

# 9th Workshop on RF SUPERCONDUCTIVITY

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DESY

1. PROJECTS USING SRF
2. STATE-OF-THE-ART HIGH GRADIENT CAVITIES
3. LIMITATIONS OF SRF CAVITIES AND POSSIBLE CURES
4. OTHER FABRICATION TECHNIQUES
5. CONCLUSION

# SRF PROJECTS

"A SELECTION"

EXISTING: ATLAS

JAERI

ION

ALPI

LHC

PROTONS

LEP

ELECTRONS

CESR

KEK-B (TRISTAN)

HERA e-ring

CÉSAR

TTF

COMING UP: RIA

IPHI

TRASCO

APT

SNS ?

KEK/JAERI

TESLA

# HIGH GRADIENT CAVITIES

- NIOBIUM MULTI-CELL CAVITIES

EXAMPLE: TTF

f            1,3 GHz  
Cells        9

- LIMITATIONS:

FE

Q-DROP WITHOUT X-RAYS

- UNDERSTANDING THE Q-DROP

- SURFACE ANALYSIS

ROUGHNESS, CHEMICAL COMPOSITION, ...

- IN-SITU BAKING AT 100°C

LOW FIELD      → POSSIBLE O-DIF

HIGH FIELD      → ?? A LOT OF IDEAS

PRIZE:

BOTTLE OF

CHAMPAGNE

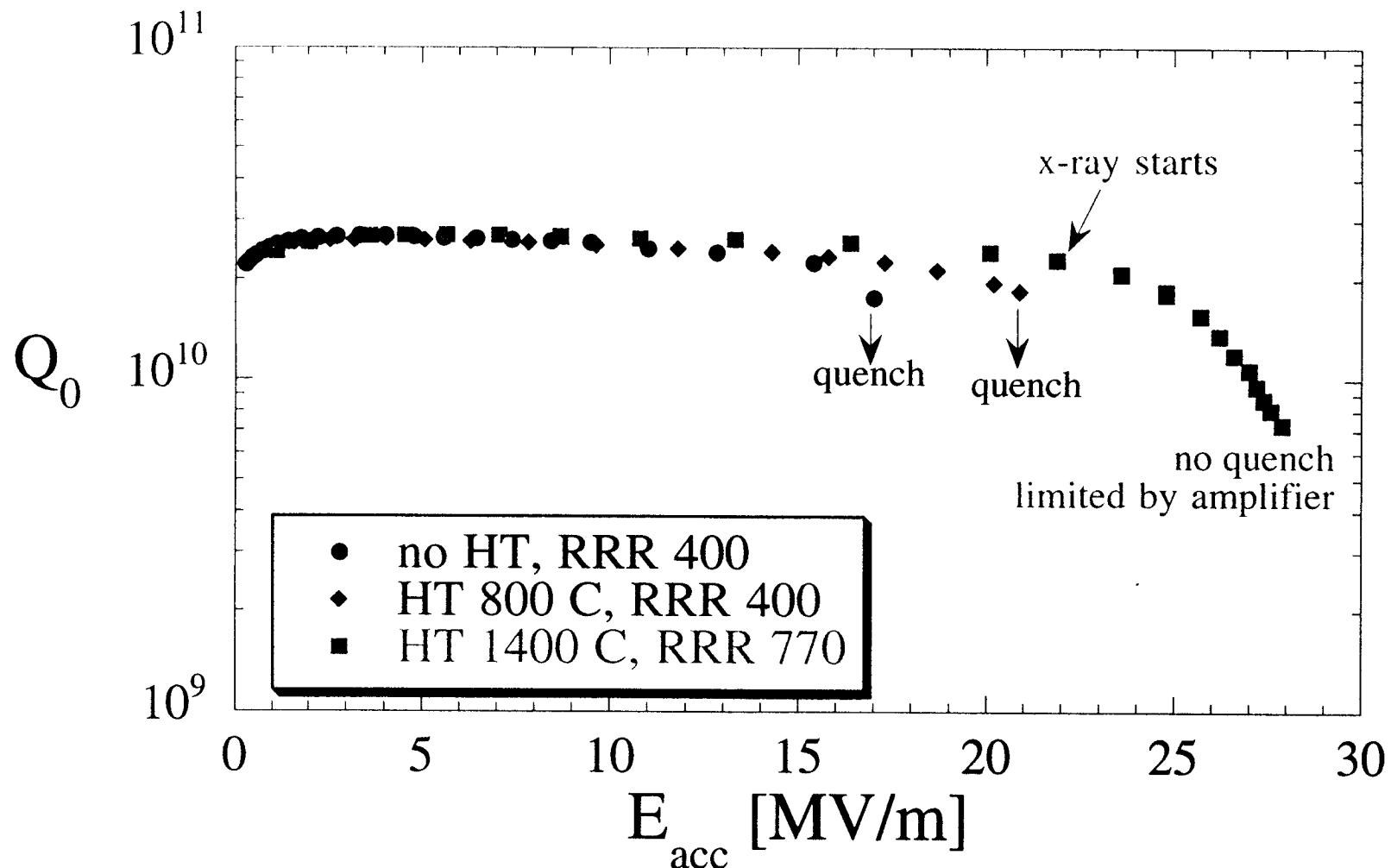


- E-FIELD ENHANCEMENT
- H-FIELD               "
- OXYGEN, HYDROGEN
- CHEMICAL RESIDUES
- THERMAL FEEDBACK

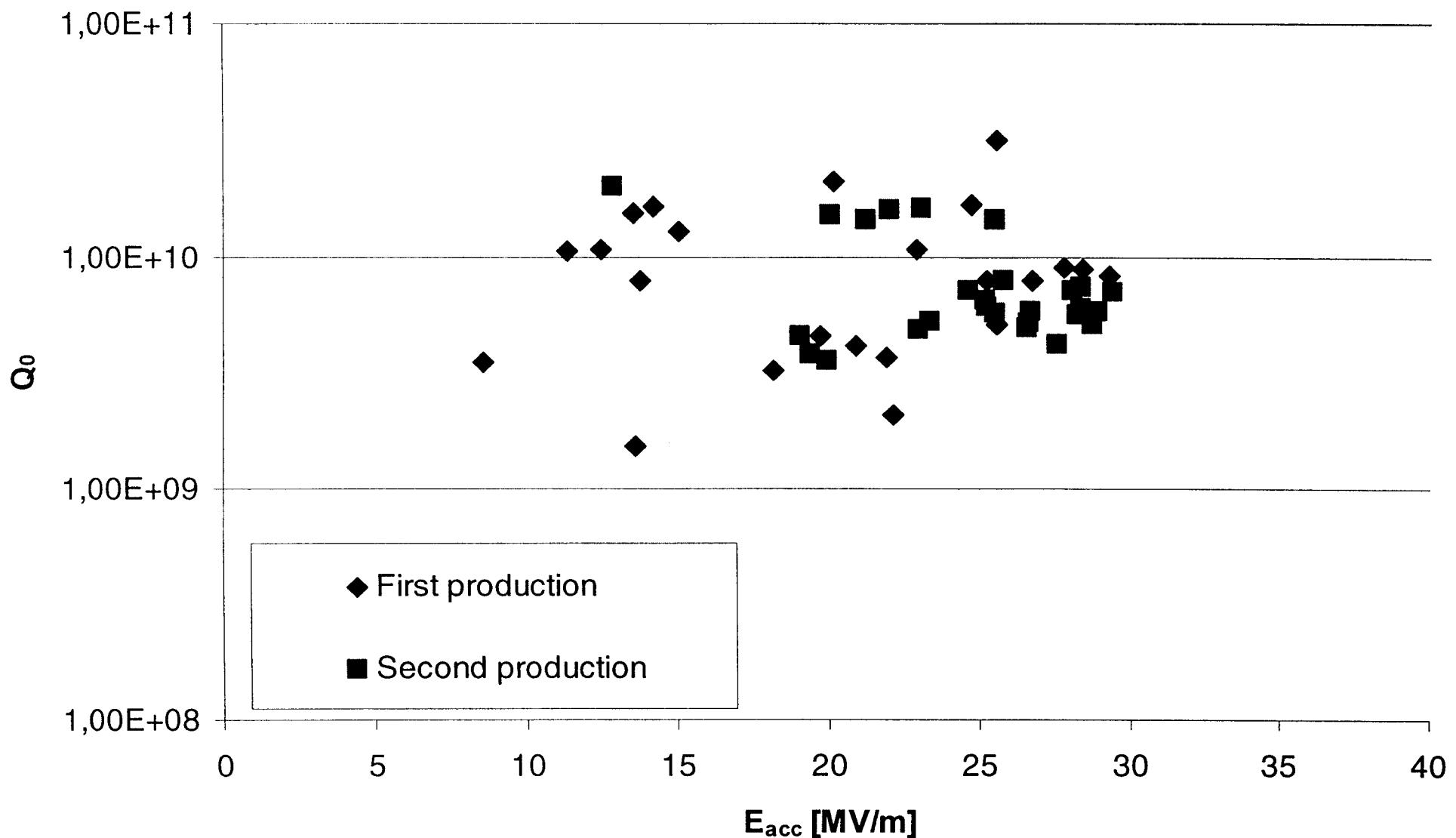
# Current cavity production

- Eddy-current scanned niobium sheets (RRR=300) to avoid tantalum and other inclusions (Singer TUA007)
- Electron-beam welding
- 1400 °C heat treatment with titanisation to increase thermal conductivity
- Chemical etching with BCP 1:1:2

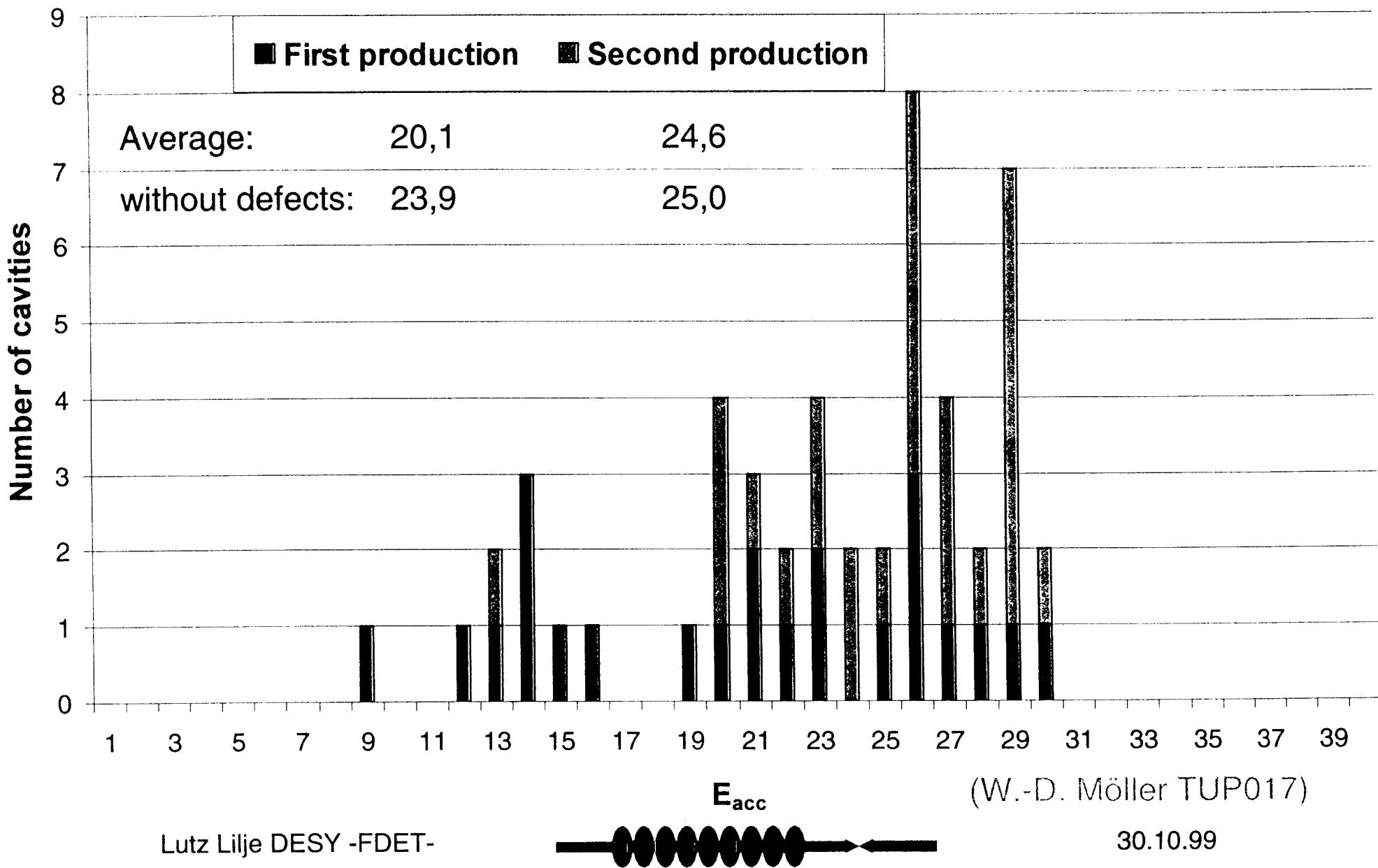
# Benefit of heat-treatment on cavity C21



