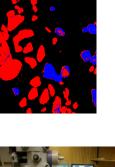
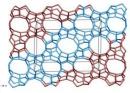
### **NEW** techniques for **TEM** nanoanalysis precession electron diffraction for organic – inorganic nanostructures









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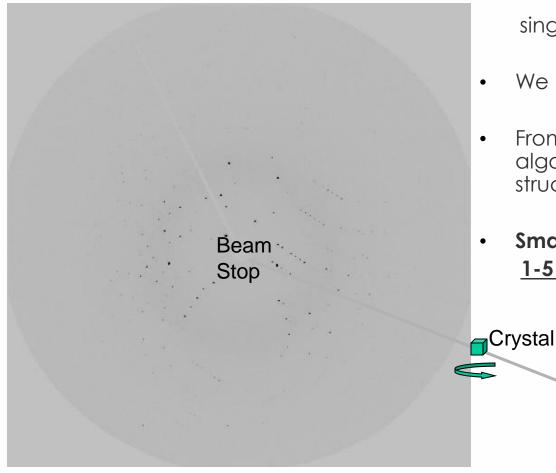


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### X-ray Diffraction (single crystal ): all info in reciprocal space

Bragg law  $n\lambda = 2dsin\theta$ 



• Single X-Ray diffractometer collects set of 3d HKL reflections

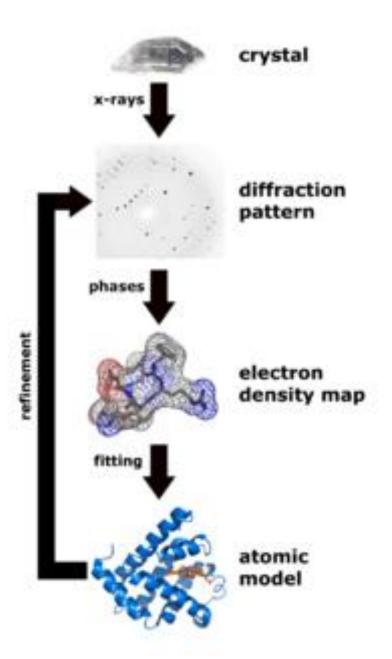
single crystal dim. about 0.3 mm

- We measure HKL intensities
- From direct methods (mathem. algoritms) we find directly crystal structure : atomic positions
- Smallest cystals for str.determination
  <u>1-5 micron : Synchrotron solution</u>

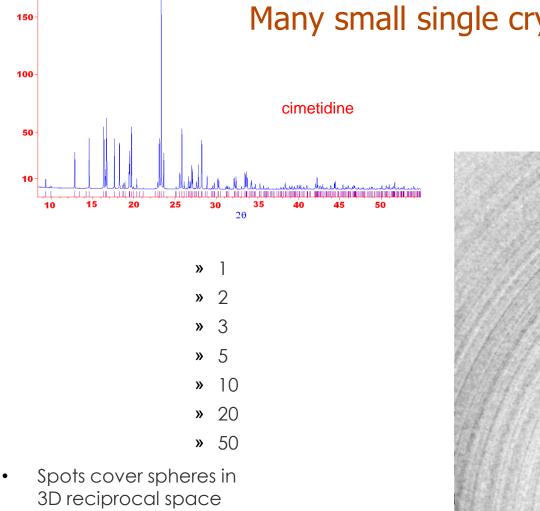
X-rays in

# X-ray Crystallography

X-ray crystallography is the science of determining the arrangement of atoms within a crystal from the manner in which a beam of X-rays is scattered from the electrons within the crystal. The method produces a three-dimensional picture of the density of electrons within the crystal, from which the mean atomic positions, their chemical bonds, their disorder and sundry other information can be derived.

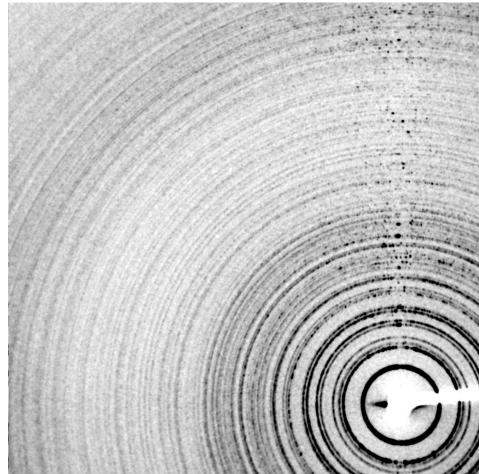






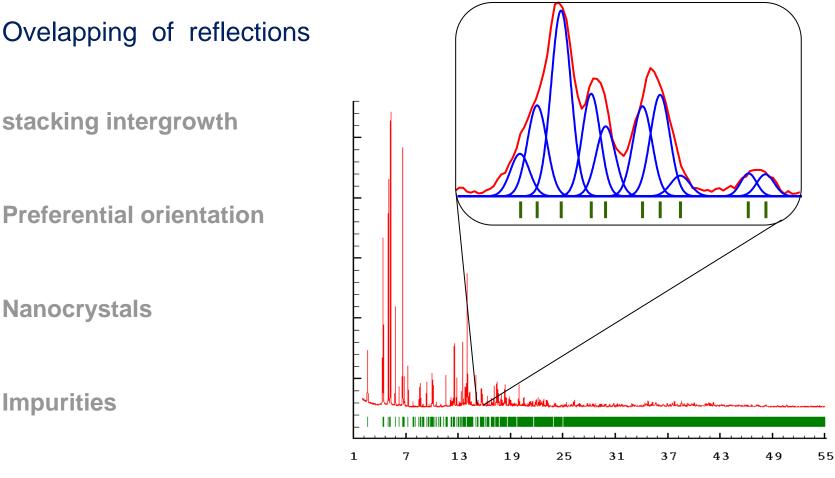
- 2D area detector takes a slice
- (on Ewald sphere)
- 1D powder scan measures
  distance from origin

## Many small single crystals make a powder



Courtesy I.Margiolaki ESRF Grenonble

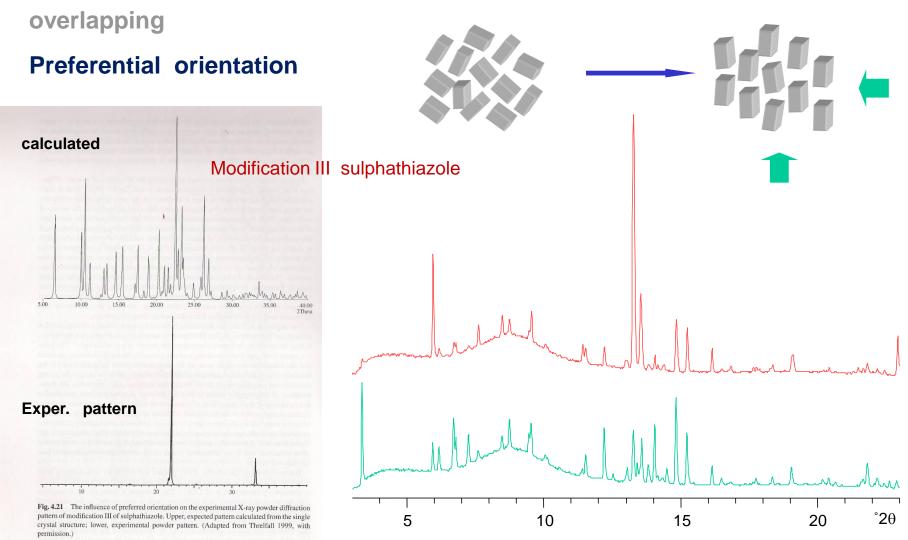
# X- Ray powder diffraction: limitations



Light atoms (Li, Be)

 $2\theta$  (°)

# **X-** Ray powder diffraction limitations



From book J.Bernstein Polym in molecular crystals

# X- Ray powder diffraction limitations

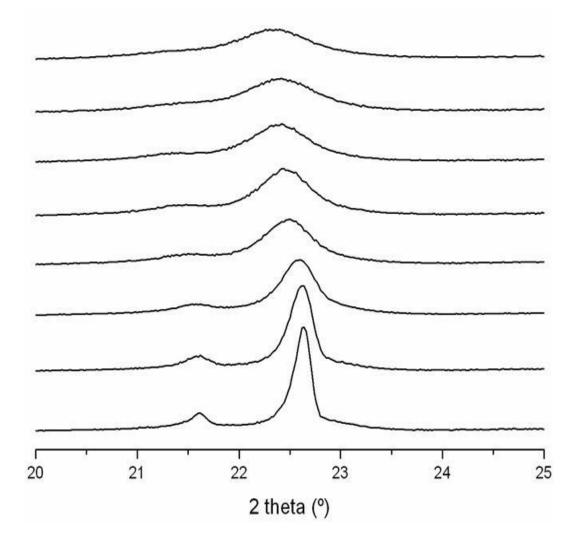
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**Stacking intergrowth** 

**Preferential orientation** 

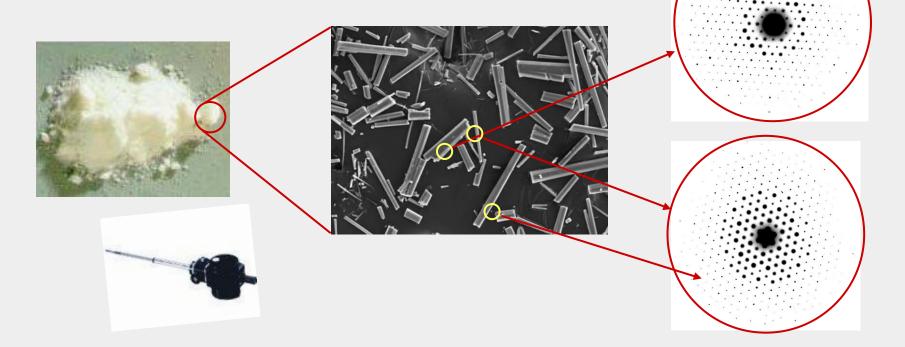
Impurities

Light atoms (Li, Be)



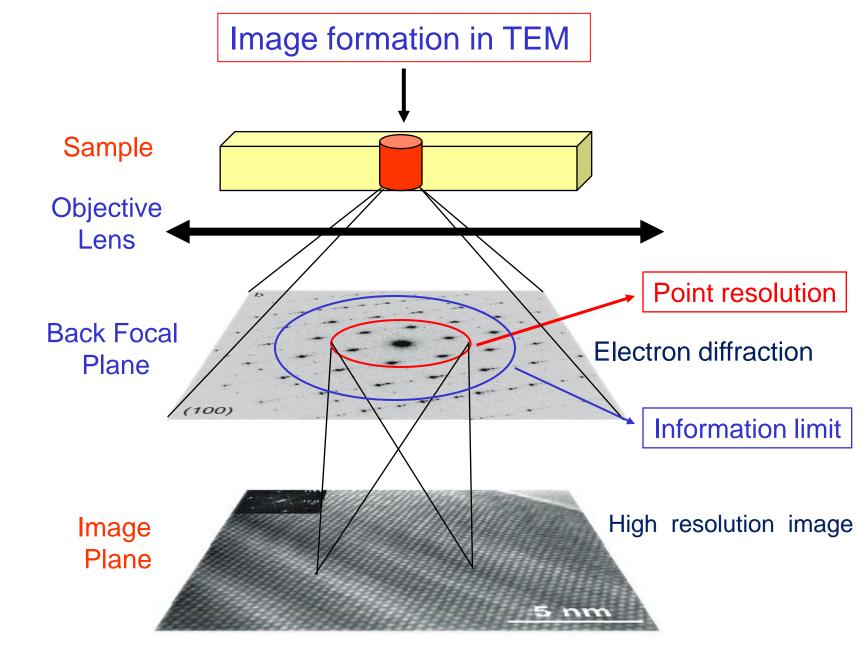
Electron diffraction in transmission electron microscope (TEM)

