

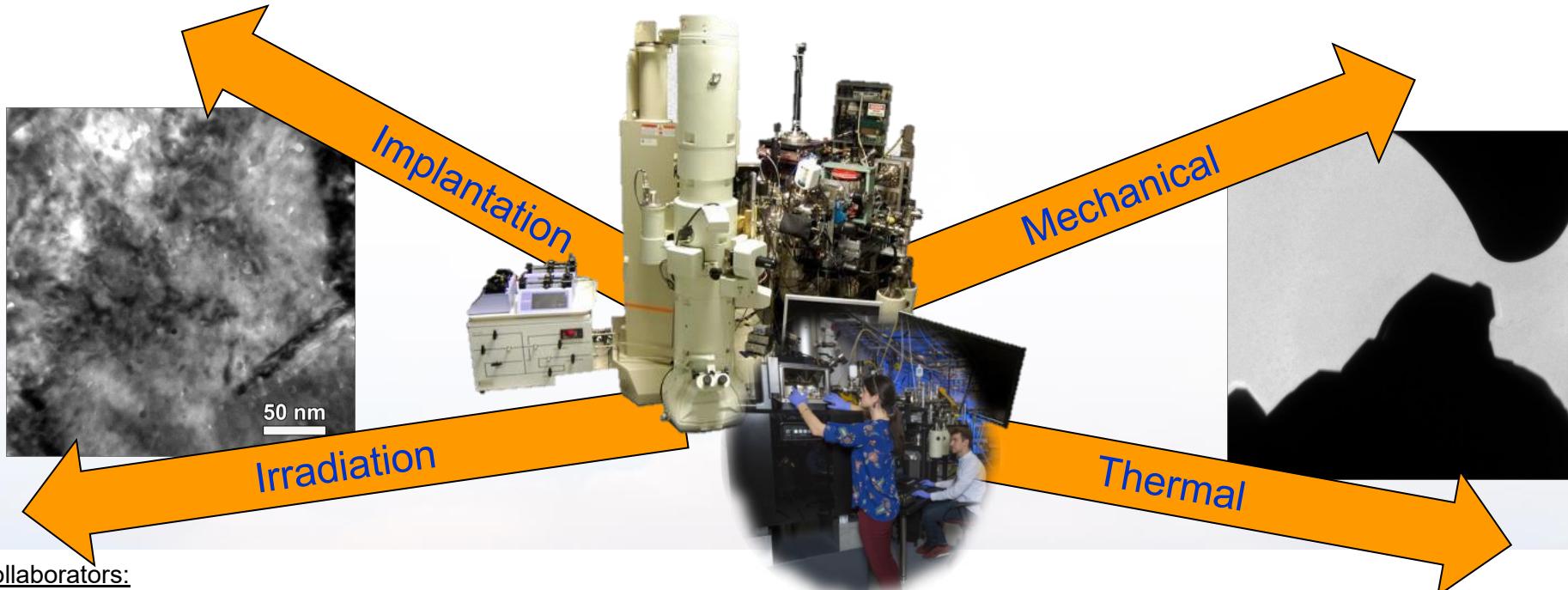
Exploring Thermal, Mechanical, and Electrical Shock via In-situ Electron Microscopy

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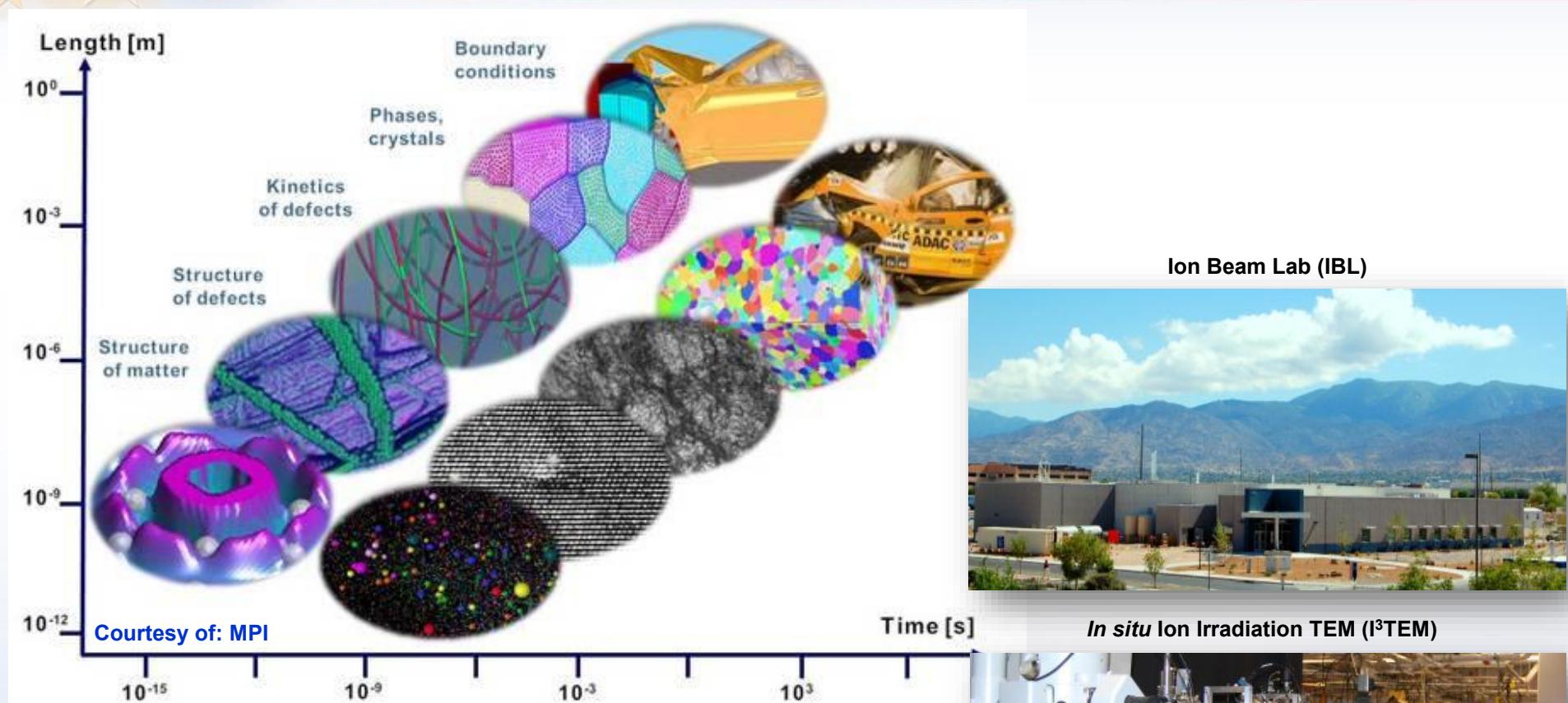
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Investigating the **nm** Scale to Understand the **km** Scale Response of Materials in the Extremes



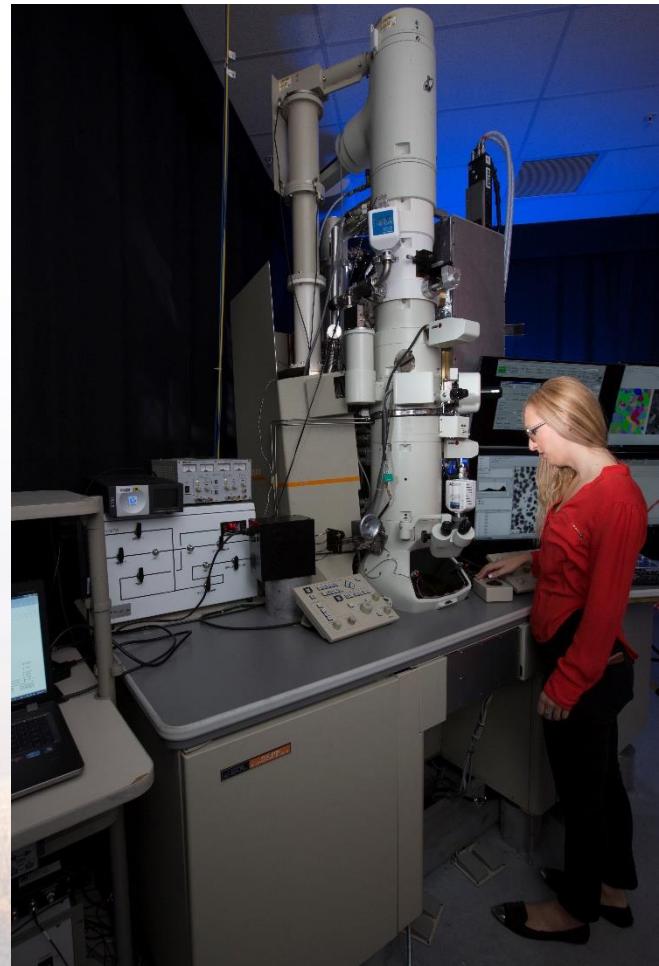
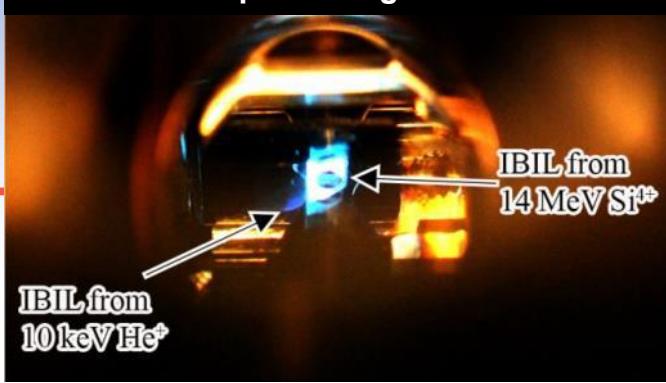
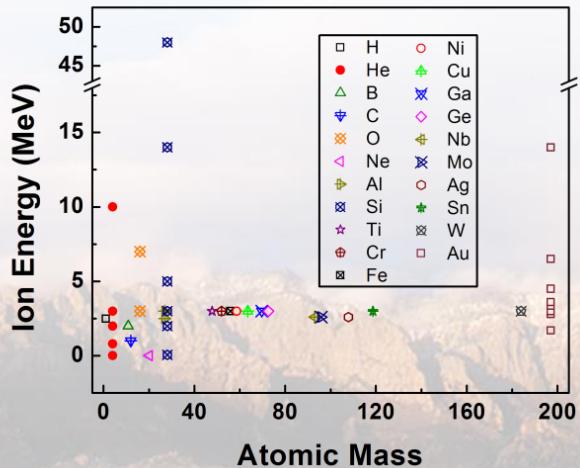
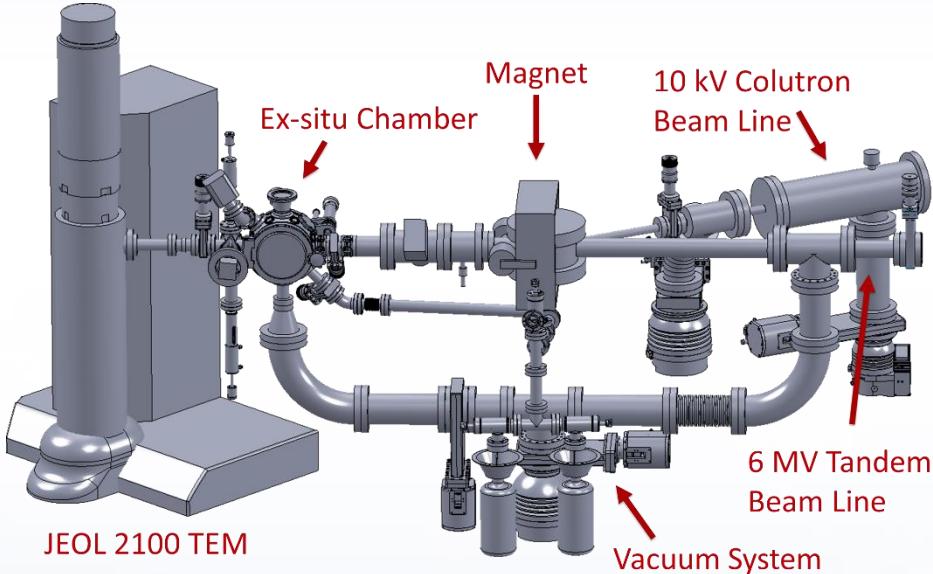
To develop predictive physics-based models, a fundamental understanding of the structure of matter, defects, and the kinetics of structural evolution in the environments of interest are needed



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

Collaborator: D.L. Buller

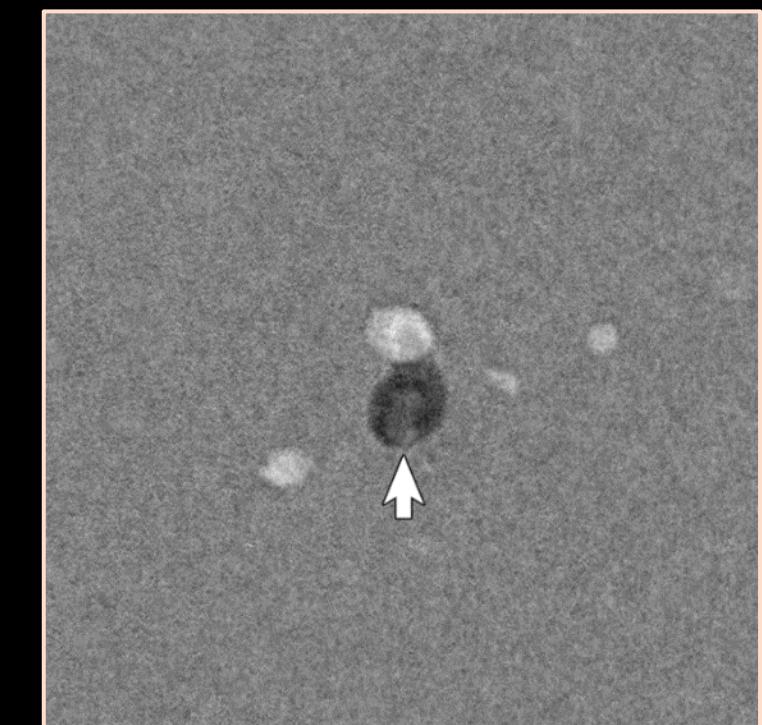
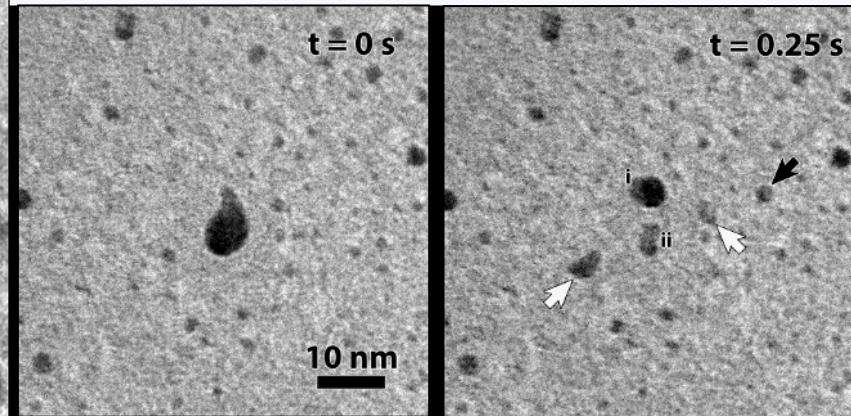
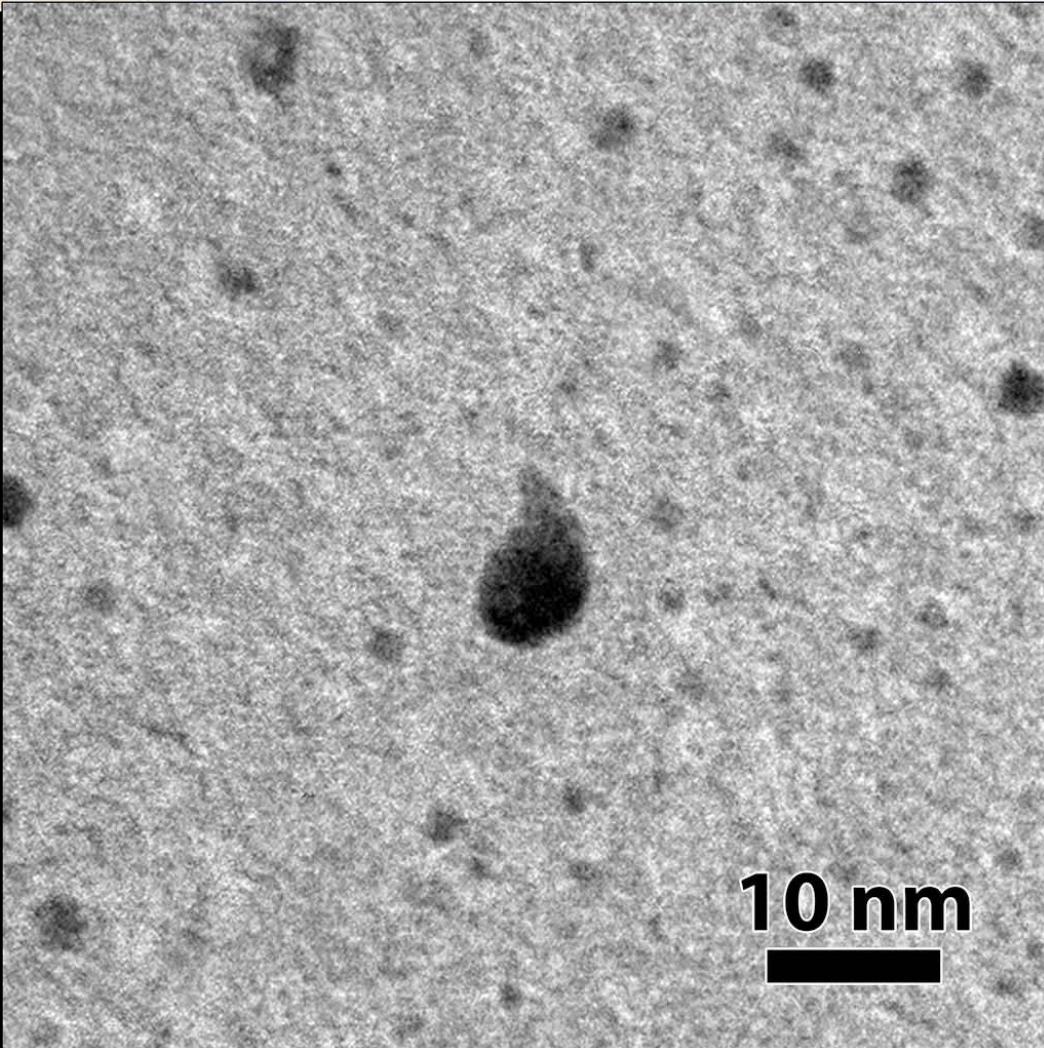
10 kV Colutron - 200 kV TEM - 6 MV Tandem





Single Ion Strikes: 46 keV Au¹⁺ ions into ~5 nm Au nanoparticles

Collaborator: D.C. Bufford



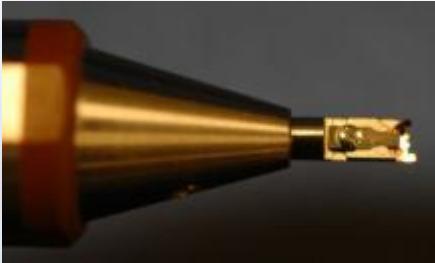
Electron Tomography Provides 3D Insight

Collaborators: S.H. Pratt & T.J. Boyle

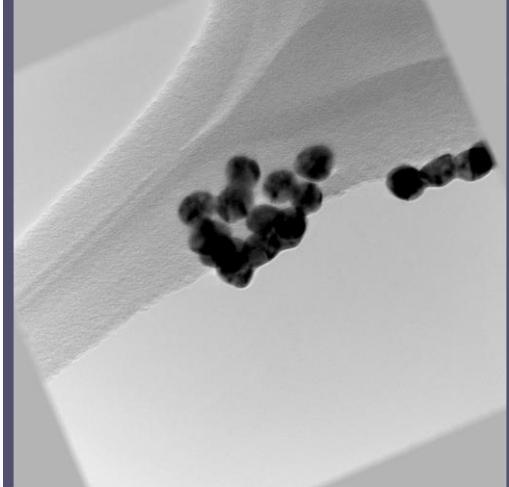
In situ Ion Irradiation TEM (I³TEM)



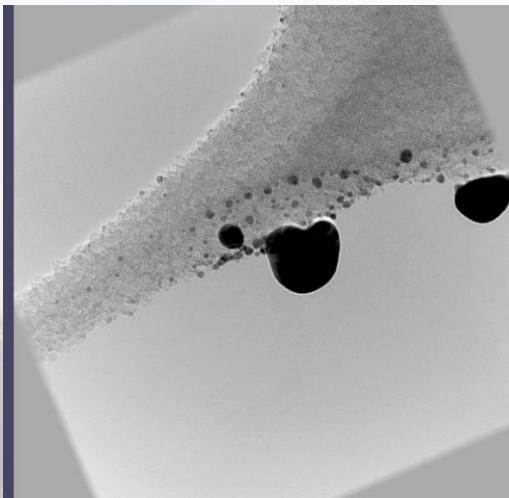
Hummingbird
tomography stage



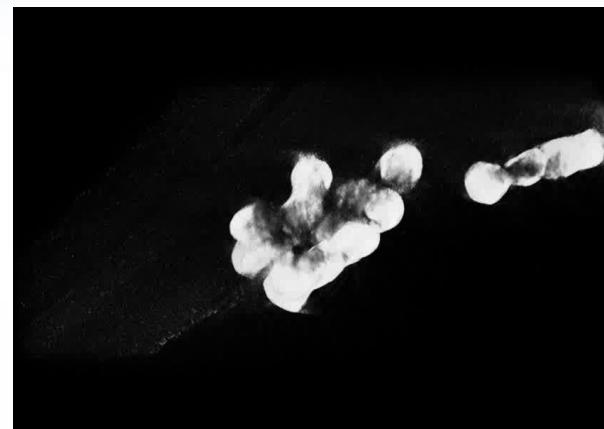
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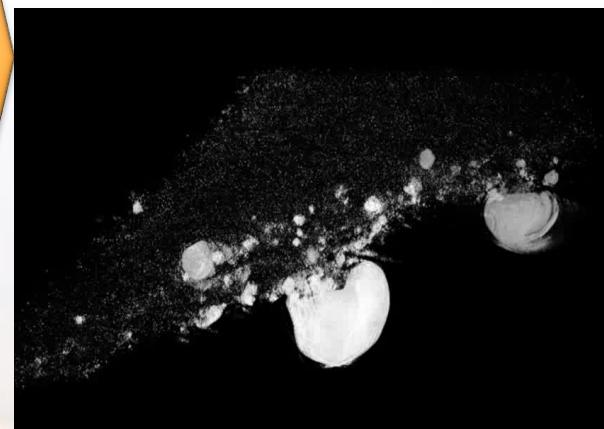
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Unirradiated Au NP model



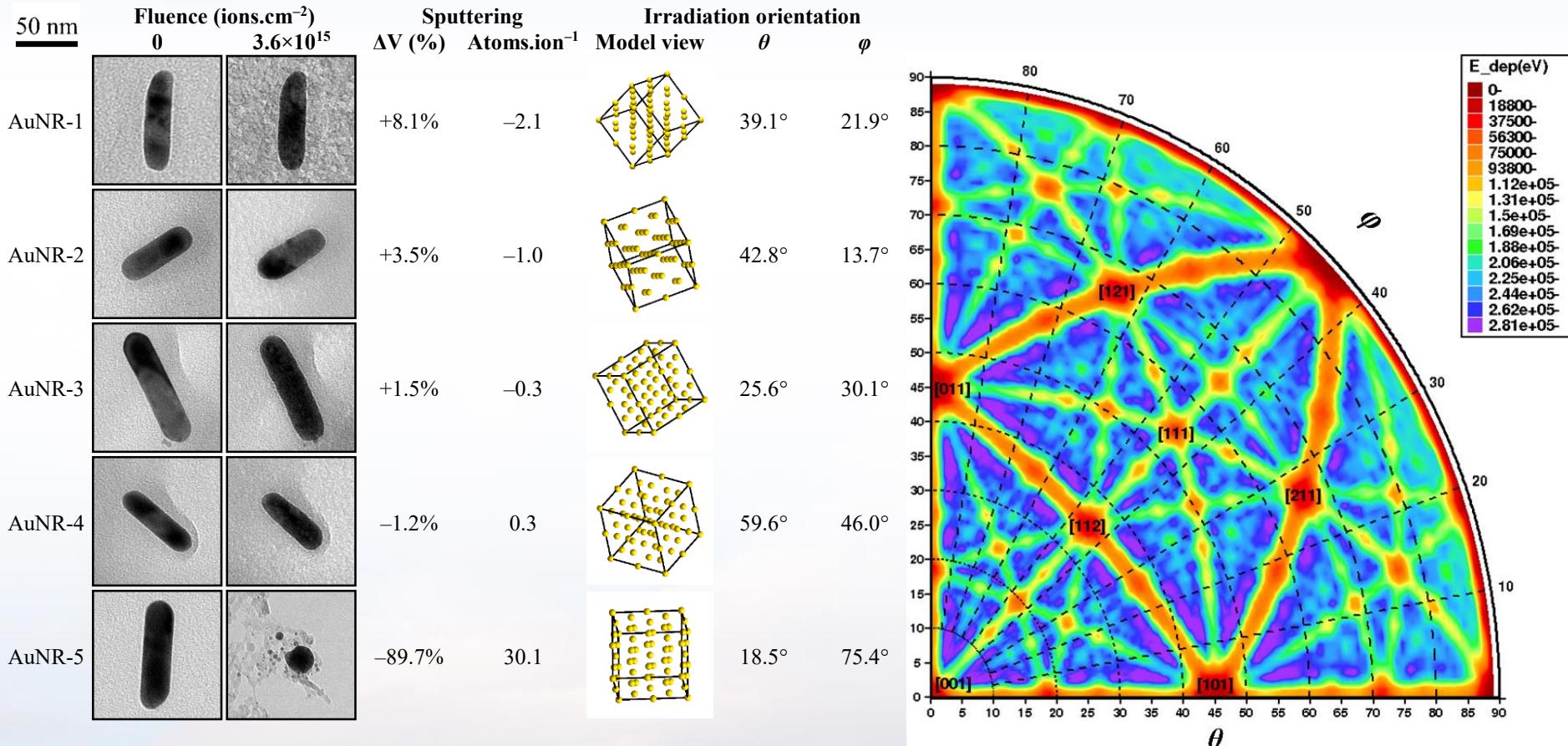
Irradiated Au NP model



The application of advanced
microscopy techniques to
extreme environments provides
exciting new research directions

