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# Advanced tube type Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn conductor and its applications in Hyper Tech

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## Hyper Tech

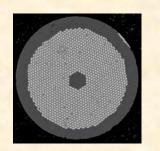
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Hyper Tech was founded in 2001 and has become a leading manufacturer of magnesium diboride (MgB<sub>2</sub>), and niobium-tin (Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn) superconductor wires. Hyper Tech Engineers have considerable experience designing and manufacturing superconducting coils and cryogenic systems for customers using MgB<sub>2</sub>, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, and YBCO superconductor wires and tapes. This enables us to recommend to customers the right superconductor for the desired applications.

# **Manufacturing Experience**

#### Experience in conductor manufacturing, coil fabrication or both:

- BSCCO
- MgB<sub>2</sub>
- Nb<sub>3</sub>Al
- Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn
- NbTi
- Pnictides
- YBCO
- Other non-ferrous nonsuperconducting





#### Processing equipment:

- Wire drawing equipment and furnaces for R & D conductor development
- Welded seam CTFF process for mono and multi-filament wire (one shift 10,000 km/yr capacity)
- Large capacity twisting
- Wire-in-channel soldering
- Insulation braiding
- Coil winding capacity designed for strainsensitive wire









## Low AC loss MgB2 wire and applications

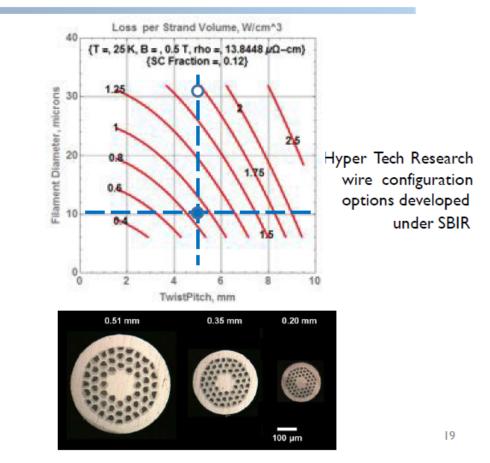
### Reducing Losses in AC Stator Requires Litz-like Wire



SC wire development driven by calculated (theoretical) AC losses

Solution is fine, tightly twisted filaments ↓Hysteresis Loss, need fine filaments ↓Coupling Loss, need tight twist ↓Transport Loss, usually negligible

SBIR work by Hyper Tech Research



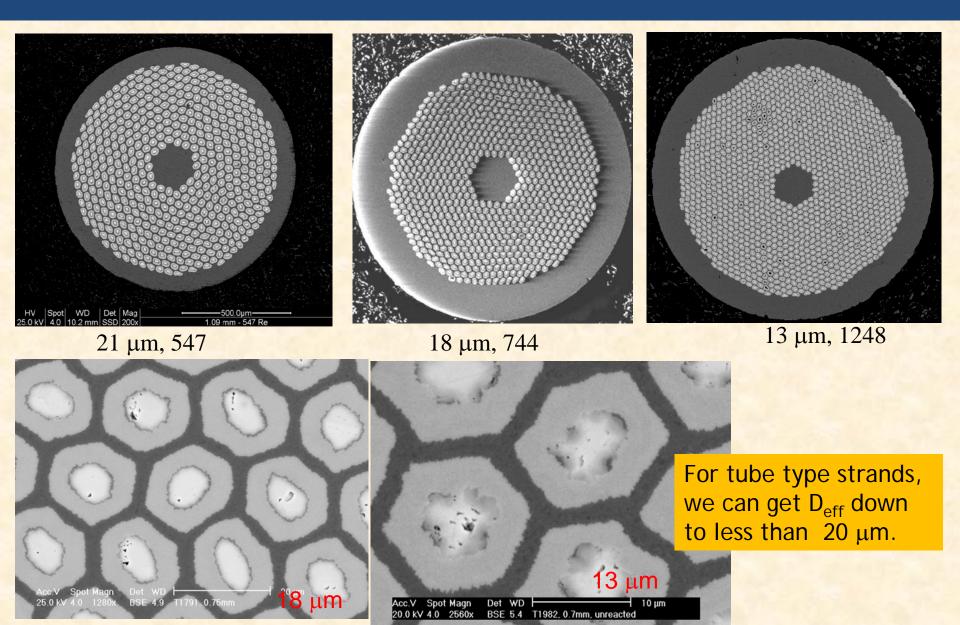
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## Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Conductor Manufacture at Hyper Tech

