



## 8<sup>th</sup> HL-LHC Collaboration Meeting

# Characterization of graphitic materials for HL-LHC collimators: status and planning

C. Accettura (CERN and Politecnico di Milano)

A. Bertarelli, A. Lechner, F. Carra, E. Skordis (CERN), M. Beghi (Politecnico di Milano)

M. Tomut (GSI)

***With input from WP5***

CERN, October 16, 2018

# Outline

- Introduction
  - Collimator material requirements
- Irradiation test for graphitic materials
  - Facilities overview
  - Design and planning of ion irradiation at GSI
- Pristine materials characterization
- Conclusions

# Outline

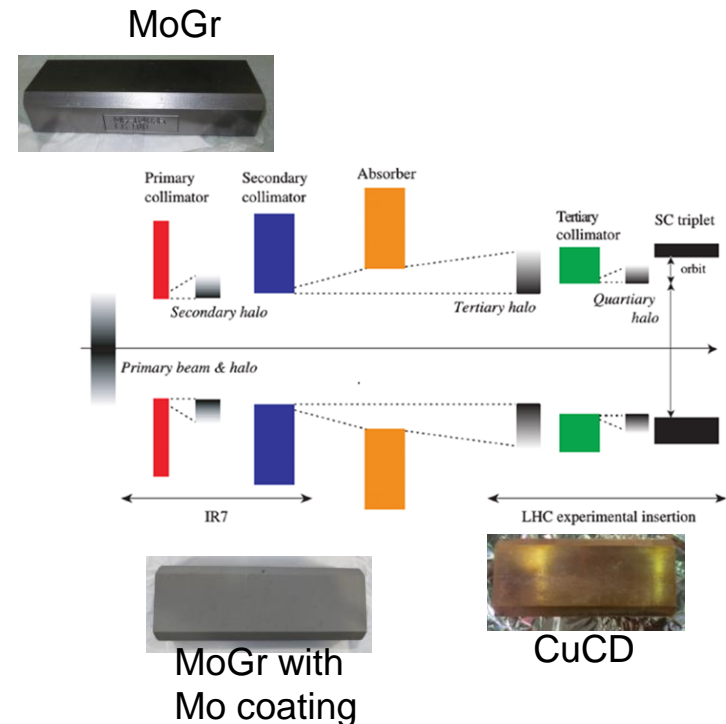
- Introduction
  - Collimator material requirements
- Irradiation test for graphitic materials
  - Facilities overview
  - Design and planning of ion irradiation at GSI
- Pristine materials characterization
- Conclusions

# Collimator material requirements

- Material for collimators (and BIDs) need to meet different requirements
  - High electrical conductivity
  - Excellent thermo-mechanical properties
  - UHV compliance
  - Radiation resistance

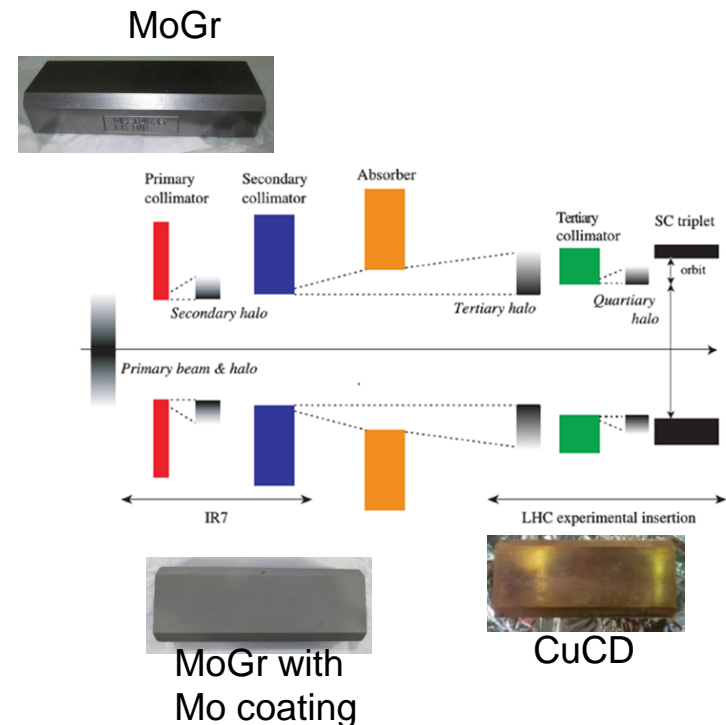
# Collimator material requirements

- Material for collimators (and BIDs) need to meet different requirements
  - High electrical conductivity
  - Excellent thermo-mechanical properties
  - UHV compliance
  - Radiation resistance
- With the HL-LHC these requirements becomes even more stringent → new foreseen materials and thin-films



# Collimator material requirements

- Material for collimators (and BIDs) need to meet different requirements
  - High electrical conductivity
  - Excellent thermo-mechanical properties
  - UHV compliance
  - Radiation resistance
- With the HL-LHC these requirements becomes even more stringent → new foreseen materials and thin-films
- Increased losses in the collimator system
- Important to assess the degradation of thermo-mechanical and electrical properties induced by radiation



# Outline

- Introduction
  - Collimator material requirements
- Irradiation test for graphitic materials
  - Facilities overview
  - Design and planning of ion irradiation at GSI
- Pristine materials characterization
- Conclusions

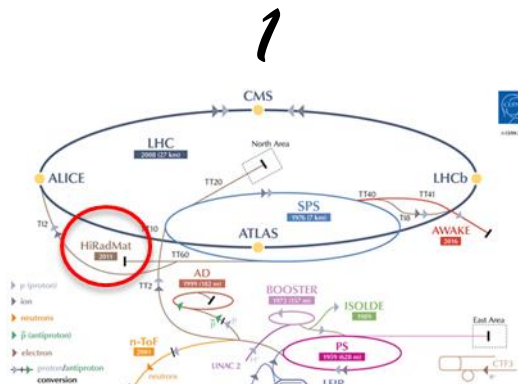
# Irradiation test for HL-LHC collimators materials: facilities overview

- For beam-intercepting device, it is important to consider two phenomena:



# Irradiation test for HL-LHC collimators materials: facilities overview

- For beam-intercepting device, it is important to consider two phenomena:
  - 1 ■ High energy density fast interaction → dynamic thermo-mechanical response → **influenced by material properties** → **radiation damage**

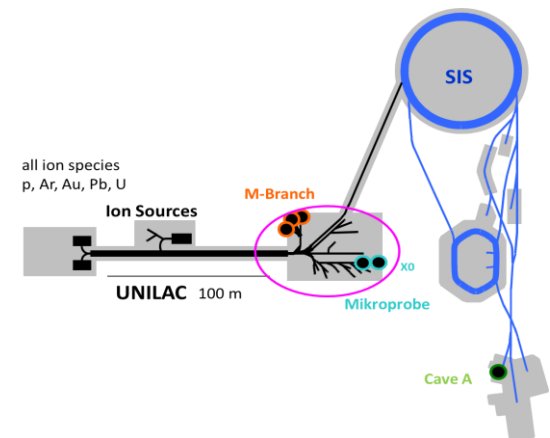
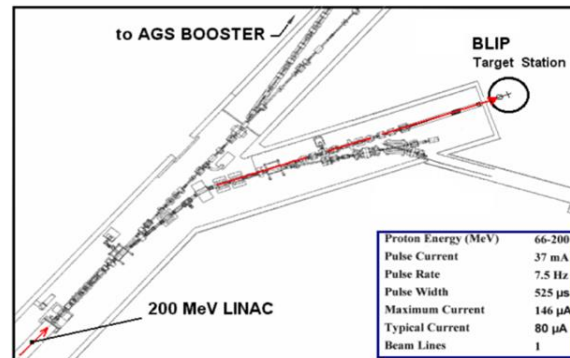
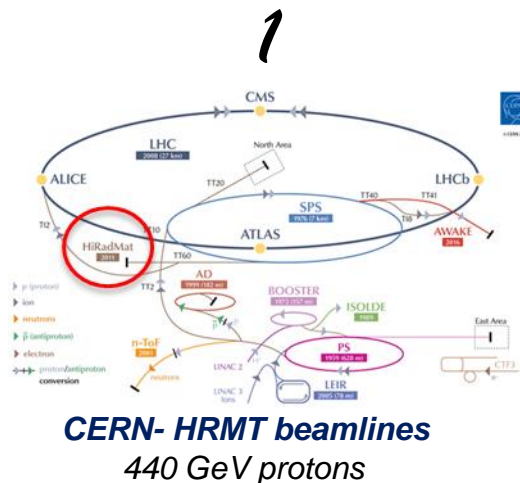


**CERN- HRMT beamlines**  
440 GeV protons

# Irradiation test for HL-LHC collimators materials: facilities overview

- For beam-intercepting device, it is important to consider two phenomena:

- 1
  - High energy density fast interaction → dynamic thermo-mechanical response → **influenced by material properties** → **radiation damage**
- 2-3
  - Long-term irradiation → radiation damage and degradation of properties



See M. Calviani  
talk

# Irradiation test for HL-LHC collimators materials: facilities overview

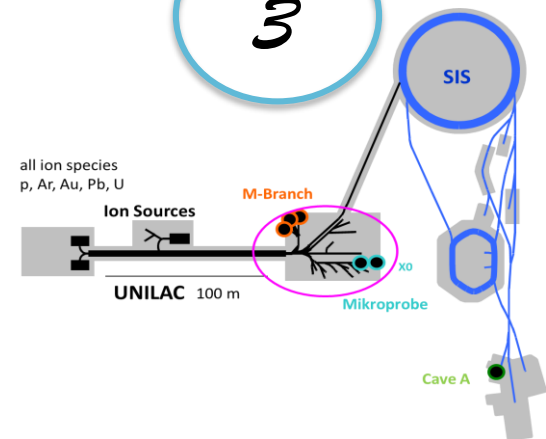
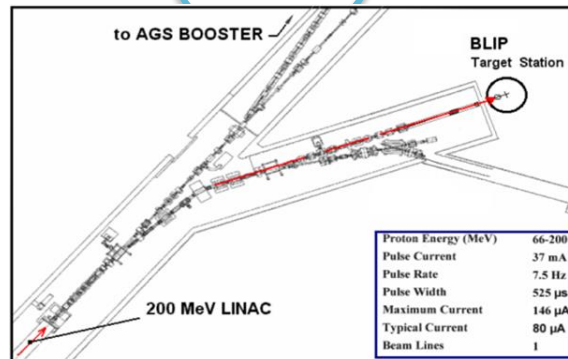
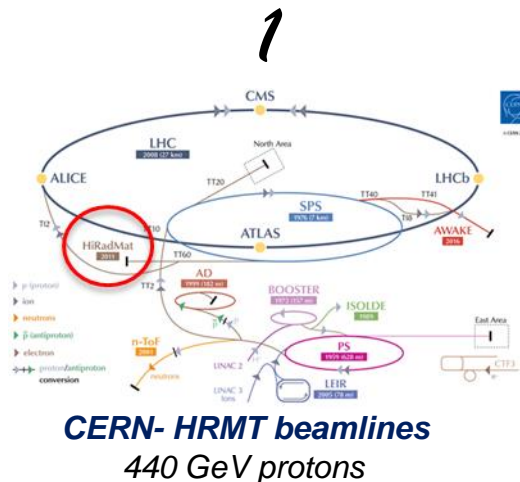
- For beam-intercepting components, two phenomena:

- 1 High energy density fast response → influence
- 2-3 Long-term irradiation → properties

Penetration	Deep	Superficial
Gas production	Yes	No
Activation	High	Zero-low
DPA rate	Medium	High

2

3



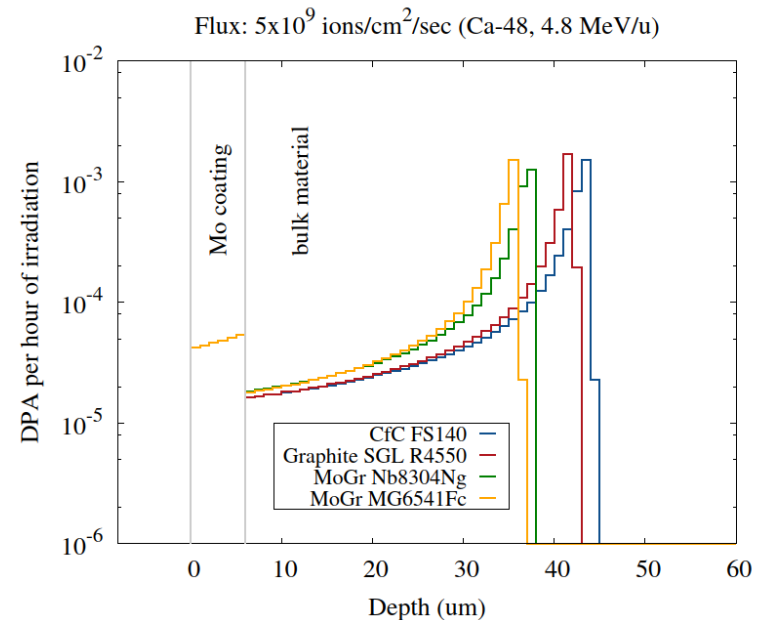
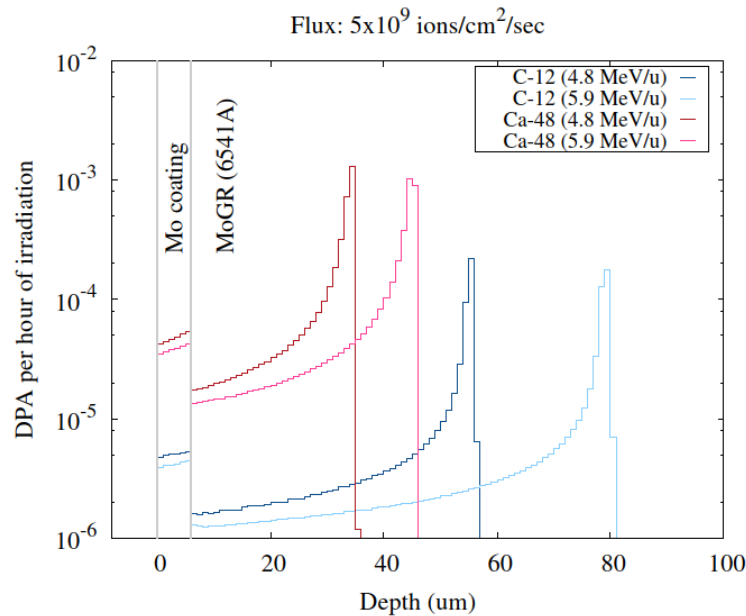
See M. Calviani  
talk

# Outline

- Introduction
  - Collimator material requirements
- Irradiation test for graphitic materials
  - Facilities overview
  - Design and planning of ion irradiation at GSI
- Pristine materials characterization
- Conclusions

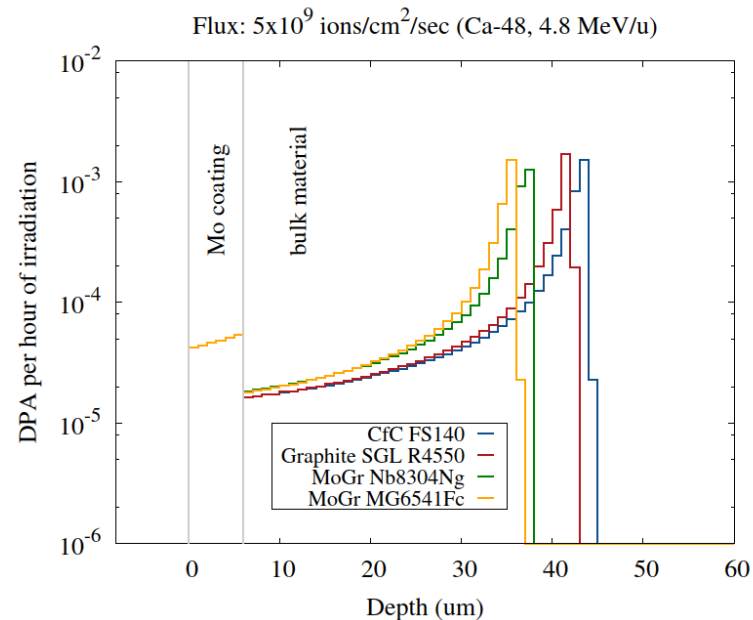
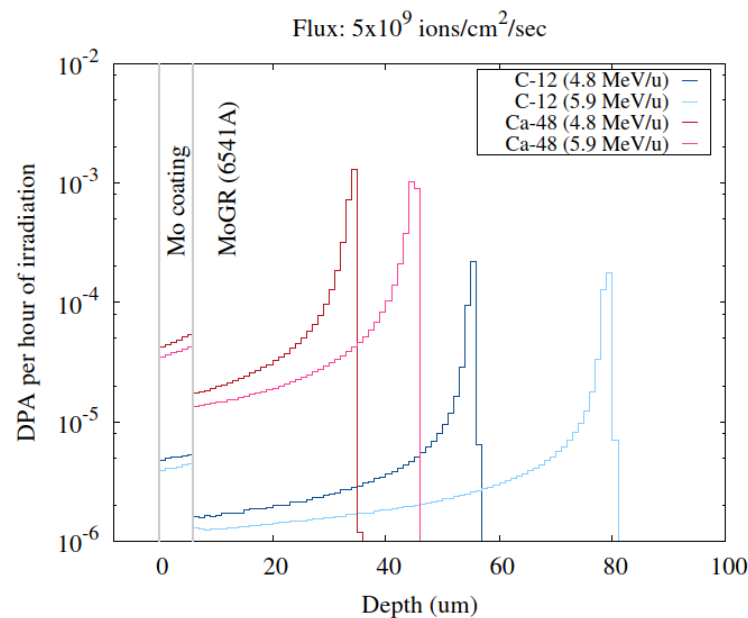
# Ion irradiation at GSI: DPA simulation

- Light ions to minimize electronic stopping power
- Lower energy to minimize activation



# Ion irradiation at GSI: DPA simulation

- Light ions to minimize electronic stopping power
- Lower energy to minimize activation

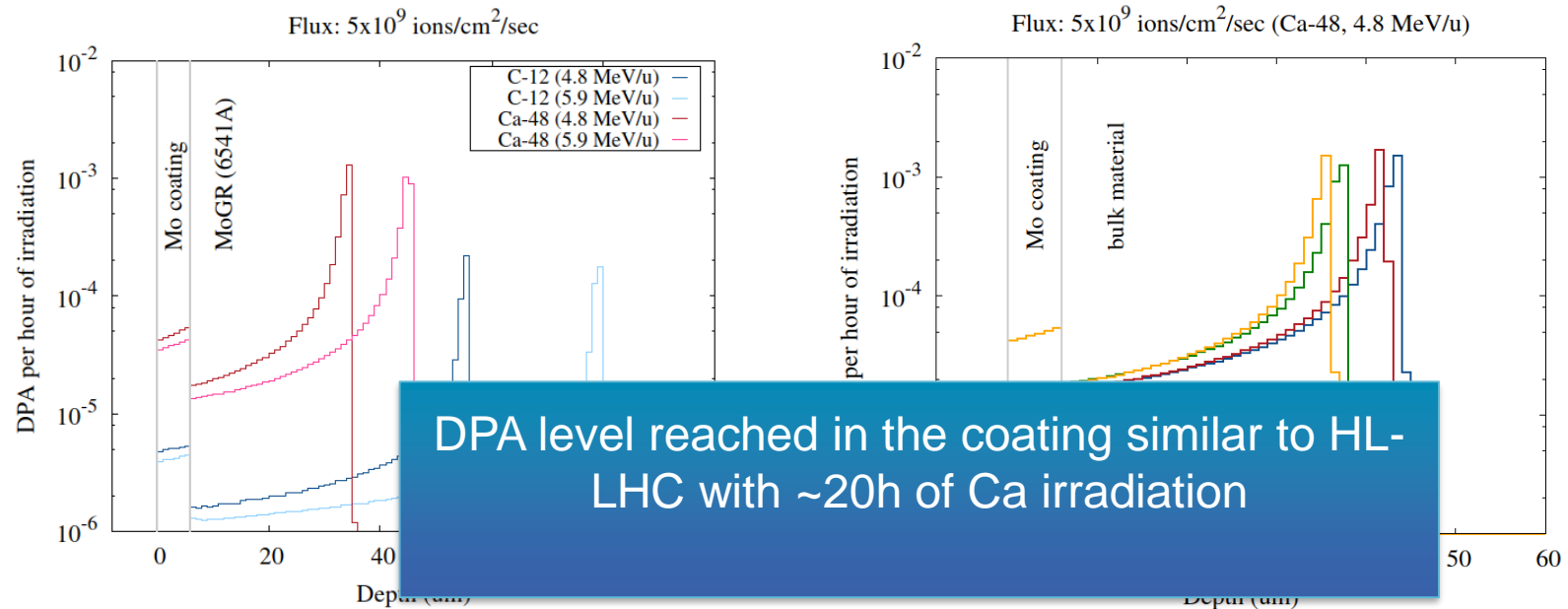


	DPA collimator HL-LHC life
Mo coating	$1 \div 3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
MoGr secondary	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$
MoGr primary	0.3

	DPA/hour at GSI
Mo coating	$\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
MoGr	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$

# Ion irradiation at GSI: DPA simulation

- Light ions to minimize electronic stopping power
- Lower energy to minimize activation

