



# Development of cabling techniques for $\text{Nb}_3\text{Sn}$ and Bi-2212 wires

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# Presentation Outline

- Review of NbTi cabling parameters
- Modifications of cabling parameters for Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn
- Modifications of cabling parameters for Bi-2212
- Cabling techniques for special cables (mixed strands, cores, large keystone angles)



# Design process for superconducting cables

- Select magnet design parameters
- Select cable parameters to meet magnet design requirements
- Iterate cable parameters to reduce  $I_c$  degradation and improve coil winding behavior



# Cable parameter spreadsheet

## Input:

1. Strand diameter
2. Number of strands
3. Pitch angle
4. Minimum cable width

## Calculate:

1. Allowed keystone angle
2. Cable compaction at middle, thick edge, and thin edge for various cable thicknesses

INPUT A										Minimum Mandrel Width = 4.2015	
No. of Strands =	10	Cable Width =	5.2015								
Strand DIA. =	1	Cable MID Thk. =	2								
Pitch Angle =	16										
CALC Compacted Cable RESET		Pitch length =	36.2796								
		Density =	0.7854	or	PI / 4						
Module: [B]		COMPACTED CABLE									
INPUT B											
Cable Width =	0			MIN.	MID	MAJ.					NEEW's formula
Cable Mid Thk. =	0									Mid Packing Factor	
Keystone angle. =	0	Cable Thickness =	0	0	0					#DIV/0!	
Pitch length =	0	Density =	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!						
		Pitch Angle =	#DIV/0!								
										Print Area	
Title:	Paste A	Paste B	Paste C	Paste D	Paste E	Paste F	Paste G	Paste H	Paste I	Paste J	
Iteration #											
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Strand DIA. =											
Pitch Angle =											
Cable Width =											
Cable MID Thk. =											
Pitch length =											
Density =											
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Cable Width =											
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Keystone angle. =											
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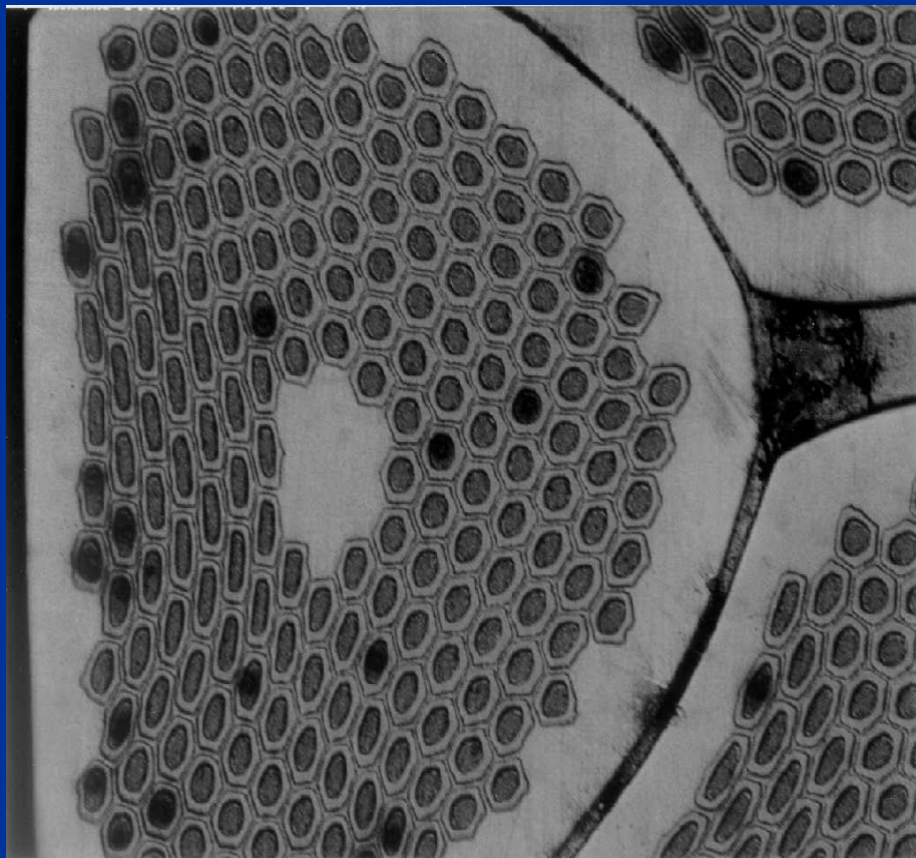


