

# Status of high gradient studies at Uppsala

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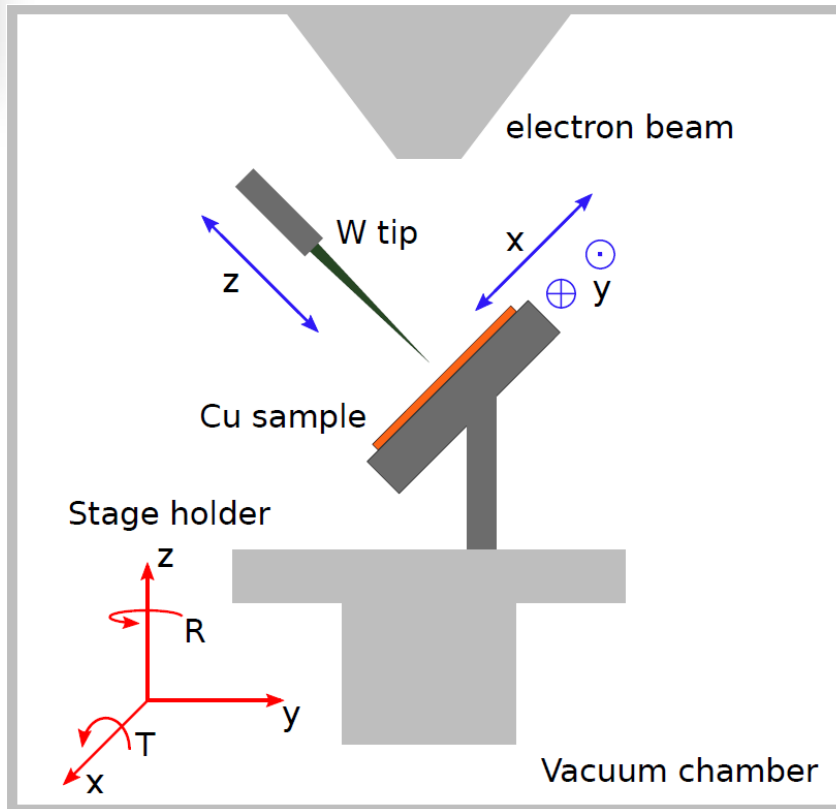
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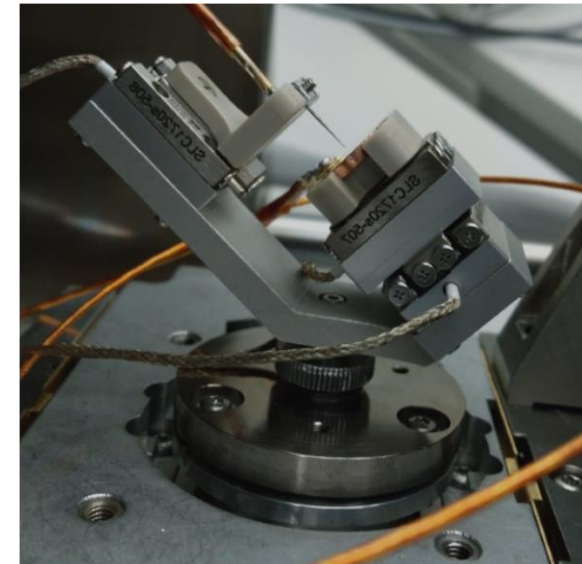
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- **In-SEM Field Emission Studies**
  - **I-V curves**
  - **Changes in surface composition**
- **Cold DC Setup**
- **Dark and Breakdown Currents at Xbox**
- **Summary and Outlook**



## *In-SEM Setup*



### Stage

W tip, radius of curvature 5  $\mu\text{m}$   
 nm precision piezo-motors

### Environmental SEM

Field emitting gun, 10-30 kV  
 Vacuum  $\sim 7 \times 10^{-5}$  mBar

### Keithley 6517a Electrometer

FE currents from sub-pA to mA  
 Applied V = up to 1 kV, 50 Hz

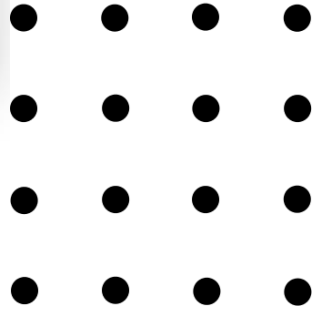
**Typical gap distance  $\rightarrow$  700 nm**

Surface search procedure:

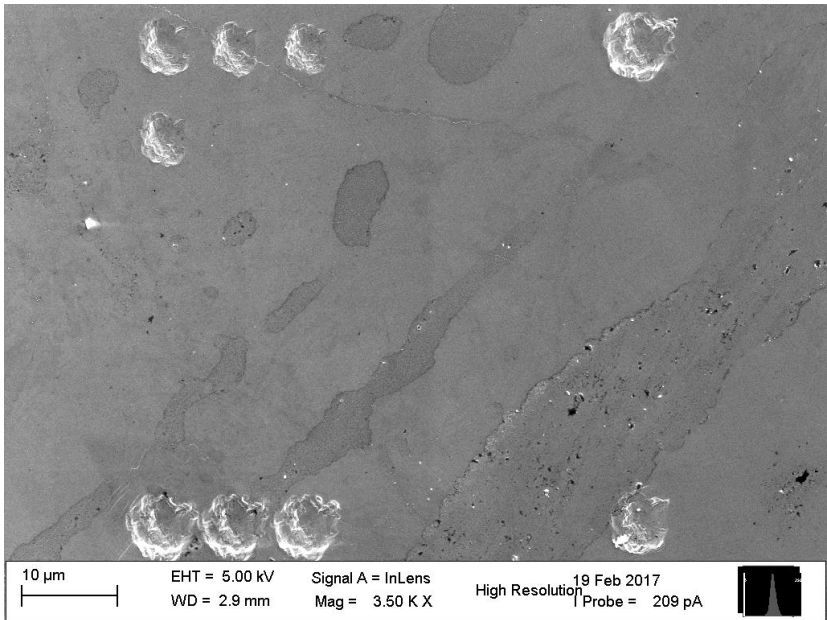
Low voltage, approach surface in steps (2 nm) while measuring current until threshold breach (done 2 times just left and right to the area-of-interest)

# Results of surface scan

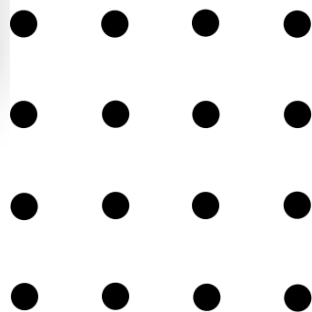
Example:  
Scan pattern  
16 points inside  
50x50  $\mu\text{m}$



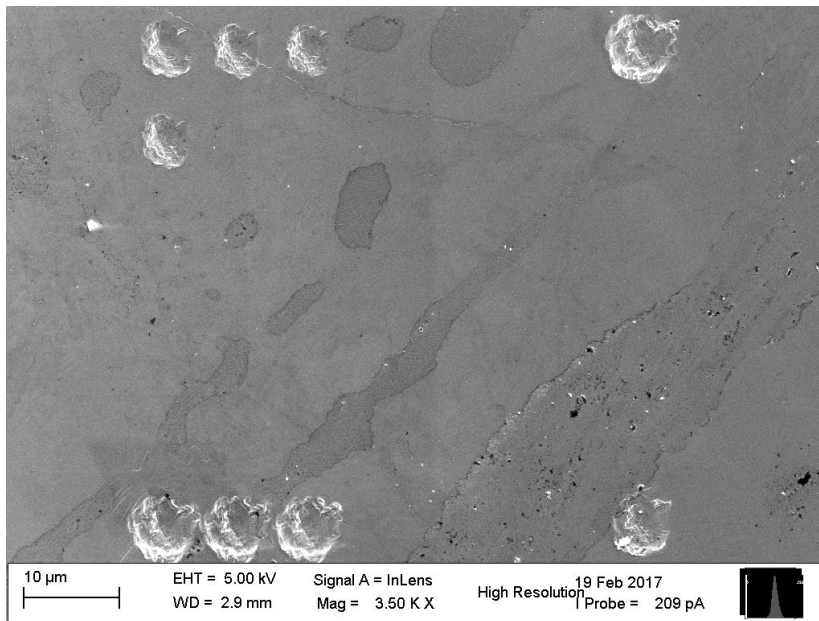
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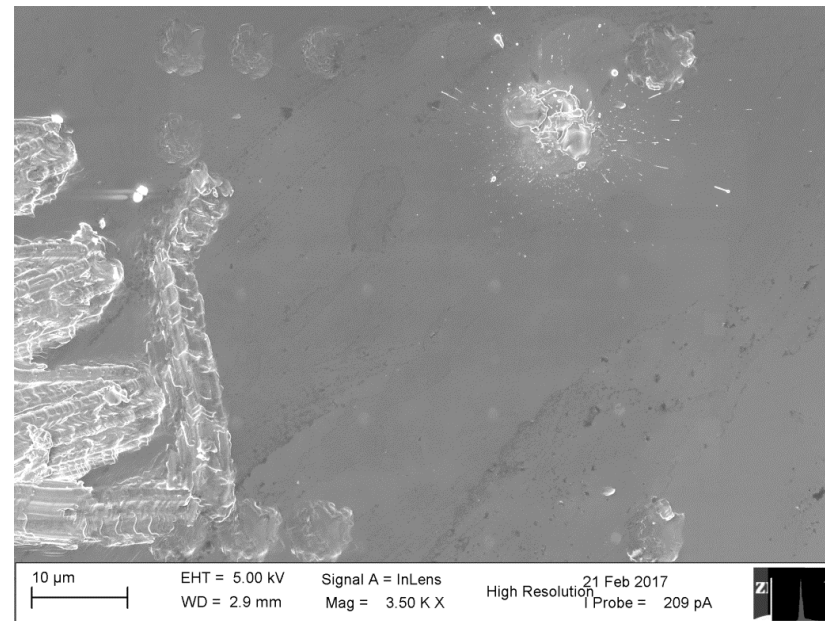
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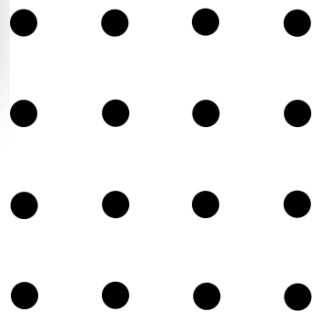


