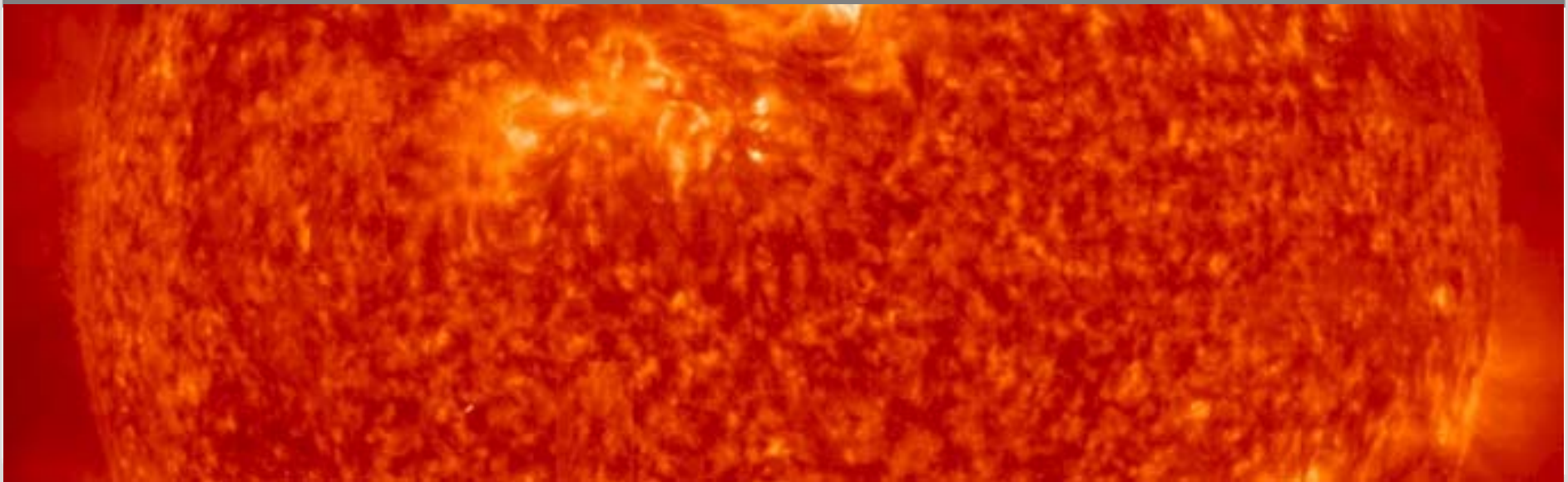


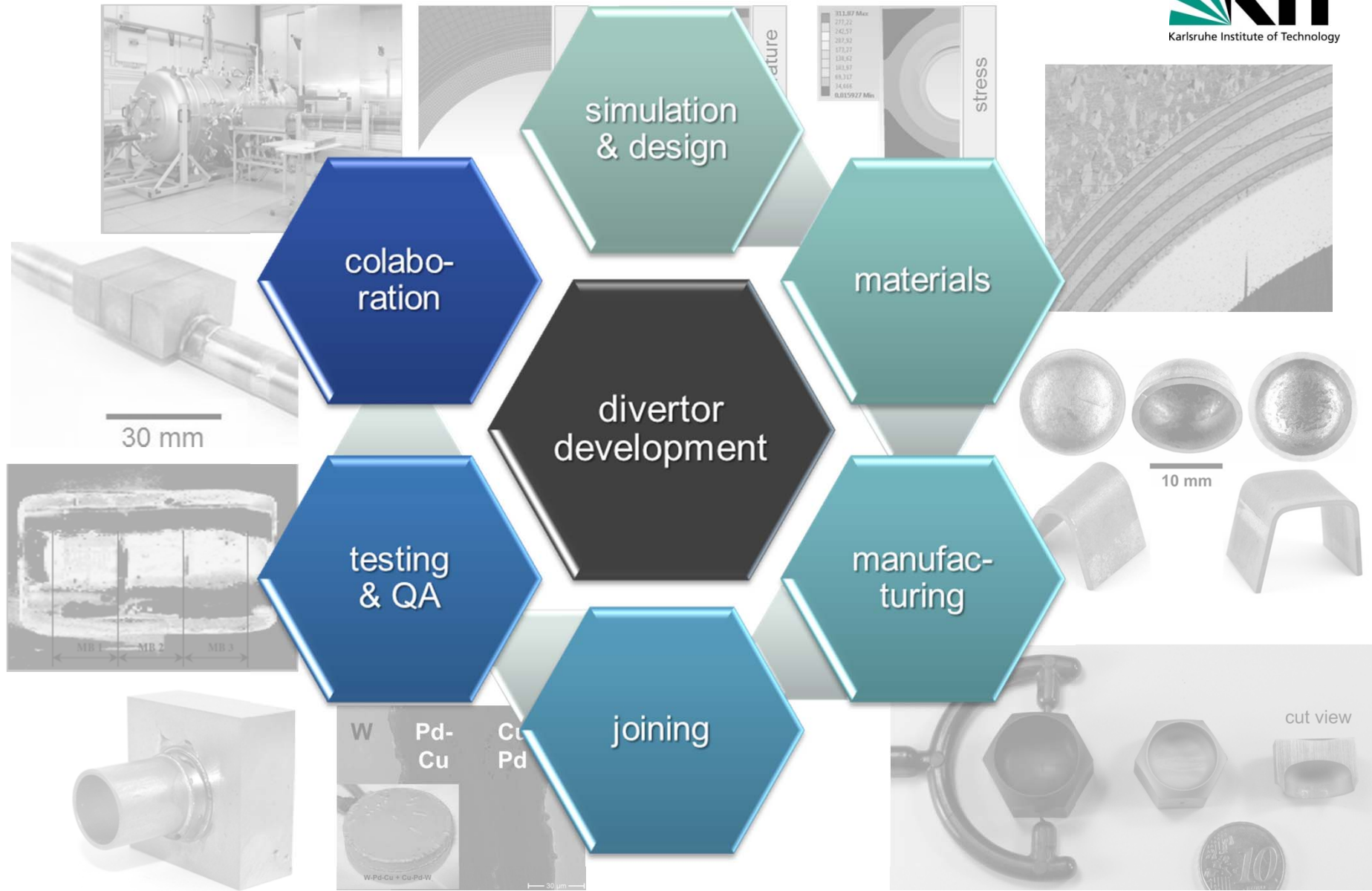
# DIVERTOR DESIGN & MATERIALS

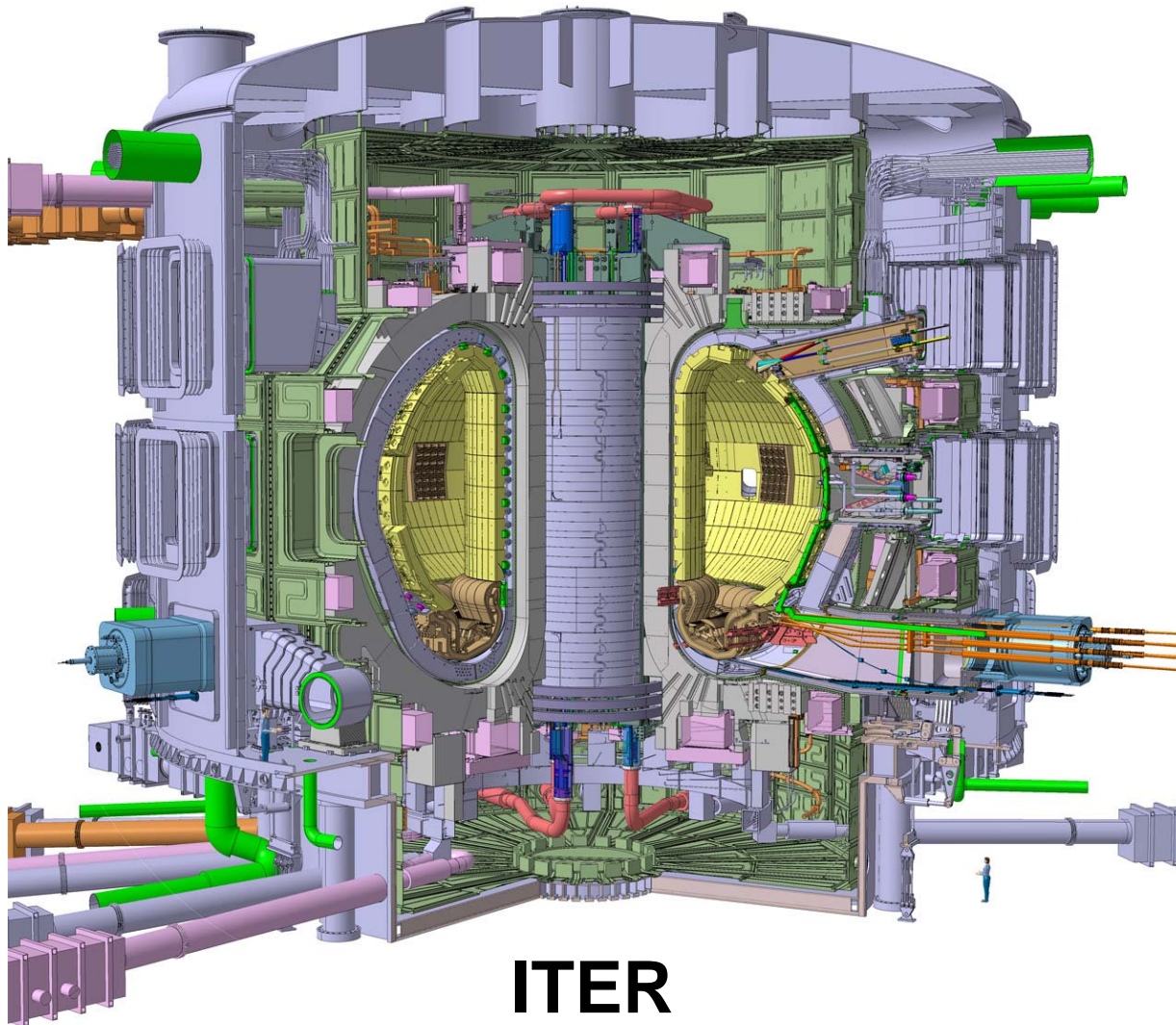
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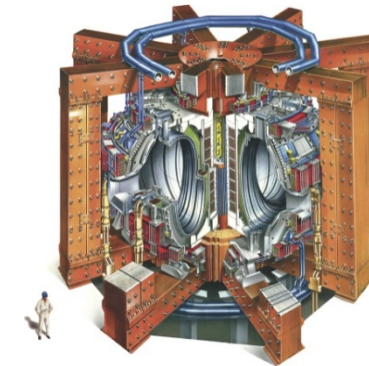
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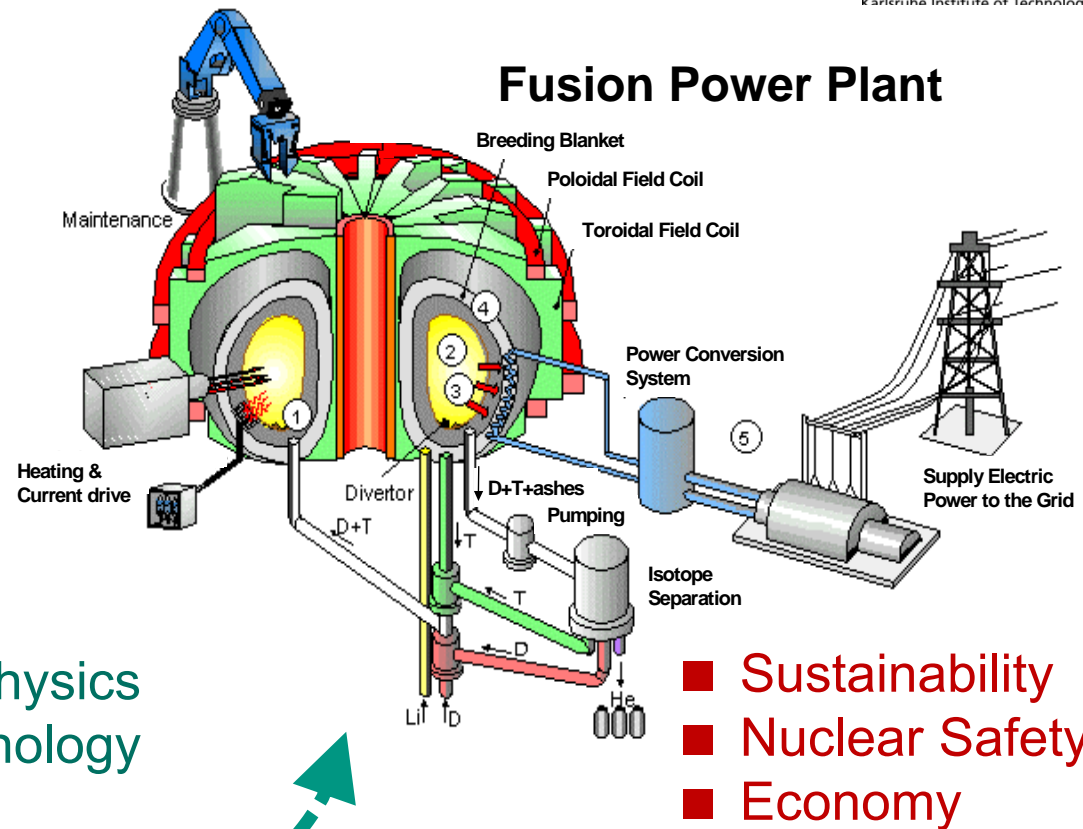
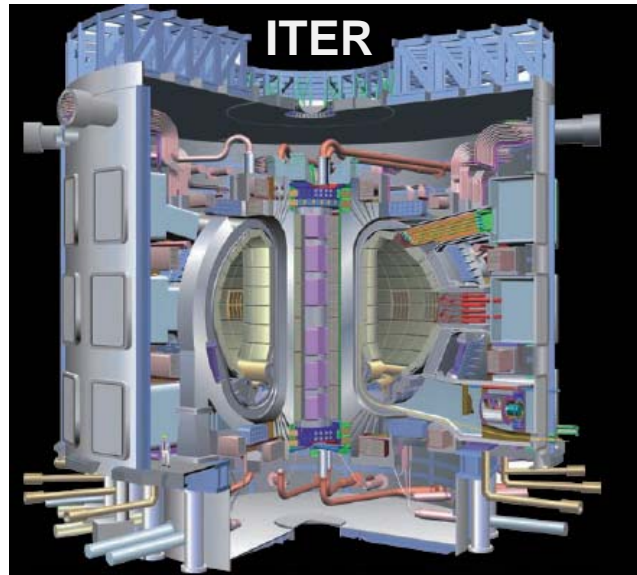


Nuclear fusion is relatively easy to accomplish. The trick is to gain energy out of it!

**JET**



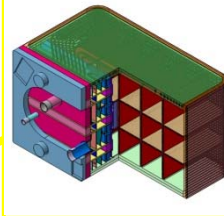
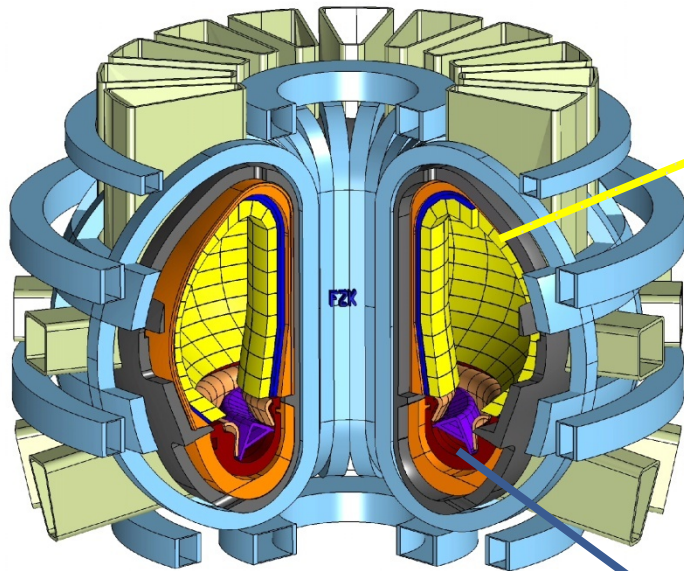
# WHERE IS THE CHALLENGE?



- Test device for plasma physics
- Safety → Standard technology

**complex superposition of intensive neutron/heat radiation and thermo-mechanical load/fatigue**

# DEMO – THE STEP IN BETWEEN



**Blanket:**  $\leq 150$  dpa/5 years,  $2.5 \text{ MW/m}^2$

Reduced activation ferritic-martensitic steels

- EUROFER (9Cr-WVTa) 350-550 °C
- EUROFER-ODS 350-650 °C

He cooled structure, liquid lithium or lithium-ceramics for tritium breeding  $\rightarrow \sim 85$  % power

## DEMO 2011



**Divertor:**  $\sim 30$  dpa/2 years,  $\geq 10 \text{ MW/m}^2$

Materials unknown

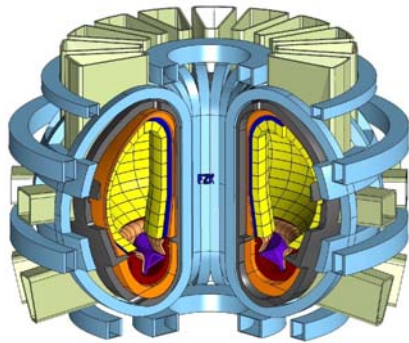
Operating temperature 350-1300 °C ?

Cooled tungsten shield to remove He and other particles from plasma  $\rightarrow \sim 15$  % power

# DEMO “LIGHT” – A FASTER APPROACH

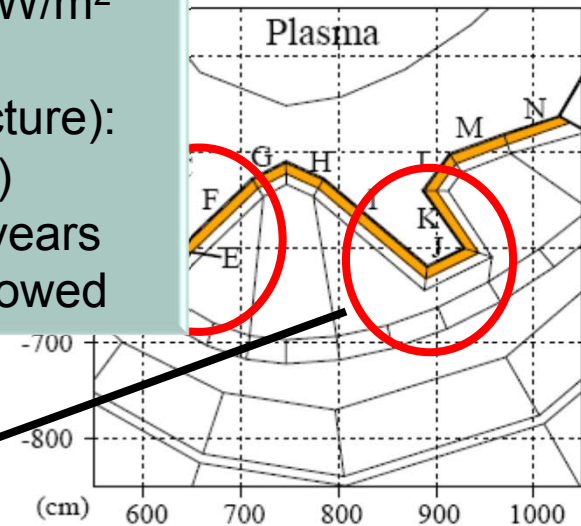
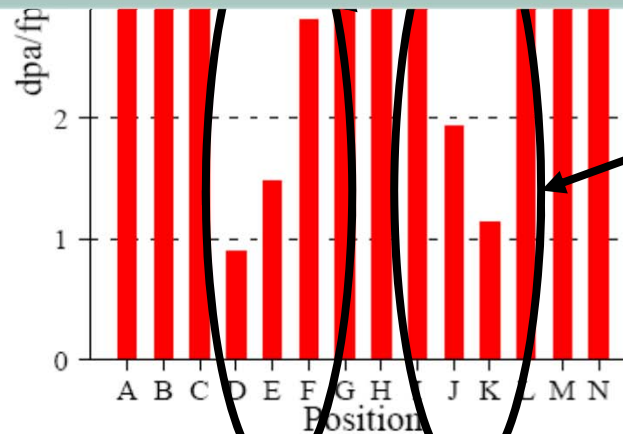
## New boundary/operating conditions

- Thermal power  $\sim 2 \text{ GW}_{\text{th}}$
- Size:  $R \sim 9 \text{ m}$ ,  $a \sim 2.25 \text{ m}$
- Divertor (unshielded) power loading peak  $\sim 13 \text{ MW/m}^2$   
 → conservative estimate  $20 \text{ MW/m}^2$
- Pulse length  $\sim 2.5 \text{ hours}$
- Neutron dose (strike zone structure):  $< 3 \text{ dpa/fpy}$  (Cu),  $< 1 \text{ dpa/fpy}$  (W)
- Divertor life time  $\sim 2 \text{ full power years}$
- Medium activating materials allowed



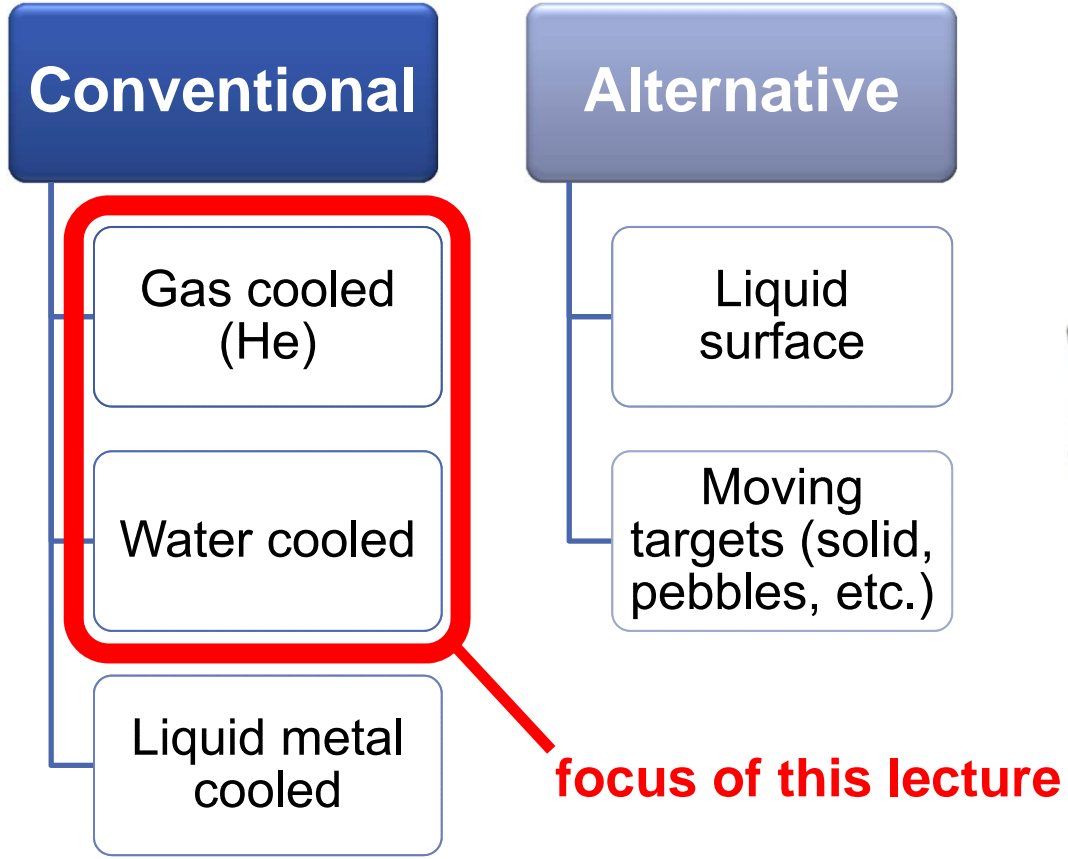
**DEMO  
2012**

Early DEMO,  
DEMO-1, etc.