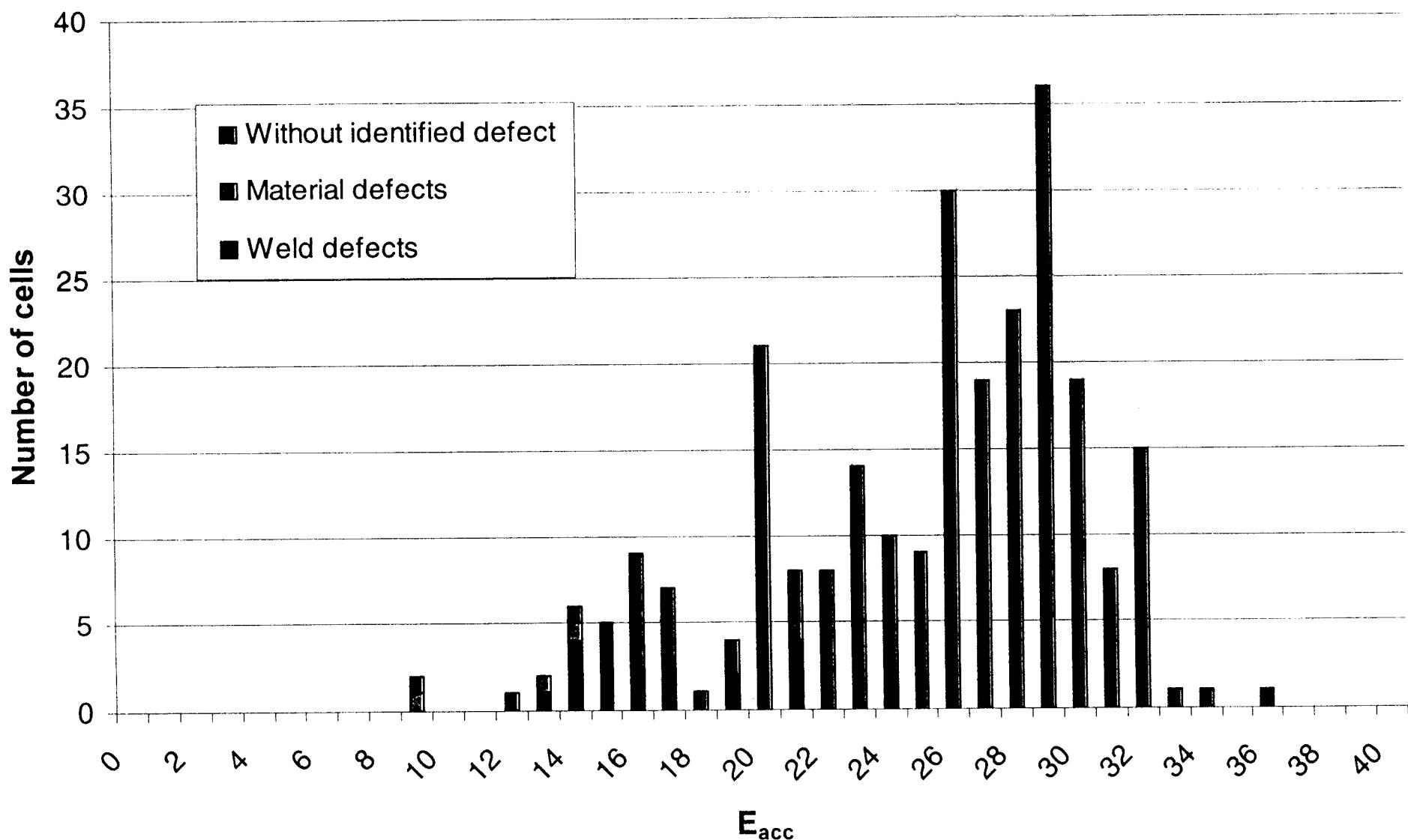
# Vertical test results of 9-cells



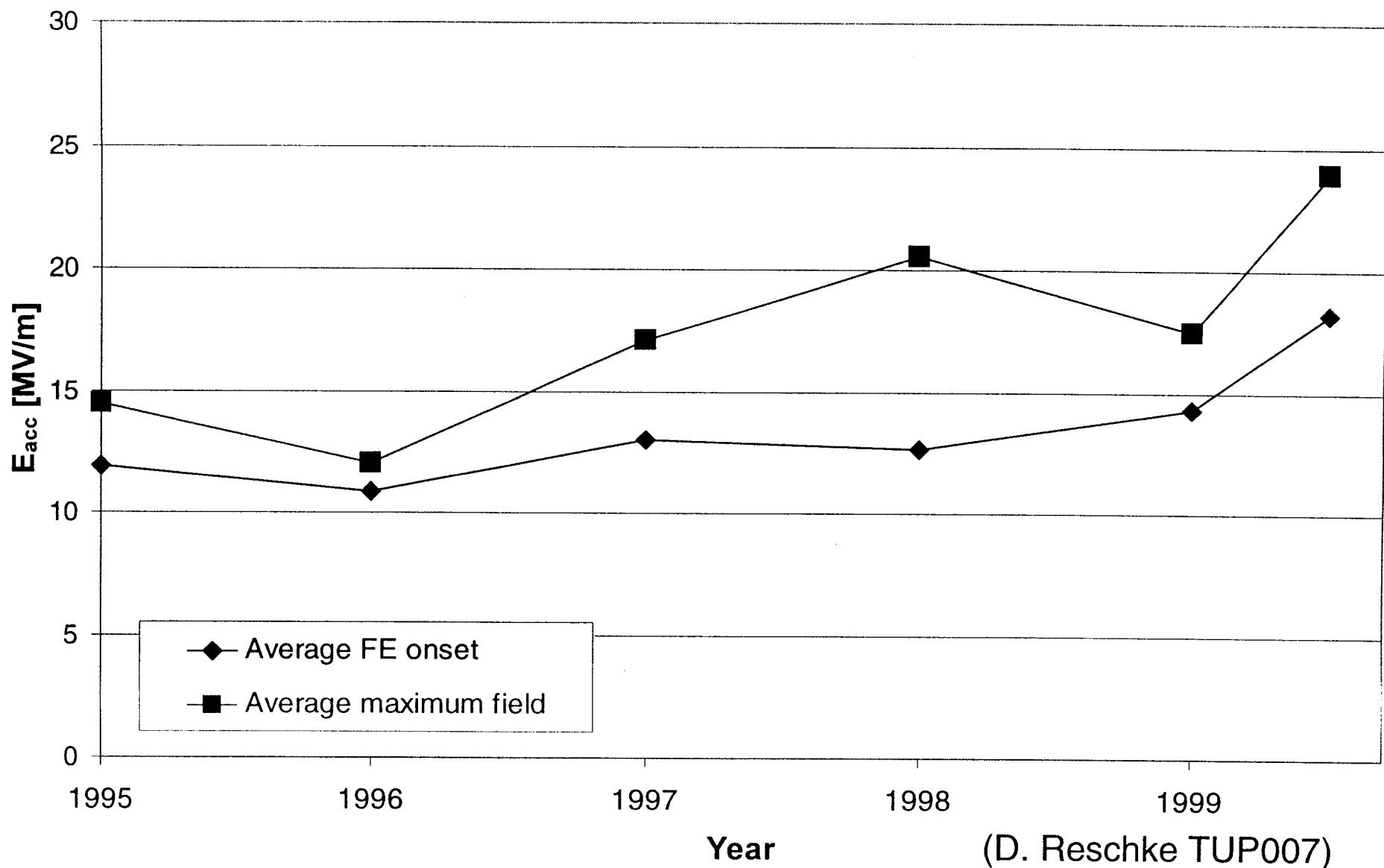
# CW test results for 9-cell cavities



# Mode analysis - Identified defects

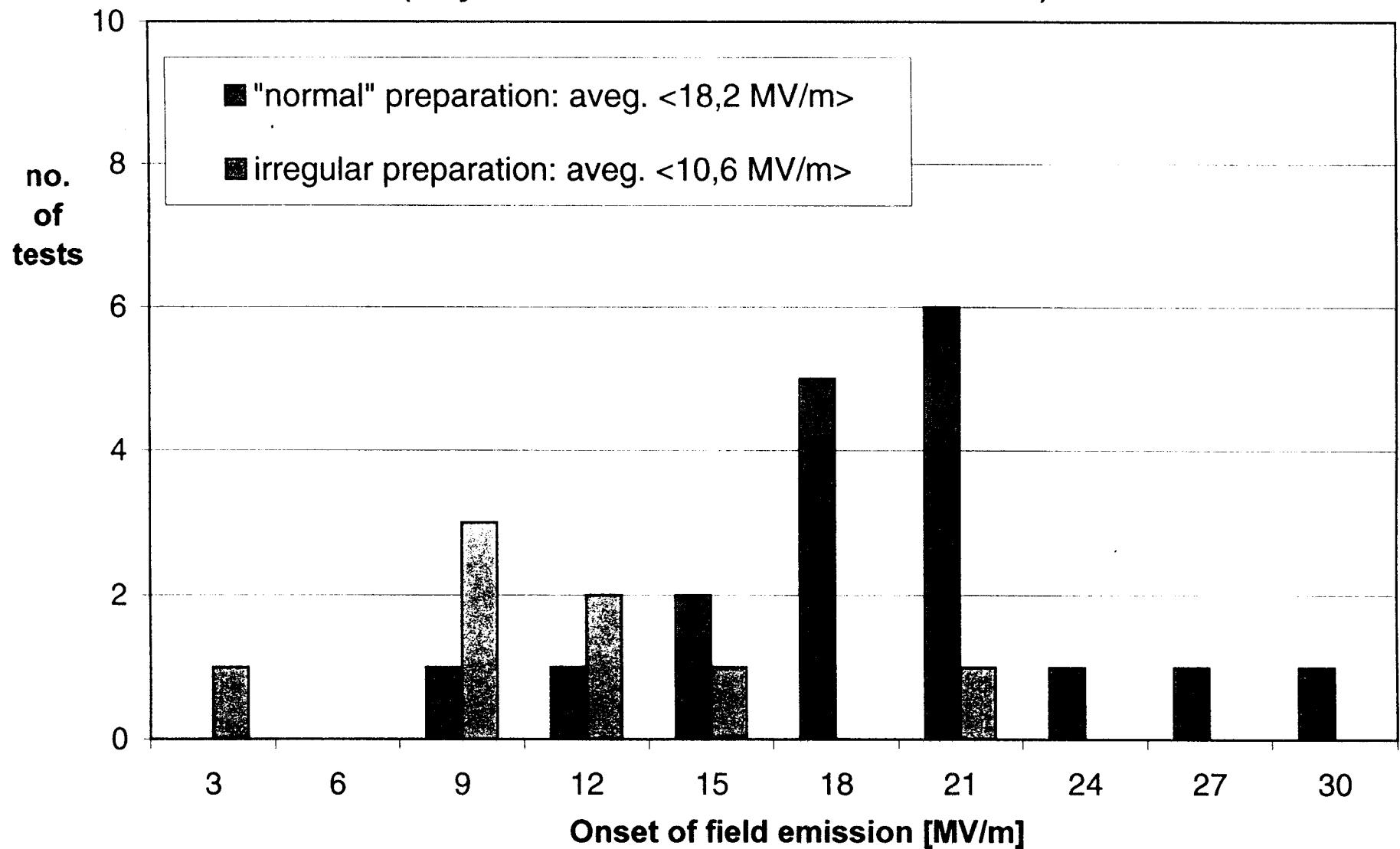


# Limitation: Field Emission

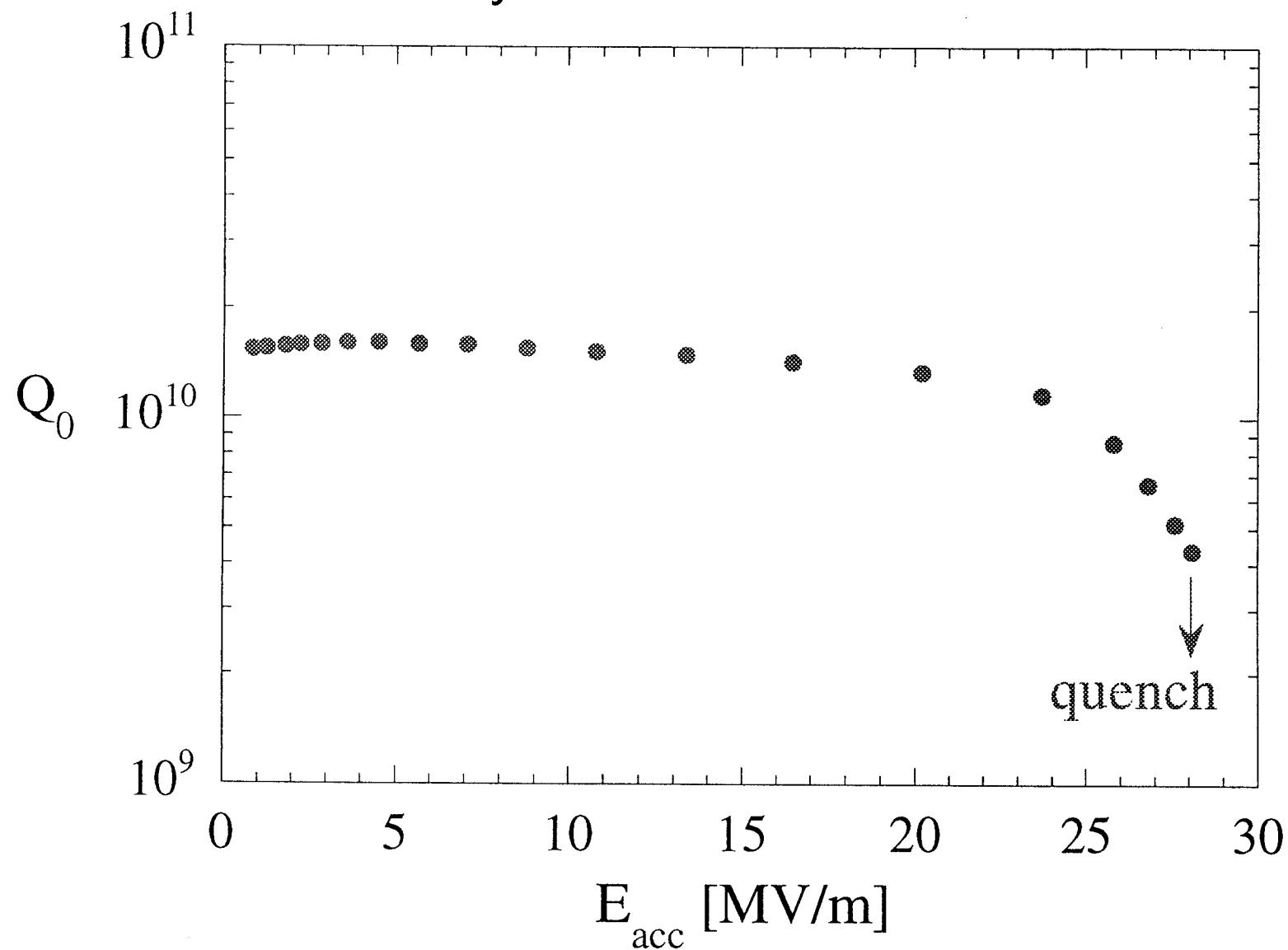


(D. Reschke TUP007)

**Comparison of field emission onset (1. power rise)  
of "normal" and irregular preparations  
(only vertical tests of 9-cell cavities in 1999)**

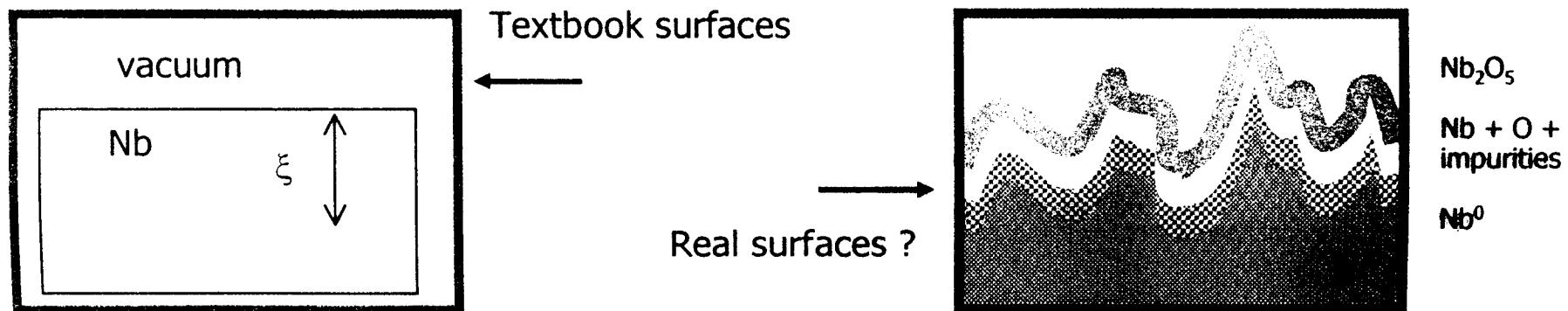


TTF 9-cell cavity showing Q degradation above 25 MV/m  
without any evidence of field emission



# Alternative surface treatment

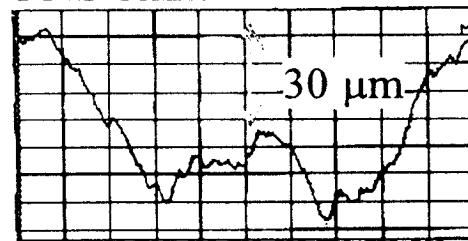
- Impossible to test all possible surface treatments
- Surface studies on samples : what criteria ?
  - Large scale roughness (influence on magnetic field ?)
  - Small scale roughness (influence on superconducting properties ?)
  - Surface chemical composition (role of impurities ?)
  - Role of the oxide layer (stress induced on the Nb lattice ?)



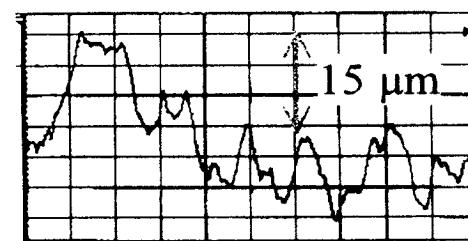
# Niobium surface studies

*monocrystal*

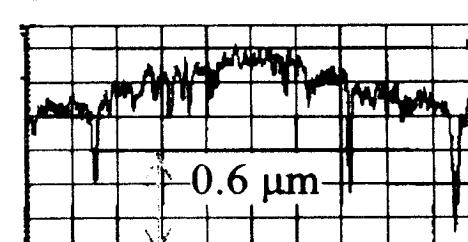
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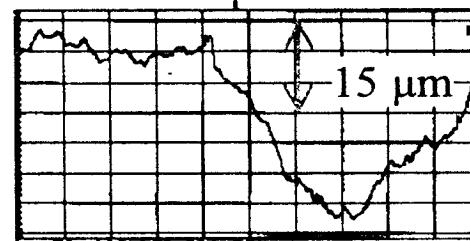
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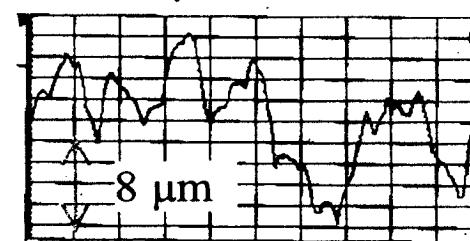
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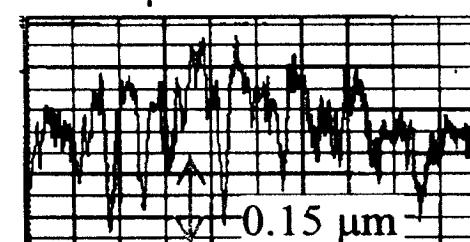
FNS 500μm



FNP500μm

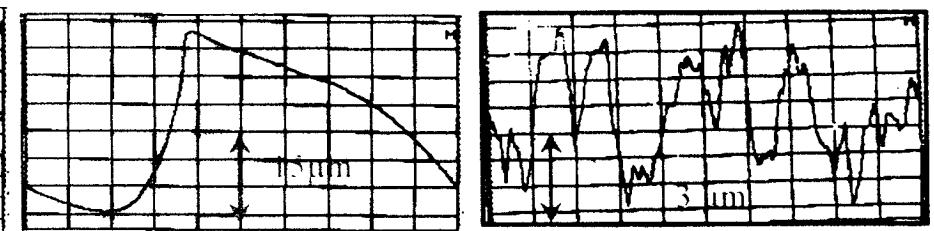


EP500μm



## ■ Roughness

- depends from the observing scale...



*Polycrystal,  
post purified*

1mm

Polycrystal

- ...and the crystallographic state.

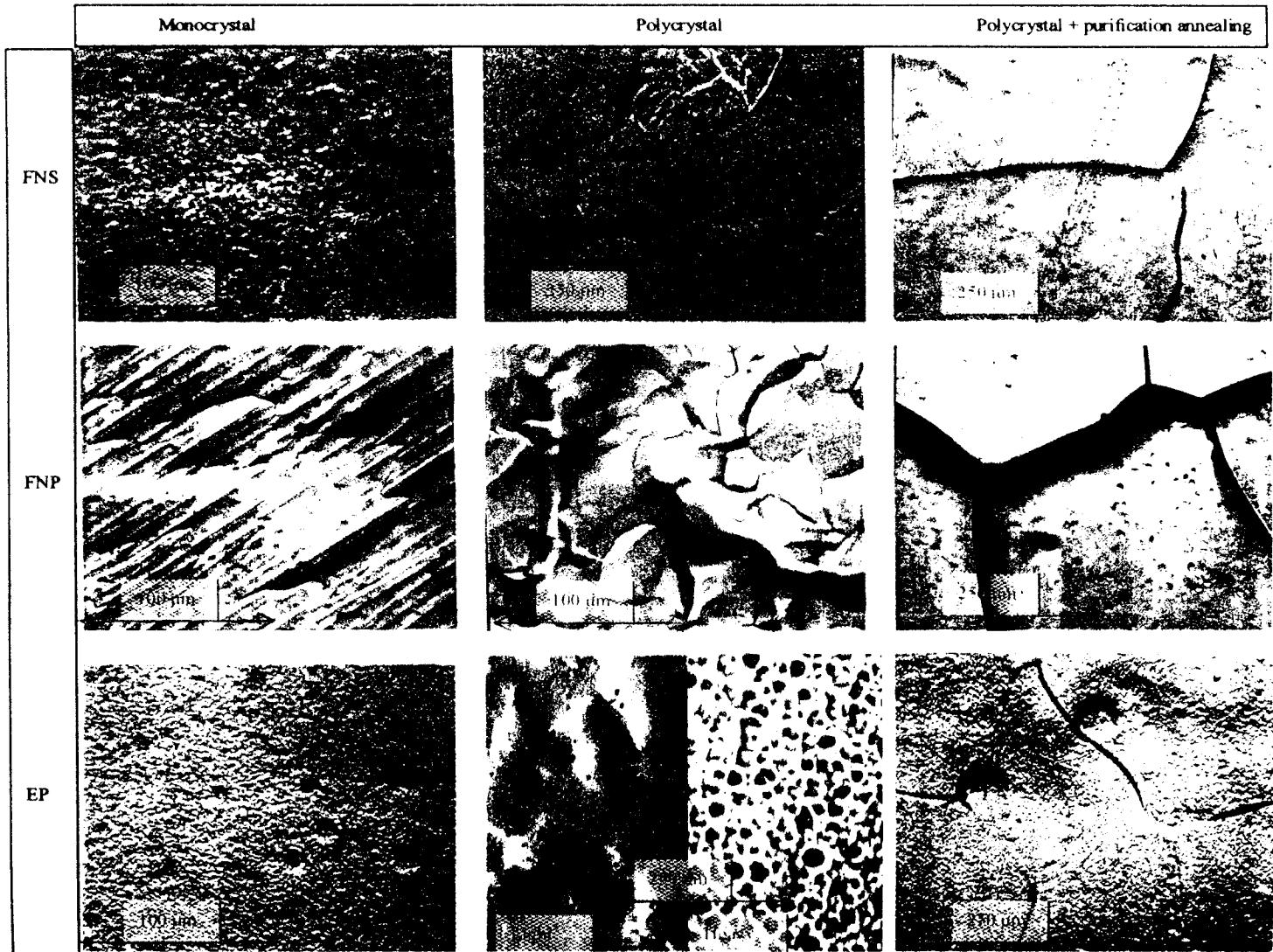
← 1mm →

← 500 μm →

# Niobium surface studies

## I Microscopy

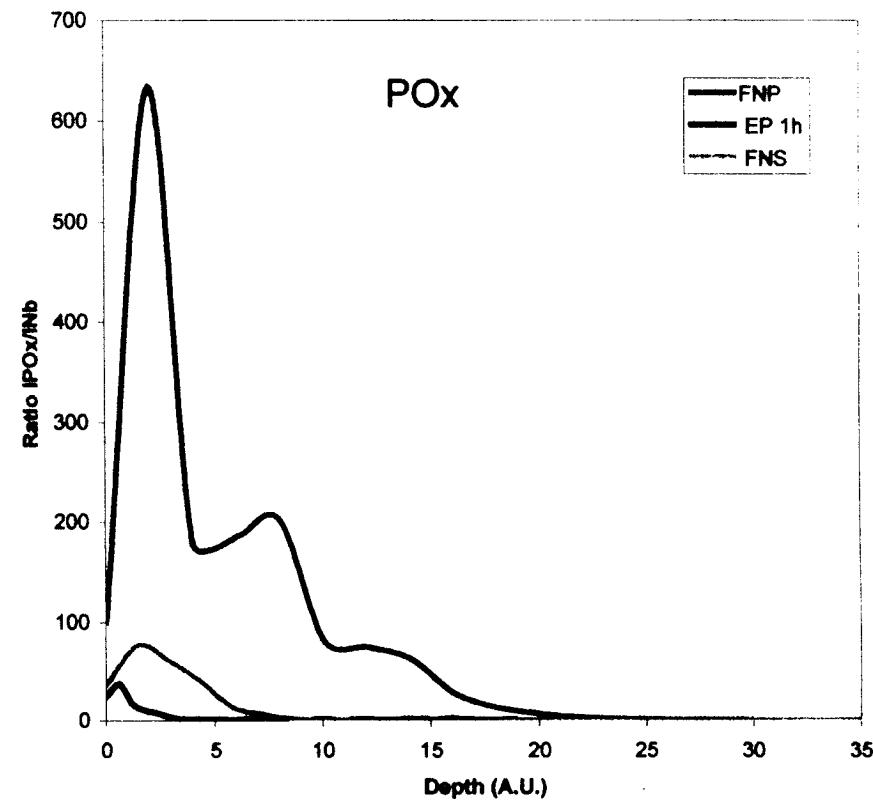
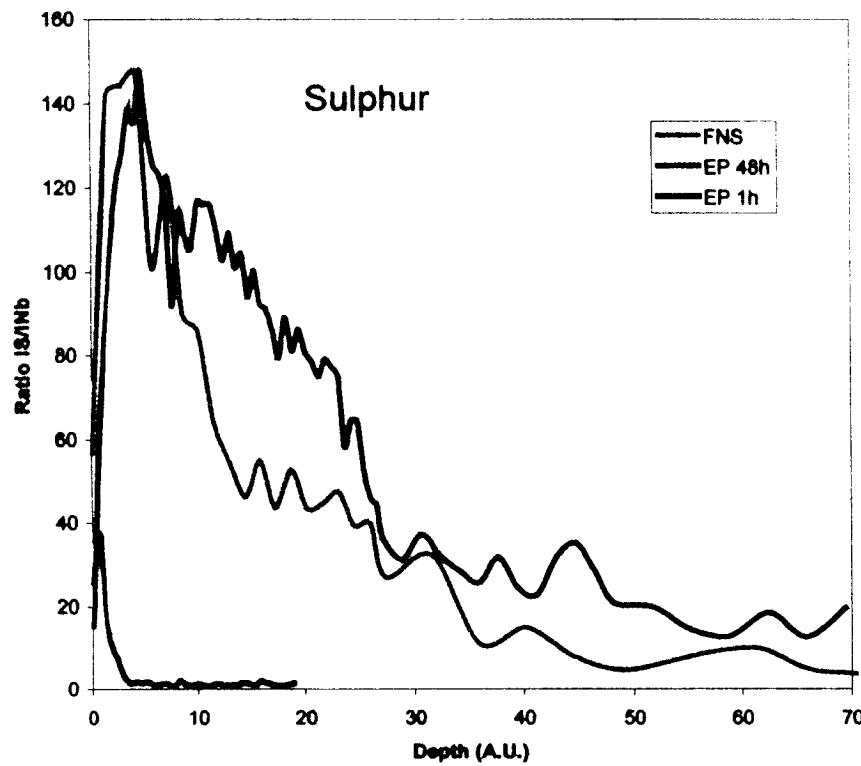
The morphology of the Nb surface is strongly affected by the purity & the crystallographic state