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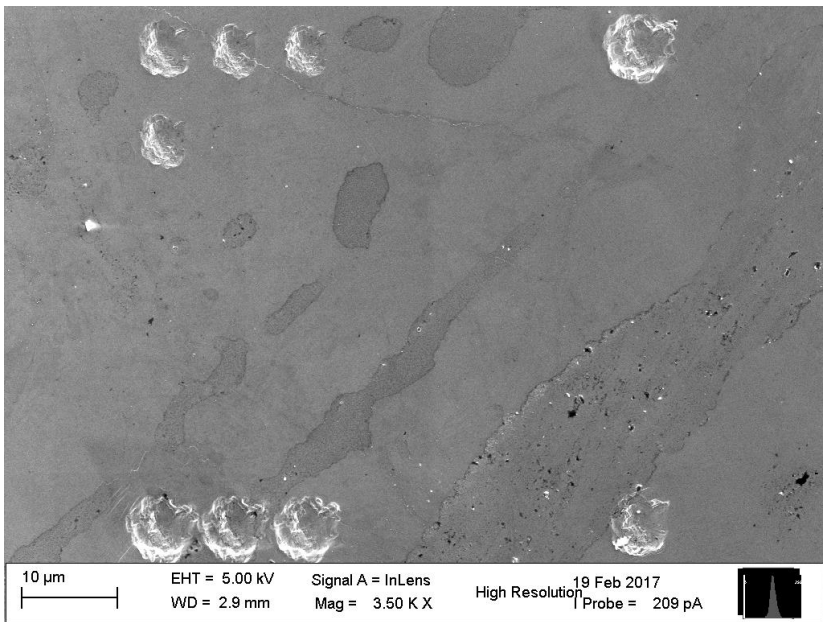
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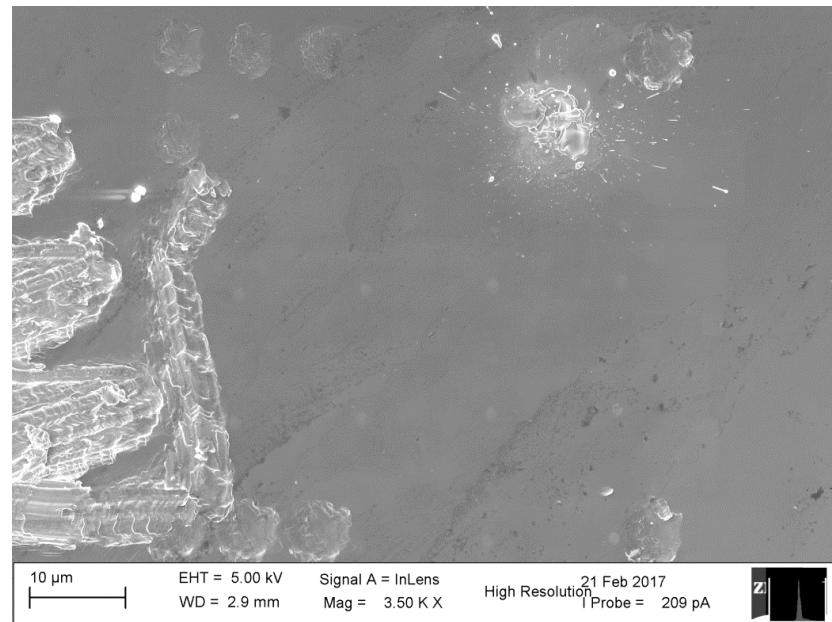
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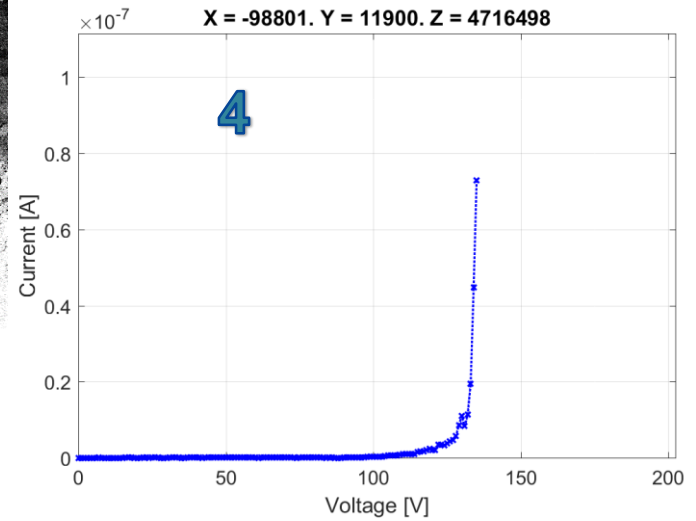
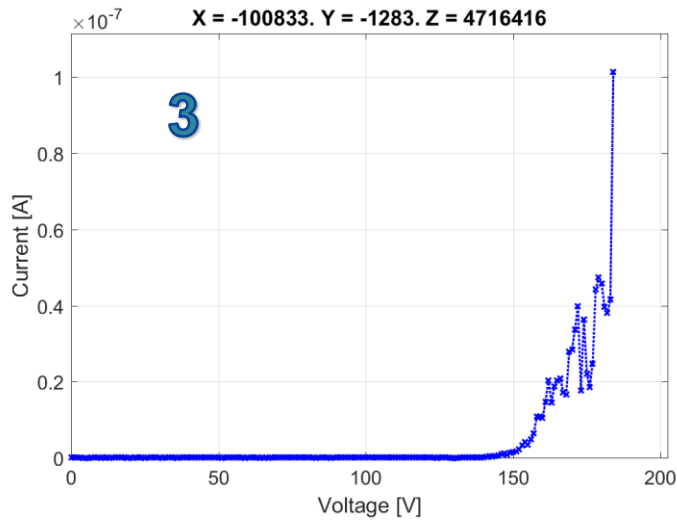
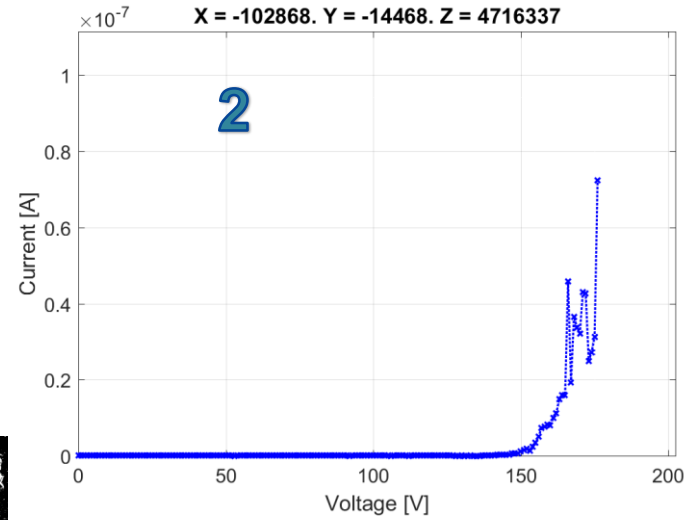
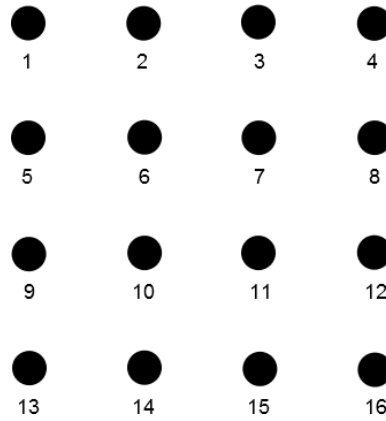
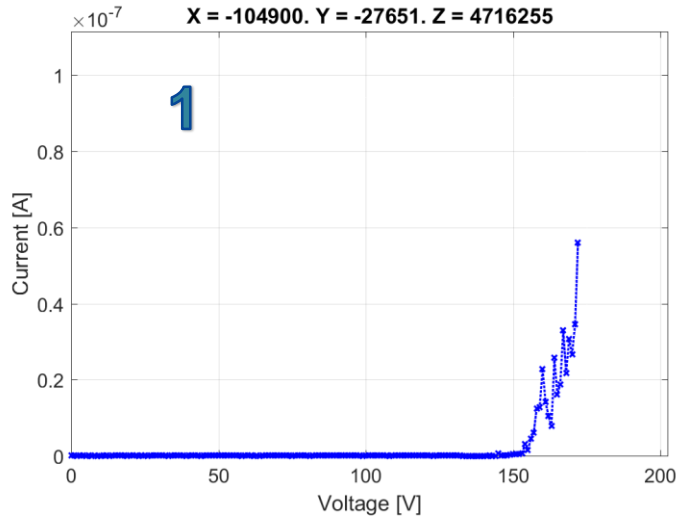
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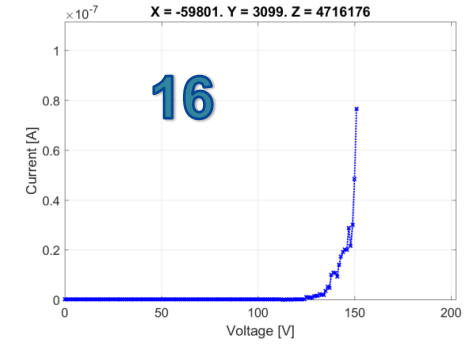
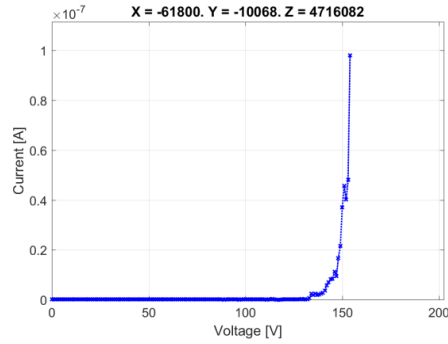
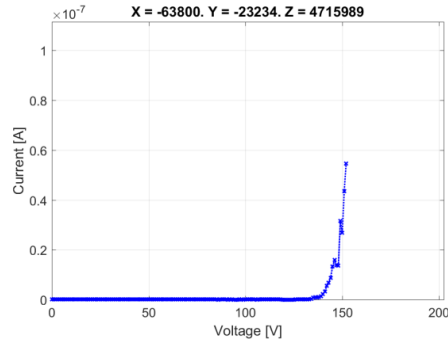
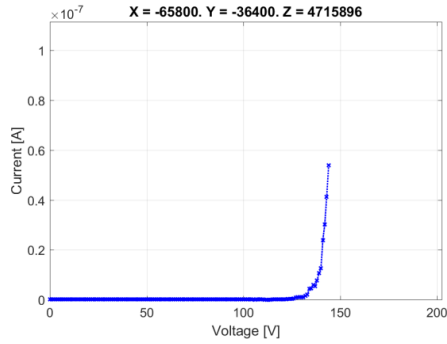
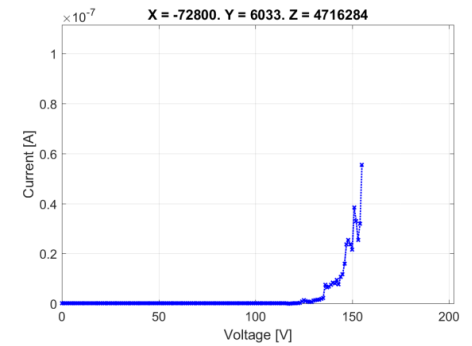
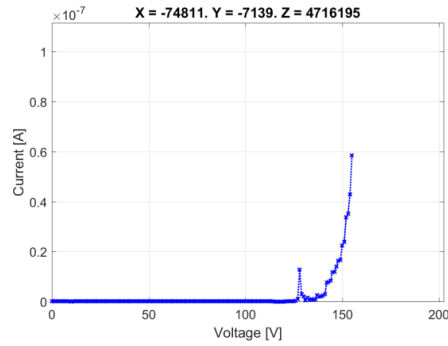
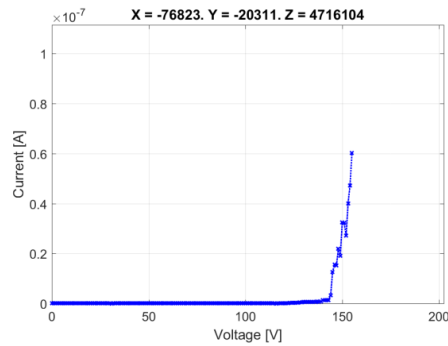
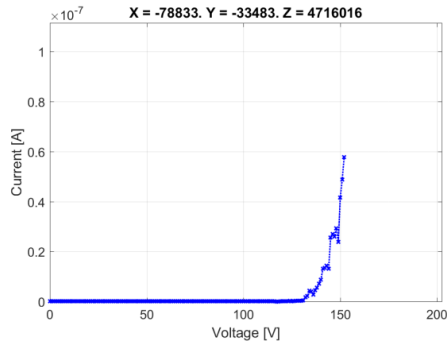
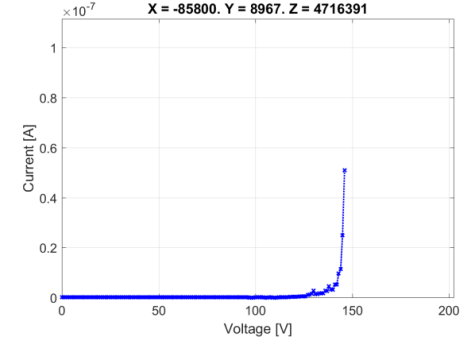
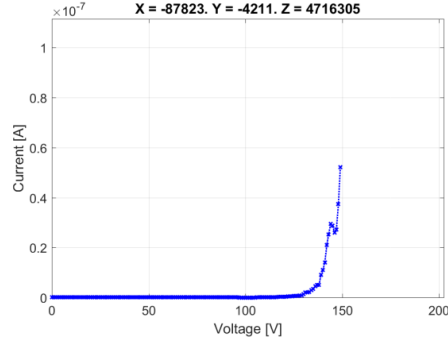
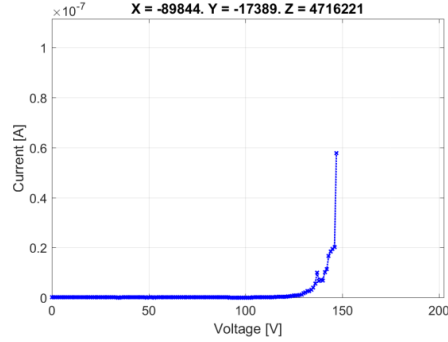
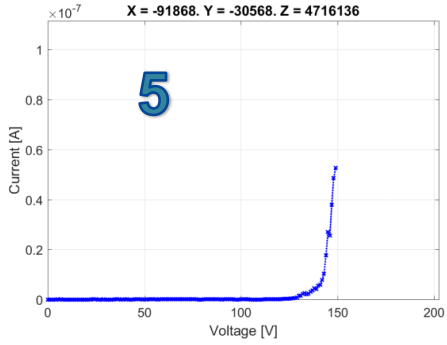
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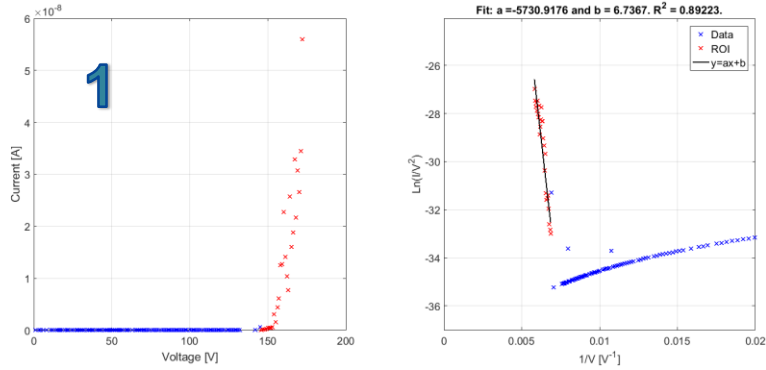