Exploring Radiation effects in Au Nanorods

Collaborators: J. A. Hinks, F. Hibberd, A. Ilinov, D. C. Bufford, F. Djurabekova, G. Greaves, A. Kuronen, S. E. Donnelly & K. Nordlund



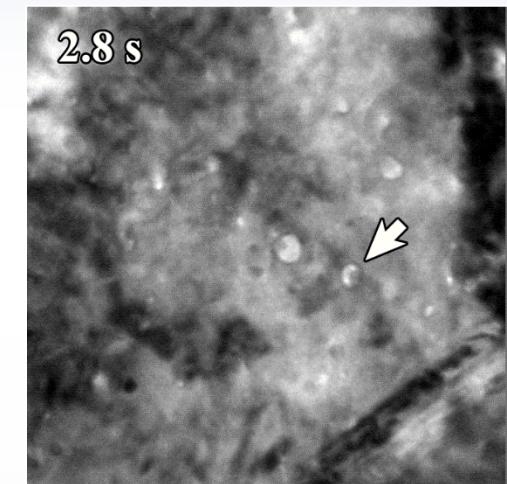
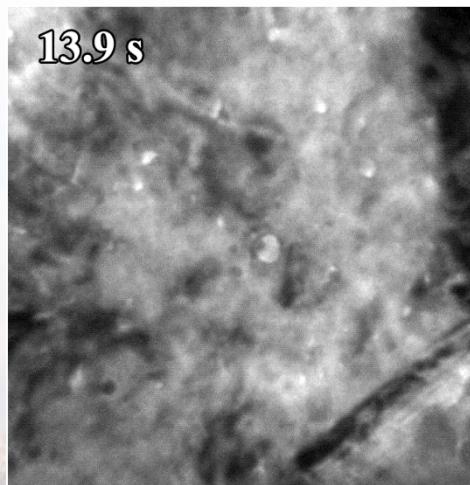
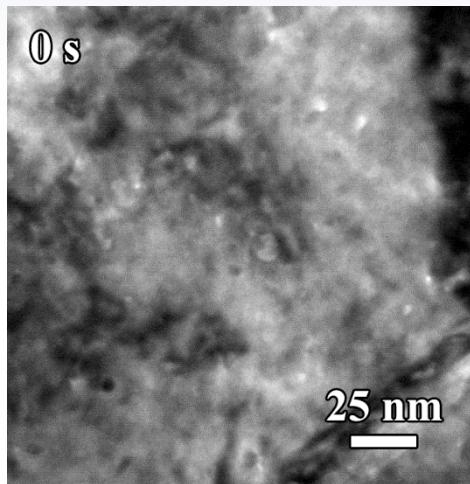
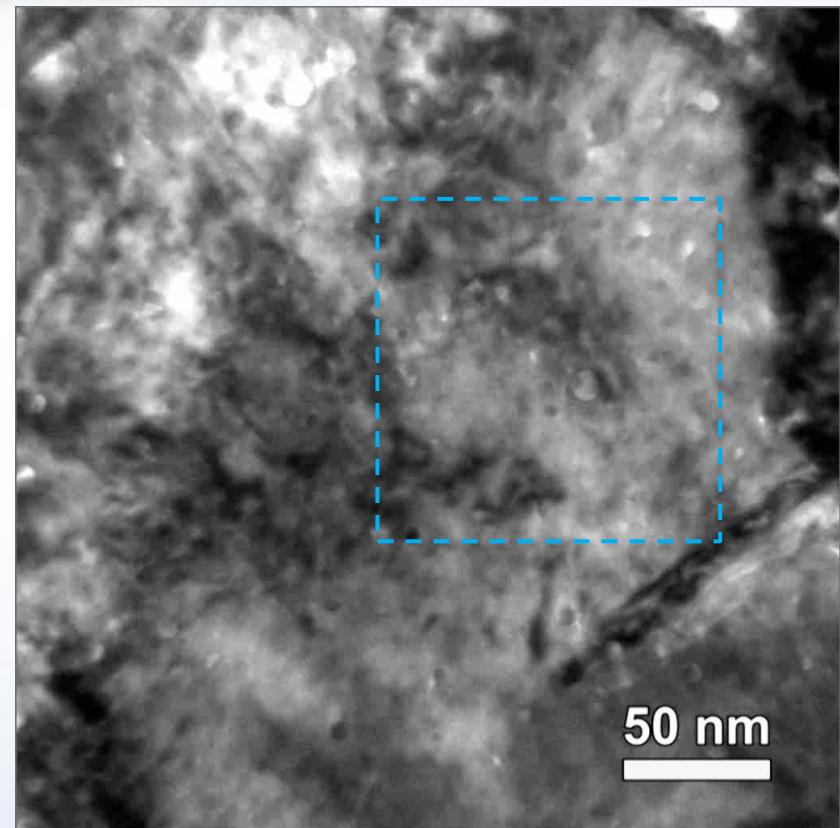
Direct Coupling of *In situ* Experiments
and MD simulations Demonstrates
Crystal Orientation Matters!



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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

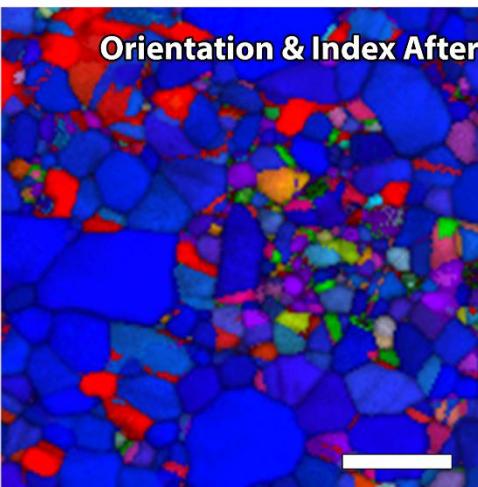
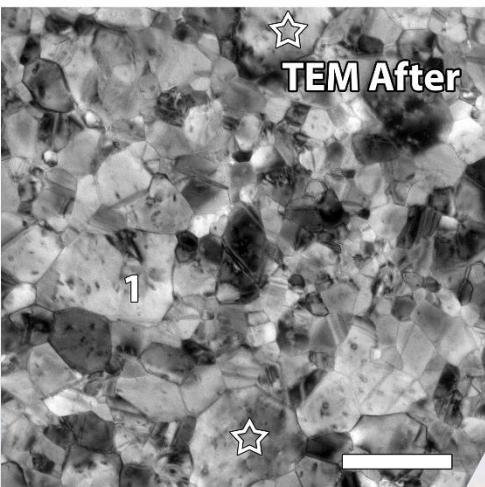
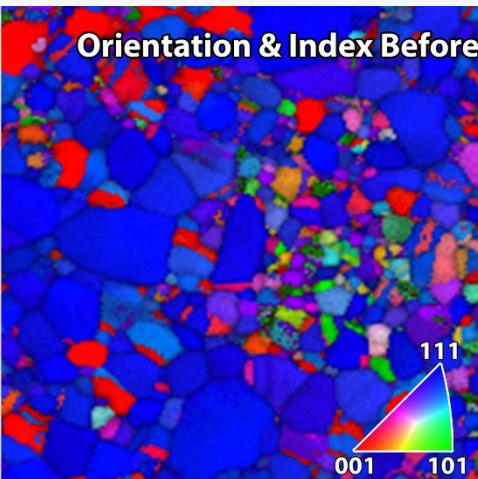
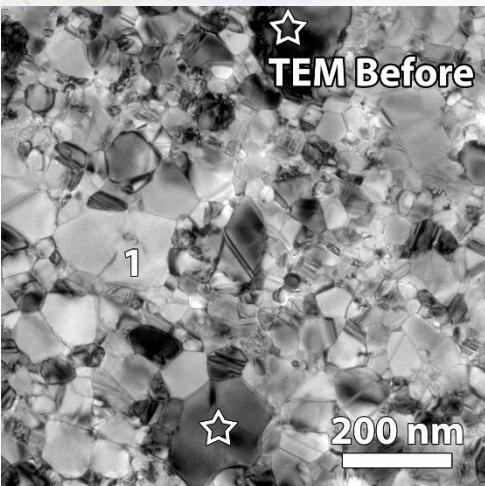
- **Approximate fluence:**
 - Au 1.2×10^{13} ions/cm²
 - He 1.3×10^{15} ions/cm²
 - D 2.2×10^{15} ions/cm²
- **Cavity nucleation and disappearance**



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Quantifying Grain Boundary Radiation Stability of Nanocrystalline Au

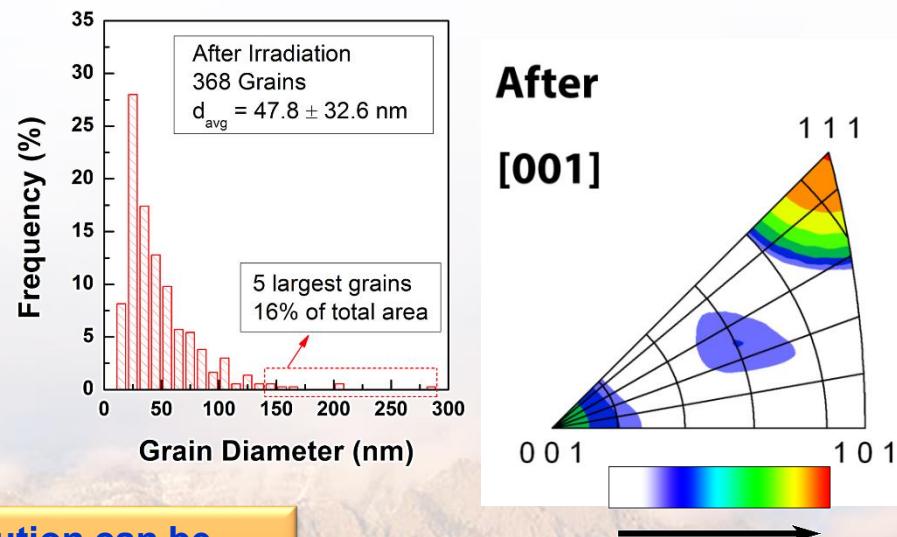
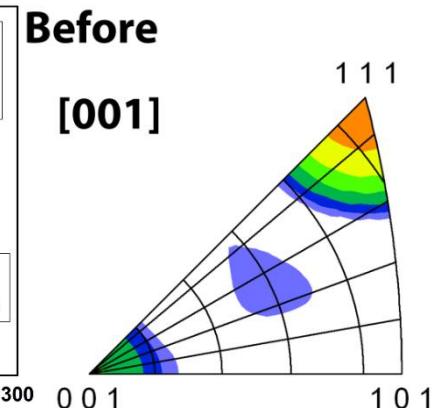
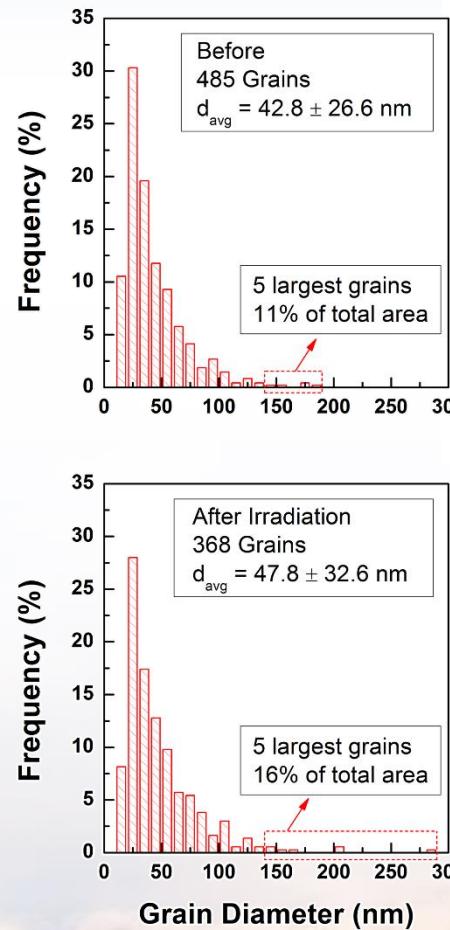
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10 MeV Si



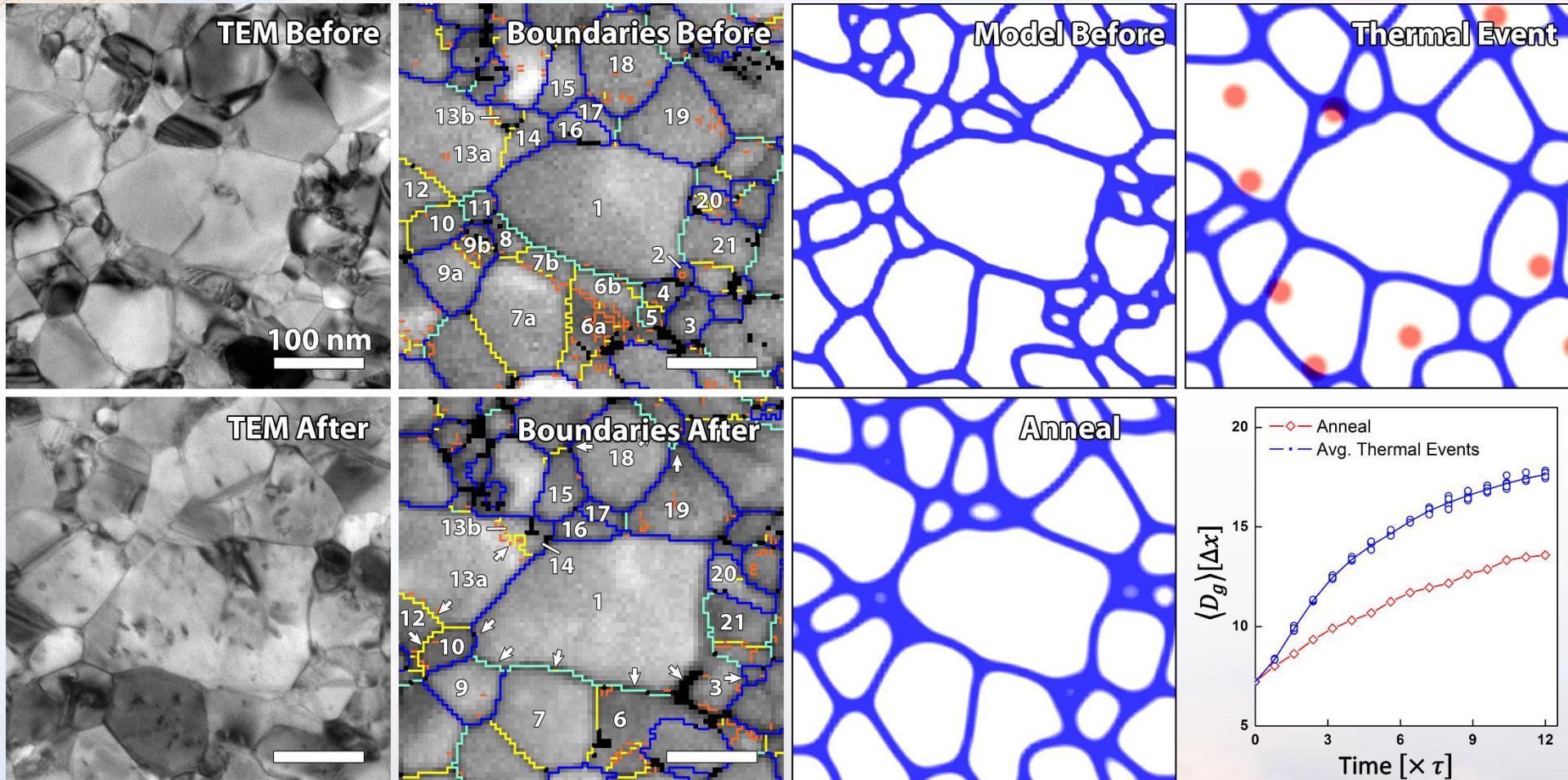
Any texture or grain boundary evolution can be directly observed and quantified



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Direct Comparison to Mesoscale Modeling

Collaborators: D.C. Bufford, F. Abdeljawad, & S.M. Foiles



Because of the matching length scale, the initial microstructure can serve as direct input to either MD or mesoscale models & subsequent structural evolution can be directly compared.



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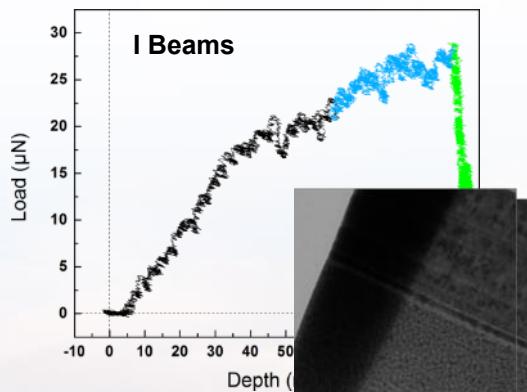
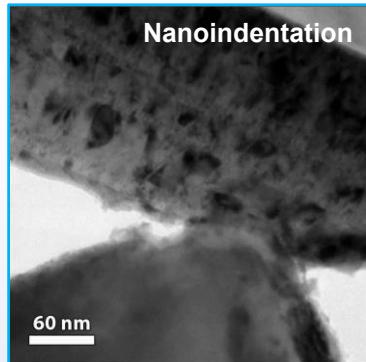
In situ Quantitative Mechanical Testing

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

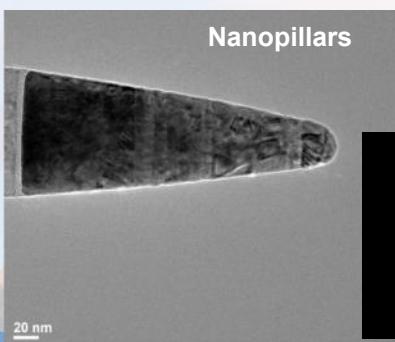


Hysitron PI95 *In Situ* Nanoindentation TEM Holder

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



Notched Bar



Nanopillars

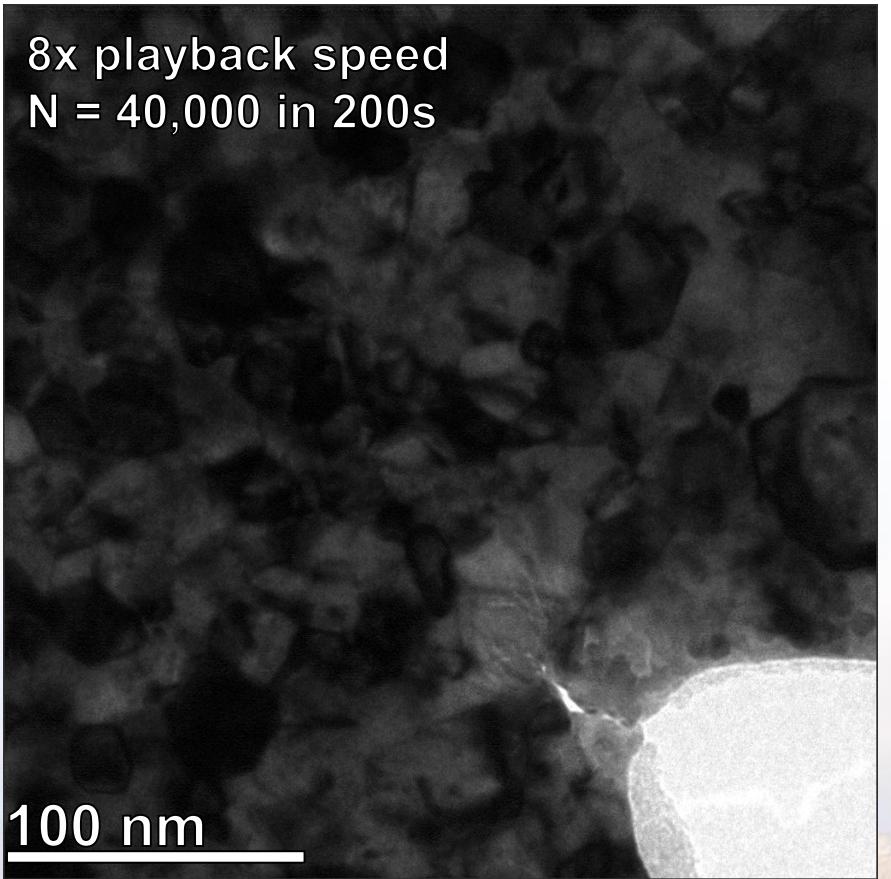


Notched Micro Tension Bars

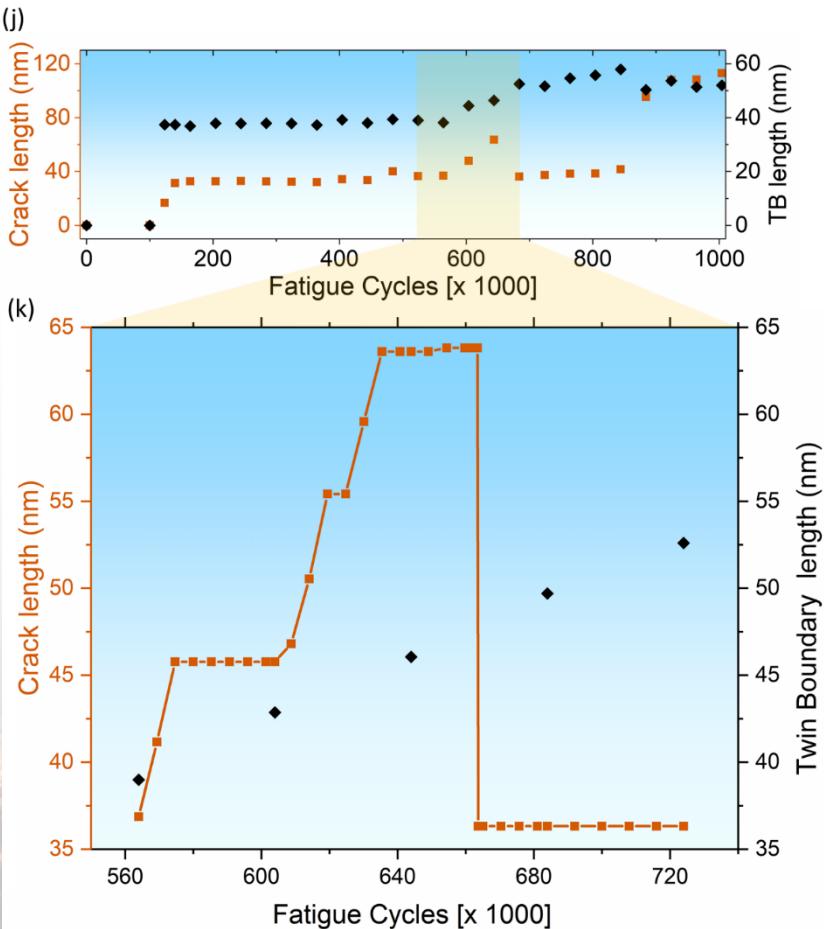
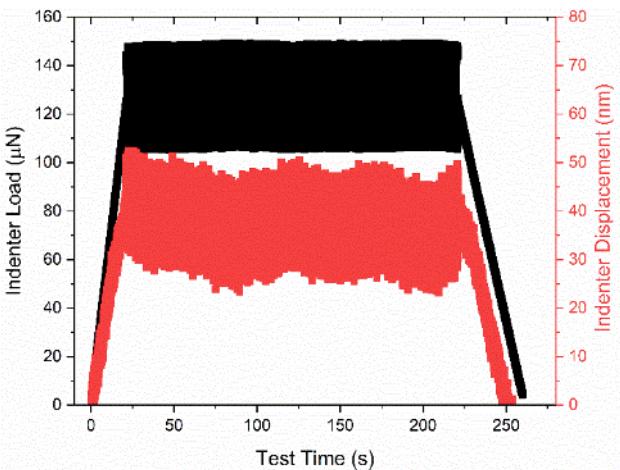
Fatigue Failure in Real Time?

