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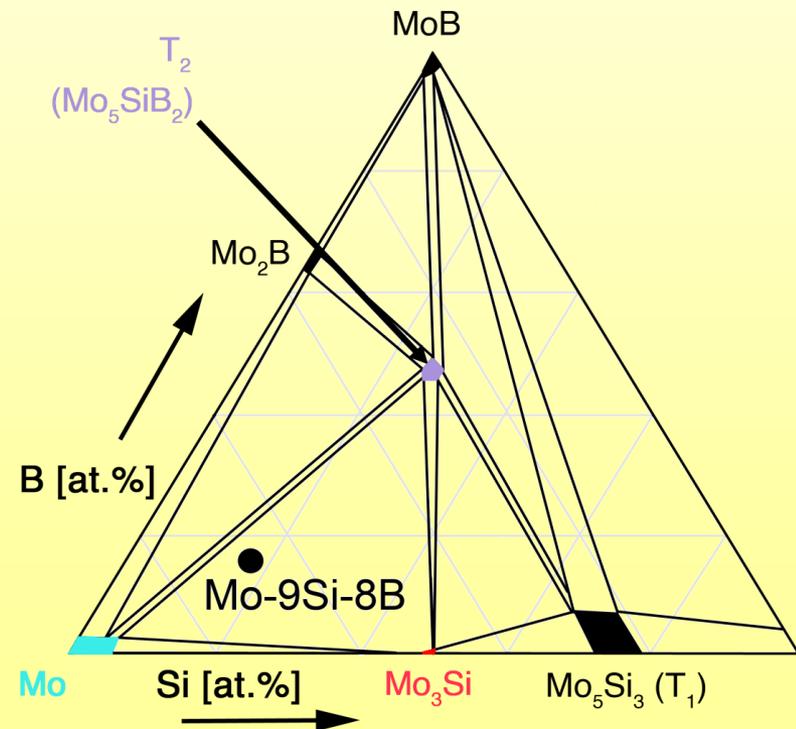


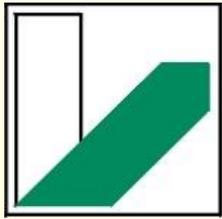
Mo-9Si-8B-xAl-yGe

Alloys: $Mo - 9Si - 8B - xAl - yGe$ $x = 0 \dots 2 \text{ at. \%}$
 $y = 0 \dots 2 \text{ at. \%}$

Aluminum and Germanium:

- Al reduces the initial crack density
- reduce the melting point of the alloy
- reduces slightly the density of the alloy

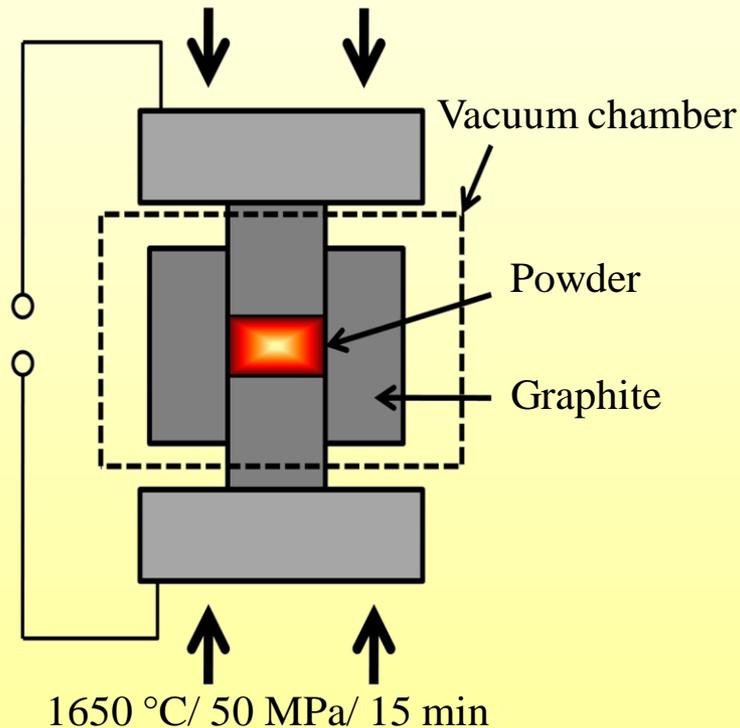




Powder metallurgy (SPS)

