

Field Emission and Voltage Breakdown

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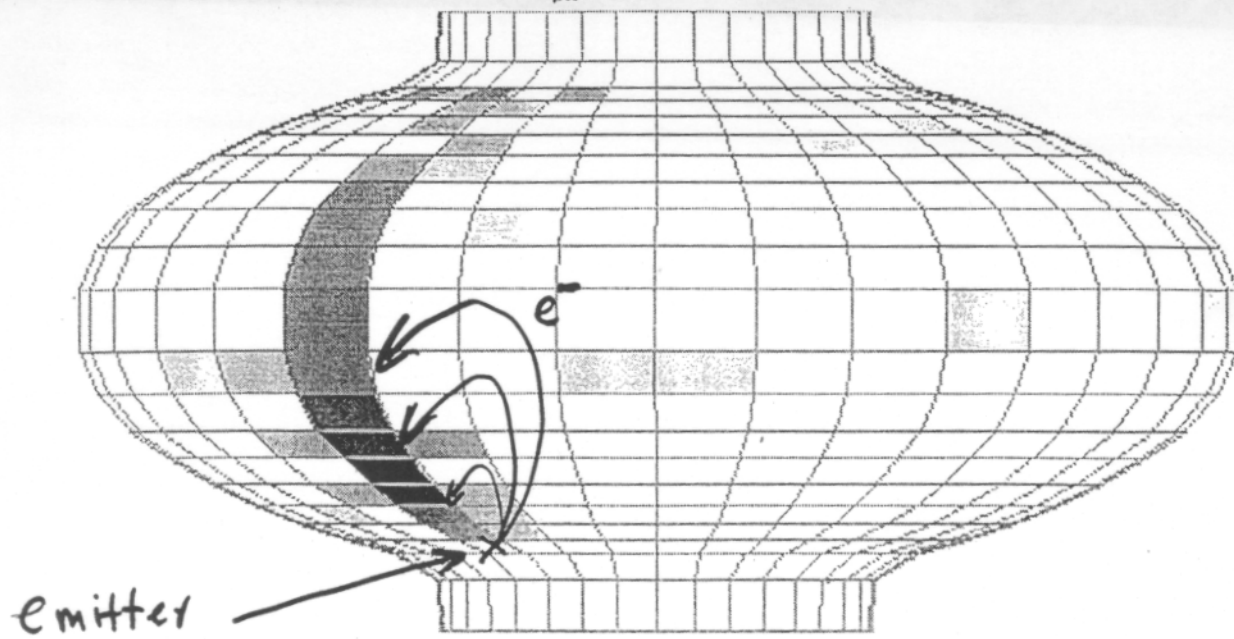
Outline of Two Talks/Today and Tomorrow

- Conclusion
A picture of the evolution from
field emission -> voltage breakdown
- Evidence that field emission sites arise from
microparticle contaminants
RF and DC
Apparatus used to find/analyze emitters
- Evidence that breakdown sites arise from
contaminants
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breakdown sites
- The smoking gun
Intentionally introduced particles that cause
breakdown
RF and DC
- Evidence that gases are involved in breakdown
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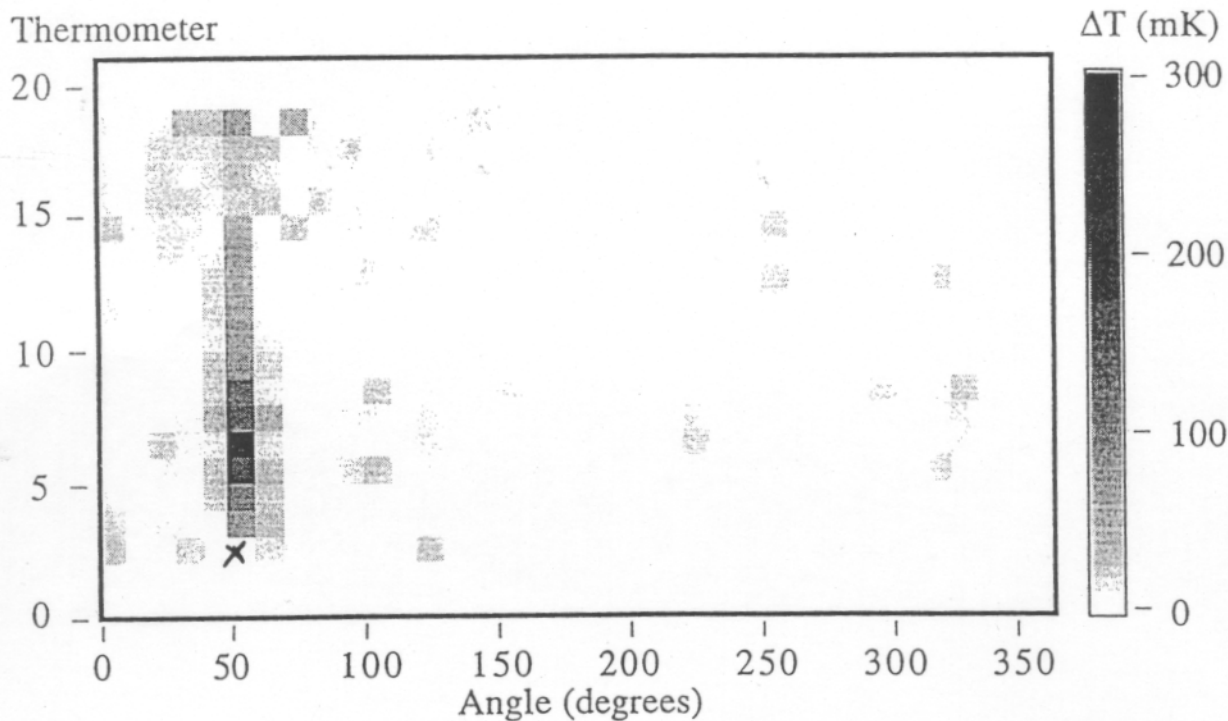
- A numerical simulation of the picture for the evolution of breakdown
Movie in working group?
- More about field emitters
Not all particles are emitters
Role of Microgeometry
Role of condensed gas
- What to do?
Avoid microparticles
Extensive bake to reduce adsorbed layer
Avoid exposure to poor vacuum
=> use windows to isolate accelerating structure vacuum

