

Development of Field Emission Scanner Combined with SEM-EDX

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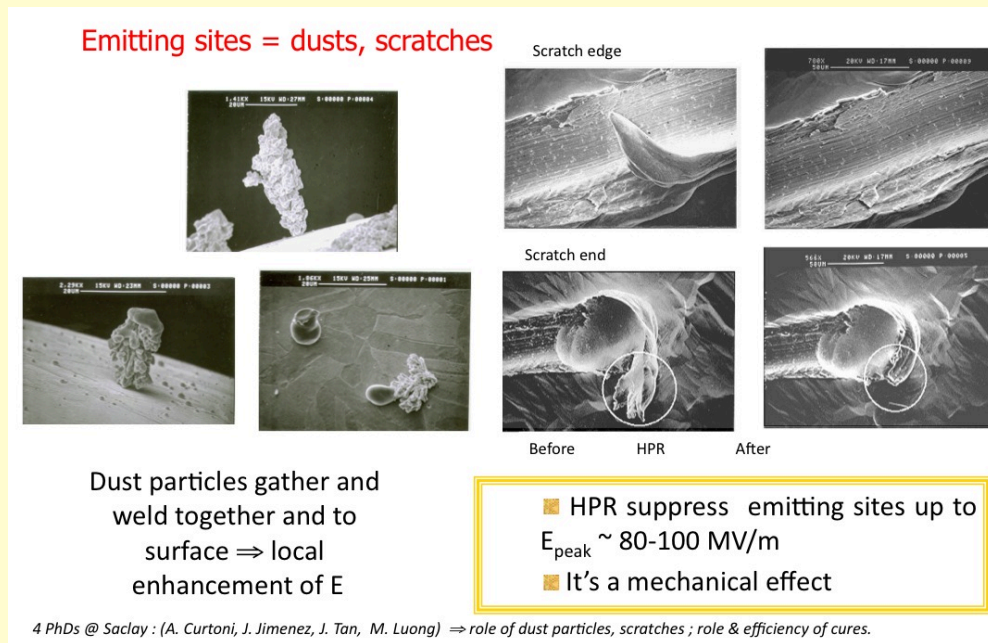
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- ◆ Aim of Study
- ◆ Design Principles of Field Emission Scanner @ KEK
- ◆ How to Map Field Emitters on Surface?
- ◆ Details of KEK Field Emission Scanner
- ◆ First Application of FES to OFHC Copper Surface
- ◆ Summary



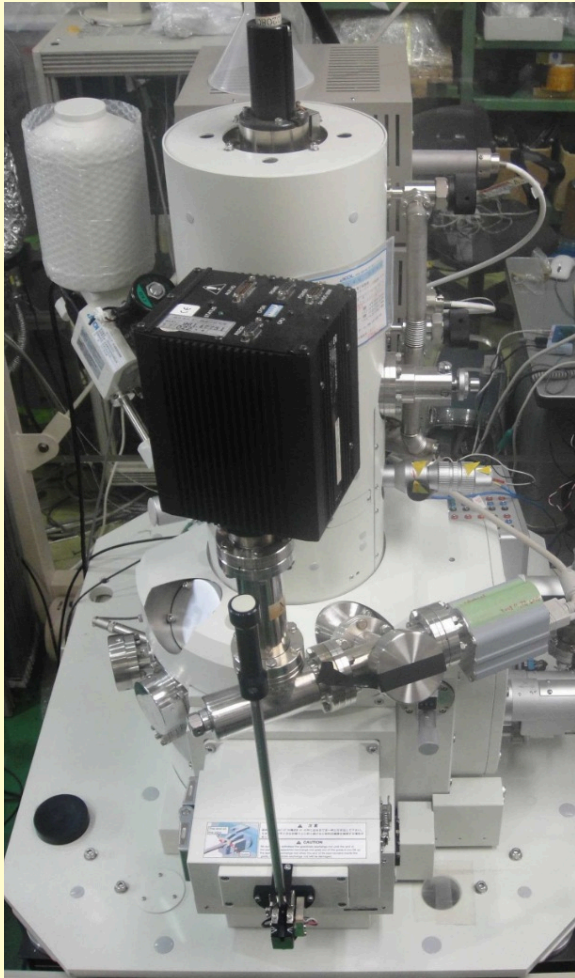
- Scratches
- Pits and Bumps
- Dust Particles
- Residues

- ◆ This issue has been much improved by careful handling in the material preparation, machining, welding, polishing and so on.
- ◆ However, FE is still a big concern, specially in mass production process.
- ◆ There was no good tool to find and quantify the field emitters, strongly depending on both their surface topography and surface atomic composition.
- ◆ We need capabilities to carry out in-situ mapping of the emitters, the topography and the atomic composition at the same position.