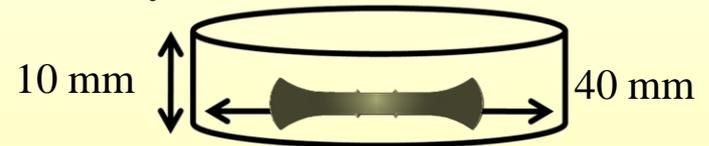


Spark Plasma Sintering (SPS) at KIT



SPS specimen with schematic creep sample

Geometry:



100 g ; $\rho = 9.1 \text{ g/cm}^3$





Melting metallurgy

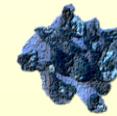
pure elements

arc melting

heat treatment

1850 °C for 24 h

creep specimen



B



Mo

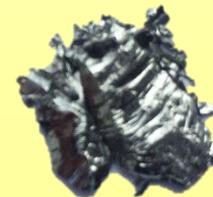


Al

2 mm



Si



Ge



Melting metallurgy



Arc melting furnace

pure elements

arc melting

heat treatment

1850 °C for 24 h

creep specimen





Melting metallurgy

Arc melting process

pure elements

arc melting

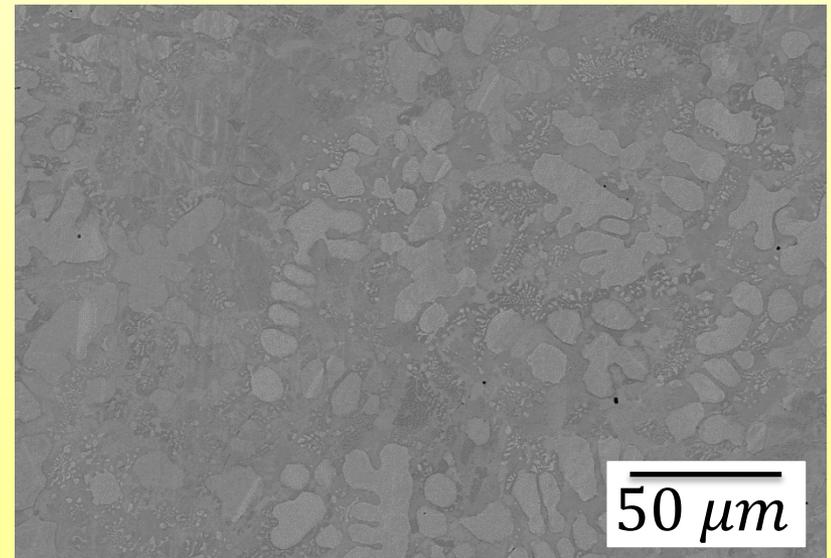
heat treatment

1850 °C for 24 h

creep specimen



10 mm





Melting metallurgy

Vacuum cold wall furnace

pure elements

arc melting

