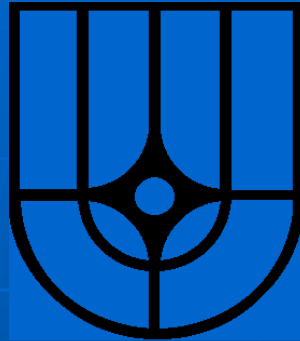


# Russian Research Center” Kurchatov Institute”



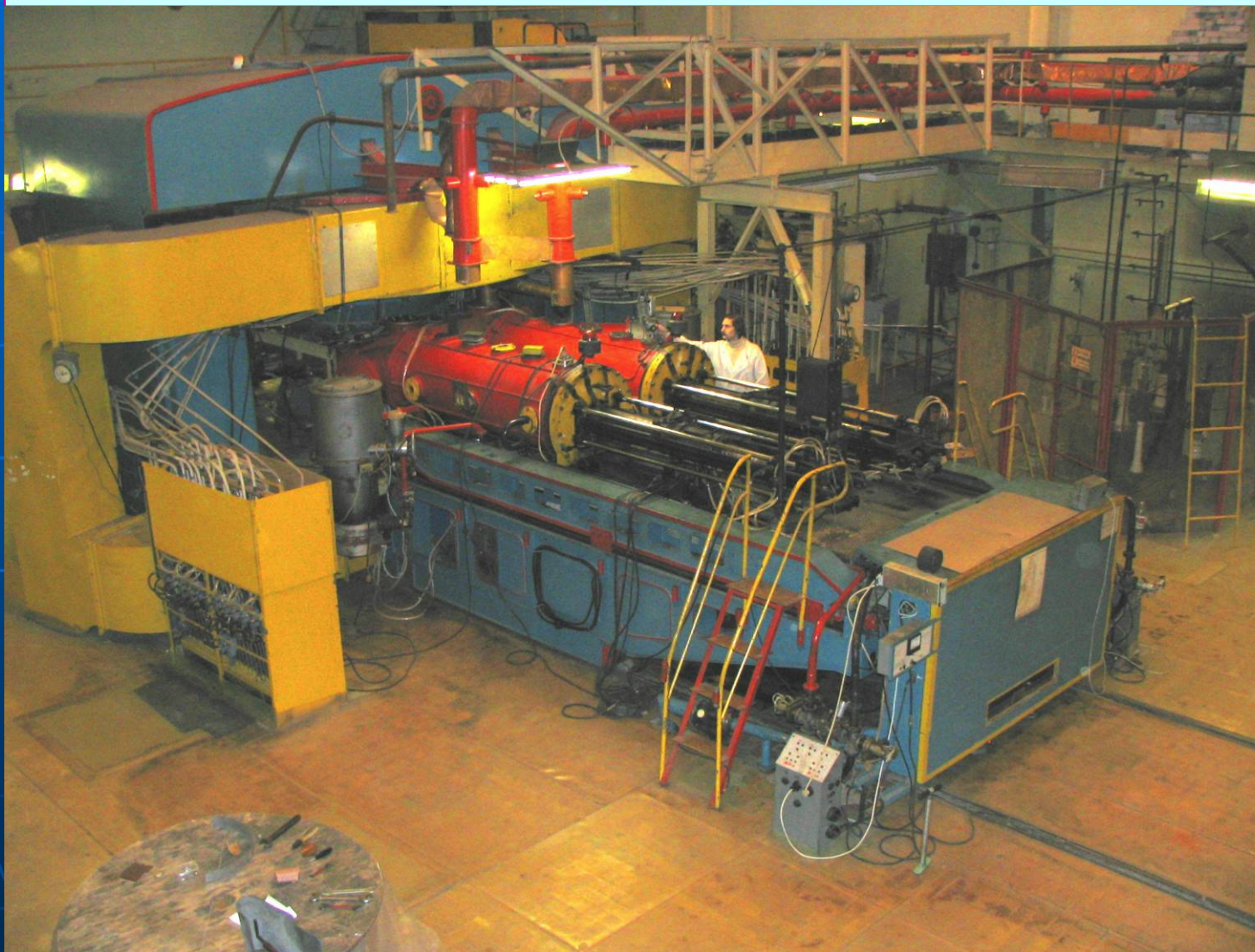
**Investigations of radiation resistance of fission and fusion structural materials in RRC KI using charged particle accelerators**

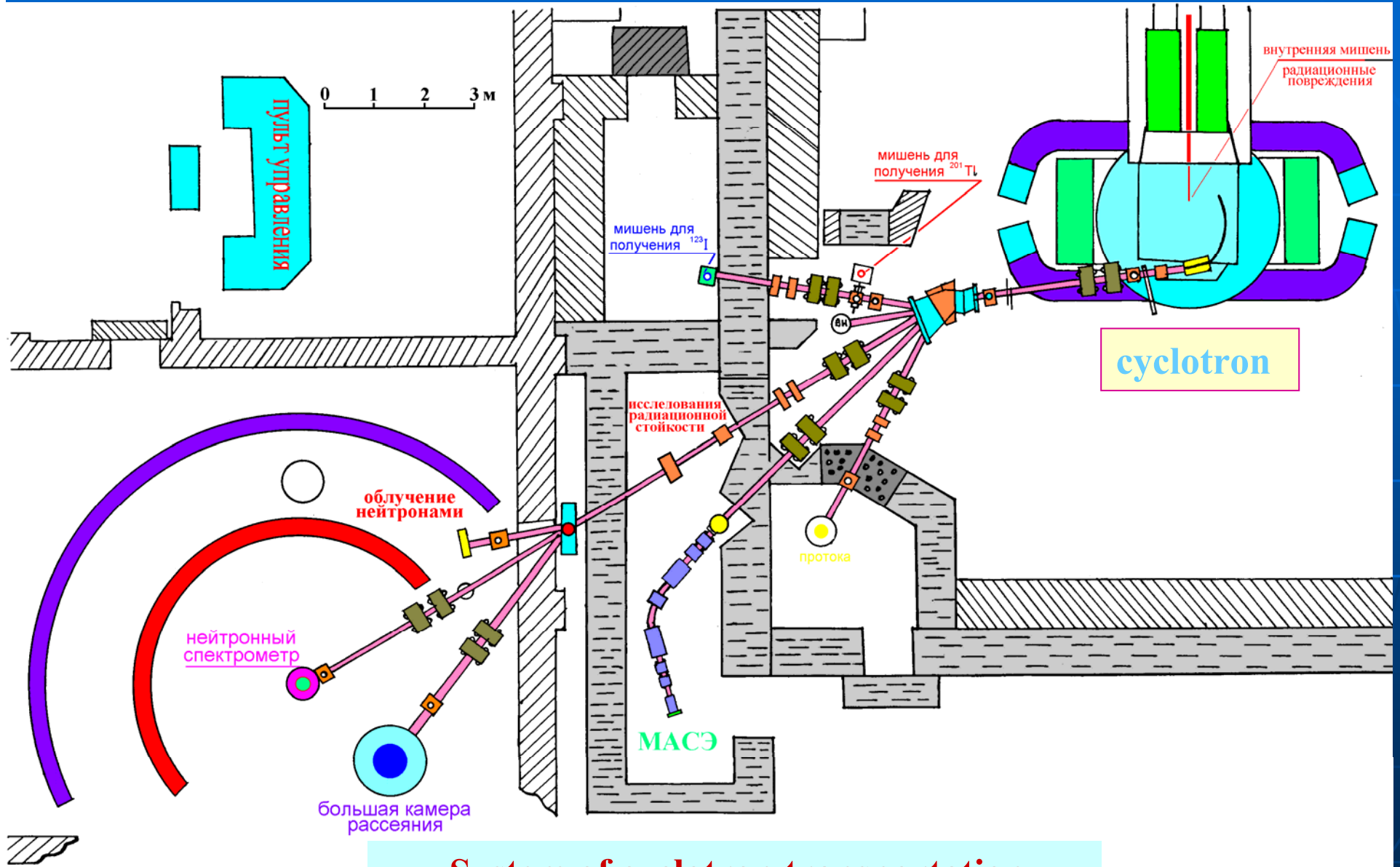
**Alexander Ryazanov**

# Experience of RRC KI in the Investigations of Materials for Atomic and Fusion Reactors

- ┌ **Materials for Fusion Reactors:**  
C-C, SiC, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, MgO, ZrO<sub>2</sub>,
- ┌ **Metallic Materials for Atomic Reactors:**  
Austenitic Steels
- ┌ **Atomic Reactors RBMK:**  
nuclear graphite, pyrolytic graphite, Zr-Nb
- ┌ **Basic Research and Theoretical Modeling:**  
Radiation Damage Formation, Defect Cluster Growth, Radiation Swelling, Radiation Creep, Helium Embrittlement

# Cyclotron of RRC “Kurchatov Institute”





## System of cyclotron transportation

15 March 2010, PSI, Switzerland

## Accelerators of Charge Particles of Russian Research Center “Kurchatov Institute”

### └ Cyclotron of RRC KI:

protons with energy  $< 35$  MeV, current  $J < 30$  mA

helium ions  $\text{He}^4$  with energy  $< 60$  MeV,  
current  $J < 20$  mA

ions  $\text{O}^{16}$  with energy  $< 120$  MeV, current  $J < 5$  mA

ions  $\text{C}^{12}$  with energy  $< 80$  MeV, current  $J < 5$  mA

# ***Radiation Resistance of Graphite Materials***

# Graphite materials in Tokamaks and Fusion Reactor:

- **Limiter and/or protection plate for the inner wall**

**Exposition to:**

- Vacuum
- Intense head load
- Edge plasma
- Fast neutrons

**Important behavior:**

- Thermal shock resistance
- Thermo-mechanical properties
- Accumulation of Hydrogen and Helium in fusion reactor
- Accumulation of Radiation Damage
- Sputtering and particle emission

# Graphite Materials for Atomic Reactors :

- Reflectors and stopping system of neutrons

## Exposition to:

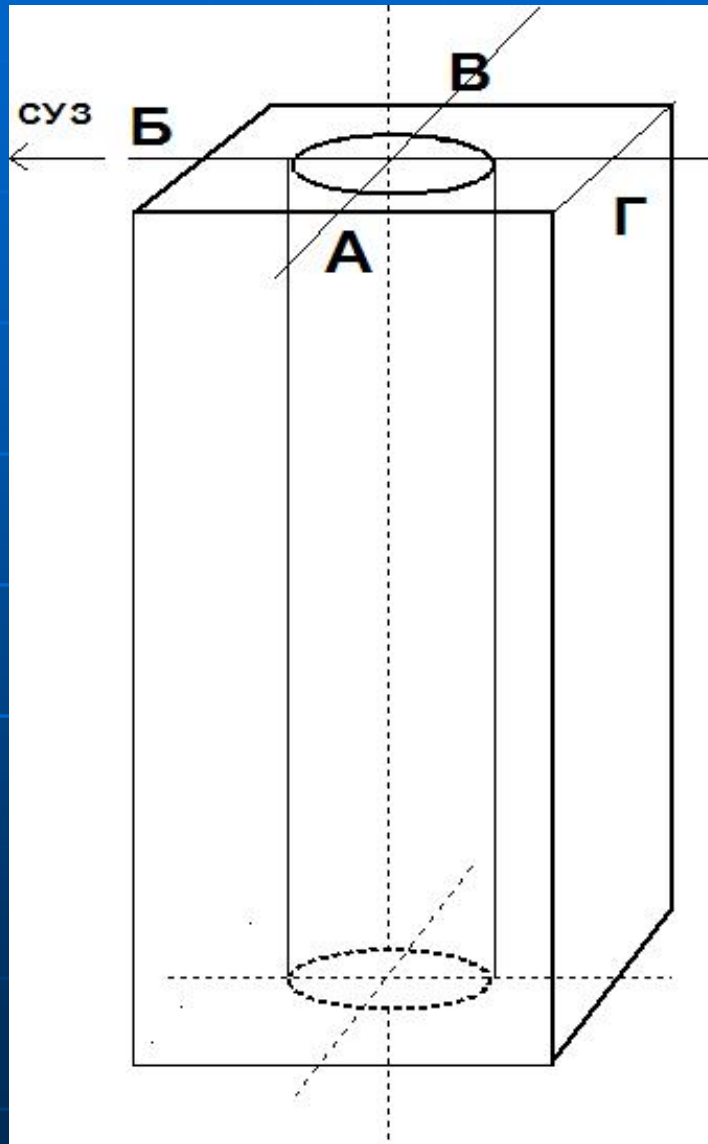
- Temperature:  $T = 300-750 \text{ C}$
- Thermal and Fast neutrons

## Important behavior:

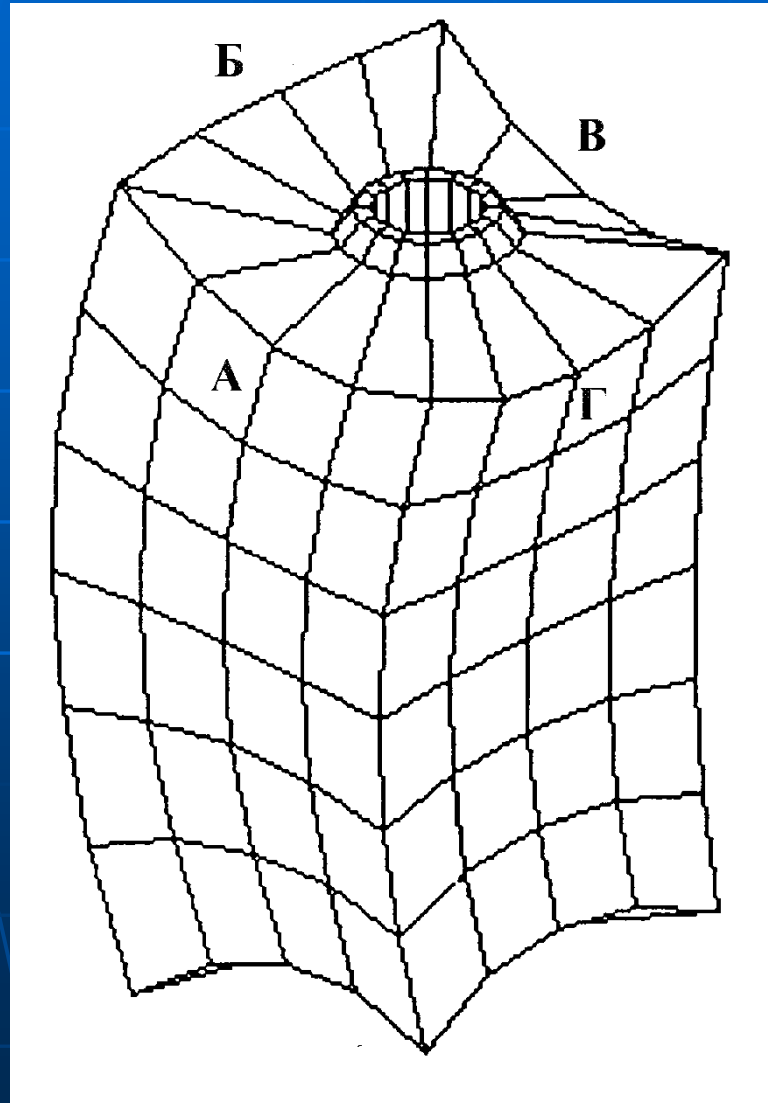
- Radiation swelling
- Degradation of thermo-mechanical properties
- Cracking and fracture



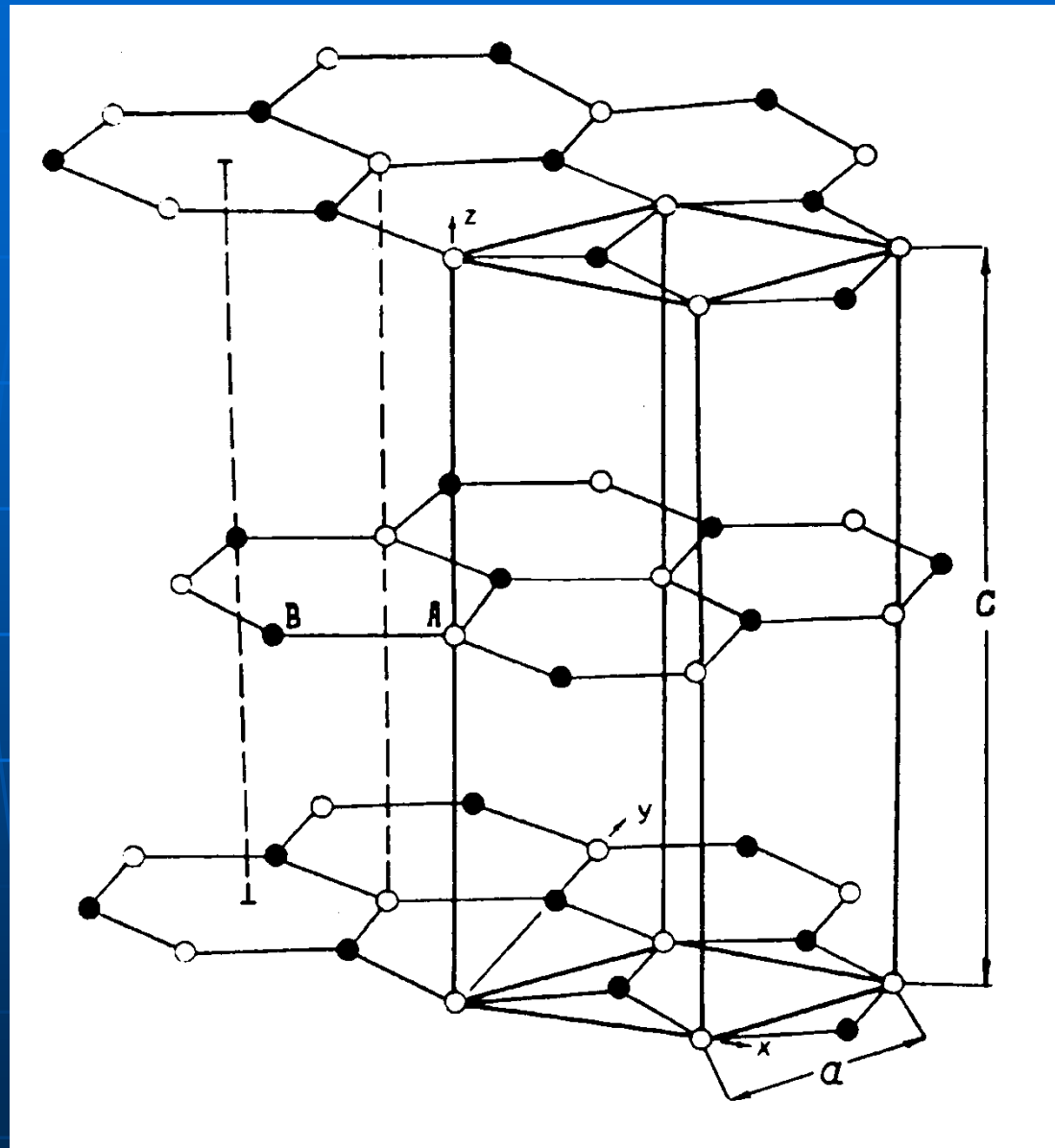
# Graphite Sheave for Atomic Station



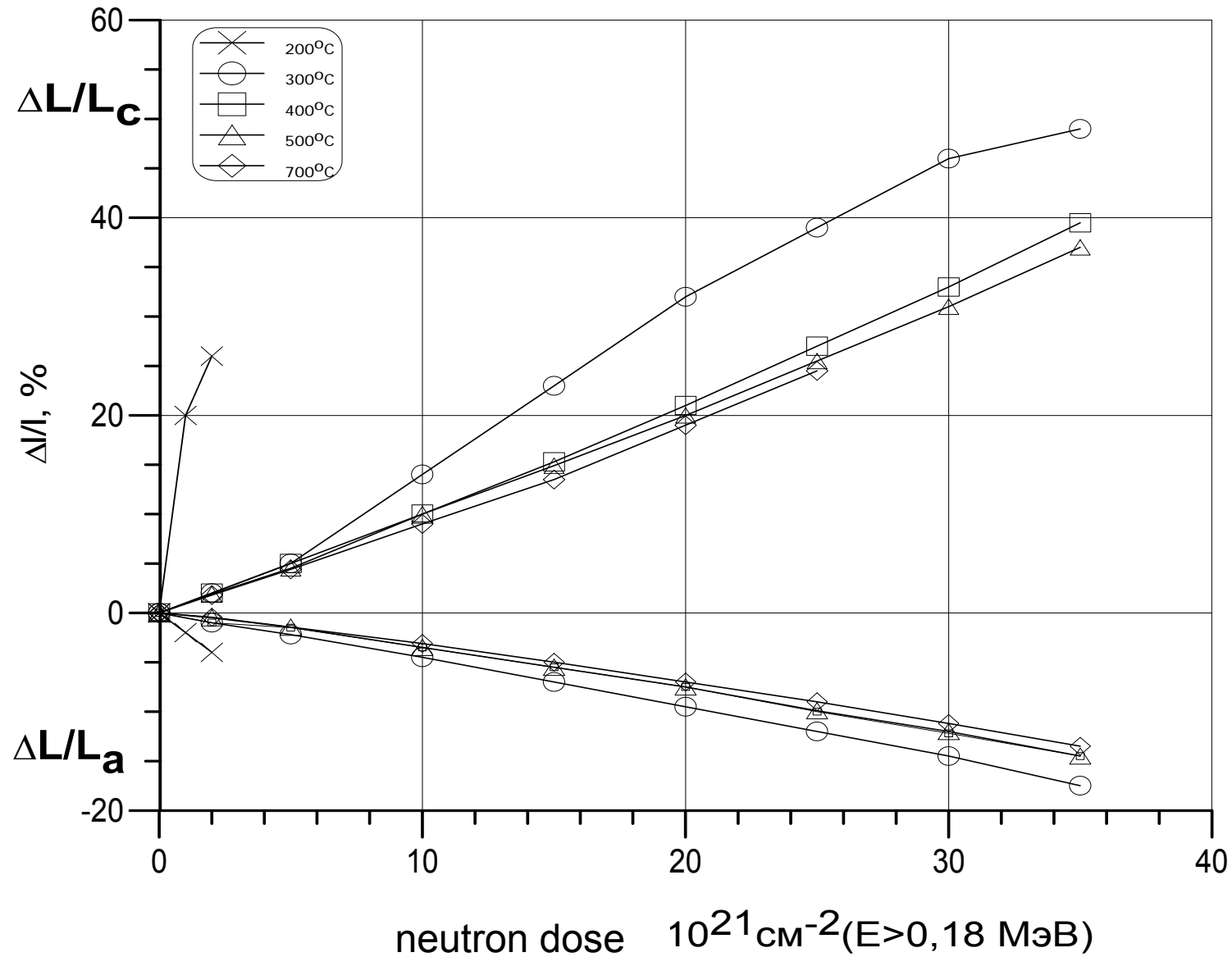
# Graphite Sheave after Irradiation in Atomic Station



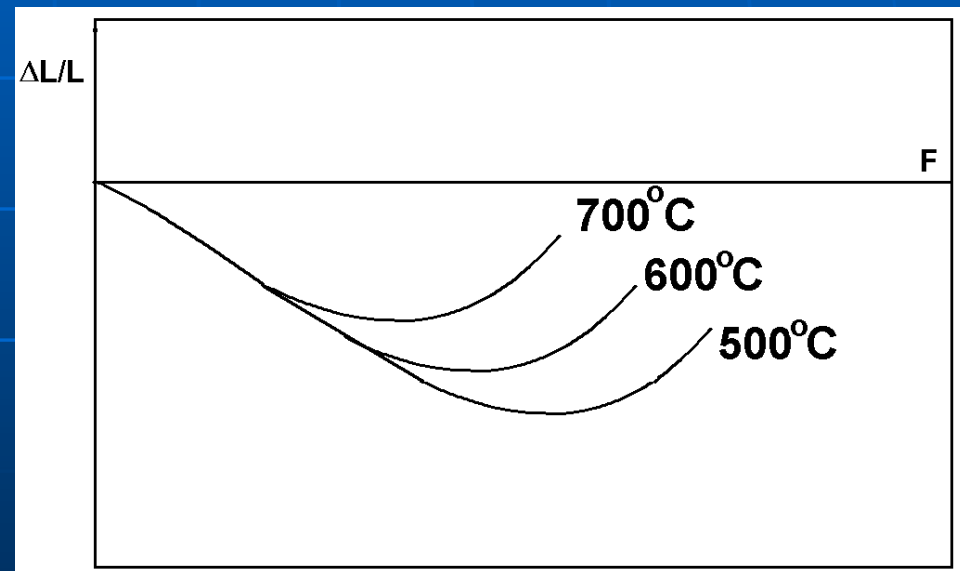
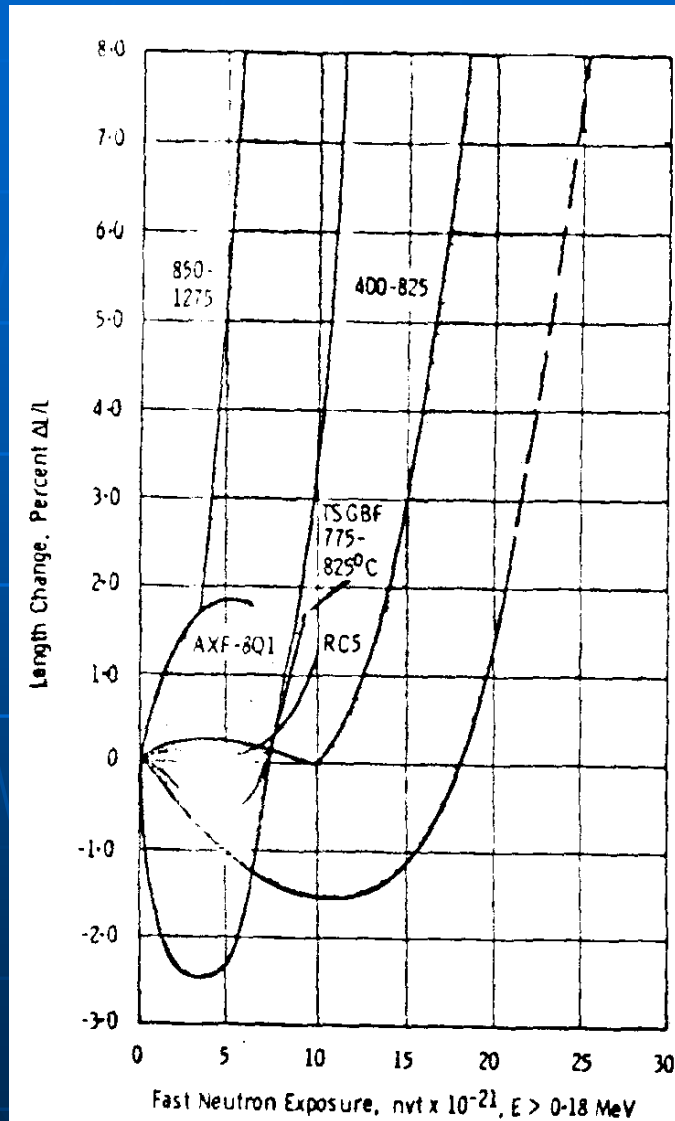
# Graphite Elementary Cell



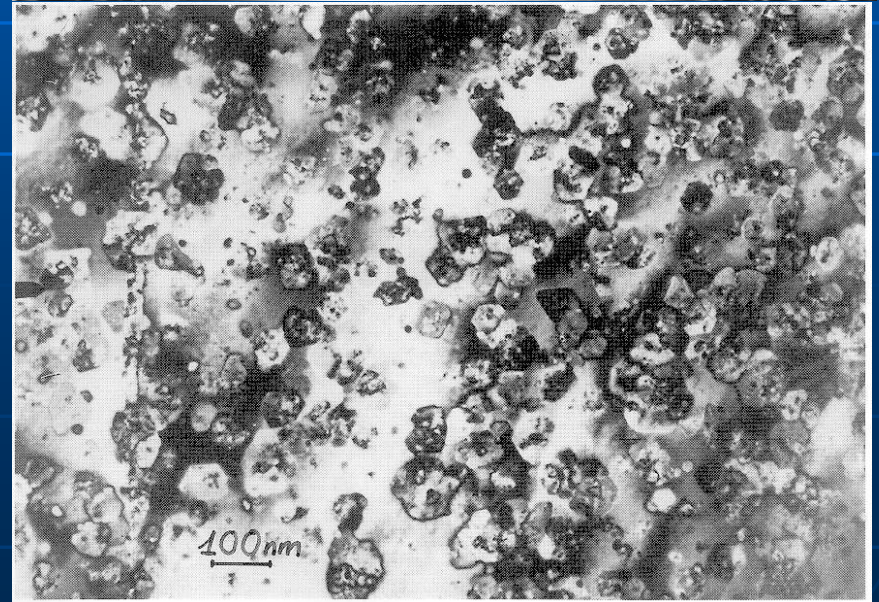
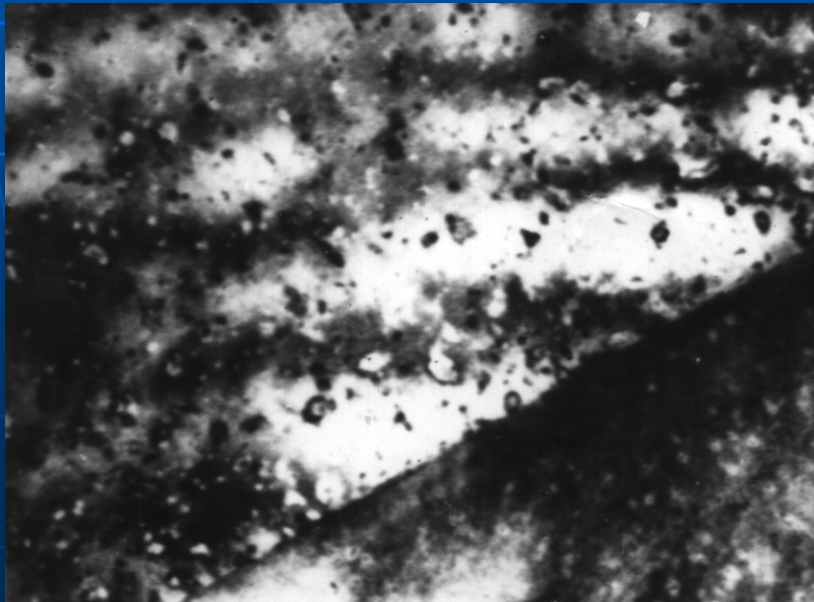
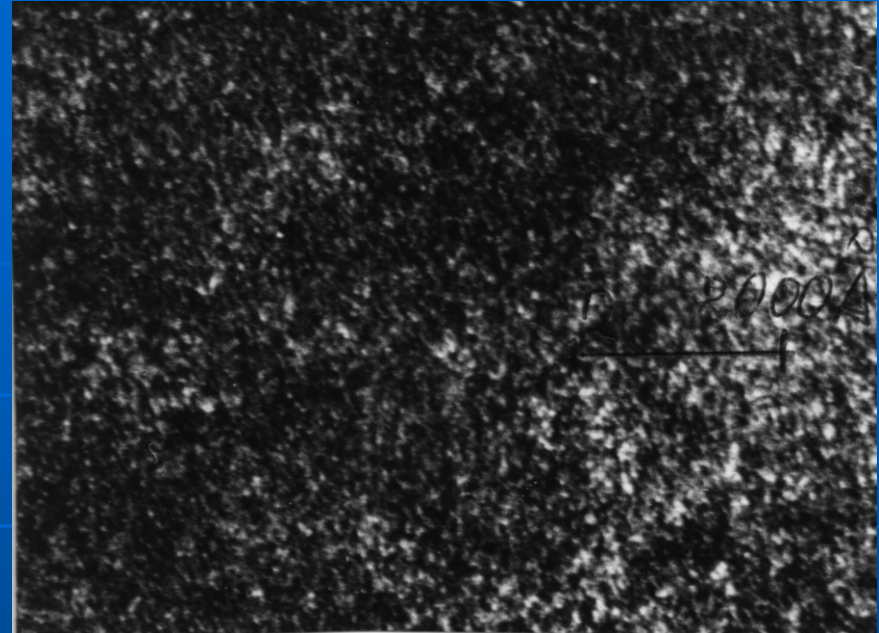
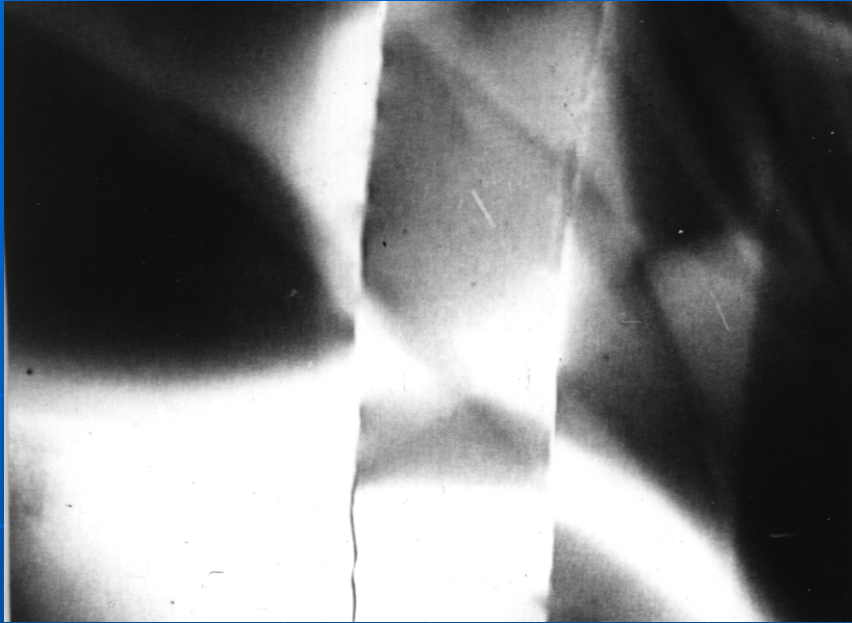
# Cell Size Change of Irradiated Pyrographite in Dependence on Irradiation Dose and Temperature



