

Tungsten for Structural Divertor Parts

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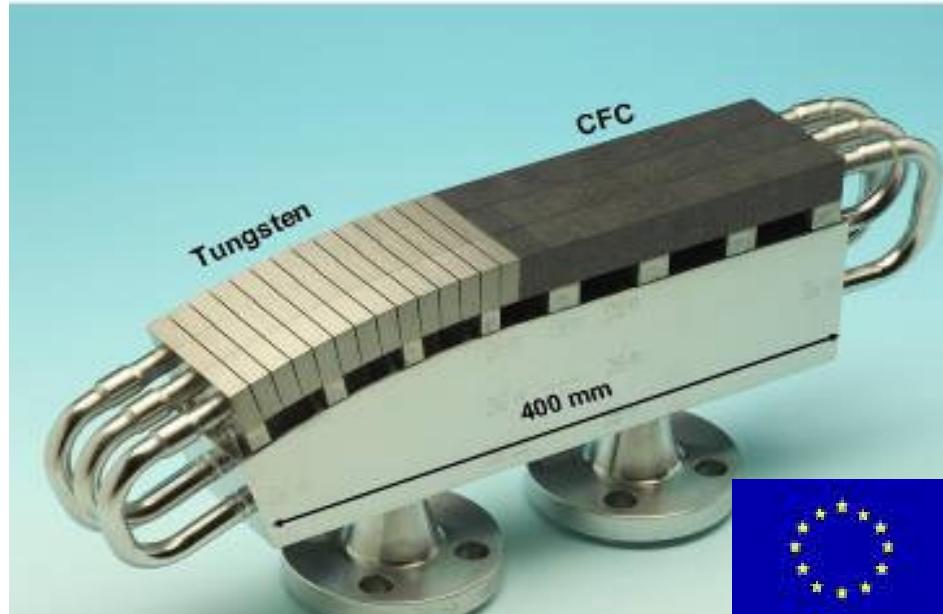