#### **Powder pattens : sum of individual nanocrystals**

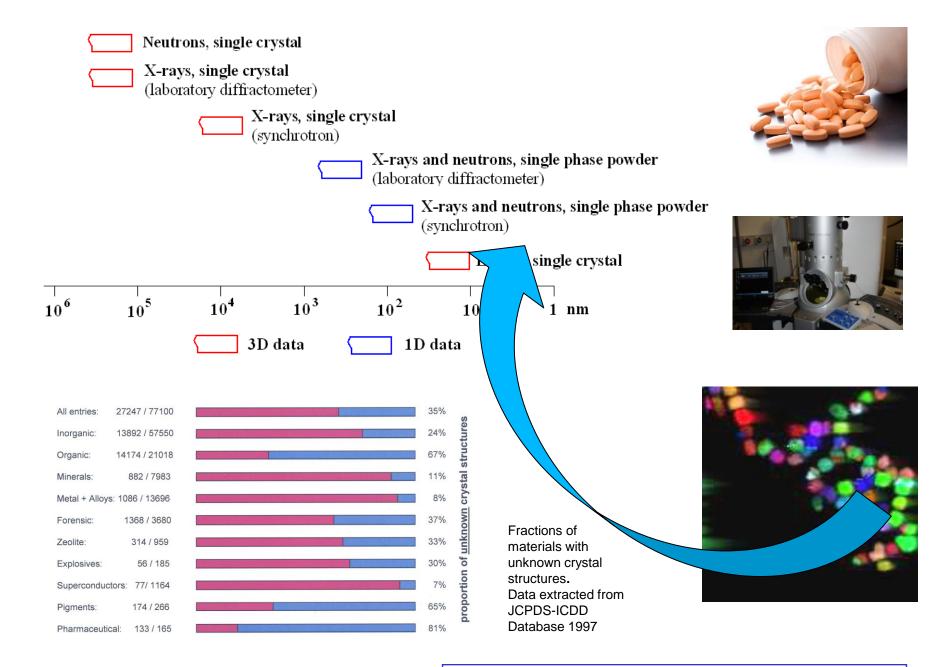


Cell parameter and symmetry determination from nm single crystals









Advanced Tools for electron diffraction

With TEM we can analyze nm size crystals

# Characterization

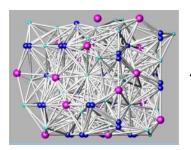
### for new unknown compound



# Find crystal cell parameters Find atomic crystal structure Texture – (multi) phase analysis

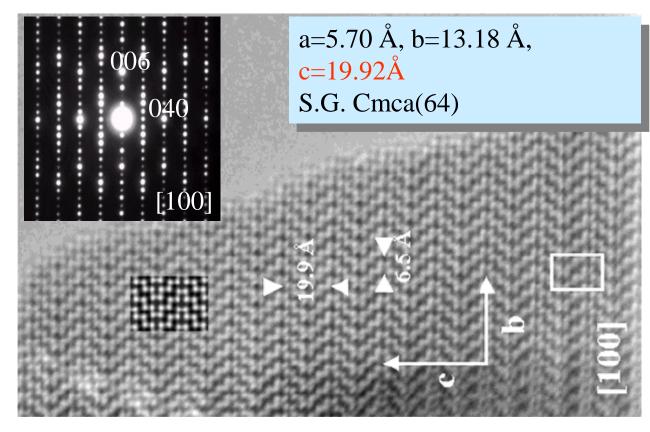


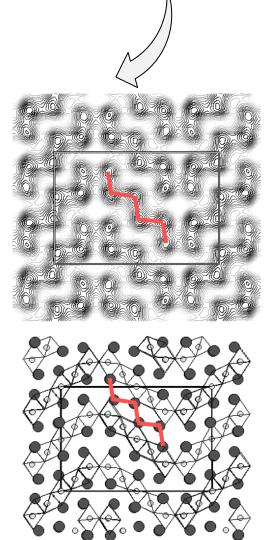
## High resolution TEM : only 2D projected atomic structure



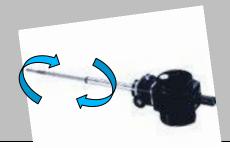


NOT possible to get <u>3D atomic model</u>



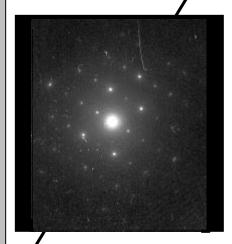


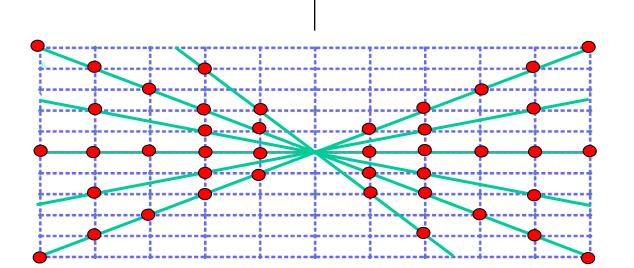
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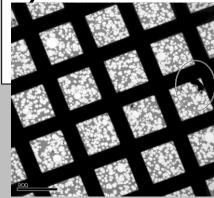


# Find crystal cell parameters

### **TEM : manual tilt series acquisition**

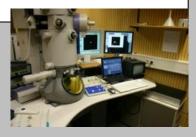


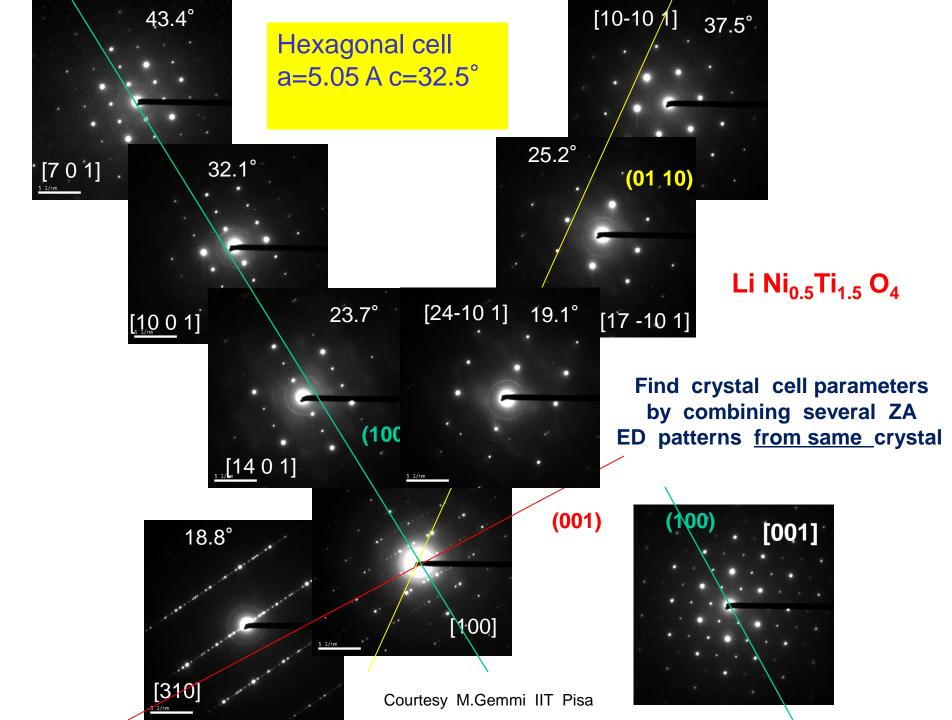




**Problem : "missing cone" = lost data** 

#### Courtesy : Prof. U Kolb UMainz





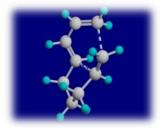


## **ORGANIC crystals : beam sensitive**

# Only possible to collect several (non ZA oriented ED patterns)

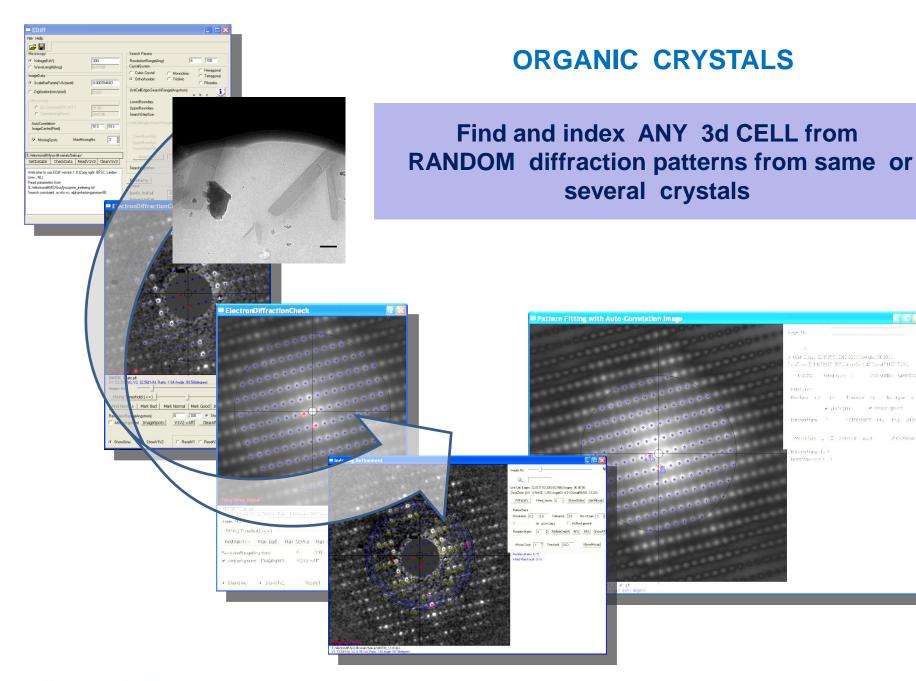
from different crystals





Penicillin G, courtesy Dr.D.Gueorguieva Leiden Univ NL







Courtesy JP Abrahams, D.Georguieva Univ Leiden

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# Characterization

### for new unknown compound

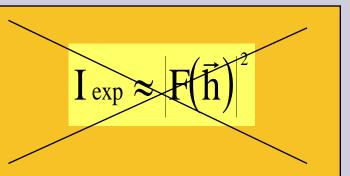


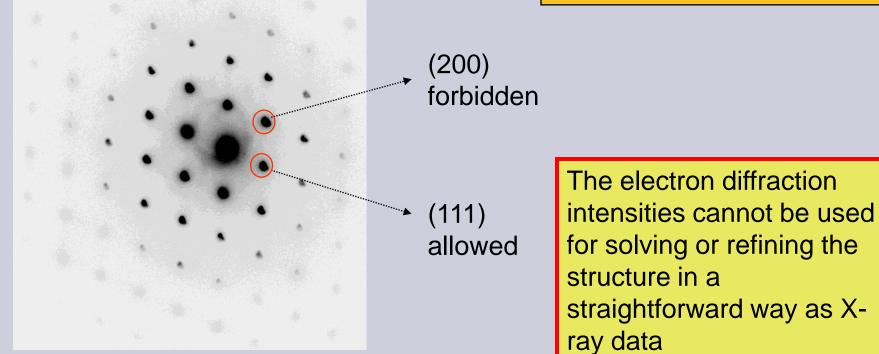
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### Electron diffraction

