



= 504.0 nm

= 114.1 nm

= 322.6 nm

= 160.6 nm

= 40.89 nm



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Advances in Transmission Electron Microscopy

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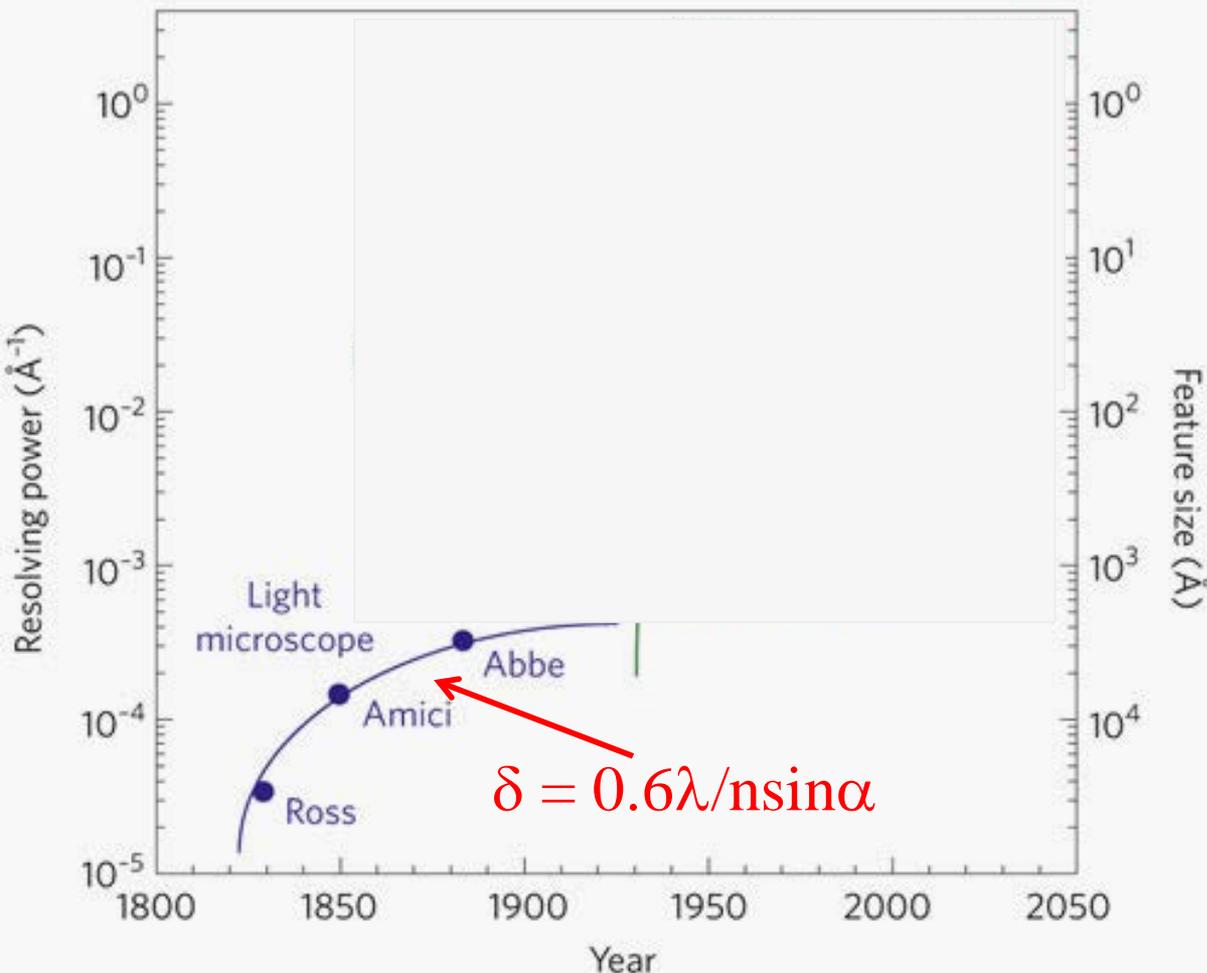
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Improving microscope resolution

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Resolution of an optical microscope is limited by the diffraction limit:

$$\delta = 0.6\lambda/nsin\alpha$$

Resolution could be improved by reducing the wavelength (λ)

The first electron microscope

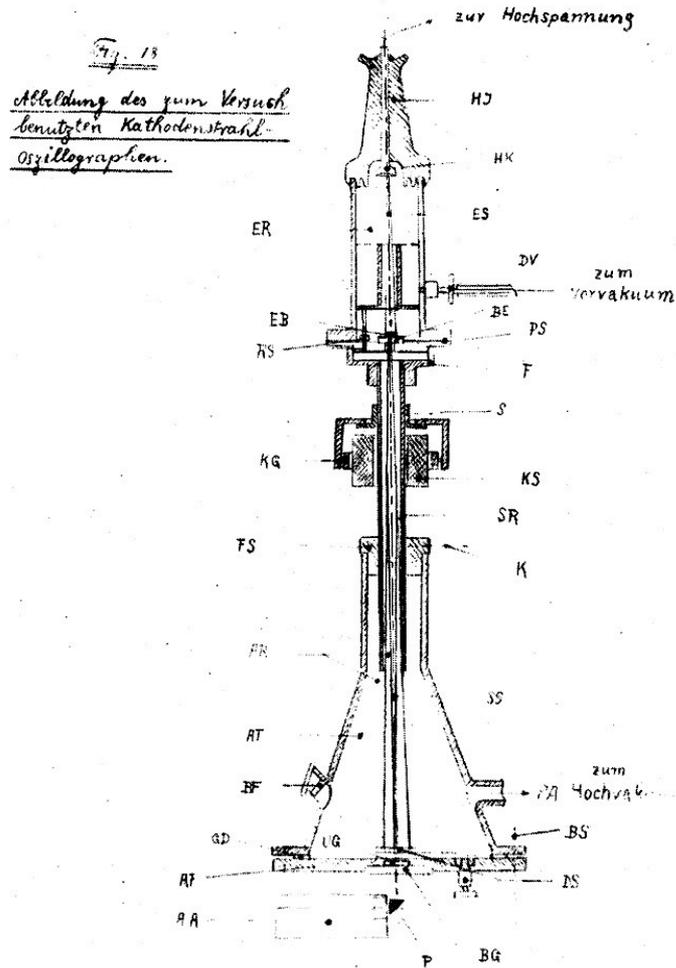
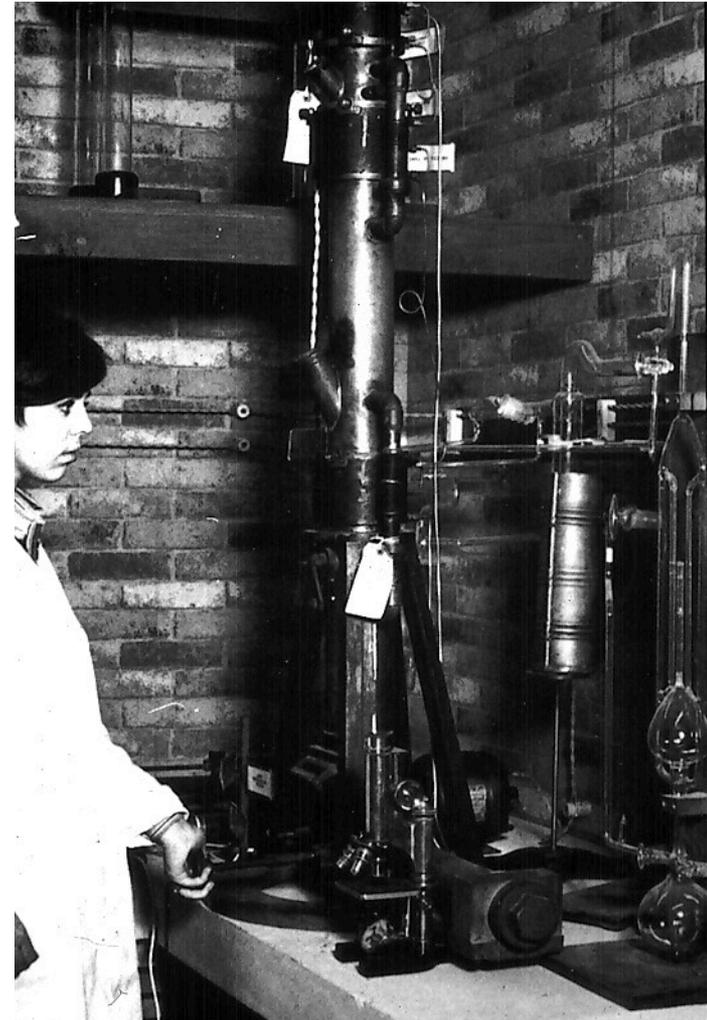
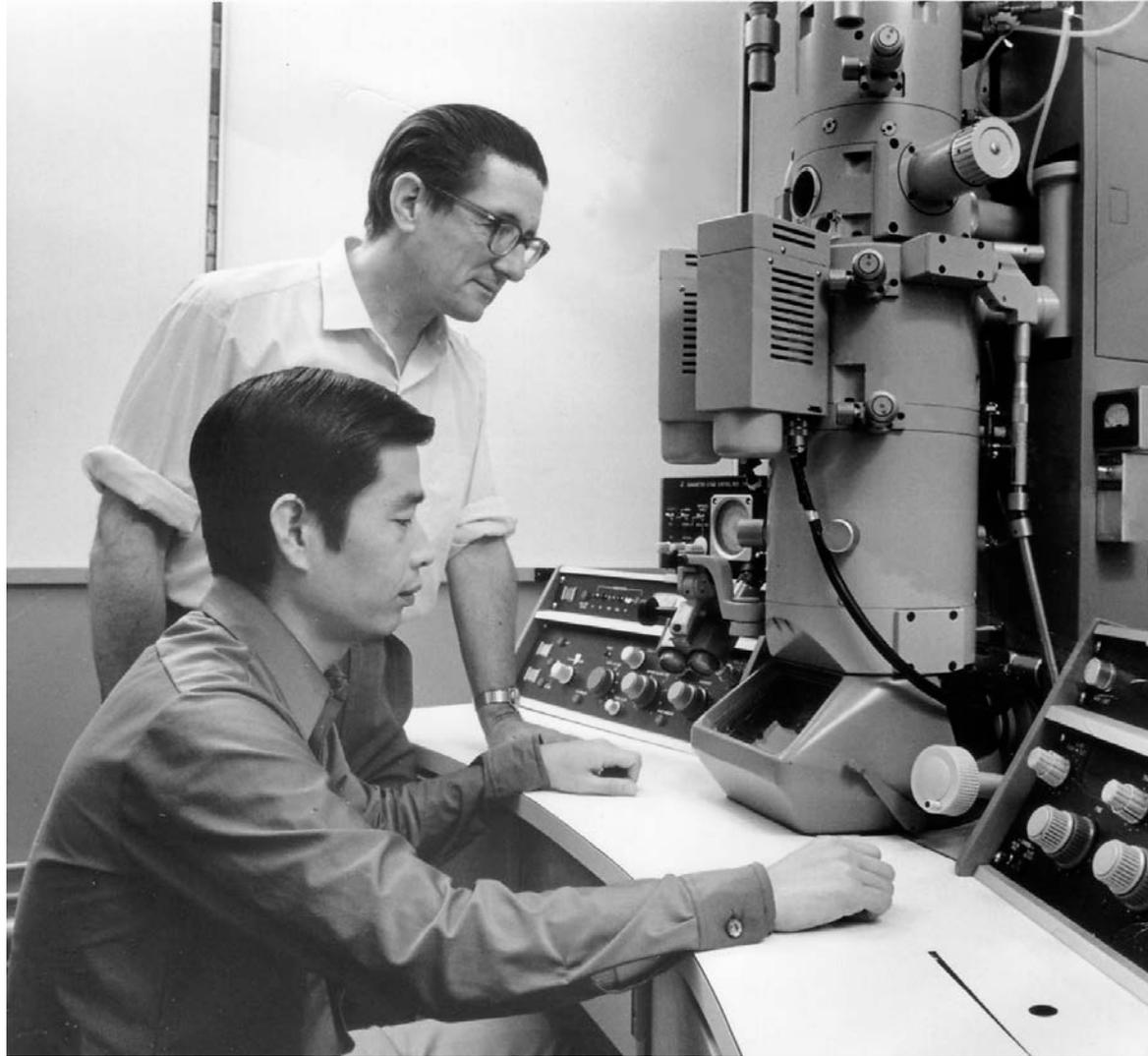


FIG. 1. Sketch by the author of the cathode-ray tube for testing the imaging properties of the nonuniform magnetic field of a short coil (Ruska, 1929; Ruska and Knoll, 1931) (footnote 1).



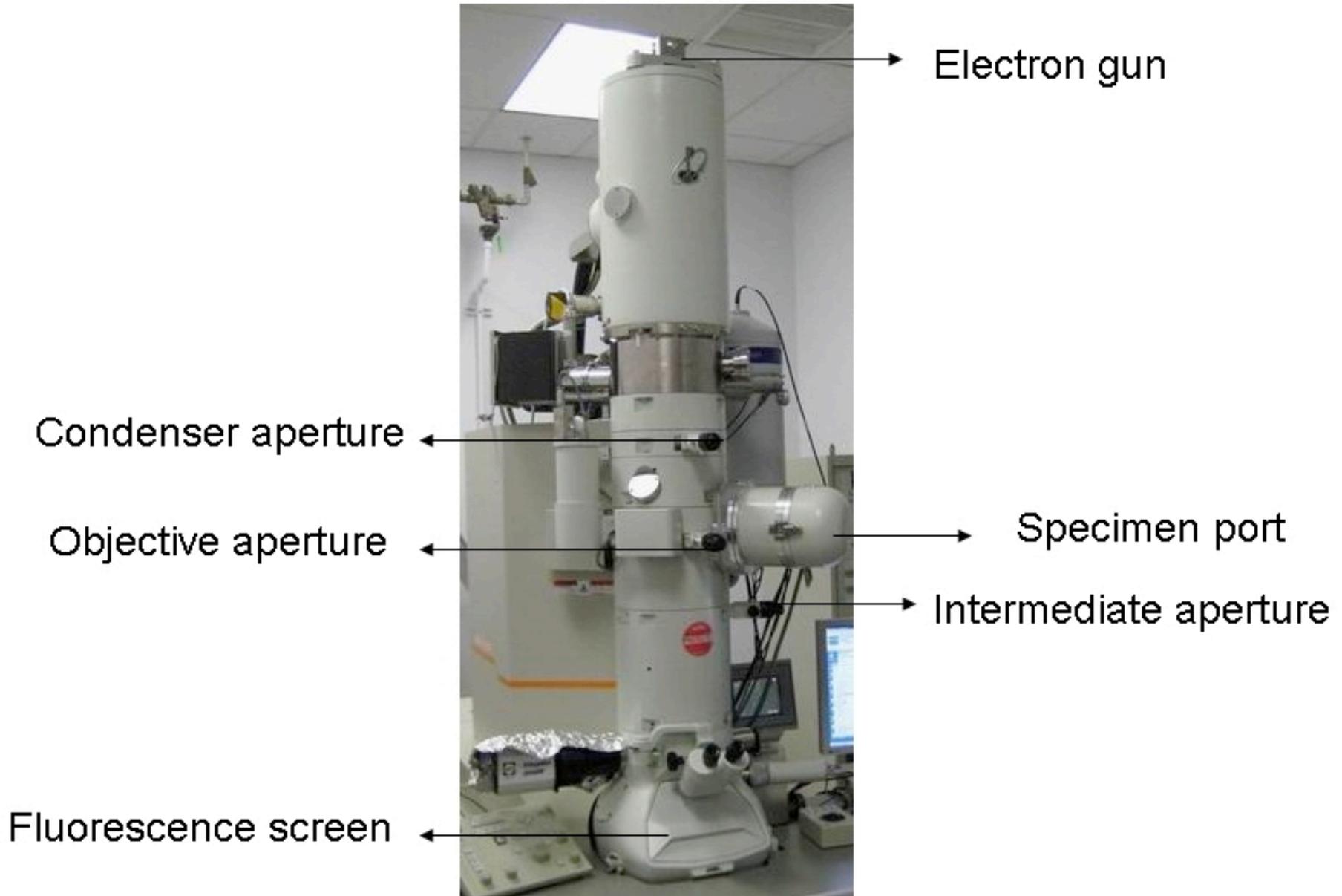
Ruska and Knoll in the 1931.

