

Pourquoi le MEB bas voltage peut-il compétitionner avec le MET conventionnel ?

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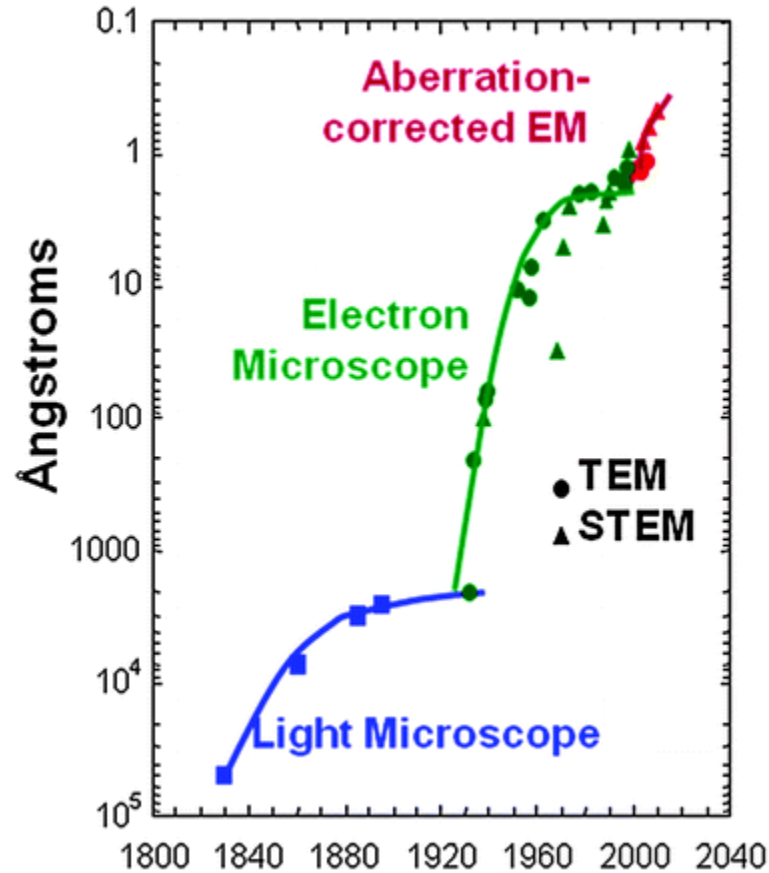
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TEM Resolution vs Time



Si₆ Cluster in Graphene

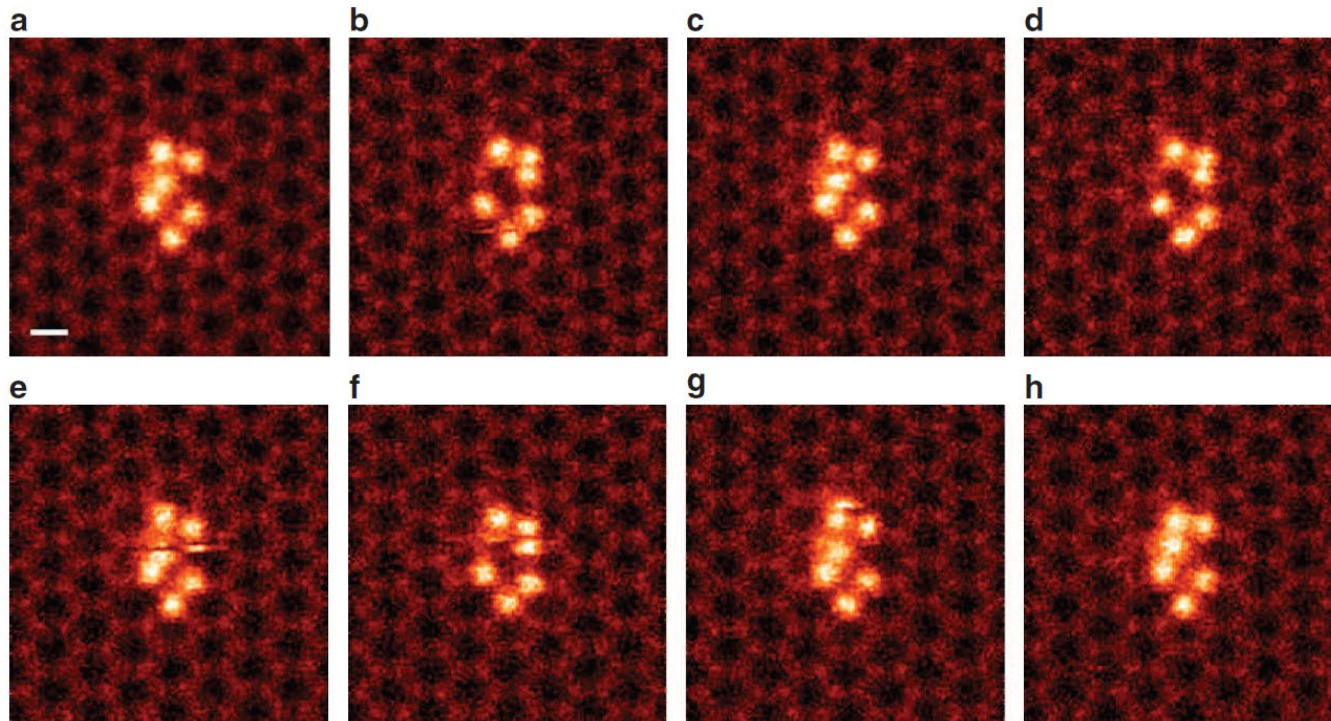


Figure 1 | Sequential STEM-ADF Z-contrast images of the Si₆ cluster embedded in a graphene pore (a-h) The images have been low-pass filtered in order to reduce random noise. Scale bar, 0.2 nm.

Lee, J.; Zhou, W.; Pennycook, S. J.; Idrobo, J.-C.; Pantelides, S. T. Direct Visualization of Reversible Dynamics in a Si₆ Cluster Embedded in a Graphene Pore. *Nature Communications* 2013, 4, 1650–7.

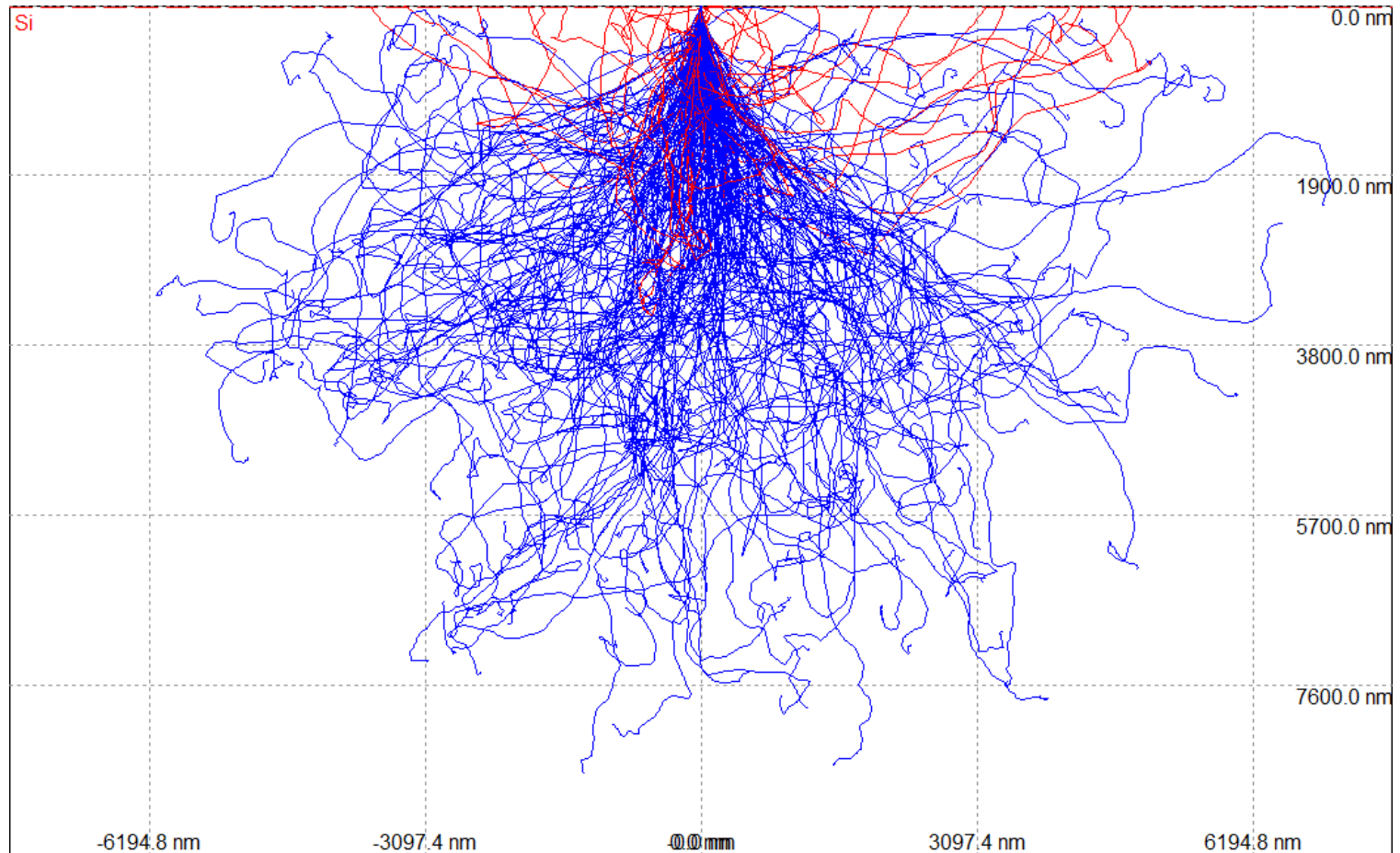
TEM/STEM Modernes

Très dispendueux !!!

Nombre limité !!!

Que peut-on faire ????

CASINO



[CASINO: A new Monte Carlo code in C language for electron beam interaction .1. Description of the program](#)

By: Hovington, P; Drouin, D; Gauvin, R

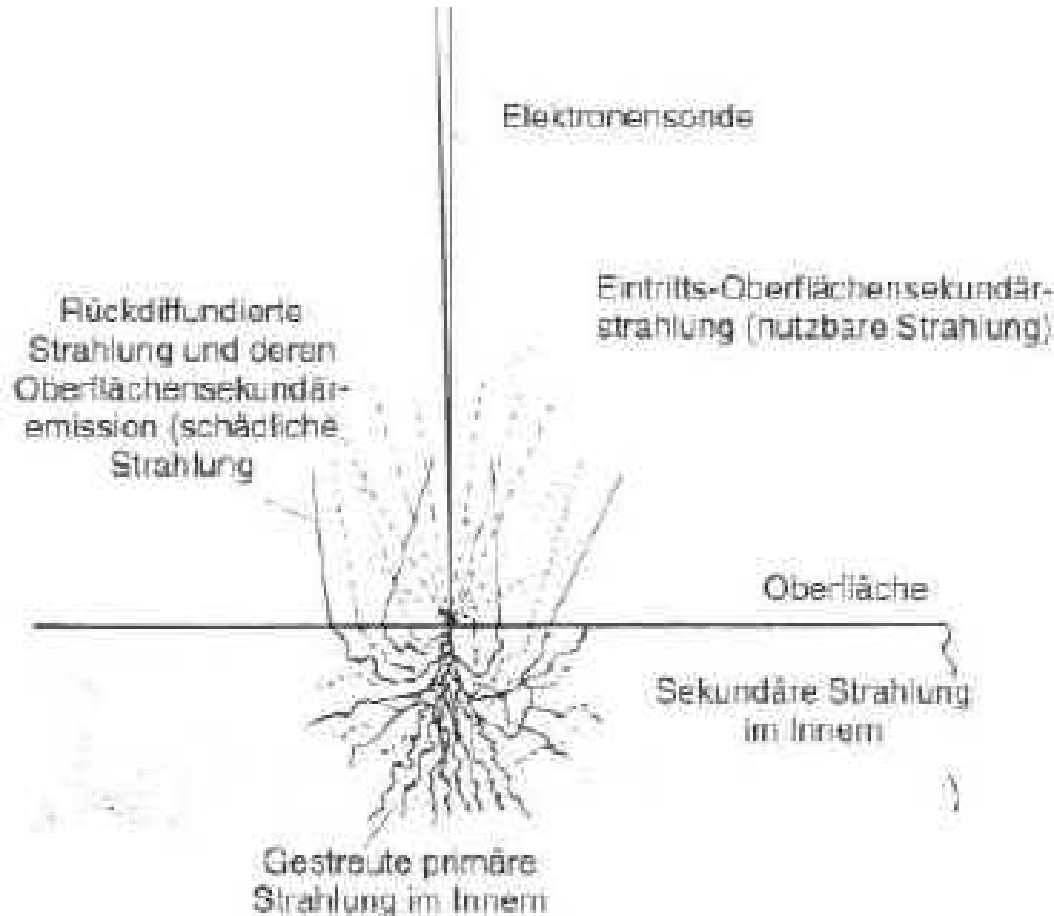
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[CASINO V2.42 - A fast and easy-to-use modeling tool for scanning electron microscopy and microanalysis users](#)

By: Drouin, D.; Couture, A. R.; Joly, D. and Gauvin, R.

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Low Voltage SEM



- Small interaction volume
- Improved spatial resolution

Von Ardenne
1940

FIG. 6 Diagram illustrating von Ardenne's (1940) discussion of secondary electron imaging of a surface.

Monte Carlo Simulations

10 nm MnS Inclusion in Fe

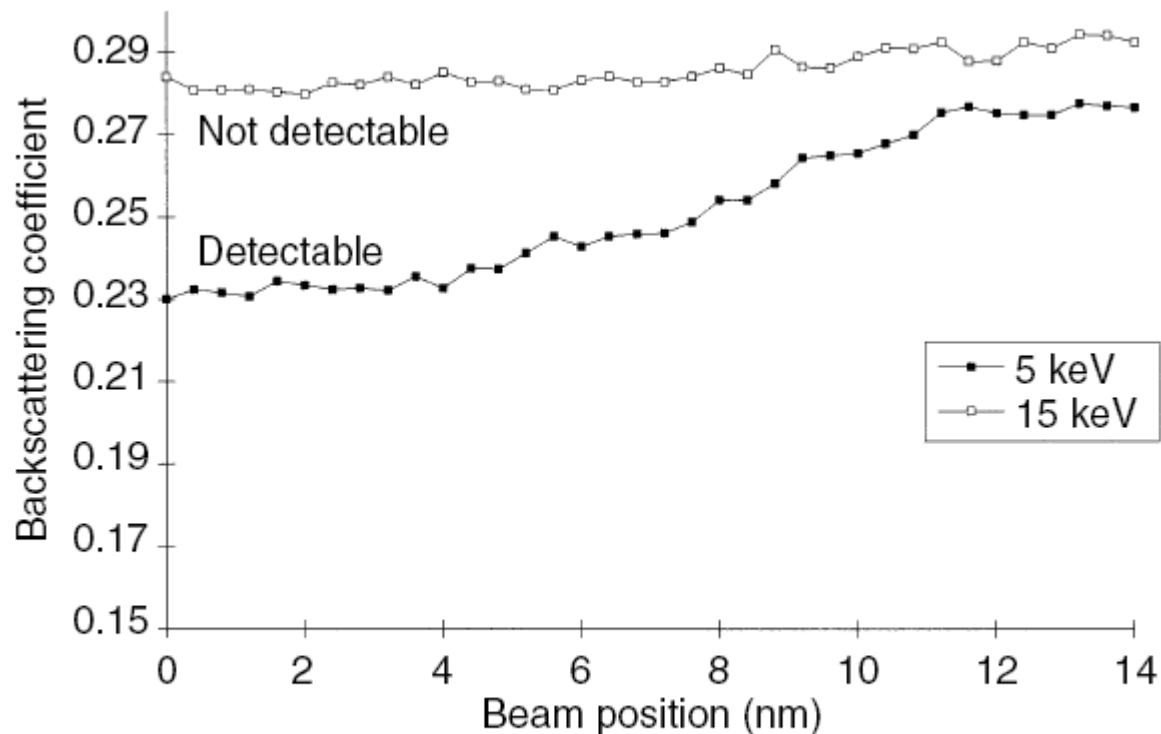


FIG. 24 Simulated profile for a 10 nm radius hemispherical inclusion of the MnS/Fe system at $E_0 = 5$ and 15 keV.

Electron Probe Diameter

The relationships between the probe diameter d and the convergence angle α are

$$d = \sqrt{d_g^2 + d_s^2 + d_d^2 + d_c^2}$$

$$d_g = \sqrt{\frac{4I_p}{\pi^2 \beta \alpha^2}}$$

$$d_s = \frac{1}{2} C_s \alpha^3$$

$$d_d = \frac{0.61\lambda}{\alpha}$$

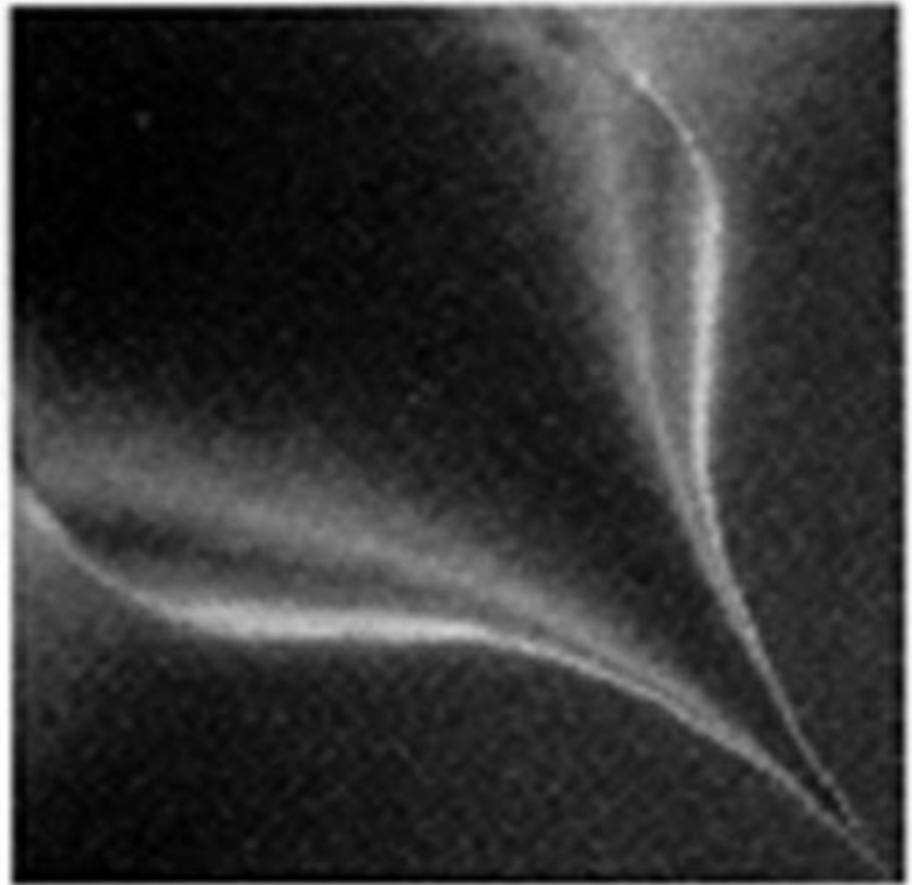
$$d_c = C_c \alpha \frac{\Delta E}{E_0}$$



Cold Field Emitter

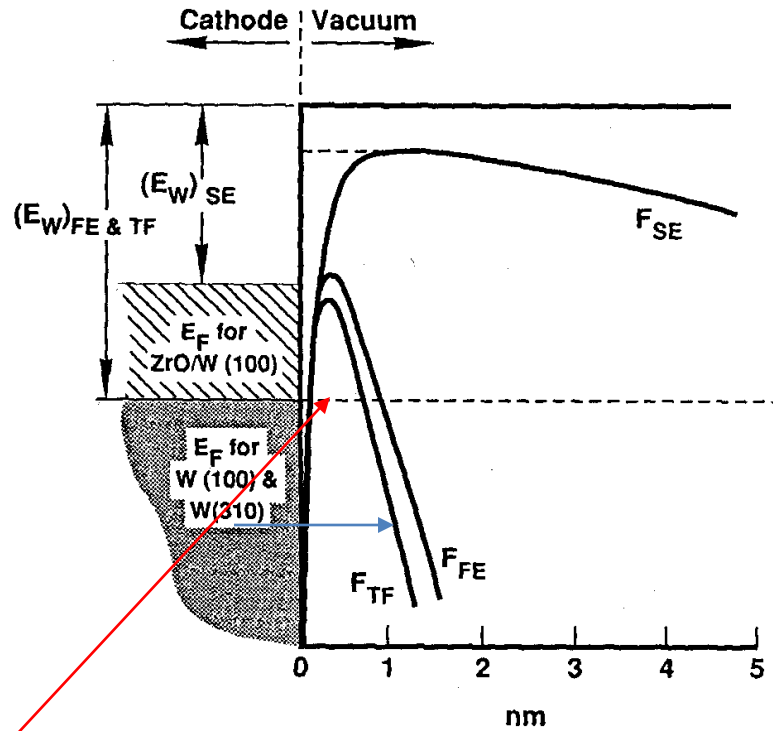
Invented by Albert Crewe in 1968

- $E = \frac{U}{r}$
- $U = 3 \text{ kV to } 5 \text{ kV}$
- $r = 100 \text{ nm}$
- $E \geq 10^7 \text{ V/cm}$



High vacuum needed (10^{-8} or 10^{-9} Pa) to avoid tip erosion

Electron Emission



Field emission by quantum tunnel effect

True for cold field and thermal field only



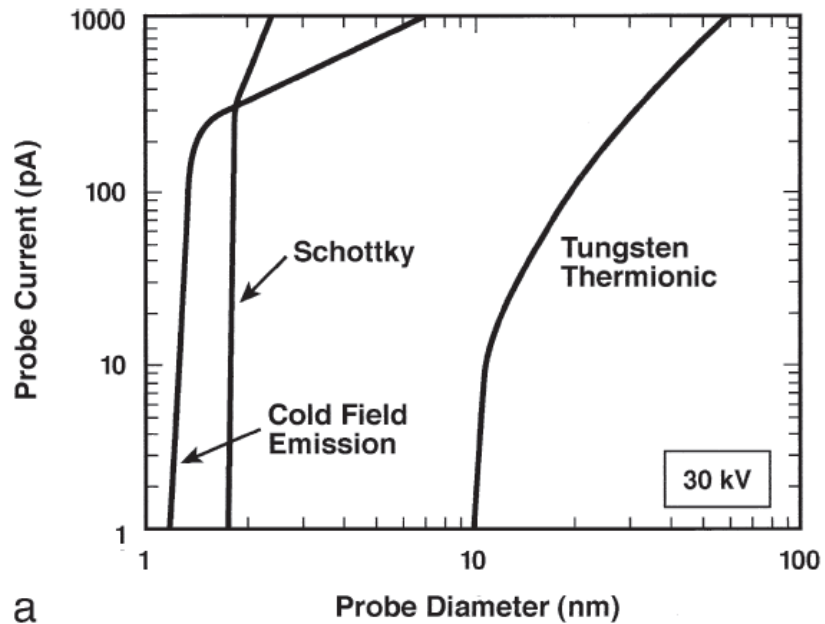
Comparison of Electron Sources

Table 2.1. Comparison of Electron Sources at 20 kV

Source	Brightness (A/cm ² sr)	Lifetime (h)	Source size	Energy spread ΔE (eV)	Beam current stability (%/h)	Ref.
Tungsten hairpin	10^5	40–100	30–100 μm	1–3	1	<i>a,b</i>
LaB ₆	10^6	200–1000	5–50 μm	1–2	1	<i>b,c</i>
Field emission						
Cold	10^9	>1000	<5 nm	0.3	5	<i>d,e</i>
Thermal	10^8	>1000	<5 nm	1	5	<i>e</i>
Schottky	10^8	>1000	15–30 nm	0.3–1.0	~1	<i>e</i>

