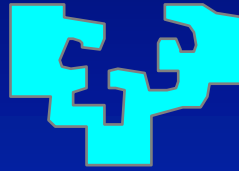


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Internal Friction at Nano-scale and Size-effects on Damping in Shape Memory Alloys

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Objective: Applying SMA at small scale

The SMA are more competitive as sensors and actuators when decrease de size of the device

Maximum workout per unit of volume $\sim 10^7 \text{ J/m}^3$

The Idea !!

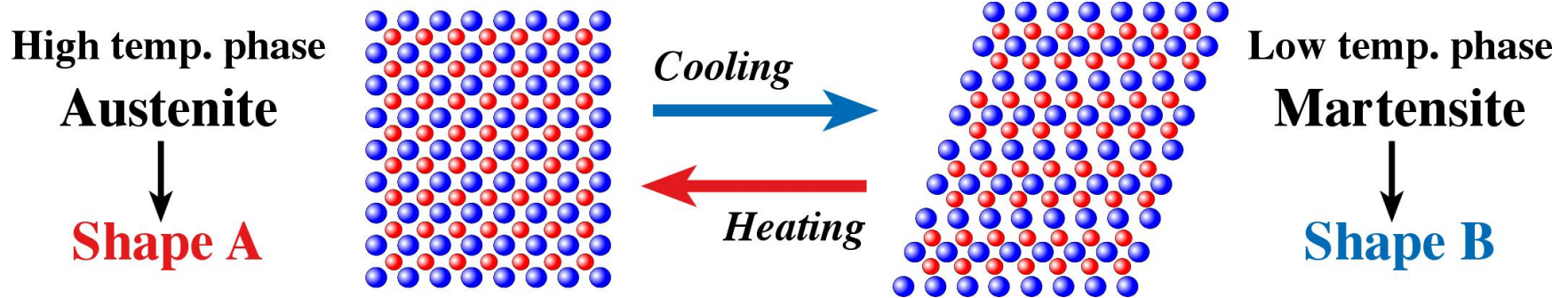


Shape Memory Alloys for Micro Electro-Mechanical Systems
(SMA for Smart MEMS called SMEMS)

Projects: MAT2017-84069-P from the Spanish Ministry MINECO.
& ELKARTEK-CEMAP-2020 from Basque Government.

Shape Memory Alloy at small-scale

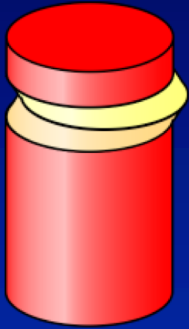
Thermo – elastic Martensitic Transformation



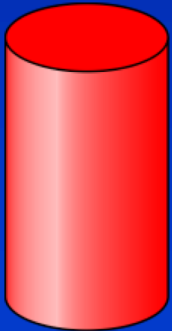
Thermally or stress-induced transformation

Stress-induced → Superelastic effect

Superelastic effect



II. At a critical stress σ_c Martensite is induced



I. Elastic deformation of the Austenite Pillar

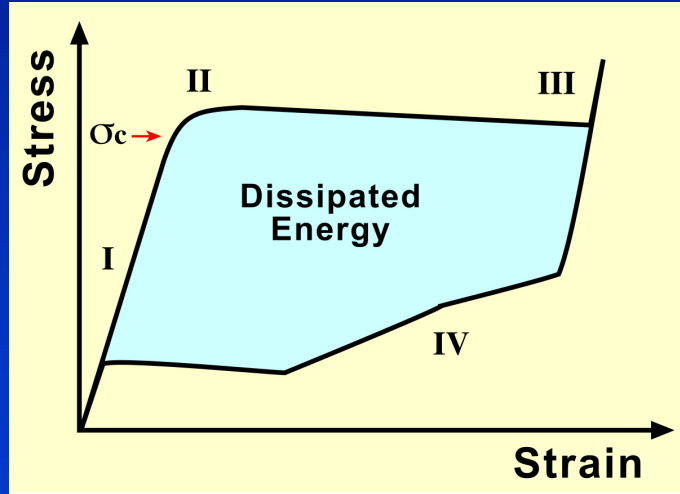
II to III Martensite variants compatible with the applied stress are induced



III. All the Austenite could be transformed to Martensite



IV. The transformation is reversible during unloading



Recovery when the stress is withdrawn



Focus Ion Beam (FIB) Micro / Nano Pillars

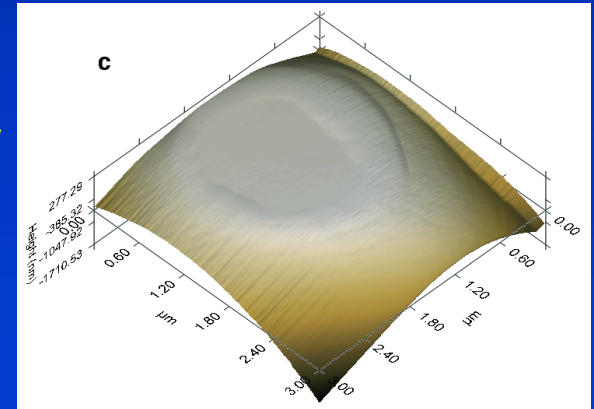
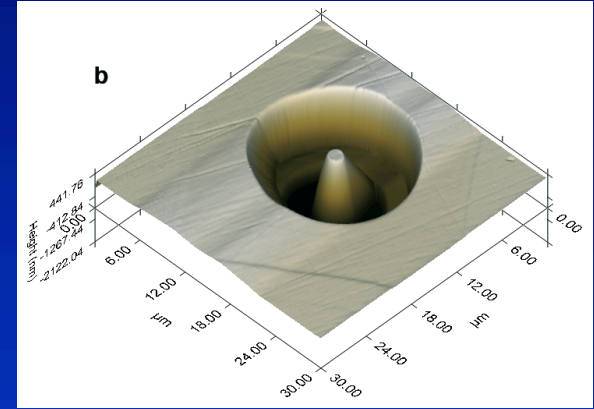
Cu-Al-Ni
SMA

[001] Oriented
Single crystal

Image at constant
contact force 2 μN
sphero-conical tip

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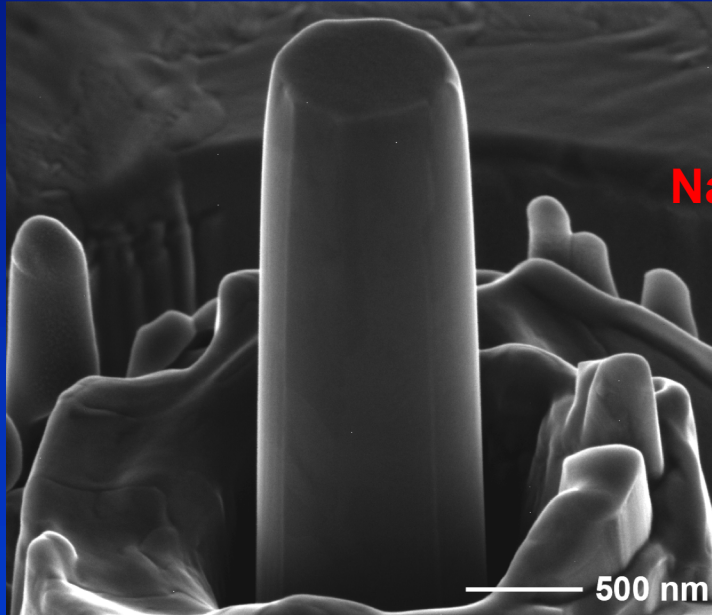
5 μm



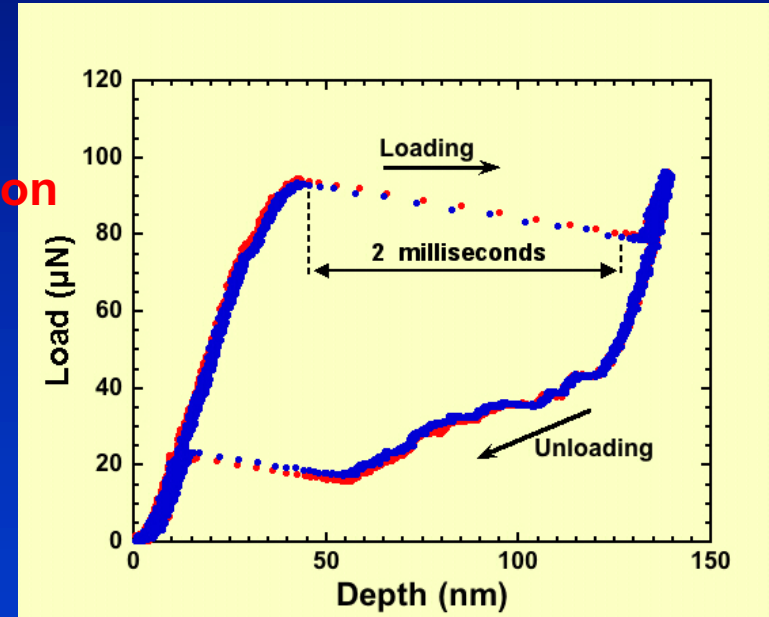
J. San Juan, M.L. Nó & C. Schuh, Advanced Materials 20 (2008) 272

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Superelastic Micro & Nano - Pillars



**Nanocompression
behaviour**



Superelastic behaviour of a sub-Micrometer Pillar

J. San Juan, M.L. Nó & C. Schuh, Nature Nanotechnology 4 (2009) 415-419

*Are there size-effects
on superelasticity ?*

The beginning of the size-effects

All began in 2004 & 2005

When the pioneers on the size effects in confined crystal plasticity

Uchic, M.D., Dimiduk, D.M., Florando, J.N. & Nix, W.D. , Sample dimensions influence strength and crystal plasticity. *Science* 305, 986-989 (2004).

Gall, K., Diao, J. & Dunn, M.L. , The strength of gold nanowires. *Nano Letters* 4, 2431-2436 (2004).

Greer, J.R., Oliver, W.C. & Nix W.D. , Size dependence of mechanical properties of gold at the micron scale in the absence of strain gradients. *Acta Materialia* 53, 1821-1830 (2005).

Smaller is stronger !!

The beginning of the size-effects in SMA

A couple of years after, began the tests at micro-nano scale in SMA

1st Fully closed and reproducible superelastic test at nanoscale

San Juan, J., Nó, M.L. & Schuh, C.A. , Superelasticity and shape memory in micro- and nanometer-scale pillars. *Advanced Materials* 20, 272-278 (2008).

1st Size effect reported on superelasticity at nanoscale

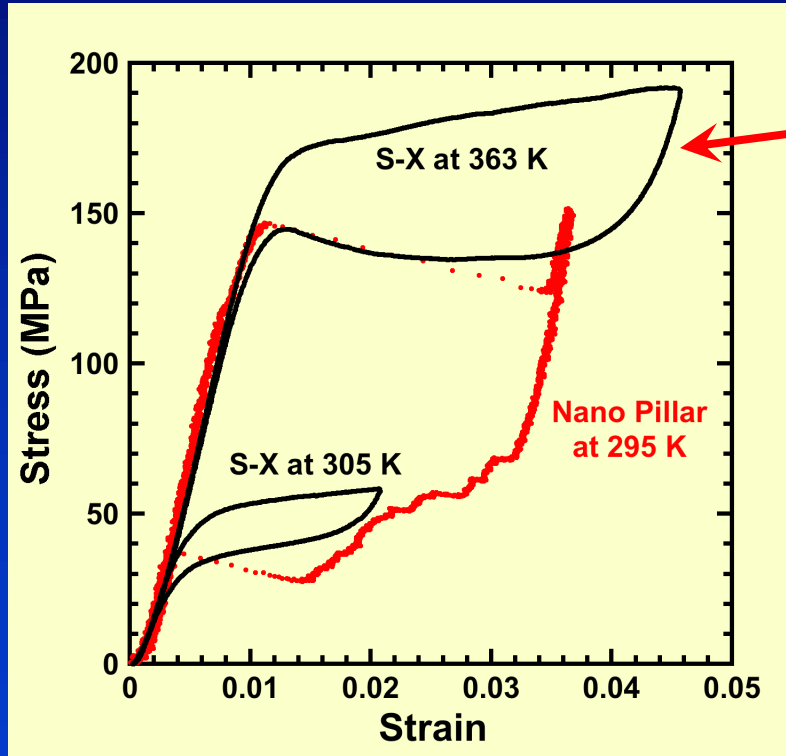
San Juan, J., Nó, M.L. & Schuh, C.A. , Nanoscale shape-memory alloys for ultrahigh mechanical damping. *Nature Nanotechnology* 4, 415-419 (2009).

1st In-situ TEM showing the size effect on selection rules of martensite at nanoscale

Nó, M.L., Ibarra, A., Caillard, D. & San Juan, J. , Quantitative analysis of stress-induced martensites by in situ transmission electron microscopy superelastic tests in Cu-Al-Ni shape memory alloys. *Acta Materialia* 58, 6181-6193 (2010).

Smaller is ... different !!