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

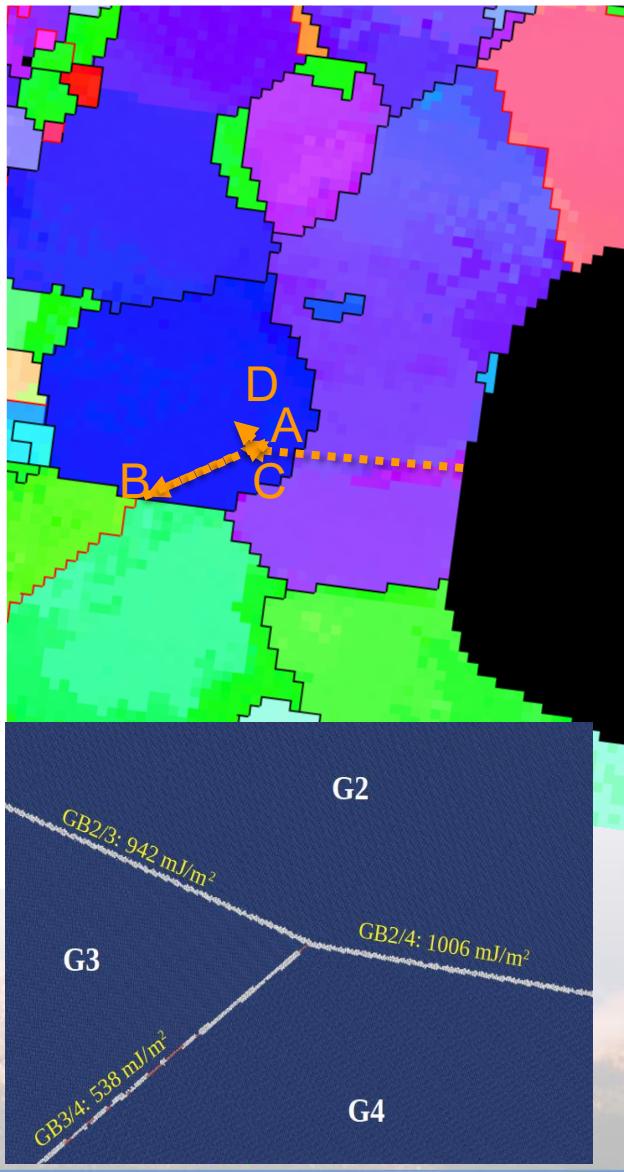
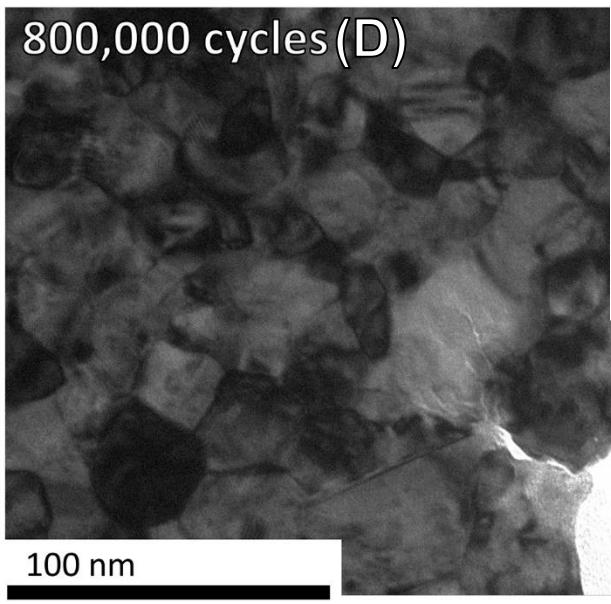
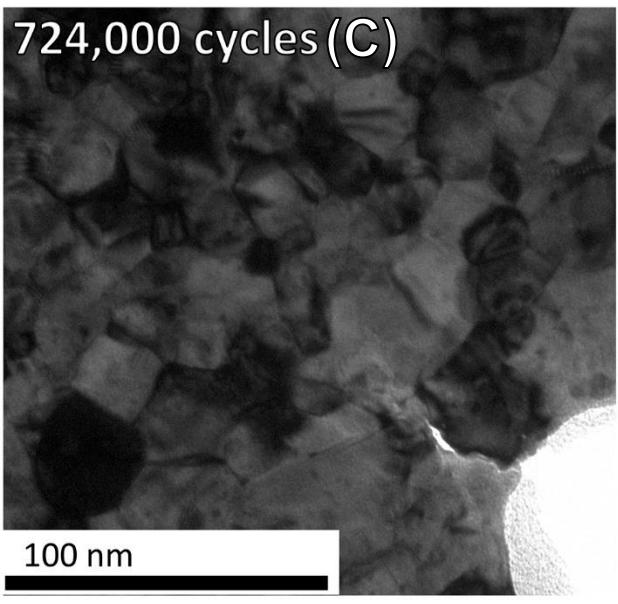
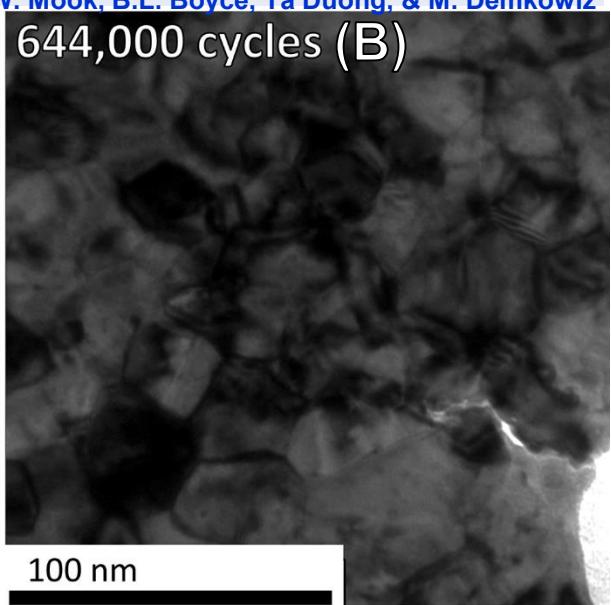
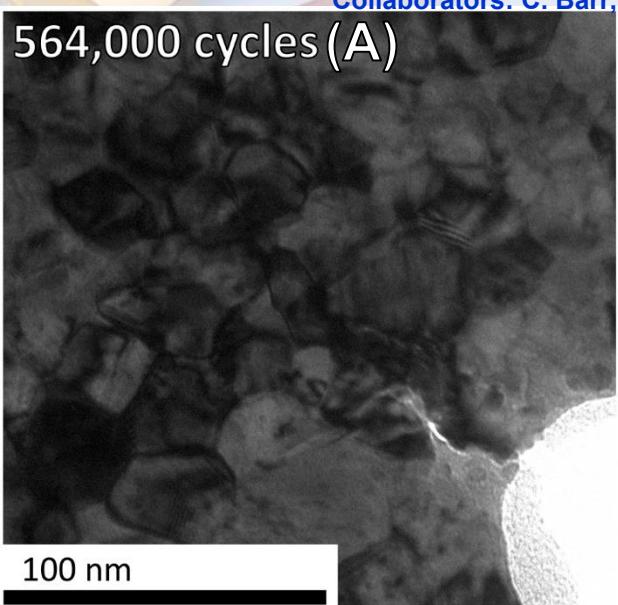
- Mean load: 135 uN; Amplitude load: 35 uN
- 200 Hz, 200s test (15 fps 1k x 1k camera)



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

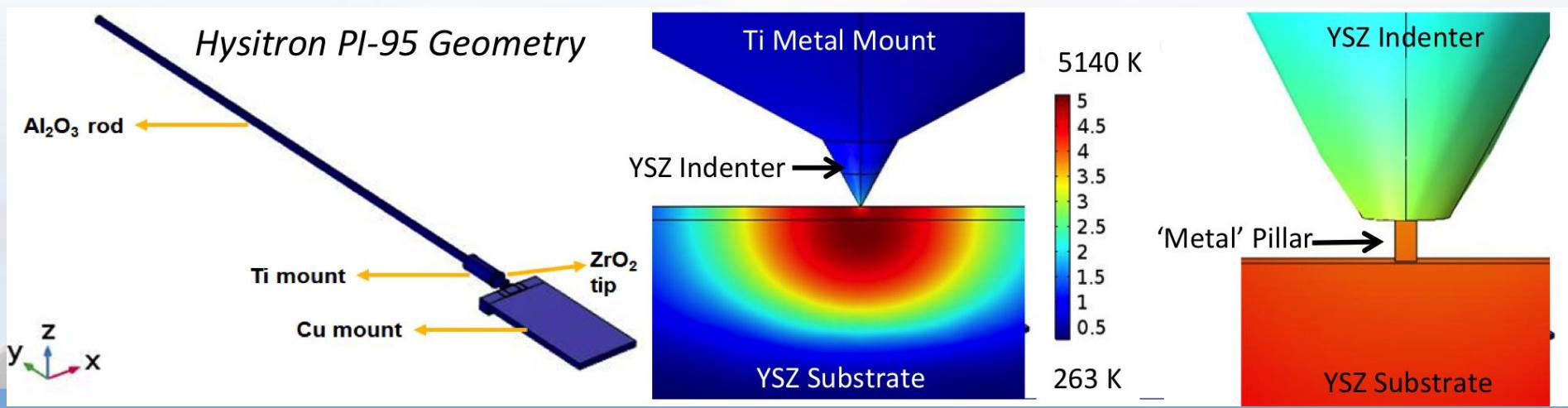
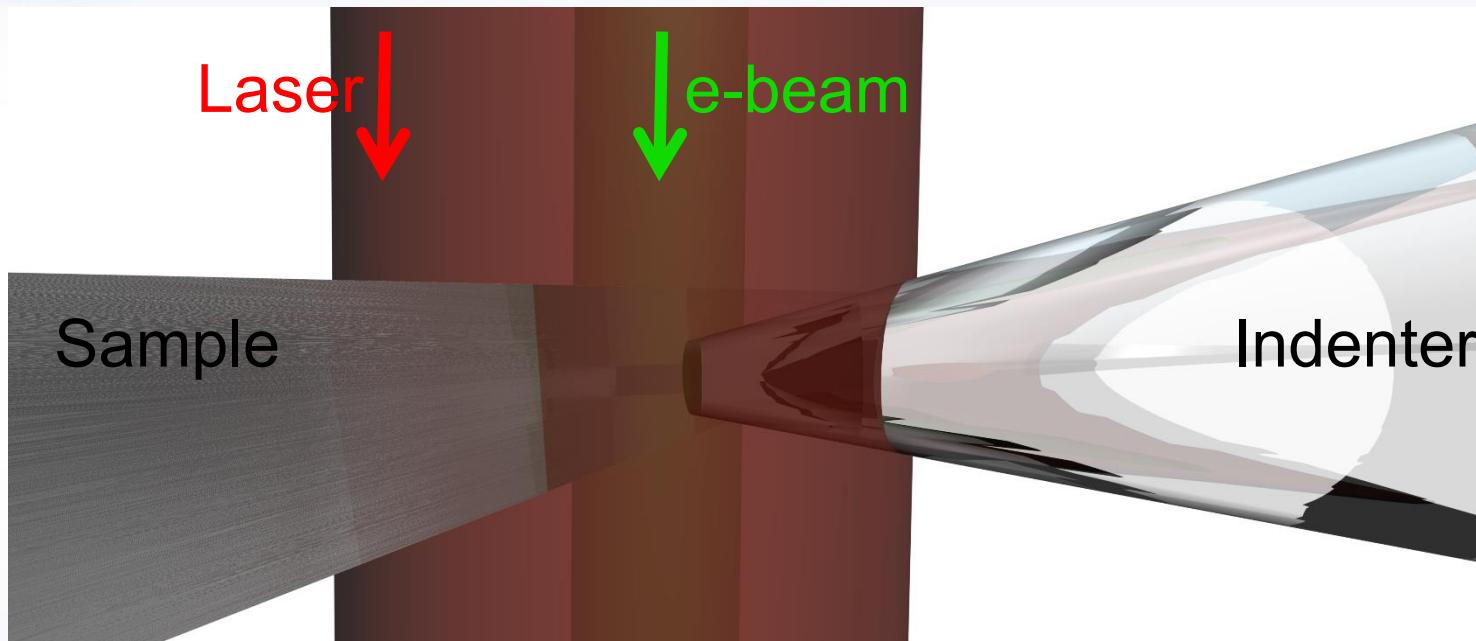


Crack Propagation, Closure, and Re-Direction



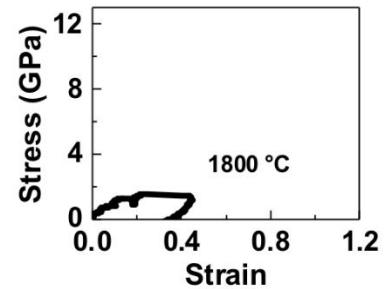
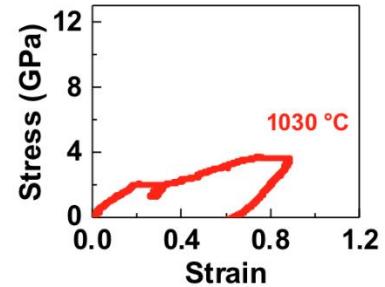
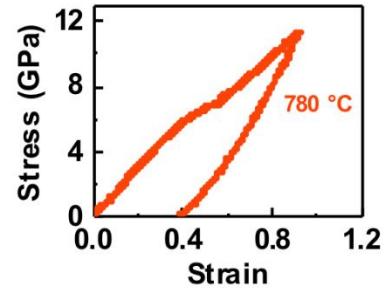
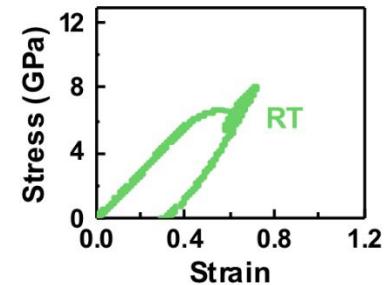
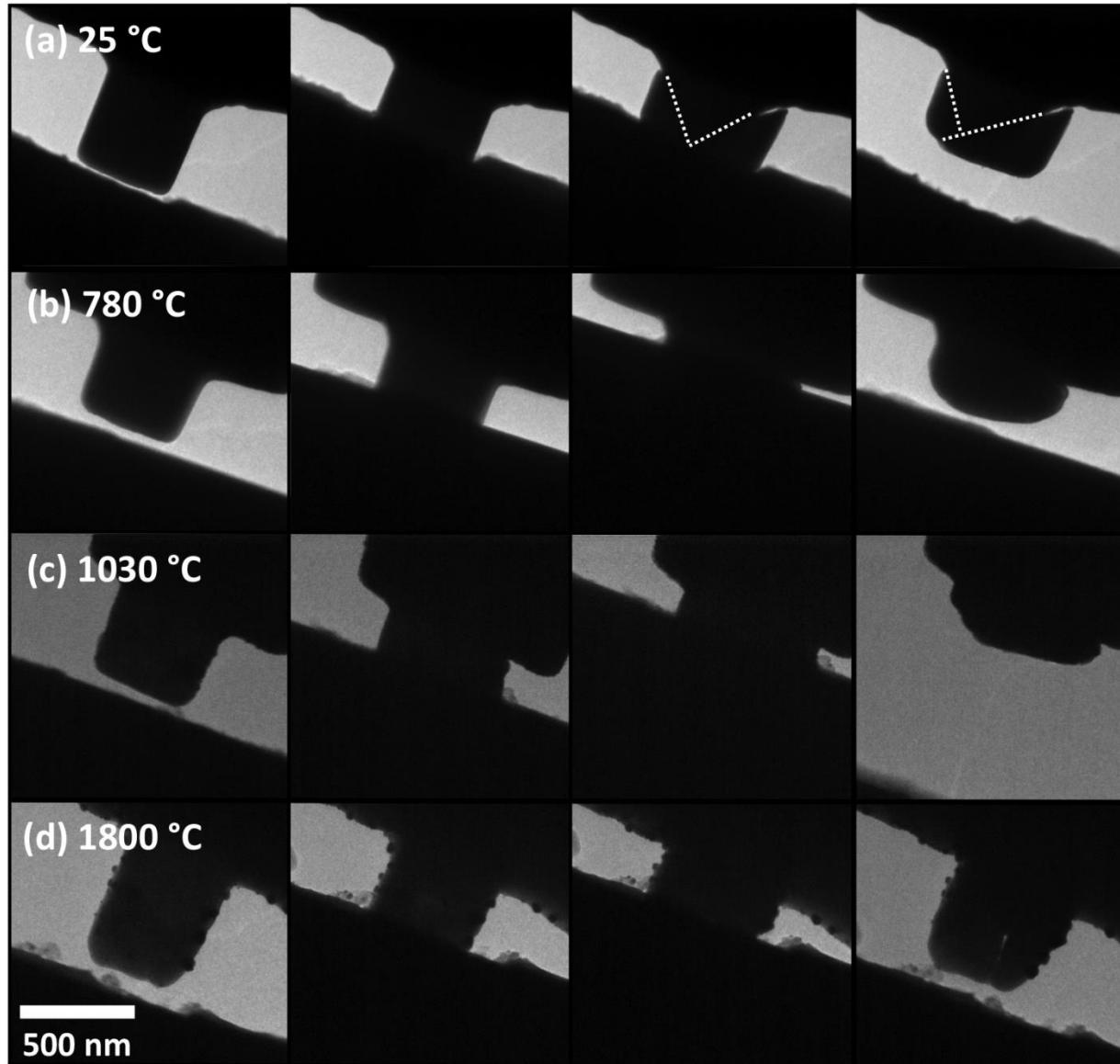
Can we Combine Laser Heating with Mechanical Testing?

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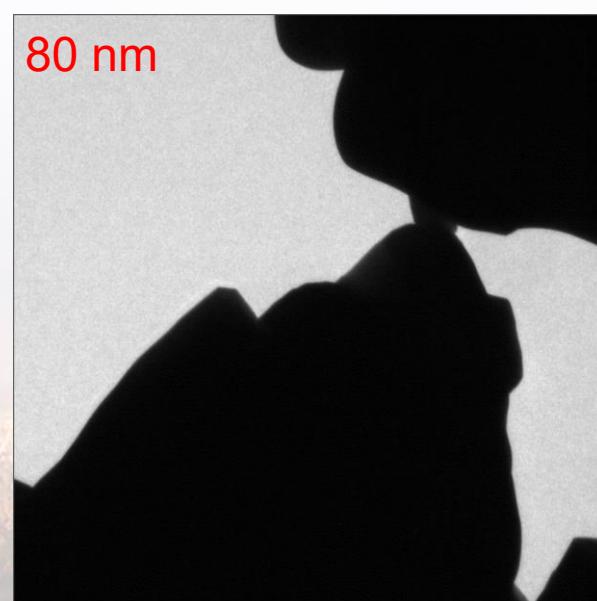
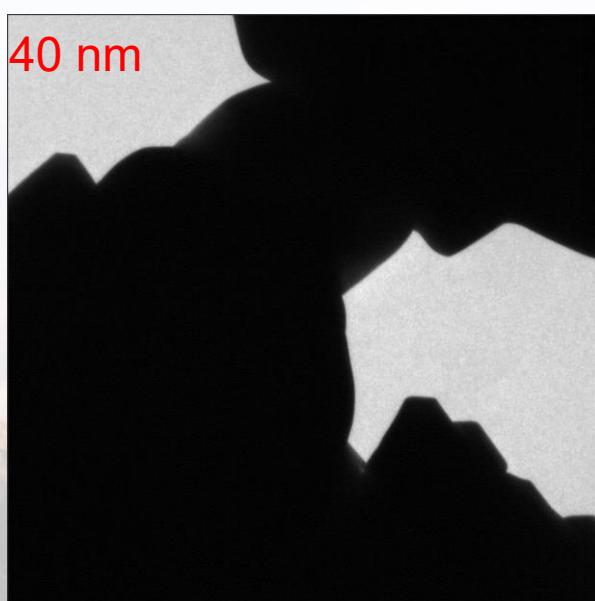
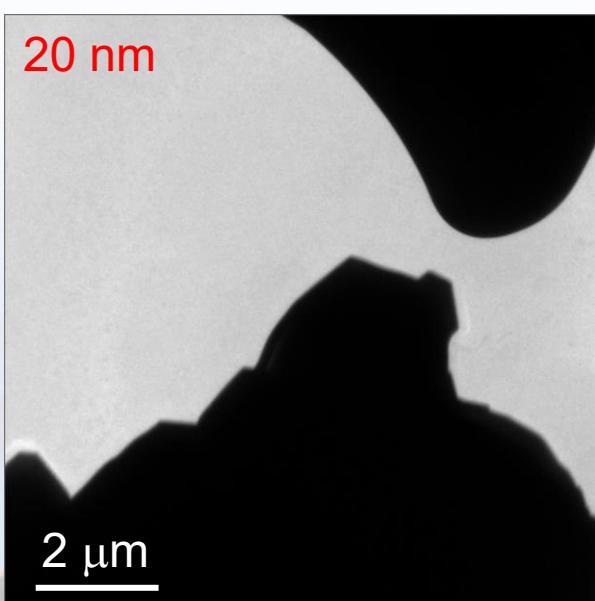
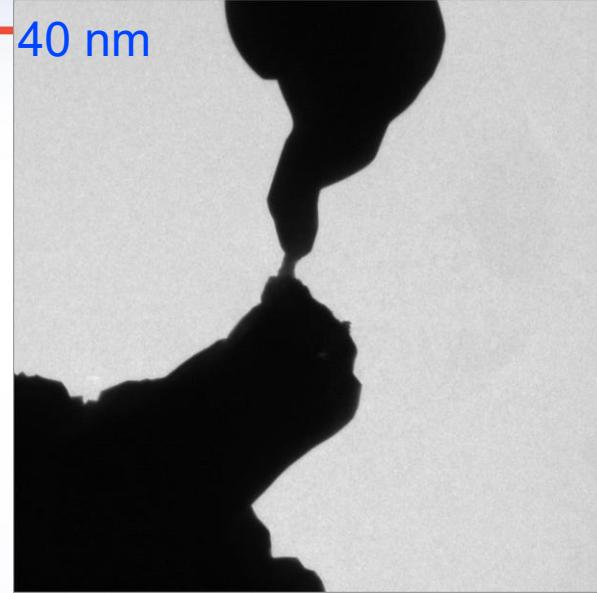
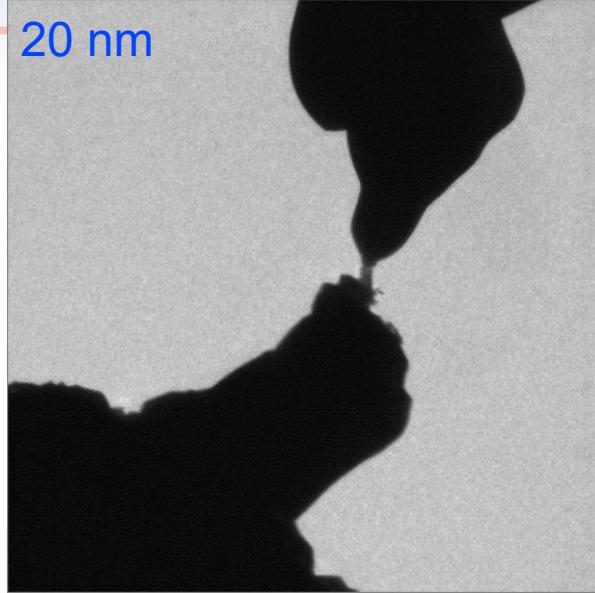
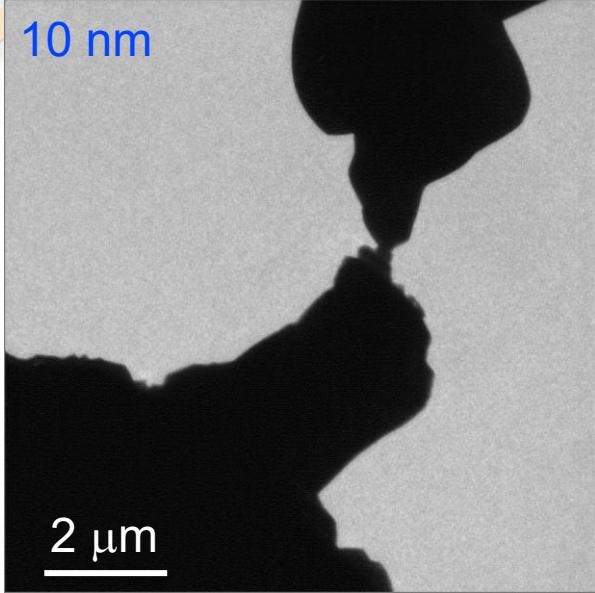
High Temperature Stress-Strain

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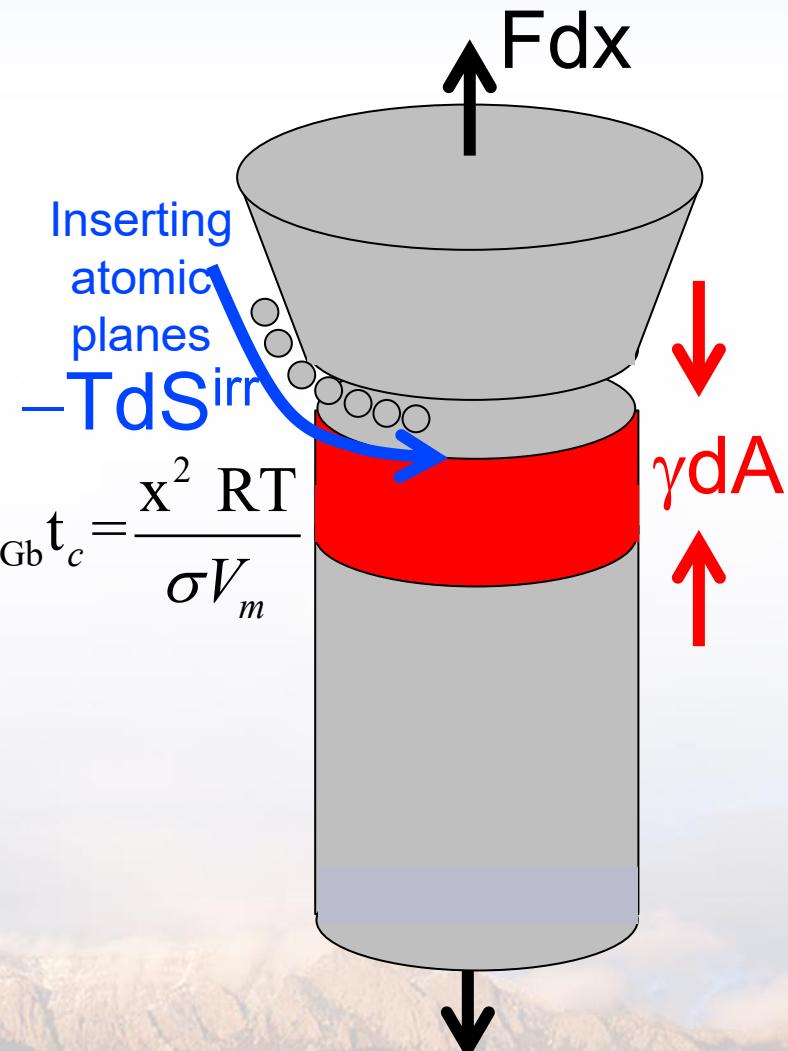
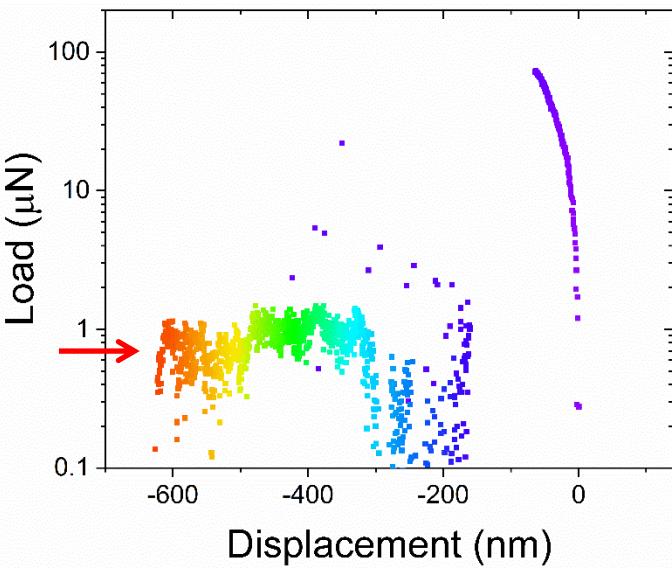
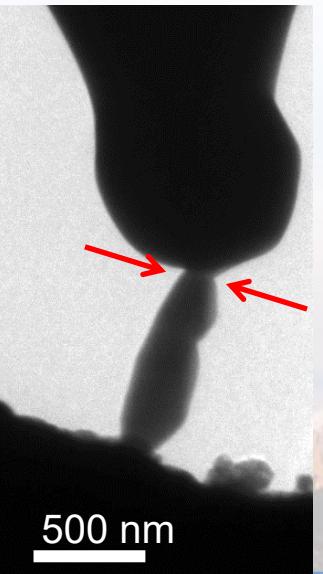
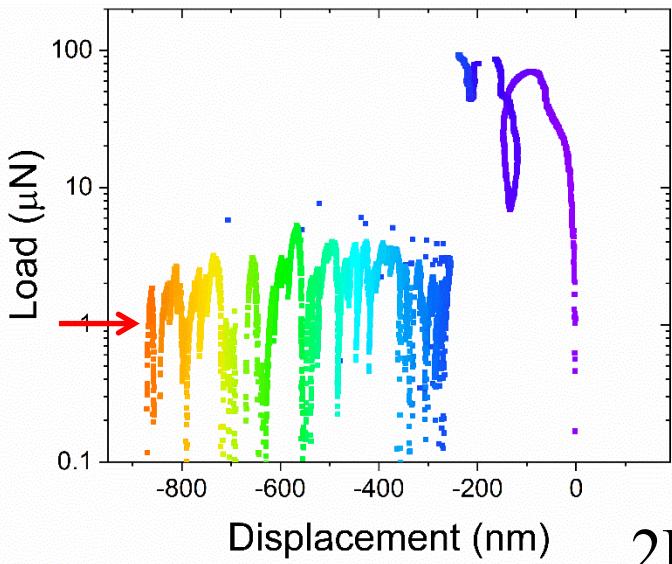
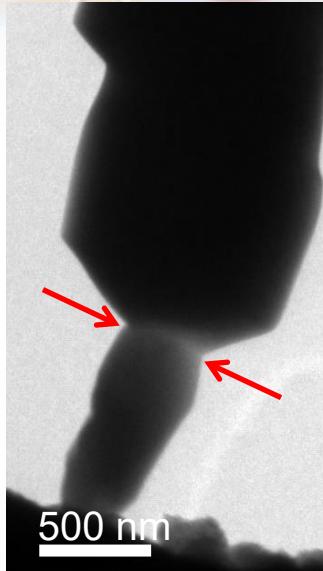
Pushing the Laser Limit - 1604 °C and 2056 °C ScSZ-ScSZ

