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# ***Development of Spallation-Resistant Coatings: Preliminary Results***

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# Project Overview

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- University of North Dakota Mechanical Engineering and the UND Energy & Environmental Research Center (EERC) are working with Siemens Power Generation to test a new method for joining high-temperature alloys for use in advanced high-hydrogen-gas-burning turbines.
- Will bond thin plates of oxidation- and spallation-resistant Kanthal APMT™ to high-strength CM247LC and Rene® 80 using evaporative metal (EM) bonding.
- Bonded parts, with and without thermal barrier coatings (TBCs), will be tested for oxidation, corrosion, and spallation resistance.

# Alloy Compositions

## Composition of Kanthal APMT in wt % – Dispersion-Strengthened

	Cr	Al	Mo	Mn	Si	Fe
APMT	22	5	3	0.4	0.7	Bal.

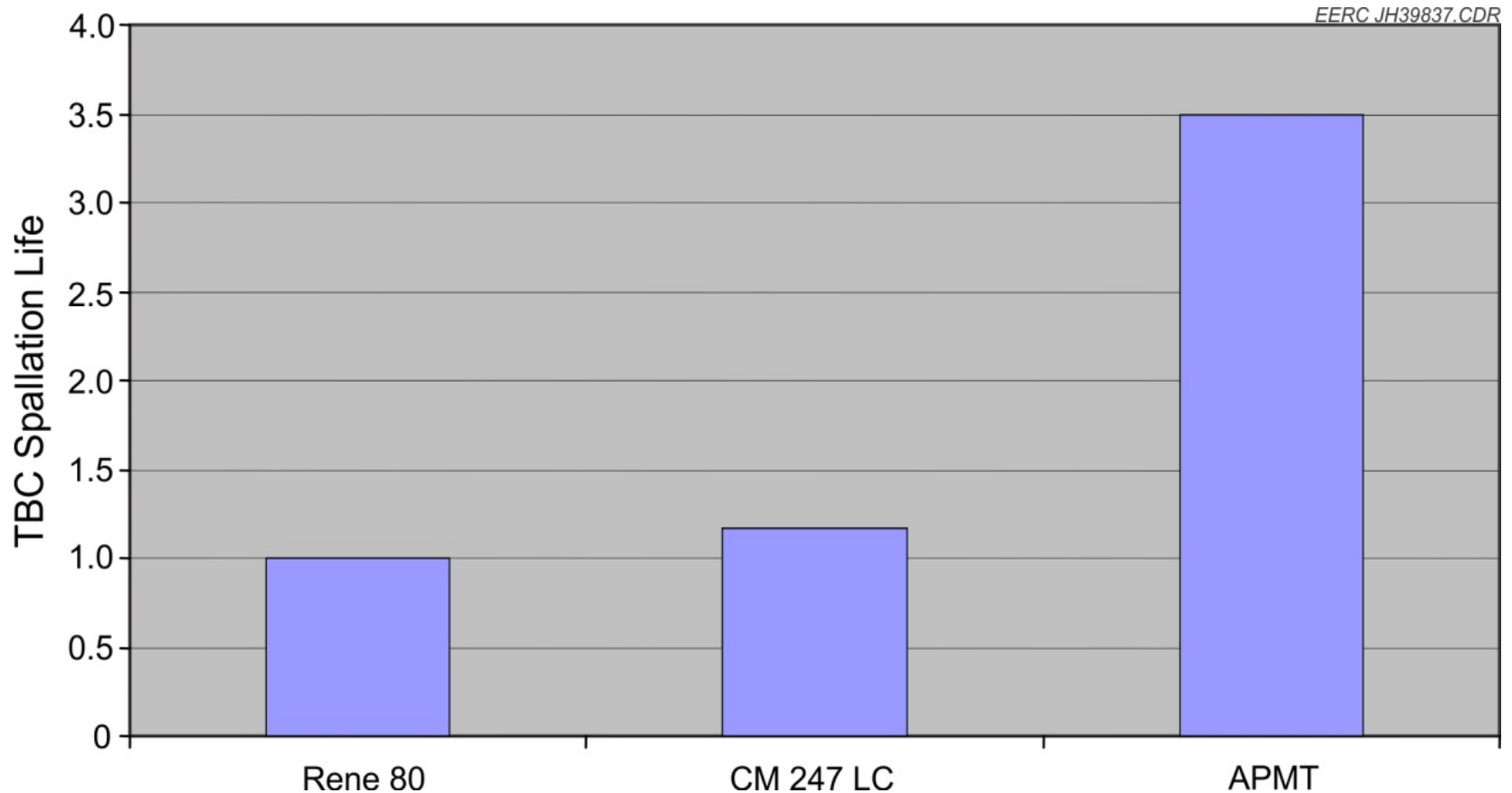
## Composition of CM 247 LC in wt % – Gamma Prime-Strengthened

	Fe	Ni	Cr	Al	Ti	Co	Mo	Ta	W	Nb	Hf	Mn	Si
CM247LC	–	Bal.	8.1	5.6	0.7	9.5	0.5	3.2	9.5	0.1	1.4	–	–

## Composition of Rene 80 in wt% – Gamma Prime-Strengthened

	Cr	C	Mo	W	Ti	Nb	Co	Al	B	Fe	Zr	Ni
Rene 80	14.2	0.16	4.0	4.1	5.1	0.03	9.4	3.0	0.02	0.10	0.04	Bal.

