

# Introduction sur le TA6V

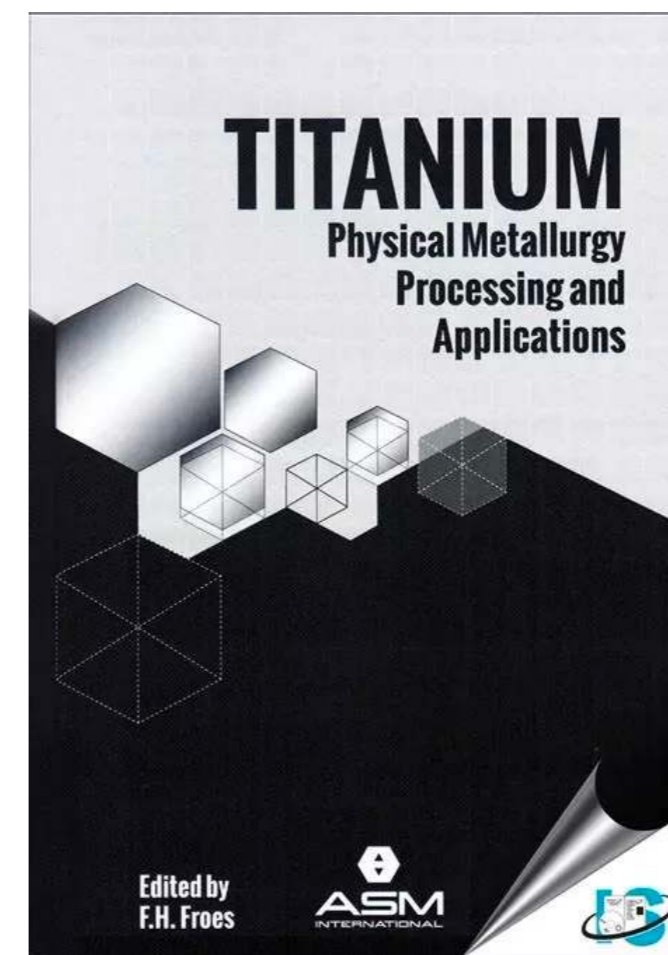
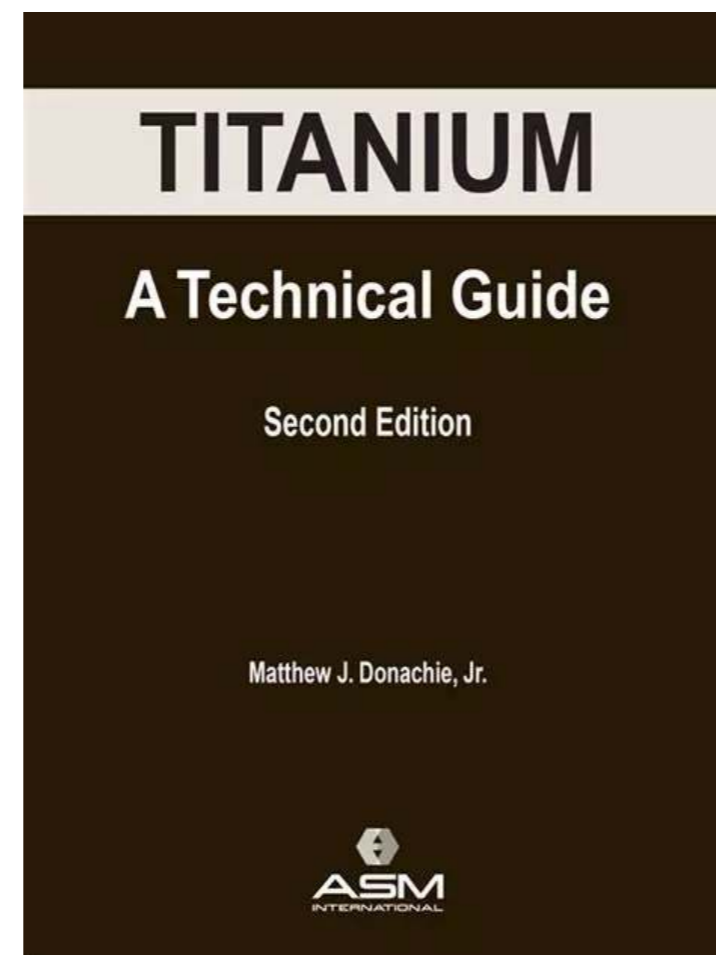
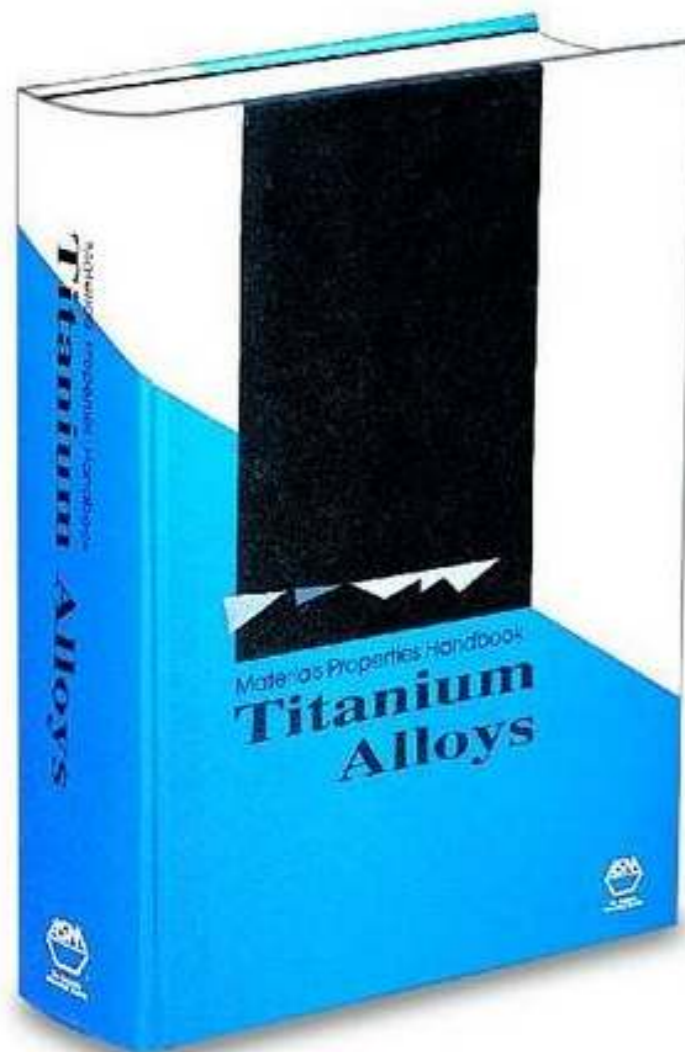
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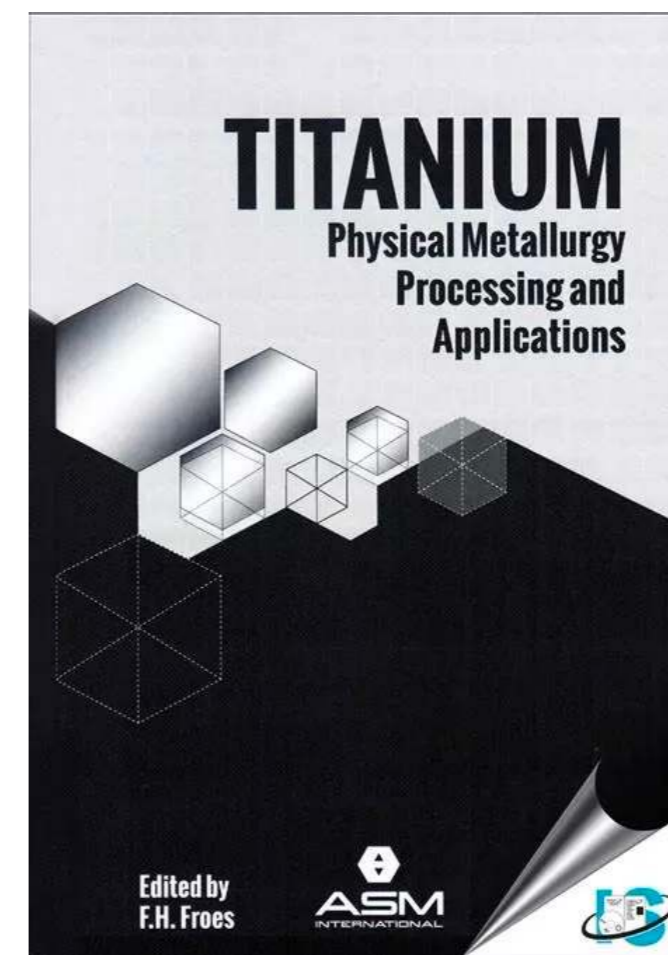
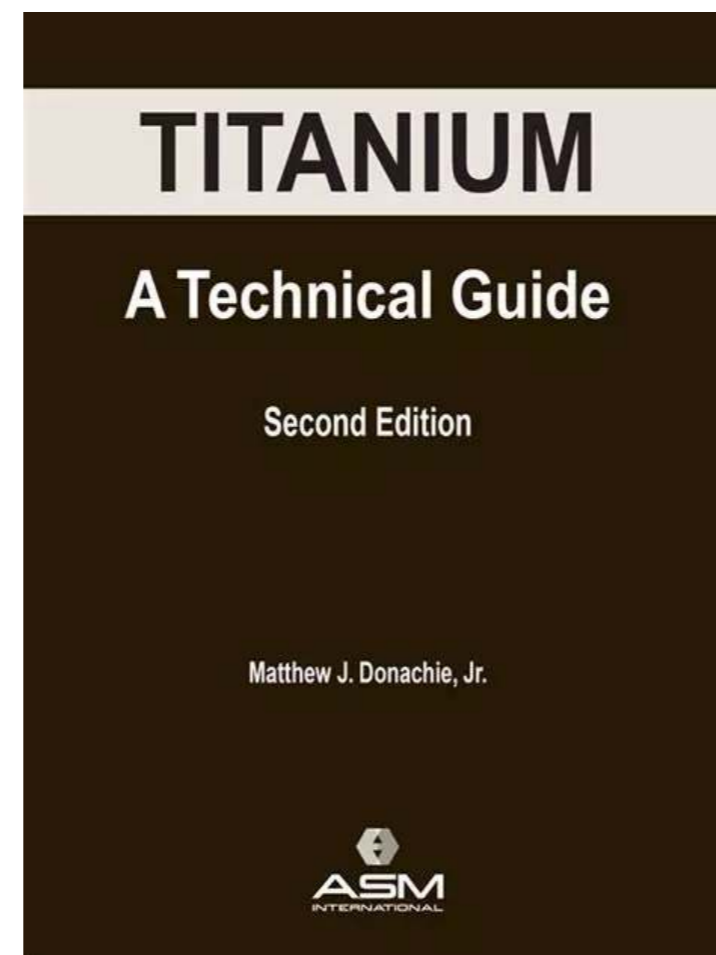
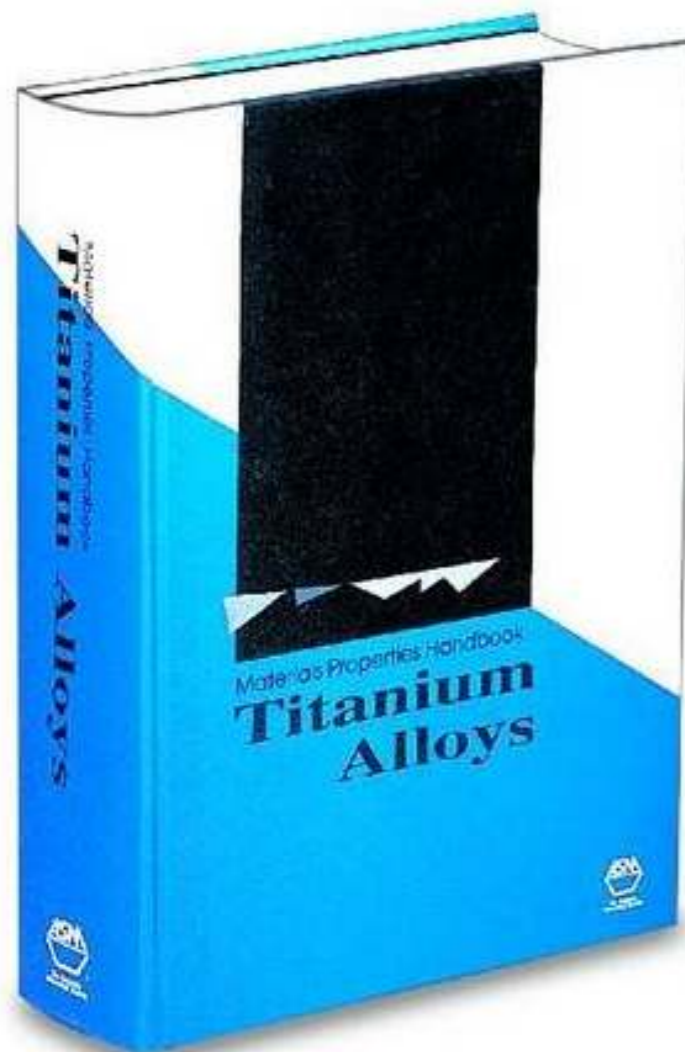
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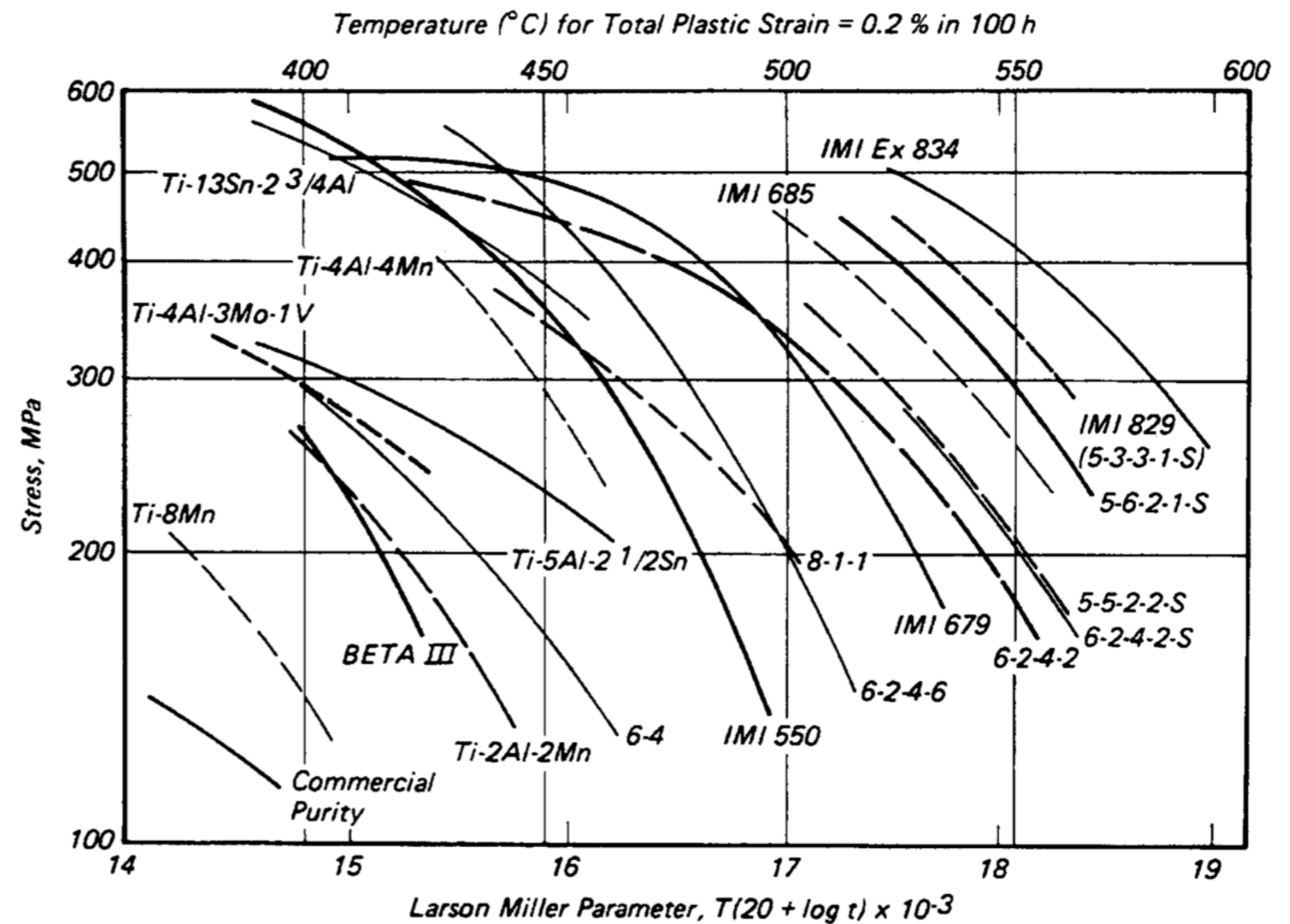
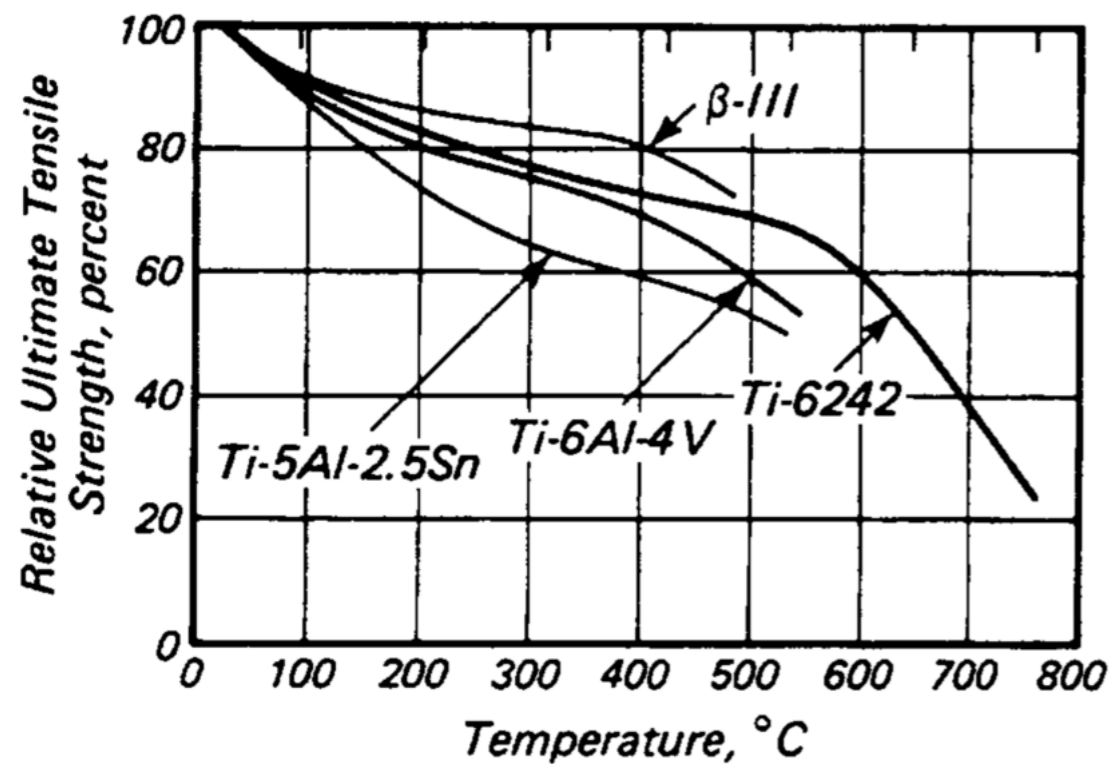
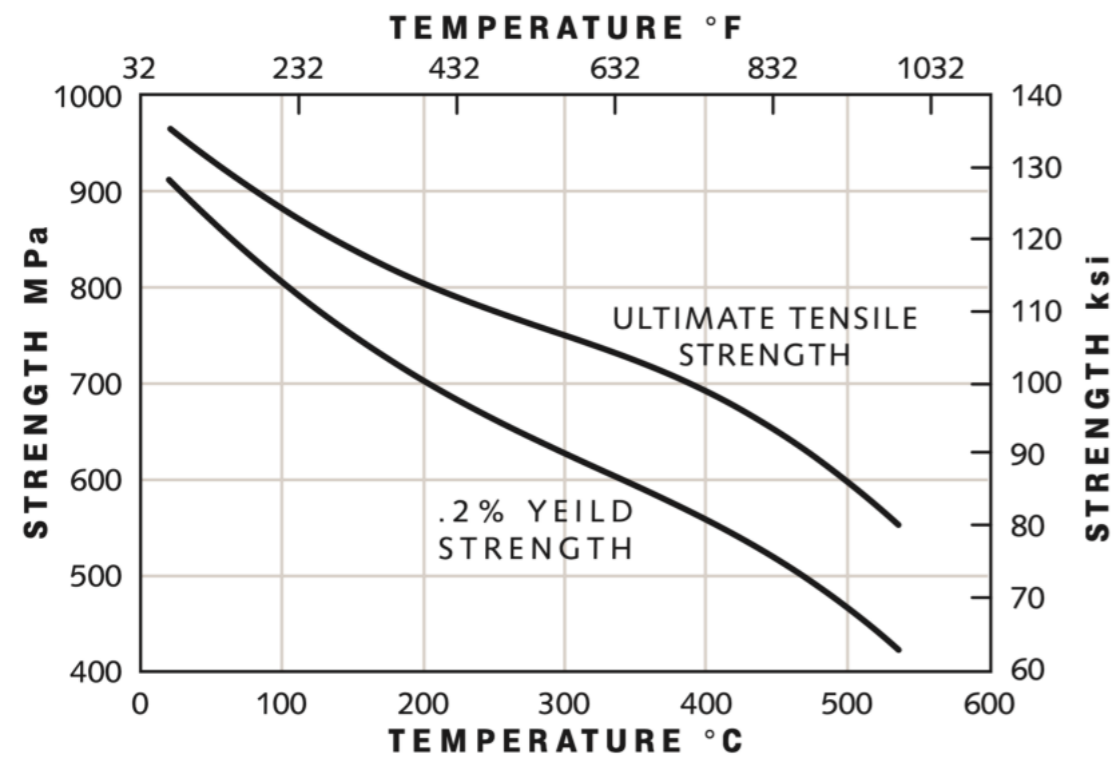
# Propriétés

Conçu principalement pour une résistance élevée à des températures faibles à modérées

- résistance spécifique élevée
- une bonne résistance à la corrosion
- stabilité à des températures allant jusqu'à 400°C

Condition	Yield strength		Tensile strength		Elongation at fracture, %
	MPa	ksi	MPa	ksi	
Mill annealed	945	137	1069	155	10
Duplex annealed	917	133	965	140	18
Solution treated and aged	1103	160	1151	167	13

# Propriétés en température



# Composition

## Grade 5

- $c_{Al} \in [5,5 - 6,75] \%$
- $c_V \in [3,5 - 4,5] \%$
- $c_O \in [800 - \sim 2000] \text{ ppm}$   
en fonction de l'application
- $c_N \leq 0,05 \%$
- $c_{Fe} \leq 0,25 \%$

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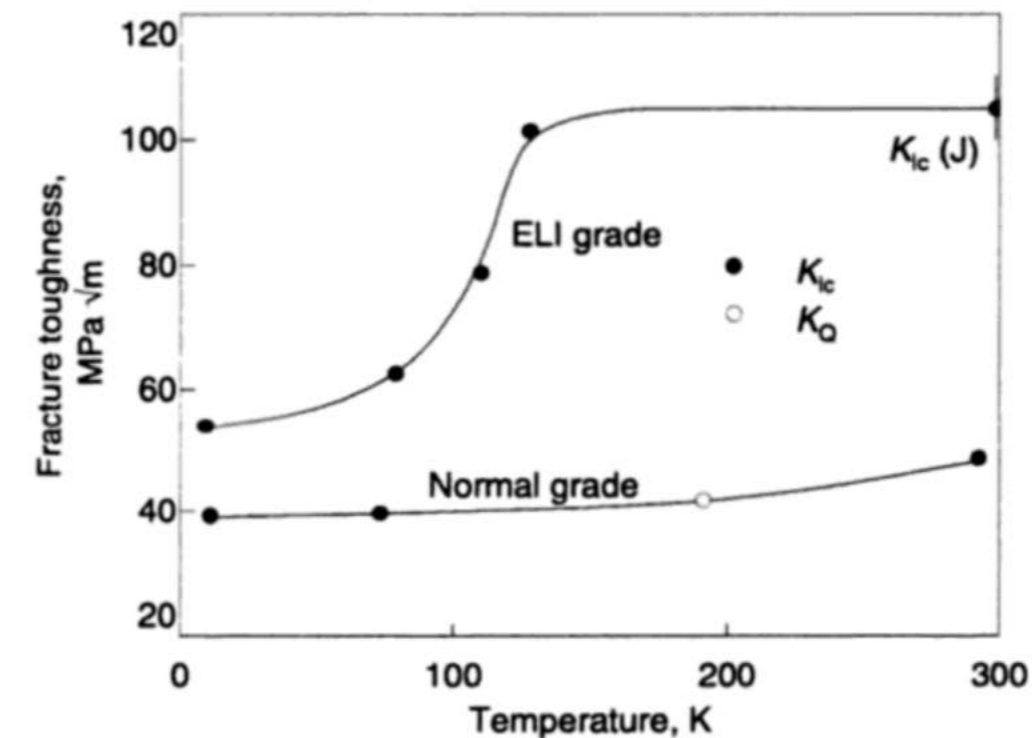
- augmente la résistance

Abaisser O, N et Al améliorent

- la ductilité
- la résistance à la croissance des fissures
- la résistance à la corrosion sous contrainte

## Grade 23 ELI : Extra-Low Interstitial

- Faibles teneurs en O et en Fe
- Propriétés de tolérance aux dommages élevées, en particulier à des températures cryogéniques



## TA6V-Pd

- ~0,2 % Pd pour une meilleure résistance à la corrosion

# Composition

Product specification(s)	Impurity limits, wt% max						Alloying elements, wt%(a)				
	N	C	H	Fe	O	Max others, each or total	Al	Sn	Zr	Mo	Others
<b>Ti-6Al-4V (UNS R56400)</b>											
Typical	0.05	0.10	(b)	0.3	0.2	...	6	...	...	...	4
Alloy Ti-P63 in AECMA standard prEN2530 for bars	0.05	0.08	0.01	0.3	0.2	0.4 total	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
Alloy Ti-P63 in AECMA standard prEN2517 for sheet, strip, plate	0.05	0.08	0.012	0.3	0.2	0.4 total	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
DIN 17851 (alloy WL3.7165)	0.05	0.08	0.015	0.3	0.2	...	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
AMS 4905 (plate)	0.03	0.05	0.0125	0.25	0.12	(c), 0.005Y	5.6–6.3	...	...	...	3.6–4.4V
AMS 4906 (sheet, strip)	0.05	0.08	0.0125	0.30	0.20	0.4 total	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
AMS 4911 (plate, sheet, strip)	0.05	0.08	0.015	0.30	0.20	(c), 0.005Y	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
AMS 4920, 4928, 4934, and 4967 (rings, forgings, wires)	0.05	0.10	0.0125	0.30	0.20	(c), 0.005Y	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
AMS 4954 (wire)	0.03	0.05	0.015	0.30	0.18	(c), 0.005Y	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
ASTM B 265 (plate, sheet)	0.05	0.10	0.015	0.40	0.20	(c)	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V, 0.12–0.25Pd
ASTM F 467 (nuts) and F 468 (bolts)	0.05	0.10	0.0125	0.40	0.20	(c)	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
<b>Ti-6Al-4V-ELI (UNS R56401)</b>											
AMS 4907 and 4930	0.05	0.08	0.0125	0.25	0.13	(c), 0.005Y	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
AMS 4996 (billet)	0.04	0.10	0.0125	0.30	0.13–0.19	(d)	5.5–6.75	0.1 max	0.1 max	0.1 max	3.5–4.5V
ASTM F 135 (bar)	0.05	0.08	0.0125	0.25	0.13	...	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V
ASTM F 467 (nuts) and F 468 (bolts)	0.05	0.10	0.0125	0.40	0.20	...	5.5–6.75	...	...	...	3.5–4.5V