John Cowley with Sumio Iijima



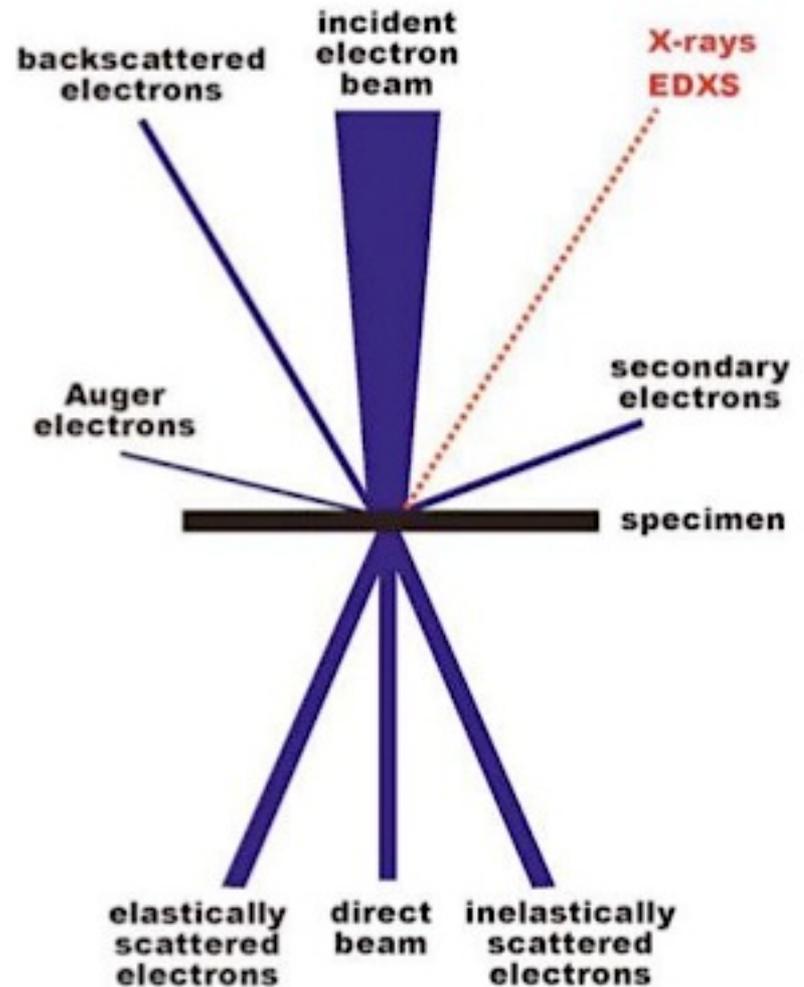
John Cowley with Sumio Iijima at the controls of the JEM-100B (Tempe, 1974)

Layout of a Transmission Electron Microscope

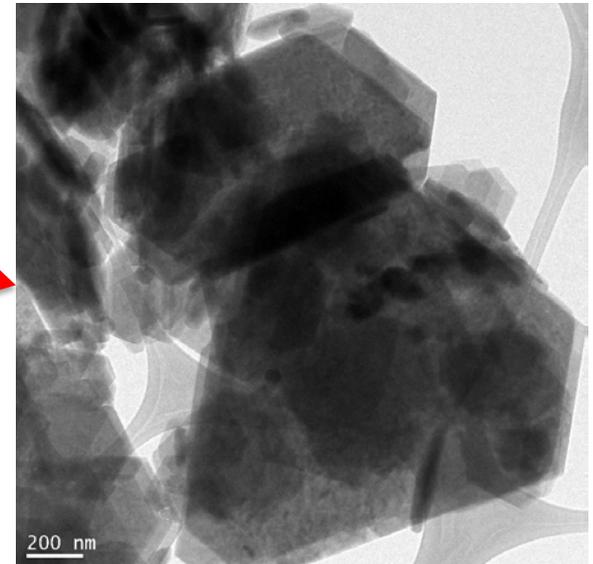
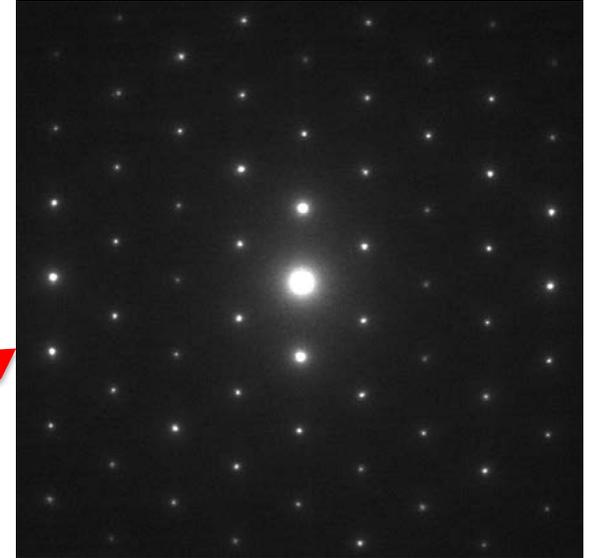
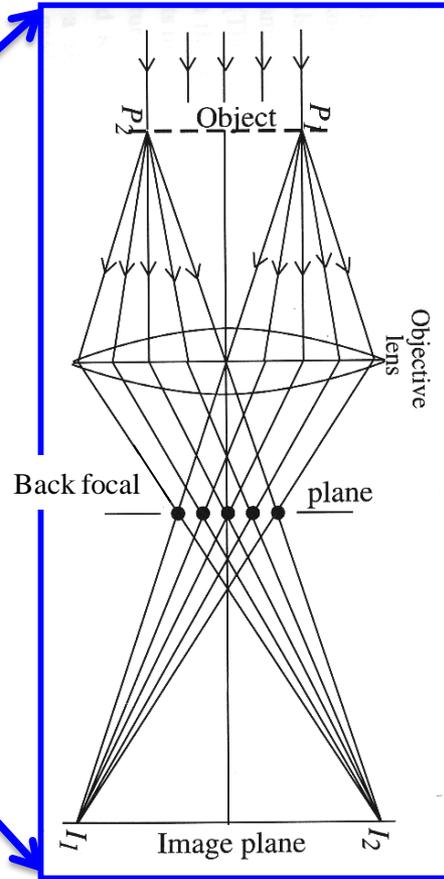
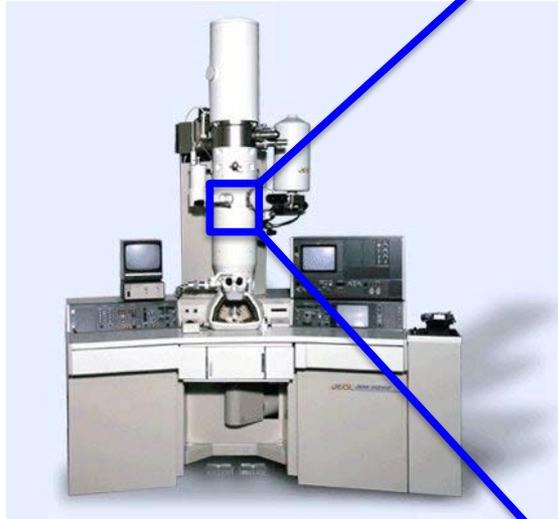


Electron Matter Interactions

- Electrons are easily scattered.
- Elastic scattering
 - no change in energy.
 - diffraction
- Inelastic scattering
 - transferring energy to the sample.
 - Used for microanalysis:



Electron imaging and diffraction

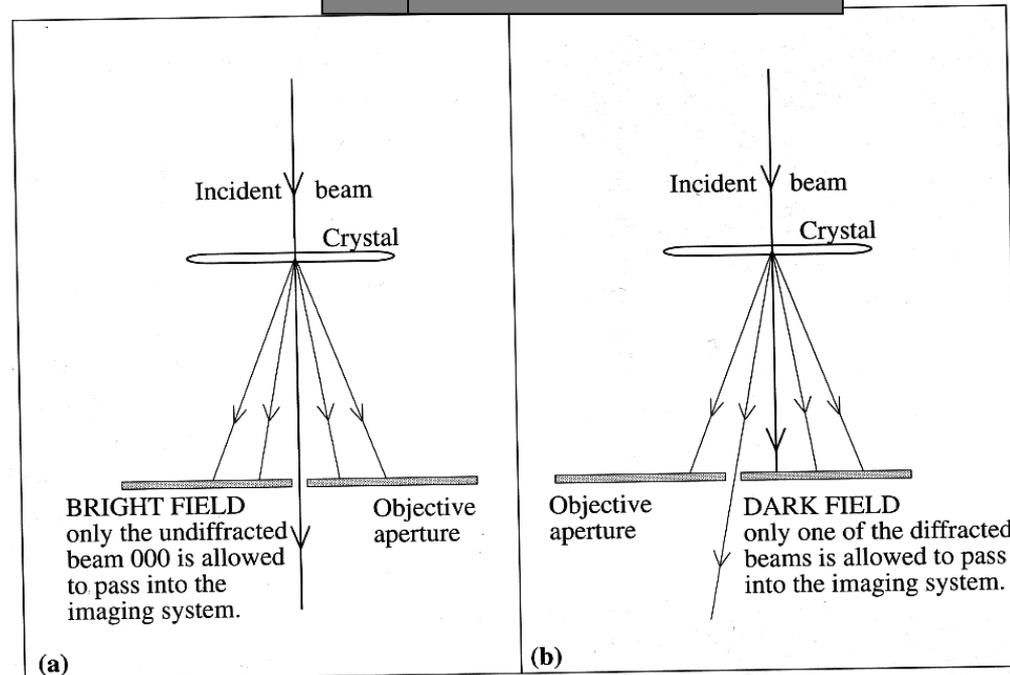
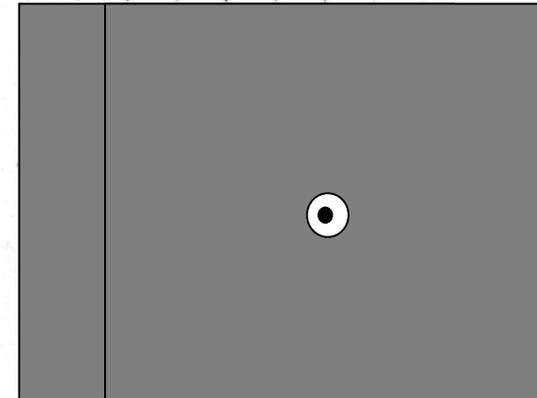


Back focal plane – diffraction pattern
Image plane - image

Kaolinite along [001]

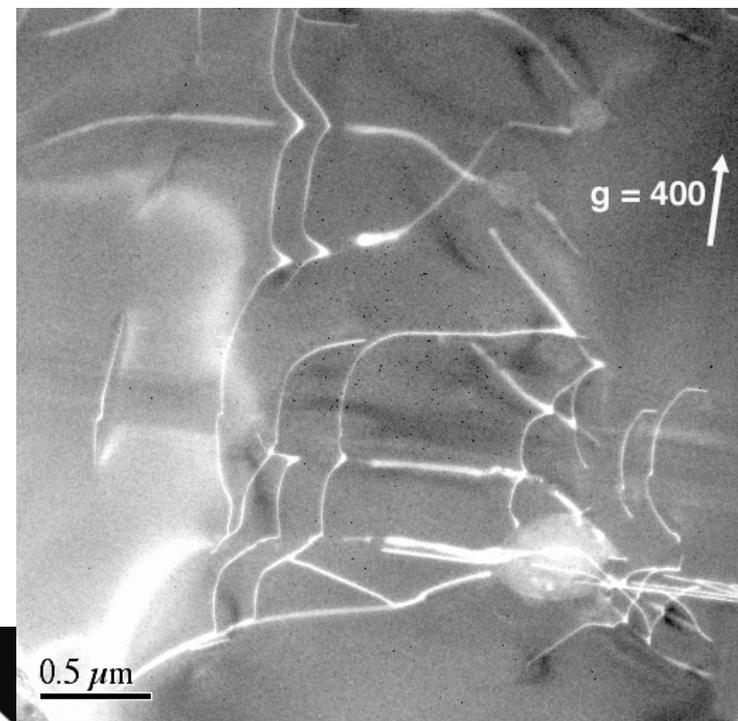
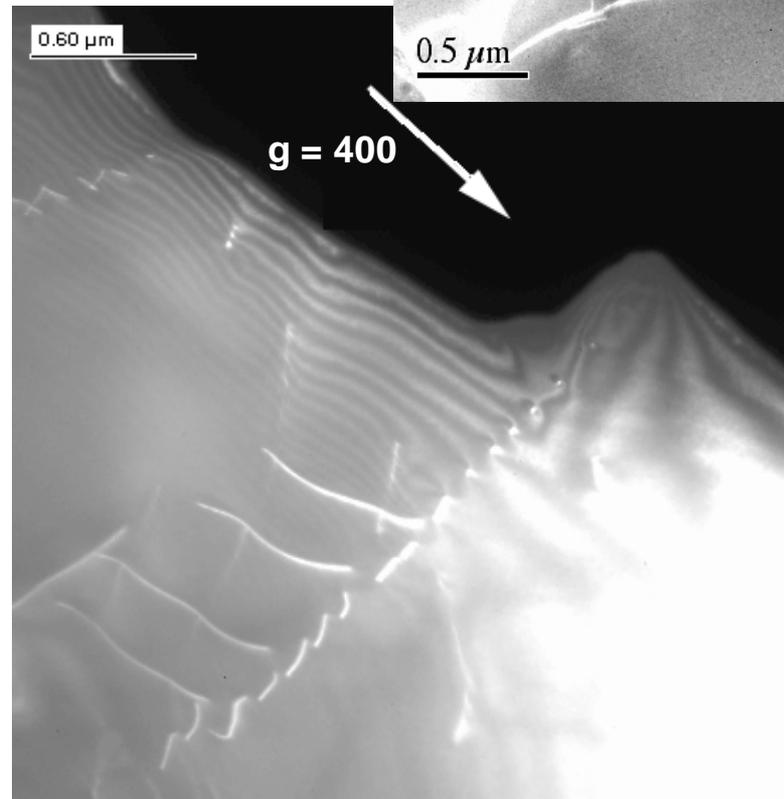
Diffraction Contrast Imaging

