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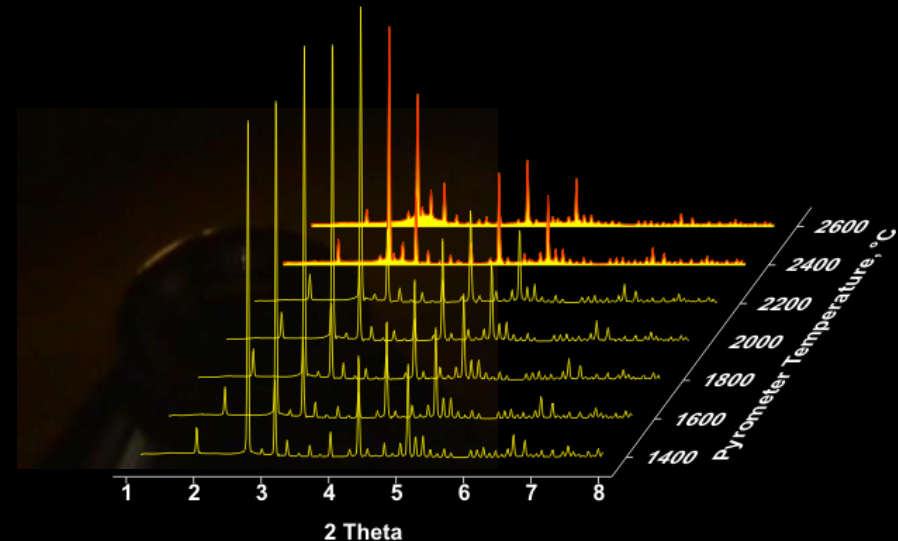
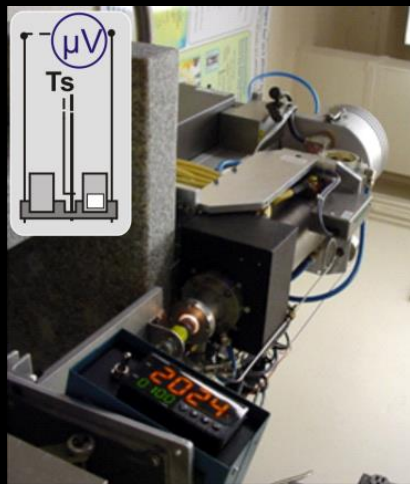
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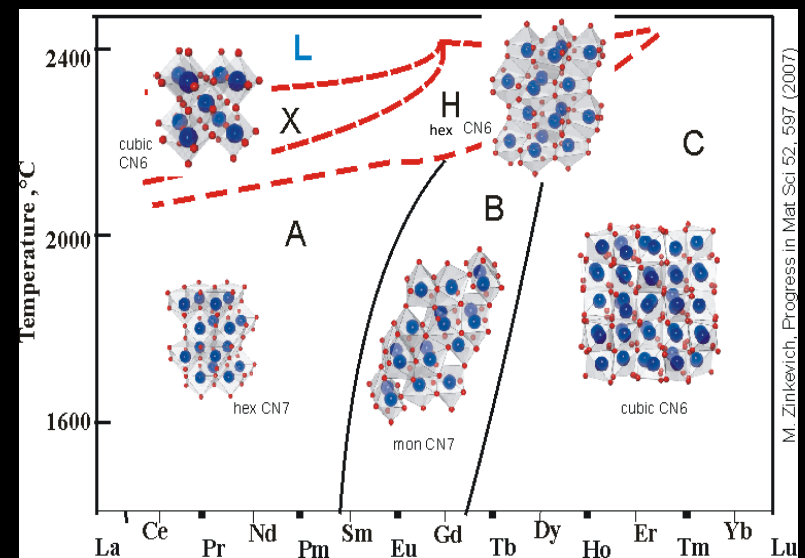
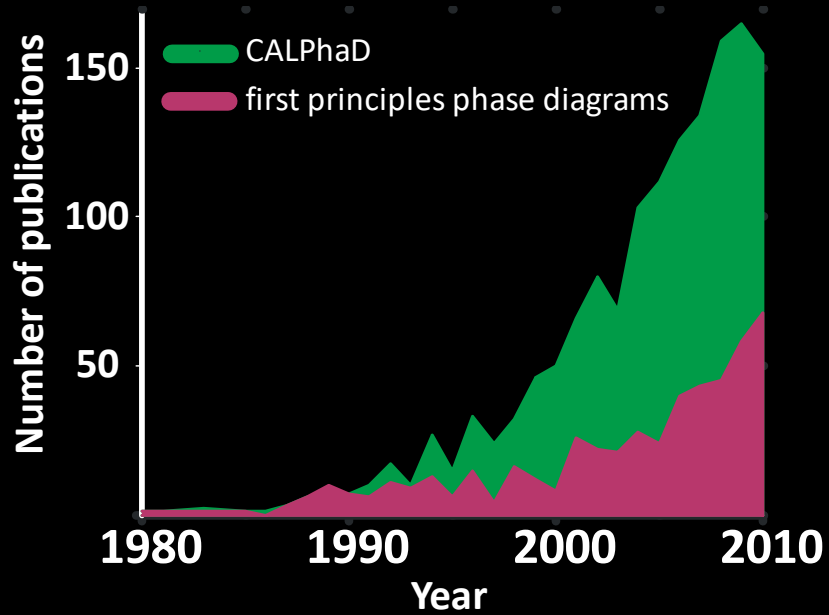
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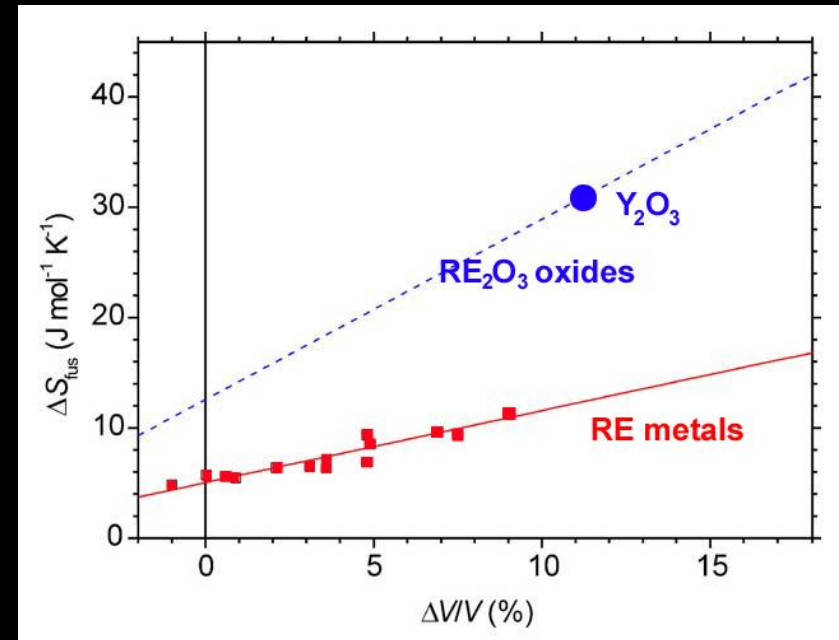
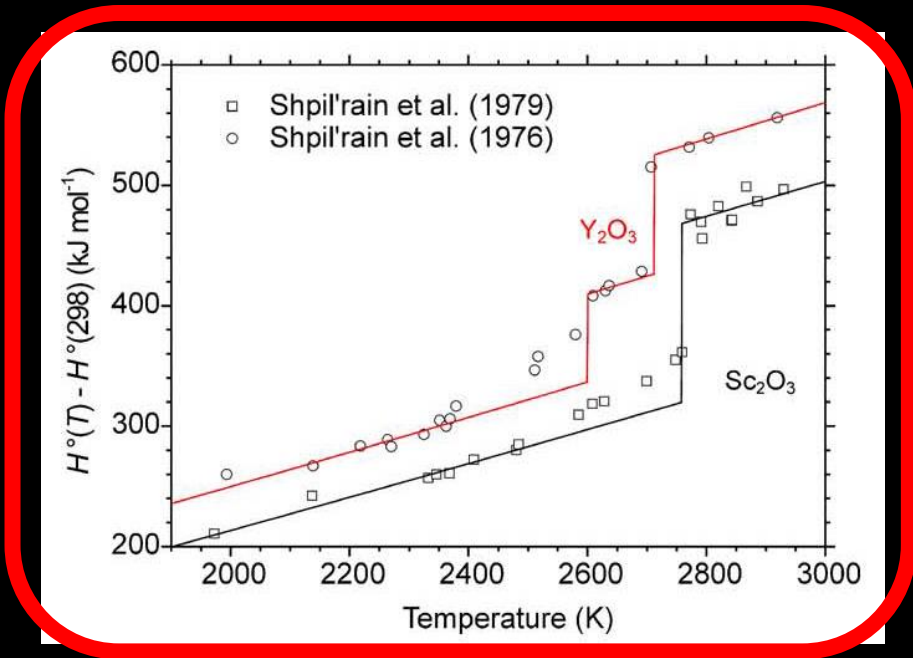
2. Drop calorimetry

