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CHANGES YOU MAKE TO SOCIETY,  
NOT YOUR BANK ACCOUNT."**

*- James van der Walt*

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# Contributions

- Classroom and lecture / Invited lectures
- Senior projects
- Master and PhD projects
- Industrial Collaboration
- Spin-off

# Boonrat Lohwongwatana

Ph.D. Materials, California Institute of Technology

B.S. Materials Engineering, Northwestern University

Liquidmetal - Startup → IPO 2002 (NASDAQ)

Questek Innovations – Startup M&A by Apple '12

Thailand's Young *Technologist* Award

Thailand's Young *Metallurgist* Award

20+ awards for **research & innovation**

10+ IP applications / 4 licensing



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MAY 5-8, 2015 - DANANG, VIETNAM



# Advisors



Charles Kuehmann and Greg Olson

“Elon Musk hires Apple’s alloy expert to lead materials engineering at both Tesla and SpaceX” - The Wall Street Journal, December 2015.

Charlie Kuehmann

2012 Director of Product Design, Apple

2016 VP of Materials Engineering @ Tesla and SpaceX

# Advisors

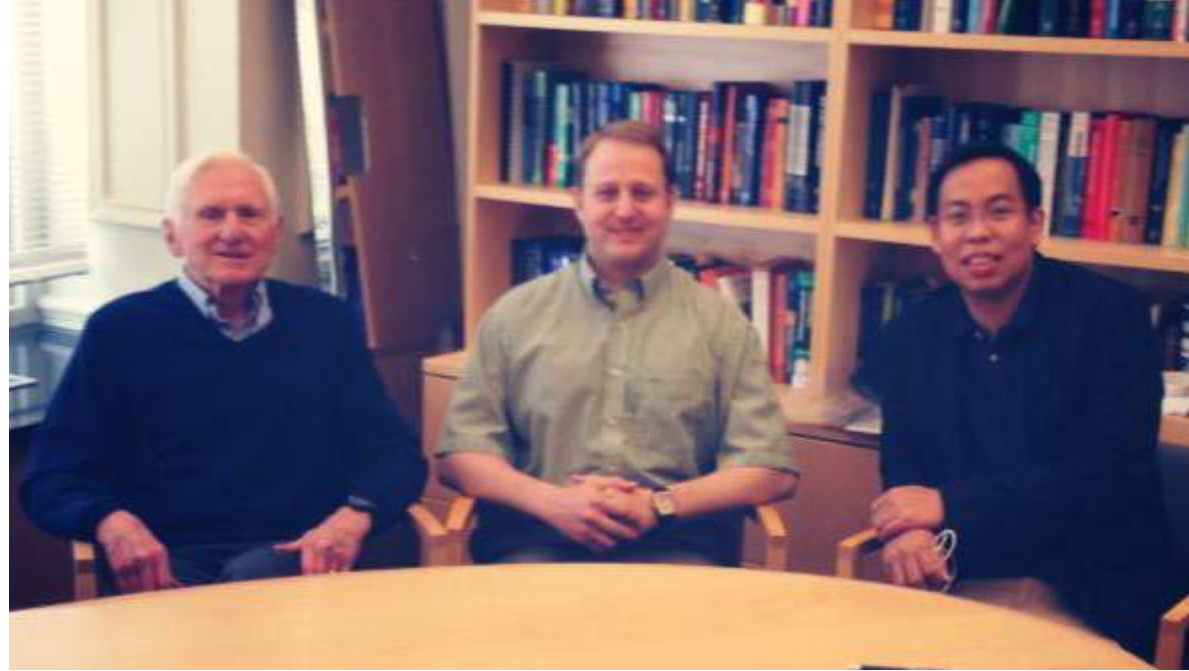


Charles Kuehmann and Greg Olson

Prof. Gregory B. Olson

“**Father of Materials Design**” by the American  
Academy of Arts and Sciences.