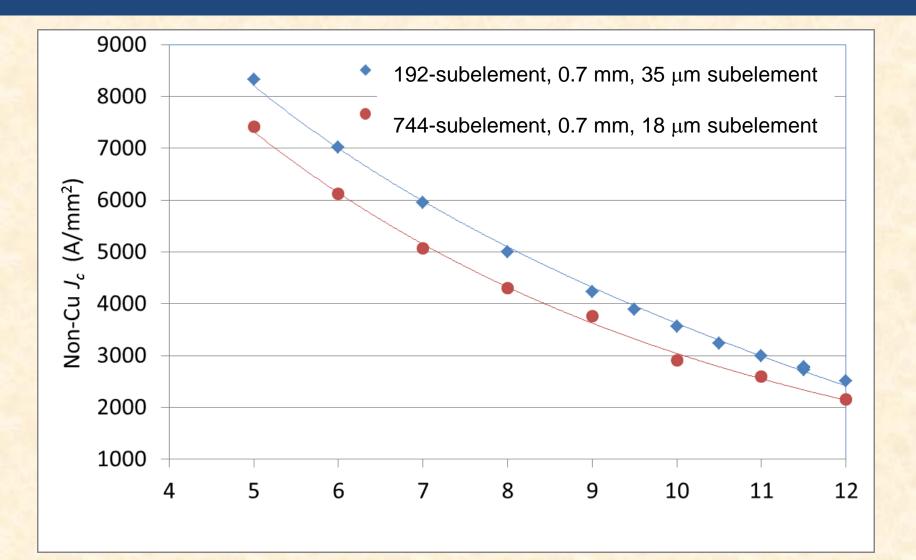




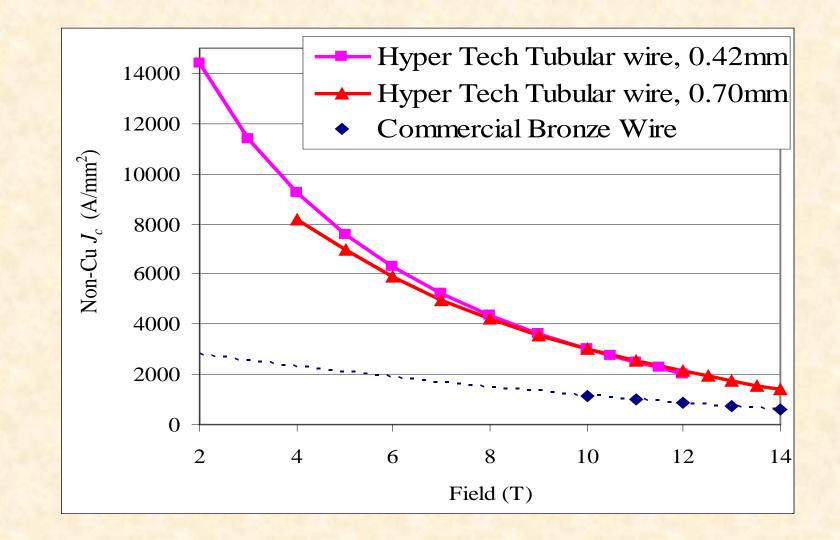
## High Count Restack Tube Type Strands



### $J_c s$ Results



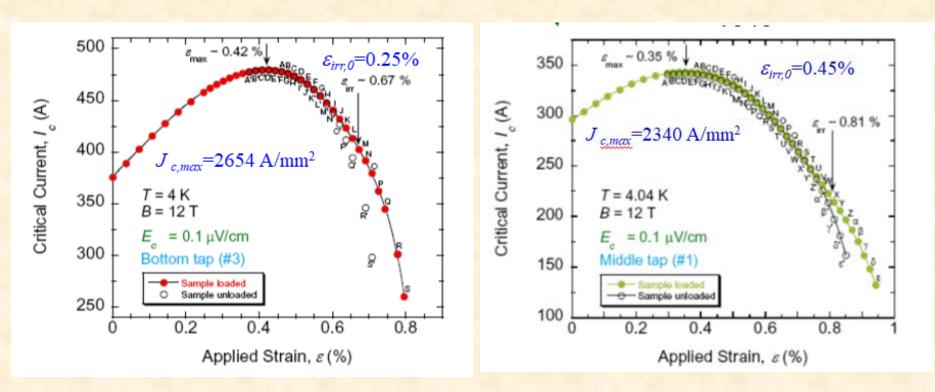