3. X-ray and neutron diffraction





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# Open Calphad - a free thermodynamic software

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## Abstract

The use of thermodynamics in many applications in material science like simulation of phase transformation suffers from the lack of high quality open source software for calculations of multicomponent systems. The goal of the Open Calphad (OC) software is to bridge this gap. The OC software has a GNU license which makes it possible for the interested scientist to implement and test new ideas for models and algorithms. Currently such development can be done only using proprietary software. The assessment of model parameters using both experimental data and data from theoretical calculations like DFT will have increased efficiency using software that can be directly integrated in various applications.

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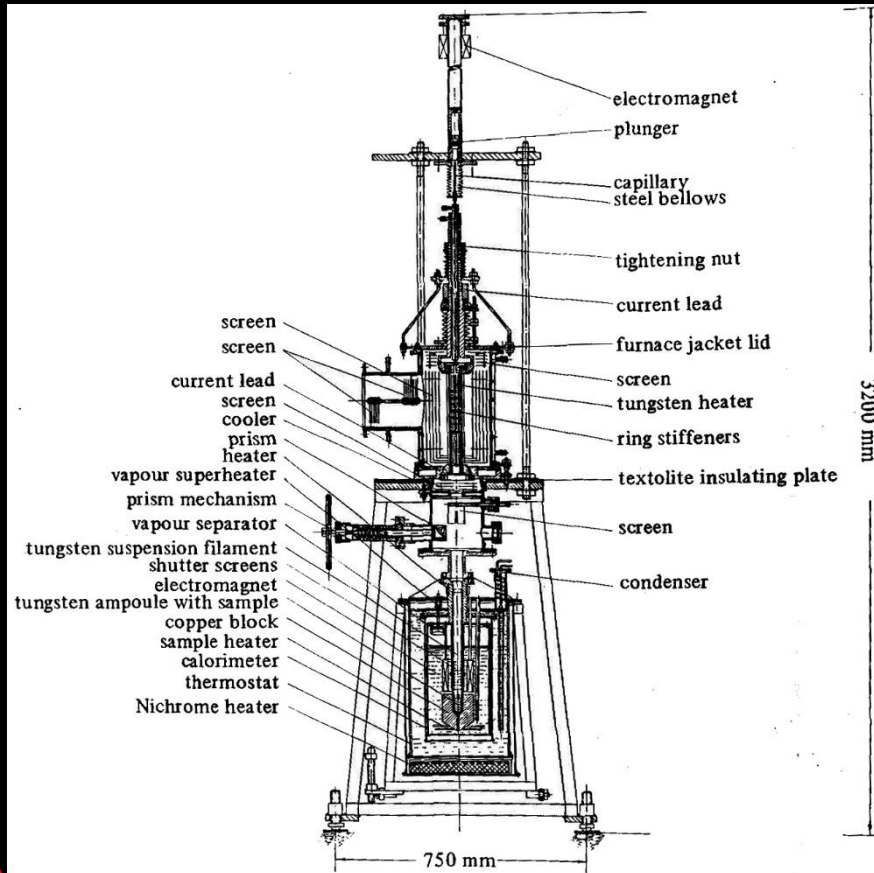
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## Shpil'rain 1972 DROP calorimeter



## 1960s - Drop calorimetry from above 2000 °C

1962-1963 Kantor, Sheindlin et al.

$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  heat of fusion

1963 Pears et al. report on thermal  
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1968 Hein et al. heat of fusion of  $\text{UO}_2$

## Cooling traces from solar furnace

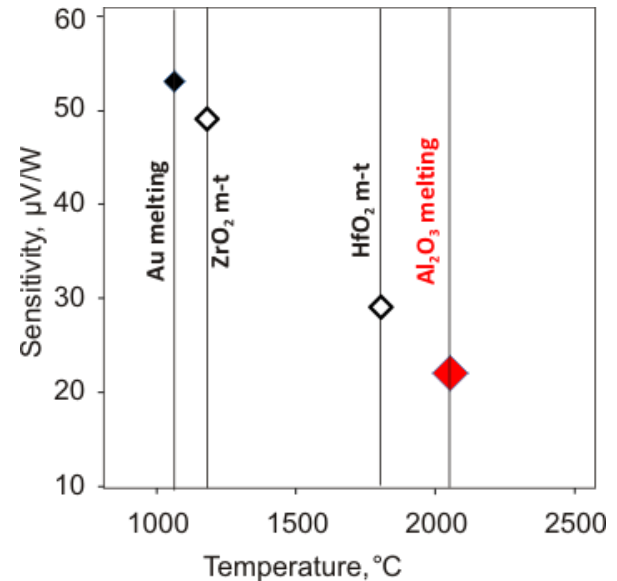
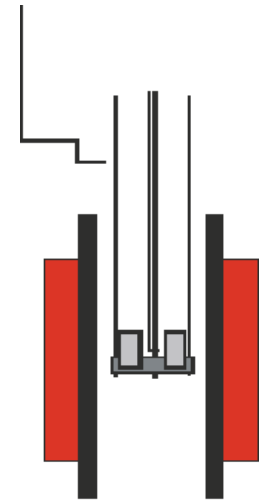
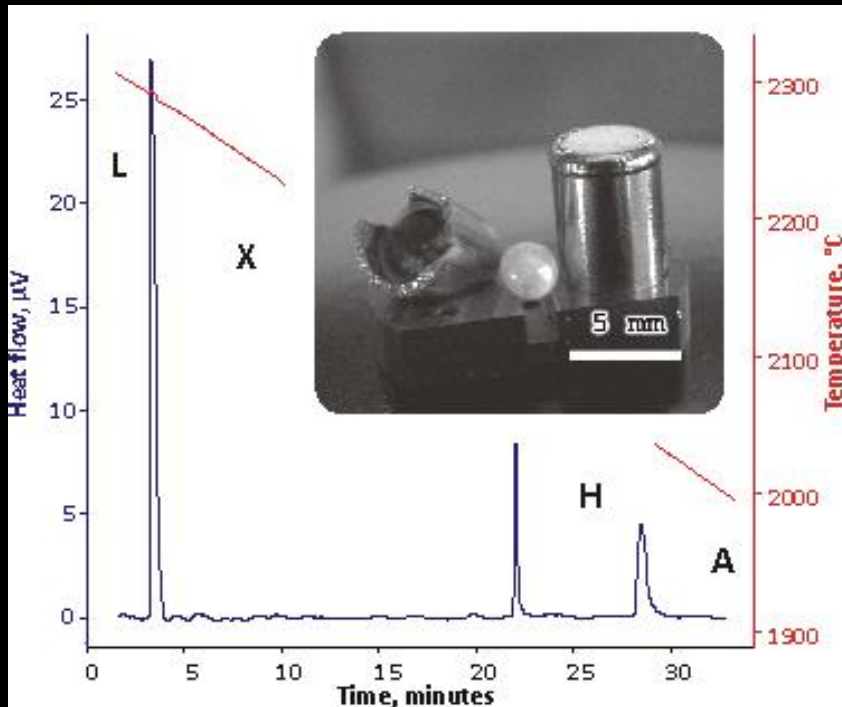
1966 Foex and Traverse

