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Texture evolution and basic thermal-mechanical properties of pure tungsten under various rolling reductions

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Spallation target

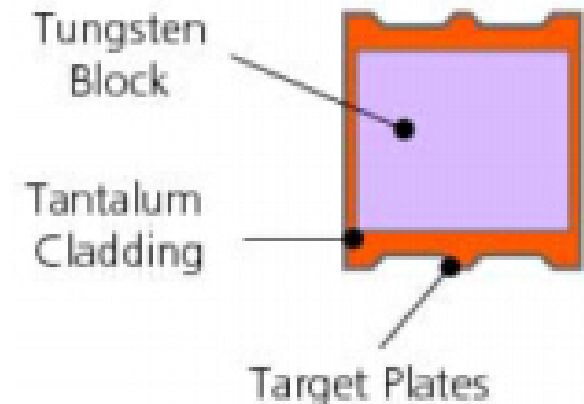
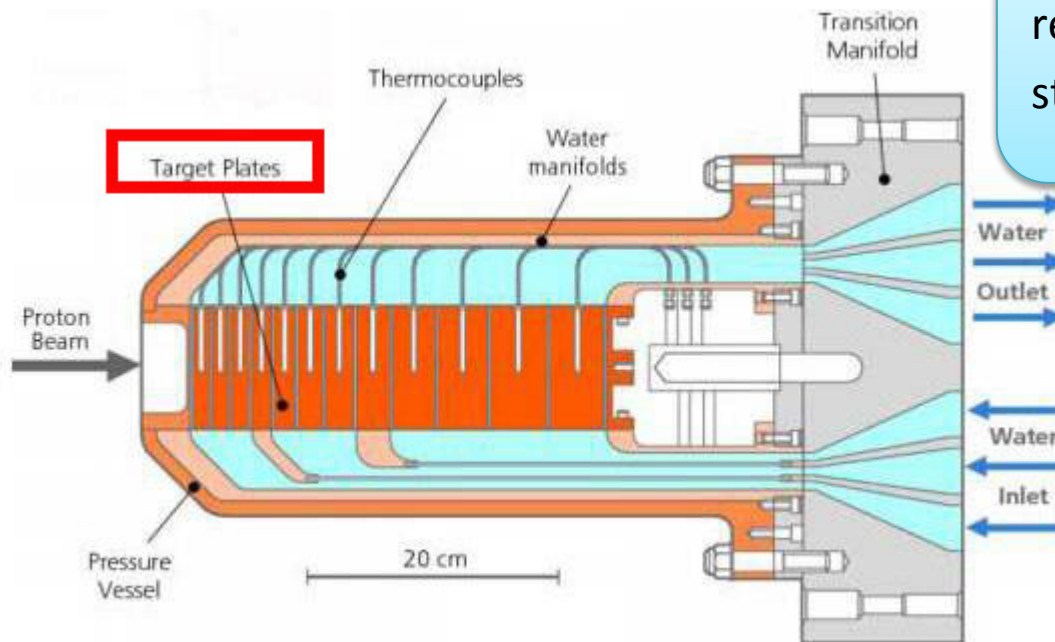
Advantages

- High neutron yield
- High strength
- High thermal conductivity
- Moderate activation

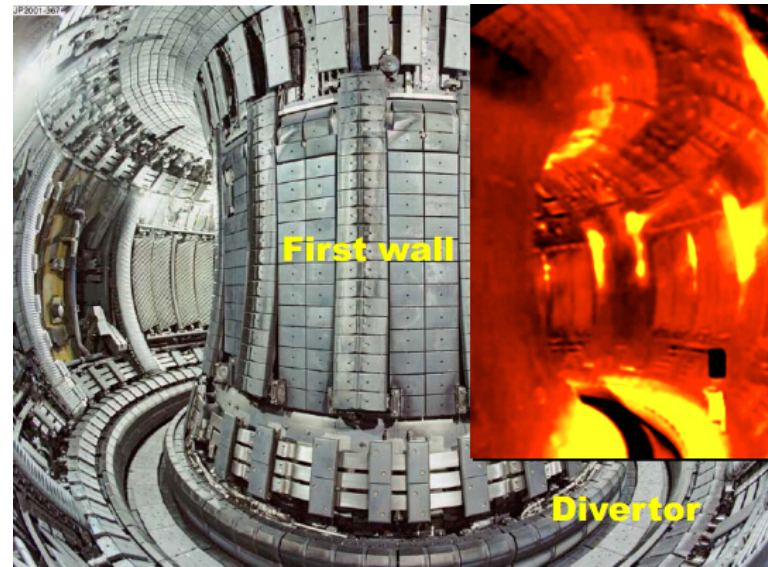
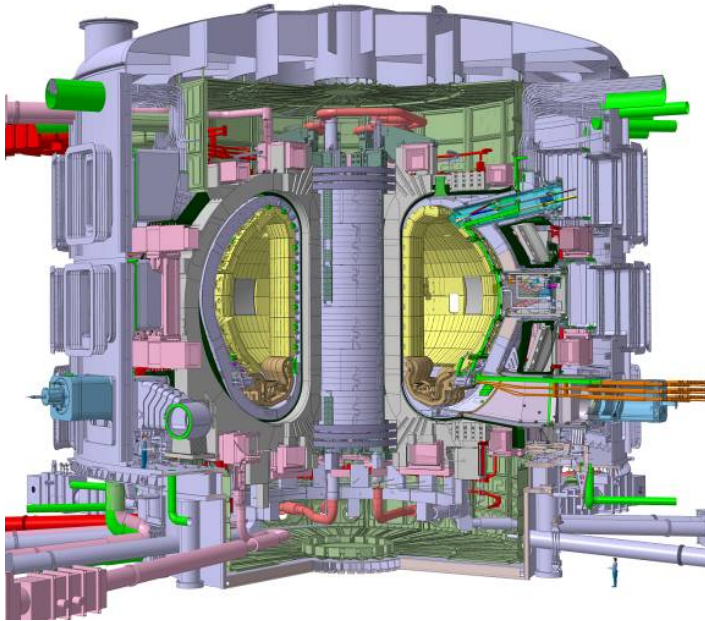
Disadvantages

- high-corrosion rate in water under radiation at high temperature

Cladding tungsten with a corrosion-resistant materials:
stainless steel, tantalum and so on



Application in Fusion reactor



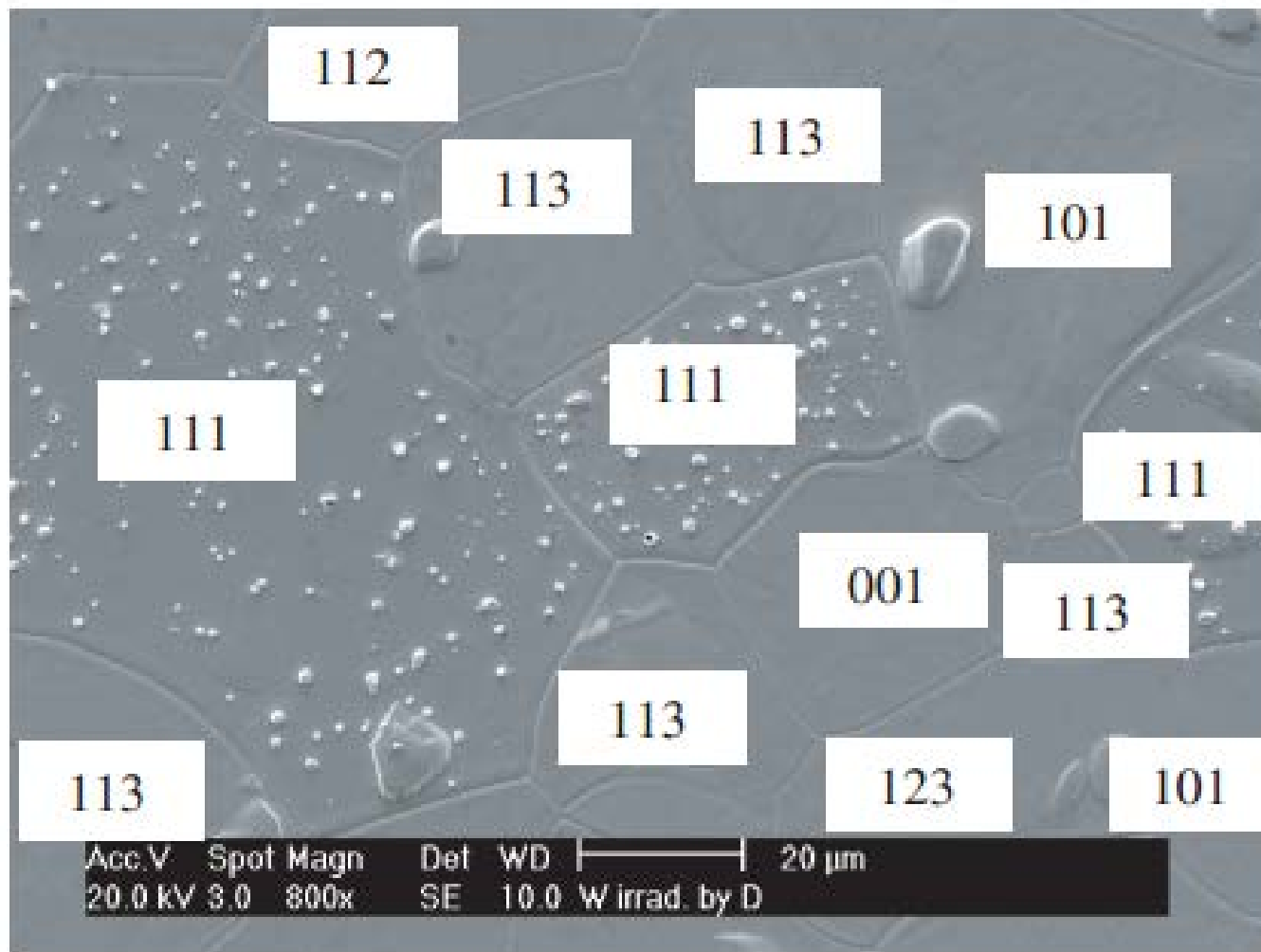
Deuterium, Tritium, Helium, Neutron, Electron bombardment

