

# **Nexans activities and plans on HTS materials**

**High-Performance Bi-2212 Tape and Bulk Conductors for Magnet Technology** 



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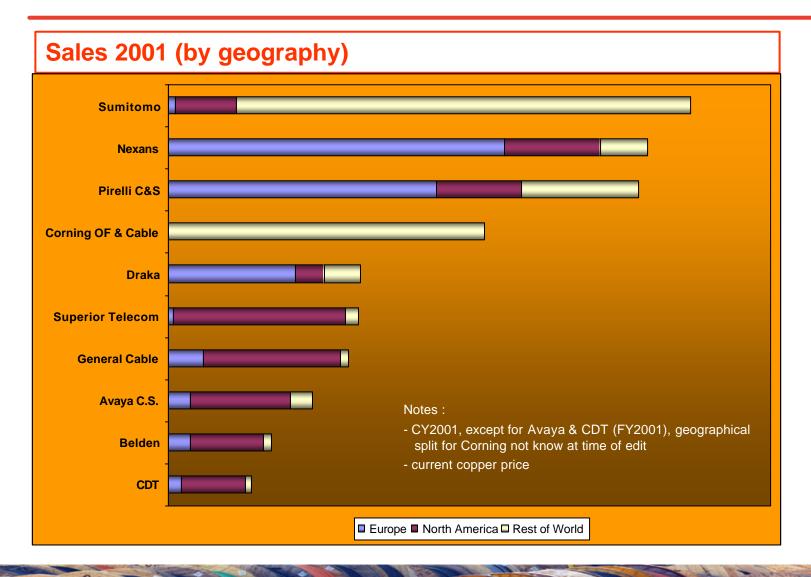




# A major part of Alcatel Cables and Components became Mexans









#### **HTS** activities & sites



#### **Nexans Deutschland Industries**

#### **Knapsack** (Huerth)

Nexans SuperConductors GmbH

- precursor materials
- bulk parts
- fault current limiter elements
- coated conductors

#### Hanover

Production Lines and Technology

- flexible cryostats
- HTS cables

#### **Nexans France**

#### **Jeumont**

Nexans Jeumont

• HTS tapes



**Nexans SuperConductors** 



# Development of components for HTS cable systems at Nexans (1)

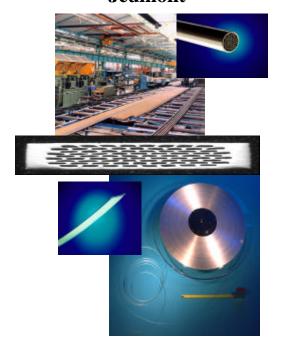
#### Nexans is fully integrated for manufacturing of HTS power cables

