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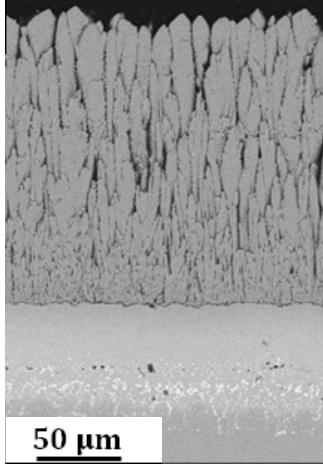
## THERMO-MECHANICAL ANALYSIS OF BLISTER DAMAGE IN EB-PVD TBC SYSTEM: EXPERIMENTS AND MODELING

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# COMMON PRACTICE IN TBC LIFE ASSESSMENT



TC EB-PVD  
BC (Ni,Pt)Al  
substrate AM1

**Initiation driven by edge effect**  
on button shape specimens?

**Continuous delamination on HP**  
Turbine Blade

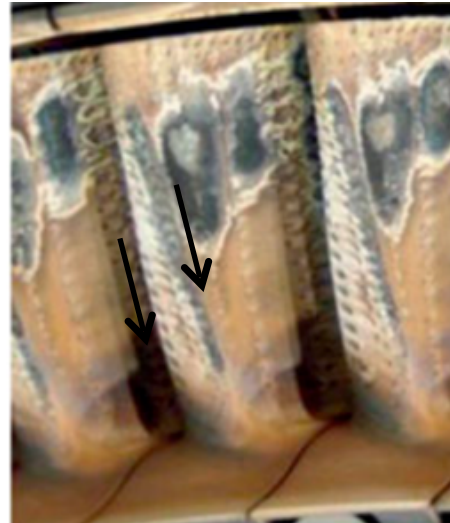
- Temperature gradient?
- Blister driven edge-delamination?

NUMBER OF THERMAL CYCLES								
300	875	929	996	1331	1336	1340	1384	1390

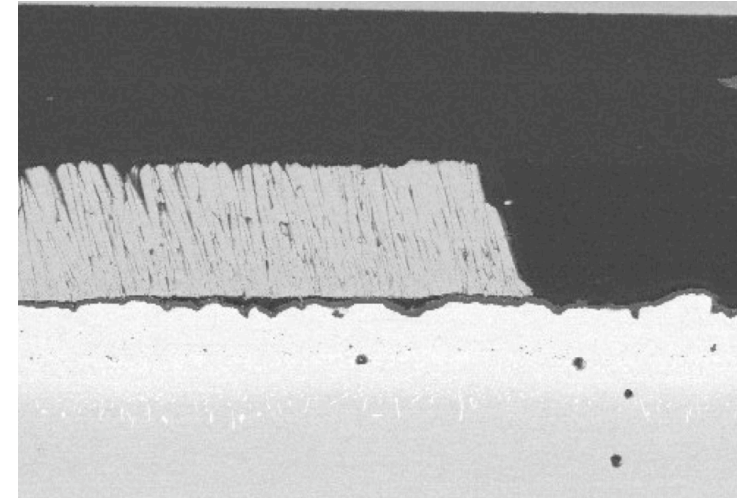
Spalled area > 20% → test interrupted

Sudden full spallation

[Fabre, PHD Thesis, MINES ParisTech, 2014]



[Levi et al, MRS 2012]

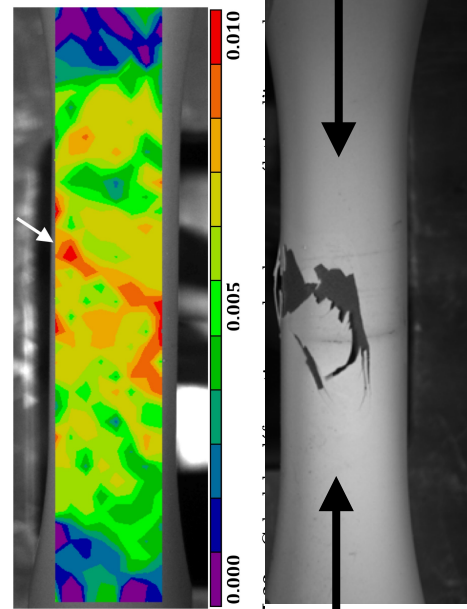
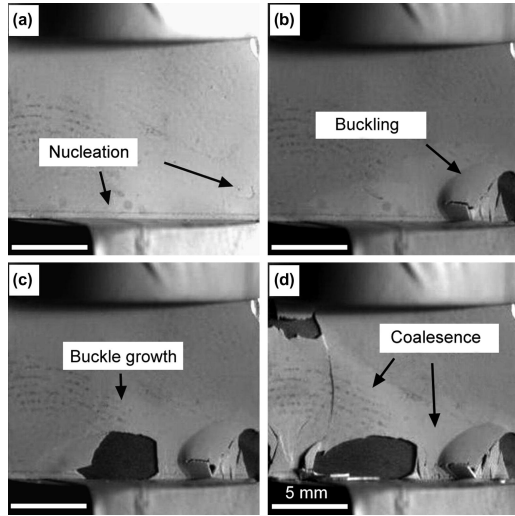


[Courcier et al, SCT 2011]

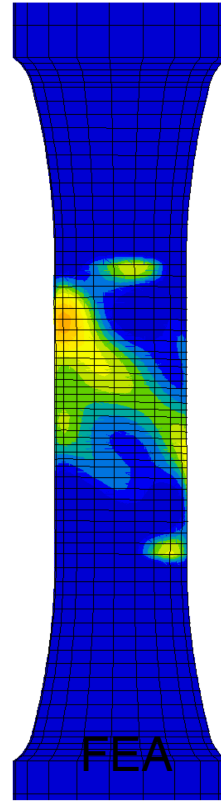
# COMMON PRACTICE IN TBC LIFE ASSESSMENT

## Compressive testing

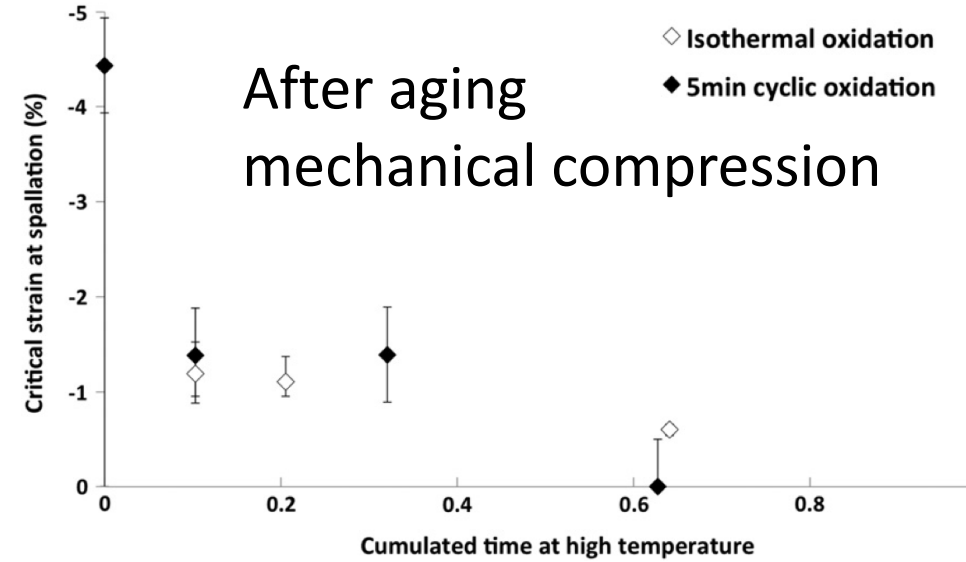
### Edge effect



## Specimen designed to avoid edge effect



R. Soullignac et al. / Surface & Coatings Technology 237 (2013) 95–104



X. Zhao et al. / Acta Materialia 59 (2011) 6401–6411

A. Bickard / PhD Thesis, 1998

M. Harvey et al. / Surface & Coatings Technology 203 (2008) 432–436

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# OUTLINE

## **Toward robust modelling of TBC model to spallation**

How to test TBC adhesion in a robust manner?

How to gain in damage mechanisms analysis to assess TBC lifetime?

LASER ADHESION TEST (LASAT)

THERMAL CYCLING

BLISTERING

FEA

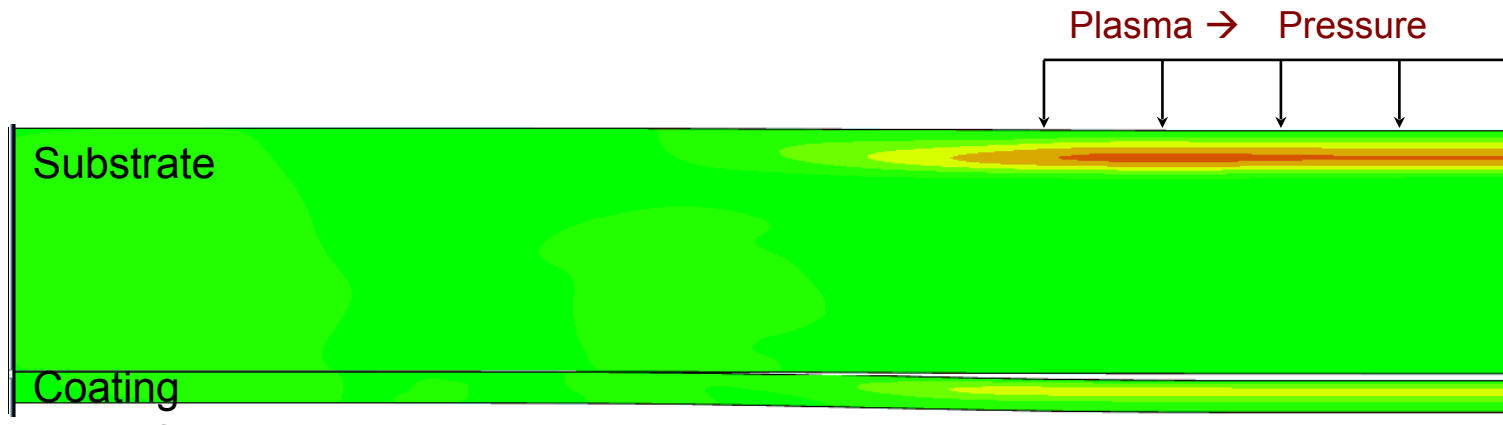
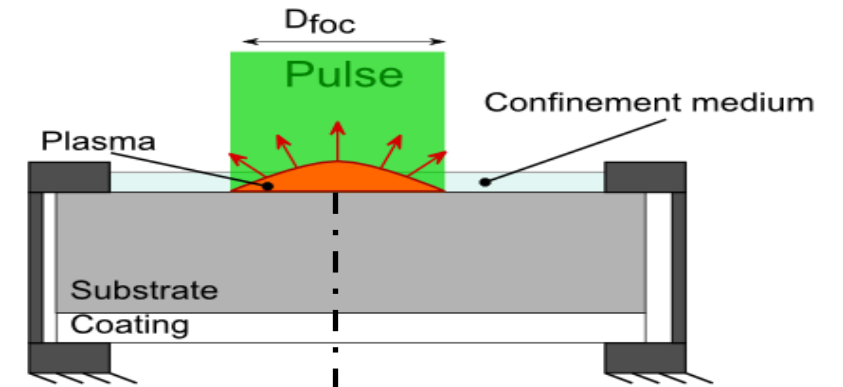
OUTLOOK