# Radiation Shrinkage and Swelling of Graphite

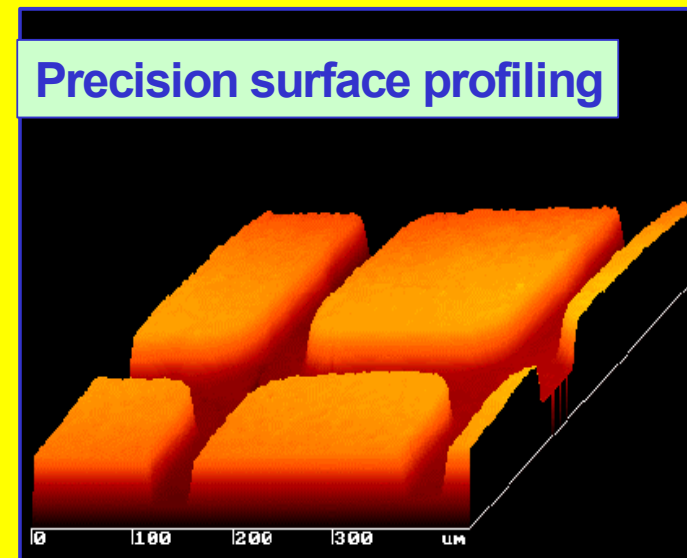
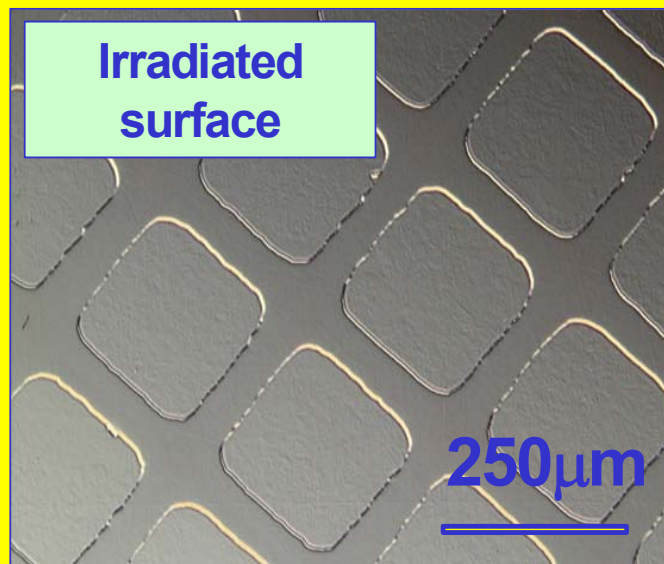
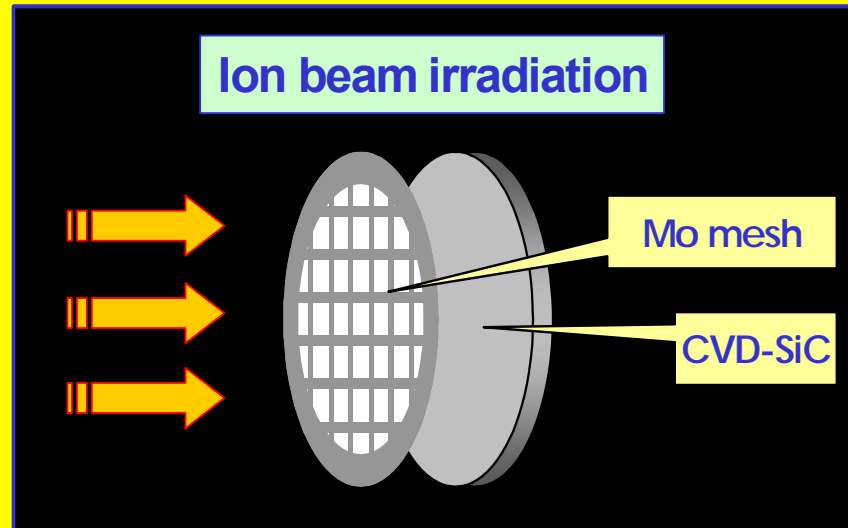


# Radiation Damage in Graphite

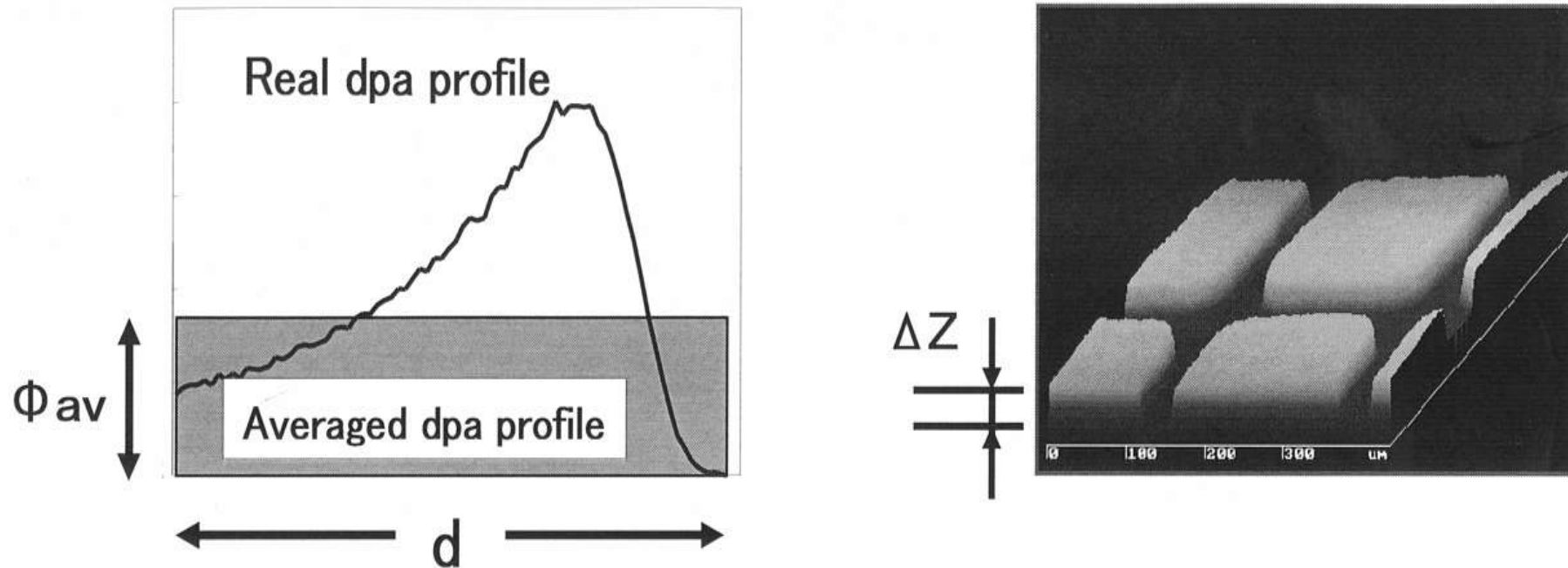


# Experimental tests of radiation resistance of SiC materials

## Ion beam irradiation and Surface profile characterization



# Experimental Measurement of Radiation Swelling



$$\Delta V/V (\Phi_{av}) \cong \Delta Z/d$$

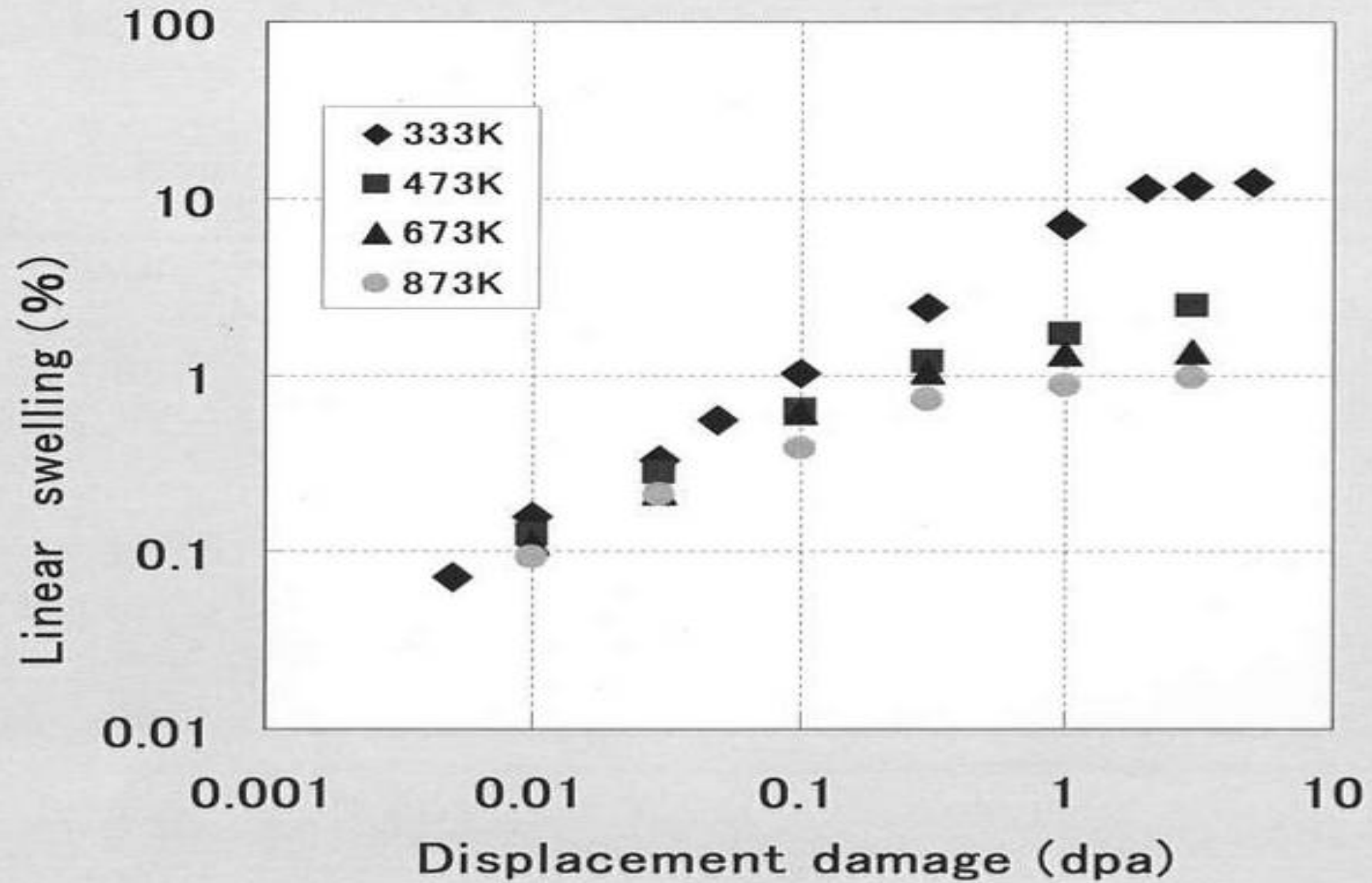
$\Phi_{av}$  – Averaged dpa profile,

$\Delta Z$  - Height of step between irradiated and no irradiated area,

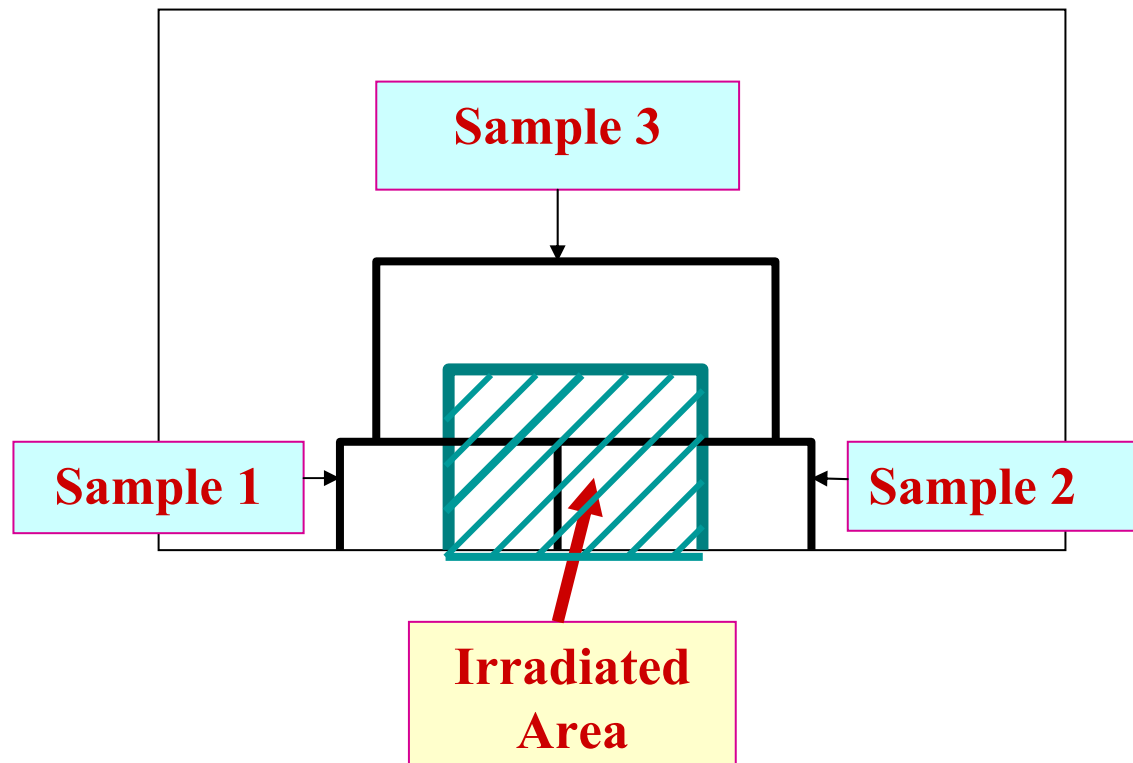
$d$  - Penetration depth of irradiated sample.



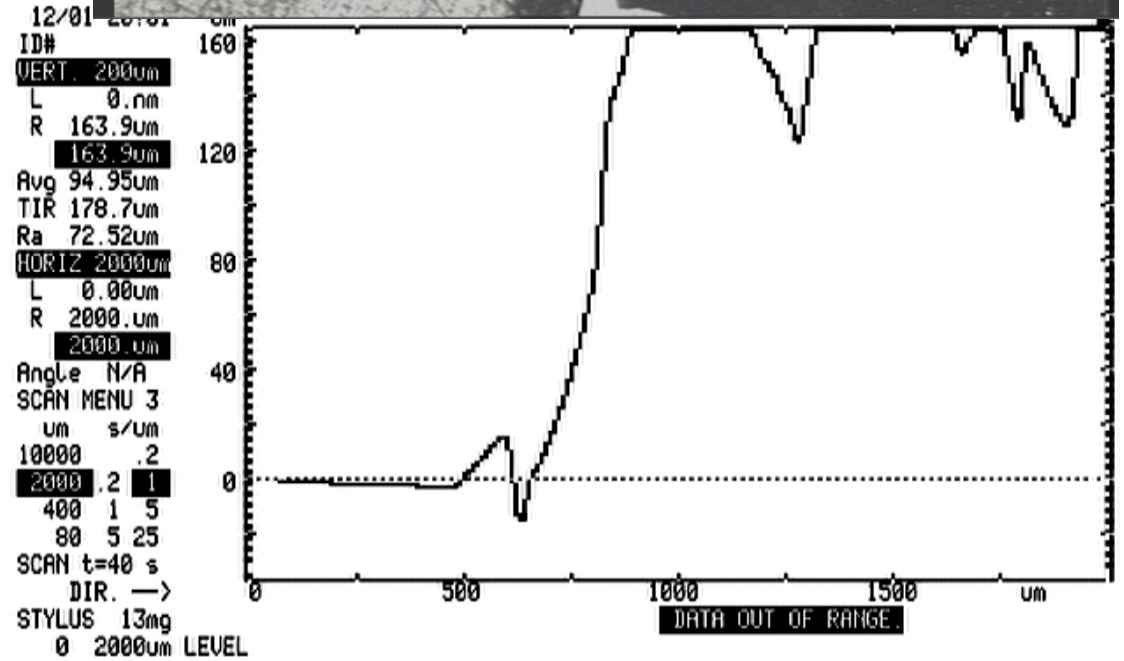
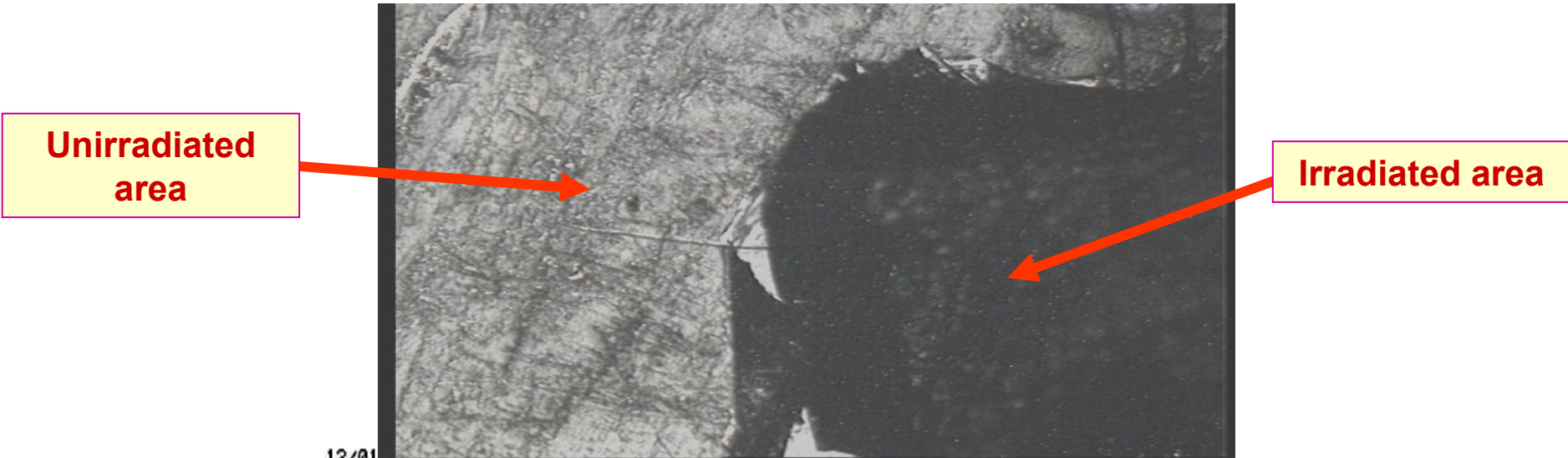
# Dose dependence of radiation swelling in SiC



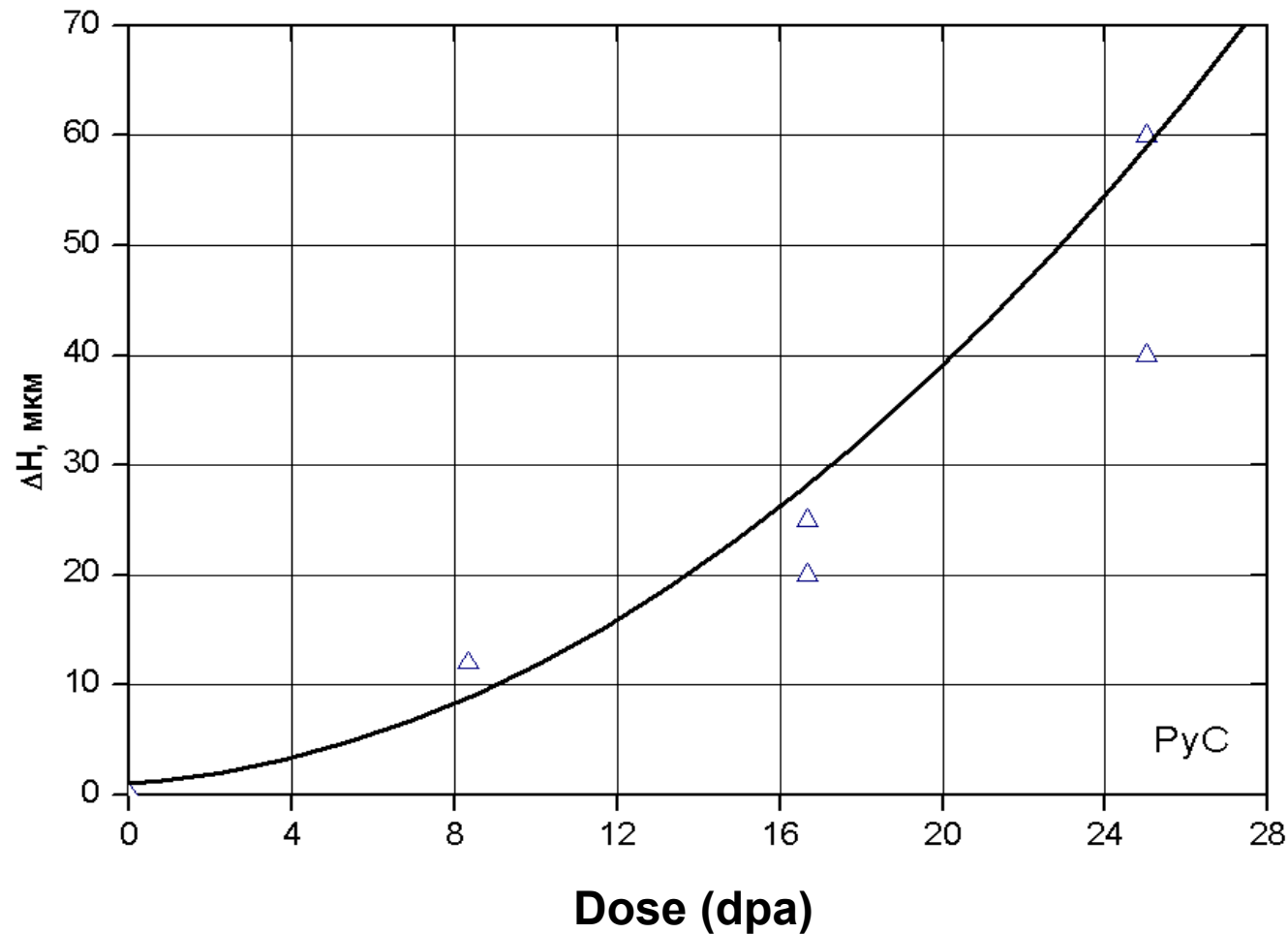
# Scheme of Irradiation of Graphite Samples by Carbon Ions



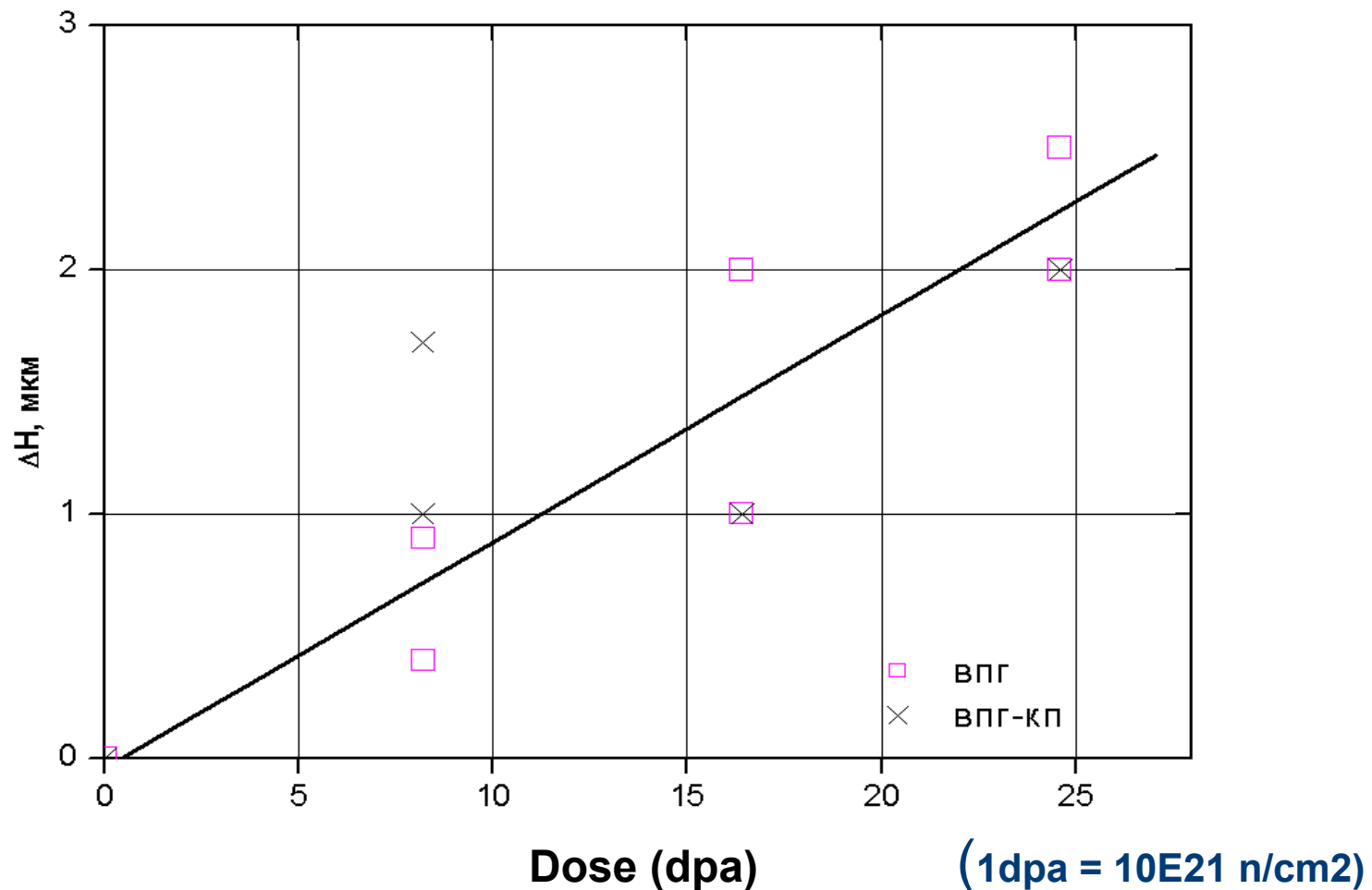
# Picture of Irradiated and Unirradiated Sample Area, Measurement of Radiation Swelling



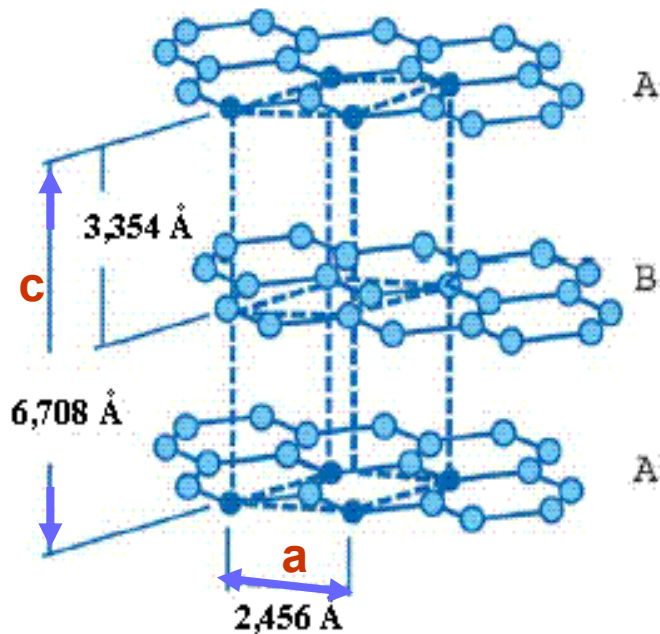
# Dose Dependence of Radiation Swelling Pyrolytic graphite at $E_c = 3$ MeV, $T=450$ C



