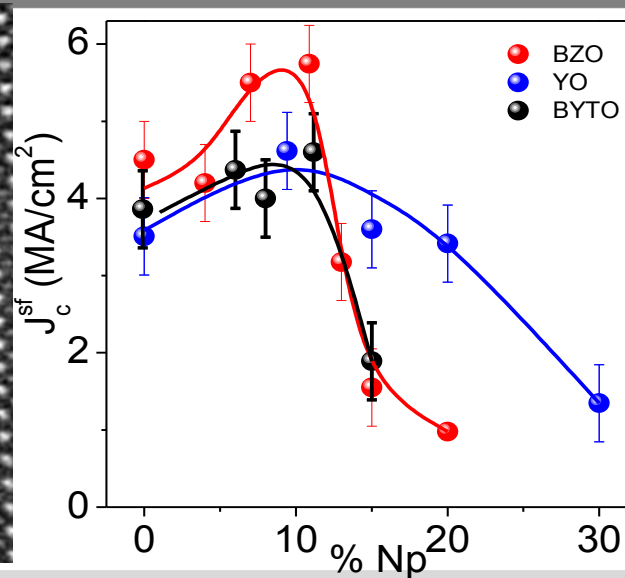
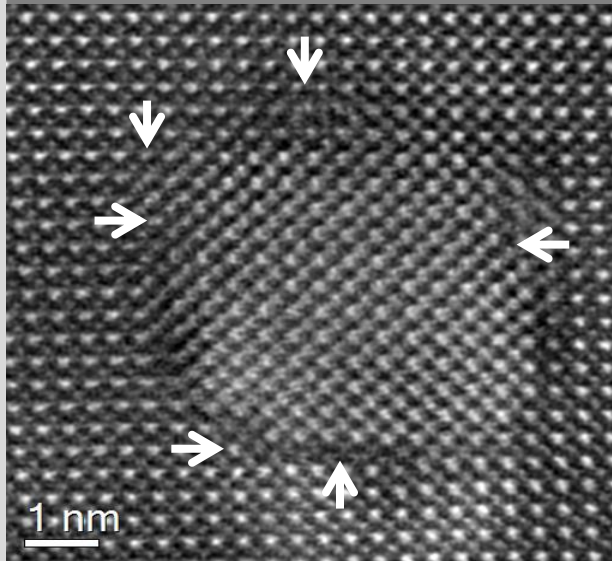


# Fortschritte bei der Entwicklung und Produktion von HTS Bandleitern

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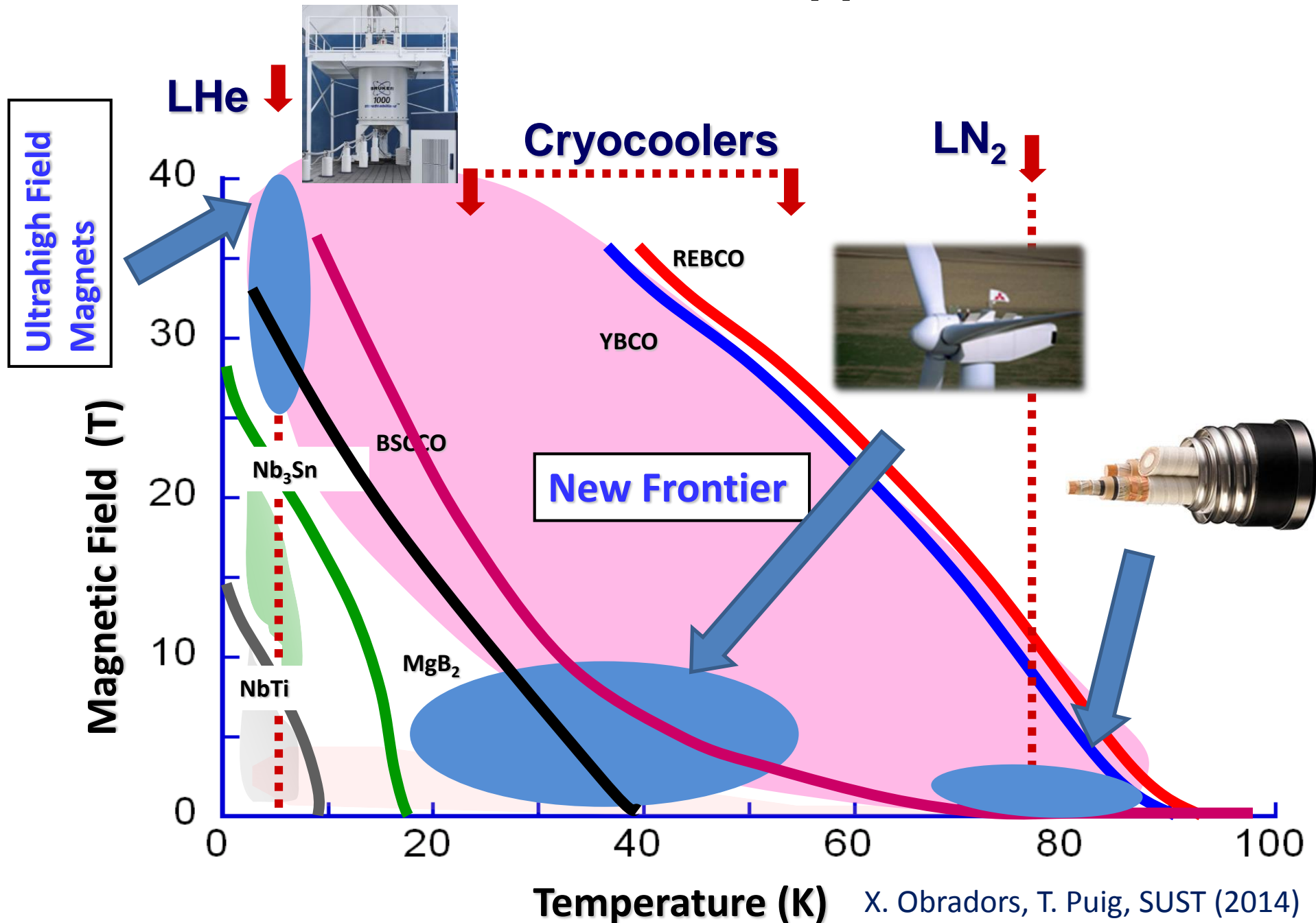
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# New frontiers for HTS applications

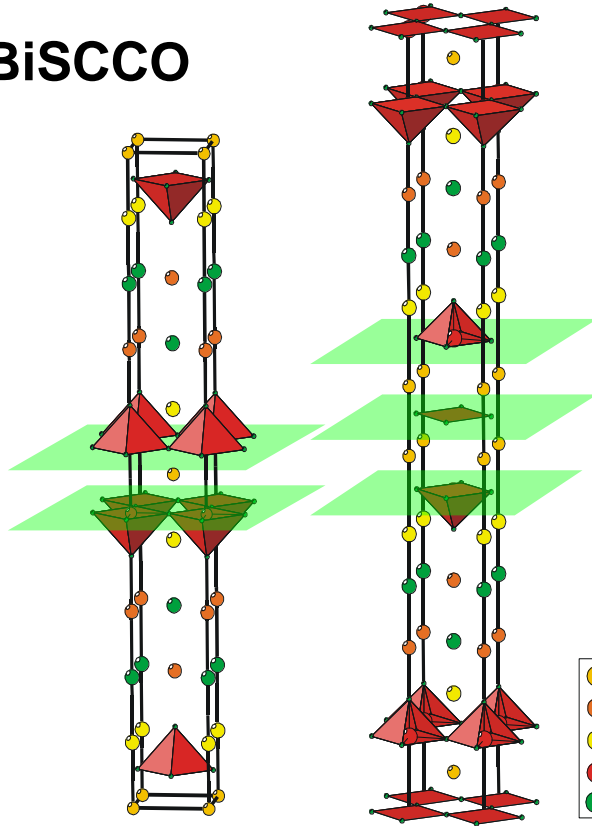


# High temperature superconductors

Bi(Pb)-2212    Bi(Pb)-2223

2212  $\approx$  (Bi,Pb)<sub>2</sub>Sr<sub>2</sub>CaCu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>x</sub> (x  $\approx$  8)  
 2223  $\approx$  (Bi,Pb)<sub>2</sub>Sr<sub>2</sub>Ca<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>x</sub> (x  $\approx$  10)

## BiSCCO



$T_C = 85K$

$T_C = 110 K$

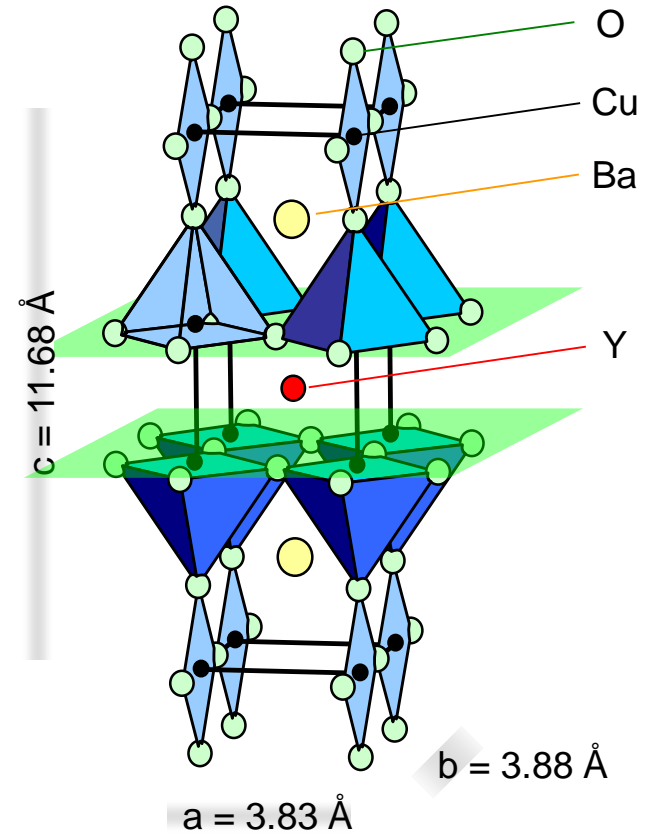
**Ceramics: layered perovskite material (2-dimensionality)**

