

# In-situ Optical Monitoring of Operating Gas Turbine Blade Coatings Under Extreme Environments

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# Key goals and objectives

- Develop and demonstrate at the laboratory scale an advanced optical suite of instrumentation technologies for enhanced monitoring of gas turbine thermal barrier coatings (TBCs) **+ one-year extension assigned for the deployment of the instrumentation on an engine rig for in-situ phosphor thermometry.**
  - Achieve intelligent sensing that leverages intrinsic properties of coatings and dopants through optical emission and absorption characteristics while ensuring coating integrity and durability goals are concurrently met.
  - Achieve accurate diagnostics of turbine blade coatings under operating environments.
  - Achieve advances in benchmarked optical measurement technologies in existing laboratory replicated environments.

## Project Tasks (Tasks 1-5: Oct 2017 – Oct 2020, + Task 6: Oct 2020 – Oct 2021)

**Task 1:** Project Management & Planning

**Task 2:** Define and manufacture sensor configuration

**Task 3:** Establish Sensing Properties and Characterize Coating Response for Luminescence Based Sensor

**Task 4:** Perform Non-Intrusive Benchmarking Measurements of Surface Temperature and Strain

**Task 5:** Develop and Test Laboratory Scale Sensor Instrumentation Package

**Task 6:** Instrumentation adaptation to engine rig

# Overview of project advancement and results

- **Background, Motivations & Objectives**

- Thermal Barrier Coatings and their benefits
- Need for **higher accuracy of temperature measurements**
- Need for **improving methods for coating damage monitoring**

- **Phosphor Thermometry experimentation**

- Phosphor Thermometry system setup
- Decay and intensity results on an innovative co-doped YSZ:Er,Eu coating
- Sub-surface measurements on YSZ:Er
- Adaptation to engine rig

- **Coating damage monitoring**

- Coating delamination monitoring concept
- Modeling results
- Experimental results
- Luminescence trade-offs and coating optimization

- **Conclusions and perspectives**

# Background, Motivations & Objectives

# Thermal Barrier Coatings (TBCs)

- Thermal barrier coatings (TBCs) used in combination with air cooling to protect metal substrates from extreme temperatures in the high-pressure turbine (1300 - 1600°C)

Clarke, D (2012). *MRS Bulletin*, 37(10), 891-898

- Air film cooling:  $\Delta T = -100$  to  $-400^\circ\text{C}$

Kotowicz, J, et al. *Archives of Thermodynamics* 37.4 (2016): 19-35

- TBC:  $\Delta T = -150$  to  $-200^\circ\text{C}$  [3,4,5,6]**

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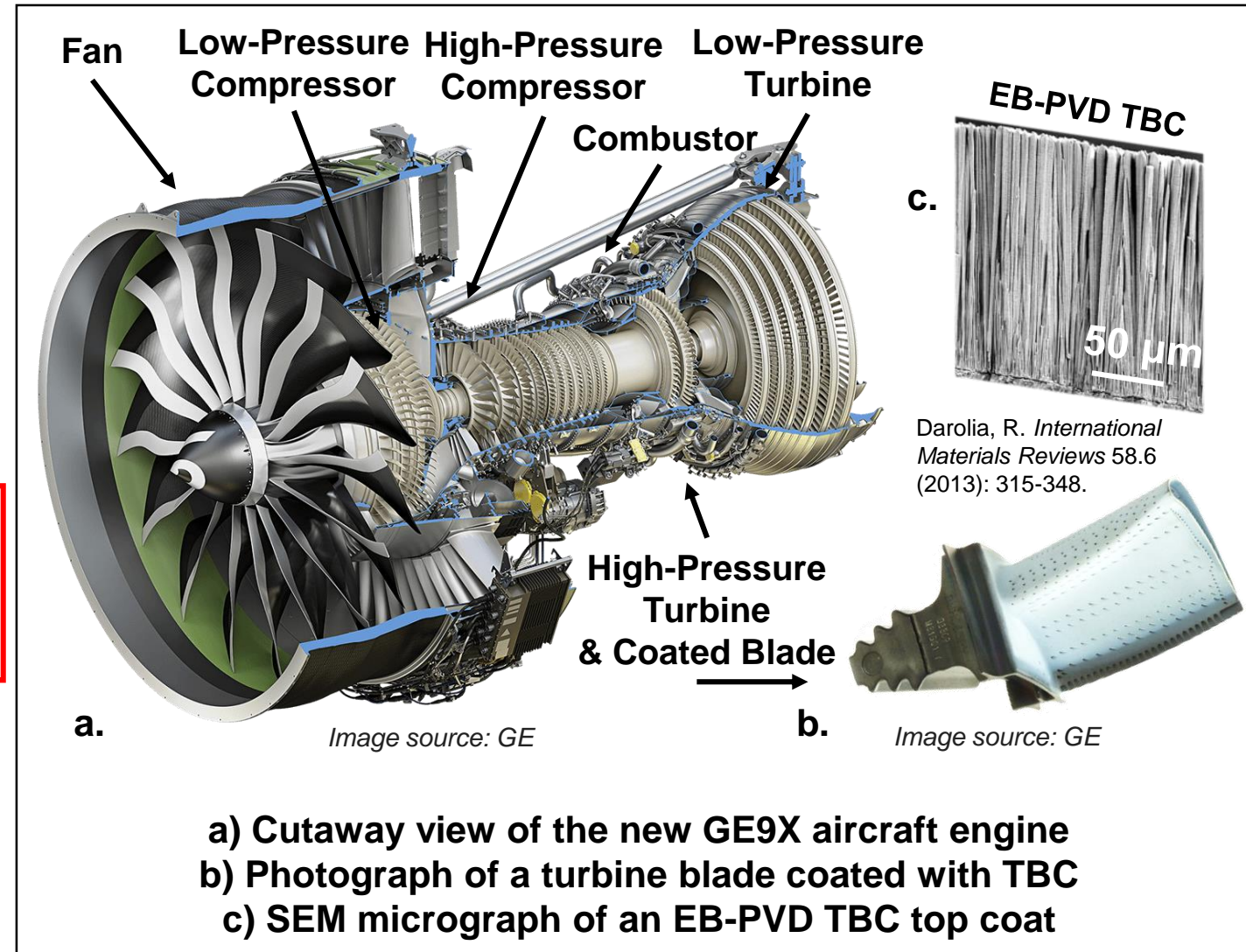
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Xu, Li, et al. *Procedia Engineering* 99 (2015): 1482-1491.

- Major applications:

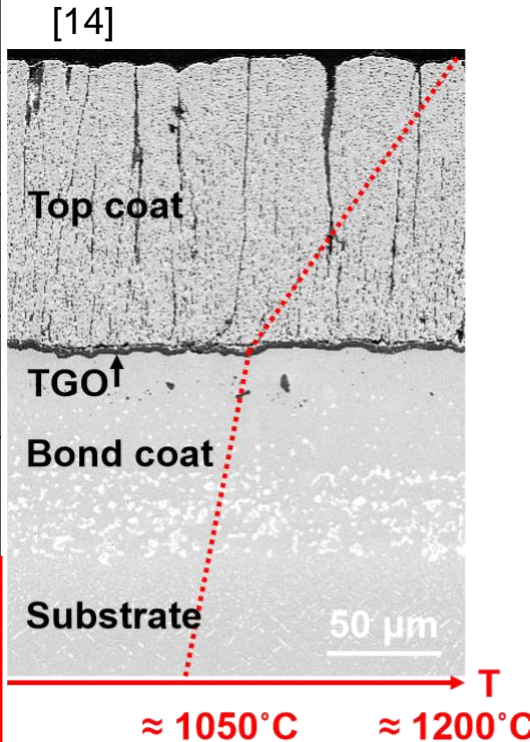
- Aeroengines
- Power generation engines





# Review of TBC materials properties

TBC layer Typical composition	Top coat 7-8wt.%YSZ	TGO Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Bond coat NiCrAlY / PtAl
Thermal conductivity $\lambda$ at 1100°C (W/(m·K ))	1-3 [1,2,4,5]	5-6 [4,6]	34 [5]
Coefficient of thermal expansion $\alpha$ (×10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> )	11-13 [3,4,7,8]	7-10 [3,7,8,9]	13-16 [3,7,8,9]
Elastic modulus (GPa)	0-100 [13]	320-434 [3,7,8,9]	110-240 [3,7,9]
Toughness K (MPa· √m)	0.7-2.2 [7,10]	2.8-3.2 [7,11]	>20 [7]
Poisson's ratio $\nu$	0.2 [8]	0.2-0.25 [8,9]	0.3-0.33 [8,9]
Oxygen diffusivity at 1000°C (m <sup>2</sup> /s)	10 <sup>-11</sup> [4]	10 <sup>-19</sup> -10 <sup>-21</sup> [4,6]	-
Crystal microstructure (phase) Stable up to	$t'$ 1200°C [12]	$\alpha$ 1750°C	$\beta, \gamma$ 1050°C



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[2] Nicholls, John R., et al. *Surface and Coatings Technology* 151 (2002): 383-391.

[3] Liu, Jing., *PhD dissertation University of Central Florida* (2007).

[4] Lee, Woo Y., et al. *Journal of the American Ceramic Society* 79.12 (1996): 3003-3012.

[5] Lim, Geunsik, and Aravinda Kar. *Journal of Physics D: Applied Physics* 42.15 (2009): 155412.

[6] Steenbakker, Remy. *PhD dissertation Cranfield University*, (2008).

[7] Rabiei, et al. *Acta materialia* 48.15 (2000): 3963-3976.

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[9] Busso, E., et al. *Acta materialia* 55.5 (2007): 1491-1503.

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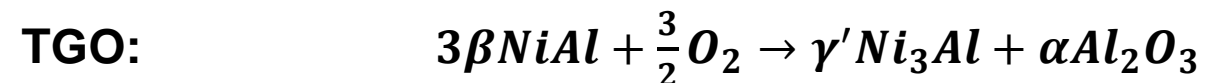
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# TGO formation in TBCs

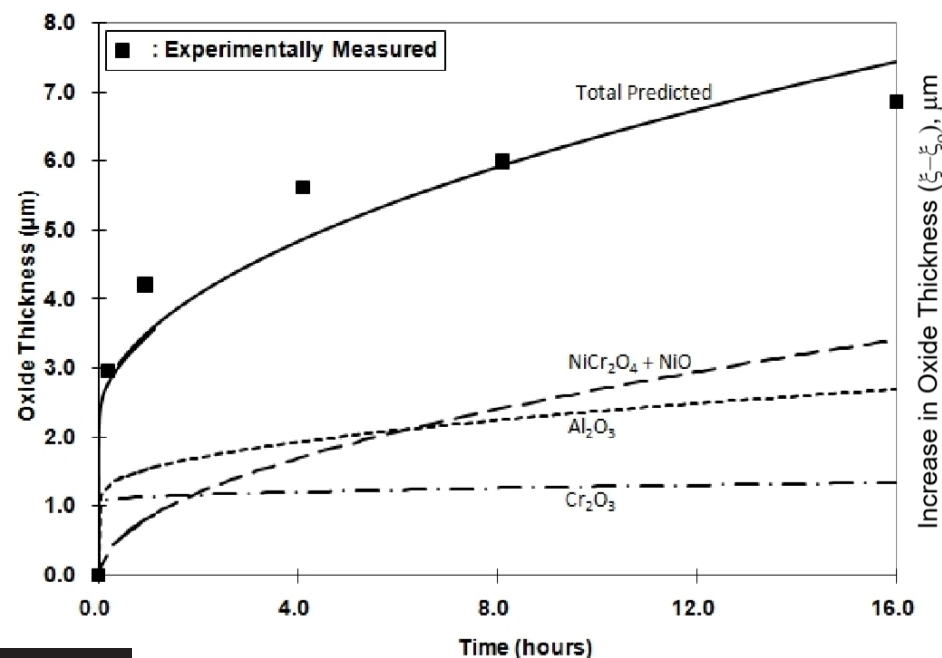
## Importance of controlling the operating temperature

- Logarithmic growth limited by the low oxygen diffusivity through the

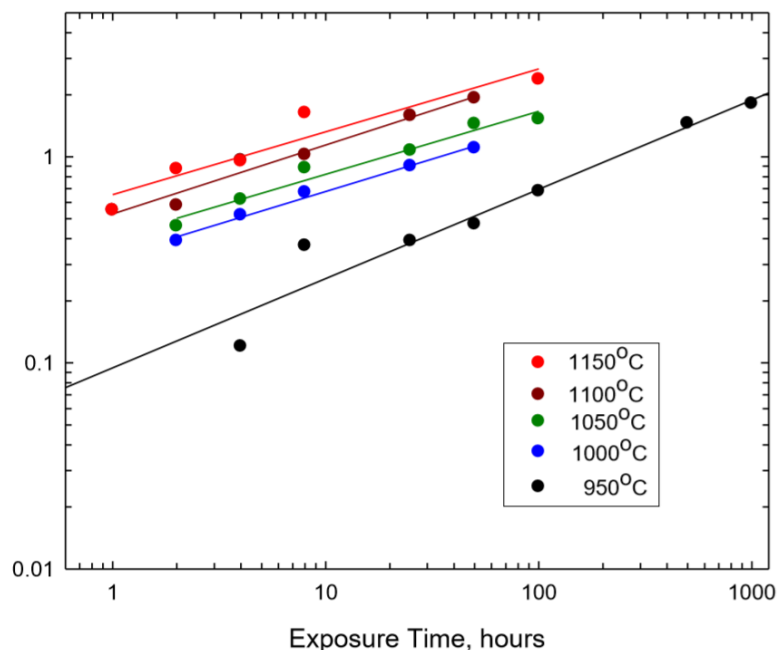


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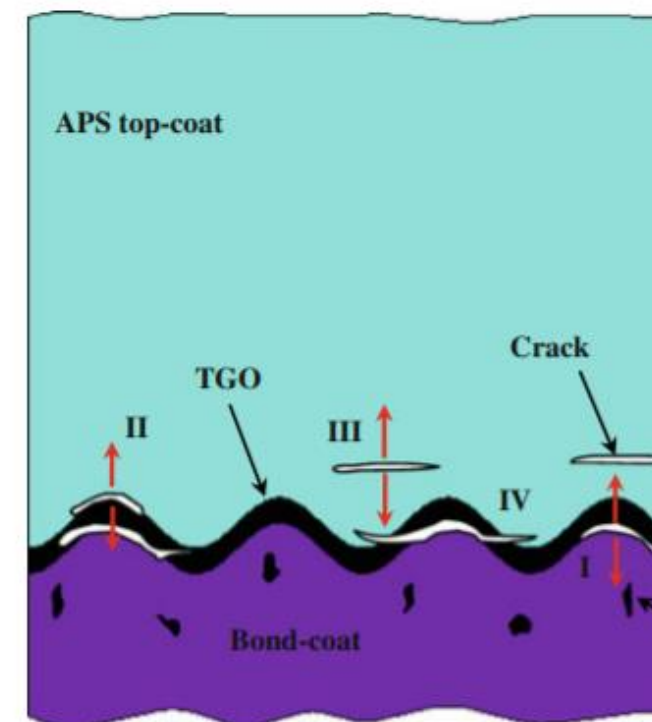
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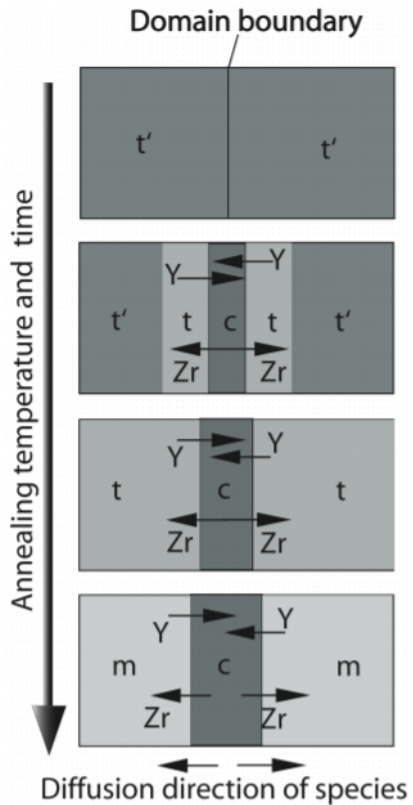
**Temperature drives oxide growth in TBCs and is a key factor in coating failure**

# Phase stability in Thermal Barrier Coatings (TBCs)

## Importance of controlling the operating temperature

- **Standard top coat material:** 7-8wt.% (4-4.5 mol.%) YSZ optimal for resistance to spallation and thermal stability Patnaik, P. et al, National Research Council Of Canada Ottawa, Ontario (2006)

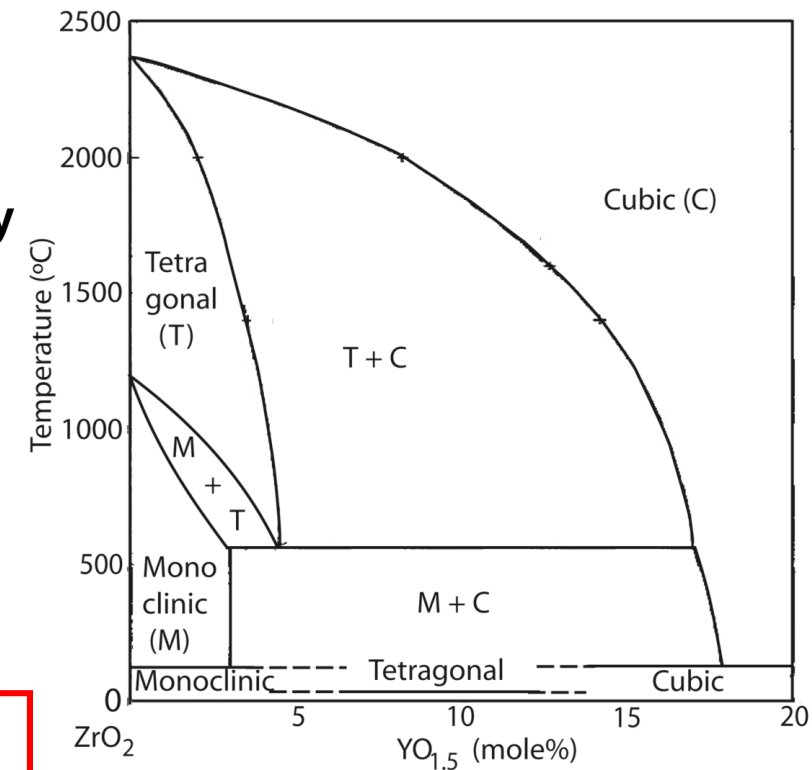
- **Y<sup>3+</sup> introduces oxygen vacancies that stabilizes  $t'$**



Witz, G., et al. *Advanced Ceramic Coatings and Interfaces II: Ceramic and Engineering Science Proceedings*, Volume 28, Issue 3 (2007): 39-51.