# Dose Dependence of Radiation Swelling Reactor Graphite at $E_c = 3$ MeV, $T=450$ C



## Graphite - two diametrical anisotropic diffusivity



Crystal lattice of graphite

*Current of point defects on dislocation loop:*

$$J_L = -2\pi b Z_L D_m C_m$$

*Current of point defects on spherical void:*

$$J_V = -4\pi R_V Z_V D_m C_m$$

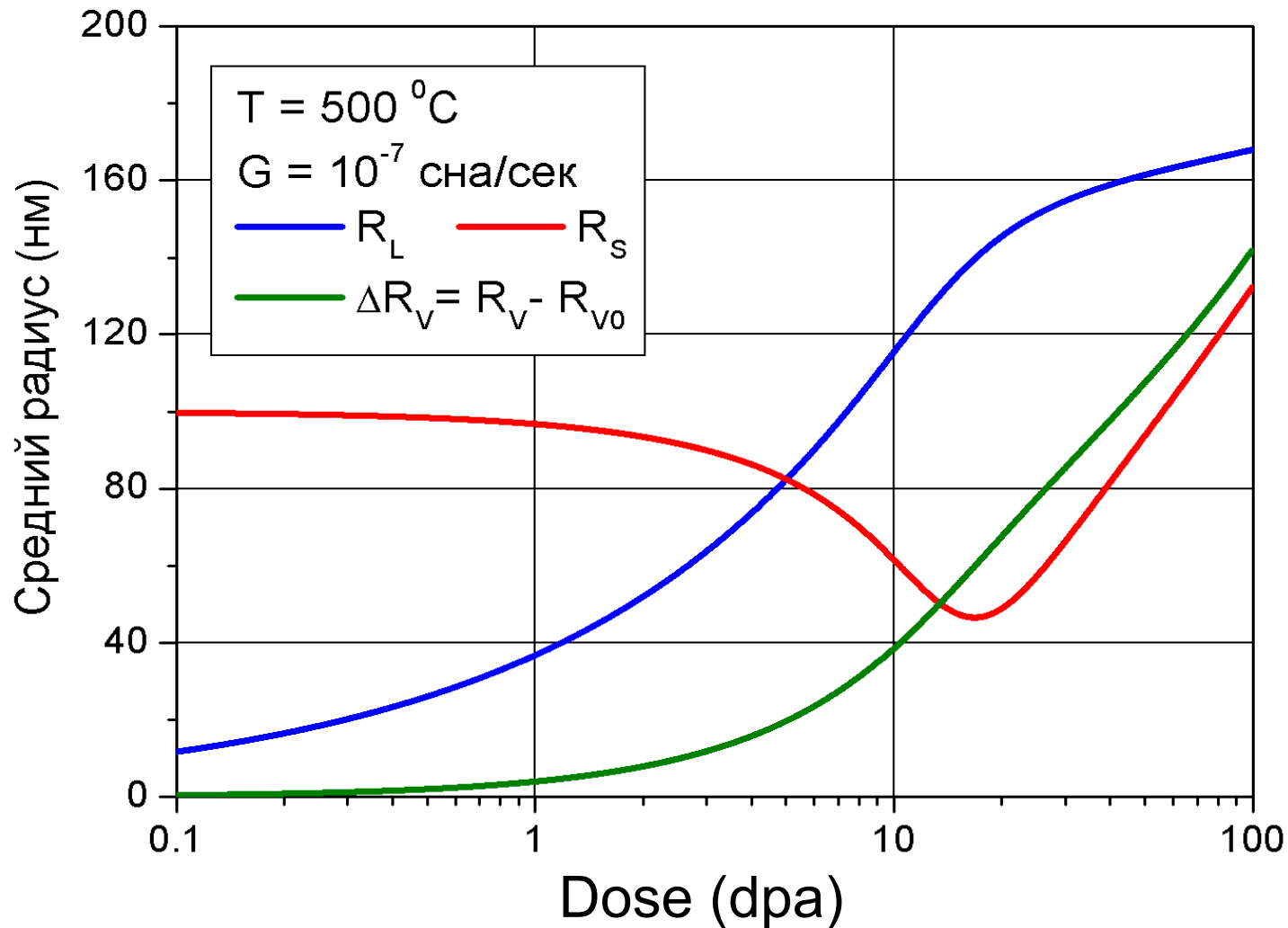
*Current of point defects on disk void:*

$$J_S = -2\pi d Z_S D_m C_m$$

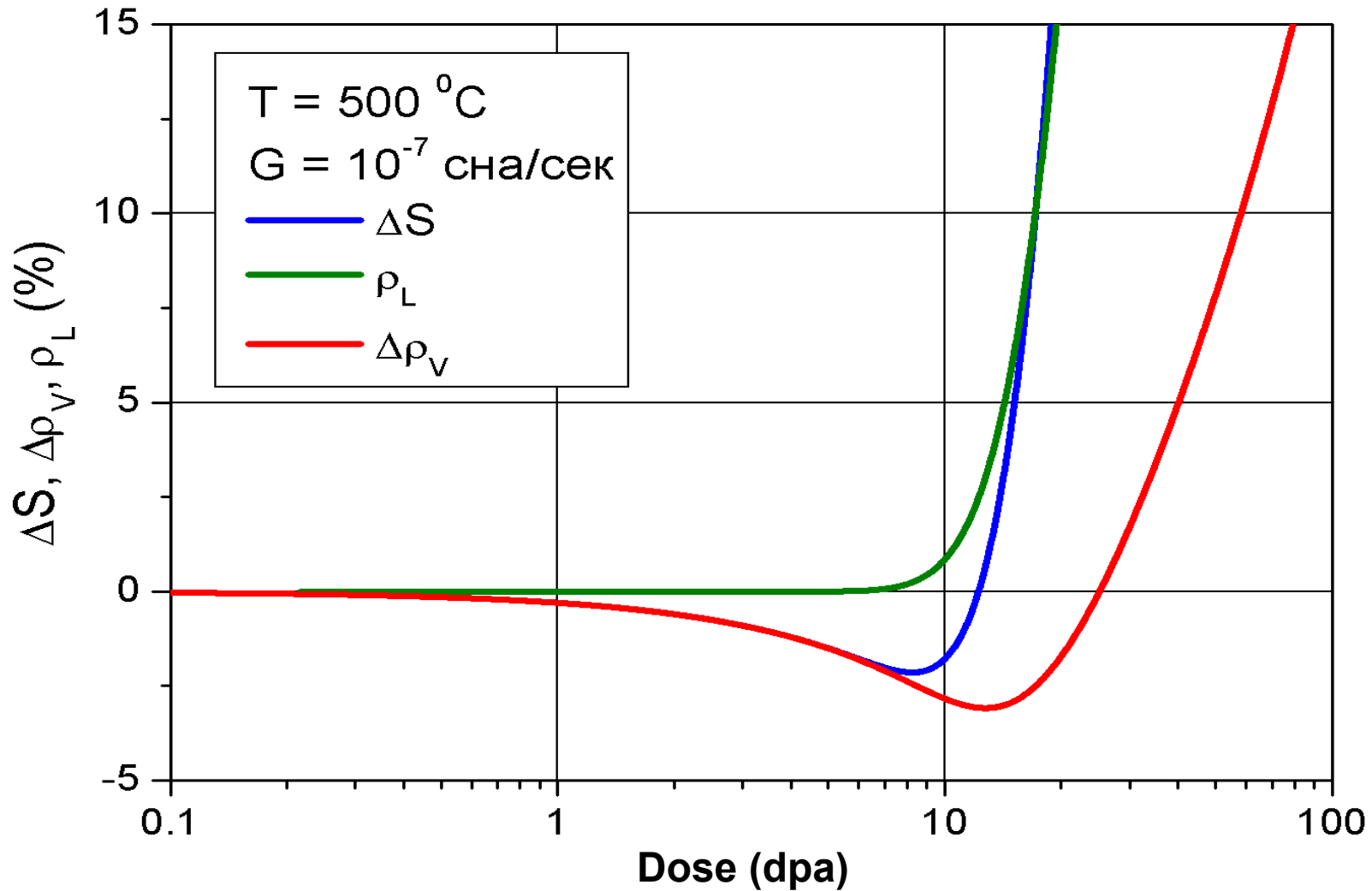
*Radiation swelling of graphite:*

$$S = 2,72C_i - 0,08C_v + 1,242N_L V_L + \Delta\rho_V$$

# Dose dependence of void and loop radius

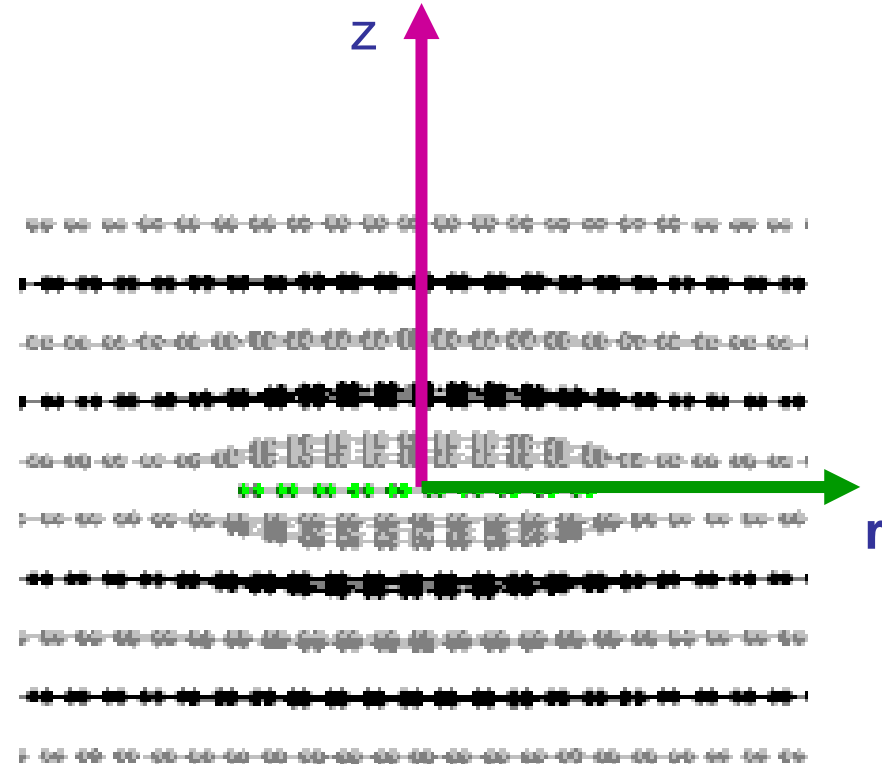
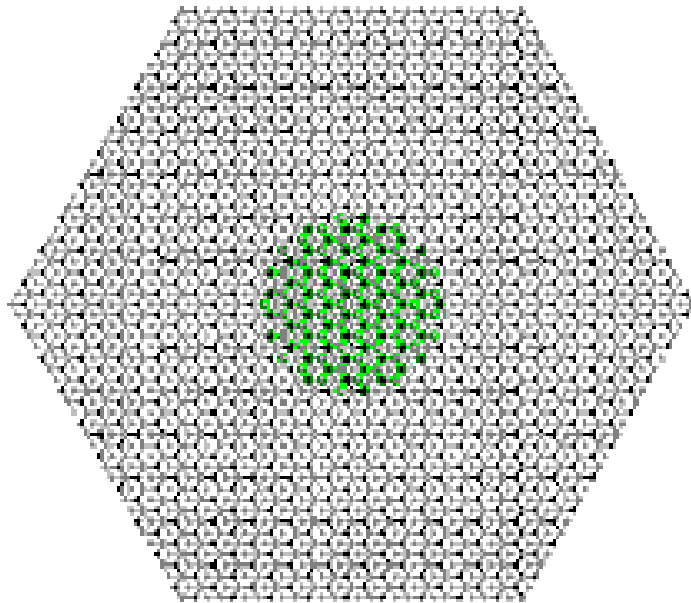


# Dose dependence of swelling

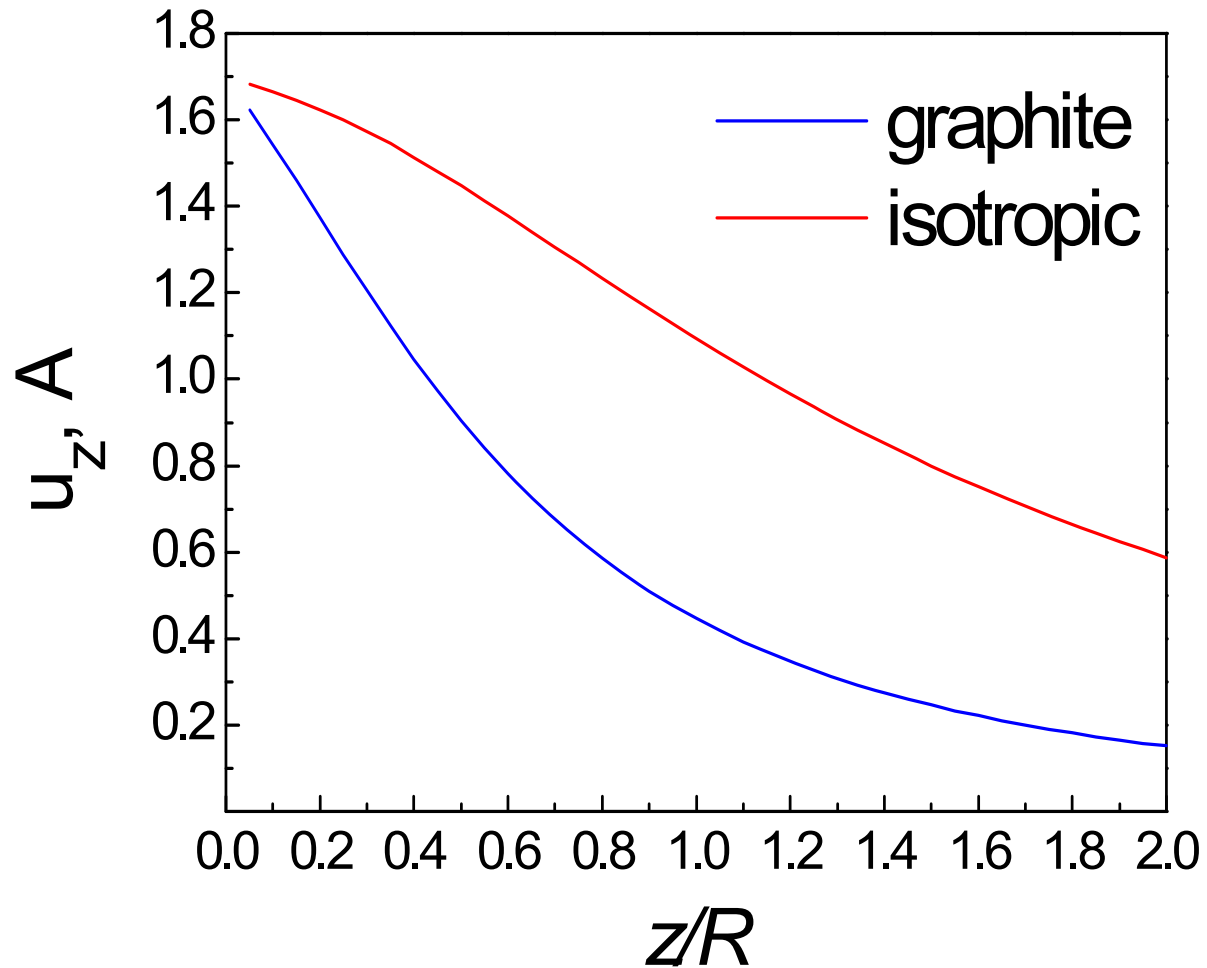




# Modeling of dislocation loops in graphite

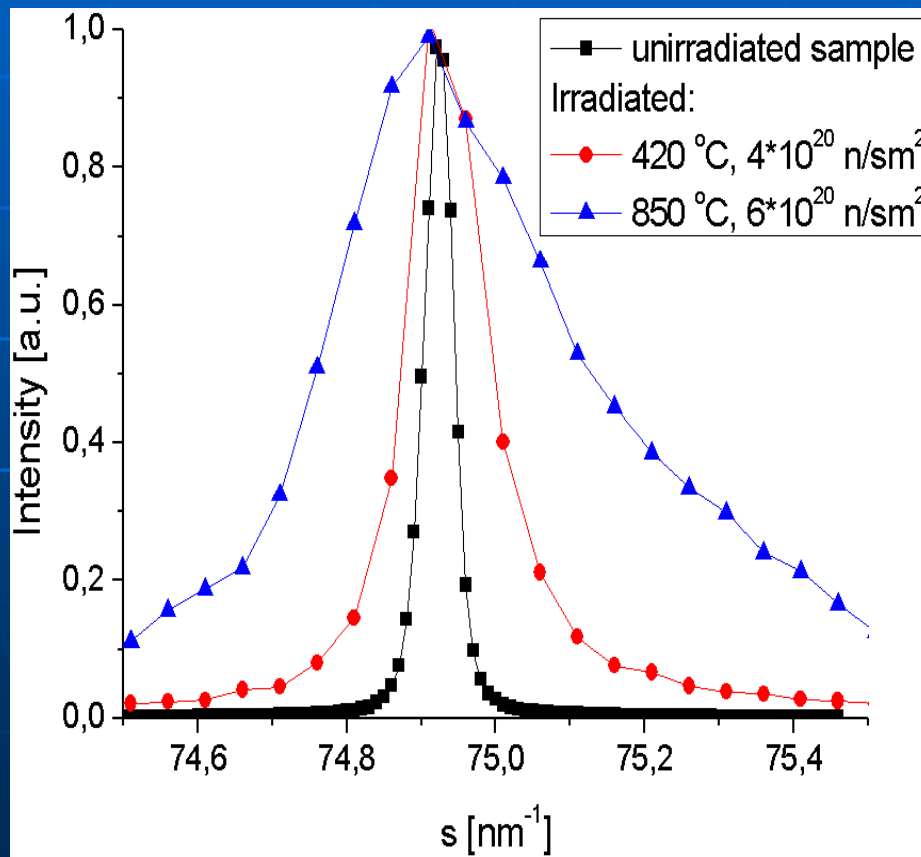


**Distribution of displacement field  $U_z$  near dislocation loop in graphite as a function of distance from loop**

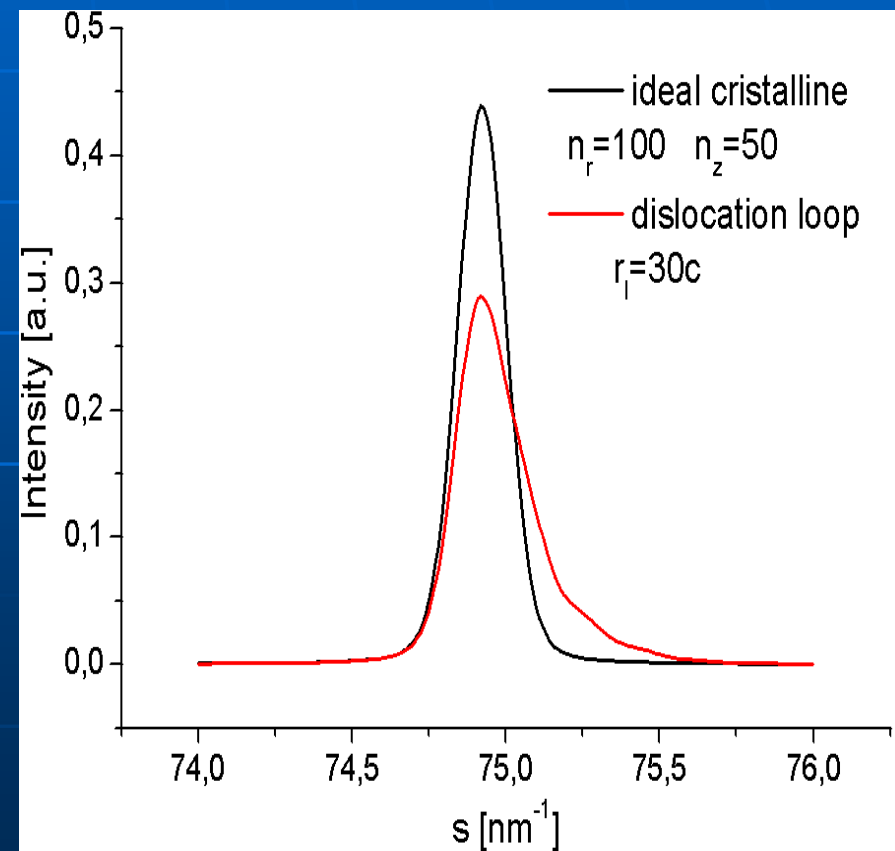


# Bragg scattering in neutron irradiated graphite

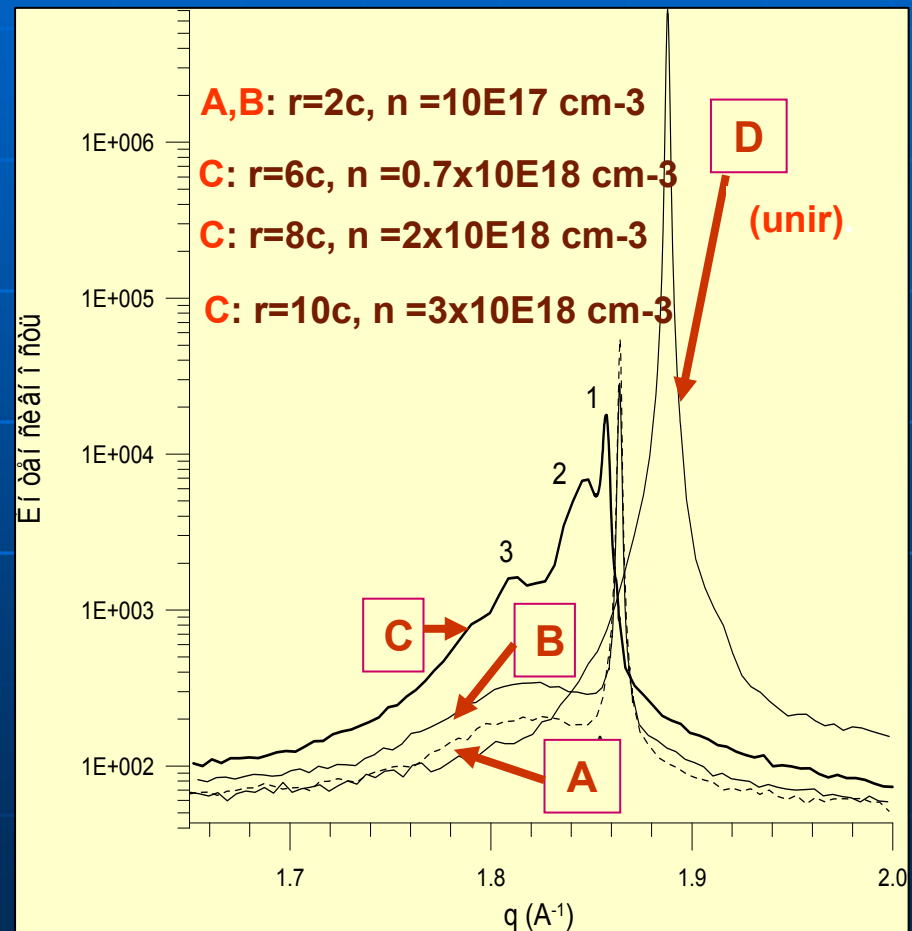
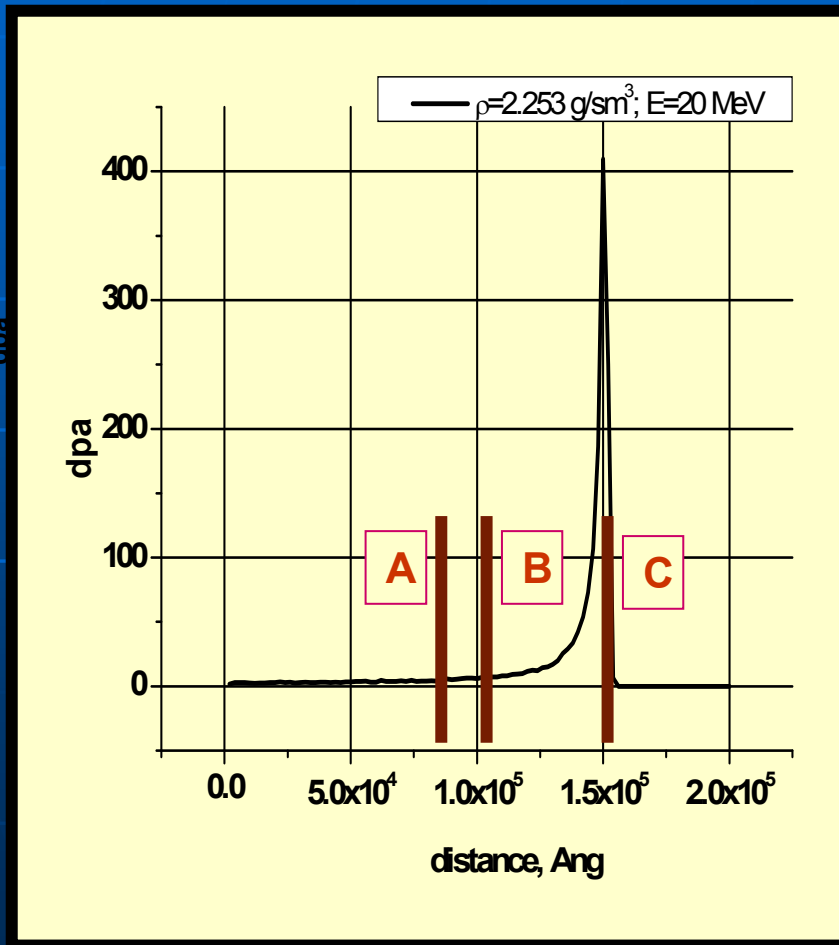
## Experimental Results



## Theoretical calculations

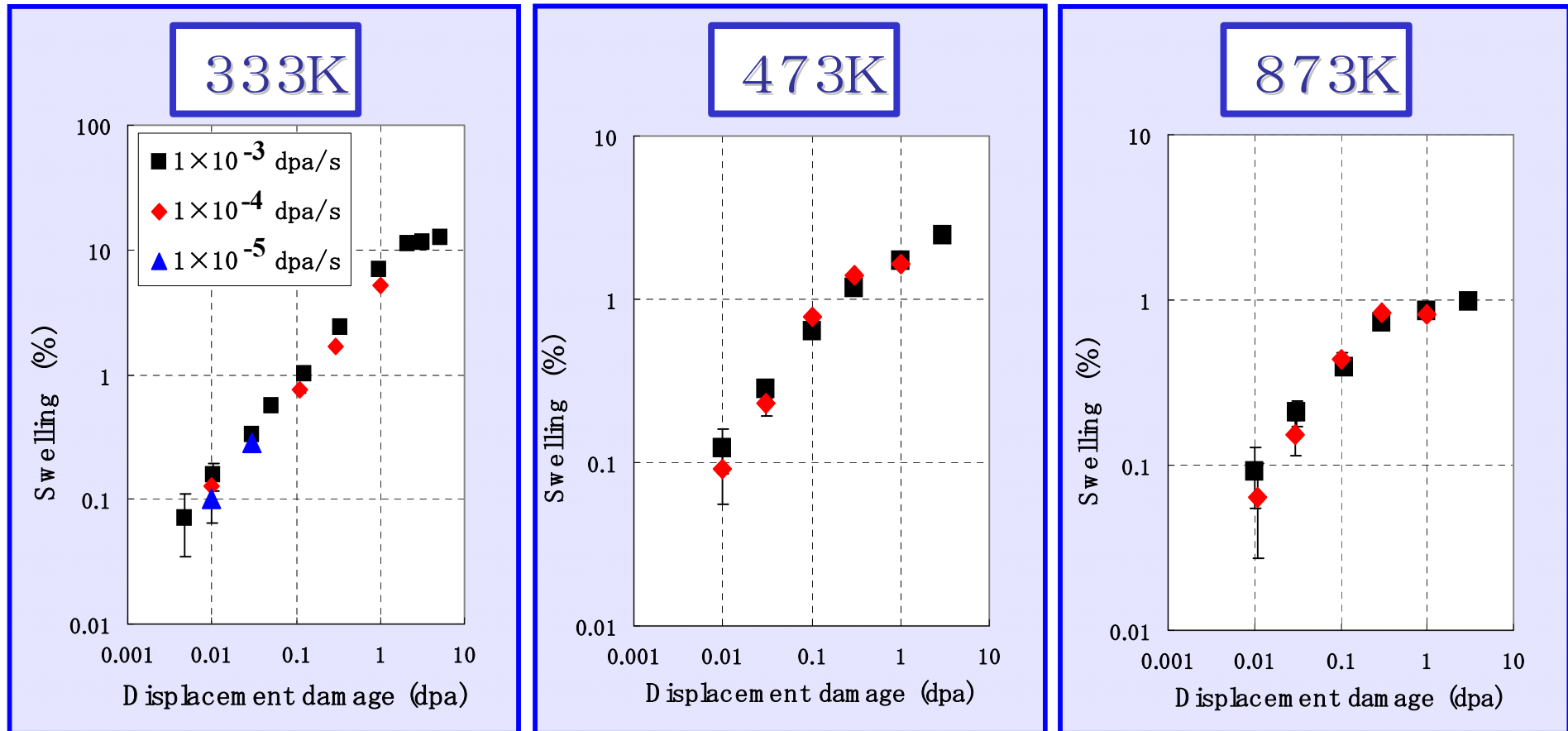


# Bragg scattering in C-ion irradiated graphite with energy 20 MeV



# ***Radiation Resistance of Ceramic Materials***

# Dose rate dependence of Ion-induced swelling in CVD-SiC



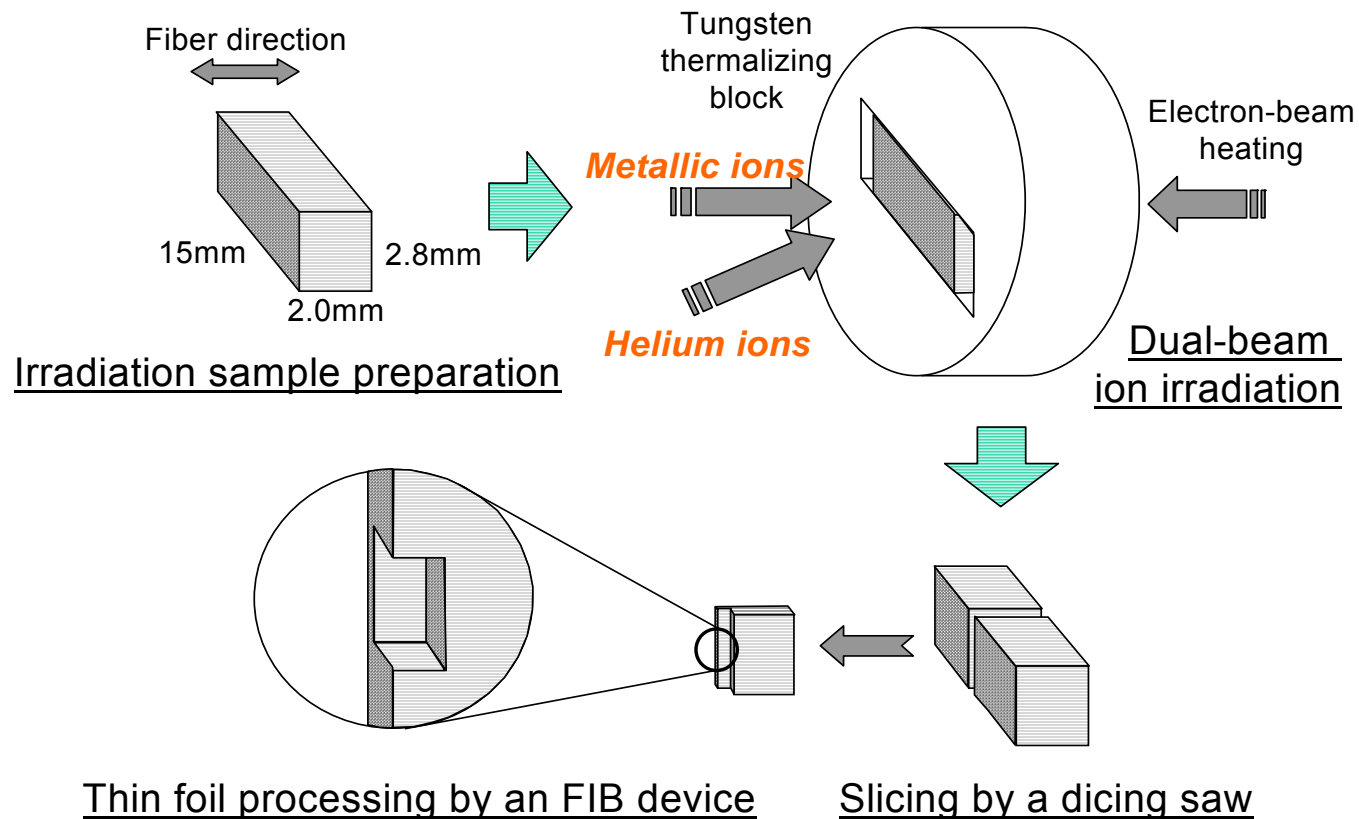
The displacement damage rates were  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $1 \times 10^{-3}$  dpa/s at 333K-873K and  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  dpa/s at 333K with single-beam irradiation. The error bars represent the 96% confidence limits for the Gaussian distribution. (A. Kohyama)

# Effect of Helium on Radiation Swelling of SiC

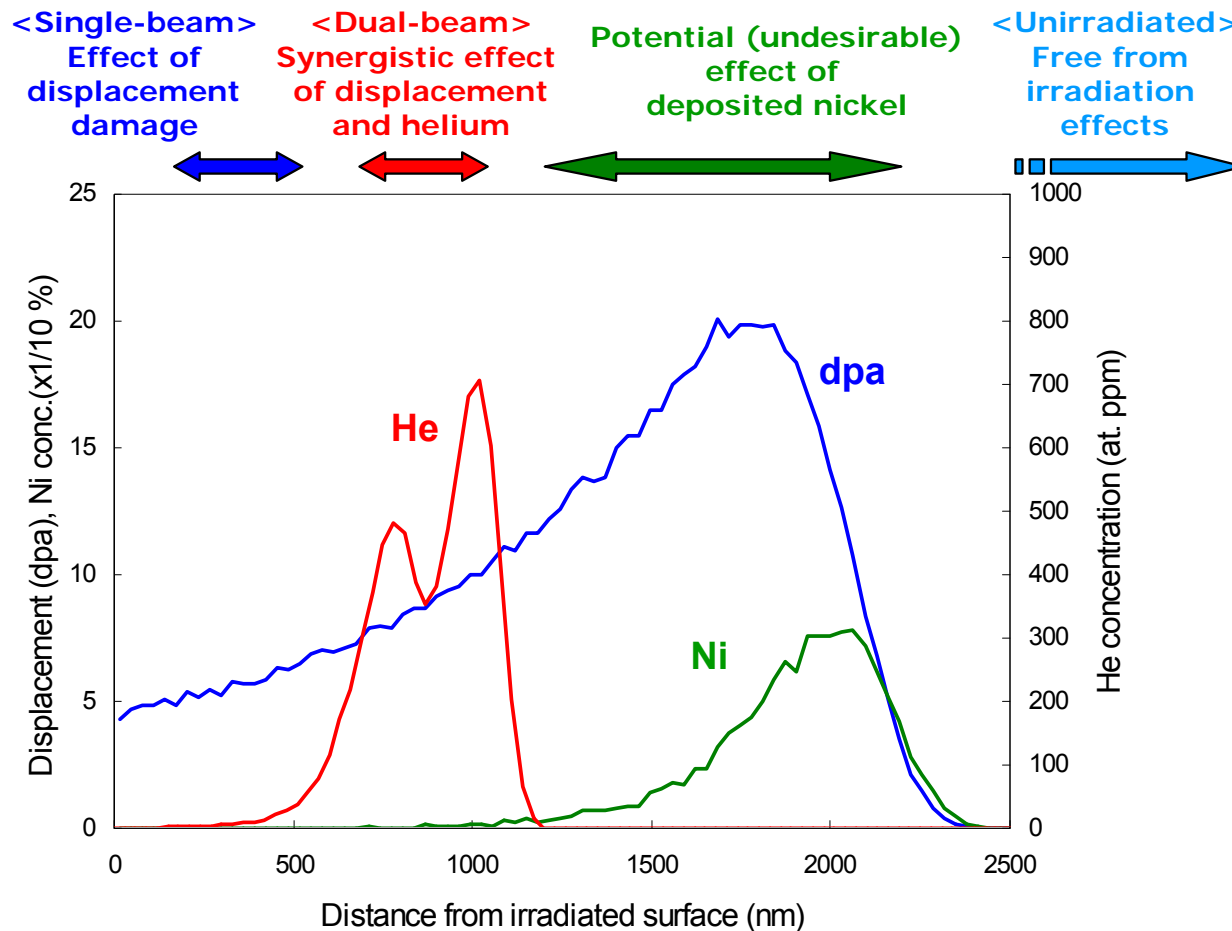
*Experimental procedure illustrated*

**A. Kohyama**

Kyoto University



Profiles of displacement damage and deposited Ni in irradiated monolithic SiC. Calculated by TRIM-92 assuming  $E_d=35\text{eV}$ ,  $\rho=3.21\text{g/cm}^3$ .