# Prior Work: TBC Spallation Lifetimes

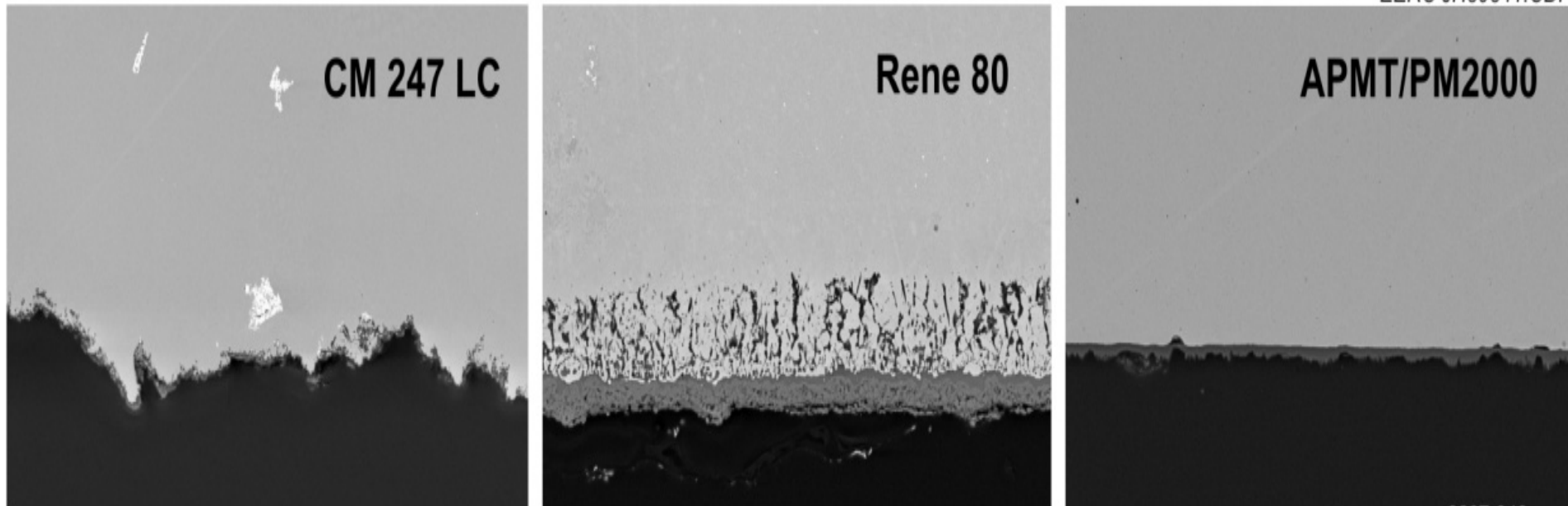


Testing at Siemens Energy Inc. shows that the spallation lifetime of TBCs on APMT is three times that of a similar coating on Rene 80 or CM247LC.

# Prior Work: Alloy Oxidation Rates

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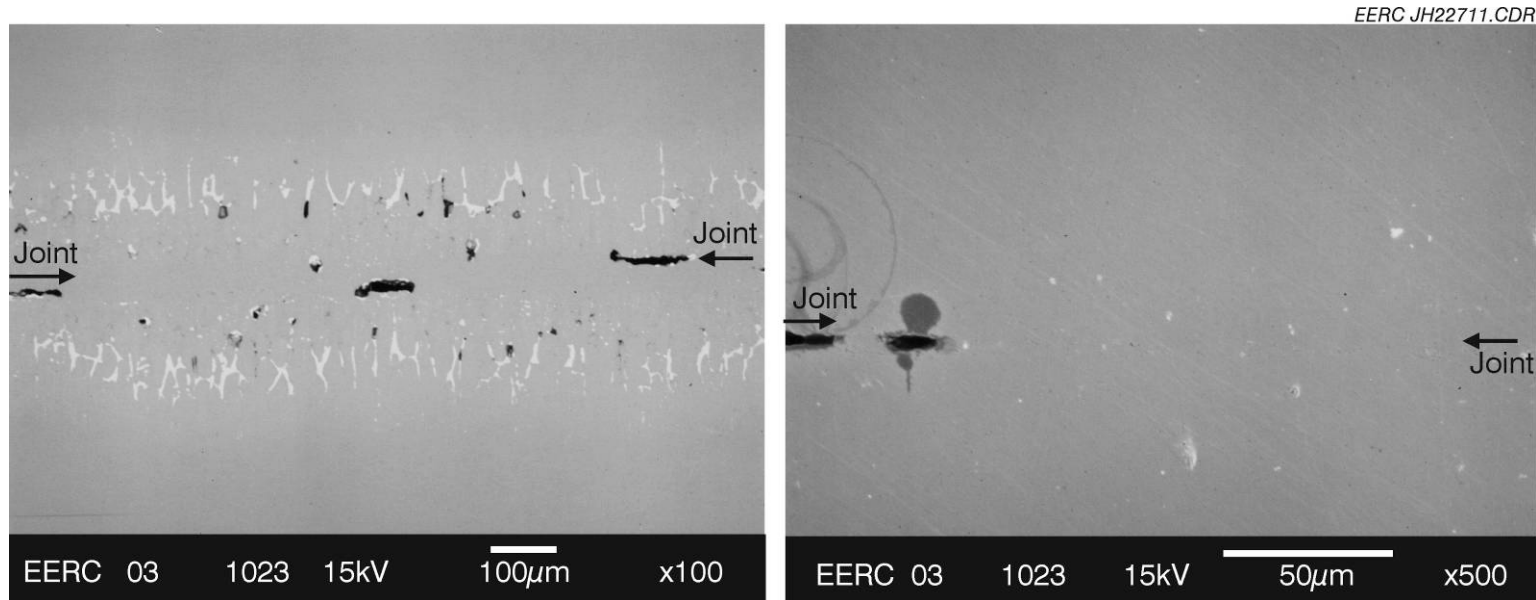
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The oxidation rate of APMT is much lower than for CM247LC or Rene 80.

