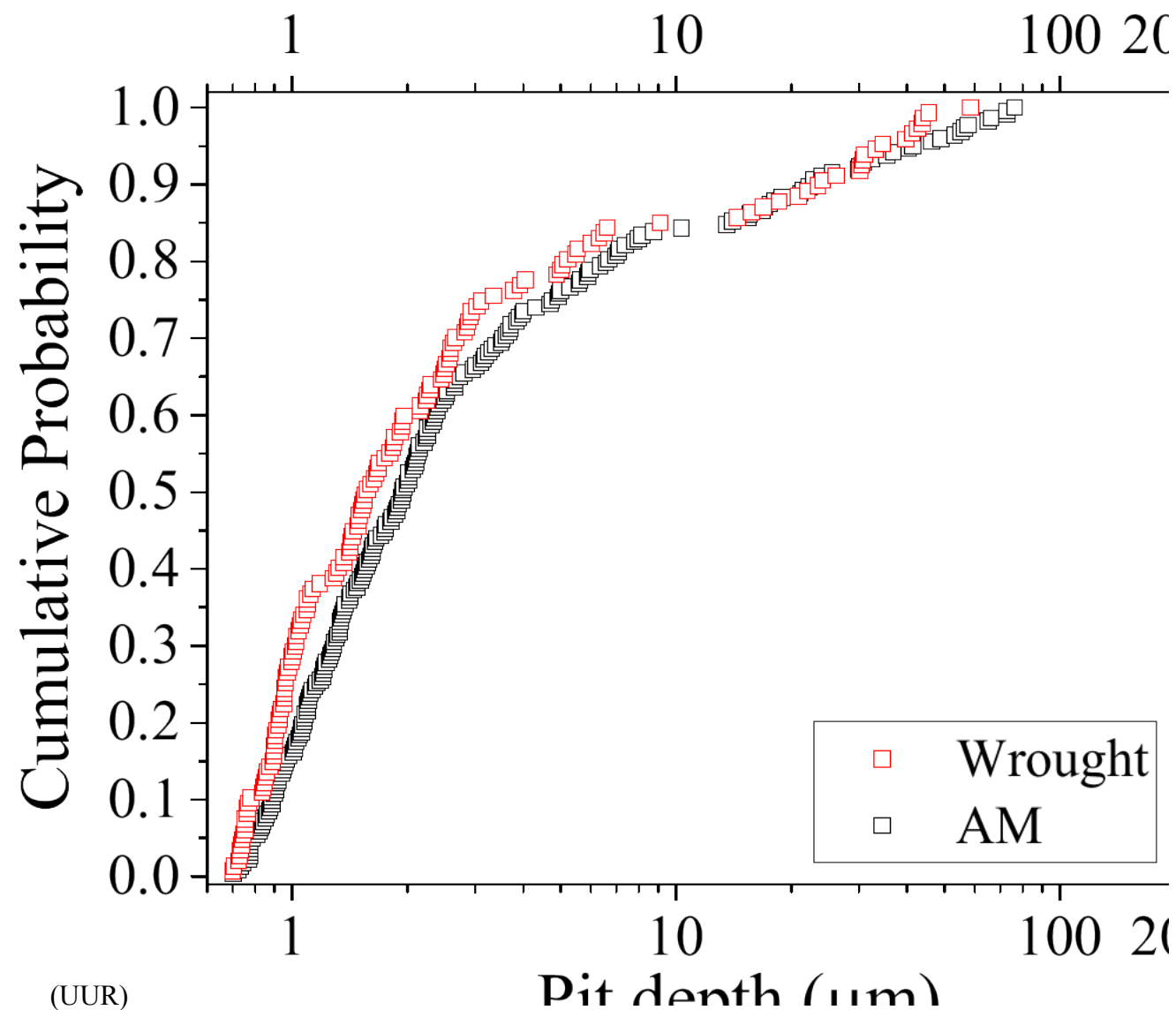
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1 week	2.9	35.1
1 month	7.0	41.8
6 months	6.3	58.5
12 months	11.7	118.1

AM

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1 week	4.0	32.6
1 month	10.1	210.4 (73.3)
6 months	7.6	76.2
12 months	9.4	80.2

Likely porosity

6 months – Pit depth



Wrought

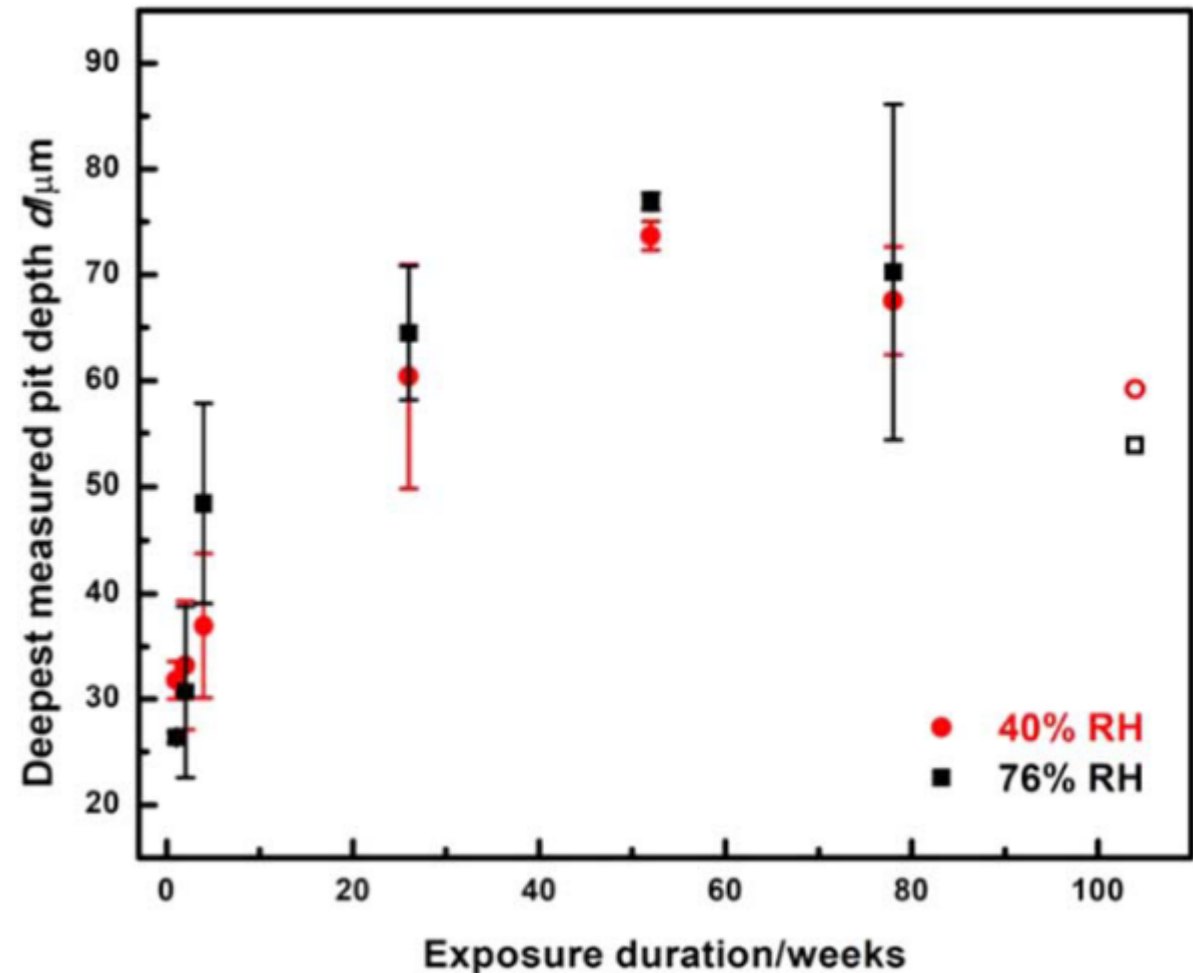
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Likely porosity

10 deepest pits/area from literature – 304L



Source: Srinivasan (2021)

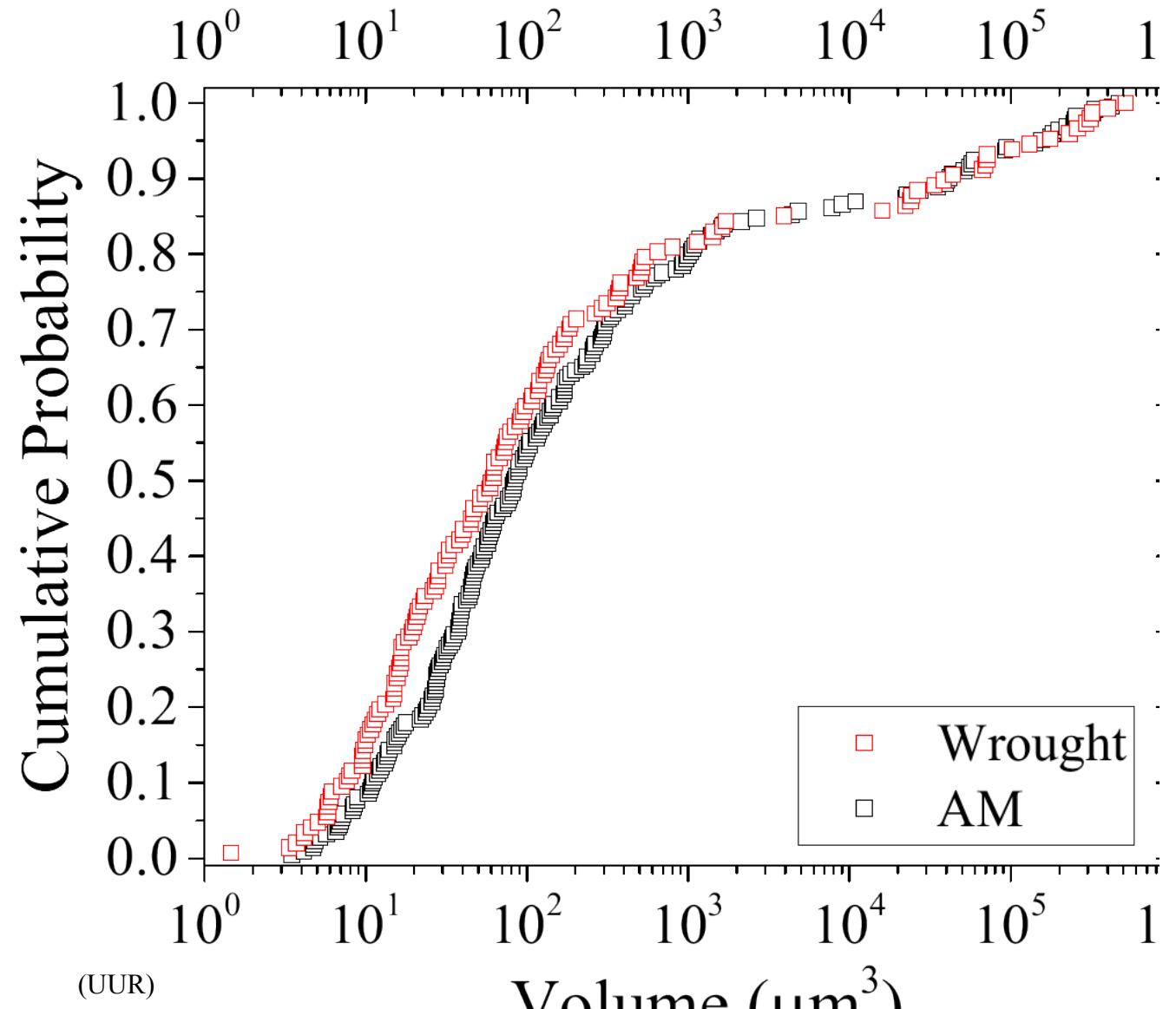
6 months – Pit volume

Wrought

	Volume per area ($\mu\text{m}^3/\text{cm}^2$)	# of Pits/ cm^2
1 week	1.15×10^5	50
1 month	9.28×10^5	65
6 months	2.34×10^6	105
12 months	2.75×10^6	96

AM

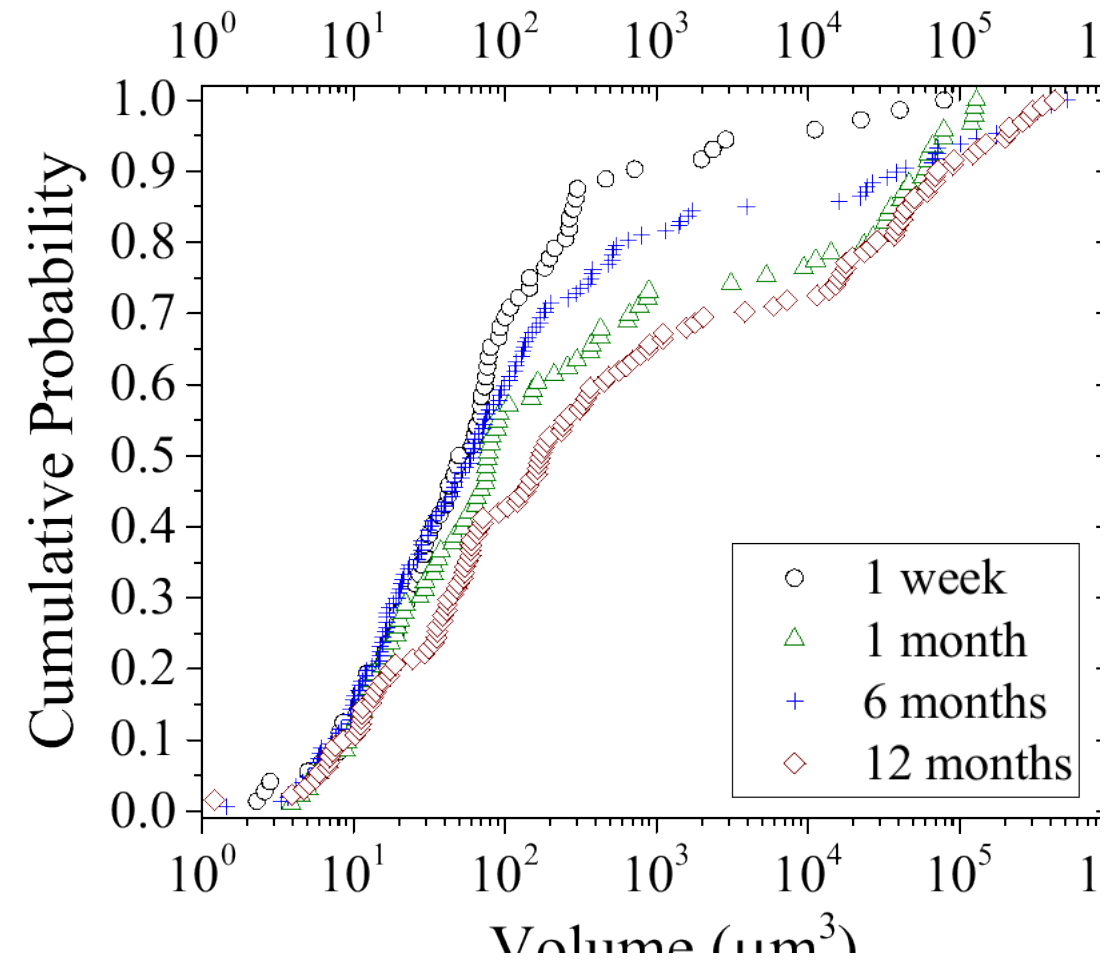
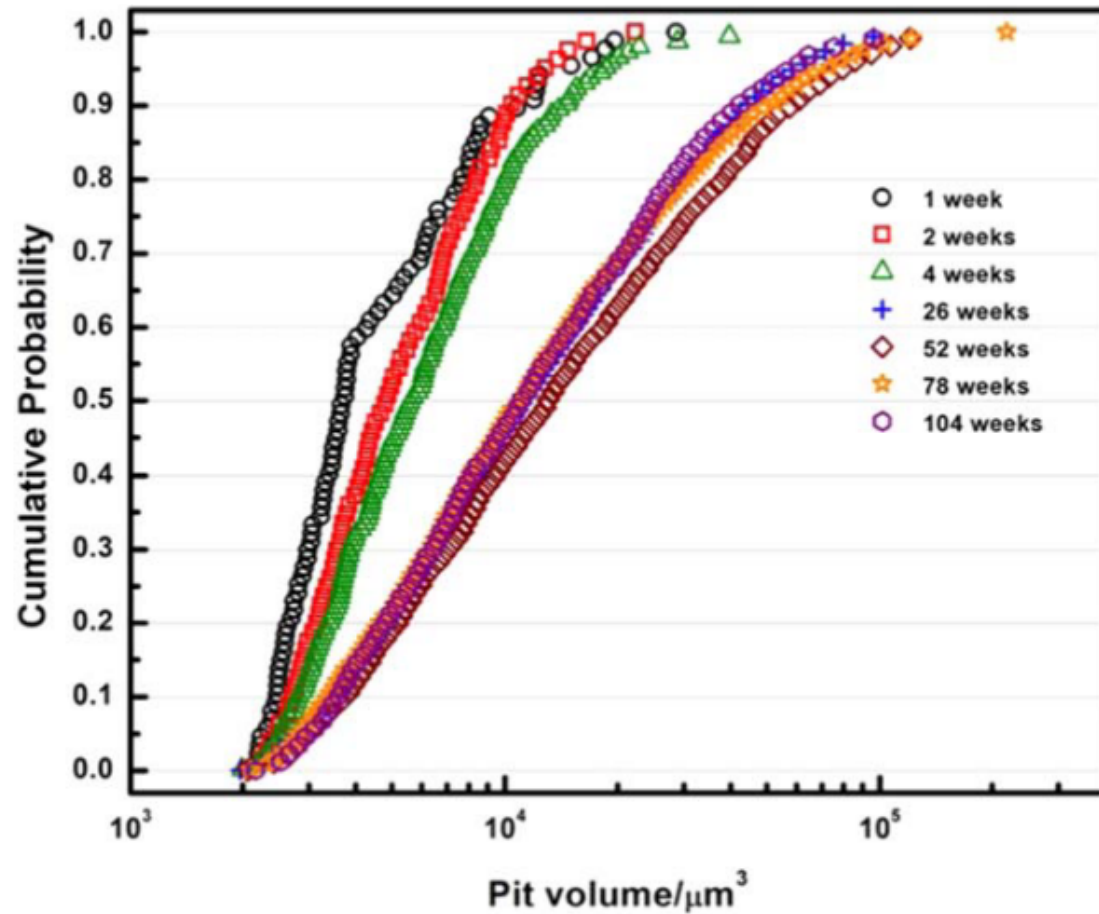
	Volume per area ($\mu\text{m}^3/\text{cm}^2$)	# of Pits/ cm^2
1 week	3.66×10^5	89
1 month	9.35×10^5	88
6 months	2.97×10^6	155
12 months	1.74×10^6	53

Total area analyzed: 1.3 to 1.44 cm^2 

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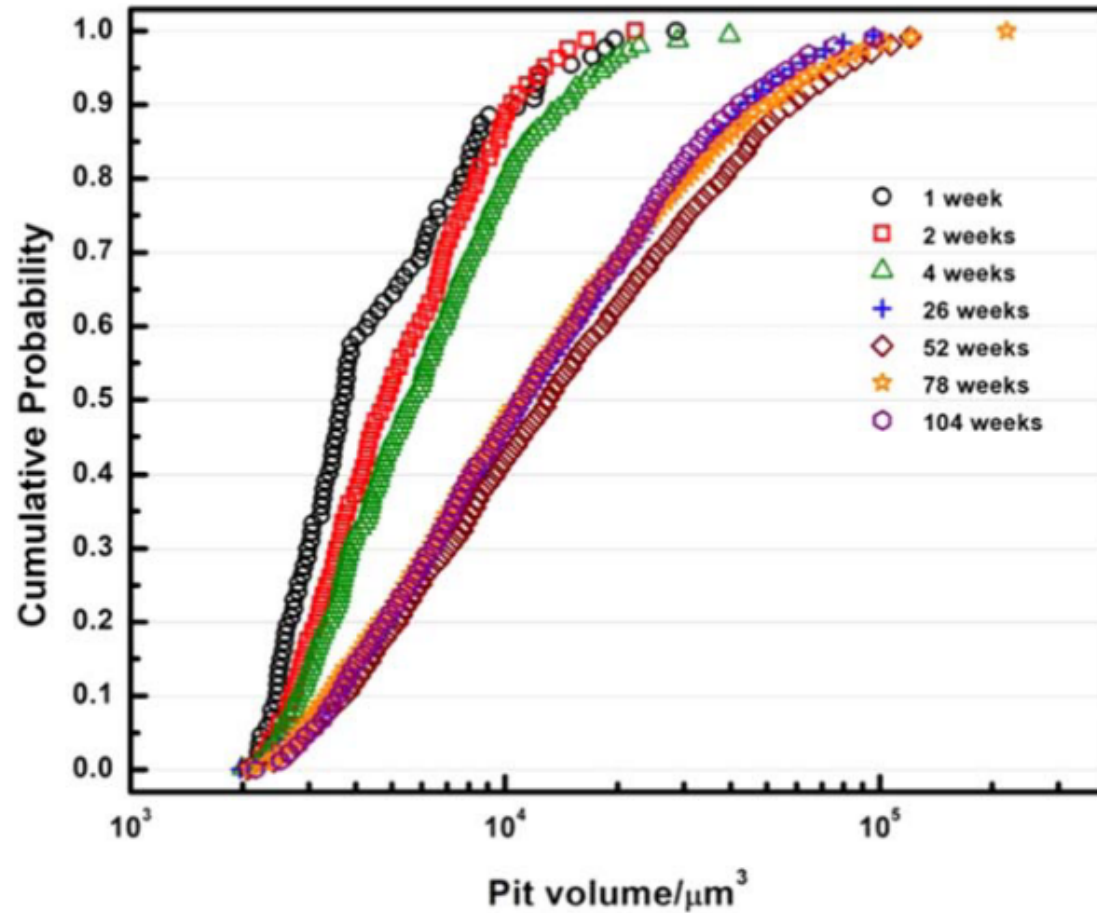
Wrought pit volume – with time