**CuO<sub>2</sub>-planes responsible for superconductivity**

**Properties show high anisotropy**

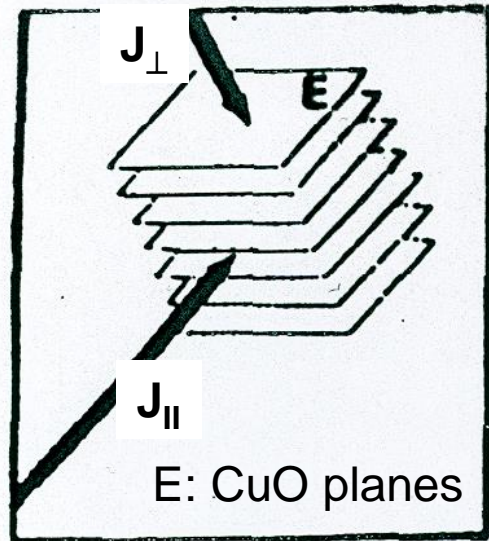
## REBCO

REBa<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7-x</sub>  
 RE: Y, Nd, Er, Gd, Eu...

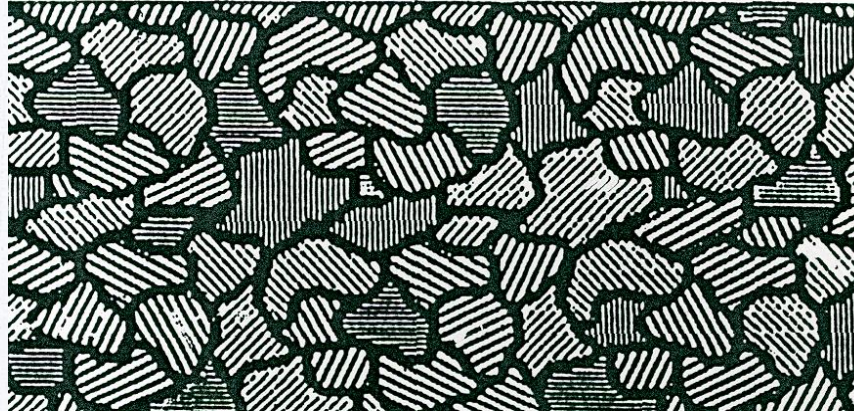


$T_C = 92 K$

# Requirements for High Critical Currents



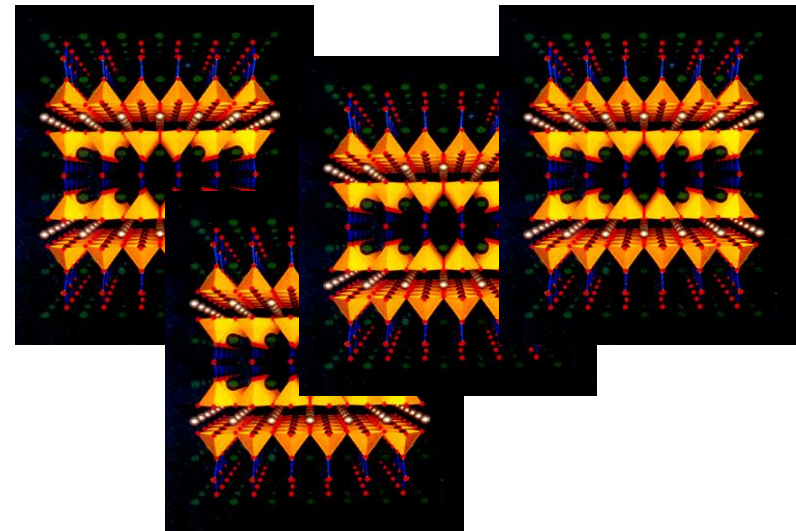
Polycrystalline



$J_{\parallel}$ : current parallel to CuO plane  
 $J_{\perp}$ : current perpendicular to CuO plane

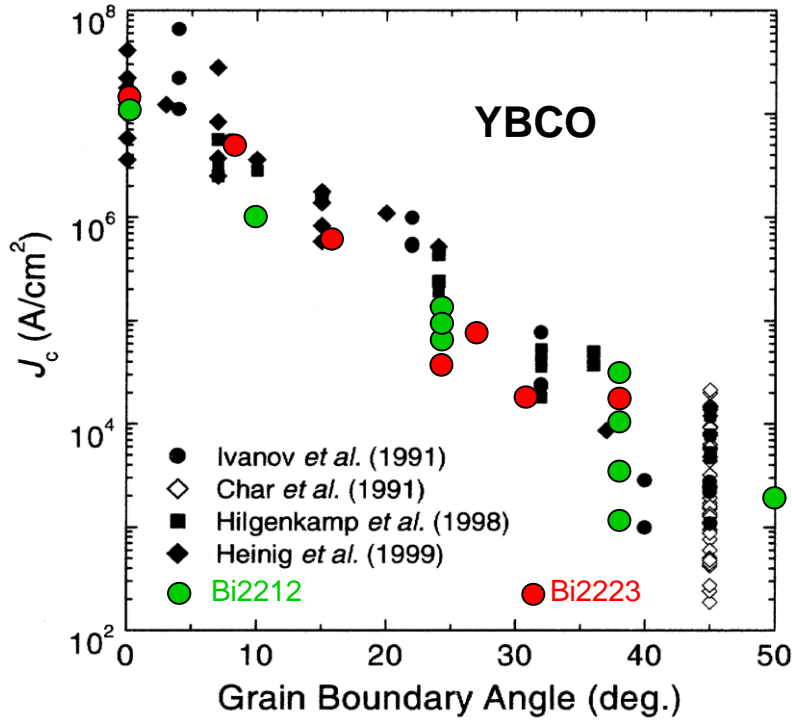
$$J_{\parallel} \gg J_{\perp}$$

Parallel alignment of CuO planes  
necessary for high  $J_c$

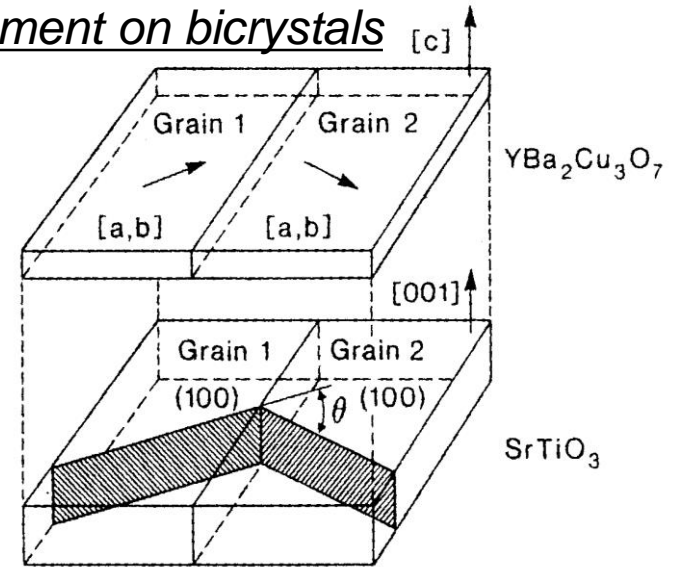




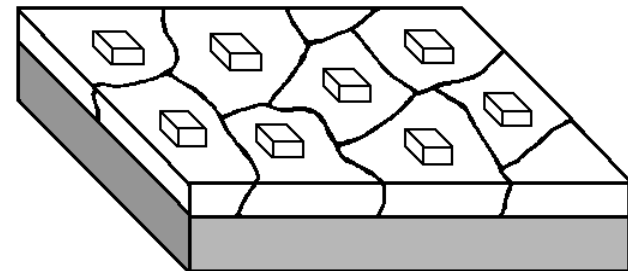
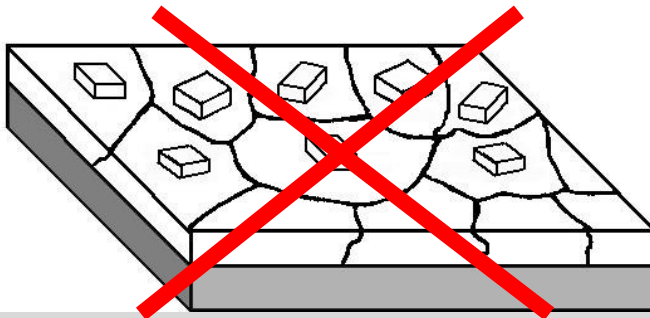
# HTSC grain boundary challenge