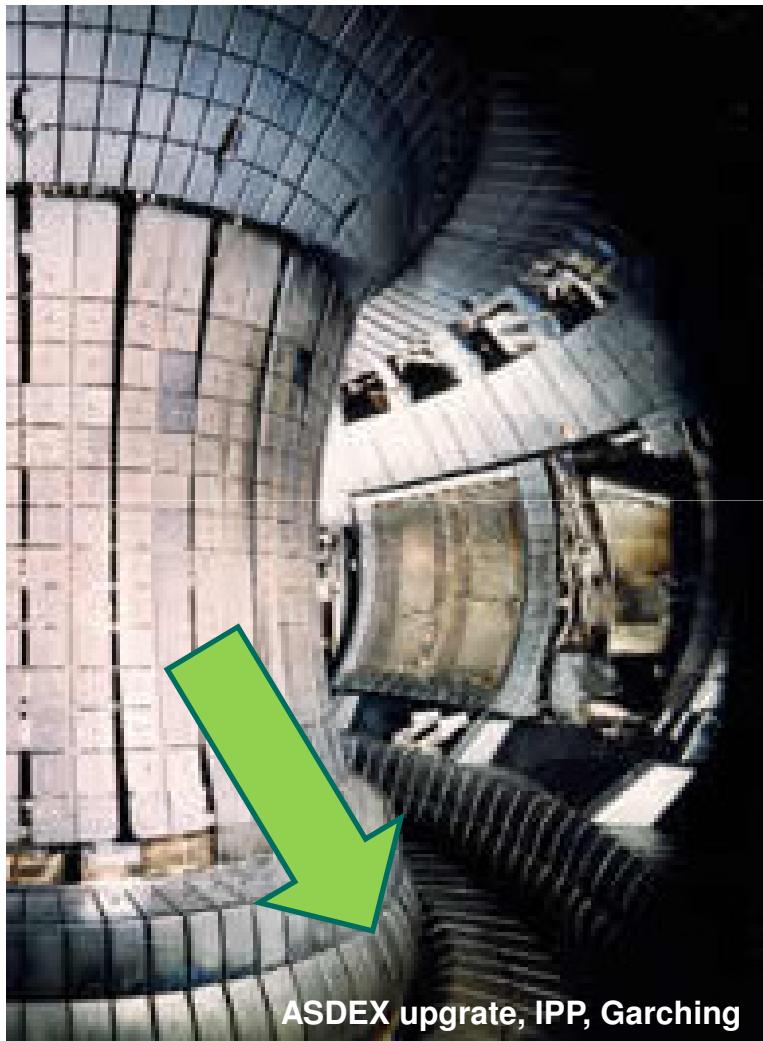
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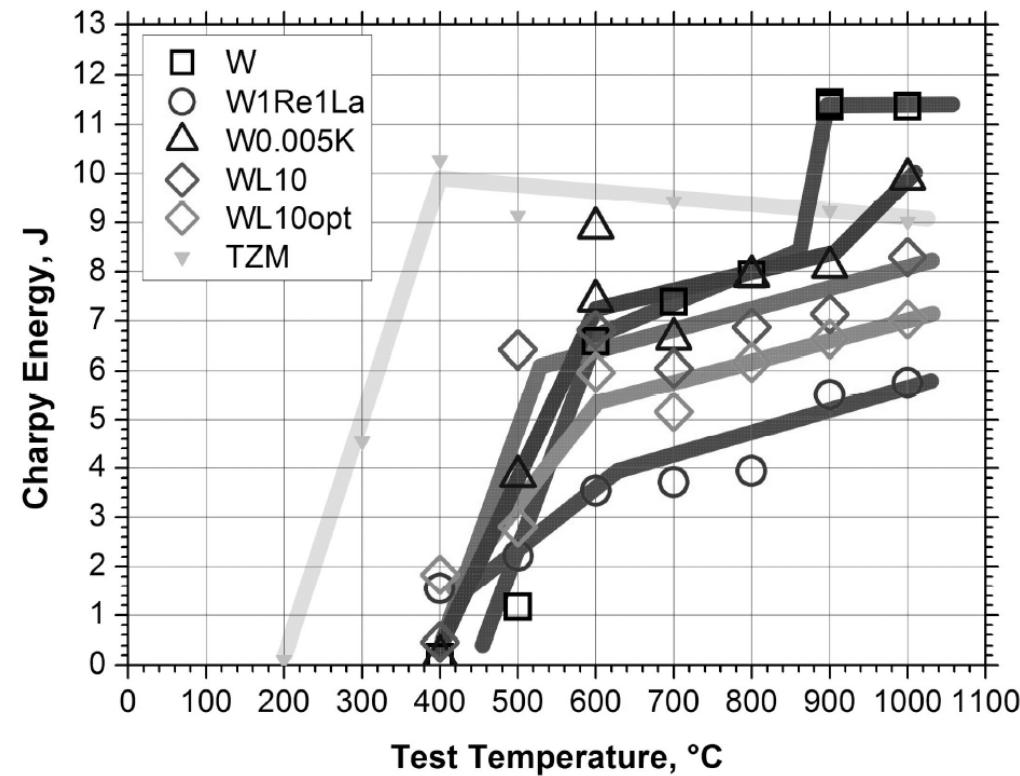