Irradiation damage dependence of grain orientation

Deuterium, Helium and Heavy ions

Irradiation damage dependence of grain orientation

Deuterium irradiation:

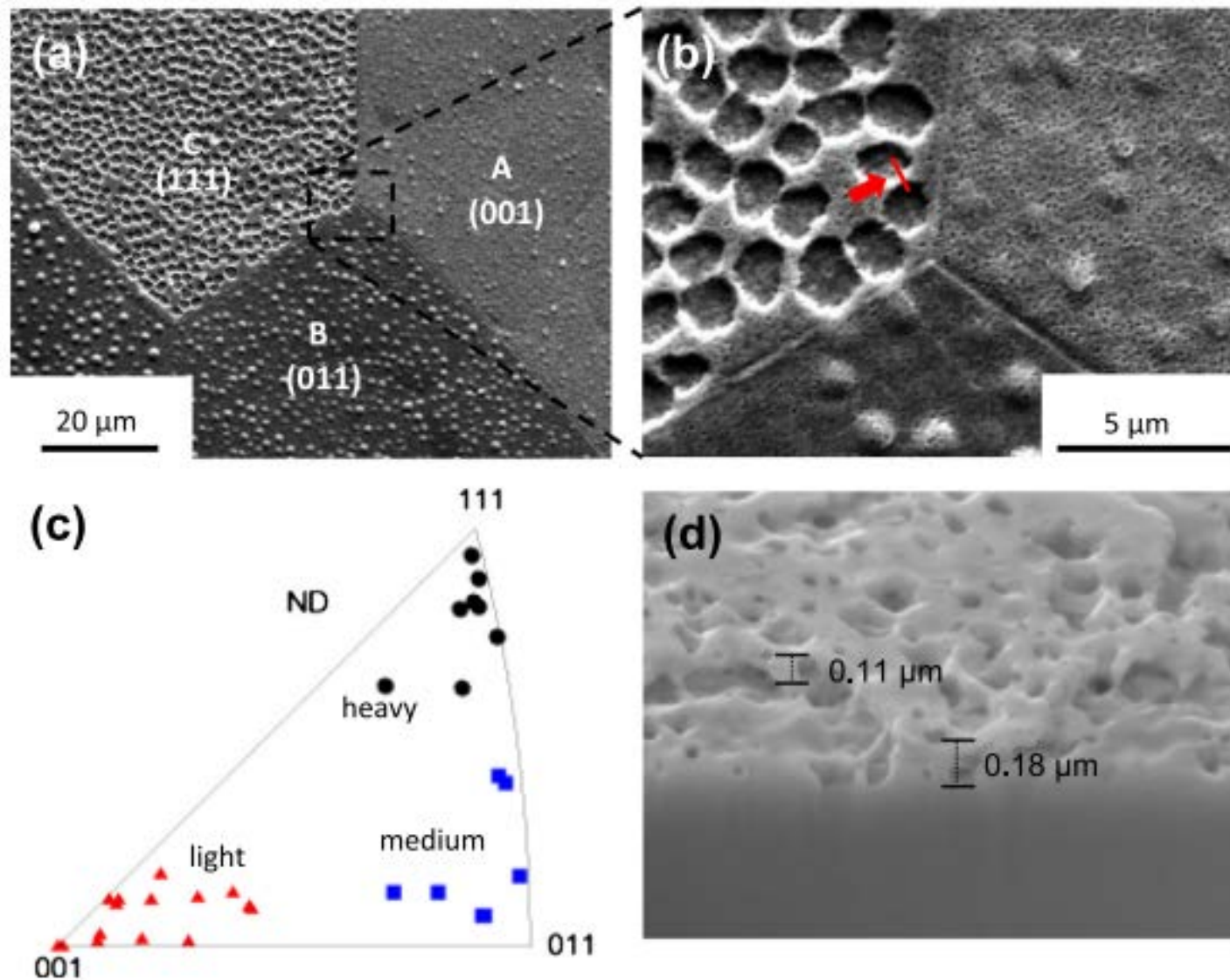


F sample: Full recrystallized pure tungsten

W M Shu et al, T128(2007) 96–99, PHYSICA SCRIPTA

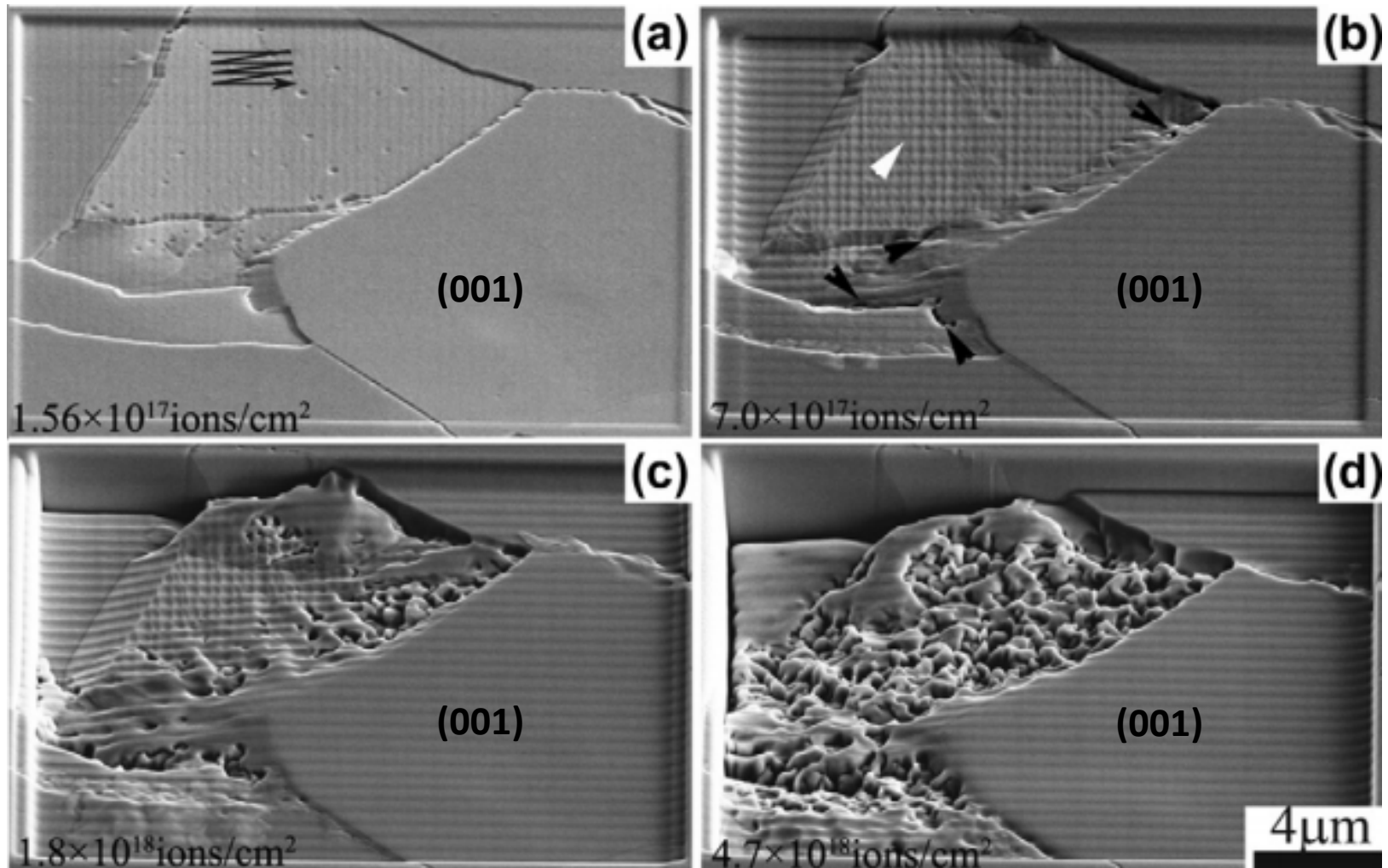
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Helium irradiation:



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Heavy ions:



Guang Ran, Lumin Wang et al, 289 (2012) 39–42
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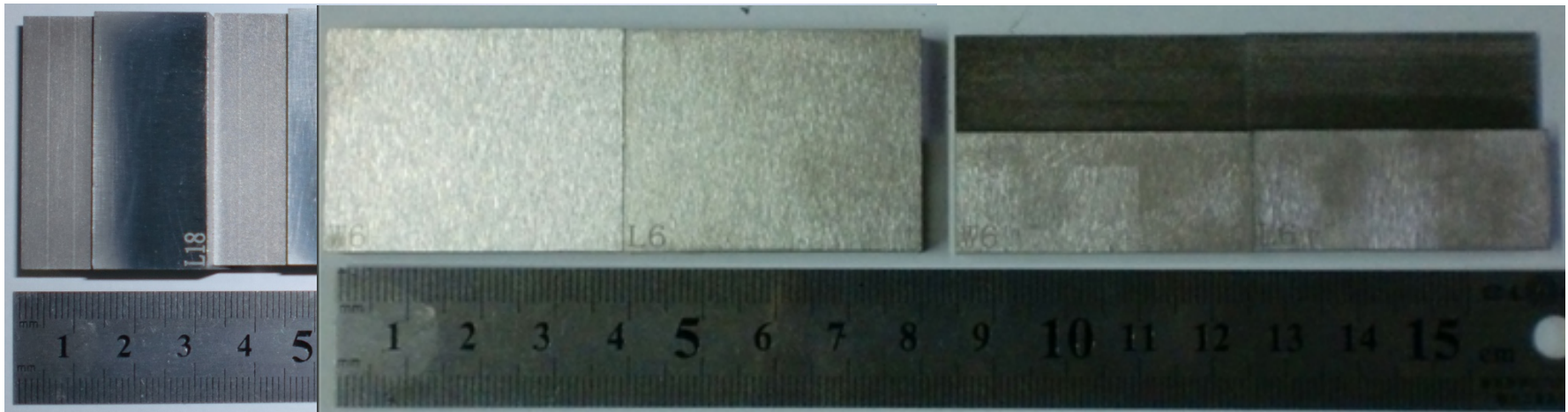
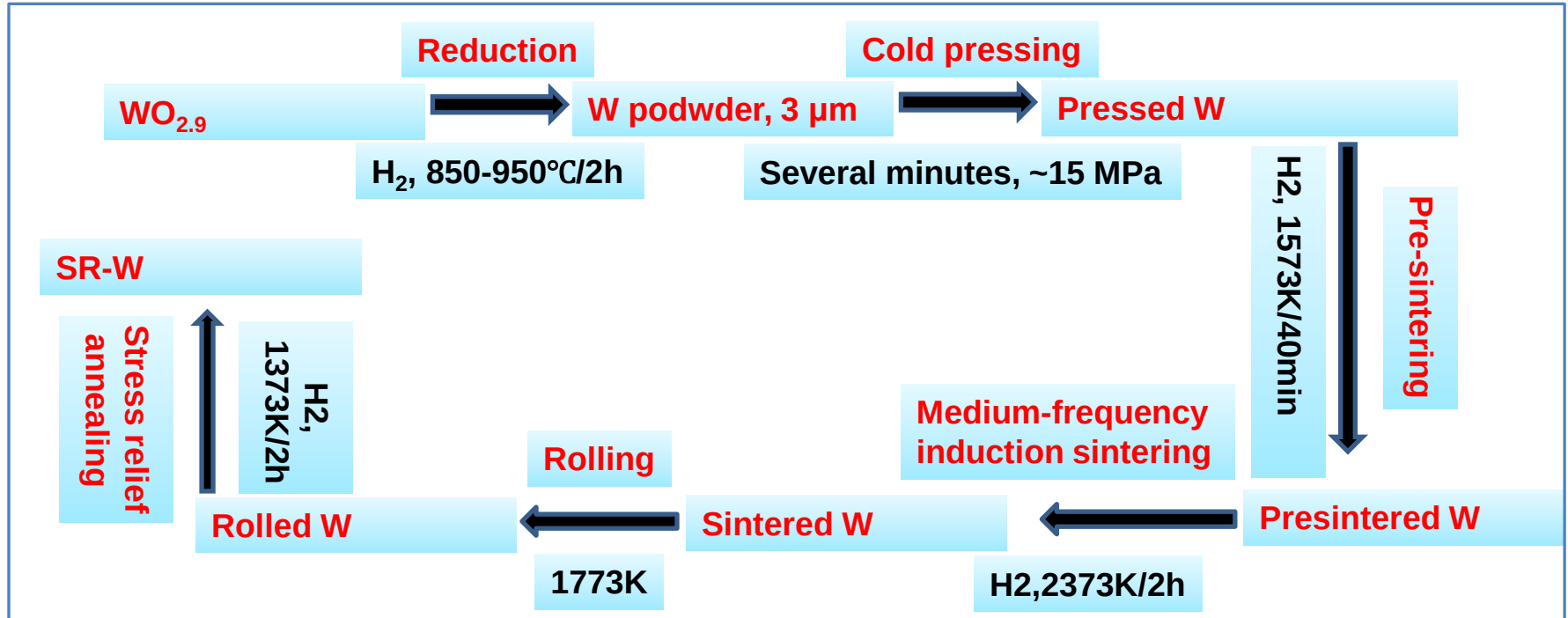
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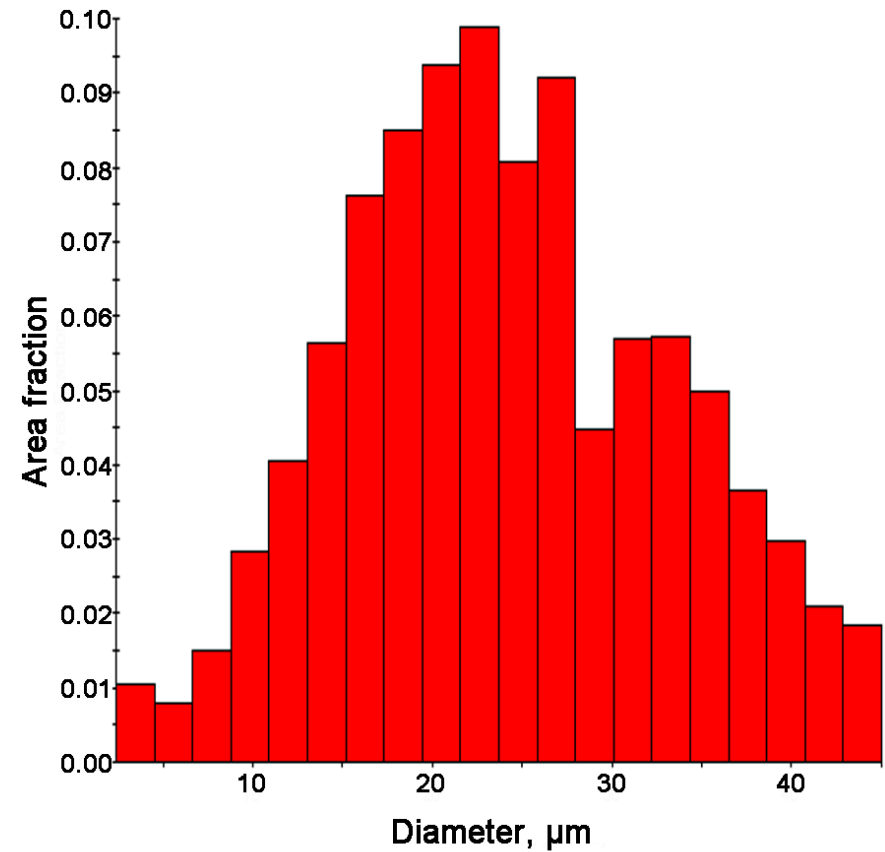
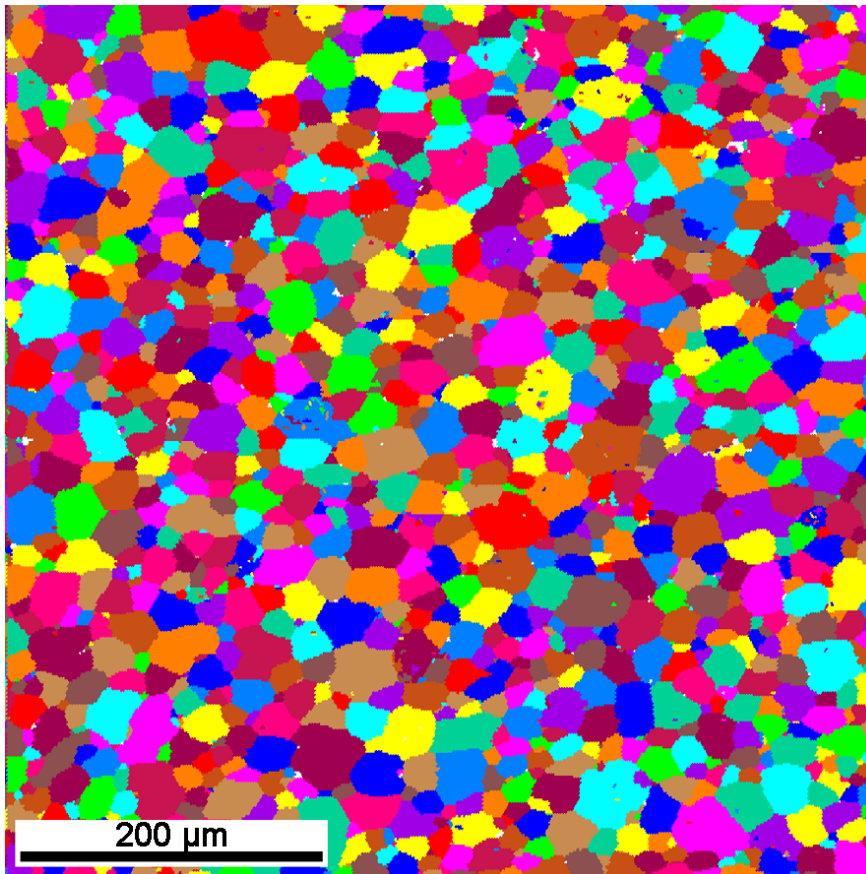
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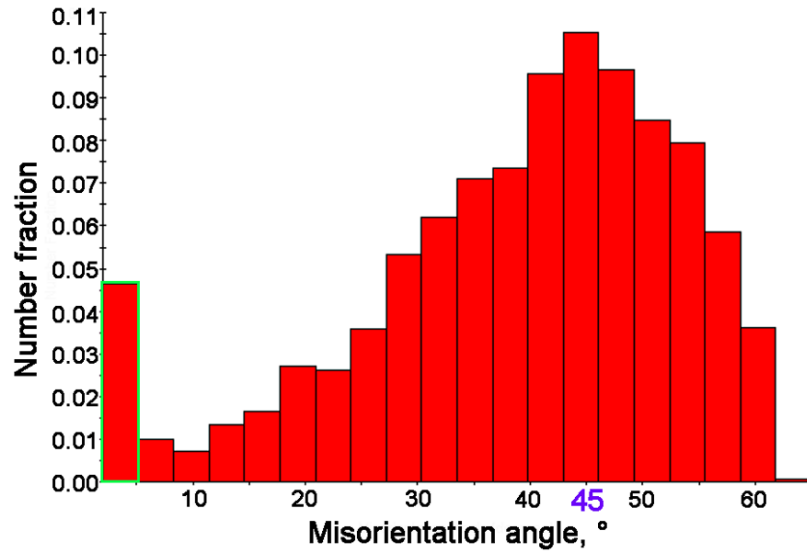
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Microstructures



