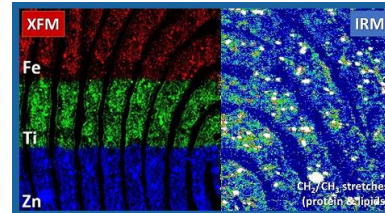


XRF analysis and imaging at XFM using GeoPIXE

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XFM Quantification in GeoPIXE

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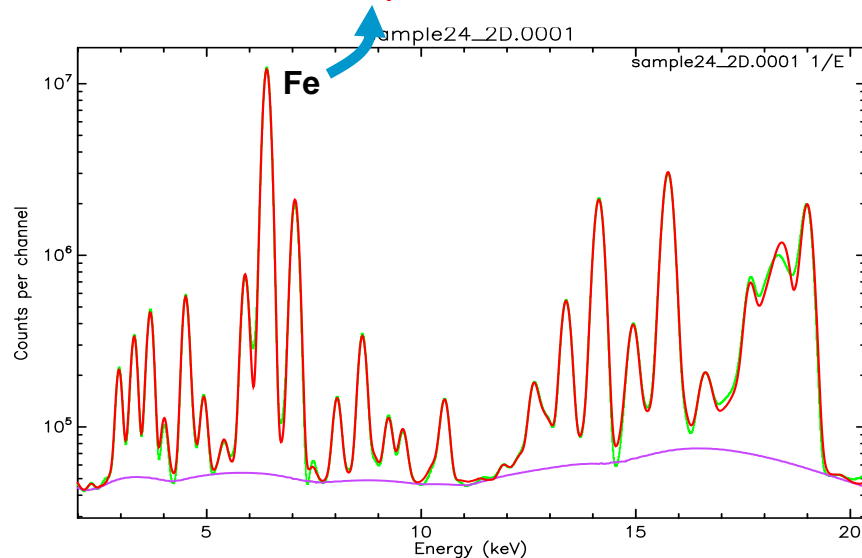
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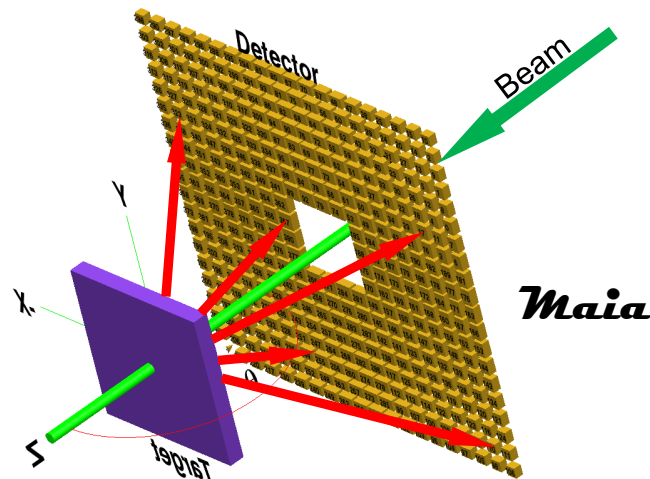
- Take-off angles to sample normal γ : 14° to 53°
 - Sensitivity to depth within sample
- Azimuthal angle (around beam) ϕ : 0 to 360°
 - Probe of internal structure in sample

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Dynamic Analysis

“Event mode” spectral deconvolution

How to apply detailed spectrum fitting to imaging?

SXRF (PIXE) Spectrum - linear combination of element spectra.

Linear least squares fit of function f_i to data S_i

→ solve equations (for each j):

$$\underbrace{\sum_k \sum_i w_i \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial a_j} \right) \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial a_k} \right) a_k}_{\alpha_{jk}} = \sum_i \underbrace{w_i \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial a_j} \right)}_{\beta_{ji}} S_i$$

for parameters a_k (X-ray peak areas ...).

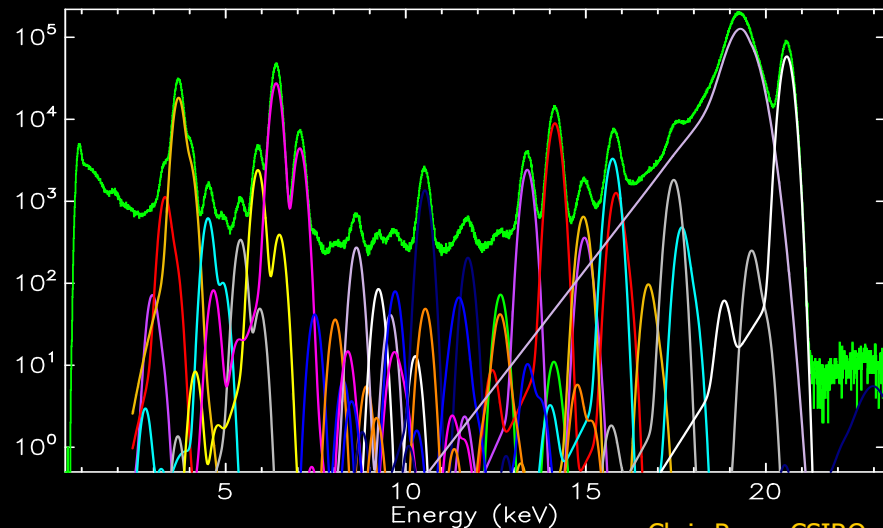
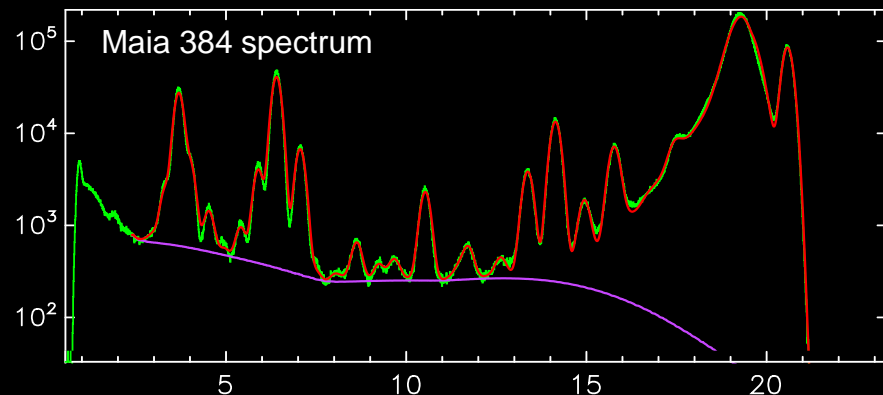
In matrix form:

$$\alpha \mathbf{a} = \beta \mathbf{S}$$

a matrix transform from spectrum vector \mathbf{S} to peak area (and background) vector \mathbf{a} :

$$\mathbf{a} = (\alpha^{-1} \beta) \mathbf{S}$$

in terms of a matrix $\alpha^{-1} \beta$, which is built from 'shape' functions.



Dynamic Analysis method

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SXRF (PIXE) Spectrum - linear combination of element spectra.

Peak areas a_k are related to elemental concentration C_k by

$$a_k = (\Omega \varepsilon_k T_k Q) \cdot Y_k \cdot C_k$$

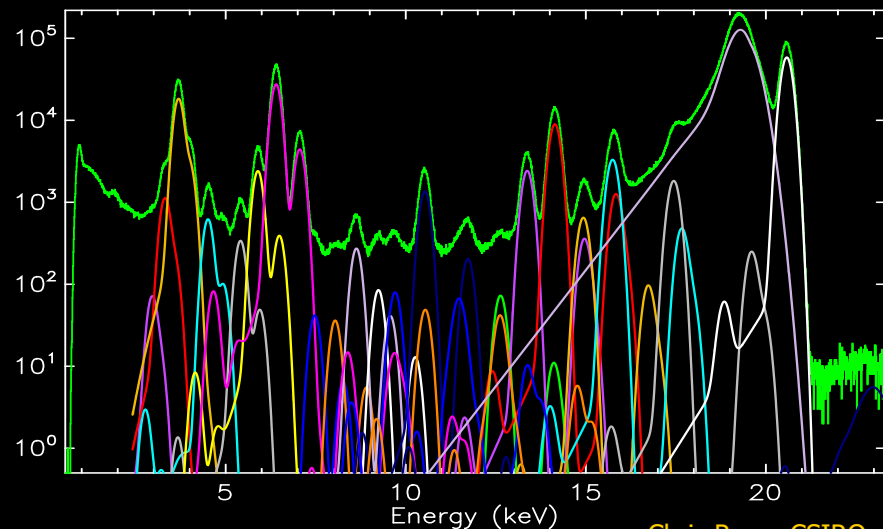
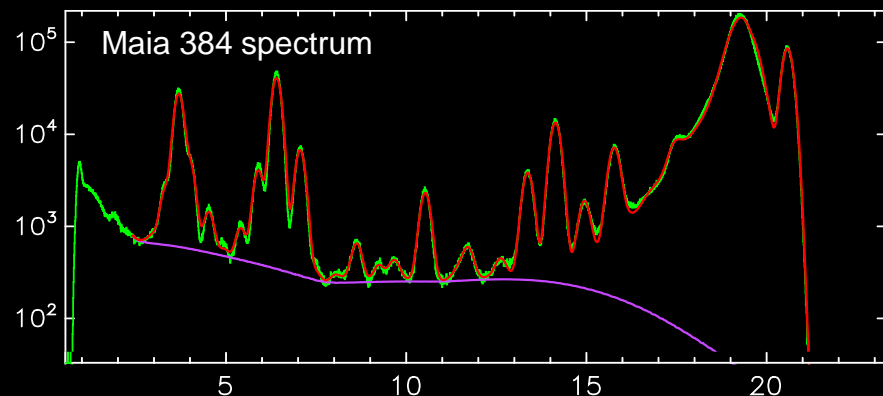
Ω	detector solid angle
ε_k	detector efficiency
T_k	filter transmission
Q	integrated beam charge/flux
Y_k	X-ray yields (assume uniform composition)

Therefore $\mathbf{a} = (\alpha^{-1}\beta)\mathbf{S}$ leads to a matrix transform from SXRF spectrum \mathbf{S} to concentration vector \mathbf{C} :

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \mathbf{\Gamma} \mathbf{S}$$

where the matrix $\mathbf{\Gamma}$ is given by:

$$\Gamma_{ki} = (\Omega \varepsilon_k T_k Y_k)^{-1} \sum_j \alpha^{-1}_{kj} \beta_{ji}$$



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... cast as a matrix transformation:

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Concentration vector

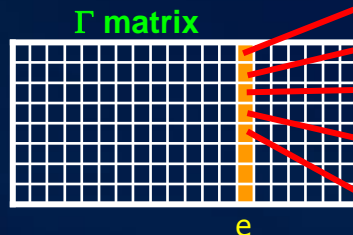
Transform matrix

Spectrum vector

PIXE and SXRF Imaging:

X-ray event: Energy 'e'
Position 'x,y'

selects column of matrix $\mathbf{\Gamma} \rightarrow$
increments to images at 'x,y'

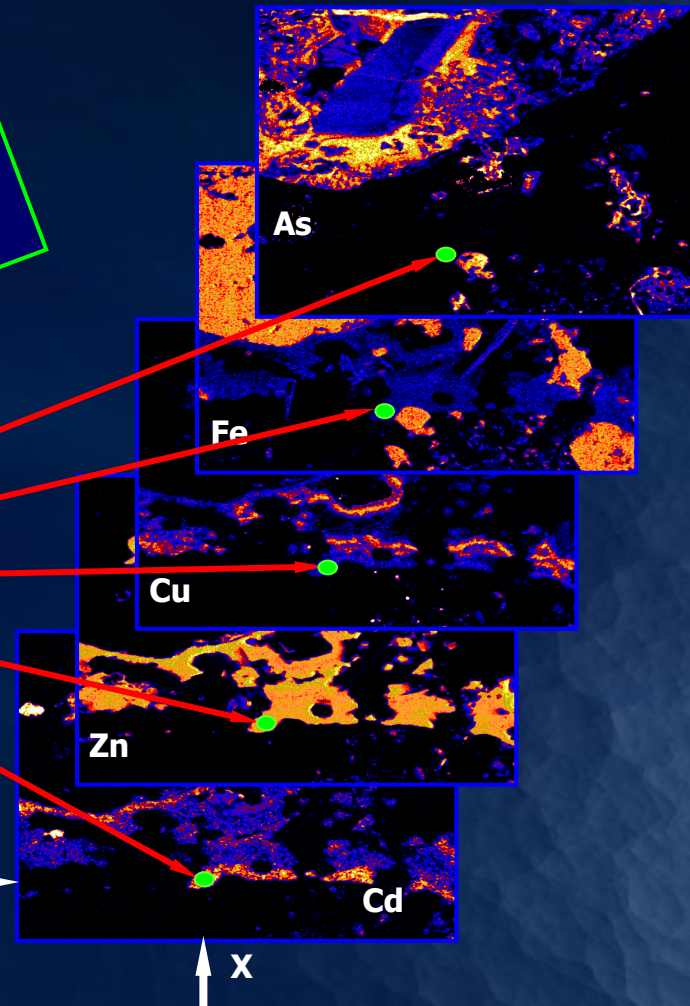


Mathematically identical
to linear least-squares fits
to each pixel spectrum, but
much faster
 \rightarrow Real-time evaluation

GeoPIXE software

PIXE and SXRF imaging

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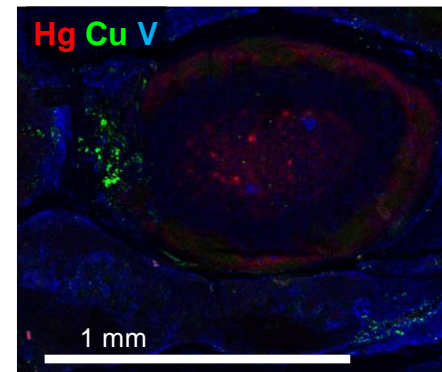
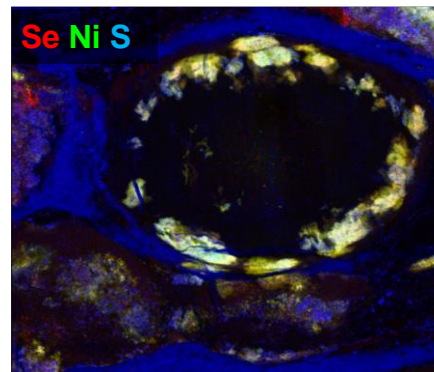
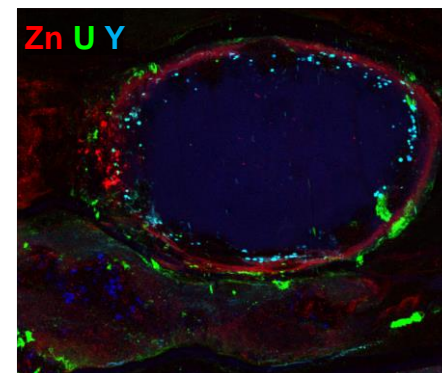
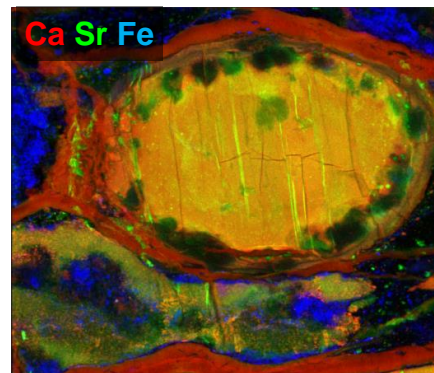
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Apply to imaging → Dynamic Analysis

- Accumulate images “event by event”