# LASER ADHESION TEST : LASAT

- Contactless method
- Circular debonded area induced by wave shock
- LAser Shock Adhesion Test (LASAT)

$$\Phi \text{ (GW/cm}^2\text{)} = \frac{4 \cdot E}{\pi \cdot \tau \cdot D_{\text{foc}}^2}$$



**Laser Source**  
 $E = 1,8\text{J}$   
 $\lambda = 532\text{nm}$   
 $\tau = 5\text{-}6\text{ns}$

**If  $\Phi > \Phi_c$  : interfacial decohesion**

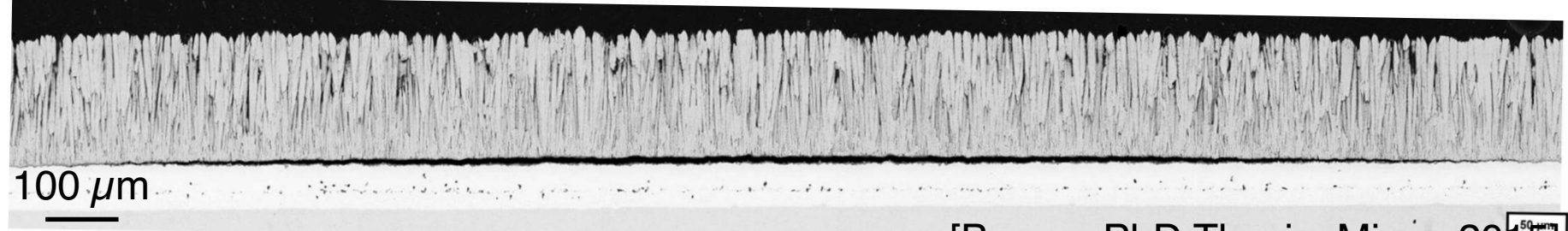
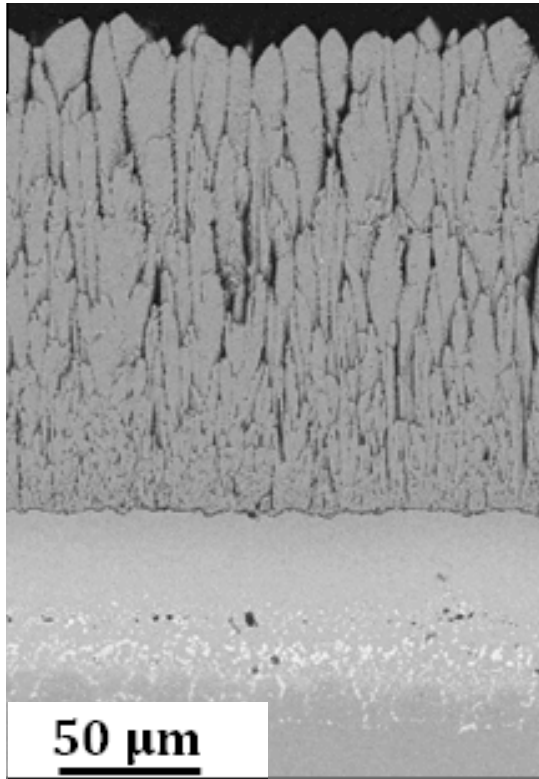
**If  $\Phi < \Phi_c$  : no interfacial damage = Non-Destructive Technique**

Mainly mode I

Extremely high strain rate ( $10^6/\text{s}$ )

# CHARACTERIZATION OF A LASER SHOCK FLAW

Application to EB-PVD TBC



[Begue, PhD Thesis, Mines 2015]

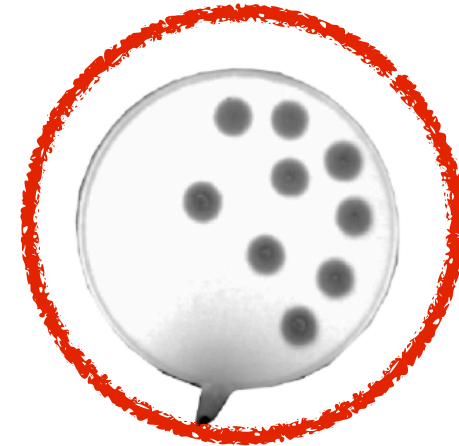
- Using button shape specimen



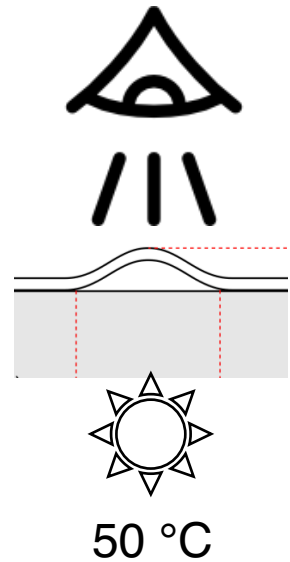
13 shocks



25 mm  
optic



Infra red thermography  
(IRT)



TC: YSZ EB-PVD

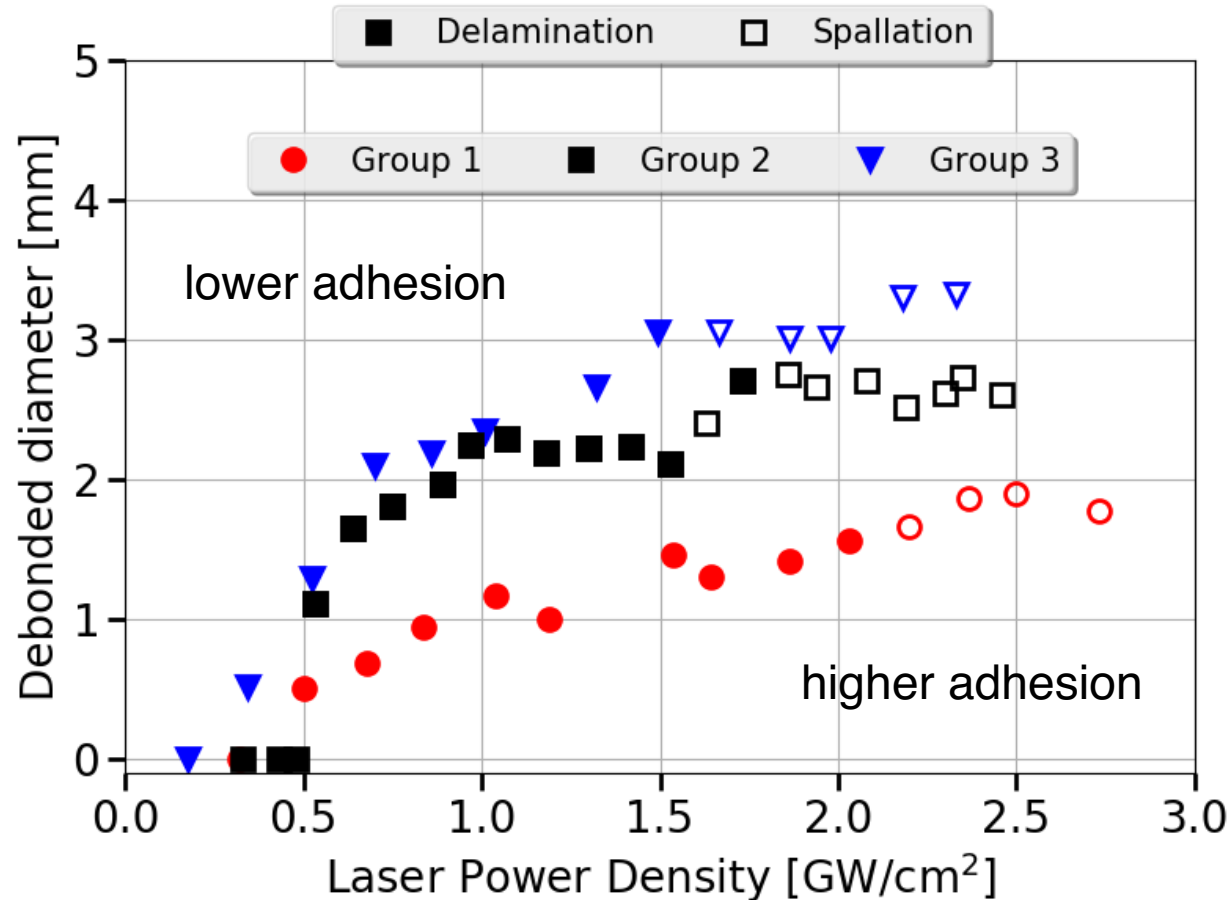
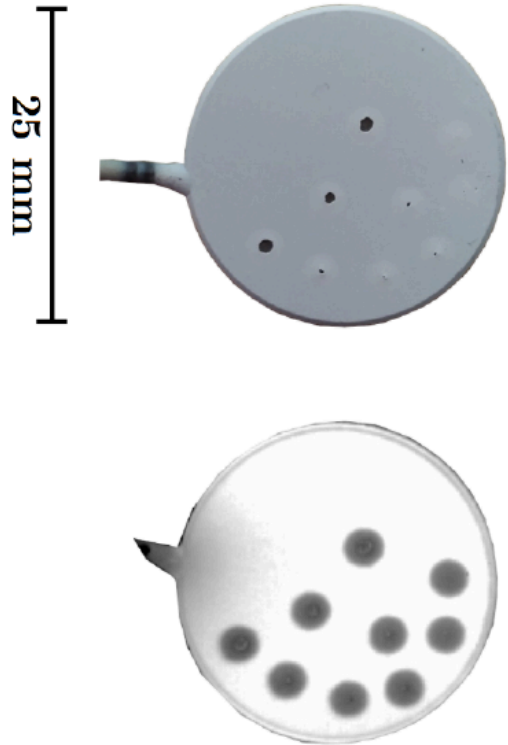
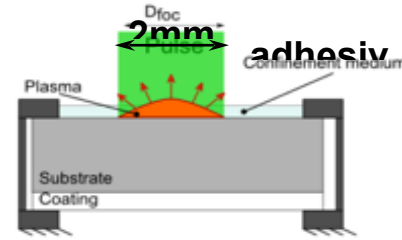
BC : NiAlPt