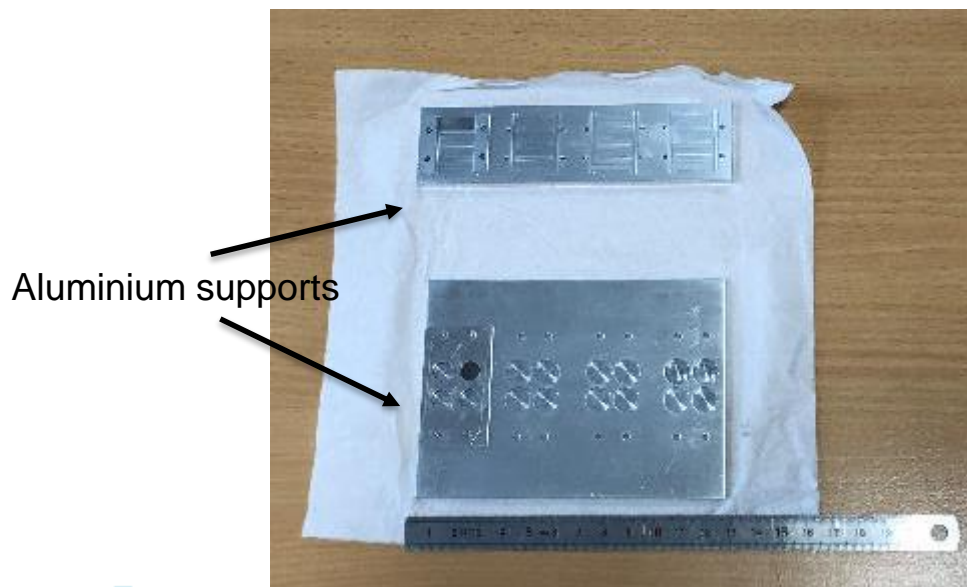


	DPA collimator HL-LHC life
Mo coating	$1 \div 3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
MoGr secondary	$4 \cdot 10^{-4}$
MoGr primary	0.3

	DPA/hour at GSI
Mo coating	$\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
MoGr	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$

# Ion irradiation at GSI: samples and holder

- With the available beam time, we can irradiate 4 holders
- 32 samples irradiated
- 4 materials: MoGr, MoGr (with C fibers), CFC, Graphite
- Each material will be irradiated bare and with a Molybdenum coating of 6  $\mu\text{m}$  (done at CERN-TE/VSC)



- 2 holders for rectangular samples 20x5x0.150mm
- 2 holders for round samples D10x1mm



# Ion irradiation at GSI: samples and holder

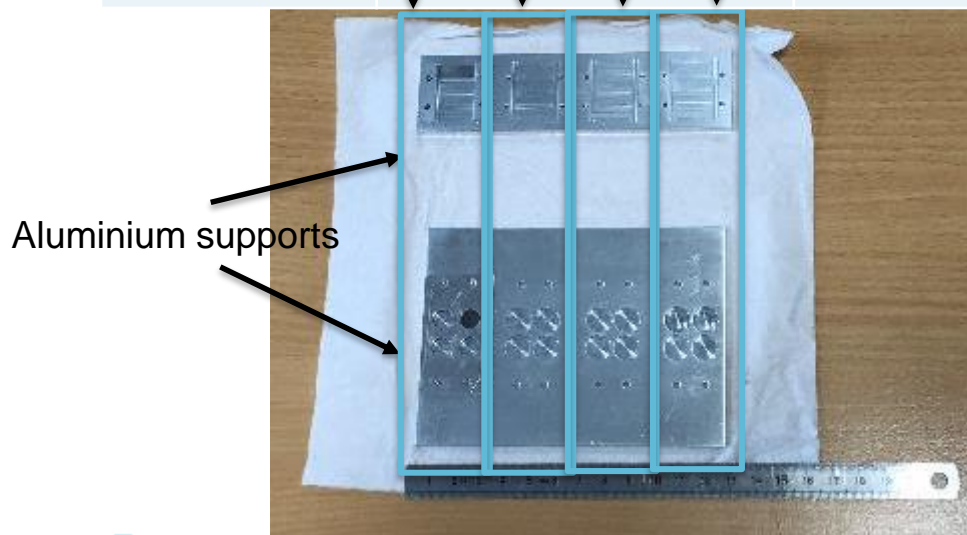
- With the available beam time, we can irradiate 4 holders
- 32 samples irradiated

- 4 materials: MoCr, MoCr (with C fibers), CFC, Graphite

- Aluminium supports

Irradiation time [hours]	Fluences [ions/cm <sup>2</sup> ]	DPA coating	DPA bulk
0.1	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{12}$	$\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.0001
0.6	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{13}$	$\sim 7.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.0006
4	$\sim 7 \cdot 10^{13}$	$\sim 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.004
20	$\sim 3 \cdot 10^{14}$	$\sim 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.02

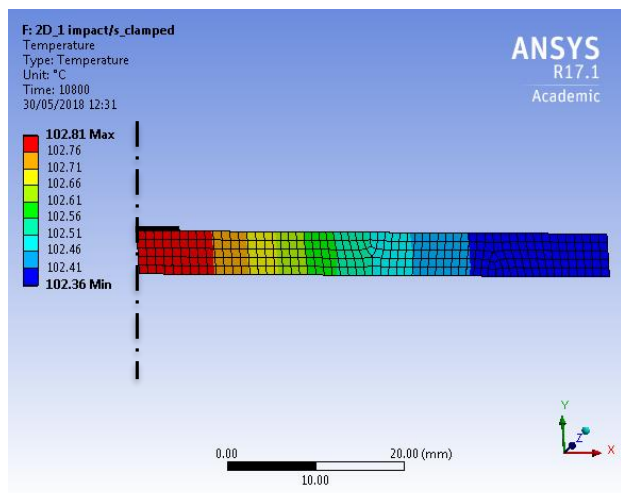
Aluminium supports



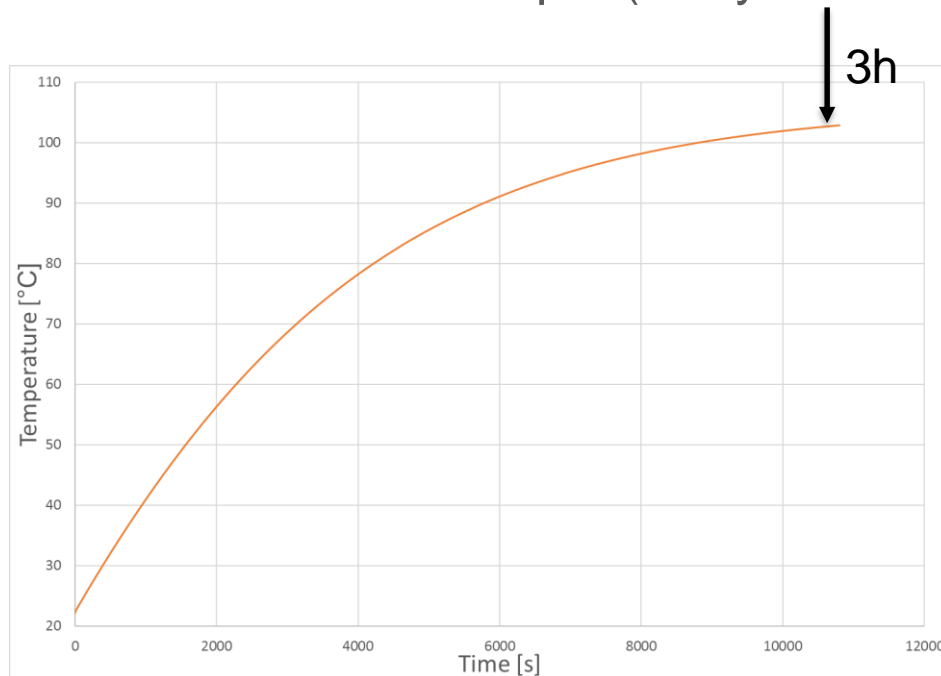
- 2 holders for rectangular samples 20x5x0.150mm
- 2 holders for round samples D10x1mm

# Ion irradiation at GSI: thermo-mechanical simulation

- Thermomechanical simulation of 1mm thick sample (axisymmetric)

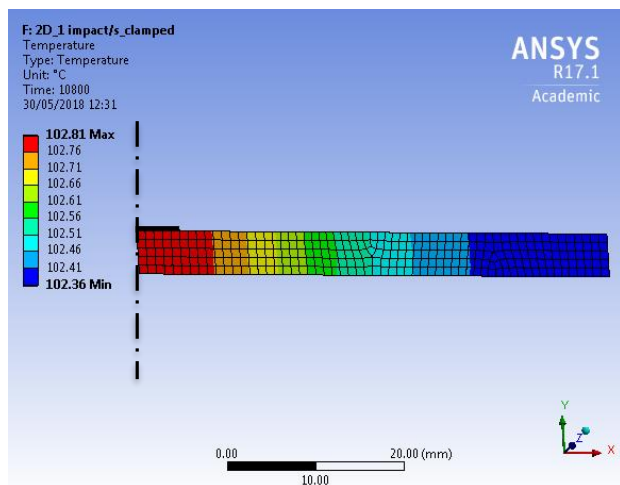


*Transient thermal analysis*

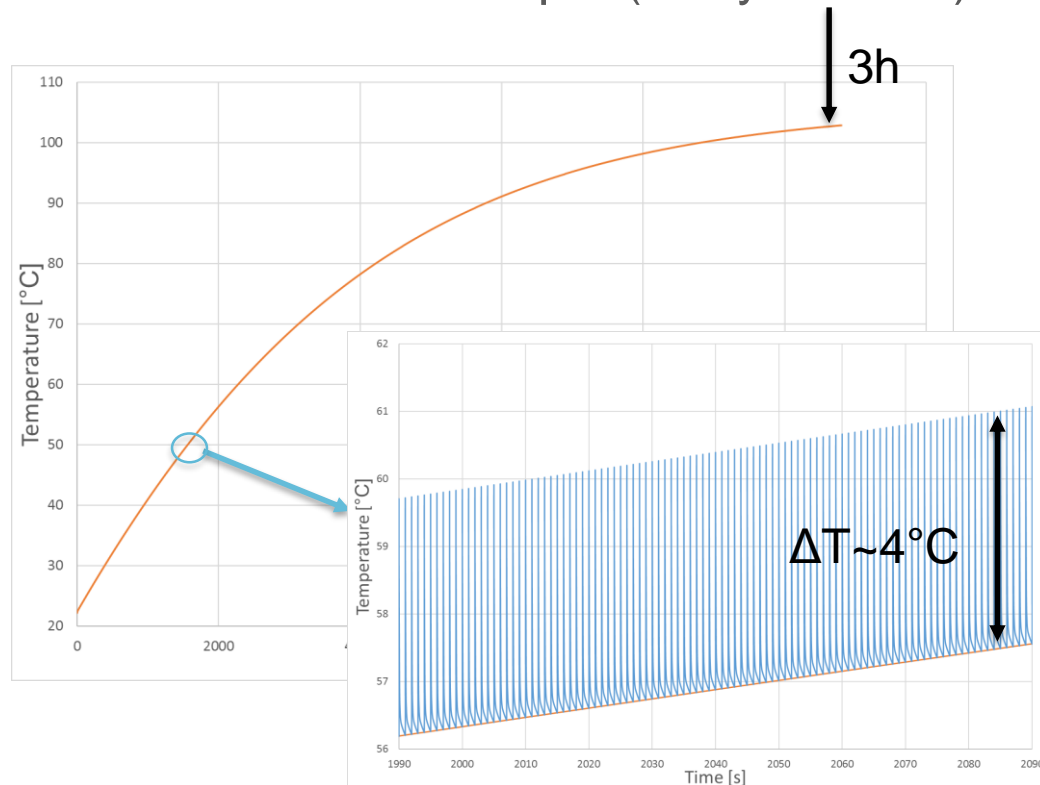


# Ion irradiation at GSI: thermo-mechanical simulation

- Thermomechanical simulation of 1mm thick sample (axisymmetric)

