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# IEE OVERVIEW

## 2023 – Sample Batches investigated:

Deposition: *STFC Daresbury*    Laser treatment: *Riga Technical Uni*

- Laser-treated **Nb** films on **Cu** substrates – *3.2.2023 series*

prepared at *STFC Daresbury*:

- **V<sub>3</sub>Si** films on **Cu** and **Sapphire** substrates – *16.3.2023 series*

# Lasered Nb/Cu samples

## Table-summary

	Sample	Ben [Oe] (2% crit. at 4.22 K)		Tc [K]
		Perpend	Parallel	
Nb / Cu	0_Non_irr		240	9.25
	1_Atm_Laser_max		90	9.15
Arturs RTU	2_Atm_Laser_min		310	9.1
3.2.2023 series	3_Argon_Laser_max		-	7 ?
	4_Argon_Laser_min		-	7 ?

Results ~OK:

**0** – non-irradiated

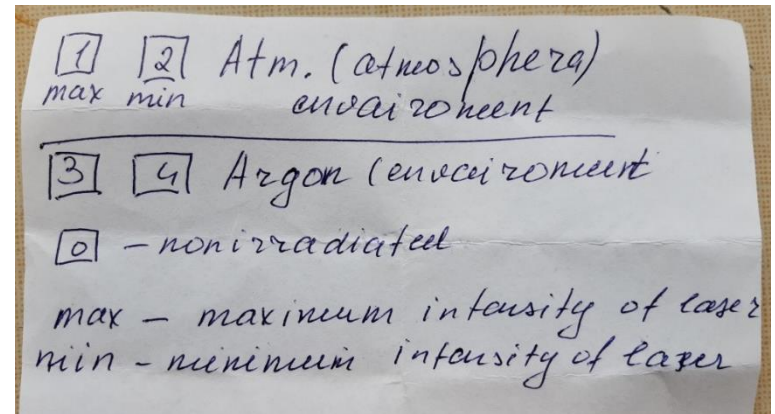
**1** – irradiated in “Atmosphere”, Max intensity  
(vacuum/low pressure? air??)

**2** – irradiated in “Atmosphere”, min intensity  
(vacuum/low pressure? air??)

Very poor:

**3** – irradiated in Argon, Max intensity

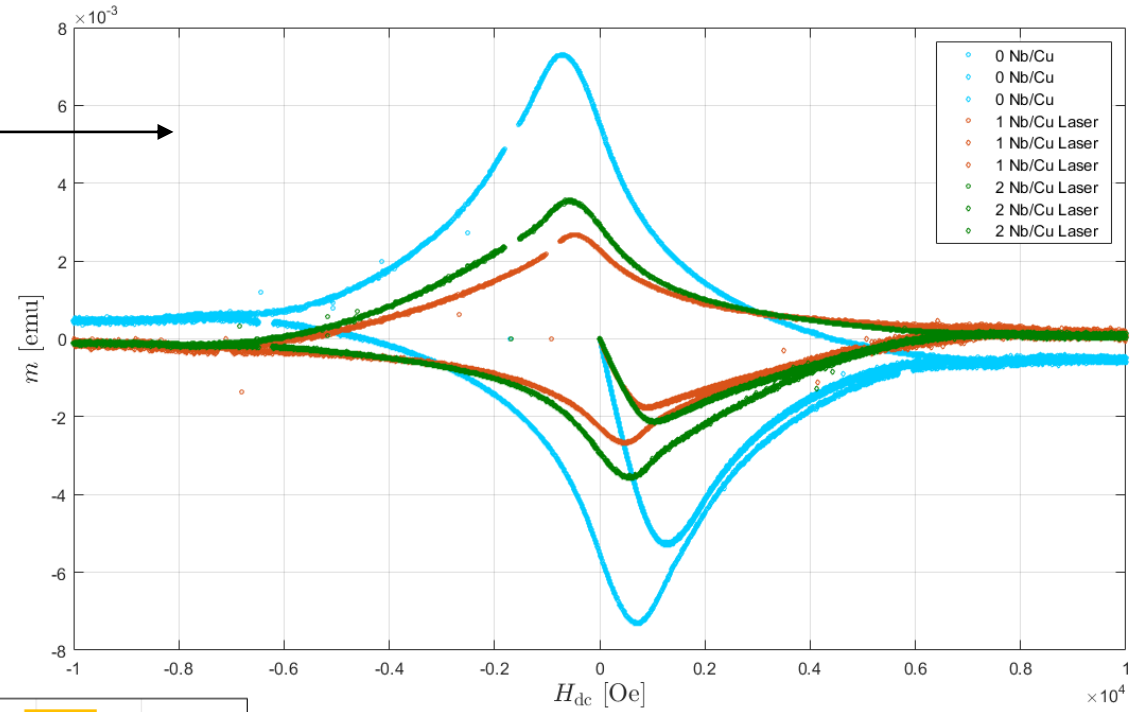
**4** – irradiated in Argon, min intensity