1976 Coutures, Rounet et. al

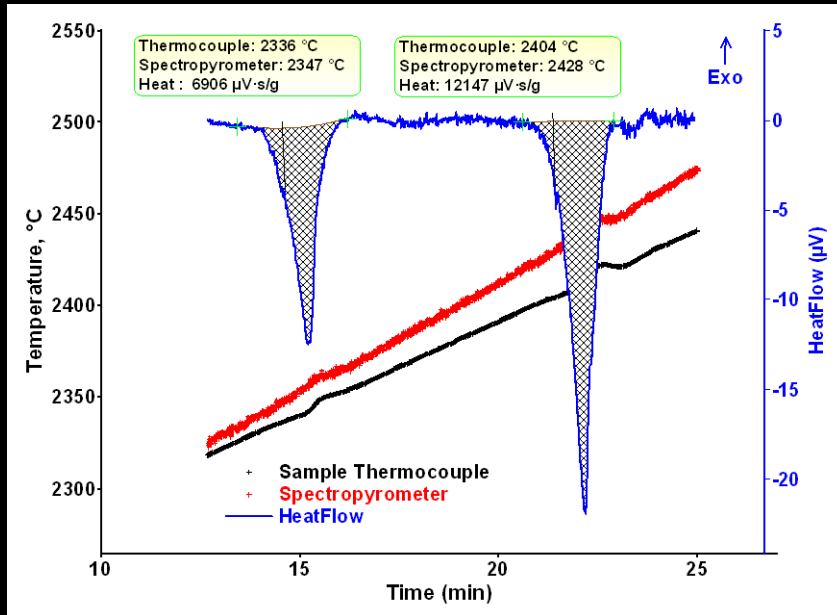
## 1980s – DTA to 2600 °C

1981 Shevchenko and Lopato

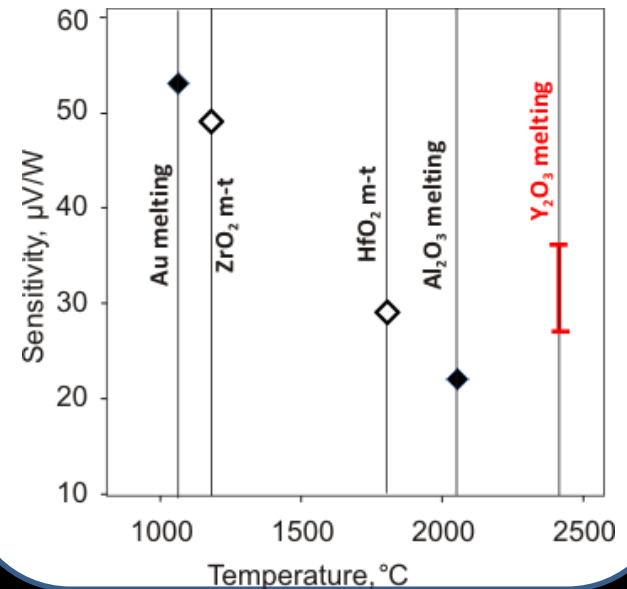
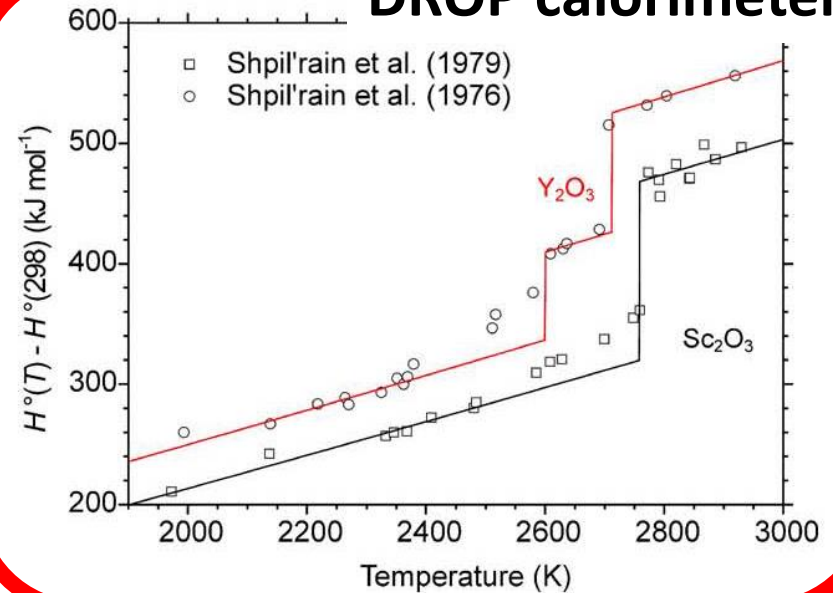
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## DROP calorimeter



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# Levitation calorimetry

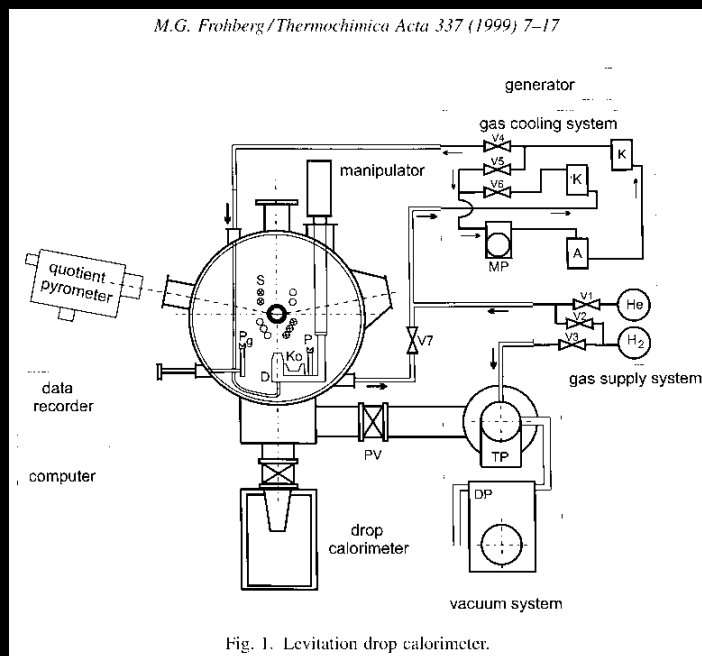


Table 1

Overview to drop calorimetric investigations until 1975

Year	Authors	Element	Temperature range (K)
1970	Chaudhuri et al. [25]	Cu	1386–1887 (l)
1970	Chaudhuri et al. [25]	Pt	2202–2631 (l)
1970	Treverton and Margrave [26]	Mo	2692–3112 (l)
1971	Berezin et al. [27]	Mo	2890–2925 (l)
1971	Treverton and Margrave [28]	Fe	1804–2142 (l)
1971	Treverton and Margrave [28]	Ti	1969–2313 (l)
1971	Treverton and Margrave [28]	V	2205–2638 (l)
1971	Treverton and Margrave [29]	Co	1774–2345 (l)
1971	Treverton and Margrave [29]	Pd	1846–2334 (l)
1972	Sheindlin et al. [30]	Nb	1650–2707 (s)
1972	Berezin et al. [31]	V	2084–2325 (l)
1974	Stretz and Bautista [32]	Y	1799–2360 (l)
1974	Stephens [33]	Cu	1428–2007 (l)
1974	Stephens [33]	U	1428–2398 (l)
1975	Stretz and Bautista [34]	Nd	1446–2246 (l)
1975	Stretz and Bautista [35]	La	1250–2420 (l)

**M.G. Frohberg – “Thirty years of levitation calorimetry – a balance” (1999)**

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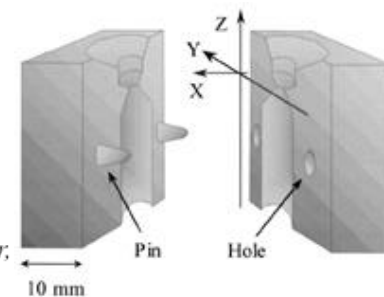
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## An aerodynamic levitation system for drop tube and quenching experiments

