

# FRACTURE BEHAVIOUR OF TUNGSTEN MATERIALS

DEPENDING ON MICROSTRUCTURE  
AND SURFACE FABRICATION

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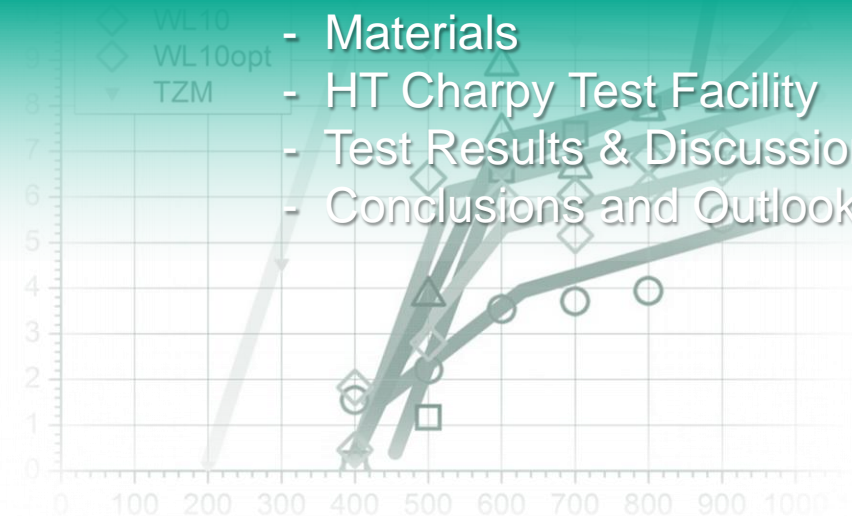


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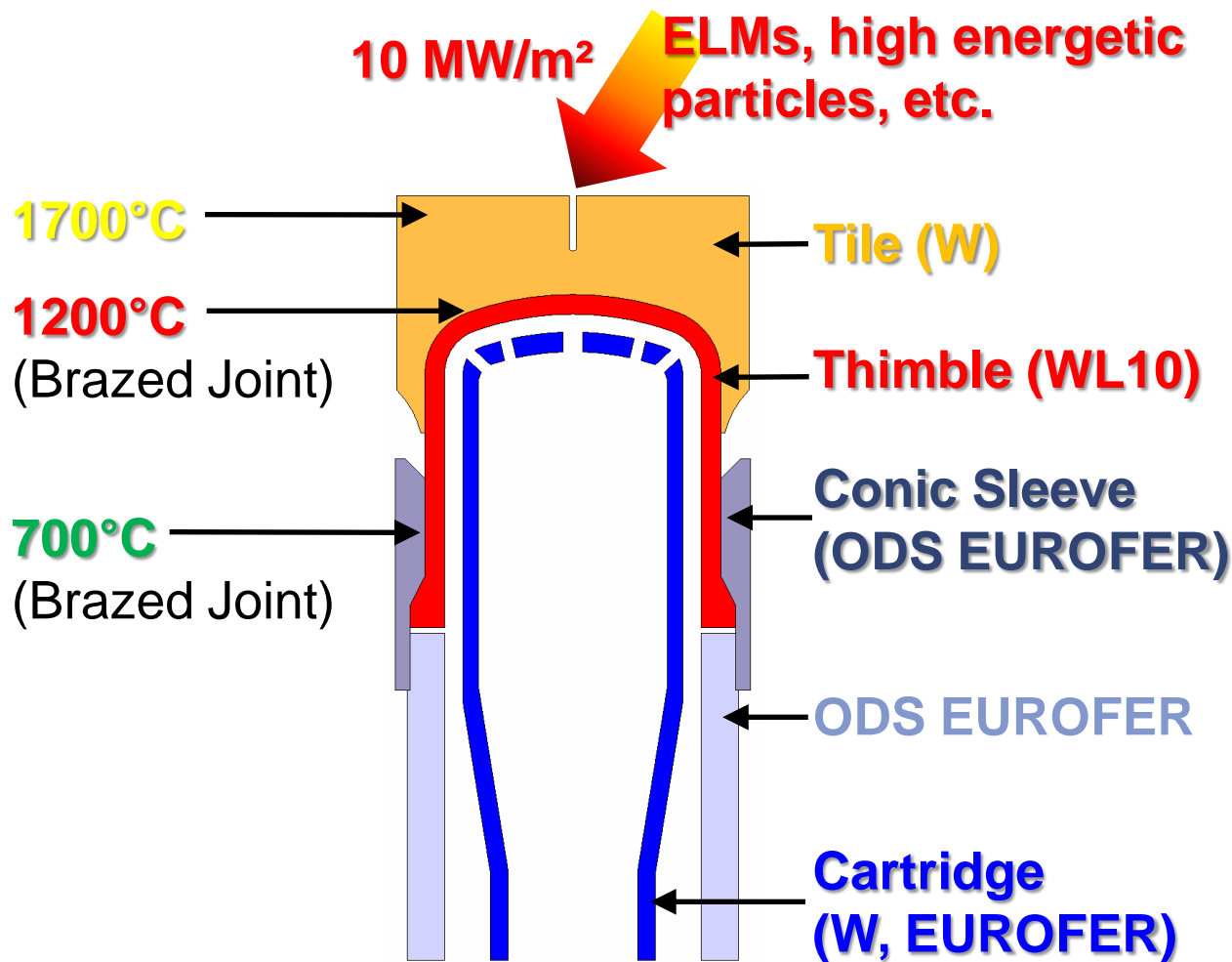


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# Overview, DEMO Divertor Design



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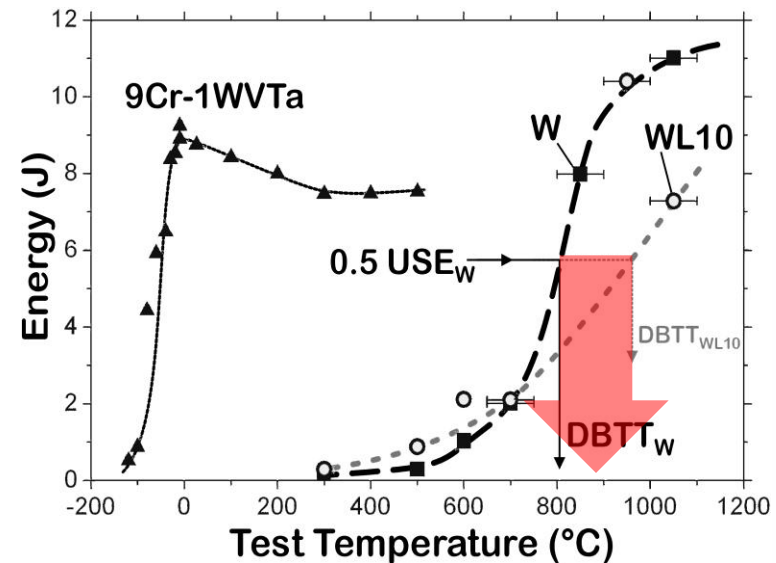
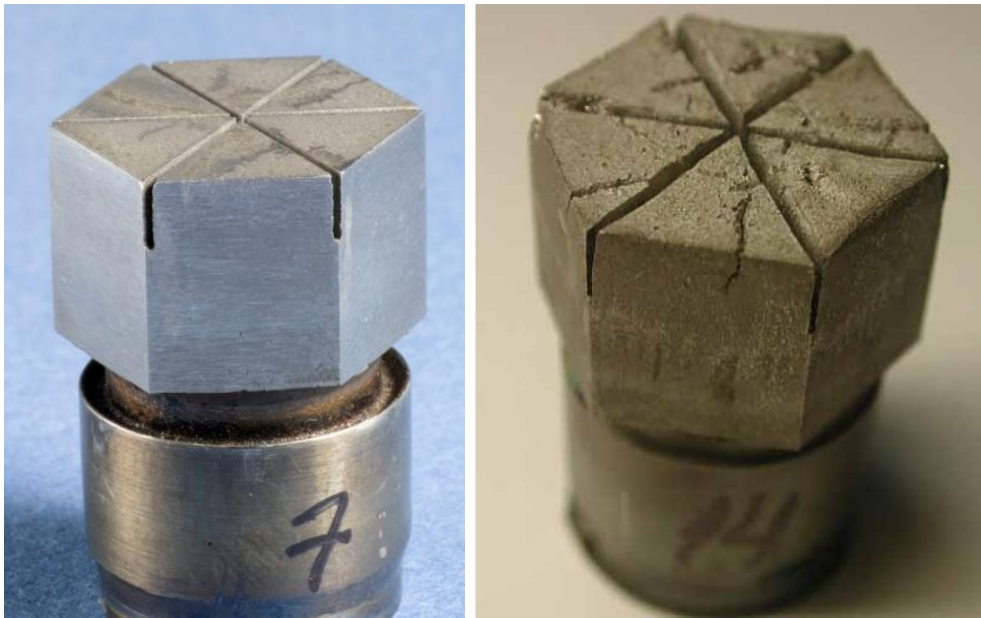
# Motivation, Testing Method