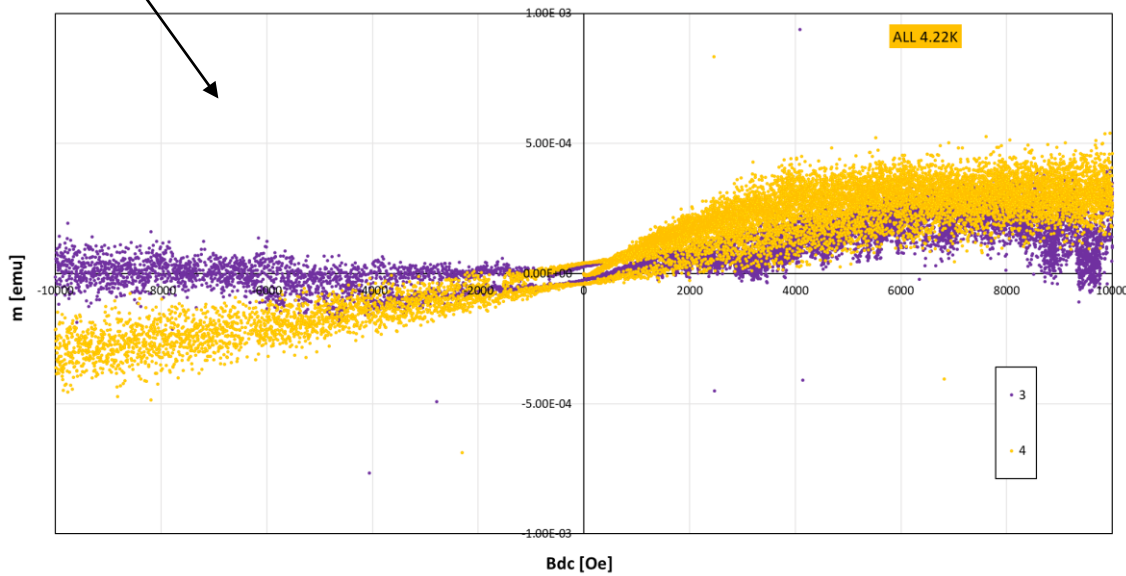
Sample info available at IEE

# Mag Loops, as measured (4.2K)

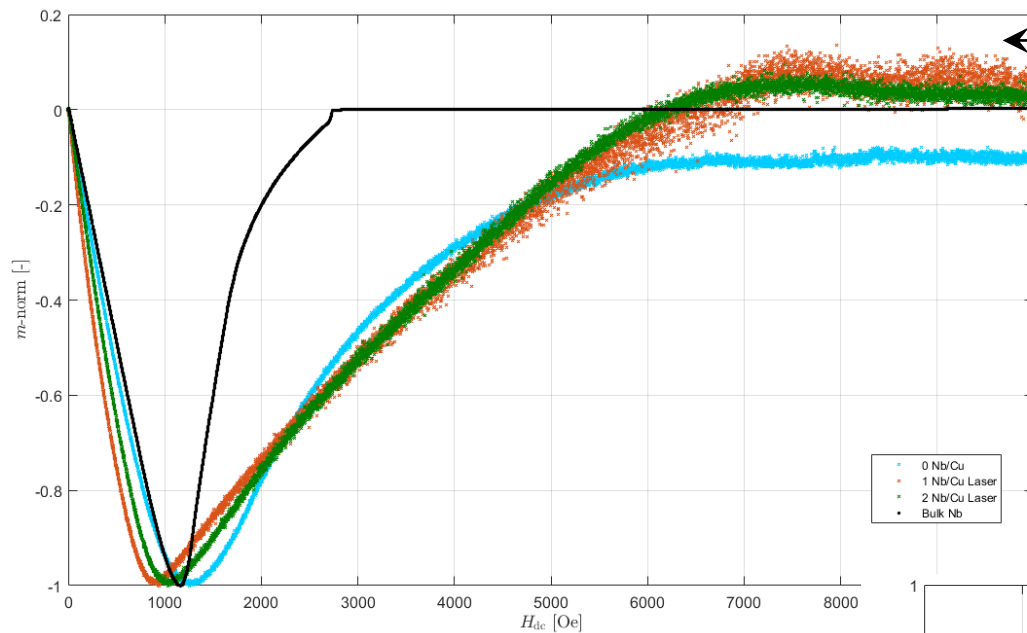
0, 1, 2 →



3, 4 ↘



# Normalised to Max

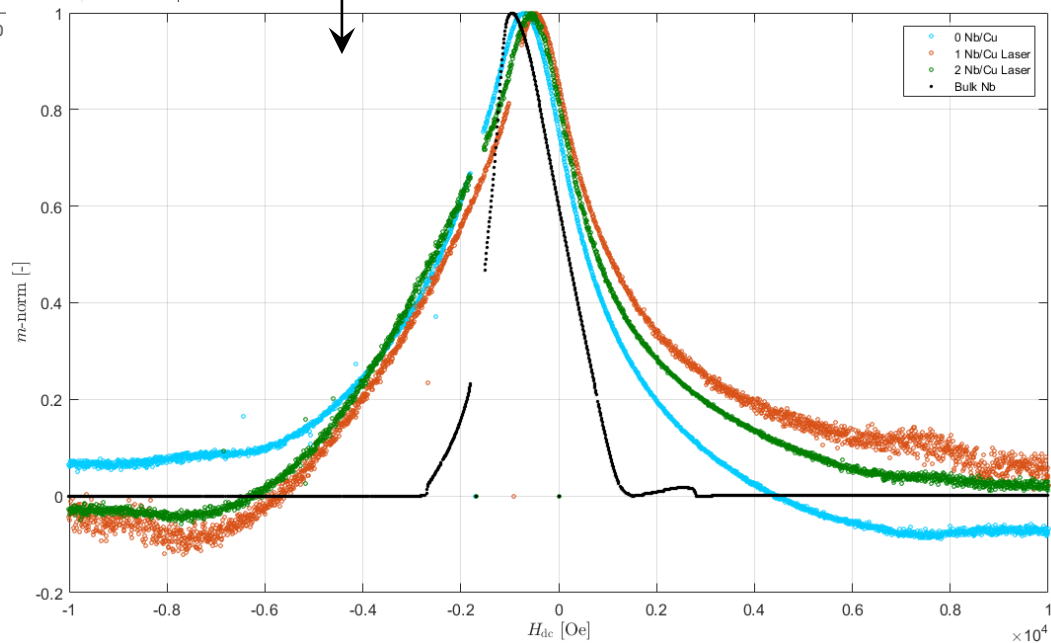


Virgin curves

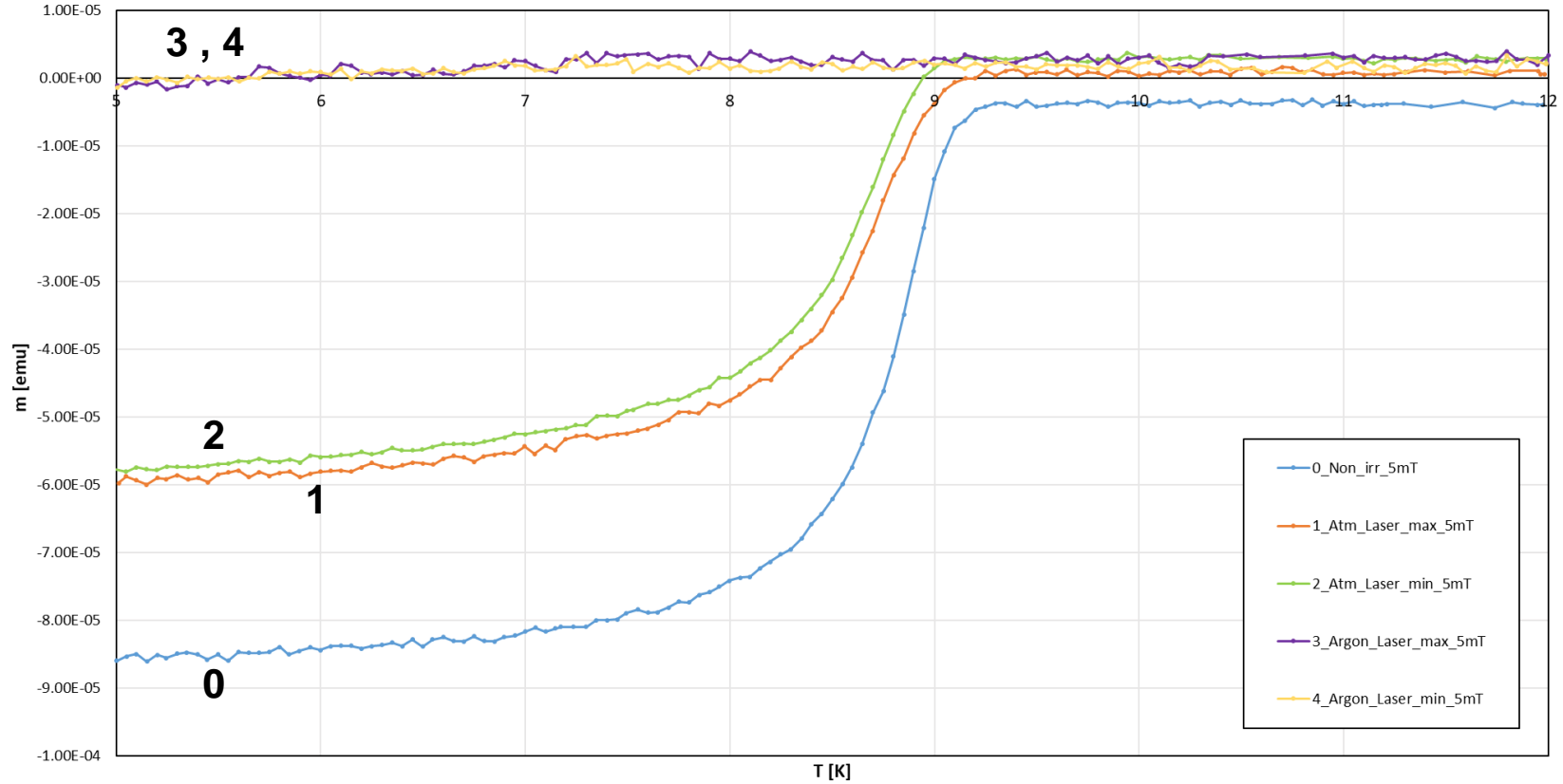
Upper loop branches

