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On application of photothermostimulated exoelectron emission for characterisation of Nb films, deposited on copper

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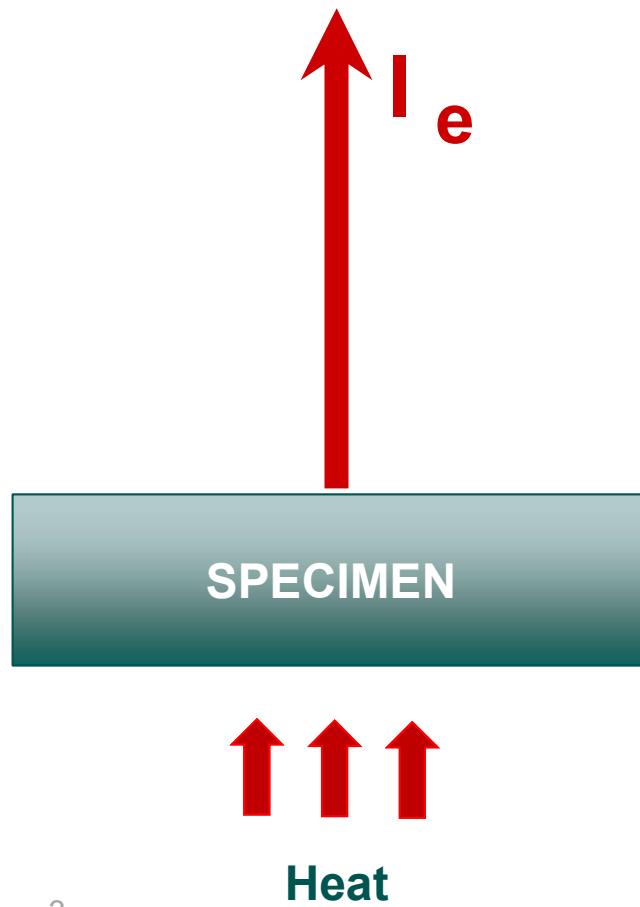
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Exoelectron emission

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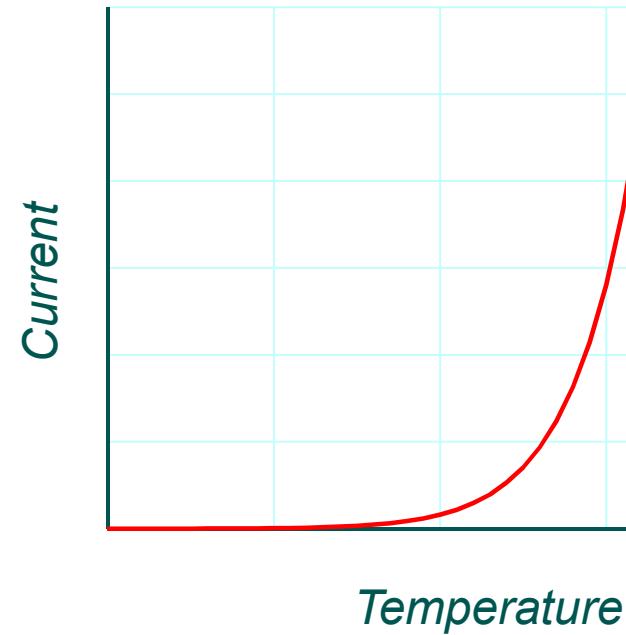
Emission of the defect surface