Size - Effects at Nano - Scale



Compression test in Bulk Material

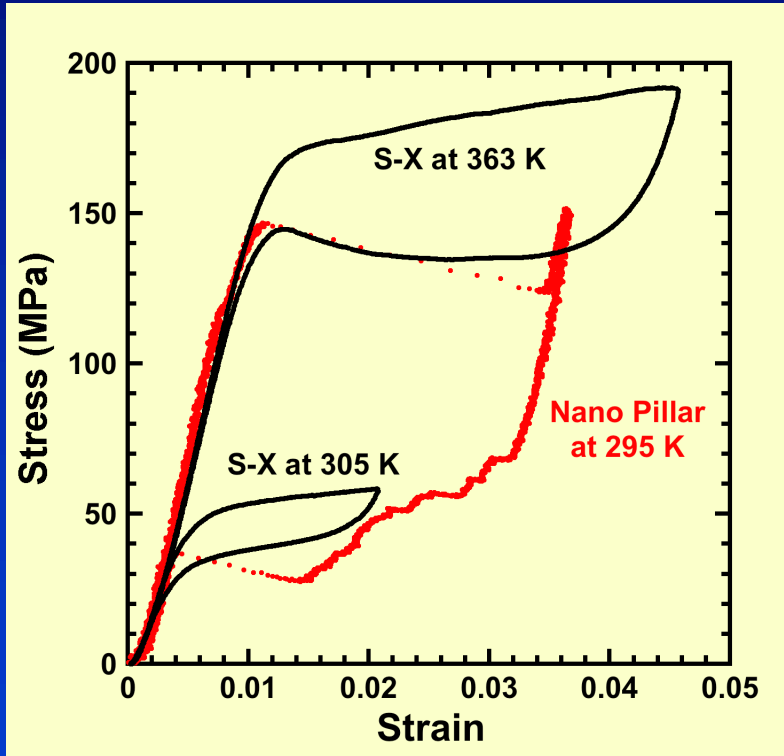
*A.Ibarra, J. San Juan, M.L. Nó
Acta Materialia 55 (2007) 4789*

**Size – effects
Superelastic behaviour
at Nano - scale**

1st Size effect:

Increase of σ_c

Size - Effects at Nano - Scale



1st Size effect:

Increase of σ_c

Paucity of dislocations for heterogeneous nucleation

2nd Size effect:

Change of selection rules for martensite

Nucleation of Martensites with best oriented basal planes

3rd Size effect:

Decrease of the σ for recovery

Martensite relieves the elastic stored energy at the free surface

M.L. Nó, A. Ibarra, D. Caillard, J. San Juan. Acta Mater 58 (2010) 6181

J. San Juan, M.L. Nó, J. Alloys & Compounds 577S (2013) S25

Size Effects: Ultra-high Damping

For a positive stress - strain cycle
Loss Factor or Internal Friction



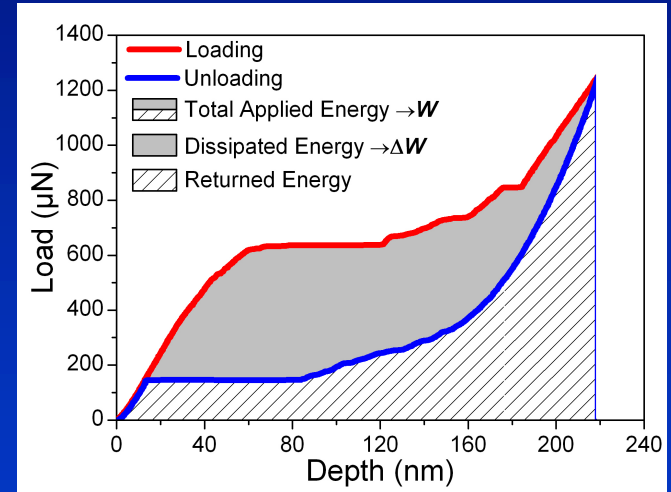
High Damping Materials for Structural Applications
High Stiffness & High Damping



Columns loaded in compression
or Beams loaded in bending



$$\text{Merit Index} = E^{1/2} \cdot \eta$$



$$\eta = \tan(\phi) = \frac{\Delta W}{\pi \cdot W_{\max}}$$

Size - Effects at Nano - Scale

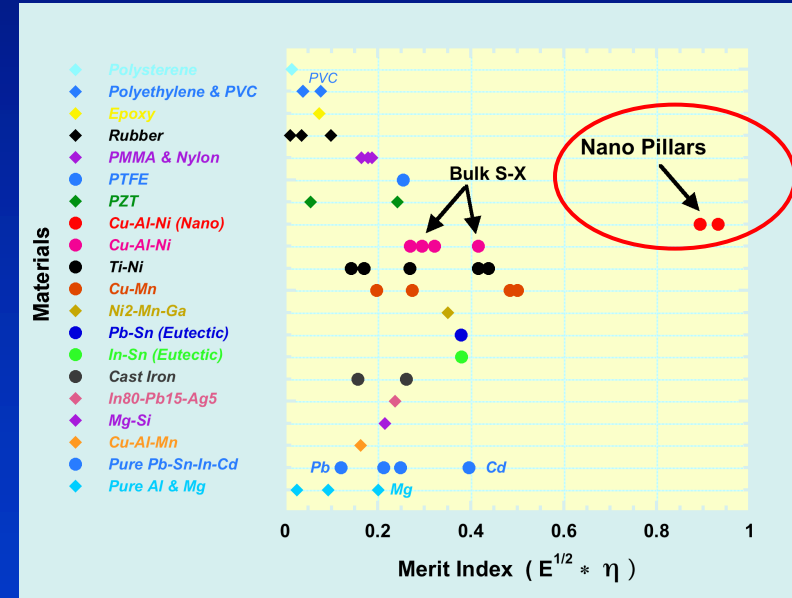
Increase of the critical stress
for superelasticity



Decrease of the stress
for recovery



Increase of the cycle enclosed area

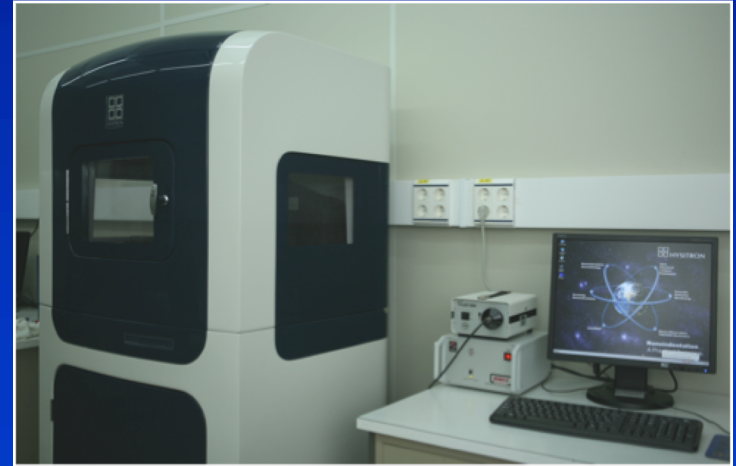


J. San Juan, et al, Nature Nanotechnology 4 (2009) 415-419

4th Size effect: Ultra-High Damping at Nanoscale

Objective: Size effect on σ_c for superelasticity

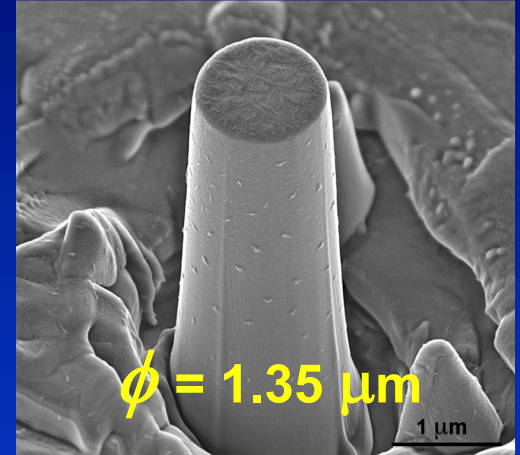
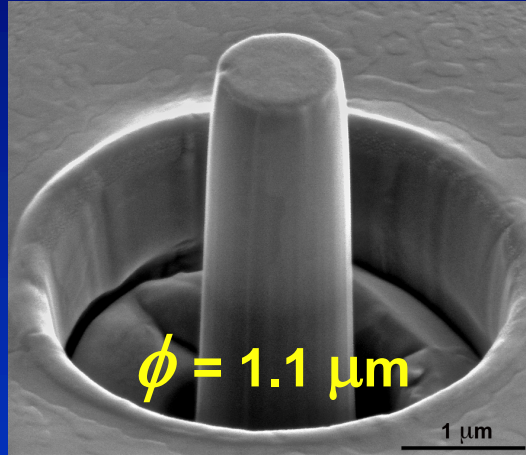
- **Cu-Al-Ni & Cu-Al-Be Shape Memory Alloys.** *Single crystals [001]*
- **Micro & nano pillars milled by FIB**
(*FEI Helios Nanolab 650*)
- **Nano – compression tests**
(*Hysitron TI-950*) &
(*Jeol 7000F + Hysitron PI-85*)
(*Sphero-Conical indenter 2 μm radio*)
- **A series of micro-nano pillars**
(*from 2 μm to 260 nm ϕ*)



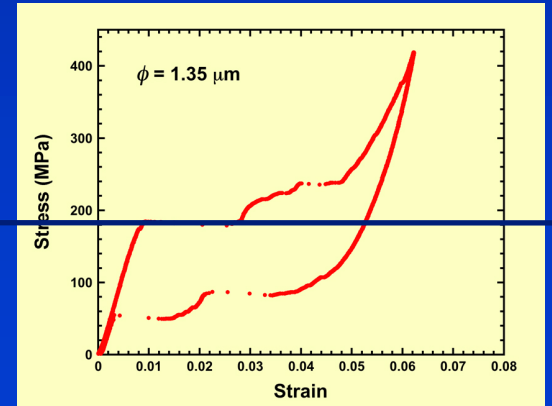
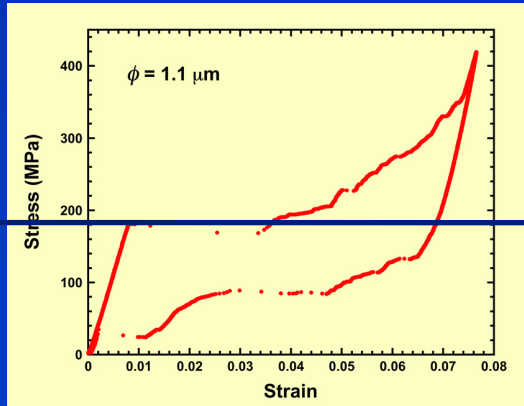
Size Effects on Superelasticity

Cu-Al-Ni

Pillars $> 1\mu\text{m}$



Nano-compression
Stress – Strain
curves

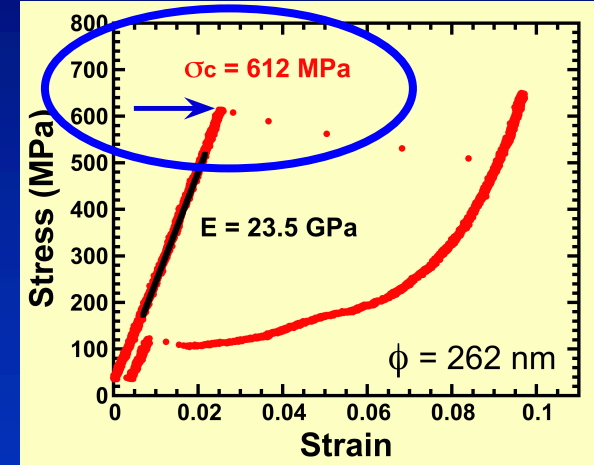
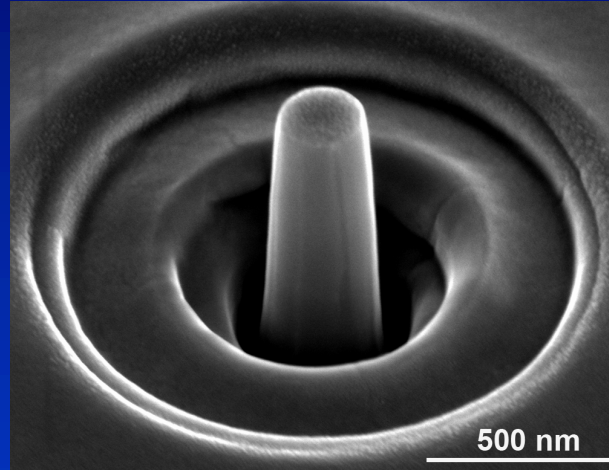


Superelastic testing at Nano-scale

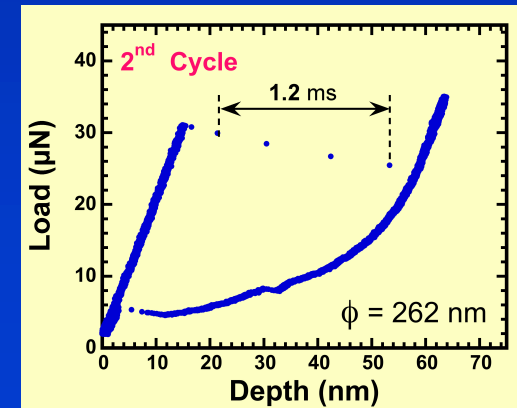
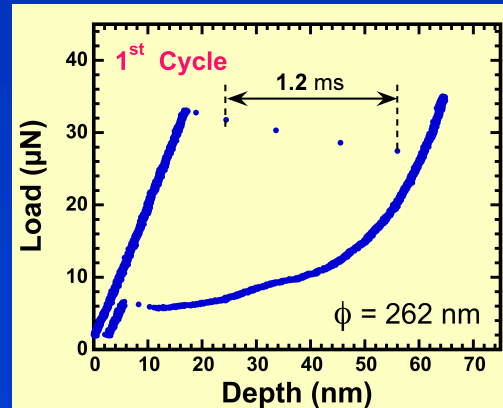
Cu-Al-Ni

Small Pillar

260 nm ϕ

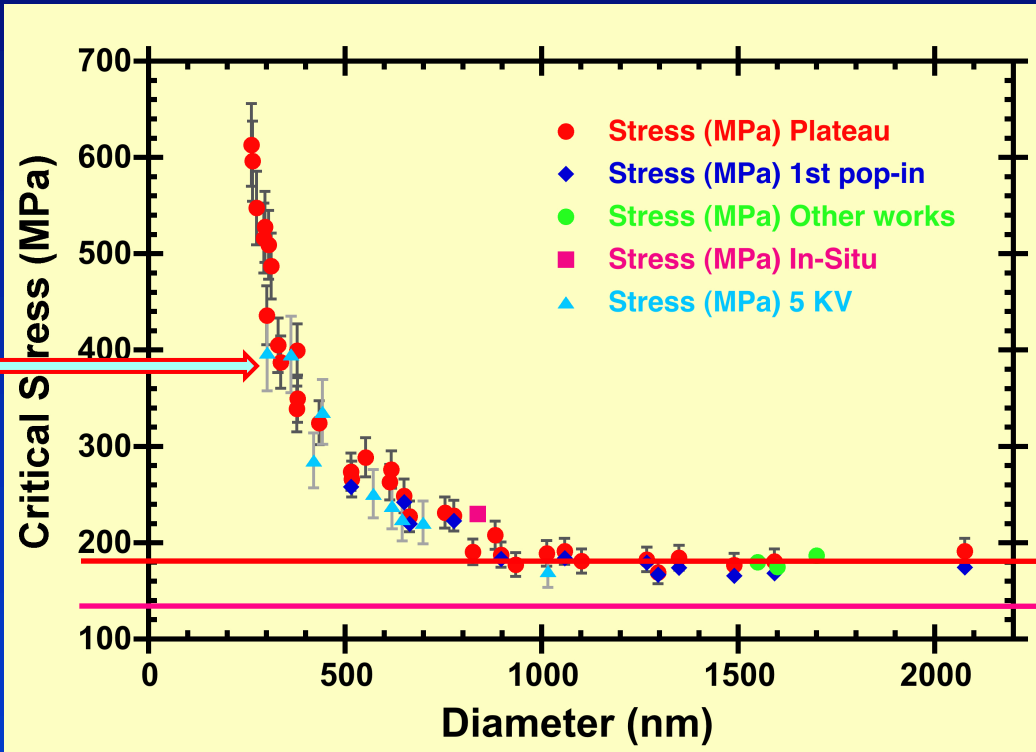


Comparison of the two first cycles



Size effect in Superelasticity

Strong increase
on the
critical stress
for
Superelasticity



Many
Experimental
conditions

Non-dependent
Stress value σ_0

Bulk S-X

These results demonstrated that there is a size effect in Superelasticity

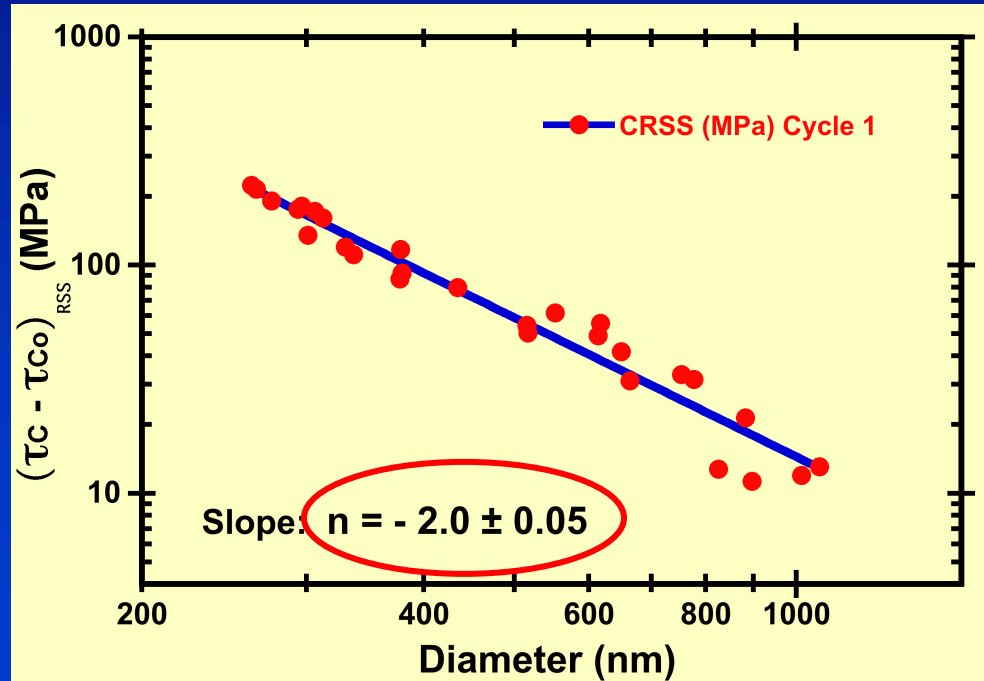
*What is the scaling - law
for
this size-effect ?*