Further issues

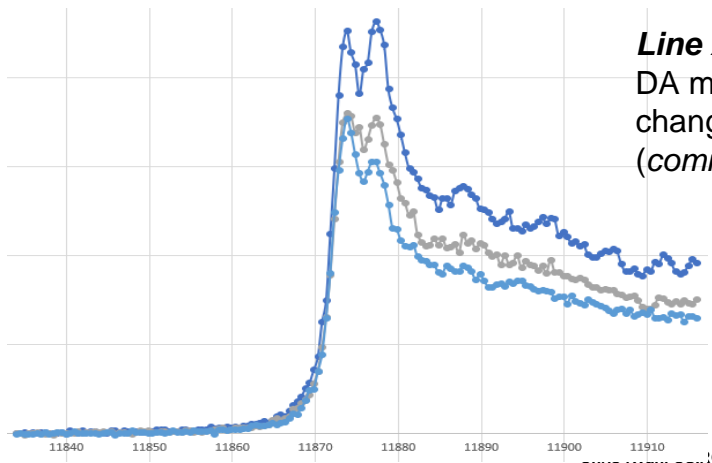
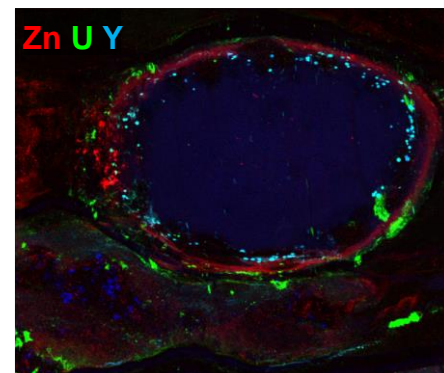
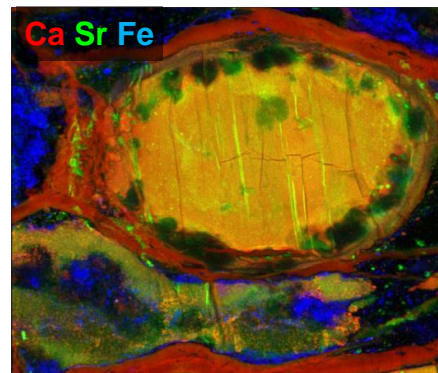
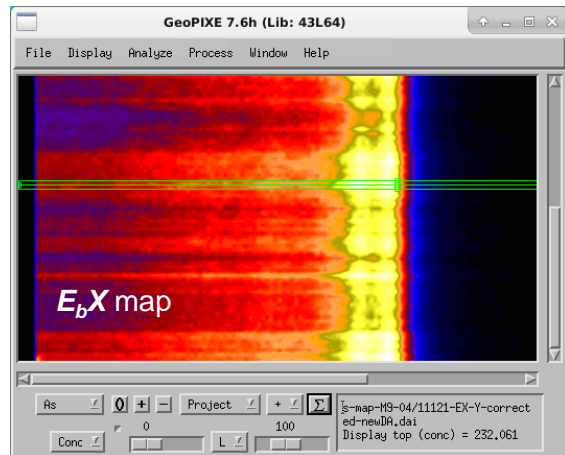
- Correct images for spatially varying sample composition (effects on model yields)
- Track changing beam energy E_b for XANES imaging (the model scatter peaks move)
- Exploit “angular diversity” of a large array



XFM imaging modes in GeoPIXE

2D

- **XY** – full spectral event analysis using DA
 - Image for each element
- **XE_b** – Line XANES, many elements
 - Scan along line for each beam energy E_b



Line XANES:
DA matrix model should follow
changing beam energy E_b
(coming soon)

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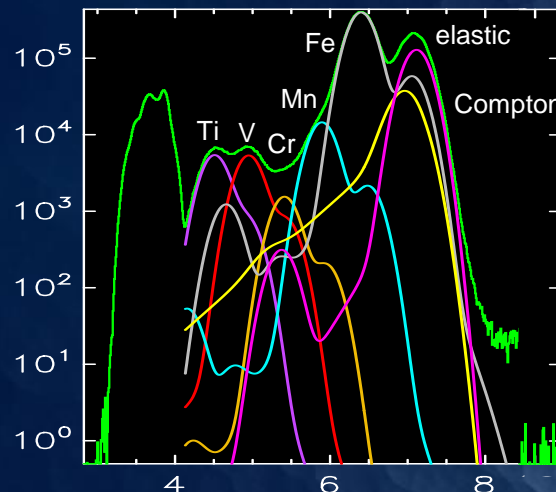
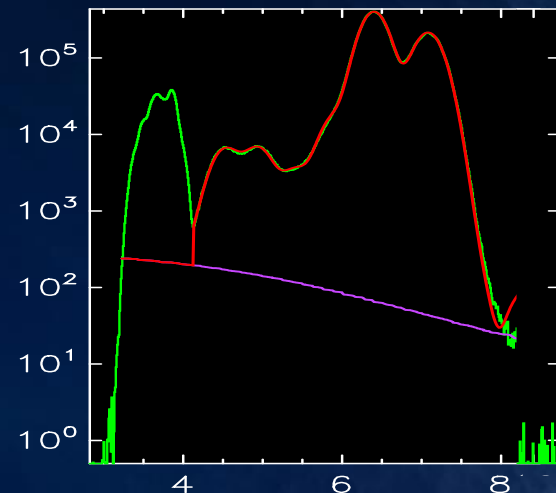
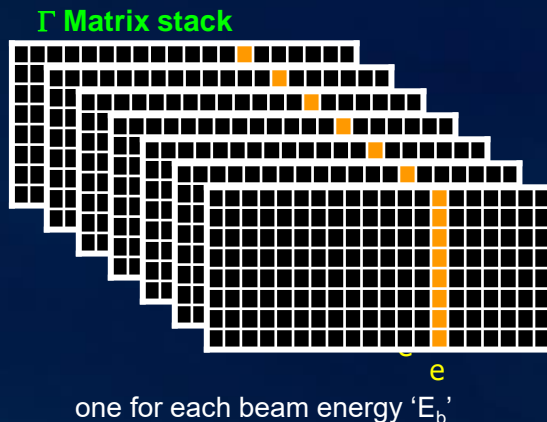
Spectrum vector

XANES Imaging:

X-ray event: Energy 'e'
Position 'x,y'
Beam energy 'E_b'

'E_b' selects matrix $\mathbf{\Gamma}$ in stack \rightarrow

'e' selects column of matrix $\mathbf{\Gamma}(E_b) \rightarrow$ the increments to images at 'x,y'



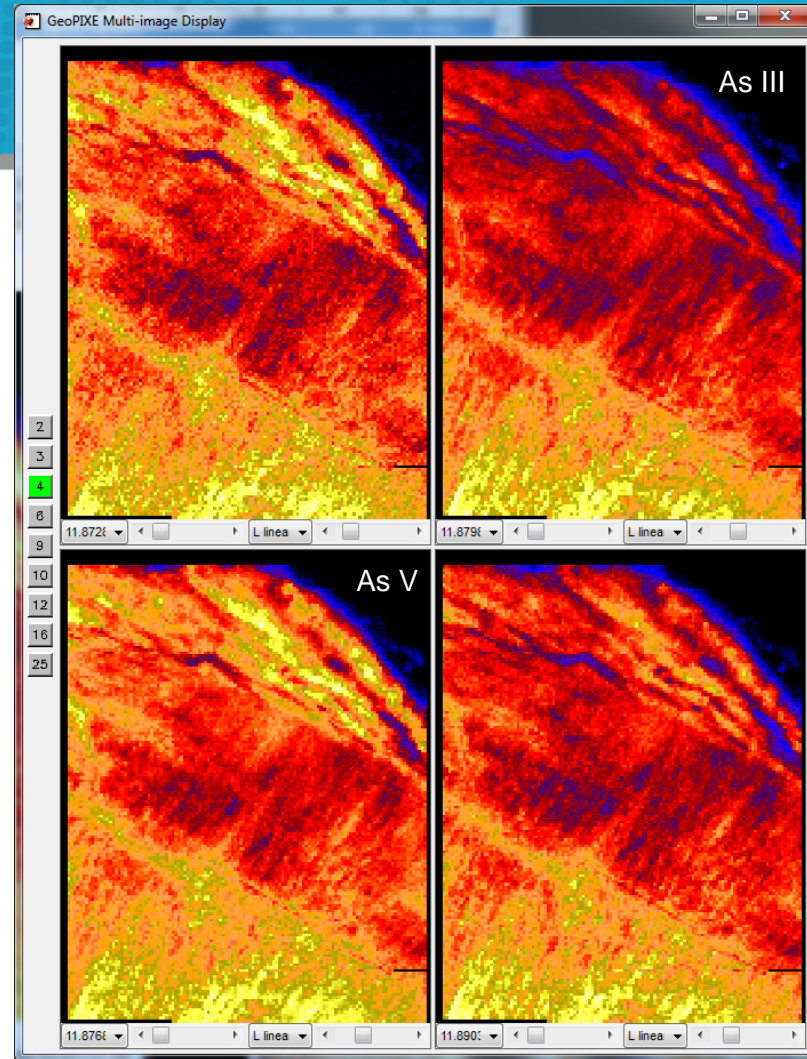
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 - full XY frames at each θ
- **XYE_b** – XANES stack (for selected element)
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- **XE_bY** – XANES stack (for selected element)
 - E_b from undulator encoder as second fastest axis



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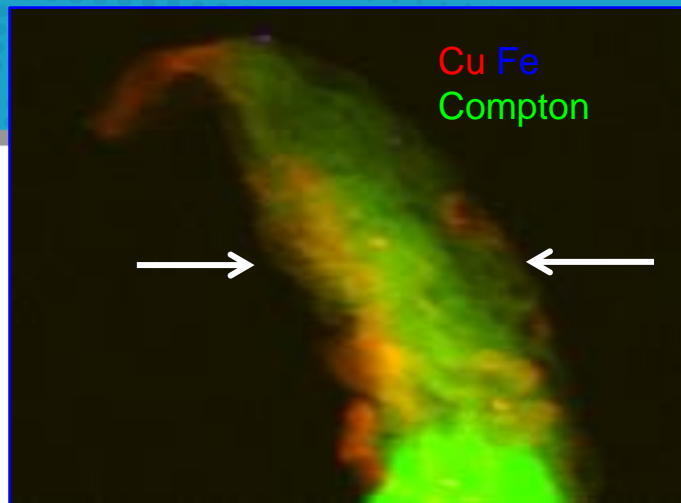
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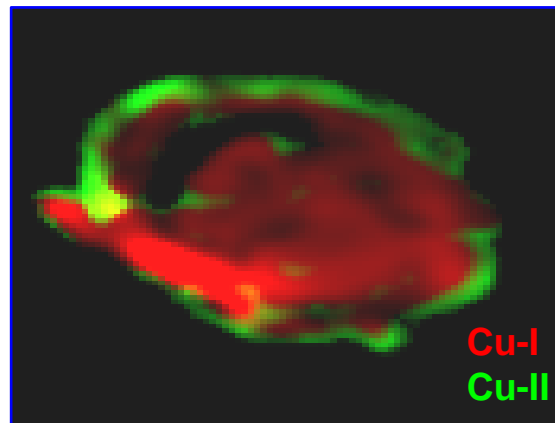
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- **$X\theta E_b$** – XANES Tomography
 - $X\theta$ as fastest axes, stacked by E_b

2D XFM



0.4 x 0.55 mm; 200 x 275 pixels, 16 min

XANES Tomography section

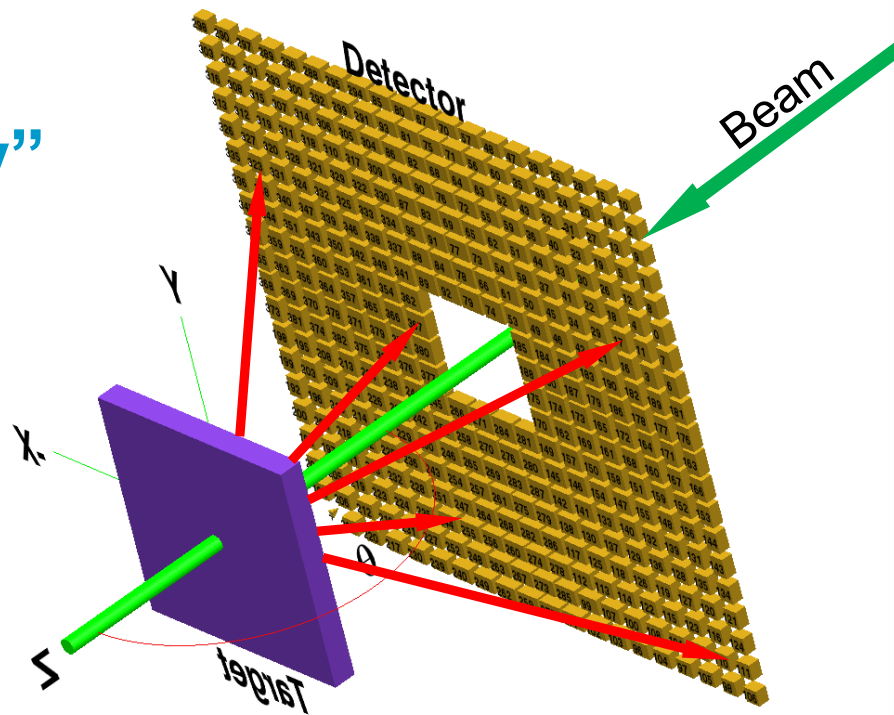


Cu speciation maintained in Drosophila...
James + de Jonge et al.

0.3 mm x 180°, 100 angles; 150 x 100 pixel sinogram, 4.7 minutes per energy x 80 energies

Maia detector array “take-off angle diversity”

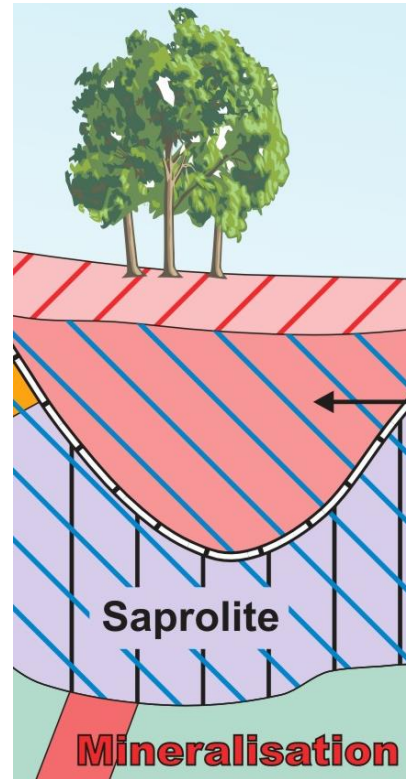
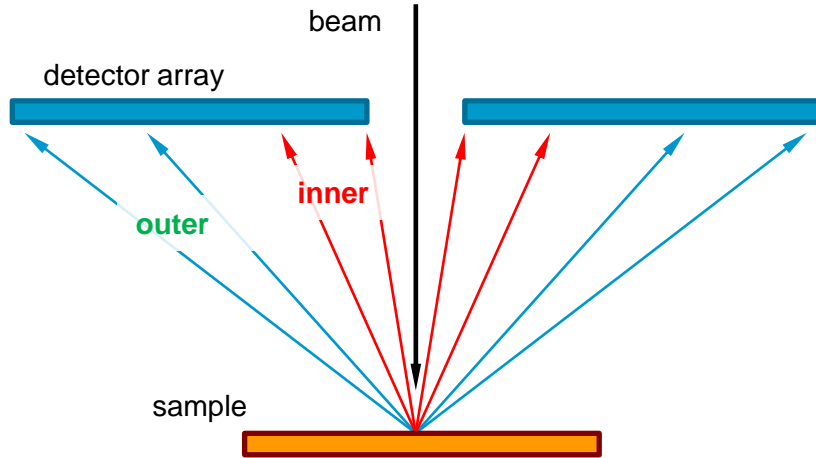
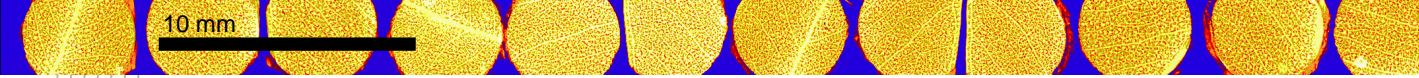
- Take-off angle range:- γ : 14° to 53°
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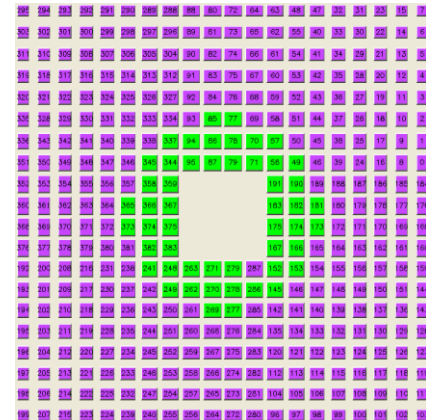
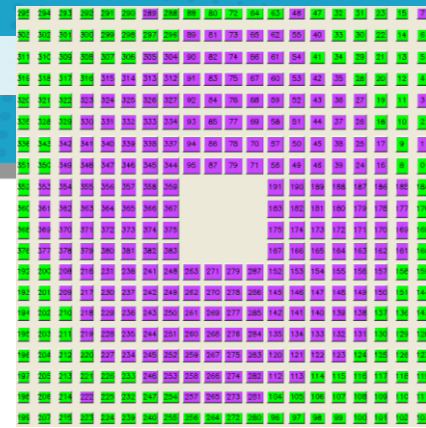
Depth mapping