#### Nexans SuperConductors Knapsack



Development and manufacturing of Bi-precursor materials

Nexans Cable Jeumont



Development (Bi-2223) and manufacturing (Bi-2212) of HTS-tapes

Nexans SuperConductors Knapsack



Development and manufacturing of coated conductor Y-123 tapes



**Nexans SuperConductors** 



# Development of components for HTS cable systems at Nexans (2)

#### Nexans is fully integrated for manufacturing of HTS power cables

Nexans Deutschland Industries Hanover



Development and manufacturing of cryo sleeves and power cables

Nexans SuperConductors Knapsack



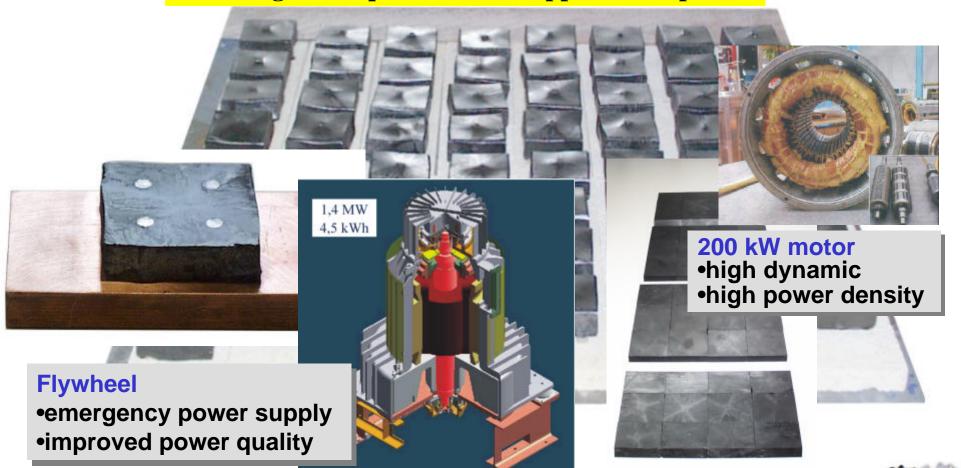
Development and manufacturing of FCL components





# Batch production of single domain YBCO at NSC

- record batch size 64 samples (40 ´ 40 ´ 14 mm³)
- bonding technique YBCO Copper developed





# Three sucess stories from Bi-2212 (1)

HTS current leads with bulk
 Bi-2212 rods and tubes



Bi-2212 precursors and tape conductors



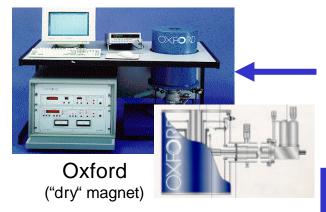






# **Todays Use of HTS Bulk Materials (1)**

#### Nexans Current Leads enabled first application of HTS in electrical engineering



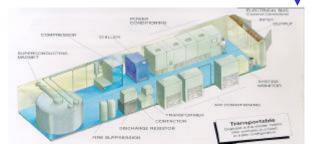




ACCE

Bi-2212 for commercial use in current leads since 1995

ACCEL (SMES-system)



IGC (SMES-system)



General Atomics (Current Controller)





Fuji Electric (SMES-system)





# Todays Use of HTS Bulk Materials (2)

# ACCEL and Nexans have successfully built 13 kA leads for CERN's Large Haldron Collider (LHC) Project



#### **Benefits of current leads with Nexans form parts:**

Lower operating cost, through

- reduced investment for refrigeration, and
- lower power consumption (estimated savings 4MW/y = 1,20M\$/y)



**Tubes from Nexans SC** 

**ACCEL** 





# Todays Use of HTS Bulk Materials (3)

## MCP BSCCO-2212 tubes successfully tested up to 20 kA DC



#### **Application case:**

Fusion project in China

#### Applied:

MCP BSCCO-2212 tubes (80 mm outer diameter)

#### Test status:

- @ 77 K up to 13 kA (1µV/cm, sf)
- @ 70 K up to 20 kA (1μV/cm, sf)

Expected current carrying capacity

@ 70 K: **24 kA!** 





# Three success stories from Bi-2212 (2)

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Bi-2212 precursors and tape conductor