Substrate: AM1 first  
generation Ni Base SX  
superalloy



# LASAT CURVE

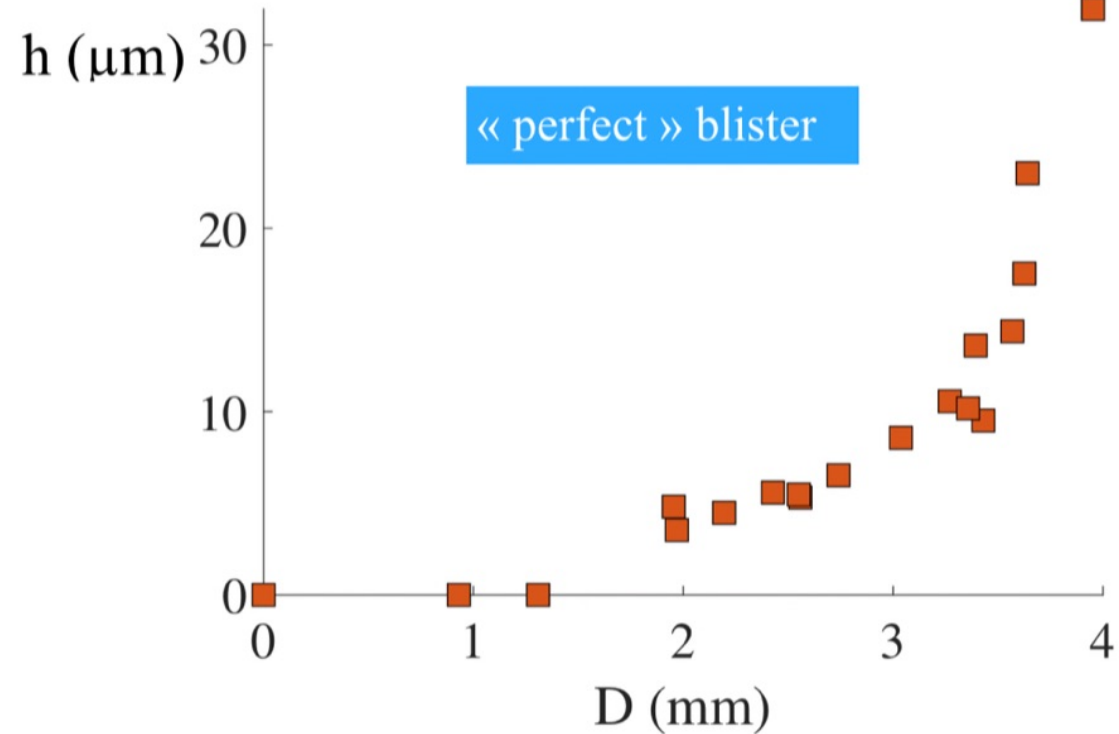
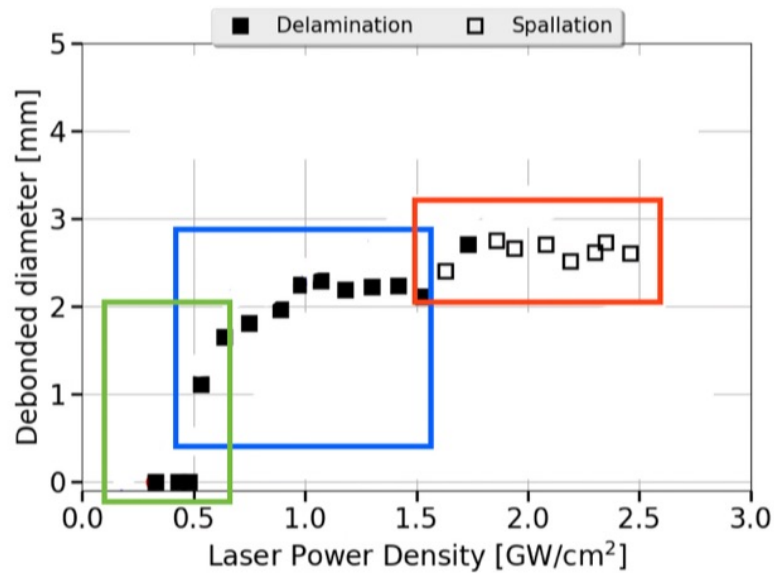
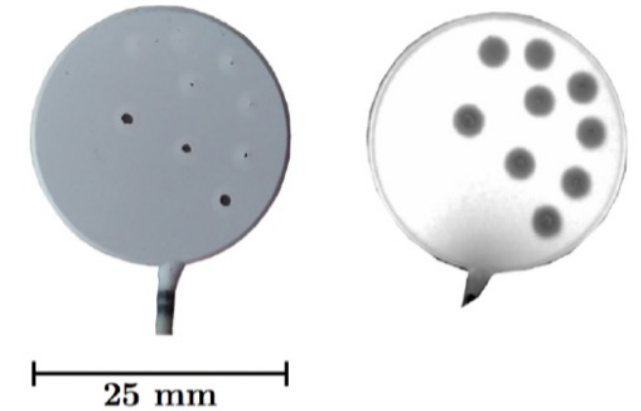
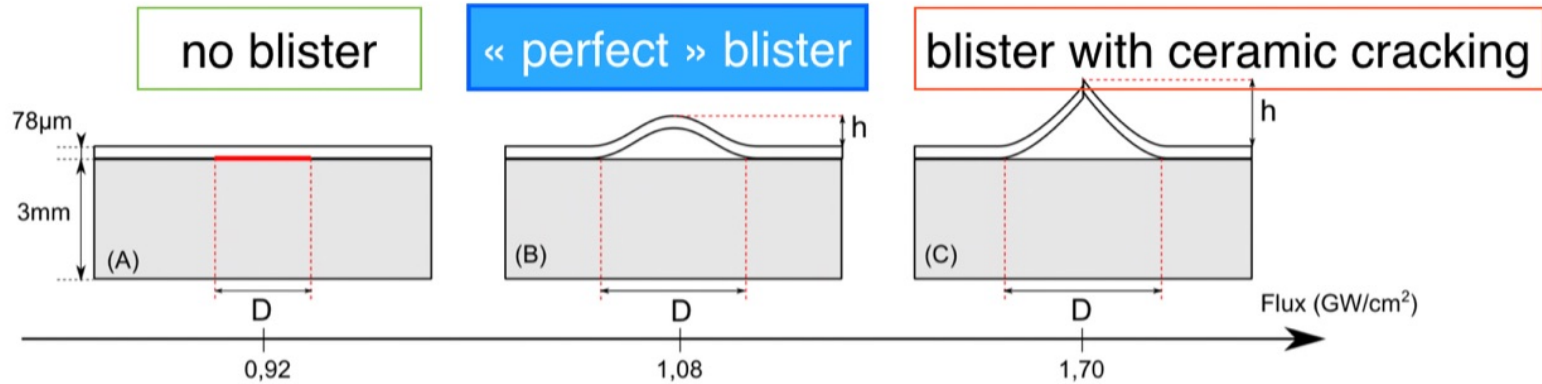
Measurement of debonding as function of laser intensity



$$\Phi \text{ (GW/cm}^2\text{)} = \frac{4.E}{\pi.\tau.D_{\text{foc}}^2}$$

- Easiness of debonding evaluation
- Low level of experimental scatter (*i.e.* laser intensity → flaw diameter)

# LASAT TO DESIGN A BLISTER / EB-PVD

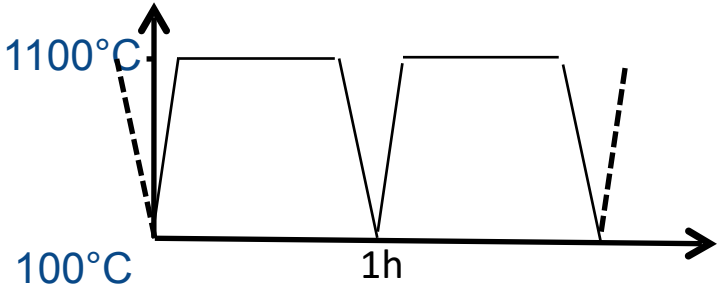


choose your blister!

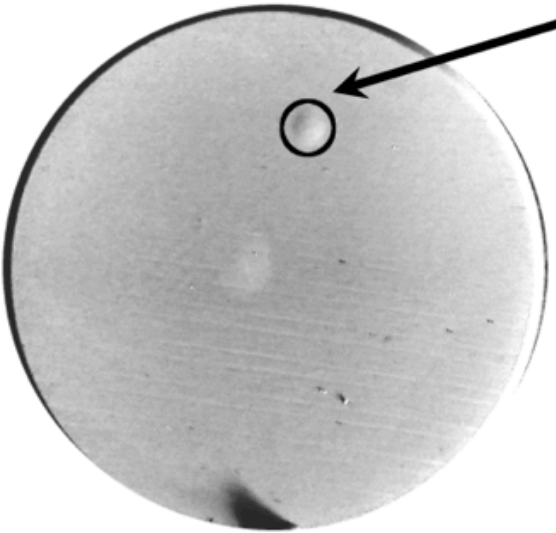
[Sapardanis & Begue G PhD Thesis]

# LASAT PRE-DEFECT AND THERMAL CYCLING

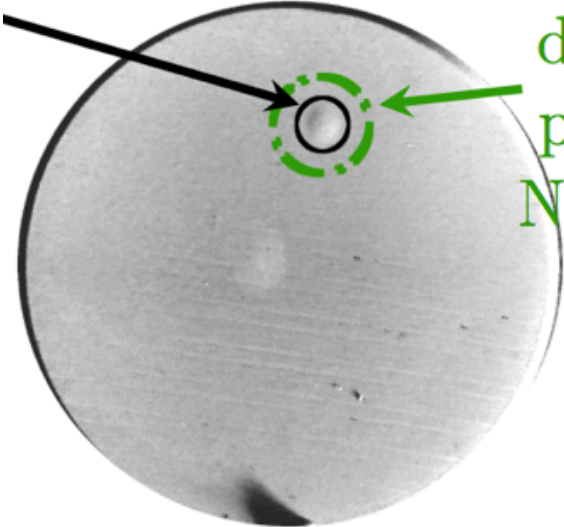
To assess impact of aging



Debonded Area in the as-processed condition

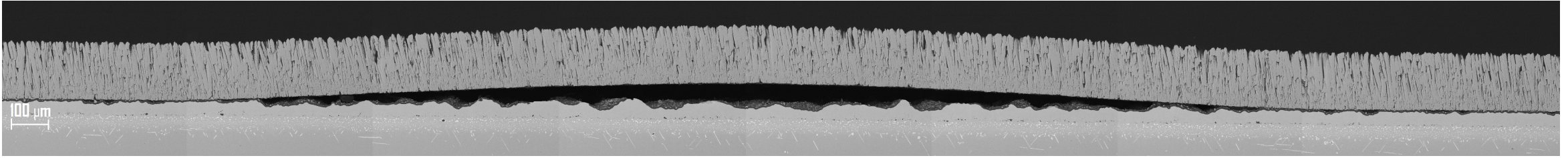


Evolution of the debonded diameter made in the as-processed condition after N thermal cycles  $\rightarrow D(N)$

