



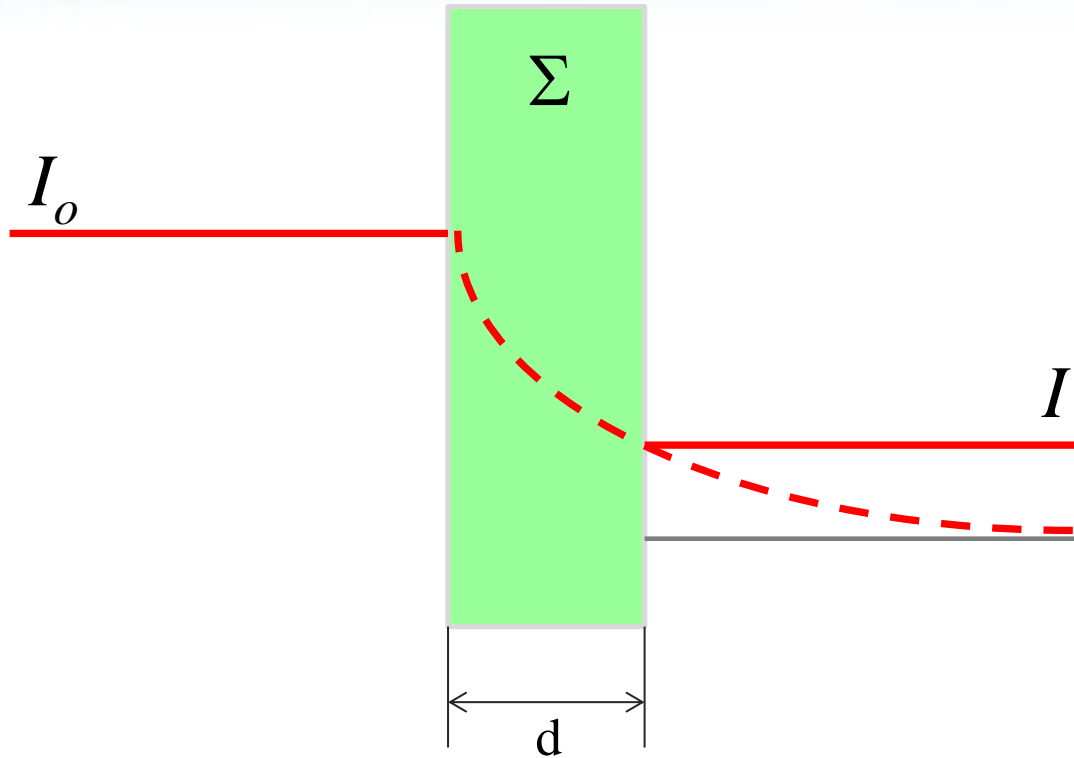
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Neutron Imaging