Introduction

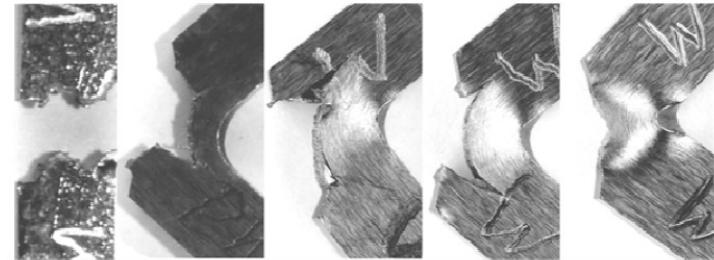


requirement: W for structural parts

The problem: brittle-delamination-ductile



brittle → delamination → ductile



M. Rieth, KIT [1,2]

■ Literature:

- [1] M. Rieth et al., Adv. Sci. Tec. **73**, 11, (2010).
- [2] M. Rieth, A. Hoffmann, Adv. Mater. Res. **59**, 101 (2009).

Aims of material development

1. How to make tungsten ductile?

→ decrease DBTT



2. How to increase the grain boundary strength?

→ avoid delamination

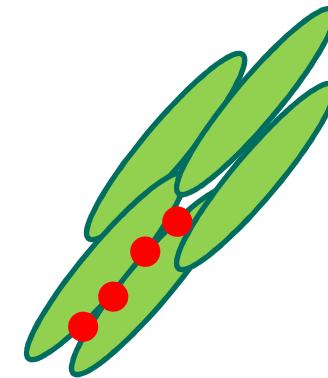
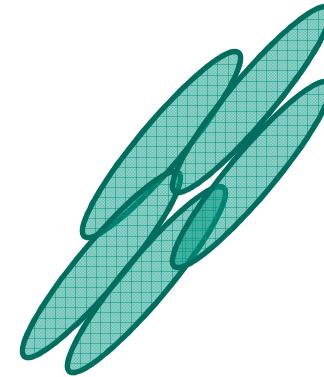
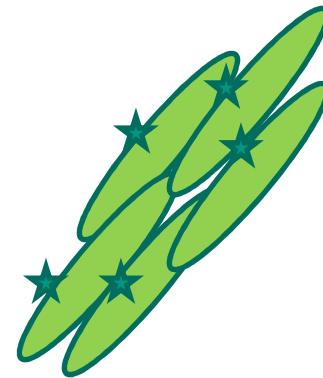
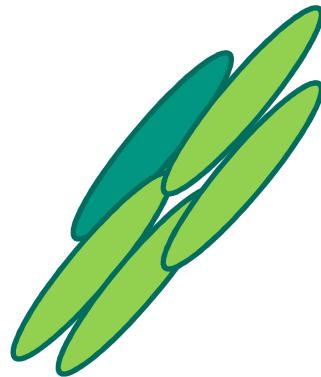


3. How to stabilize the grain boundaries?

→ avoid r_{xx}, see ODS tungsten



How to improve tungsten?



oxides?
 La_2O_3 (WL10)
 Y_2O_3
 TiC (tbd)

→ NO!

insoluble metals?
 K (WVM)

→ NO!

solid solution?
 WTa , WV
 WTi (tbd)
see *R. Pippan, M. Rieth*

→ NO!

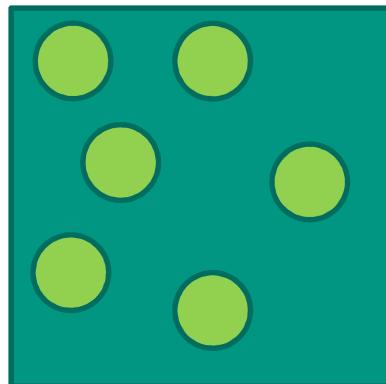
decrease of
impurities?
see *B. Gludovatz, R. Pippan*

→ NO!

→ The best W is pure W

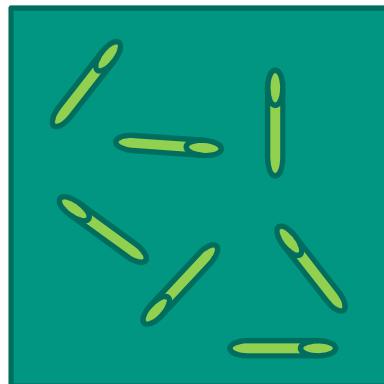
How to improve tungsten?

particle reinforced
MMC



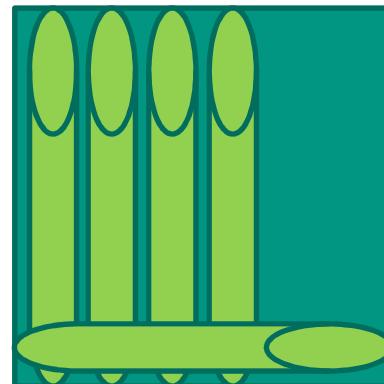
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short fiber
reinforced (random)
MMC