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Mechanism for Fiber Growth

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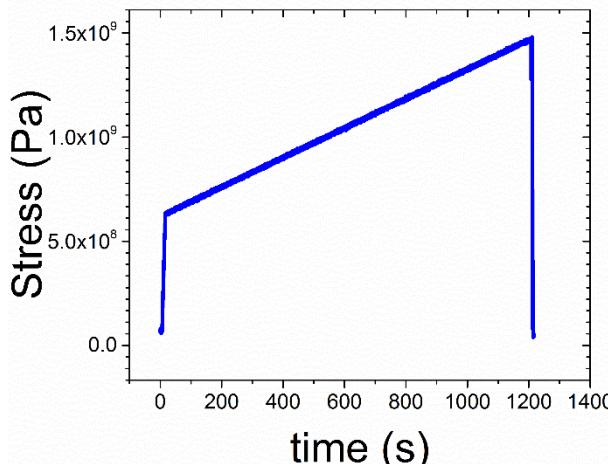
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In situ TEM Ion Irradiation + Mechanical Testing = *In situ* TEM Irradiation Creep

Contributors: G.S. Jawaharam, S. Dillon & R.S. Averback

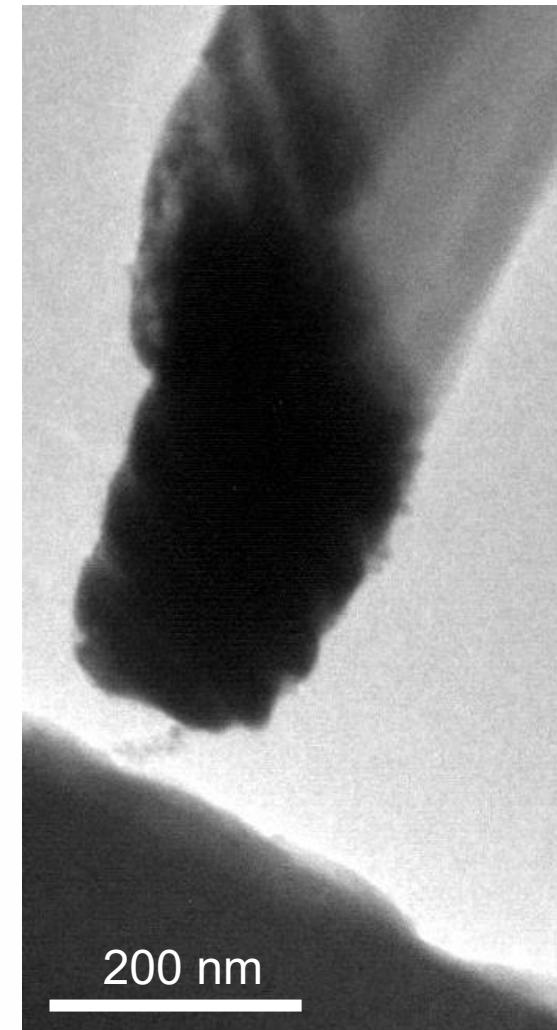
Controlled Loading Rate Experiments

4 MeV Cu³⁺
10⁻² DPA/s

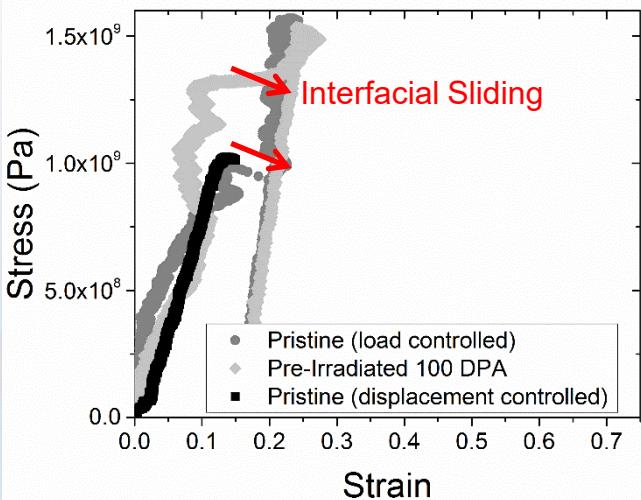


In-situ TEM
radiation
creep is
feasible!

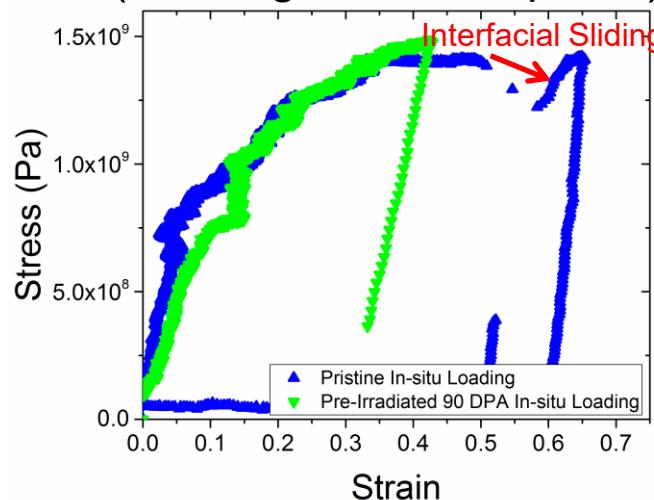
50 nm Cu-W multilayer
20 Min



No Irradiation
(Loading rate 0.6 Mpa s⁻¹)



Irradiation Creep
(Loading rate 0.6 Mpa s⁻¹)



Ex situ Mechanical Testing End Station

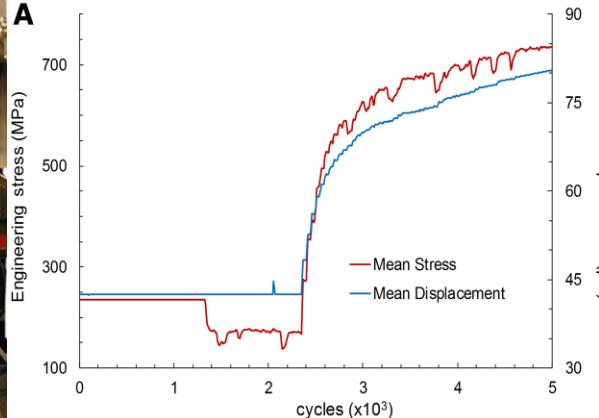
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- Combined three individual mechanical testing in tandem beamline end station
- Limited (optical, IR only) imaging capabilities
- Have successfully collected preliminary data using this system

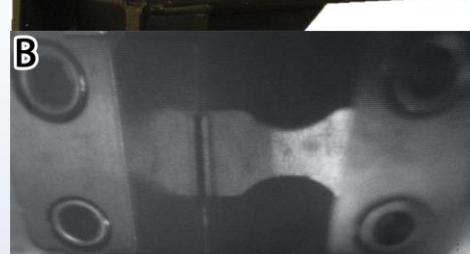
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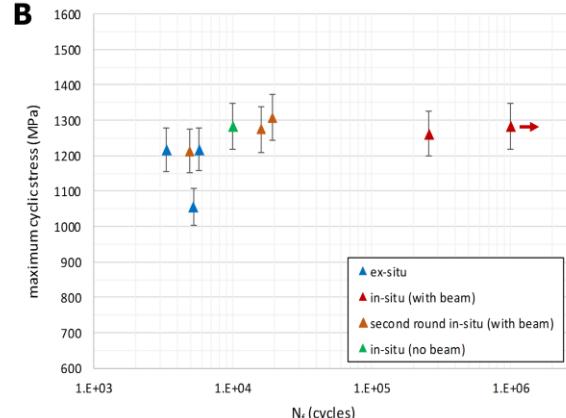
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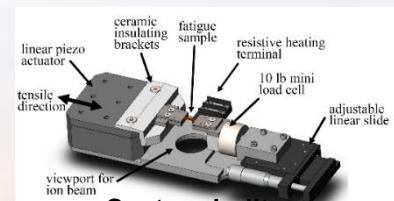
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Straining Heating



Gatan Cryostage



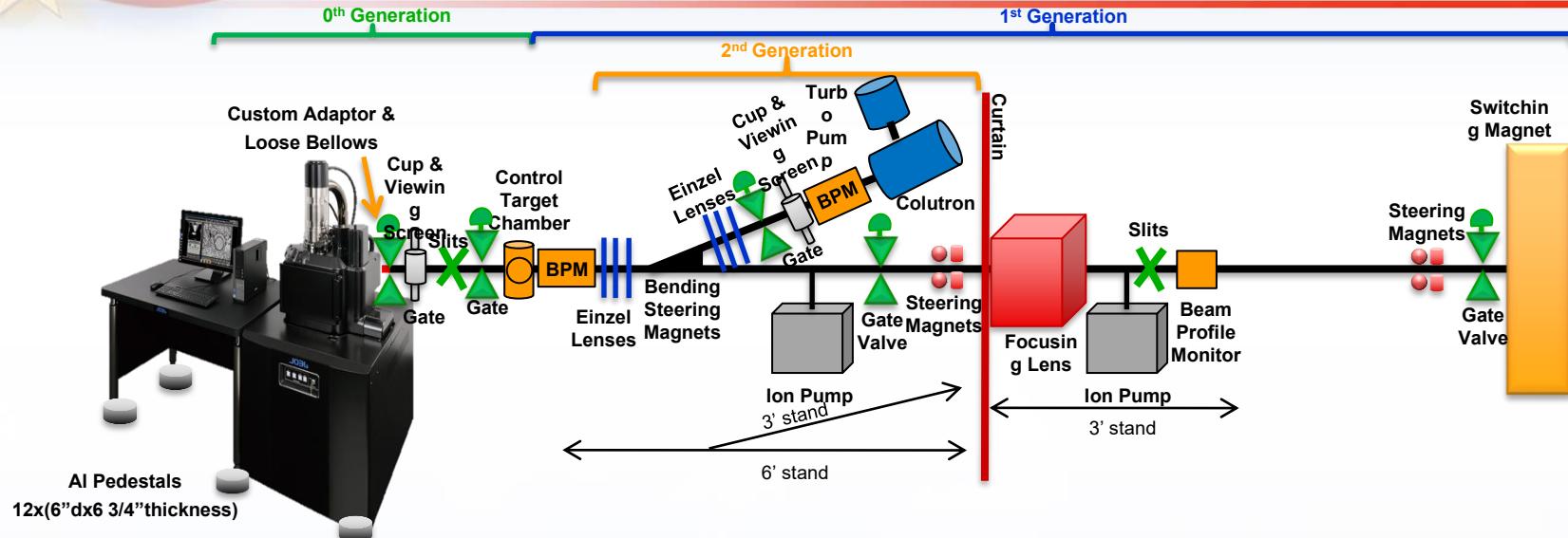
Custom-built
Piezo Fatigue
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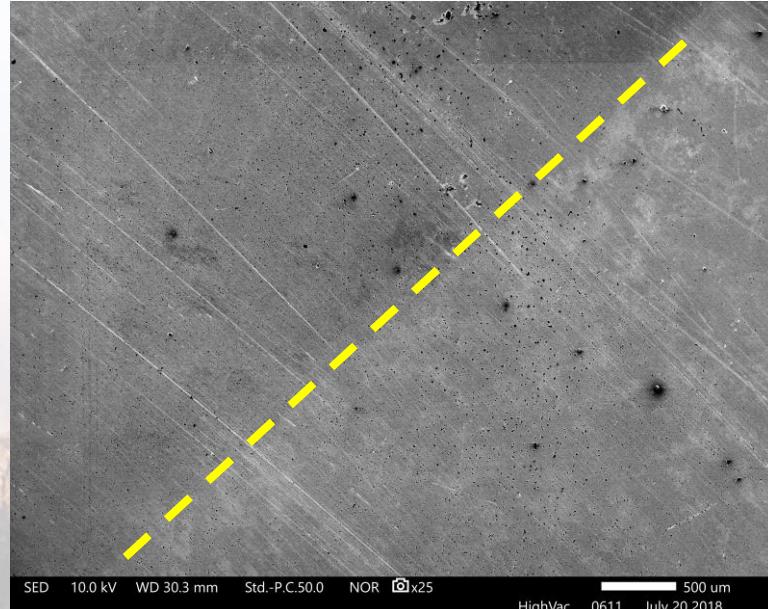
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Heavy Ion Design and Proof of Concept

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Al Pedestals
12x(6"dx6 3/4"thickness)



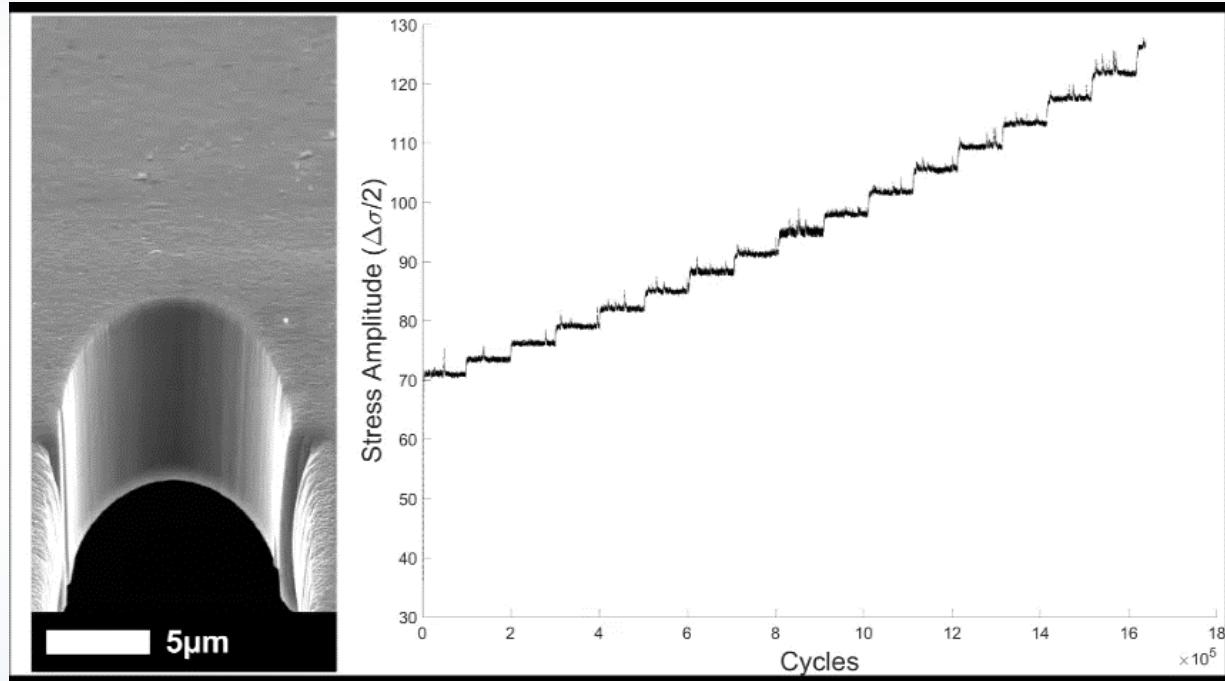
I³SEM planned for multiphase development. Ultimate plan is for multiple accelerators being attached for dual or triple beam experiments.



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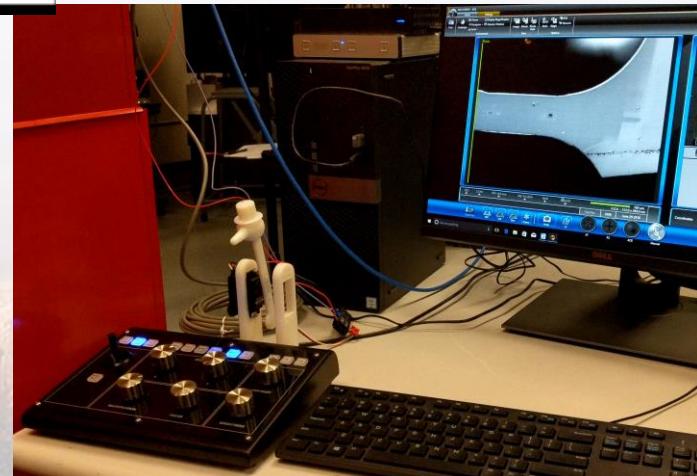
In situ High-cycle Fatigue

Collaborators: 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



Future Vision: Testing Greater Extremes in the TEM

Hydrothermal Vents



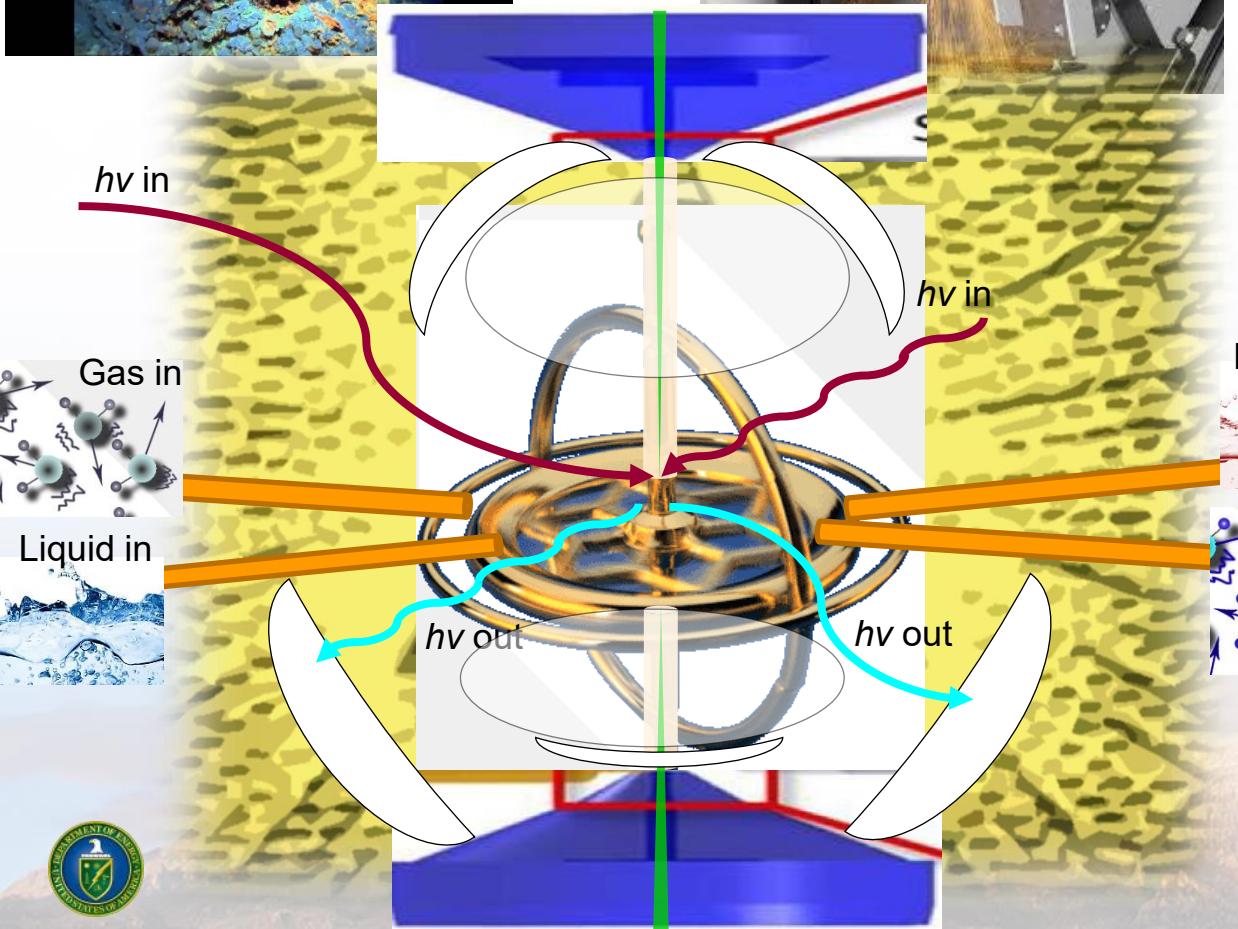
Advanced Manufacturing



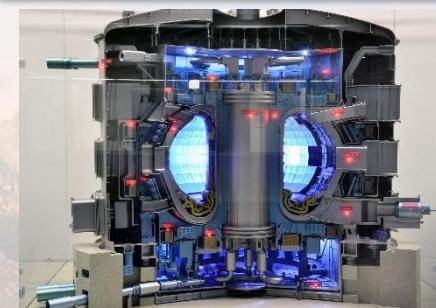
Volcanic Activity



Explosions



Fusion Reactor



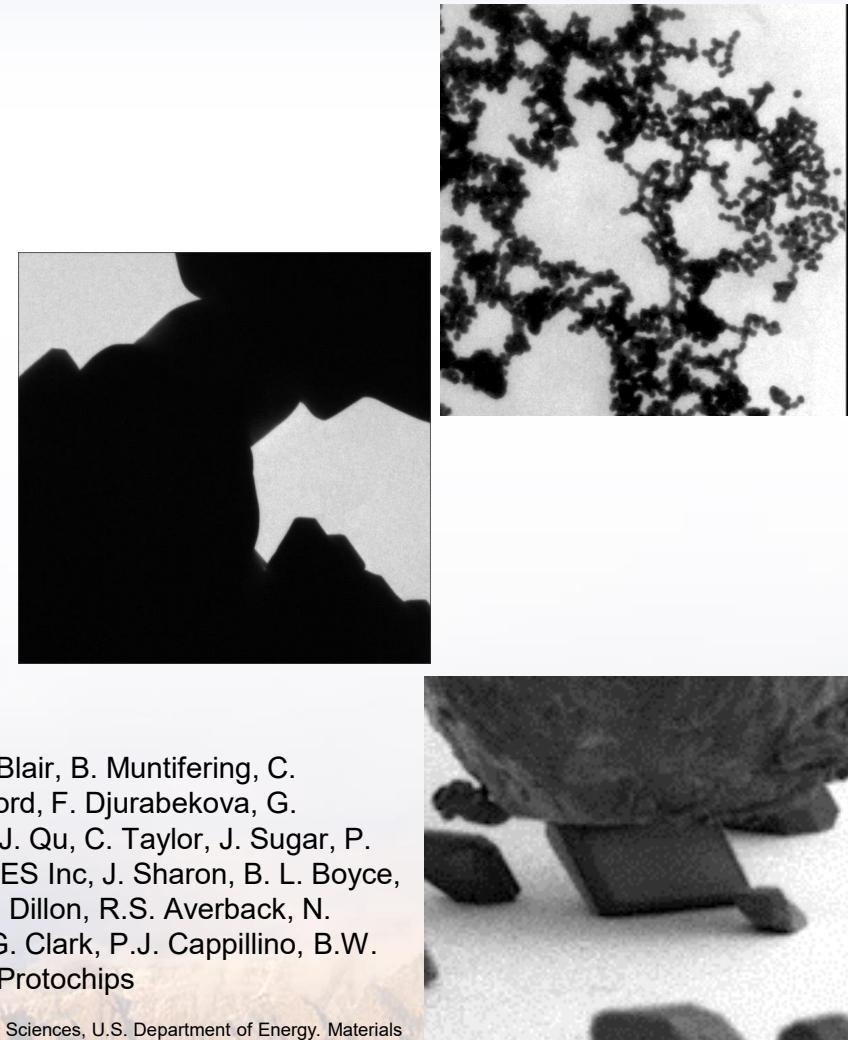


Unconventional *In situ* Microscopy Creates a Wealth of Possibilities



- 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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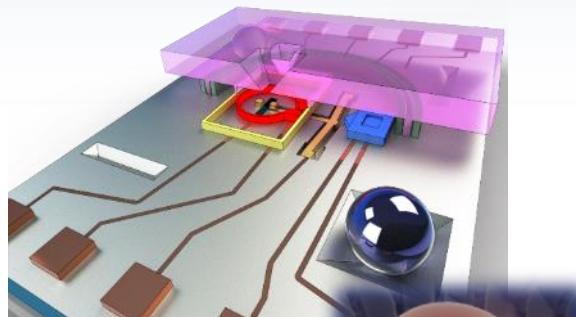
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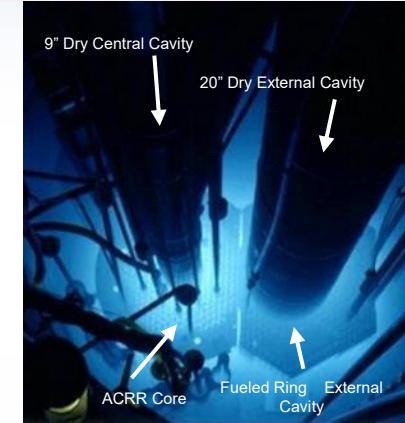
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- Spring and Fall proposals for 18 months
- Rapid Access proposal anytime for 3 months



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- Three proposal a year for 9 months



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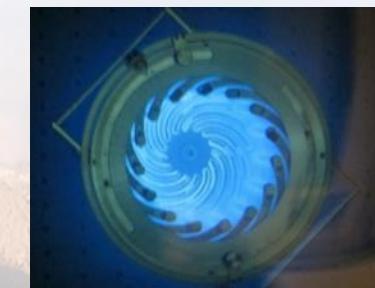