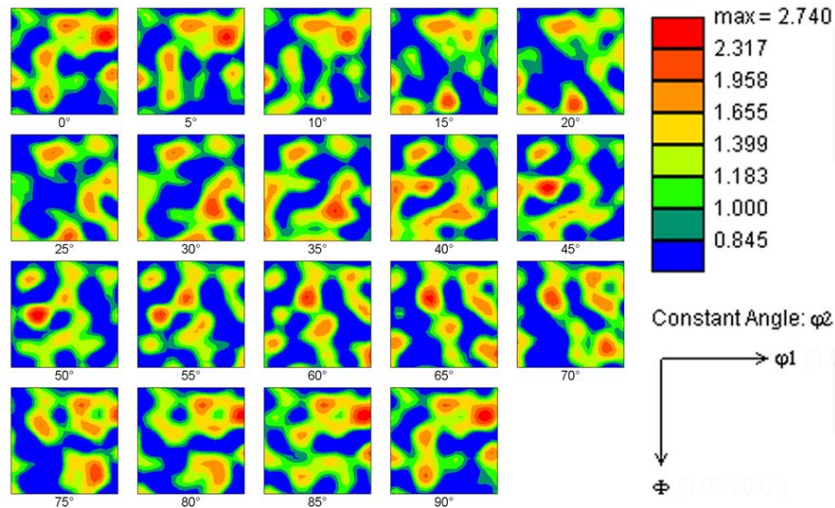
- Homogeneous microstructure with grain size of about 20 μm

Microstructures



- Misorientation angle: maximum and cutoff

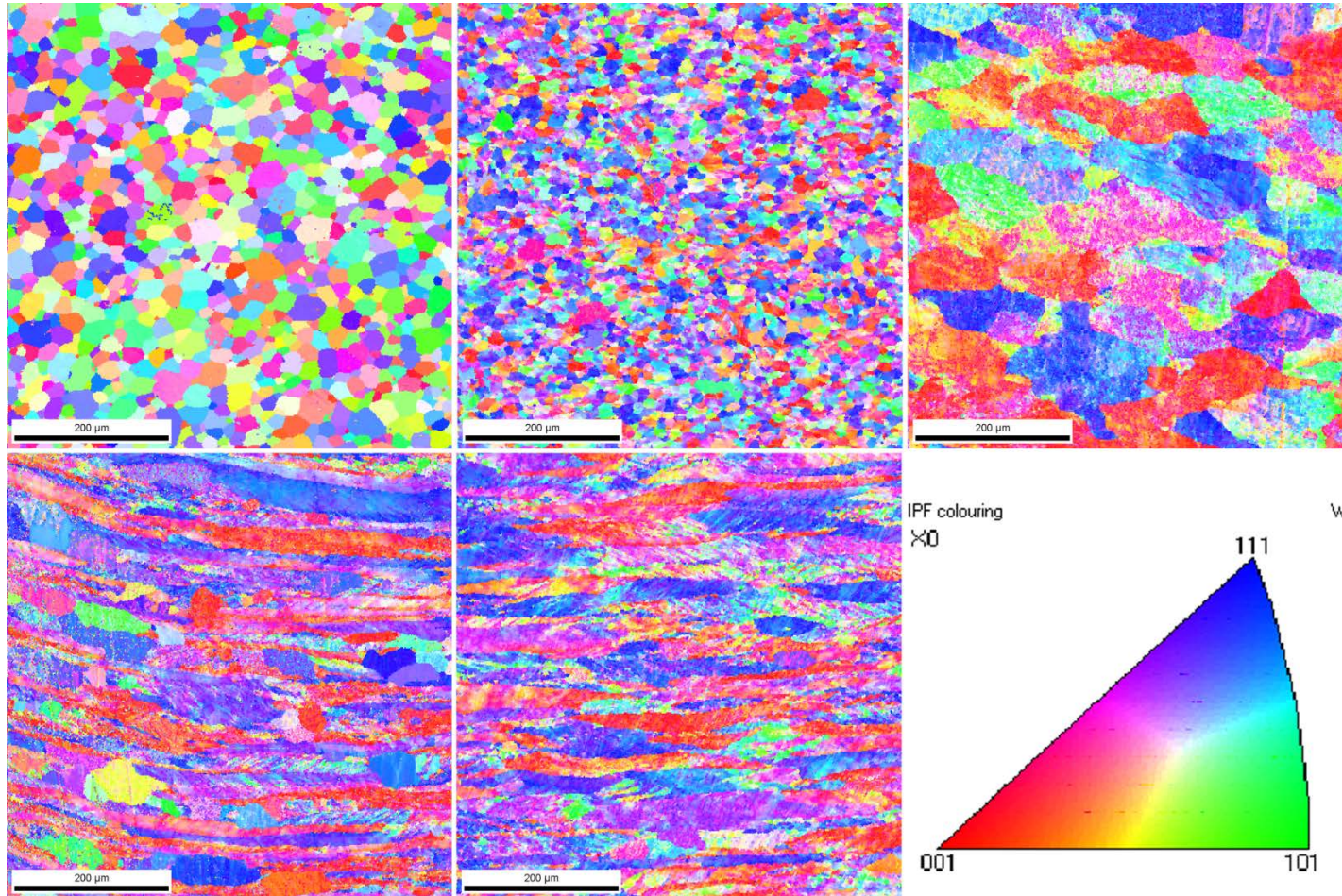
- Low misorientation angle: noise effect