## Parameters modified for Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn include:

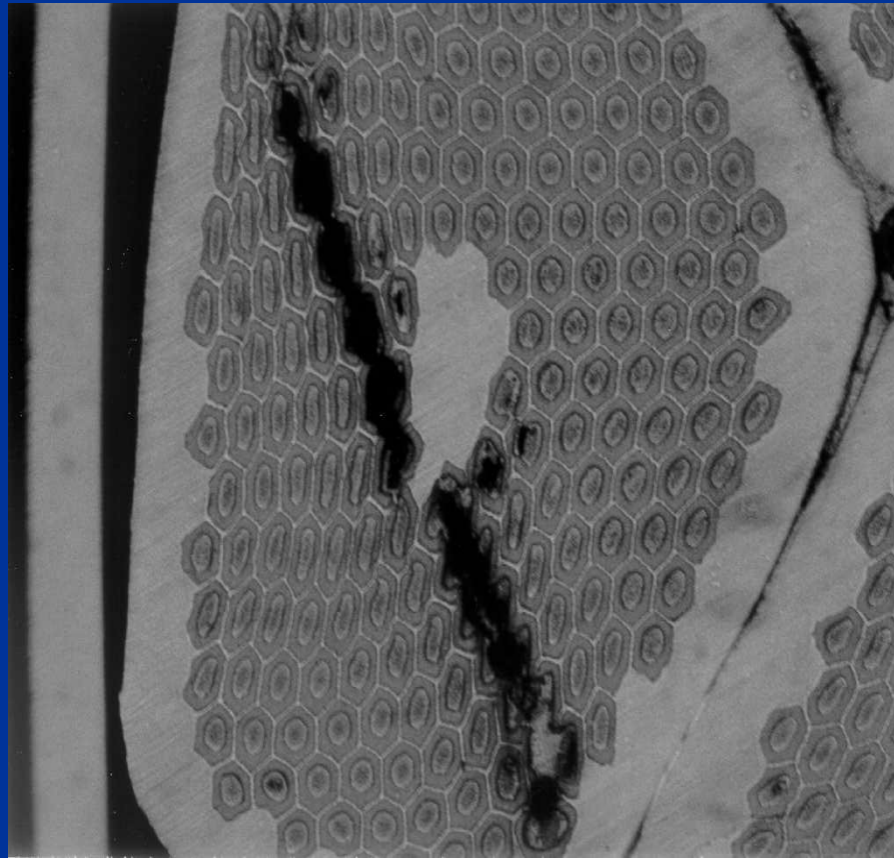
- Cable width--minimum width increased after subelement shearing was observed using NbTi cable parameters
- Cable compaction--reduced to minimum acceptable for coil winding
- Lubrication is changed depending on whether cable is to be used in wind/react or react/wind magnet



# PIT Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn strands at edge of Rutherford cable



*Moderately compacted*



*Highly compacted*

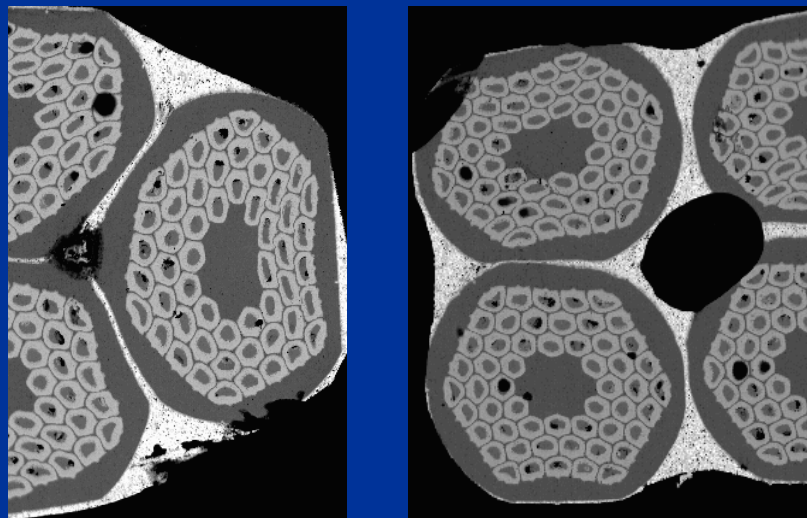
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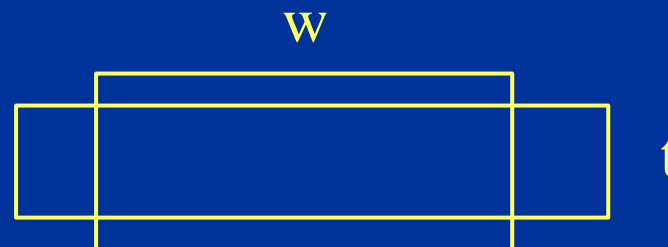
# Cable Compaction

Decouple thickness & width



0.8 mm strand diameter  
40 Strands  
Area = 20.11 mm<sup>2</sup>  
87 % Compaction

Problem with Area Compaction



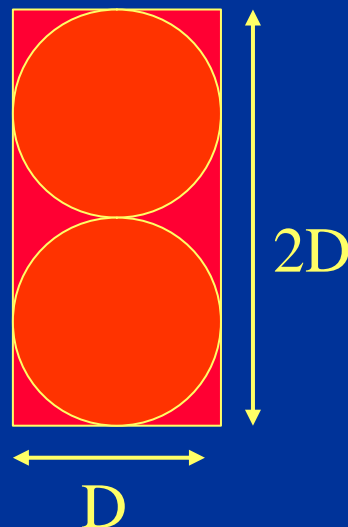
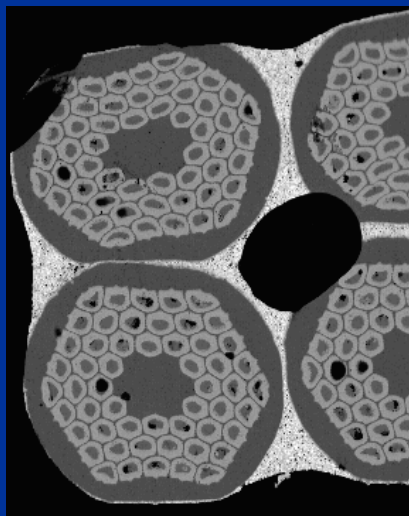
2 Cables: Same compaction

$$16.4 \text{ mm} \times 1.400 \text{ mm} = 22.96 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$16.0 \text{ mm} \times 1.435 \text{ mm} = 22.96 \text{ mm}^2$$