Design Principles of Field Emission Scanner @ KEK

FE-SEM + EDX

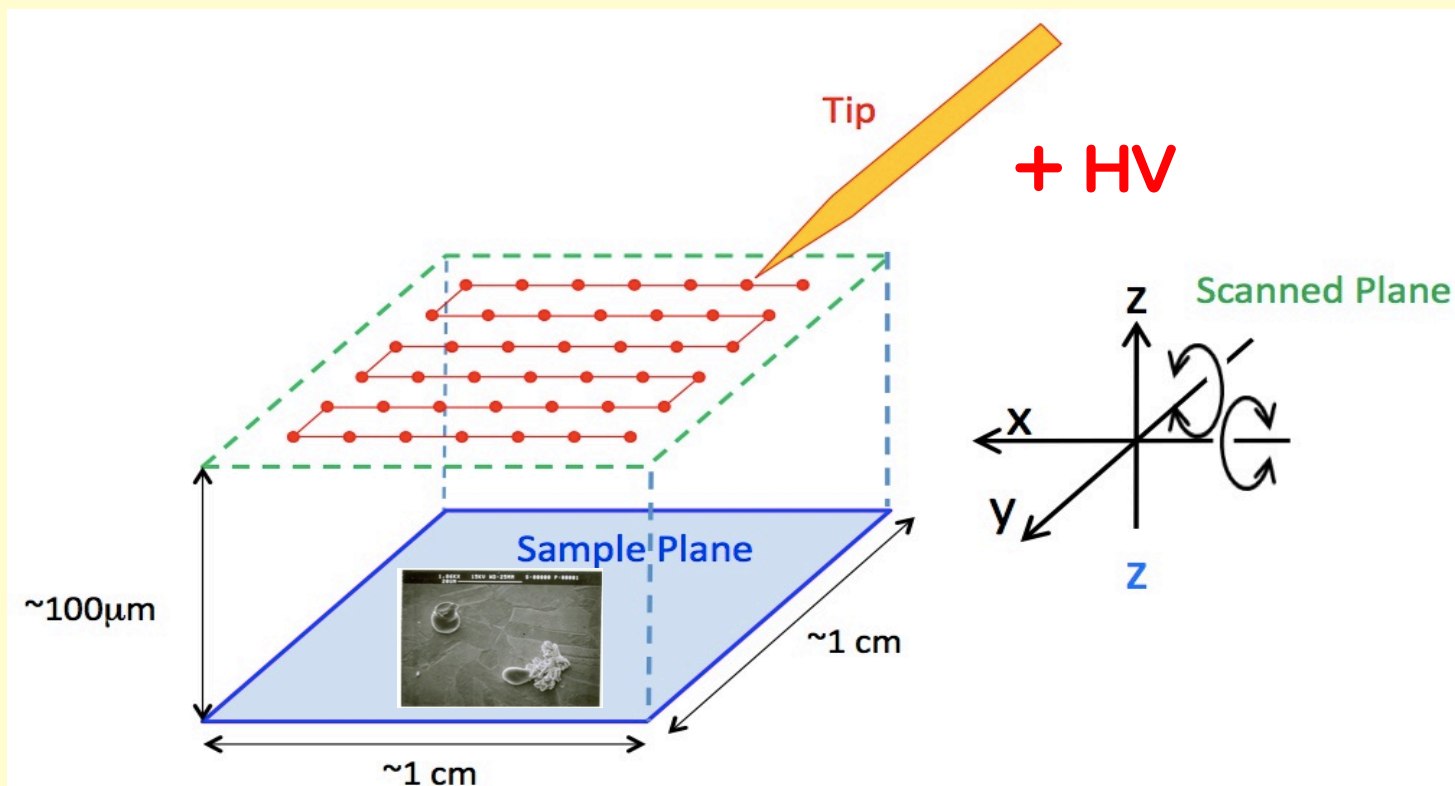
Imaging Resolution : 1.5nm



- ◆ Designed FES in order to enable :
 - 1/ In-situ FES mapping and SEM + EDX observation.
 - 2/ Vibration-free scanning
 - 3/ Sample loading via UHV suitcase + loadlock from surface treatment facility or XPS equipment, to keep a sample coupon dust particle free and in UHV
 - 4/ No sample transfer between FES mapping and SEM-EDX observation
 - 5/ Easy operation switching between FES and SEM-EDX modes, keeping the same SEM working distance
- ◆ Our FES was built not only in the SEM chamber but also on its sample stage.

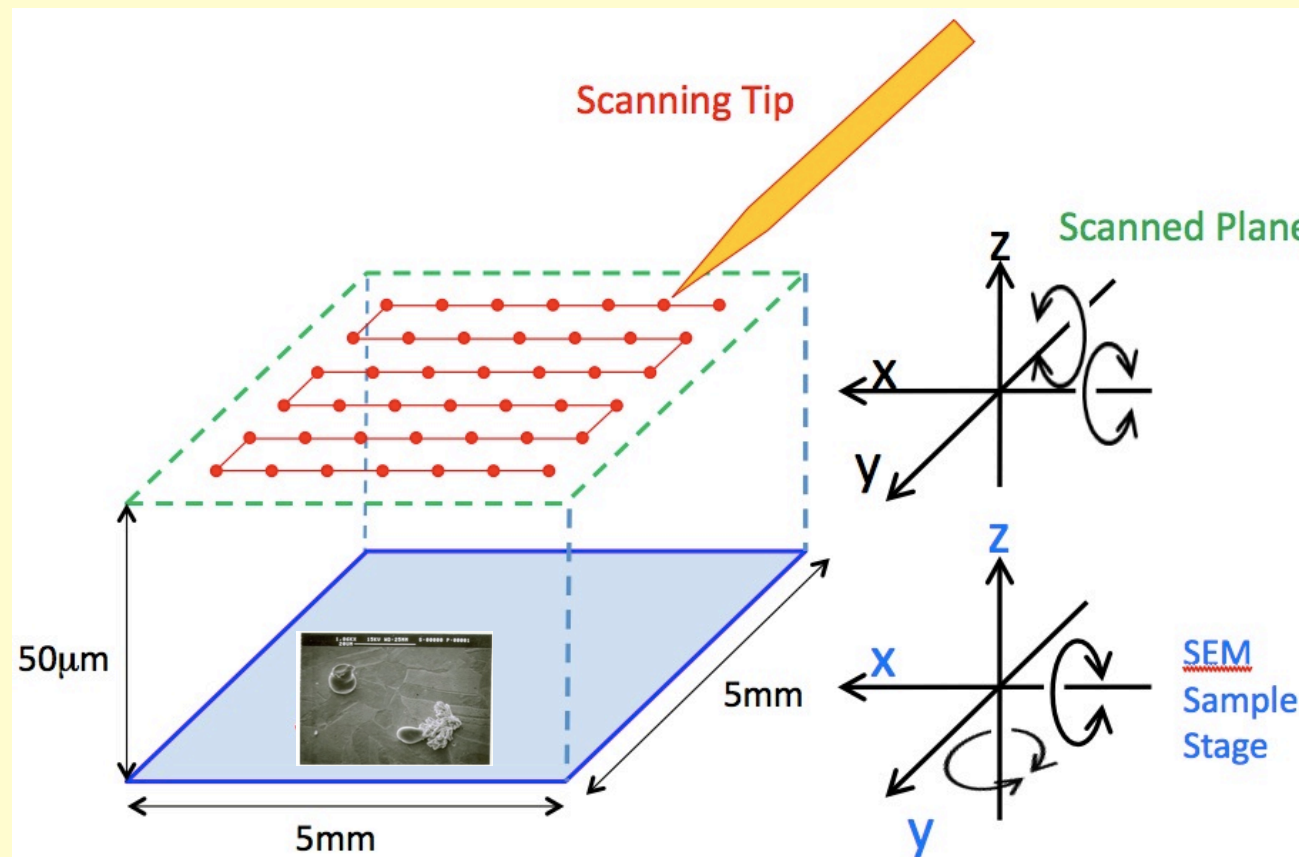
How is FES mapping done?

- ◆ A positively biased tip is scanned over sample surface.
- ◆ If the tip is above some projection or irregular atomic composition, an emission current from the sample will increase at that location.
- ◆ In order to carry out this scanning, what is important is **to keep both the sample plane and the scanned plane parallel even the sample is tilted in any direction with some mechanism.**