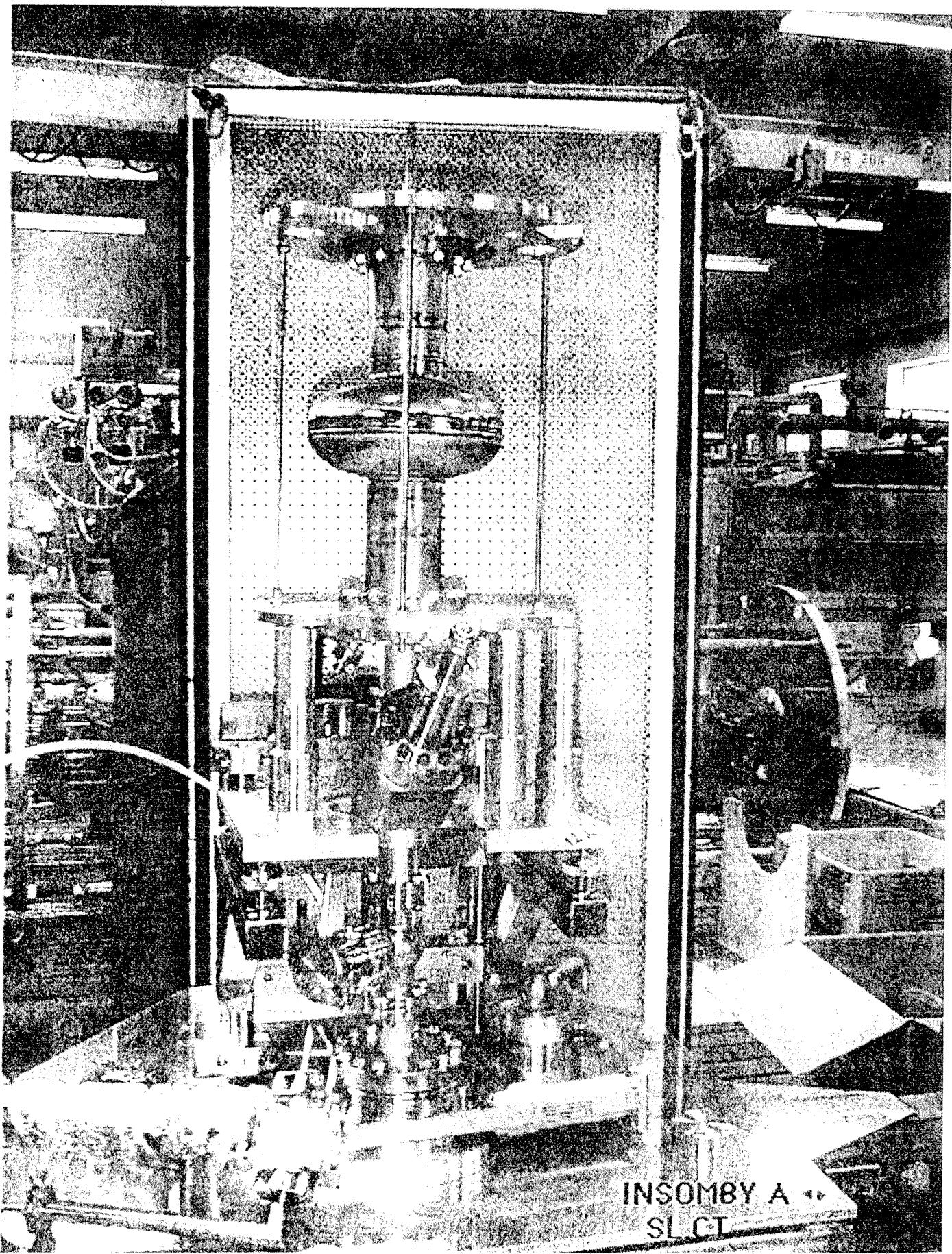


# Niobium surface studies

Anion insertion in the oxide layer

■ TOF-SIMS

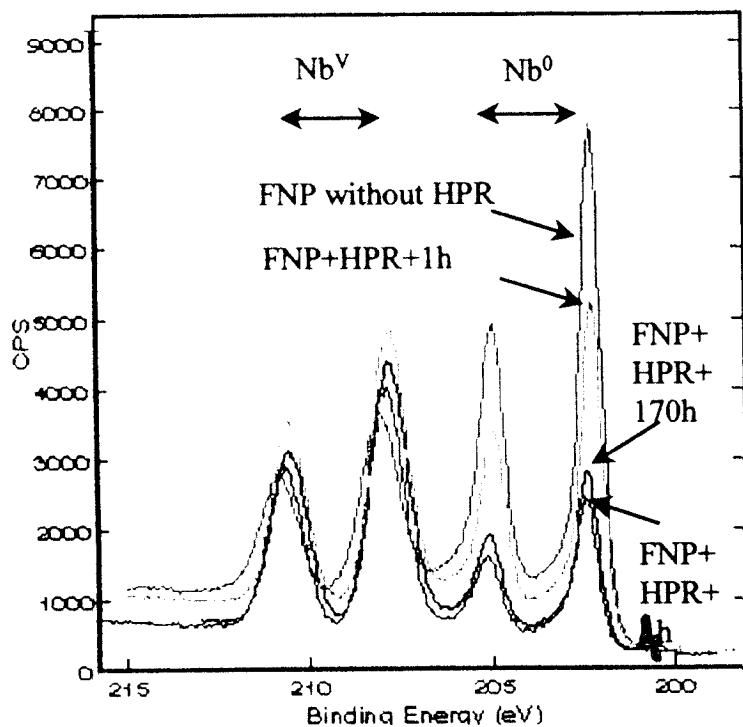




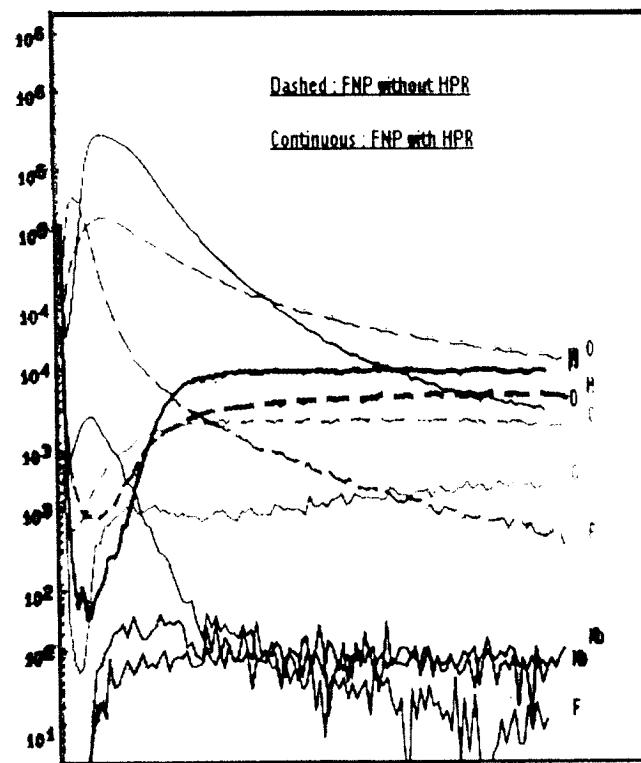
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# Niobium surface studies

■ ESCA

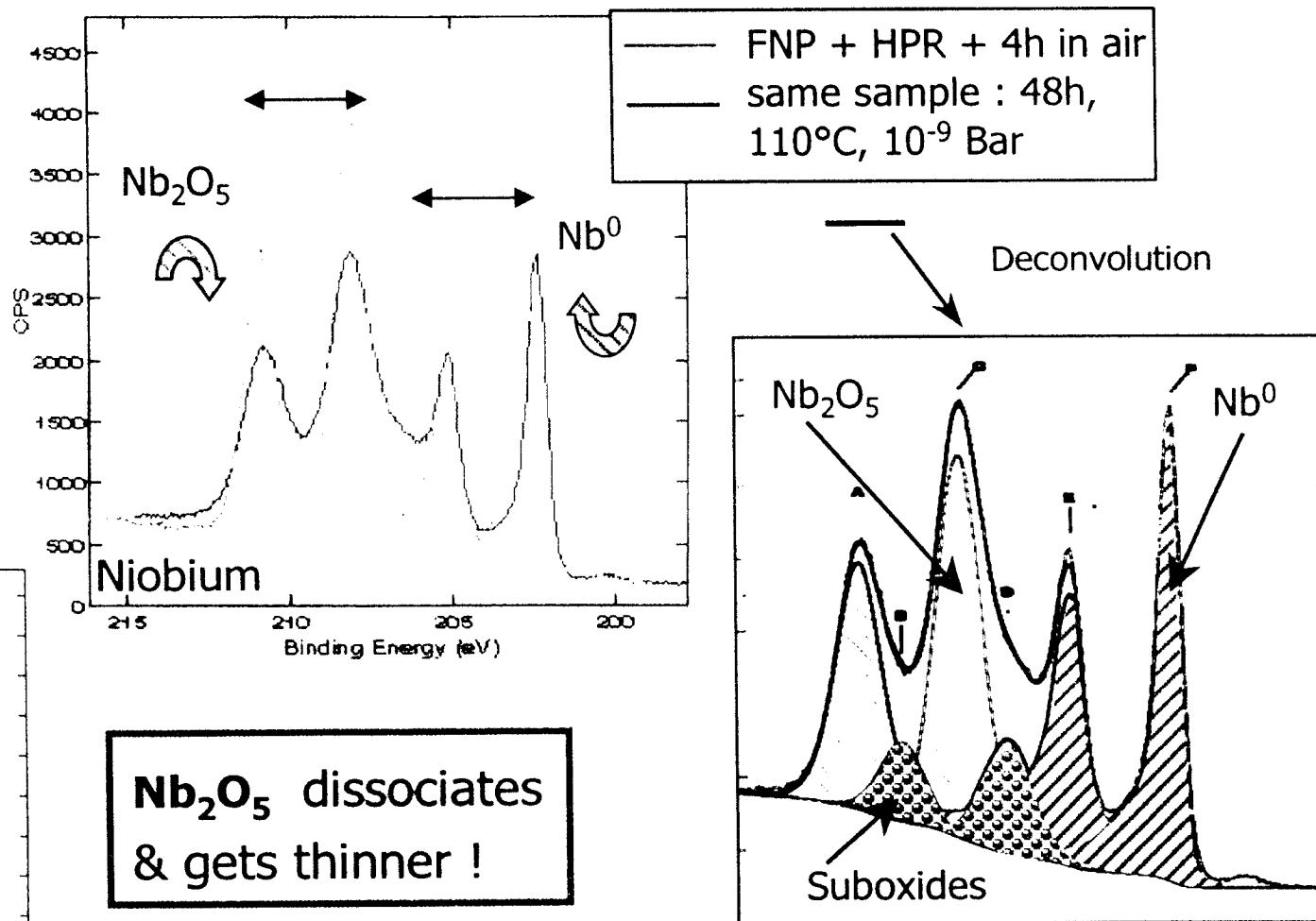
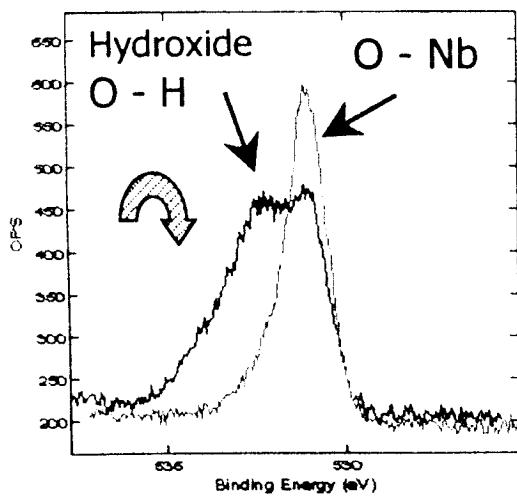