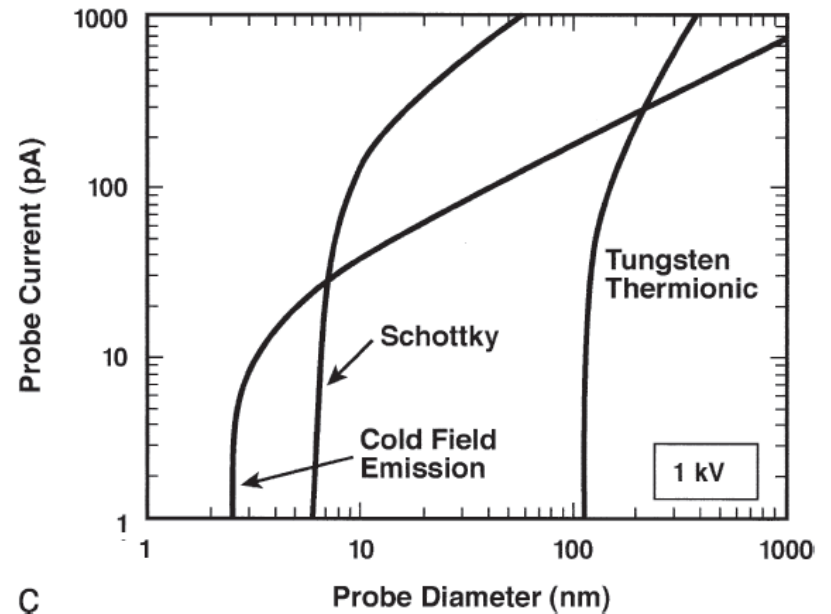
Effect of Accelerating Voltage

30 kV



a

1 kV



c

Cold Field Scanning Electron Microscopes, Gauvin's Group

Hitachi SU-8000 (2010)



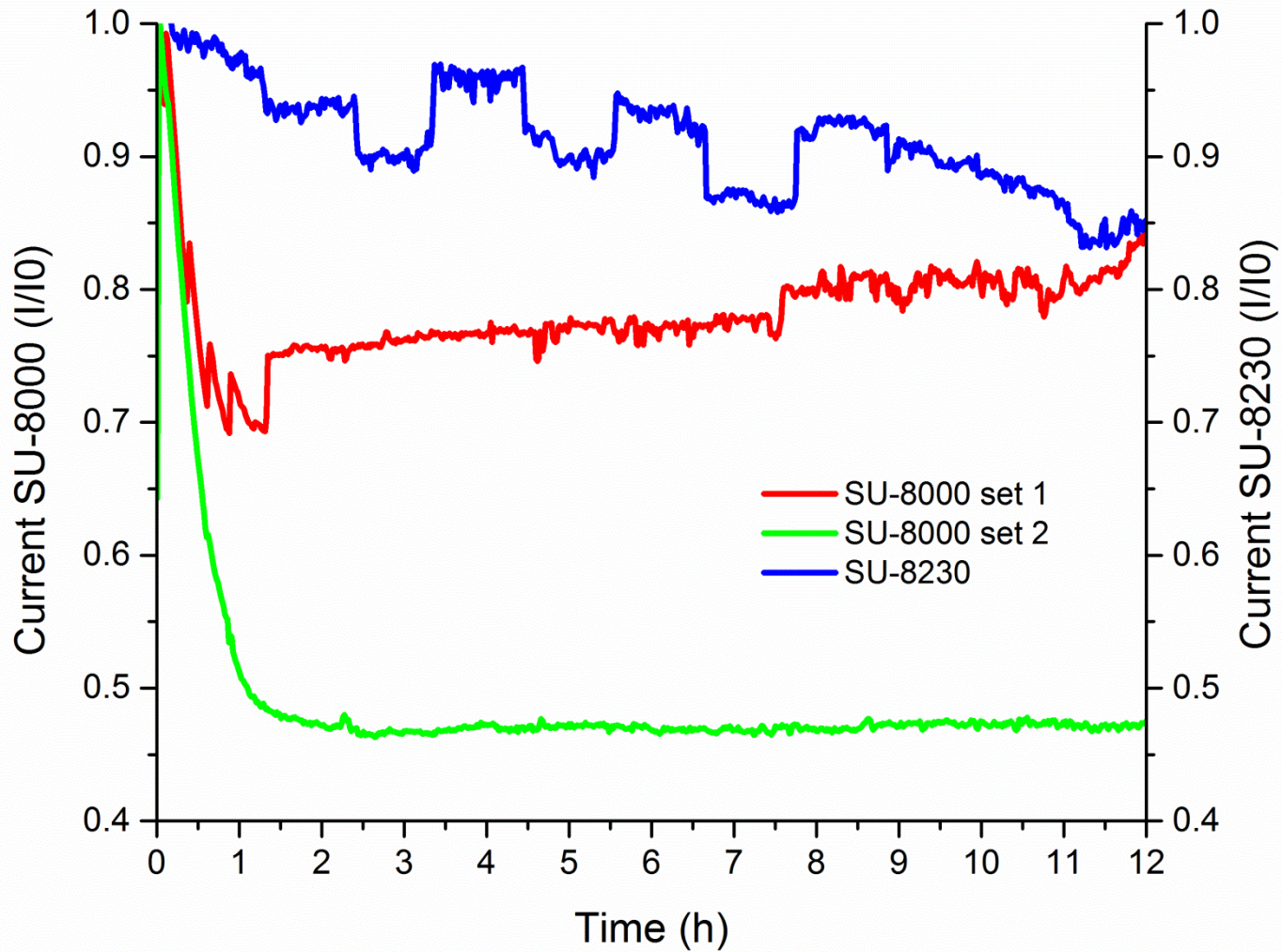
0.5 nm at 30 keV
2 nm at 0.2 keV

Hitachi SU-8230 (2014)

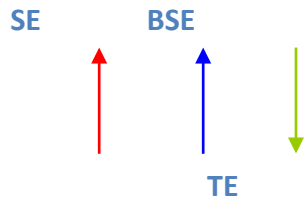
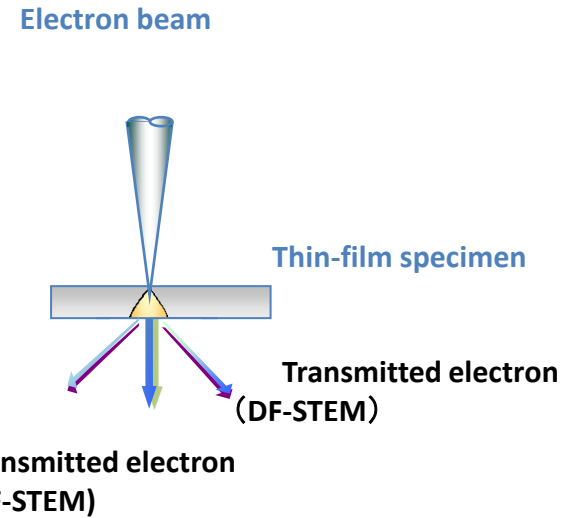
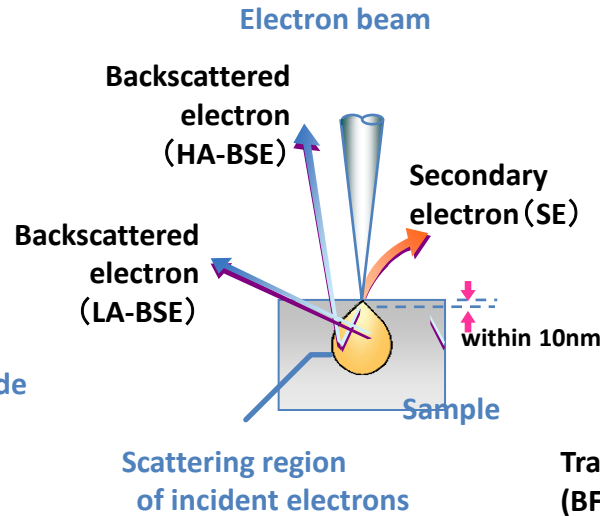
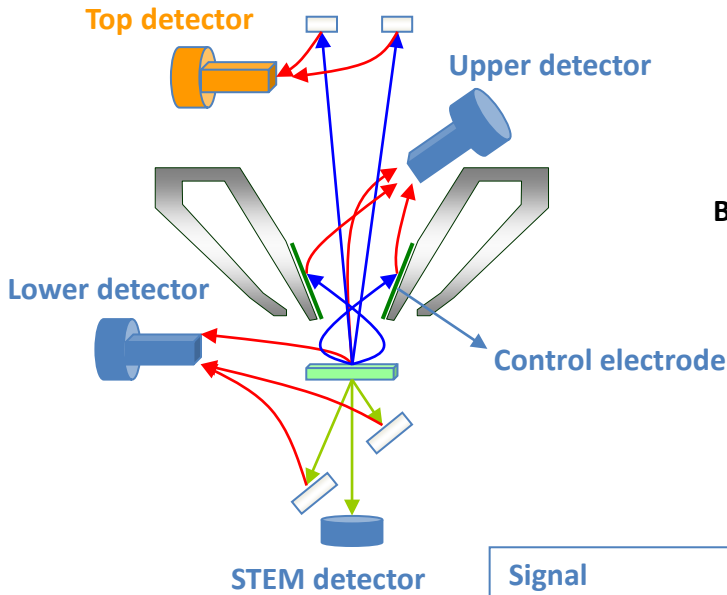


0.4 nm at 30 keV,
1.8 nm at 0.2 keV

SU-8230, Auto Flash

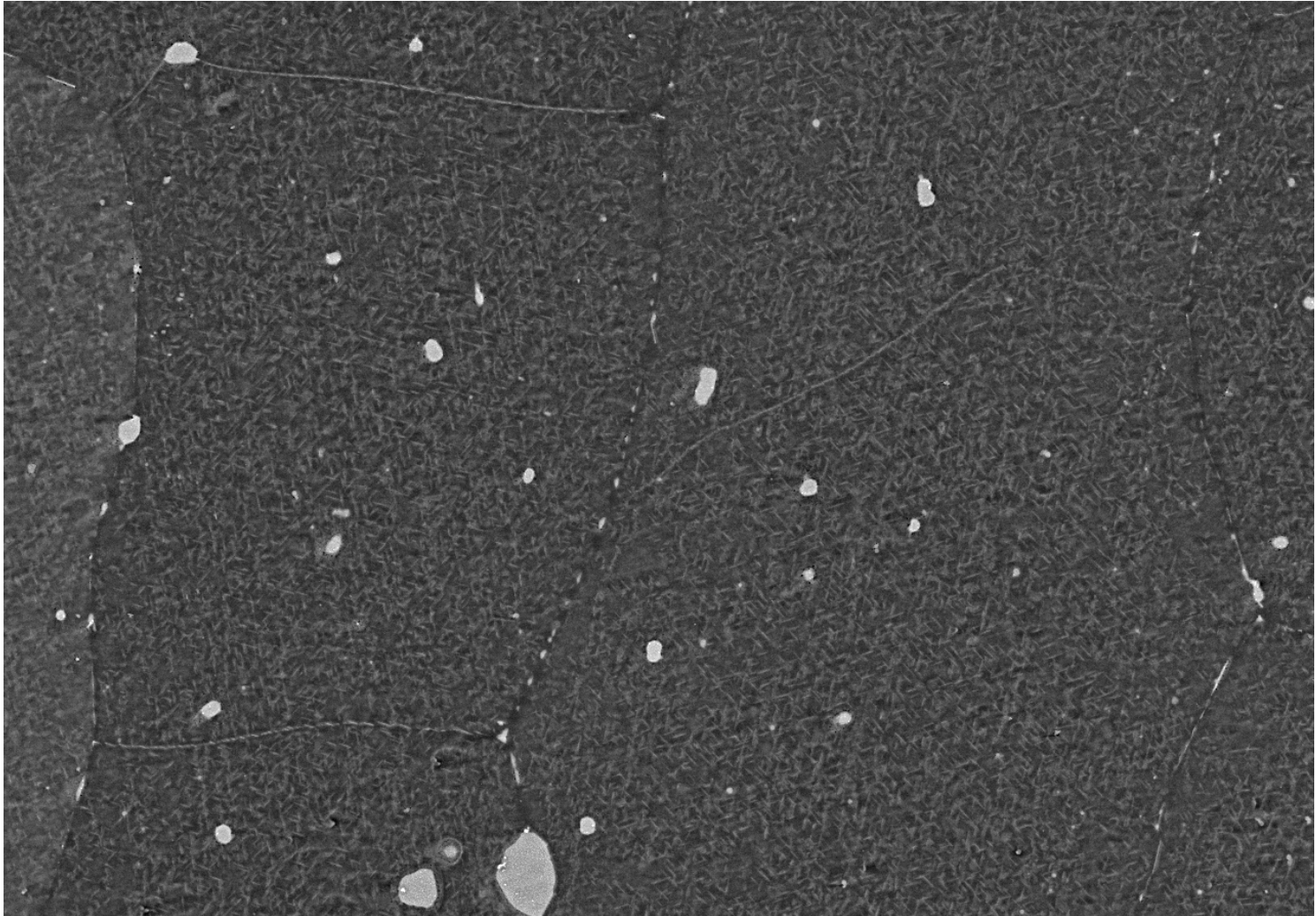


HITACHI SU-8XXX Series



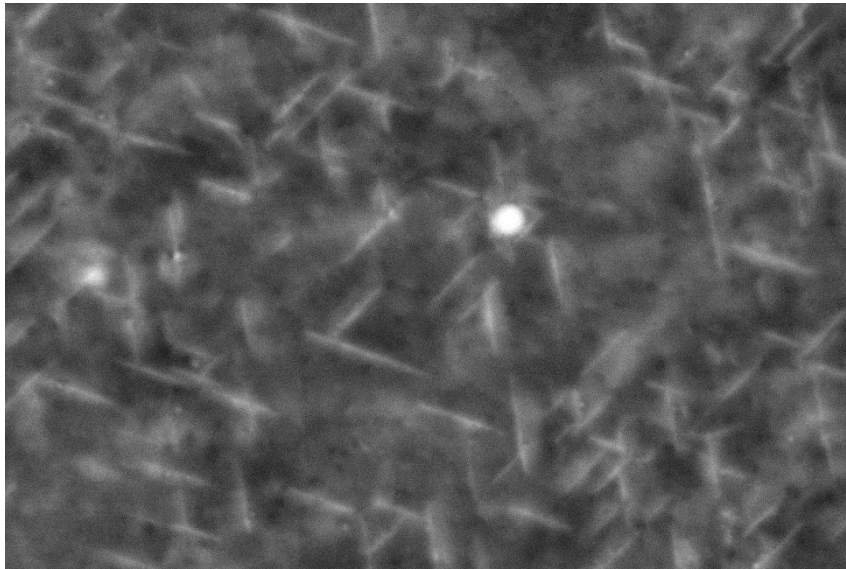
Signal	Abbrev.	Detector	Included information
Backscattered electron	HA-BSE	Top	Compositional + Crystal
Backscattered electron	LA-BSE	Upper +Topographical (with Charge reduction)	Compositional + Crystal
Secondary electron	SE	Upper	surface (incl. Voltage contrast)
Secondary electron	Lower	Lower	Topographical
Transmitted electron	BF-STEM	STEM	Internal + Crystallographic
Transmitted electron	DF-STEM	Lower	Internal + Compositional

Al – Li alloy, 2199



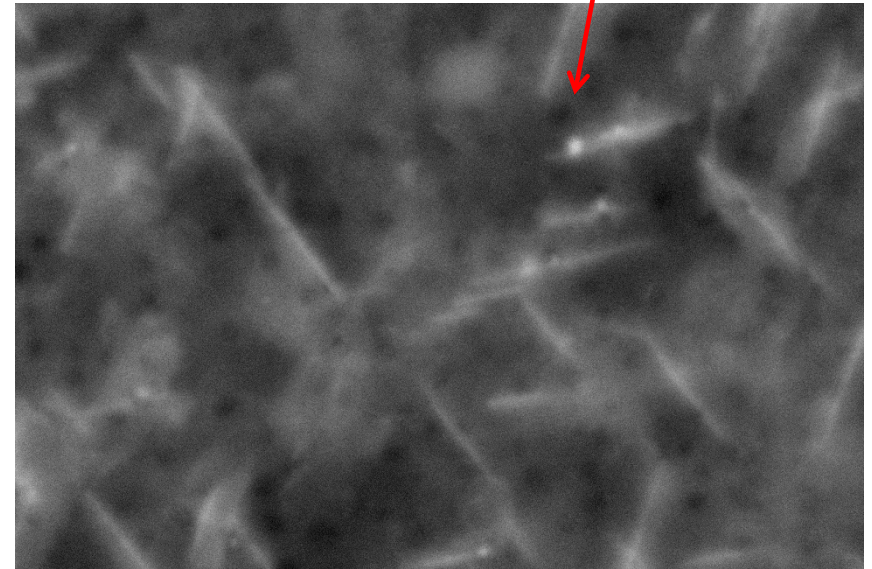
Al - Li Alloy 2099

LA100(U)



FOV 1270 nm
100 kX
SNR: 1.5
Resolution: 10.0 nm

LA100(U)

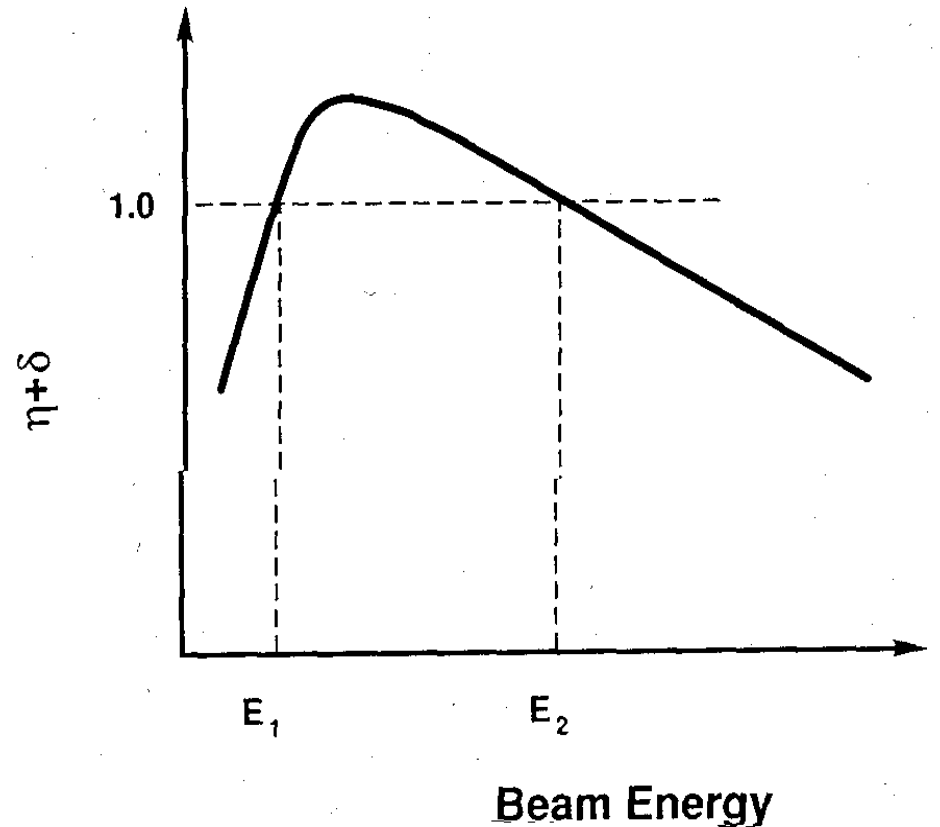


δ' (Al_3Li)

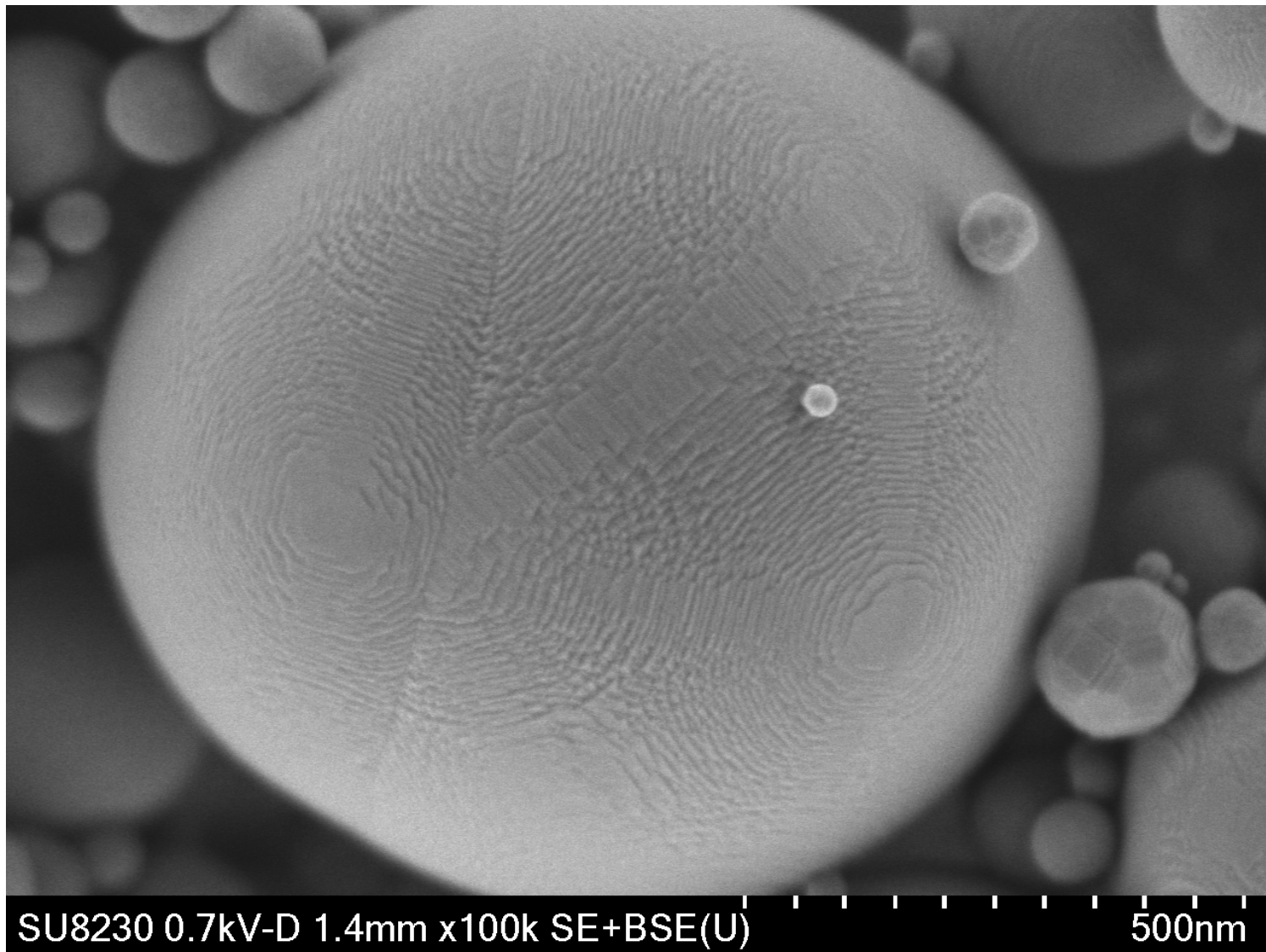
FOV: 635 nm
200 kX
SNR: 1.6
Resolution: 6.6 nm

Nonconductive Materials

- At E_2 and E_1 , no charging.
- Ceramics, $E_2 \approx 3 - 4$ keV.
- Polymers, $E_2 \approx 0.5$ keV.