Gold precipitates in leaves

outer



Lintern *et al.*, Nature Communications 4, 2274

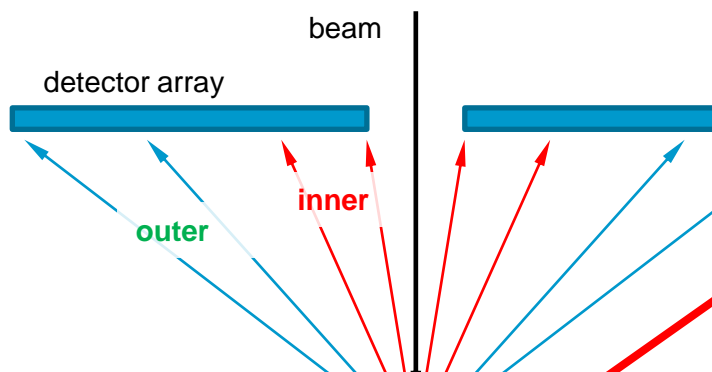
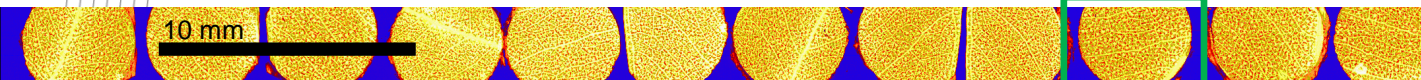


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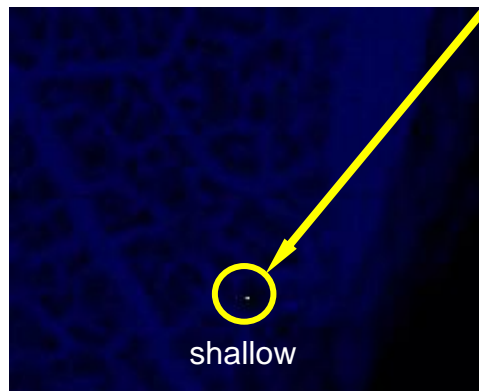
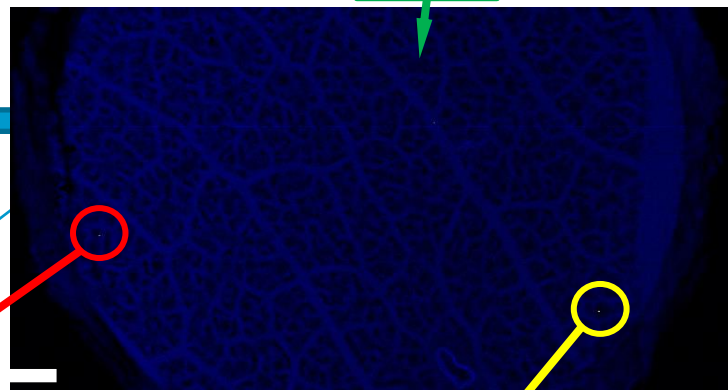
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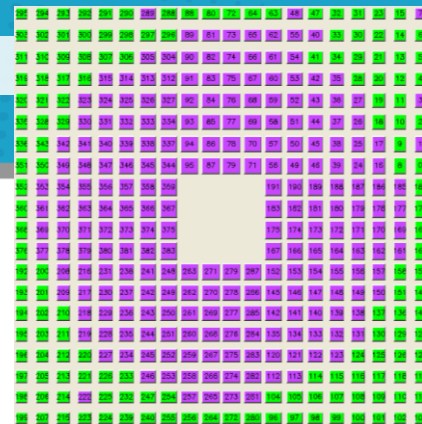
deep

1 mm

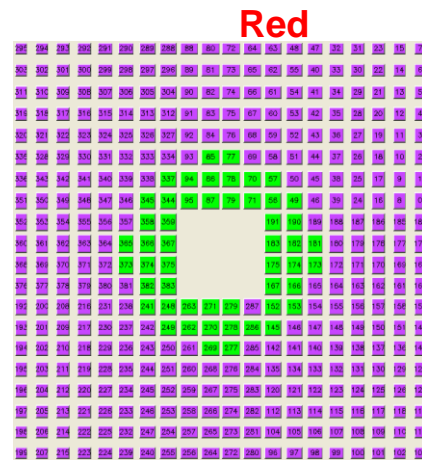


shallow

inner



Green

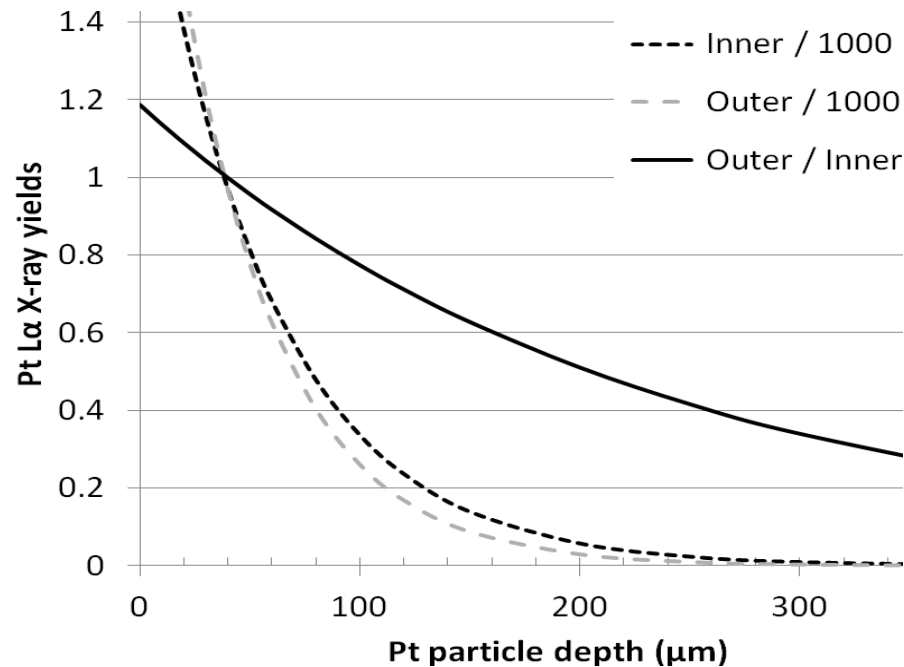
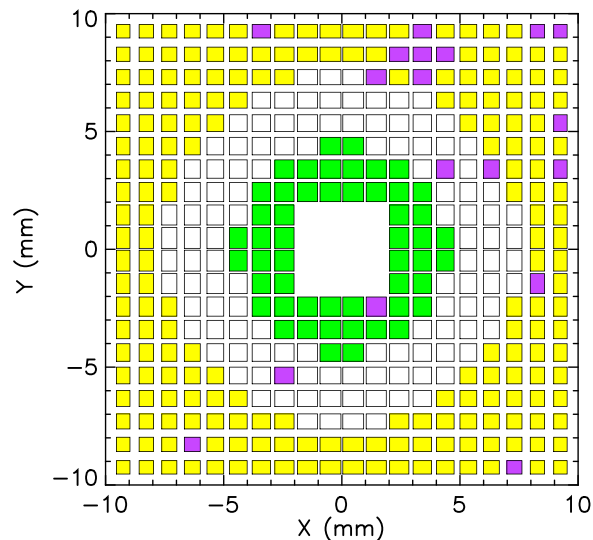


Red

Maia 384 array: Depth sensitivity and measurement

- Depth sensitivity using large detector array

- ✓ Angles from normal range from 13.9 ° to 52.6°
- ✓ Outer detectors “see” more self-absorption
- ✓ Inner detectors “see” deeper particles
- ✓ Ratio “outer” / “inner” → depth measure

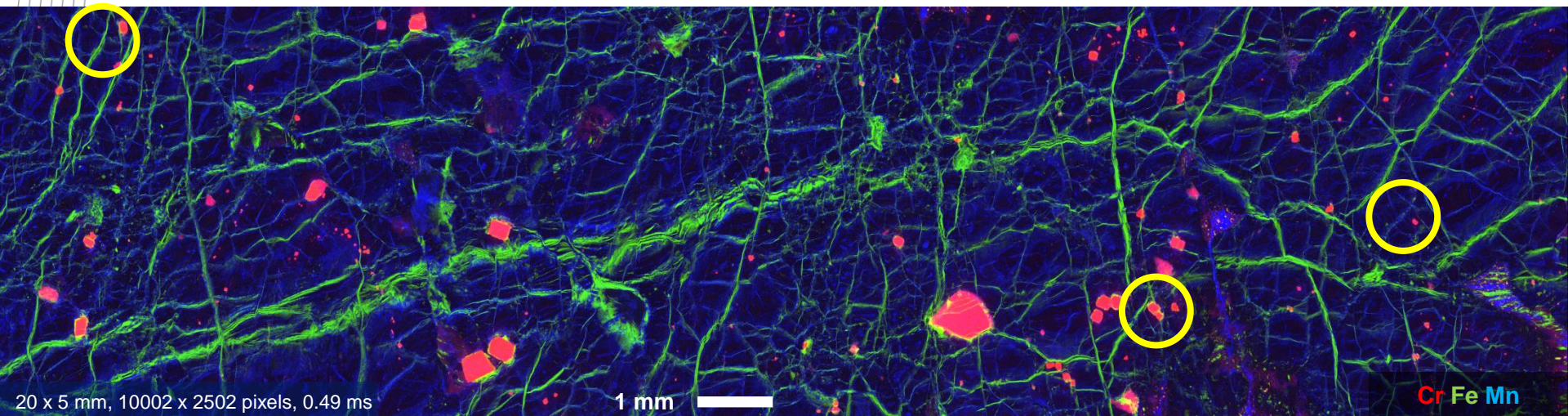


Pt Lα yields, “outer”/“inner” ratio for Pt particle in olivine at 18.5 keV beam energy

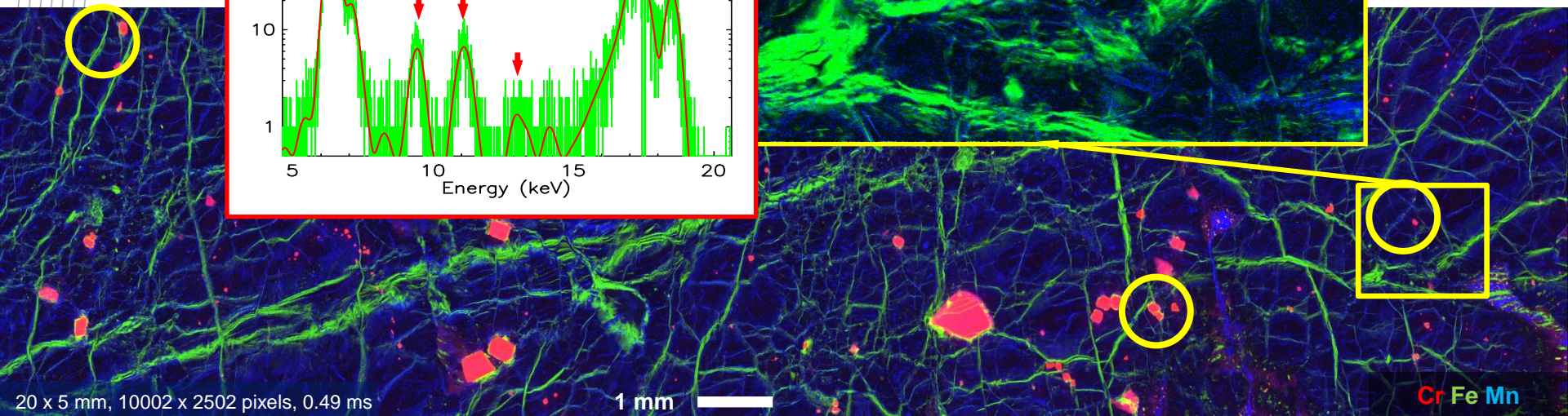
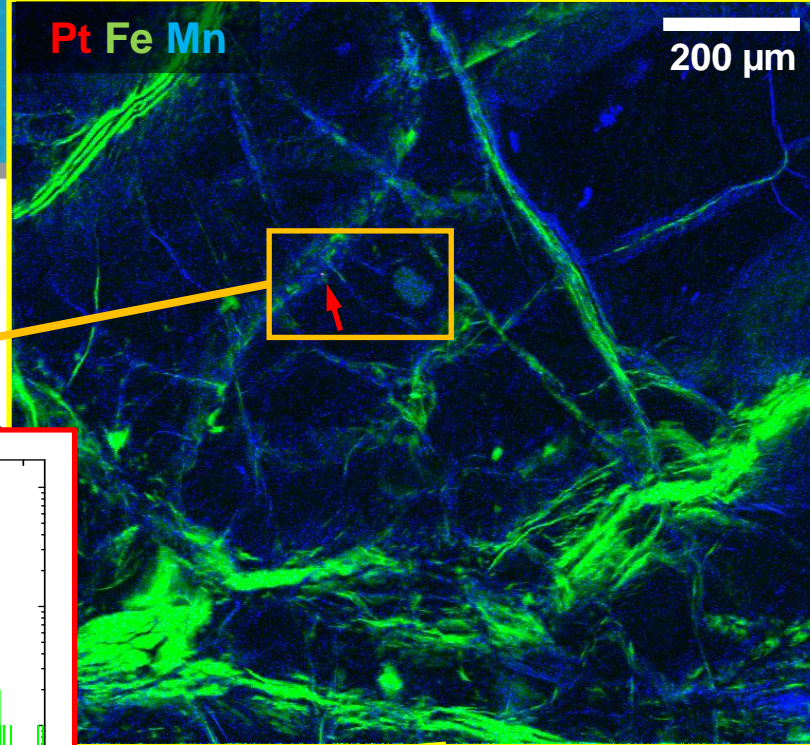
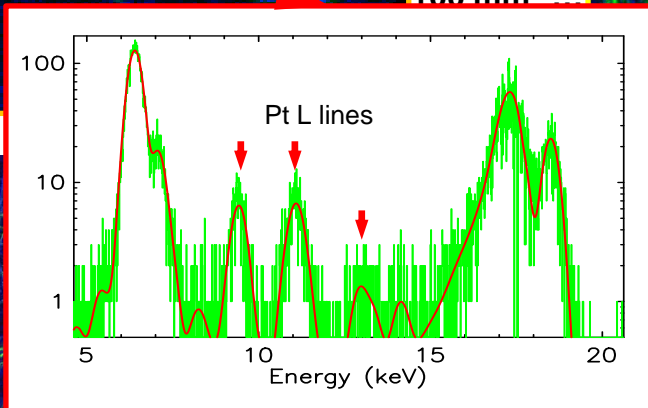
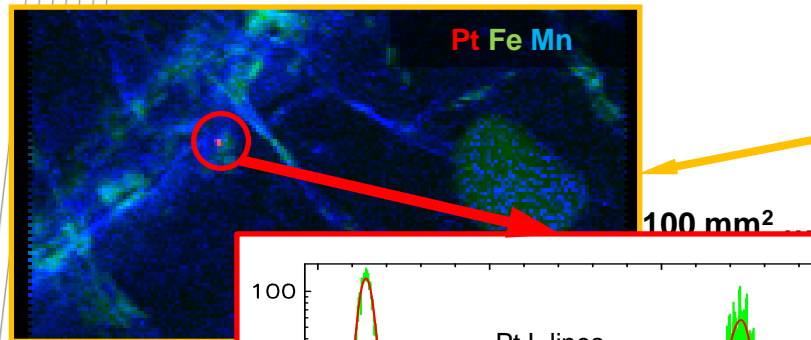
PGM Search: Depth mapping

Three groups of PGMs found in 100 mm² ...

