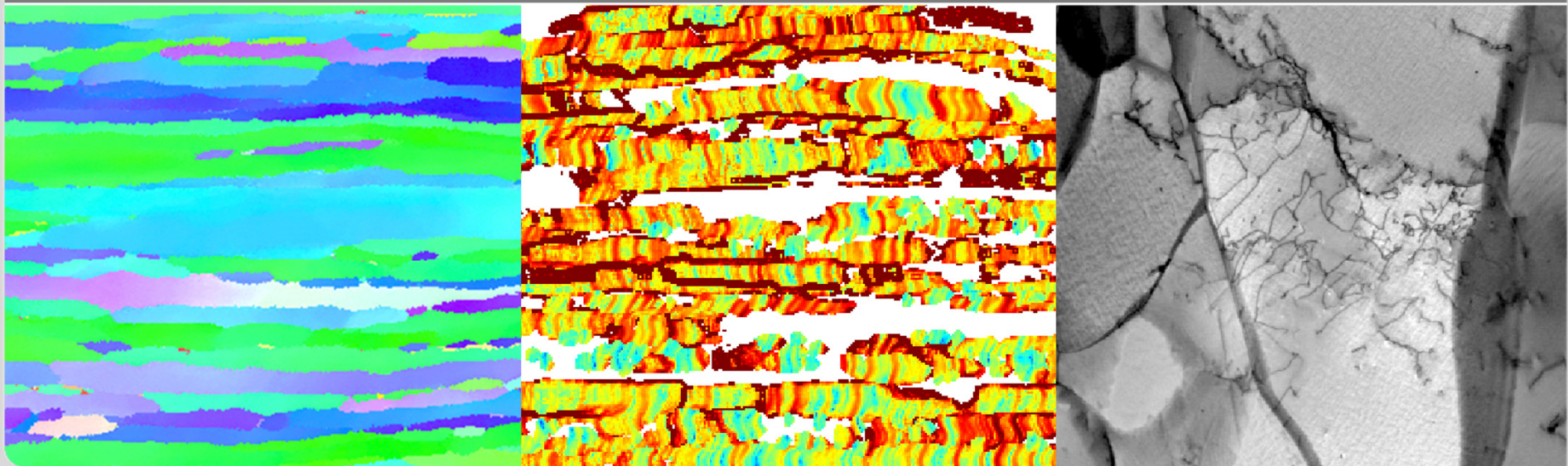


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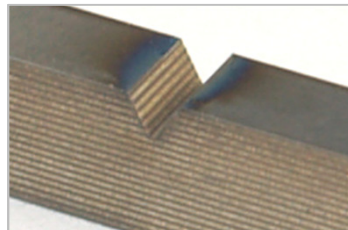


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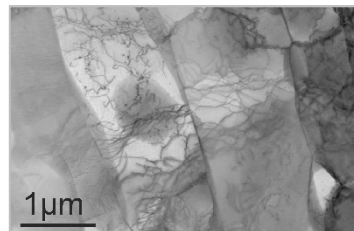
- Structural cooling pipe
- Divertor technology

## Joining technology



- Diffusion, ageing
- Residual stresses
- Dislocation-interface-interaction

## Fundamental research



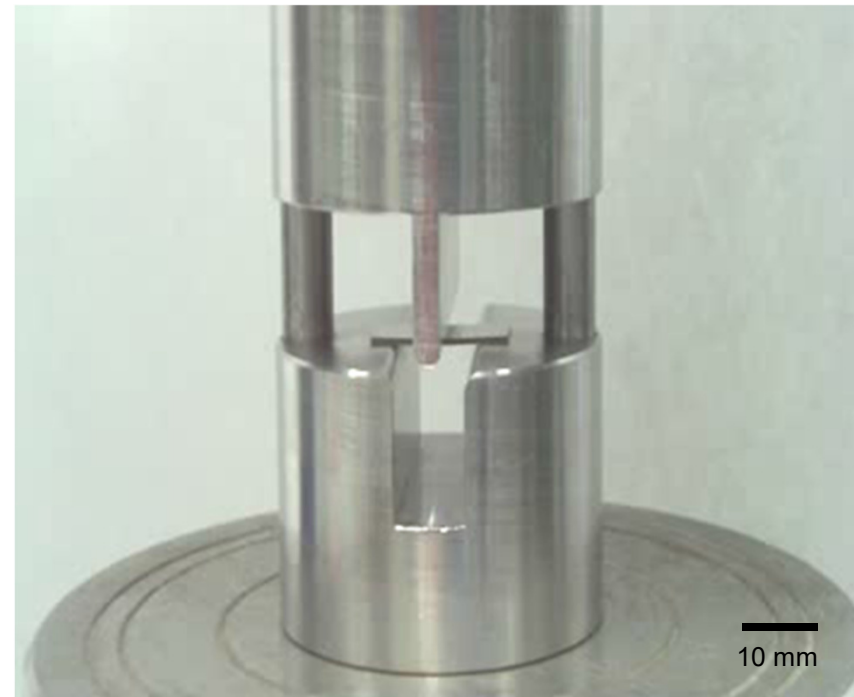
- **Mechanism of plastic deformation**
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# Introduction: cold rolled tungsten sheets

**Hot rolled tungsten**  
Test temperature: RT



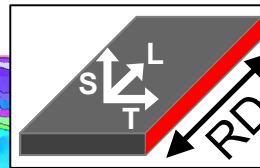
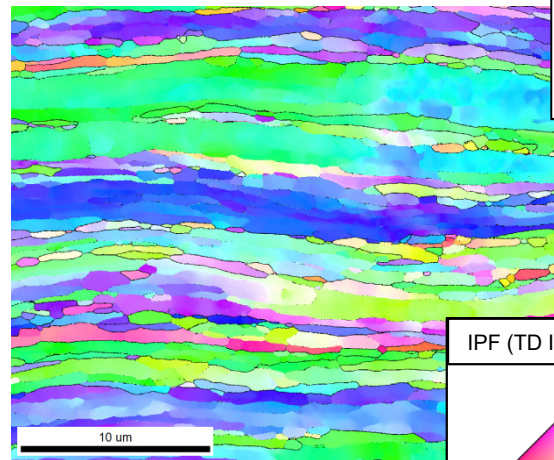
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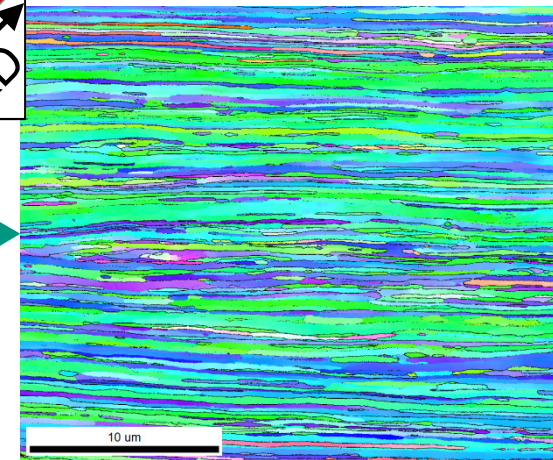
**Why are cold rolled tungsten sheets ductile?**