- Each diffracted spot corresponds to a set of lattice planes.
 - Each spot contains information from the entire image (selected)
- Bright-Field Imaging
 - Use only the central spot.
- Dark-Field Imaging
 - Use one of the diffracted spots
 - Tilt the crystal to or near a Bragg condition



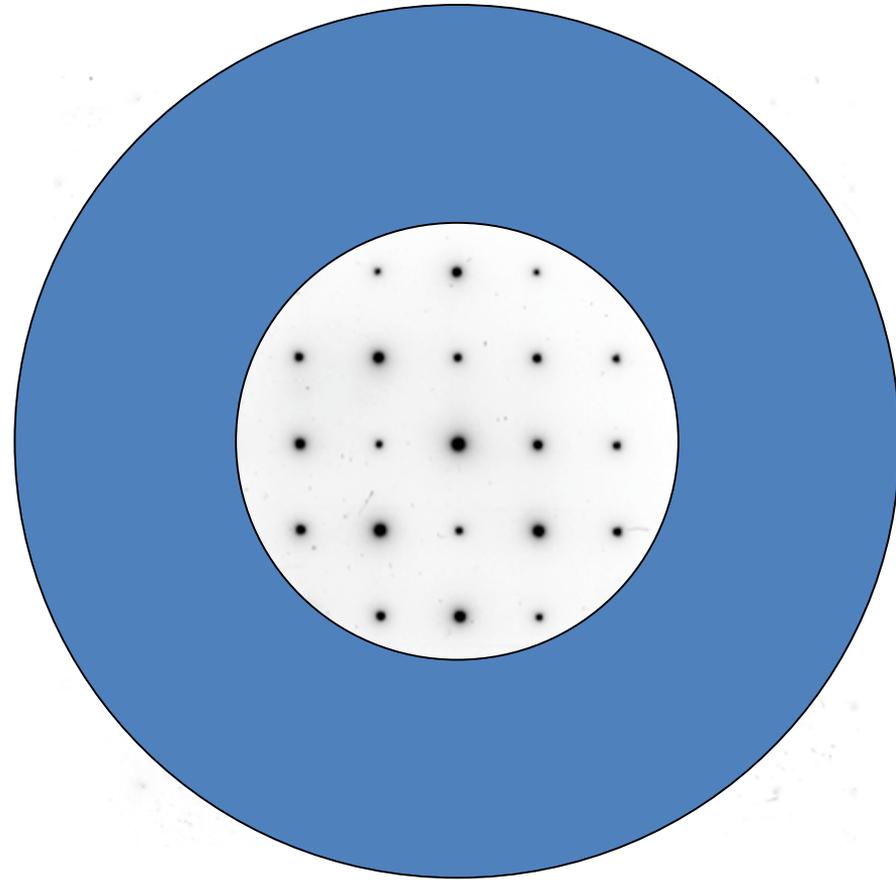
DF Image of Olivine dislocations, $b=[100]$

- Complex mixed character
 - Edge and screw dislocations in a (010) foil
 - Slip system $[100](010)$
- Tilt boundaries along (100)
 - Edge dislocations with $\mathbf{u} \sim [010]$
 - Slip system $[100](001)$



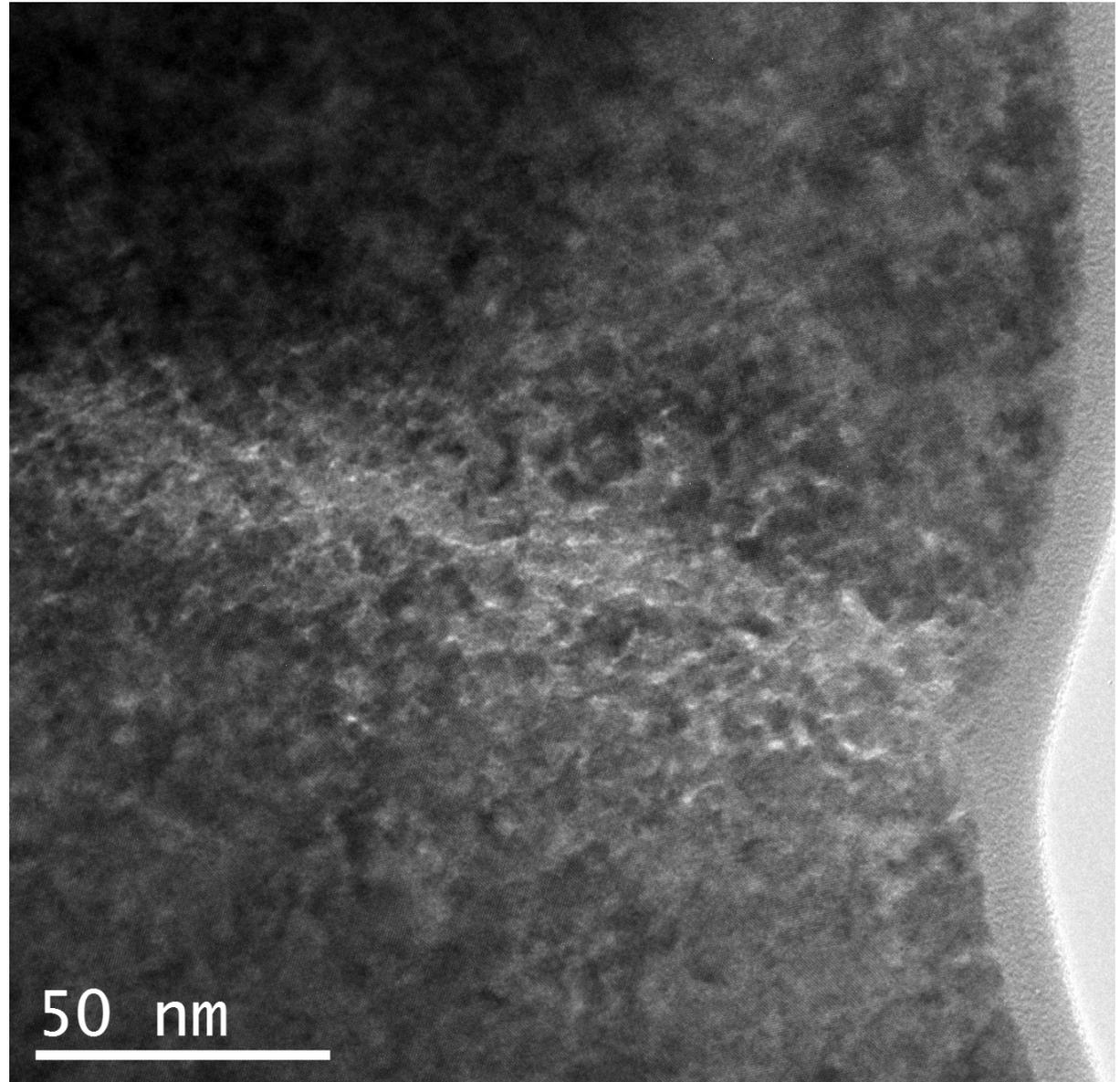
HRTEM (Phase Contrast)

- Imaging down a zone axis many diffracted beams.
 - Use a large objective aperture.
 - Image of the crystal lattice with nearly atomic resolution
- Phase contrast
 - Contrast from phase differences between the diffracted beams.
- Dynamic diffraction
 - Complex image contrast variations with sample thickness and defocus.



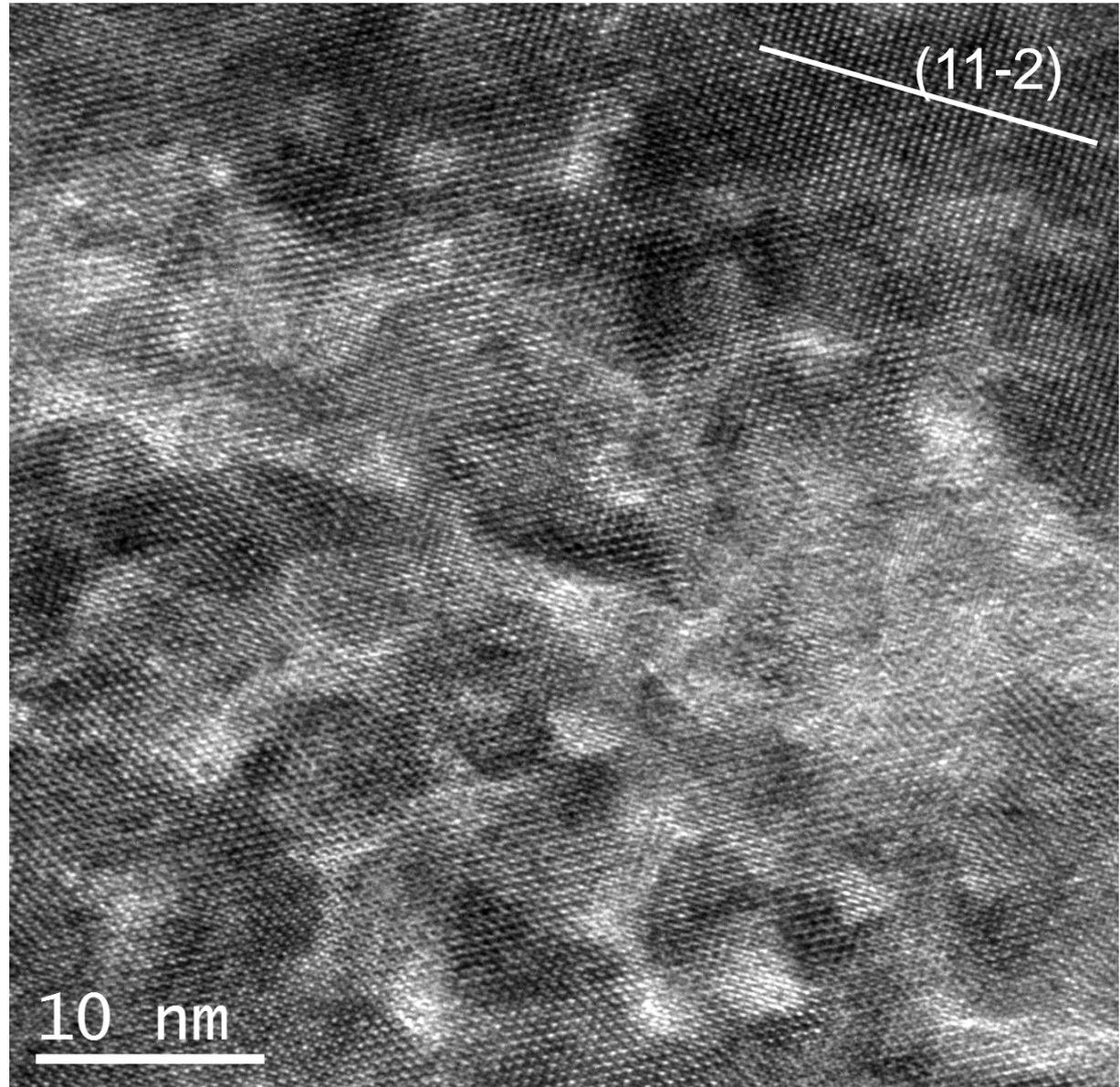
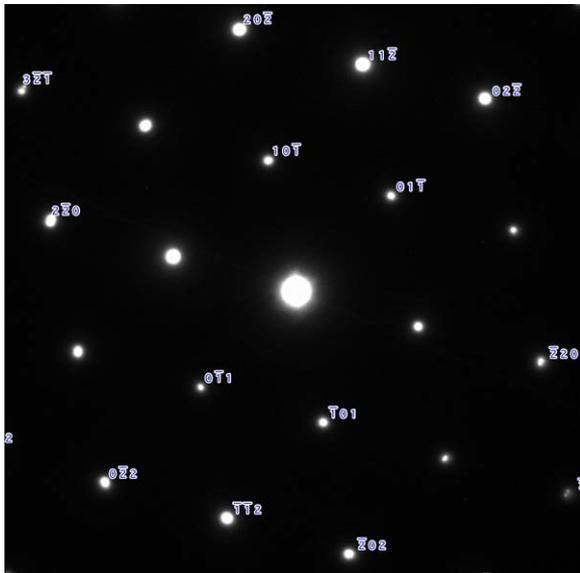
Zircon twin boundary

Phase contrast image along [111] showing damaged regions that appear lighter.



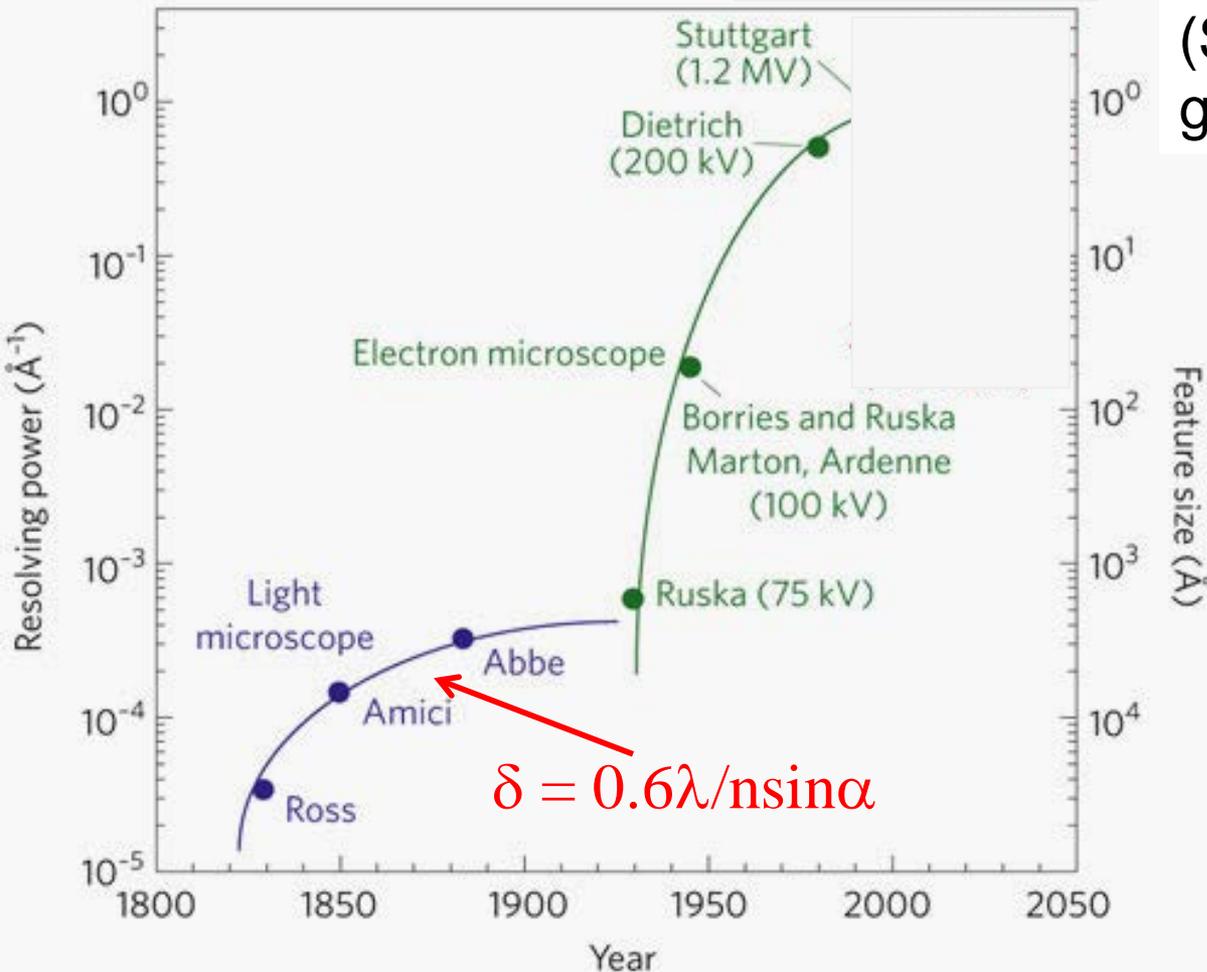
Zircon twin boundary

Higher magnification image of disordered domains.