*Measurement on bicrystals*

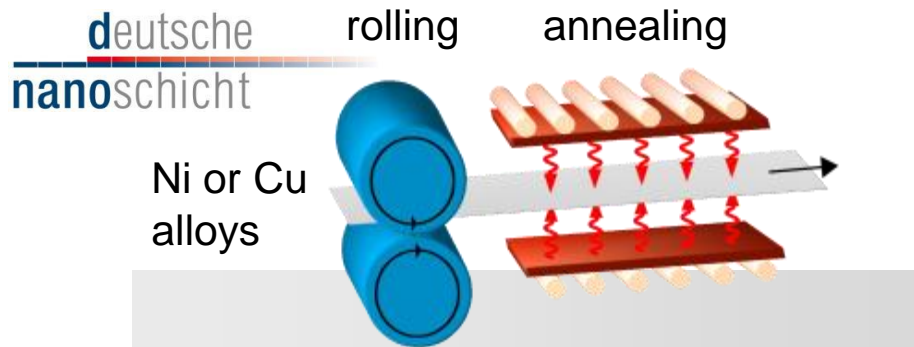


↪ High  $J_c$  in polycrystalline materials requires strong biaxial texture

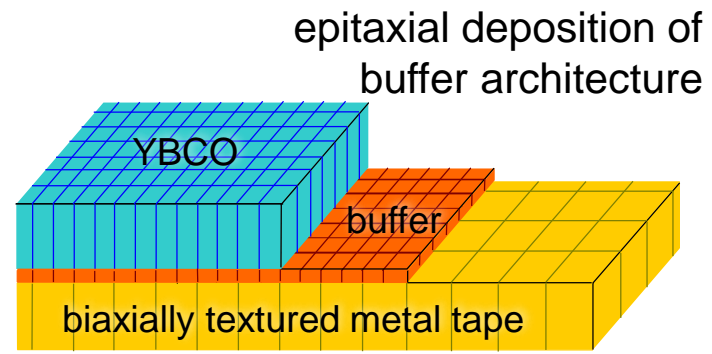
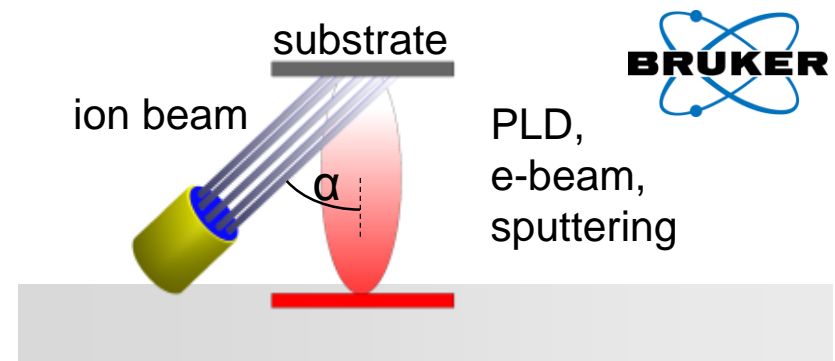


# Coated Conductor

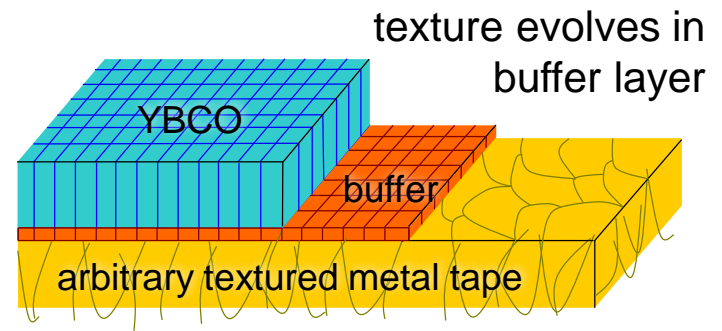
## Rolling Assisted Biaxially Textured Substrates (RABiTS)



## Ion Beam Assisted Deposition (IBAD/ABAD)



**Biaxial texturierte Substrate**

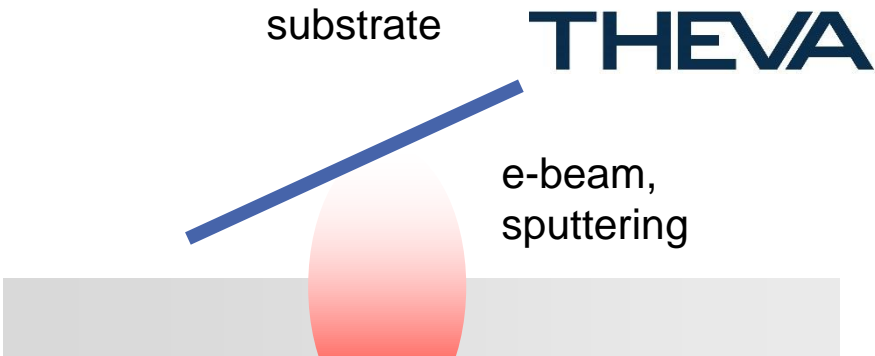
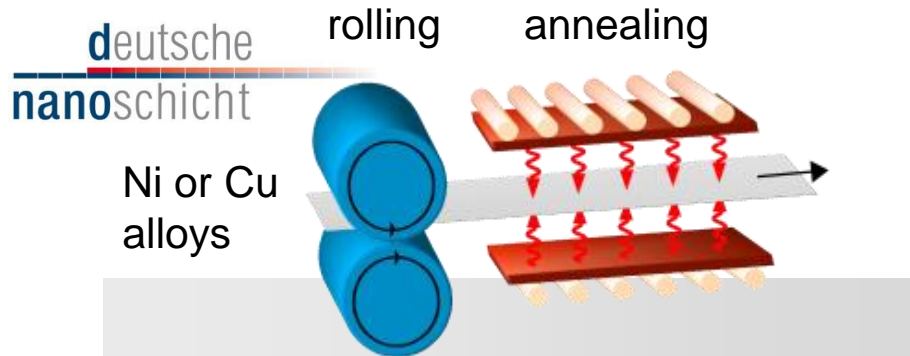


**Biaxial texturierte Pufferschichten**

# Synthesis Variants Coated Conductor

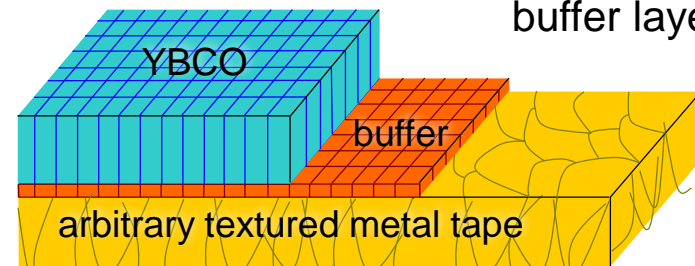
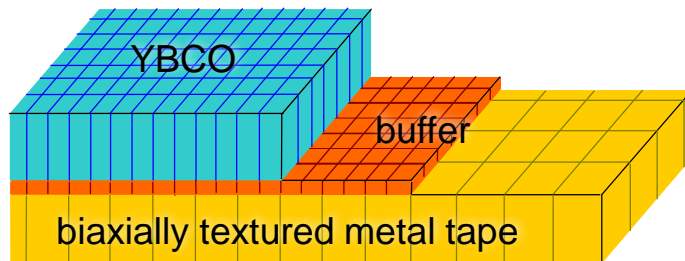
Rolling Assisted Biaxially Textured Substrates (RABiTS)

Inclined Substrate Deposition (ISD)