black symbols – Bulk Nb

0 , 1 , 2 samples

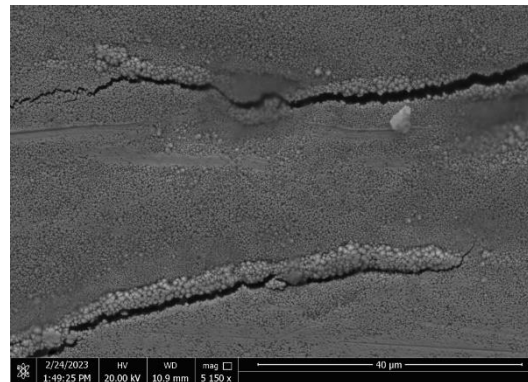
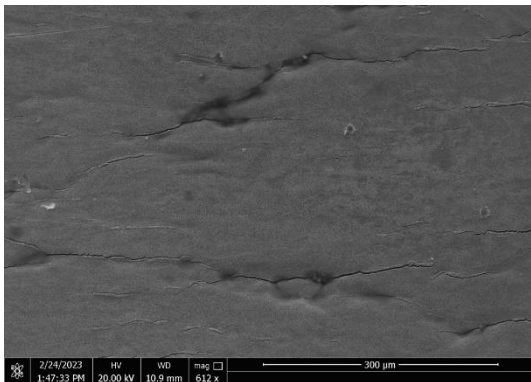
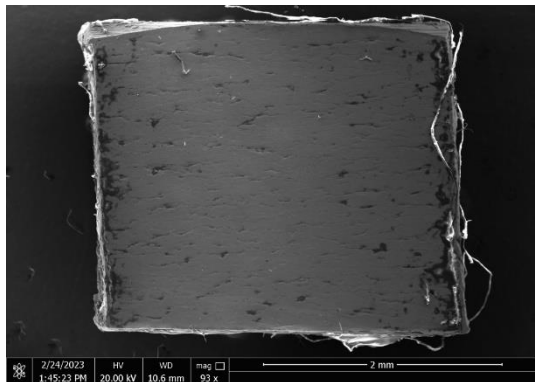


# Temperature dependence $m(T)$

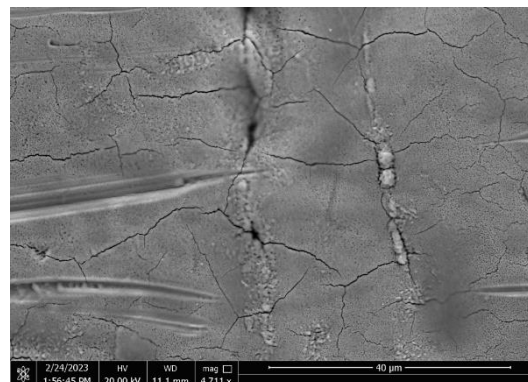
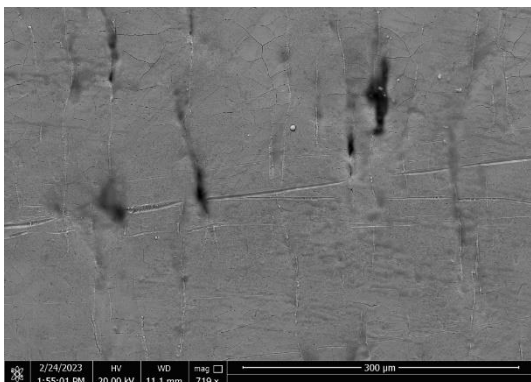
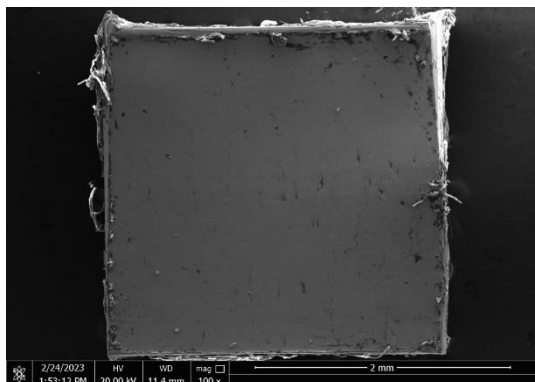