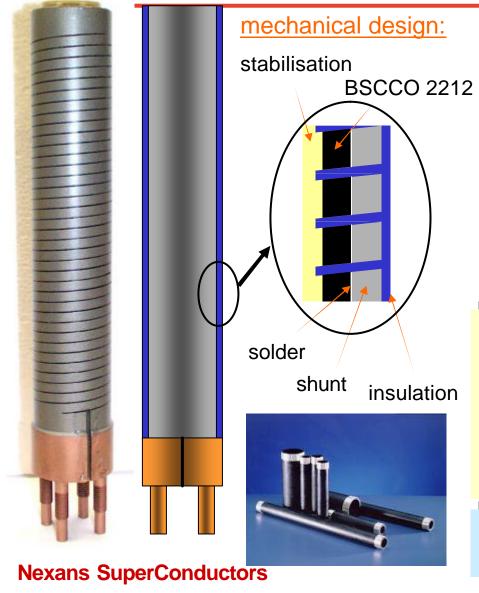








# **German BMBF project CURL10 (1)**





#### main data of the bifilar component:

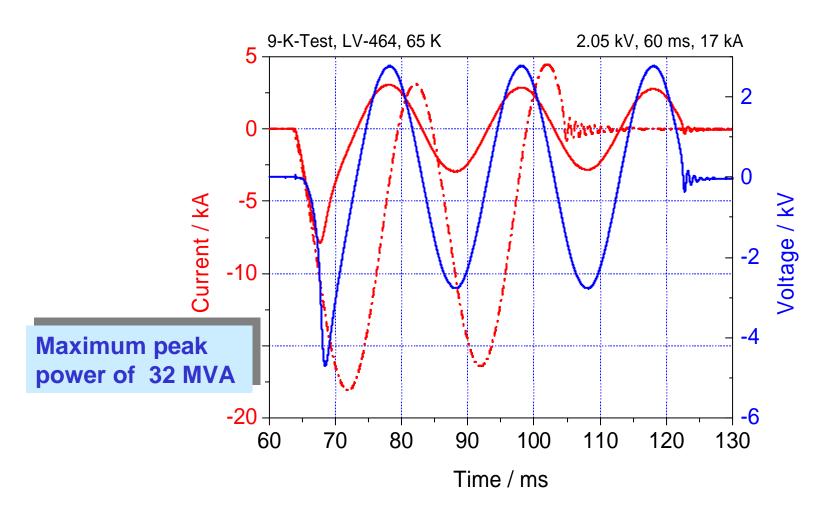
outer diameter: 58 mm
superconductor - length: 5.4 m
superconductor - tube: 300 mm
superconductor - cross section: 0.24 cm²
crit. current (65K): 850 A
protected power (65K): >130 kVA

Most powerful HTS element for resistive SCFCL!





### Prospective peak short circuit current of 17 kA







# **German BMBF project CURL10 (2)**



Tests – 10 MVA test

Complete system and insert

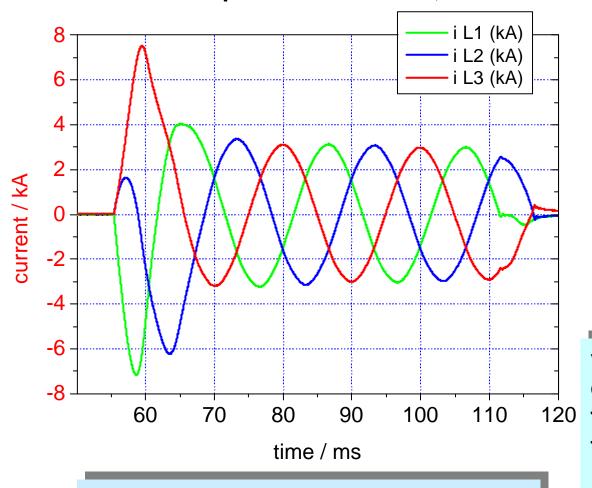






## German BMBF project CURL10 (3)

#### Full 3-phase test 10 MVA, 10 kV



voltage:  $10 \text{ kV}_{\text{RMS}}$  current:  $600 \text{ A}_{\text{RMS}}$ 

120 **fault limitation:** 60 ms **temperature:** 66K

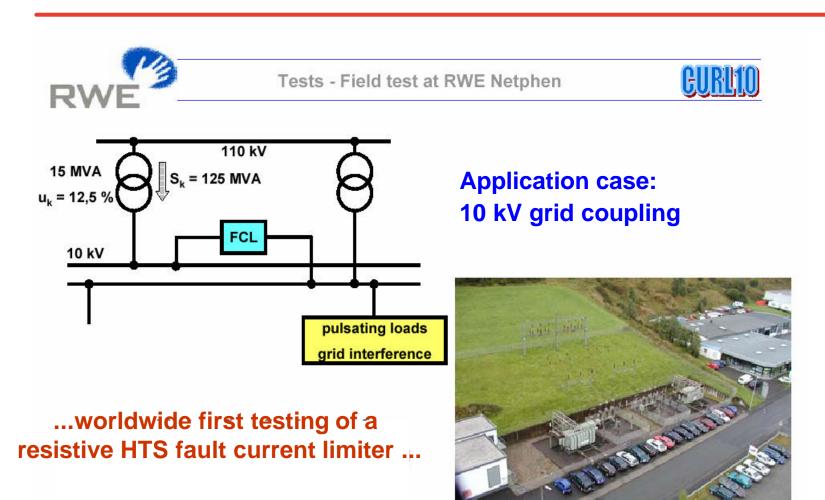
E-field: 0,6 V/cm

Safe handling of 3 phase fault current!