epitaxial deposition of buffer architecture

texture evolves in buffer layer



**Biaxial texturierte Substrate**

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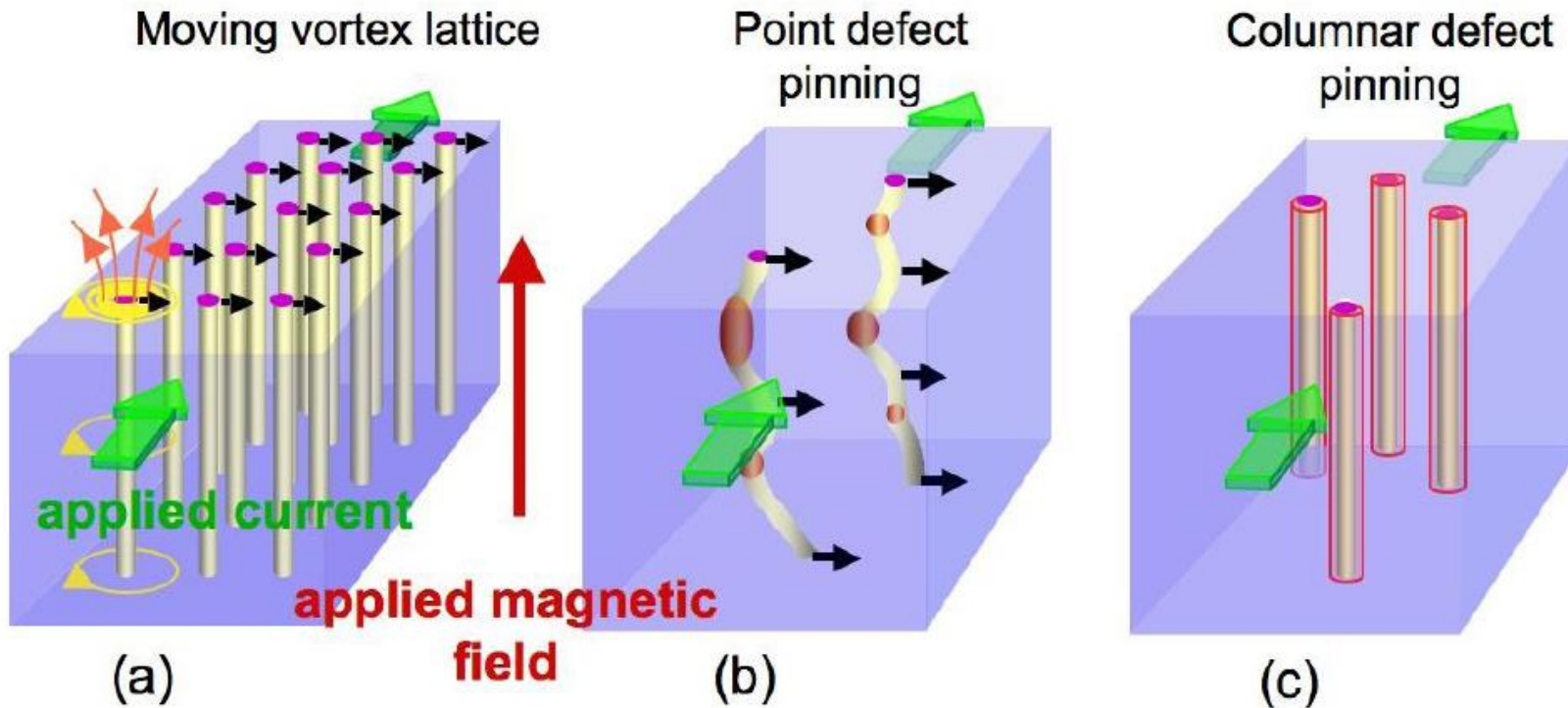
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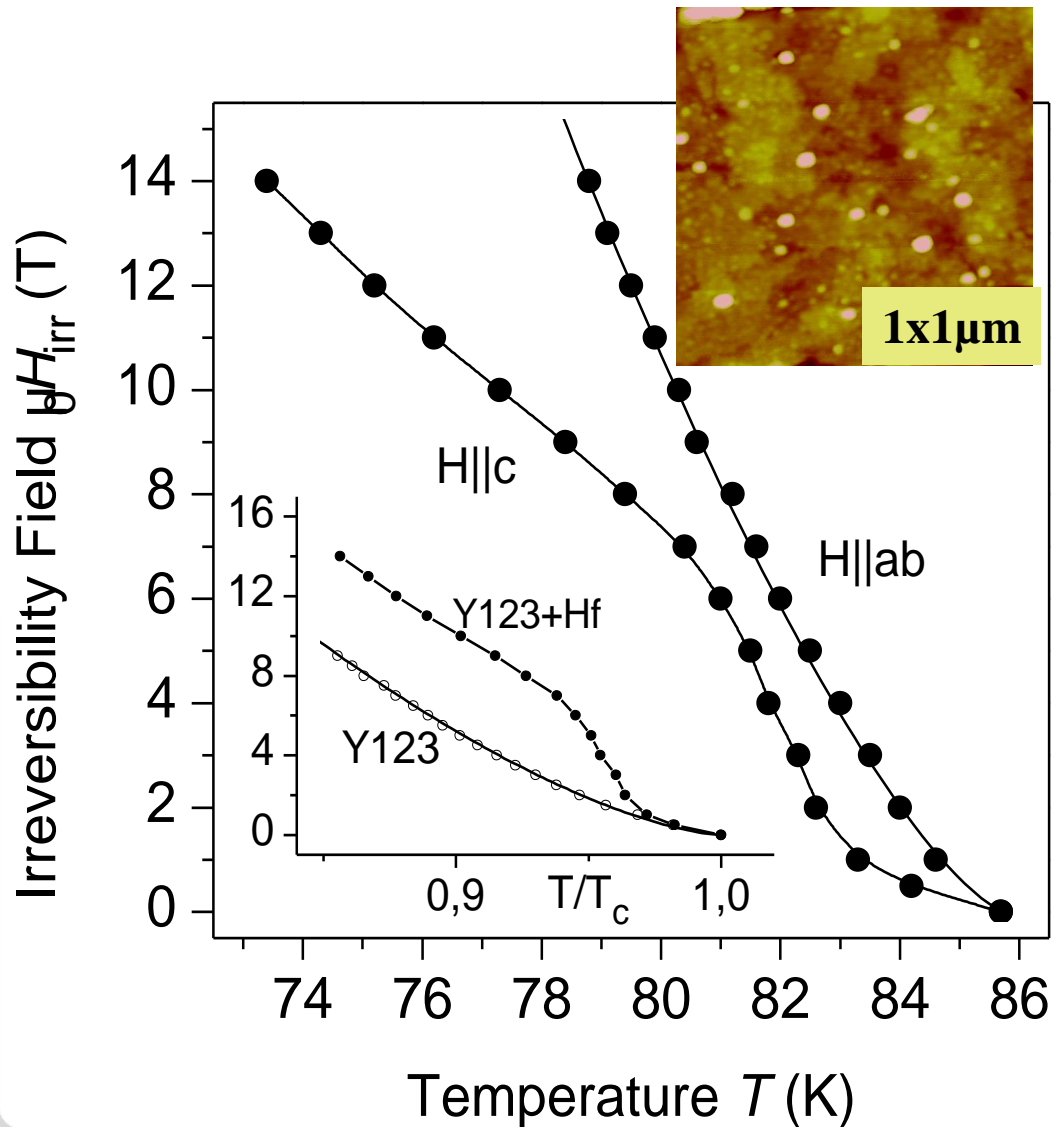
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# Pinning by (artificial) defects

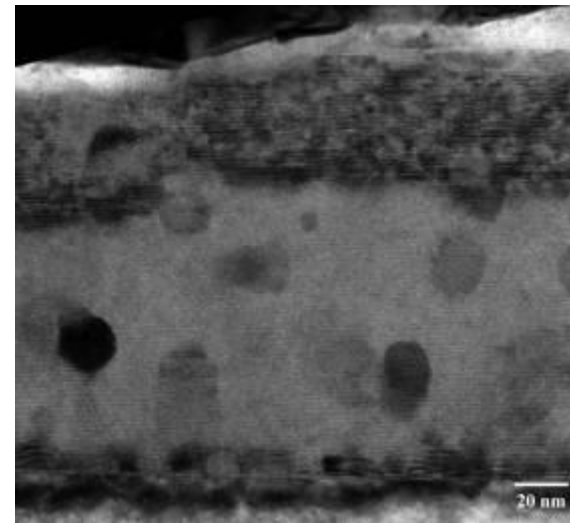


- Random 0D defects: e.g. Point defects
- Columnar 1D defects: e.g. Dislocations
- Planar 2D defects: e.g. Stacking faults
- 3D defects : e.g. Non superconducting nanodots



**Nanoscale defects (pinning centres) enhance  $H_{irr}$  and  $J_c$**

BaHfO<sub>3</sub>-Ausscheidungen in YBCO

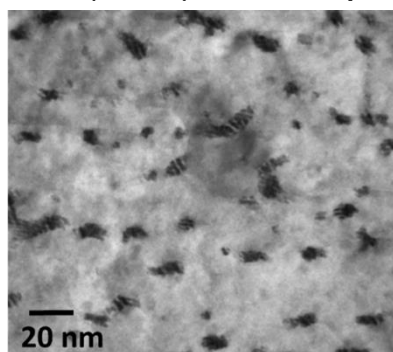


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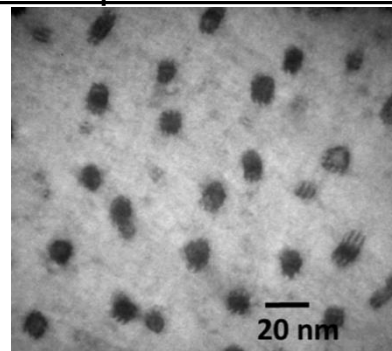
# Improving performance of REBCO tapes with heavy doping with Zr

- Zr doping results in  $\text{BaZrO}_3$  nanoscale defects aligned along thickness of the superconductor film

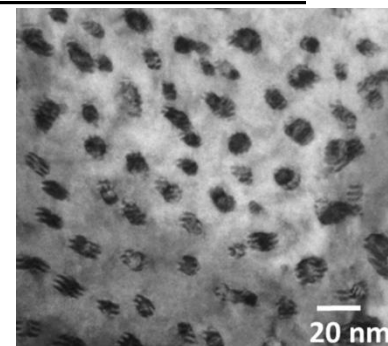
Plan view (top row) and Cross section view (bottom row) microstructures of (GdY)BCO superconductor tapes different levels of zirconium addition.



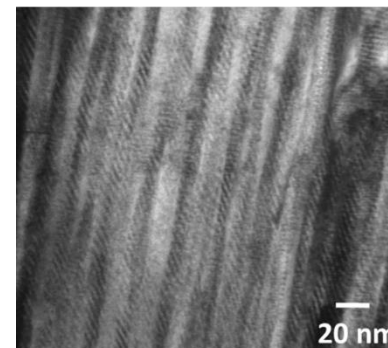
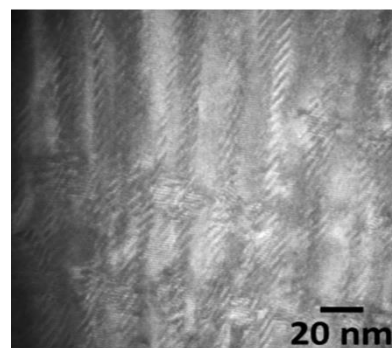
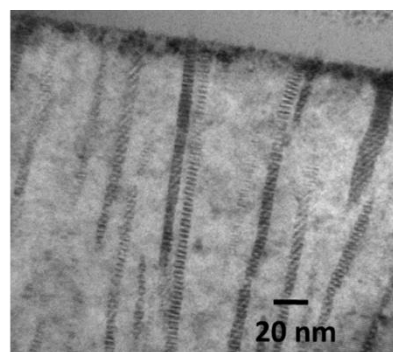
7.5% Zr