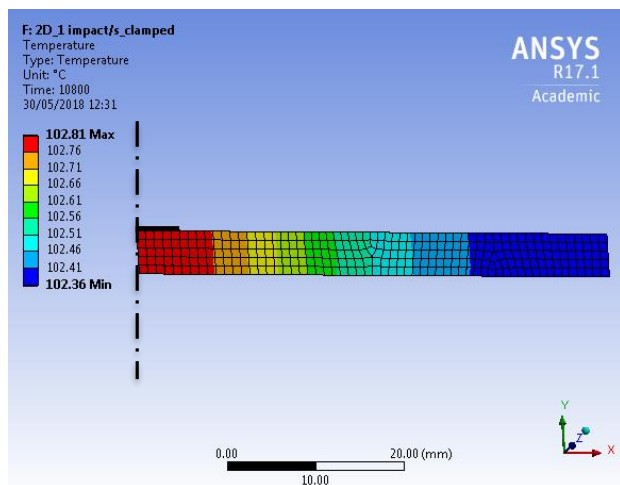


*Transient thermal analysis*

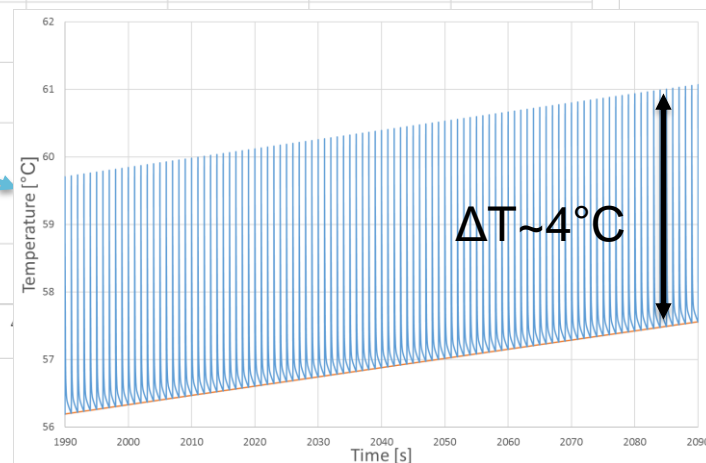
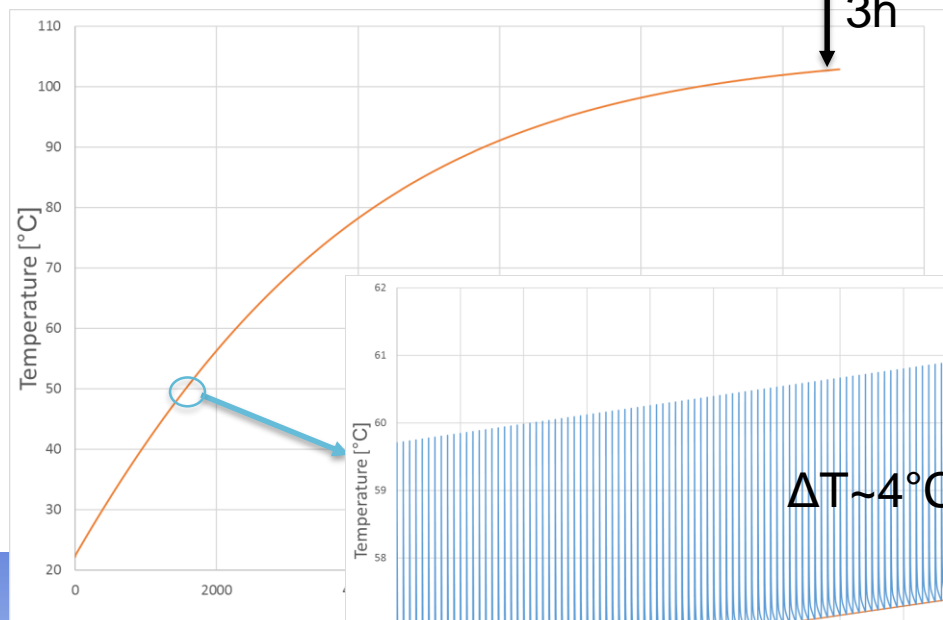


# Ion irradiation at GSI: thermo-mechanical simulation

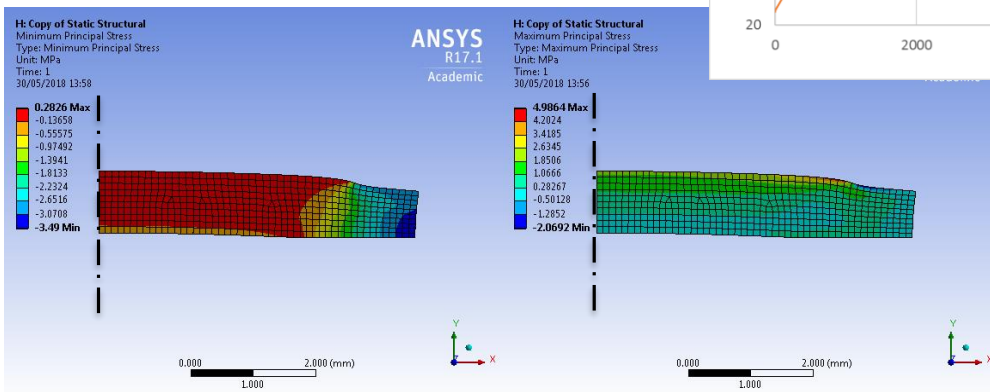
- Thermomechanical simulation of 1mm thick sample (axisymmetric)



Transient thermal analysis



- $T_{\text{max}} \sim 100^\circ\text{C}$
- Maximum stresses (mainly due to clamping) far from material limits



Structural analysis

# Outline

- Introduction
  - Collimator material requirements
- Irradiation test for graphitic materials
  - Facilities overview
  - Design and planning of ion irradiation at GSI
- **Pristine materials characterization**
- Conclusions

# Material characterization

- One of the drawbacks of light ion irradiation is the small penetration depth ( $\sim 37\text{--}45\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ )
  - Superficial technique
  - 2-layer model
  - Thin sample
- Material roughness
  - Impossible to use techniques based on sample reflectivity (thermoreflectance, Brillouin spectroscopy, substrate curvature)

# Material characterization

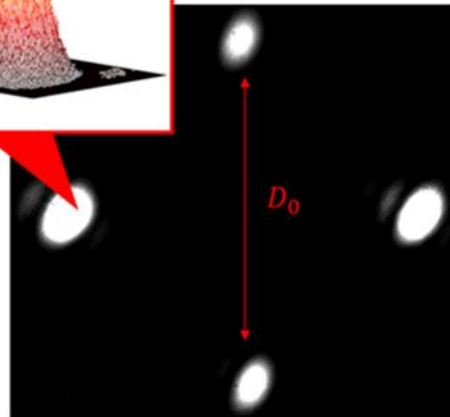
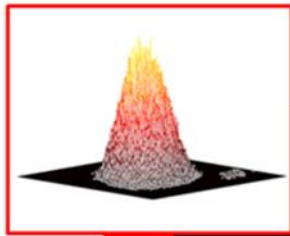
- One of the drawbacks of light ion irradiation is the small penetration depth

Substrate curvature method: No reflection of the beam (high roughness), diffusion forming a pattern → impossible to determine  $D_0$  (the curvature)

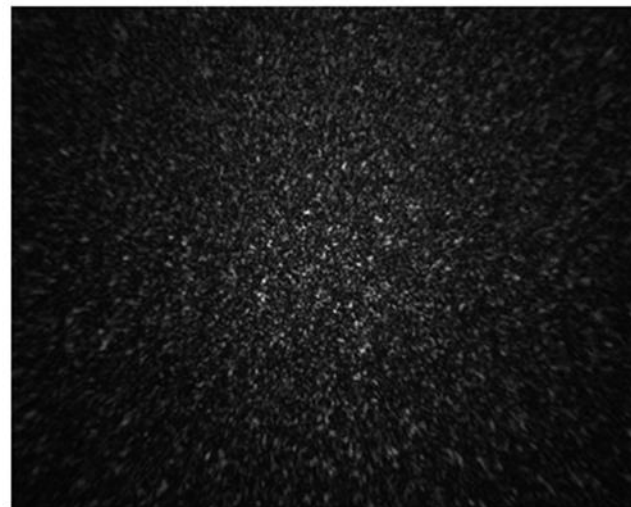
- Substrate
- 2-l
- This sample

- Material

- Irradiation
- (t



Reflection by polished surface



Pattern produced by Mo on MoGr

Substrate curvature

Courtesy of E. Besozzi (Energy Department, Politecnico di Milano)

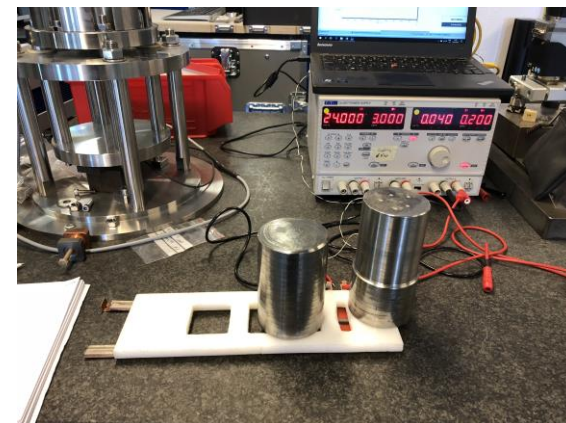
# Electrical conductivity-four probes method

Material	Grade	# sample measured	Average $\sigma^*$ [MS/m]	STDev [MS/m]	average uncertainty [%]
<b>CFC</b>	FS140	25	0.10	0.01	28
<b>Gr</b>	R4550	26	0.12	0.03	27
<b>MoGr</b>	Nb8304Ng	16	0.70	0.16	34
<b>MoGr</b>	MG6541Fc	18	1.23	0.34	26

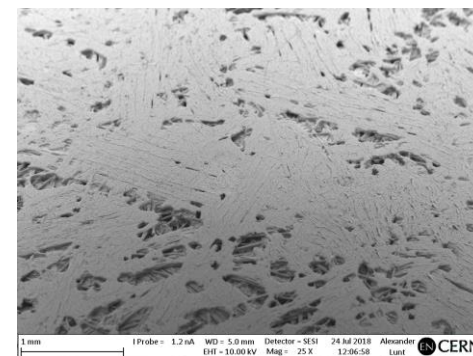
\*pessimistic with respect to AC measurements (sample too small for that!)