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Basic principle



$$I = I_0 e^{-\Sigma d}$$

Lambert-Beer law

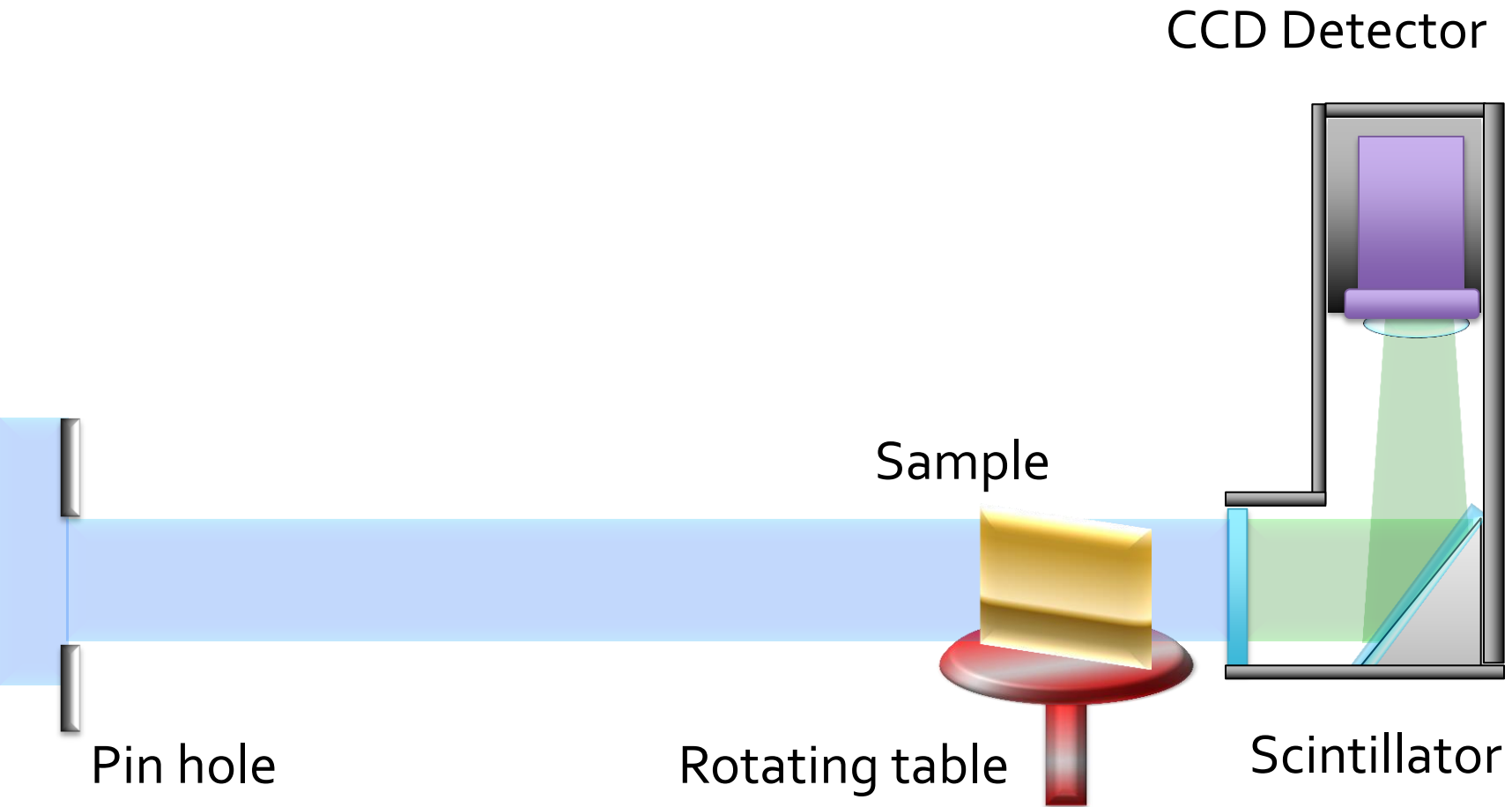
$$T = \frac{I}{I_0}$$

Transmittance

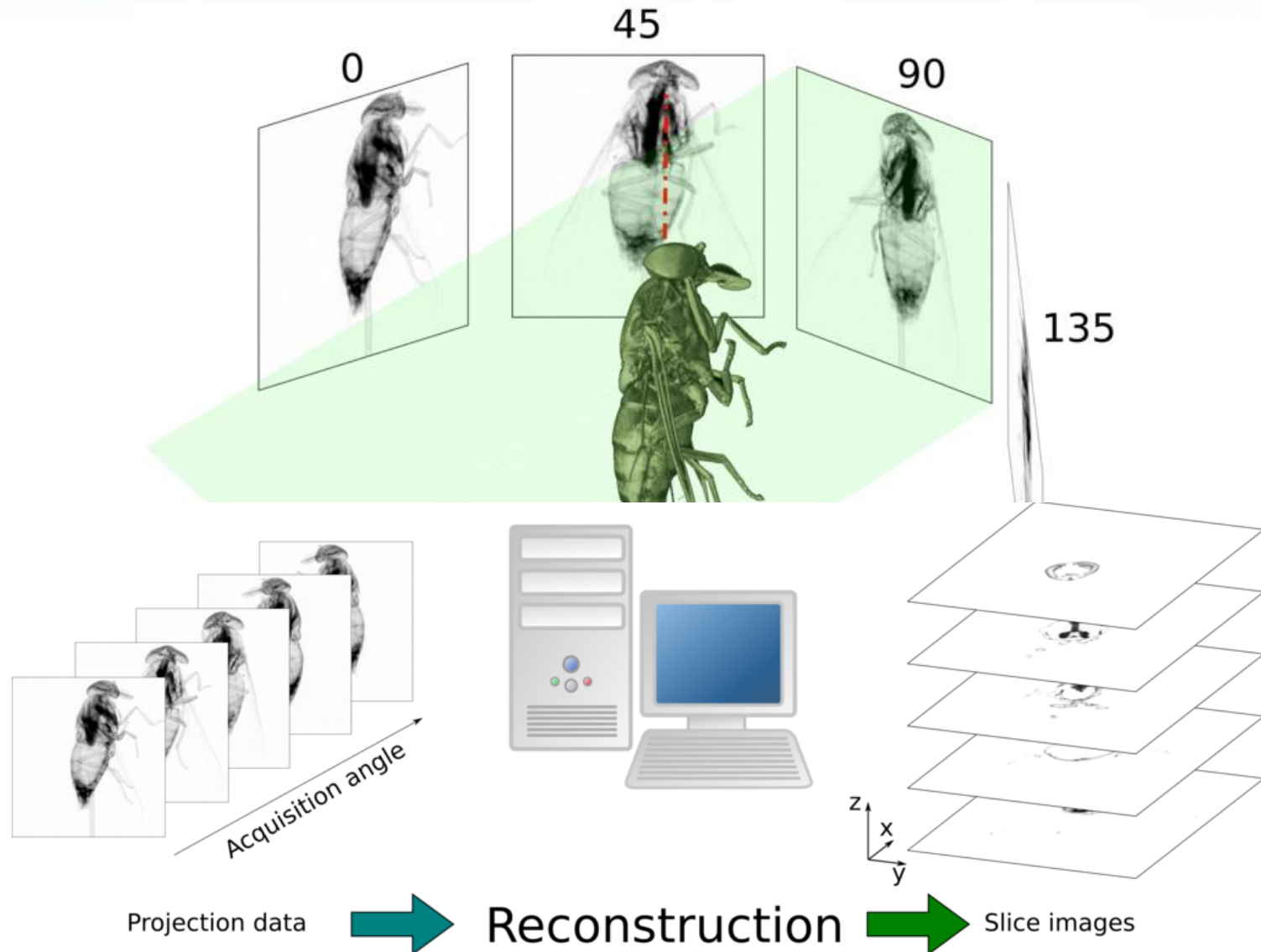
$$-\ln(T) = \Sigma d \quad \text{with} \quad \Sigma = \sigma n$$

Contrast \propto material (σ) & thickness (d)