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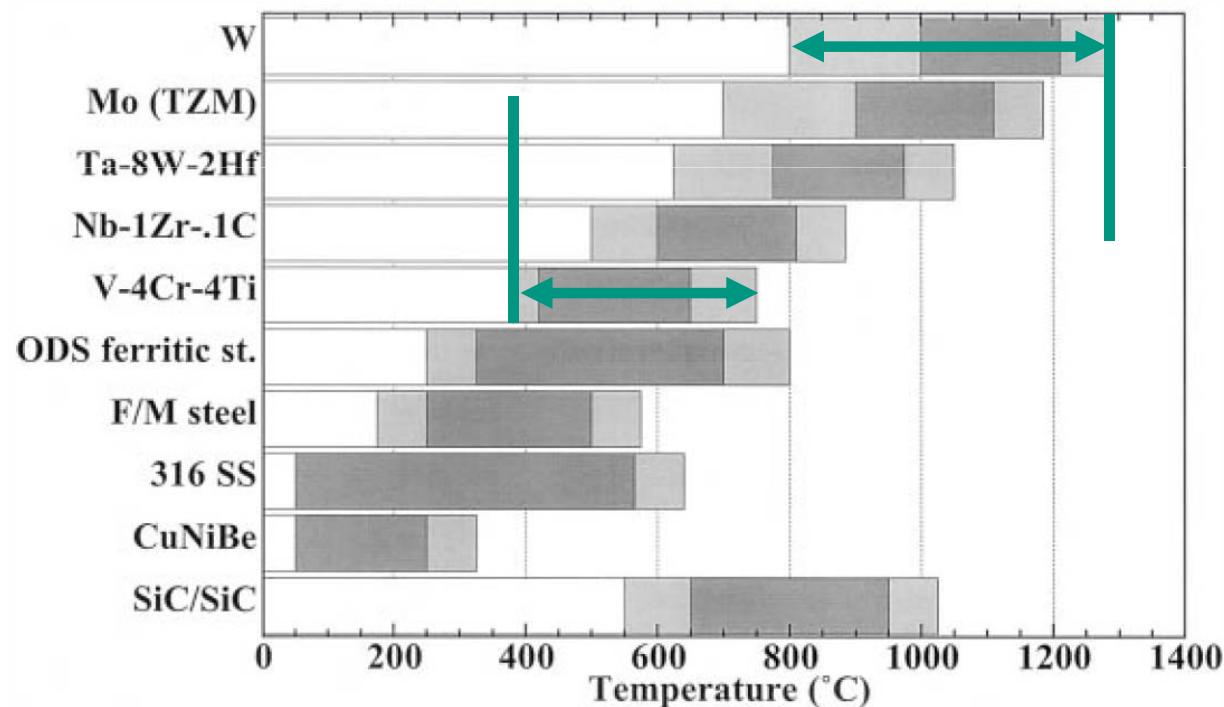
unidirectional fiber
reinforced MMC



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Garching*

Particle reinforced MMC

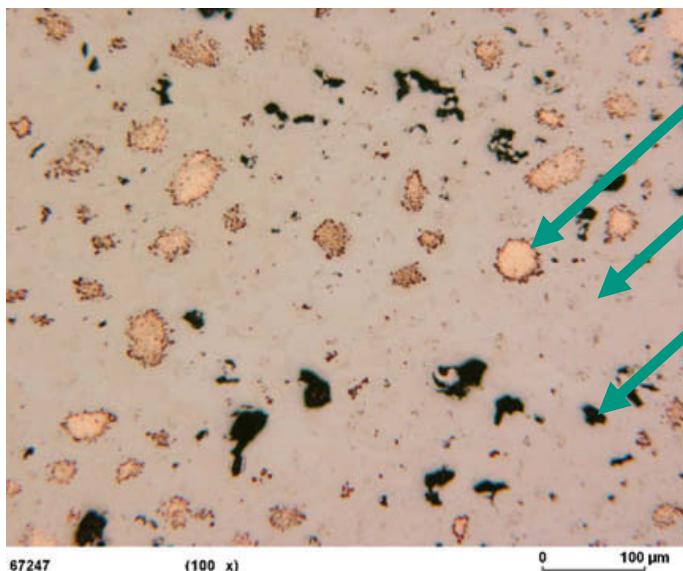
- Idea: enlarge the operation window:
DBTT from V, creep from W
- Aim: W particle reinforced V matrix



S.J. Zinkle, N.M. Ghoniem, *Fusion Eng. Des.* **51–52**, 55 (2000).