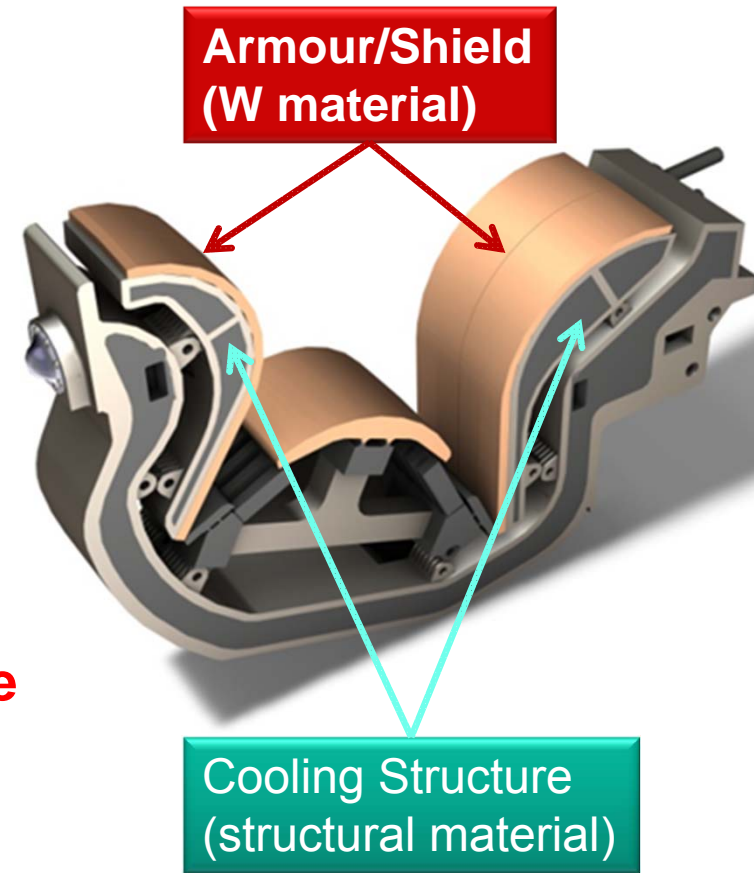


● dpa/fpy ranges from 0.9 to 5.9 dpa/fpy

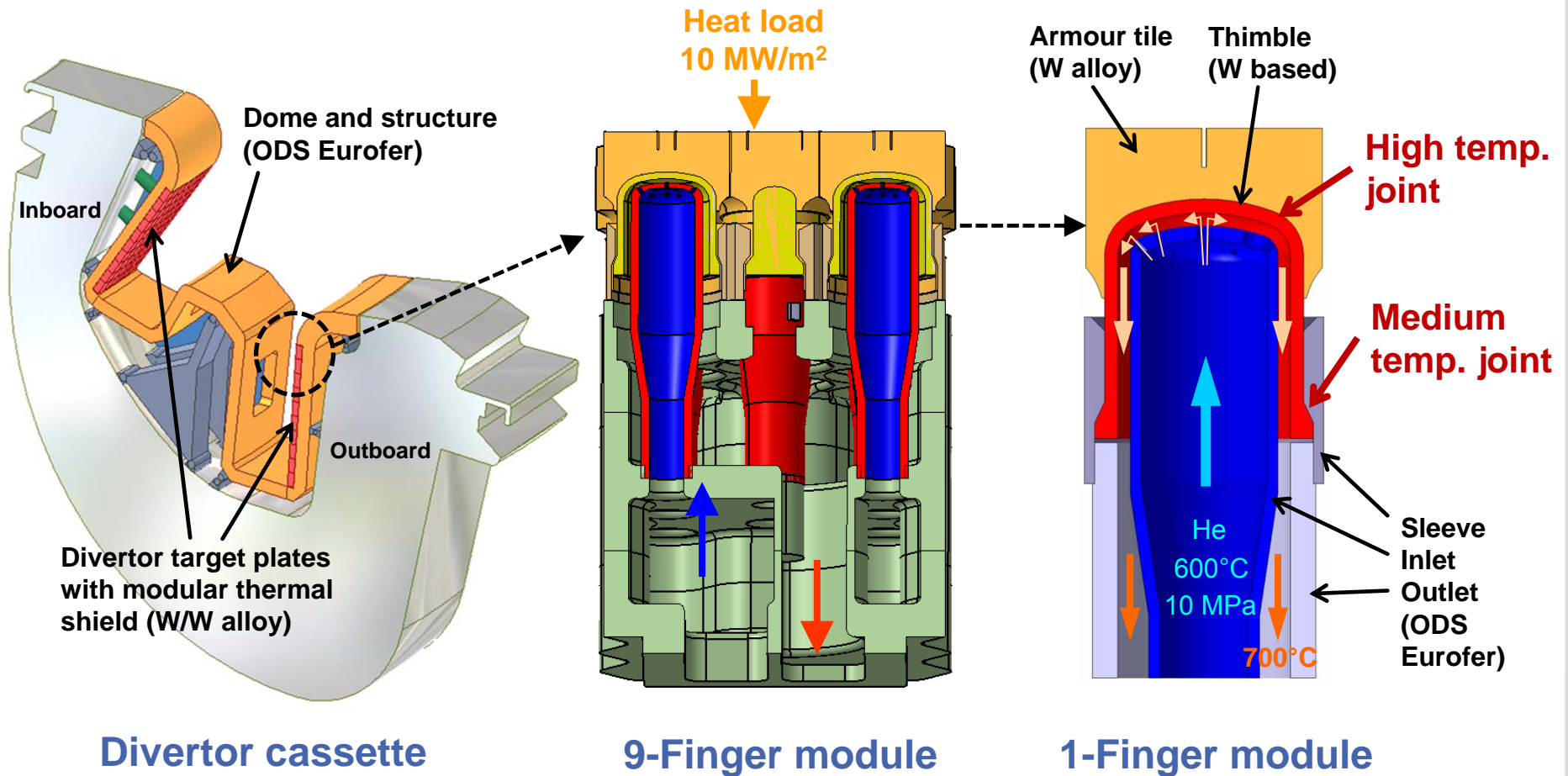
*M. Gilbert, CCFE, 2012*



## Conventional Divertor



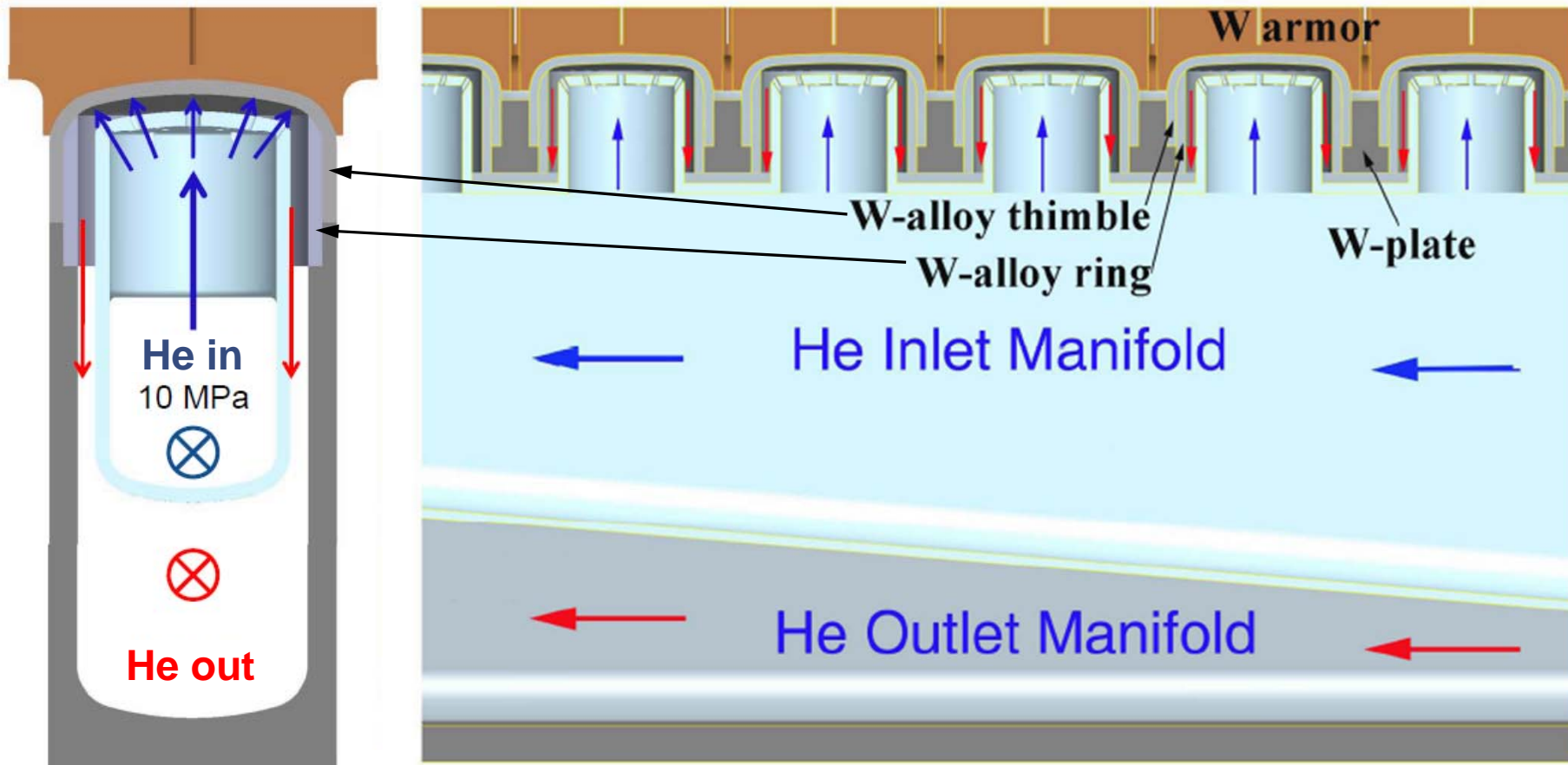
# HE-COOLED MODULAR DIVERTOR WITH JET COOLING (HEMJ) CONCEPT



P. Norajitra *et al.*, KIT, 2003-2011

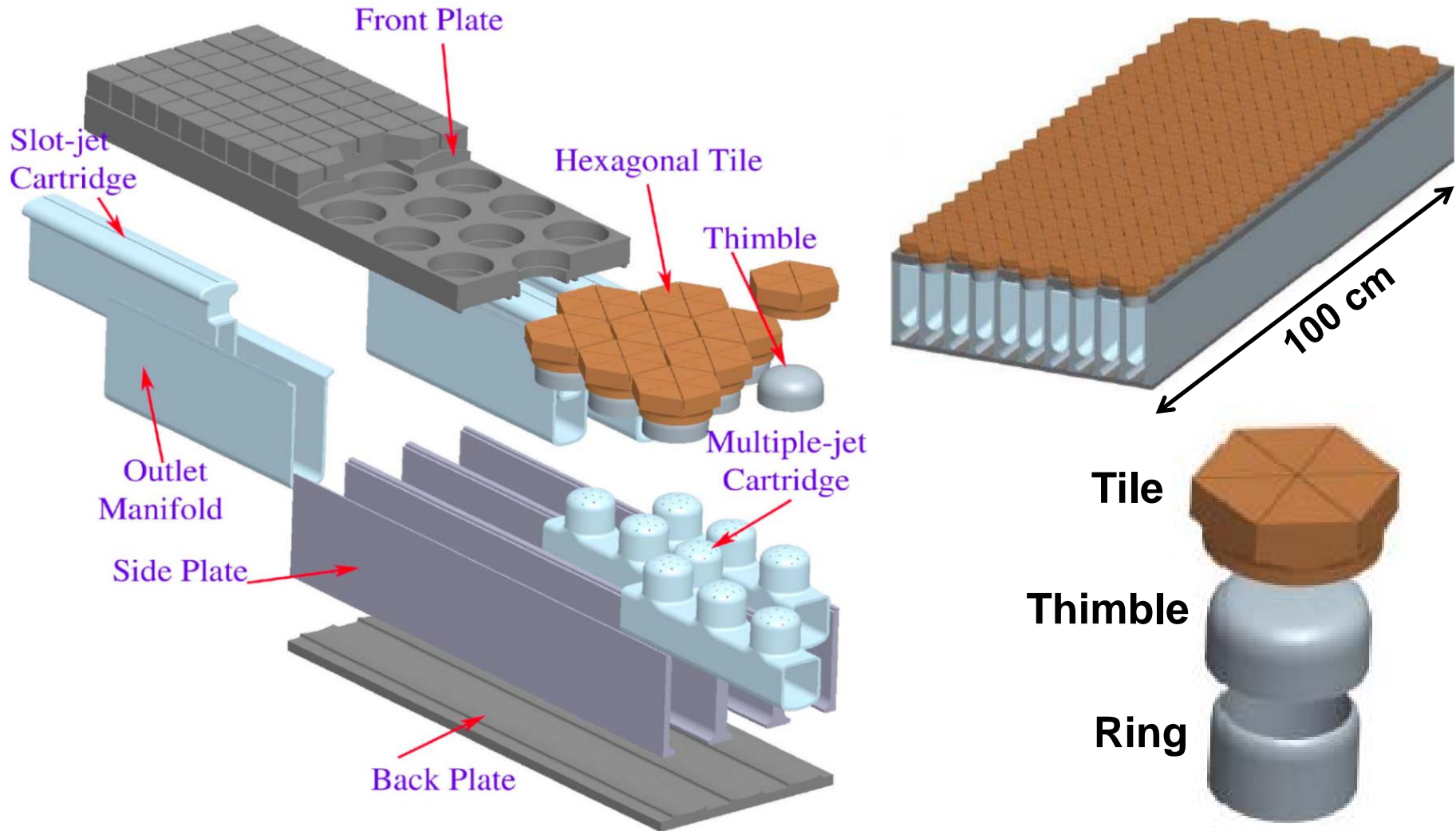


# PLATE DESIGN (ARIES), JET COOLING



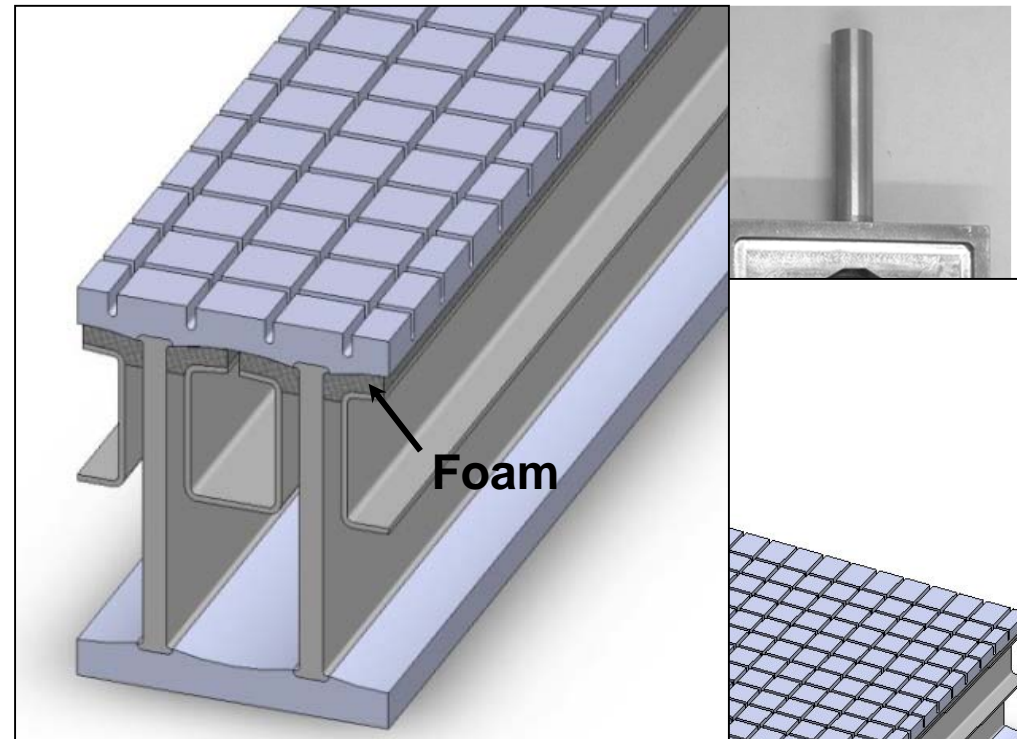
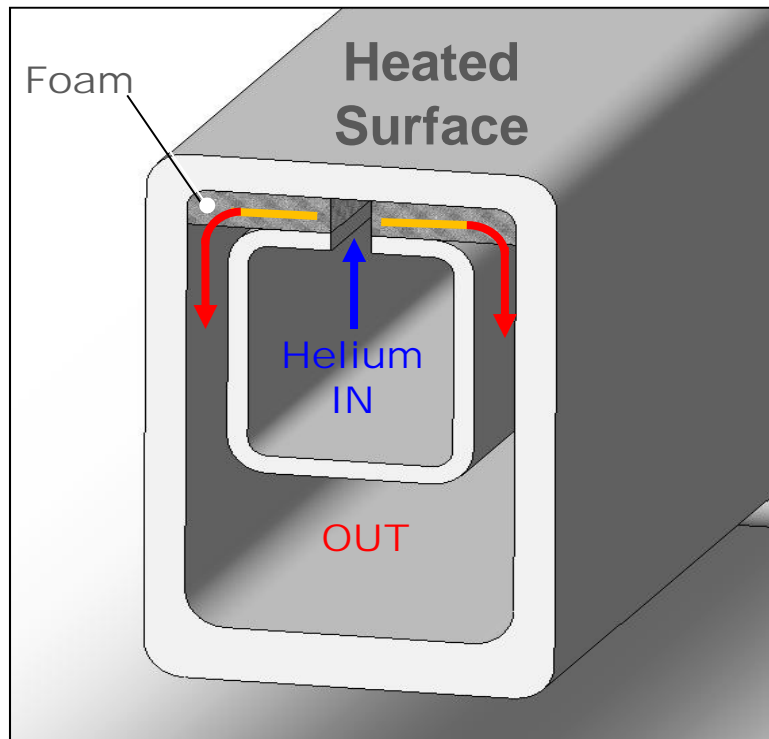
X.R. Wang, S. Malang, M.S. Tillack & ARIES Team, 2008-2011

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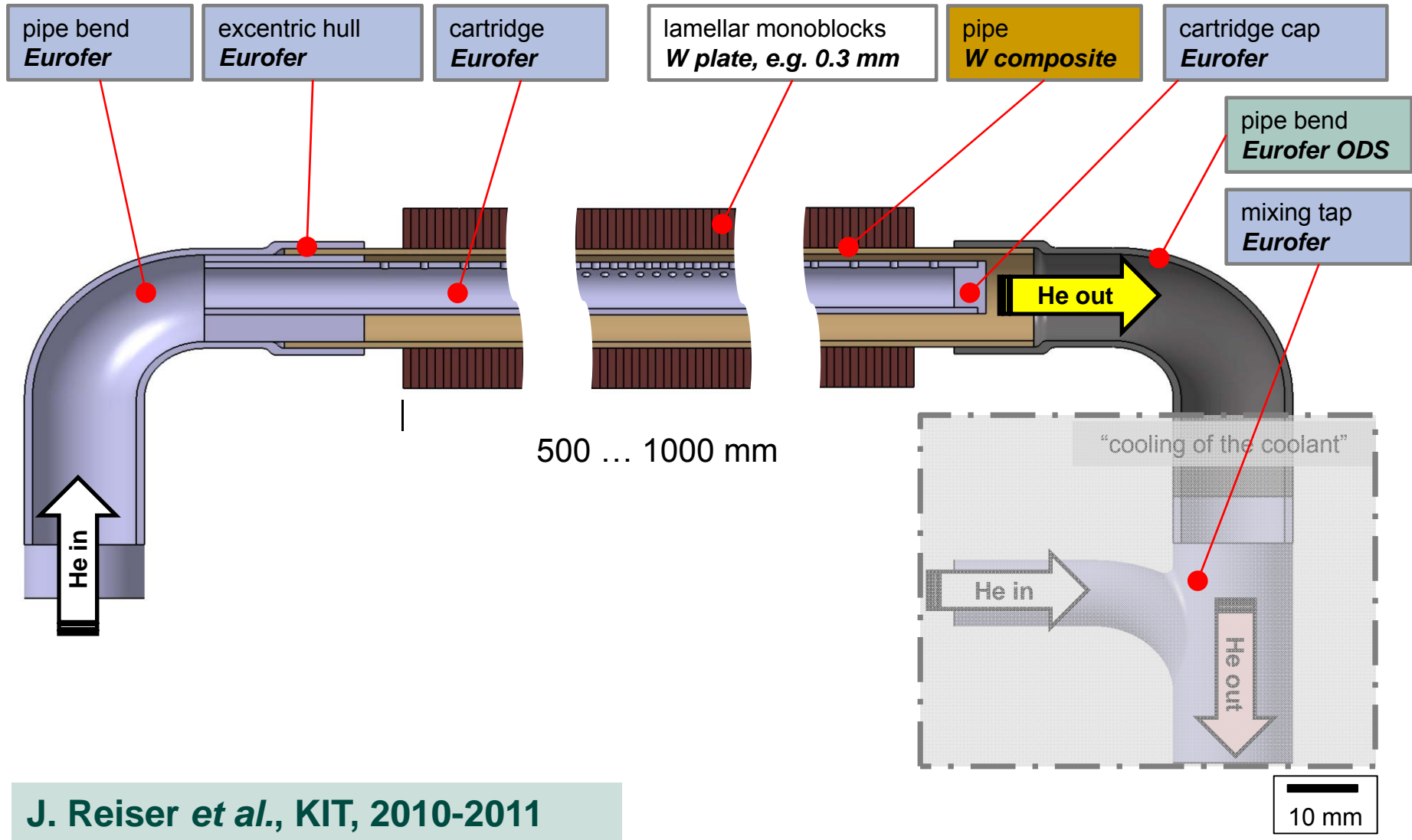
# PLATE DESIGN, FOAM PROMOTER



S. Sharafat *et al.*, UCLA, 2005-2009

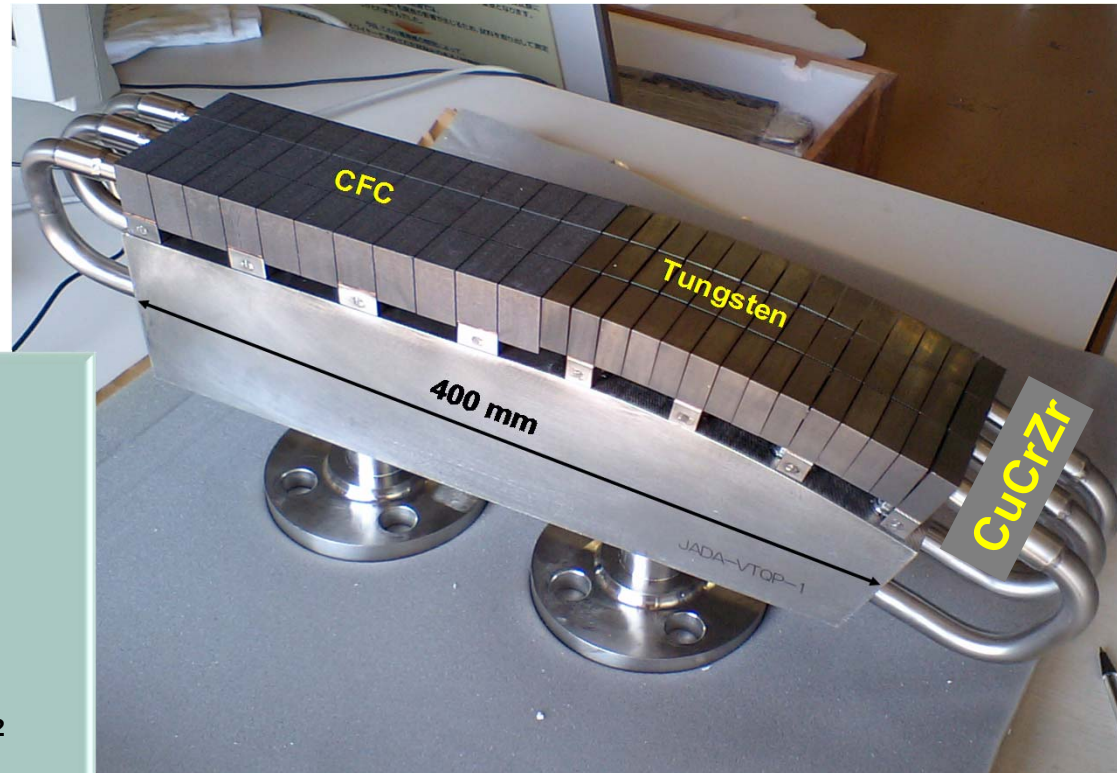
Mo, Nb, SiC Foam:  
D. Youchison *et al.*, SNL, 2011

# PIPE/MONOBLOCK DESIGN, JET COOLING



J. Reiser *et al.*, KIT, 2010-2011

# ITER DESIGN, WATER COOLING



## Coolant

- Pressure: 4 Mpa
- Temp.: 100-150 °C
- Flow: 9-11 m/s

## Performance

- Aver. heat flux: 3-5 MW/m<sup>2</sup>
- Max. heat flux: 10-20 MW/m<sup>2</sup>
- Max. heat load: 10 MJ/m<sup>2</sup>
- Lifetime: 3 years
- n-damage: 0.2 dpa
- Full load cycles: 3000

**B. Riccardi et al., F4E, 2008**

# ITER DESIGN, WATER COOLING

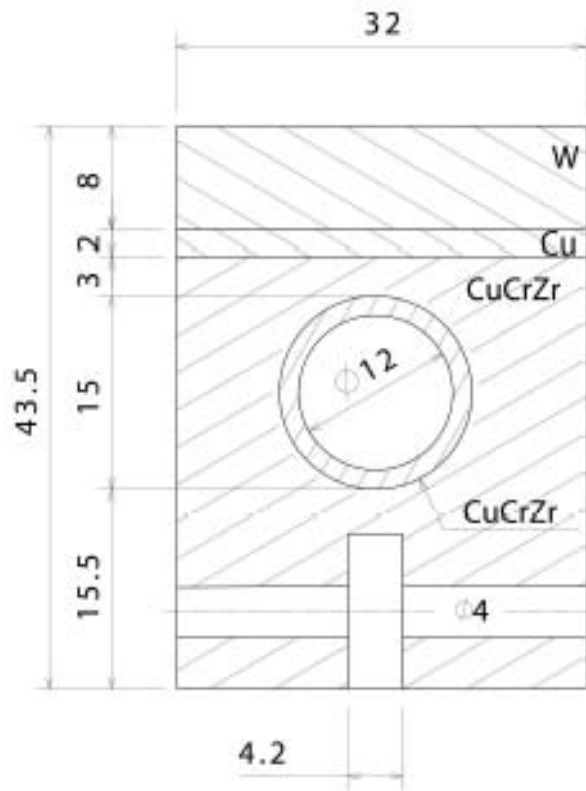


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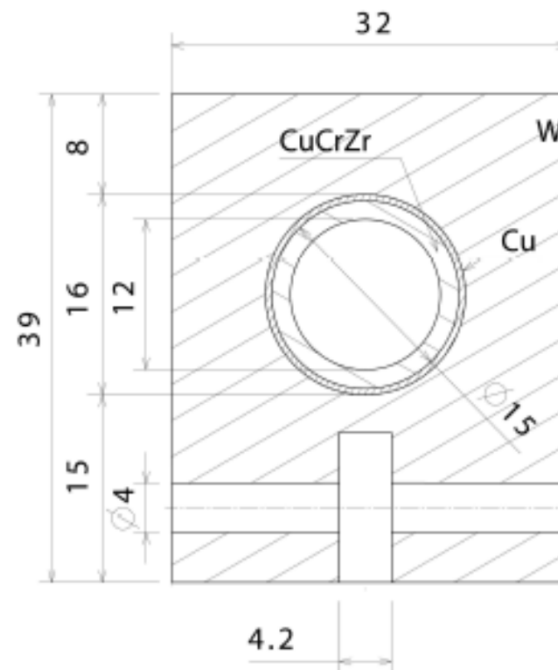
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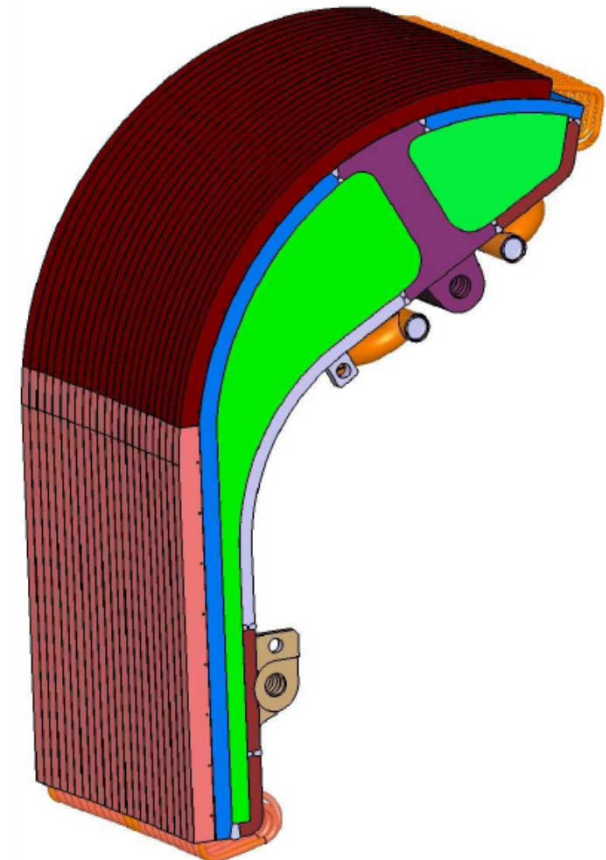
## 1. W Flat Tiles



## 2. W Monoblocks

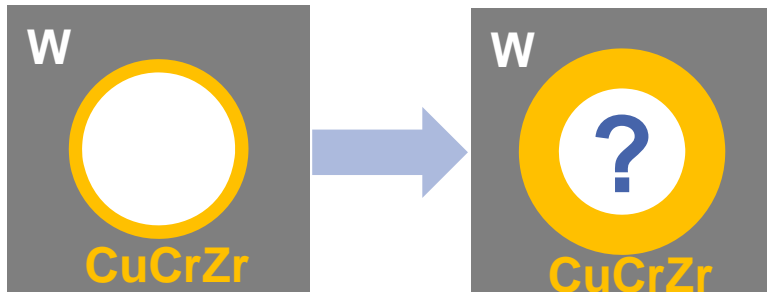


## Vertical Target



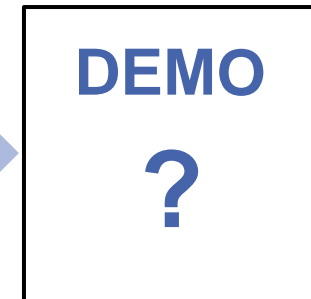
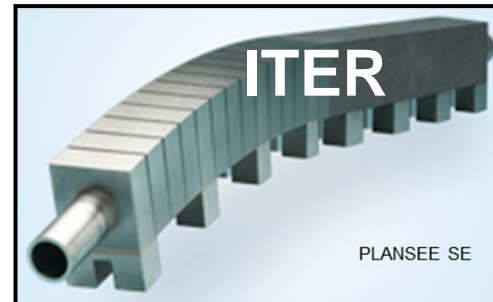
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# DEMO WATER COOLED DIVERTOR



Due to many open questions the simplest approach for the DEMO divertor might fail.

Backup solutions are needed:  
→ Development and use of composite materials



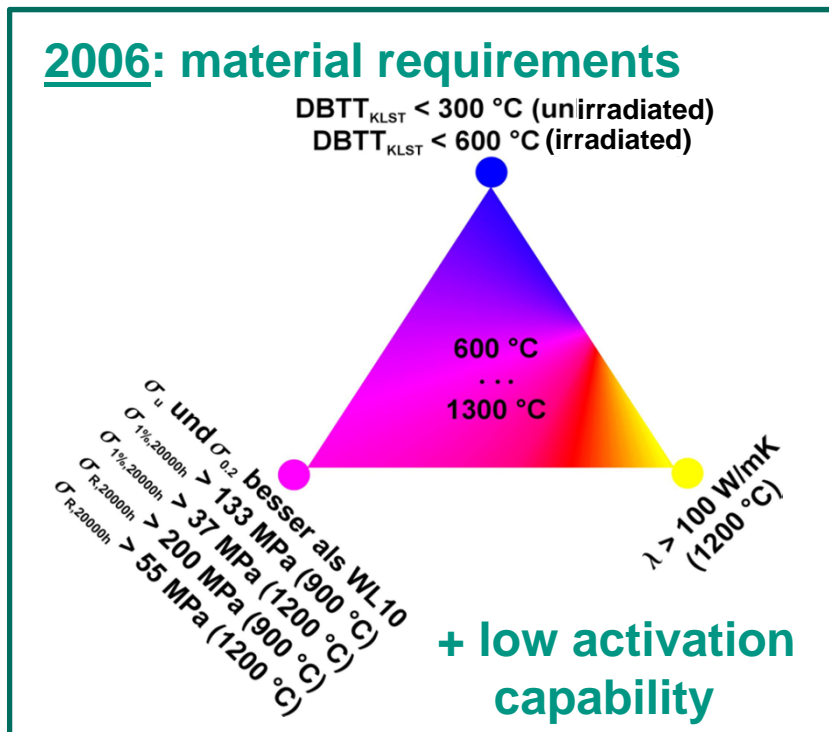
Water: 100 °C, 4 MPa  
150 °C, 4 MPa

CuCrZr pipes: <0.1 dpa/y  
Max. heat: 10-20 MW/m<sup>2</sup>

200 °C, >4 MPa  
250 °C, >4 MPa  
300 °C, >9 MPa  
350 °C, >17 MPa  
3 dpa/fpy  
10-20 MW/m<sup>2</sup>



- During the last decade far too many and mutually exclusive design criteria have led to the following situation:
  - NONE of the divertor studies/candidates/concepts is convincing
  - Even worse: there is NO hope for a DEMO divertor at all
  - Examples for He cooling:



- 2009**
- q = 10-15 MW/m<sup>2</sup>
  - N = 15 dpa/fpy
  - K<sub>IC</sub> > 30 MPa m<sup>1/2</sup>
  - Low activation filler braze materials
  - ...

# “STANDARD” STRUCTURAL MATERIALS

**Water cooling:** PWR conditions  $T=275-315\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  (at lower  $T$  ineffective energy conv.)