Dunite polished section from Muang Pha intrusion Laos (Godel *et al.*, CSIRO)



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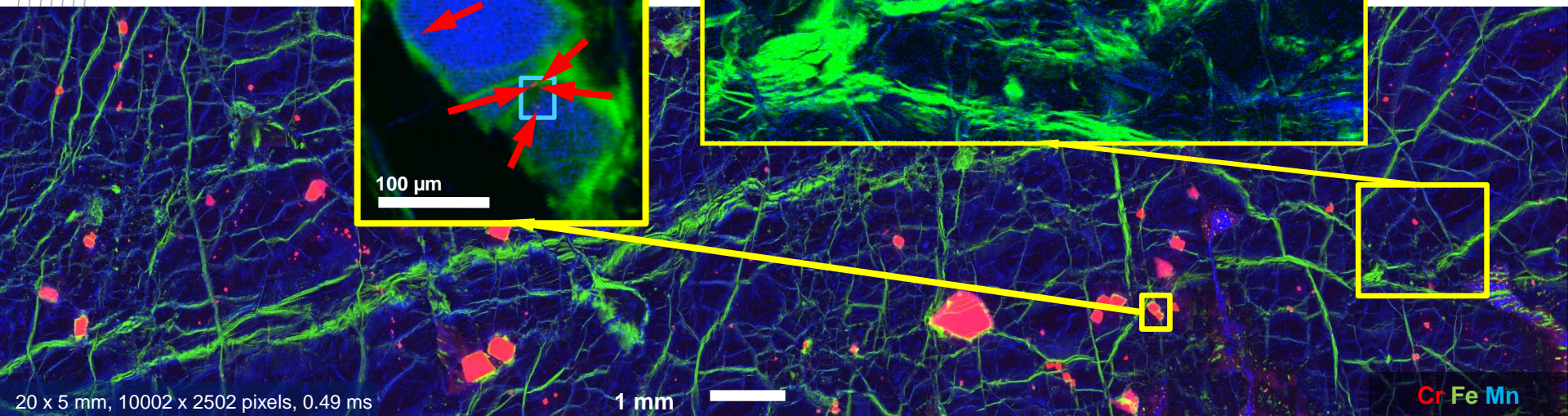
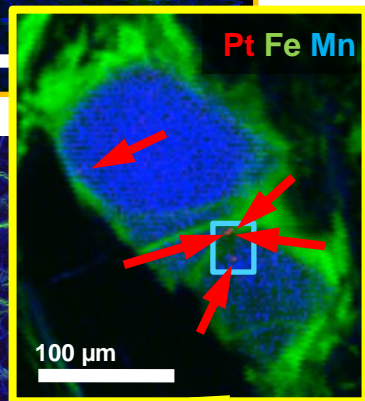
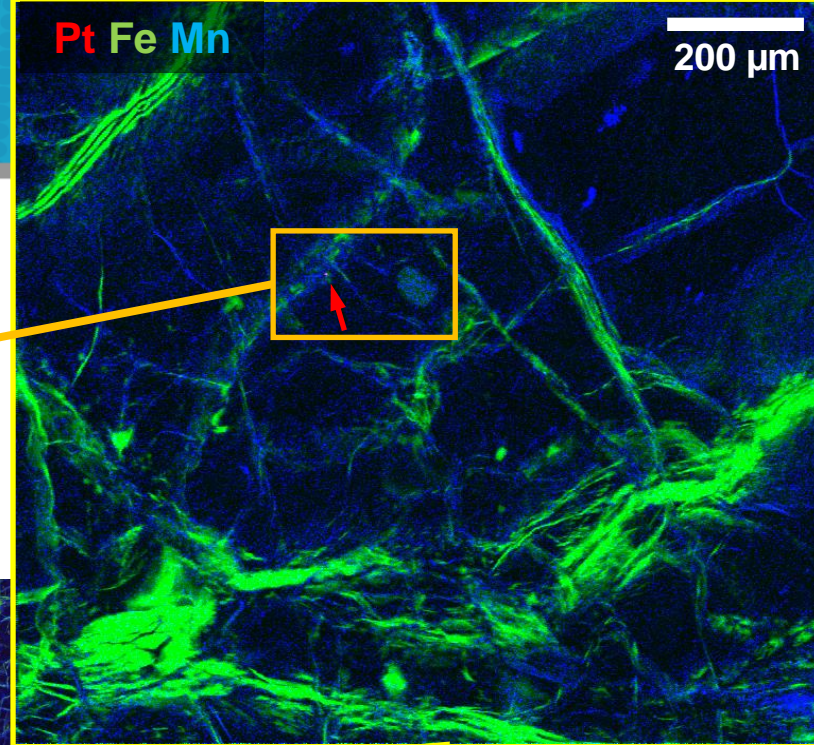
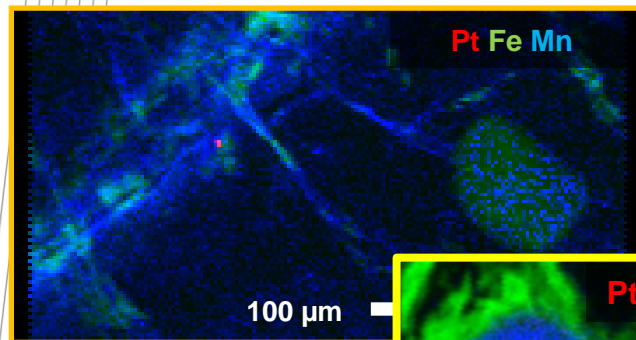


20 x 5 mm, 10002 x 2502 pixels, 0.49 ms

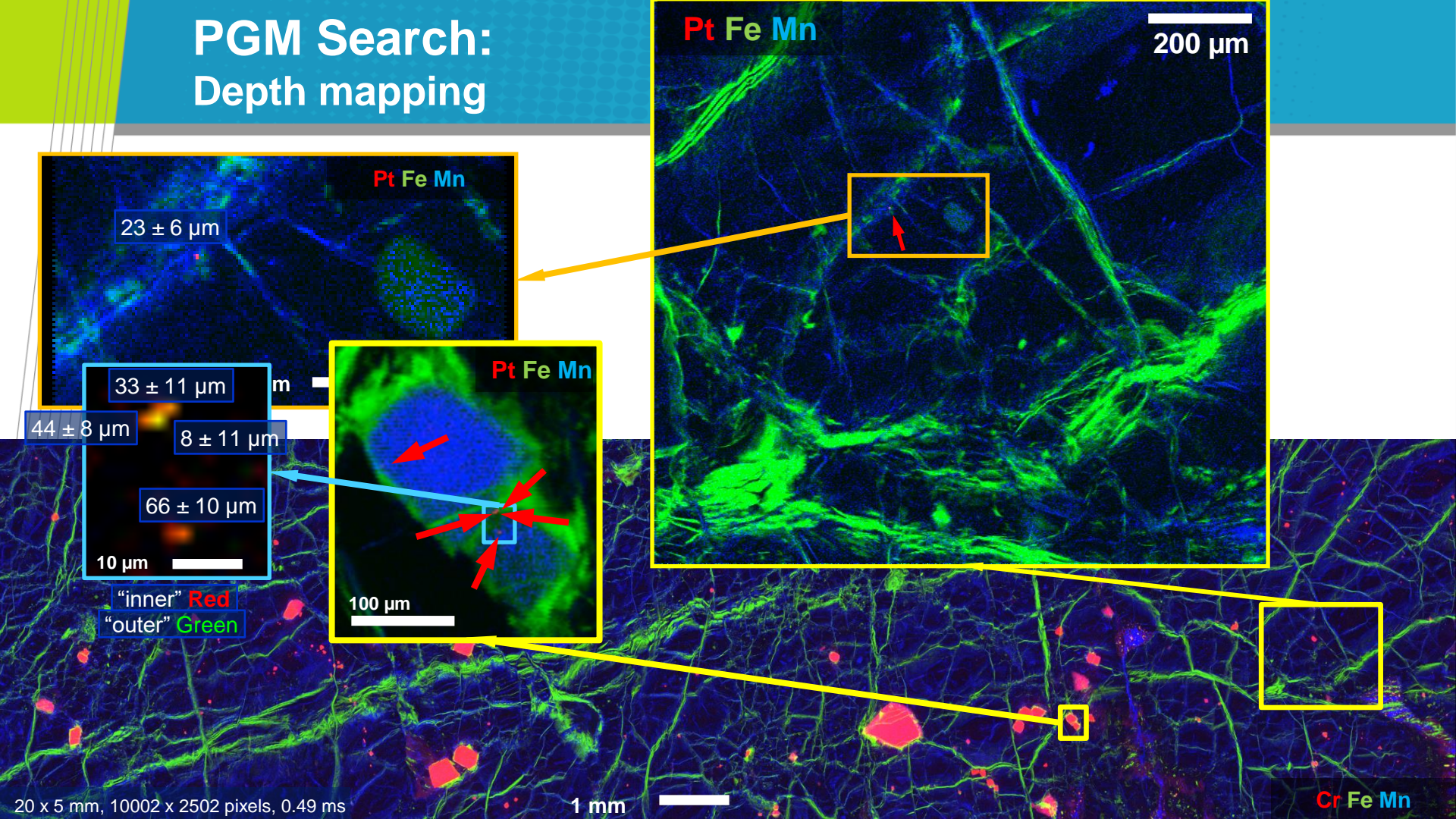
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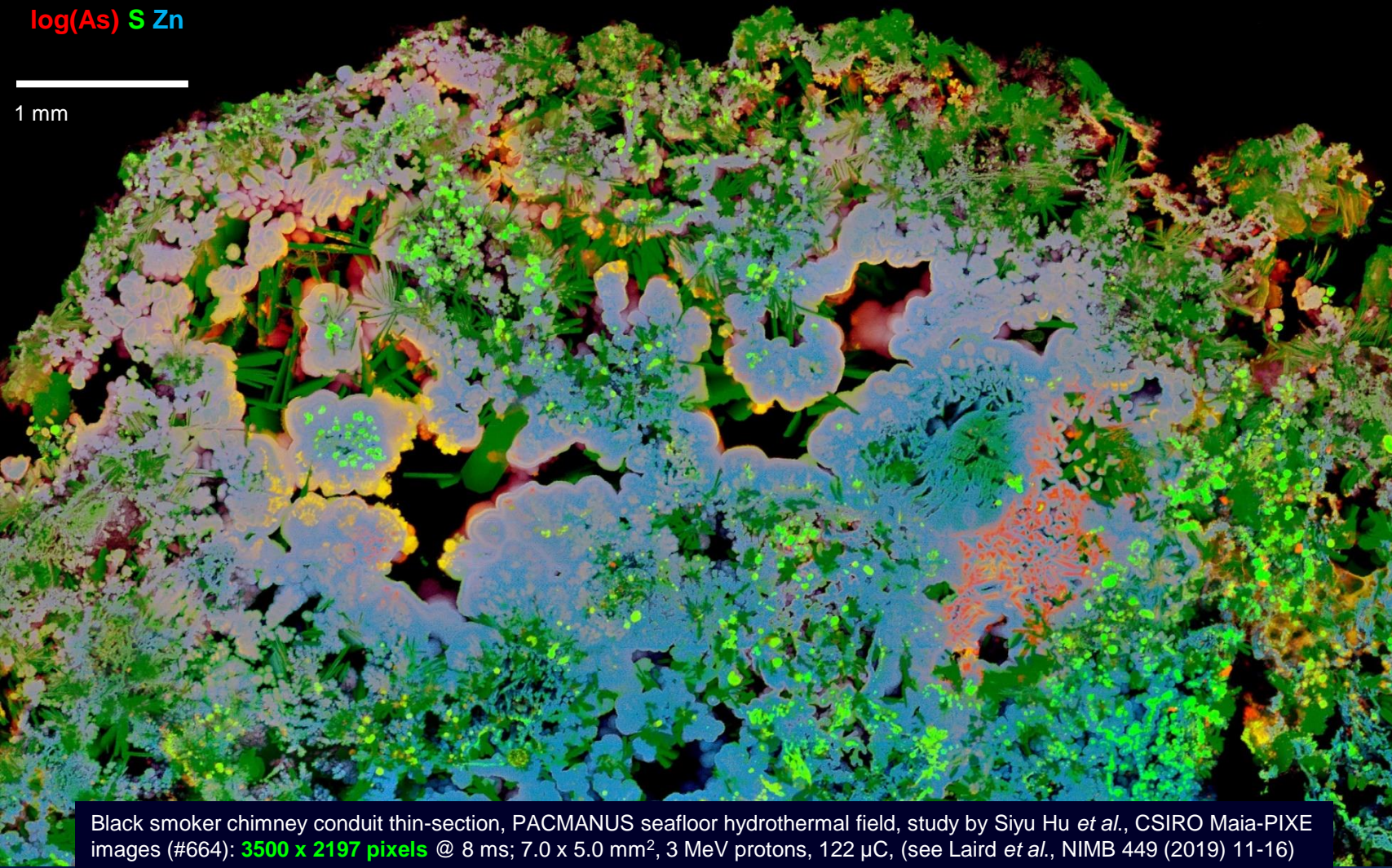
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log(As) S Zn