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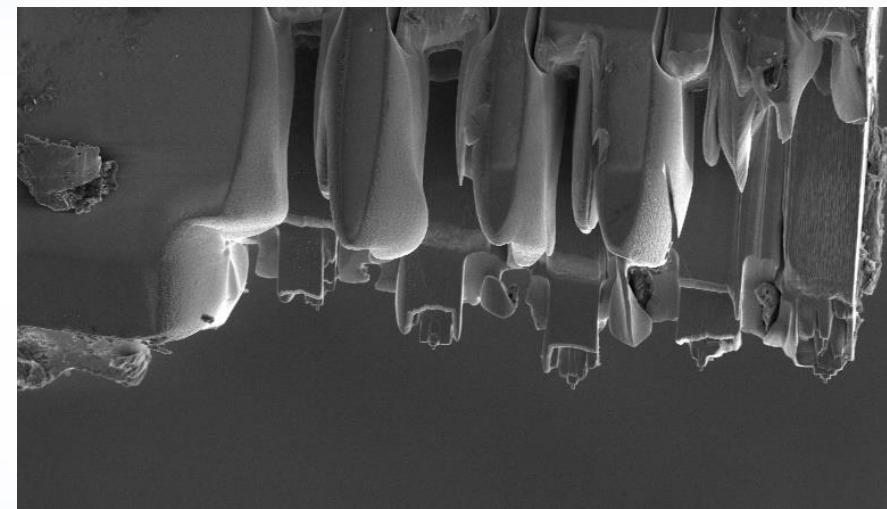
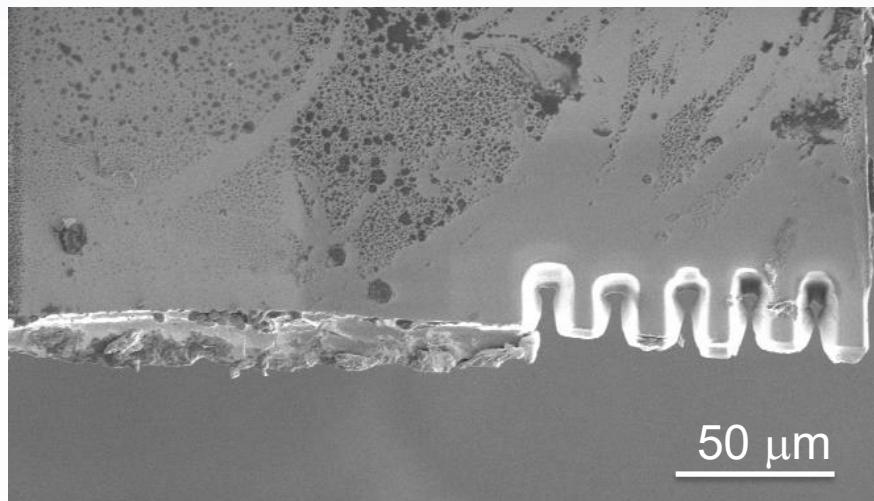


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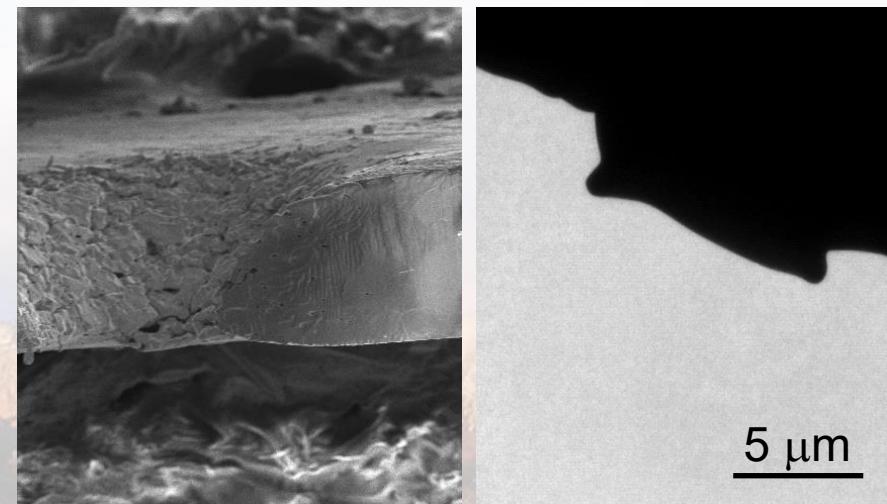
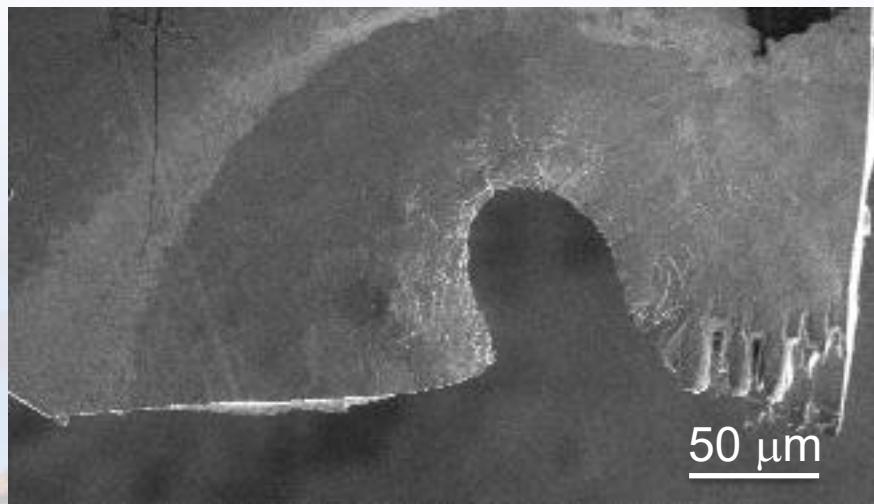


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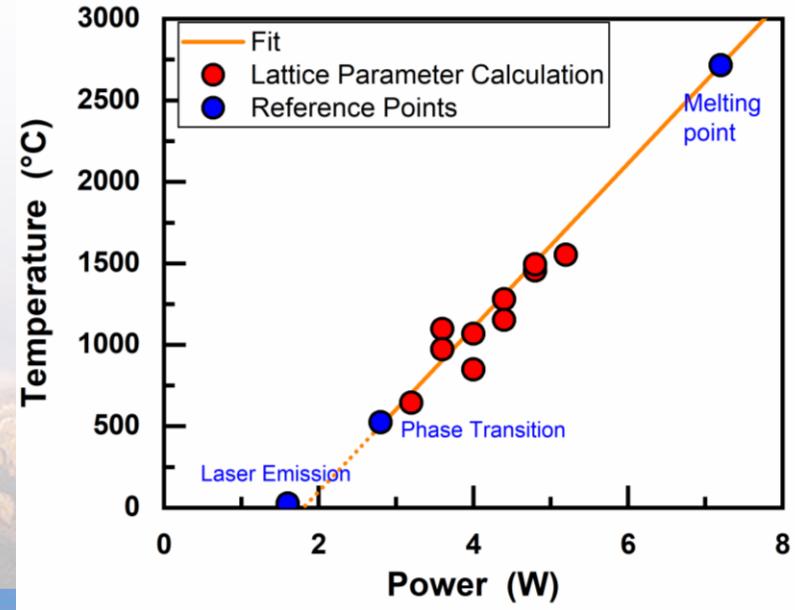
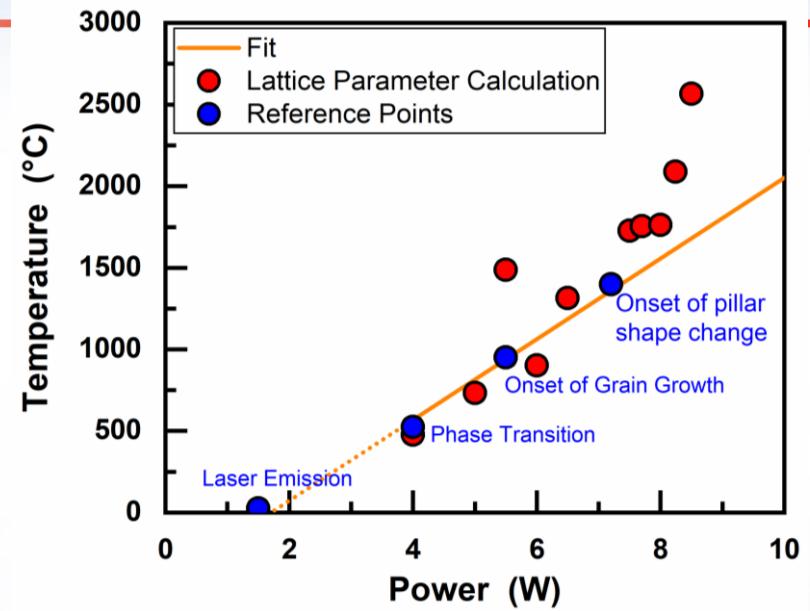
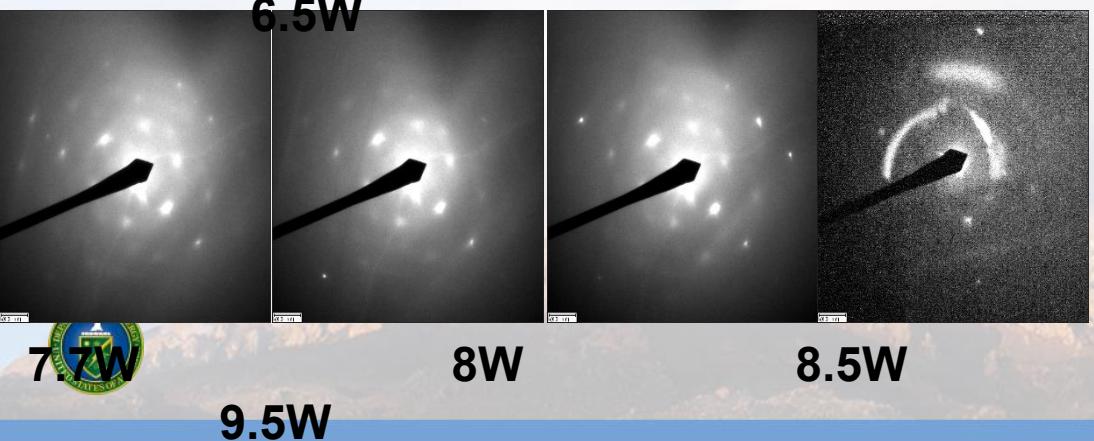
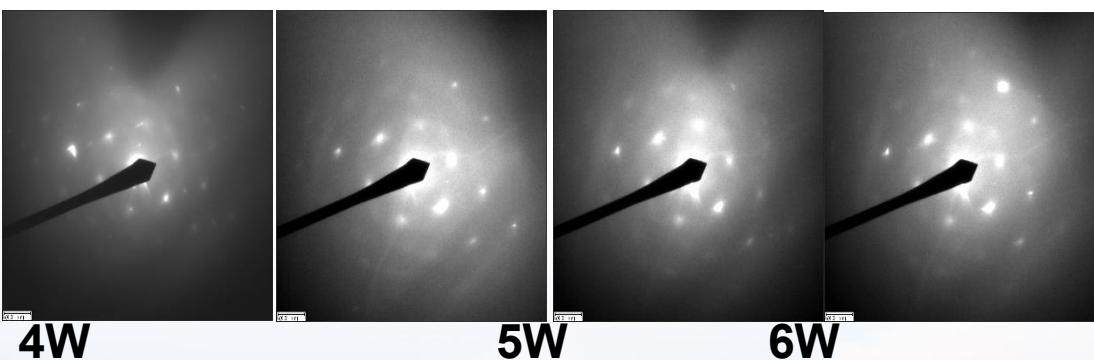
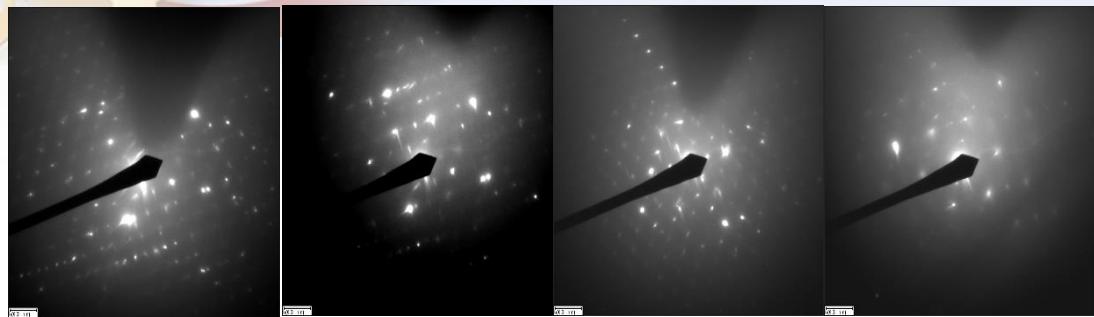
Before



After

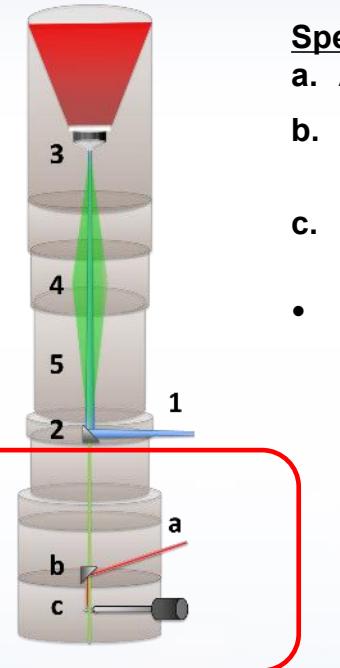
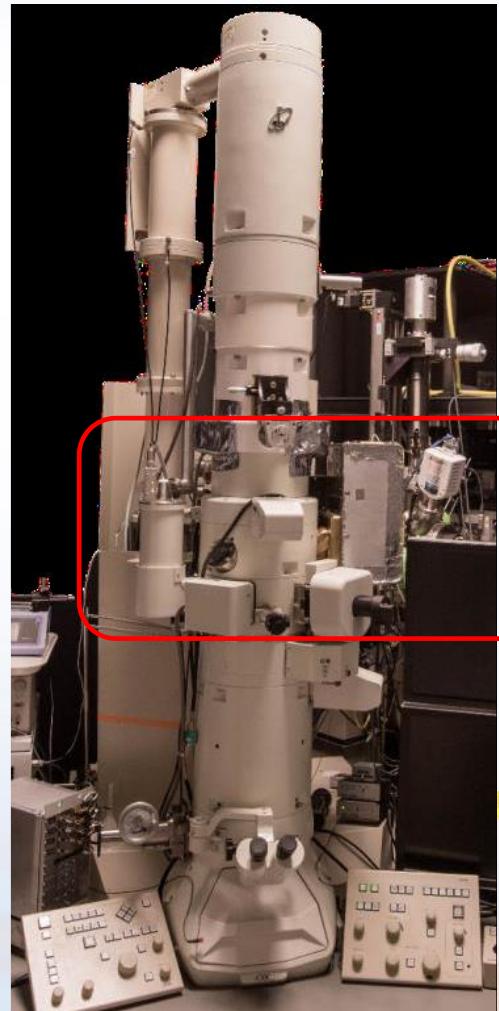


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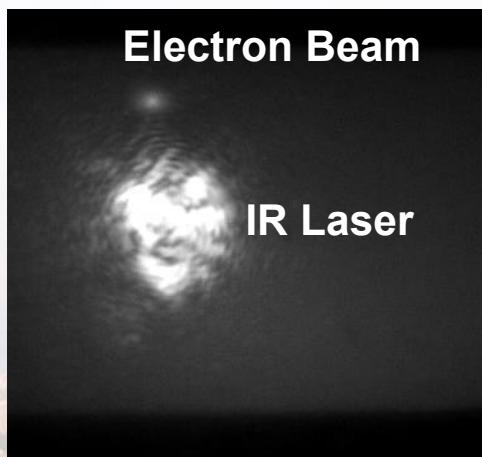
In-situ Specimen Drive Laser System

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 μ m diameter spot size
 - Positioning mirror, which can be used during laser operation



Laser Alignment TEM Holder

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

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Cautionary Tale: “Johannes Factotum”

- 1592 Robert Greene *Groats-Worth of Wit*

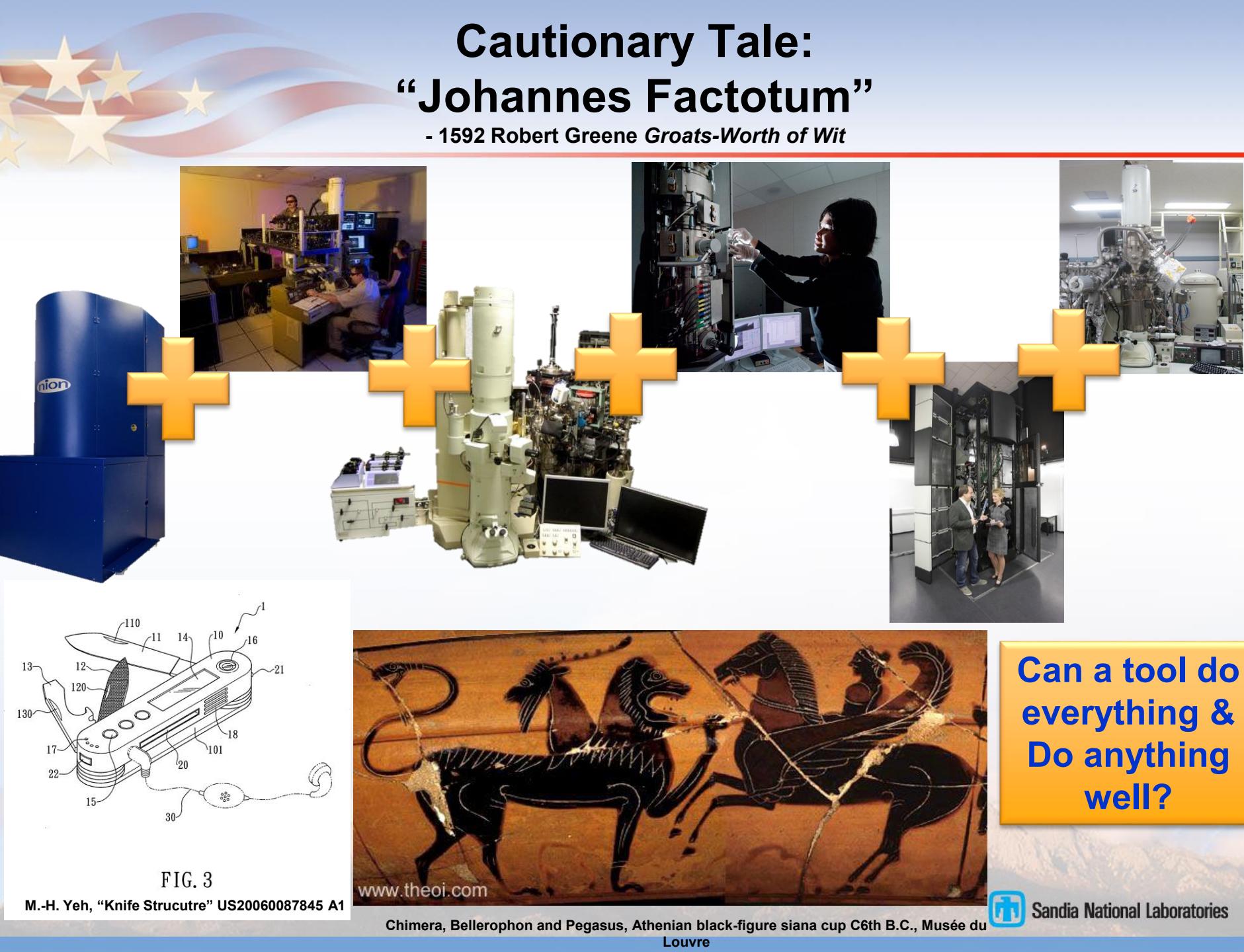
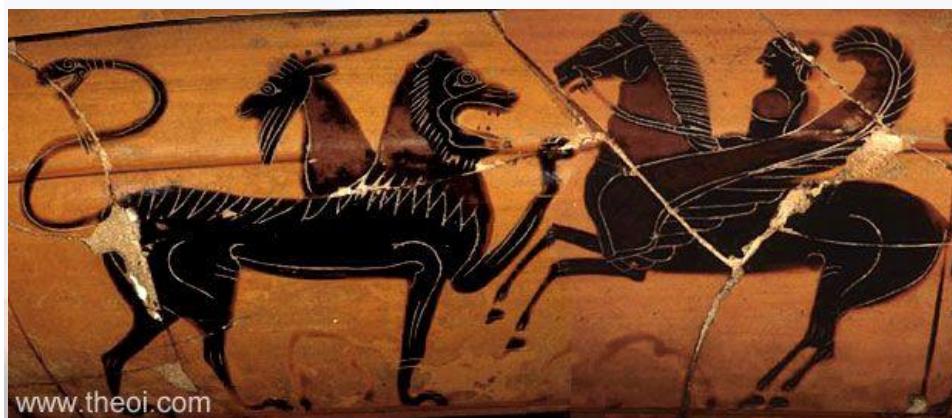


FIG. 3

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Chimera, Bellerophon and Pegasus, Athenian black-figure siana cup C6th B.C., Musée du Louvre



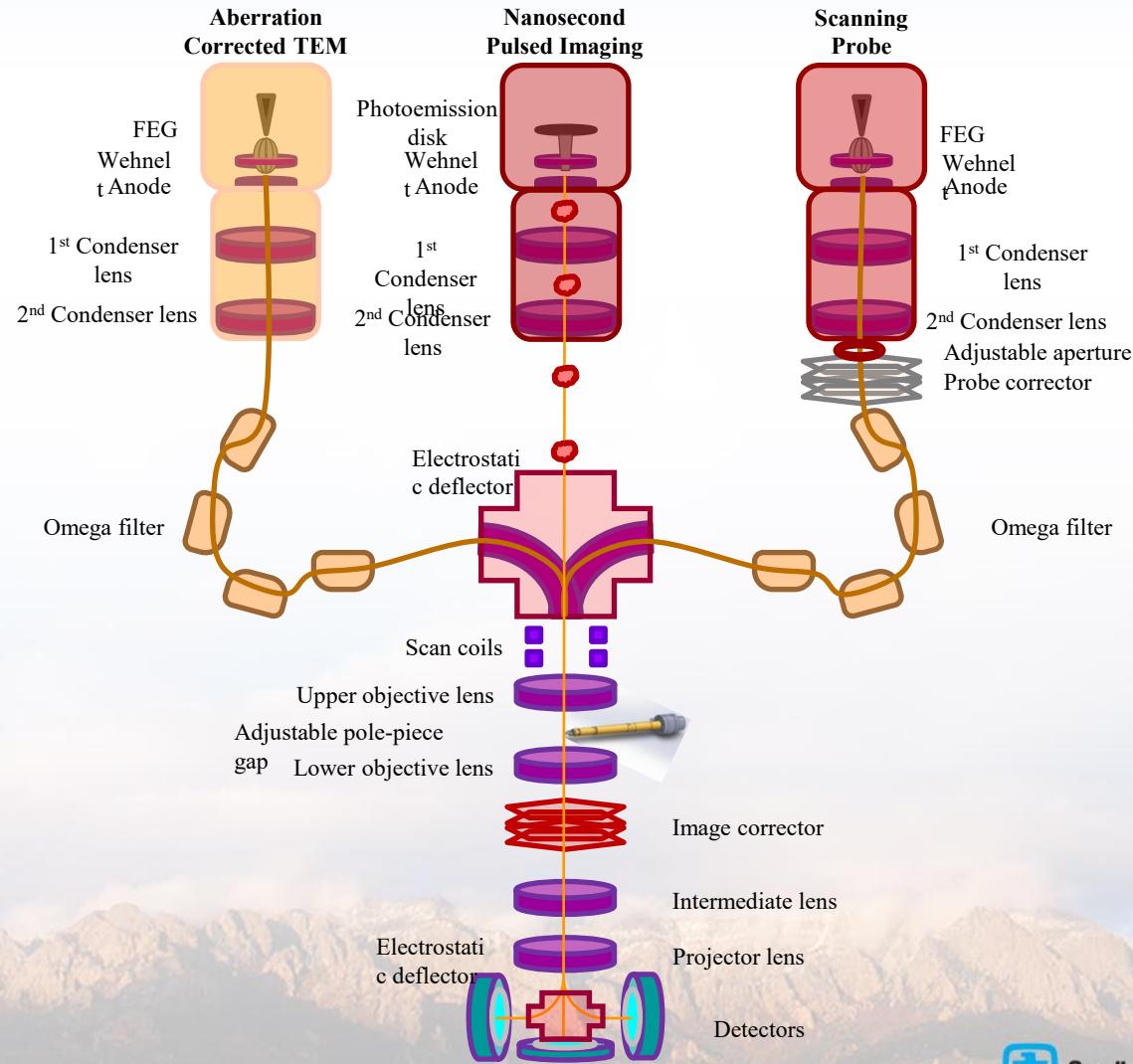
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Can a tool do
everything &
Do anything
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Is An Integrated (Chimera) TEM Possible?