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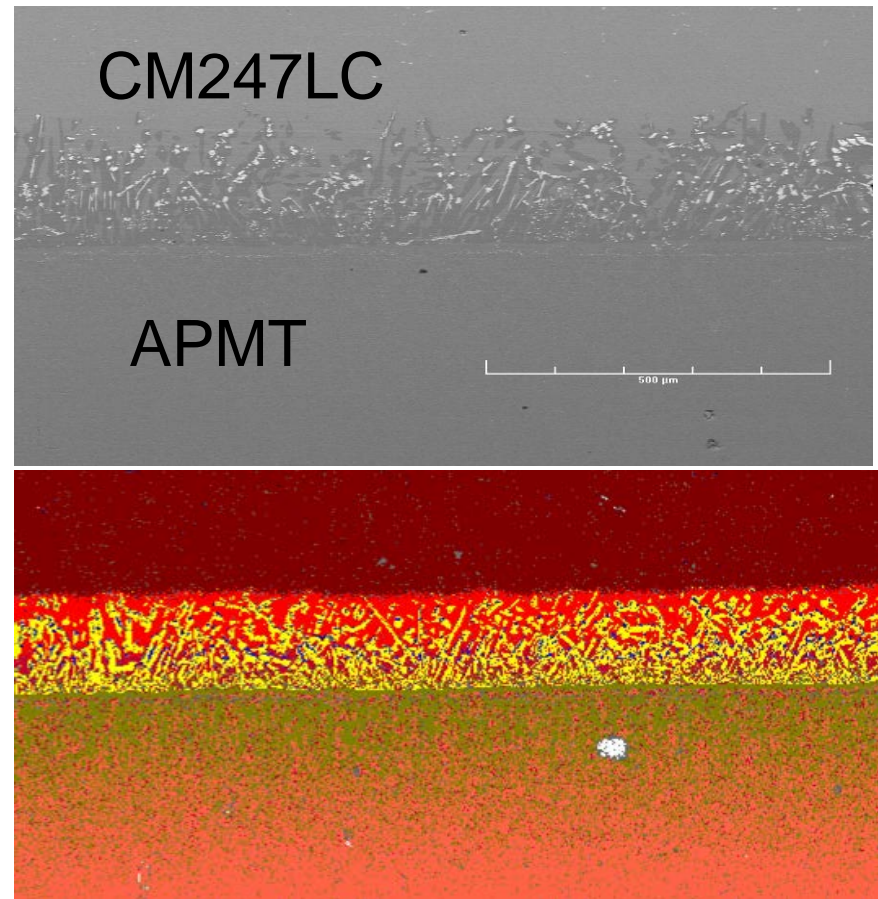
## Transient Liquid Phase (TLP) Bonding



- Welding of advanced alloys is not possible because critical structures are destroyed.
- TLP bonding uses a reactive braze that diffuses away from the joint.
- Bonding alloys need to have low melting points, be soluble, and not form intermetallics.
- Evaporative metal (EM) bonding is an alternative

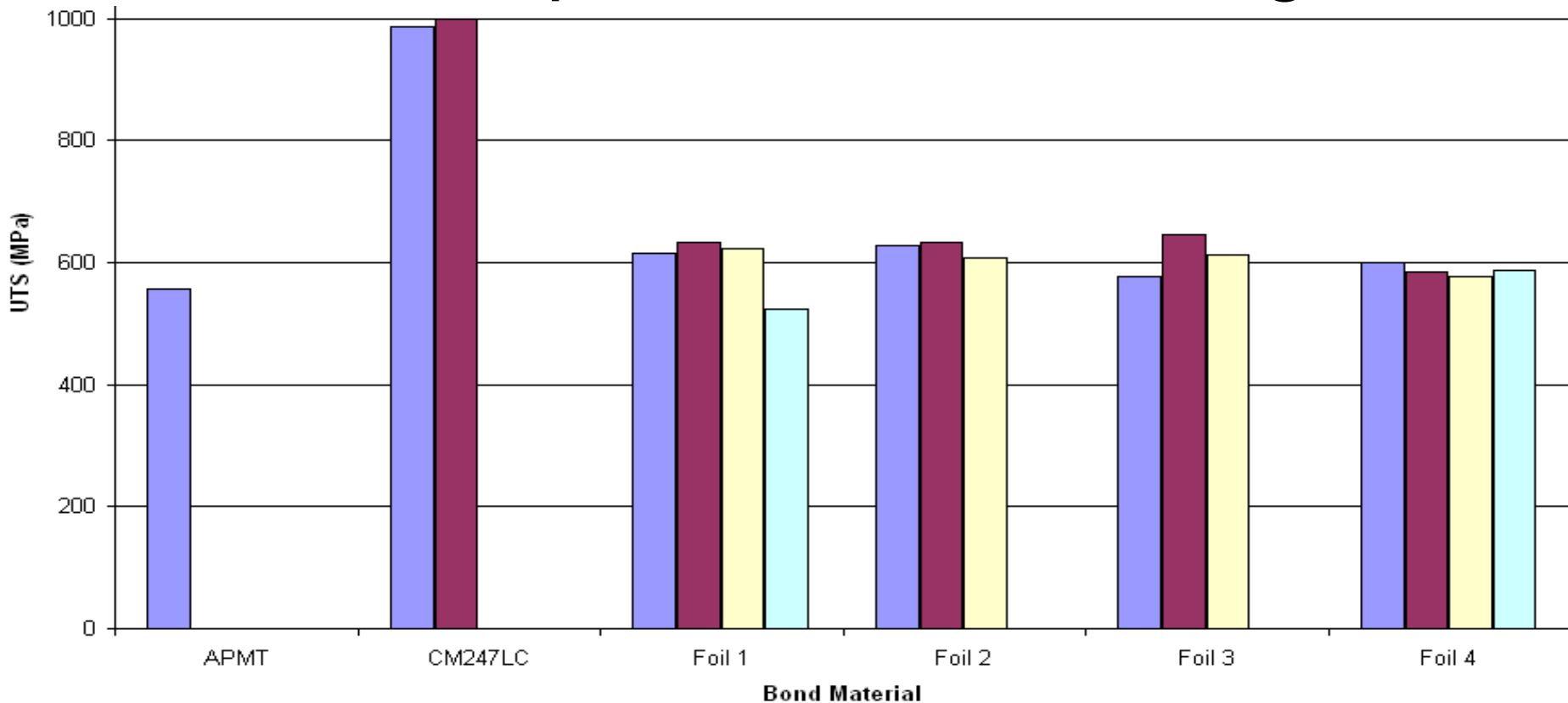
# Prior Work: Joining Complex Geometries

- Scanning electron microscopy photo top, x-ray map on bottom.
- Needle growth and interdiffusion create a joint stronger than the APMT.
- Nickel diffuses up to 700  $\mu\text{m}$  into APMT.
- Iron diffuses 200  $\mu\text{m}$  into the CM247LC.