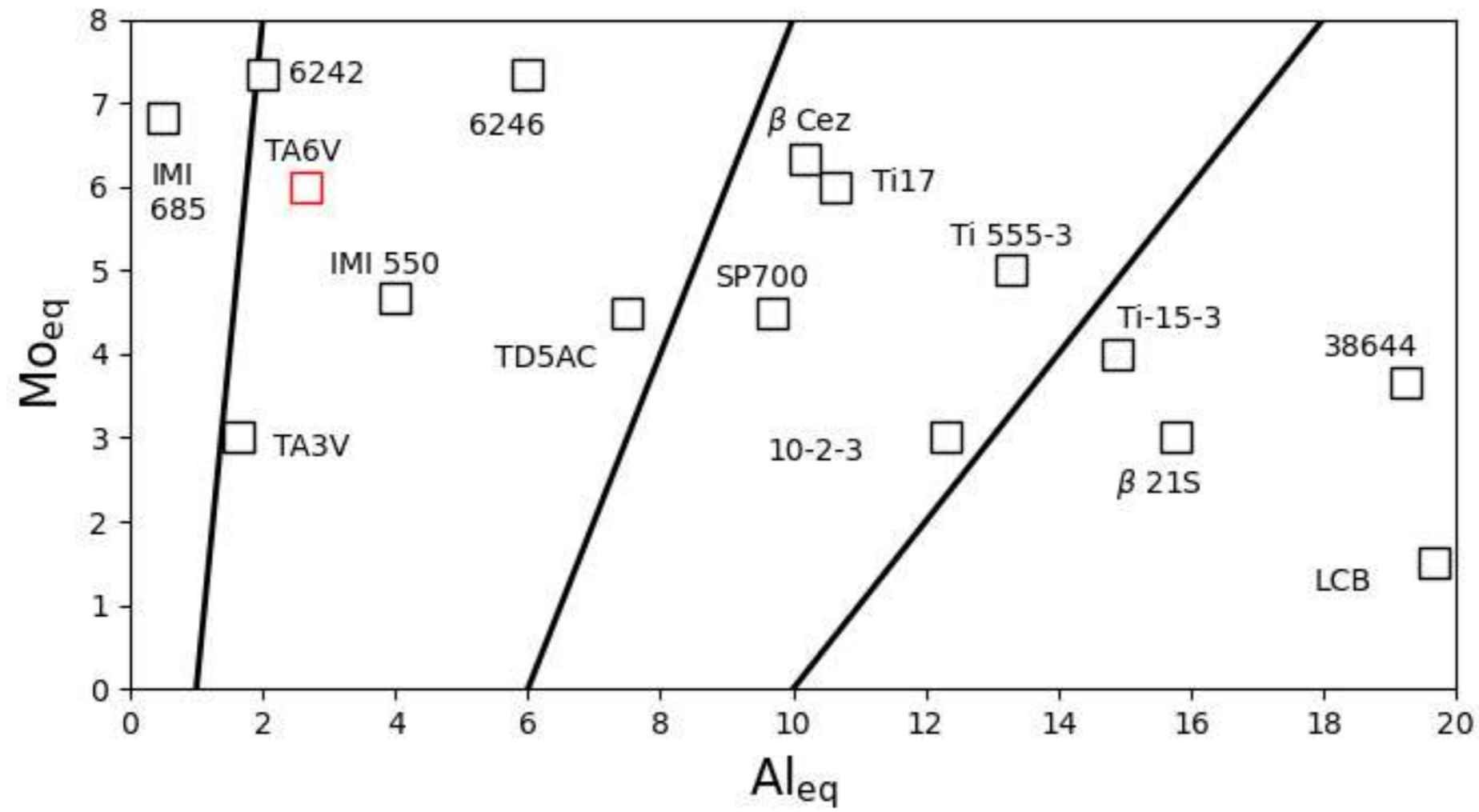
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CHEMICAL COMPOSITION						
ELEMENT	WEIGHT %					
	TIMETAL 6-4 ASTM Grade 5 Mil T-9047		TIMETAL 6-4 ELI ASTM Grade 23 AMS 4981		TIMETAL 6-4-.1Ru ASTM Grade 29	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Aluminum	5.5	6.75	5.5	6.5	5.5	6.5
Vanadium	3.5	4.5	3.5	4.5	3.5	4.5
Nitrogen	—	0.05	—	0.03	—	0.03
Carbon	—	0.08	—	0.08	—	0.08
Oxygen	—	0.20	—	0.13	—	0.13
Iron	—	0.40	—	0.25	—	0.25
Hydrogen	—	0.015	—	0.0125	—	0.015
Ruthenium	—	—	—	—	0.08	0.14
Resid. Elements, ea.	—	0.1	—	0.1	—	0.1
Resid. Elements, tot.	—	0.4	—	0.4	—	0.4

# Composition : Al et Mo équivalents

Alloy classification and composition, wt.%	Aluminum equivalency, wt. %			Molybdenum equivalency, wt. %										
	[Al]	$\frac{[Zr]}{6}$	$\frac{[Sn]}{3}$	[Al] <sub>eq</sub>	[Mo]	$\frac{[Ta]}{5}$	$\frac{[Nb]}{3.6}$	$\frac{[V]}{1.5}$	1.25[Cr]	1.25[Ni]	1.7[Mn]	1.7[Co]	2.5[Fe]	[Mo] <sub>eq</sub>
<b>Alpha and near-alpha alloys</b>														
Ti-0.8Ni-0.3Mo	...	...	...	...	0.3	...	...	...	...	1.0	...	...	...	1.3
Ti-5Al-2.5Sn	5.0	...	0.8	<b>5.8</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ti-8Al-1Mo-1V	8.0	...	...	<b>8.0</b>	1.0	...	...	0.7	...	...	...	...	...	1.7
Ti-6Al-2Sn-4Zr-2Mo-0.1Si	6.0	0.7	0.7	<b>7.4</b>	2.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2.0
Ti-6Al-2Nb-1Ta-0.8Mo	6.0	...	...	<b>6.0</b>	0.8	0.2	0.6	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.6
Ti-2.25Al-11Sn-5Zr-1Mo	2.3	0.8	3.7	<b>6.8</b>	1.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.0
Ti-5Al-5Sn-2Zr-2Mo	5.0	0.3	1.7	<b>7.0</b>	2.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2.0
<b>Alpha-beta alloys</b>														
Ti-6Al-4V	6.0	...	...	<b>6.0</b>	...	...	...	2.7	...	...	...	...	...	2.7
Ti-6Al-6V-2Sn	6.0	...	0.7	<b>6.7</b>	...	...	...	4.0	...	...	...	...	...	4.0
Ti-7Al-4Mo	7.0	...	...	<b>7.0</b>	4.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4.0
Ti-4.5Al-5Mo-1.5Cr	4.5	...	...	<b>4.5</b>	5.0	...	...	...	1.9	...	...	...	...	6.9
Ti-6Al-2Sn-4Zr-6Mo	6.0	0.7	0.7	<b>7.4</b>	6.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6.0
Ti-5Al-2Sn-2Zr-4Mo-4Cr	5.0	0.3	0.7	<b>6.0</b>	4.0	...	...	...	5.0	...	...	...	...	9.0
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Ti-3Al-2.5V	3.0	...	...	<b>3.0</b>	...	...	...	1.7	...	...	...	...	...	1.7
Ti-10V-2Fe-3Al	3.0	...	...	<b>3.0</b>	...	...	...	6.7	...	...	...	...	5.0	11.7

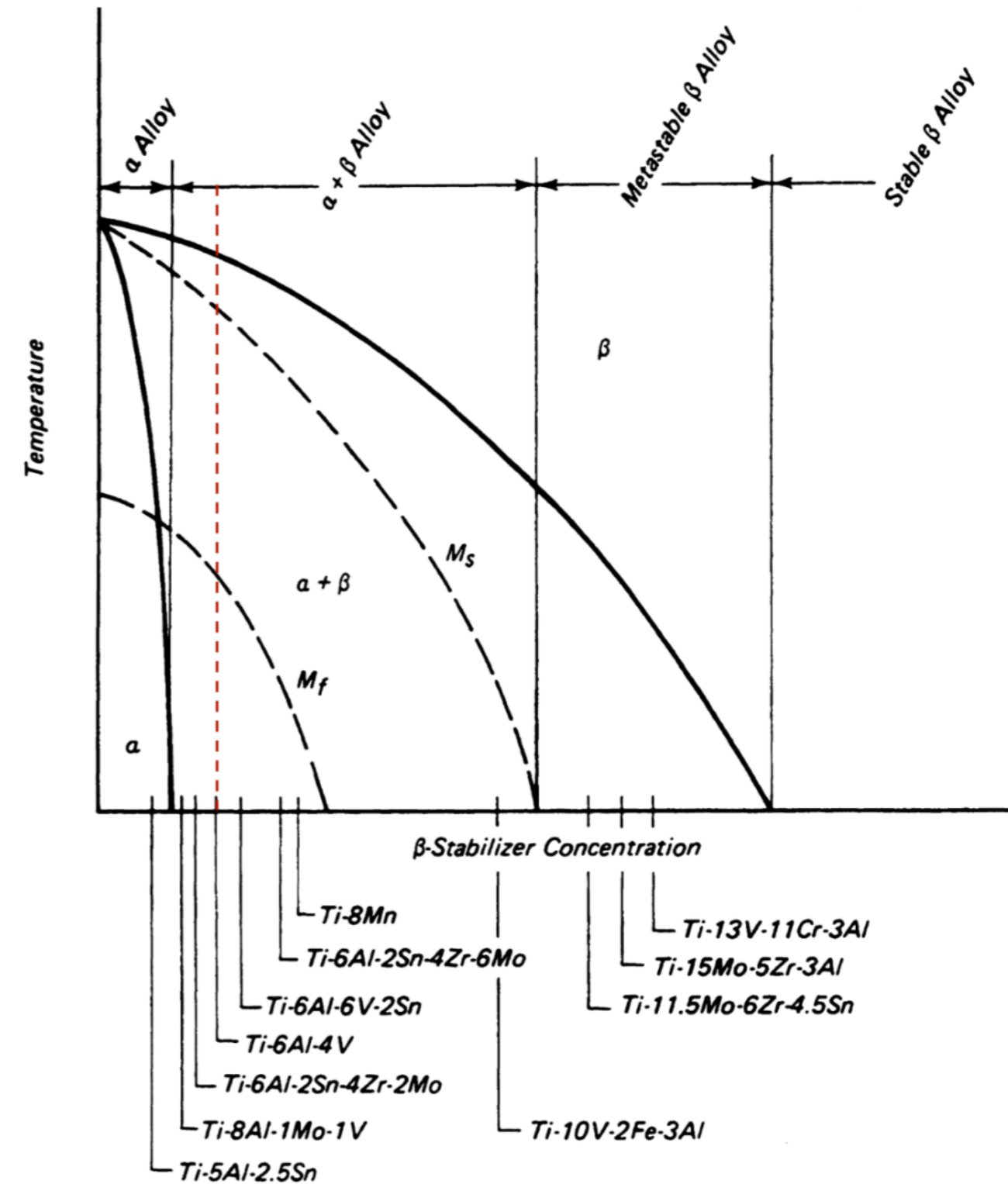
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## Alliage $\alpha + \beta$

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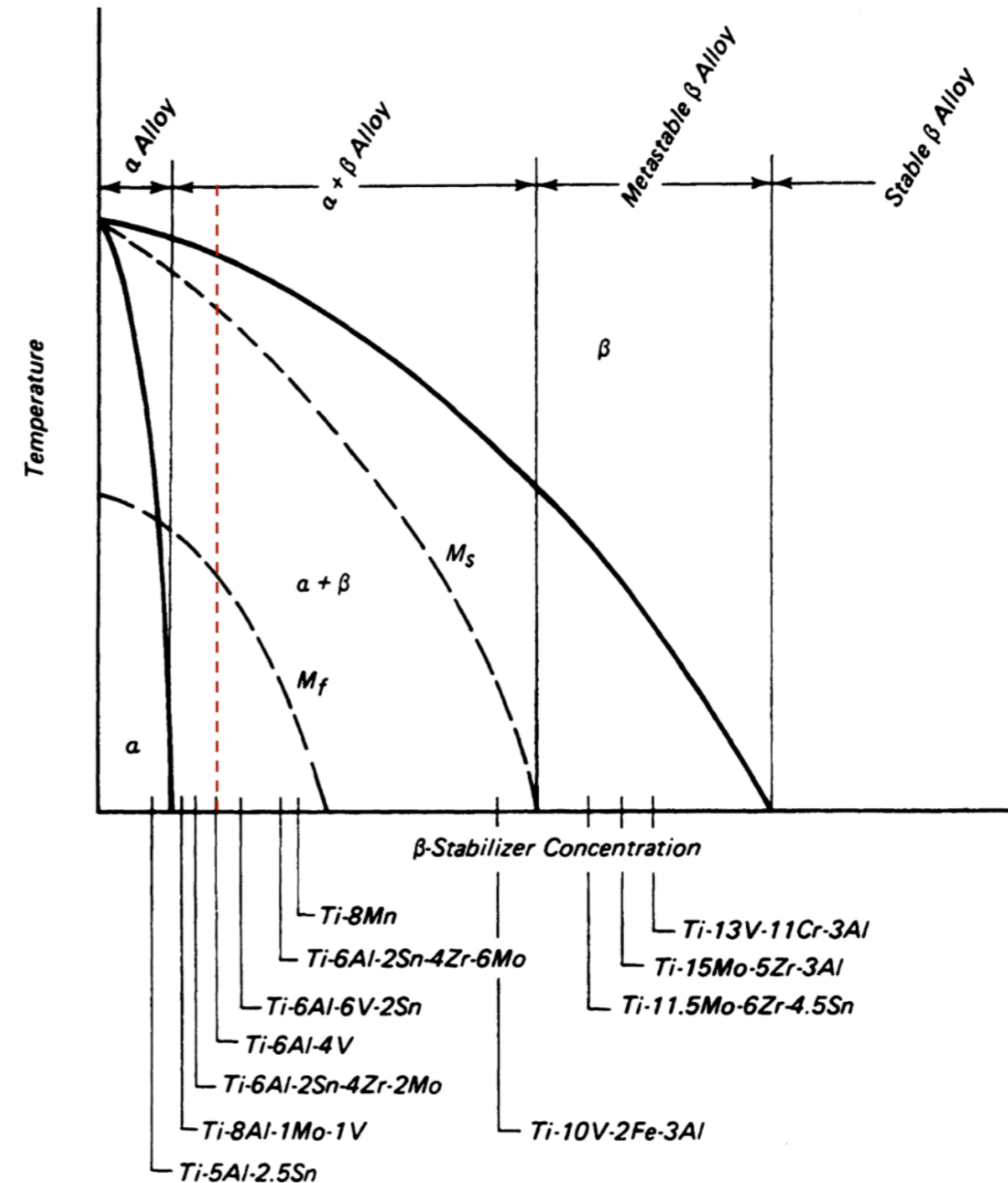
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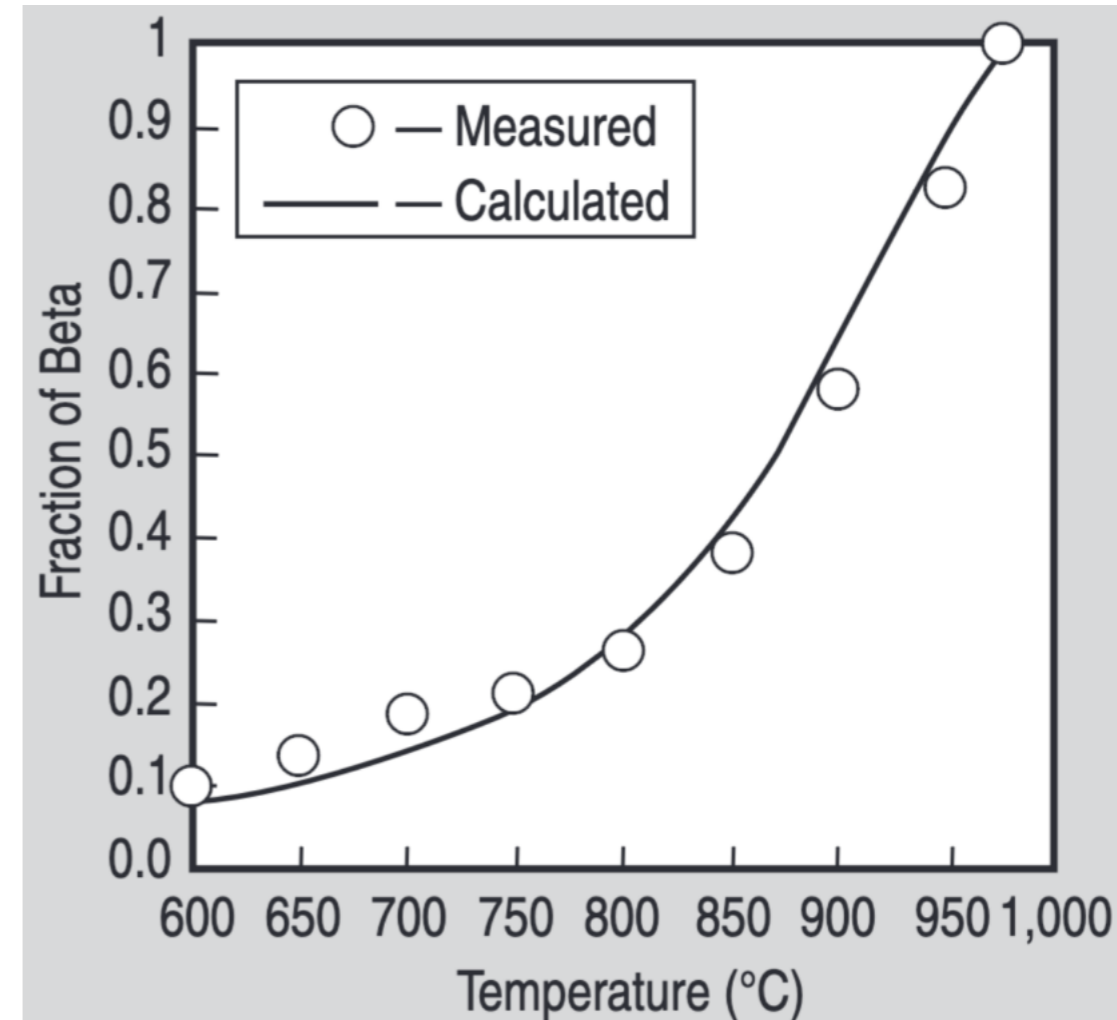
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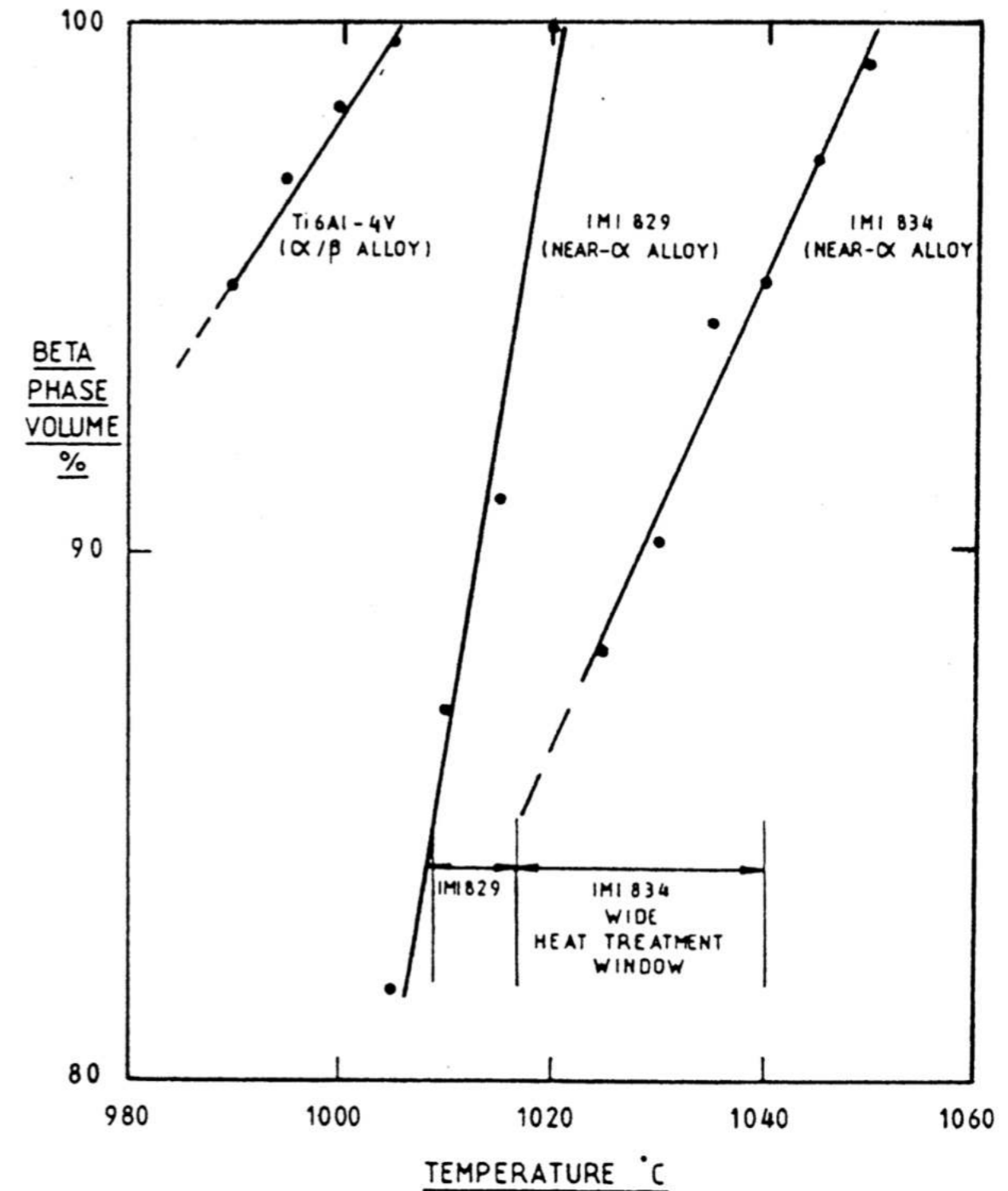
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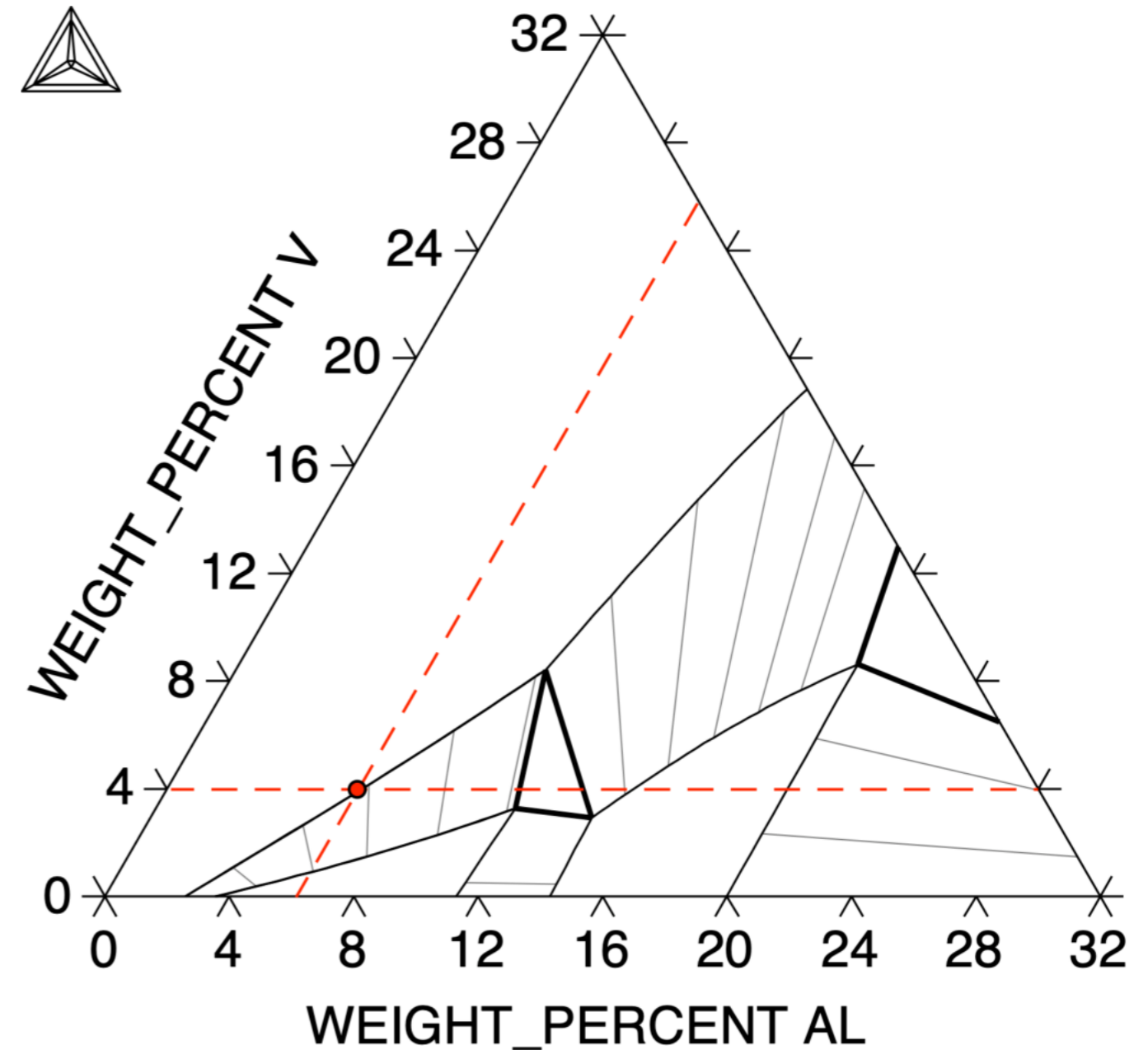
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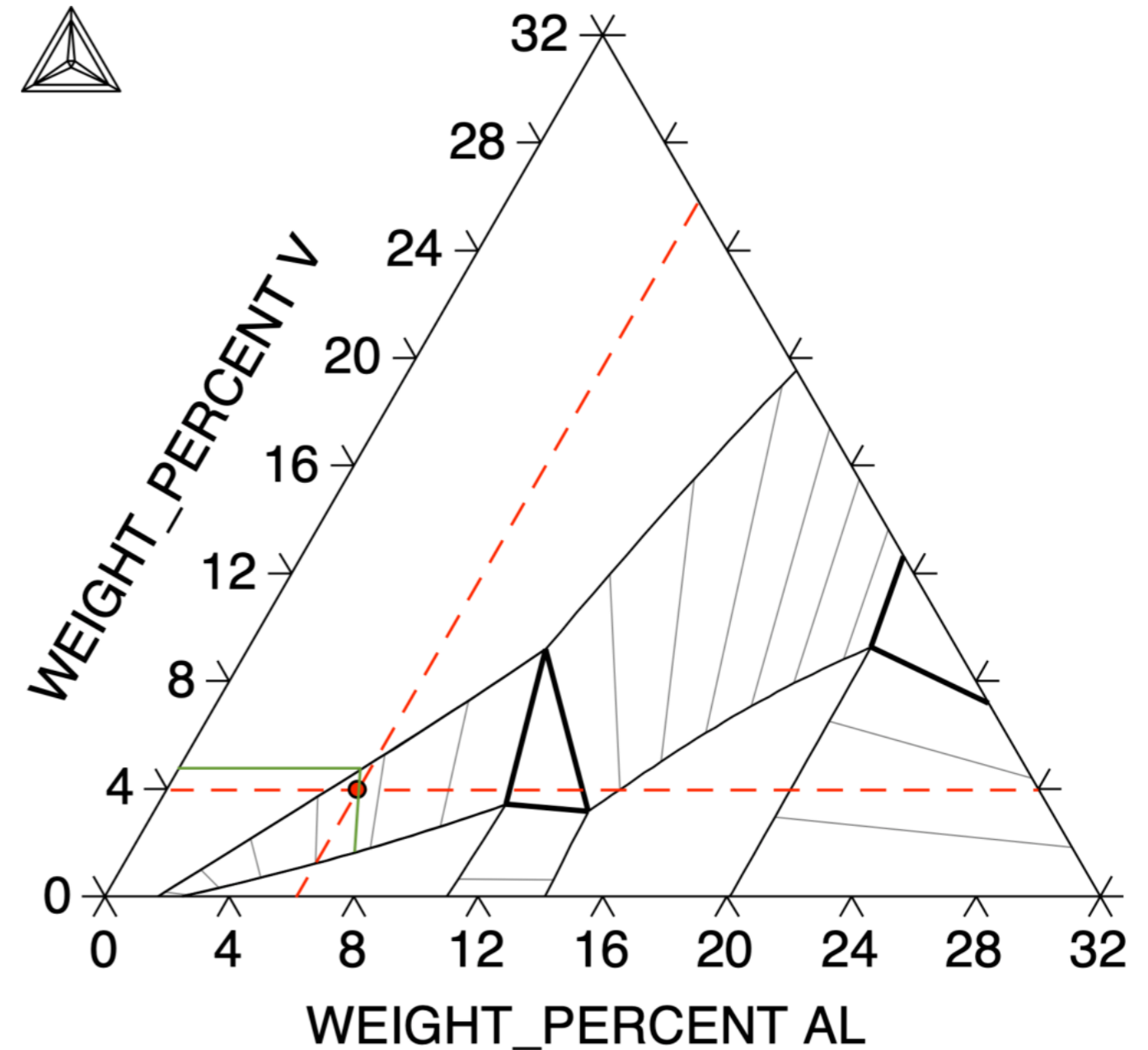
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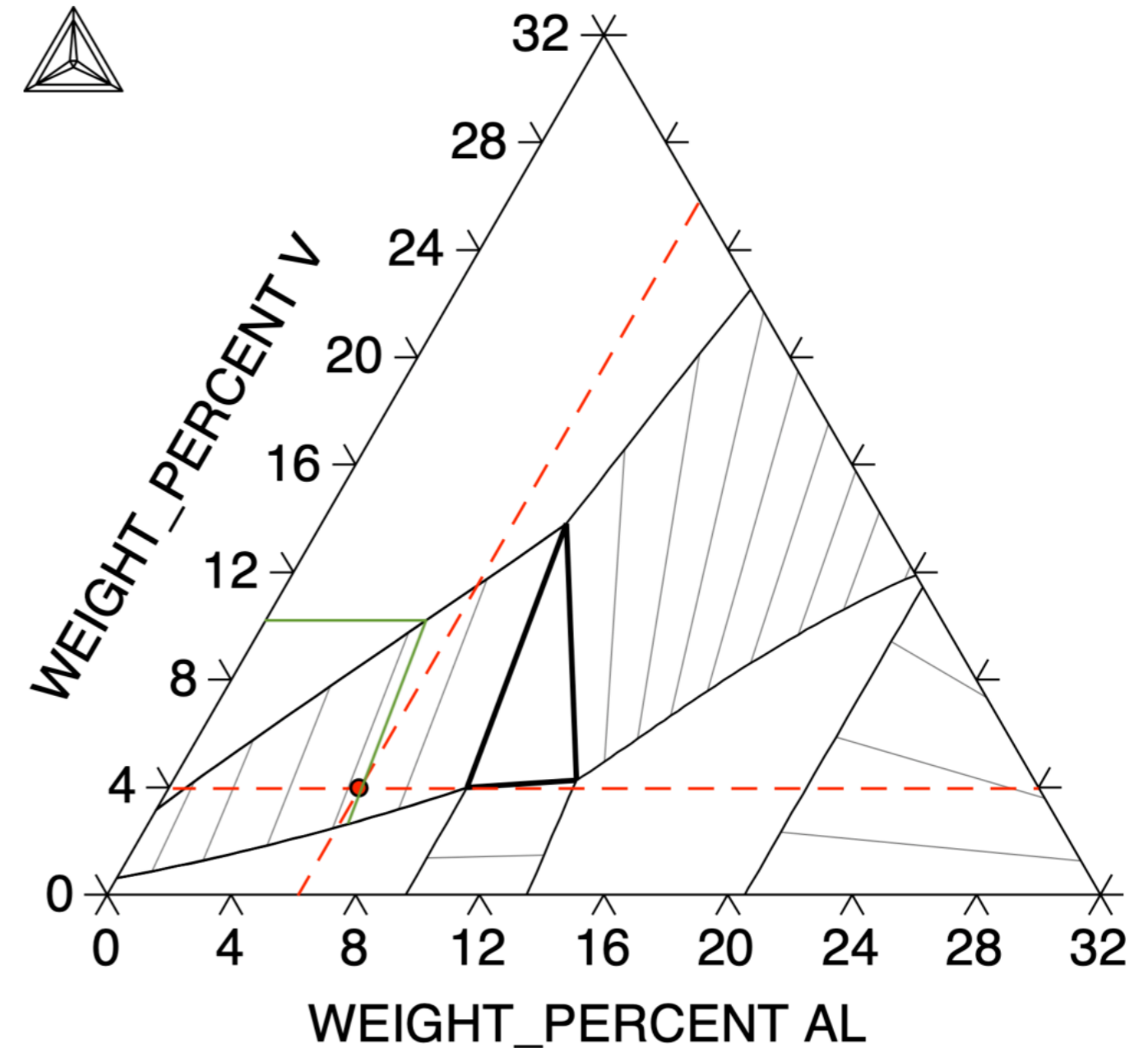
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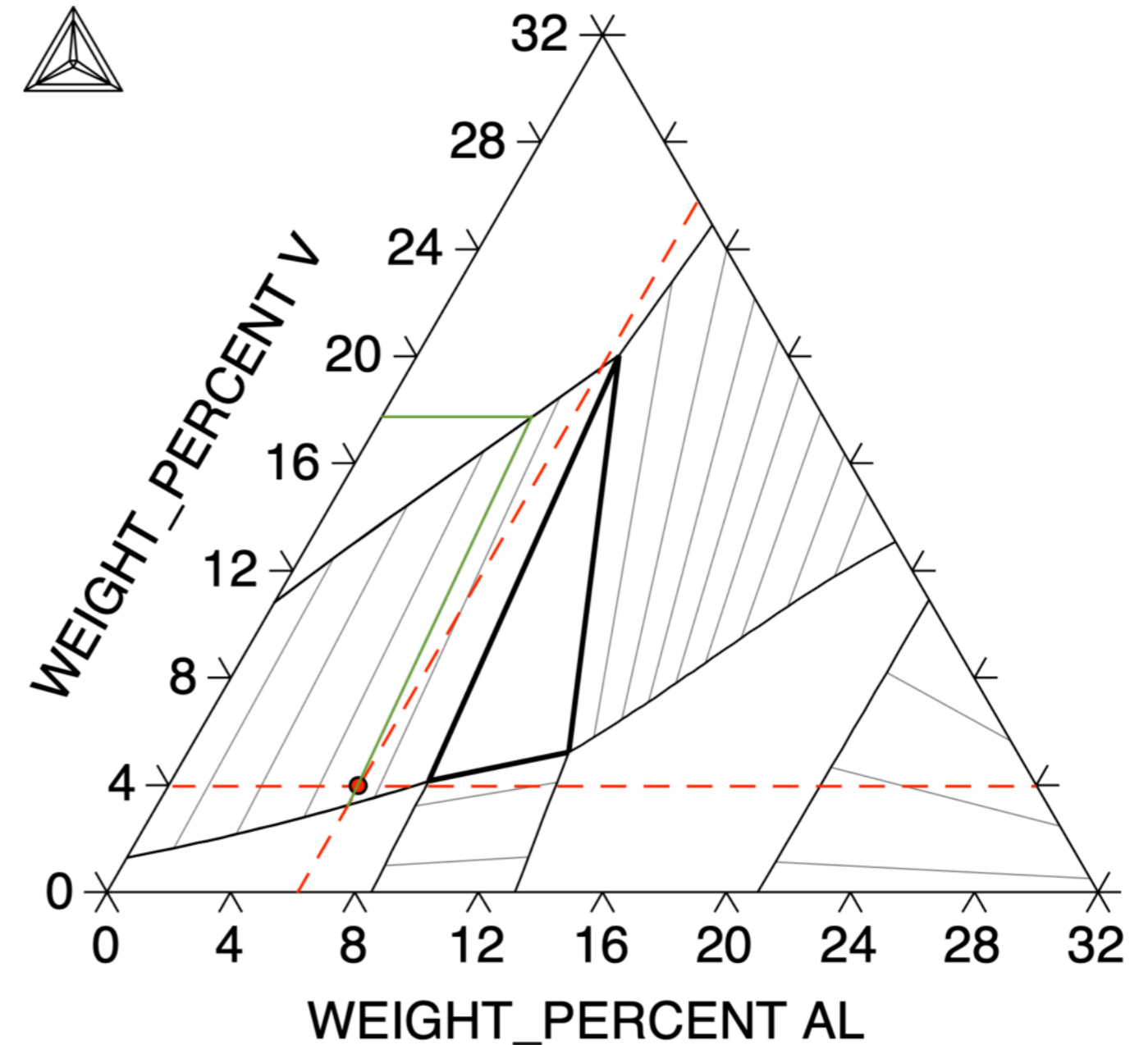
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727°C