Alumina, 0.7 keV

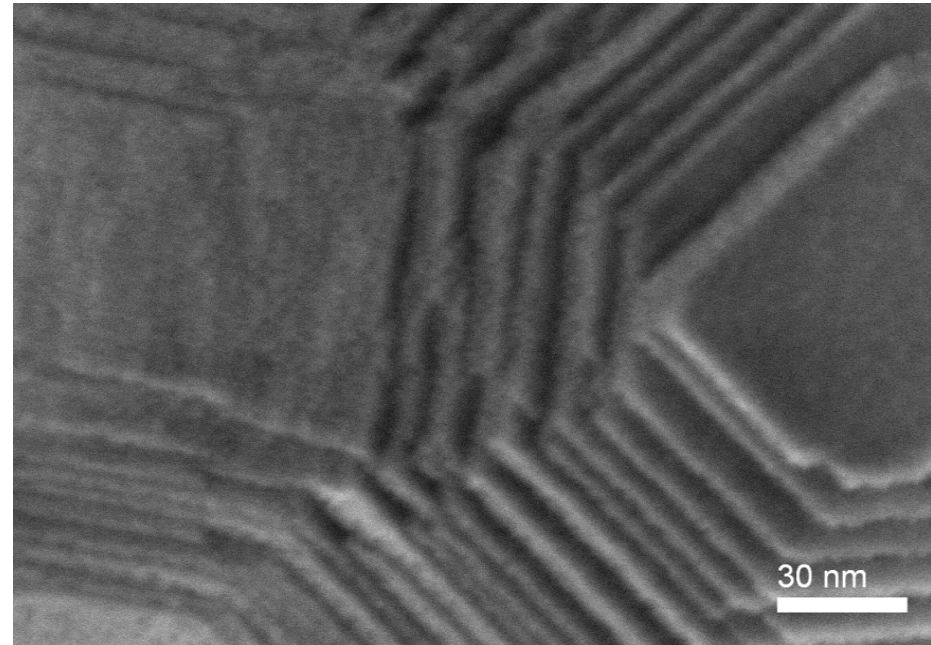
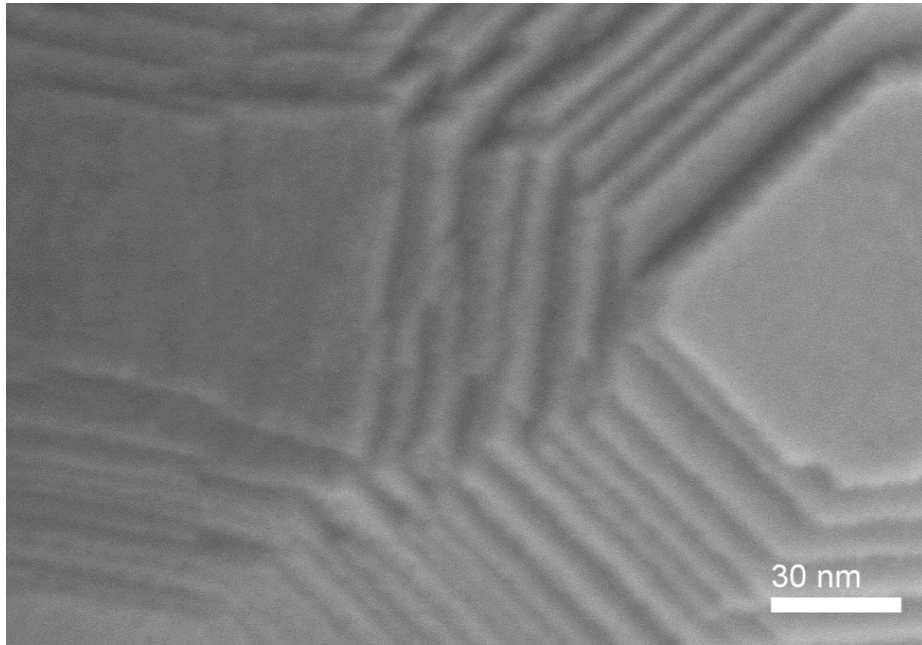




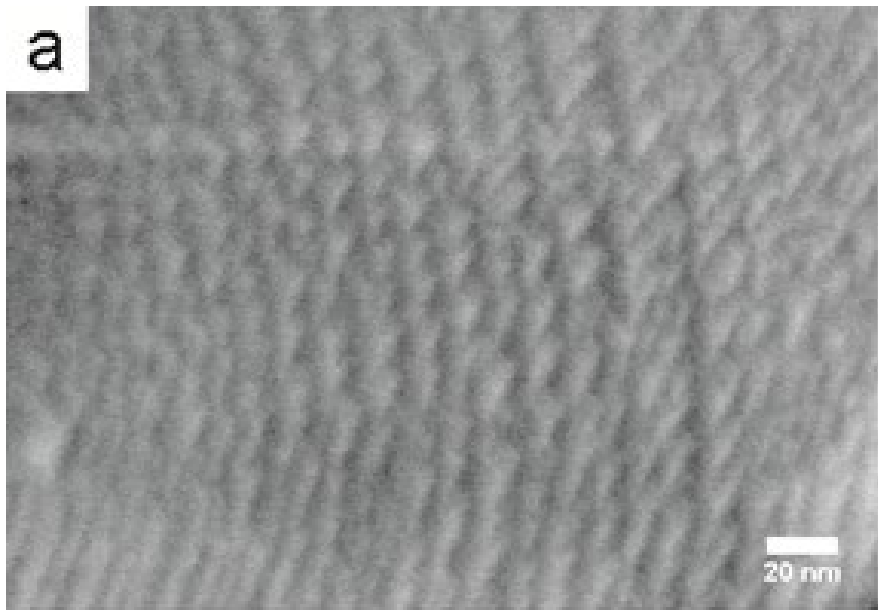
Low Accelerating Voltage and Charging effect: Alumina spheres

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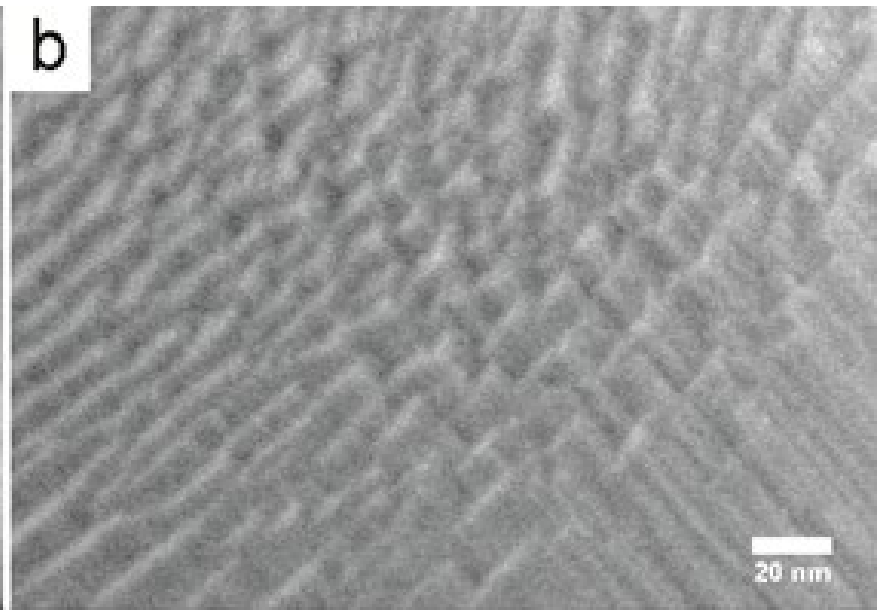
TOP



Effect of Auto-Flash Alumina Powder

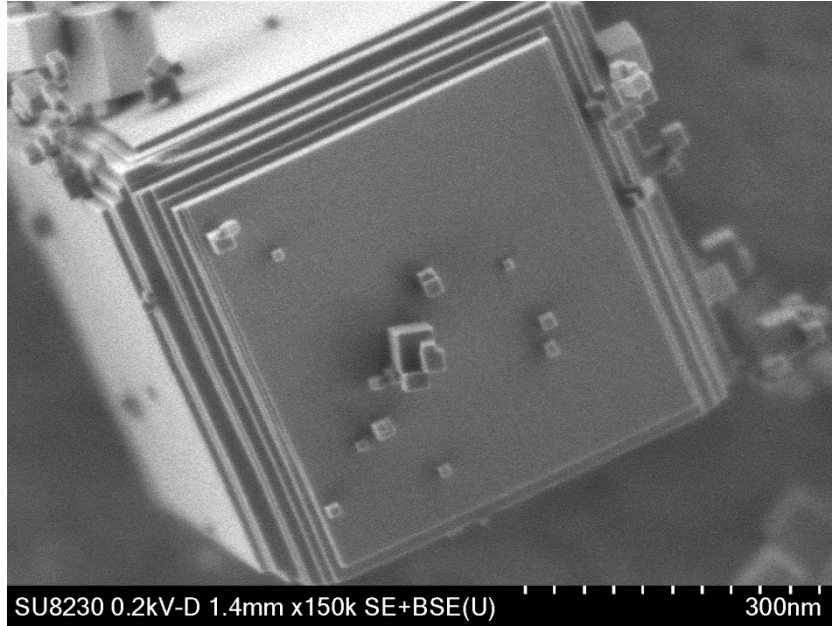


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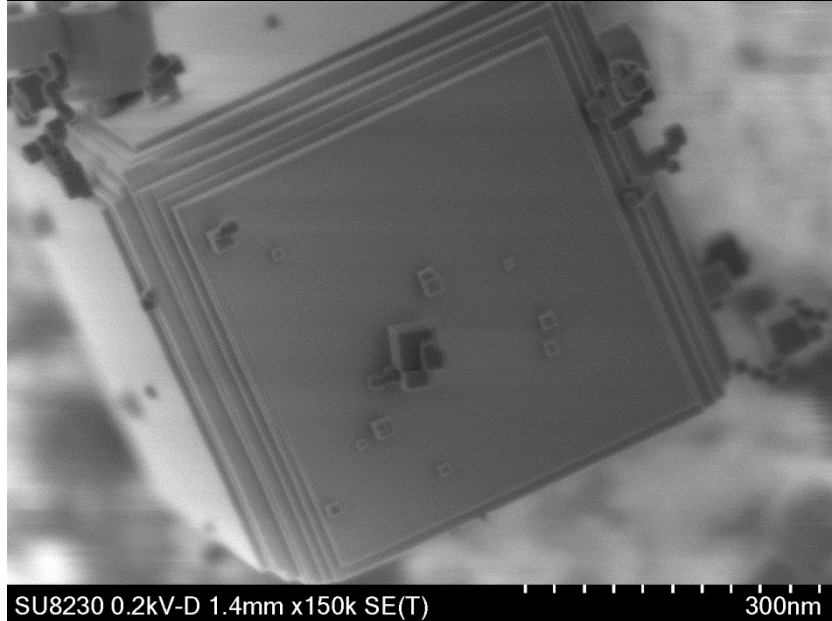
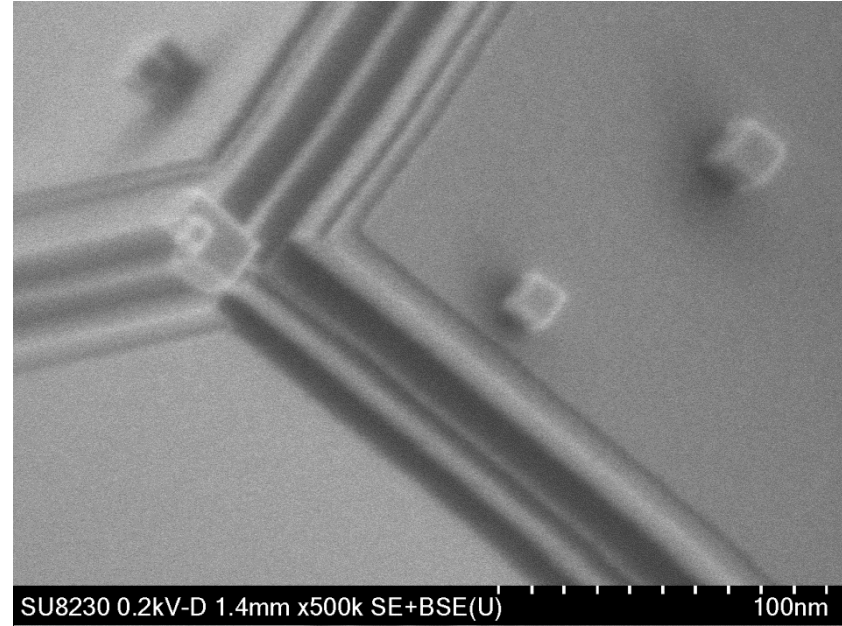


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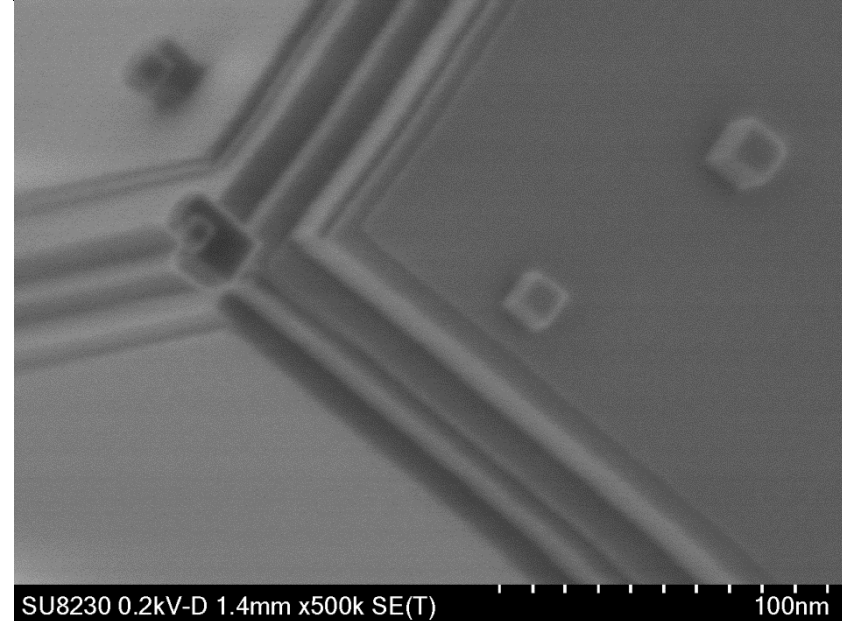
MgO ash on Al substrate



Upper detector



Top detector



X-Max

400000 cps @ 80 mm²

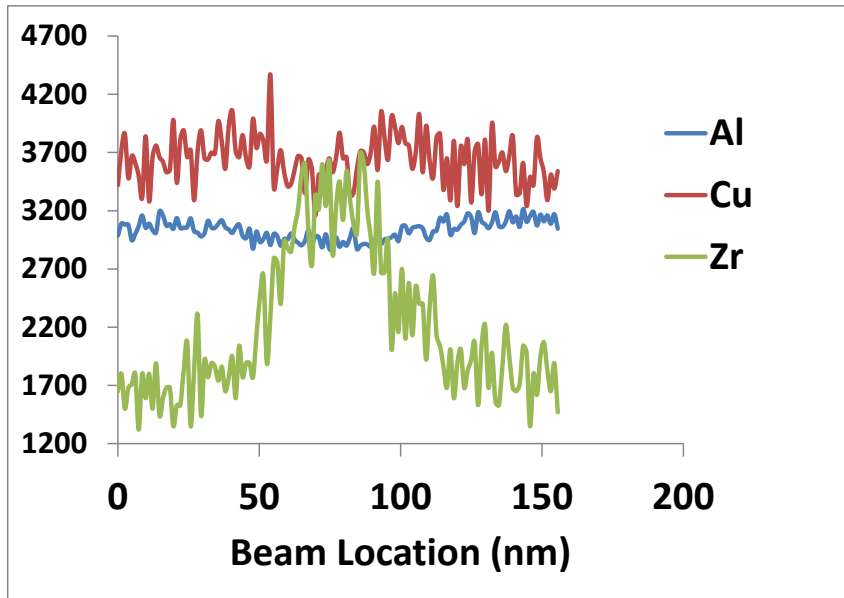
In practice



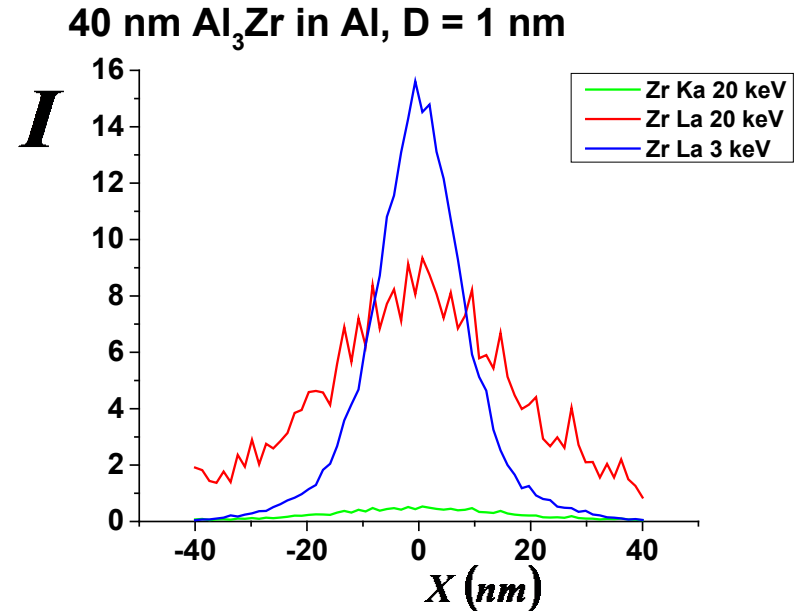
Detector area	20mm ²	50mm ²	80mm ²
Resolution (eV):			
MnK _α resolution	129	129	129
Operating angle	0° to 45°		
Temperature range	10°C to 30°C		
Altitude	Sea level to 1,500m		

40 nm Al_3Zr Precipitate, 3 kV, Al 2099

Experiment



Monte Carlo MC X-Ray



Mg – Al – Ca alloy

3 keV EDS, SU 8000, Oxford XMax 80

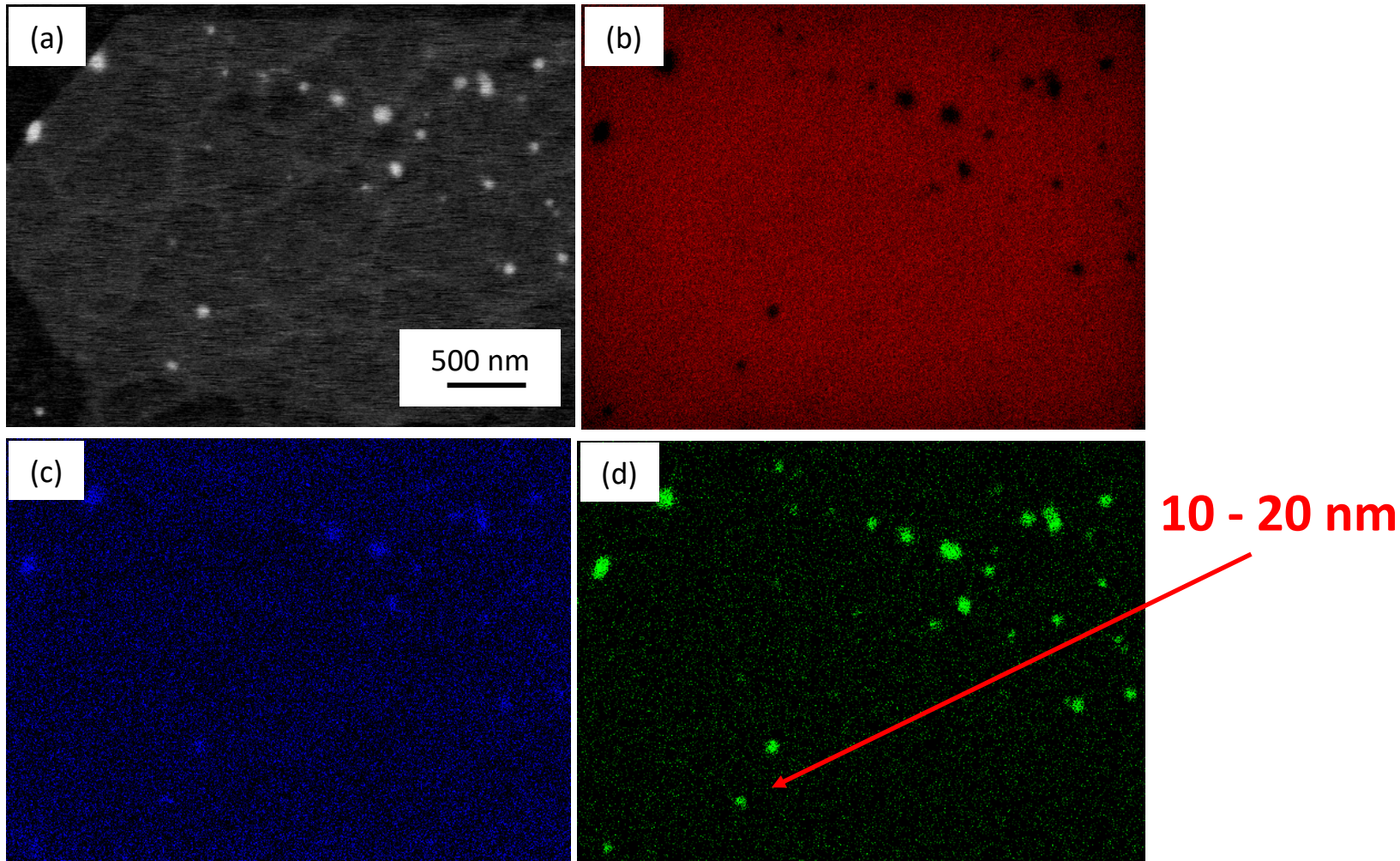


Figure 7. (a) SEM-BSE image, (b) Mg, (c) Al and (Ca) X-ray maps

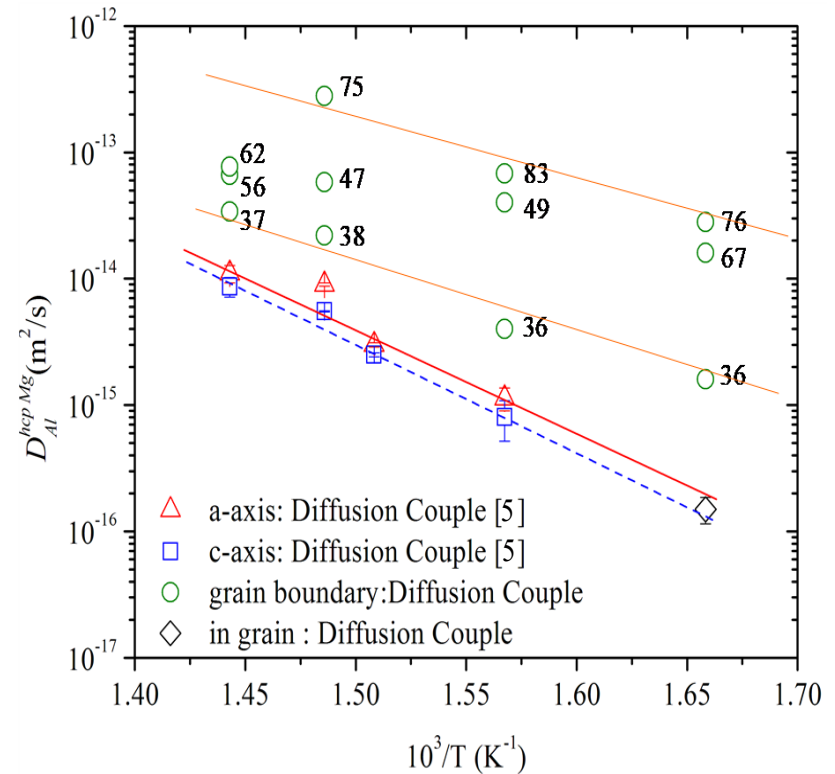
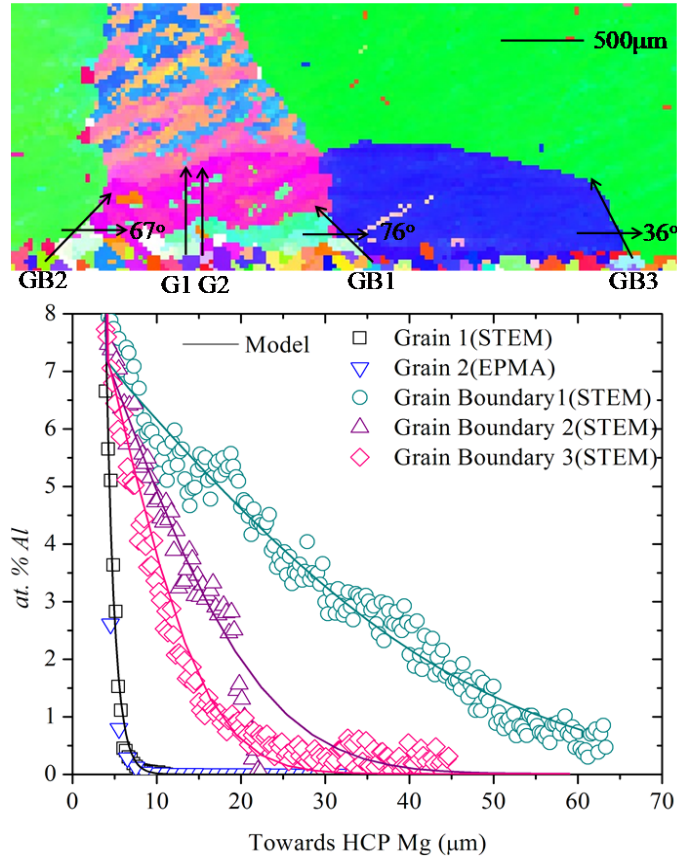
Quantitative X-Ray Microanalysis