15% Zr

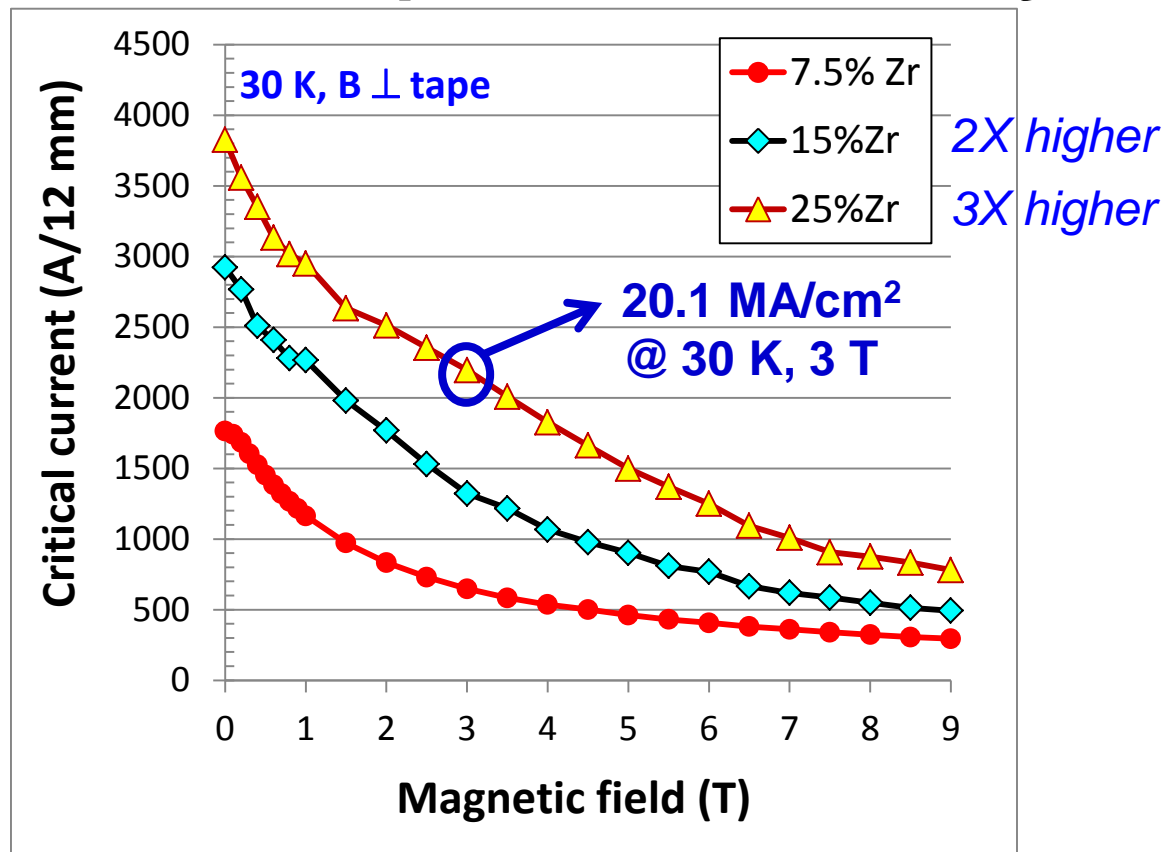


25% Zr



*The density of nanoscale defects in the superconductor film increases with increasing zirconium addition.*

# 3X improvement in in-field performance of REBCO tapes in the last 2 years

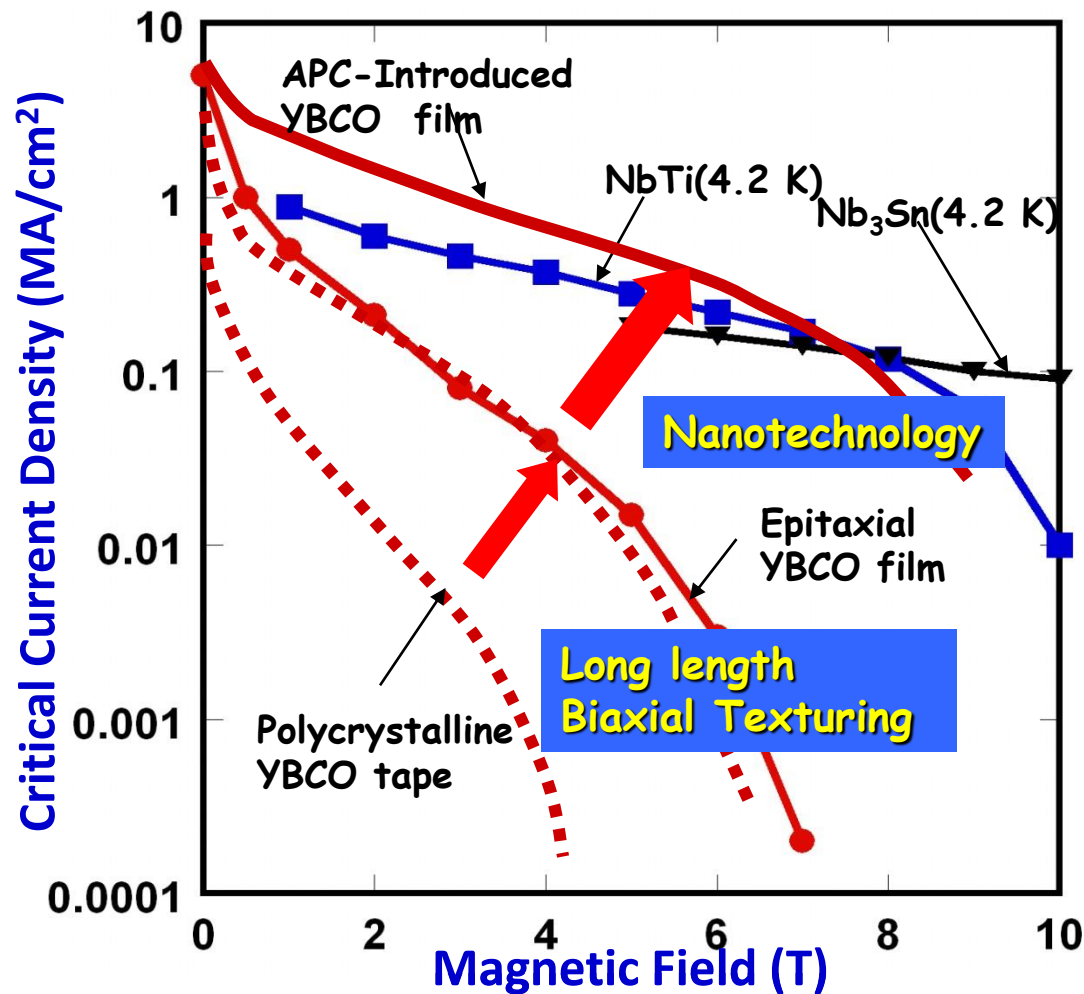


- Critical current of 25% Zr-added tape at 30 K, 3 T,  $B \parallel c$   
~ 2172 A/12 mm  
 $J_c = 20.1 \text{ MA/cm}^2$ ,  
Pinning force =  
603 GN/m<sup>3</sup>
- Lift factor at 30K, 3 T,  
 $B \parallel c$  ~ 6.4  
(200% improvement!)

- Enabled by engineering a high density of nanoscale defects while maintaining high crystalline quality of the superconductor films



# Coated Conductors: The HTS materials for power applications



Courtesy M. Matsumoto

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## Prozesstechnologie

- HTS Drahtarchitektur – dünne, flexible, keramische Beschichtungen

**Supraleiterschicht**

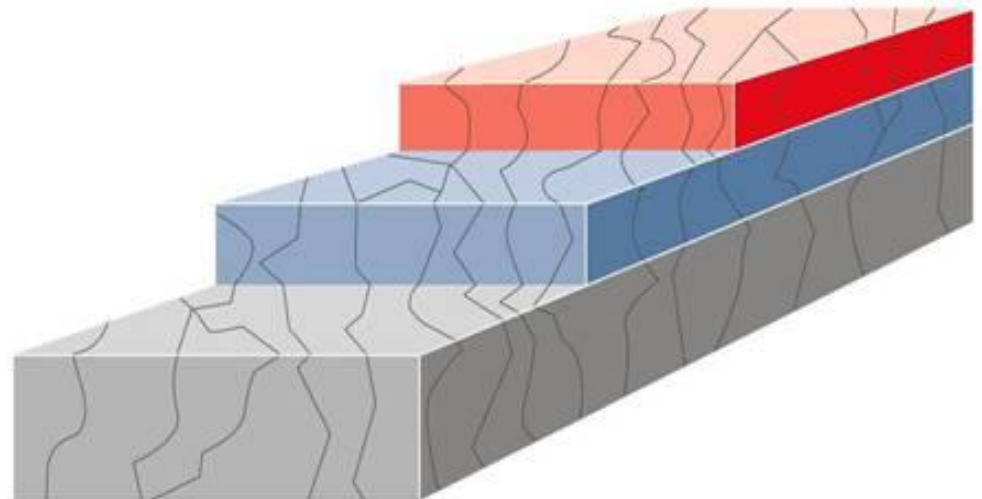
**$\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_x$  (YBCO)**

**Pufferschicht**

**$\text{La}_2\text{Zr}_2\text{O}_7$  (LZO),  $\text{CeO}_2$**

**Metallsubstrat**

**NiW-alloy**



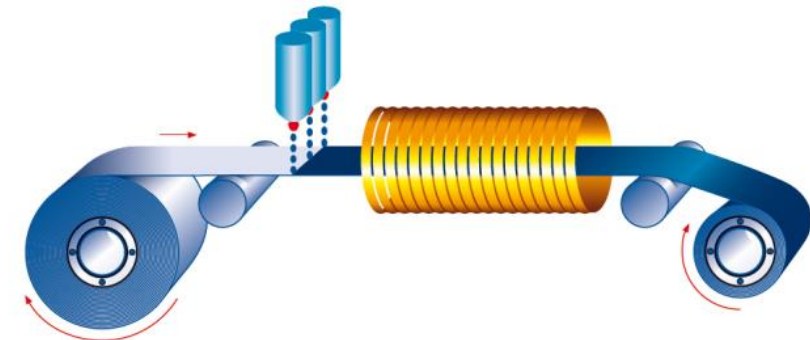
## Prozesstechnologie

- Chemische Beschichtungstechnologie

### **Vorteile:**

- Höchster Durchsatz (Abscheideraten)
- Niedrigstes Investment
- Niedrigster Energieverbrauch
- Niedrige Rohmaterialkosten