1 mm



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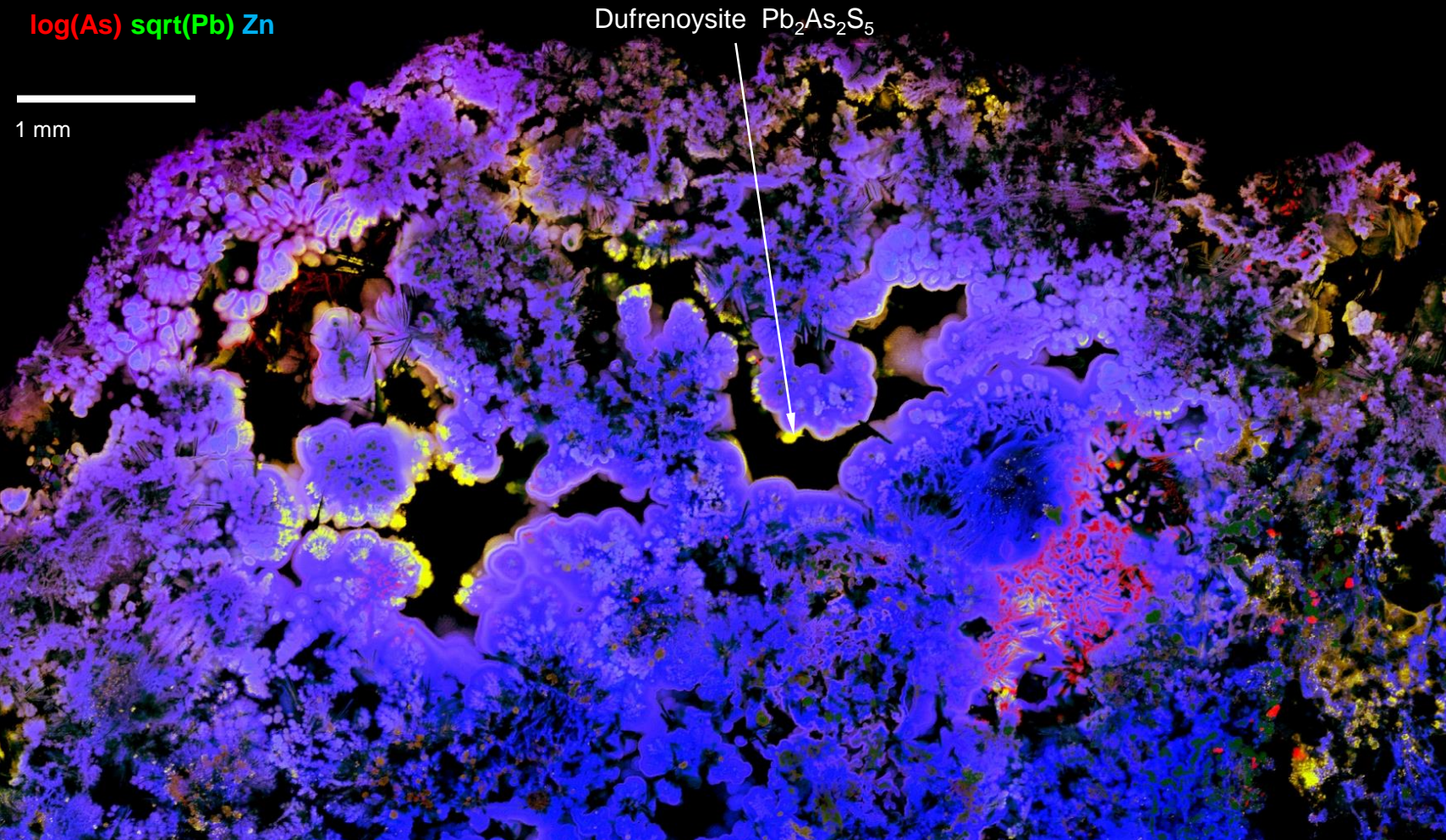
Ryan, CSIRO

log(As) sqrt(Pb) Zn

Dufrenoyite $\text{Pb}_2\text{As}_2\text{S}_5$



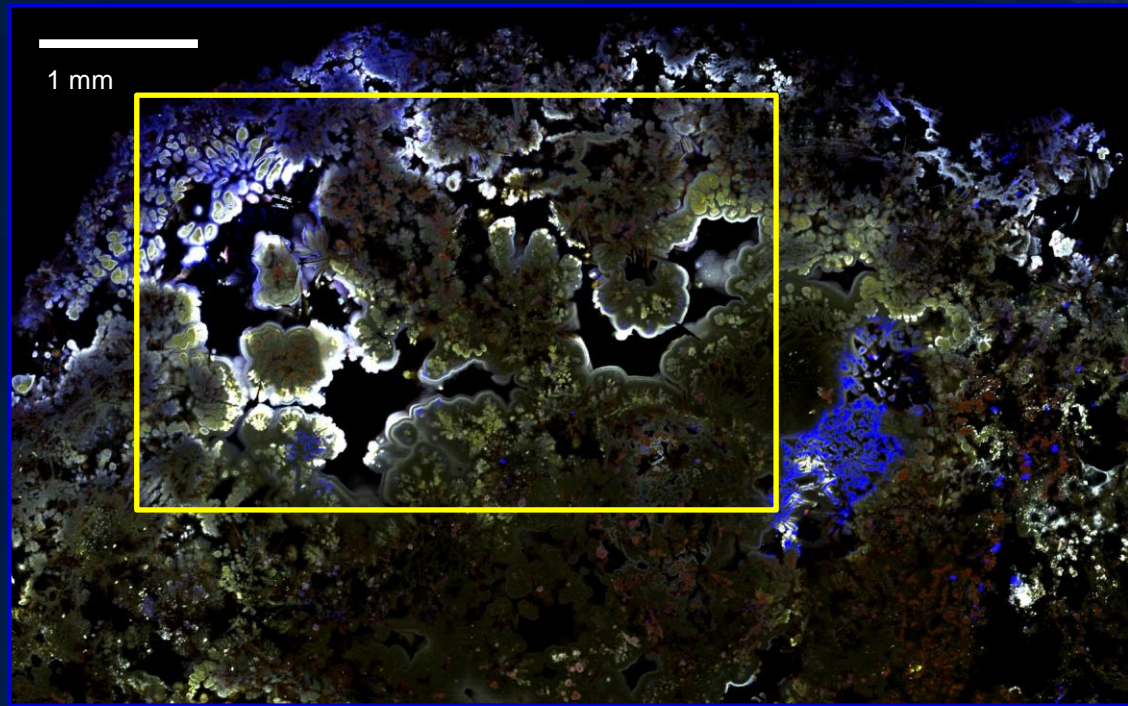
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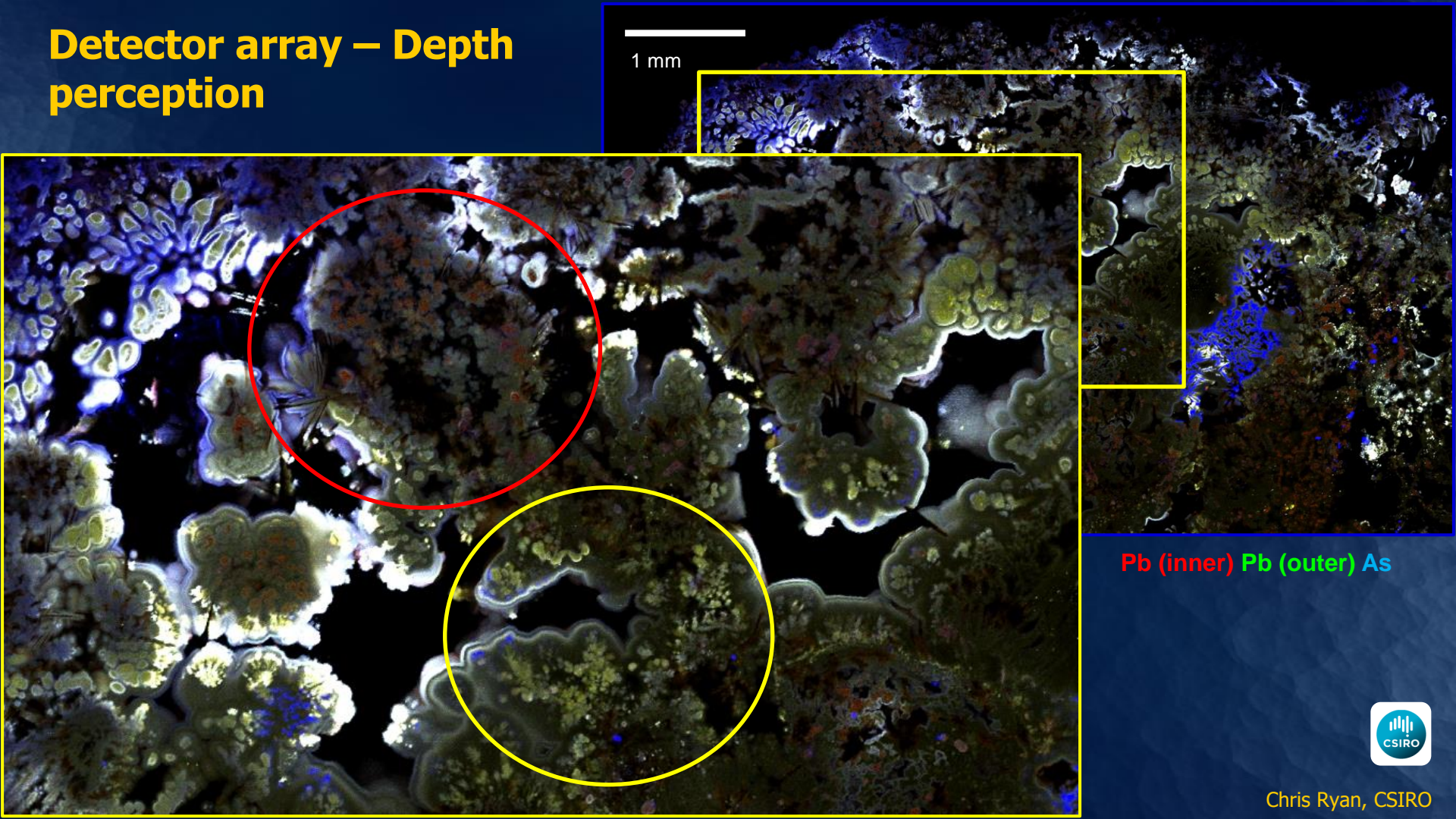
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Detector array – Depth perception

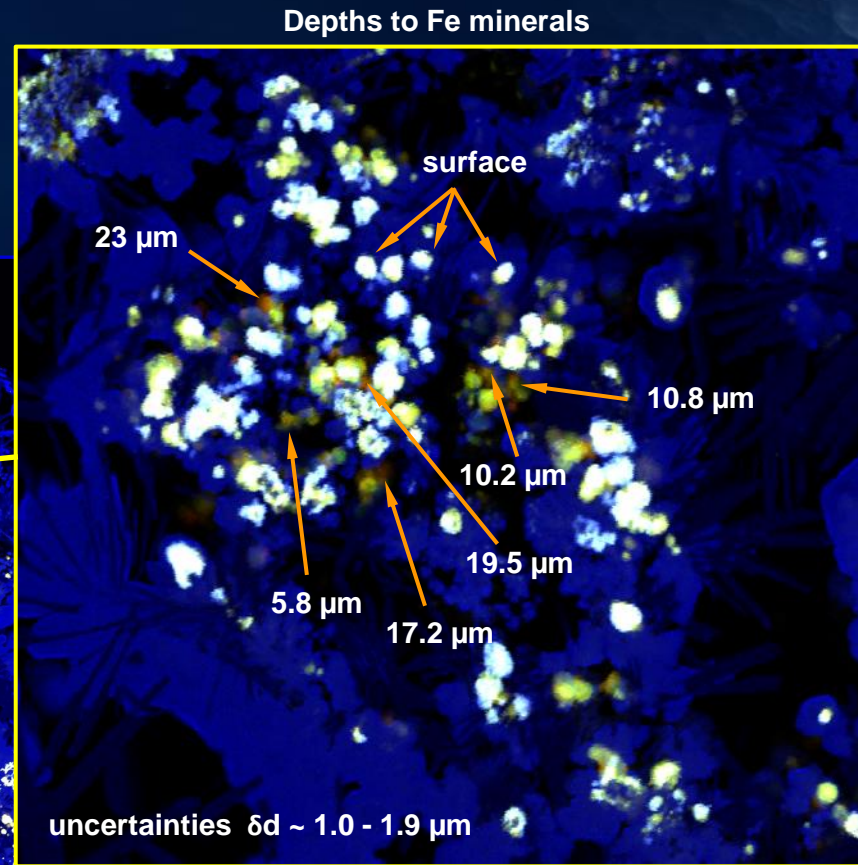
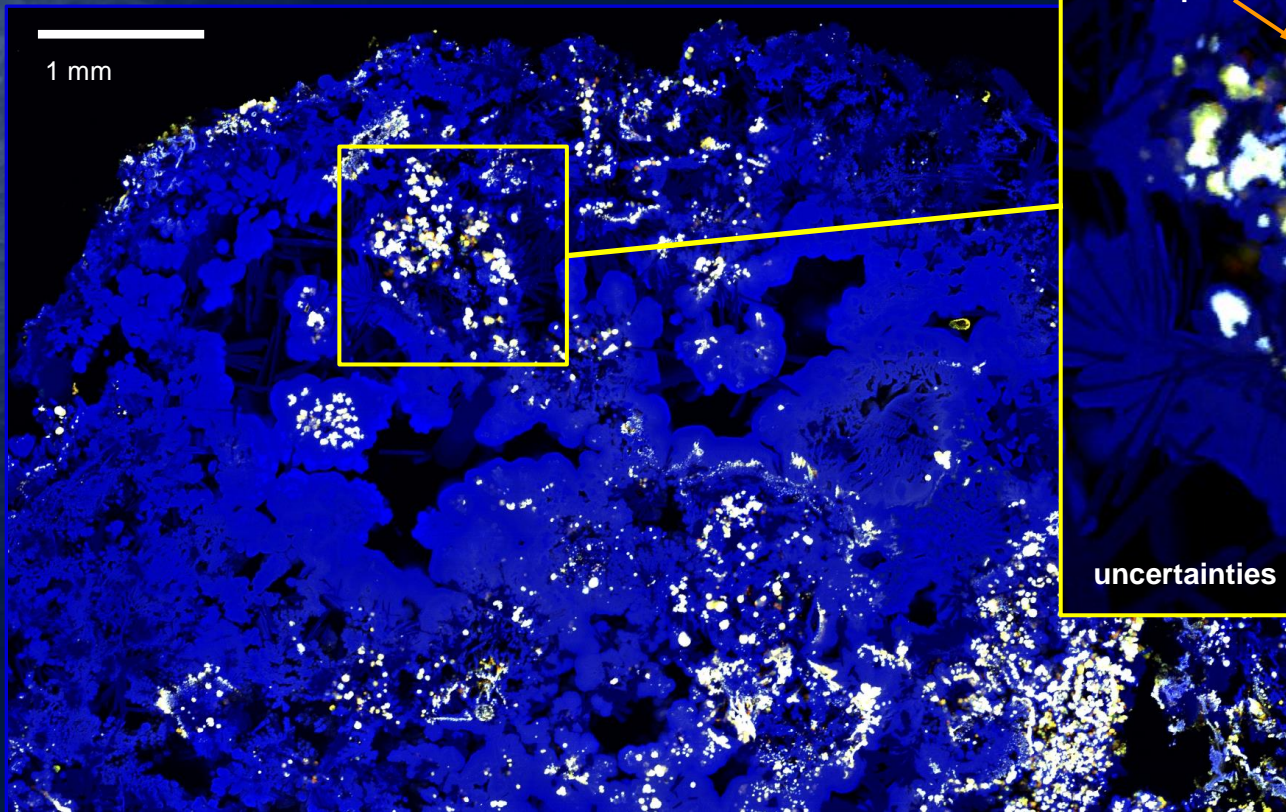