# Introduction: Microstructure of tungsten sheets

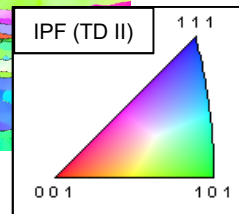
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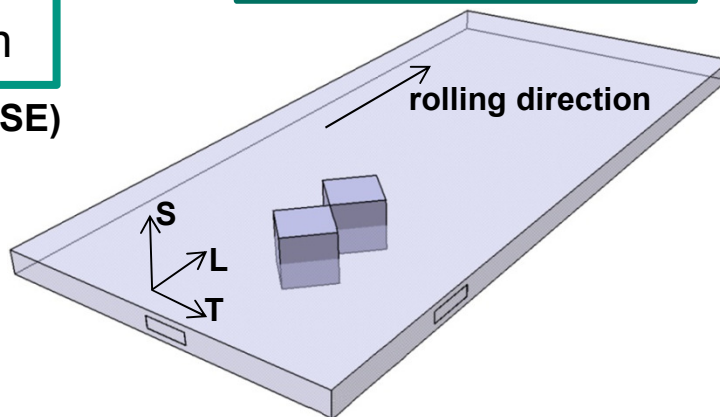
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cold rolling

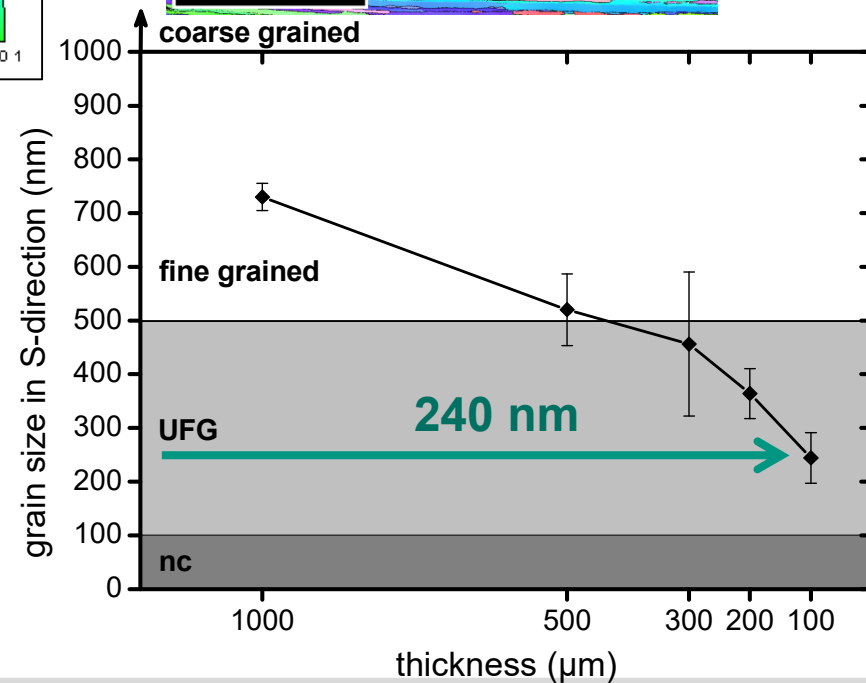


**(001)<110> texture**



- Materials**
- hot rolled
  - ↓ **cr**
  - 1000  $\mu\text{m}$
  - ↓ **cr**
  - 500  $\mu\text{m}$
  - ↓ **cr**
  - 300  $\mu\text{m}$
  - ↓ **cr**
  - 200  $\mu\text{m}$
  - ↓ **cr**
  - 100  $\mu\text{m}$

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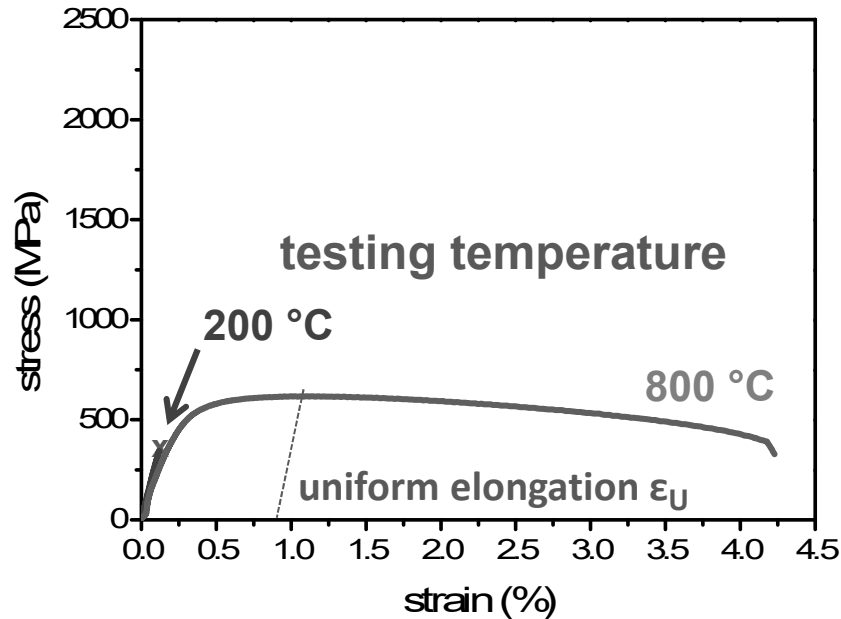
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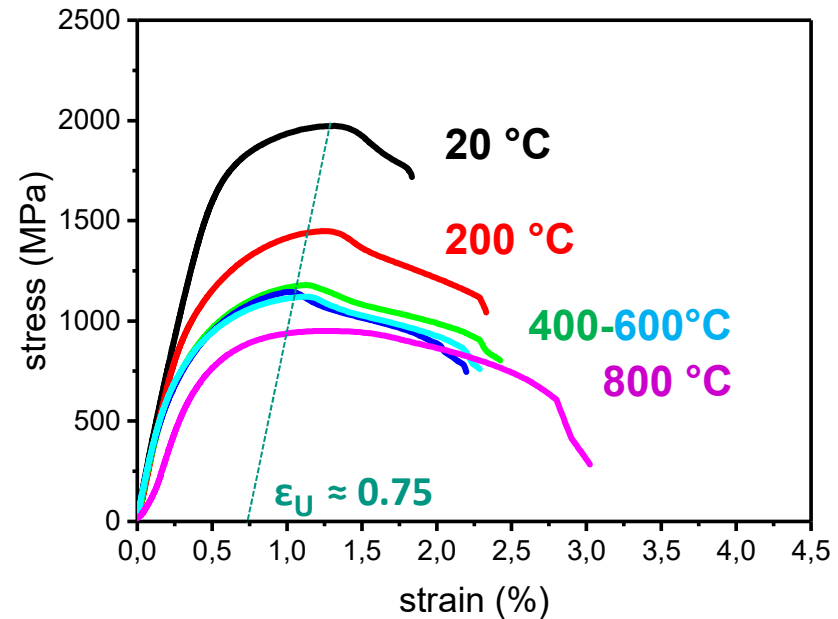
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# Tensile ductility