Scaling-Law at Nano-scale

First approach: $\sigma_c = \sigma_{c0} + A \times d^{-n}$

As proposed for the
size – effect in
confined plasticity

Cu-Al-Ni
[001] single crystals



Universal Scaling-Law for superelasticity

Similar behavior for Cu-Al-Ni and Cu-Al-Be

Strong increase of the critical stress σ_c for superelasticity
when decreasing the size of the pillar below $1\ \mu\text{m}$

Scaling-law for size-effect on the critical stress in superelasticity
 n takes a value - 2

Universal Scaling-Law for superelasticity in Cu-based SMA

Universal Scaling-Law for superelasticity

Scaling power-Law : $\sigma_c = \sigma_{c0} + A \times d^{-n}$

Scaling-law for size-effect in plasticity: n vary from -0.6 to -0.8

Scaling-law for size-effect on the critical stress σ_c in superelasticity

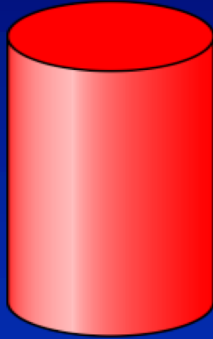
n takes a value -2

Proposed model to explain this exponent 2

Due to starvation of dislocations and clean surfaces, there are no specific points for Nucleation of Martensite phase. Nucleation of Martensite phase occurs at the atomic lattice of austenite parallel to {110} planes

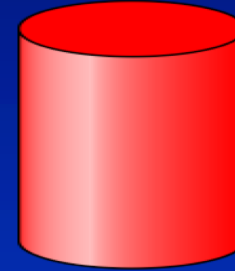
the atomic lattice of austenite parallel to {110} planes

Model for homogeneous nucleation



Elastic Compression deformation
of the Austenite Pillar

$$\epsilon_{rr} = -\nu \epsilon_{zz}$$



Elastic Longitudinal contraction
Lateral expansion

Important effect because of the
high value of the Poisson ratio

$$\nu = 0.47$$

(In-situ experiment)

Instrumented Pico - Indenter at SEM

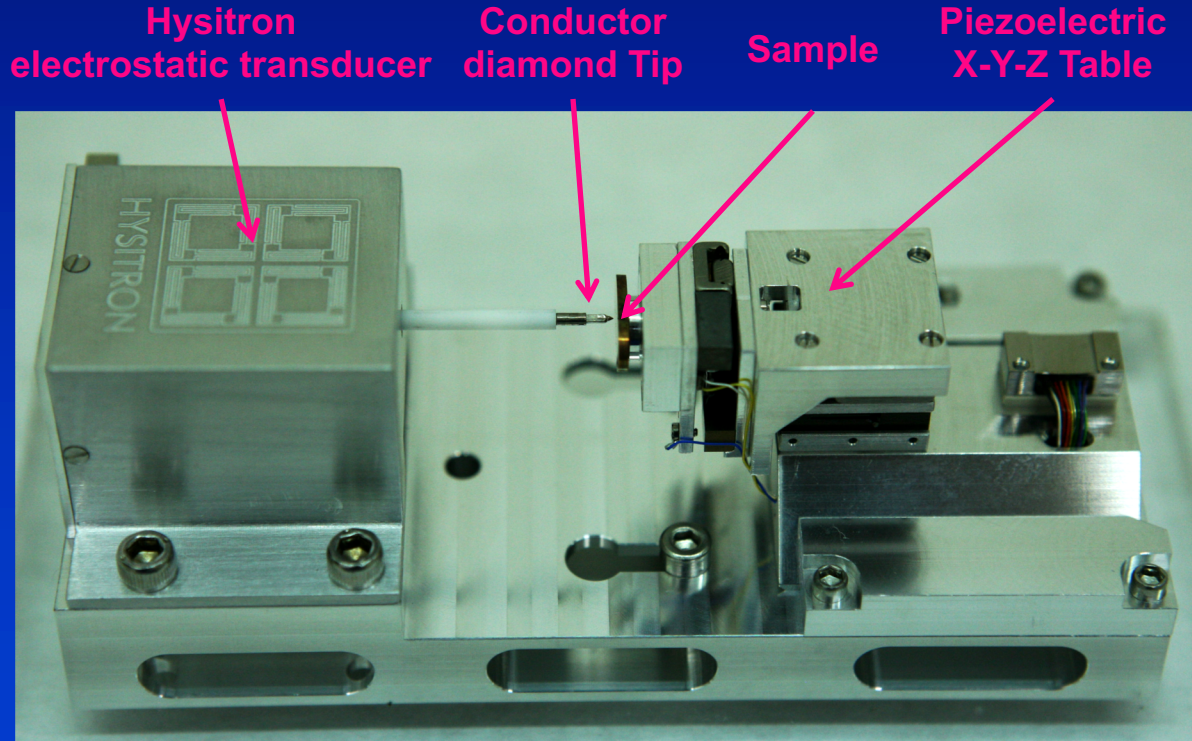


**SEM - FEG
JEOL – 7000F**

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**Hysitron Pico-indenter
PI - 85**

Instrumented Pico - Indenter at SEM



SEM - FEG
JEOL - 7000F

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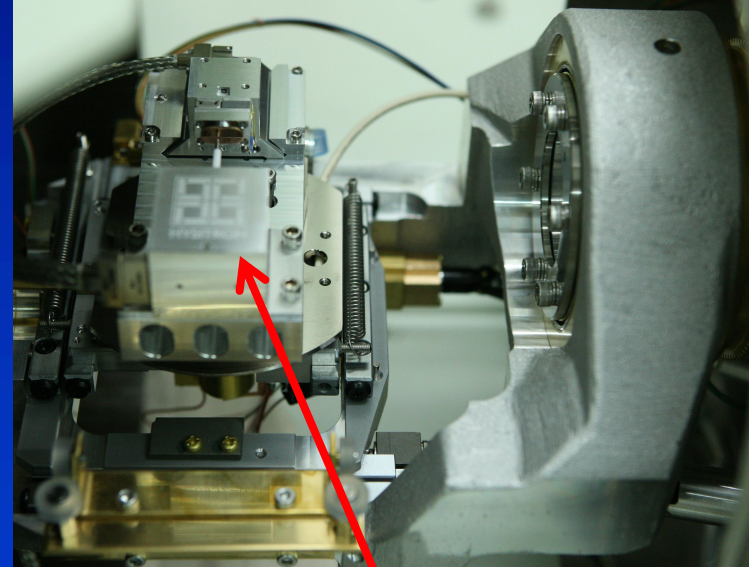
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In-Situ Superelastic testing at SEM



**SEM - FEG
JEOL - 7000F**

**Open the
main door**

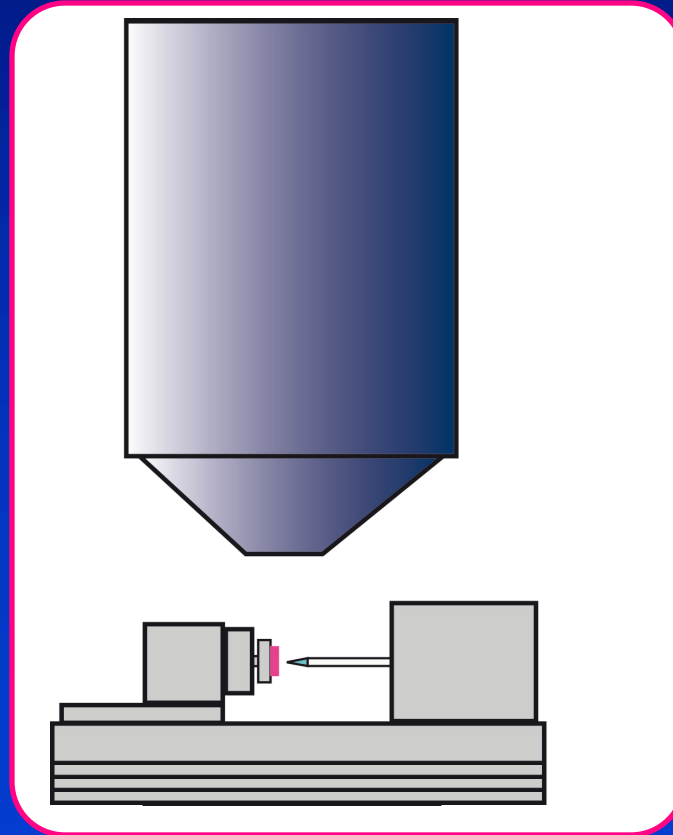


**Hysitron Pico-indenter
PI - 85**

+

In-Situ Superelastic testing at SEM

Pole piece of
the SEM



Picoindenter



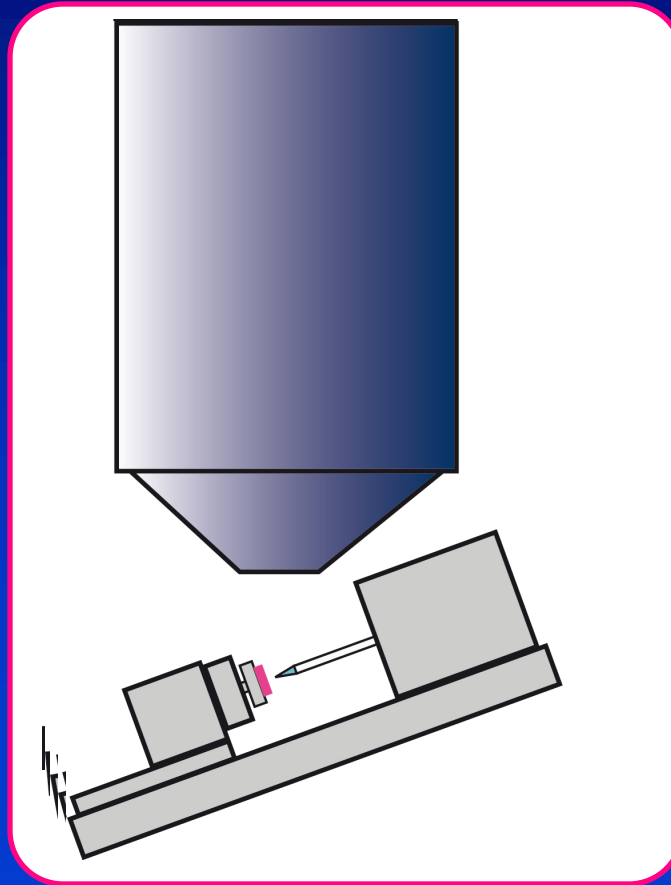
Rotation of the
Picoindenter



Approach the
Picoindenter
to the WD

In-Situ Superelastic testing at SEM

Pole piece of
the SEM



Picoindenter



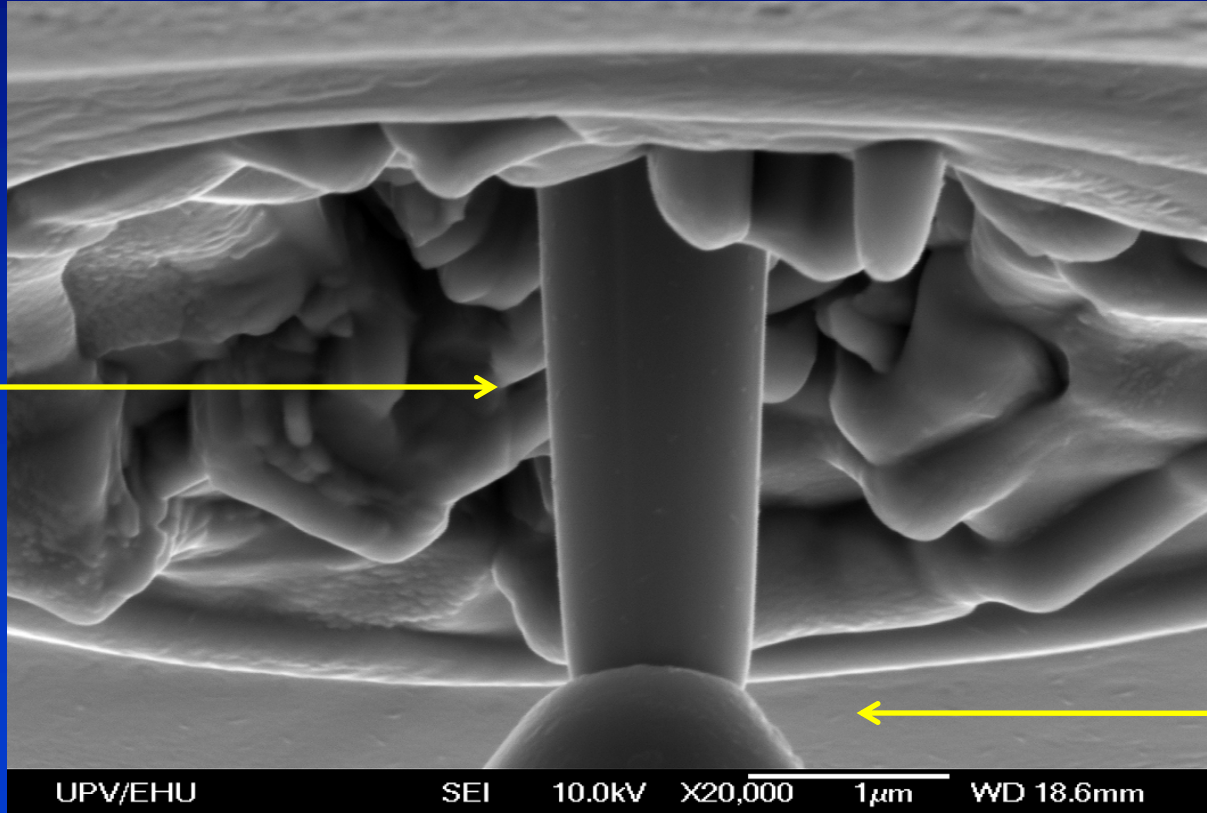
Tilt of the
Picoindenter



Approach the
sample to
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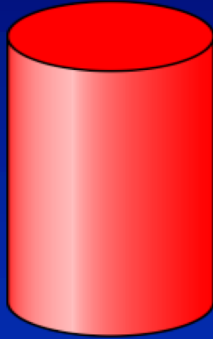
In-Situ Superelastic testing at SEM