- **High temperature sintering of  $t'$ -YSZ:**
  - **Pore coarsening → thermal conductivity increase** Guignard, A. Vol. 141. Forschungszentrum, Jülich, (2012).
  - **Crack forming**
- **$t'$  phase stable up to 1200°C:**
- $t' \xrightarrow{1200^\circ\text{C}} t + c \xrightarrow[600^\circ\text{C}]{\Delta V = +4\%} m + c$

**Accurate control of TBC operating temperature is needed to control degradation of coatings.**



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# Significance of TBC temperature measurements

- State-of-the-art TBCs are not being used to their highest potential because of uncertainties in temperature measurements at high-temperature.

- Safety margins as high as 200°C are used.

Steenbakker, R, (2009) *Journal of Engineering for Gas Turbine and Power*, 131-4 p 041301

- Ideal Brayton cycle efficiency:  $\eta = 1 - \frac{T_c}{T_t}$   
 $\eta$ : cycle efficiency,  $\frac{T_c}{T_t}$ : temperature ratio compressor exit / turbine inlet.

- 1% efficiency improvement can save \$20m in fuel over the combined-cycle plant life.
- A 130°C increase leads to a 4% increase in engine efficiency.

Ruud, J, (2003). *Performance of the Third*, 50 pp 950-4.

- Failure mechanisms are driven by temperature conditions in the depth of the TBC.

## Problem statement:

Accurate determination of thermal gradients in Thermal Barrier Coatings (TBCs) is critical for the safe and efficient operation of gas turbine engines.

Failure mechanisms are thermally activated during engine operation, uncertainty in temperature measurements contribute significantly to lifetime uncertainty.

# Measurement techniques for *in-situ* temperature evaluation of TBCs

	Thermocouples	Infrared Thermometry	Phosphor Thermometry
<b>Temperature range (°C)</b>	-250 – 2320	-50 – 2000	-250 – 1700
<b>Advantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inexpensive</li> <li>- Wide temperature range</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wide temperature range</li> <li>- Non contact method</li> <li>- Fast response time</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Non contact method</b></li> <li>- <b>High sensitivity at high temperatures</b></li> <li>- <b>Fast response time</b></li> <li>- <b>Usable on rotating parts</b></li> <li>- <b>Low sensitivity to turbine environment (aging and contamination)</b></li> </ul>
<b>Drawbacks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Intrusive probe</li> <li>- Disrupts flow patterns</li> <li>- Not chemically stable in all environments</li> <li>- Low accuracy</li> <li>- Unusable on rotating surfaces</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Optical access required</li> <li>- Sensitive to stray light (flames)</li> <li>- Sensitive to emissivity variations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Optical access required</li> <li>- Signal weakening at high temperatures</li> </ul>



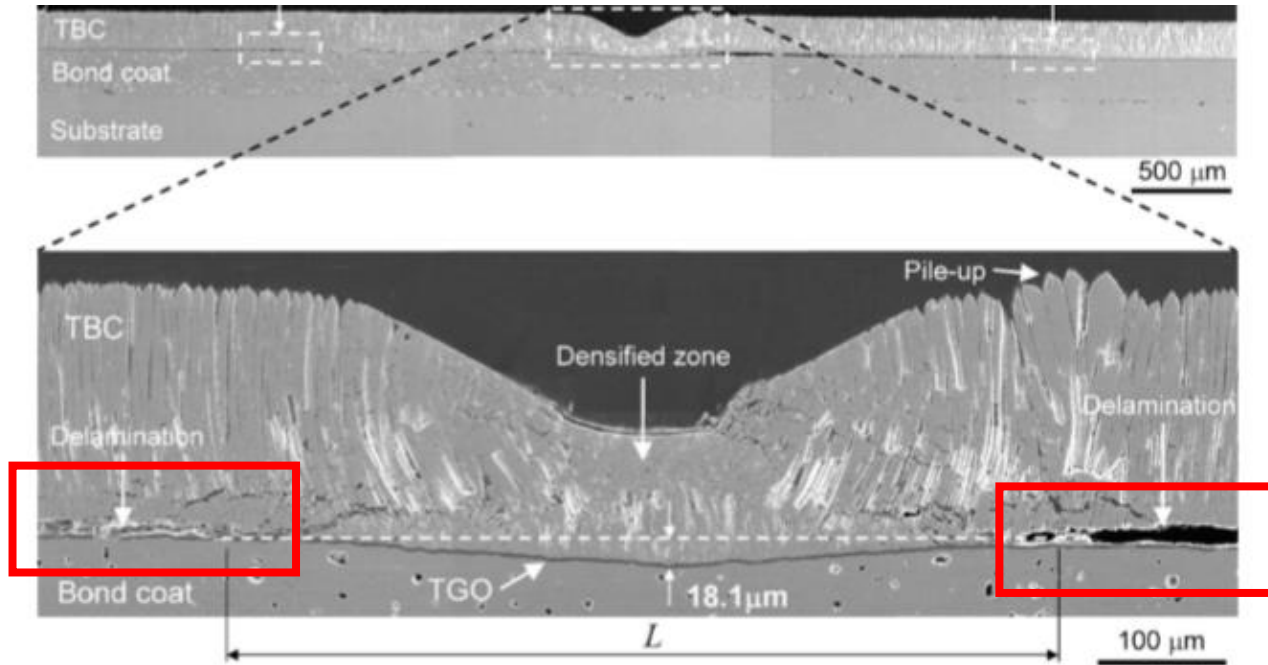
**Gas turbine efficiency**



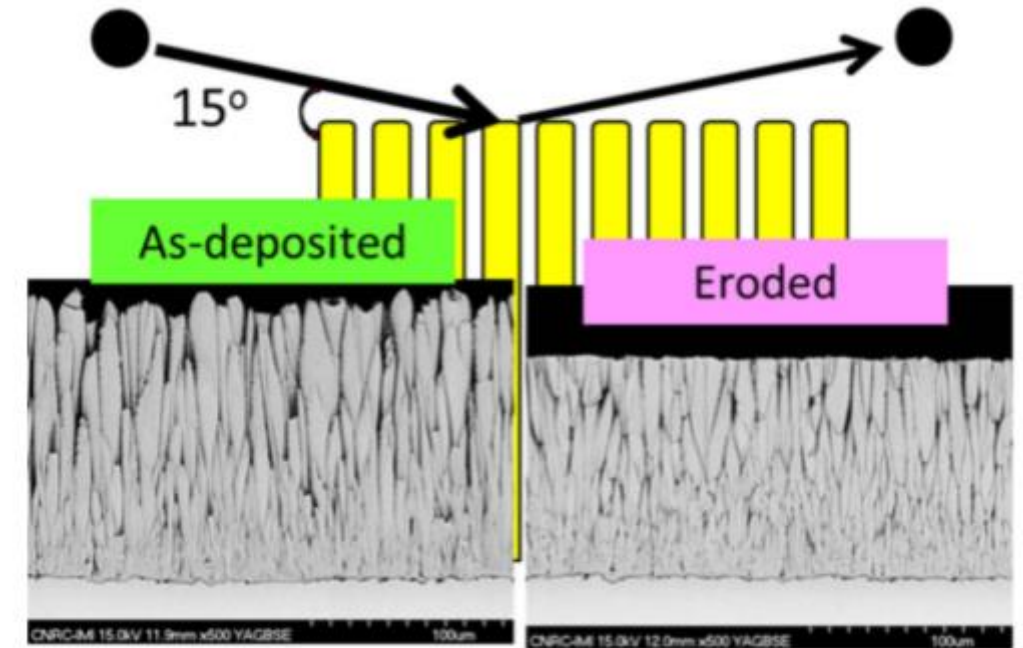
**Components lifetime**

# Other critical failure mechanisms: Foreign object damage / Erosion

## Importance of controlling coating health



Tanaka, Makoto, Yu-Fu Liu, and Yutaka Kagawa. *Journal of Materials Research* 24.12 (2009): 3533-3542.



Lima, Rogerio S., Bruno MH Guerreiro, and Maniya Aghasibeig. *Journal of Thermal Spray Technology* 28.1-2 (2019): 223-232.

- Unpredictability of the impact damage/erosion
  - Amount of degradation
- **Importance of improving methods for detection and quantification of delamination**

# Direct damage monitoring methods

- Thermal/optical imaging techniques;
  - Infrared thermography in mid-wave or long-wave infrared, post-exposition to an intense heat source (generally a flash of light).
  - Tomography
  - Laser scattering
  - Luminescence-based mapping (in-situ or ex-situ monitoring), under excitation at specific wavelength.

## Luminescence imaging provides:

- **Finer spatial resolution**
- **Richer information through spectral features**

# Proposed solutions & key objectives

- **Better temperature control in gas turbine engines is needed to improve engine efficiency and reduce maintenance and operation costs**
  - Implementation of phosphor thermometry instrumentation with accuracy/precision improvement vs. current state-of-the-art
  - Determination of precise sub-surface location of phosphor thermometry measurement point
- **Intense operation of TBC systems result in coating failure that impacts engine availability**
  - Development of a novel approach for delamination monitoring using luminescent coatings (compatible with phosphor thermometry coatings)





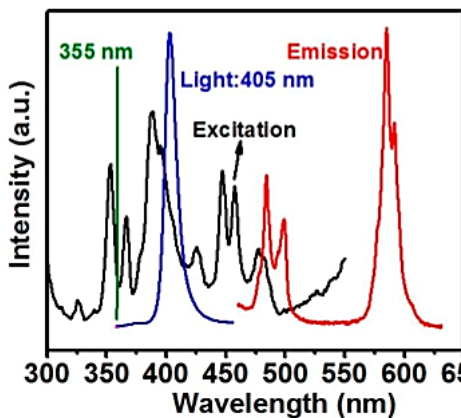
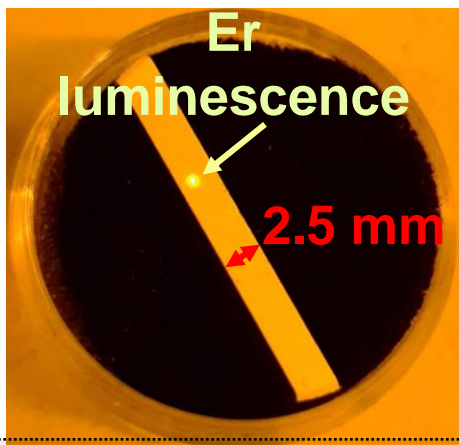
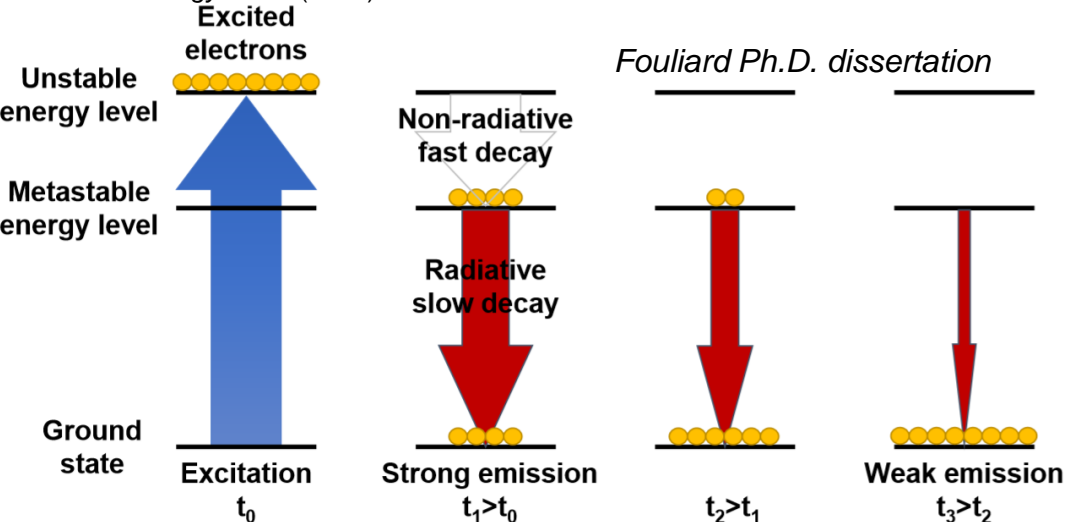
# Phosphor Thermometry measurements

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# Phosphor Thermometry – fundamentals

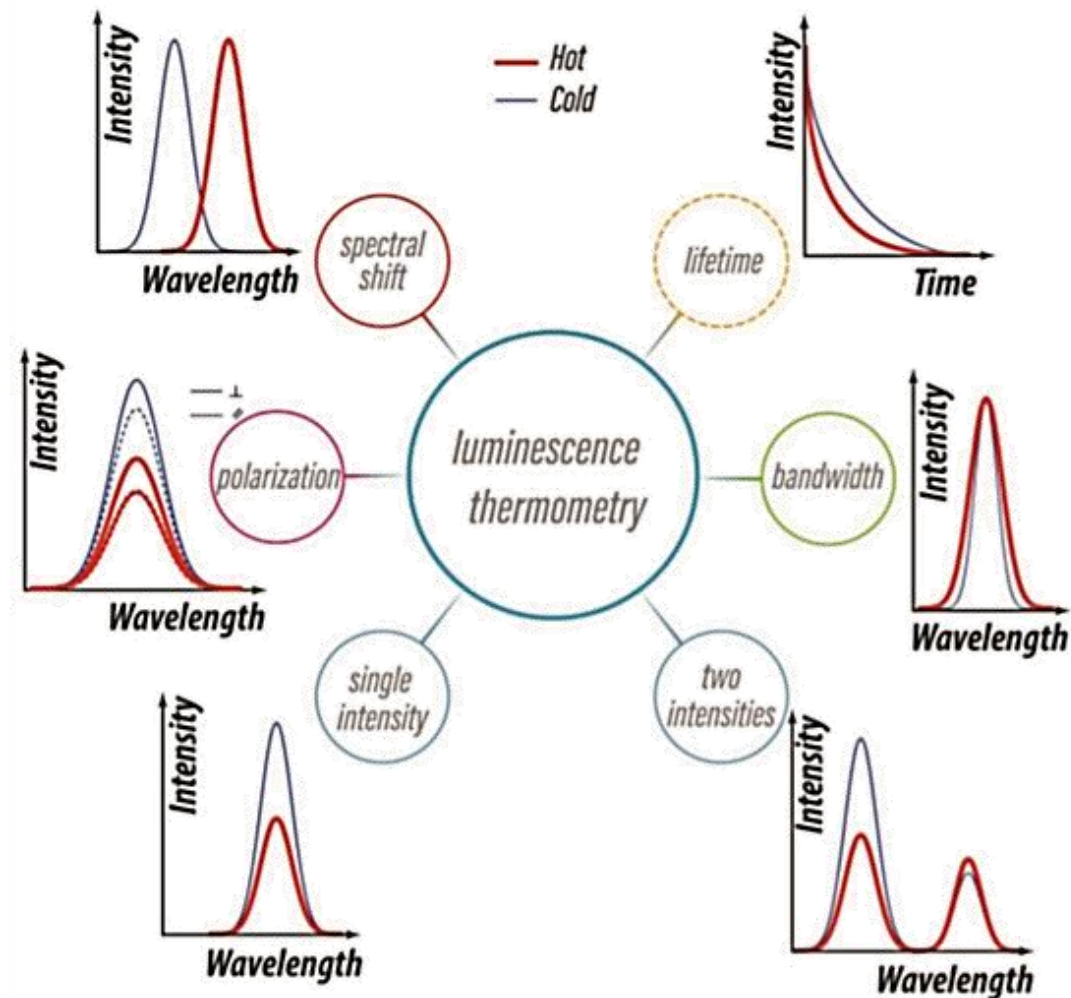
- Typical dopants are rare-earth elements and transition metals.
- Electronic configuration determines the usable excitation wavelength.
- Emission wavelength is generally longer than excitation wavelength.