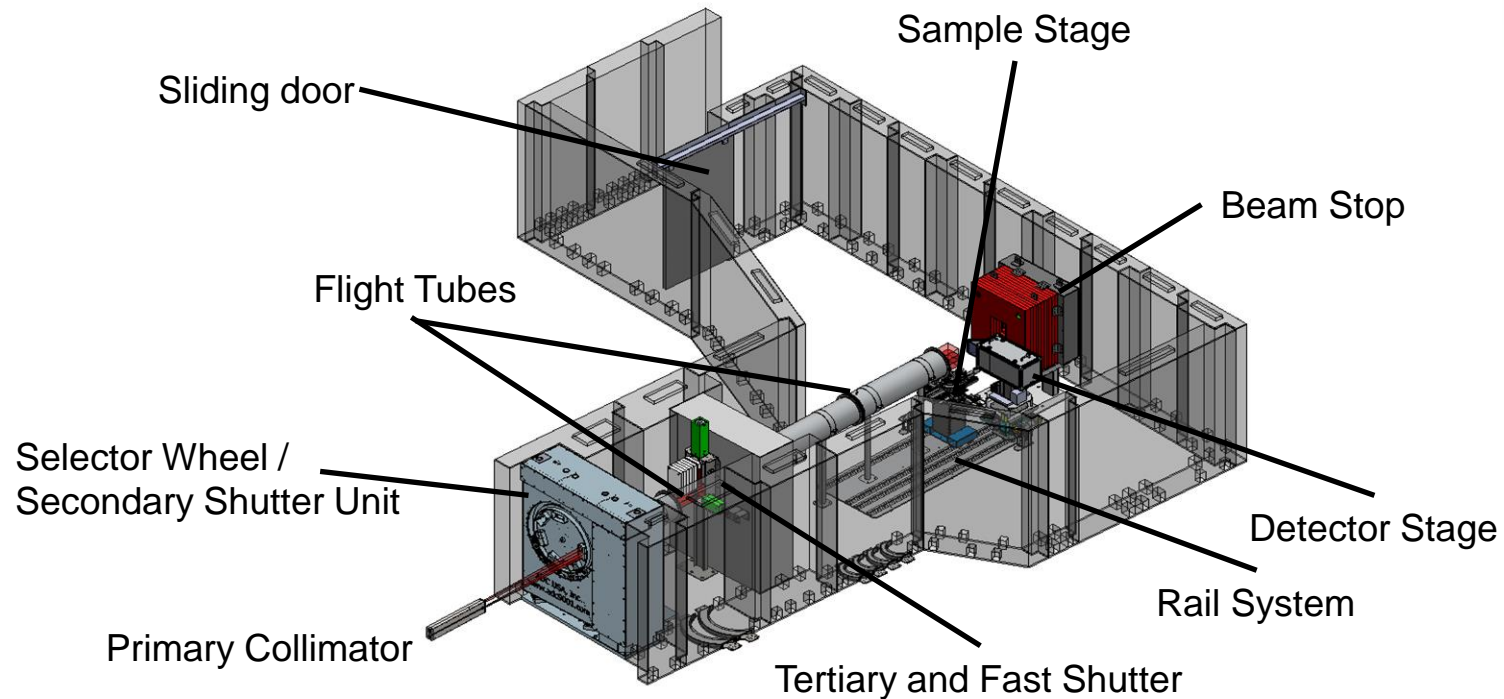
Instrument set-up



Computer tomography reconstruction

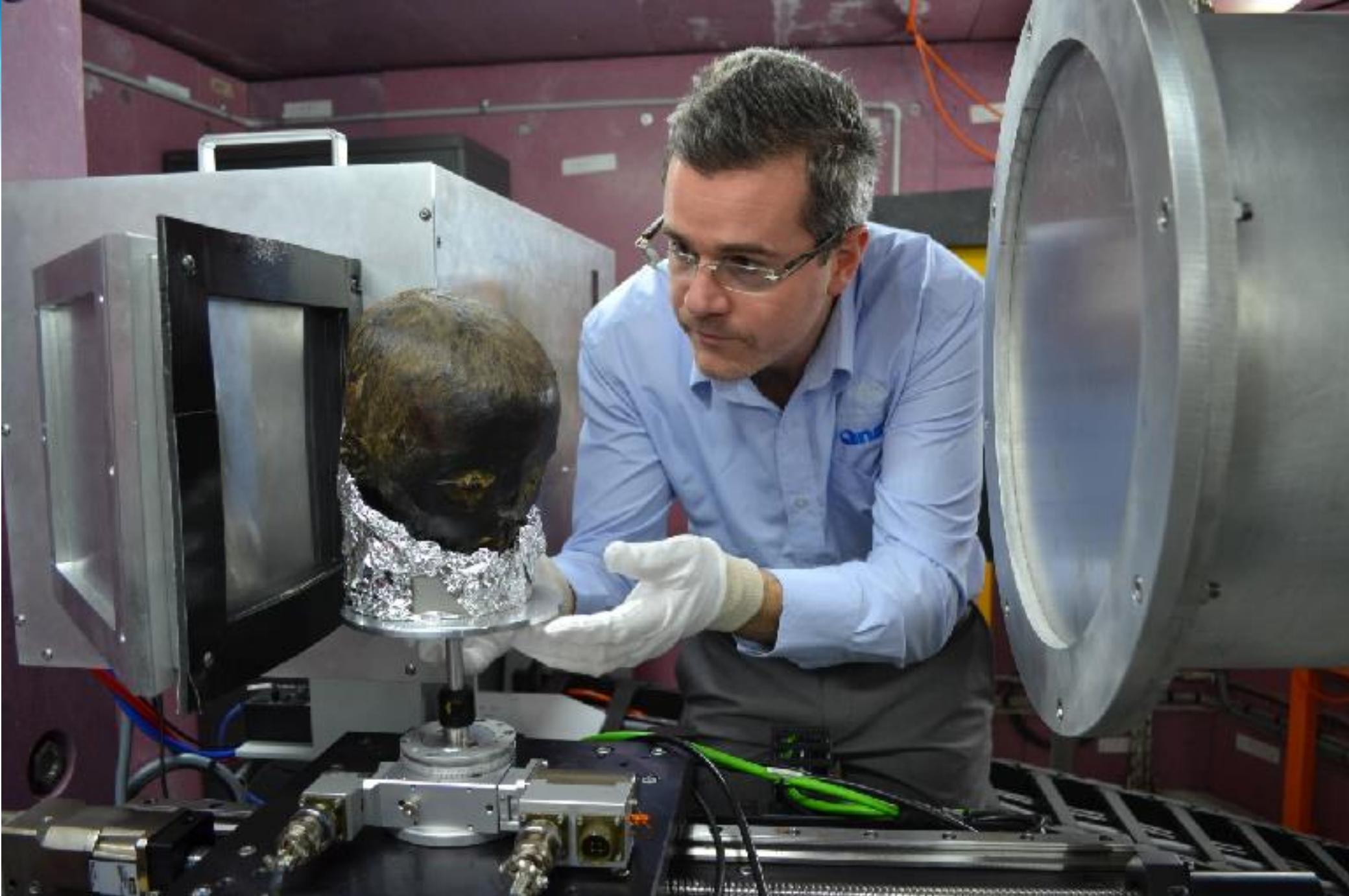


DINGO layout



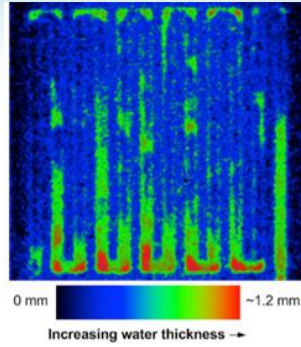
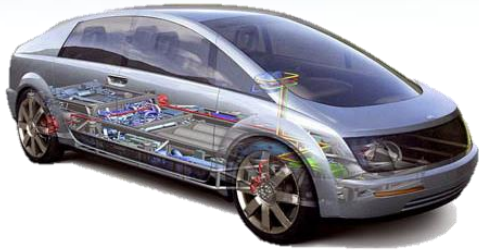
Technical details

- Ikon-I CCD, NEO CMOS camera
 - Two Zeiss macro lens (50mm and 100mm)
- Three beam sizes 200 x 200, 100 x 100 and 50 x 50 mm²
 - Pixel size 20 – 100 μm
 - 25fps fast imaging under development

