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# IS IT POSSIBLE TO USE ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING FOR ACCELERATOR UHV BEAM PIPES?

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# MOTIVATION

- In particle accelerators under construction or planned, some systems are actually used to the limit of their possibilities
- The performance of components involved in accelerator technology is closely related to the characteristics and capabilities of the materials (morphology/finishing of surfaces, chemical purity, crystallographic quality, presence of defects)
- To face the challenges for the construction of the next-generation particle accelerators, technologies must evolve: new materials, new approaches of manufacturing must be considered
- Additive manufacturing (3D metallic printing)

## Main advantages

- Rapid production of mechanical components with complex shapes
- Rapid prototyping
- Reduced Tooling Costs



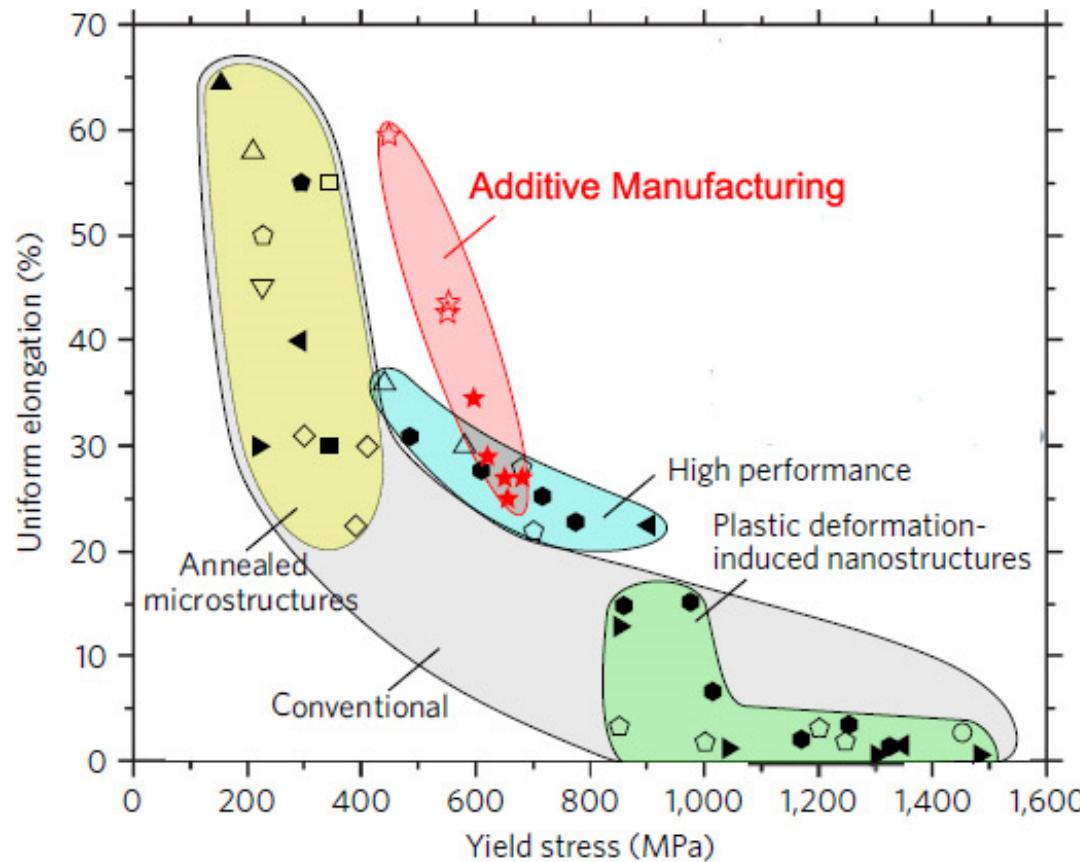
<http://www.sokaris-ingenierie.com/fabrication-additive/#>



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Changing the manufacturing process means changing the material properties!

Ex.: Mechanical properties of 316L stainless steel



Large domain of mechanical properties

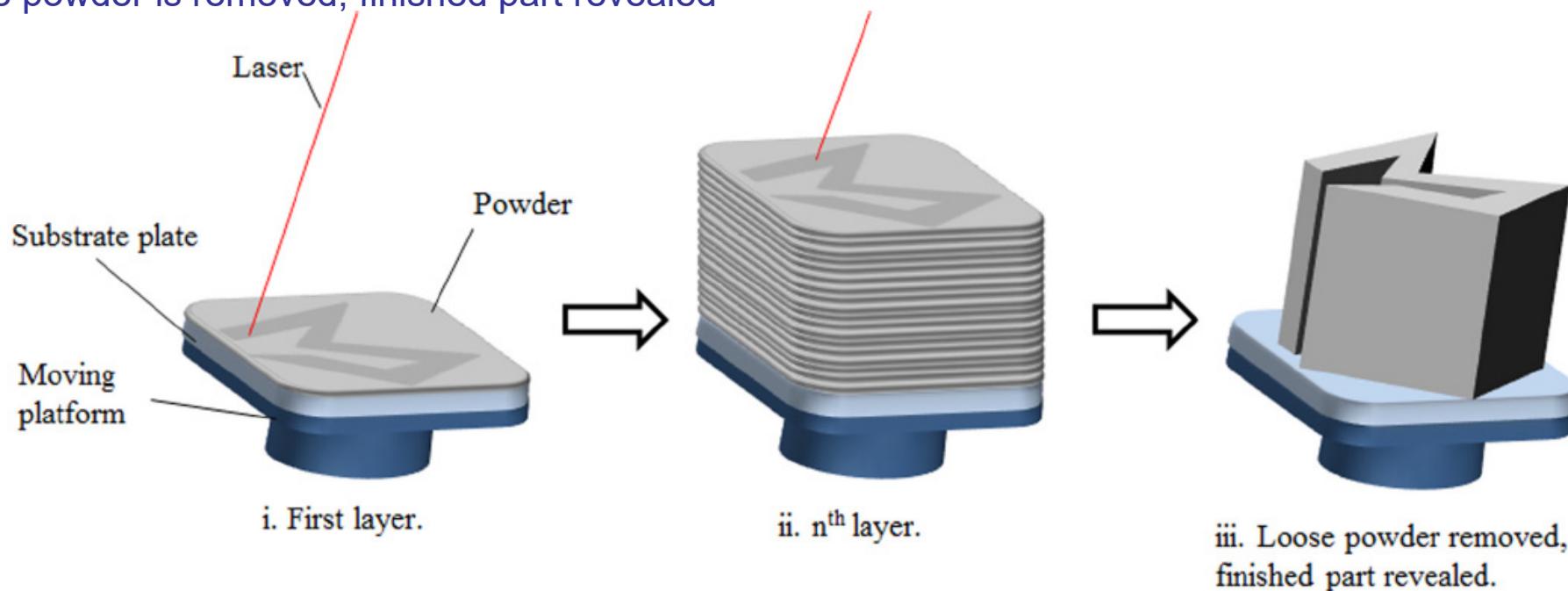
→ depend on microstructure

# Additive manufacturing (3D printing) Selective Laser Melting (SLM) process

Selective Laser Melting (SLM) is the most advanced AM technology

## Principle:

- 3D printing based on a CAD model
- High-power laser melts selective areas of the powder bed (fine metal powder onto a substrate plate)
- Process repeats for successive layers ( $20\text{-}40\mu\text{m}$ ) → layer by layer building
- Loose powder is removed, finished part revealed

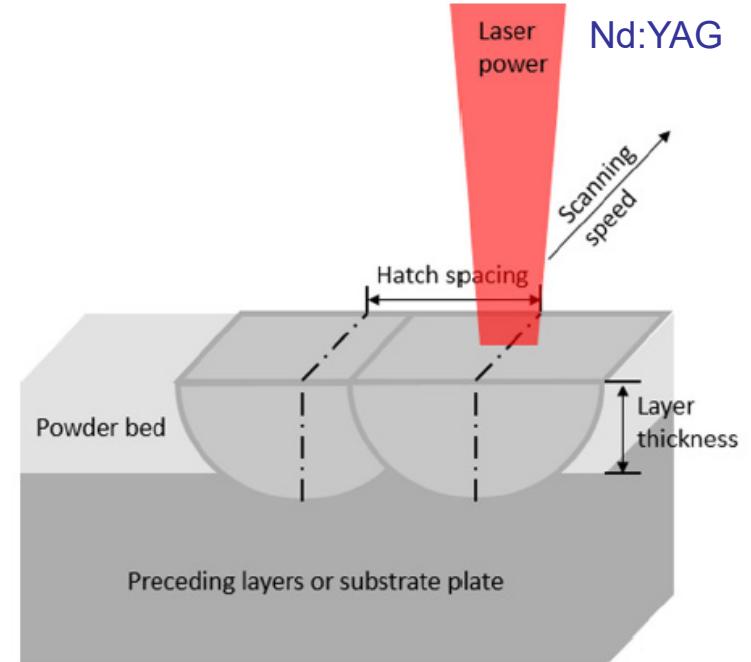


Figures from Yap et al Applied physics Review (2015)

Material: copper, aluminum, stainless steel, cobalt-chromium, titanium and tungsten (+recently niobium)

# Additive manufacturing (3D printing) WARNING

- Influence of many processing parameters (laser power, scanning speed, powder granulometry) ?
  - Complex thermal history during the manufacturing (rapid solidification then heating and cooling with each additional layers)
  - Even if you used the same AM process (e.g. SLM) : is the reproducibility of properties guaranteed?
  - Production of heterogeneous and anisotropic microstructures that differ from traditional alloy counterparts
- Materials produced by AM must be carefully characterized