## Fracturing

- thermal load
- mechanical load ←
- manufacturing ←
- maintenance events

## Charpy Test

- DIN EU ISO 148-1, ...
- 3 mm x 4 mm x 27 mm
- notch depth 1 mm
- span 22 mm



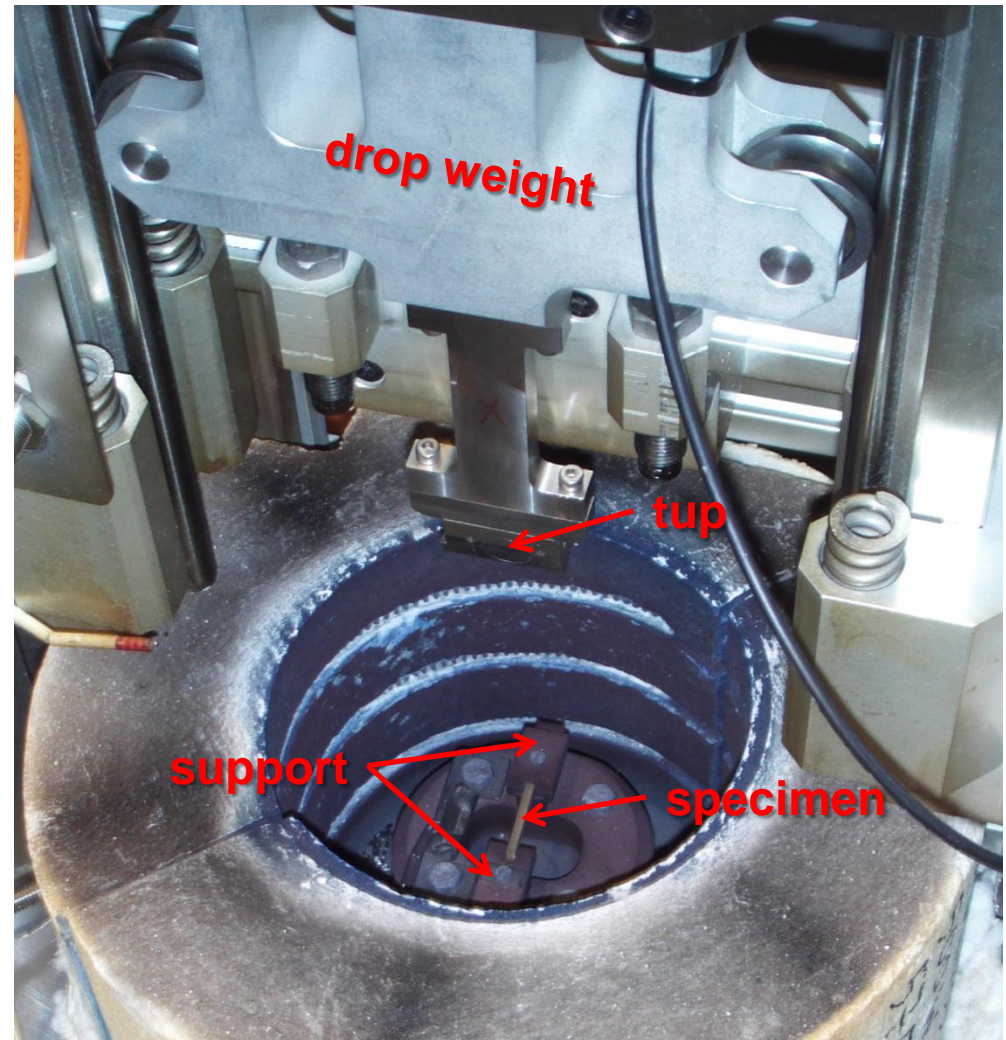
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# High Temperature Charpy Tests