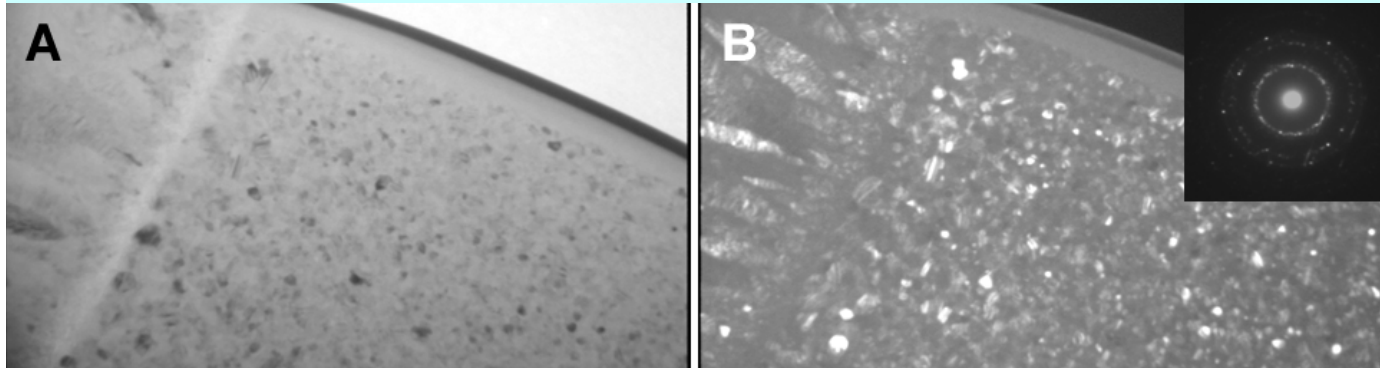


Depth-profiles of atomic displacement damage, deposited He and Ni ions in dual-beam irradiated randomly oriented micro-crystalline SiC calculated by TRIM-92 assuming target mass density of  $3.21\text{g/cm}^3$  and average displacement threshold energy of  $35\text{eV}$ .

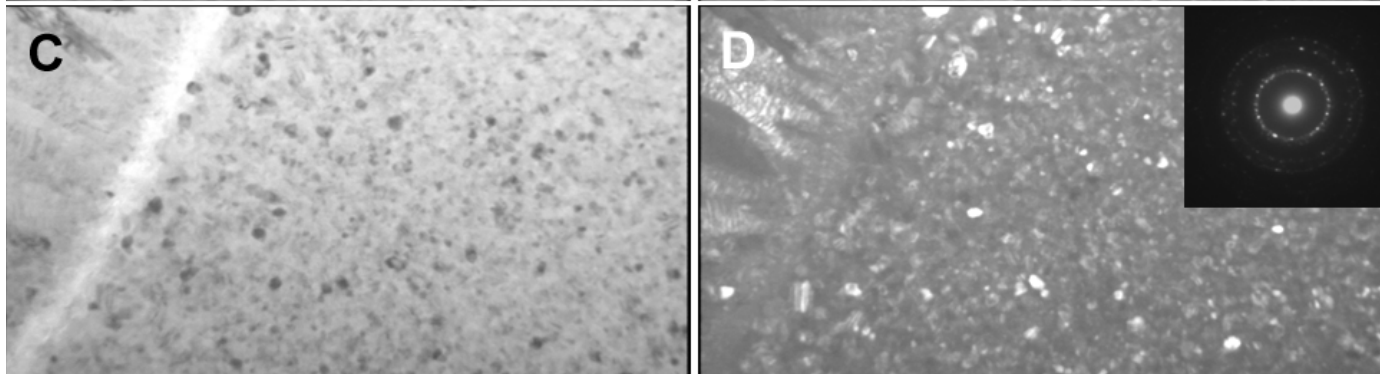


**TEM images and SAD patterns for singlebeam (A,B), dual-beam (C,D) and unirradiated (E,F) regions of Hi-Nicalon® Type-S/C/SiC composite**

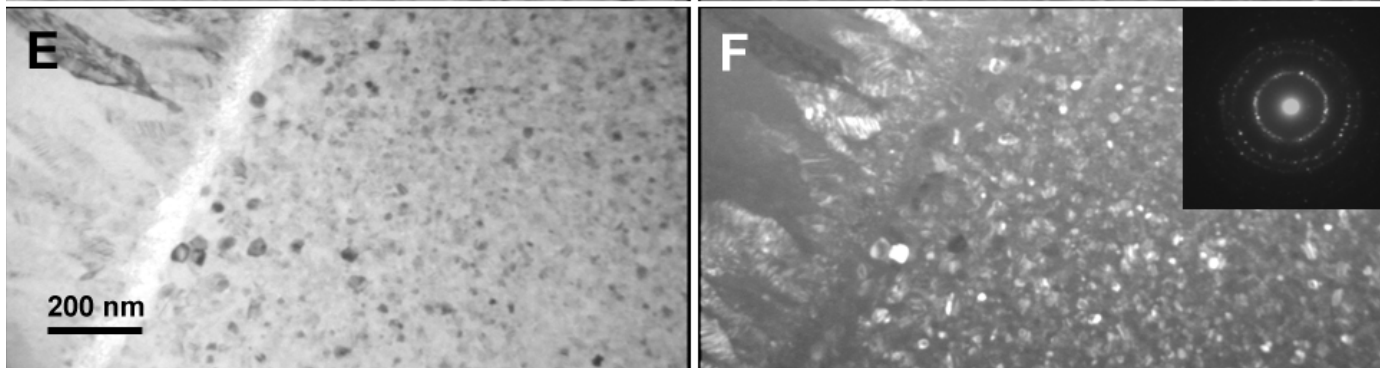
Single-beam  
10 dpa  
873 K  
 $1 \times 10^{-3}$  dpa/s



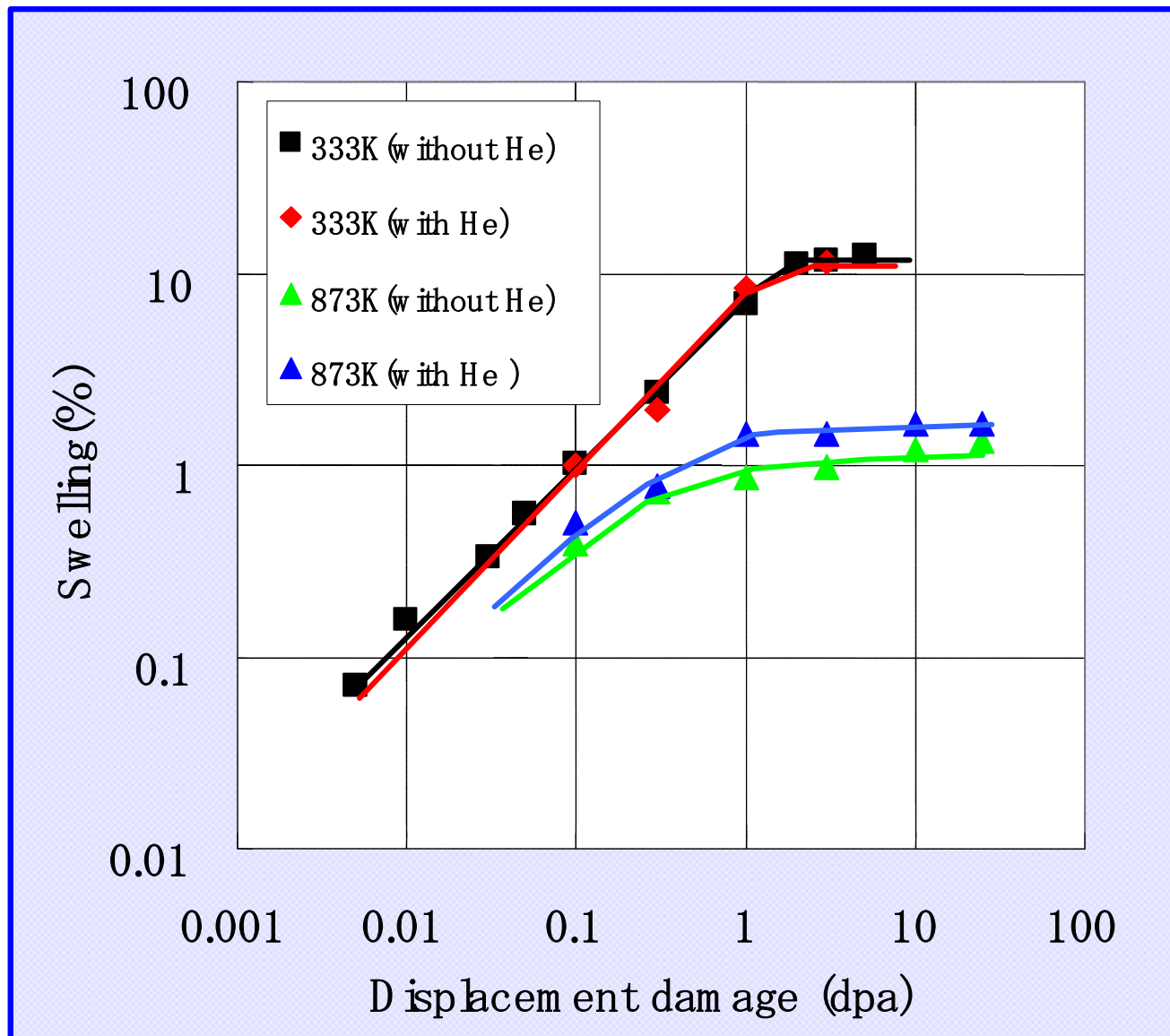
Dual-beam  
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873 K  
 $1 \times 10^{-3}$  dpa/s  
60appm-  
He/dpa



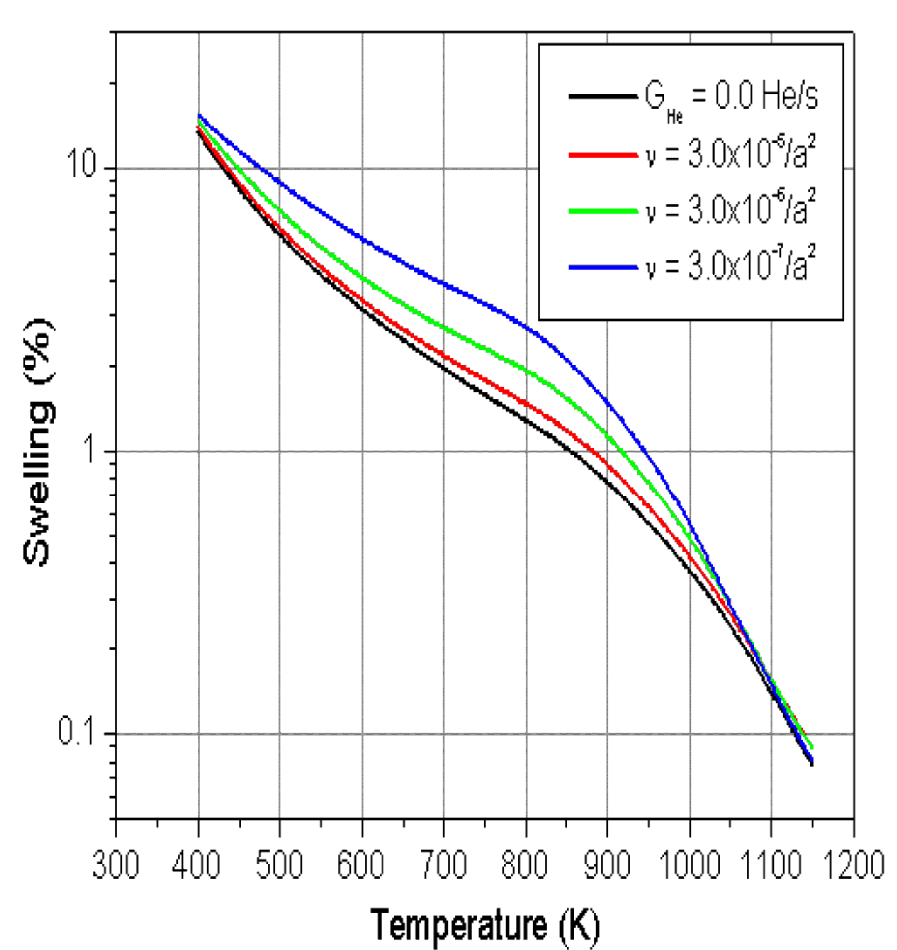
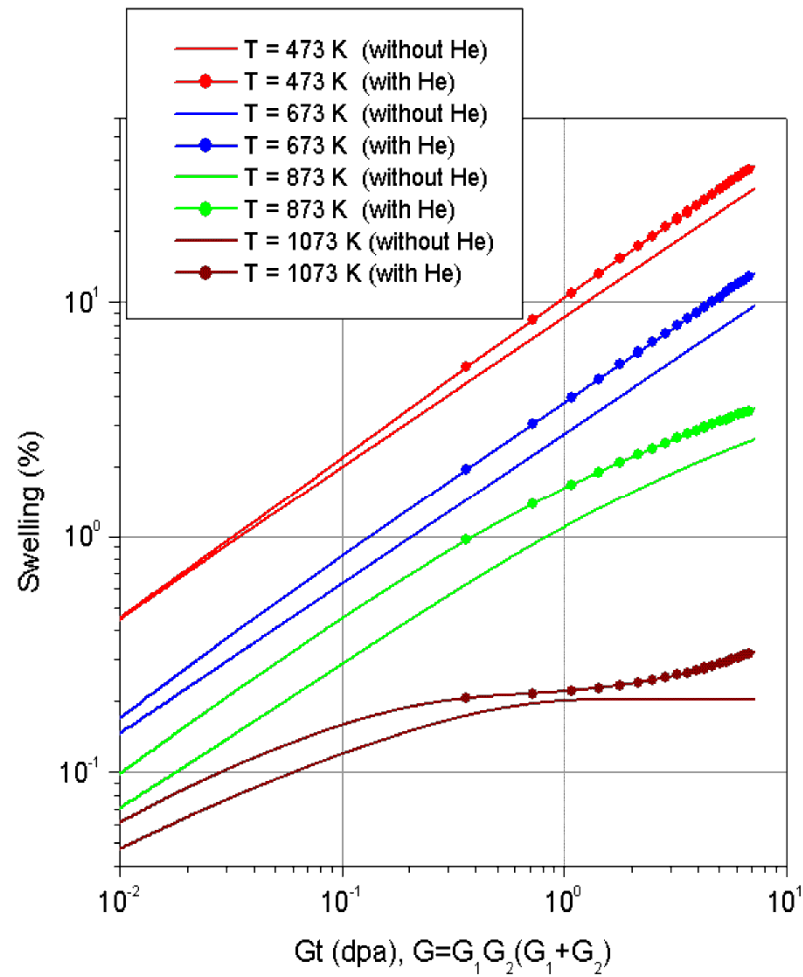
Unirradiated  
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# Dual ion beam irradiation-induced swelling in CVD-SiC

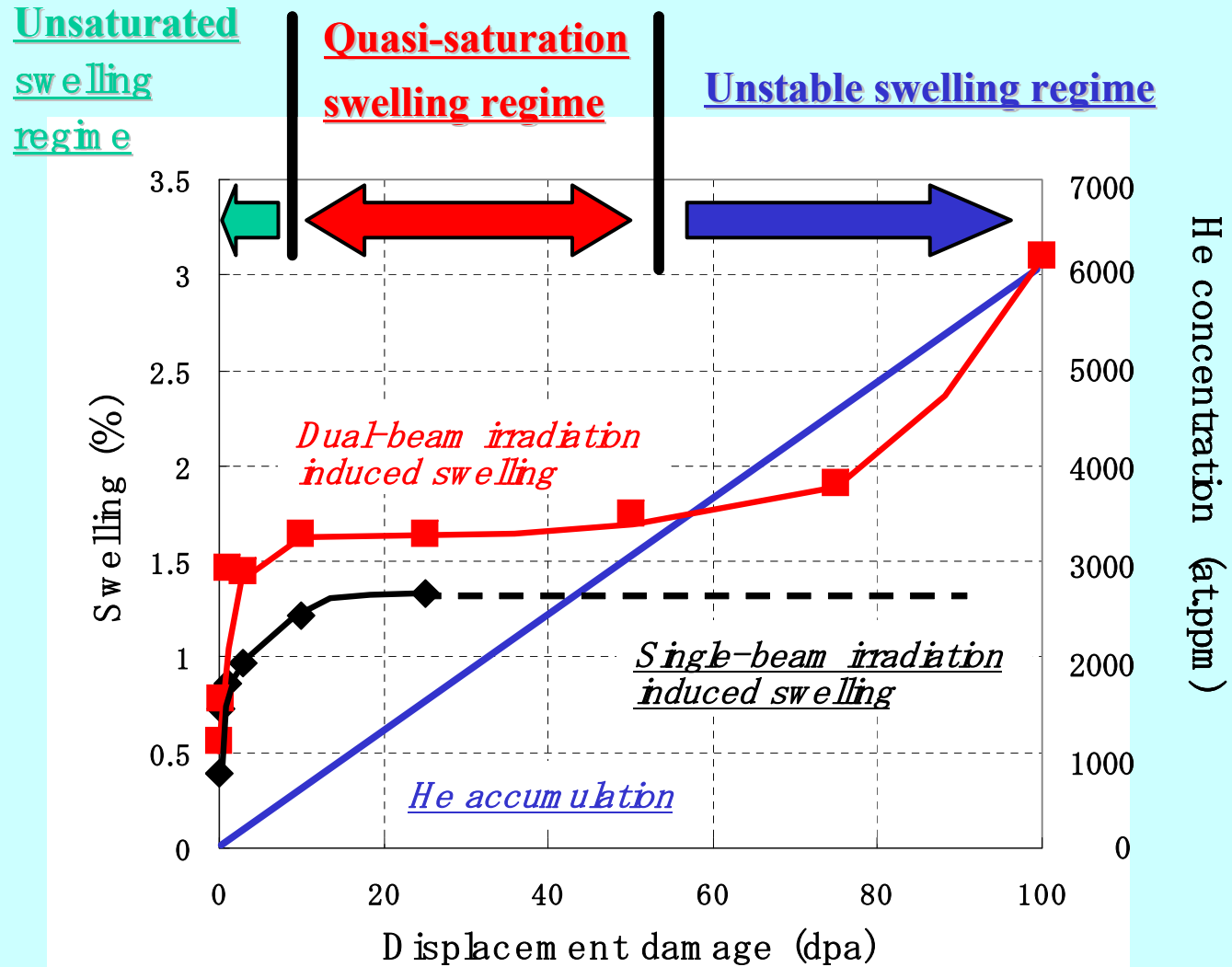


# Theoretical Calculations of effect of Helium on Radiation Swelling in SiC at RRC KI



A.Ryazanov, A.Kohyama et al

# He accumulation and irradiation-induced swelling in dual- and single-ion irradiated CVD-SiC at 873K



# Difference between metals and dielectrics

## Metals:

- Point defects are neutral
- Electric field does not exist in the matrix

## Dielectrics (Ceramic Materials):

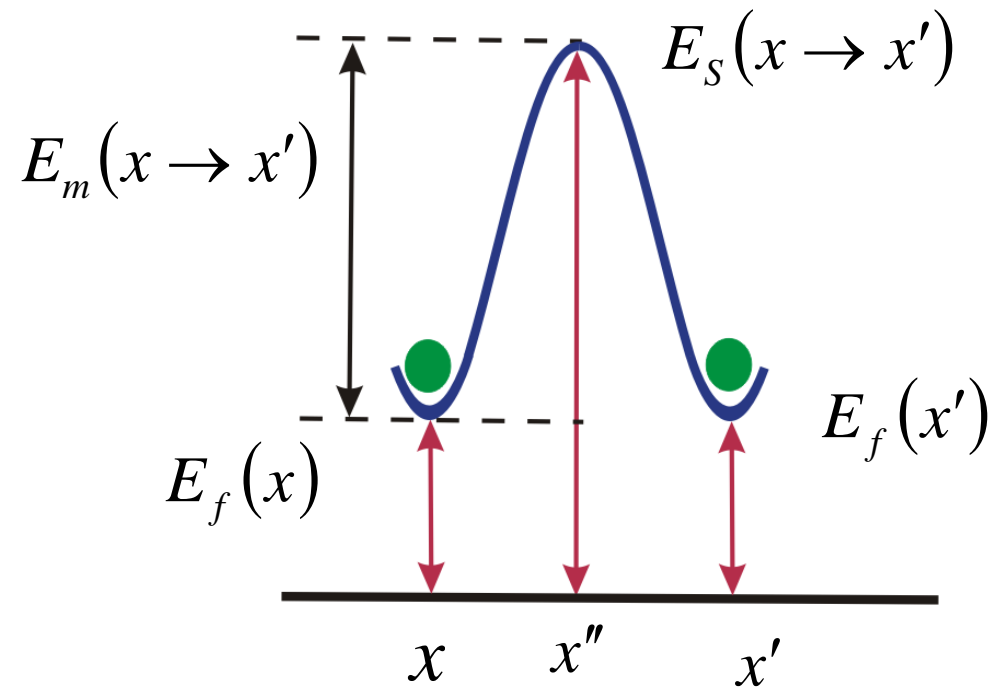
- Point defects can have effective charge
- Electric field exists in the matrix under the influence of an applied electric field
- Driving force due to an electric field can have a strong effect on diffusivity of charged point defects

# Metals ( $E_0 = 0$ )

● Interstitial

● Vacancy

$$q_I = q_V = 0$$



$$\mathbf{J}_\alpha = -D_\alpha \nabla C_\alpha, \quad (\alpha = I, V)$$

# Dielectrics ( $\mathbf{E}_0 \neq 0$ )

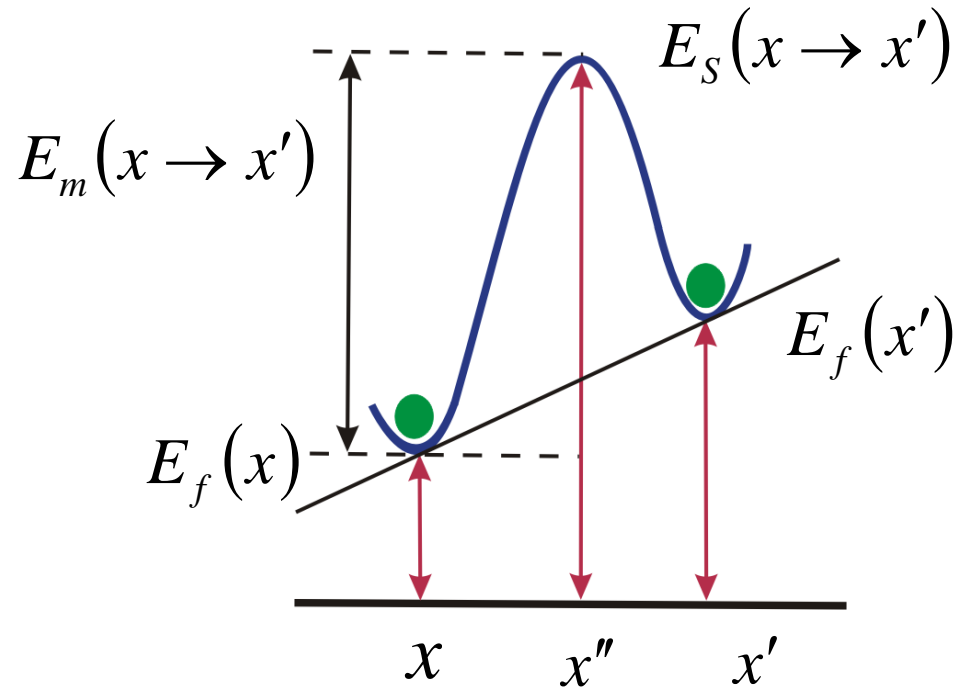
● **Interstitial**

$q_I$



**Vacancy**

$q_V$

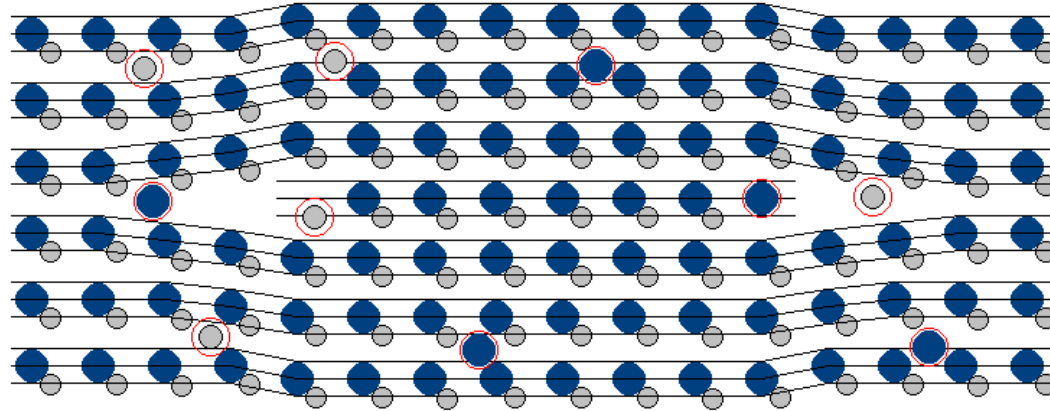


$$E_{S\alpha}(x \rightarrow x') = E_{S\alpha}^0 + q_{I\alpha}\phi(x) + q_{V\alpha}(\mathbf{x}'' - \mathbf{x})\nabla\phi(x)$$

$$E_{f\alpha}(x) = E_{f\alpha}^0 + q_{I\alpha}\phi(x)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_\alpha = -D_\alpha \nabla C_\alpha - \frac{q_\alpha}{kT} D_\alpha C_\alpha \nabla \phi, \quad (\alpha = I, V)$$

# Modeling of Dislocation Loops in Ceramic Materials (SiC)



## System of Equations

$$D_m \Delta C_m + \frac{qV_m}{kT} D_m \nabla (C_m \nabla \varphi) = 0$$

$$\Delta \varphi = -\frac{4\pi}{\epsilon \omega} \left( \sum_m qV_m C_m + \rho \right)$$

## Boundary Conditions

$$\begin{aligned} C_m|_S &= 0 & C_m(r \rightarrow \infty) &= C_{m0} \\ \varphi(r \rightarrow \infty) &= 0 & \sum_m (qV_m \mathbf{j}_m, \mathbf{n})|_S &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



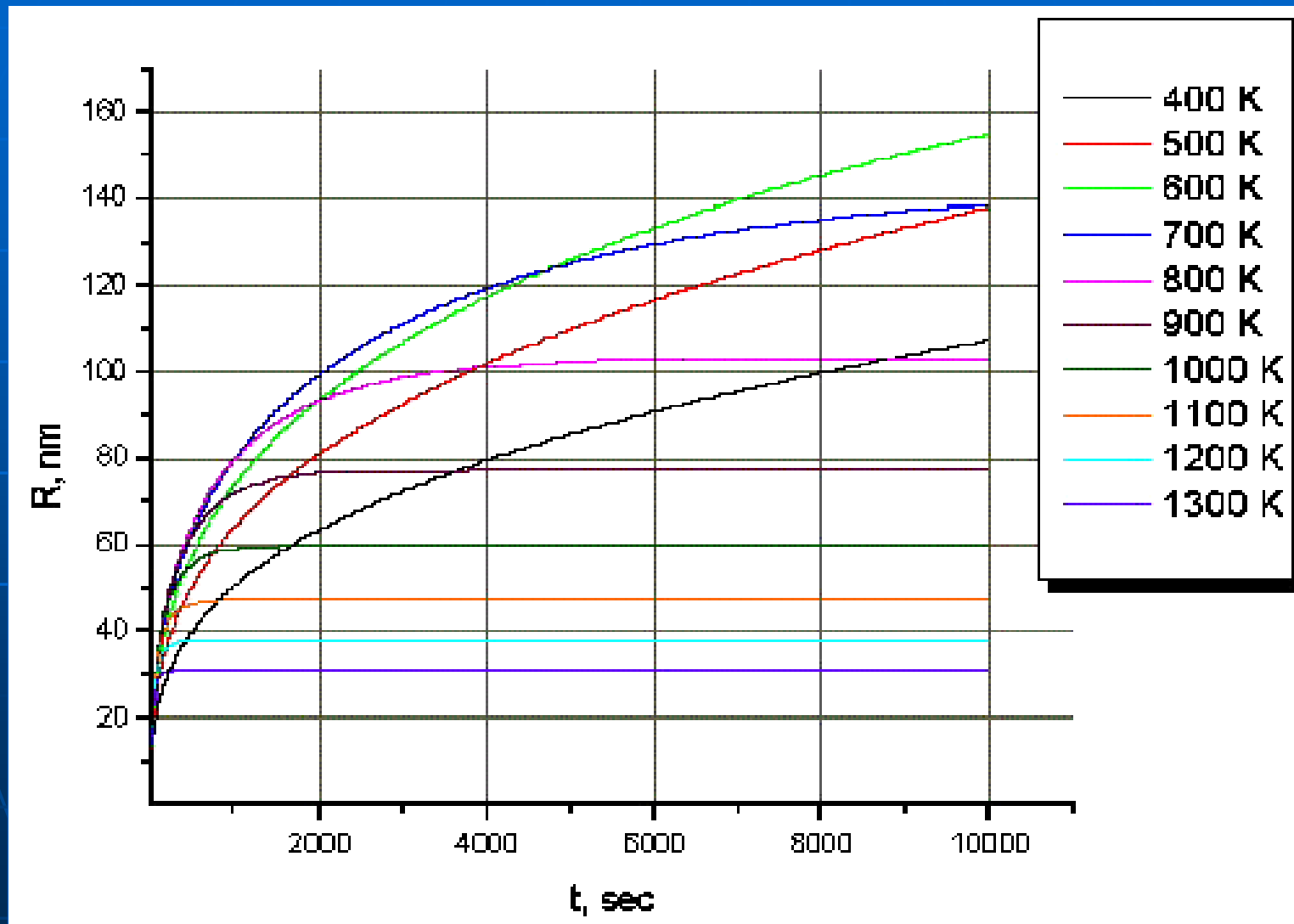
## Main parameter values used for numerical calculations of radiation swelling in SiC

$G_1 = G_{Si}$	Point defect generation rate of Si atoms	$3.10^{-3}$ dpa/s
$G_2 = G_C$	Point defect generation rate of C atoms	$1.10^{-3}$ dpa/s
$E_{mV}^{Si}$	Silicon vacancy migration energy	2.3 eV
$E_{mV}^C$	Carbon vacancy migration energy	2.0 eV
$E_{ml}^{Si}$	Silicon interstitial migration energy	0.4 eV
$E_{ml}^C$	Carbon interstitial migration energy	0.3 eV
$E_{FV}^{Si}$	Silicon vacancy formation energy	2.5 eV
$E_{FV}^C$	Carbon vacancy formation energy	2.4 eV
$\rho_D$	Network dislocation density	$10^{10}$ cm <sup>-2</sup>
$e_{V1} = e_{V2}$	Vacancy dilatation	-0.1
$a$	Lattice parameter	$5.14 \times 10^{-8}$ cm

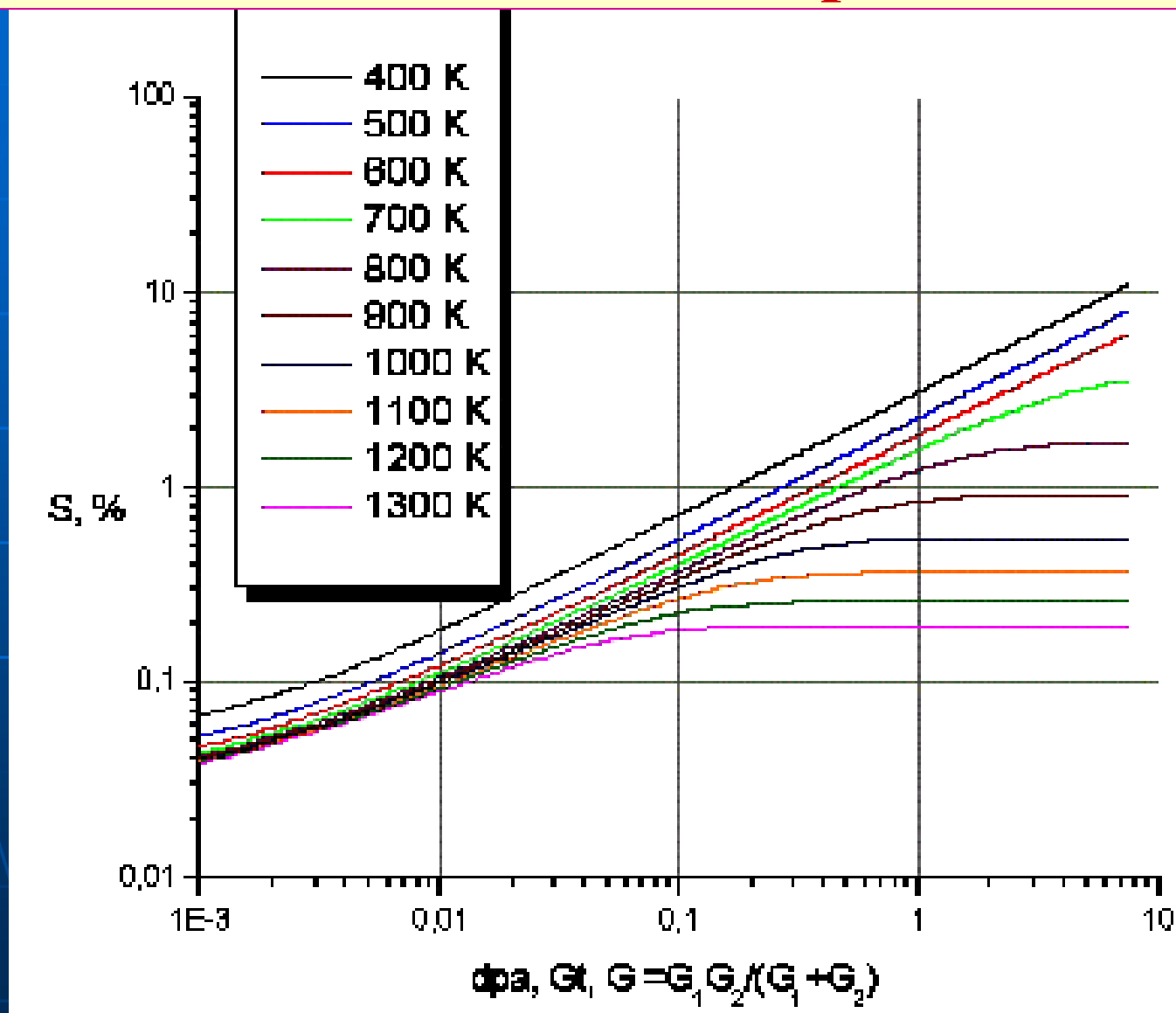
$$D_{VK} = D_{VK}^0 \exp(-E_{mV}^K / T), (\text{where } D_{V1}^0 = D_{V2}^0 = 10^{-2} \text{ cm}^{-2}),$$

$$N_L = N_L^0 [\exp(E_{ml}^1 / T) + \exp(E_{ml}^2 / T)]^{1/2}, (\text{where } N_L^0 = 3.10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}).$$