### $J_c s$ Results of 744 restack strands



### Strain Sensitivity (12 T)

192-subelement, 0.7 mm

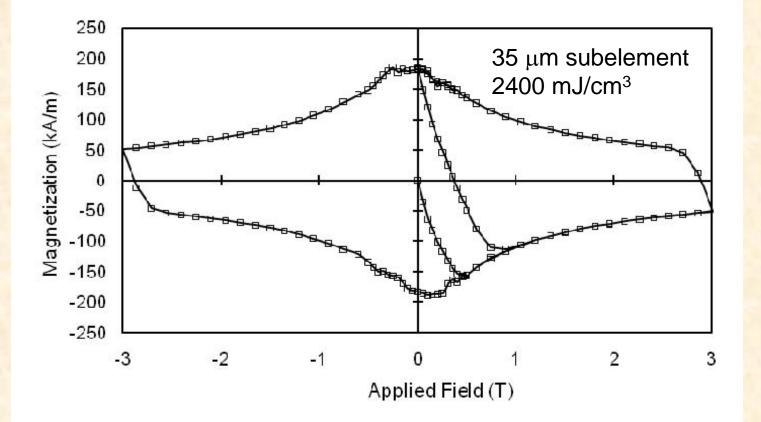
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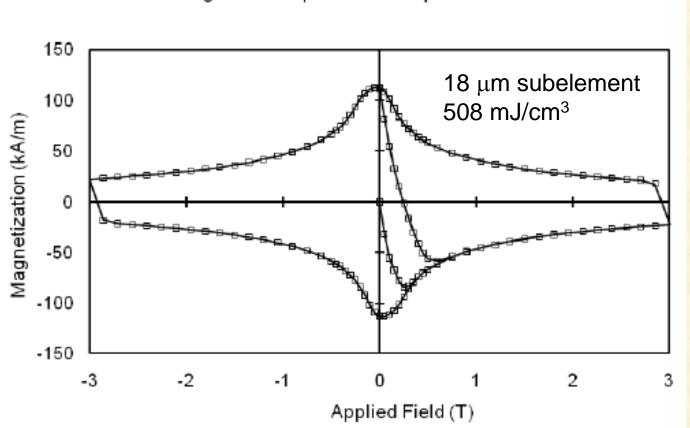
**Tested by NIST** 