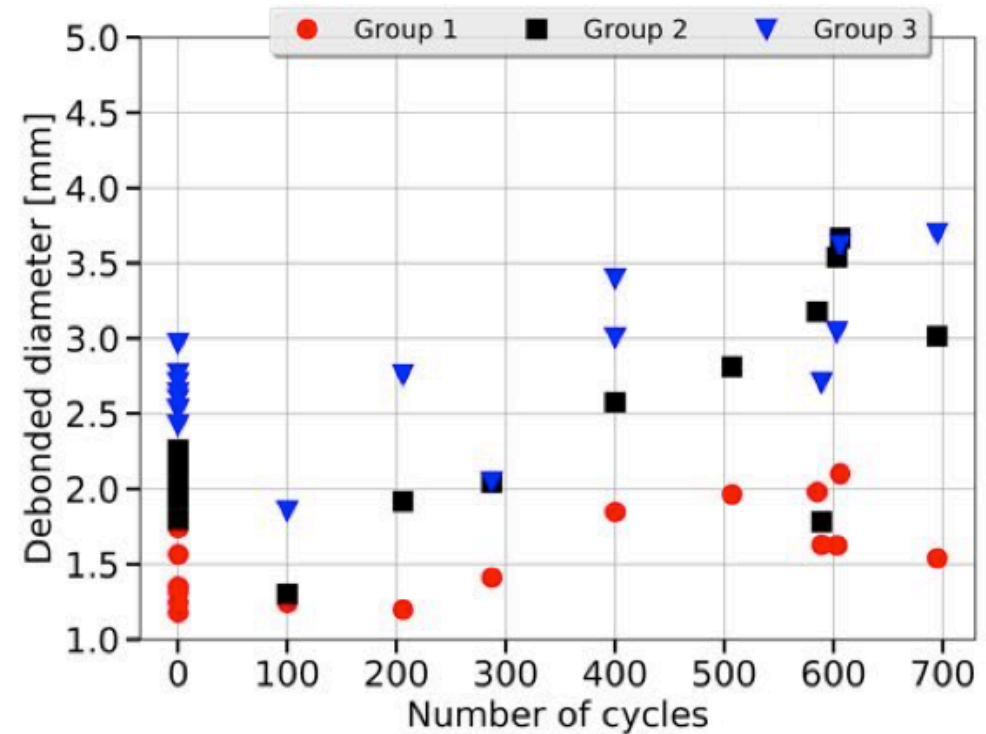


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# LASAT PROPAGATION



- strong evolution of the TBC
  - higher height of the blister
  - rumpling in initial debonded area
  - “natural” damage beyond the crack tip
- **Progressive delamination from initial defect**
- Group ranking is consistent from AR to aged condition
- progressive evolution of debonded area with the number of cycles :  $D=D(N)$

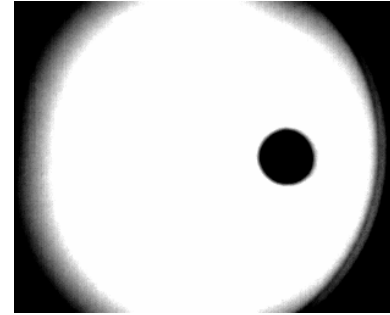


# INFLUENCE OF THERMAL CYCLING PARAMETERS

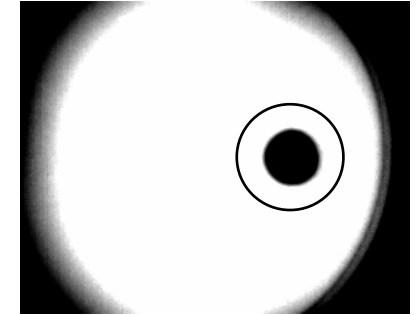
interfacial crack propagation analysis

- **IRT measurement of debonding**

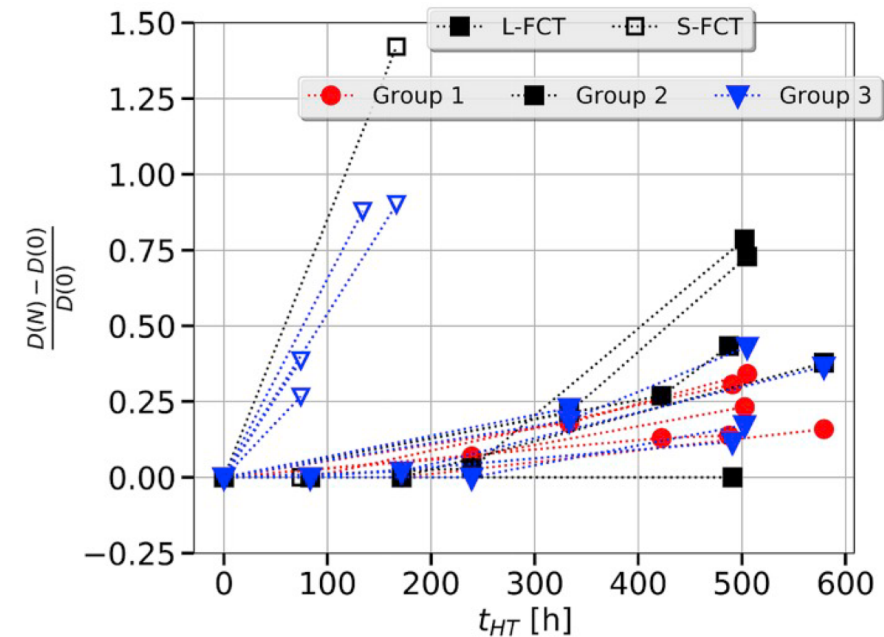
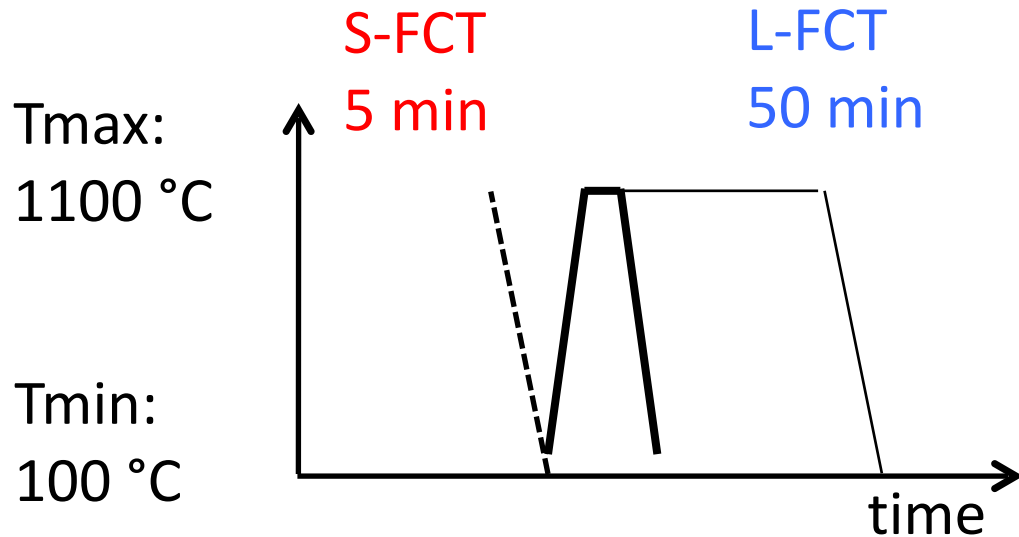
Long versus Short Furnace Cycling Test