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$E_{pk} = 17 \text{ MV/m}$



View Angle = 90

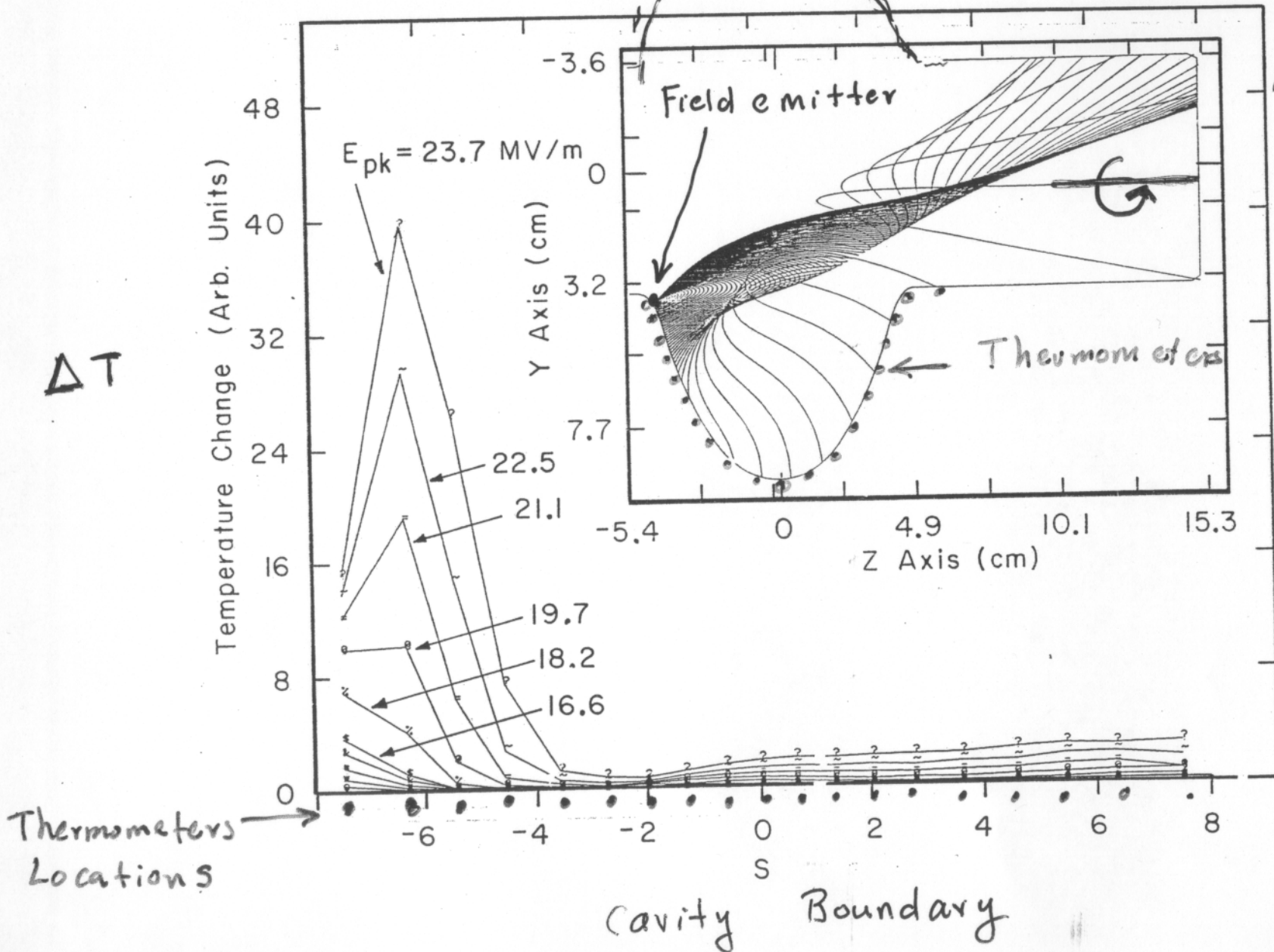


Occasionally it is even possible to detect the presence of the site due to higher rf loss

Field Emission in RF Cavities

Dominant Gradient Limitation

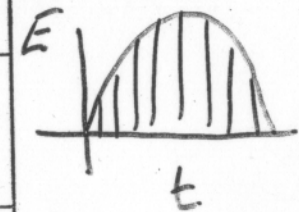
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ΔT

