EDS Of Semiconductor Lamellae in SEM (T-SEM) and STEM October $8^{th},\,2020$



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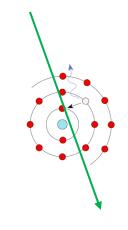




- Intro: Microscopy of bulk and e-transparent specimens
 - Quantitative EDS for lamellae in SEM (FIB) > "T-SEM" and TEM/STEM
- Specimen preparation

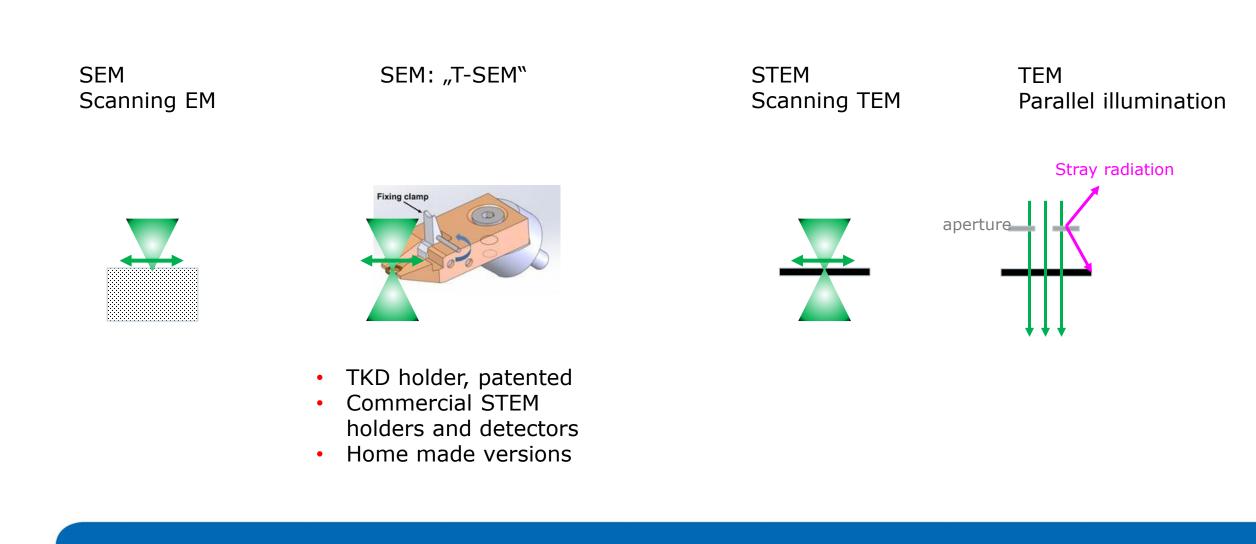
Overview

- Optimum specimen-detector geometries in SEM
- Examples of quantitative EDS analysis of semiconductor lamellae
 - in SEM (T-SEM)
 - and STEM and
 - in relation to available complementary analysis methods

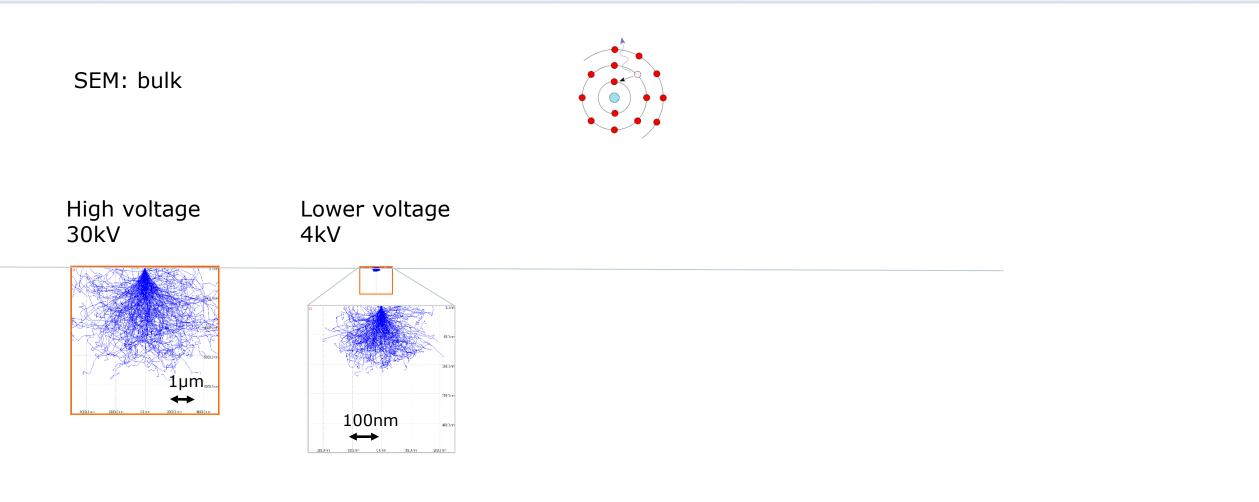


Electron Microscopy

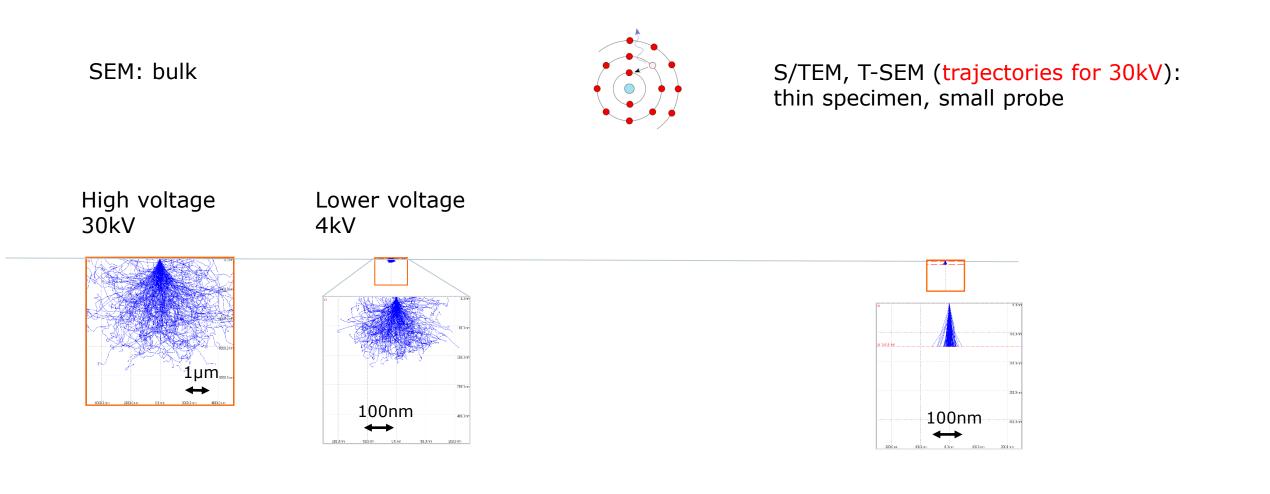




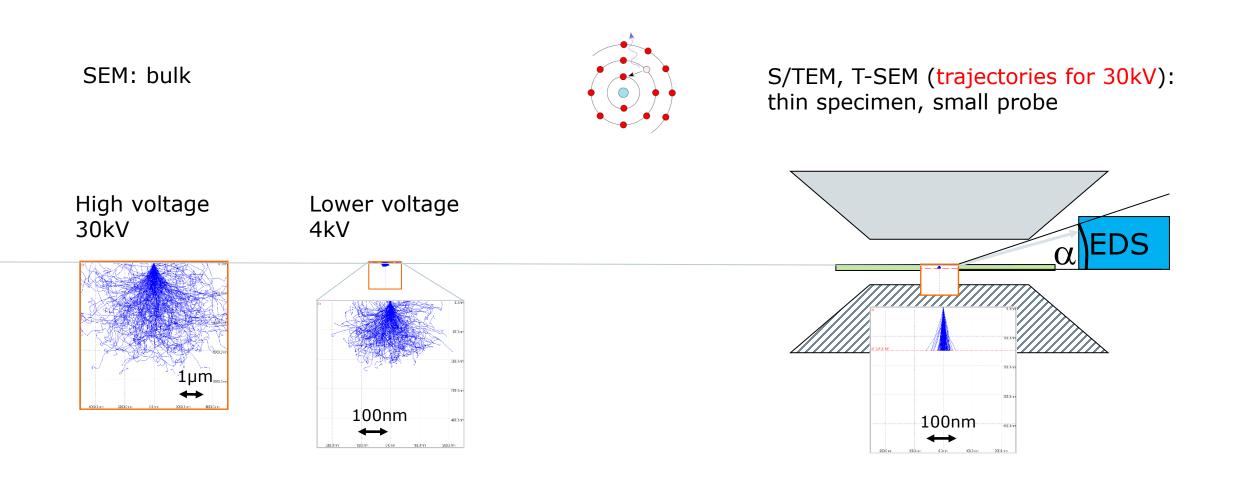




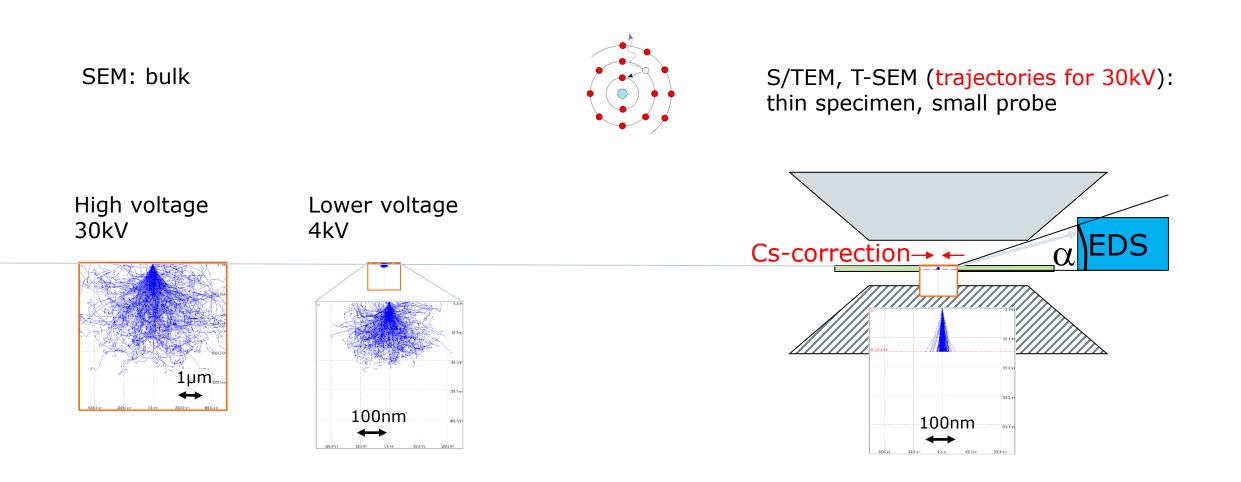












(TEM) EDS Quantification; R. Egerton 1994, line intensity for a particular element line / transition:

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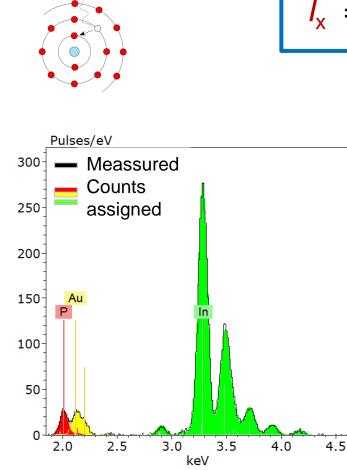
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 $I_{x} = N_{A} \sigma_{A} \omega_{A} (\Omega/4\pi) \varepsilon N_{e} = n_{A} t \sigma_{A} \omega_{A} (\Omega/4\pi) \varepsilon N_{e}$

- number of X-ray photons in a characteristic peak of species A
- number of atoms per unit volume
- density times thickness
- ionization cross section (Casnati et al., 1982, Bote et al., 2009) fluorescence yield (Hubbell et al., 1994, Krause, 1979)
- $\Omega/4\pi$ solid angle / geometrical collection efficiency detection quantum efficiency (window: SLEW or no window or other)

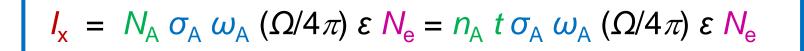
number of incident electrons

+ absorption, fluorescence, other effects...

(TEM) EDS Quantification; The Cliff-Lorimer Method

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Cliff and Lorimer:

 $k_{AB} C_B$; k_{AB} can be determined experimentally or theoretically

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(TEM) EDS Quantification; The Zeta-Factor Method ... and EELS



Bulk, thick samples: Zeta-Factor Method, needs Standard!

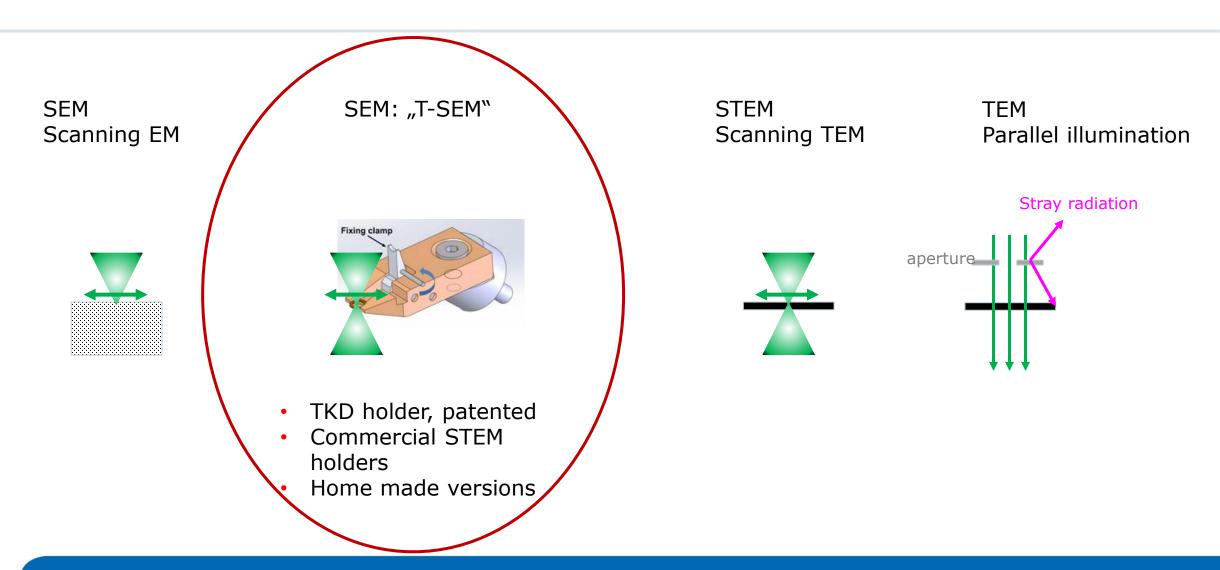
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G. Kothleitner, Micr. Microanal. 2014 EELS: $t/\lambda = \log_{e} (I_{total}^{E} / I_{0}^{E})$ M. Watanabe, J. of Micr. 2005: For a standard with known density p $= \boldsymbol{\zeta}_{A} \quad \frac{I_{A}\boldsymbol{A}_{A}}{C_{A}D_{e}} \dots = \frac{I^{E}_{\text{core}} \quad \text{AtWeight}}{I^{E}_{0_\text{low}} \quad \sigma} \frac{\boldsymbol{\nabla}_{A \text{vog}}}{\boldsymbol{\nabla}_{A \text{vog}}}$ and known thickness t ζ can be determined: D_e (total electron dose) must be known for all measurements. With a few ζ data points A_{A} Then, for a sample C_{A_r} C_{B_m} and ρt are unknown all ζx can be calculated with: from existing **k**-factors $\zeta_{A} I_{A} + \zeta_{B} I_{B}$ $C_{A} + C_{B} = 1$ $(C_{1} + C_{2} + ... = 1)$ $A_{\rm B}$ $\rho t =$ by just one click in the Esprit SW !!! $\zeta_{A} I_{A}$ ab $\zeta_{A} I_{A} + \zeta_{B} I_{B}$ absorption coefficients $C_{A} =$ $C_{\rm R} =$