# Prior Work:

## Room Temperature Joint Strengths

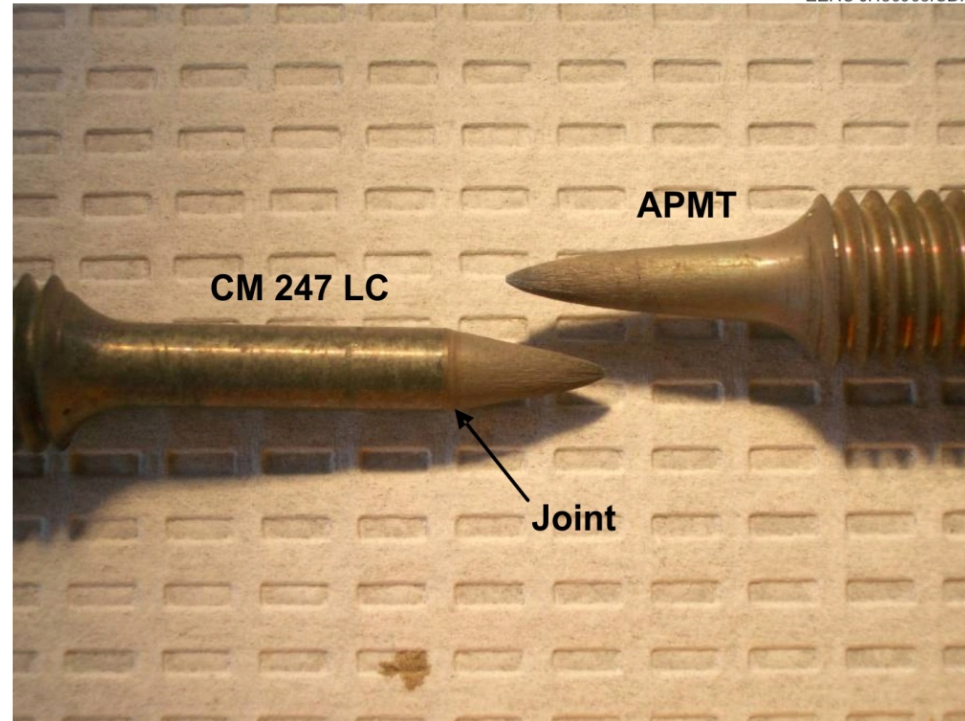


- Room-temperature ultimate tensile strength results for joints made with four joining alloys.
- All samples broke within the APMT, showing the joints are stronger than the APMT.



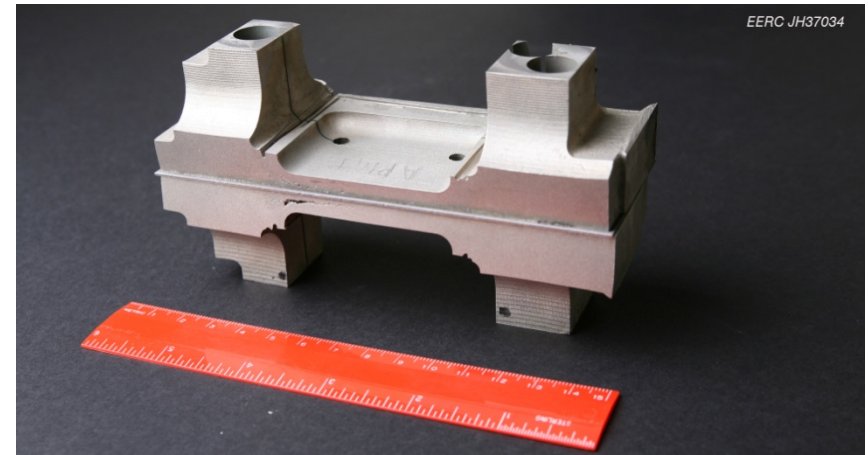
# Prior Work: 950°C Stress Rupture Test

- Stress rupture tests done at 950°C using 20 MPa, the 100-hour APMT rupture stress.
- Samples broke within the APMT, not the joint.
- APMT was much weaker than anticipated.



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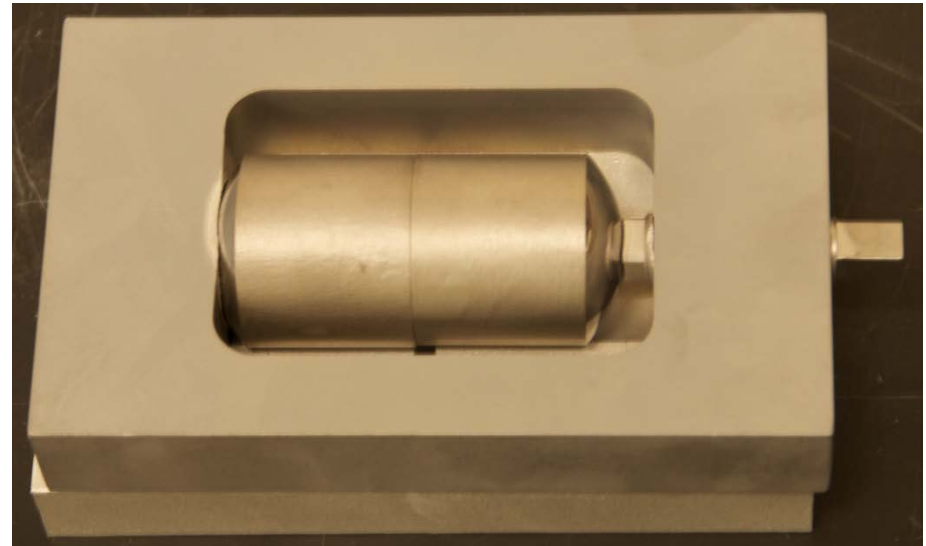
- Joined actual turbine ring segments of CM247LC with APMT sheet in between.
- Demonstrates the ability to cover large areas of superalloys with oxidation- and spallation-resistant APMT using EM bonding.
- Joints were stronger than the APMT.