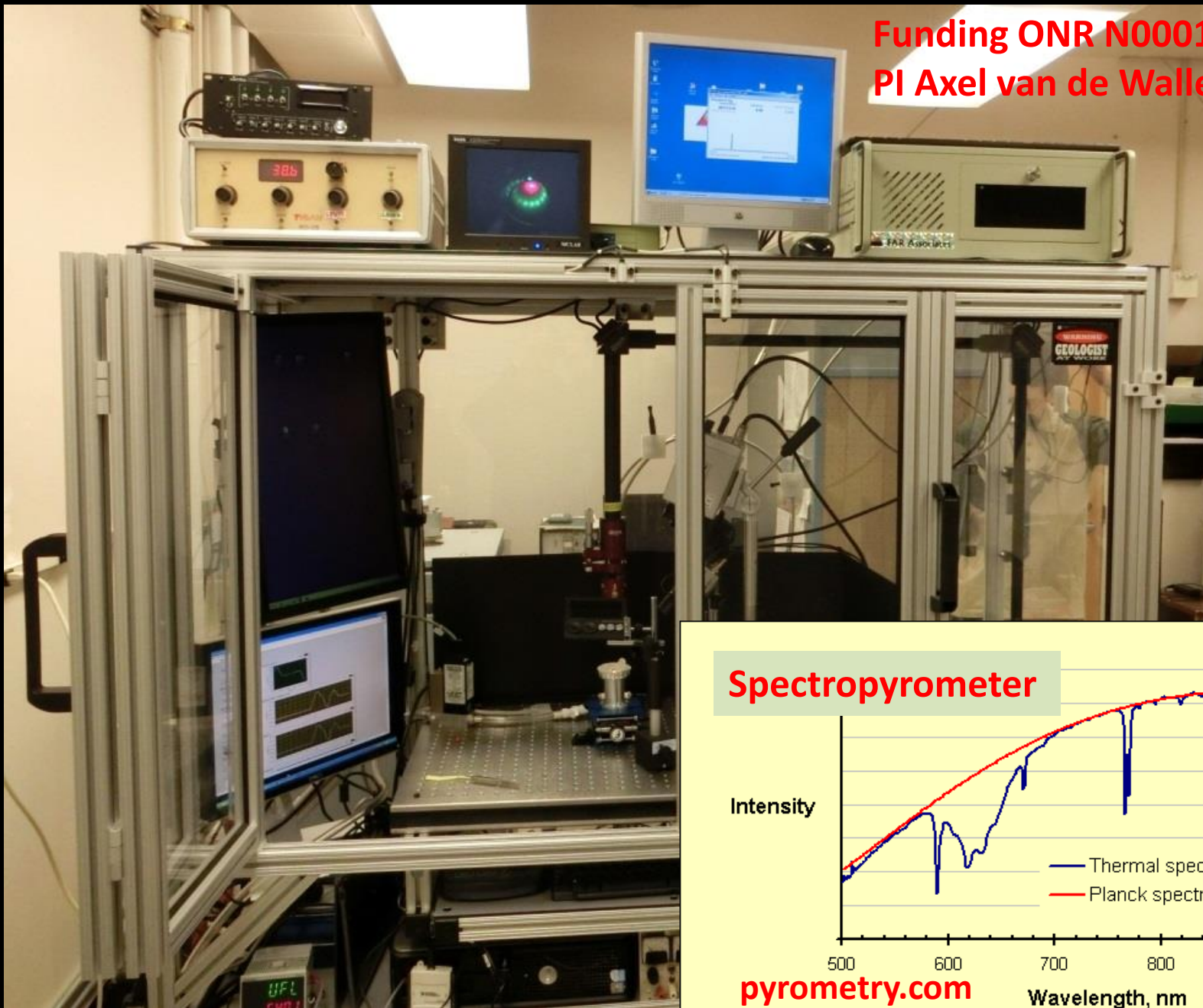
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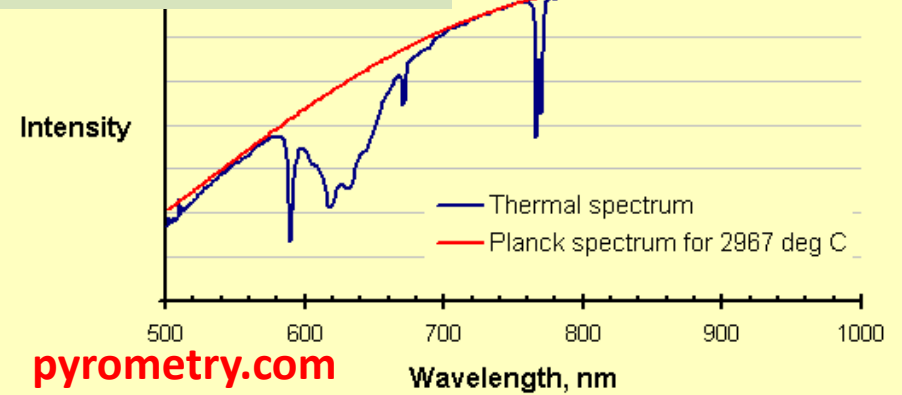




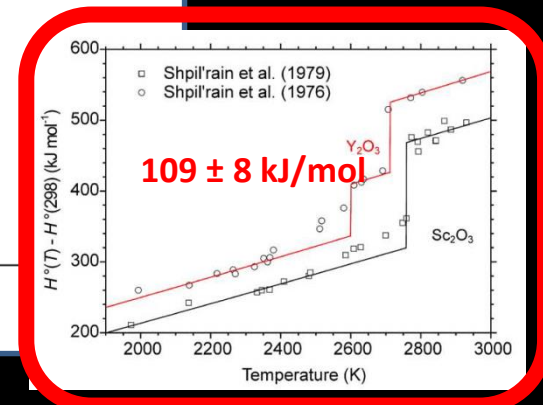
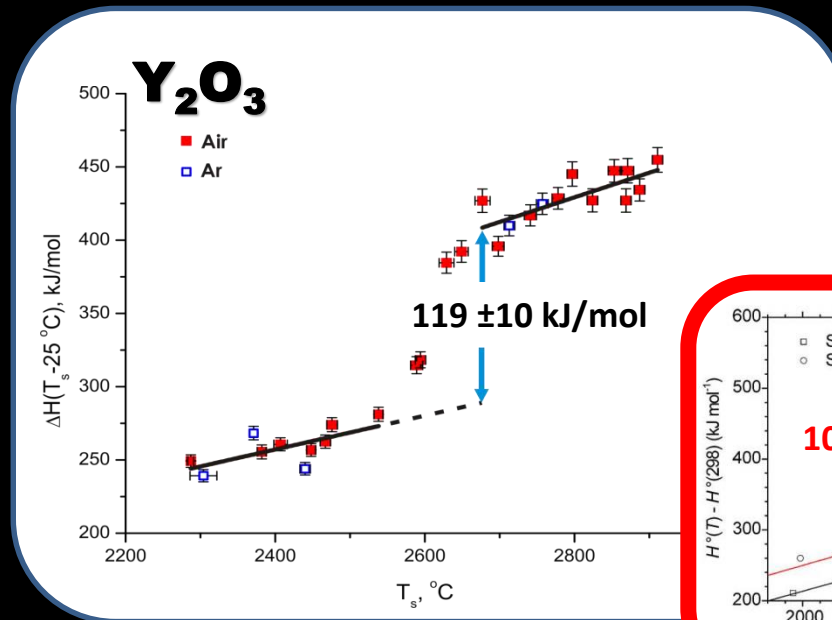
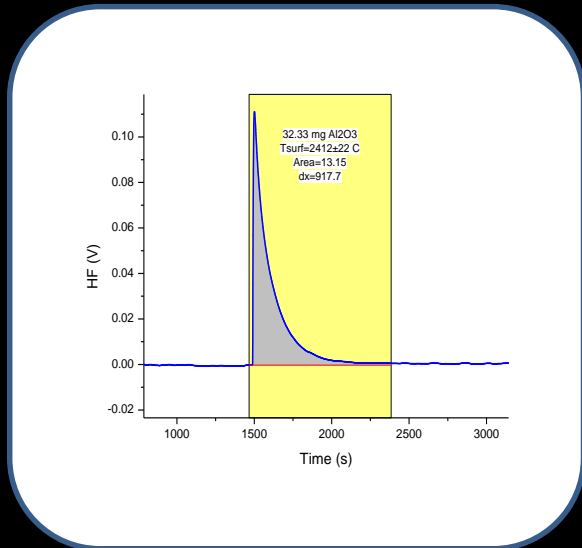
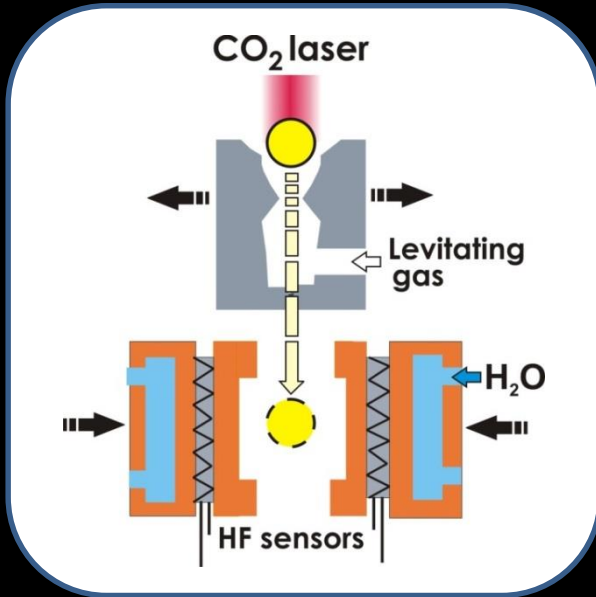
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## Spectropyrometer