**CuCrZr**

- $T < 200\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ : loss of ductility,  $T > 300-350\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ : loss of strength
- Unknown irradiation limits (for  $>5\text{ dpa}$ )
- Medium to high activation

**SS**

- $200\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} < T < 400\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ : loss of ductility,  $T > 600\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  loss of strength, etc.
- Irradiation limit:  $\sim 15\text{ dpa}$
- High activation  $\rightarrow$  reduced activation alloys could be developed

**RAFM**

- $T < 350\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ : loss of ductility,  $T > 550\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  loss of strength
- Irradiation limits:  $\sim 20\text{ dpa}$

**He cooling:**  $T$  adjustable ( $T$  higher than about  $650\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  is a technological challenge)

**W**

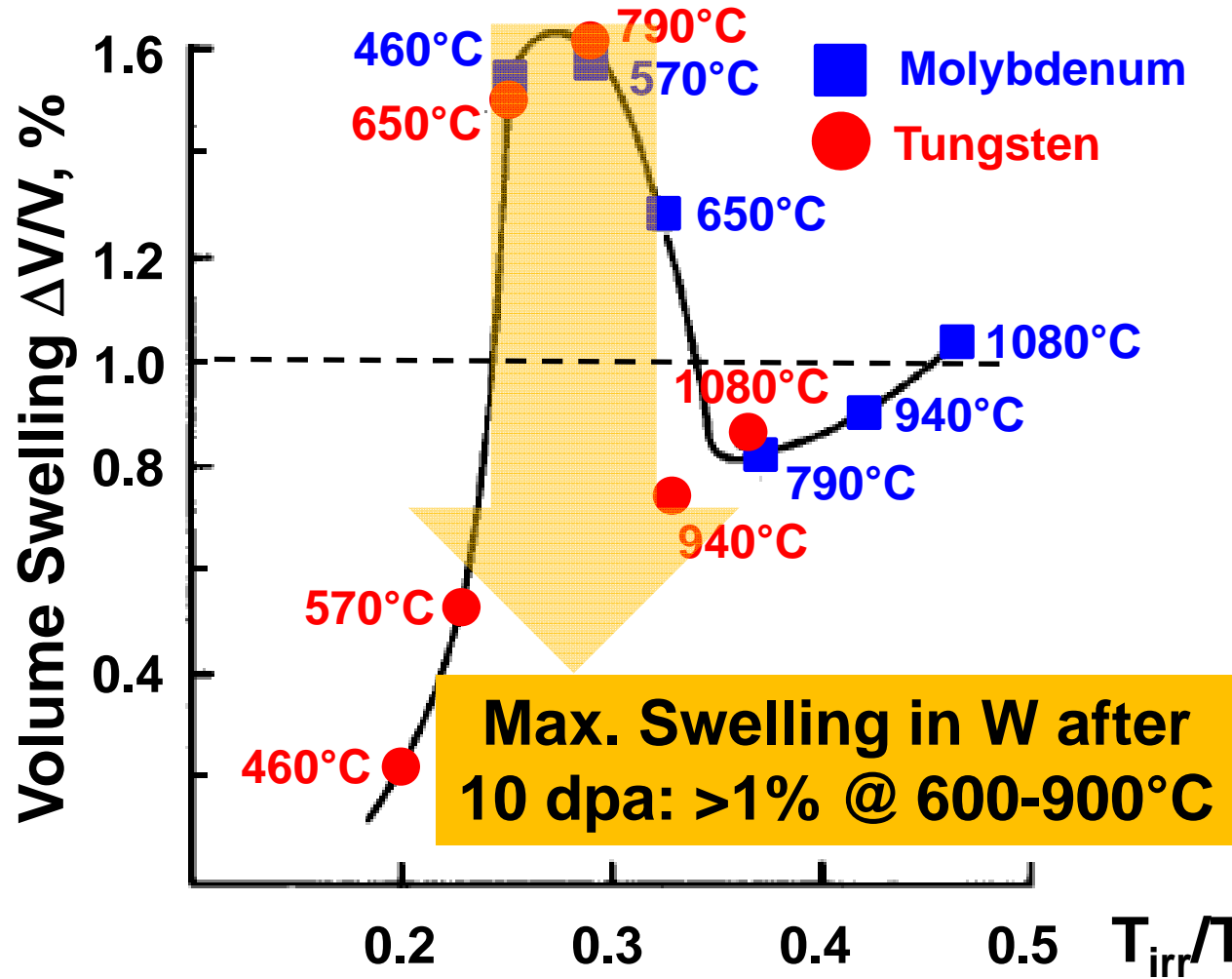
- $T < 800-1000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ : loss of ductility very likely
- Unknown irradiation limits

**ODS Steels**

- $T < 350\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ : loss of ductility,  $T > 650-750\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  loss of strength
- Irradiation limits:  $> 20\text{ dpa}$

# TUNGSTEN (AS A STRUCTURAL MATERIAL)

## IRRADIATION EFFECTS → SWELLING



**EBR-II**

$E_n > 1 \text{ MeV}$   
 $1 \times 10^{22} \text{ n/cm}^2$

$E_n > 0.1 \text{ MeV}$   
 $1.6 \times 10^{22} \text{ n/cm}^2$

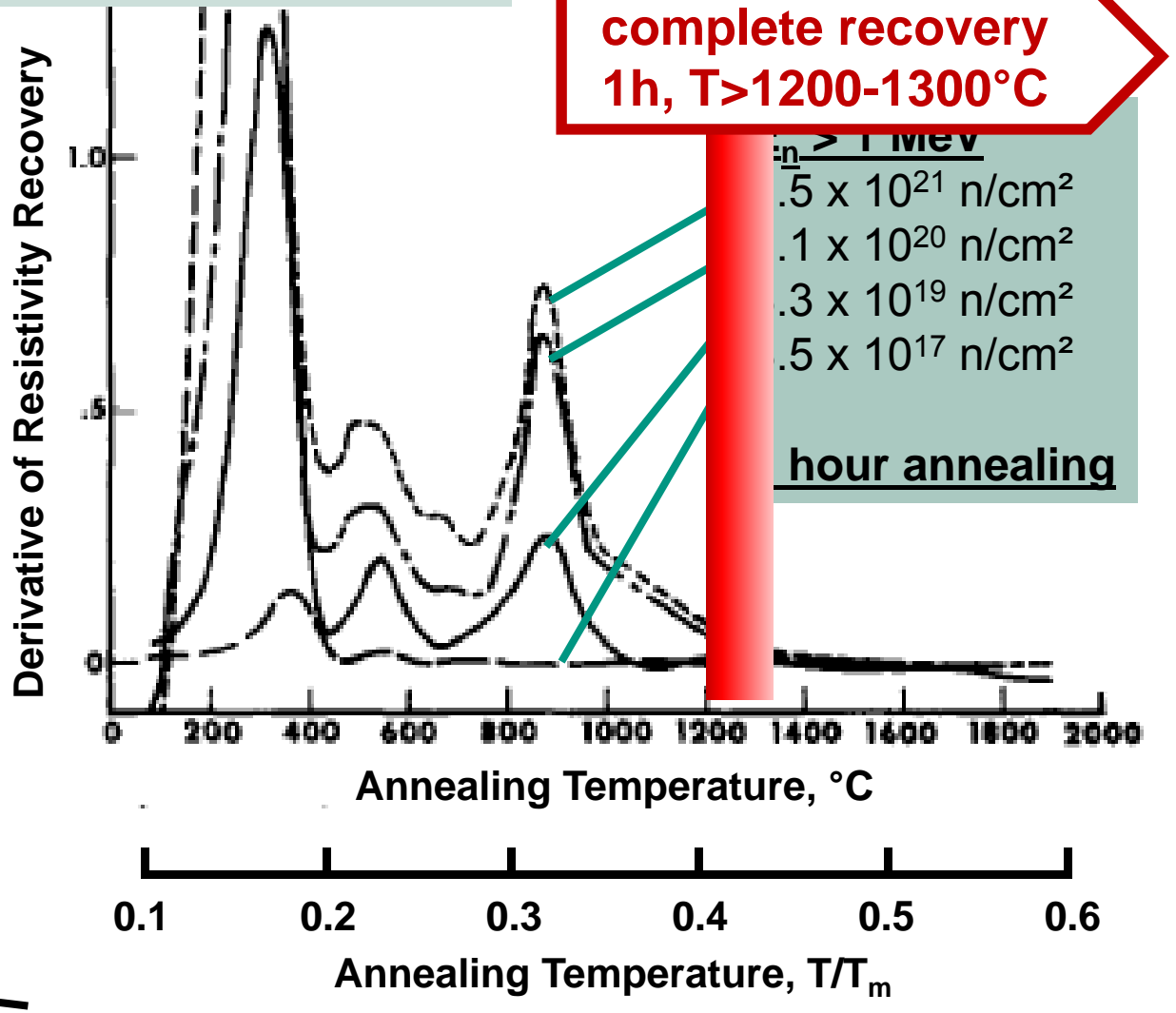
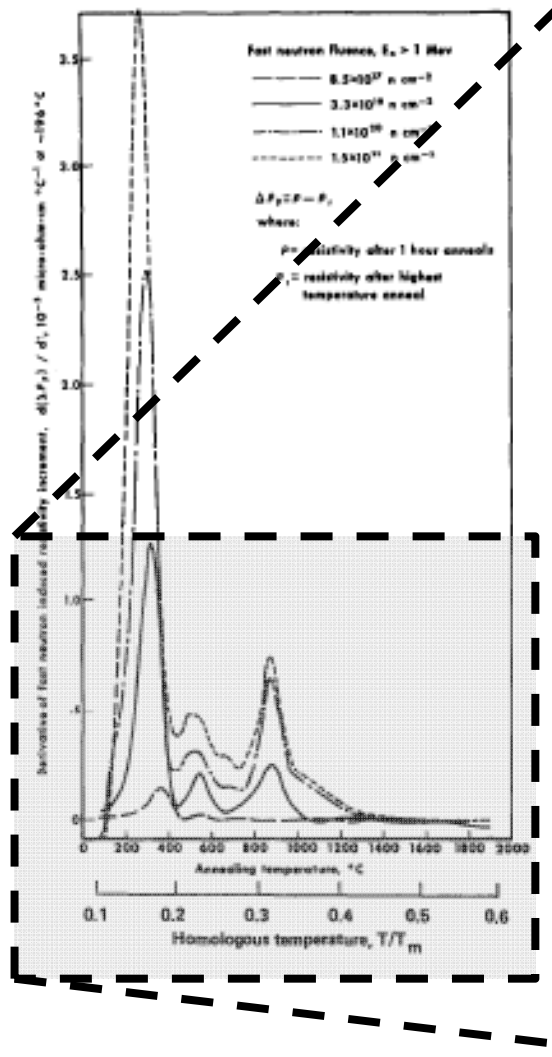
→ 29 dpa in Mo

→ 9.6 dpa in W

F. Lee, J. Matolich, J. Moteff, JNM 62 (1976) 115-117

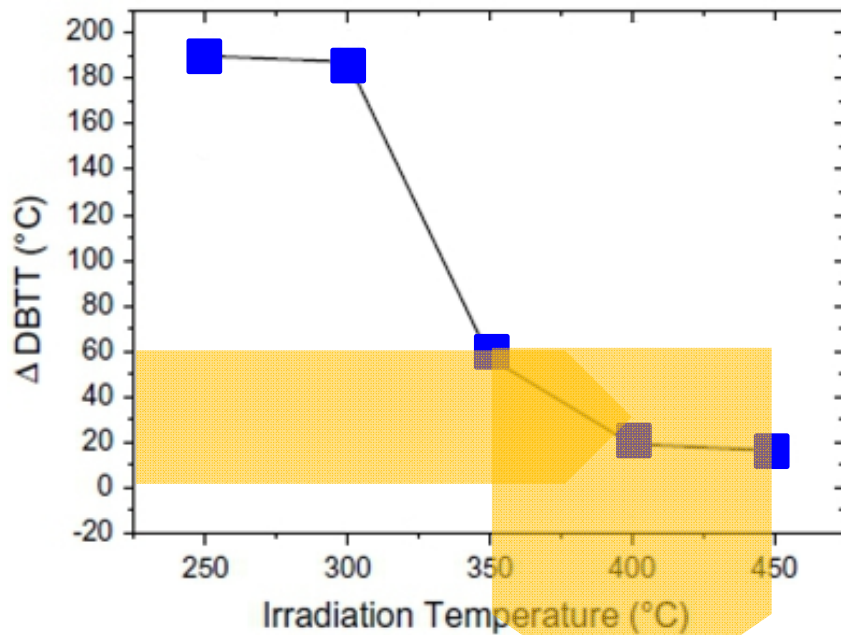
# IRRADIATION EFFECTS → RECOVERY

→ L.K. Keys, J. Motteff, JNM 34 (1970) 260-280



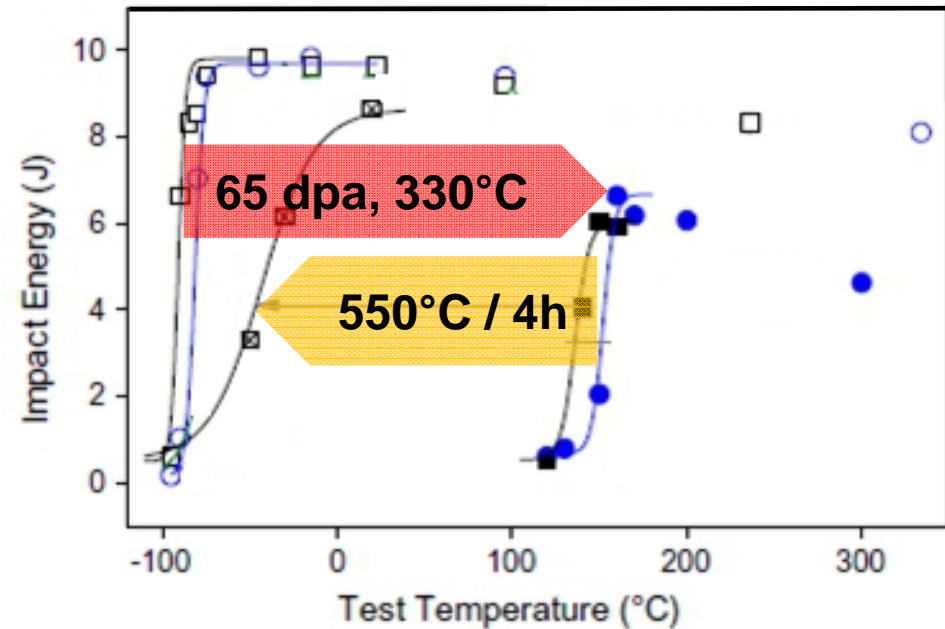
# IRRADIATION EFFECTS → EMBRITTLEMENT

**EUROFER: In-service irradiation embrittlement after ~10 dpa**



**Possible Operating Temperature  $T_{op} > 350^{\circ}\text{C}$**

**EUROFER: Recovery of 65 dpa irradiation embrittlement**

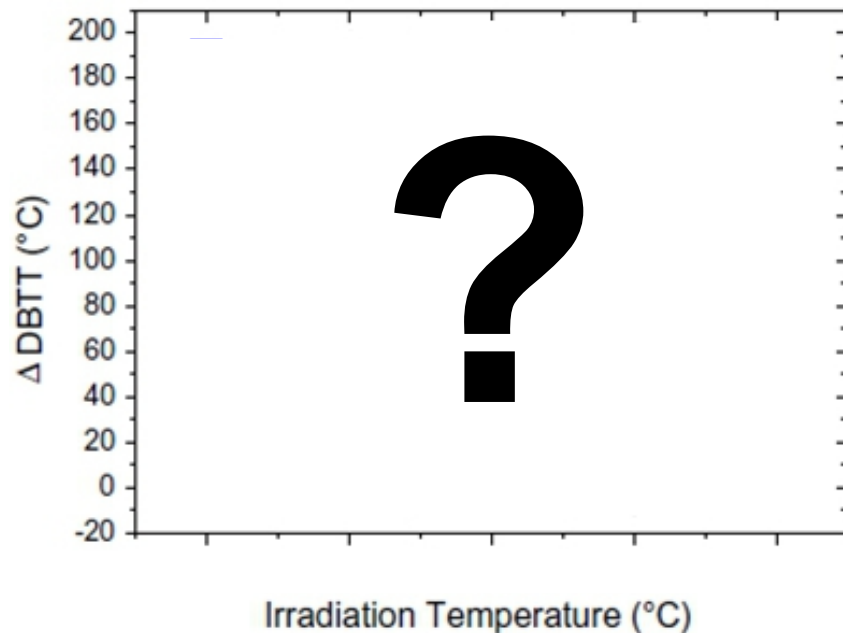


**Possible Recovery Temp.  
 $T_{rec} > 550^{\circ}\text{C}$**

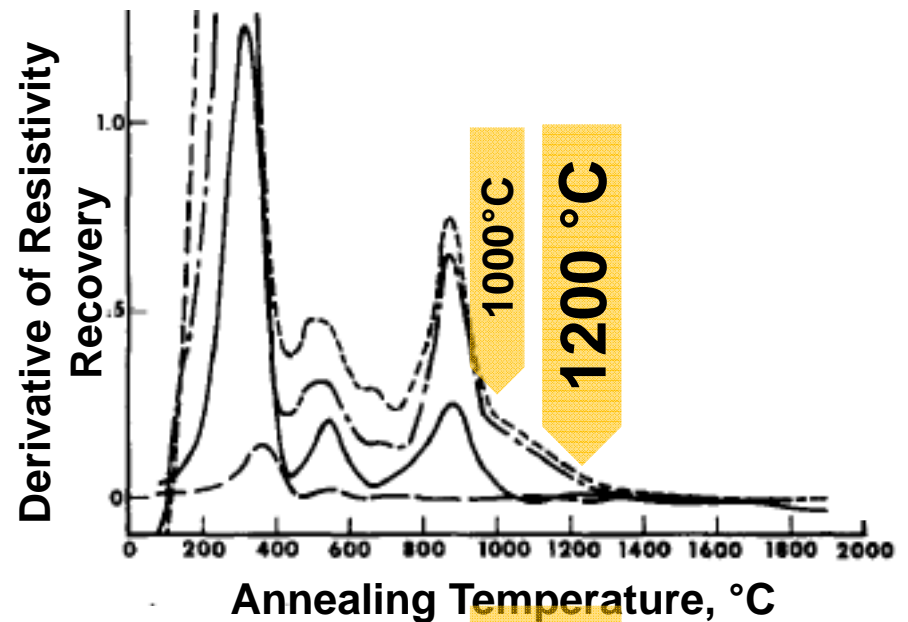
→ E. Gaganidze *et al.*, KIT

# IRRADIATION EFFECTS → EMBRITTLEMENT

**TUNGSTEN:** In-service irradiation embrittlement after 10-20 dpa



**Tungsten:** Recovery of ~2 dpa stage IV irradiation hardening



**Possible Operating Temp.**  
 $T_{op} > 800^{\circ}\text{C} \dots 1000^{\circ}\text{C}$

# TUNGSTEN MATERIALS

## Pure Tungsten

Grain Stabilized Tungsten  
„ODS Tungsten“

„Heavy Metals“  
(Two Phases)

Alloys  
(Solid Solution)

Potassium  
Doping

Oxides &  
Carbides

- W-Ni-Fe (e.g. Denfert, Inermet)
- W-Cu  
→ Functional Applications

- W-Re (<26%)  
→ only commercial alloy

- W-V
- W-Ta
- W-Mo
- W-Ti
- (W-Nb)  
→ Even more brittle as pure tungsten !!!

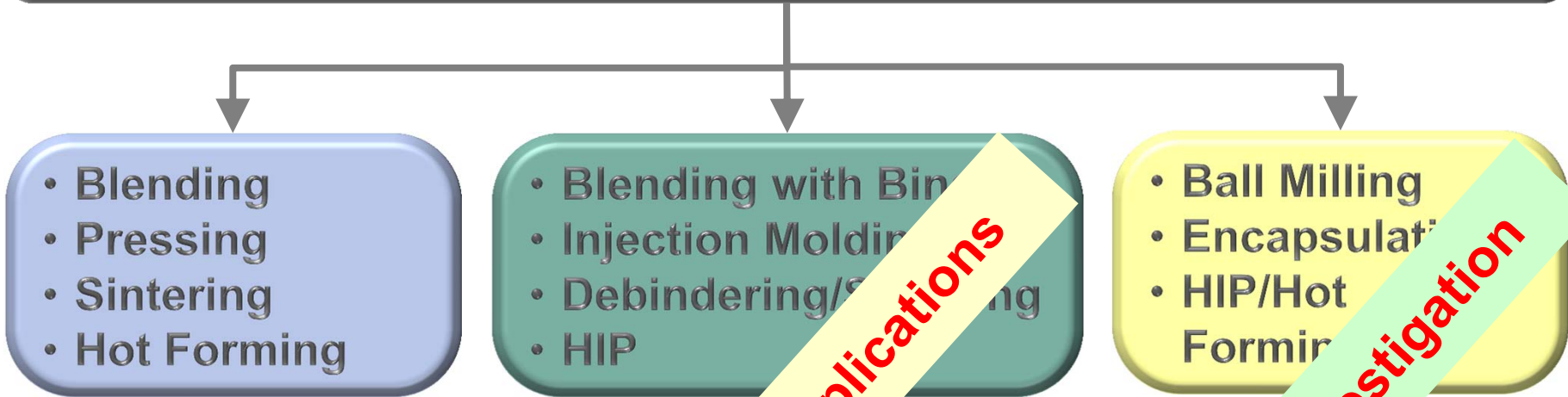
e.g. WVM, WVMW  
→ Bulb Wire

- La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (e.g. WL10, WL15, WL20)
- CeO<sub>2</sub> (e.g. WC20)
- ThO<sub>2</sub> (e.g. WT20)  
→ Weld Electrodes
- Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, TiC, HfC, etc.

**Not suitable for structural divertor applications**

# PRODUCTION ROUTES

## Powder Metallurgy



**This is so far the only large-scale production route which could handle the 500 tons of W needed for one divertor !**

**Functional Applications**

**Still Under Investigation**

- + Mass Production
- + Near finished products
- + Homogeneous microstructure

- S. Antusch, KIT
- J. Opschoor, ECN

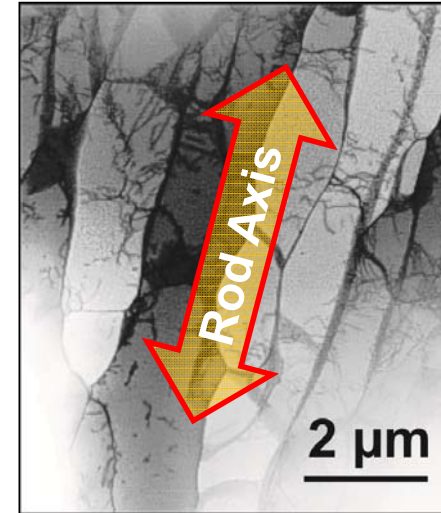
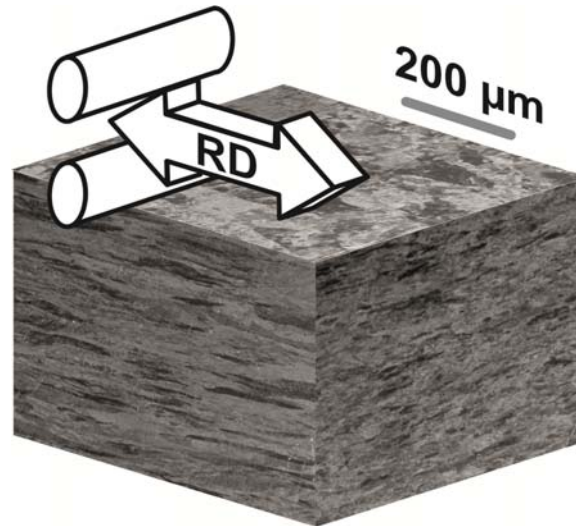
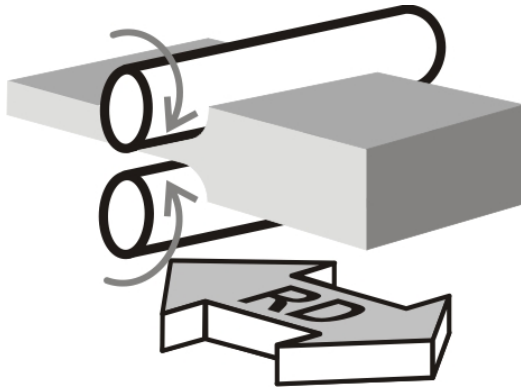
- + Near structure
- + Full scale production route

- H. Kirushita, IMR
- N. Baluc, PSI
- A. Muñoz, CIEMAT

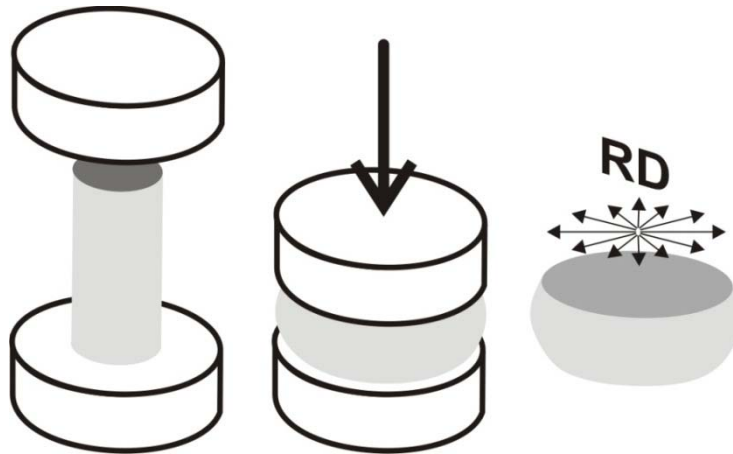


# COMMERCIAL SEMI-FINISHED W PRODUCTS

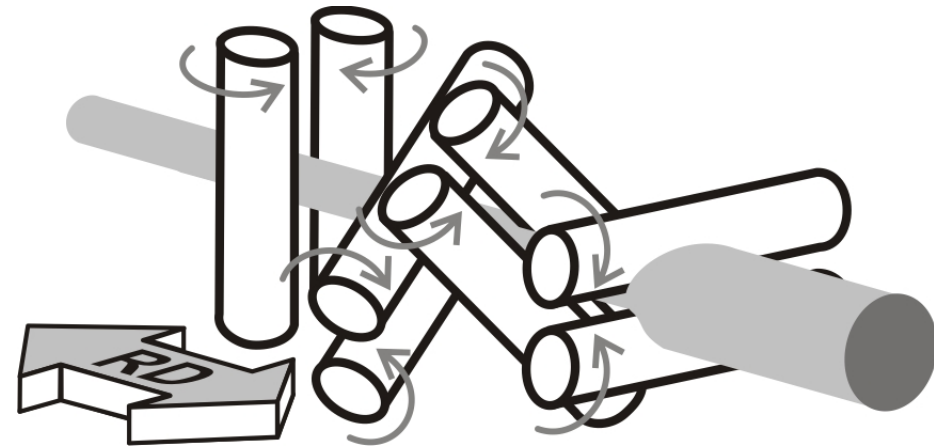
## Rolling Plates



## Forging Round Blanks

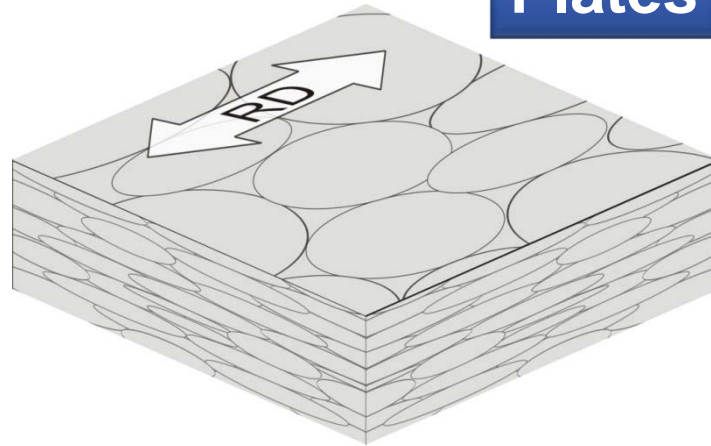


## Rolling/Swaging Rods

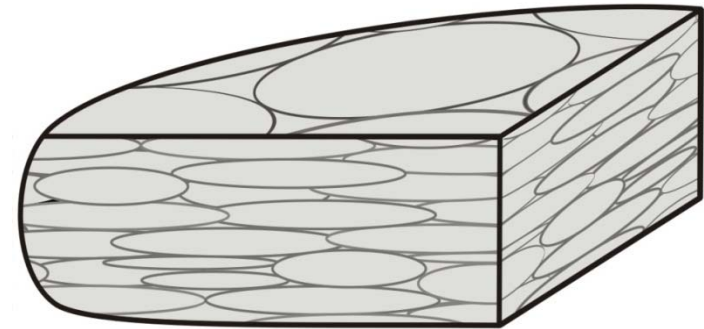


# Microstructure: Simplification

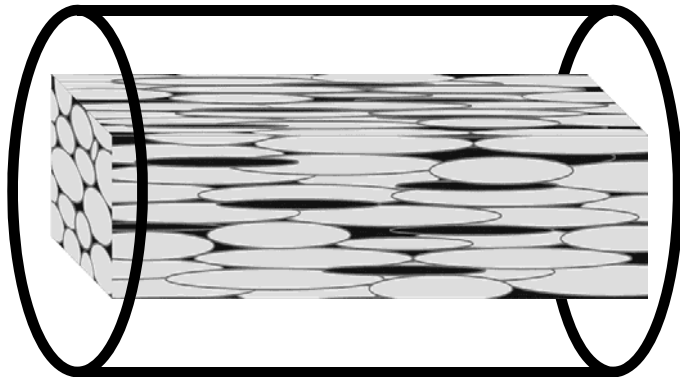
Plates



Round Blanks



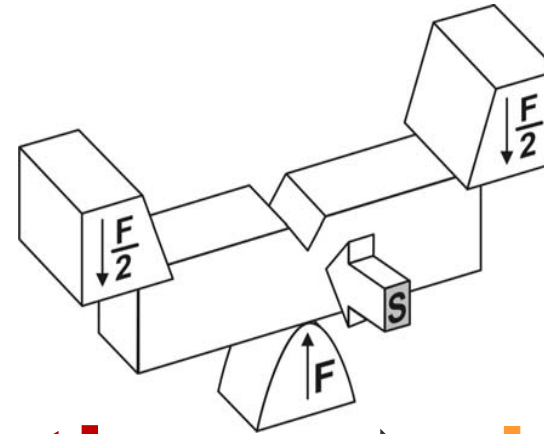
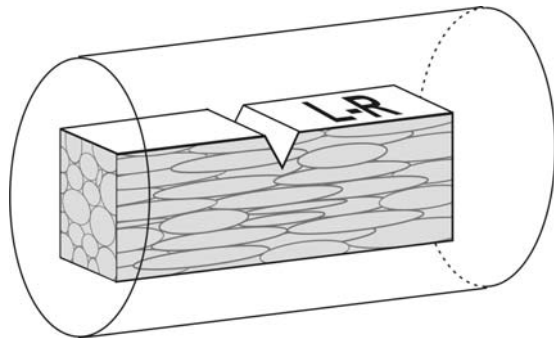
Rods