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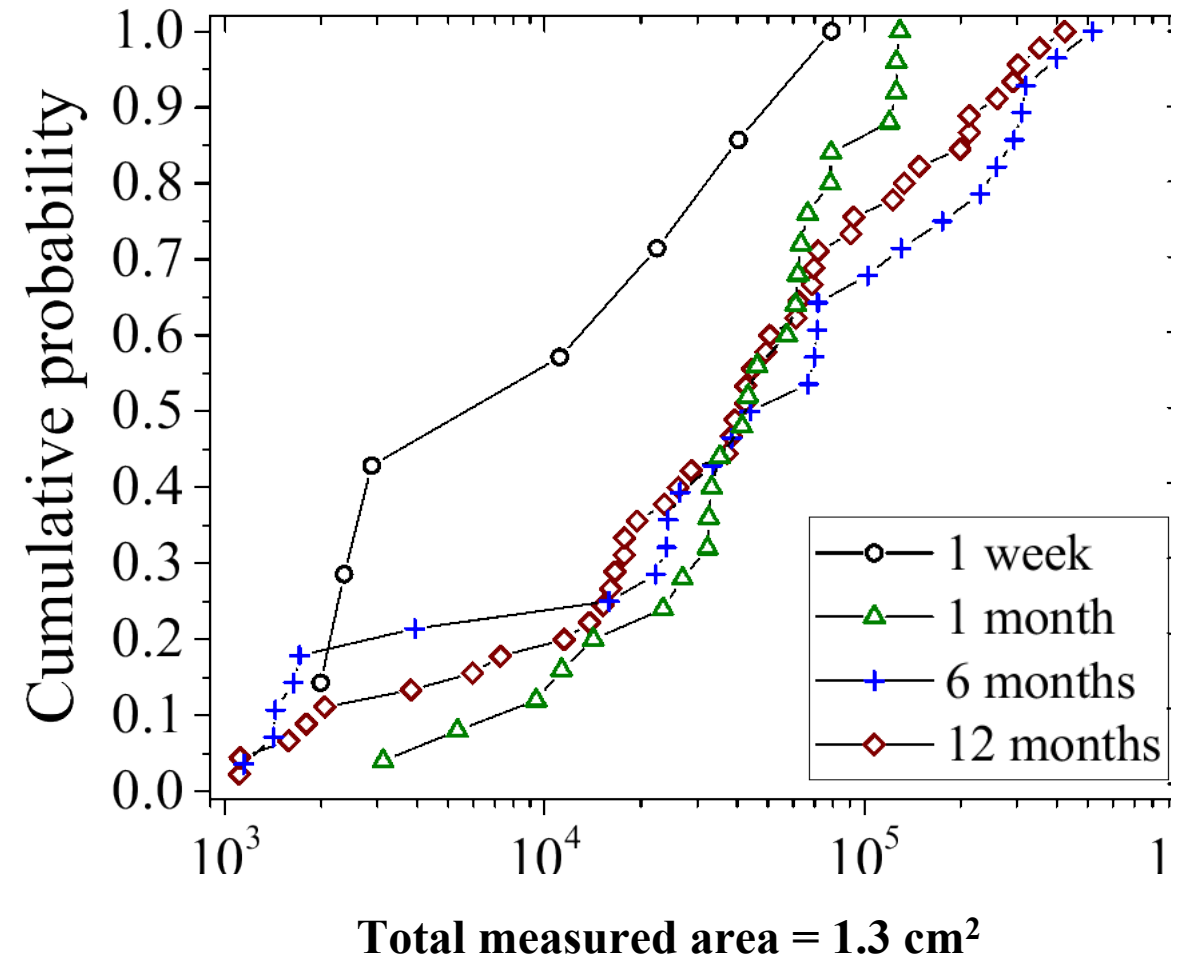


Total measured area = 6 cm^2

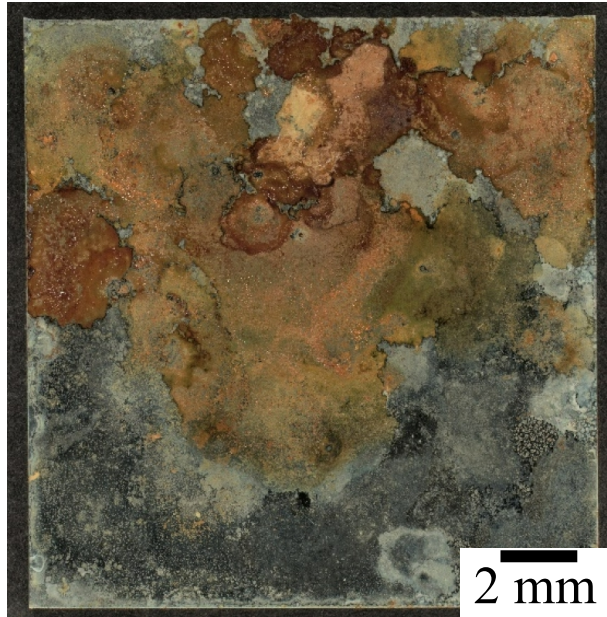


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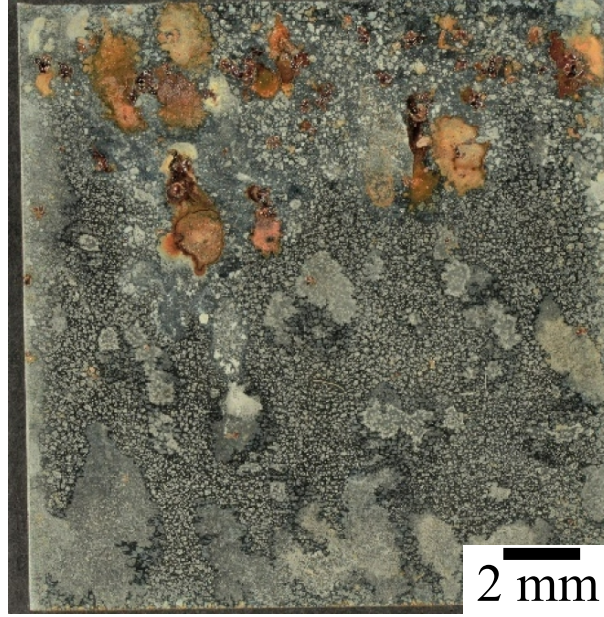
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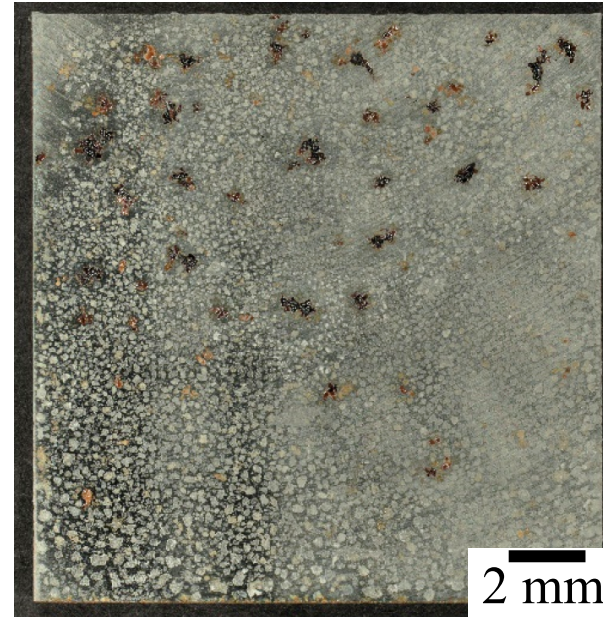
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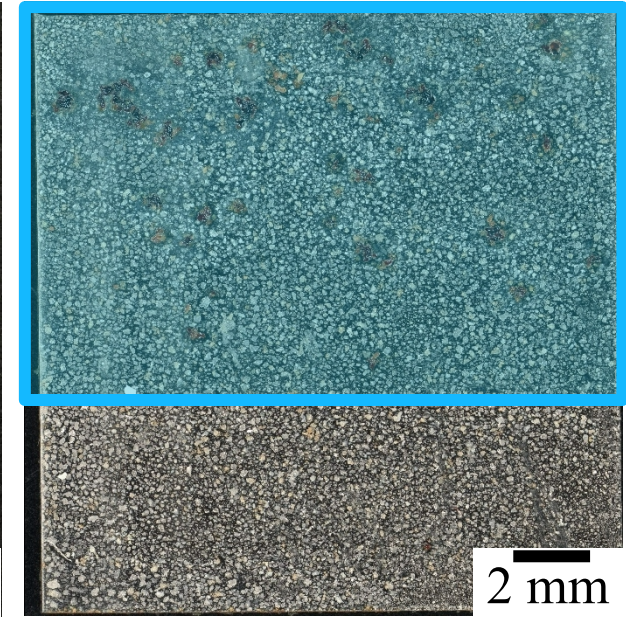
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6 month



12 month

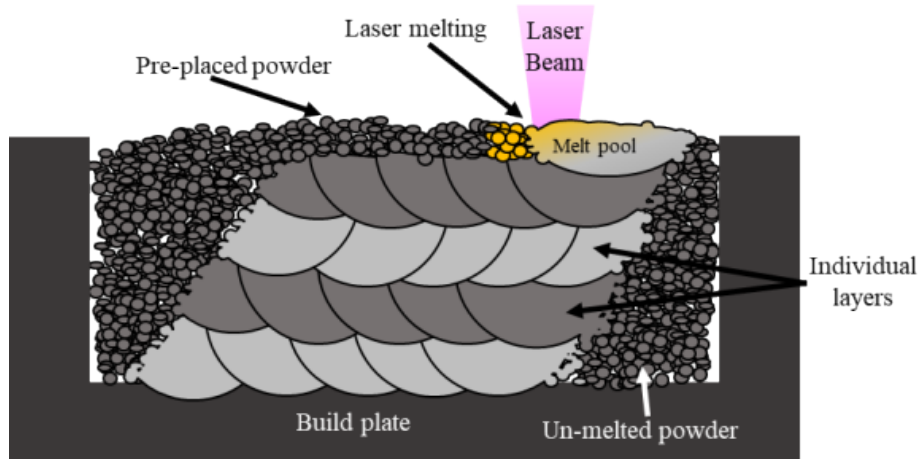


Constant humidity/contamination experiments

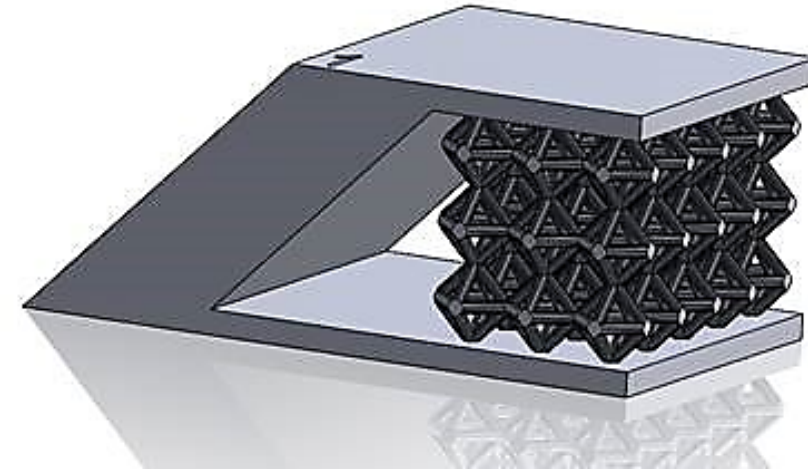


- Pit morphologies were similar to coastal exposures, besides the generally deeper pits for the constant humidity exposures.
- Pit density seems to be higher for AM samples, working on three potential hypotheses:
 - More initiation because of more preferential sites (oxides, cell boundaries, melt pool boundaries, etc.).
 - More initiation because of more efficient cathode (heterogeneous microstructure effects).
 - Or, more pits die (stop corroding) faster because of the heterogeneous microstructure (Cr/Mo enriched cell boundaries block propagation).
- Max pit depth was greater for AM at early times, but switched to Wrought after 12 month exposures.
- Initiation of local corrosion is most likely to occur in lack of fusion pores for samples at elevated humidity ($\geq 76\%$). Most obvious for AM 304L samples.

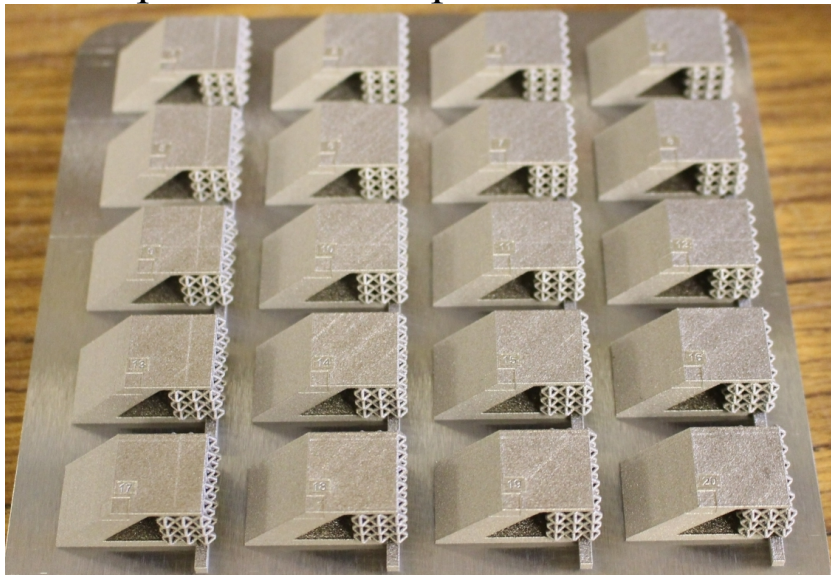
Powder bed fusion 316L samples



Samples were prepared using 316L powder with a powder bed fusion (PBF) technique.

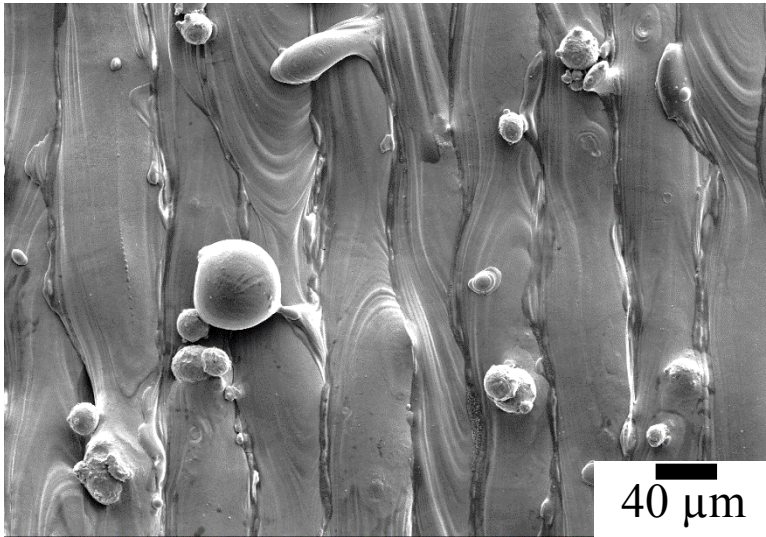


Build plate of 20 samples

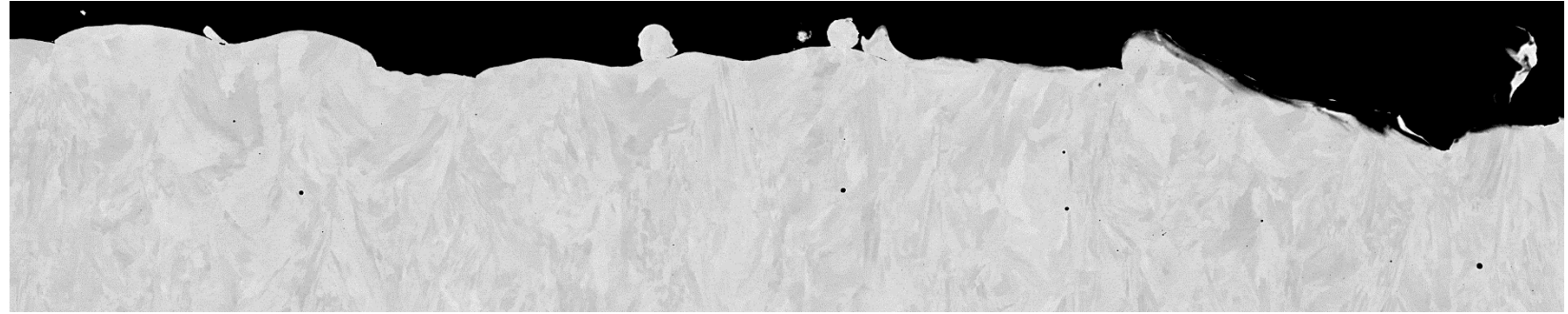


- Samples were printed on 5 different PBF machines, all with the machines optimized parameters for part density.
- SEM images of powder.
- Composition determined by ICP-MS and LECO.
- Powder analysis with laser diffraction.

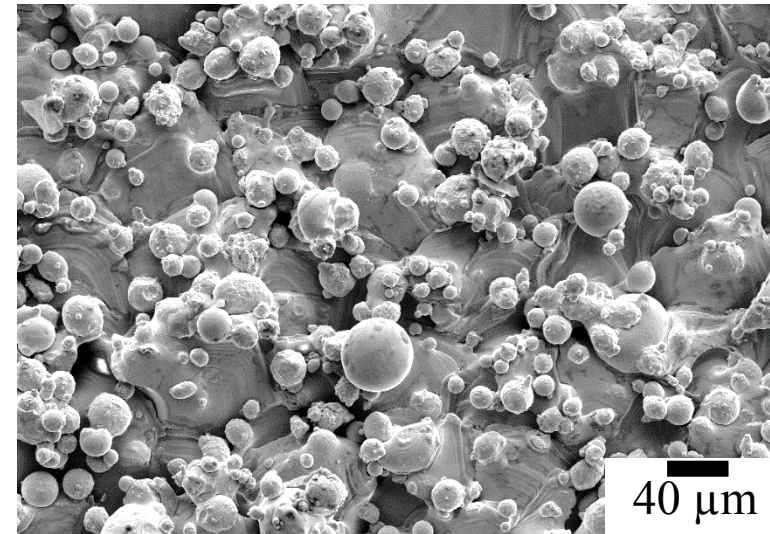
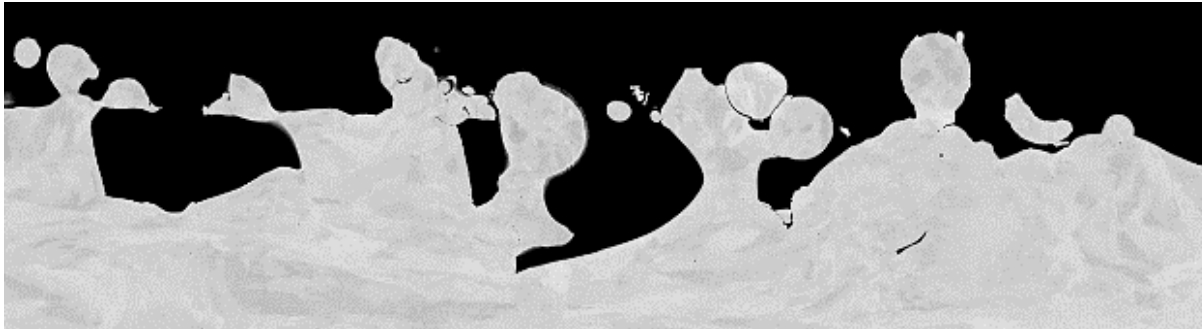
What do as-printed surfaces look like?



