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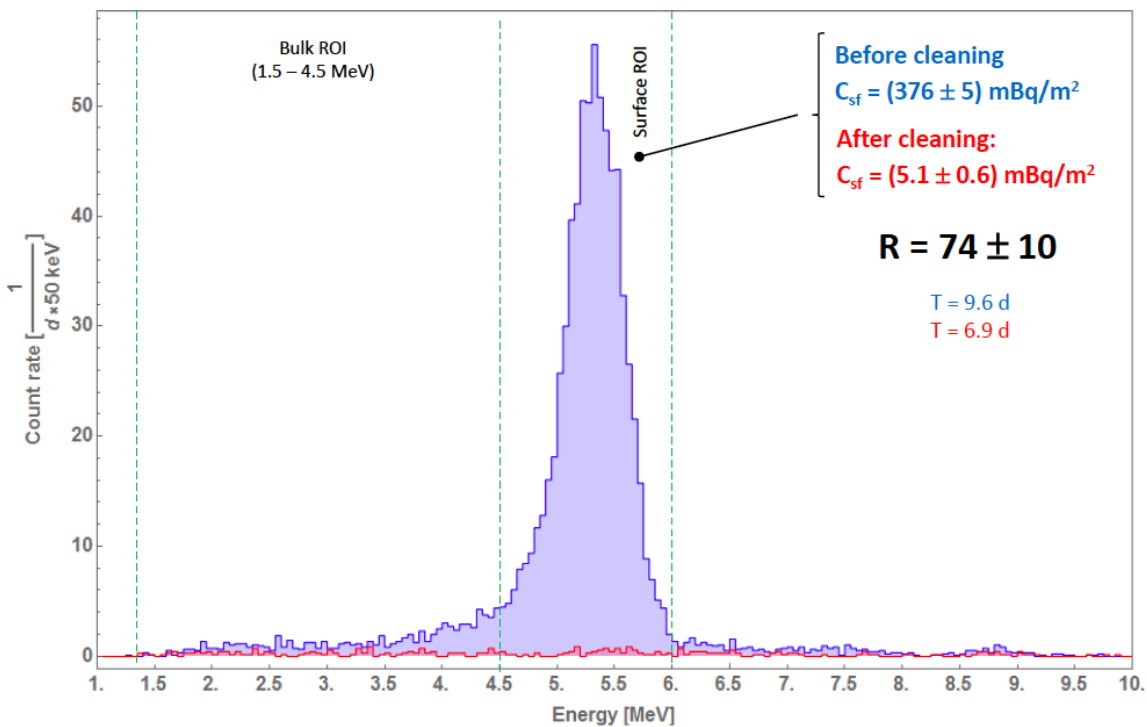
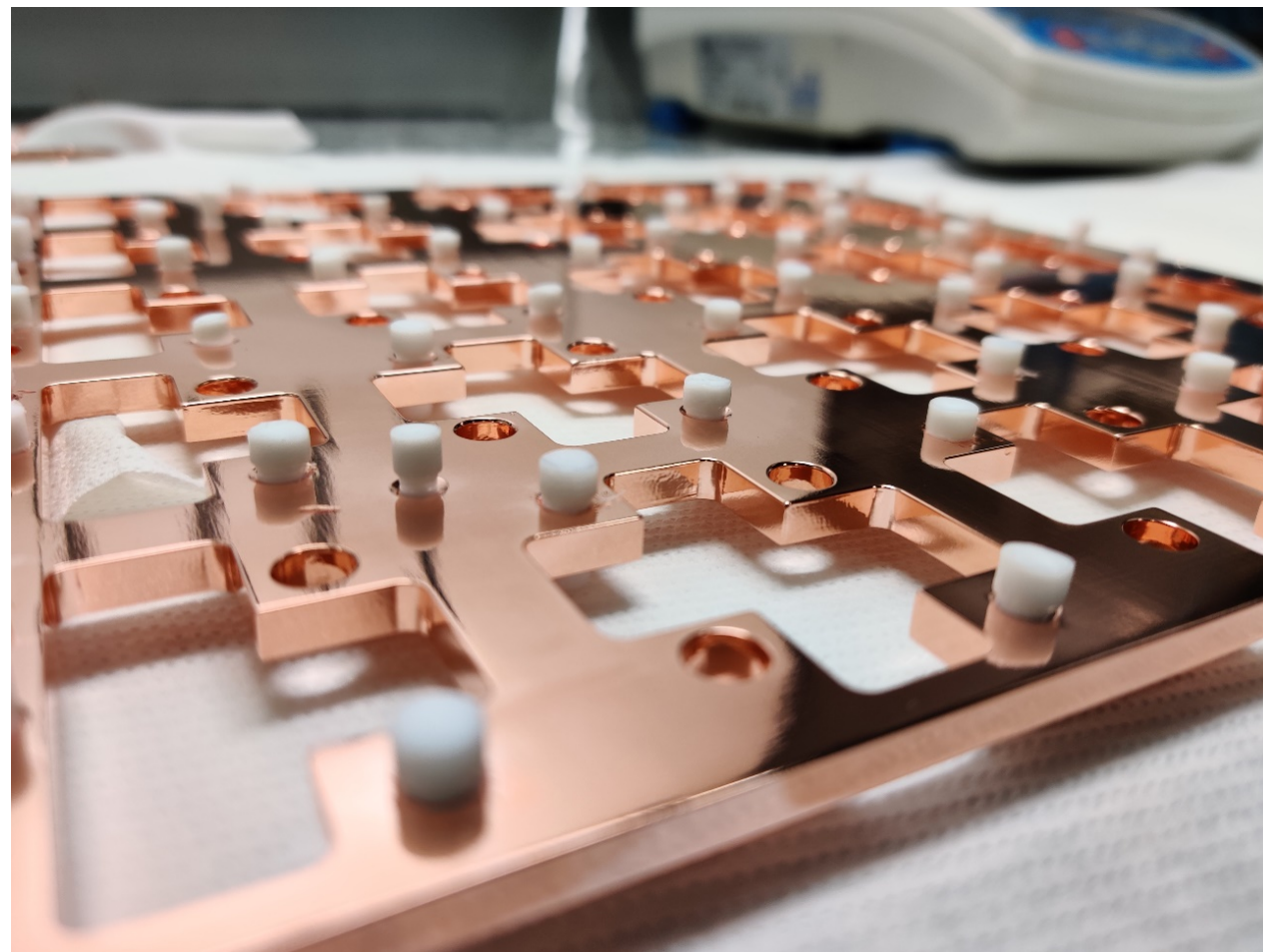
- 4 National Laboratories
- 20 Divisions
- 6 Associated groups
- 3 National Centres and Schools
- 1 International consortia