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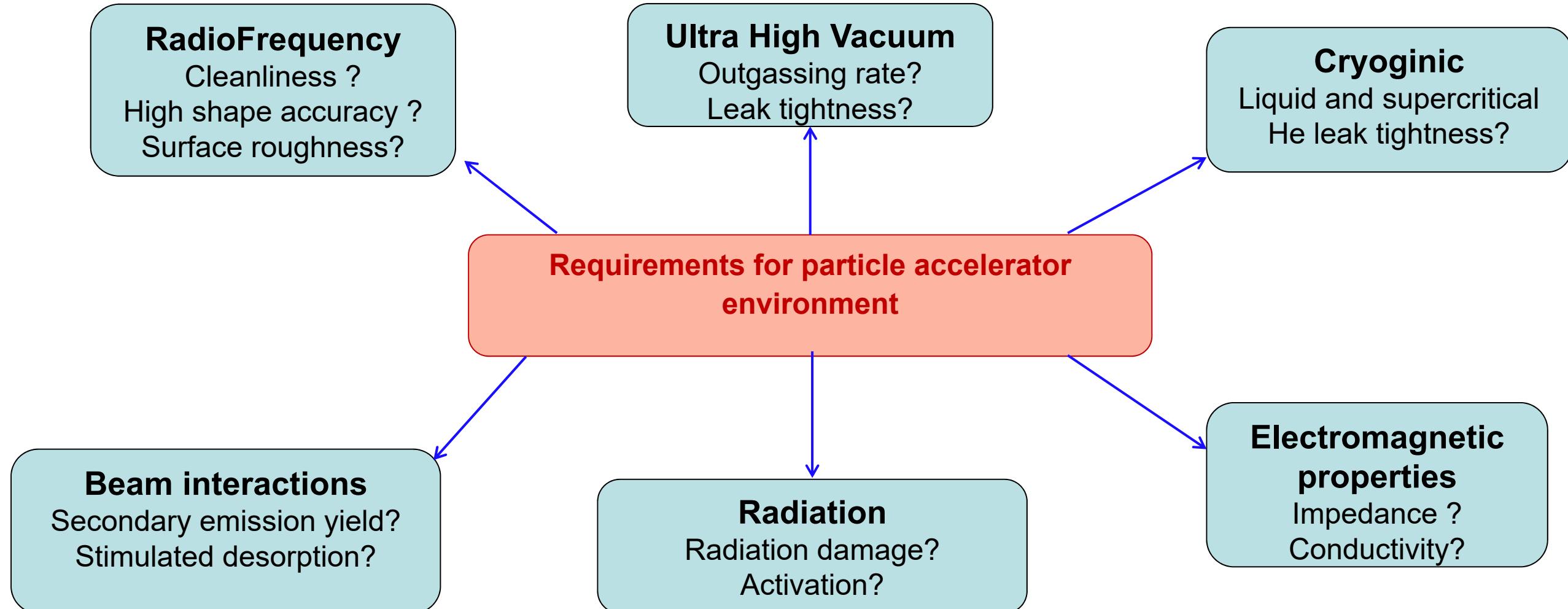
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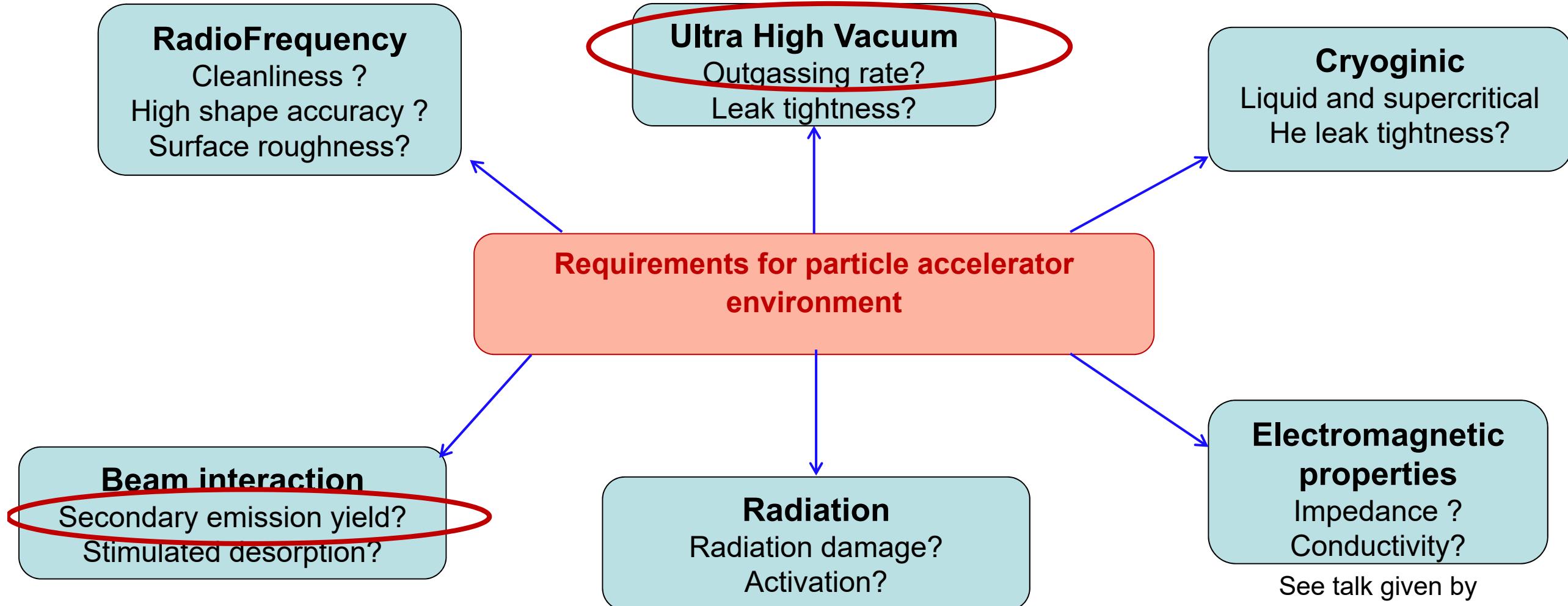
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→ Tests performed on pieces of simple form

# Specific constraints for applications in a particle accelerator



# Specific constraints for particle accelerators



See talk given by  
N. Delerue Friday morning  
*Tests of a 3d Printed BPM With  
a Stretched Wire and With a Particle Beam*

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# Samples for the microstructural study

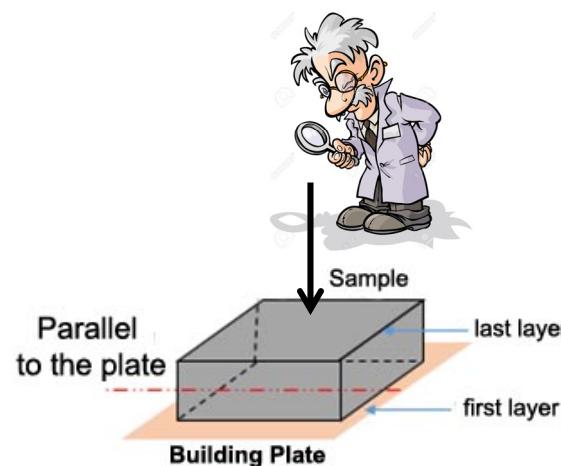
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No SLM machine in the lab : manufacturing was sub-contracted to different companies

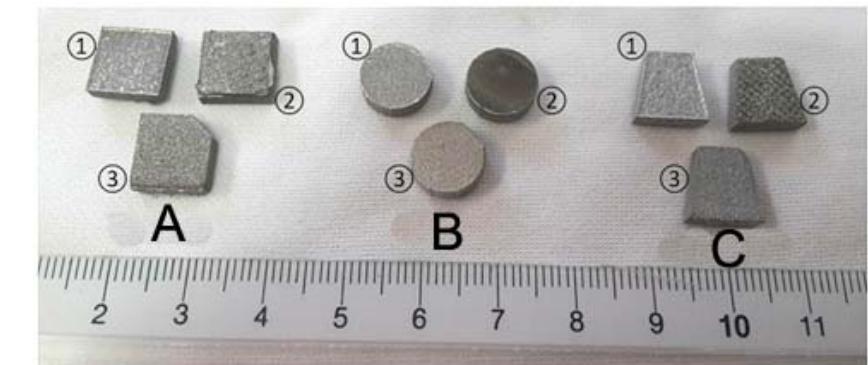
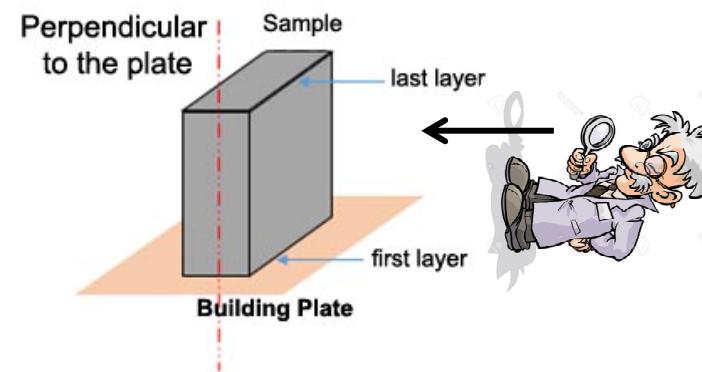
Manufacturers	Method	Powder granulometry ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Layer thickness ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
A	SLM	20 - 125	40
B	SLM	20 - 50	40
C	SLM	?	40

Two orientations:

- Parallel



- Perpendicular

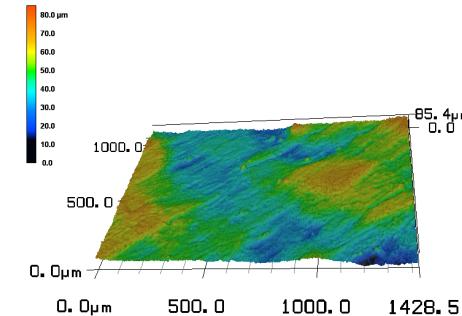


# Surface quality

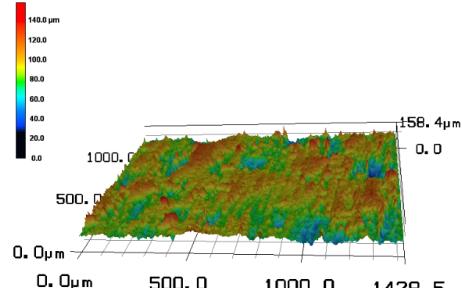
## Confocal microscopy

**Parallel**

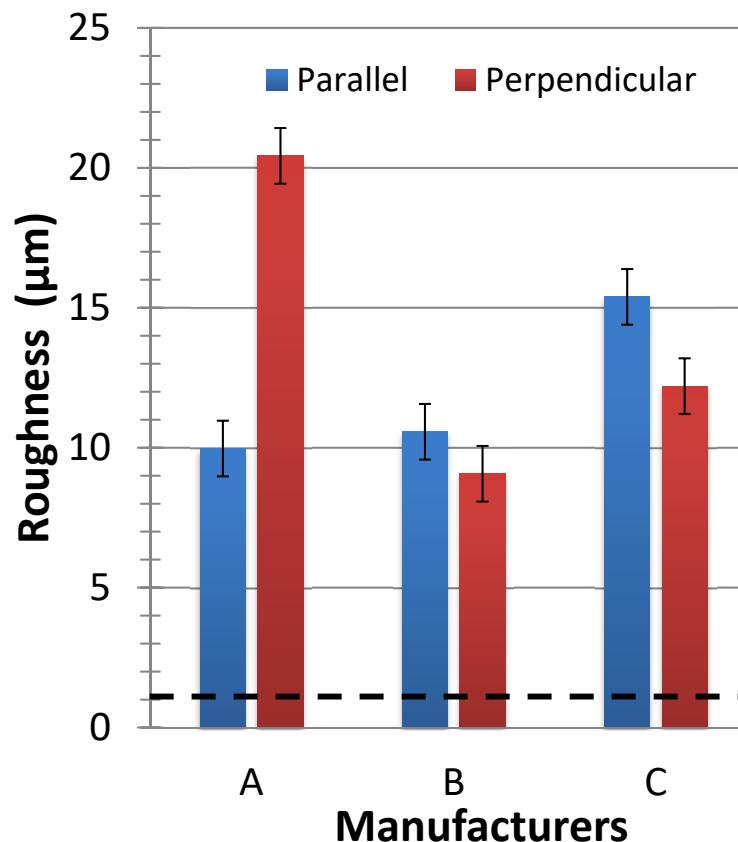
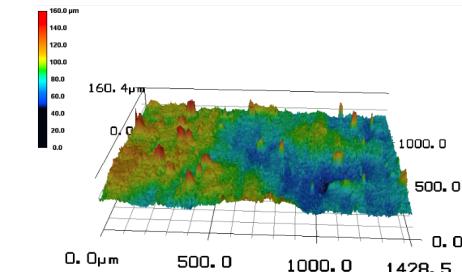
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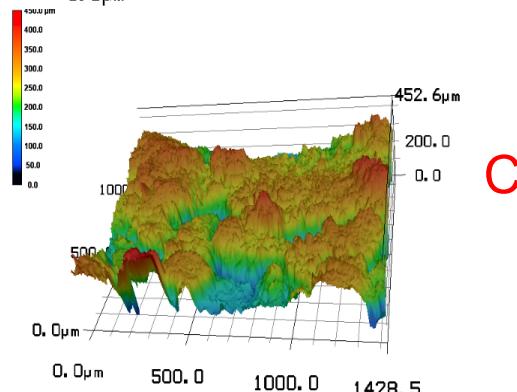
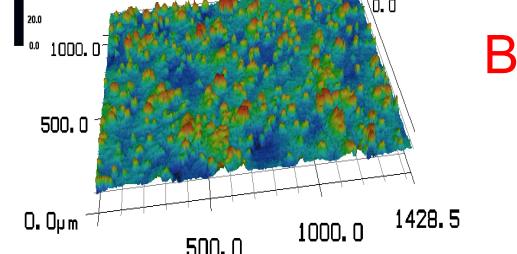
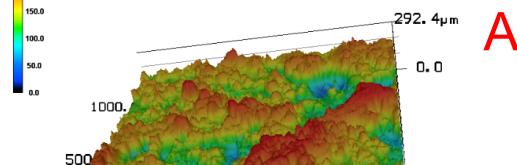
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C



**Perpendicular**

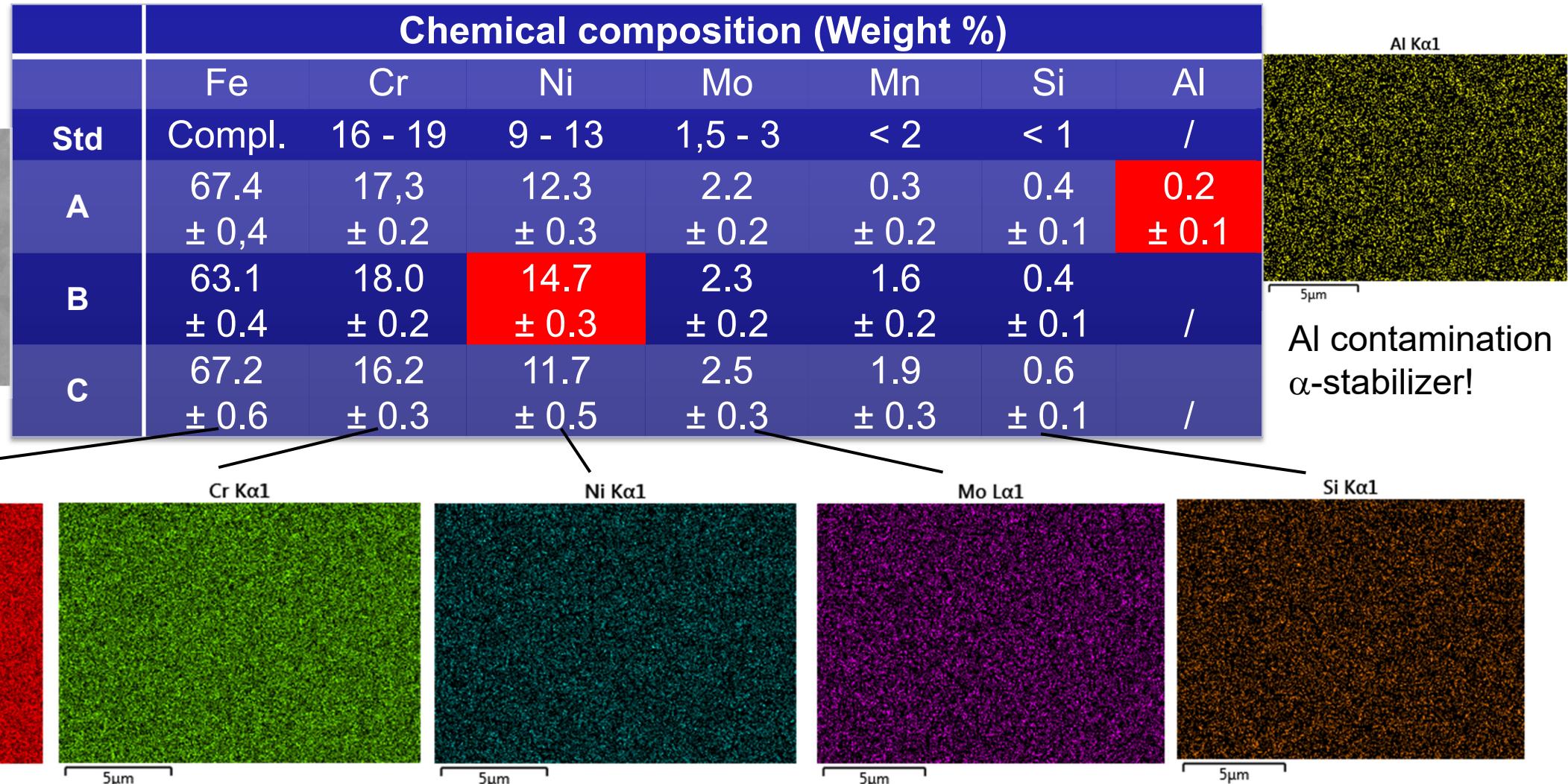
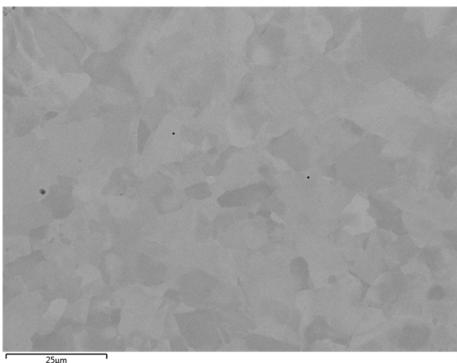


Surface roughness is much larger for AM samples than for conventional counterparts

→ It could be a severe drawback for accelerator applications?