Pillar

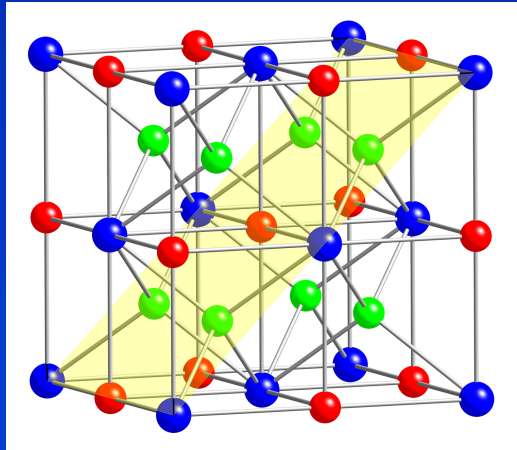


Flat indenter

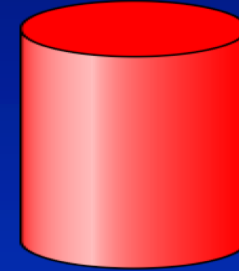
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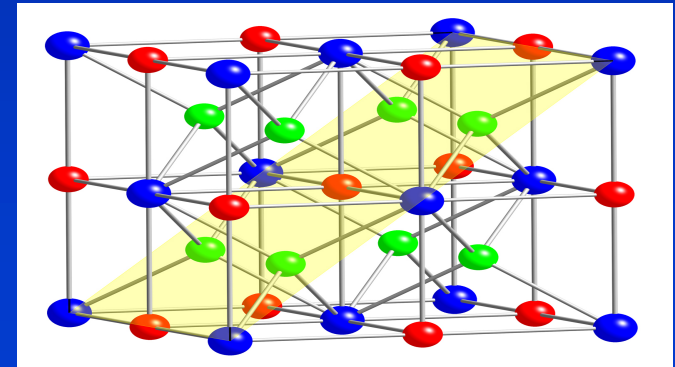
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Elastic Longitudinal contraction
Lateral expansion



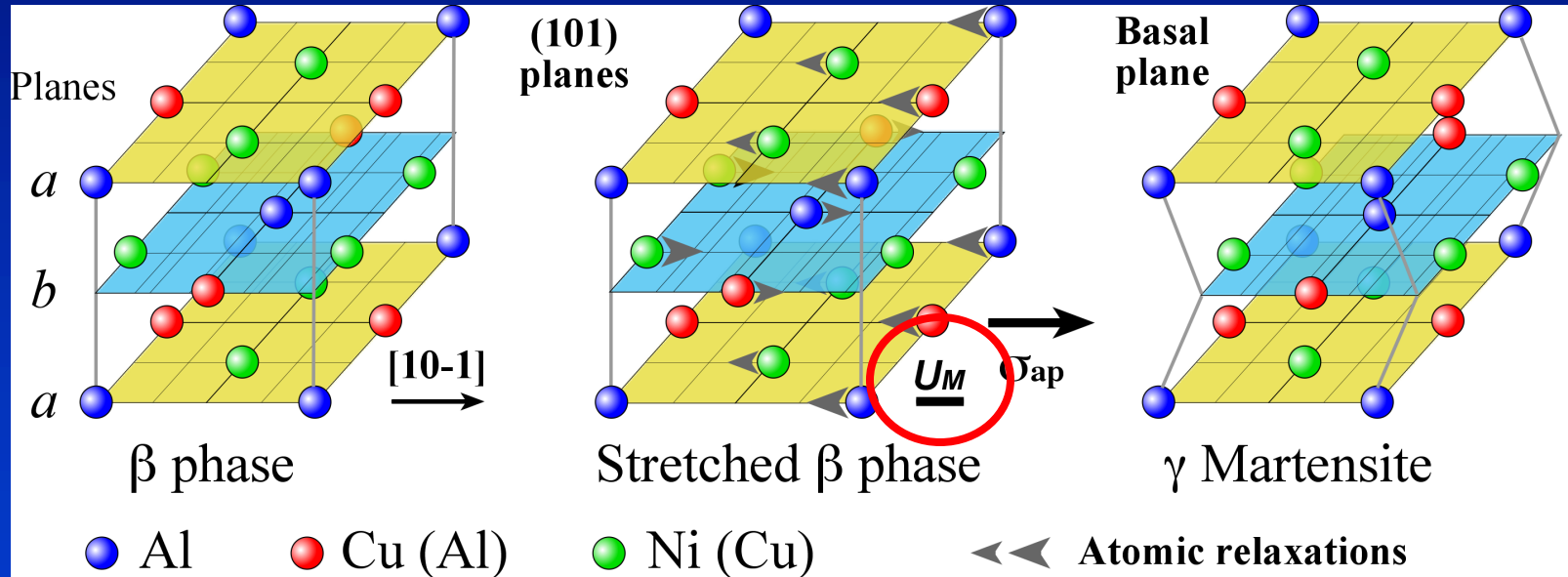
Compressed
 $L2_1$ Lattice



(101) planes
expanded

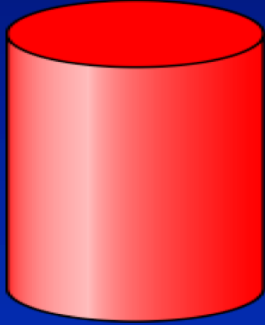
Model for homogeneous nucleation

Atomic model for Homogeneous Nucleation of Martensite

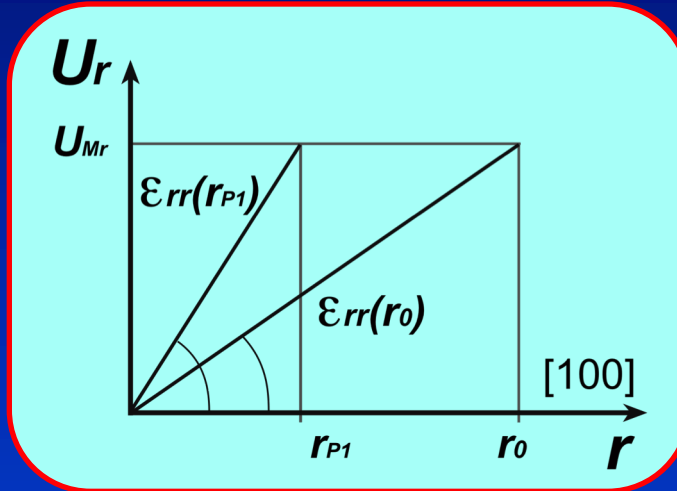


When the elastic displacement on (110) planes reach U_M
Where is coming the size-effect from ??
the homogeneous transformation takes place.

Model for homogeneous nucleation



$$\epsilon_{rr} = -\nu (\sigma_{ap}/E)$$



Evaluate

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_{apc}}{\partial r_P}$$

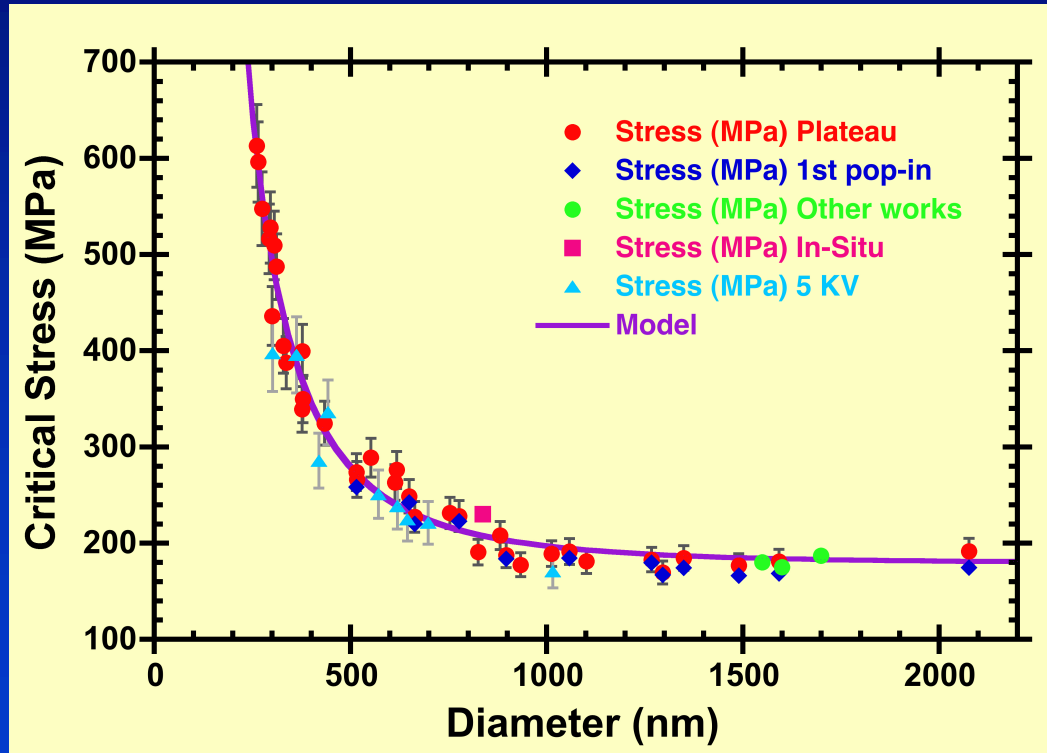
To reach U_M

$$\sigma_{apc}(d_P) = \sigma_{apc}(d_0) + \frac{2\sqrt{2} \cdot E \cdot U_M}{m_b \cdot \nu} \cdot (d_0 - d_P) \cdot \frac{1}{d_P^2}$$

Dependence of the Critical Stress on the pillar Diameter

Atomic model & Scaling-Law

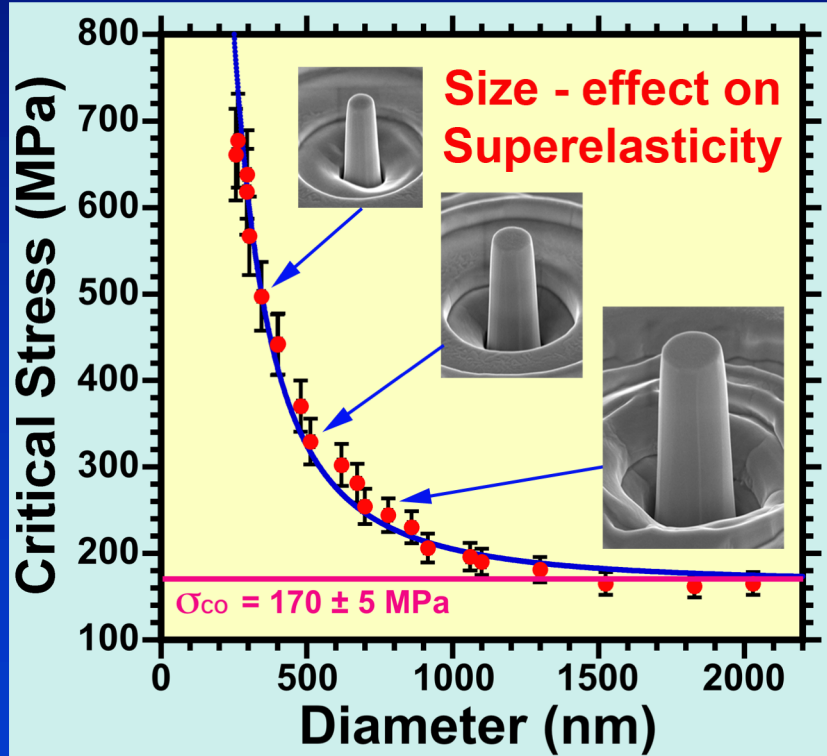
Cu-Al-Ni
data



The Scaling-Law Model for Superelasticity
is consistent with the experimentally observed Size-effect