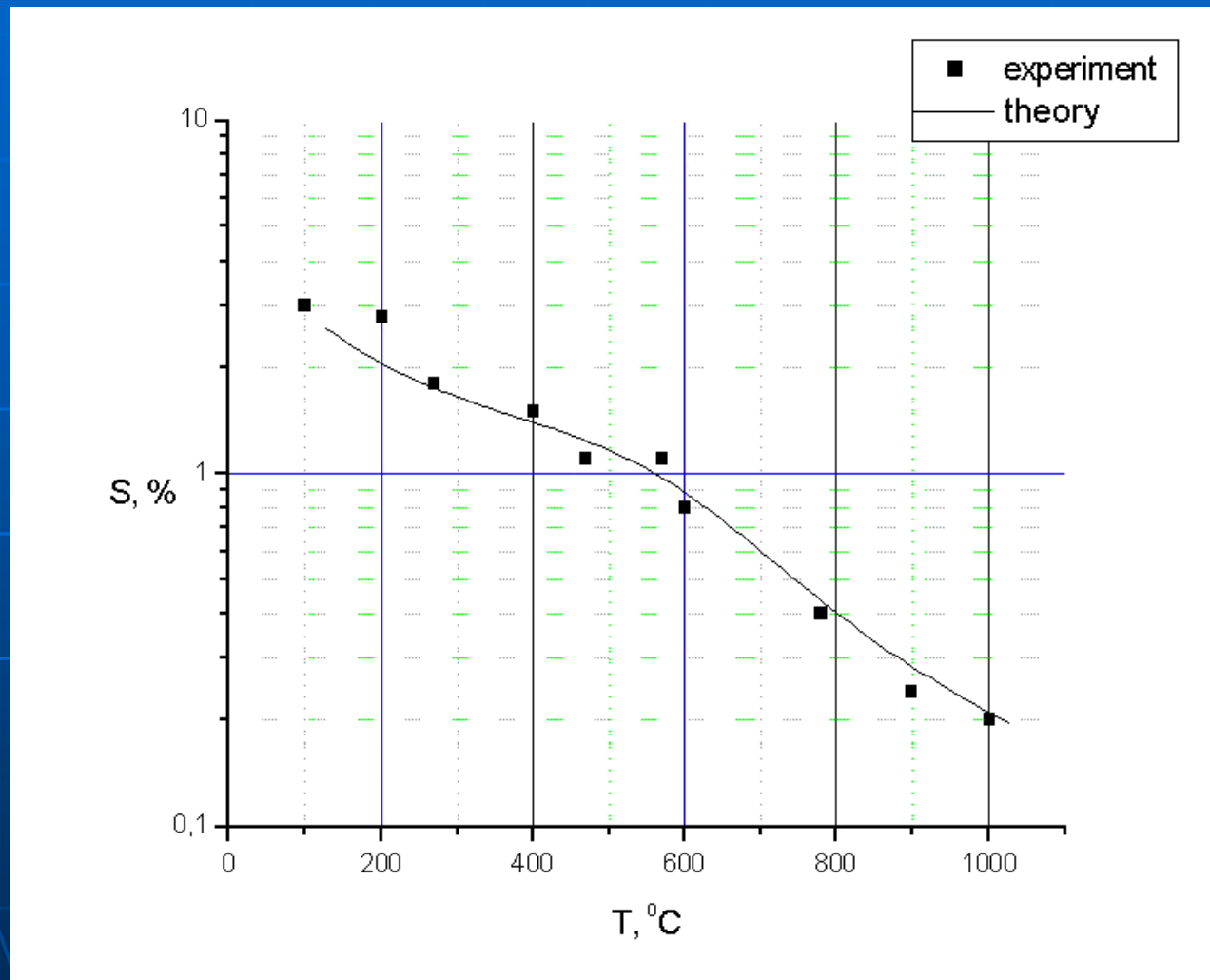
# Theoretical calculations for time dependence of dislocation loop growth at different irradiation temperatures in SiC



# Dose dependence of radiation swelling in SiC at different irradiation temperatures



# The comparison of experimental and theoretical temperature dependencies of radiation swelling in SiC.



A.I.Ryazanov,  
A.V.Klaptsov,  
A.Kohyama  
(JNM,2002)

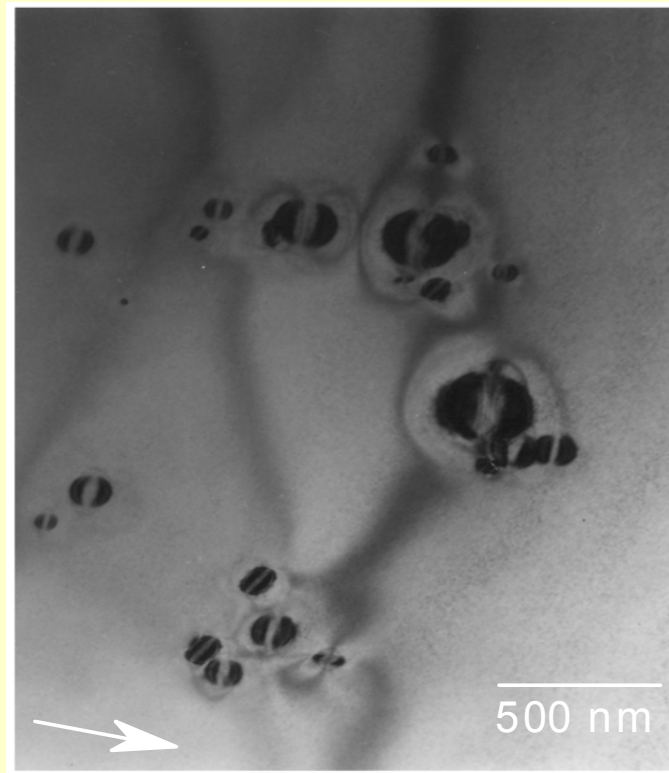
# INSTABILITY OF INTERSTITIAL CLUSTERS UNDER ION AND ELECTRON IRRADIATIONS IN CERAMIC MATERIAL

## Experimental

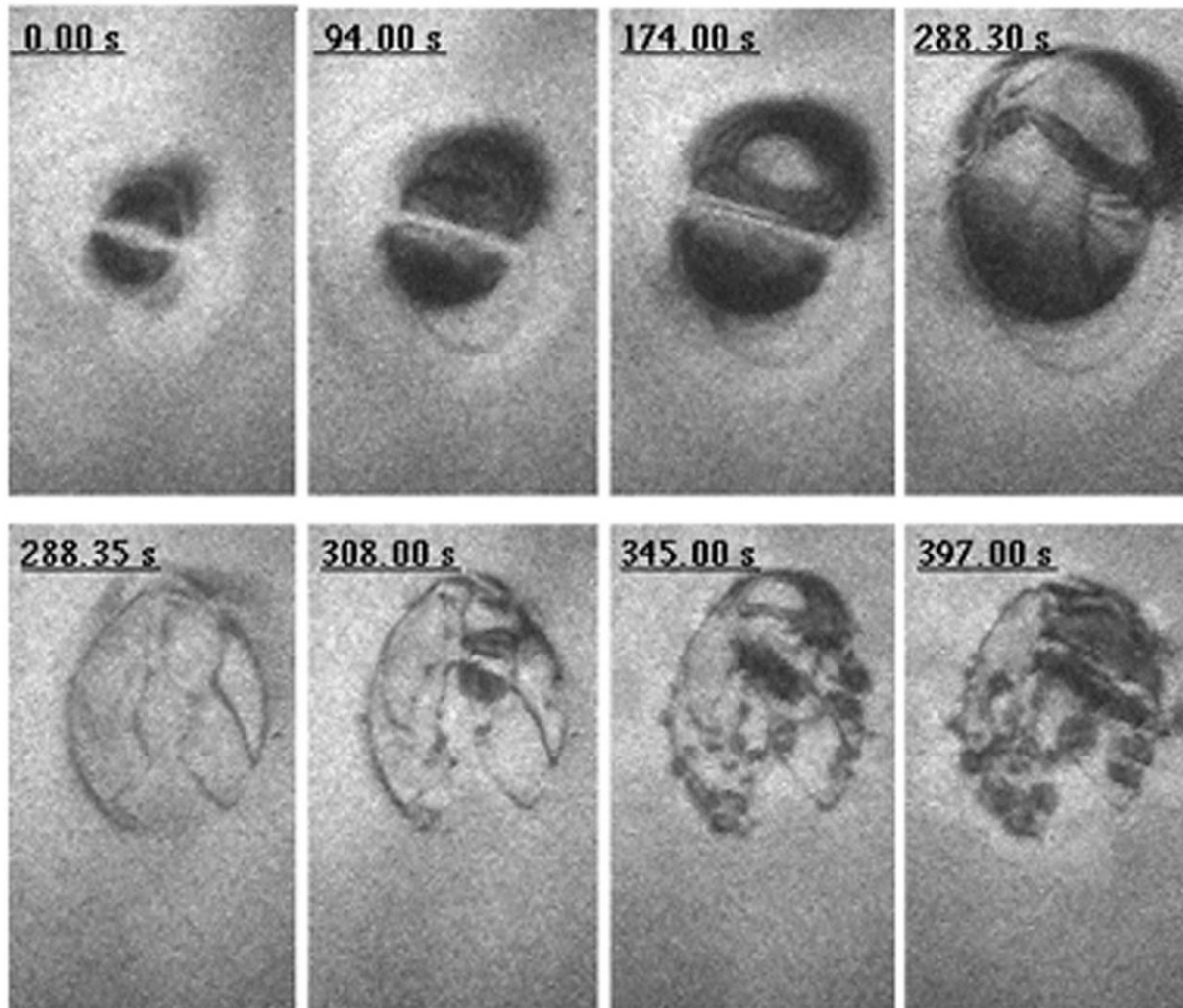
- ┌ Specimens: 13mol% Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-ZrO<sub>2</sub> single crystal (Earth Jewelry Co.)
- ┌ surface orientation: (111)
- ┌ Irradiation:
  - ions: 100 keV He<sup>+</sup> at 870 K, up to 1x10<sup>20</sup> ions/m<sup>2</sup>
    - 4 keV Ar<sup>+</sup> at 300 K
    - 300 keV O<sup>+</sup> at 470-1070 K, up to 5x10<sup>19</sup> ions/m<sup>2</sup>
  - electrons: 1000 keV at 470-1070 K, up to 1.4x10<sup>27</sup> e/m<sup>2</sup>
  - electron irradiation subsequent to ion irradiation:
    - 100-1000 keV electrons at 370-520 K
- ┌ Observations:
  - in situ and ex-situ TEM
    - HVEM (JEM-1000, HVEM lab., Kyushu University )
    - TEM (JEM-2000EX, HVEM lab., Kyushu University)
    - TEM-accelerator facility (JEM-4000FX, TIARA, JAERI-Takasaki)

# Defect clusters in yttrium-stabilized zirconia

-300 keV O<sup>+</sup> ions:  $5.1 \times 10^{17}$  ions/m<sup>2</sup> at 470 K  
-200 keV electrons at 370 K



# Instability of Interstitial Clusters

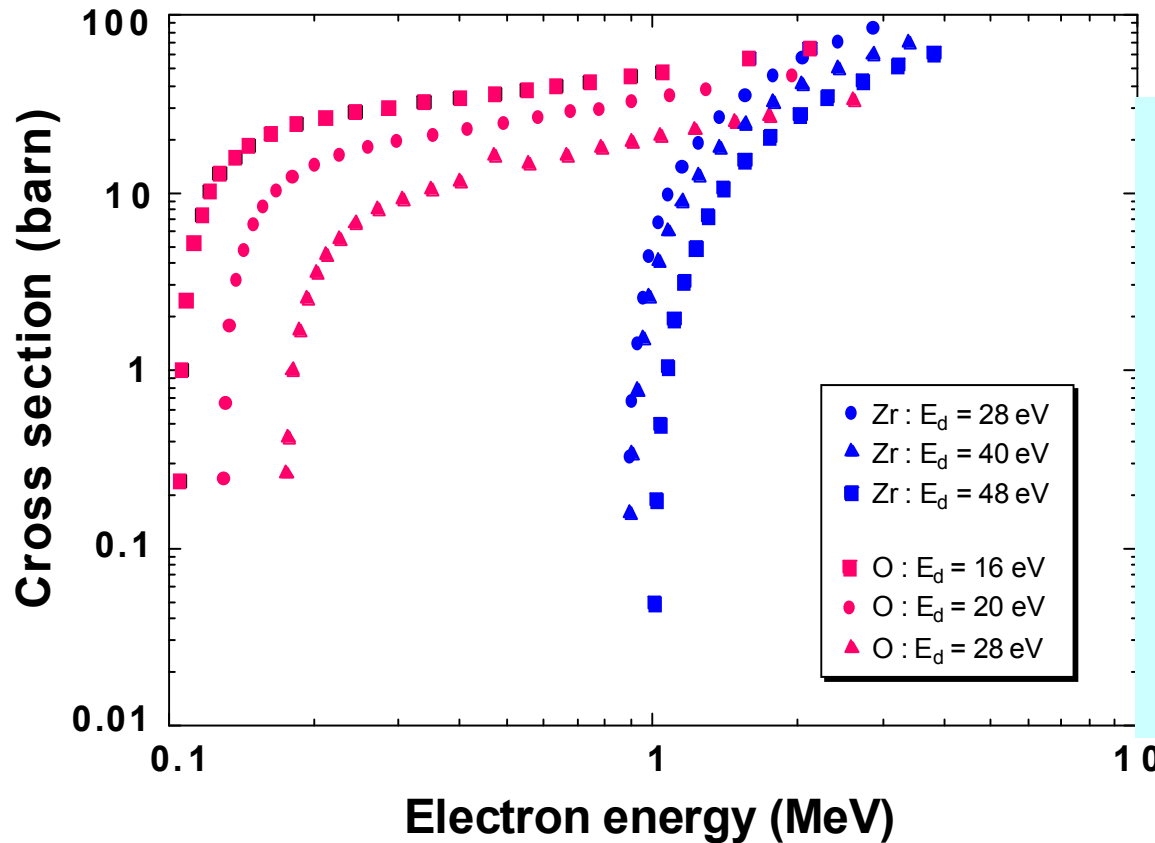


## Characteristic features of the extended defects in yttrium stabilized zirconia

- ◆ irradiation condition: under 100-1000 keV electron irradiation subsequent to ion irradiation (100 keV He<sup>+</sup>, 300 keV O<sup>+</sup>, 4keV Ar<sup>+</sup>)
- ◆ strong strain and stress fields
- ◆ very high growth rate  $\approx 1\text{-}3\text{nm/sec}$
- ◆ preferential formation around a focused electron beam
- ◆ preferential formation at thick regions
- ◆ critical radius: 1.2  $\mu\text{m}$ 
  - sudden conversion to the dislocation network
  - repeat nucleation, growth and conversion to dislocation structure on dislocation lines



# Cross section for displacement in ZrO<sub>2</sub> under electron irradiation



**Displacement  
damage by  
elastic collisions**

$E_d(O) \sim 20$  eV,  
 $E_d(Zr) \sim 40$  eV,

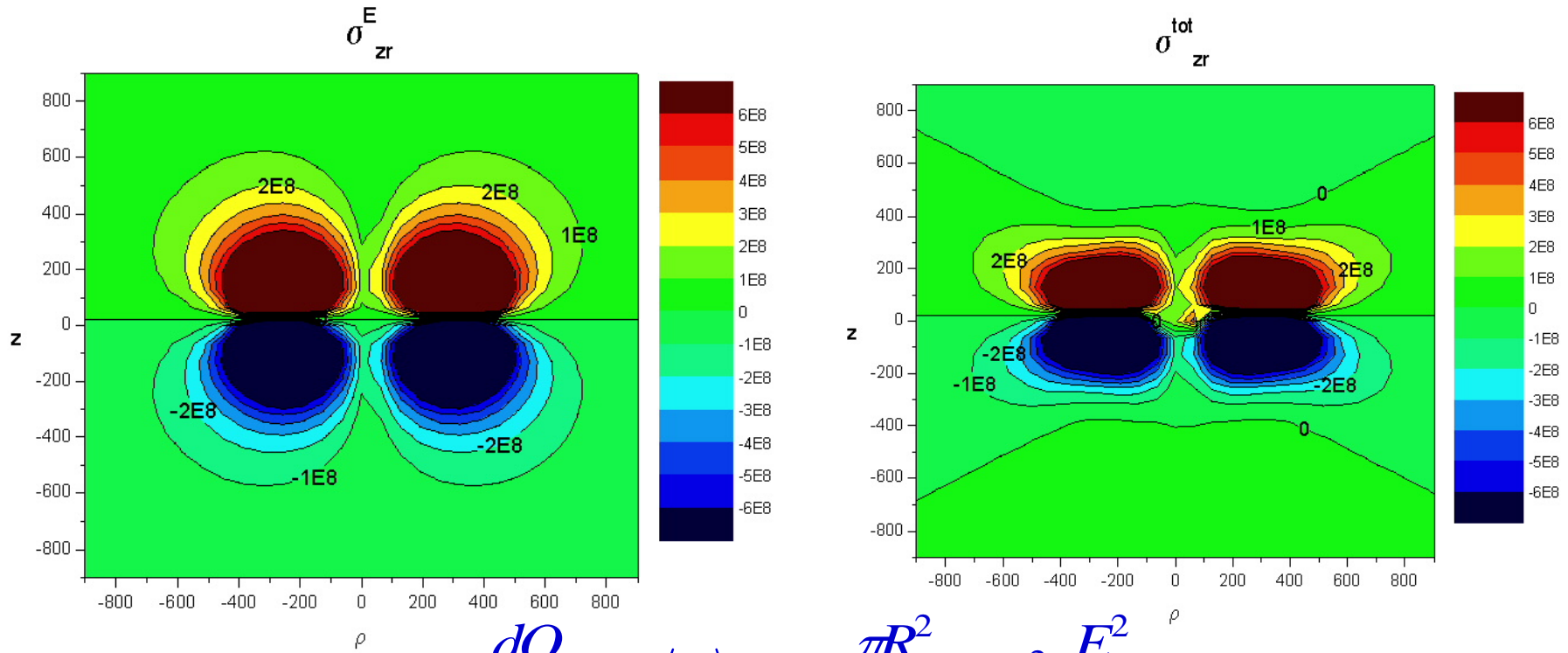
→ 200 keV

electrons :

$\sigma(O) \sim 10 \sim 30$   
barn

→  $\Phi = 10^{21} e^-/m^2s$  :  
 $\sim 10^{-6}$  dpa/s

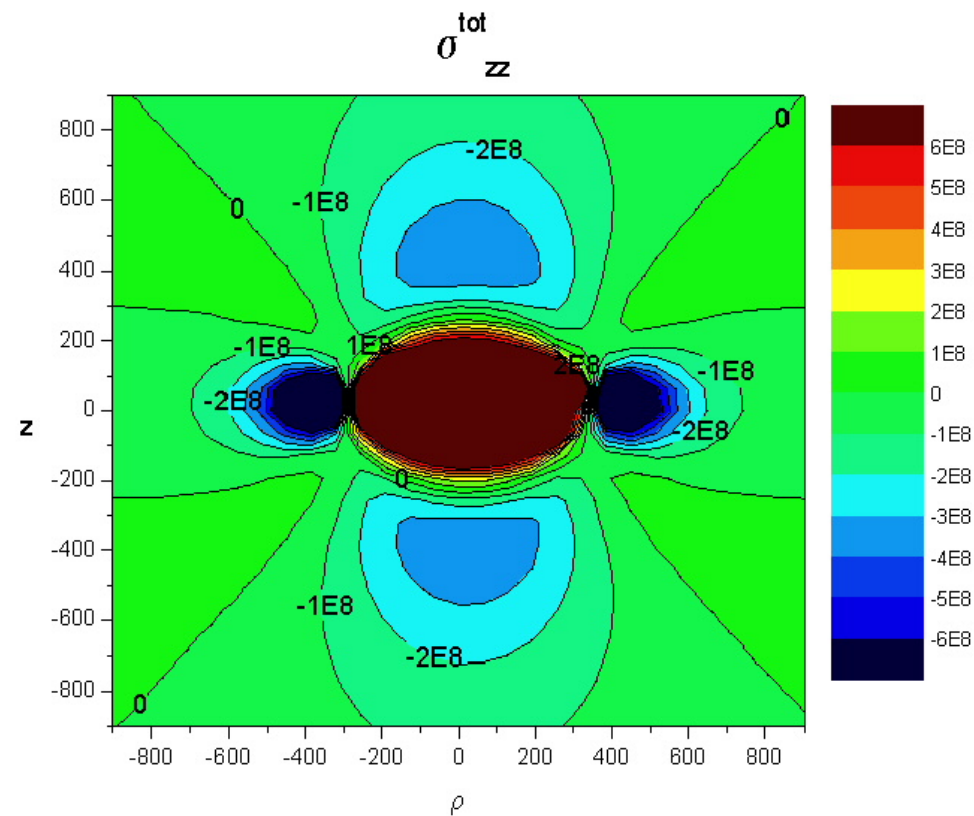
# Shear stress component induced by charged dislocation loop



$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = N \langle \sigma \rangle_I \Phi \approx \frac{\pi R^2}{a^2} 4\pi a_0^2 \frac{E_R^2}{I E_{el}} \Phi$$

$$\sigma_{ik} = \frac{\varepsilon}{4\pi} \left( E_i E_k - \frac{E^2}{2} \delta_{ik} \right), \quad \sigma \leq \sigma_{th} = \frac{\mu}{2\pi}$$

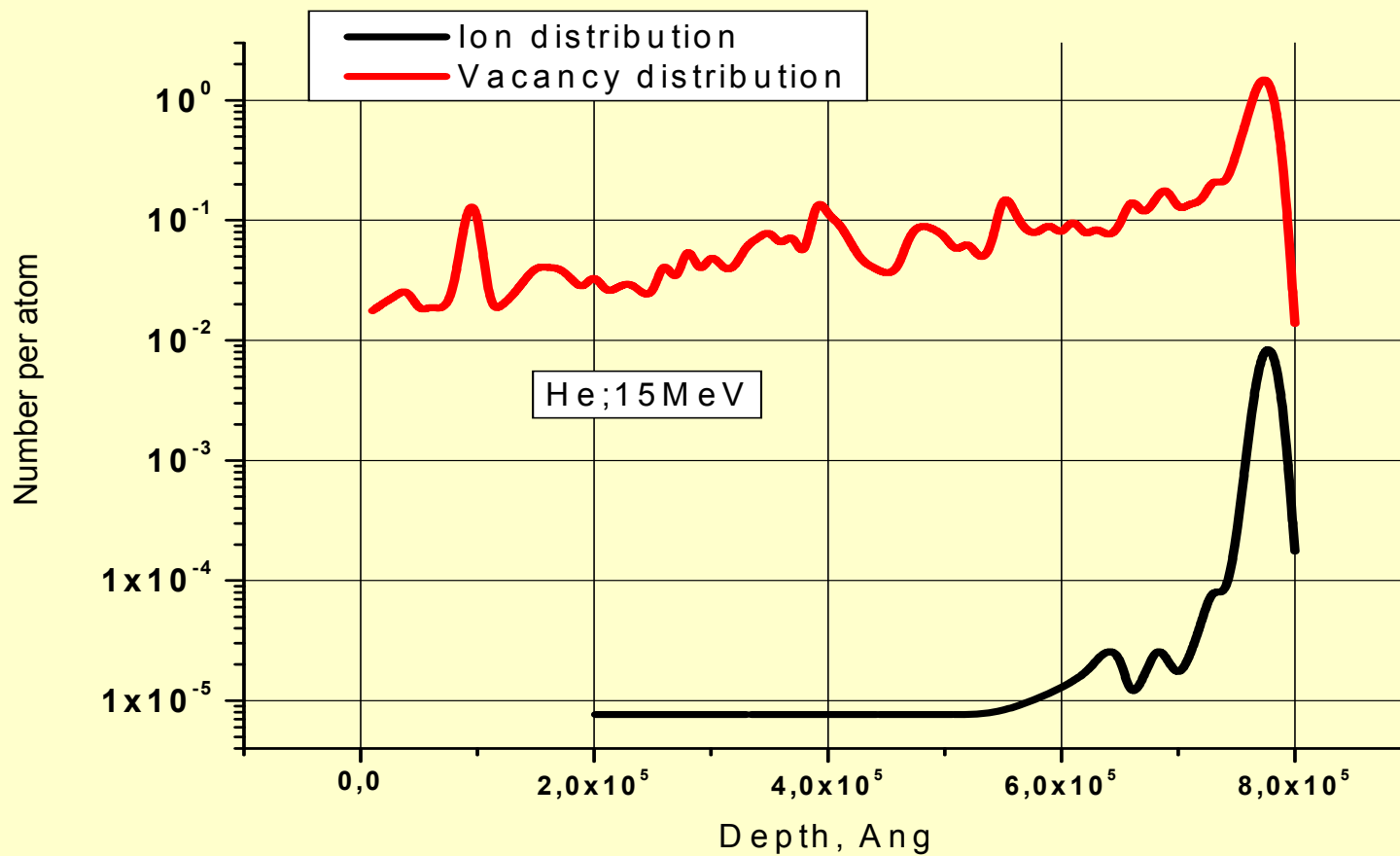
# Total normal stress component induced by charged dislocation loop



# ***Radiation Resistance of Zr-Alloys***

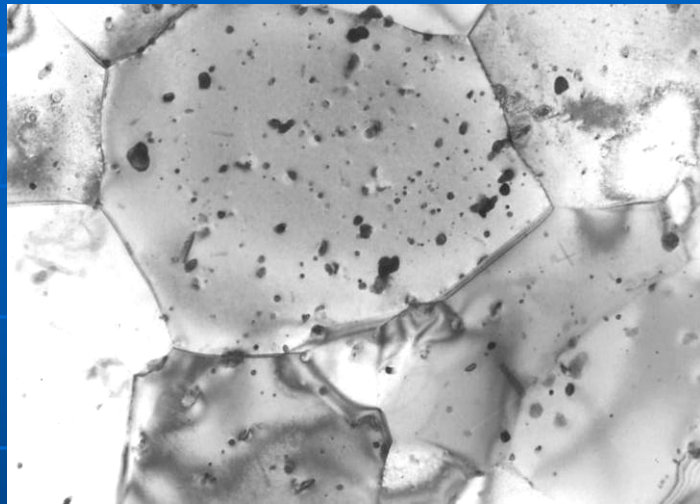
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# Generation Rate of Point Defects under Irradiation of Zr alloy by 15 MeV Helium Ions at Irradiation Dose $10E17cm^2$



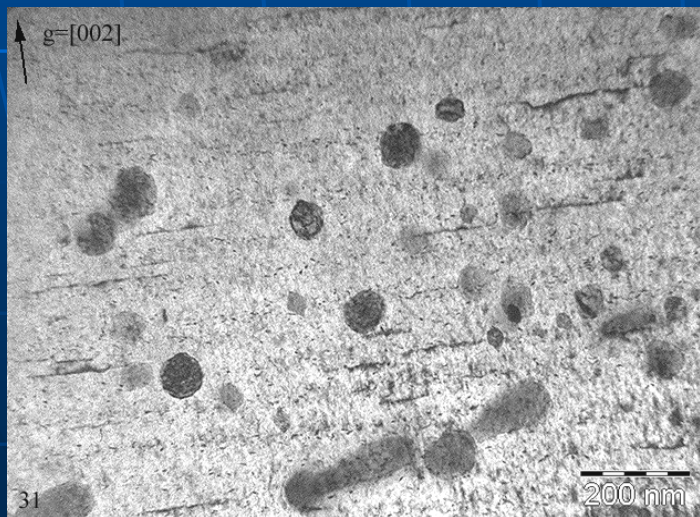
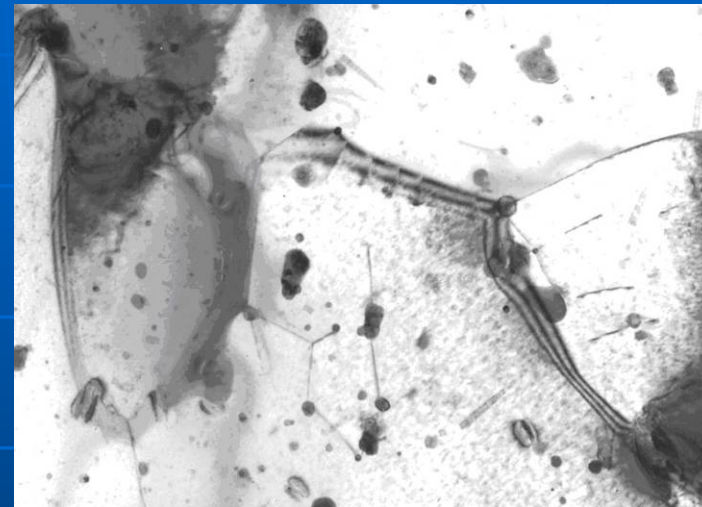
**Microstructure of Irradiated and unirradiated Zr alloys:  $\text{Zr}_{110}$  and  $\text{Zr}_{635}$   
(Distribution of  $\beta$ - Nb phases, Laves phases  $\text{Zr}(\text{Nb},\text{Fe})_2$  and  
dislocations c-type)**

**$\text{Zr}_{110}$  -  $\beta$ -Nb**

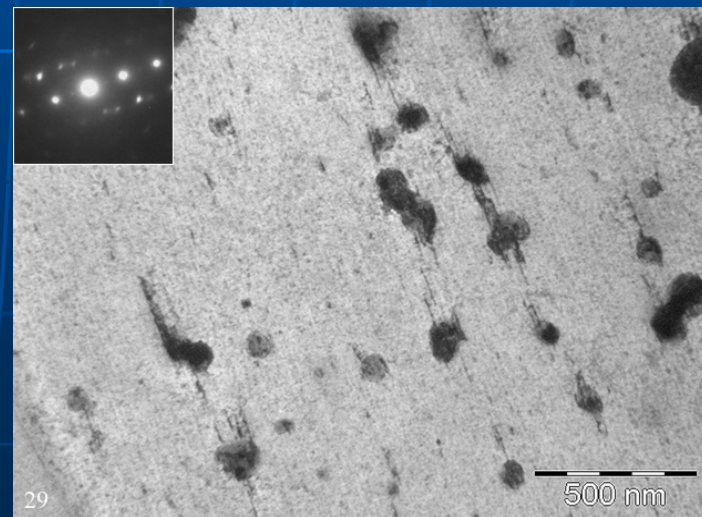


**x10 000  
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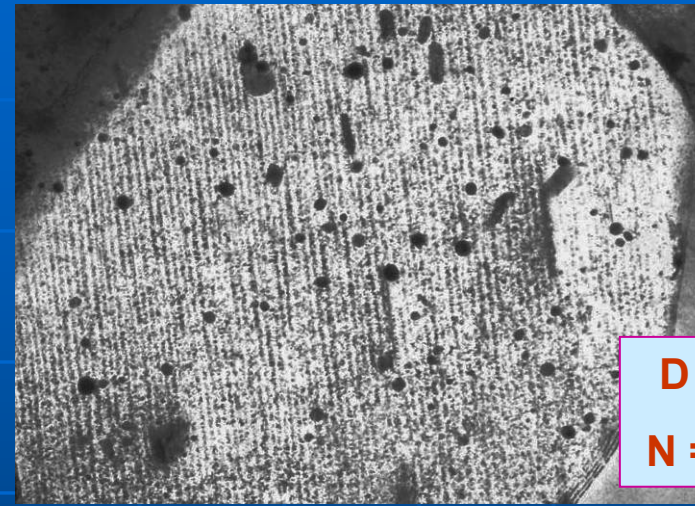
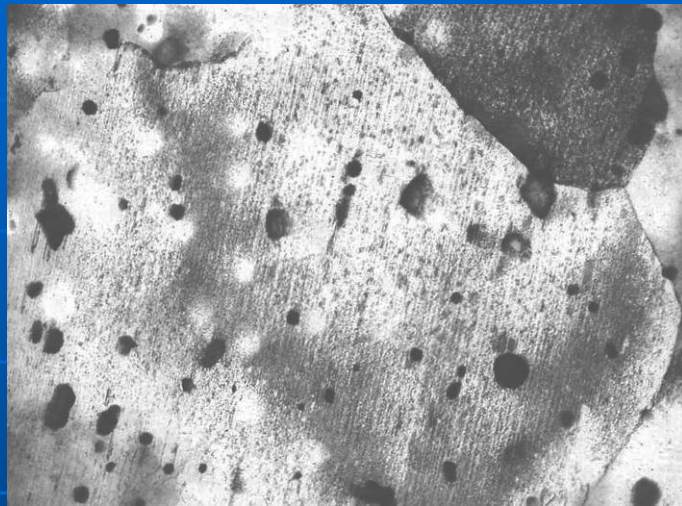
**$\text{Zr}_{635}$  Laves phase  $\text{Zr}(\text{Nb},\text{Fe})_2$**



