

# Advance Additive Manufacturing Method for SRF Cavities of Various Geometries

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- AM Research History at Radiabeam
- Overview of EBM AM Technology
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- Phase II Work

# RadiaBeam Overview



- Founded in 2004 as a spin-off from UCLA's Particle Beam Physics Lab
- Core Mission:
  - Provide well-engineered, high quality, cost-optimized accelerator systems and components
  - Develop novel accelerator technologies and applications
- Today: 40 employees
  - Consists of PhD Scientists (7), Engineers (19), Machinists (6), Technicians (5), and Administrative (3)
  - Experience from working at National Labs (BNL, FNAL, LLNL, LANL) and Industry (SureBeam, L-3, Siemens, Varian, Accuray)





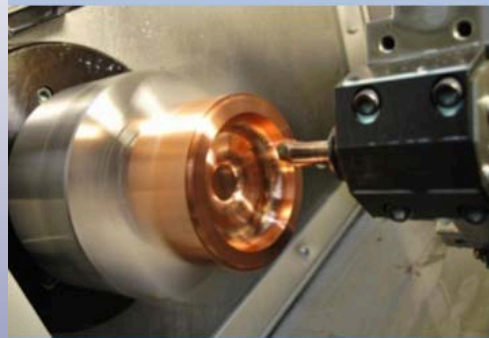
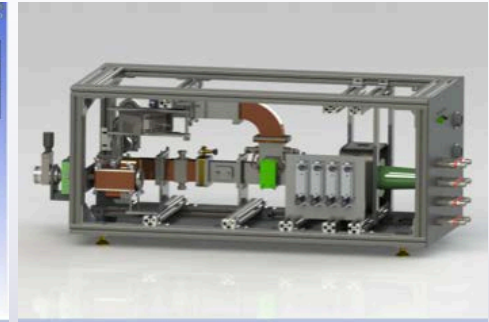
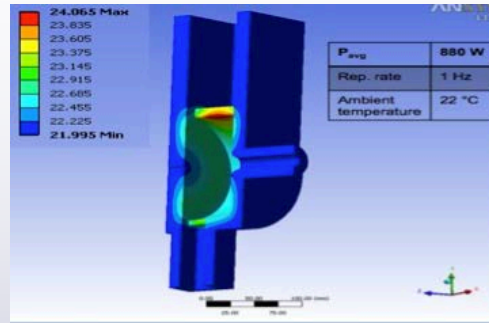
# Facilities

- Machine shop (“clean” and regular)
- Magnetic measurements
- RF (cold) test area
- Hot test cell (up to 2 MeV)
- Optics area
- Chemical cleaning and Clean rooms
- Total of 16,000 sq. ft. space



# Capabilities

- Design
- Engineering
- Fabrication
- Assembly
- Testing
- Installation
- Service



- Accelerator Systems
- RF structures
  - RF guns (particle sources)
  - Linear accelerators
  - Free Electron Laser (FEL) components
- Magnetic systems
  - Electromagnets
  - Permanent magnets
- Diagnostics
  - Beam profile monitors
  - Bunch length monitors
  - Charge, emittance, etc.

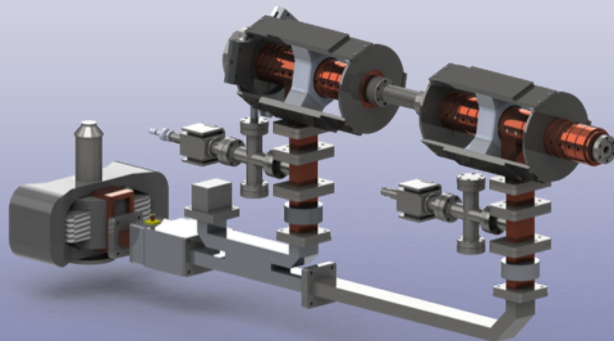


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# Accelerator Systems

- Designed specifically for customer's application
- Wide variety of specs and options available
- Designed, built, delivered, and commissioned complete turnkey systems in < 9 months!



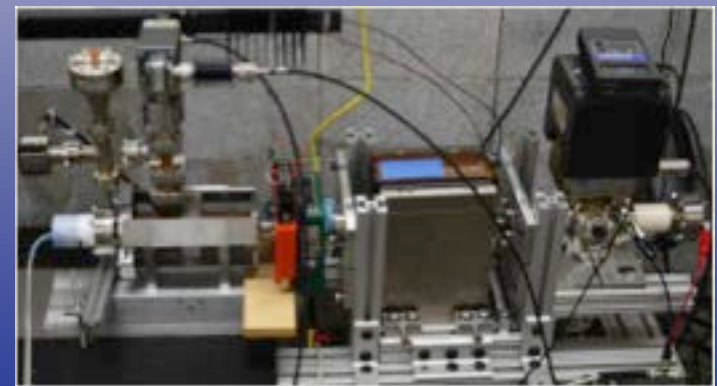
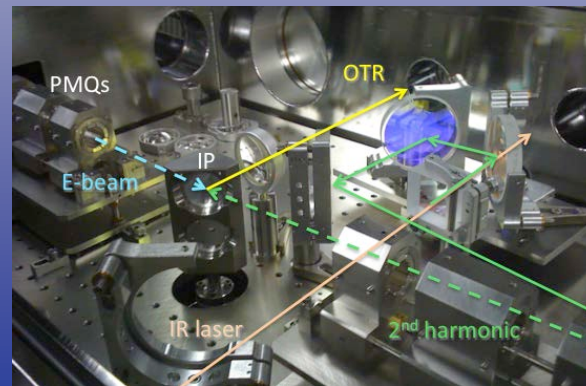
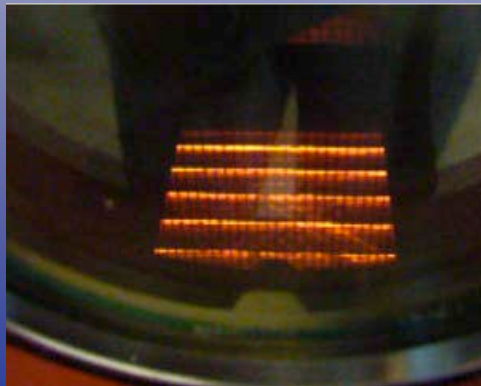
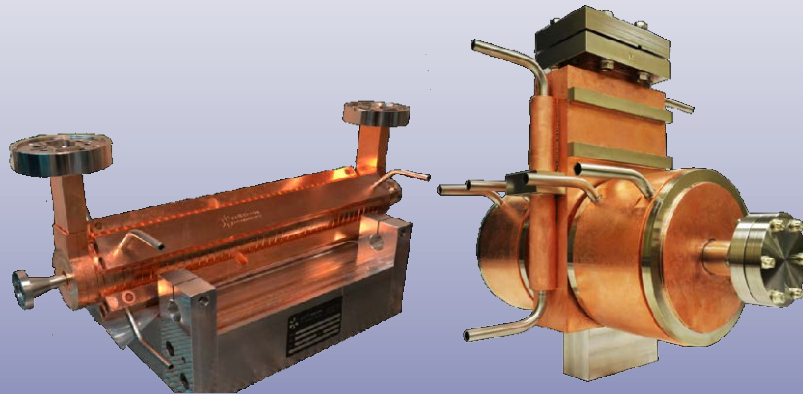
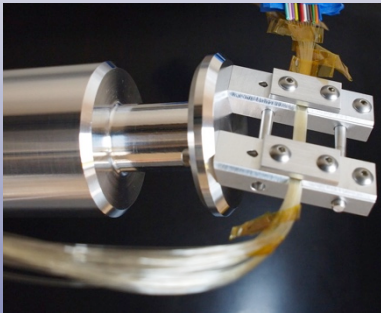
Application	Energy	Average Power
Field-deployable high-energy radiography	1-4 MeV	10 – 100 W
Cargo Inspection/Fixed-installation Radiography	4-9 MeV	100 – 1000 W
Oncology	4-20 MeV	100 – 1000 W
E-beam Sterilization/Processing	10 MeV	10 – 50 kW
X-ray Sterilization/Processing	7.5 MeV	20 – 200 kW