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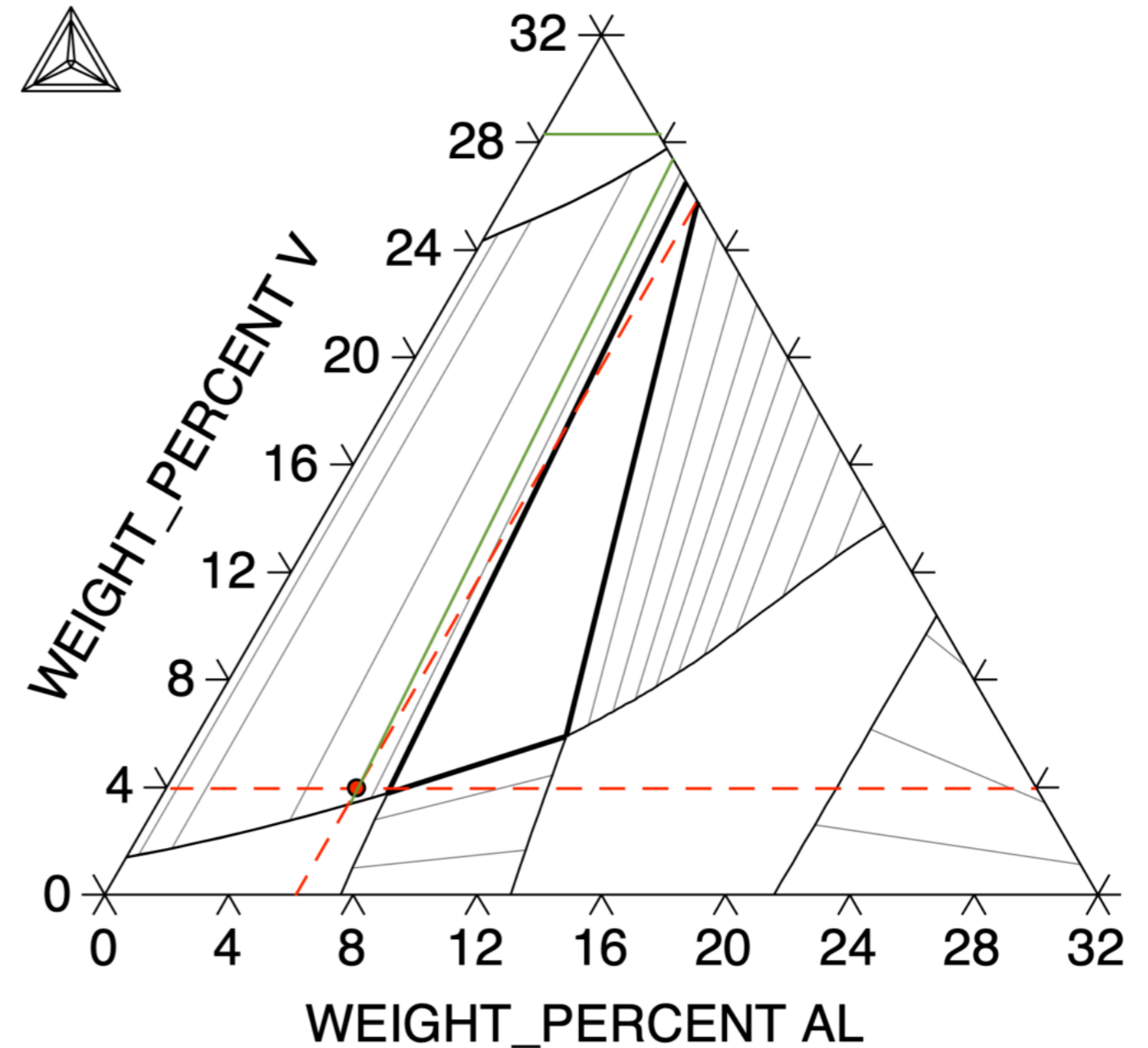
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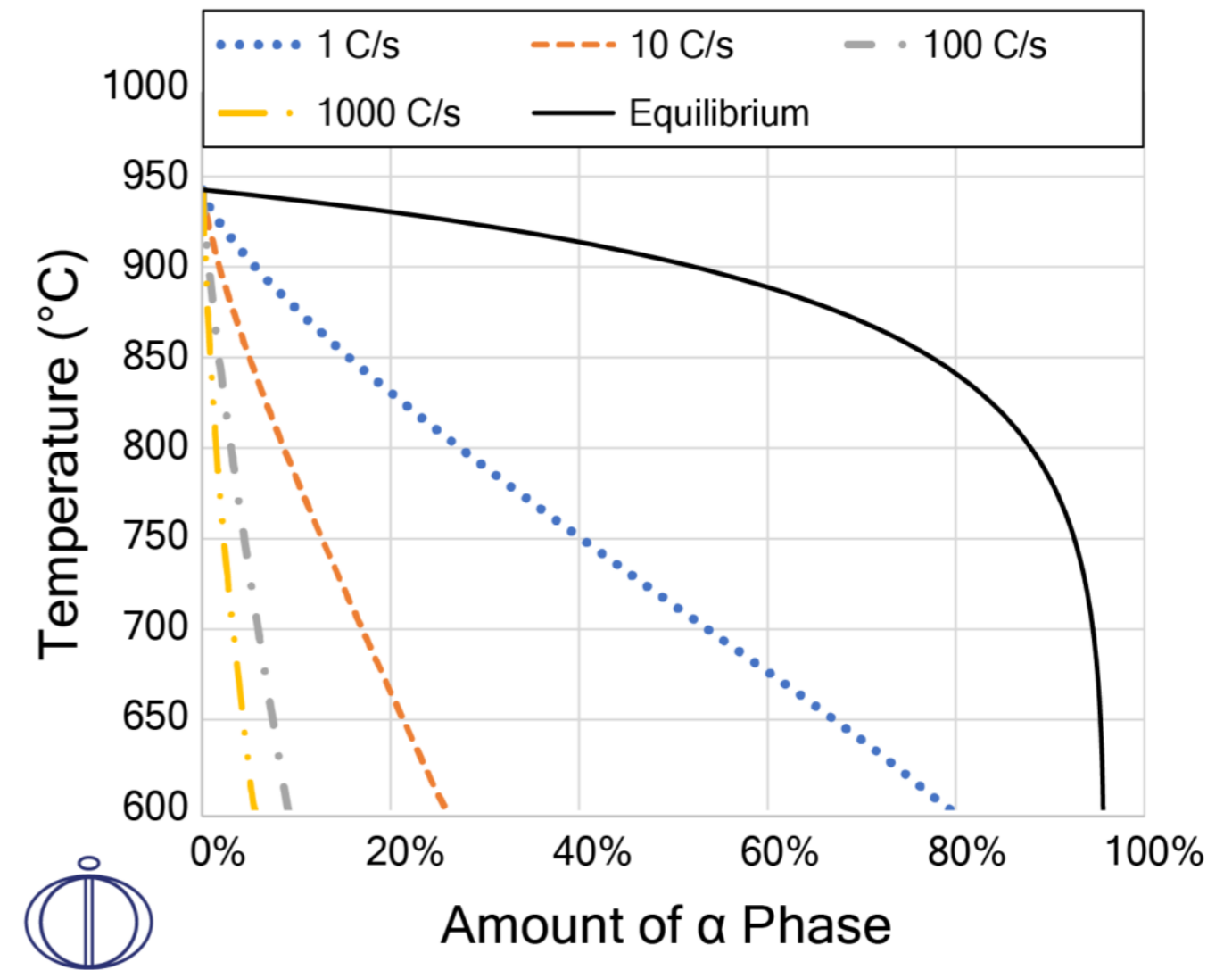
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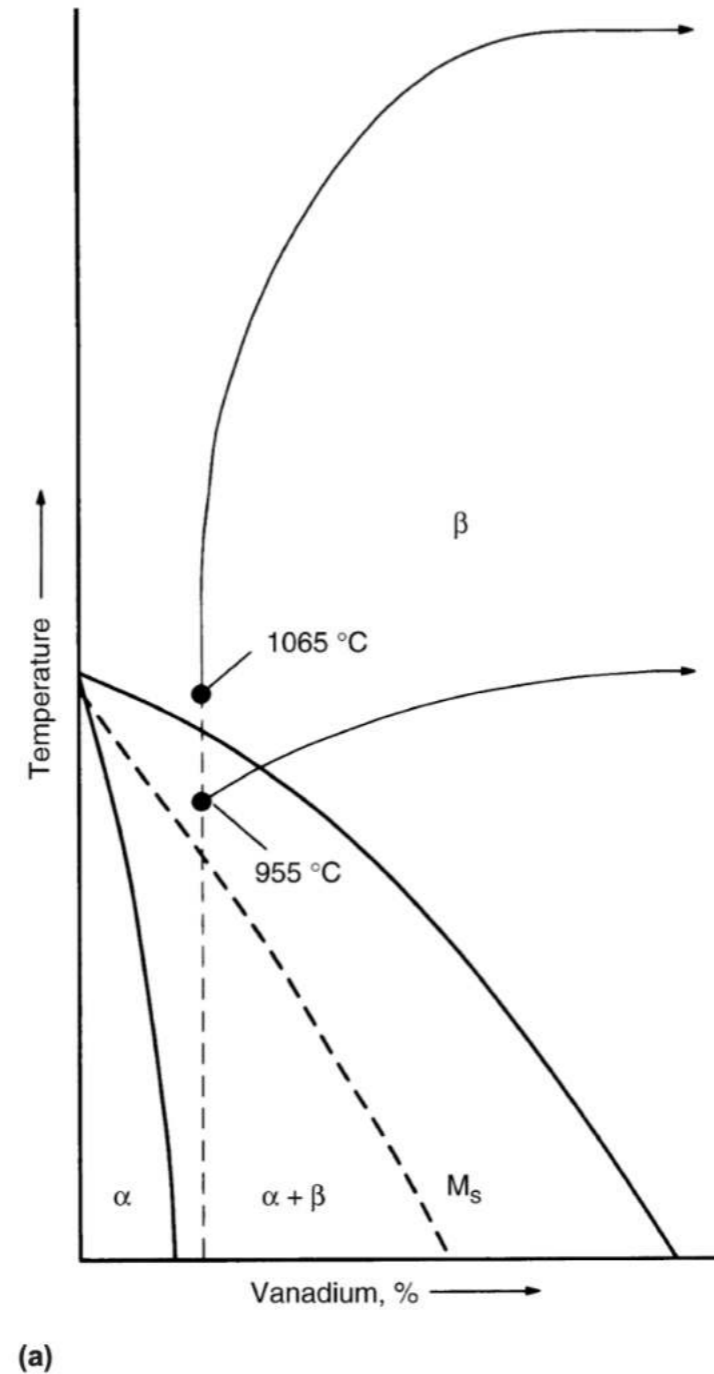
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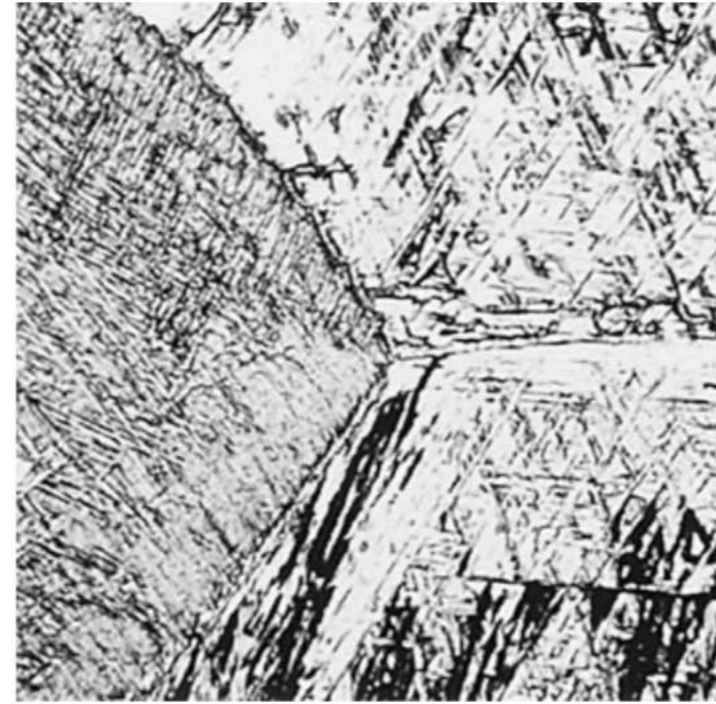


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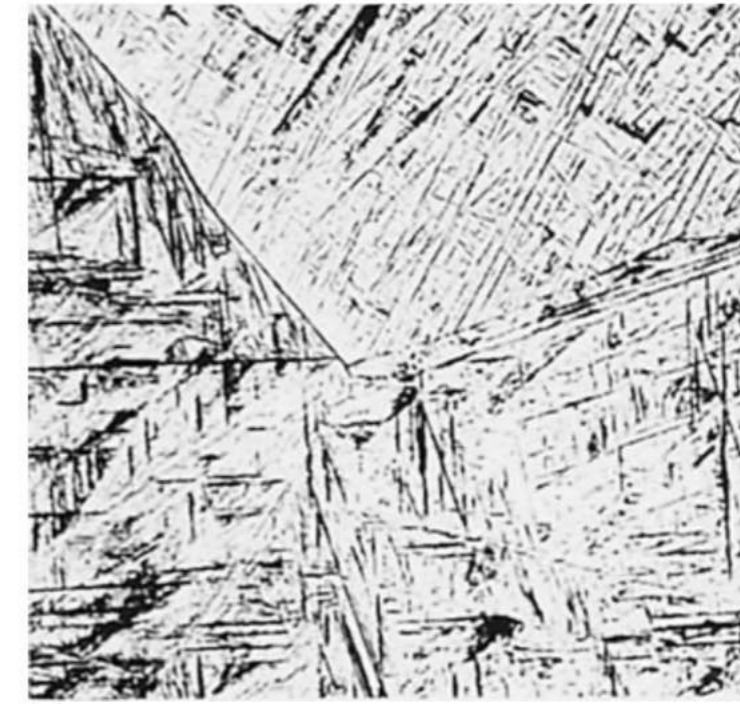
- Lamellaires
  - $\alpha$
  - $\alpha'$
- Équiaxe  $\alpha$
- Les deux (duplex)



Air cooled



Water quenched



# Microstructures

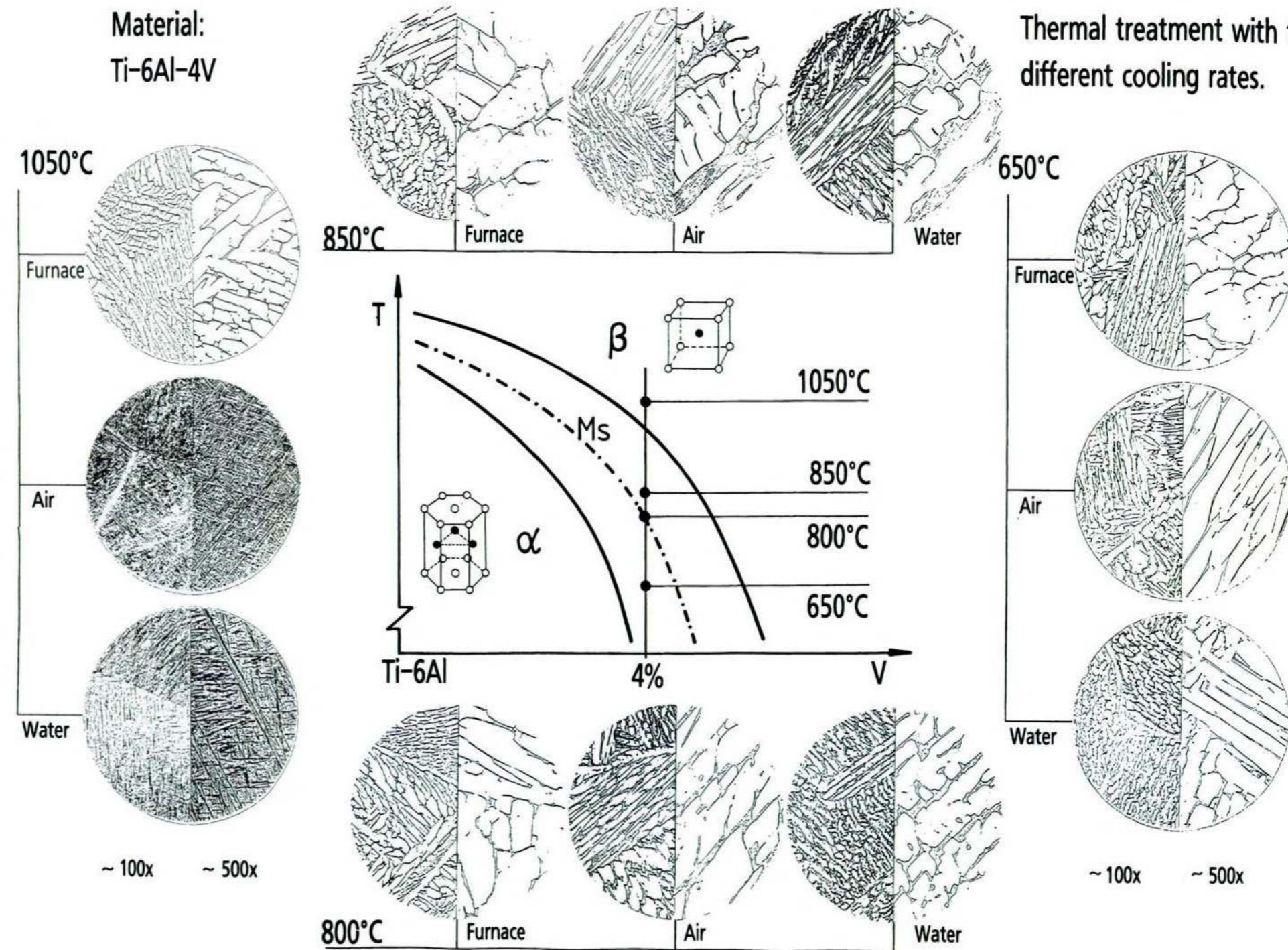
## Lamellaires

Refroidissements depuis  $\beta$

- lent =  $\alpha$  (grossier)
- rapide =  $\alpha'$  (fin)