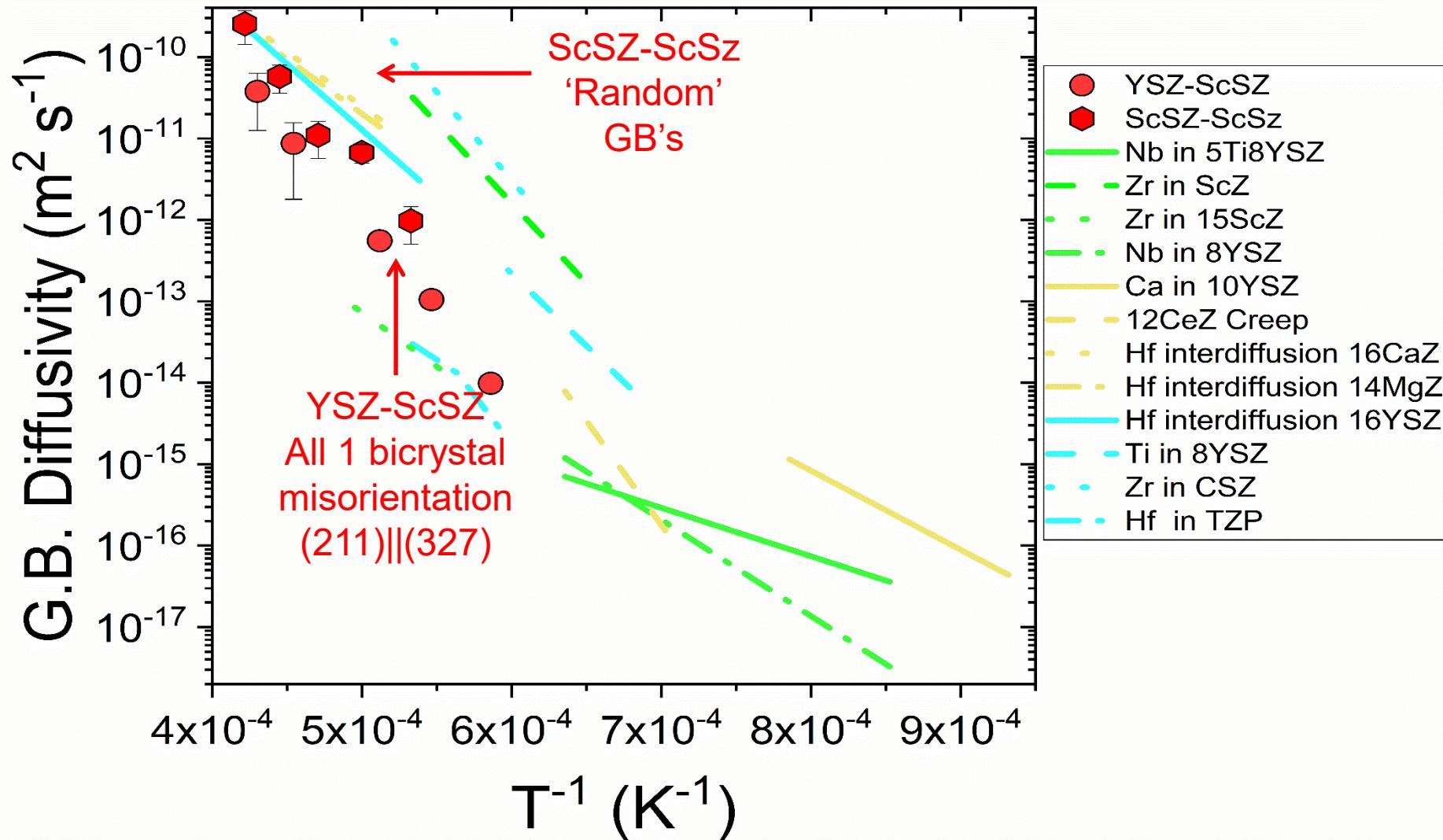
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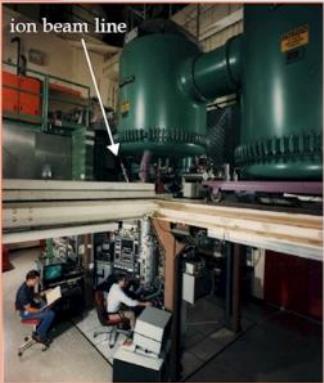
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Calculated G.B. Diffusivity Compared to Literature

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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)

1931
The invention of the TEM

1961
O⁻ emission reported from a TEM filament by Pashley, Presland, and Meneter at TI Labs, Cambridge, UK

1930s...

1968

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

1970s

1978

First in-situ ion irradiation experiments at ANL

1976

First HVEM with ion irradiation at UVA, USA

1980s

1990s

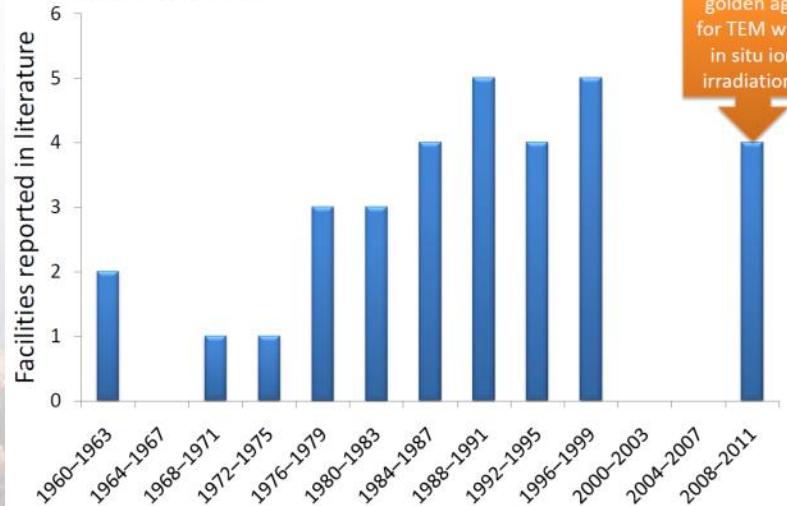
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First dual beam system developed at JAERI and NIMS, Japan

2000s

2010s

Breakdown by Year



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

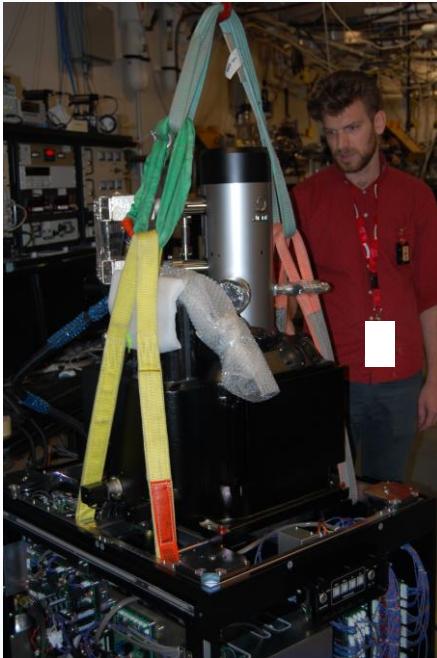
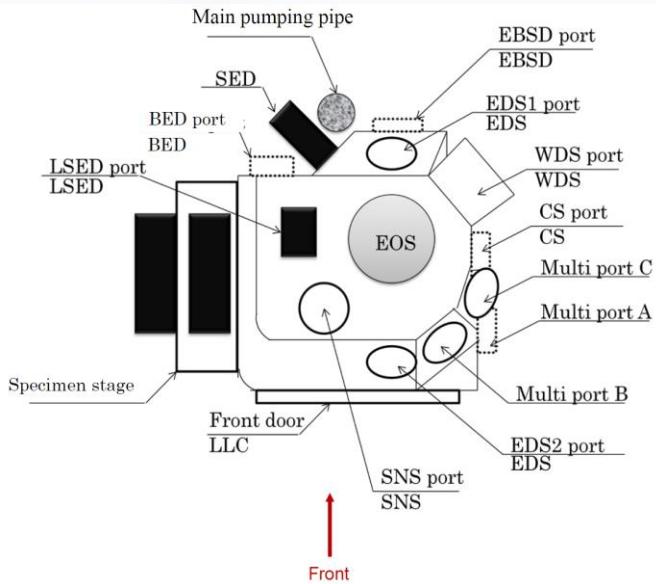
“The direct observation of ion damage in the electron microscope thus represents a powerful means of studying radiation damage”



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

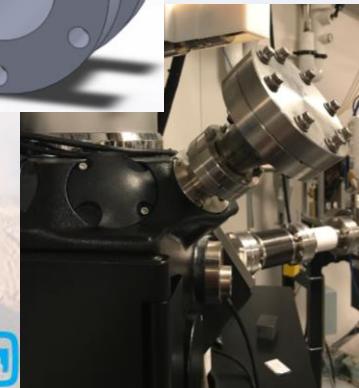
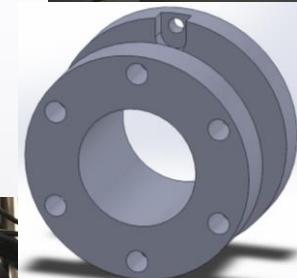
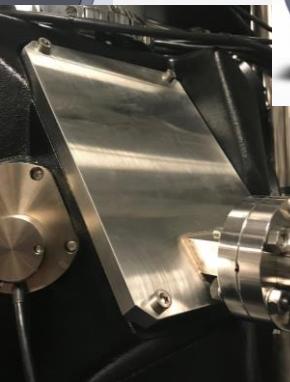
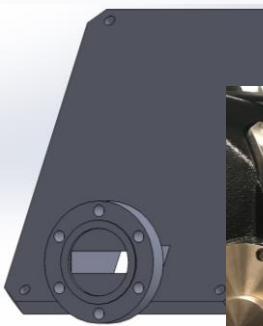
³I SEM Design and Build

Collaborators: D. Buller, B. Boyce, S. Briggs, N. Heckman, J.A. Scott



- 500 eV - 30 kV FEG SEM w/ large chamber and low-vacuum capabilities
- Multiple chamber feedthroughs for connecting beamlines and instrumentation

WDS port selected for primary mate to 6 MV tandem beamline



Recently Installed High Speed EBSD and EDS

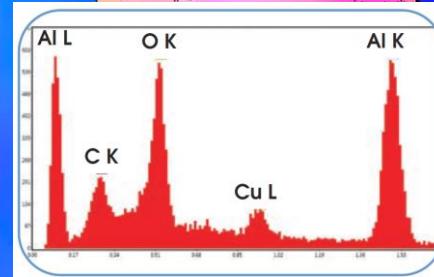
- EDAX Velocity™ EBSD Camera
 - Capable of fast acquisition (> 3000 indexed points per second)
 - High signal-to-noise ratio, phosphor screen optimized for high speed collection

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



45 um

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



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

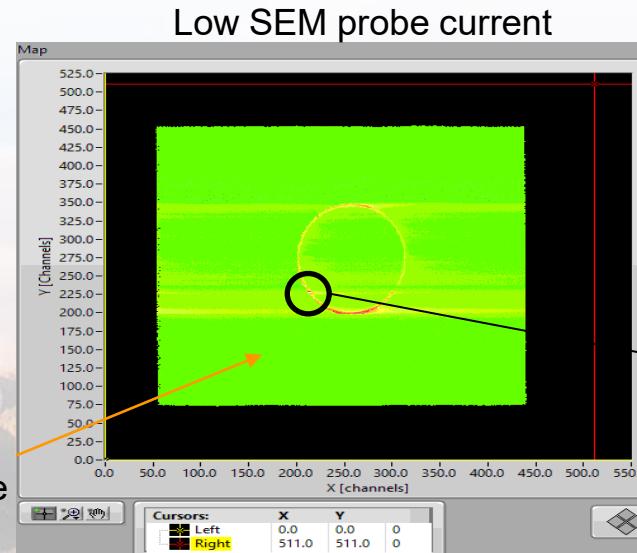


Electrical Characterization in the SEM

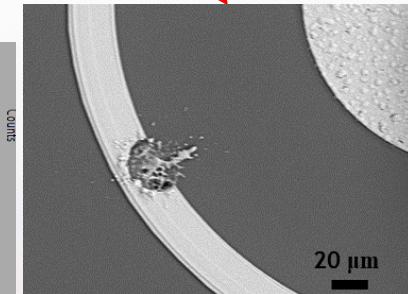
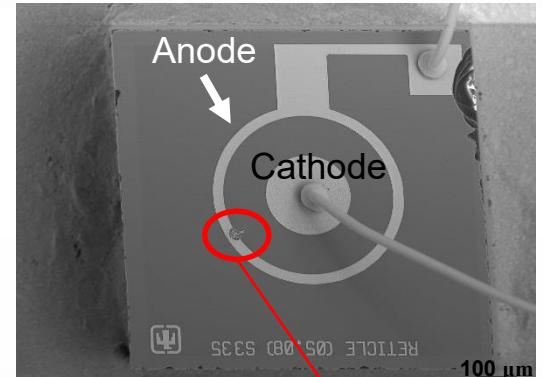
Collaborators: S.A. Briggs, B. Doyle, A. Colon

- Device is biased at 400 V, SEM is rastered while monitoring EBIC signal
- Initial studies show a high EBIC signal around the inner perimeter of the anode
 - This is where the peak electric field is located (i.e. large $\frac{dE(r)}{dV_i}$ in Gunn Theorem)
- Crater after device breakdown with higher SEM probe current was near the location of an EBIC ‘hotspot’. This shows the importance of using this technique towards screening devices

Leakage current



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EBIC ‘hotspot’



Radiation Tolerance in Phase Change Memory

Contributors: Trevor Clark, Eric Lang, Ethan Scott, and David Adams



- **90 nm-thick GST with 0-20% C**

- **Plan View:**

- Anneal (5 °C/min)
- RT irradiation (4dpa)
 - Anneal (5 °C/min)
- 100 °C hold & irradiation (4dpa)

- **Cross section FIB lift-outs:**

- RT Irradiation
- 200 C & 300 C Hold

- **Irradiation Conditions**

- 2.8 MeV Au⁴⁺ up to 4 dpa

No irradiation

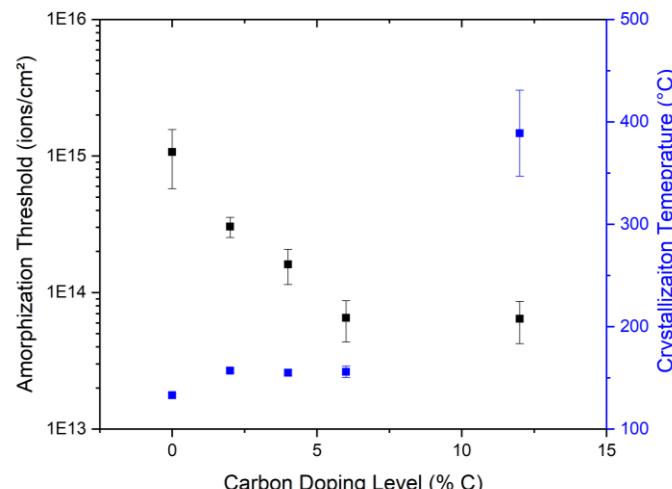
4 dpa

GST 0 %C

Anneal 5°C/min from 100-150 °C

200 nm

15x speed



Amorphization and crystallization temperature are carbon dependent



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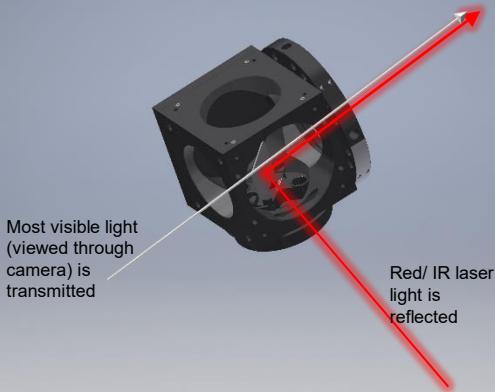
Further Additions Development

Collaborators: M. Abere, S.A. Briggs, E.A. Scott, P. Hopkins, J.P. Allain

Add Laser Capabilities

- Couple nearly parallel concurrent laser beam along the heavy ion beam path into the SEM.
- Current plans will use Quantel Big Sky laser with 1064 and 355 individually or simultaneously

Additional heating and ablation capabilities



Mate with a K&R KDC 10 Plasma Source

- 10 mA gas-fed source, energies from 100 eV to 1.2 keV
- Capable of running inert gases, some reactive gases (H, O₂), and mixtures

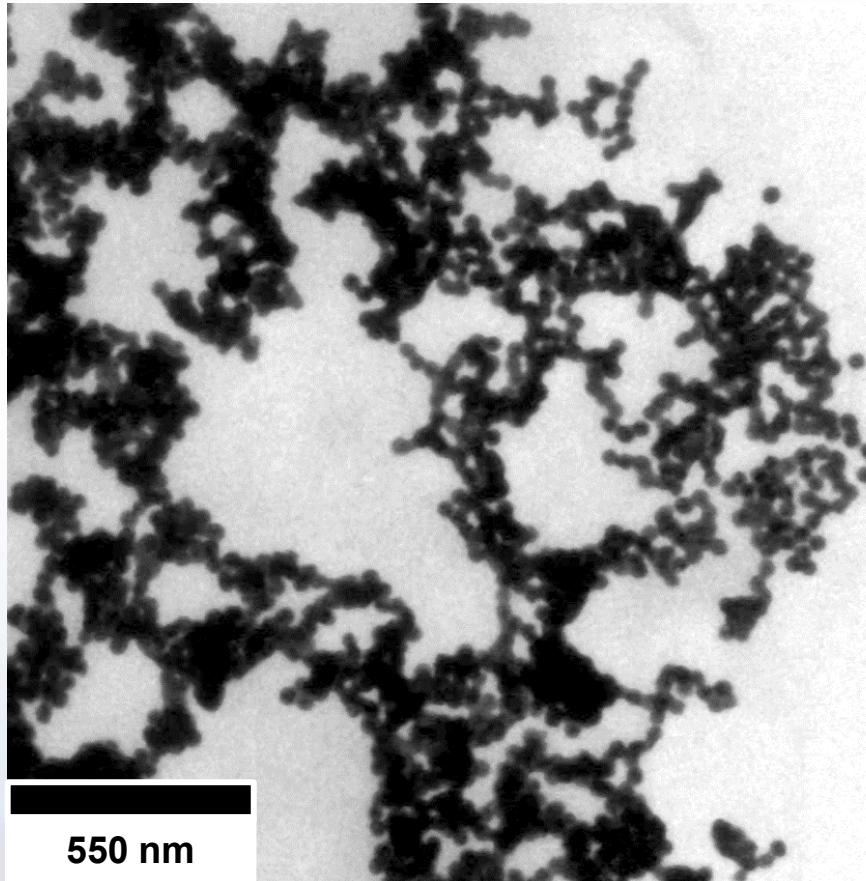


Adds low-E He implantation and dual ion beam capabilities

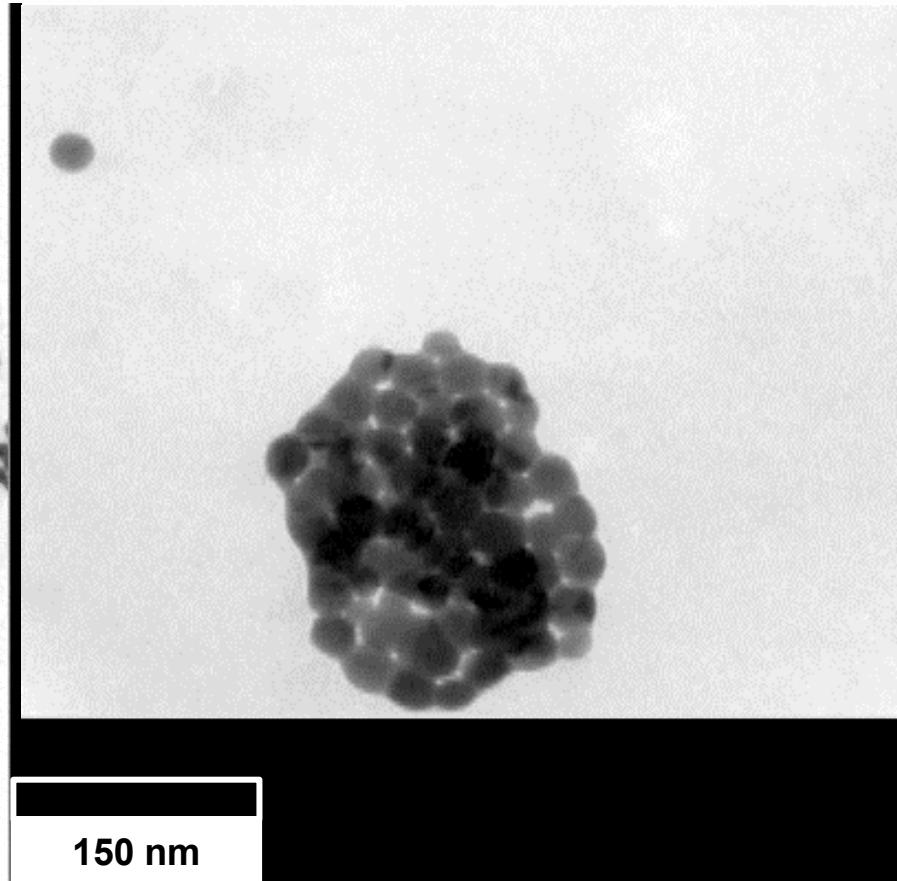


Complex Interaction Au NPs Exposed to Laser Irradiation

Contributors: P. Price, L. Treadwell, A. Cook, & IDES Inc.



Speed = 2.5x



A Complex Combination of Sintering, Reactions, and Ablation Occurs

μ s Resolution with a Standard Camera

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

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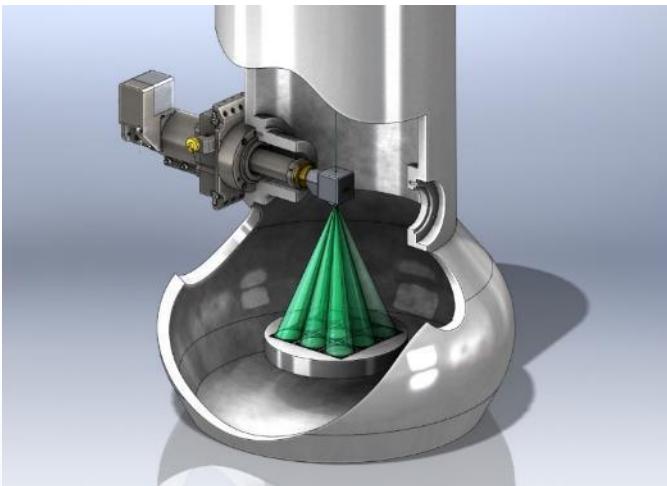
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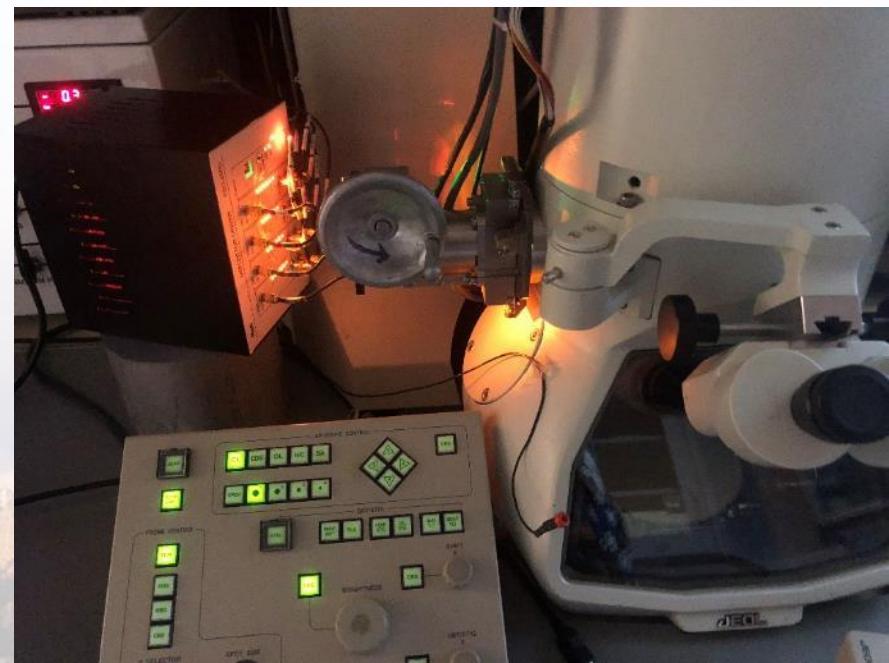
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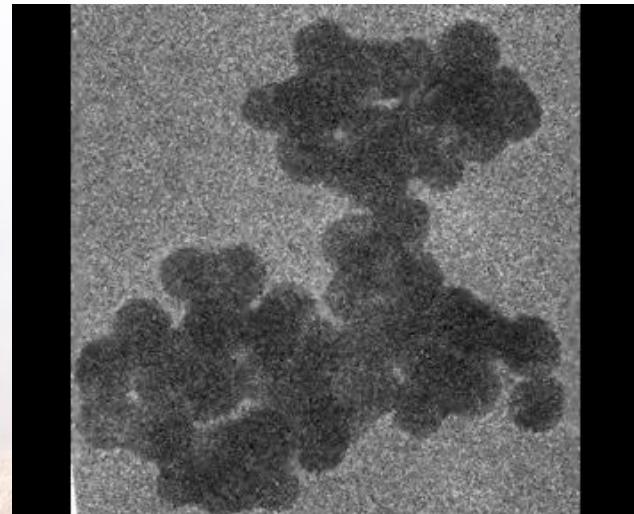
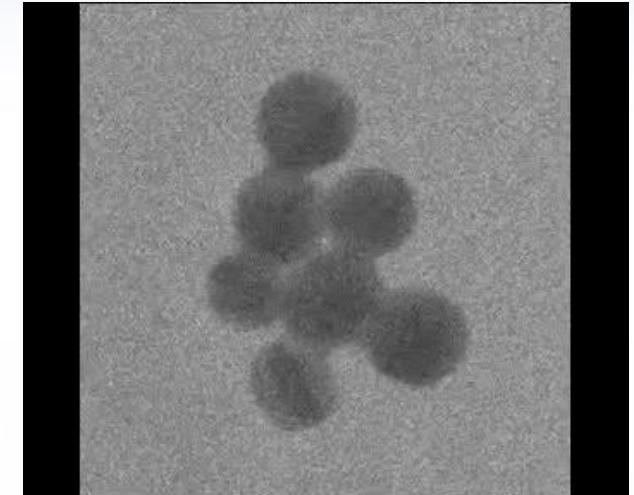
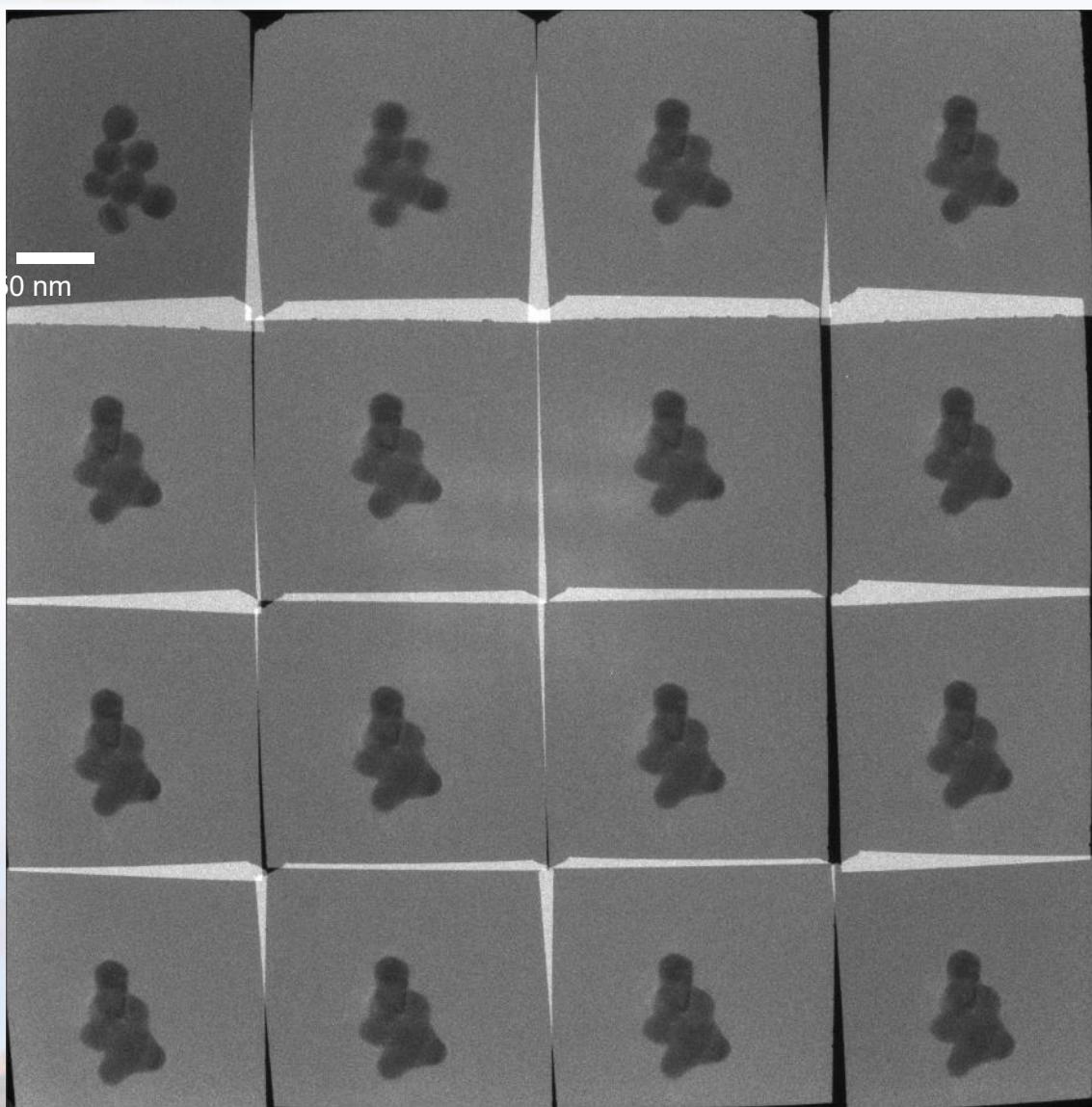


- Electrostatic deflection of electrons
- 4, 9, or 16 images per frame, spread over a large camera
- Any exposure time up to the limits of the camera
 - Ultimate limit is beam current/brightness



1-to-1 Frame Capture (<5 ms per frame) Sintering of 20 nm Au Nanoparticles

Collaborator: P. Price, A. Monterrosa, & IDES Inc.