# Articulated Clamping System

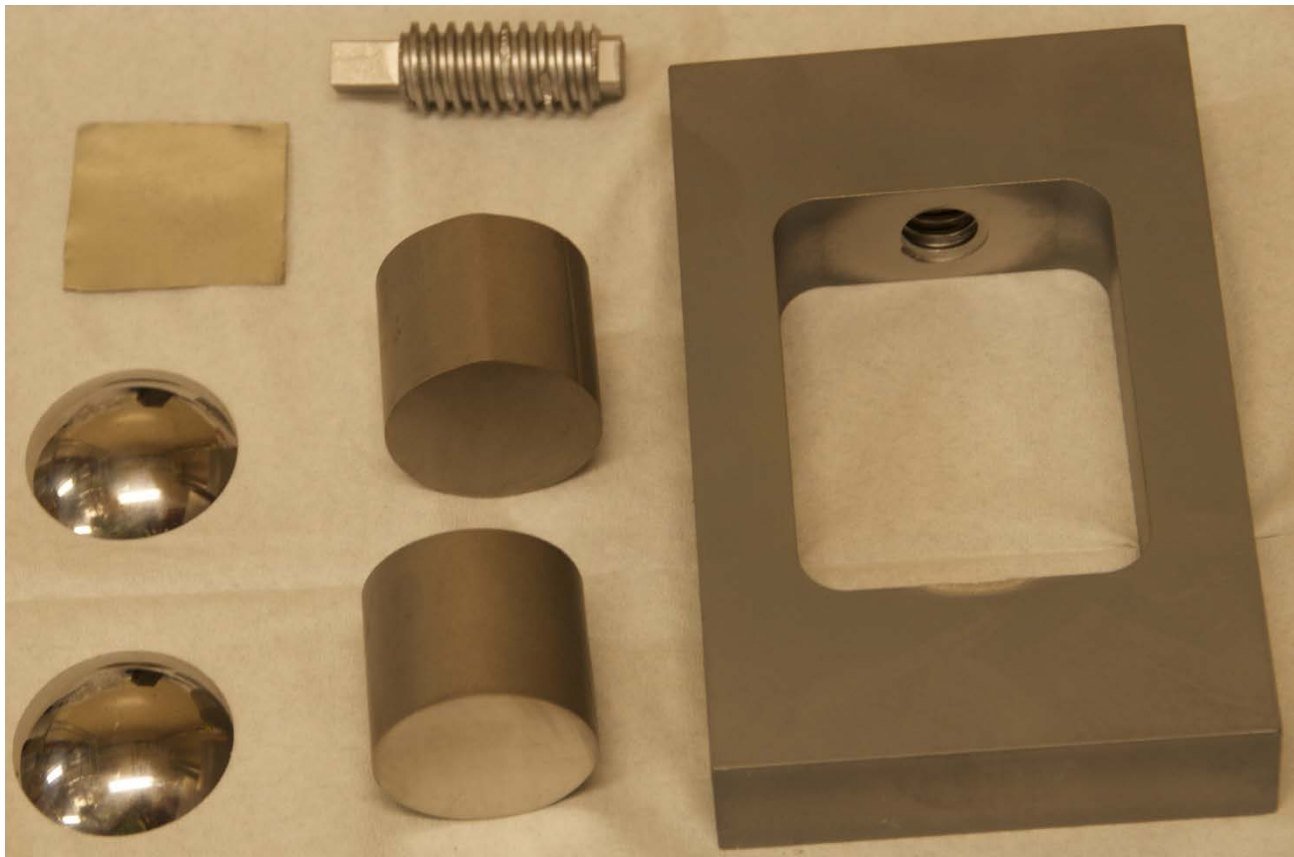
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- Specimens electro-discharge machined to shaped and then polished
- Bonding surface blasted with silica beads.
- Clamp made from low-CTE metal (Mo).
- Steel hemispheres (E52100) used to articulate the pieces, which is necessary because of the thinness of the foils. Steel used to facilitate modeling.
- Joints of APMT to CM 247 and APMT to Rene 80



# Articulated Clamping System

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- Task 1 – Determine diffusion rates of evaporative metal through APMT, CM247LC, and Rene 80 as functions of temperature.
  - Prepare bonded rods at different temperatures and times.
  - Cross-section bonded rods, and measure bonding metal concentration gradients.
  - Develop diffusion rate equations as functions of temperature.
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Elemental Map of Zn – CM 247 bonded at 1214°C for 1 hour (joint edge)

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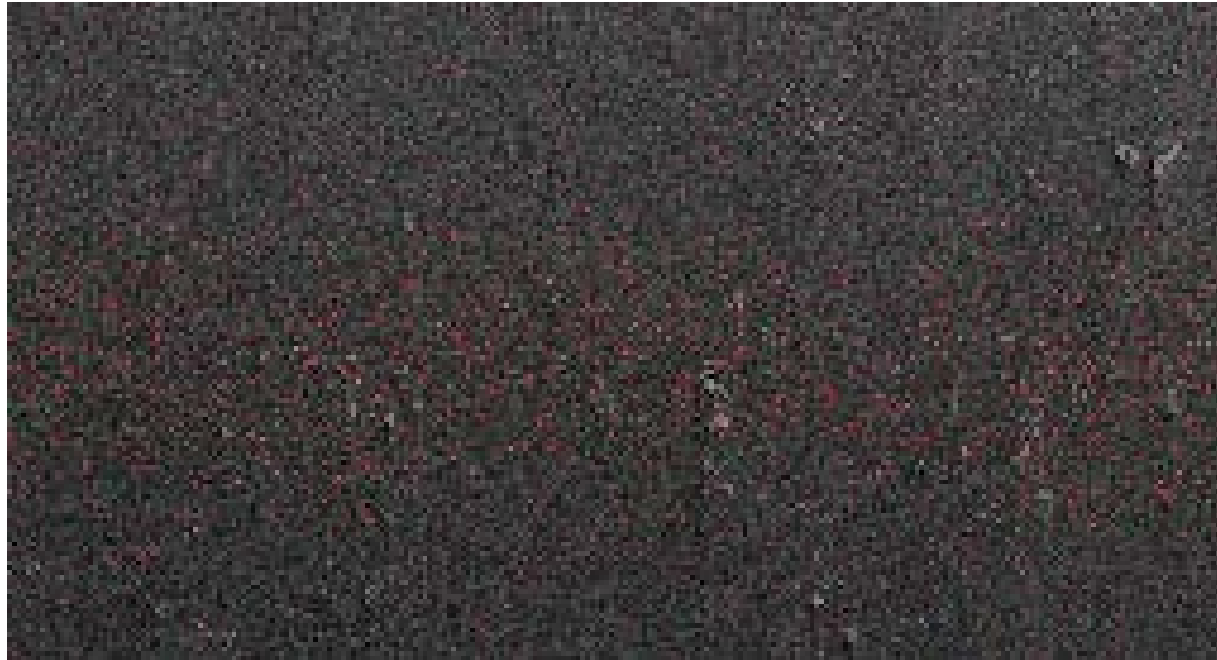