0.4mm half a  
strand diameter

# Cable Compaction-1



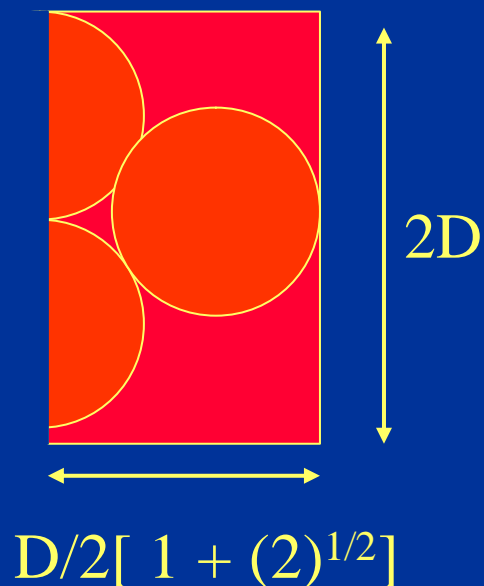
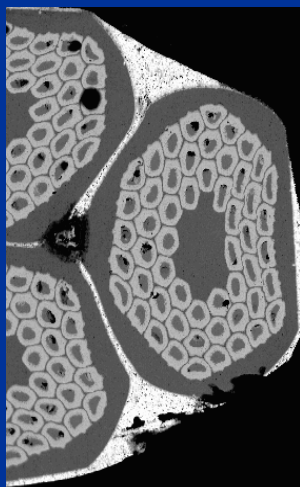
$$\frac{2(\pi D^2)}{4} = \text{Area of 2 wires}$$

$$t \times D = \text{Area of box after cabling}$$

$$\frac{t}{2D} = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad 0.785$$



## Edge Compaction-2

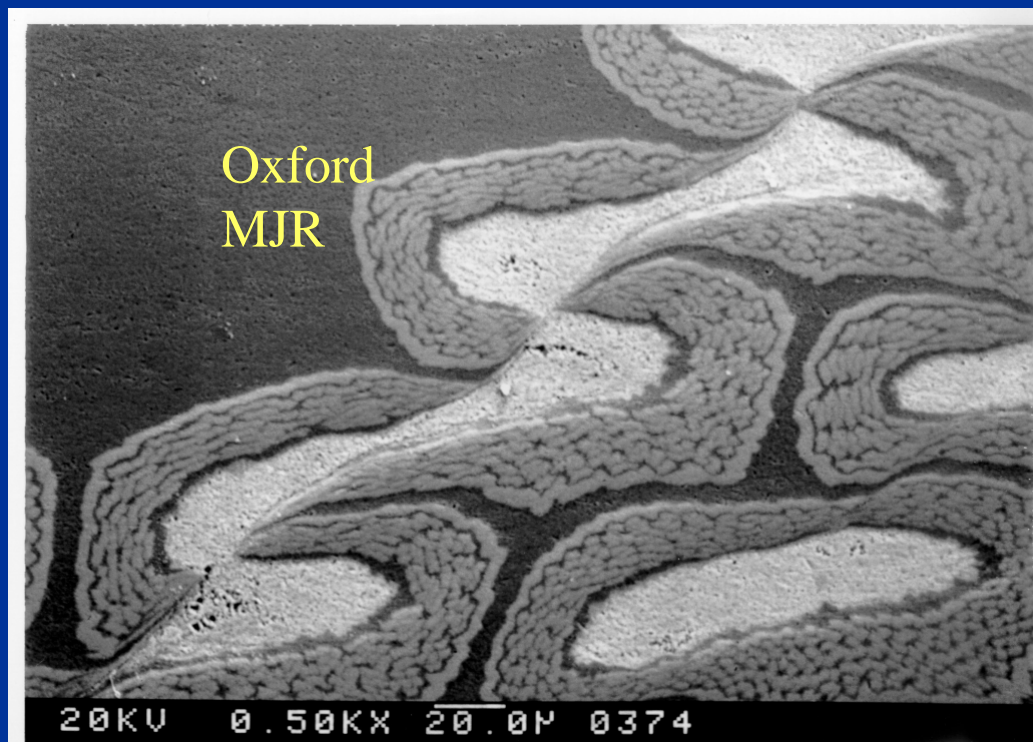


- More void space near edge of cable (0.65 filling factor)
- Must balance thickness reduction and width reduction