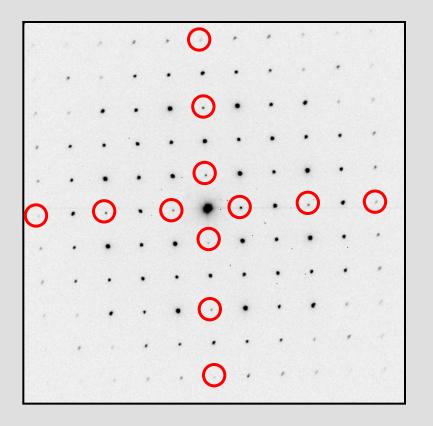
### Electron diffraction is <u>highly dynamical</u>



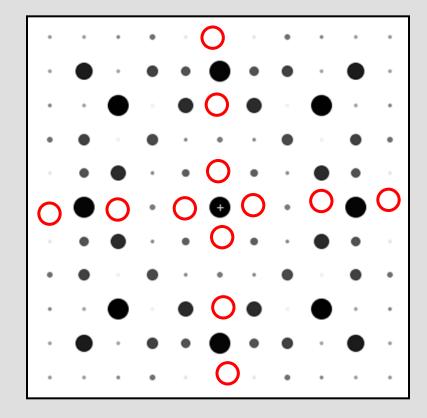


# Si [011] spg Fd3m (h00) allowed only if h=4n





Normal electron diffraction pattern (dynamical) thickness > 10 nm



Ideal kinematic diffraction pattern (like X-Ray)

Melilite: tetragonal a=b=7.8A c=5.0A  $P-4 2_1 m$ 

Space group extinction rules :(h00) e (0k0) h=2n, k=2n

Courtesy M.Gemmi Univ Milano

Electron (precession) diffraction : the right way to solve nanostructures in TEM



Electron diffraction intensities ( usually dynamical ) cannot be used ( like X-Ray ) to solve structures, as they lead in wrong structural models



Precession electron diffraction in TEM has been discovered in Bristol, UK by Vincent and Midgley (1994, Ultramicroscopy 53, 271)



During beam precession, the beam is tilted and precessed at high frequency though the optical axis on a conical surface : crystal is not moving, but Ewald sphere is precessing aroung the optical axis

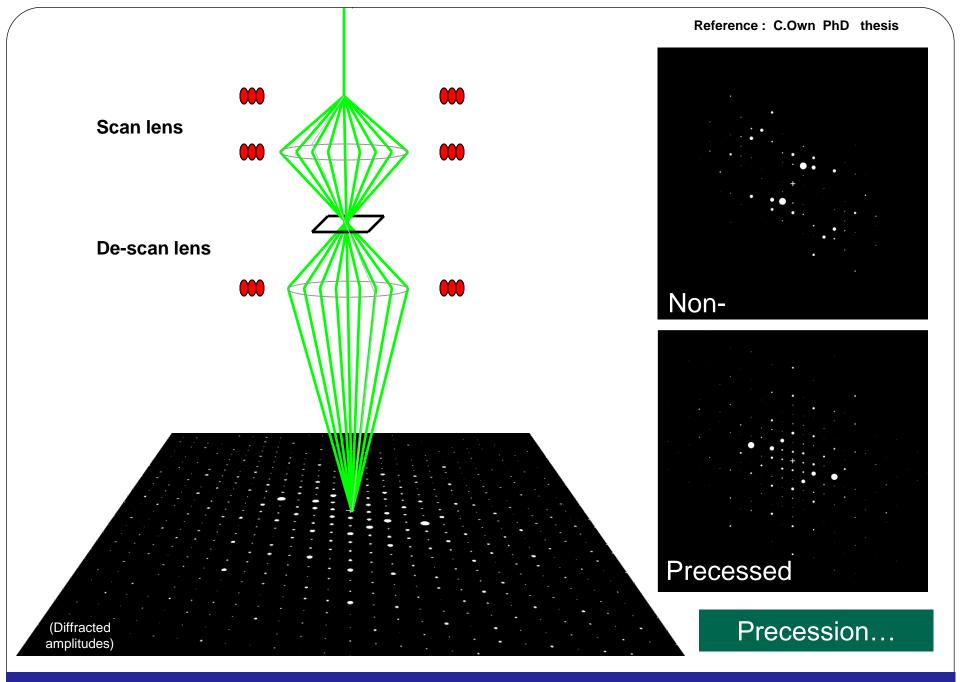


Due to precession many HKL intensities far out in reciprocal space appear with intensities integrated over the excitation error



Precession intensities behave much closer to ideal (kinematical) intensities, therore can be used to solve crystal nanostructures (Ultramicroscopy, vol.107, issue 6-7, July 2007)





### THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

### DigiSTAR digital precession unit



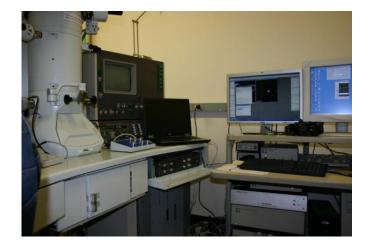
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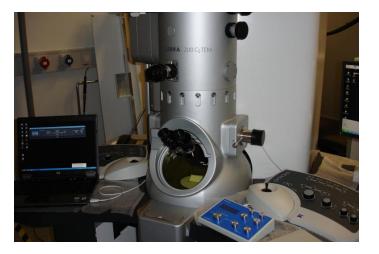
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### **Digital precession interface for advanced TEM**











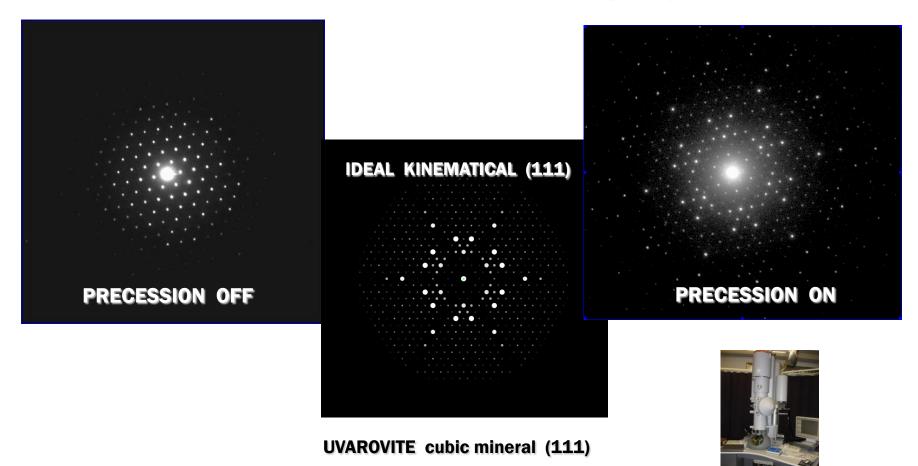
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### PRECESSION : QUASI – KINEMATICAL (X-Ray like) INTENSITIES



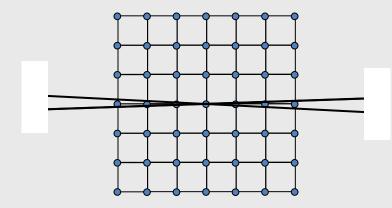
When applying precession, dynamical conventional SAED patterns (left) they become very close to kinematical (right); compare with simulated kinematical intensities pattern (center).

Observe the film of cubic mayenite mineral along 111 ZA , ED pattern how it changes from dynamical to very kinematical at increasing precession angle



Courtesy M.Gemmi Univ of Milano

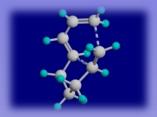
# Advantages of precession in single exposure data collection



with beam precession, Ewald sphere also precess though the reciprocal space

- More fully recorded reflections
- More spots per image
- Reduced dynamic effect

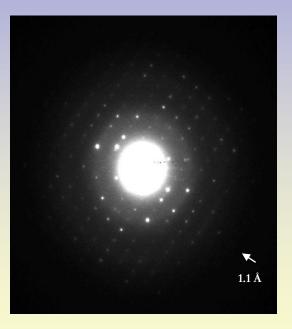




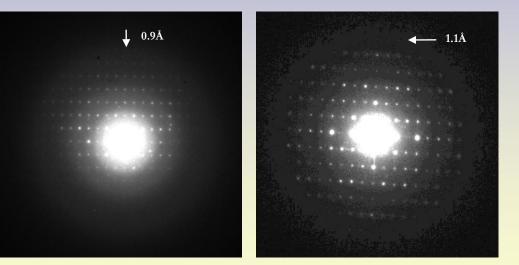
### **Precession from pharmaceutical nanocrystals**

PED patterns in pharmaceutical crystals allow to work with close or with ZA oriented patterns, revealing true crystal symmetry and kinematical intensities good for structure determinations

### amoxycillin



#### penicillin G-potassium



without precession

without precession

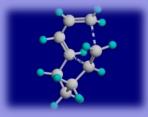
with precession



Samples C.Giacovazzo CNR Bari

Courtesy JP Abrahams, D.Georguieva Univ Leidenc

Precession electron diffraction (PED) from penicillin G – potassium



#### oriented PED patterns show Laue class symmetry

Laue class

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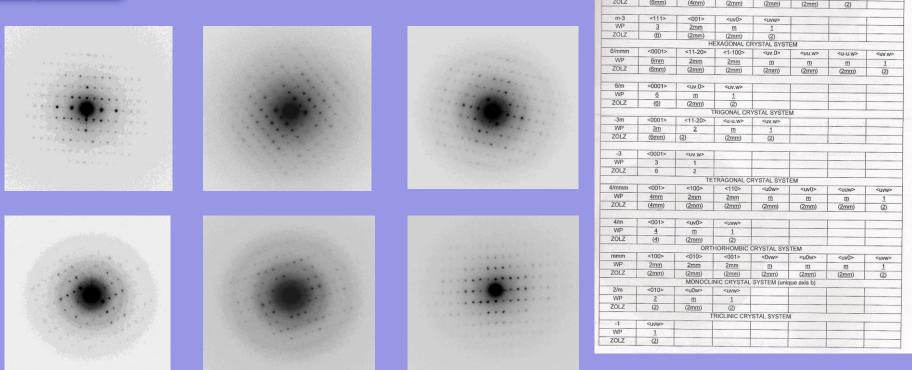
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#### Easier to find crystal cell parameters from "randomly oriented" PED patterns Orthorombic a = 6.4 A b = 9.4 A c = 30 A