Thermionic emission

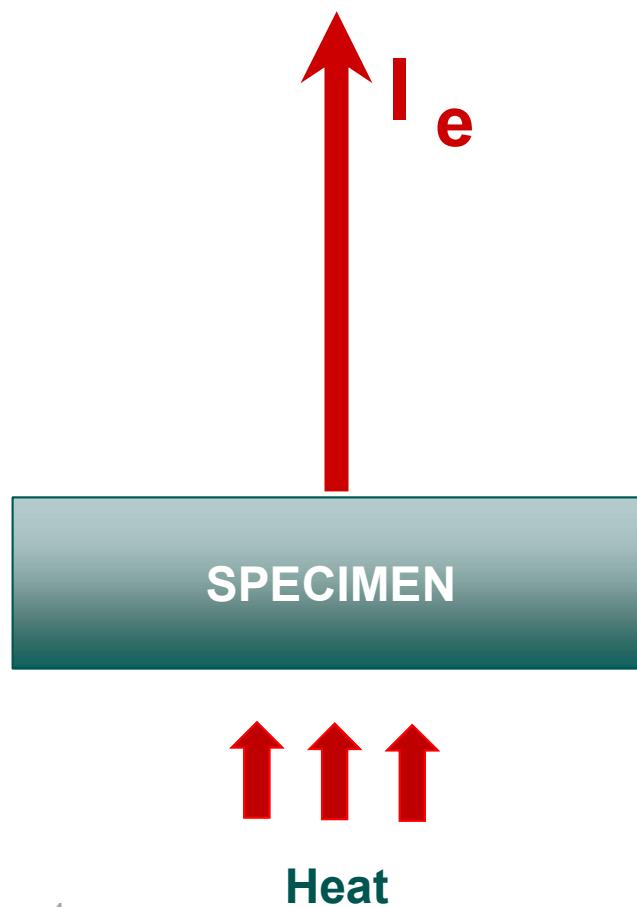


$$I = A_G T^2 e^{-\frac{W}{kT}}$$

Richardson's law

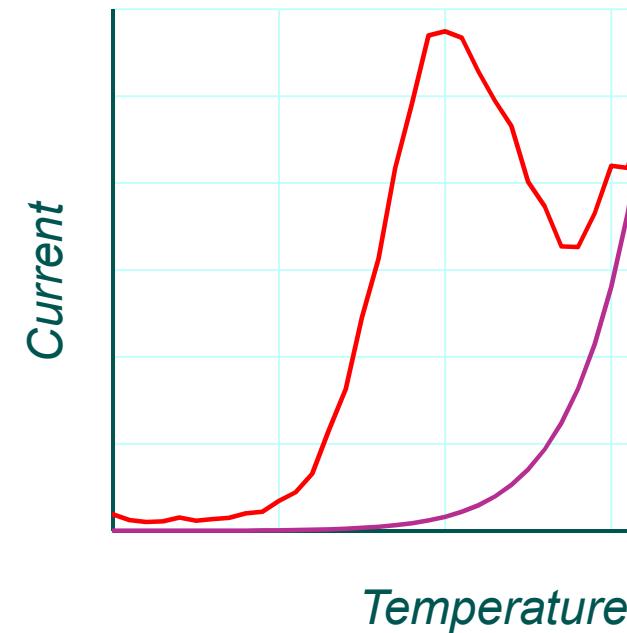


Thermostimulated Exoelectron emission

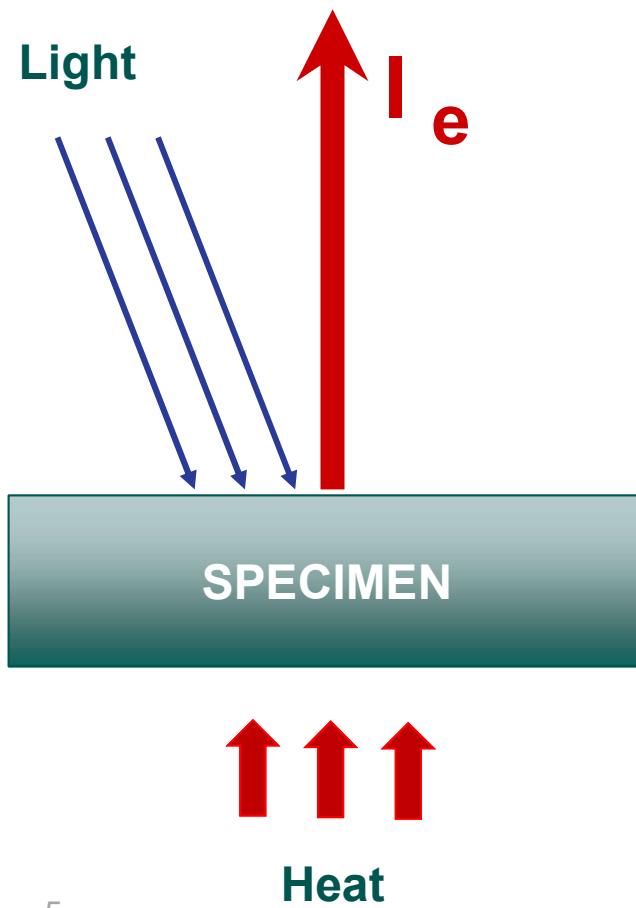


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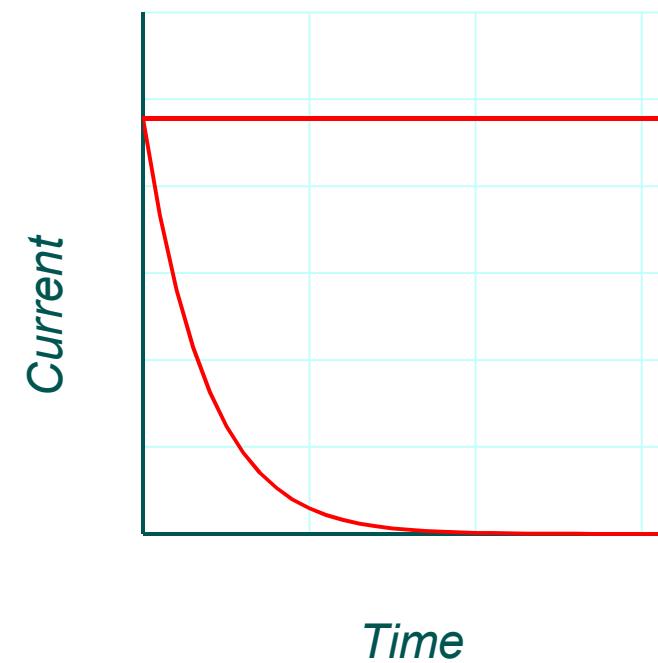
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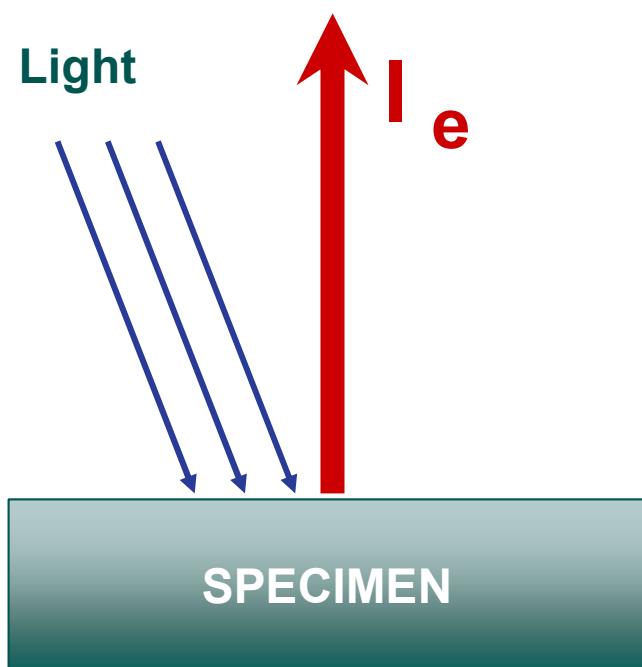
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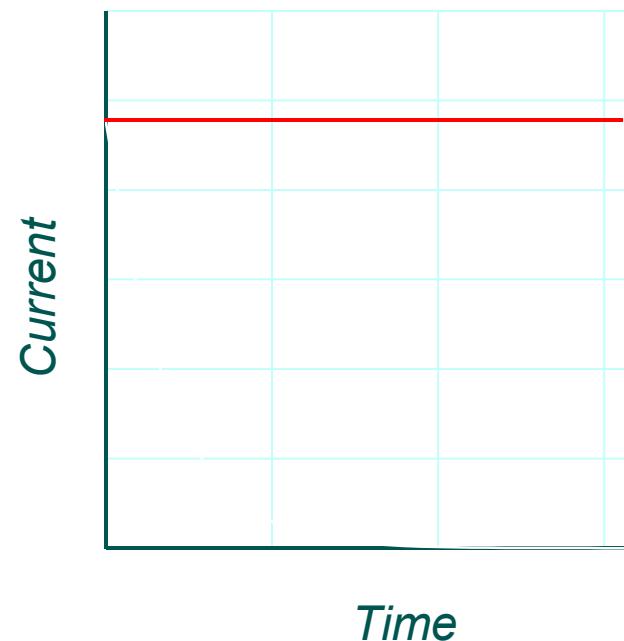
$$I_e \sim (h\nu - \varphi)^m$$



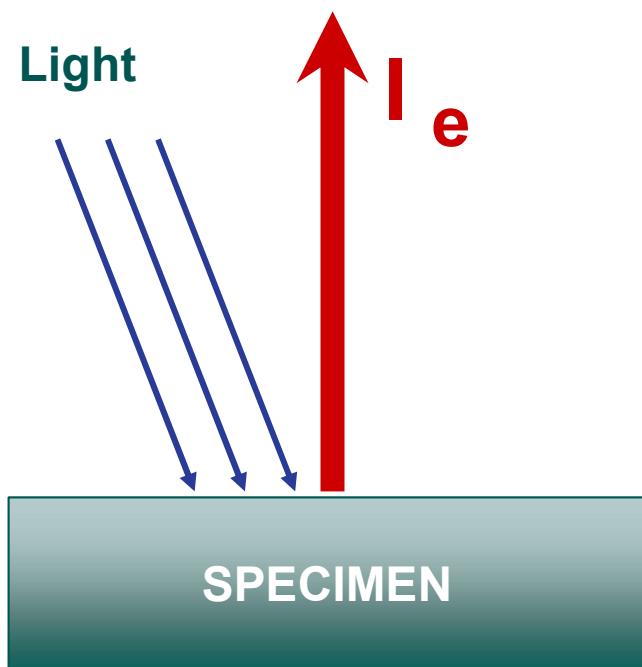
Photoelectron emission



$$I_e \sim A (h\nu - \varphi)^m$$



Optically stimulated exoemission



$$I_e \sim A(t) (hv - \varphi)^m$$

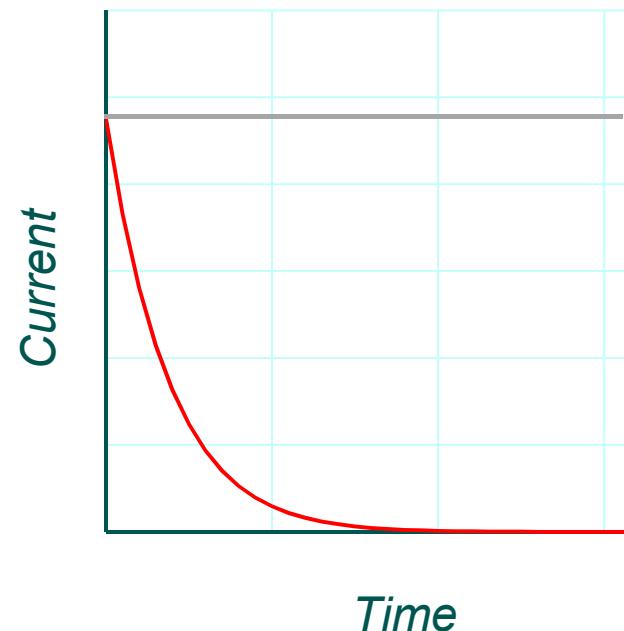
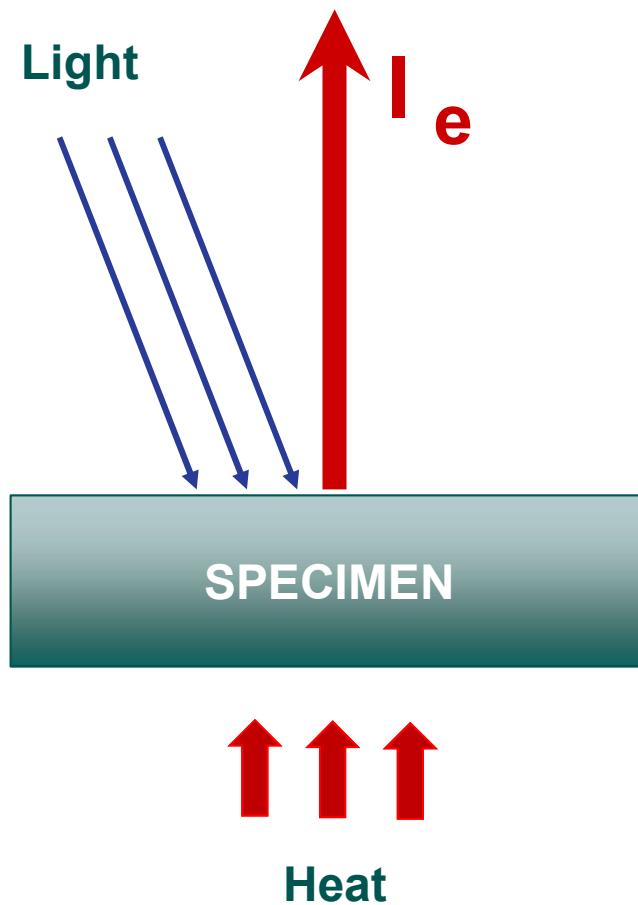