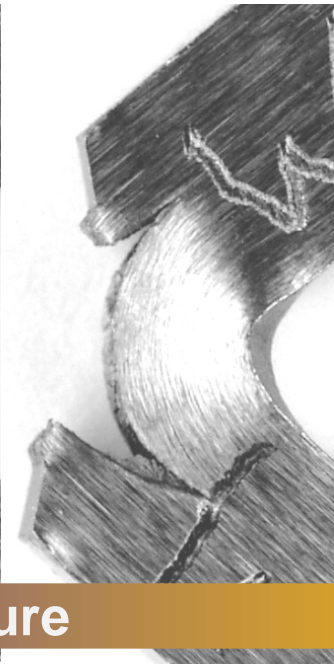
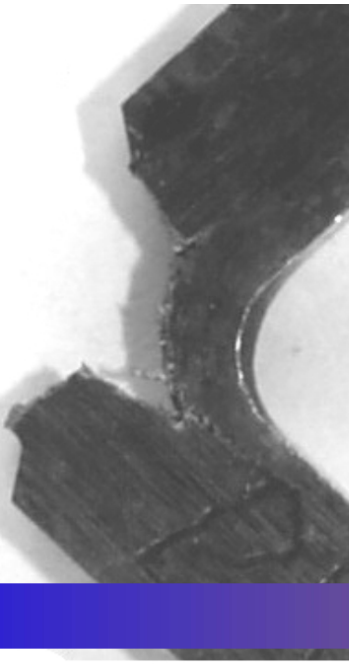
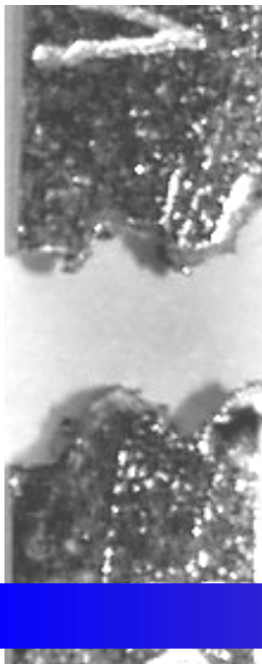
Stack of „Pancakes“

Bundle of „Fibres“

# Rods: Dynamic Fracture

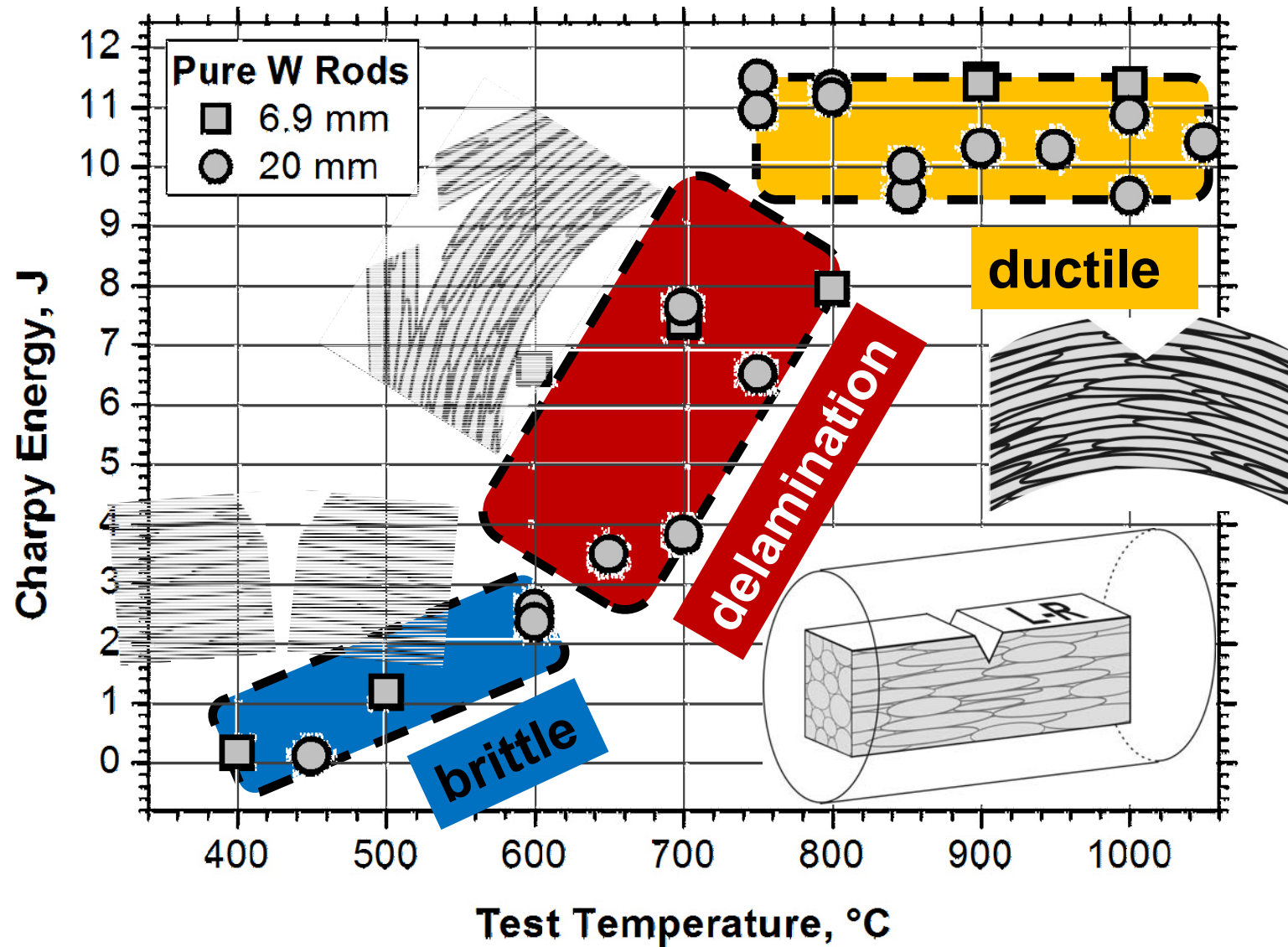


**brittle** → **delamination** → **ductile**

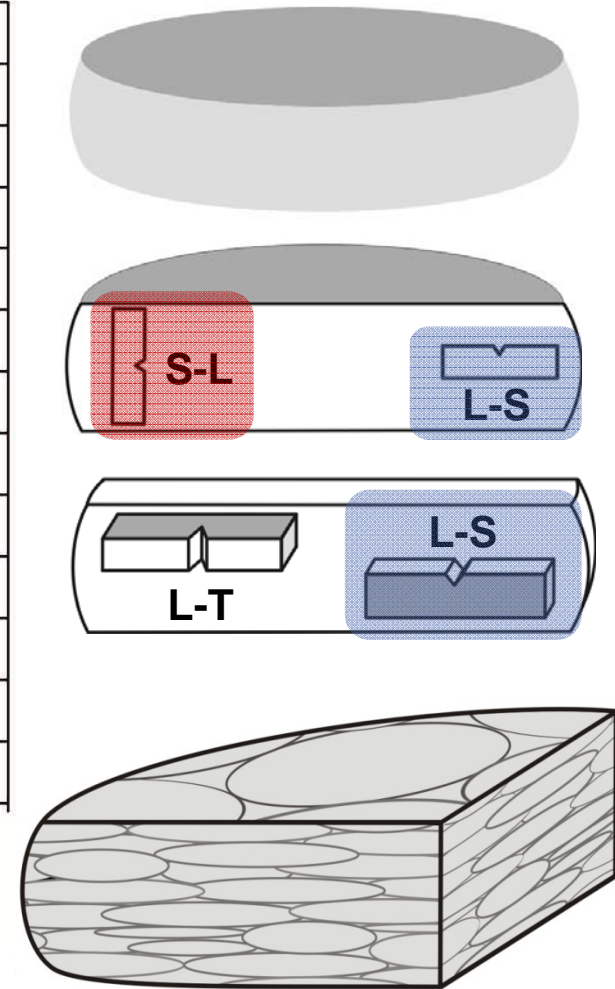
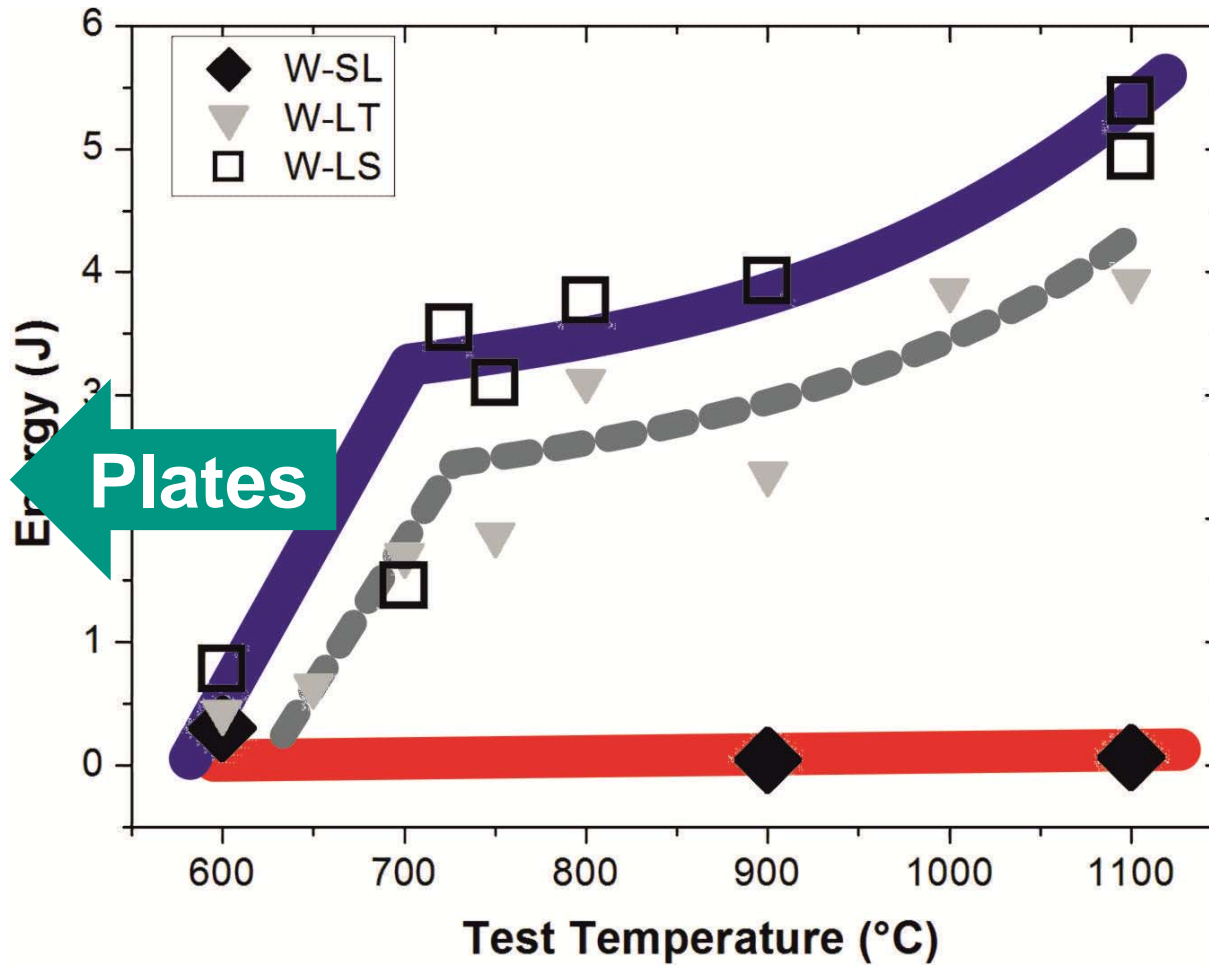


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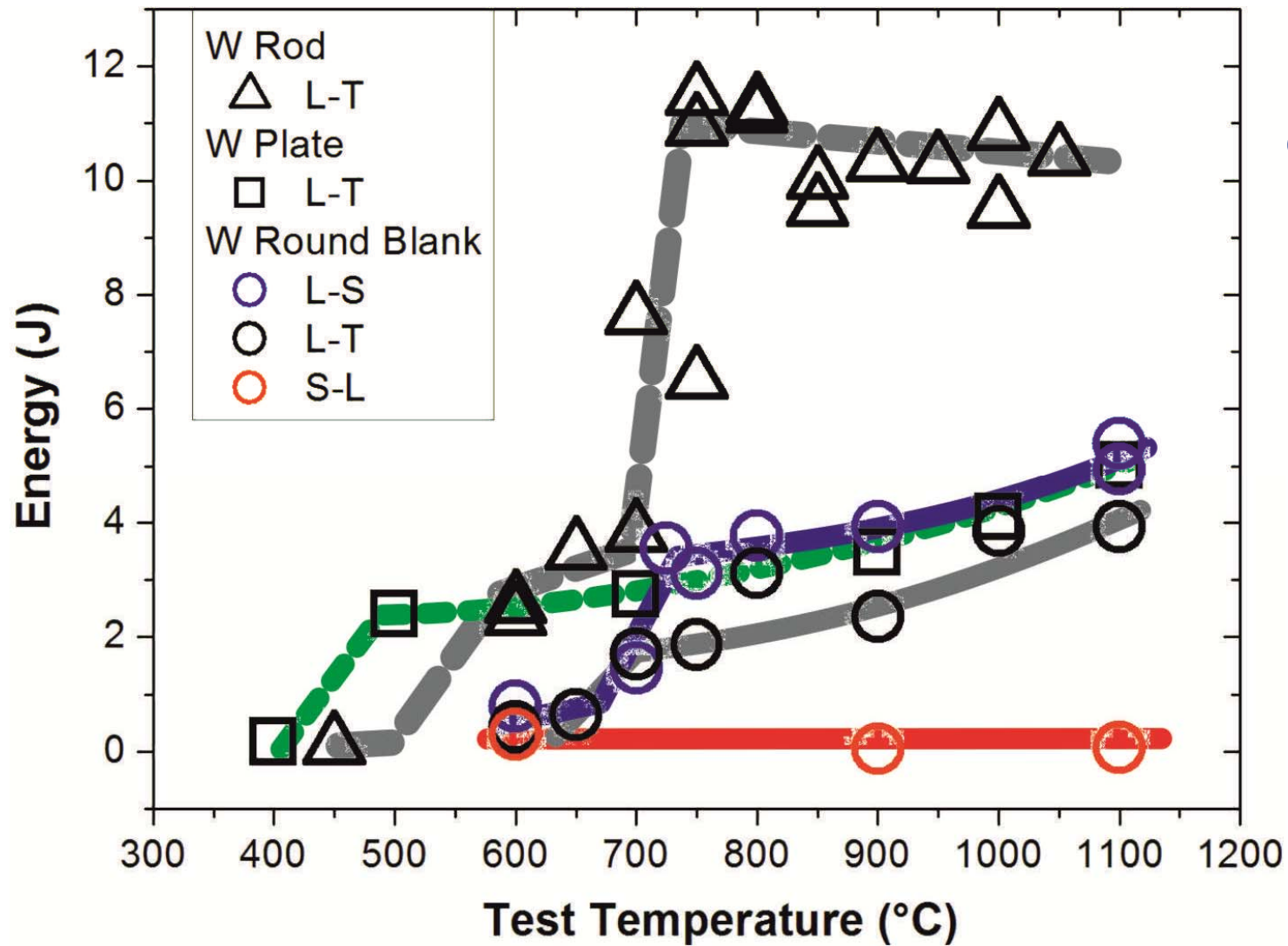
# Rods: Fracture Mode Transitions



# Plates/Blanks: Fracture Behavior



# Pure W - Overview

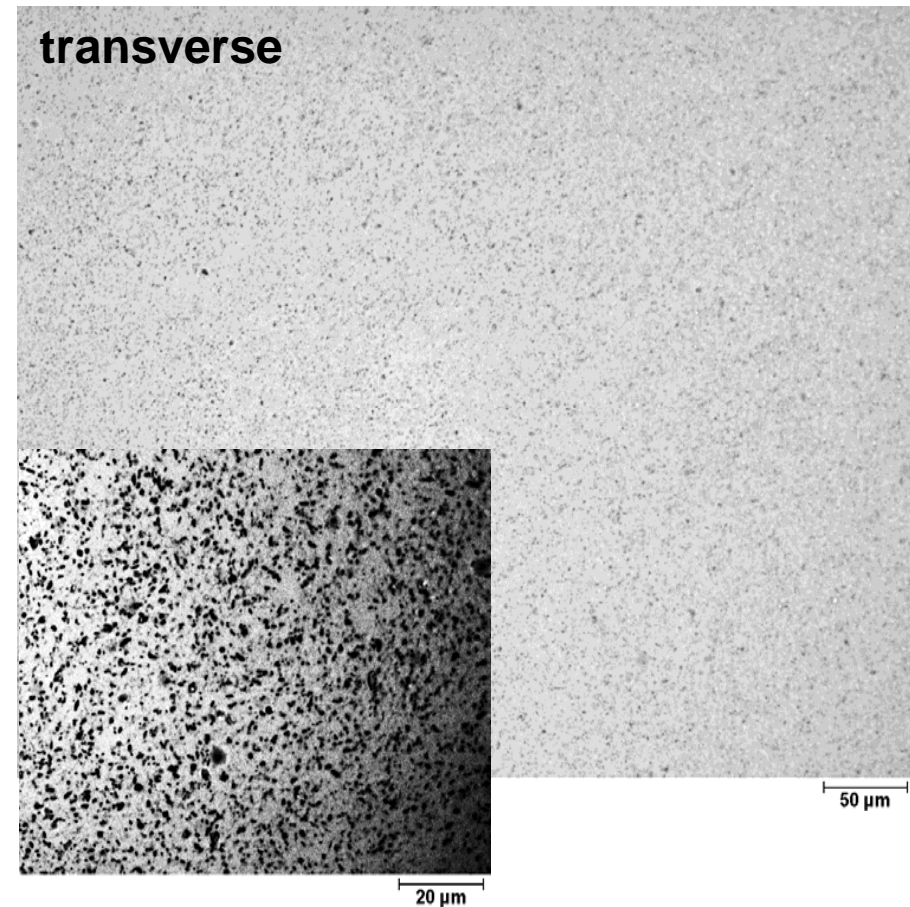
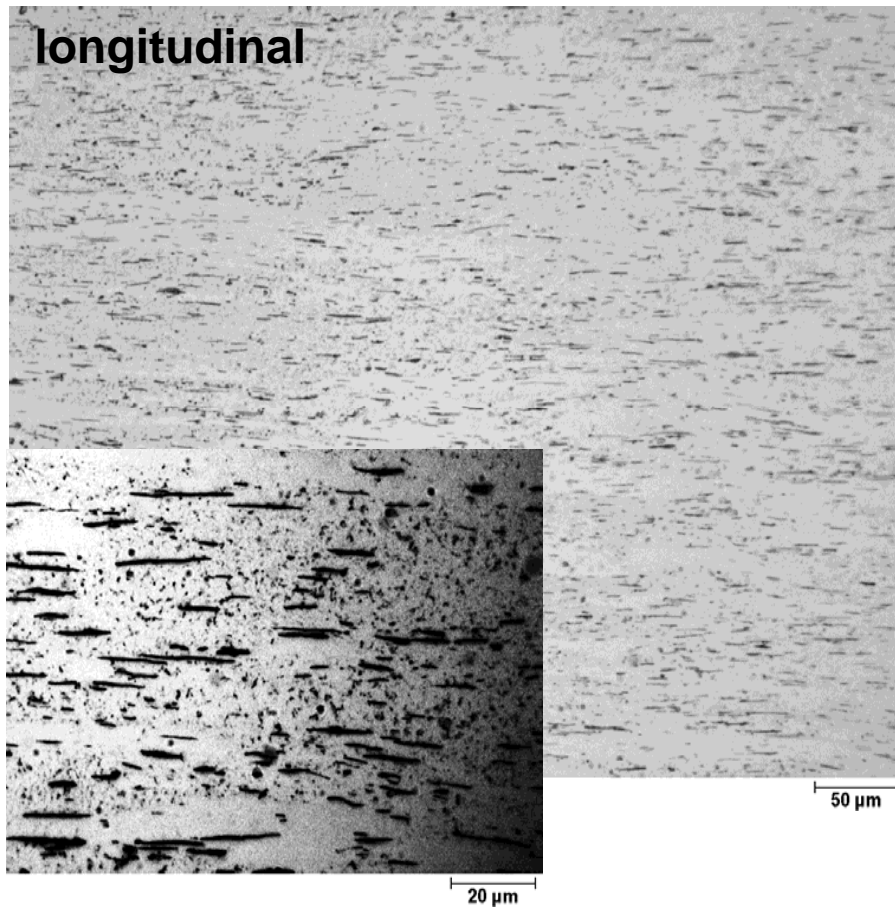


# Effect of ODS particles in W

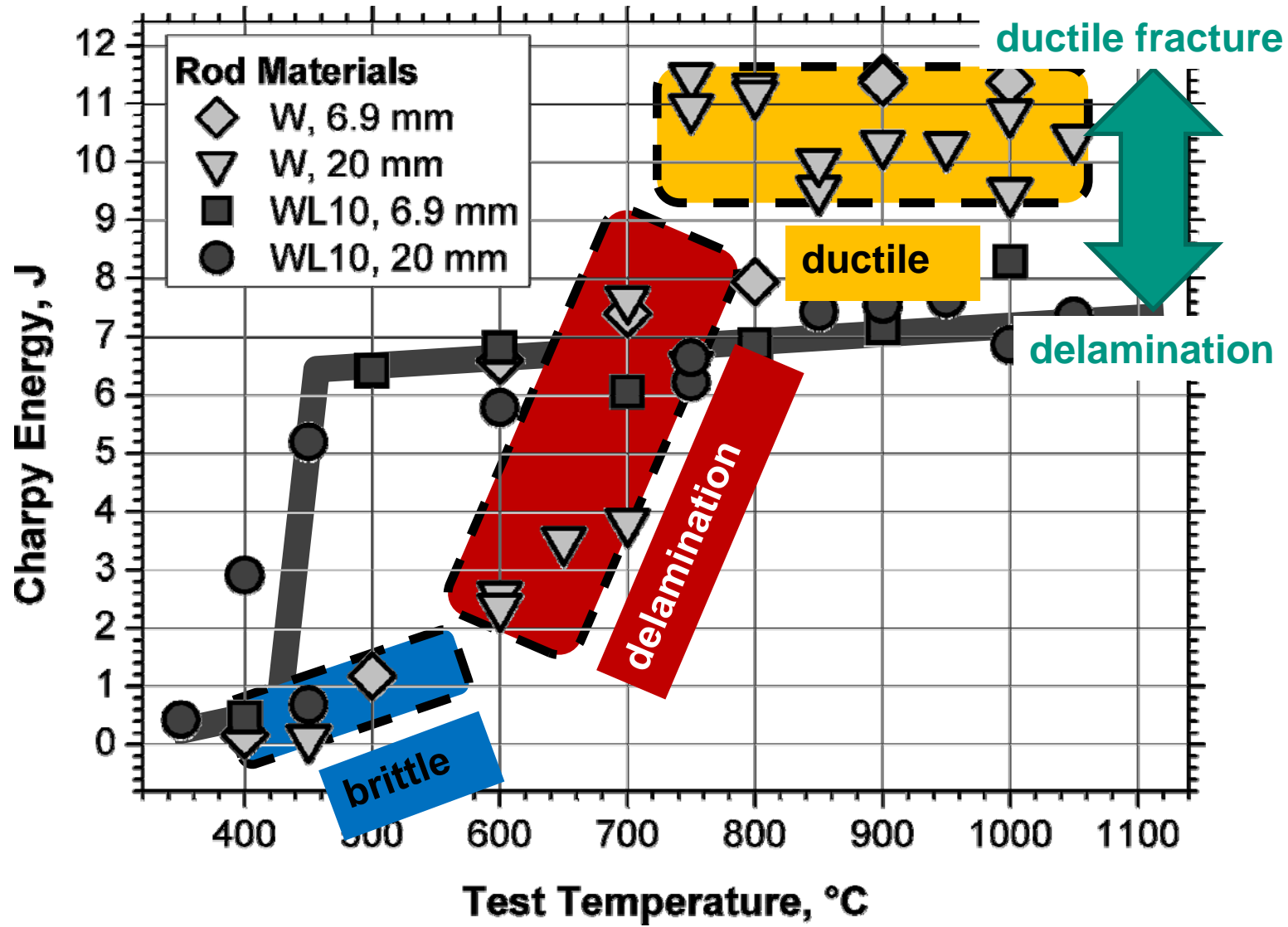
WL10 Rod, Ø7 mm



Rods: Metallography



# Effect of ODS particles in W





# “REASONABLE” ALLOYING ELEMENTS FOR W

$M_2W$ <b>Be</b>	<b>Mg</b>	$MW$ <b>B</b>	$MW_2$ <b>C</b> $M_{1-x}W$	$M_4W$ <b>Al</b>		<b>Y</b>	<b>La</b>	
<b>Ti</b> >3wt.% >300°C	<b>V</b>	$MW_3$ <b>Cr</b>	<b>Mn</b>	$MW, M_7W_6$ <b>Fe</b>	$M_7W_6$ <b>Co</b>	$MW$ <b>Ni</b>	<b>Cu</b>	
$MW_2$ <b>Zr</b>	<b>Nb</b>	<b>Mo</b>		<b>Ru</b> < 3 wt. %	<b>Rh</b> < 2 wt. %	$M_3W$ <b>Pd</b>	<b>Ag</b>	<b>Cd</b>
$MW_2$ <b>Hf</b>	<b>Ta</b>		$MW$ <b>Re</b> < 26 %	<b>Os</b> < 5 %	$MW$ <b>Ir</b>	$MW$ <b>Pt</b>	<b>Au</b>	

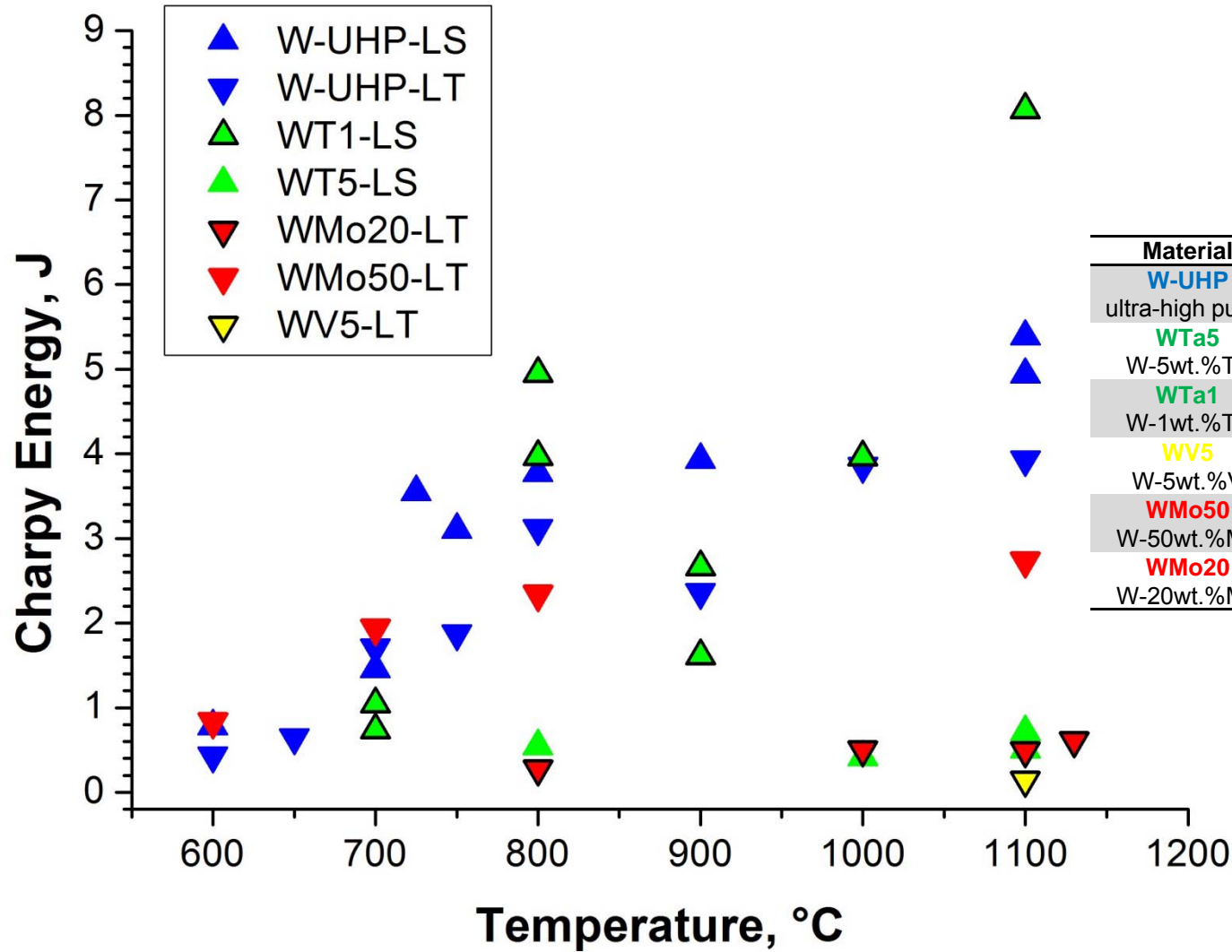
Insoluble

Intermetallic Phases

Line Compounds

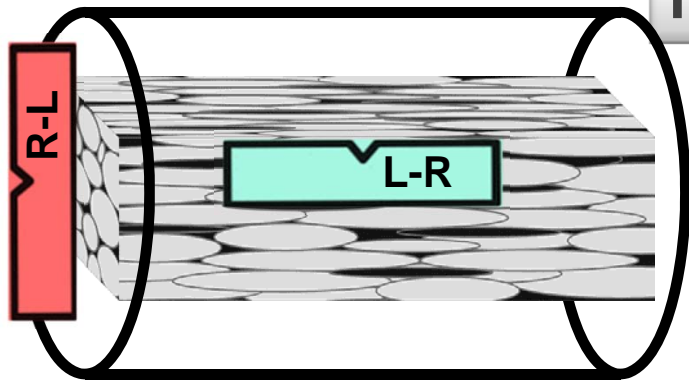
Solid Solution

# Effect of Alloying Elements in W



# MICROSTRUCTURE AND RELATED PROPERTIES

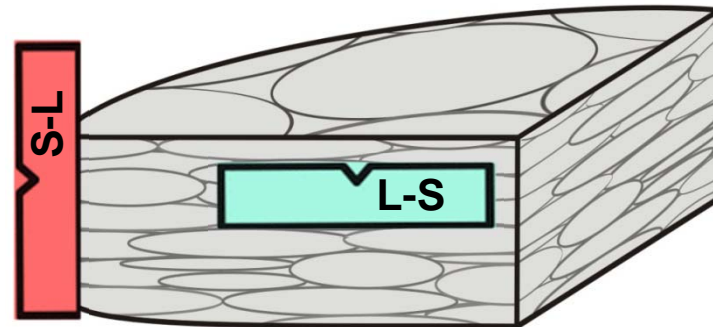
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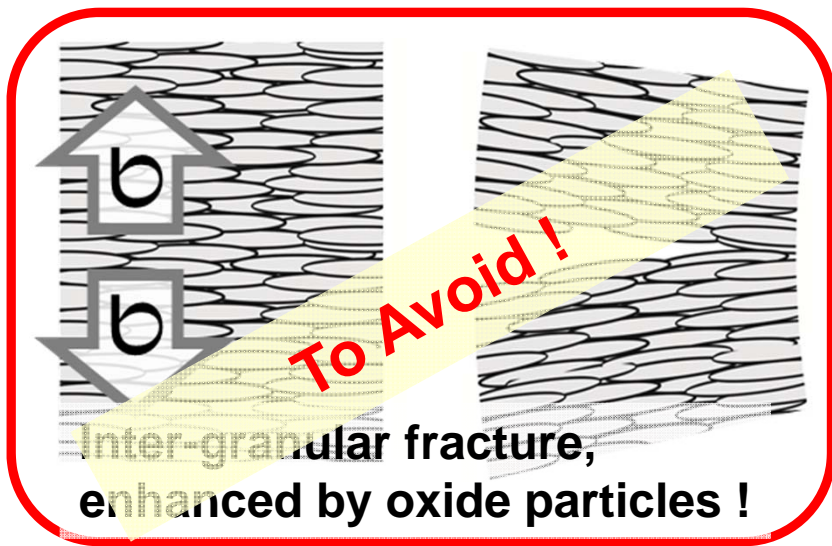
Bundle of „Fibres“

Plates

Round Blanks



Stack of „Pancakes“



A diagram showing two cross-sections of a material. The left section shows a regular, wavy pattern of layers. The right section shows a similar pattern but with a jagged, irregular fracture line. Two arrows labeled 'b' point upwards and downwards from the left section. A yellow diagonal banner with the text 'To Avoid!' is overlaid across the diagram.