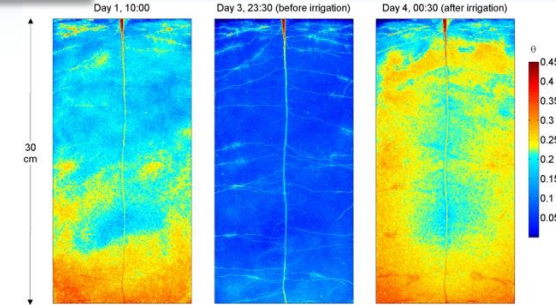


Applications Overview

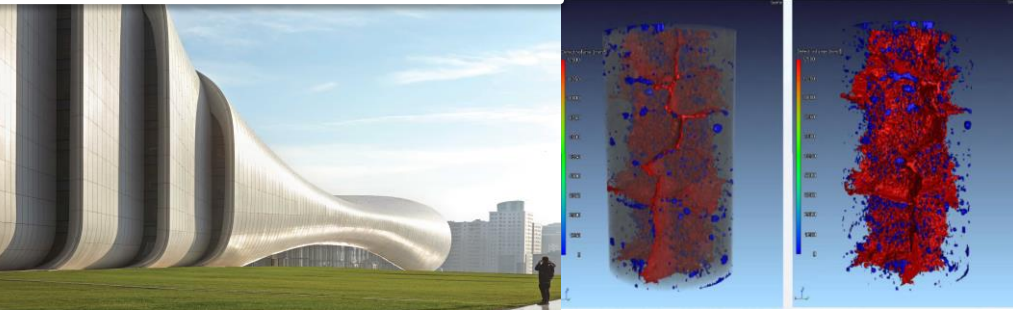
Energy



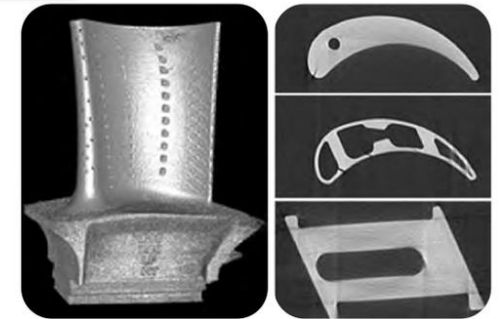
Agriculture & Food



Civil Engineering



Industrial Manufacture



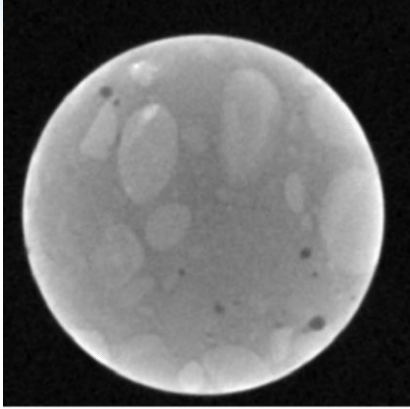
Geo & Planetary Science



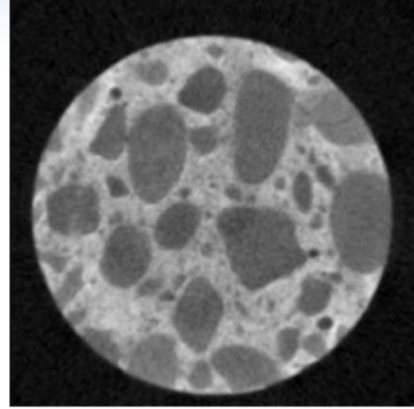
Biology



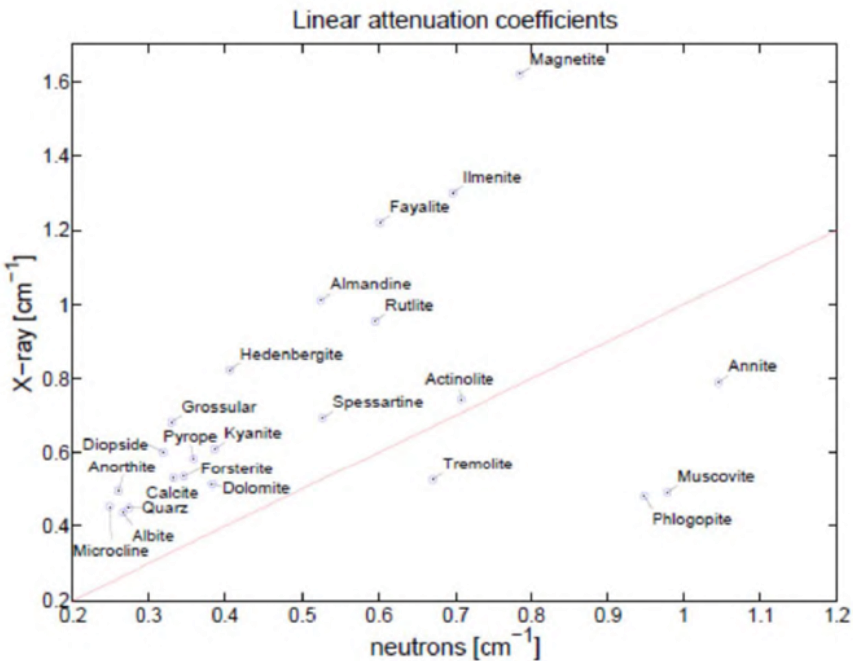
Civil engineering: Concrete



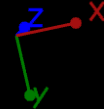
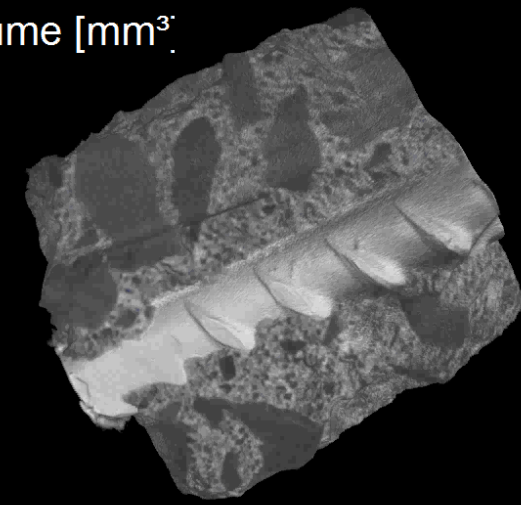
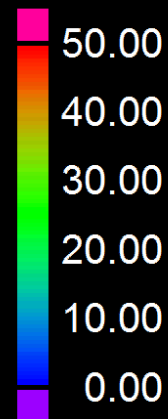
X-rays 250 kV