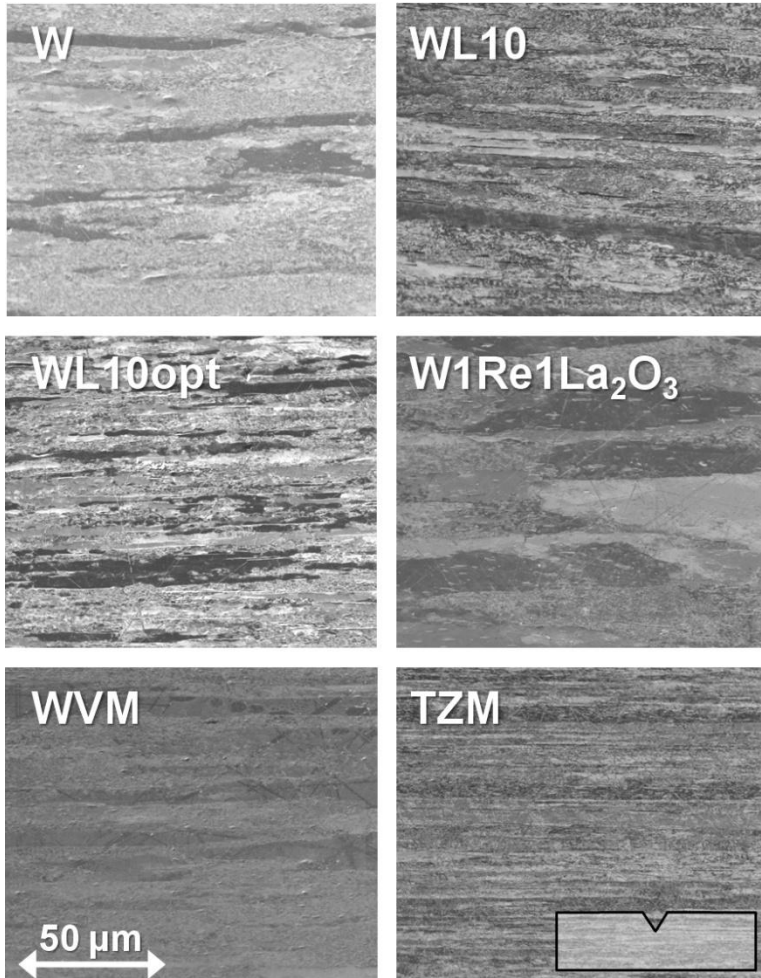
drop weight design, vacuum vessel



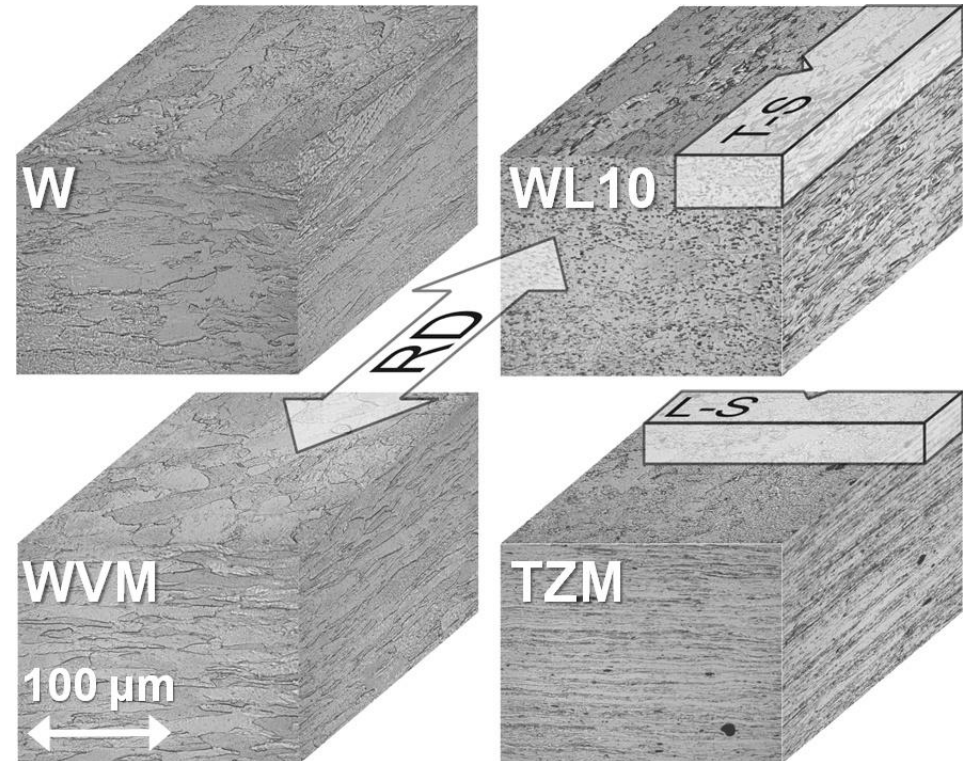
opened furnace: view on support

# Materials, Rolling Texture

## 6 RODS



## 4 PLATES

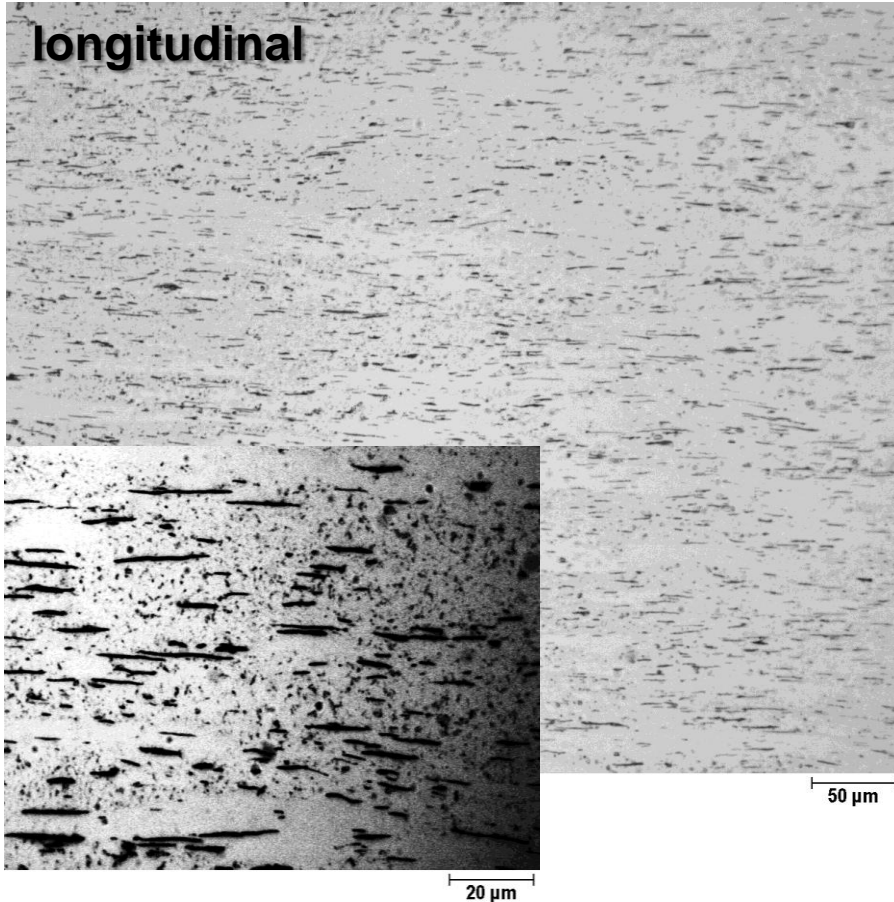


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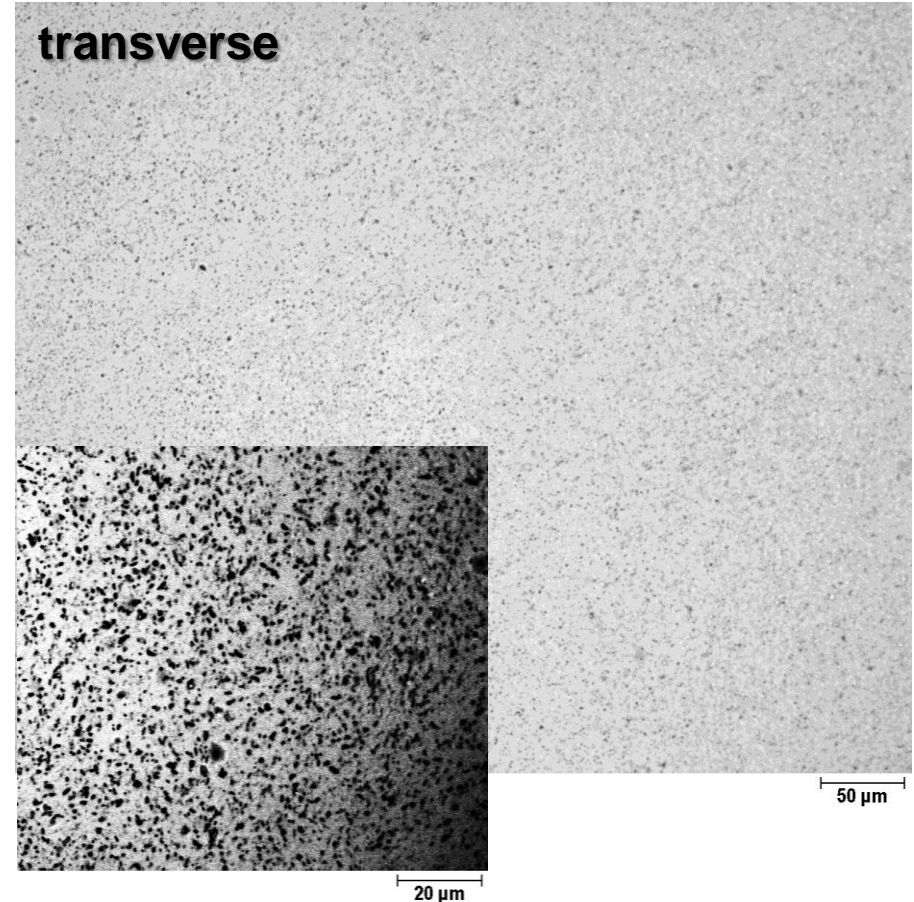