- The thickness was optimized in order to measure the thin Mo films by applying parallel resistance model → the same sample measured before and after the coating

Material	Grade	# sample measured	Average $\sigma$ [MS/m]	STDev [MS/m]	average uncertainty [%]
<b>Mo on CFC</b>	FS140	11	2.57	0.56	37
<b>Mo on Gr</b>	R4550	10	3.19	1.47	39
<b>Mo on MoGr</b>	Nb8304Ng	9	10.2	4.6	48
<b>Mo on MoGr</b>	MG6541Fc	9	3.68	1.48	68



Four probes method set-up (CERN)

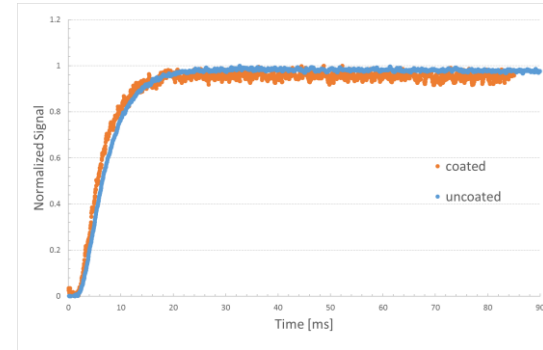


Discontinuities on CFC coated surface



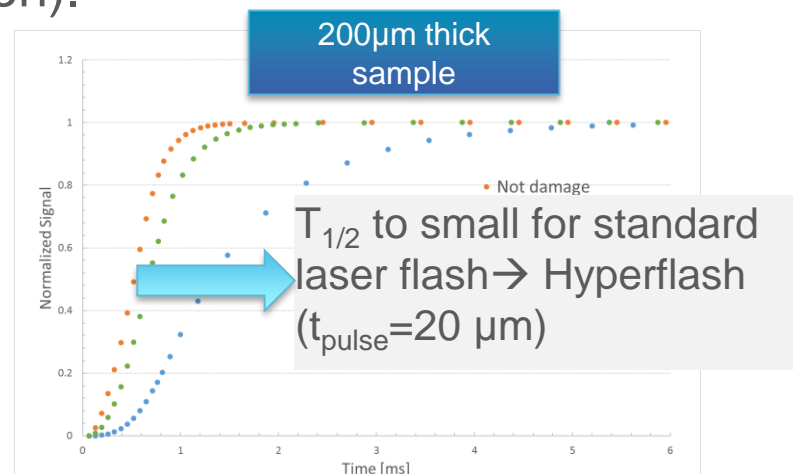
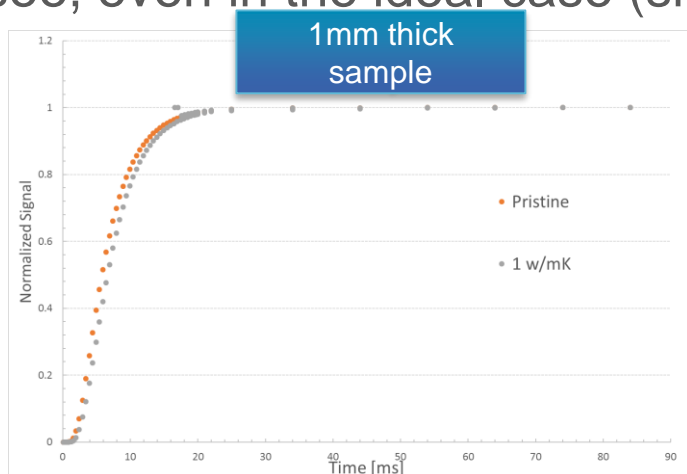
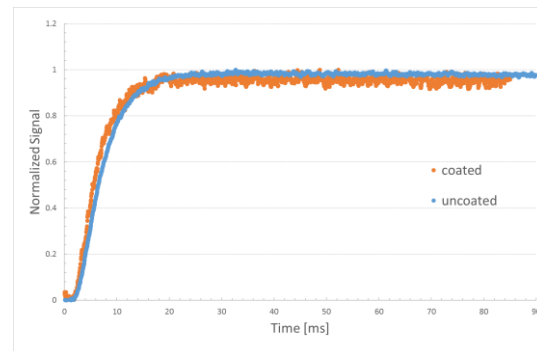
# Thermal diffusivity-laser flash analysis

- Pristine characterization underlines that it is not possible to investigate the coating by applying a two-layers model → negligible resistance



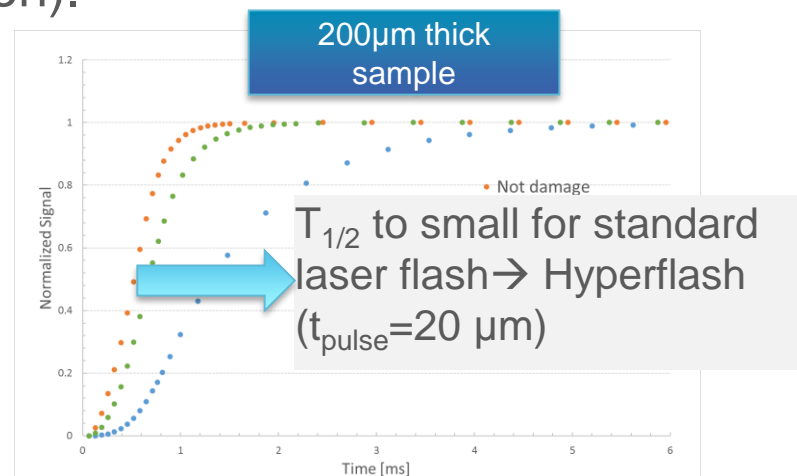
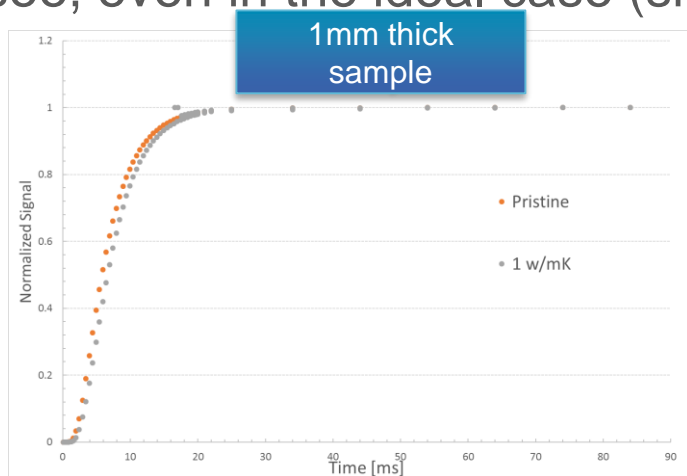
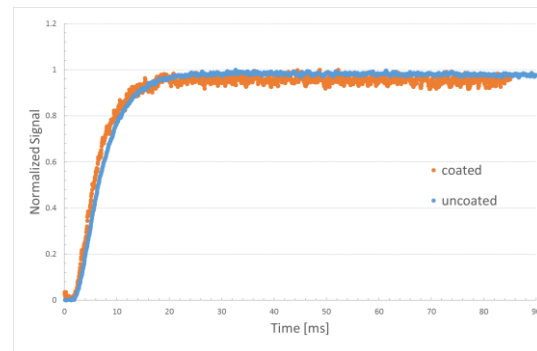
# Thermal diffusivity-laser flash analysis

- Pristine characterization underlines that it is not possible to investigate the coating by applying a two-layers model  $\rightarrow$  negligible resistance
- If we assume 1mm thick sample, and 35  $\mu\text{m}$  of ion penetration, the contribution of the damaged layer is so small that it is very difficult to see, even in the ideal case (simulation).



# Thermal diffusivity-laser flash analysis

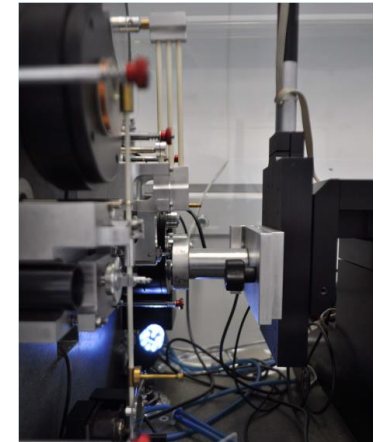
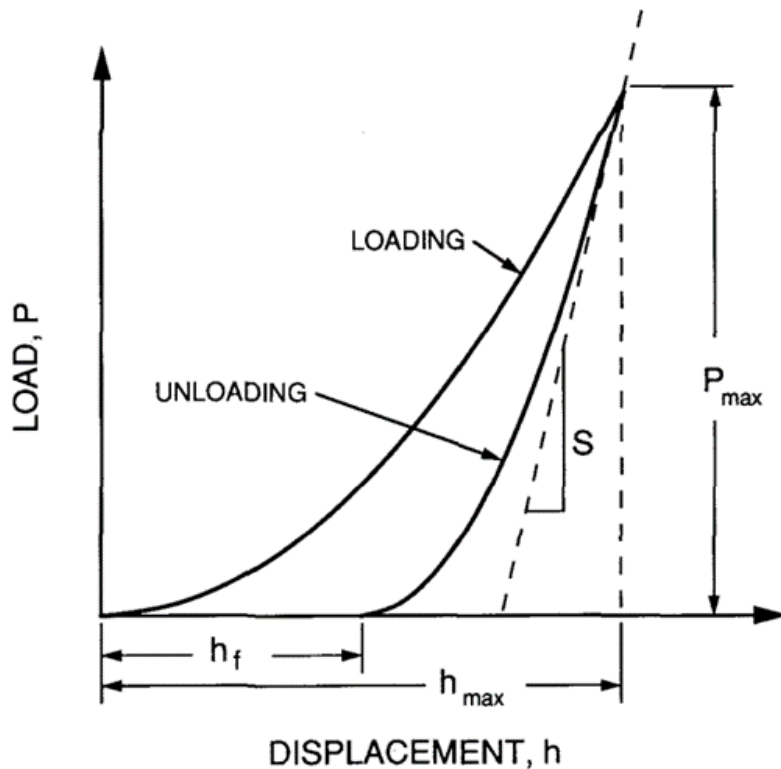
- Pristine characterization underlines that it is not possible to investigate the coating by applying a two-layers model  $\rightarrow$  negligible resistance
- If we assume 1mm thick sample, and 35  $\mu\text{m}$  of ion penetration, the contribution of the damaged layer is so small that it is very difficult to see, even in the ideal case (simulation).