As received



Evolution of delamination

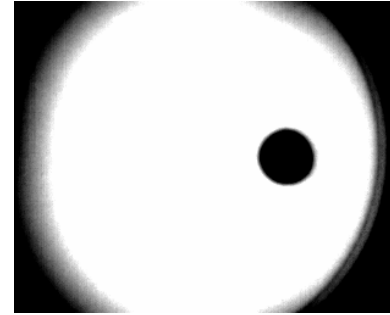


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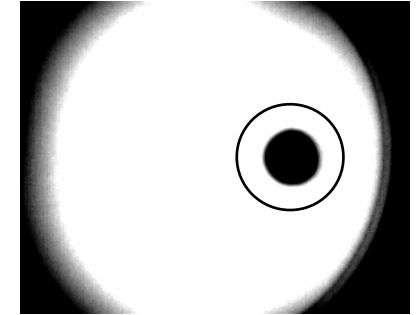
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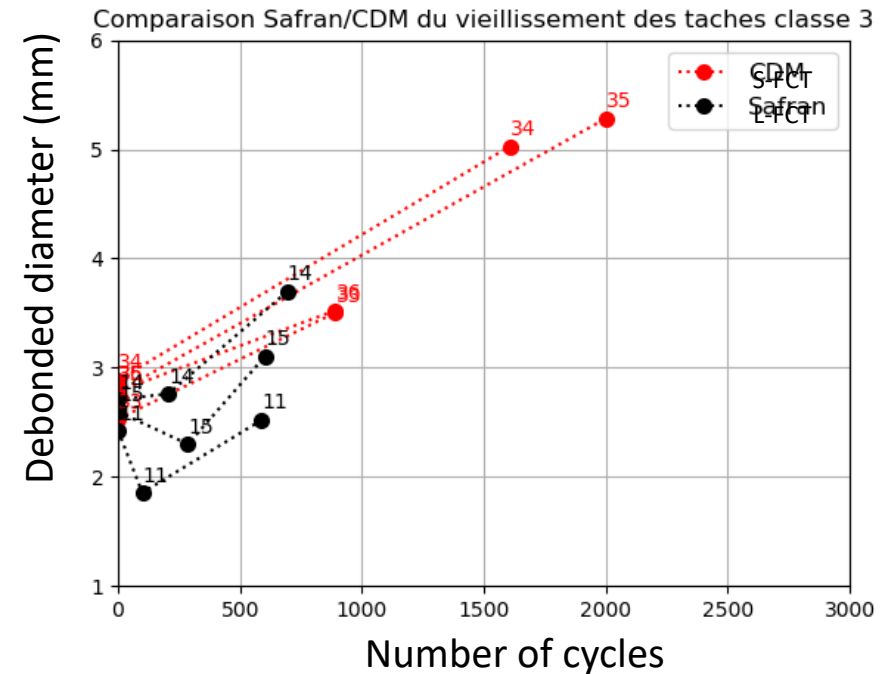
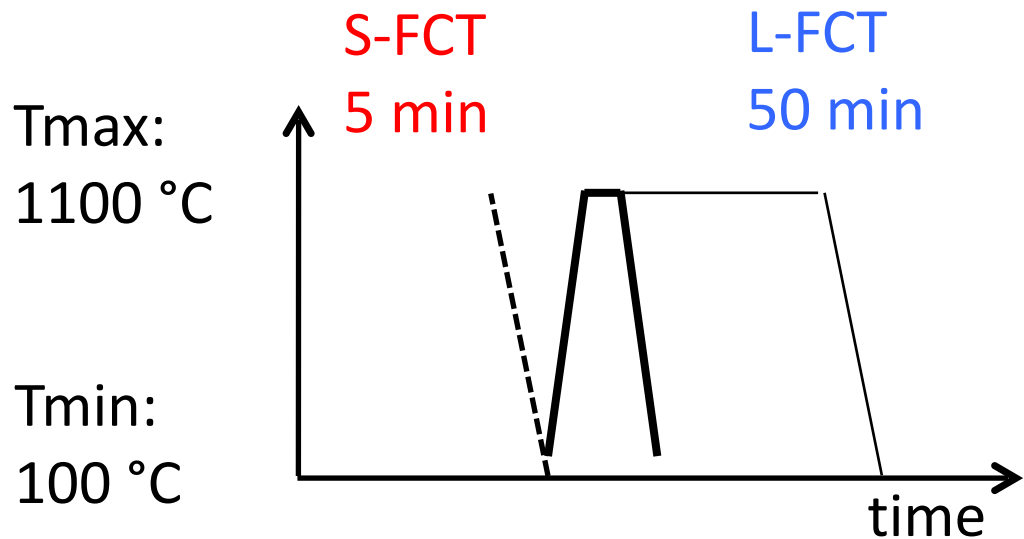
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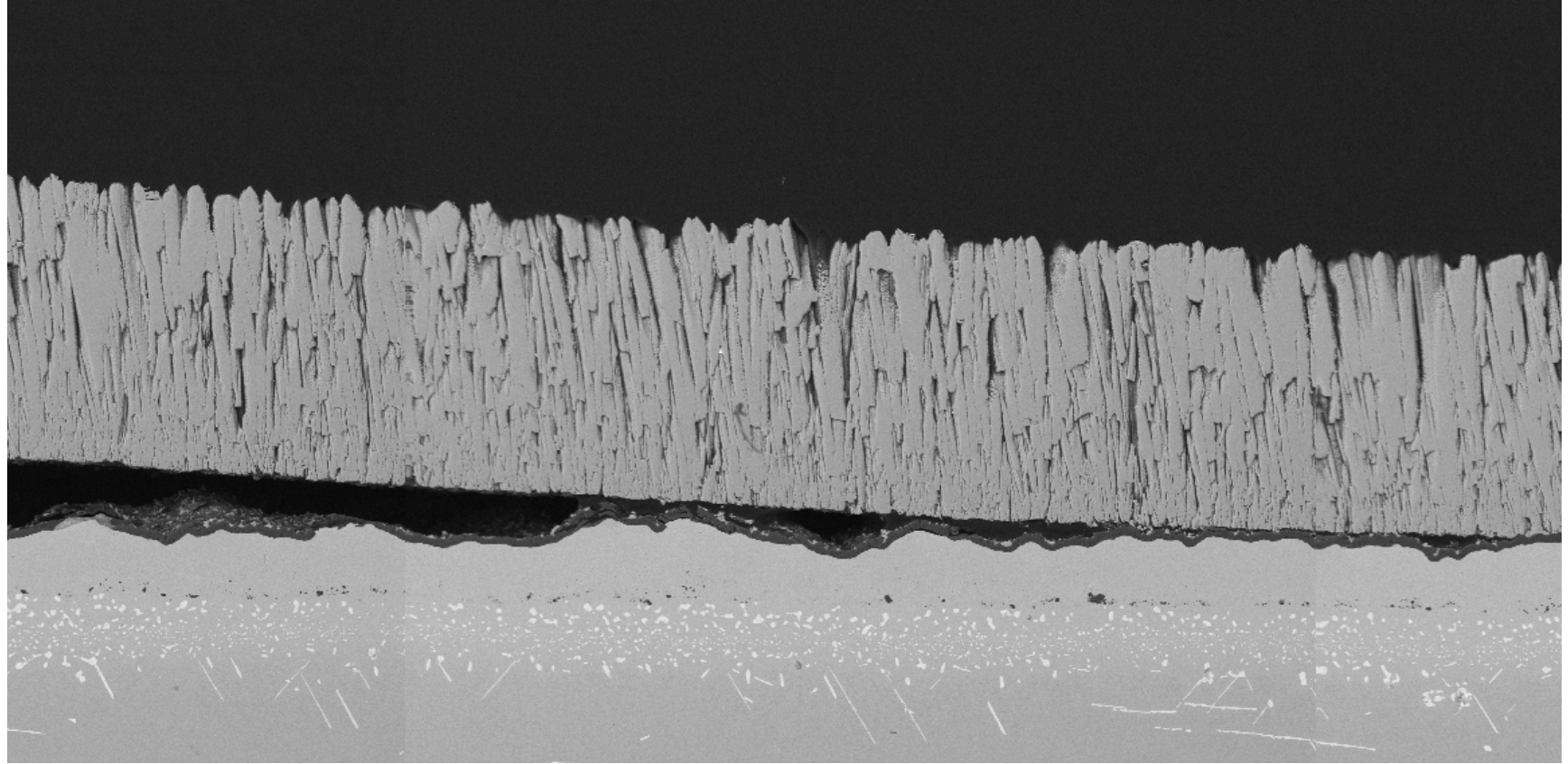


Evolution of delamination



**LASAT to introduce artificial defect to test TBC adhesion in a robust manner**

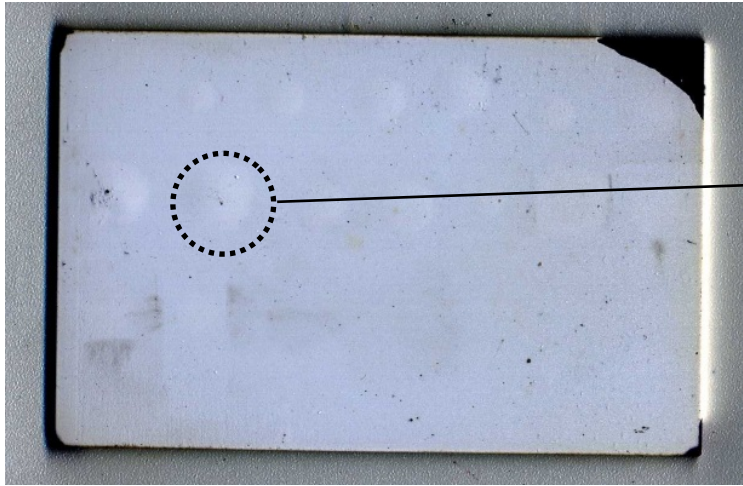
**$Nf = f(\text{fatigue crack growth rate}) \Rightarrow$  what are the driving forces ?**



# BLISTERING WITH THERMAL CYCLING

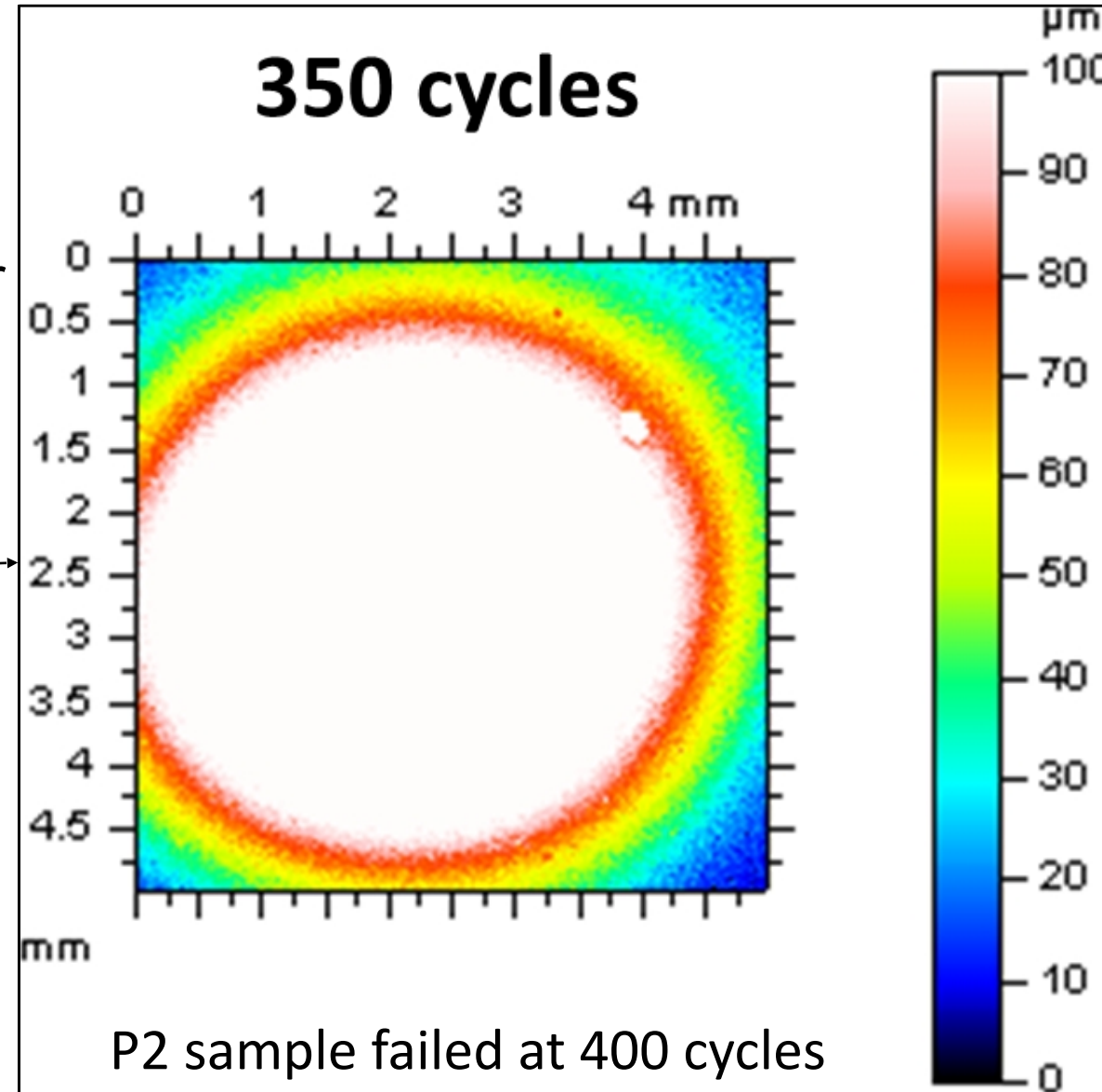
# THERMAL CYCLING ANALYSIS FROM LASAT DEFECT