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Electron Microscopy



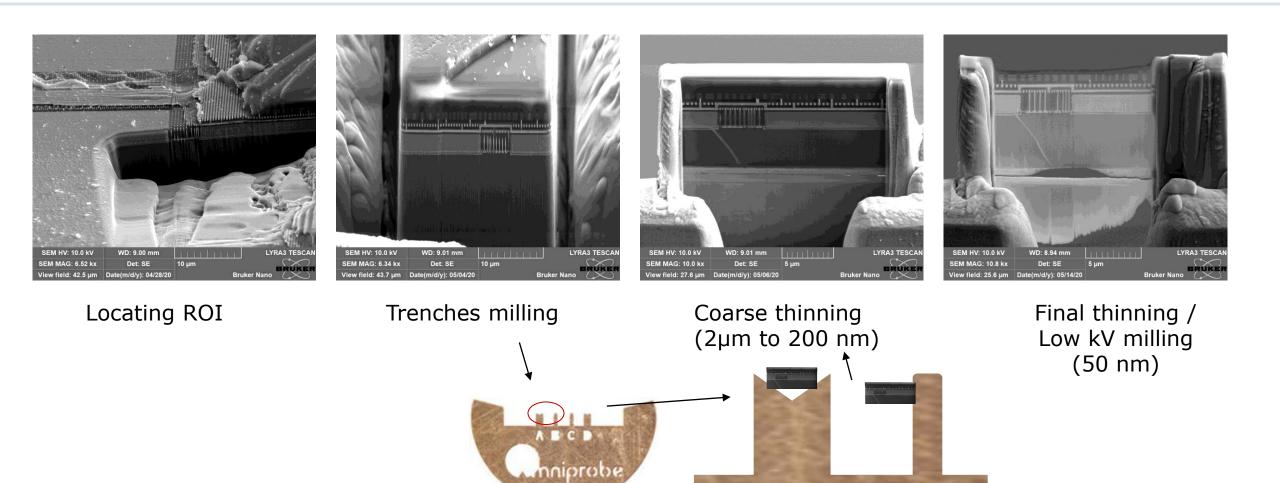




Application examples: FIB/TEM lamellae Lift out from a bulk sample

Application examples: FIB/TEM lamellae Lift out and thinning

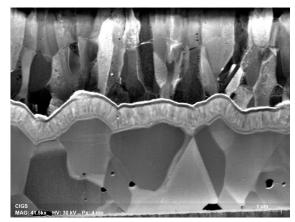




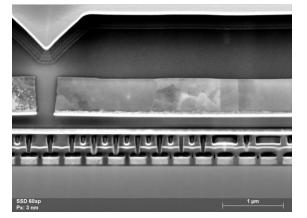
Lift out on grid

Application examples overview STEM images

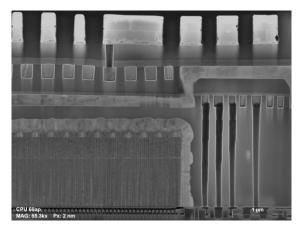




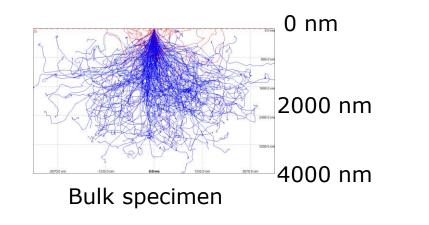
CIGS solar cell

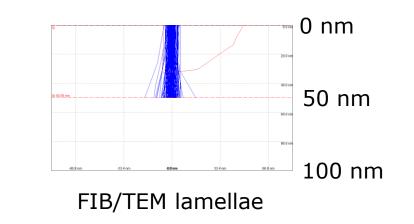


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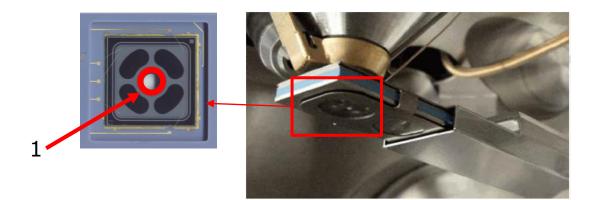
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- Side entry, energy dispersive x-ray spectra detector
- Annular design; Central aperture for primary beam¹
- 4 × SDD modules (total area 60 mm²)

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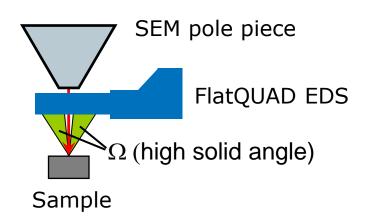
- Optimum signal collection geometry
- High sensitivity, high signal low noise
- Large solid angle (up to 1.1 sr)
- Shadowing minimized for topographic samples
- High count rate at low beam currents

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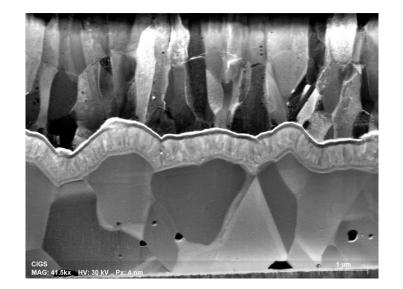


Ideal for samples with low x-ray/EDS yield:

- TEM/FIB lamellae
- Thin films
- Nanoparticles
- low Z (light elements)
- Ultra-sensitive for bulk samples

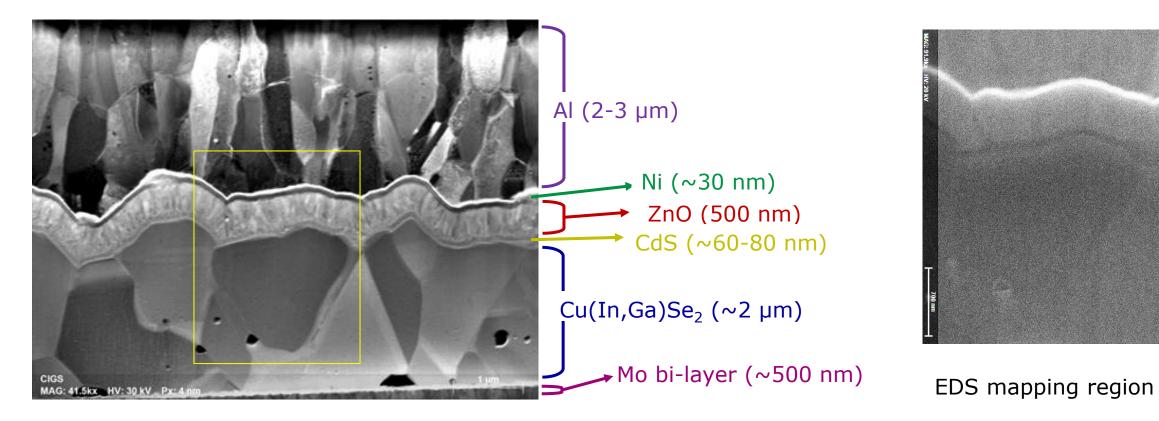


Application example: CIGS



Application example: Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ solar cell STEM DF – Layered structure (FIB-Lamella)





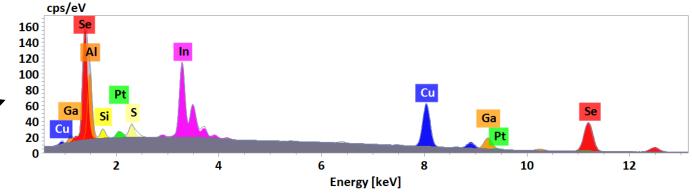
Lamella thickness ~ 70 nm

Sample courtesy: M. Raghuwanshi, RWTH Aachen University, Aachen, Germany

Application example: Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ solar cell Hypermap and Quantification results





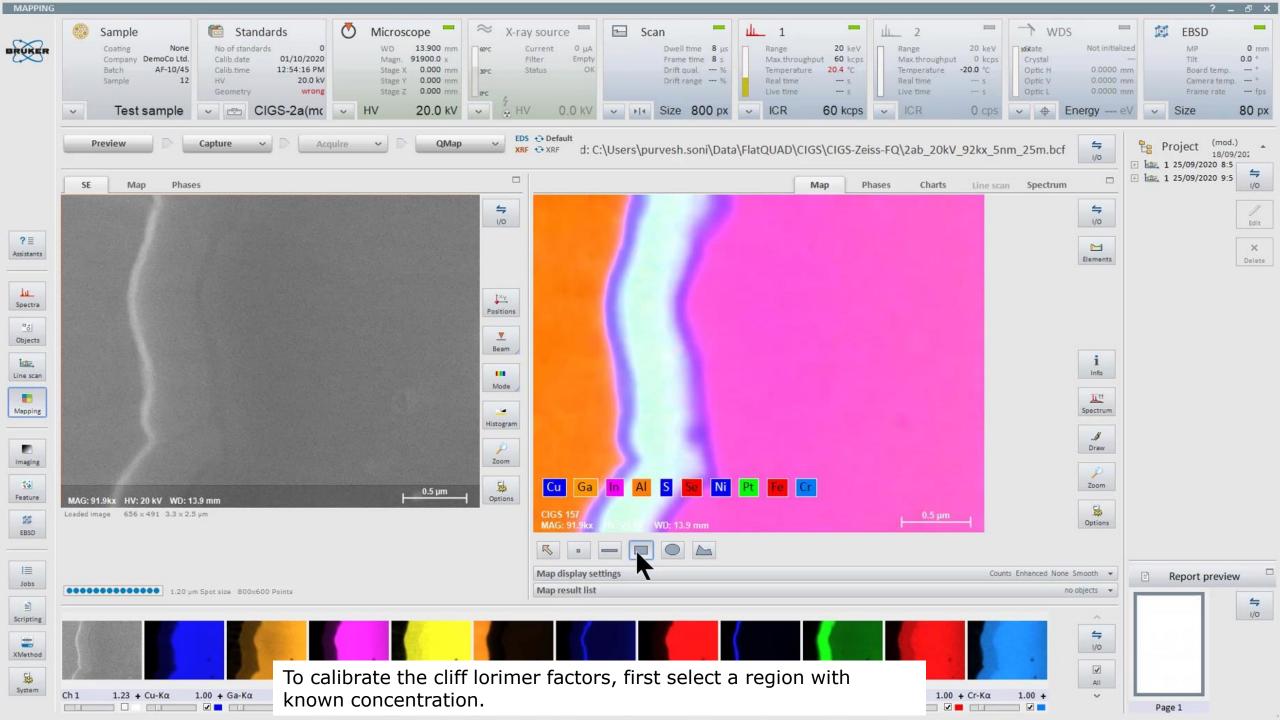


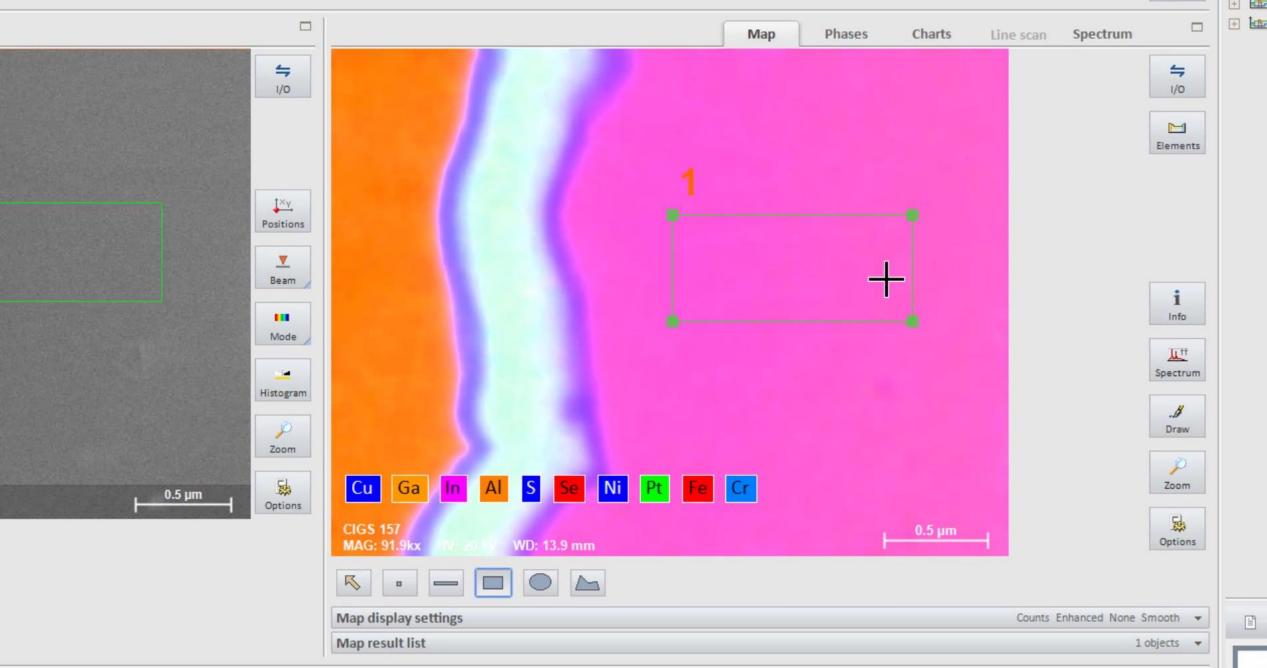
Cliff-Lorimer quantification

Element	Atomic No.		Net counts		Error (1- sigma %)
Copper	29	К	8.91E+05	21.71	0.51
Indium	49	L	1.72E+06	22.52	3.2
Gallium	31	К	2.39E+05	6.39	0.17
Selenium	34	K	7.04E+05	44.75	0.18
Sulfur	16	K	1.81E+05	4.63	0.06
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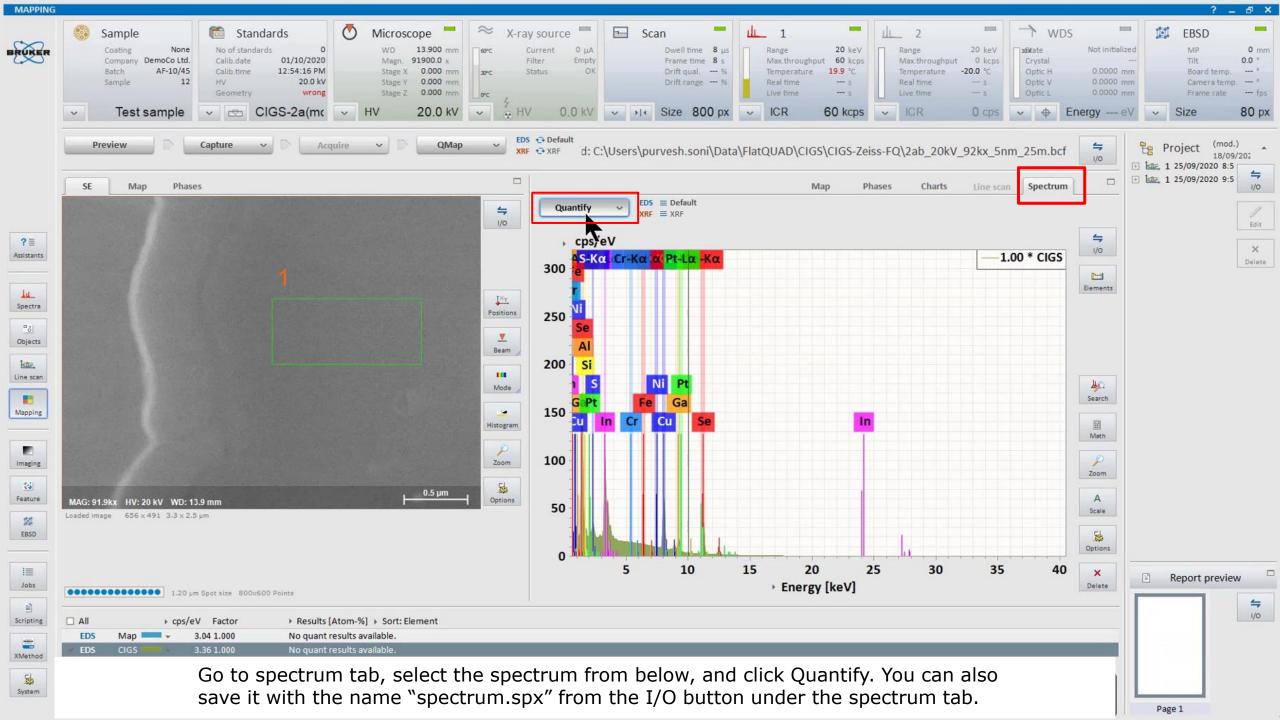
Cliff Lorimer Quantification method for e-transparent samples