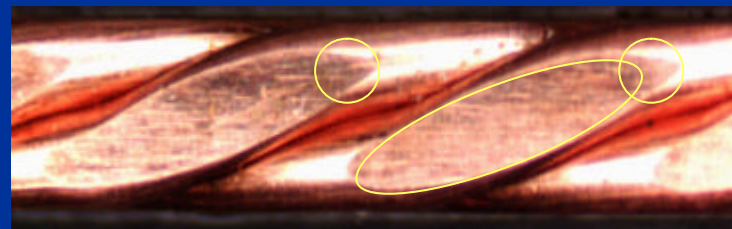
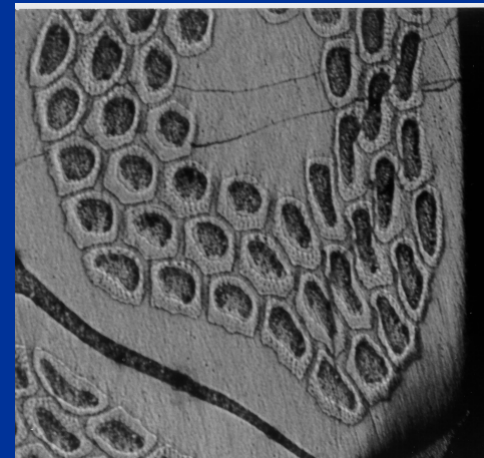
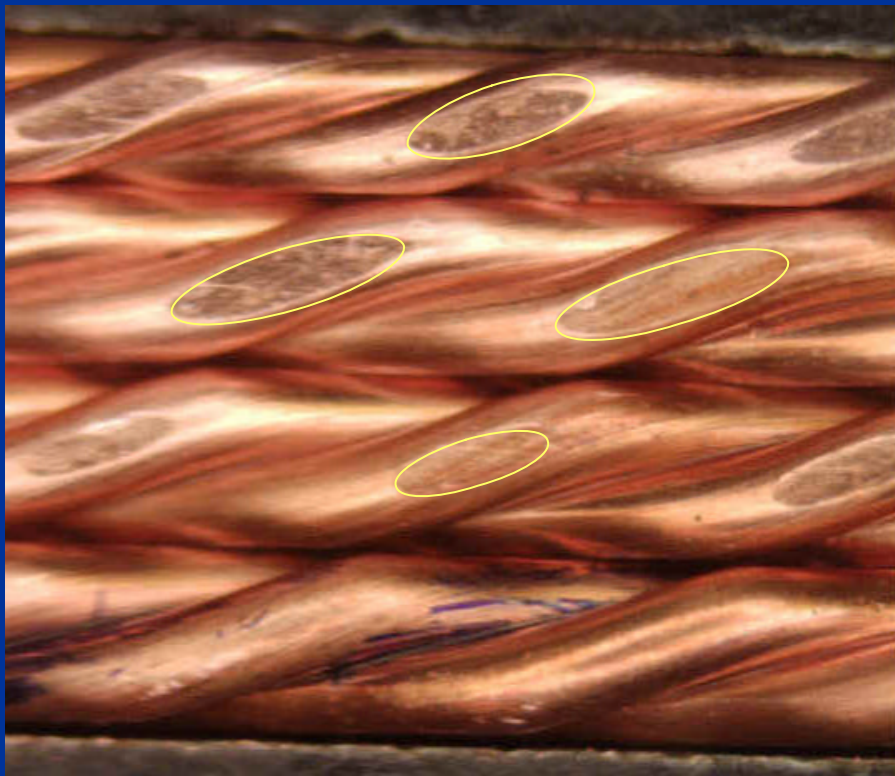
Note: effect of friction between rolls and strands is not in model

# Can we quantify cable degradation?

- Polished cross-section of cable: sheared subelements



# Cable quality control

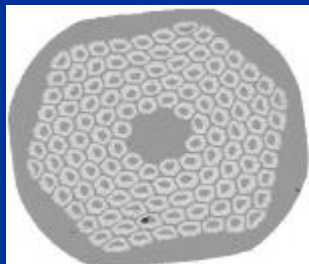


- **Area of edge facets is a measure of strand deformation**
- **Use CERN optical imaging equipment to monitor facets**