# Advisors



Prof. Flemmings and Prof Schuh

## MIT

Developer of “Hard tech” – based on materials and processes

# Advisors

Oxford Innovation & NEWTON FUND

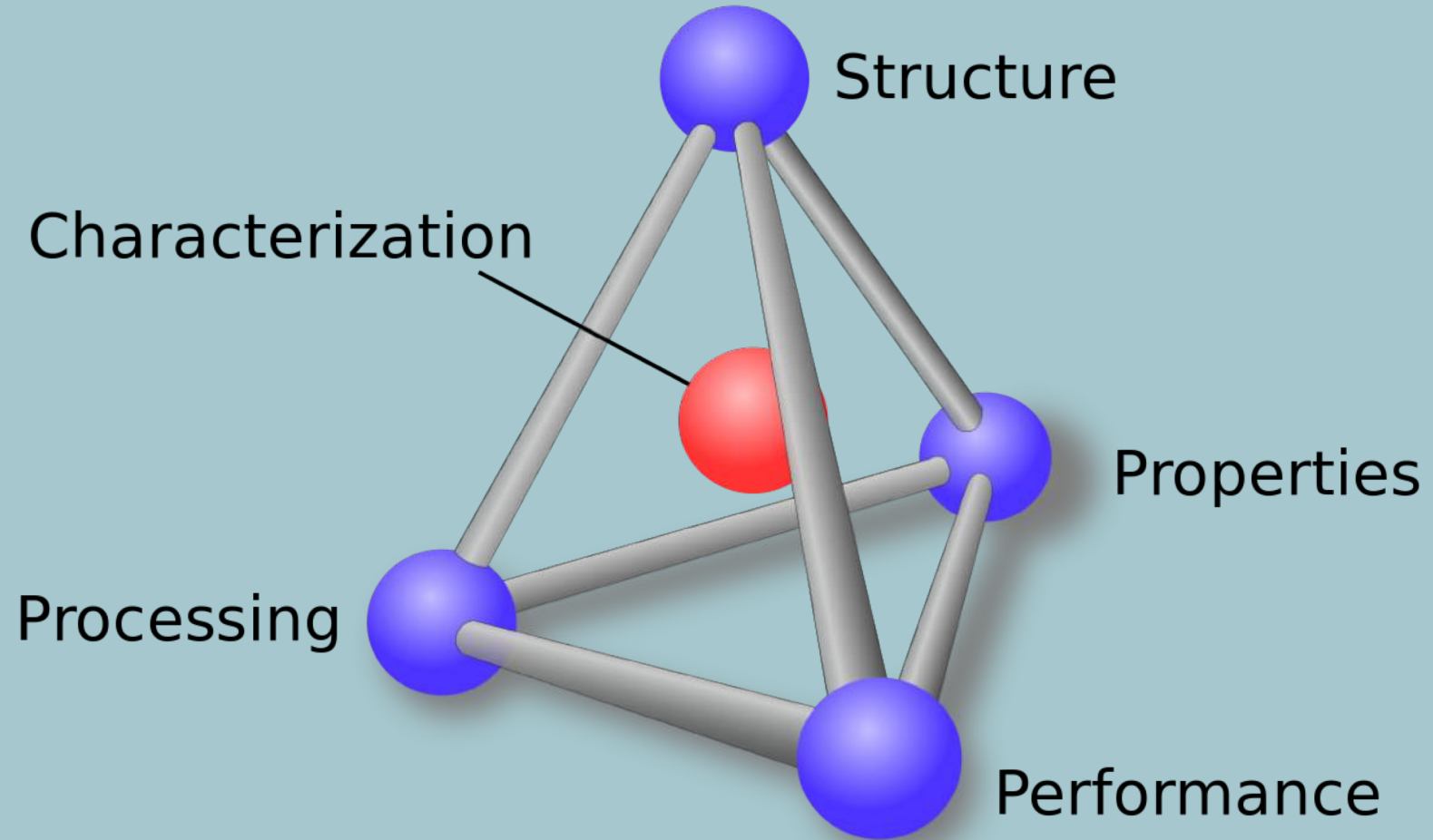
David Falzani

Royal Academy of Engineering UK





# Understanding how material behaves:



# 2141303 Materials Characterization

Nano Engineering

Materials Engineering

Metallurgical Engineering

- Optical microscopy,
- Scanning probe microscopy (SPM),
- Field emission scanning electron microscopy (FESEM),
- Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and Scanning TEM (STEM)
- Focused ion beam (FIB)
- Energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS)
- Wavelength Dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (WDS)
- Electron Probe Micro Analysis (EPMA)
- X-ray reflectivity and total reflection X-ray fluorescence, Auger electron spectroscopy (AES)
- X-Ray Photoelectron Spectrometry (XPS)
- Secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS)
- Surface secondary ion mass spectrometry extended profile (Surface SIMS XP)
- Time of flight secondary ion mass spectrometry (TOF SIMS)
- LC-MS, GC-MS, IR, FTIR
- Atomic Probe
- **Synchrotron techniques**

Basic  
Characterization

Scanning  
Electron  
Microscopy

Differential  
Scanning  
Calorimetry  
(DSC)

Electron  
Backscatter  
Diffraction

Energy  
Dispersive  
Spectrometer

X-ray  
Diffraction

Thermo  
Mechanical  
Analysis

**Basic**  
Characterization

Scanning  
Electron  
Microscopy

Transmission  
Electron  
Microscopy  
(TEM)

Differential  
Scanning  
Calorimetry  
(DSC)

X-ray  
Photoelectron  
Spectroscopy

Electron  
Backscatter  
Diffraction

X-ray  
Absorption  
Spectroscopy

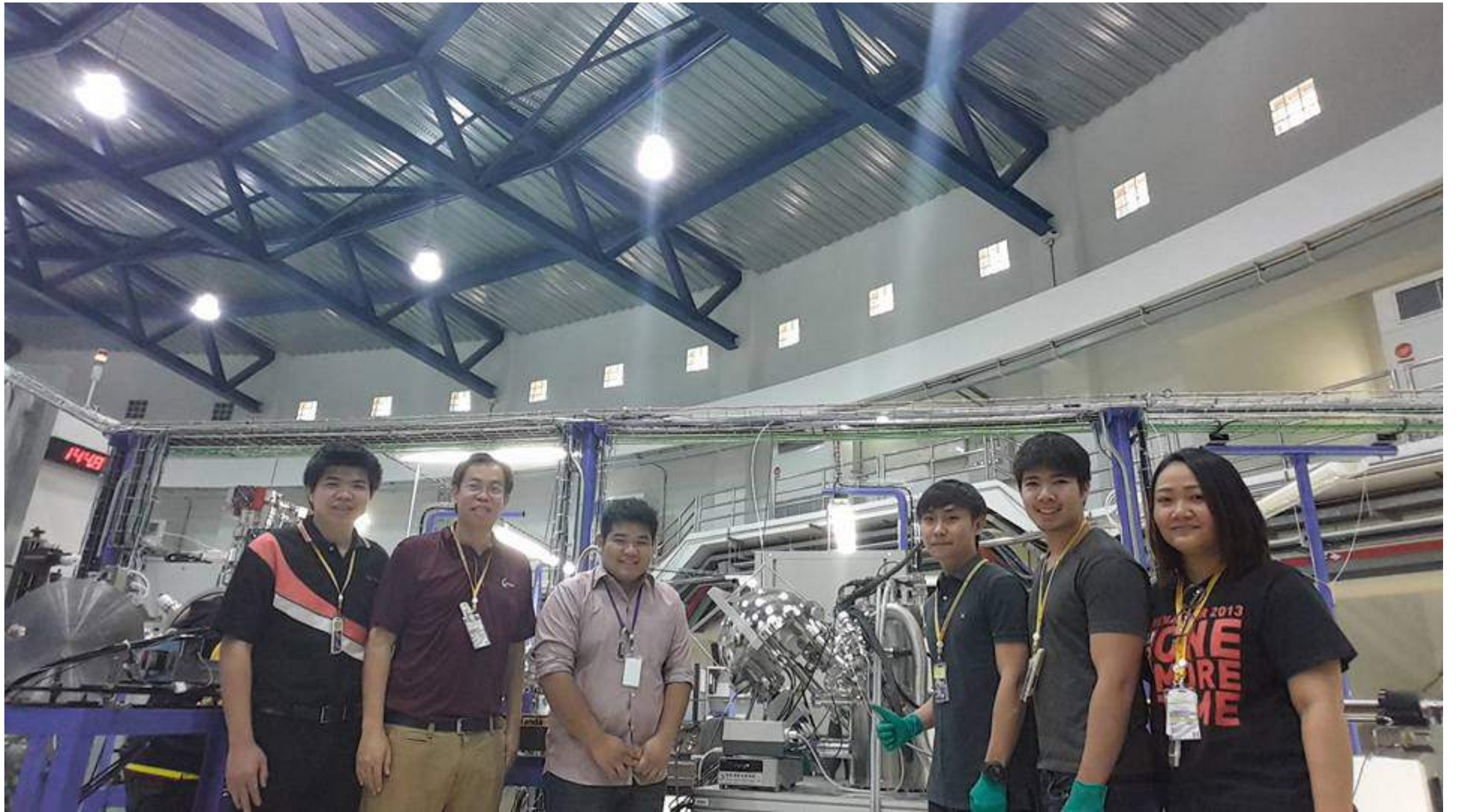
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Tomography