⇒ **bestens geeignet für  
energietechnische Anwendungen**



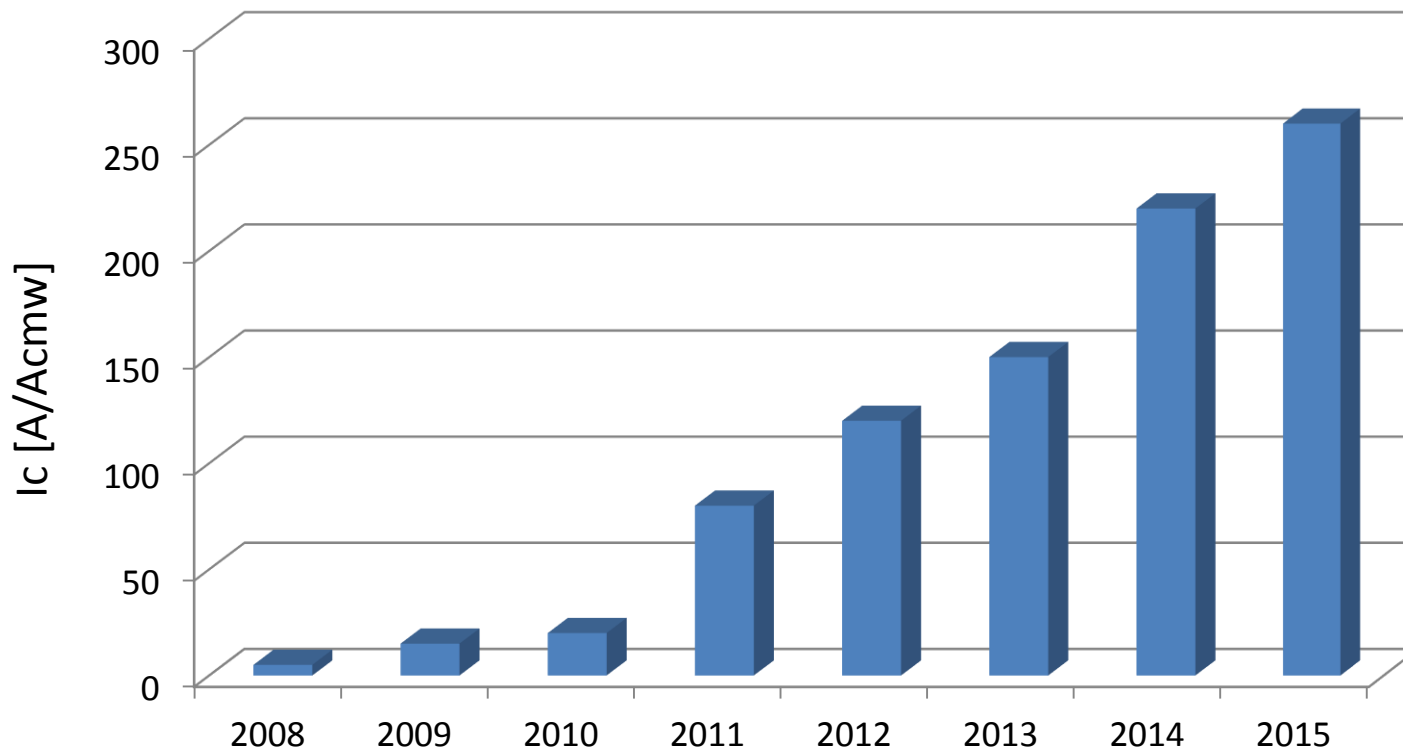
Kontinuierliche Beschichtung und Glühung



## Eigenschaften

- Entwicklung mit industriellen Partnern über mehr als 10 Jahre
  - Eigenschaften von Proben >20m

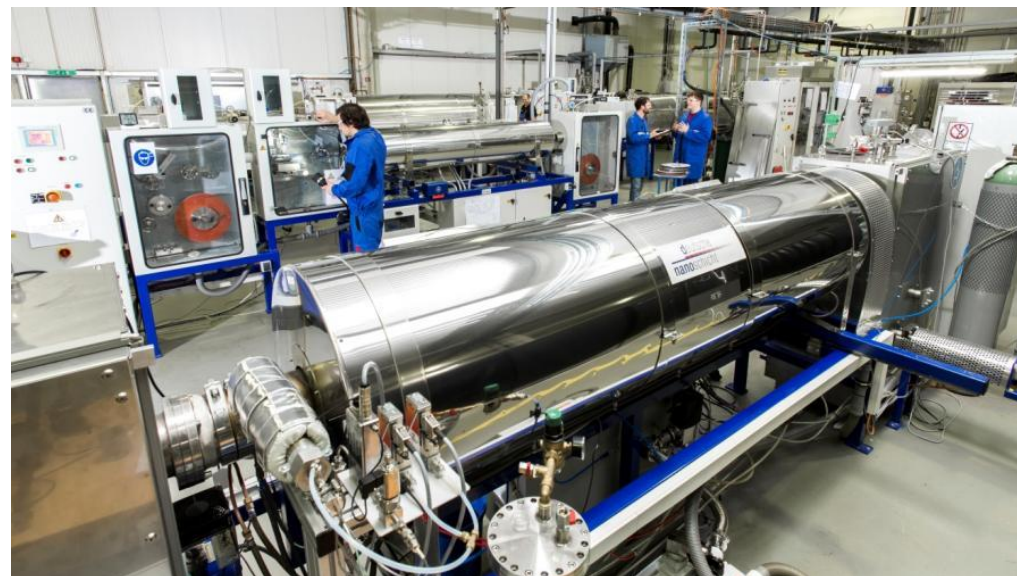
VDM Metals  
Honeywell  
Heraeus





## Pilotproduktion

- Technische Fertigstellung der Pilotproduktionsanlage bis Ende 2015
- Geplante Kapazität > 200km technischer HTS Draht
- Bemusterung für Kundenprojekte ab Mitte 2016



Laborfertigung



Pilotfertigung

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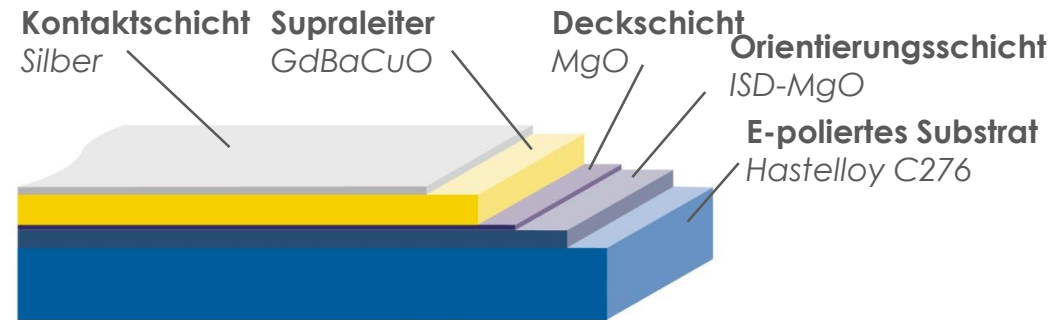
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## VERFAHRENSTECHNIK

Durchgängige PVD – Abscheidung (e-Strahl-Verdampfen)

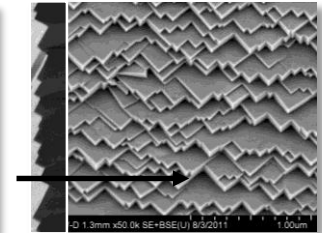
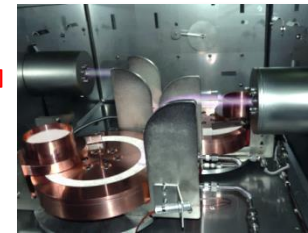
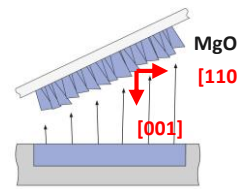
### Substrat

- Hastelloy C276, unmagnetisch
- Hohe Festigkeit > 500 MPa
- Reinigung & Elektropolitur



### MgO-Pufferschicht

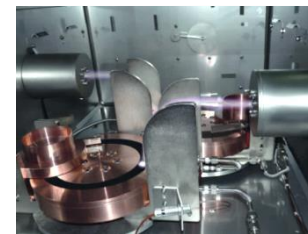
- Schrägbedampfen (ISD)
- biaxiale Orientierung, FWHM < 10°
- 25° Verkippung, gestufte Oberfläche



Bandrichtung

### GdBa<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub>-Schicht

- Kontinuierliche E-Strahlverdampfung
- Hohe Abscheiderate
- Stöchiometrie fest vorgegeben durch Pulver