# **German BMBF project CURL10 (4)**







## **US/ DOE SPI Project**

# Matrix Fault Current Limiter (MFCL) Project

SuperPower • U.S. Department of Energy • EPRI

#### **Program Specifications:**

- \$12.2M total cost
- Three-phase, 138 kV transmission-level
- Fabricated from bulk BSCCO 2212 superconductors

#### Milestones:

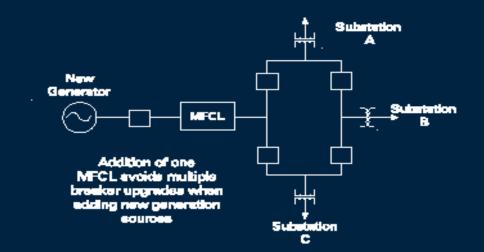
- Four-year program
- 2005: Single-phase, Alpha prototype
- · 2006: Three-phase Beta prototype

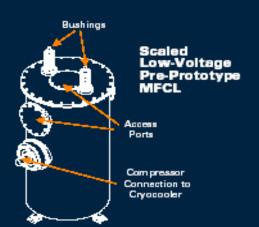
#### Modular and scaleable 2004: Single-phase scaled pre-prototype Transparent during normal operation Passive

- Reliable
- Low cost
- Environmentally benign

HTS MFCL Benefits:

Provides fast response to fault currents











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Bi-2212 precursors and tape conductor







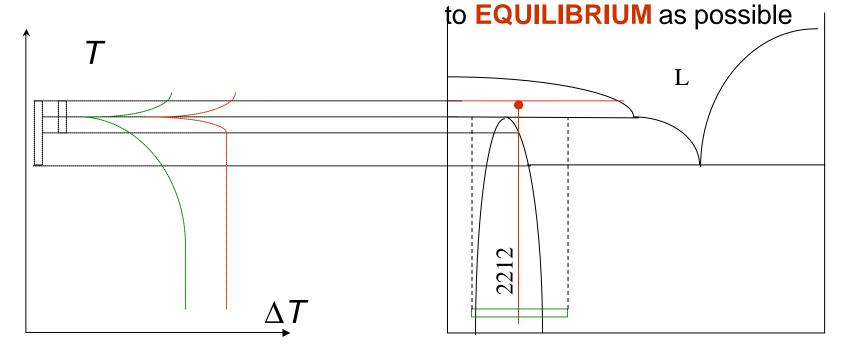


## New concept developed for partial melting of Bi-2212 conductors

PHASE SEPARATION during the melting step strongly depends on precursor characteristics

Minimize PHASE SEPARATION by

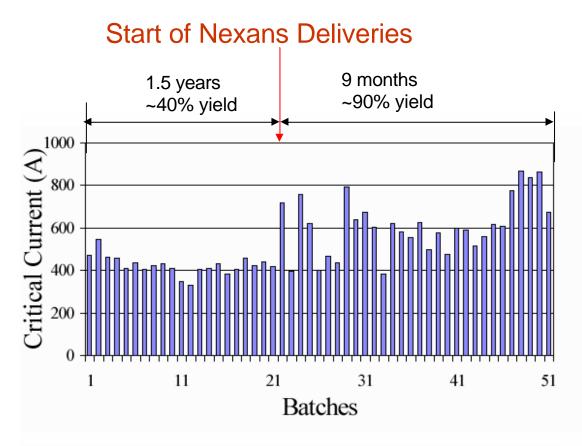
- choosing proper composition;
- making precursor as close