## hot rolled



## cold rolled - 300 $\mu\text{m}$ thick ( $\Phi = 2.9$ )

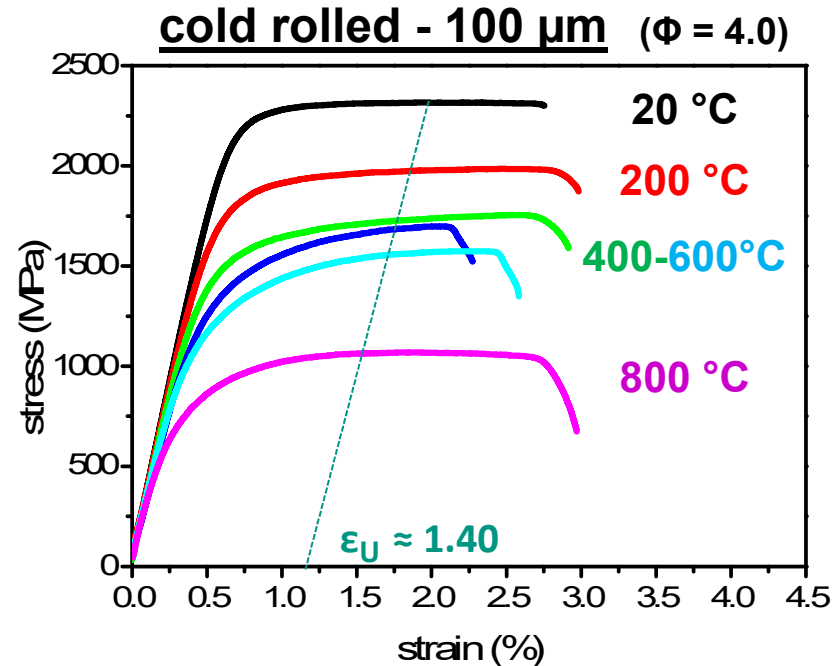
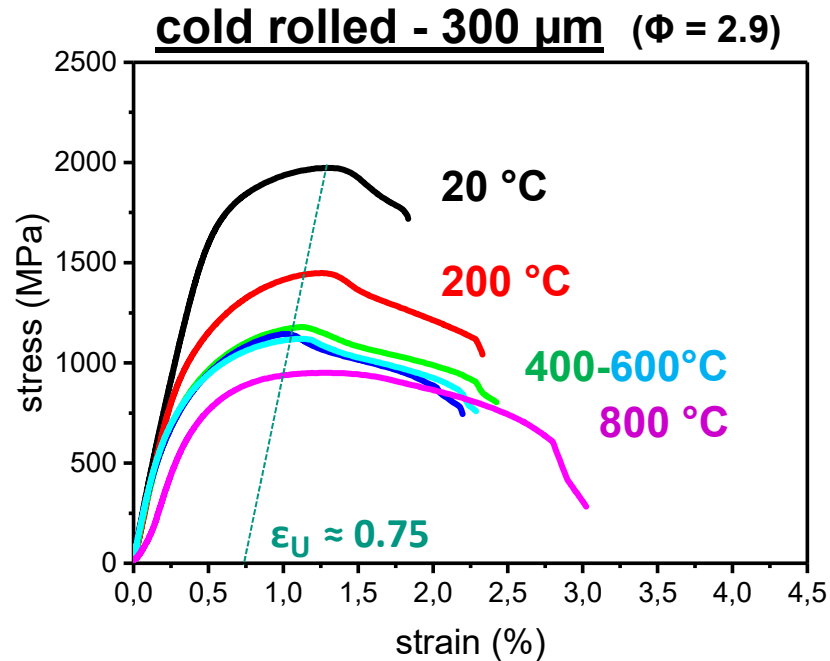


Cold rolling:

- Increased strength at all testing temperatures
- Room temperature ductility



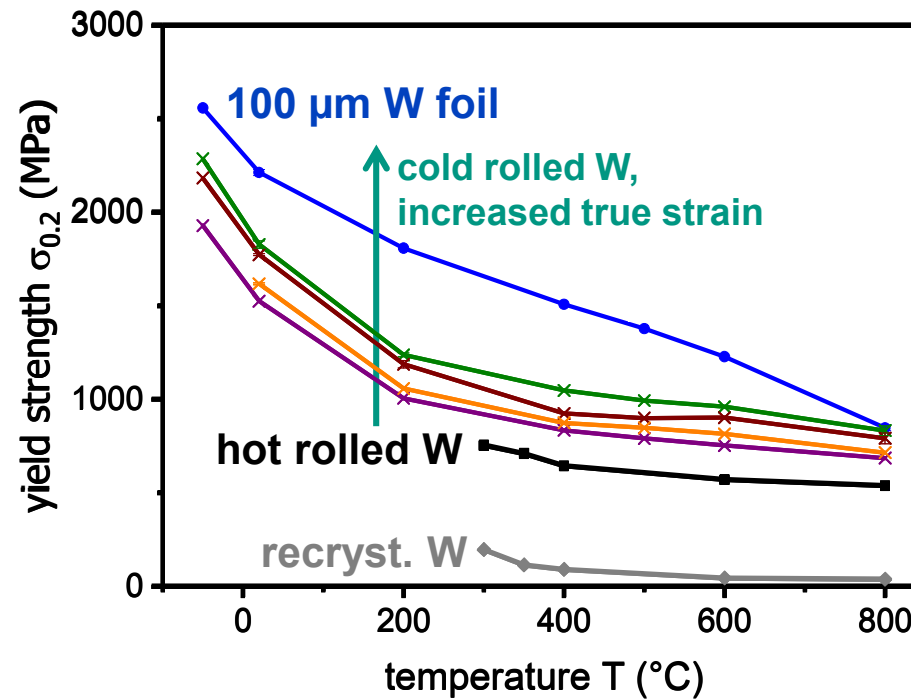
# Tensile tests



Increased cold rolling:

- Further increased strength and room temperature ductility
- Fast hardening & plateau for **100  $\mu\text{m}$  foil** (independent of  $T_{test}$ )  
→ **Change in deformation mechanisms!**

# Mechanical properties: yield strength over T



- Cold rolling: significant increase of  $\sigma_{p0.2}$
- Decreasing  $\sigma_{p0.2}$  with increasing T  
→ **Screw dislocation still dominant!**
- 100 μm foil: atypical behaviour

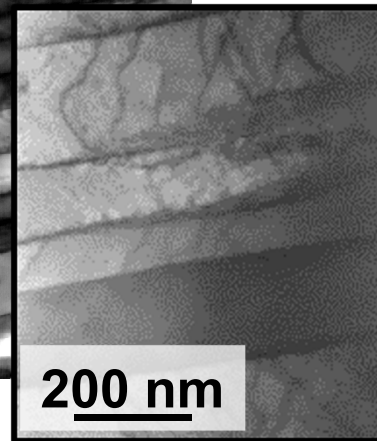
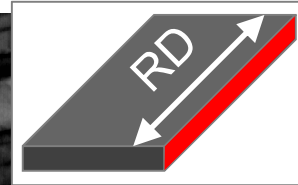
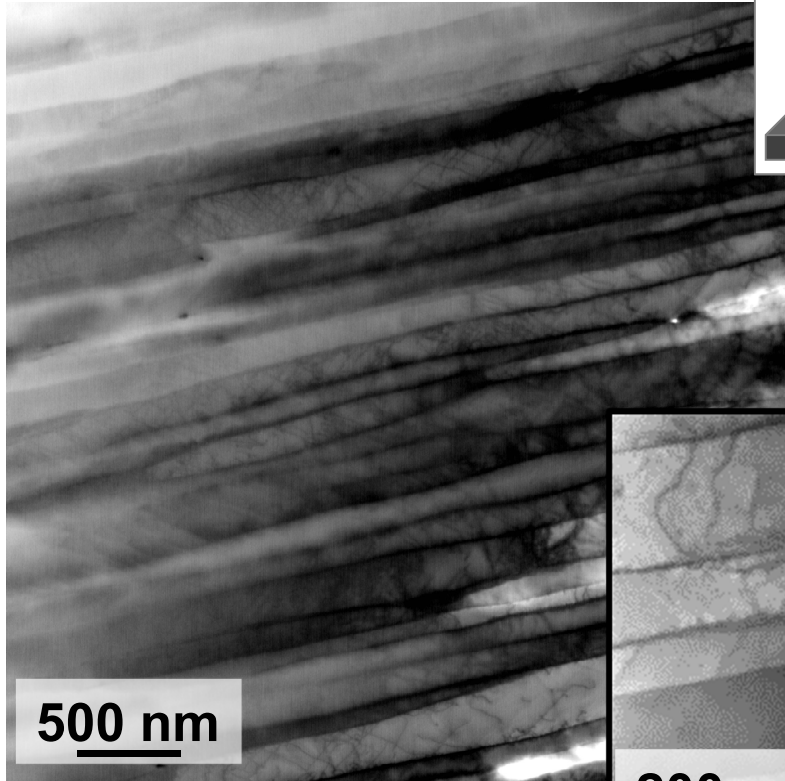
# Imaging of dislocations in tungsten