Brübach et al., *Progress in Energy and Combustion Science* (2013) 39(1), pp. 37-60  
Chambers, M., and Clarke, D. *Annual Review of Materials Research* 39 (2009): 325-359.  
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Feist, J., et al. *Proceedings of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Part A: Journal of Power and Energy* 217.2 (2003): 193-200.



Absorption and emission spectrum of YSZ:Dy

Peng, Di, et al. *Sensors* 16.10 (2016): 1490.



Brites, Carlos DS, Sangeetha Balabhadra, and Luís D. Carlos. "Lanthanide-based thermometers: at the cutting-edge of luminescence thermometry." *Advanced Optical Materials* 7.5 (2019): 1801239.

## Phosphor Thermometry – intensity ratio method

- Thermal quenching and growing thermal radiation limits luminescence detection at high temperature.
- Thermal filling of the excited states

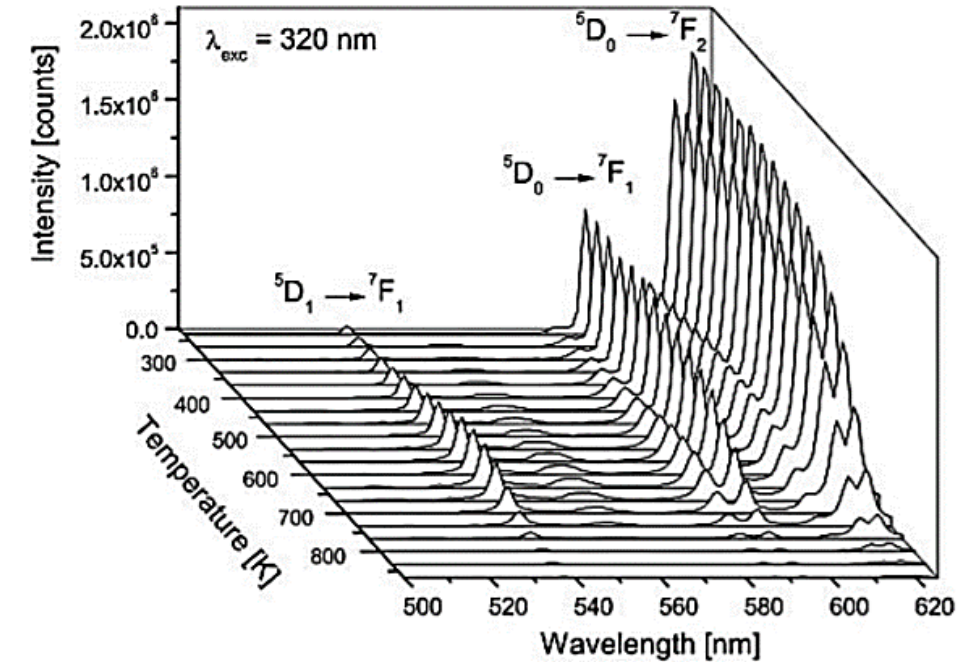
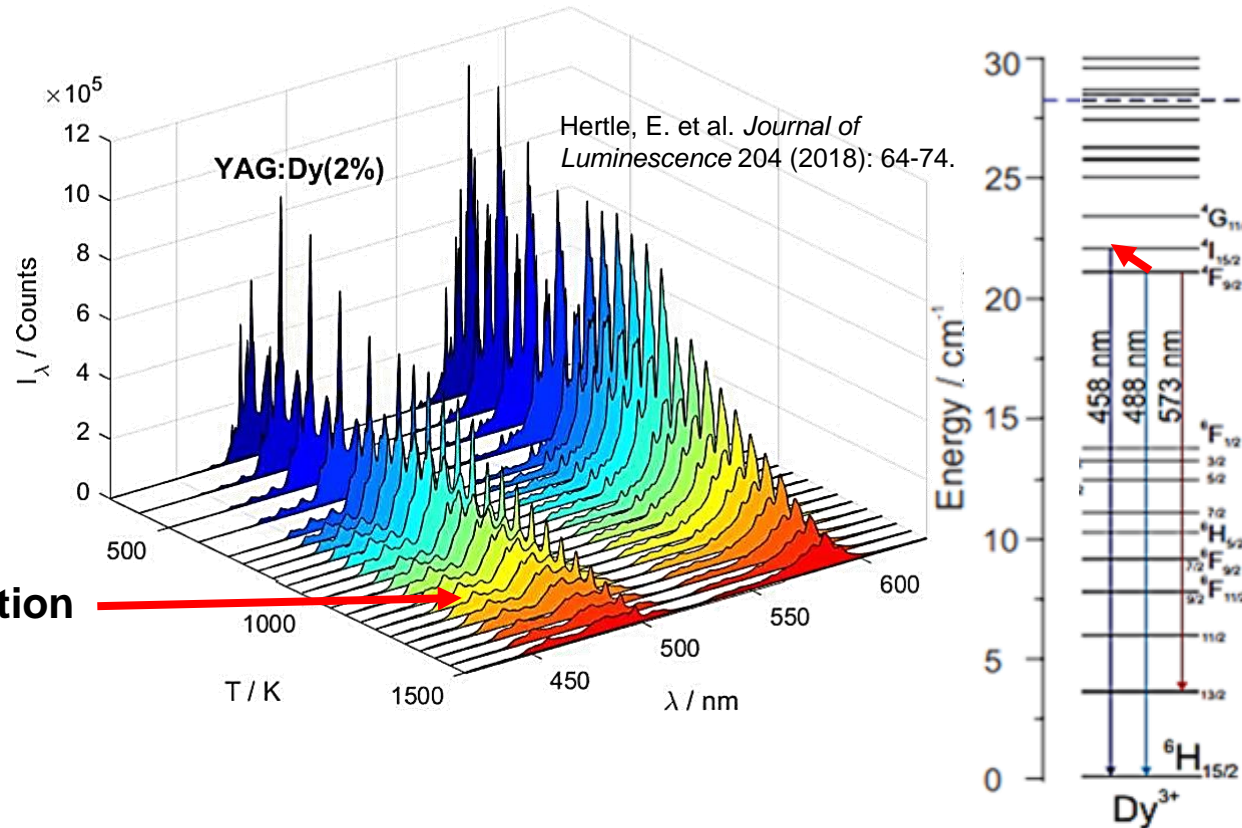


Fig. 2. Typical emission spectra of  $\text{GdVO}_4:6 \text{ mol.}\% \text{Eu}^{3+}$  sample over a temperature range of 298–823 K.

Nikolić, Marko G., Dragana J. Jovanović, and Miroslav D. Dramićanin. "Temperature dependence of emission and lifetime in Eu 3+- and Dy 3+-doped GdVO 4." *Applied optics* 52.8 (2013): 1716-1724.

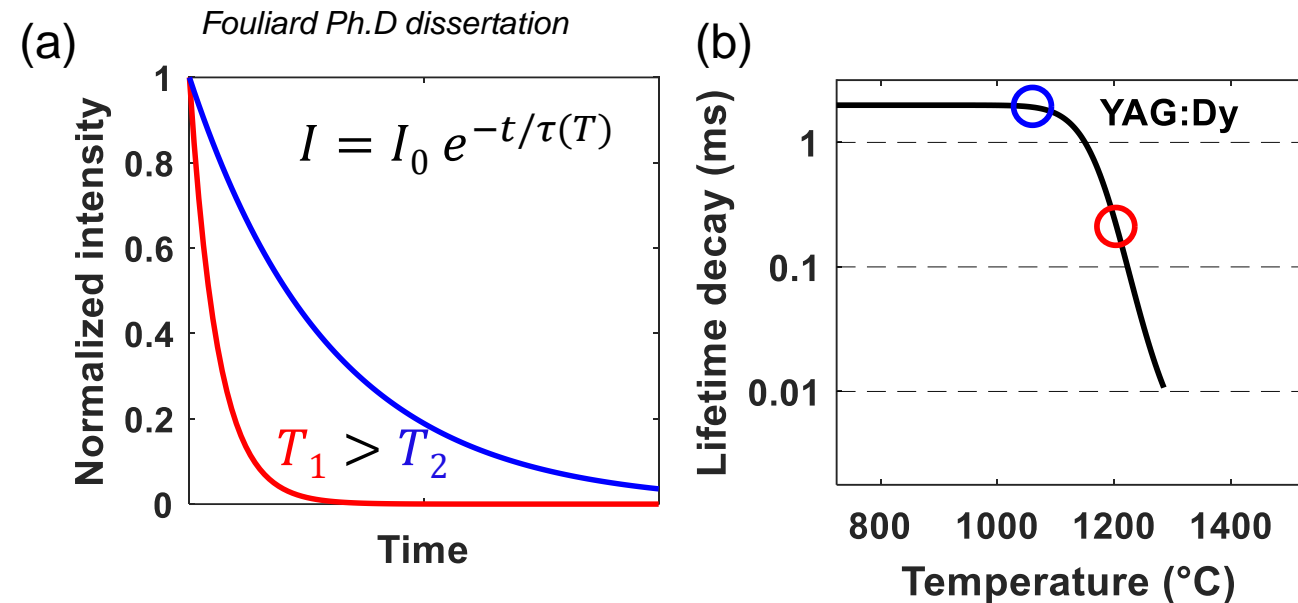
# Background - Phosphor Thermometry – luminescence decay method

- The time dependent intensity is measured following the excitation pulse to determine the temperature dependent decay time  $\tau(T)$ .

Luminescence lifetime decay:

$$\tau = \frac{1}{W_r + W_{nr}}$$

$\tau$ : lifetime decay,  
 $W_{r/nr}$ : radiative and non-radiative deexcitation rates.



Schematic of (a) Normalized intensity vs. time for temperature  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , (b) correlating decay time with temperature

- Thermal quenching accelerates decay due to higher probability of vibrational deexcitation. Knappe, C. *PhD dissertation Lund University* (2013)

Absolute sensitivity:

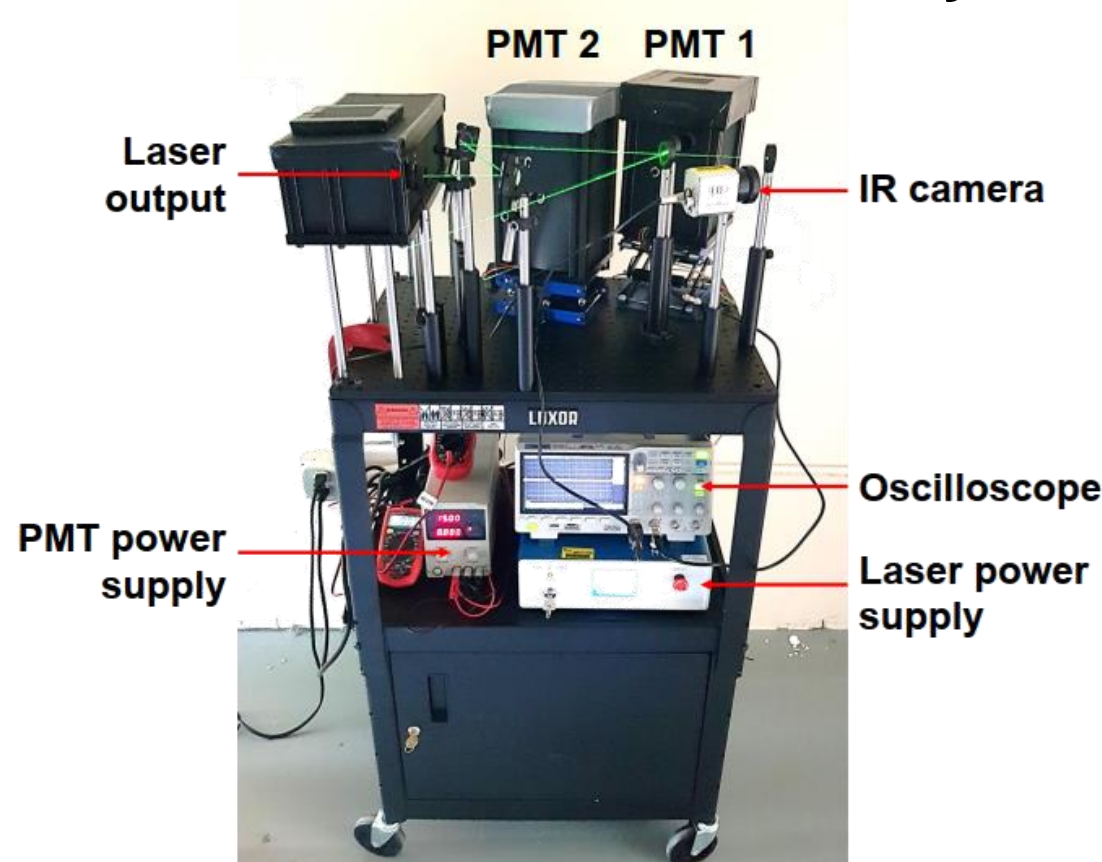
$$S_a = \left| \frac{dQ}{dT} \right|$$

Q: sensor variable ( $\tau$  or R),  
 T: temperature

- Higher sensitivity of the decay method in comparison with the intensity ratio method but often limited to a reduced temperature range. Heeg, et al. *AIP Conference Proceedings*, Vol. 1552, (2013)



# Instrumentation developed for synchronized luminescence decay collection



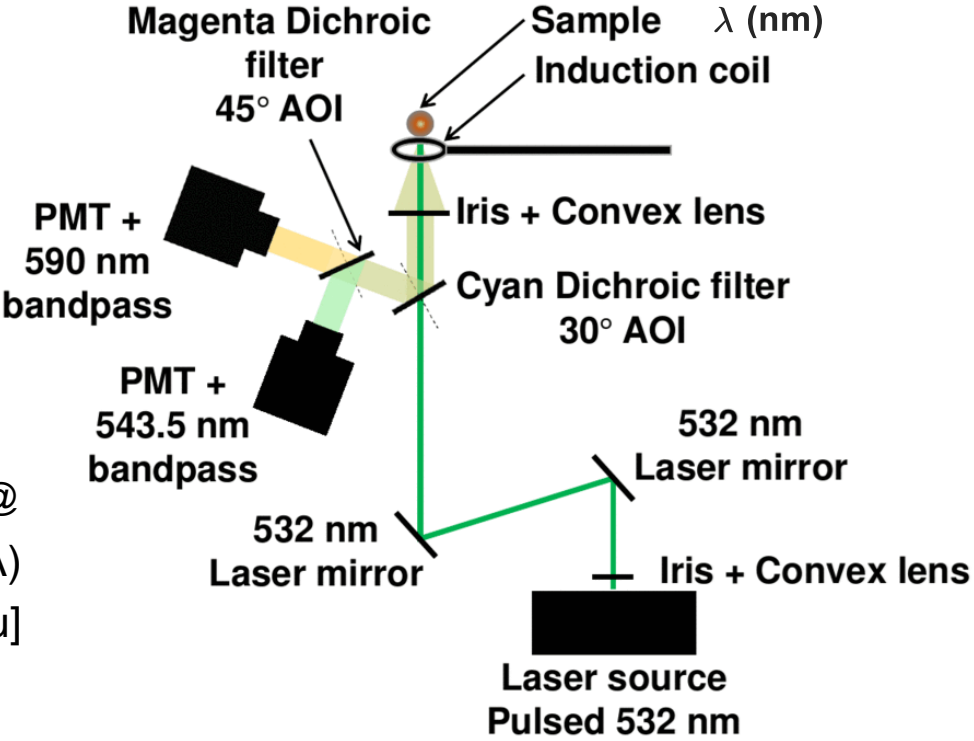
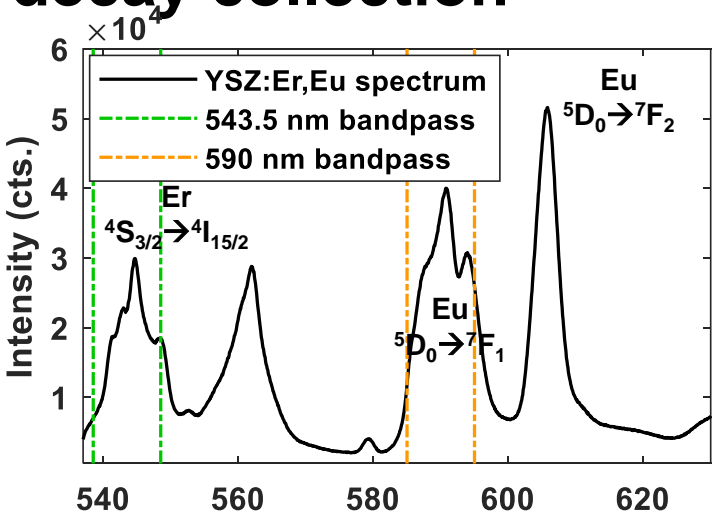
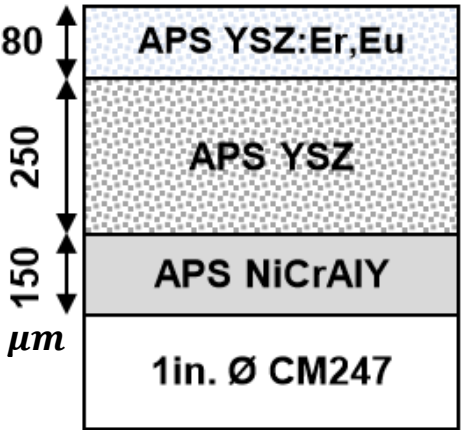
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**Parameters:**