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Elemental Map of Zn – CM 247 bonded at 1214°C for 3 hours (joint center)



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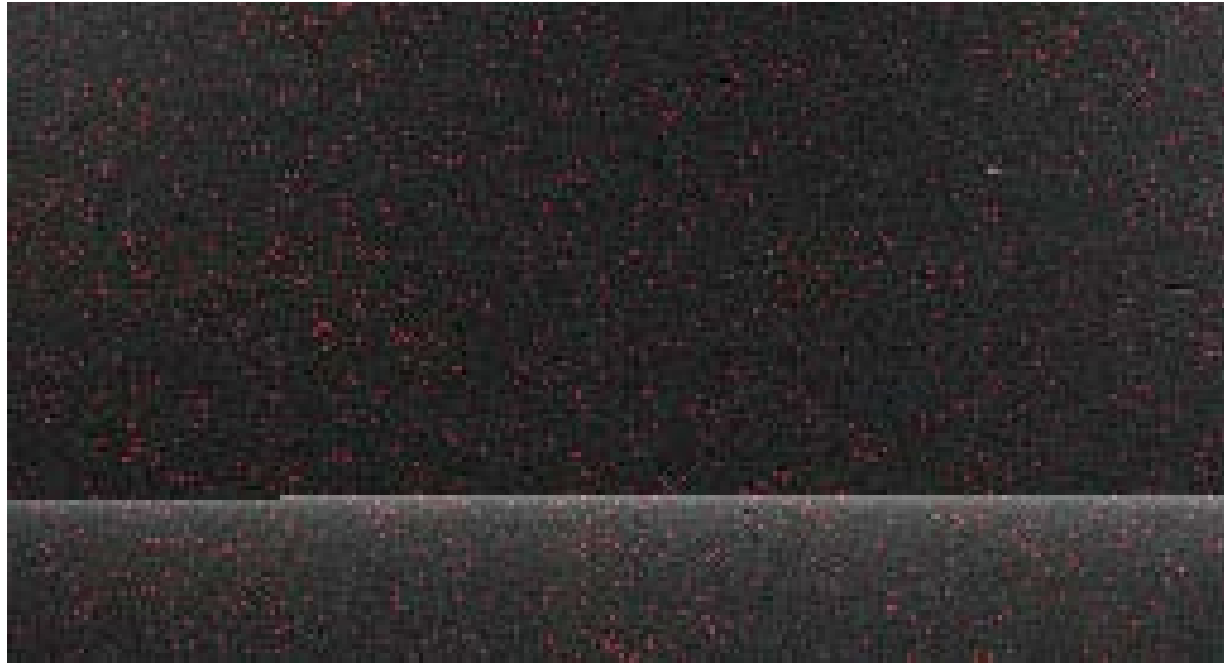


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Elemental Map of Zn – APMT bonded at 1214°C for 1 hour (joint center)

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Elemental Map of Zn – APMT bonded at 1214°C for 3 hours (joint center)

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Elemental Map of Zn – Rene 80 bonded at 1214°C for 1 hour (joint center)