Refroidissements depuis  $\alpha + \beta$

- =  $\alpha$  (grossier)

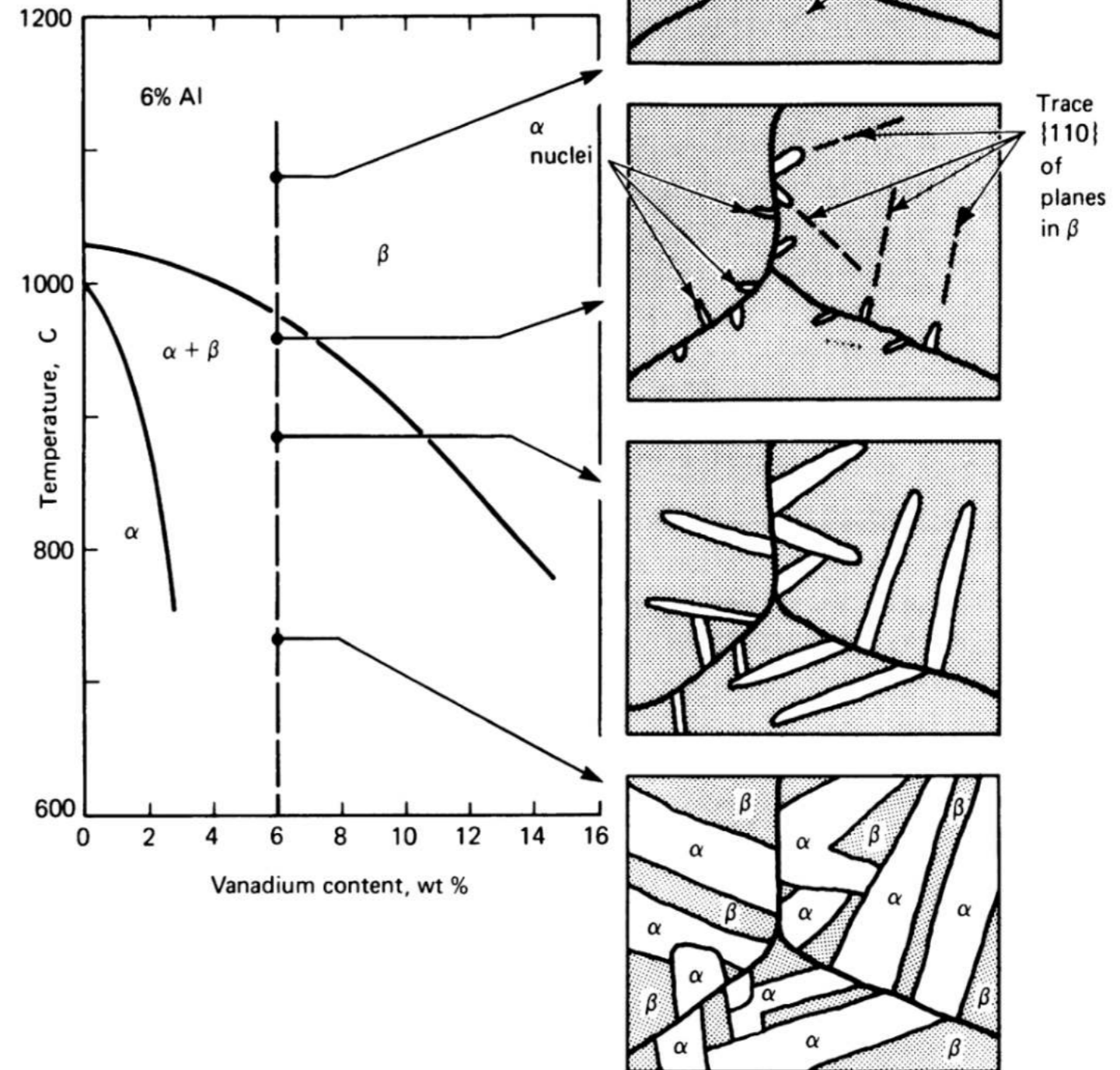


# Microstructures

## Lamellaires $\alpha$

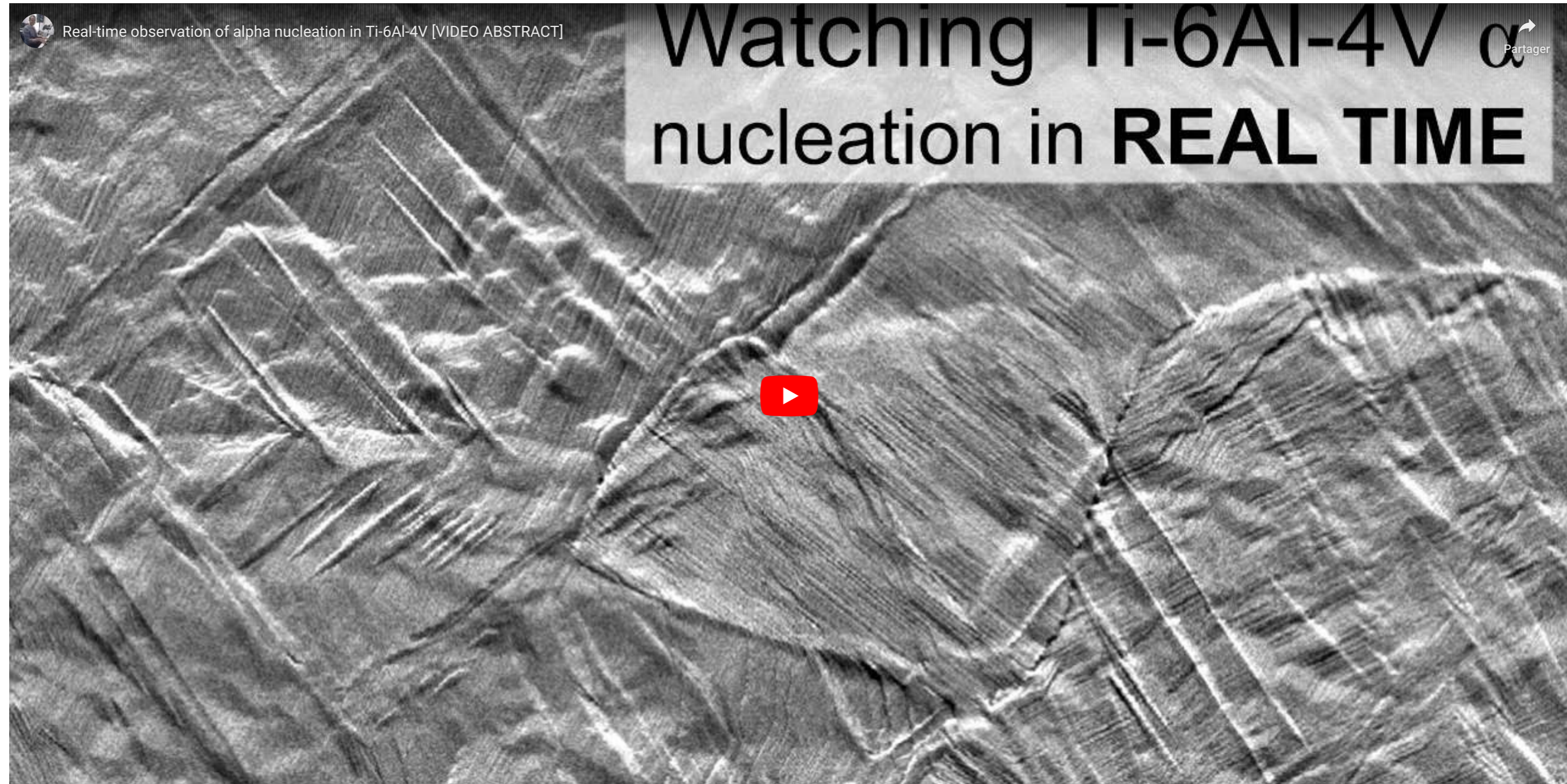
Refroidissements depuis  $\beta$

- Germination aux jdg  $\beta$
- Croissance des plaquettes vers l'intérieur
- Souvent en colonies



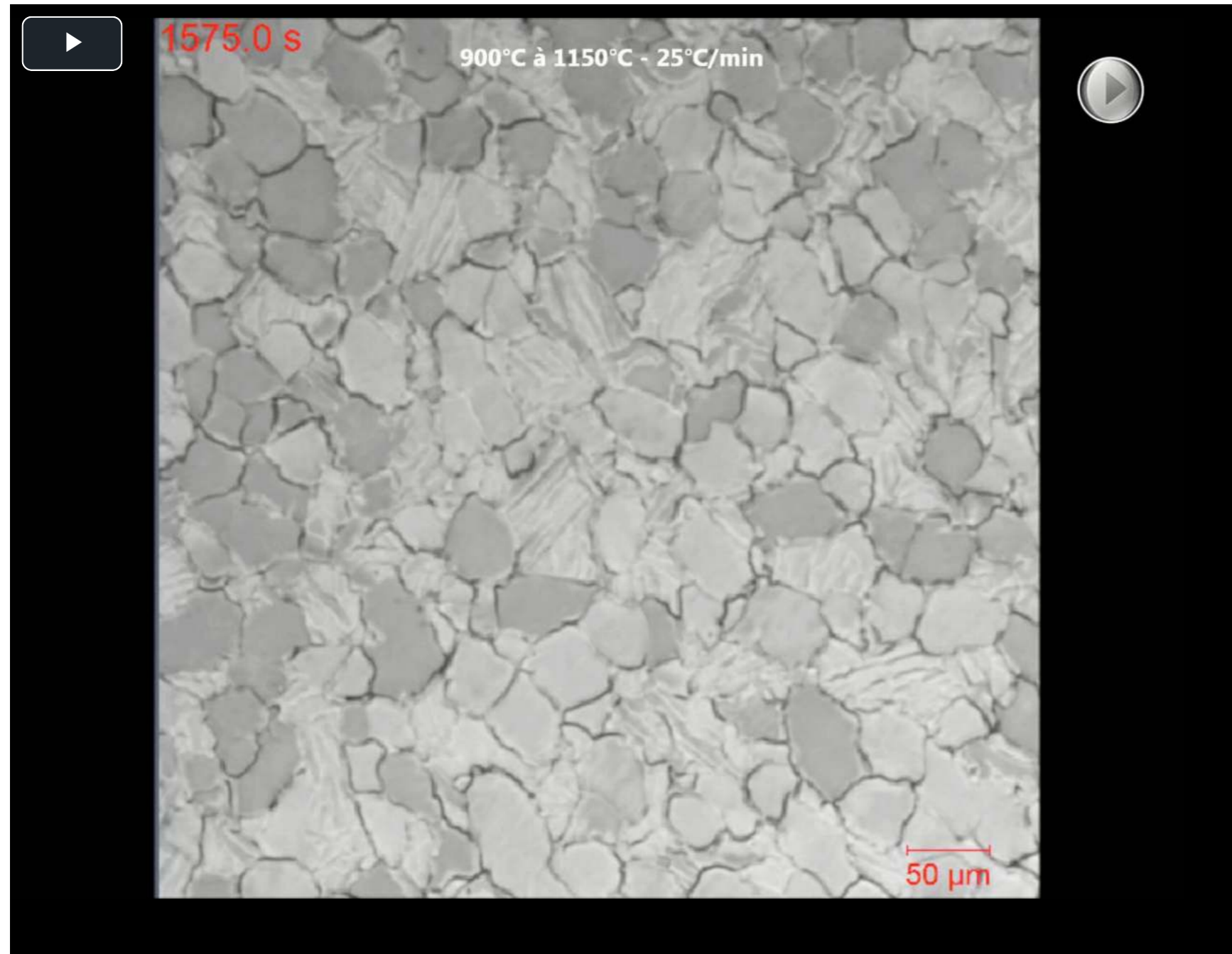
# Microstructures

En direct de Manchester



# Microstructures

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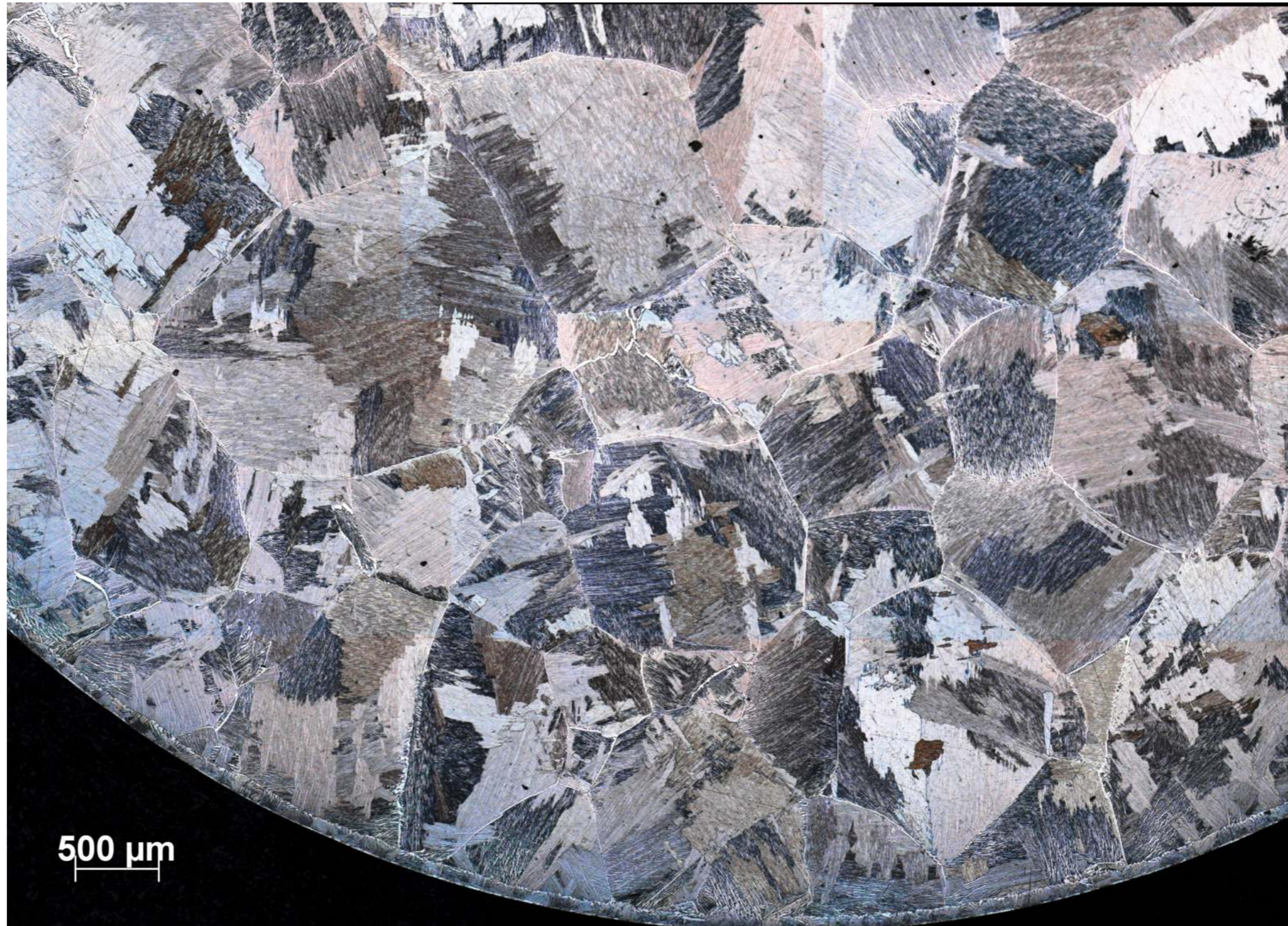


Florimonde Lebel 2010

# Microstructures

## Lamellaires $\alpha$

Benoît Denand 2021

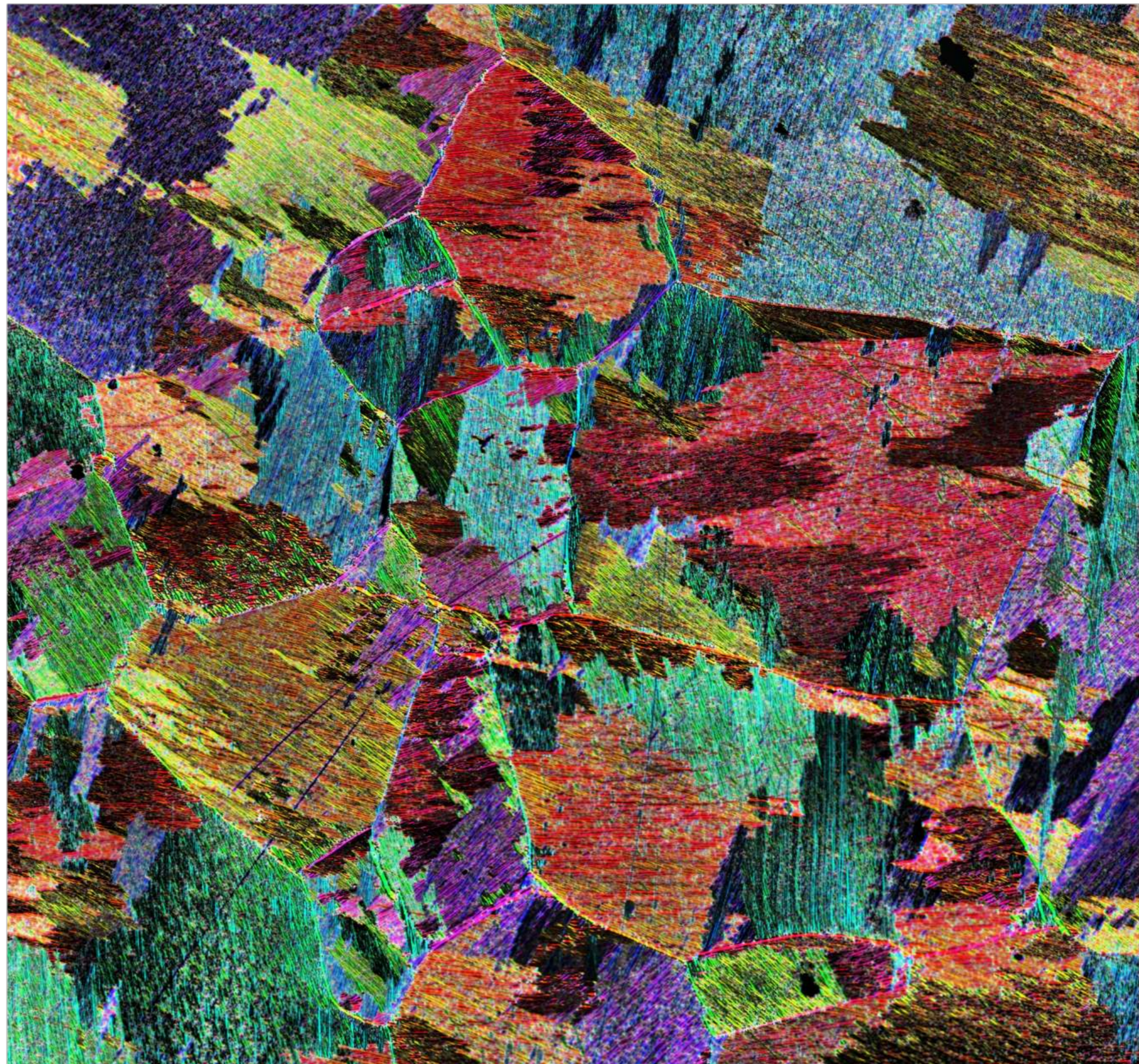


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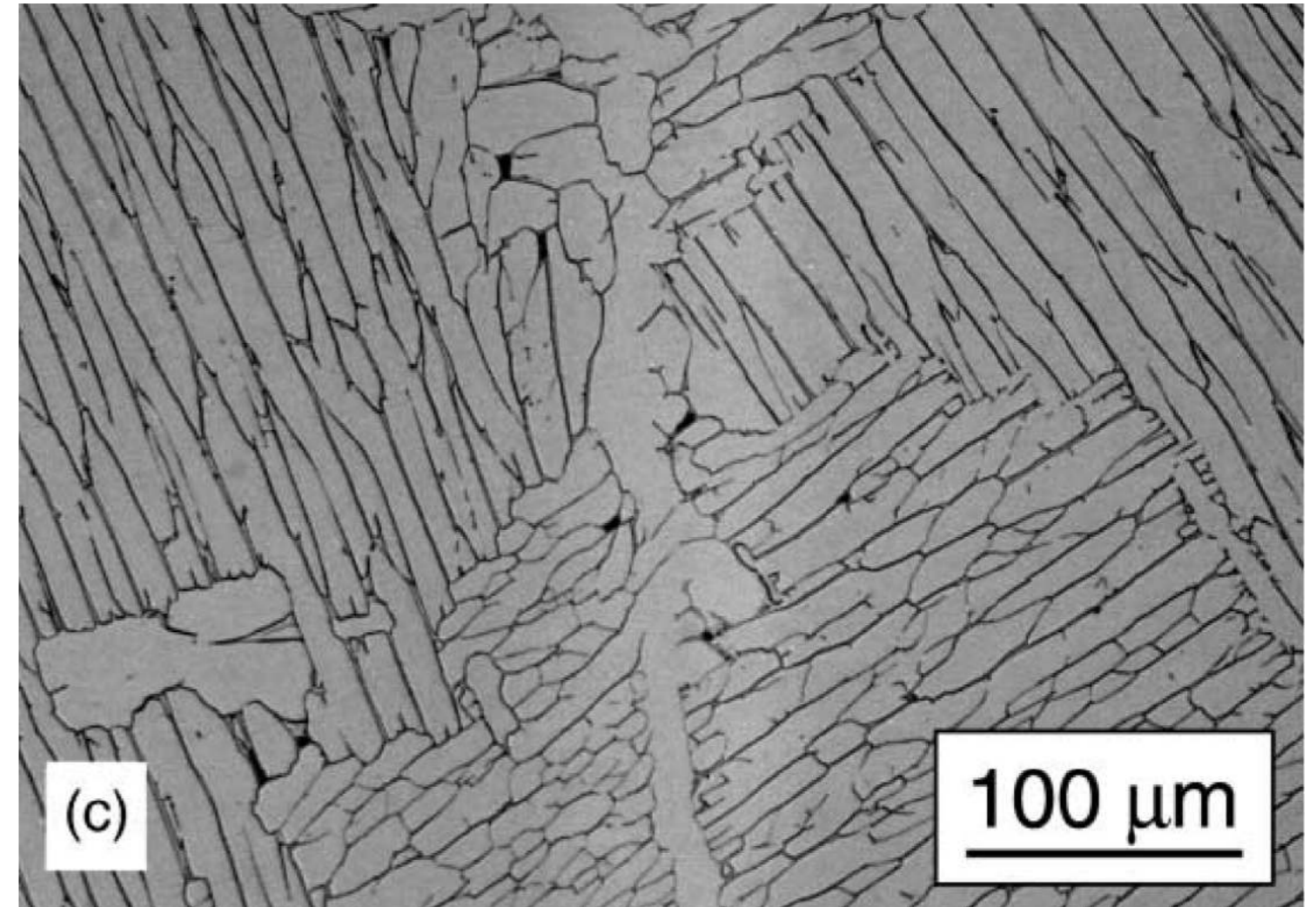
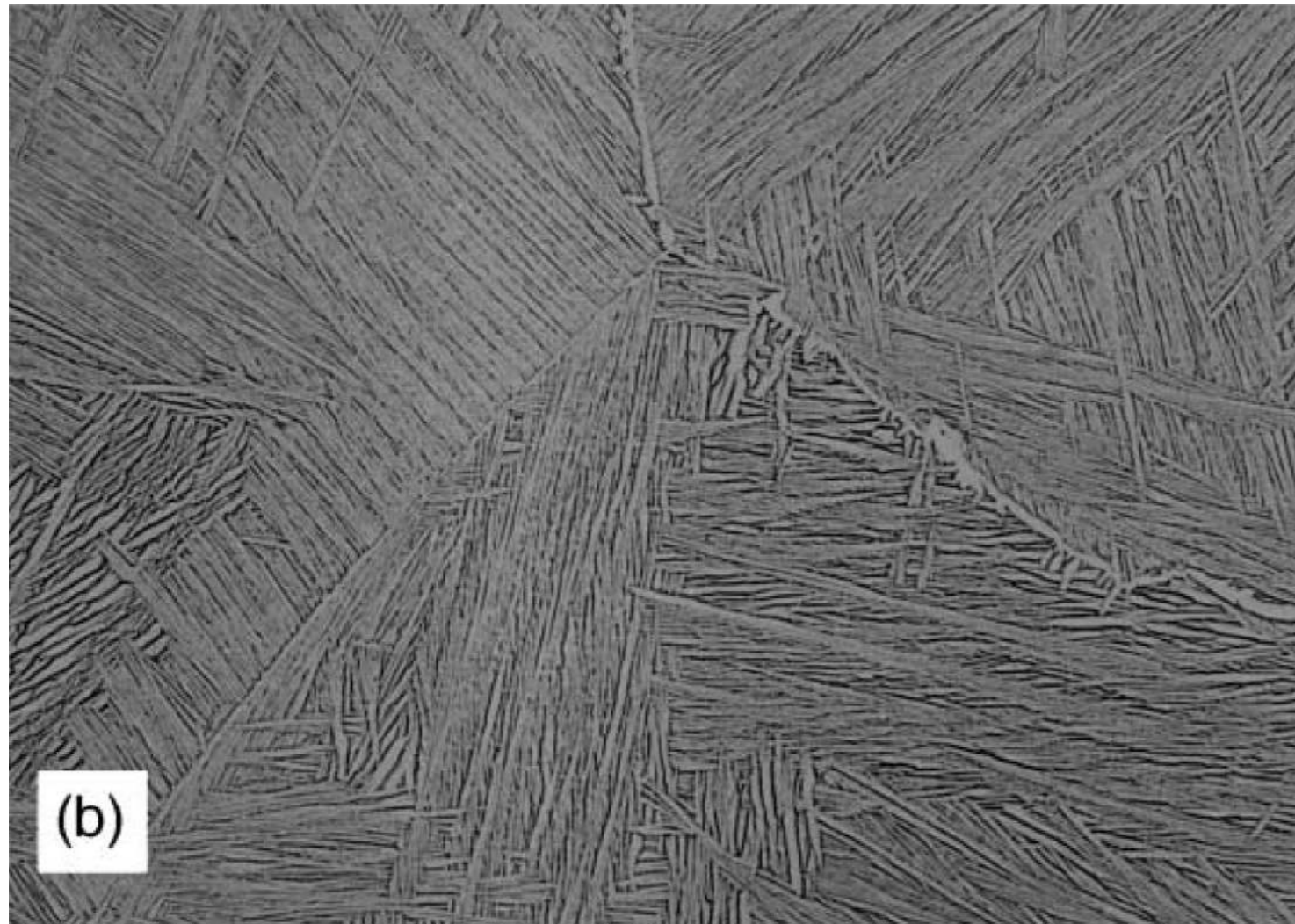
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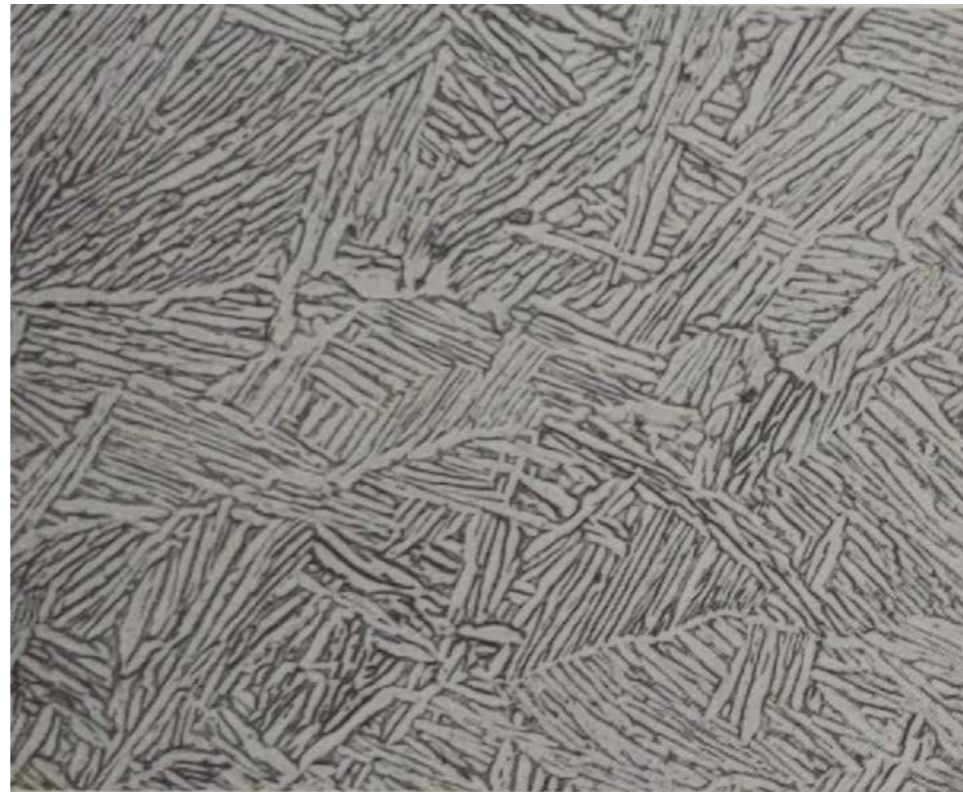
Semiatin, Bieler 2001