# Composition

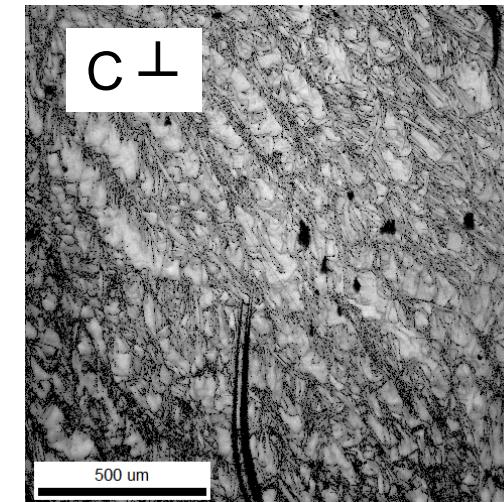
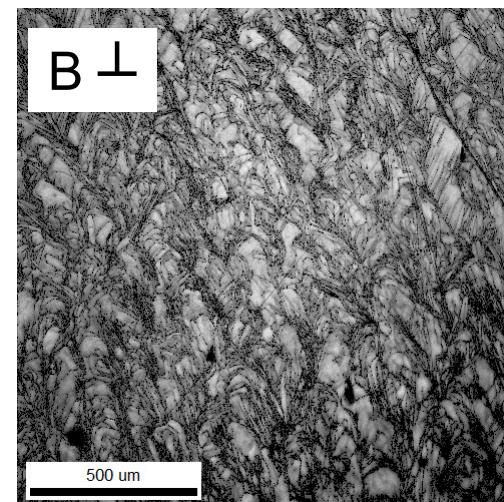
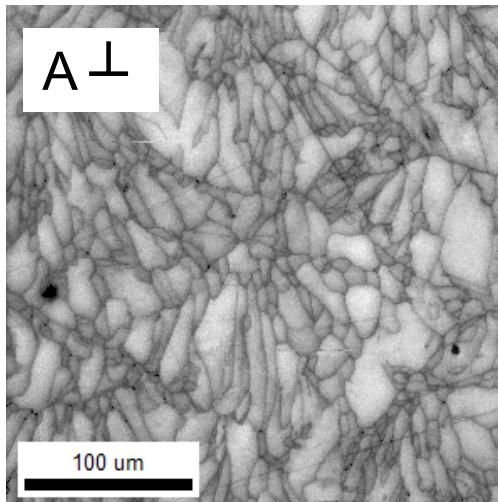
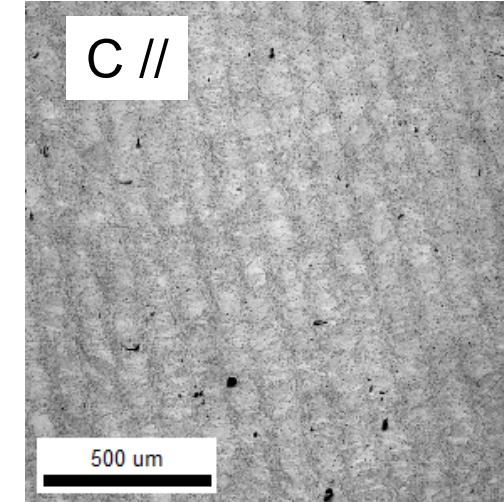
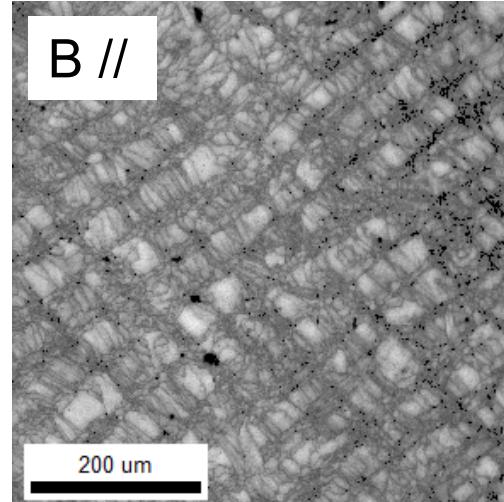
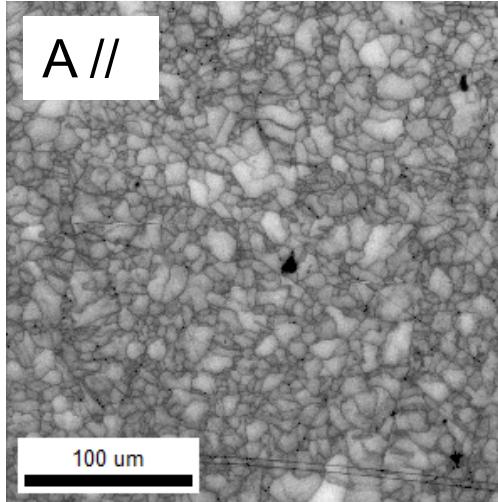
# Elemental analysis : composition (SEM/EDX)



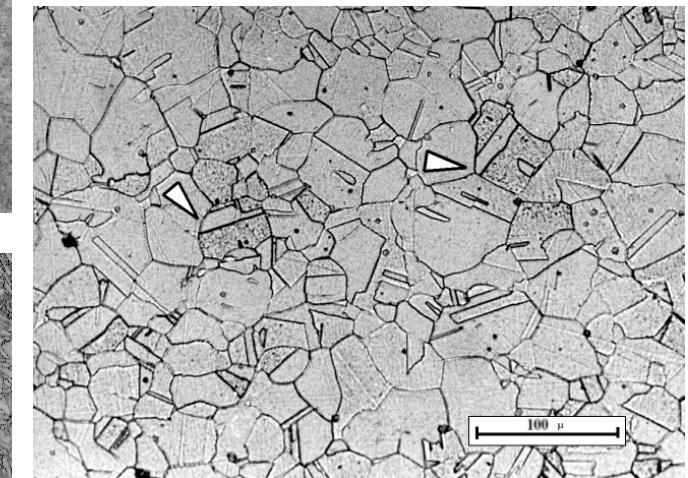
Homogeneous composition

# Microstructure

# Grain morphology and grain size (SEM)

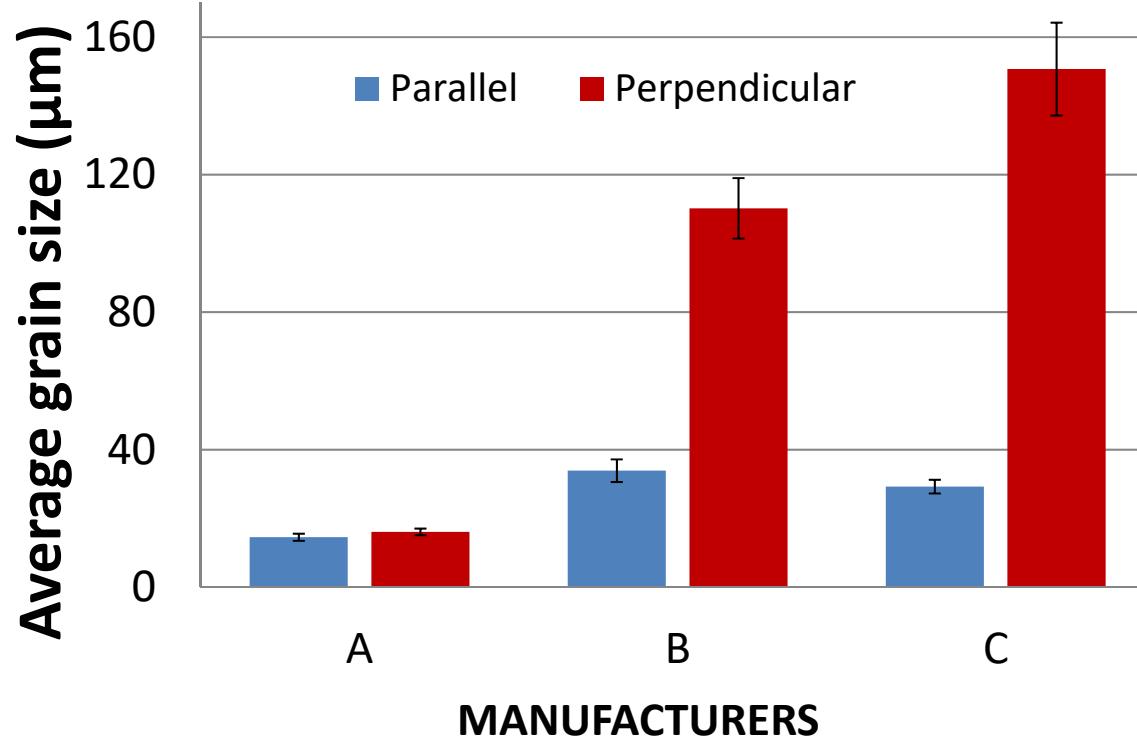


Conventional 316L



Grains exhibit a ripple pattern instead of a traditional faceted morphology  
→ a highly nonconventional grain shape

# Microstructure : grain size (SEM)



Grain size depends on manufacturers  
size in the perpendicular direction > size in the parallel direction

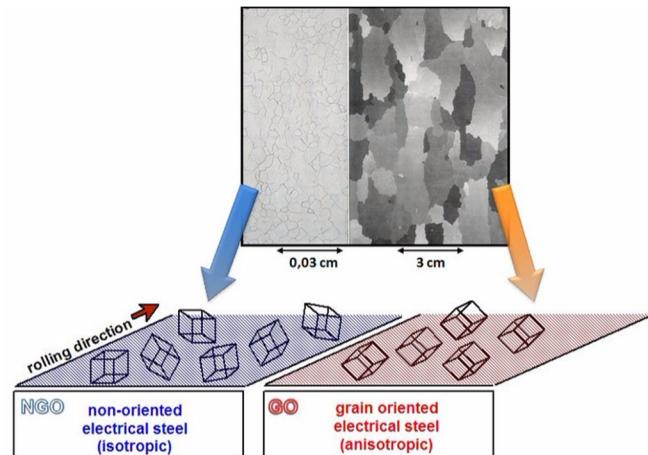
- elongated columnar grains oriented along the build direction (perpendicular to the building plate)
- large directional thermal gradients during the layer by layer deposition process

# Crystalline texture : SEM-EBSD analysis

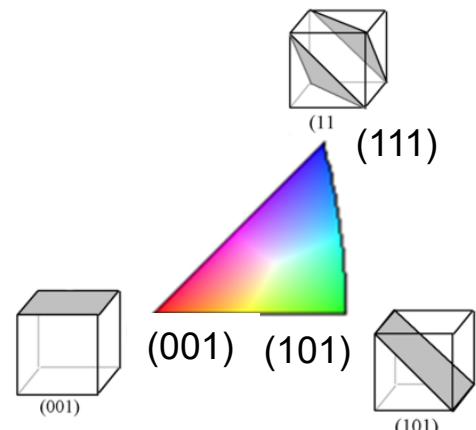
Crystalline texture

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Preferred orientation

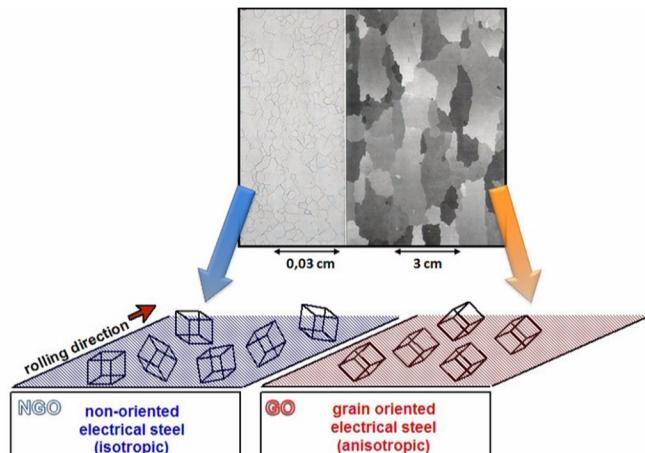


- If grain orientations are fully random = no distinct texture (no color is predominant)
- If a preferred orientation exists = texture (a color dominates)