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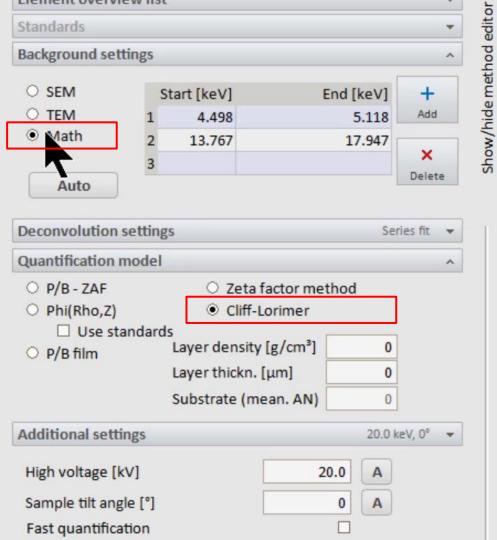
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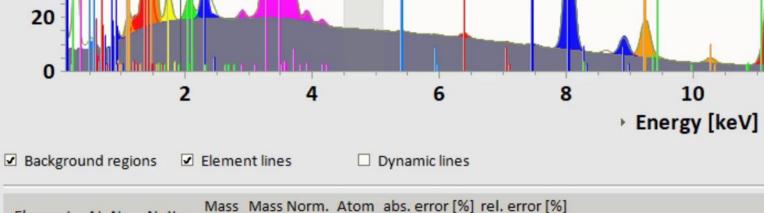
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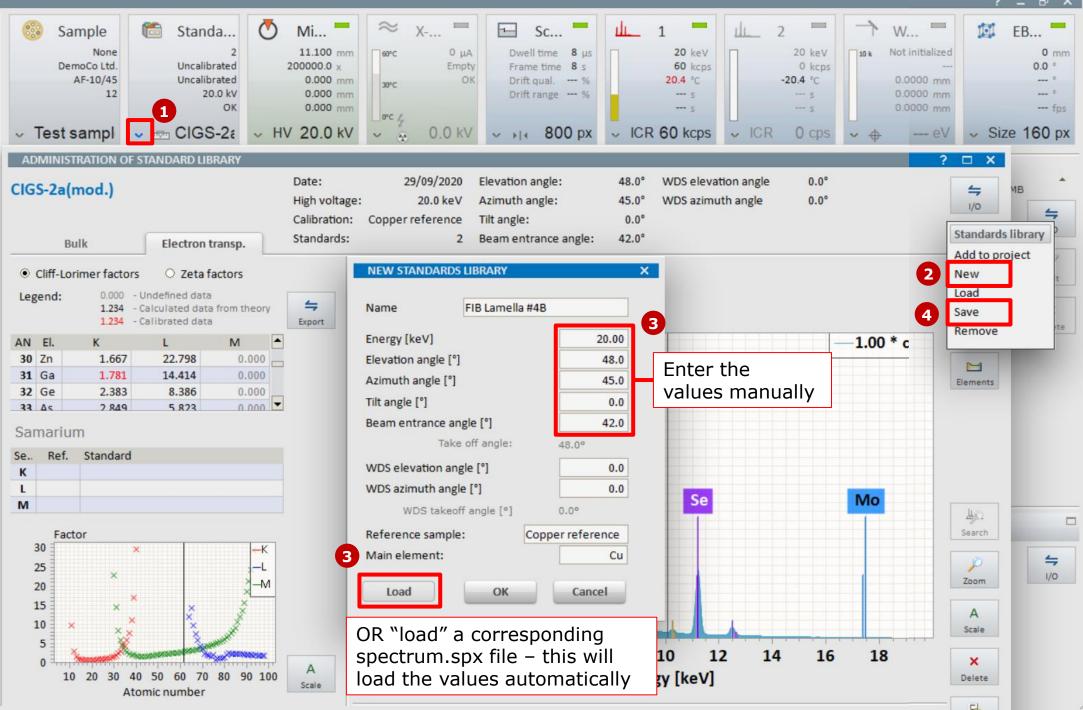
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Load now select Cliff-Lorimer as the quantification model and Mathematical background (the mathematical bg is for samples which are neither bulk nor really thin, so that the physical SEM or TEM Background don't work perfectly).



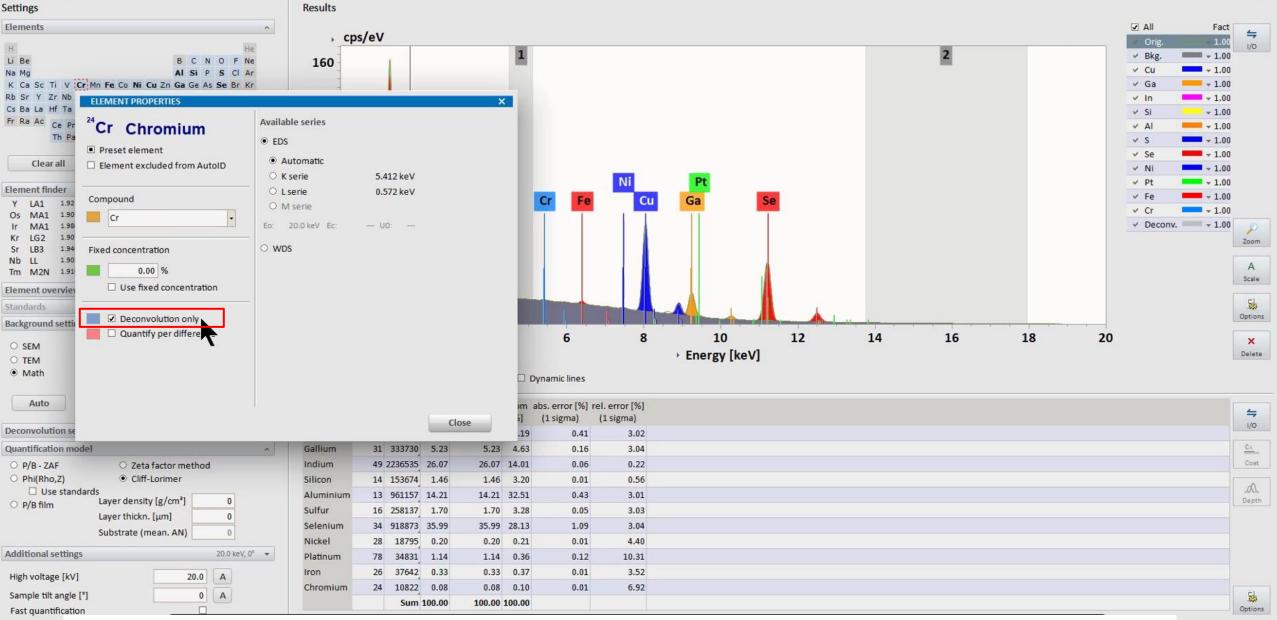


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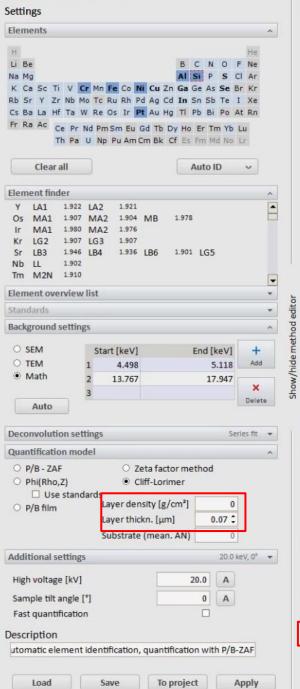




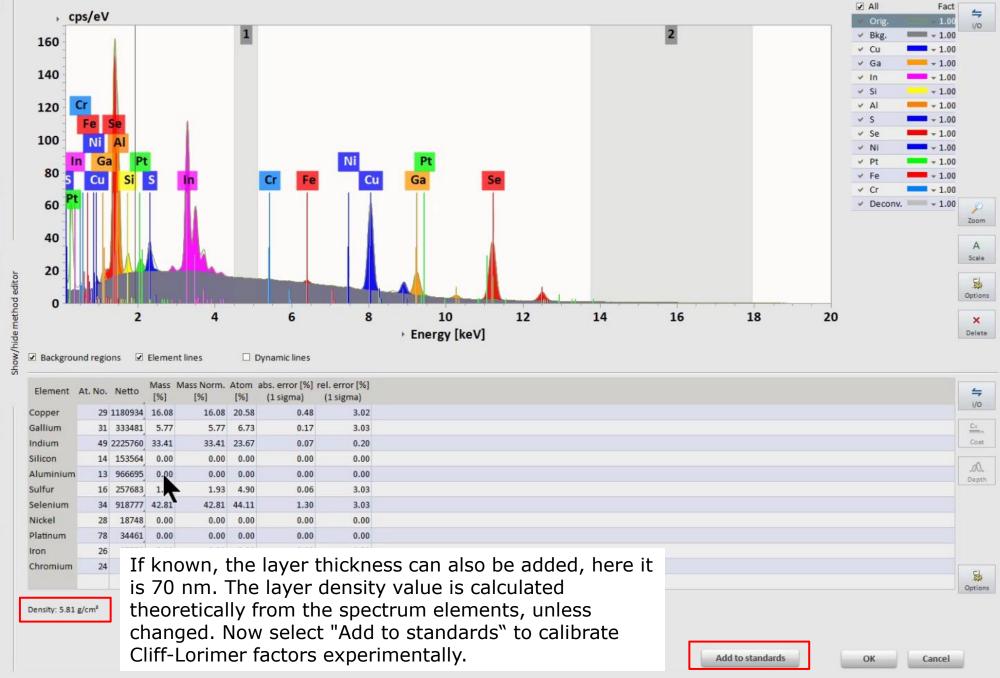
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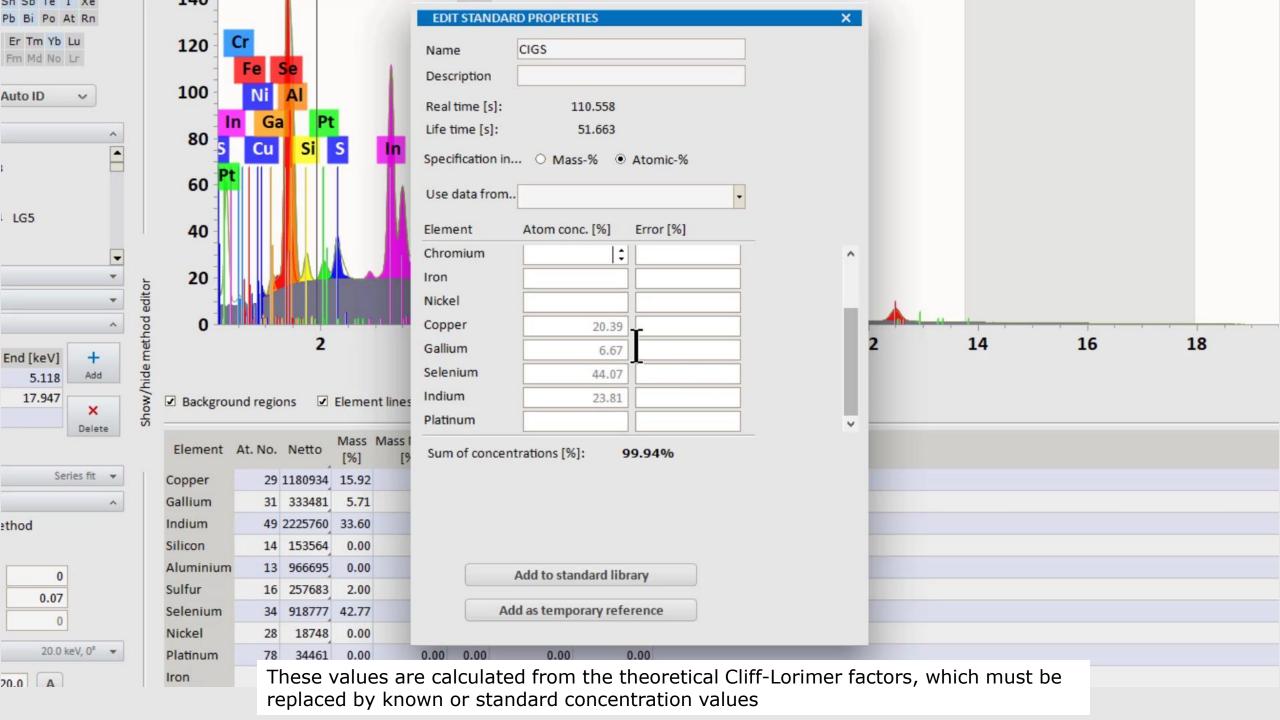
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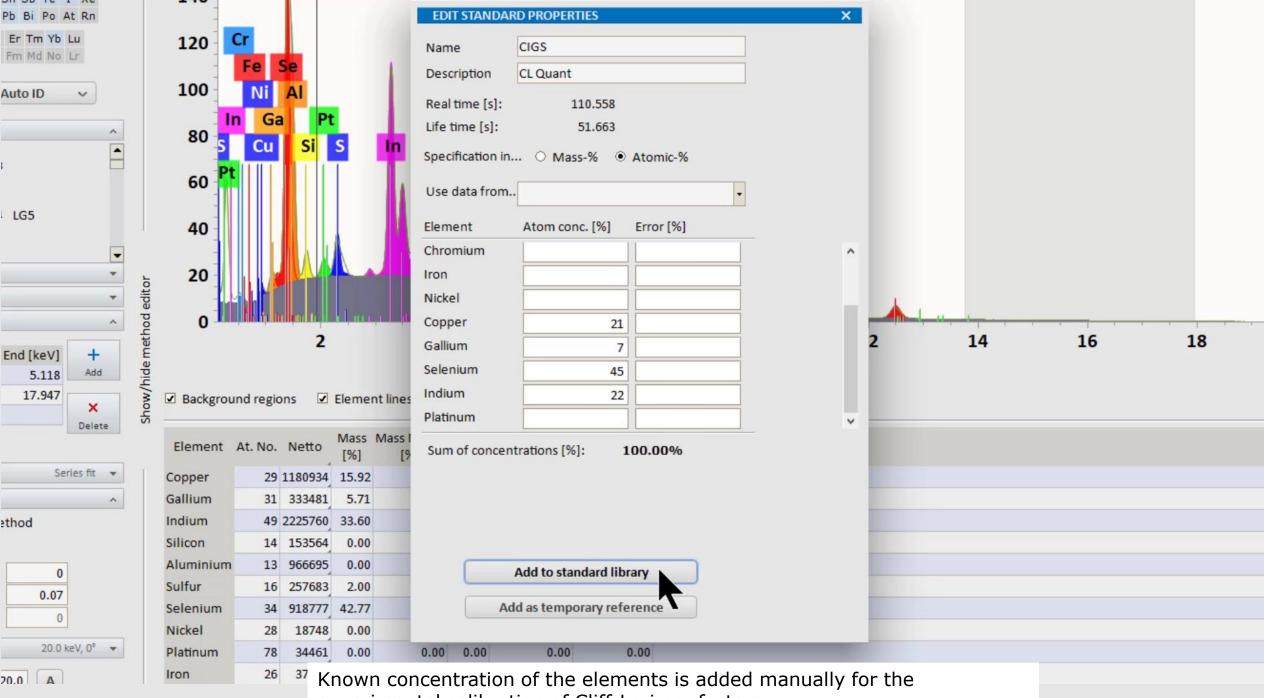
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Results