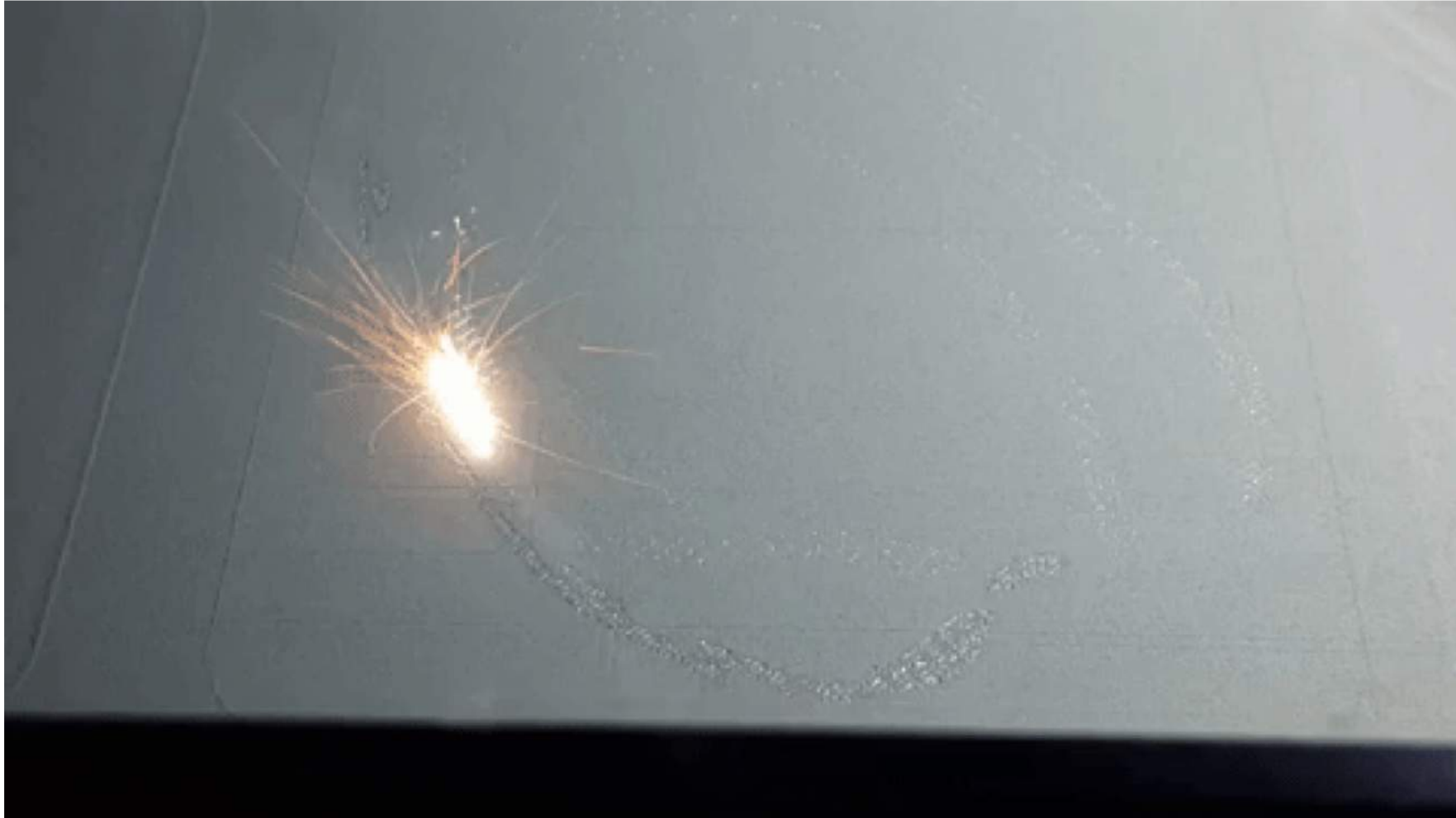
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**Advanced**  
Characterization

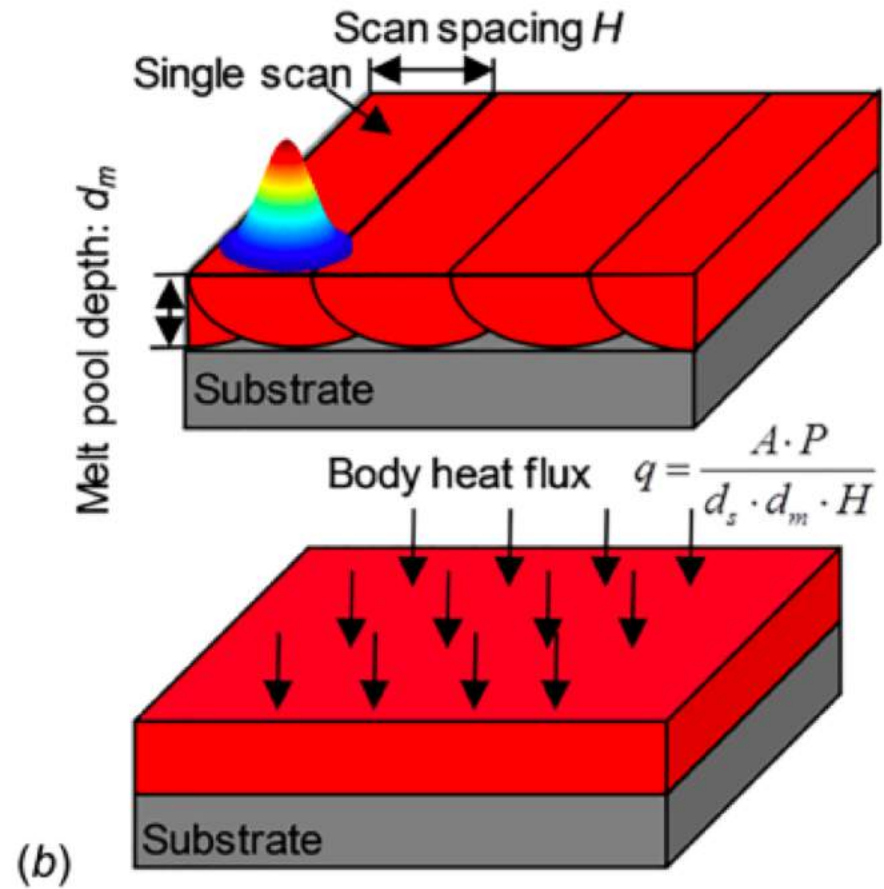
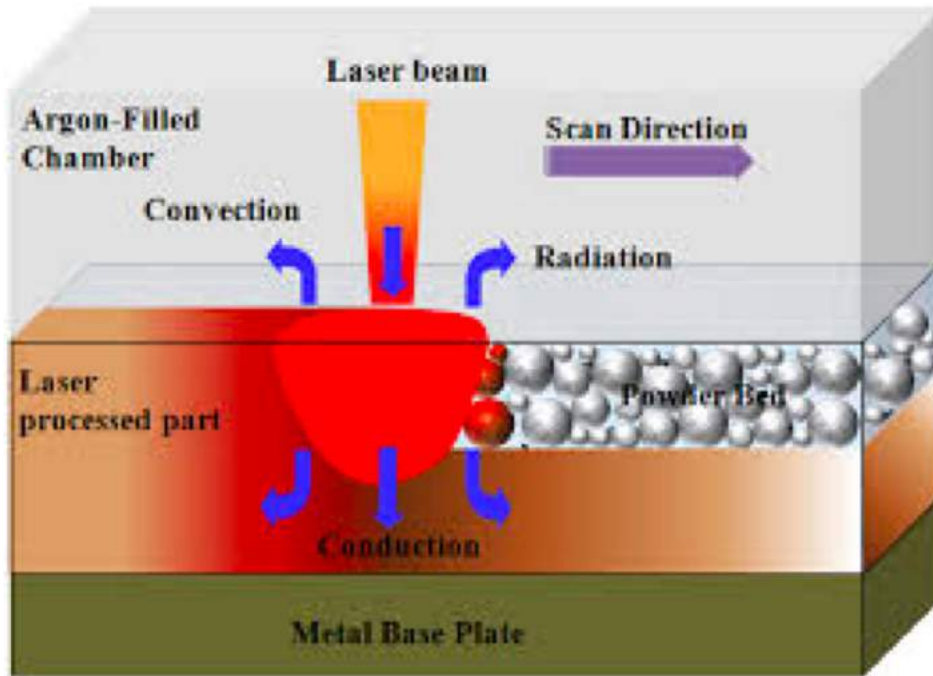