Thermometers
Locations

Cavity Boundary



3 GHz
1.5 GHz

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64

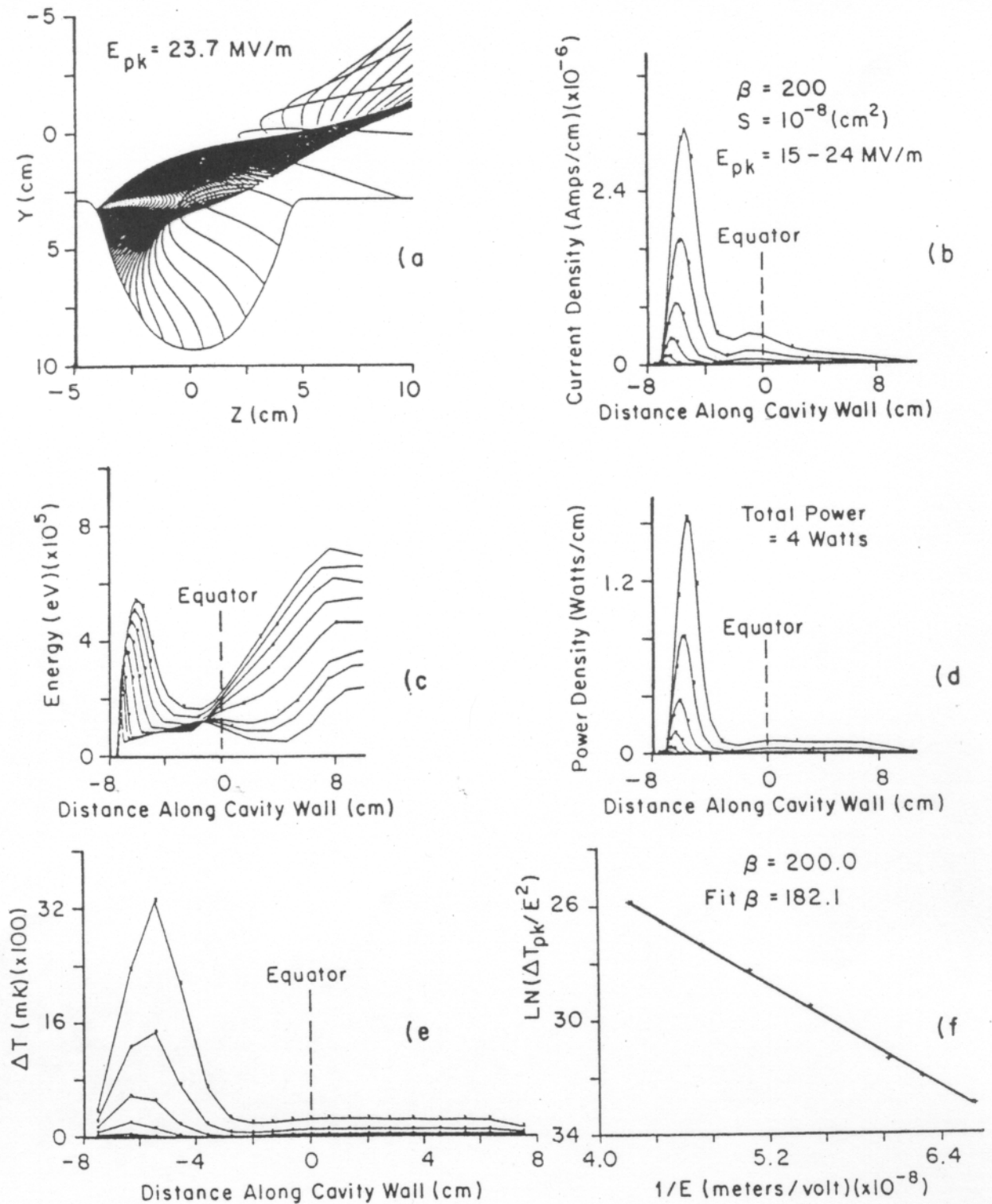


Fig. 41
 Simulation of field emission in an rf cavity.
 (a) Electron trajectories in one rf period from a hypothetical emitter.
 (b) Corresponding impact current density profiles at the highest fields.
 (c) Impact energy profiles.
 (d) Power density profiles.
 (e) Simulated temperature maps (at same azimuth as emitter location).
 (f) Fowler Nordheim plot of peak temperature rise, showing β .