experimental calibration of Cliff-Lorimer factors

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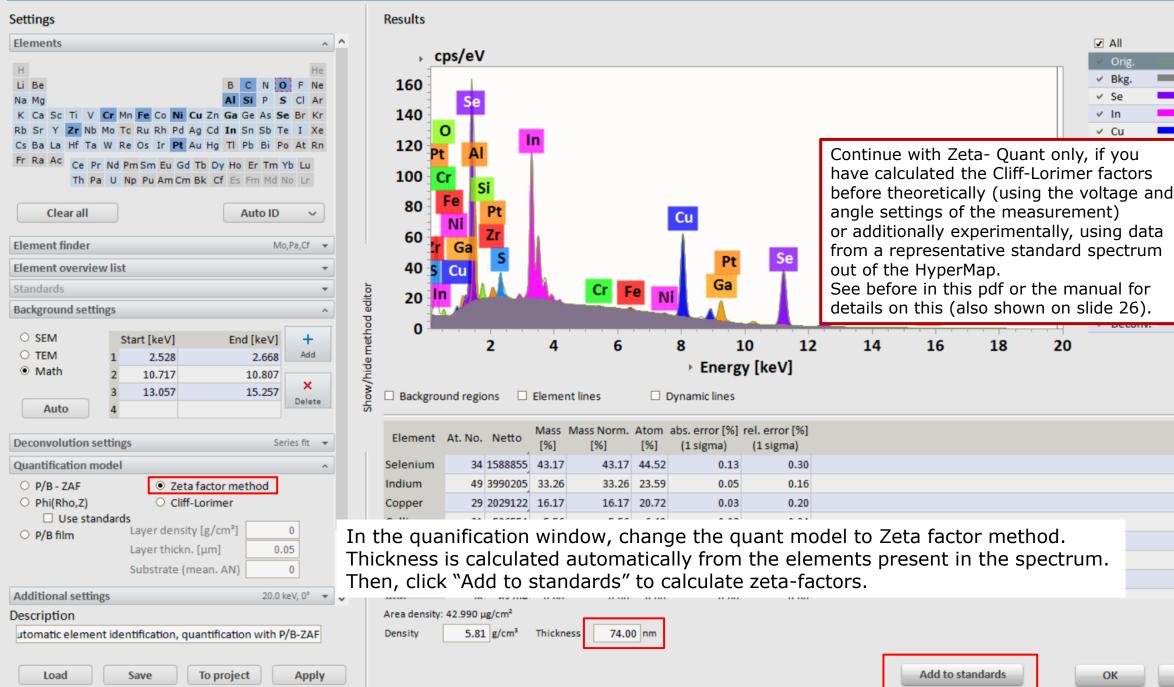
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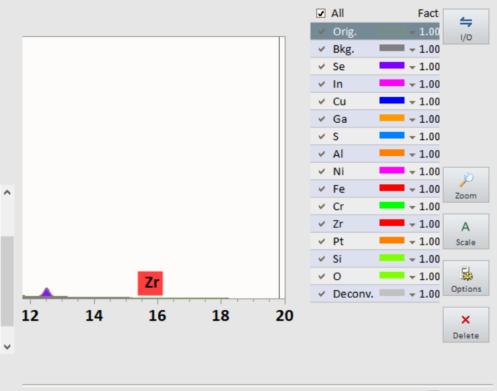
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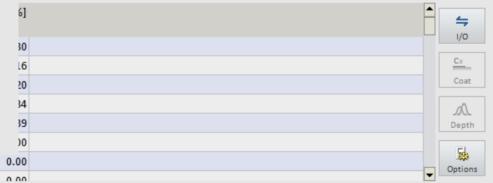


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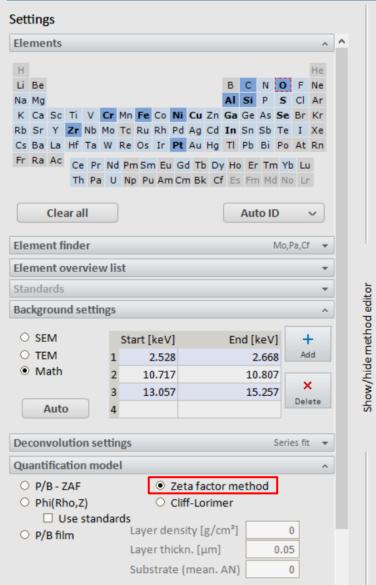
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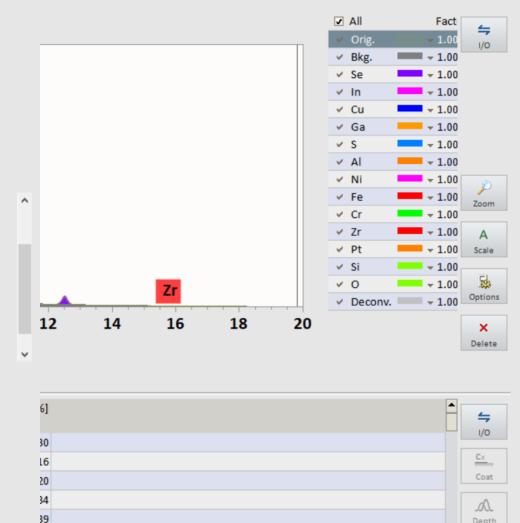


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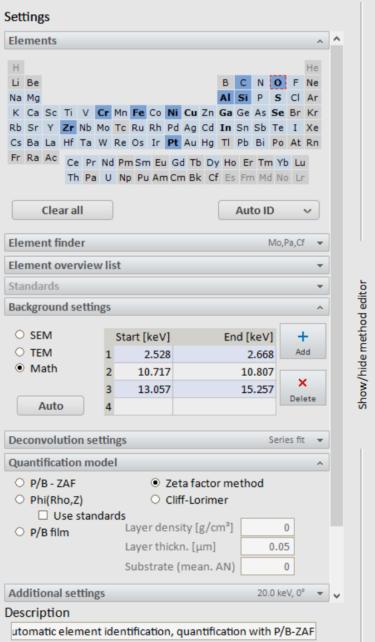
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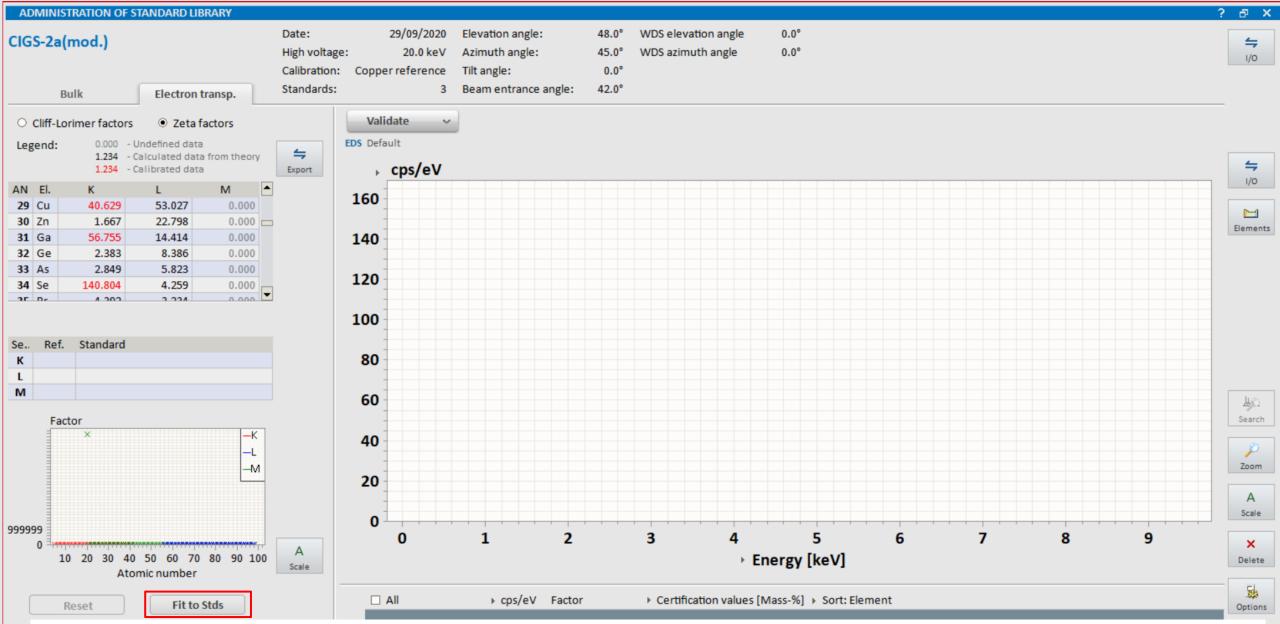
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In the standards library, In RED, you can now see the calibrated Zeta factors for the given beam current. You can then click "fit to standards" to interpolate the theoretical zeta factors for other elements for the given e-beam conditions using the Cliff-Lorimer factors calculated before.

Application example: Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ solar cell (contd...) Quantified map in atomic %



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Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ CdS Cu In Ga Se

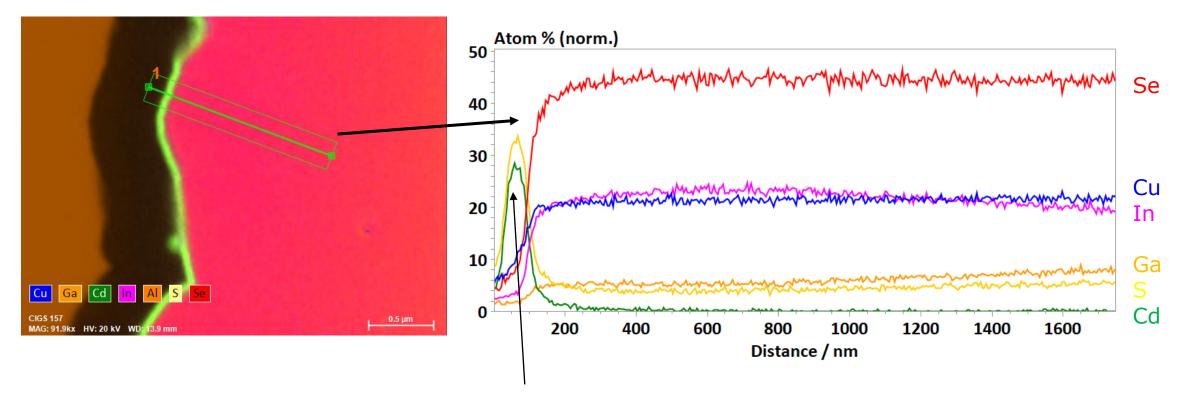
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Application example: Cu(InGa)Se₂ solar cell EDS Line scan in Atomic %

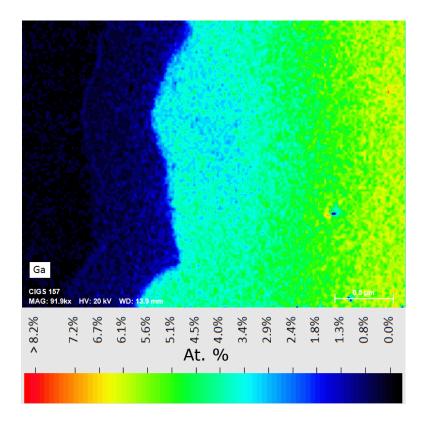


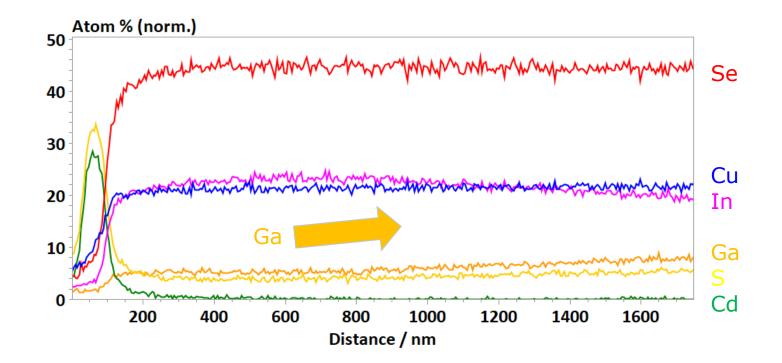


Thin CdS buffer layer (~60-80 nm)

