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# RF Surface Resistance Measurements on Planar Samples at STFC

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# Outline

- **Continuing thin film optimisation studies with choke cavity**
- **Nb/Cu:**
  - HiPIMS
  - Study effect of substrate temperature during deposition
  - Samples from 2 Nb targets
  - Further analysis (MFP, RRR,  $T_c$ , surface analysis) in progress
- **Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn/Cu:**
  - DCMS, HiPIMS
  - Effect of target power
- **NbTiN/Cu**
  - DCMS, HiPIMS

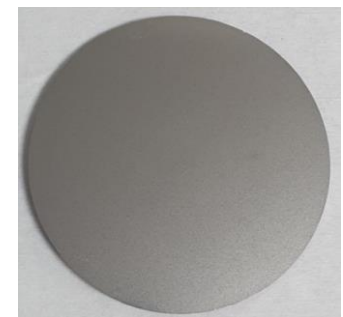
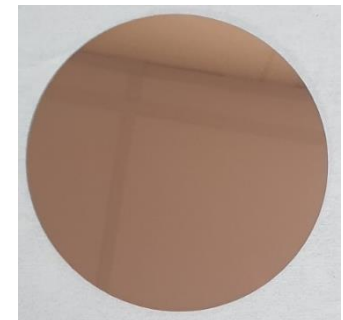
# RF measurements of Nb samples

# Sample preparation

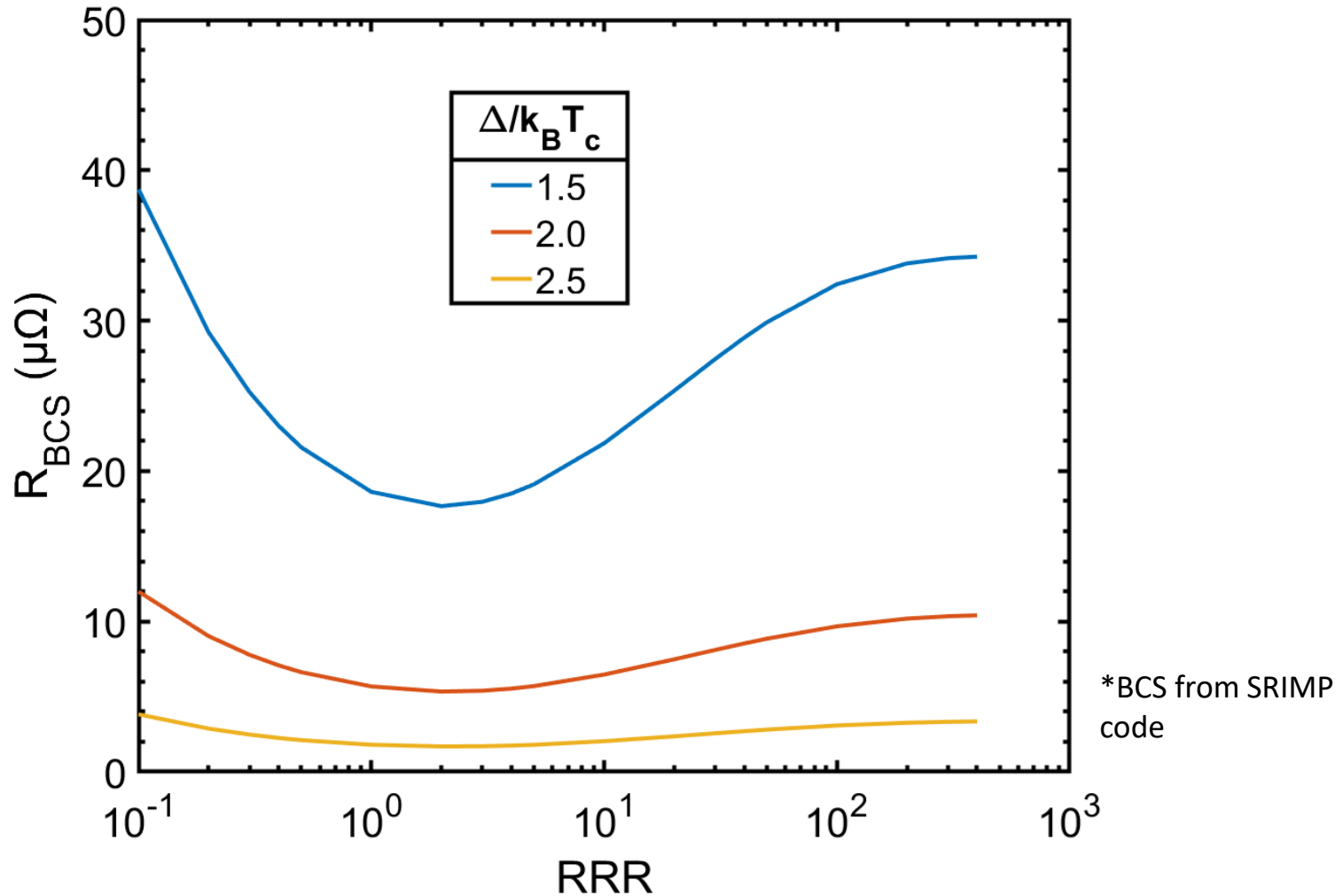
- **Aim:** investigate effect of substrate heating
- **Substrate preparation:**
  - Diamond turned Cu disks – 10 cm diameter, 3 mm thick
  - Average roughness ~ 2-3 nm
- **Sample preparation:**
  - HiPIMS