- The maximum pole density: 2.7
- Too small to be neglected

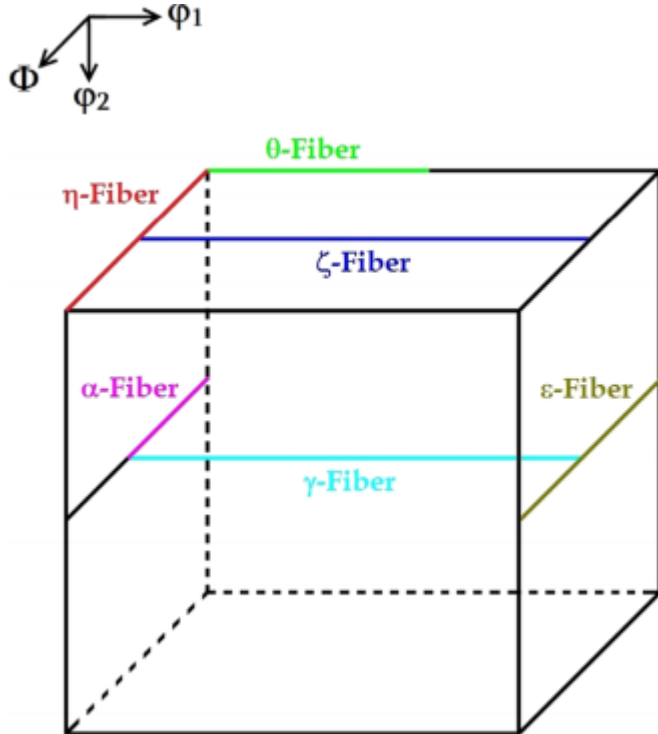
- Sintered tungsten: random orientation

Microstructures



- Texture transformation occurred during rolling process
- 80%,90% rolled tungsten: fiber structure

Microstructures

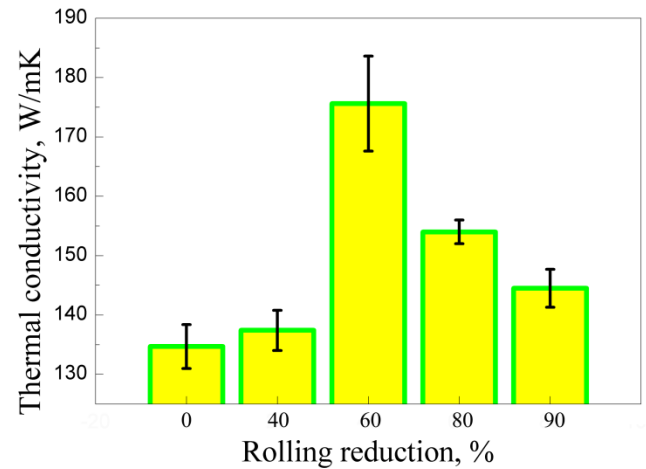
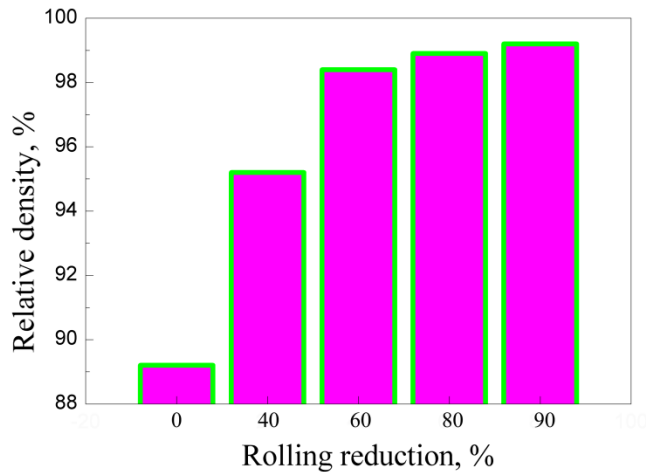
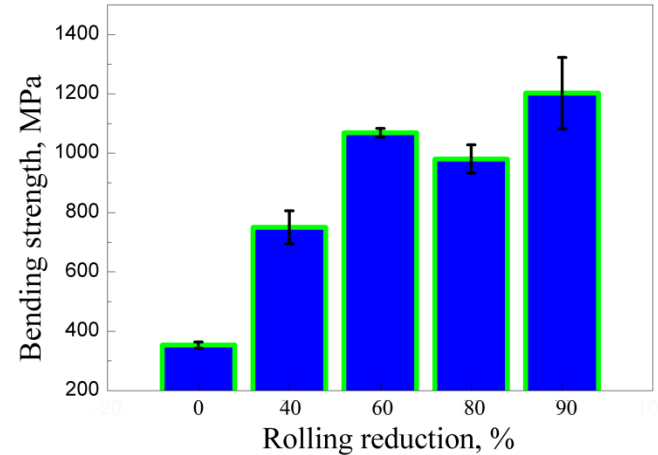
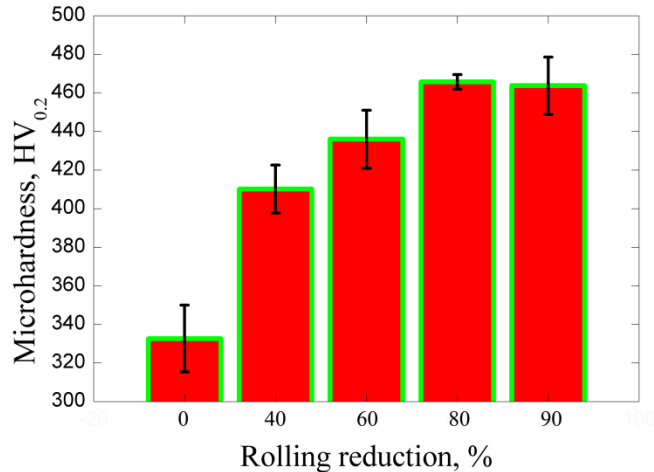


Euler angles and Miller indices for important texture components in the BCC materials.