# Magnetization Data of the 192-subelement Wire (0.7 mm)



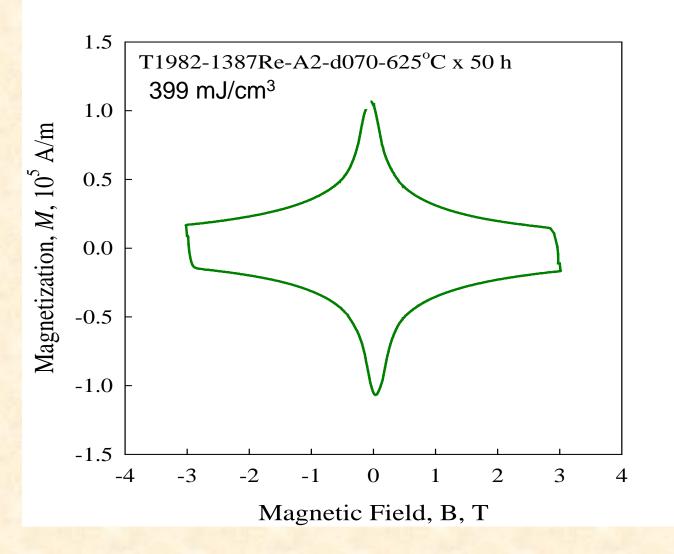


# Magnetization Data of the 744-subelement Wire (0.7 mm)



Magnetization per Total Sample Volume

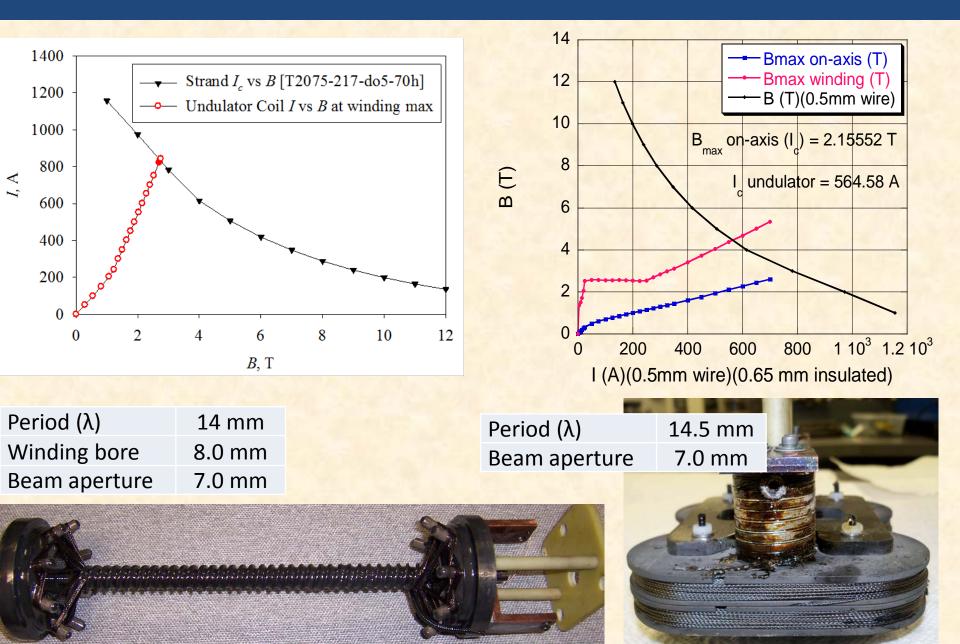
# Magnetization Data of the 1248-subelement Wire (0.7 mm)



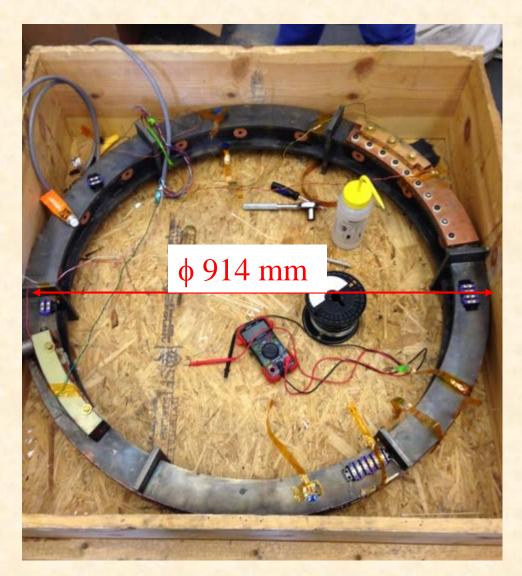
Strand	D <sub>eff</sub>	Non-Cu Jc at 12 T, A/mm <sup>2</sup>	I <sub>c</sub> of 0.7mm strands, A	ε <sub>irr,0</sub> , %	AC loss, mJ/cm <sup>3</sup>
744-subelement	18 µm	1900-2200	300-350	0.43-0.48	600
1248-subelement	12 µm	1600-2200	250-350		400