Inter-granular fracture,  
enhanced by oxide particles !



A diagram showing two cross-sections of a material. The top section shows a regular, wavy pattern of layers with two arrows labeled 'σ' pointing outwards. The bottom section shows a similar pattern but with a smoother, more regular fracture line. A cyan diagonal banner with the text 'Best Orientation!' is overlaid across the diagram.

Partly ductile fracture,  
improved by deformation !

# STRUCTURAL TUNGSTEN MATERIALS - SUMMARY



So far, the best suitable tungsten materials for structural applications (divertor or other large scale components) are

**Thin Plates, Thickness < 4 mm**

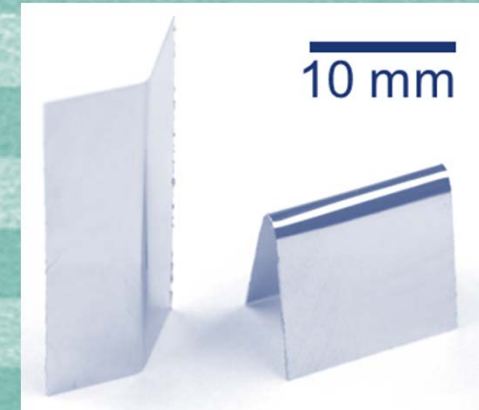
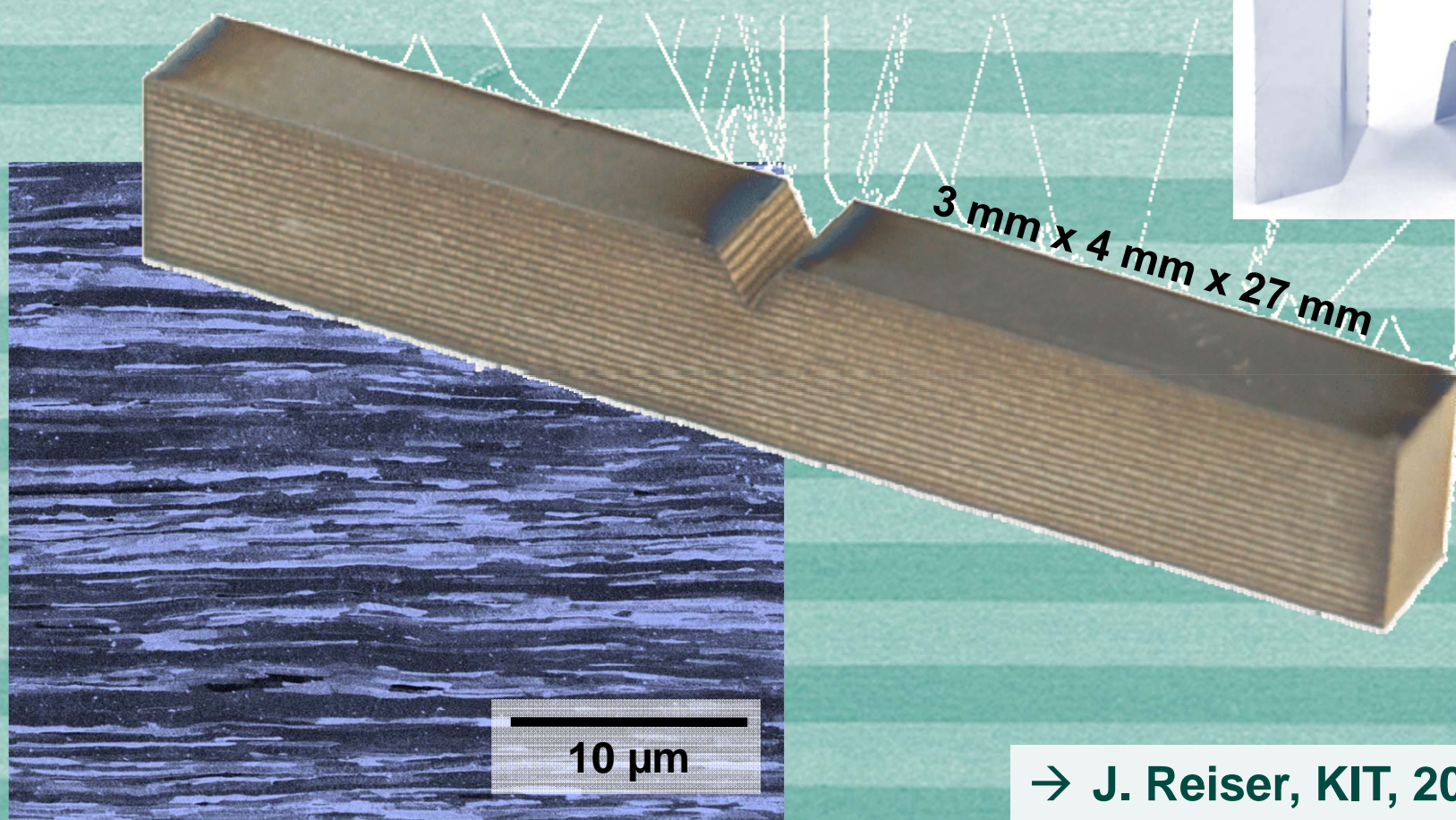
**Produced by Sintering (Hydrogen Atmosphere) and Cross-Rolling**

**Pure Tungsten (maybe small amounts of grain stabilizers, like  $\text{La}_2\text{O}_3$ )**

**Costs for 500 t → over 100 Mio. US \$**

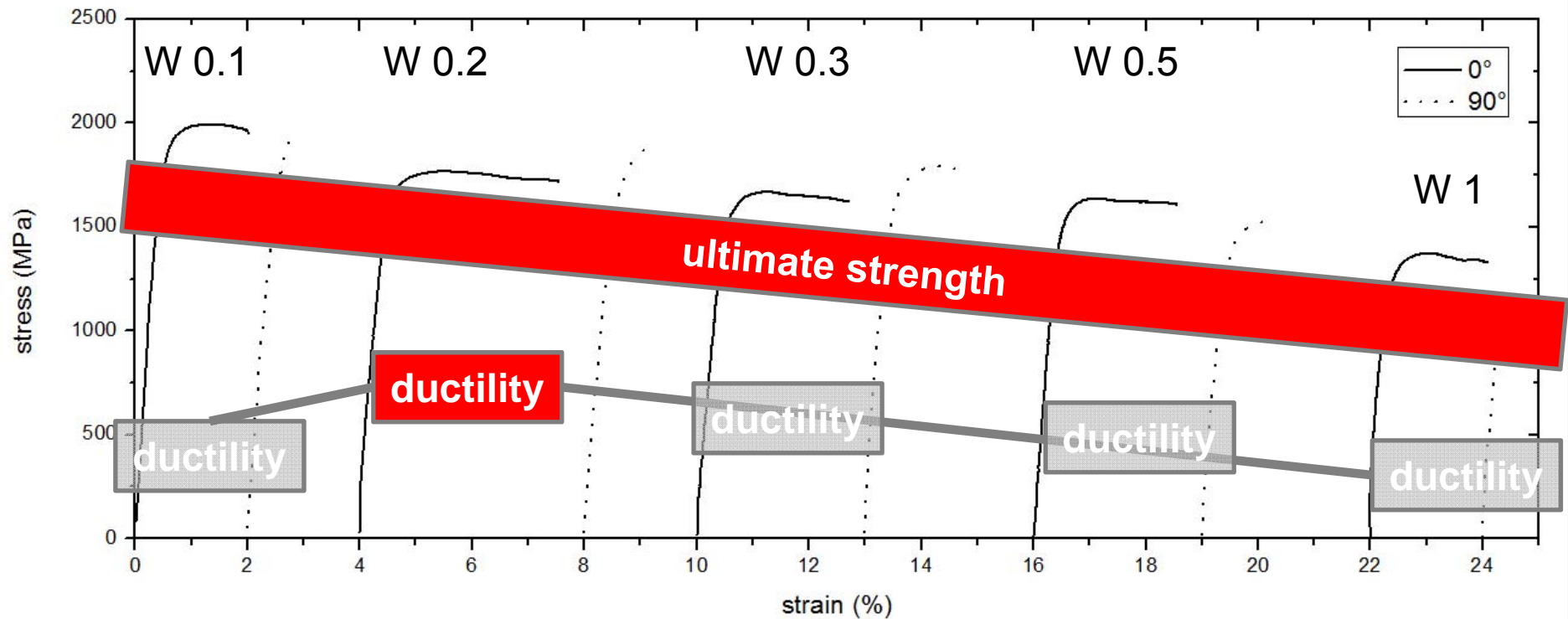
based on PLANSEE online catalogue, September 2011, including discount

## W Laminate Material



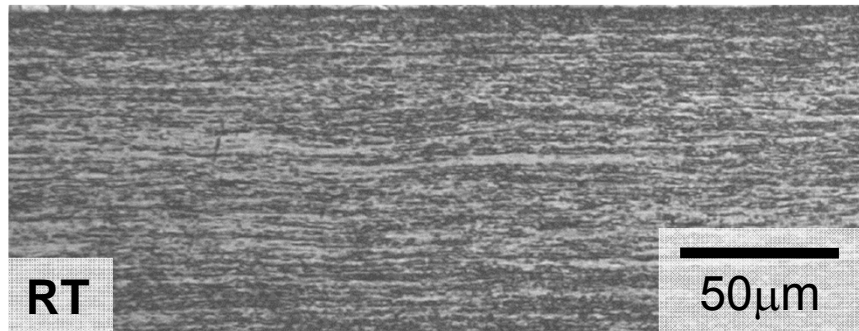
→ J. Reiser, KIT, 2010-2011

# TENSILE TEST PROPERTIES: W



■ assumption: optimum ductility at 0.2 mm thickness

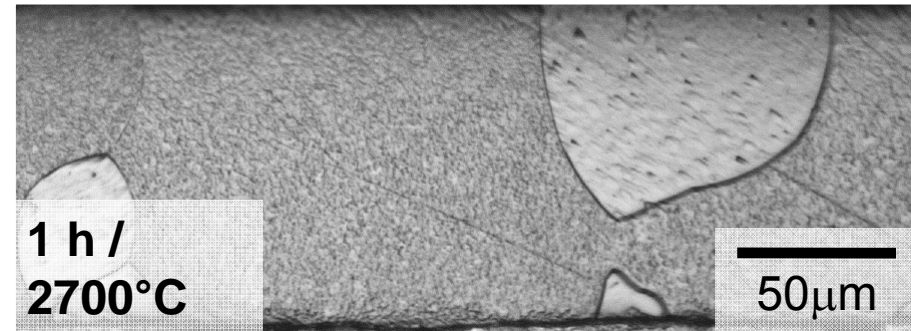
# MICROSTRUCTURE OF W-FOIL, 0.1 MM



## W 0.1 mm, as-received

texture: {100} <011>  
grain size: 0.5 x 3 x 15 μm<sup>3</sup>  
disl. density: high

**ductility:** edge,  
small grains



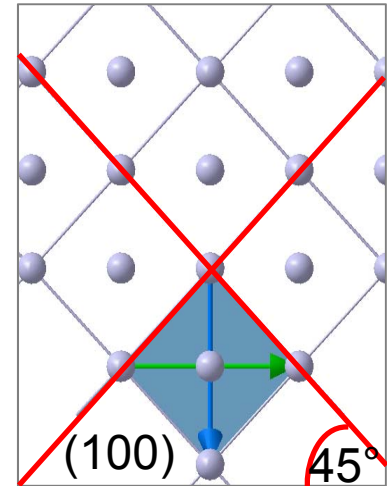
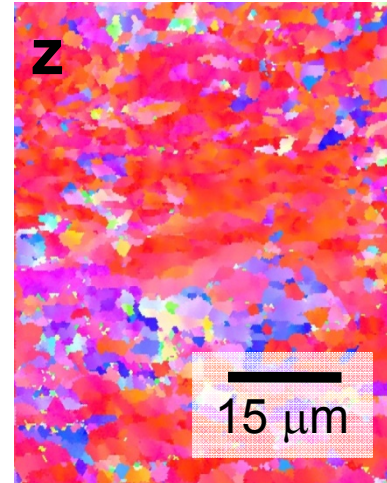
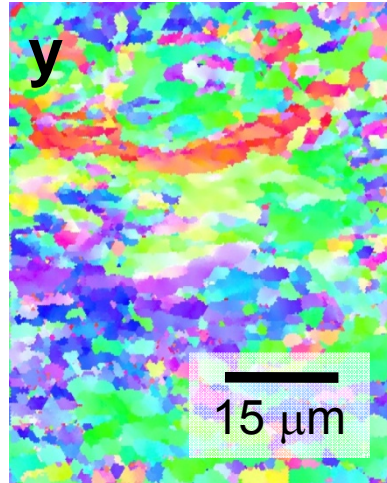
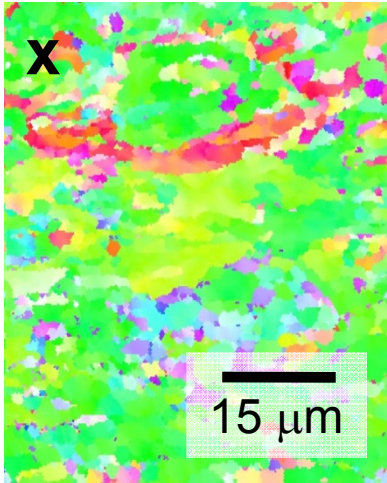
## W 0.1 mm, annealed

texture: {100} <011>  
grain size: 100 x 100 x 100 μm<sup>3</sup>  
disl. density: low

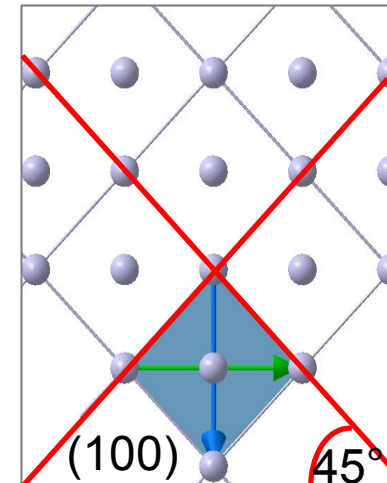
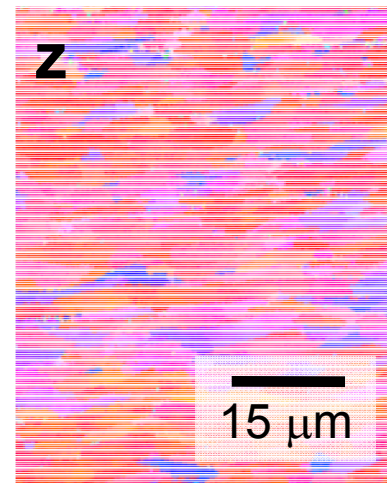
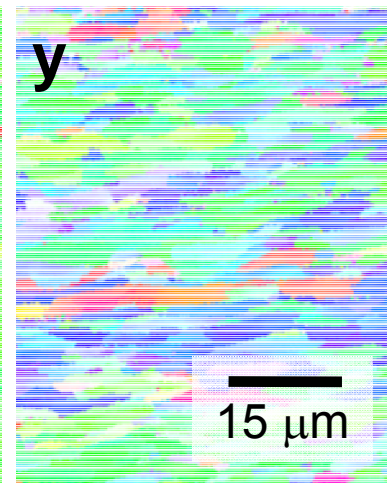
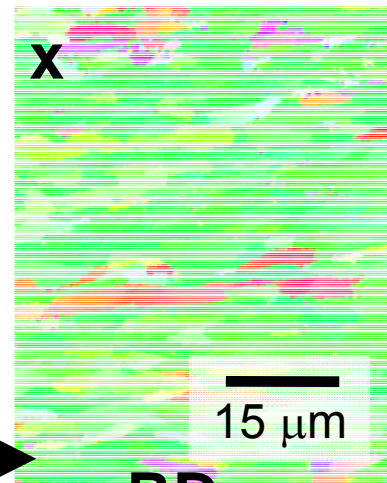
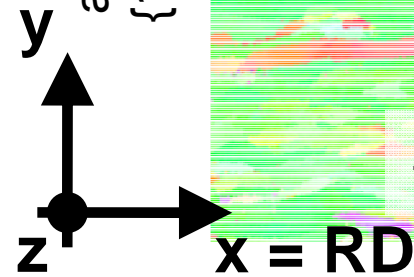
**ductility:** screw,  
disl. annihil.

# TEXTURE ANALYSIS: W FOIL AS RECEIVED

W 0.1  
1 h / 800°C  
{100} <011>



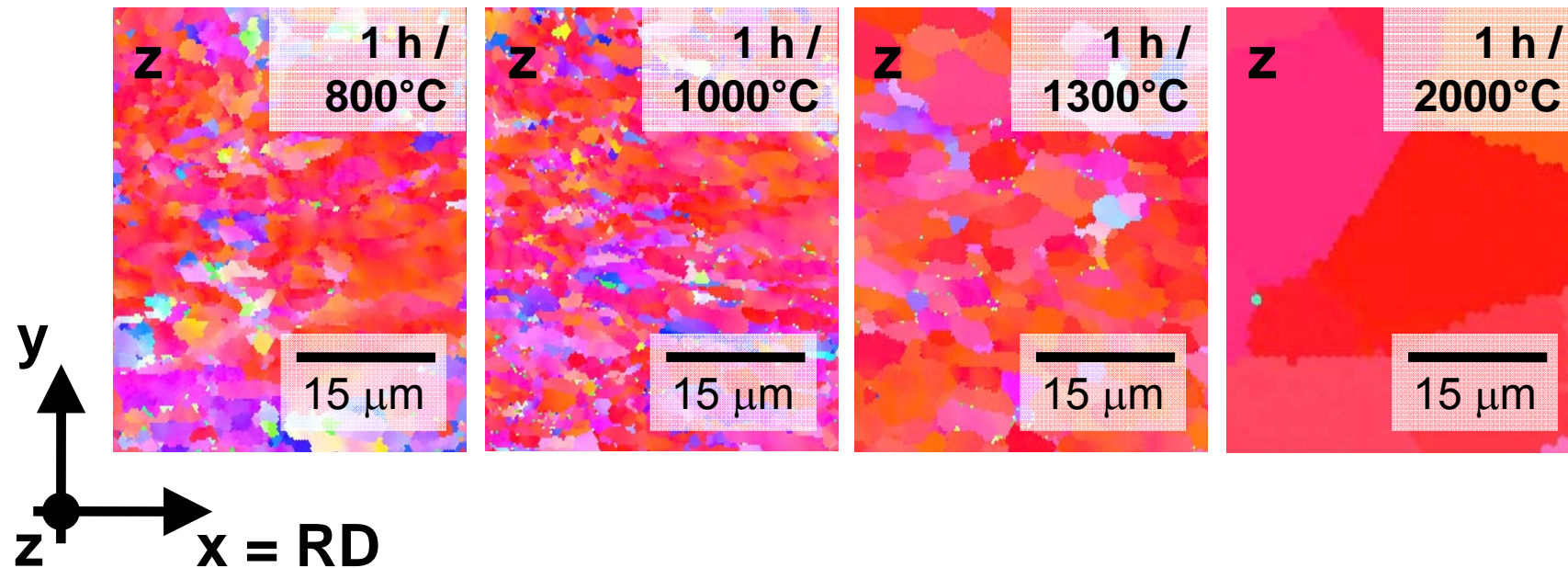
W 0.025  
as-received  
{100} <011>



David Armstrong, Oxford, 2011



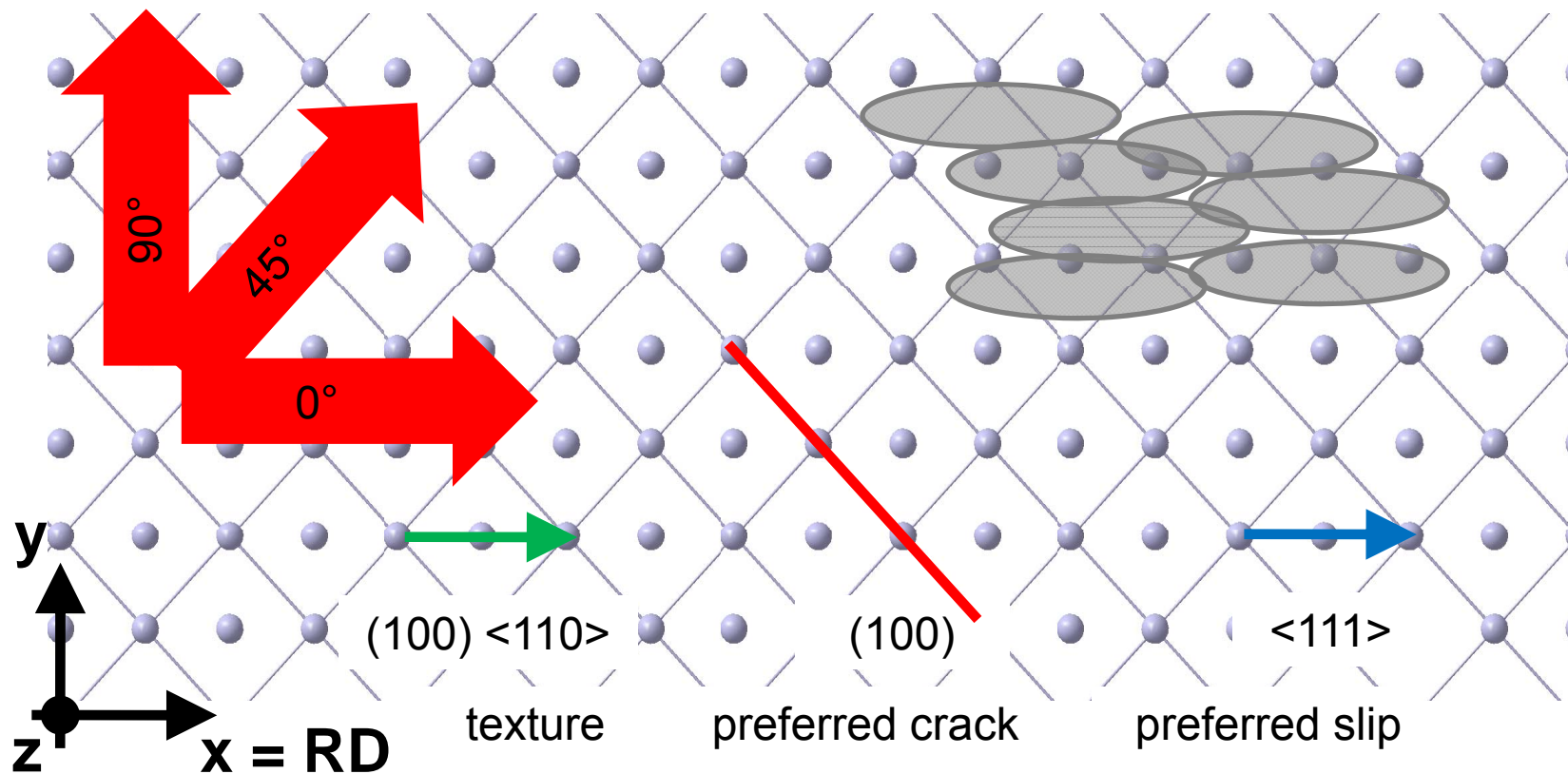
# TEXTURE ANALYSIS: W FOIL AFTER HT



D. E. J. Armstrong, Oxford, 2011

# TENSILE TEST PROPERTIES: W 0.1 MM

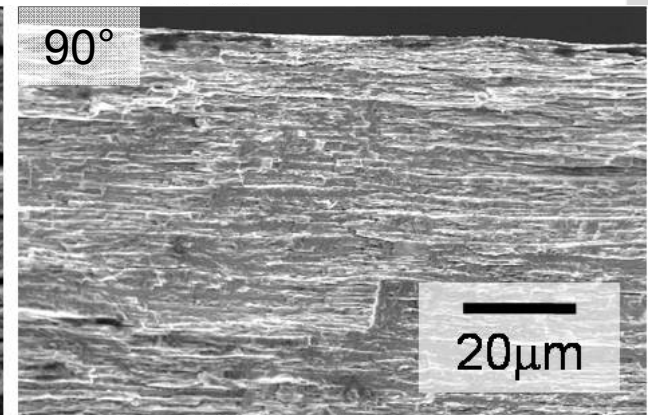
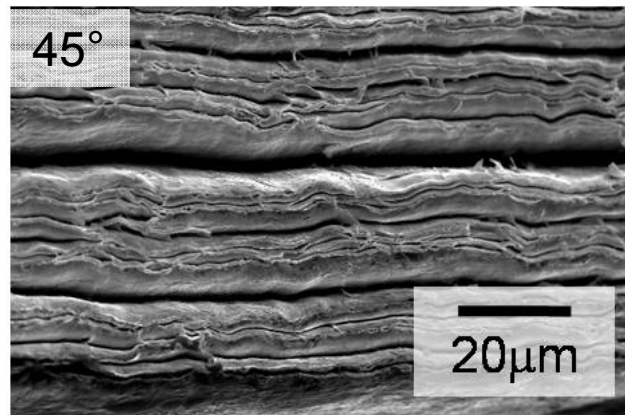
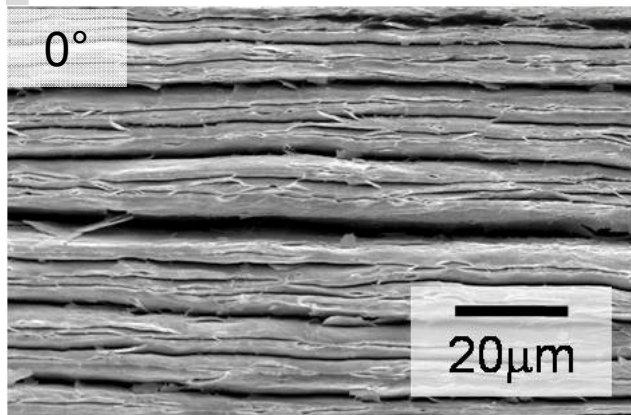
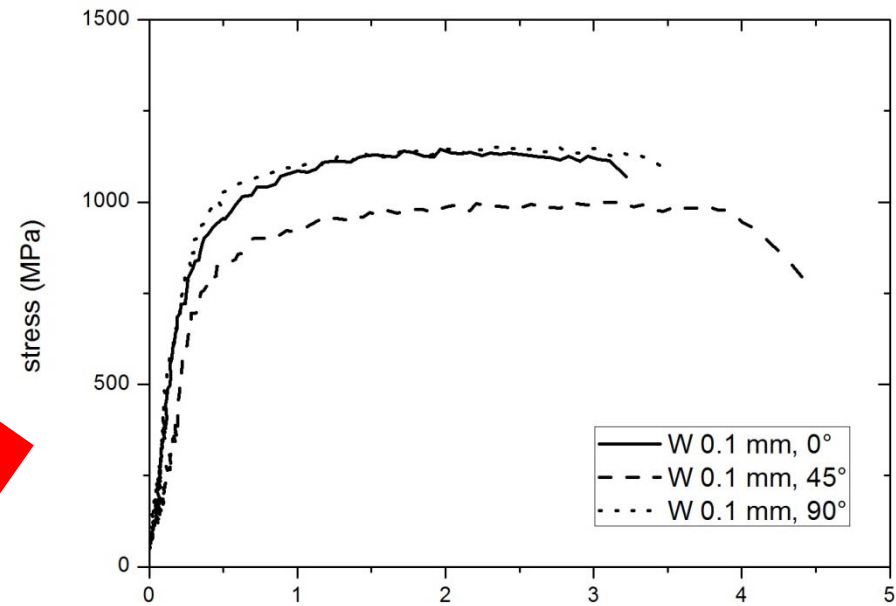
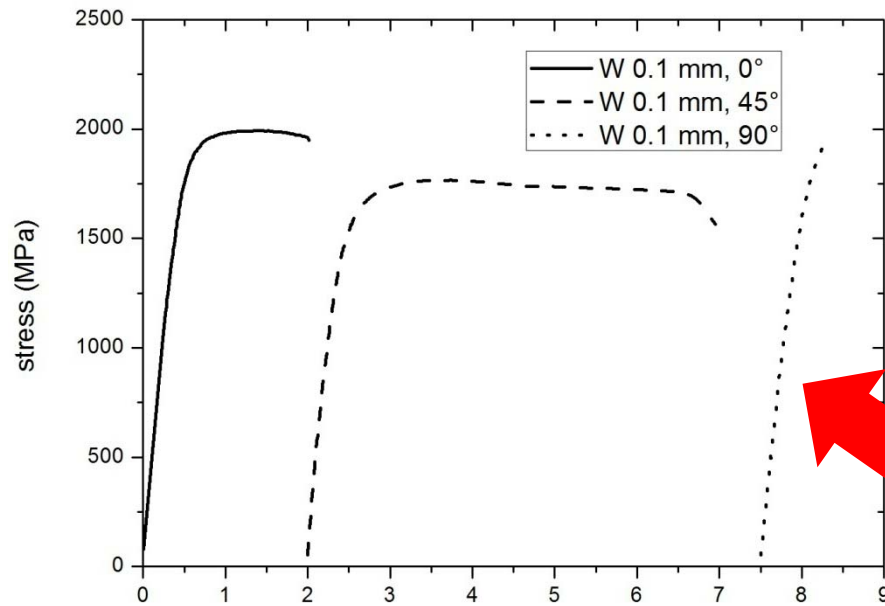
- texture:  $(100) \langle 110 \rangle$
- preferred slip:  $\langle 111 \rangle$
- W foil, 0.1 mm, grain size:  $0.5 \times 3 \times 15 \mu\text{m}^3$