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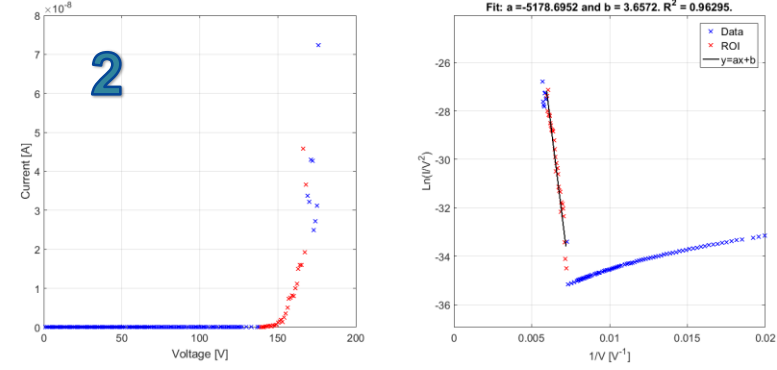




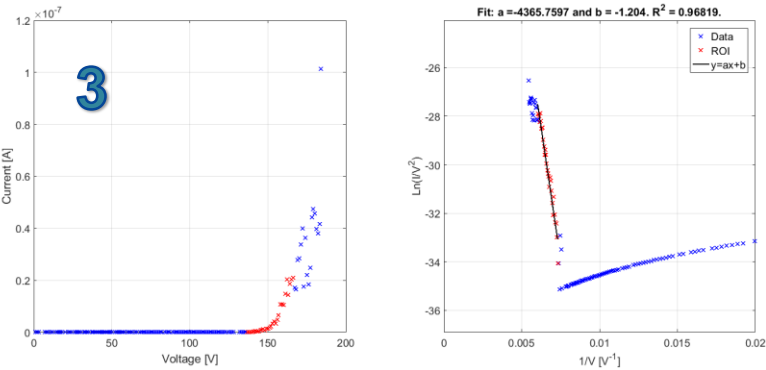
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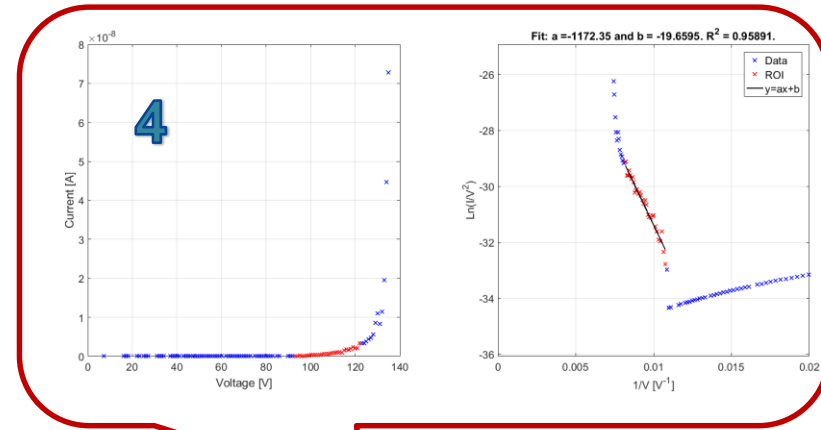
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$\beta = 17.6$

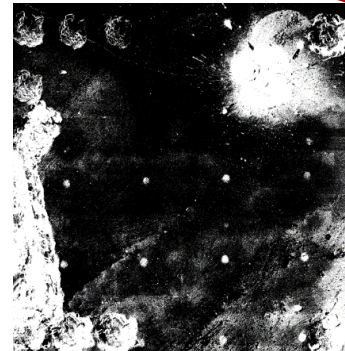


$\beta = 19.6$



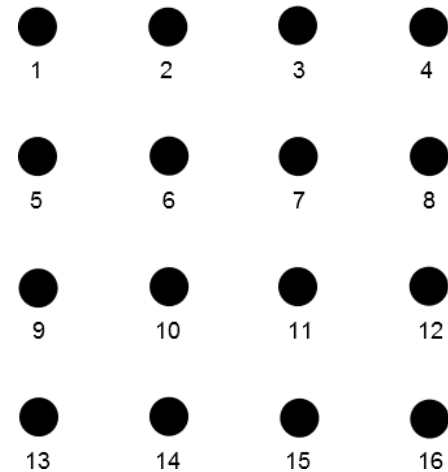
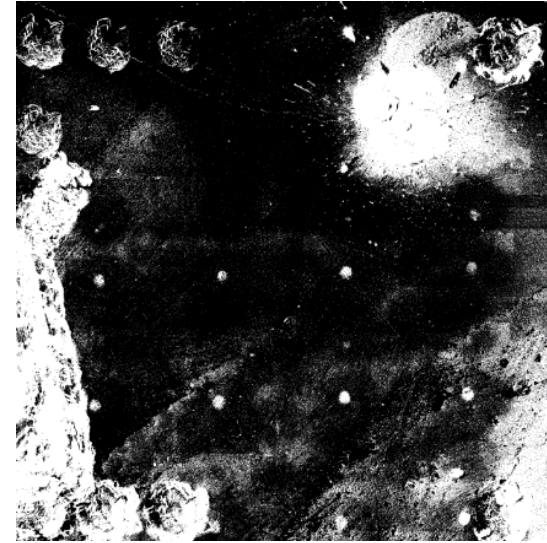
$\beta = 75.5$

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# Fitting of $\beta$ parameter Topology

15.5	17.6	19.6	<b>75.5</b>
30.2	38.0	38.8	37.5
21.3	29.6	27.2	33.2
20.9	13.9	21.1	22.9



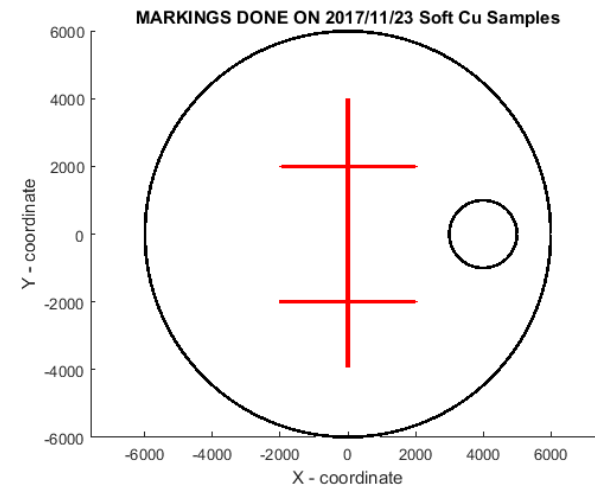
# Surface composition XPS analysis

We know that we affect the surface, but what happens?  
Adding X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy information