The f Ratio Method

$$f_A = \frac{I_A}{I_A + I_B}$$

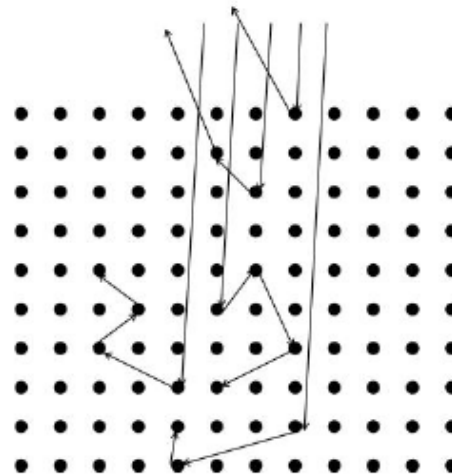
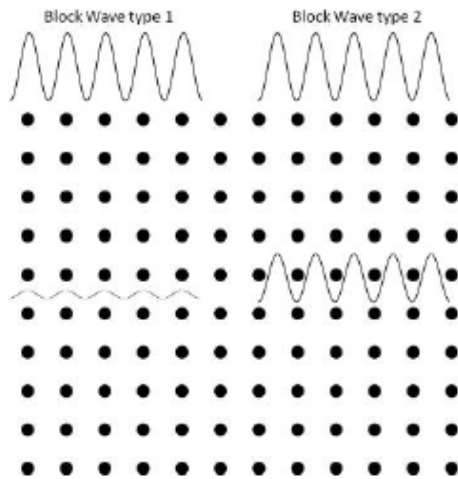
P. Horny, E. Lifshin, H. Campbell and R. Gauvin (2010), "Development of a New Quantitative X-Ray Microanalysis Method for Electron Microscopy", *Microscopy & Microanalysis*, Vol. 16, No. 6, pp. 821-830.

Grain Boundary Diffusion

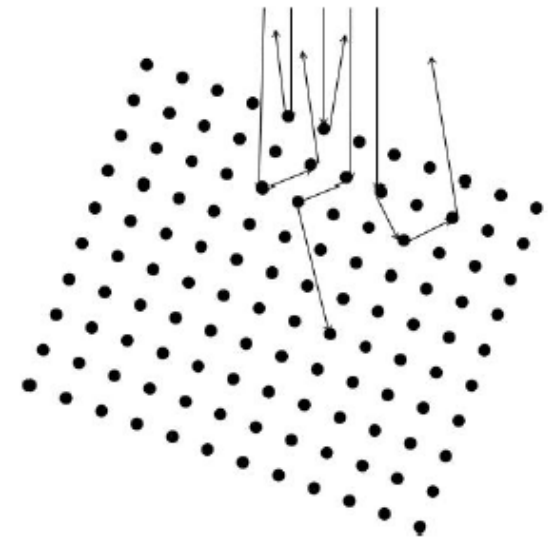


[S. K. Das, N. Brodusch, R. Gauvin and I.-H. Jung \(2014\), "Grain boundary diffusion of Al in Mg", Scripta Materialia, 80, pp. 41-44.](#)

Electron Channelling

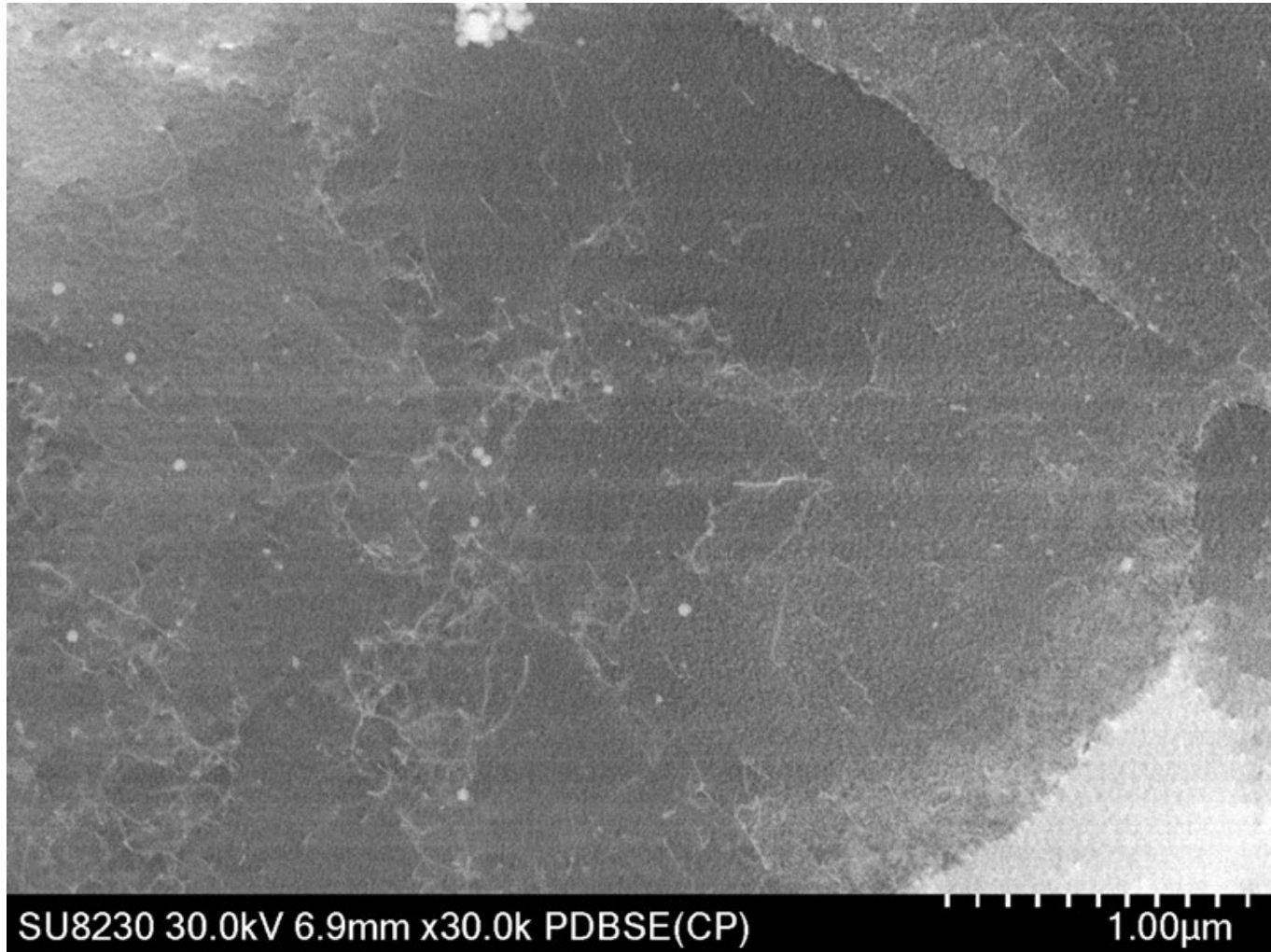


Low retrodiffusion yield

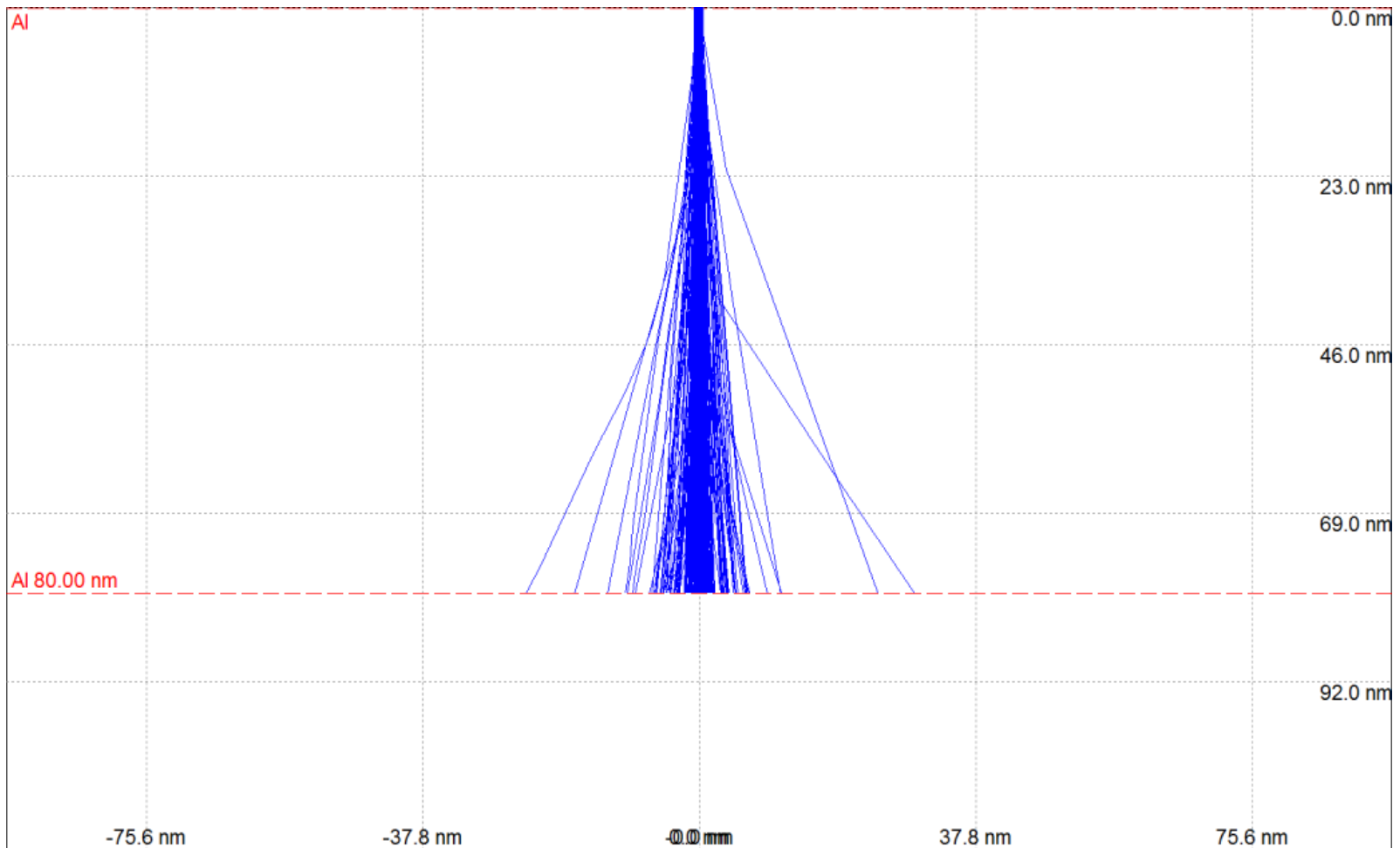


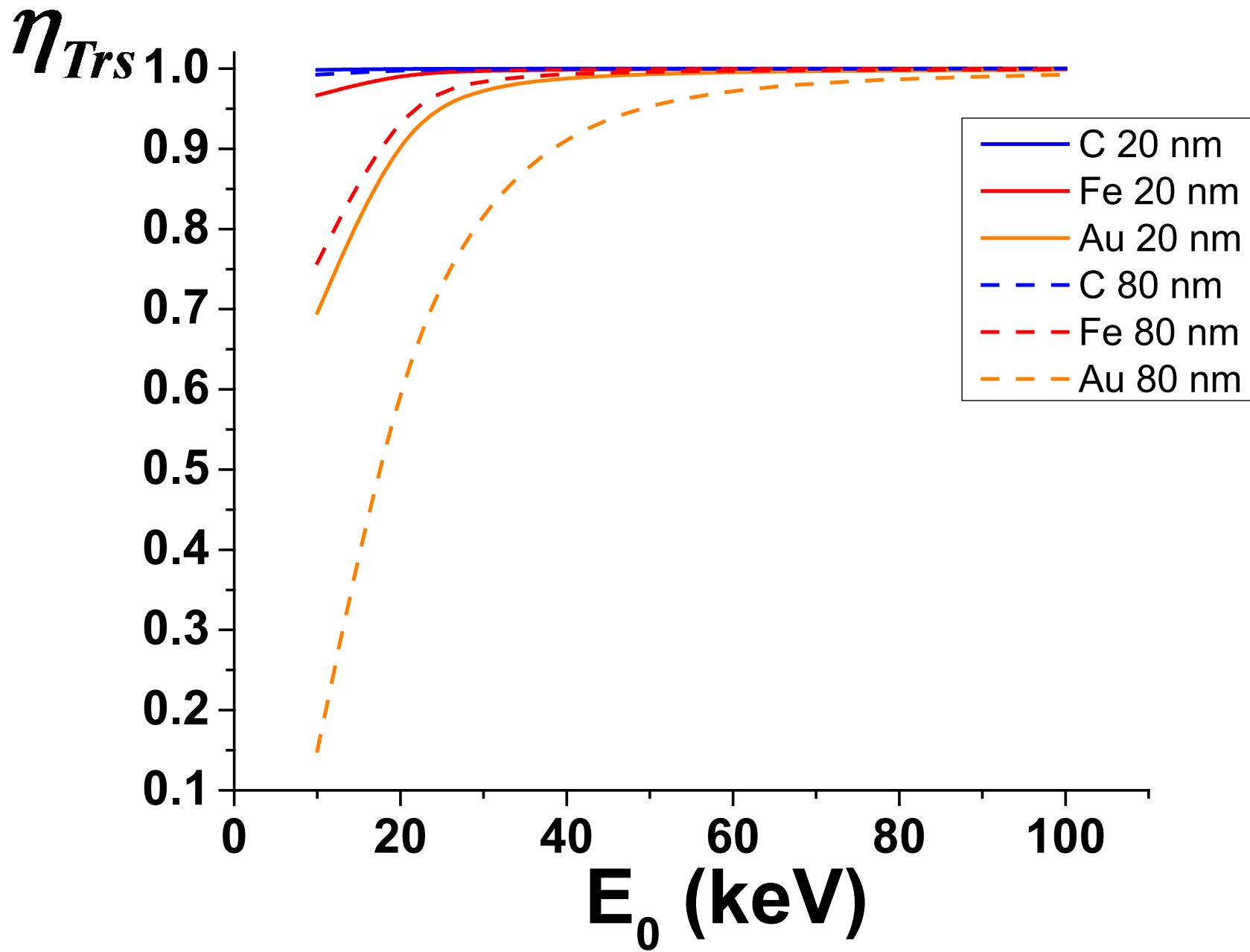
High retrodiffusion yield

!!!Dislocations in SEM!!!