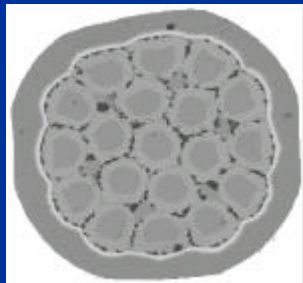


# Cables for D-20, RD-3, and HD-1

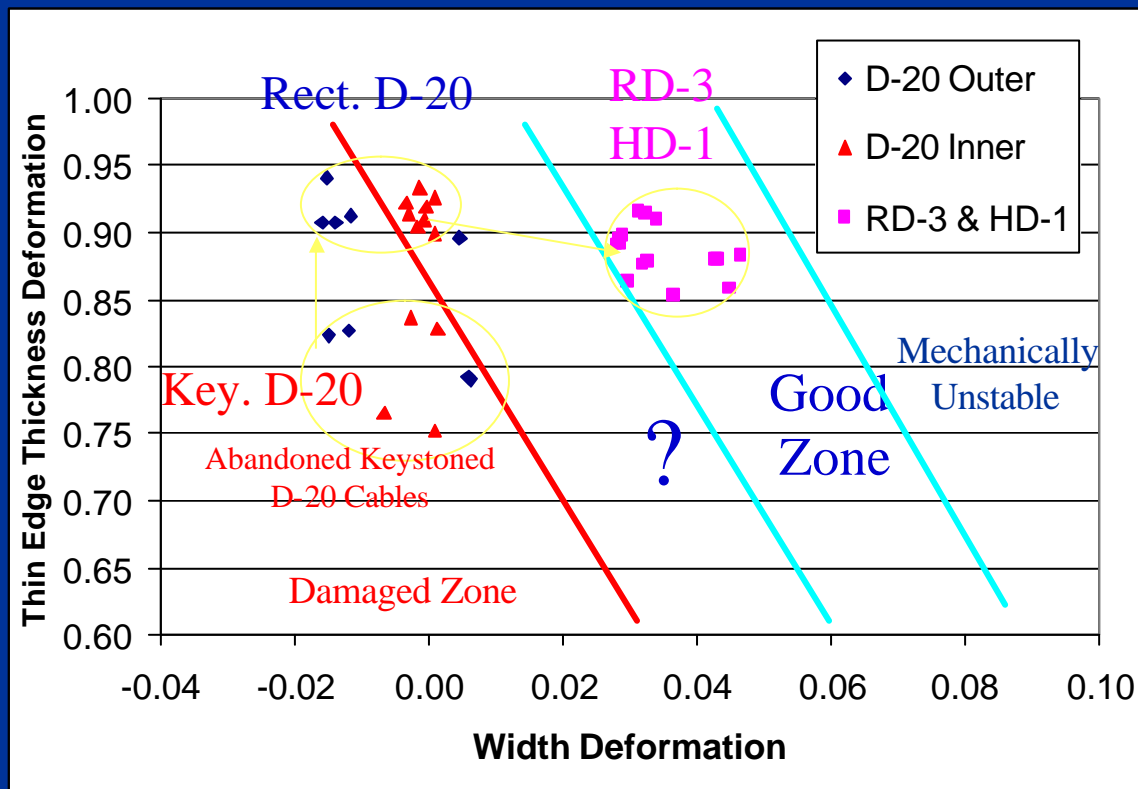
## D-20



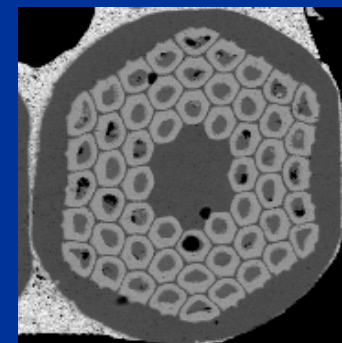
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MJR-TWCA



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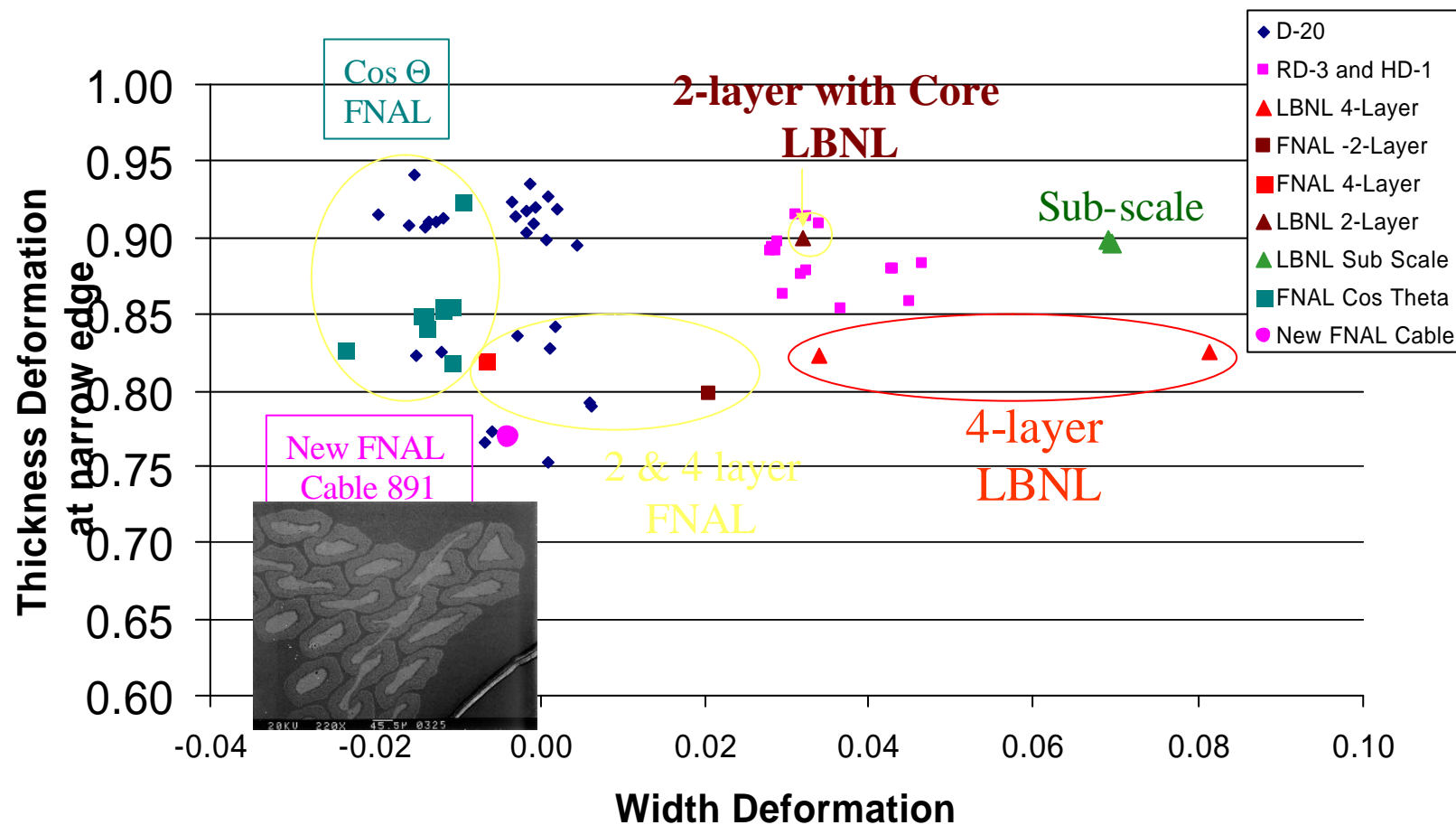