heat treatment

1850 °C for 24 h

creep specimen





Melting metallurgy

pure elements

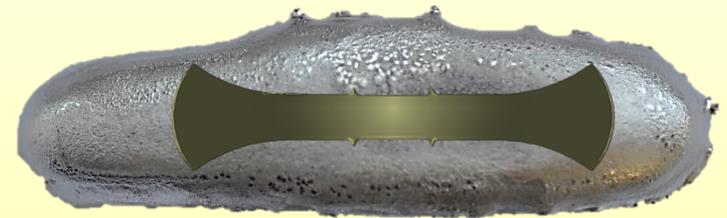
arc melting

heat treatment

1850 °C for 24 h

creep specimen

**Arc melted specimen with
schematic creep sample**

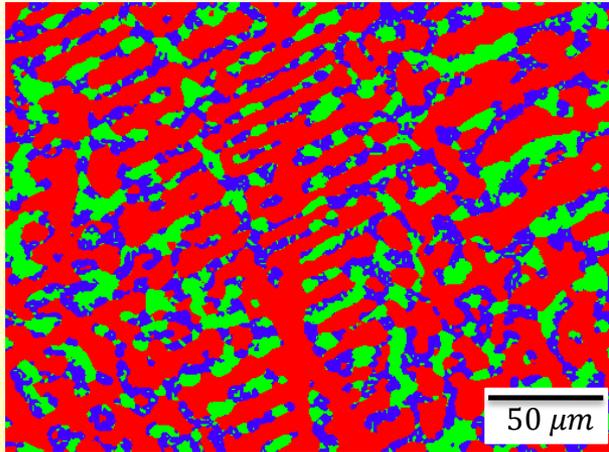


10 mm

30 g ; $\rho = 9.3 \text{ g/cm}^3$



Mo-9Si-8B-2Al



Heat treatment:
1850 °C
24 h

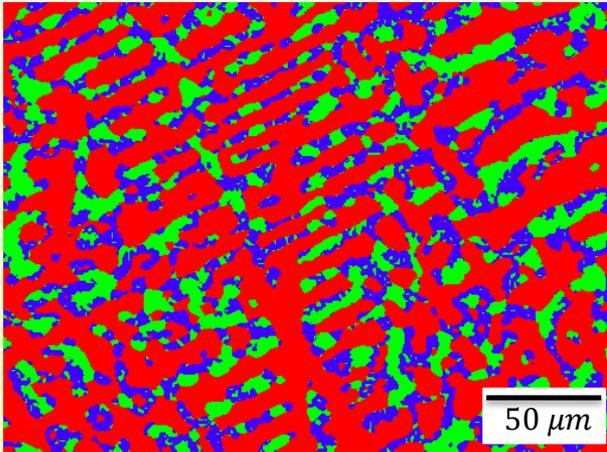
	<i>Mo_{SS}</i>	<i>Mo₃Si</i>	<i>Mo₅SiB₂</i>	<i>Mo₅SiB₂</i> nominal composition
<i>Mo</i>	94.3	75.5	82.7	62.5
<i>Si</i>	4.2	21.4	16.9	12.5
<i>B</i>	<i>n. d.</i>	<i>n. d.</i>	<i>n. d.</i>	25.0
<i>Al</i>	1.5	3.1	0.6	—

Stated in at.%

$$\frac{Mo}{Si} = \frac{4.9}{1}$$

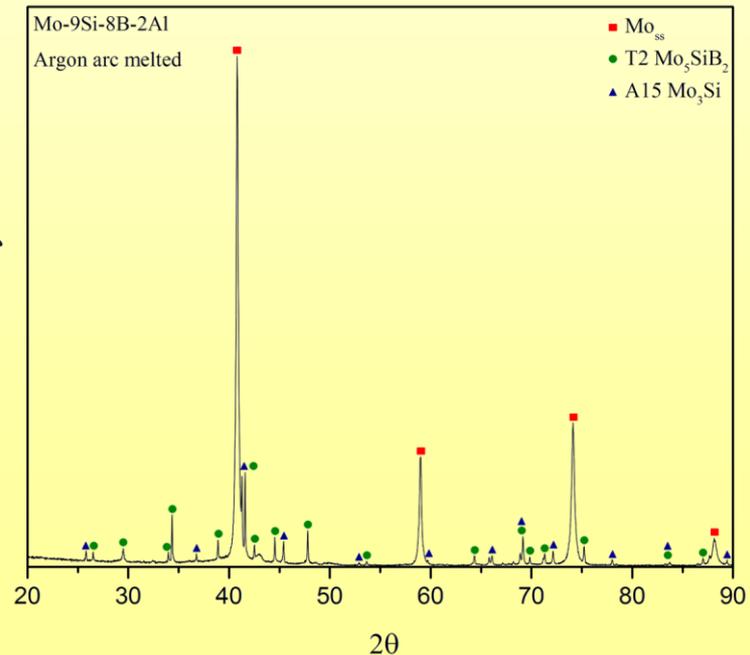
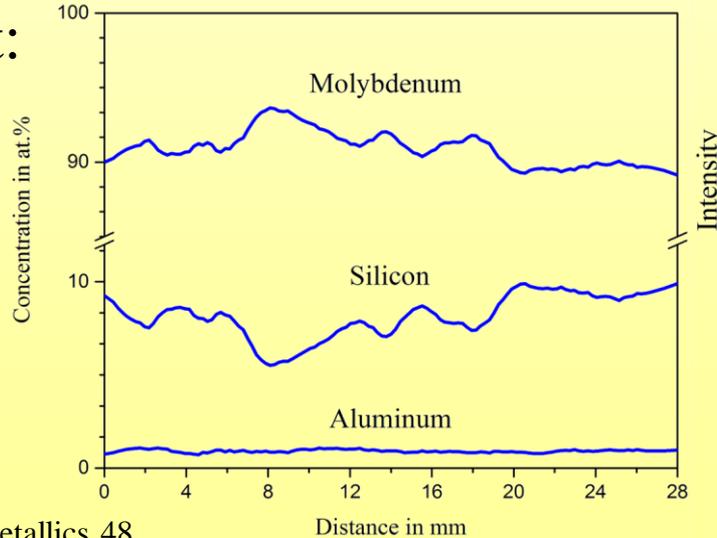