■ TOF-SIMS



# Niobium surface studies

## Effect of baking (ESCA)

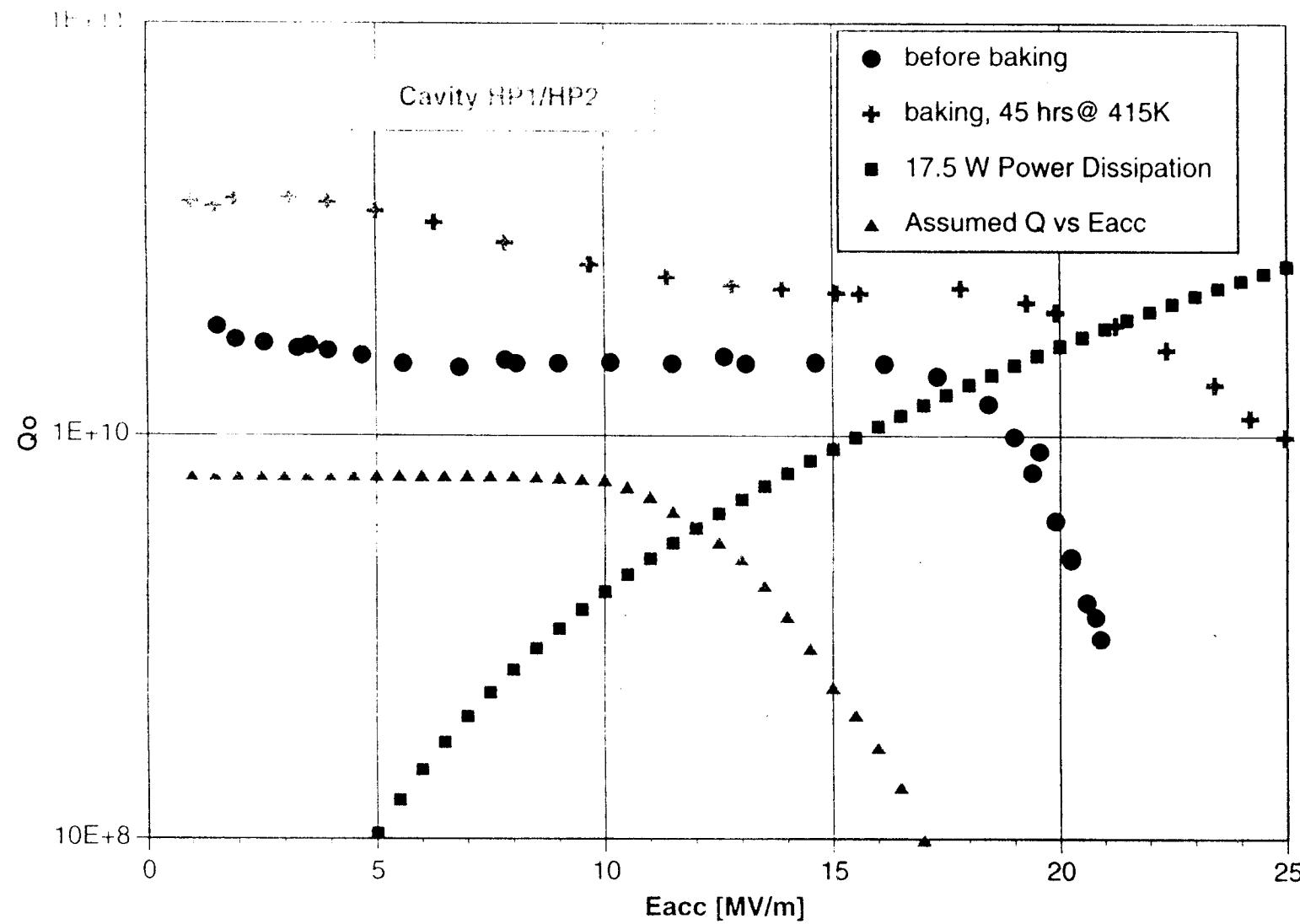


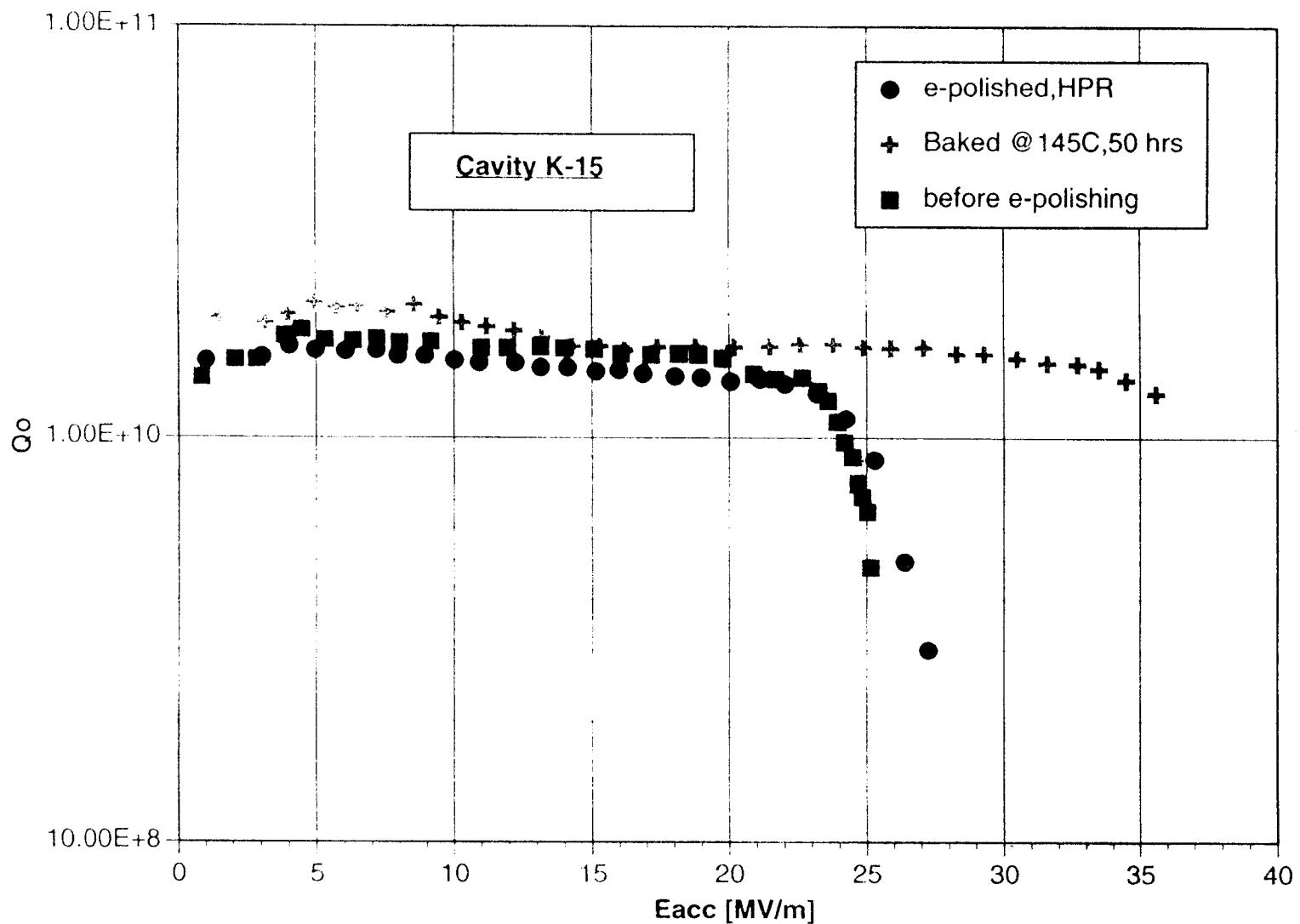
# “In-situ” Baking

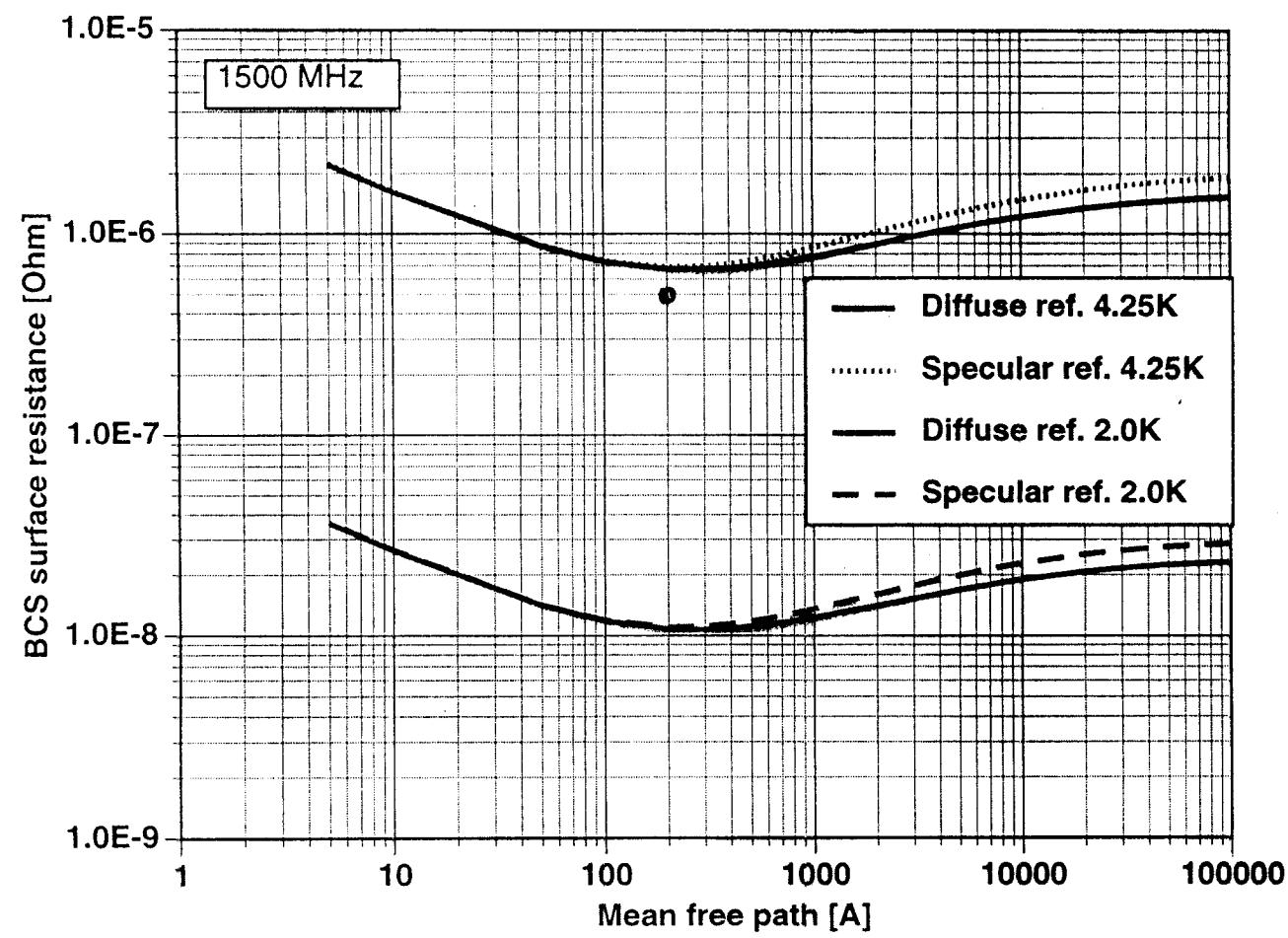
In a series of measurements on single and multi-cell cavities “in-situ” baking at 145 C was applied to the cavities after a baseline test. Observations are :

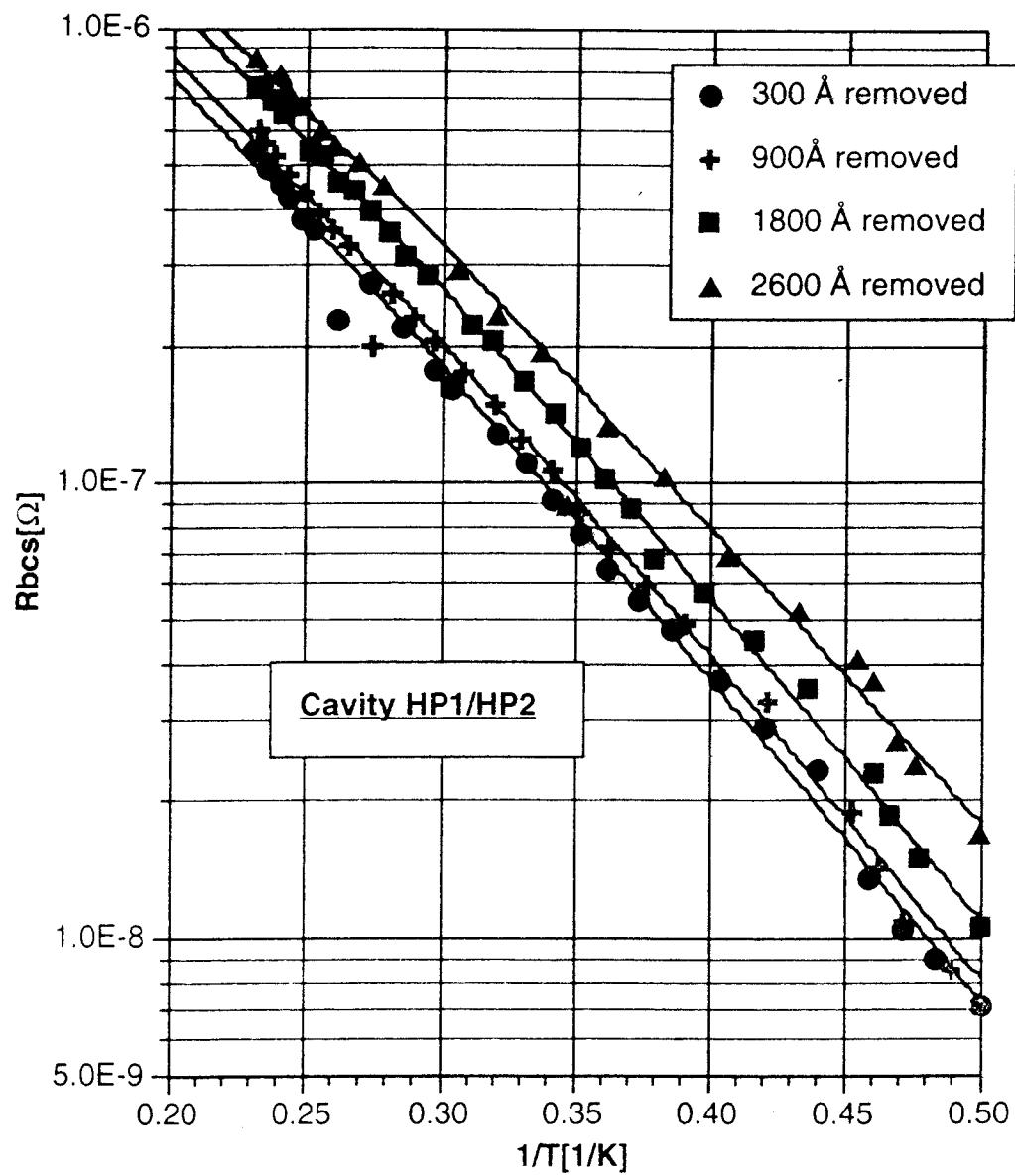
- BCS Surface Resistance improved by nearly a factor of 2
- The improvement remains after exposure to air or HPR
- The thickness of the improved niobium layer is 3000 - 4000 Å
- After removal of this layer the initial the BCS resistance comes back
- The process can be repeated and the same performance is achieved
- Sometimes also the high field behaviour of the cavity improves
- The effect seems to saturate after  $\approx$  40 hrs
- The effect cannot be explained by a mean free path effect alone
- Several material parameters of the Nb seem to change