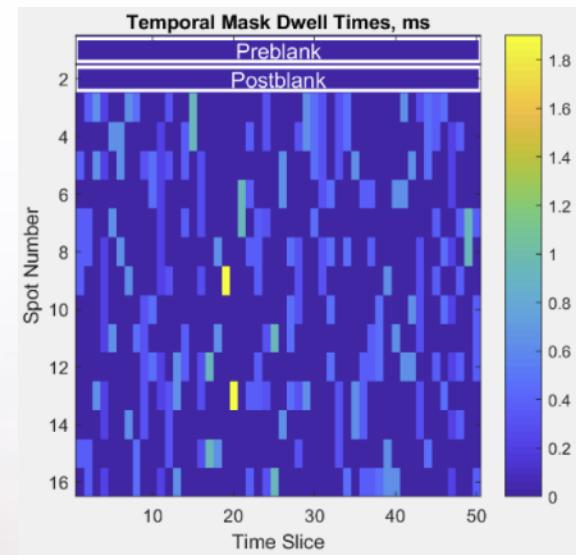
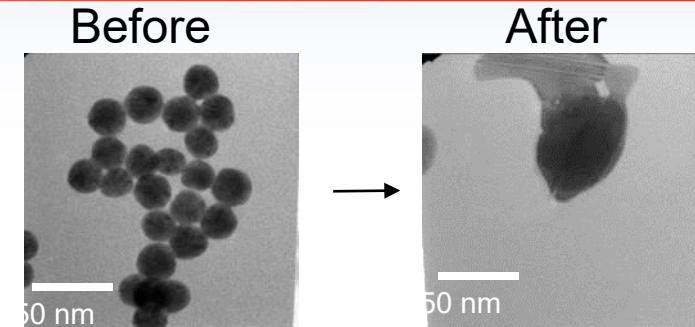
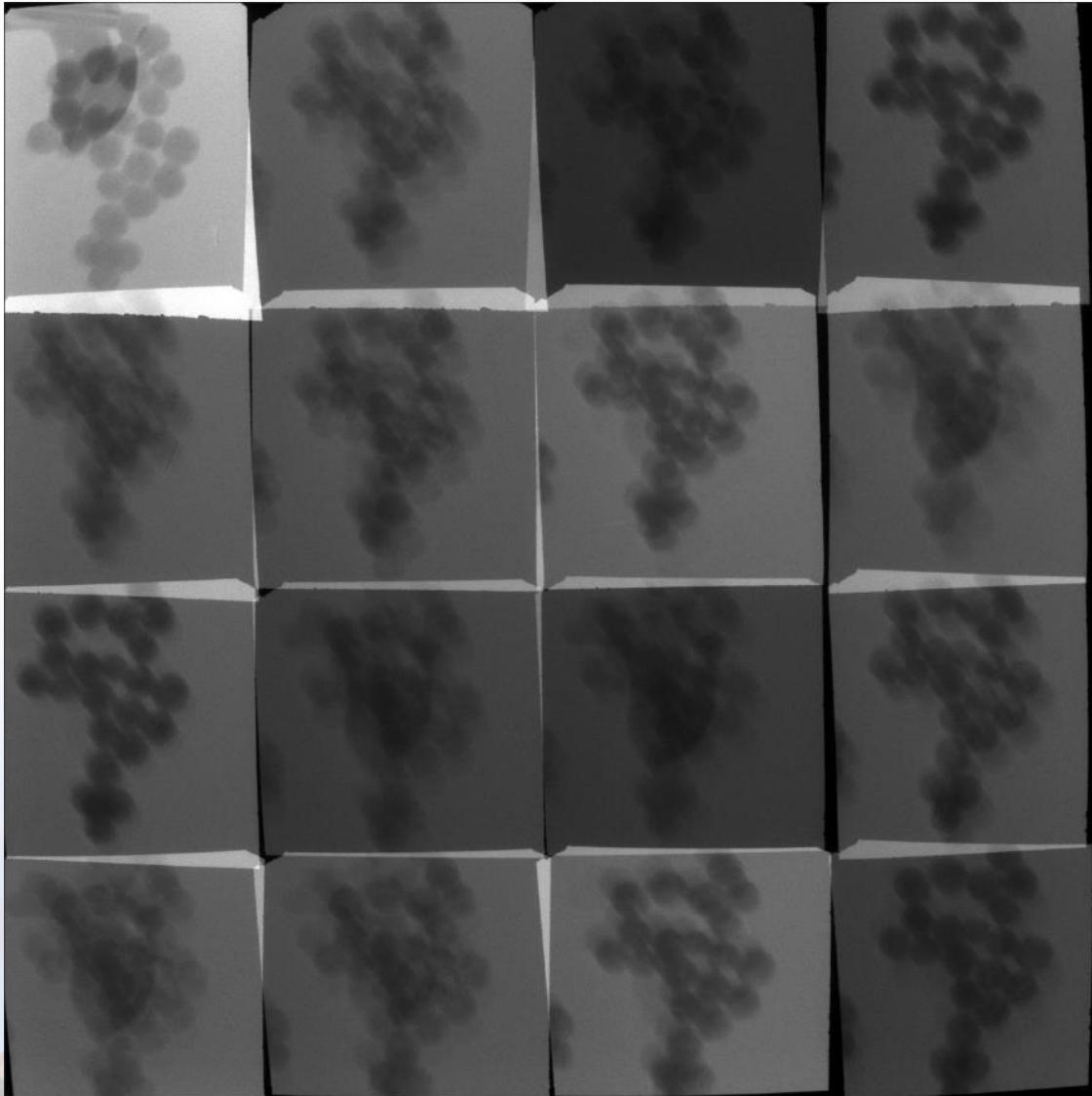


16 frames captured with <5 ms
exposure per frame



Temporal Compressive Sensing to Improve Temporal Resolution

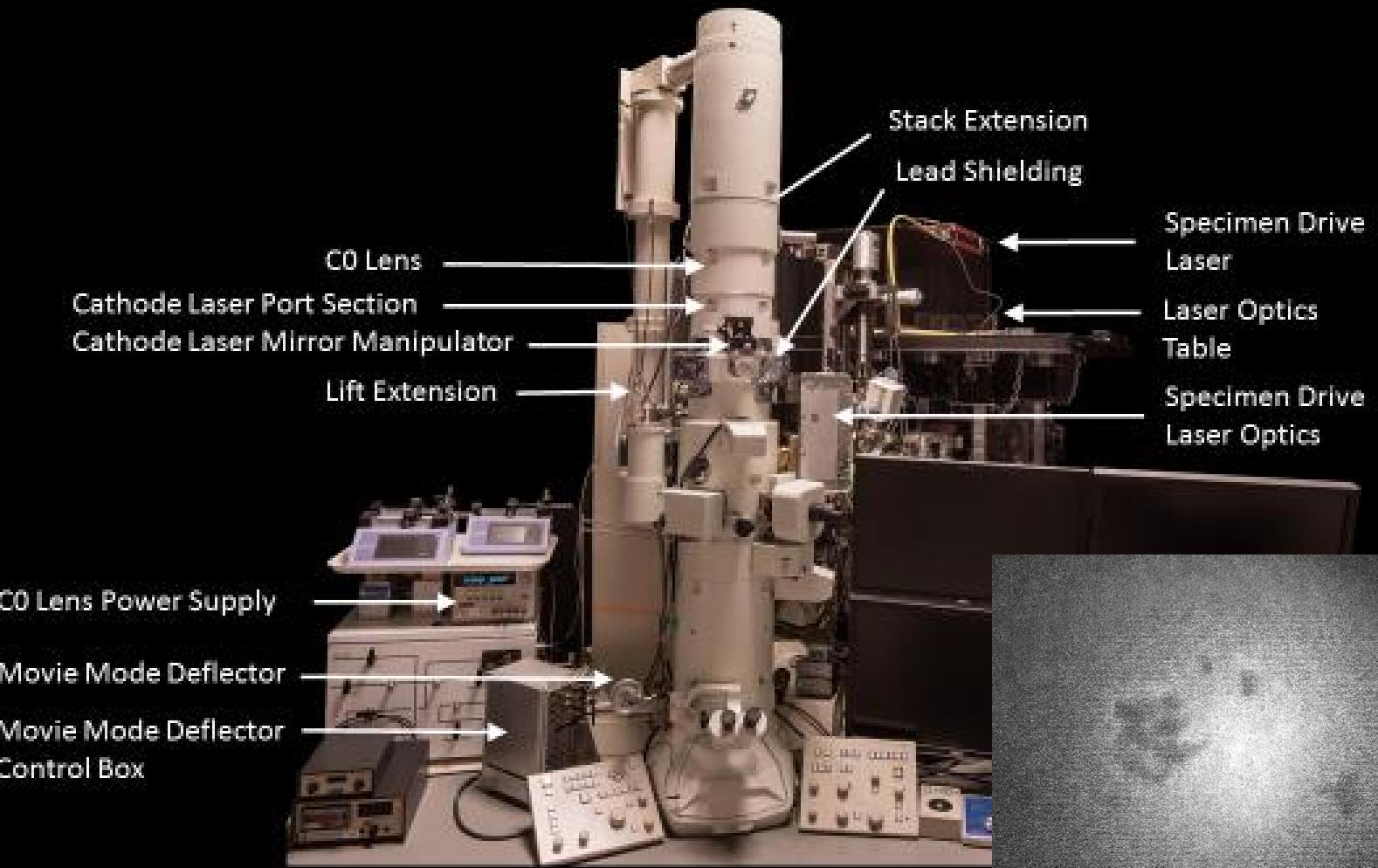
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A pseudorandom exposure pattern can produce more than 100 frame movie from a single 4k x4k acquisition

Current Status of DTEM Conversion

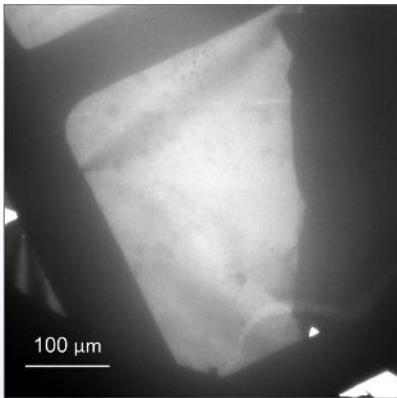
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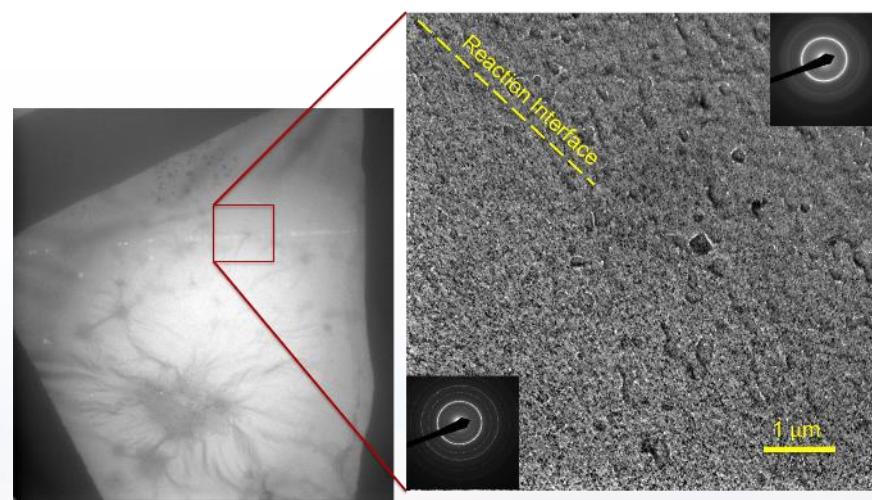
- 266 nm UV laser induced photoemission has been achieved!
- 6 ns laser pulse single-shot DTEM image of P47

DTEM of Reactive Multilayers

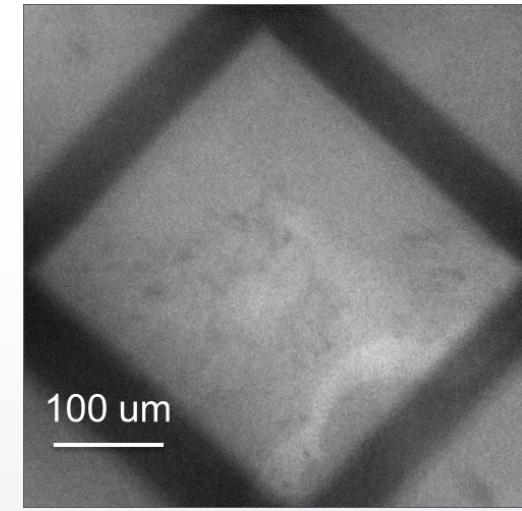
Reactive multilayers provide an excellent example of the capabilities of DTEM. Al/Co multilayer samples are ignited by the IR laser, and convert to a CoAl phase. The reaction front propagates across the sample at ~ 10 m/s. With a fast enough time resolution this wavefront can be captured.



Al/Co
multilayer
sample **before**
IR laser shot



Al/Co multilayer sample **after IR laser shot**
and closeup of reaction interface



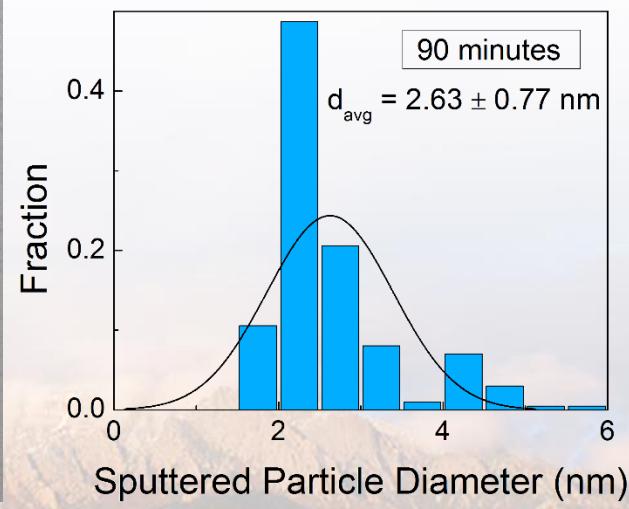
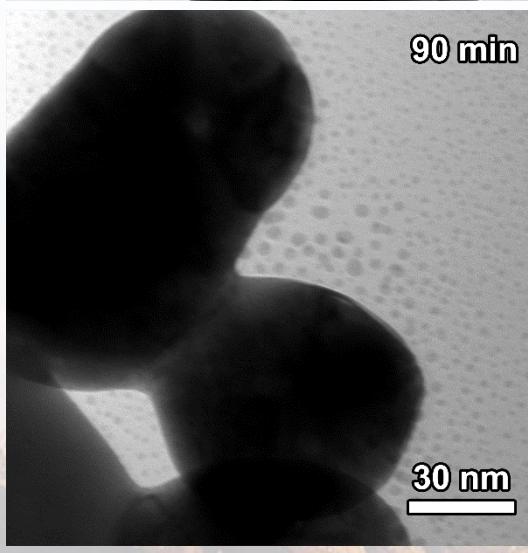
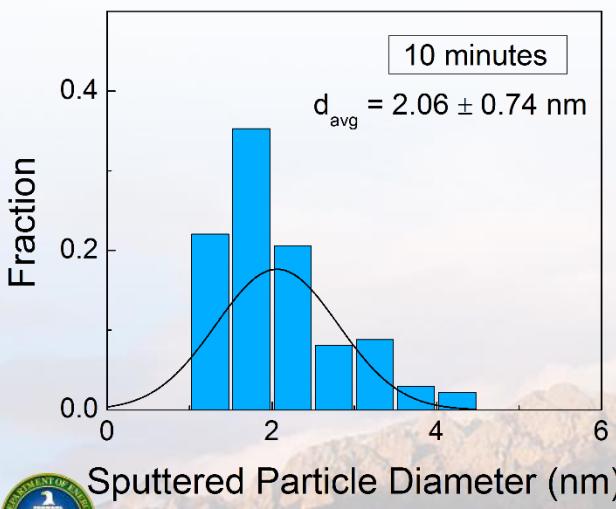
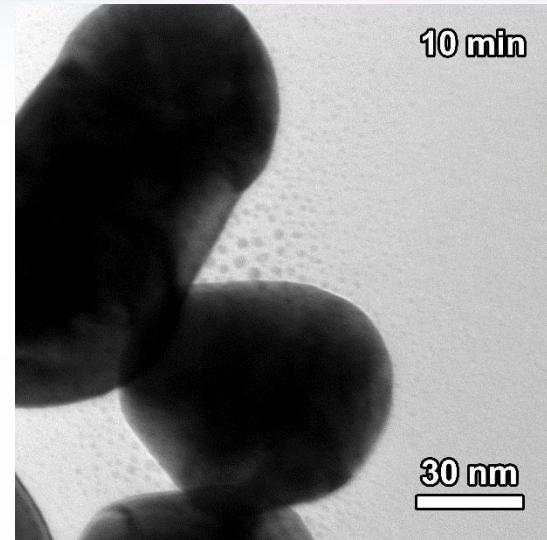
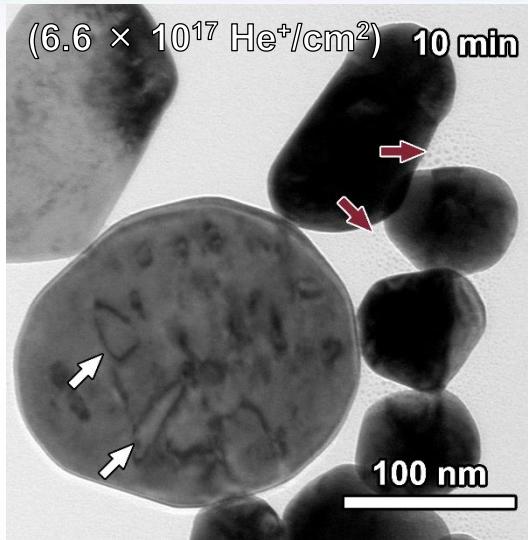
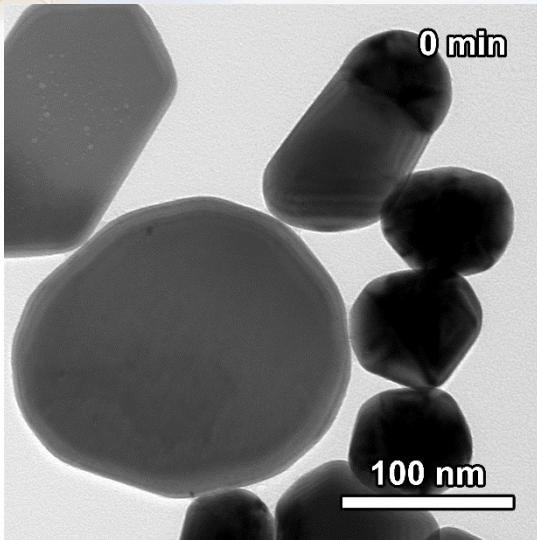
Single shot DTEM of
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multilayer sample



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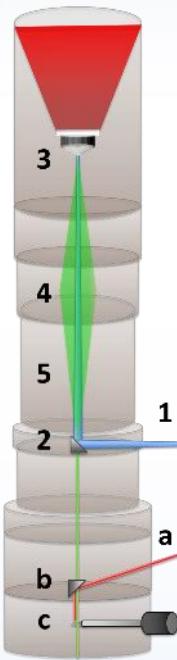
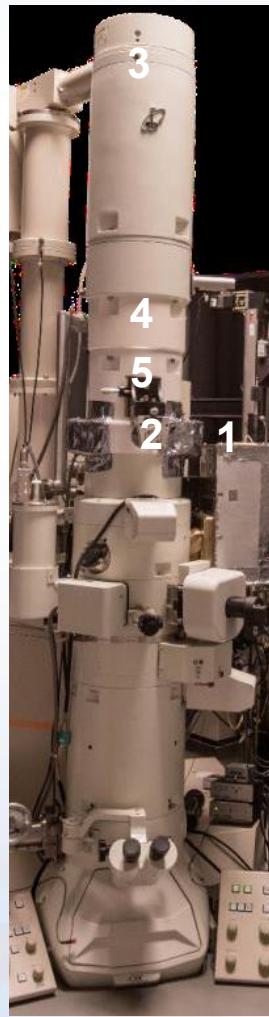
Formation of Dislocation Loops & Sputtered Particles due to He implantation

Collaborators: D.C. Bufford, S.H. Pratt & T.J. Boyle



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Conversion of a Standard JEOL 2100 TEM to DTEM: Increase Current Density



C₀ Lens



Drift Section



UV Laser

A standard LaB₆ TEM has on average 1 or 2 electrons in the column at a given time!

