



# **IFE Materials Response**

## **Z Machine Materials Studies**

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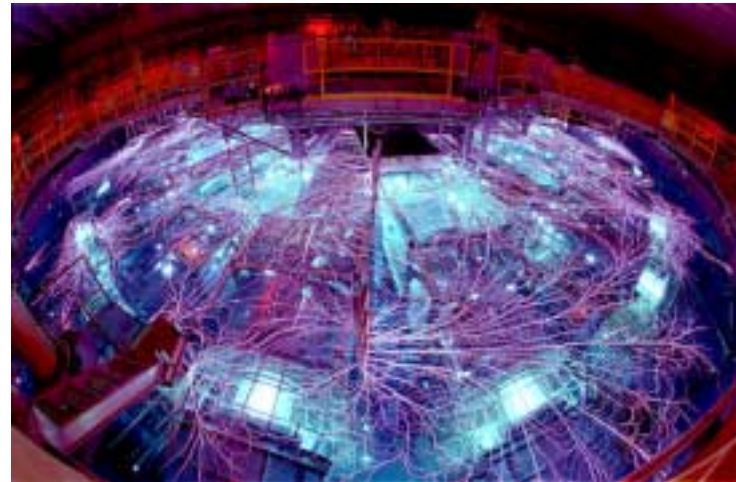




# Z Machine

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- **Capabilities**
  - 65 J/cm<sup>2</sup> of X rays in 20 ns (in present location)
  - Black body Temp. ~ (200 eV)
- **Availability**
  - 1 shot per day
  - Piggy back mode
- **Limitations**
  - Only on shots when allowed
  - Depends on space available
  - Z machine needs to be in right configuration
  - Debris from target area must be mitigated

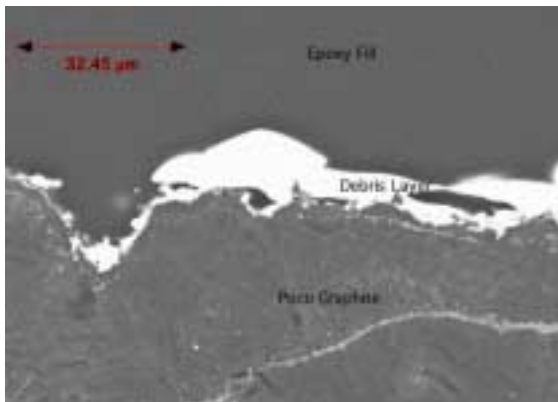




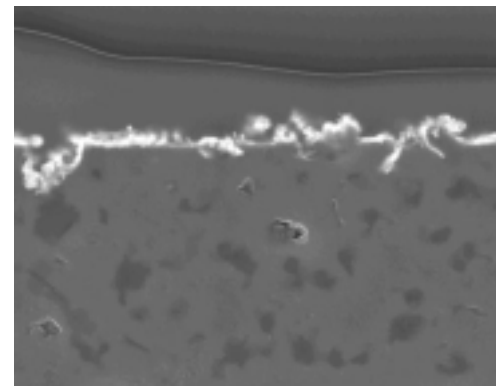
## Debris Issues

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- Z machine generates many X rays, but also debris from molten target material
- Fast valves may be an option, but only on occasional shots
- The MPRS box has significantly reduced the debris, but cannot eliminate it.



No collimation-20  $\mu\text{m}$  debris



With collimation-1  $\mu\text{m}$



# Multipurpose Radiation Box (MPR)

- Stainless steel box
- Inner slide with filter and additional apertures
- Collimation





## Methods of analysis

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- **Surface Profiling**
  - Mechanical-Dektak
  - Optical-WYKO
- **Scanning Electron Microscopy**
  - Flat and cross sectioned samples
  - Measure debris depth of cross section samples
  - Elemental analysis
- **Time-of-Flight Mass Spectroscopy**
  - Depth profiling of debris