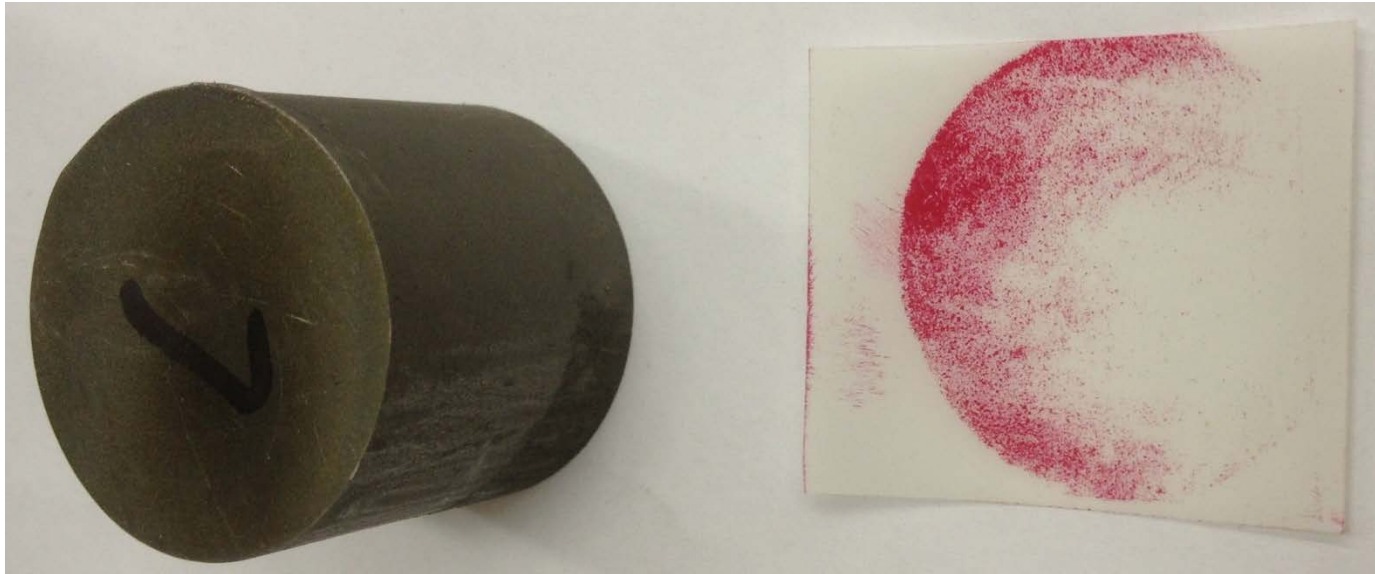
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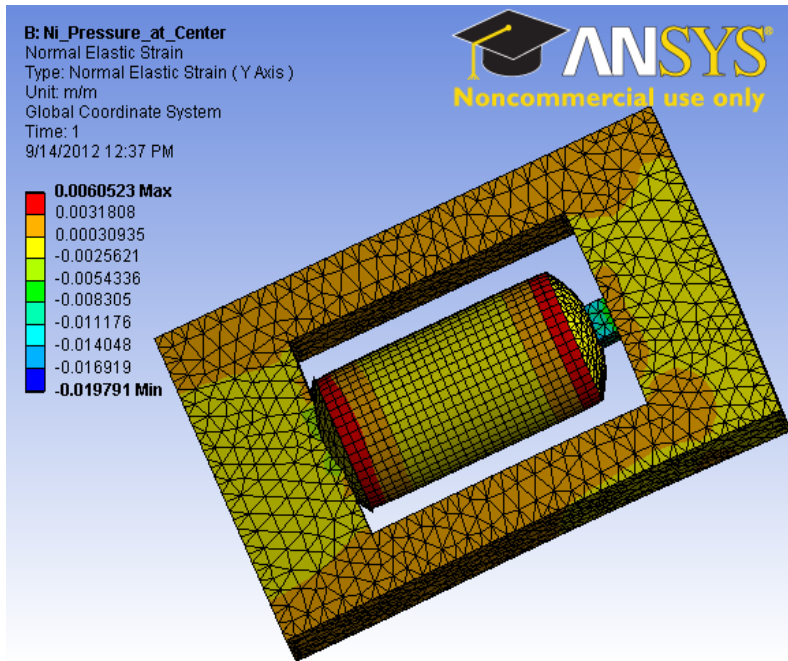
- Task 2 – Model bonding pressure distributions in complex joints.
  - Measure bonding pressures in actual joints.
  - Measure high temperature properties of substrate metals ( $E$ ,  $\alpha$ )
  - Model pressures at the bond line at temperature.
  - Design clamping system.
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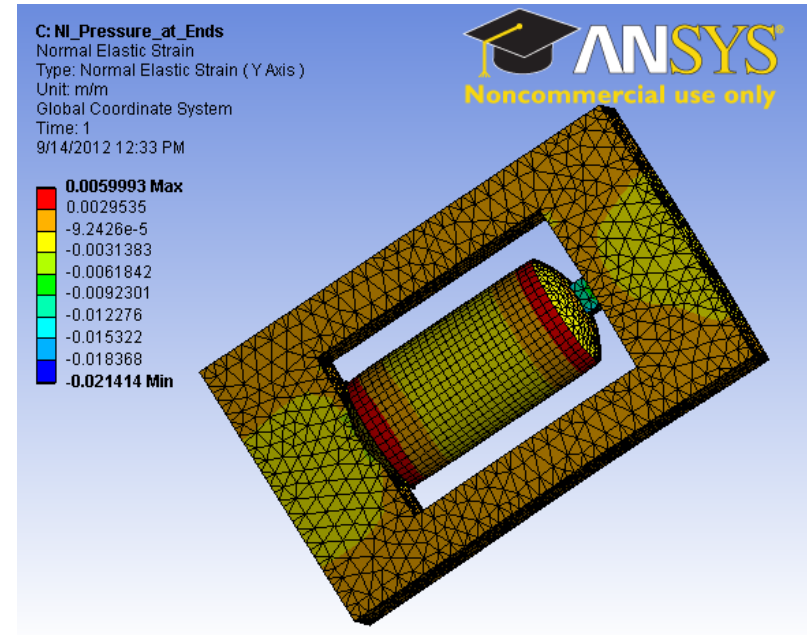
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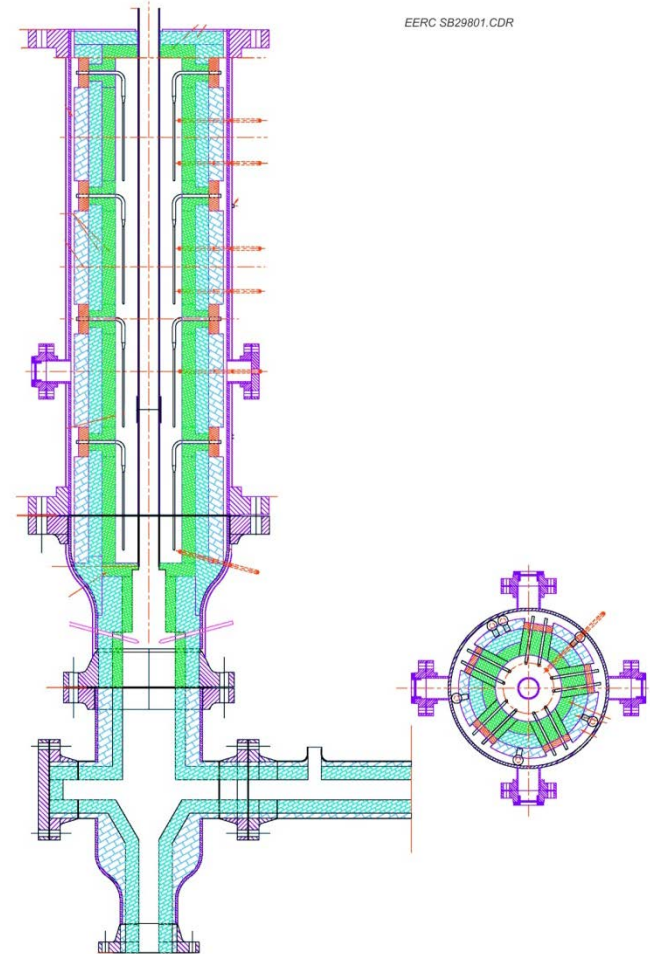
(b)

Comparison of strains in the bonding assembly when loads applied at a) joint center or b) joint ends.

# UTSR 2011 Award – Task 3

Task 3 – Characterization of combusted syngas contaminants.

- Information to be used in designing later corrosion testing – contaminants will not be similar to gasifier fly ash.
- Collection of microcontaminants in combusted syngas created in a pilot-scale gasifier.
- Analysis of captured microcontaminants by SEM.
- Data will be made available to other researchers.