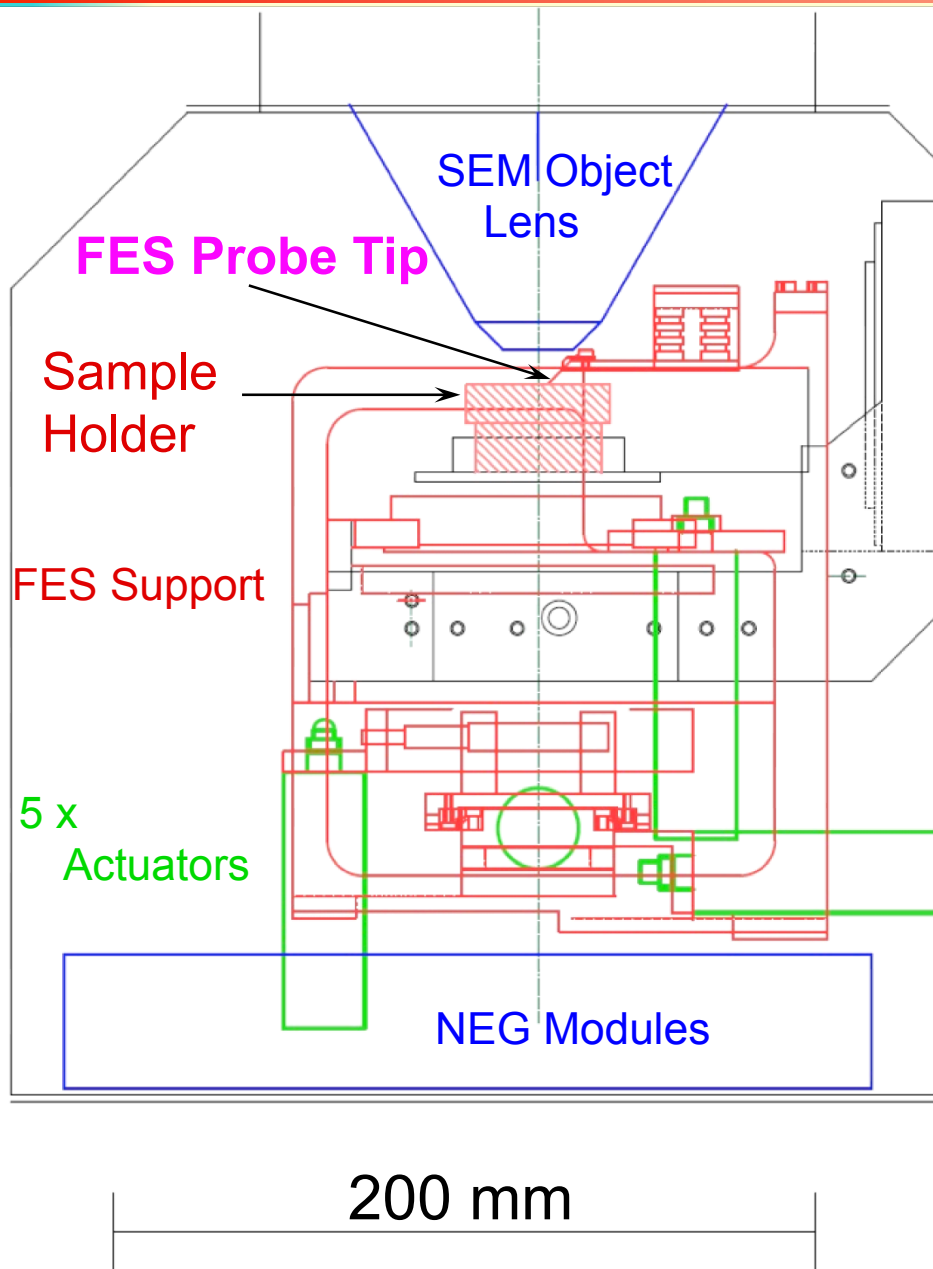


How is FES mapping done? (contn'd)

Three steppers for linear motion (x, y and z) of the tip and two steppers for tilt motion (around x and y) of the scanned plane were installed on SEM sample stage.



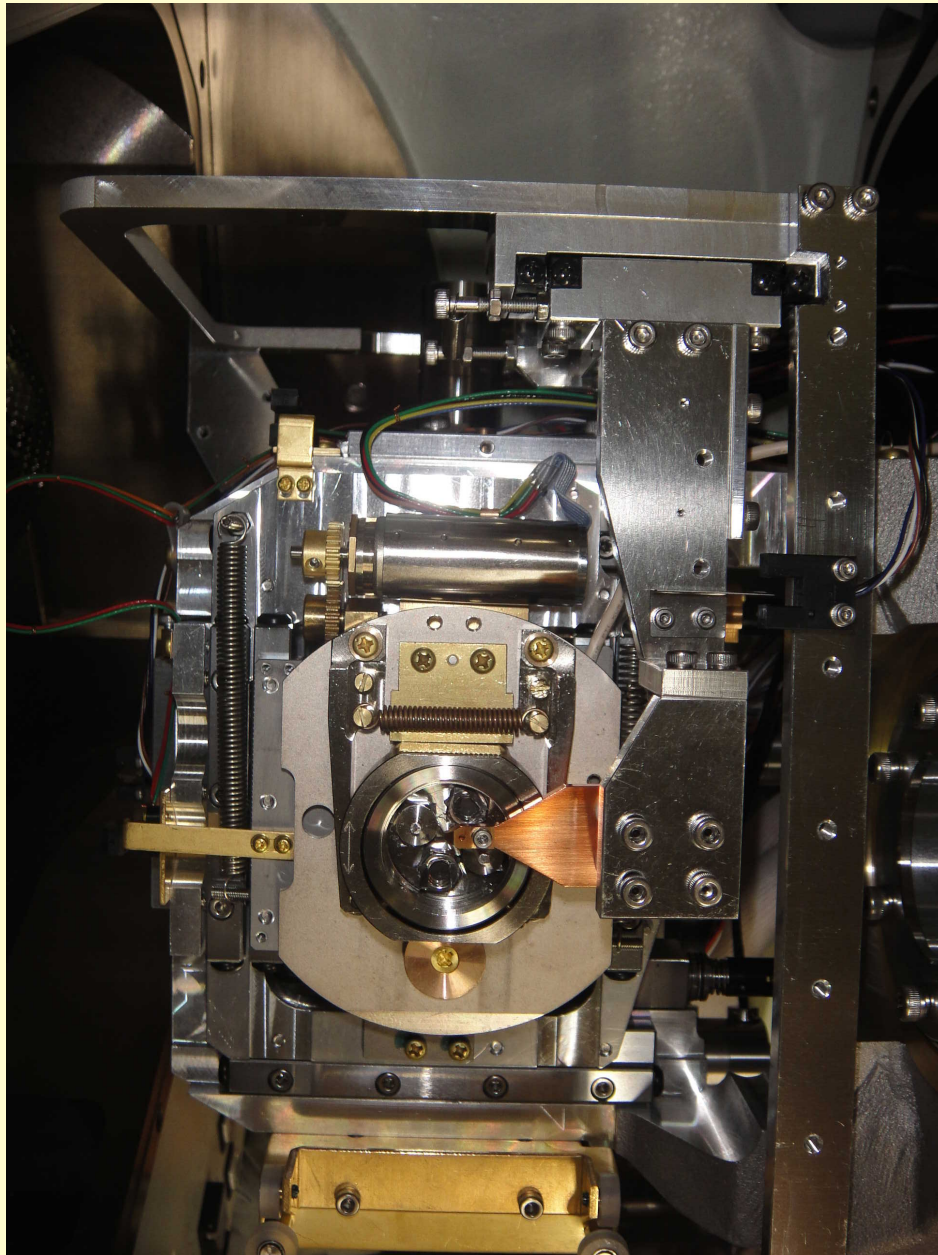
Schematic View and Instrumental Parameters