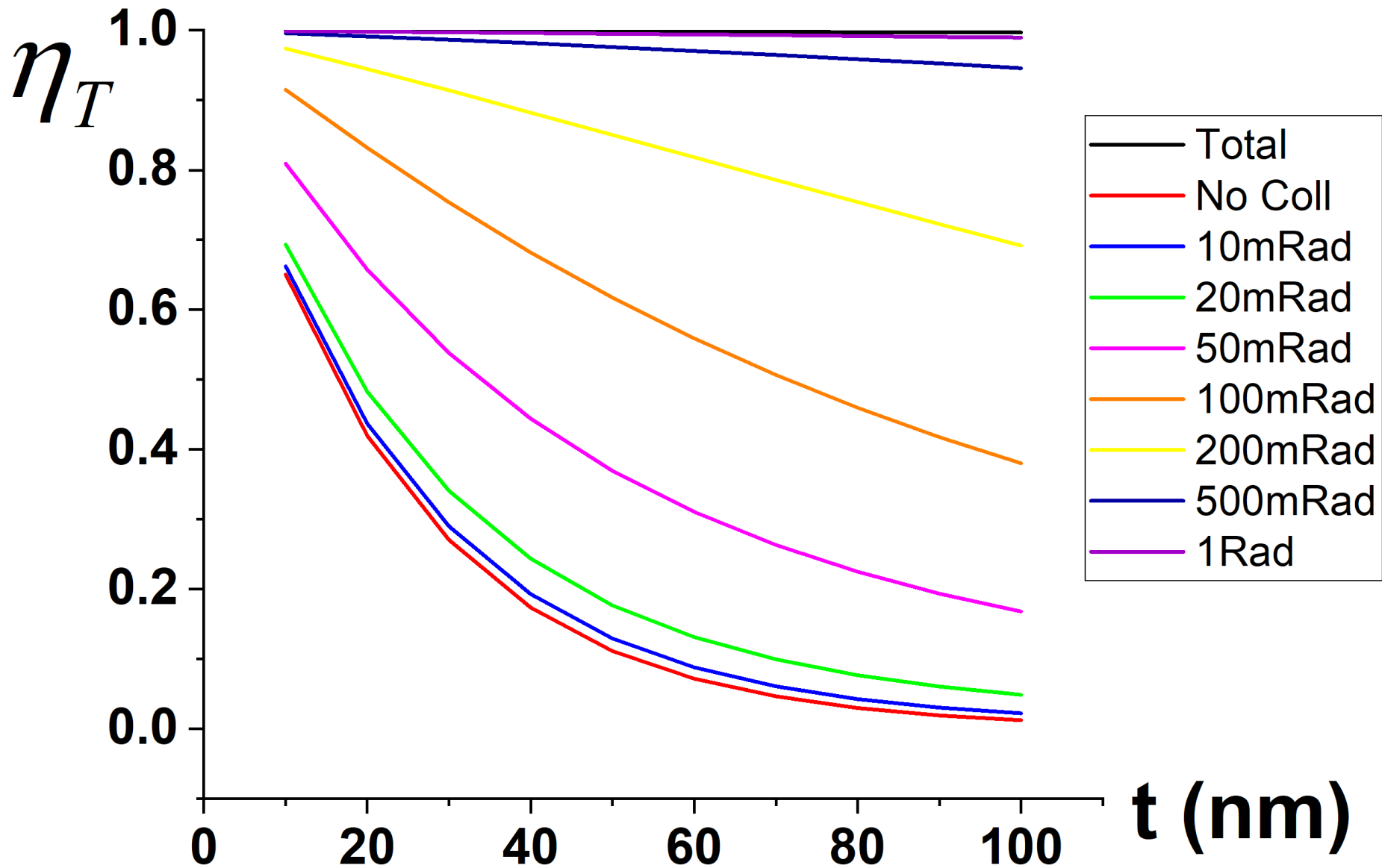


STEM, Al, 30 kV, 80 nm

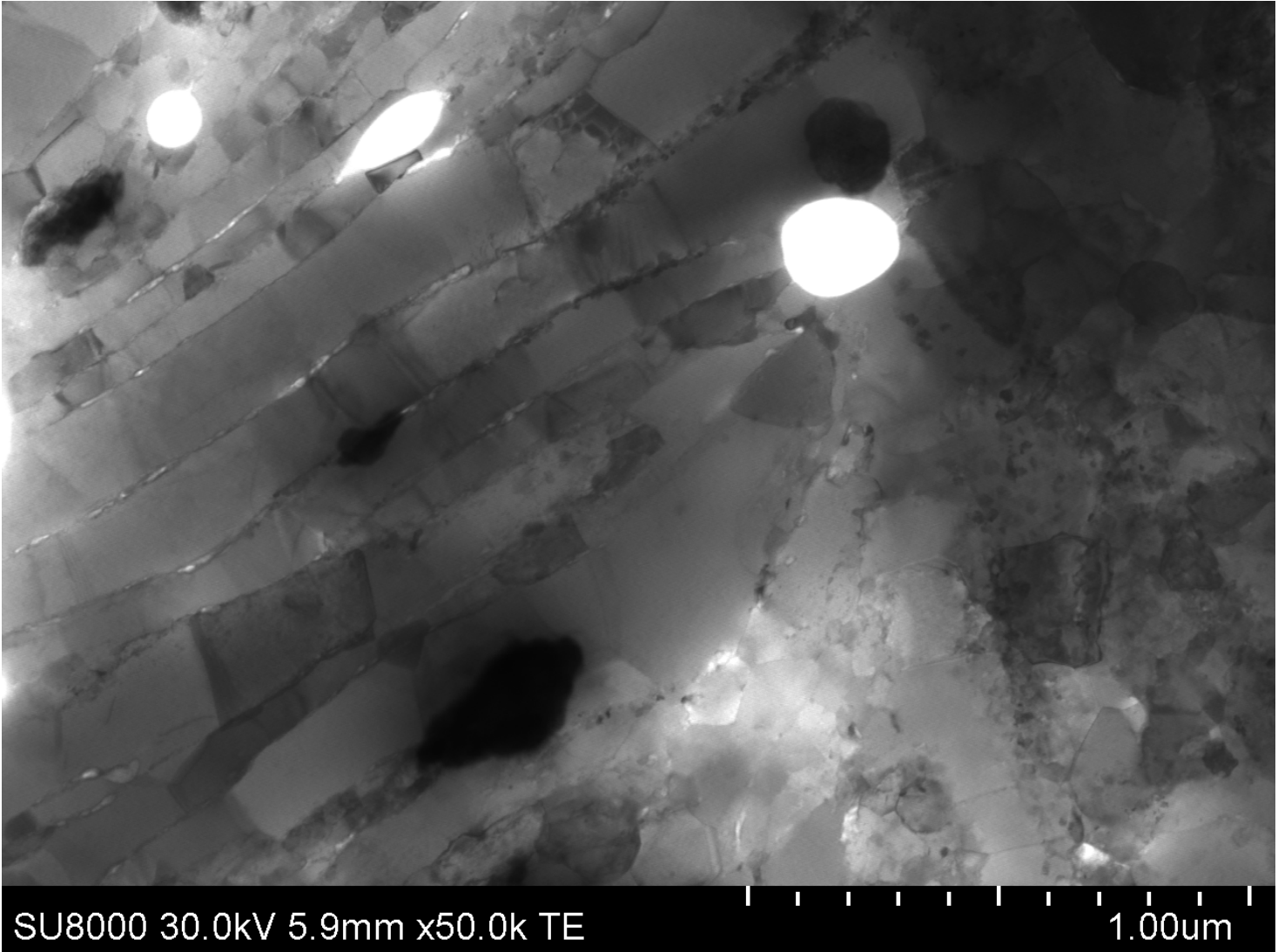




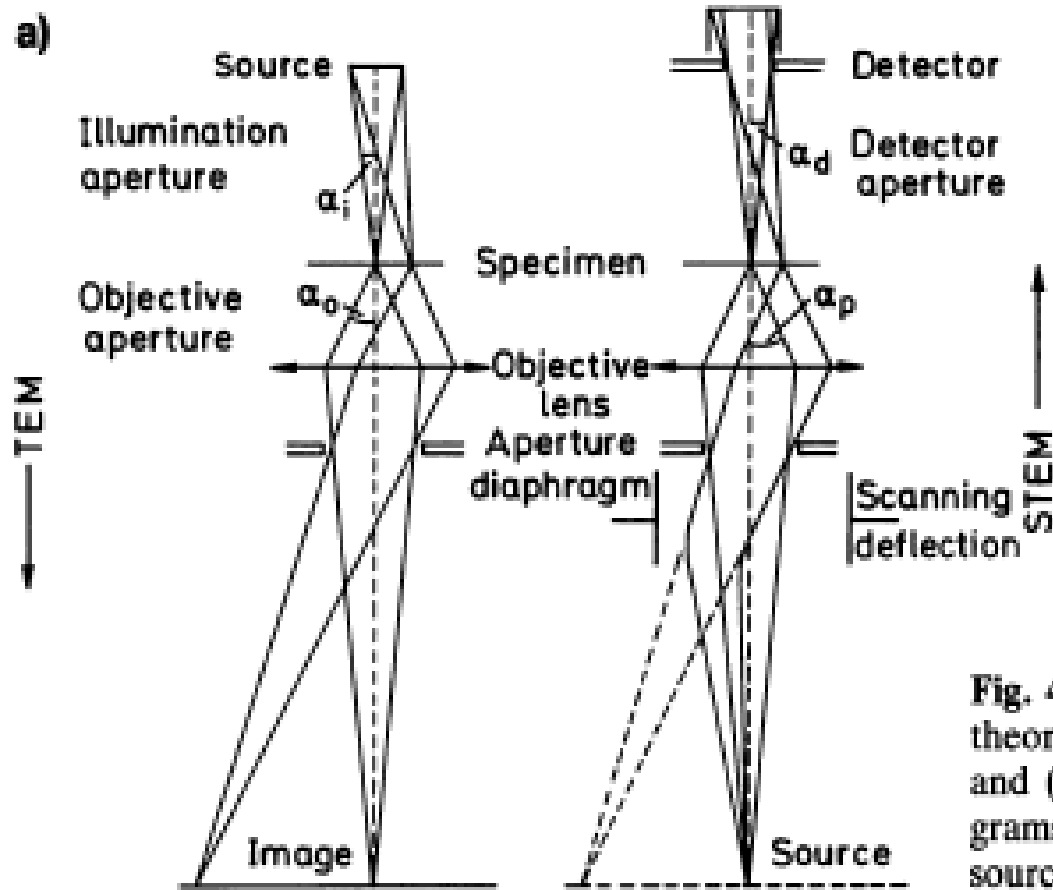
Al, 30 keV



Al –Mg Chips



Reciprocity STEM - CTEM



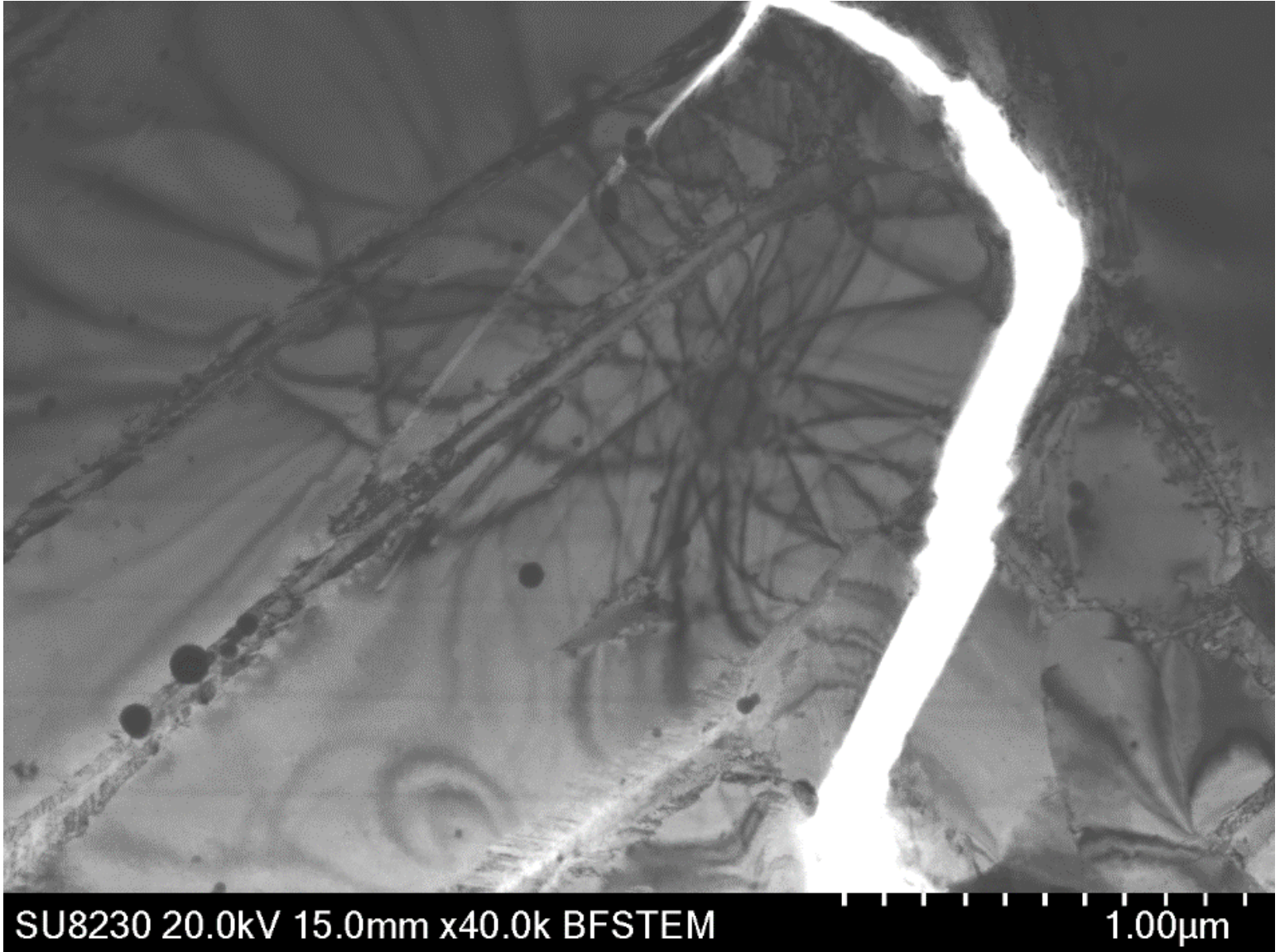
$$\alpha_i = \alpha_d$$

Fig. 4.26 a, b. Demonstration of the theorem of reciprocity for (a) TEM and (b) STEM in terms of ray diagrams connecting the intermediate source and image

From Reimer (1984)

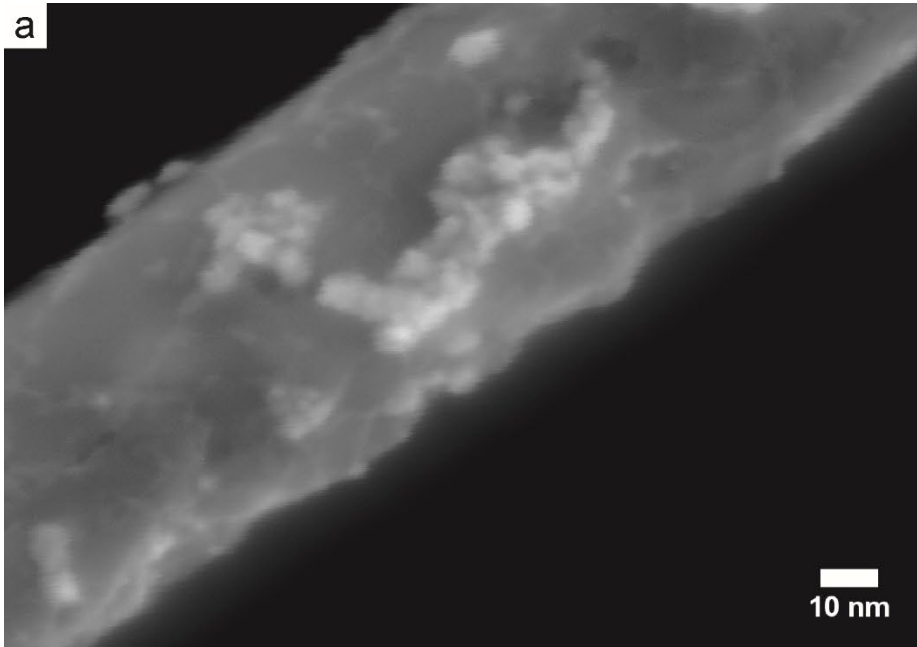
Aperture 3 ($\beta = 3.3$ mrad)

WD = 15 mm

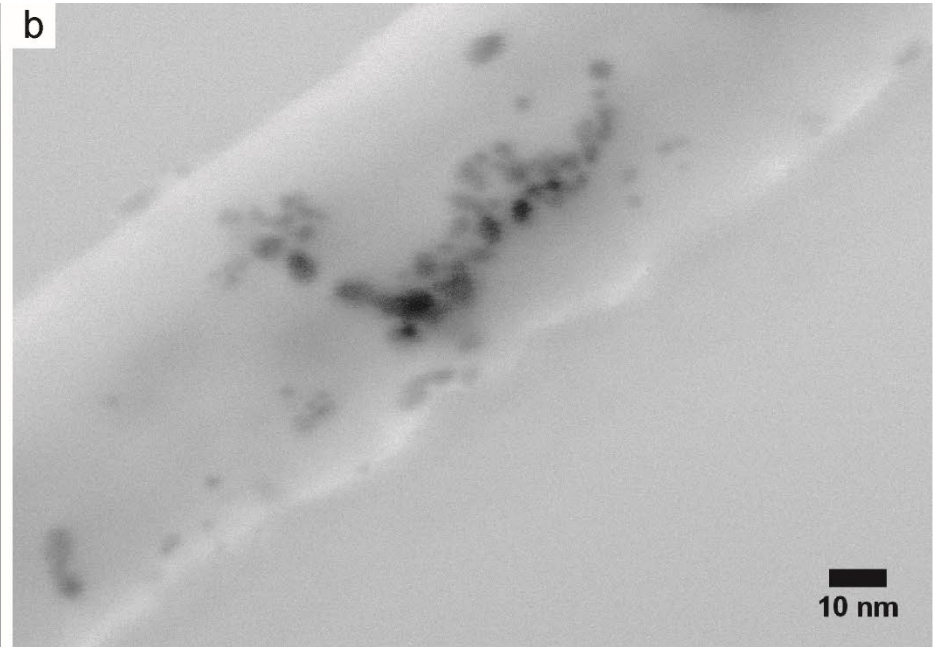


CNT covered with Pt/Ni nanoparticles

$E_0 = 10 \text{ kV}$

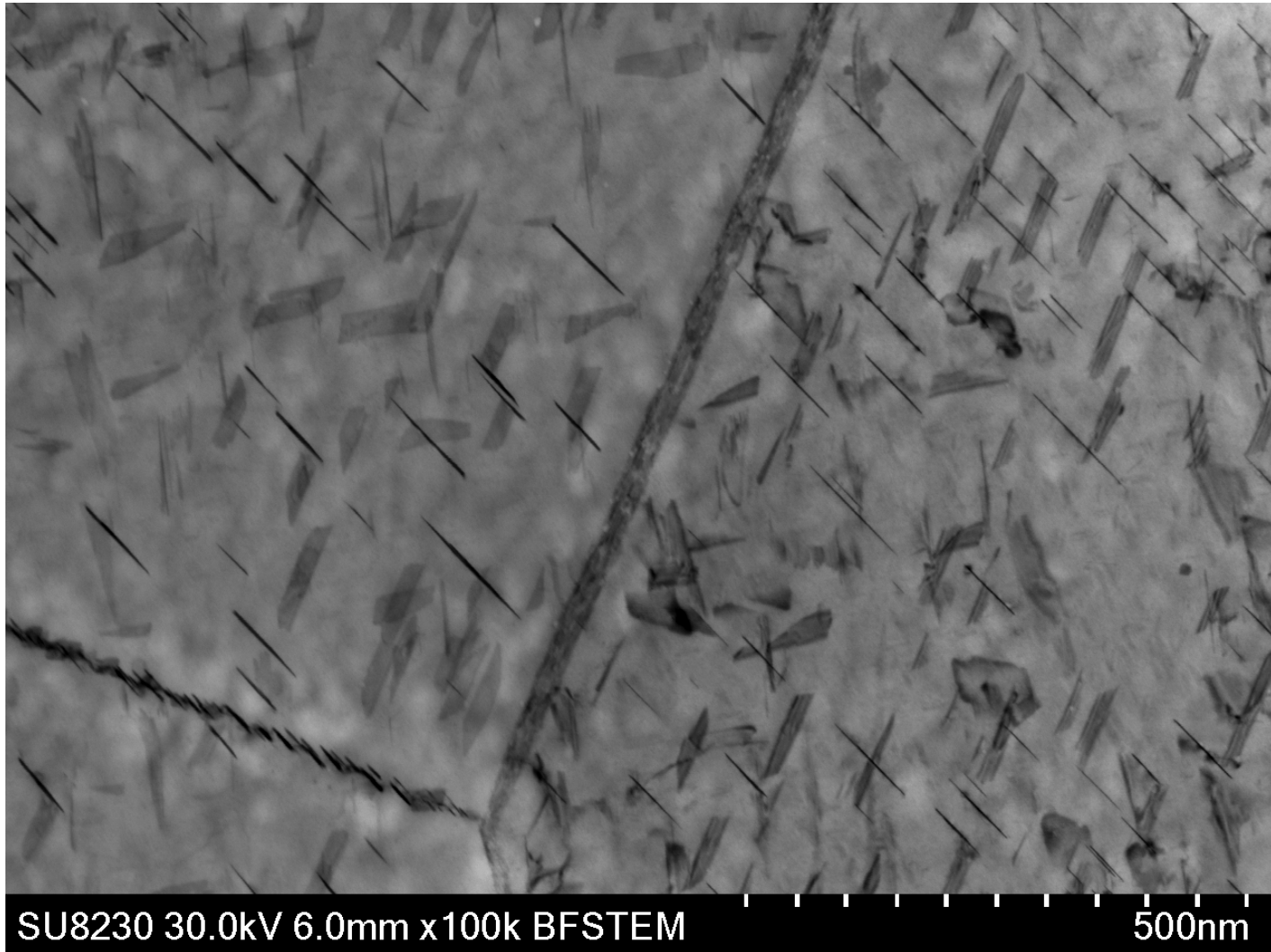


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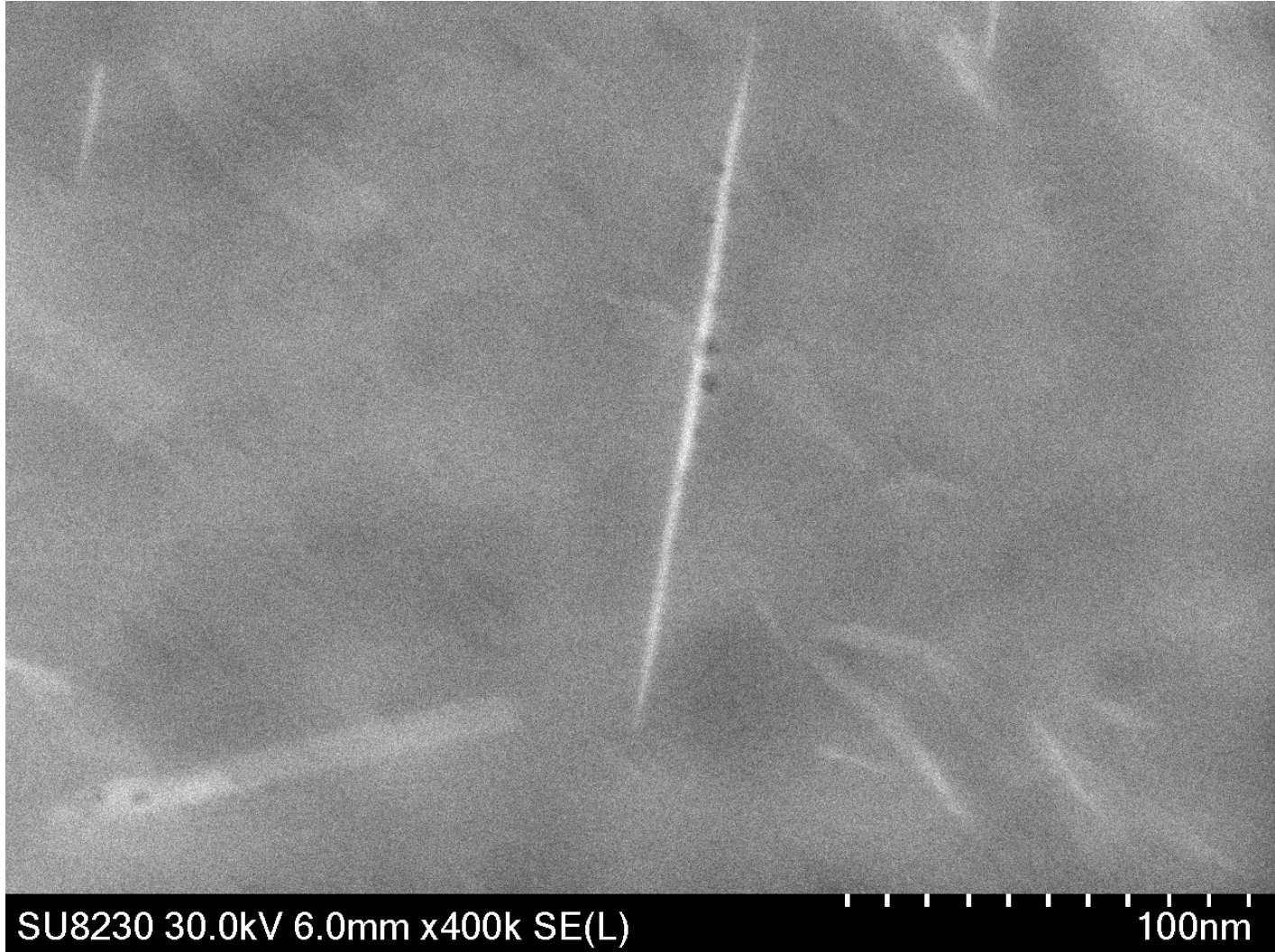