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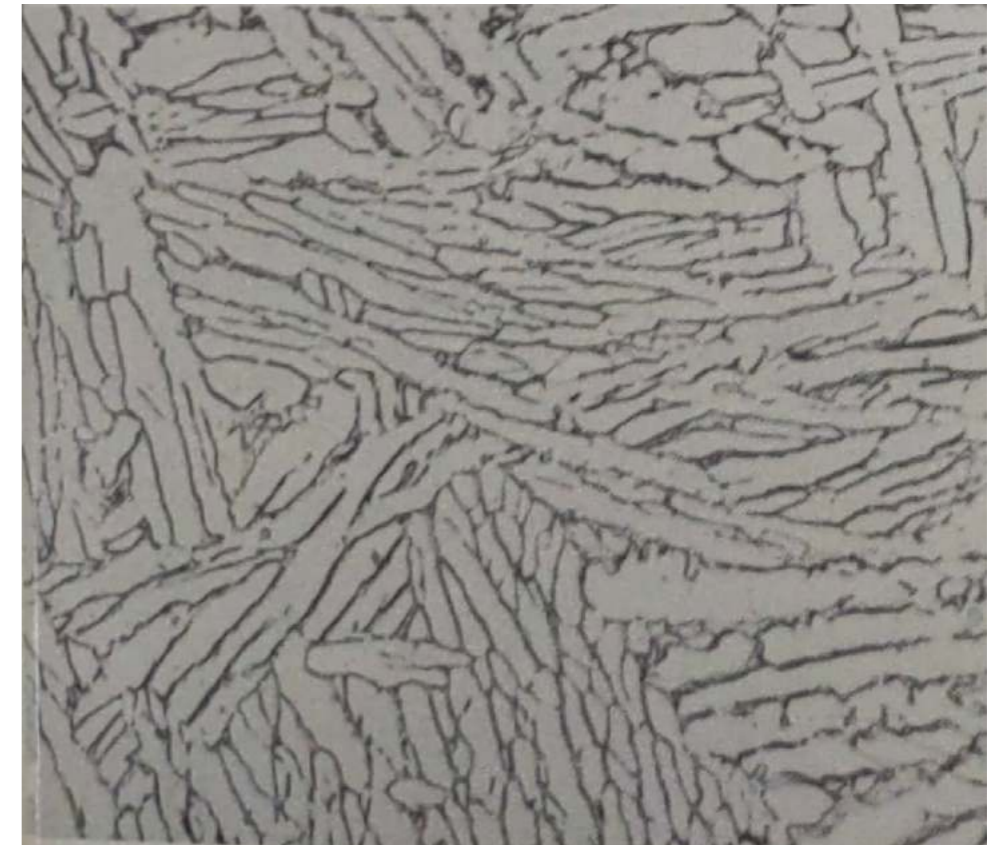
Lamellaires  $\alpha$  : rien n'a changé



2 HF, 8 HNO<sub>3</sub>, 90 H<sub>2</sub>O 200×  
 2710 Ti-6Al-4V extrusion, heated for ½ hr at 1850 F (1010 C), air cooled, then heated for 1 hr at 1250 F (677 C), air cooled. Structure: acicular alpha (transformed beta); alpha at prior beta grain boundaries.



Kroll's reagent (192) 250×  
 2725 Ti-6Al-4V, forged at 1900 F (1038 C), above the beta transus, air cooled, annealed 2 hr at 1300 F (704 C), and air cooled. Coarse, platelike alpha (light) and intergranular beta phase (dark). See also 2726 and 2727.

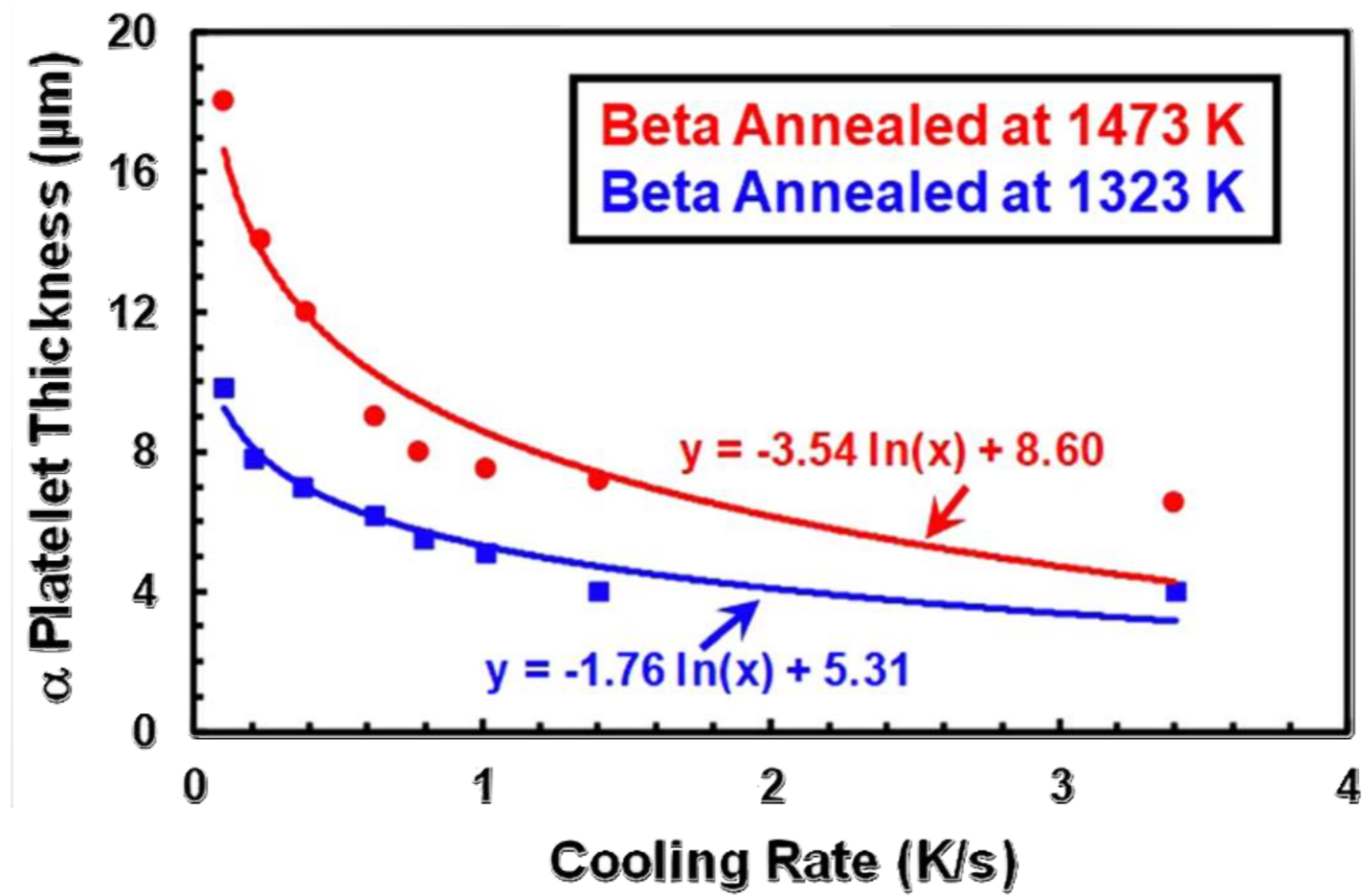


Kroll's reagent (192) 500×  
 2709 Ti-6Al-4V tube, 0.25-in. diam, annealed for 2 hr at 1300 F (704 C), furnace cooled at 300 F (167 C) per hour to 1000 F (538 C), and air cooled. The structure consists of transformed beta containing platelike alpha.

Atlas of microstructures of industrial alloys 1972

# Microstructures

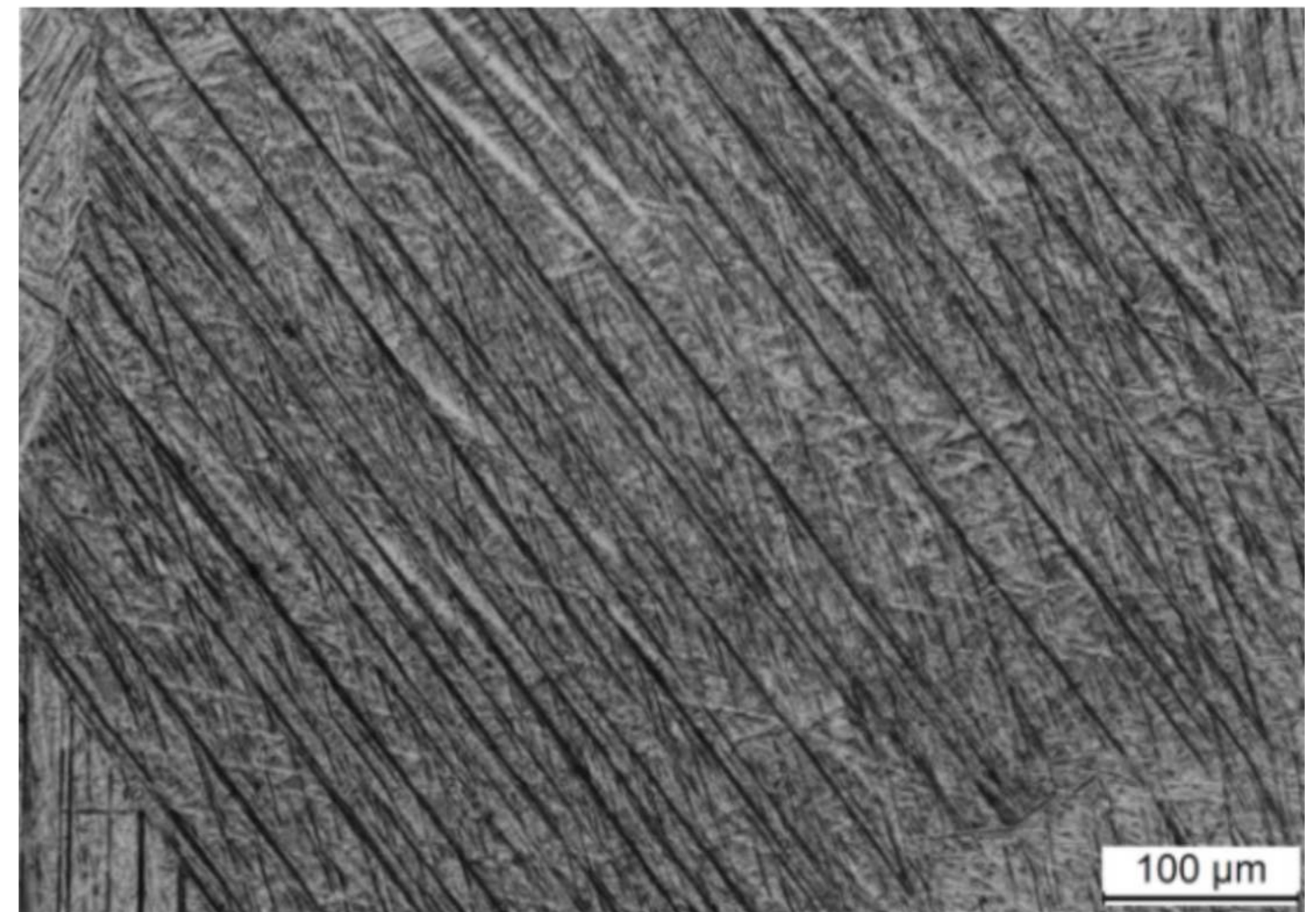
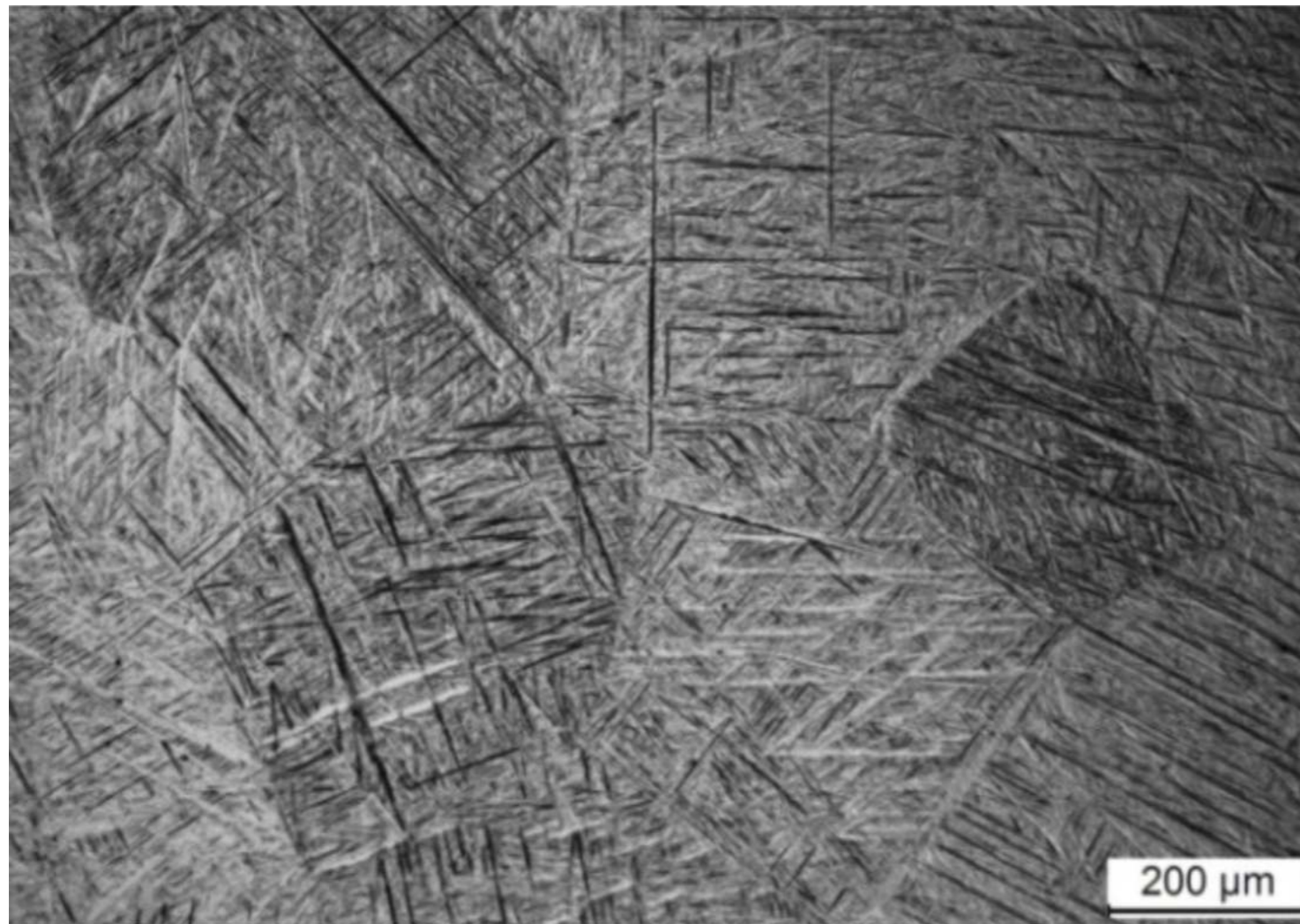
## Lamellaires $\alpha$



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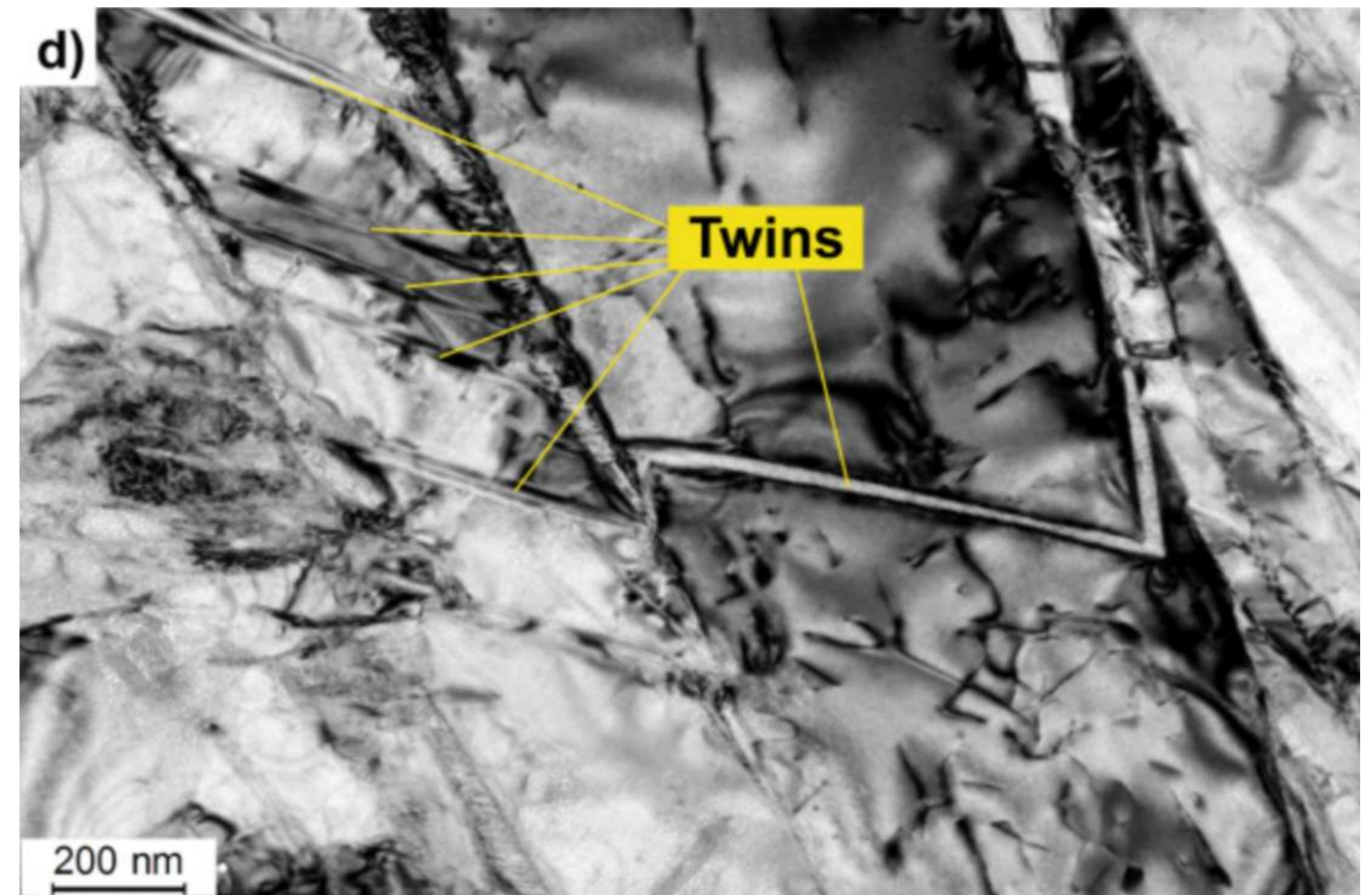
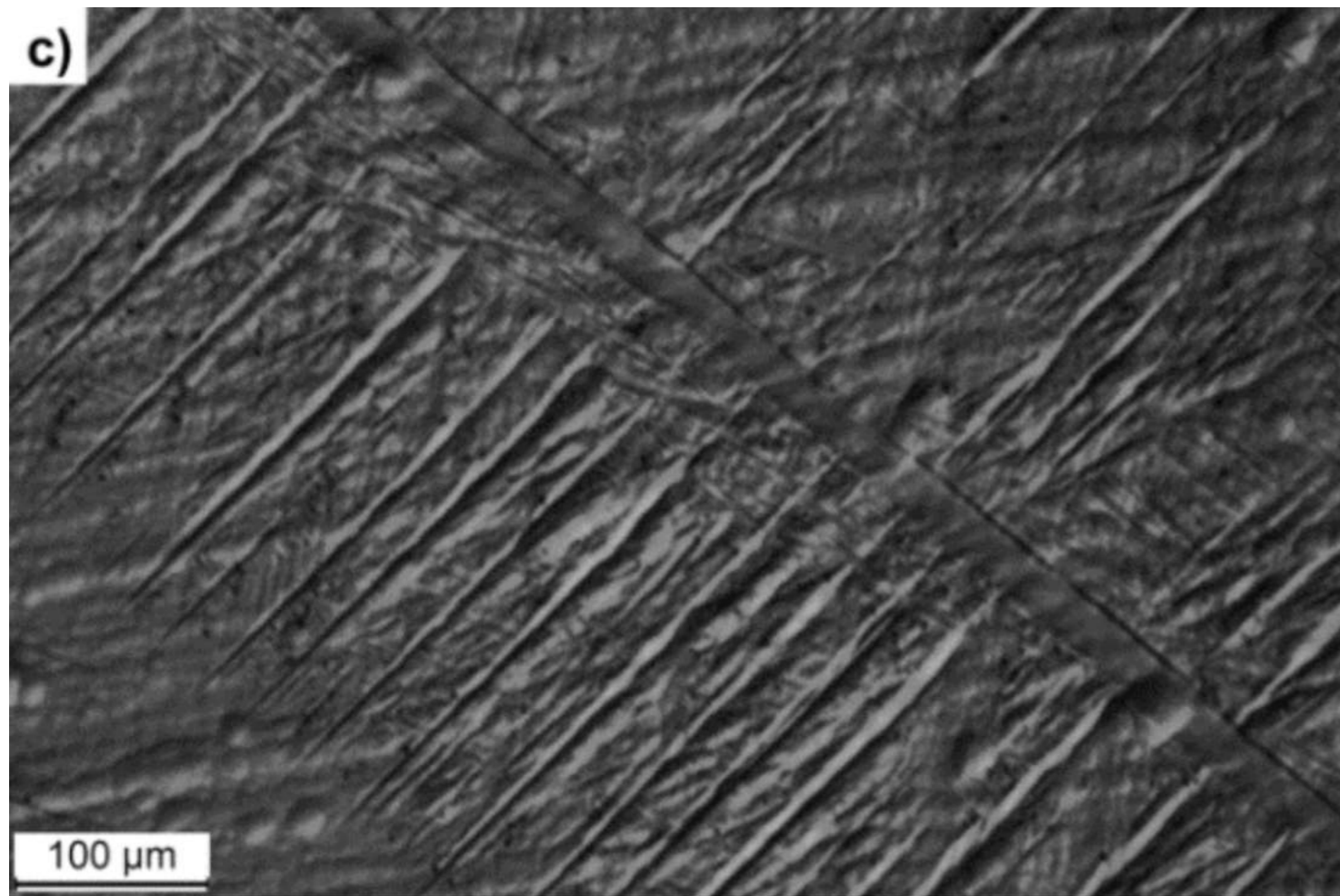
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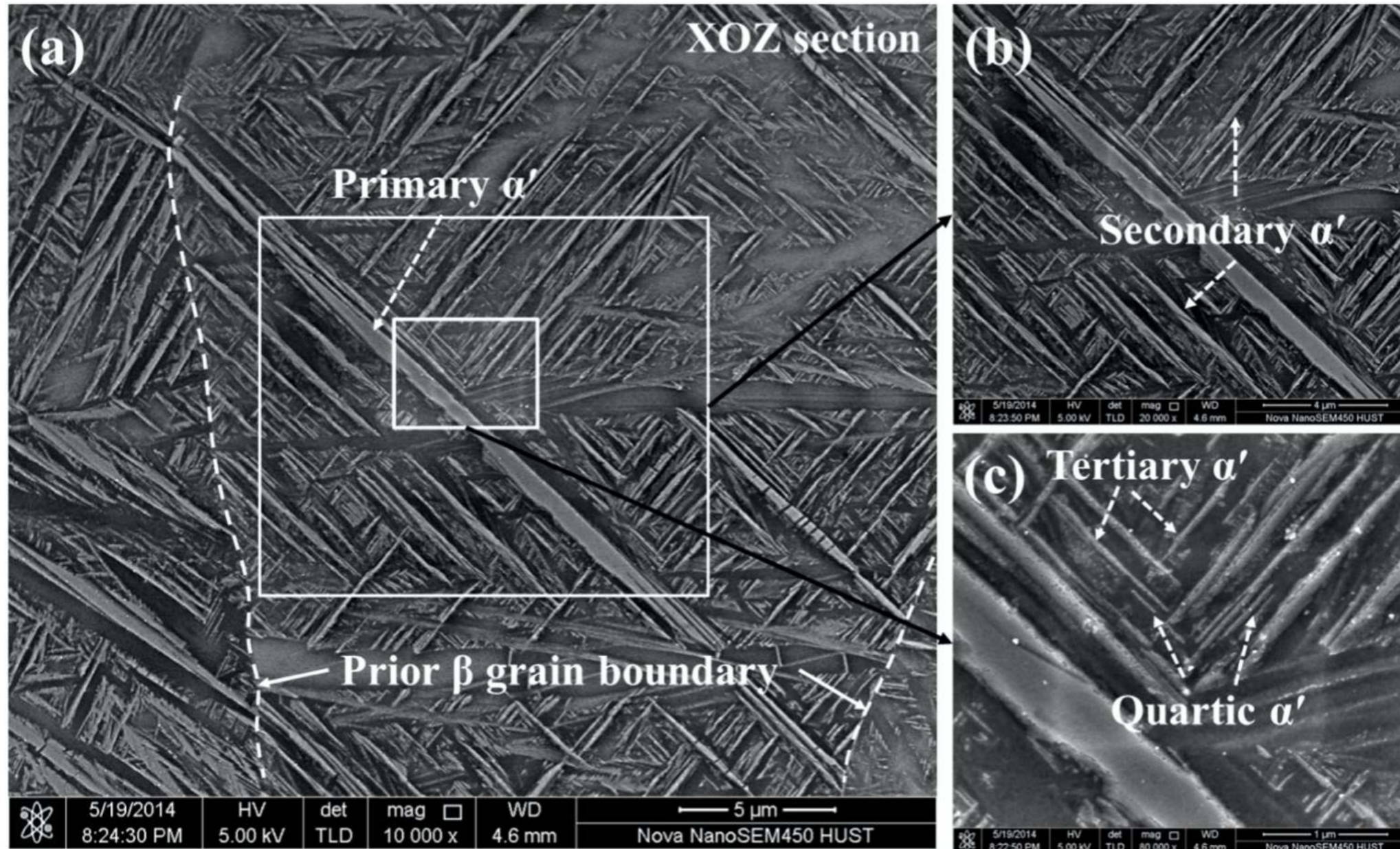
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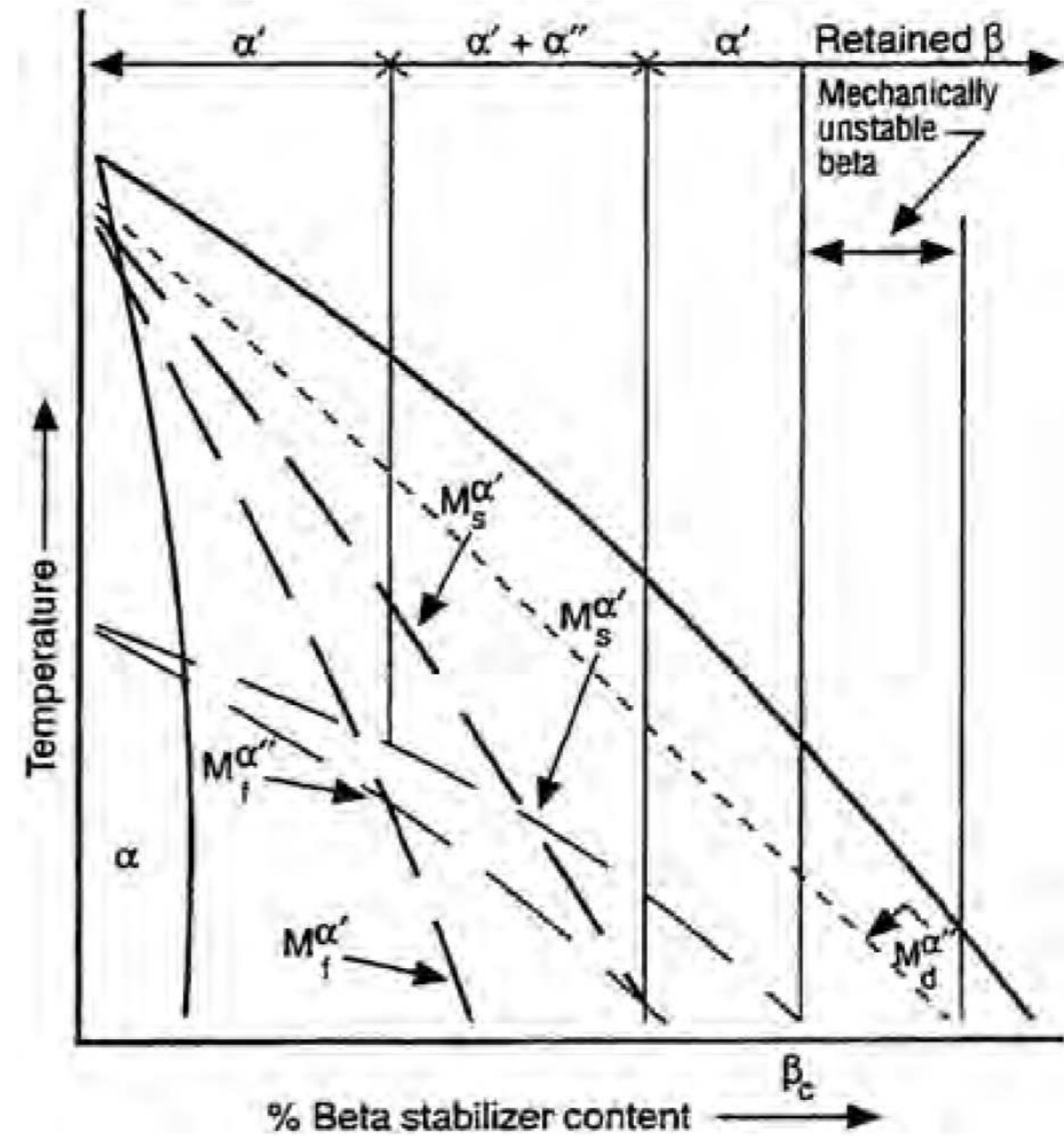
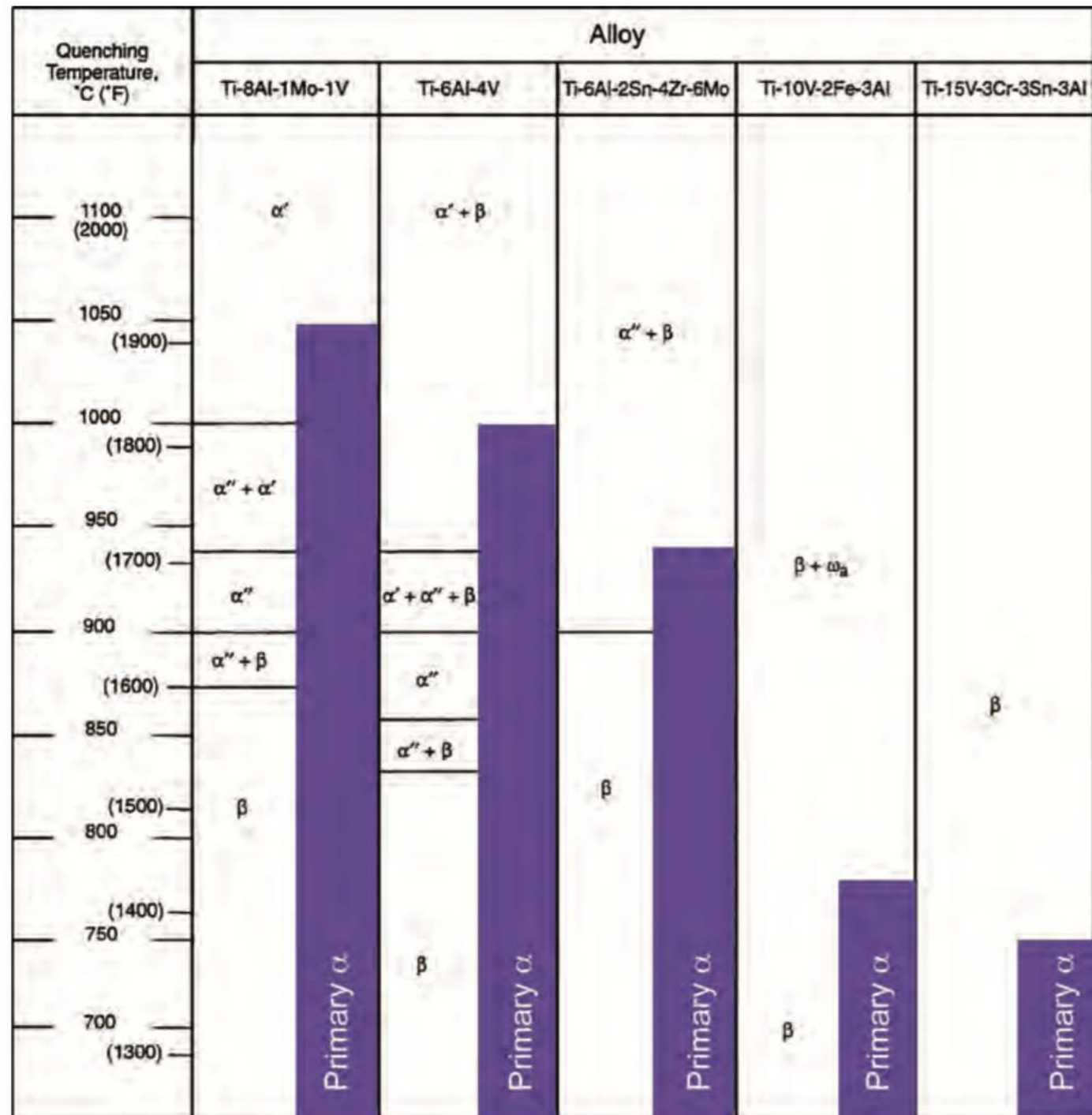
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Yang, Yu et coll. 2016