Photo-termostimulated exoemission



$$I_e(t) \sim A(t) (h\nu - \varphi(t))^m$$

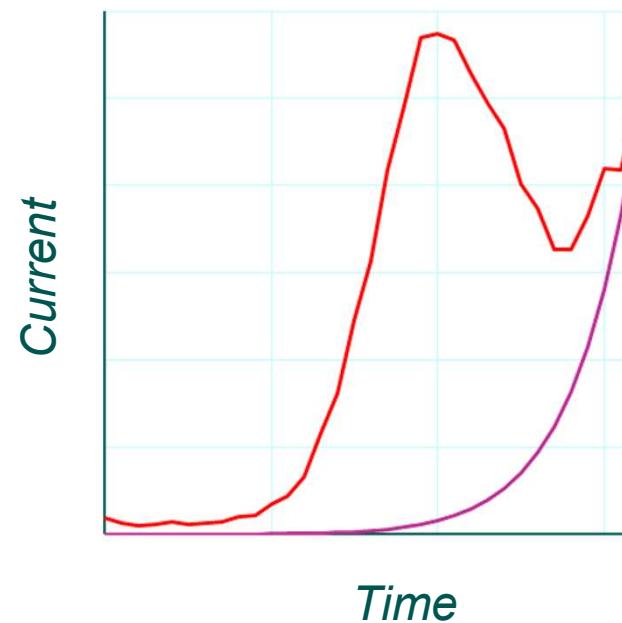
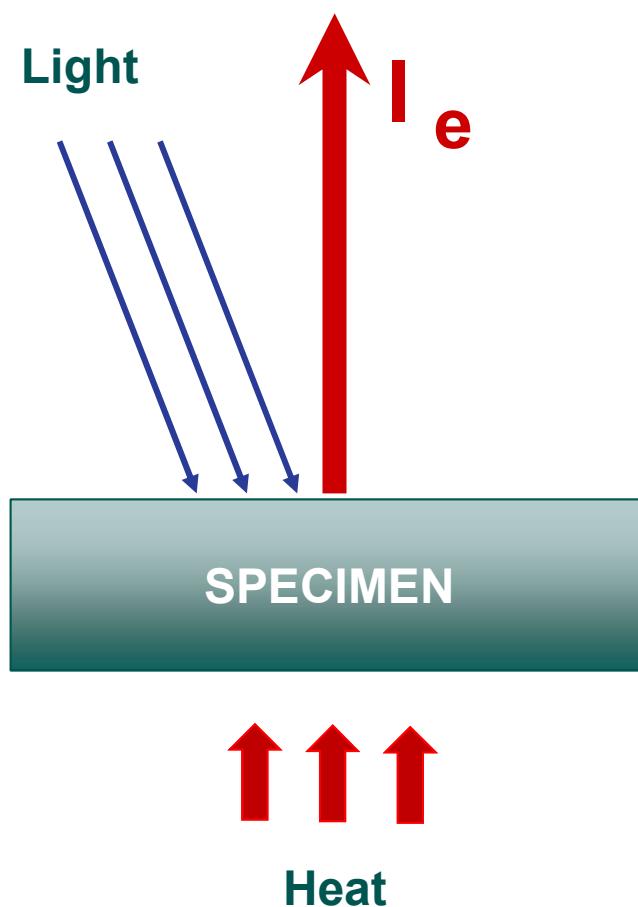
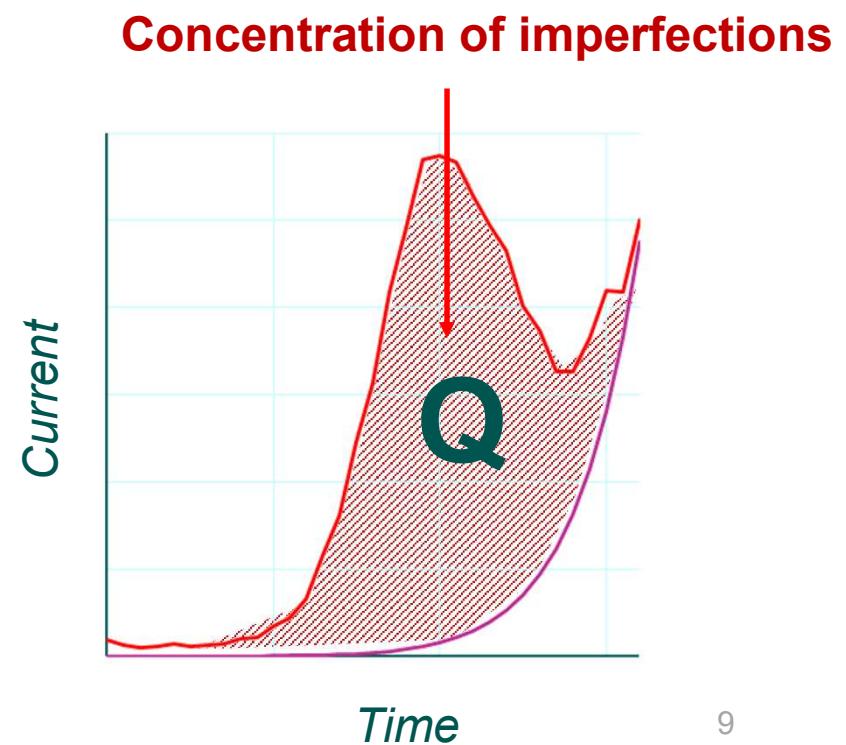


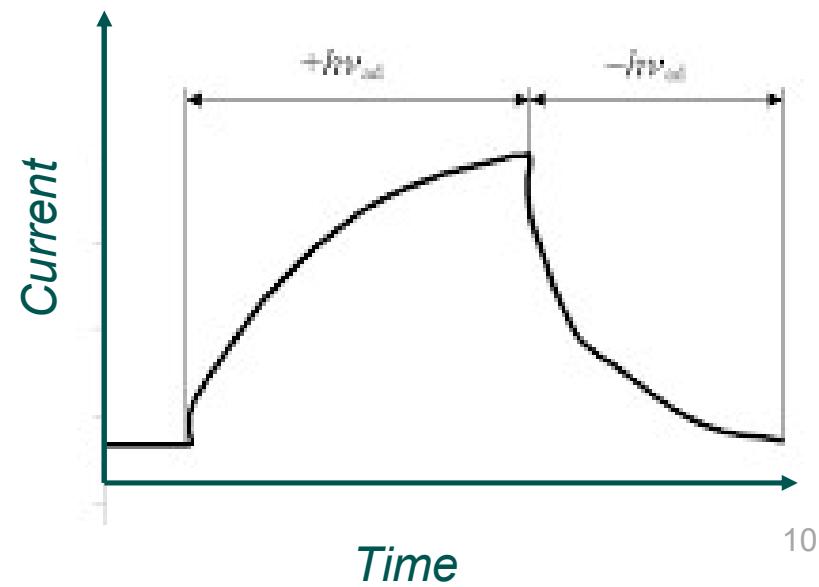
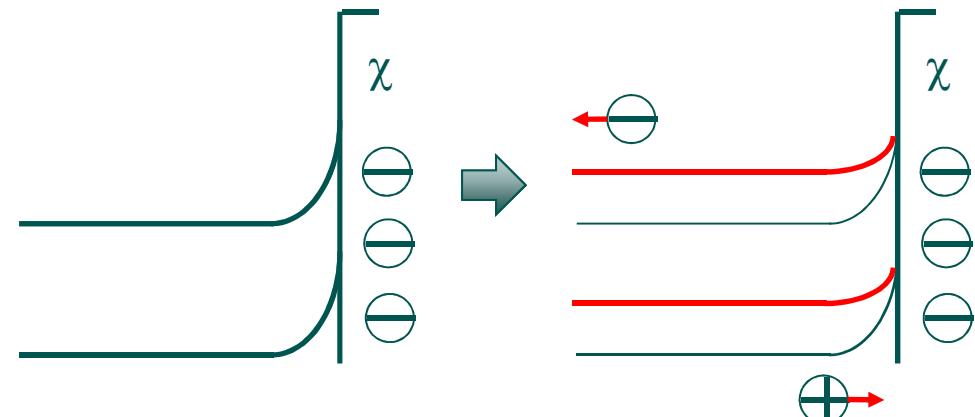
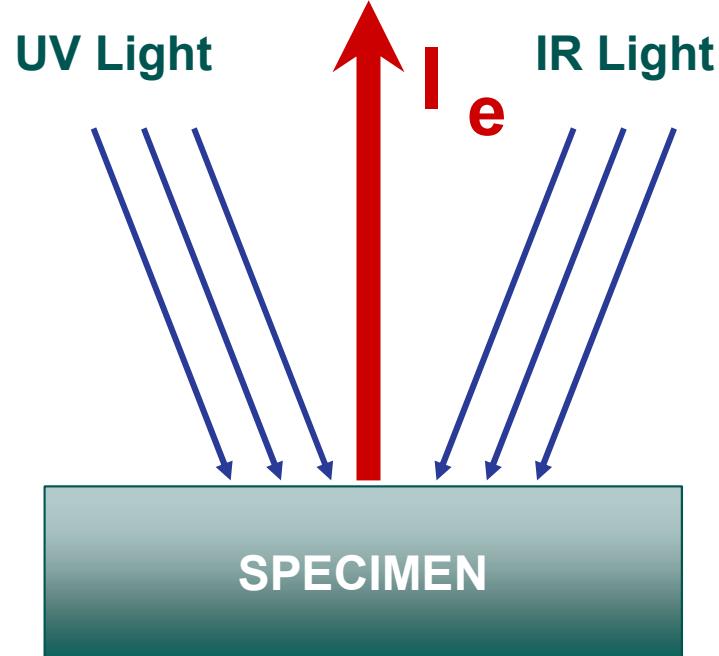
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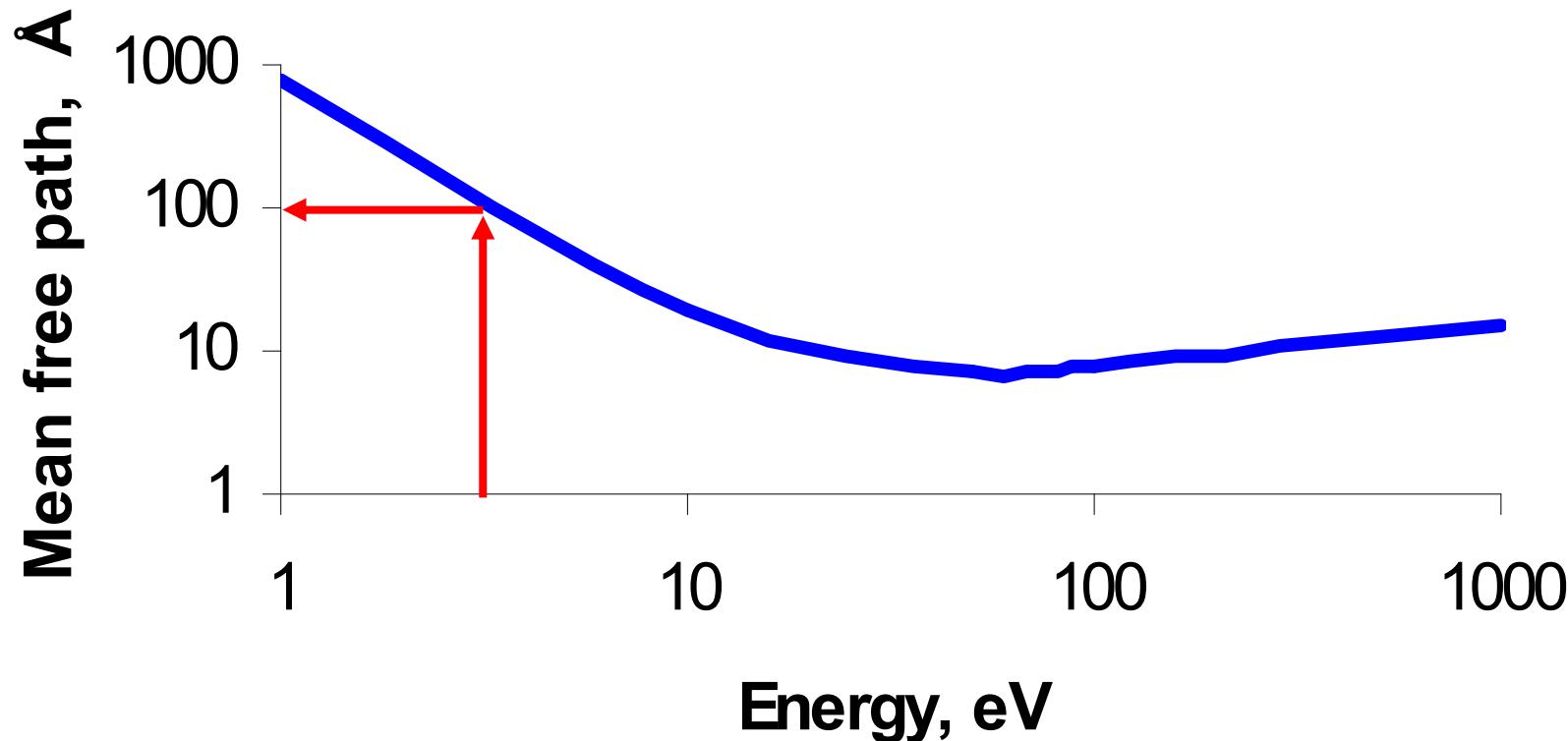
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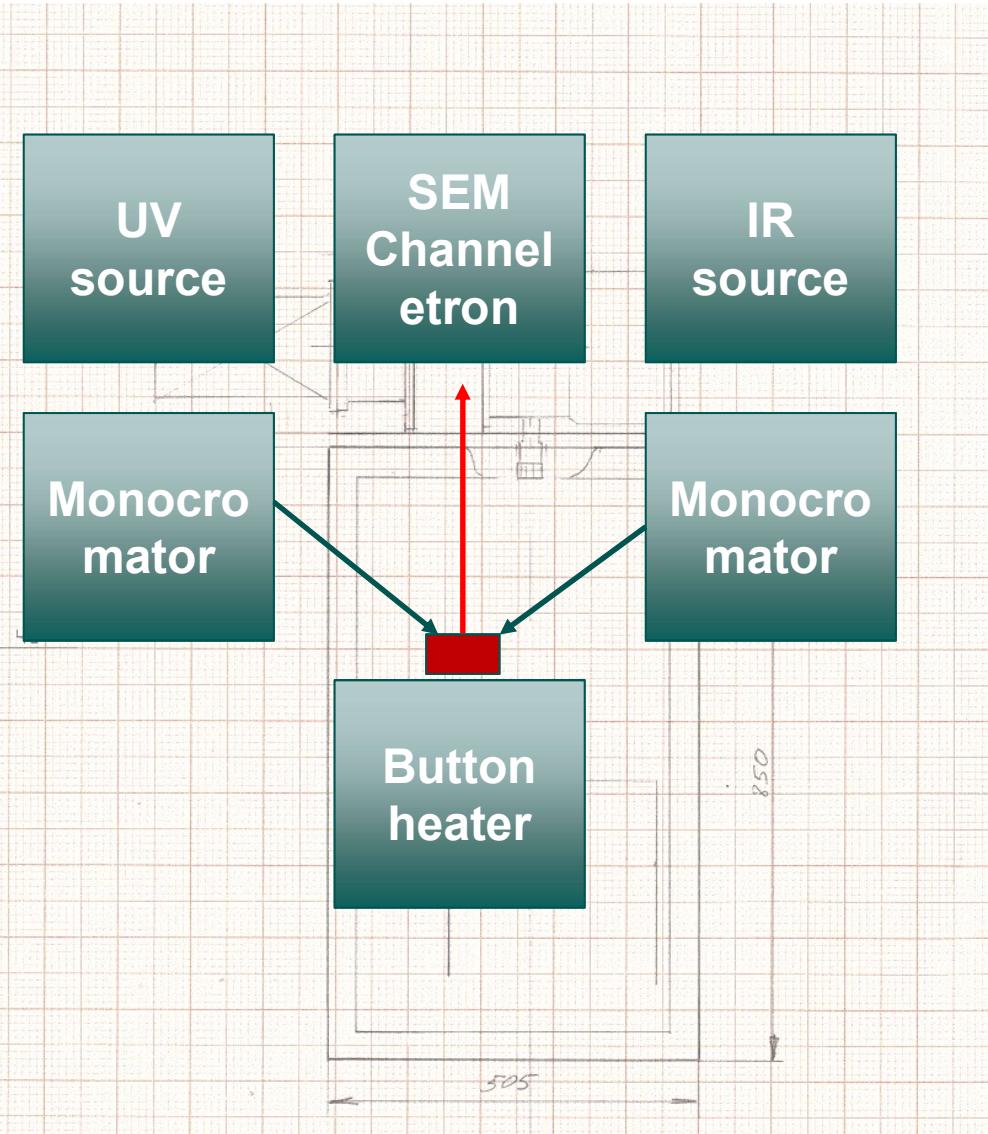
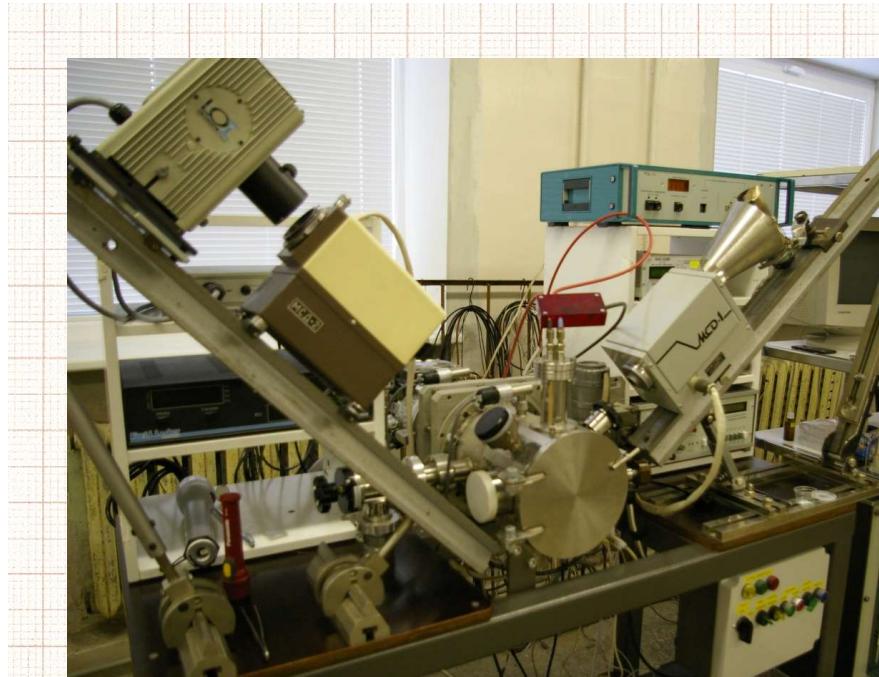
Dual photostimulated emission