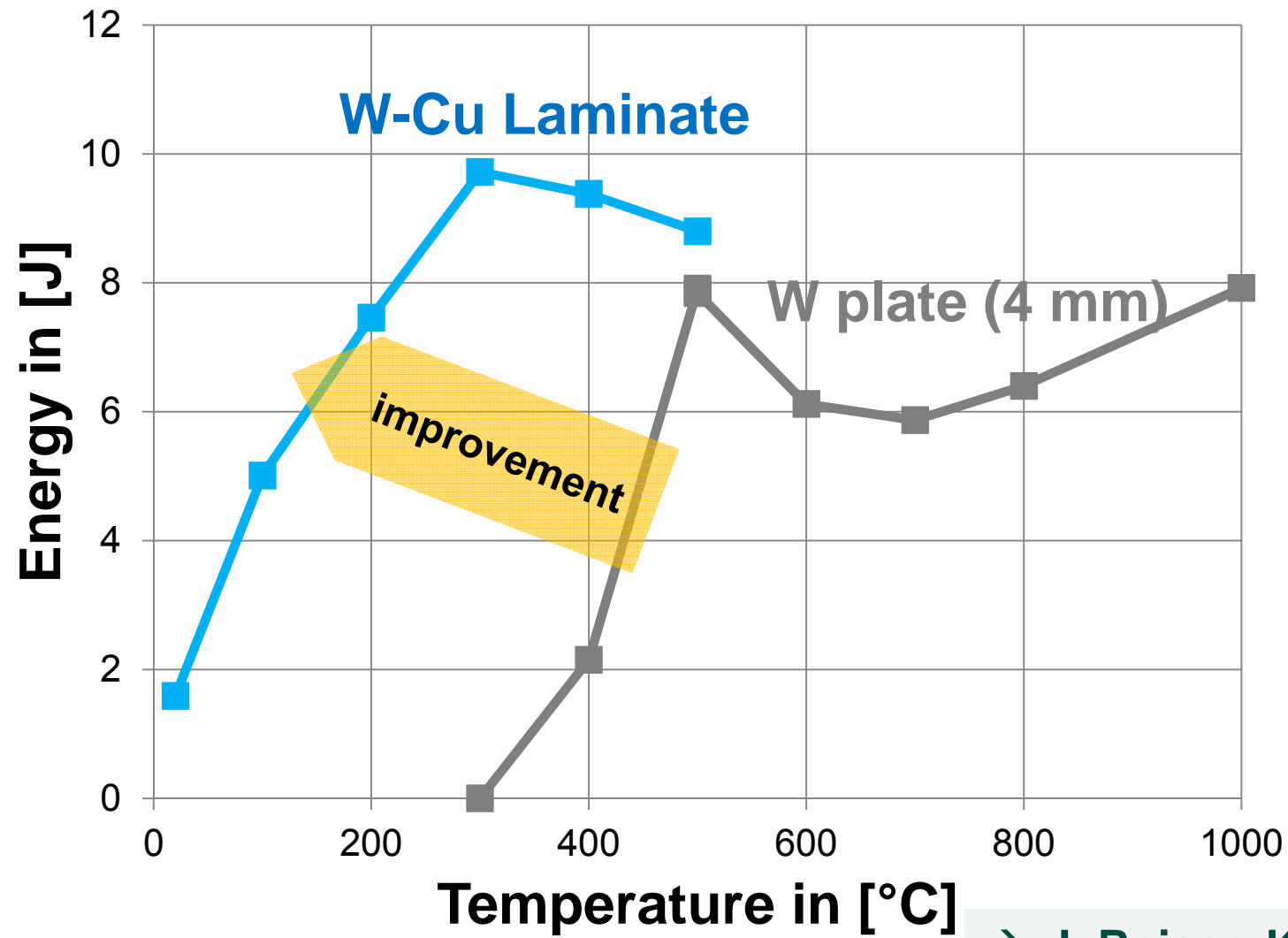
# TENSILE TEST PROPERTIES: W 0.1 mm

W foil, 0.1 mm, RT

W foil, 0.1 mm, 600°C

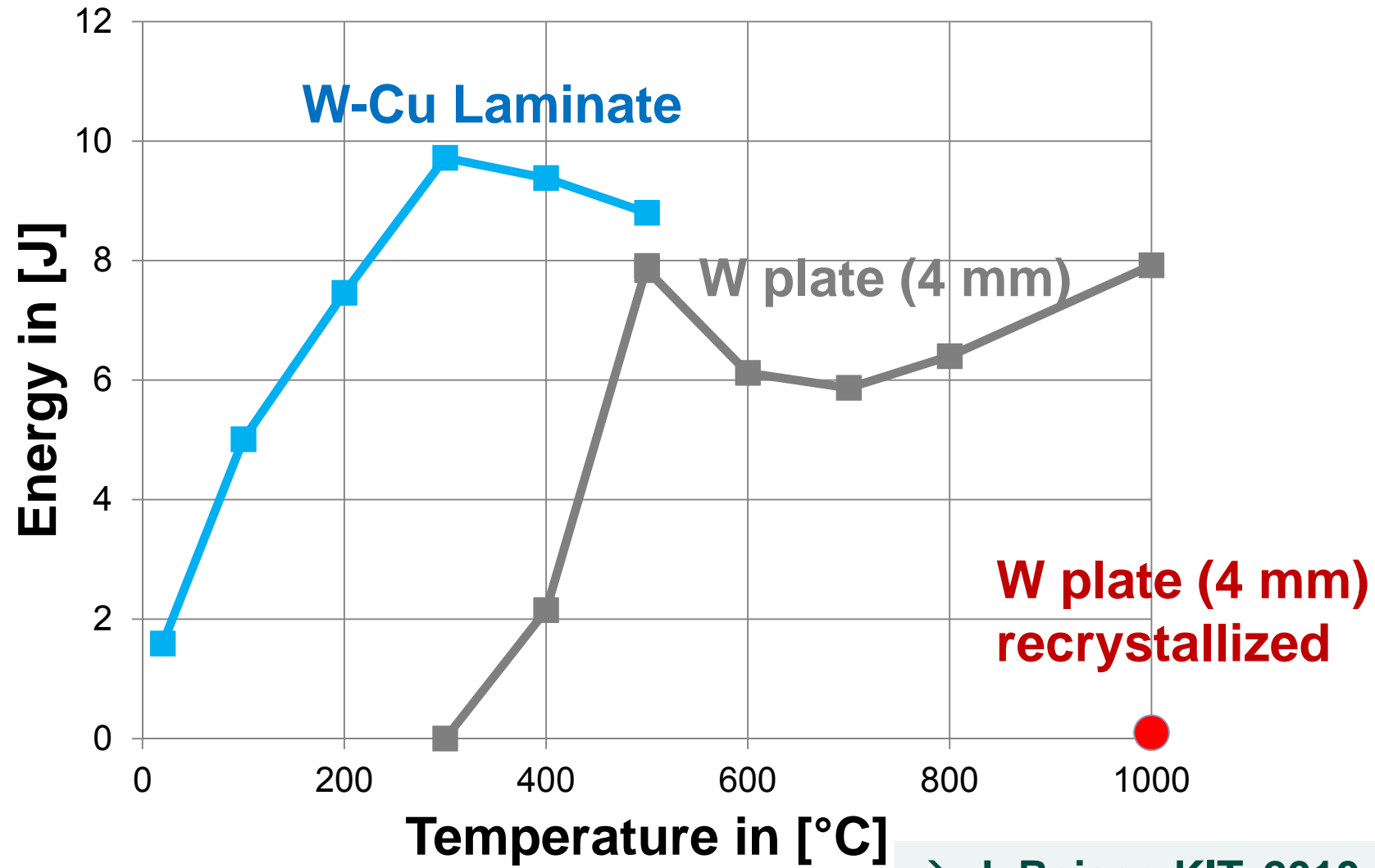


# PATH FORWARD → TUNGSTEN LAMINATES



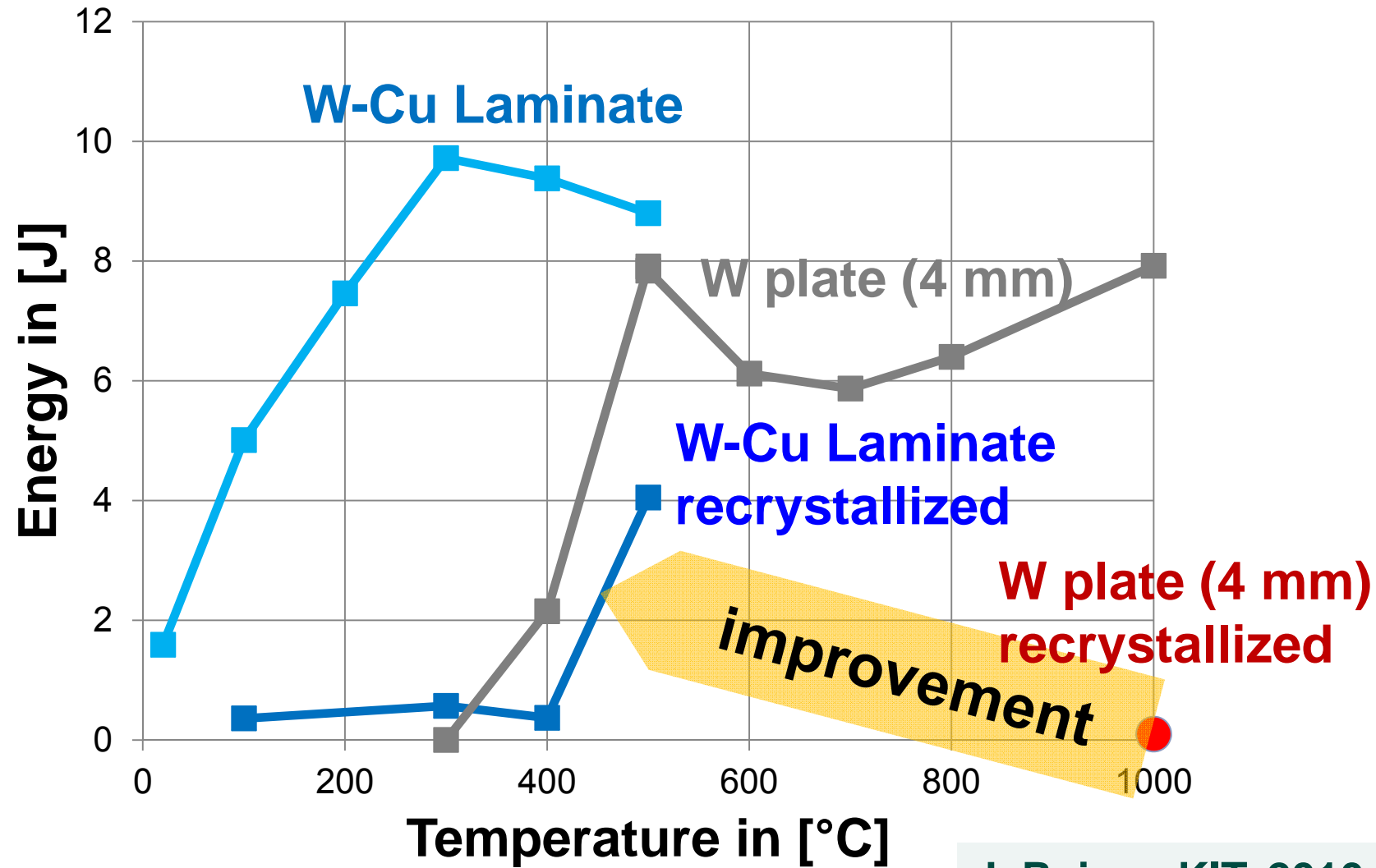
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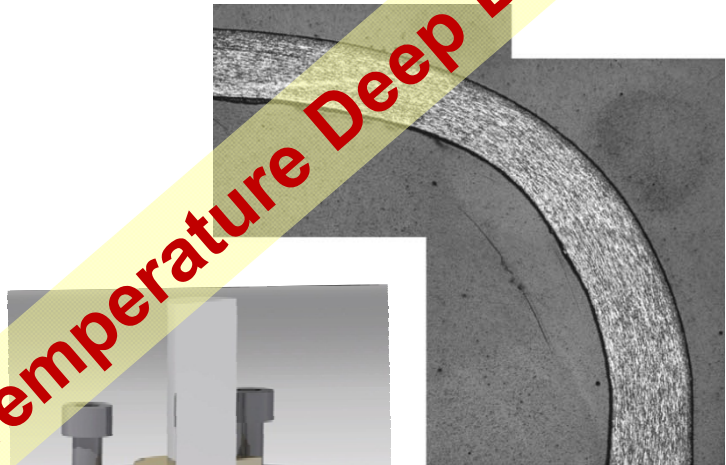
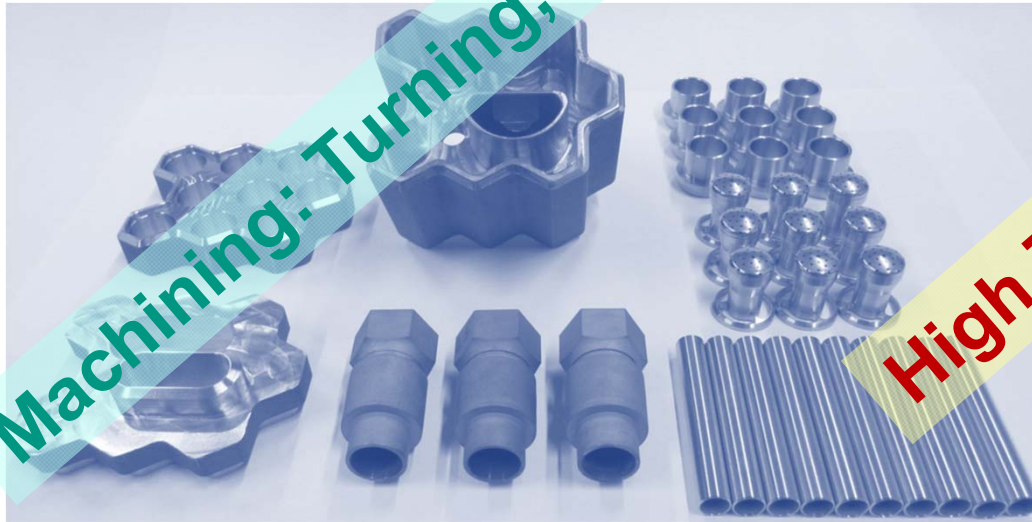
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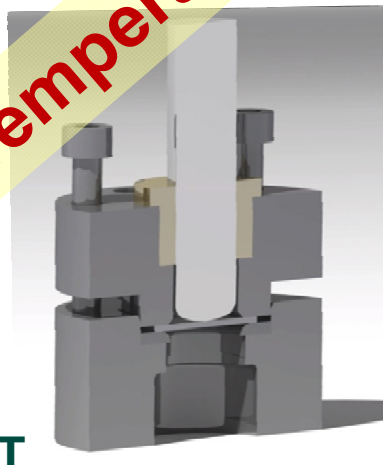


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# MANUFACTURING



1mm



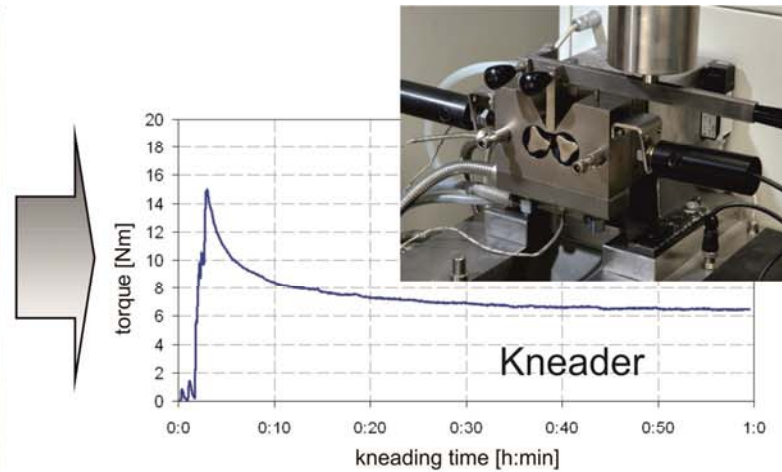
Machining: Turning, Milling, Grinding, ...  
High Temperature Deep Drawing

P. Norajitra, J. Reiser, S. Baumgärtner *et al.*, KIT

# POWDER INJECTION MOULDING (PIM)



W-Powder + Binder



Feedstock development

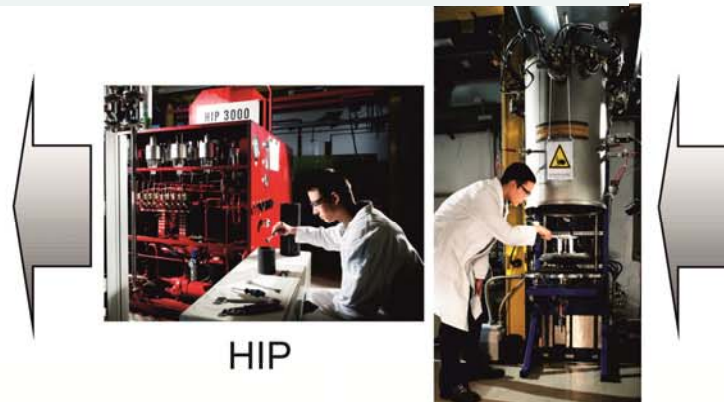


W-Feedstock

**S. Antusch, KIT, 2010-2011**



Green parts (dark)  
Finished parts (bright)



HIP

pre-sintering

debinding + heat-treatment process

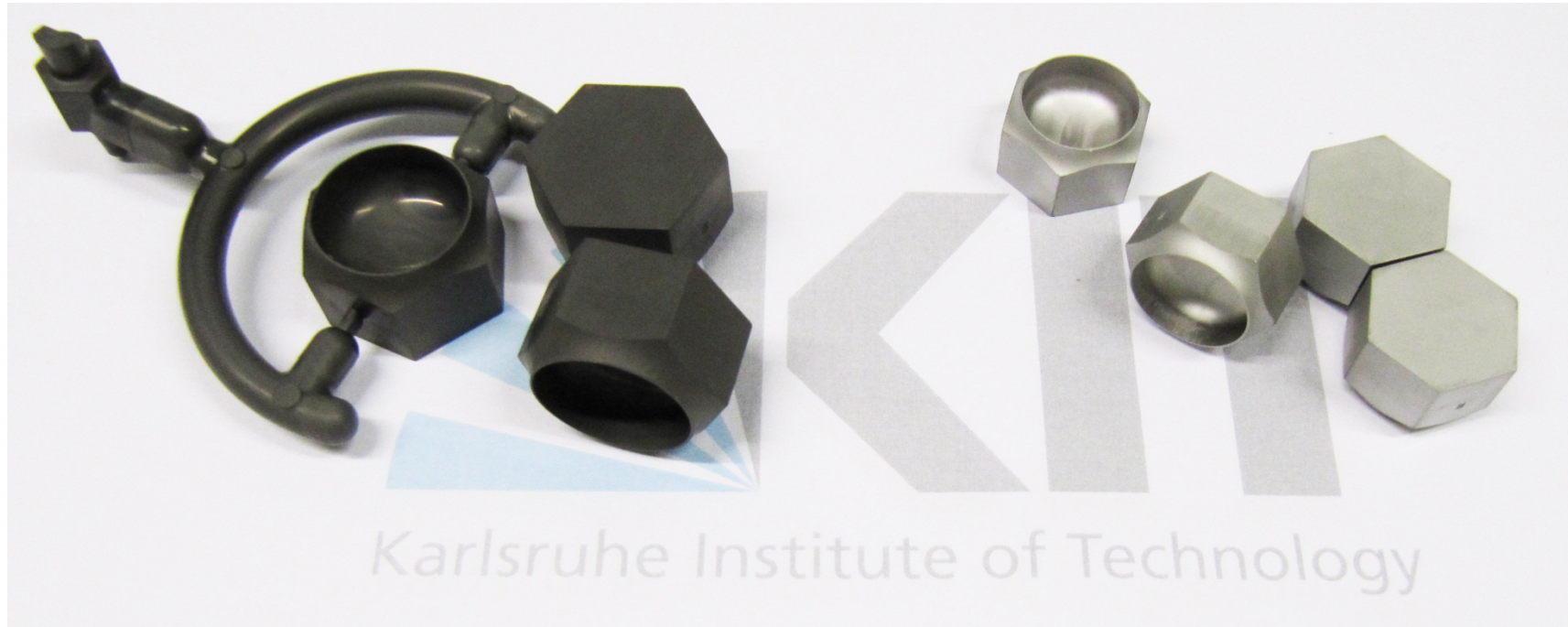


Injection molding  
of green parts



# PIM PROCESS FOR TUNGSTEN PARTS

→ near net-shape mass fabrication of tungsten parts



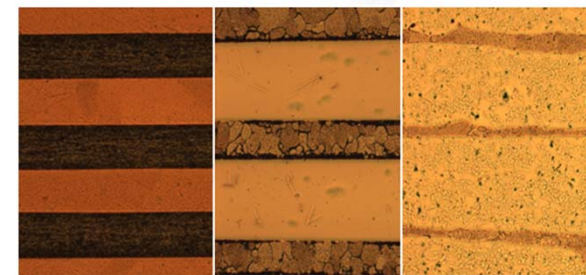
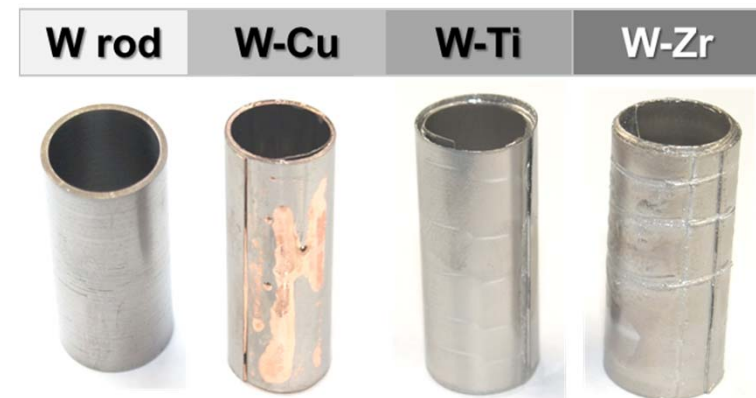
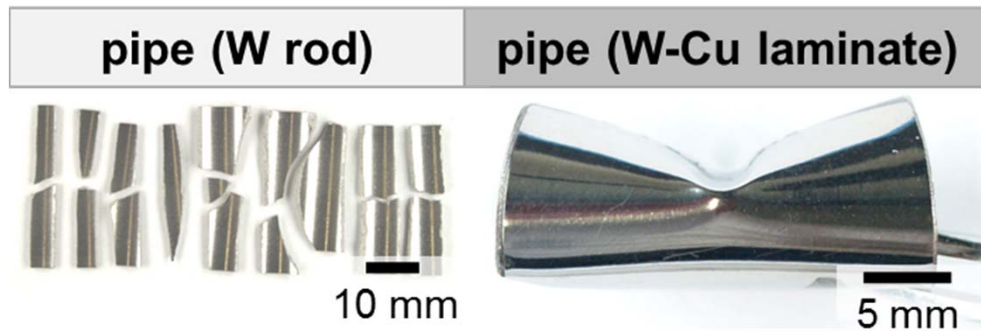
**green parts**

**debinding +  
heat-treatment-process**

**finished parts**

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# PIPE FABRICATION



- Pipe fabrication with W laminates
  - Wrapping under investigation
  - Possible alternatives identified
- Pipe characterization
  - Impact tests
  - Pressurized tests (static, cyclic) in preparation
- Irradiation performance

J. Reiser *et al.*, KIT, 2011

**IMPORTANT: We have to consider joints for STRUCTURAL applications!!!  
Joining W tiles to W timbles is NOT considered as structural application!**

## Brazing Material for W-W Joints

Brazing temperature must be  $\gg 900-1200$  °C (operating temp.)

Brazing temperature must be  $< 1800$  °C  $\rightarrow$  Grain growth

Formation of brittle compounds cannot be tolerated

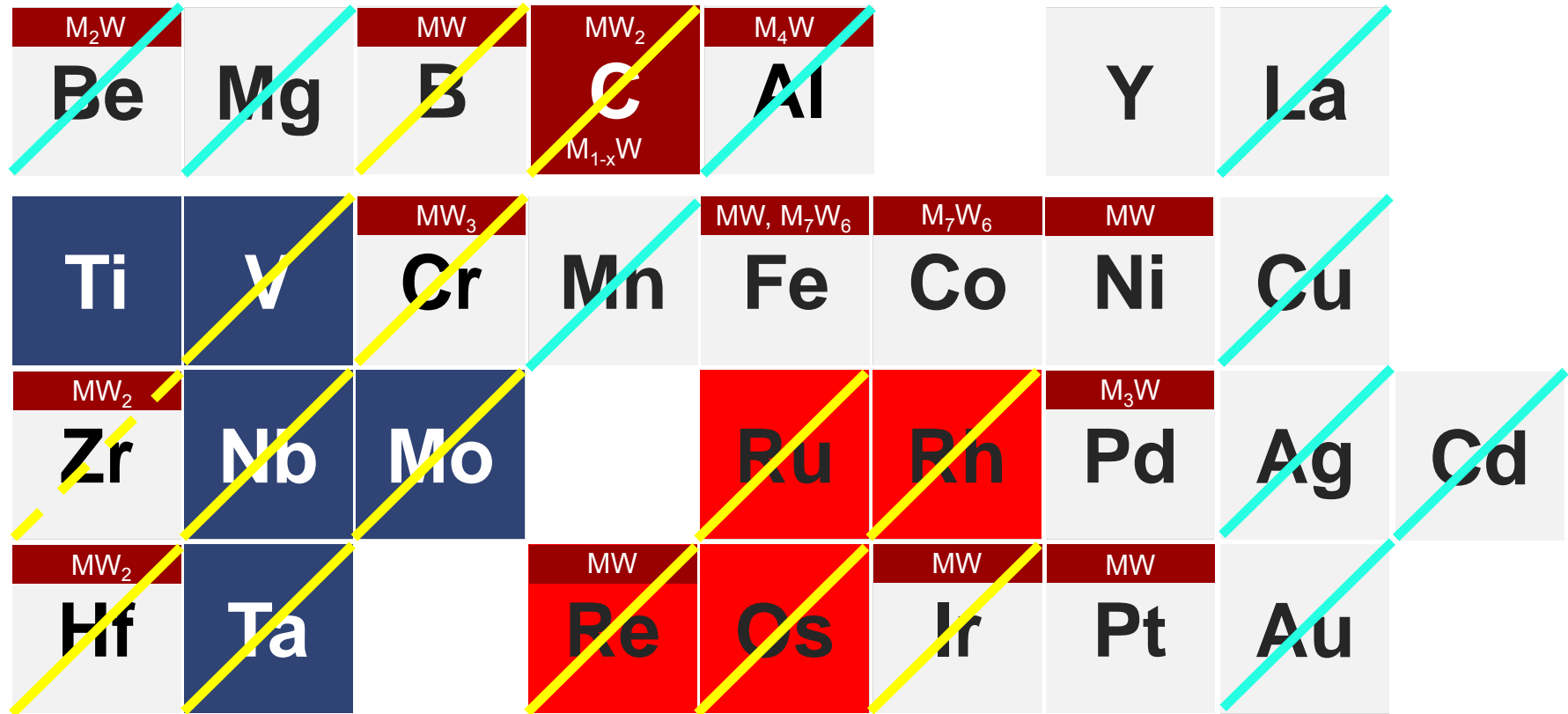
## Brazing Material for W-Steel Joints

Brazing temperature  $< 1100$  °C  $\rightarrow$  Grain growth (in steel)

Brazing temperature must be  $\gg 550-750$  °C (operating temp.)