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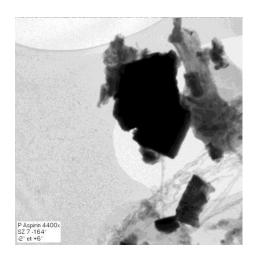
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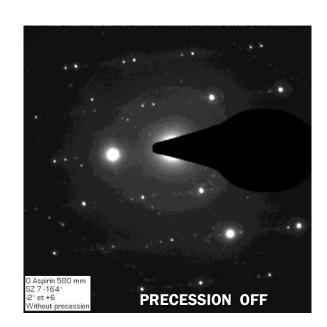
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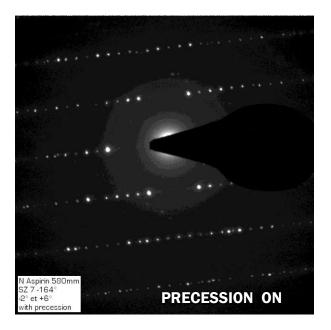
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### **Obtaining « randomly oriented » PED in PHARMACEUTICALS**



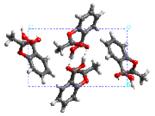
# **ASPIRIN**





#### Potential Polymorphs of Aspirin

The Polymorph Predictor was used to examine the potential for additional polymorphs of aspirin.

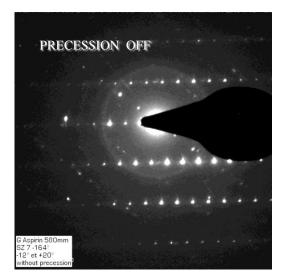


The crystal structure for aspirin. Click on it for a more detailed picture.

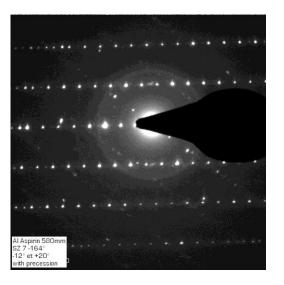
Aspirin, also known as acetylsalicylic acid, has numerous pharmaceutical applications. First synthesized in 1897, aspirin is only found experimentally in



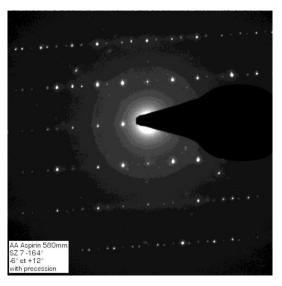
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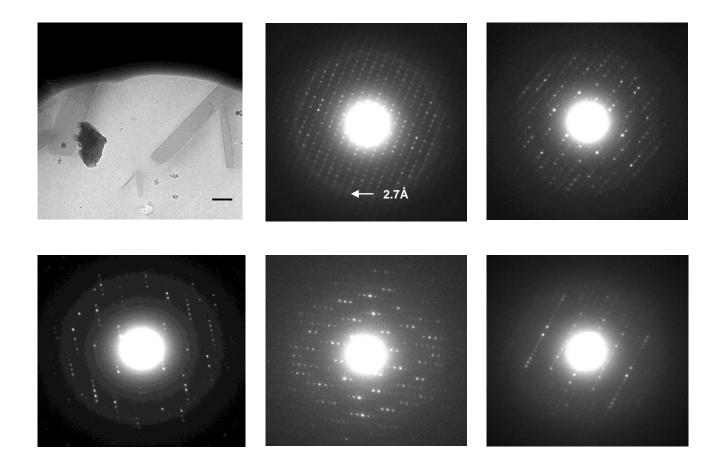
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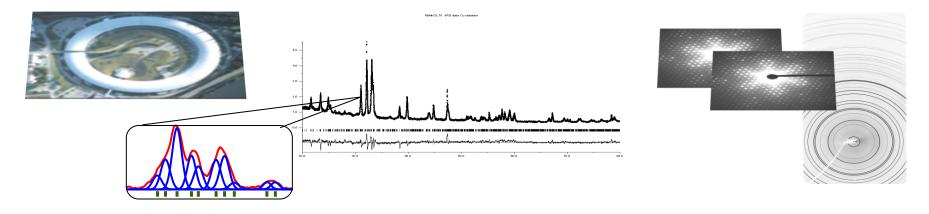
#### **PRECESSION ON**

Data collection : precession electron diffraction from lysozyme nanocrystals  $P4_32_12$  a=b=79.2 A ,c=38.0 A



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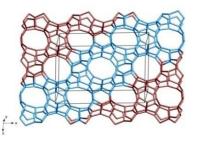
### Combine precession electron diffraction - powder X-Ray diffraction to solve complex structures



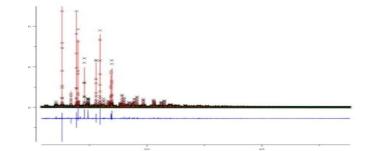
Information from PED can be combined with *hkl reflections from X-Ray* powder diffraction to accurately solve and refine *ab-initio* structures using either *charge-flipping* algorithms or direct methods.

- technique is useful for poorly crystallized / nm size pollycrystalline materials
- useful for solving structures of complex organic and inorganic materials
- useful in presence of unknown phases in X-Ray powder pattern

one of the most complex known zeolites TNU-9 (Si<sub>19</sub>O <sub>234</sub>) has been solved by combining Synchrotron X-Ray powder results and data from 5 ZA PED patterns from 300 kV TEM

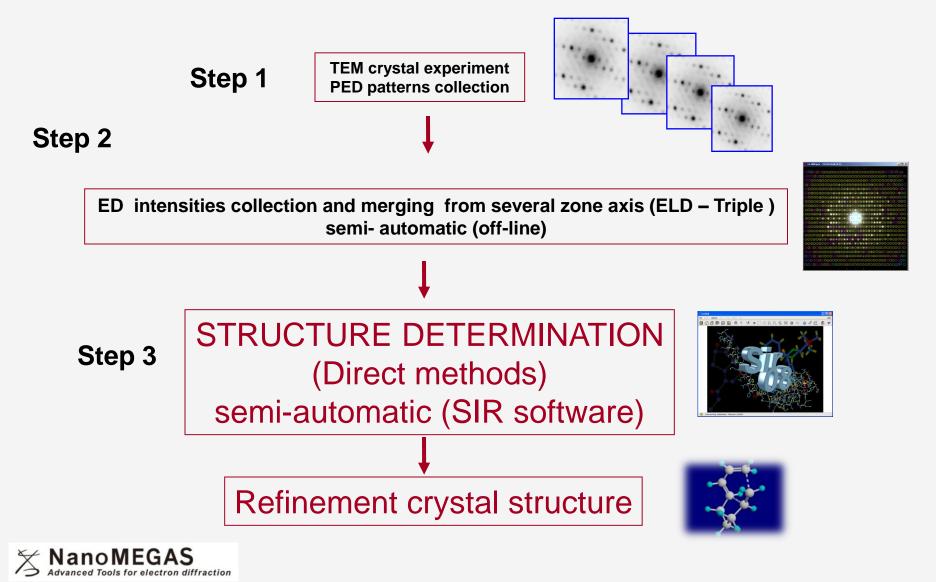






# **Precession electron diffraction :**

# ab initio determination of nanostructures



Precession electron diffraction : steps to solve crystal structure

STEP 1 : collect precession diffraction patterns from oriented ZA; for symmetrical crystals ( cubic, tetragonal ) a few 3-4 patterns may be enough ; collection can be done with films ( less precise method as films are easily saturated in intensity , image plates , CCD or our electron diffraction dedicated electron diffractometer )



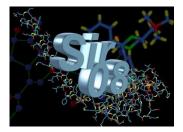
STEP 2: extract electron diffraction intensities automatically by software; merging intensities from different ZA by comparing and establish scale factor between common row intensities

STEP 3 : after reducing intensities , considering possible space group symmetry , imput HKL and intensities at direct methods software using electrion diffraction scattering factors ( example SIR2008 , SHELX etc.. ) to solve structure

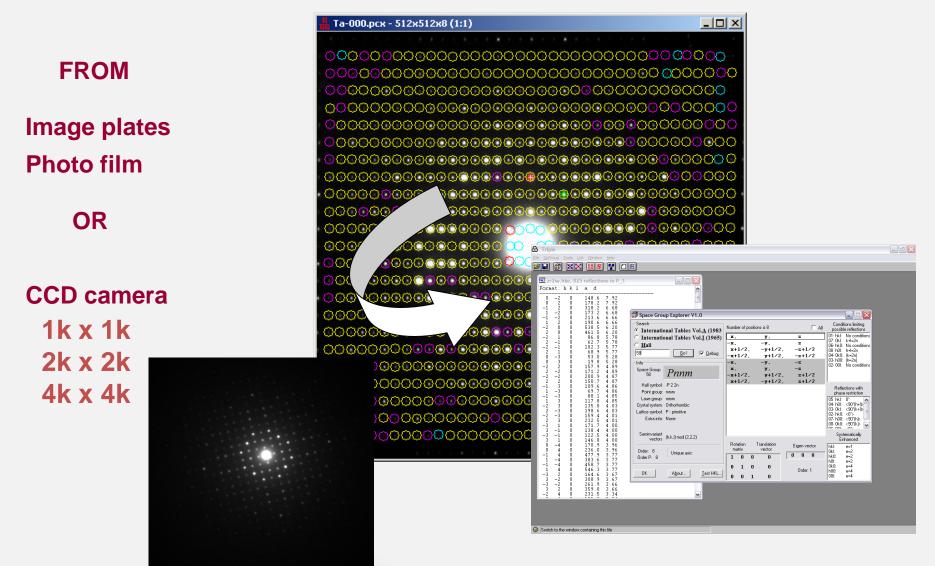


STEP 4 : all atomic positions and atomic type will appear as one of the most probable solutions; heavy atoms are usually all placed in correct positions, while lighter atoms ( eg oxygen appear displaced from ideal positions ).

R crystallographic residual from PED intensities is usually between 10-25 % as structure solution by electron diffraction is less precise than X-Ray solution where R is 3-5%



### Electron diffraction intensities are measured automatically









Use Direct methods, charge flipping (like X-Ray) to solve crystal structures

### **DIRECT METHODS** (electron scattering)

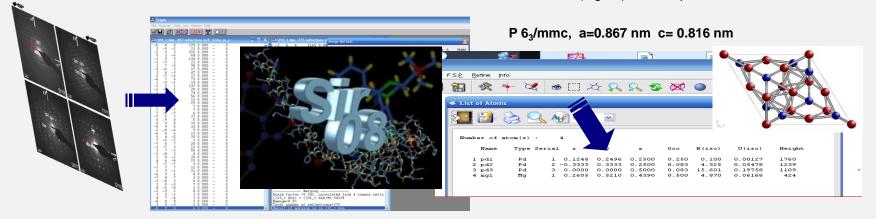
SIR 96, SIR 2007, SIR 2008, FOX ,....