## RD-3



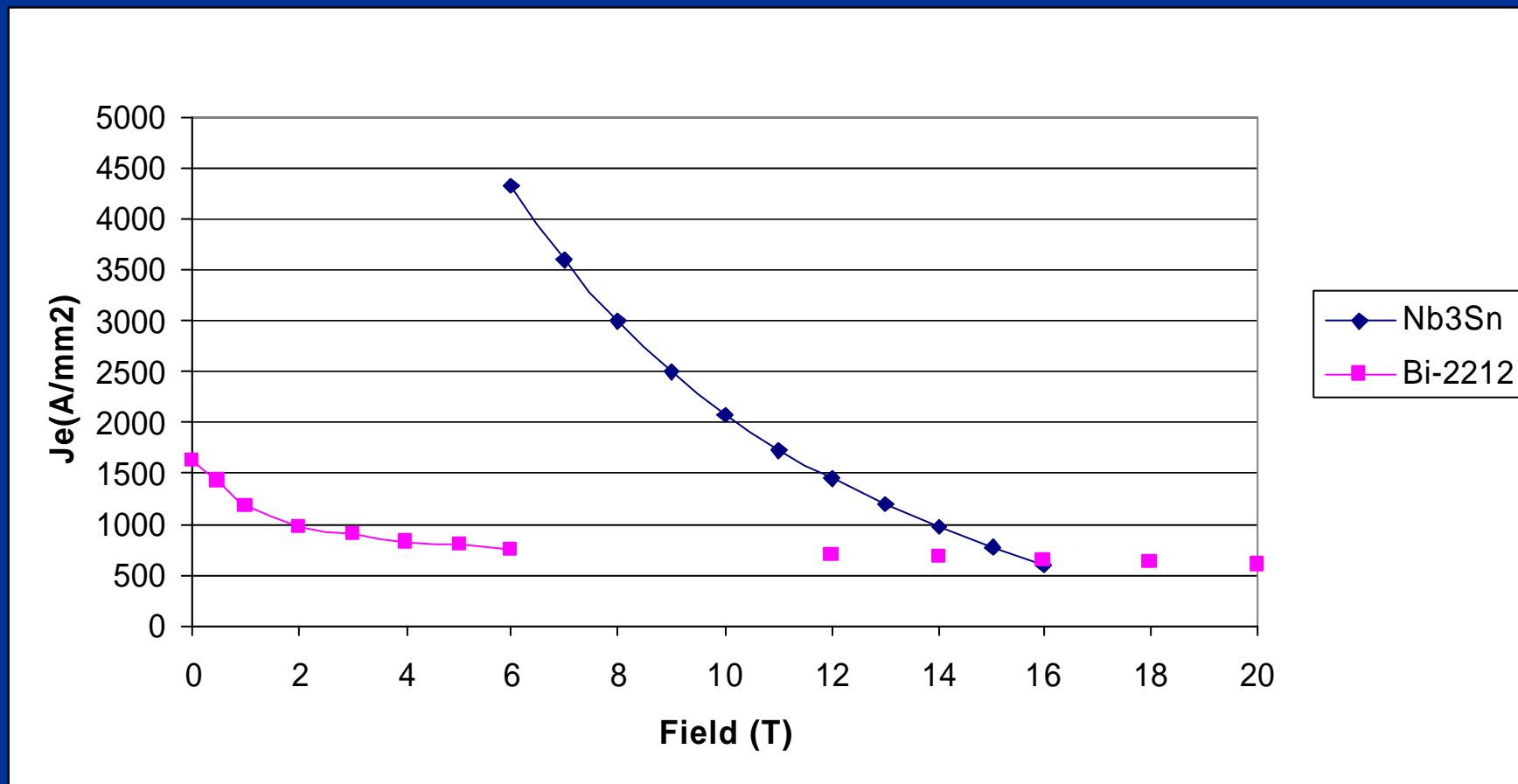
LBL Cable # 805R  
Oxford-ORe

# Fully Keystoned Cables for LARP





# Comparison of $J_c$ for $Nb_3Sn$ and Bi-2212

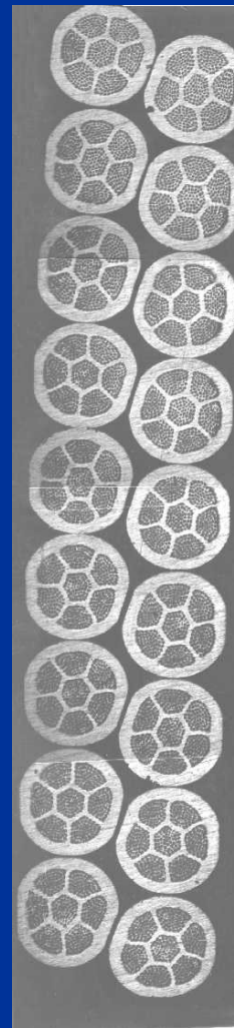






## Bi-2212 round wire shows promise for accelerator magnets

- $J_c(12\text{T}, 4.2\text{K}, \text{non-silver}) > 2000 \text{ A/mm}^2$  in new material (Showa, OST)
- Long lengths ( $> 1500 \text{ m}$ ) are being produced
- New result: 30 strand cable;  $I_c = 6.8 \text{ kA}$  at  $6 \text{ T}$
- Over 1000 m of 30 strand cable produced in 2003-2004