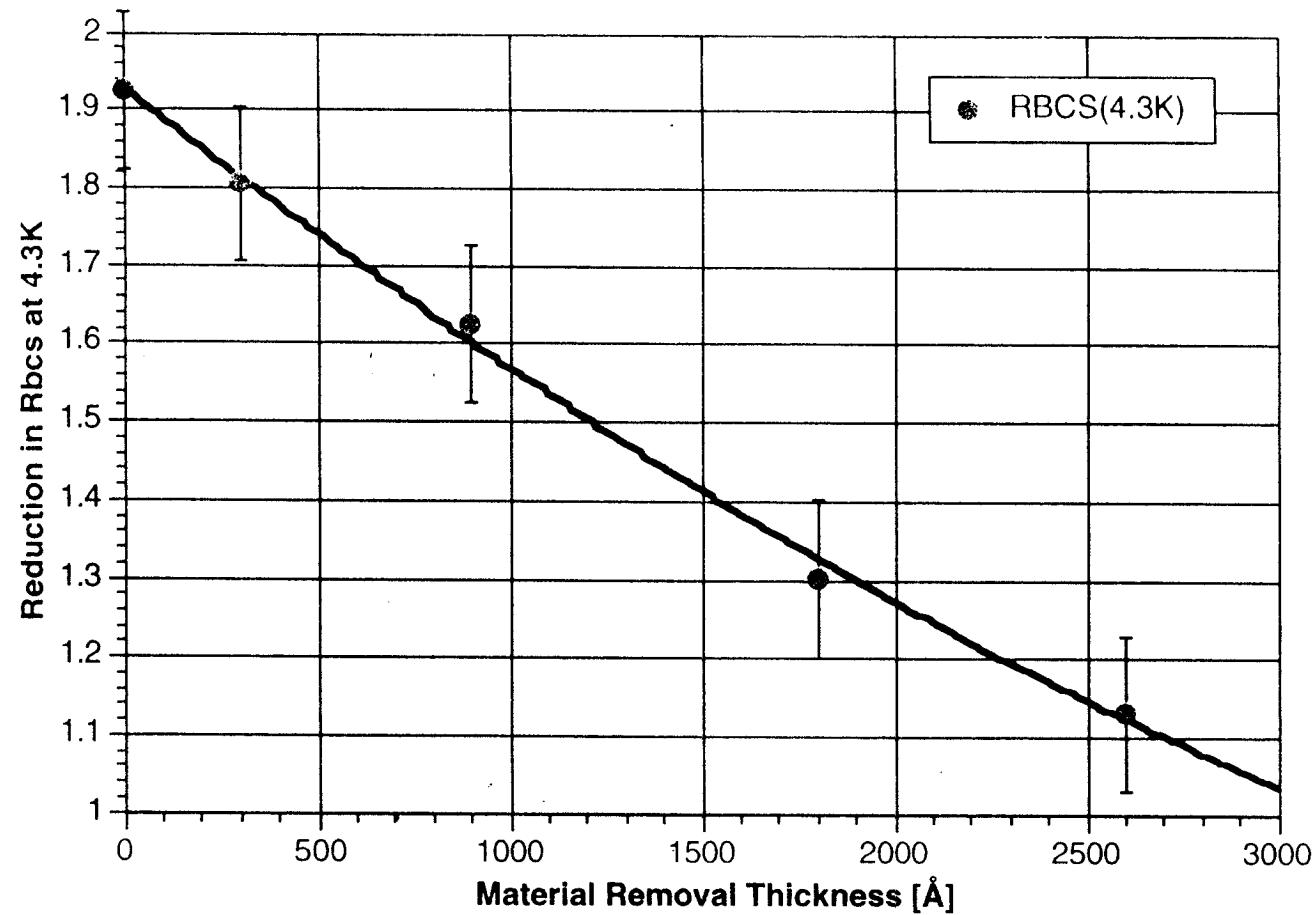




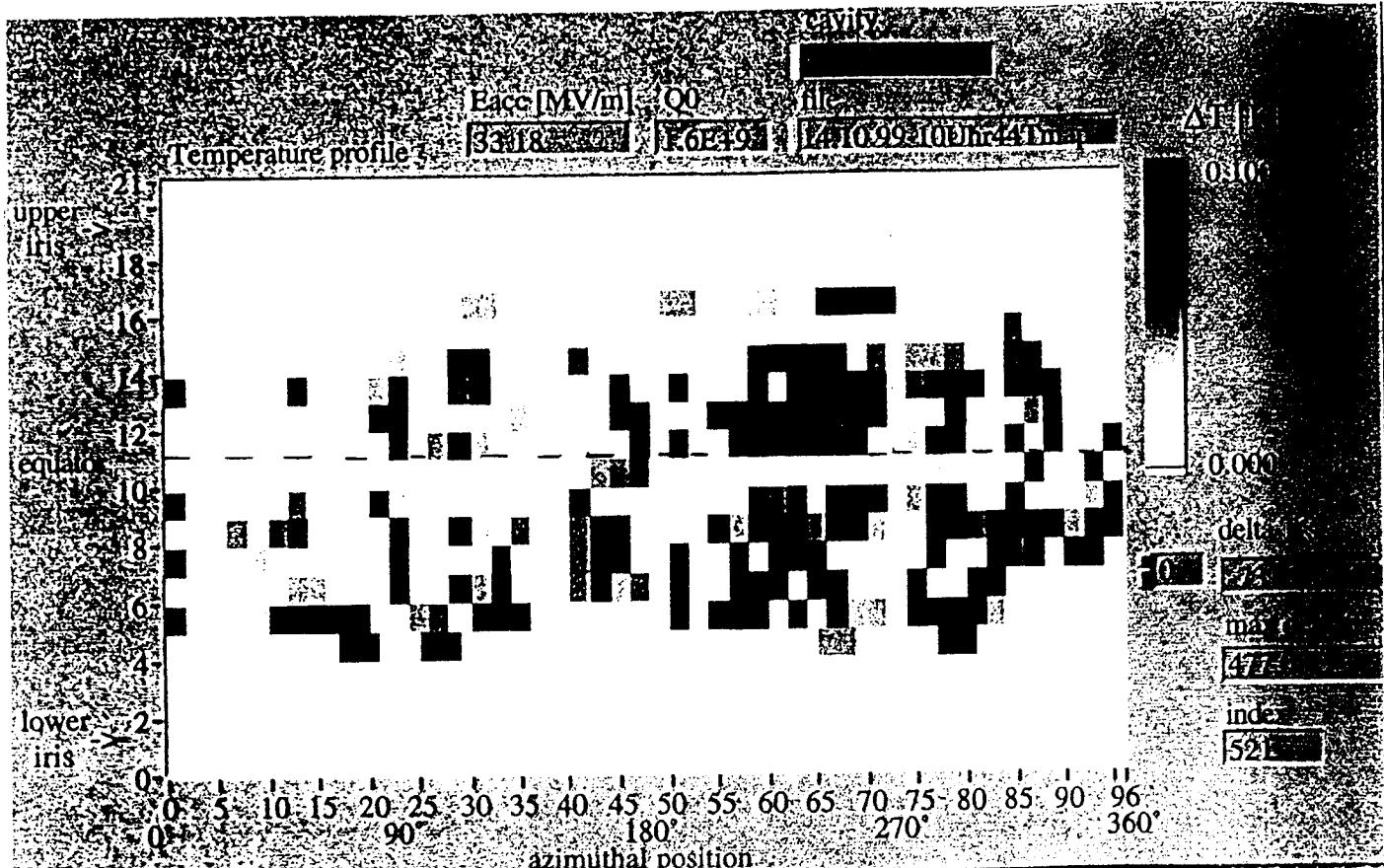




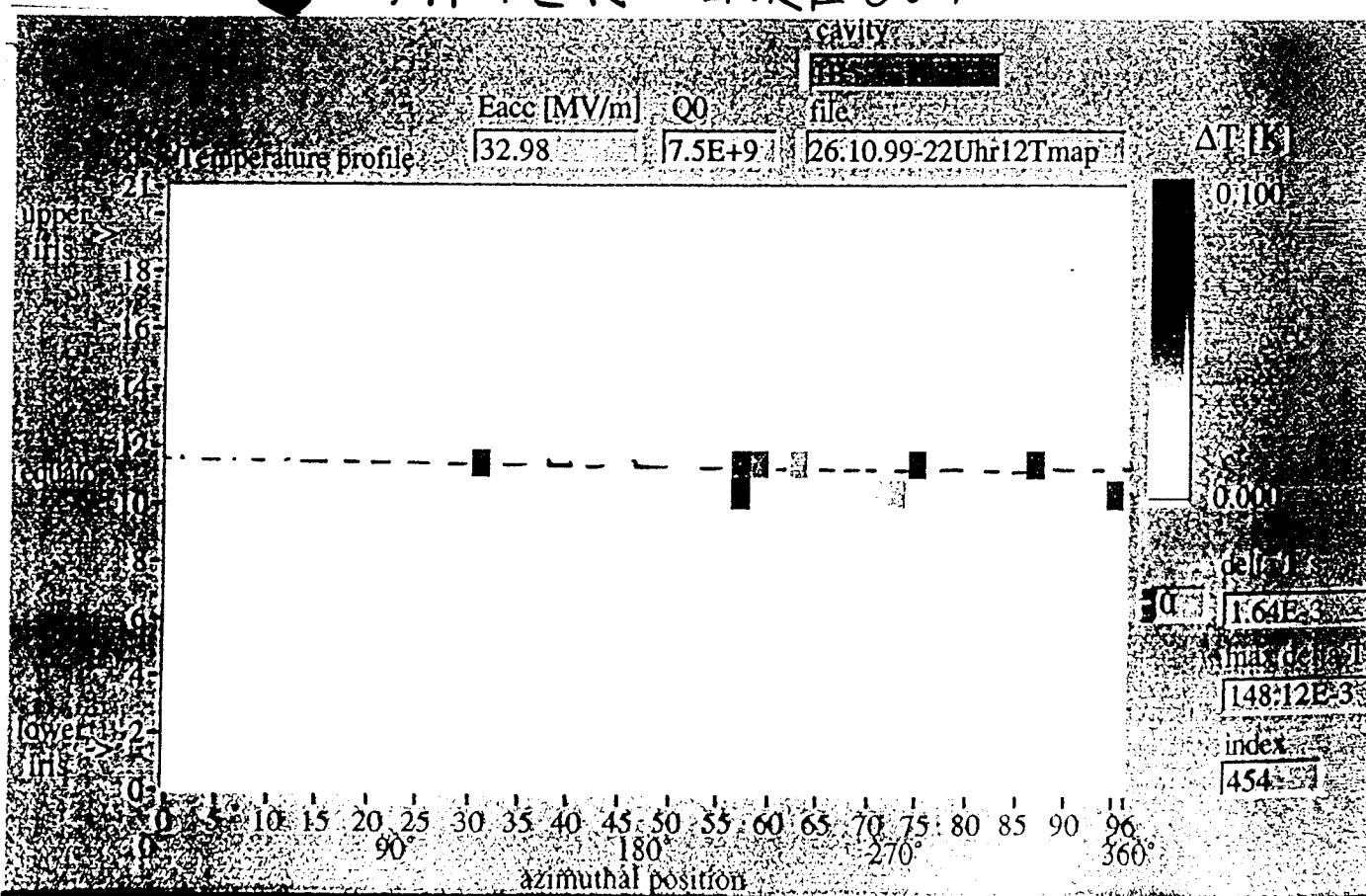




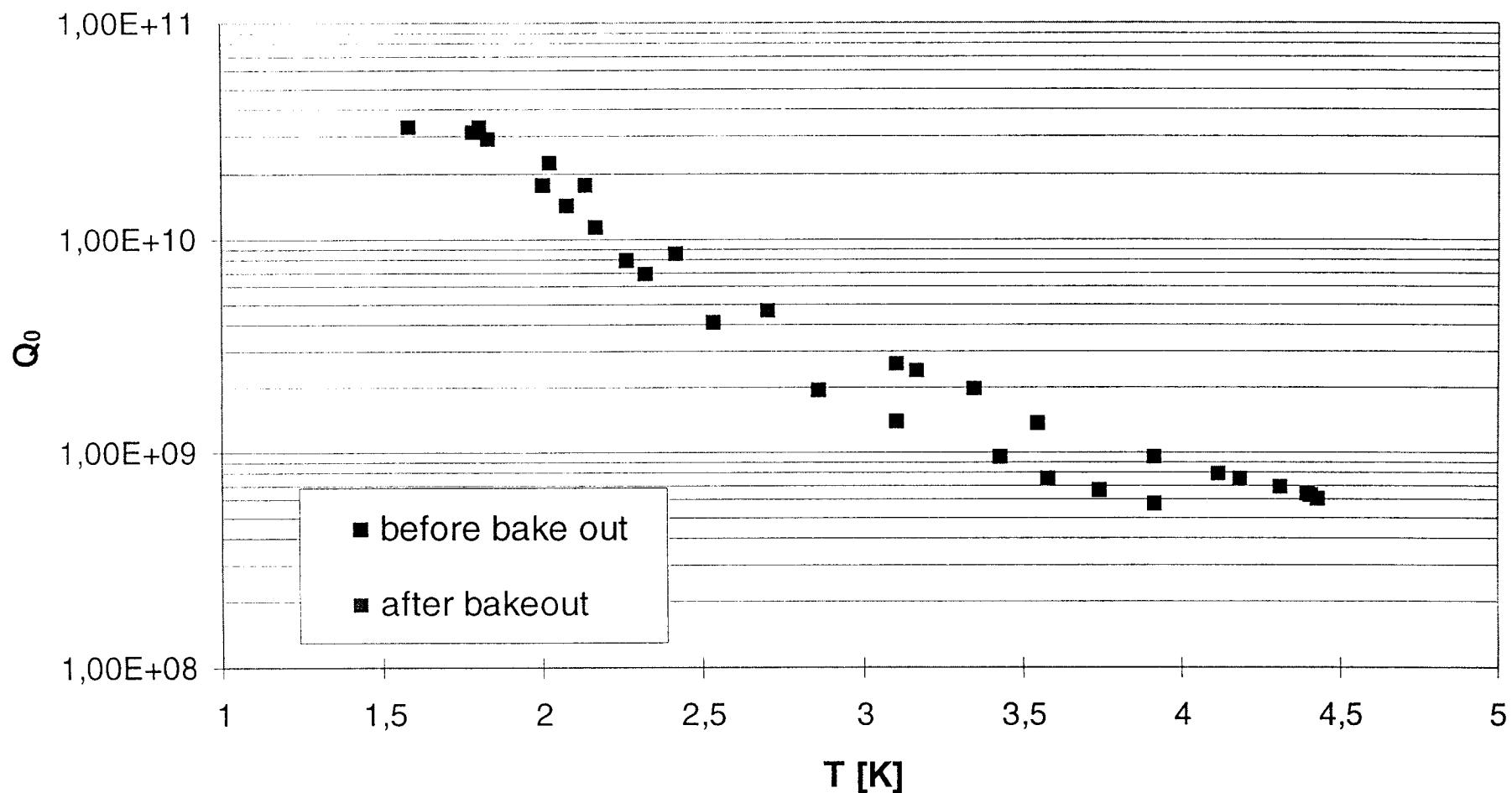
# TEMPERATURE MAPPING AT 33 MV/m



↑ BEFORE BAKE OUT  
↓ AFTER BAKE OUT



**Q versus T before and after UHV bakeout on an electropolished cavity at 120 °C for 48 hours**



# Q-degradation at High Gradient

- “High Electric and Magnetic RF Fields in Bulk Superconducting Nb Cavities”

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- With improved quality of sc surfaces limitations are no longer caused by gross defects (welds, nc inclusions, dust..), but by interfaces Nb/Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5-y</sub>/adsorbates and Kapitza resistance
- The electric field ( $E_{\text{perp}}$ ) surface impedance becomes important because of Interface Tunnel Exchange (ITE) between metal and localized states in the oxides, similar to enhanced FE

$$\Delta Z_E \sim a \exp(-c/\beta E_{\text{perp}})$$

*Jefferson Lab*

# **Q degradation cont'd**

The extend if ITE depends on the "thickness" of the barrier ( E-field and enhancement by geometry

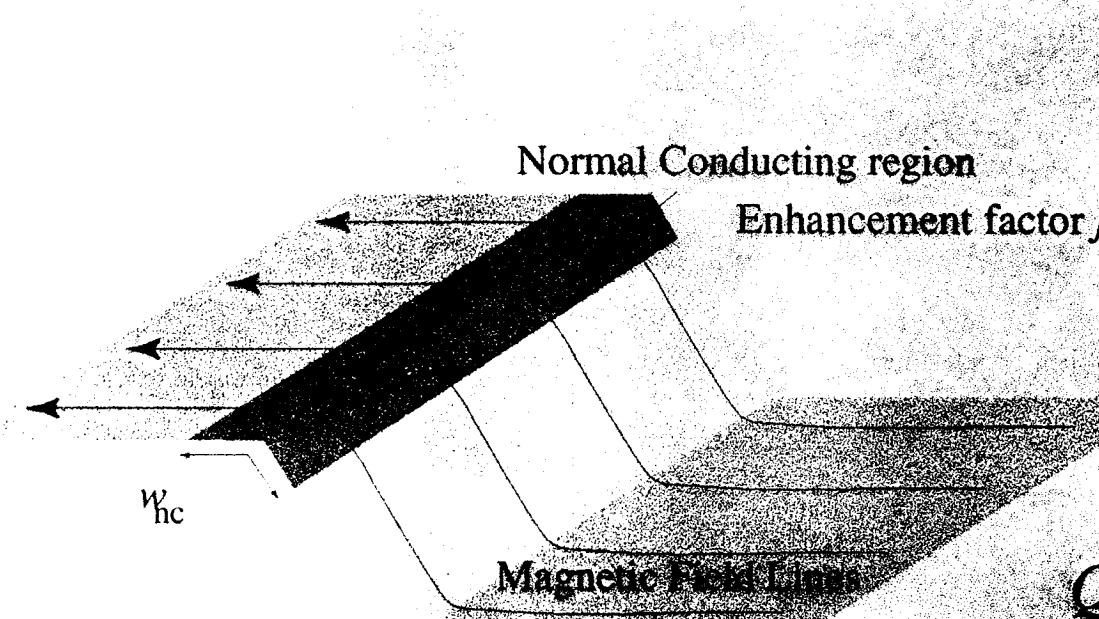
electric surface impedance decreases if less surface states are available

Material removal smoothens the surface ( cracks ) , less surface fields

Baking might reduce the density of localized states because of oxygen diffusion

# $\mathcal{Q}$ Slope Mechanism

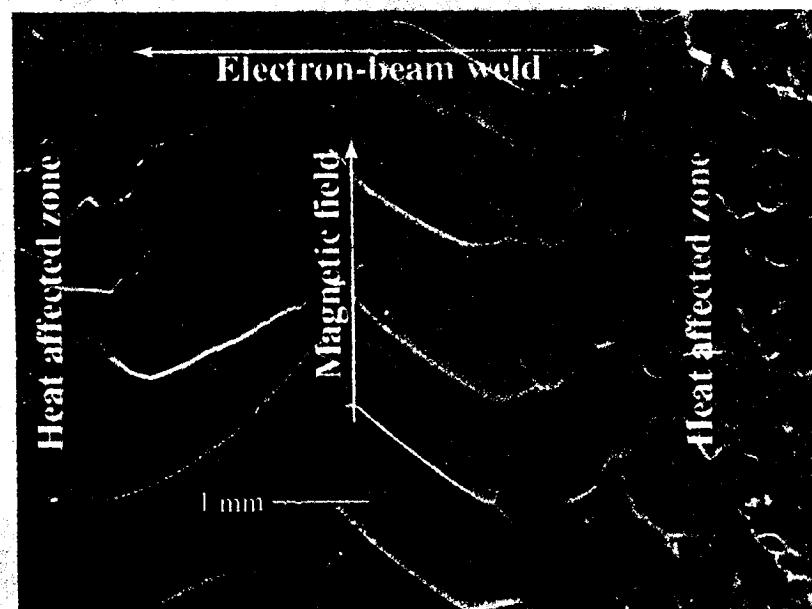
- Magnetic field enhancement at grain boundaries?



$$Q'_{diss} \approx \frac{1}{2} R_{nc} w_{nc} H_{crit}^2$$
$$R_{nc} \gg R_s$$

# Breakdown Field/Location

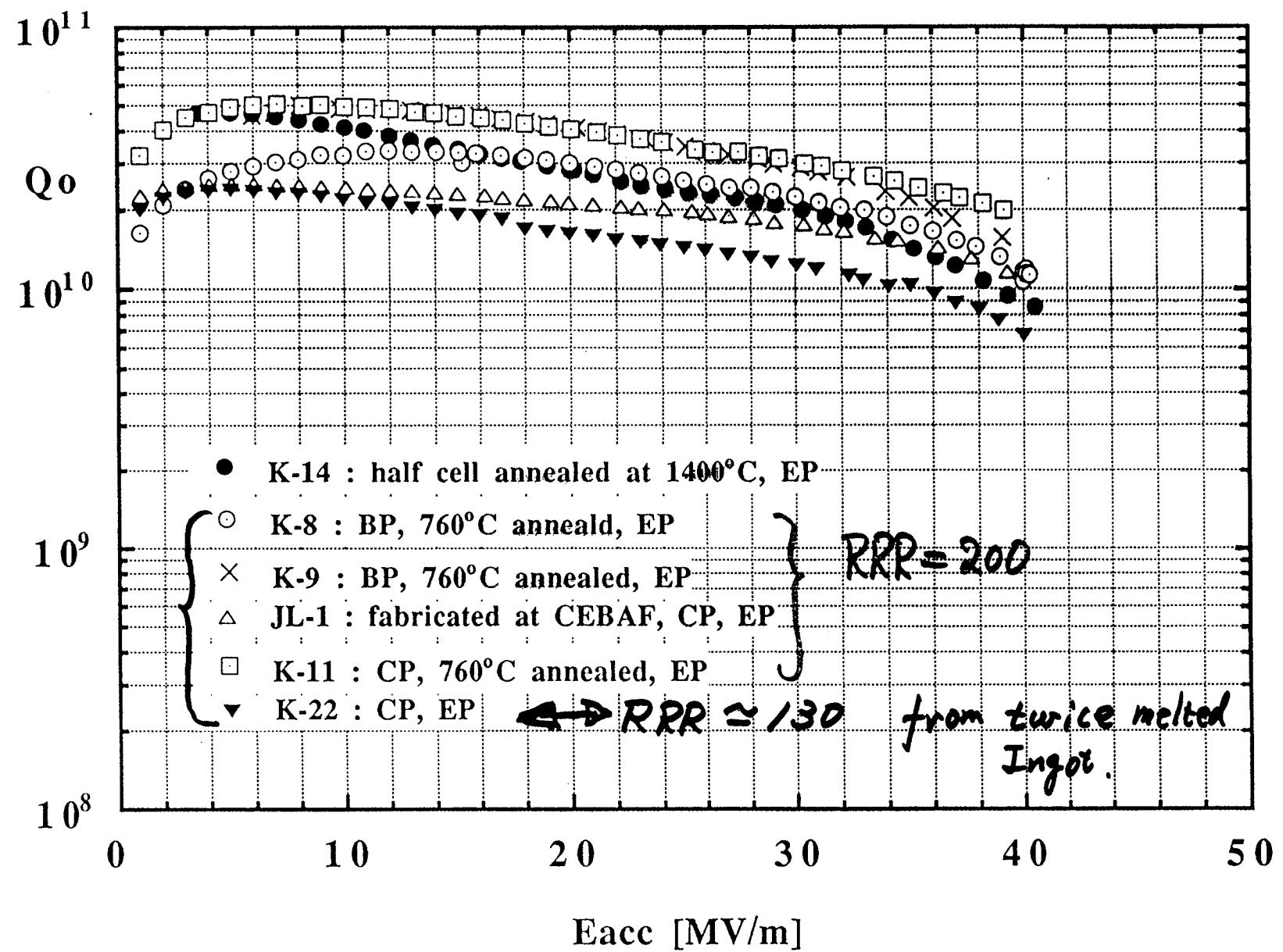
- BD field from ANSYS is 30 MV/m (for infinite gb).
- Longest gb's with largest steps are in the EBW region.
- GB's not random. Almost perpendicular to field.
- Most  $P_{\text{diss}}$  at equator gb's.
- Explains consistent BD location in BCP cavities.

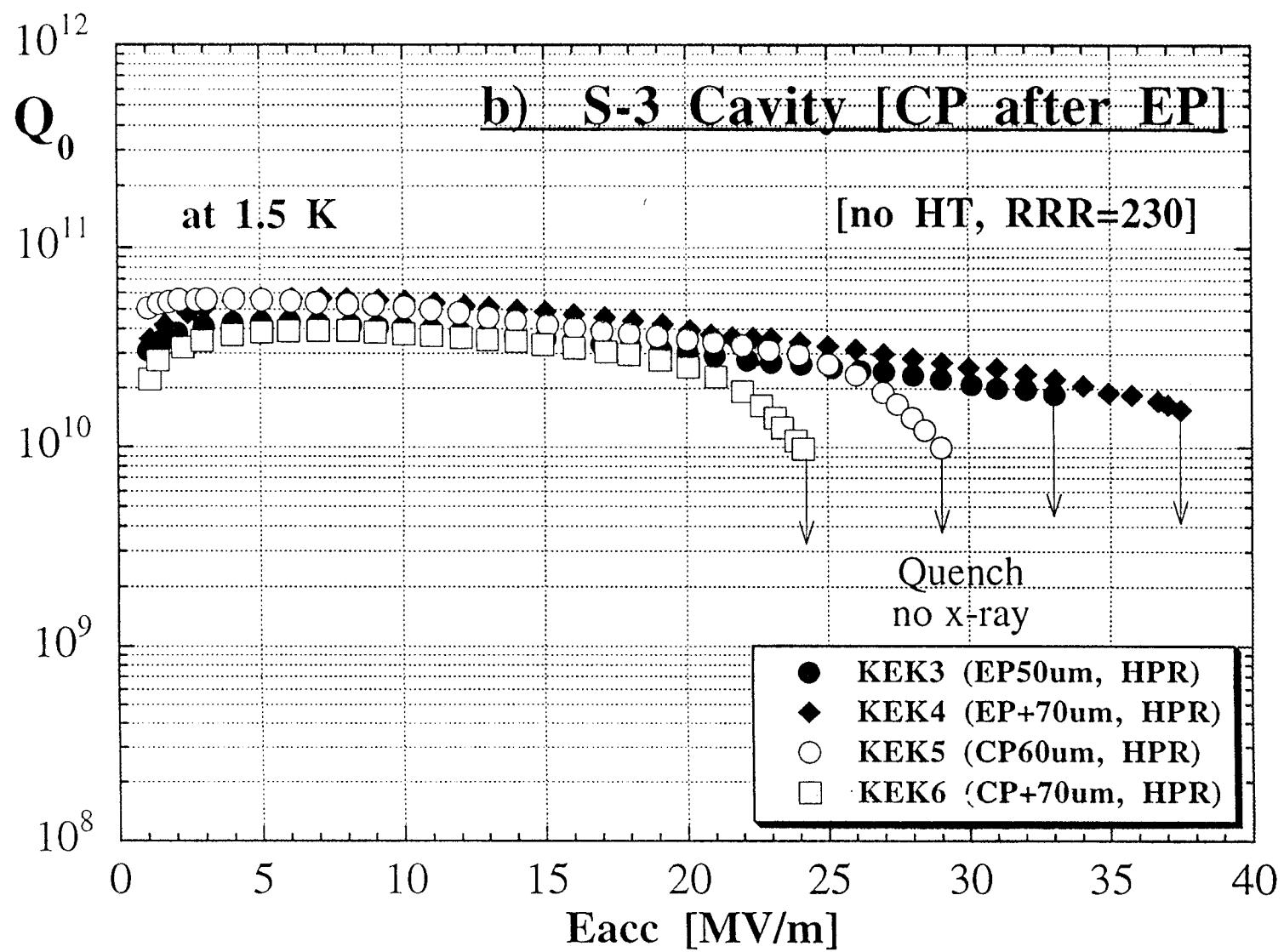


See poster by Geng  
*et al.*

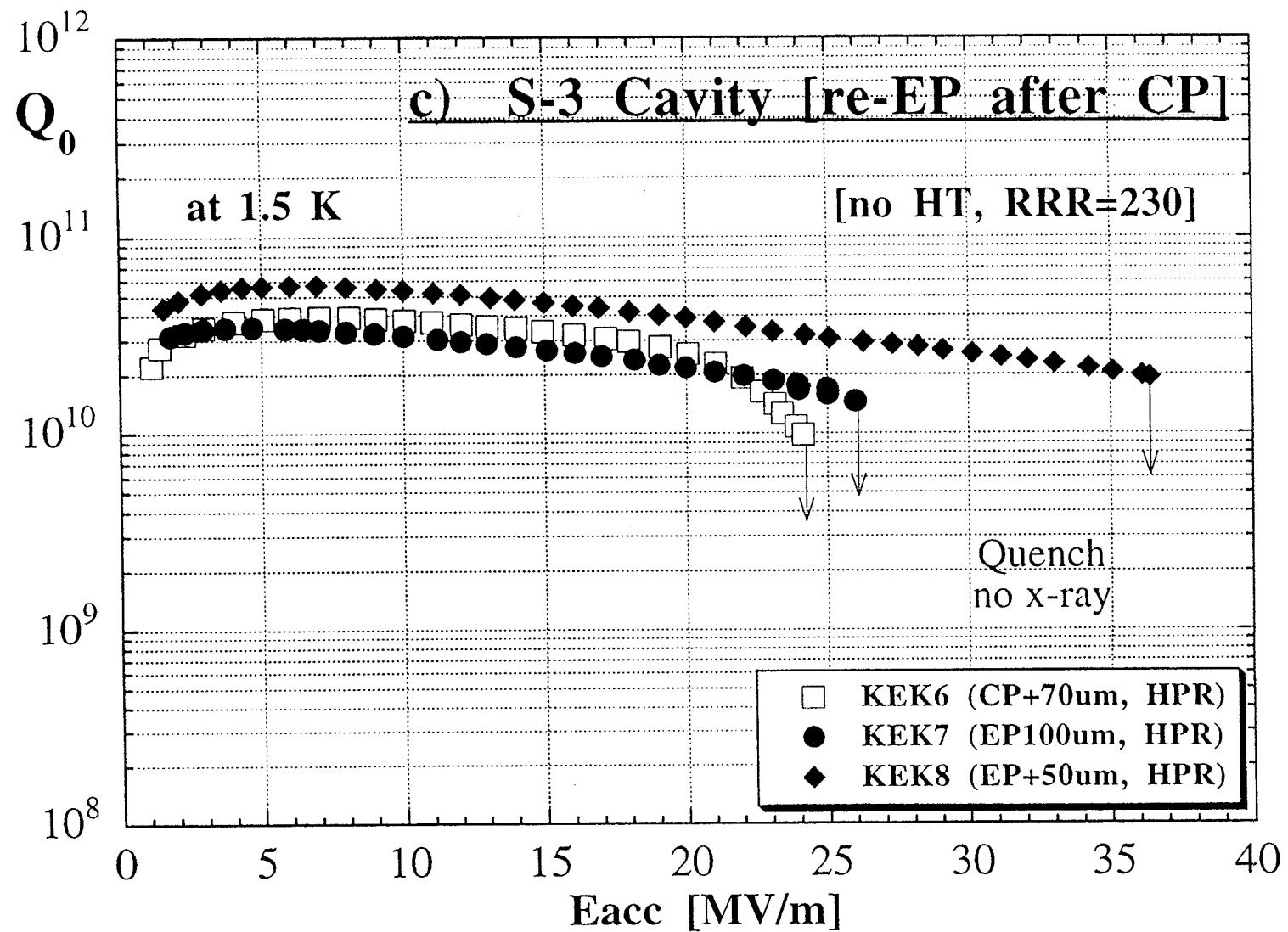
# SURFACE PREPARATION

- ELECTRO POLISHING:
  - VERY GOOD ON SINGLE-CELLS
  - DOES NOT SHOW Q-DROP AFTER BAKEOUT AT 100°C
  - MORE DIFFICULT ON MULTI-CELLS
  - AIR EXPOSURE ?
- 'OTHER' CHEMISTRY:
  - NOT TOO MUCH IMPROVEMENT AS COMPARED TO STANDARD BCP