Electron escape depth



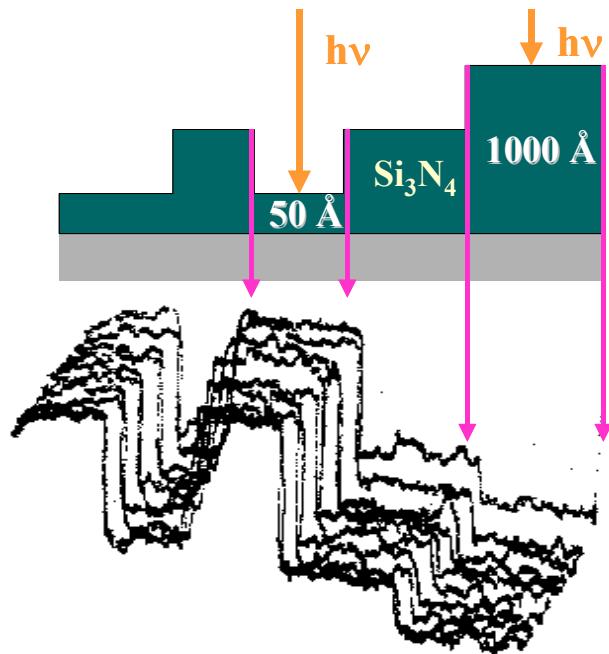
Exoelectron spectrometer



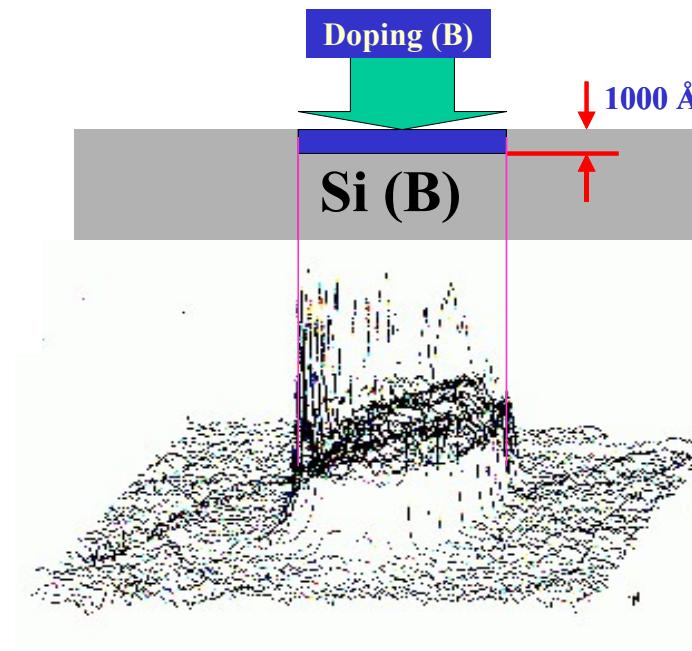
- + Scanning over 50 x50 mm
- + Stretching *in vaccuo*