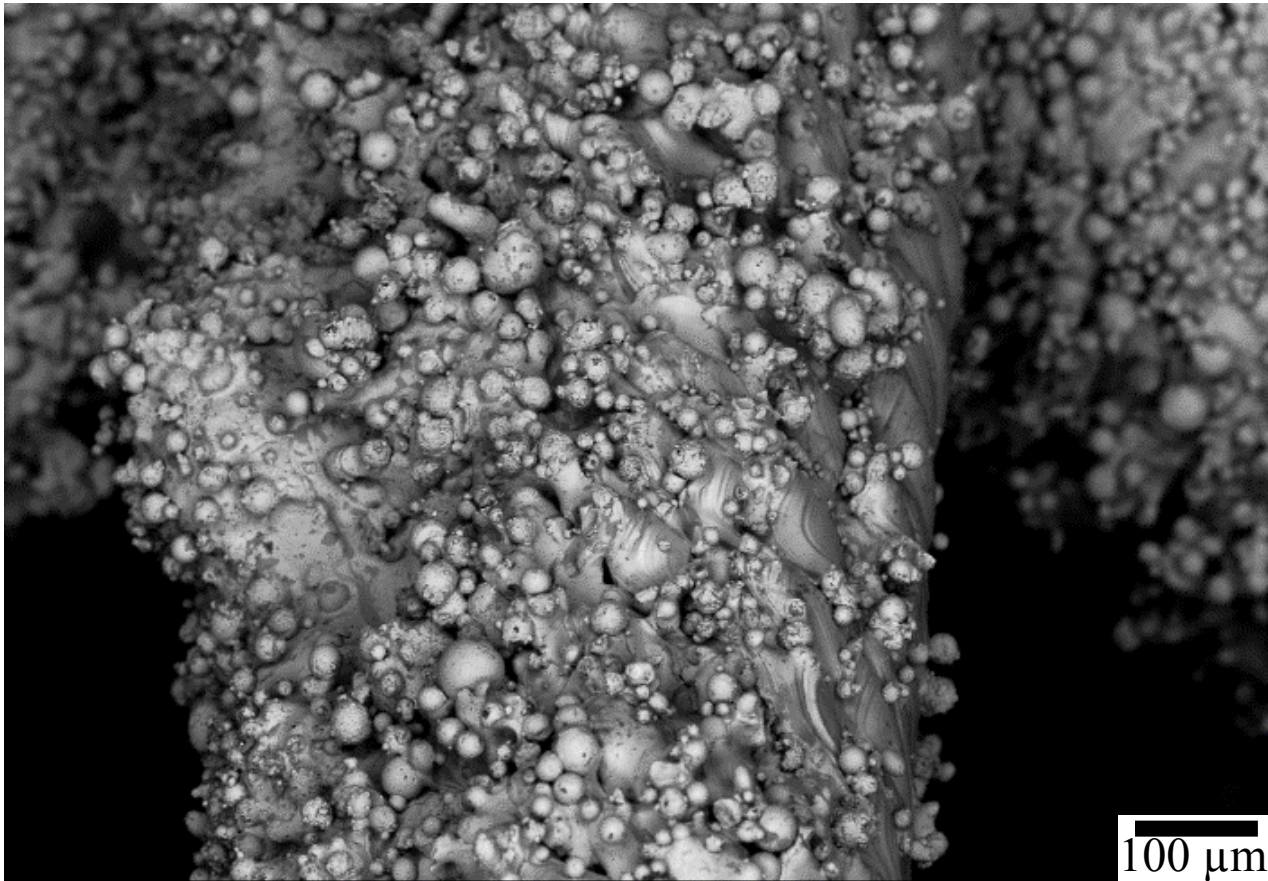
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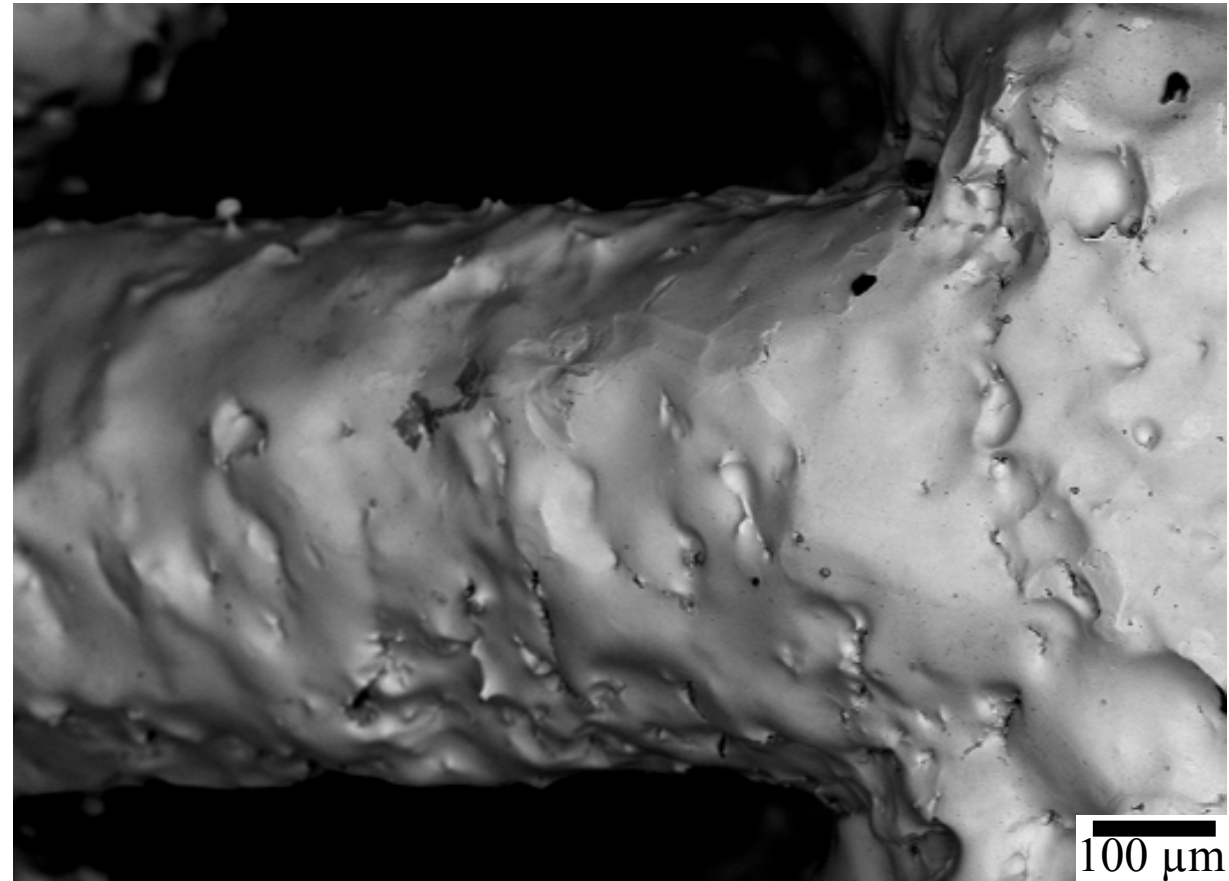
Side surface



As-printed lattices?



As-printed



DC Electropolished

ASTM G85-A2: Sample ID



1st set – ProX200 As-printed

2nd set – ProX200

3rd set – EOS M290 As-printed

4th set – Renishaw AM250 As-printed

5th set – SLM280 As-printed

6th set – Concept Laser M2 As-printed

7th set – Wrought 316L

– *Wire EDM cut surface*

– *Electropolished*

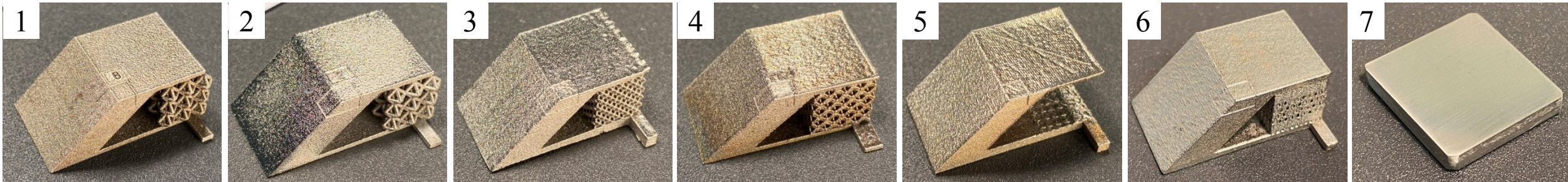
– *Bandsaw cut surface*

– *Ground with 600 grit sand paper*

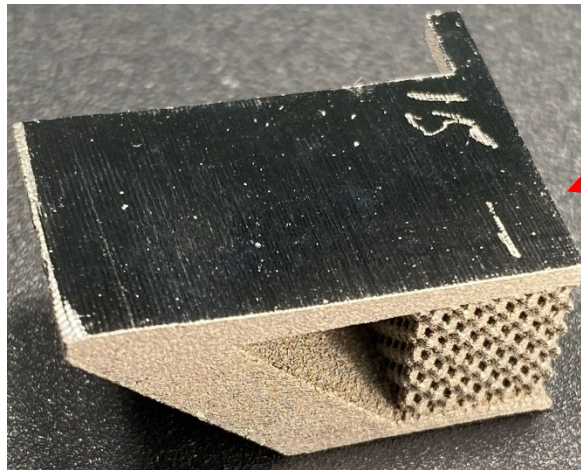
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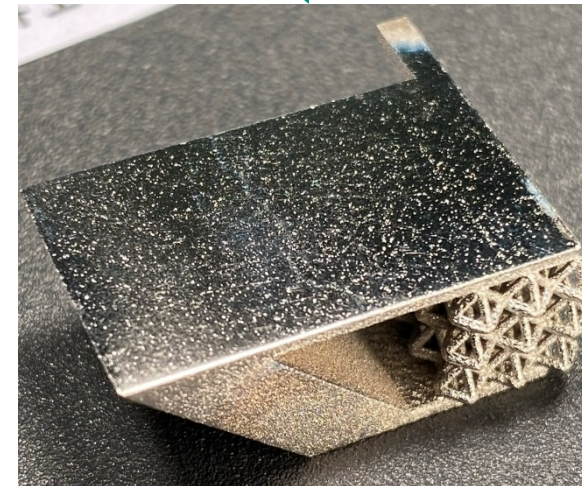
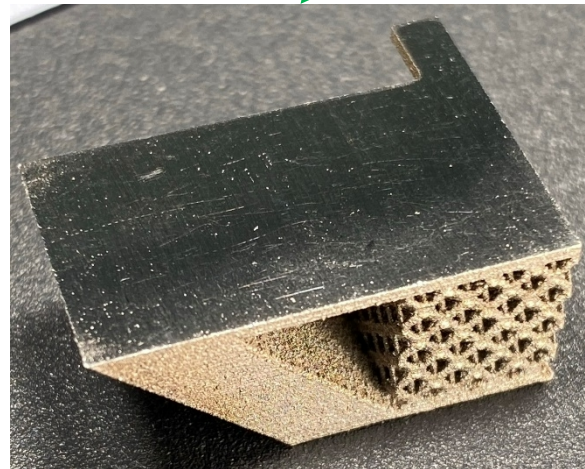
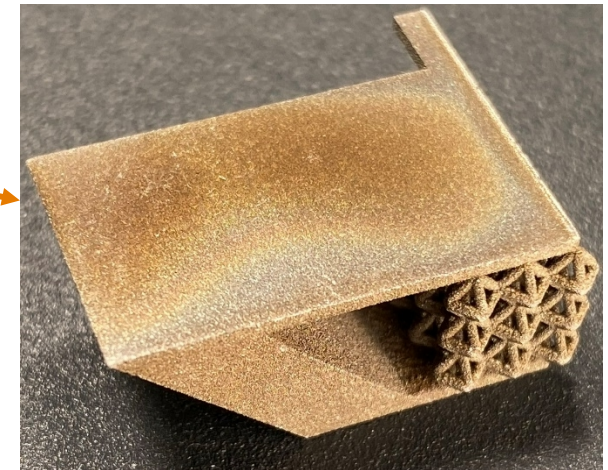


As-cut Bandsaw

As-cut wire EDM

Electropolishing

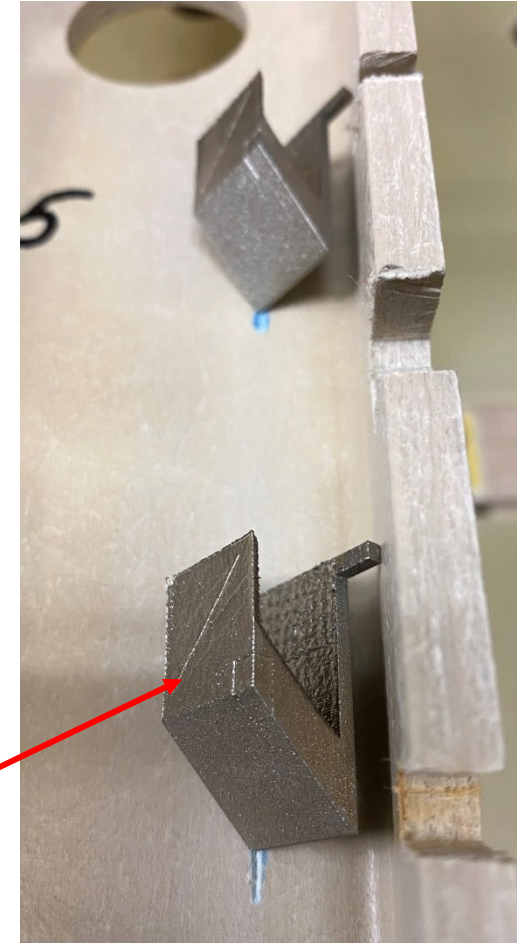
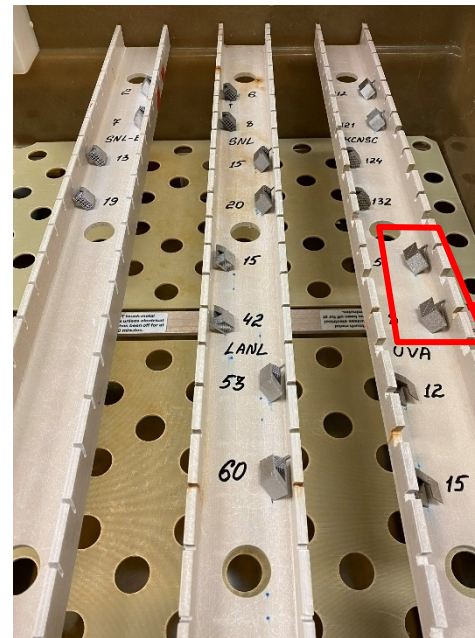
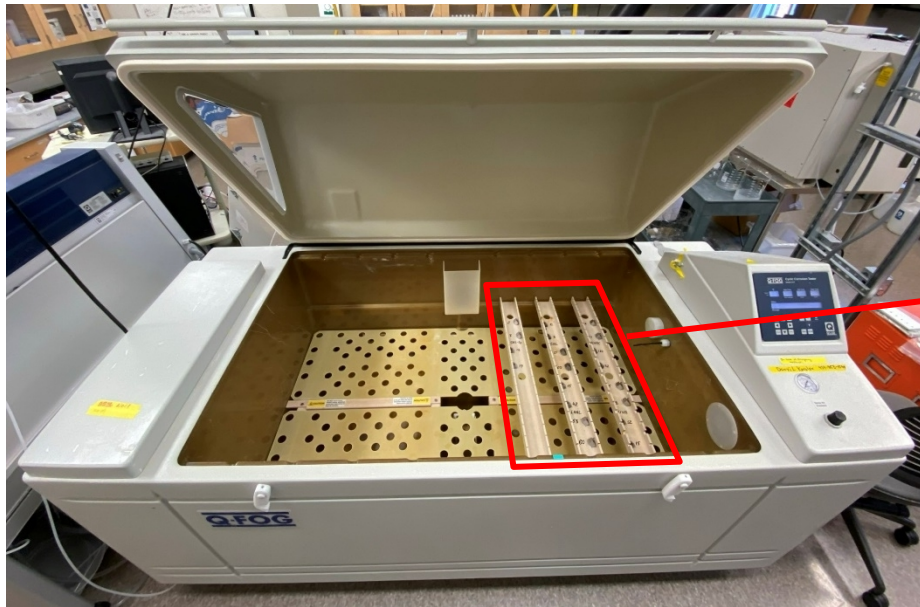
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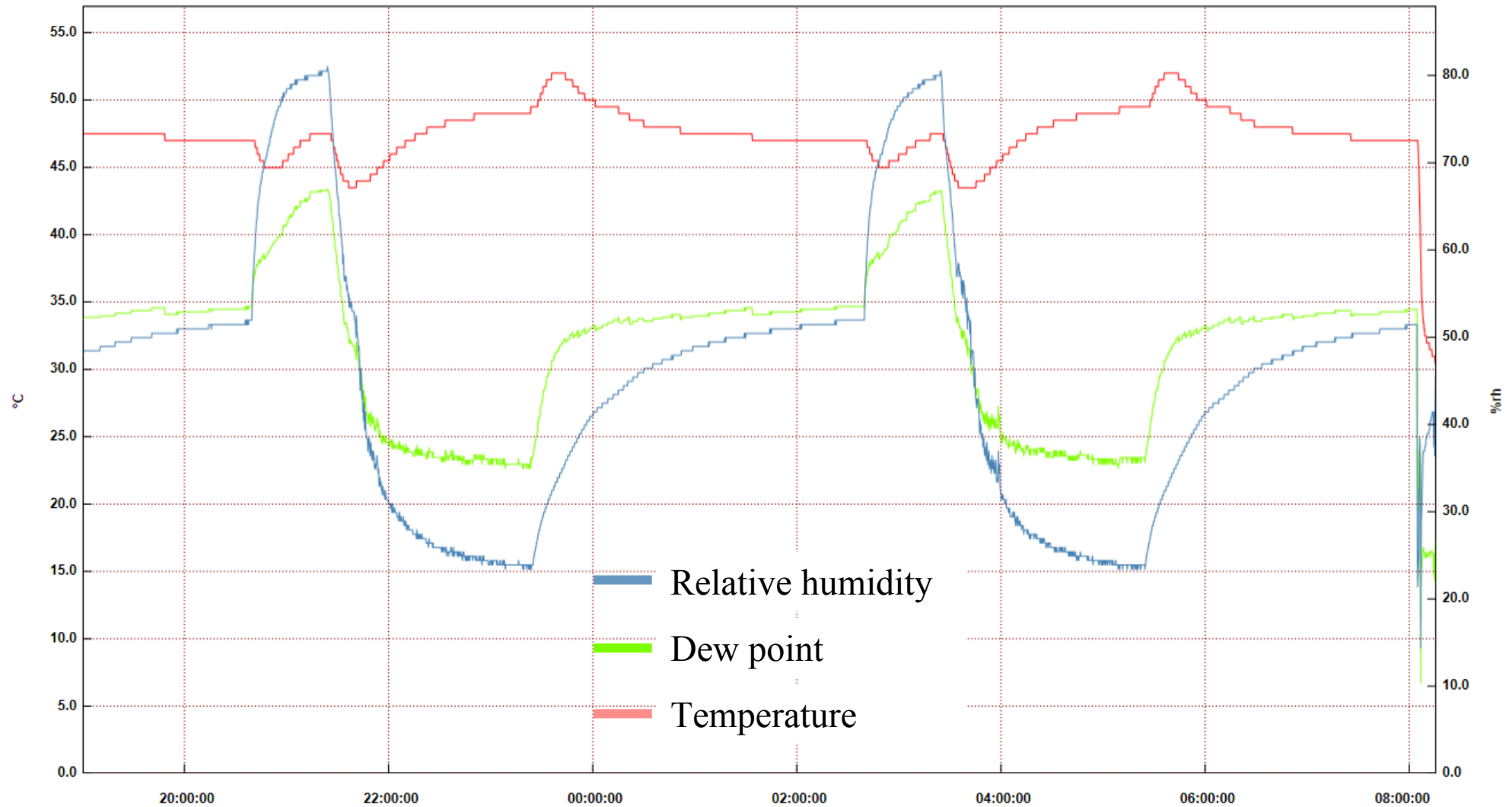
ASTM G85-A2: Setup



- **ASTM for sample testing: G85 A2 with wet bottom**
- Equipment: Q-fog cyclic corrosion tester.
 - Solution: 0.9M NaCl acidified to pH 3 with acetic acid.
 - Test temperature: 49°C.
 - Duration: 2000 hr.
 - Sample holder: PEEK rack with milled paths to place AM 316 samples.