TEM

100  $\mu\text{m}$  foil

HR-EBSD

GND density  
[ $10^8\text{m}^{-2}$ ]



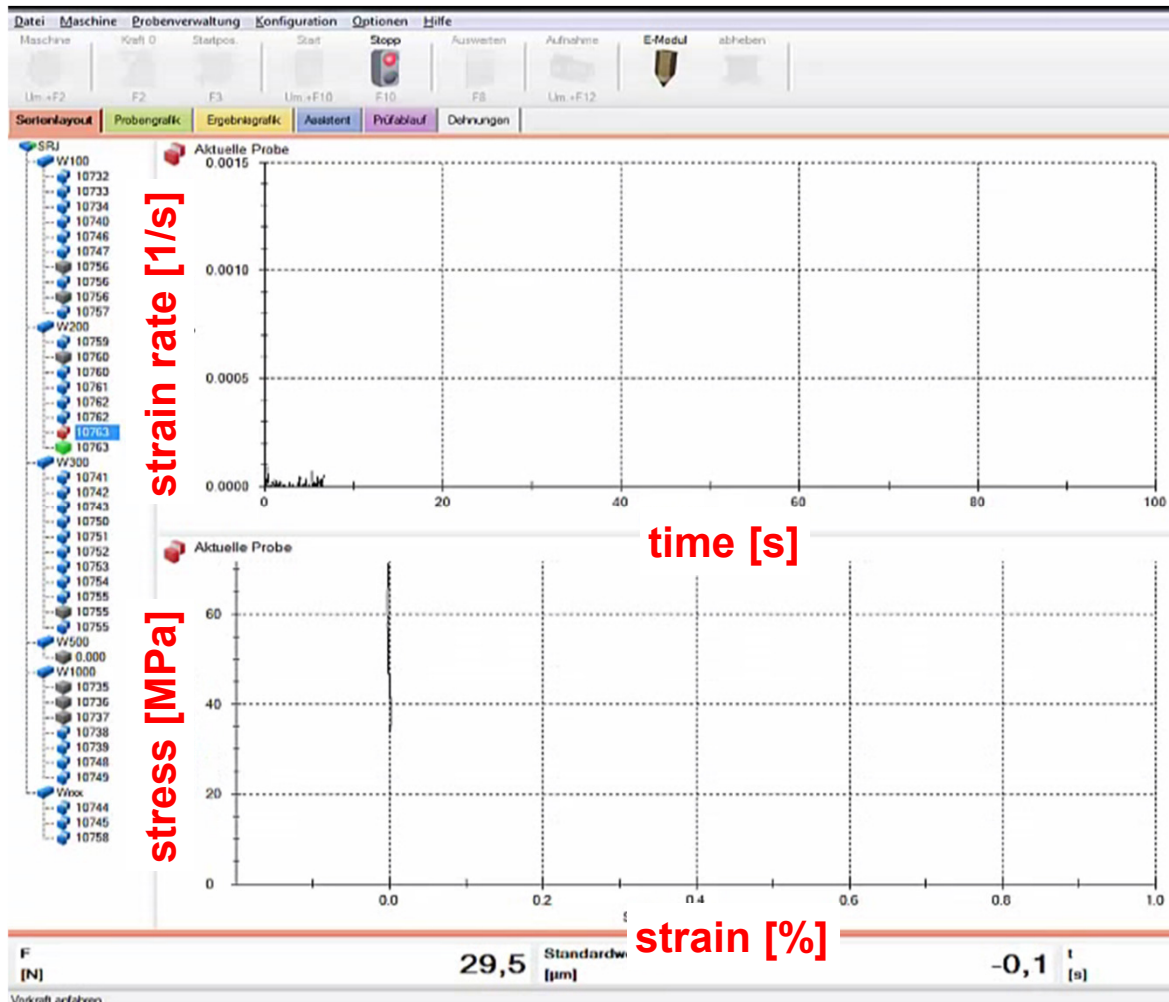
6  $\mu\text{m}$

2  $\mu\text{m}$

**Hypothesis to enhanced uniform elongation without Taylor hardening**

Ordered glide of screw dislocations that move along HAGBs channels

# Strain rate jump tests: procedure



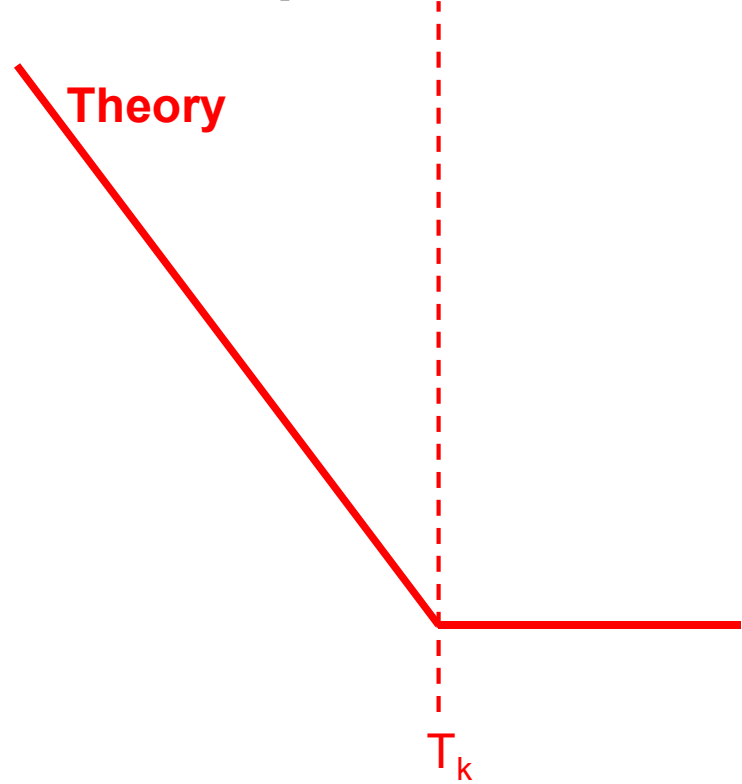
## Strain rate sensitivity measurement

- Jump during tensile test (constant conditions)  
 $10^{-3} \text{ 1/s} \leftrightarrow 10^{-4} \text{ 1/s}$
- Strain-controlled testing
- Jumps @  $\epsilon_{pl} = \text{const.}$
- Temperature range:  
 $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C} - 800 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

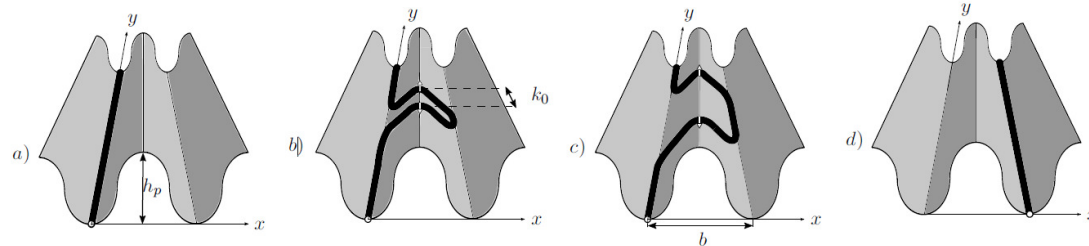
## Strain rate sensitivity

$$m = \left( \frac{\Delta \ln \sigma^*}{\Delta \ln \dot{\epsilon}} \right)_{T, \epsilon_{pl}}$$