Formation of brittle compounds cannot be tolerated

# BRAZING $W \rightarrow W$



W Insoluble

Intermetallic Phases


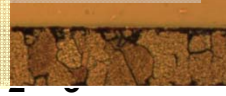


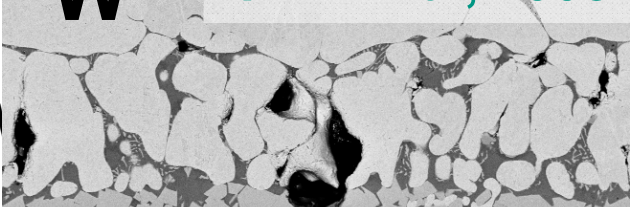
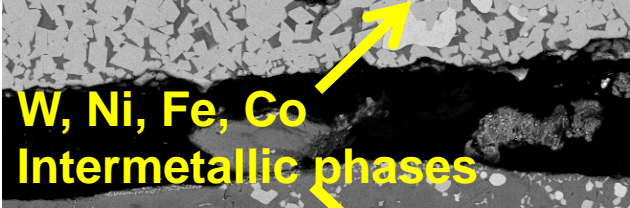
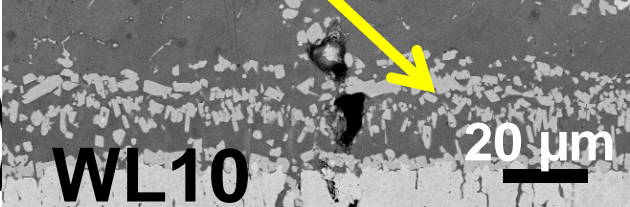
W Rich Line Compounds

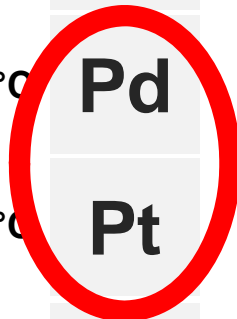
Solid Solution

$T_m > 1800^\circ$

$T_m < 1400^\circ$

# BRAZING MATERIALS, W → W

1670°C	<b>Ti</b>	<740°C: <b>Difficult, ... ?</b>		100 μm
1520°C	<b>Y</b>	Strong <1570°C: <b>Difficult, ... ?</b>		100 μm
1850°C	<b>Zr</b>	<2160°C: W → ZrW <1700°C: <b>Brittle Joint</b> <860°C: Zr → ZrW <sub>2</sub>		100 μm
1550°C	<b>Pd</b>	<1800°C: W → ZrW <900°C: intermetallic Pd <sub>3</sub> W ???		100 μm
1770°C	<b>Pt</b>	<2400°C: μ phase Pt <sub>3</sub> W		20 μm
1540°C	<b>Fe</b>	<1700°C: μ phase Fe <sub>7</sub> W <sub>6</sub> (Fe,W) <sub>4</sub> <1000°C: Laves phase Fe <sub>2</sub> W		20 μm
1500°C	<b>Co</b>	<1700°C: μ phase Co <sub>7</sub> W <sub>6</sub> (Co,W) <sub>4</sub> <1000°C: Laves phase Co <sub>3</sub> W		20 μm
1450°C	<b>Ni</b>	<1000°C: peritectoid intermetallics NiW <950°C: peritectoid intermetallic Ni <sub>4</sub> W		20 μm



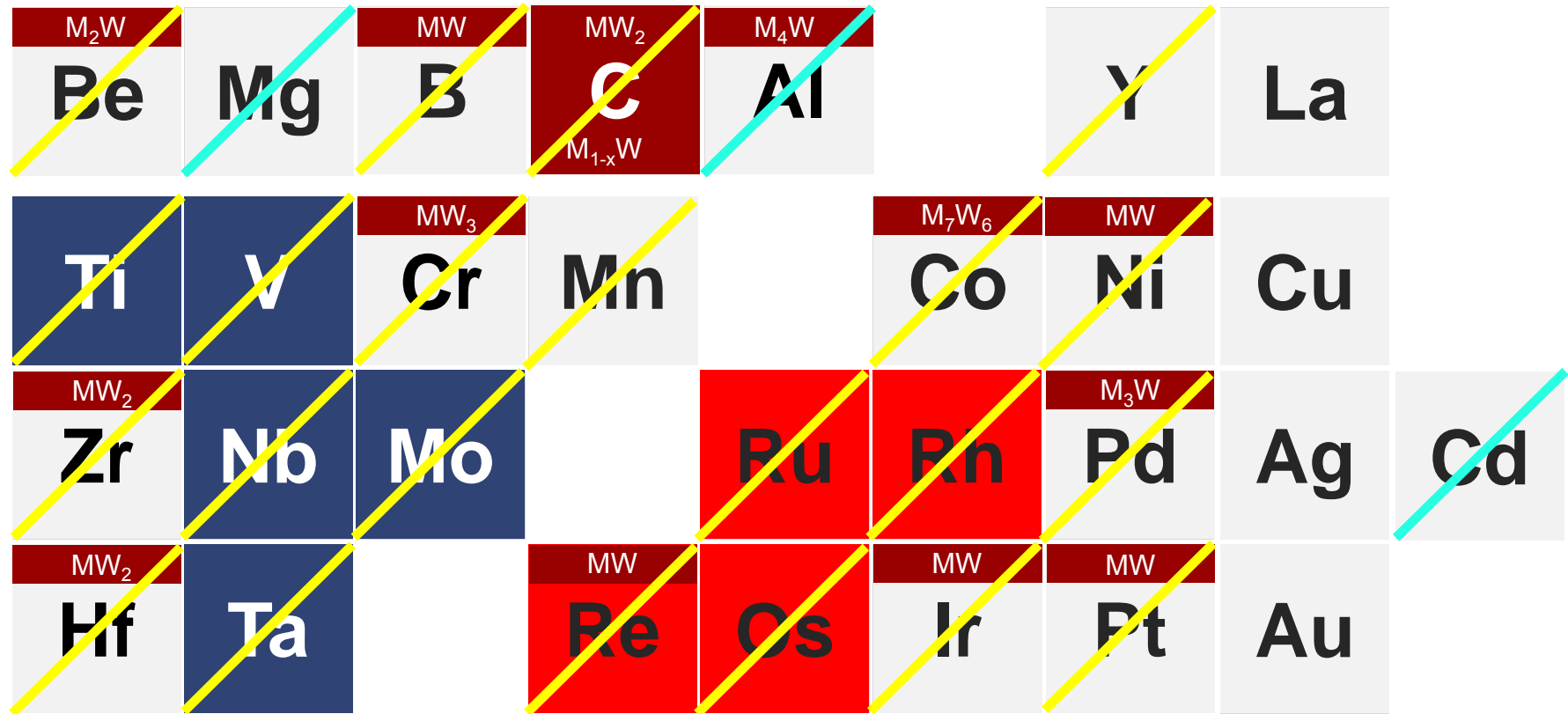
**Brittle Joints**

→ T. Hirai, 2008

W, Ni, Fe, Co  
Intermetallic phases

WL10

# BRAZING W → STEEL



W Insoluble

Intermetallic Phases

W Rich Line Compounds

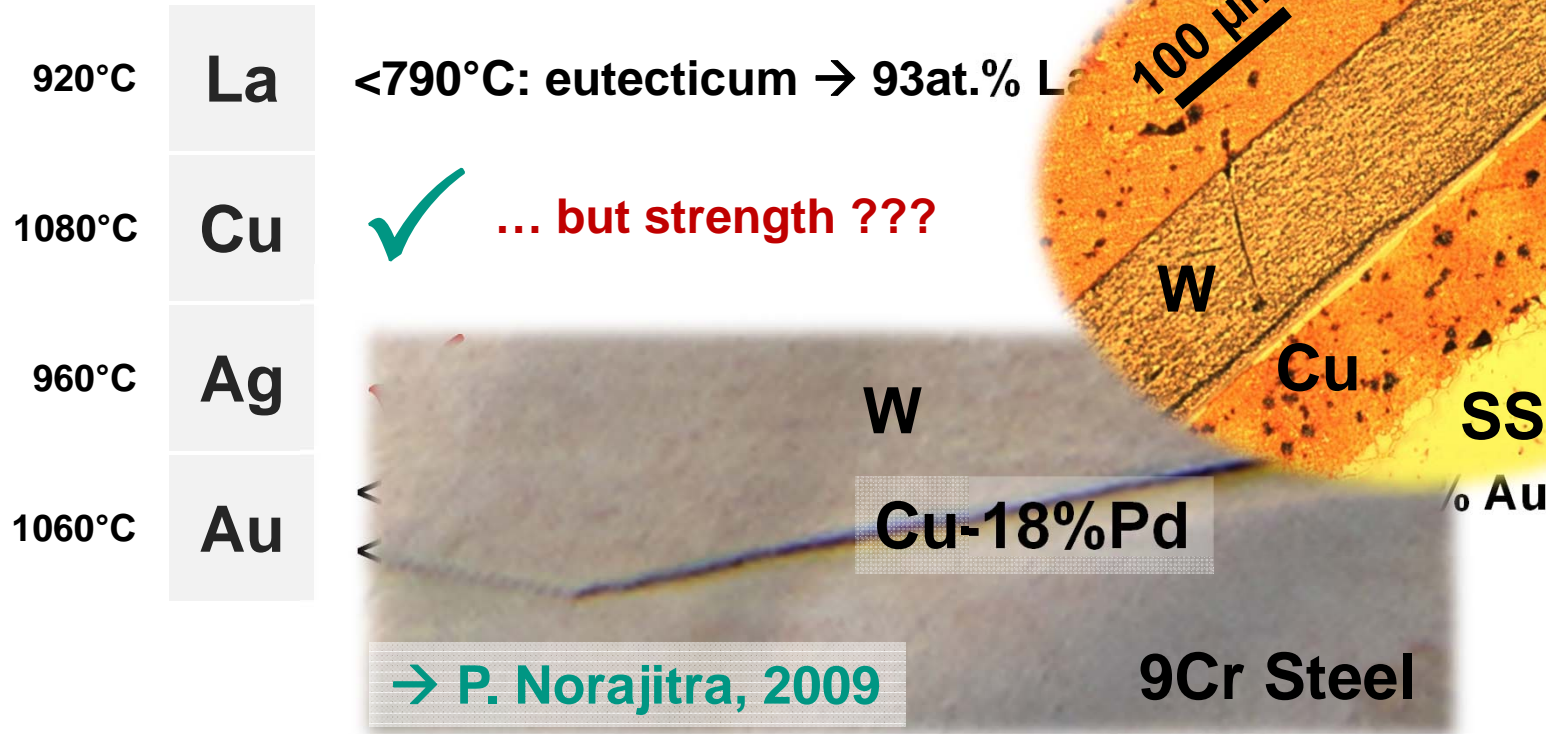
Solid Solution

$T_m > 1200^\circ$

$T_m < 900^\circ$

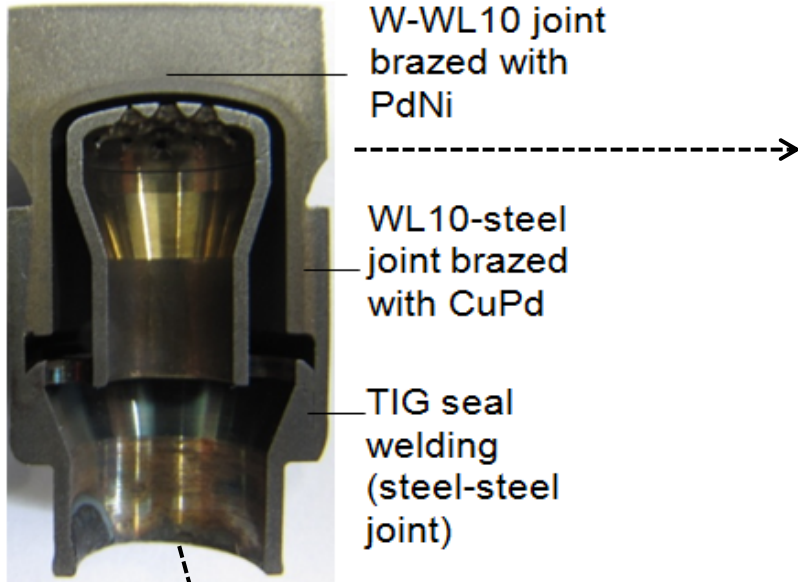
# BRAZING MATERIALS, W → STEEL

→ J. Reiser, 2011



**CONCLUSION: Copper has to be used as sealing rather than as a braze material !!!**

# ASSEMBLY & TESTING



## 1-finger modules



**9-finger module (W) for high heat flux (HHF) tests in Efremov**

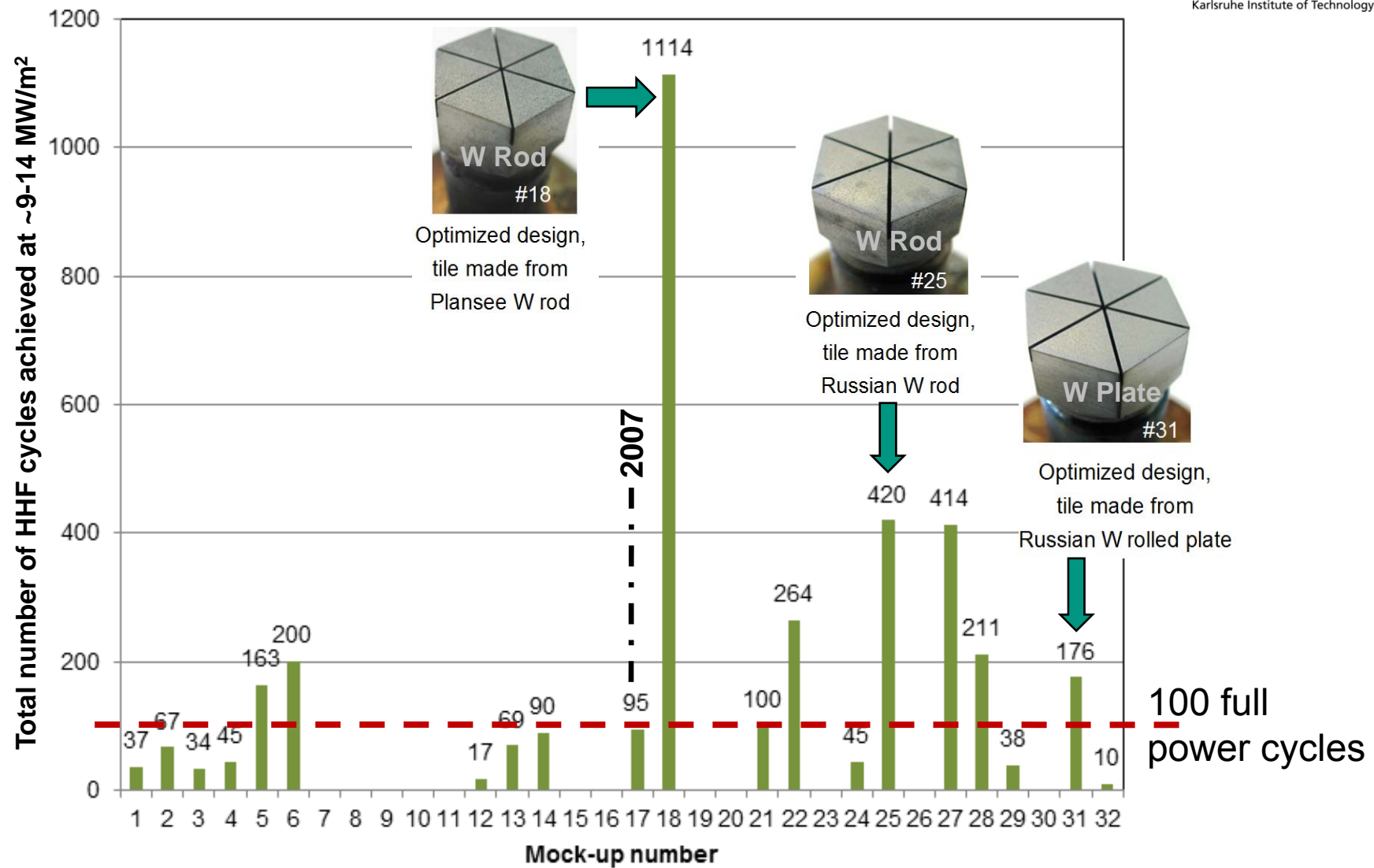


**9-finger module (brass) for non-destructive examination (NDE) with SATIR at CEA**

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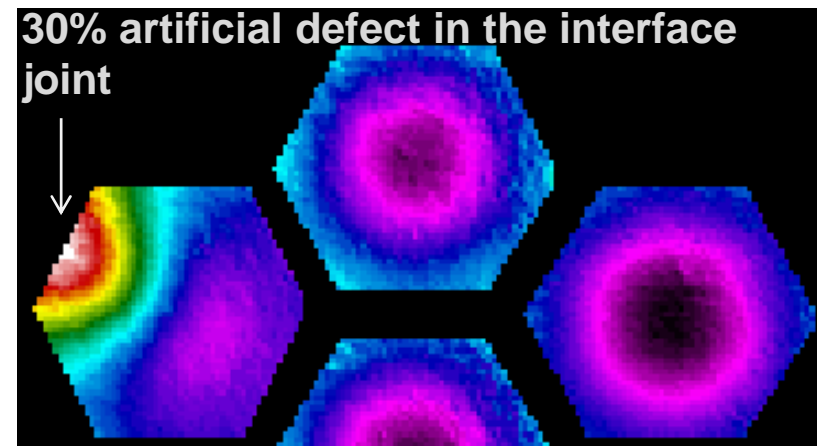
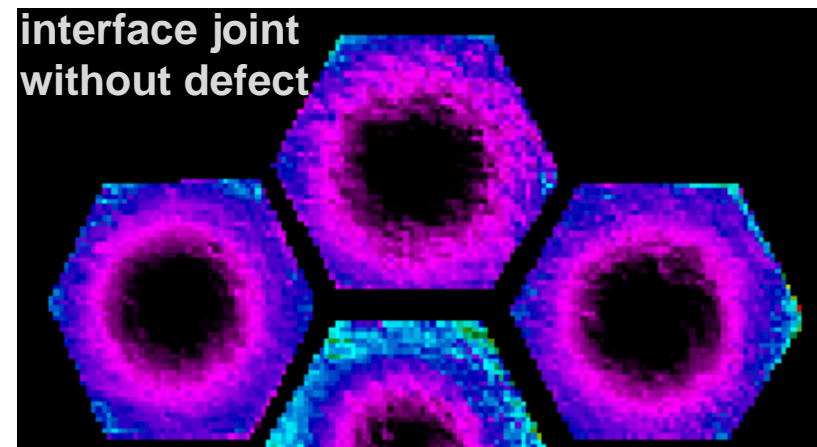
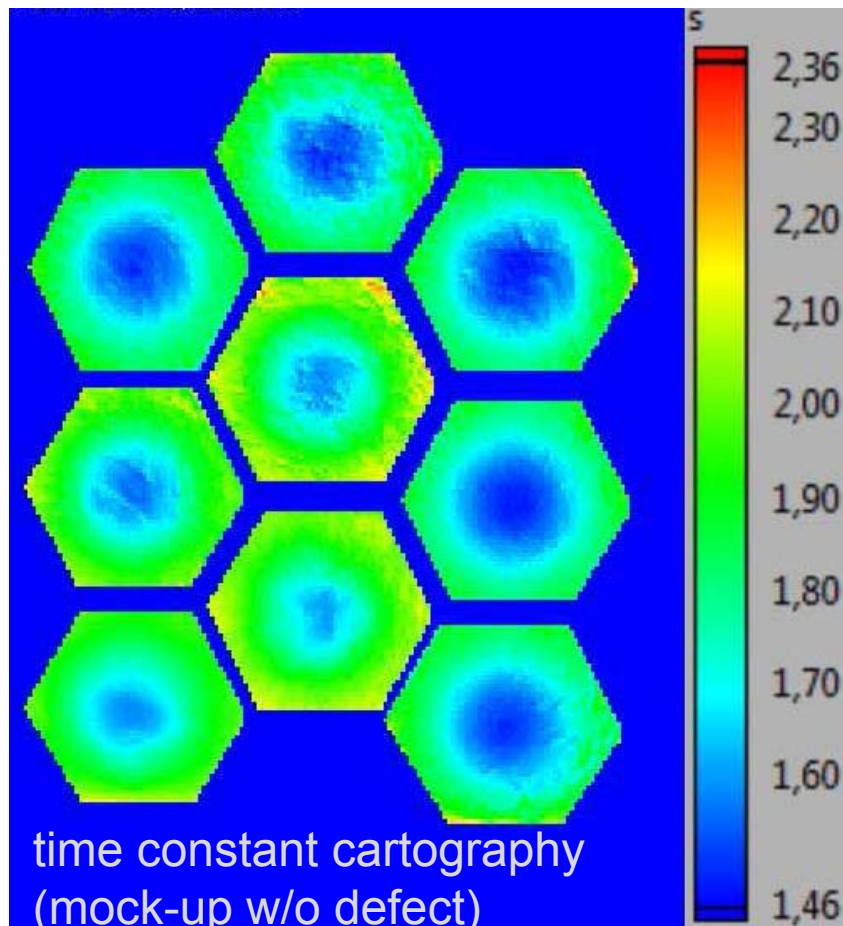
# HIGH HEAT FLUX TESTS WITH 1-FINGER MODULES



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# NON-DESTRUCTIVE EXAMINATION

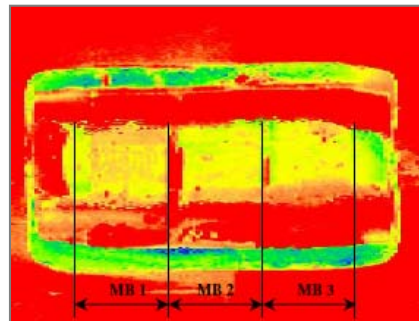
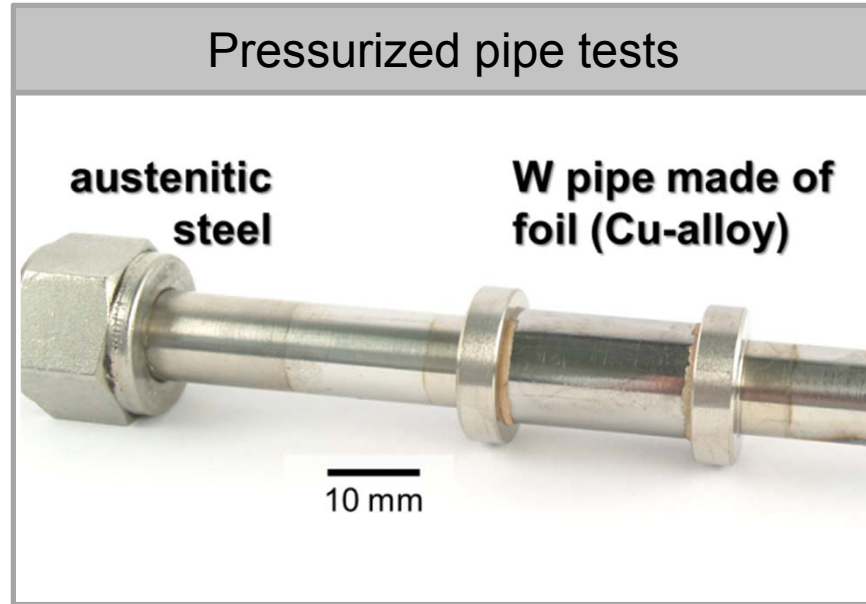
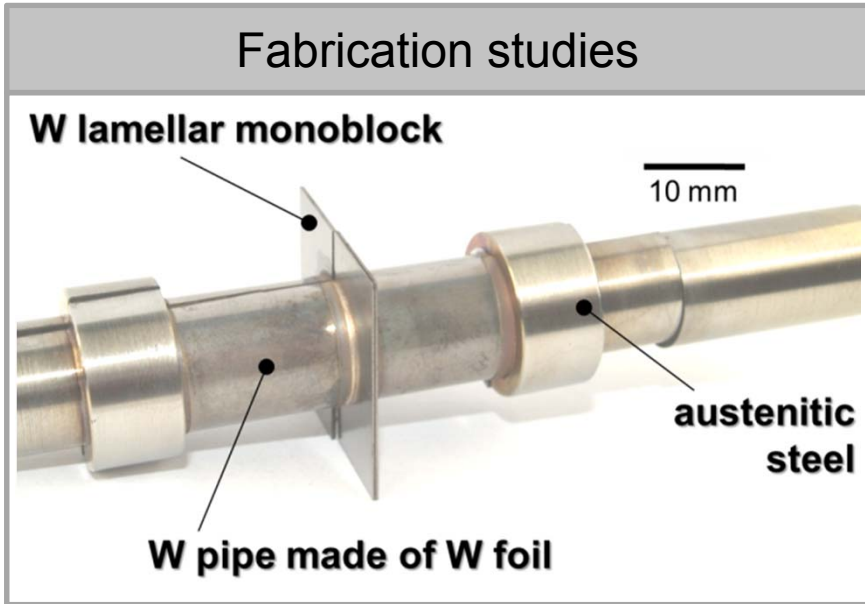
Infrared thermography in the SATIR facility at CEA