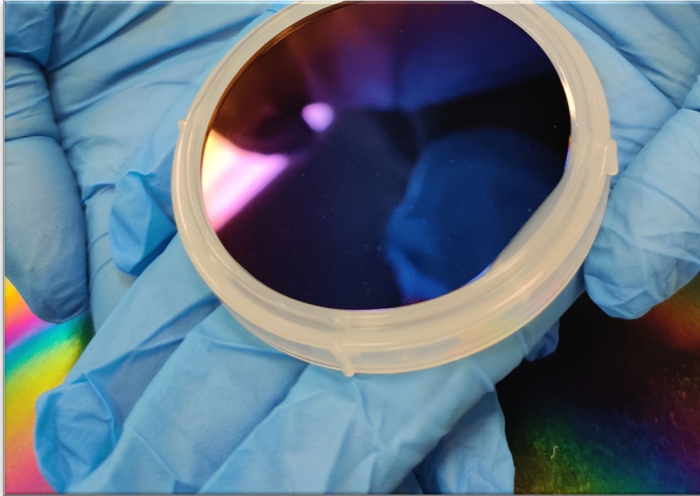
LNL Competencies (knowHow)

- **Surface Cleaning and Preparation of Materials:**
 - *Physical Treatments: ex. Barrel Polishing*
 - *Chemical and Electrochemical Treatments: ex. Electropolishing, SUBU5*
- **Surface modification of Materials:**
 - *Physical Vapor Deposition (PVD)*
 - *Plasma Enhanced Chemical Vapor Deposition (PECVD)*
- *Vacuum Generation: ex. surfaces preparations, materials for vacuum applications, pumping units and procedure of handling and manipulations of vacuum components*

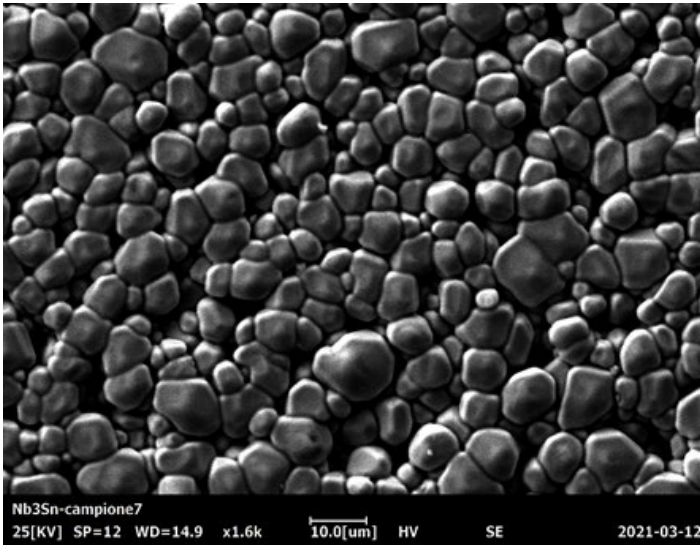
Surface Cleaning: ex. DS Copper Motherboard



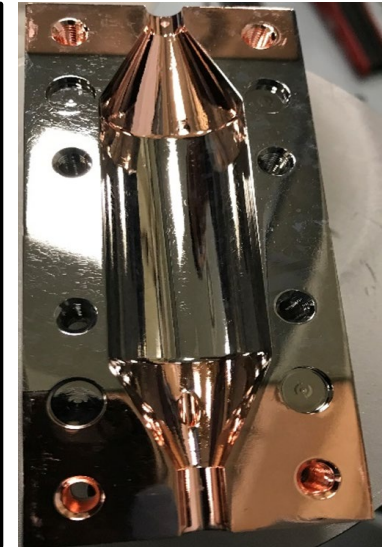
Surface Modifications: Thin films (less than 5 μm thick)