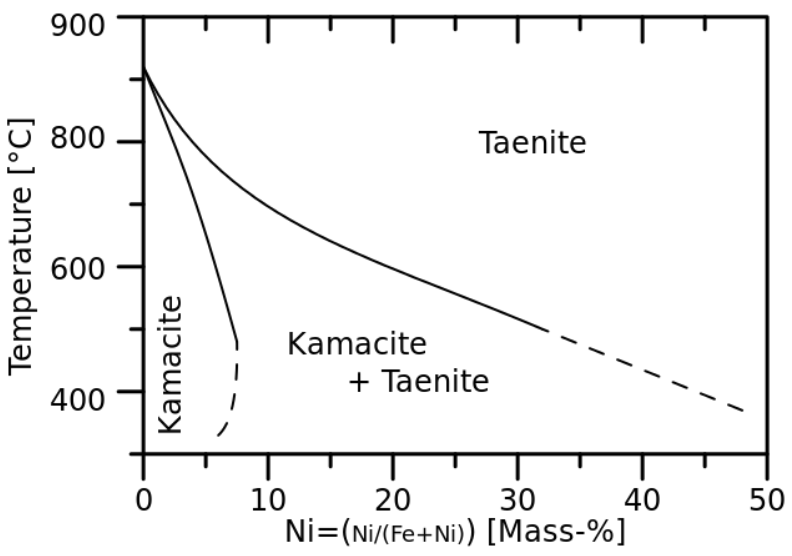
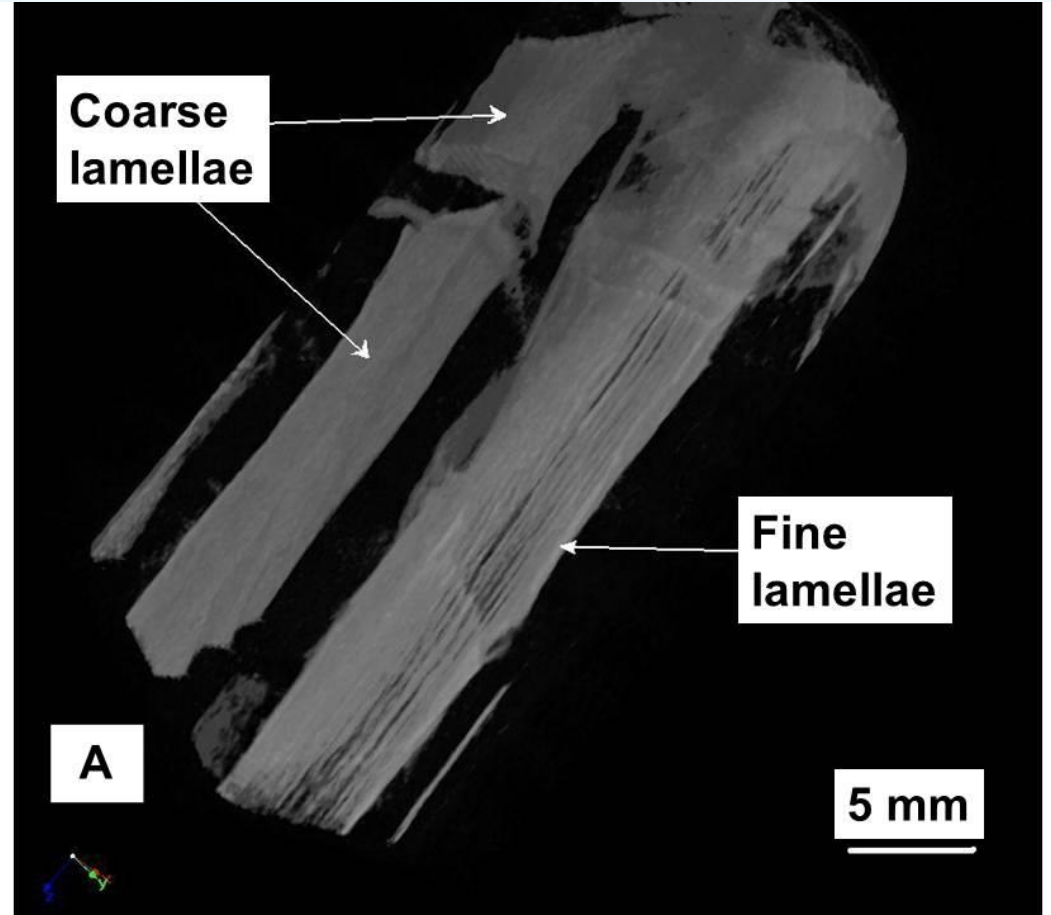
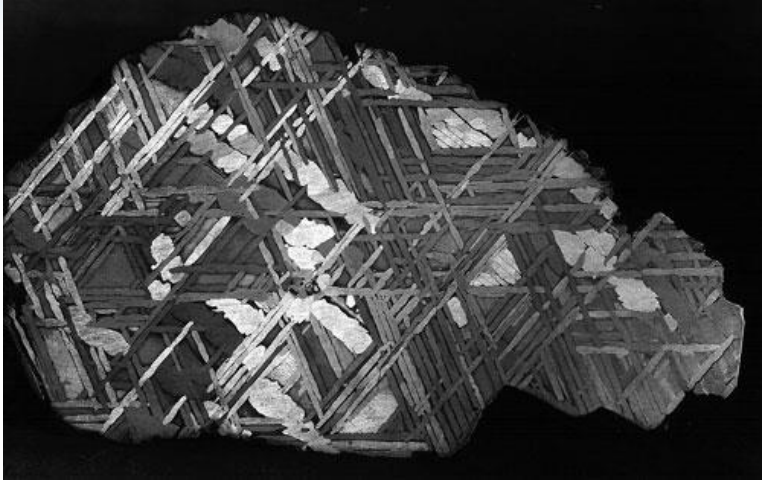
Thermal neutrons



Defect volume [mm^3]



Planetary Science: Iron meteorites



Catalogue number	Meteorite Name	Chemical group	Structural group
MSN-RI3218	Seymchan	Pallasite	Coarse octahedrite (Og)



Cultural Heritage: The incuse coinages

600 B.C.



Asia Minor: first recognize coins
Shortly after – all over Magna Graecia.

540 B.C.



Unique incuse technique developed by some Greek colonies in South Italy

440 B.C.

The technique disappears



non-incuse



incuse



Still no commonly accepted explanation about manufacture process



Kowari
Residual stress



Dingo
Radiography & Tomography



Echidna
High resolution powder

Incuse stater - Metapontum c. 550-500 BC



Incuse stater - Sybaris c. 550-500 BC

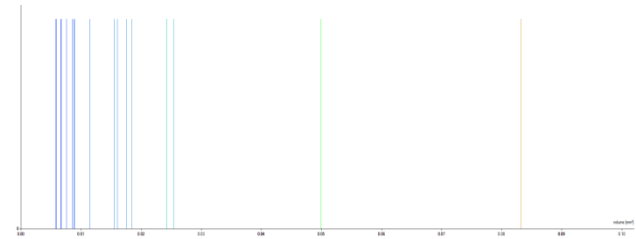
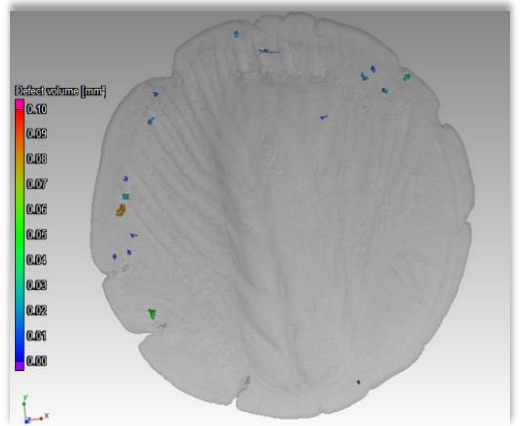