Parameter	Target 1	Target 2
Substrate heater current (A)	0, 10, 15, 23, 30, 35	0, 10, 15*, 23*, 28, 32 35
Substrate heater temperature (A)	RT to ~ 650 °C	RT to ~ 650 °C
Expected thickness (μm)	3	3

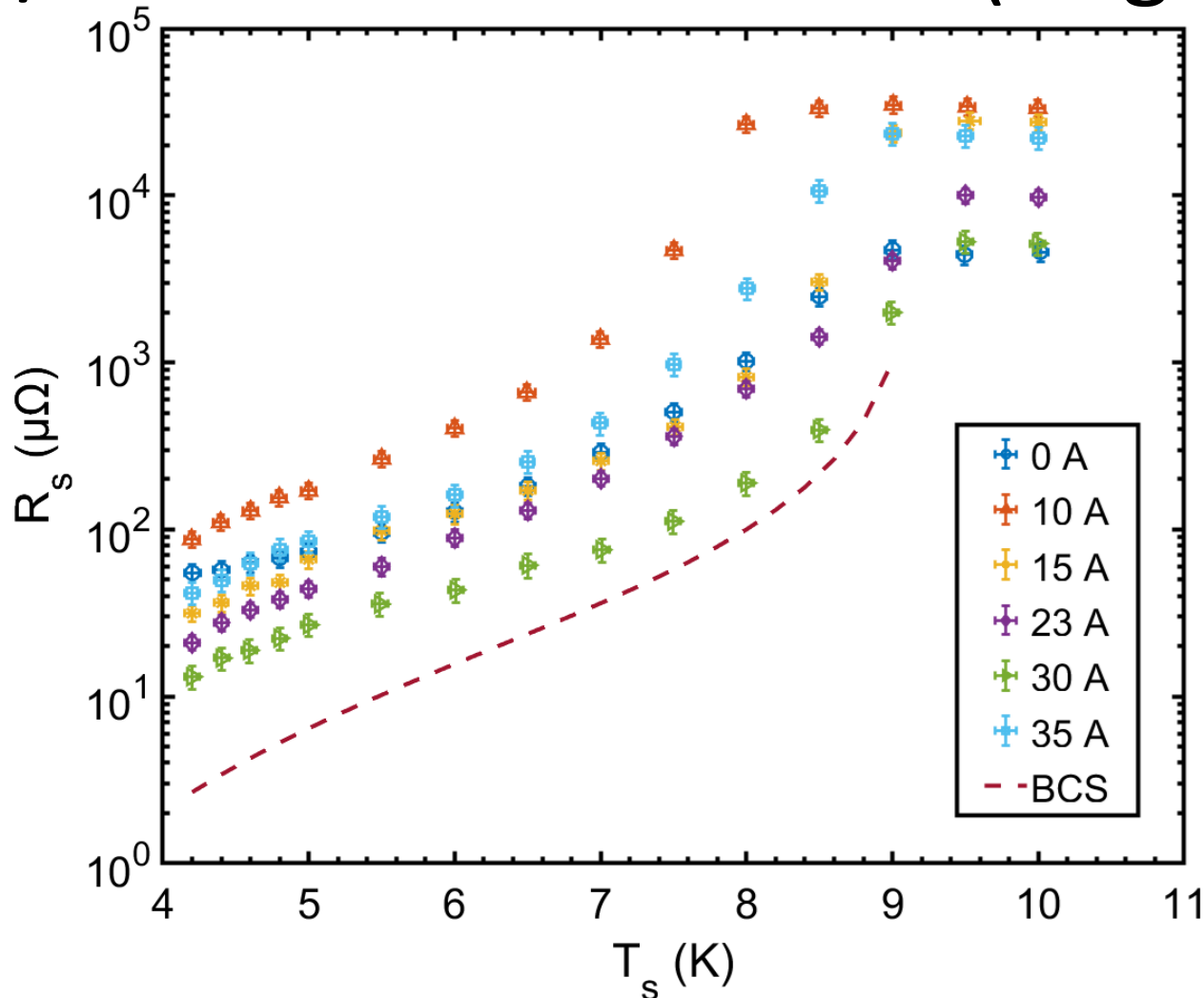
\* In progress



# Optimising Nb/Cu surface resistance

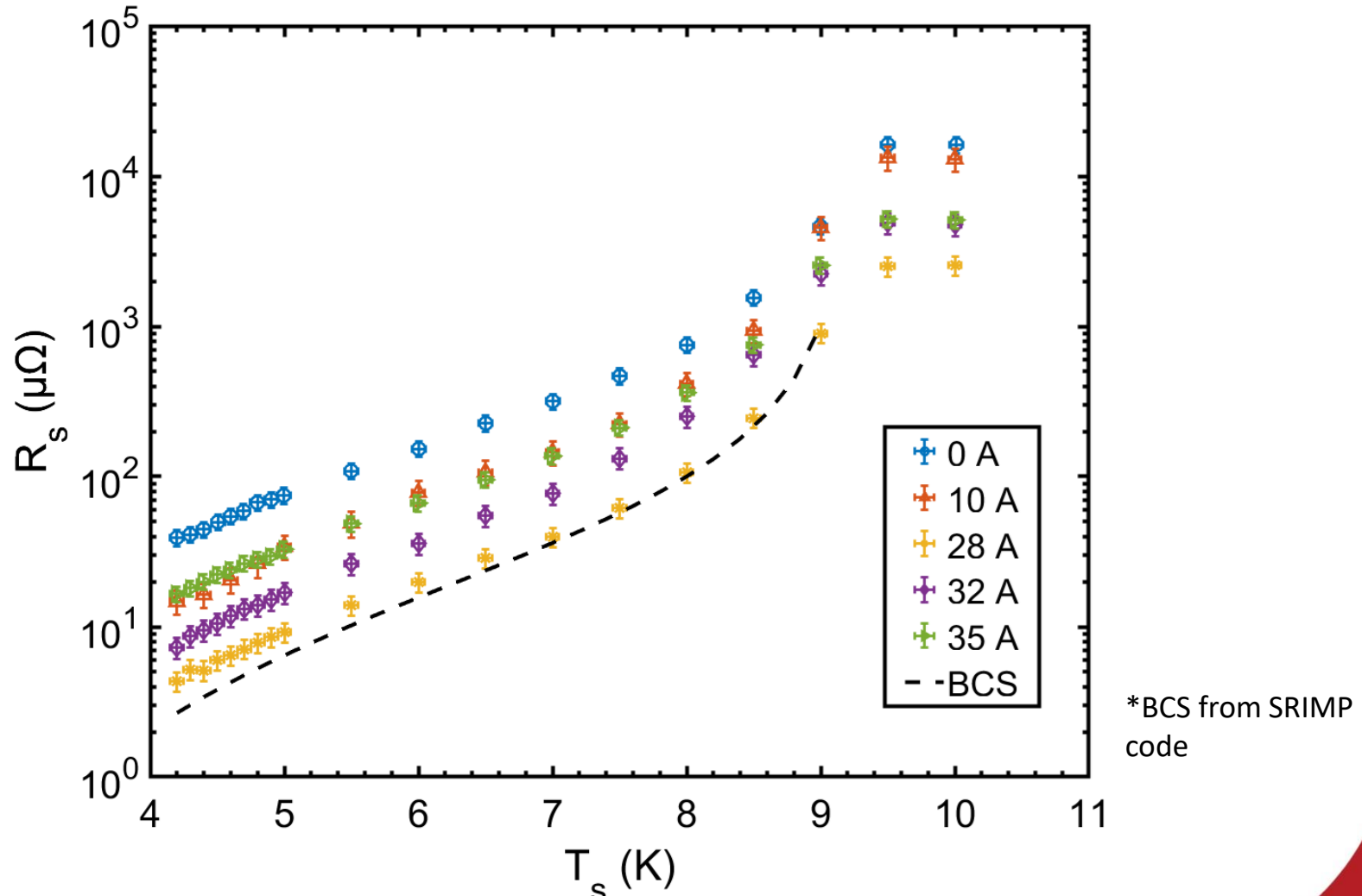


