



SP B.1 - Influence of dust impacts on W coatings.

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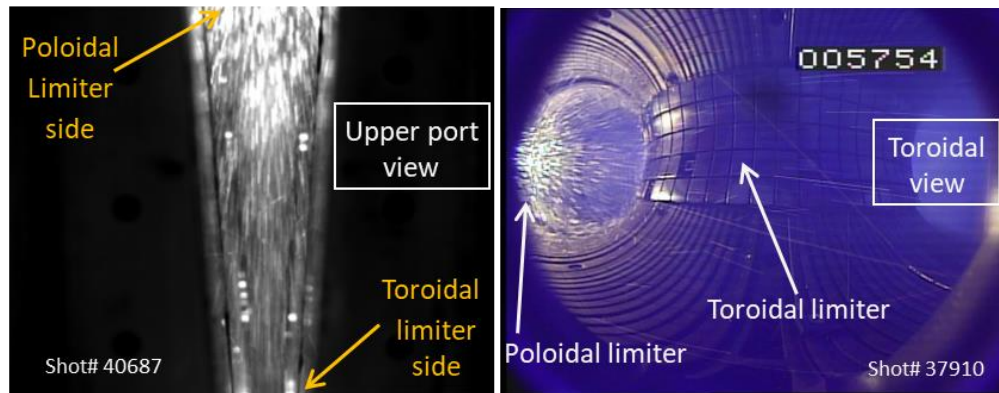


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Background

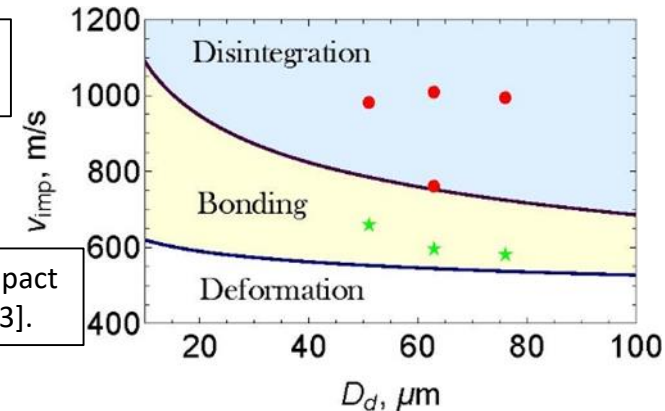


- Fast dust impact has been observed in tokamaks during explosion-like events due to REs striking on PFCs (FTU, $v_i \sim 800 \text{ m/s}$ [1], COMPASS [2], DIII-D [2]);
- In new devices (i.e. ITER & DEMO) are expected higher dust ejection kinetic energies.



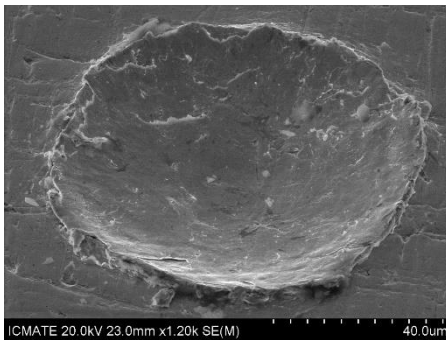
Explosion-like events in FTU.

W-on-W impact diagram [3].

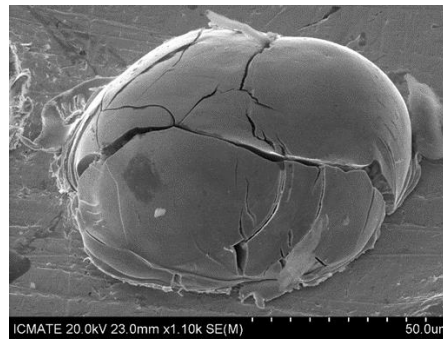


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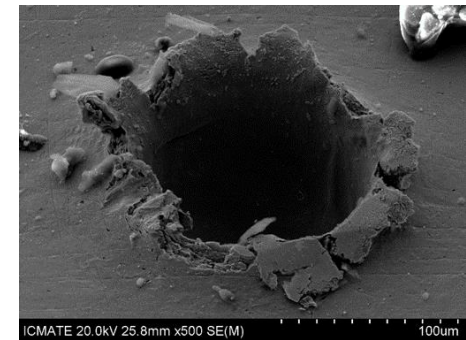
- Identified three impact regimes [3]; in the case of W dust on W target without coatings:



Deformation regime,
200 ÷ 600 m/s → shallow crater formation.