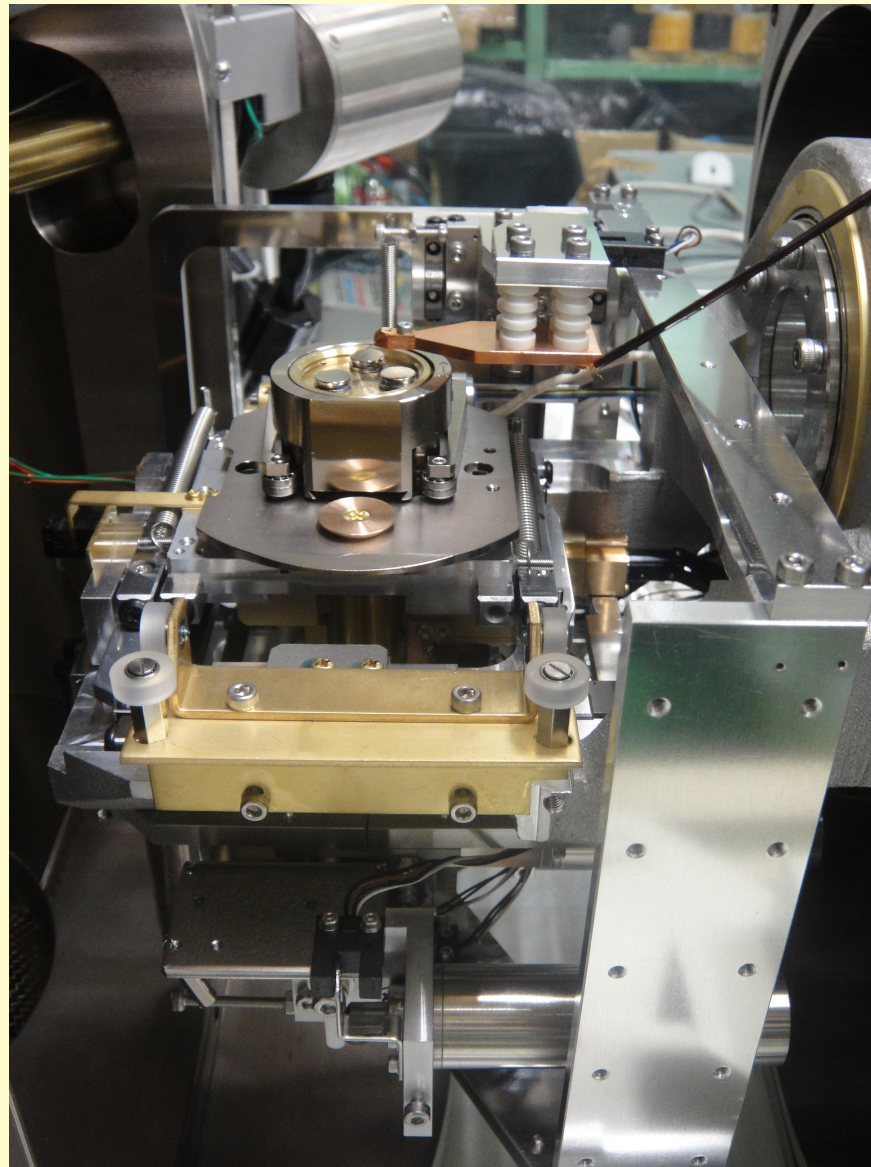
- * Tip Motion in X, Y, Z: $\pm 10\text{mm}$
- * Step Resolution : 250nm
- * Motion Speed : 20mm/36s
@Max (40k steps)
- * Tilt of Scanned Plane : $\pm 3^\circ$
- * High Voltage : $< 15\text{kV}$
ex. $5\text{kV}/5\mu\text{m} = 1000\text{MV/m}$
- * Field Emission Current :
 $> 0.1\text{pA}$
- * Probe Tip : Tungsten
- * Sample Size : $< \phi 8$
- * Scanning Area : 5mm x 5mm