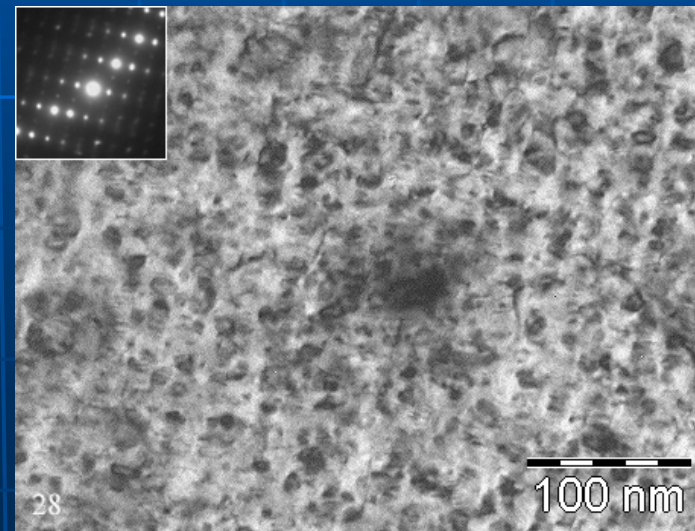
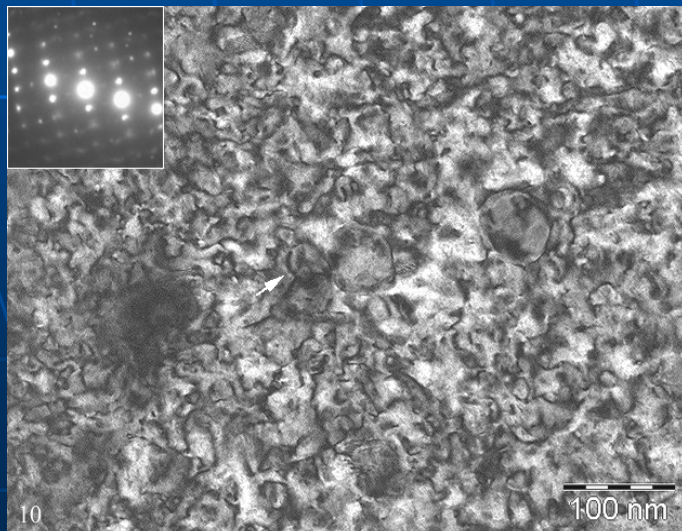
**x50 000  
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**Microstructure of neutron irradiated Zr russian alloys: Э635 и Э110 up to doses  $F=0,5 \times 10^{26} \text{ n/m}^2$  (2 dpa): distribution of precipitates and ordered dislocation loops (a-type).**



**$D = 10-20 \text{ nm},$   
 $N = 10E16 \text{ cm}^{-3}$**

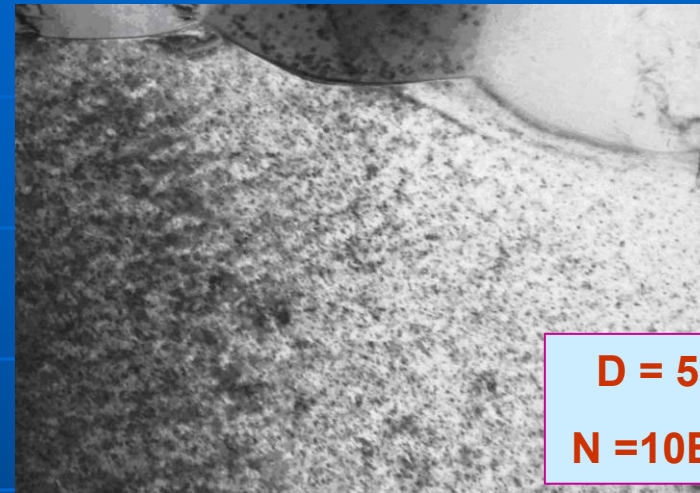


**Microstructure of Zr alloy 3110 irradiated on cyclotron by helium ions with energy 10 MeV at T=350oC dose of irradiation 1 dpa (2x10E17p/cm2))**

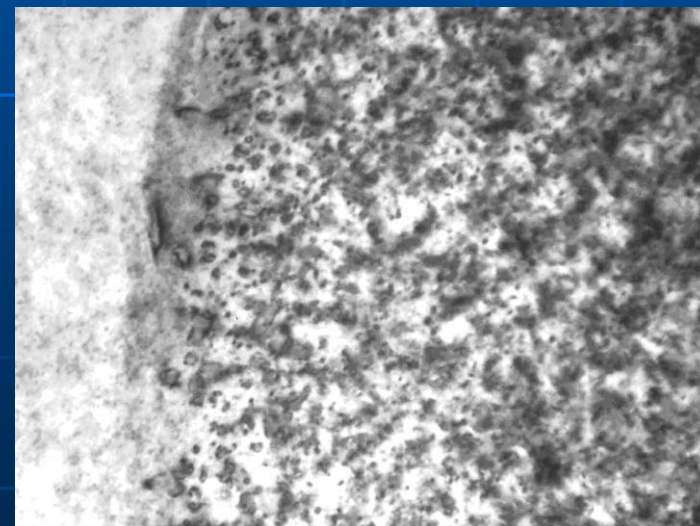
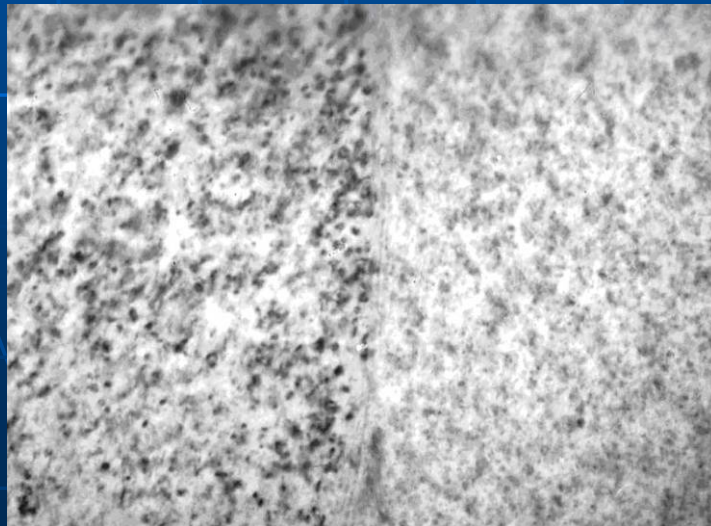
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**Denuded Zone**

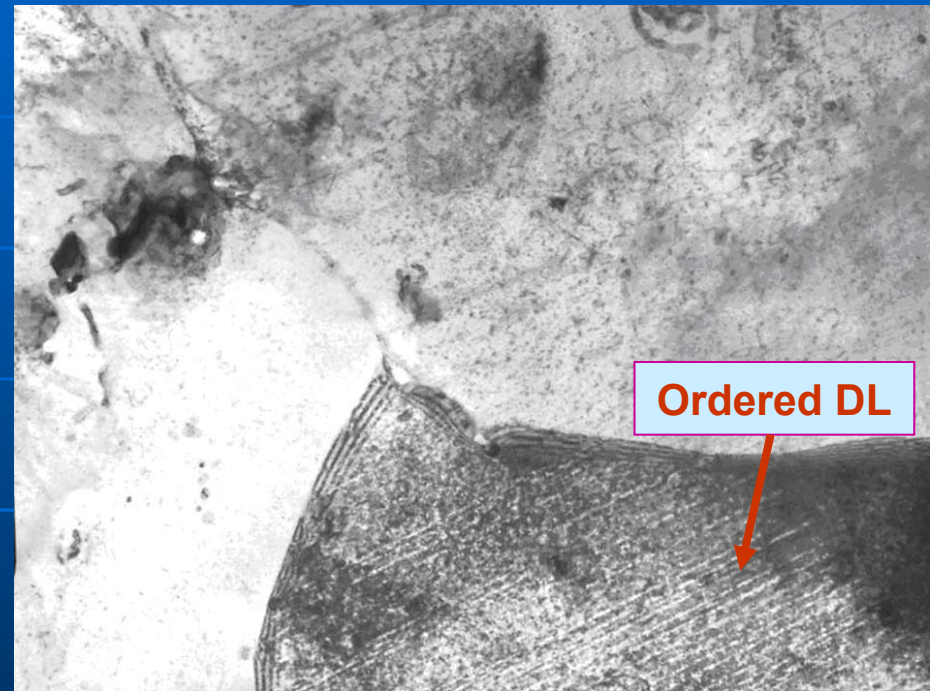
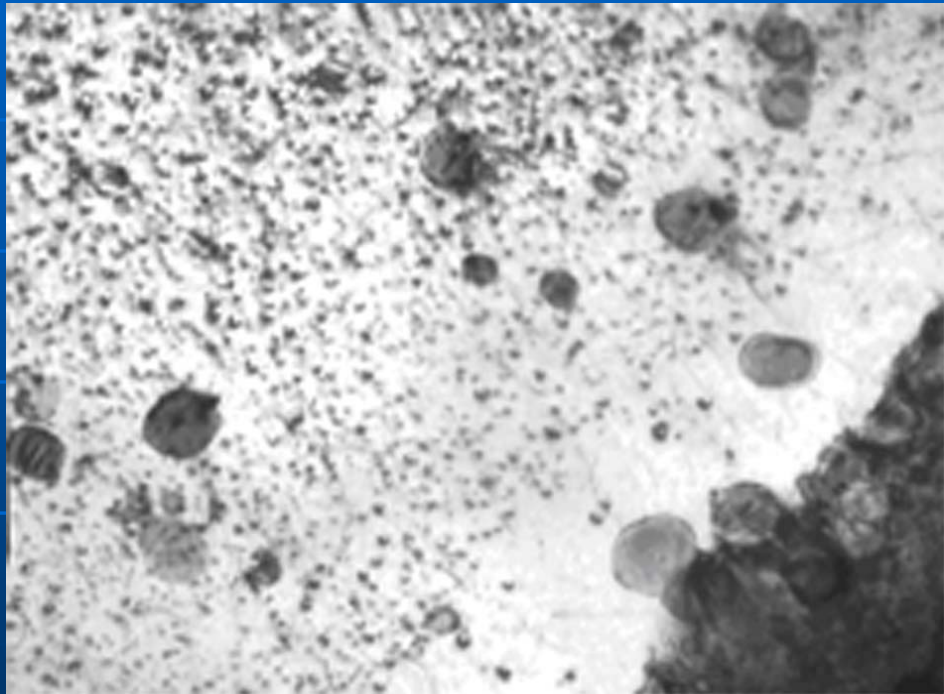


**D = 5-10 nm,  
N = 10E17 cm-3**





**Microstructure of Zr alloy 9635 irradiated on cyclotron by protons with energy 4 MeV at T=350oC dose of irradiation 1 dpa (2x10E17p/cm2))**



Found optimal irradiation regime allowing to irradiate Zr alloys at T= 300–350 °C up to 100 μm deep to doses 10 dpa.



# Studies of proton beam irradiation on graphite collimator materials for LHC

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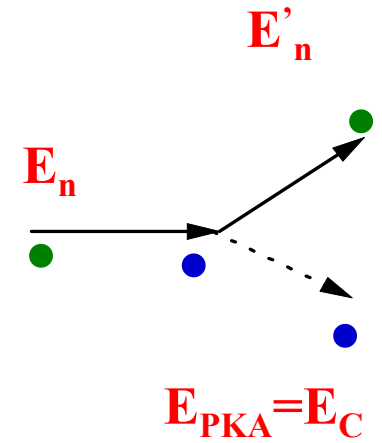
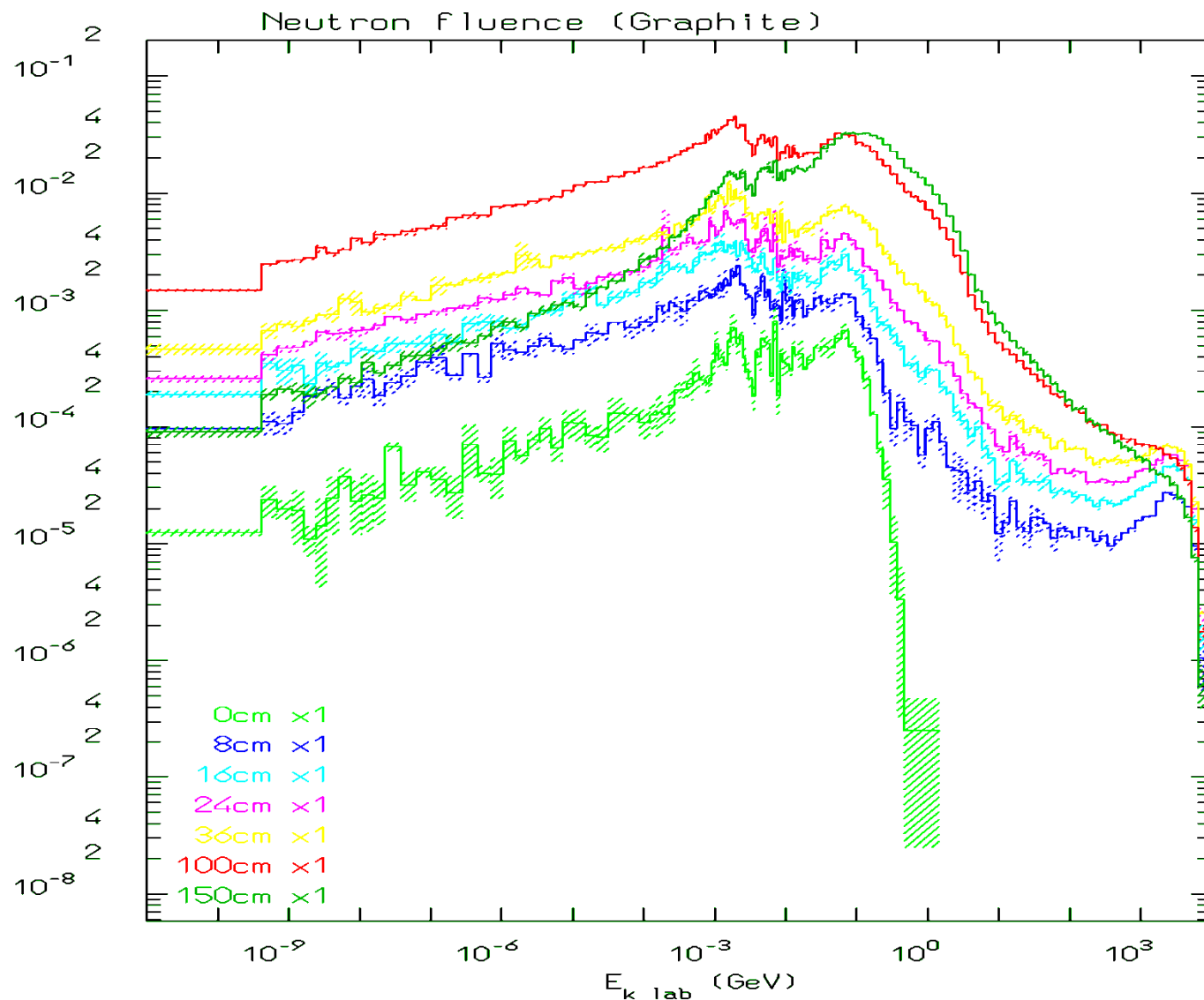
# Task: Proton Irradiation Damage Assessment of LHC Graphite Collimator Materials

- **Main aim of studies** – to measure the effect of proton irradiation on physical-mechanical material properties: **thermal conductivity, thermal expansion, mechanical properties, electrical resistivity, microstructure change**

## **Objective:**

- **Determine the effect of PKA proton energy spectrum near 7 TeV proton beam on physical - mechanical properties of graphite collimator material for LHC – irradiation of graphite by protons with the 35 MeV energy at different doses and theoretical modeling of main physical phenomena of radiation effects on materials**

# Neutron energy spectrum per one 7 TeV proton in graphite on the several penetration depths of proton.



$$\langle E_C \rangle = 2 \frac{m_n}{m_C} E_n$$

# Investigated Graphite Collimator Materials for LHC

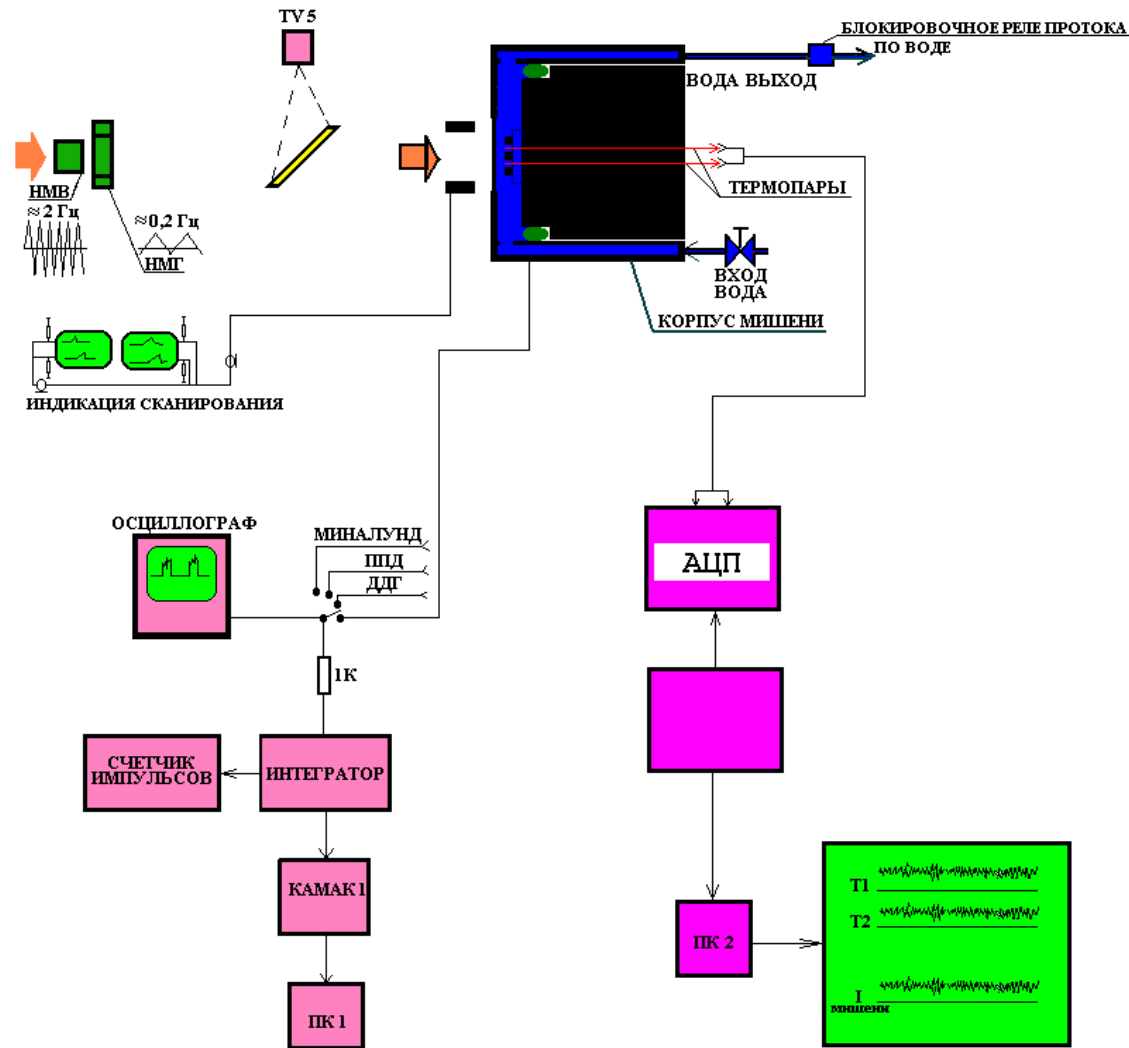
- **C-C Composite Graphite Material  
AC-150**

**Three orientations:**

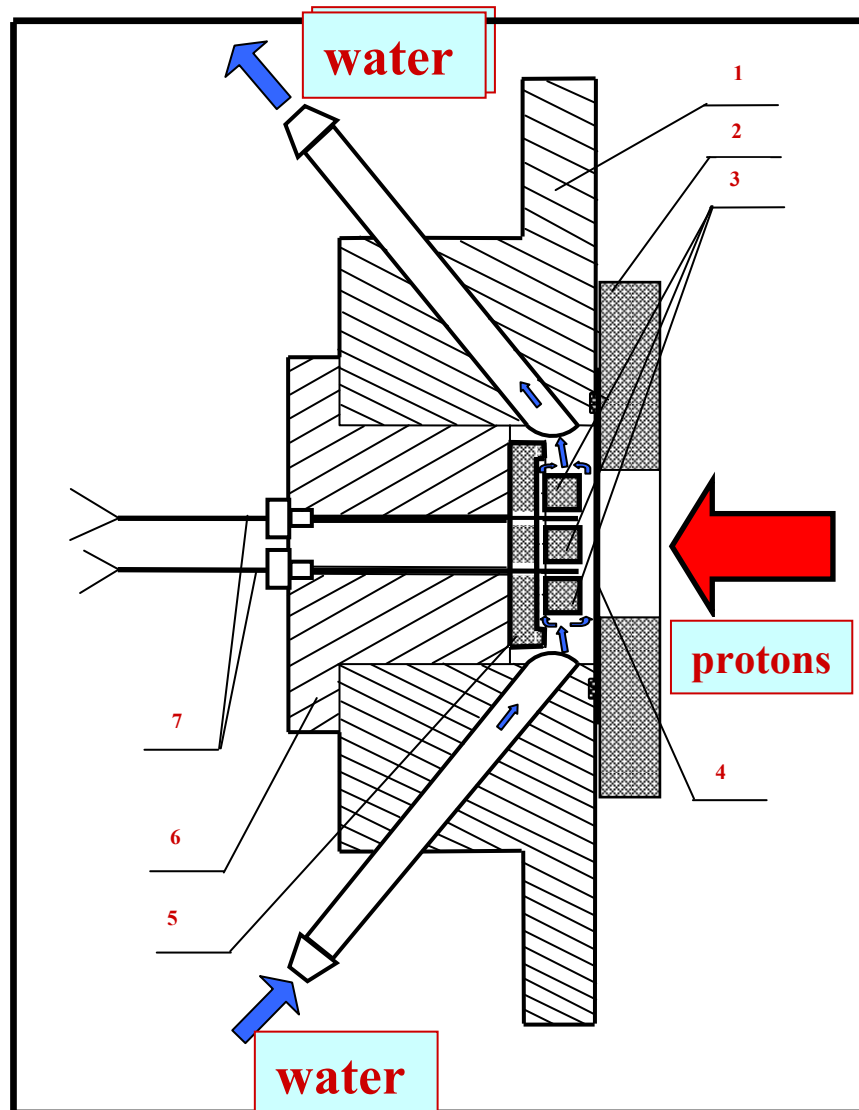
# Measured values

- **$d$  - density**
- **$\lambda$  - thermal conductivity coefficient (at  $T < 700^{\circ}\text{C}$ )**
- **$\rho$  - electrical resistivity (at  $T < 700^{\circ}\text{C}$ )**
- **$\alpha$  - thermal expansion coefficient (at  $T < 700^{\circ}\text{C}$ )**
- **$\sigma$  - compression ultimate tensile stress**
- **$E_d$  - dynamic elastic module**
- **$E_s$  - static elastic module**
- **$a, c$  - lattice constants (X-ray method)**

# Scheme of experimental tests of C-C samples on cyclotron



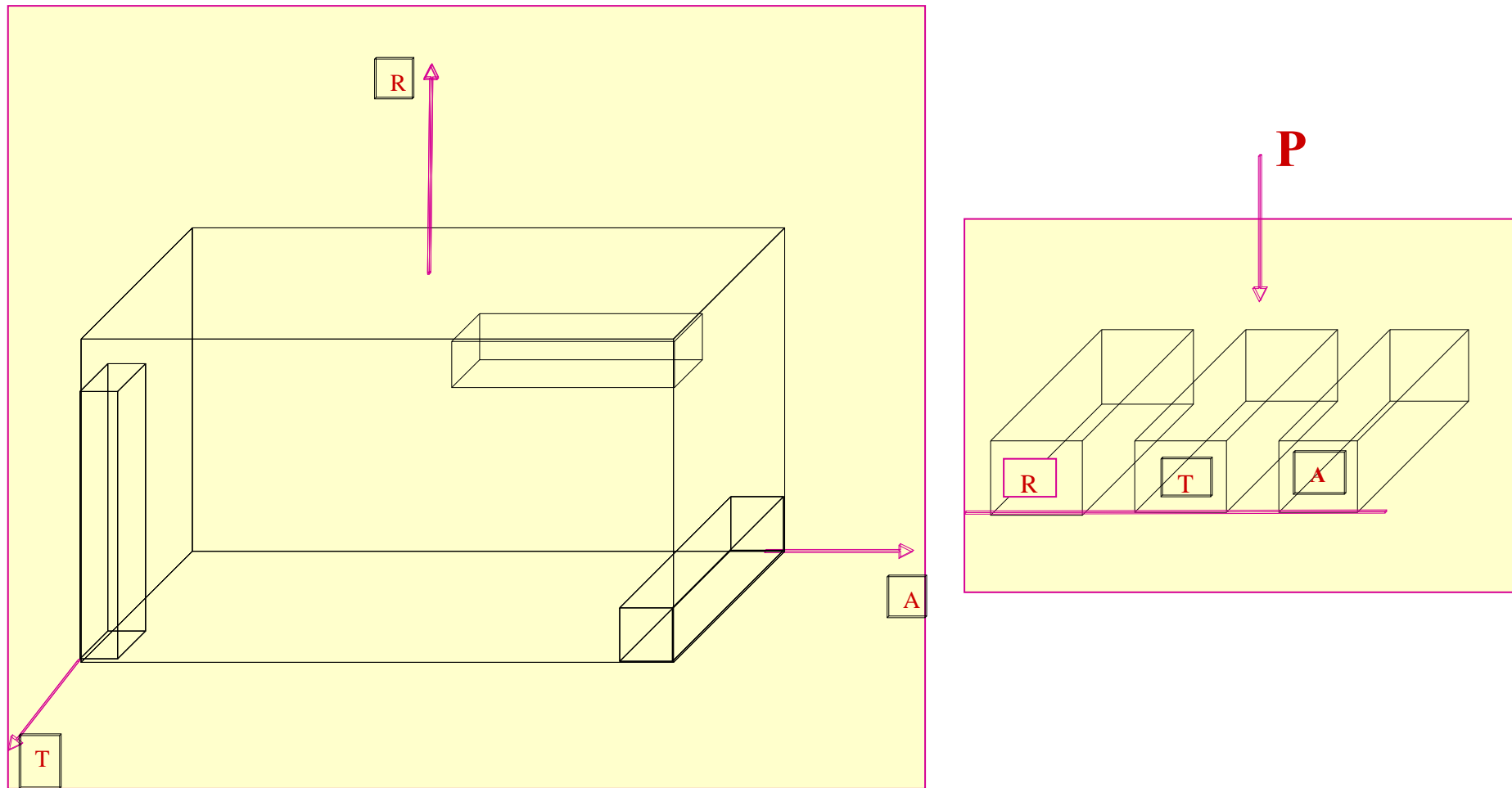
# Target device for proton irradiation of graphite samples on RRC KI cyclotron



- 1-Corps of target device
- 2-Graphite diaphragm
- 3-Irradiated samples
- 4-Foil window
- 5-Holder of samples
- 6-Main holders
- 7-Thermocouples



# Preparation of three orientations of graphite samples for experimental tests

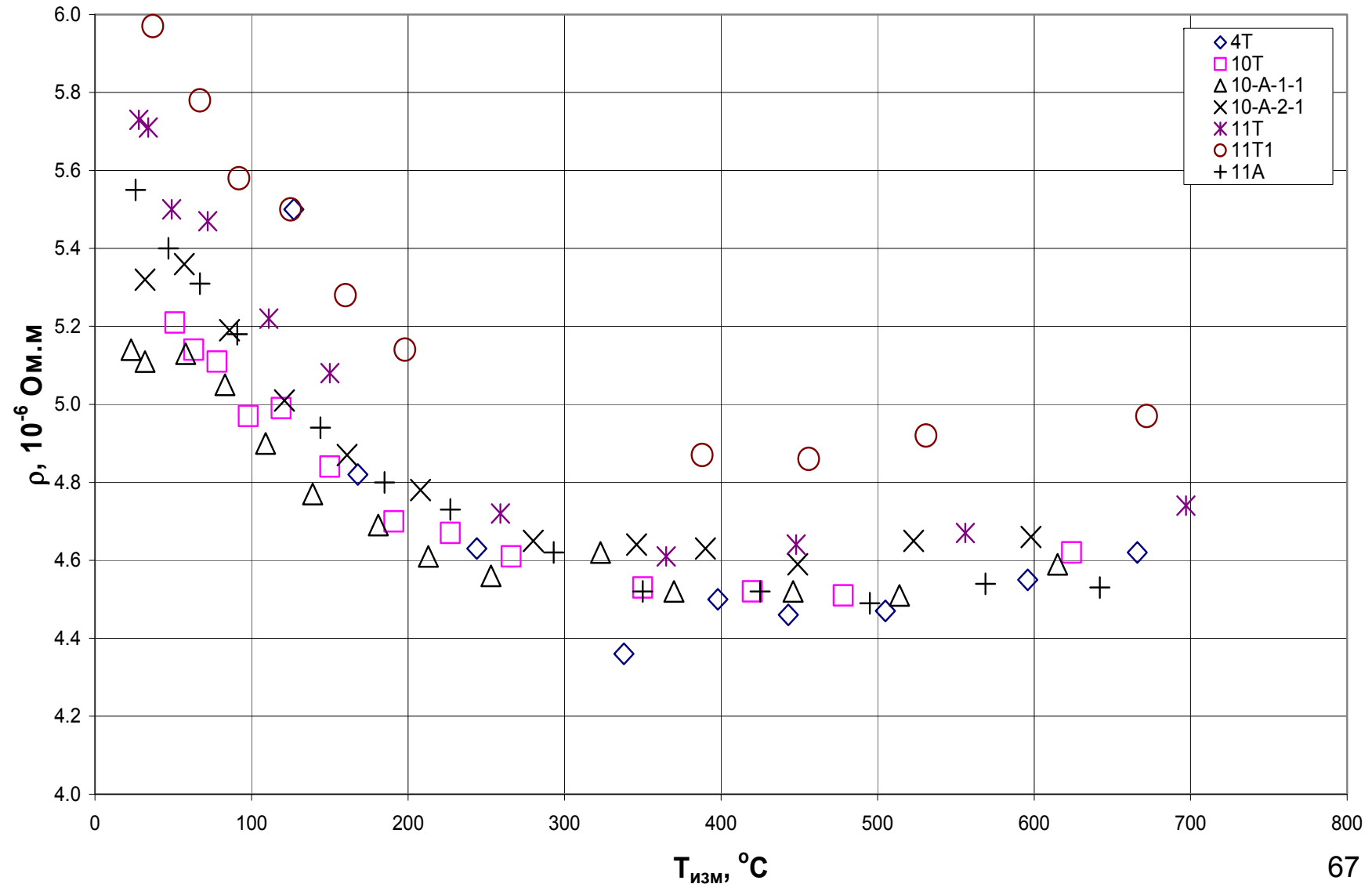


## Results of physical-mechanical tests (№10)

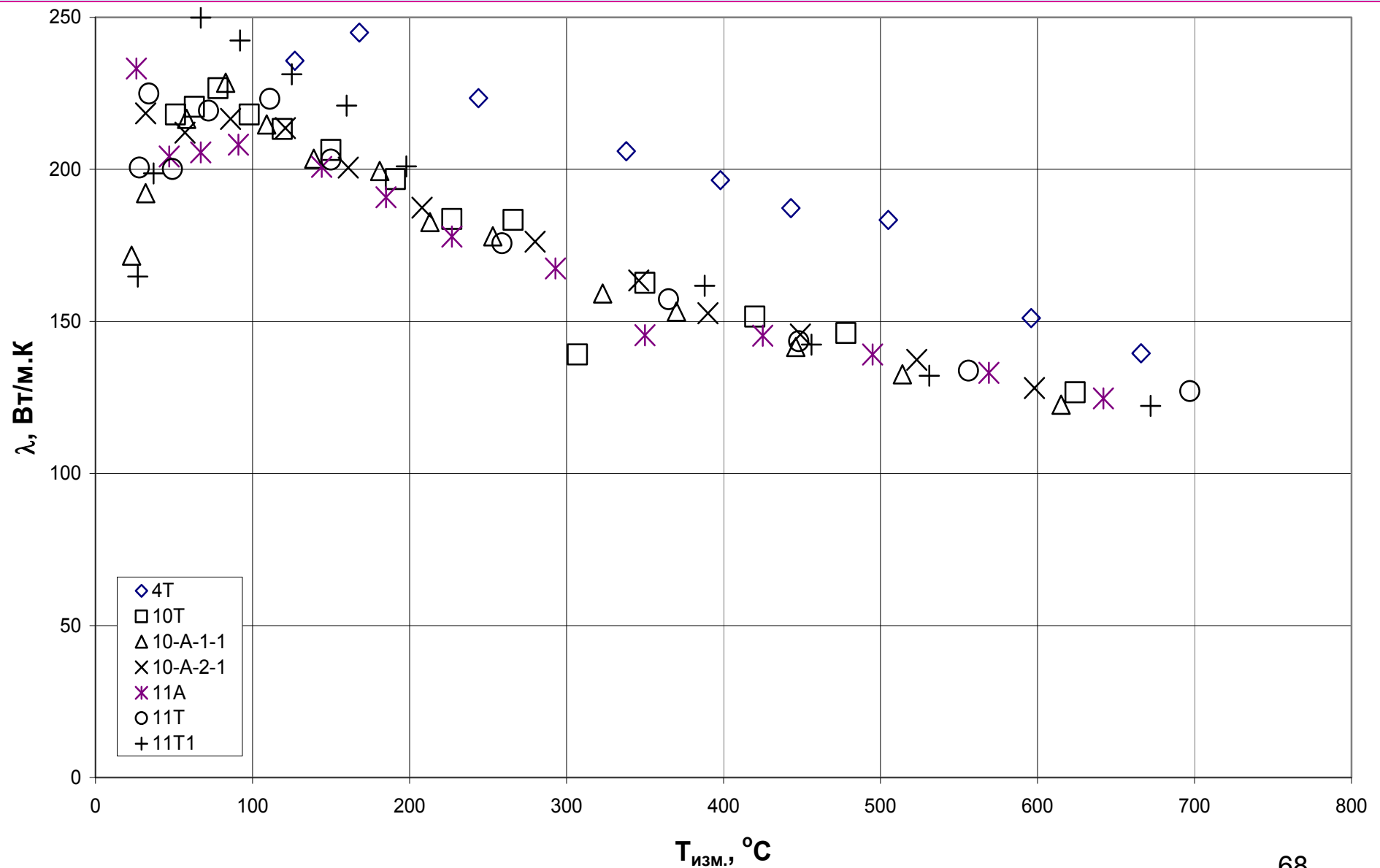
№ sample.	d, g/cm <sup>3</sup>	E, GPa	$\rho$ , 10 <sup>-6</sup> OM.M	$\alpha$ , 10 <sup>-6</sup> , 1/K
10R(TA-1)	1.66	3.2	27.8	10.31
10R(TA-2)	1.66	2.96	30	10.31
10R(TA-3)	1.66	3.2	29.1	10.31
Average	1.66	3.12	28.9666667	10.31
Magnification	0	0.13856406	1.106044	
10T(AR-1)	1.65	9.3	5.6	0.25
10T(AR-2)	1.64	9.1	5.1	0.25
10T(AR-3)	1.56	9.3	5.7	0.25
Average	1.61666667	9.23333333	5.46666667	0.25
Magnification	0.04932883	0.11547005	0.32145503	
10A(RT-1)	1.54	8.4	5.5	0.167
10A(RT-2)	1.64	8.4	5.7	0.167
10A(RT-3)	1.63	9.16	5.6	0.167
Average	1.60333333	8.65333333	5.6	0.167
Magnification	0.055075705	0.438786205	0.1	