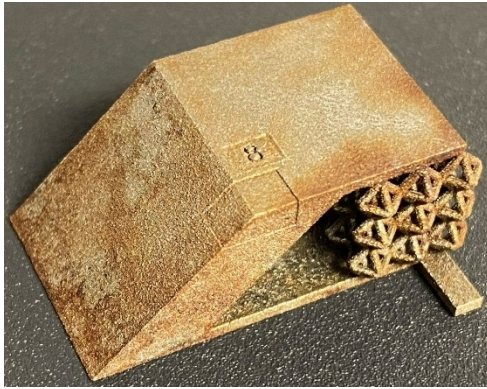
ASTM G85-A2: RH and Temp.



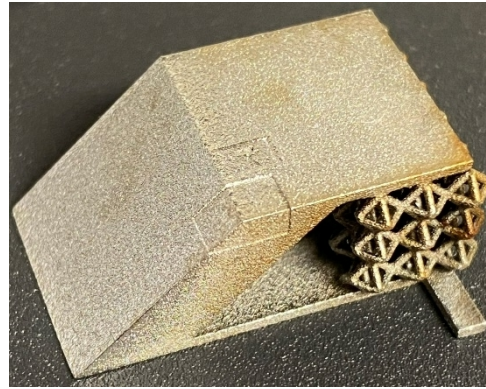
Samples after 2000 hours – Top down



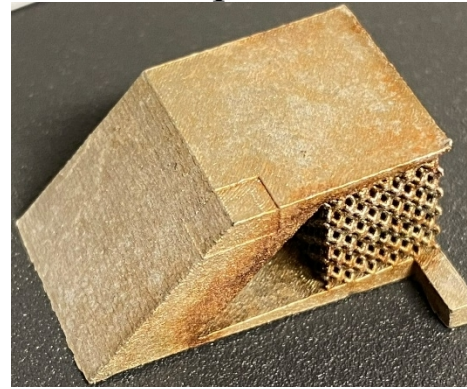
ProX 200
As-printed



ProX 200
Electropolish



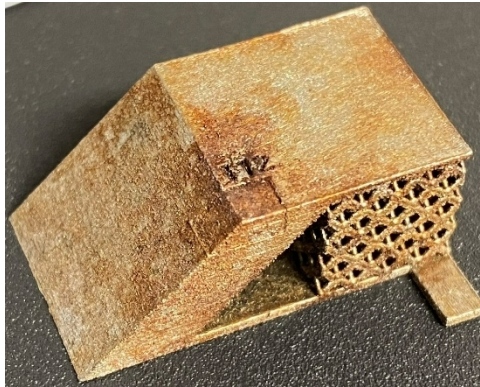
EOS M290
As-printed



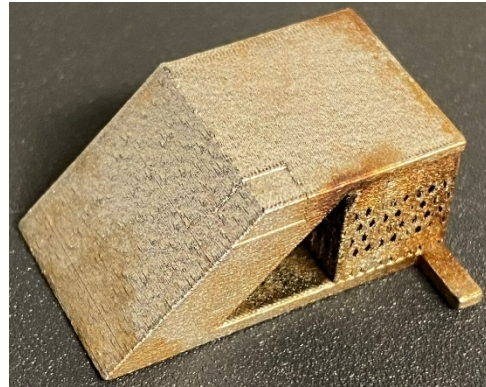
Wrought surface
was polished



Renishaw
As-printed



Concept M2
As-printed



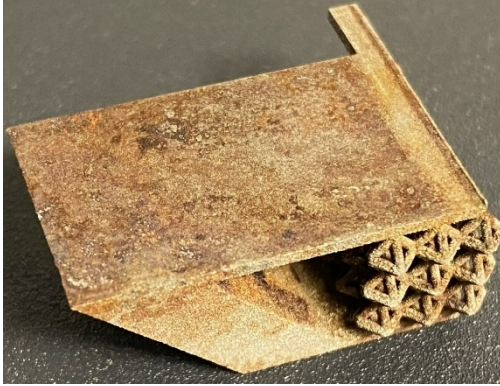
SLM®280
As-printed



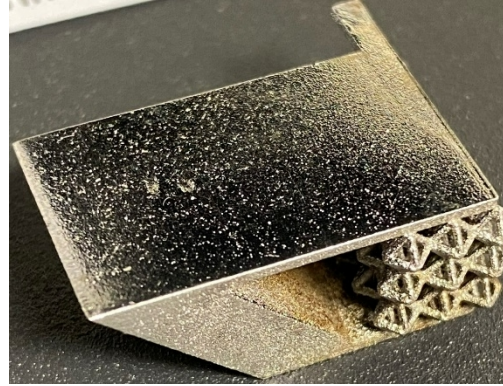
Samples after 2000 hours – Cut surface



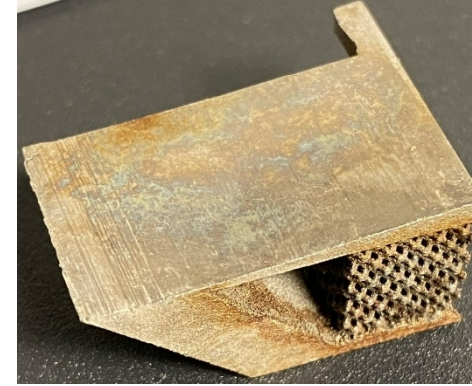
ProX 200
As-cut wire EDM



ProX 200
Electropolish



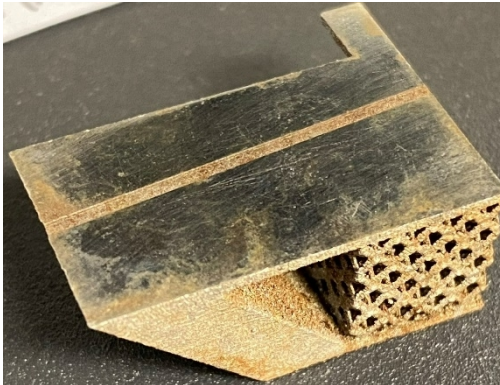
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As-cut bandsaw



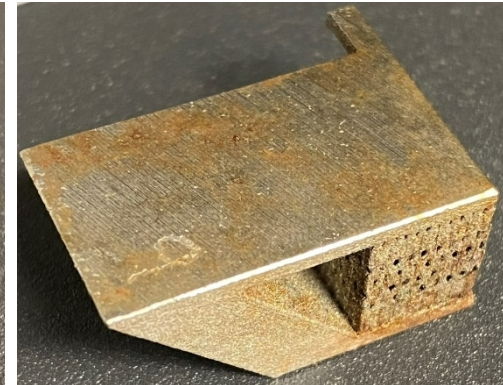
Wrought
Ground to 600 grit



Renishaw
Ground to 600 grit



Concept M2
As-cut bandsaw



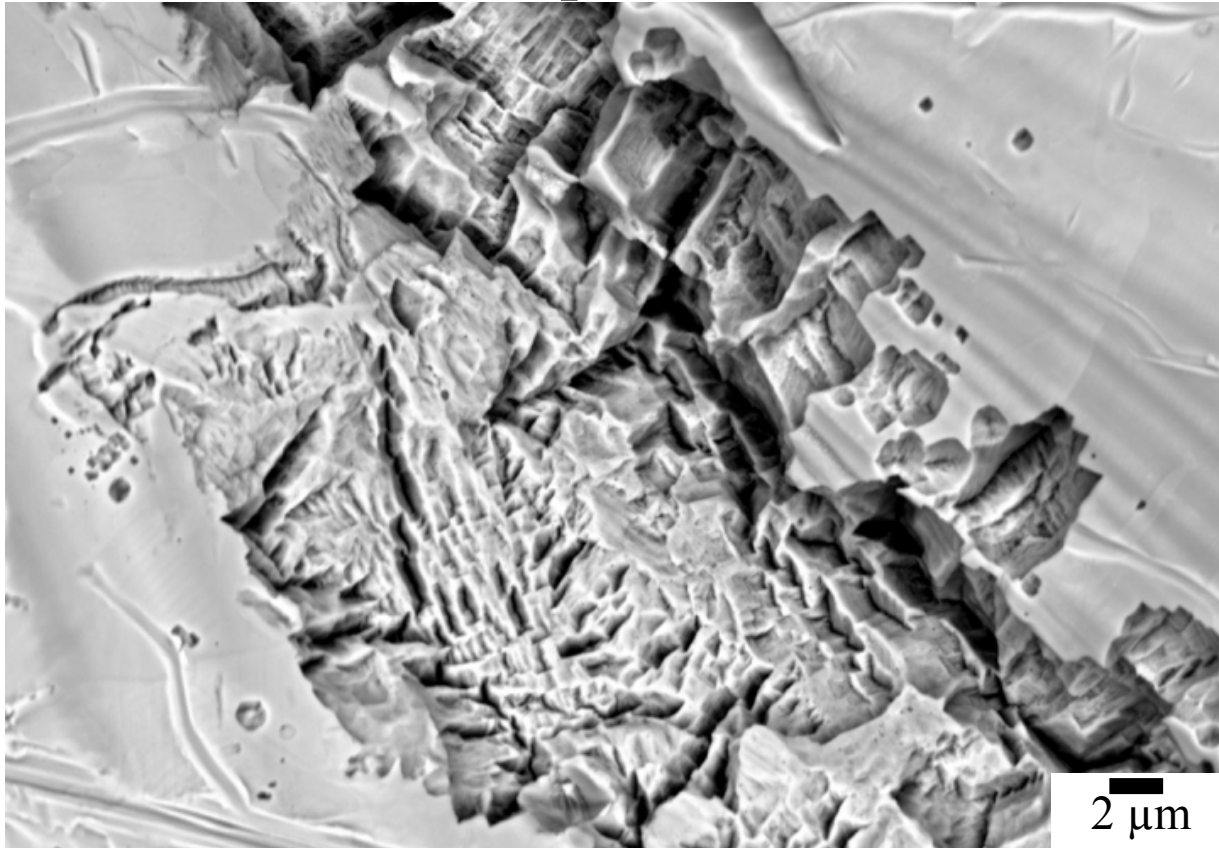
SLM®280
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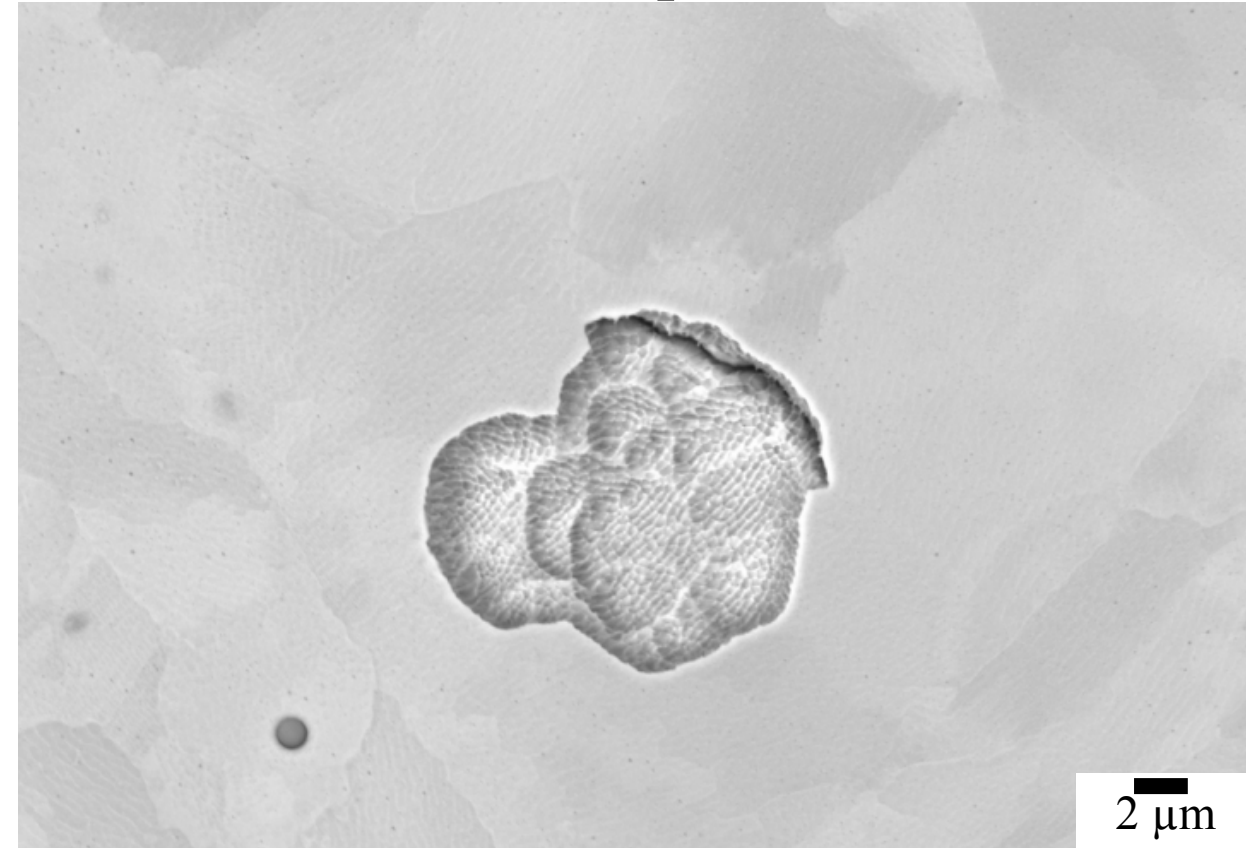
Pit morphology – Top surface



ProX 200
As-printed



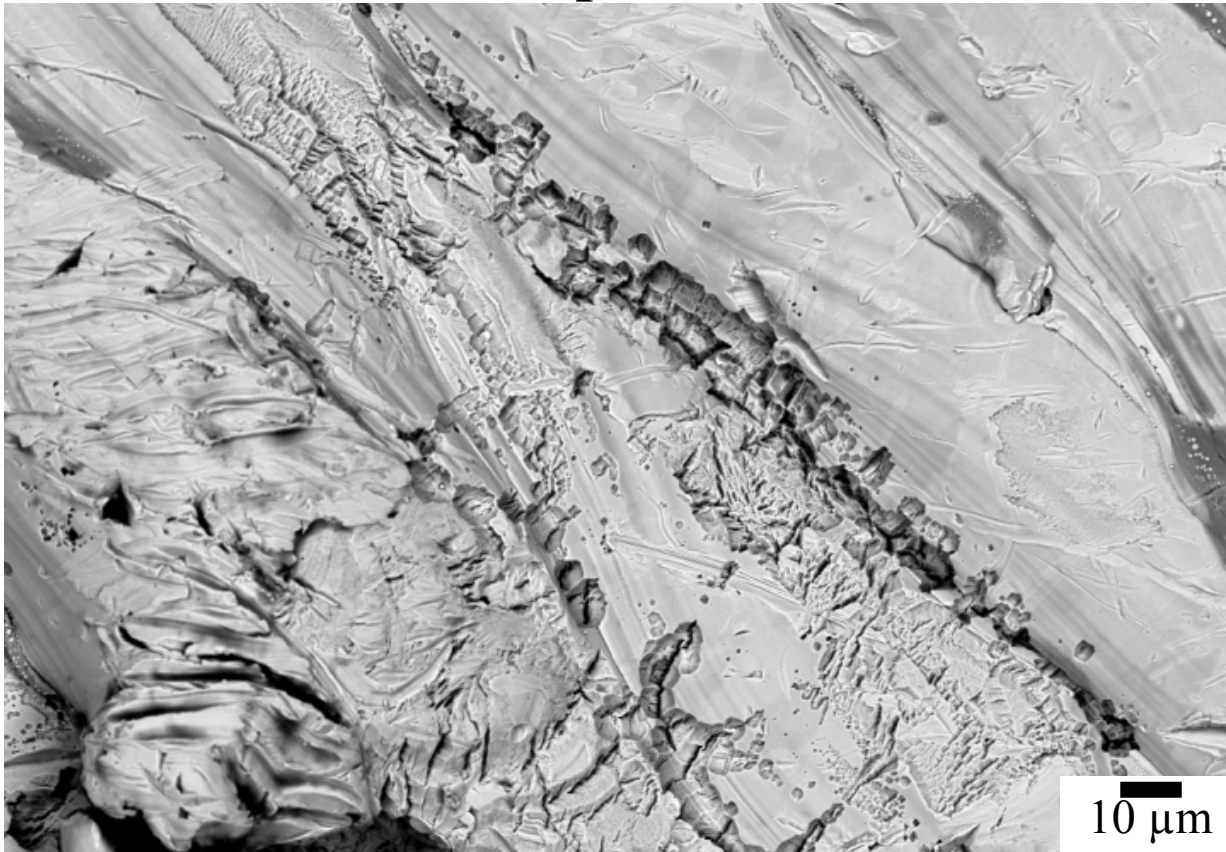
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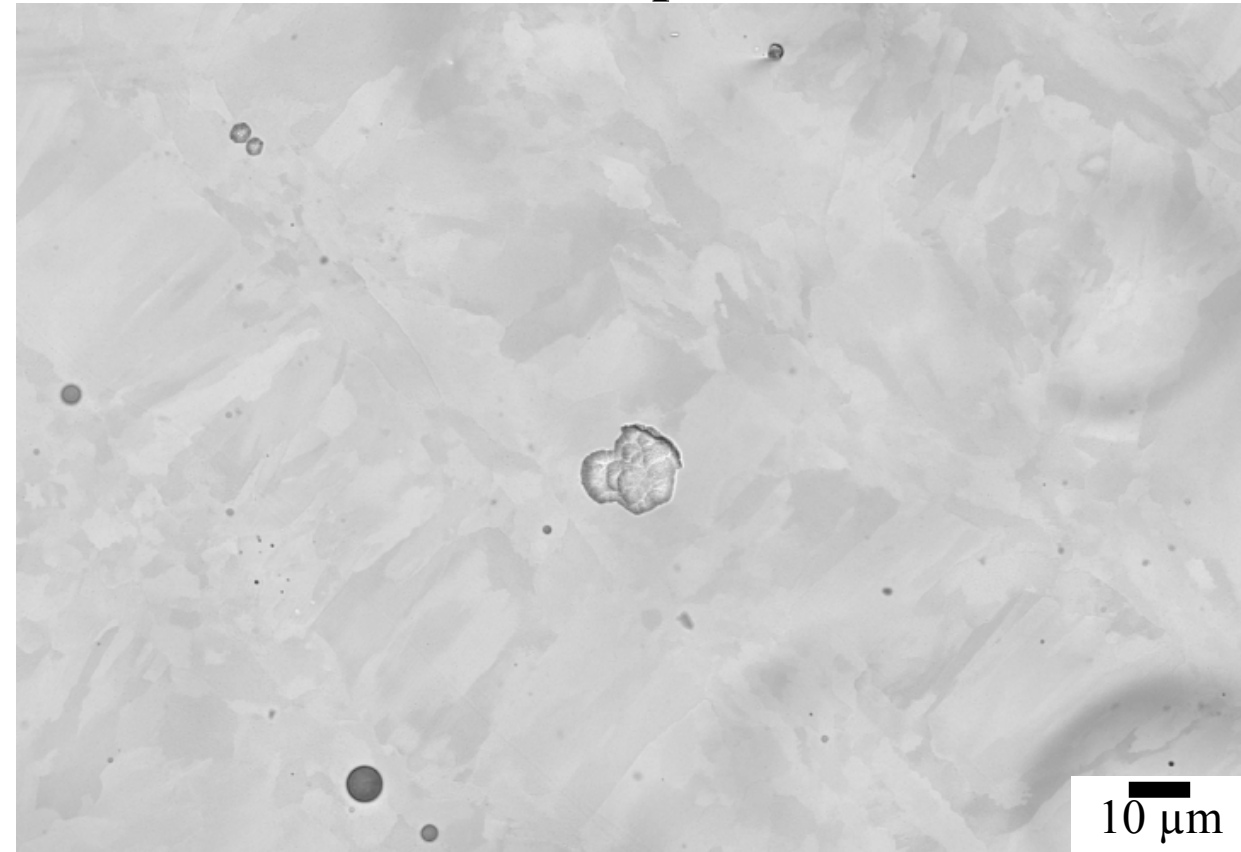
Pit morphology – Top surface