*Is this a particular
behaviour or
it is a general one ?*

Universal Scaling-Law for the Size effect

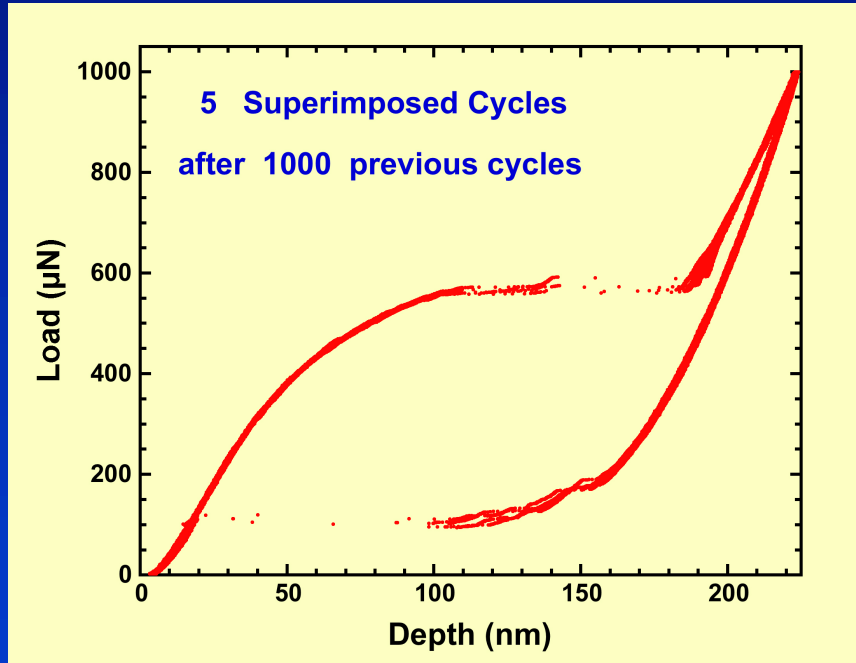


Similar results for Cu-Al-Be

**Universal Scaling-Law
for Superelasticity
in Cu-based SMA**

*What about Damping
at the nano-scale ?*

Damping at Nano-scale



Preliminary works on
Cu-Al-Ni pillars



Very good reproducibility
Complete reversible recovery



Develop micro-dampers
to protect MEMS

Micro-Nano Dampers of SMA

**Vibration Damping in MEMS
for aero-space applications**



**Spatial travel between
the Earth and Mars**



**210 days of travel without
relevant vibrations**

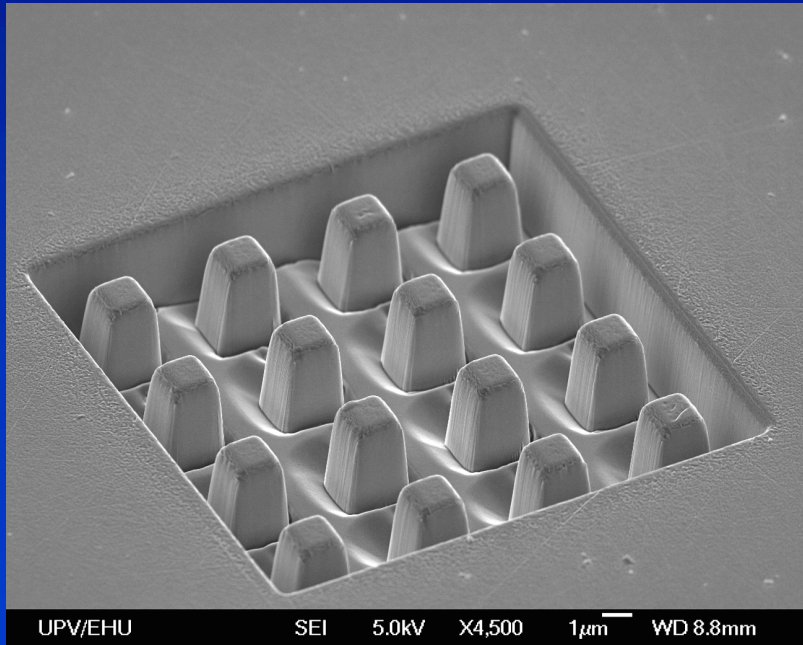
**Take off: Mechanical vibrations.
It is important to damp them**

Landing at Earth

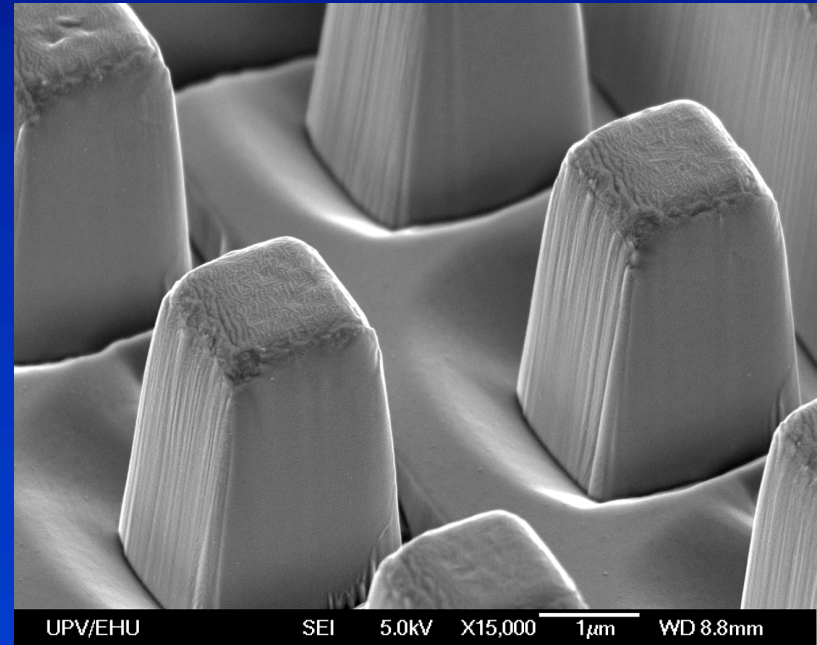
**Landing: Mechanical
vibrations.
Again, important to damp them**
496 waiting days in Mars

Damping at Nano-scale

To test the reproducibility of Damping on cycling and on time



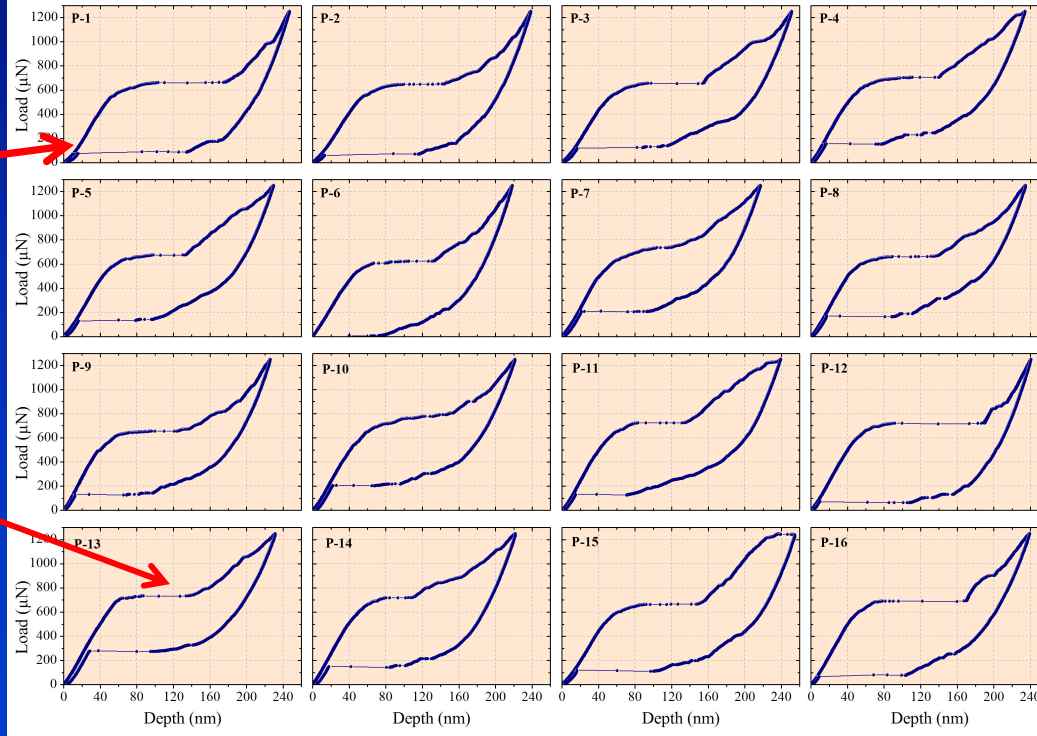
Array of 16 micropillars : $20 \mu\text{m}^2$