# SEM micrographs

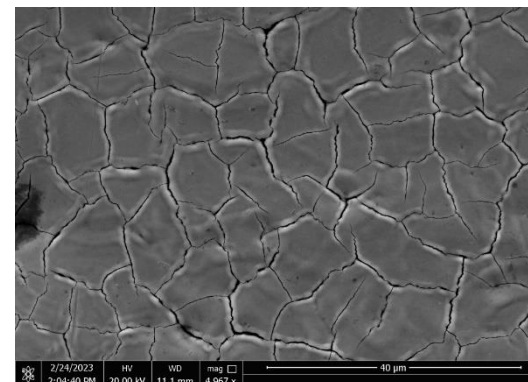
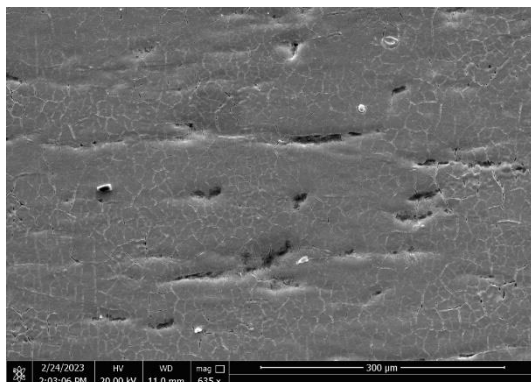
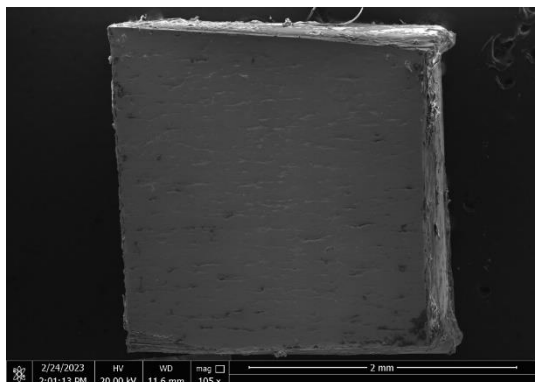
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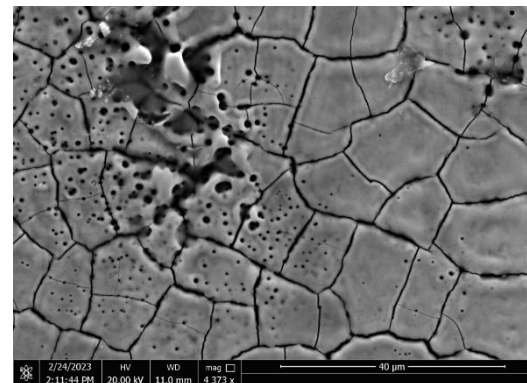
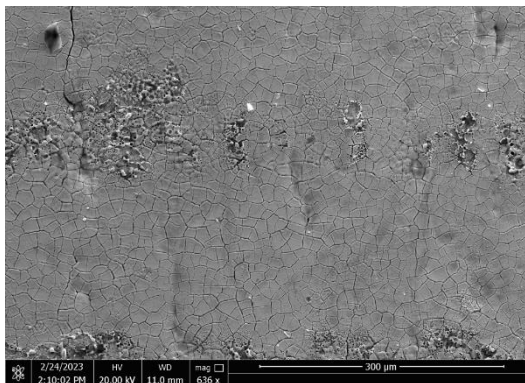
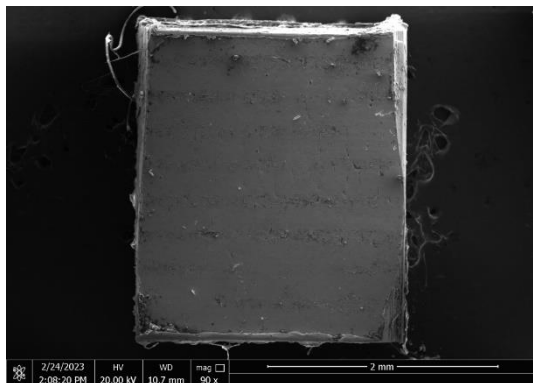
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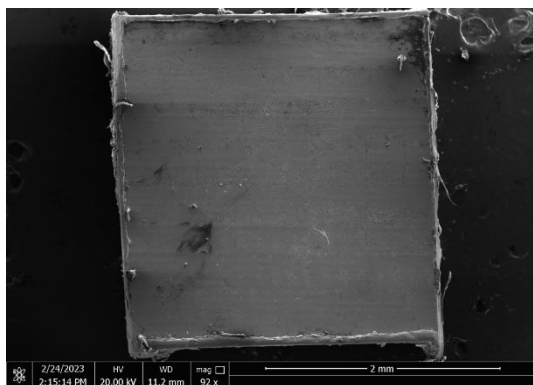
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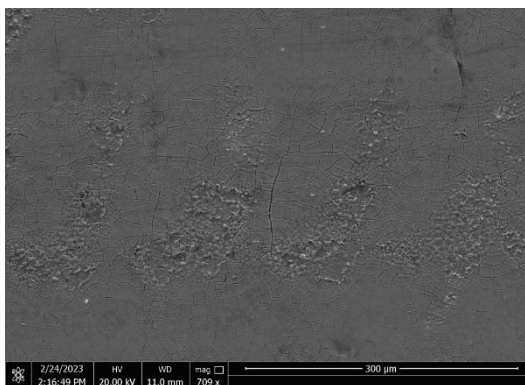
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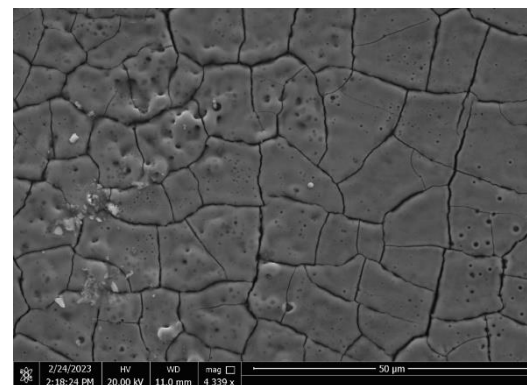
4 :