Nd:YAG 532 nm  
0.5 mJ pulse  
10 Hz  
20 ns pulse duration

**Sample:**

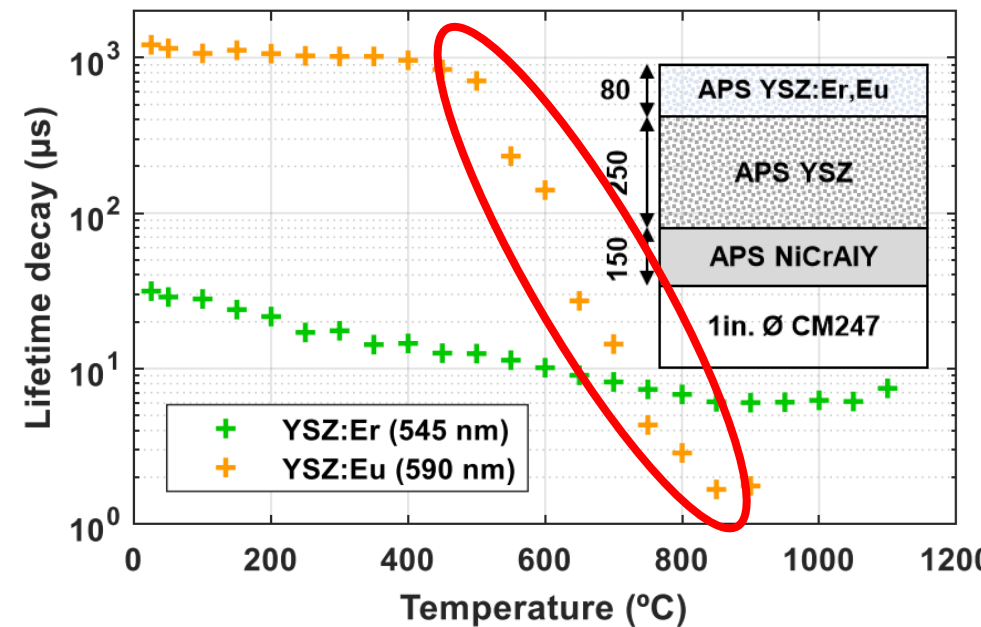
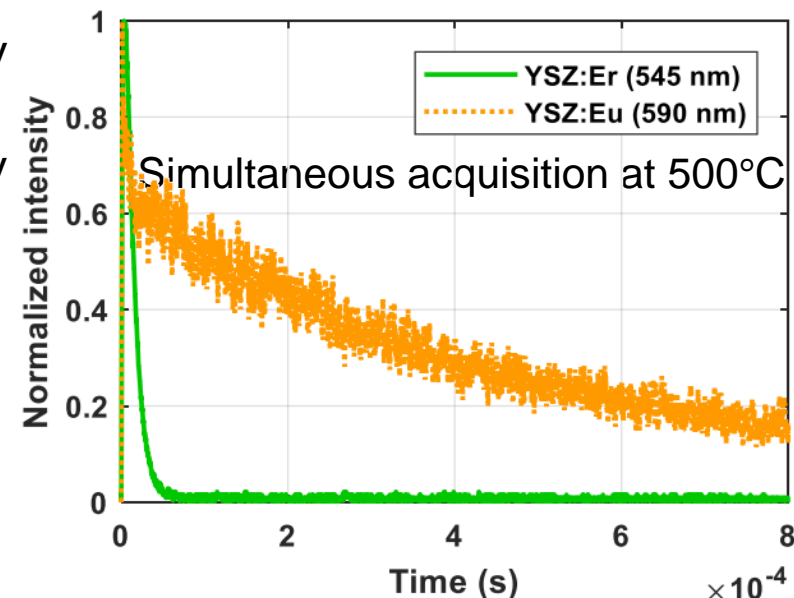
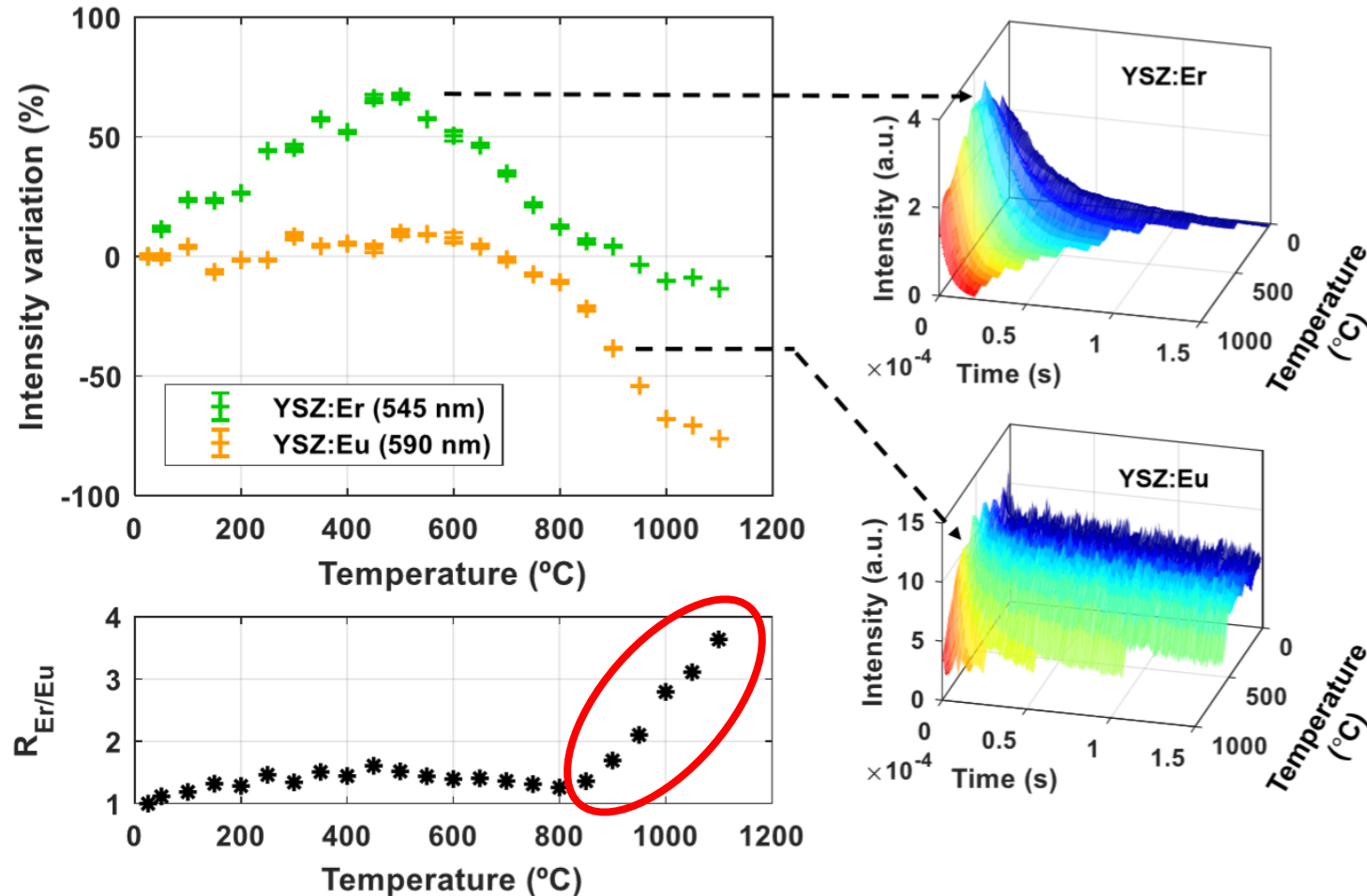
Air Plasma Spray (UCF team @ FIT, Melbourne, FL, USA)  
YSZ:Er,Eu [1.5% Er, 3% Eu]  
(Phosphor Technology, UK)  
Annealed 2h @ 800°C





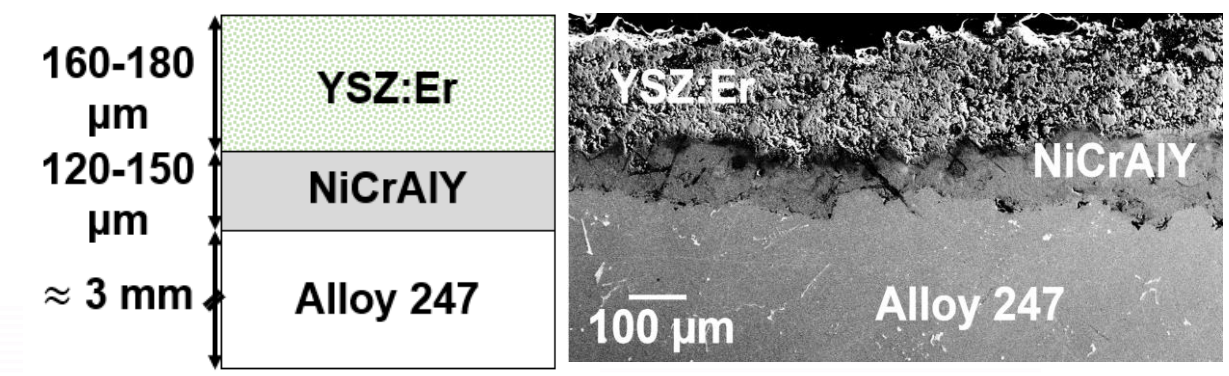
# Extension of temperature range vs. state-of-the-art

- Luminescence of Europium is quenched rapidly past 500°C, for high sensitivity measurements up to 850°C where reaching detector response limit.
- Temperature range extended by collecting the ratio of the normalized intensity variation Erbium/Europium.



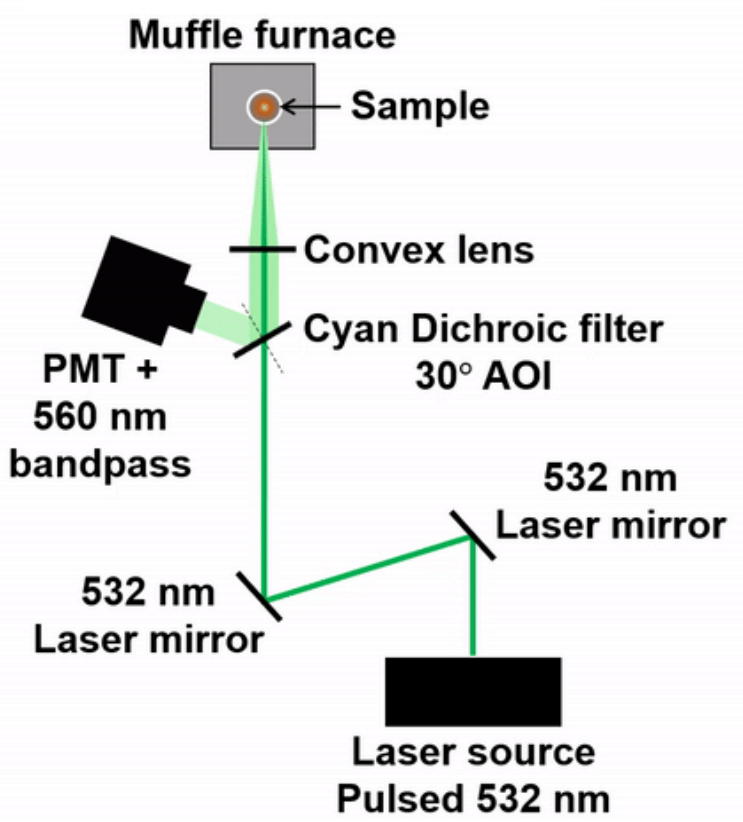
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# Instrumentation developed for sub-surface temperature measurements

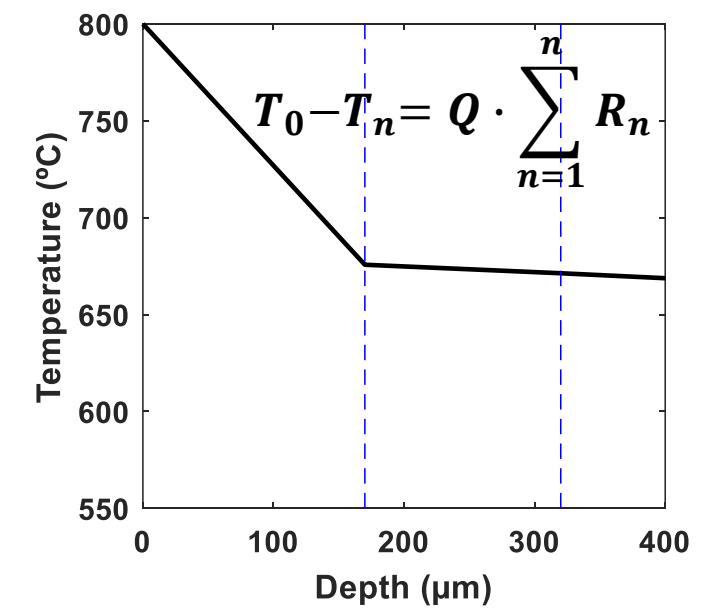
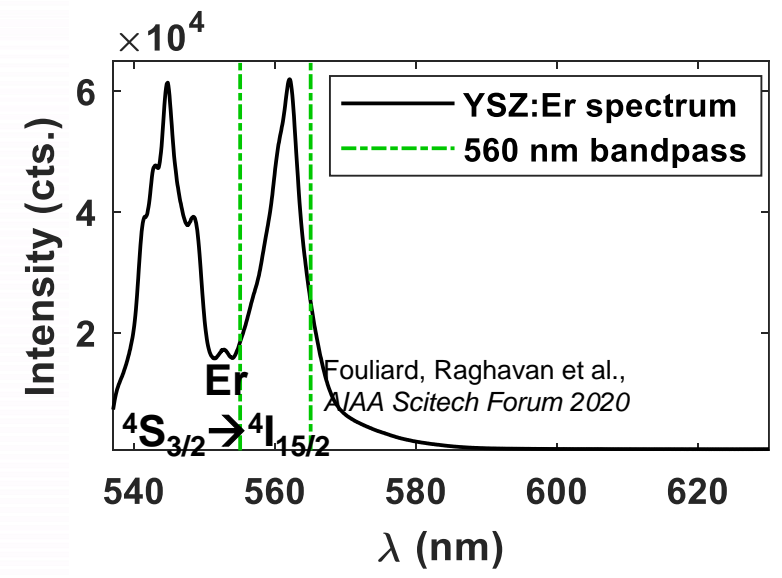


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**Sample:**  
Air Plasma Spray (UCF team @ FIT, Melbourne, FL, USA)  
YSZ:Er [1.5% Er] (Phosphor Technology, UK)  
Annealed 2h @ 800°C

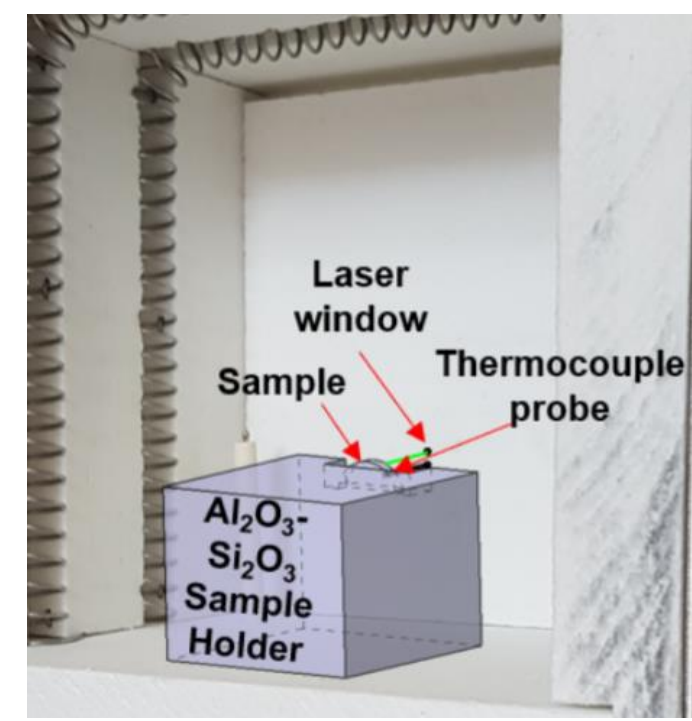


$$R^{thermal} = \sum R^{thermal}_{topcoat} + R^{thermal}_{bondcoat} + R^{thermal}_{substrate}$$