- Coating contribution still too small  $\rightarrow$  assume constant dependence from electrical conductivity (Wiedemann-Franz law)

# Indentation–Bulk

- Each sample indented in 25 points with penetration-controlled (nano) and load controlled (micro)

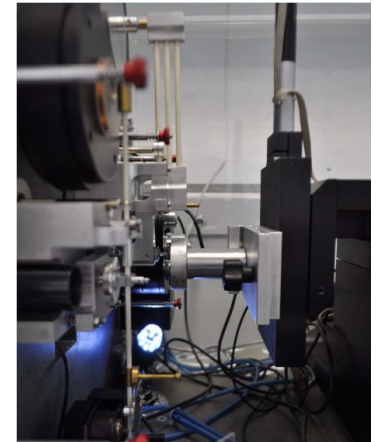


*Nano-Micro indentation set-up (GSI)*

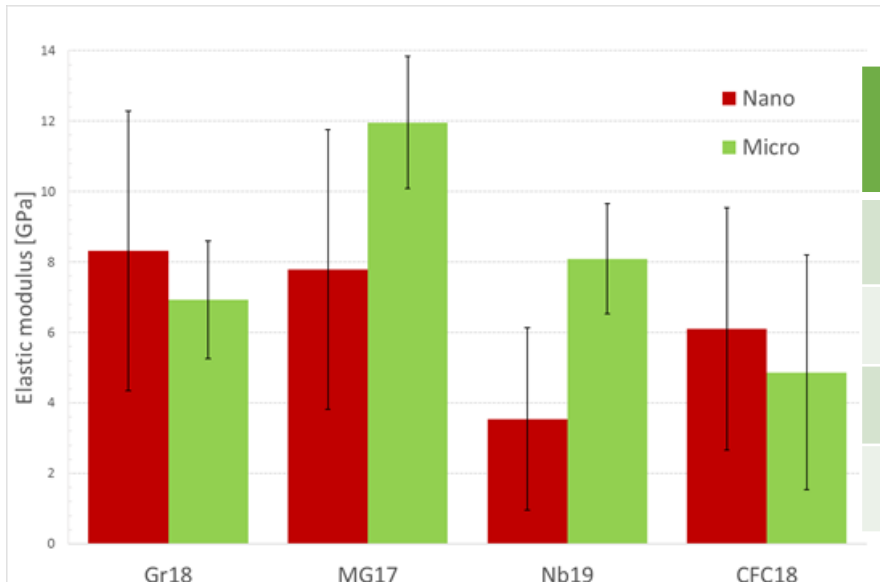
	Max load [mN]	Max depth [nm]
Nanoindentation	2	500
Microindentation	400	8000

# Indentation–Bulk

- Each sample indented in 25 points with penetration-controlled (nano) and load controlled (micro)
- Microindentation allows a reduction of the standard deviation → useful to observe radiation-induced hardening and increase of the elastic modulus



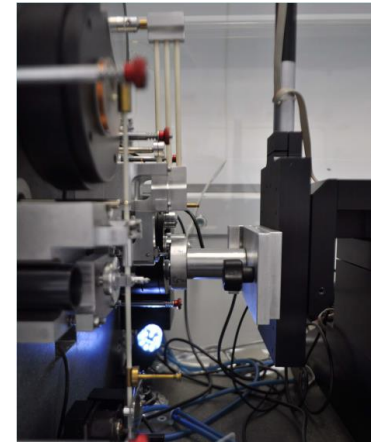
Nano-Micro indentation set-up (GSI)



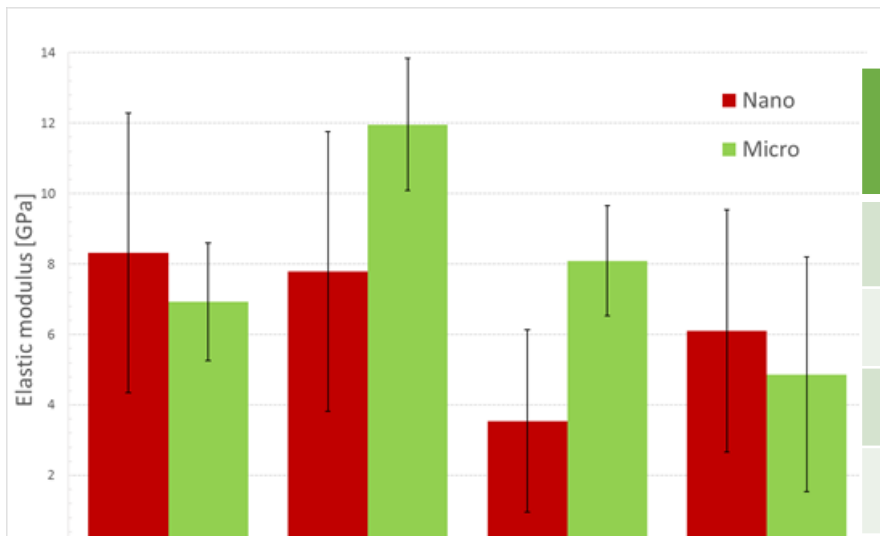
Material	Average E [GPa]	Standard deviation [GPa]	IET [GPa]
Graphite R4550	6.9	1.7	11
MG6541Fc	12	1.9	5
Nb8304Ng	8.1	1.6	4
CFC FS 140	4.9	3.3	3

# Indentation–Bulk

- Each sample indented in 25 points with penetration-controlled (nano) and load controlled (micro)
- Microindentation allows a reduction of the standard deviation → useful to observe radiation-induced hardening and increase of the elastic modulus



*Nano-Micro indentation set-up (GSI)*

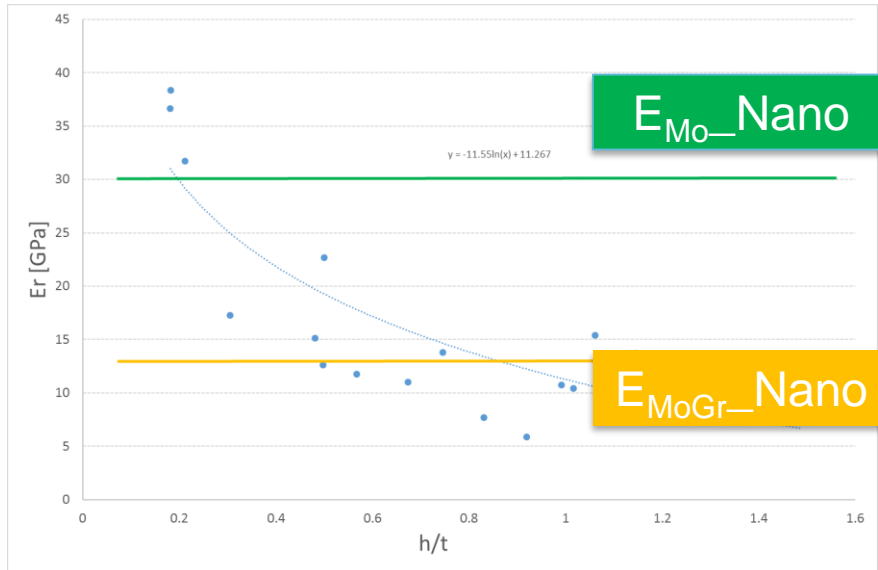


Material	Average E [GPa]	Standard deviation [GPa]	IET [GPa]
Graphite R4550	6.9	1.7	11
MG6541Fc	12	1.9	5
Nb8304Ng	8.1	1.6	4
CFC FS 140	4.9	3.3	3

- Differences with respect other method (e.g. IET) related to factors such as anisotropy and non-linearity.

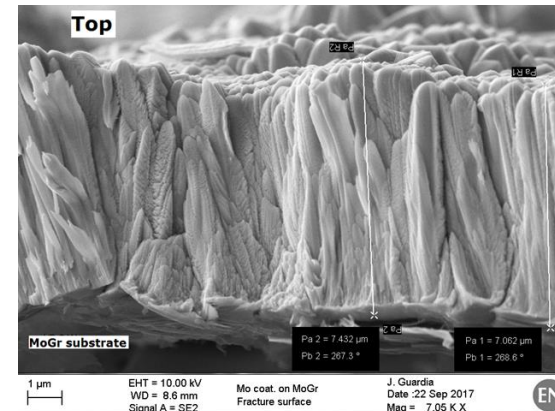
# Indentation–Coating

- The substrate influences the indentation modulus of the coating if the penetration depth is 1/10 of the film thickness → extrapolate the data to  $h/t=0.1$



Material	Grade	$E_{\text{reduced}}$ Extrapolated [GPa]
MoGr	MG6541Fc	38
CFC	FS140	29
Gr	R4550	46
MoGr	Nb8304Ng	34

- Differences with respect Mo bulk value probably related to coating anisotropy.



Courtesy of J. Guardia

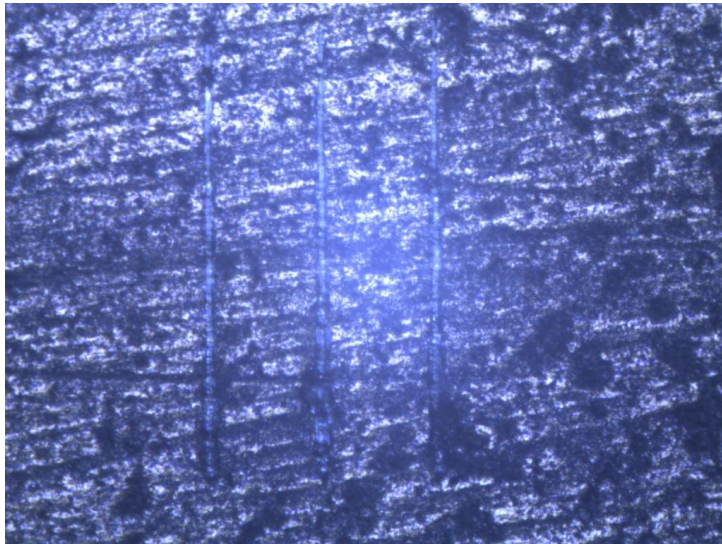
# Coating adhesion-Scratch test

- An increasing load is applied by the nanoindenter, possible coating failure can be detected with:



# Coating adhesion-Scratch test

- An increasing load is applied by the nanoindenter, possible coating failure can be detected with:
  - Optical microscopy images → difficult for material roughness and coating/bulk colours



# Coating adhesion-Scratch test

- An increasing load is applied by the nanoindenter, possible coating failure can be detected with:
  - Optical microscopy images → difficult for material roughness and coating/bulk colours
  - Abrupt variation in the load curve → irregularities due to roughness already present



# Coating adhesion-Scratch test

- An increasing load is applied by the nanoindenter, possible coating failure can be detected with:
  - Optical microscopy images → difficult for material roughness and coating/bulk colours
  - Abrupt variation in the load curve → irregularities due to roughness already present
  - Acoustic emission → not available in the used set-up