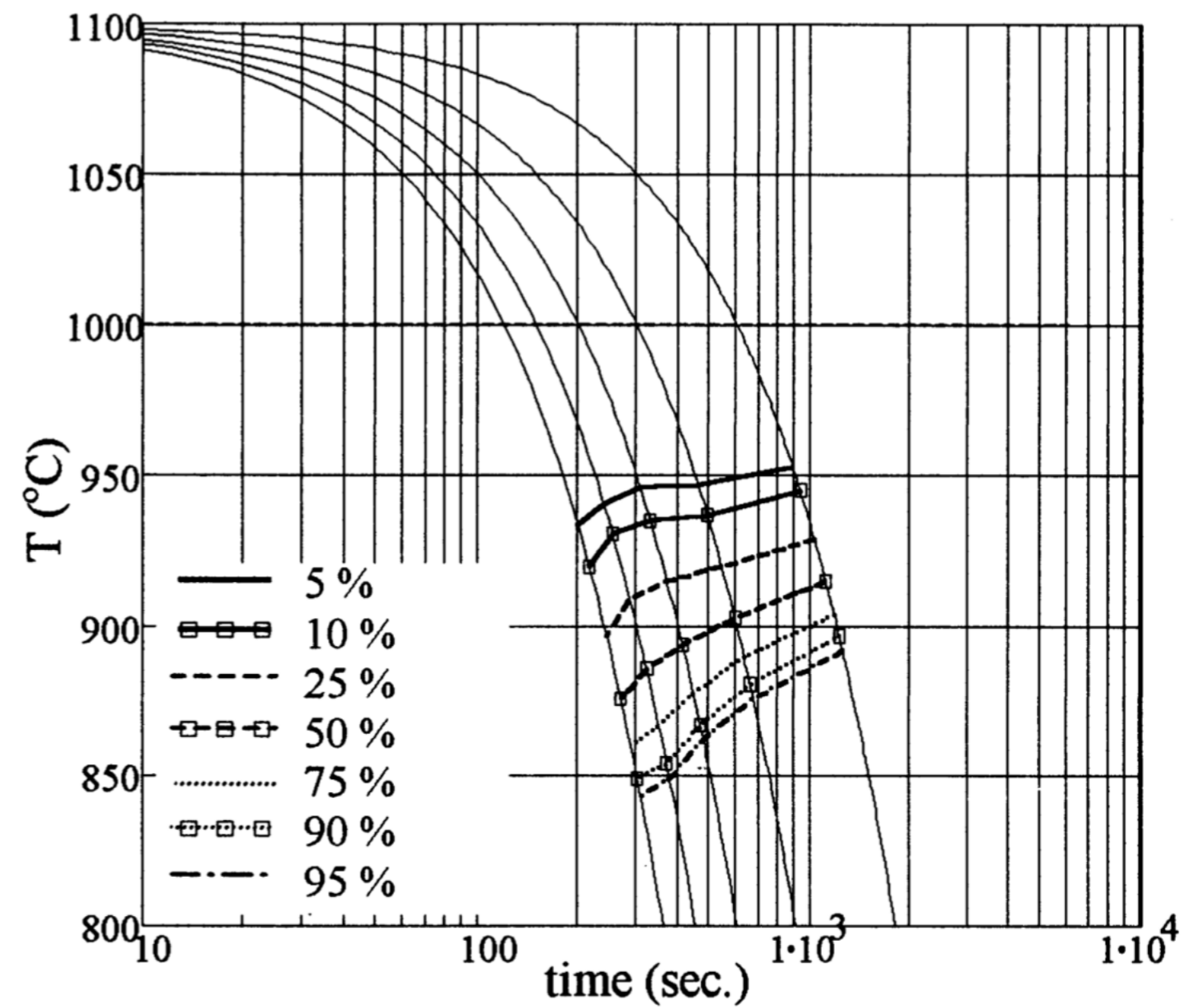
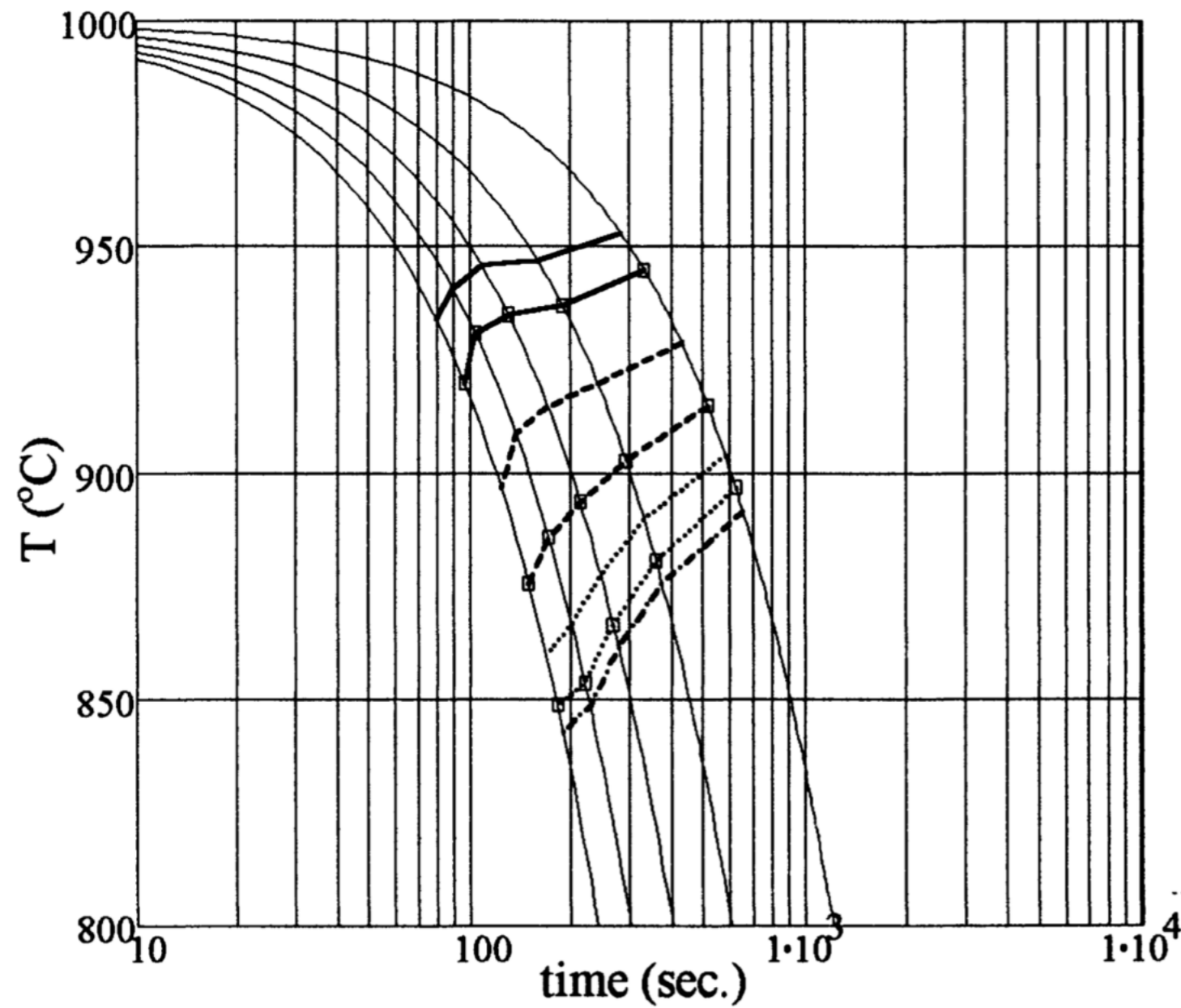
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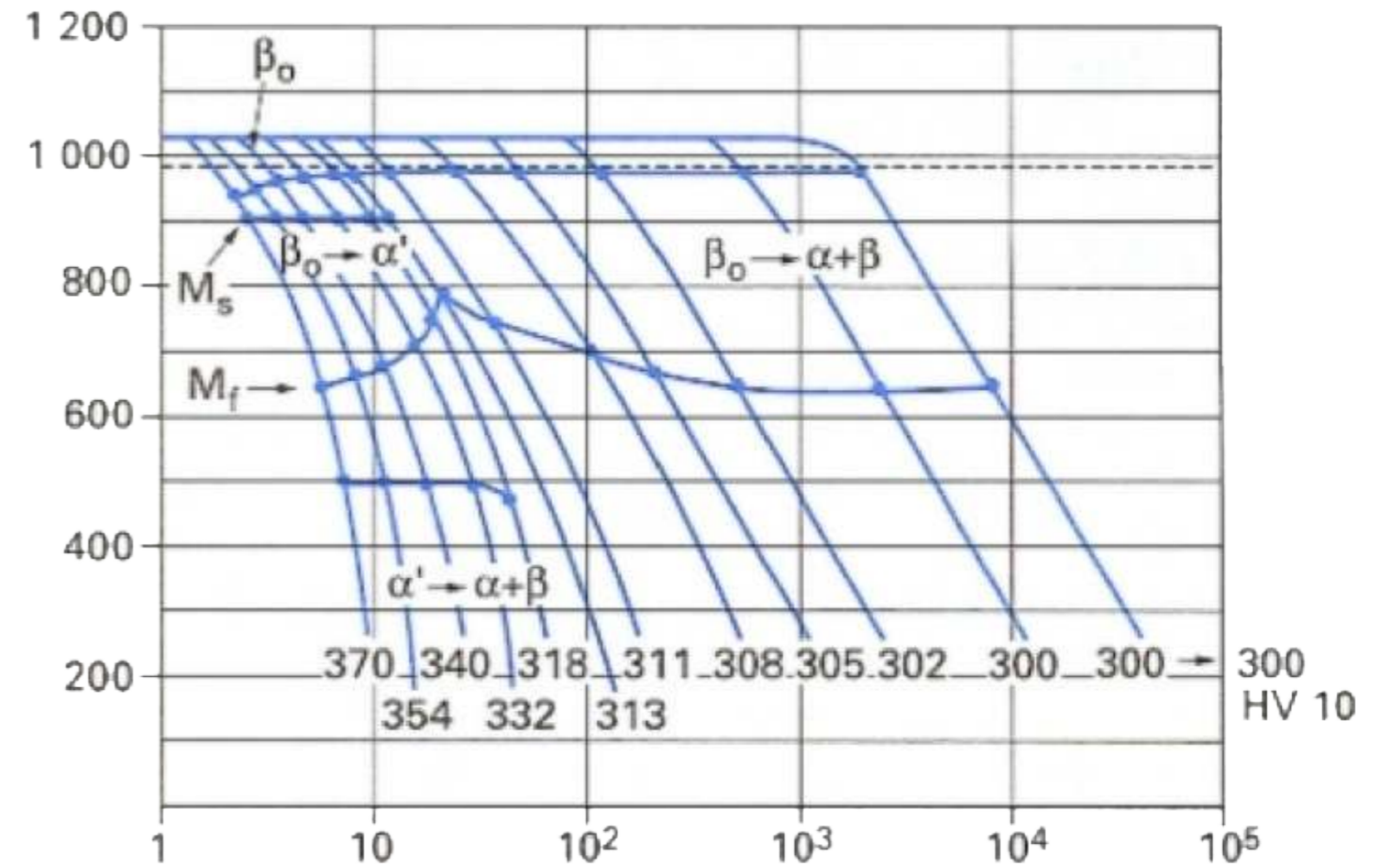
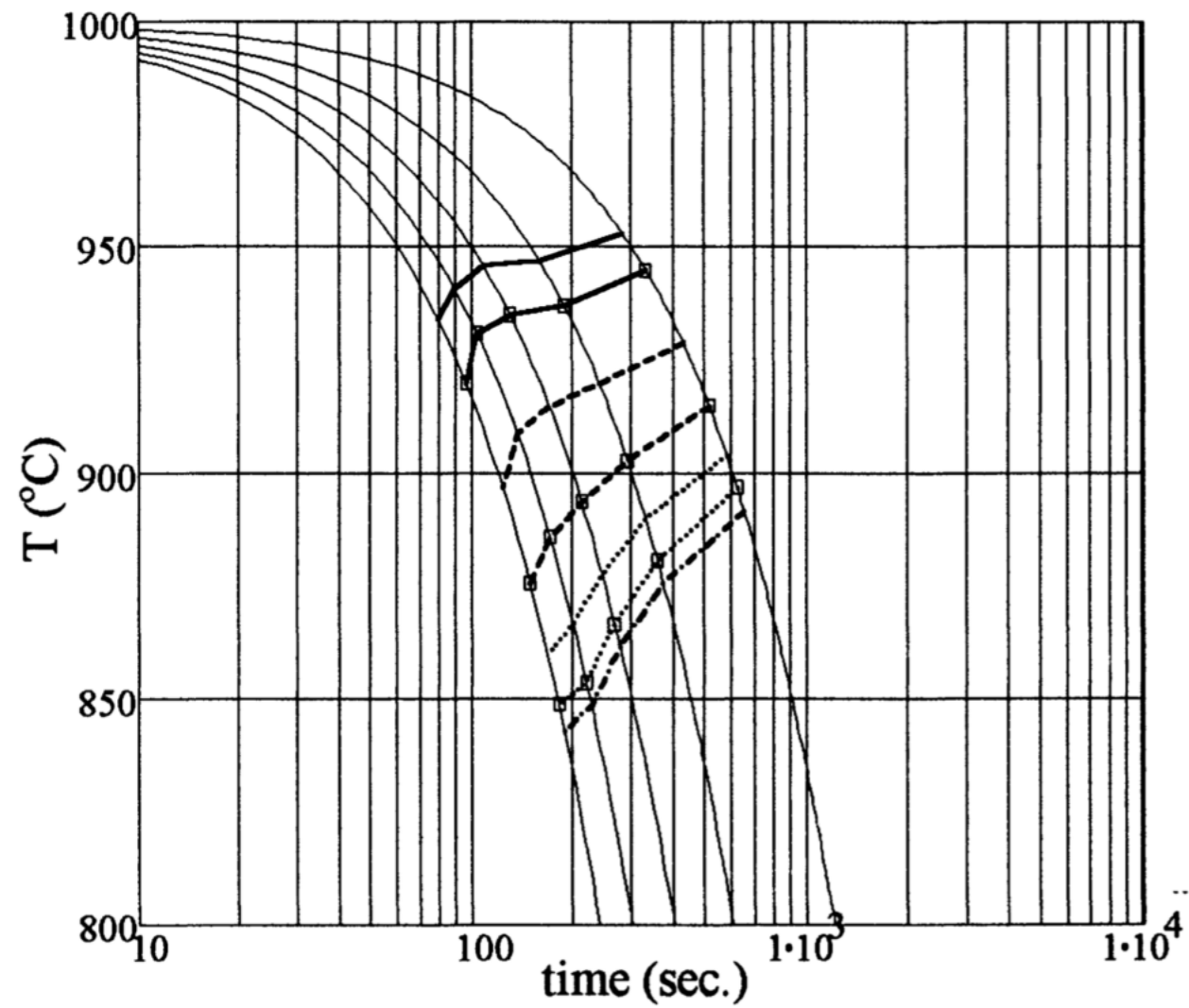
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## Cinétiques