# Drop-n-Catch calorimeter



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# DTA and DnC above 2000 °C: summary

**Experimental capabilities for drop calorimetry from above 2000 °C were re-established**

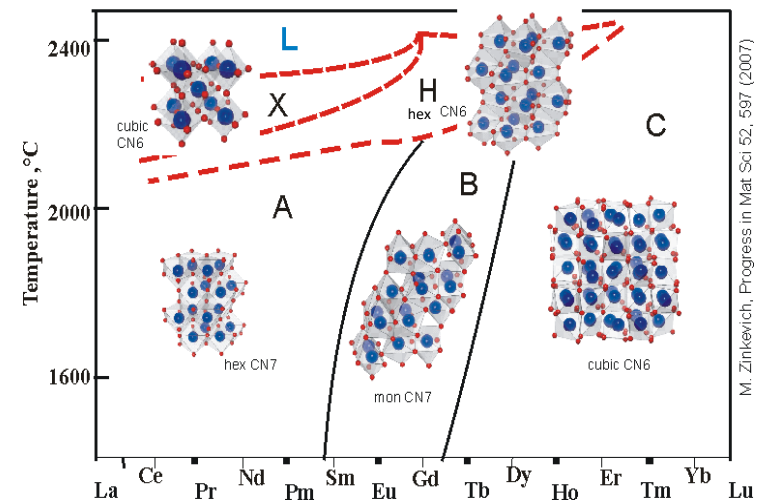
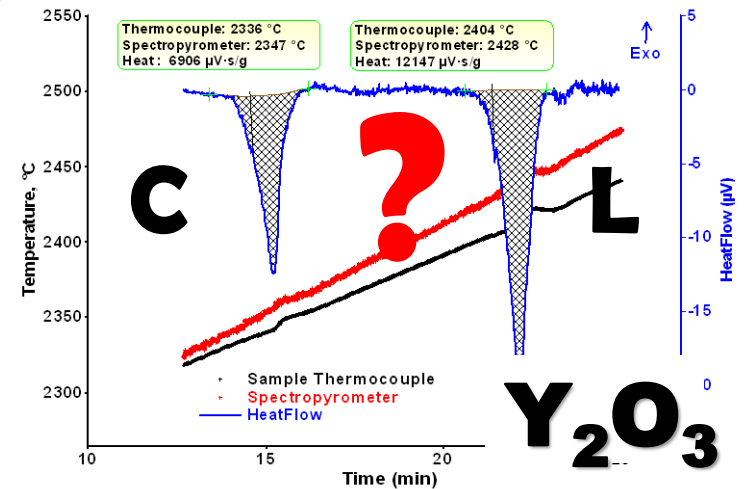
**Quantitative DTA is possible to 2400 °C with commercially available instruments**



Matthew Fyhrie

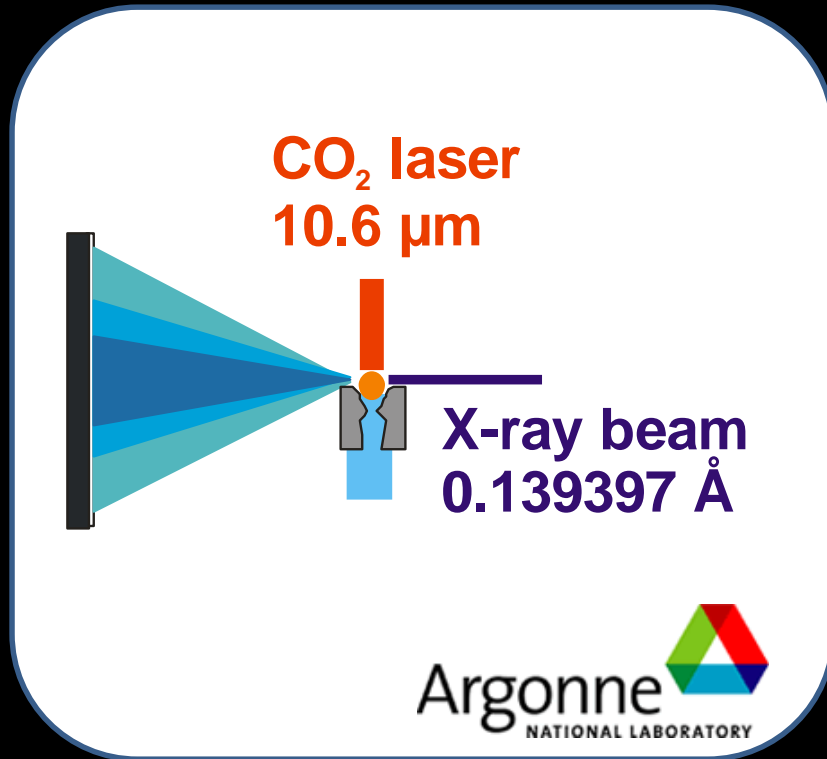
# Thermodynamic data from high-T diffraction

- Molar volumes as a function of temperature
- $\Delta V$  for solid state phase transitions
- $\Delta S_c$  for order - disorder transitions
- *In situ* phase diagram determination