## Steps \*):

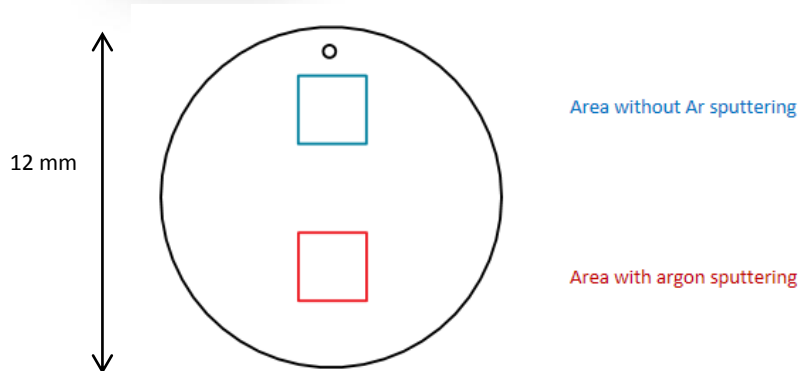
1. Markings
2. XPS analysis and Ar sputtering
3. HR-SEM observation
4. FE experiments
5. Final HR-SEM observation
6. Final XPS analysis

\*) Between steps the sample is placed in a vacuum desiccator



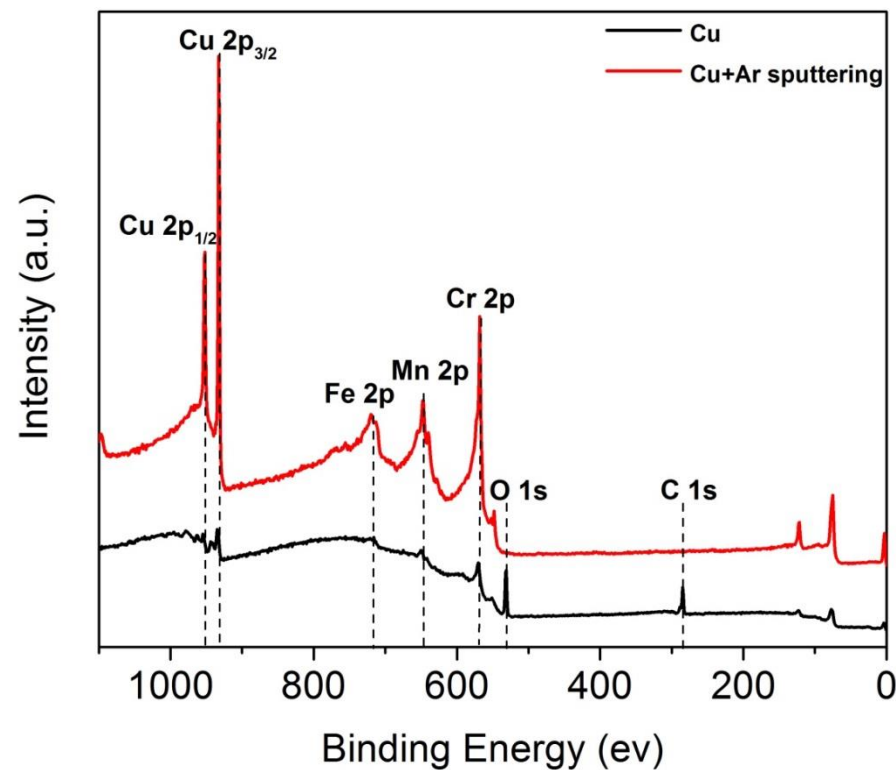
# Surface composition

## Effect of argon sputtering



- After Ar sputtering O and C peaks disappear.
- C contamination on surface equals to a thickness of 3.6 nm on top of Cu (rough estimate)

Analysis can only work on larger areas > 50  $\mu\text{m}$

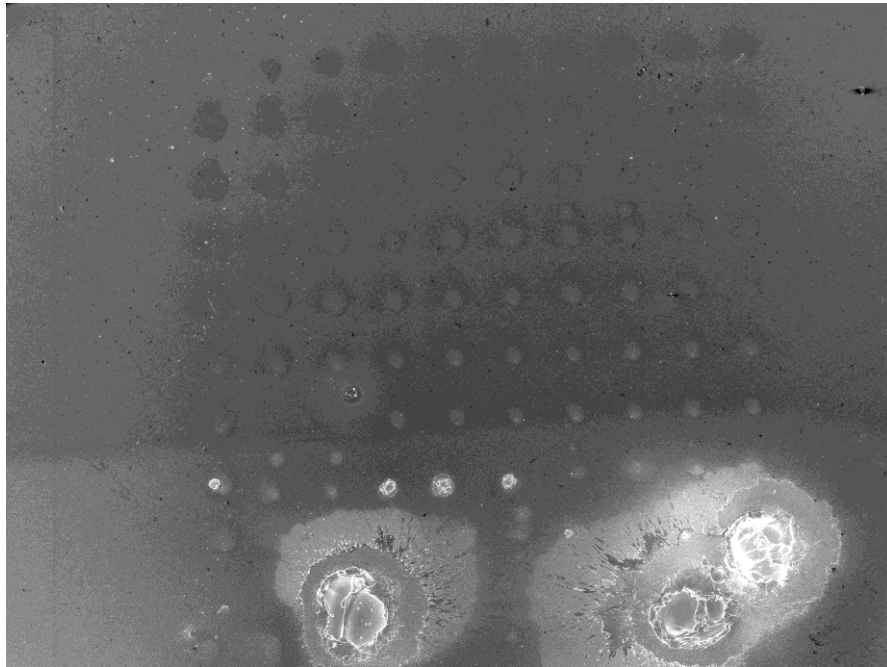




# *Surface composition HR-SEM images after FE experiments*

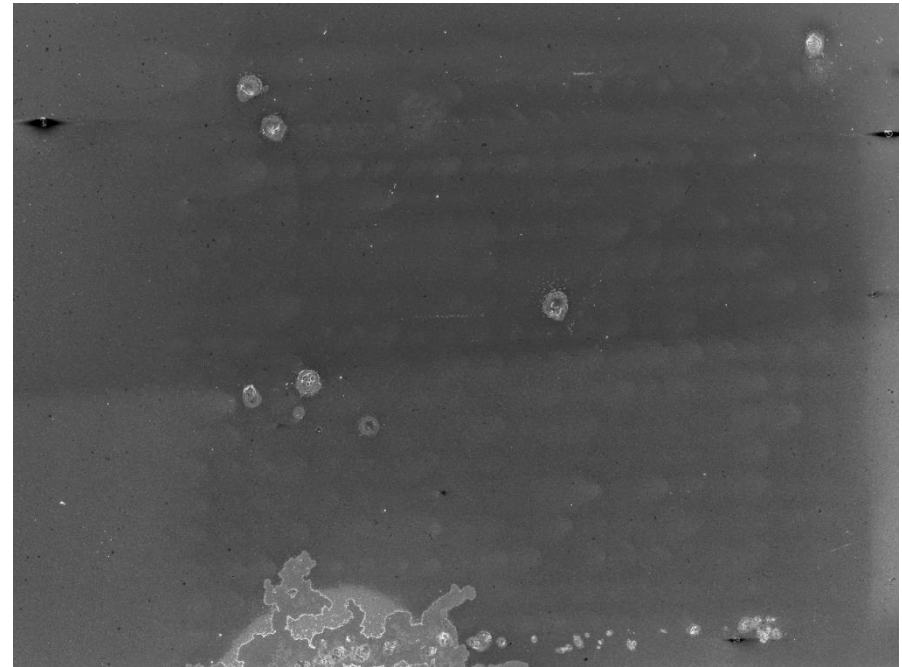
## **Area 1 after experiments**

**Pattern 10 x 10 FE points**



## **Area 2 after experiments**

**Pattern 20 x 20 FE points**



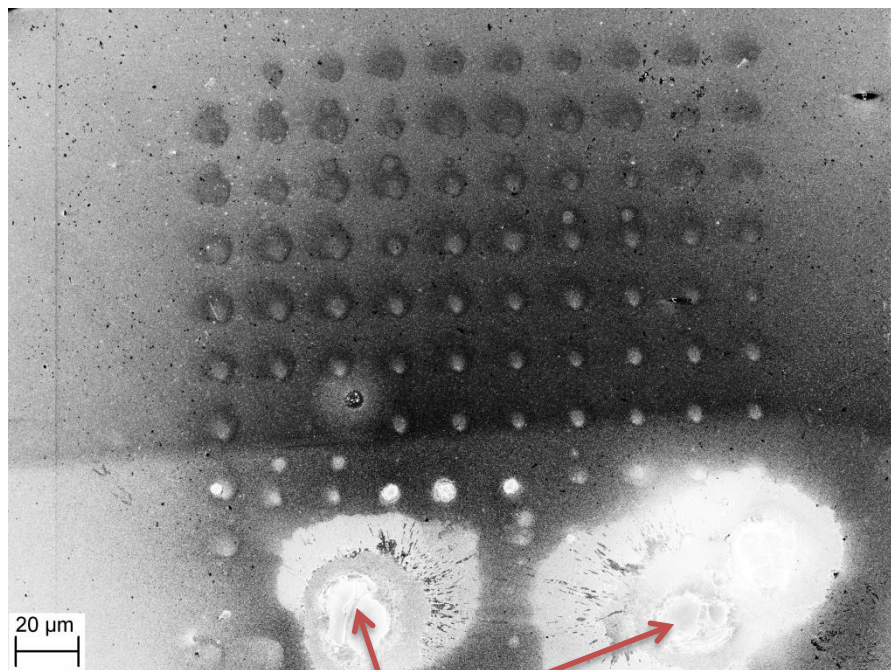
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Experimental area: 200  $\mu\text{m}$  x 200  $\mu\text{m}$  in both cases

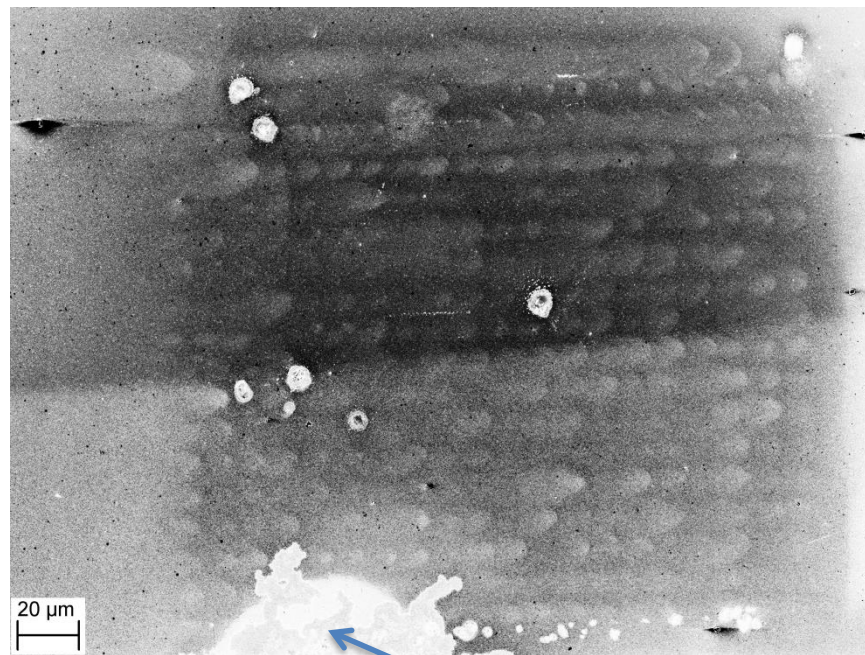
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14 Breakdowns at the end of scan