# Nb/Cu: surface resistance (target 1)

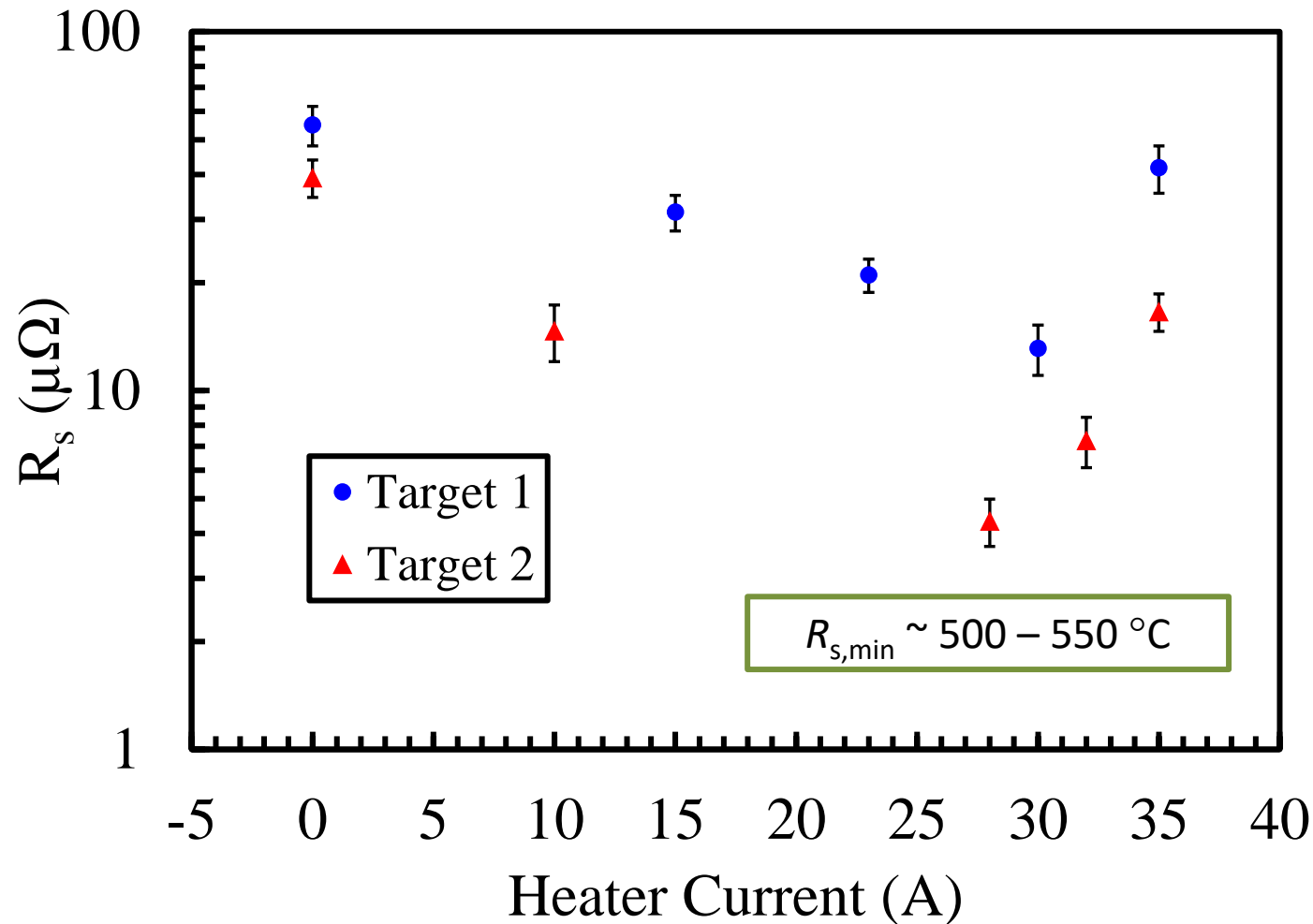


\*BCS from SRIMP code

# Nb/Cu: surface resistance (target 2)



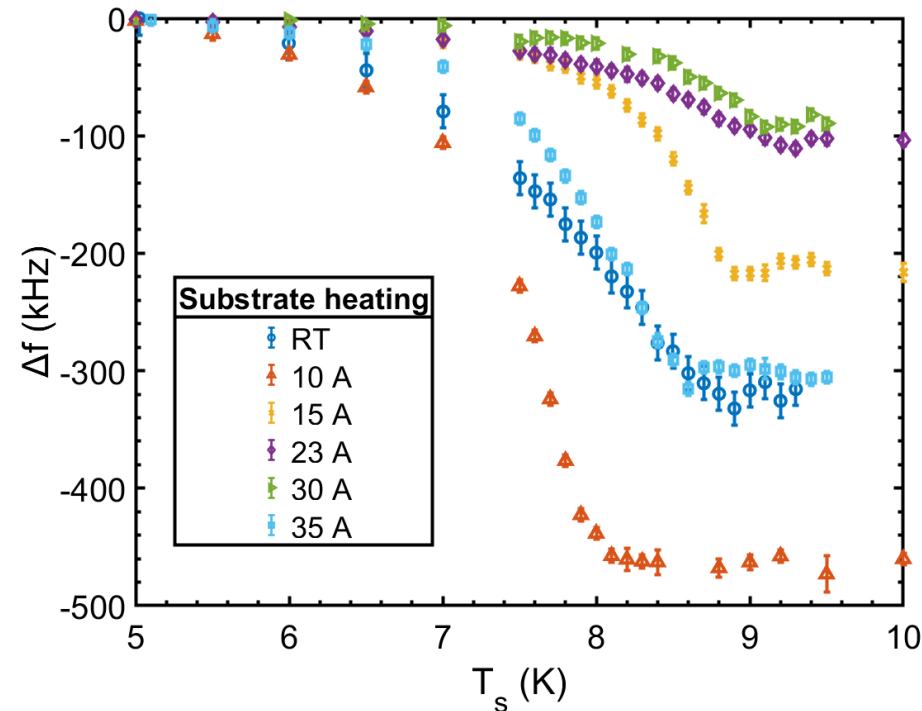
# Nb/Cu: surface resistance at 4.2 K





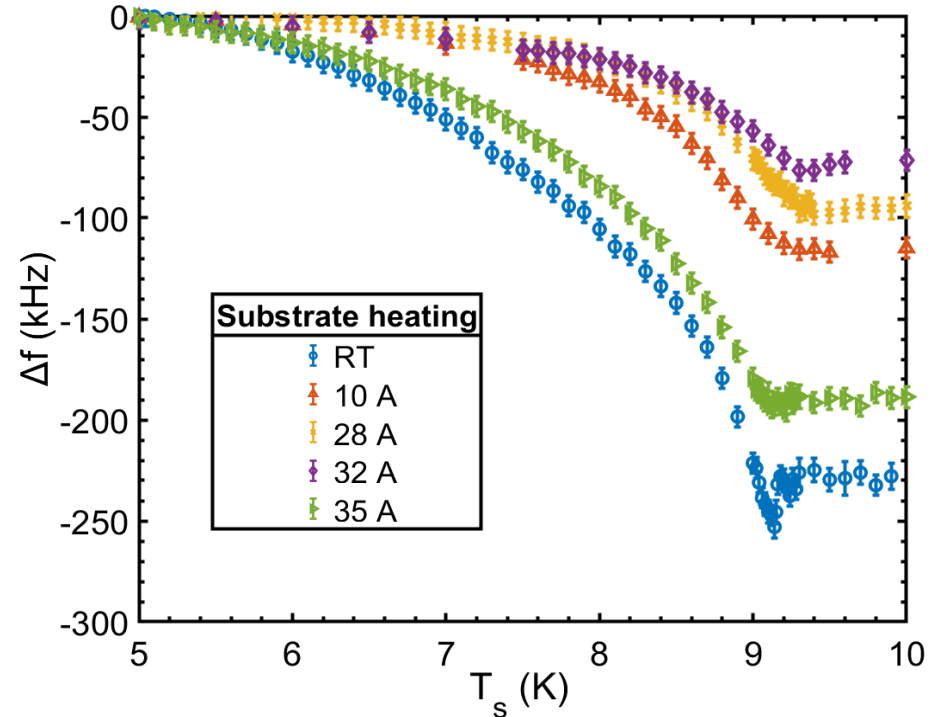