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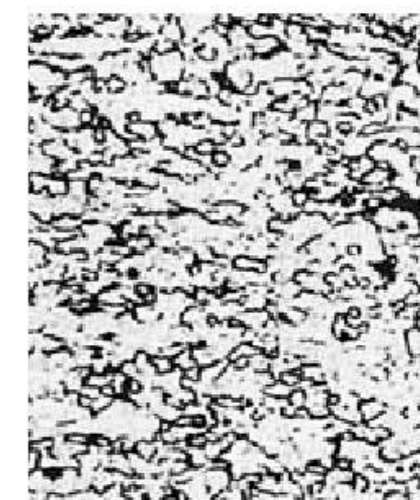
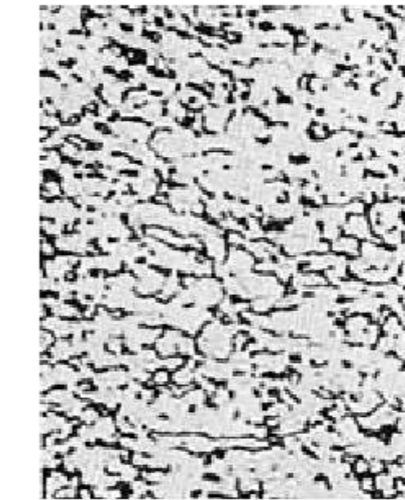
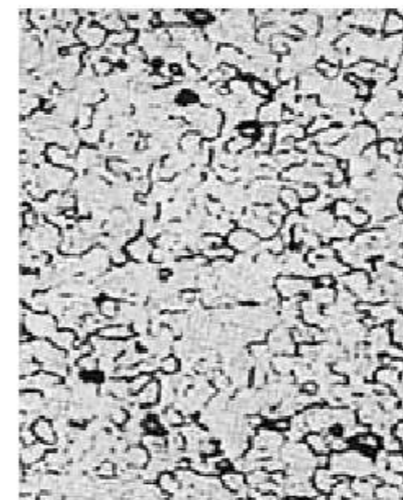
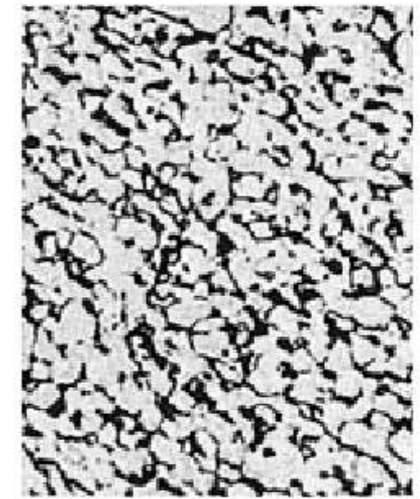
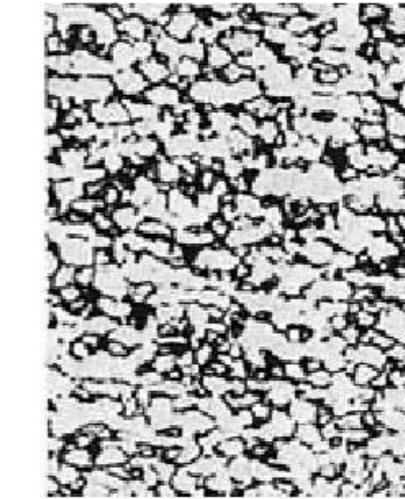
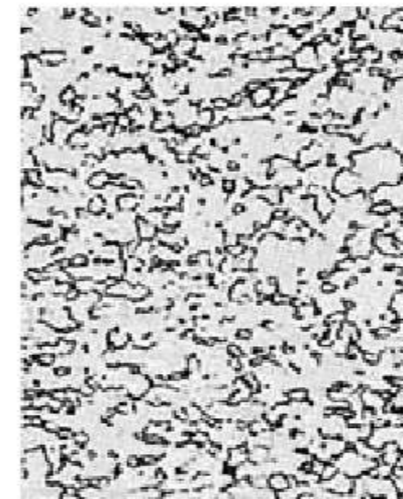
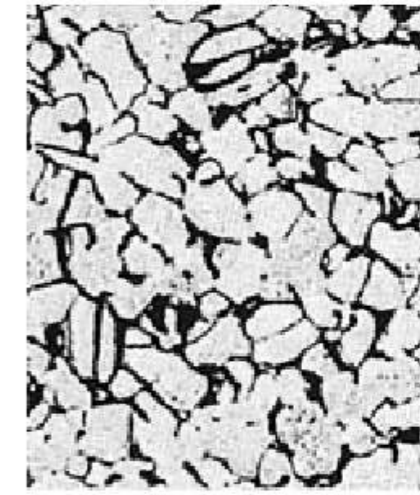
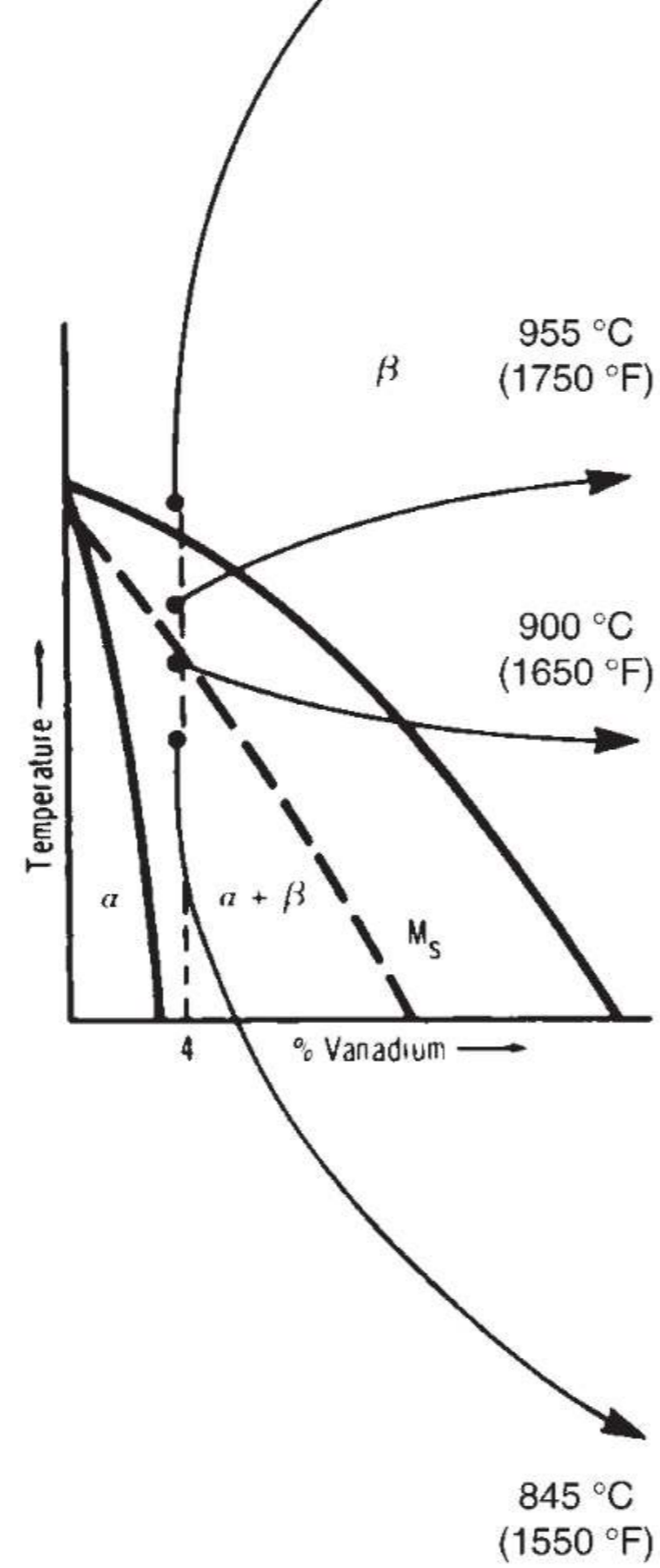
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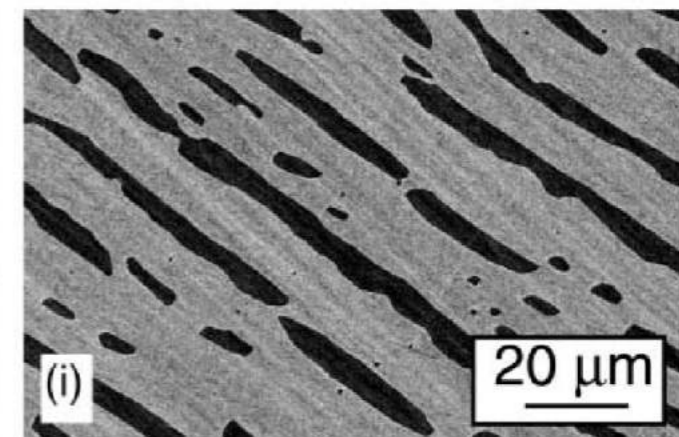
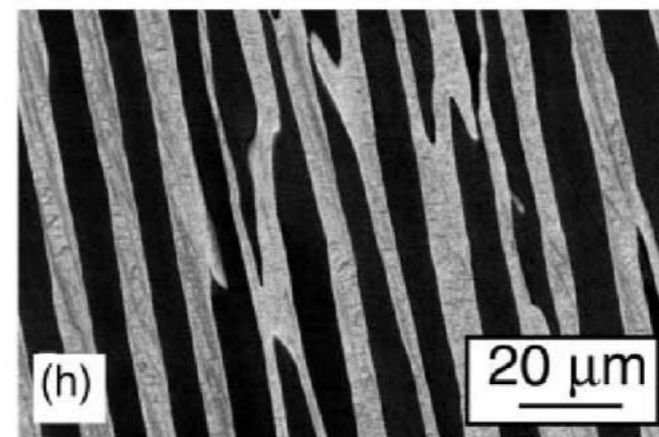
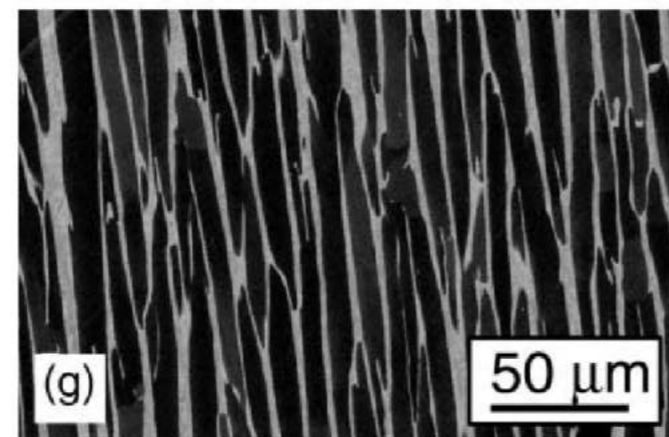
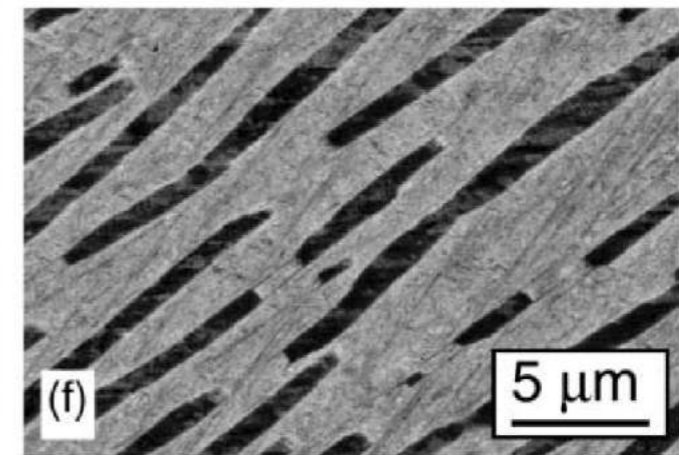
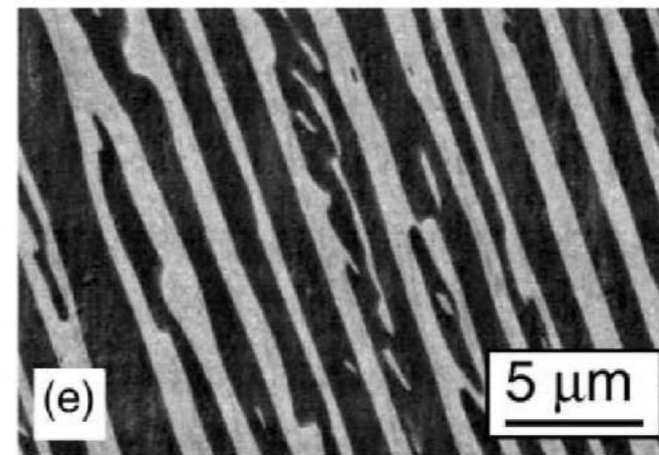
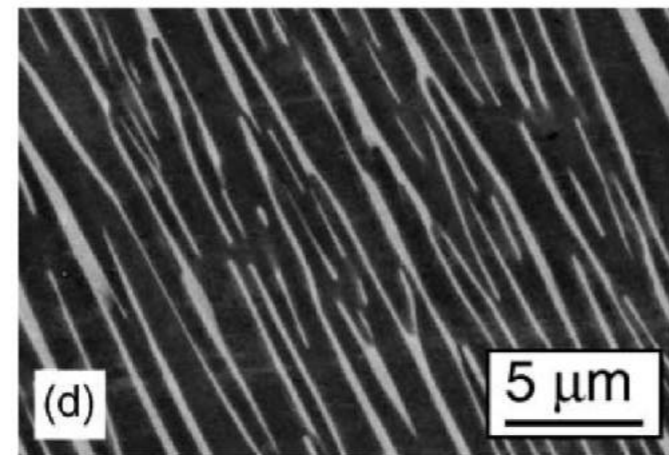
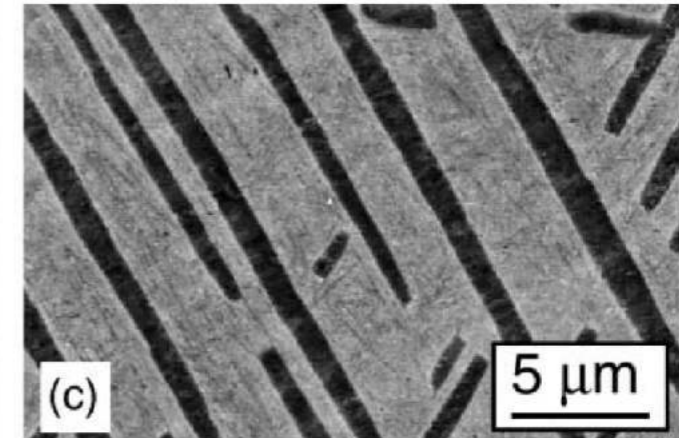
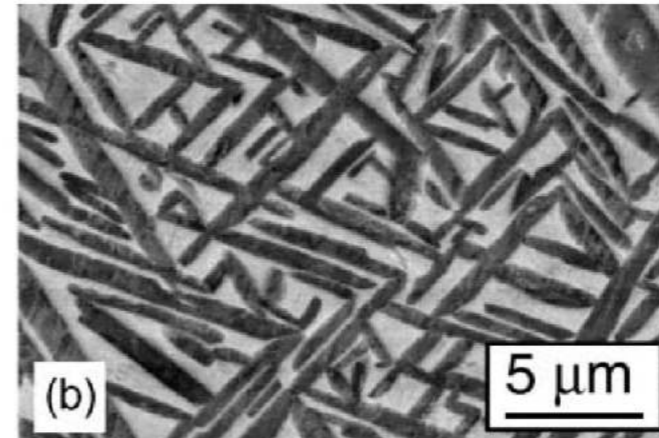
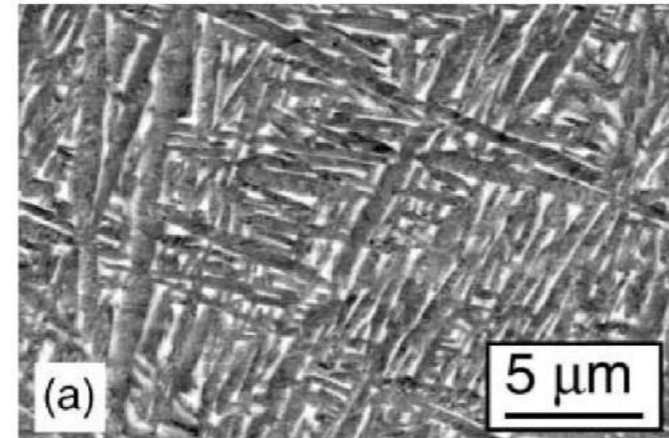
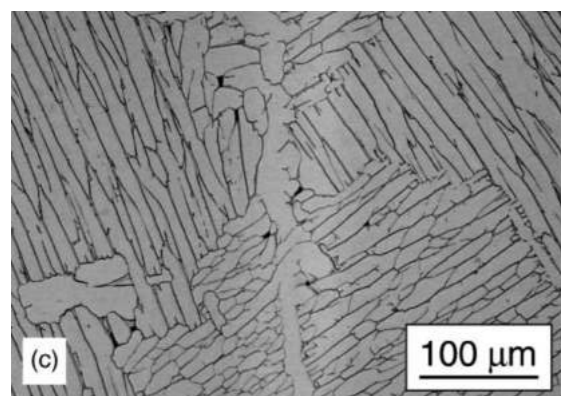
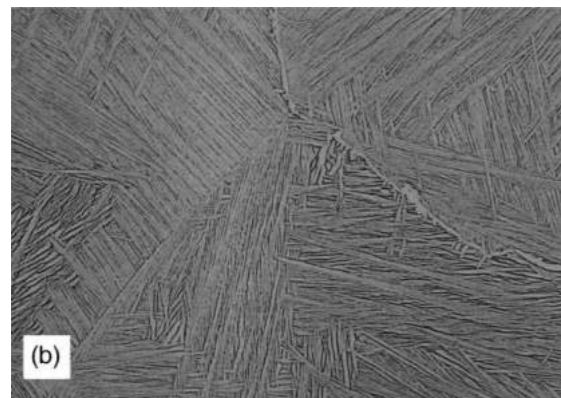
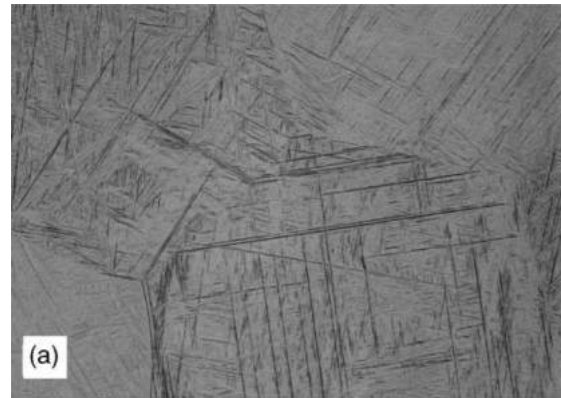
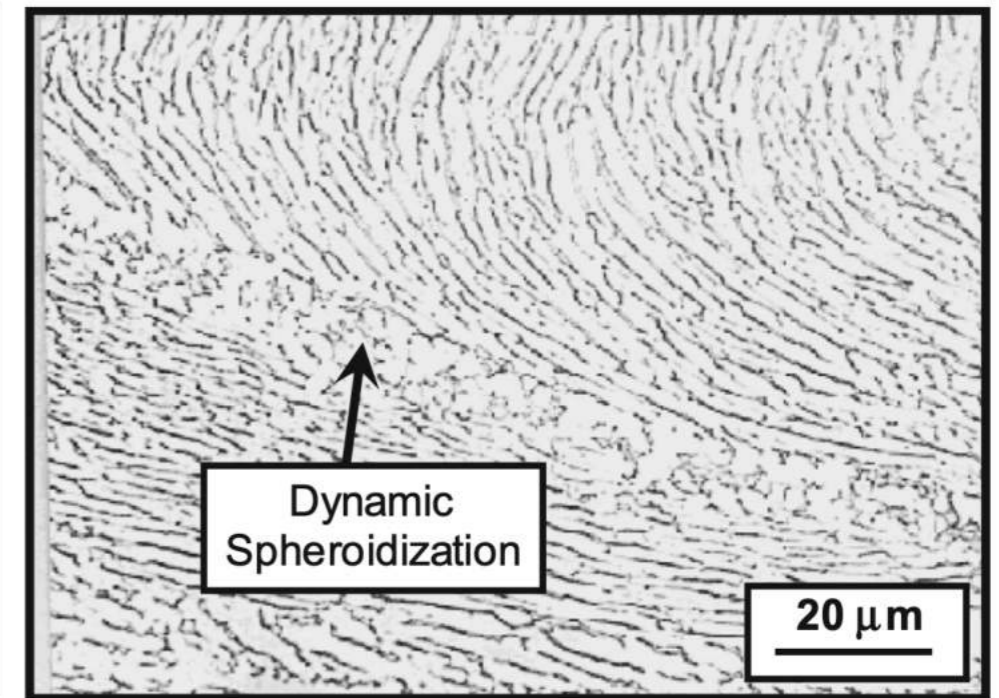
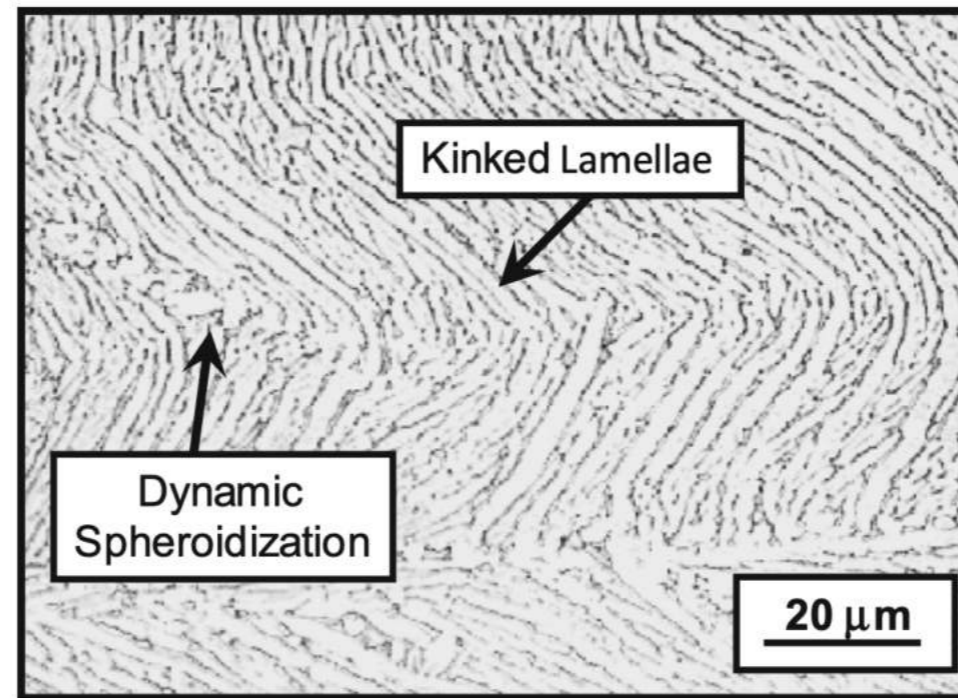
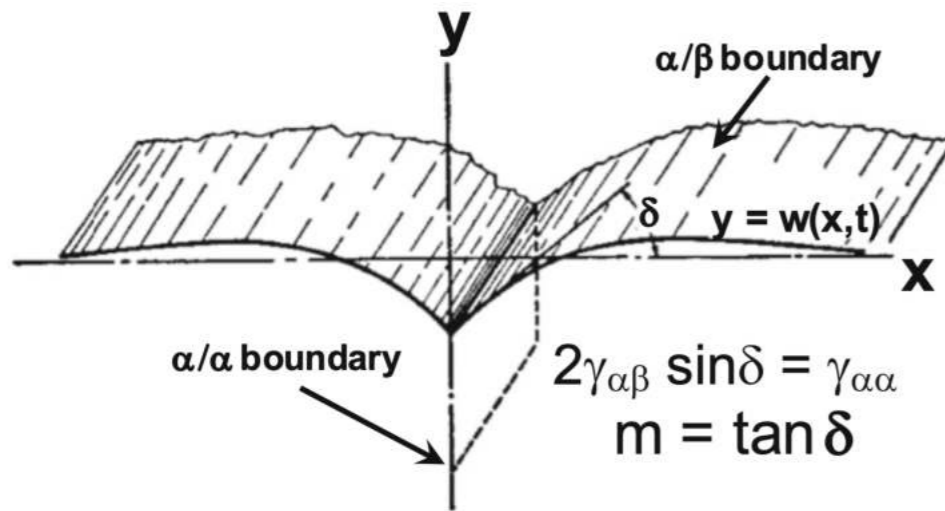