2 mm



300 μm



50 μm

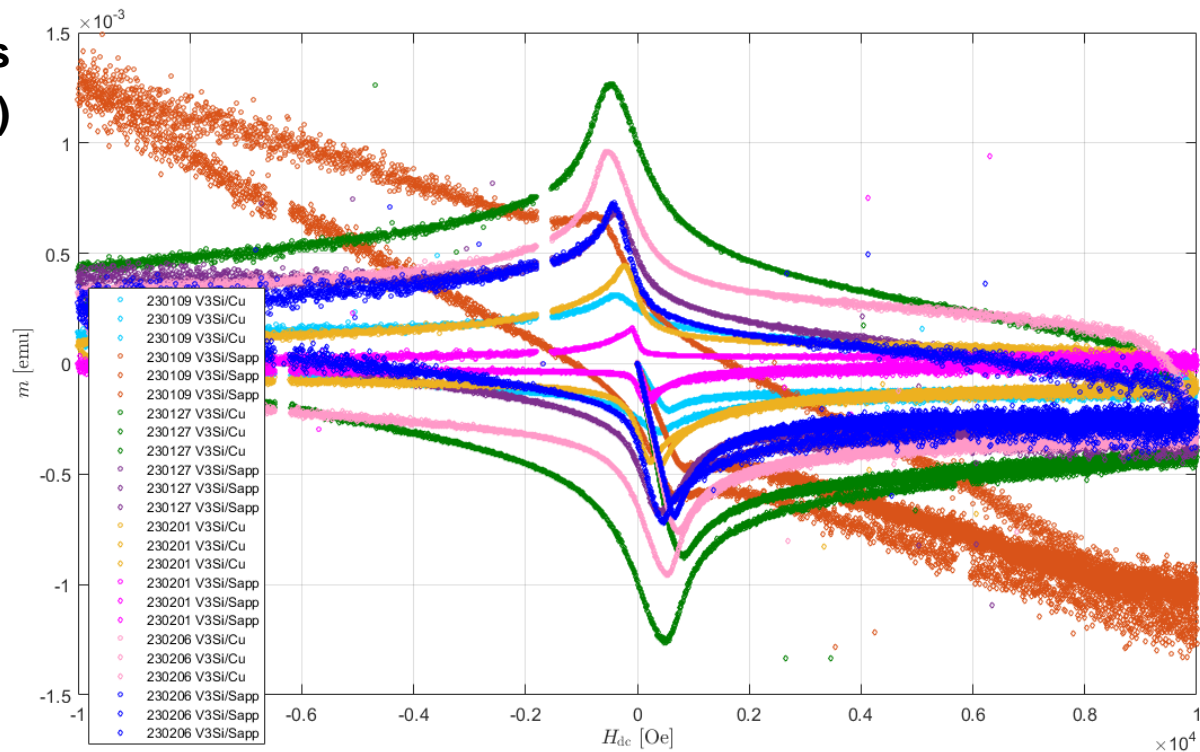


# V<sub>3</sub>Si samples on Cu & Sapphire

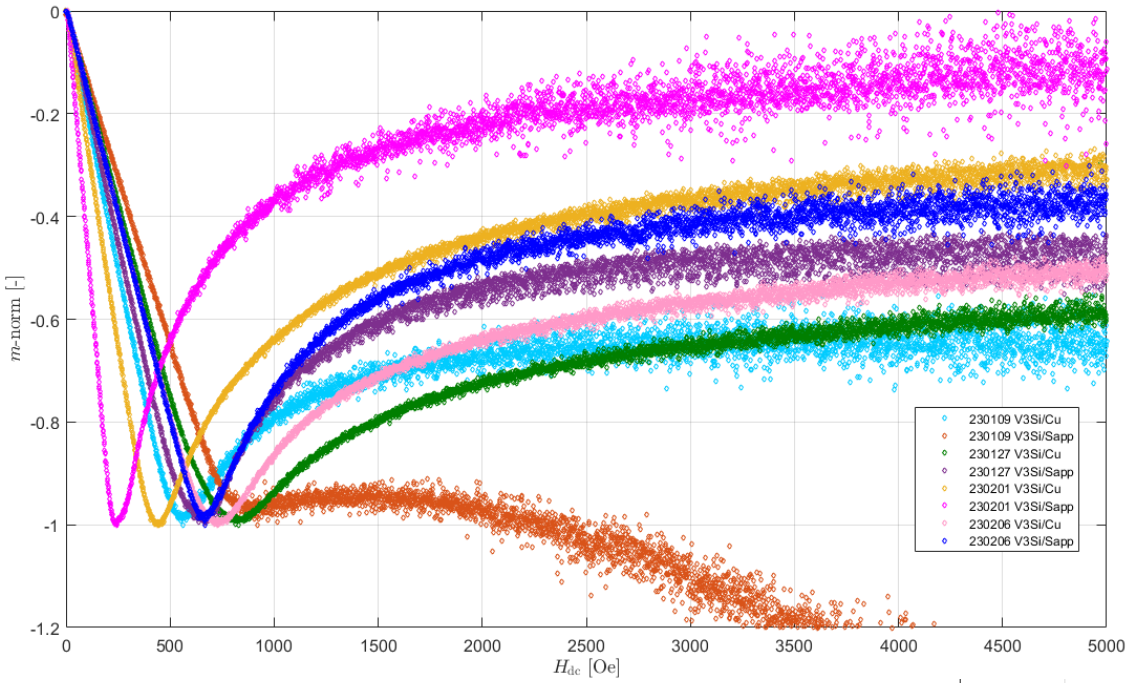
## Summary

	Sample	Ben [Oe]		Tc [K]
		(2% crit. at 4.22 K)		
		Perpend	Parallel	
<b>V<sub>3</sub>Si</b>	230109_Cu	190	190	12.8
Substrates: Cu, Sapphire	230109_Sapp	610	610	14
	230127_Cu	510	510	13
STFC	230127_Sapp	470	470	11.5
16-03-23	230201_Cu	330	330	10.5
	230201_Sapp	200	200	8.2
	230206_Cu	530	530	12.5
	230206_Sapp	580	580	11.5

All samples  
raw loops (4.2K)