## This high count restack wire could be used for Future Advanced Fusion Projects

### **Applications on Short Period Helical Undulators**



### **One Meter OD Coil Made for High Field MRI**



- 1. Standard 0.7 mm 217 pattern Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn Strand;
- 2. About 1.6 km length;
- 3. Coil OD = 914 mm;
- 4. Wind and React
- 5. Conductive cooling

Application: 5-11T full body

MRI's that are conduction cooled and slightly larger than today's 3T systems

### **Big Racetrack Coil Made for NASA Project**

### U of Illinois High Field, Partially Superconducting Machine

- U of Illinois, Ohio State, MagSoft, AFRL collaboration on NASA LEARN award
- Conduction-cooled, "air-core" SC machine leveraging available MRI-magnet technology
- Active magnetic shield eliminates field outside motor while maximizing "air gap" flux density
- Peak fields up to 10Tesla
- High field SC (e.g.,Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn,YBCO)
- Address key technical feasibility questions: high field SC coils, cryogenicTMS, structural integrity, motor power density
- Specific power estimates upto 56 kW/kg for 20 MW, 6000 rpm machine with HTS windings

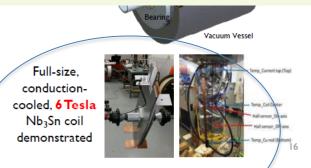
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### Coil for University of Illinois

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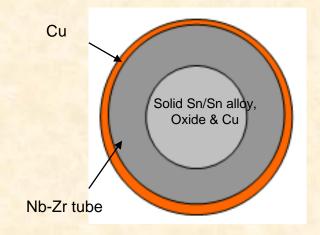
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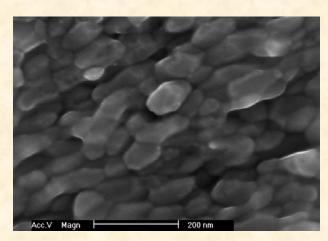
- 2. About 1.5 km length;
- 3. Dimensions: 31"x12"x6.5"
- 4. Wind and React;
- 5. Conductive cooling



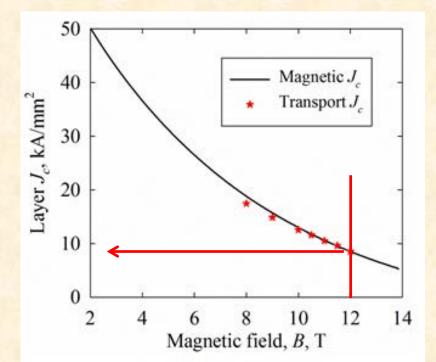
Enhanced Pinning in Binary and Ternary Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn strand by using Internal Oxidation approach.

## **Use Internal Oxidation to Improve Jc**



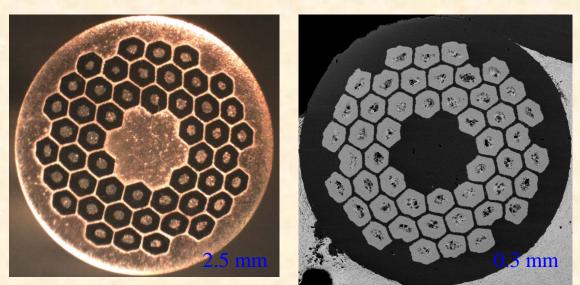


The average grain size is about 50 nm after heattreatment of 650C for 52 hours



Transport layer  $J_c$  and magnetic layer  $J_c$  of the subelements

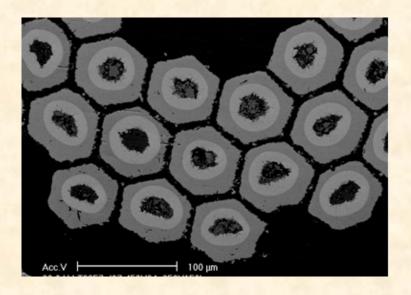
### **Could we make the filaments into practical strands?**