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## Bi-2212 R&D goals for 2003-2004 (Work for others contract with Showa)

- Reduce  $I_c$  degradation for 30 strand x 0.8 mm wire diam. cables
- Evaluate cabling properties of wires with different Ag alloy compositions
- Demonstrate long length fabrication (>300 m)
- Status:

Long length fabrication established

Methods for improving wire quality identified

$I_c$  degradation reduced to 10-15 % range

Showa goal is to demonstrate long length cable performance to Chubu Electric for their proposed SMES project



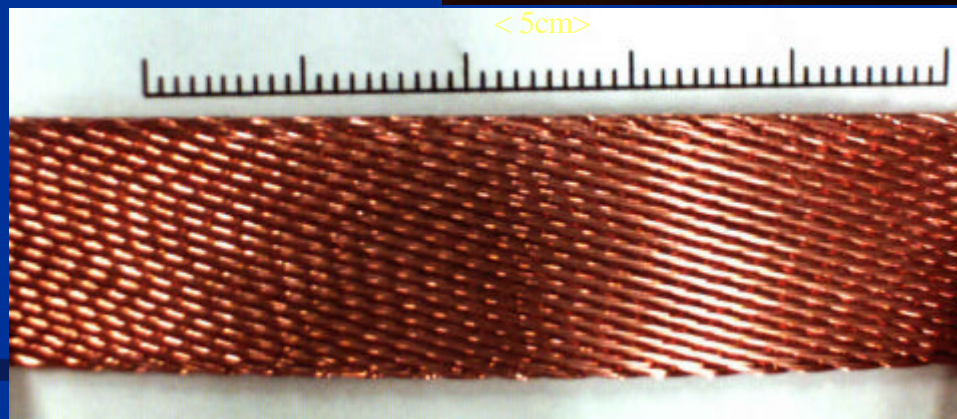
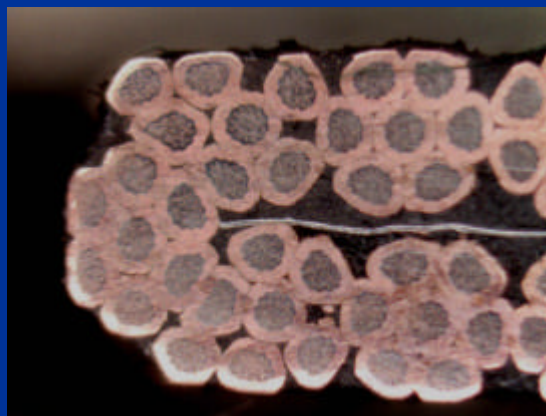
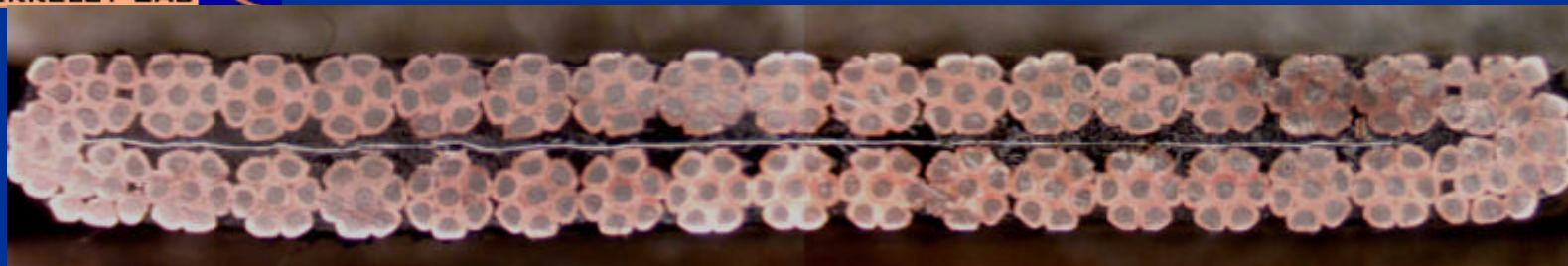