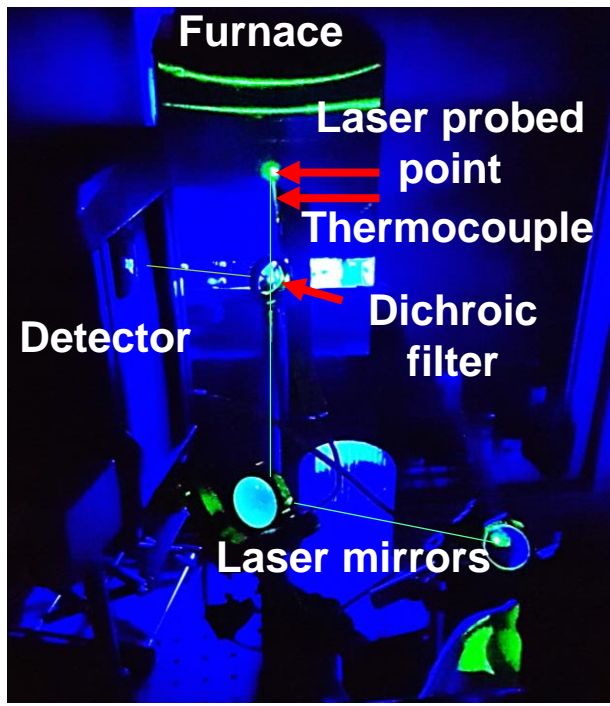


# Determination of reference decays: isothermal case

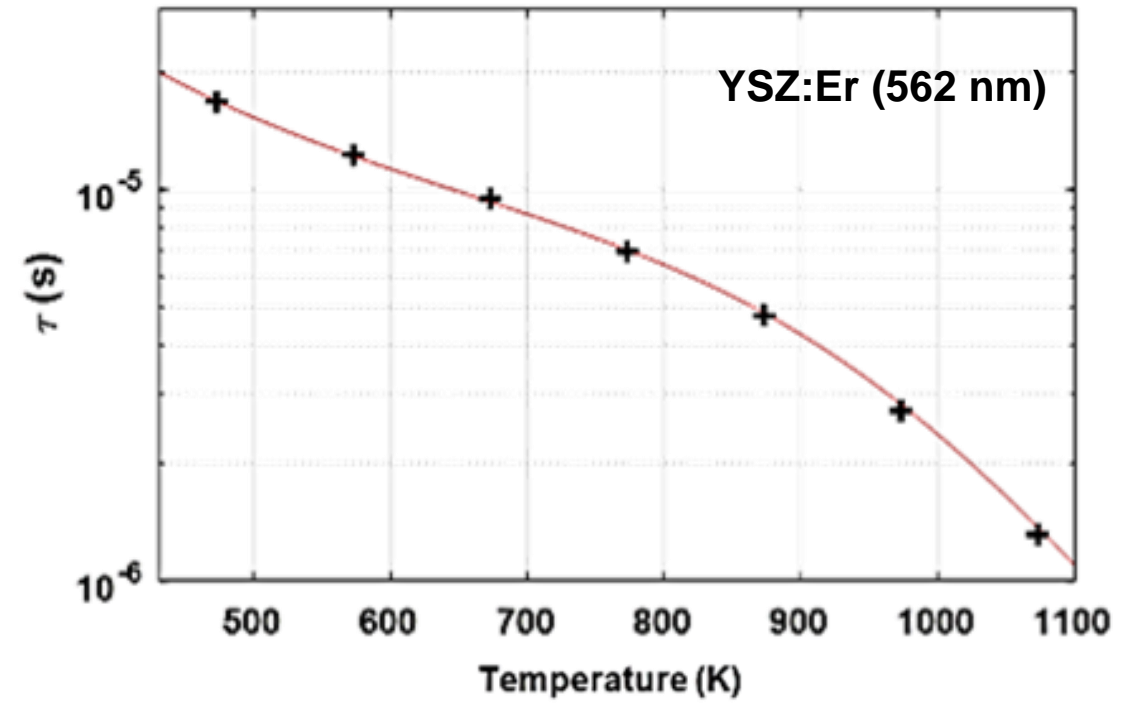
- Calibration of the sensor response is achieved using a furnace that includes through holes for thermocouple and luminescence measurements
- Fit: Temperature-dependent multi-phonon relaxation model for the  $^4S_{3/2} \rightarrow ^4I_{15/2}$  transition combined with a model to account for the other thermally populated levels



Inside view

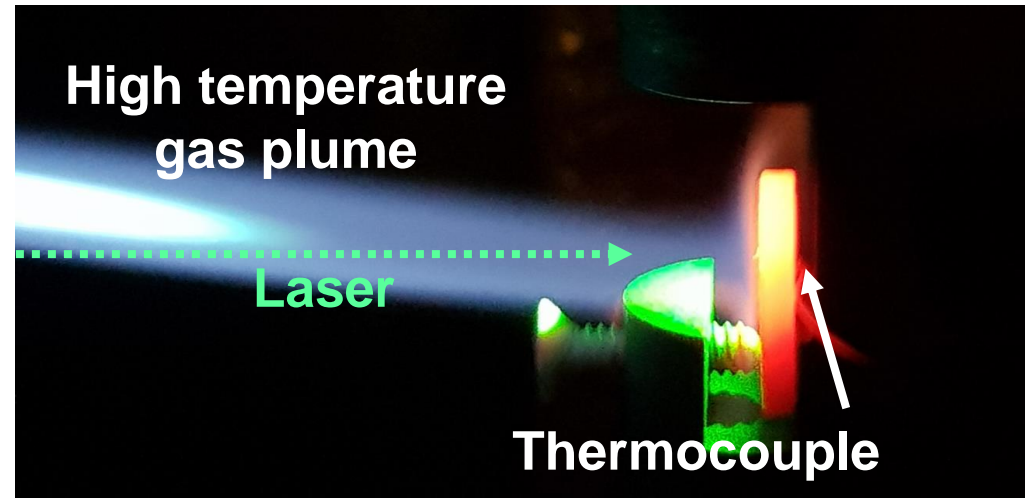
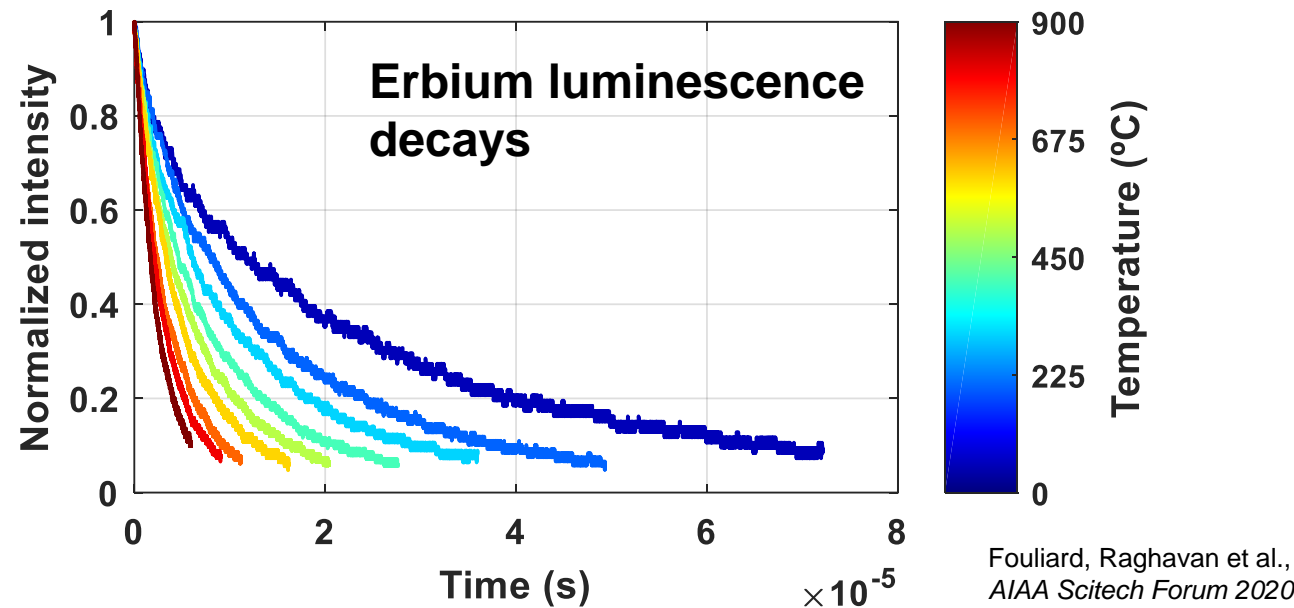
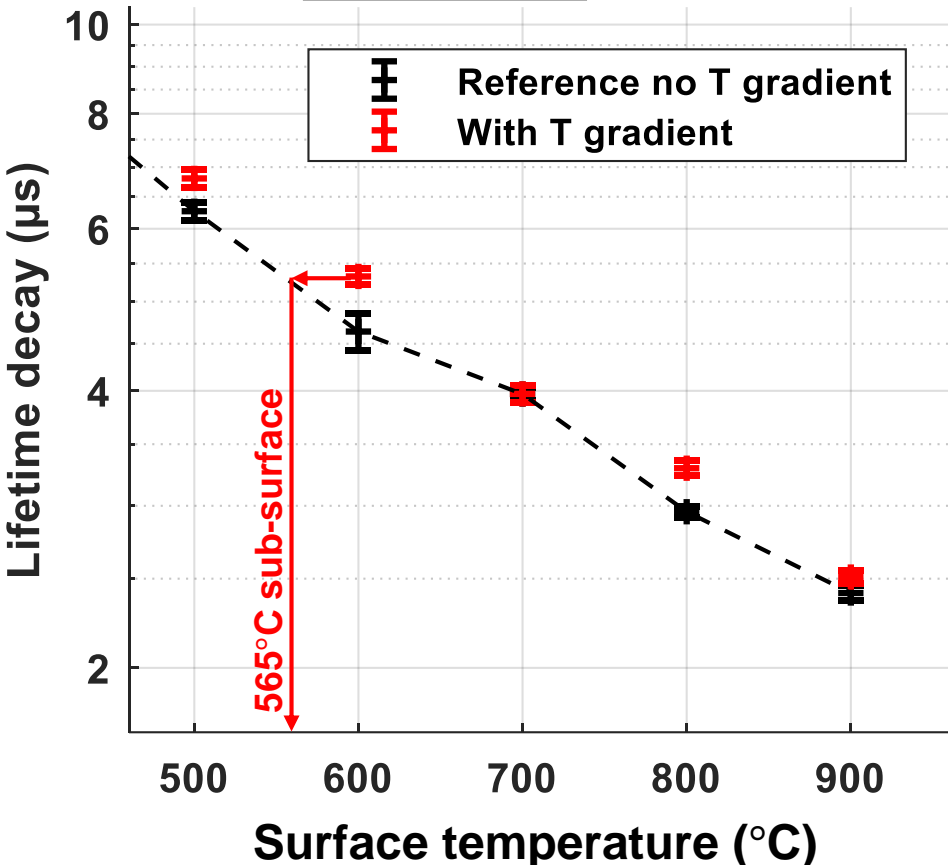
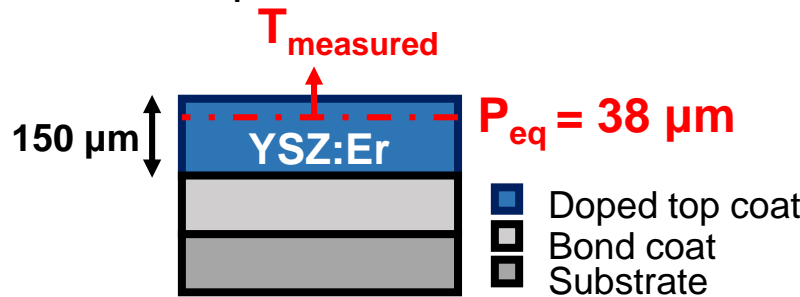


Outside view



# Method for sub-surface temperature measurements

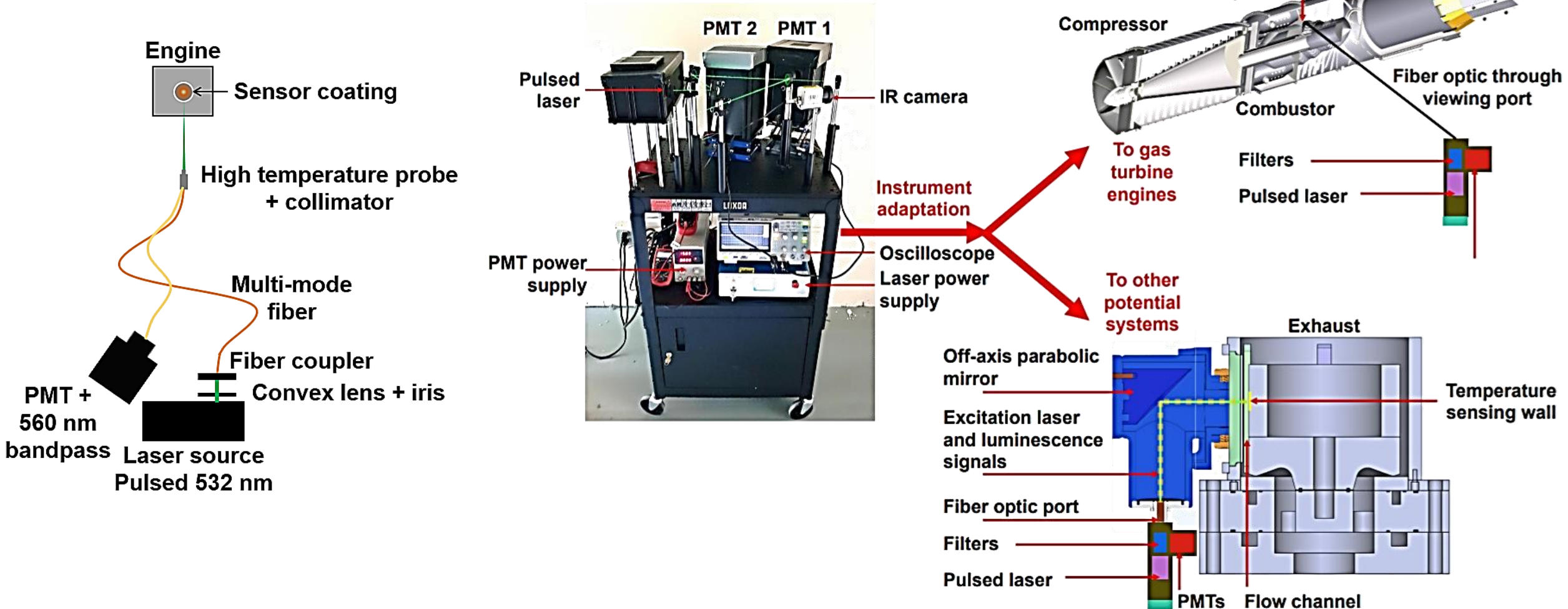
Model sub-surface location prediction for the temperature measurement:





# Project extension (task 6): Instrument adaptation to engine rig

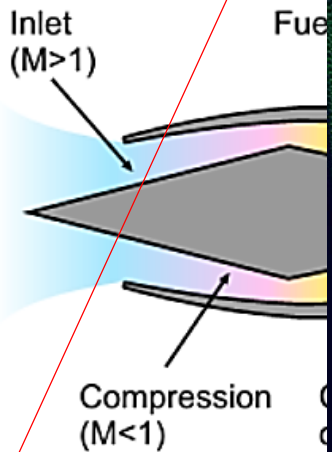
- Instrument optimization for Er and Eu luminescence sensing
- Improved filtering of gas radiation
- Multi-mode fiber collimator with high-damage threshold ( $0.5 \text{ mJ/pulse} \approx 20 \text{ ns}$ )