Application example: Cu(InGa)Se₂ solar cell EDS Line scan in Atomic %



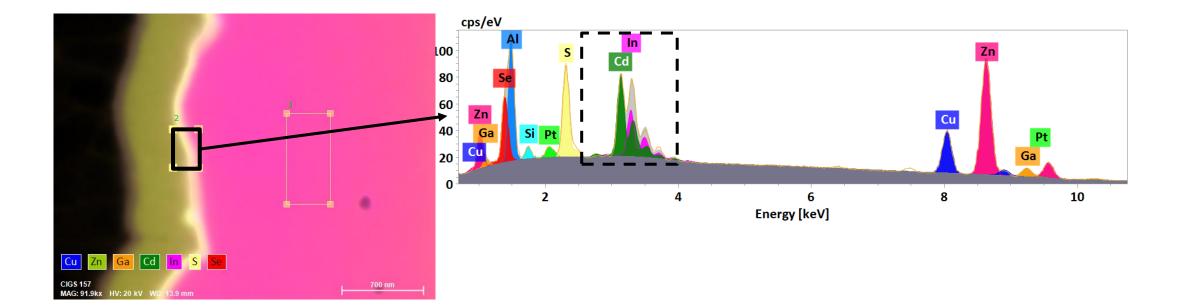




Ga grading in CIGS absorber detected by EDS

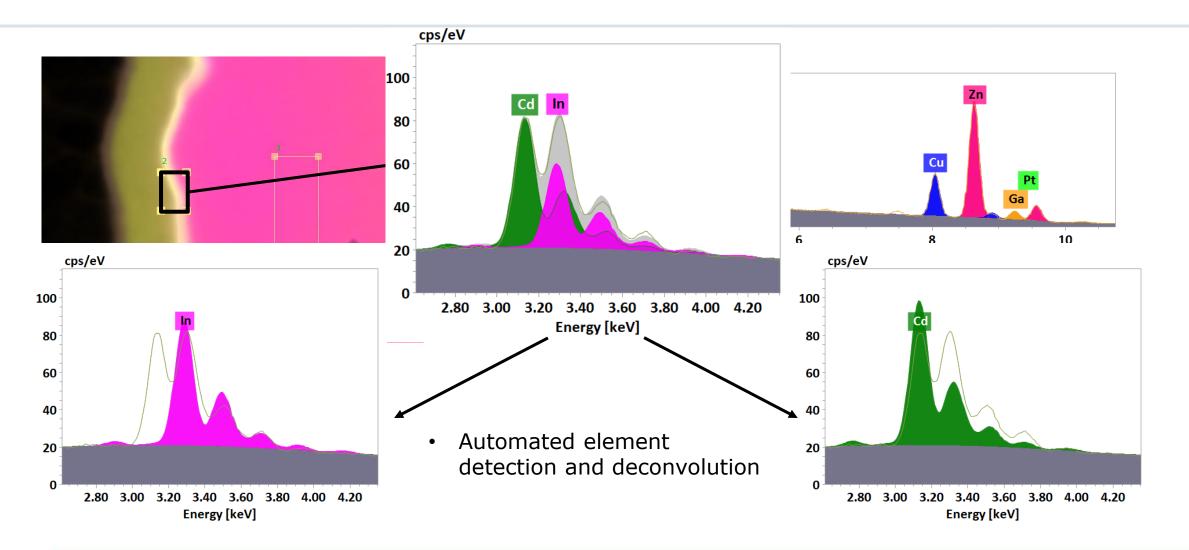
Application example: Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ solar cell EDS mapping – automated peak deconvolution





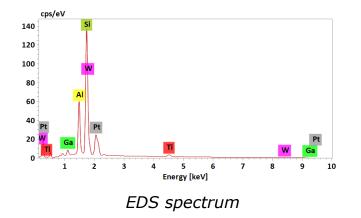
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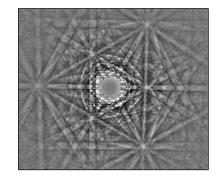






Simultaneous chemical (EDS) and microstructural (TKD) characterization

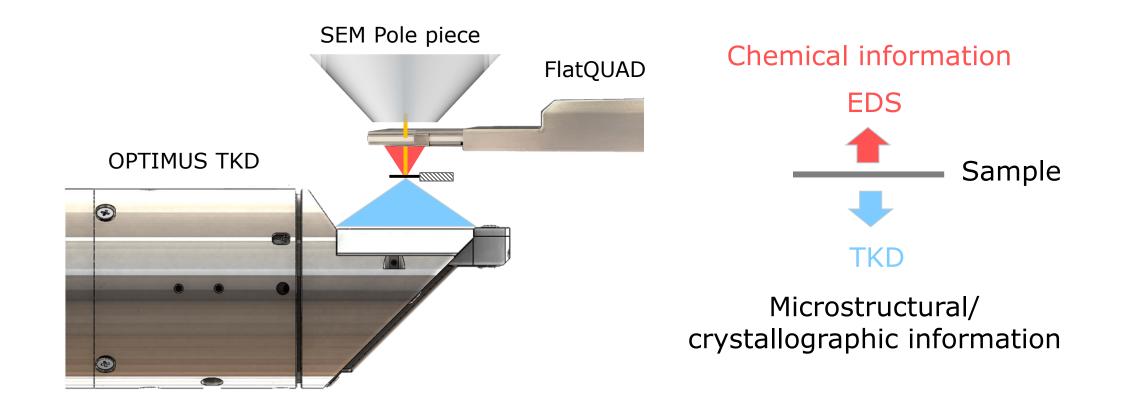




Kikuchi pattern

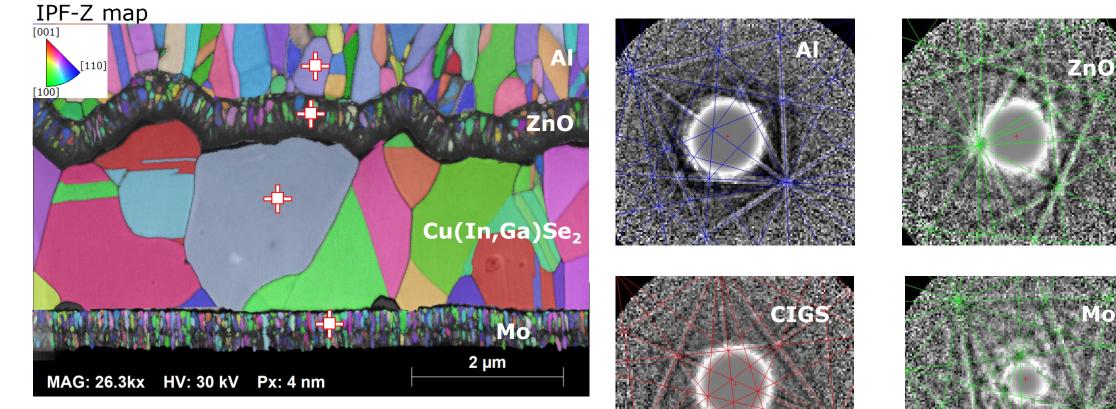
EDS/TKD simultaneous measurement XFlash FlatQUAD with OPTIMUS [™] TKD





Application example: Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ solar cell Crystallographic and orientational mapping using OPTIMUS TKD



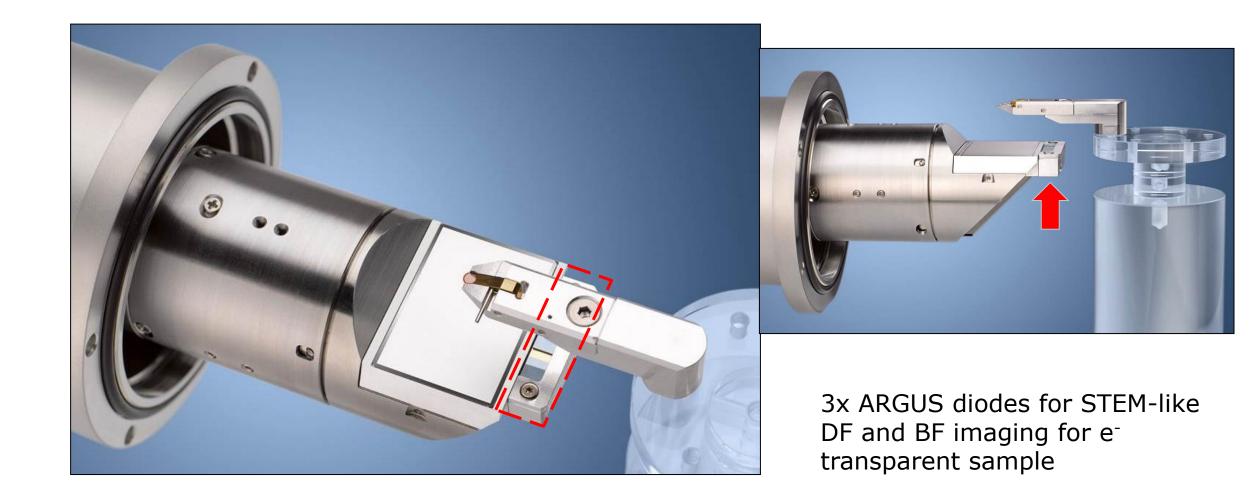


Mapping parameters:

- 30kV; 1.6 nA; Step size: 4nm
- Acq. speed: 330 fps; Map size: 1.93 million pixels

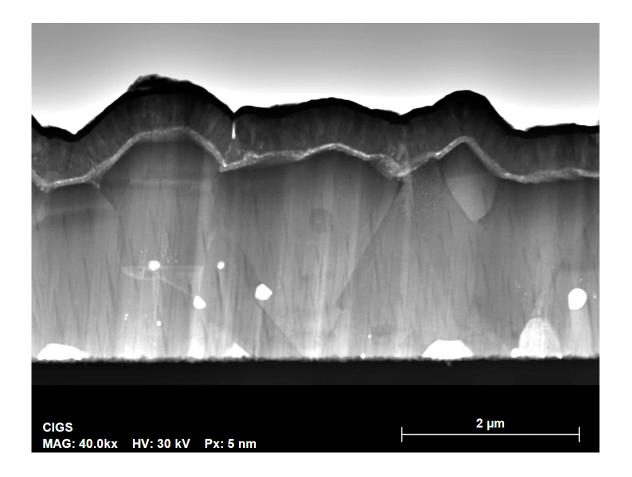
ARGUS imaging Color coded orientation contrast imaging





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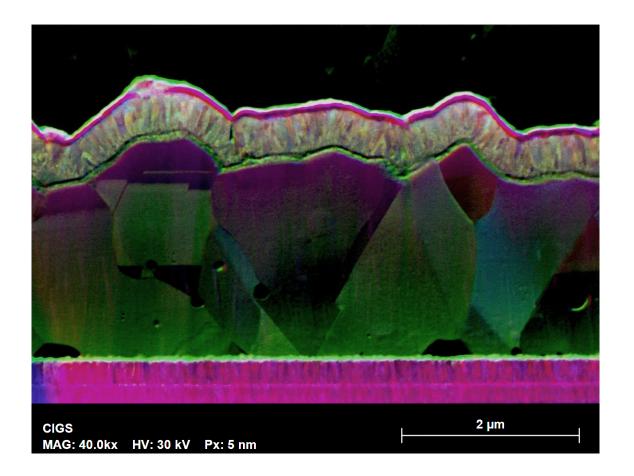




 Bright field mode imaging (direct detection)

ARGUS imaging Color coded orientation contrast imaging

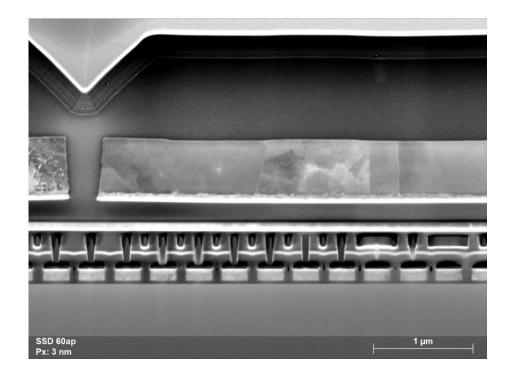




 Color coded dark field-like imaging (High angle scattered signal)



Application example: SSD



Large area mapping Locating region of interest using µ-XRF



Smartphone motherboard μ -XRF map

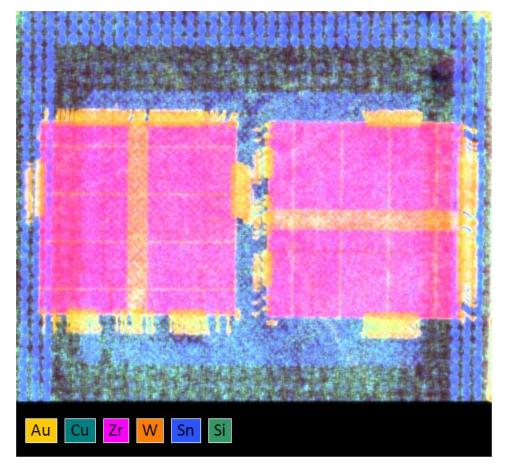
• Large area mapping using μ-XRF



 Locating the area for lift out on the sample

Large area mapping Locating region of interest using µ-XRF

Smartphone motherboard µ-XRF map





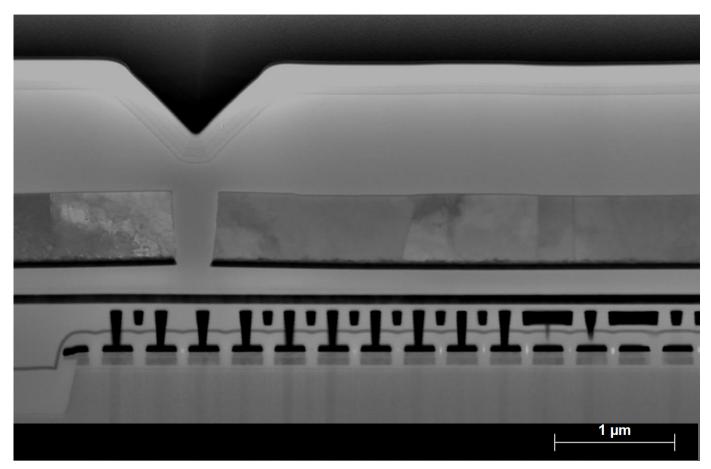
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 Locating the area for lift out on the sample

Application example: SSD EDS mapping – individual element profile

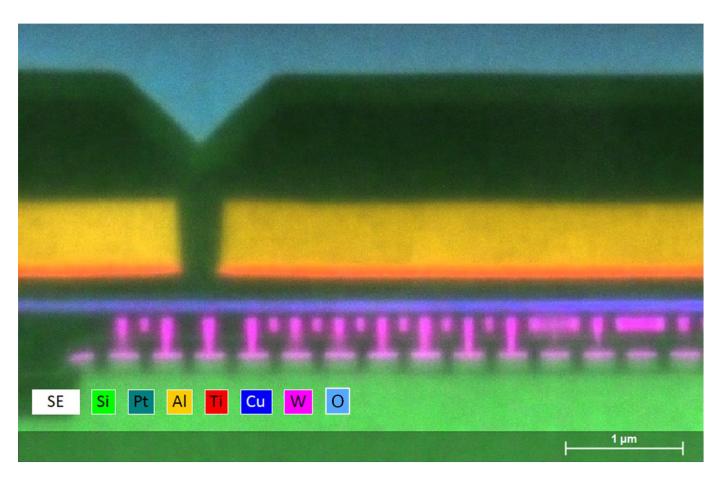




STEM Bright field

Application example: SSD EDS mapping – individual element profile





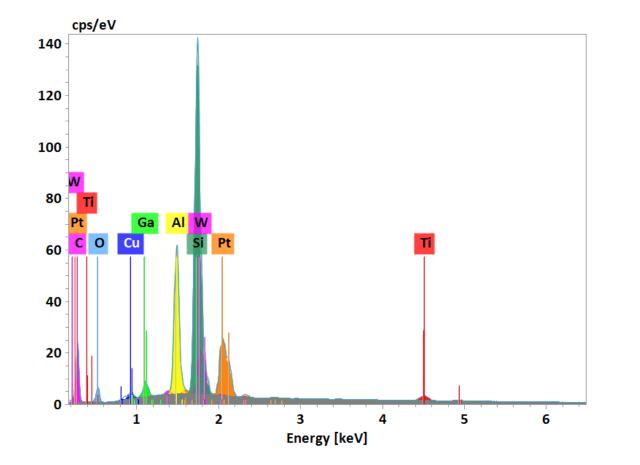
EDS mapping parameters:

- High voltage: 10 kV
- Abs. current: 410 pA
- WD: 9 mm
- Mag: 35,000 x
- Map time: 300 s
- Map size: 800 × 533 px
- Input counts: 86.6 Kcps
- Output counts: 36.1 Kcps
- Total counts: 1.08E+07 (10.8 M)

EDS map

Application example: SSD EDS mapping – Spectrum and mapping details



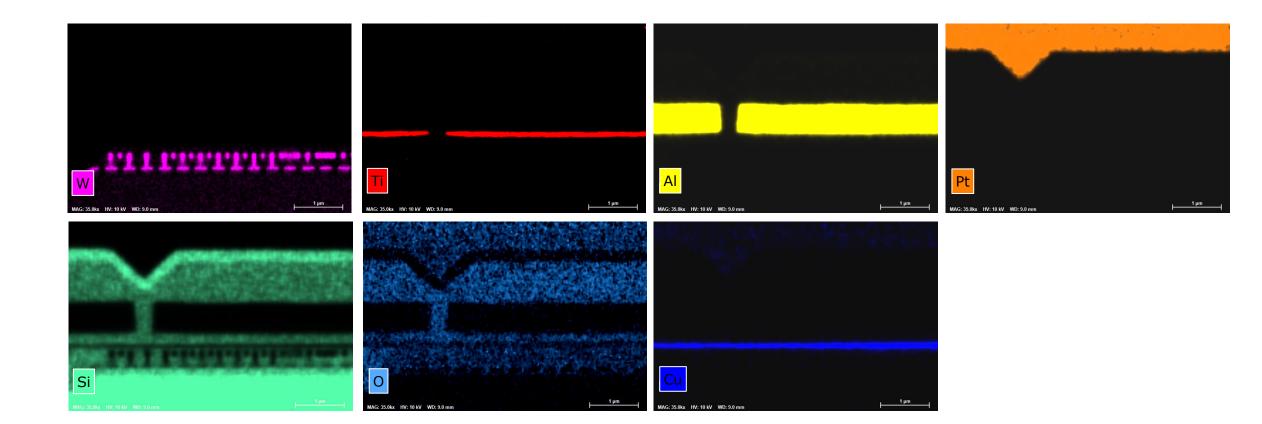


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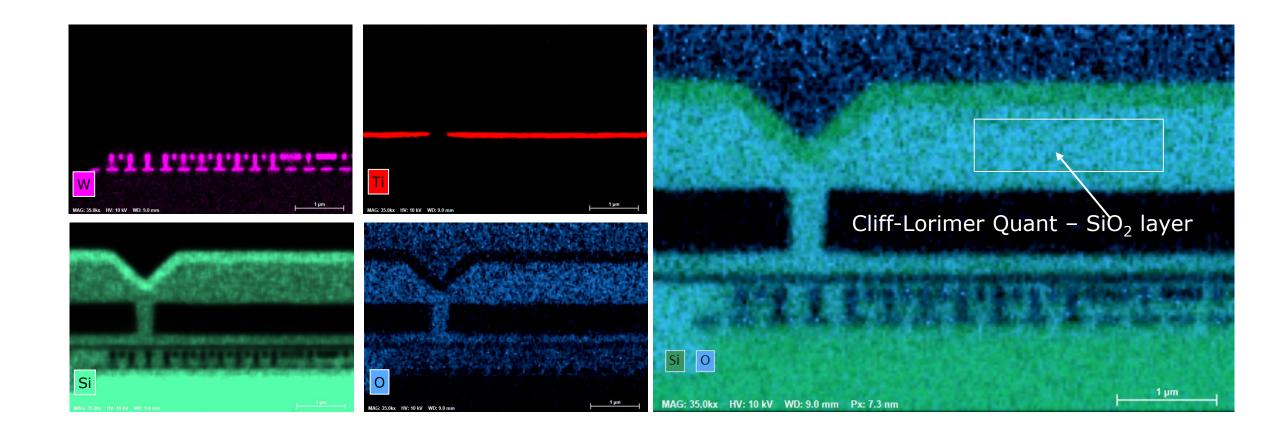
Application example: SSD Quantified map in atomic %





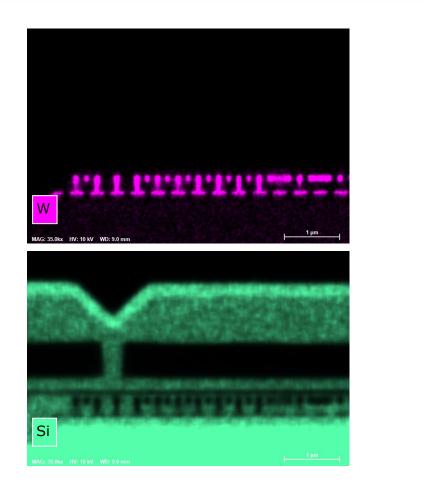
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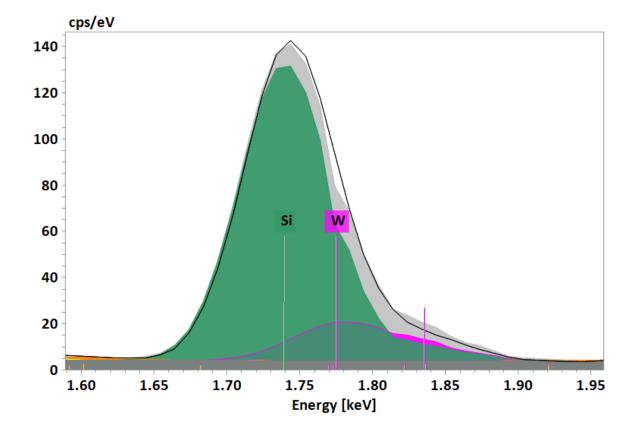




Application example: SSD Quantified map in atomic %



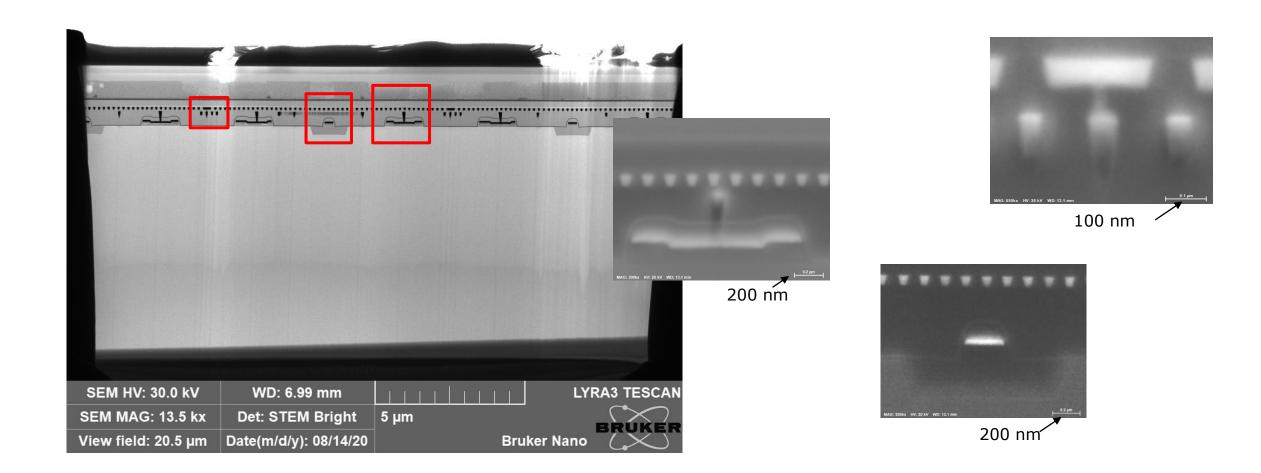




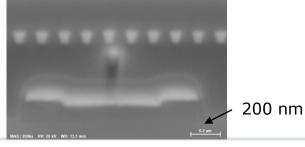
Si and W – automated deconvolution

Application example: SSD-2 Lamella #2

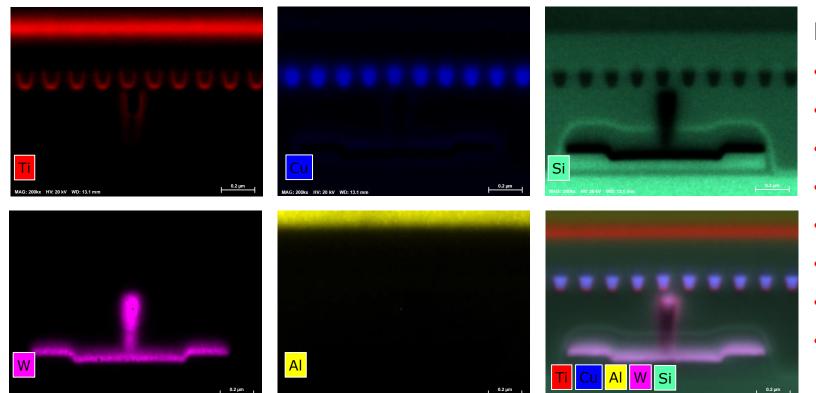




Application example: SSD-2 Quantified map in atomic %





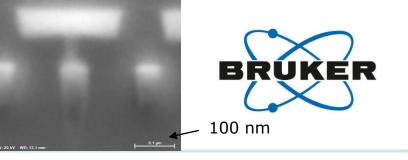


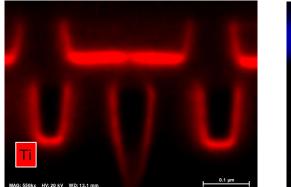
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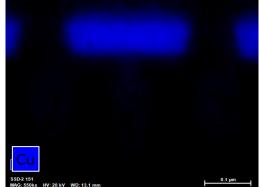
- High voltage: 20 kV
- Abs. current: 350 pA
- WD: 13.1 mm
- Mag: 200,000 X
- Map time: 20 m
- Input counts: 298.2 Kcps
- Output counts: 170 Kcps
- Total counts: 2.02E+08

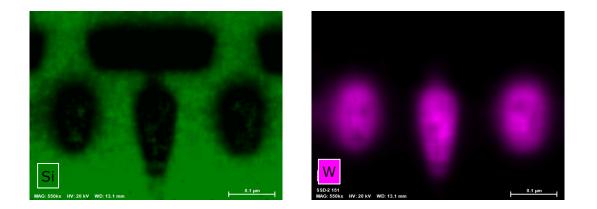
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Application example: SSD-2 EDS mapping at high magnification in SEM









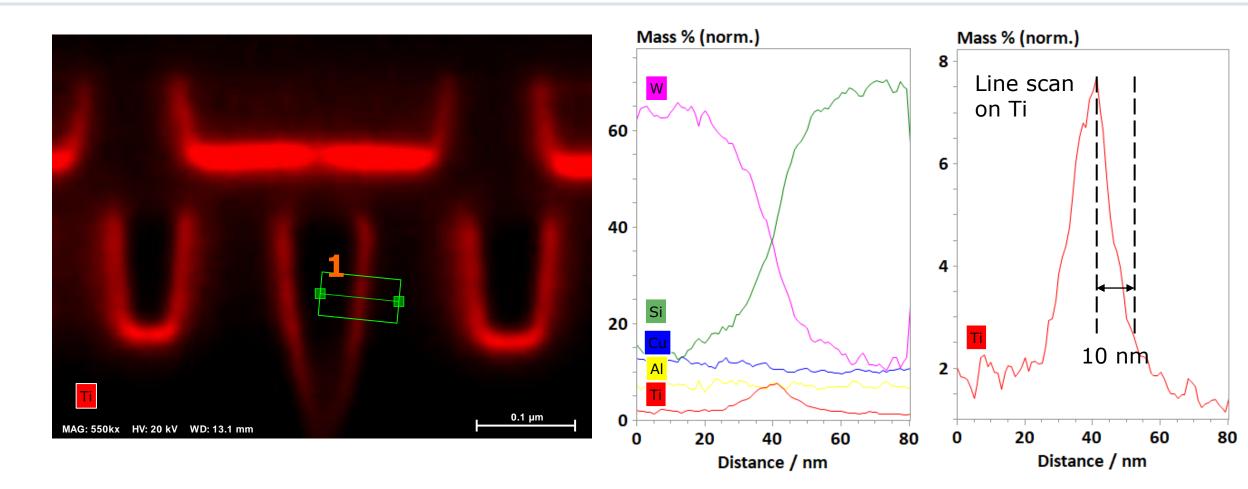
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- High voltage: 20 kV
- Abs. current: 350 pA
- WD: 13.1 mm
- Mag: 550,000 X
- Map time: 6 m
- Input counts: 366.6 Kcps
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- Total counts: 7.28E+07 (70 M)

Quantified map in atomic %

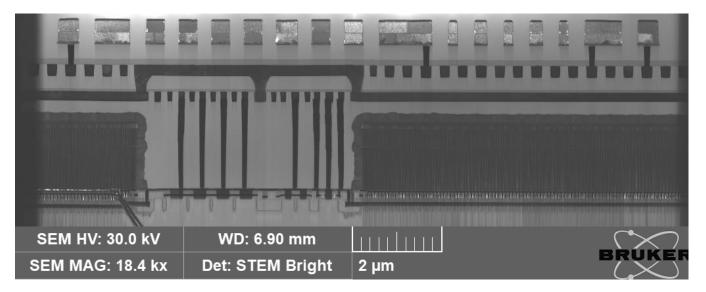
Application example: SSD-2 EDS mapping – Line scan