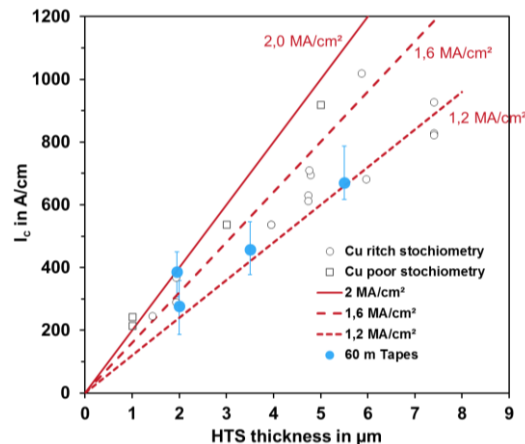


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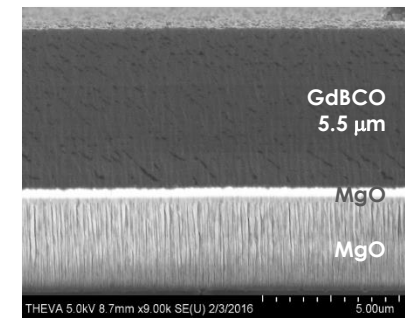
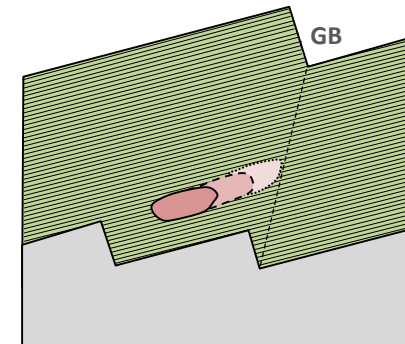
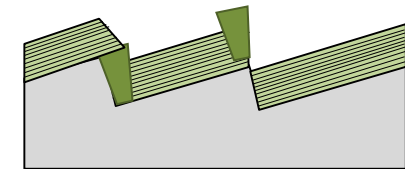
Hohe Stromtragfähigkeit durch dicke HTS - Schichten

### Einzigartiger Vorteil

- Gestufte Oberfläche erlaubt Wachstum dicker HTS - Schichten  $> 5 \mu\text{m}$
- Größe von Defekten limitiert durch Terrassenbreite
- Defekte werden von höherer Terrasse aus lateral überwachsen und gestoppt



Vergleich alter Laboregebnisse (offene Symbole) mit 60 m Bandleitern aus Produktion (blau)



## HTS - BANDLEITERFERTIGUNG

Modernste Produktionstechnik

### Merkmale der Piloffertigung

- Modulare, vollautomatische Anlagen
- Kontinuierliche Ein- und Ausschleusung
- Inline Qualitätskontrolle
- Geschwindigkeit aktuell: >30 m/h @ 12 mm Breite
- Leiterlänge: 60m (aktuell) – 600m (bis Ende 2016)
- Ausbeute: > 70% (Kriterium:  $I_c > 360A$ ,  $L > 25m$ )

### Zielsetzung

- Hohe Kosteneffizienz in der Produktion
- Robuste Prozesse mit hoher Ausbeute
- Implementierung industrieller Standards
- Durchgängige Qualitätssicherung



**Alle folgenden Ergebnisse aus der Produktion**

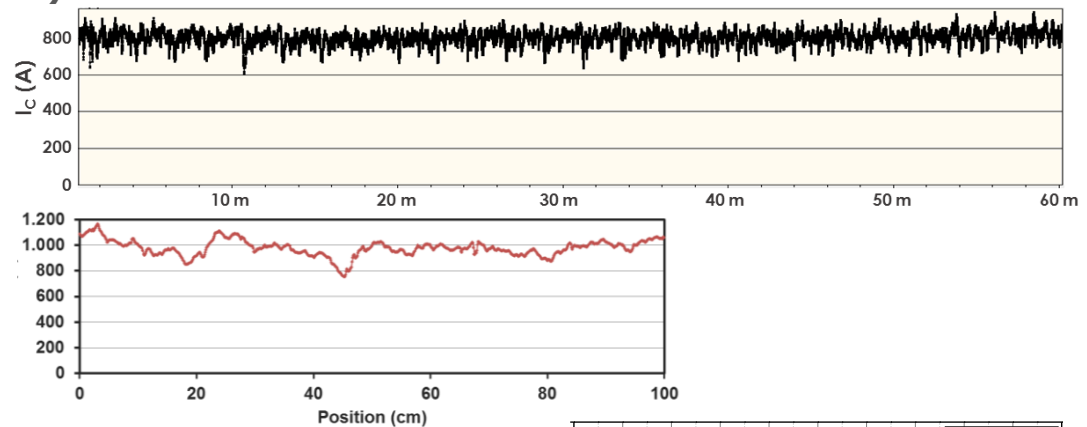


## ERGEBNISSE

Leistungsfähigkeit – 60 m Prozesslänge

### Stromtragfähigkeit (@ 12 mm)

- $I_{C,min}$  bis zu 600 A
- $I_{C,avg.}$  bis zu 800 A
- $I_{C,max.}$  bis zu 1200 A →



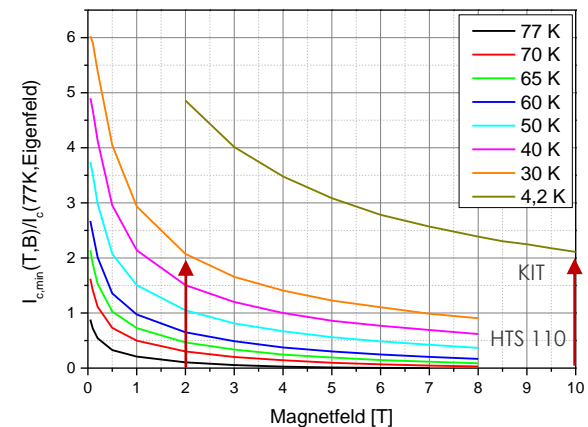
### Gute Magnetfeldverträglichkeit

Lift-Faktoren:

$$I_C(30K, 2T) / I_C(77K, s.f.) = 2$$

$$I_C(4,2K, 10T) / I_C(77K, s.f.) = 2$$

vergleichbar zu AMSC „enhanced pinning“



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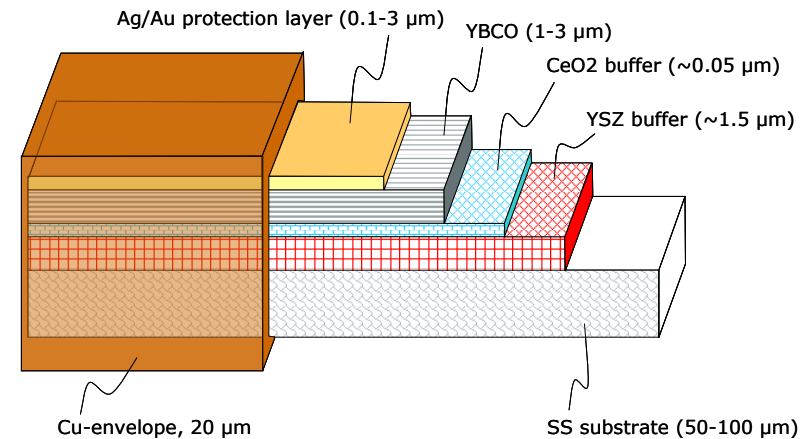
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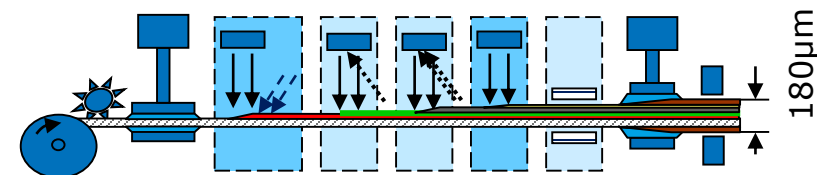
## BHTS's process chain

- The standard processing route for the BHTS coated conductors consists of ...
  - ... stainless steel substrate polishing and cleaning
  - ... YSZ buffer layer coating by vacuum deposition (ABAD)
  - ... Ceria and YBCO layer coating by vacuum deposition (PLD)
  - ... Ag shunt layer coating by vacuum deposition (evaporation) and Ag layer annealing in O<sub>2</sub> atmosphere
  - ... Cu encapsulation by plating
  - ... final inspection and quality check of the HTS tapes

### Typical HTS layer stack



### Idealized sketch of the BHTS process chain



## Capabilities of BHTS pilot-lines

- BHTS main mission: manufacturing of 2G HTS coated conductors
- Two production lines in Alzenau:
  - Pilot-line for 4mm wide HTS tapes with the capability to process a max. single piece tape length of **600m**

IN OPERATION

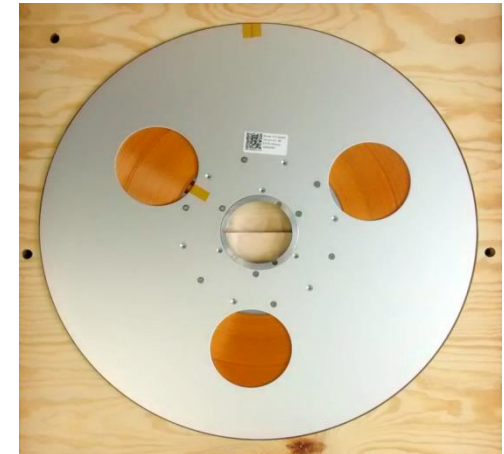


4mm wide HTS tape without insulation

- Pilot-line for 12mm wide HTS tapes with the capability to process a max. single piece tape length of **100m**