5 Axis Stage

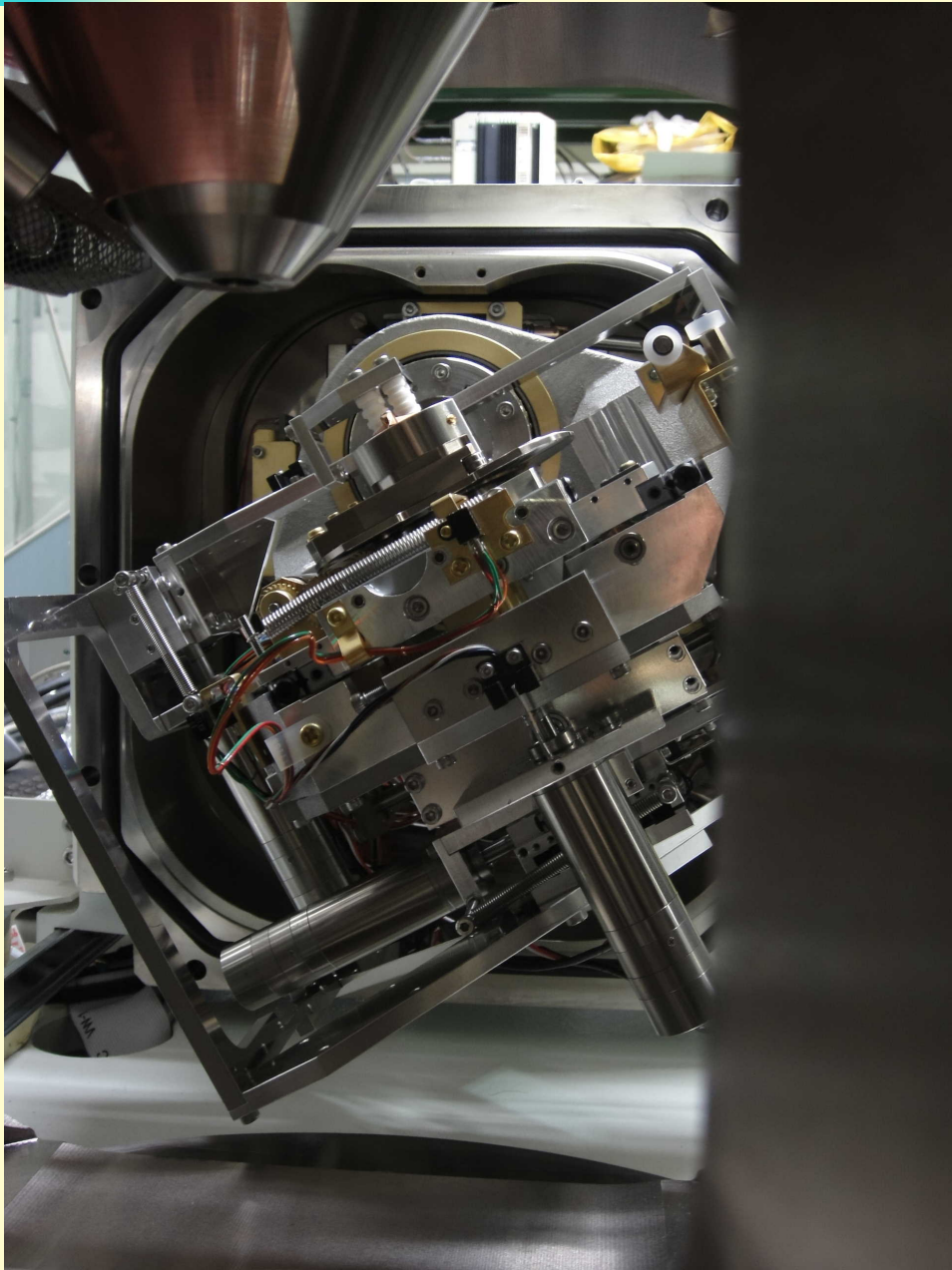
Top View of FES on SEM Stage



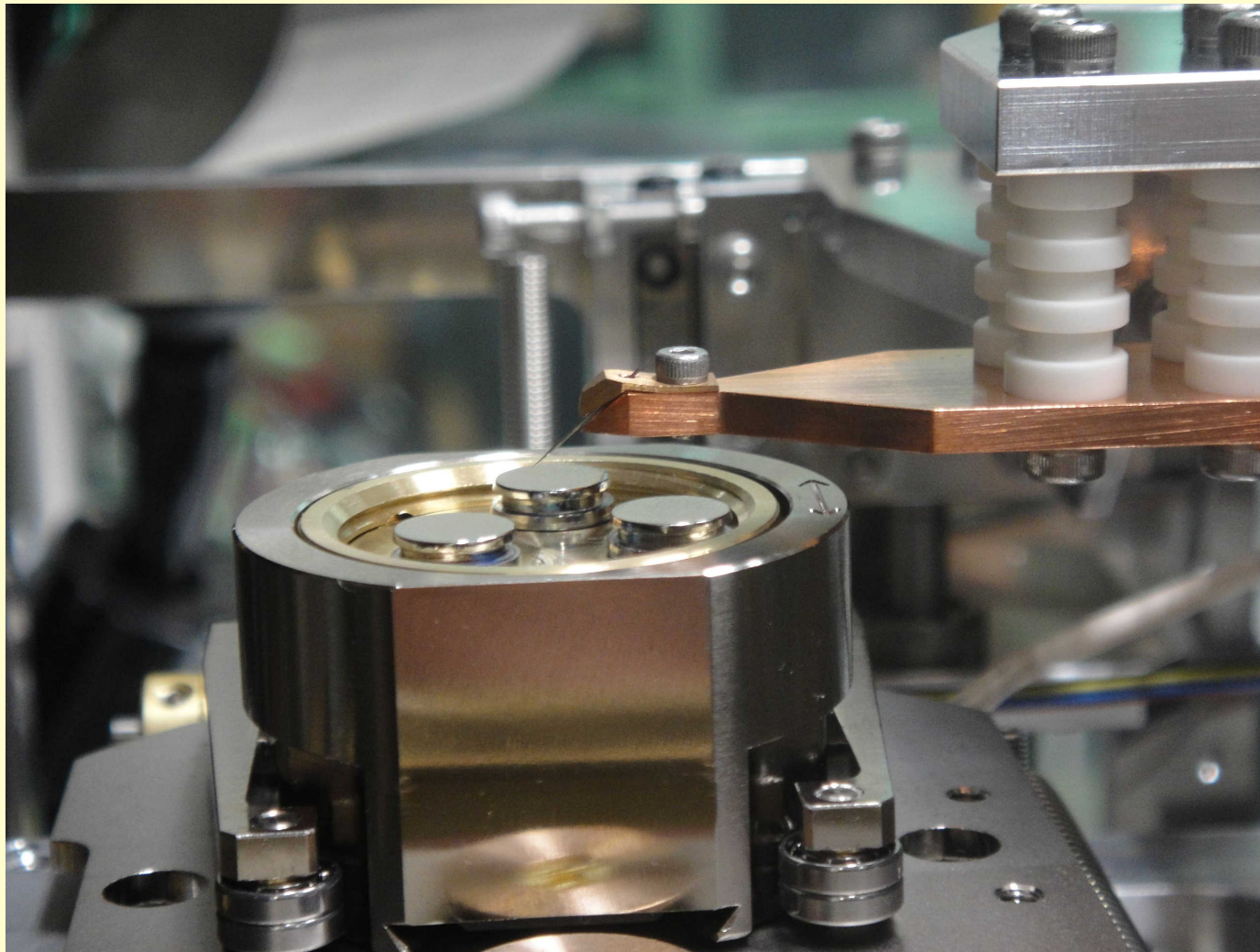
Side View of FES on SEM Stage



Another Side View of FES on SEM Stage



- ◆ The whole FES was built on the SEM stage.
- ◆ Retraction of the scanner head is not needed for SEM-EDX observation.
- ◆ Operation switching between FES and SEM-EDX can be done in seconds, keeping a SEM working distance.



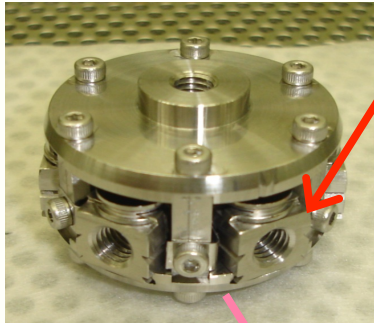
- ◆ Tip raster scan over a size of 5mm x 5mm with help of SEM observation

Combined System of SEM+EDX+FES Equipped with UHV Suitcase + Loadlock

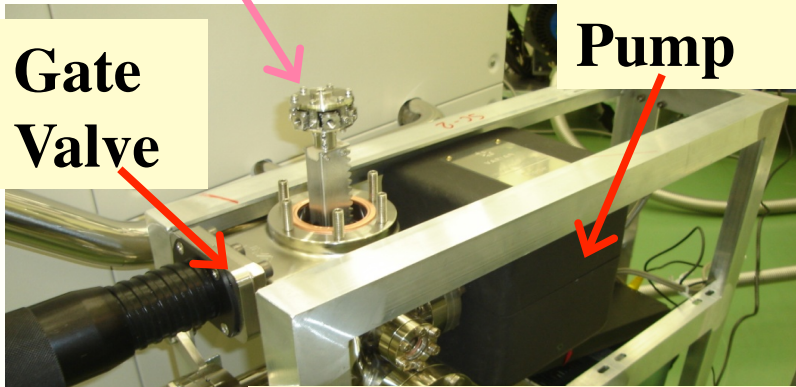


UHV Suitcase

Clean Room



Coupons are set to a carousel in a clean room.

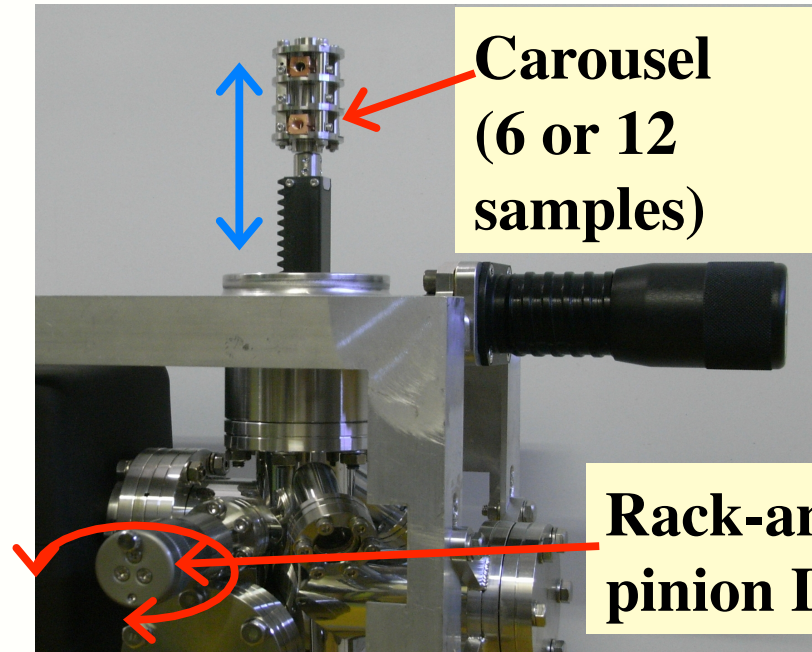


Gate Valve

Ion Pump

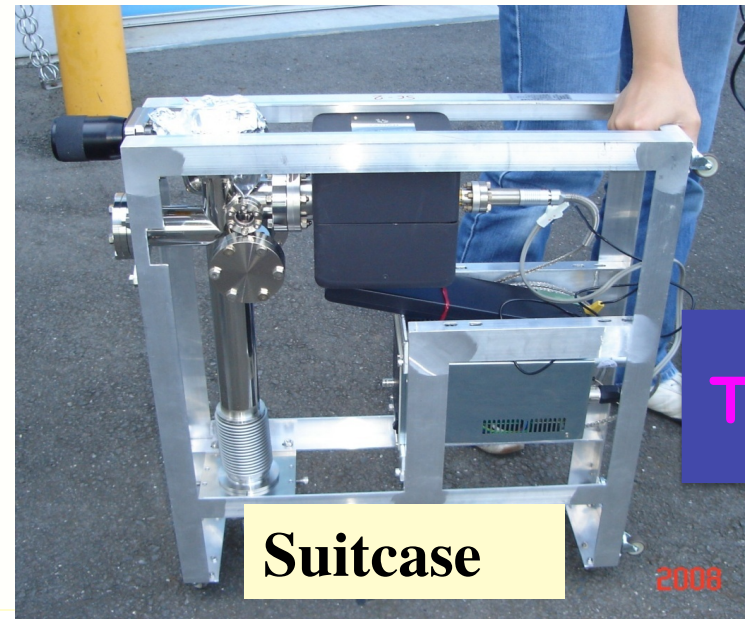
Installation of carousel to suitcase

- Base pressure : $10^{-6} \sim 10^{-7}$ Pa
- Rack-and-pinion system
- Gate valve
- Ion pump
- Battery driven IP Controller
- Weight : 16kg