- One single specimen, following one single blister
- Measurement of 3D morphology of the blister



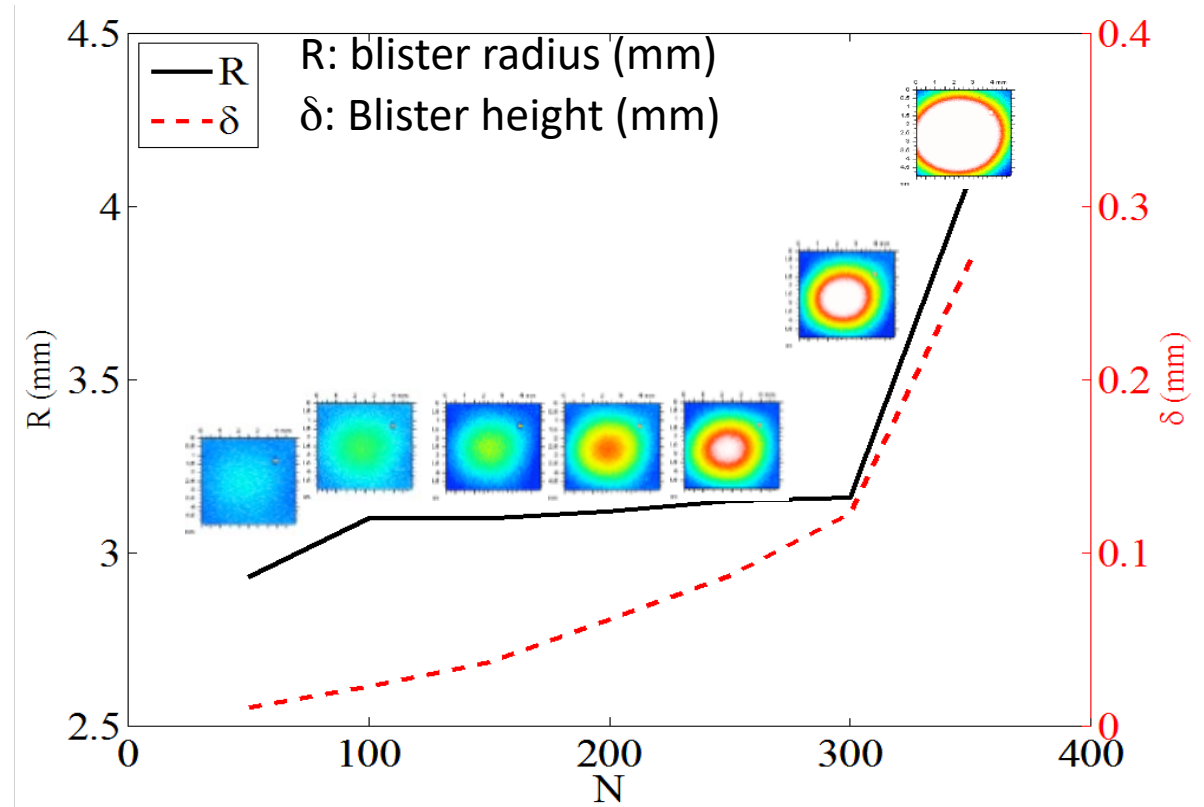
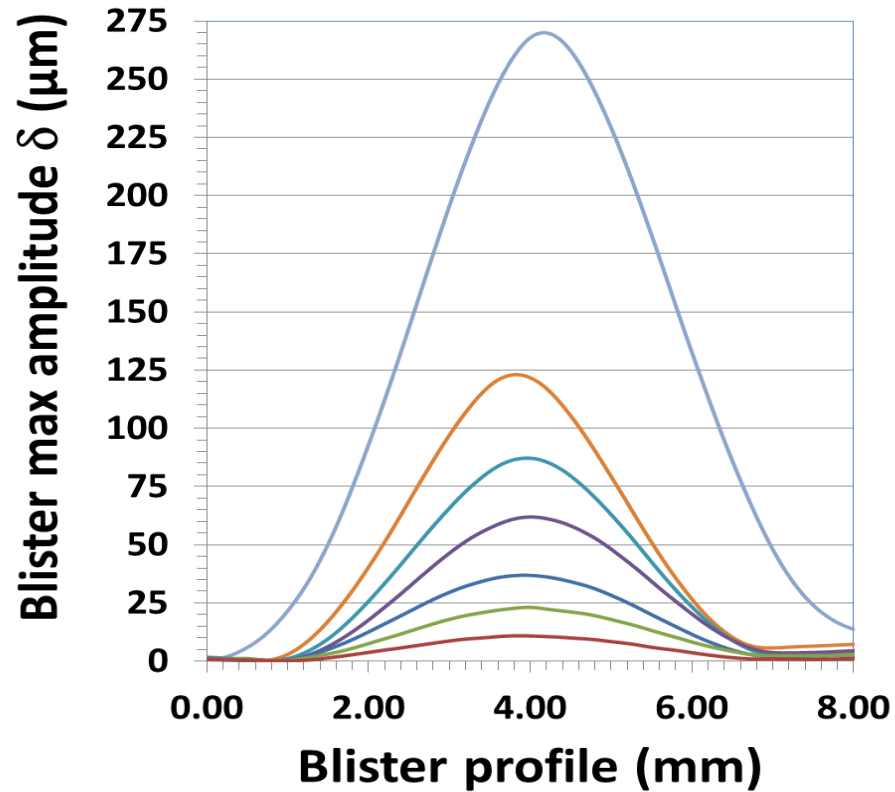
- P2 after 250 cycles

[PhD Begue]





# SINGLE BLISTER EVOLUTION WITH THERMAL CYCLING

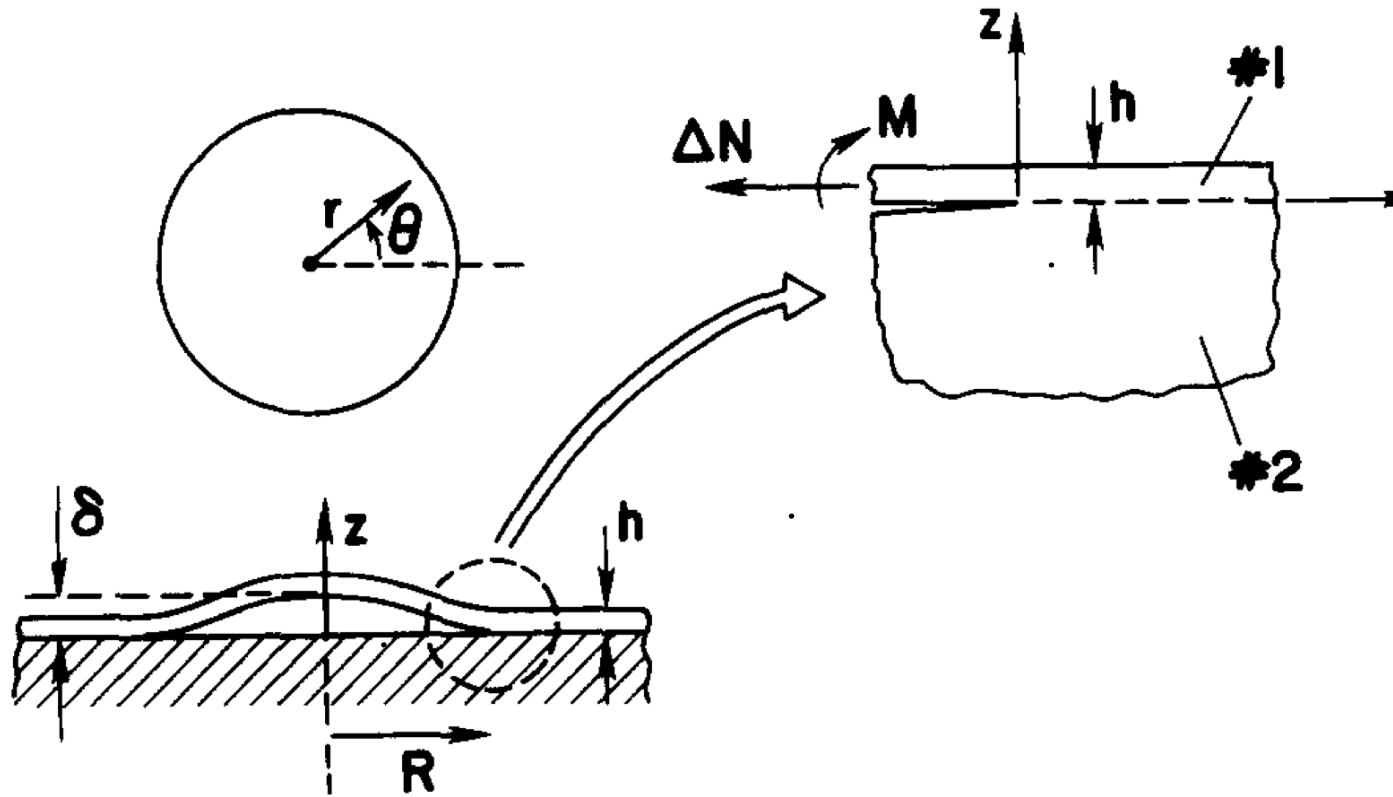


- Buckling is activated while delamination is not

# BLISTERING WITH THERMAL CYCLING

## mechanical governing equations

J. Hutchinson, M. Thouless, E. Liniger / Acta Metallurgica et Materialia 40 (2) (1992) 295 – 308



critical stress at buckling

$$\sigma_c = 1.2235 \frac{E_1}{1 - \nu_1^2} \left( \frac{h}{R} \right)^2$$

buckling height

$$\frac{\delta}{h} \cong \left[ \frac{1}{c_1} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_c} - 1 \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

energy release rate

$$G = \frac{6(1 - \nu_1^2)}{E_1 h^3} \left( M^2 + \frac{1}{12} h^2 \Delta N^2 \right)$$