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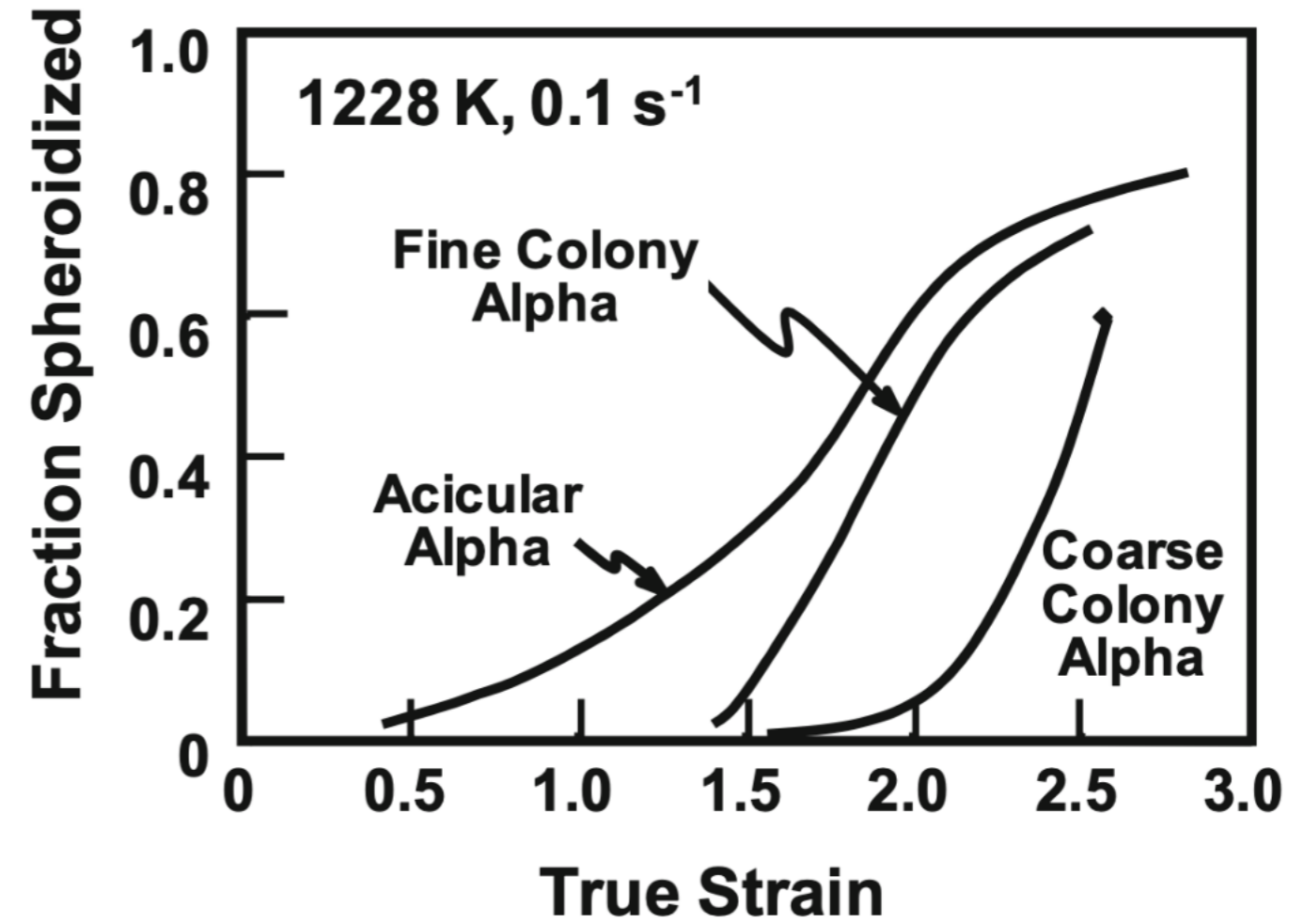
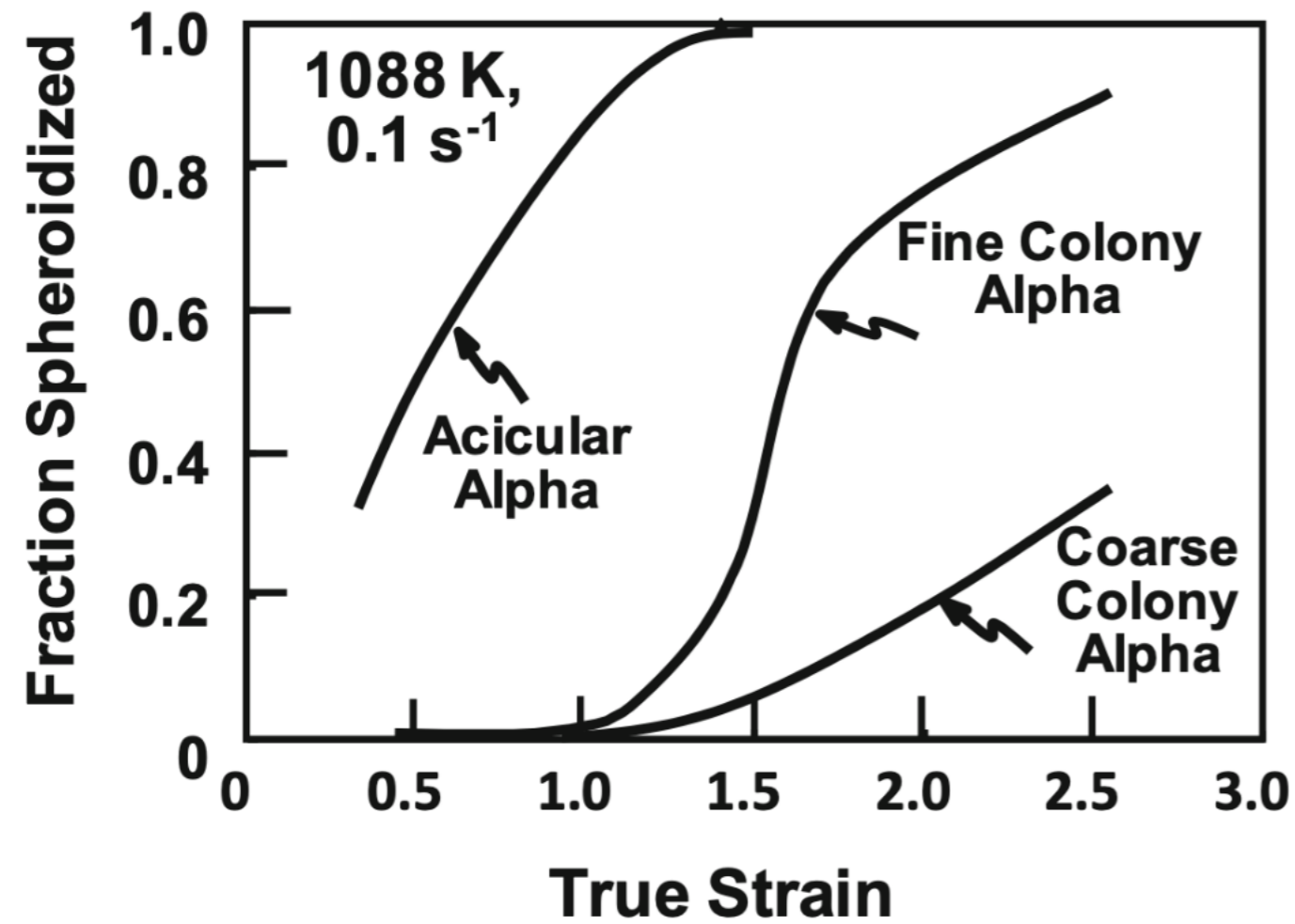
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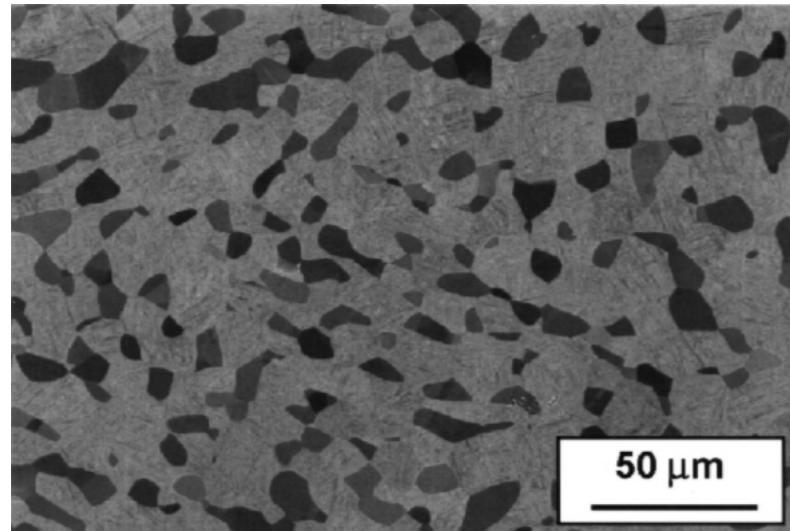
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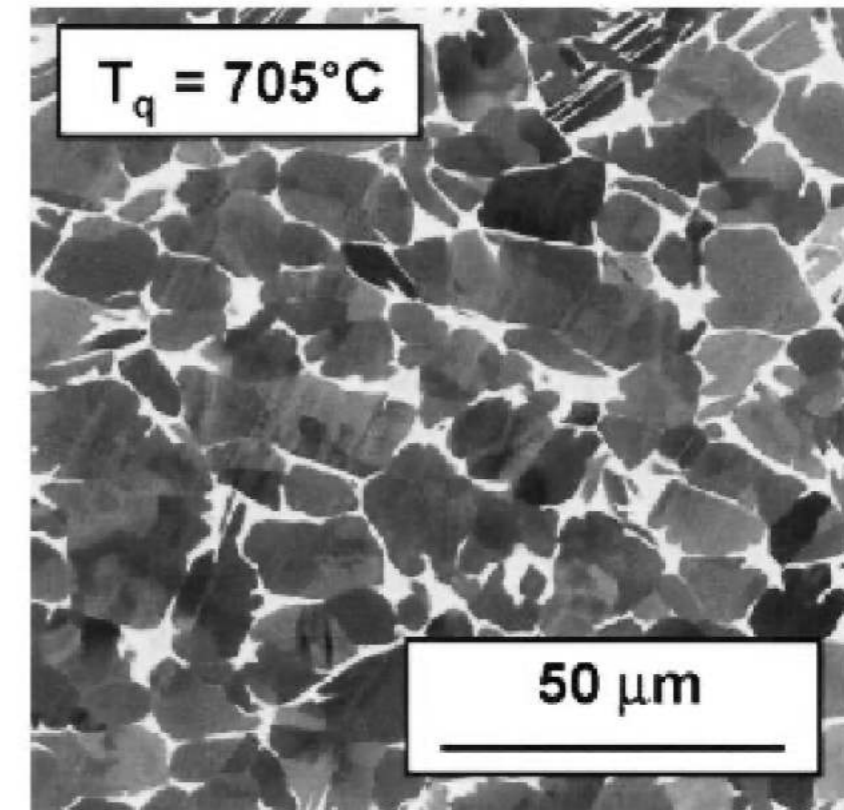
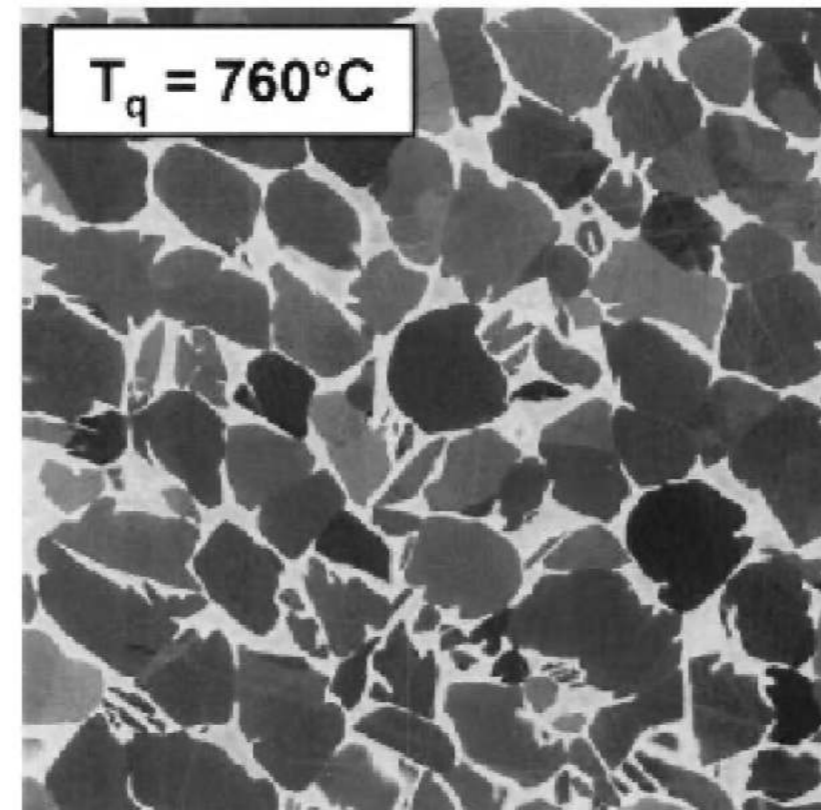
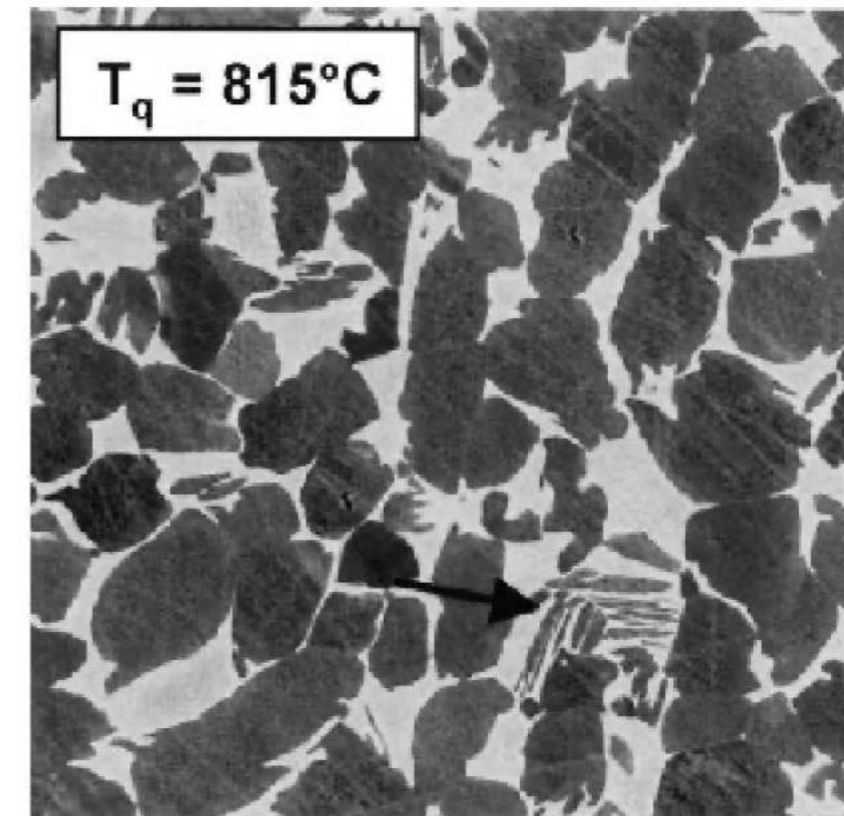
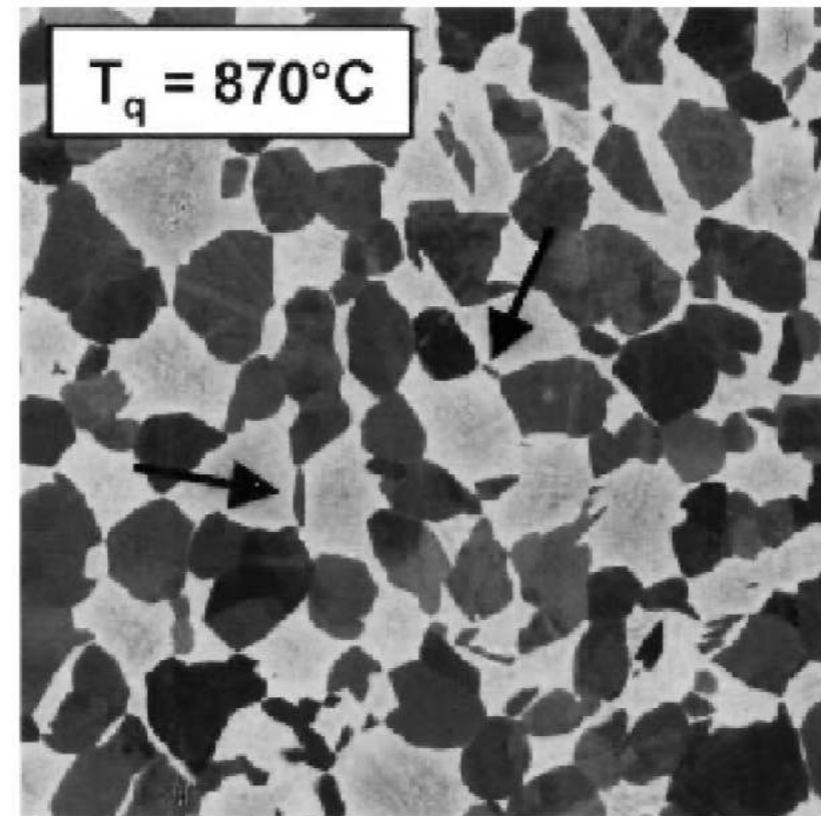
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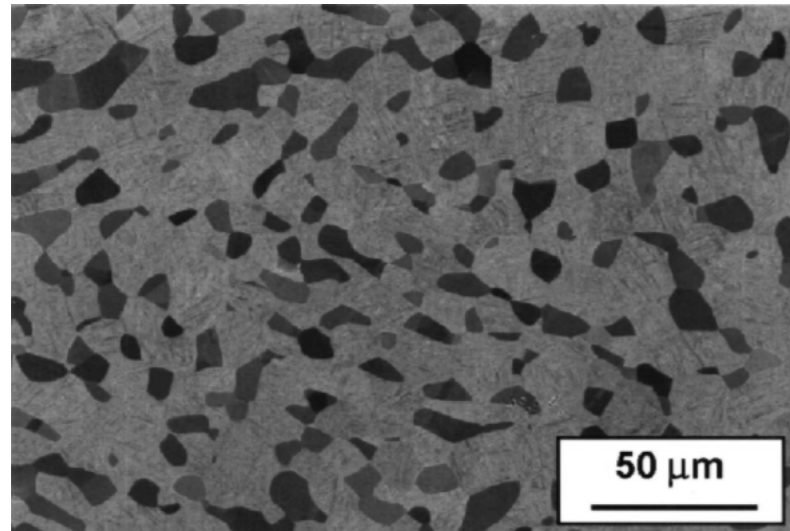


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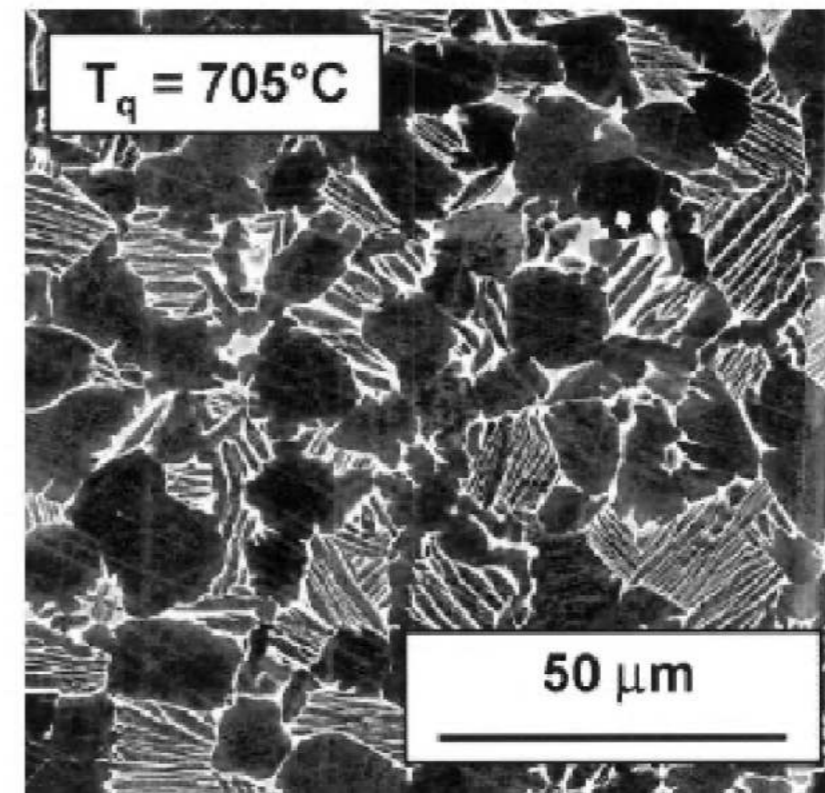
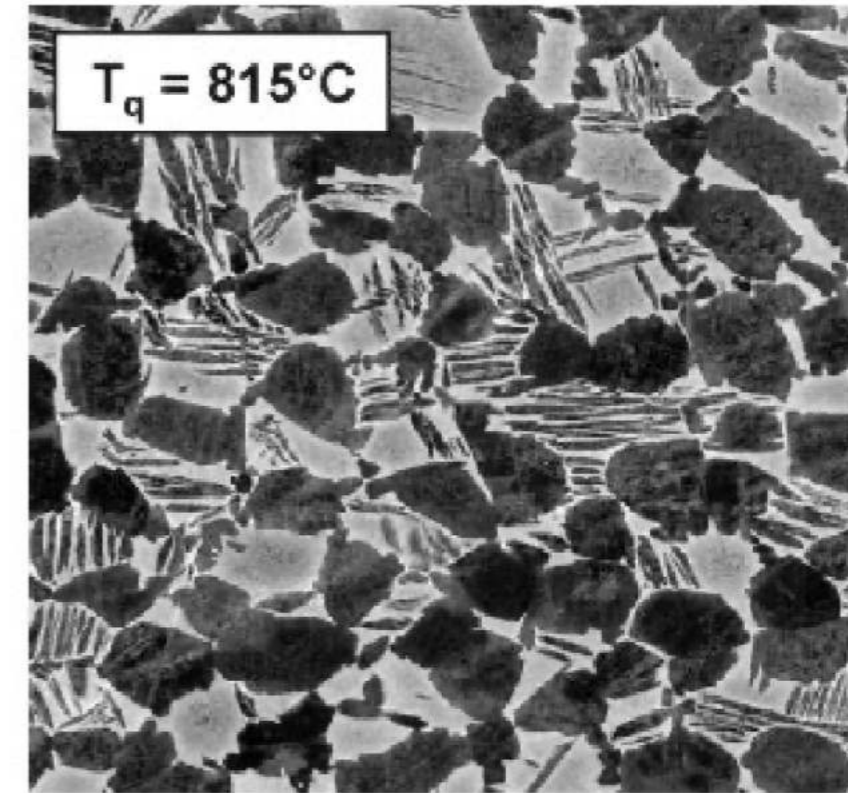
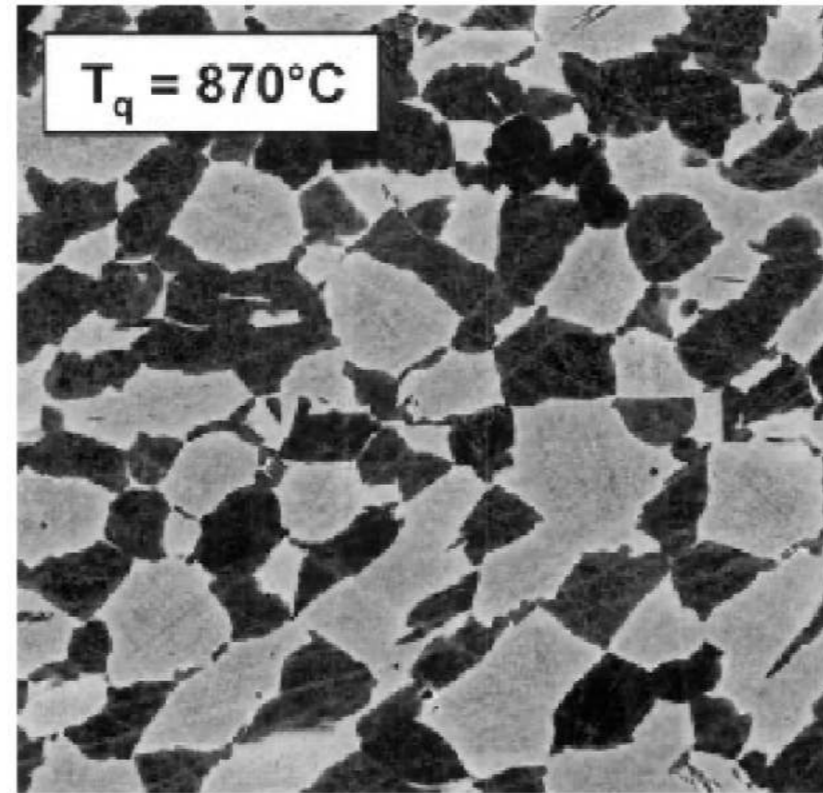


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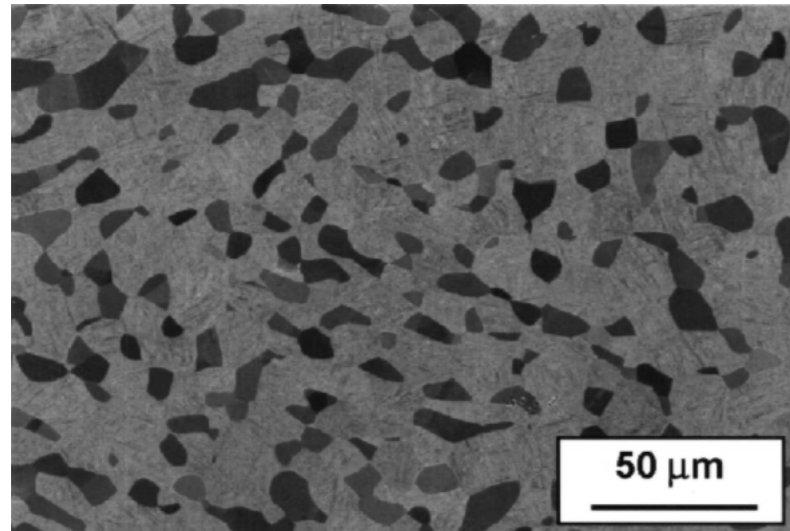


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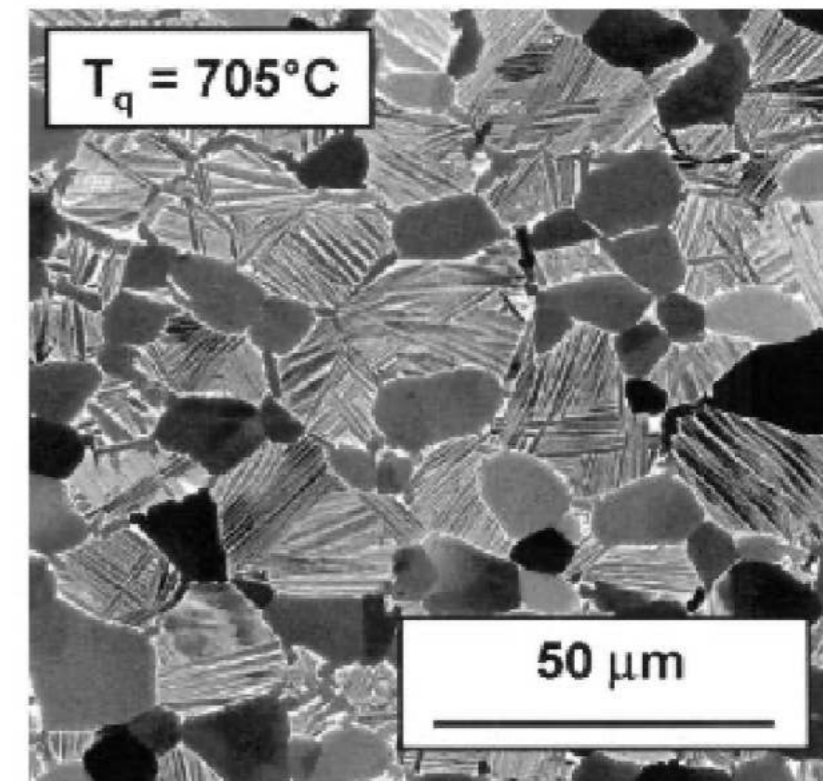
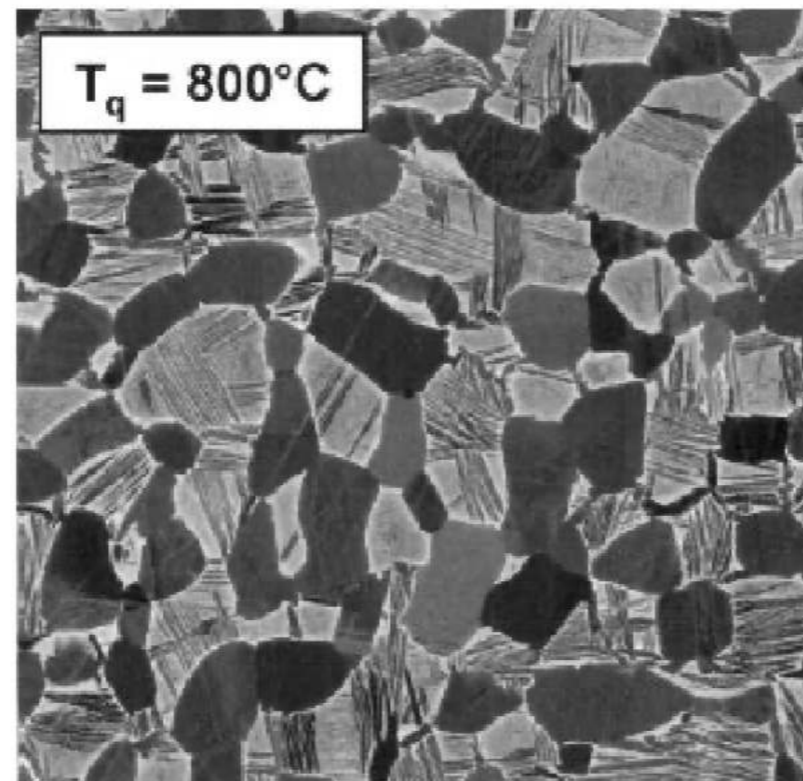
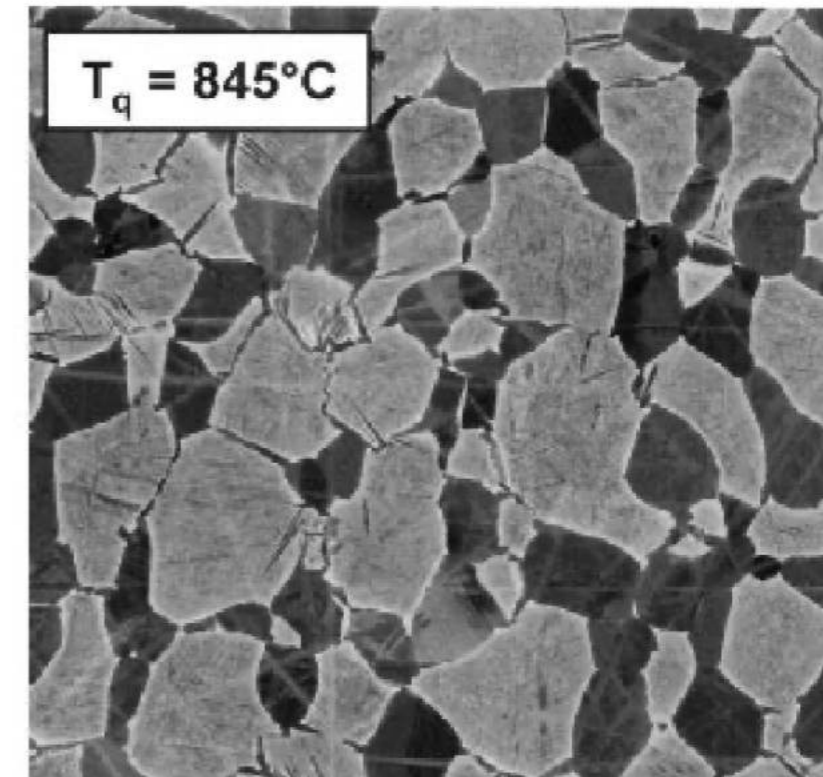
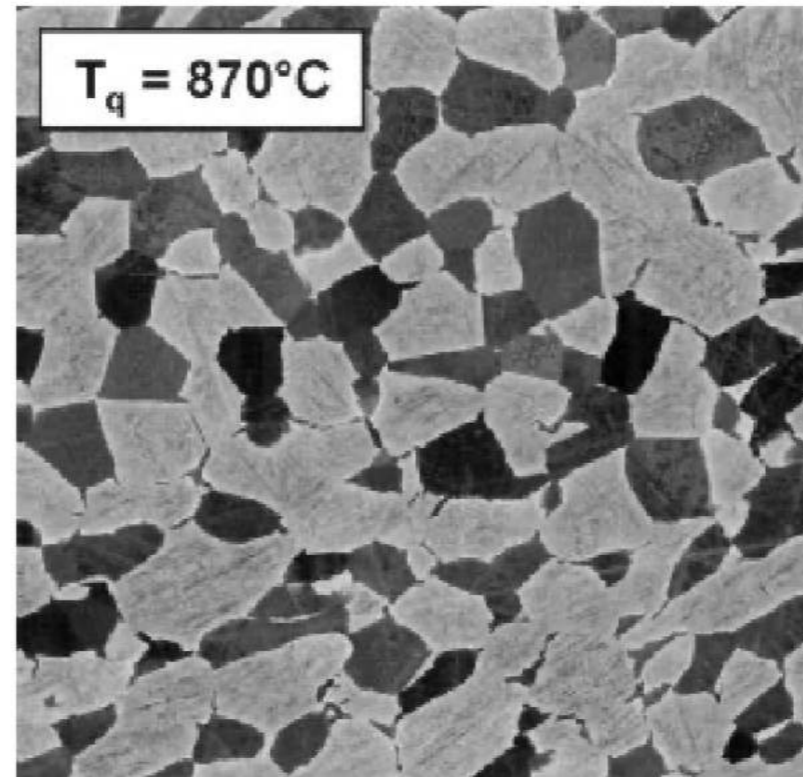


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