# Strain rate sensitivity: low temperature behaviour



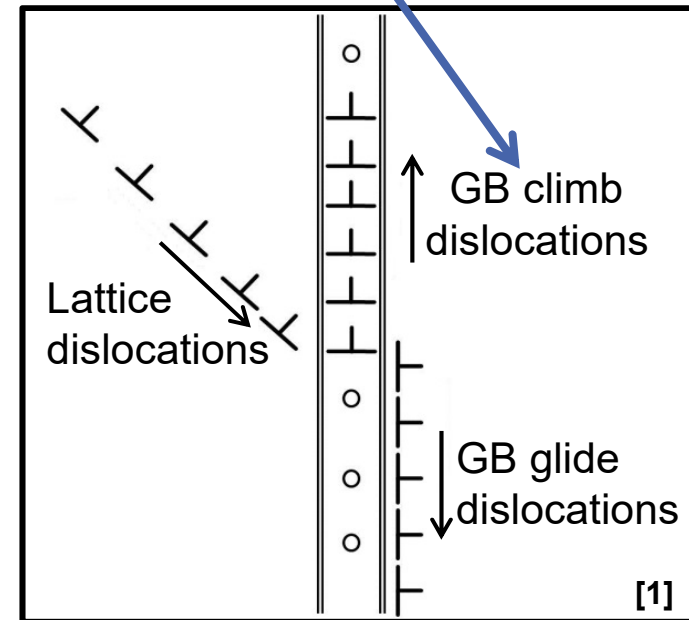
Kink pair mechanism:



**Screw dislocations dominant at low temperatures**

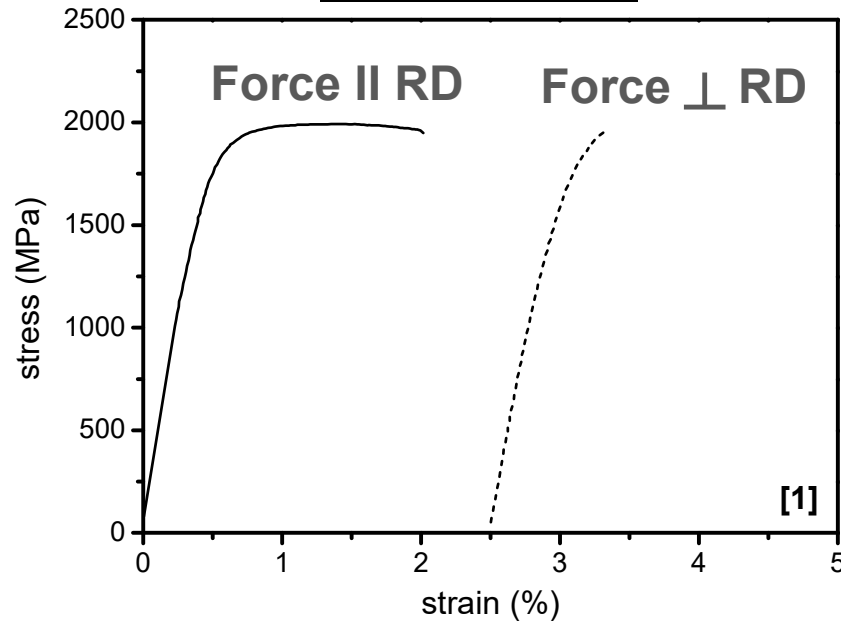
# Strain rate sensitivity: high temperature behaviour

diffusion controlled!

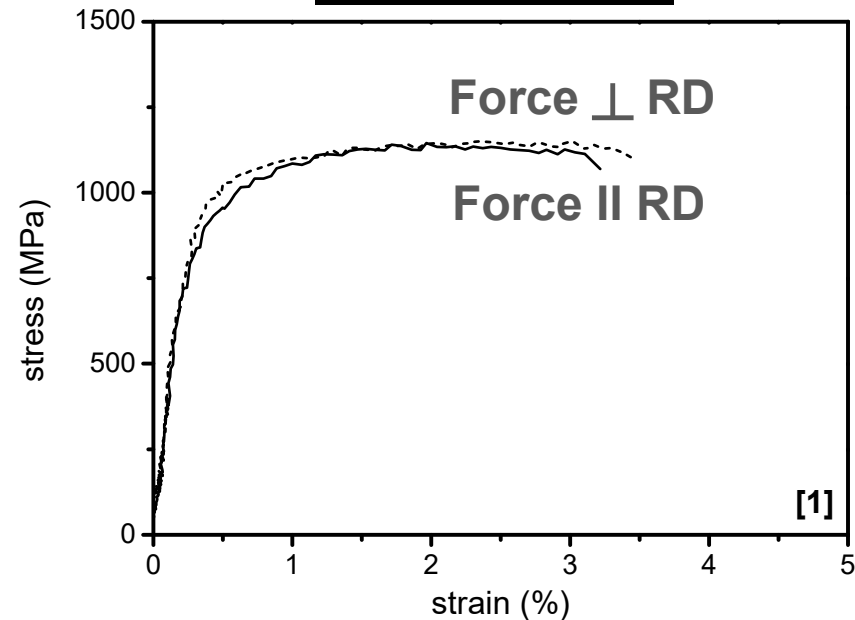


# Strain rate sensitivity: technical importance

100  $\mu\text{m}$  foil  
- test at 20°C -



100  $\mu\text{m}$  foil  
- test at 600°C -



- Low temperatures: Anisotropic deformation behavior under tensile load
- Temperatures  $> T_K$ : Similar tensile behavior in RD and perpendicular to RD
  - Anisotropic deformation behavior under tensile load diminishes
  - Attributed to the change in grain boundary – dislocation interaction