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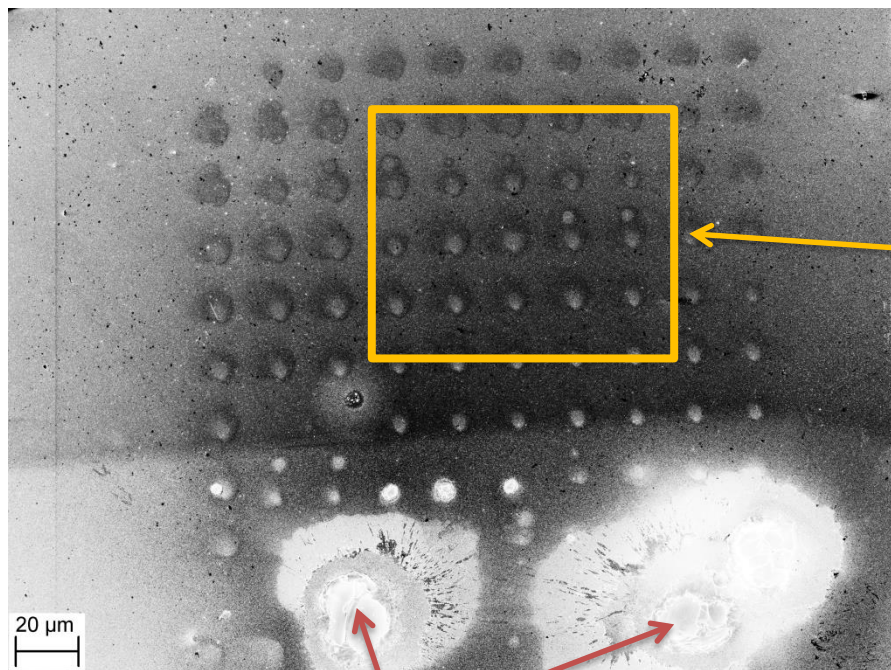
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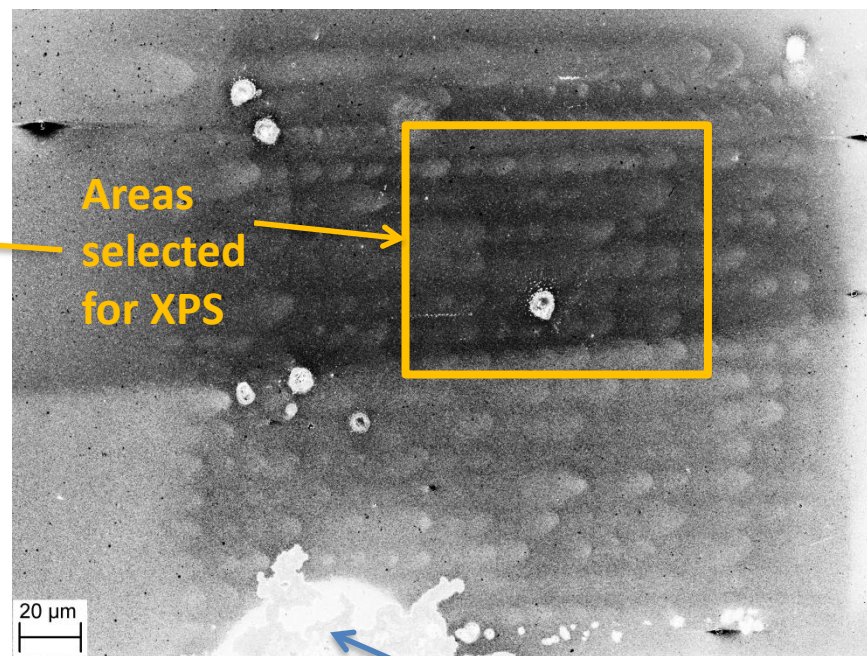
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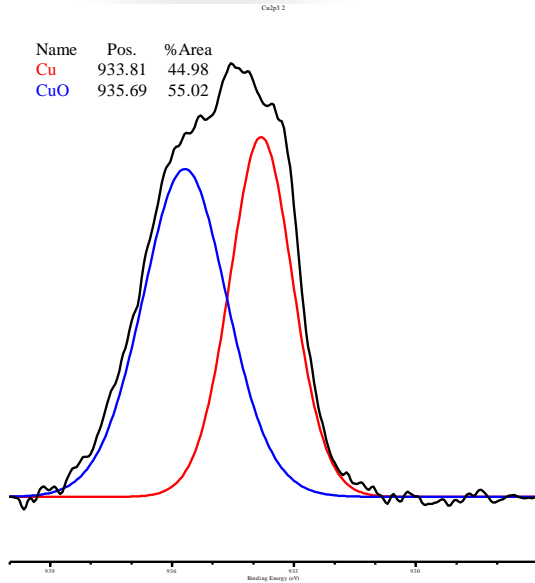


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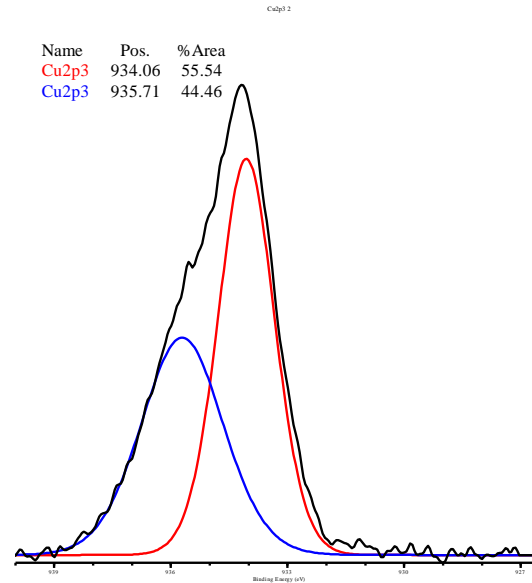
Breakdown at the end of scan

# Surface composition XPS results

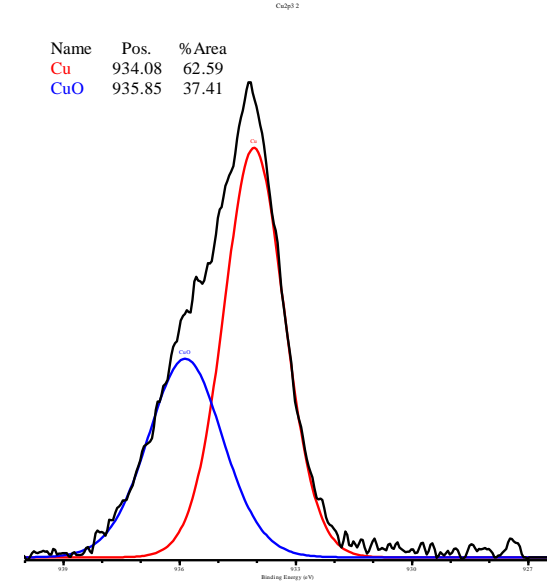
We see clear change in the Cu peak: significant drop in Cu-O peak after FE experiments



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Area 1

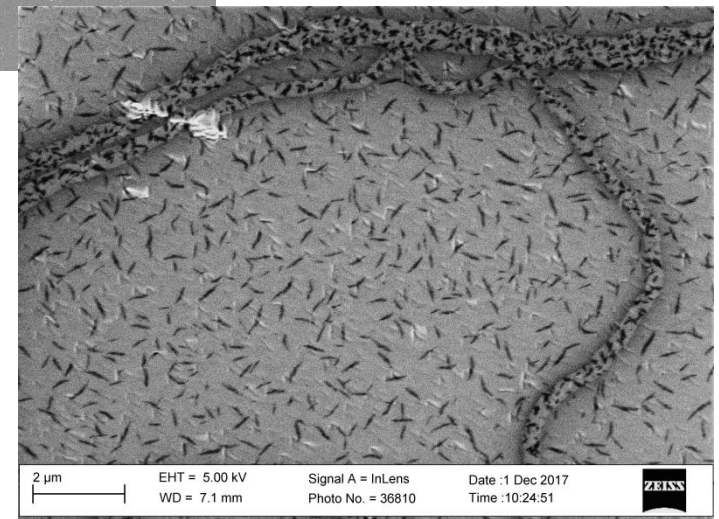
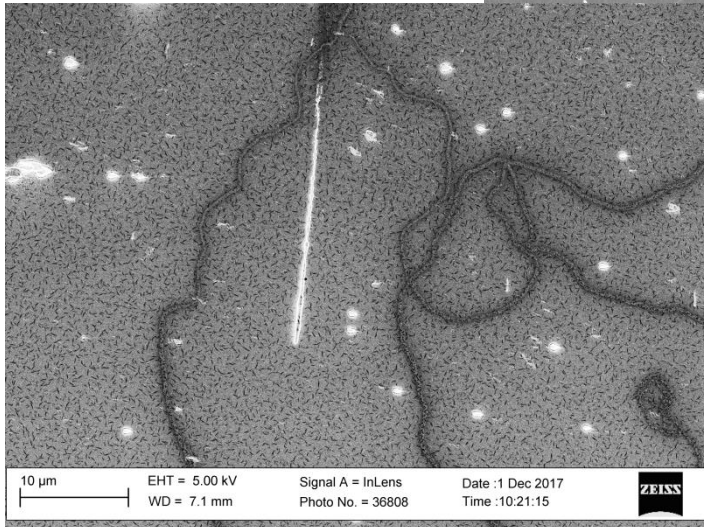
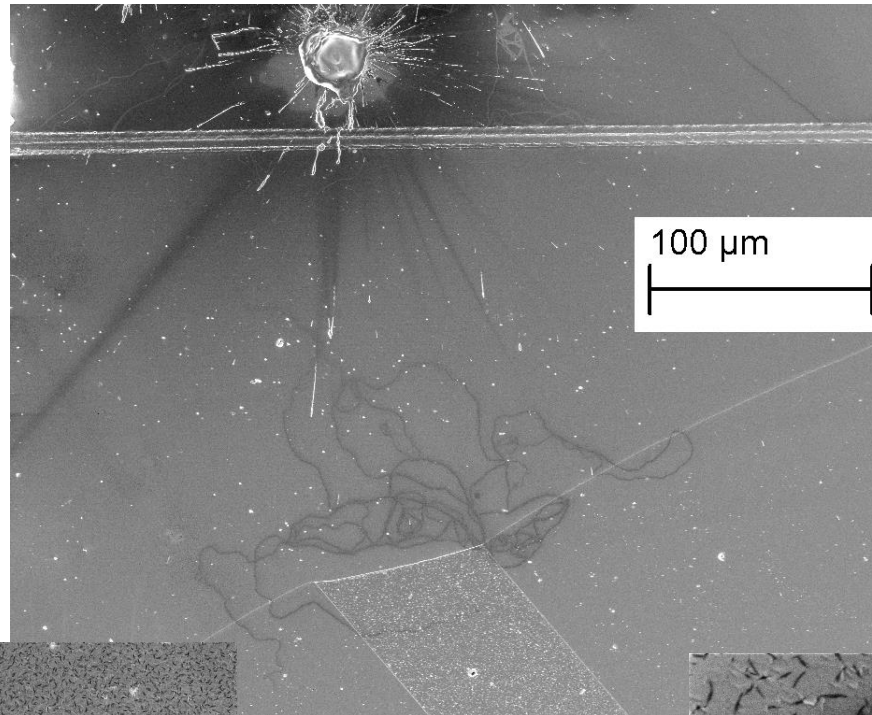


Area 2

Area	Pattern density	Cu [%]	CuO [%]	CuO thickness
Reference	0	44.98	55.01	1.13 nm
Area 1	10 x 10 FE points	55.54	44.46	0.82 nm
Area 2	20 x 20 FE points	62.59	37.41	0.65 nm



# Curiosa - surface changes after a discharge



# Cryo DC spark system

## Field emission and BDR as a function of temperature

K. Nordlund and F. Djurabekova, *Defect model for the dependence of breakdown rate on external electric fields*, [Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 15, 071002 \(2012\)](https://doi.org/10.1088/1741-4326/15/7/071002).