# Growing List of Customers



# Funding Agencies

- Fund R&D to develop new products and technical solutions

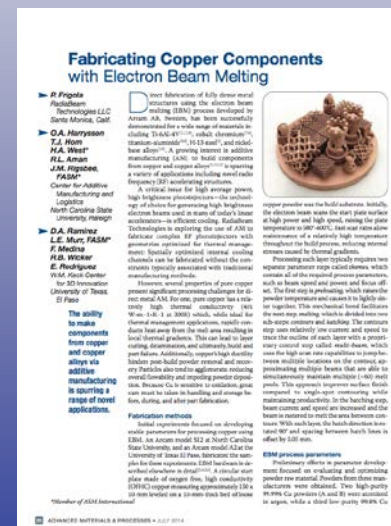
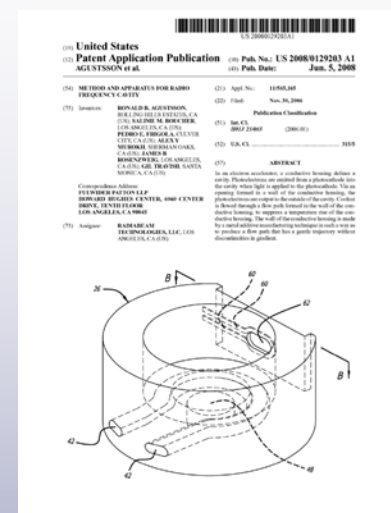




# AM Research at RadiaBeam



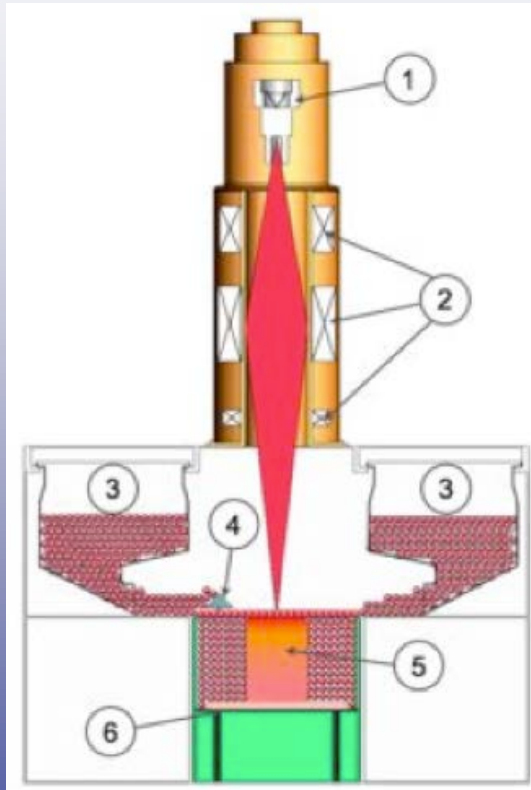
- 2006 to present: DOE and DHS SBIR/STTR, as well as Internal R&D funded
  - Total of 6 Phase Is, and 3 Phase IIs
- Active collaboration with NC State, UTEP, JLab
- Developed accelerator designs and methods exploiting AM
  - NCRF accelerators (copper) : US Patent 7,411,361: *Method and apparatus for radio frequency cavity*
  - SRF accelerators (niobium) : Joint patent with JLab - pending: *Additive Manufacturing Method for SRF Components of Various Geometries*
- First to developed EBM AM process parameters for copper and niobium
  - *Fabricating Copper Components with Electron Beam Melting*, Advanced Materials & Processes, Vol. 172, Iss. 7, July 2014 (ASM International)
  - C. Terrazas t. al., *EBM Fabrication and Characterization of Reactor-Grade Niobium for Superconductor Applications*, Preceeding of Solid Freeform Fabrication Symposium, UT Austin, August 4-5, 2014
  - C. Terrazas, *Characterization of High-Purity Niobium Structures Fabricated using the Electron Beam Melting Process*, PhD Dissertation, UT El Paso, August, 2014



- Electron Beam Melting Additive Manufacturing (EBM AM) is a fabrication process where parts are built by melting thin layers of metal powder
- An electron beam melts each layer to a geometry defined by a CAD model
- EBM AM parts are fully-dense, functional parts
- EBM AM advantages:
  - Cost/time savings
  - Excellent material properties
  - **Freedom in design**