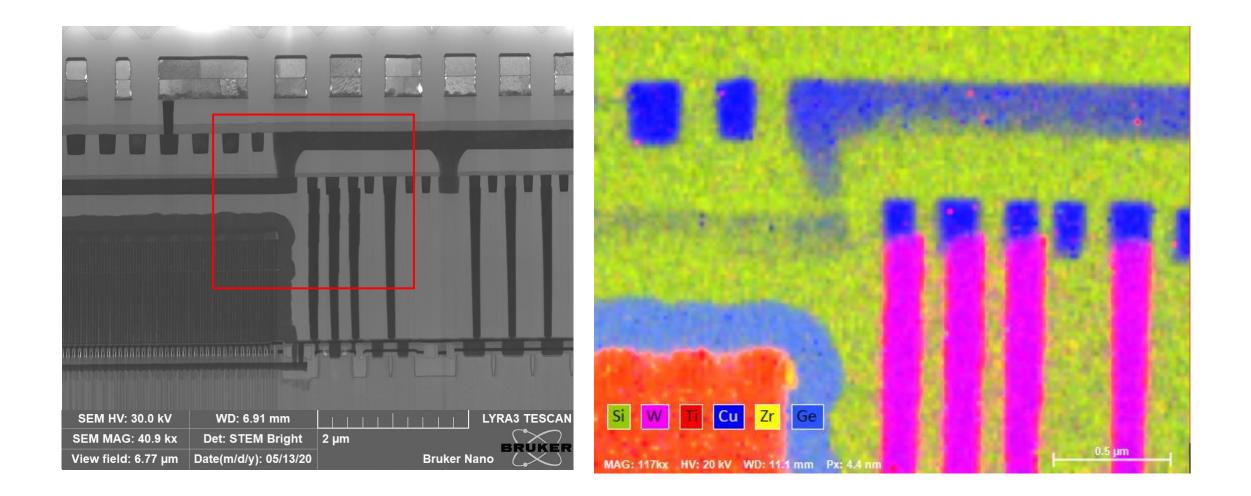


Application example: Microprocessor



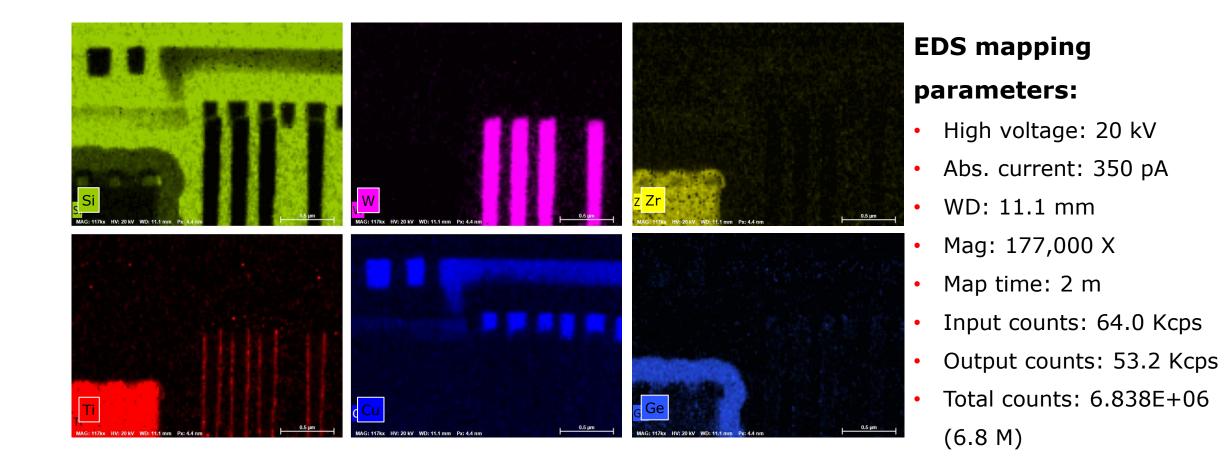
Application example: Microprocessor EDS mapping – Quantified map in atomic %





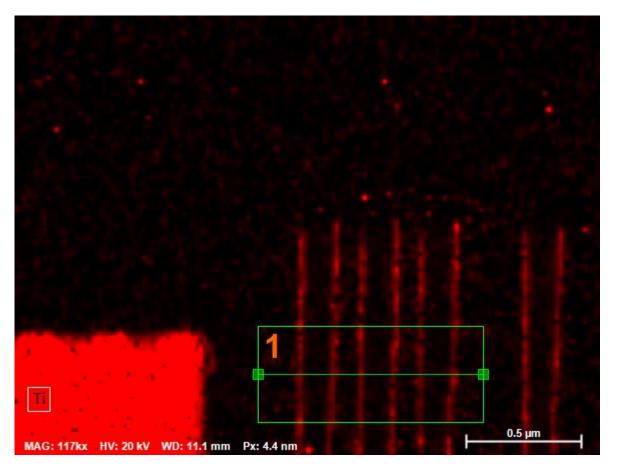
Application example: Microprocessor EDS mapping

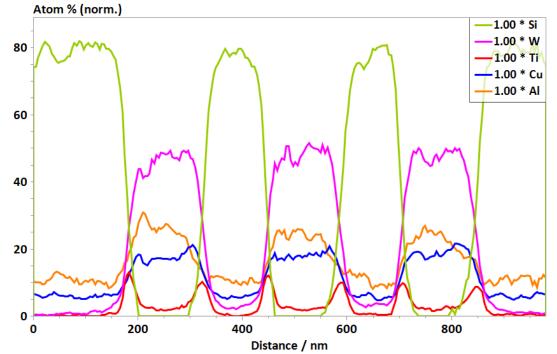




Application example: Microprocessor EDS Line scan – Quantified line scan in Atomic %

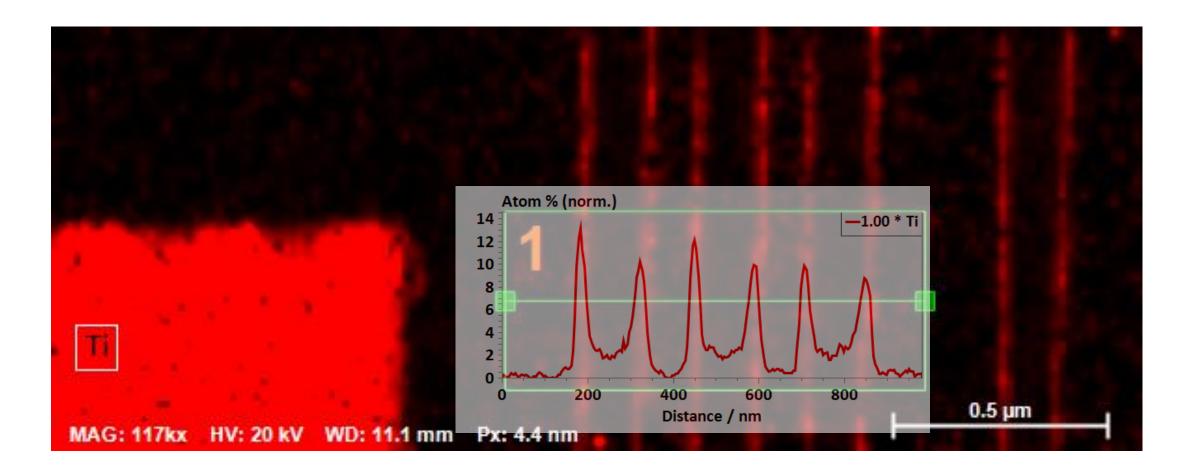






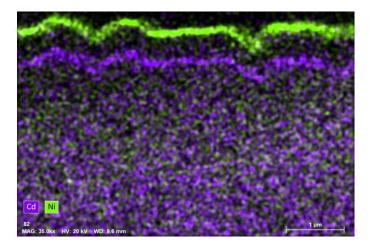
Application example: Microprocessor EDS Line scan - overlap

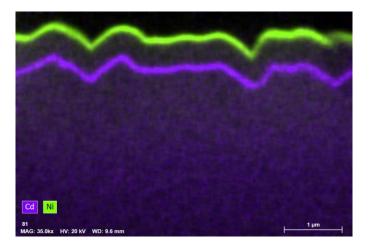




Conventional detector vs. FlatQUAD FQ ideal for thin lamellae, nanoparticles and low x-ray yield samples 20 kV, 35000 X, WD 9.6 mm, 410 pA







Conventional EDS detector:

Size/solid angle: 60 mm², 0.0253 sr

Map time: 300 s

Total counts: 2.4E06 (2.4 M)

Input counts: 7.7 kcps

Output counts: 7.6 kcps

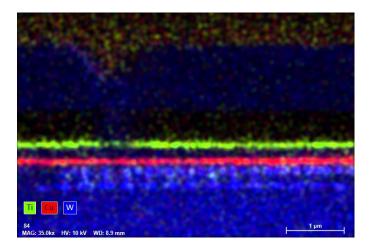
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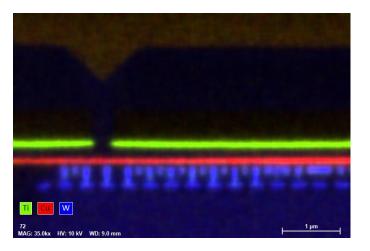
Size/solid angle: 60 mm², 0.95 sr

Map time: 300 s Total counts: 3.9E07 (39 M) Input counts: 218.8 kcps Output counts: 124.9 kcps

Conventional detector vs. FlatQUAD FQ ideal for thin lamellae, nanoparticles and low x-ray yield samples 10 kV, 35000 X, WD 9.0 mm, 280 pA







Conventional EDS detector:

Size/solid angle: 60 mm², 0.0253 sr

Map time: 300 s

Total counts: 6.2E05 (0.62 M)

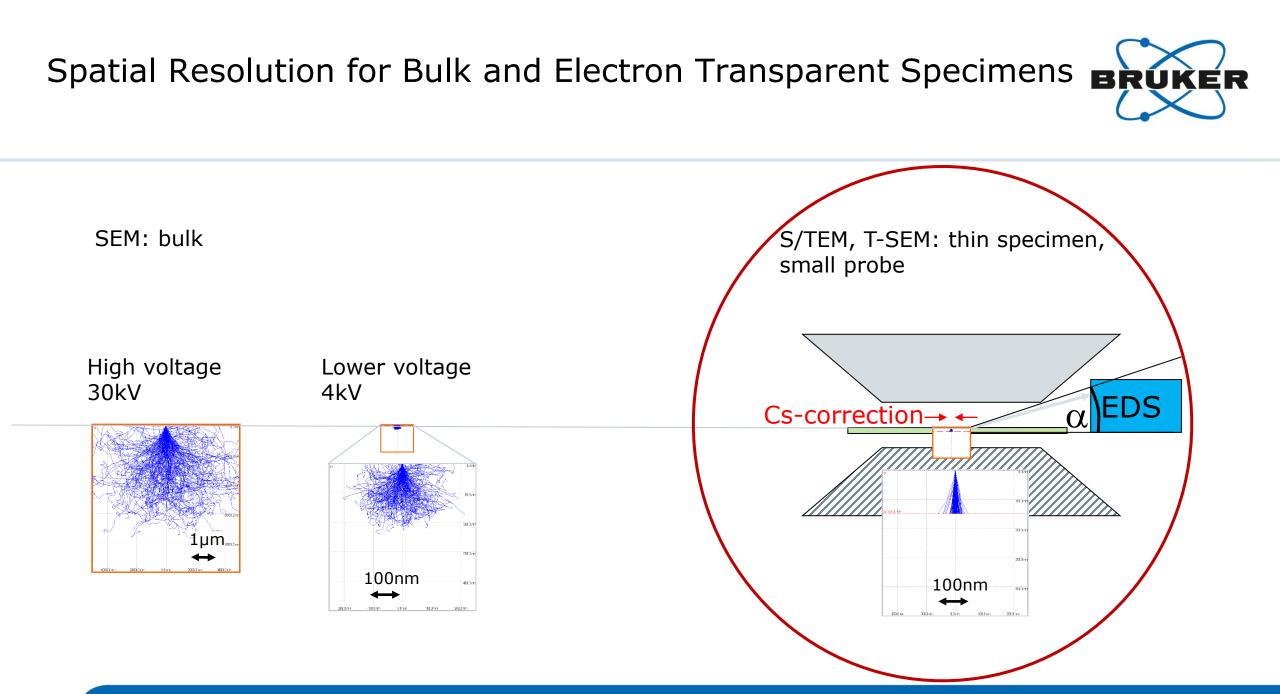
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Output counts: 2.02 kcps

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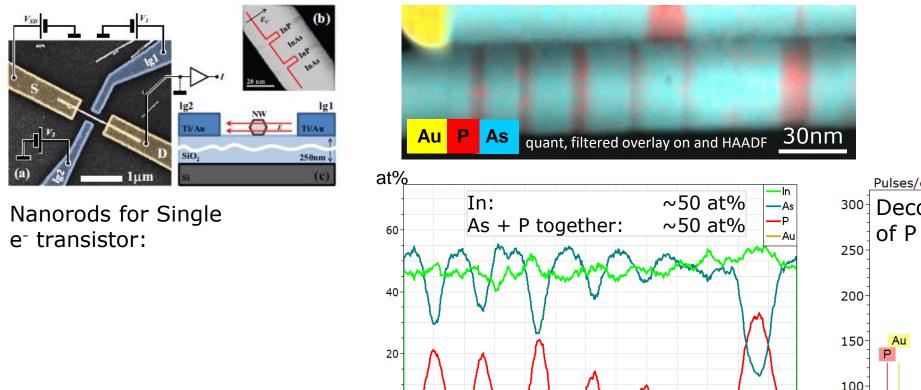
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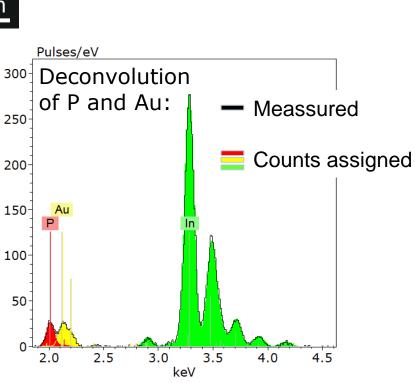


ED(X)S With 30mm² Standard EDS Detectors Using Standard STEM; Collection Angle: ~0.1sr; Cliff-Lorimer Quantification





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Courtesy: Specimen provided by Daniele Ercolani, Lucia Sorba et al.

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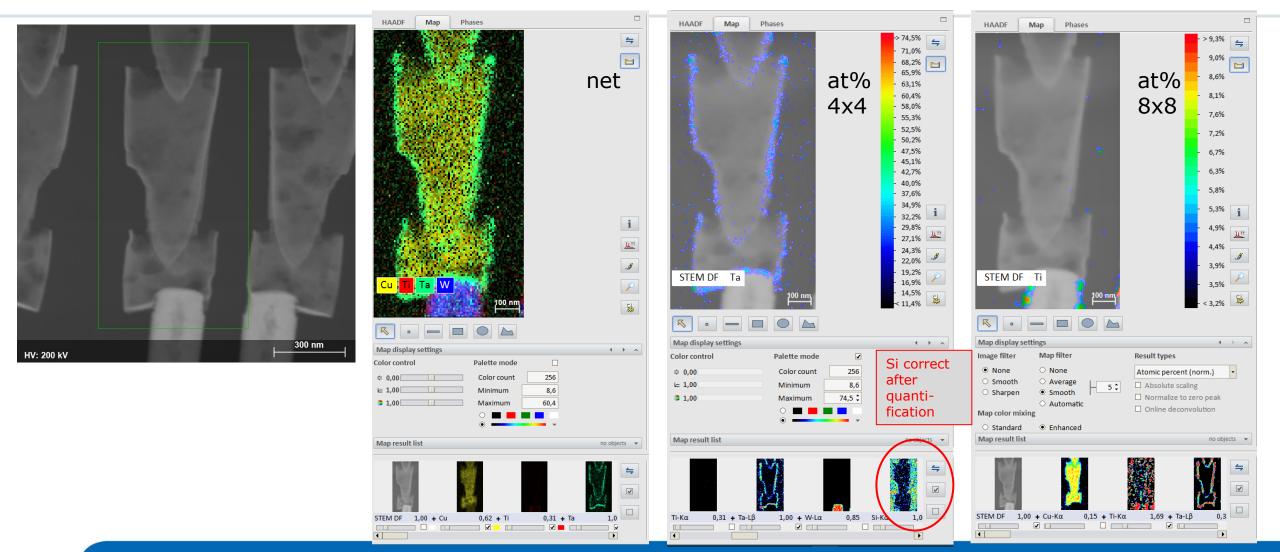
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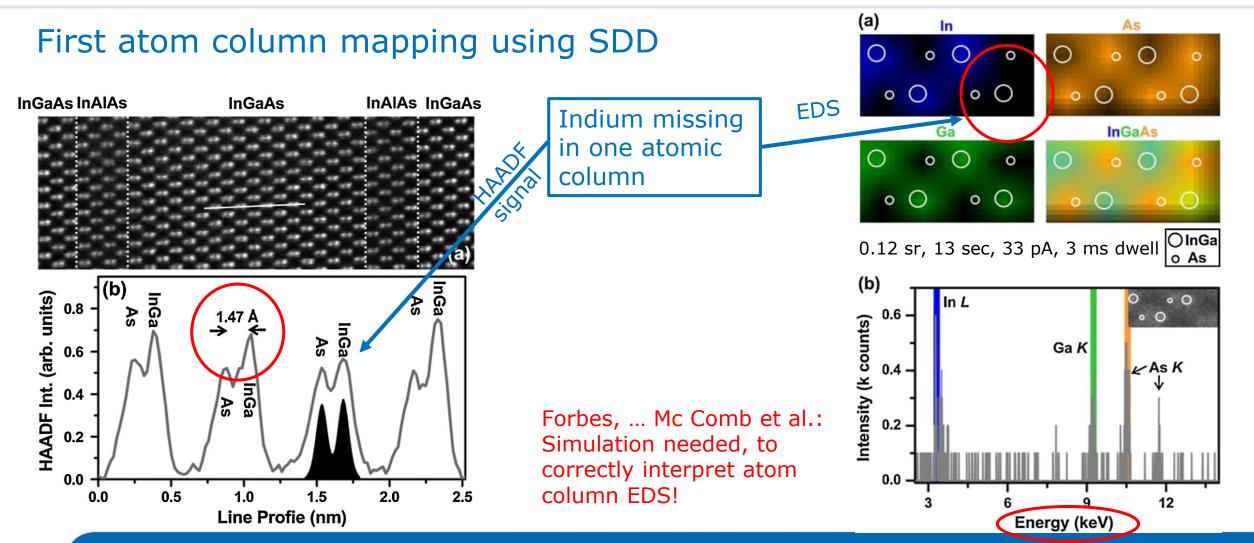