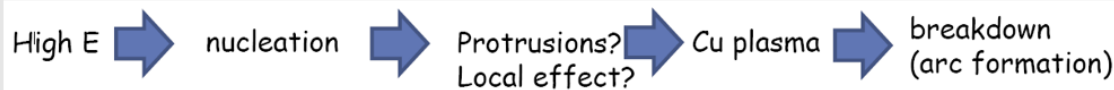
Model assumes that onset of electric breakdown can be associated with any kind of crystal defect

Breakdown rate is temperature dependent

$$R_{BD} = a e^{\varepsilon_0 (\eta E_{acc})^2 \Delta V / k_B T}$$

$\Delta V$  is the relaxation volume of the defect

Yinon Ashkenazy et al., *Stochastic Model of Breakdown Nucleation Under Intense Electric Fields*, **6th International Workshop on Mechanisms of Vacuum Arcs (MeVArc 2017)**  
[https://indico.cern.ch/event/521667/contributions/2409278/attachments/1433908/2203931/eli\\_mevarc.pdf](https://indico.cern.ch/event/521667/contributions/2409278/attachments/1433908/2203931/eli_mevarc.pdf)



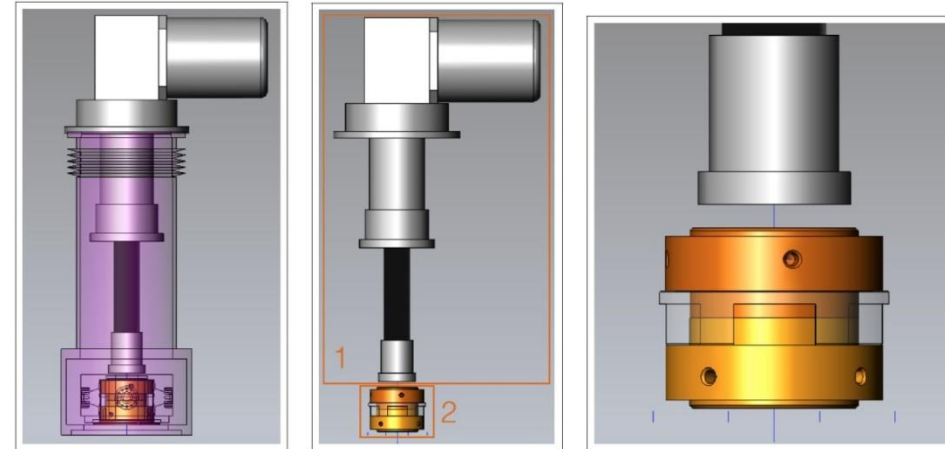
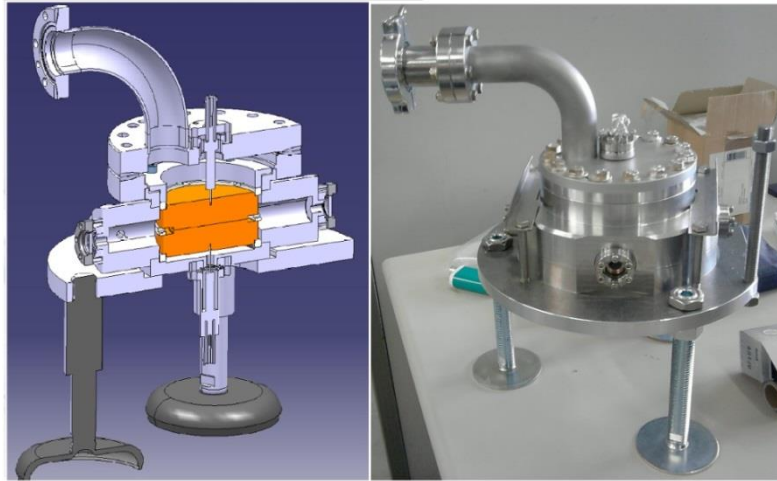
$$\dot{\rho}^+ = \frac{25\kappa C_t}{G^2 b} (\rho + c) \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{E_a - \Omega \sigma}{k_B T}} \quad \dot{\rho}^- = \frac{50\xi C_t}{G} \sigma \rho (c + \rho)$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2} B \varepsilon_0 (\beta + 3.5)^2 E^2 + Z G b \rho$$

Rates:  
 $\dot{\rho}^+$  rate of mobile dislocations multiplication  
 $\dot{\rho}^-$  rate of mobile dislocations depletion,  
 with competing mechanisms

Again strong dependance on temperature

# Cryo DC spark system



Mechanical drawings  
 Johan Eriksson

**Cryo-DC setup – using stand-alone cryocooler**

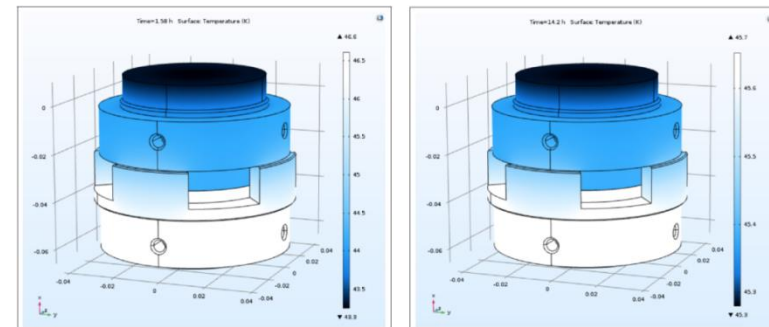
**Temperatures: down to 4 K**

**Geometry: CERN pulsed DC large area electrodes**

**K-contract of UU with CERN signed by both parties**

- Cryocooler order in progress
- Cryostat design started

Simulations in COMSOL  
 Sigrður Johannsdóttir



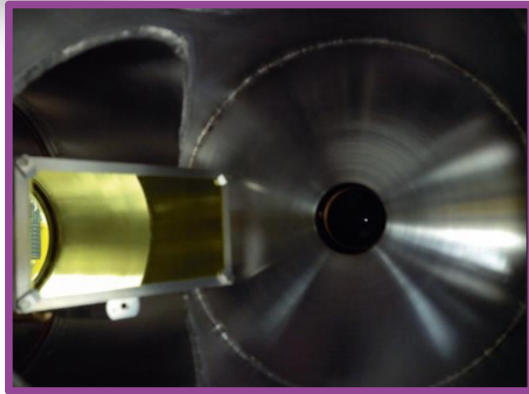
Comparison of calculations and simulations

Cooling down from 293 K to 45 K	1.58 h	RDK-415D (45 W)
	14.2 h	RDK-101J (5 W)
Cooling down from 45 K to 4 K	7.8 h	RDK-415D (1.5 W)
	58.5 h	RDK-101J (0.2 W)

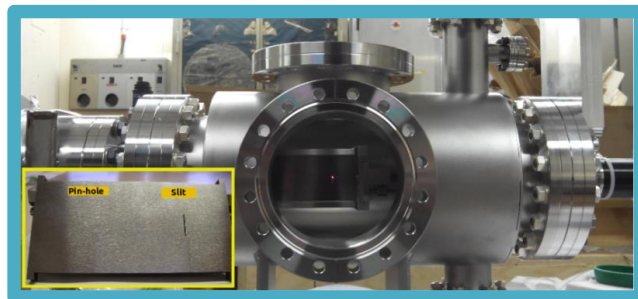
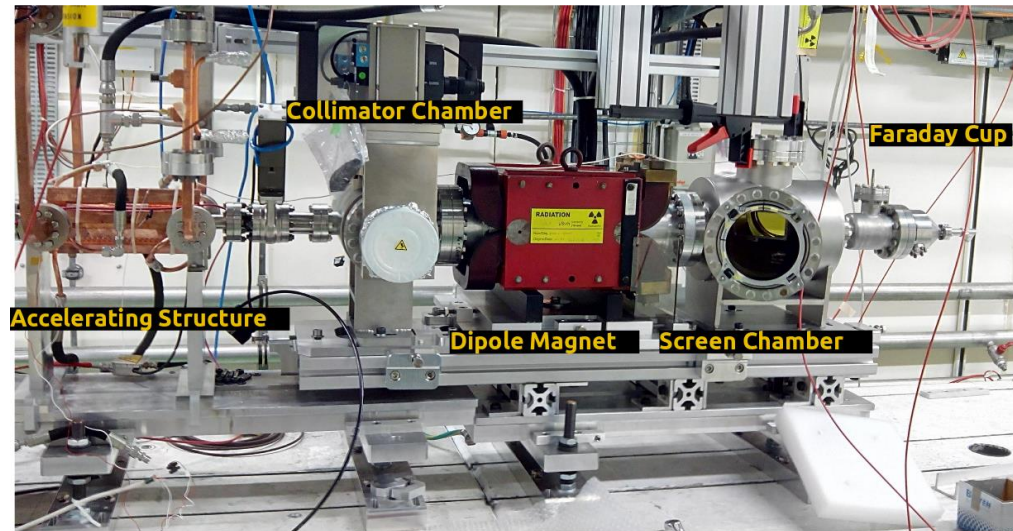
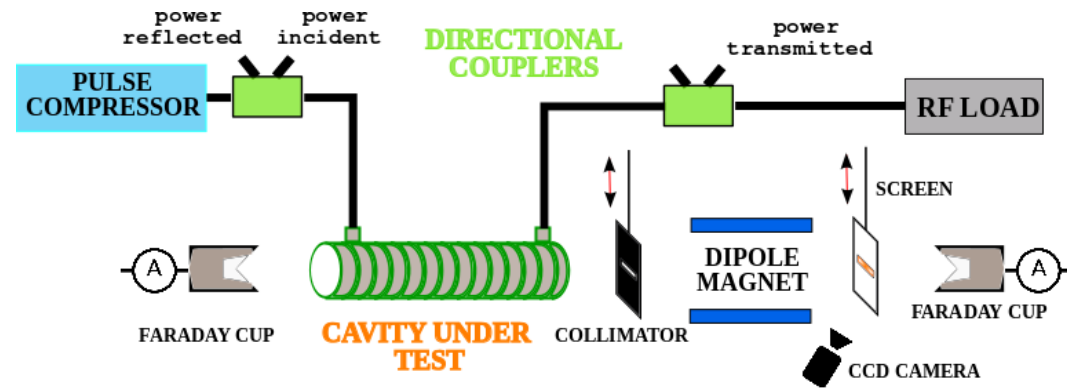