## ARCAM A2 TECHNICAL DATA

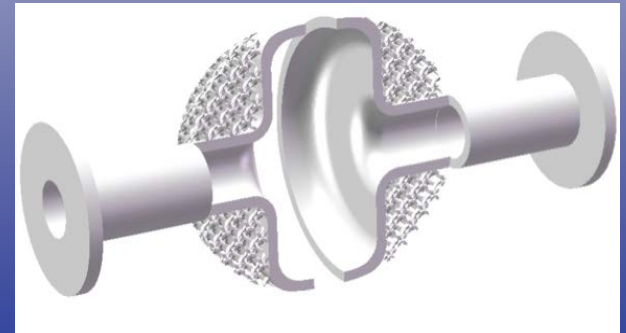
Build tank volume	250x250x400 mm and 350x350x250 mm (W x D x H)
Maximum build size	200x200x350 mm and Ø 300x200 mm (W x D x H)
Model-to-Part accuracy, long range <sup>1</sup>	+/- 0.20 mm (3σ)
Model-to-Part accuracy, short range <sup>1</sup>	+/- 0.13 mm (3σ)
Surface finish (vertical & horizontal) <sup>2</sup>	Ra25/Ra35
Beam power	50–3500 W (continuously variable)
Beam spot size (FWHM)	0.2 mm – 1.0 mm (continuously variable)
EB scan speed	up to 8000 m/s
Build rate <sup>2</sup>	55/80 cm <sup>3</sup> /h (Ti6Al4V)
No. of Beam spots	1–100
Vacuum base pressure	<1 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> mBar
Power supply	3 x 400 V, 32 A, 7 kW
Size and weight	1850 x 900 x 2200 mm (W x D x H), 1420 kg
Process computer CAD interface	PC
CAD interface	Standard: STL
Network	Ethernet 10/100/1000
Certification	CE

<sup>1</sup> Long range: 100mm, Short range: 10mm, measured on Arcam Standard Test Part (ASTP).

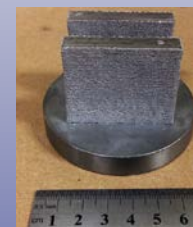
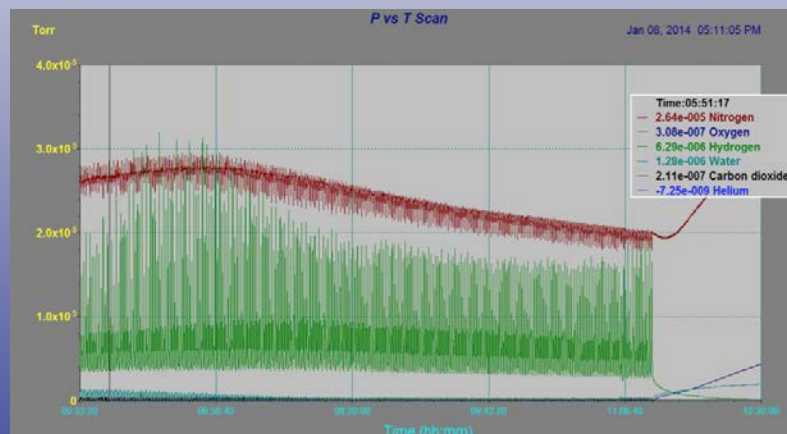
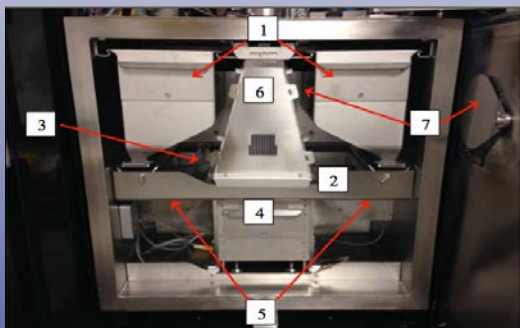
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Settings optimized for fine surface quality/Settings optimized for high build speed.

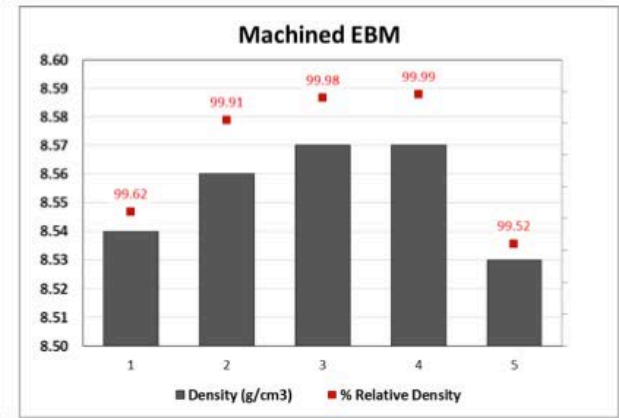
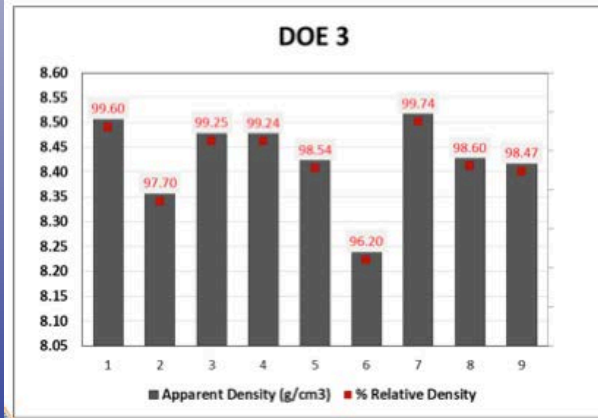
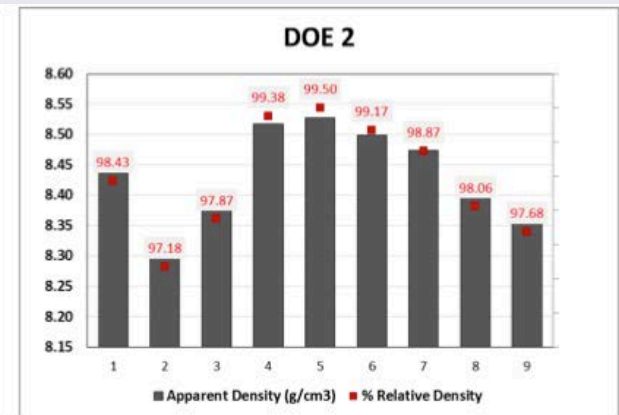
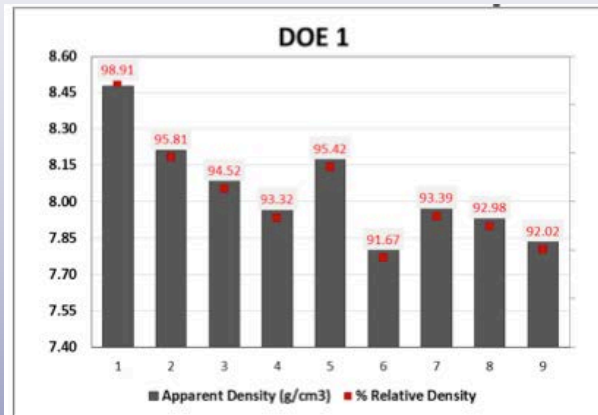
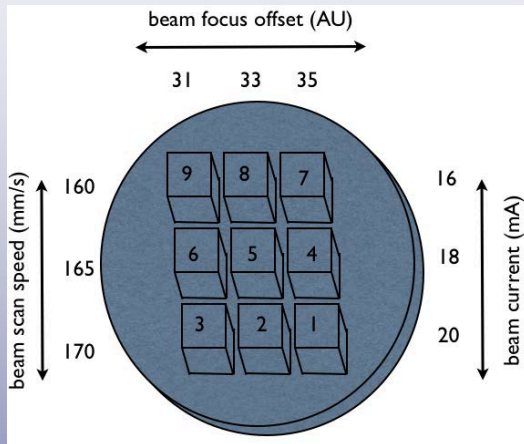
- **Project Goal:** Develop EBM AM for Nb, and experimentally validate SRF performance of prototype component(s)
- **DOE NP Relevance:** SRF cavities and ancillary components are a key technology for DOE NP (and others)
  - Reduce or eliminate joints in current designs
  - Integrated stiffeners for mitigation of: Lorentz force detuning, microphonics, pressure fluctuations
  - Realize truly novel designs – more physics driven, less manufacturing driven
    - Very thin walls (<1mm) with lattice supports
    - Integrate the helium vessel and cavity?