Mo-9Si-8B-2Al



	Mo_{ss}	Mo_3Si	Mo_5SiB_2
theo. composition	55%	15%	30%
Mo-9Si-8B (SPS) [1]	57%	14%	29%
Mo-9Si-8B-2Al	56%	22%	22%

Heat treatment:
1850 °C
24 h

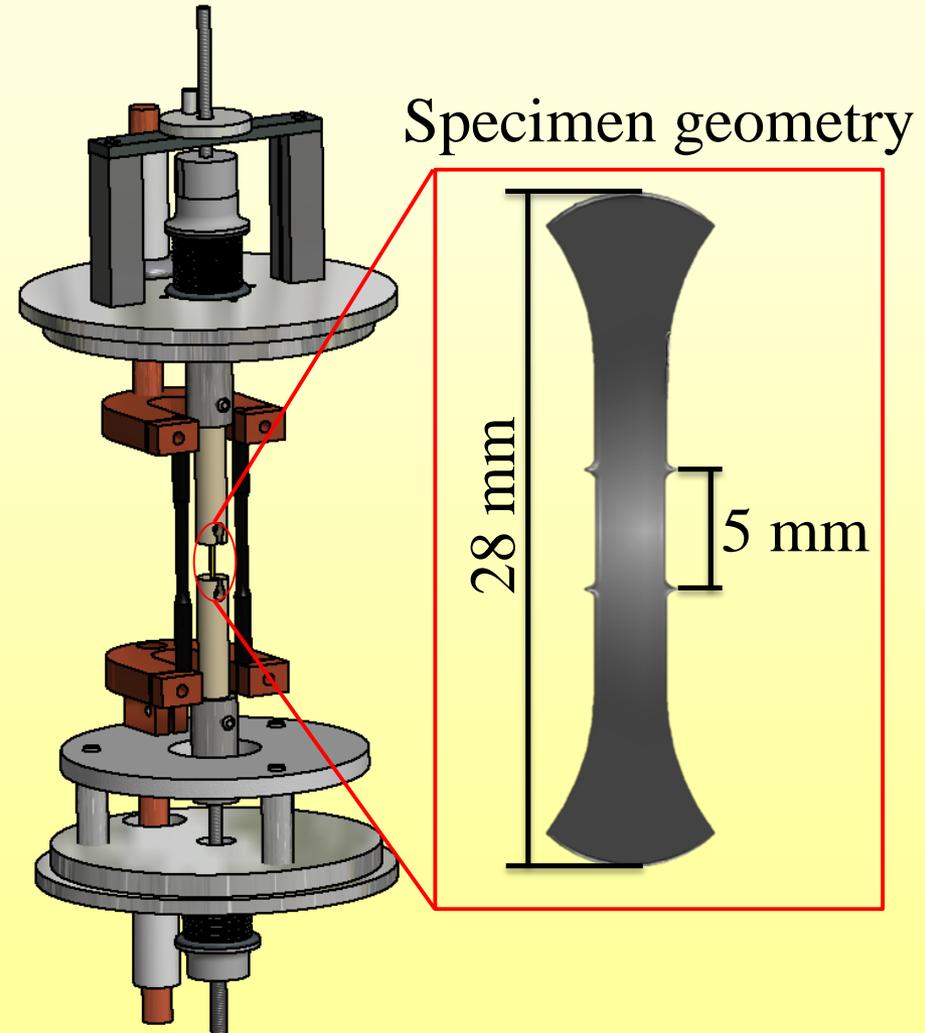
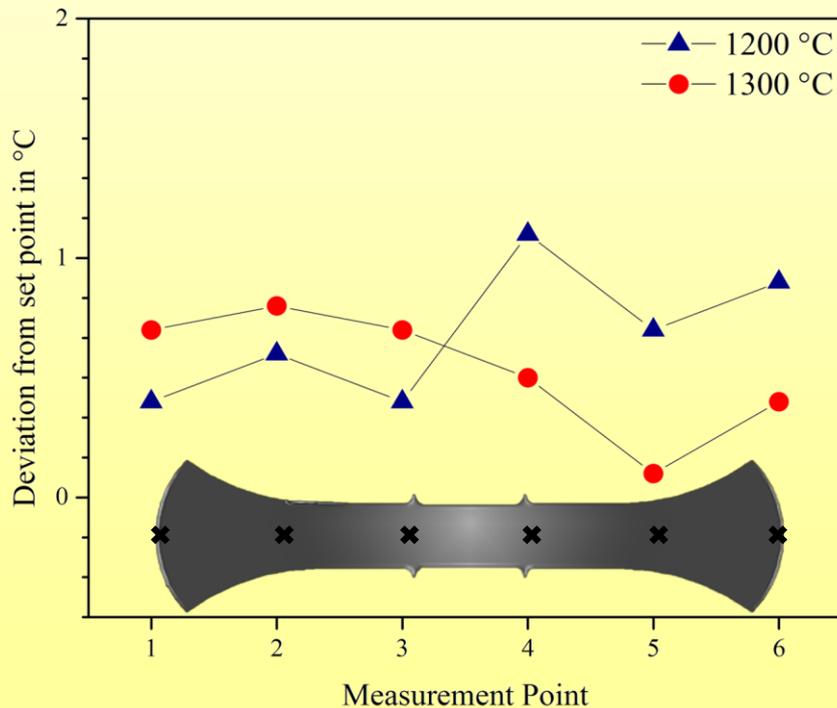