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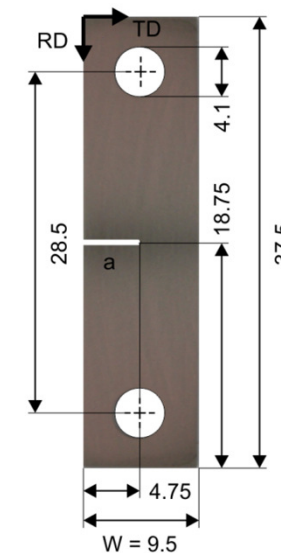
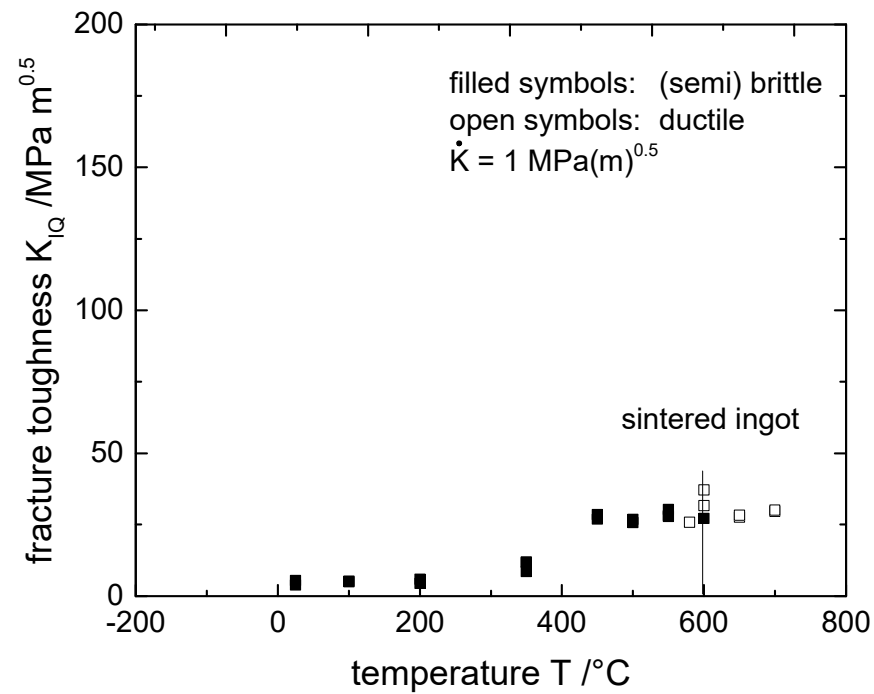
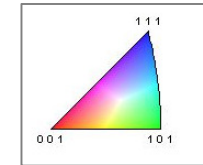
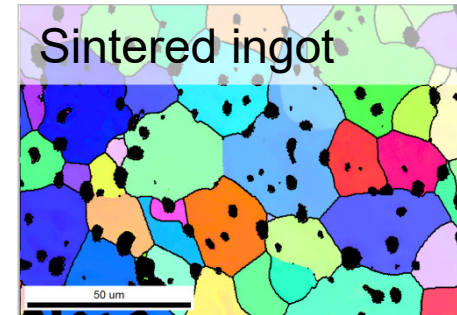
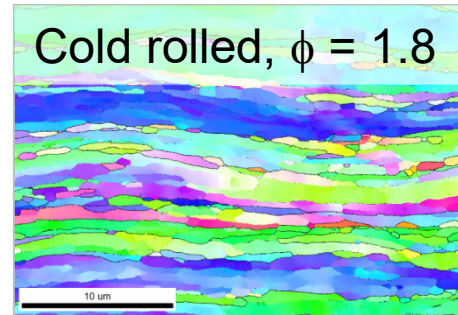
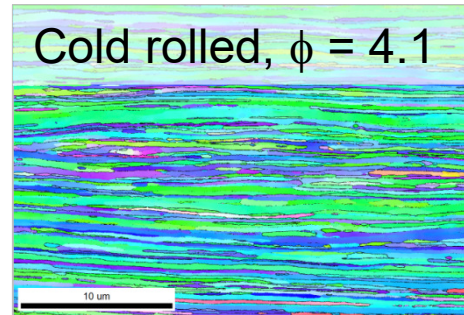
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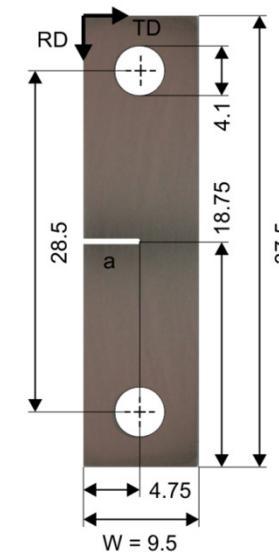
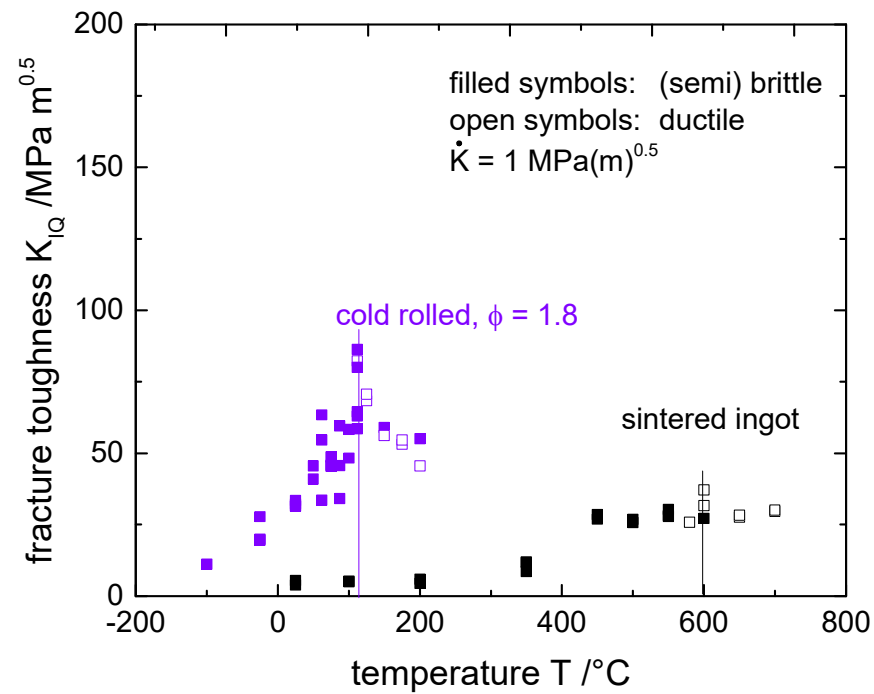
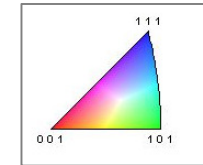
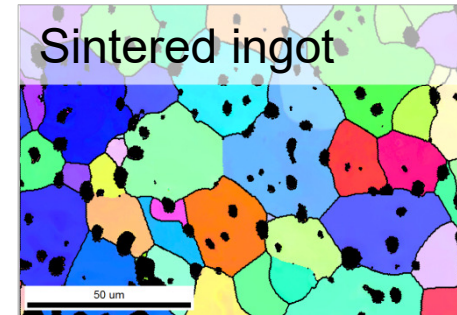
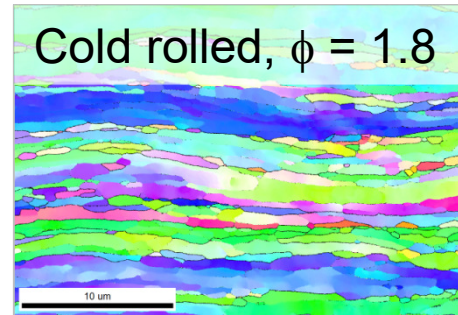
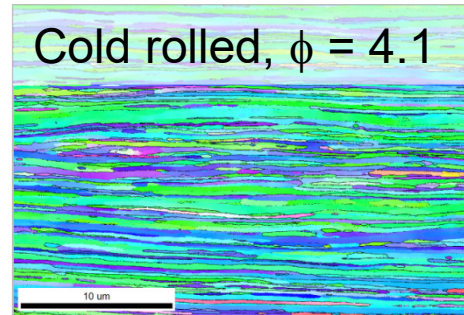