Structure solution with direct methods: SIR2008 http://www.ic.cnr.it/registration\_form.php

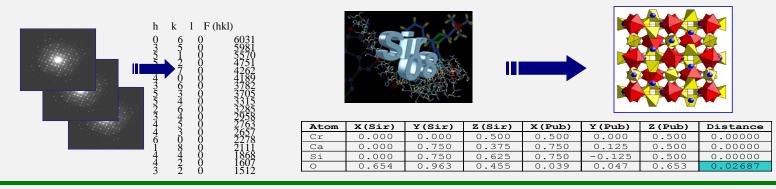
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#### Use precession diffraction intensities to solve crystal structures

In this example PED intensities from 5 zone axis (ZA) from **Mg5Pd2 nanocrystal** have been collected with a 100 kV TEM. Use of **SIR2008** direct methods software allowed direct calculation of all the (Mg,Pd) atomic positions.



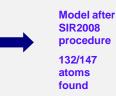
Collection of 3 ZA ([0 0 1], [1 0 1], [1 0 2]) PED intensities with a 200KV TEM from uvarovite mineral Ca<sub>3</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>(SiO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub> cubic la-3d a=1.2nm and the use of SIR2008 revealed precise atomic structure (see table) calculated atomic positions are very close to X-Ray 3D refined atomic model

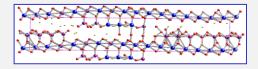


Using set of simulated PED intensities from 2 ZA of complex commensurate structure of **antigorite mineral** ~Mg3Si2O5(OH)4 and solving with direct methods (SIR2008), most of the atomic positions are revealed

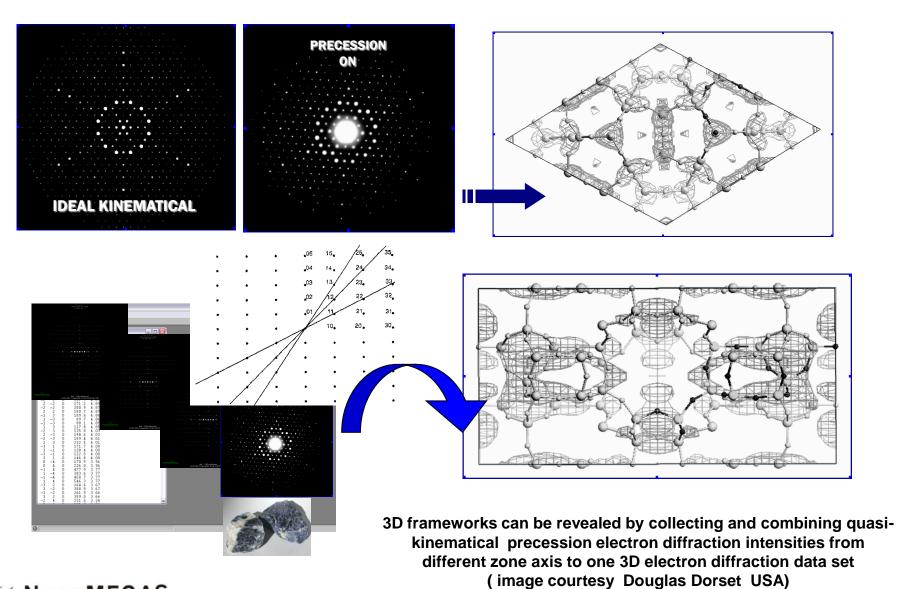






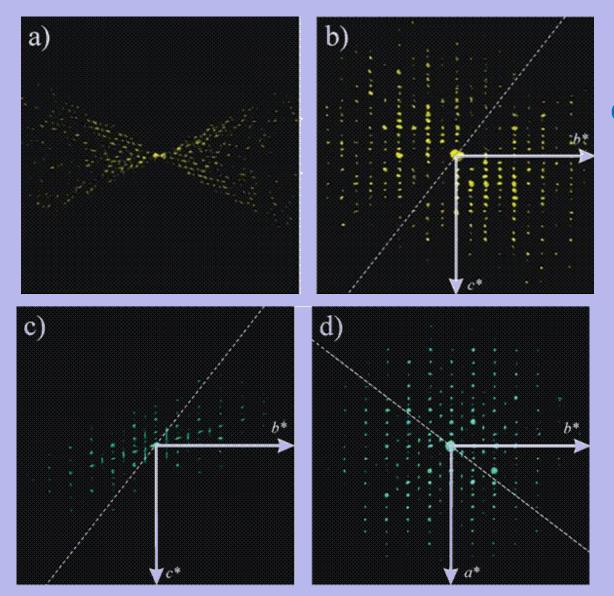


#### Ab initio determination of MCM-22 (ITQ-1) zeolite framework

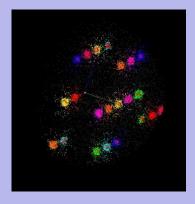




# 3D precession electron diffraction tomography (ADT) 3D visualization - Detection of disorder



Cell parameter determination on single nanoparticle



Conference by Dr. Gorelik

Courtesy : Prof. U Kolb UMainz

# Characterization

# for new unknown compound

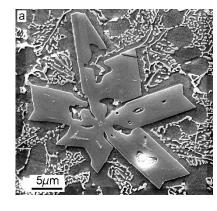


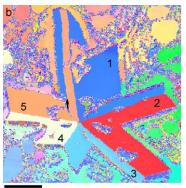
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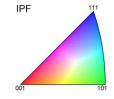




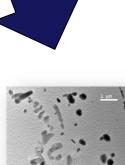




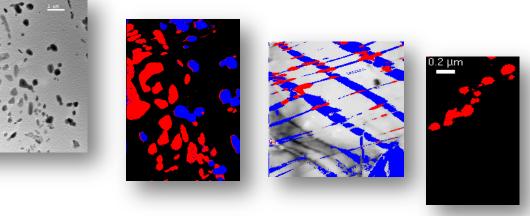
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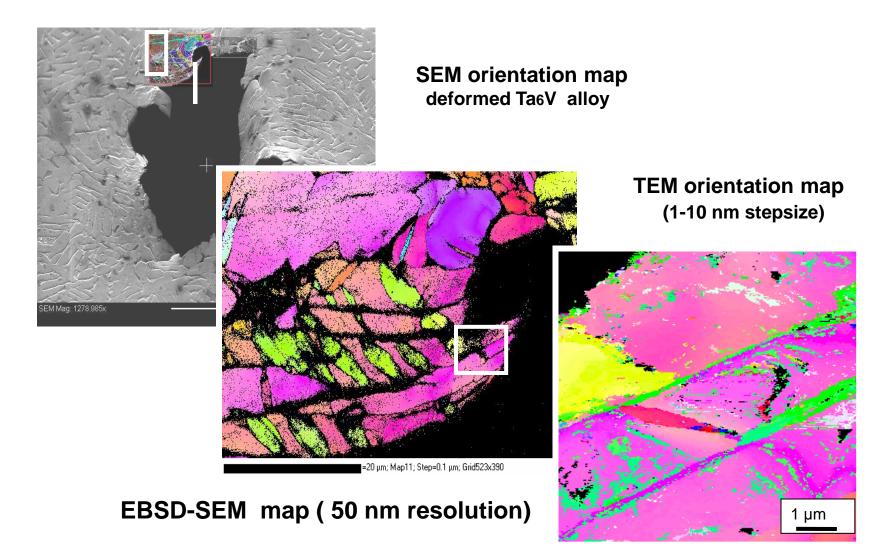


# NEW precession application "EBSD" – TEM



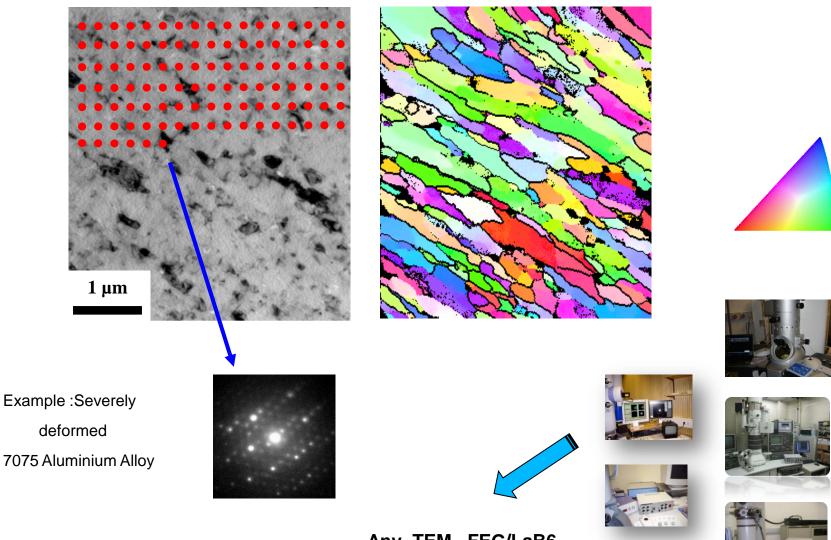


#### **Comparison SEM-(EBSD) vs TEM spatial resolution**



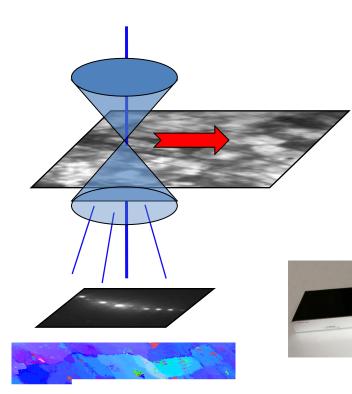
Electron Backscattering Diffraction (EBSD) orientation maps in SEM have usually poor resolution in comparison with TEM maps showing detailed nanostructure

# **ASTAR : diffraction pattern adquisition**



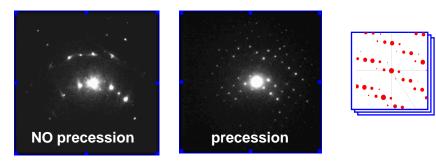
Any TEM – FEG/LaB6 may work with ASTAR

# **ASTAR (EBSD-TEM like procedure)**

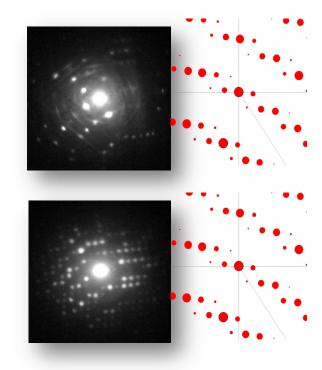


**Orientation map** 

In this example (right) a metal particle gives wrong correlation index without precession due to presence of Kikuchi lines; after applying precession (right lower image), index gets correct value as ED quality improves and Kikuchi lines dissapear