Courtesy: Specimen provided by Synergie4

ED(X)S With 30mm² Standard EDS Detectors Using Cs-corrected STEM; Collection Angle: ~0.1sr





M. W. Chu et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 196101 (2010)

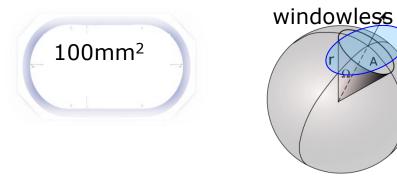
100 mm² Oval Detector Area, Windowless: XFlash®T 100 oval



EDXS from 0.4 sr to 0.7 sr depending on geometry. This is the real solid angle for a flat SDD (see wiki below).

Wrong: $100 \text{ mm}^2 / (10.5 \text{ mm})^2 = 0.91 \text{ sr}$; Correct: 0.65 sr

TOA: ~ 13°



wikipedia



Single Atom ID: R. M. Stroud et al., APL **108**, 163101 (2016) open access T. C. Lovejoy et al., APL **100**, 154101 (2012): 30mm², 0.1sr

R. M. Stroud: http://dx.doi.org/10.1063/1.4947002

ED(X)S with 100mm² windowless oval detector area using Cs-corrected STEM; Collection angle: ~ 0.4sr Raw data, acquisition time 24min

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MAG: 320kx HV: 200 kV Px: 0 nm

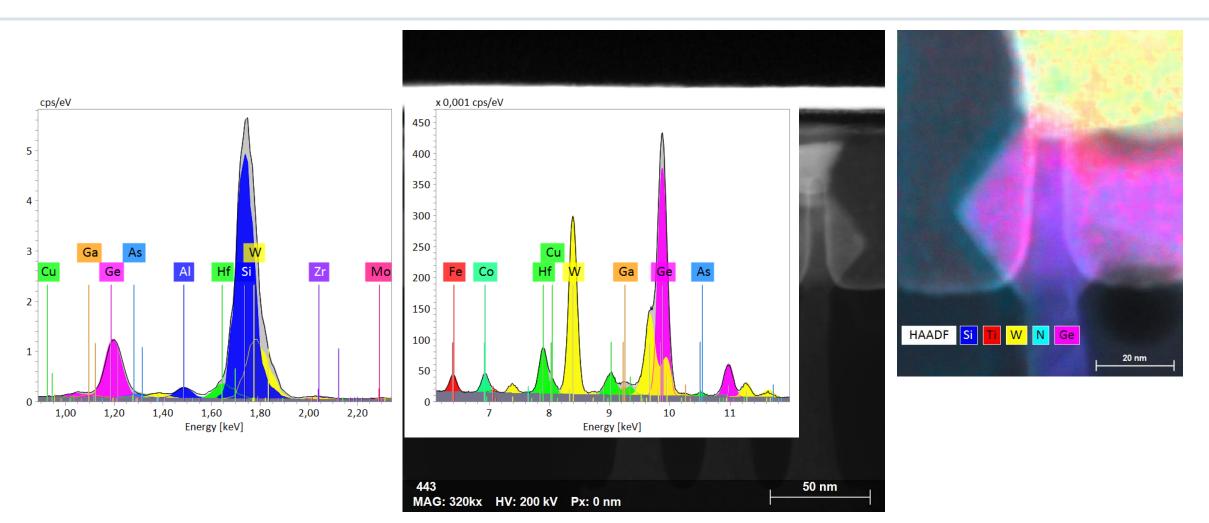


HAADF Si 20 nm

50 nm

TFS Titan 80-300 with Bruker XFlash[®]T 100 oval EDS detector at ACE.

ED(X)S with 100mm² windowless oval detector area using Cs-corrected STEM; Collection angle: ~ 0.4sr Raw data, acquisition time 24min

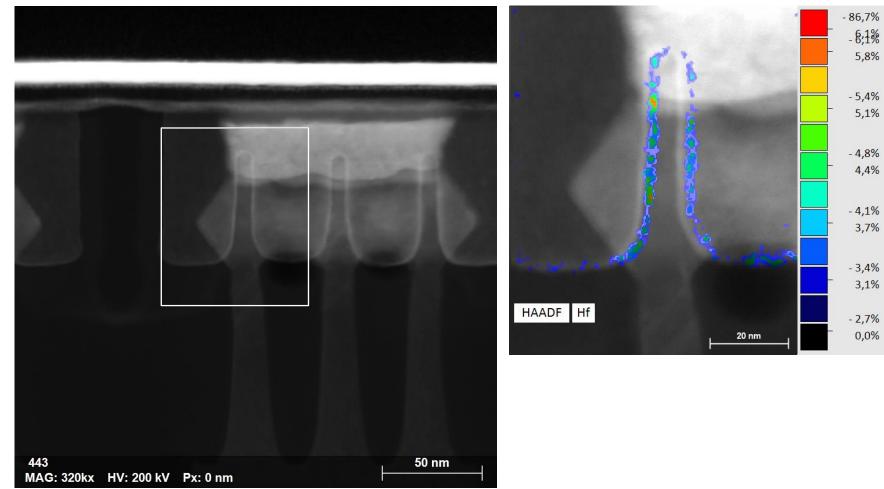


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ED(X)S with 100mm² windowless oval detector area using Cs-corrected STEM; Collection angle: ~ 0.4sr Cliff-Lorimer Quantification: at%



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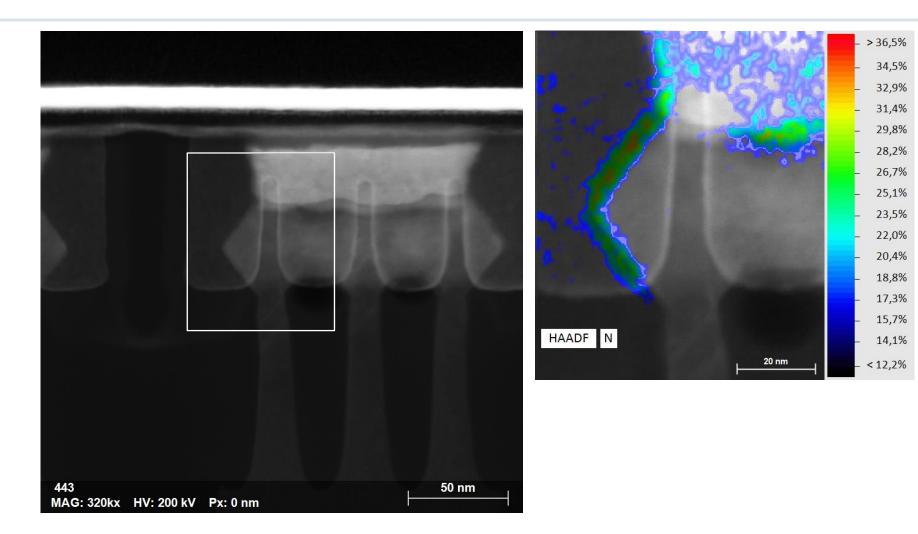
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ED(X)S with 100mm² windowless oval detector area using Cs-corrected STEM; Collection angle: ~ 0.4sr Cliff-Lorimer Quantification: at%



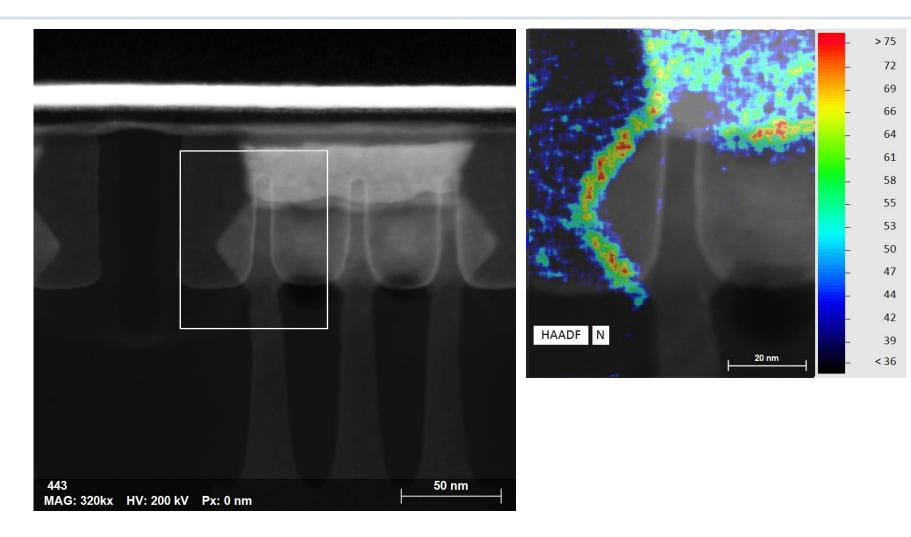
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ED(X)S with 100mm² windowless oval detector area using Cs-corrected STEM; Collection angle: ~ 0.4sr Raw data, acquisition time 24min, arbitr. units scaled to 100



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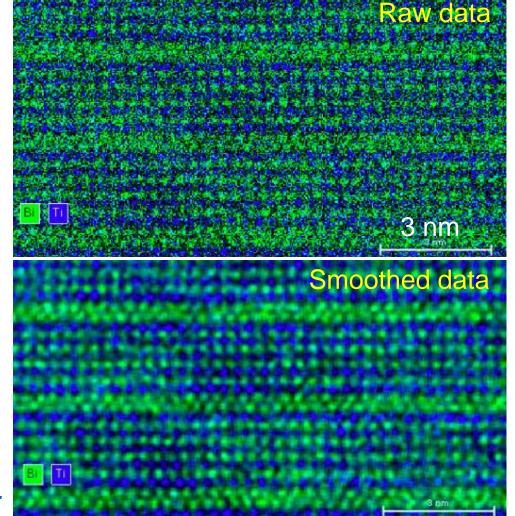
EDXS with 100 mm² windowless oval detector area; Nion UltraSTEM, Cs-corrected, high brightness source (CFEG); ~0.7sr



NRL UltraSTEM200 with Bruker XFlash®T 100 oval EDS detector @ 200 kV.

Individua atom columns can be identified.

Specimen: Bi₆Ti_xFe_yMn_zO₁₈ See: "Direct atomic scale determination of magnetic ion partition in a room temperature multiferroic material", by L. Keeney et al.



TCD (Trinity College Dublin) Nion UltraSTEM200XE 200 kV with Bruker 100 mm² XFlash SD detector, 100 mm² windowless SDD; 0.7 sr collection angle.

432x225 pixels, 4.1 msec/pix => 400 sec for map.

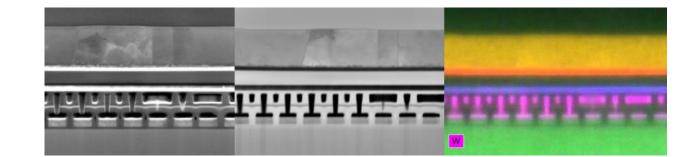
No drift correction. Bi = green, Ti = blue.

courtesy Lynette Keeney, Clive Downing and Valeria Nicolosi. TCD, Ireland.

Atom column EDS needs simulation for correct interpretation B. D. Forbes et al., PHYSICAL REVIEW B **86**, 024108 (2012)

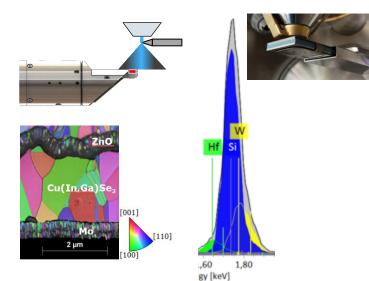
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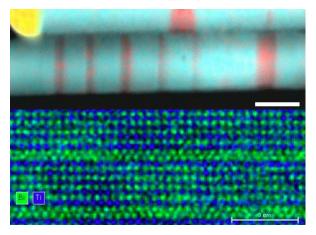






- SEM/FIB are valuable tools for the investigation of semiconductor lamellae using EDS > T-SEM.
- High collection angles and thus fast precise analysis can be achieved with the annular high solid angle XFlash[®] FlatQUAD detector.
- T-SEM invites for the combination with diffraction techniques, such as TKD, and with micro-XRF.
- Quantitative element analysis with EDS is possible via the relative Cliff-Lorimer and the absolute Zeta-factor method, also for SEMtypical voltages and specimens of considerable thickness.
- Few nm-resolution can be achieved routinely in standard STEM EDS, even with small detector areas (30mm2) at high collection angles.
- The combination of electron source type, Cs-correction and EDS geometry in STEM defines the availability of atomic resolution.

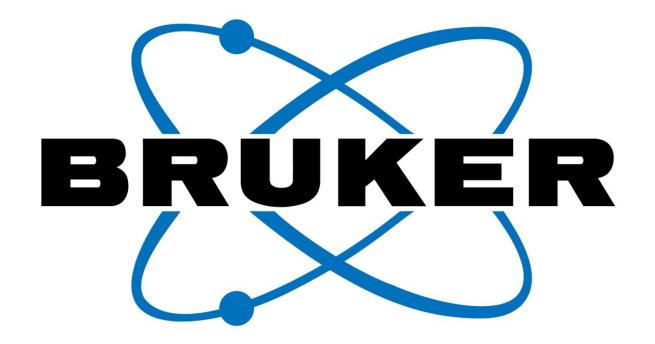






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