

# **SSTIN10 High-Lights and Beyond**

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# **Introductory Remarks on historical data**





# Stanford ca. 1970 Siemens ca. 1973 BCP EP BCP Qo ~ 1e11 @ 1.2 K CW 130 mT 109 mT Hpk ~ 108 mT Hpt - 108 mT Hpt - 108 mT

Reactor grade Ep'd Siemens fine grain cavity Hpk ~ 159 mT Qo ~ 1e10 @ 1.45 K



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# **Introductory Remarks on recent data**



#### Ingot niobium cavities of different RRR performed equally well - un optimized processes



#### Ingot niobium has higher figure of merit than fine grain

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Ingot niobium technology successfully implemented in FLASH cryomodule



All ingot niobium cavities met XFEL specifications with BCP irrespective of RRR





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# Ingot niobium-low residual resistance







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## Ingot niobium RRR does not influence first flux penetration





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#### Tantalum and RRR influence on bulk & surface critical fields

					Bulk					
	Sample		EP				EP + LTB (120 °C, 48 h)			
	_		H <sub>ffp</sub> (mT)		$H_{c2}(mT)$		H <sub>ffp</sub> (mT)		$H_{c2}(mT)$	
	Α		174		405		177		390	
	В		182		400		184		400	
	С		179		400		180		400	
	D		186		405		188		420	
	FG		183		380		183		400	
					Surfa	ce				
S	ample	EP			EP + LTB					
		H <sub>ffp</sub> (mT)	H <sub>c2</sub> (mT)	H <sub>c3</sub> (mT)	$\mathbf{H}^{c}_{c3}/\mathbf{H}_{c3}$	H <sub>ffp</sub> (mT)	H <sub>c2</sub> (mT)	H <sub>c3</sub> (mT)	$\mathrm{H^{c}_{c3}/H_{c3}}$	
	А	162	322	749	0.89	175	351	850	0.87	
	В	175	317	705	0.89	180	381	>1000	< 1.0	
	С	160	331	753	0.87	168	351	1000	0.9	
	D	160	330	740	0.9	166	347	750	0.93	
	FG	164	301	700	0.93	170	320	>1000	0.93	

A (1295,62), B(1310,164), C(600, 160), D(970, 118), FG(100, 280)

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Key X(y,z) = Sample (Ta, RRR)

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# **Tantalum-minimally effects first flux-line penetration**



## 1250 C anneals improve Hp as expected



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# Flux penetration – grain boundaries



Sensitive to the orientation of the external field to the grain boundary plane





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# Tantalum and RRR have minimal influence on thermal conductivity



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# Annealing recovers phonon peak



## Unclean furnaces are likely to contaminate the cavities



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## Niobium – hydrogen affinity



**FIGURE 1.** Induction refelection method for detecting conductivity and permeability changes in a sample of fine grain SRF niobium. Vacuum melted fine grain niobium, high purity niobium, EDM cut face and BCP treated. The sample was cooled to 77K and was allowed to warm to room temperature and was being monitored by a single coil weak field induction reflection. Normally over the very narrow temperature range of  $15^{\circ}C$  the phase would have increased possibly .2° or less not 13° which was measured. But in addition to that there are a number of transient responses indicating that regions of the material have had temporary surges in the value of the magnetic permeability. This behavior is not typical of a nominally pure metallic conductor but it is just one of the many anomalous responses found in SRF prepared niobium.

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## XRD comparison of EDM cut and polished and unprocessed ingot Nb



**FIGURE 3.** This is an X-ray diffraction comparison of EDM cut and polished SRF niobium ready for forming and BCP treatment on the left and a virgin piece of large grain material not EDM cut. Shown are pseudo-precessional images composited from multiple diffraction frames. Circled locations are predicted diffraction locations (including those from systematic absences) for the BCC niobium lattice. The patterns are remarkably different in the very large continuous mis-orientation of the diffraction planes in the EDM cut samples.

#### XRD is a useful tool for determining the hydrogen induced damage

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## High temperature annealing removes gross hydrogen



FIGURE 1. SIMS mass spectra showing difference in H between (a) non-heat treated and (b) heat treated sample.

# NbH is very much in existence after anneals



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# Hydrogen absorption with BCP and EP

Very high equilibrium hydrogen activities (fugacity) have been estimated when Nb metal is in contact with water or BCP solution

Hydrogen is readily absorbed into Nb when the protective oxide layer is removed

Lower H fugacities are obtained due to an anodic polarization of Nb during EP and hence lower hydrogen absorption

Fine grain Nb has high energy grain boundary morphologies and orientations that make hydrogen induced heterogenous nucleation of second phases or micro-voids with BCP

Ingot niobium will have very few to none of the micro-voids

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# More High Lights of SSTIN10

- The solidification process of ingots of various vendors is not controlled & random orientations of grains and or grain boundary misorientations result & use of Laue camera for orientation measurements is an alternative to orientation image microscopy <u>MSU</u>
- Hydrogen plays a role in low beta structures and there is a strong need for more outgassing studies in this community <u>TRIUMF, FNAL</u>
- \* **BARC, India** is developing low beta1056 MHZ elliptical cavities from low RRR and High Ta content ingots for ADS applications
- \* <u>SNS</u> is developing a demountable TM020 cavity from low RRR and high Ta content ingots for plasma cleaning procedure
- Heraeus independently and Toky Denkai in collaboration with KEK have implemented multi slice machines
- \* <u>KEK</u> is leading a major effort in collaboration with IHEP and PKU on SSTIN activities
- CBMM and JLab are collaborating with international partners on SSTIN R&D Programs
- Casting Analysis and JLab are developing unique tools for addressing Proton in SRF niobium & the effects on superconducting and mechanical properties

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# Conclusions

- DESY, RI and Heraeus have successfully implemented ingot niobium technology in FLASH cryomodules
- Low RRR and high Ta content ingots are viable for SRF CW technology applications
- Proton in SRF niobium studies are expected to create an understanding and improvement of the Qo and performance of accelerator structrues





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# Beyond

- A combined annual Accelerator Driven Systems (ADS) and SSTIN meetings will be hosted
- The first of such meeting is tentatively scheduled at BARC, Mumbai, India November 30-December 2, 2011
- We look forward to welcoming you to this International Workshop on ADS and Thorium Utilization
- We are striving to industrialize the high efficiency and relatively low cost ingot Nb CW SRF Systems for ADS applications
- Join us and help usher in the green nuclear energy for the benefit of the mankind

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