## Proposed and tested samples on Z

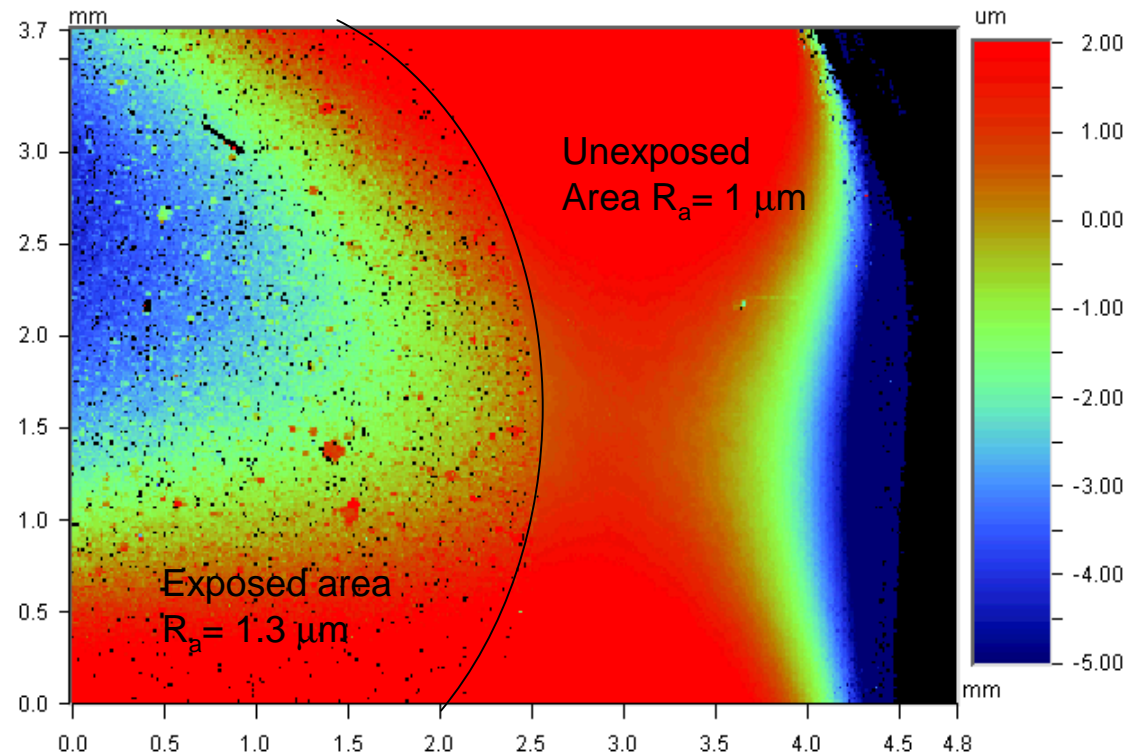
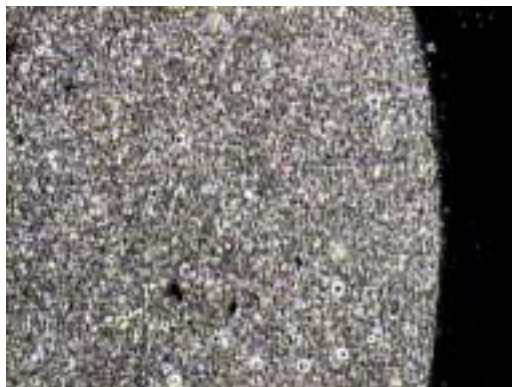
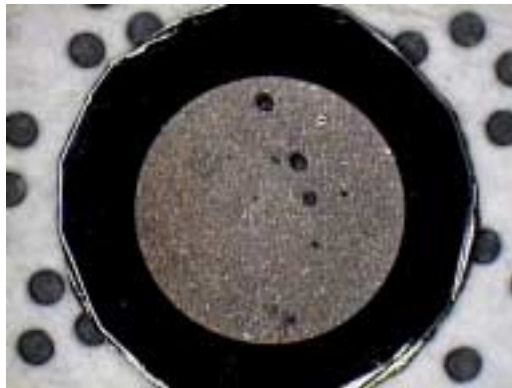
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Material	Fluence	Application
Graphite (Poco)	7 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	Dry wall
Tungsten	~ 7 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	Dry wall
LiF	42 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	Wetted wall surrogate
Carbon velvet	~ 42 J/cm <sup>2</sup>	Dry wall
Silicon Carbide		Dry wall
Carbon Composite		Dry Wall
Silicon wafer		Reference material
Aluminum		Reference material
FLiBe		Wetted wall





# Tungsten



W sample shows pitting, but the surface level is approximately level. Filtered sample.