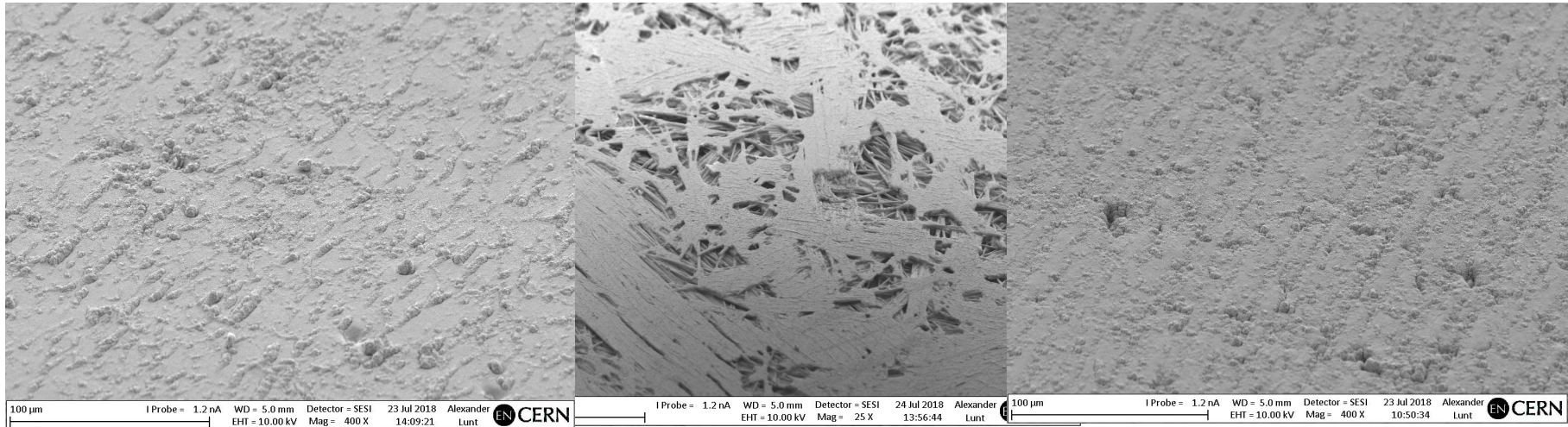




# Microscopic characterization

## Focused Ion Beam (FIB)

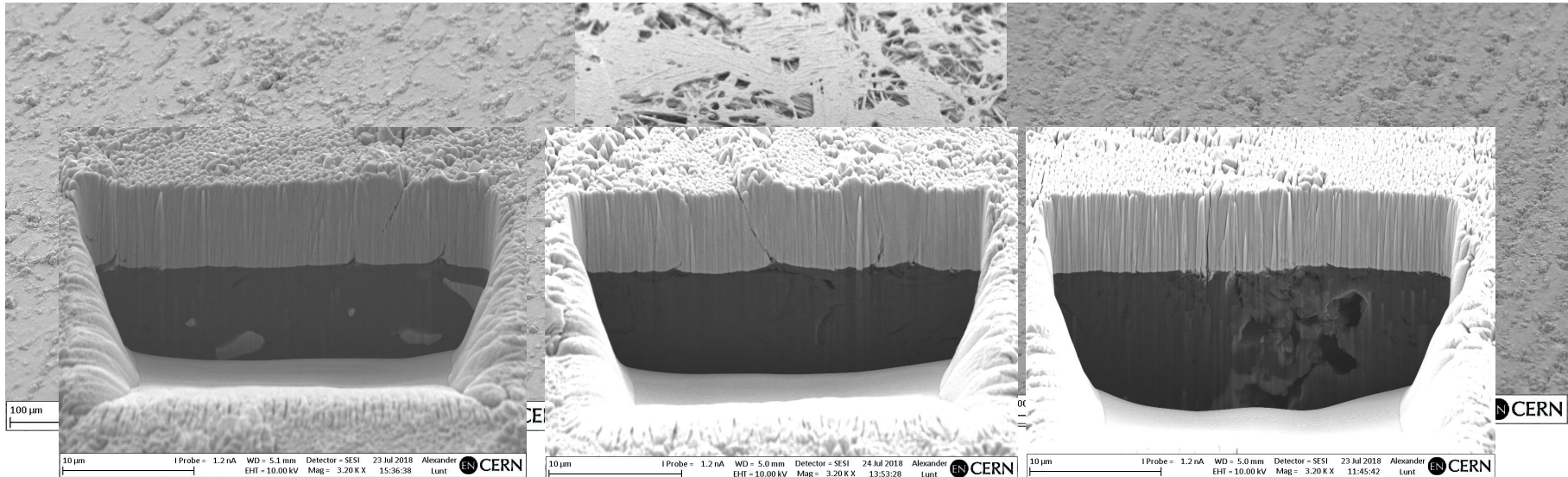
- Important to check bulk-coating interface and coating microstructure
- Qualitative assessment of coating adherence



# Microscopic characterization

## Focused Ion Beam (FIB)

- Important to check bulk-coating interface and coating microstructure
- Qualitative assessment of coating adherence



MoGr

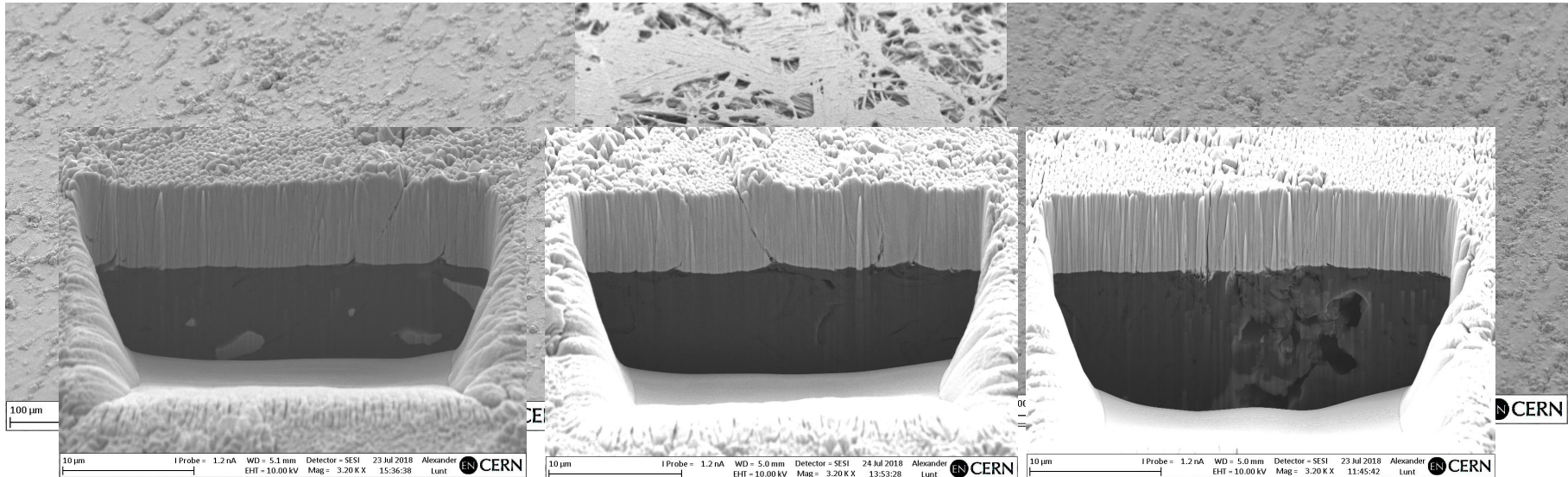
CFC

Graphite

# Microscopic characterization

## Focused Ion Beam (FIB)

- Important to check bulk-coating interface and coating microstructure
- Qualitative assessment of coating adherence



MoGr

CFC

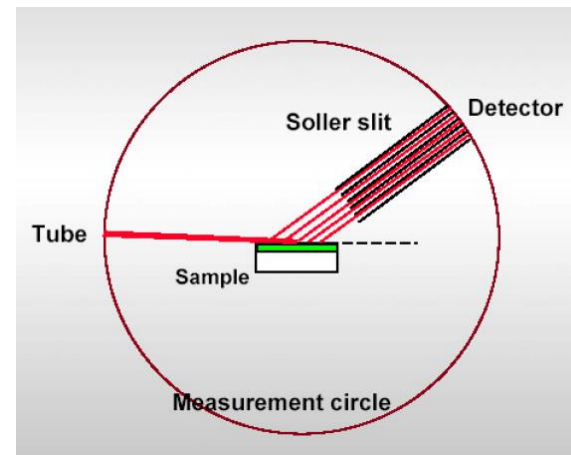
Graphite

- Very local → important to check the same milling before and after irradiation
- Milled location will see different irradiation condition → the milling is repeat after irradiation

# Other measurements (ongoing)

## X-rays diffraction

- Useful to investigate radiation-induced changes of phase, crystal lattice parameter, grain size
- Penetration range of x-rays in graphite  $\gg$  ion range  $\rightarrow$  use thin-film XRD configuration to detect only the damaged surface

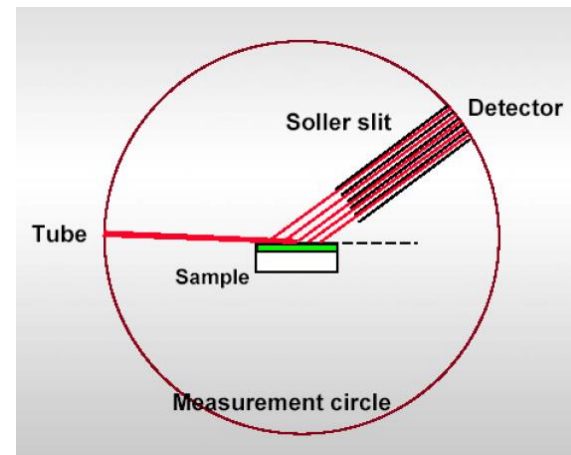




# Other measurements (ongoing)

## X-rays diffraction

- Useful to investigate radiation-induced changes of phase, crystal lattice parameter, grain size
- Penetration range of x-rays in graphite  $\gg$  ion range  $\rightarrow$  use thin-film XRD configuration to detect only the damaged surface



## Raman spectroscopy (superficial)

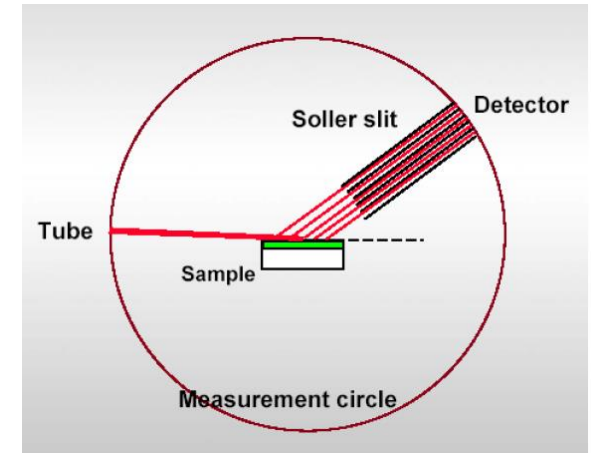
- Radiation-induced defects, amorphization



# Other measurements (ongoing)

## X-rays diffraction

- Useful to investigate radiation-induced changes of phase, crystal lattice parameter, grain size
- Penetration range of x-rays in graphite  $\gg$  ion range  $\rightarrow$  use thin-film XRD configuration to detect only the damaged surface



## Raman spectroscopy (superficial)

- Radiation-induced defects, amorphization

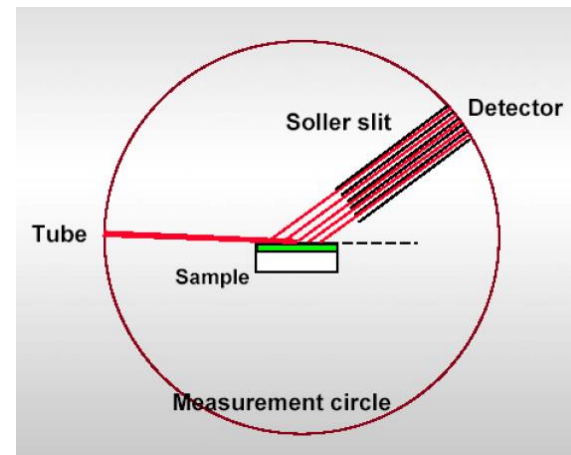
## X-rays photoelectron spectroscopy (superficial)

- Investigation of chemical changes

# Other measurements (ongoing)

## X-rays diffraction

- Useful to investigate radiation-induced changes of phase, crystal lattice parameter, grain size
- Penetration range of x-rays in graphite  $\gg$  ion range  $\rightarrow$  use thin-film XRD configuration to detect only the damaged surface



## Raman spectroscopy (superficial)

- Radiation-induced defects, amorphization

## X-rays photoelectron spectroscopy (superficial)

- Investigation of chemical changes

## Thermal desorption spectroscopy

- Desorption behaviour modified by microstructural changes induced by radiation

# Conclusions

- Radiation effects on materials for BID must be checked under different conditions:
  - Material functionality after high-energy fast interaction → deep characterization will be launched **first half next year** on a wide set of materials and coating (HRMT36)
  - High-energy proton irradiation at BNL → See M. Calviani presentation
  - Light ion irradiation at GSI → foreseen test in August, 2018 postponed due to an accident in the GSI beamline → **beginning of 2019**

# Conclusions

- Radiation effects on materials for BID must be checked under different conditions:
  - Material functionality after high-energy fast interaction → deep characterization will be launched **first half next year** on a wide set of materials and coating (HRMT36)
  - High-energy proton irradiation at BNL → See M. Calviani presentation
  - Light ion irradiation at GSI → foreseen test in August, 2018 postponed due to an accident in the GSI beamline → **beginning of 2019**
- How to counterbalance the drawbacks of light ion irradiation:
  - Small penetration
    - Thin sample
    - Superficial measurement techniques
  - No gas production
    - Comparison with p-irradiated material data + theoretical correlation ?