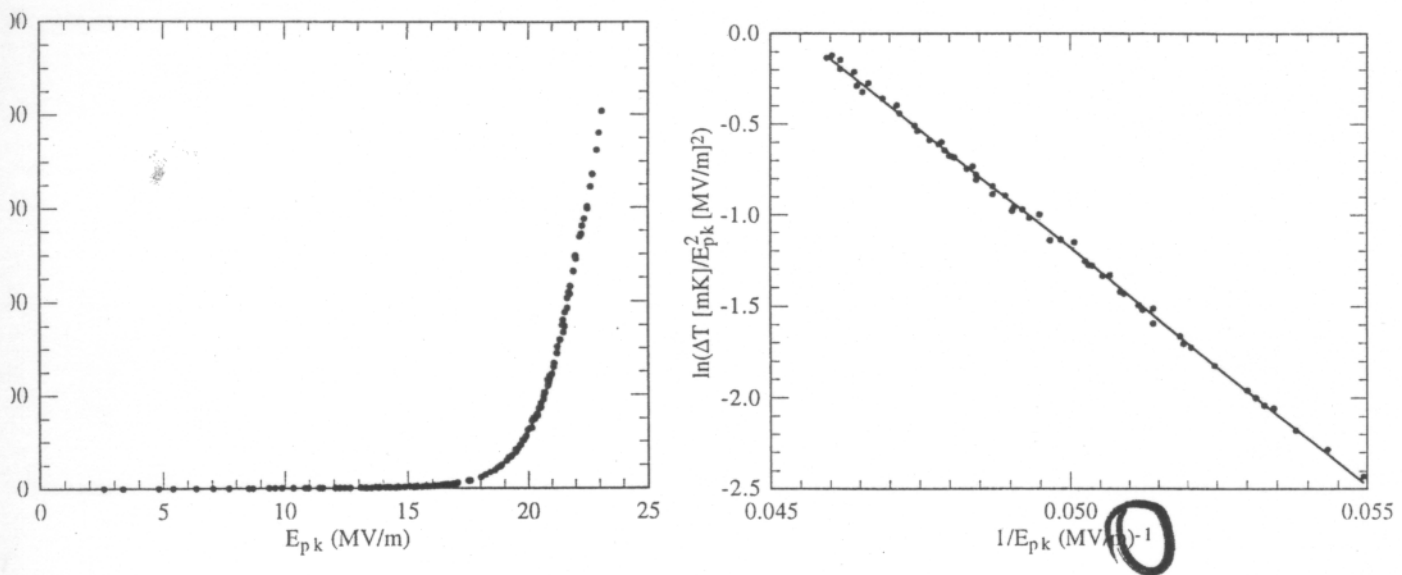
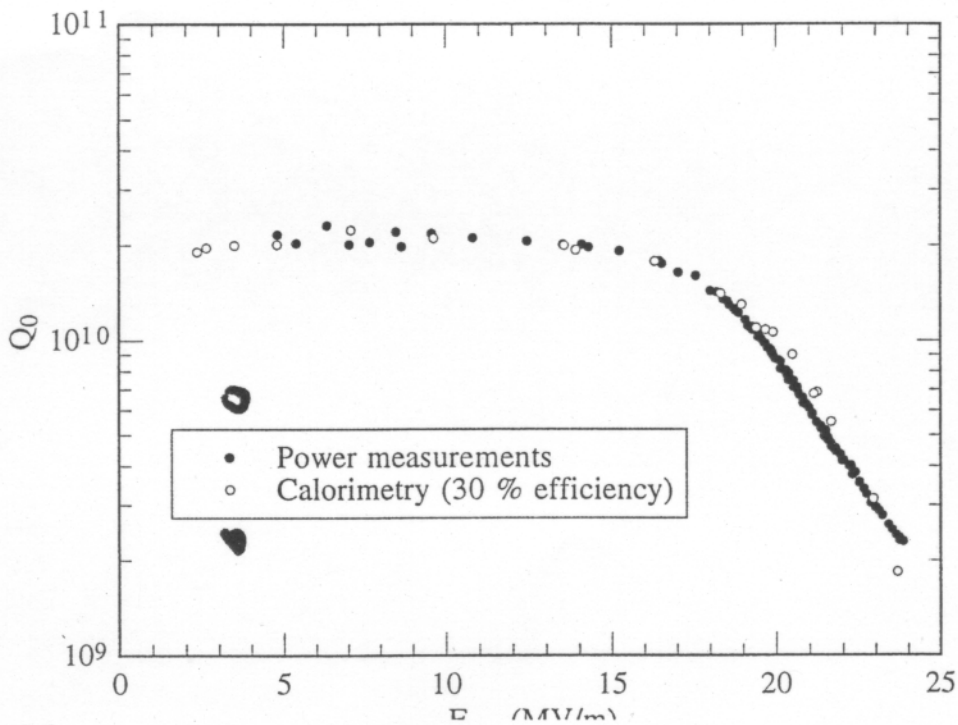
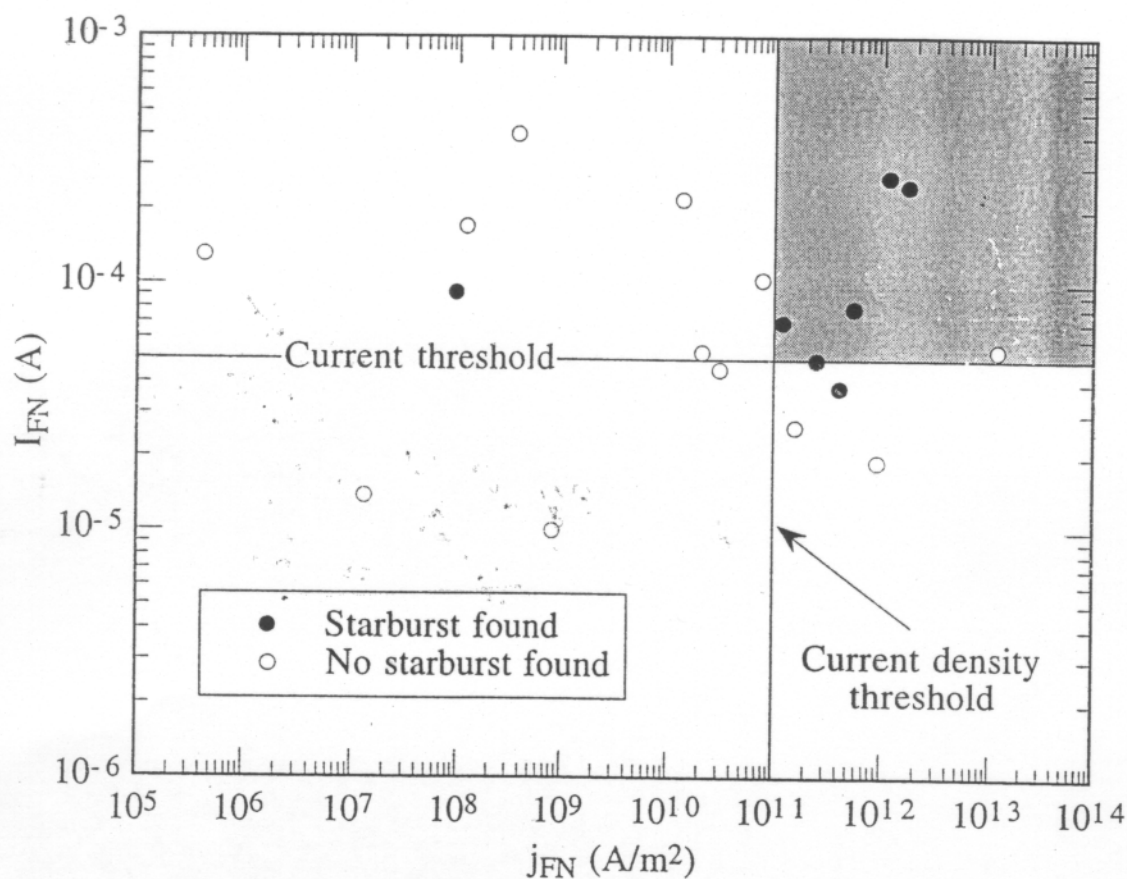


Figure 6.20: (a) Temperature signal of the circled site in Figure 6.19 as a function of E_{pk} . No significant changes in ΔT were observed. (b) Fowler-Nordheim plot of the same temperature data for $E_{pk} = 18$ MV/m.