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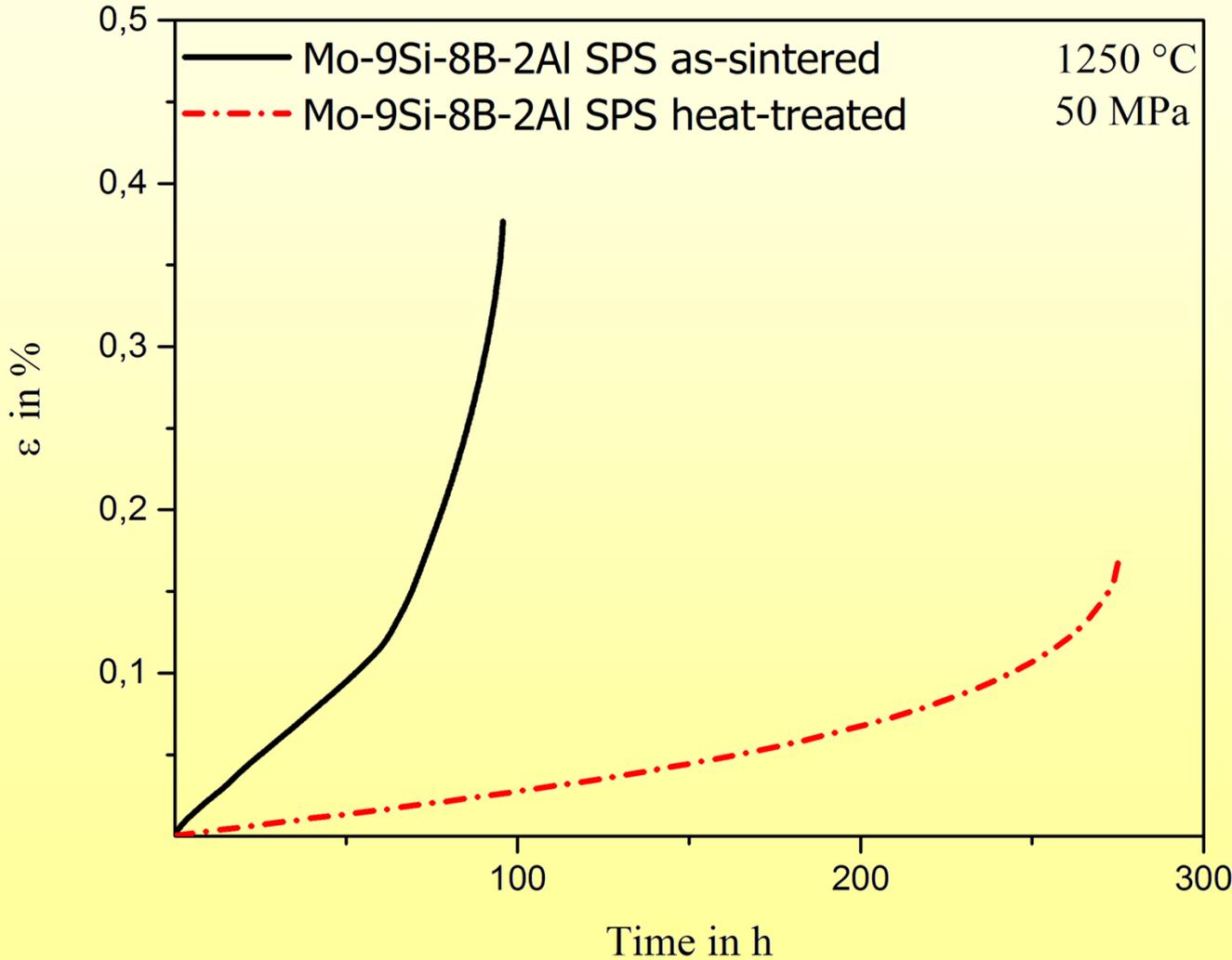
Creep testing device