ProX 200
As-printed



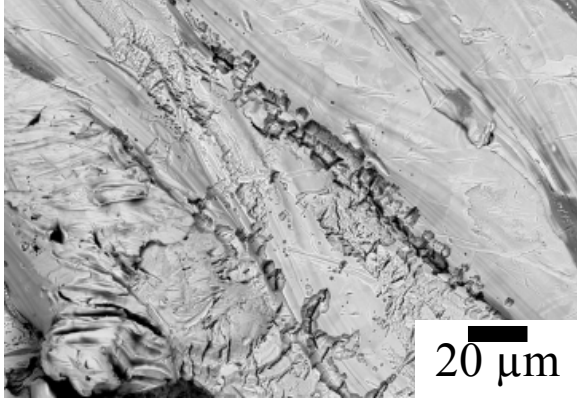
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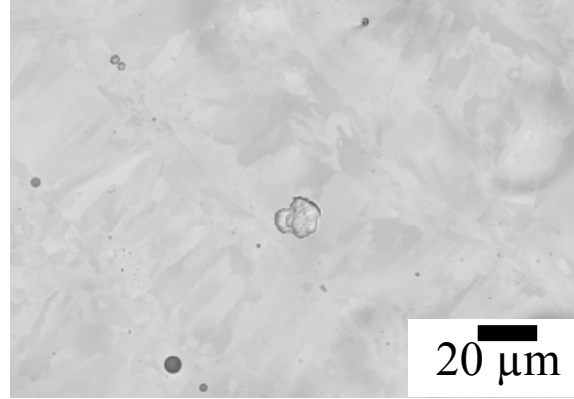
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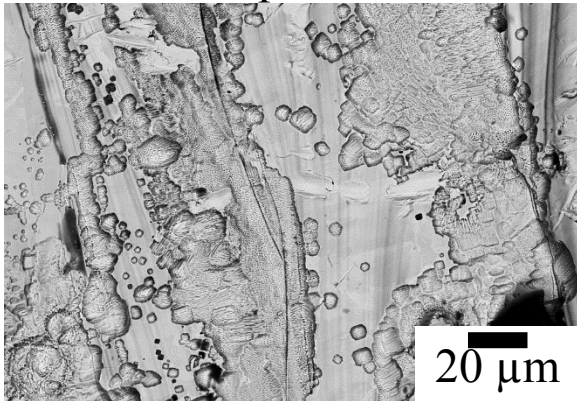
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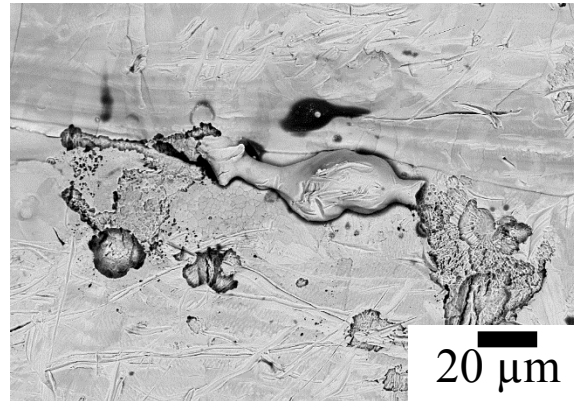
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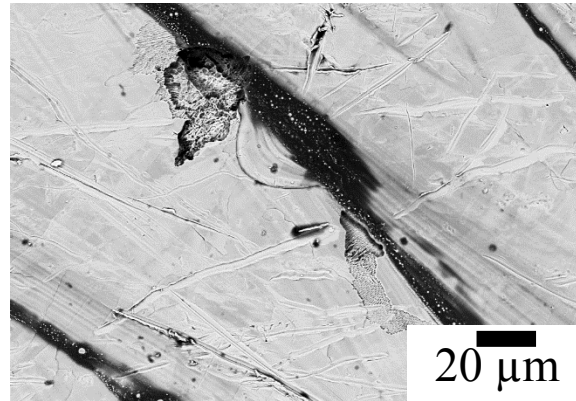
Renishaw
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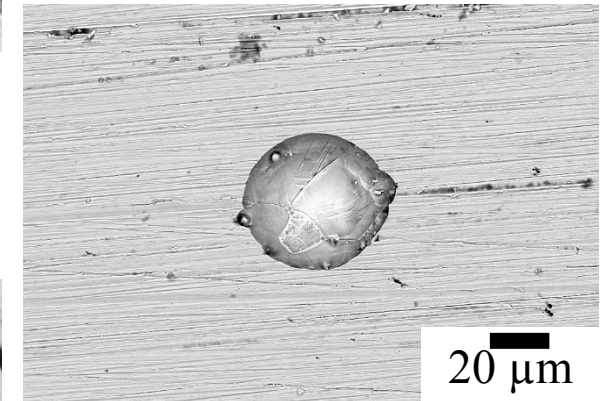
Concept M2
As-printed



SLM®280
As-printed



Wrought surface
was polished



ASTM G85-A2 conclusions (so far)



- Wire EDM as-cut surface had the most aggressive corrosion based on optical analysis.
- Electropolished surfaces were least susceptible to corrosion.
- As-printed samples had different quantities of corrosion based on optical, but similar morphology (many pits appeared to initiate from melt pool boundaries).

Current results correlate well with electrochemical experiments (breakdown potential, etc.).

Thank you for your attention!



Questions...?

Please contact with questions/comments:

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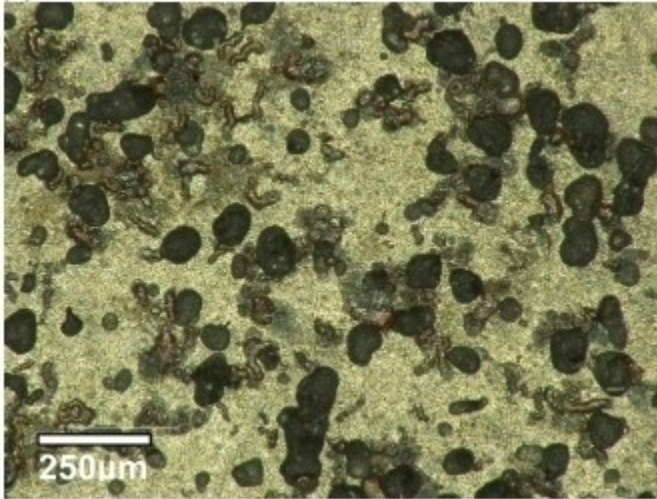
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Background – AM 4340 exposure to ASTM-B117

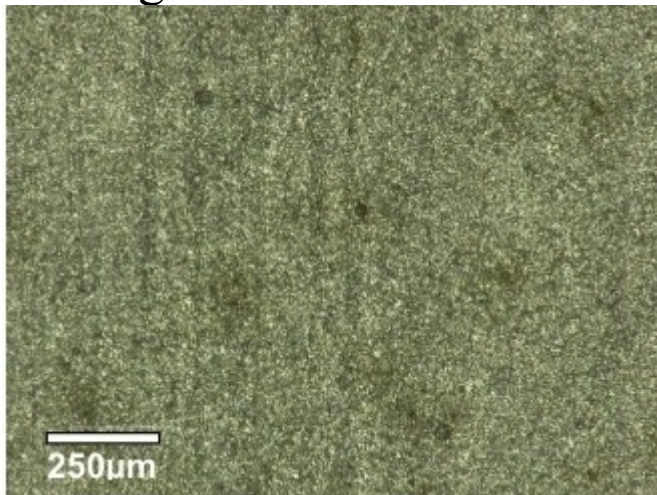


Images after electrochemical tests

AM4340



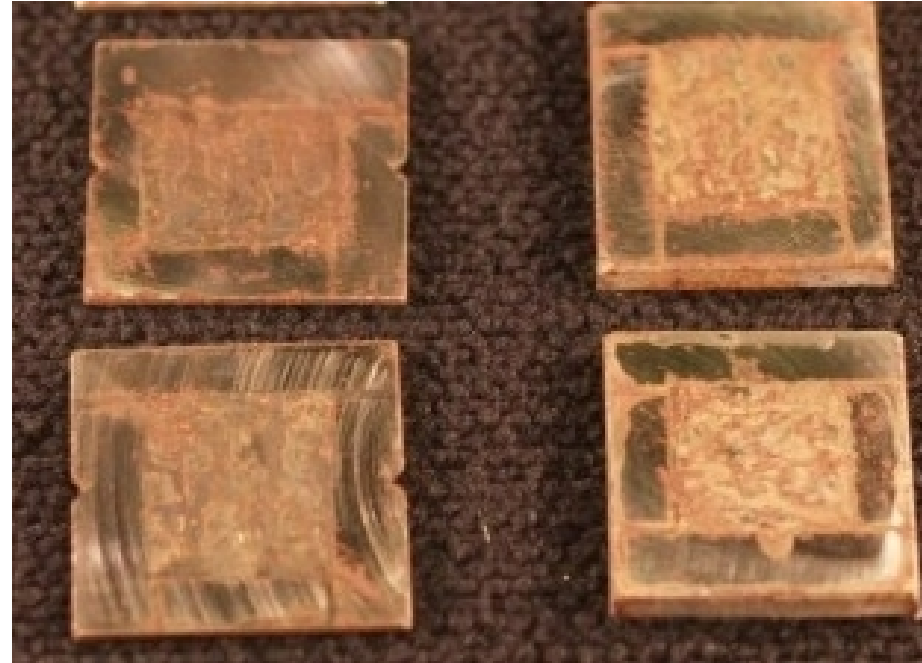
Wrought 4340



Images after 48 hrs of ASTM B117 exposures

AM4340

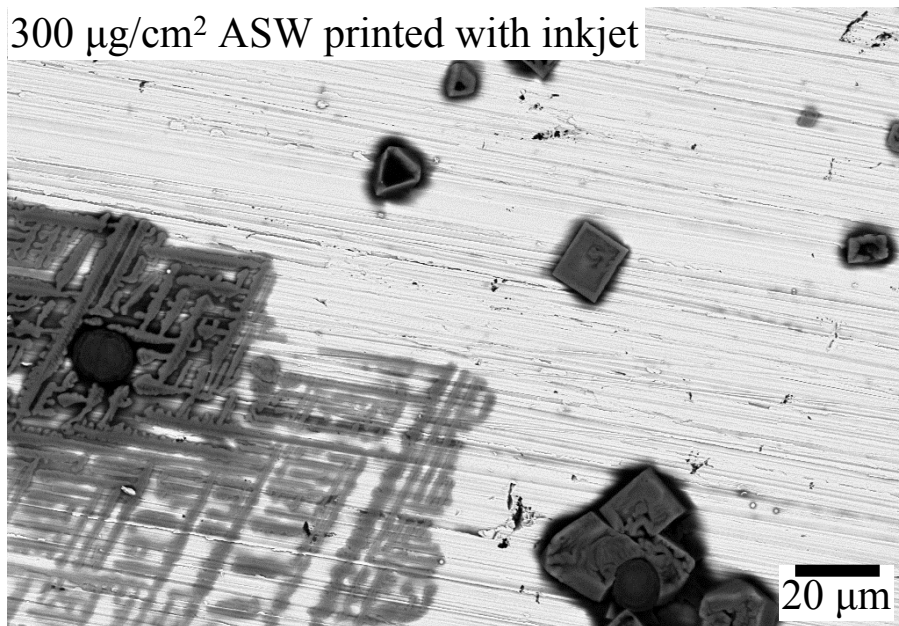
Wrought 4340



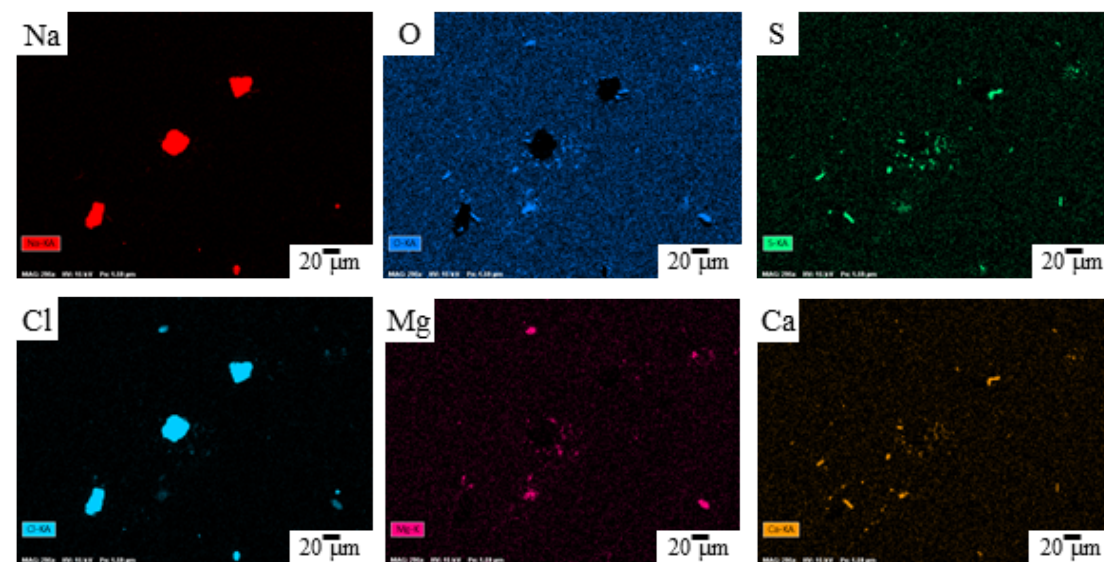
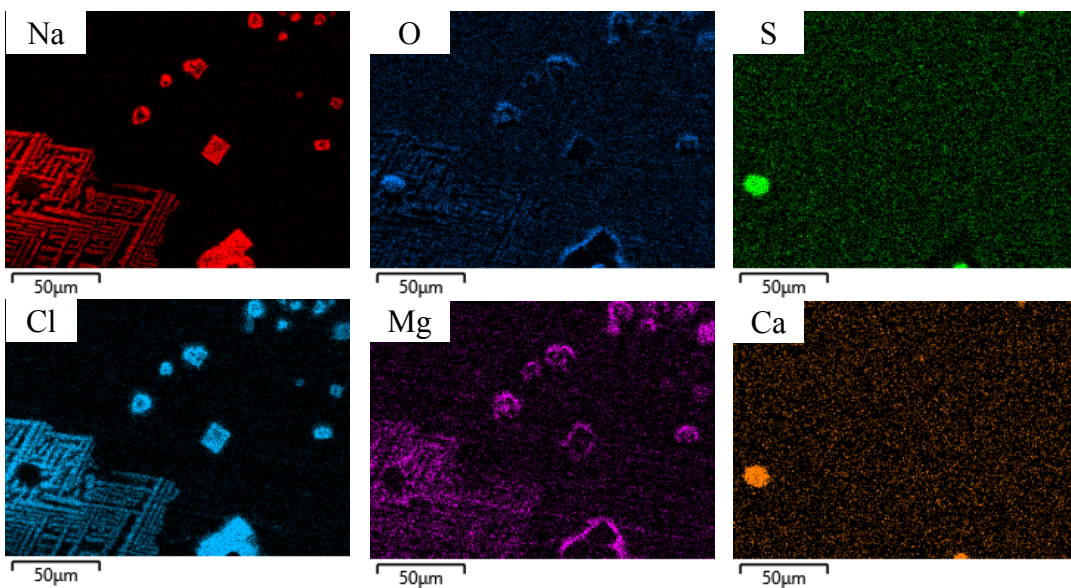
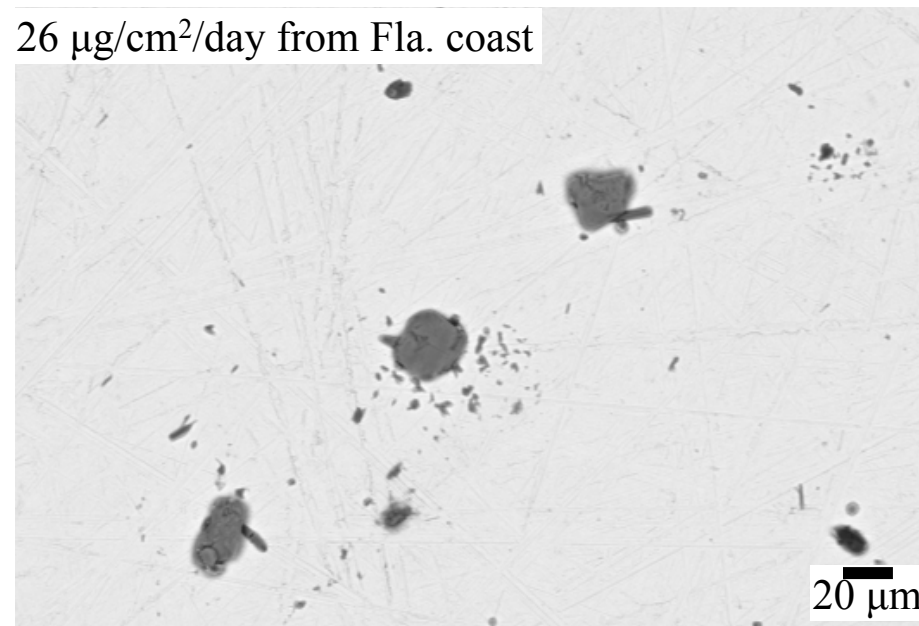
- No noticeable difference in electrochemical response, but surface corrosion morphology was dramatically different.
- Initial ASTM B117 results suggest minimal difference (only analysis was with optical imaging).

Salt deposited on samples

300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ASW printed with inkjet

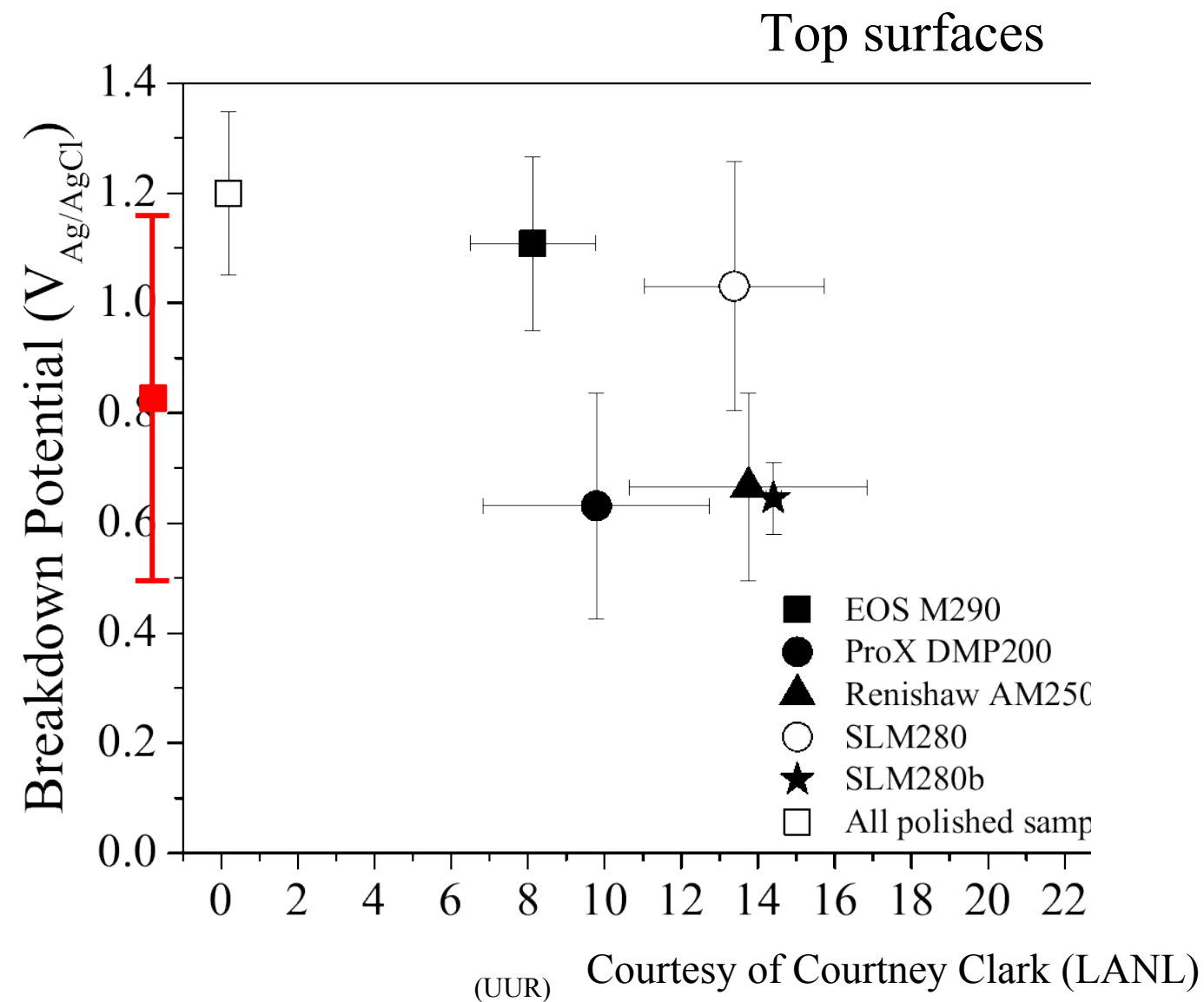


26 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2/\text{day}$ from Fla. coast