Pillars size = $1,7 \times 1,7 \times 3,5 \mu\text{m}^3$

Damping at Nano-scale

β_3



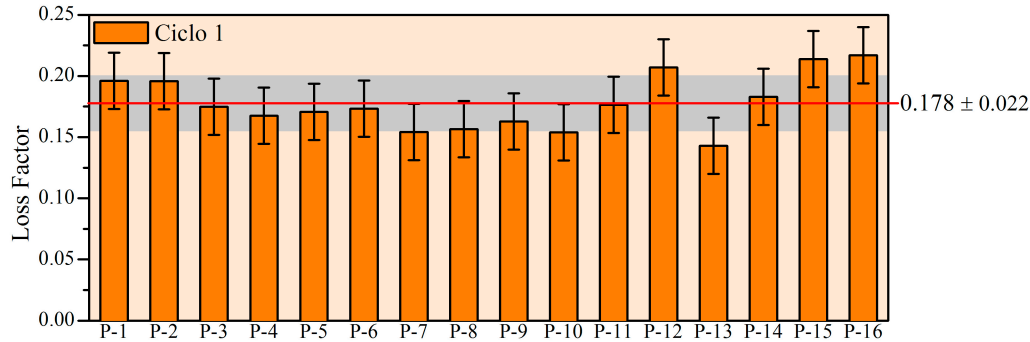
Pillars of the array

Similar behaviour for all pillars

Superelastic tests
Nano-compression
martensite



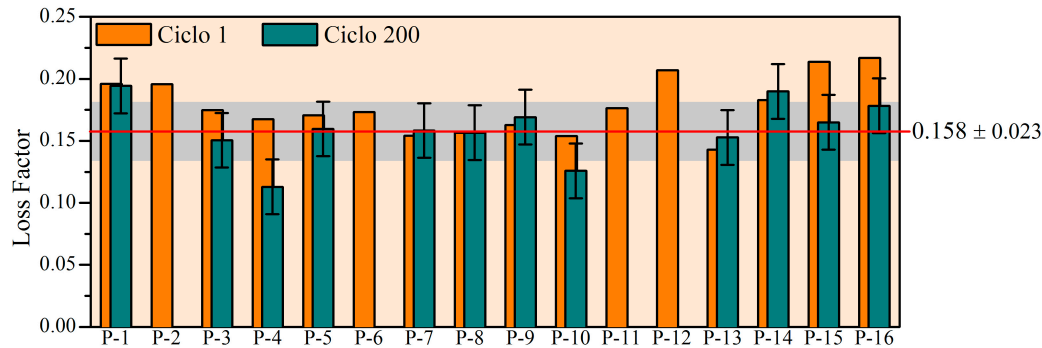
Damping at Nano-scale



Loss factor for the 16 pillars

Mean value

$$\eta = 0.178$$



Damping after 200 cycles

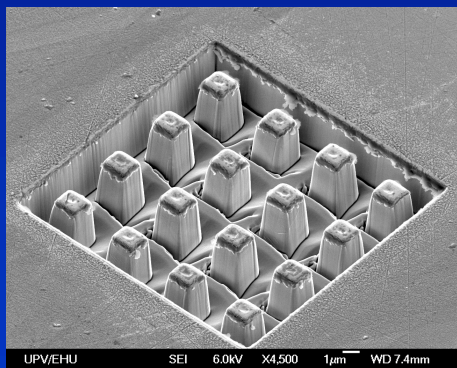
Mean value

$$\eta = 0.158$$

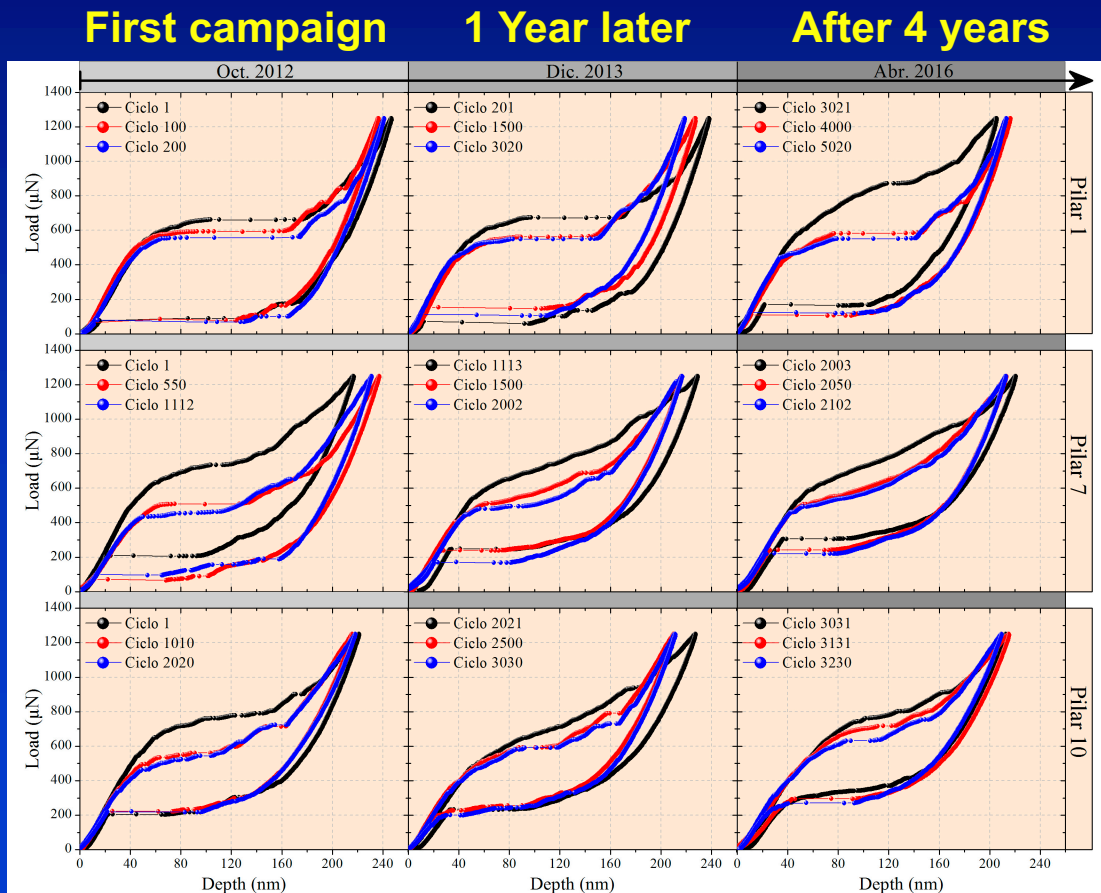
Slightly lower but still very high

Damping at Nano-scale

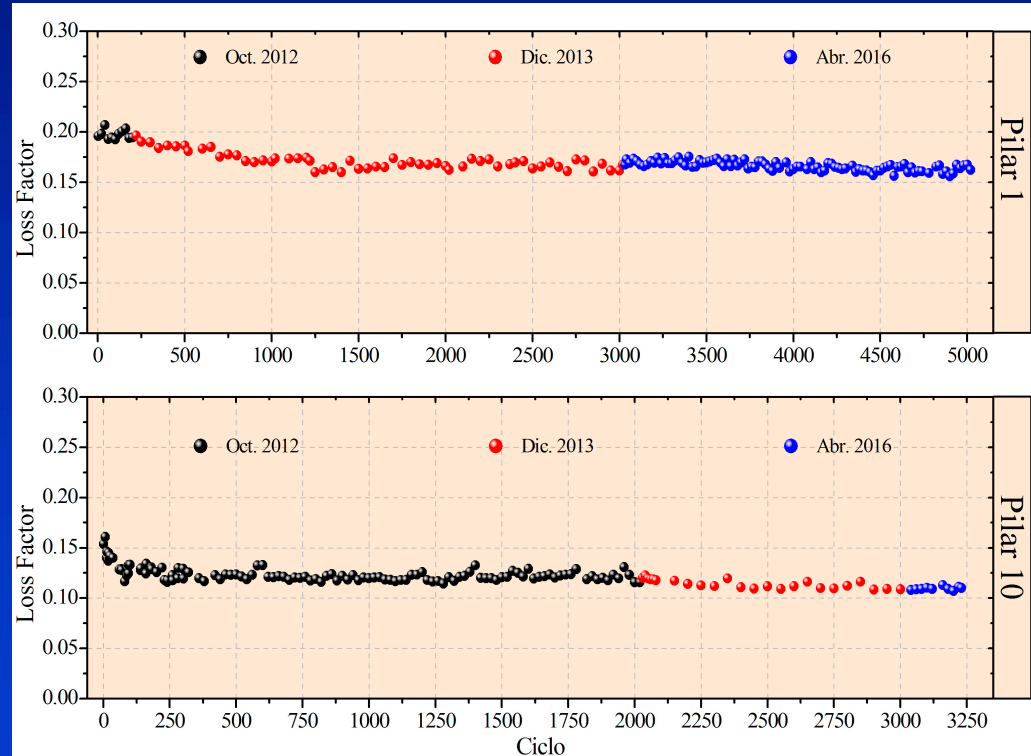
All pillars were tested for 200 cycles



Some pillars were tested for more than 2000 cycles



Damping at Nano-scale



Very good reliability
as a function of time

P1: $\eta = 0.17$

P10: $\eta = 0.12$

Ultra-high Damping
along cycling & on time

*Is this damping
behaviour only present
in compression?*

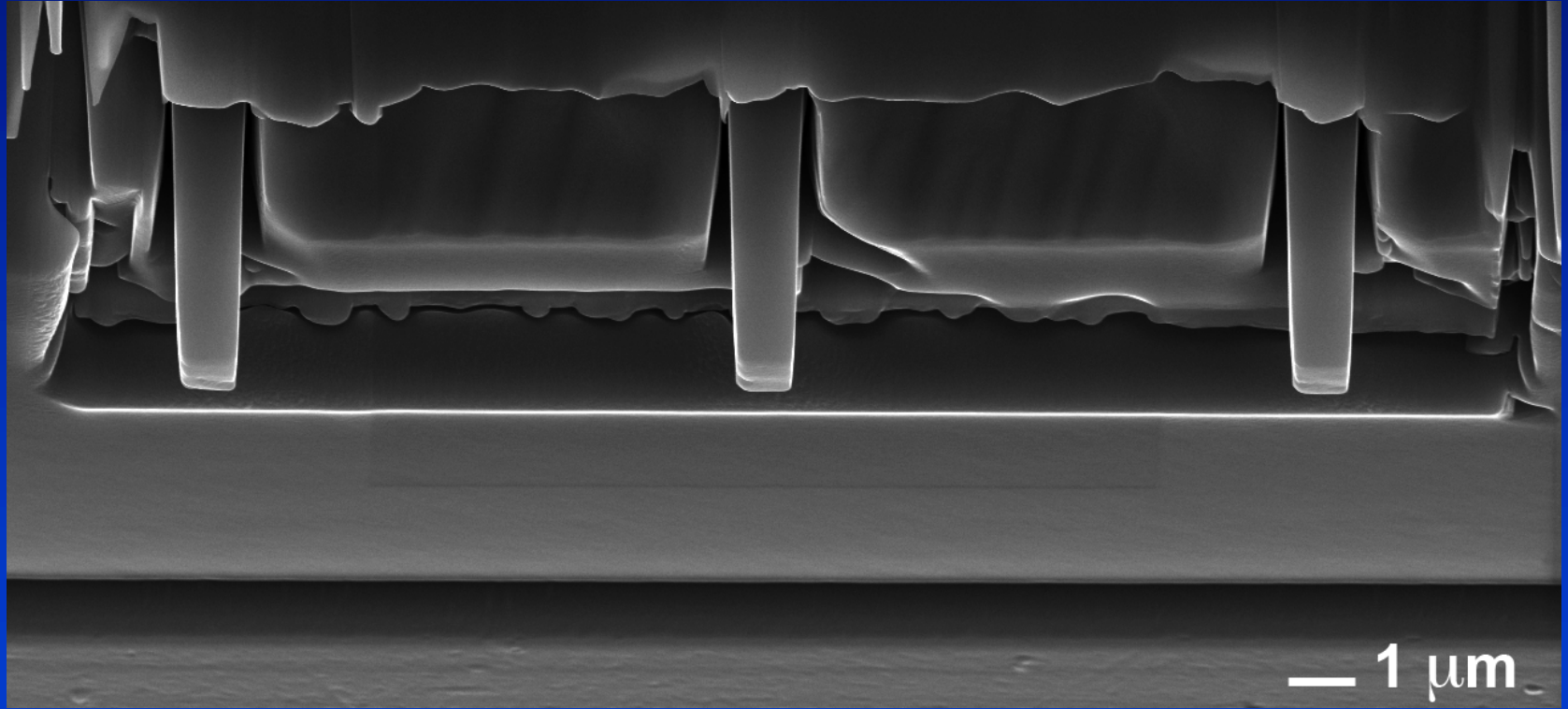
Damping at Nano-scale

To answer the above question we start by doing some preliminary in-situ off-axis tests in bending mode.

Then, several micro-beams were produced by FIB, to be tested in bending at the nanoindenter

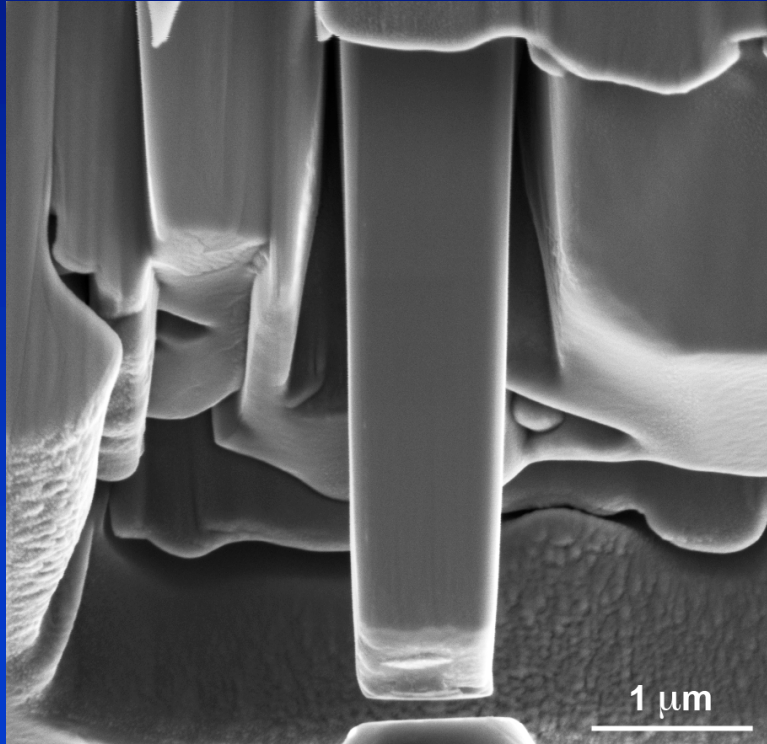
The results from these tests evidence ...

Damping at Nano-scale: In-situ tests

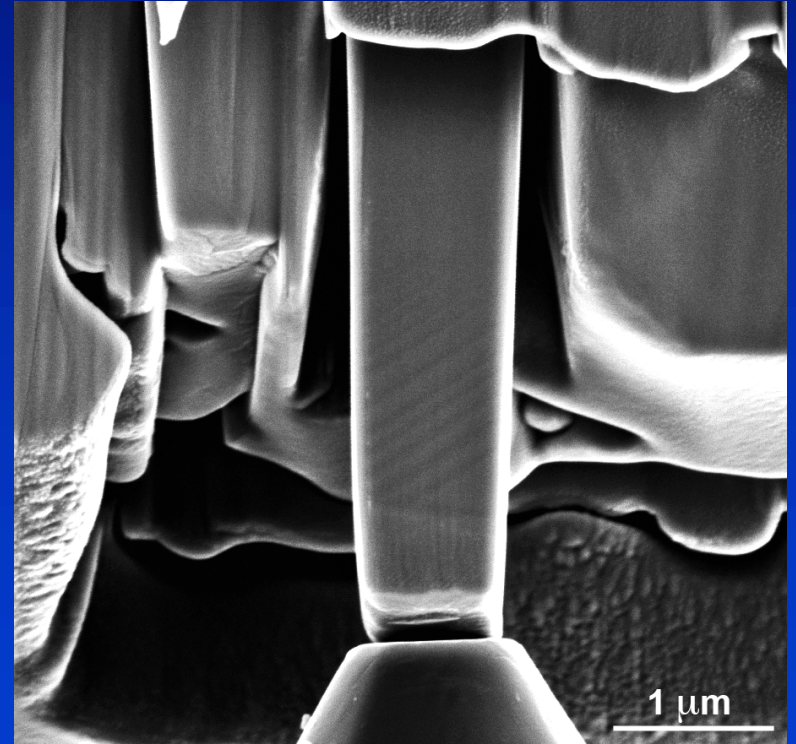


Array of Cu-Al-Ni micropillars milled by FIB on [001] single crystal

Damping at Nano-scale: In-situ tests

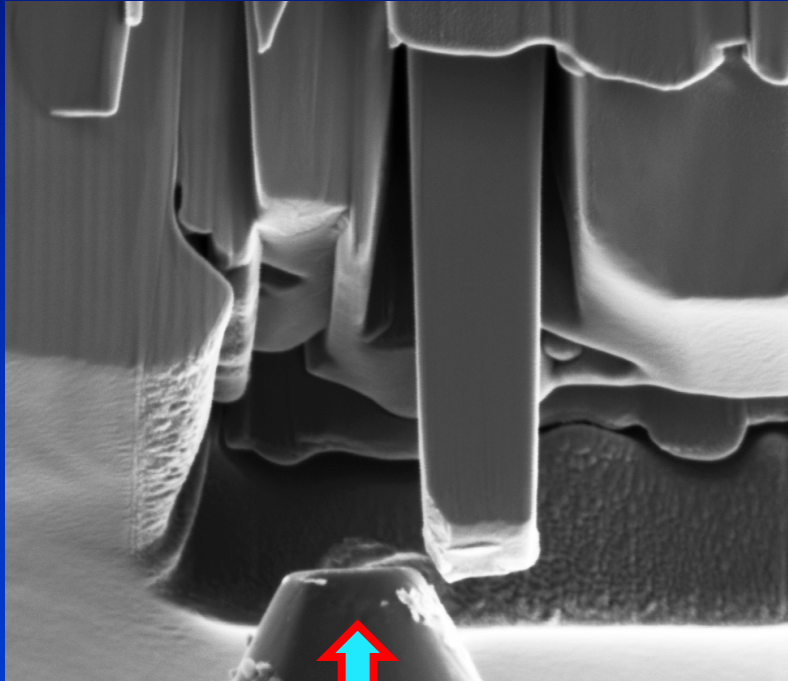


Before the test



Under applied stress

Damping at Nano-scale: In-situ tests

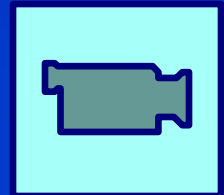
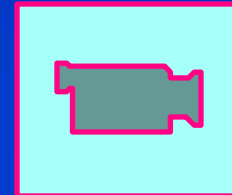


Diamond indenter

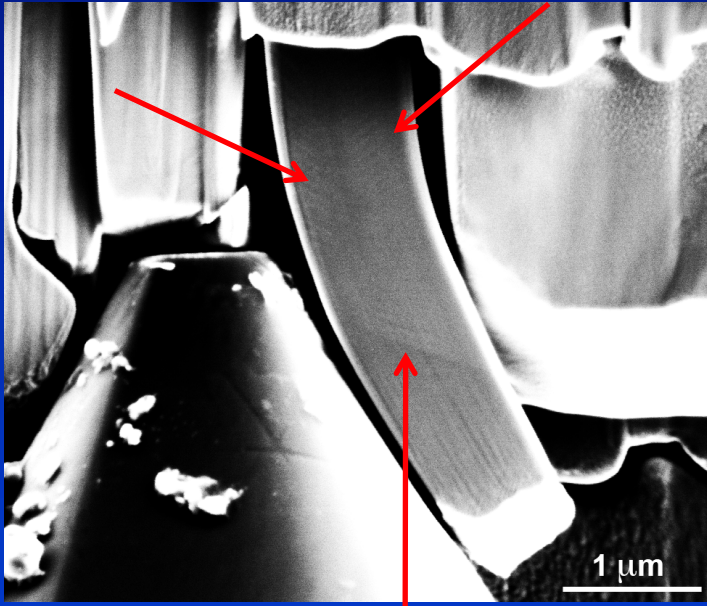
Experiment off-axis

**The stress is applied with
the lateral side of the
diamond indenter**

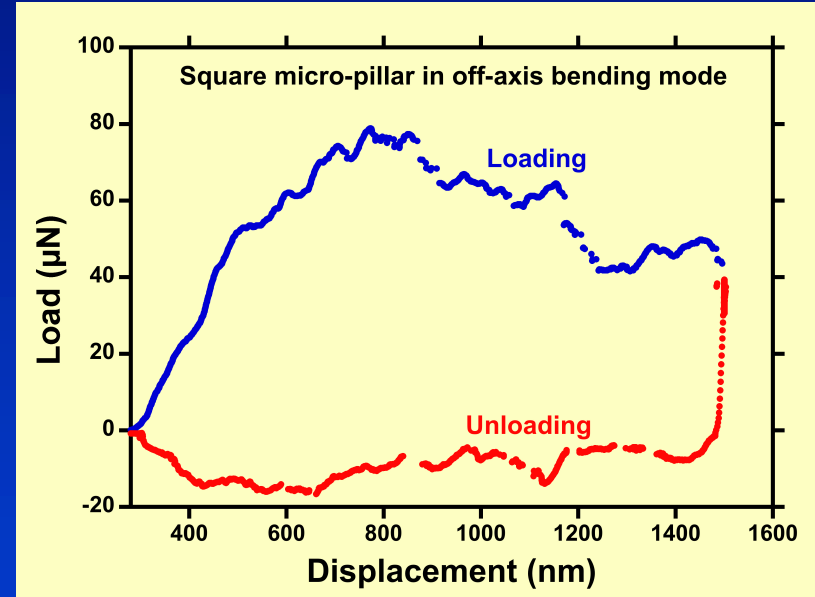
**Video of the
In-situ test**



Damping at Nano-scale: In-situ tests



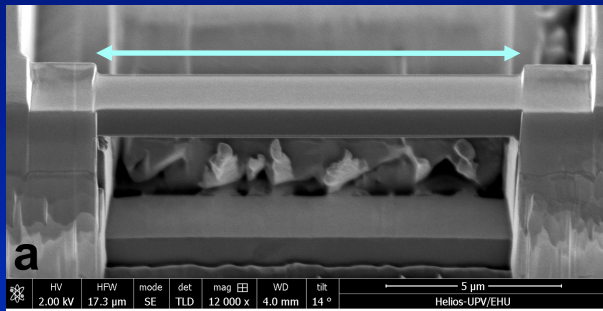
**Stress-induced Martensite
during superelastic bending**