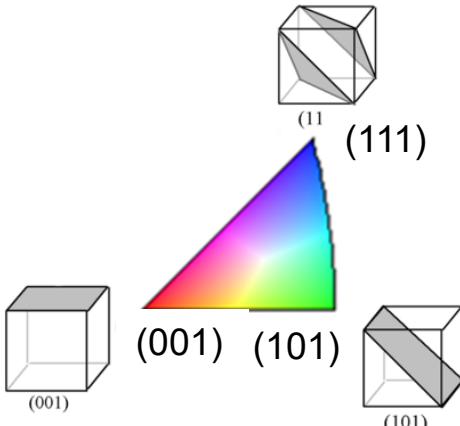
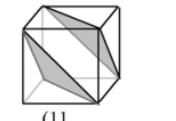
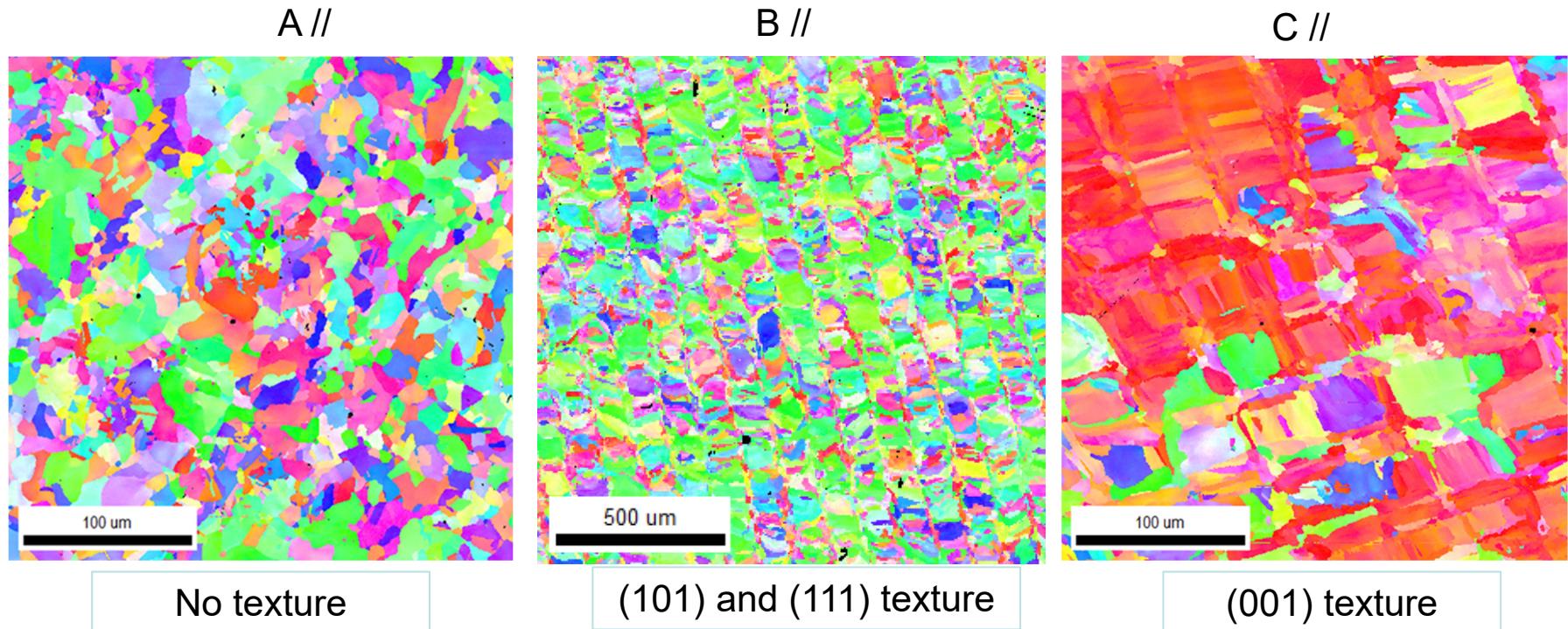


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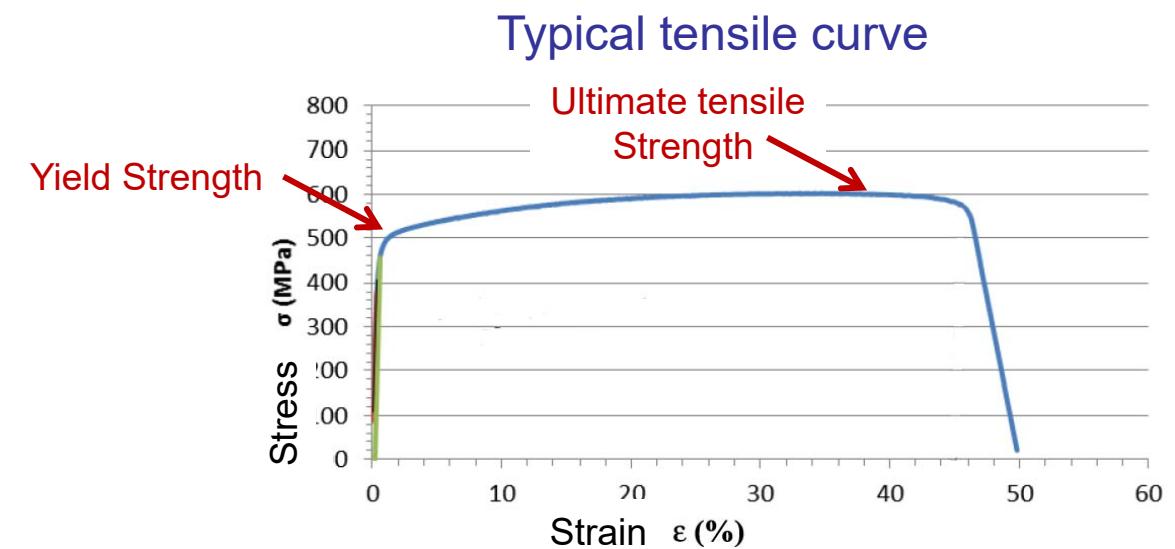
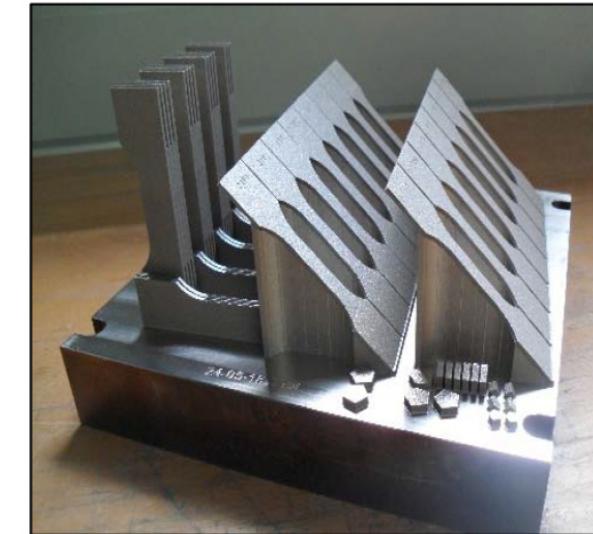
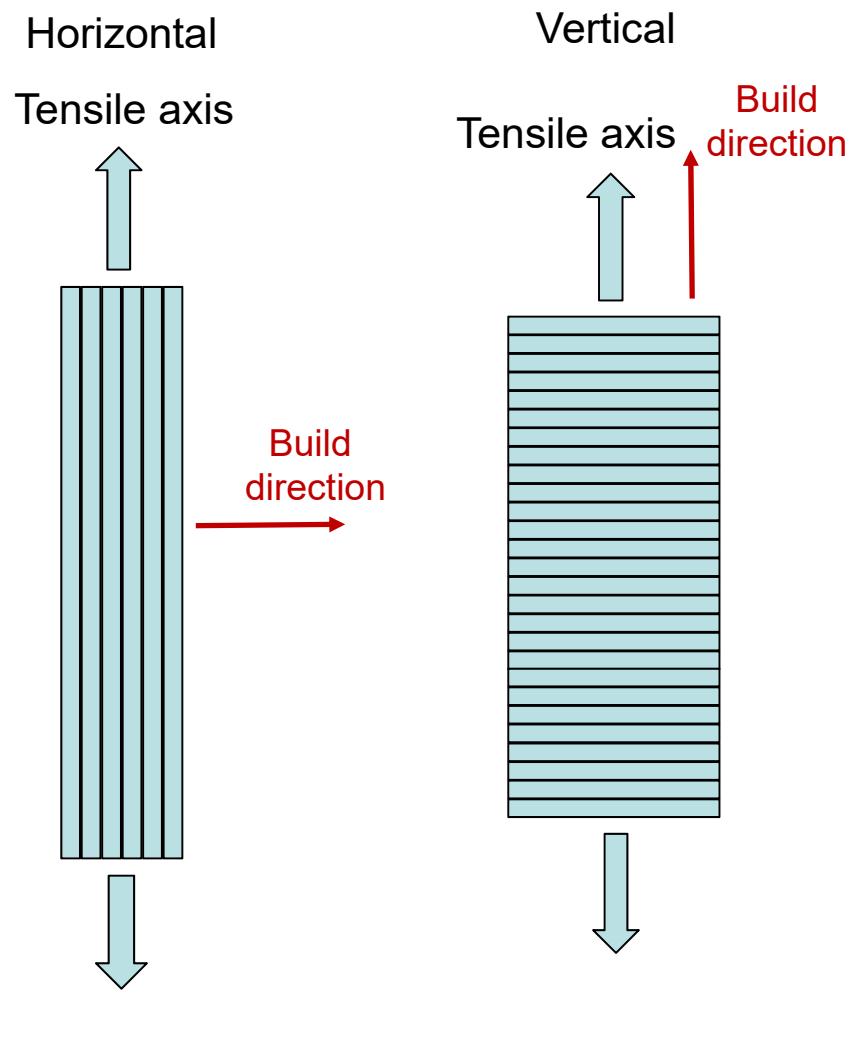
Microstructure of AM samples depends on manufacturers