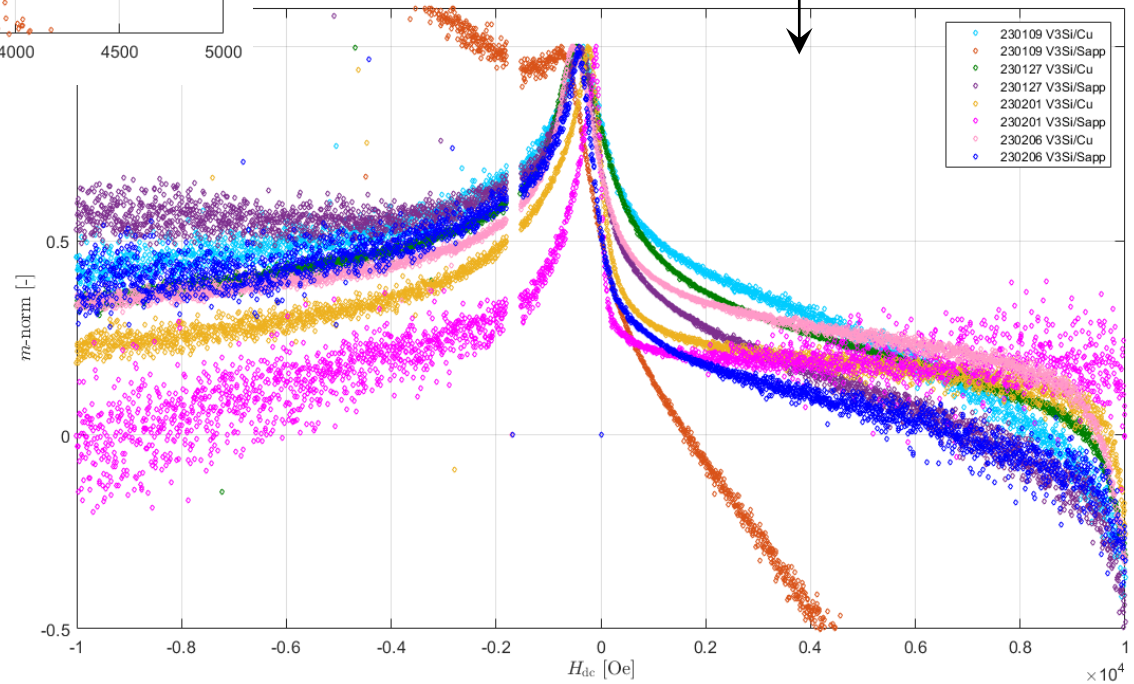


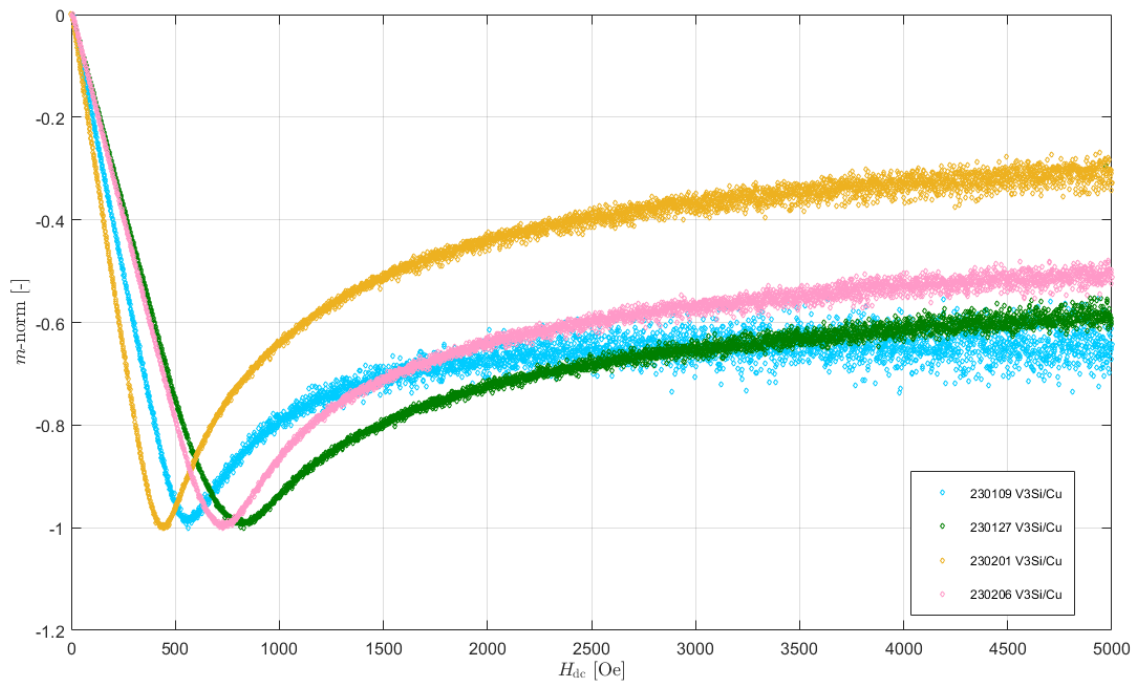
# Normalised curves



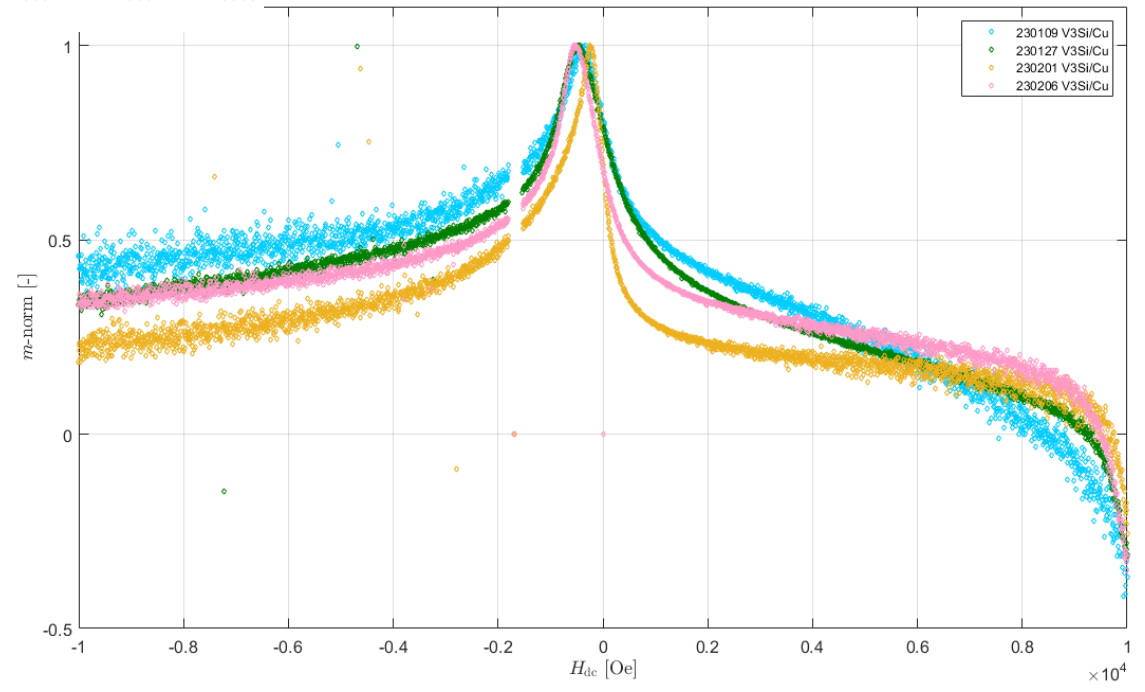
← Virgin curves  
*Normalised to Max*  
Upper loop branches