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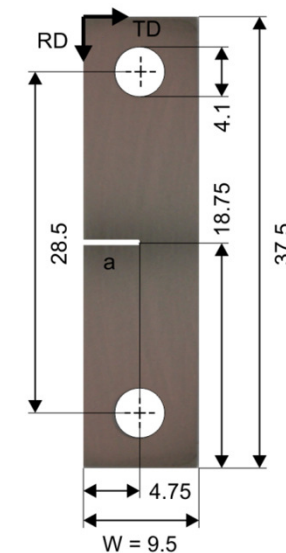
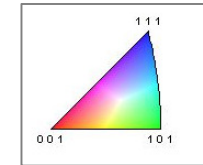
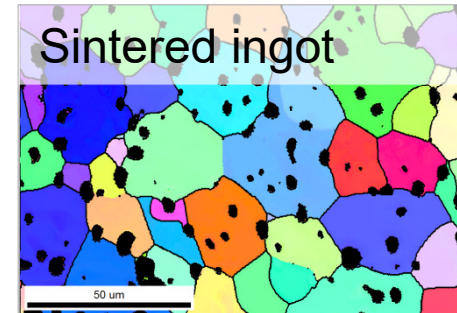
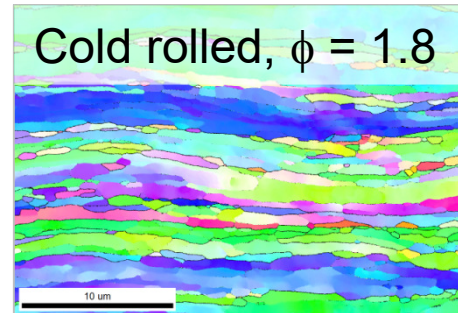
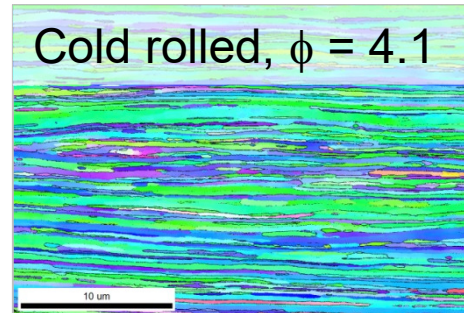
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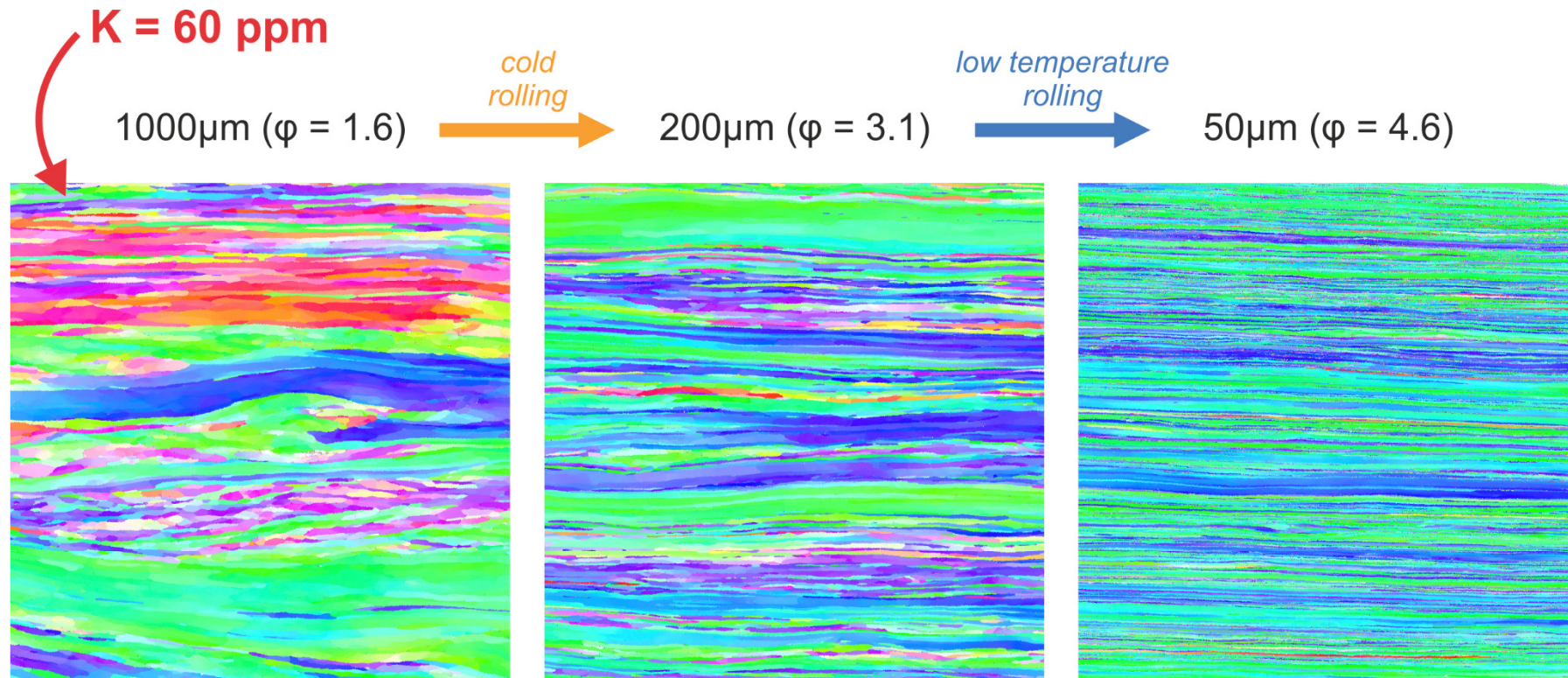
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# Thermal stabilization of UFG microstructure



10  $\mu\text{m}$

**Production of K-doped tungsten sheets**

**→ Thermal stabilization by grain boundary pinning**



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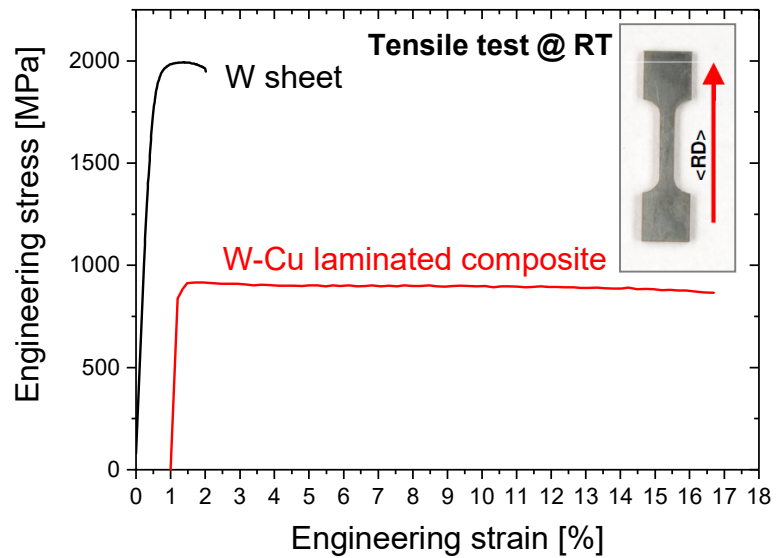
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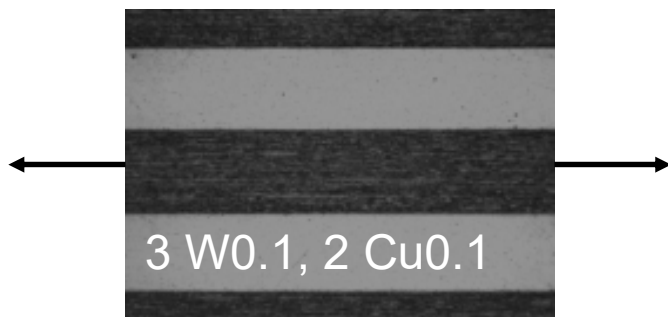
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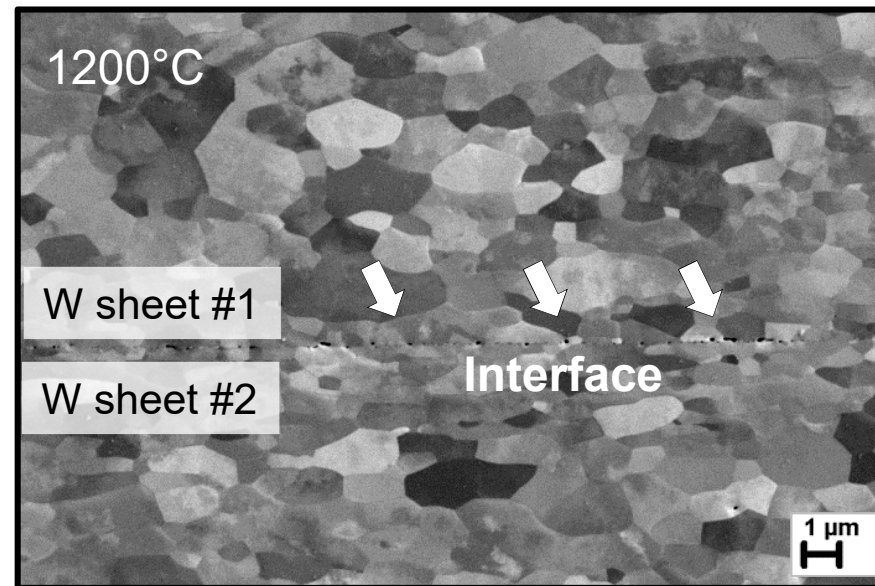
## W-Cu