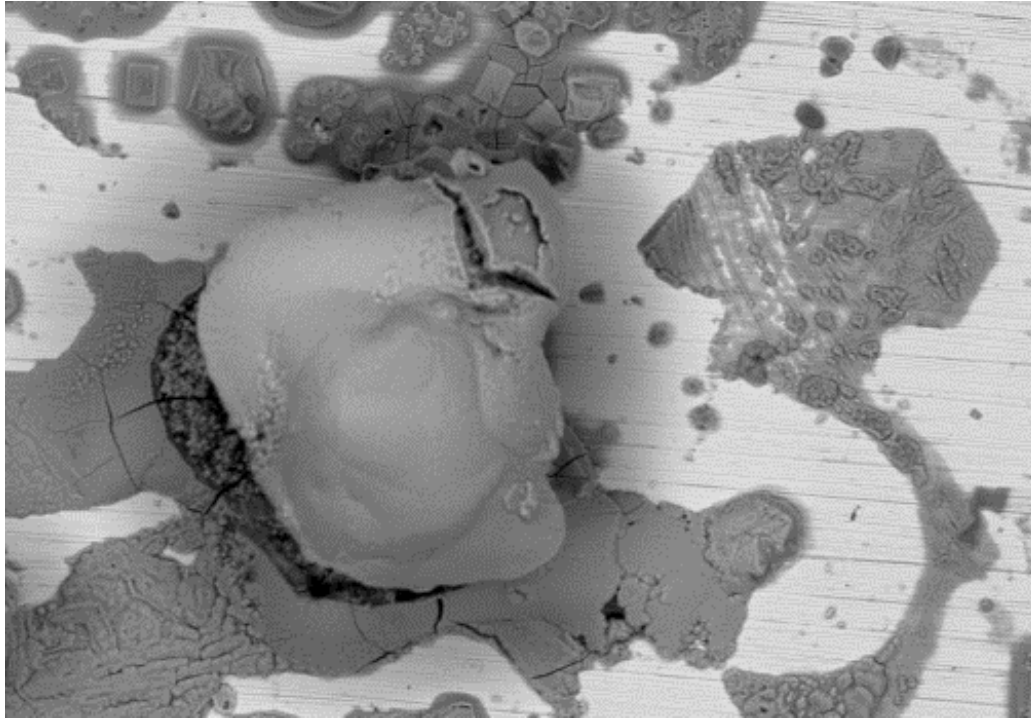


Summary of data from all sites

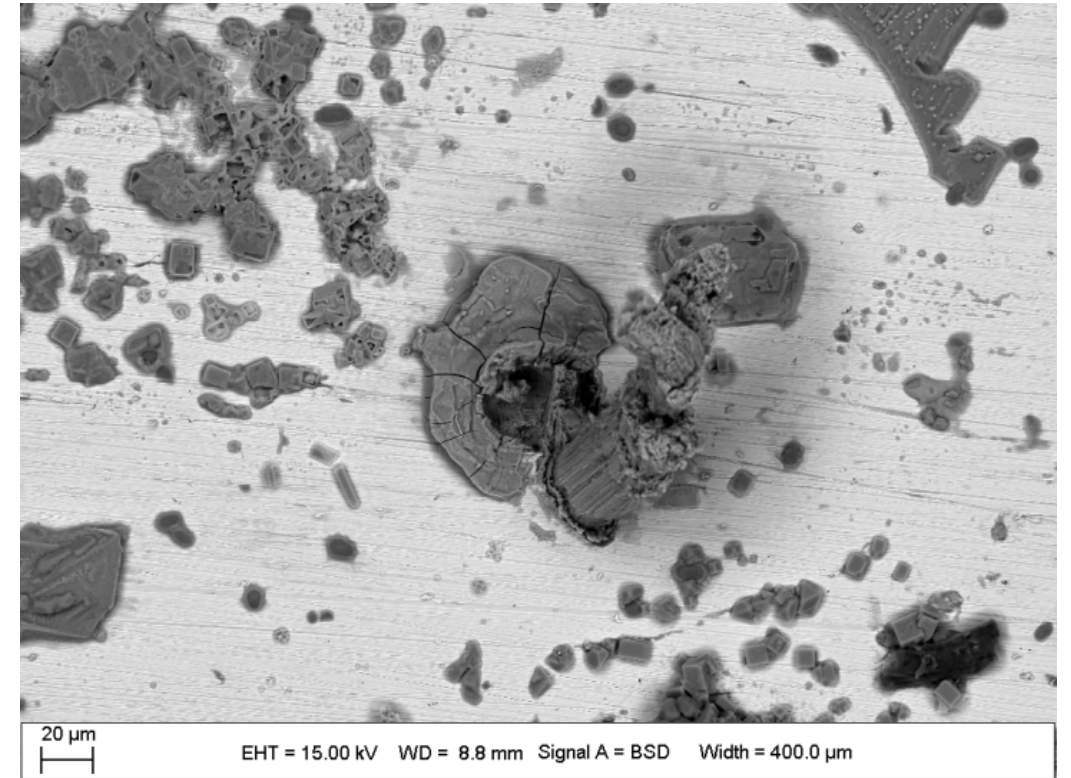




Wrought



AM

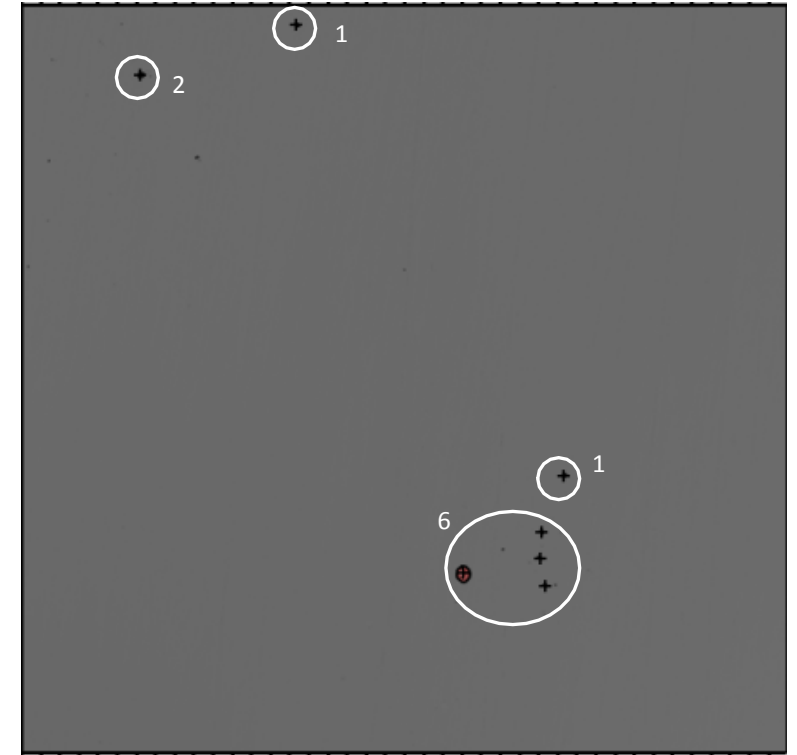
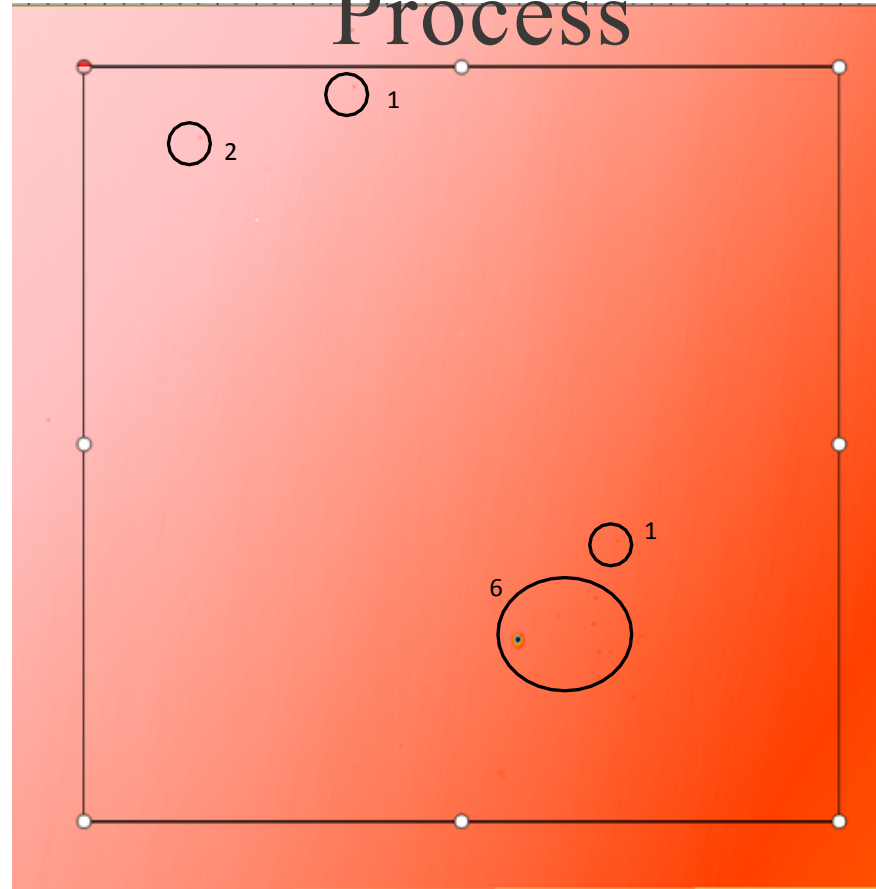


Pit Verification

Raw Data

Process

Processed Data



316L_W_35C_40RH_300ug
ASW_Perp_1wk-Sample51

Mid Mid

The process for pit verification begins by filtering data taken from a Particle Analysis in MountainsMap. The filtering criteria depends on the Maximum Height (Depth) of a pit exceeding $0.2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ and the Volume/Area ratio exceeding $0.2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$.

Once the data is filtered, the remaining particles are verified by comparing the raw data to the processed data. Through visual inspection, the particles are verified to be pits.

The particles that were considered pits through the filtering process are outlined in the above images. The numbers next to the circles indicate the amount of pits located within the circle. For example, the largest circle contains 6 pits. This results in a total of 10 pits.

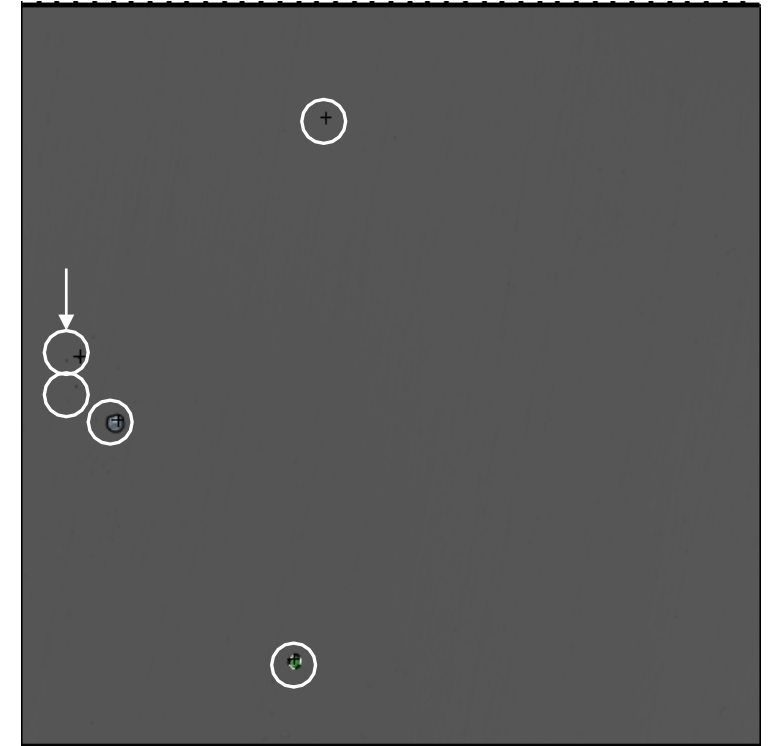
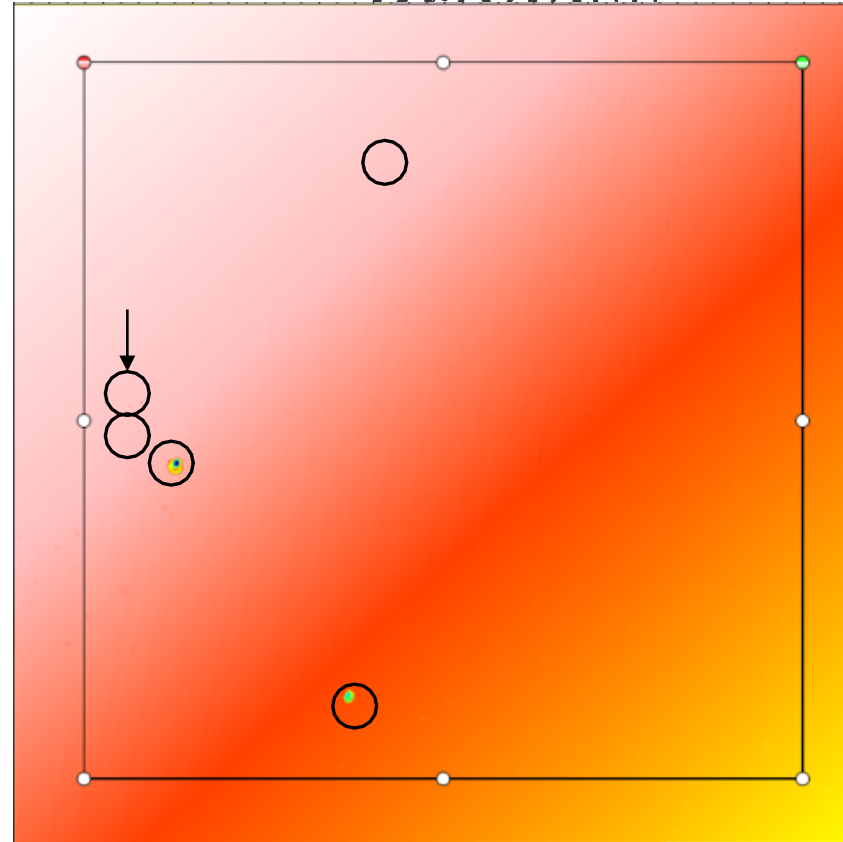
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Pit Verification

Raw Data

Processed Data

316L_AM_35C_40RH_300
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Mid Mid



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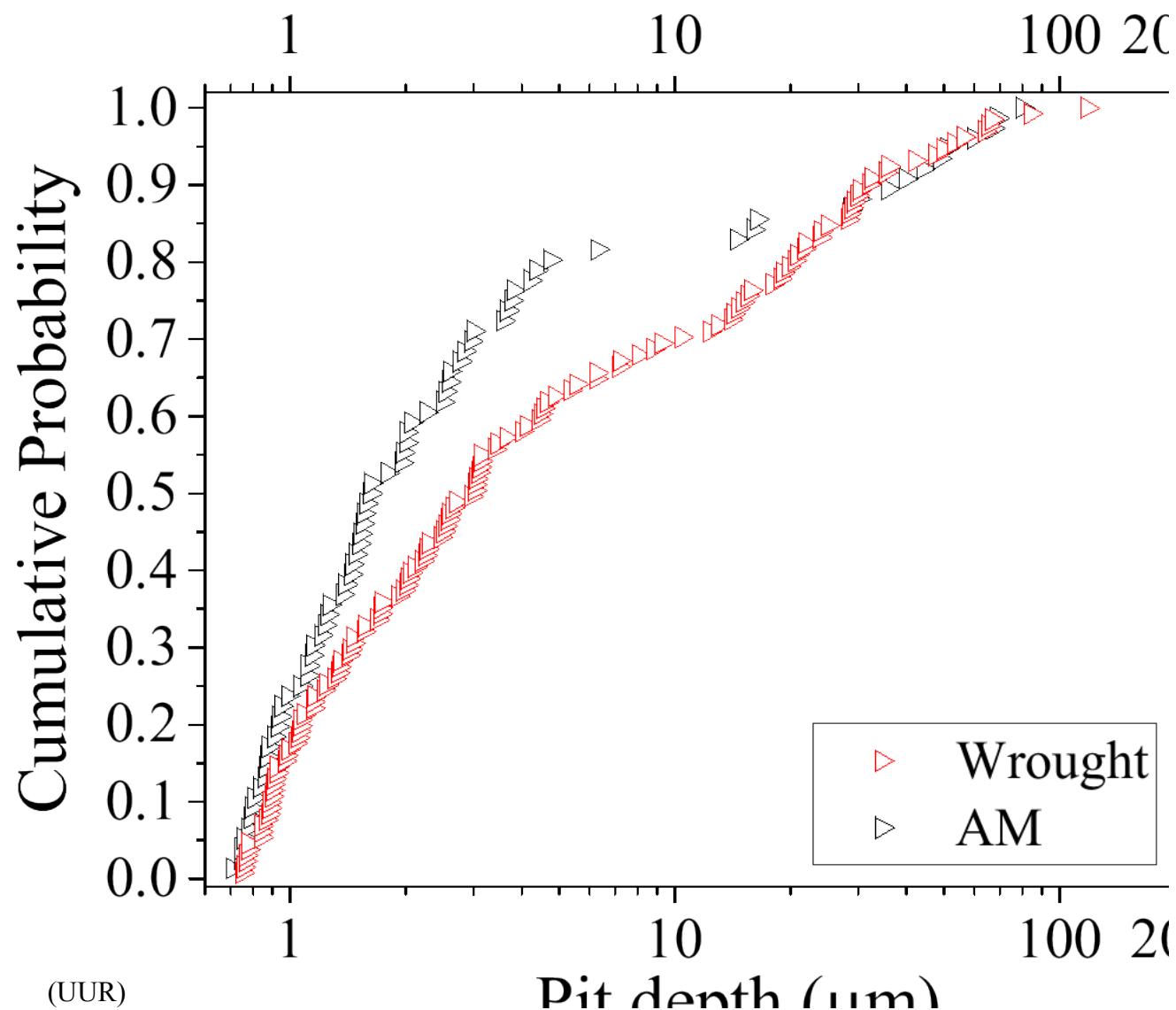
Wrought

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1 week	2.9	35.1
1 month	7.0	41.8
6 months	6.3	58.5
12 months	11.7	118.1

AM

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12 months	9.4	80.2

12 months – Pit depth





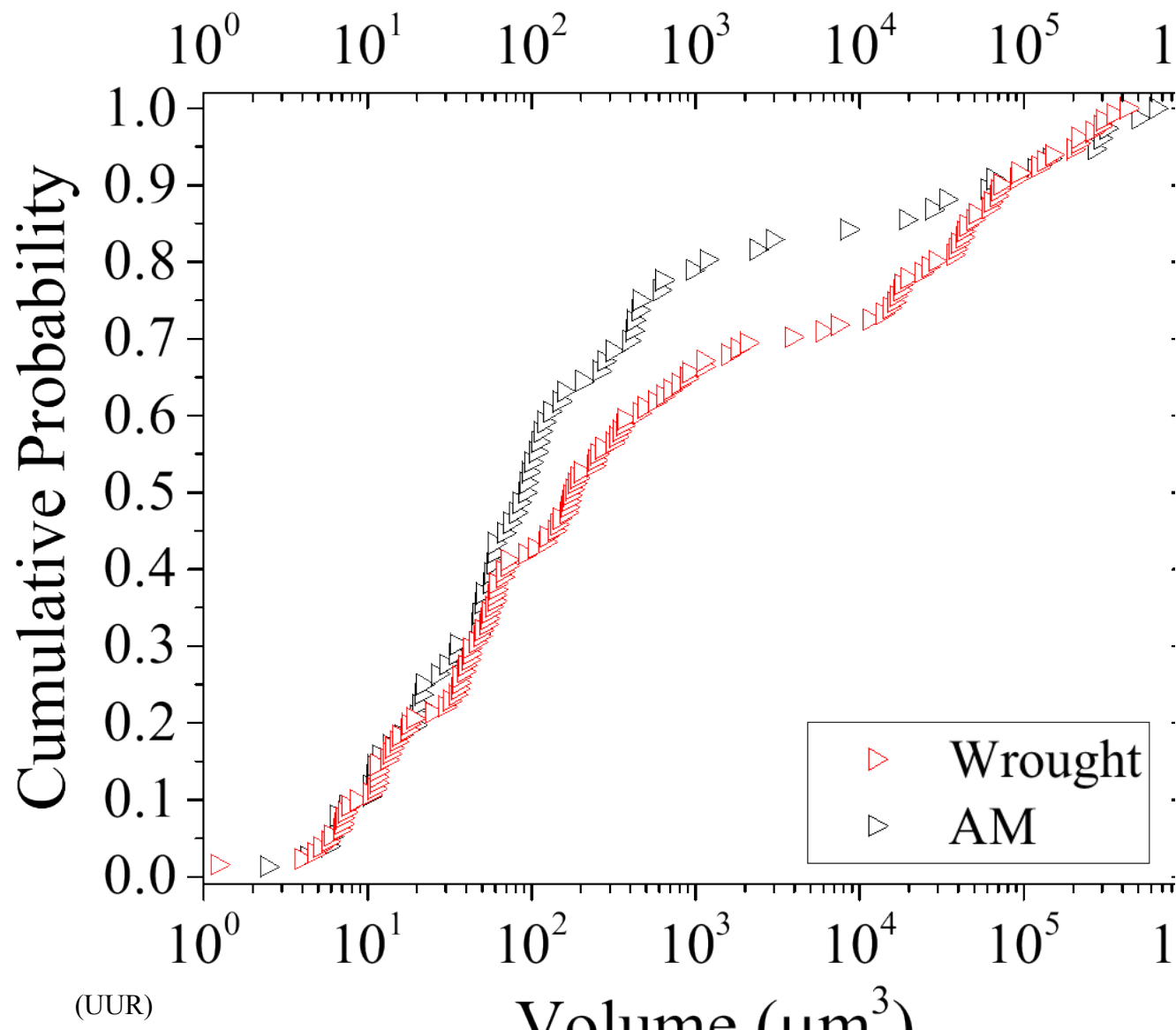
12 months – Pit volume

Wrought

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1 week	1.15×10^5	50
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12 months	2.75×10^6	96