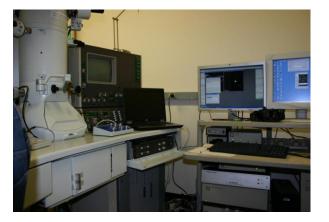


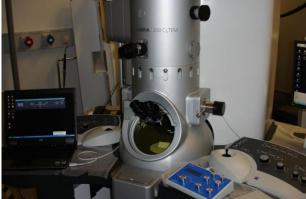
Using precession diffraction the number of ED spots observed increases ( almost double ) ; correlation index map becomes much more reliable when compared with templates





# ASTAR phase – orientation mapping for advanced TEM









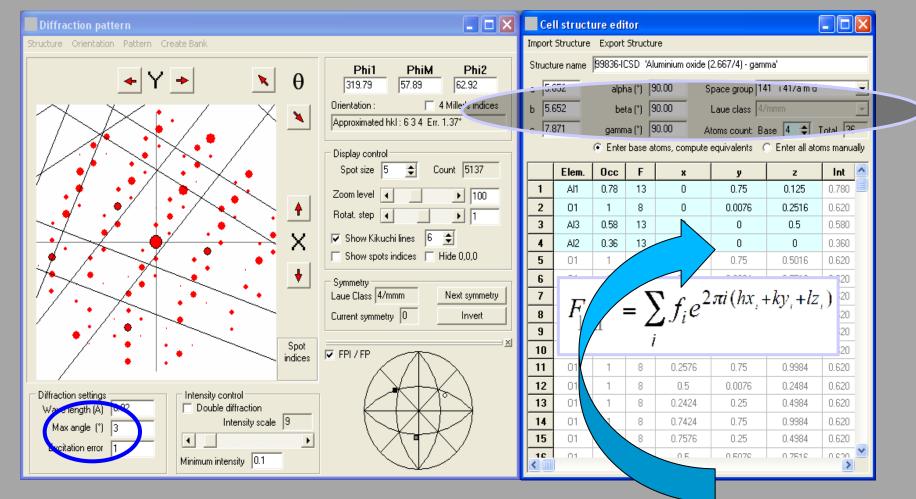




Zeiss Lilbra 200F Cs corr TECNAI 20F TECNAI 30F JEOL 2200 FS JEOL 2010F



### DiffGen : Template generator



Features: Any crystallographic structure Laue class adapted to the space group Structure generator (space group, structure factor equ.)

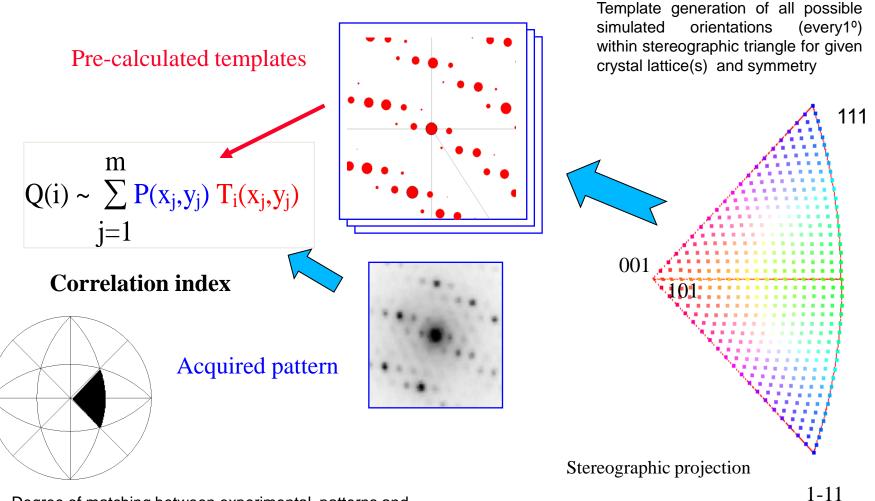
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# input from ICDD database

# **ASTAR : crystallographic orientation identification**

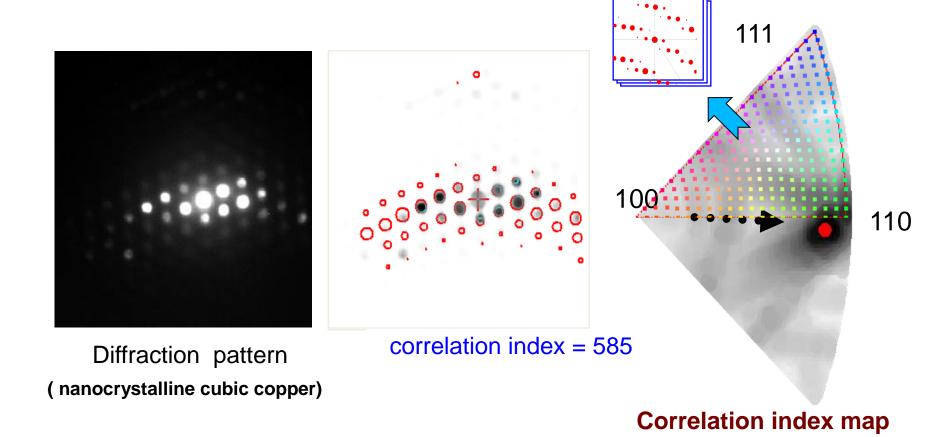


Degree of matching between experimental patterns and simulated templates is given by a correlation index ; highest value corresponds to the adequate orientation/phase

(example ,cubic)~ 2000 simulated patterns



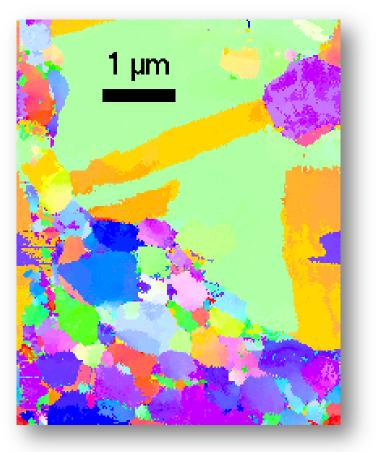
# **ASTAR identification example : nanocrystalline Cu**



For a given ED pattern, the correlation index map is calculated for all possible template orientations and plotted on a map that represents a portion of the stereographic projection (reduced to a double standard triangle). That resulting map reveals the most probable orientation for every experimental spot ED pattern ( in this case ED pattern is found to be close to 110 ZA orientation )

# **ASTAR : ultra-fast TEM orientation map**

Sample : severely deformed copper



250 x 200 pixel data adquisition

# 5-10 min

Typical software data analysis time (for cubic)

5-15 min

(hexagonal, tetragonal)

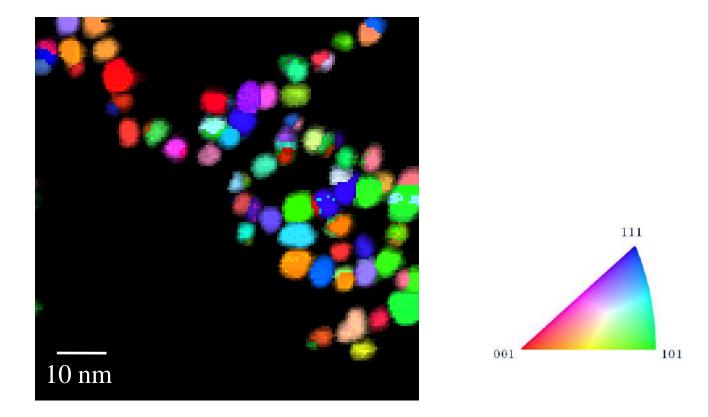
x 3-4 more time

Map resolution equals beam size resolution NBD step 20 nm (LaB6)





# **Power of the ASTAR Technique : nanoparticles**



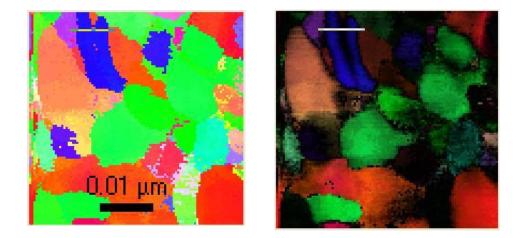
Grenoble

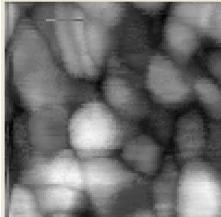
**ASTAR** : Orientation analysis from Pt ~100 particles ~ 6 nm in size