# FEA OF THERMAL CYCLING

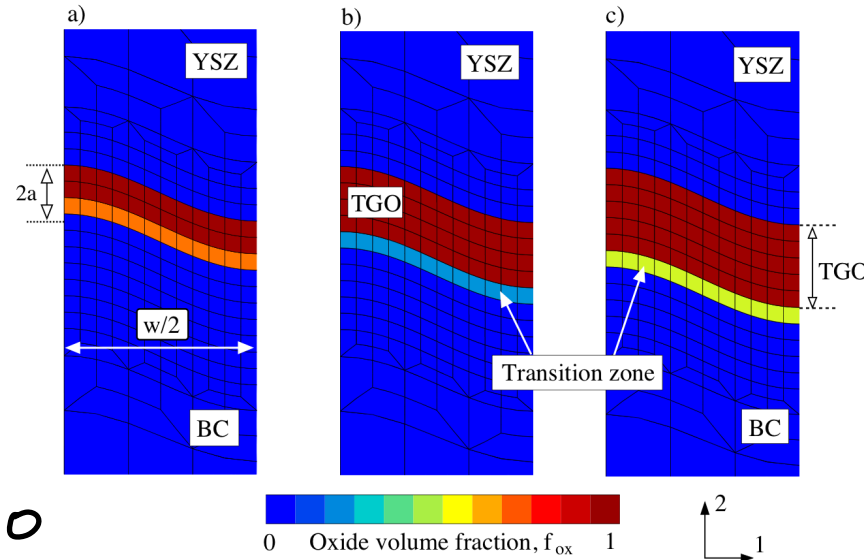
Frachon, Julien, PhD Thesis, Mines Paris, 2009

explicit model of

\* interfacial roughness

\* oxidation kinetic

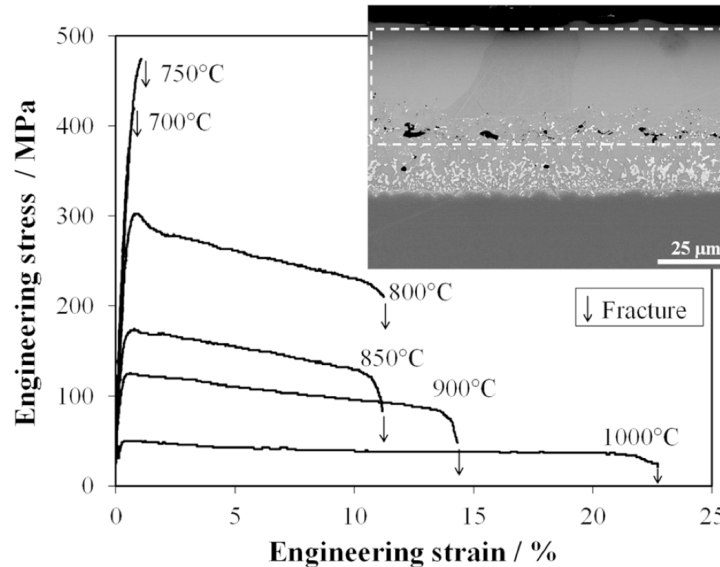
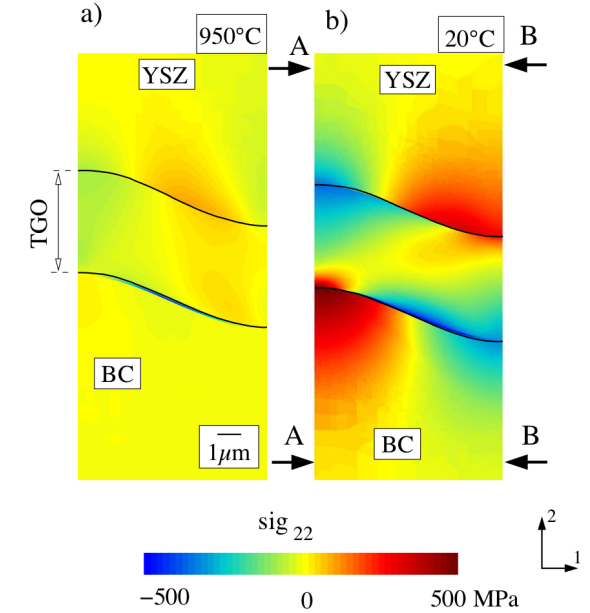
\* growth strain from BC to TGO



$$\epsilon_{hot}^{TGO} = \epsilon_m^{TGO} + \epsilon_{th}^{TGO} + \epsilon_{gr}^{TGO}$$

\* strain compatibility

$$\epsilon_{hot}^{TGO} = \epsilon_{hot}^{BC} = \epsilon_{hot}^{substrate}$$

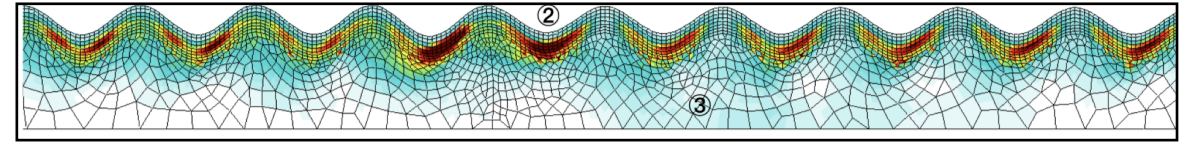
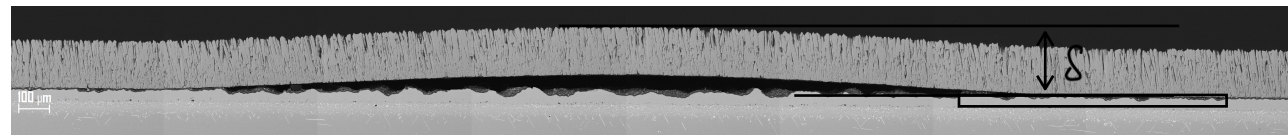


BC behavior from free standing specimens :

0.035x2x35 mm<sup>3</sup>

Texier, Damien, et al. *Met. Mat. Trans. A* 51.4 (2020): 1475-1480.

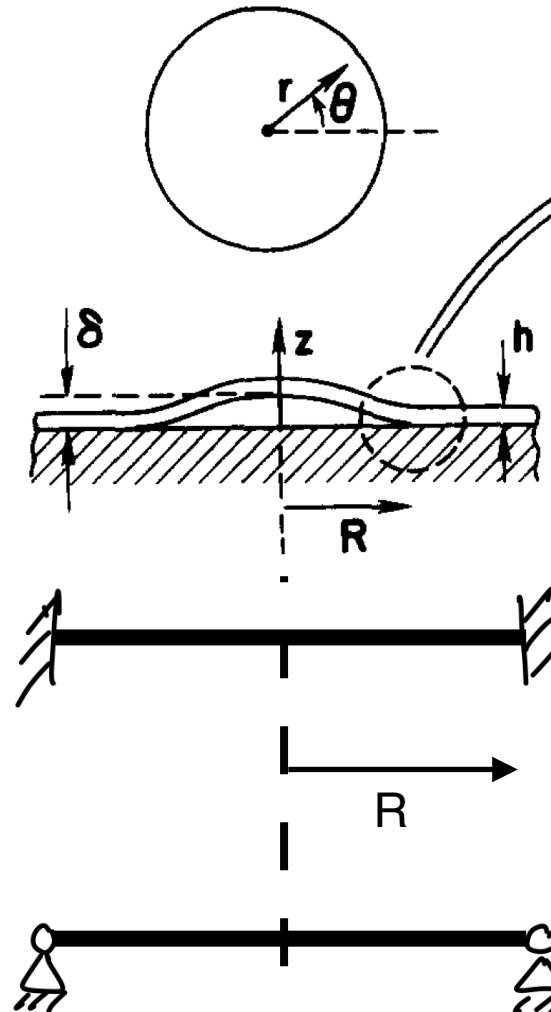
# PLASTIC HINGE : STRONG MODIFICATION OF BOUNDARY CONDITIONS



## strain localization

plasticity decreases the apparent stiffness of the BC

modifies the boundary conditions for buckling



critical stress at buckling

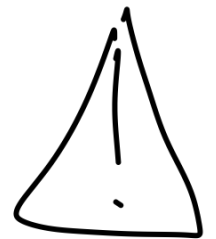
$$\sigma_c = 1.2235 \frac{E_1}{1 - \nu_1^2} \left( \frac{h}{R_{eff}} \right)^2$$

buckling height

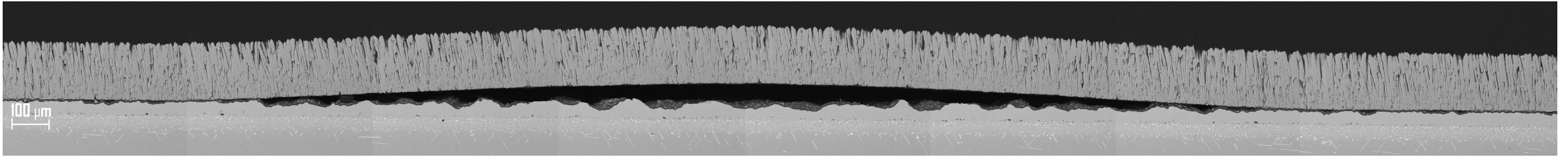
$$\frac{\delta}{h} \cong \left[ \frac{1}{c_1} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\sigma_c} - 1 \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$R_{eff} = R$$

$$R_{eff} = 2R \left[ \frac{\sigma_c / 4}{\delta \times L} \right]$$



# CONCLUSIONS



## **LASAT predefect is fantastic**

= a methodology to assess interfacial damage evolution and driving forces for cracking

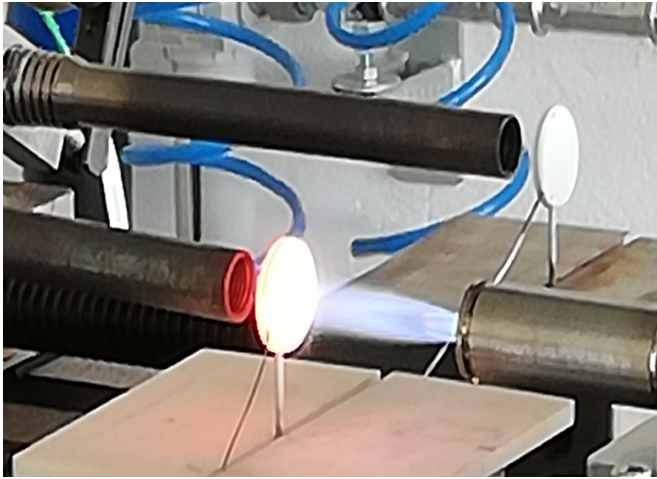
**increase of blister height precedes debonding due to crack closure**

**blister height increase is associated to strain localization in the BC**

**driving forces for blistering and damage are confirmed by FEA to be the same as for rumpling but**

- increase in available energy for blistering precedes crack growth
- because of crack closure : top of roughness is a stable configuration for crack
- damage is promoted beyond the crack tip : valley of roughness triggers damage