# Nb/Cu: frequency shift

Target 1



- Variation in  $T_c$  due to Cu contamination

Target 2



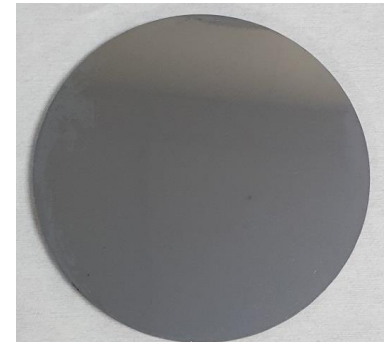
- $T_c$  as expected for all samples

# RF measurements of $\text{Nb}_3\text{Sn}$ samples

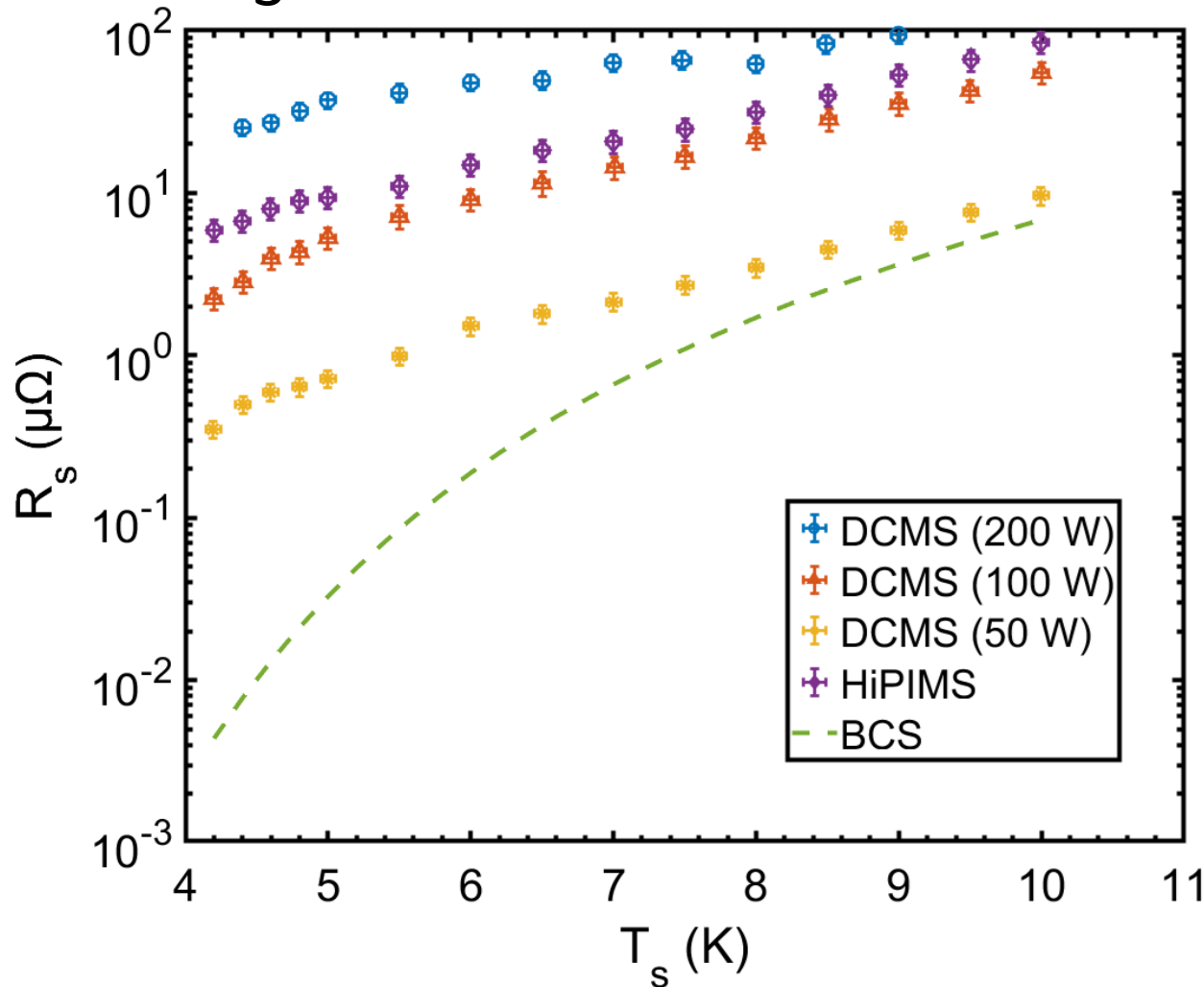
# Sample preparation

- **Aim:** investigate effect of target power/deposition method
- **Substrate preparation:**
  - Diamond turned Cu disks – 10 cm diameter, 3 mm thick
  - Average roughness ~ 2-3 nm
- **Sample preparation:**
  - 3 DCMS, 1 HiPIMS

Parameter	DCMS	HiPIMS
Substrate heater current (A)	35 (~ 650 °C)	35 (~ 650 °C)
Target power (W)	200, 100, 50	100
Expected thickness (µm)	2.6	2.6



# Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn: surface resistance



$T_c \sim 16.5 - 17$  K from  
frequency shift

\*BCS from SRIMP  
code  
(Parameters from:  
A-M Valente-  
Feliciano,  
*Superconducting RF  
materials other than  
bulk niobium: a  
review*)