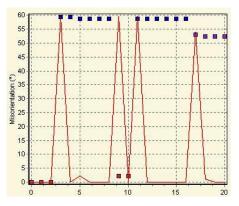
## 1 nm resolution for orientation map

Data courtesy Prof. P.Ferreira, J.Ganesh Univ Texas at Austin USA JEOL 2010 FEG

#### THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN





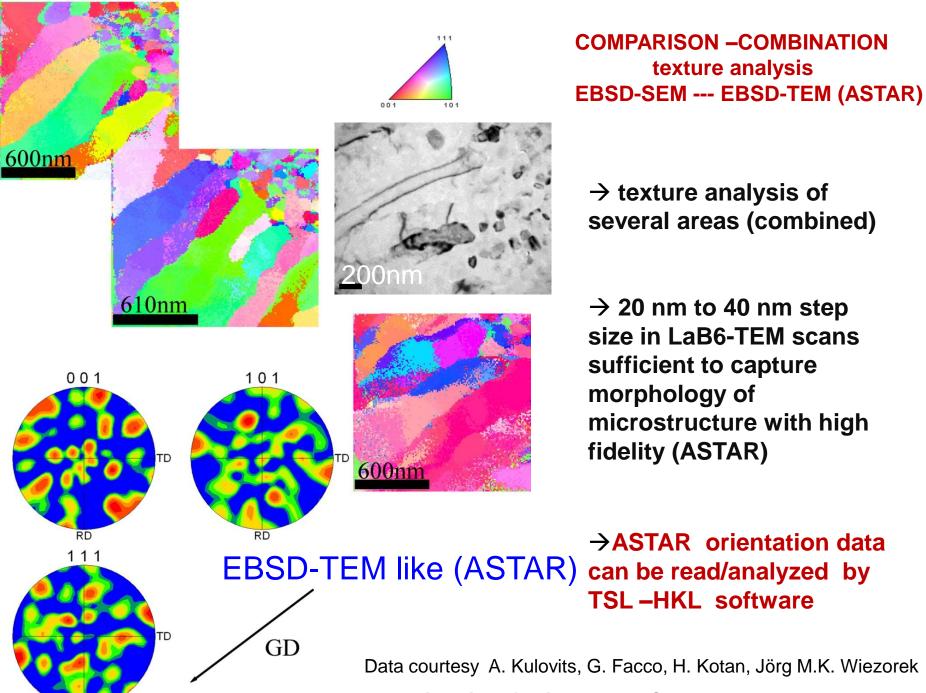


# Pd nanoparticles 0.4 nm twin structure details !

Jeol 2200 FS Humboldt Univ Berlin courtesy Dr. H.Kirmse, I. Heusler

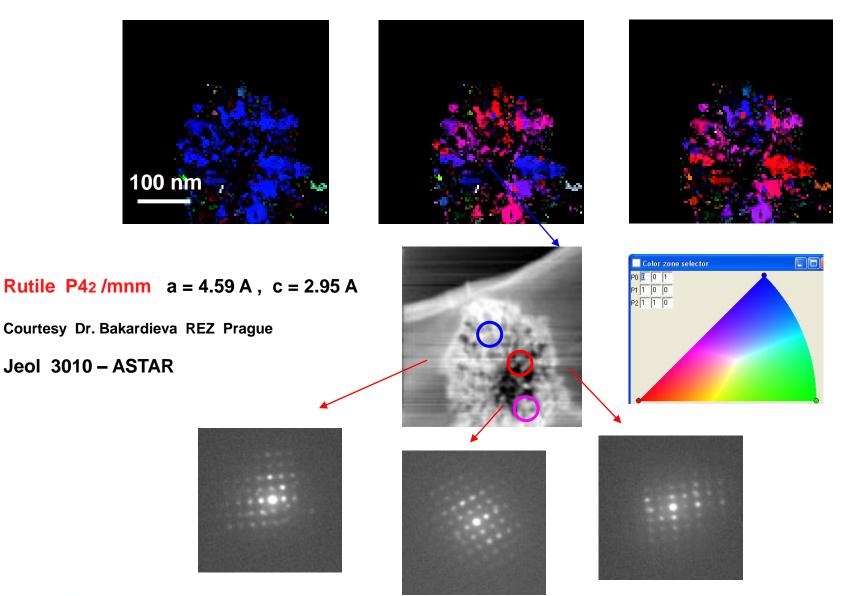
This 8 nm bar is most clearly visible in (b) and divided into 20 sections of 0.4 nm each (that represent the utilized scanning-precession increments of the primary electron beam) in (d). Note that there are jumps in the local mis-orientation profile along the 8 nm bar of almost 60° between sections 3 and 4, 8 and 9, as well as 10 and 11.





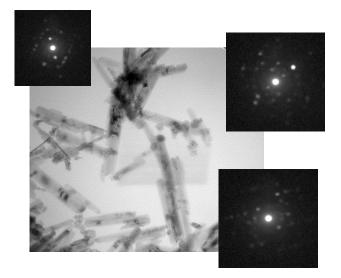
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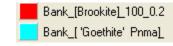
#### Problem : distinguish nanoparticles rutile - anatase (TiO<sub>2</sub>) texture

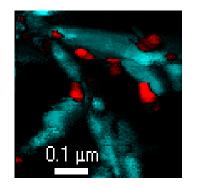


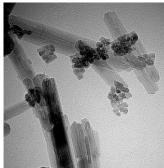


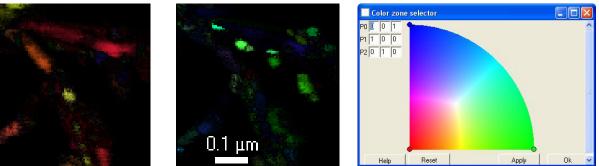
PROBLEM : distinguish between goethite (alpha-FeO(OH)) 300x40x10nm brookite (TiO2) platelets of 48nm diameter and











Orientations (alpha-FeO(OH))

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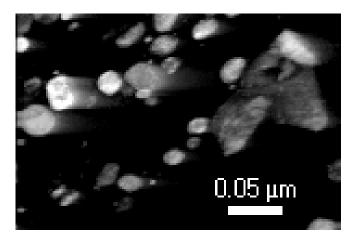
BrookiteTiO2

Code de couleur

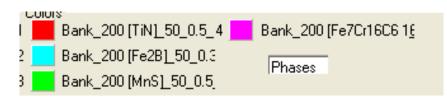


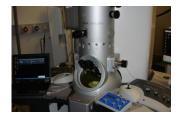
## Libra 200-ASTAR : sub-nanometer (< 1 nm) phase map

#### Replica with TiN, Fe<sub>2</sub>B, MnS and Fe<sub>6</sub>Cr<sub>6</sub>



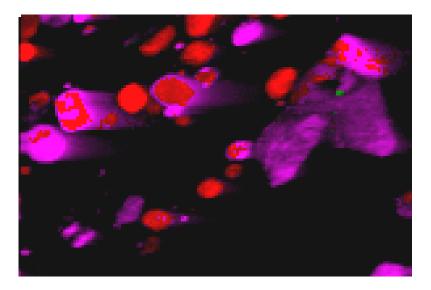
#### Index correlation map





Phase map can distinguish between 3 phases :

### TiN, Fe<sub>2</sub>B, MnS and Fe<sub>6</sub>Cr<sub>6</sub>

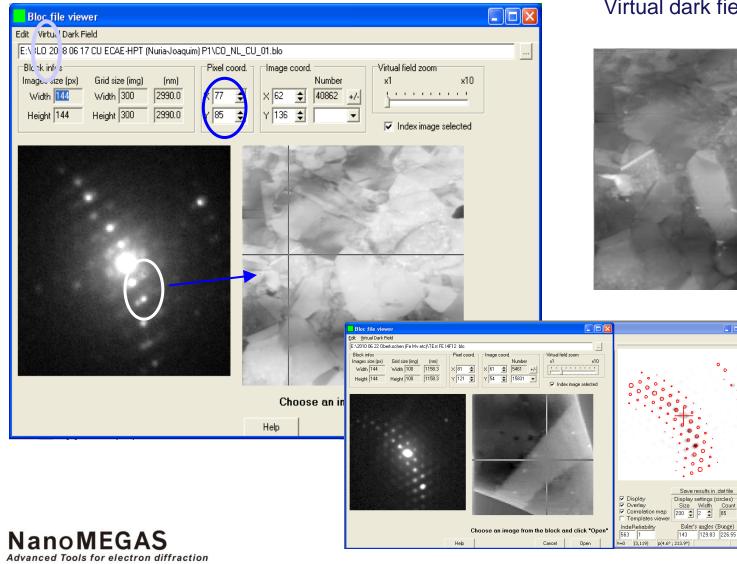


### < 1 nm resolution phase map

### INDEX and create virtual dark and bright field maps

#### Diffraction Pattern viewer with virtual aperure

X



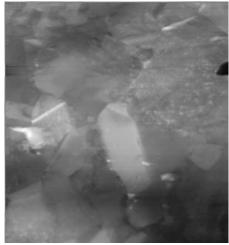
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=0 (3,119) p(4.6°; 213.9°)

#### Virtual dark field image

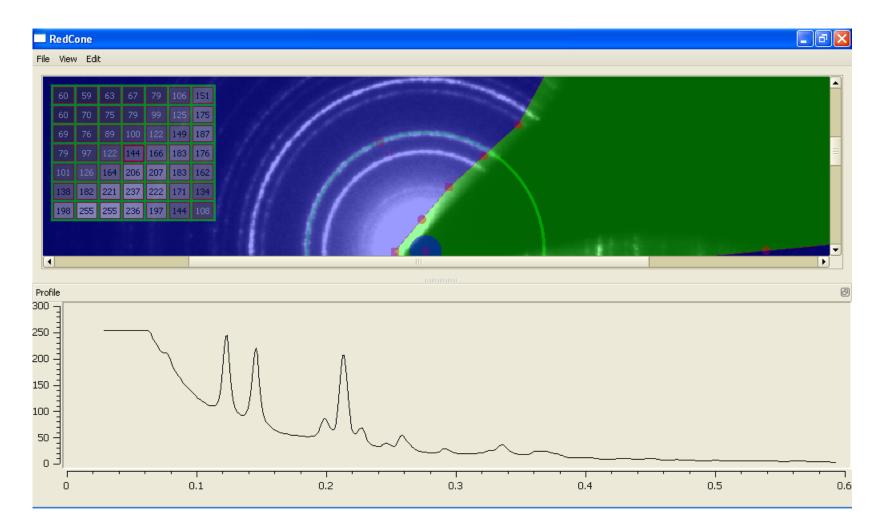


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Count

#### **Polycrystalline Electron diffraction**

#### "X-Ray amorphous" OR nanocrystalline ?

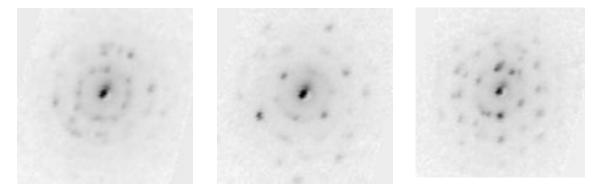




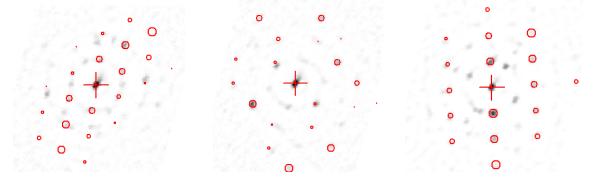
### Orientation mapping on Nanocrystallized polycrystalline Ni-Fe sample

Pollycrystalline thin film of Ni-Fe nanocrystals (average size 5-20 nm)

Data taken with JEOL JEM 2200F operating at 200 kV spot size 1-8 nm



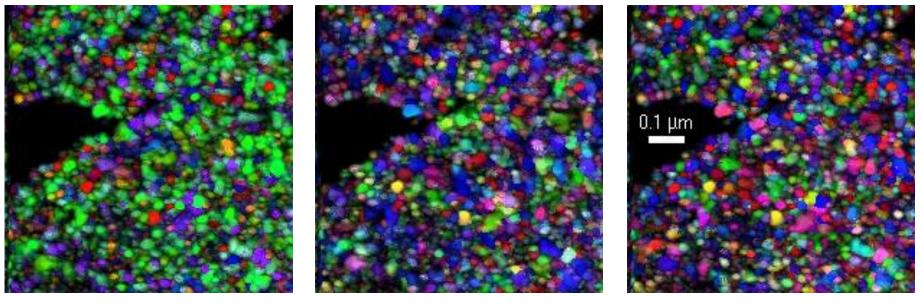
ASTAR can index even overlapping diffraction patterns from polycrystalline sample





Results courtesy Prof. Dr. E.Rauch CNRS Grenoble

# Crystallographic orientation map



Orientation map (z) + index Orientation map (x) + index

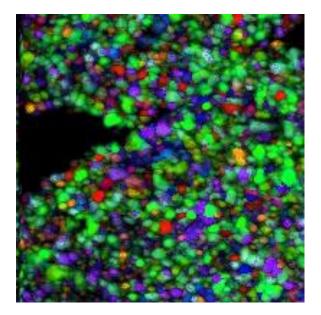
Orientation map (y) + index

As for EBSD equipments, the orientation of one particular axis (usually the z axis) is given through a colour code. This enables the individual crystals to be recognized and/or their size to be estimated (step size 4 nm)

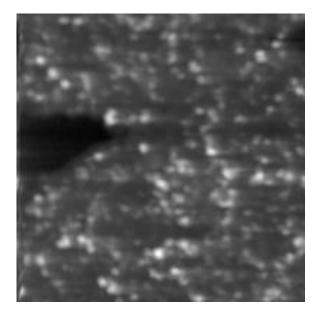


### JEOL 2200 FS 200 KV, Humboldt Univ Berlin

#### Step size 4 nm



Orientation map (z)