Non incuse stater - Naxos c. 550-500 BC



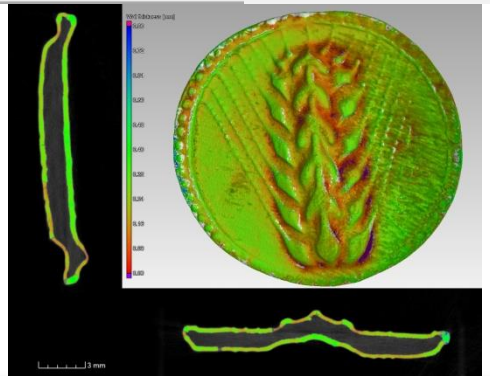
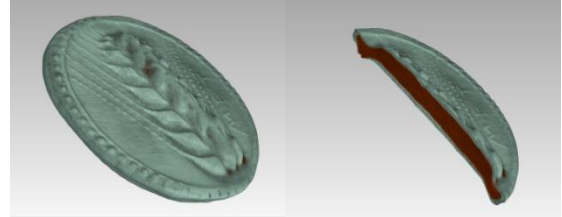
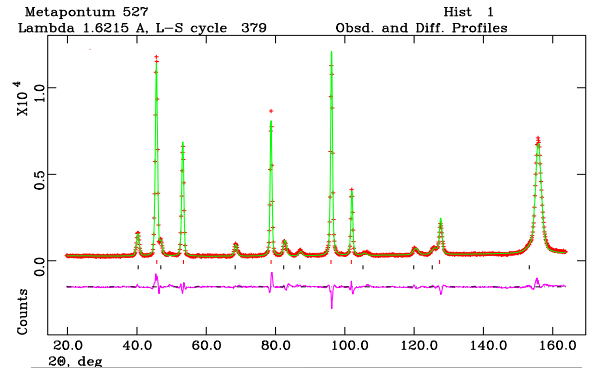
Manufacturing: hammering silver into a sheet, cutting off blanks and stamping the image.

Metapontum ACANS 525



Voids	
Σ Voids Volume	0.38 mm ³
Voids / Coin Volume	0.05%

Metapontum ACANS 526



Mint date 550-510 B.C.
Weight 7.43 g
Diameter 29 mm
Incuse

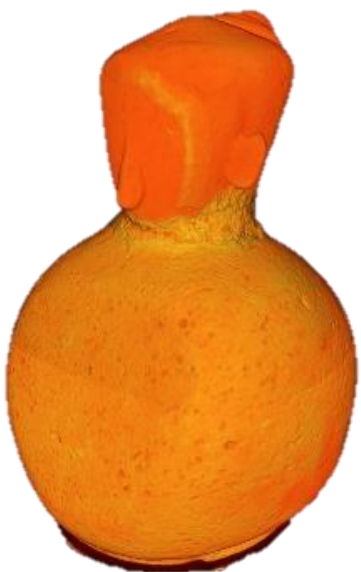


Mint date 510-470 B.C.
Weight 8.07 g
Diameter 24 mm
Incuse

Characterization of an Ancient Thai doll

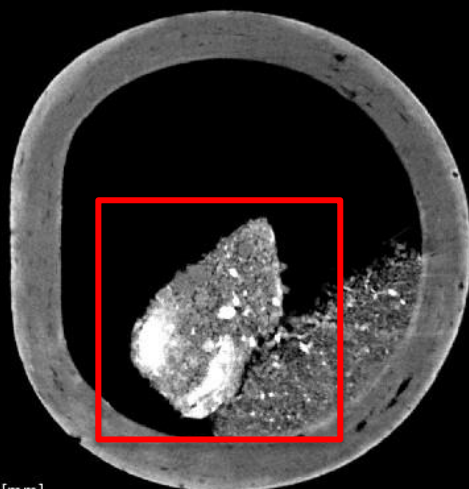


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Pottery,
1500 A.C. Thailand

Hidden component

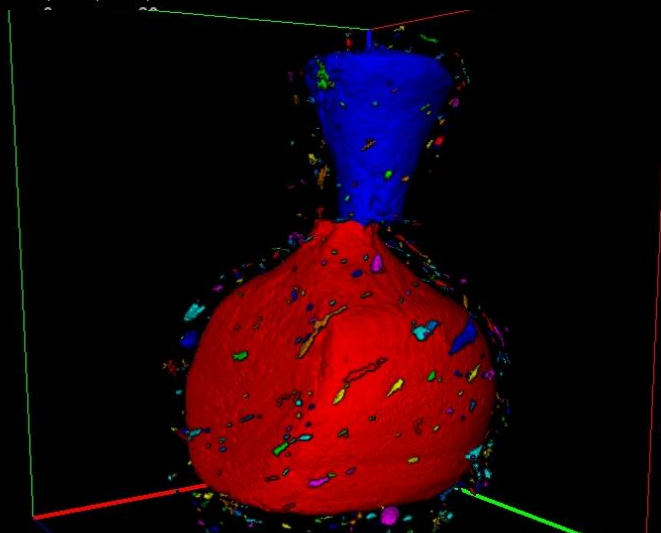


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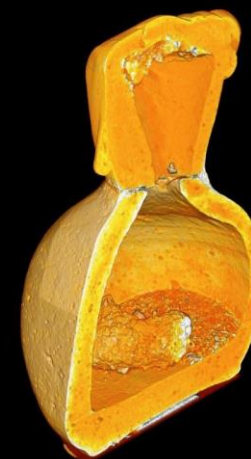
Past restoration



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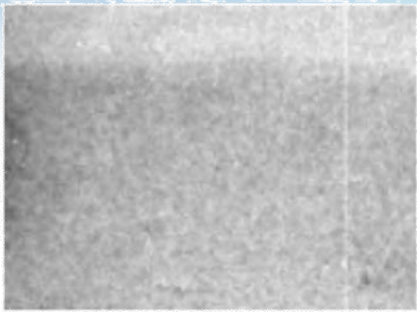