Photoemission: applications

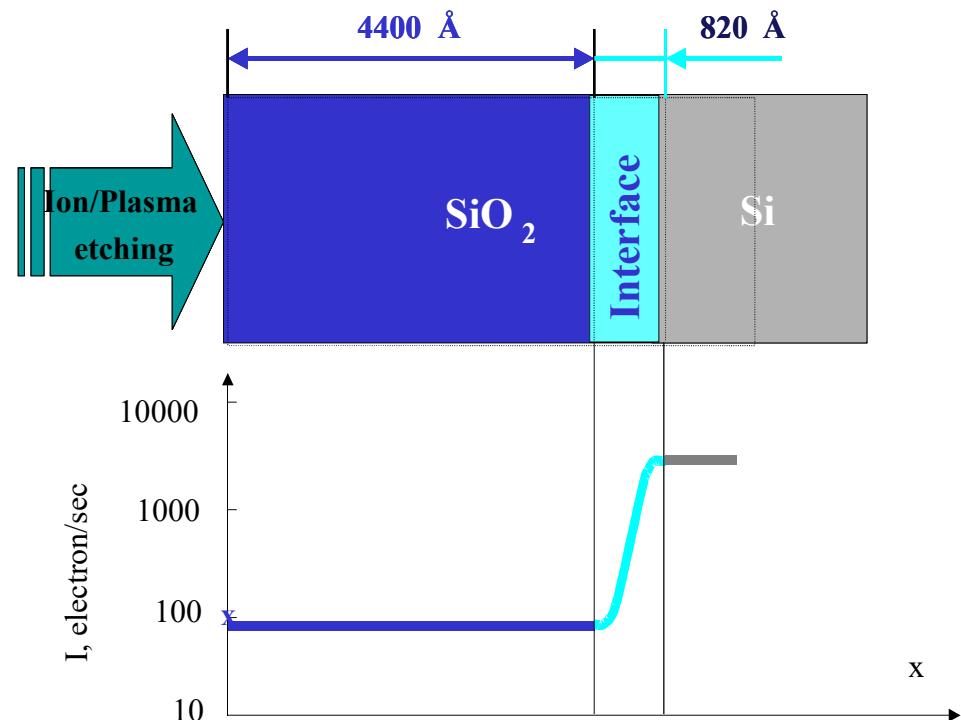
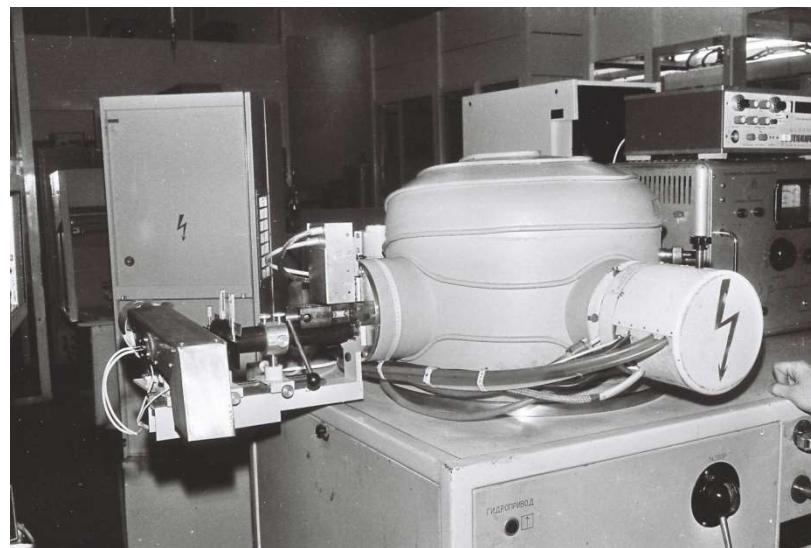
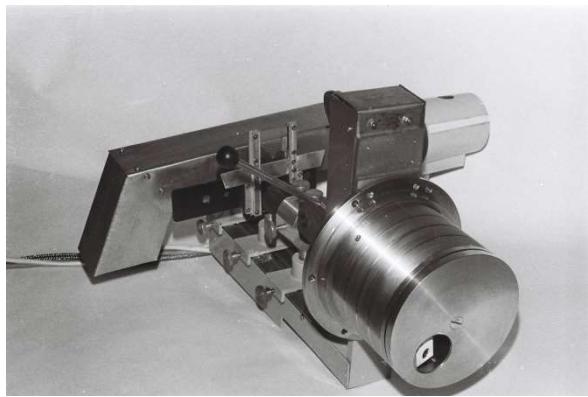
Evaluation of thin film thickness



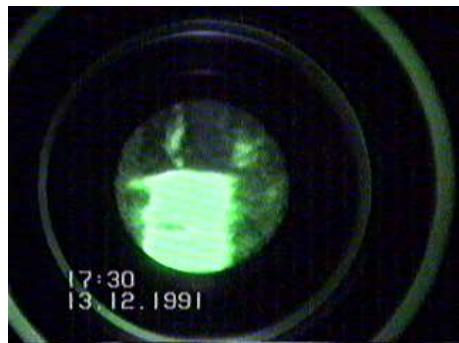
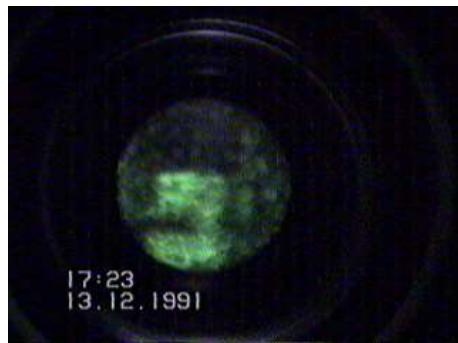
Detection of lattice distortion