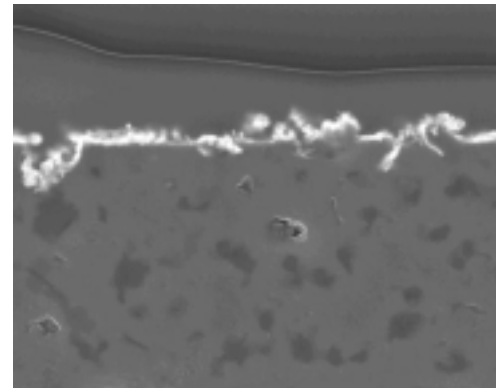




## Poco Graphite

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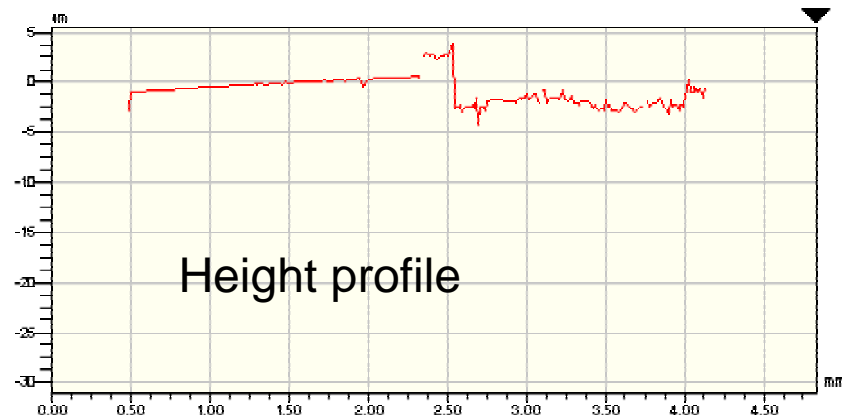
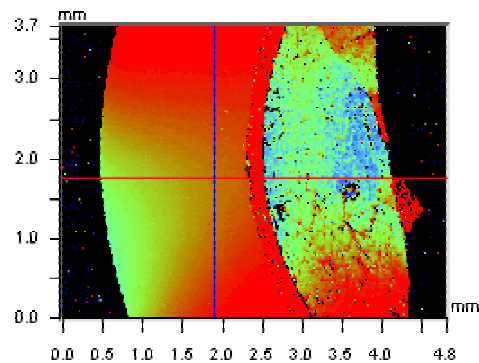
- Poco graphite, polished
  - Exposed in MPR box
  - 2 micron Kimfol + 100Å Al Filter
- Debris layer consists of Fe, Ni, Cu, Al
- No significant level change from ablation, instead 1-2  $\mu\text{m}$  pits developed



SEM shows 1  $\mu\text{m}$  debris



# Lithium Fluoride as a FLiBe substitute

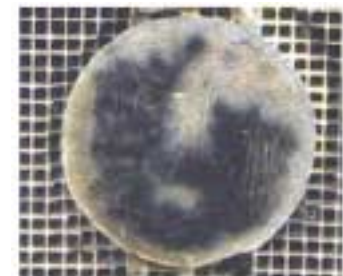
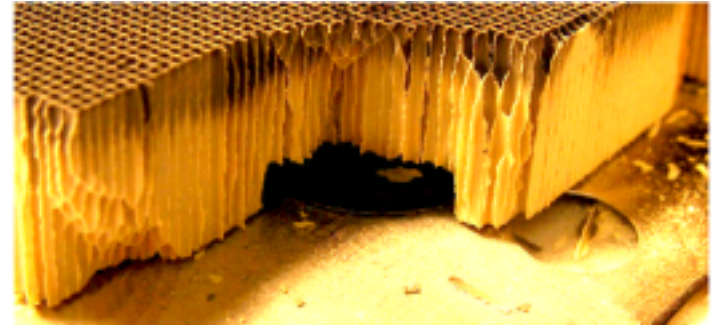


- **LiF vacuum windows**
  - Exposed in MPR box
  - No filters, only collimation
- **Measured 3 micron step between original level and exposed region**
- **Flat ridge of LiF formed around edge of exposed region**



## Carbon velvet and honeycomb collimator

- Honeycomb collimator of Celcor
  - 1mm openings, 25 mm long
  - Aspect ratio similar to MPR box
- Material tested both collimated and open exposures on Z
  - 2 densities of carbon velvet
  - Carbon mirror
  - Epoxy coated Al
- Results
  - Much more velvet left on sample behind collimator
  - Little debris behind collimator
  - honeycomb pattern on all samples behind collimator





## **Future Work**

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- **Adjust flux levels to determine threshold levels**
- **Test more materials**
- **How best to analyze carbon velvet and carbon composite materials?**
- **Fielding molten samples**
- **Start up web site**