# The performance of Nexans Bi-2212 precursor at OST (1)



**FIGURE 1.** Chronological I<sub>c</sub> (4.2 K, 0 T) values obtained in batches of 19 filament tapes recently fabricated for 5 T insert

## 19 filament PIT tapes



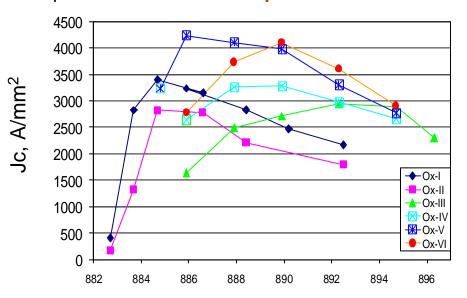
**FIGURE 2.** The 5 tesla insert magnet which achieved 25 T central field.



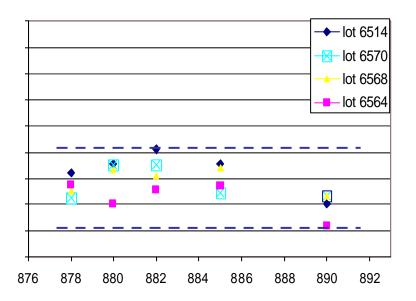


## **Evaluation of DIP-coated tapes**

Optimization of Nexans "Equilibrium" Powder Lots



#### Evaluation for **non-Equilibrium** Powder Lots



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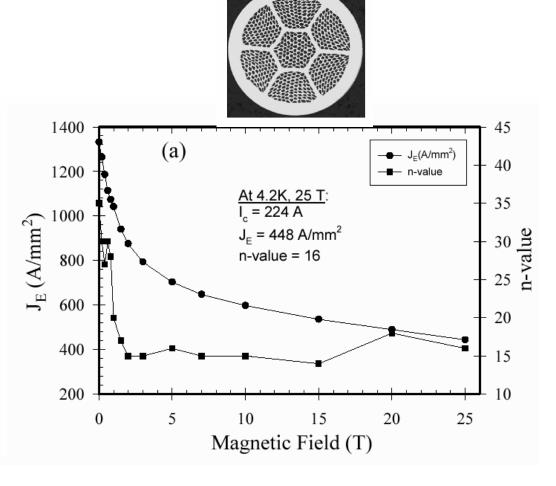


# The performance of Nexans Bi-2212 precursor at OST (3)

# Magnetic field dependence of OST round wire

Significant improvement is anticipated from optimizing

- conductor design
- overall composition
- preannealing, melting and solidification steps of heat treatment

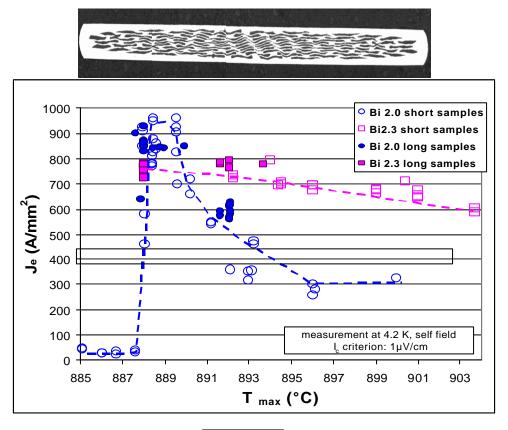






# Performance of Bi-2212 conductors Nexans, September 2003

## Optimization of Je for 85-filamentary tape, 10 m length



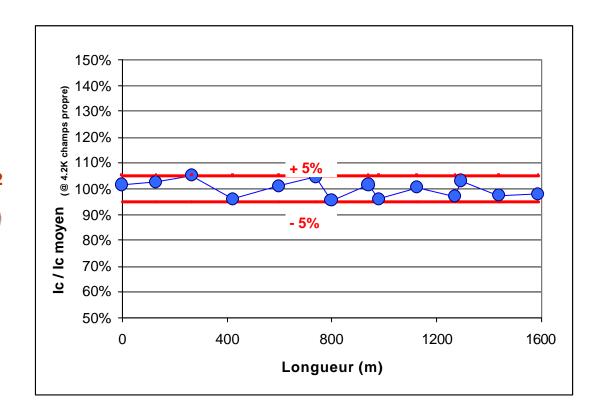
= previous level attainable with nonequilibrium precursor and another HT