microstructural anisotropy → anisotropic properties

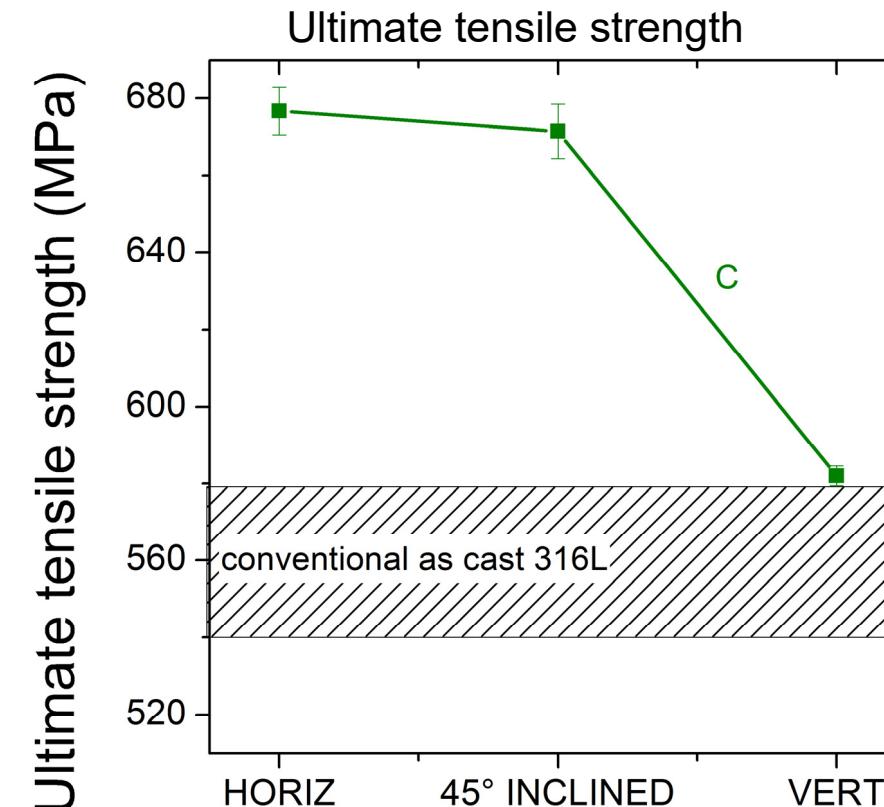
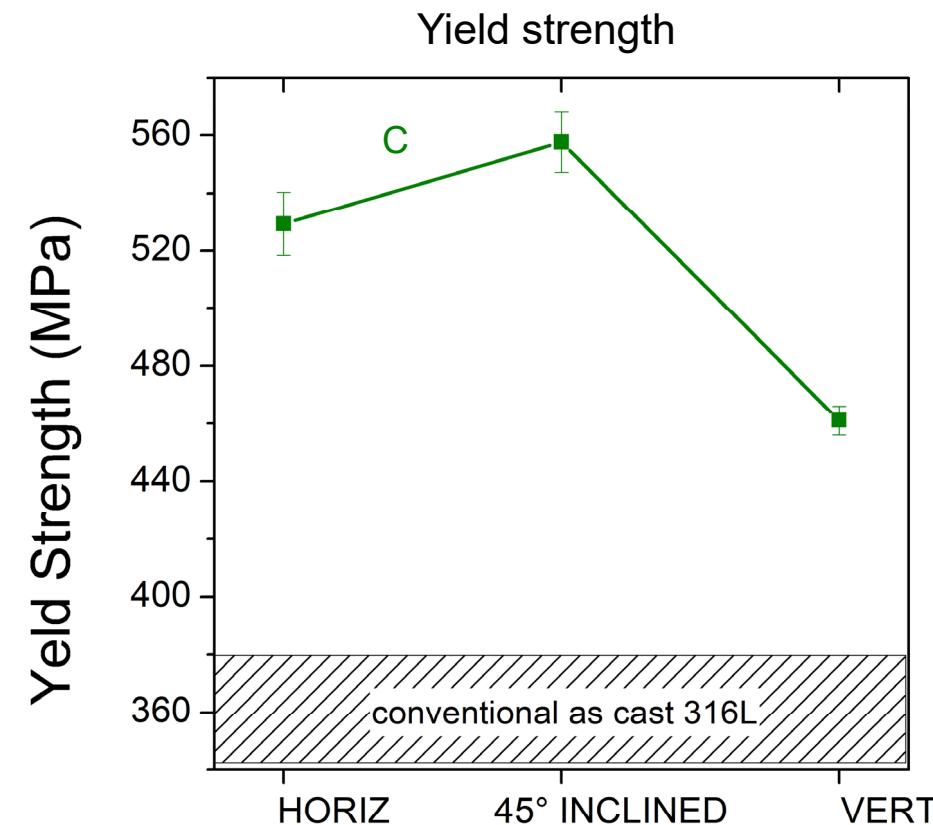
# Mechanical properties

# Tensile test

Tensile specimens printed in 3 directions: horizontally, vertically and inclined at 45°

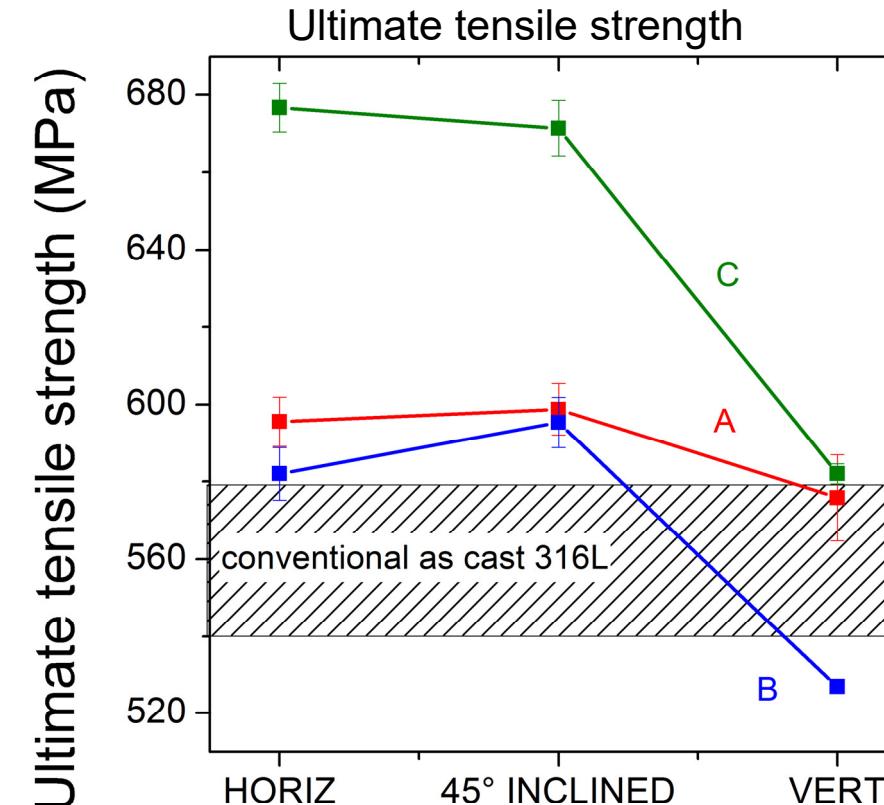
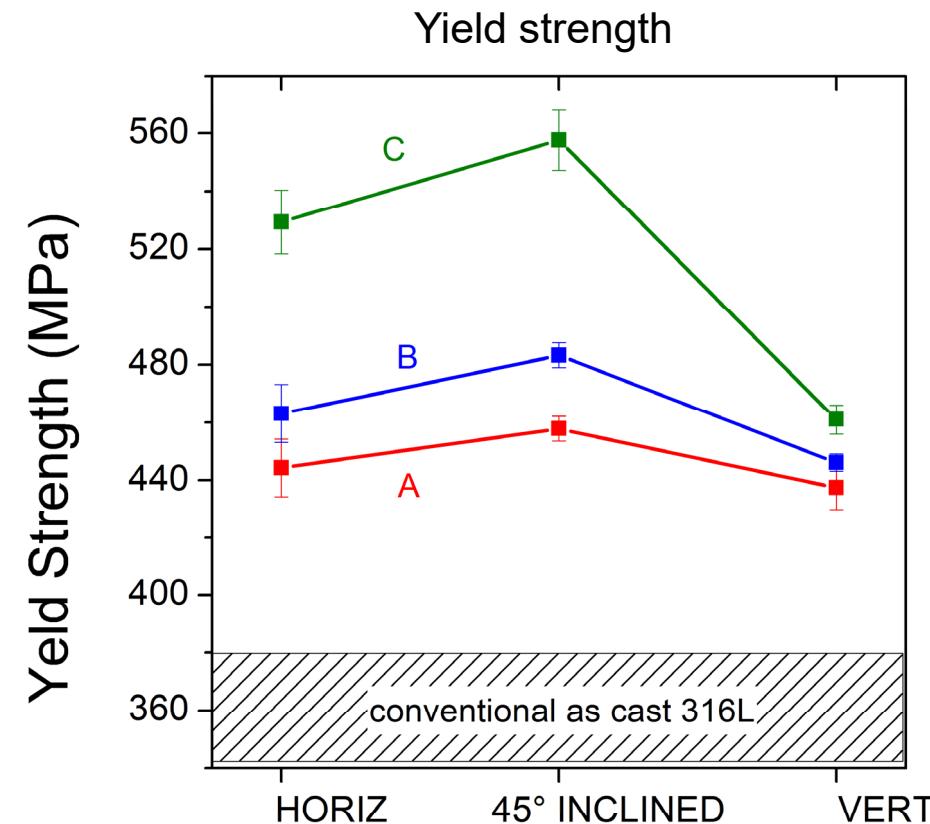


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  - The inclined specimens exhibit the highest yield strength
- Samples C exhibit the highest mechanical properties
- AM samples have better mechanical properties than conventional counterparts

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# UHV compatibility : Outgassing

DN40CF tubes  
in 316L stainless steel by AM



copper joints  
all-metal UHV valves

The surface quality of 3D printed tubes is very different of that obtained from conventional techniques.