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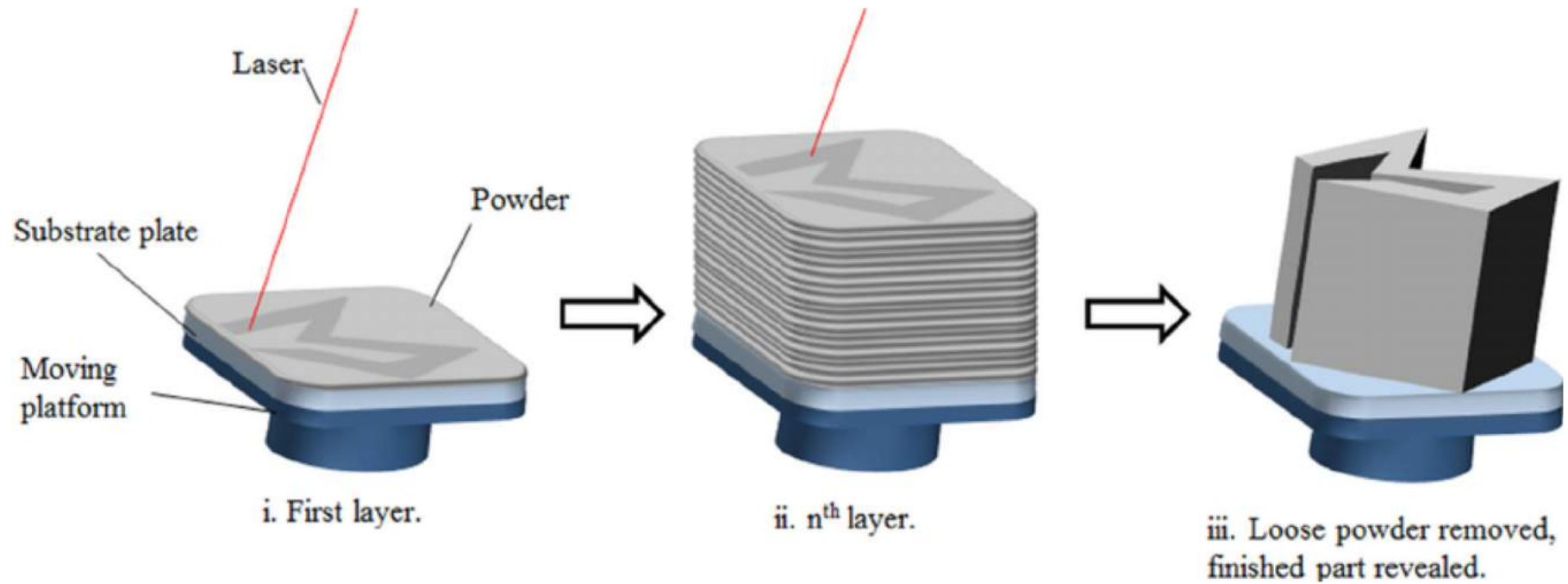
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# State-of-the-Art Powder bed fusion



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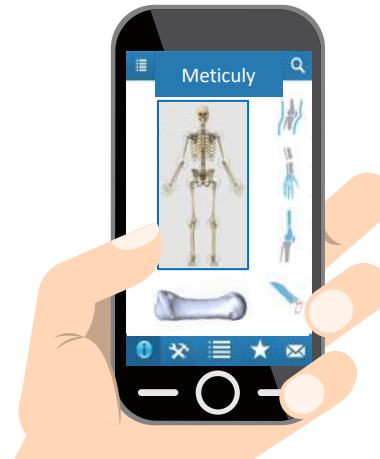
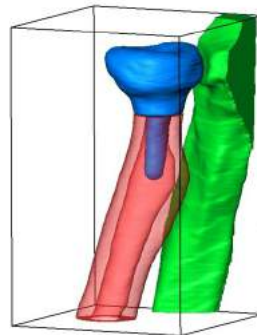
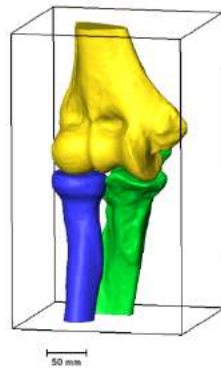
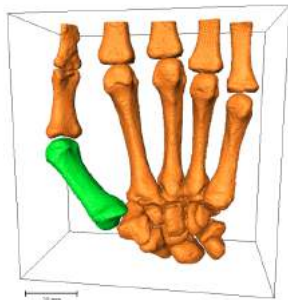
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# Customised Titanium Implant using 3D Printing

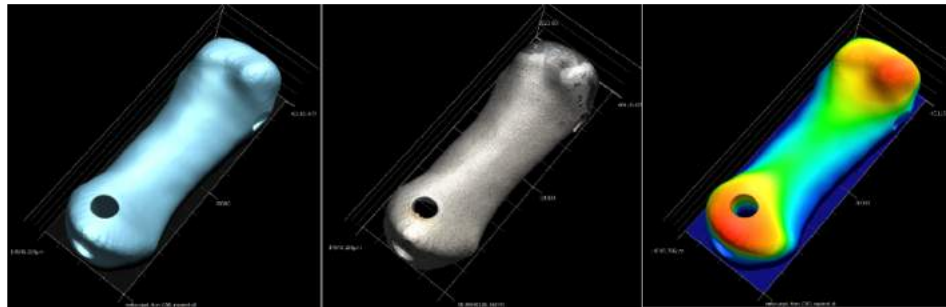


Each titanium implant is specifically designed based on the patient's CT scan to match precisely to the 3D model of the bone. Then the model is checked for biomechanics and finally created using 3D printing technology.

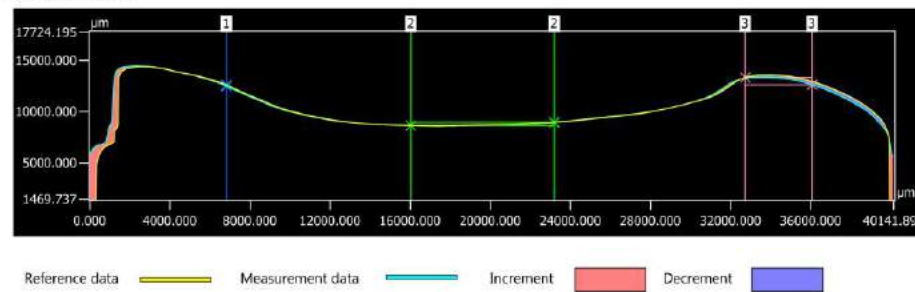


# Quality control

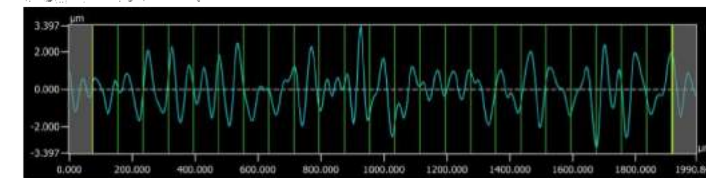
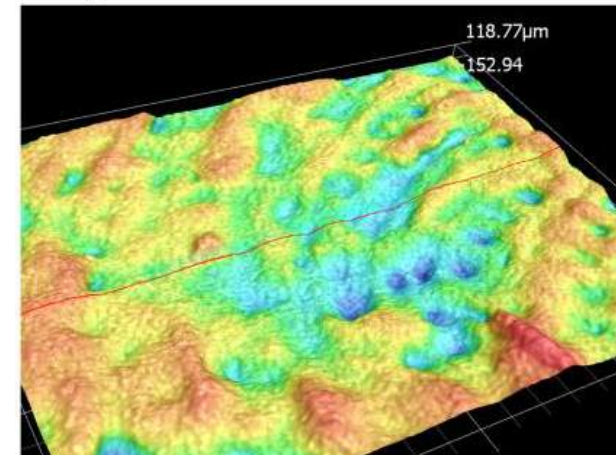
- Dimension accuracy