RAMP-UP IN PROGRESS

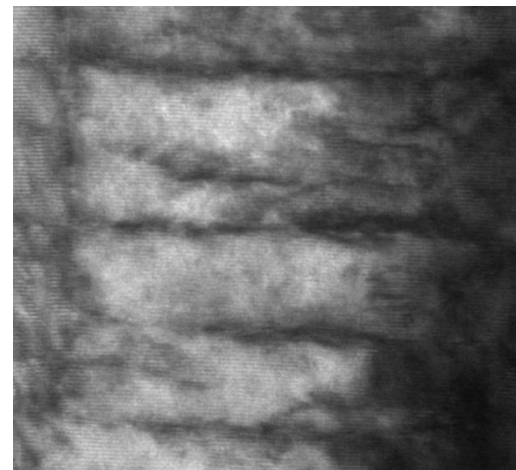
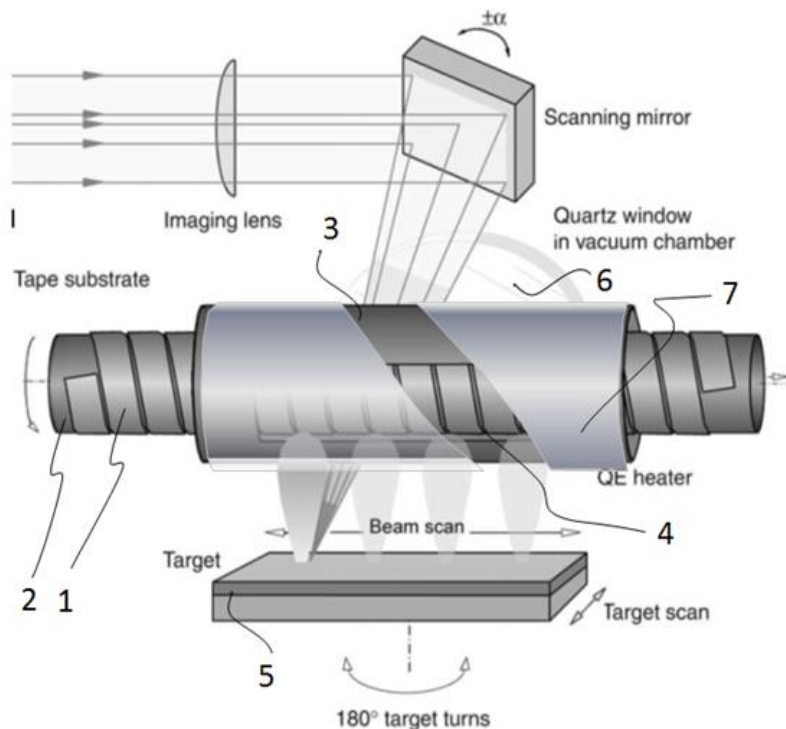
- Comprehensive testing devices for process and quality control of coated conductors



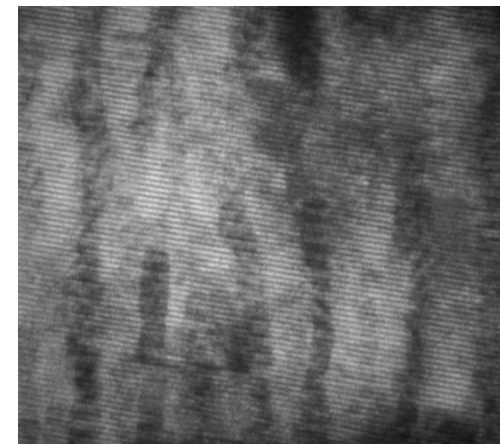
4mm wide HTS tape with insulation on a 20" reel

## BHTS's core competence

- Manufacturing of coated conductors (HTS 2G) tailored for its application in high magnetic fields
- Structural design of the YBCO superconducting thin films on a nano-scale by pulsed laser deposition PLD



INTRINSIC stoichiometric deviations in the YBCO film

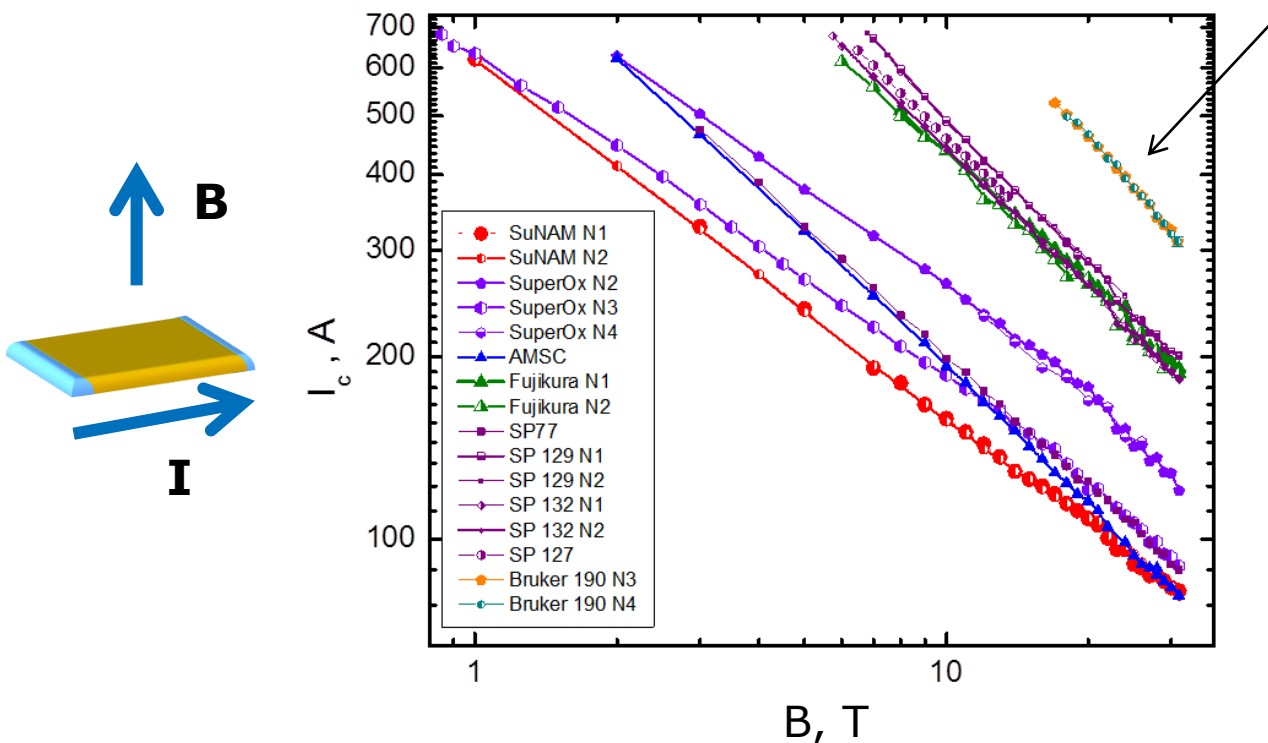


EXTRINSIC second phase nano-structures in the YBCO film



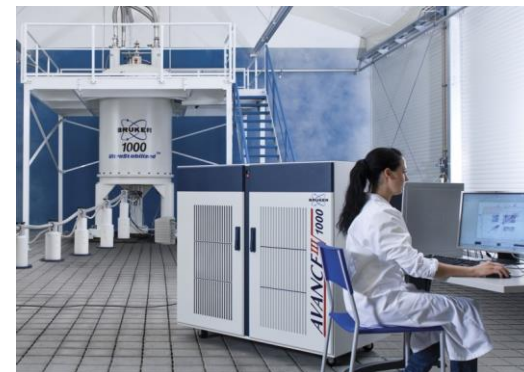
## BHTS's core competence

- $I_c$  in-field performance @ (4K, B up to 31T) of coated conductor samples from different manufacturers measured at FSU in November 2014
- An  $I_c$  value of 309A at 4K, 31T was obtained for the 4mm wide BHTS tape samples



BHTS tapes ...

... which fulfills the  $I_c$  requirements for the next generation of BRUKER BIOSPIN persistent superconducting magnet for NMR spectroscopy



# BRUKER HTS



## BHTS at the new site

- Successful relocation of the operation BHTS in Q3 2015
- Since August 2015: BHTS at the new site in the Röntgenstr. 9 in Alzenau
- More than 2000sqm operation area available
- Excellent infrastructure and media supply for vaccum coating fab lines

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Industriepark Nord  
Röntgenstr. 9  
63755 Alzenau  
Germany





# BRUKER HTS



## Pilot-line equipment

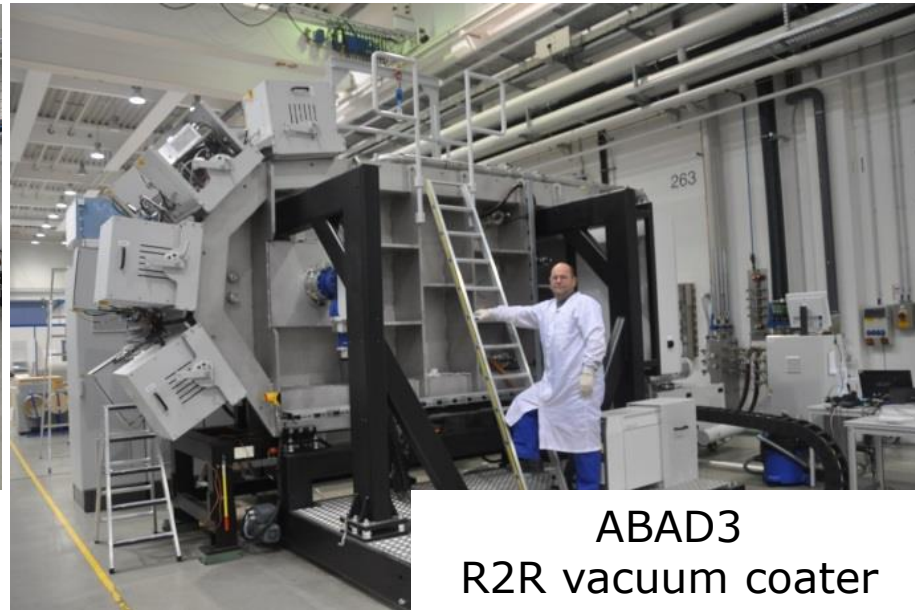
- Tape processing equipment with different substrate handling concepts (batch and reel-to-reel R2R processes)



PLD600  
Batch vacuum coating



EPOL3  
R2R electropolishing



ABAD3  
R2R vacuum coater



PLD600  
substrate drum

# Summary

- **Highly textured HTS based Coated Conductor enable high critical current densities over long length**
- **Controlled Nanoengineering improves strongly critical current in magnetic fields**
- **Industrial upscaling under way with strong German contributions**
- **Further industrial production improvements necessary to transfer HTS tapes into “industrial commodities”**

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