# RF measurements of NbTiN samples

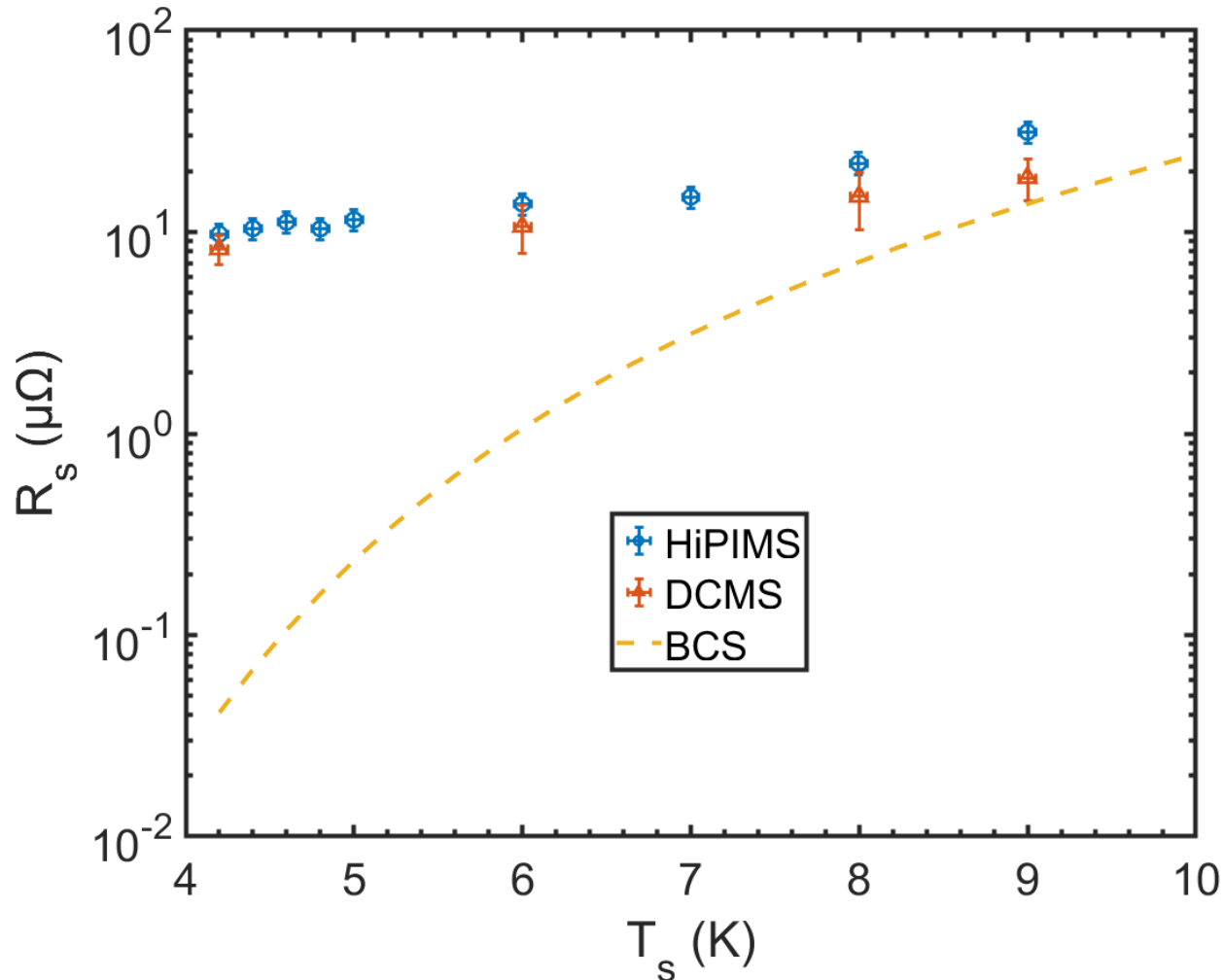
# Sample preparation

- **Substrate preparation:**
  - Diamond turned Cu disk – 10 cm diameter, 3 mm thick
  - Average roughness ~ 2-3 nm
- **Sample preparation:**
  - 1 DCMS, 1 HiPIMS

Parameter	DCMS	HiPIMS
Substrate heater current (A)	35 (~ 650 °C)	35 (~ 650 °C)
Target power (W)	300	300
Expected thickness (µm)	0.8	0.8