Comparative profile



- Surface Roughness



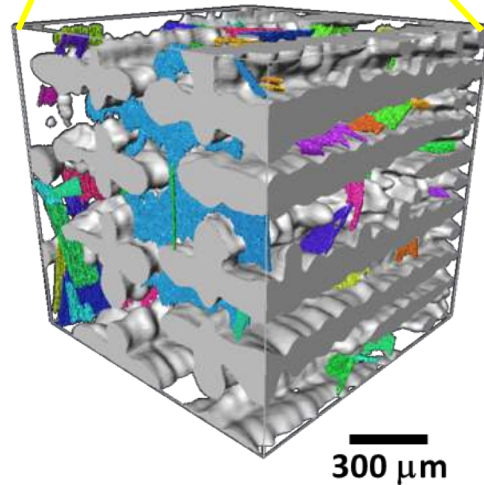
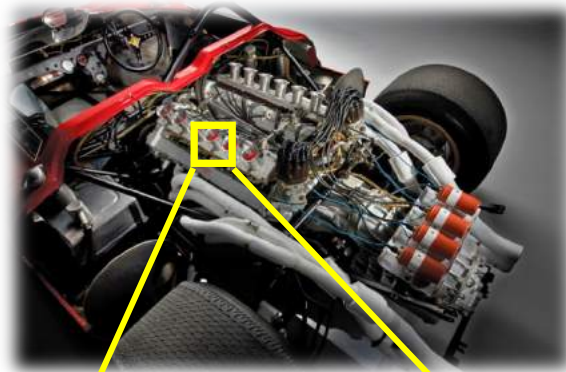
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# Industrial Research

# Characterisation of internal structures via 3D imaging

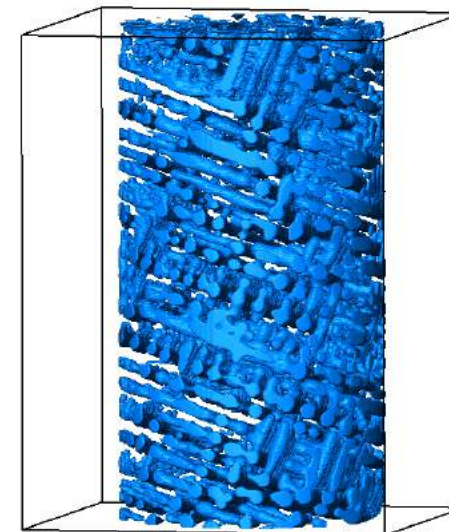
## Aluminium alloys

for automotive components



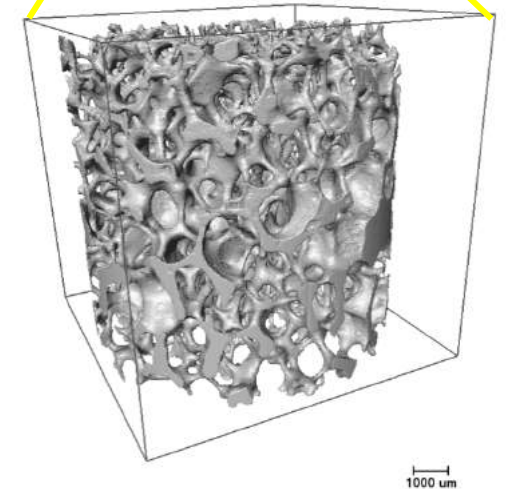
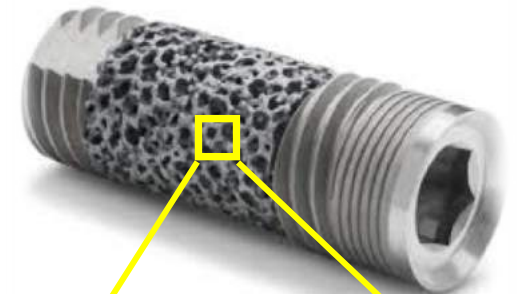
## Nickel alloys