Texture components	Euler angles			Fiber
	φ_1	Φ	φ_2	
$\{001\}\langle 100\rangle$	0	0	0	η/θ
$\{001\}\langle 110\rangle$	45	0	0	θ
$\{011\}\langle 100\rangle$	0	45	0	η/ζ
$\{011\}\langle 011\rangle$	90	45	0	ζ
$\{011\}\langle 211\rangle$	35	45	0	ζ
$\{011\}\langle 111\rangle$	55	45	0	ζ
$\{111\}\langle 112\rangle$	30	55	45	γ
$\{111\}\langle 110\rangle$	0	55	45	α/γ
$\{112\}\langle 110\rangle$	0	35	45	α

◆ γ -fiber texture and θ -fiber texture formed on the rolled tungsten

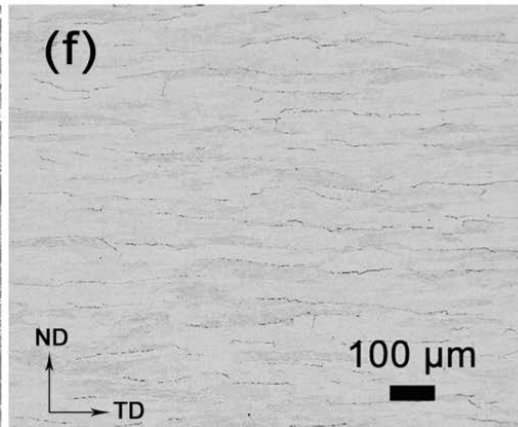
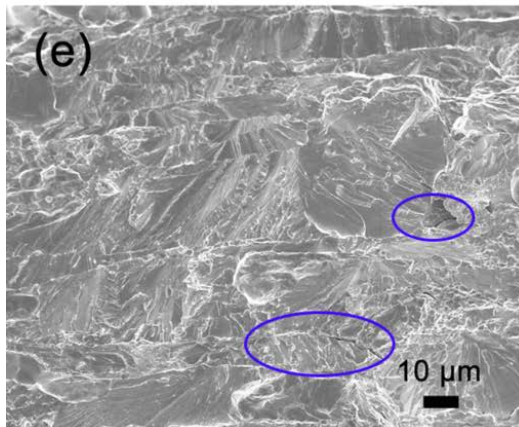
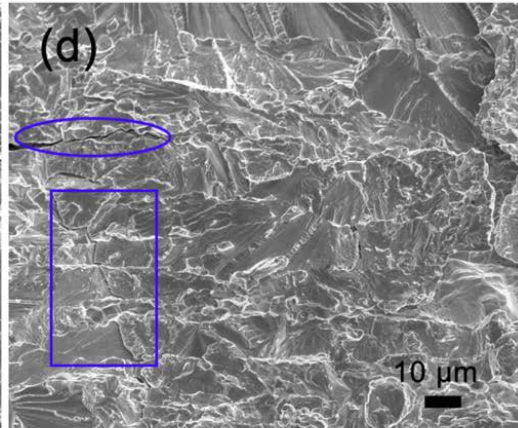
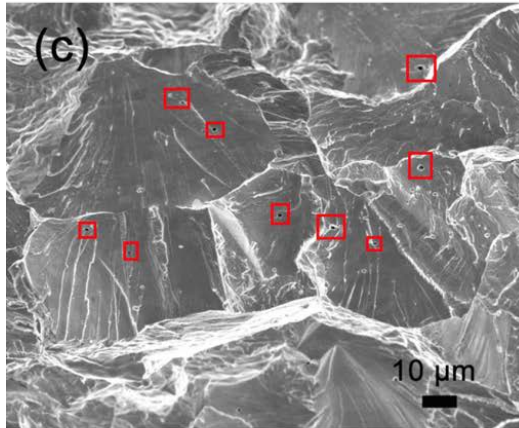
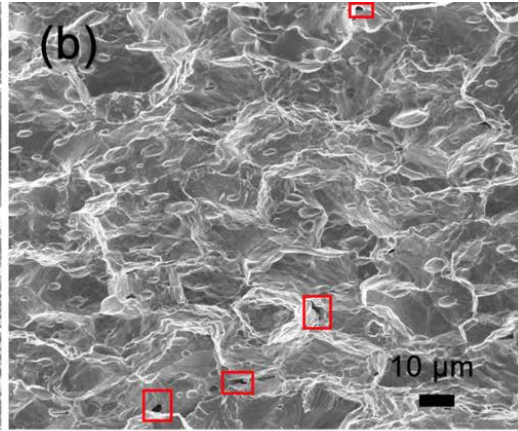
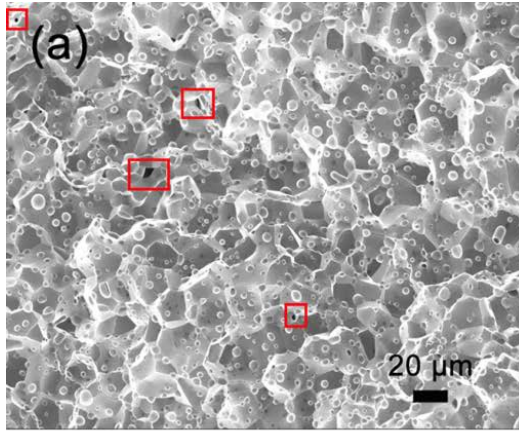
Basic thermal-mechanical properties



- Microhardness, bending strength, and relative density increased with rolling reduction
- 60% rolled tungsten exhibited the highest thermal conductivity

• Pores and cracks

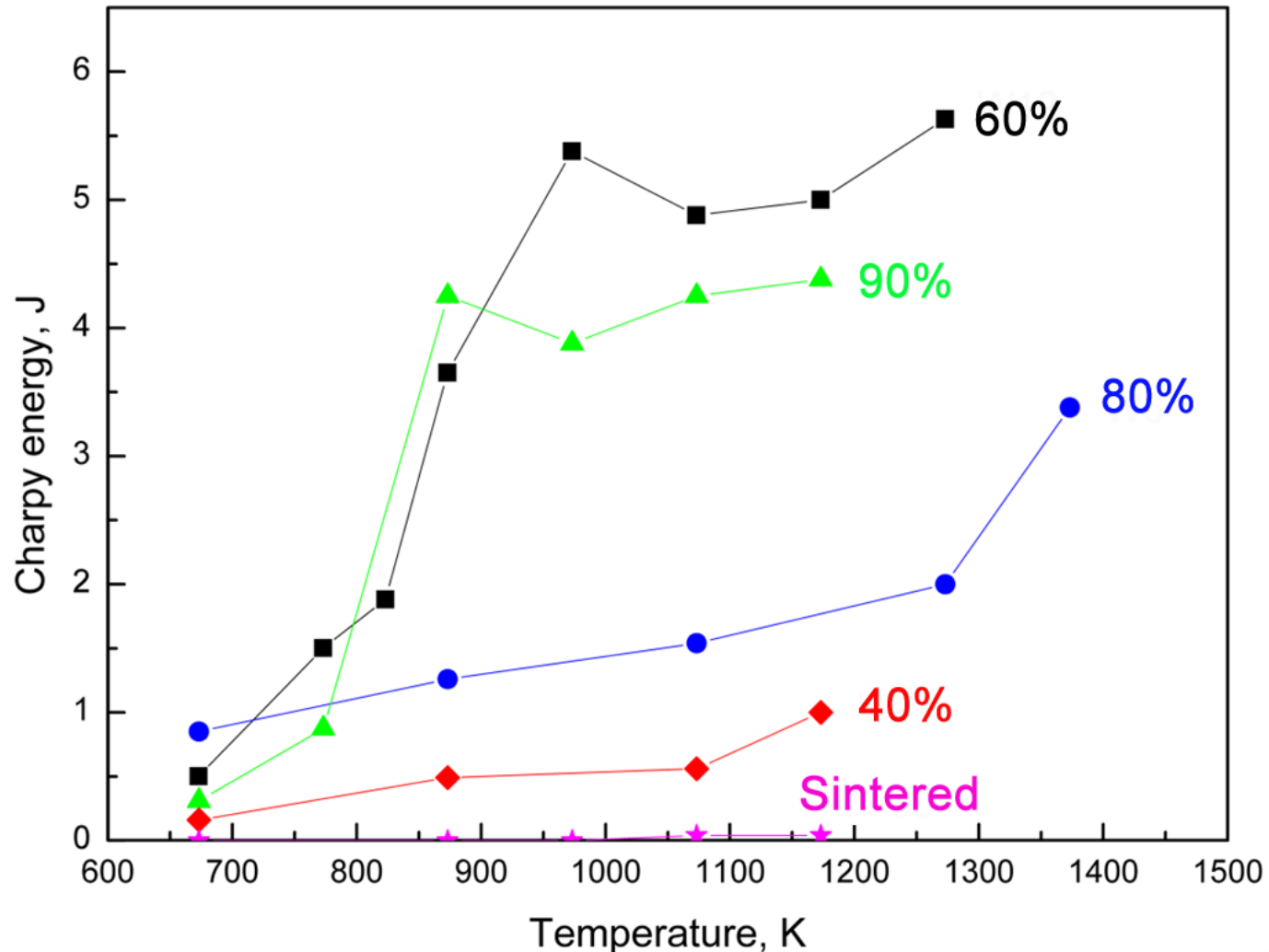
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- Sintered and 40% rolled tungsten:
large pores
- 80%, 90% rolled tungsten:
cracks