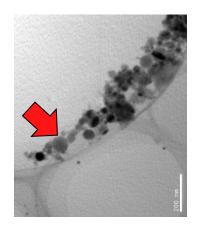
Virtual dark field map

A STEM type image is reconstructed from the collection of diffraction patterns. Virtual Dark Field images (VDF) may be reconstructed as well by selecting a particular reflection placing a virtual aperture on that selected spot on a diffraction pattern

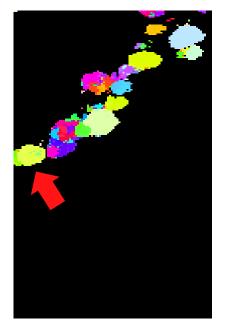




### Nanoparticle (50 nm) phase identification



cubic 8.32 A  $Fd\overline{3}m$ Magnetite or maghemite ??  $P4_132 \ \gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> cubic 8.32 A



Orientation map precession 0.3°

0.2 μm

**ALL Nanoparticles** 

**REVEALED AS** 

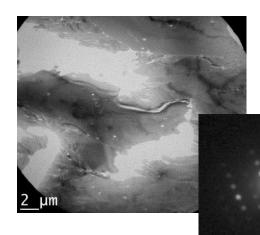
magnetite (RED)



PHASE map precession 0.3°

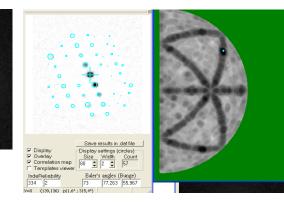


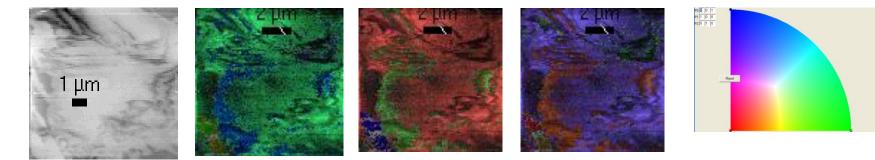
# New application : ASTAR on organic structures



#### TRIS structure C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>48</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>

Pna21 cell 0.7768 X 0.8725 X 0.8855 nm

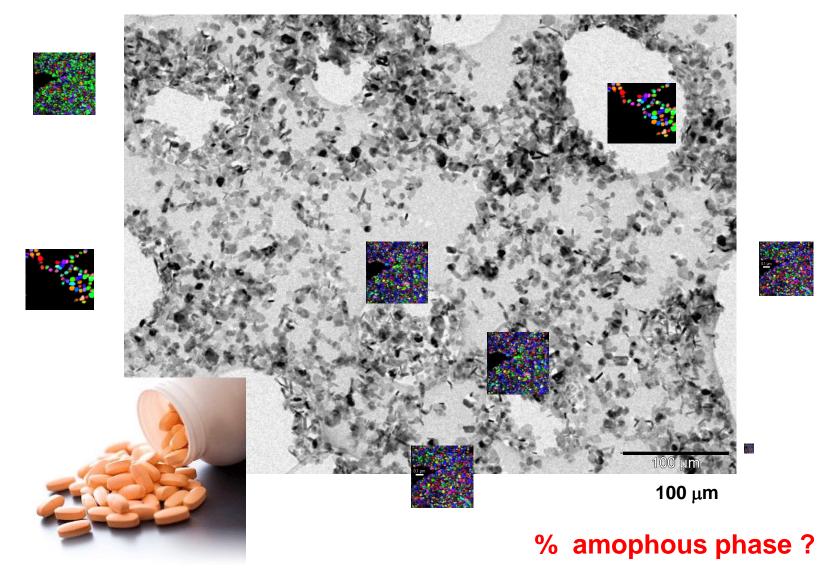






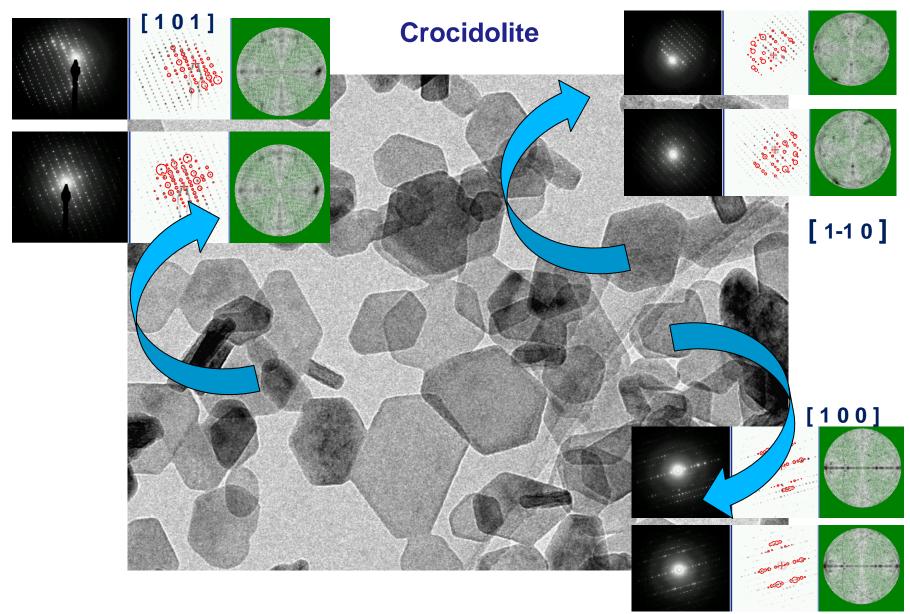


#### ASTAR texture – (multi) phase analysis from different sample areas

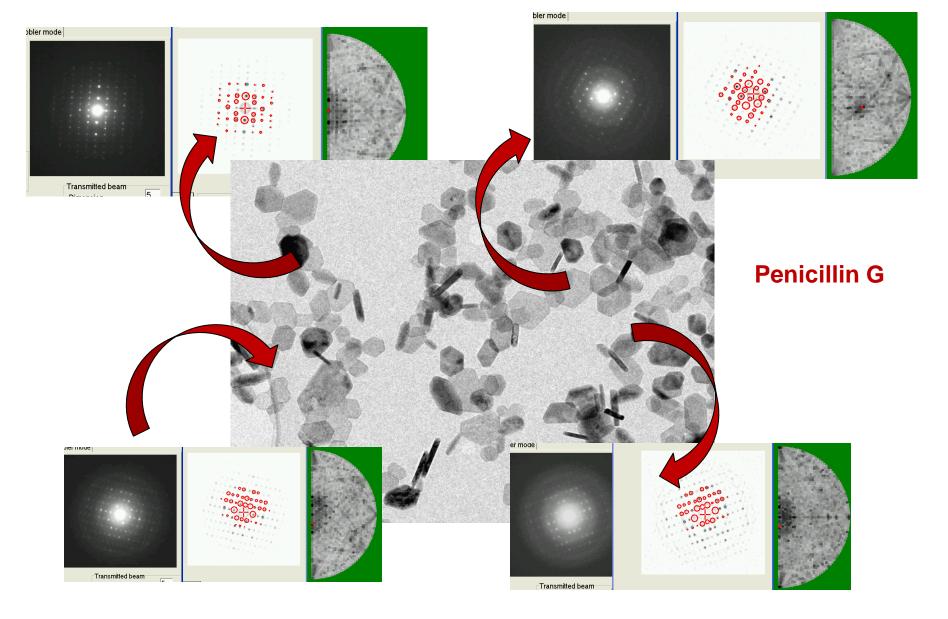


What is the % of each phase ?

detection limit?



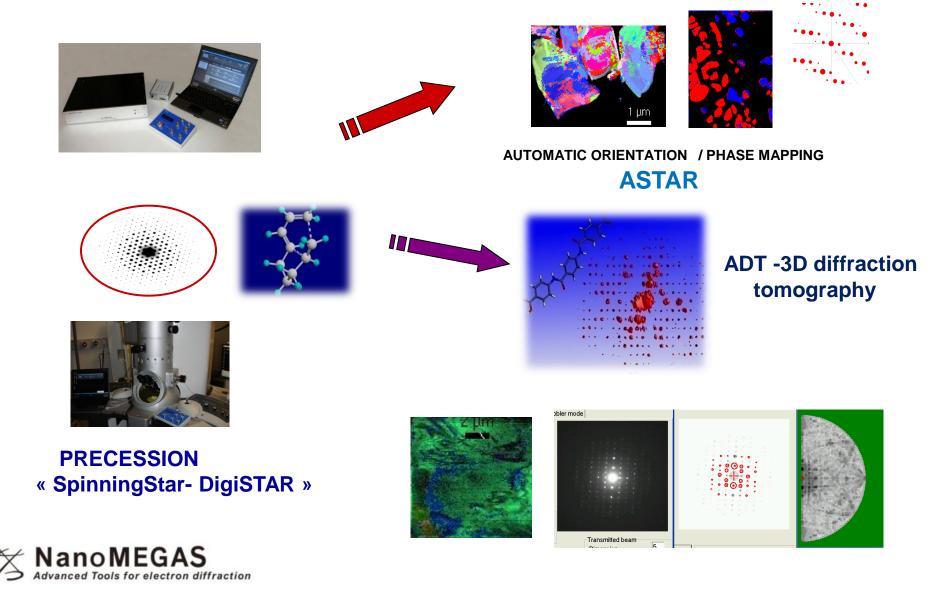
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# TEM advanced ELECTRON DIFFRACTION SOLUTIONS

for pharma-organic crystals\_



### **ASTAR combinations** (examples)

Laurence Livermore Lab (Berkley – California) USA CM300 FEG – Jeol 2000

Portland State Univ – Oregon USA Tecnai 20F - Jeol 2000

Alabama Univ USA Tecnai 30F

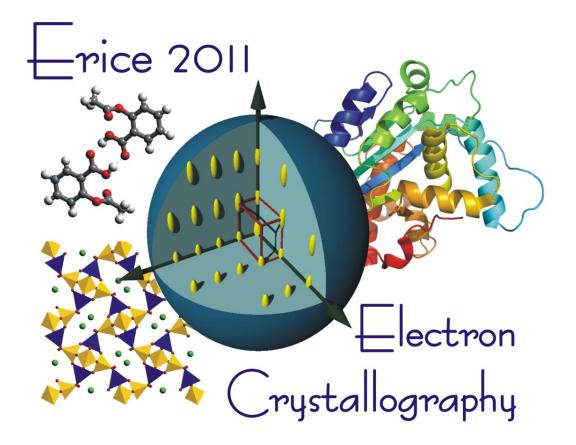
Univ of Texas – Austin USA Jeol 2010 F

Humboldt Univ Berlin Jeol 2200 FS

KBSI Korea Jeol 2100F

Osaka Gas, Japan Jeol 2100F

Zeiss Application Lab (Germany) Libra 200 FE Cs – Libra 120



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