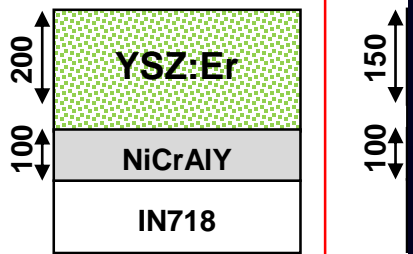
# Project extension

## UCF Ramjet exhaust

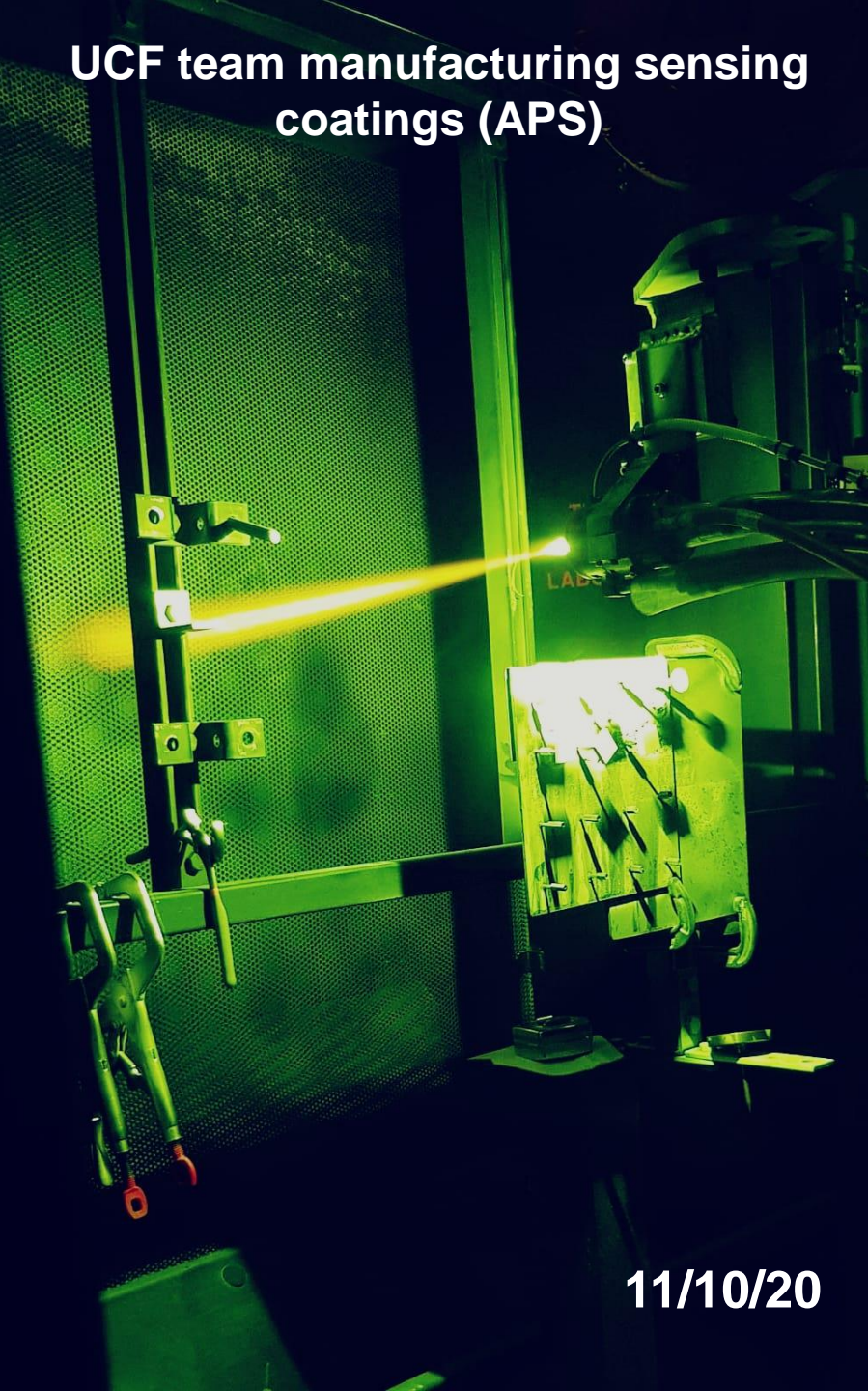


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## Sample configuration



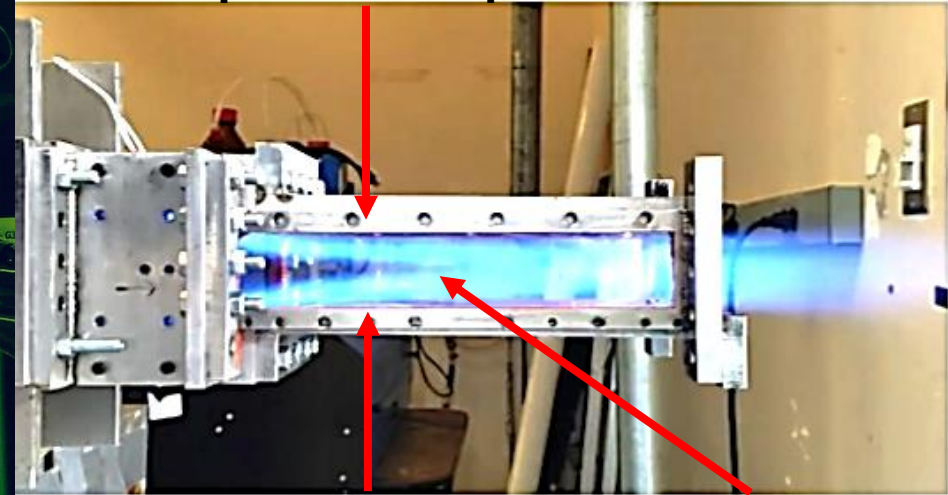
## UCF team manufacturing sensing coatings (APS)



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## engine rig (initial test)

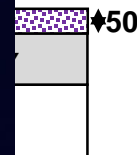
2x2" sensor plate  
placed at top



Viewing port from  
below for phosphor  
thermometry

Lateral viewing port  
for IR meas.

- Er has strong luminescence and close to ideal single-exponential decay
- Eu is compatible for simultaneous sensing with Er
- Higher temperatures can be measured either through non-luminescent thermal barrier or using a garnet host YAG:Er



# Coating damage monitoring

*Part of tasks 3 & 4*

# Modeling delamination

## Diffuse external reflectivity

$$\rho_0(n) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{(3n+1) \cdot (n-1)}{6 \cdot (n+1)^2} + \frac{n^2 \cdot (n^2-1)^2}{(n^2+1)^3} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{n-1}{n+1}\right) - \frac{2n^3 \cdot (n^2+2n-1)}{(n^2+1) \cdot (n^4-1)} + \frac{8n^4 \cdot (n^4+1)}{(n^2+1) \cdot (n^4-1)^2} \cdot \ln(n)$$

## Max diffuse internal reflectivity

$$\rho_{i,max}(n) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) + \frac{\rho_0(n)}{n^2}$$

## Frustrated angle-averaged reflectivity

$$\overline{R}_f(d) = \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\theta_c}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\alpha \cdot \sinh^2(\beta \cdot d)}{1 + \alpha \cdot \sinh^2(\beta \cdot d)} \cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta d\theta d\varphi}{\int_0^{2\pi} \int_{\theta_c}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos \theta \cdot \sin \theta d\theta d\varphi}$$

$$\alpha_{\perp} = \frac{(n^2 - 1)^2}{4n^2 \cdot \cos^2 \theta \cdot (n^2 \sin^2 \theta - 1)}$$

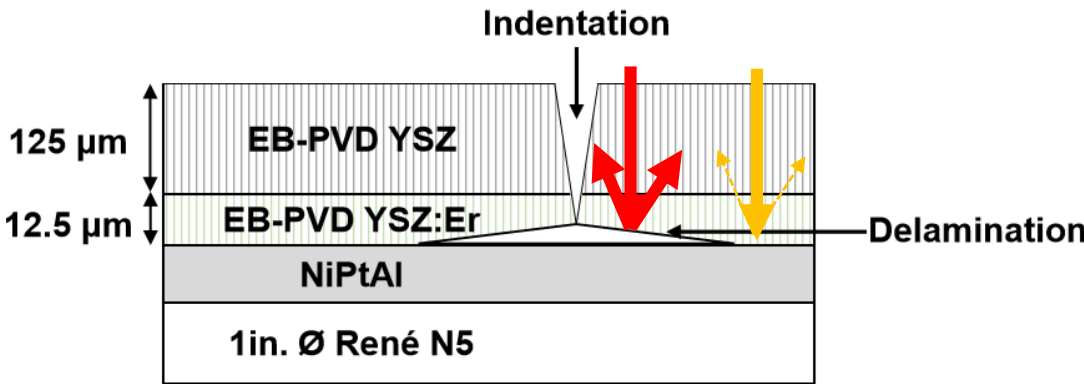
$$\alpha_{\parallel} = \alpha_{\perp} \cdot (\sin^2 \theta \cdot (n^2 + 1) - 1) \quad \overline{R}_{f,unp} = \frac{\overline{R}_{f,\perp} + \overline{R}_{f,\parallel}}{2}$$

$$\beta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} \sqrt{n^2 \cdot \sin^2 \theta - 1}$$

$$\rho_i(d) = \overline{R}_{f,unp}(d) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{n^2}\right) + \frac{\rho_0(n)}{n^2}$$

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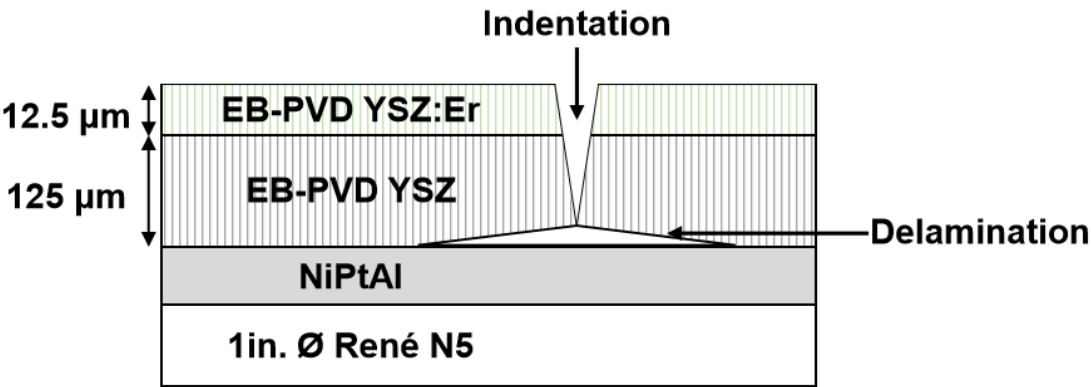
Layer	n	$\rho_{i,max}$
Air	1	84%
Top coat	2.17	39%
TGO	1.76	
Top coat - Bond coat		4%



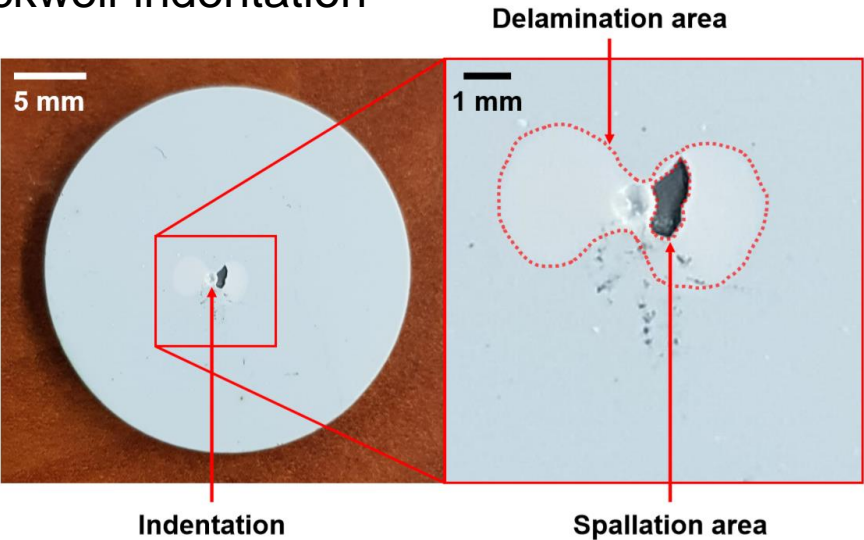
# Sample configurations

2 configurations were provided by Dr. Eldridge (NASA Glenn):

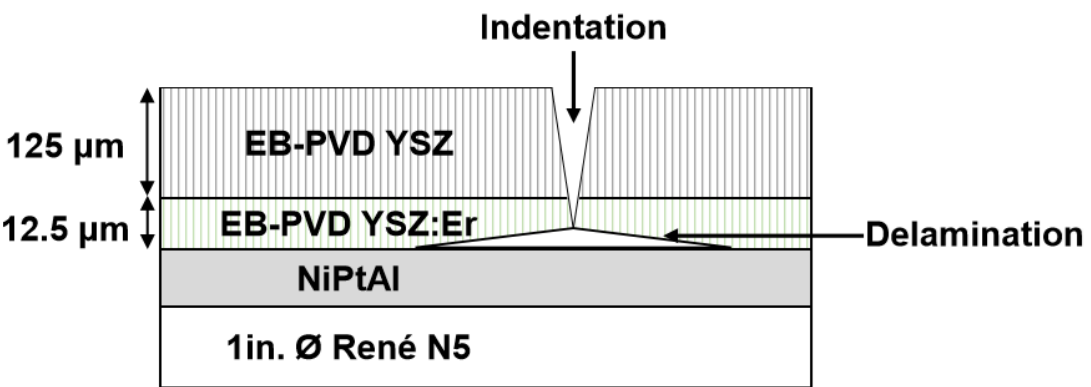
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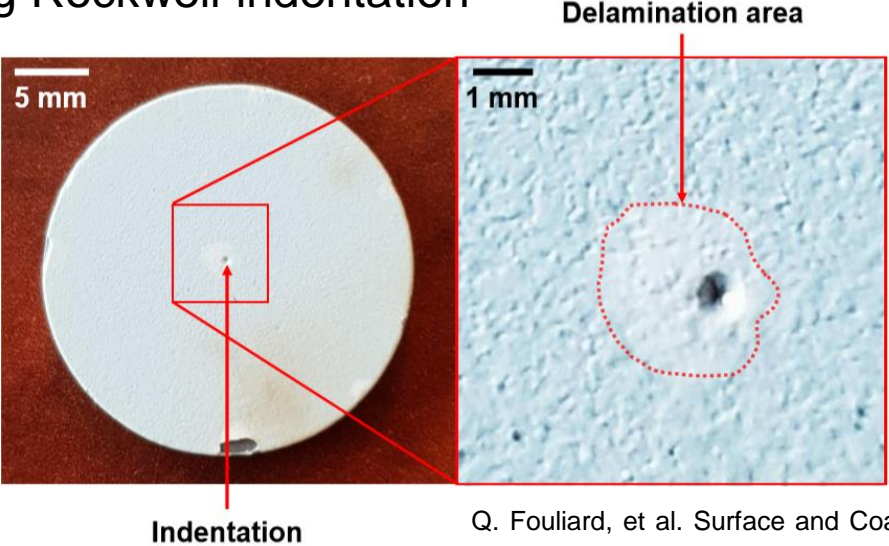
250kg Rockwell indentation



## Sensing layer at the bottom



200kg Rockwell indentation



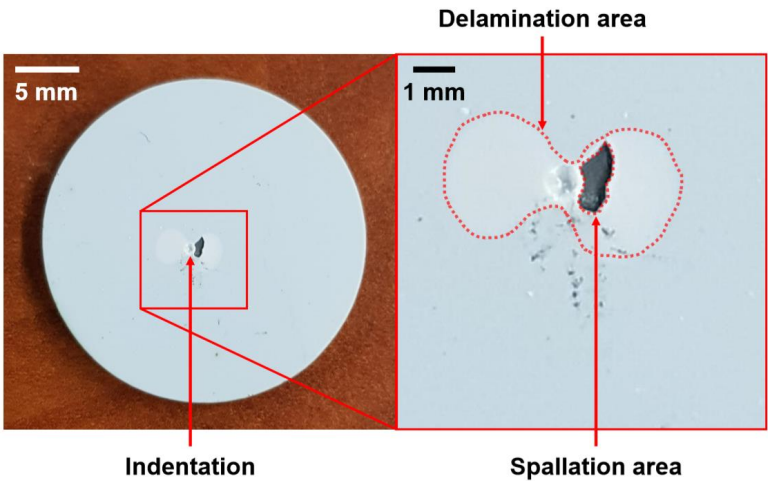
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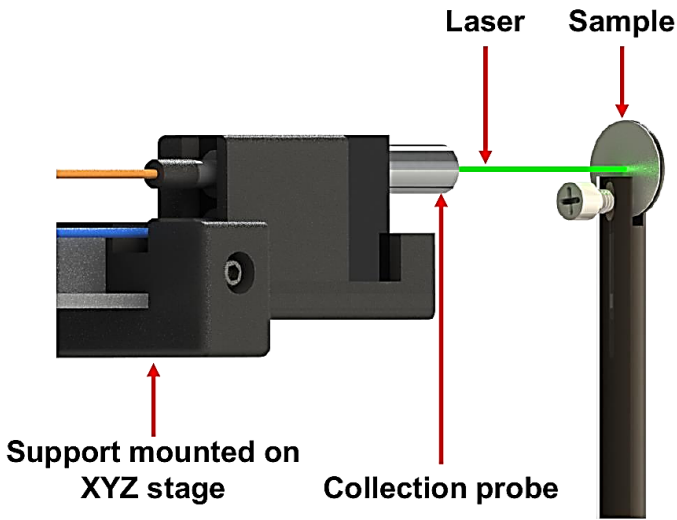
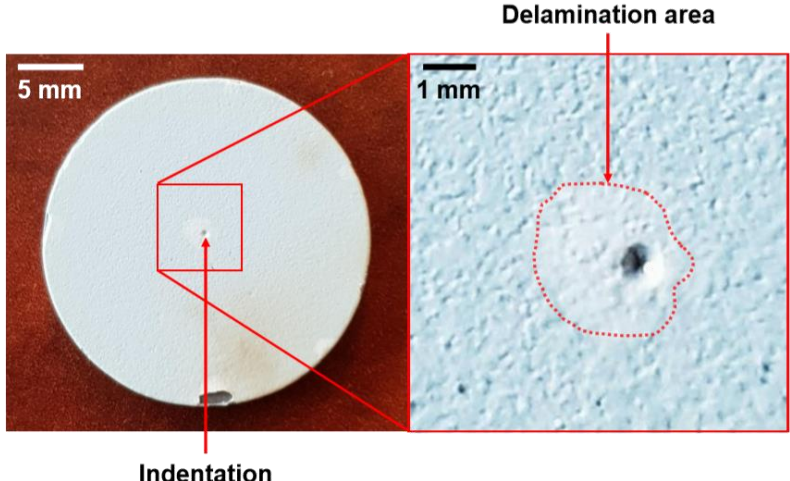
# Photoluminescence results

The 2 configurations have been characterized by luminescence mapping (tracking of Er-line at 562 nm):