Carousel (6 or 12 samples)

Rack-and-pinion Drive



Suitcase

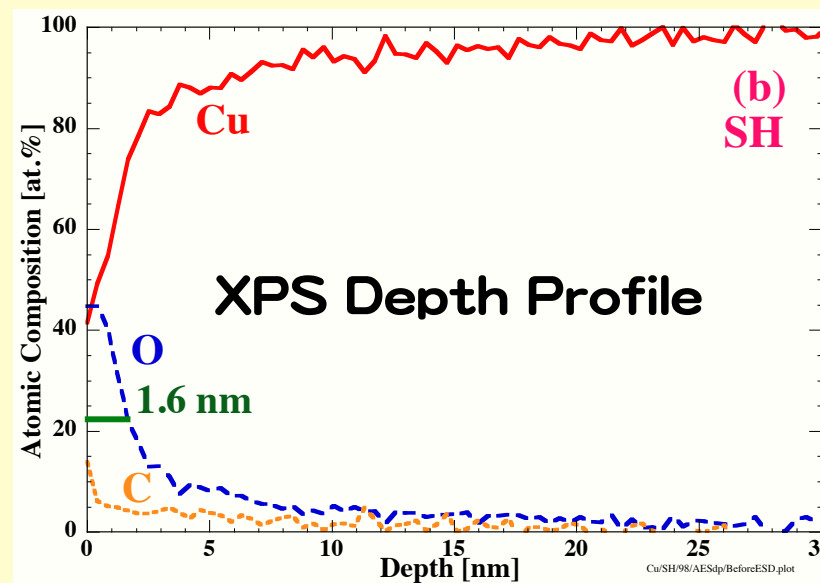
To SEM

OFHC copper samples were machined and chemical-polished.

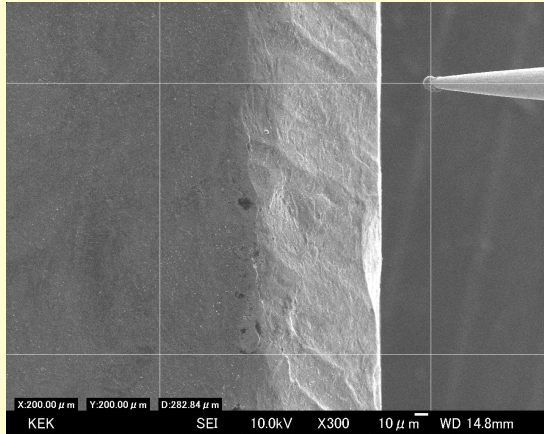
Degreasing	Alkaline Degreaser
Solution (vol.%)	H ₂ SO ₄ +H ₂ O ₂
Concentration (vol.%)	1.8 + 1.0
Temperature (°C)	25
Etching Time (min.)	10
Removal Thickness (nm)	1100
Roughness R _z , R _a (μm)	0.9, 0.1



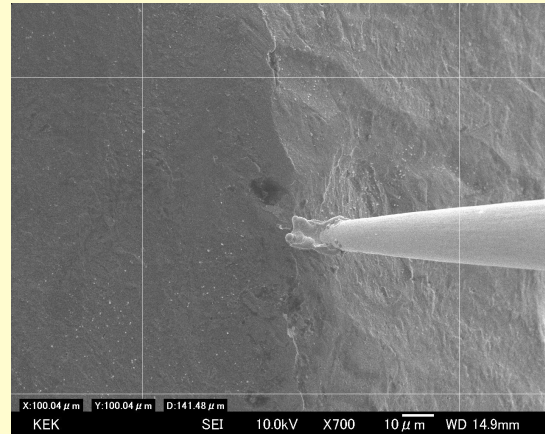
↔ 10 μm



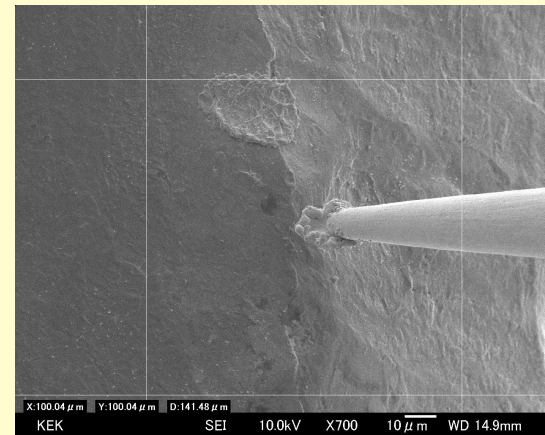
Emission Mapping at chamfer of OFHC Copper Sample with 340MV/m