In situ monitoring of the etching process

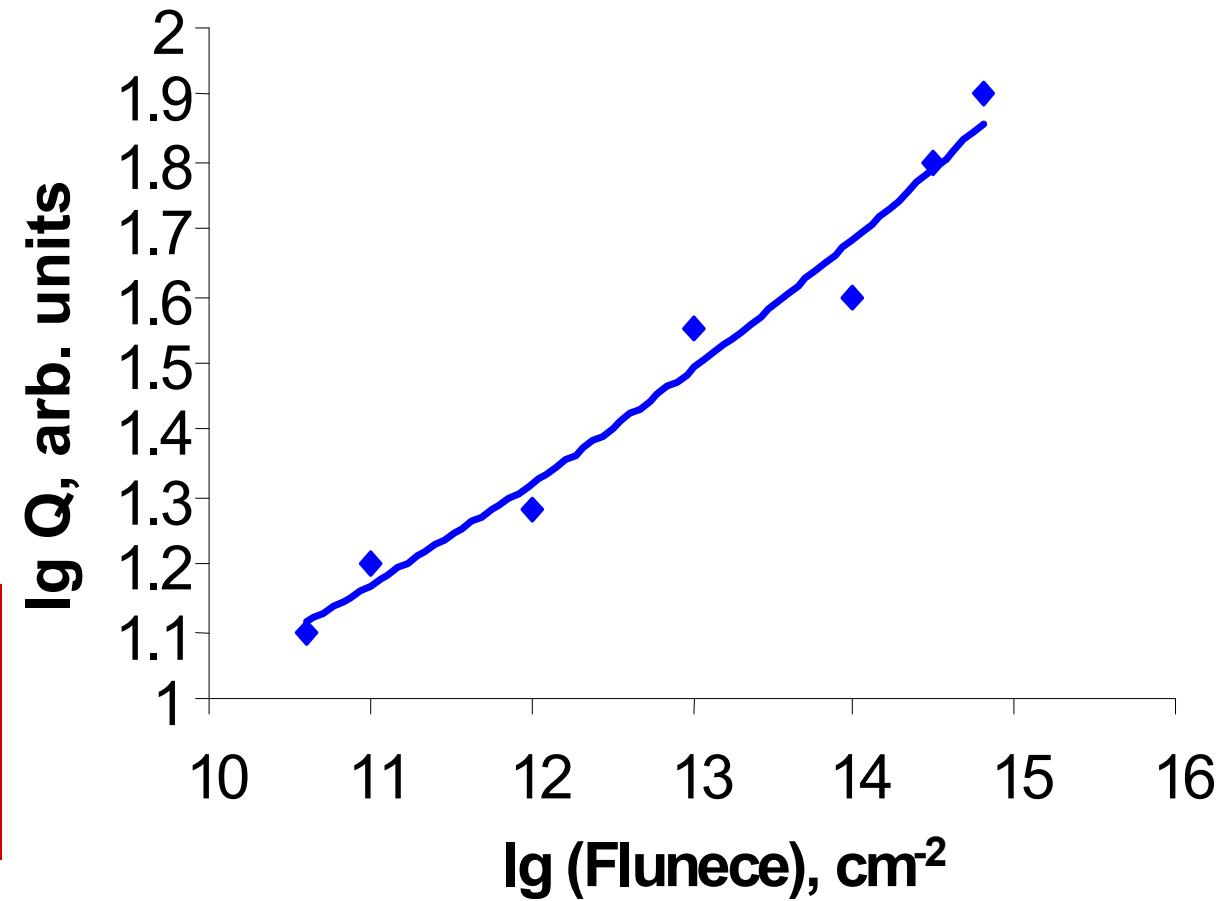


Exoemission of abraded Al

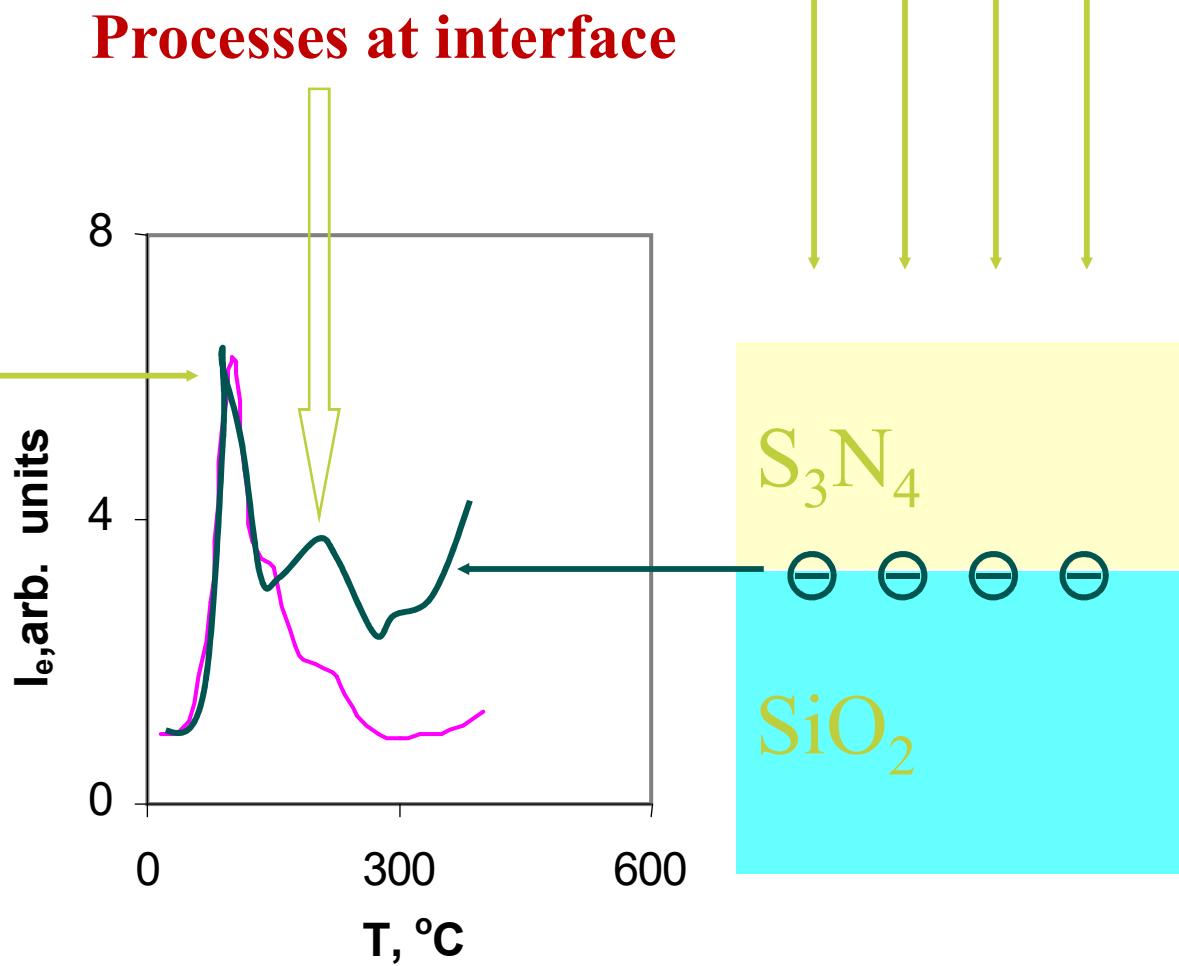
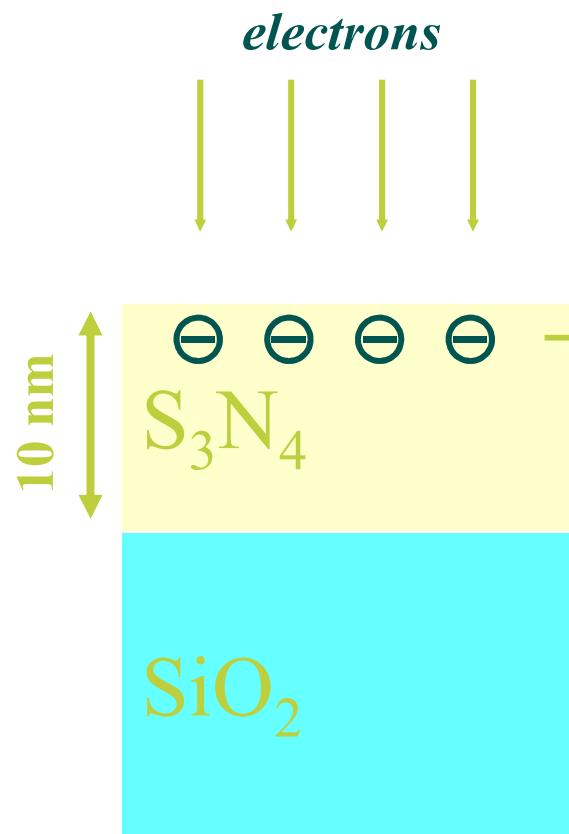


T: 100 – 550°C

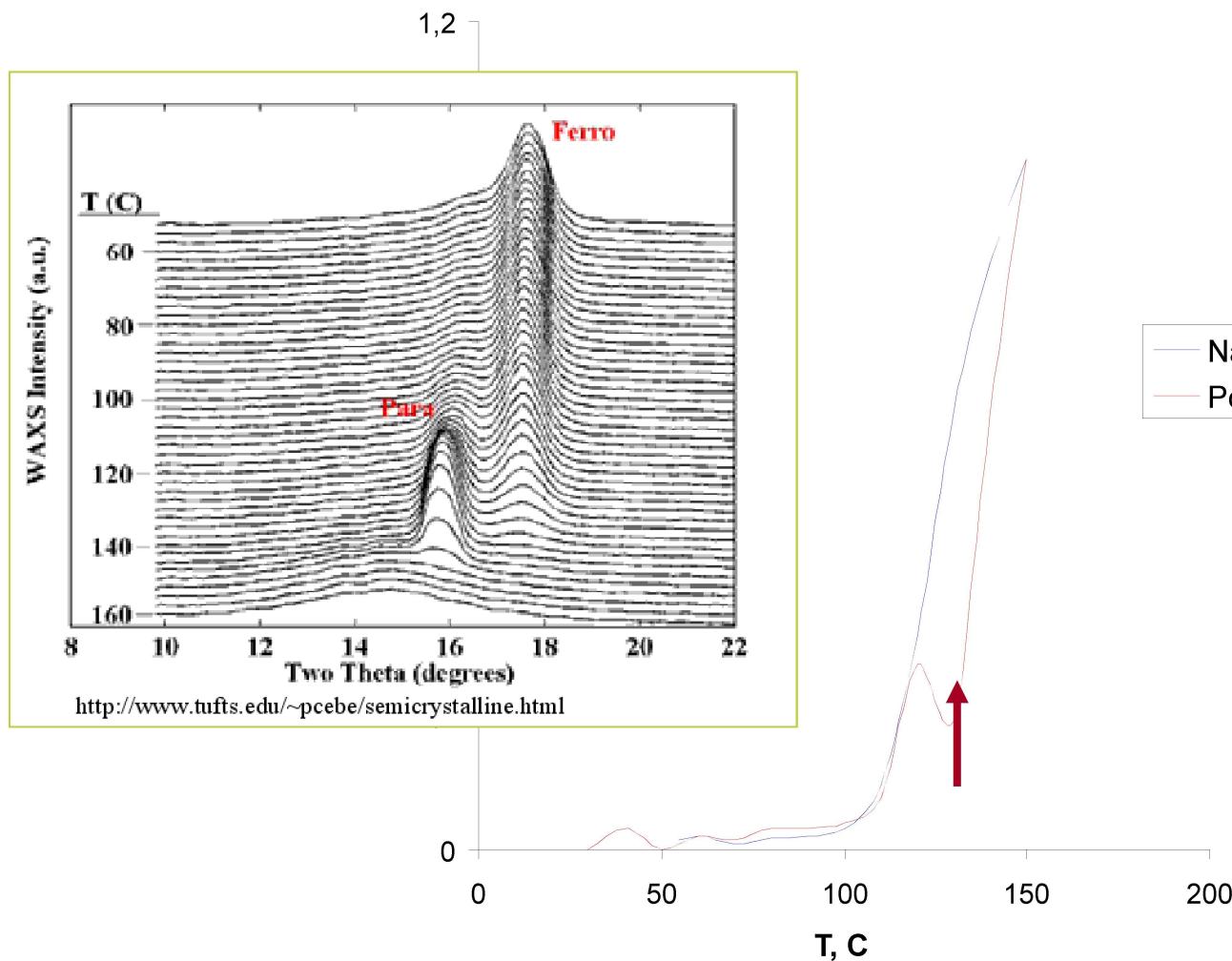
Exoemission: Imperfections



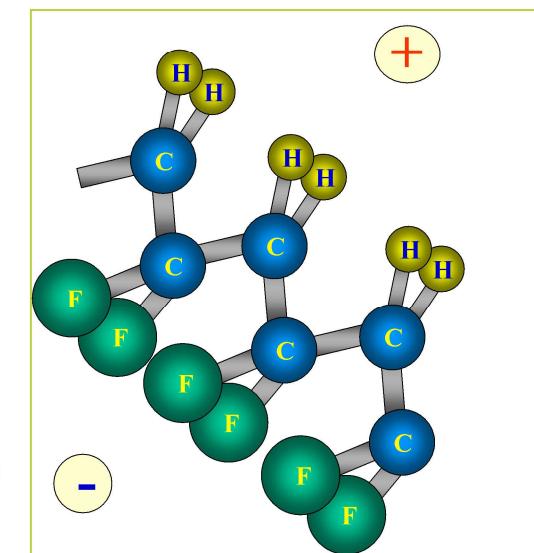
Exoemission: Thin films



Exoemission: phase transitions



PVDF



Application for Nb on Cu

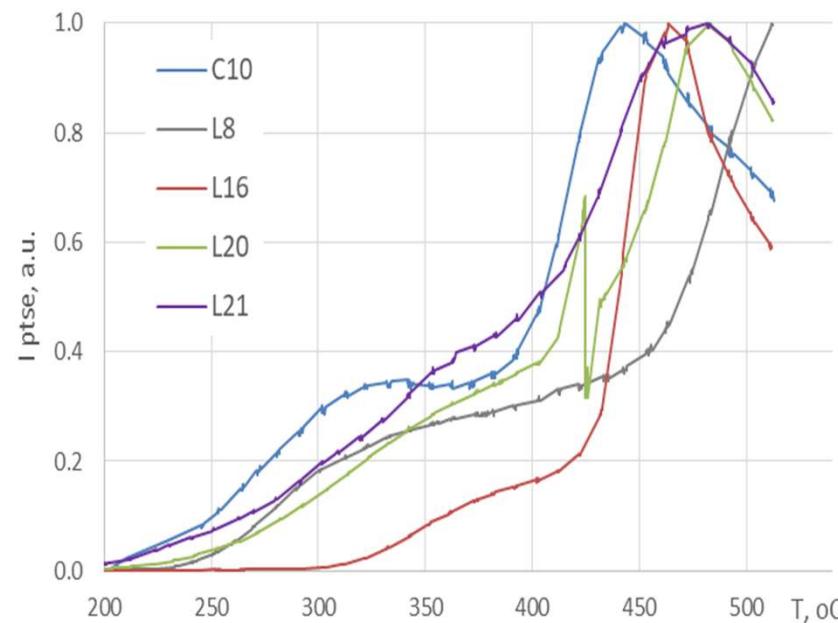
- Motivation: explore possibility to apply exoelectron emission technique for early prediction of the Nb coating quality