Improving TEM resolution

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For electron microscope the (Scherzer) resolution is given by

$$\delta = 0.66\lambda^{3/4}C_s^{1/4}$$

Increase the accelerating voltage to reduce the wavelength.

Historical approach to resolution improvement

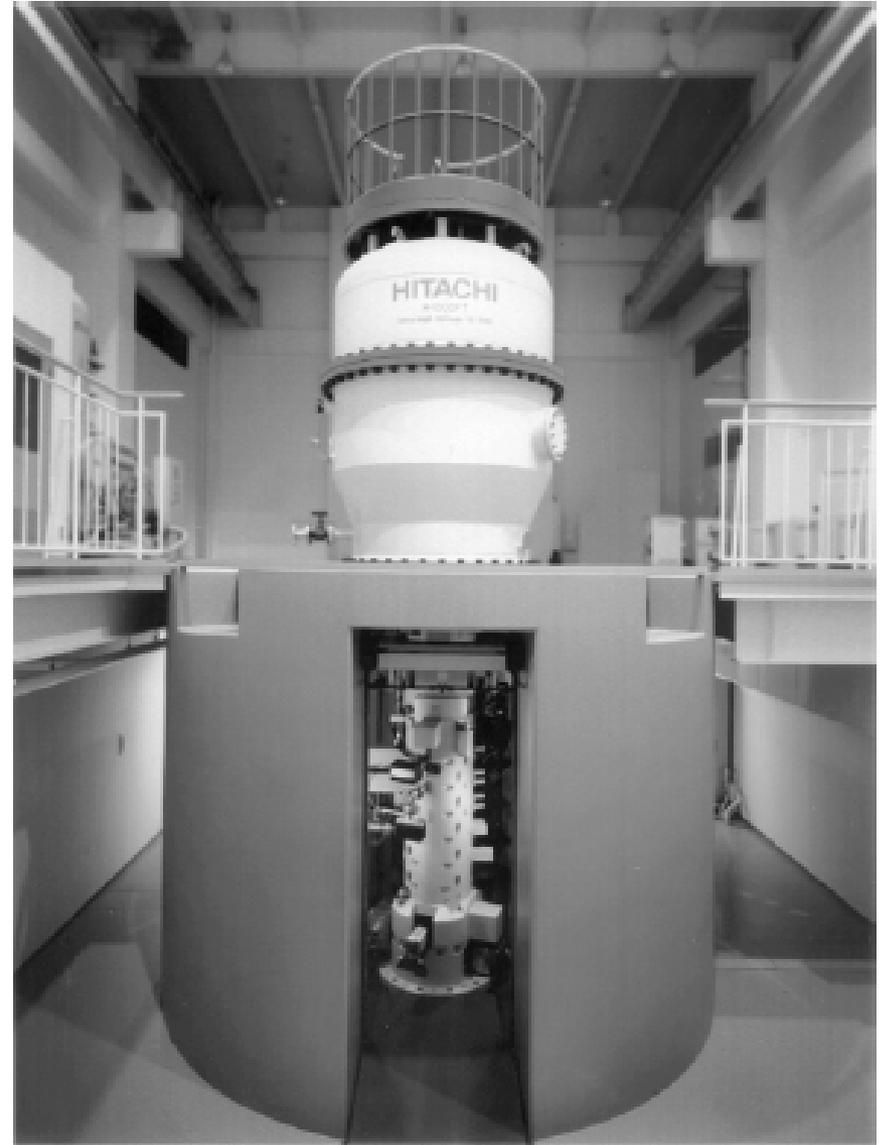
Use higher-voltages for shorter wavelengths

Problems:

- Difficult to house a giant TEM
- Electron beam damage

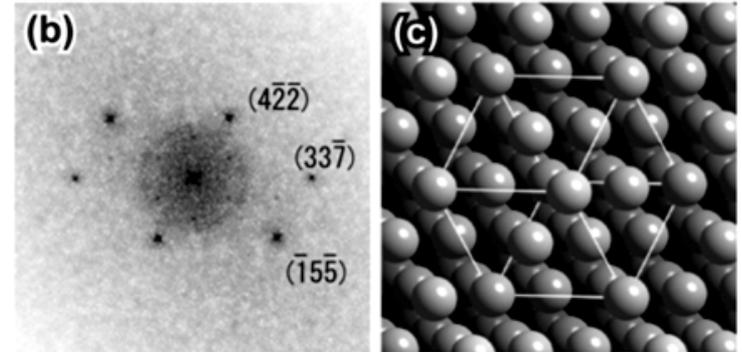
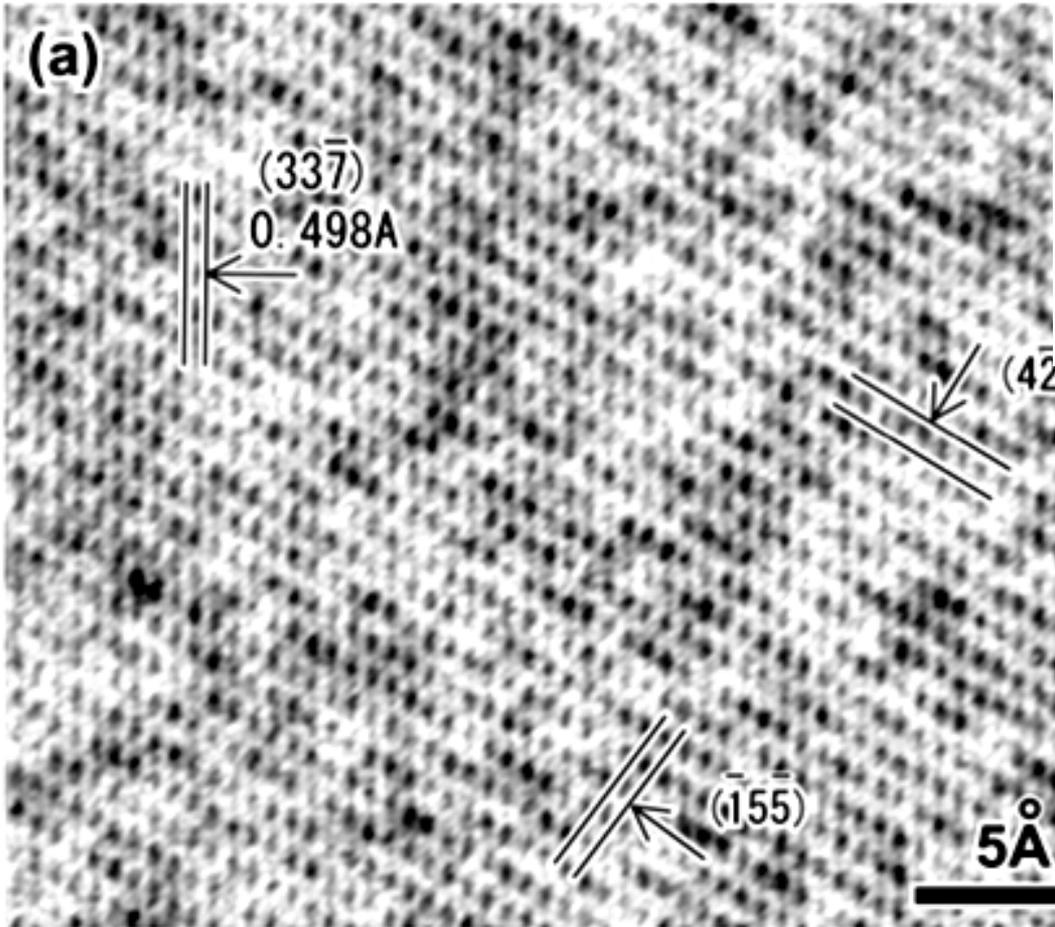
**Hitachi 1-MeV
FE-HRTEM**

Tonomura, J. Electron Micr. **52**, 11 (2003)



“World record” lattice fringe spacing

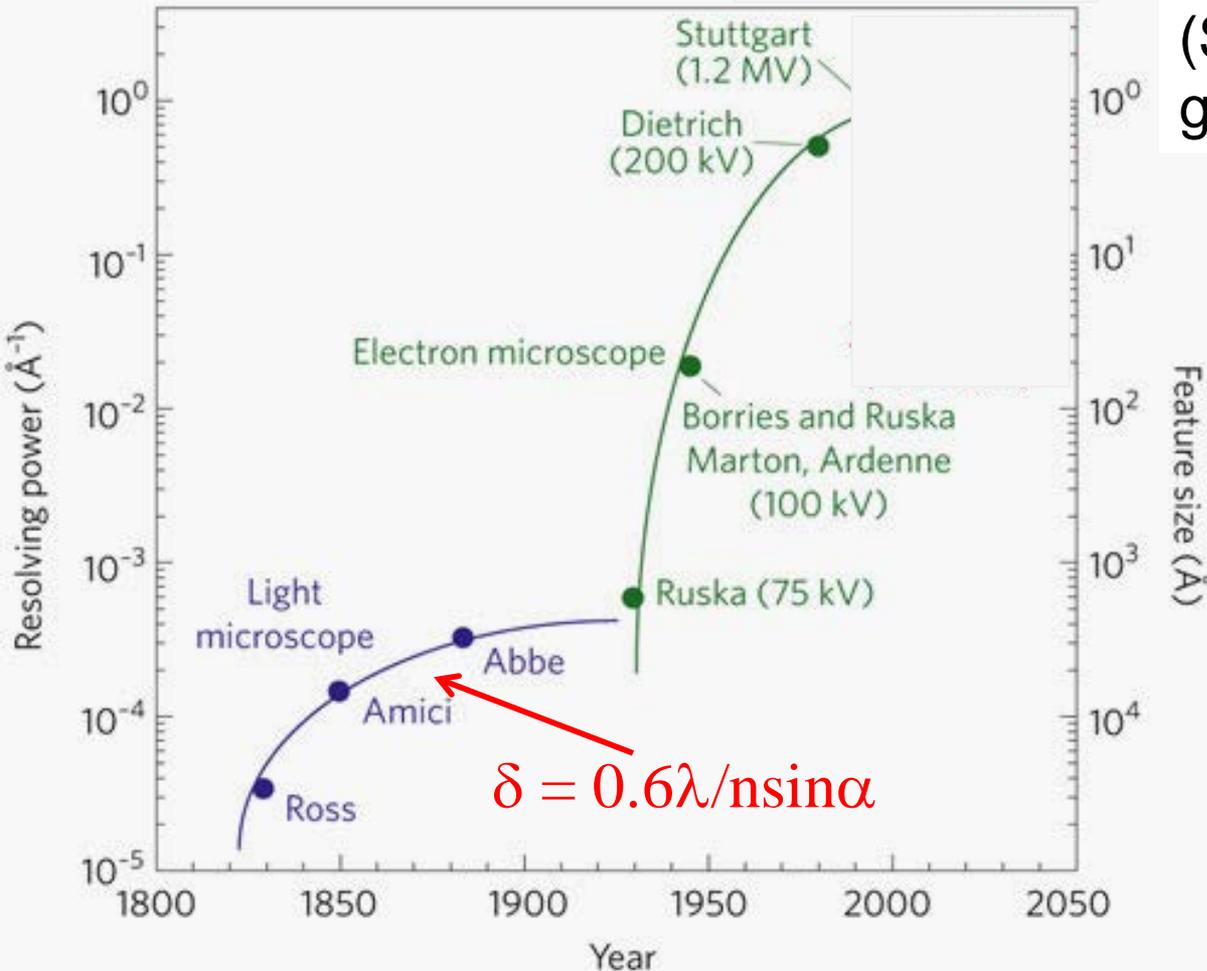
Lattice fringes at 1.0 MeV - **beyond 0.5Å**



from Kawasaki *et al.*, Appl. Phys. Lett. **76**, 1342 (2000)