WL10 Rod,  $\varnothing 7$  mm



longitudinal



transverse

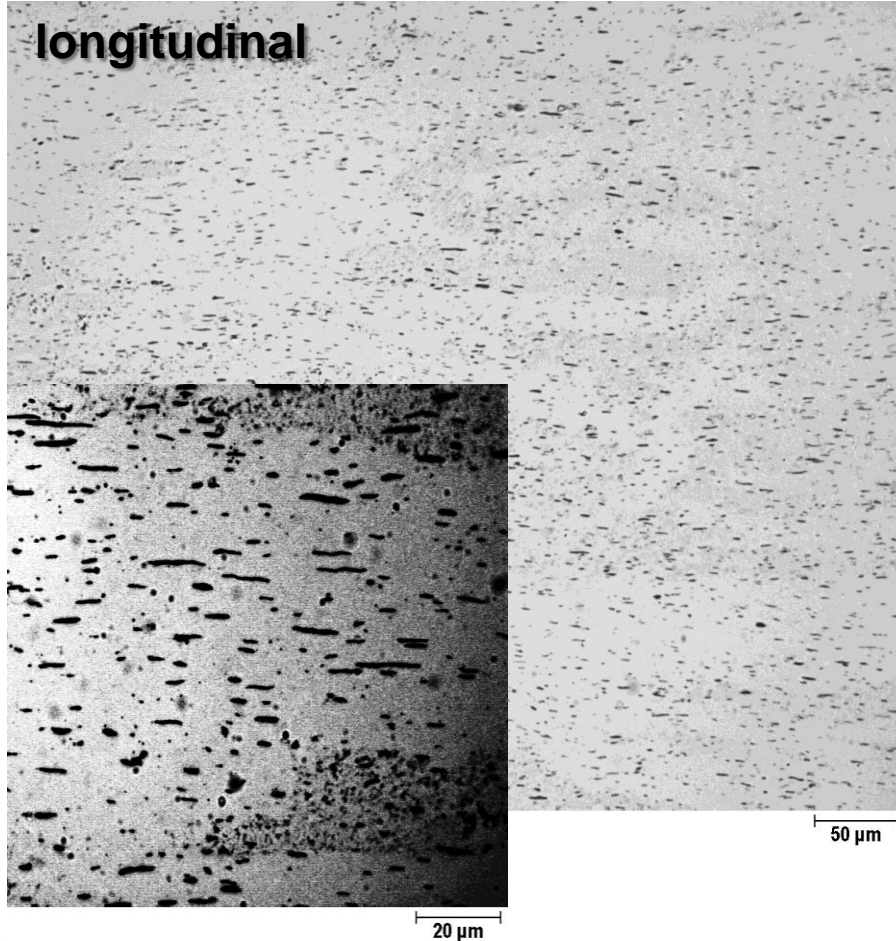


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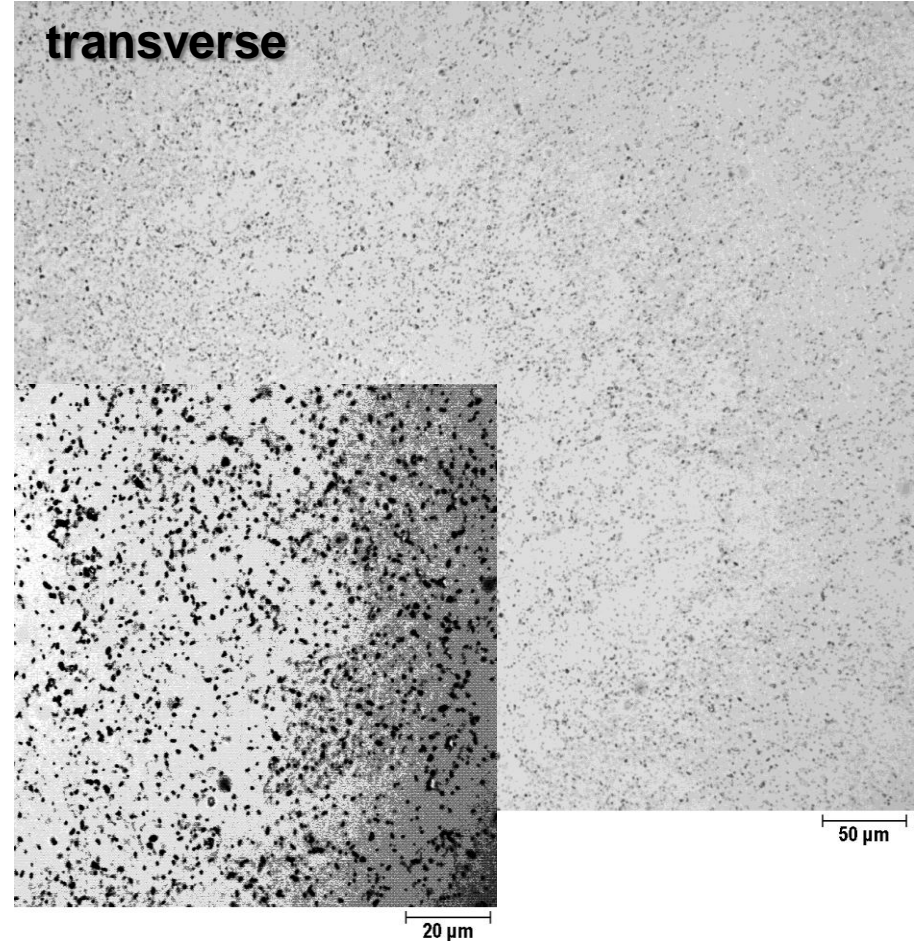
W-1%Re-1%La<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Rod, Ø10 mm