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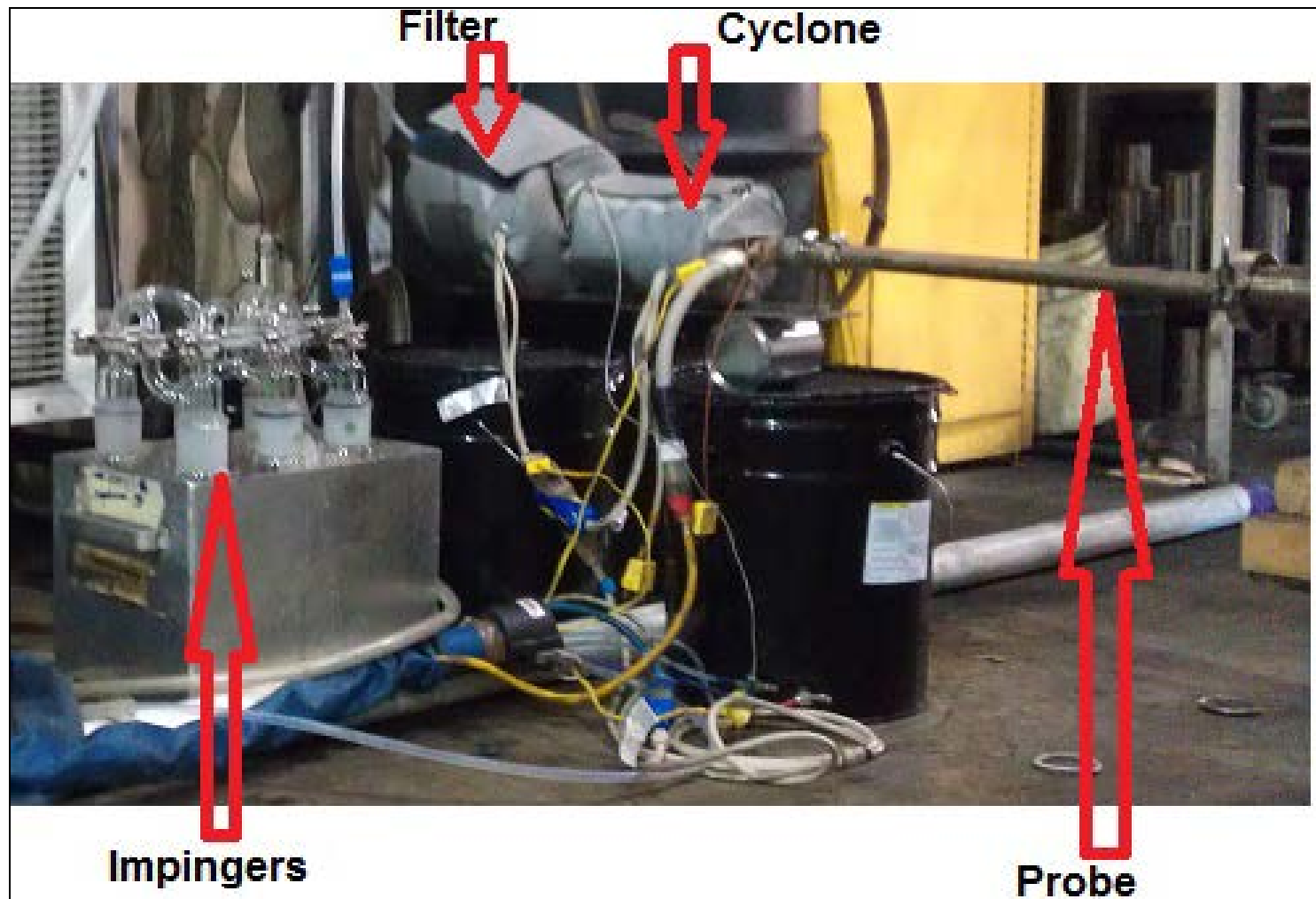
EERC entrained flow gasifier test rig



EERC fluidized bed gasifier test rig



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- Sampling method follows EPA methods 26A and 29
- Flow enters probe at about 750°C and cools to 100°C
- Flow passes through a polycarbonate filter (0.1 micron diameter holes)
- Flow enters water-filled impingers

Trace Metal	As	Be	Cd	Co	Cr	Mn	Ni	Pb	Sb	Se	Hg
LLQ (µg/L)	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.0	0.02
Conc.(µg/L)	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.4	8.2	63.80	7.53	0.76	0	1.1	0.99
Conc.(µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.12	0.06	0.06	0.12	2.39	18.58	2.19	0.22	0	0.32	0.29

Trace Metal	K	Mg	Ca	Na	Fe	Ti	V	Mo	Zn	Ge
LLQ (µg/L)	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Conc.(µg/L)	140	128.8	670.4	243.5	354.6	15.84	0.777	3.959	13.42	1.881

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Spectrum	O	Si	S	Cr	Fe	Ni	Total
Spectrum 1	63.83	3.74	18.98	2.06	11.40		100.00
Spectrum 2	62.65	2.68	19.45	2.01	12.15	1.06	100.00
Spectrum 3	70.25		17.28		12.47		100.00
Spectrum 4	65.51	3.26	18.11	2.54	10.58		100.00
Spectrum 5	72.48		17.11		10.41		100.00
Max.	72.48	3.74	19.45	2.54	12.47	1.06	
Min.	62.65	2.68	17.11	2.01	10.41	1.06	

## Composition of 316L Stainless Steel in wt % (max)

C	P	S	Cr	Al	Mo	Mn	Si	Fe
0.03	0.045	0.03	16-18	10-14	2-3	2	0.75	Bal.

# UTSR 2011 Award – Tasks 4-6

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- Task 4 – Preparation of APMT-plated superalloy turbine parts.
  - Use data from Tasks 1 and 2 to design clamping system and time–temperature heat treatment.
  - April 2013 – September 2014
- Task 5 – Environmental testing of plated turbine parts.
  - Oxidation and spallation testing at Siemens Energy.
  - Corrosion testing at the EERC.
  - October 2013 – September 2014
- Task 6 – Reporting (ongoing).

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