Homogeneous thermal response for each finger and between fingers

M. Richou, CEA

# W LAMINATE PIPE TESTING

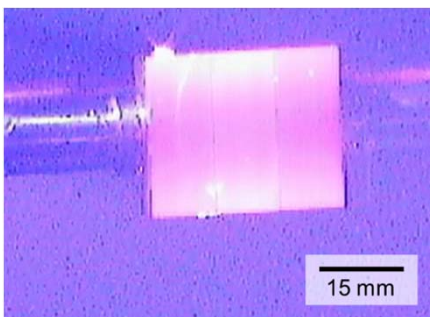
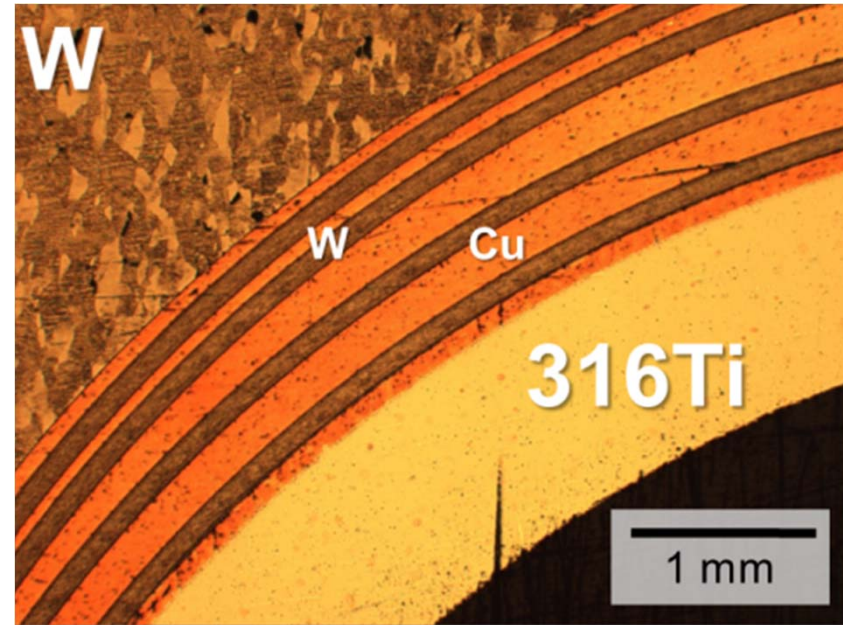
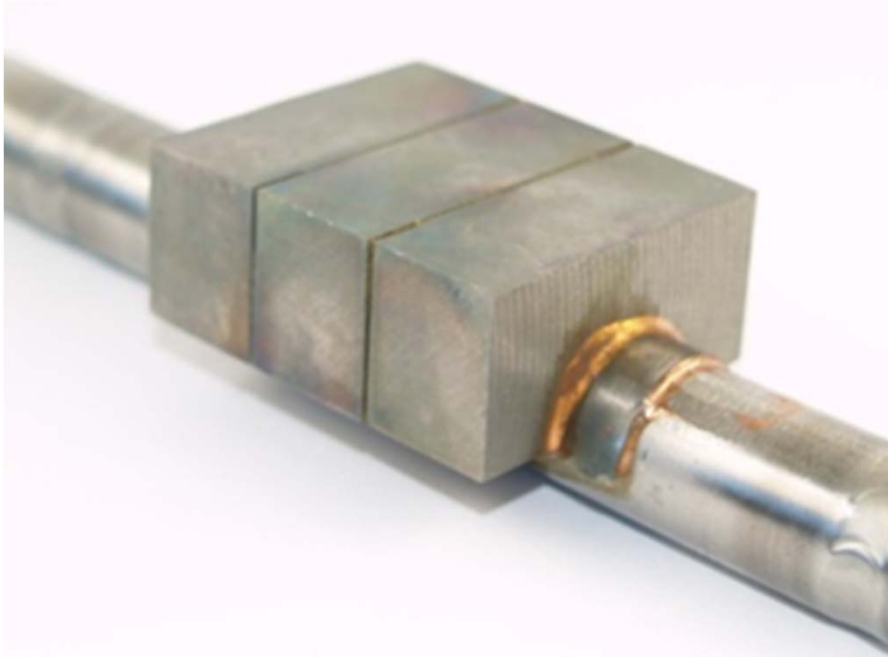


non-destructive testing,  
PLANSEE SE



GLADIS, IPP, Garching

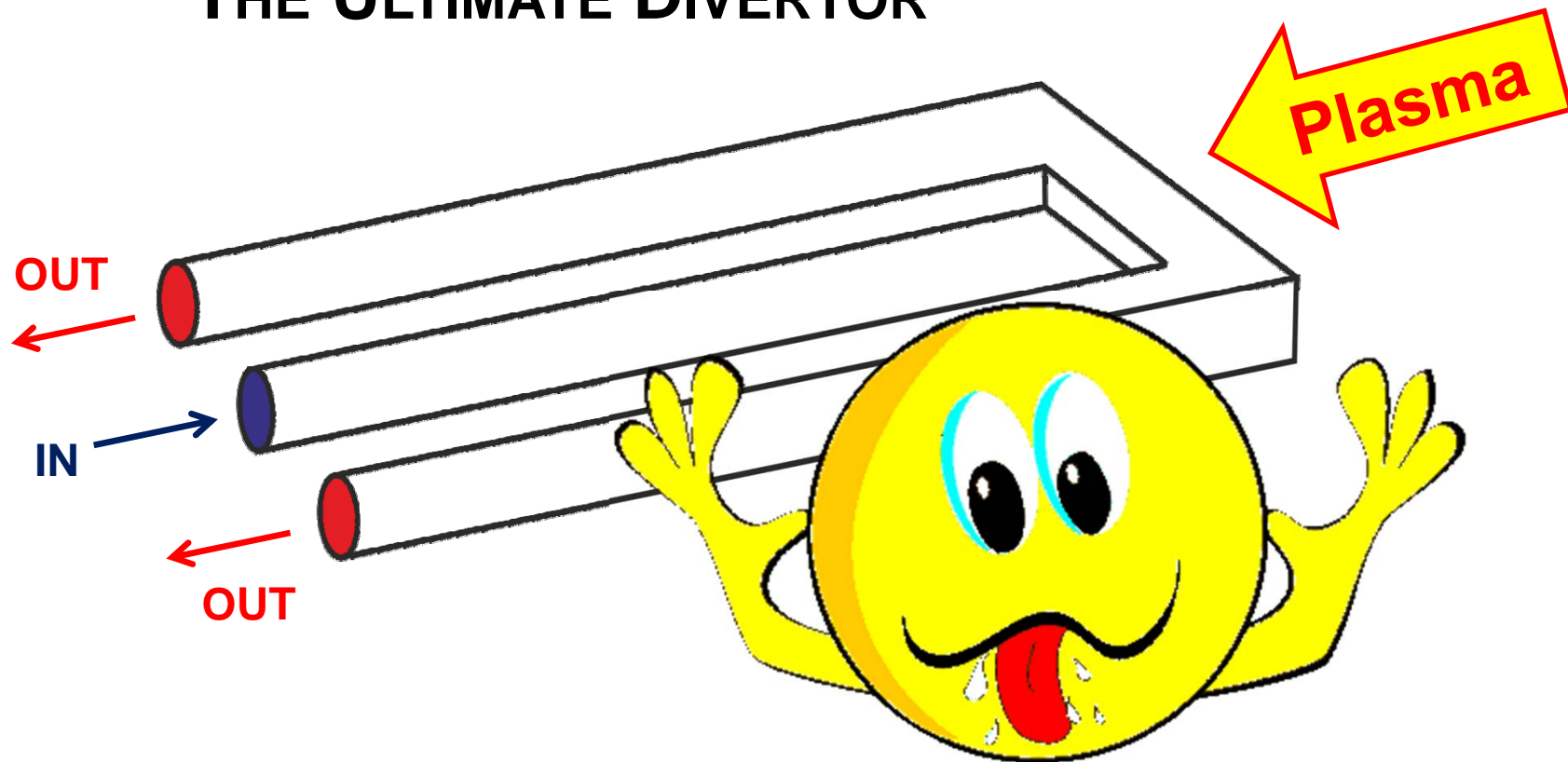
# KEY EXPERIMENT FOR WATER COOLING



Greuner (IPP), Böswirth (IPP), Reiser (KIT), 2012

- HHF tests, GLADIS, IPP:
  - water: RT, 10 m/s, 1.13 l/s
  - beam: 20 s on / 40 s off
  - heat flux: 6 MW/m<sup>2</sup>
- **result after 100 cycles:  
no residual damage**

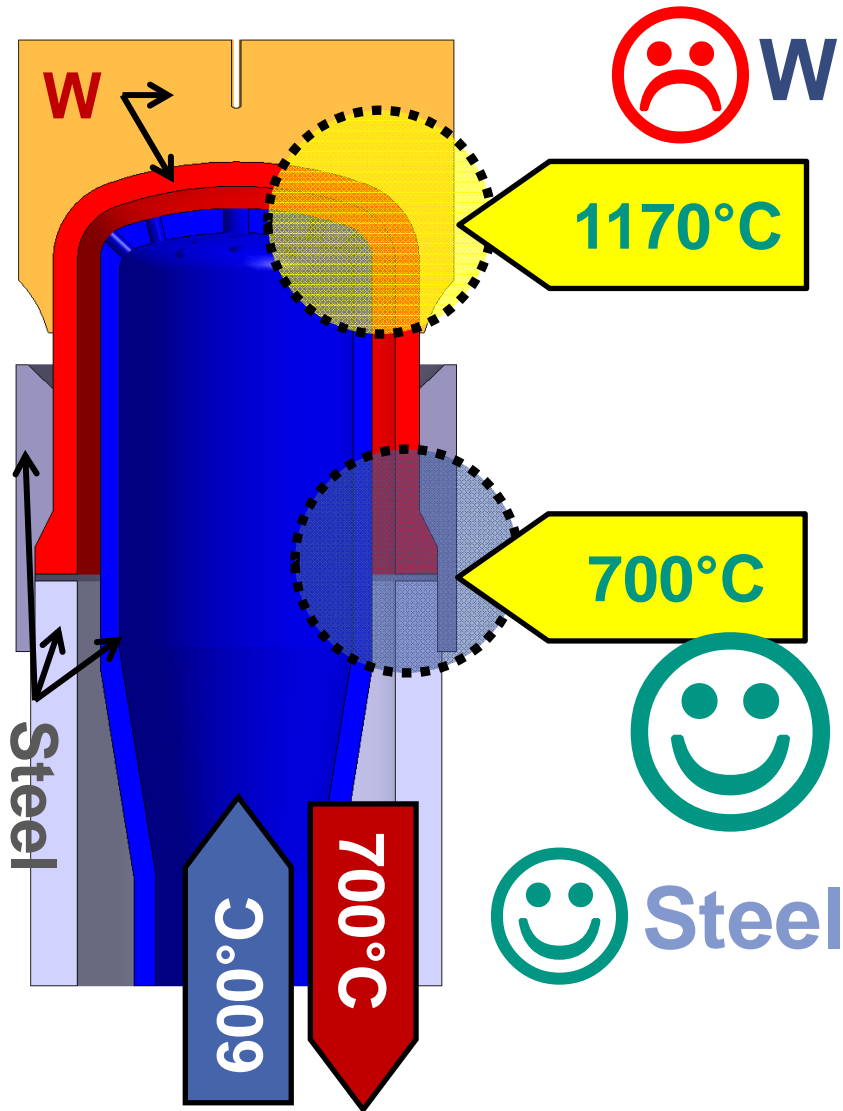
## THE ULTIMATE DIVERTOR



### DESIGN ASSESSMENT & CONCLUSIONS

- Assess the three helium cooled divertor concepts (finger, plate, pipe design studies) w.r.t. to swelling, embrittlement, and strength of the used structural materials. Assess also the joints needed in each design.
- Prepare conclusions for the necessary future steps in R&D for each divertor concept.
- Propose possibilities to increase the thermal efficiency of the design used in the “key experiment for a water cooled divertor”. Or propose better WC DEMO divertor concepts.

# MATERIALS / DESIGN WINDOW → FINGER



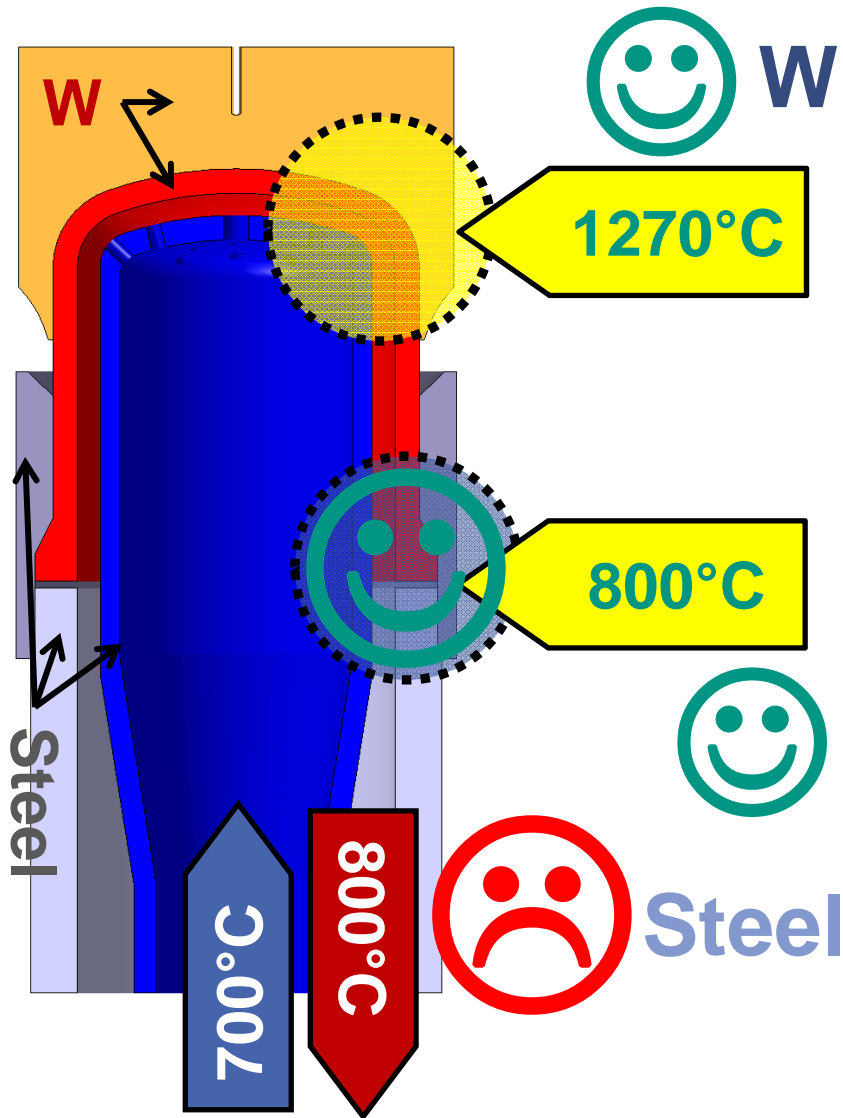
Oxidation	→	OK
Swelling ~3%	→	?
Embrittlement	→	OK
Grain Growth	→	? (ODS)

Swelling ~5%	→	?
Embrittlement	→	<b>NO GO (?)</b>

Brazing (Cu)	→	OK (...)
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Embrittlement	→	OK
Strength, ...	→	? ( <b>ODS</b> )

# MATERIALS / DESIGN WINDOW → FINGER



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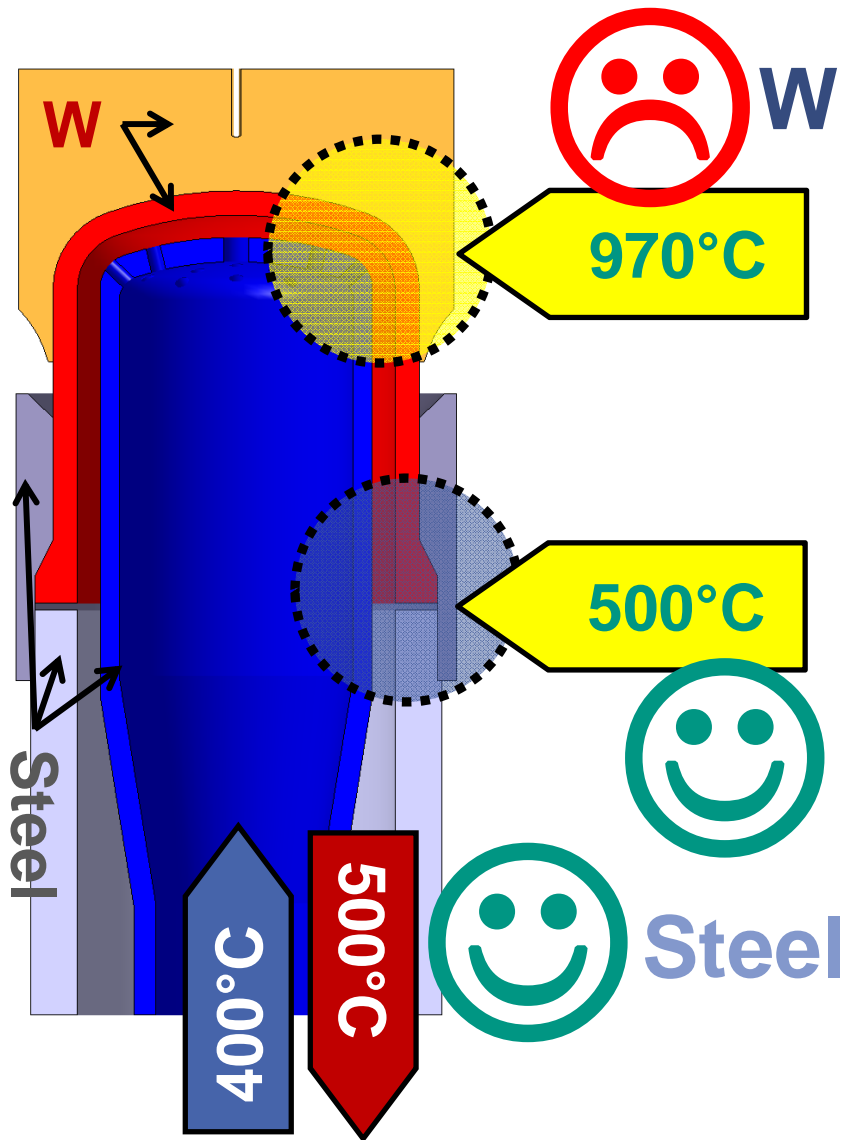
Swelling ~5%	→	?
Embrittlement	→	OK (tbc)

Brazing (Cu)	→	OK (...)
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Embrittlement	→	OK
Strength, ...	→	ODS ???



# MATERIALS / DESIGN WINDOW → FINGER



Oxidation	→	OK
Swelling <3%	→	OK (?)
Embrittlement	→	OK
Grain Growth	→	OK
Swelling <2%	→	OK (?)
Embrittlement	→	<b>NO GO</b>
Brazing (Cu)	→	OK (...)
Embrittlement	→	OK
Strength, ...	→	OK

# LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE HEMJ DEVELOPMENT

- Efficient He cooling operation **requires W as a structural material** to allow for sufficiently high operating temperatures.
- A **small-size multi-component approach** is needed to reach an acceptable low thermal stress distribution level.
- Mastering heat fluxes in the order of  $10 \text{ MW/m}^2$  for long periods is only possible by **jet impingement** cooling.
- There is still **no structural W material available** which meets all design requirements. Tungsten composite materials might be the key for alternative designs.
- It is known that all tungsten based materials will suffer from additional **embrittlement under neutron irradiation**. **To what extend and under which conditions (irradiation temperature, dose, neutron spectrum) is not exactly known yet.**

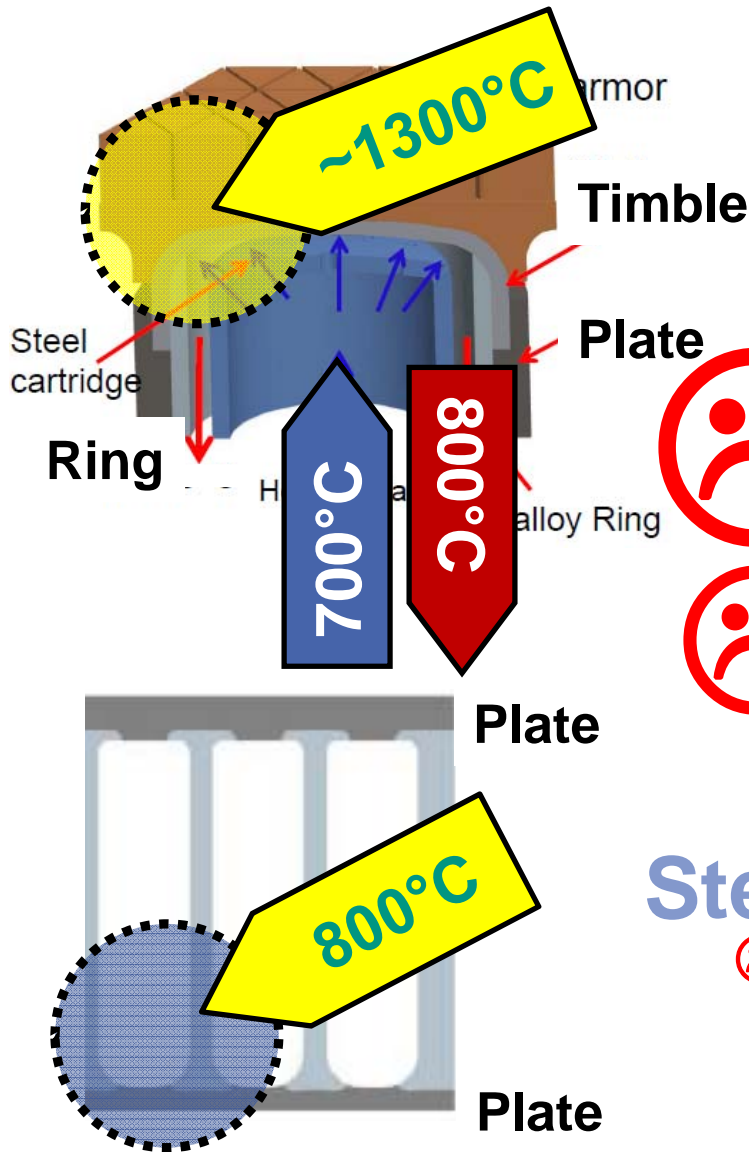
# CONCLUSIONS FOR THE HEMJ DEVELOPMENT



Based on present knowledge on neutron-induced embrittlement of tungsten, an operating temperature of **at least 800 °C** is strongly recommended to mitigate the risk of embrittlement. For the HEMJ concept the upper **limit is 700 °C**, that is, embrittlement of some of the structural subcomponents (e.g. thimbles) has to be partially tolerated.

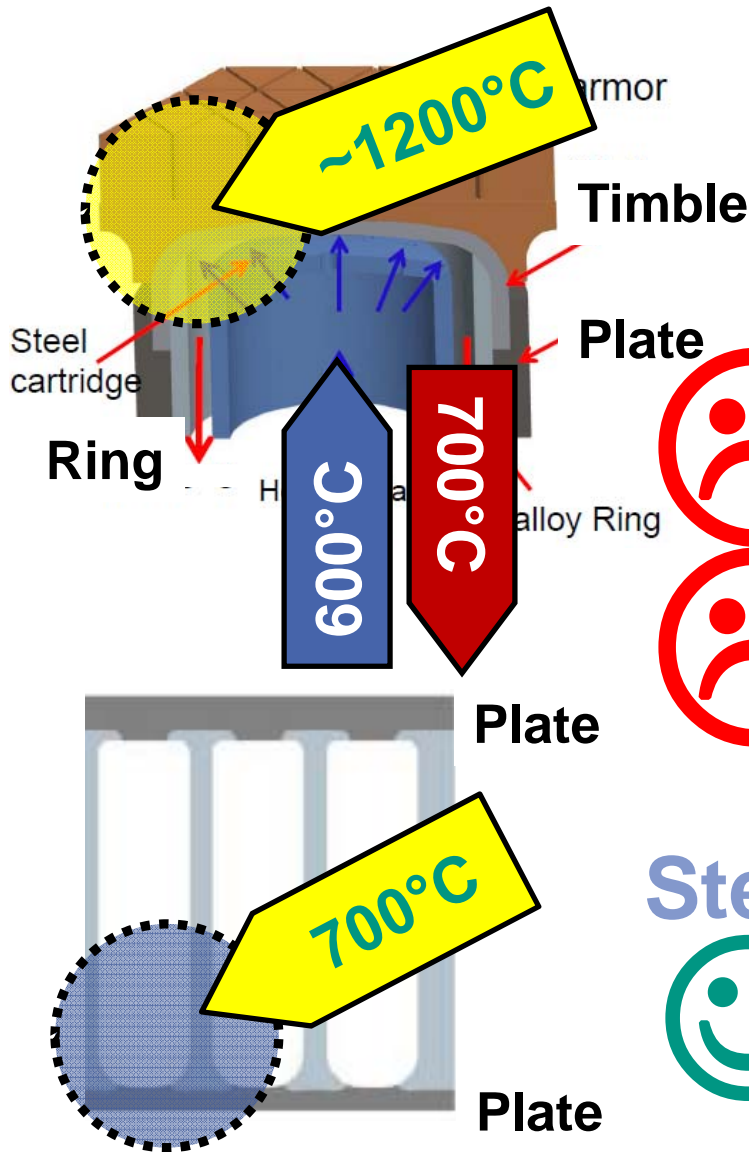
- Development of design rules for brittle materials
- Risk/failure assessment of multi-component design
- Design studies to reduce risk of leaks and their consequences (e.g. possible use of double walled parts)
- Demonstration of a commercial (mass-) fabrication route
- Determination of the HEMJ performance with a consistent finger test campaign

# MATERIALS / DESIGN WINDOW → PLATE



<b>W</b>	Oxidation →	OK
	Swelling ~3% →	???
	Embrittlement →	OK
	Grain Growth →	ODS
☹️	Brazing W→W →	Pd, Pt ???
	Swelling ~5% →	?????
☹️	Embrittlement →	OK (tbc)
	<b>Steel</b>	
☹️	Embrittlement →	OK
	Strength, ... →	(OK)?

# MATERIALS / DESIGN WINDOW → PLATE

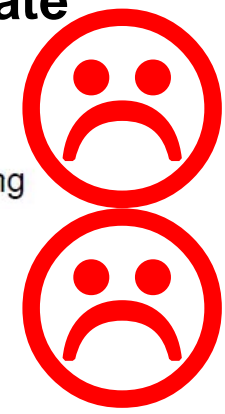


**W**

Oxidation	→	OK
Swelling ~3%	→	???
Embrittlement	→	OK
Grain Growth	→	? (ODS)

Brazing W→W	→	Pd, Pt ???
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Swelling ~5%	→	?????
Embrittlement	→	NO GO (?)



**Steel**

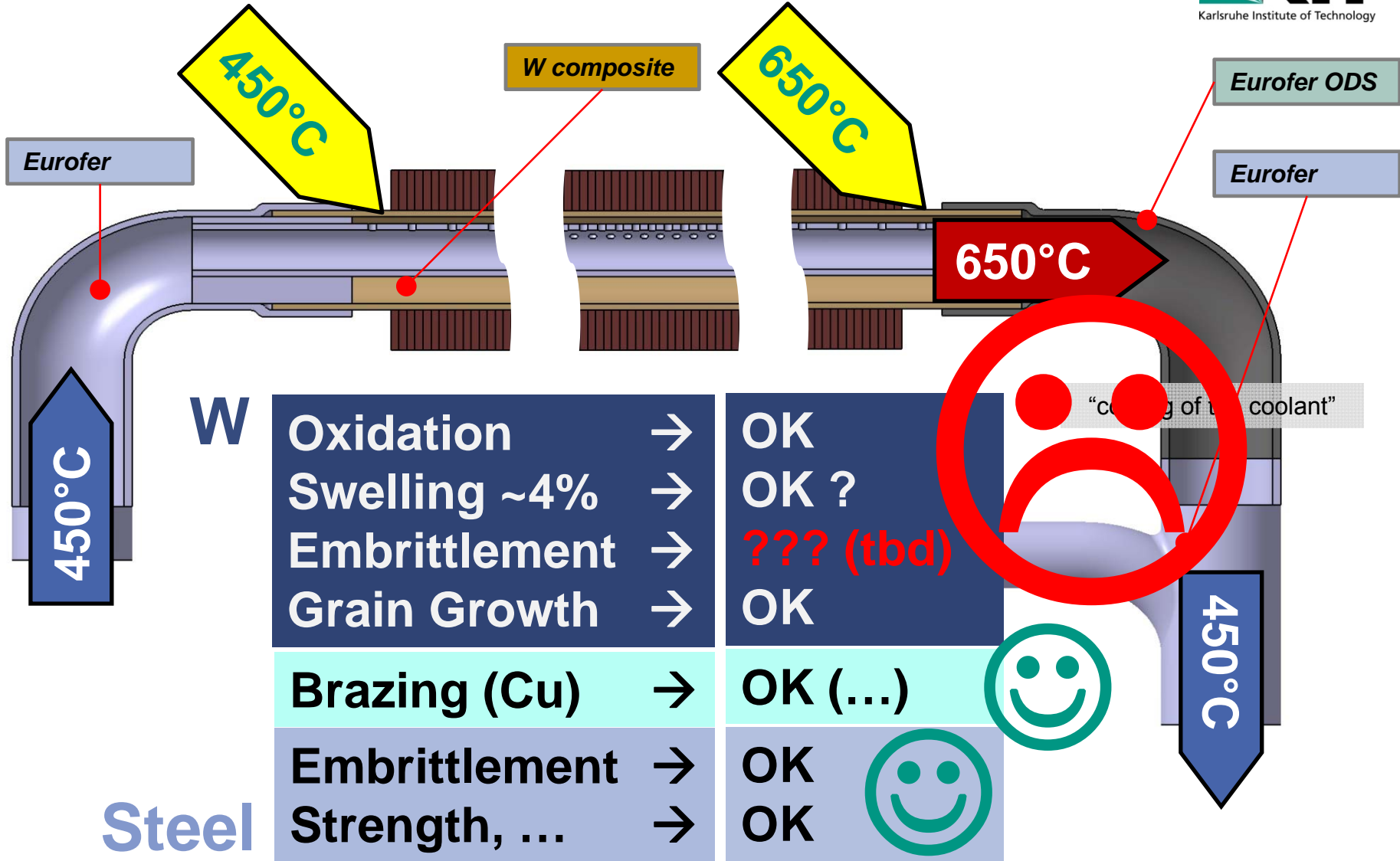
Embrittlement	→	OK
Strength, ...	→	OK

# CONCLUSIONS FOR THE PLATE DESIGN

Based on present knowledge on neutron-induced embrittlement of tungsten, an operating temperature of **at least 800 °C** is strongly recommended to mitigate the risk of embrittlement. For this concept there is **no temperature limit**. That is, embrittlement of the structural subcomponents (e.g. thimbles) could (in principle) ruled out.

- Structural integrity of rather long joints (brazing technology)
- Design studies to reduce risk of leaks and their consequences (e.g. possible use of double walled parts)
- The required high temperature cooling loop is a technological challenge!

# MATERIALS / DESIGN WINDOW → PIPE



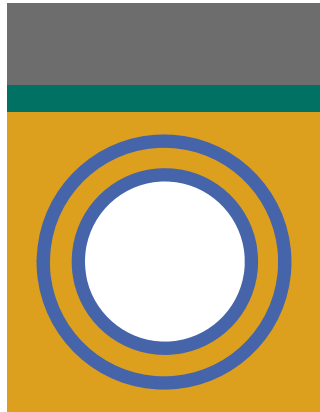
# CONCLUSIONS FOR THE PIPE DESIGN

Based on present knowledge on neutron-induced embrittlement of tungsten, an operating temperature of **at least 800 °C** is strongly recommended to mitigate the risk of embrittlement. For this concept the upper **limit is 650 °C**.

- Irradiation data needed to confirm assumed material behaviour
- Material optimization (laminated components & bonding process)
- Fabrication route for long pipes
- Performance tests under high heat flux

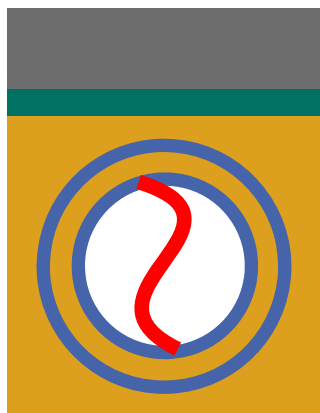


# IMPROVEMENT OF THE ITER DIVERTOR



W armour  
 Cu-W transition  
 CuCrZr  
 Stainless Steel,  
 or other reinforcement  
 (fibers, meshes, particles)

- De-couple armour and structure
- Reinforce cooling structure
- Double containment



**Swirl or flow promoter  
 to increase thermal  
 transfer coefficient**