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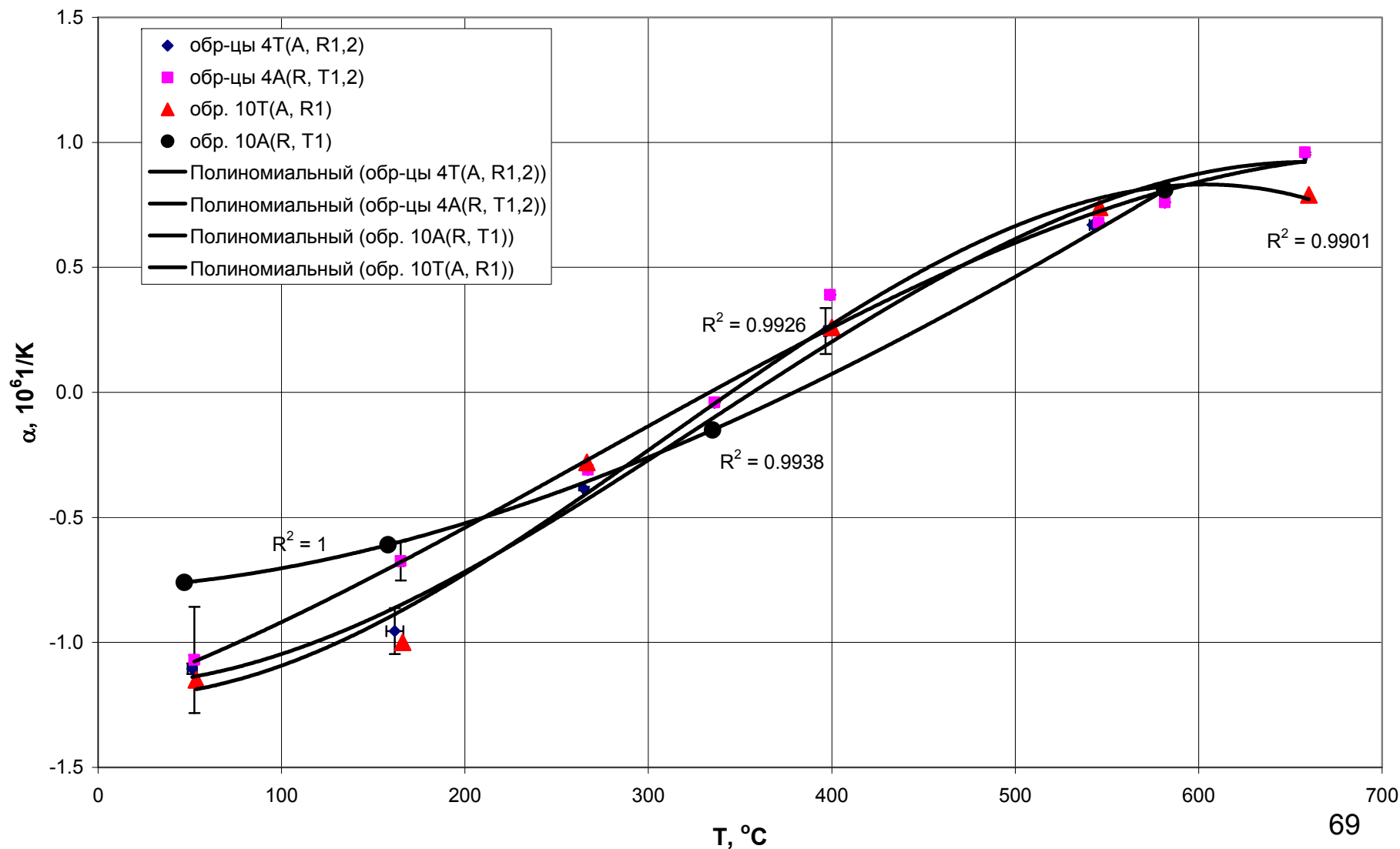
# Temperature dependence of electrical resistance for three orientations of graphite samples



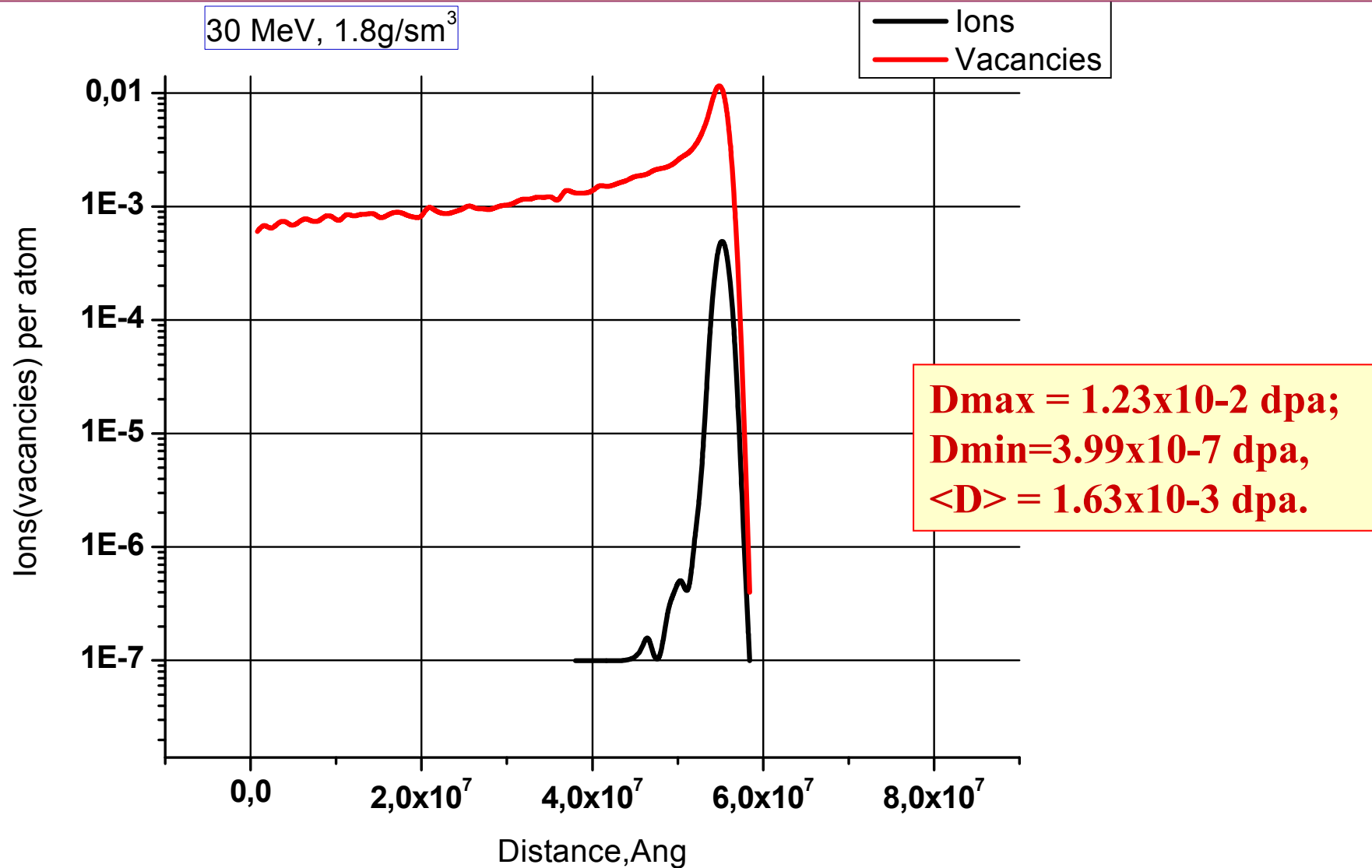
# conductivity for three orientations of graphite



# Temperature dependence of thermal expansion coefficient of AC-150.



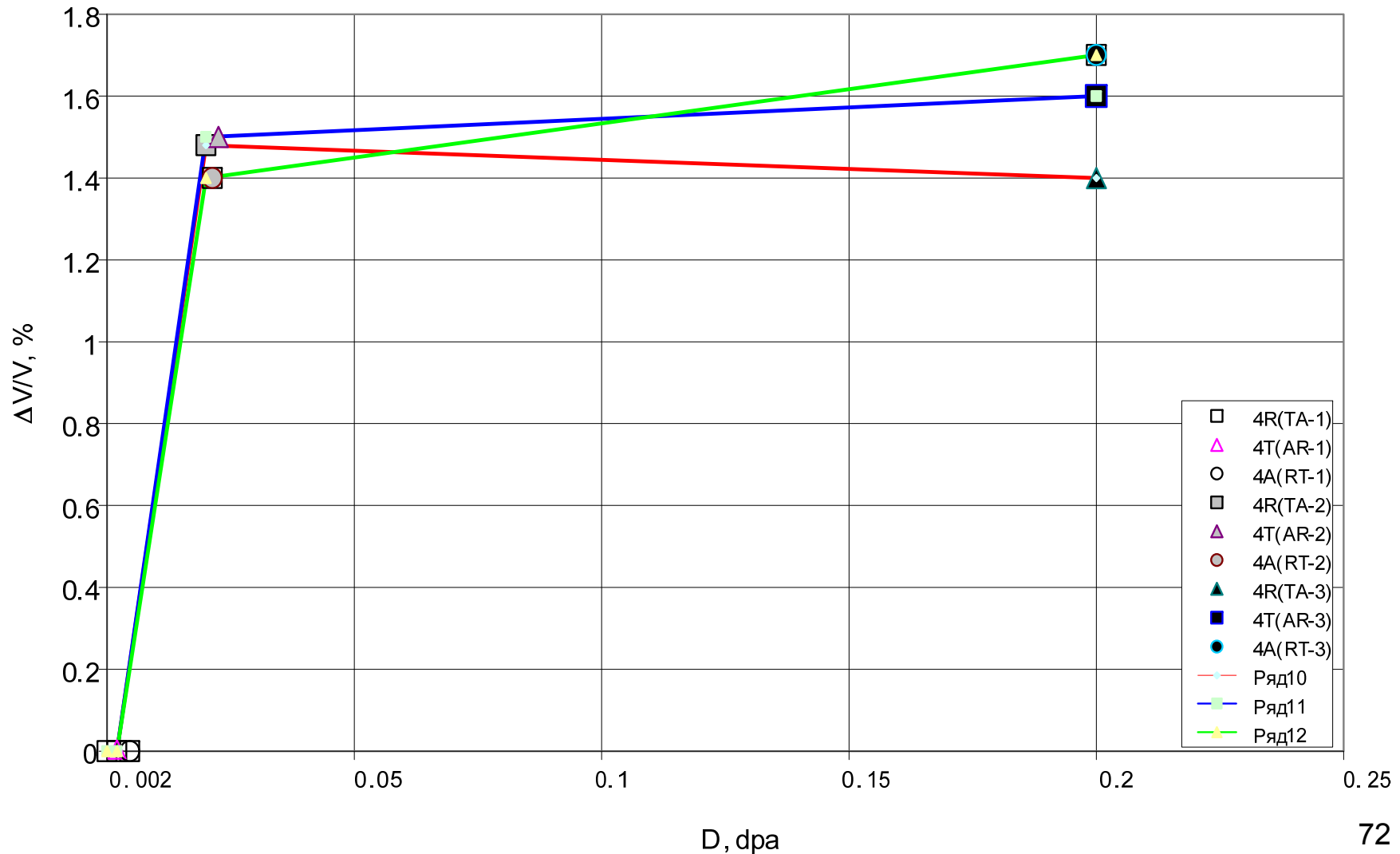
# Generation rate of point radiation defects under irradiation of graphite by 30 MeV protons at Dose $1.10E17cm^2$



# Results of physical-mechanical property changes of graphites after proton irradiation

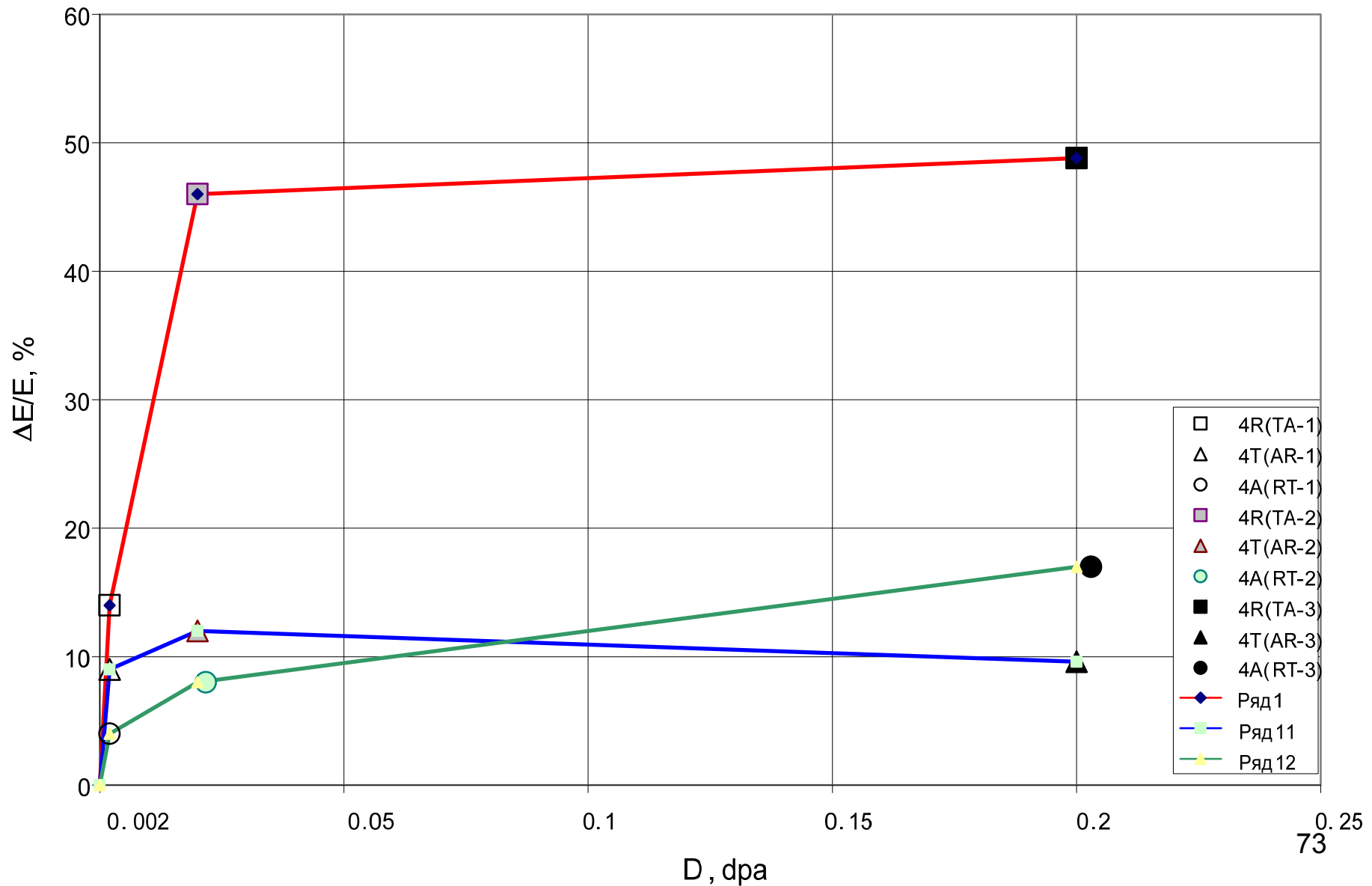
№ sampl.	$E_0/E$ GP a	$\Delta E/E, \%$	$\rho_{исх}/\rho_{обл}, 10^{-6}$ ОМ.М	$\Delta \rho/\rho, \%$	$\lambda_{исх}/\lambda_{обл}$ Вт/мК	$\Delta \lambda/\lambda, \%$	$\sigma_{исх}/\sigma_{обл}$ МПа	$\Delta \sigma/\sigma, \%$
<b>First Irradiation ( 0..002dpa)</b>								
4R(TA-1)	3,5/4,0	14	28,8/29,65	3	50/48	6	61/65,3	7
4T(AR-1)	8,1/8,86	9	5,65/8	42	215/150	30	57/59,9	5
4A(RT-1)	9,2/9,6	4	6,2/9,4	52	215/130	39	60/61,2	2
<b>Second Irradiation ( 0..0.2dpa)</b>								
4R(TA-2)	4,8/6,9	42,7	29,9/62,5	109	51/25	51	61/73,8	21
4T(AR-2)	9,3/10	7,5	5,7/17	198	215/80	62	57/60,4	6
4A(RT-2)	8,8/9,3	5,7	5,75/12	109	215/105	51	60/62,4	4
<b>Third Irradiation ( 0..2dpa)</b>								
4R(TA-3)	3,7/5,5	48,8	27.6/108	290	51/15	-70	61/74,4	22
4T(AR-3)	8,3/9,1	9,6	5.56/26,8	370	215/55	-74	57/59,9	5
4A(RT-3)	9,4/10,2	8,5	5,5/26,5	381	215/56	72	60/62,4	4

# Dose dependence of radiation swelling for three orientations of graphite.

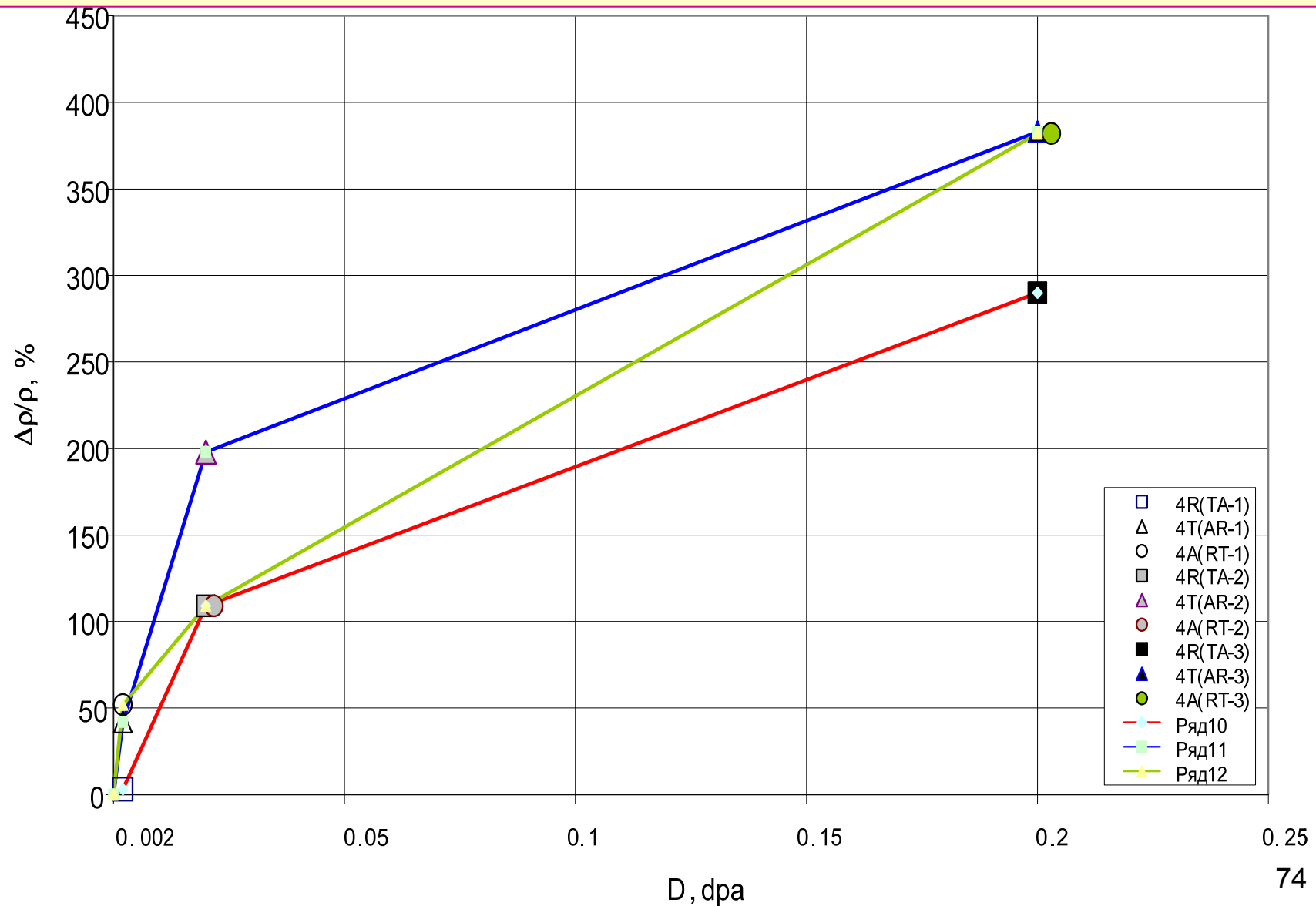




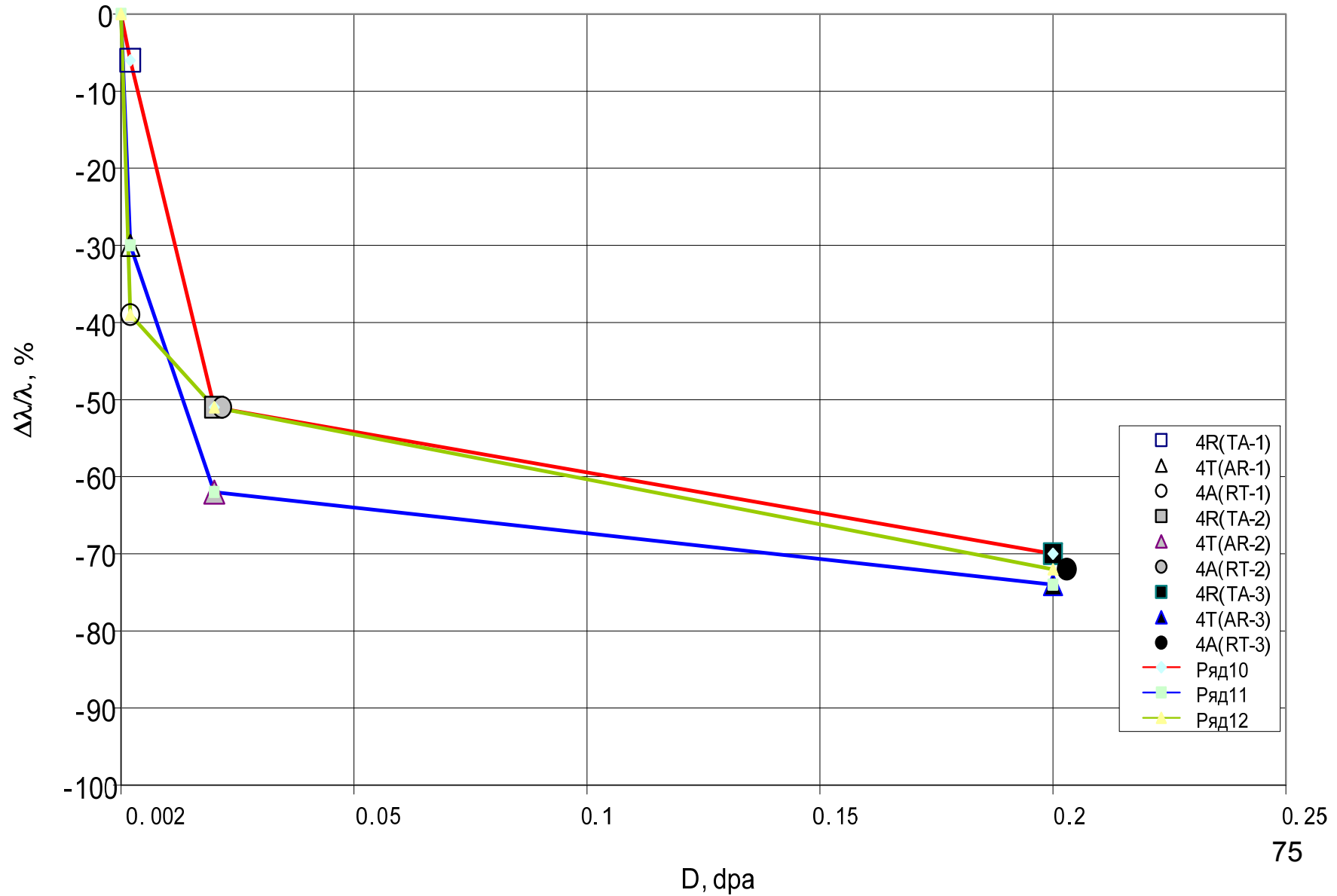
# Dose dependence of elastic Yung module for three orientations of graphite.



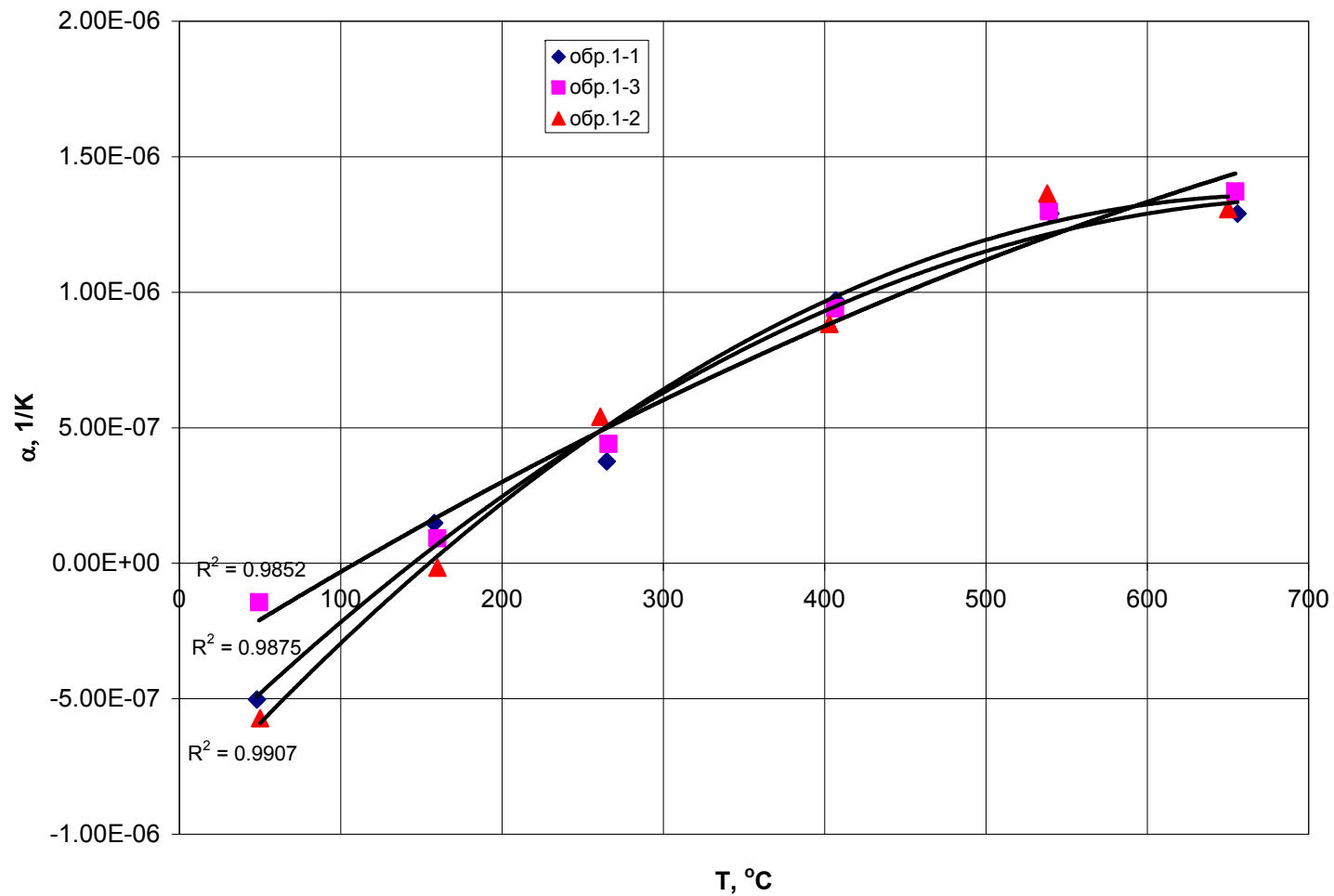
## Dose dependence of electrical resistance for three orientations of graphite.