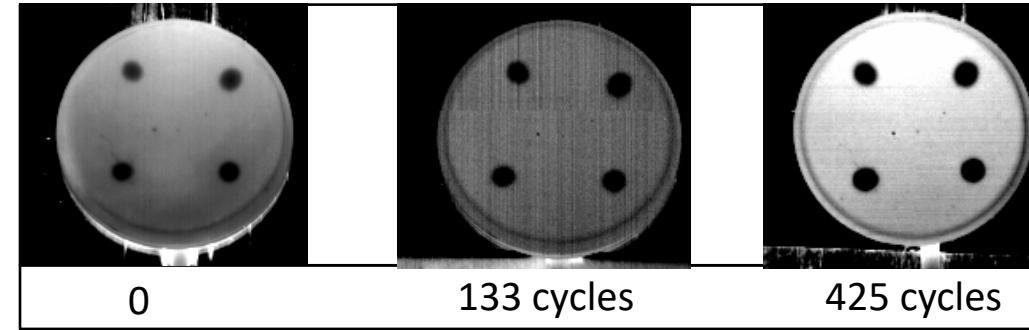
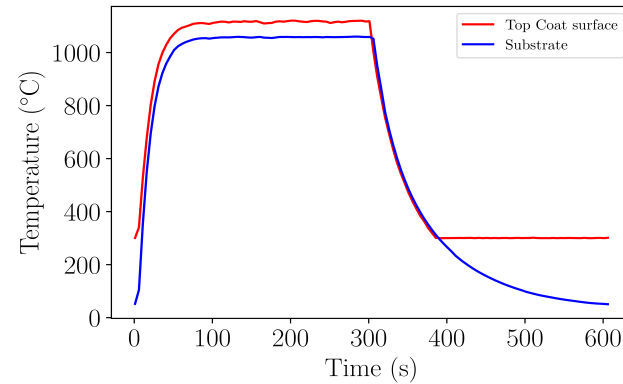
# OUTLOOK : THERMAL GRADIENT IN BURNER RIG



Thermal cycling test configuration

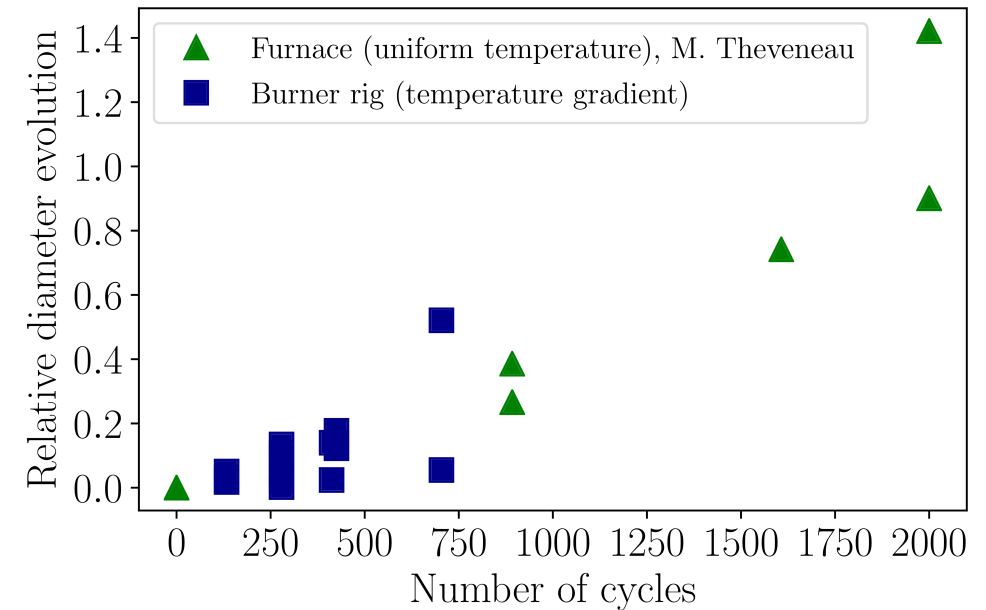
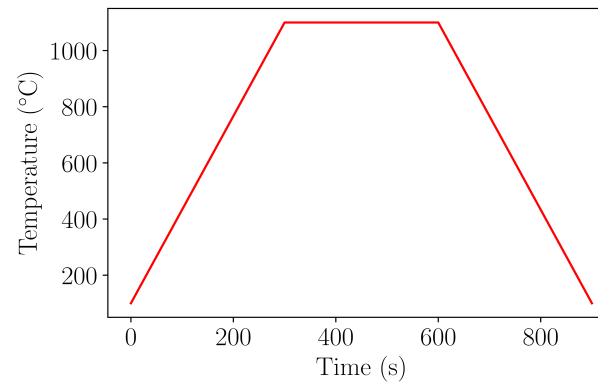
**stability of the blister in the flame (no direct failure)**  
 in situ monitoring of debonding by image analysis

Burner rig cycle



Progressive delamination measurement by infrared thermography

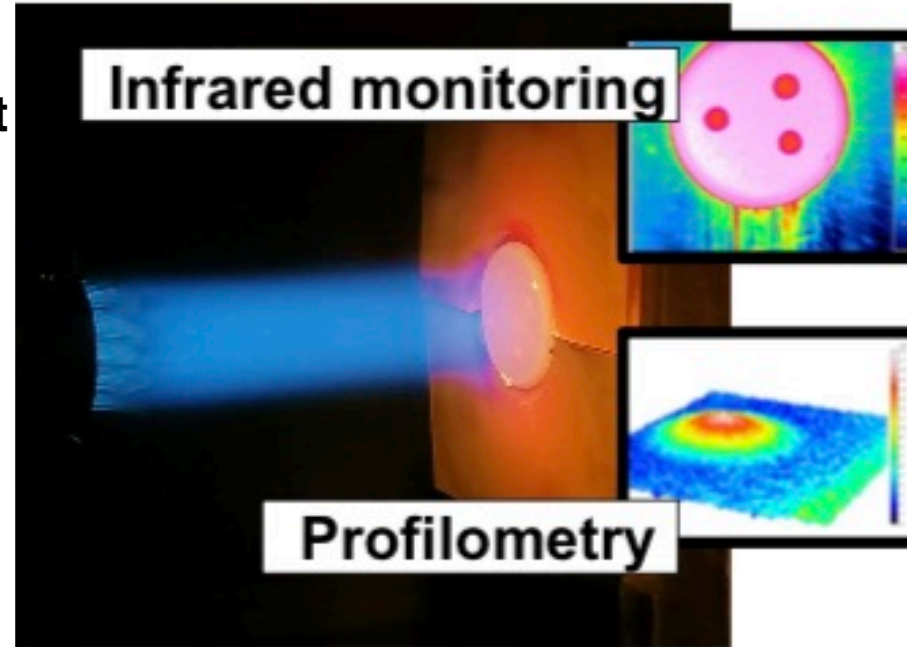
Furnace cycle



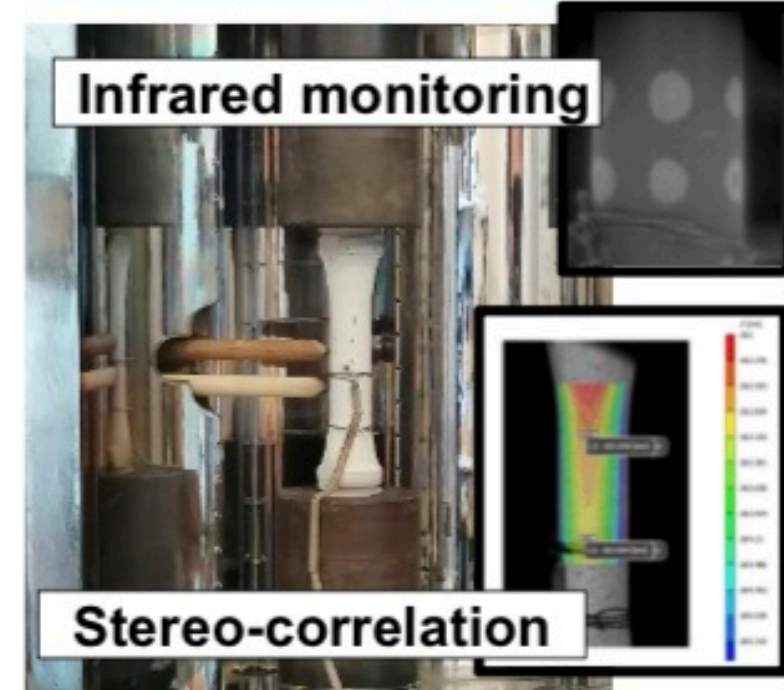
[L. Mahfouz, PhD Safran]

# LABEGA PROJECT : THERMAL GRADIENT IN BURNER RIG

## Burner Rig Cycling - Jülich



## TMF Cycling - CdM



LABEGA German/French project

Julich IEK1 R Vaßen D Mack

=> PhD Thesis Jens Igel

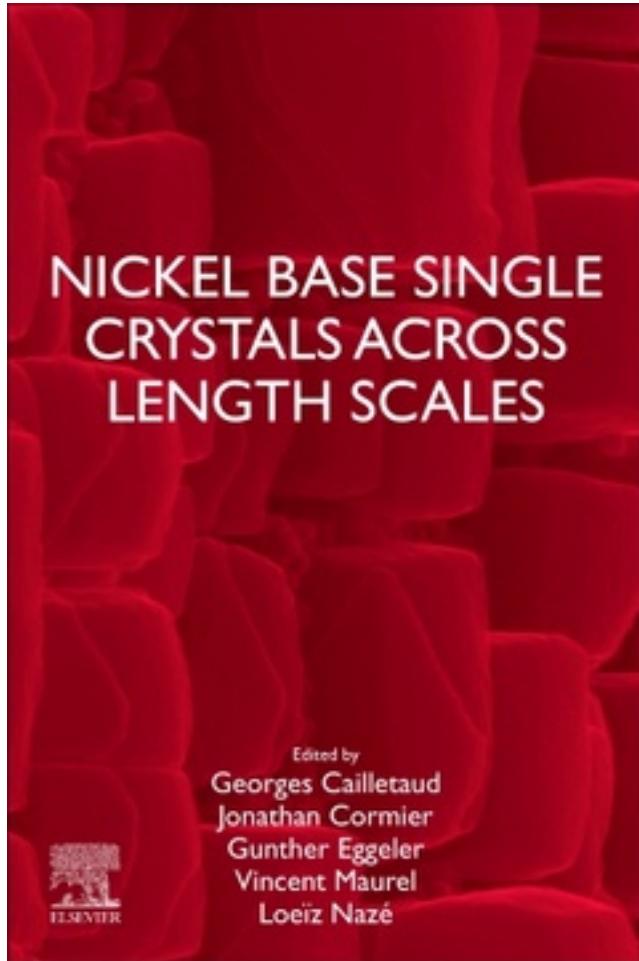
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=>PhD Thesis Lara Mahfouz

Safran

Florent Coudon, Mark Harvey



## webinar series

online next Septembre, 9th, at 3 pm (Paris Time).

### **Microstructure characterization (in Ni base single crystal superalloys)**

Pr. Cathie M.F. Rae from the University of Cambridge (UK) and Pr. Florence Pettinari-Sturmel from CEMES/University of Toulouse (France).

online next October, 6th(\*), at 2 pm (Paris Time).

### **Coated single crystal superalloys: processing, characterization, and modeling of protective coatings.**

Pr R Vaßen from Jülich IEK1 (Germany) and V. Maurel from Mines Paris (France)

(\*) TBC



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