for high-temperature applications



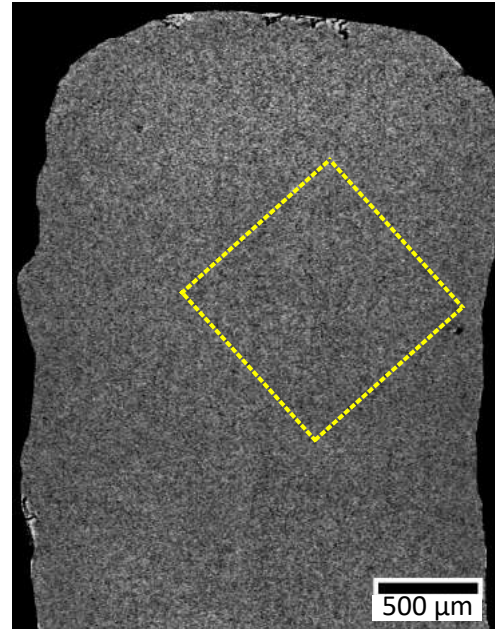
## Titanium alloys

for medical implants

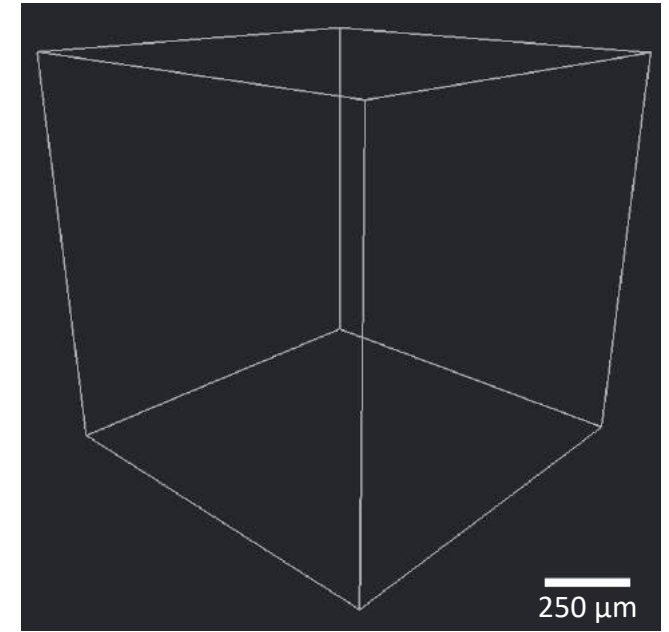


# Combining experimental observation with numerical simulation to better understand casting defect

Real-time observation during solidification of Al-Si-Cu alloys

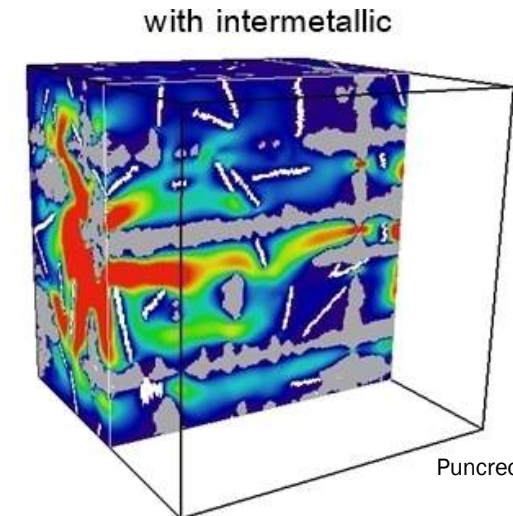
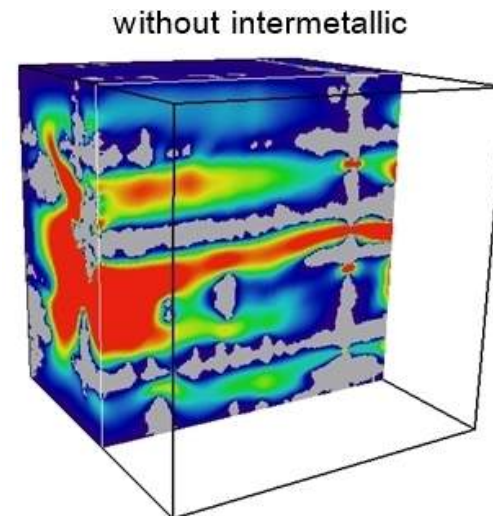


Cross-sectional Microstructure



Rendered 3D Structures

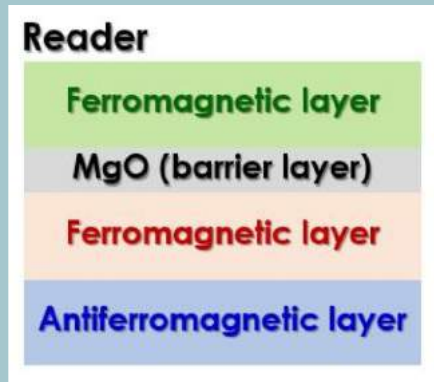
3D Imaging + CFD modelling



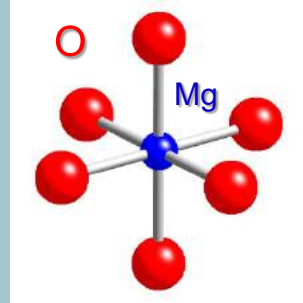
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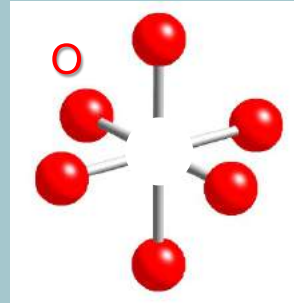
# Effect of Mg vacancy on magnetic properties of MgO



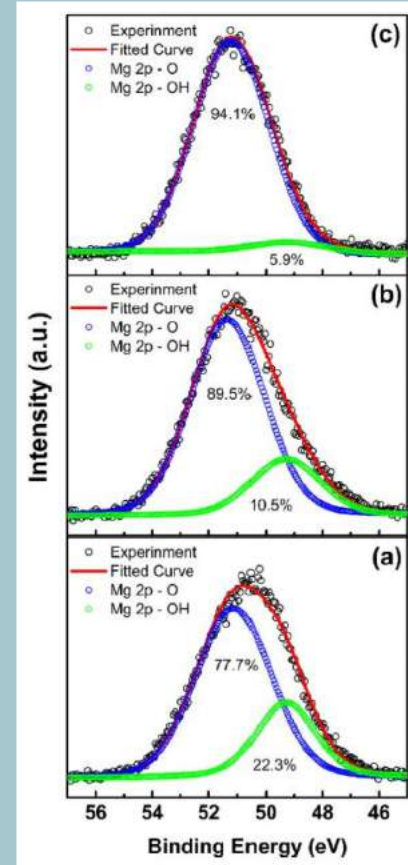
Diamagnetic



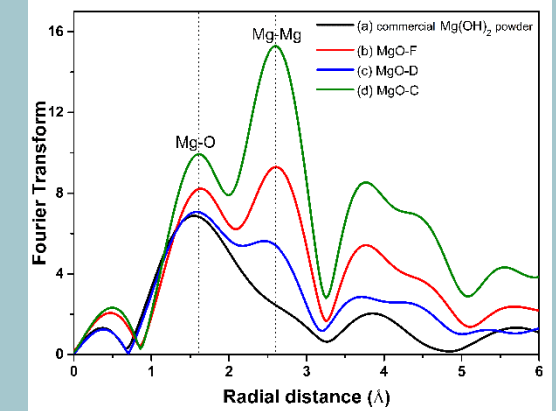
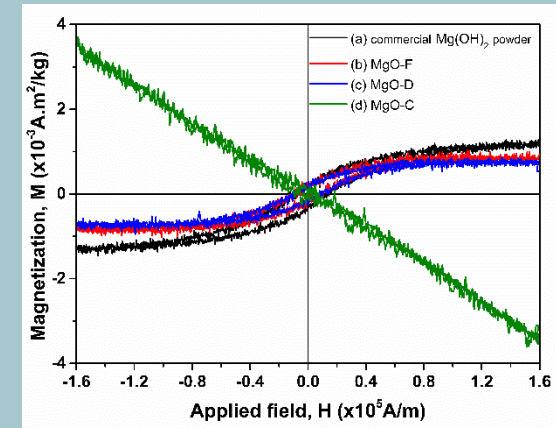
Ferromagnetic