# X-ray and neutron diffraction above 2000 C

## APS 6-ID-D



Chris Benmore

## SNS NOMAD BL1B



Richard Weber

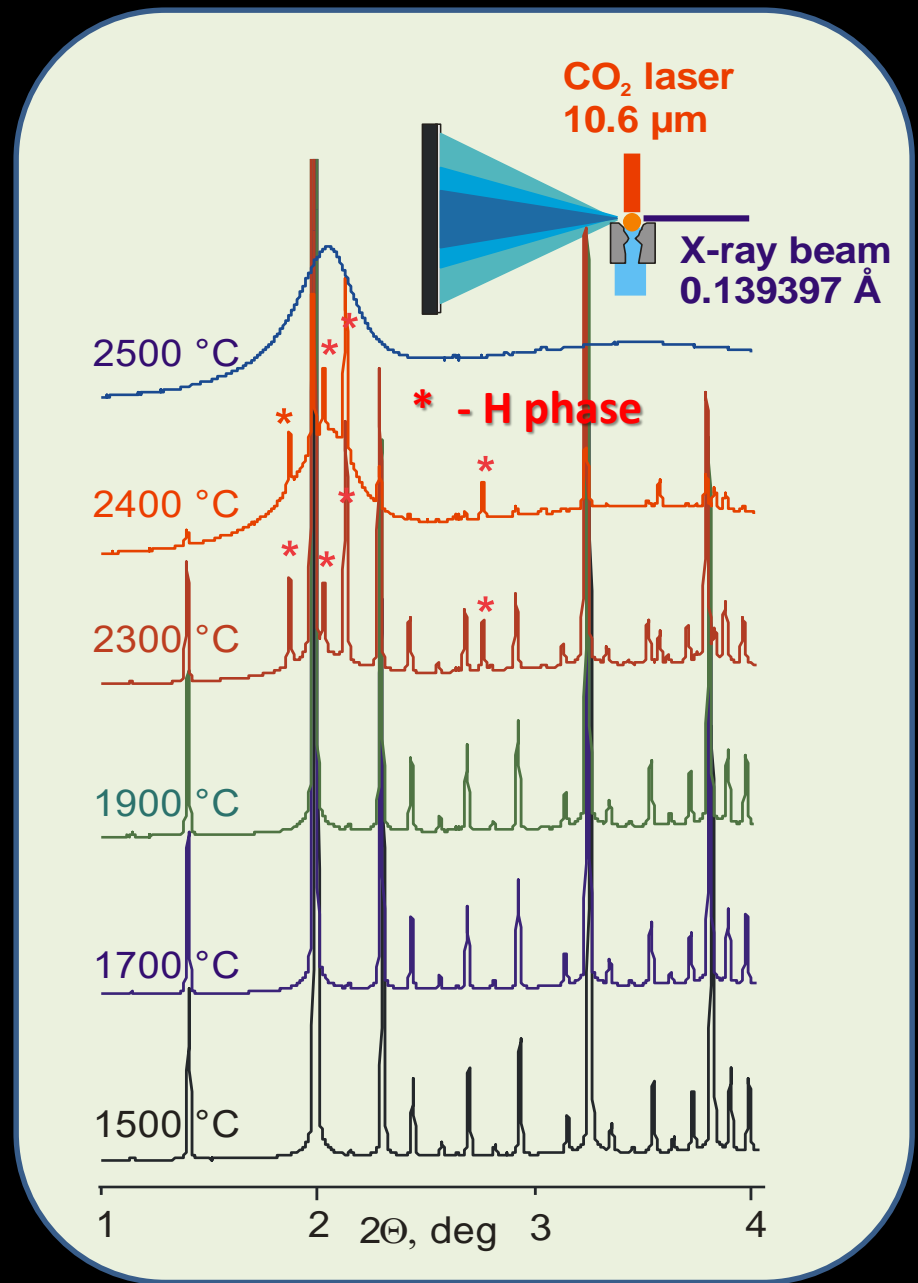
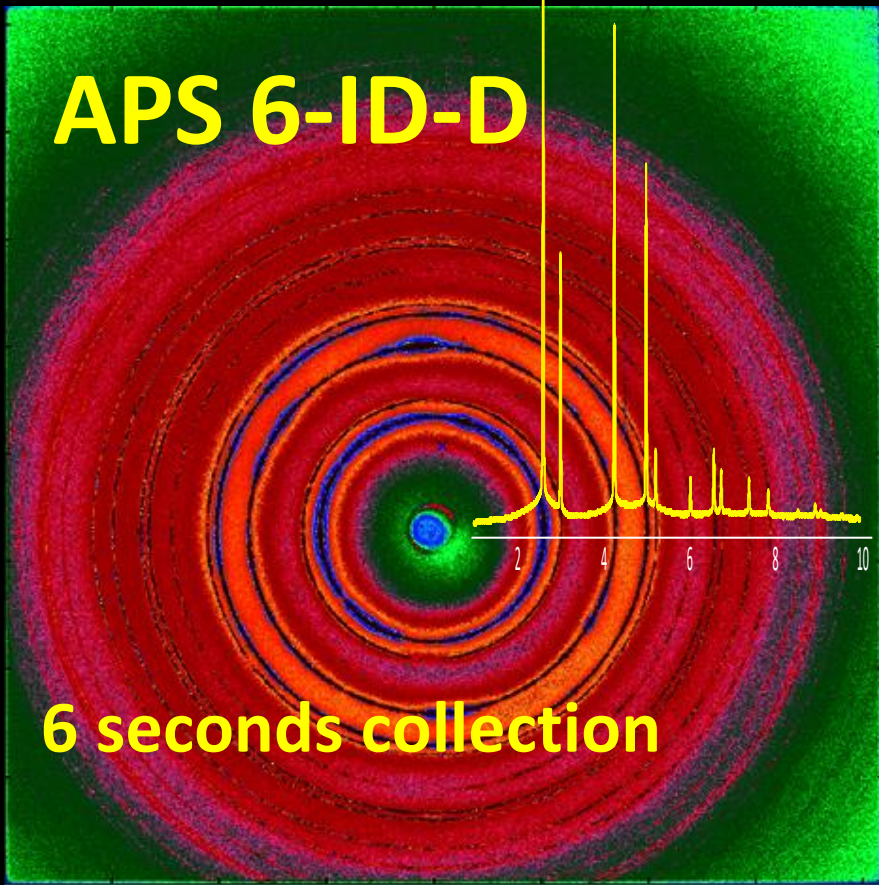
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# HT XRD $Y_2O_3$

APS 6-ID-D

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## Results from 3 days of diffraction experiments on levitator at APS (June 15-17, 2011)

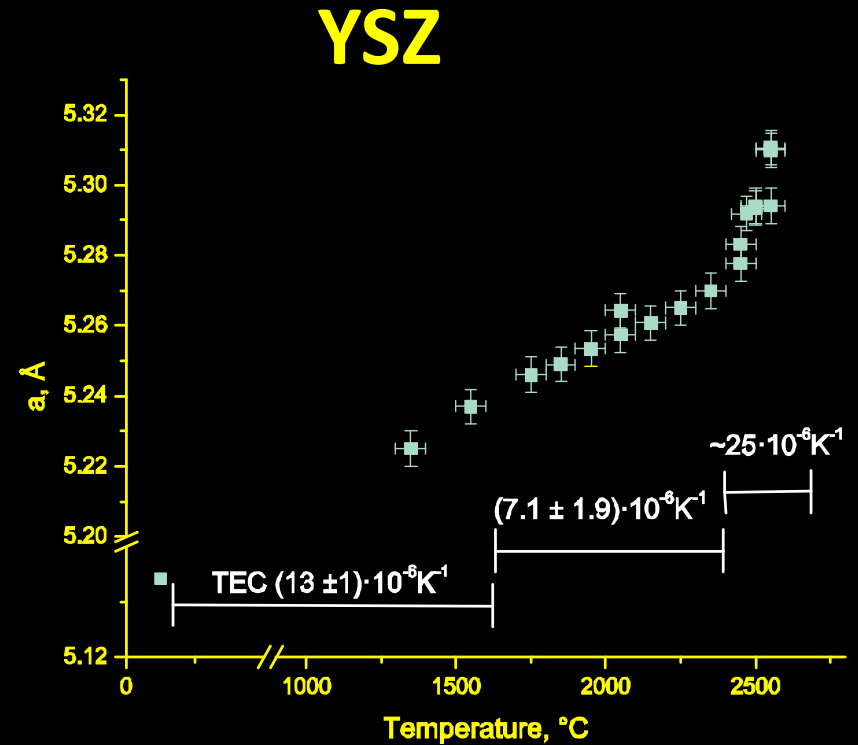
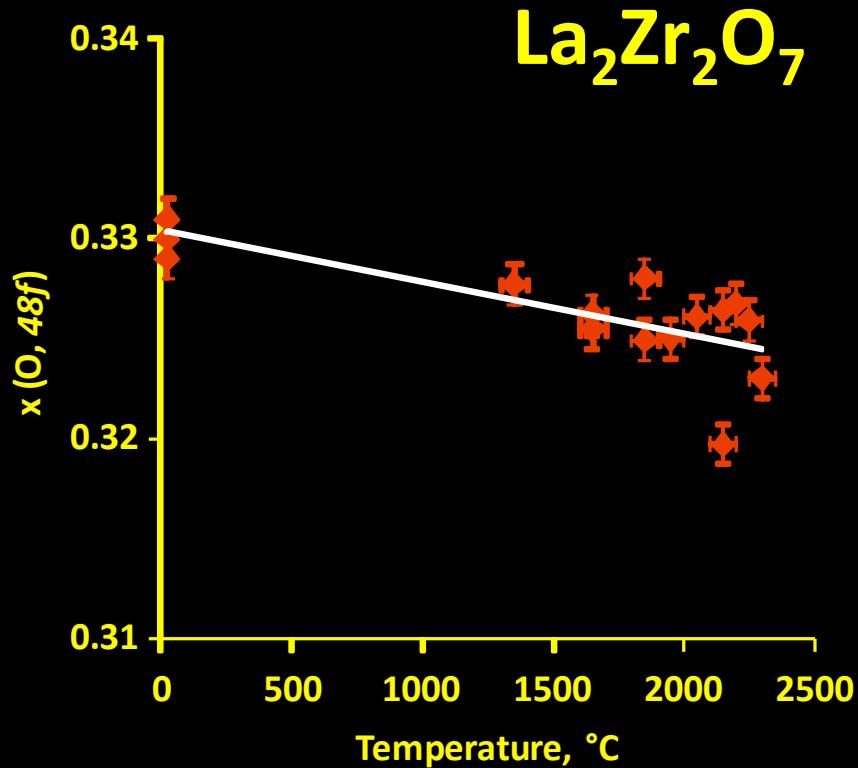
- $\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$  transforms in H-type before melting in Ar and  $\text{C}_2$ . Volume reduction on C-H phase transition was refined.
- Pyrochlore structure of  $\text{La}_2\text{Zr}_2\text{O}_7$  persists to the melting temperature. Thermal expansion was used to validate high temperature *ab initio* calculations.
- Thermal expansion of  $\text{Eu}_2\text{O}_3$ - $\text{ZrO}_2$  DF solid solutions and anti-site occupancies on pyrochlore-DF phase transition in  $\text{Eu}_2\text{Zr}_2\text{O}_7$  were refined.