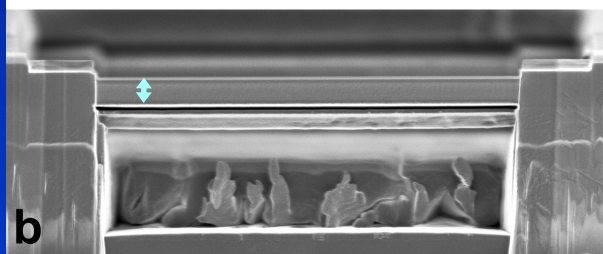
**Apparently, the mechanical
energy is fully dissipated**

Damping at Nano-scale

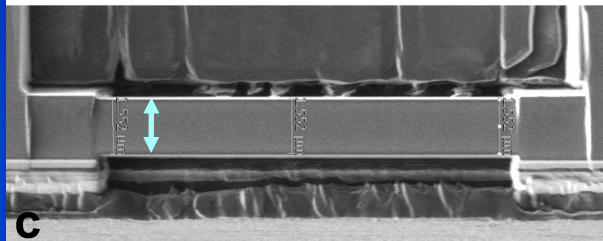
12 μm
long



740 nm
thick



1.5 μm
width

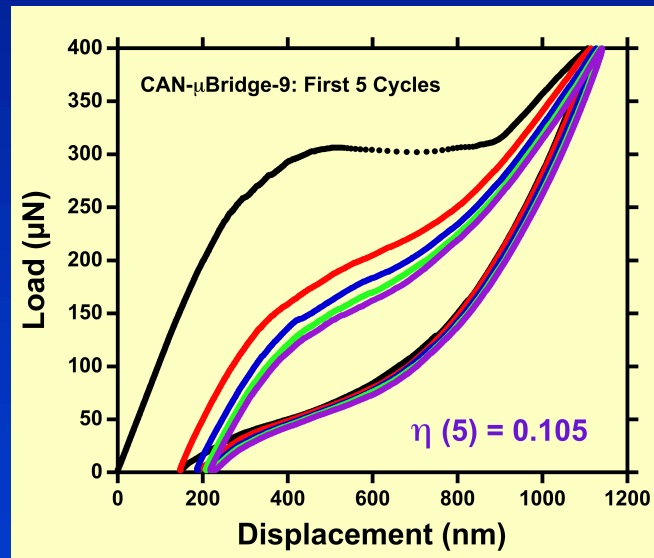


Micro - beam milled by FIB

Cu-Al-Ni

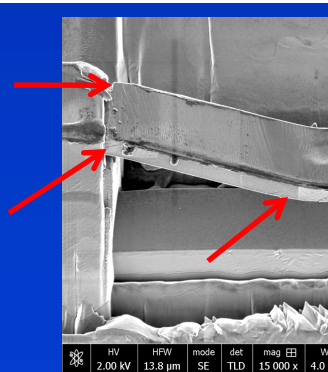
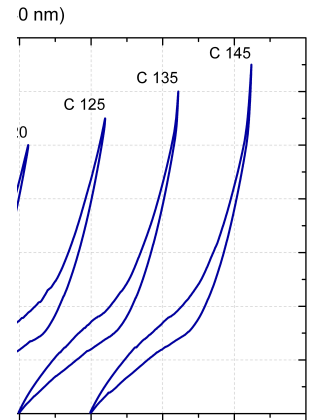
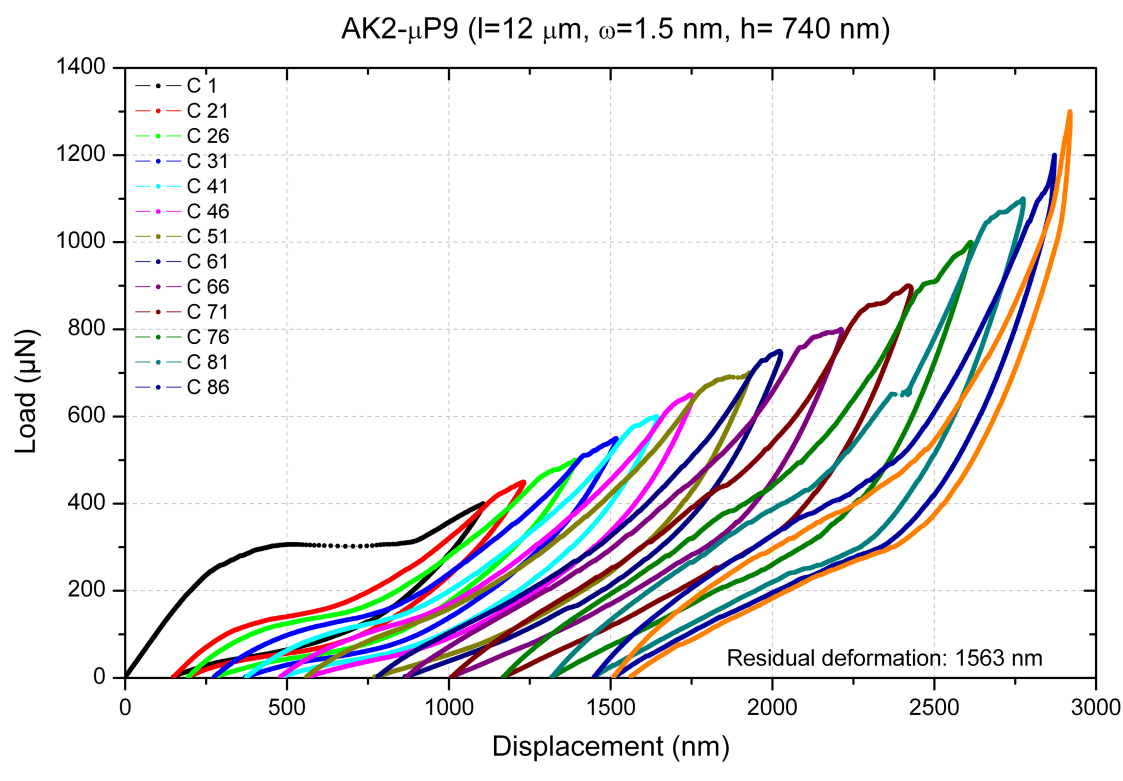
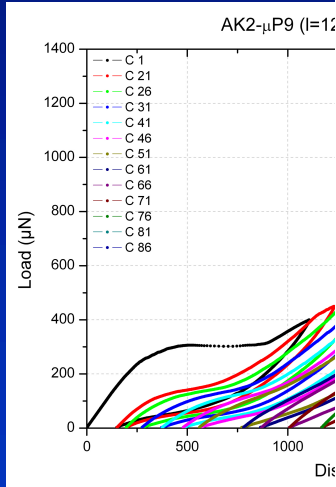
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oriented

Single crystal



High damping in bending

Damping at Nano-scale



Cycling at increasing load

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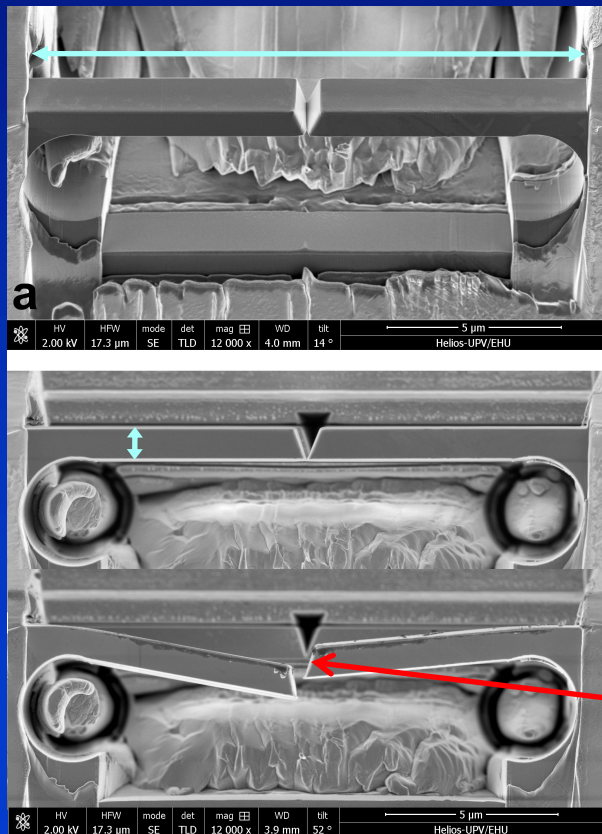
stant strain

Damping at Nano-scale

16 μm
long

820 nm
thick

1.5 μm
width

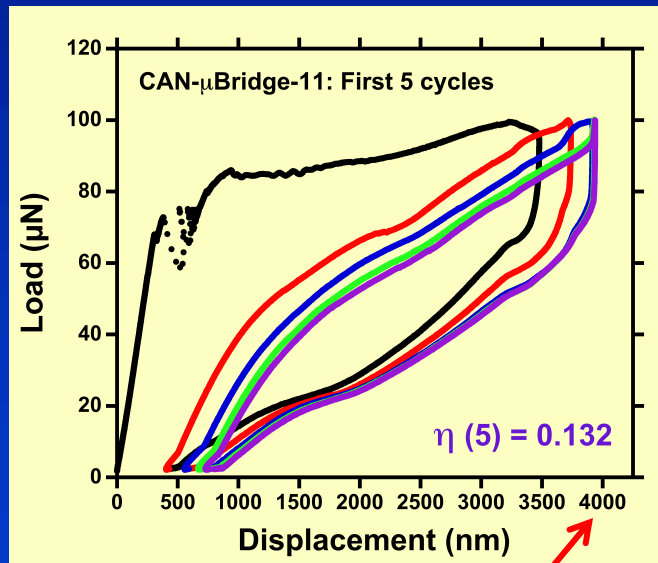


Micro - cantilevers milled by FIB

Cu-Al-Ni

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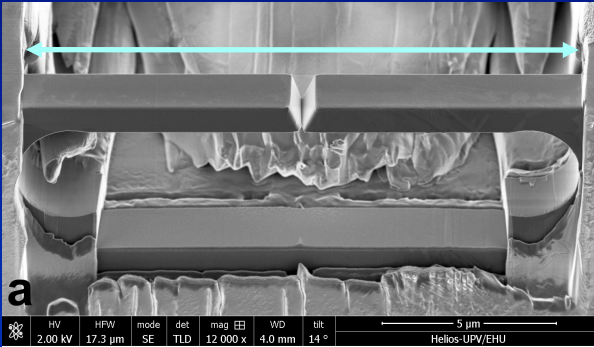
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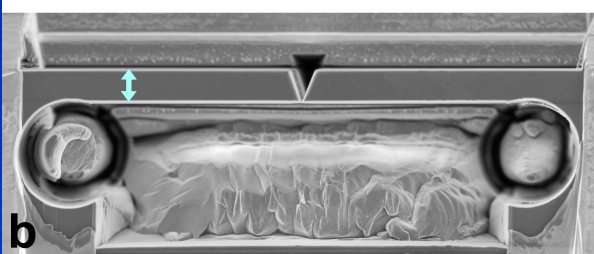
Some plastic deformation for large strains

Damping at Nano-scale

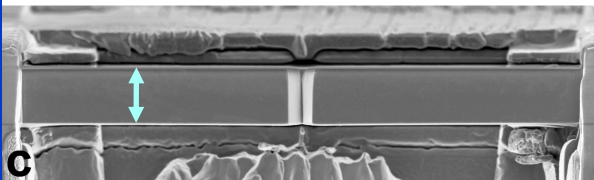
16 μm
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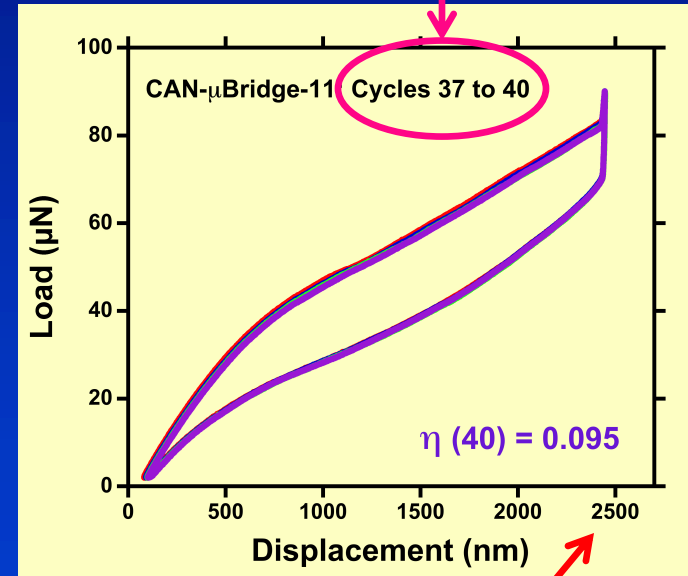