Bonding or cold spray regime,
600 ÷ 1000 m/s → sticking of dust on target.



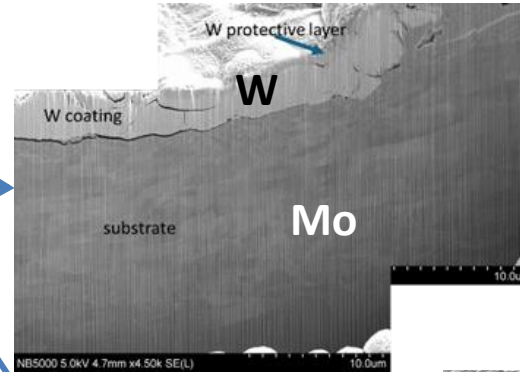
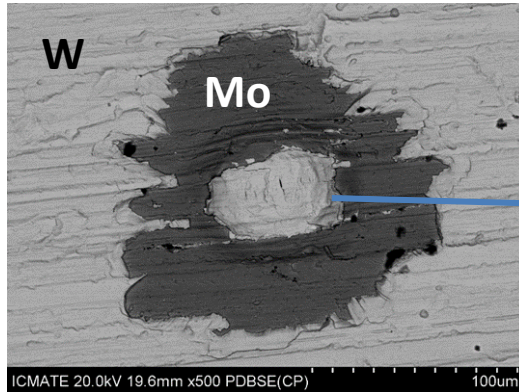
Partial disintegration regime,
1 ÷ 4 km/s → material splash ejection and partial fragmentation.

5 μ m W-O on Mo substrate (from IAP)



5 μ m W-O (15 at%) coating on Mo substrate, provided by IAP, shot with 70 μ m Mo dust.

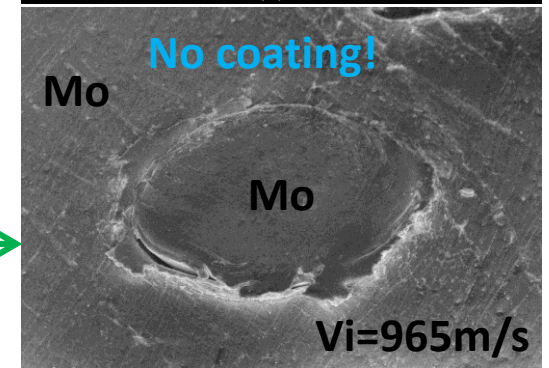
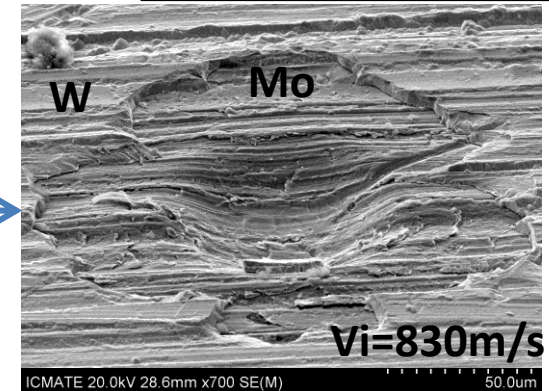
BSE image of a crater from IAP26 sample (Vi=830m/s).



FIB Cross-section image of the bottom of a crater on IAP26 sample (Vi=830m/s).
Analysis provided by IPPLM.

Tilted SEM images craters from samples IAP26 (Vi=830m/s) and polished back side of a IAP sample (Vi=965m/s).

Sample #	Dust velocity, m/s	Average craters depth, μ m	Impact regime
IAP26	830	+15.6 \pm 1.5	deformation
IAP2	1014	+20.2 \pm 1.6	deformation
IAP8	1244	+26.5 \pm 2.2	disintegration
IAP9	1543	+34.7 \pm 3.4	disintegration
IAP10	2066	+49.1 \pm 2.1	disintegration
IAP27	3278	+76.8 \pm 3.9	disintegration
<u>No coating</u>	965	-23.1 \pm 6.9	Bounding!