What kind of emitters
are likely to process?

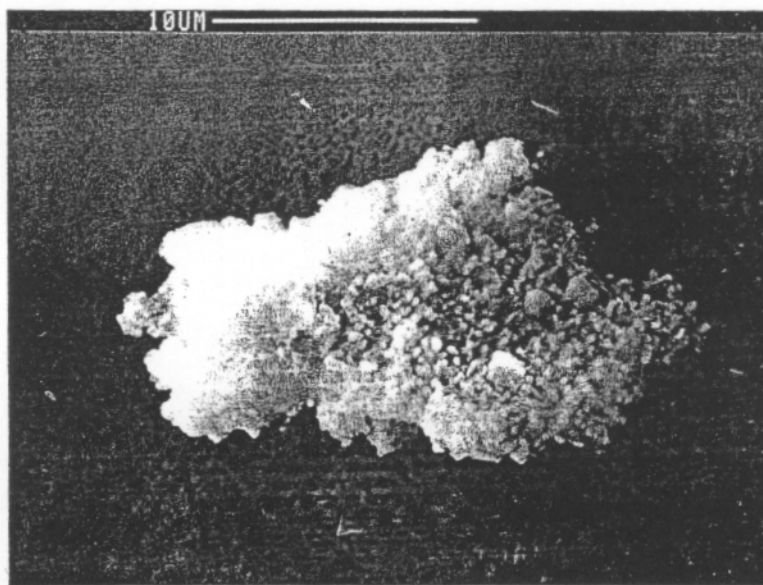


Critical Current Density $\approx 10^{11}$ A/m²

Critical Current $\approx 50-100 \mu\text{A}$

10 μ m
FIELD EMITTER

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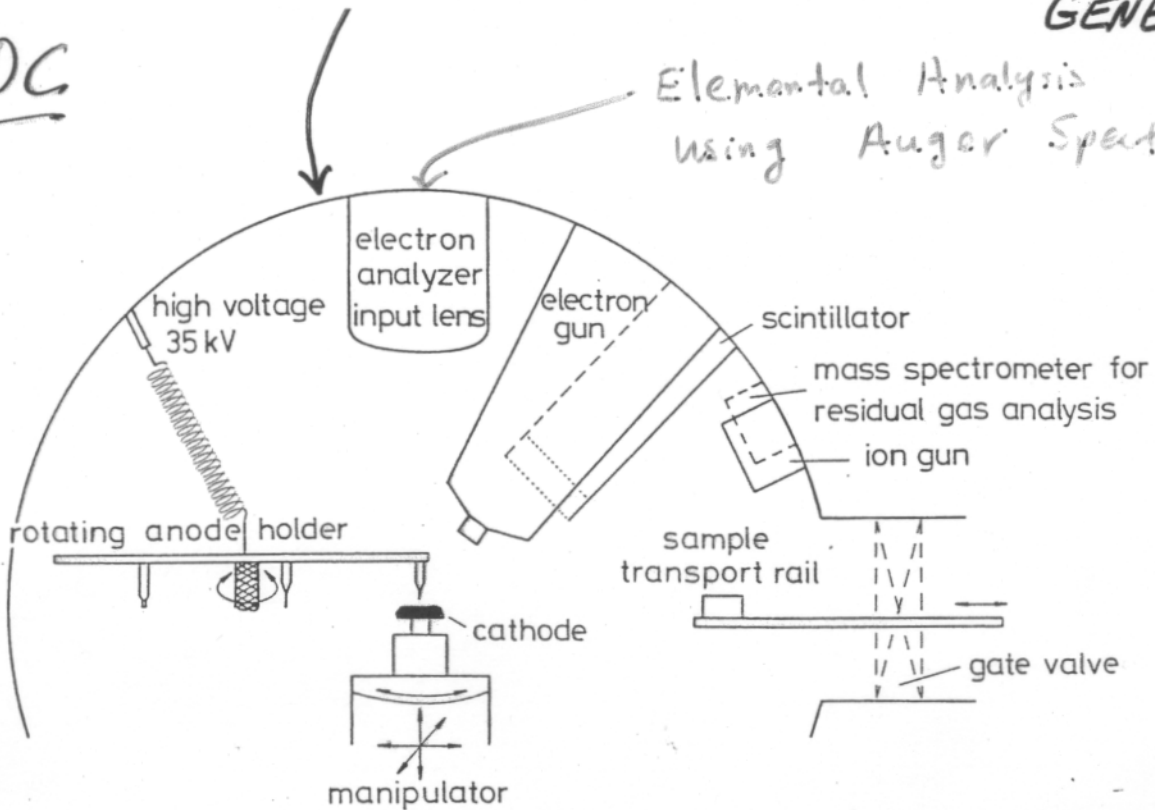
(b) SEM photograph of the site associated with the temperature signals shown in part (a).

Figure 4.25. An example of an SEM located surface site associated with a field emission site which was not processable through HPP.