Effect of the substrate preparation

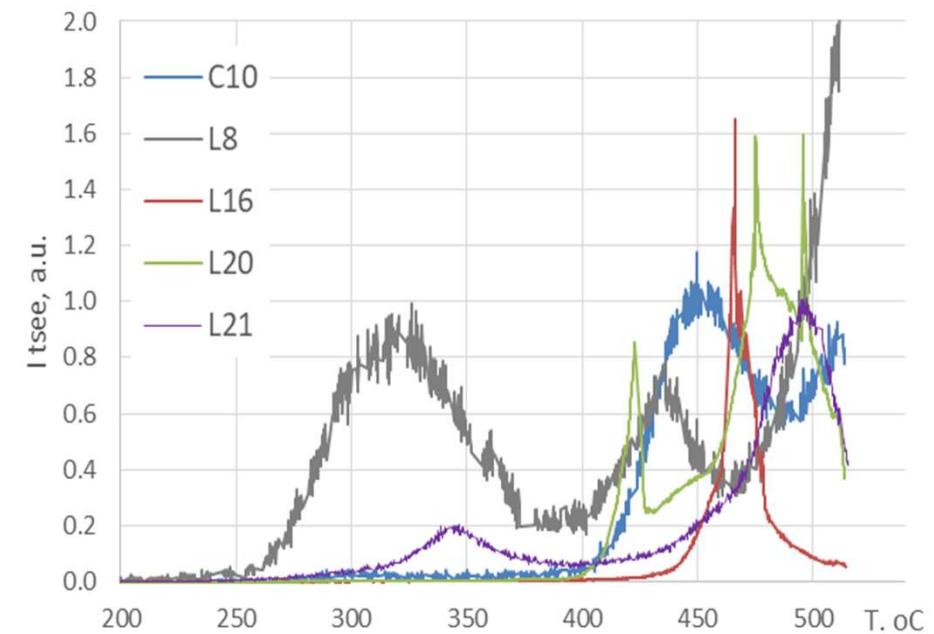
Surface preparation technology	Deposition		
	INFN	Universitat Siegen	ASTeC
SUBU CERN	C10	C1	Under processing
SUBU INFN	L20	L1	Under processing
EP INFN	L21	L10	Under processing
EP+SUBU INFN	L16	L23	Under processing
TUMBLING	L8	L9	Under processing

Typical spectra of Nb on Cu samples (INFN batch)

PTSE

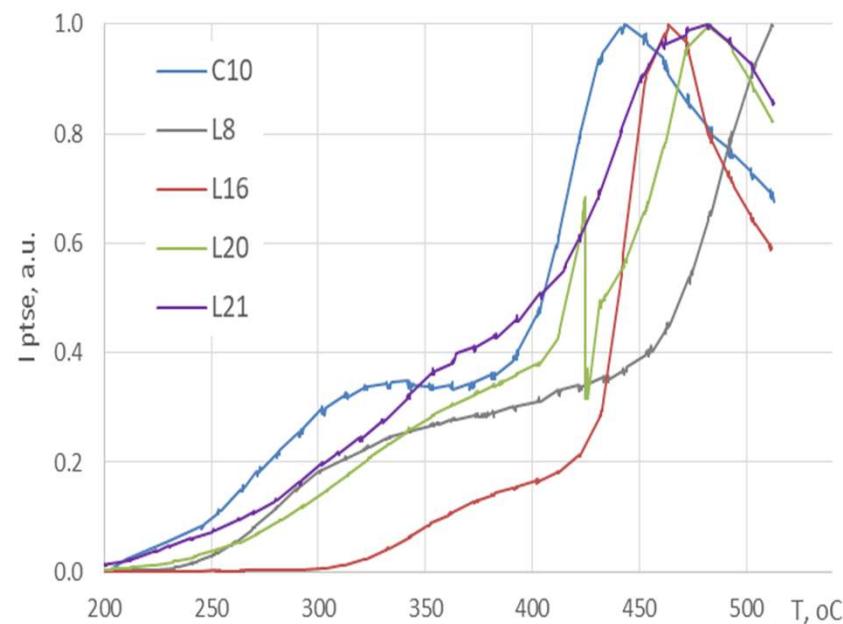


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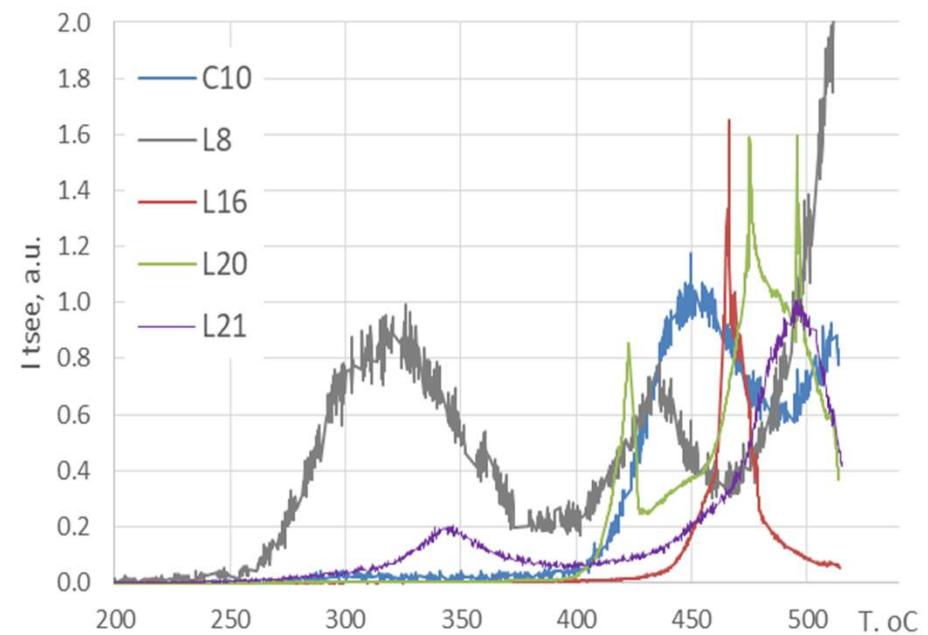


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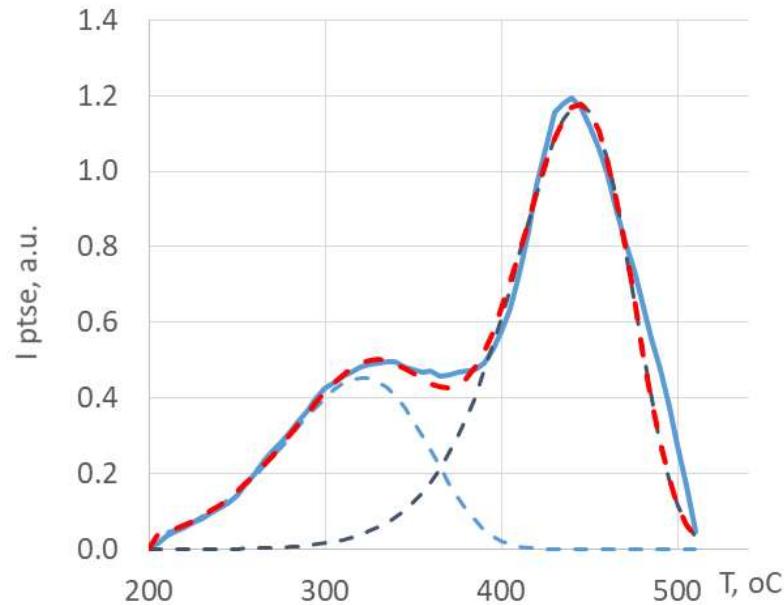
PTSE