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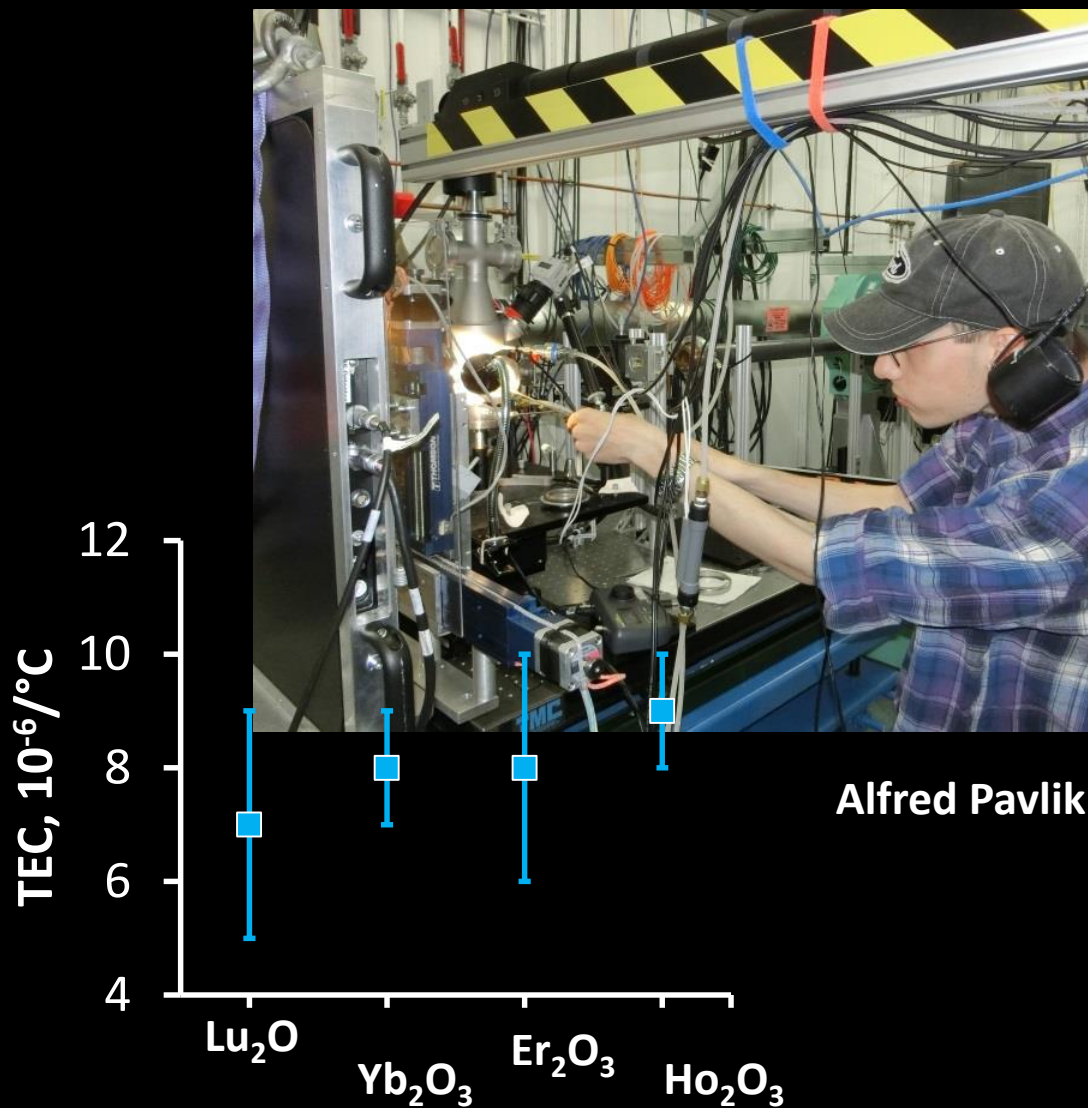
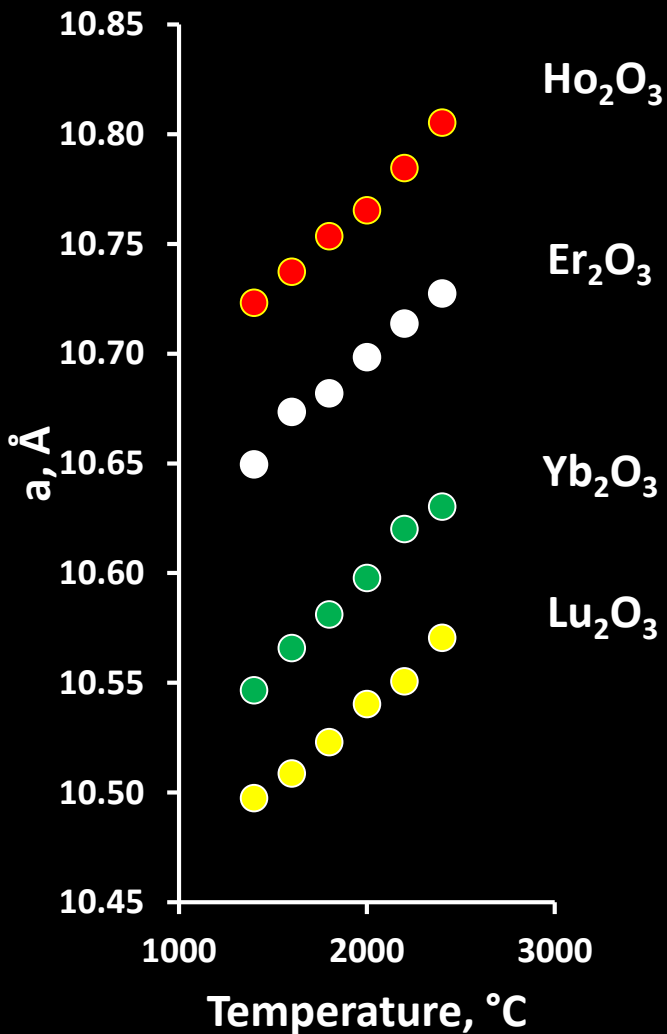
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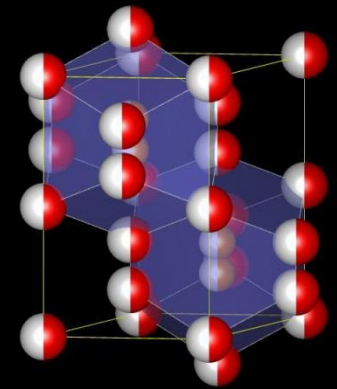