Pb (inner) Pb (outer) As

Detector array – Depth perception



Detector array – Depth perception



Fe (inner) Fe (outer) S

Detector array: Take-off angle perspectives

Top-left

Top

Top-right

Right

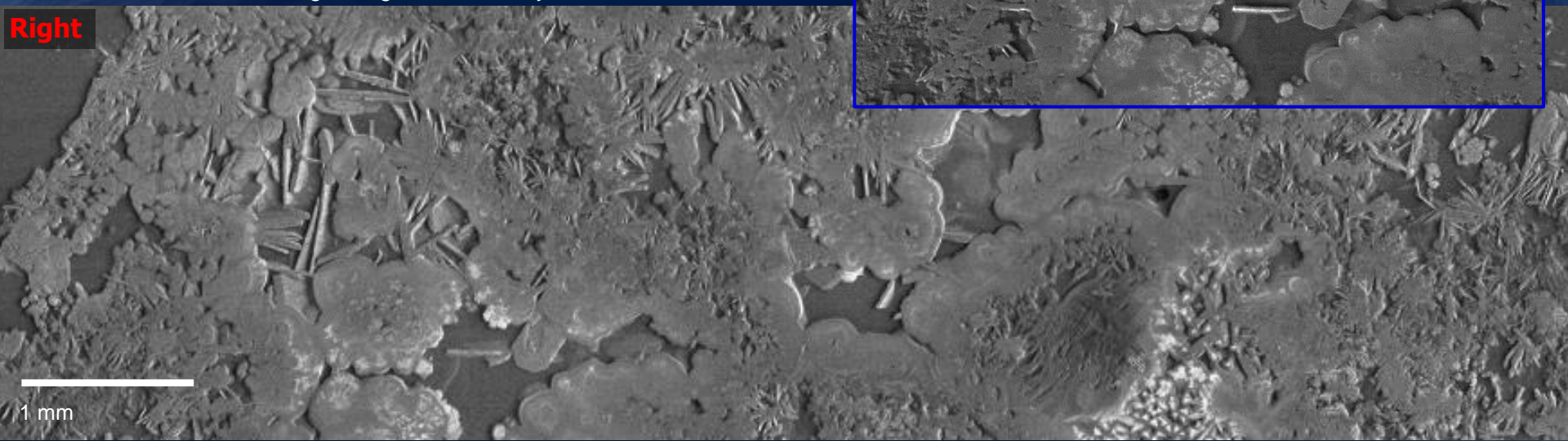
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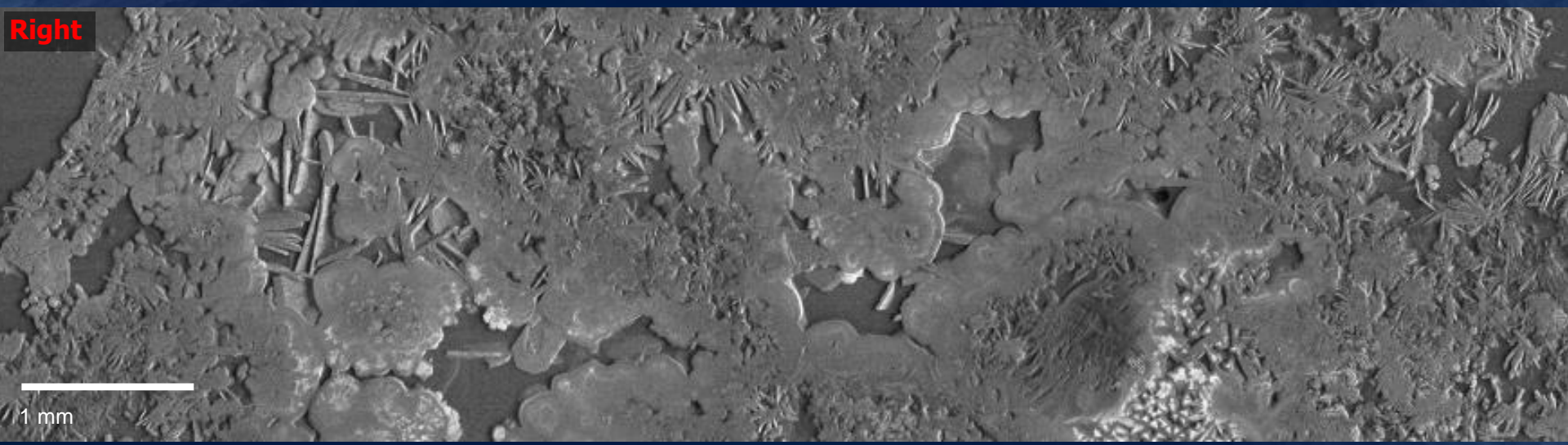
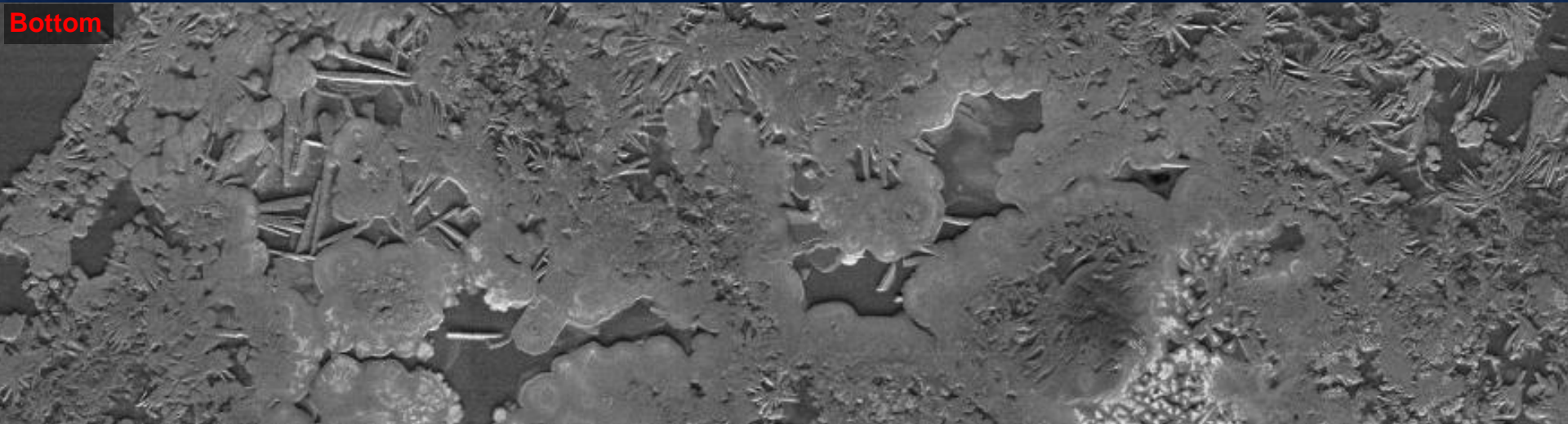
Group detectors by azimuthal angle around array ...

Bremsstrahlung background intensity

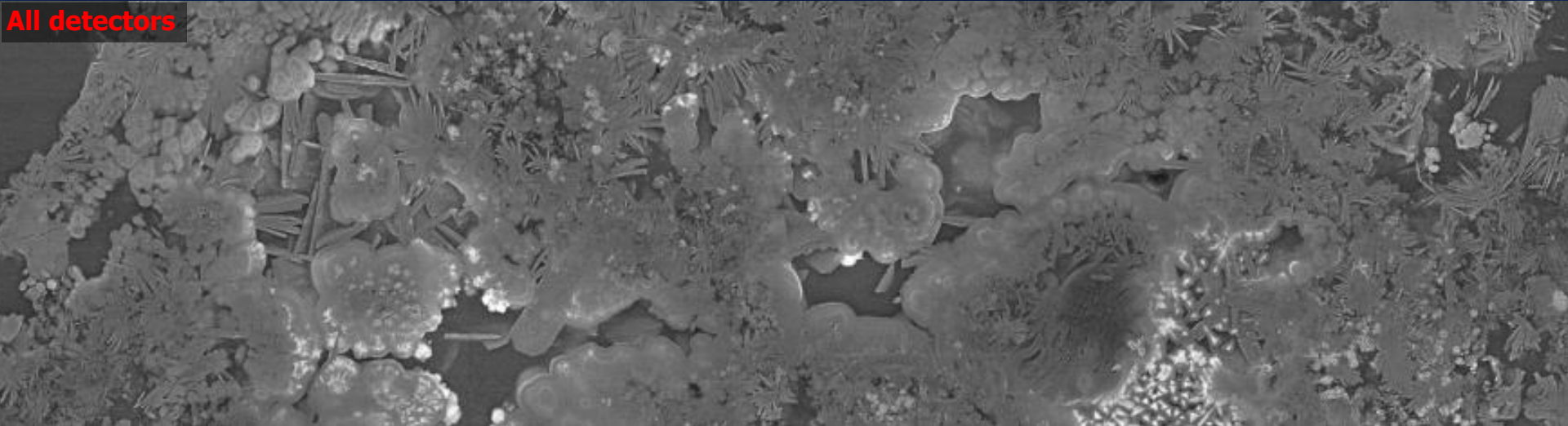
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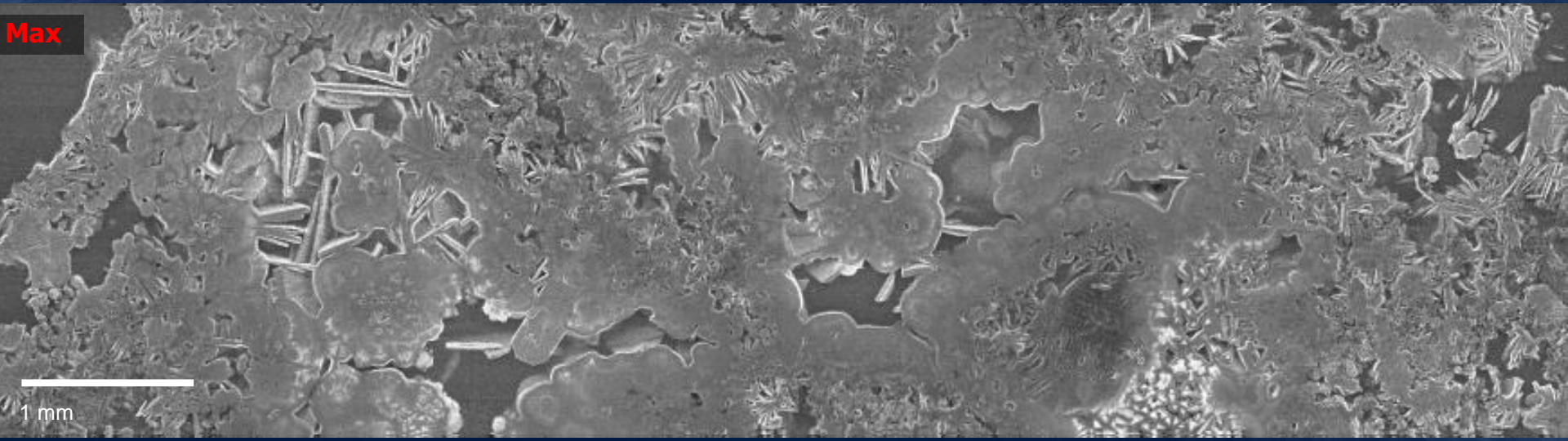
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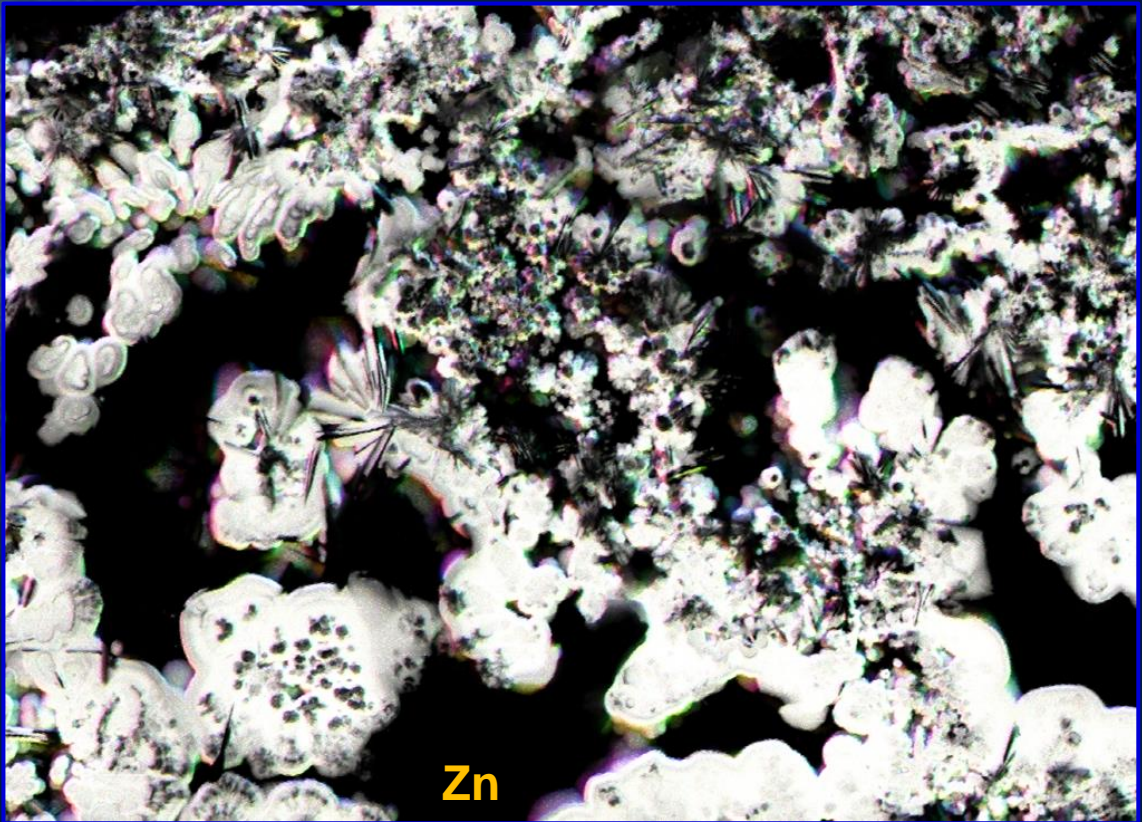


Max



Detector array: Take-off angle perspectives

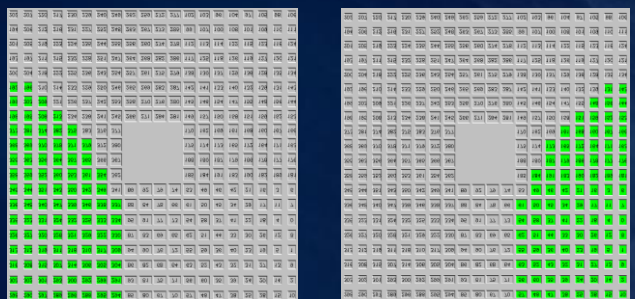
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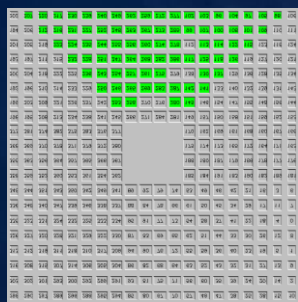
3 angle perspectives