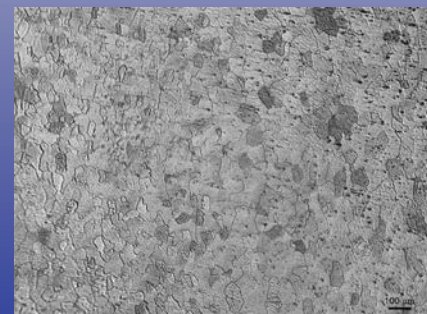
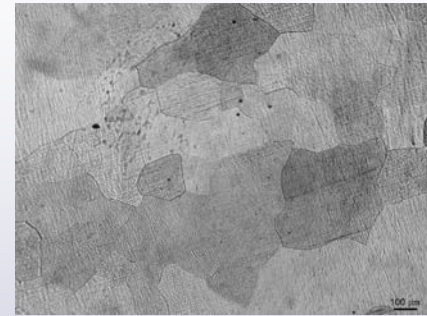
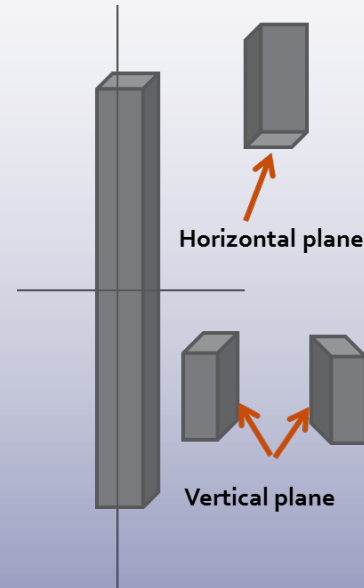
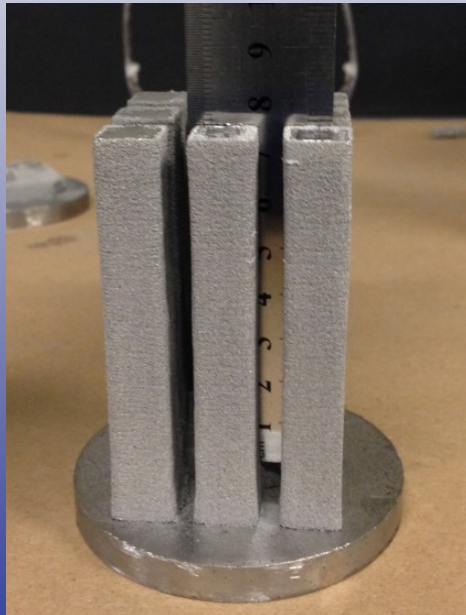
- Phase II (Year 1) concentrated on EBM process optimization
  - Feedstock powder
    - Still using reactor grade Nb (RRR~40)
  - Hardware and software improvements to EBM machine
    - New machine interior
    - Operating vacuum improved to low  $10^{-5}$  Torr (from mid  $10^{-4}$  Torr)
    - Process monitored real-time with RGA
  - Fabrication of samples for material testing



- Iterative Design of Experiment (DOE)
  - Improved as-EBM density  $> 8.55 \text{ g/cm}^3$  (from a  $8.51 \text{ g/cm}^3$  in Phase I)



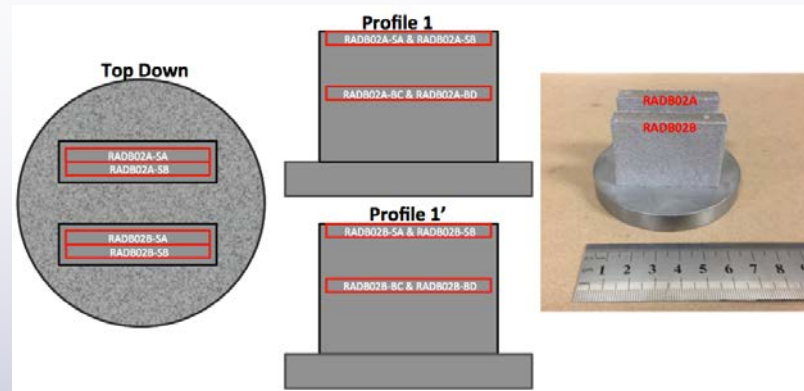
- EBM bar samples
  - Equiaxed grains in horizontal plane ( $\sim 250 \mu\text{m}$ )
  - Elongated grains in vertical plane ( $\sim 20$  layers;  $\sim 1 \text{ mm}$ )



Wrought Nb;  
equiaxed grains in all  
directions



- Performed at JLab SRF Institute using standard “4-probe method”
- Uniform SC properties
- $T_c \sim 9.1$  to  $9.2$  K, with sharp transitions
- As-EBM RRR  $\sim 17$ - $18$  (roughly half of feedstock material)
- RRR  $\sim 44$  after BCP dip + $800^\circ$  C 3hr HV in Ti box