1.5 μm
width



Micro - cantilevers milled by FIB

Good cycling
behavior



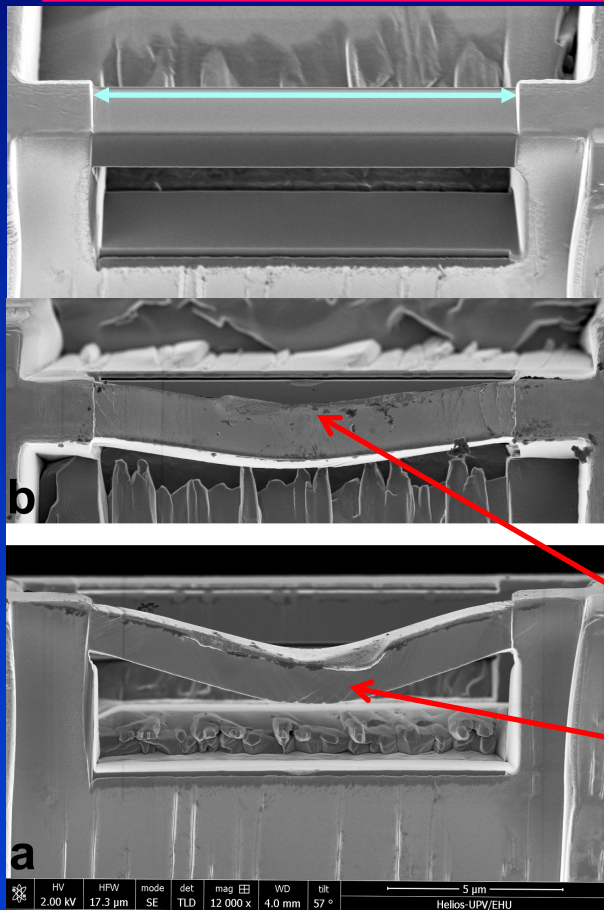
High damping with a large strain

Damping at Nano-scale

12 μm
long

1.2 μm
thick

1.5 μm
width



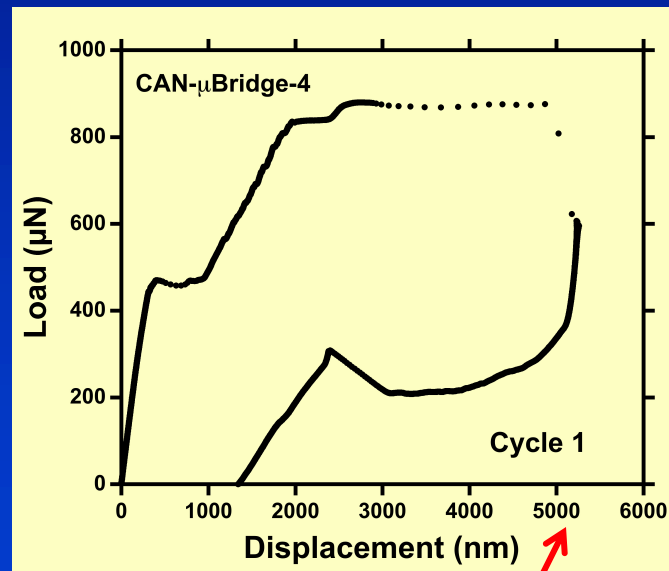
Micro - beam milled by FIB

Tested in bending + torsion

Cu-Al-Ni

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oriented

Single crystal



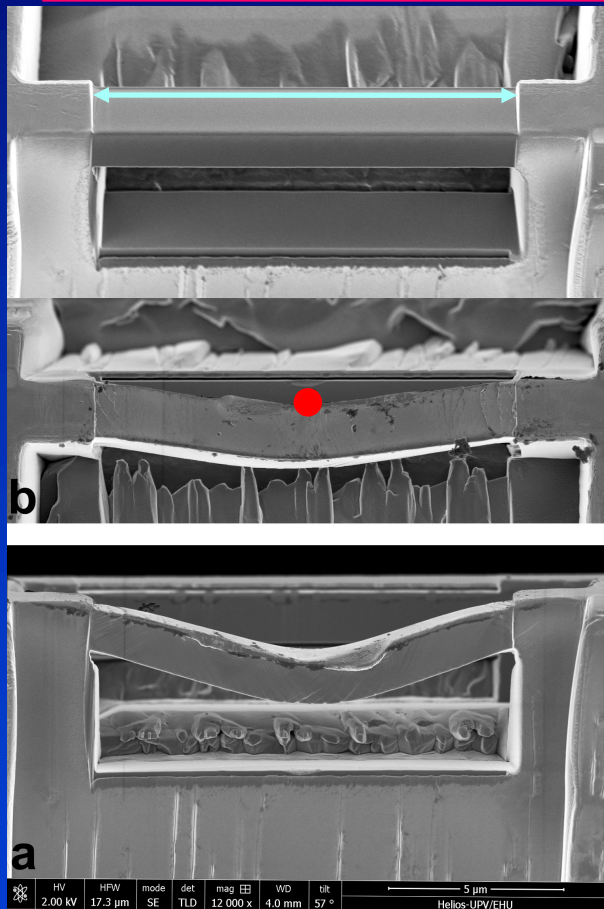
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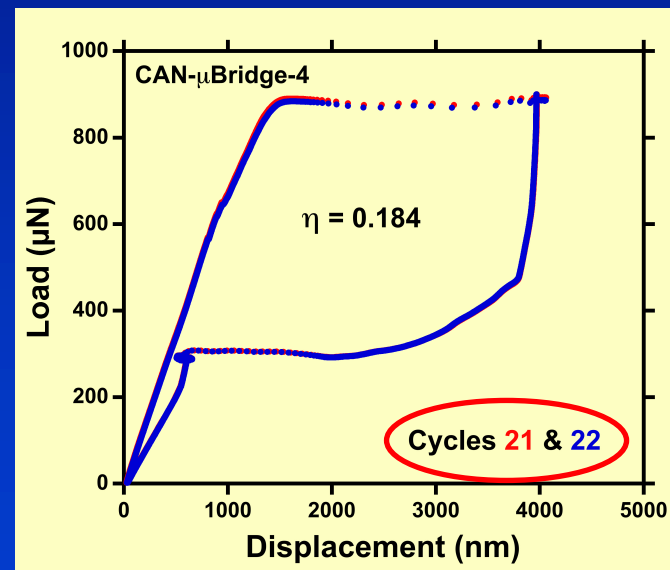
1.5 μm
width



Micro - beam milled by FIB

Tested in bending + torsion

Reproducible
Bending+torsion
cycling



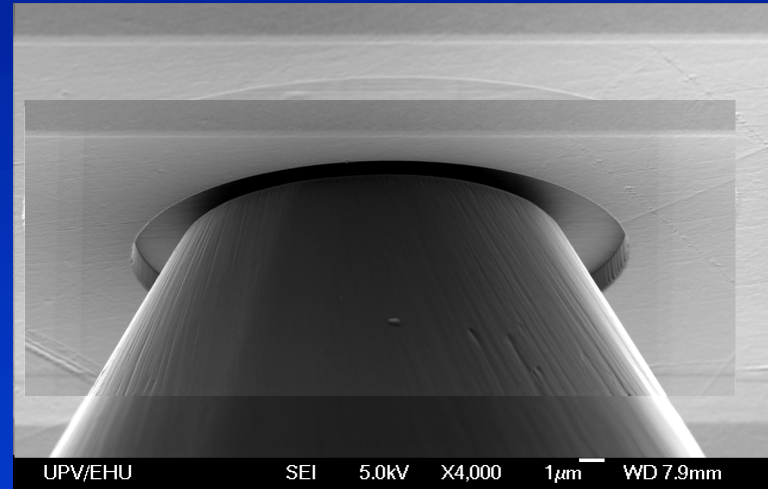
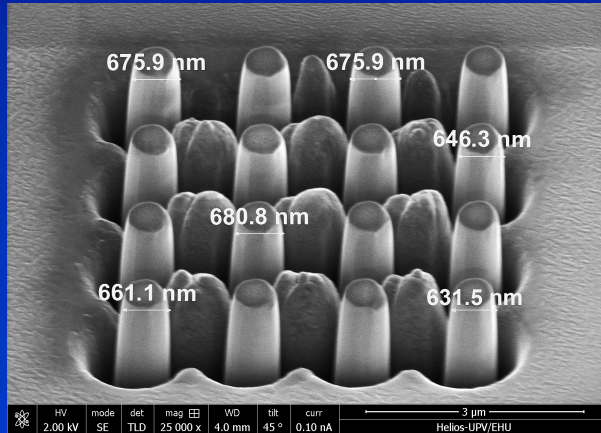
Ultra-high damping at high strains

Then ...

What is the next step ?

Applying Damping at Nano-scale

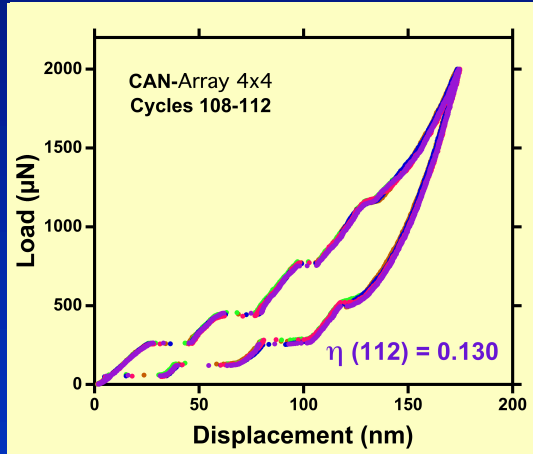
Is damping scalable for applications ?



**Array of 4 x 4 Cu-Al-Ni
pillars of about 660 nm in
diameter**

Testing simultaneously all the array

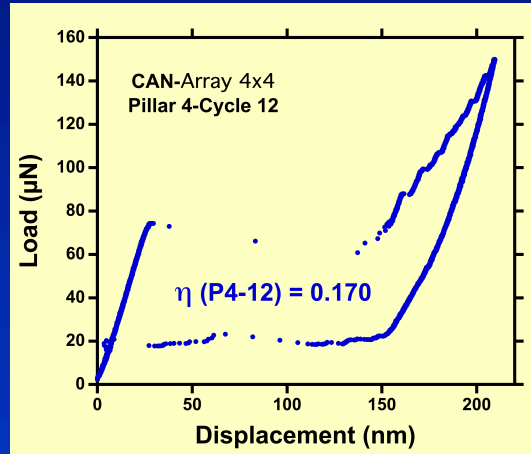
Applying Damping at Nano-scale



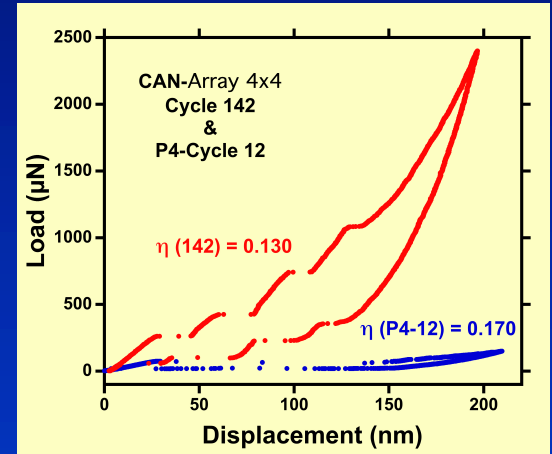
Stars on load due to lack of parallelism



Good reproducibility on cycling



Individual micro pillar

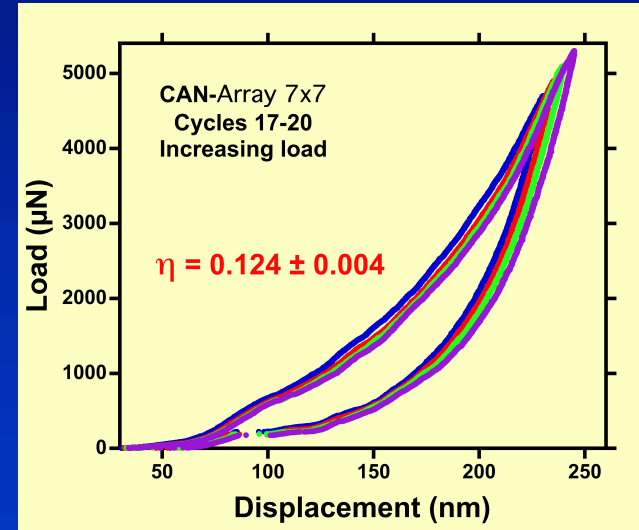
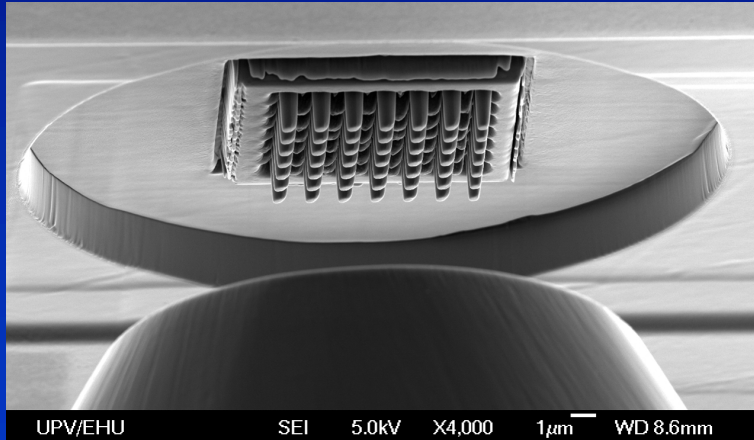


Comparison with the array

Ultra-high damping
when increasing the number of pillars
and consequently the load

Applying Damping at Nano-scale

Array of 7 x 7 nano pillars

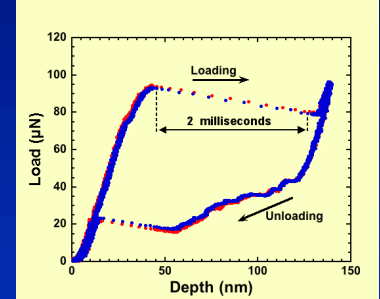
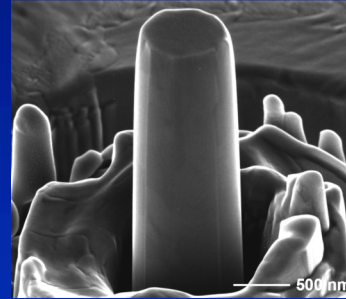


Ultra-high damping
is scalable when increasing the
number of pillars

Conclusions 1st

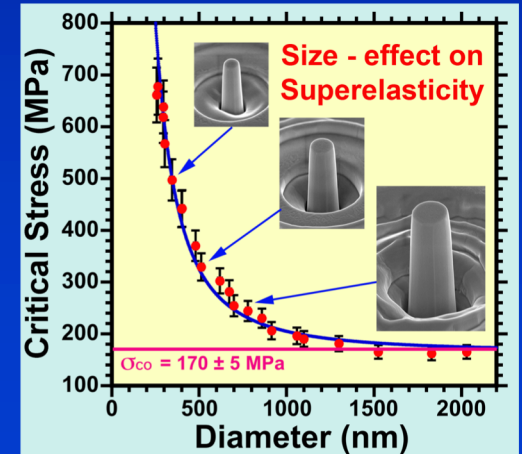
Micro & Nano pillars of Cu-Al-Ni exhibit completely reversible superelastic effect, above 8% even at Nano – Scale.

Superelastic cycling at nano-scale is very fast and perfectly reproducible above.



The Size-Effect on the critical stress is present in both Cu-Al-Ni & Cu-Al-Be SMA, with the same scaling-law.

This scaling-law with $n = -2$ for the critical stress on superelasticity, seems to be an Universal Scaling-Law for all Cu-based SMA.

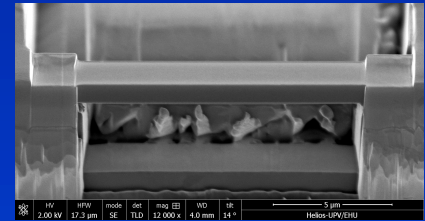
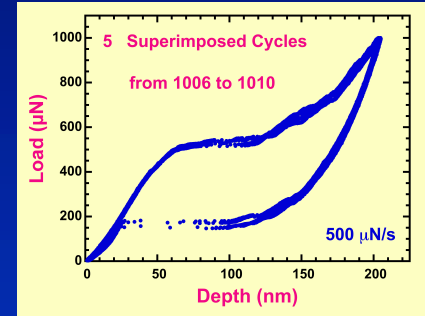


Conclusions 2nd

Three different size-effects have been reported, being responsible for **Ultra-High Damping** at nano-scale, and reproducible above **thousands cycles** and **along years**.

Superelastic bending in micro pillars and micro beams of shape memory alloys, also exhibits **Ultra-High Damping**.

Micro & Nano devices of Cu-Al-Ni SMA exhibit Ultra-High Damping and could offer a **novel solution to protect MEMS**.



The road is paved for applications of
Damping at nano - scale

Thank you

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