## Mutual benefits from Showa/LBNL/BNL collaboration include:

- Cabling expertise (LBNL) and  $I_c$  testing (BNL)
- Wire for cabling R&D at LBNL (30,000 m of wire delivered in 2003-2004)
- Cable for react and wind magnets at BNL
- Cable and coil reaction (Showa) for wind and react magnets at LBNL



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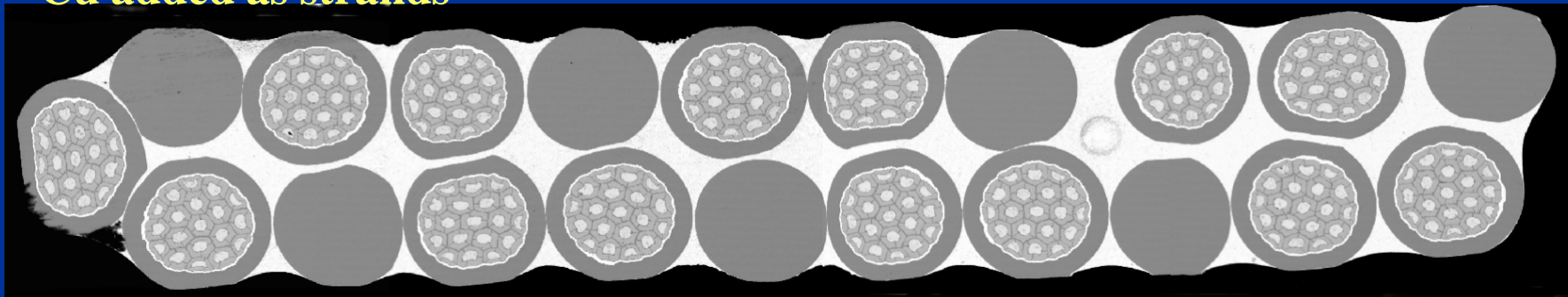


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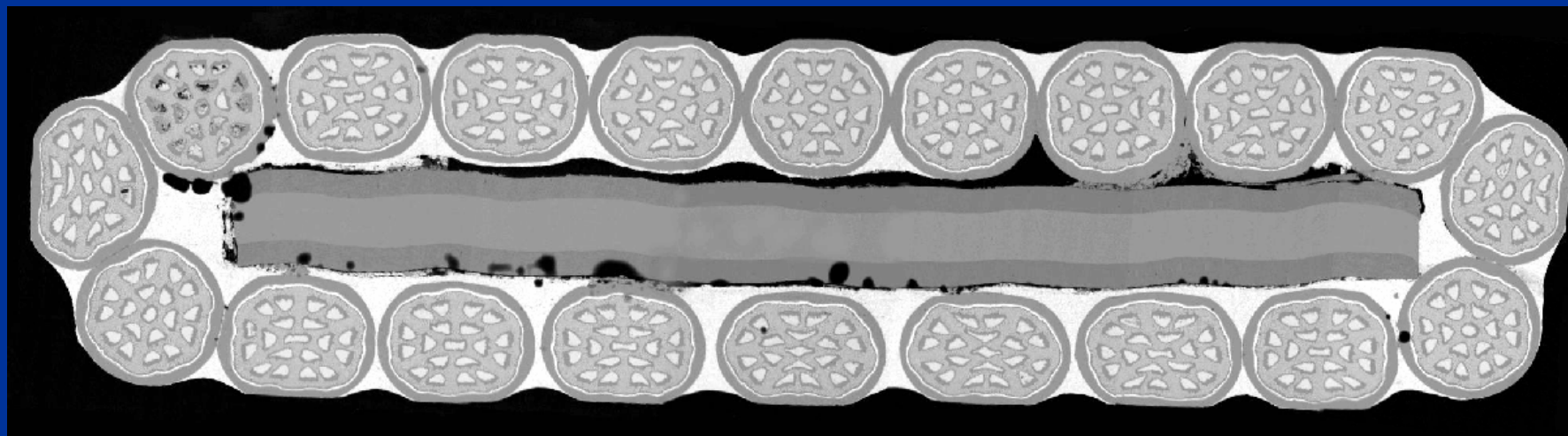


# Cu added at cabling stage

## Cu added as strands



## Cu added to core



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# Summary

Cabling guidelines are being developed for “difficult to cable” materials ( $\text{Nb}_3\text{Sn}$ ; Bi-2212)

- nearly complete for rectangular cables
- just begun for keystone cables

Non-standard cables have been evaluated; all are more difficult to fabricate than the standard Rutherford design

- Mixed strand cables
- Cored cables
- Two-level cables

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