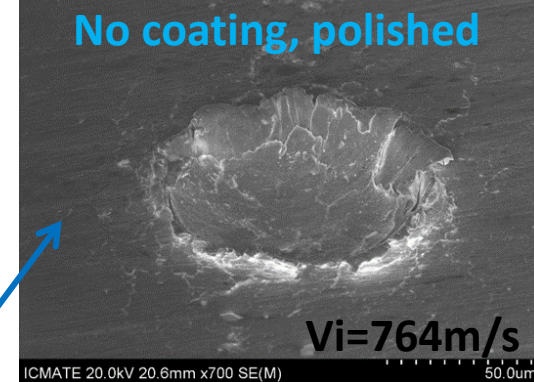
The bounding impact regime is disappeared on coated samples!

1 μ m W-O on W substrate (from ENEA-PoliMi)



1 μ m W-O (15 at%) amorph. coating on W sub., from ENEA, shot with 63 μ m W dust.

Sample #	Dust velocity, m/s	Average depth, μ m	Impact regime
ENEA1016A	575	+8.9 \pm 0.7	deformation
ENEA1017B	648	+11.3 \pm 1.2	deformation
ENEA1017A	695	+12.3 \pm 1.7	deformation
ENEA1015A	772	+14.3 \pm 1.3	deformation
ENEA1015B	749	+14.0 \pm 1.0	deformation
1016A-bis	886	+18.5 \pm 1.7	deformation
1017B-bis	1008	+22.7 \pm 3.7	deformation
ENEA1016B	1464	+36.3 \pm 3.9	disintegration
Back side (*)	773	-	deformation
<u>Polished back side</u>	764	+14.4 \pm 1.5	~72% deformation
		-28.3 \pm 3.1	~28% bounding
<u>Polished back side</u>	927	-18.6 \pm 3.9	~100% Bounding!



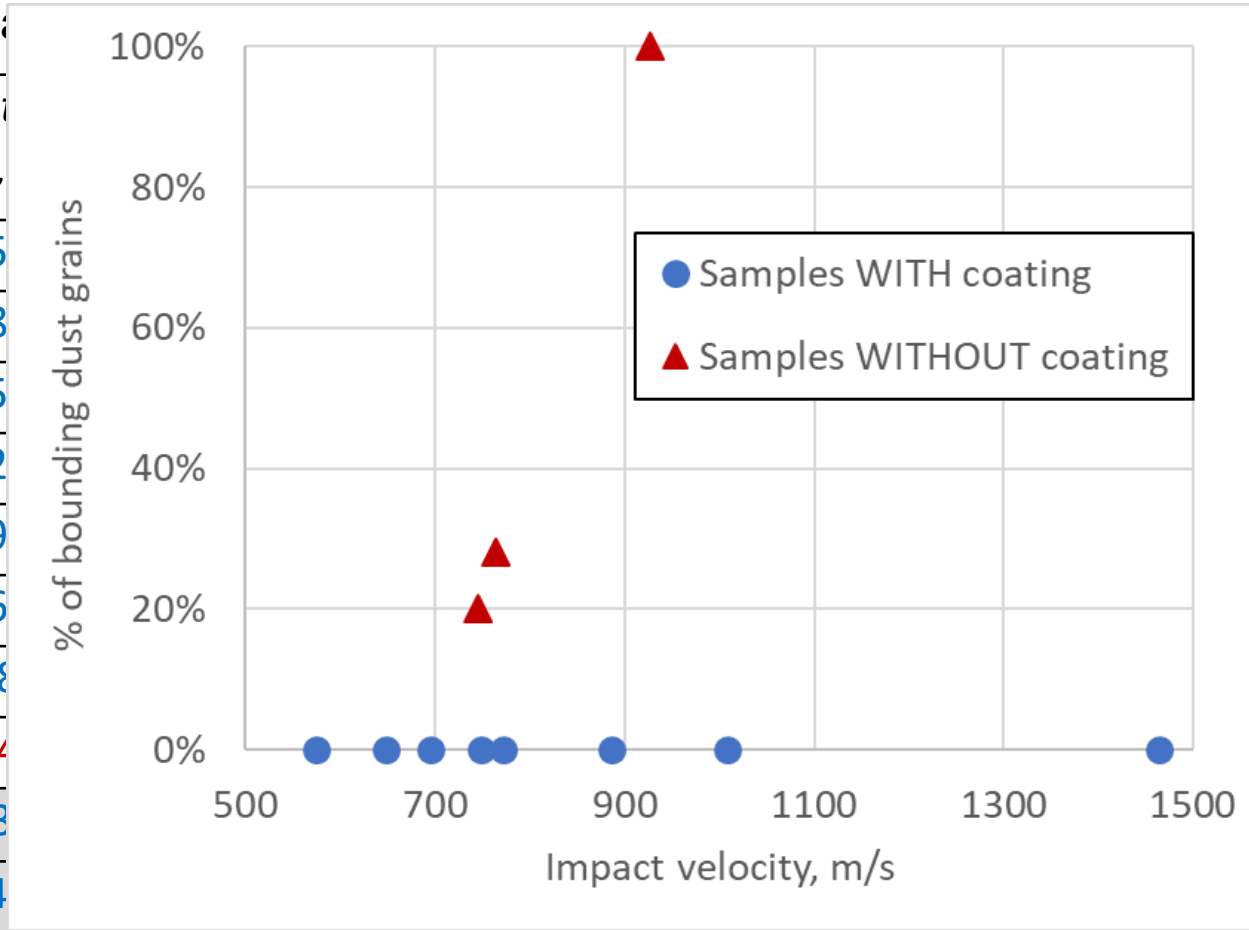
(*) Unpolished surface covered by "oxidation layer of W and mixture with Cu" (FZJ private communication).