# Conclusions

- Radiation effects on materials for BID must be checked under different conditions:
  - Material functionality after high-energy fast interaction → deep characterization will be launched **first half next year** on a wide set of materials and coating (HRMT36)
  - High-energy proton irradiation at BNL → See M. Calviani presentation
  - Light ion irradiation at GSI → foreseen test in August, 2018 postponed due to an accident in the GSI beamline → **beginning of 2019**
- How to counterbalance the drawbacks of light ion irradiation:
  - Small penetration
    - Thin sample
    - Superficial measurement techniques
  - No gas production
    - Comparison with p-irradiated material data + theoretical correlation ?
- Low-no activation of the sample → extensive characterization and cheap



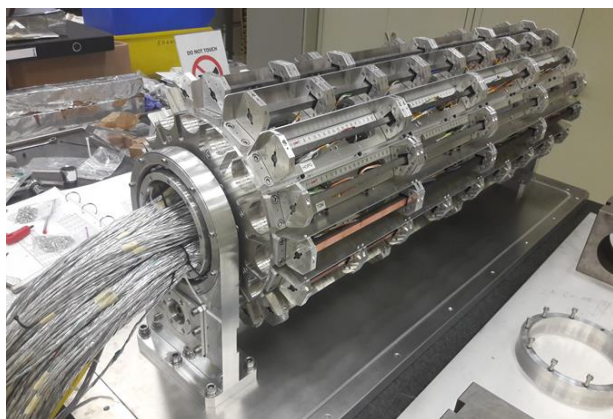
# Acknowledgements

- Mechanical Measurements Lab of EN-MME (CERN)
- Metallurgy Lab of EN-MME (CERN)
- Surface preparation and coating team of TE-VSC (CERN)
- Impedance measurements (BE-ABP)
- Material research group (GSI)

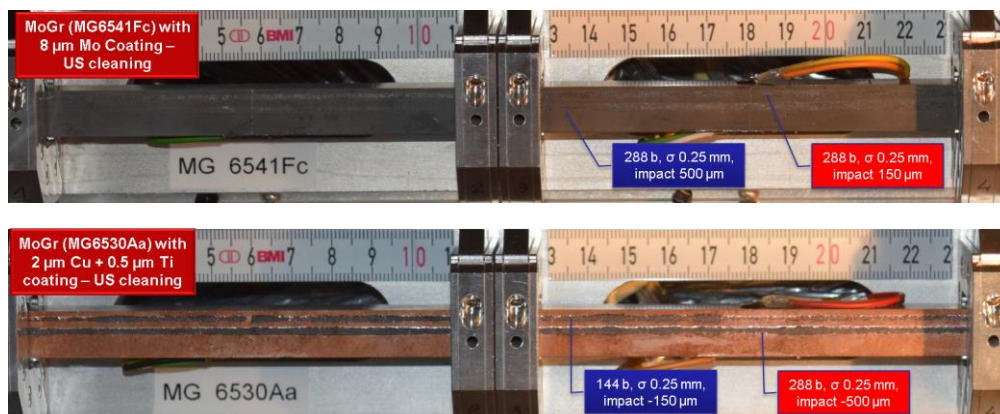
*Thank you for your attention!*

# MultiMAT: HRTM36 experience

- HRTM36: assessment of thermo-mechanical response of 18 materials, including metallic coatings (Mo, Cu, TiN) on CFC, MoGr, Graphite



*HRTM36 rotating barrel*

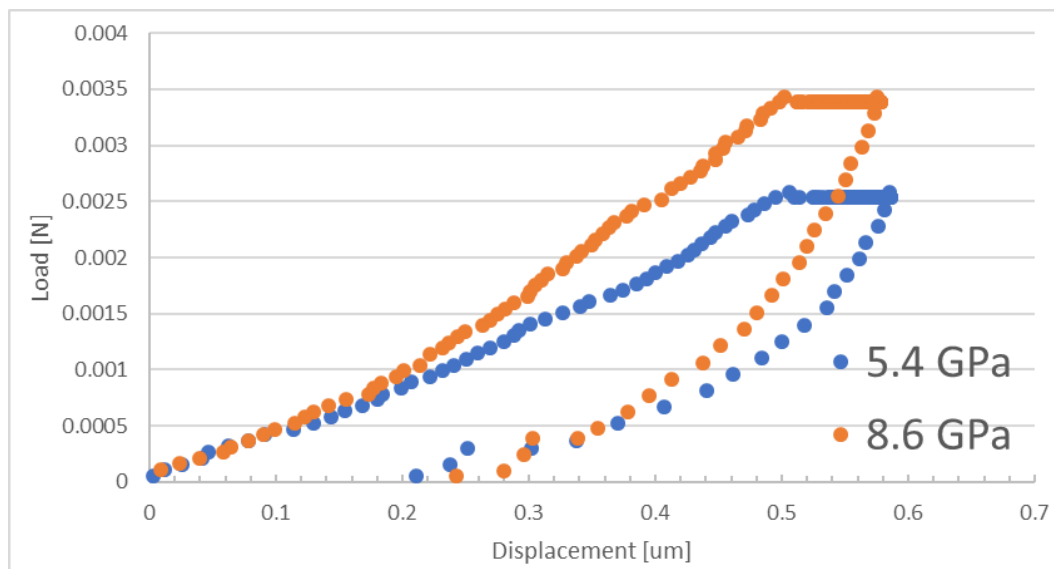


*Impacted Cu and Mo coating on MoGr*

- Activation level (October 2018) 210µSv/h (contact)
- Planned opening first half of 2019
- Possible PIE at CERN: electrical conductivity , topography, indentation, scratch test

# Indentation-Graphite

- The software uses the Oliver-Pharr method to find the stiffness.



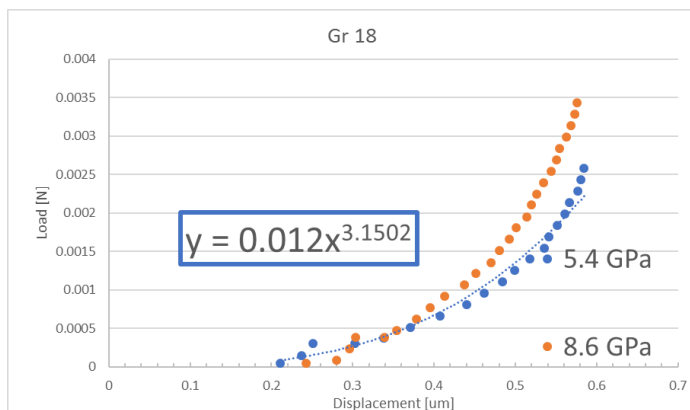
*Interpolation of the unloading curve with a power function:*

$$P = A(h - h_f)^m$$

$$S = \left( \frac{dP}{dh} \right)_{h_{max}}$$

$$h_c = h_{max} - \varepsilon \frac{P_{max}}{S}$$

$$E_{reduced} = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \frac{S}{\sqrt{24.5h_c^2}}$$



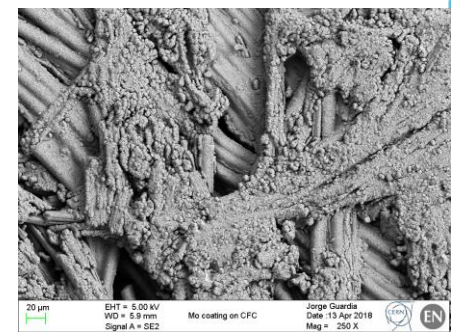
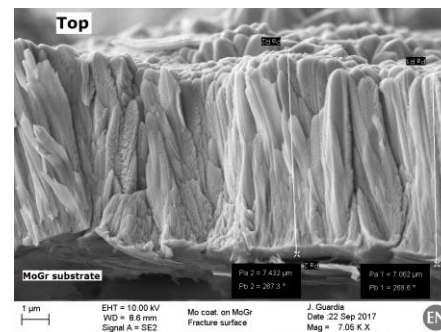
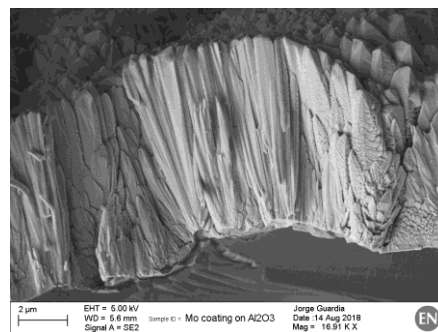
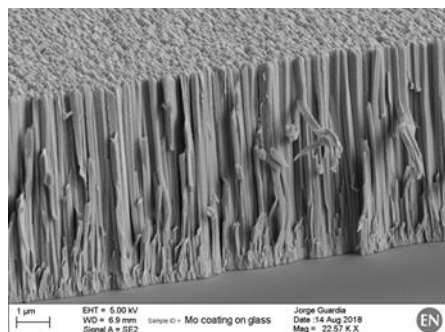
Point	Esoftware [GPa]	Ecurve * [GPa]
1	5.4	9.2
2	8.6	12.2



# Coating electrical conductivity

- The resistivity of the coating is affected by the combination of grain size and defects (discontinuities).

	Substrate roughness	Mo grain size (average)	Amount of coating discontinuities	Coating conductivity (MS/m)		Coating resistivity (nΩ.m)
Glass	~0	+	no	+ 😊	4.3 [DC] 5.0 [RF]	232 [DC] 200 [RF]
Alumina	+++	++	++	+ 😊	4.6 [DC] 4.1 [RF]	218 [DC] 244 [RF]
MoGr	+	++	+	+++ 😊	- 14.3-16.7 [RF]	- 60-70 [RF]
CFC	++++	++	(big voids)	- 😞	n.d. (≈substrate)	n.d. (≈substrate)



Courtesy of J. Guardia EN/MME  
Impedance meeting 24-08-2018