## XPS Surface analysis

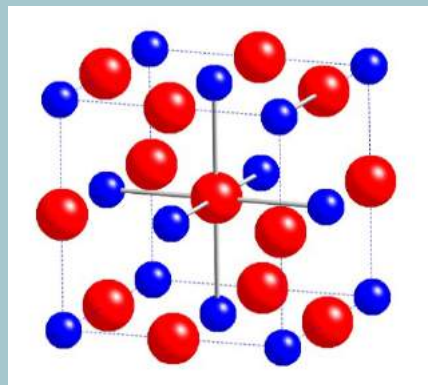


## XAS analysis

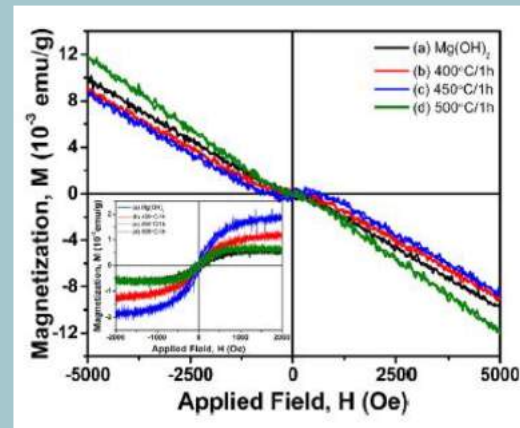


## MgO (Barrier layer) in HDD

- Diamagnetic material
- Good insulator



MgO structure

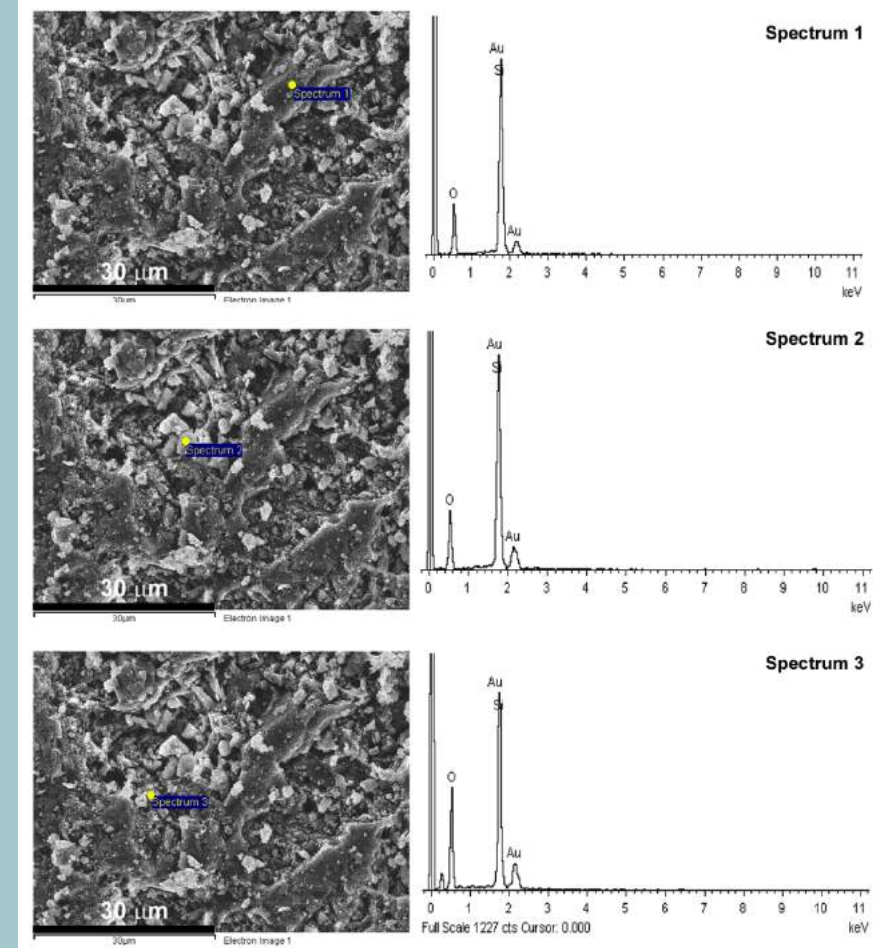
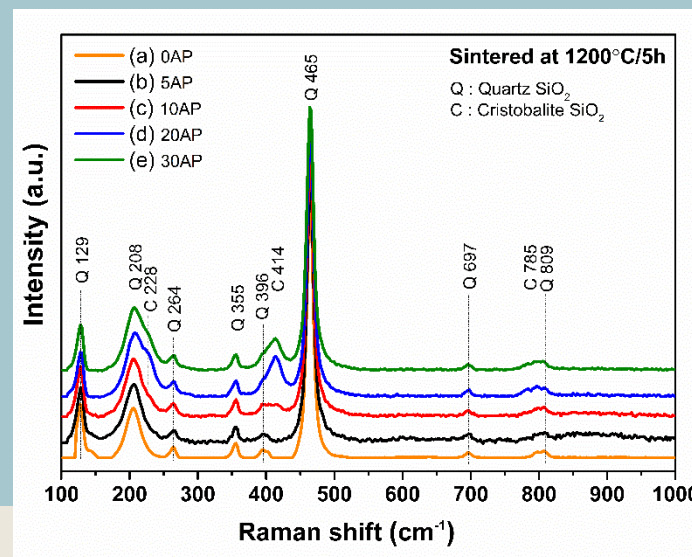
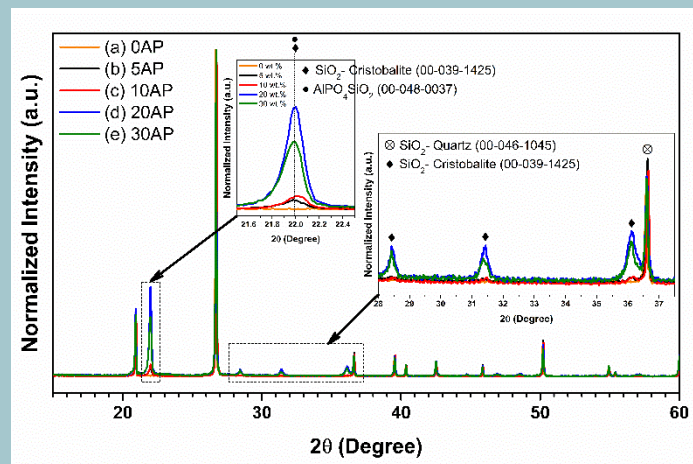
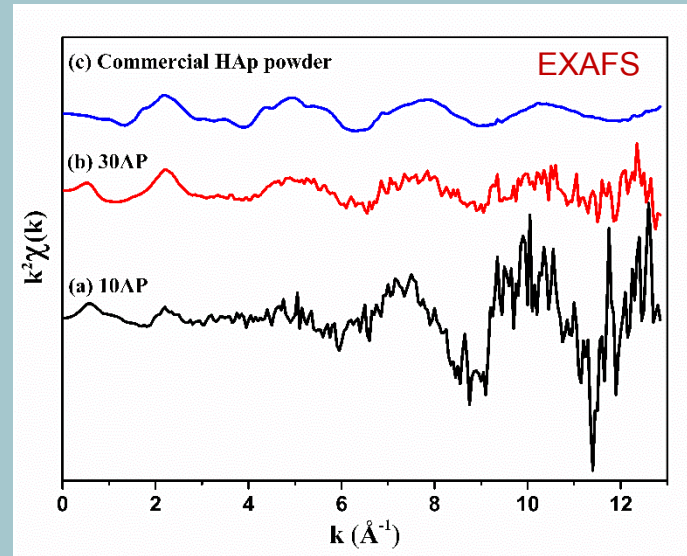
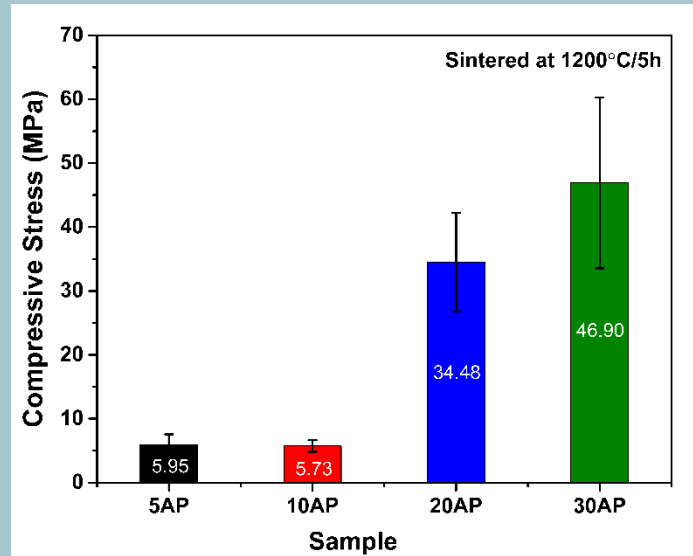