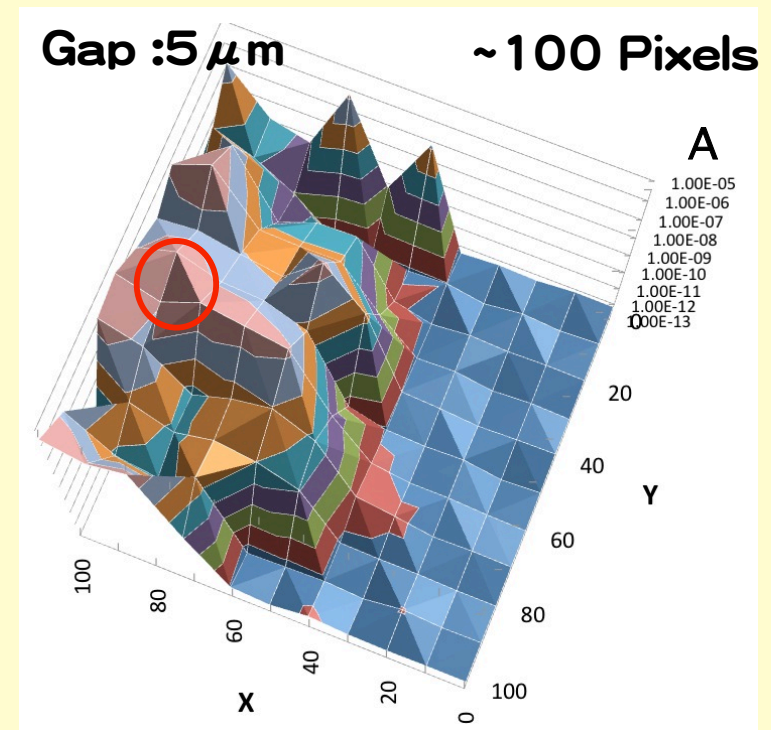
200 μm



100 μm



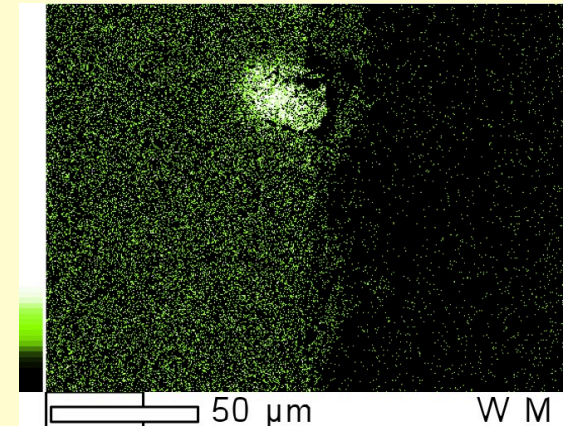
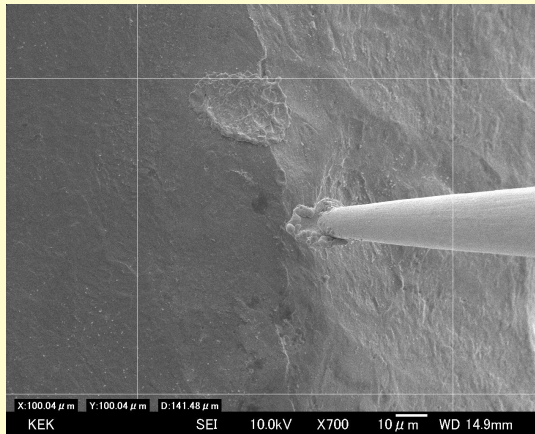
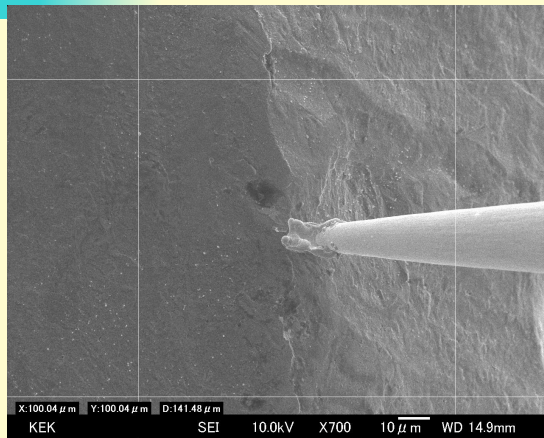
Surface
Roughness at :
Rz = 0.90 μm
Ra = 0.10 μm



100x100 μm^2

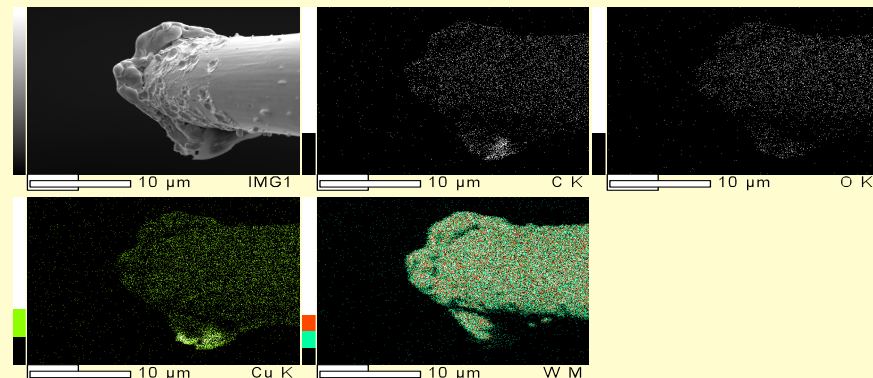
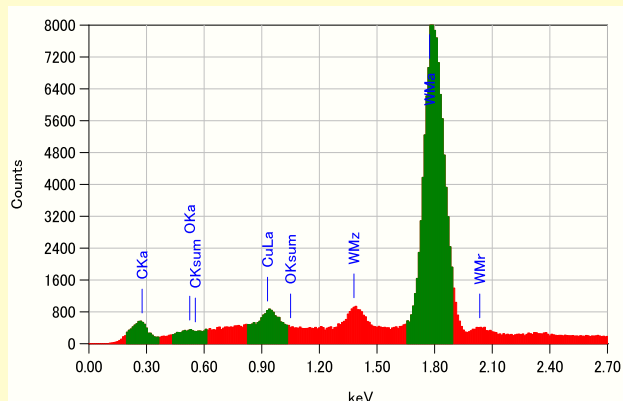
- ◆ The emission mapping is almost in good agreement with the SEM images.
- ◆ The peak current was 5 μA .
- ◆ A destructive discharge occurred during the measurement due to the too high gradient.

EDX Map after FES Scanning



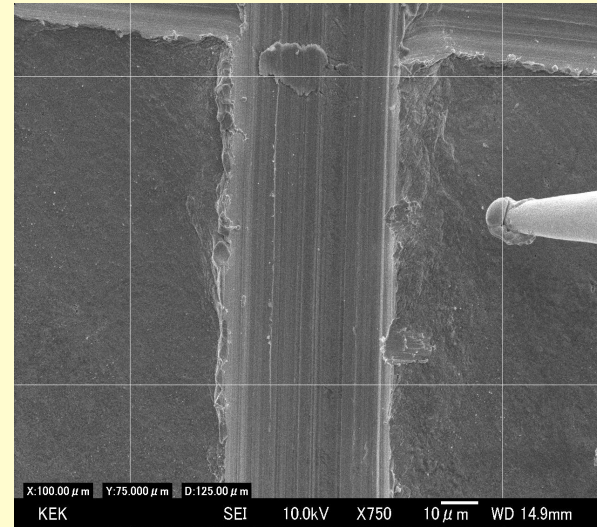
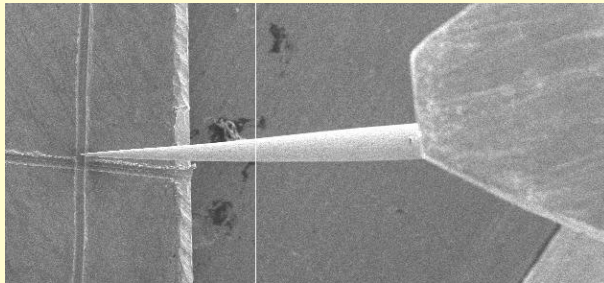
100 μm

- ◆ EDX result implies that the destructive discharge would cause electron beam induced “spattering” of the tungsten tip and subsequent tungsten droplet deposition on the copper surface.



- ◆ EDX result implies that some portion of melted copper due to probable electromigration would splash on the tungsten tip and/or sputtered copper due to self-sputtering would deposit on it.