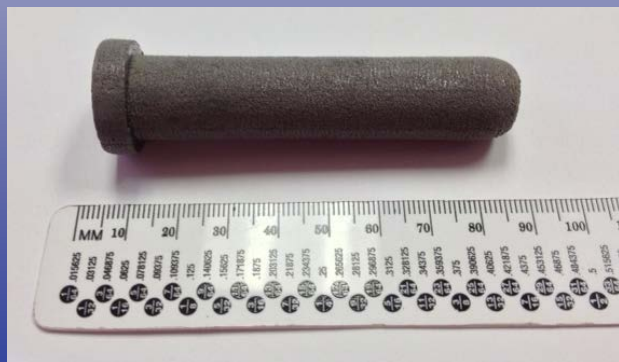
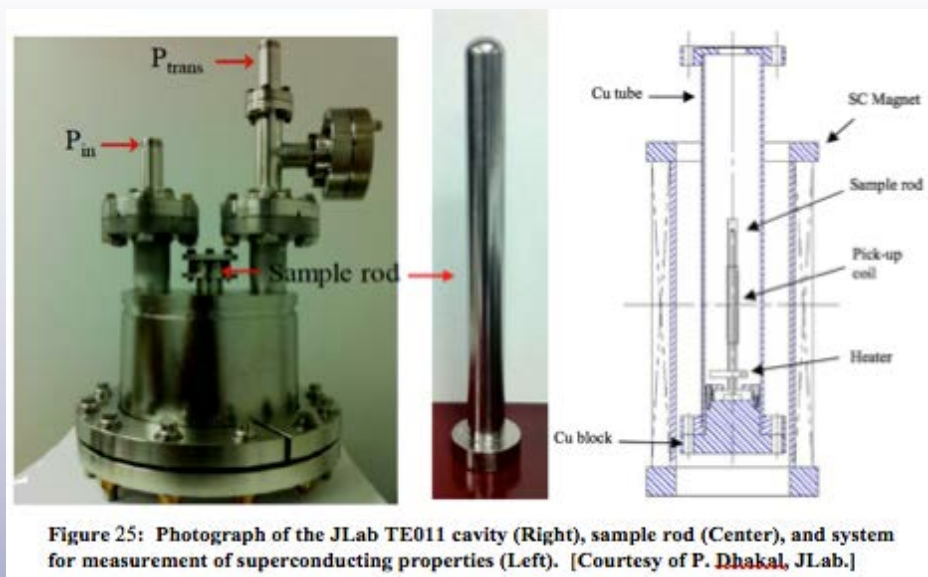


Sample ID	RRR	RRR $T_{Low}$	RRR $T_{High}$	$T_c$	$\Delta T_c$
RADB02A-SA 1	17	10	300	9.06	0.11
RADB02A-SA 2	17	10	300	9.19	0.05
RADB02A-SB 1	18	10	300	9.06	0.06
RADB02A-SB 2	18	10	300	9.21	0.09
RADB02A-BC 1	18	10	300	9.10	0.08
RADB02A-BD 1	17	10	300	9.12	0.11
RADB02A-BD 2	17	10	300	9.18	0.08
RADB02B-SA 1	17	10	300	9.05	0.06
RADB02B-SA 2	18	10	300	9.14	0.17
RADB02B-SB 1	17	10	300	9.07	0.09
RADB02B-SB 2	16	10	300	9.16	0.05
RADB02B-BC 1	18	10	300	9.05	0.12
RADB02B-BC 2	18	10	300	9.19	0.06
RADB02B-BD 1	17	10	300	9.04	0.14
RADB02B-BD 2	17	10	300	9.18	0.08

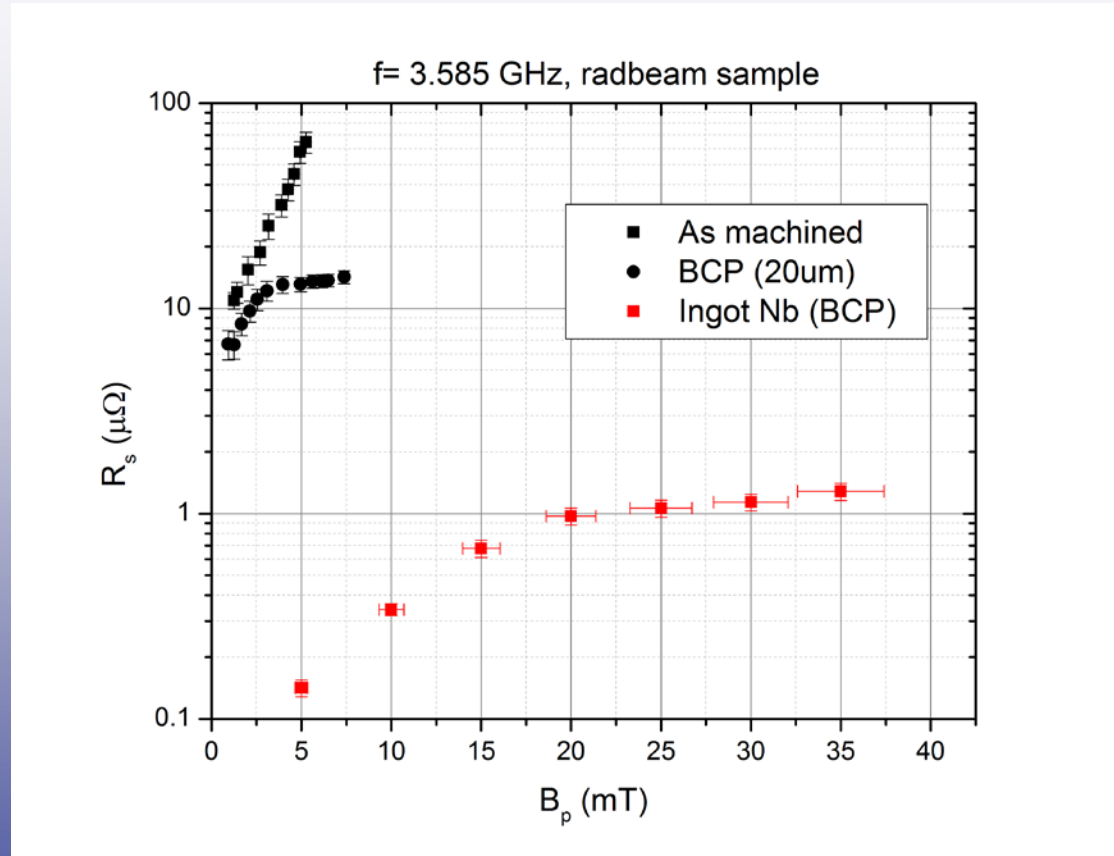
Sample	RRR by R/R	RRR Low	RRR High	$T_c$ (K)	Delta $T_c$ (K)
		Temperatur e (K)	Temperatur e (K)		
RADB02A-SB PA	44	10.4	300.0	9.15	0.08