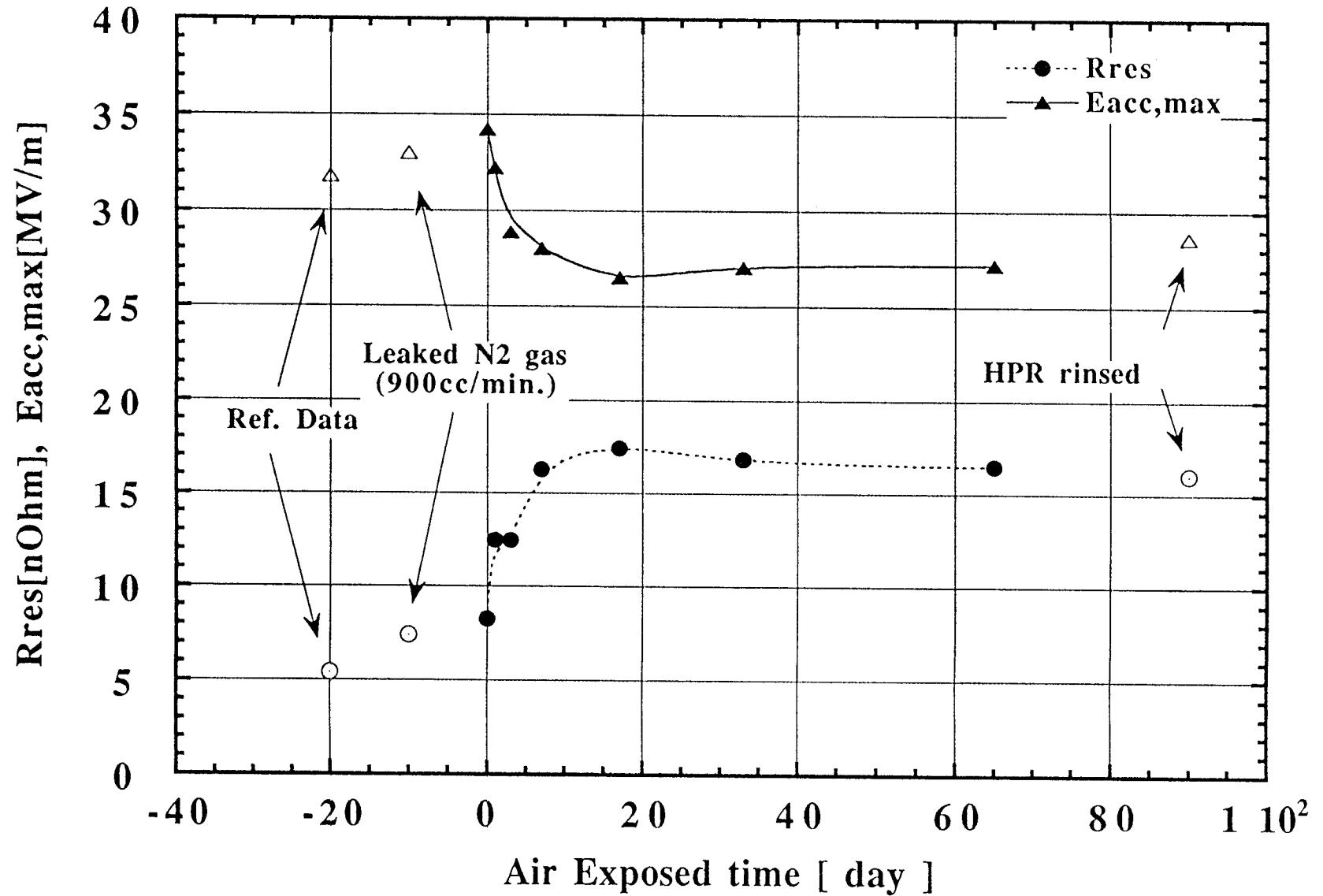




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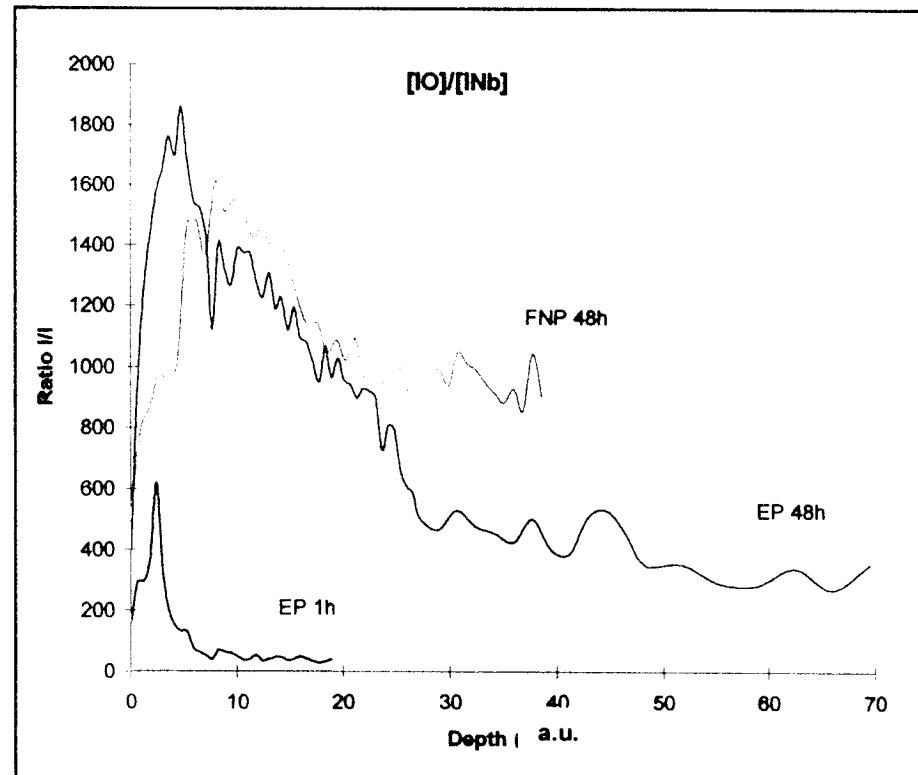
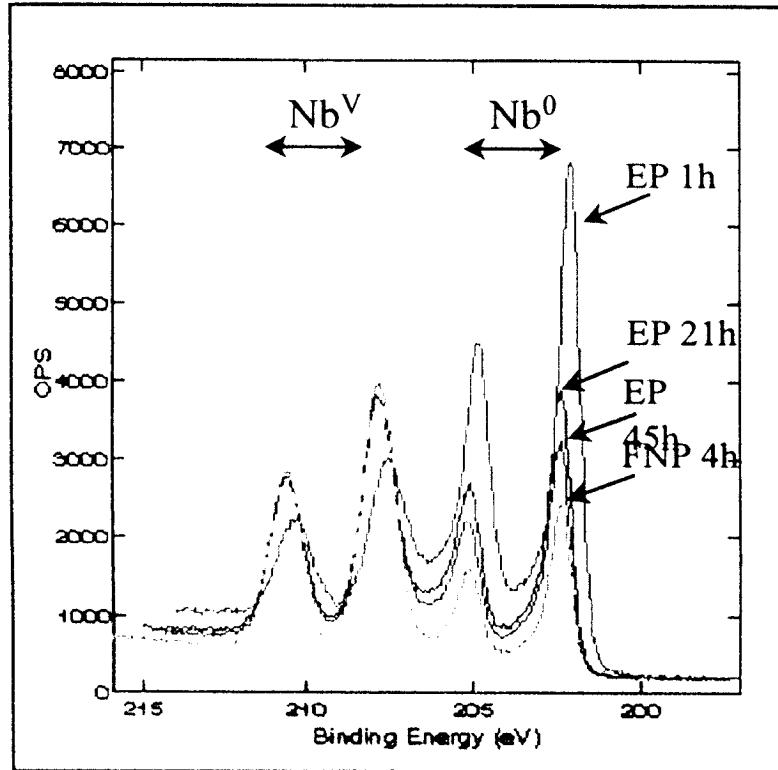


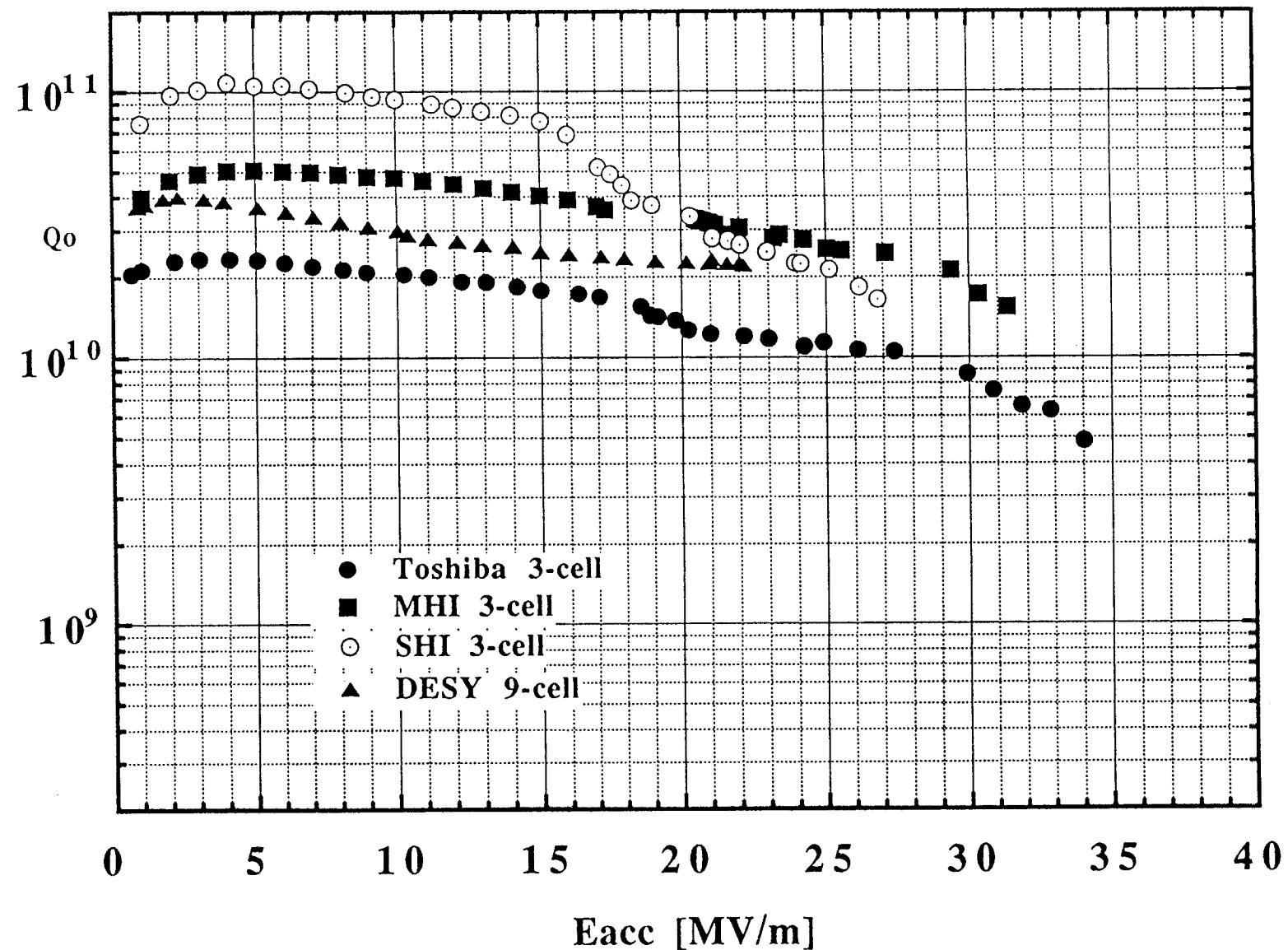
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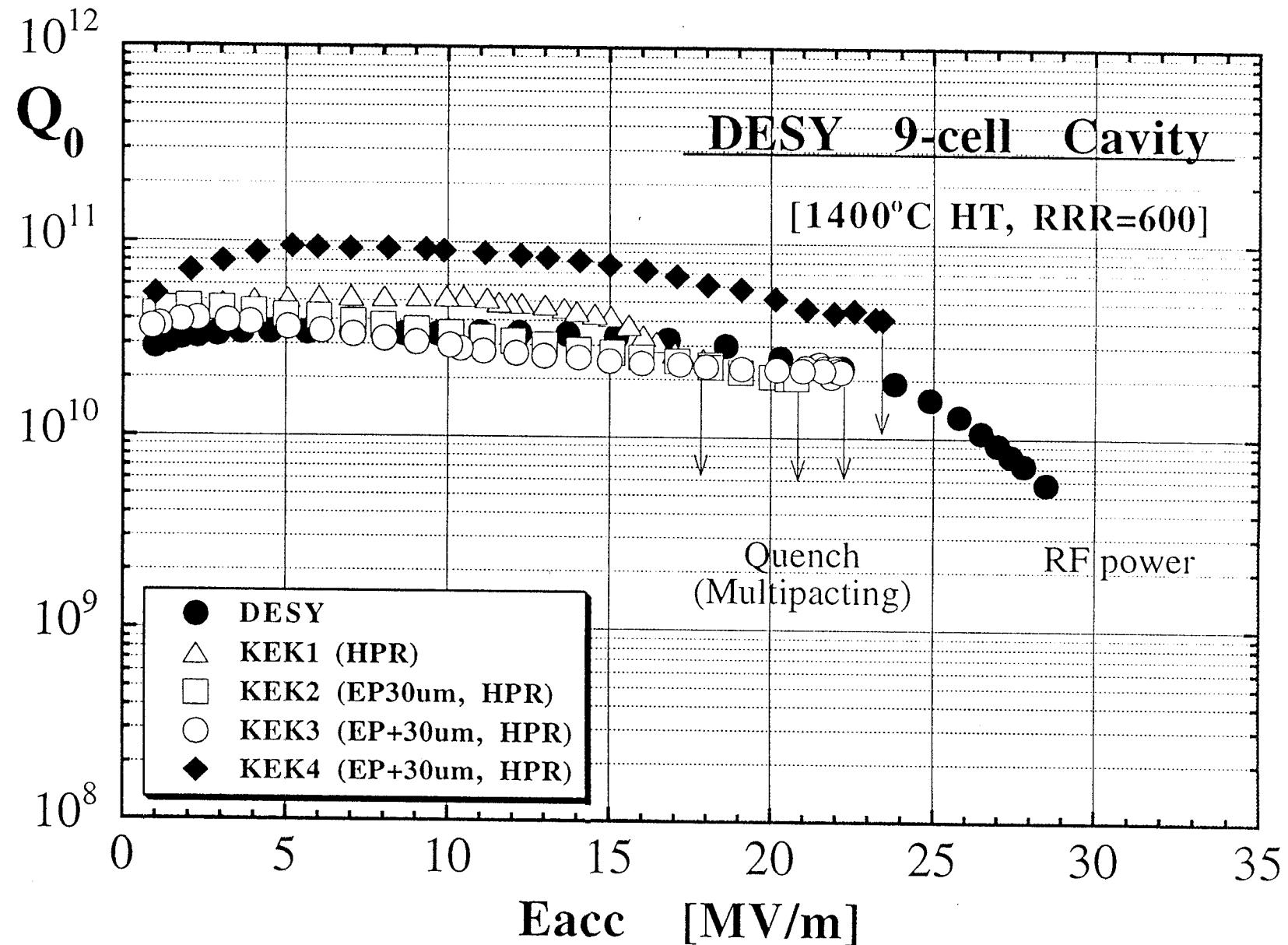
■ ESCA

$\text{Nb}_2\text{O}_5$  is thinner in EP samples, but reaches  $\sim 6\text{nm}$  within a week