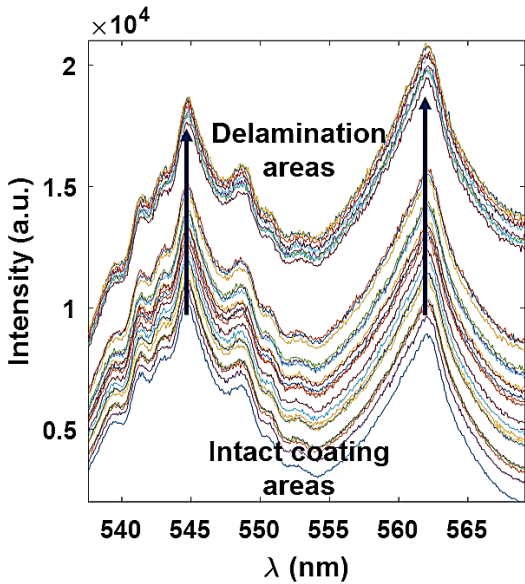
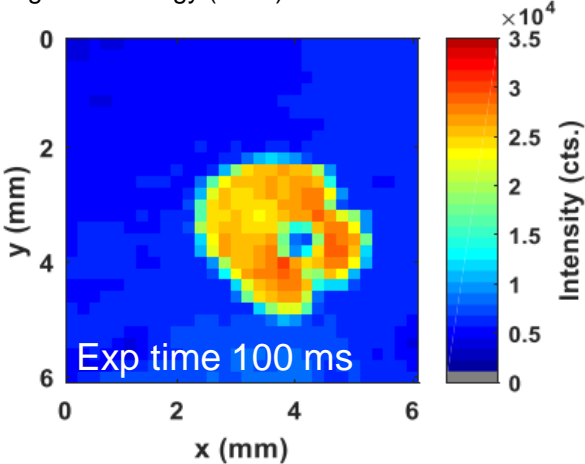
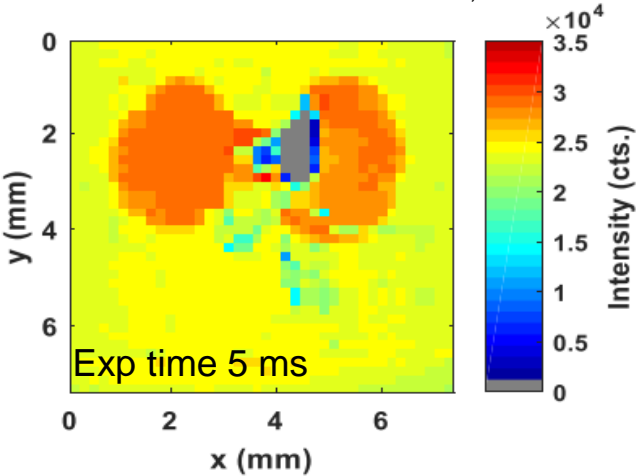
## Sensing layer at the top



## Sensing layer at the bottom



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15 mW,  
532 nm excitation  
*Focal length:*  
7.5 mm  
*Depth of field:*  
2.2 mm  
*Numerical aperture:*  
0.27  
*Spot size:* 200  $\mu$ m



# 2×2-flux Kubelka-Munk model

$$Y_{laser}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} I_{laser}(x) \\ J_{laser}(x) \end{pmatrix} \quad Y_{lum}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} I_{lum}(x) \\ J_{lum}(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

$I_{laser}$  : intensity of incident laser traveling towards bond coat  
 $J_{laser}$  : intensity of scattered laser traveling towards top surface  
 $I_{lum}$  : intensity of the luminescence traveling towards bond coat  
 $J_{lum}$  : intensity of the luminescence traveling towards top surface

$$\frac{dY_{laser}(x)}{dx} = AY_{laser}(x)$$
$$\frac{dY_{lum}(x)}{dx} = AY_{lum}(x) + QY_{laser}(x)$$

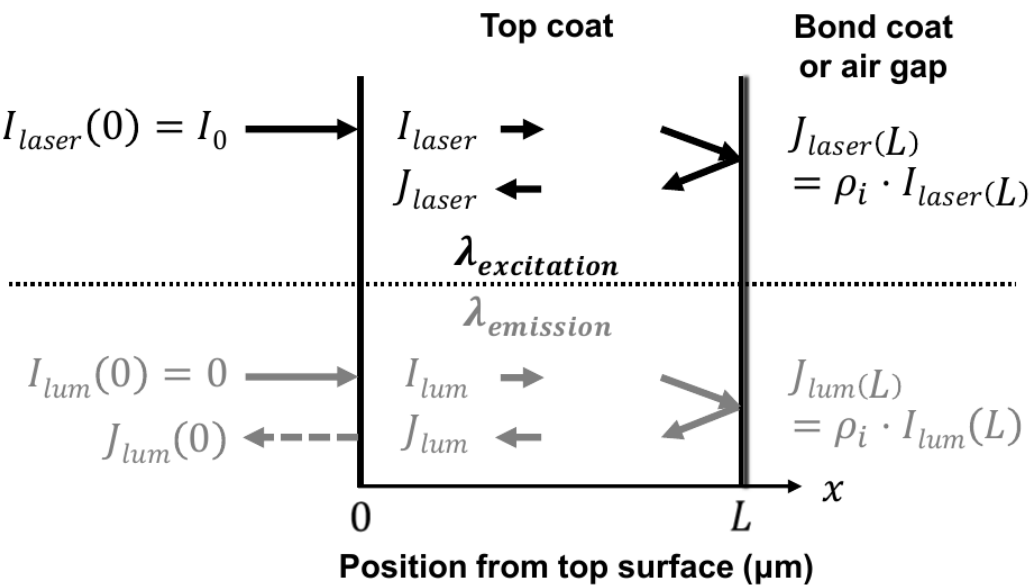
$$A_{laser} = \begin{pmatrix} -(K_{laser} + S_{laser}) & S_{laser} \\ -S_{laser} & K_{laser} + S_{laser} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$A_{lum} = \begin{pmatrix} -(K_{lum} + S_{lum}) & S_{lum} \\ -S_{lum} & K_{lum} + S_{lum} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qK_{laser}}{2} & \frac{qK_{laser}}{2} \\ -\frac{qK_{laser}}{2} & -\frac{qK_{laser}}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$S \equiv 2s$

$K \equiv 2k.$

s: scattering coefficient  
k: absorption coefficient  
q: quantum efficiency

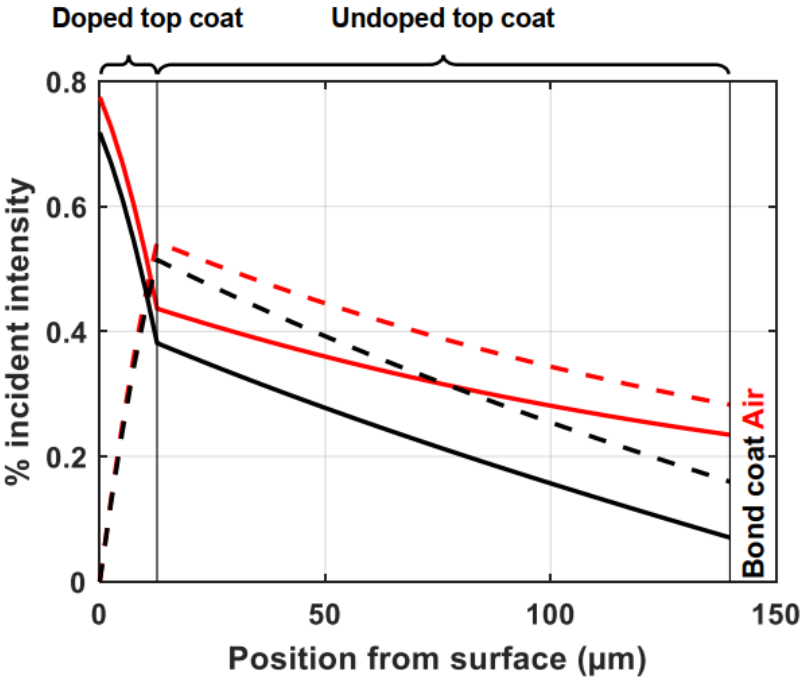
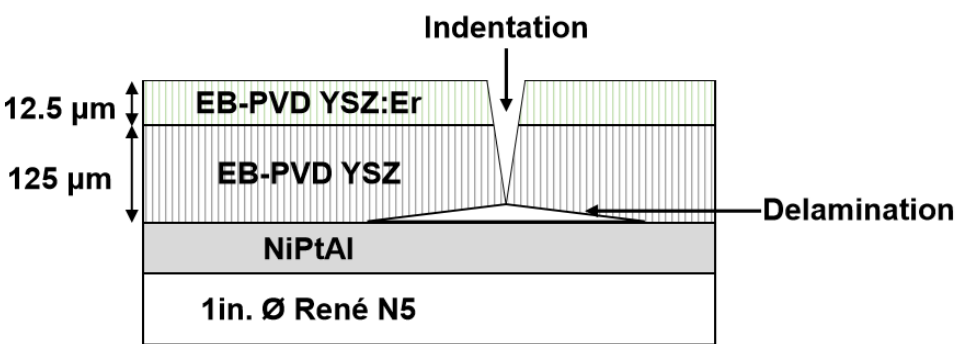


$\lambda$ (nm)	s (m <sup>-1</sup> )	k (m <sup>-1</sup> )
532	12965	407
562	12107	319

Scattering and absorption coefficients / Excitation and emissions wavelengths used for the modeling study

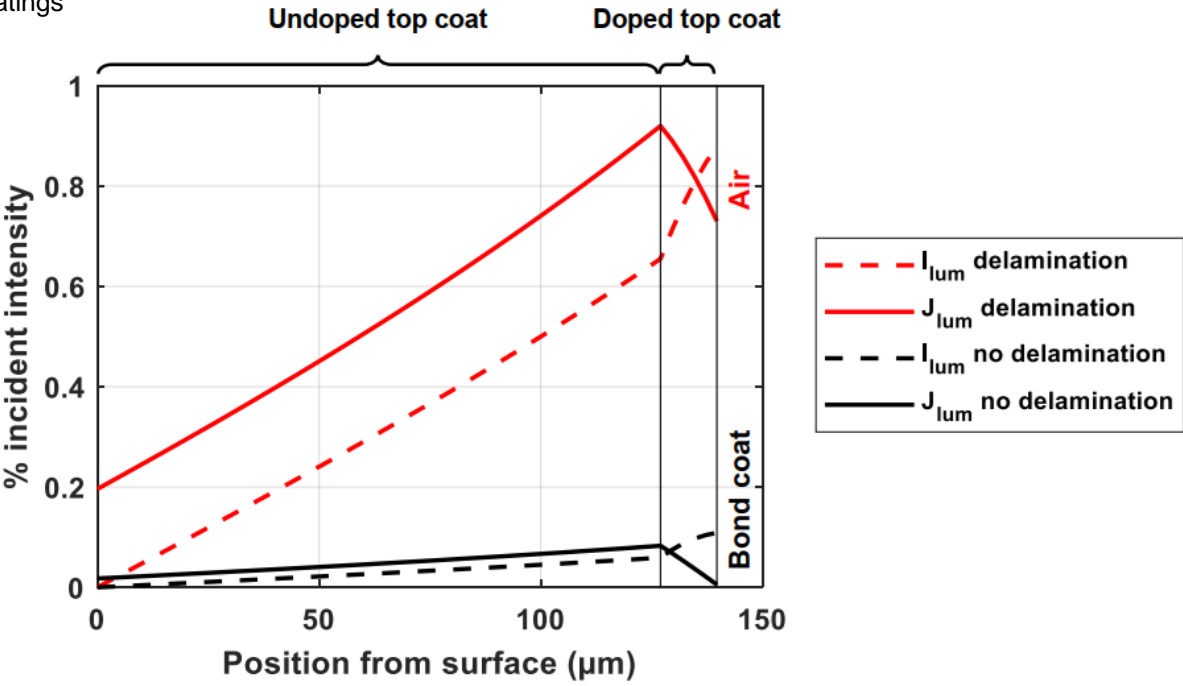
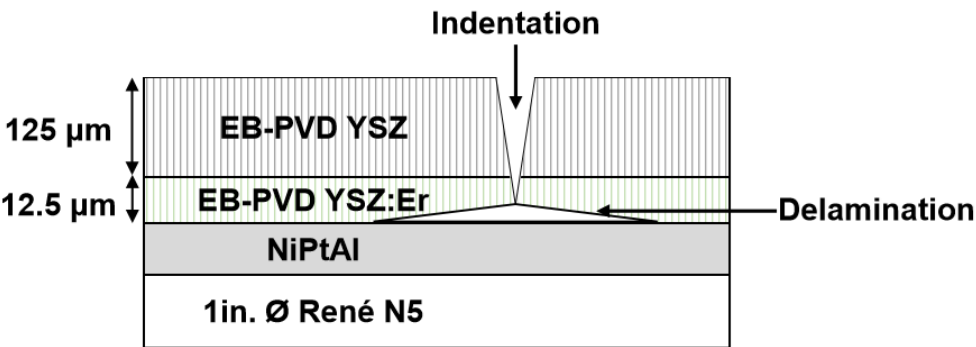
# Modeling results

## Sensing layer at the top



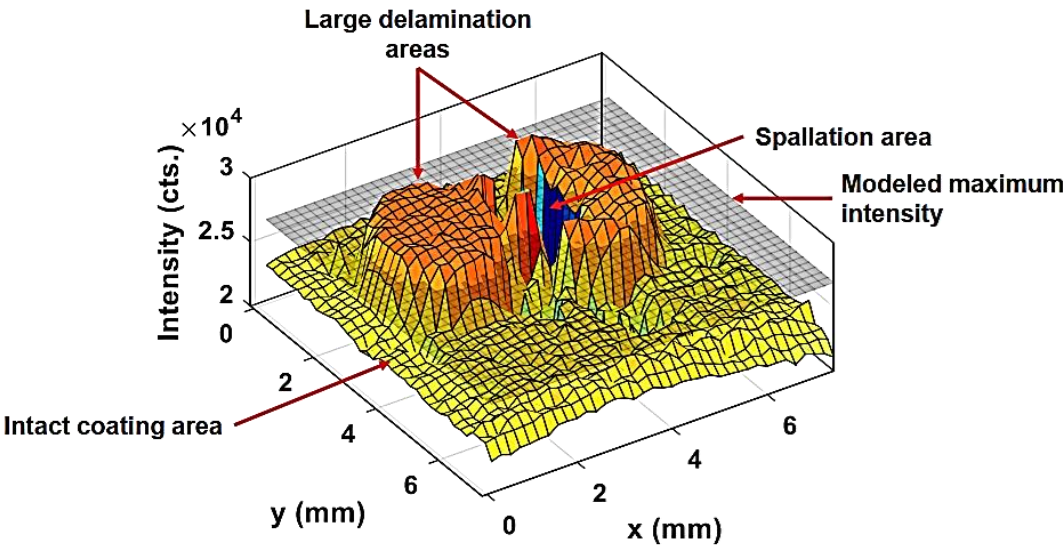
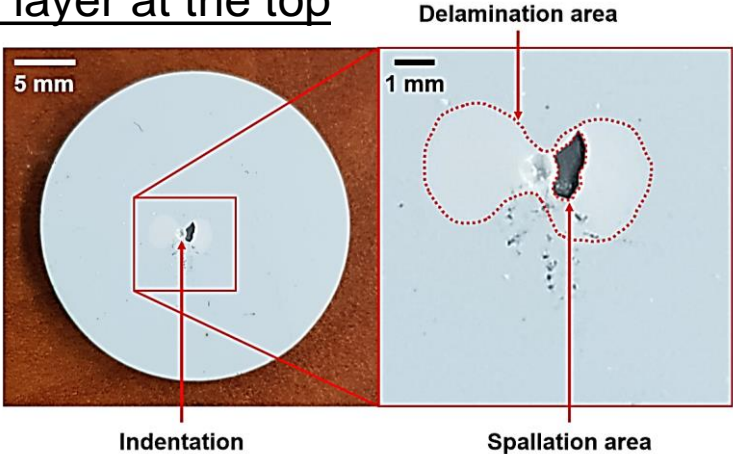
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## Sensing layer at the bottom

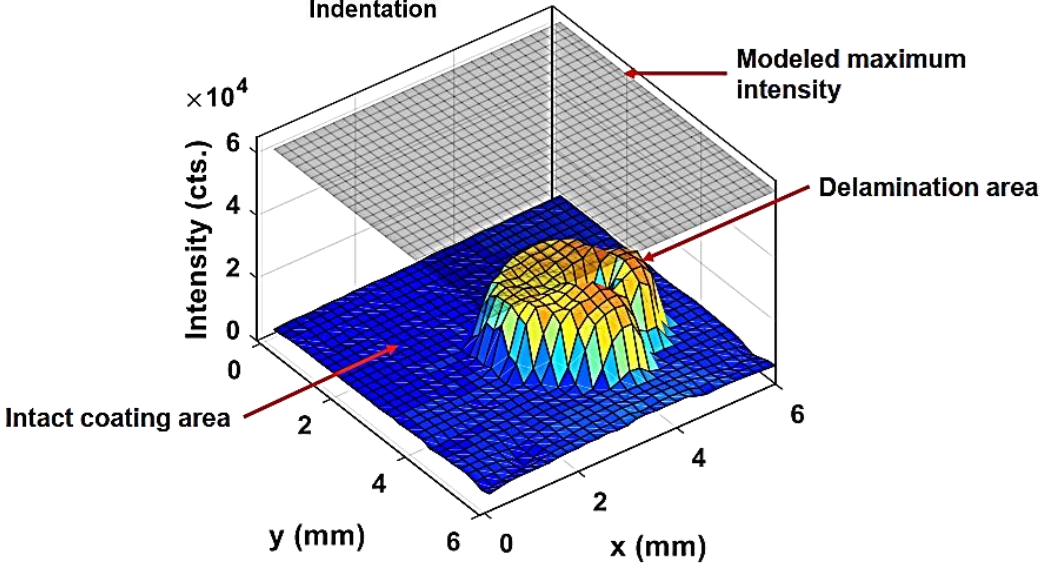
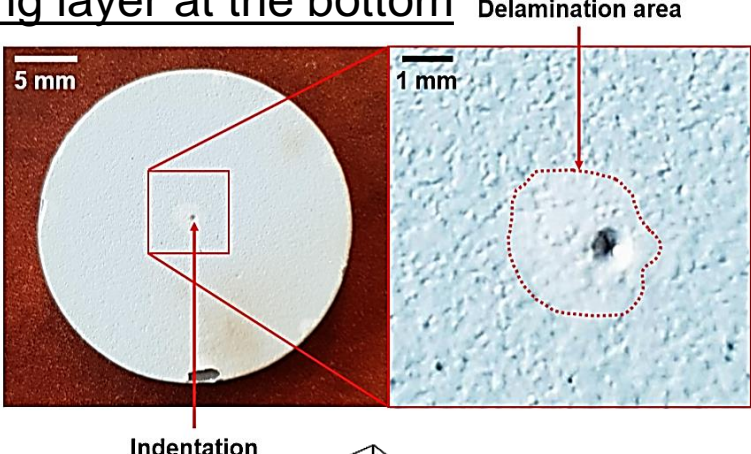