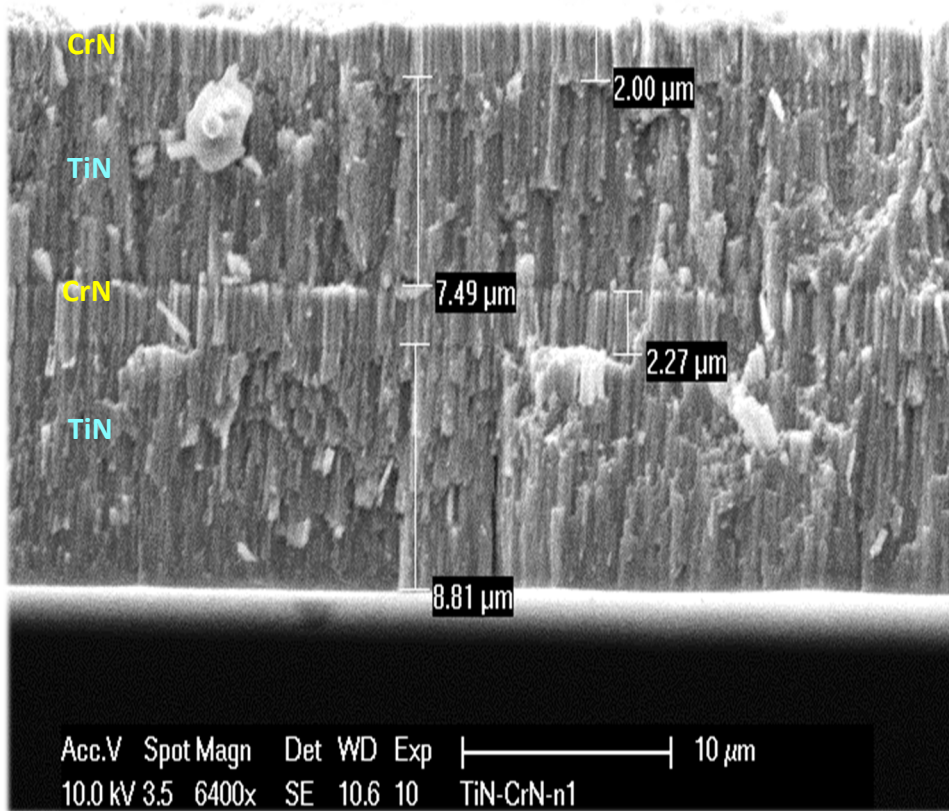
Antireflective Coatings as Nb_2O_5 or SiO_2



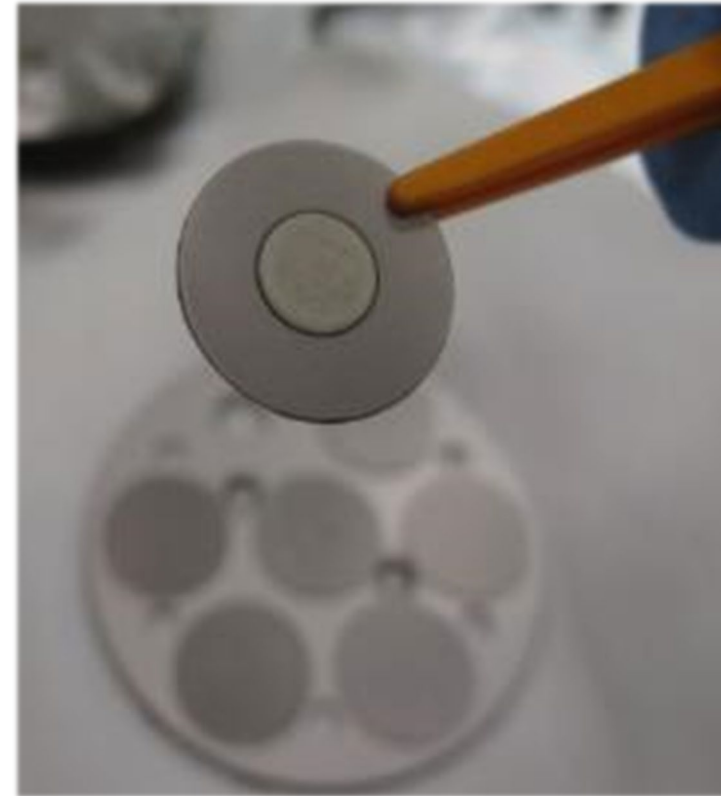
Superconductive Materials as Nb, NbTi or Nb_3Sn



Surface modifications: Thick films (until 100 μm thick)



Multilayered Hard Coatings as TiN/CrN



Yttrium thick film (more than 100 μm) for radiopharmaceutical applications

LNL for VACRET (R&D for ET)

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R&D on VAcuum and CRyogenic for *Einstein Telescope*