longitudinal

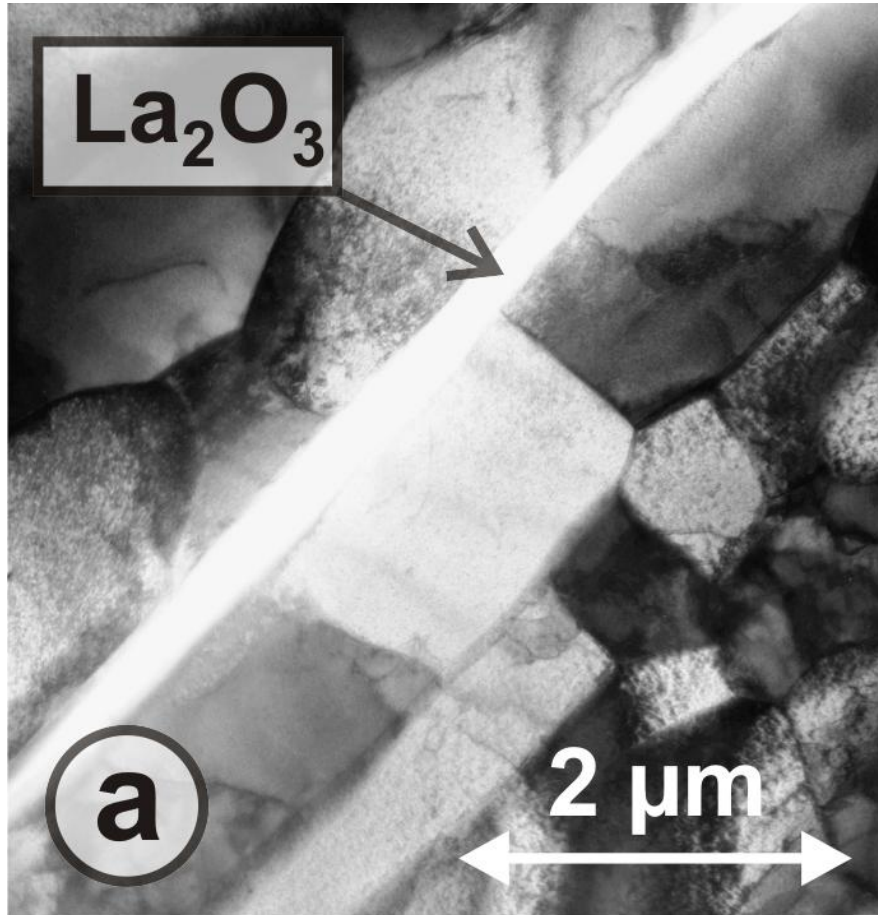


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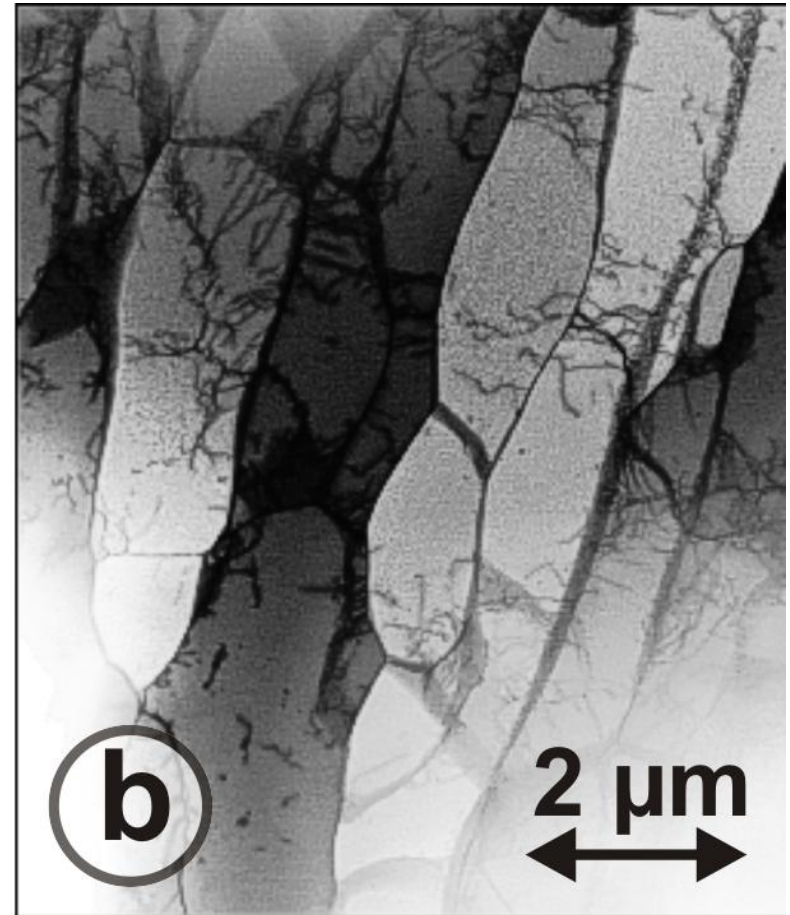