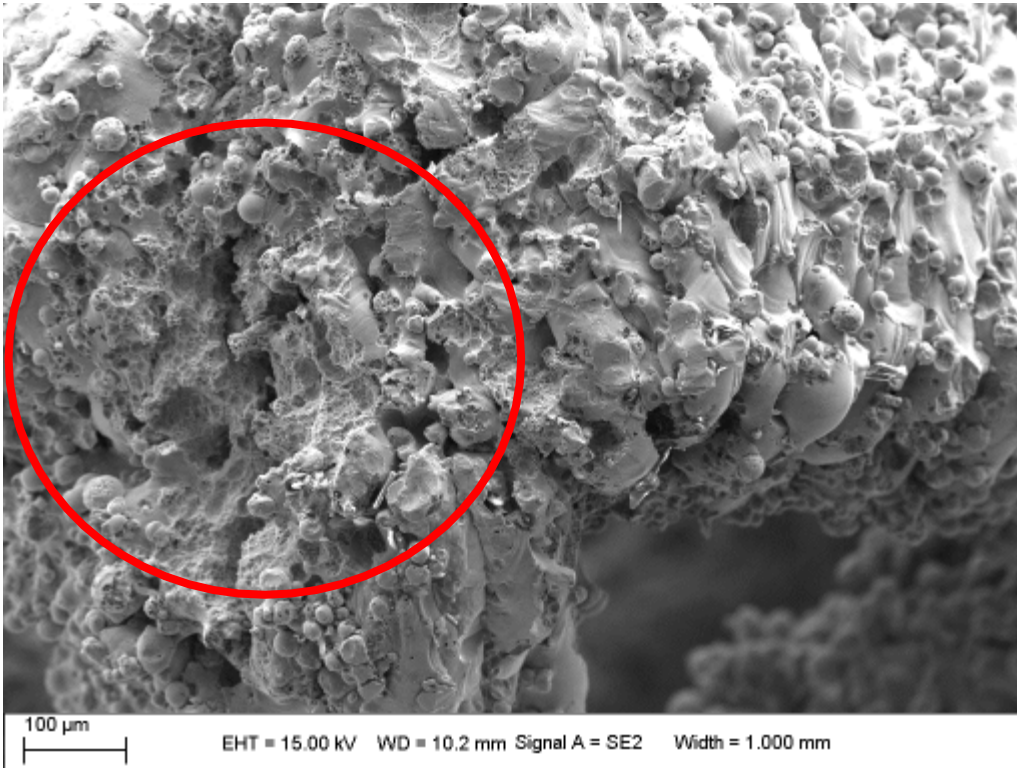
AM

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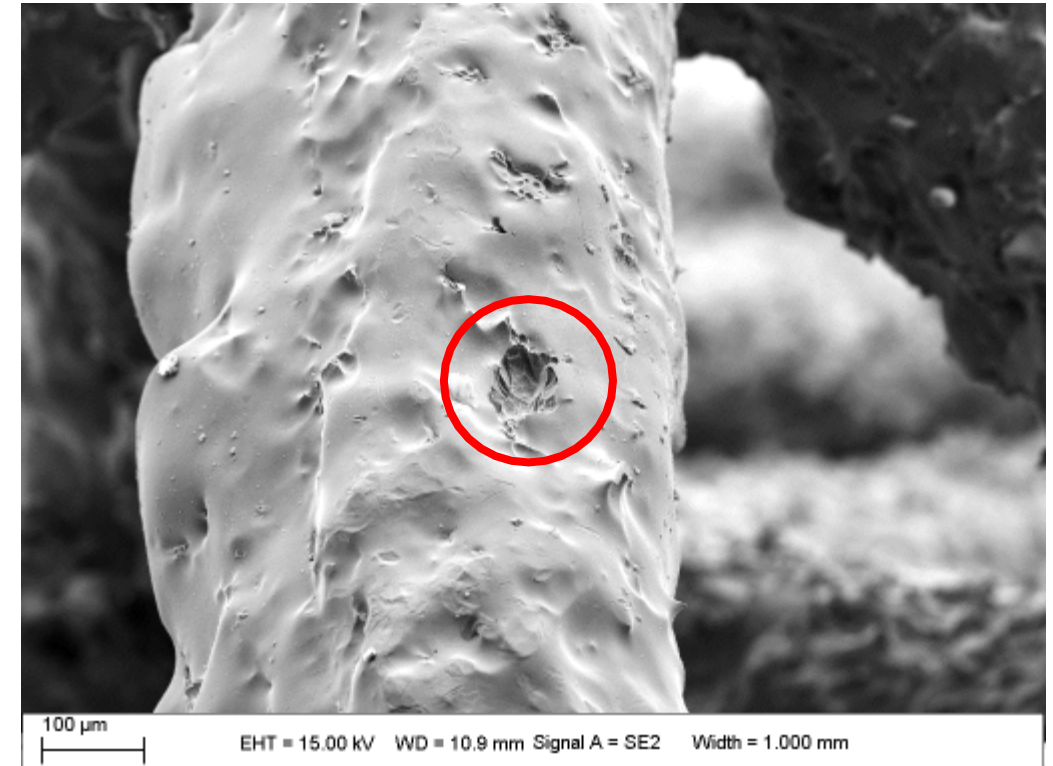


Pit morphology - Lattices

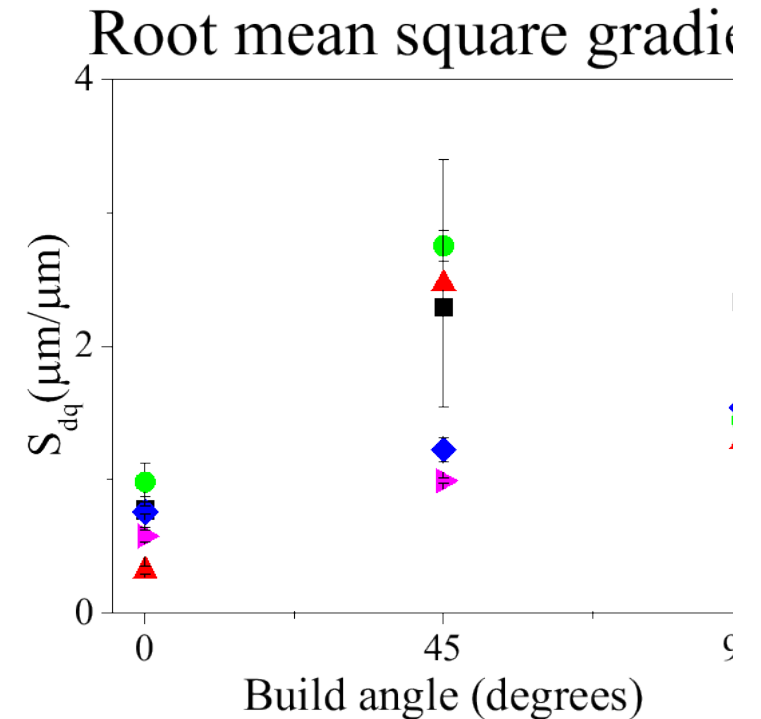
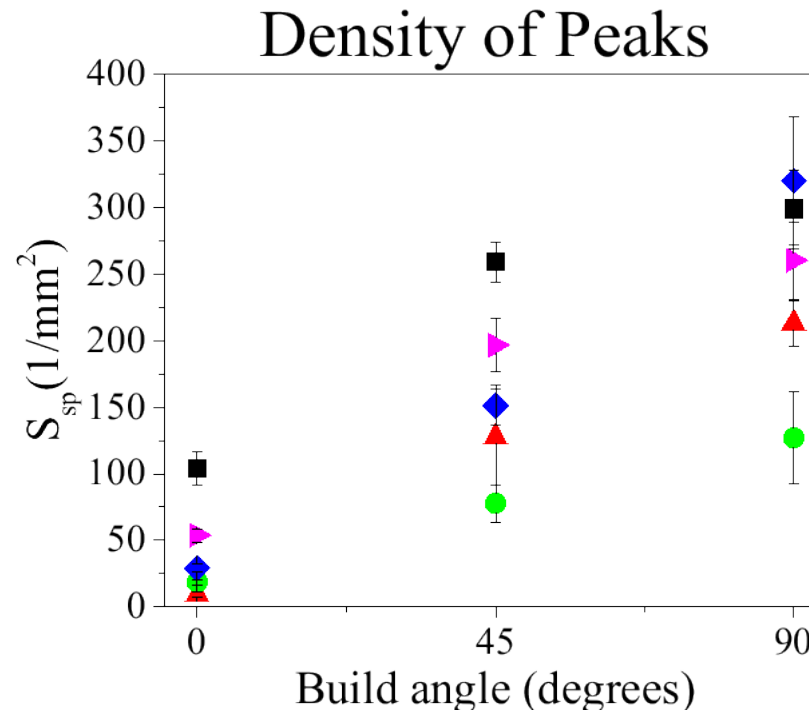
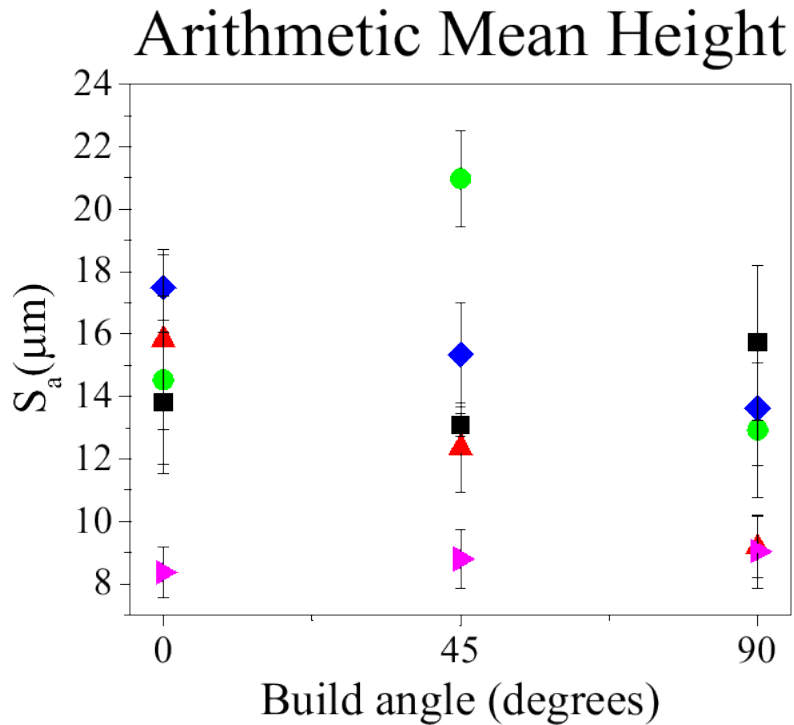
ProX 200
As-printed



ProX 200
Electropolish



49 Zygo measurements from all material

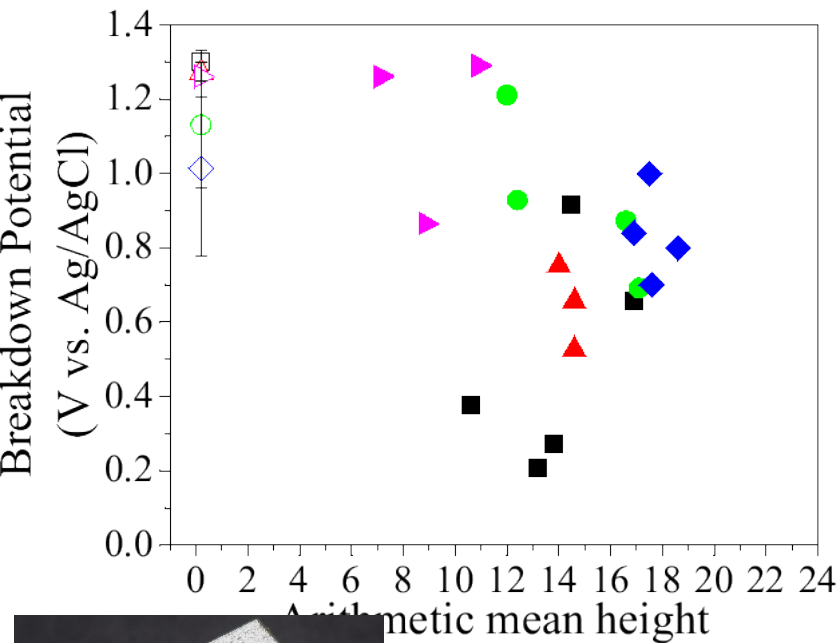


- ▲ SLM 280b
- SLM 280
- ▶ EOS M290
- ProX DMP200
- ◆ Renishaw AM250

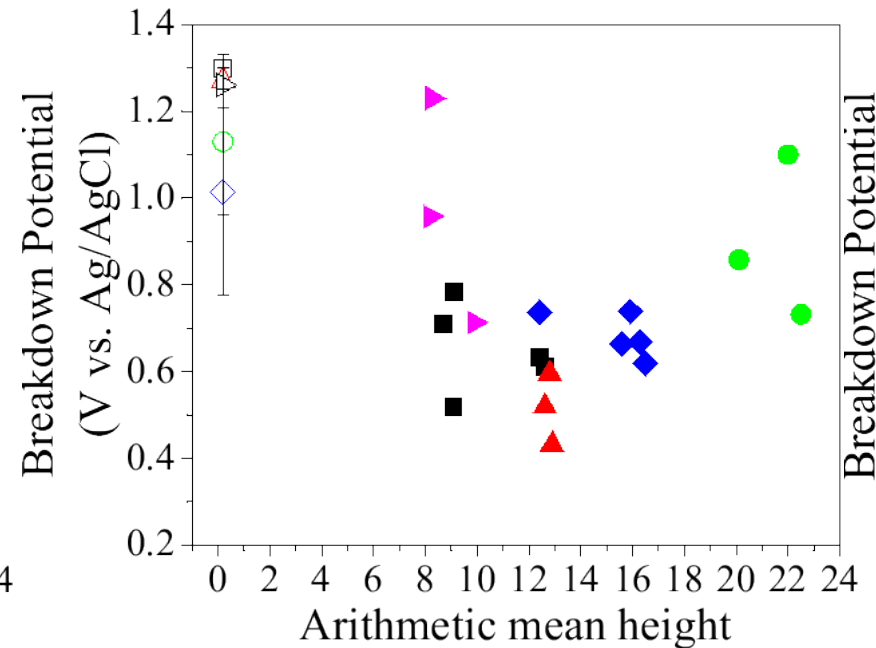
- Without any filtering (but some data processing), S_{pd} shows a linear trend with respect to build angle for all printed machines.
- The S_a values are generally all dissimilar when comparing machine to machine (influence from waviness).

Summary of Breakdown potential (E_B)

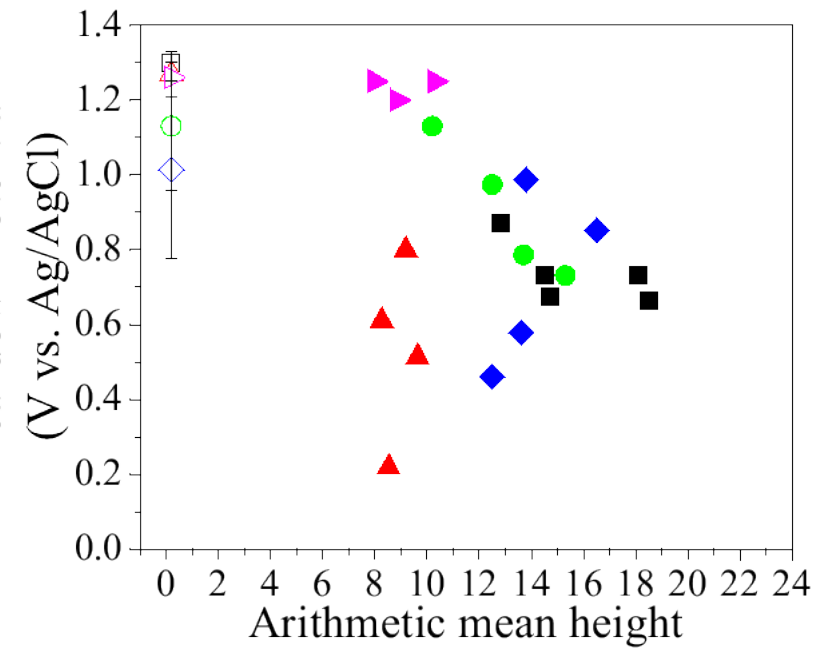
Top Surfaces



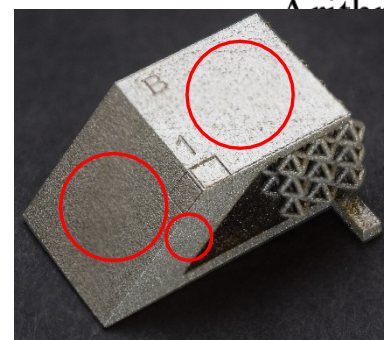
Upskin Surfaces



Side Surfaces



- ProX DMP200
 - ▲ SLM280b
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 - ◆ Renishaw AM250
 - ▼ EOS M290
- S_a (μm)