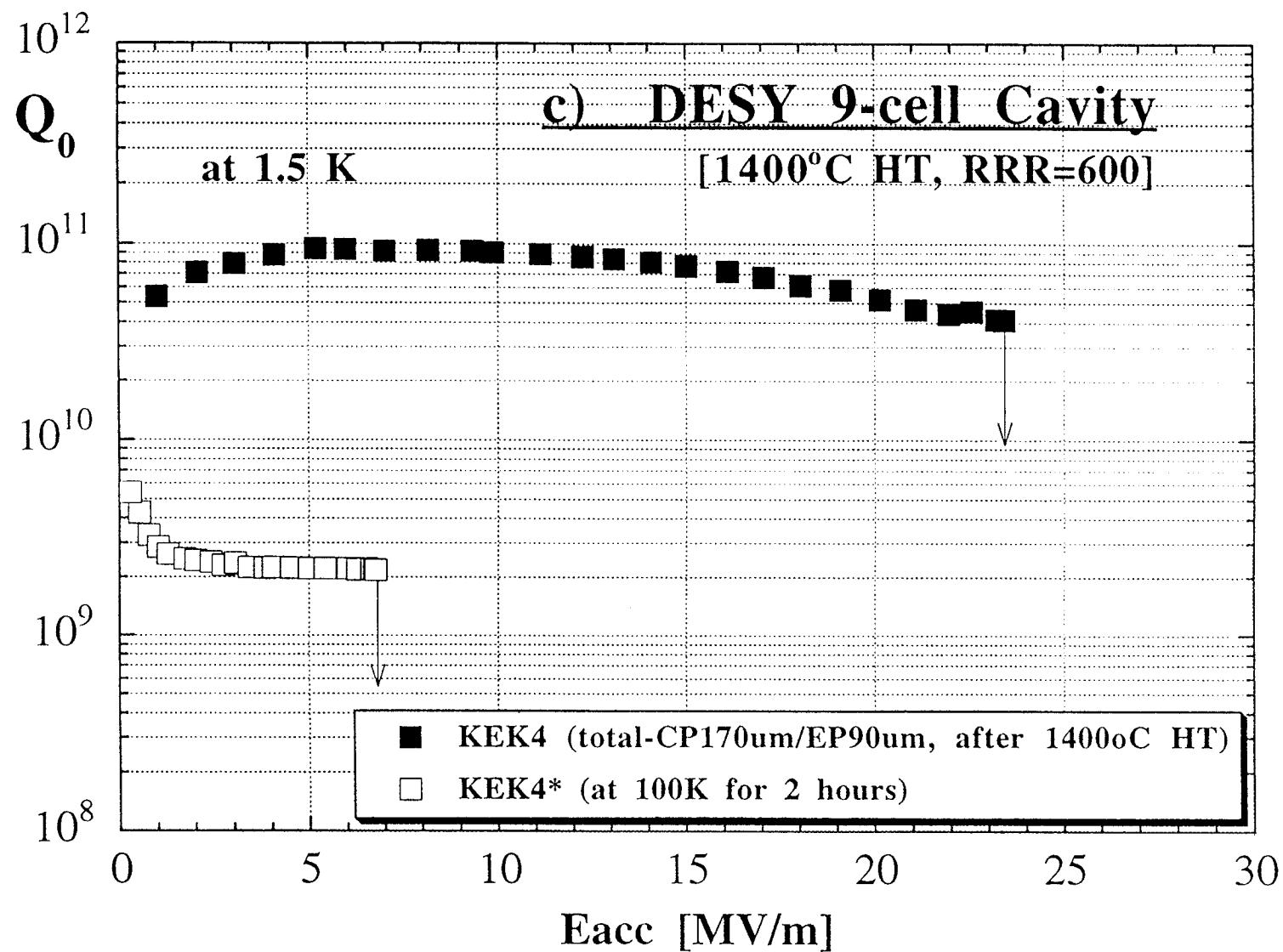
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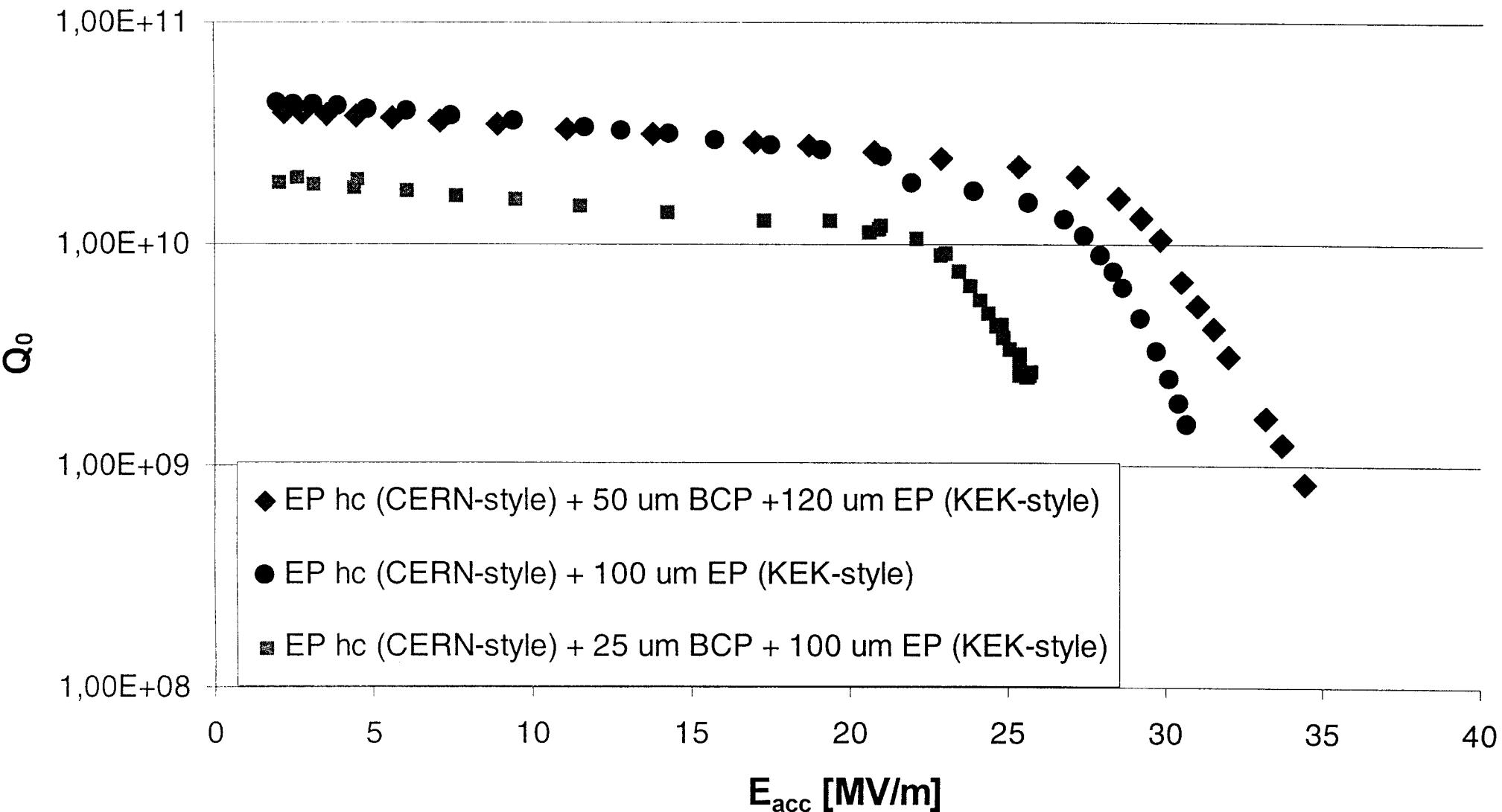


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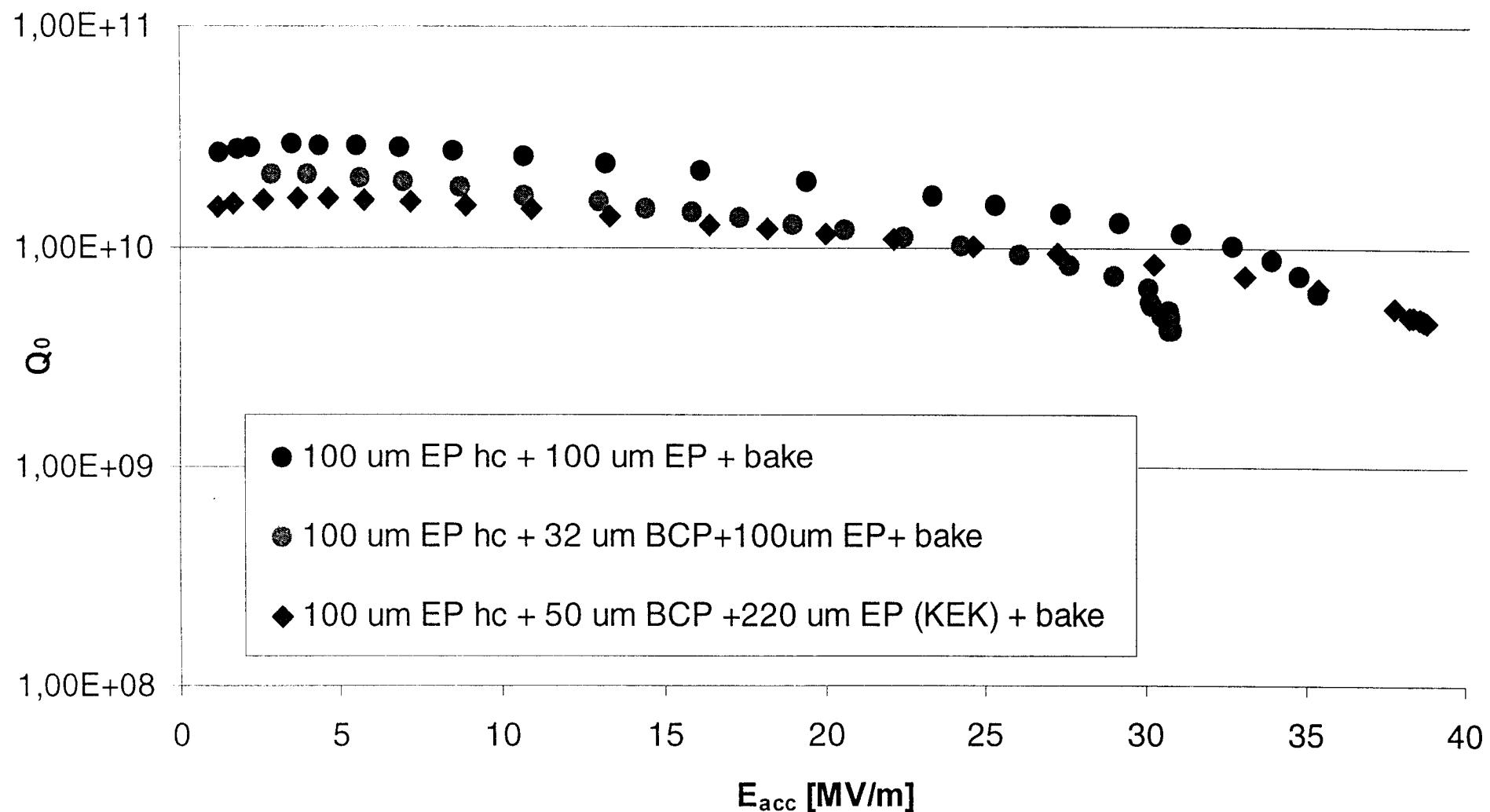


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# Electropolished cavities without UHV bakeout

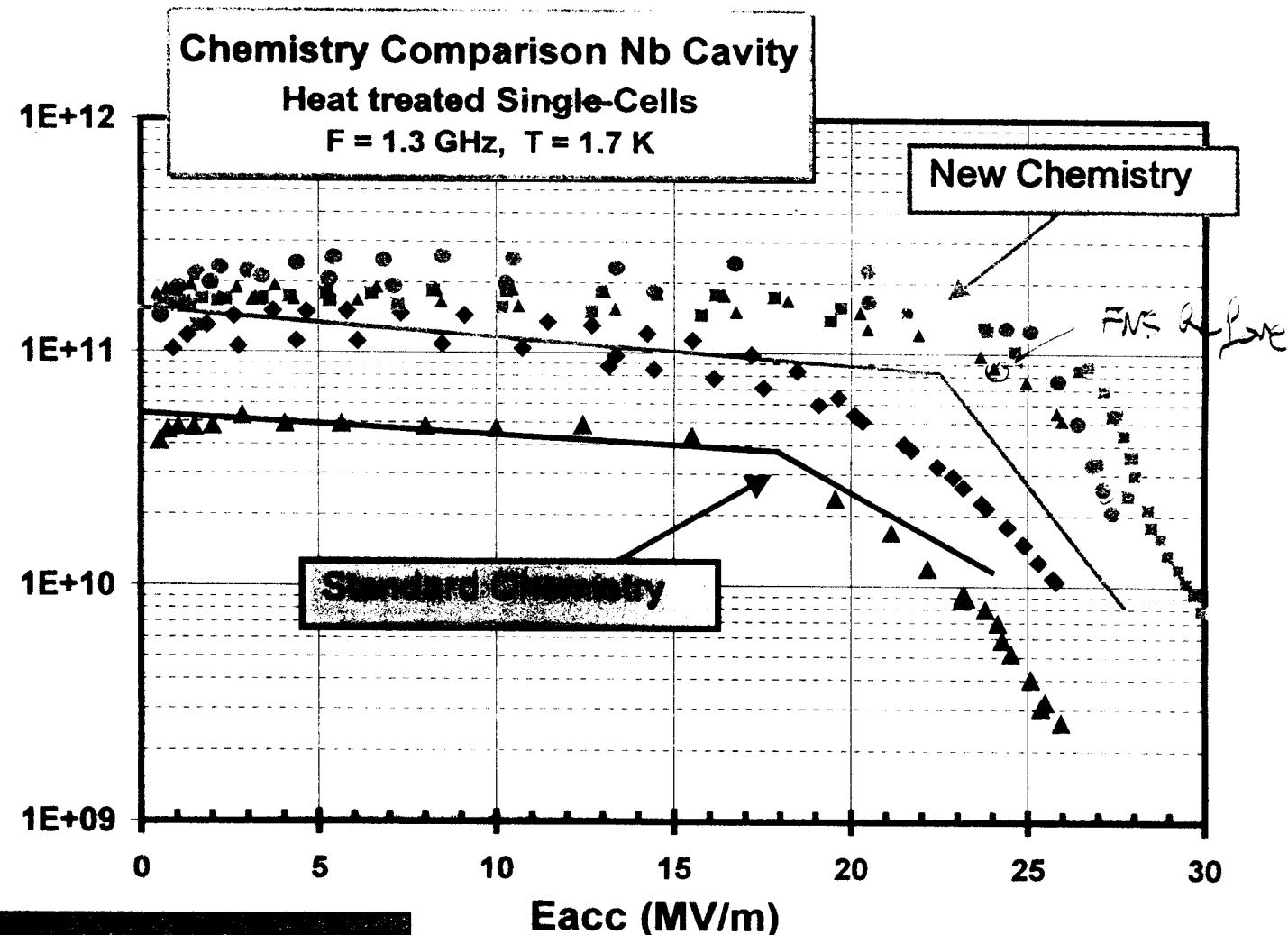


## EP + UHV Bakeout at 120 °C for 48 hours



# Alternative surface treatment

- FNS...
  - hydroFluoric
  - Nitric
  - Sulfuric acids



# Alternative surface treatment

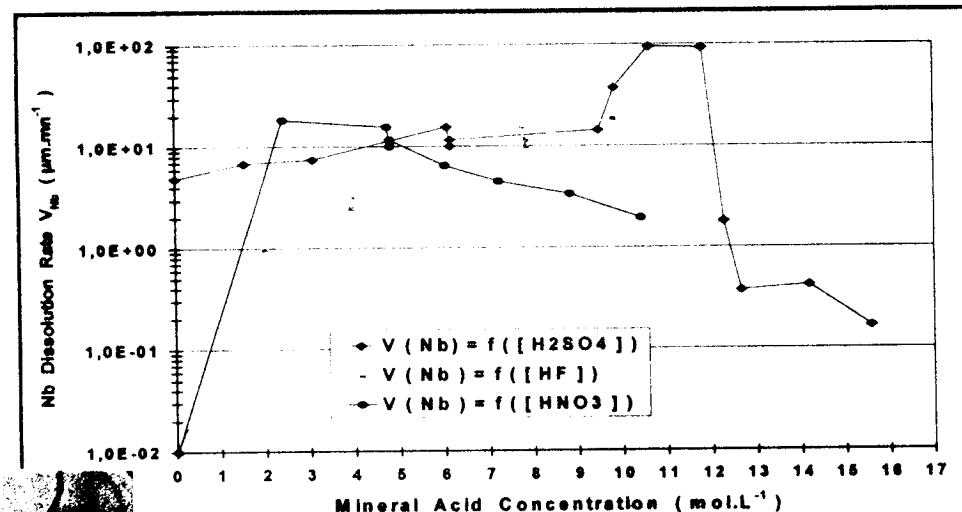
## ■ FNS : a complete chemical study



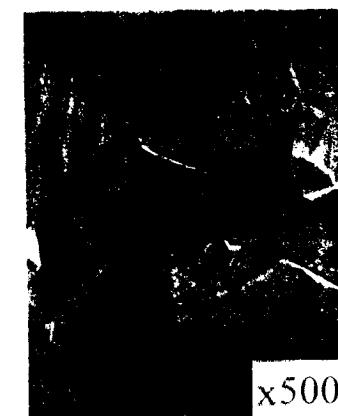
FNS 1-1-1 :  
12  $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$