BF

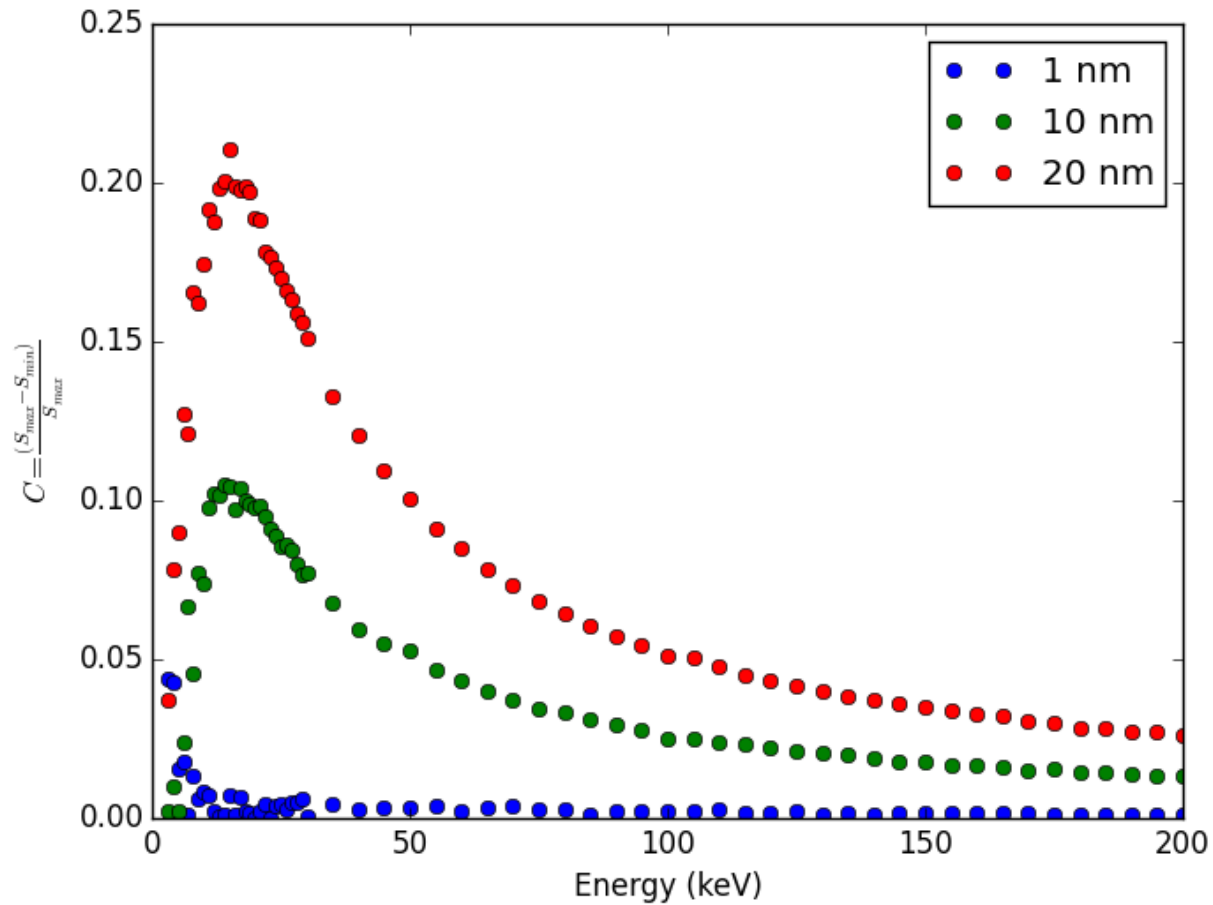
Al 2099, 30 keV, BF



Al 2099, 30 keV, DF



δ' (Al_3Li) in 80 nm Al, 11 M e



Dislocations in Ti-6Al-4V



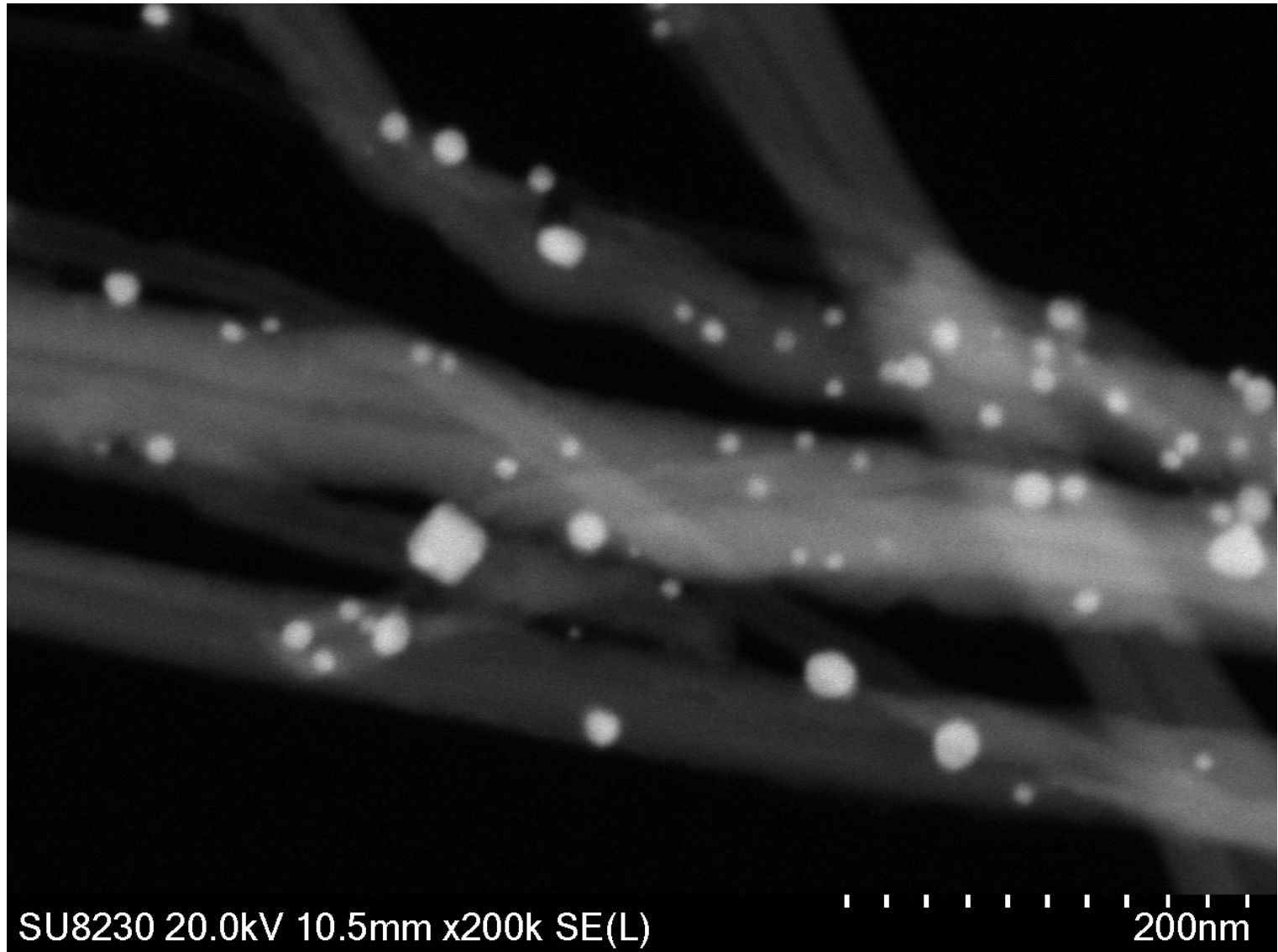
Bruker Flat Quad XFlash 5060F (BFQ)

- Quad detector
 - $4 \times 15 \text{ mm}^2 = 60 \text{ mm}^2$
- Annular design (below objective lens)
- Equipped with Mylar windows
 - Internal window ($1 \mu\text{m}$)
 - Additional $2 \mu\text{m}$ or $6 \mu\text{m}$ windows (on a special changer)
- High count rate capabilities with high collection efficiency



Image from Bruker Nano GmbH.

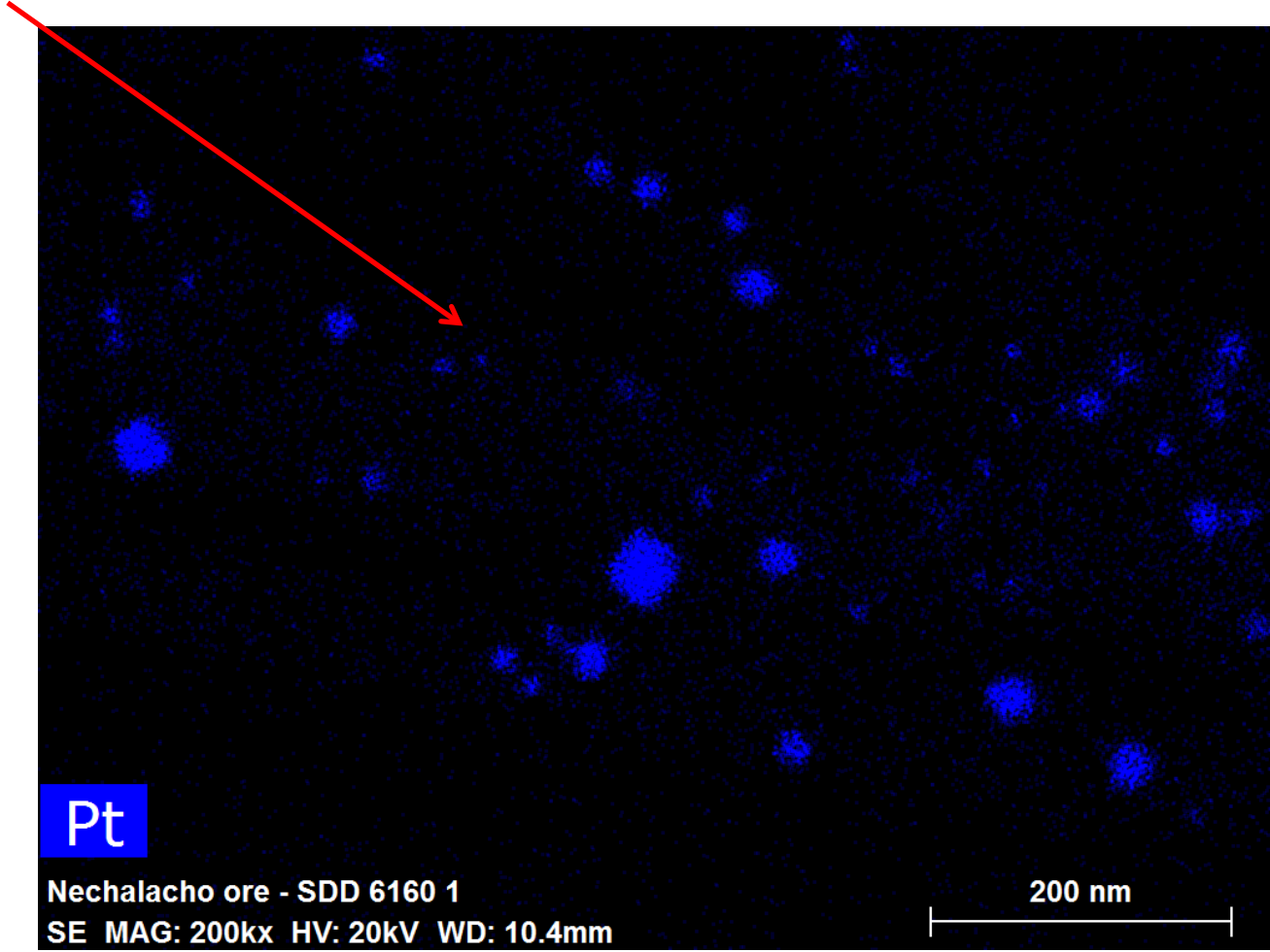
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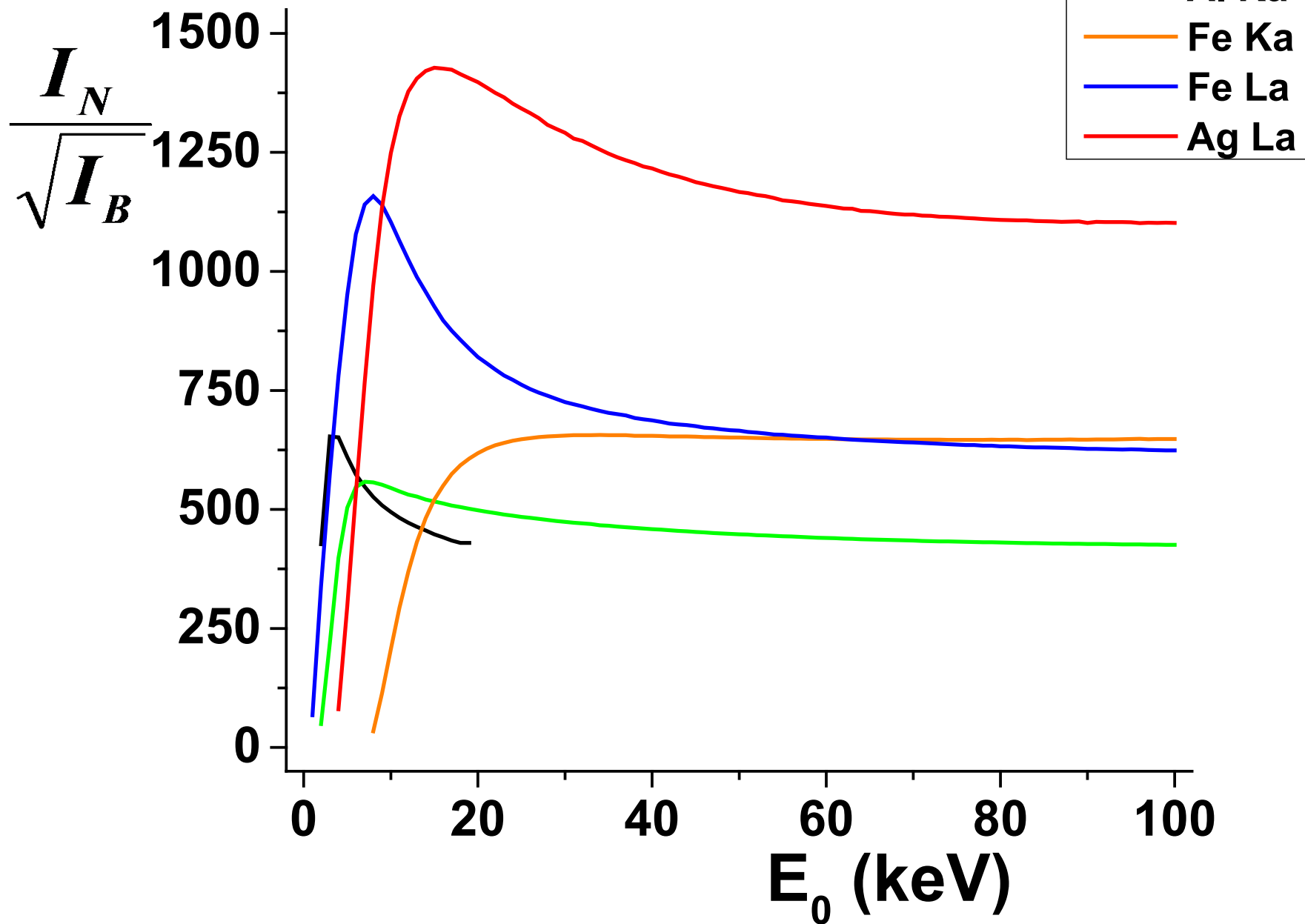


Pt Particulates on WCNT, 7 minutes

6 nm

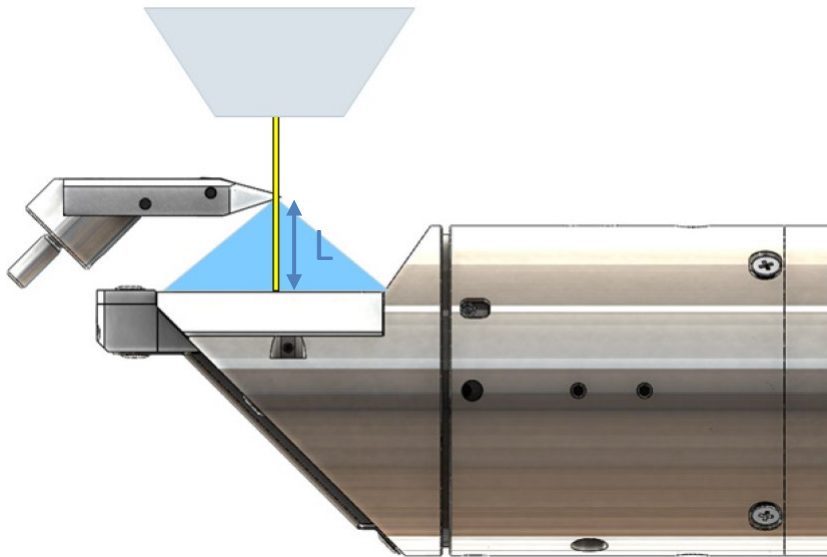


80 nm, 50 000 e, same dose



Electron diffraction in the SEM/STEM (semi-immersion type)

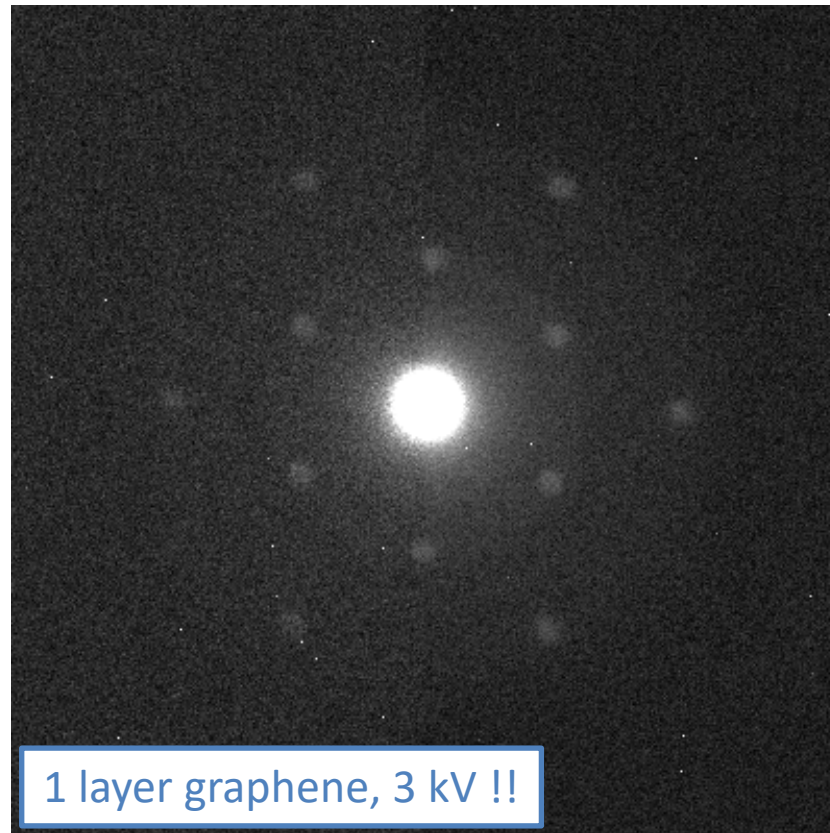
- Convergent beam diffraction (on-axis TKD set-up)



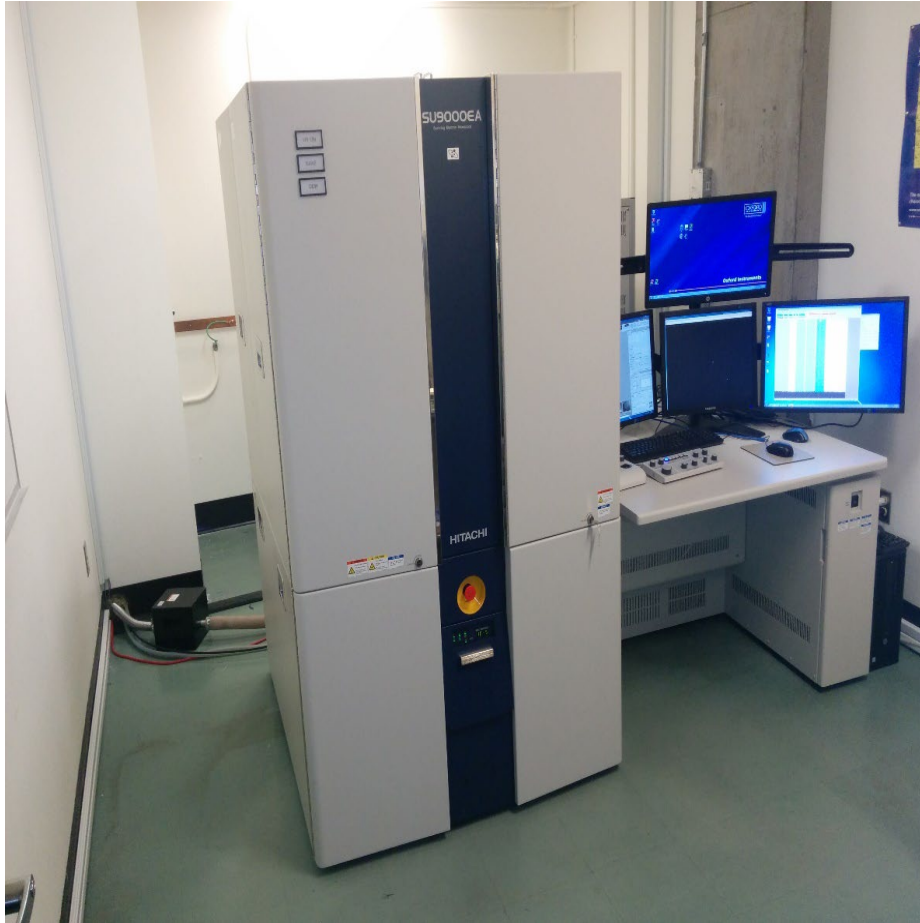
- High sensitivity
- Large collection angle
- Adjustable camera length (L)
- Mapping capability of the EBSD system
- Allows TKD and CBED

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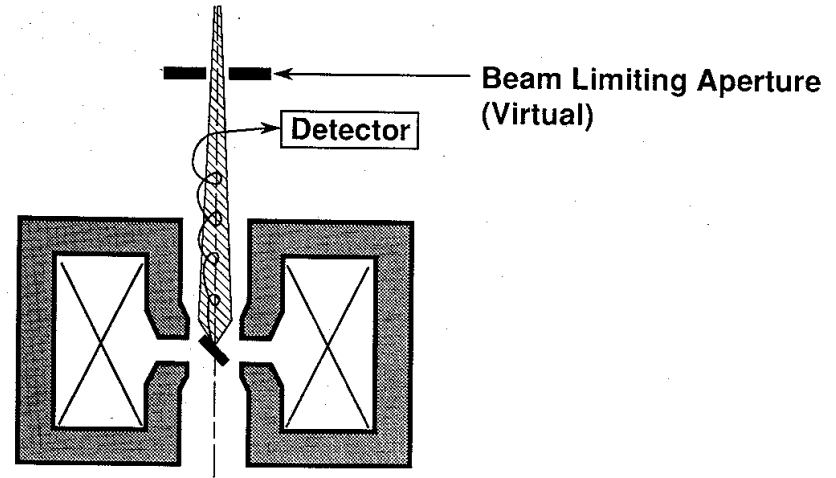


SU-9000EA STEM (2017)