DC

GENEVA

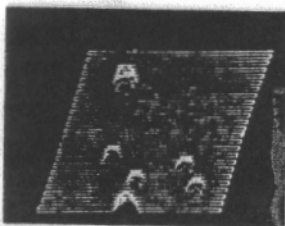
Elemental Analysis
using Auger Spectroscopy.



non-annealed X-Y-Z movement and tilt

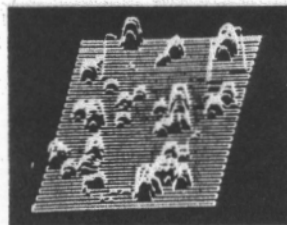
1 cm² sample

50 MV/m



90 MV/m

b)



a

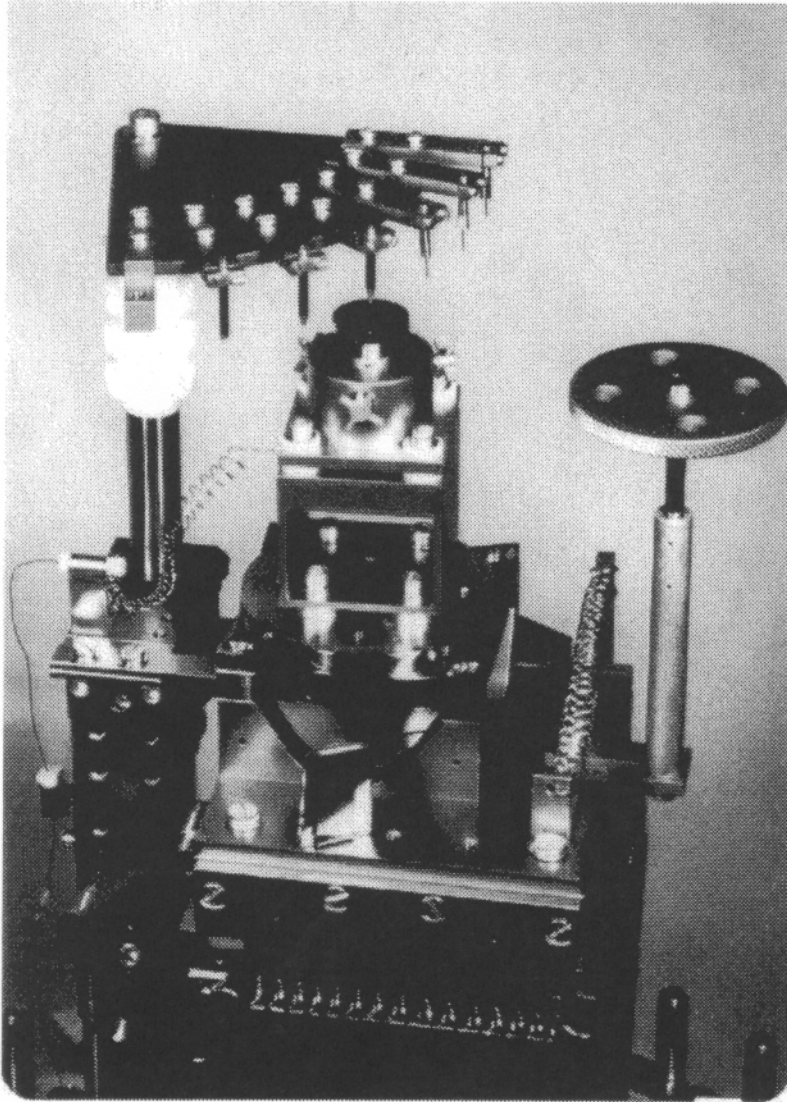


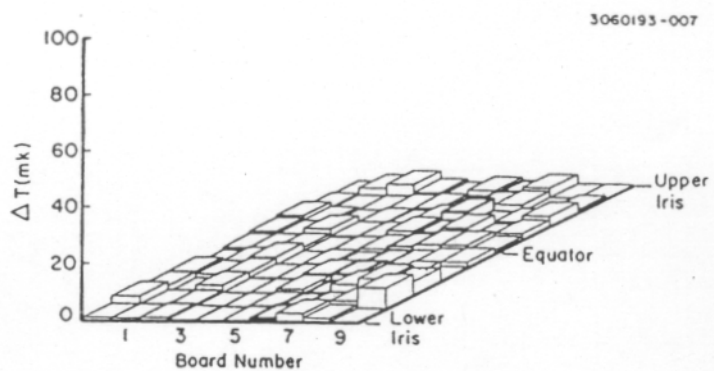
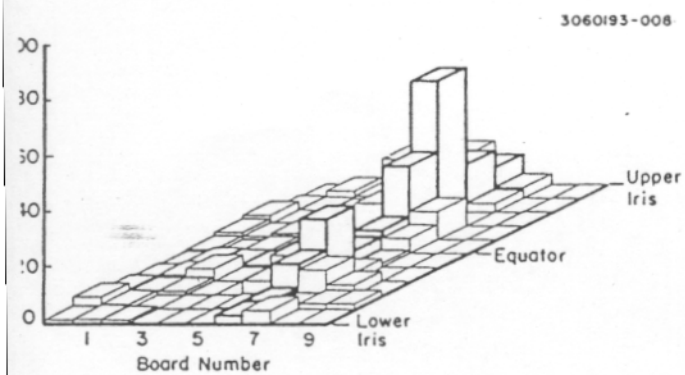
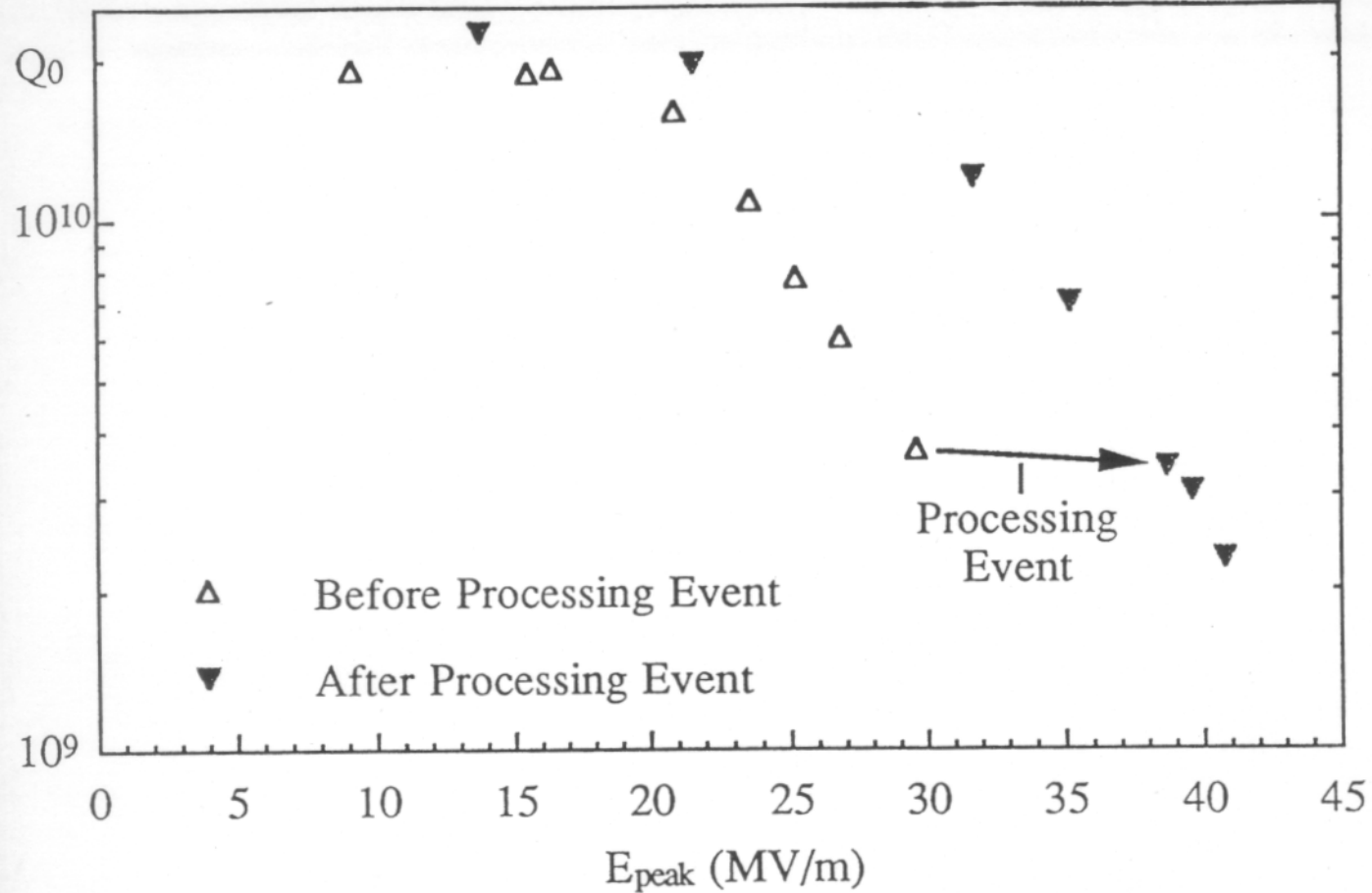
Figure 20. Scanning apparatus to explore field emission on metallic surfaces. A DC voltage is applied between the sample and a sharp needle, thus localizing the electric high-field region. The vacuum apparatus allows *in situ* heating, sputtering and surface imaging [28].

The experience with DC field emission suggests that small particles are the main origin of field emitted current and that geometric effects determine the field enhancement factor. It seems plausible that the same parameters are also important for radiofrequency field emission, but it cannot be excluded that other parameters might be relevant, too. Therefore, field emission studies under radiofrequency conditions are necessary. At Cornell many field emitters in cavities have been localized by temperature mapping. After dismounting (or

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CW Processing Event

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(a). Before low power event;
 $E_{peak} = 29.6$ MV/m.

(b). Following low power event;
 $E_{peak} = 31.7$ MV/m.