# Thermal expansion of C-type $\text{RE}_2\text{O}_3$ in oxygen flow

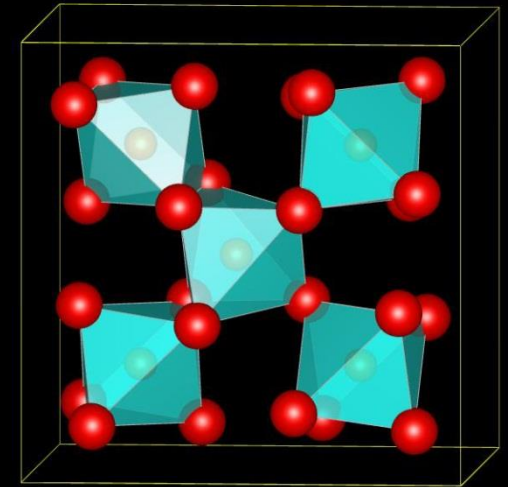
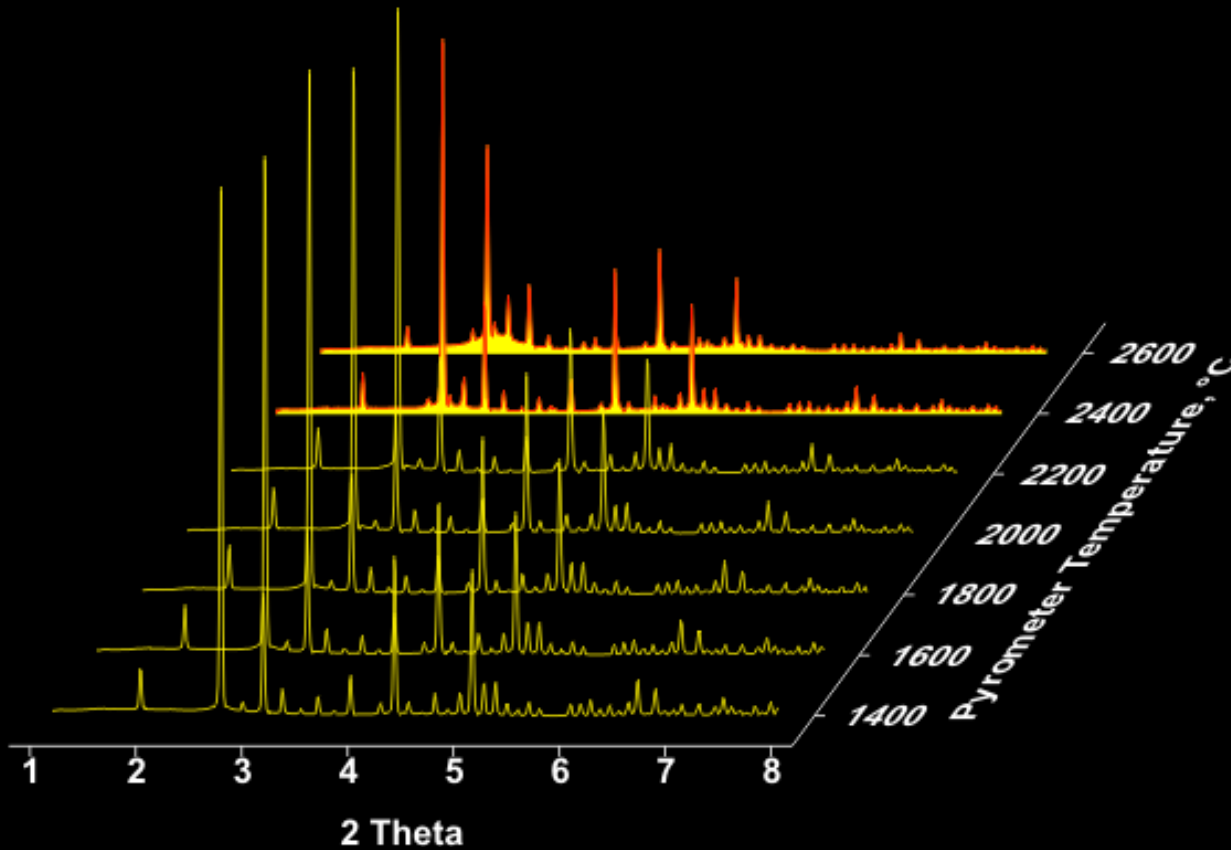


# C-H pre-melting phase transitions $\text{RE}_2\text{O}_3$

H-type Z=1



$\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3$	$\Delta V$	-3.1%
$\text{Er}_2\text{O}_3$	$\Delta V$	-3.4%
$\text{Ho}_2\text{O}_3$	$\Delta V$	-3.9%

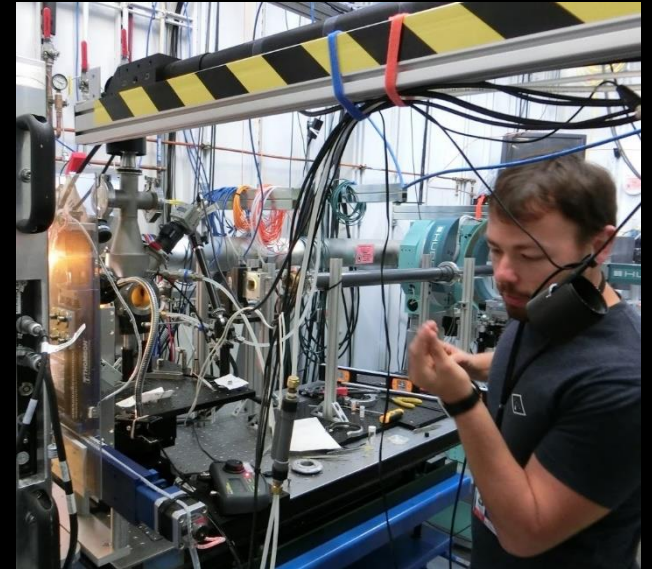


C-type Z=16

Pre-melting C-H phase transition in  $\text{Er}_2\text{O}_3$  in Ar



**Summary: Structure refinement above 2000 °C is possible using aerodynamic levitators available at APS 6-ID-D and SNS NOMAD**

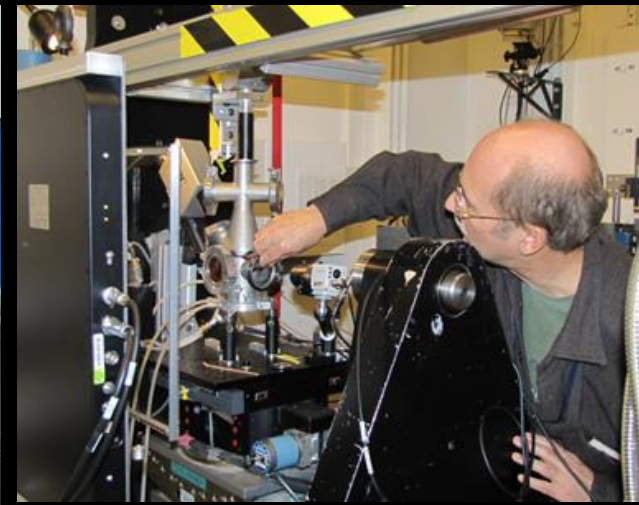


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