# TEM Analysis

WL10 Rod, Ø7 mm

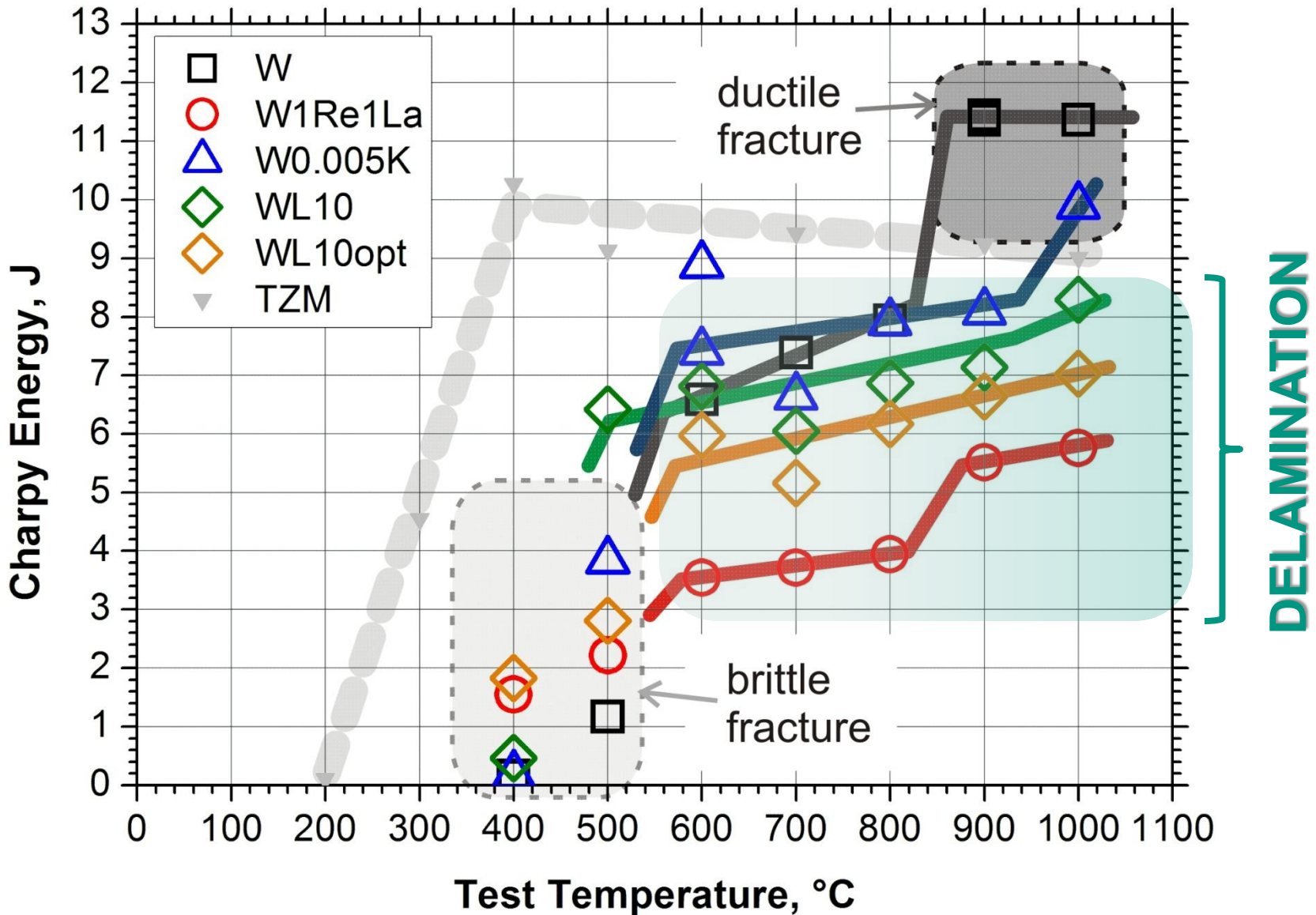


W Rod, Ø7 mm

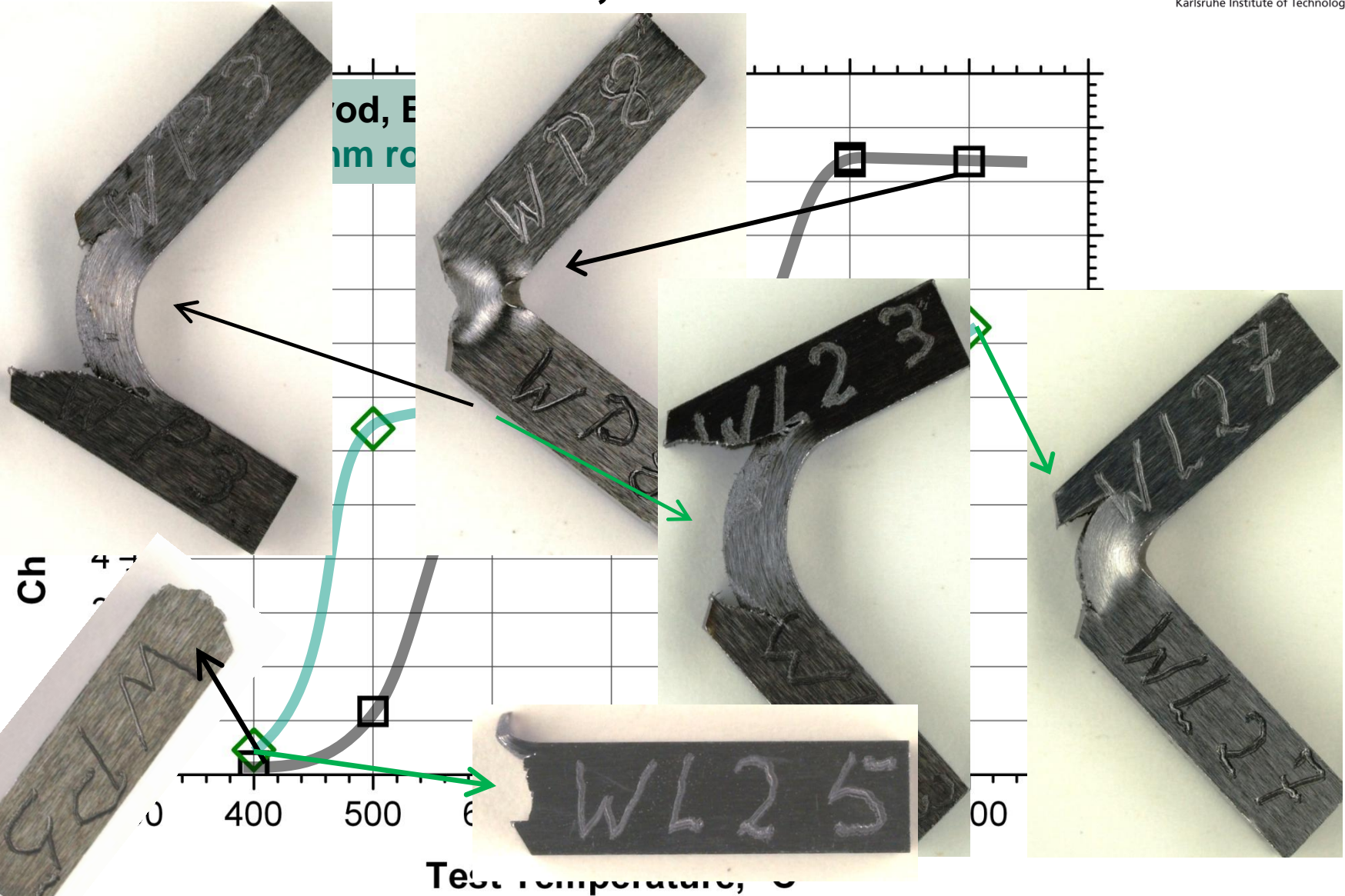




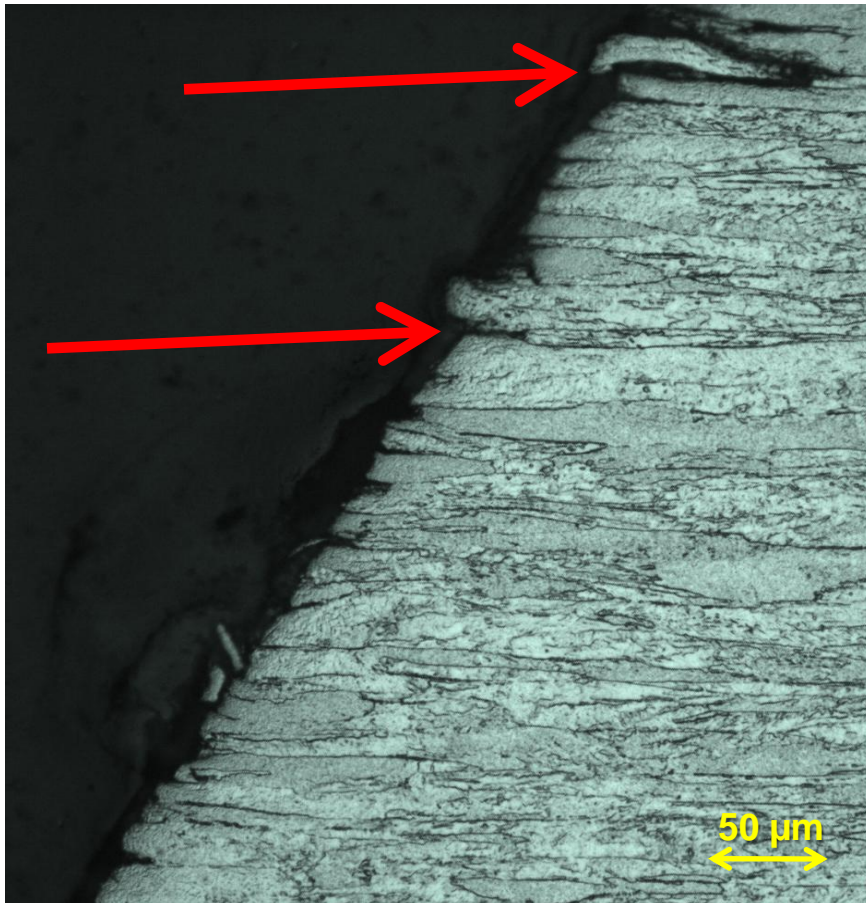
# Results, Rod Materials



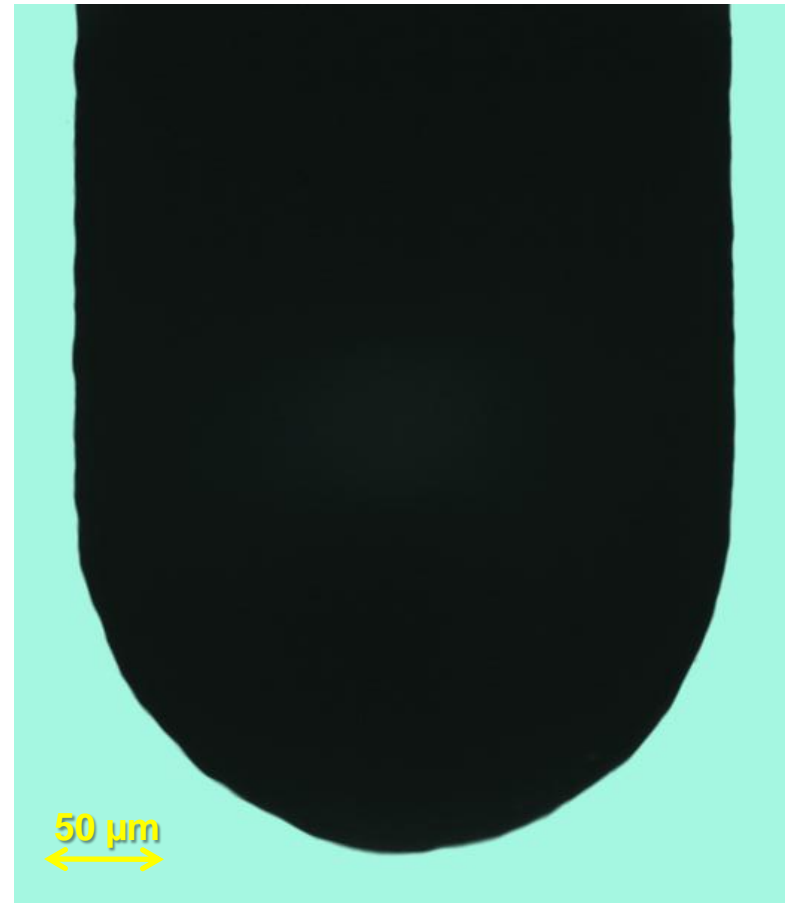
# Fracture: W & WL10, 7 mm rods



# Surface Fabrication

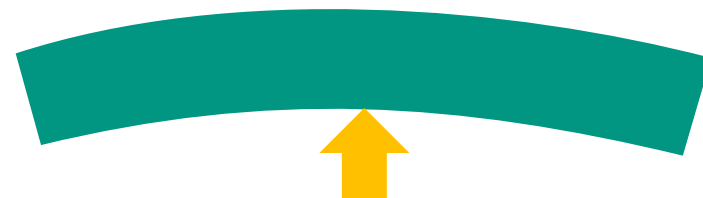
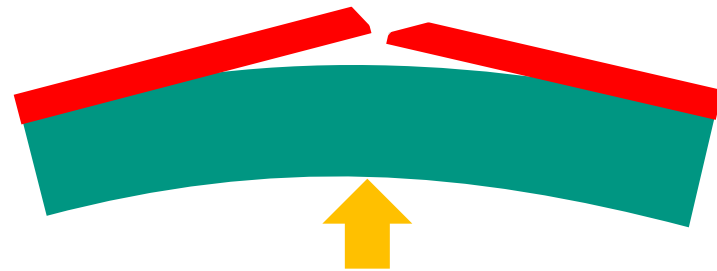
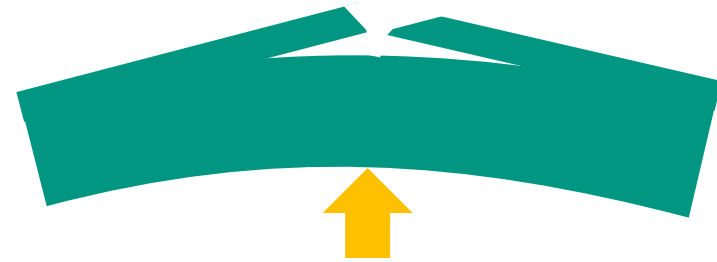