Particle reinforced MMC

- Synthesis: 50%W, 50%V → HIP, 1h, 1500 °C, 30MPa
- Characterization:



Particle: W surrounded by W68V32 vol.%
Matrix: W12V88 vol.%
voids

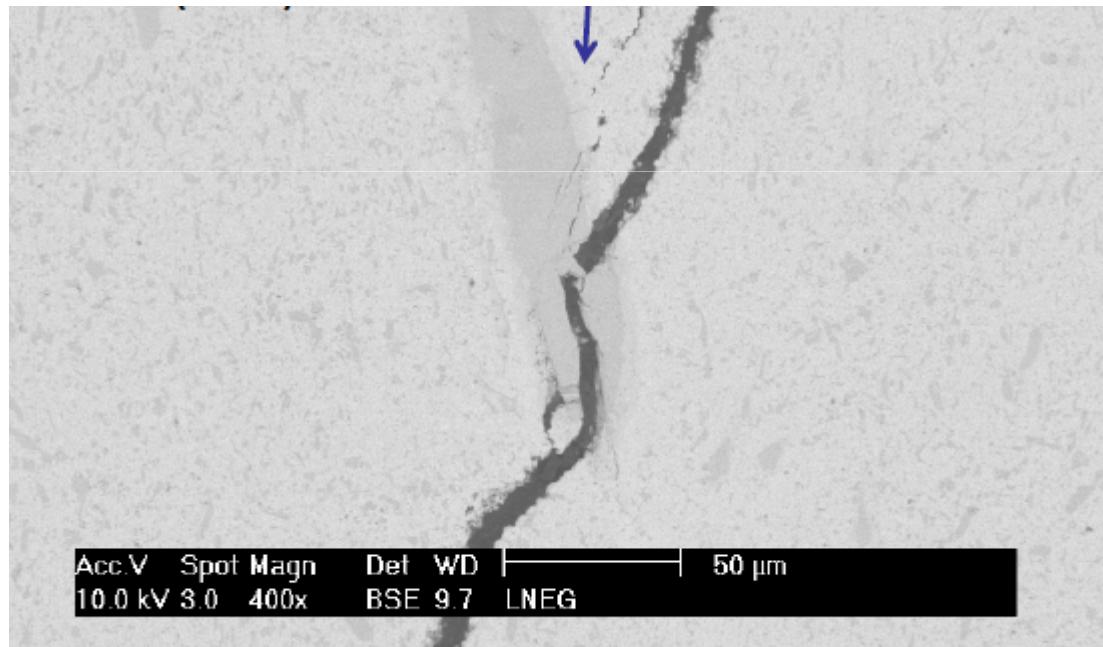
J. Hohe, P. Gumbsch, *J. Nucl. Mater.* **400**, 218 (2010).

- Testing:
 - Fracture toughness like V?

No, like W! 

Short fiber reinforced MMC

- Idea: Crack deflection on a Ta fiber
→ increase of fracture toughness?
- Synthesis: W powder, Ta fibers 100 µm, SPS, PPS



Avoid solid solution?

No! 

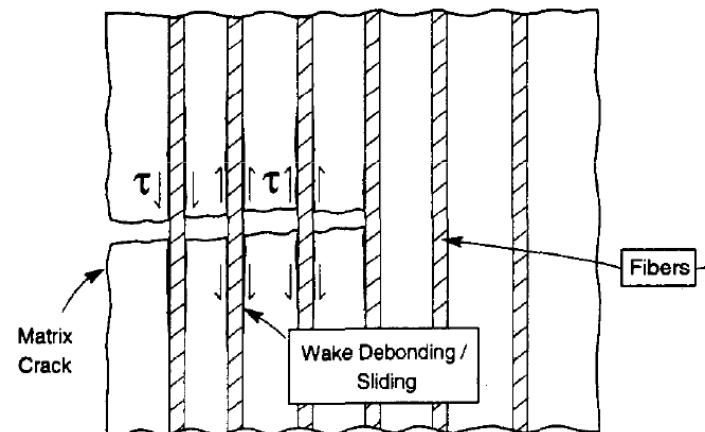
Charpy tests done?

Not yet

J. B. Correia, EFDA Meeting, W&WAlloys, Feb. (2011).

Uniaxial fiber reinforced MMC

- Idea: Copy the energy dissipation method of CMC bridge effect
‘non-plastic energy dissipation’