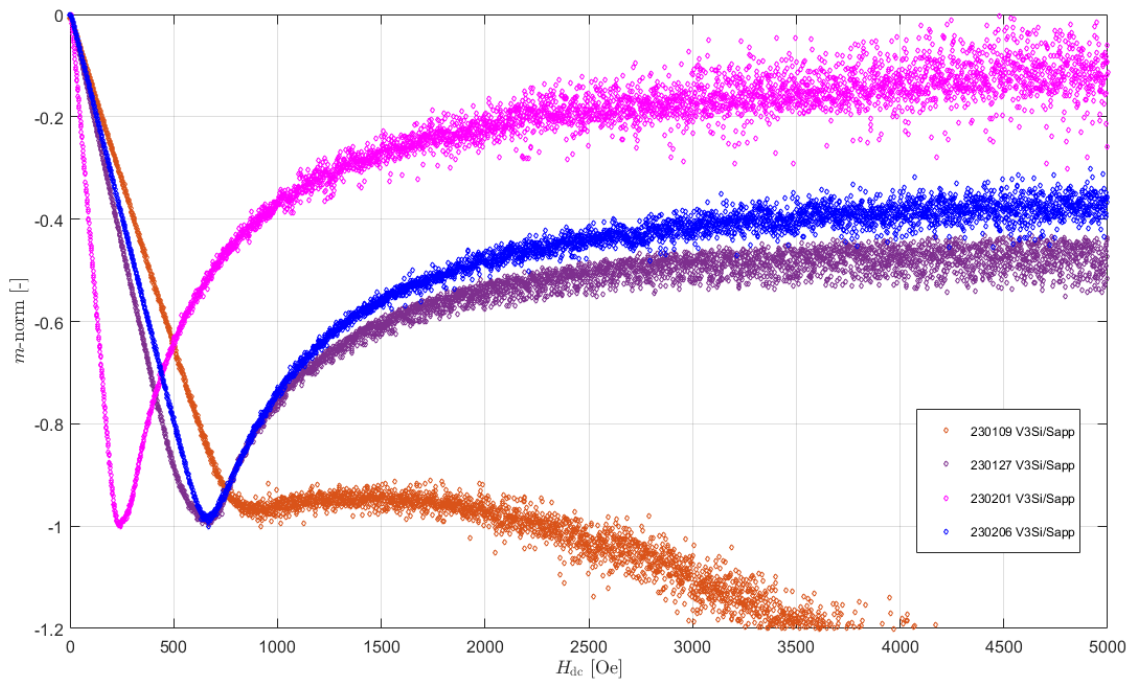
**All samples**



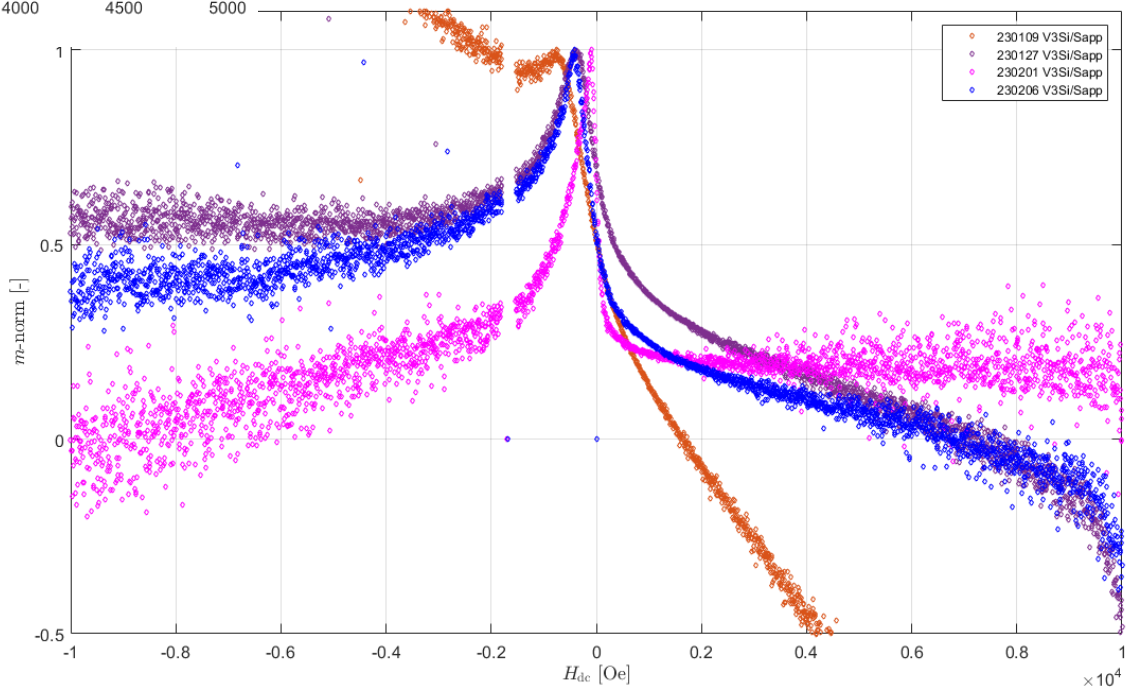


**Cu substrates**

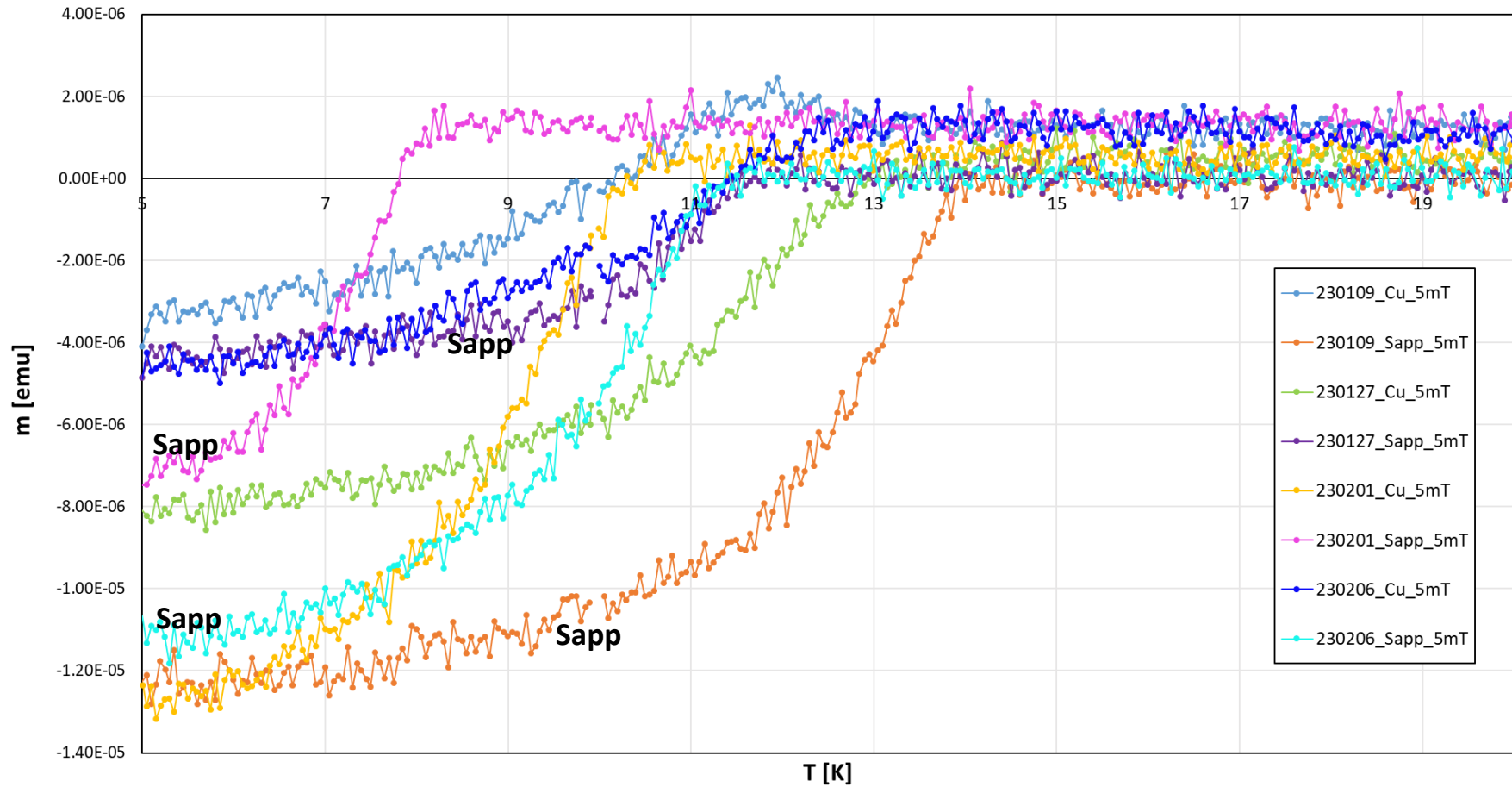




**Sapphire substrates**



# Temperature dependence $m(T)$



20K  $\rightarrow$  5K, 5mT applied field