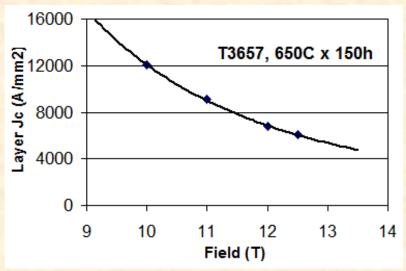


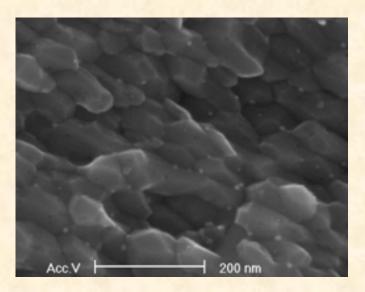
The (48+7) restack wire was drawn down to 0.3 mm without any breakage, which have filament size of about 27  $\mu$ m.

### Yes, we can make it into high count restack

### **Improve Jc in Tube Type Strands using APC**

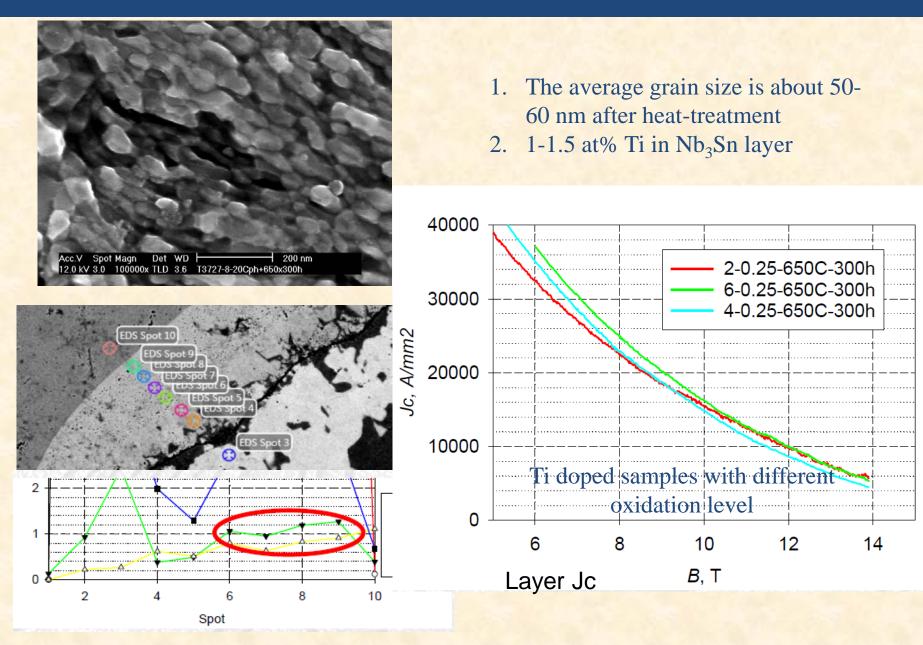






The grains were slightly refined as about 80 nm. The layer  $J_c$  at 12 T is about 6800 A/mm<sup>2</sup> which is lower than the subelement since the grains are not fully refined.

### **Ti doped Ternary Tube Type strands using APC**



### Summary

- 1.Manufacture 919-pattern restack wire with diameter of 1 mm and 0.7 mm at Hyper Tech, which could be used for future fusion applications;
- 2.Manufacture 217-pattern restack wire with diameter of 1 mm and0.7 mm at Hyper Tech, which is ready for high field applications;
- 3.Demonstrated grain refinement by a factor of 3 and a doubling of 12 T *Jc* in monofilaments.
- 4.Draw multifilamentary strands down to small diameter with filament size less than 30  $\mu$ m and demonstrated multifilamentary strands with refined grains and enhanced Jc values.
- 5.Preliminary work on Ternary by doping Ti shows high feasibility to improve Jc and  $B_{C2}$
- 6.Great potential for Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn to provide the desired engineering current densities to enable 16 T HEP magnets for FCC with big margin.