# SRF Testing

- JLab TE011 cavity employs the removable probe as the center conductor in the coaxial resonator
  - Surface resistance
  - Quench field
  - Compare to wrought Nb
- Probe was EBMed and successfully leak checked
- Tested at JLab



# Preliminary results





# EBM SRF Component Prototypes

Fermilab: 3.9 GHz, 3<sup>rd</sup> Harmonic SRF Cavity Drawings – Rev. B  
2/8/2006

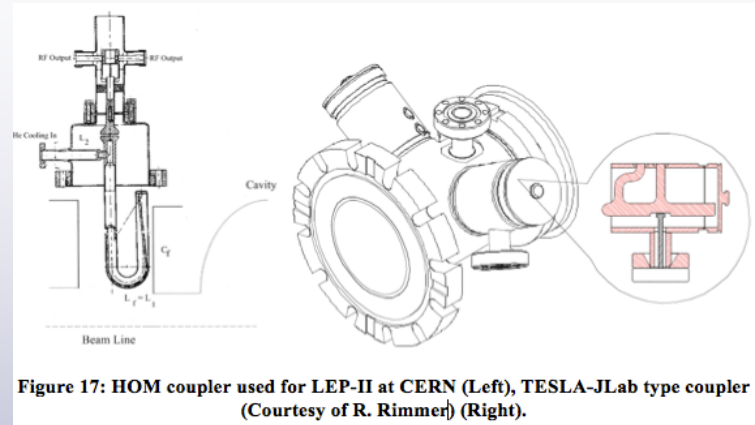
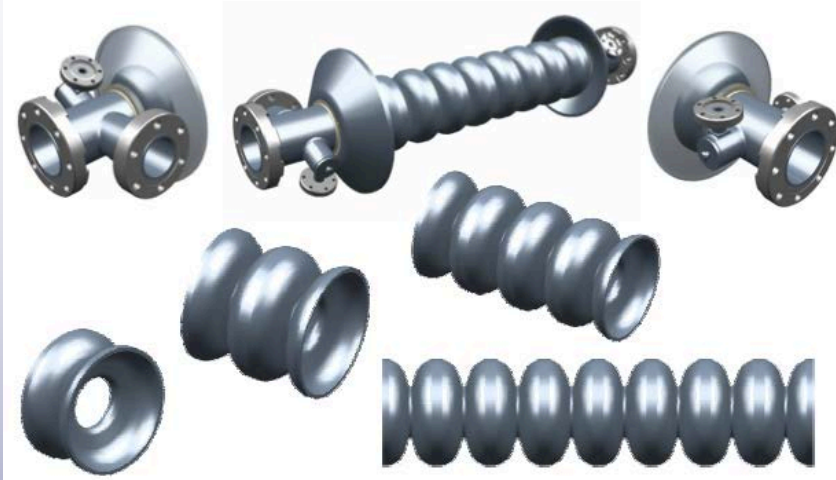
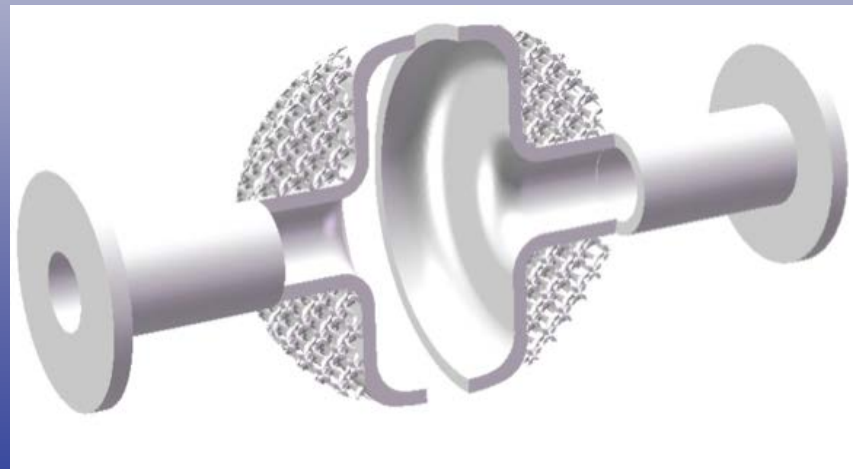
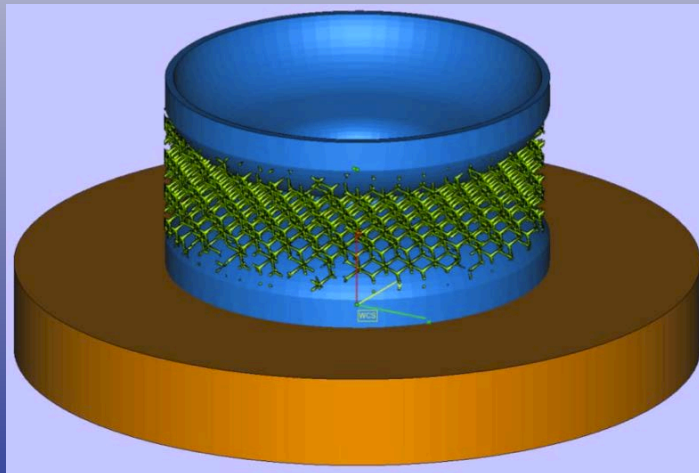
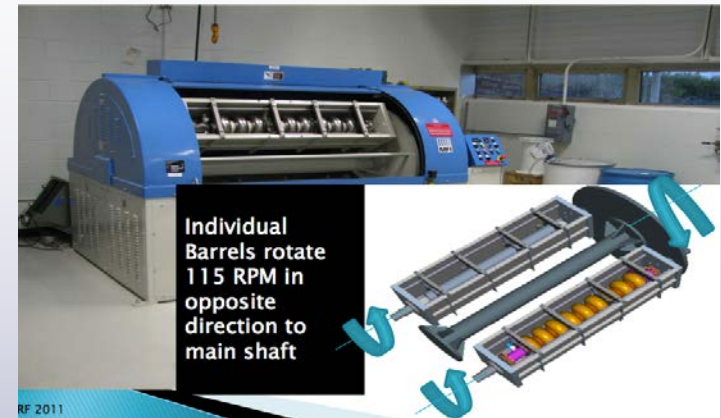


Figure 17: HOM coupler used for LEP-II at CERN (Left), TESLA-JLab type coupler (Courtesy of R. Rimmer) (Right).