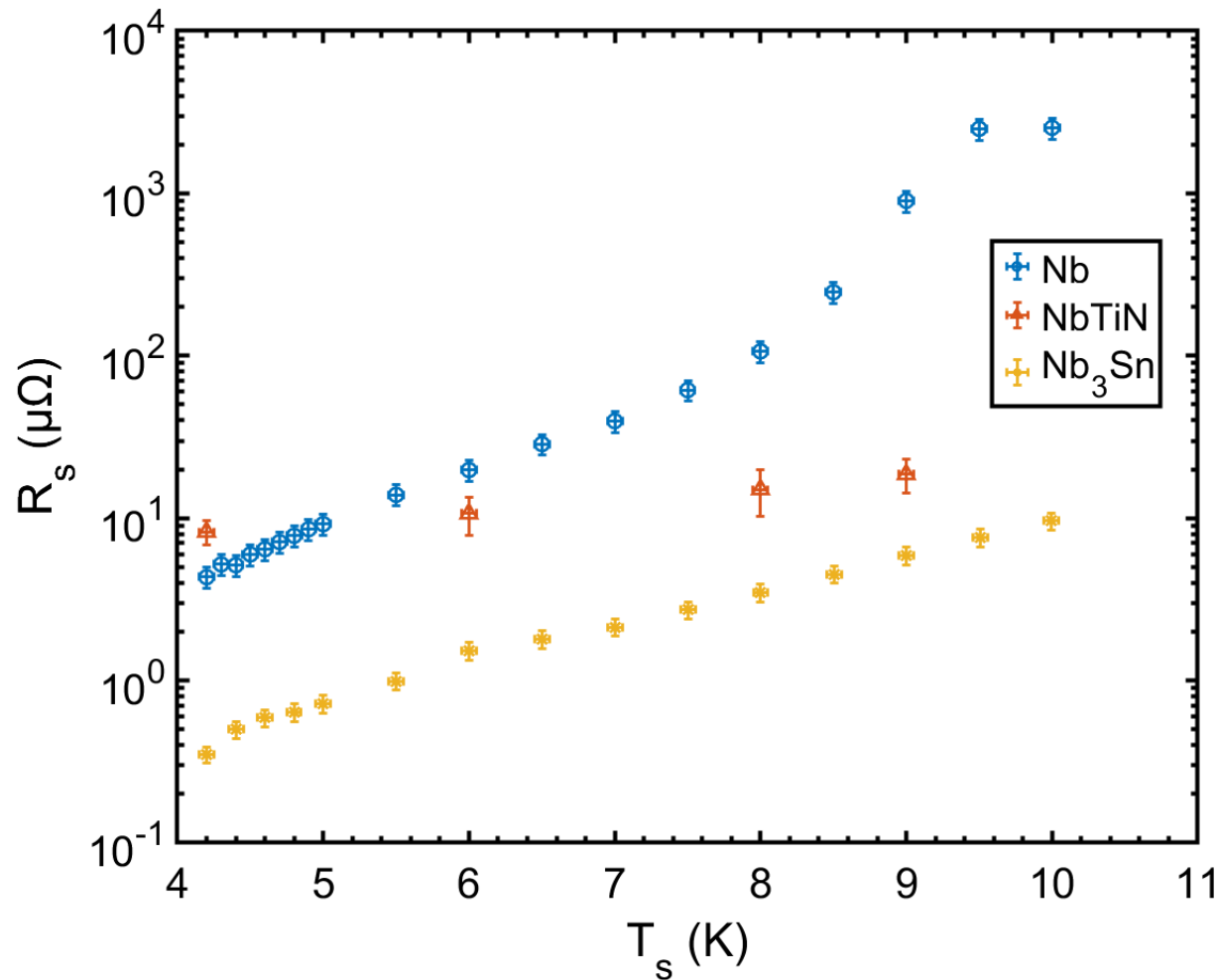


# NbTiN: surface resistance



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*Superconducting RF materials other than bulk niobium: a review*)

# Nb, NbTiN, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn comparison





# Next steps

# From planar samples to real cavities

**Aim: Flat samples → split cavities → 1.3 GHz cavities**

## 3 sets of samples:

### 1. Nb coated planar samples

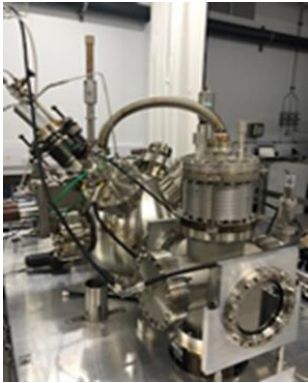
- Low power RF test with choke cavity
- High power RF test with QPR

### 2. Split cavity deposited with planar magnetron & planar target

- RF test

### 3. Split cavity deposited with cylindrical magnetron & tubular target

- RF test



# Future plans

- **Complete Nb/Cu substrate temperature study**
  - Full substrate heater/temperature calibration
  - Surface analysis (STFC)
  - SC DC measurements (STFC & IEE?)
- **FLASH on Nb/Cu samples (HZDR):**
  - RT samples – can flash replace the need for high temperature depositions?
  - Best sample – can flash further improve the sample performance?
- **Nb/Cu on chemically treated Cu disks to compare with split cavity**
- **Continue Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, NbTiN, V<sub>3</sub>Si single layer studies**
- **Multilayers:**
  - On Bulk Nb treated at INFN
  - On Nb/Cu deposited at DL
- **Facility upgrades to increase B-field**
  - IJCLab treated bulk Nb 2 choke cavity
  - TF on INFN treated Cu choke cavity
  - Test bunker

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