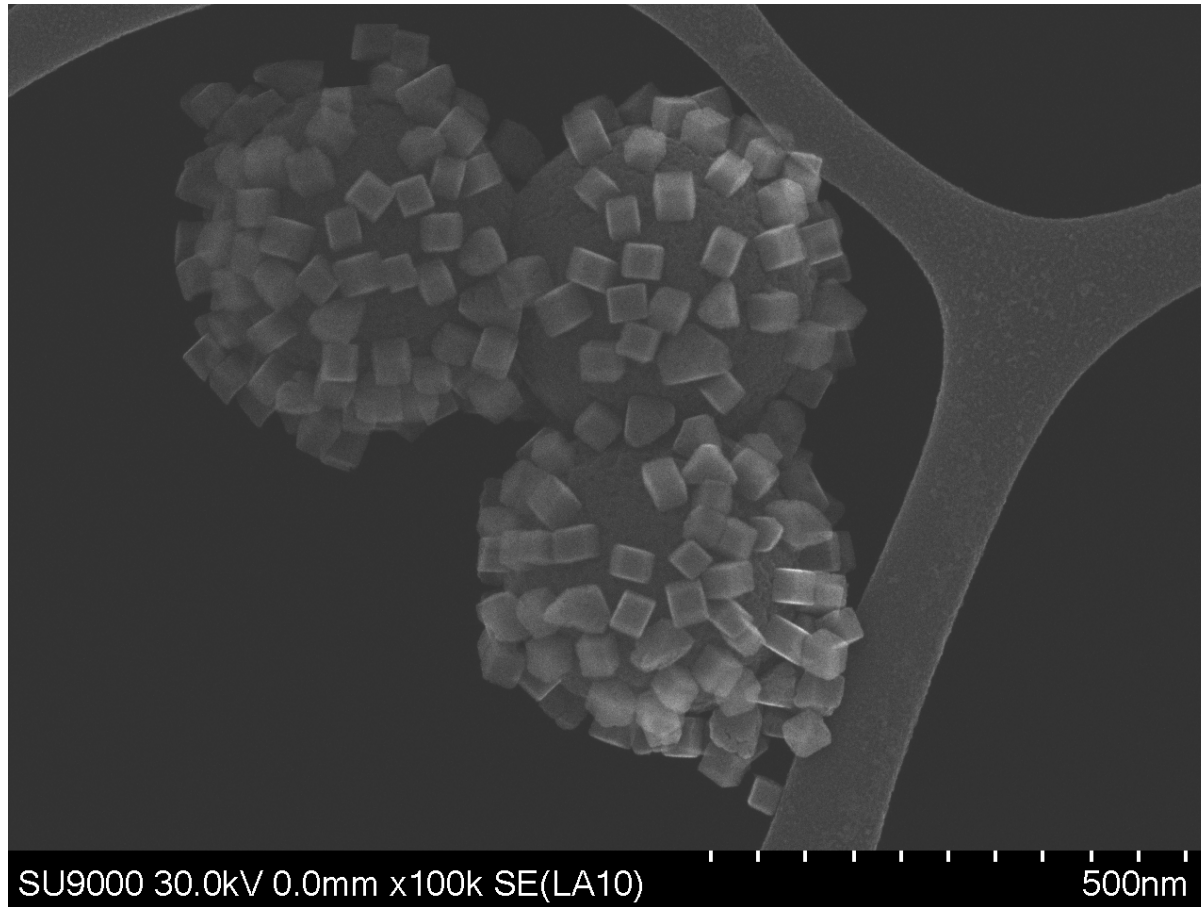


Symmetrical Immersion Lens with Analytical Design

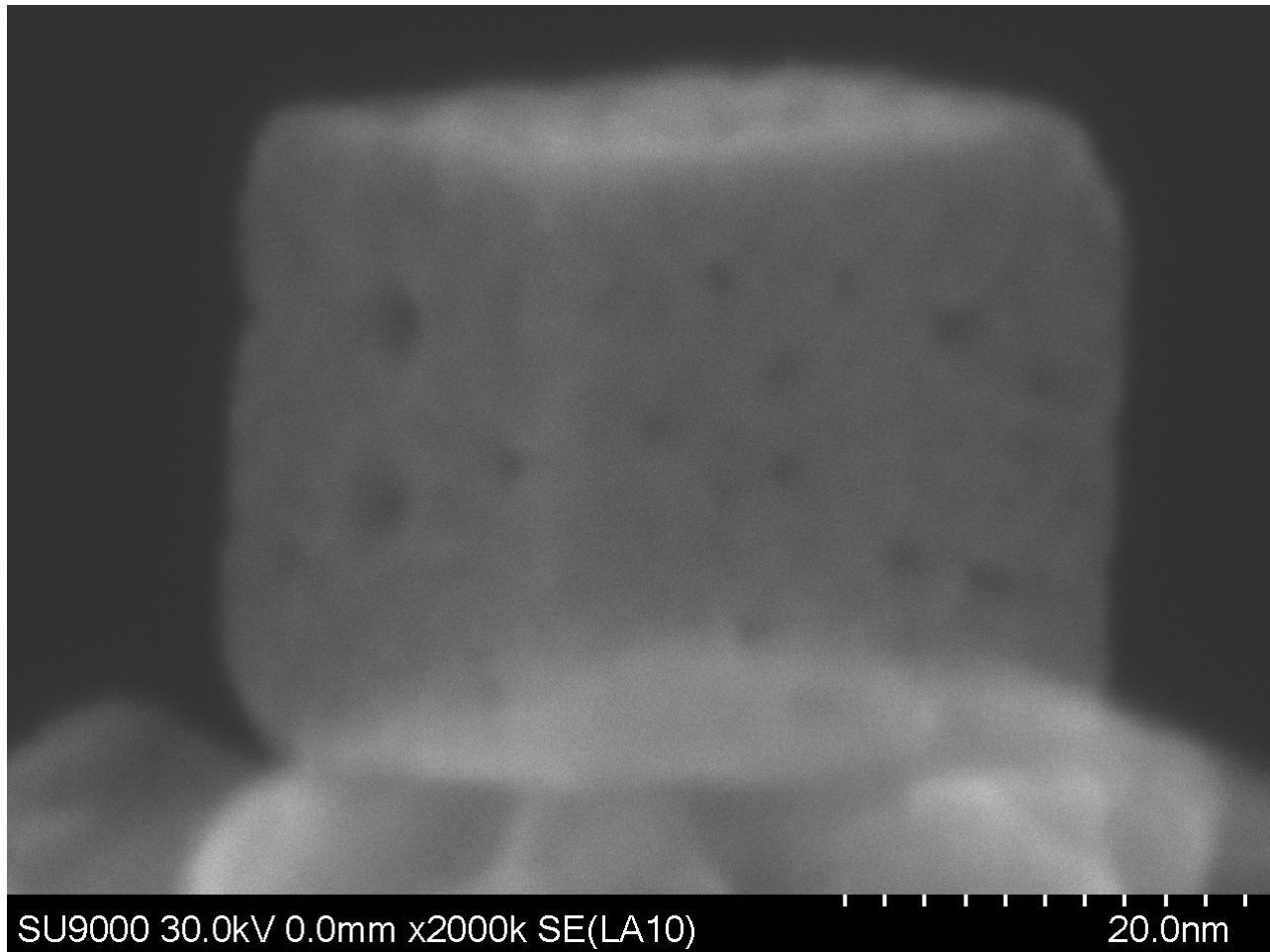
- Small specimen, 3mm or less of radius.
- Small focal length, 3 mm, low aberrations coefficients, smaller probe diameter.
- SE electrons spirals above the lens because of strong magnetic field.
- Highest resolution lens.
- 0.7 Sr Solid Angle for Extreme EDS Detector.



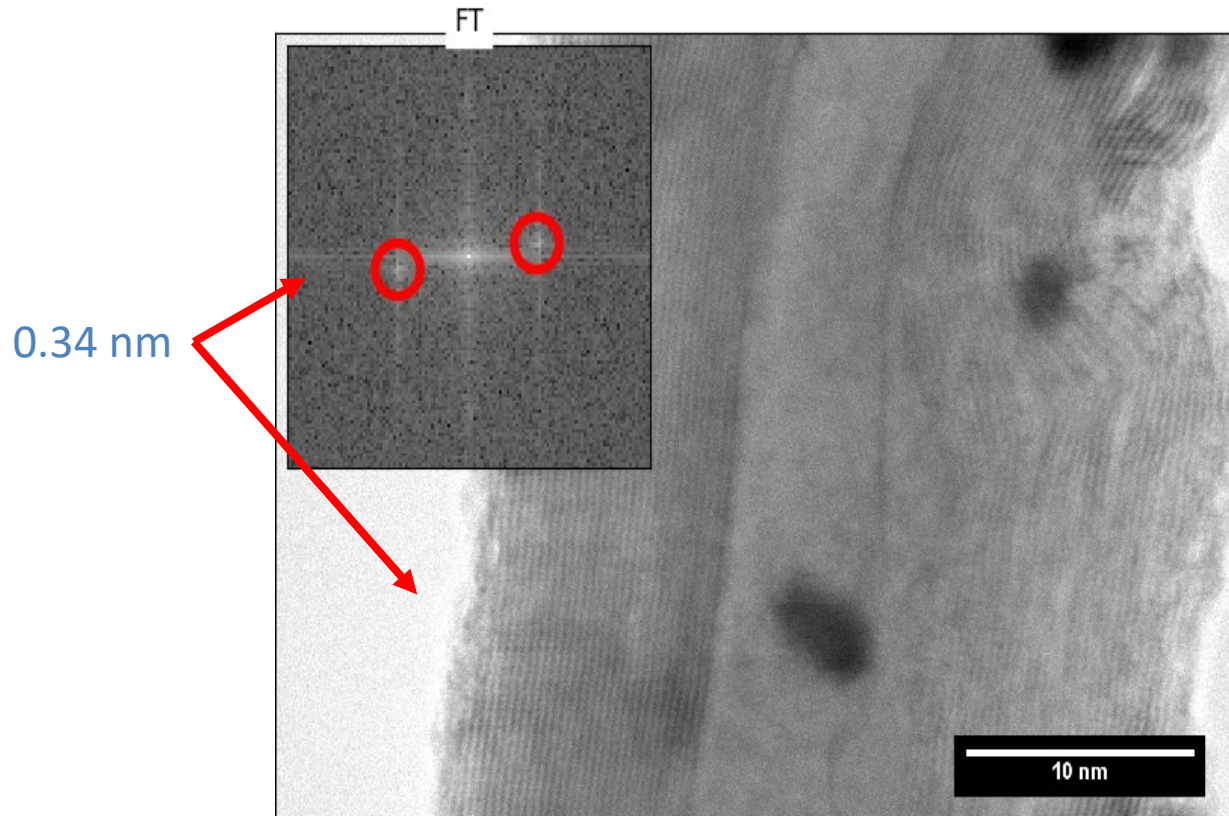
Fe₂O₃ Nanocubes



Fe₂O₃ Nanocubes

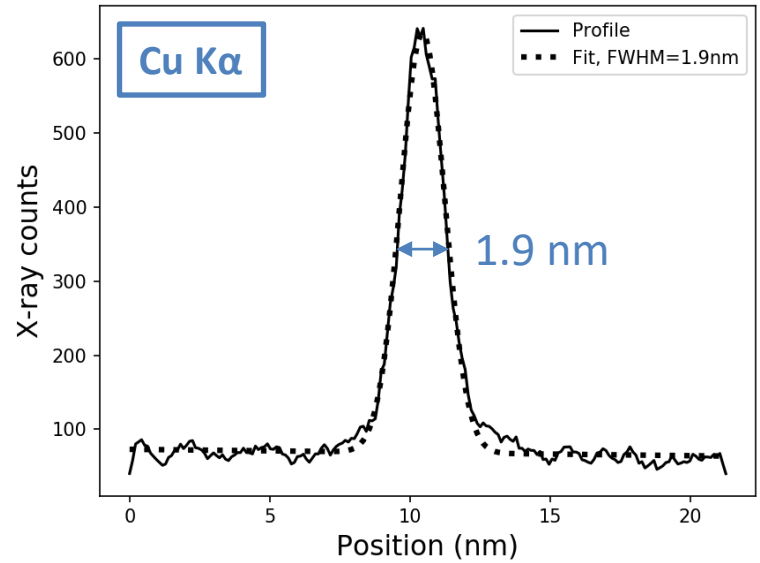
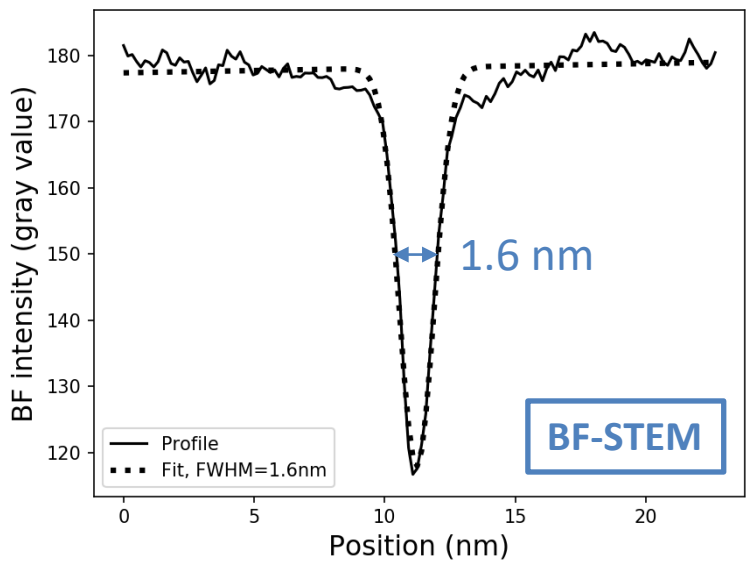
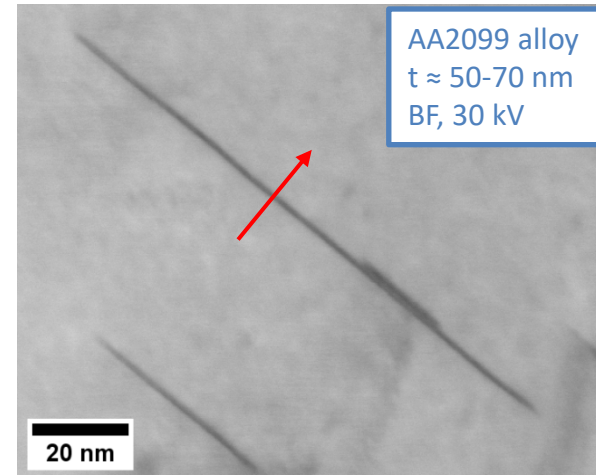


Lattice Imaging of Ni-Pt CNT



Spatial Resolution with x-rays – 30 kV

- T1 (Al_2CuLi) precipitates in Al-Li-Cu alloys $\approx 1 - 2$ nm thick
- 1.6 nm in BF imaging
- 1.9 nm across a T1 precipitate at 30 kV with $\text{Cu K}\alpha$



Plasmon-Enhanced Hydrogenation of 1-Dodecene and Toluene Using Ruthenium-Coated Gold Nanoparticles

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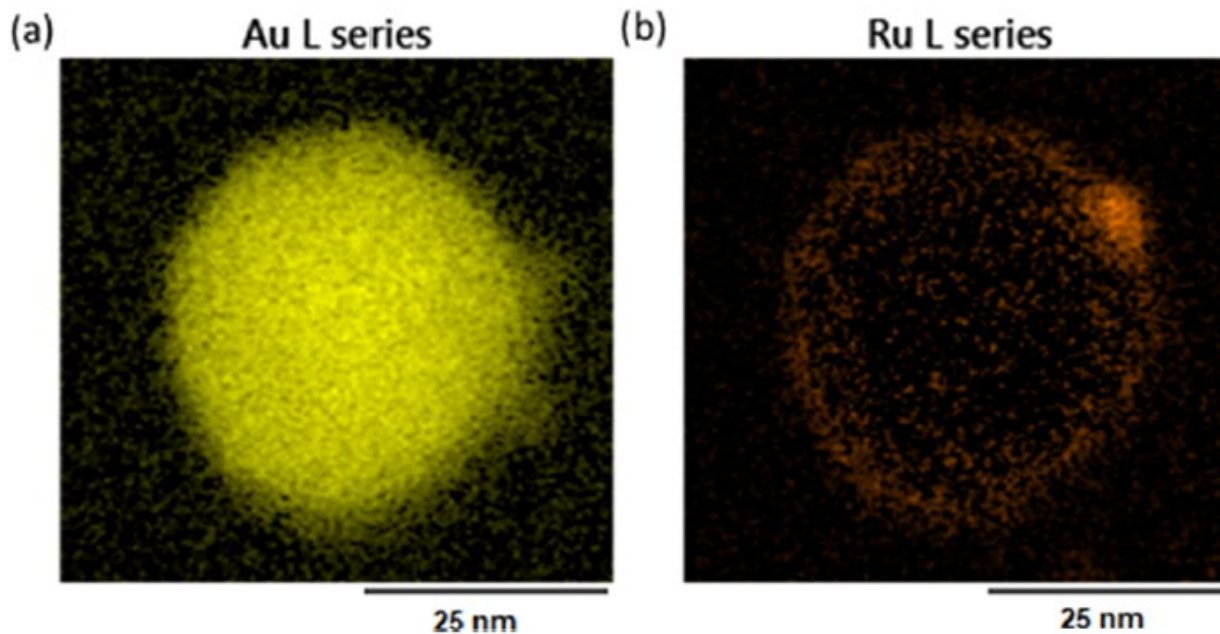
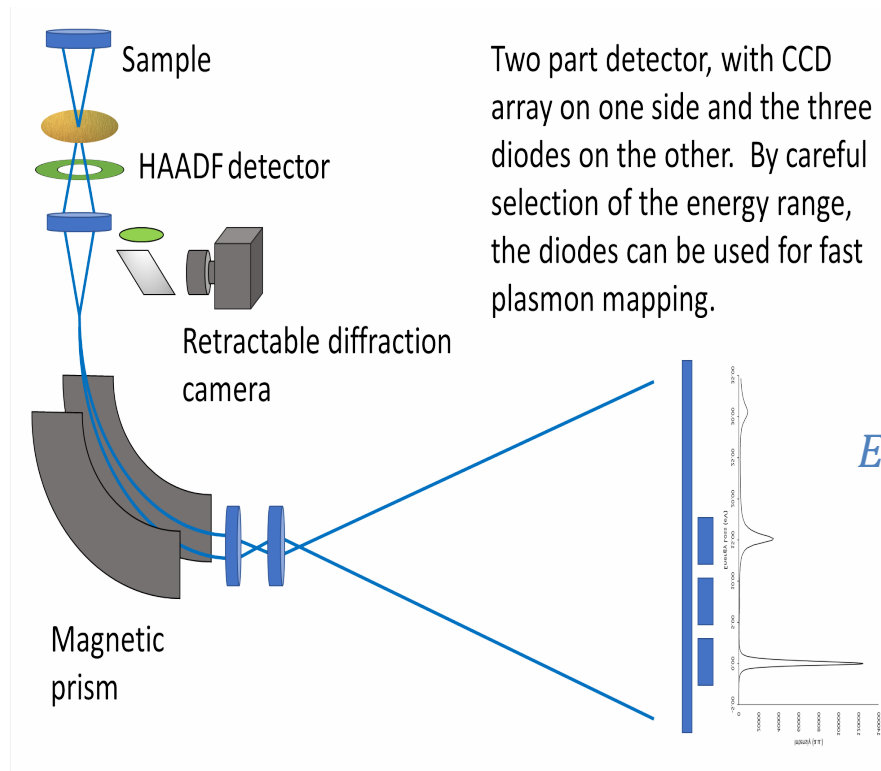


Figure 3. STEM-EDS images of Au@Ru NP. (a) Au L signal, (b) Ru L signal.

SU-9000 - EELS Detector



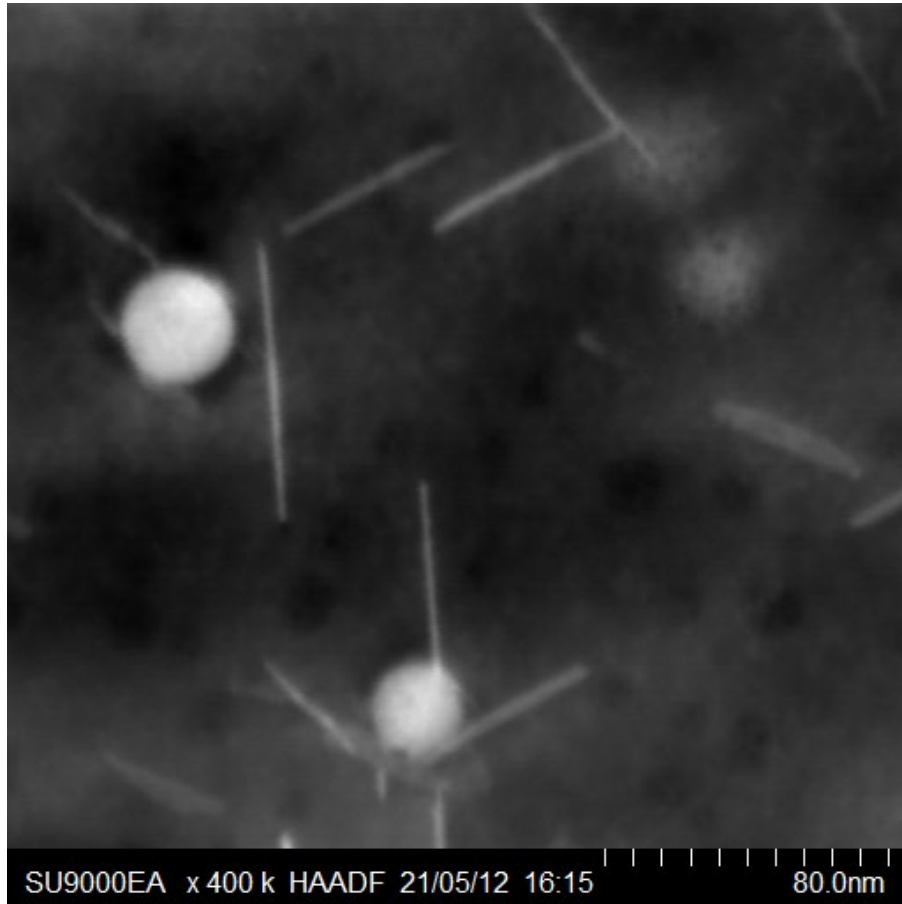
$$r = \frac{mv}{eB}$$

$$E \cong \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad (E \leq 30 \text{ keV})$$

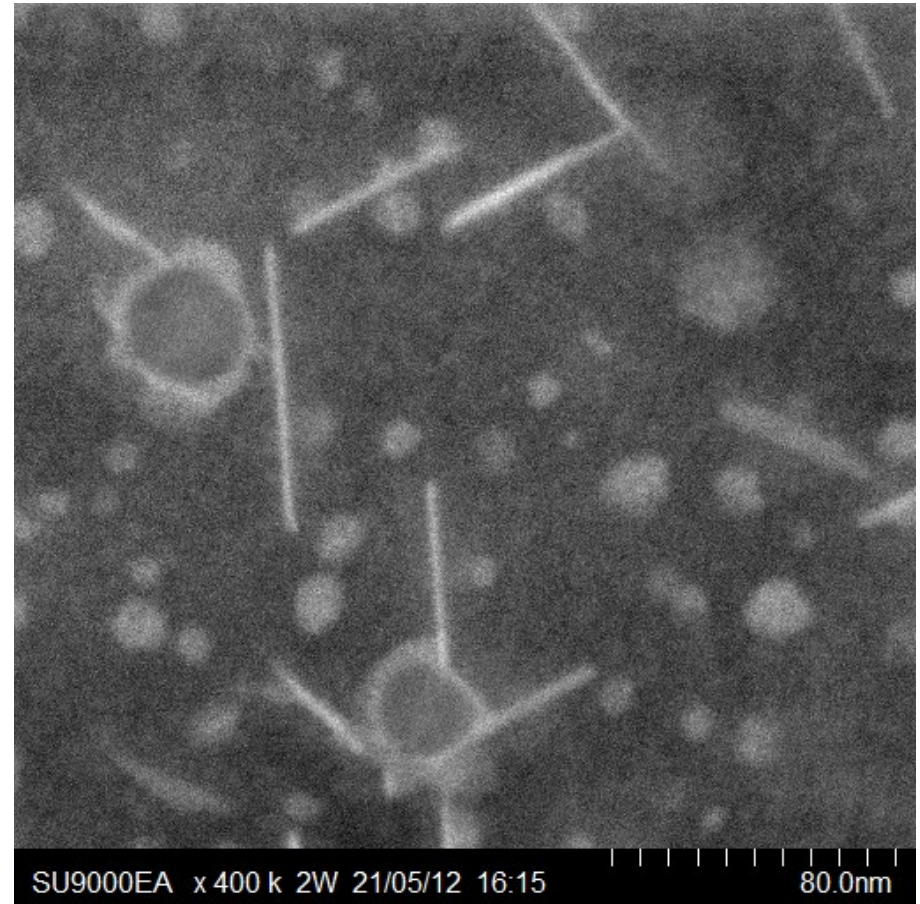
$$E = mc^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} - 1 \right)$$

Figure 1: Simplified diagram of the microscope, showing the HAADF detector, the diffraction camera and the dual mode EELS/EF-STEM detector.