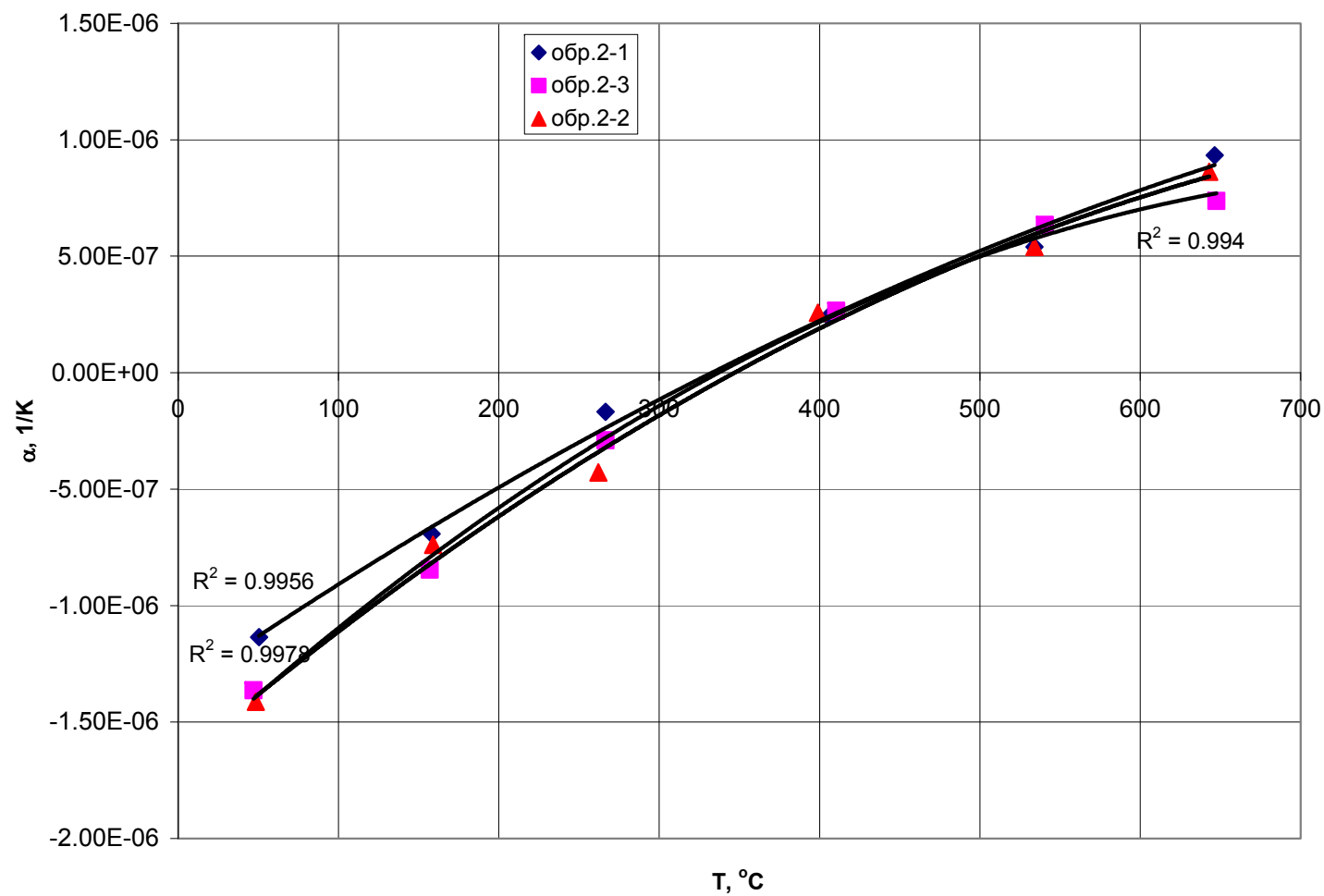
# Dose dependence of thermal expansion coefficient for three orientations of graphite.



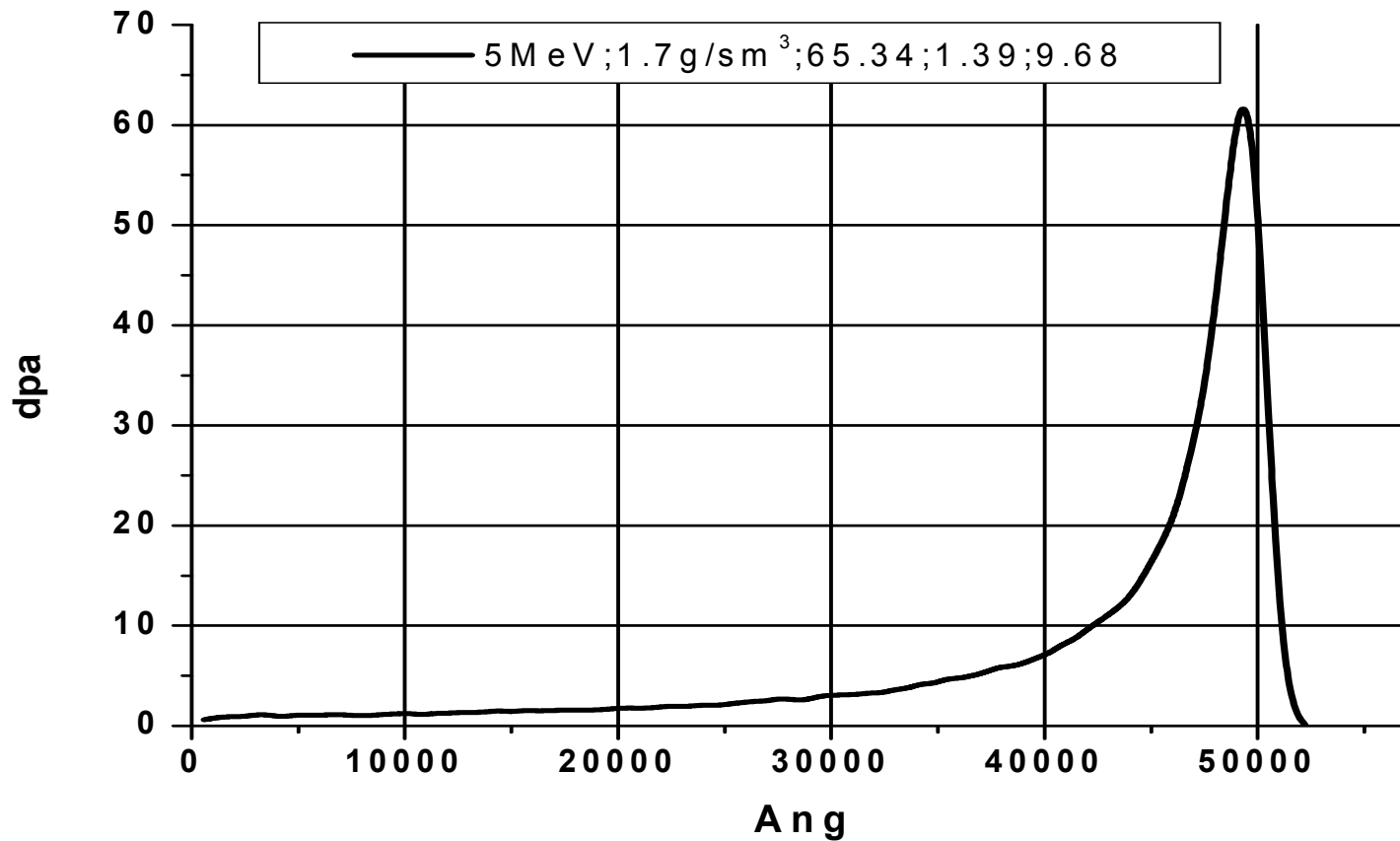
# Temperature dependence of thermal expansion coefficient of REC.



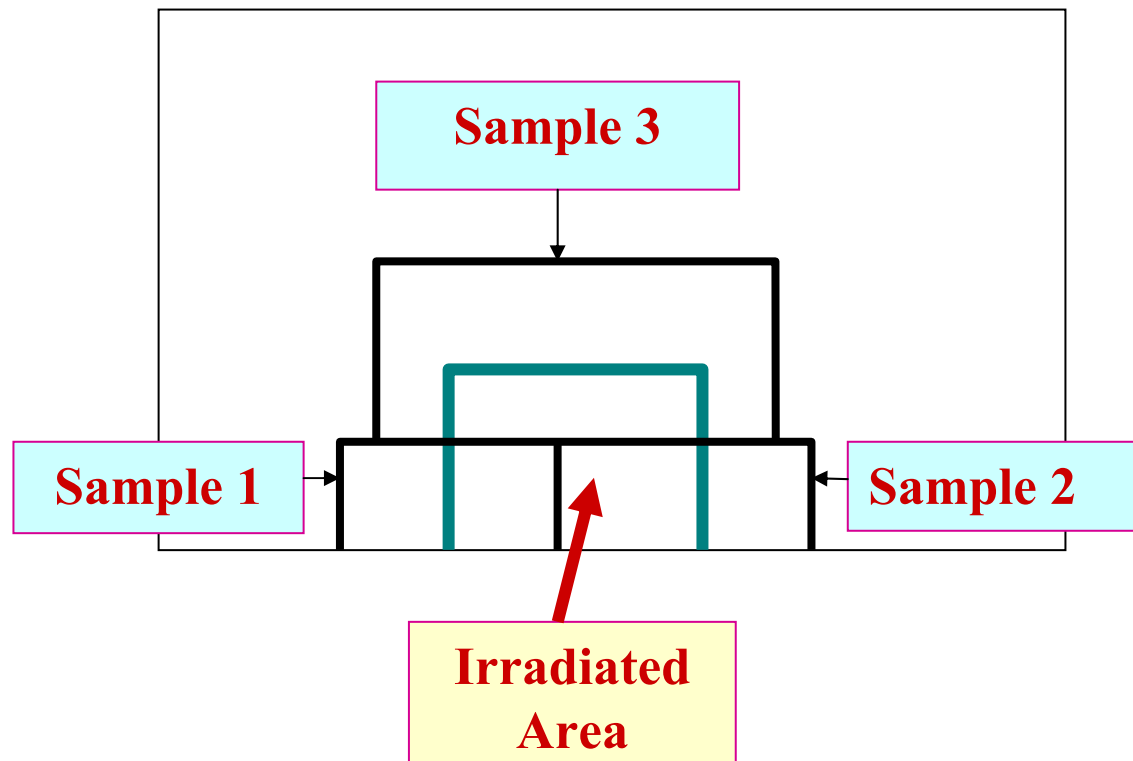
# Temperature dependence of thermal expansion coefficient of AC 150.



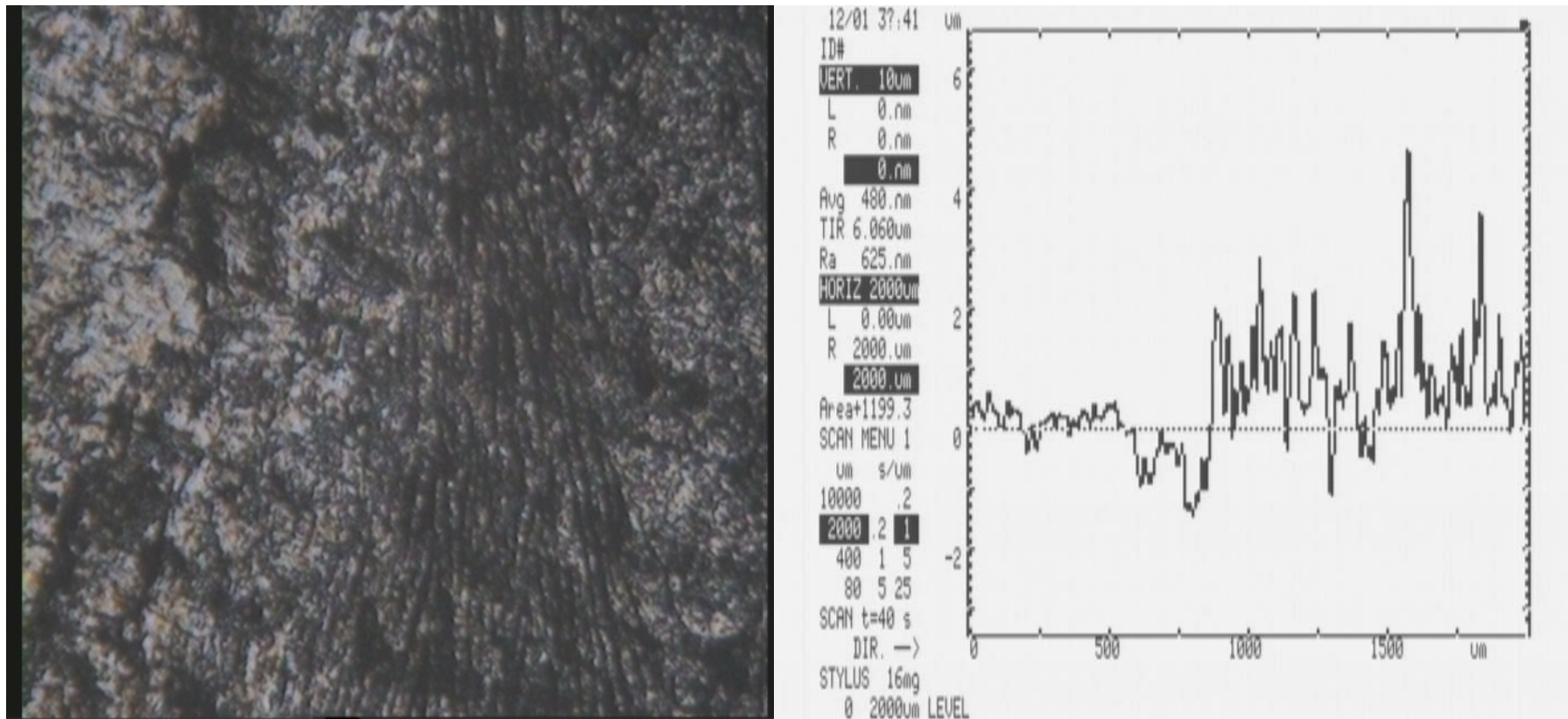
# Generation Rate of Point Defects under Irradiation of Graphite by 5 MeV Carbon Ions at Irradiation Dose $5.10E17\text{cm}^2$



# Scheme of Irradiation of Graphite Samples

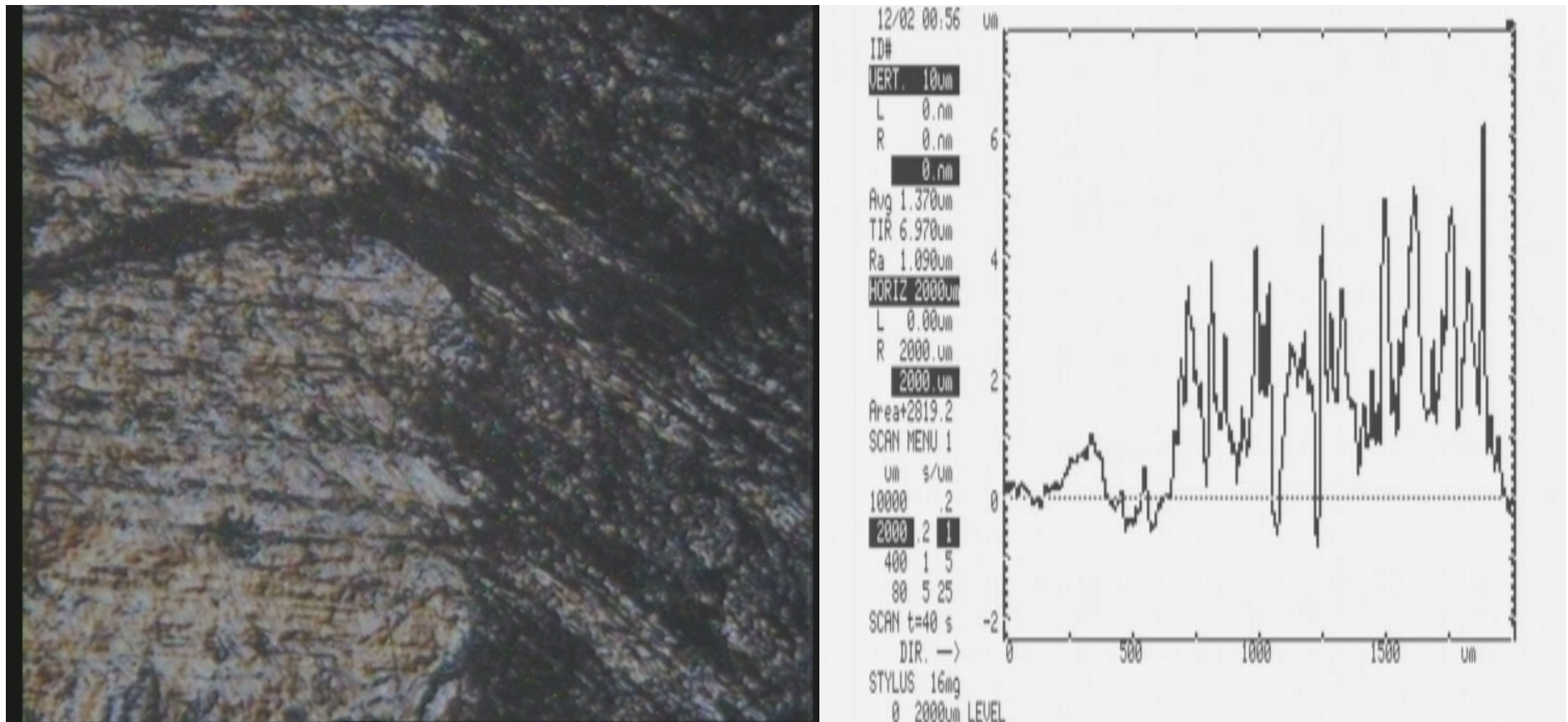


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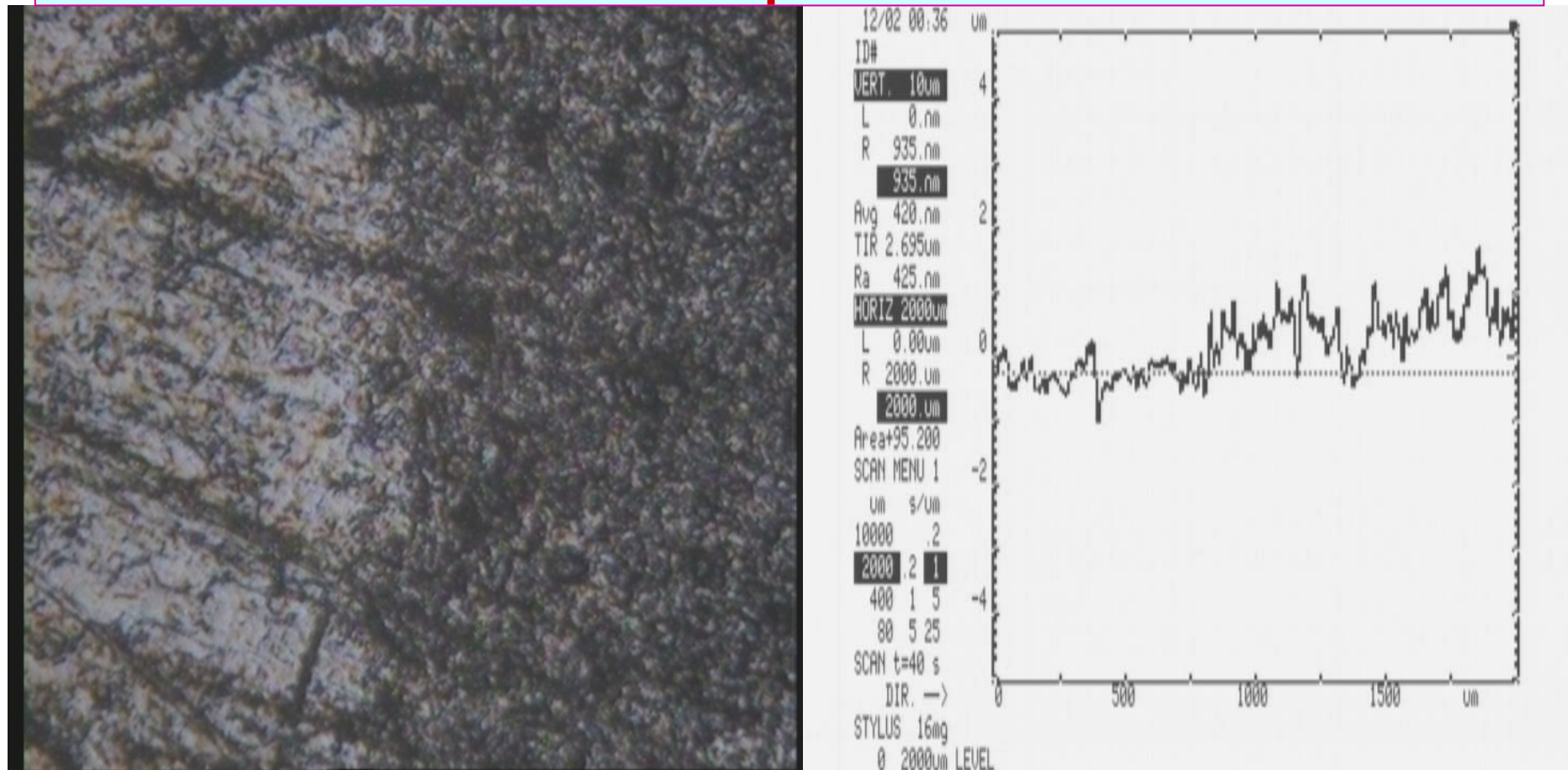




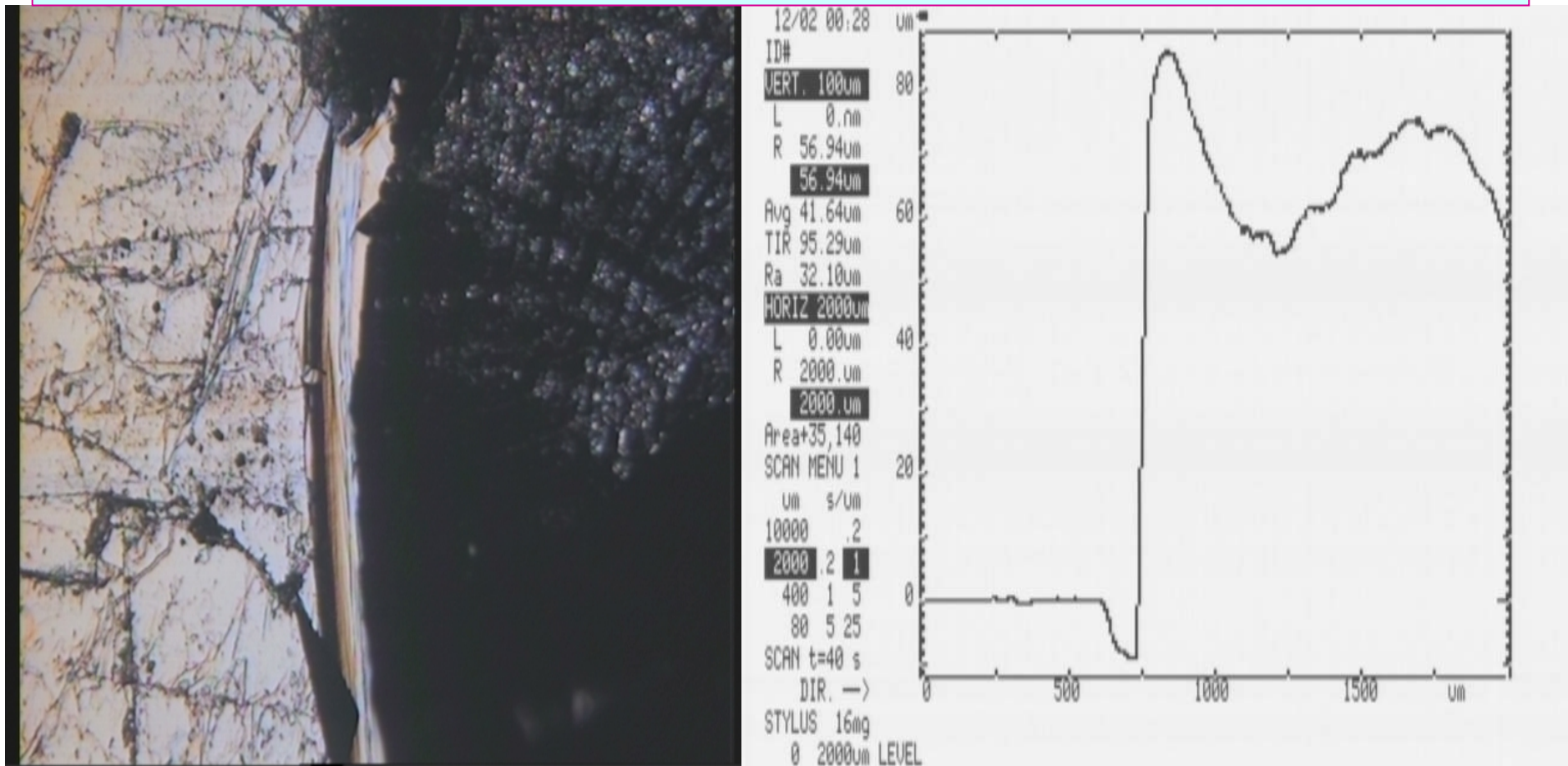
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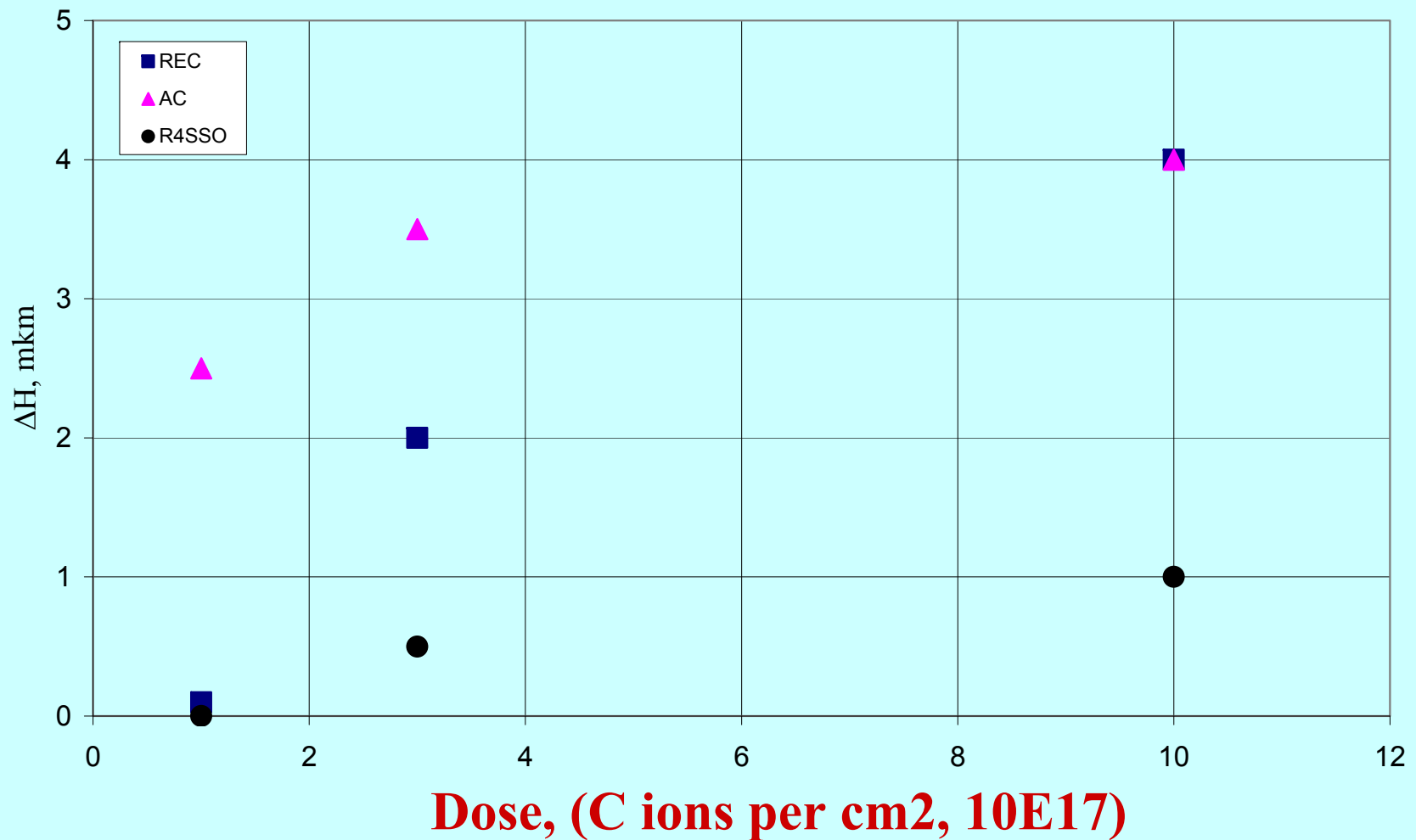
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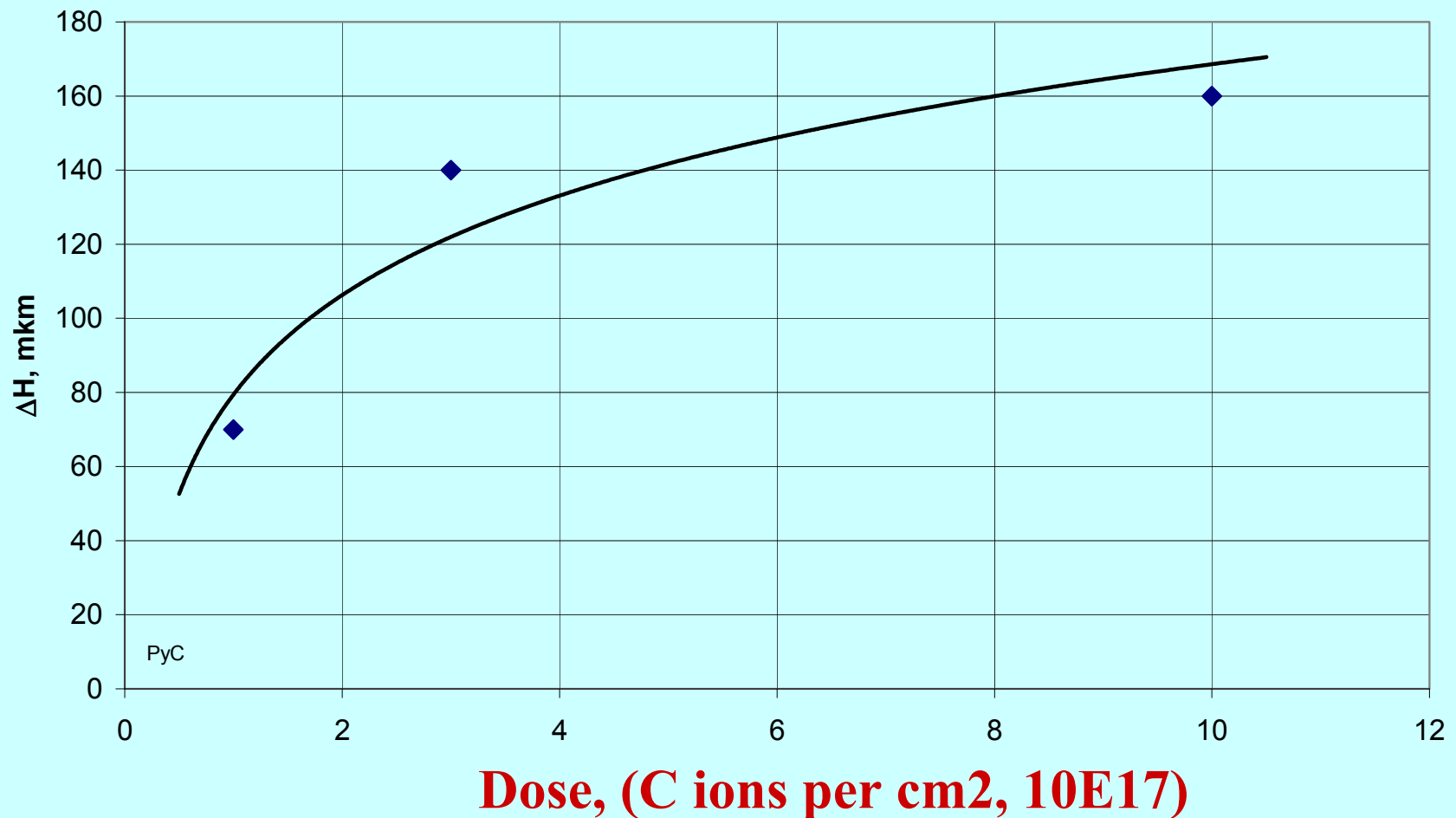
# Measurements of Radiation Induced Deformation in Pyro-Graphite Material Irradiated by Carbon Ions with the Energy 5 MeV at Irradiation Dose: $1 \times 10^{17}$ p/cm<sup>2</sup>



# Dose Dependence of Radiation Swelling of Graphite Collimator Materials of LHC



# Dose Dependence of Radiation Swelling of Pyro-graphite Material



# **Future tests for of physical – mechanical properties changes on proton irradiated Graphite Collimator Materials for LHC**

**The following measurements shall be performed in all three directions of the irradiated C-C graphite materials (where applicable):**

- **Thermal conductivity (to  $\pm 5$  W/m/K).**
- **Electrical resistivity (to  $\pm 1$  m $\Omega$  m).**
- **Thermal expansion coefficient (to  $\pm 10^{-6}$  /  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).**
- **Mechanical strength (elastic modulus, deformation to rupture, ultimate tensile and compression stress, yield stress).**
- **Microstructure change with scale (visual analysis).**
- **Radiation erosion.**
- **Density and specific heat.**
- **Dimensions.**

**Make analysis with TEM, STEM, radiography and mechanical and electrical test equipment on irradiated and non-irradiated samples.**

- **Make theoretical analysis (dpa levels per sample and help in predictions for the LHC irradiation conditions).**



# Theoretical modeling of shock wave formation under 450 GeV and 7 TeV proton beams in collimator materials for LHC

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# Conclusion

- ◆ The results presented here allow to clarify main physical mechanisms of radiation resistance of fission and fusion structural materials using charged particle irradiation on accelerators.
- ◆ Using accelerators of charged particles allow to investigate the following physical phenomena in irradiated materials for fission and fusion reactors:
  - *Radiation hardening*
  - *Radiation swelling*
  - *Irradiation creep*
  - *Helium and hydrogen embrittlement*
  - *Fracture processes under irradiation*at high irradiation doses and different temperatures.
- ◆ The changes of physical-mechanical properties for the following fission and fusion structural materials can be analysed:
  - Graphite and C-C composites
  - Ceramic materials: SiC, MgO, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>
  - Zr alloys
  - Ferritic / martensitic and austenitic steels
  - ODS materials
  - V alloys
- ◆ Using accelerators can help to make chose more radiation resistance materials for fission and fusion reactors during short irradiation time comparing with atomic reactors