- temperatures up to 1500 °C
- vacuum $8 \cdot 10^{-4}$ Pa
- small specimens





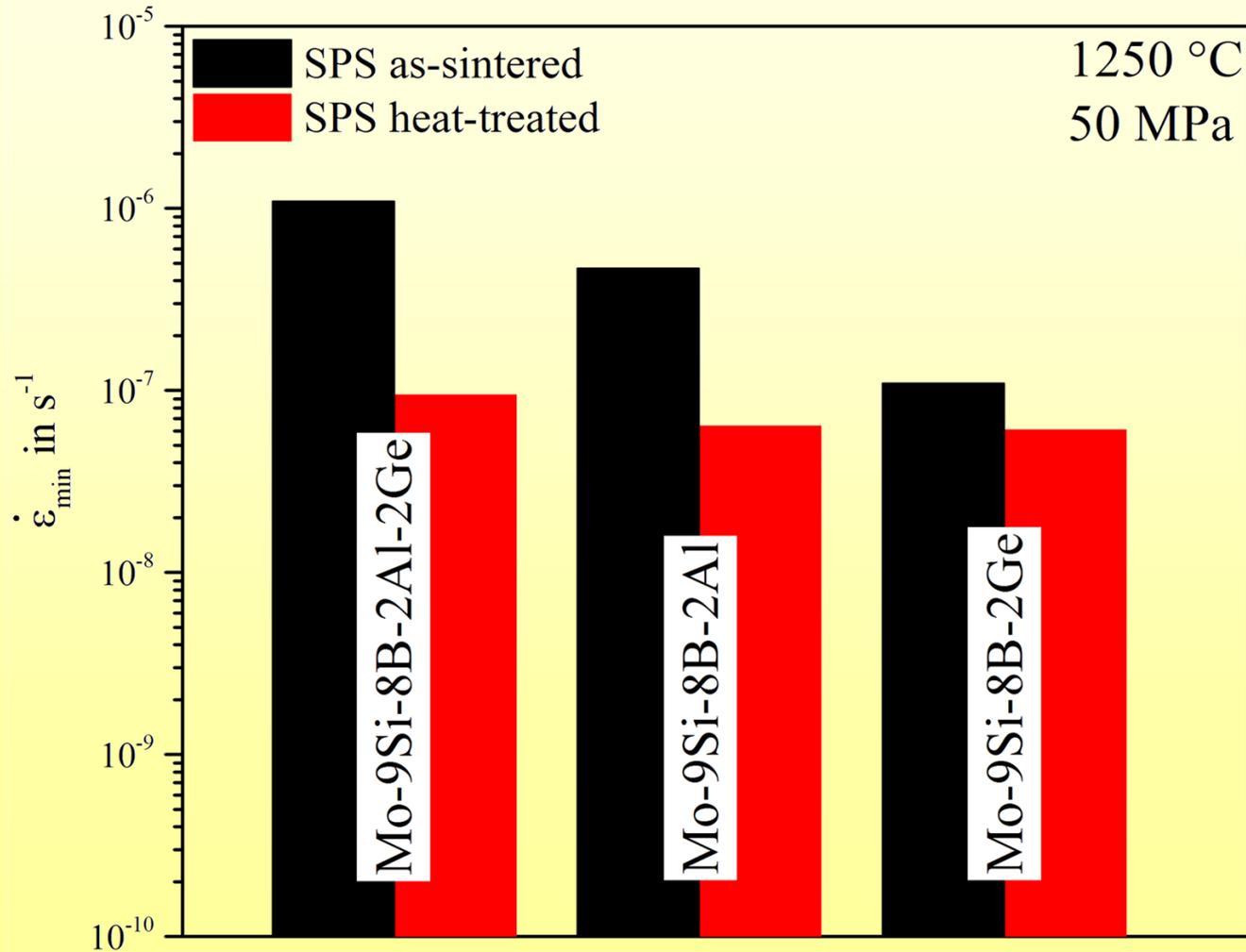
Creep tests



1 mm

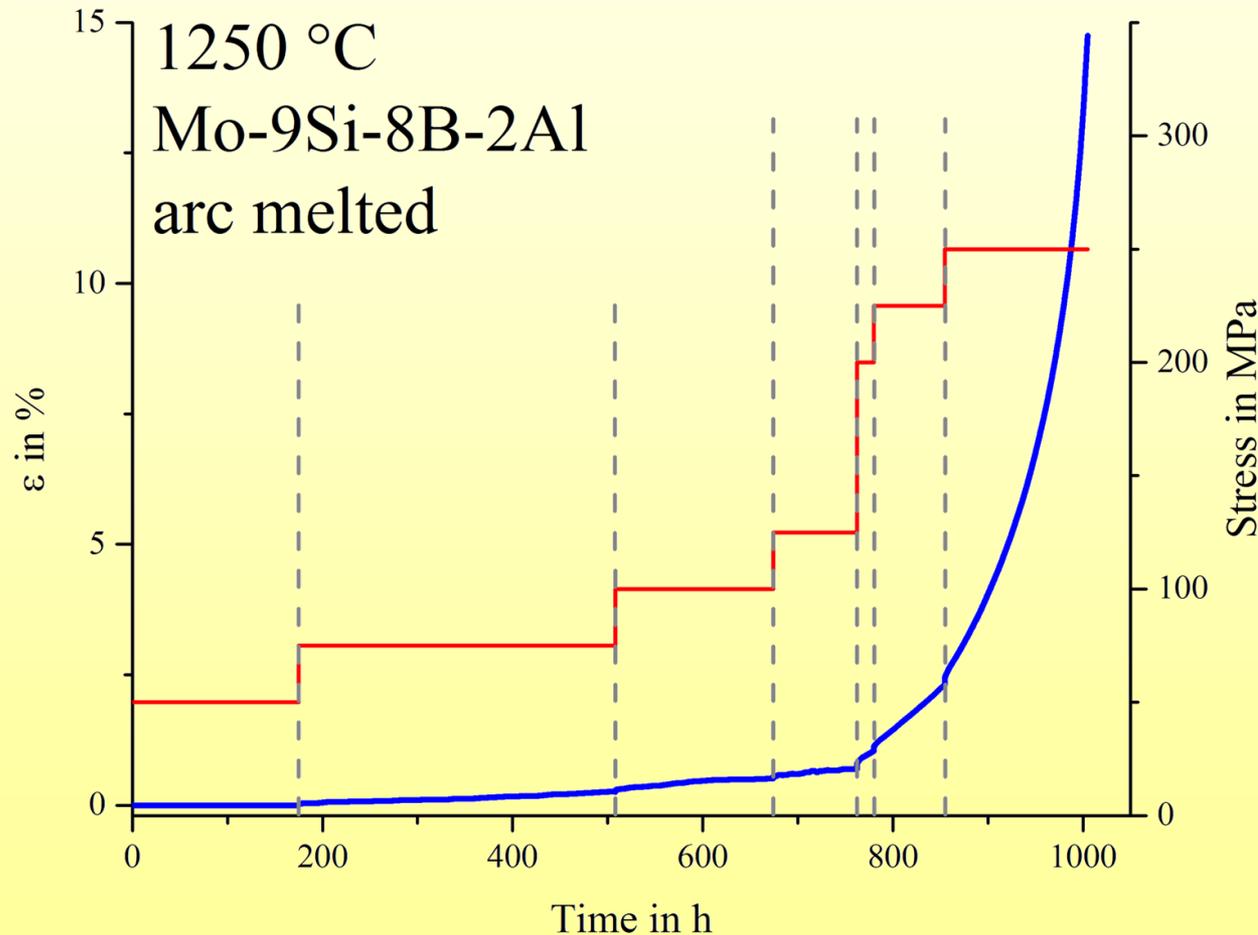


SPS creep tests





Arc melted creep tests

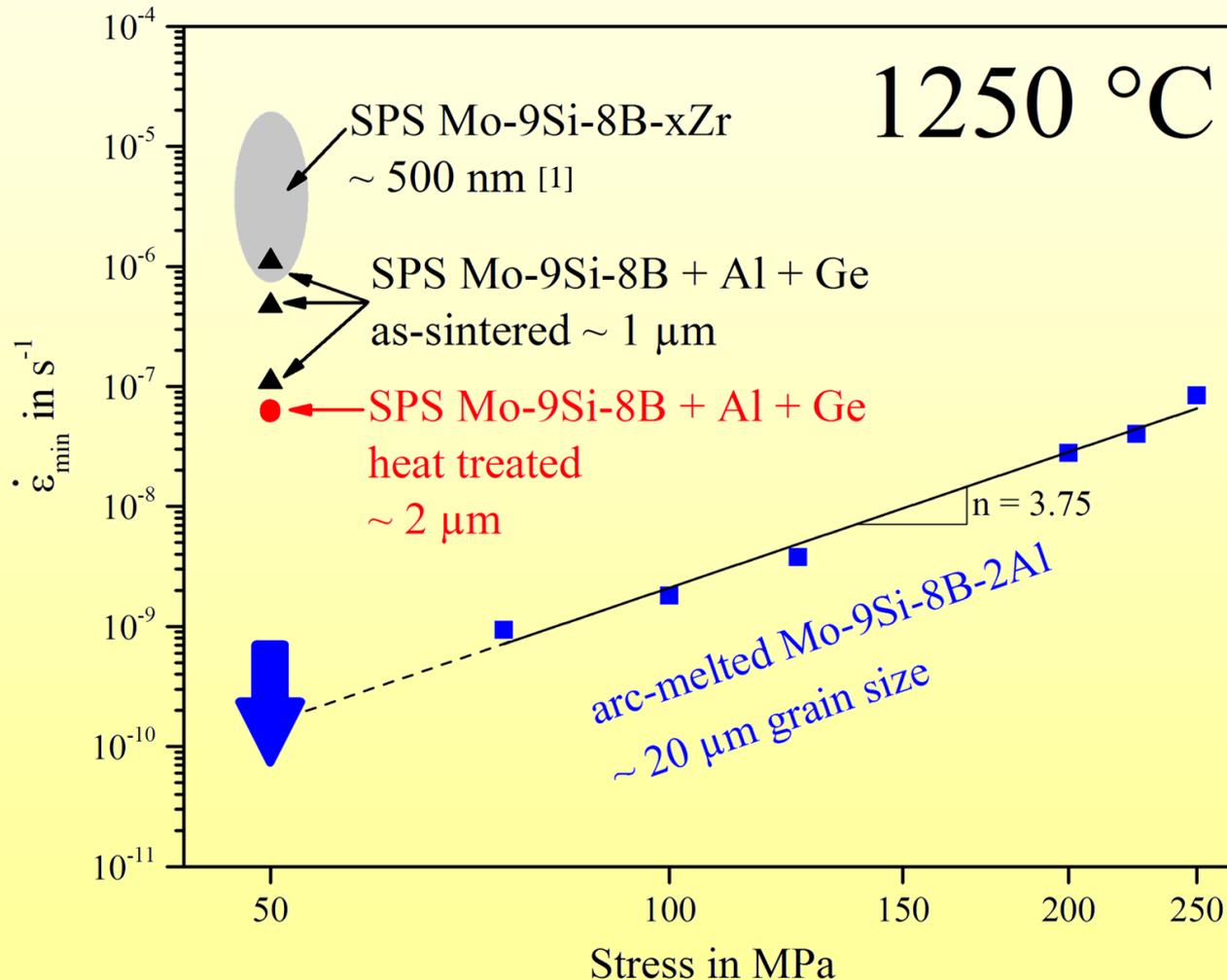


Arc melted specimen:

- test time in total over 1000 h
- no strain rate detected for 50 MPa after more than 150 h



Creep tests



doubling the grain size decreases the minimum strain rate one order of magnitude

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Summary and outlook



- successfully adapted the way of manufacturing ✓
- microstructural characterization with EDS, XRD and XRF ✓
- new creep testing device ✓
- creep test ✓
- FIB tomography
- microstructural characterization after creep testing



Thank you for your attention

Mo-9Si-8B-2Al: 1250 °C 250 MPa 150 h