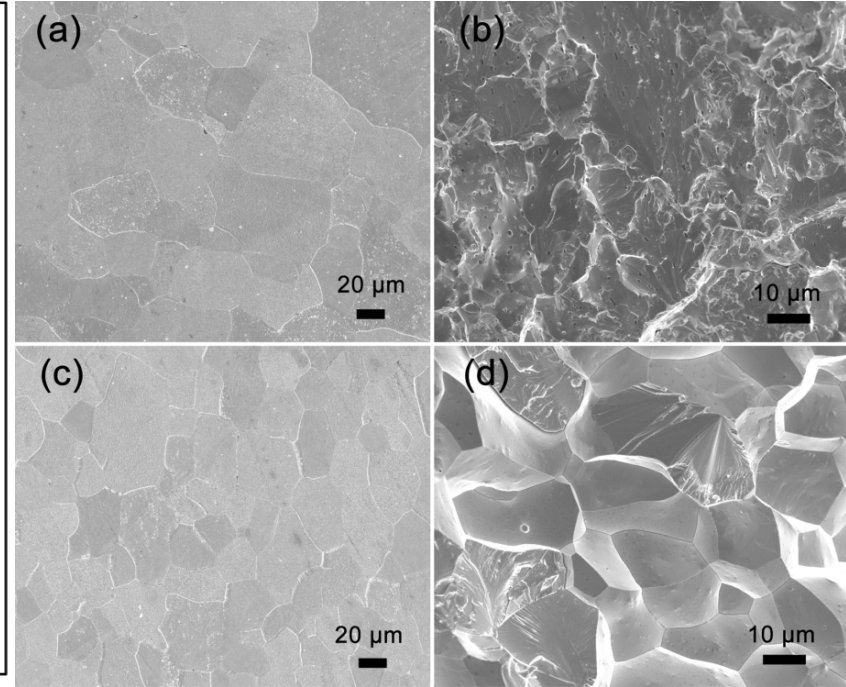
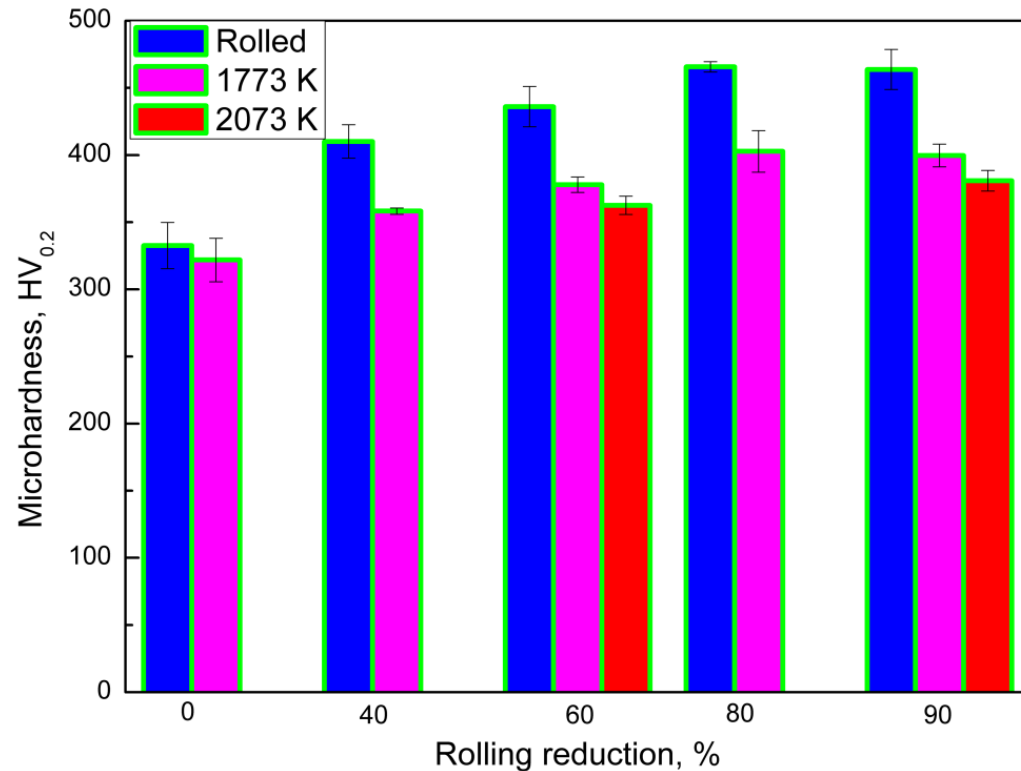
Weaken heat transfer ability

Basic thermal-mechanical properties-Charpy performance



- 60% rolled tungsten: best Charpy impact performance
- Few pores and cracks

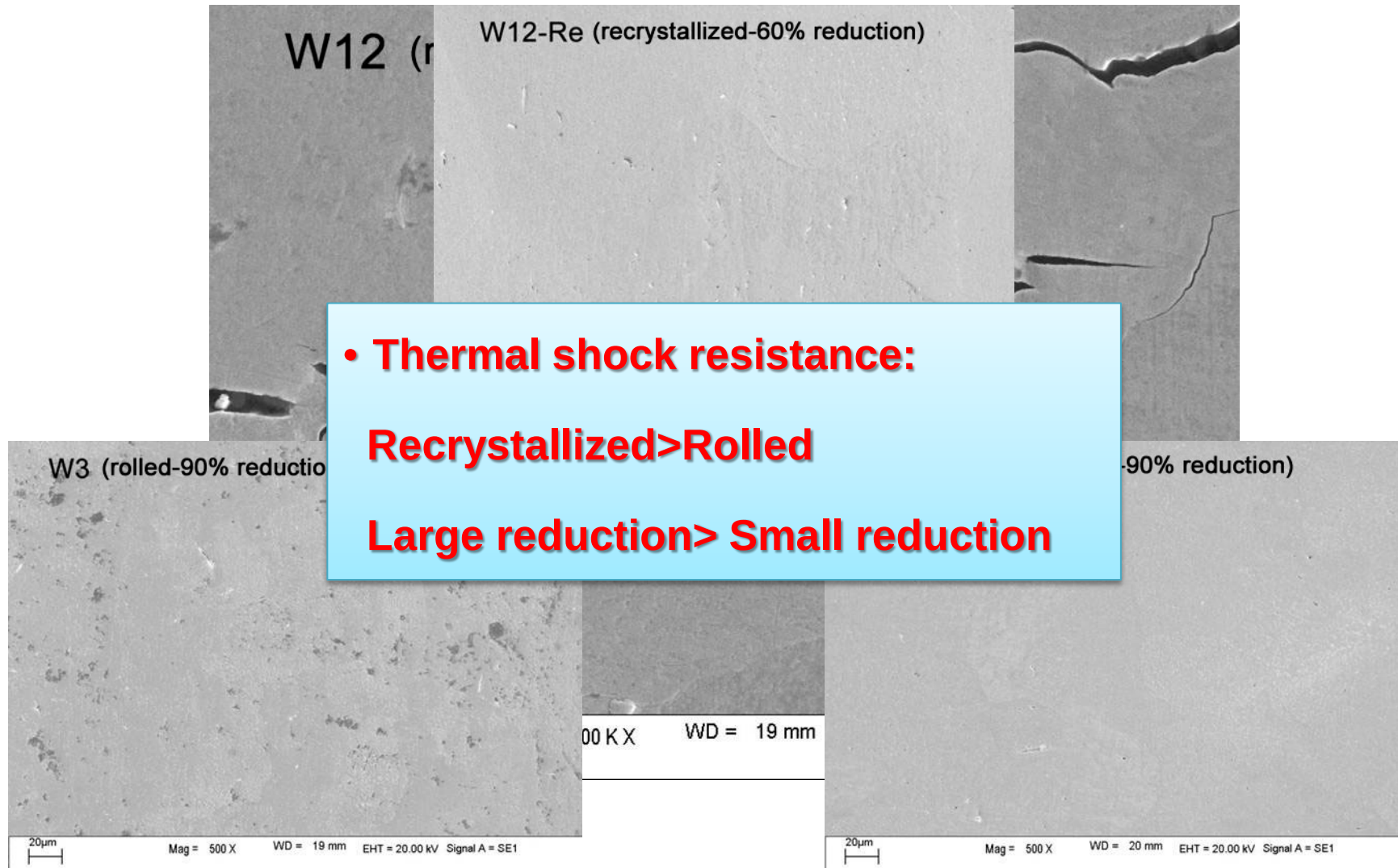
Basic thermal-mechanical properties-Recrystallization