**W Rod, EDM**

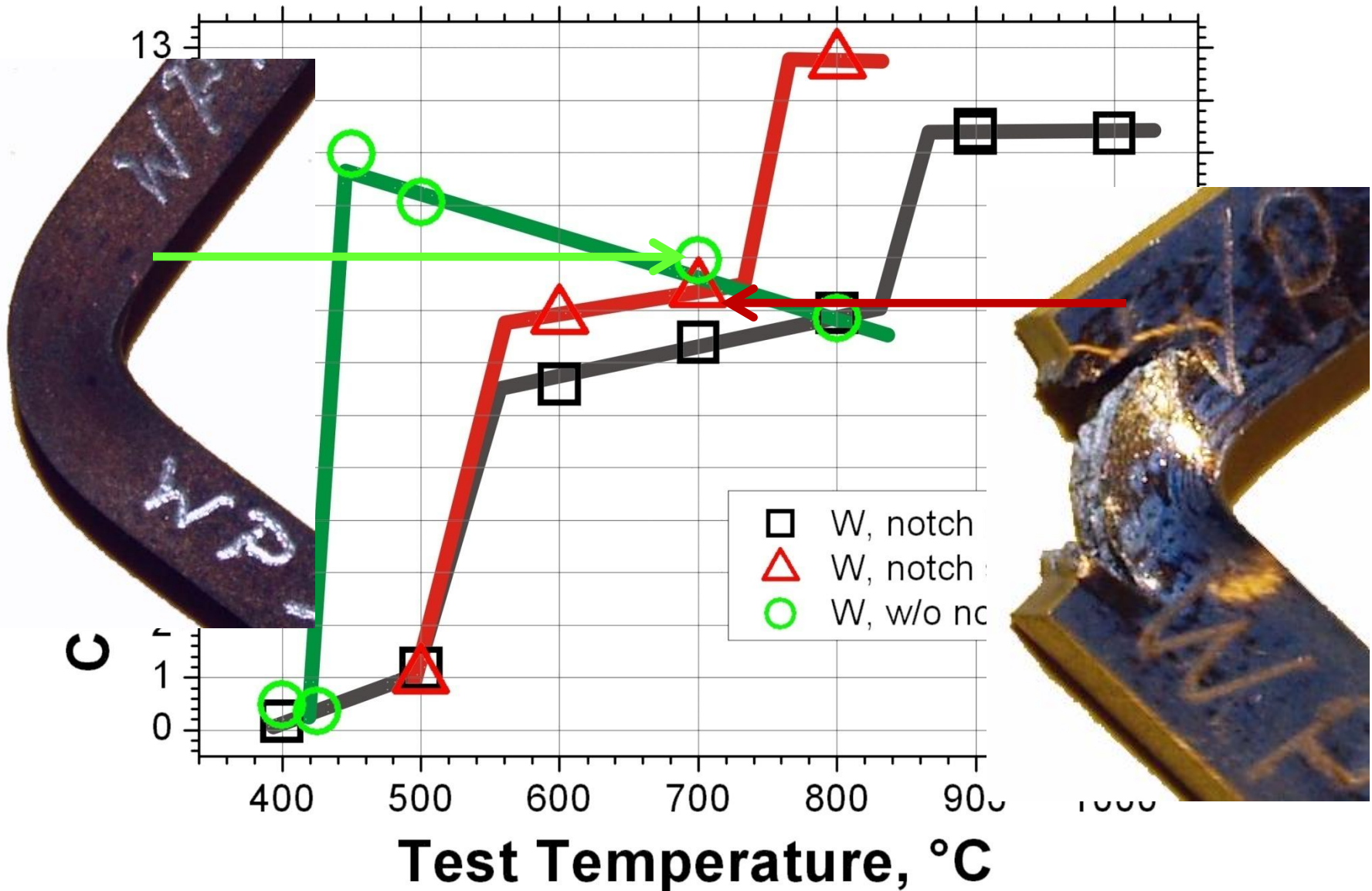


**W Rod, Diamond Saw**

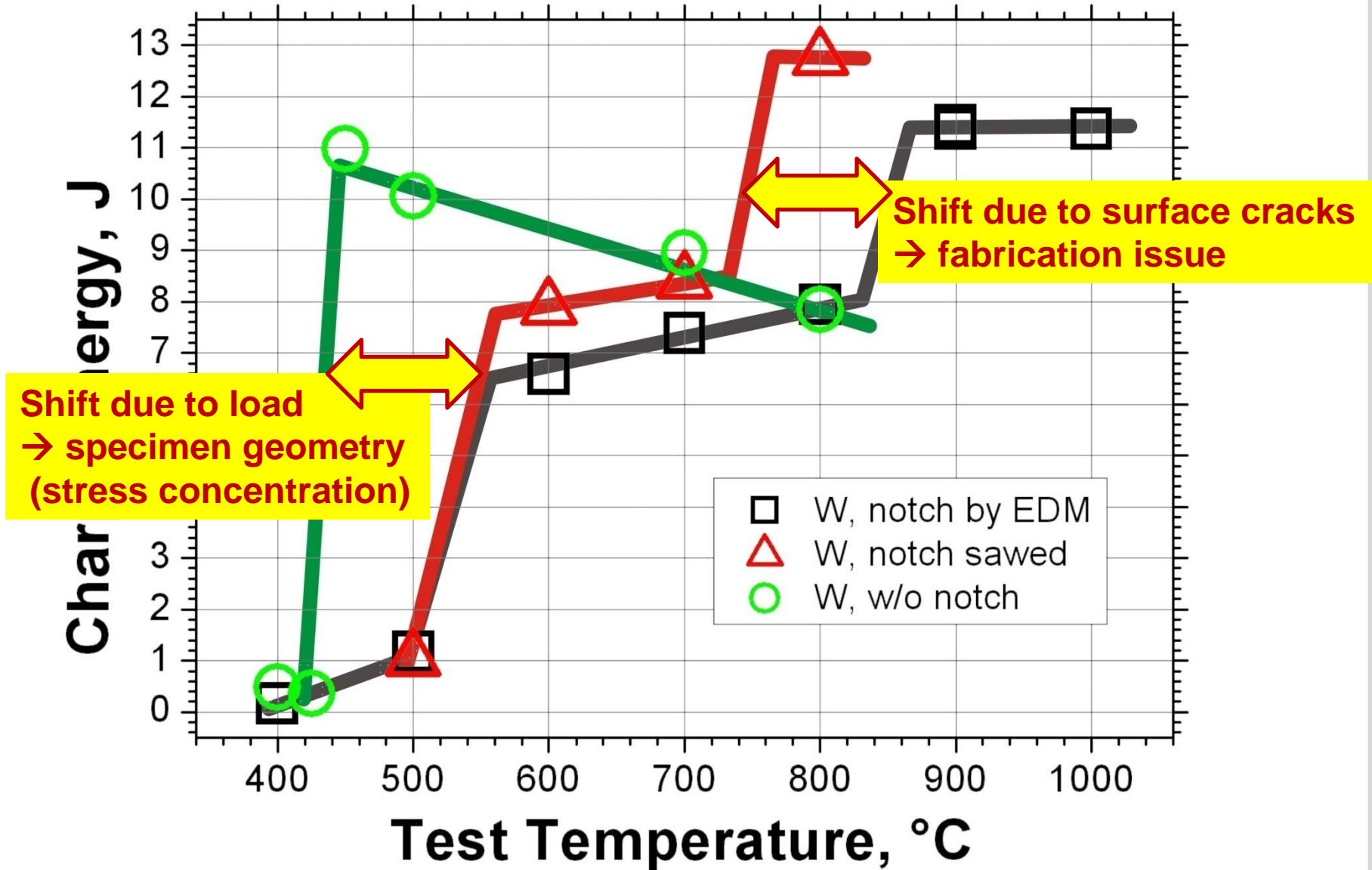
# Delamination, Simple Analogy



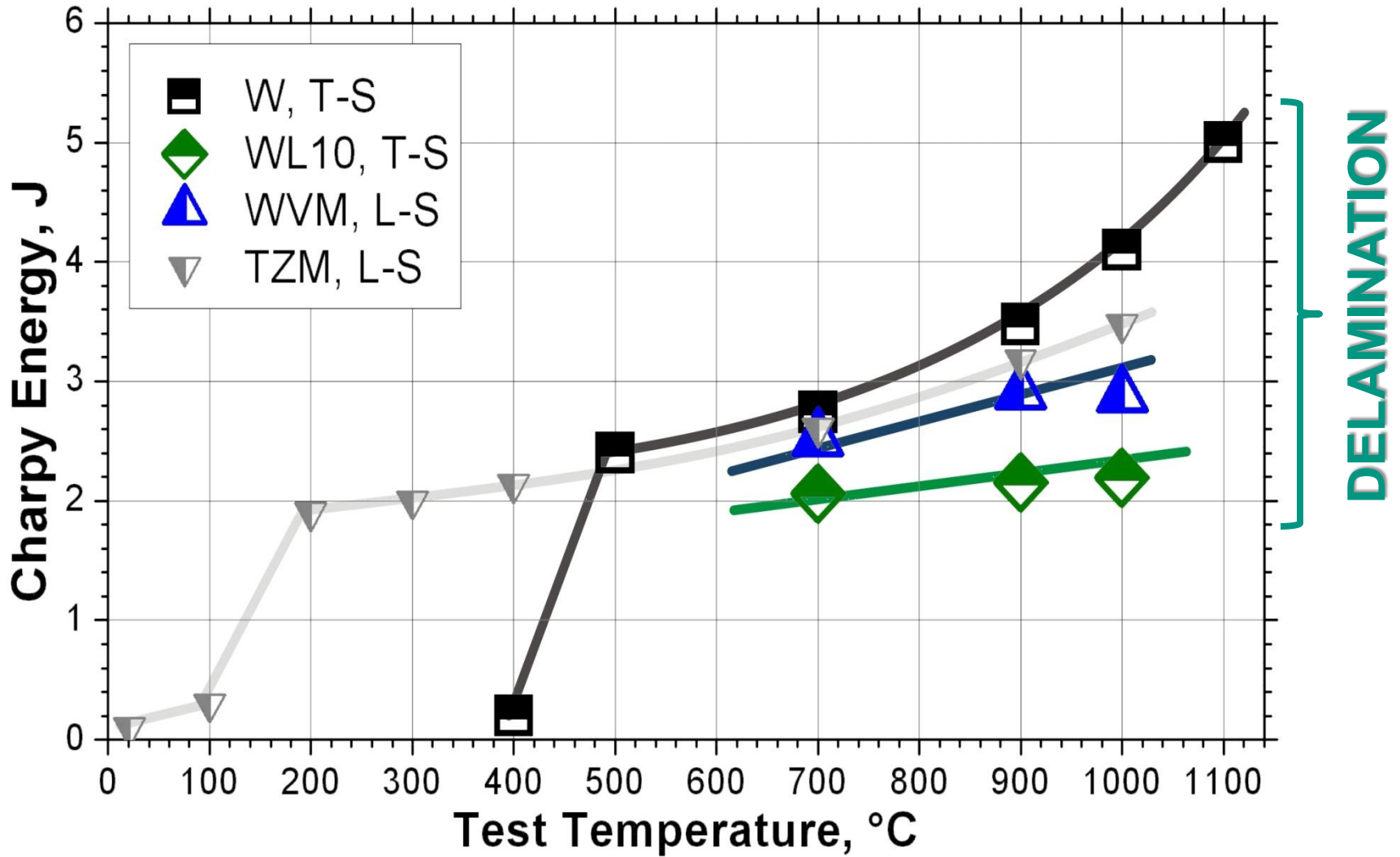
# Results, Surface Fabrication



# Discussion



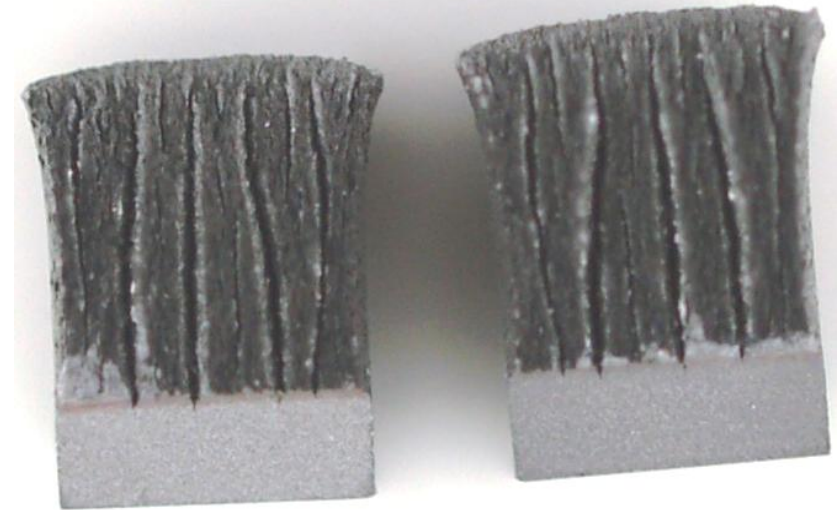
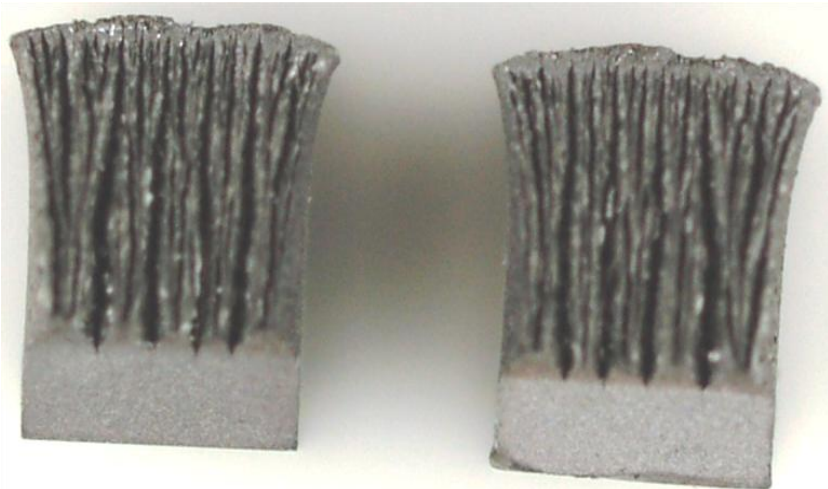
# Results, Plate Materials