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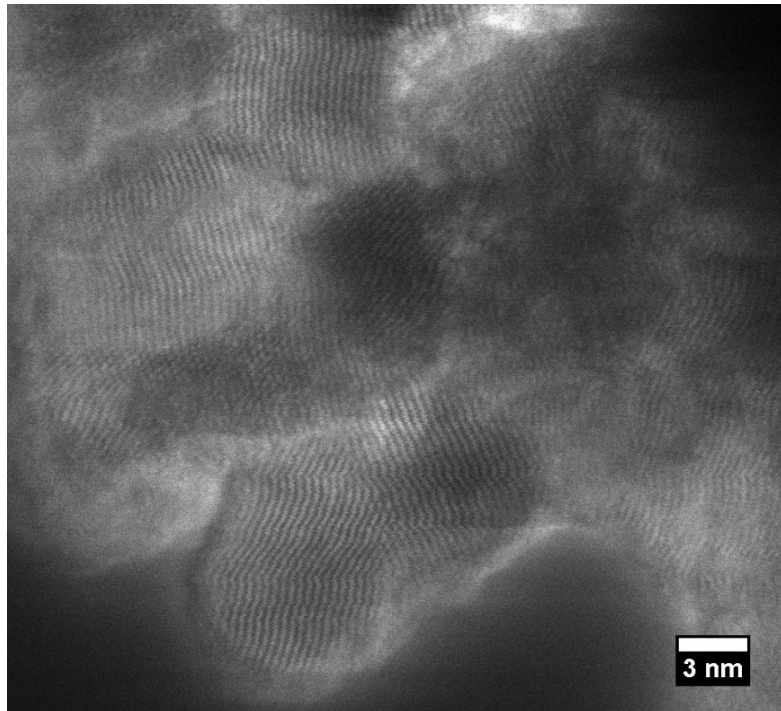
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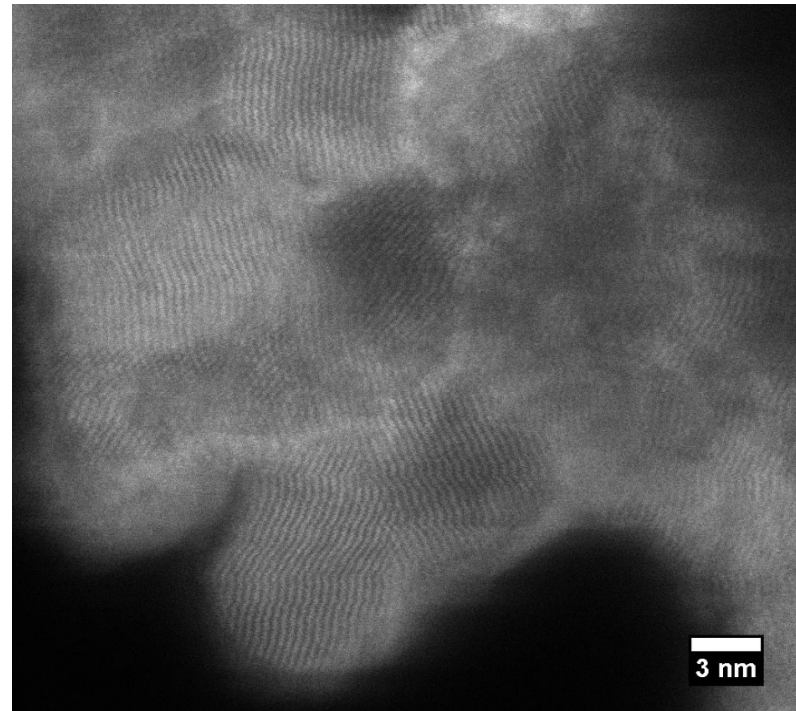
Li Jump Ratio

EELS Lattice Imaging of TiO₂

Surface Plasmon (2)



Bulk Plasmon (3)



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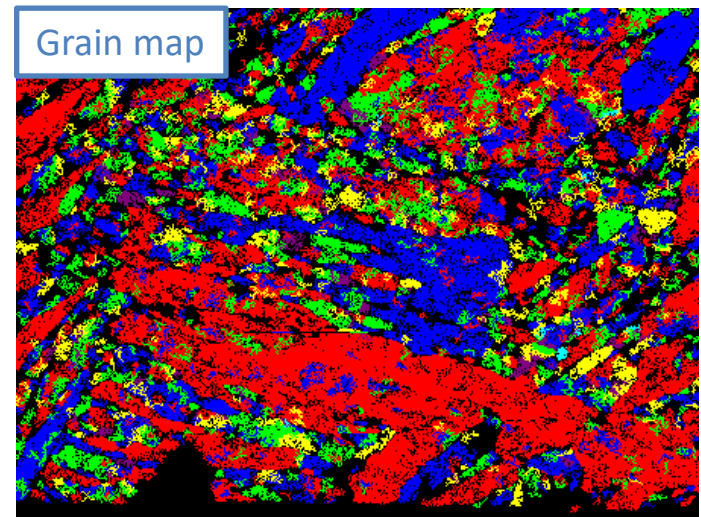
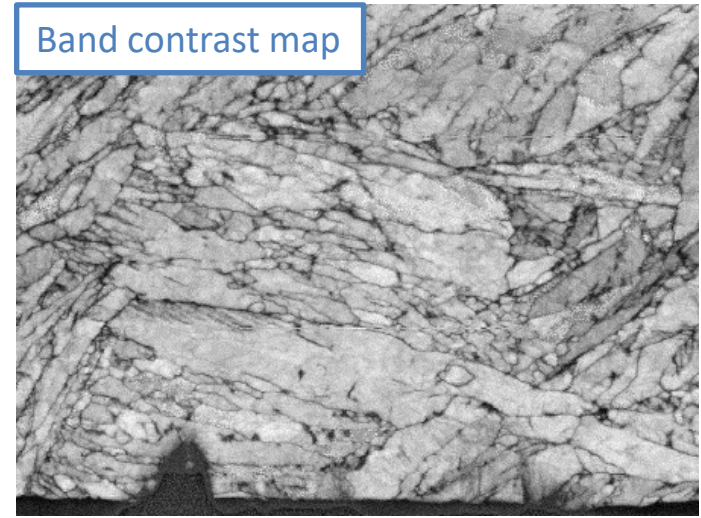
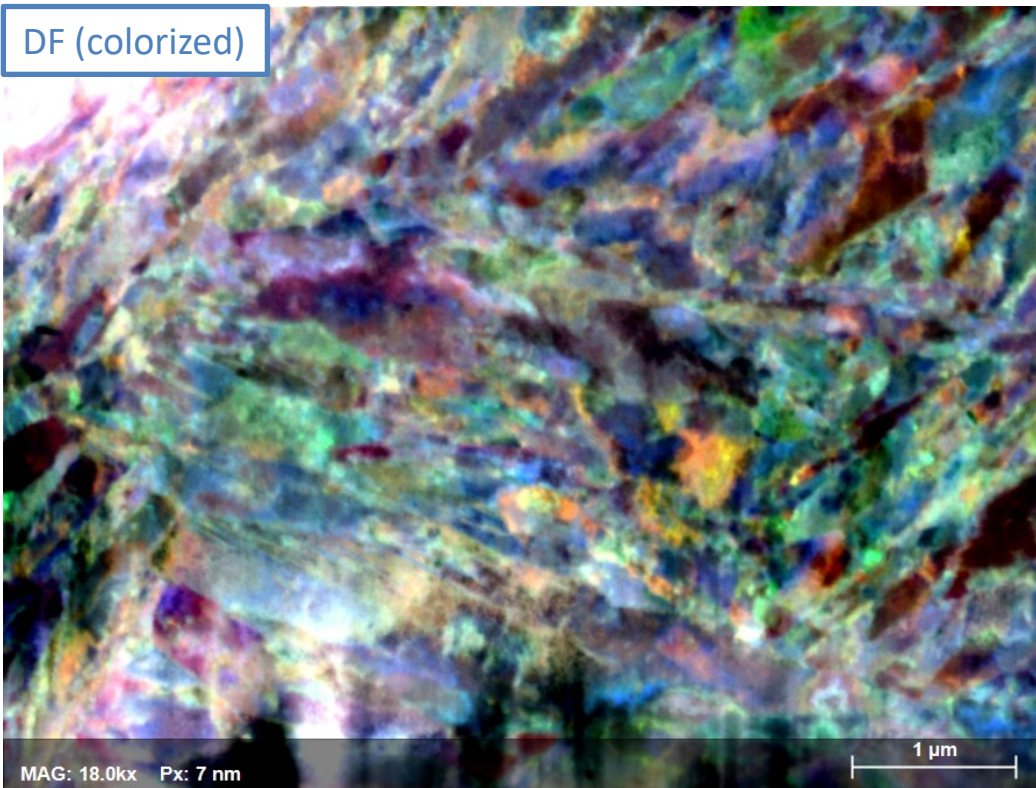
Low C Martensitic Steel. Pr. Yue

100 nm thin film – 30 keV



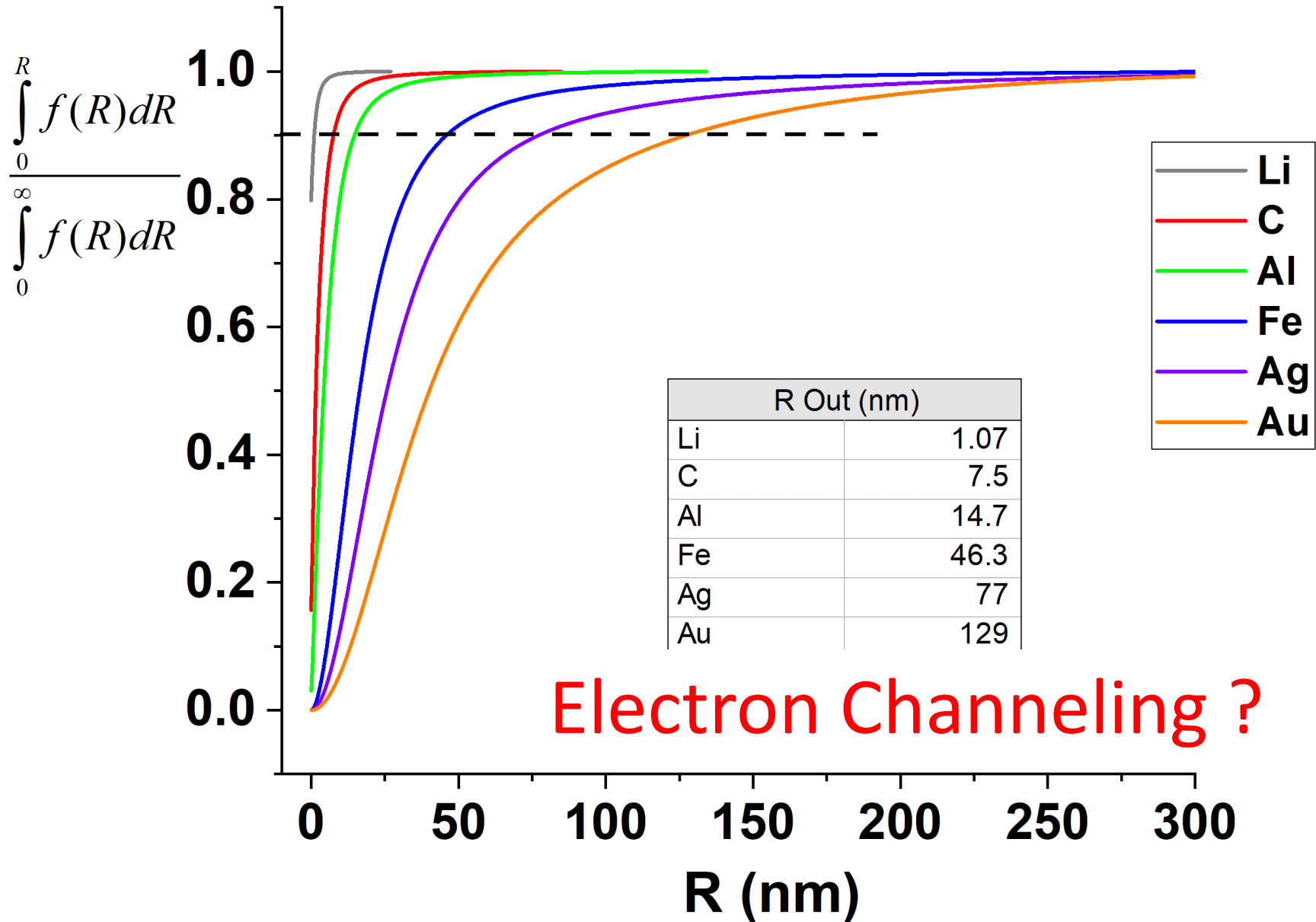
SU – 8230 EBSD in Transmission

TKD map on low carbon martensitic steel
(T. Das / S. Yue)



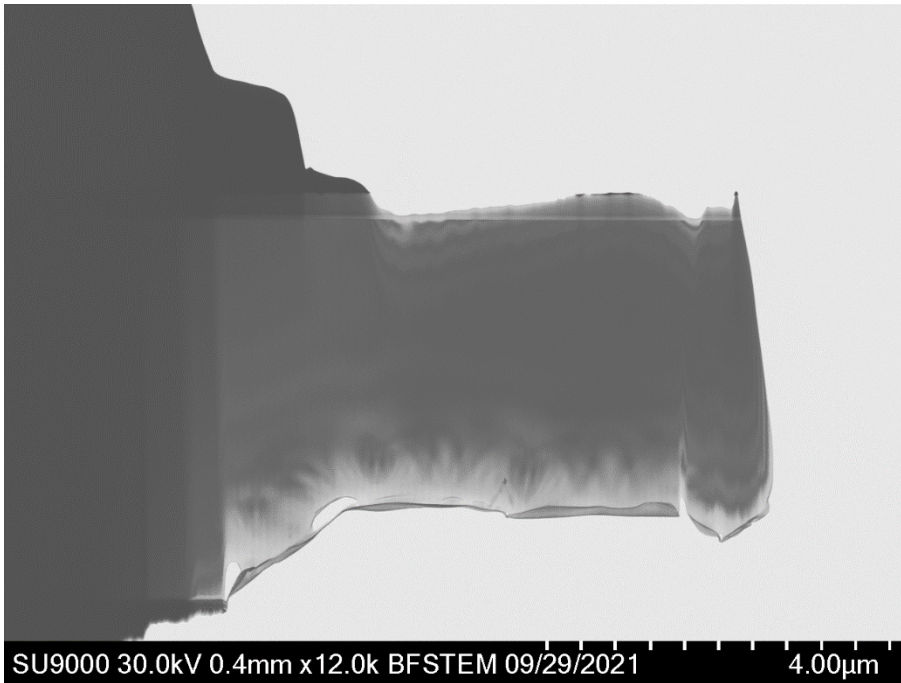
Smallest grains 10 – 15 nm

30 keV, D = 1 nm , t = 80 nm, 5 Me

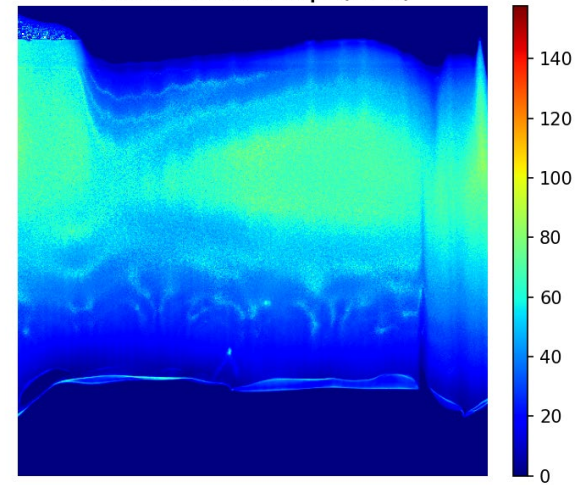


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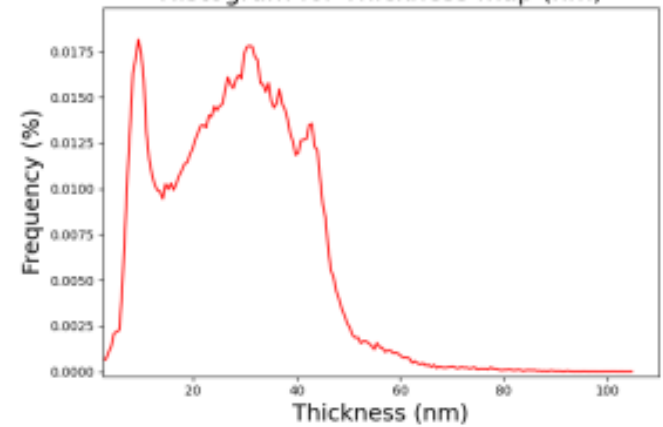
SU9000 at 30keV



Thickness map (nm)

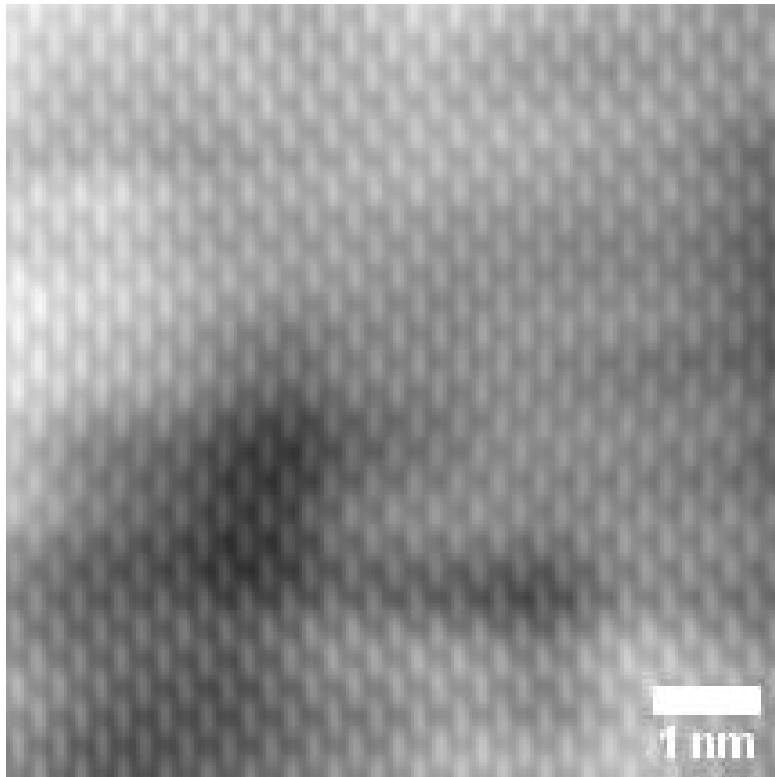


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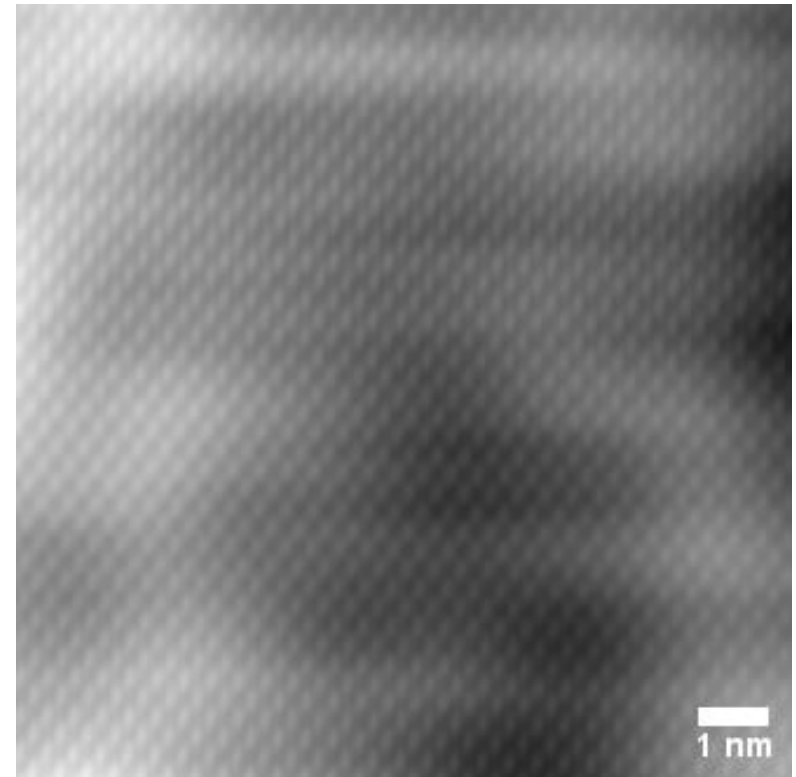


Si, (022) planes, 30 keV

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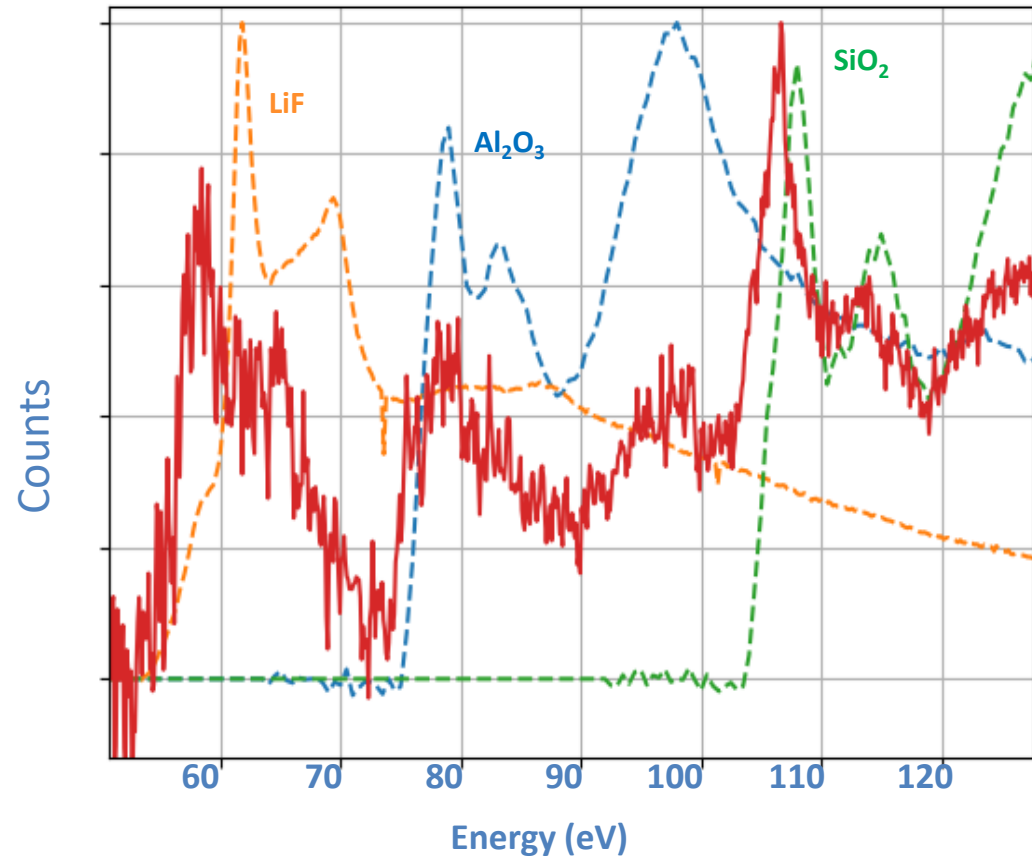
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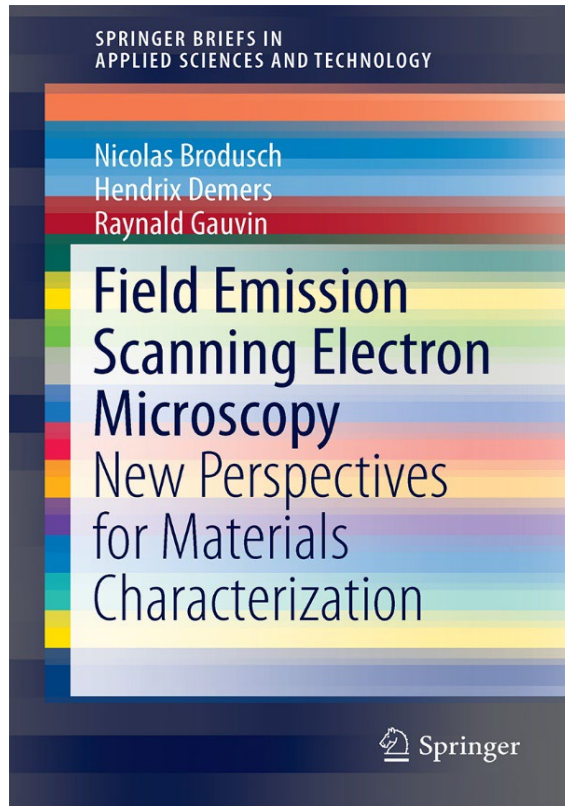
Lattice spacing of 0,19 nm.

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