[L. Garrison et al. (2016)]



## W-W



W-W laminated composite  
1 x 3 x 27 mm<sup>3</sup>  
Charpy impact test at 300°C



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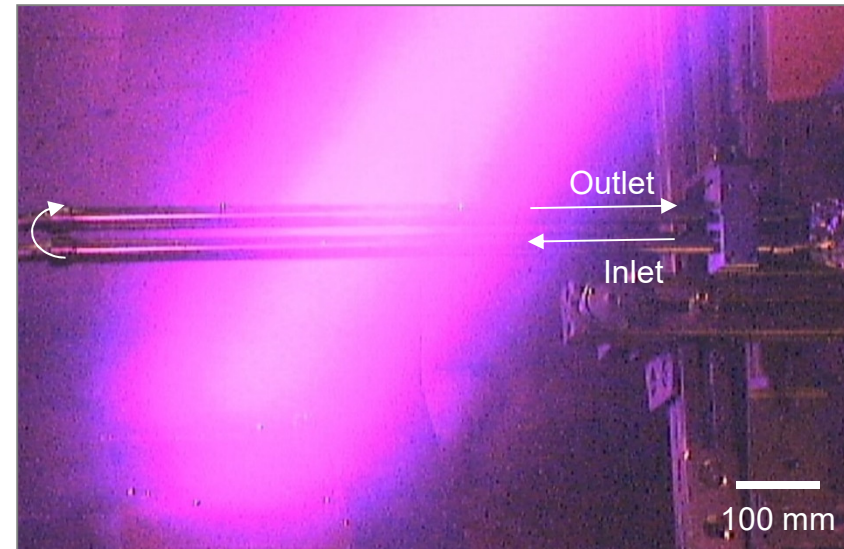


# Application: mock-ups ready for testing

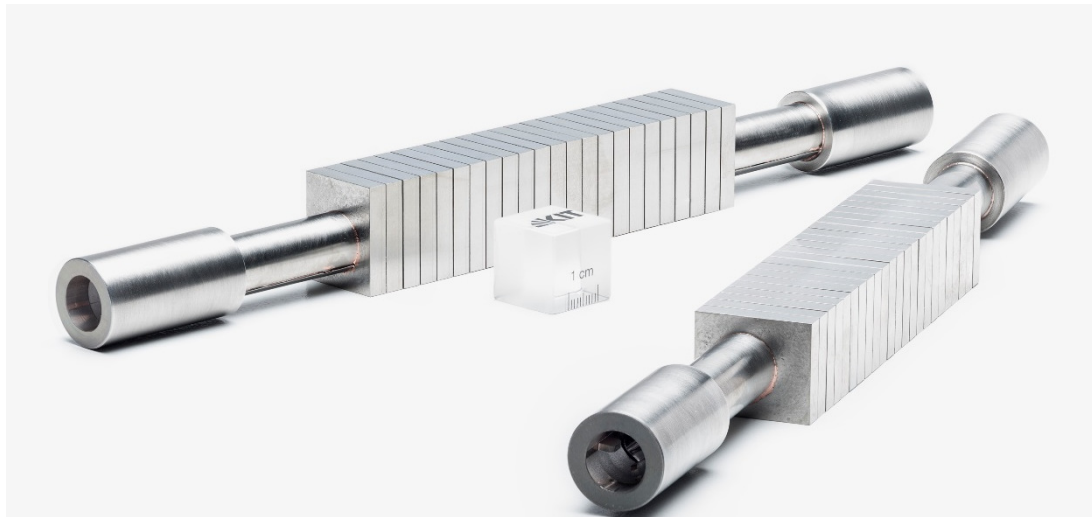
## W-Cu Laminate Pipes L = 1 m



## HHF test for Divertor Component



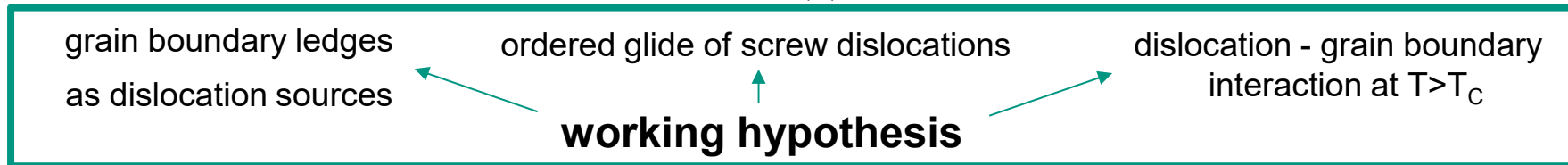
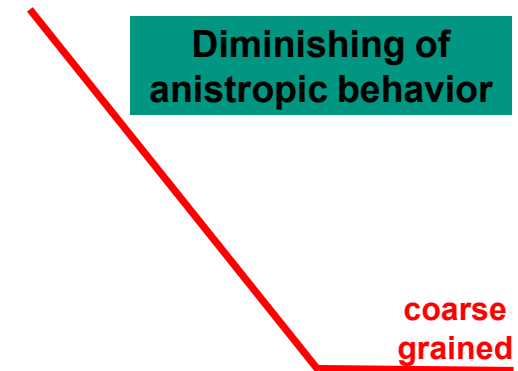
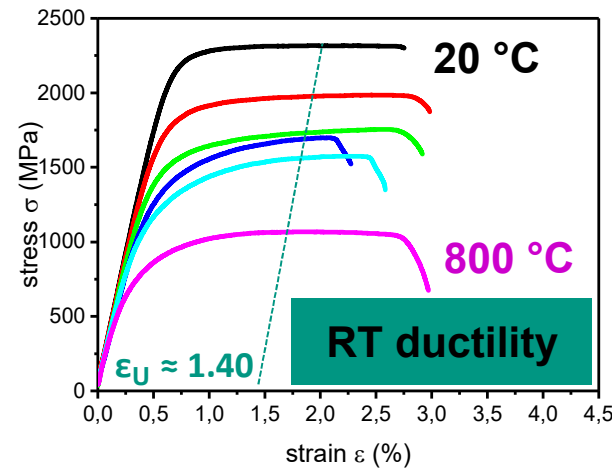
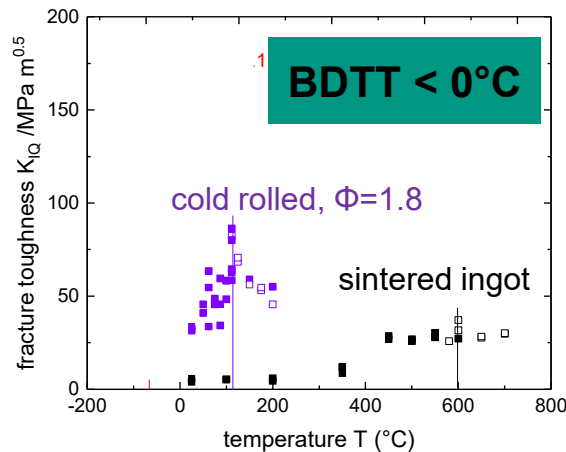
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## W-Cu Laminate Pipes + Tungsten Monoblocks

# Highlights

## Cold rolled UFG tungsten: enhanced properties



- New batch of cold rolled K-doped tungsten with ( $\Phi = 4.7, 50 \mu\text{m}$  thin)
- Large scale production of W-laminate pipes
- Development of W-W laminates



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