



# **WP PWIE SPA3 (2021): KIPT D004: Investigation of advanced materials under ELM-like/ disruption transient loading and subsequent analysis**

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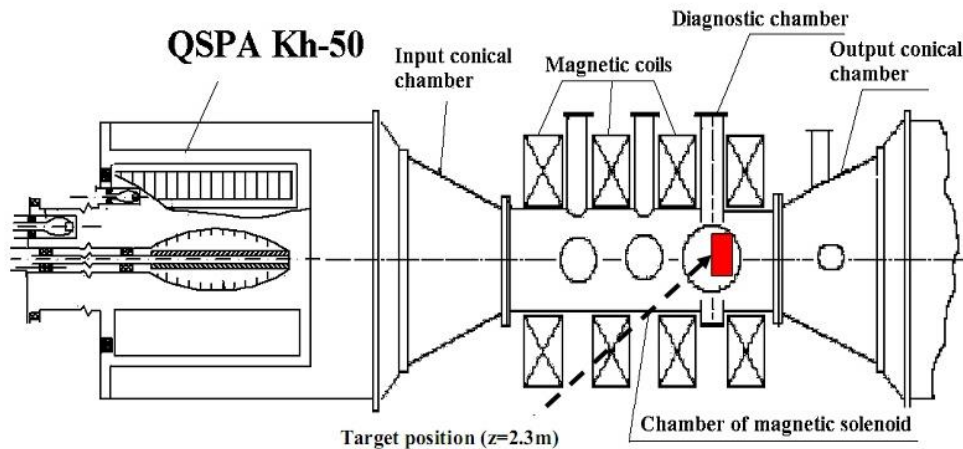


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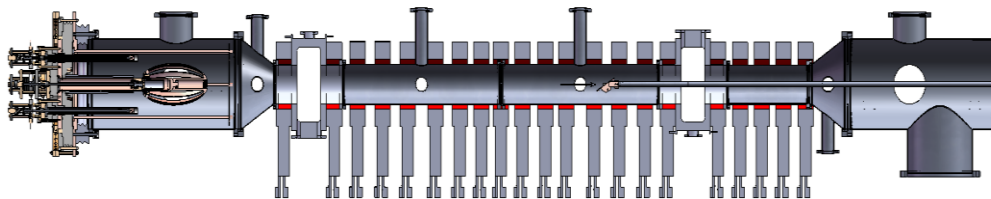
# Experimental facilities: QSPA Kh-50; QSPA-M



<b>Plasma energy density</b>	<b>0.1–2.2 MJ/m<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Plasma load duration</b>	<b>0.25 ms</b>
<b>Diameter of plasma stream</b>	<b>15 cm</b>

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## QSPA-M



<b>Plasma energy density</b>	<b>0.1-1 MJ/m<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Plasma load duration</b>	<b>0.1 ms</b>
<b>External magnetic field</b>	<b>0.8 T</b>
<b>Diameter of plasma stream</b>	<b>6 cm</b>

## Diagnostics

- ❖ Calorimetry
- ❖ Optical emission spectroscopy
- ❖ High-speed digital camera PCO AG

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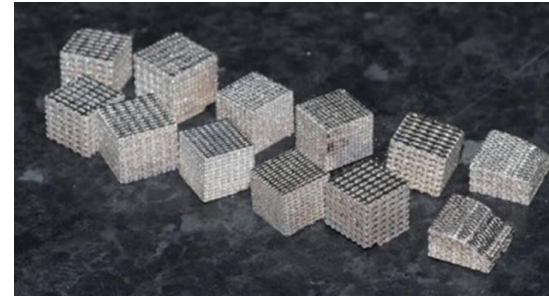
### **Tasks of KIPT from PEP to be performed in 2021/2022**

- Plasma qualification of new materials (WPMAT) and components (WP DIV) for DEMO: Thermal shock and plasma synergistic loading of advanced material including exposures in Magnum-PSI (KIPT, DIFFER, FZJ)
- Exposure in plasma devices to study the interplay of recovery, recrystallization, plasma and ELM-like loading on surface cracking and fatigue lifetime (FZJ, KIPT, DIFFER)



Latticing AM W/WTa samples (WP DIV) exposed within QSPA Kh-50 in 2020

	Sample origin
Lattice W Ta L6 <b>Not polished</b>	CCFE <sub>x</sub> 4
	CCFE <sub>x</sub> 4
	CCFE <sub>x</sub> 4
Lattice W Ta L6 <b>Polished</b>	CCFE <sub>x</sub> 4
	CCFE <sub>x</sub> 4
	CCFE <sub>x</sub> 4
Lattice W L6 <b>Polished</b>	IPP <sub>x</sub> 4
Solid W <b>Not polished</b>	IPP <sub>x</sub> 2, CCFE <sub>x</sub> 2
	IPP <sub>x</sub> 2, CCFE <sub>x</sub> 2



- SEM images was received for all exposed samples
- Other Post-mortem analyses will be performed in CCFE (delay due to COVID influence)

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- Plasma qualification of new materials (WPMAT) and components (WP DIV) for DEMO: delay till delivered of samples
- The 12 polished samples of the IGP W material with transversal grain orientation were provided by Marius Wirtz as link between WP MAT at august 2021.

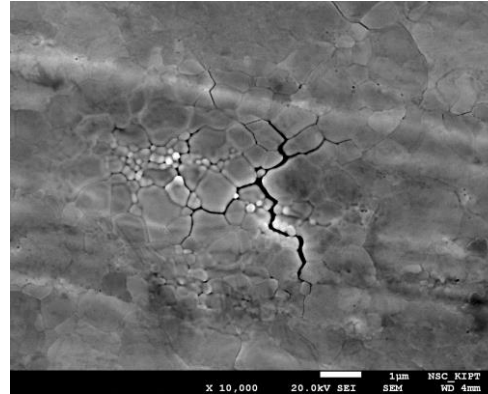
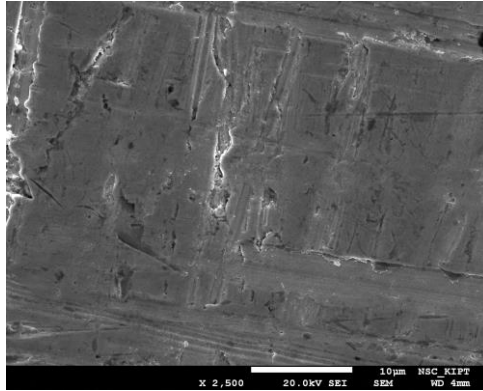


- Samples of large (up to  $20 \times 170 \times 160 \text{ mm}^3$ ) profiled tungsten single crystals produced by means of plasma-induction growing technology at E.O. Paton Electric Welding Institute, Kyiv Ukraine were irradiated by 10 plasma pulses.
- Heat loads were chosen below ( $0.45 \text{ MJ/m}^2$ ) and above ( $0.75 \text{ MJ/m}^2$ ) tungsten melting threshold.
- Base temperature was  $T_{\text{base}} = 400^\circ\text{C}$



## SEM images: samples before (left) and after (right) plasma irradiation

heat load  
below  $W$   
melting  
threshold



- Cracks, separation of particles are observed on the exposed surfaces

heat load  
above  $W$   
melting  
threshold