Journal of Alloys and Compounds, 2017, Impact factor = 3.133, Q1

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# Effect of phosphate compound on physical and mechanical properties of SiO<sub>2</sub> ceramic

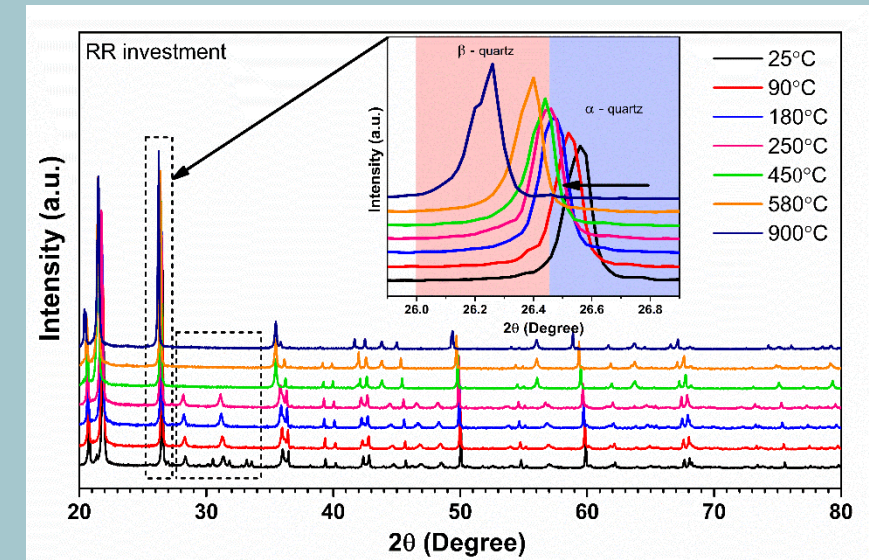
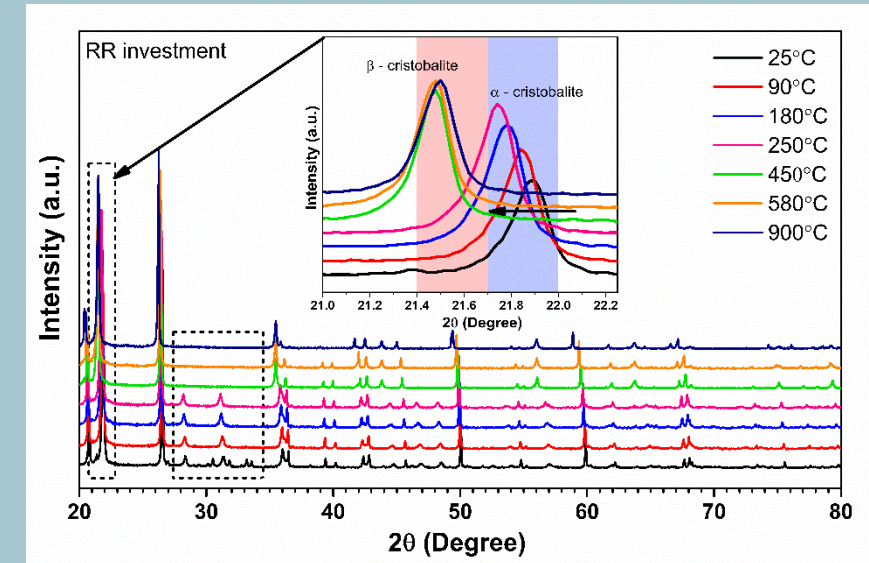
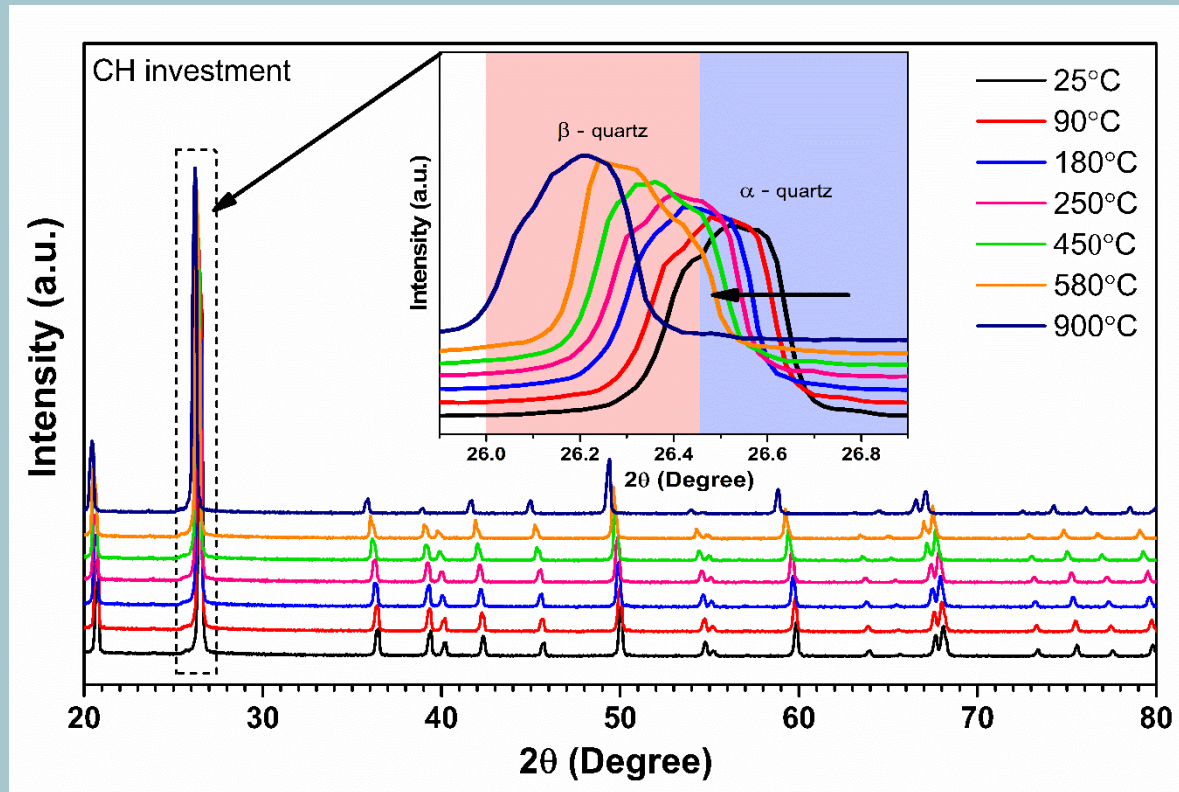
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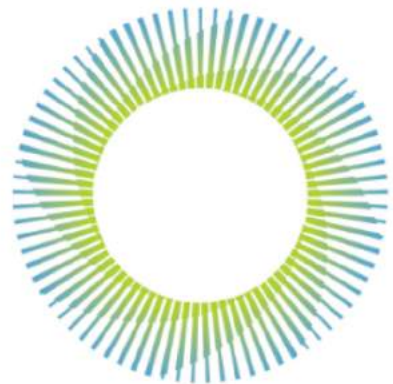


# Thermo characteristic of investment mold for high melting point alloy casting

- CH investment → Quartz  $\text{SiO}_2$
- RR investment → Cristobalite and Quartz  $\text{SiO}_2$



Phase transformation → Volume changed → Mechanical properties changed



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# Thank you