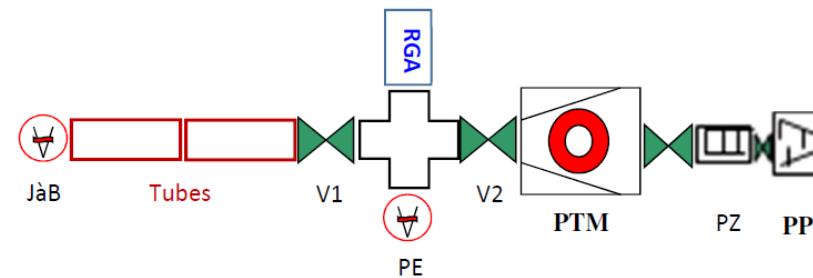
The surface roughness of the raw tubes :  $R_a = 8.5 \mu\text{m}$  to  $10 \mu\text{m}$ .

A previous work showed that the flanges must be lathed to avoid leaks!

2 cases were studied :

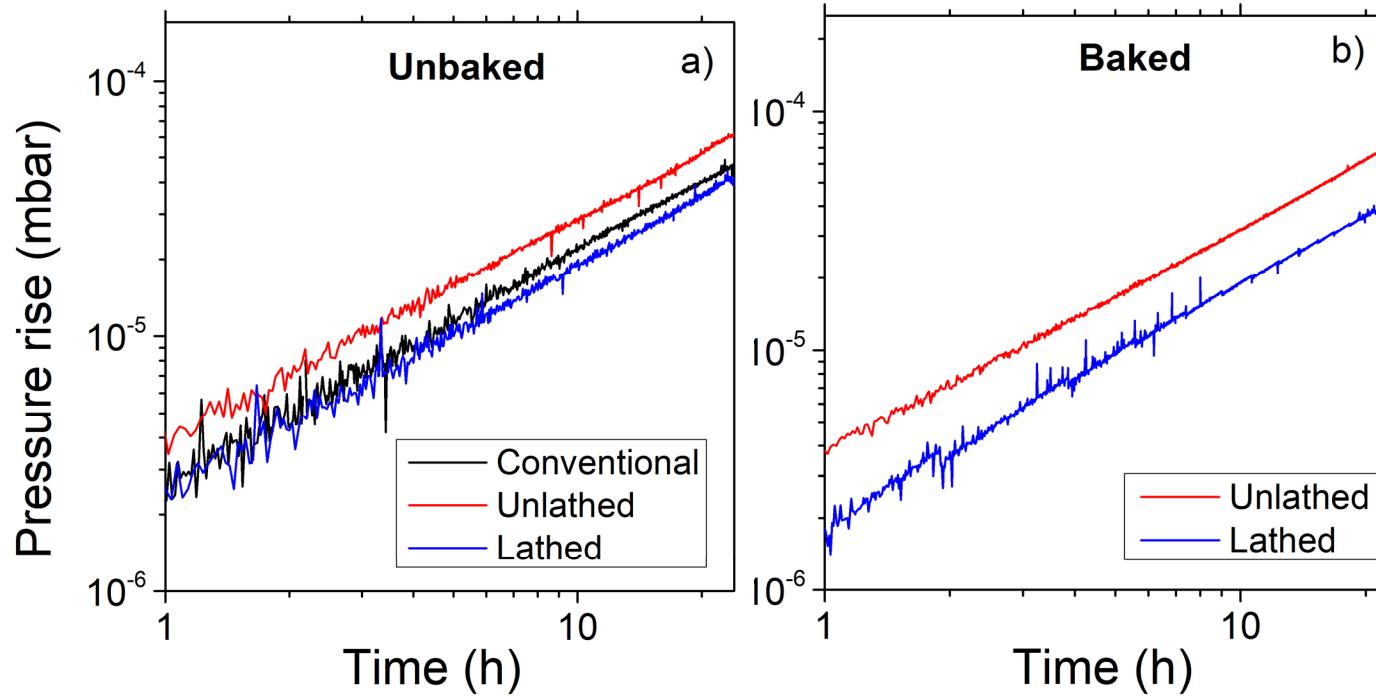
- only the flanges are lathed (to avoid leaks)
- both the flanges and the tube inside are lathed

Outgassing measured by the gas accumulation method



- Tubes are pumped down
- Valve 1 is closed
- Pressure rise is measured by a spinning rotor gauge

# UHV compatibility : Outgassing



Outgassing rates for 100h of pumping after baking under vacuum at 200 ° C during 72h.

Treatment	Tube	Outgassing rate (mbar.l/s.cm <sup>2</sup> )
Unbaked	Conventional	$6.0 \times 10^{-12}$
	Unlathed AM	$5.6 \times 10^{-12}$
	Lathed AM	$7 \times 10^{-12}$
Baked at 200 °C	Unlathed AM	$3.6 \times 10^{-13}$
	Lathed AM	$3.4 \times 10^{-13}$

- Values for AM tubes and the conventional one are equivalent, in agreement with literature data
- Surface roughness has no impact on these results (unlathed vs lathed)
- Outgassing rate is one order of magnitude lower for baked tubes than for unbaked ones.

**UHV compatibility : OK!**

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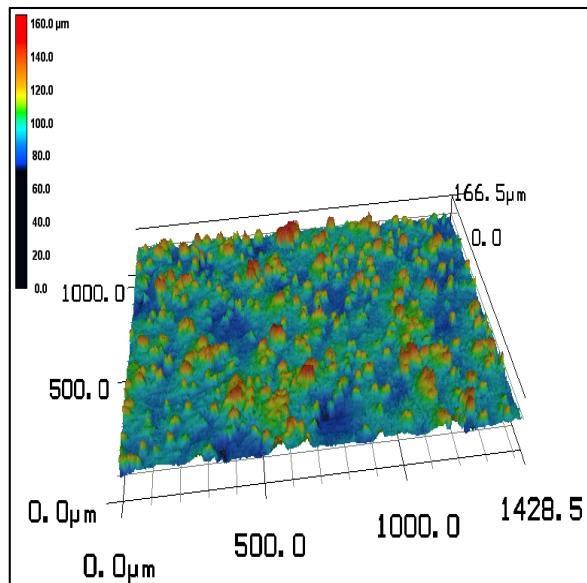
# Secondary Emission Yield