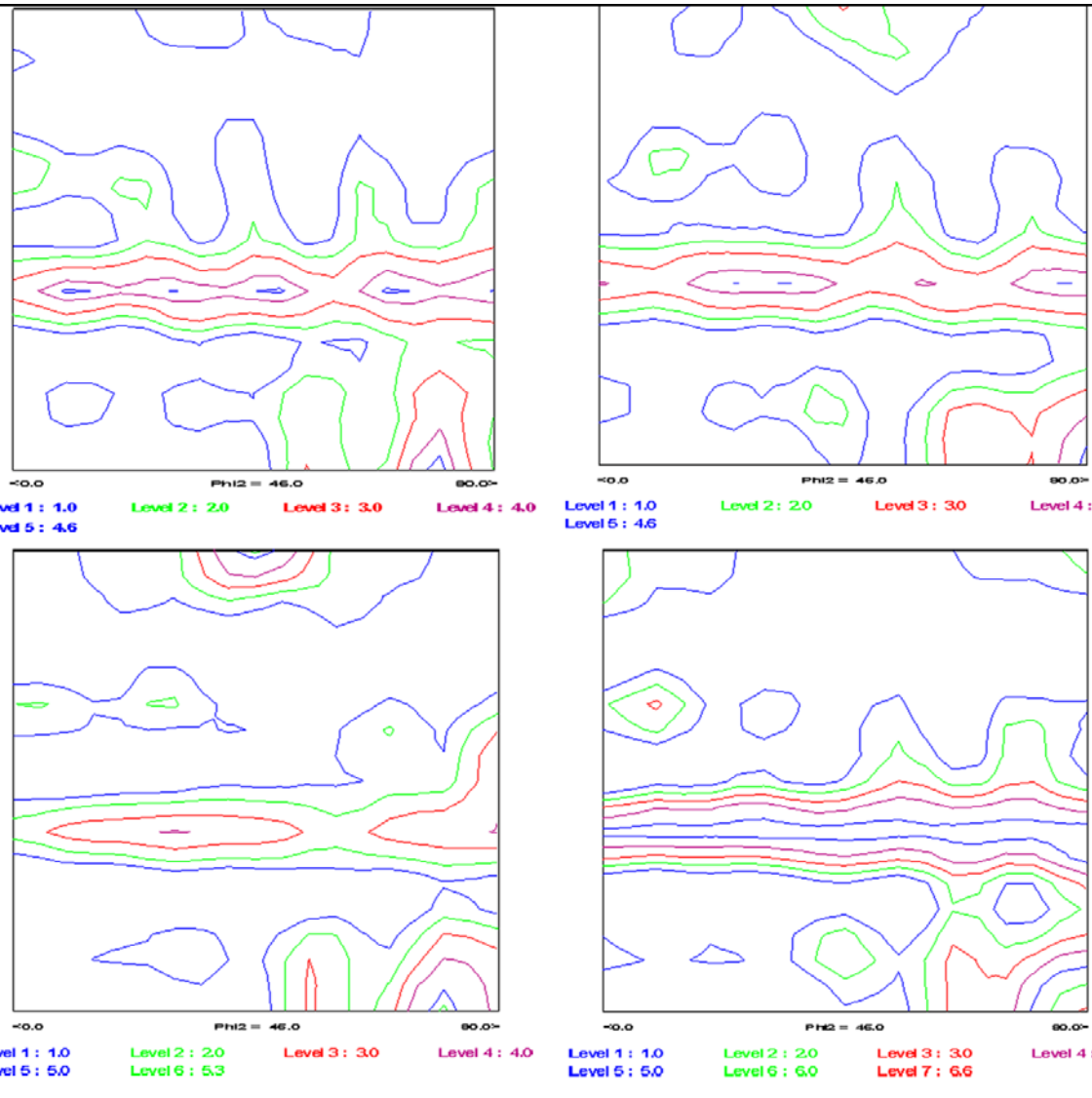
- Microhardness decreased:
 - significantly after annealing at 1773 K for 2 h
 - slightly after annealing at 2073 K for 2 h
- 60%, 90% rolled tungsten: coarse grains after 2073 K annealing
- Full recrystallization: 2073 K/2 h annealing

Basic thermal-mechanical properties-Thermal shock

Electron beam: 0.22 GW/m². Pulse duration: 5 ms

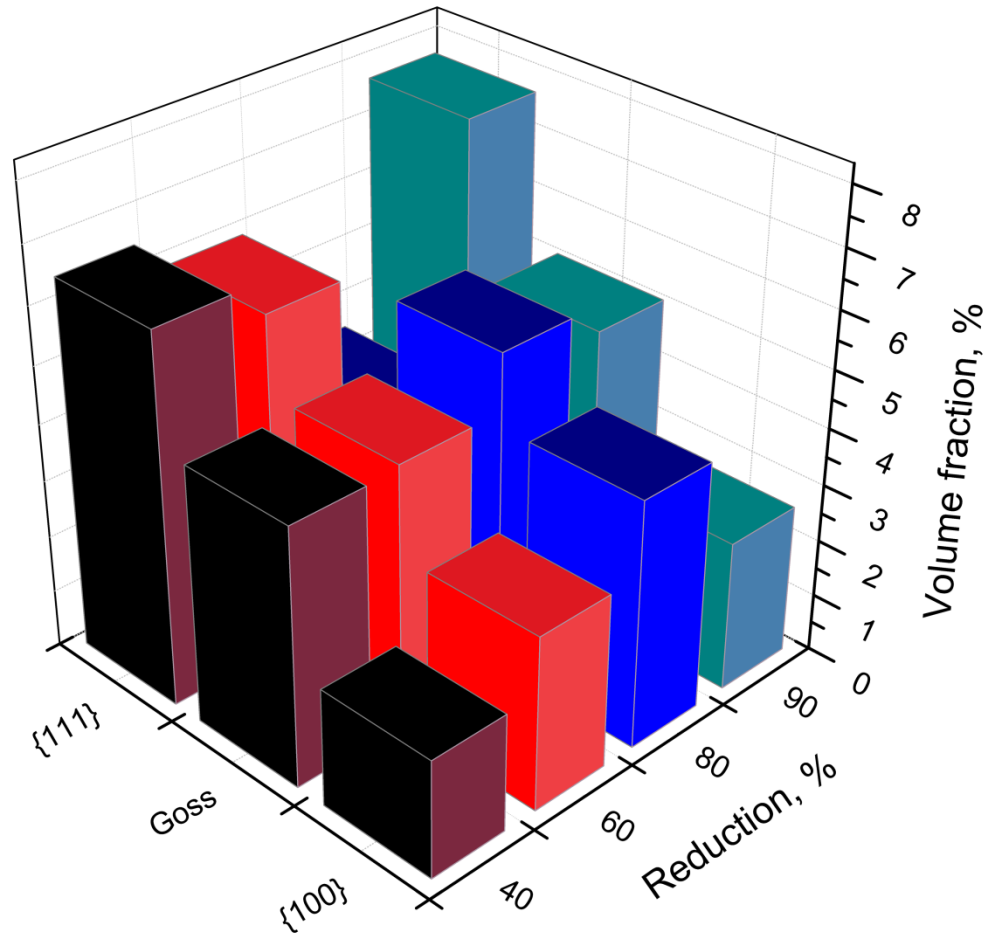


Rolling texture



- θ fiber, α fiber, γ fiber and Goss texture
- Intensity increased with reduction
- θ fiber texture evolution
- γ fiber texture evolution
- α fiber texture and Goss are stable

Rolling texture



- 40%, 60%, 90% rolled tungsten displayed more γ fiber texture
- 80% rolled tungsten exhibited more Goss texture and θ fiber texture
- 80% rolled tungsten may exhibit the best irradiation resistance

Rolling texture

- **Factors: deformation degree, rolling friction, deformation temperature**
- **For 40%, 60%, 80% rolled tungsten, small deformation degree, high deformation temperature**
 - dynamic recovery and dynamic recrystallization may restrict the development of γ fiber texture and promote the formation of θ fiber texture
- **For 90% rolled tungsten, large deformation degree, low deformation temperature**
 - “Cold rolling” with large deformation degree may facilitate the formation of γ fiber texture
 - Friction may also influence the texture evolution of the 90% rolled tungsten: 3 mm thickness

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- **60% rolled tungsten showed the highest thermal conductivity and the best Charpy impact performance**
- **Recrystallized tungsten or rolled tungsten with larger reduction may exhibit better thermal shock resistance**
- **40%, 60%, 90% rolled tungsten displayed more γ fiber texture while 80% rolled tungsten exhibited more Goss texture and θ fiber texture**
- **80% rolled tungsten may exhibit the best irradiation resistance**

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