# Uppsala/CLIC X-band Spectrometer (UCXS)

*general-purpose system for detection and measurements of dark and breakdown currents during structure conditioning*



**Screen** (100x50x0.5 mm YAG:Ce)  
linear actuator (fully retractable)  
30 degrees angle w.r.t. the beam axis  
2M pixel, 50fps camera with focuser



**Collimator** (5 mm tungsten plate)  
linear actuator (retractable), place for two patterns,  
presently: **pin-hole** 0.5mm and **slit** 10x0.5mm

**Energy resolution with dipole magnet**  
Maximum expected electron energy ~20MeV  
Rel. energy spread (single slit) 10% - 25%  
Full energy coverage with magnetic field scan



# *BD transverse position*

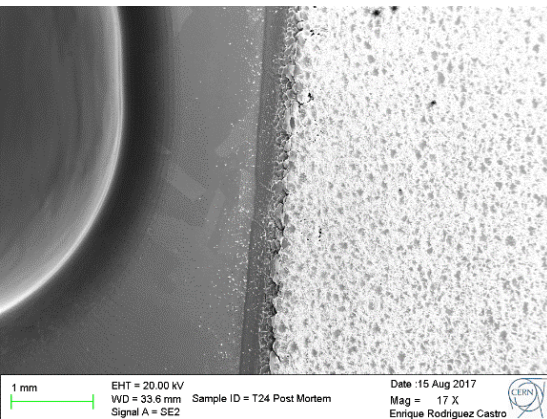
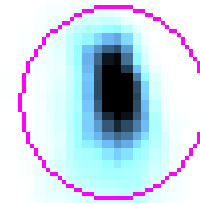
## *Magnet OFF*

- **Unique possibility to measure transverse BD position in parallel with longitudinal**
- **Works both for slit and pinhole collimator**



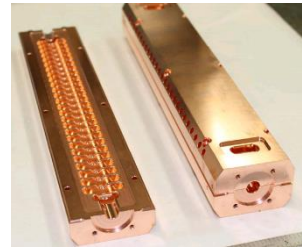
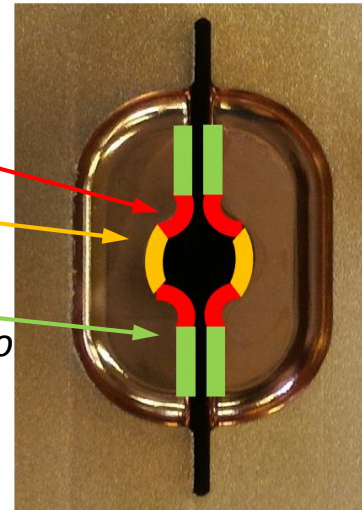
Example: Combined image from ~200 events  
We measured asymmetry and excess events  
in vertical direction for CLIC Open structure

Later confirmed by post-mortem analysis



“Biggest BD accumulation on **nose**  
than **centre** and  
**straight part** of the iris”

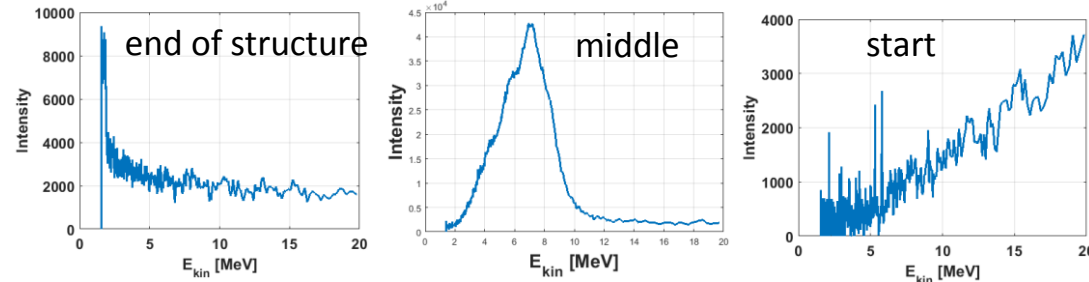
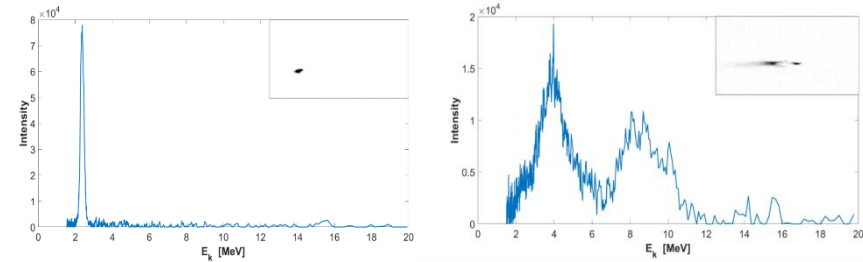
*Post-mortem analysis by Enrique Castro*



# Energy spectra from the spectrometer

## Energy spectra from BD events

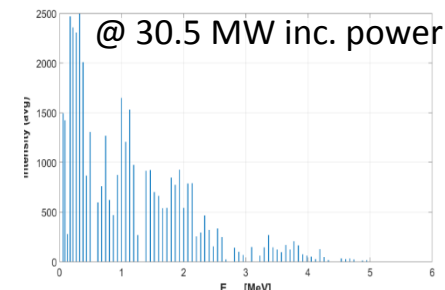
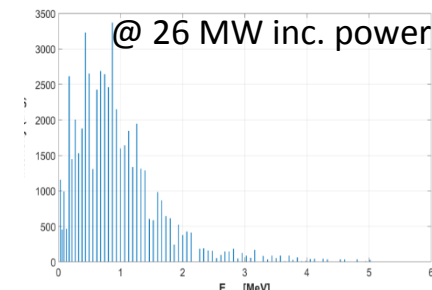
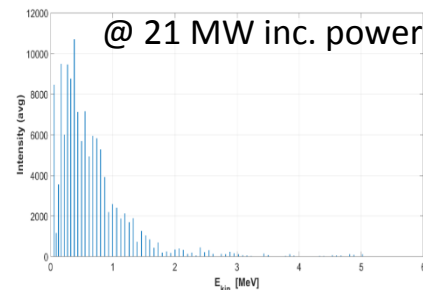
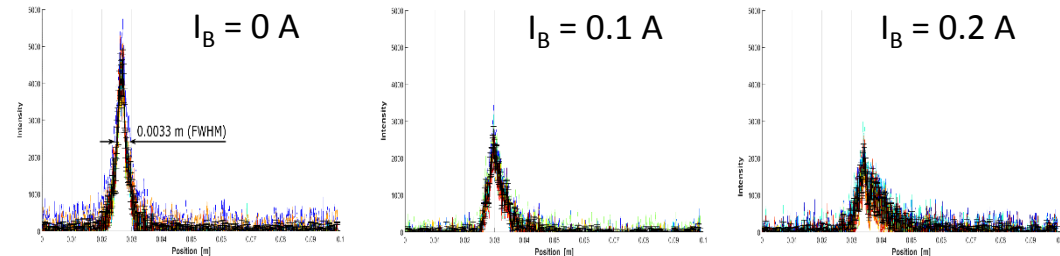
- Electrons with well defined energies
- Maximum in agreement with the given power/gradient in the structure
- Good correlation with BD position from RF signals



## Dark current

- Setup optimized for BD - weaker signals from dark current
- No indication of single emitting spot inside the cavity
- Isotropic transverse distribution
- Broad energy spectrum – continuum from electrons

20 pulses + average



# Summary and outlook

## In-SEM setup

- Correlate surface features to FE-scans
  - We see effect of the FE scans directly after, however spots disappear after days
  - No conclusive proof of other, long lasting, surface changes (like e.g. melting)
- Quantify surface changes with XPS
  - Requires large surface affected by our experiments
  - We see that relative concentration of CuO is decreasing
- **Conditioning in the field-emission regime (e.g. repeating scan in the same spot)**
- New samples from CERN:
  - A sample characterized with EBSD (crystal orientation)
  - Soft vs hard copper

## Xbox experiments status:

- Many BD and DC data from Xbox on disk - analysis in progress
  - Correlate BD RF signals with energy spectra
  - Study dark current behavior (trends and before/after breakdowns)
- Spectrometer removed from Xbox2 and placed @XBox1
  - Possibility for improvements of the setup with focus on dark current, e.g.:
    - Another camera (splitter mirror) dedicated to DC measurements
    - New collimator with different patterns
- Xbox setup simulations - Goal: combine spectrometer simulation with RF simulation of CLIC cavity
- **Many thanks to XBOX team for support !**



Thank you for attention



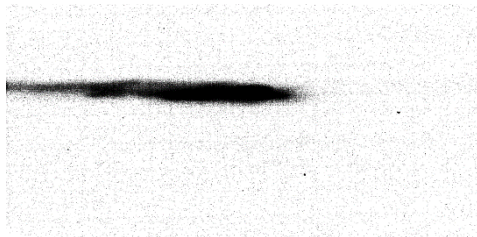
# Simulations status

## Simulations of the Electron Current Spectrometer Setup in Geant4

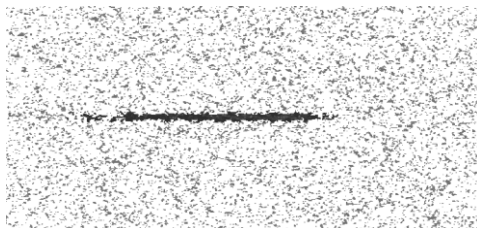
Exploring the Physics Limitations of Compact High Gradient Accelerating Structures

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Experiment



Simulation

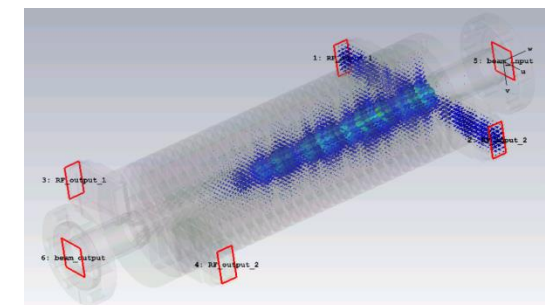
### We have:

- + Faithful model of the spectrometer setup
- + Simulations with varied start conditions