Emission Mapping at Scratched OFHC Copper Surface with 120MV/m



100x75 μm²

100 μm

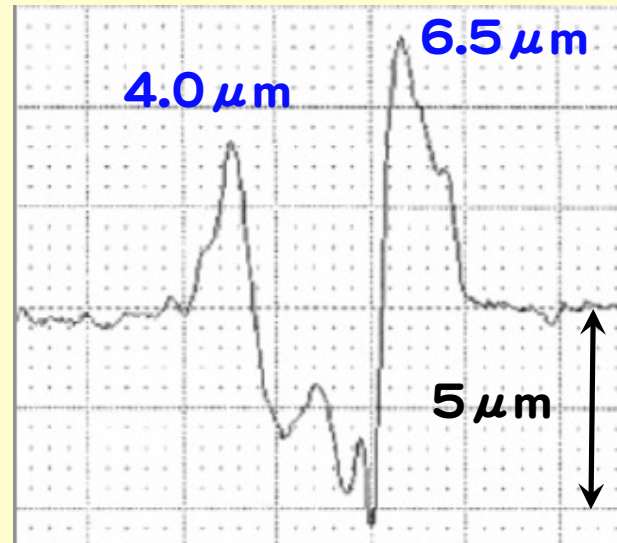
● Surface Roughness at :

Rz = 0.90 μm

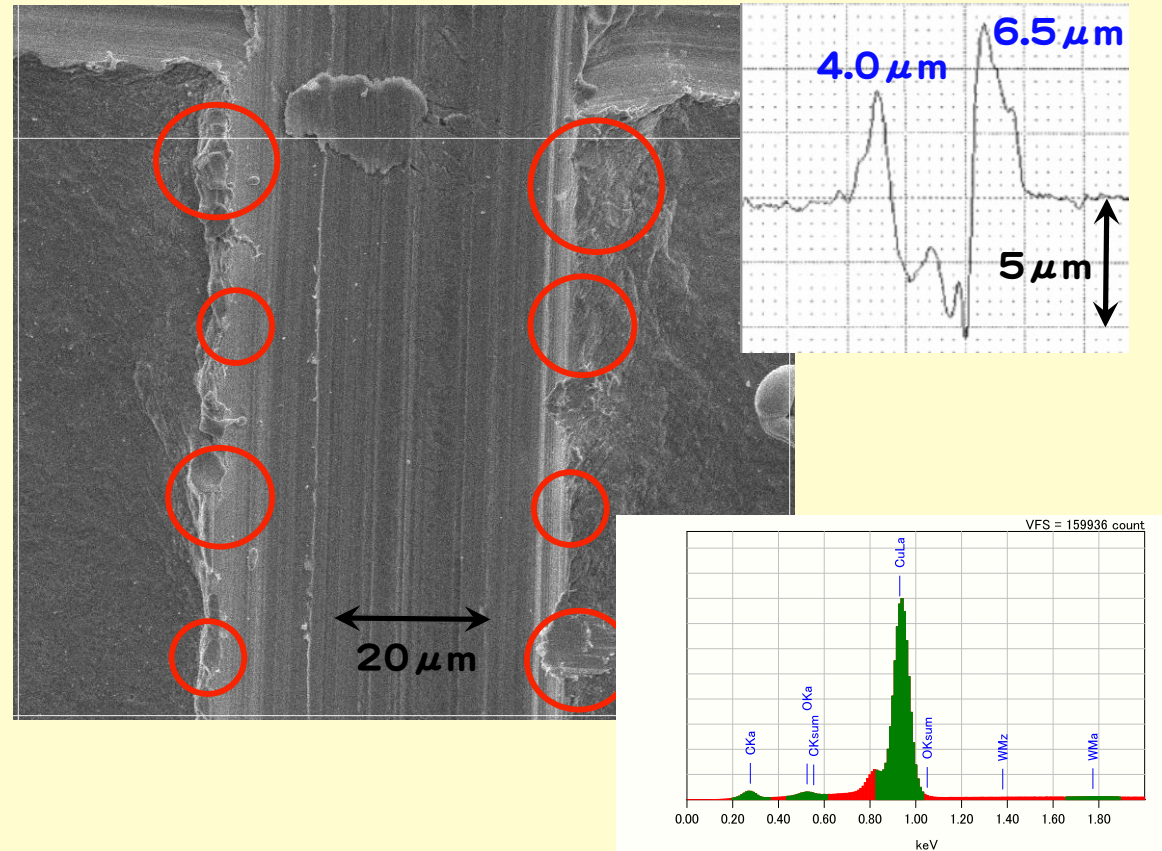
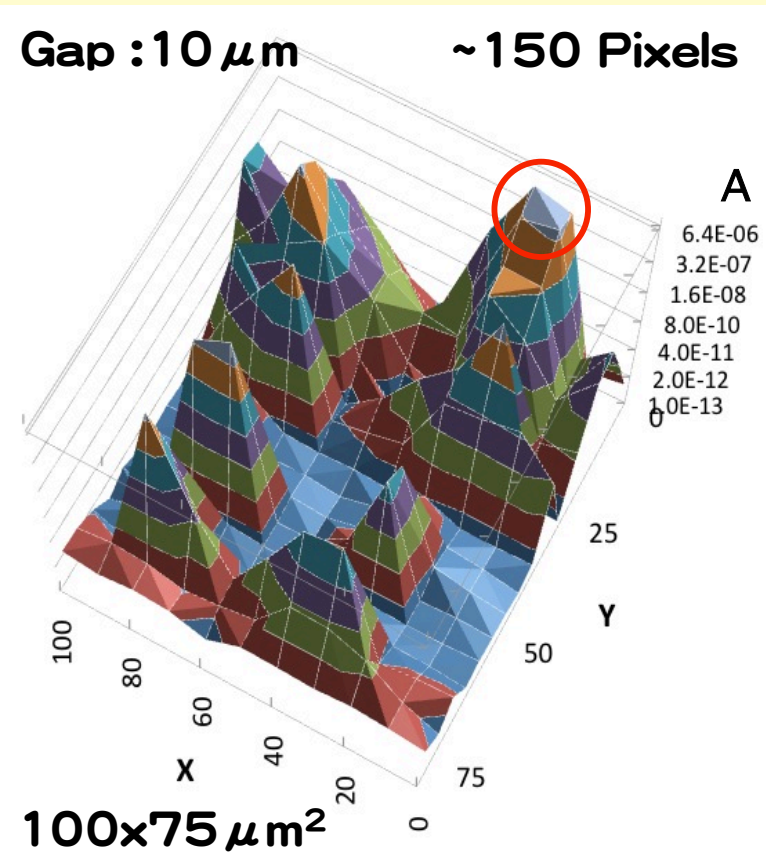
Ra = 0.10 μm

● Groove Depth = 3~5 μm

● Side rise = 4~7 μm



Emission Mapping at Scratched OFHC Copper Surface with 120MV/m (cont'd)



- ◆ The FES mapping at the artificial damage corresponds to SEM images.
- ◆ The peak emission current was measured to be $\sim 10\ \mu\text{A}$, that would trigger BD.
- ◆ In general, one should consider surface composition of the emitter as well as its topography.
- ◆ EDX showed there was no special elements which would cause the field emission at this position.

- ❏ Field emission is one of critical issues to achieve higher performance of accelerating cavities.
- ❏ Designing of FES was done in order to enable in-situ scanning and SEM + EDX observation, vibration-free scanning, quick mode change and sample loading through UHV suitcase + loadlock for keeping dust particle free and UHV.
- ❏ Three steppers for linear motion and two steppers for tilt motion were installed on the SEM sample stage to keep the tip-surface distance constant over the scanned surface.
- ❏ FES has a potential to map field emitters with a lateral resolution down to 250nm over a surface of 5mm x 5mm.
- ❏ First application study of FES to OFHC copper coupons was done.
- ❏ The emission mapping is almost in good agreement with the SEM image.
- ❏ One should consider surface composition of the emitter as well as its topography.

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Challenge and Enjoy it!



Thank you for attention!