# Comparison of model vs. experiment results

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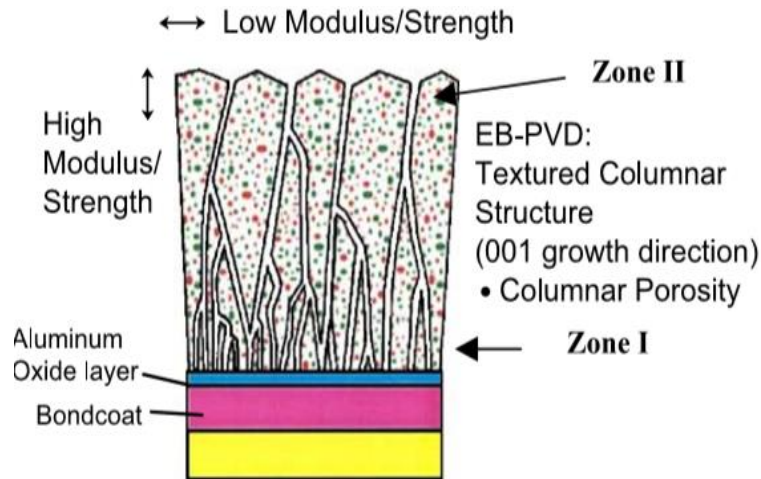
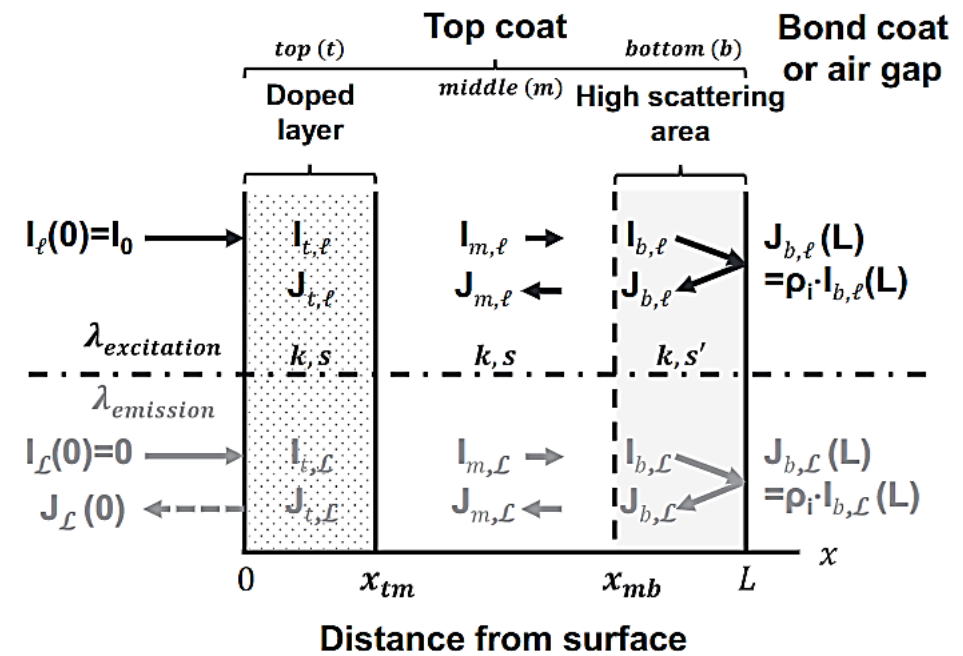
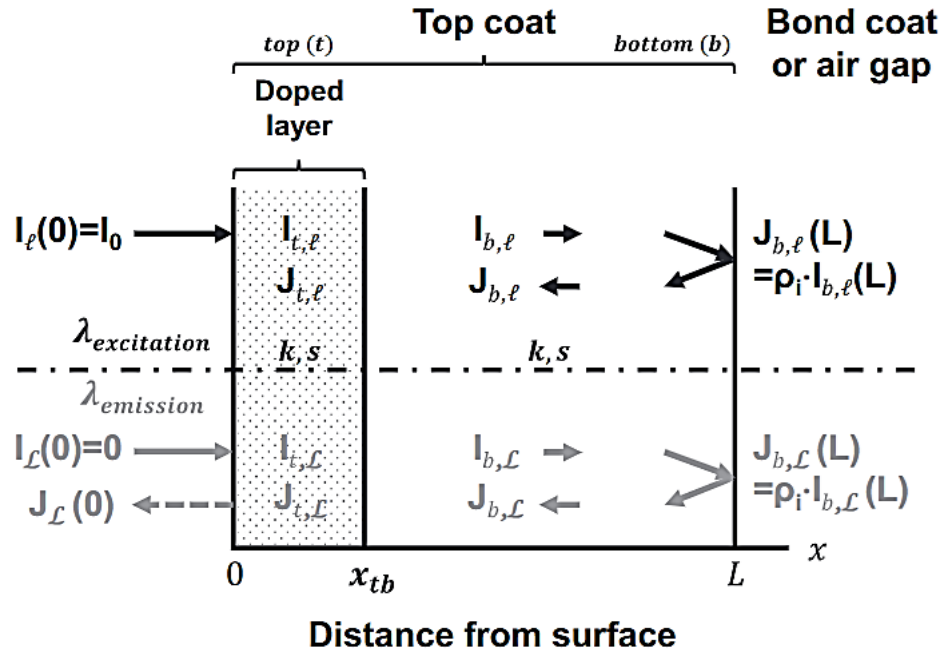
Sensing layer at the bottom



Enhancement factor $\eta$	Sample A	Sample B
Kubelka-Munk model	$1.12 \pm 0.16$	$11.34 \pm 2.31$
Experimental measurement	$1.17 \pm 0.02$	$4.82 \pm 0.47$

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# Modeling Luminescence Intensity - Model improvements



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$$Y_{\lambda}(x) = [I_{t,\lambda}(x) \ J_{t,\lambda}(x) \ I_{m,\lambda}(x) \ J_{m,\lambda}(x) \ I_{b,\lambda}(x) \ J_{b,\lambda}(x)]^T$$

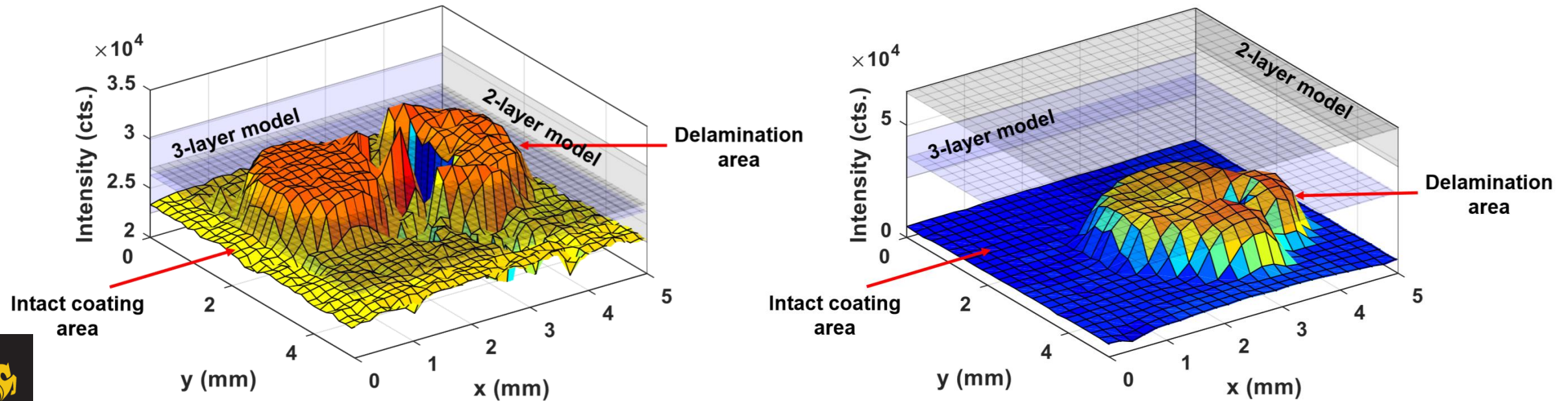
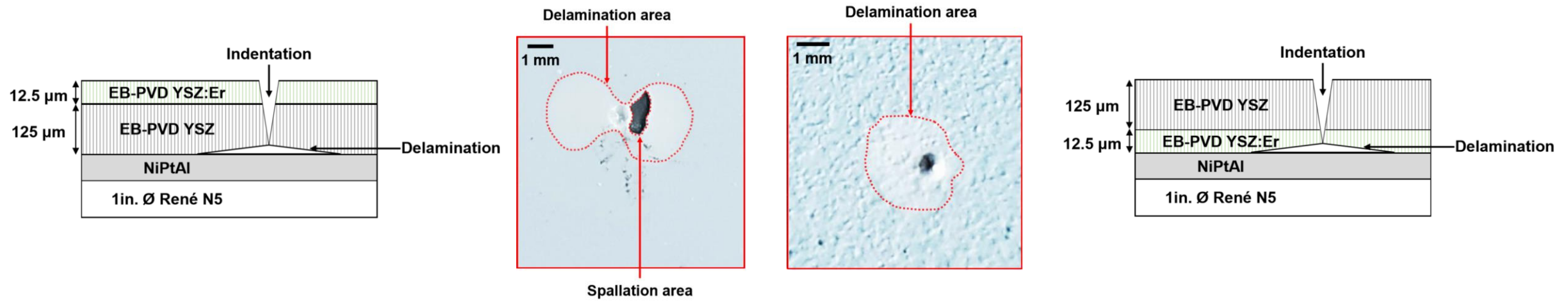
$$A_{z,\lambda} = \begin{pmatrix} -(K_{z,\lambda} + S_{z,\lambda}) & S_{z,\lambda} \\ -S_{z,\lambda} & K_{z,\lambda} + S_{z,\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \quad Q_z = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} q_z K_{z,\ell} & q_z K_{z,\ell} \\ -q_z K_{z,\ell} & -q_z K_{z,\ell} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{dY_{\ell}(x)}{dx} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{t,\ell} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{m,\ell} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{b,\ell} \end{pmatrix} \cdot Y_{\ell}(x)$$

$$\frac{dY_{\mathcal{L}}(x)}{dx} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{t,\mathcal{L}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_{m,\mathcal{L}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{b,\mathcal{L}} \end{pmatrix} \cdot Y_{\mathcal{L}}(x) + \begin{pmatrix} Q_t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Q_m & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Q_b \end{pmatrix} \cdot Y_{\ell}(x)$$

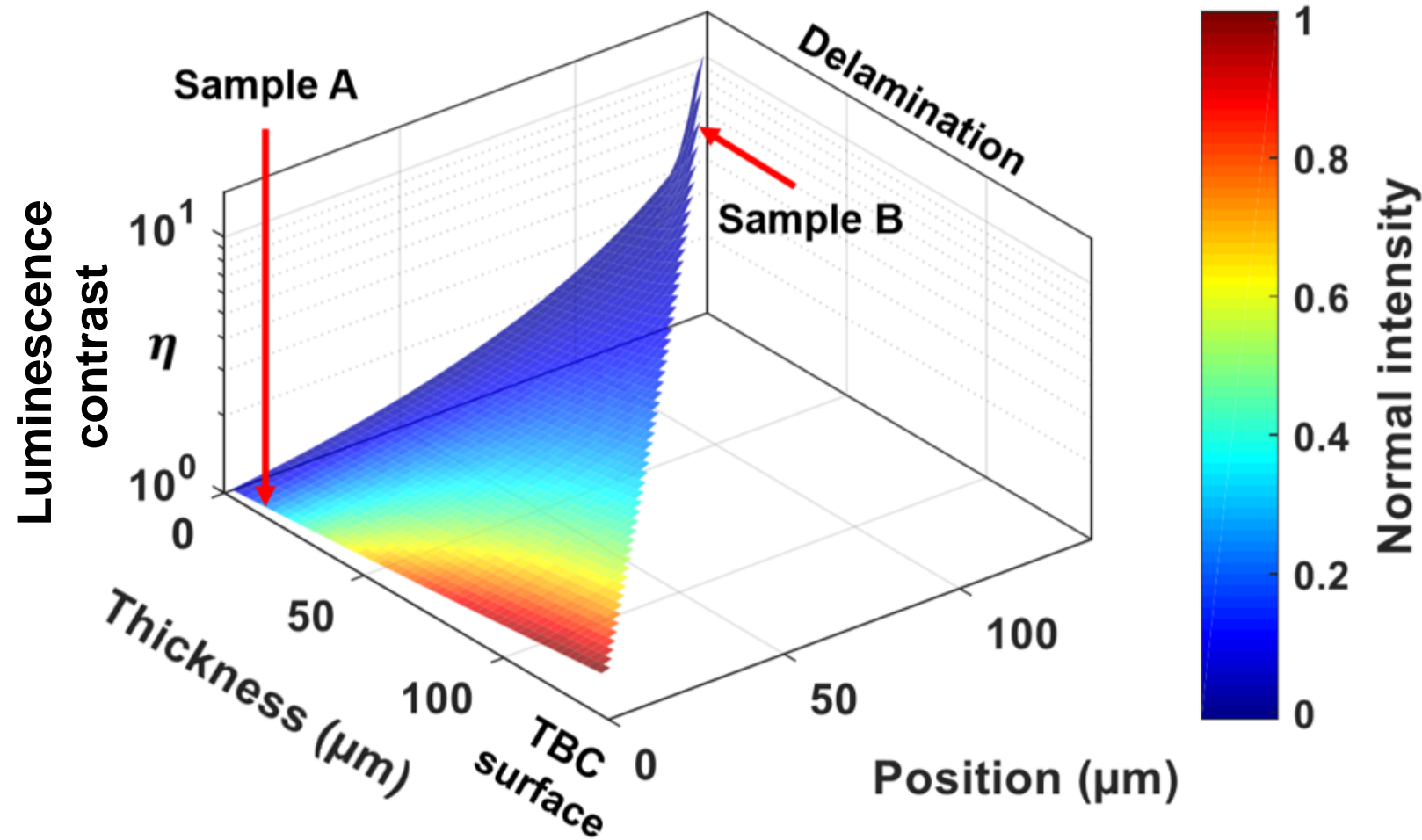


# Delamination monitoring: Comparison experiment vs. model



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# Delamination monitoring: Luminescence trade-off for delamination detection



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# Conclusions & Perspectives

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- Precise determination of temperatures in TBCs can result in large benefits in terms of fuel savings, reduction of emission, as well as better monitoring of TBC lifetime
- Enabled the extension of the range of measurable temperatures using Phosphor Thermometry with higher sensitivity by capturing simultaneously luminescence decays and intensities out of a co-doped YSZ:Er,Eu top layer.
- Improved sub-surface temperature measurements using TBC in the presence of a thermal gradient.
- Currently extending the instrument to engine rig setup for in-situ temperature measurements.
- Enabled accurate determination of delamination in coatings through a novel modeling approach, validated with experiments.
  - For the first time, a configuration with a thin sensing layer placed at the top surface was able to track an underlying delamination area with high luminescence intensity for fast acquisition.
  - Sensor TBC configuration can be optimized for erosion and delamination tracking using the results of the model.

# Future work

## Task 6: (10/2020 – 10/2021)

- Adaptation of the instrumentation to operate on an engine rig (Tasks 1-5 successfully demonstrated lab-scale functionality as planned – the existing built-up will now be adapted to rapidly increase its technology readiness level), starting with the exhaust section of UCF (Dr. Ahmed) ramjet engine and going towards more challenging engine sections like high-pressure turbines or RDE walls.
  - Manufacturing of luminescent coatings – *already started*
  - Engine rig setup design and instrument adaptation – *already started*
  - Data collection optimization / software development

## Ongoing work with collaborators that was initiated with this project:

- Additional synchrotron experiments for rare-earth doped TBC strain measurements (collaboration: GE Research, Argonne National Lab).
- Model adaptation and experimentation using high-emissivity paints for improved temperature measurements on painted TBCs (collaborator: GE Aviation).

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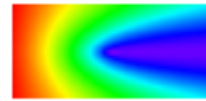
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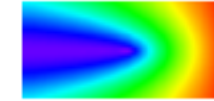
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