a) Interface Debonding/Friction

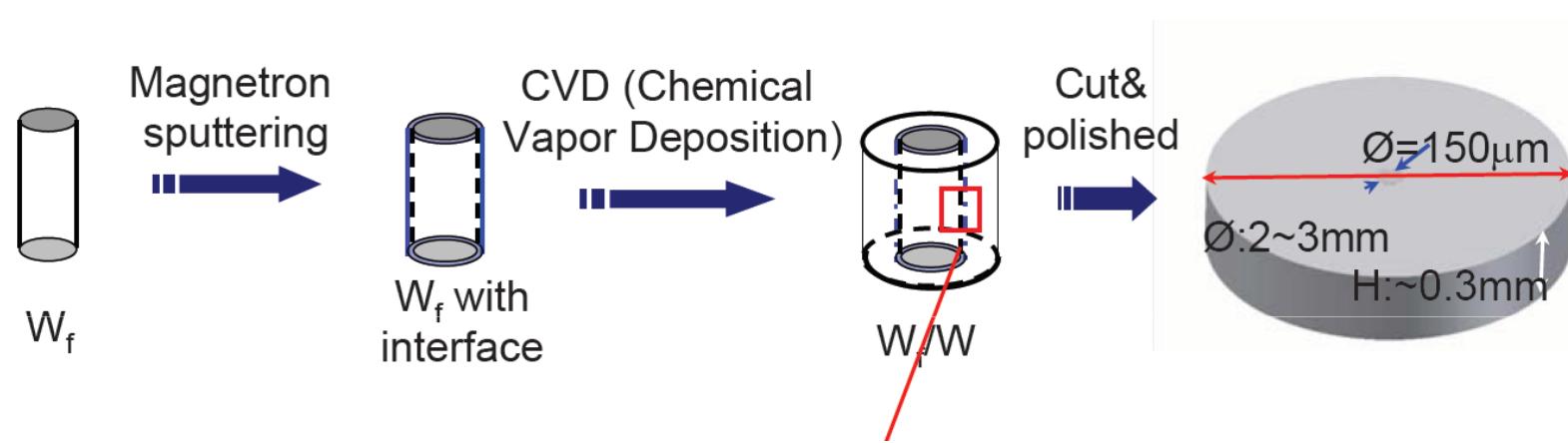
A. G. Evans, Acta Mater. **45**, 23 (1997).

Brake made of CMC carbon fibre reinforced silicon carbide (C/SiC)

- One brake = 8000 €
- 30 production steps
- 20 days

Uniaxial fiber reinforced MMC

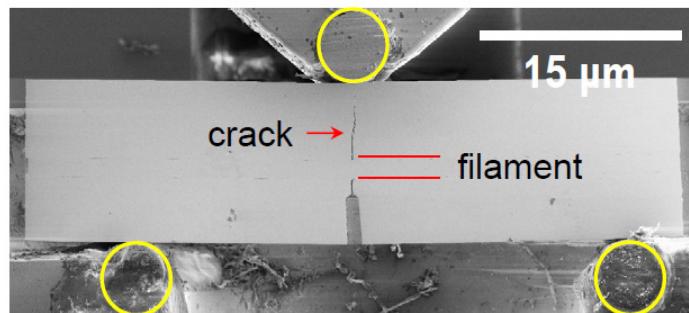
- Synthesis: W fiber (150 µm), Oxide, W by CVD



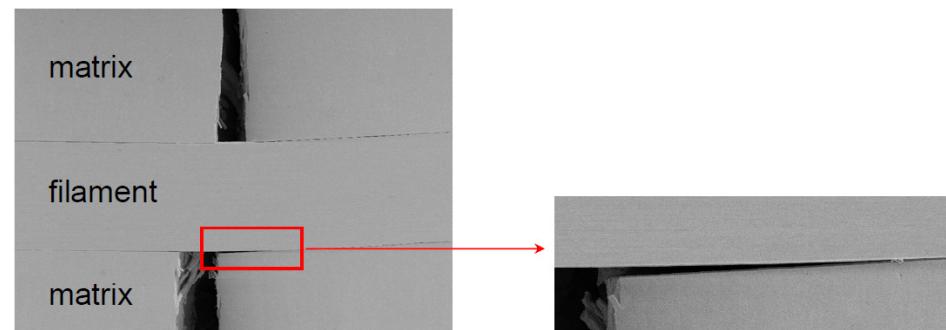
J. Du, T. Höschen, M. Rasinski, J.-H. You, *Mat. Sci. Eng. A* **527**, 1623 (2010).

Uniaxial fiber reinforced MMC

- Characterization: miniaturized 3-point-bending test



Cf: Wurster's presentation



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- Avoid solid solution?
- Charpy test?
- Amount of energy dissipation
- 2D or 3D mesh possible?

YES! 
Not yet
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