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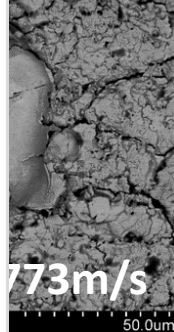
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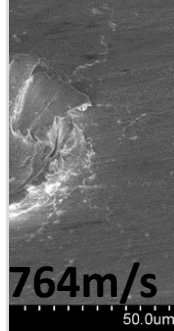


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The boundary impact regime is disappeared on coated samples!

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Bounding vs coating thickness (ENEA-CNR)

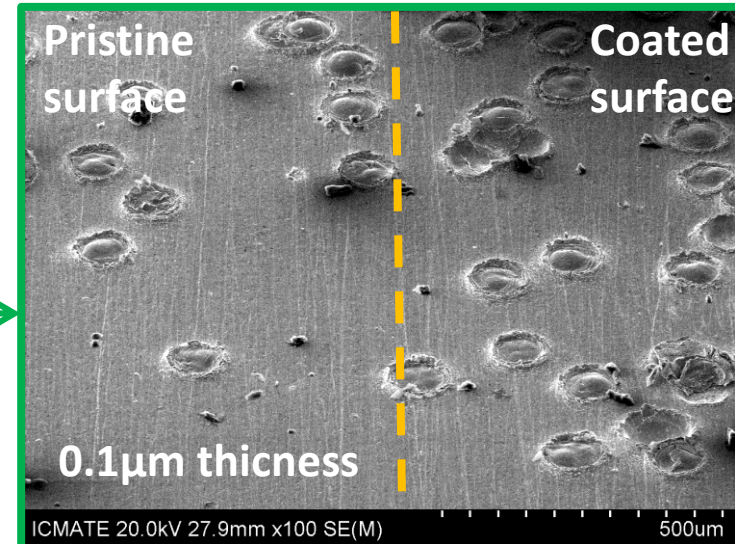
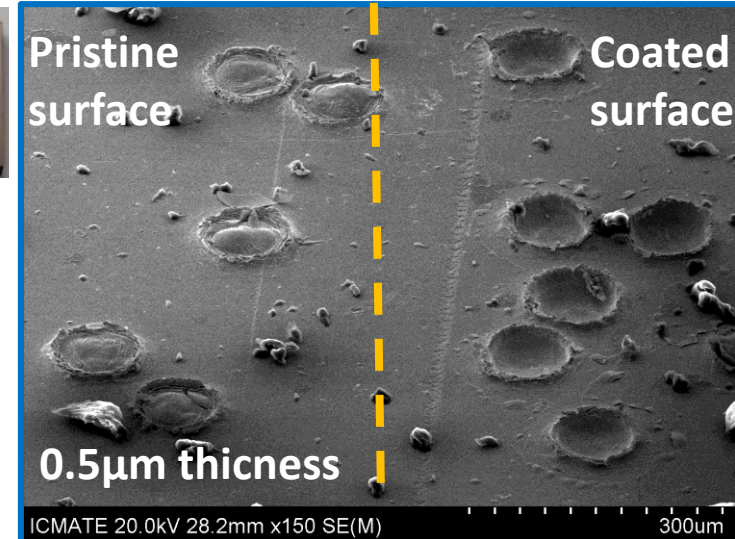


Dust bouncing vs W coating thickness on W substrate (ENEA-CNR samples produced by RF magnetron sputtering technique), shot with $63\mu\text{m}$ W dust at $V_i=990\div 1037$ m/s.