## Surface roughness of samples

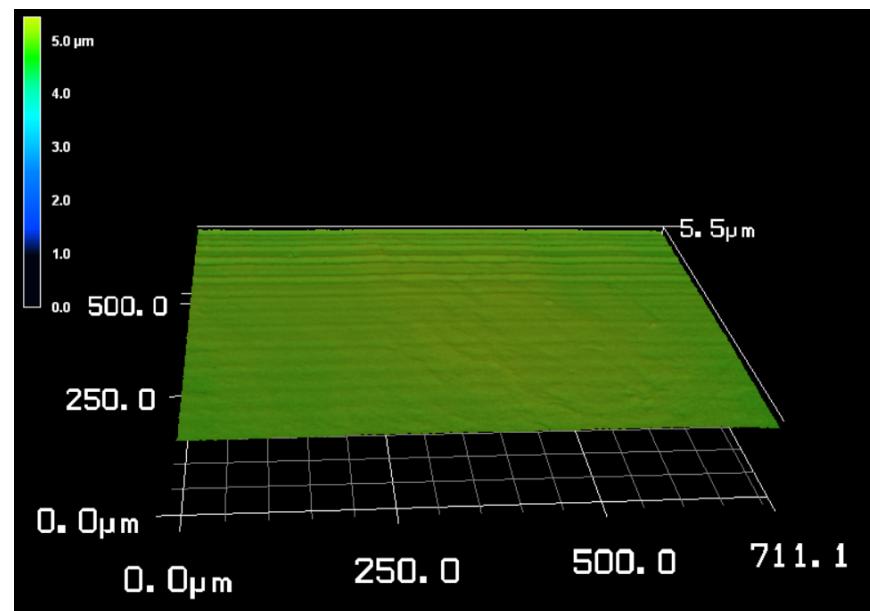
AM 316L

as-received

polished

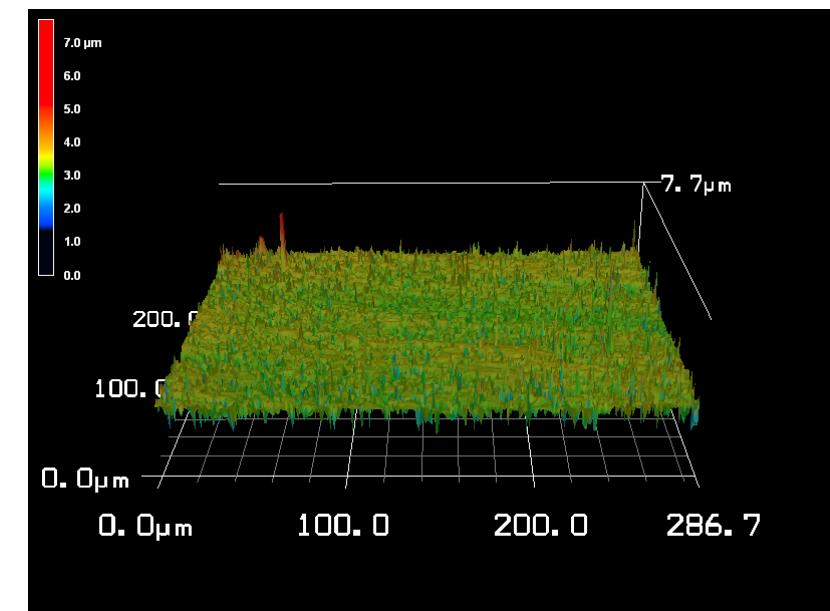


$$Ra = 9 \pm 1 \mu\text{m}$$



$$Ra = 0.35 \pm 0.05 \mu\text{m}$$

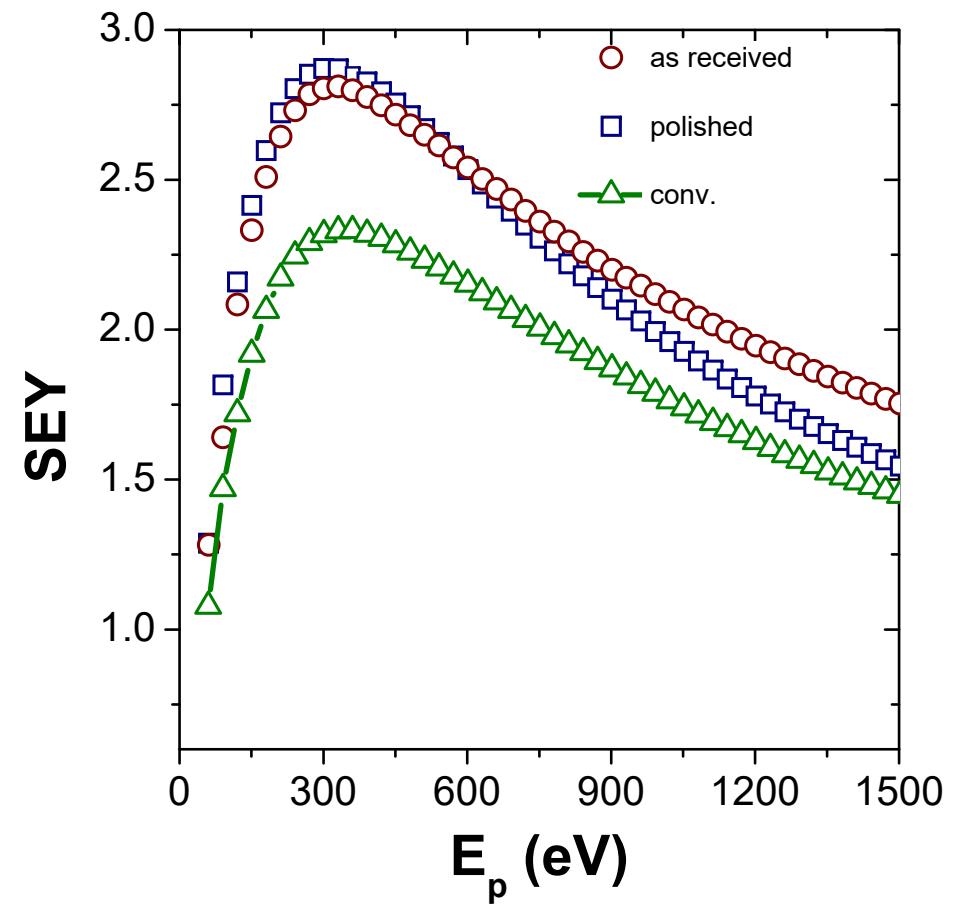
Conventional 316L



$$Ra = 2.9 \pm 0.5 \mu\text{m}$$

# Secondary Emission Yield

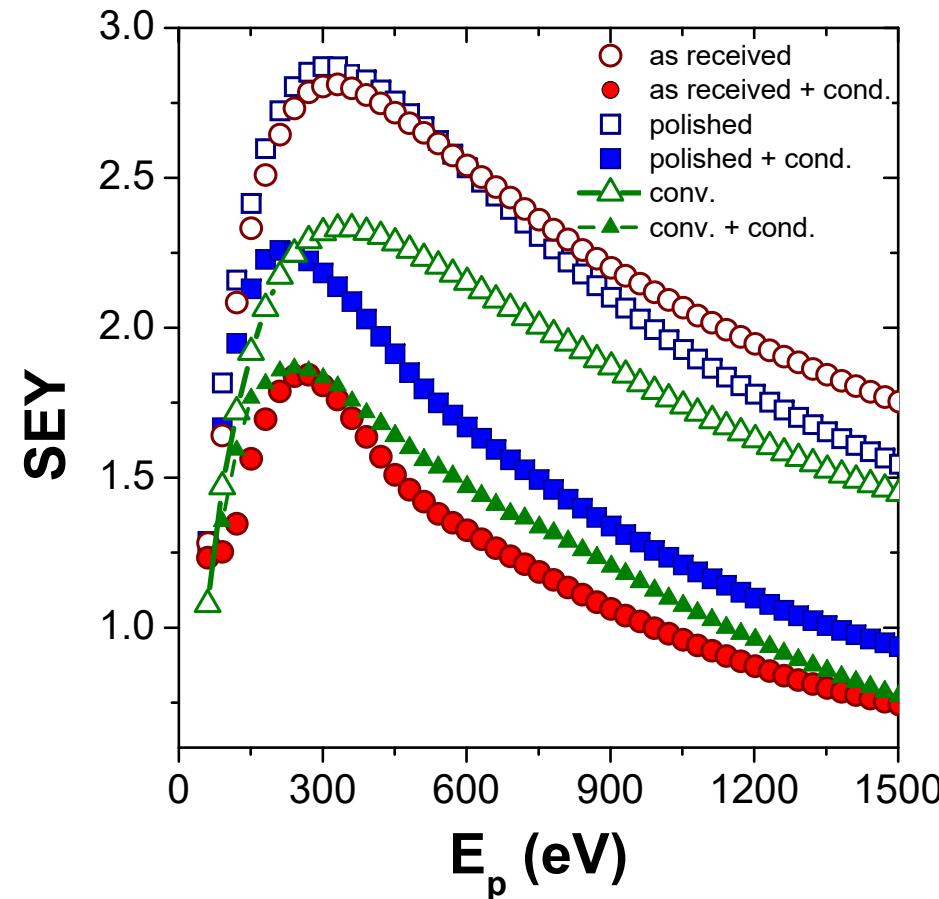
Before conditioning



SEY max of the conventional 316L is lower than the one of AM samples  
(2.3 vs 2.8)

# Secondary Emission Yield

Before conditioning  
+ after e- conditioning ( $E_p=500$  eV -  $Q=1.5 \times 10^{-2}$  Cb/mm<sup>2</sup>)



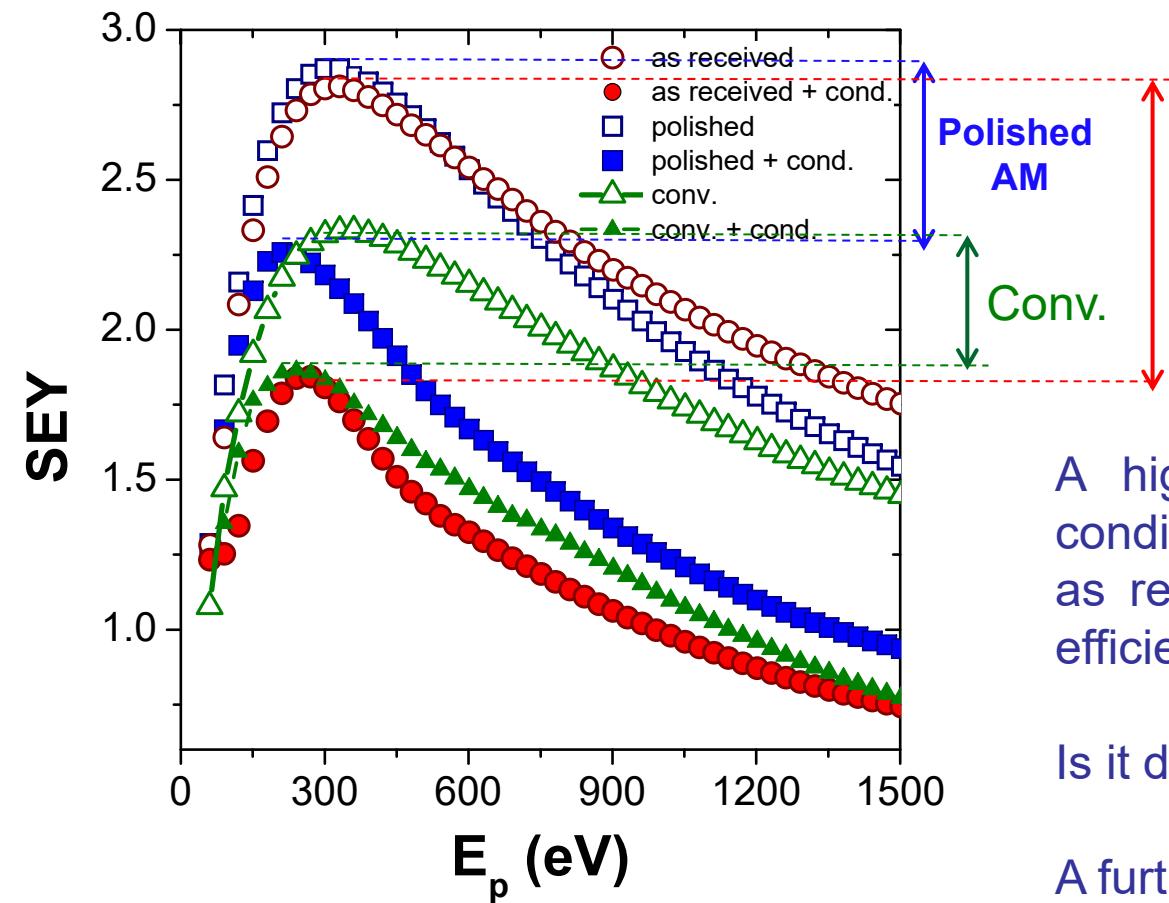
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# Summarize

- 316 L stainless steel samples were fabricated using AM via SLM in order to investigate:
  - Anisotropy induced by the manufacturing processing for both microstructure and mechanical properties
  - Outgassing (UHV compatible?)
  - Secondary Emission Yield
  
- Using the same method of additive manufacturing (SLM) does not guarantee to get the same properties
  - Problem of reproducibility !
  - Heterogeneity / anisotropy of properties
  - Higher mechanical properties can be reached
  - **It is important to control the conditions of manufacturing !!!**
  
- Outgassing rates : same values are obtained for AM tubes than for conventional counterparts → **UHV compatible !**
  
- SEY of AM samples is similar to the one of conventional 316L after electron conditioning of both types of samples
  
- The high surface roughness of AM components seems not to be a limiting parameter: further investigations are needed!

Is it possible to use additive manufacturing for accelerator UHV beam pipes ?

Yes! But for specific components : e.g. Beam Position Monitors (talk given by N. Delerue Friday morning)

**Thank you for your attention !**