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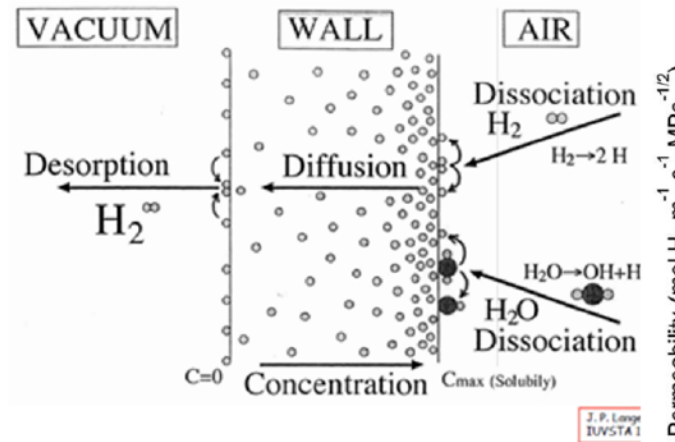
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LNL	Keppel Giorgio	0,1
LNL	Azzolini Oscar	0,1
LNL	Pira Cristian	0,1
LNL	ADR - senior (research fellow)	1
	Total FTE	1,30

Objective of LNL R&D: H₂ Outgassing reduction

The methods used for the reduction of H₂ outgassing (bulk effect, permeation effect) from stainless steel are mainly:

1. **Ex situ heating at high temperature in vacuum furnace** (vacuum firing 950°C): coupled with Glow Discharge of inert gases (bulk effect)
2. **Passive coatings also defined as Hydrogen Permeation Barrier (HPB):** Thin or thick film deposition (SiO₂, Al₂O₃, TiN, TiAlN) (Permeation effect)

Below, Hydrogen permeability scheme
 P. Michelato, *Vacuum technology advanced lessons*, December 12 - 14, 2016



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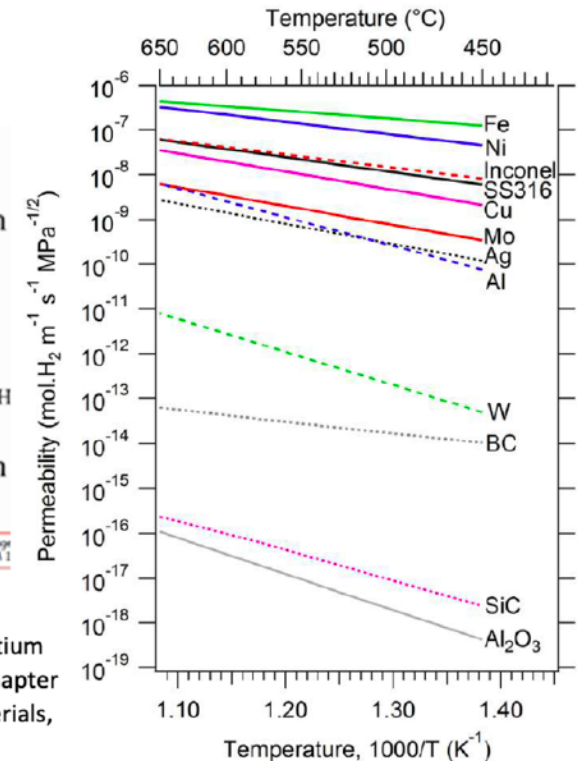


Fig. 3 Hydrogen permeability

LNL Research Program for HPB Coatings

Material Identification

Material	H ₂ permeability [mol H ₂ /m/s/Pa ^{0.5}]	T [°C]
Molybdenum	1.2E-11	500
Tungsten	4.3E-15	500
TiN	2.2E-17	400
TiAlN	6.5E-18	400
ZrN	7.9E-18	400
Cr ₂ O ₃	0.7E-18	400

Coating Technique Identification

1. Magnetron Sputtering
2. Cathodic Vacuum Arc
3. Plasma Spray

Research Goal

Combination of material and coating technique scalable for the dimensions of the ET vacuum pipe and suitable for the vacuum limit of the Experiment.