# Challenges (Opportunities)

- Improving as-EBM material quality
  - More parameter optimization near SRF surface(s)
- As-EBM part is rough, “near-net-shape”
  - Improve as-EBM surface roughness;  $\sim Ra\ 10\mu m$
  - Centripetal Barrel Polishing (CBP)
  - Laser polishing?
- Size
  - Relatively small (effective) build envelope ( $\sim 200\text{ mm dia.} \times 200\text{mm}$ )
- Dedicated Nb EBM machine?



## Arcam Q10 - Highlights



- 30% higher productivity
- 30% improved resolution
- Closed powder handling
- Quality verification with Arcam LayerQam™
- Software adapted to volume production

# Thank you!



- Questions?

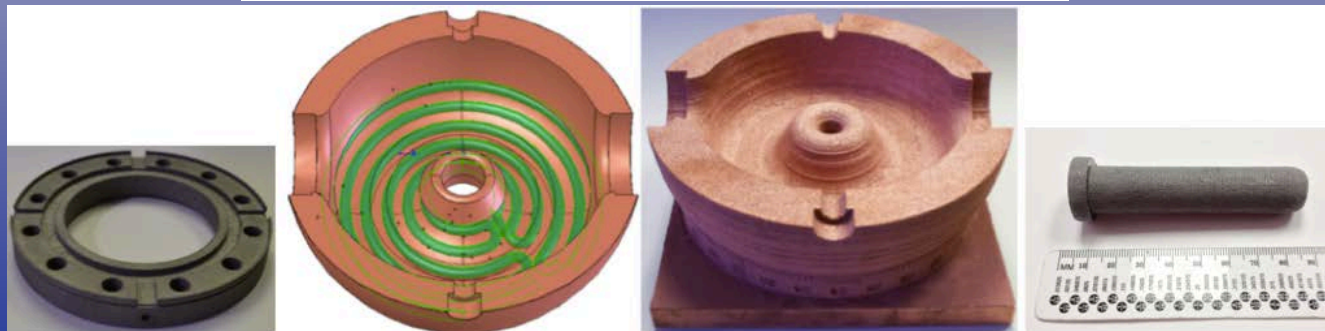
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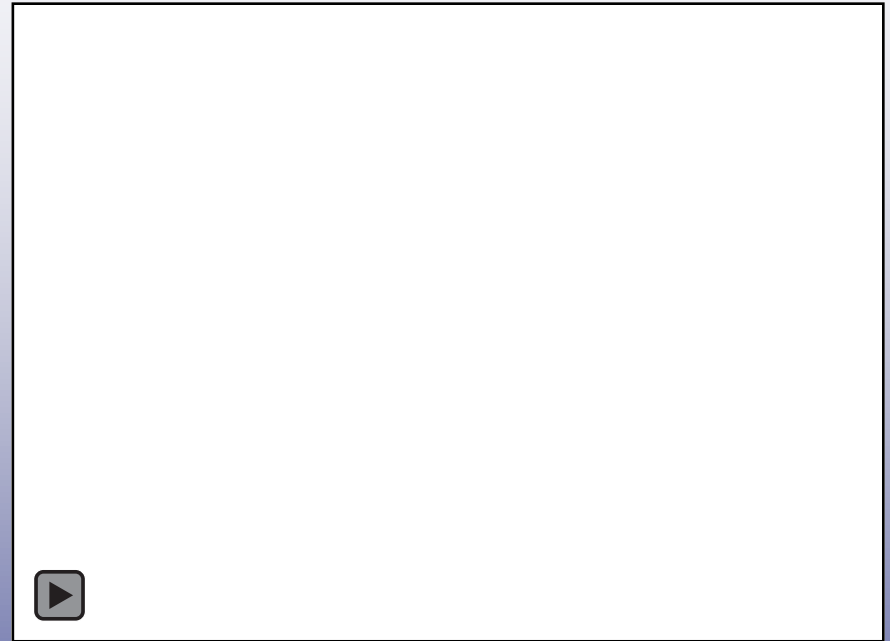
# EBM material development summary

	EBM Ti6Al4V [i]	Wrought Ti6Al4V (ASTM F1472)	EBM Copper	Wrought C10100 Cu	EBM (reactor grade) Nb	Wrought Reactor Grade Nb
Density	>99.9%	-	8.84 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	8.90 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	8.55 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	8.57 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Electrical Conductivity @ 20° C	-	-	97 % IACS	102 % IACS	-	-
RRR	-	-	-	-	19	40
Thermal Conductivity (@ 21° C)	-	-	390 W/m*K	391 W/m*K	50 W/m*K	53.7 W/m*k
YS (Rp 0.2)	950 MPa	860 MPa	76 MPa	69 MPa	135 MPa	110 MPa
UTS (Rm)	1020 MPa	930 MPa	172 MPa	220 MPa	225 MPa	226 MPa
Elongation	14 %	> 10%	-	-	35 %	50 %
Reduction Area	40%	> 25%	-	-	-	-
Fatigue strength @ 600 MPa	>10M cycles	-	-	-	-	-
Hardness	33 HRC	-	-	-	-	-
Modulus of Elasticity	120 GPa	-	-	-	-	-

i Arcam T64 Material Data Sheet, (<http://www.arcam.com/CommonResources/Files/www.arcam.com/Documents/EBM%20Materials/Arcam-Ti6Al4V-Titanium-Alloy.pdf>)