Red

Green

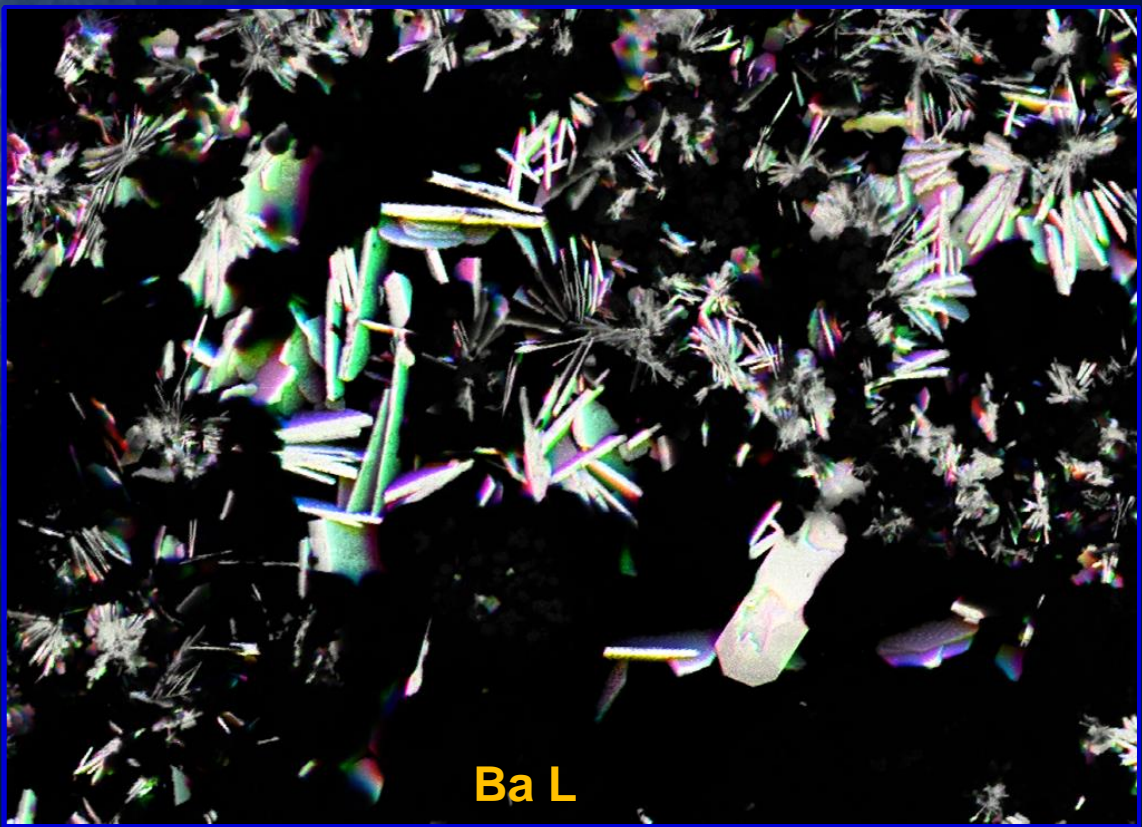


Blue



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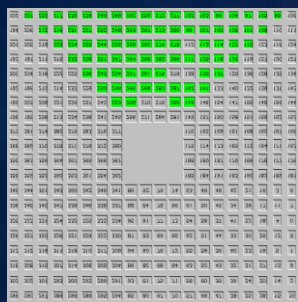
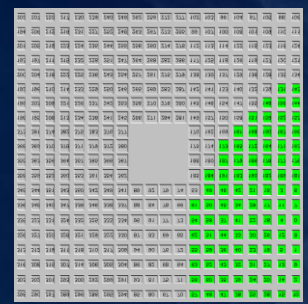
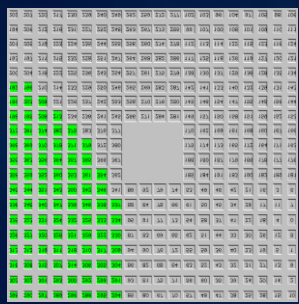
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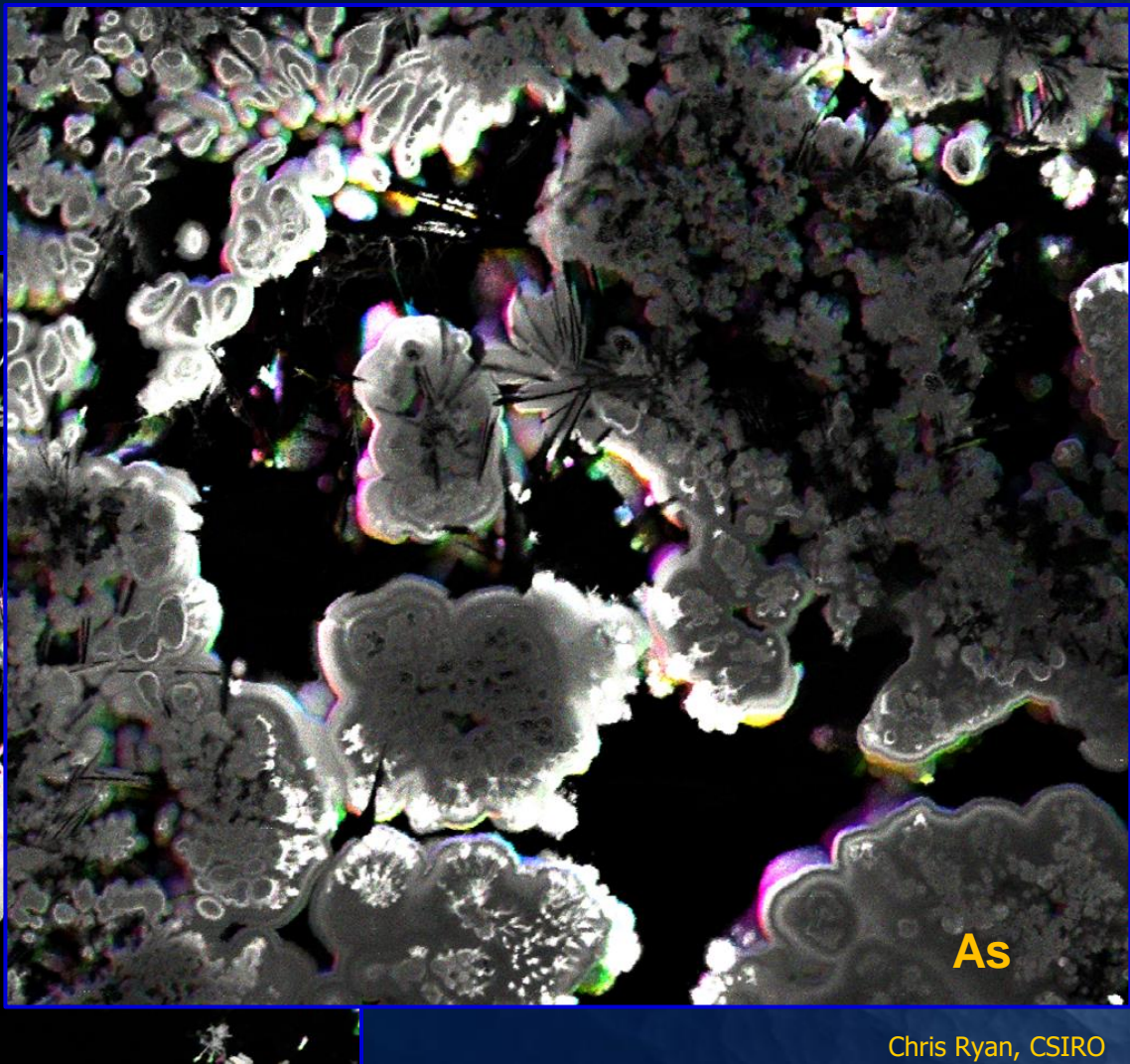
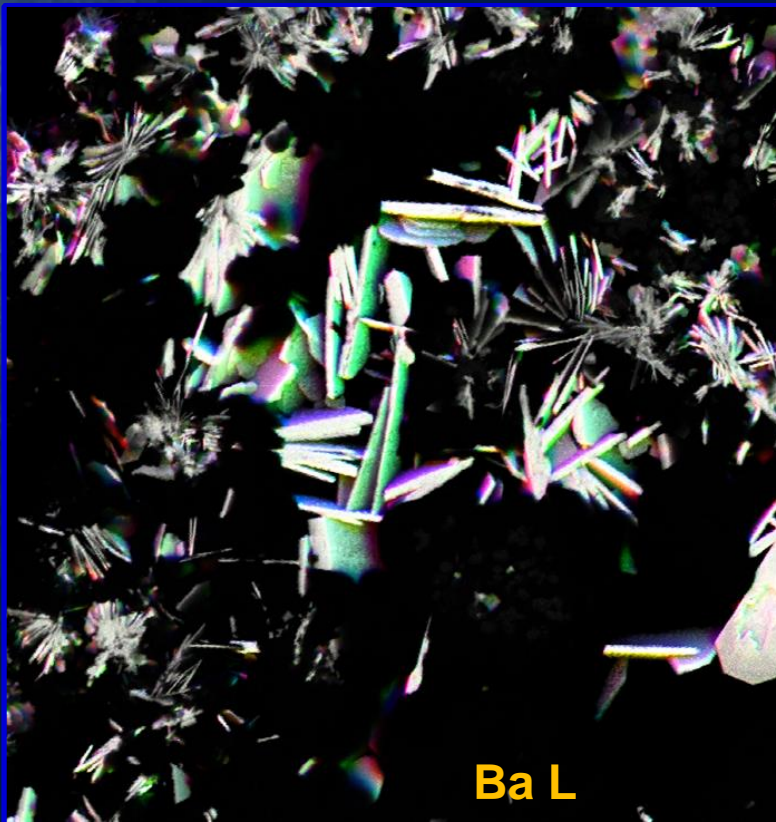
Green



Blue

Detector array: Take-off angle perspectives

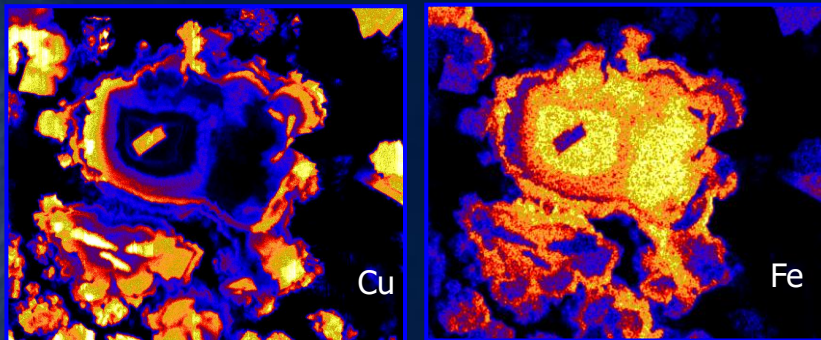
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Matrix correction of images

Correct images for spatially changing composition

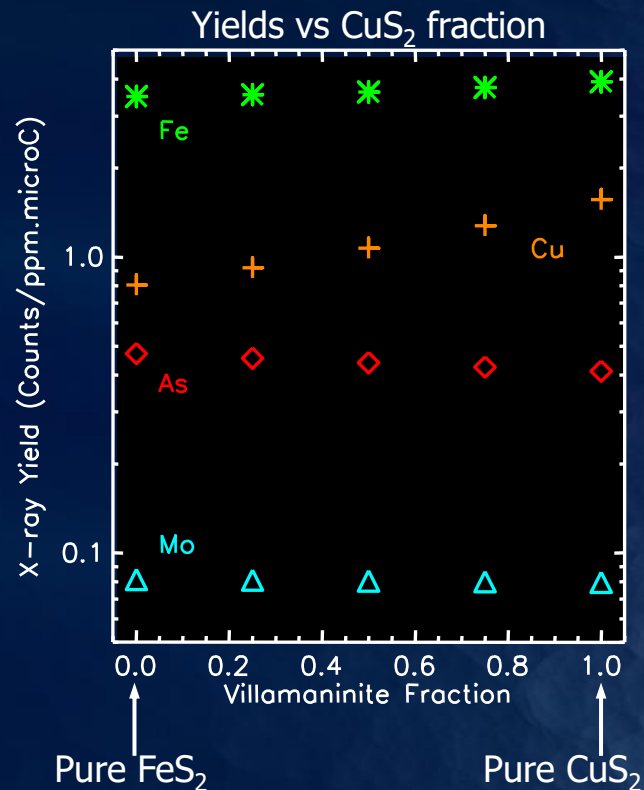
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Uniform yields no longer valid.

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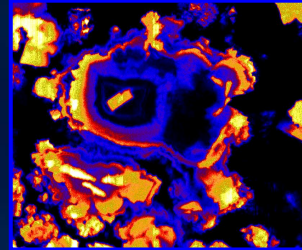
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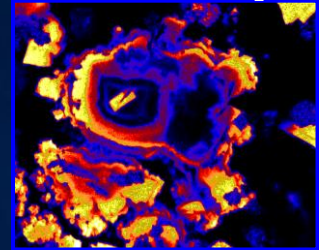


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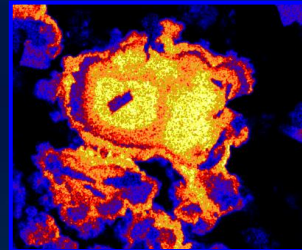
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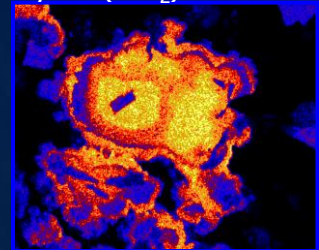
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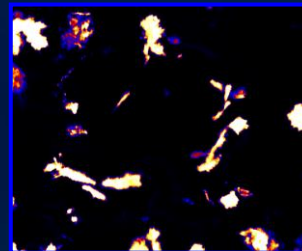
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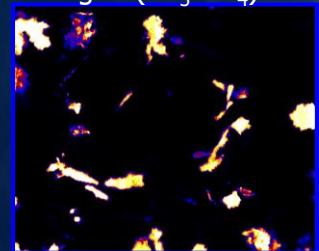
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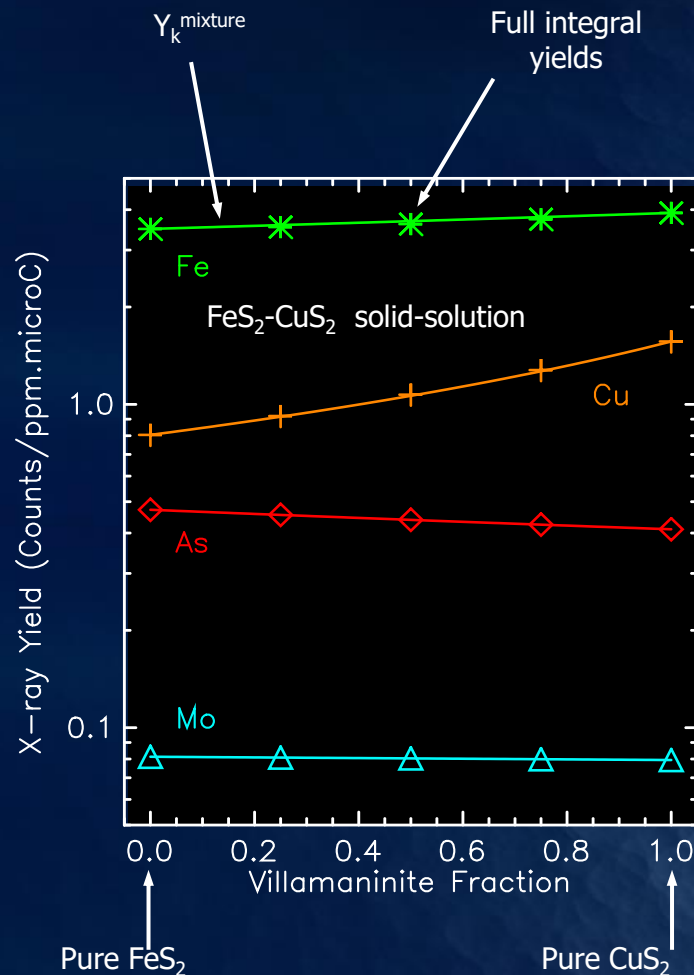
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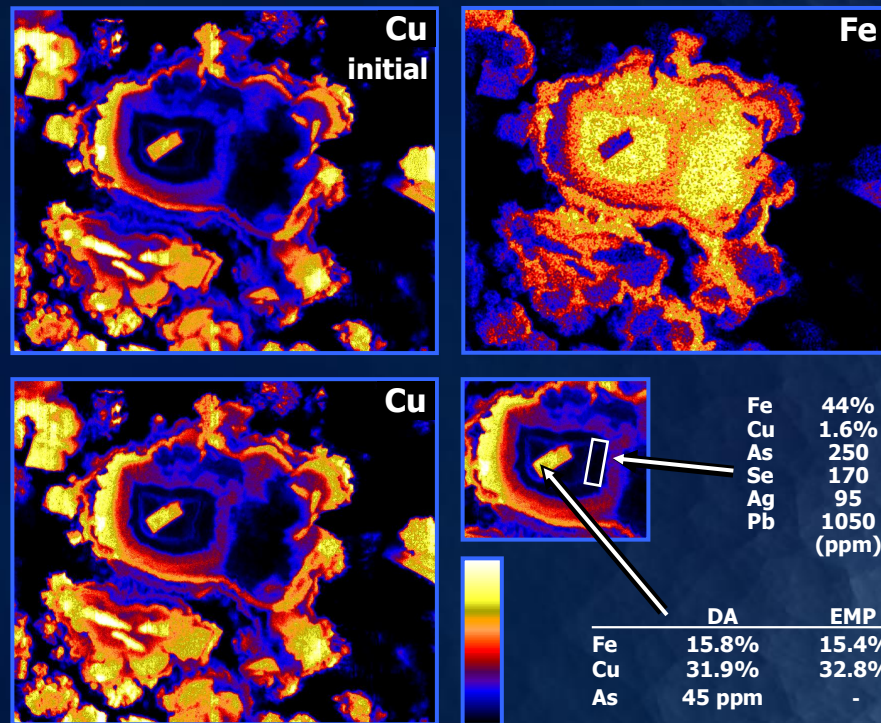
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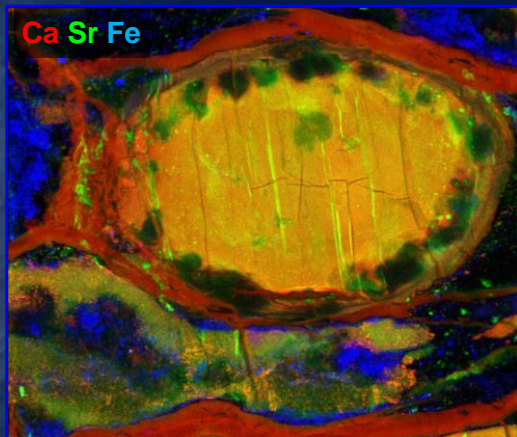
A new approach ...