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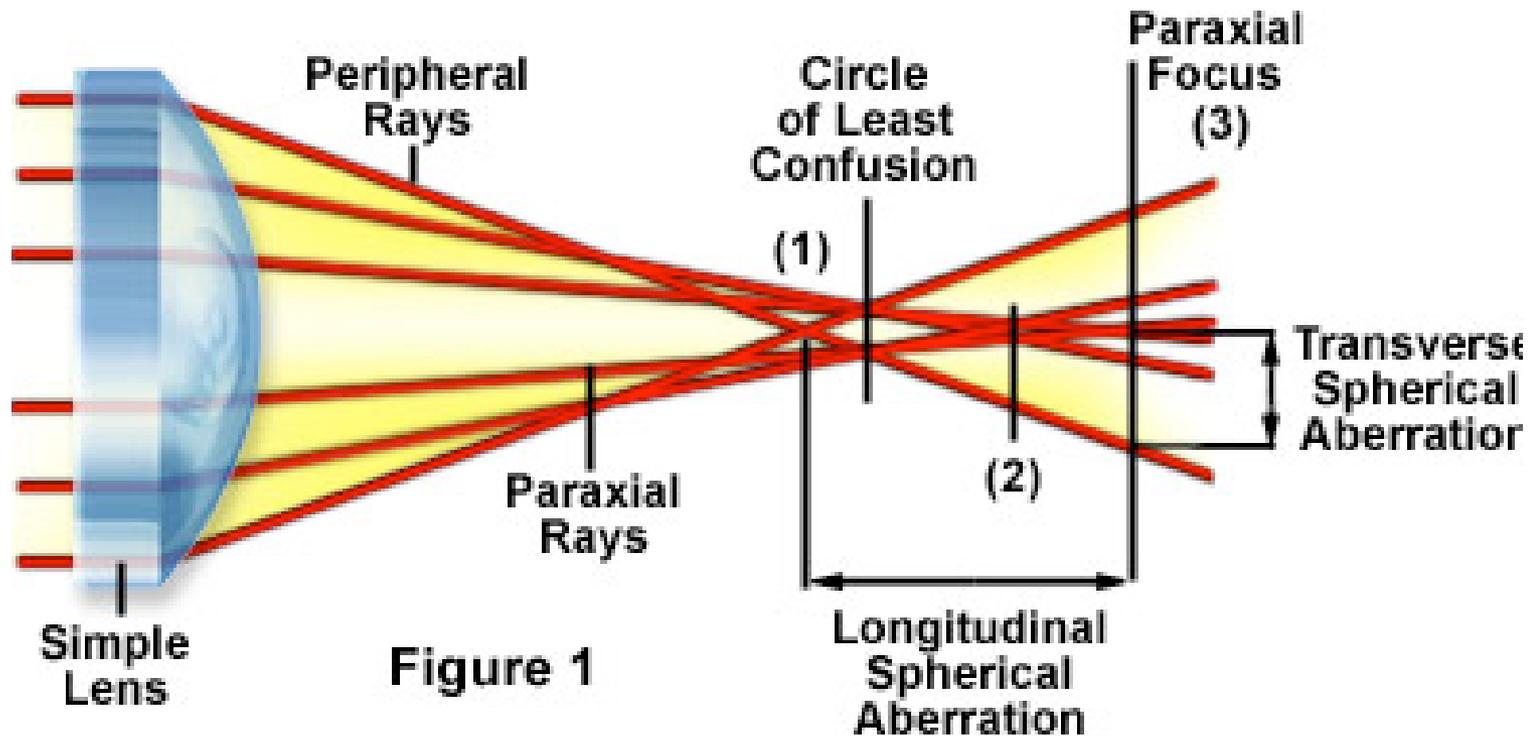
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Modern microscopes correct the C_s

Aberration corrected TEM and STEM

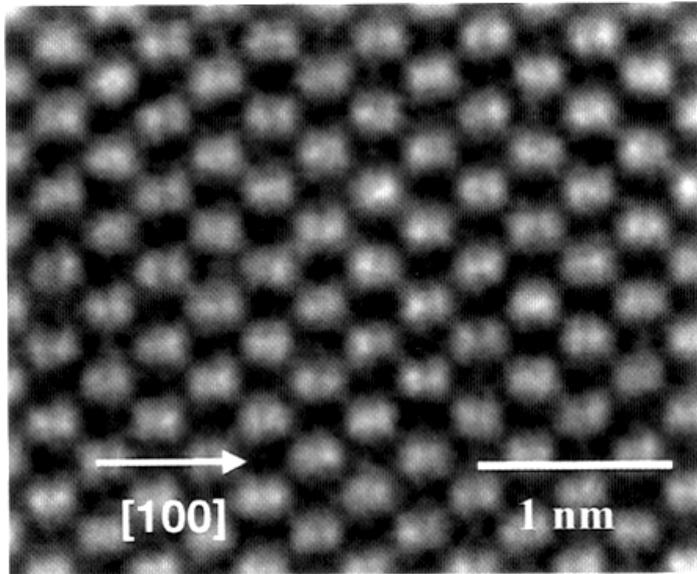
Spherical Aberration

Longitudinal and Transverse Spherical Aberration

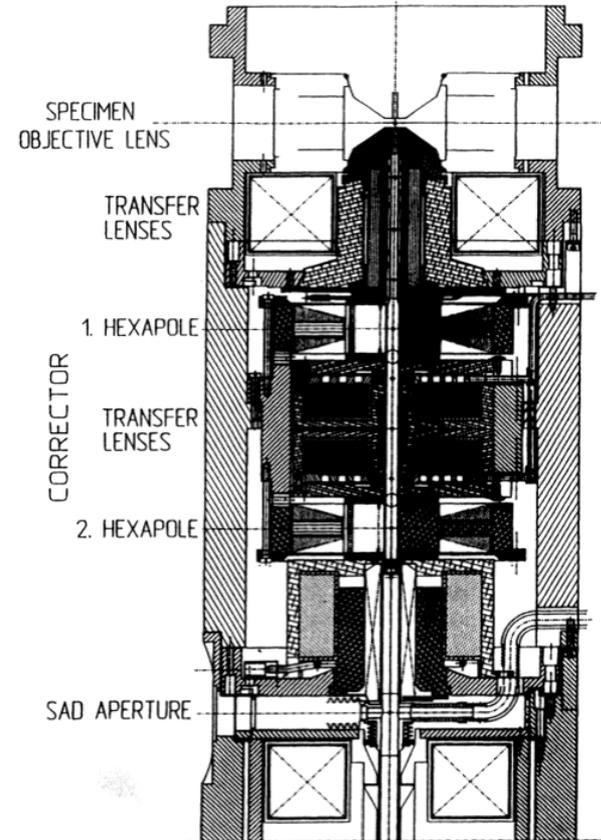


Aberration-correction in TEM

Design of the first successful
aberration-corrected 200-keV FEG-TEM



GaAs showing individual
atomic columns after
application of C_s correction.
Atoms separated by 1.4 Å



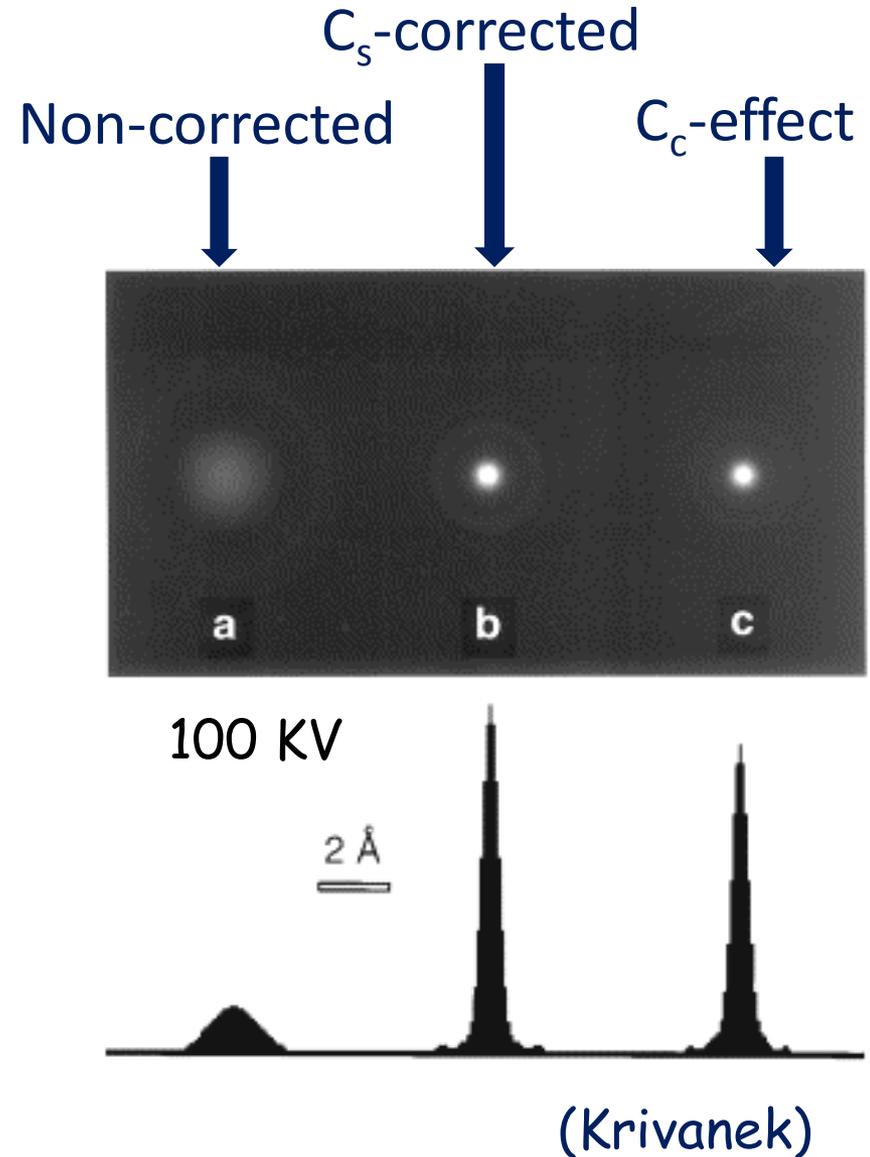
Schematic drawing of aberration
correction device placed between
objective and diffraction lenses.

from Haider, *et al.*, *Ultramicroscopy*, **75**, 53 (1998)

Aberration-correction in STEM

Allowing use of large objective aperture

- Smaller probe size
- Higher probe current



Southwest Center for Aberration Corrected Electron Microscopy

Building designed to meet environmental needs of aberration-corrected STEM/TEM

4-foot thick Isolated foundation for vibration isolation

Isolated power with no ground loops in floor or walls

Tight temperature control with minimal airflow

Space for four advanced microscopes:

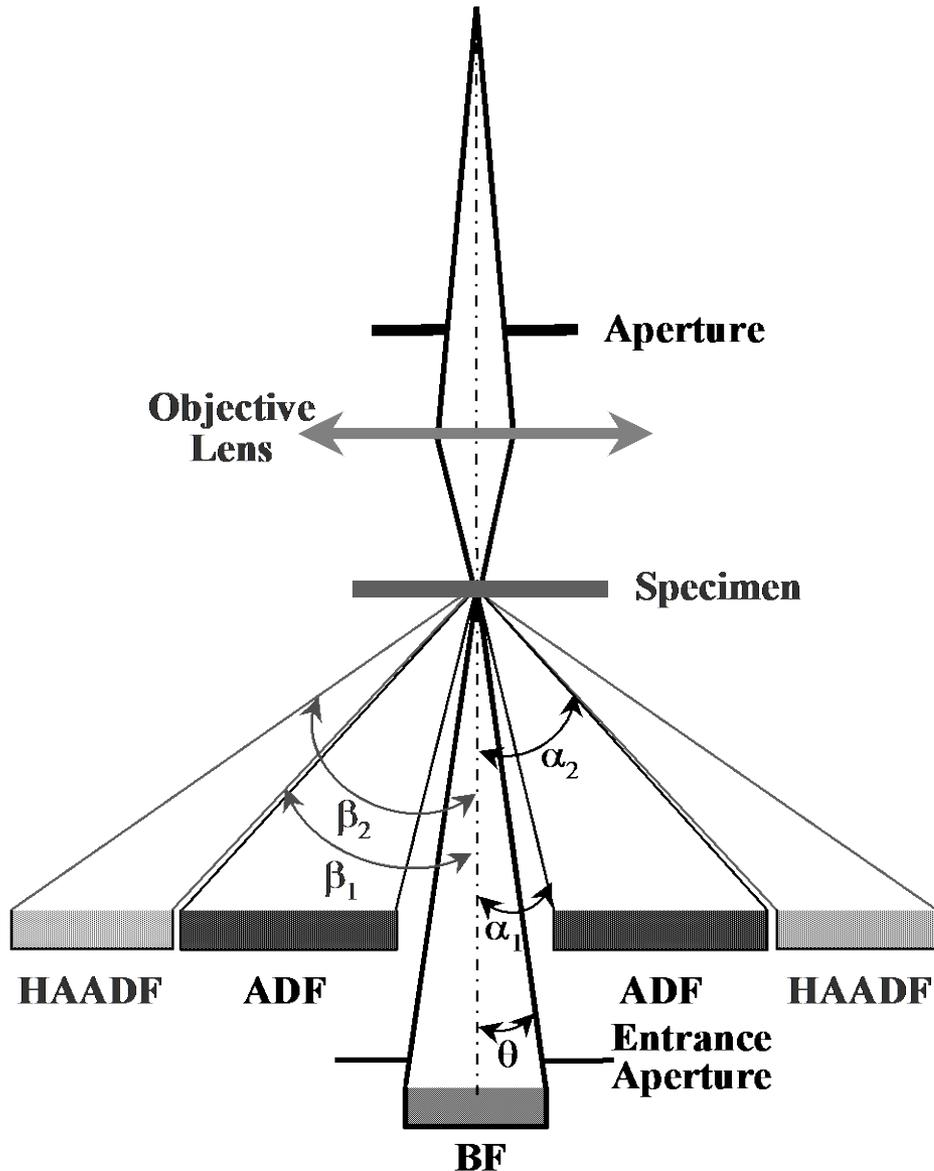


Jeol ARM200F

- Aberration-Corrected STEM for Imaging and Spectrum Mapping
 - Operates at 80, 120, and 200 kV.
 - Field-emission electron gun
 - Corrector: CEOS CESCOR
 - STEM resolution @ 200 kV ~ 0.8Å
@ 80 kV ~ 1.2 Å
 - JEOL EDX Detector (0.24 ster)
 - Gatan Enfium EELS spectrometer



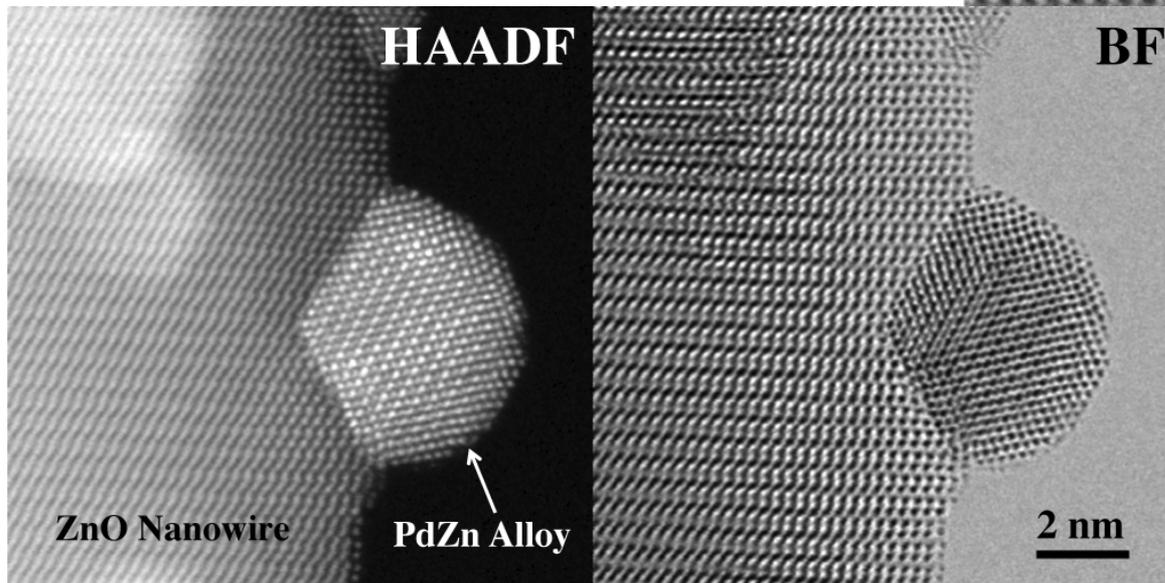
Formation of STEM images



- Bright-field STEM
- Annular bright-field (ABF)
- Large-angle BF (LABF)
- Low-angle ADF (LAADF)
- Medium-angle ADF (MAADF)
- High-angle ADF (HAADF)