Manufacturing: 3D porosity map

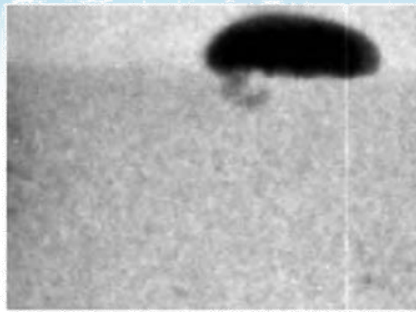


Isosurface extraction for 3D print

Dynamic process



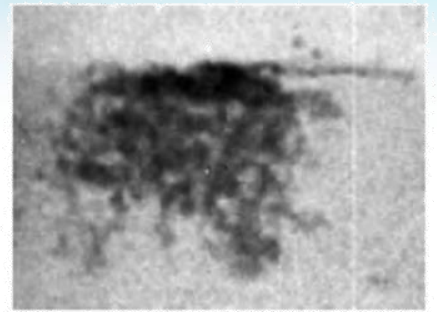
$t=0$ s



0.25 s



1.25 s



2.75 s

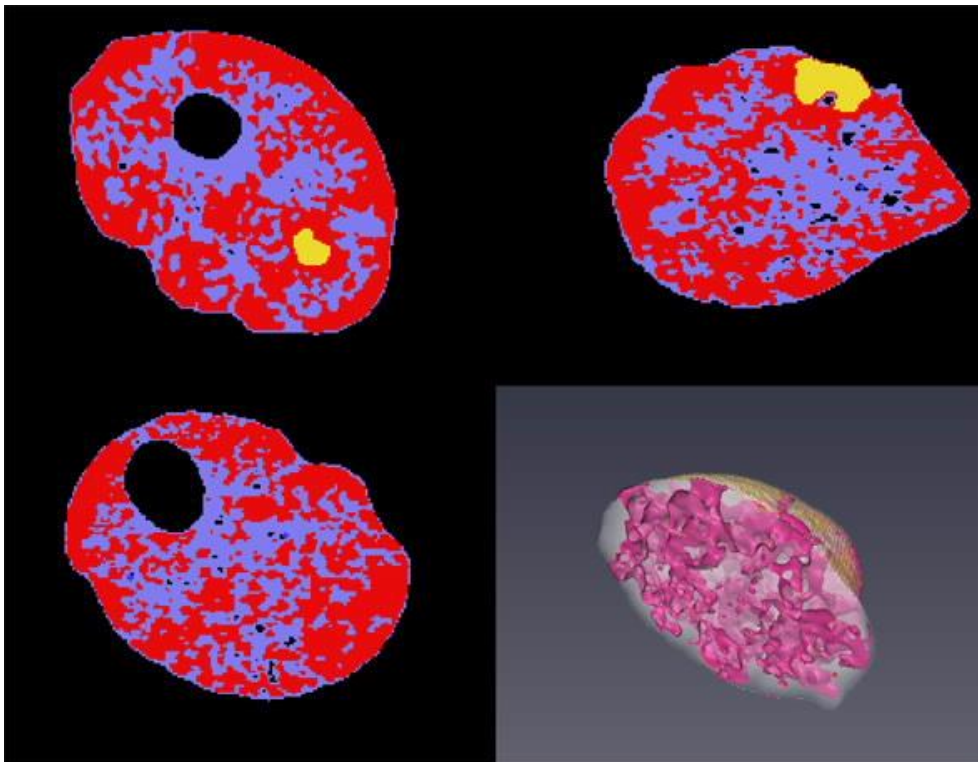


Curiosity

Non-invasive three-dimensional reconstruction of ancient opalised pearls reveals structure

South
Australian
Museum

The world's first recorded opalised pearls, relics of creatures in an ancient inland sea dating back 65 million years, were unearthed by two miners in the South Australian outback, and have been studied, by means of neutron imaging in collaboration with Dr. Ben Grguric (South Australian Museum).



Cross sections along three directions of an opalised pearl 3D tomographic reconstruction appears in lower right corner.

[ABC Media Release](#)

The screenshot shows the ABC News website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'NEWS' and 'ABC' logos, and a location dropdown set to 'Sydney, NSW'. Below the navigation bar are social media sharing options for Print, Email, Facebook, Twitter, and More. The main headline reads 'Opalised pearls dating back 65 million years unearthed by miners sifting Coober Pedy spoil heap' by Tom Fedorowytson, posted on 6 Feb 2016. Below the headline is a photograph of two opalised pearls, one large and one small, both exhibiting iridescent colors. A caption below the photo states: 'PHOTO: The opalised pearls are not so valuable as gems but priceless to science, the SA Museum's Dr Ben Grguric says. (Supplied: South Australian Museum)'. At the bottom of the article, there's a text block: 'The world's first recorded opalised pearls, relics of creatures in an ancient inland sea dating back 65 million years, have been unearthed by two miners in the South Australian outback.' and a map link: 'MAP: Coober Pedy 5723'.

Conclusions

Neutron imaging

Technical advantages

- High penetration power
- Complementary contrast
- Non-invasive method

Materials

- Metals
- Ceramics
- Rocks
- Fossils
- Organic materials

Typical Investigations

- Civil Engineer
- Material Science
- Geoscience
- Planetary science
- Biology
- Medicine
- Palaeontology
- Cultural Heritage
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Outcome

- Structural and Morphological bulk analysis
- Porosity, inclusions and defects evaluation
- Volume segmentation and quantification
- 3-D modelling

Proposal Deadline 15/09/2016



Nuclear-based science benefiting all Australians

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<https://neutron.ansto.gov.au/Bragg/proposal/index.jsp>