Laser induced photoemission of electrons can increase nanosecond electron current by 6-8 orders of magnitude

DTEM Development

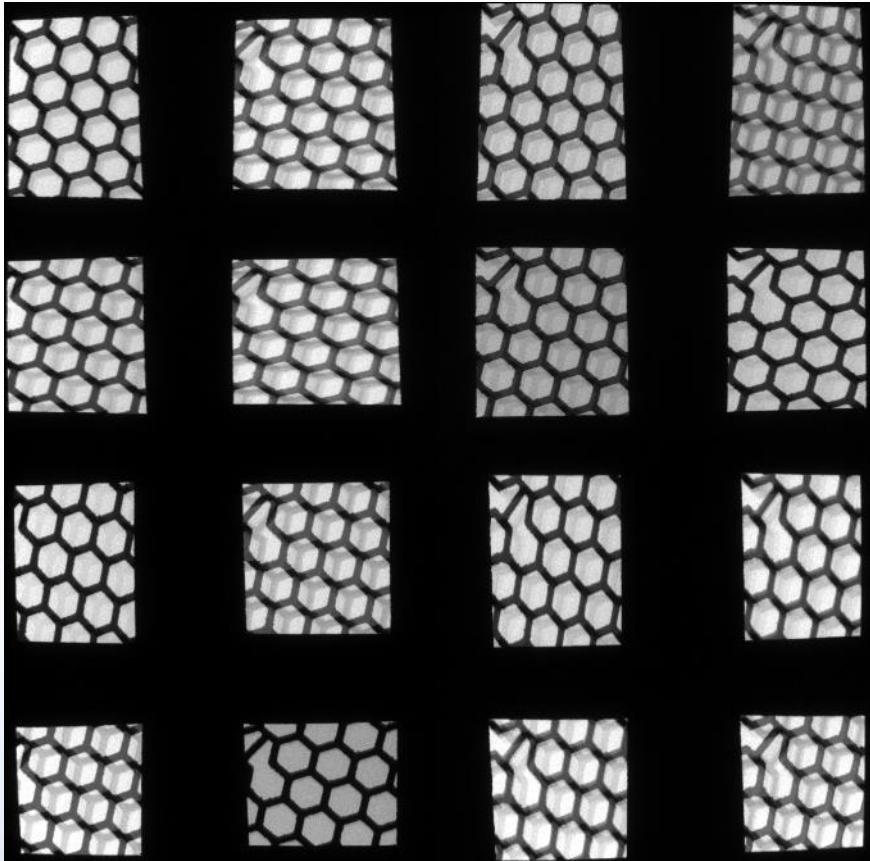
1. Ultraviolet laser and optics system capable of producing nanosecond pulses
2. Adjustable molybdenum mirror assembly to reflect the UV laser up the column
3. Tantalum cathode disc filament
4. Addition of a C₀ lens and power supply to gather electrons increasing current to the specimen
5. Addition of a drift section to condense electrons from the C₀ lens
6. Lead shielding as needed to ensure safe operation of the instrument



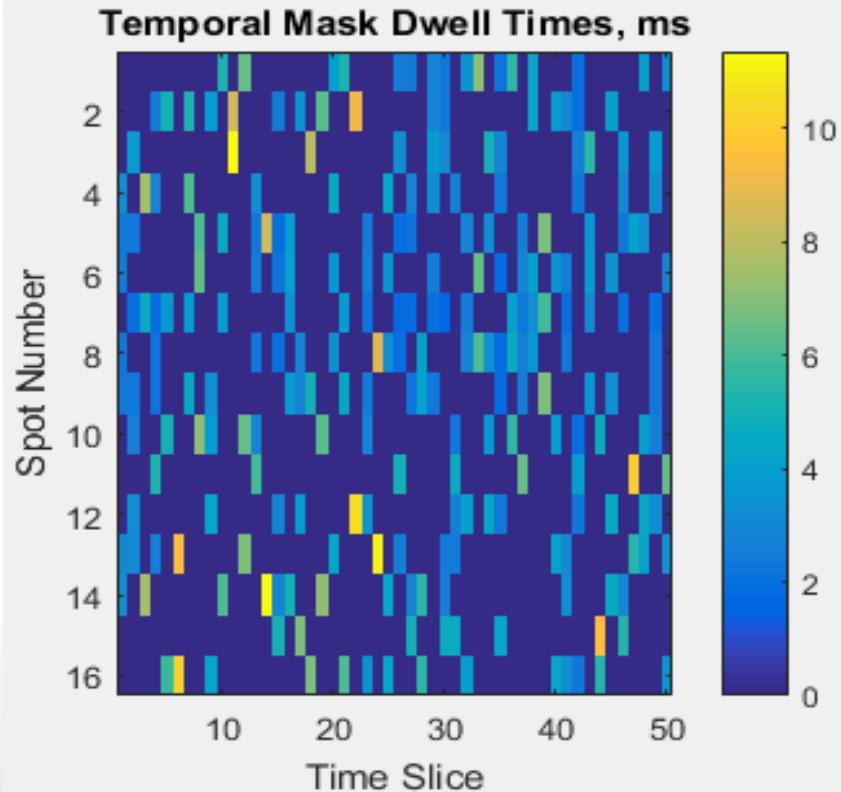
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Movie Mode & Temporal Compressive Sensing

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Up to 100 exposures can be acquired on a single camera frame giving μs temporal resolution



- Electron intensity of a single exposure is randomly distributed to multiple images within a single frame
- Record of random mask used to distribute exposure intensity is later used to deconvolute images

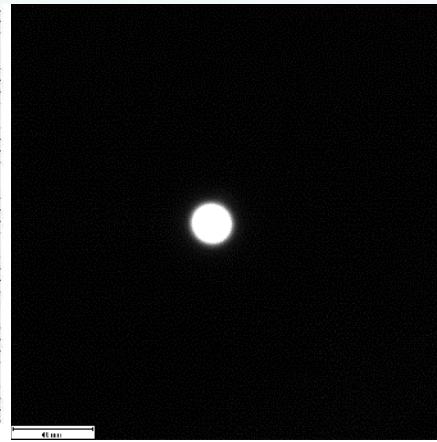
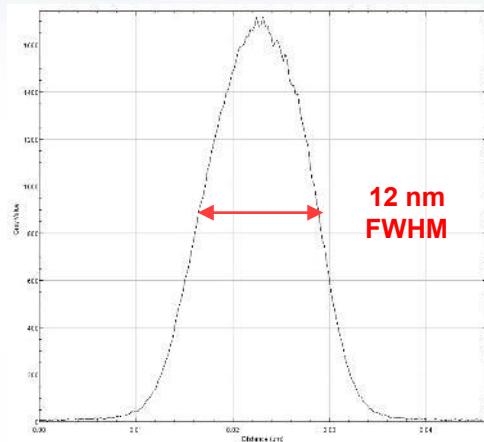


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Tantalum Filament Exchange

■ Changes with C_0 lens setting of 0V

- 50% reduction in electron
 - LaB_6 ~ 50 pA/cm²
 - Ta ~ 30 pA/cm²
- Higher beam current at from source
 - LaB_6 ~ 7 μA
 - Ta ~ 23 μA
- Increase in minimum spot size for precession
 - LaB_6 ~ 8 nm FWHM
 - Ta ~ 12 nm FWHM

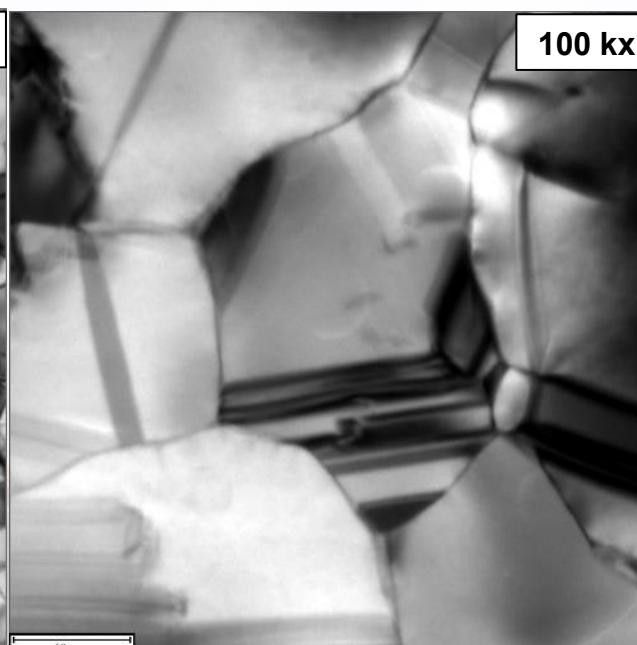
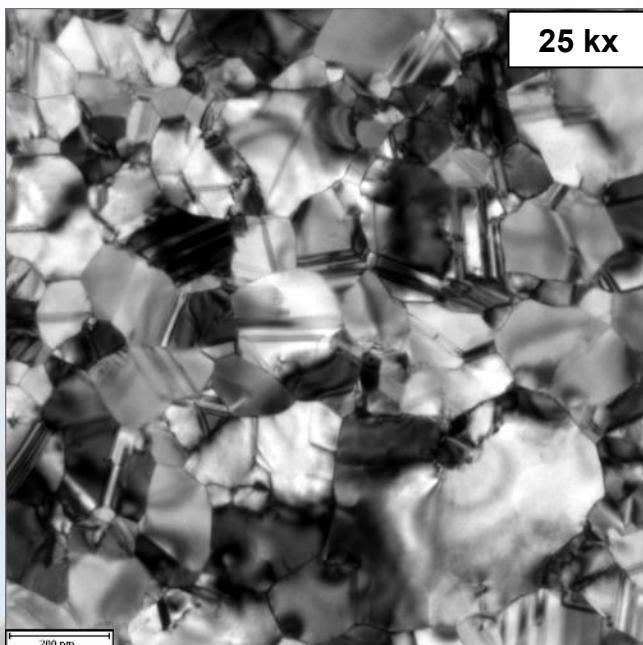


Above:

Smallest achievable spot size for precession with Ta cathode

Left:

Bright field TEM images of nanocrystalline gold taken with Ta filament



Easily switch between DTEM and thermal emission with good resolution in minutes!

Filament exchange in as little as 90 min.

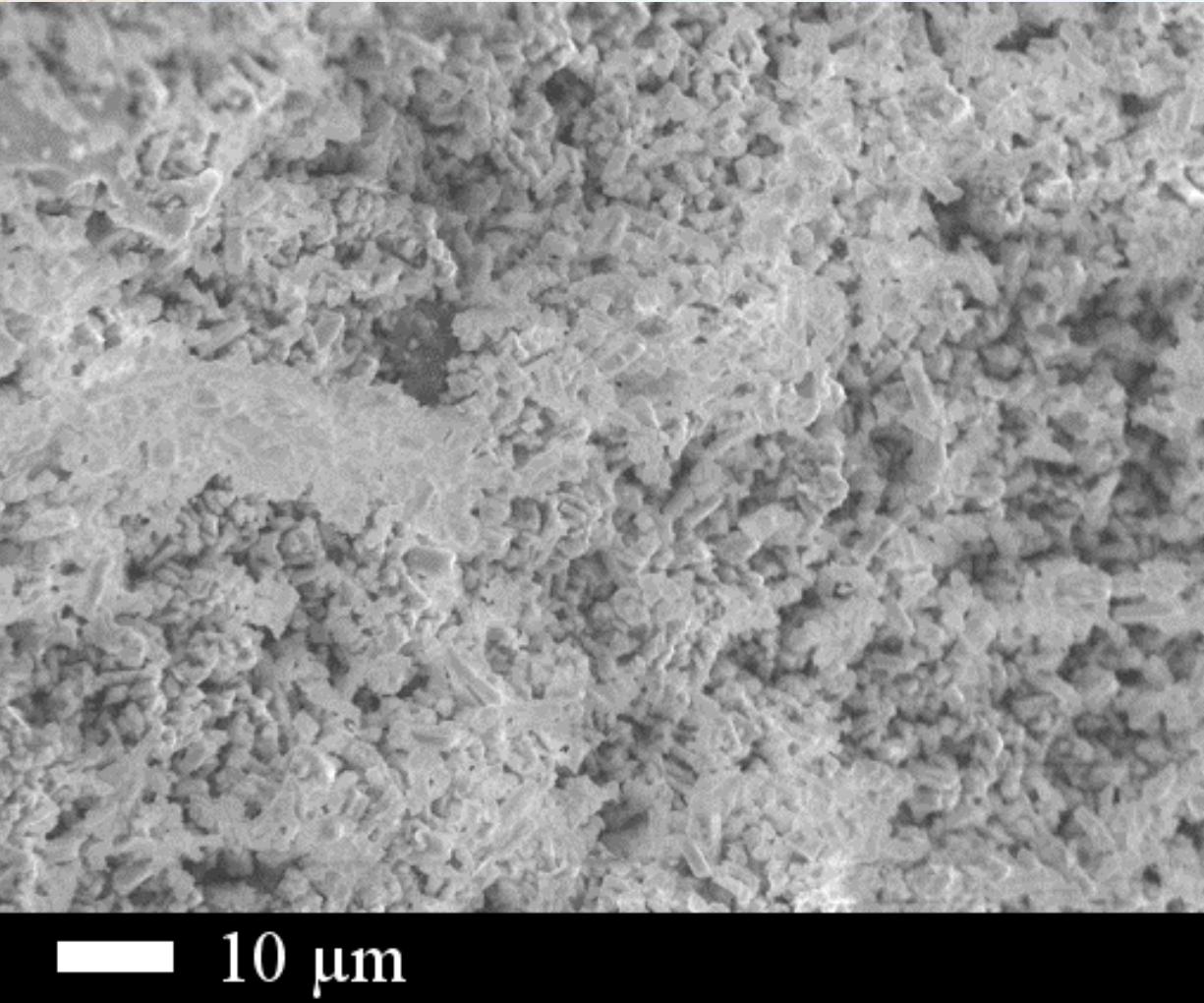


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Heavy Ion Irradiation of Ceramics

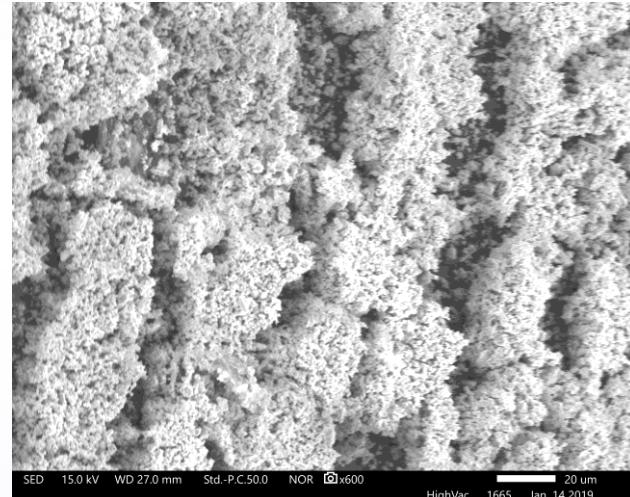
Collaborators: D. Buller, N. Heckman, A. Monterossa, C. Bryan



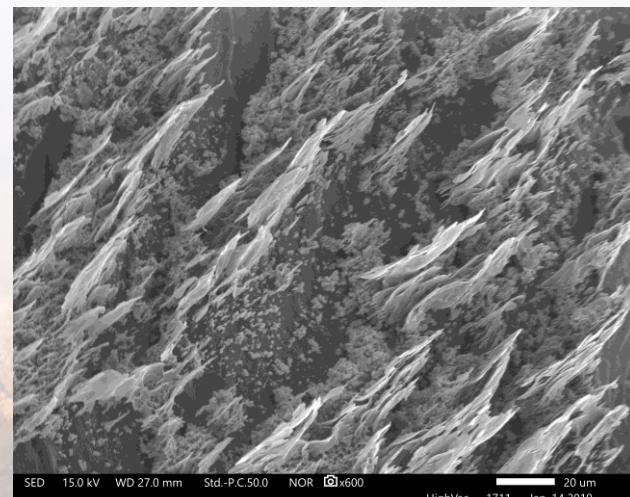
10 MeV Au into ZrO_x based waste form



Prior to Irradiation



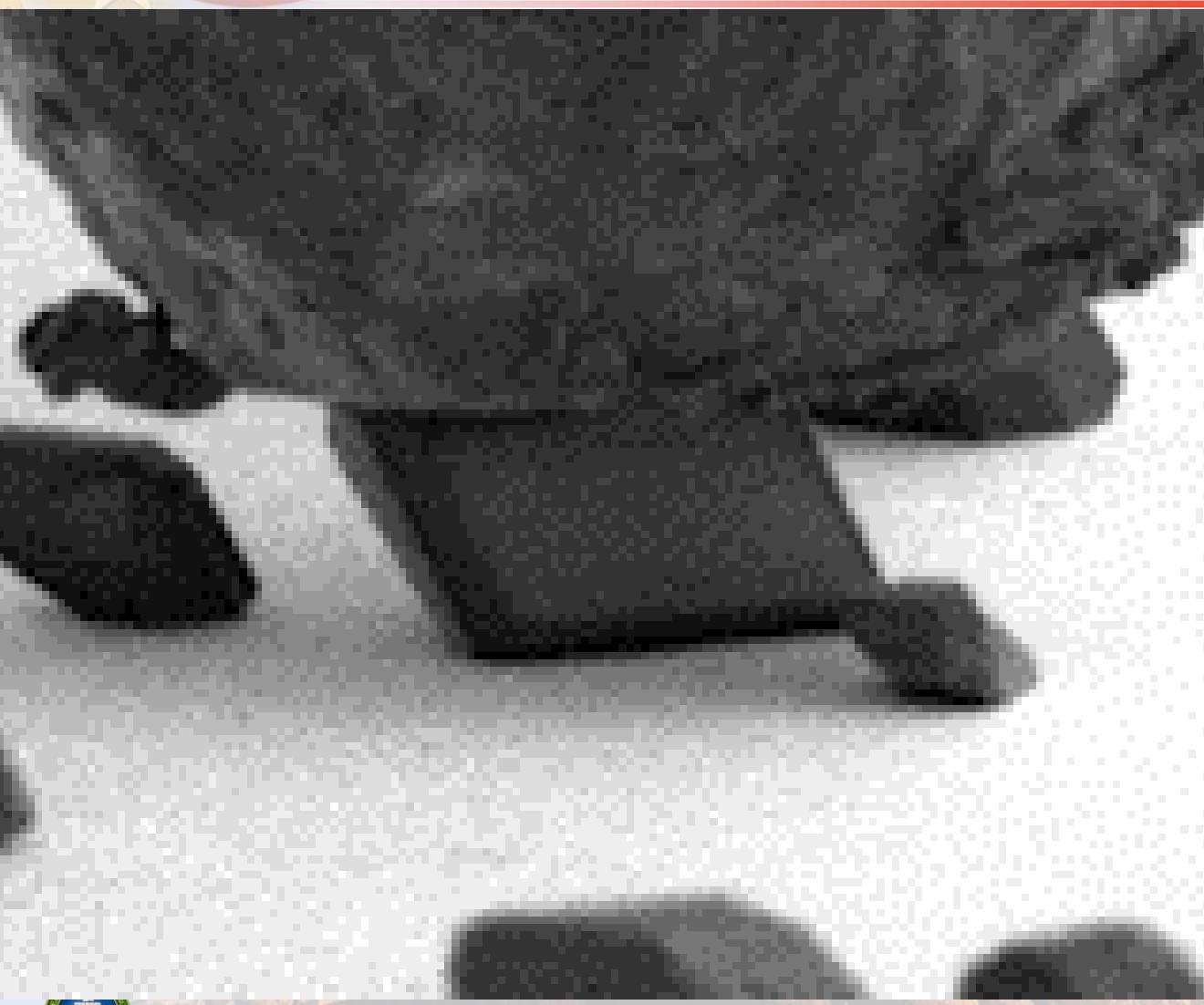
Post Irradiation



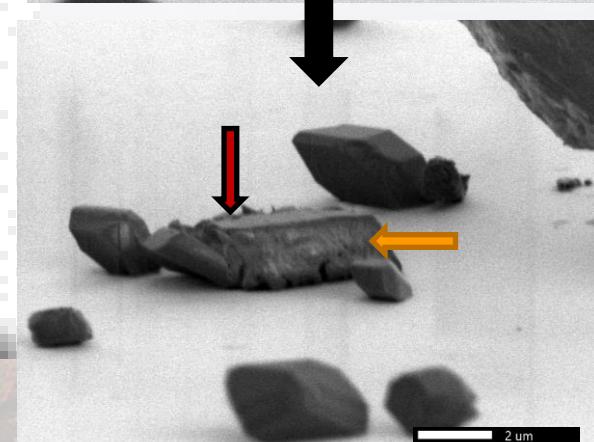
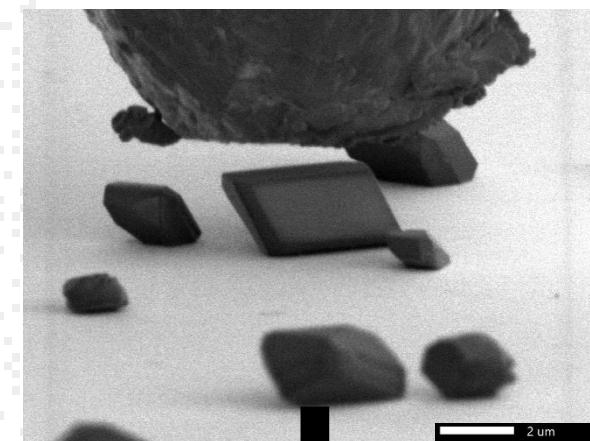
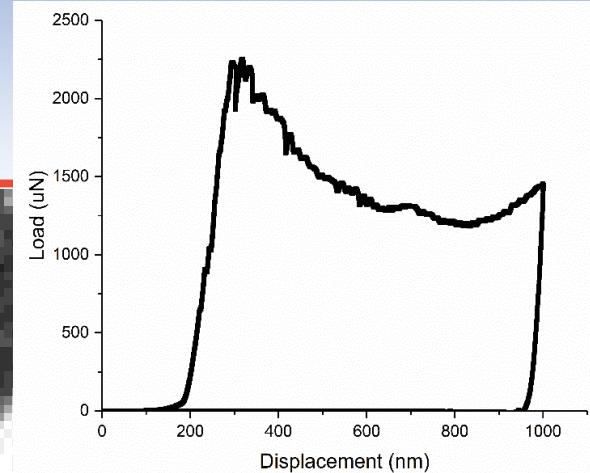


In situ Compression: Molecular Crystals

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



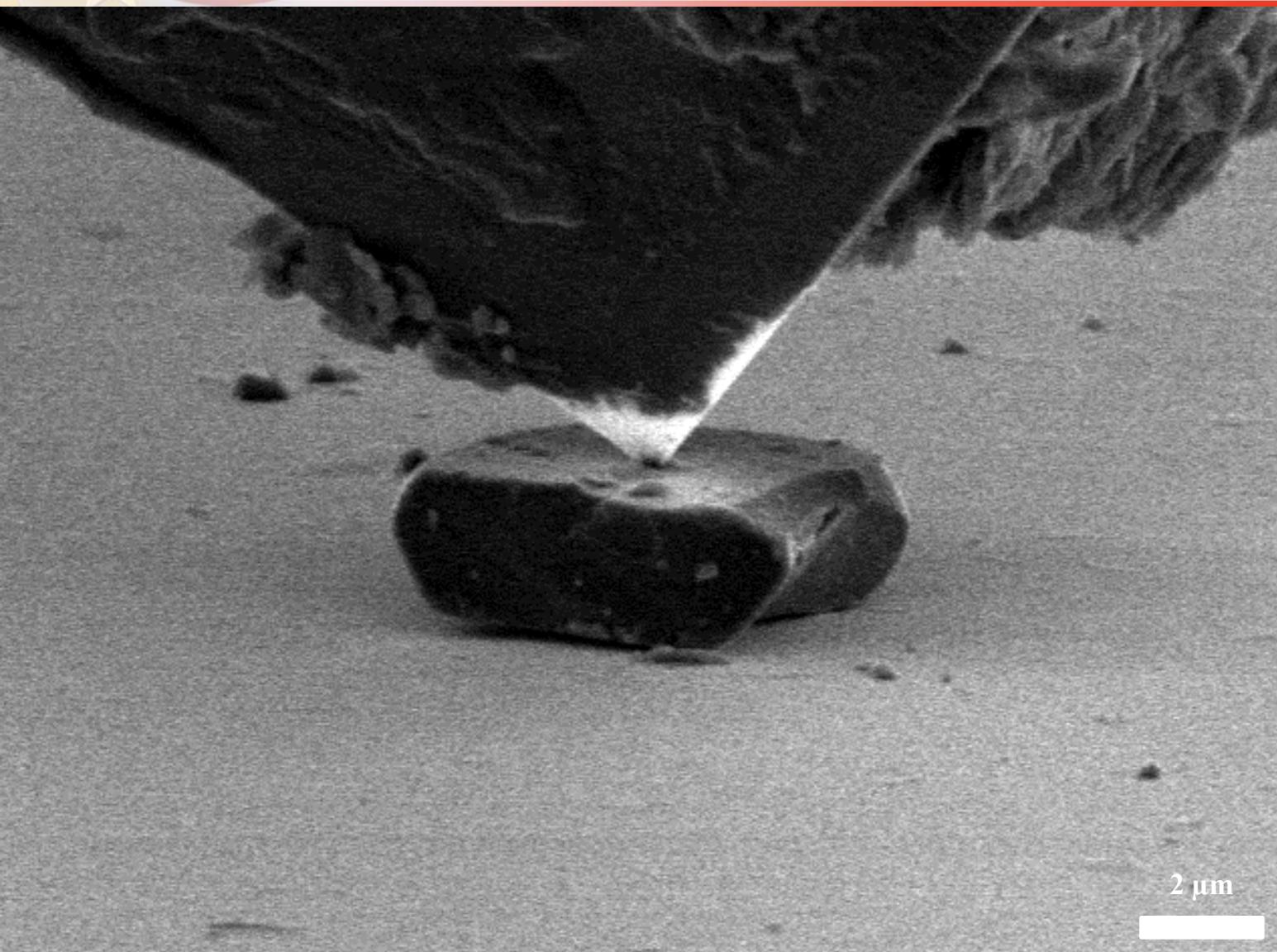
Displacement controlled fracture of molecular crystal





In situ Indentation: Ceramics

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

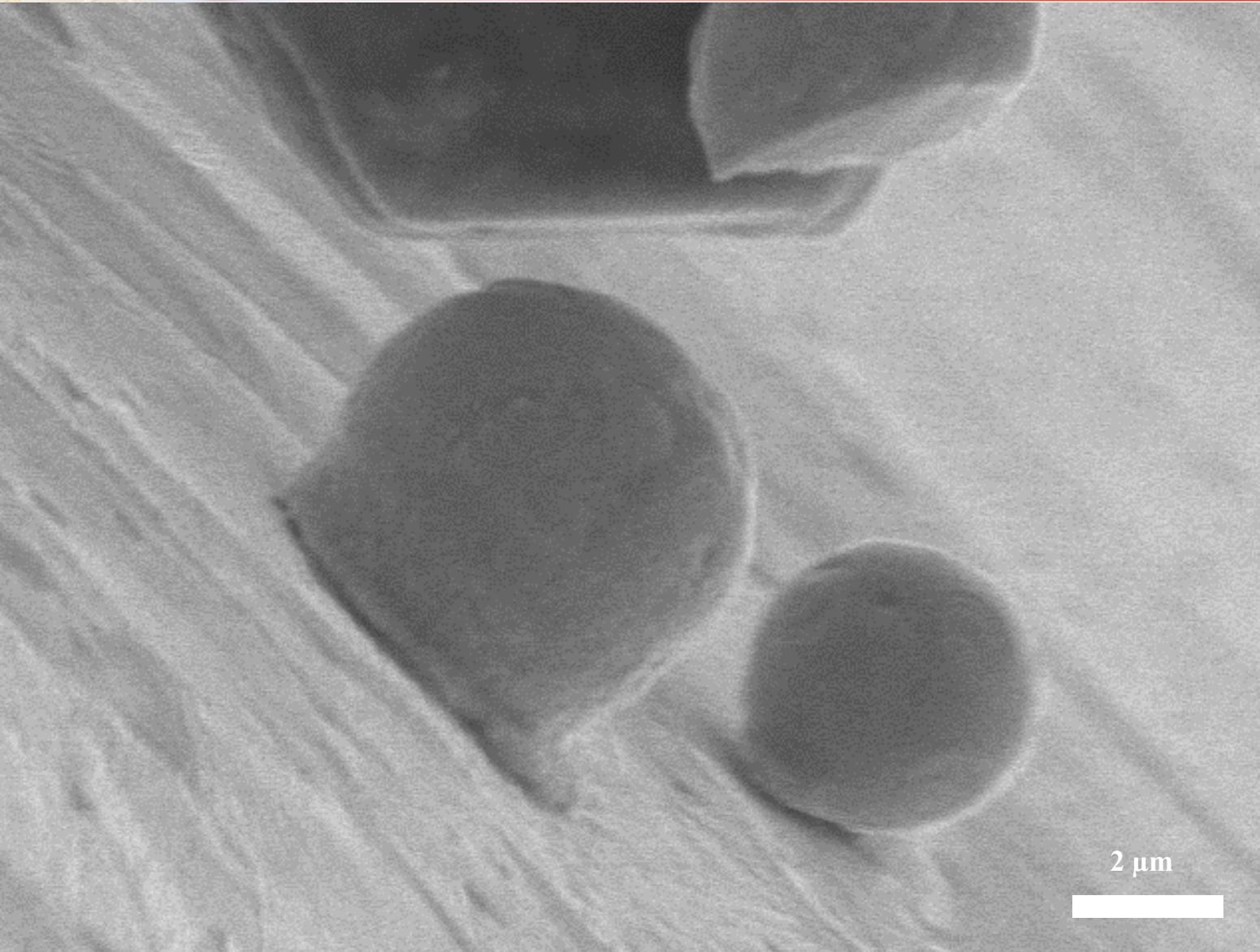


Alumina
30 mN peak
load
3 mN/s load
rate
1x speed



Angled *In situ* Compression: Steels

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



Kovar
5 micron
displacement
0.5 micron/s
1x speed