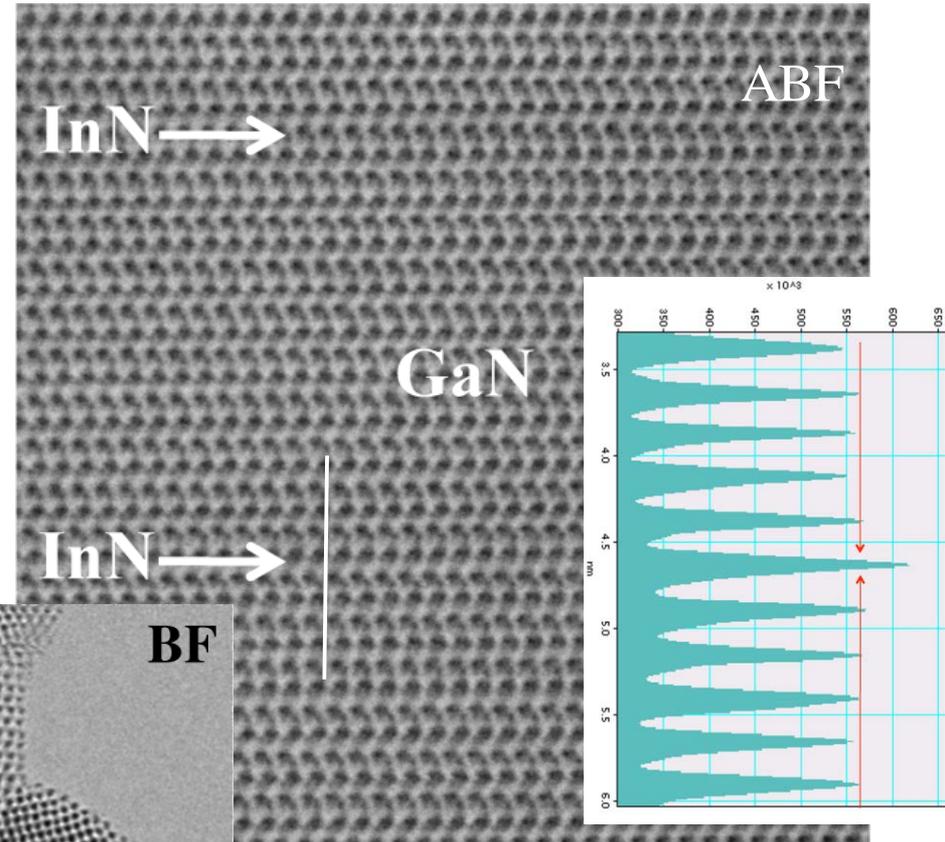
STEM Imaging

- BF: Bright-field; DF: Dark-field
- ABF: annular-bright-field
- MAADF: medium-angle annular-DF
- HAADF: high-angle annular-DF



Simultaneous HAADF and BF images of endotaxially anchored PdZn alloy nanoparticle on ZnO nanowire.

Courtesy of Jingyue Liu

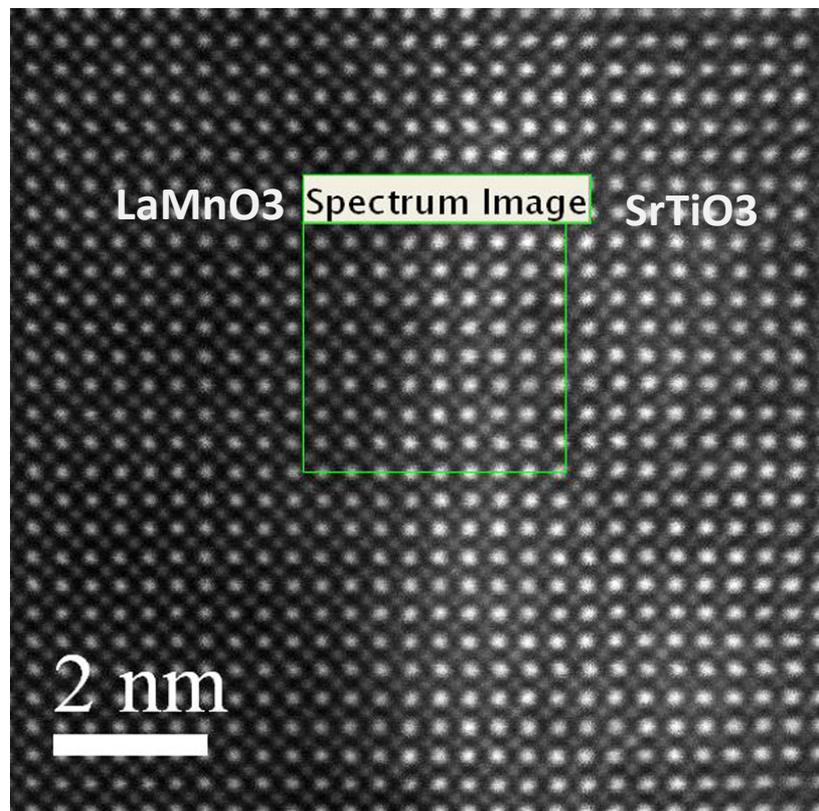


Courtesy of Lin Zhou

Annular-bright-field image and line scan showing one-monolayer-thick InN quantum wells in GaN matrix.

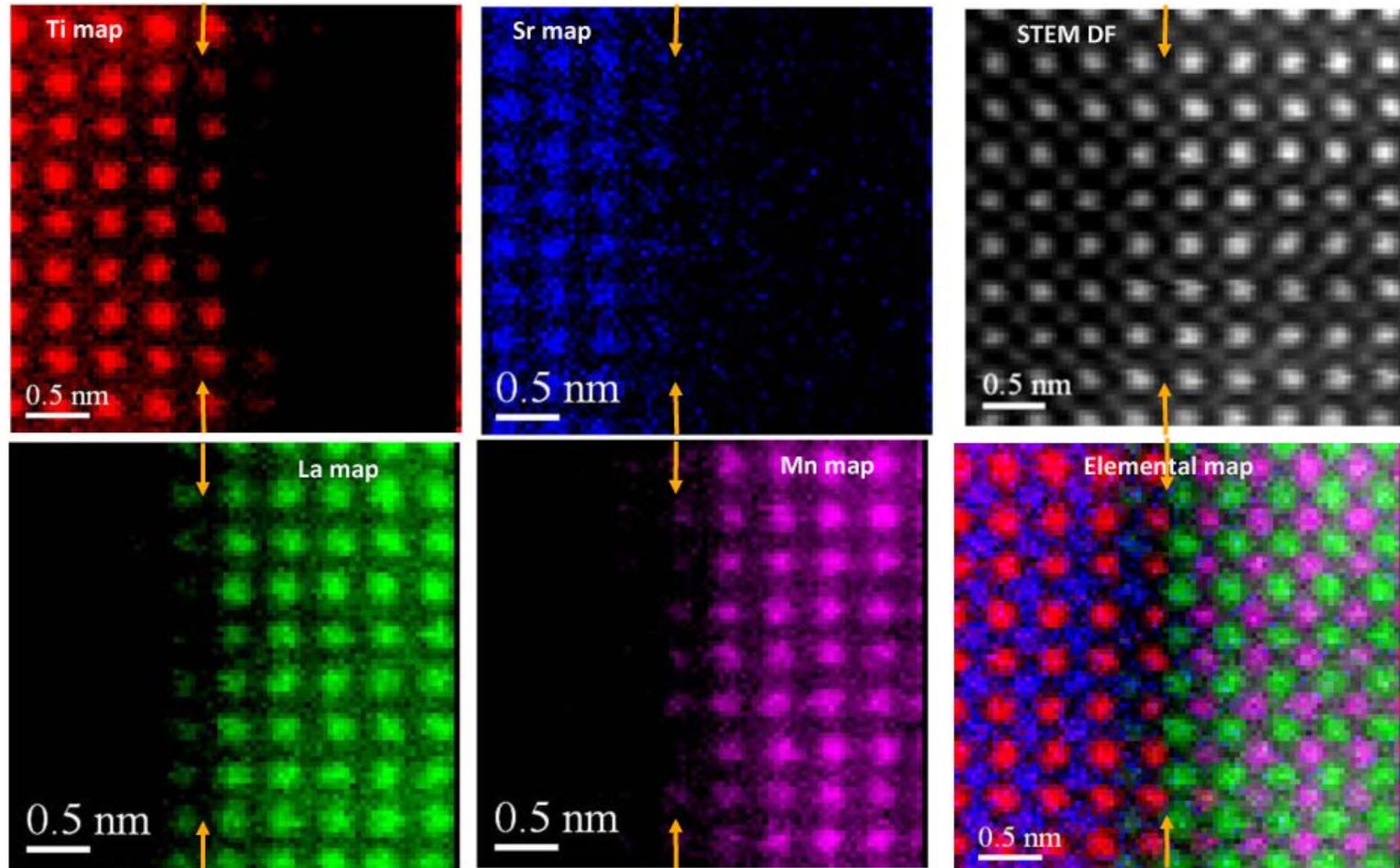
Imaging of a LaMnO₃/SrTiO₃ interface

- Fast collection of EELS spectra combined with STEM imaging
- Atomic-resolution chemical mapping



STEM HAADF image of SrTiO₃/LaMnO₃ interface, used as survey image for EELS Spectrum imaging

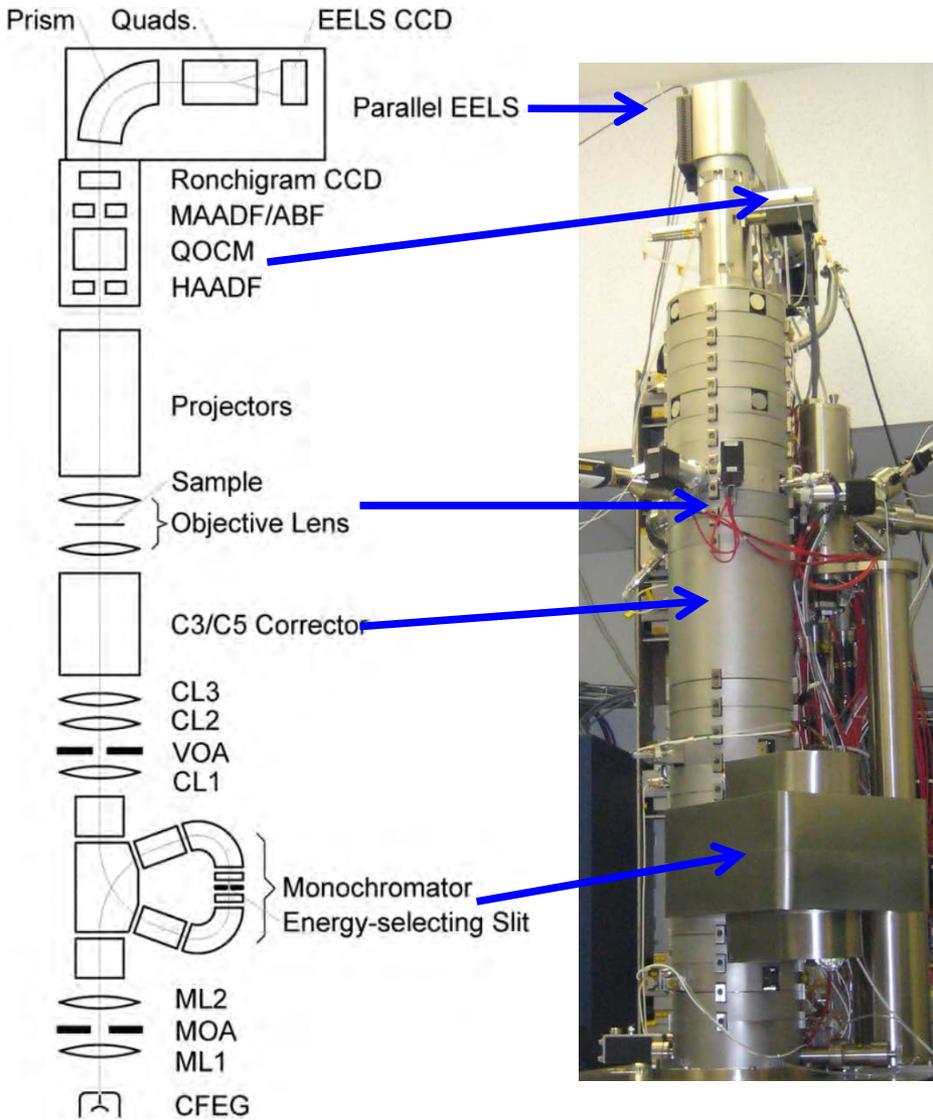
EELS Spectrum Imaging



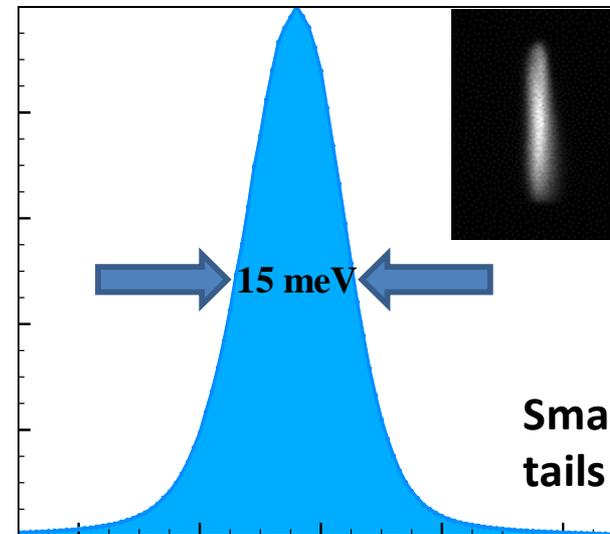
Chemical mapping across $\text{LaMnO}_3/\text{SrTiO}_3$ interface.