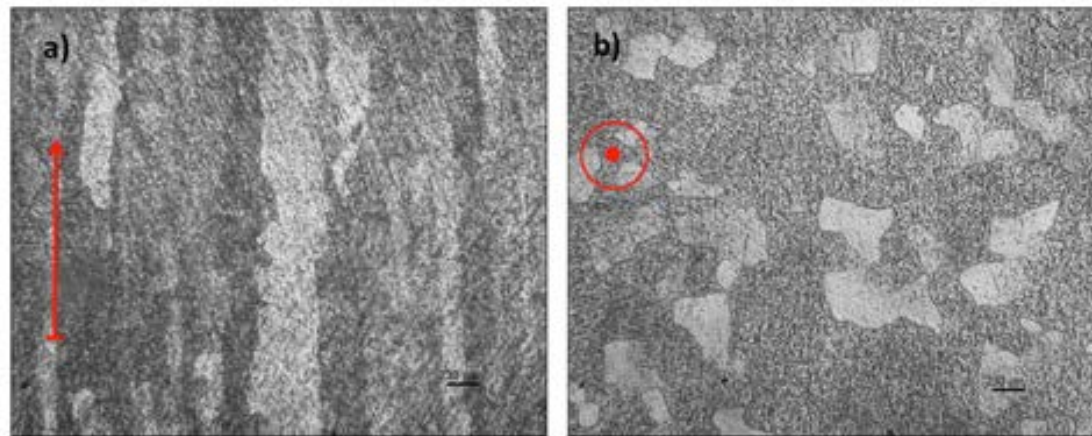
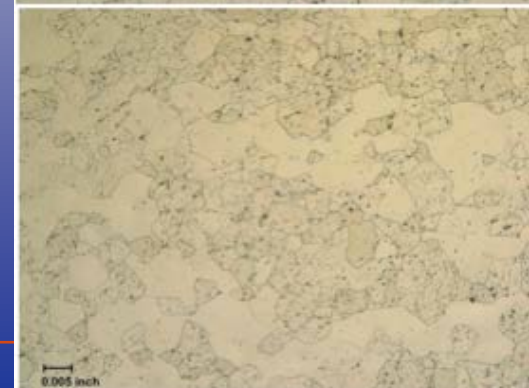
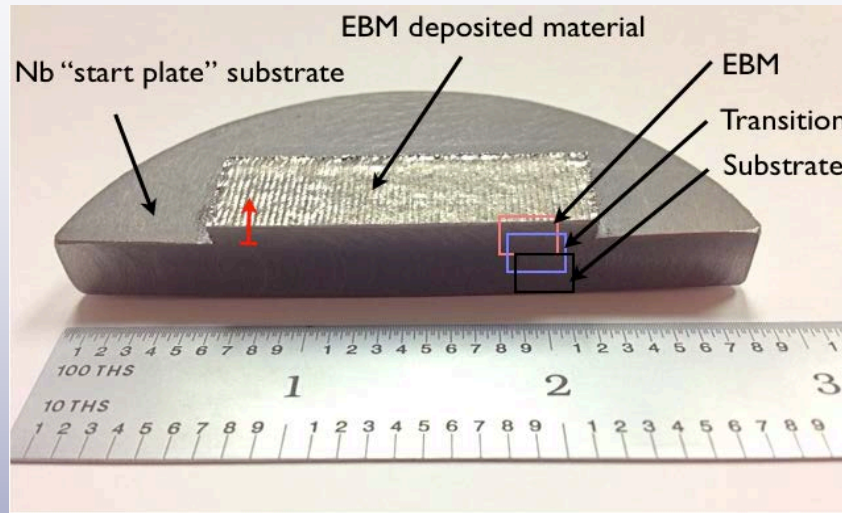
- Commercialized by ARCAM AB (Sweden) ~ 2000
- First machine sold in the US to NCSU in 2003
- Today ~ 100 machines in the US
- ~ 6 machines in academic institutions (2 at NCSU, 2 in UTEP)
- ORNL's MDF partner with Arcam in 2012



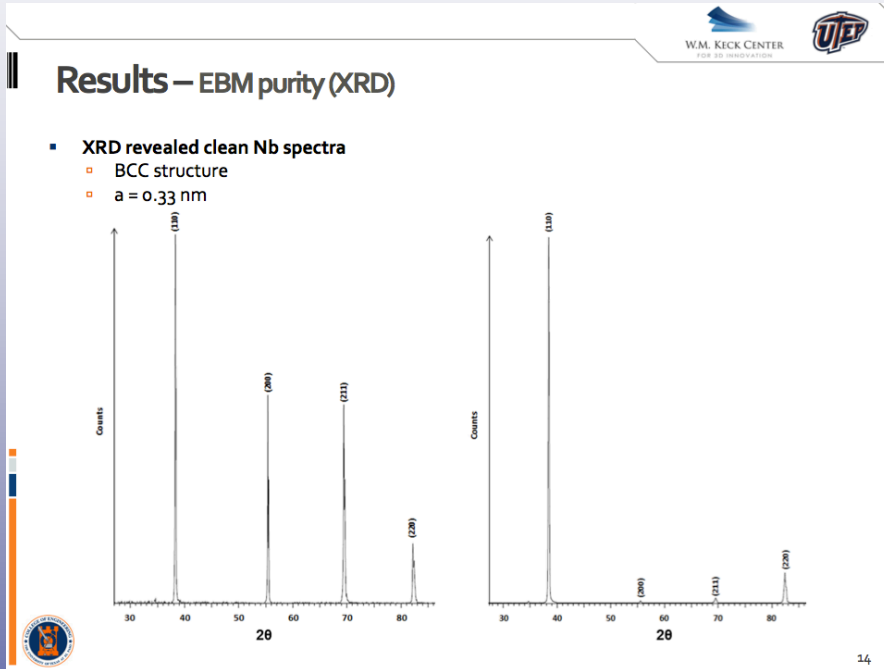
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# Material testing



**Figure 9:** Vertical (a) and horizontal (b) micrographs of the EBM niobium showing elongated and irregular grains respectively, when etched with 1 part HF and 4 parts of HNO<sub>3</sub>. The arrow depicts the build direction, and the scale shown is 230  $\mu$ m.



	Feedstock Niobium (Reactor Grade - Type 1)	Phase-I EBM Niobium	Phase-II EBM Niobium
Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	8.57	8.40 - 8.51	> 8.55
RRR	40 - 50	18-19	17-18
Thermal Conductivity (W/m*K)	53.7	-	50
YS (Rp 0.2) MPa	110	-	135
UTS (Rm) MPa	226	-	225
Elongation	50 %	-	35 %
Fatigue strength @ 600 MPa	-	-	In process
Vickers Hardness (GPa)	0.76 - 1.3	0.82 - 0.86	0.90 - 0.95



# Project Schedule