- Samples surface were semi masked;
- Bounding starts for W coating thickness $<300\text{nm}$;
- Bounding is independent from W coating density.

Sample	Codeposit thickness, μm	Codep. W density, g/cm^3	Impact regime
CNR1	1.0	11.75 ± 0.38	deformation
CNR2	0.5	11.75 ± 0.38	deformation
CNR3	0.25	11.75 ± 0.38	$\sim 70\%$ bounding
CNR4	0.1	11.75 ± 0.38	$\sim 90\%$ bounding
CNR5	0.5	9.0 ± 0.19	deformation
CNR6	0.5	17.86 ± 0.58	deformation

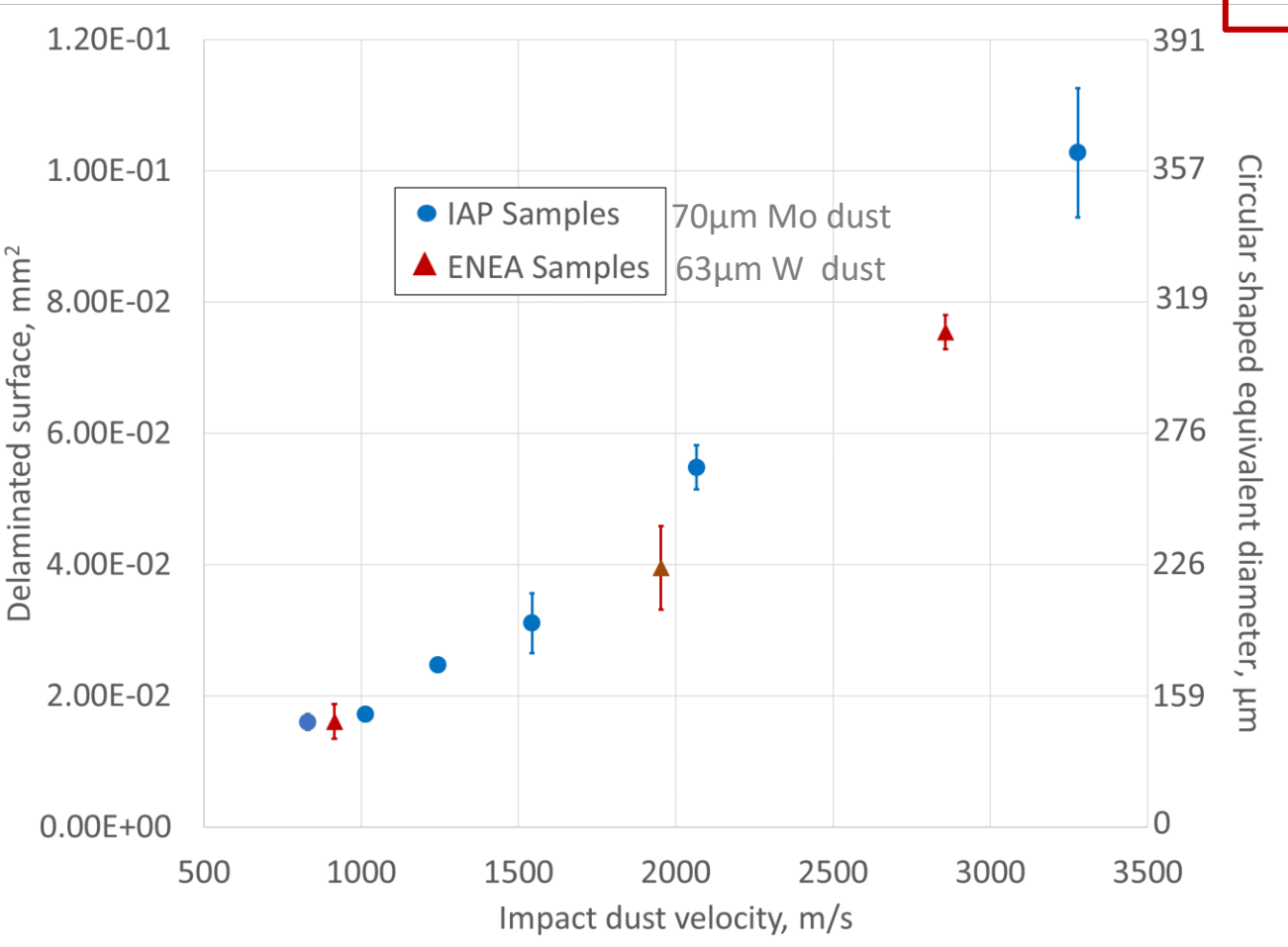
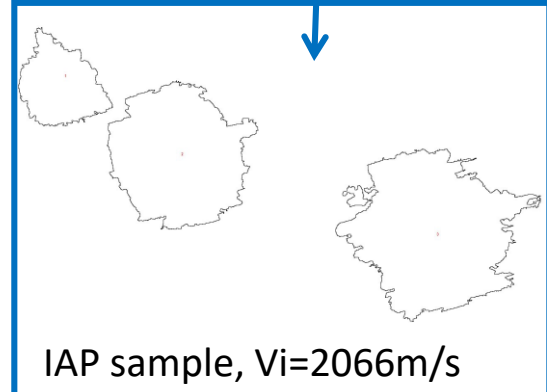
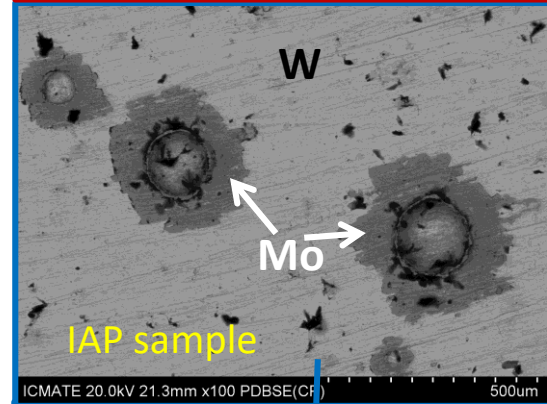
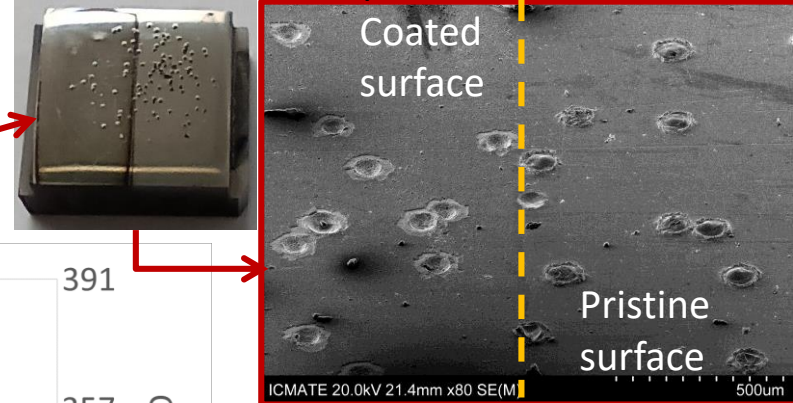


Delamination area vs dust impact velocity



Evaluation of delaminated area on coated samples provided by IAP (5 μ m W-O on Mo) and new ENEA-PoliMi (5 μ m W-O on W) semi-masked vs dust impact velocity.

ENEA-PoliMi sample shot at $V_i=915\text{m/s}$





Preliminary conclusions:

- ✓ The presence of coatings and/or thick oxidation layers on samples surface **inhibits the bounding impact regime** of impinging dust;
- ✓ The bounding impact regime is vanishing **even for thin coating layers** (>250nm);
- ✓ Dust impact induces **coating delamination areas bigger than dust dimension**;

“Coating delamination” means “material migration”!

Open issues:

- How will be affected the delamination shape for **oblique impacts** ?
- Does the delaminated surface depend on the **target temperature** ?
- Does the impinging **dust temperature** play any role in the delamination shape ?

How will change the delamination behaviour with B-based coatings (different adhesion force, more fragile, different melting temperature,...) ??

Thank you for your attention!