Courtesy of Paolo Longo

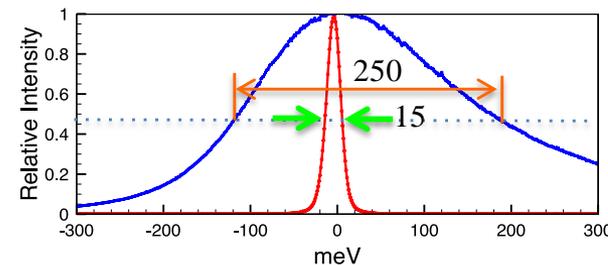
NION UltraSTEM Monochromated STEM/EELS at 40/60/100kV



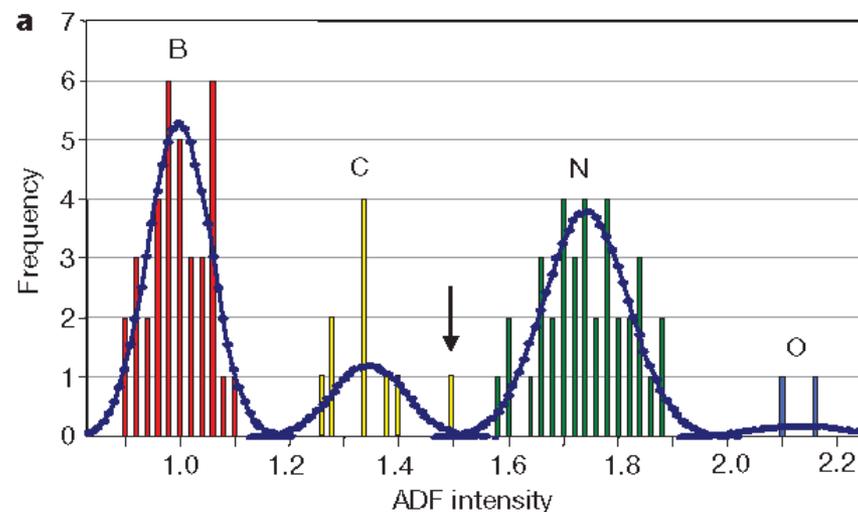
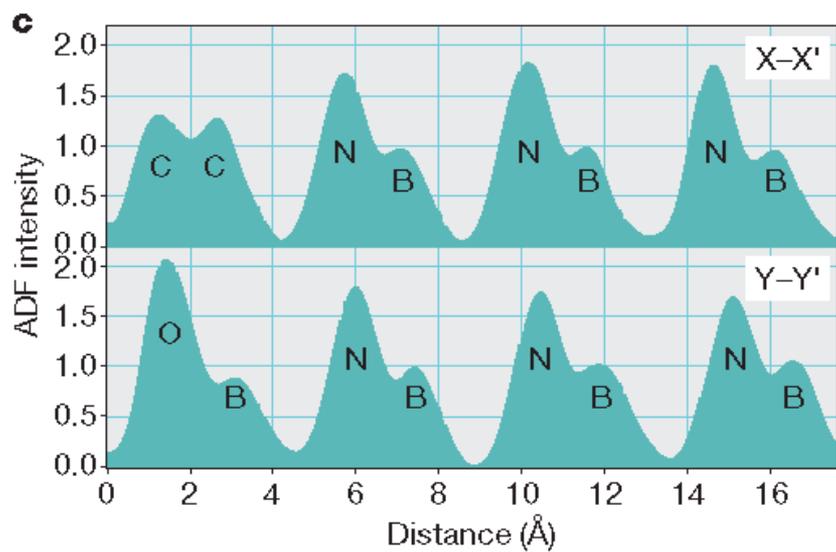
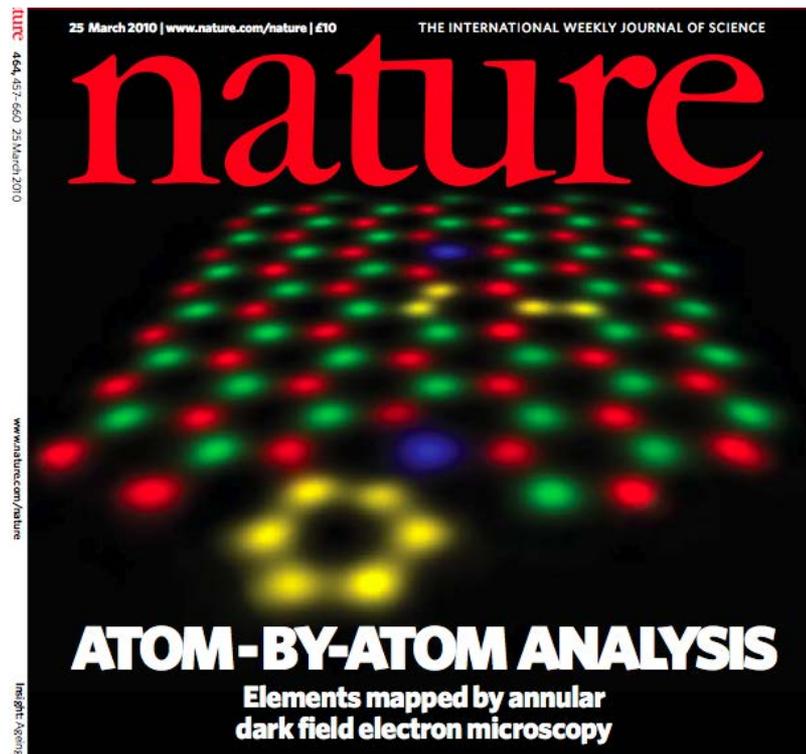
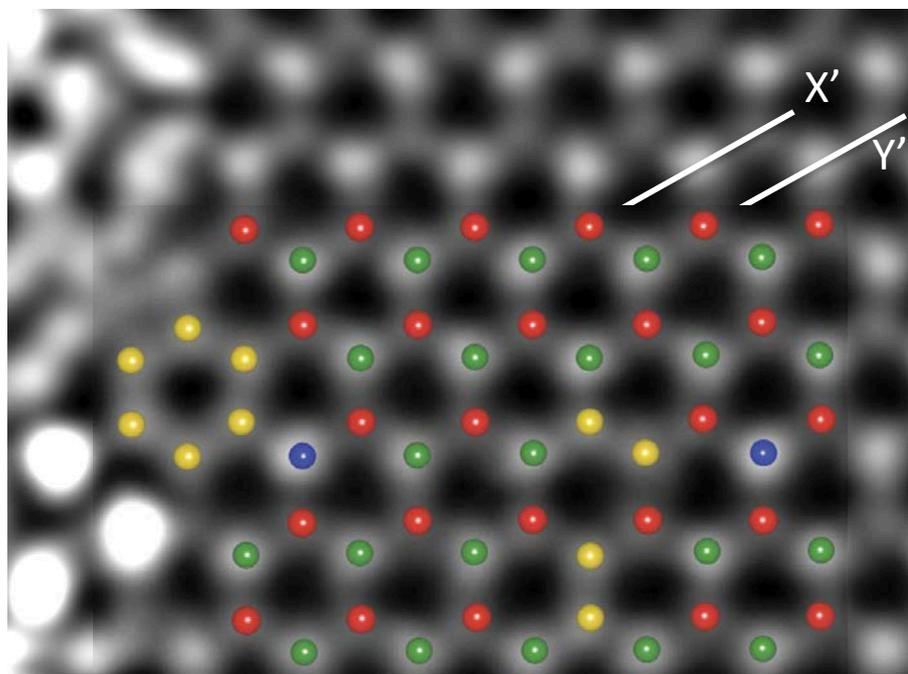
Nion high-energy resolution monochromated EELS systems (HERMES)



Typical on ASU
15 - 30 meV

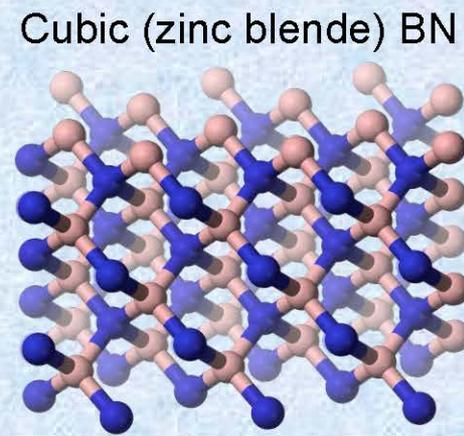
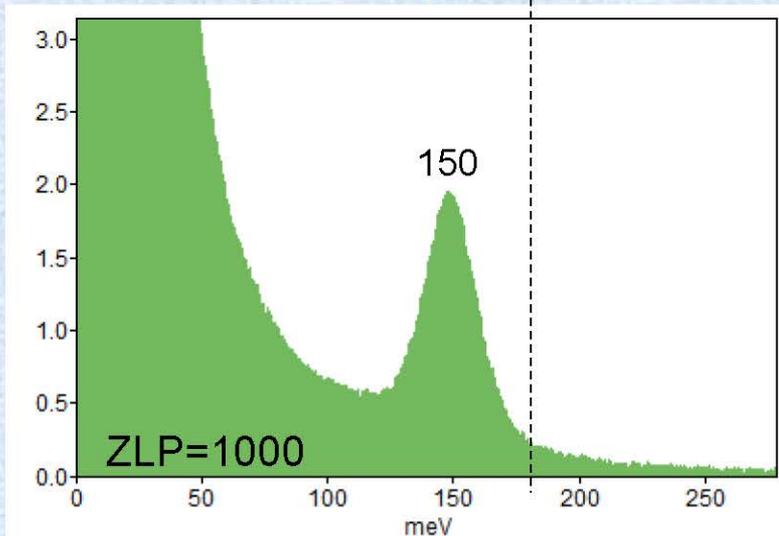
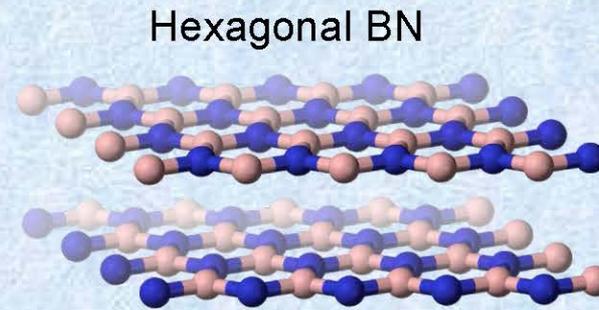
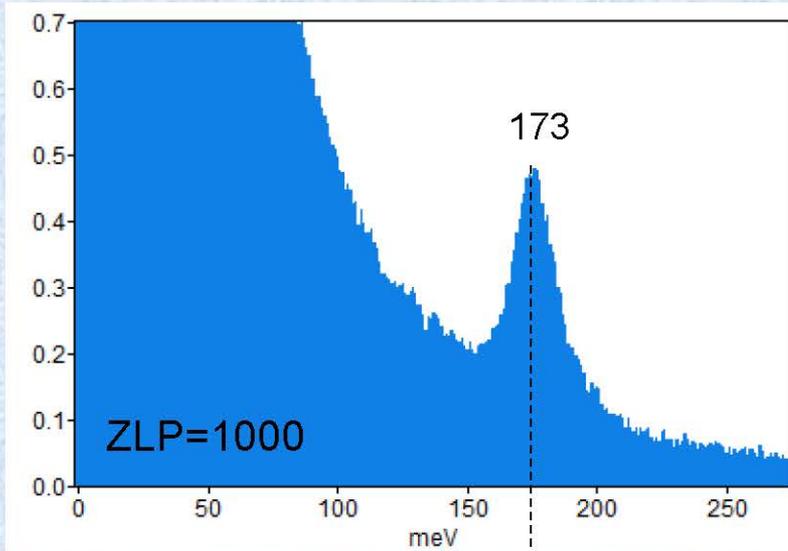


ASU record
12 meV



From Krivanek, *et al.* Nature, 29 March, 2010

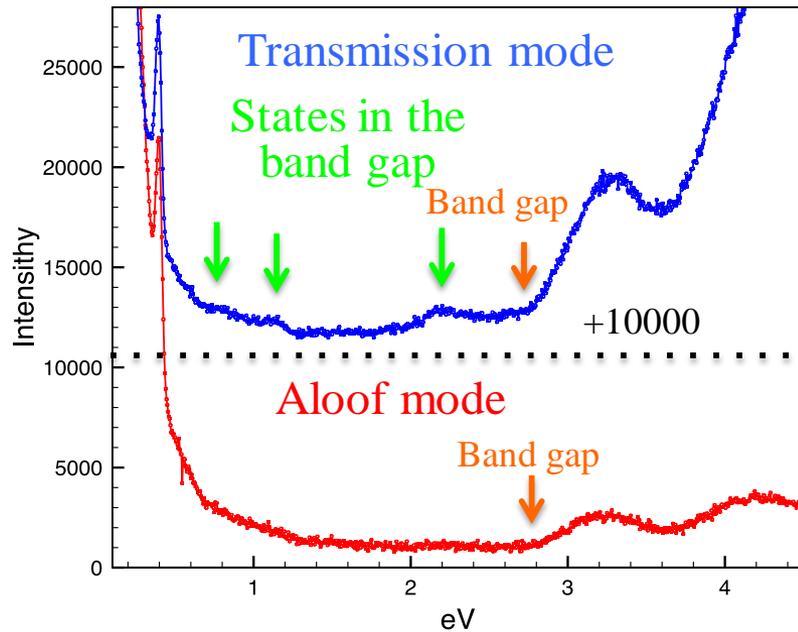
Boron Nitride phonons: hexagonal vs. cubic



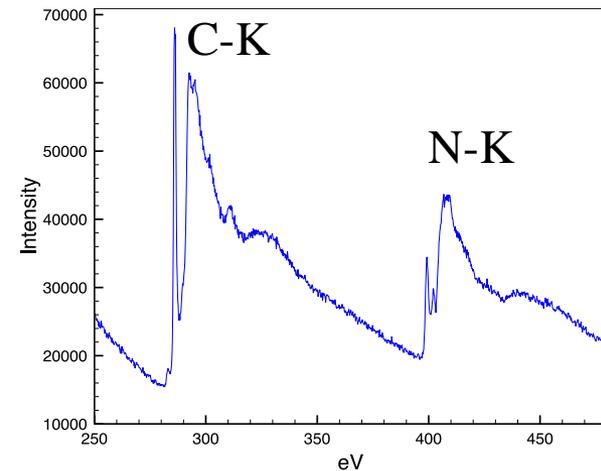
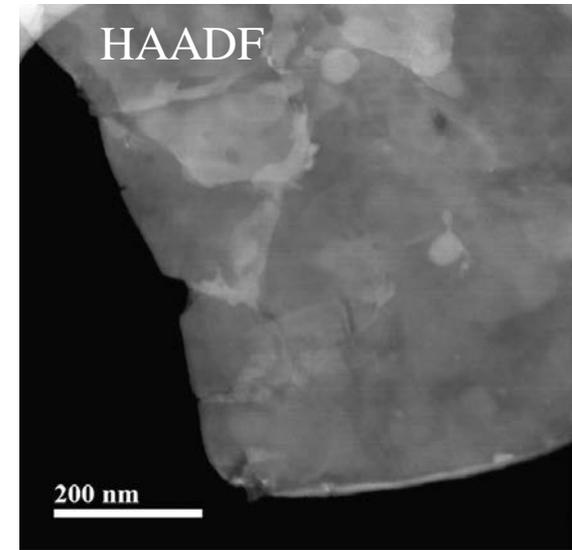
Quentin Ramasse, Fredrik Hage (Daresbury SuperSTEM), Rebecca Nicholls (Oxford) and Keith Refson (Rutherford Appleton Labs)



Aloof beam spectroscopy of radiation sensitive materials



VEELS of C₃N₄ in transmission and aloof modes.