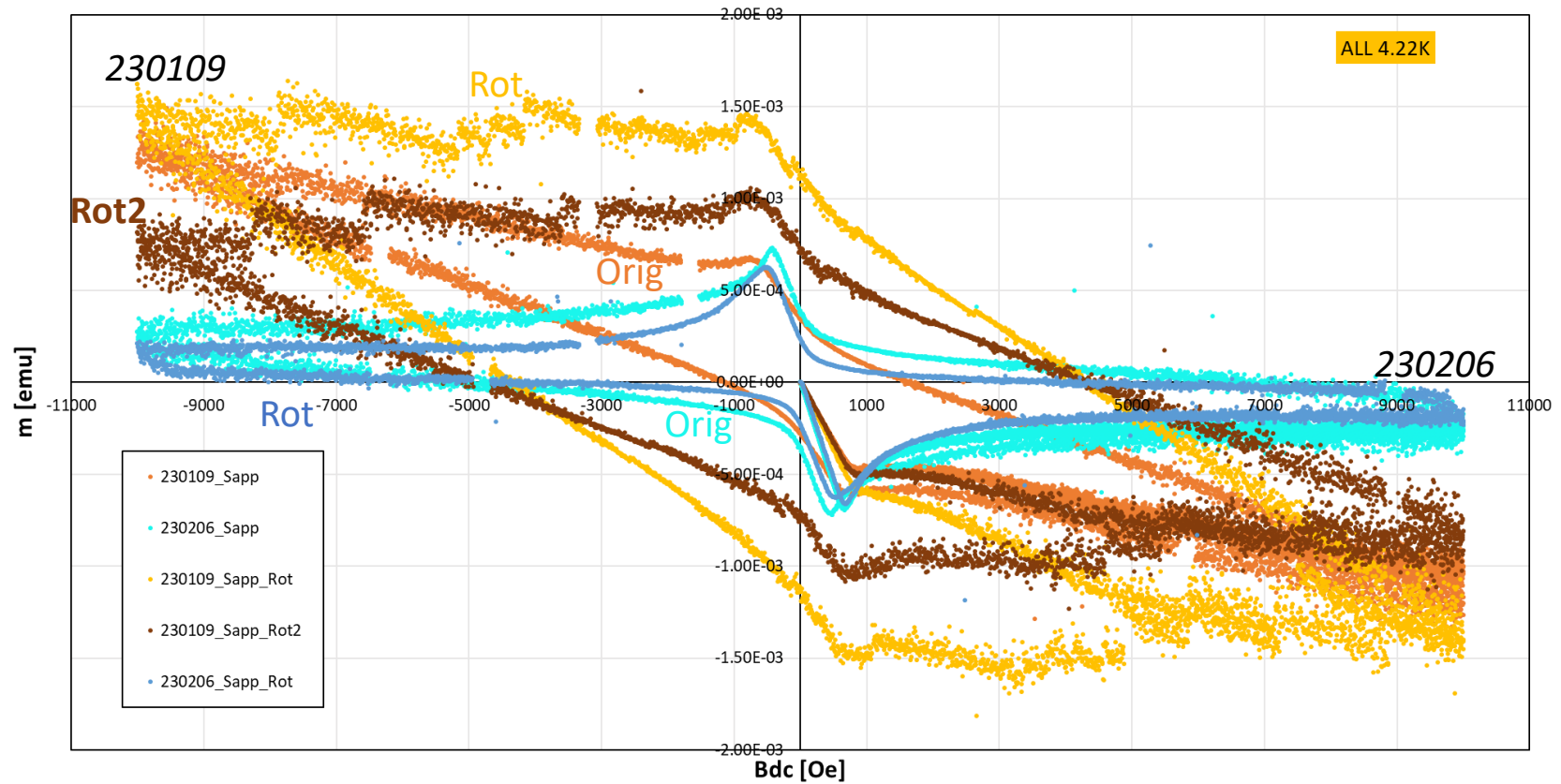
***Thanks for your attention***



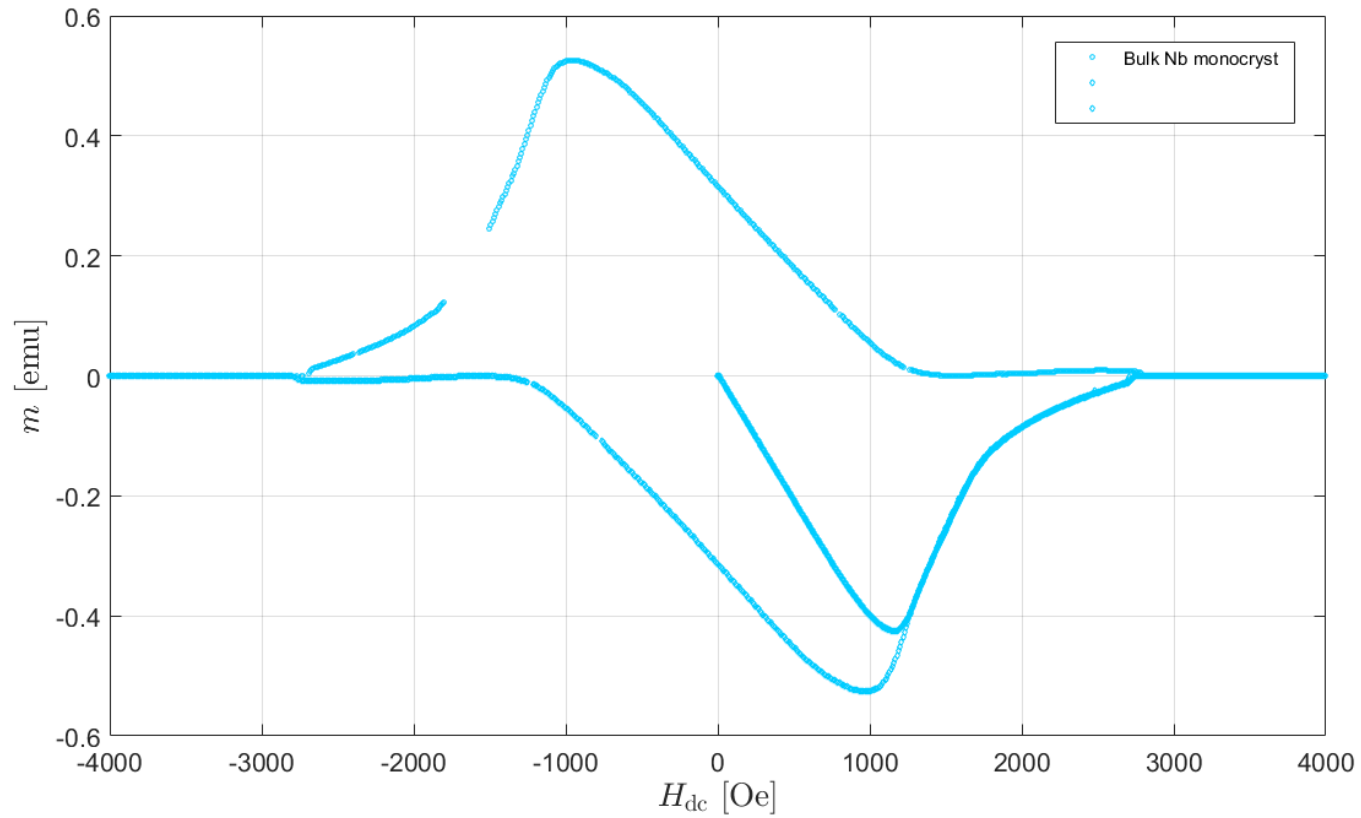
# V<sub>3</sub>Si

## Sapphire substrates

Raw loops, Re-measured after sample rotation 90° (230109, 230206)



# Mag Loop – Bulk Nb monocrystalline, CEA



“raw” Loop (absolute  $m$ )

(at 4.2 K)