Can we correct for spatial variation in:

- Sample composition?
- X-ray relative intensities?
- Background?

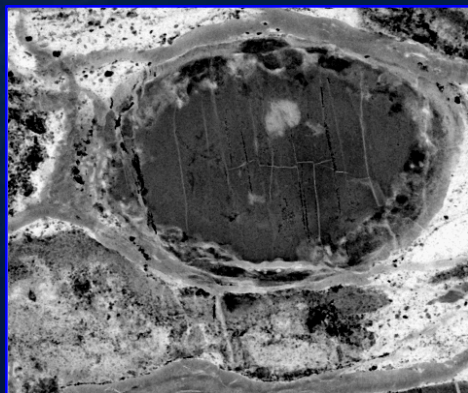
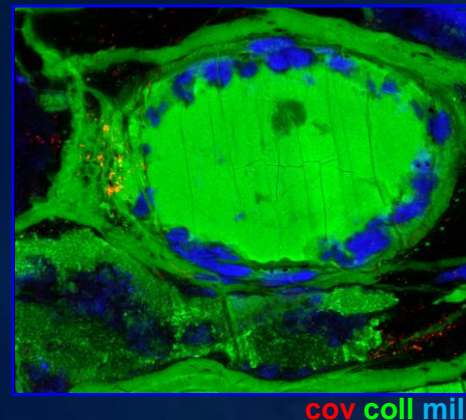
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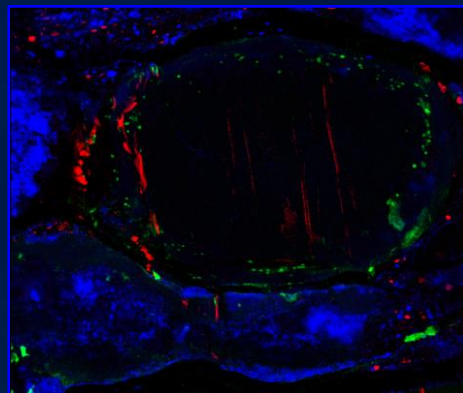


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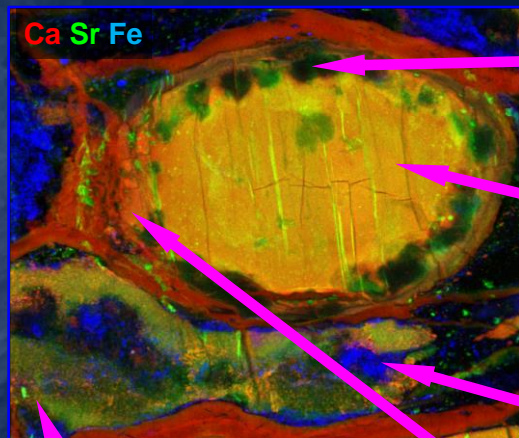
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Use per phase:

- ✓ Correct composition → SXRF yields
- ✓ Correct X-ray line relative intensities
- ✓ Correct background shape
- ✓ These flow into DA matrices

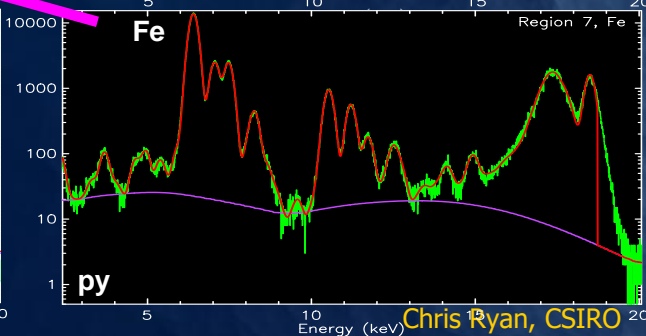
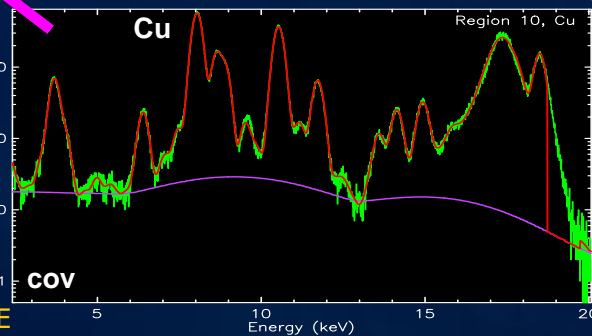
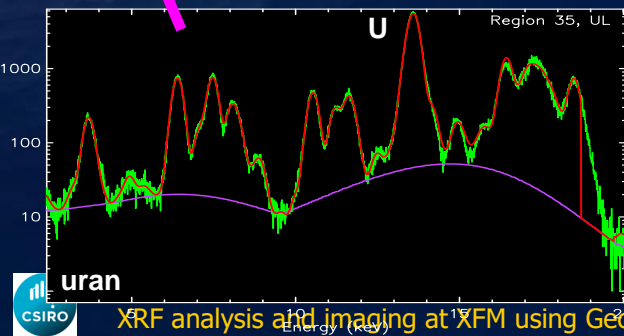
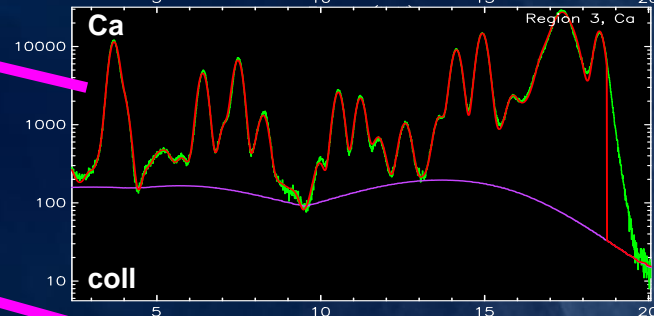
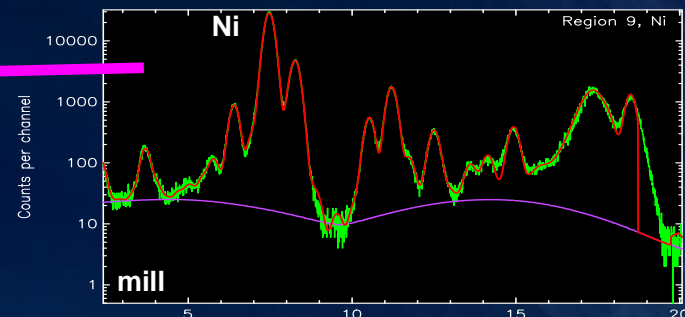
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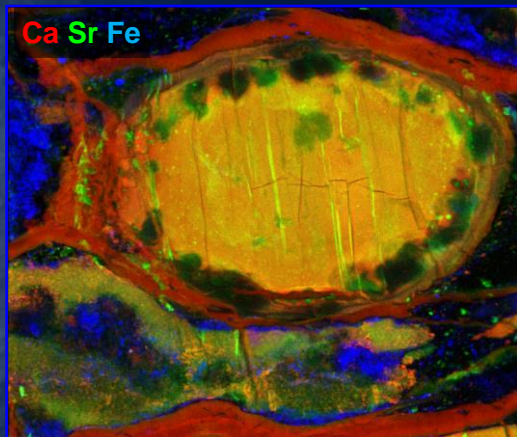


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$\Gamma \propto 1/Y$. Hence, this is analogous to the **phase weighted inverse yields**.

Build Images

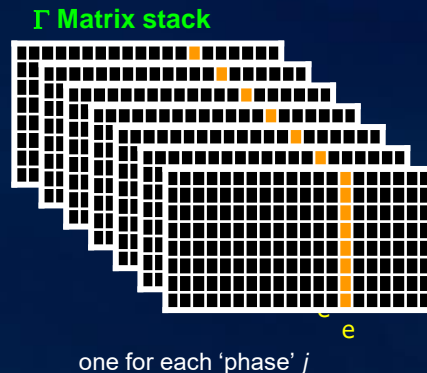
For each **element k image**, accumulate for each event (exy):

$$\delta C_k = \frac{\sum_j \Gamma_{kj}(e) \cdot \text{phase}_j(xy)}{\sum_j \text{phase}_j(xy)}$$

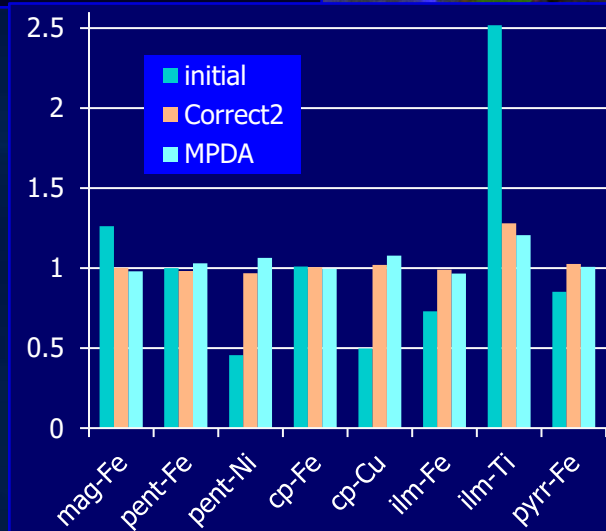
with each **DA matrix Γ** for **phase j** weighted by '**phase**' fraction.

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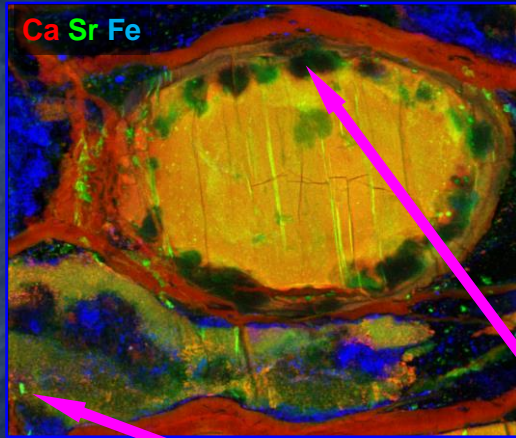


Comparisons to EMP point analyses



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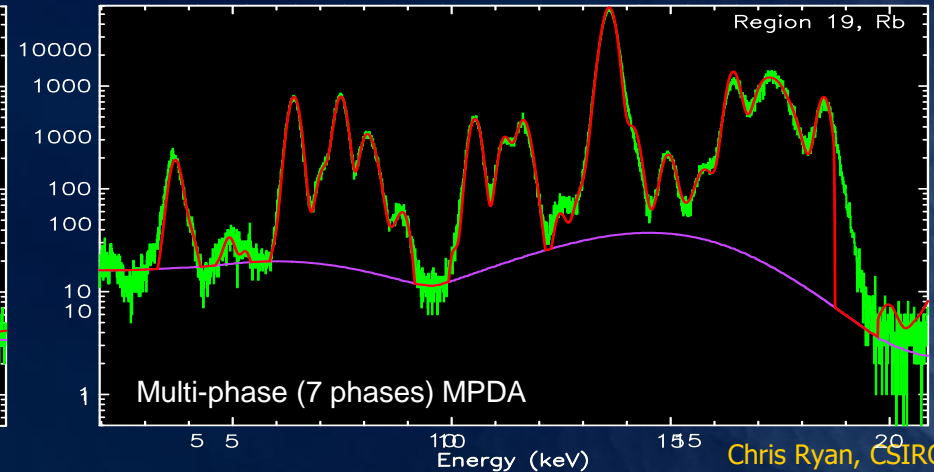
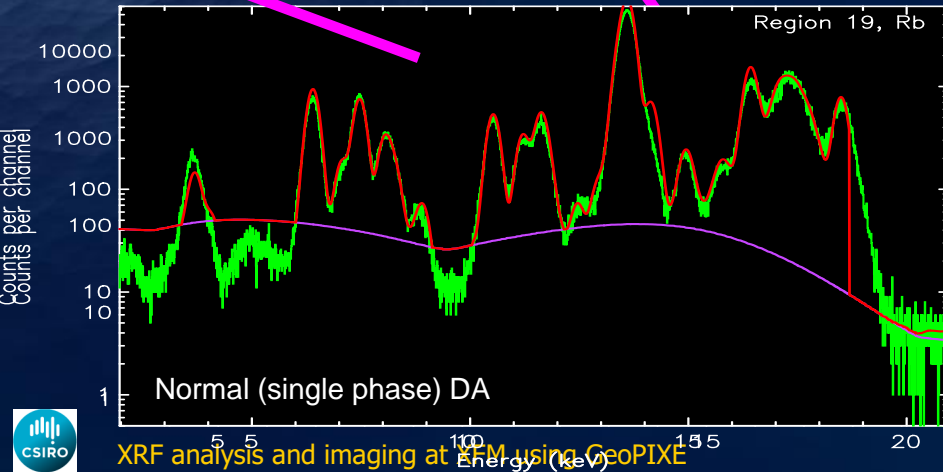
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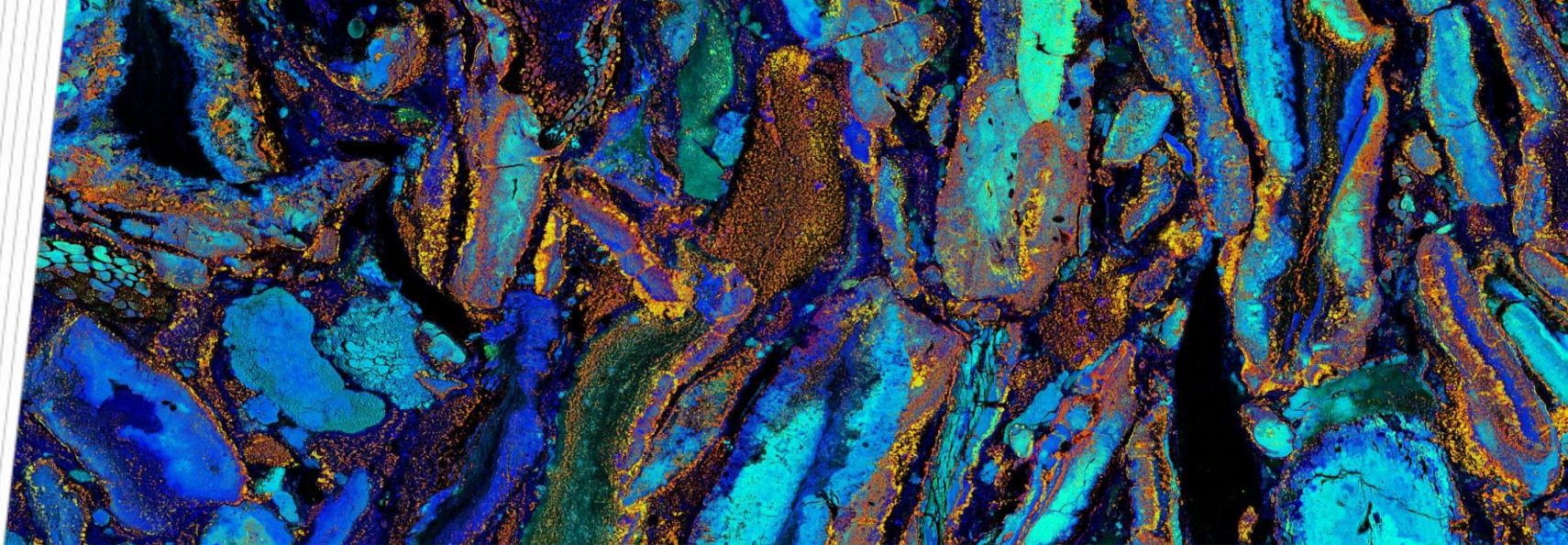
Reconstruct spectrum overlay

Terms:

- region 'conc' C_k
- 'pure' element spectra
- phase averaged yields $\langle Y \rangle_k$

$$\frac{Q \cdot \sum_k f_k \cdot \langle Y \rangle_k C_k \cdot \text{pure}_{kj} \cdot \text{phase}_j(\text{region})}{\sum_j \text{phase}_j(\text{region})}$$





Thank you

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