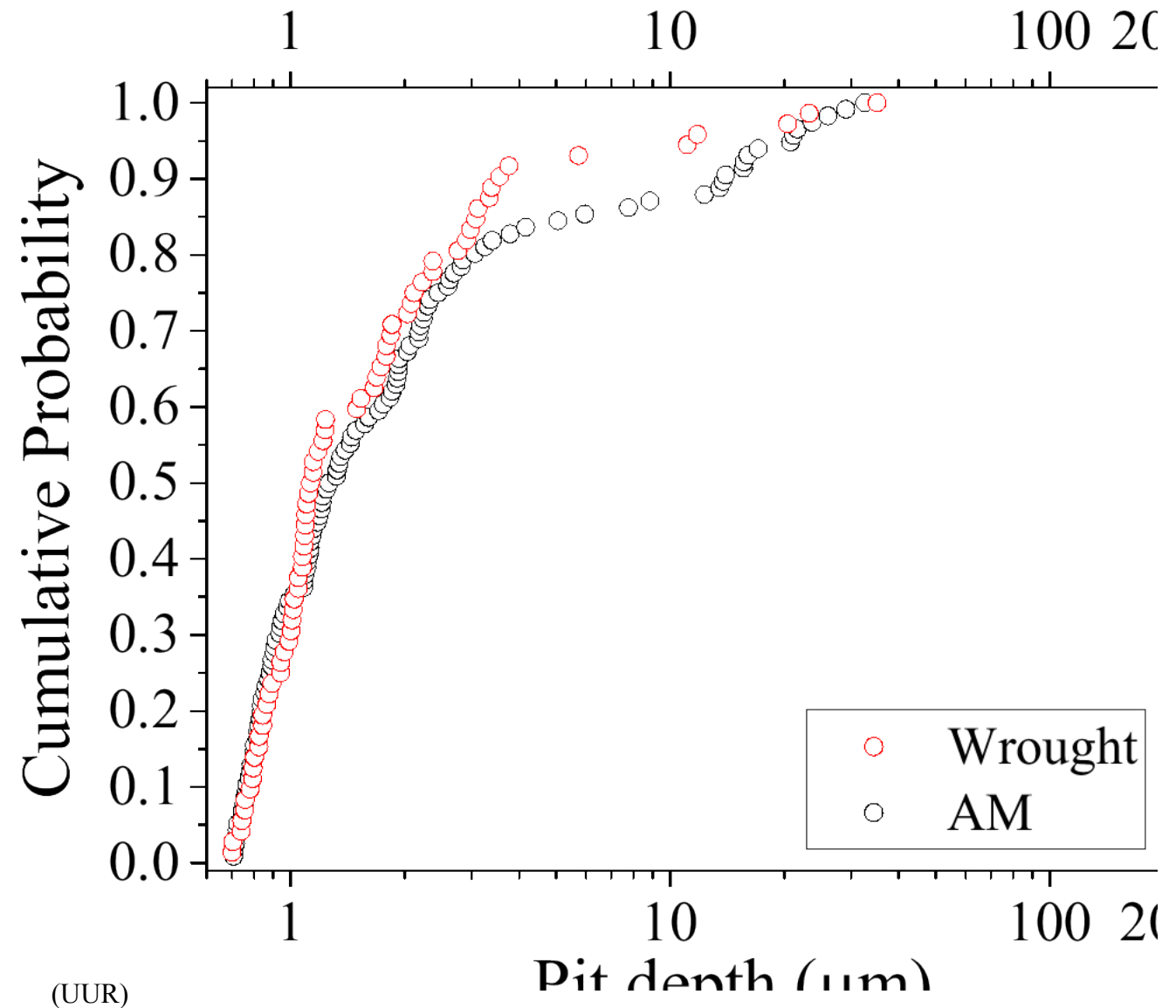
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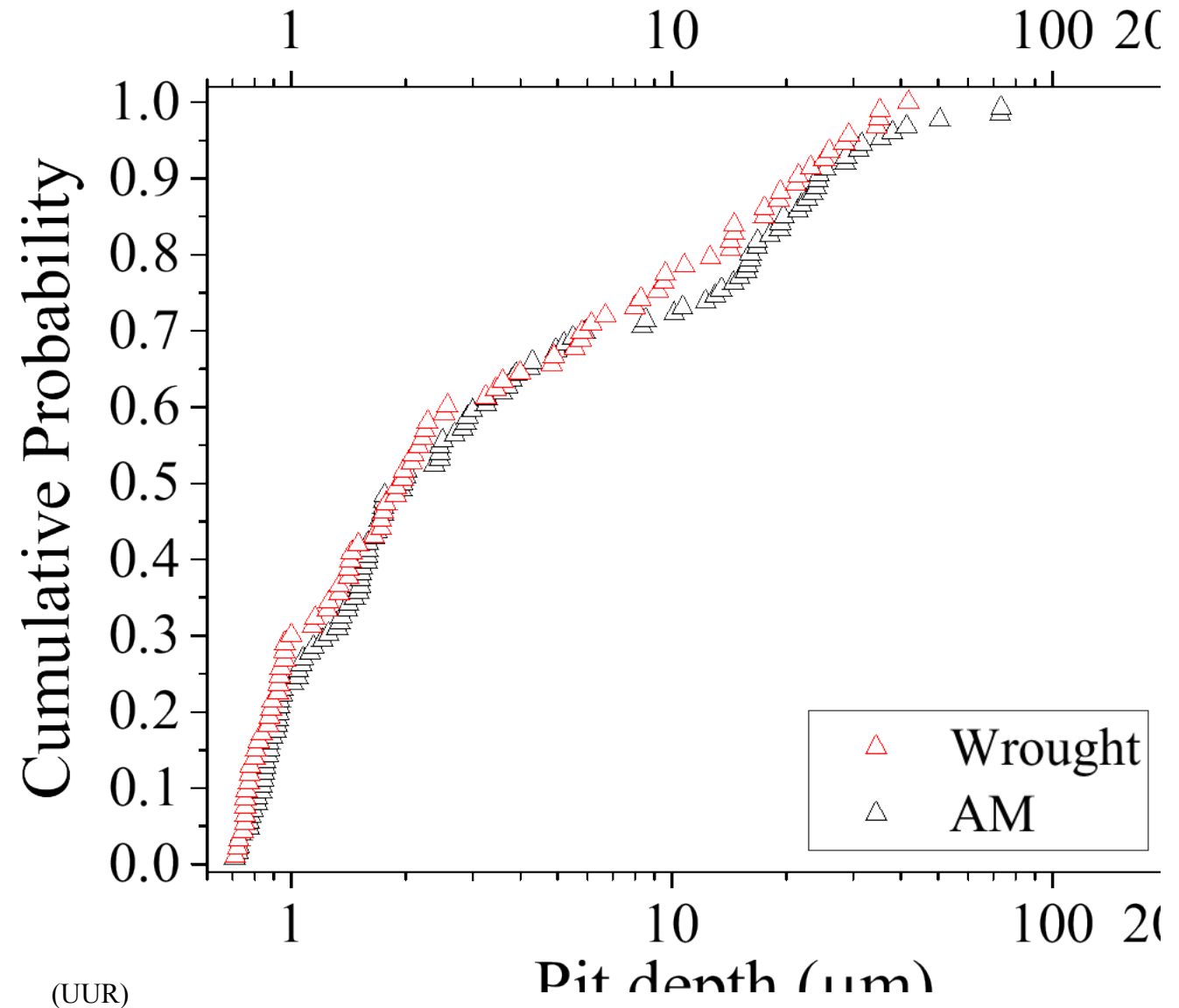
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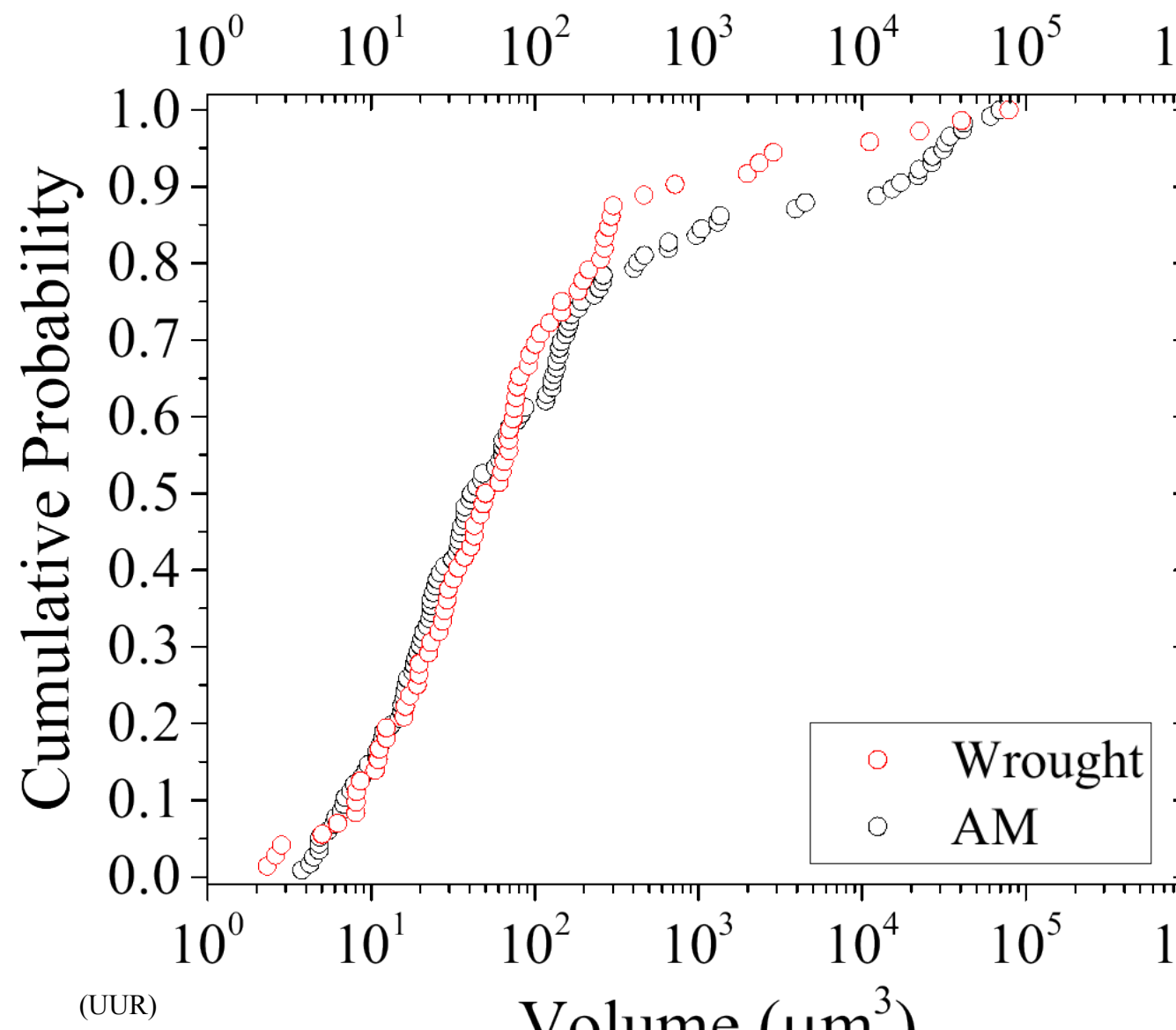
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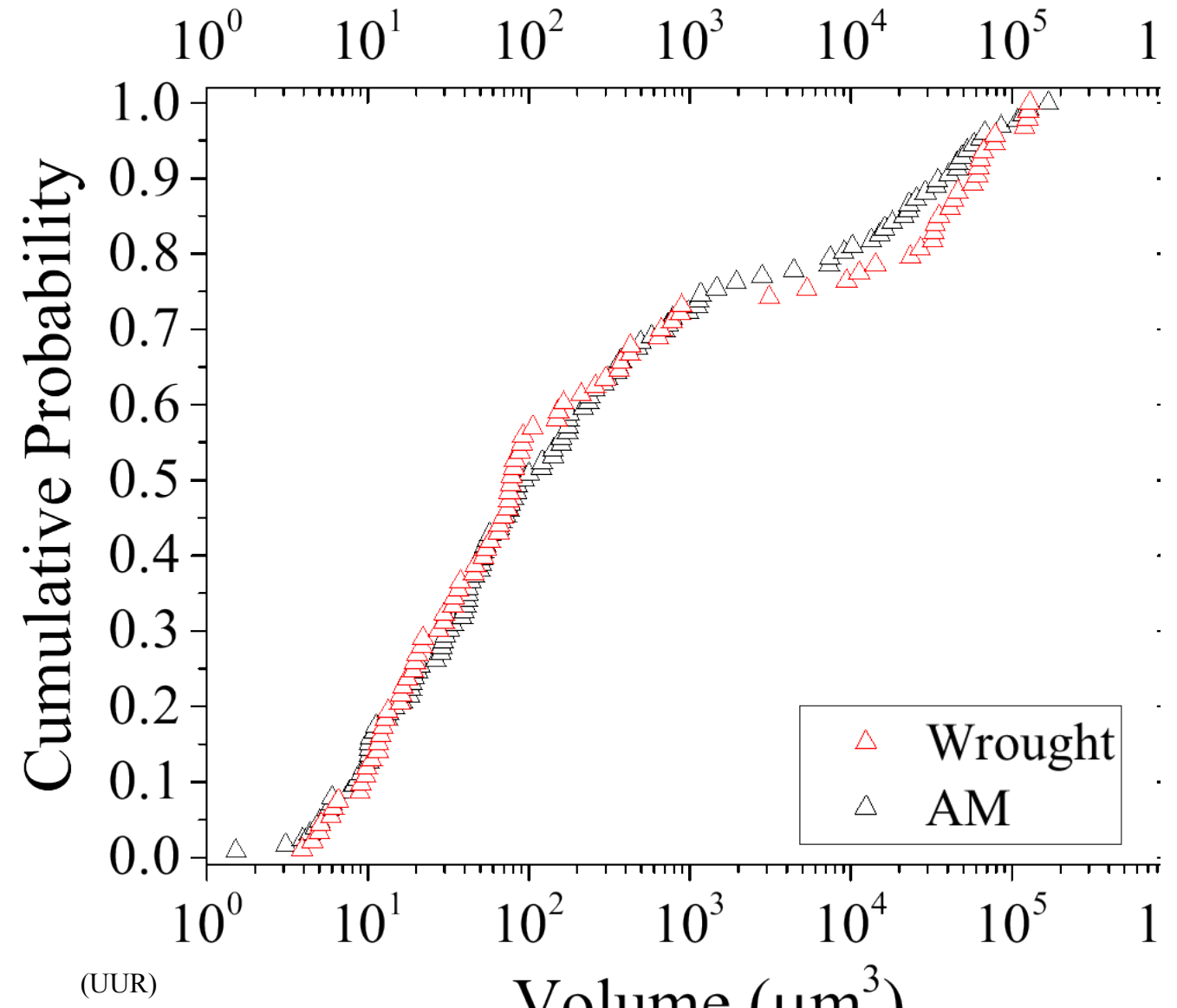
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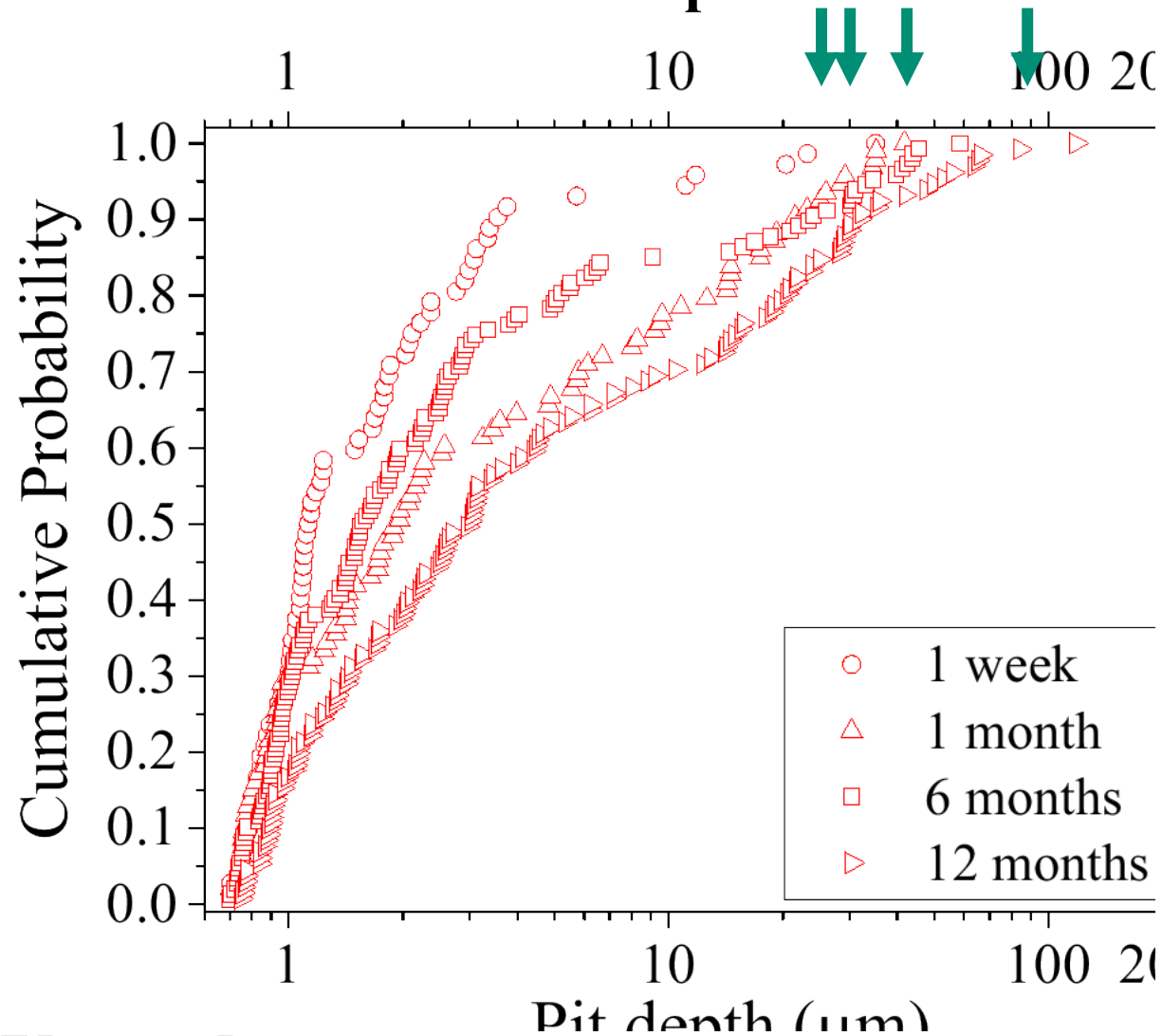
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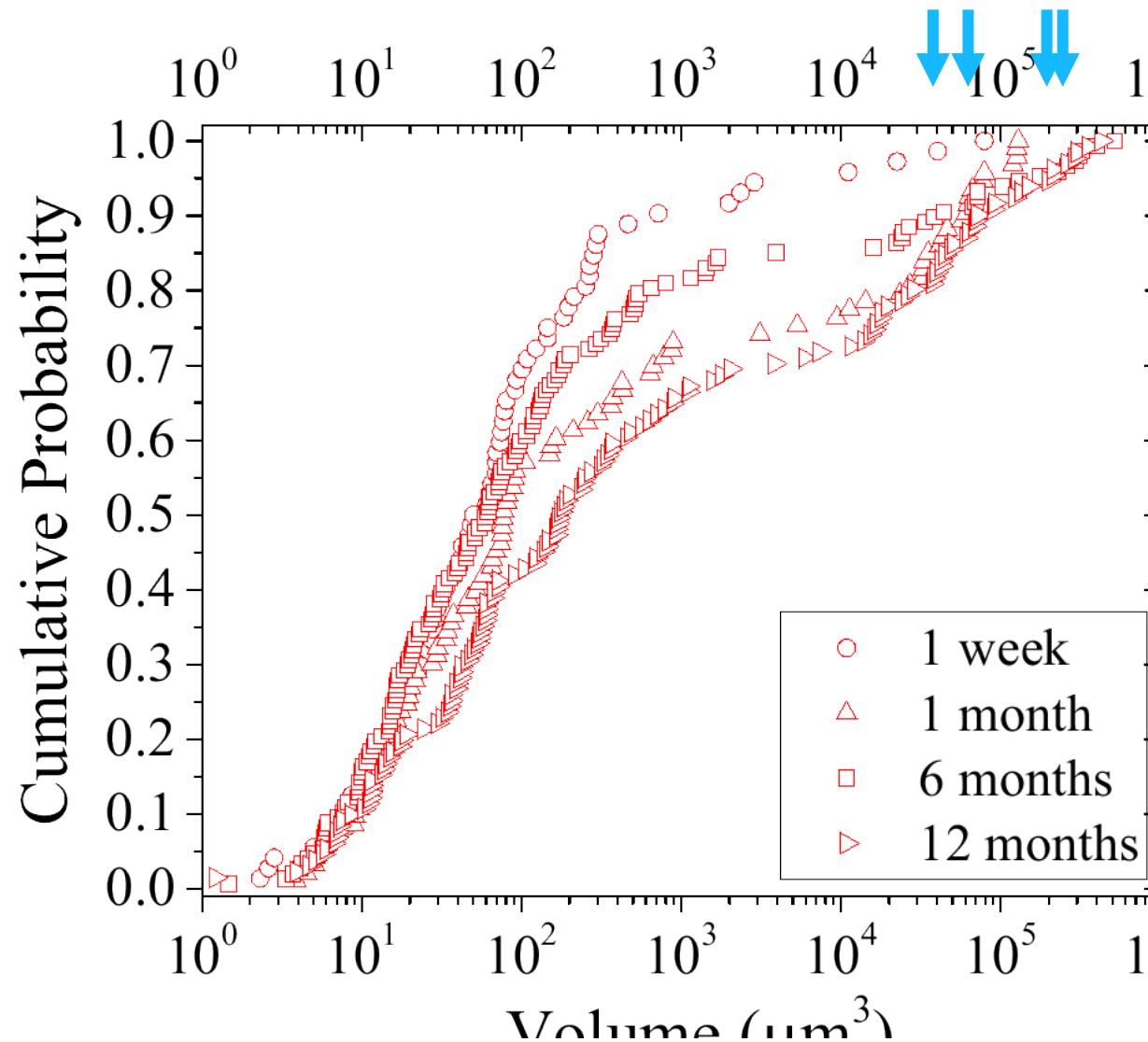
Pit statistics of 316L specimen - 300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ASW at 40% RH



Pit depth



Pit volume



Wrought

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