## Performance of 2212 conductors Nexans, December 2003

Maximum  $J_e = 1180 \text{ A/mm}^2$  (4.2K, self field)





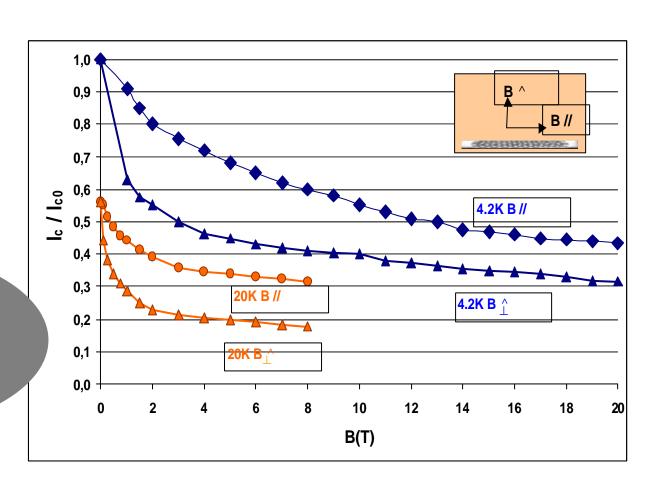




 $J_{\rm e}$  = 1180 A/mm<sup>2</sup> 4.2K, self field

J<sub>e</sub>>500 A/mm<sup>2</sup> 4.2K, 20T//

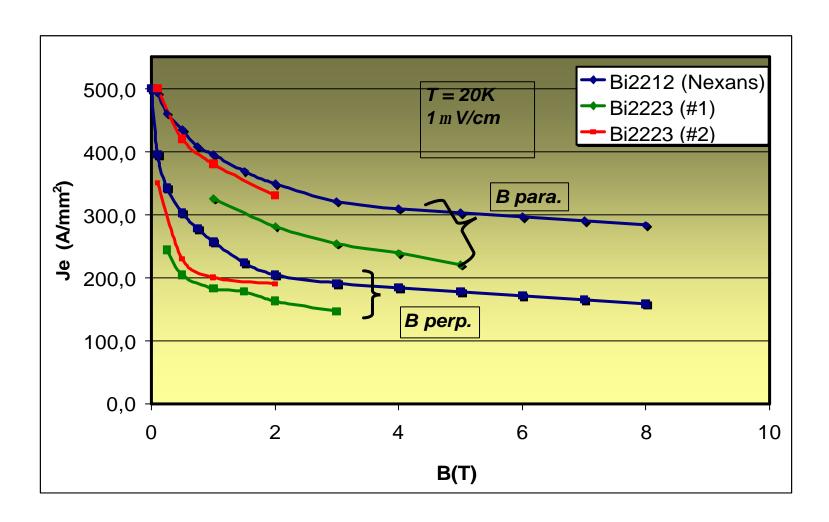
 $J_{\rm e}$  > 300 A/mm<sup>2</sup> 20K, 5T//







# Performance at 20 K Comparison with Bi-2223 tape







- With Bi-2212 tubes used in current leads up to 20 kA (70 K, self field) were achieved
- Worlds first resistive fault current limiter (10 MVA/ 10 kV) is based on Bi-2212 bifilar coils and goes now on line
- Nexans Bi-2212 equilibrium precursor used for new record insert coils with 25 T inner magnet field
- Current Status of Bi-2212 Tape Performance at Nexans
  - ◆ J<sub>e</sub>(4.2K, self field) ~ 1200 A/mm<sup>2</sup>
  - ♦ J<sub>a</sub> (20 K, 5T//) ~ 300 A/mm<sup>2</sup>
  - ♦ in 1500 m length