FNS 1-0.3-1 :  
6.5  $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$



FNS 1.5-1-1 :  
18.7  $\mu\text{m}/\text{min}$

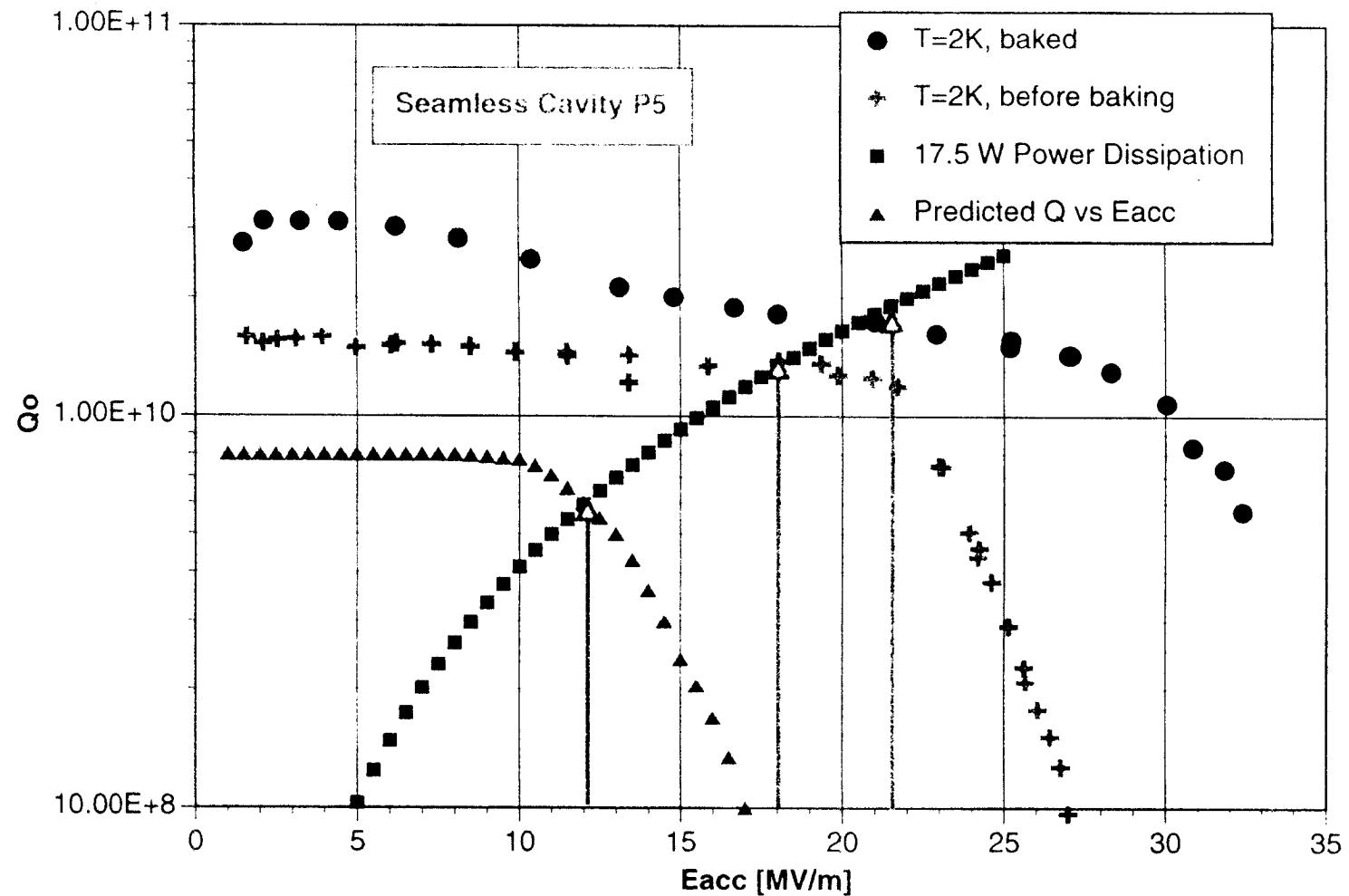


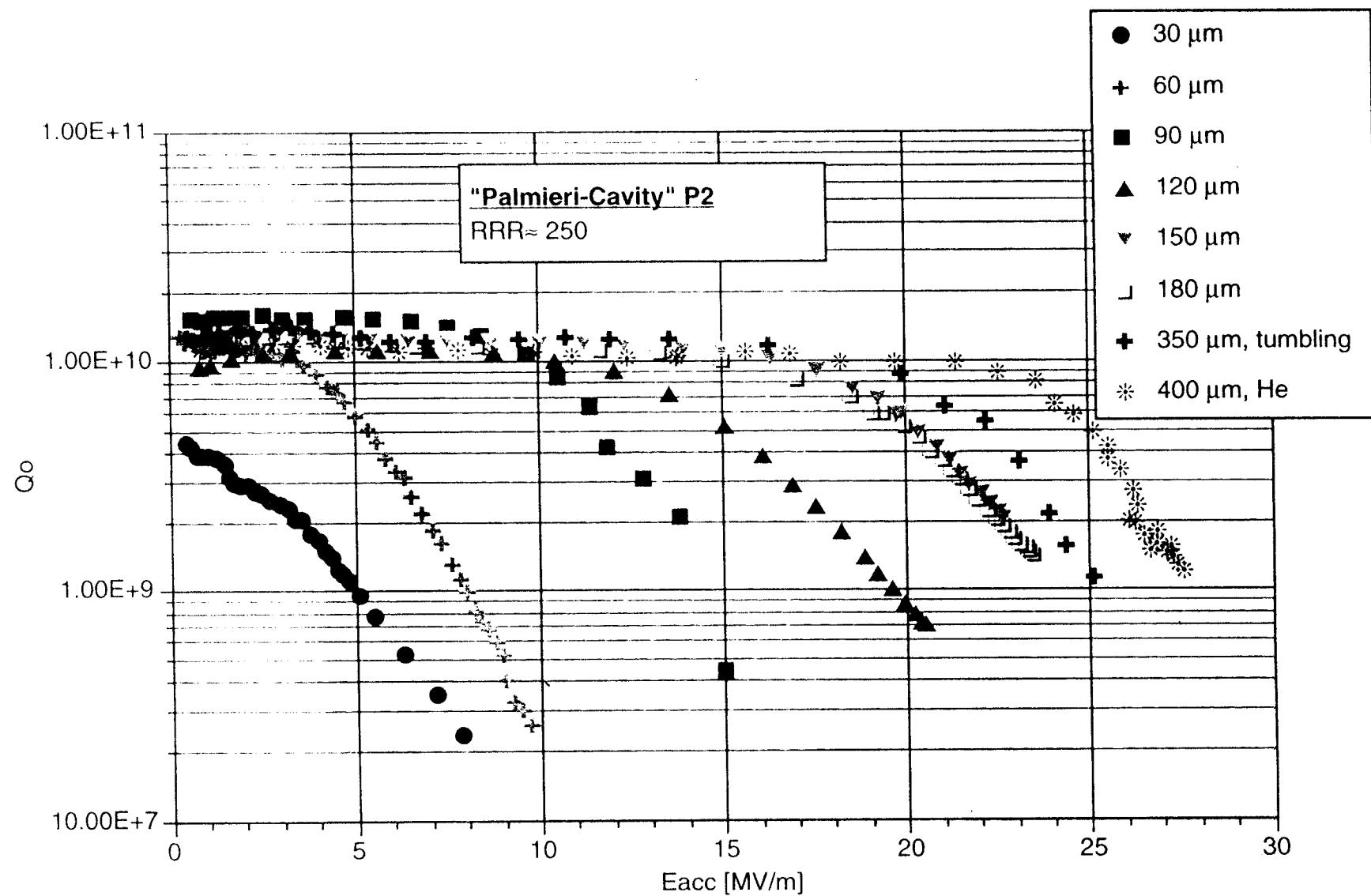
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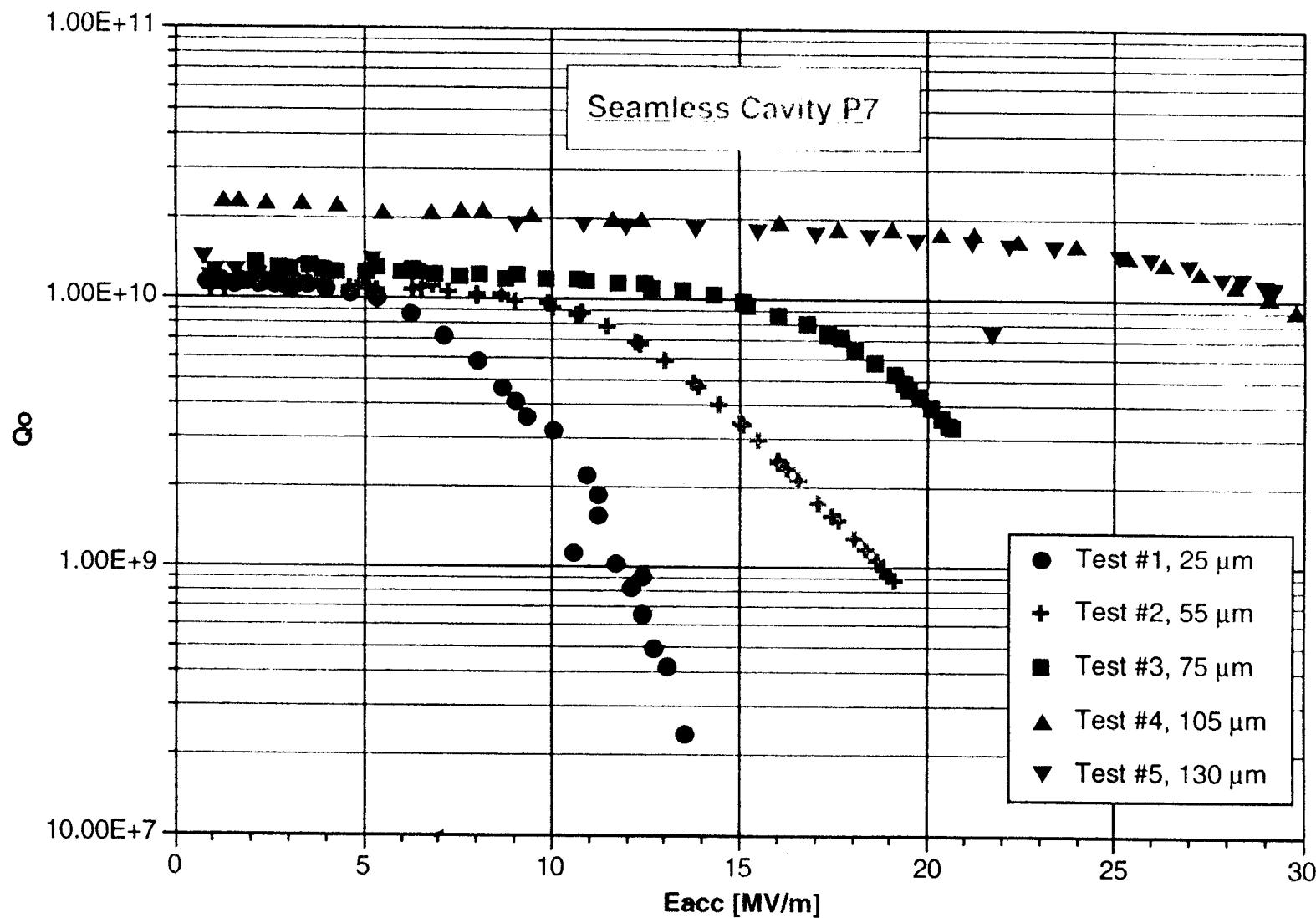
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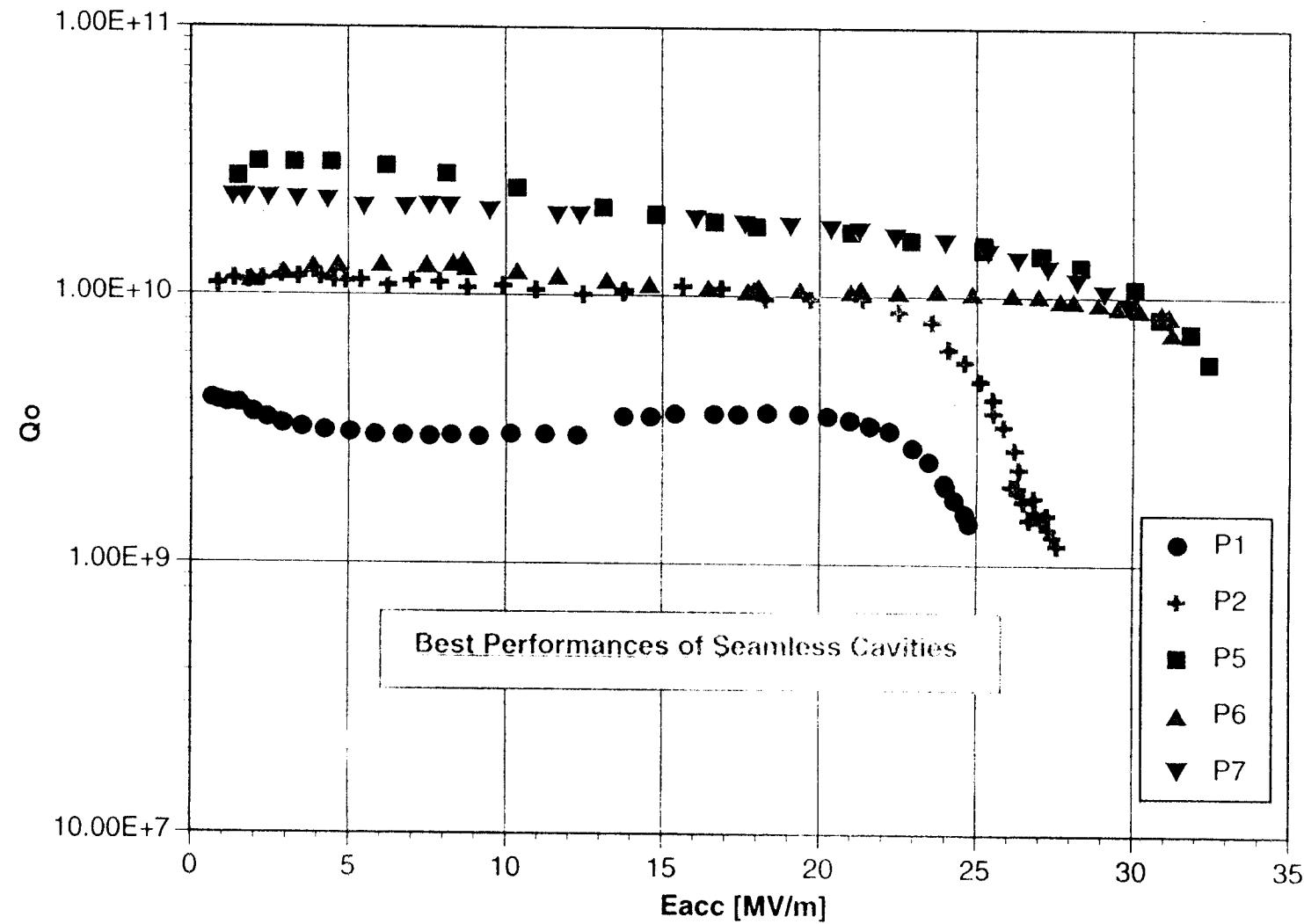
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- SPUN CAVITIES
  - GOOD PERFORMANCE  $> 25 \text{ MV/m}$
  - MULTI-CELLS NEED MORE WORK
  - NEWER CAVITIES NEED LESS SURFACE REMOVAL
- HYDROFORMED CAVITIES
  - MORE WORK NEEDED
- NIOBIUM/COPPER SPUTTERED CAVITIES
  - SUCCESSFUL AT LOW GRADIENTS
    - e.g. LEP  $< 10 \text{ MV/m}$
  - FIRST INDICATIONS FOR GRADIENTS  $> 15 \text{ MV/m}$
  - LIMIT: MULTIPACTIC



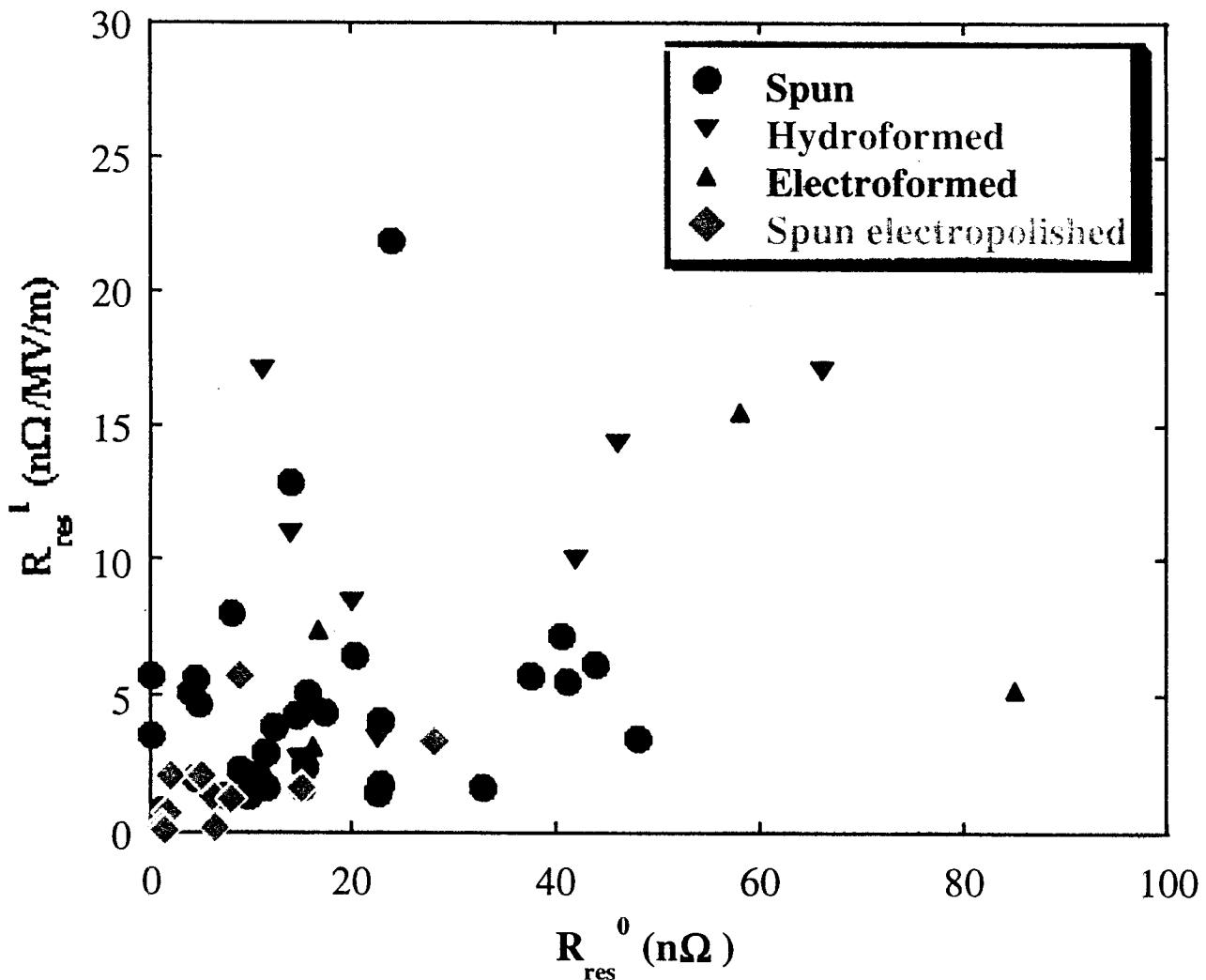








## STUDY OF THE RESIDUAL RESISTANCE OF SUPERCONDUCTING NIOBIUM FILMS AT 1.5 GHZ



Surface treatment :  
Electropolishing

$$R_{res}^0$$

$$6 \pm 6 \text{ n}\Omega$$

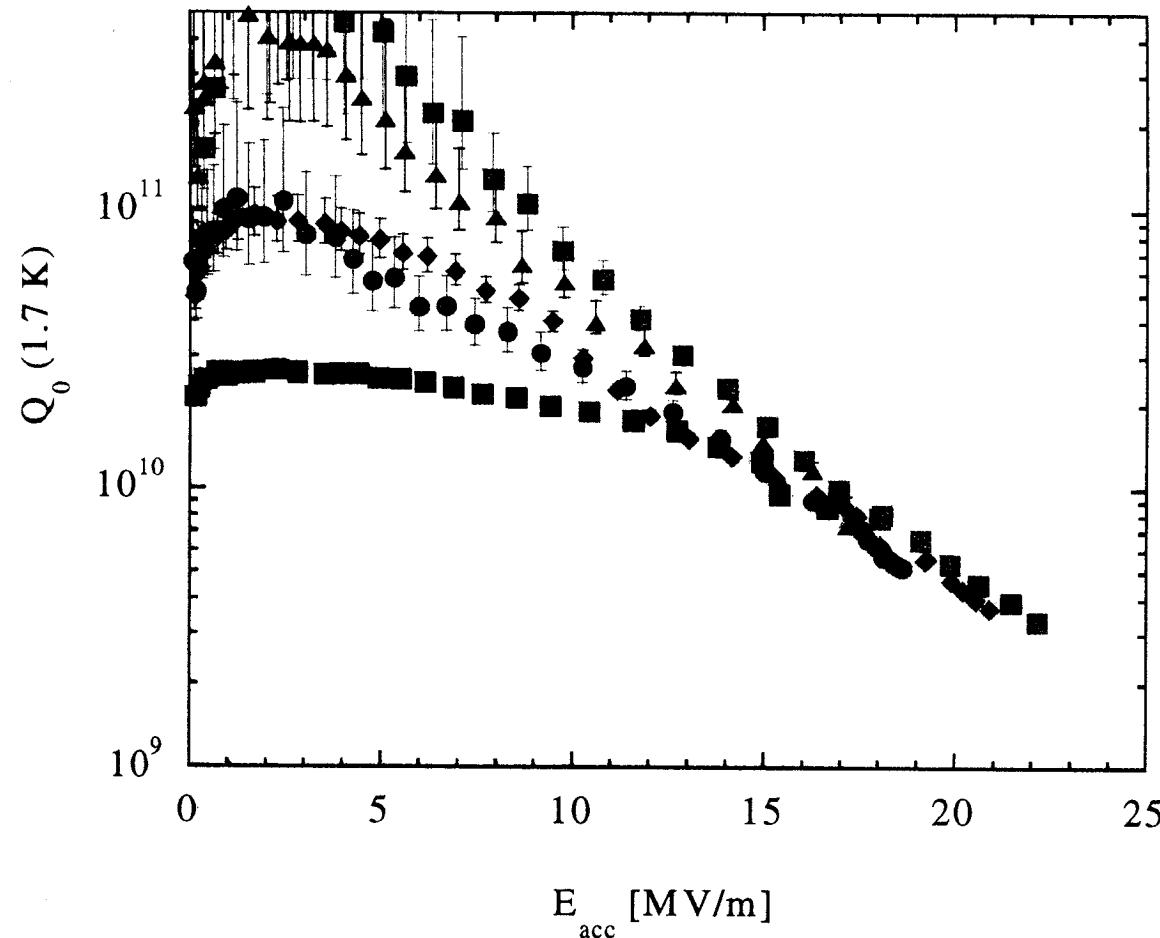
$$R_{res}^1$$

$$1.5 \pm 1 \text{ n}\Omega \text{ m MV}^{-1}$$



## High-Q, High Gradient Niobium-Coated Cavities at CERN

### High gradient cavities



Coatings performed  
using krypton

Rinsed with upgraded  
HPWR installation

- SUBSYSTEMS:

- HIGH POWER COUPLERS

APT : 700 kW CW, 700 MHz

DESY: 1 MW, 1.3 ms, 1.3 GHz

↳ processing takes long

ORsay/SACLAY: R&D

CERN : LHC COURIER

- TUNERS : MAGNETIC 'SMART' MATERIALS

- OTHER :

- RELIABILITY DATABASE

- CAVITY TEST RESULTS DATABASE

# CONCLUSION

- $25 \text{ MV/m}$  IN TESLA CAVITIES ESTABLISHED
- HIGHER GRADIENTS  $\geq 40 \text{ MV/m}$  POSSIBLE WITH ELECTROPOLISHING + BAKEOUT AT  $100^\circ\text{C}$
- LOW-FIELD BEHAVIOUR OF BAKEOUT DUE TO OXYGEN DIFFUSION
- HIGH-FIELD BEHAVIOUR NEEDS MORE UNDERSTANDING
- SPUN CAVITIES SHOW GOOD PERFORMANCE