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Peaks deconvolution

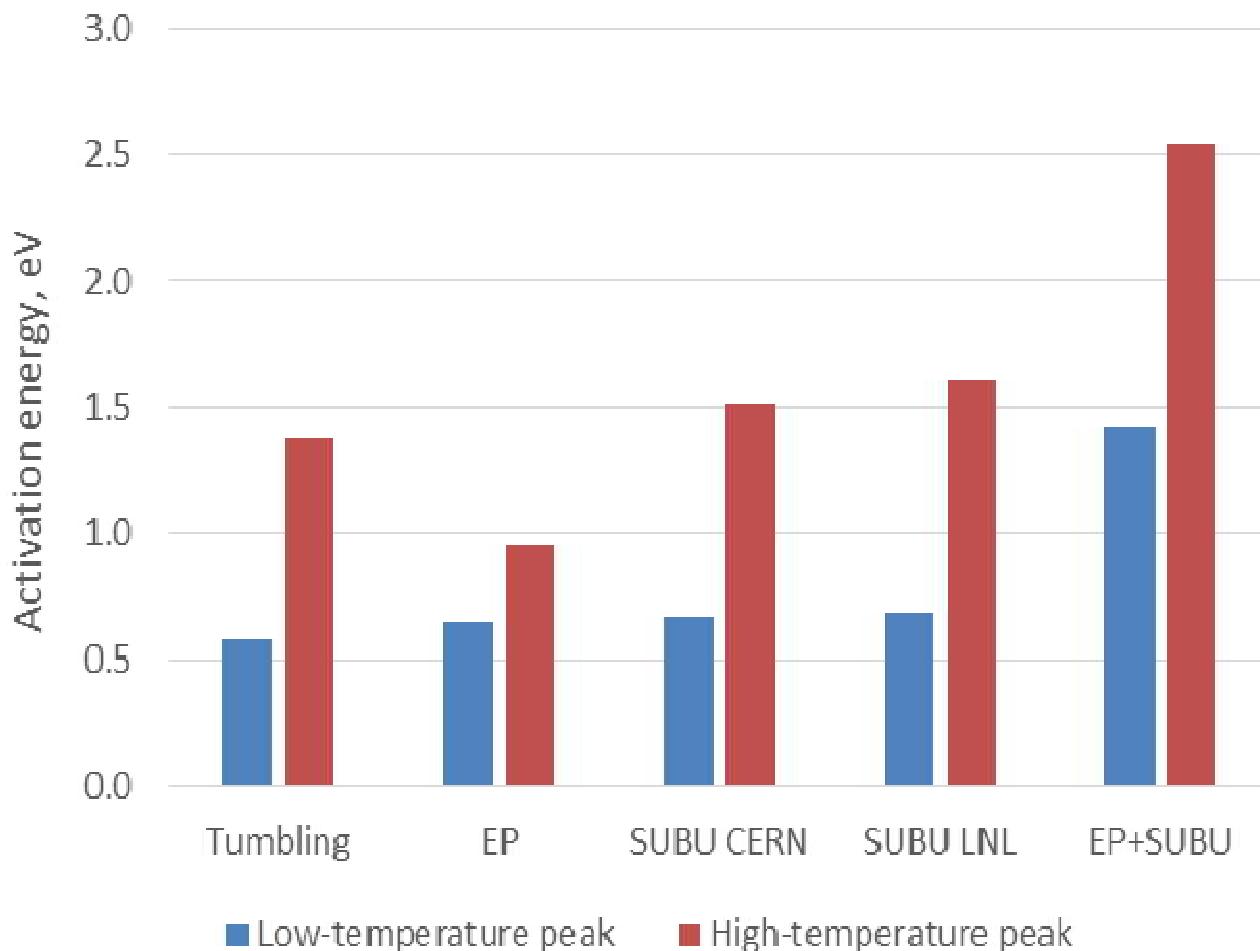


Randal-Wilkins expression

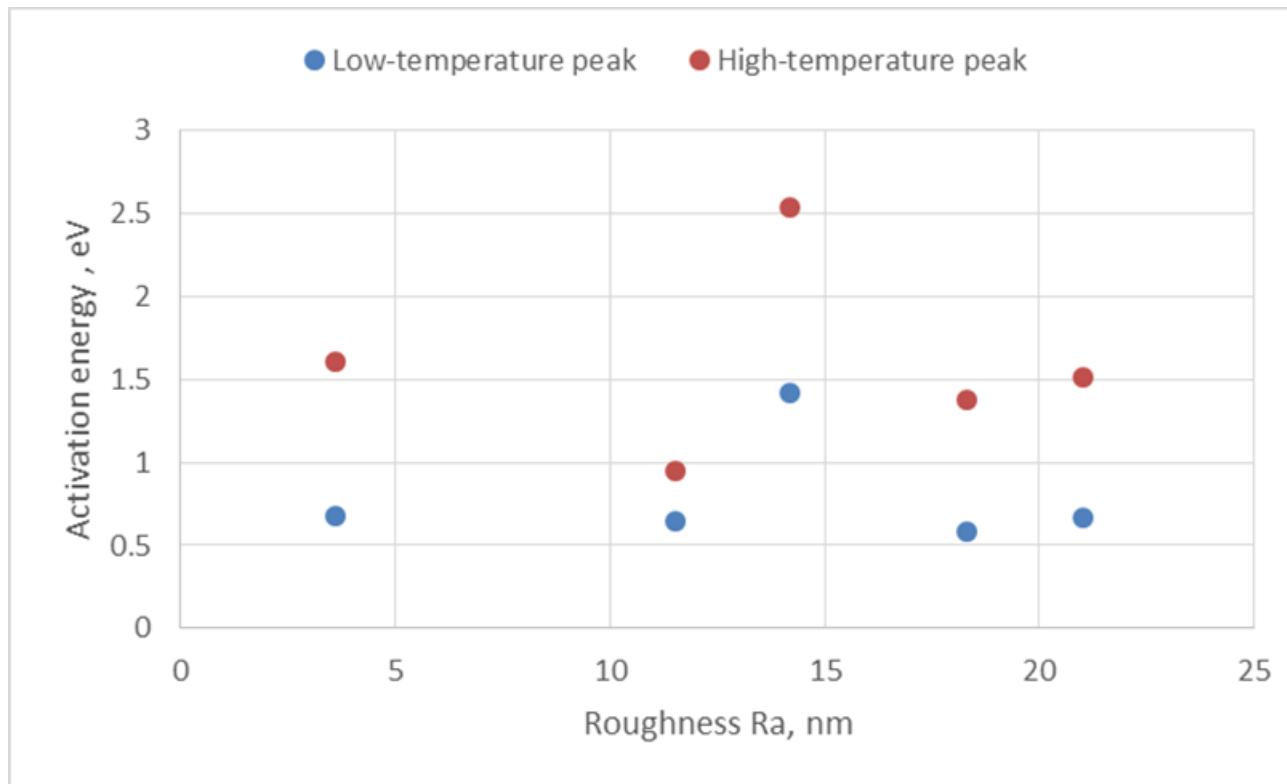
$$I \sim -\frac{dN}{dT} = A \cdot e^{-\frac{E}{kT}} \cdot N(T)$$

Spec.	PTSE				TSEE	
	Low-temperature peak		High-temperature peak		Low-T peak T _{max} , °C	High-T peak T _{max} , °C
	T _{max} , °C	E, eV	T _{max} , °C	E, eV		
C10	320	0.67	450	1.51	310	450
L8	362	0.58	> 500	1.38	320	425
L16	375	1.42	460	2.54	-	470
L20	370	0.68	490	1.61	425	490
L21	342	0.65	480	0.95	347	500

Activation energies for low temperature and high temperature annealing for different CU substrate preparation technologies

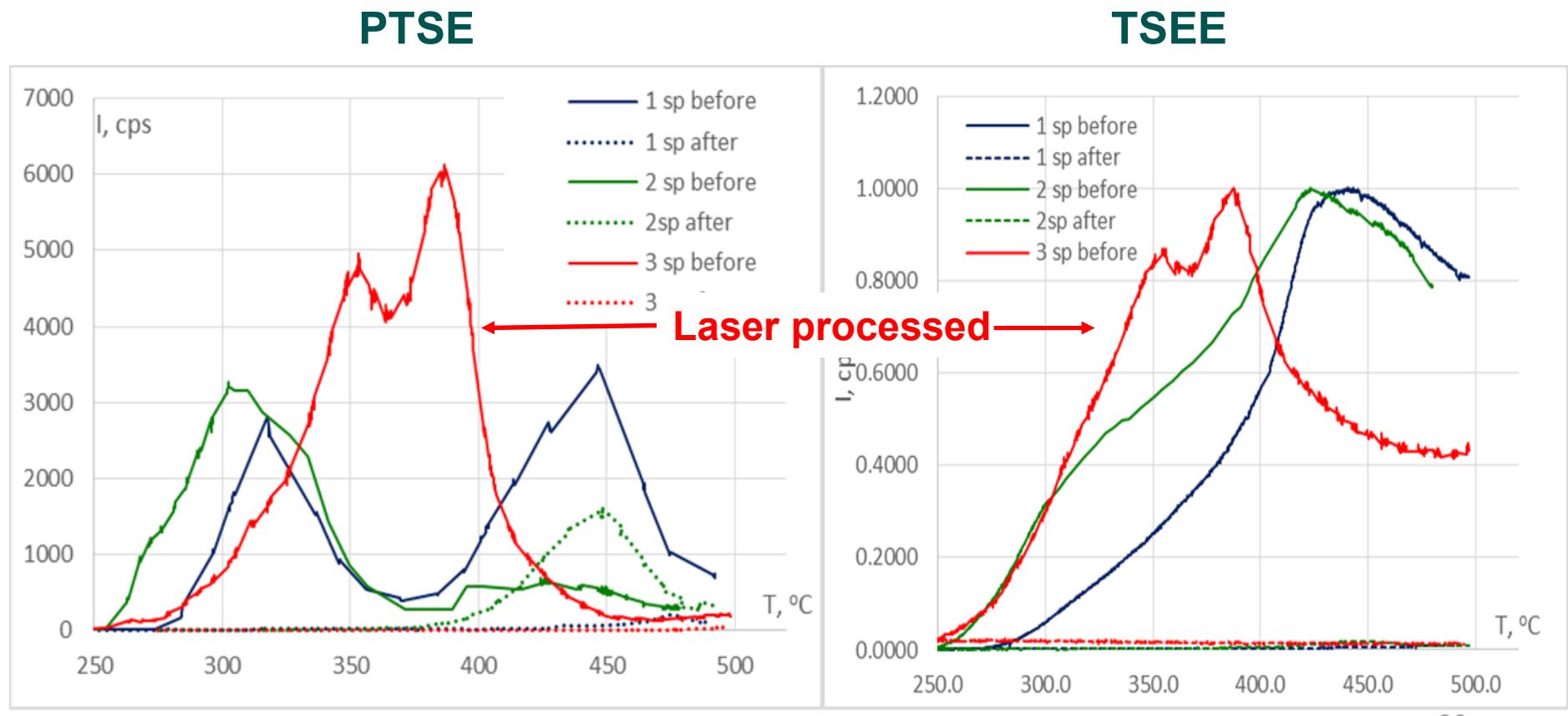


Correlation roughness-activation energy



Effect of the laser processing:

Laser processing by RTU Institute of Technical Physics, prof. A. Medvid
(Yesterday talk, 15.55)



Conclusion:

- Spectra of the exoelectron emission of the Nb deposited on Cu and corresponding activation energies indicates that structure / nature of imperfections in the Nb film is changed due to different pre- processing of the Cu substrate.
- TSE/PTSE activation energies does not correlate with surface roughness .
- The position of maxima of the TSE/PTSE spectra of laser – processed Nb suggests that the nature of defects, induced by laser treatment, differs from defects, existed in the film after deposition.
- **The interpretation** of the results required additional research to understand the nature of the introduced defects and physics of TSE/PTSE in Nb and to evaluate prognostic value of the method for the early/ *in situ* prediction of Nb film quality.

Paldies ! (Thank you!)



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