# Fracture: W & WL10, plates

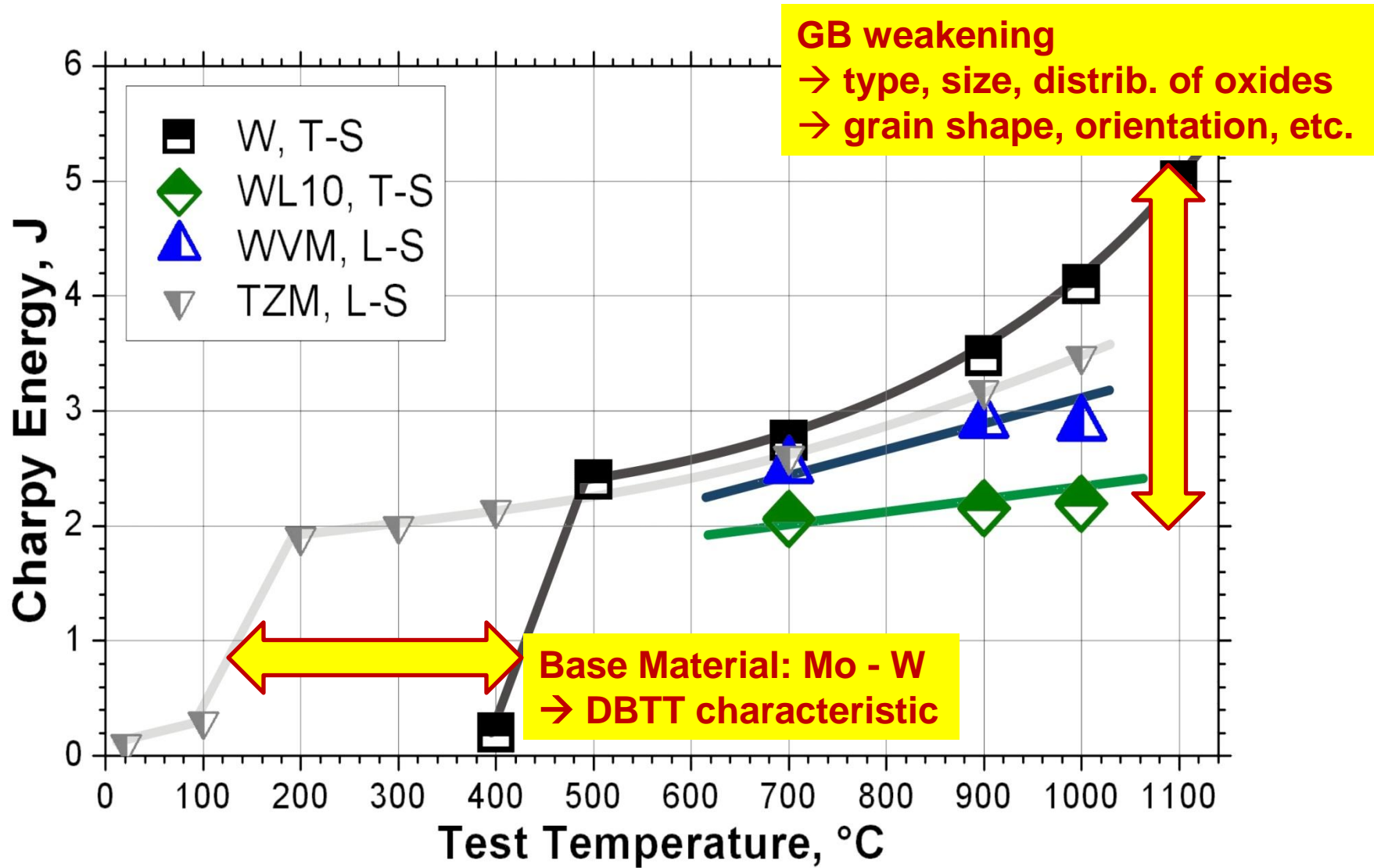
W

WL10





# Discussion



# Conclusions

Rod-Material	DBTT	BDTT / delamin.	DDTT / ductile
TZM	300°C	---	--- / <b>400°C</b>
W, un-notched	430°C	---	--- / <b>450°C</b>
W, sawed	---	500°C / ≥600°C	750°C / <b>800°C</b>
W	---	500°C / ≥600°C	850°C / <b>900°C</b>
WVM	---	500°C / ≥600°C	950°C / <b>1000°C</b>
WL10	---	450°C / ≥500°C ?	>1000°C / ???
WL10opt	---	500°C / ≥600°C	>1000°C / ???
W-1Re-1La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	---	500°C / ≥600°C	>1000°C / ???

## Plate-Material

TZM	---	150°C / 200°C	>1000°C / ???
W	---	450°C / 500°C	>1100°C / ???

DBTT: ductile-to-brittle transition temperature

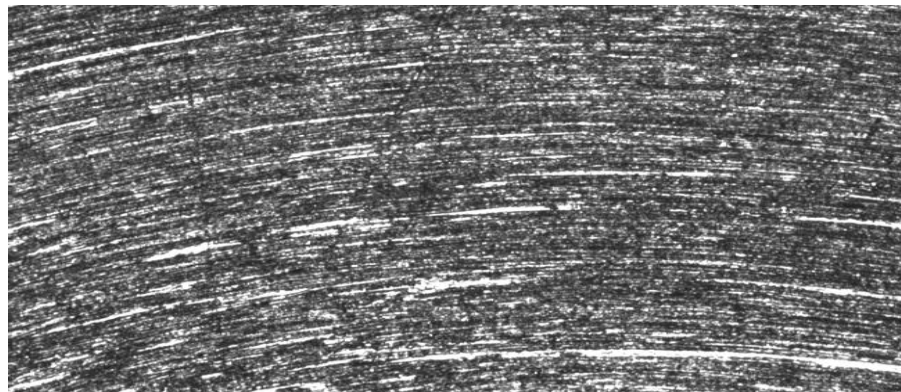
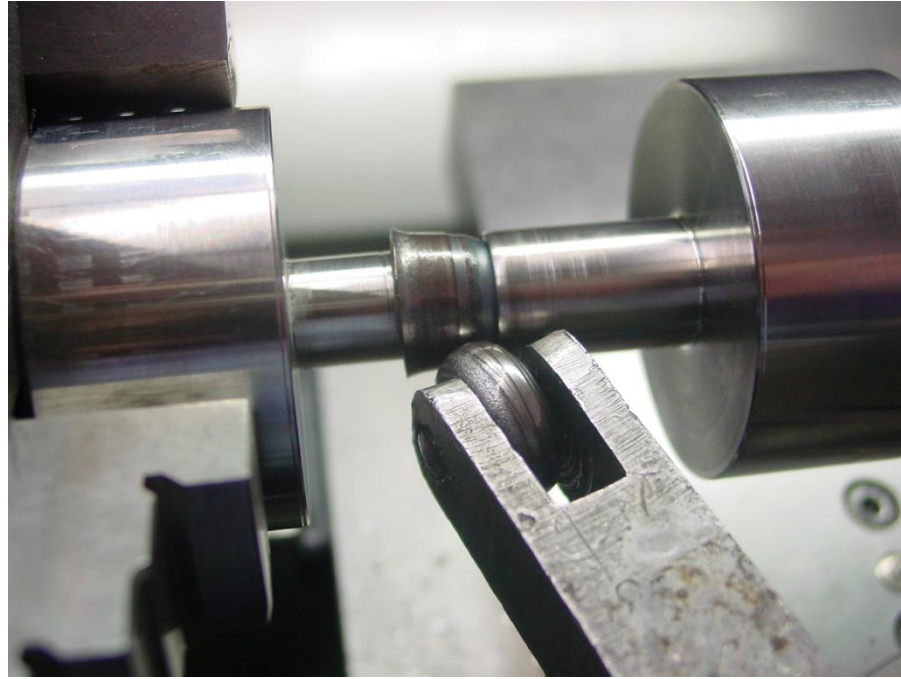
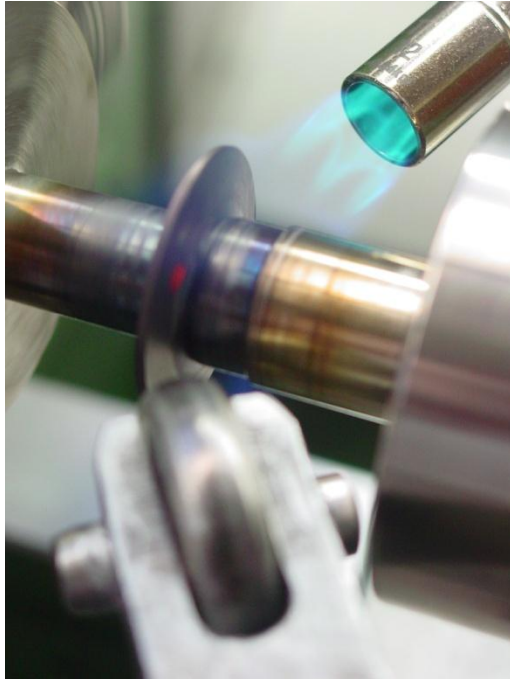
BDTT: brittle-to-delamination transition temperature

DDTT: delamination-to-ductile transition temperature

# Conclusions

- ➔ Microstructure significantly defines transition temperatures (rod texture more favorable than that of plates)
- ➔ Oxide particles (and also potassium doping) promote delamination (but they are necessary for stabilizing GB → suppr. re-crystallization)
- ➔ Tungsten materials have a DBTT limit of  $\geq 400^{\circ}\text{C}$  (when produced by sintering & deformation, tested according to DIN EN ISO 148-1, ...)
- ➔ Notches/edges have to be avoided in structural parts
- ➔ Optimum fabrication probably only by aligning grains along the contour of the according part → deep drawing, twisting, pressing, ...

# Outlook



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