HAADF images of C₃N₄ and EELS spectrum showing C-K and N-K edges

FEI Titan ETEM

(S)TEM that operates at 80, 200, & 300 kV.

X-FEG:

Ultrahigh-brightness electron gun

Monochromator:

Energy resolution ~ 0.15 eV

Imaging Corrector: CEOS CETCOR

Information limit @ 300 kV < 0.9 Å

@ 80 kV ~ 1.9 Å

(mono off)

@ 80 kV ~ 1 Å

(mono on)

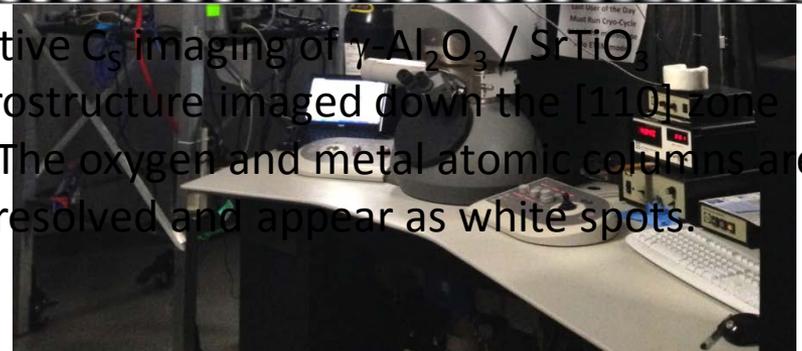
Analytical (S)TEM:

EDAX EDX Detector (0.13sr)

Gatan Imaging Filter/EELS spectrometer

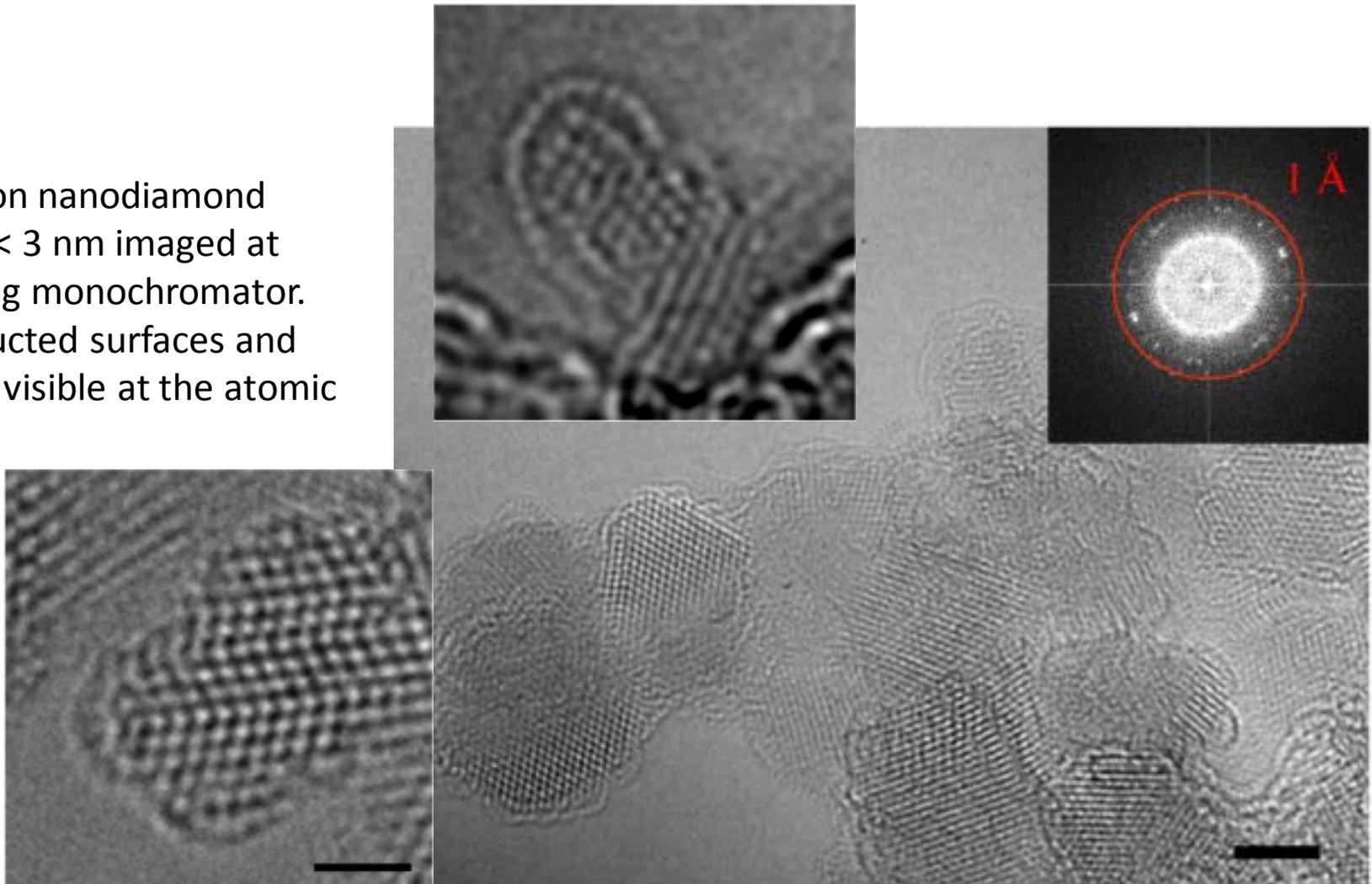


Negative C_s imaging of $\gamma\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3 / \text{SrTiO}_3$ heterostructure imaged down the [110] zone axis. The oxygen and metal atomic columns are well-resolved and appear as white spots.



Low Voltage Imaging

Detonation nanodiamond particles < 3 nm imaged at 80kV using monochromator. Reconstructed surfaces and twins are visible at the atomic level.



Environmental TEM

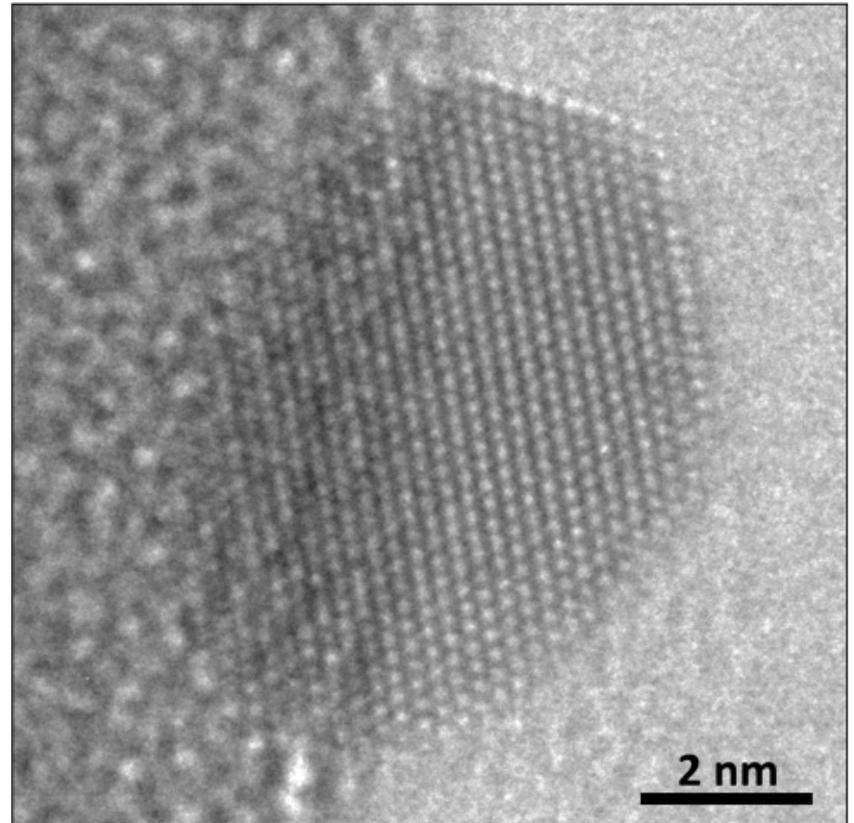
Environmental TEM:

Samples to be exposed to gaseous environment.

TEM allows rapid imaging and movies with atomic resolution.

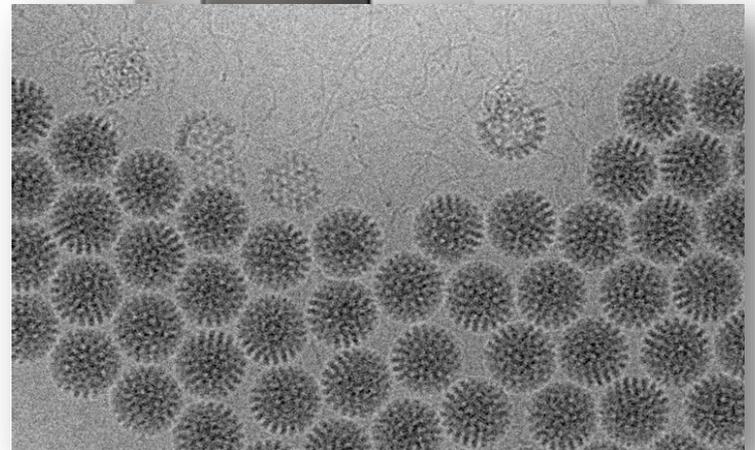
In-house gas system allows precise control and accurate mixing.

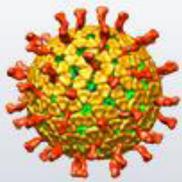
Heating and Cooling Holders: Sample observation at temperatures up to 1100°C or down to -170 °C.



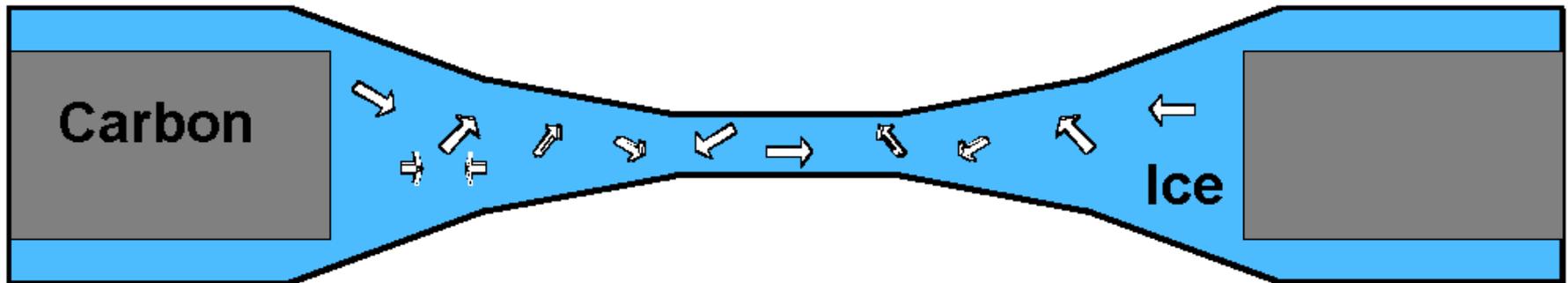
FEI Titan Krios

- FEI Titan Krios with a Gatan K2 Summit single-electron detector
- 2-3Å resolution in biological macromolecules
- Single particle analysis of proteins
- Cryo-electron tomography of cell structures

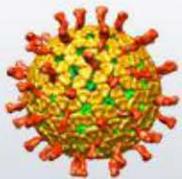




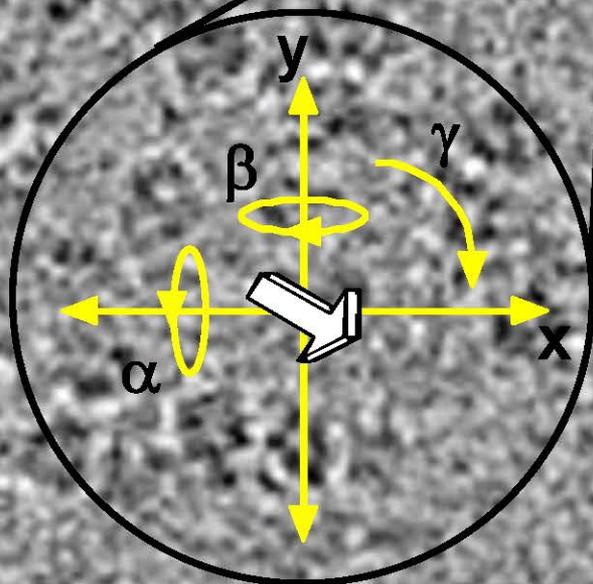
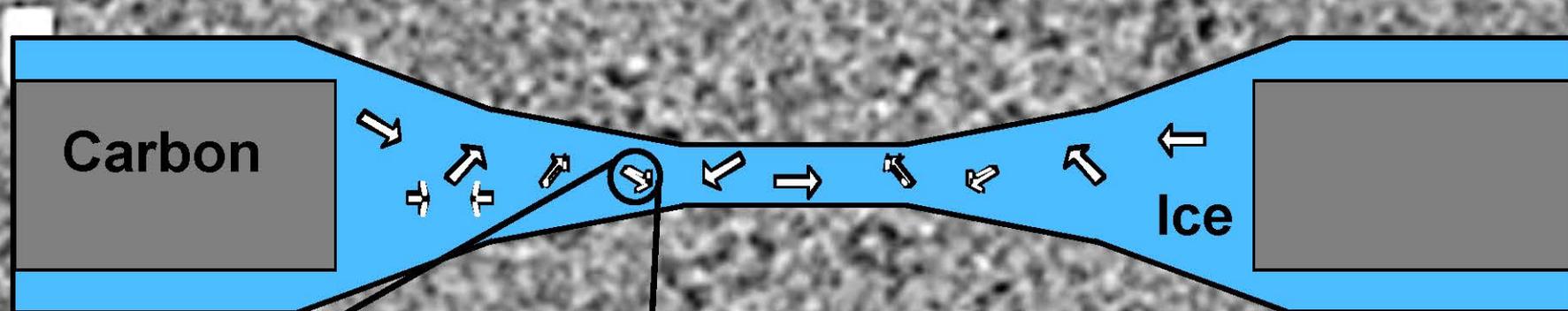
Why Cryo?



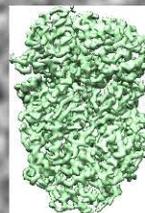
- Sample is frozen in aqueous solution
→ native conditions
- Frozen state prevents dehydration in microscope vacuum
- Low temperature delays effects of radiation damage



Aligning Particles



5 parameters
to determine



100Å



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