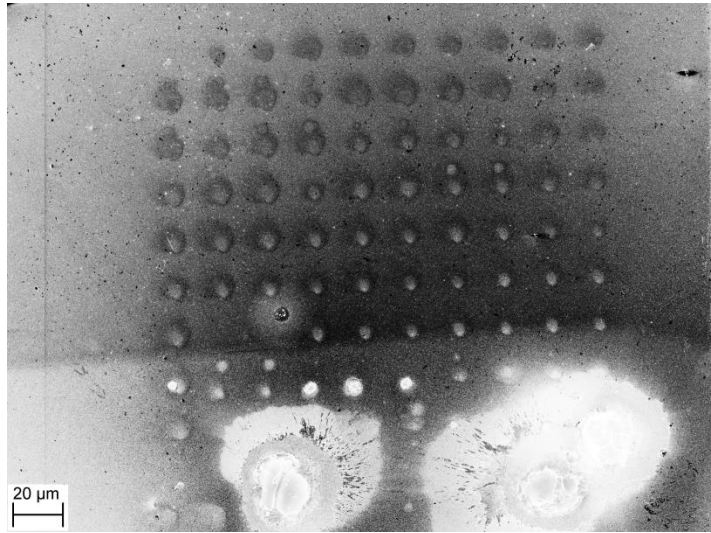
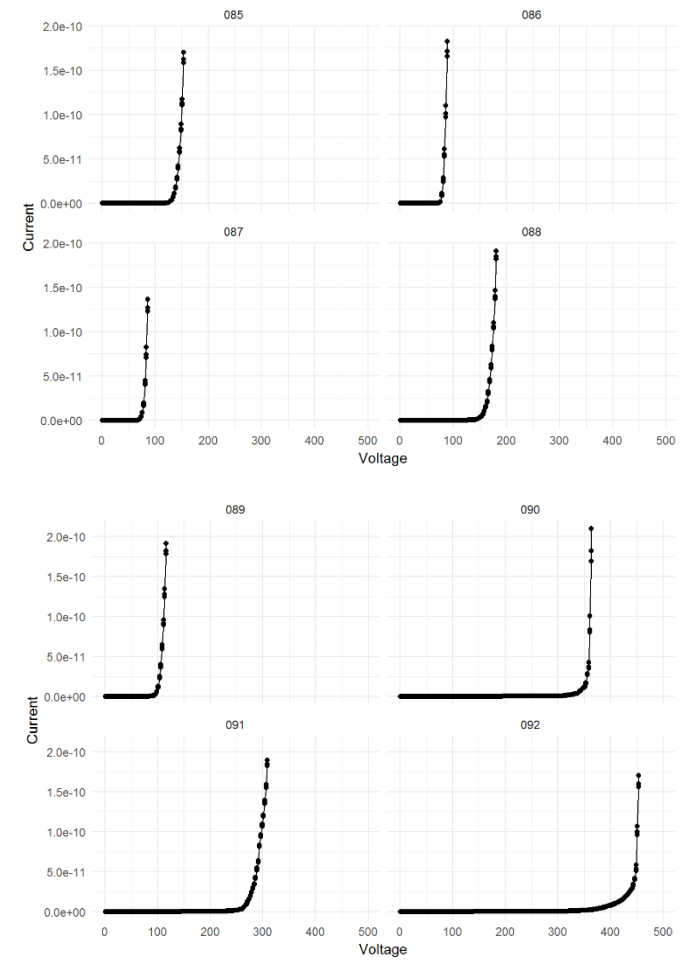
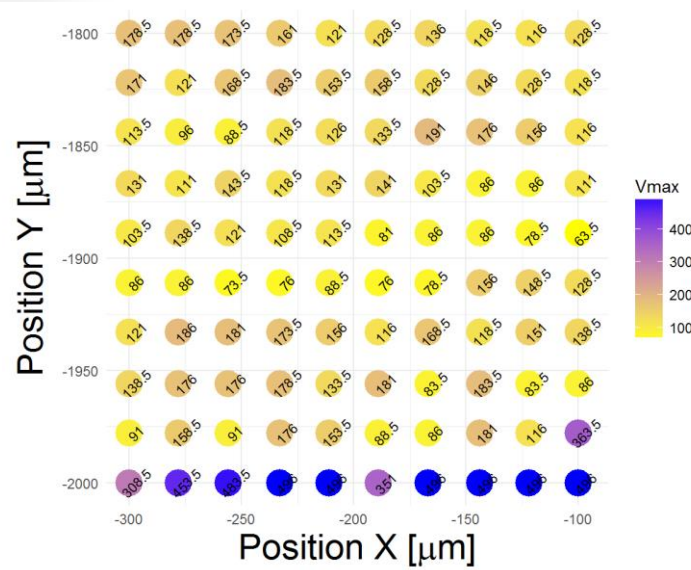
### Goals:

- better understanding of the experimental data
- reliable energy calibration
- energy resolution estimation
- effects of geometrical misalignment
- effects of non-uniform magnetic field

**Ultimate goal:**  
Combine spectrometer simulation with RF simulation of CLIC cavity



CLIC RF Structure Development Meeting  
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# Plans

## Conditioning in the field-emission regime: Hard vs soft copper

New samples from CERN:

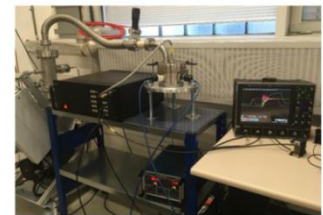
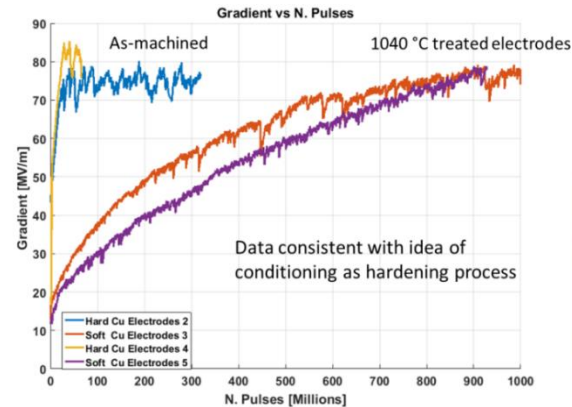
- Soft Cu
- Hard Cu
- Copper with implanted Fe ions



Hard vs. soft copper in pulsed dc system



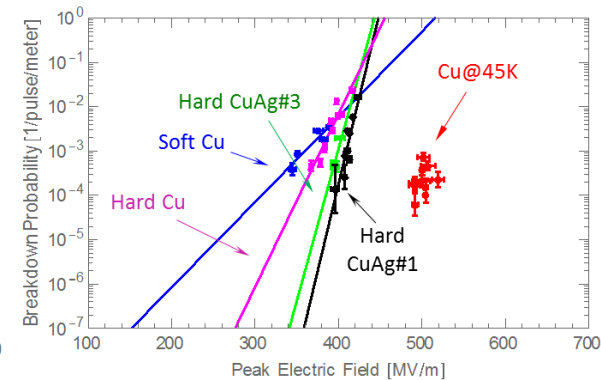
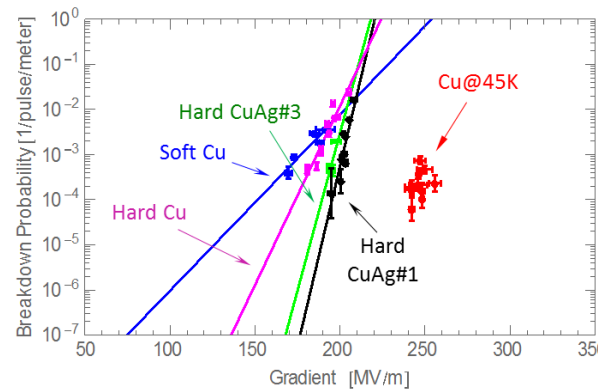
CERN  
Large electrode system  
W. Wuensch



HG2017, Valencia, 14 June 2017

Walter Wuensch, CERN

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Accelerating Cavity  
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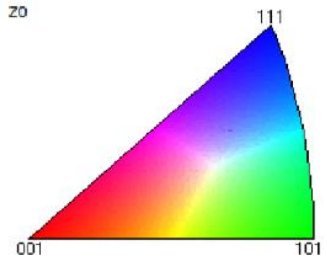
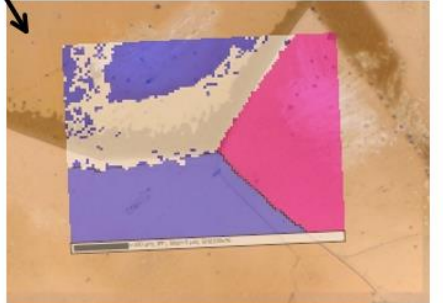
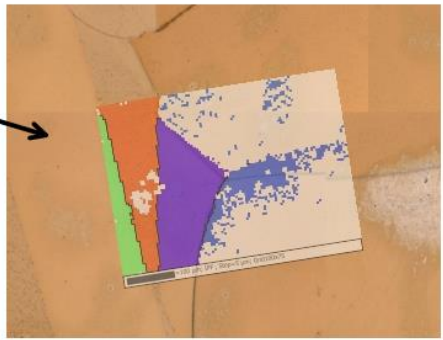
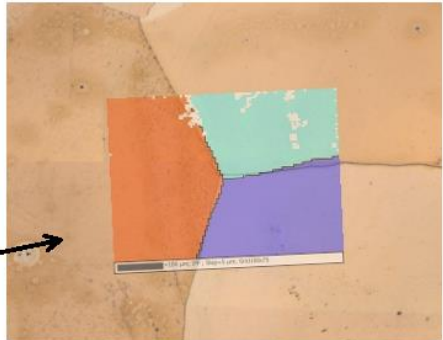
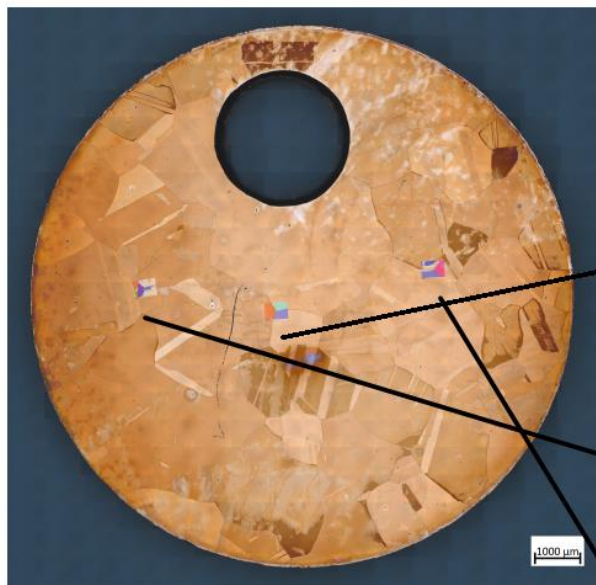
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## Conditioning in the field-emission regime: crystal orientation

Soft Cu sample characterized at CERN with EBSD to find grain orientations in 3 separate areas (about 500x400 um each)

We would like to test:

- correlation between orientations and FE scans
- conditioning effect (e.g. repeating scan in the same spot) on the grains



*Courtesy of Enrique R. Castro*