Results on Processed Emitters From Mushroom Cavity

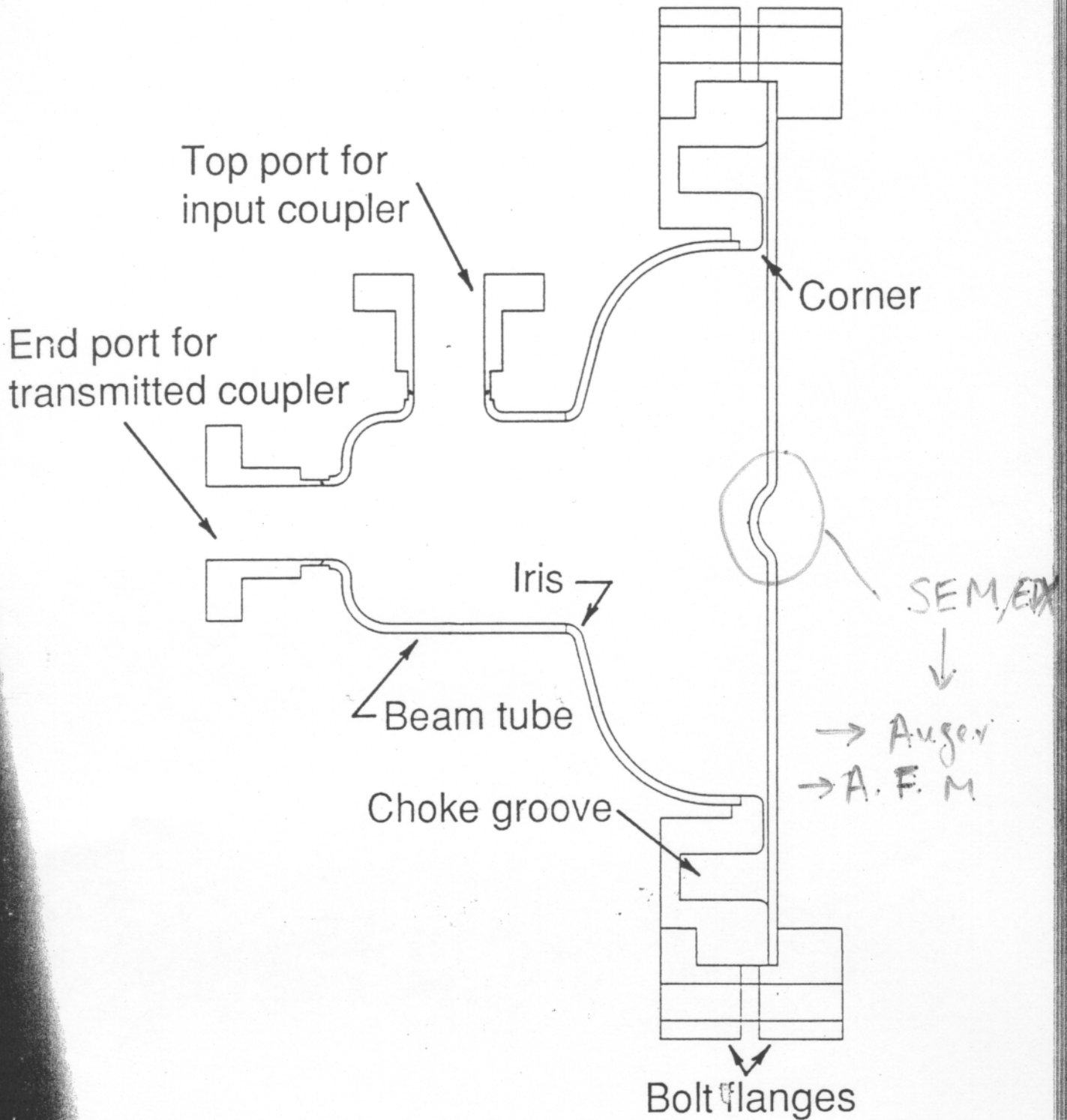
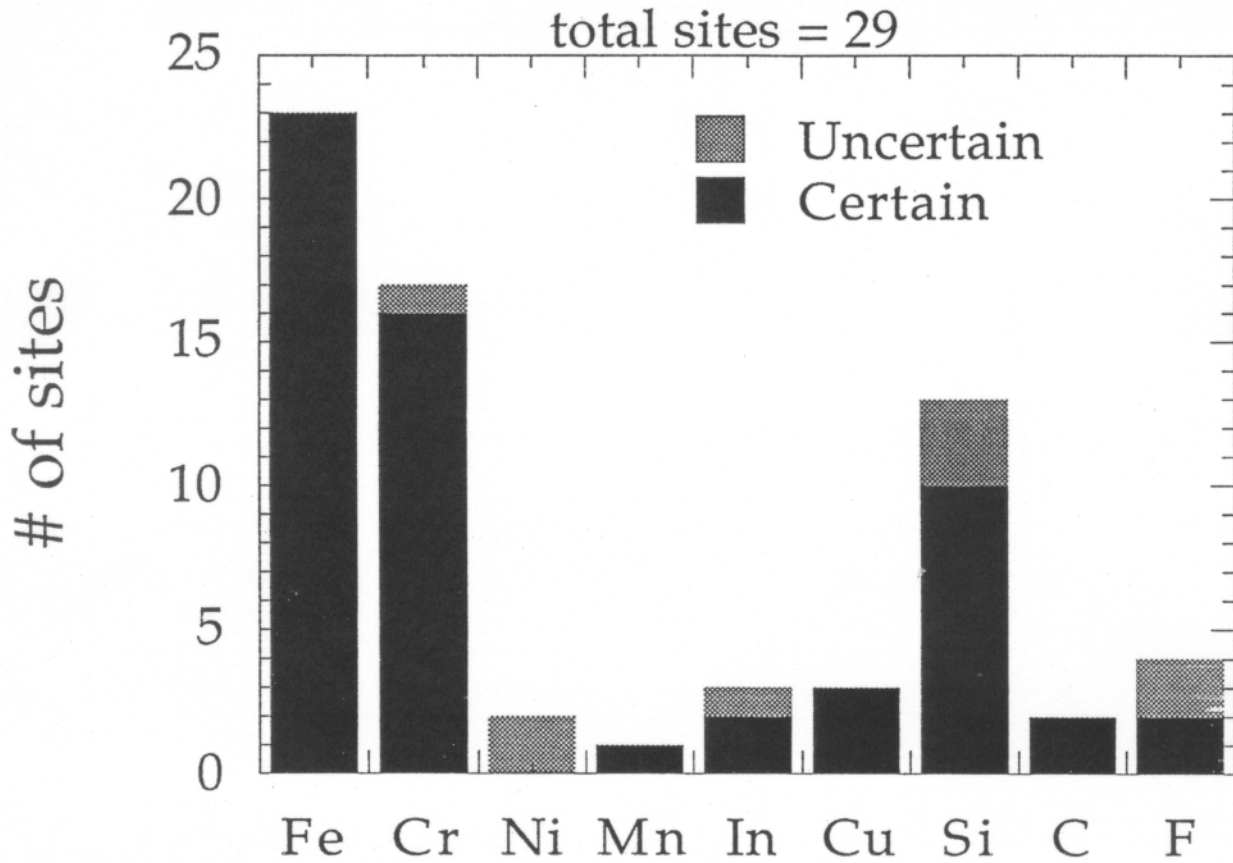


FIGURE 10 The Mark II cavity design. The baseplate is joined to the cavity using an indium -ring.

Impurity Frequencies



Impurities were found in every site examined.

From the mushroom cavity
Using Auger

- The smoking gun
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DC Field Emission

