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EXPERIMENTAL WORKSHOP ON HIGH TEMPERATURE
SUPERCONDUCTORS & RELATED MATERIALS
(BASIC ACTIVITIES)

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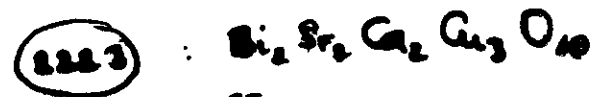
CRITICAL CURRENTS
Part II

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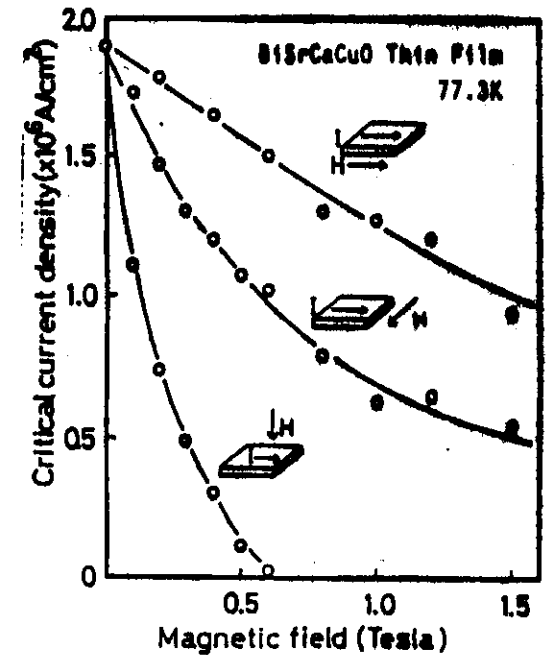
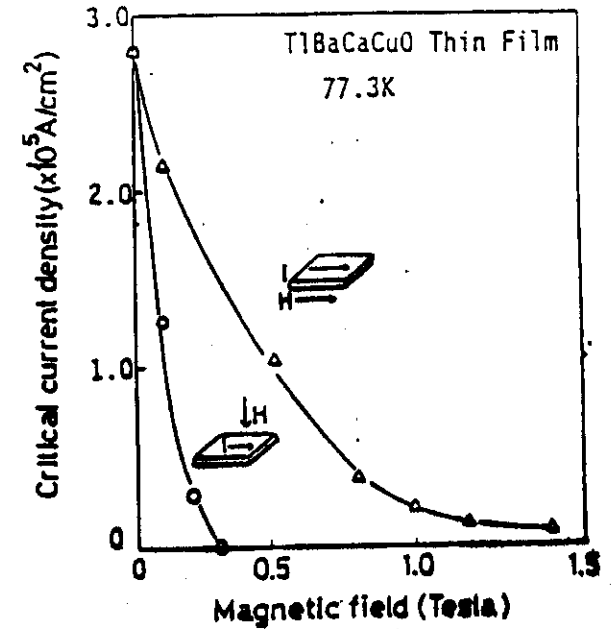
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These are preliminary lecture notes, intended only for distribution to participants.

Preparation and properties
of Bi-Pb-Sr-Ca-Cu-O
bulk samples and tapes



Properties comparable to Tl-Ca-Ba-Cu-O
(not discussed here)



Goal :- Preparation of single-phased, homogeneous 2223 phase of $\text{Bi}_{1.65}\text{Pb}_{0.35}\text{Sr}_2\text{Ca}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{13}$ in view of tape fabrication

Way : - Systematical work comprising

- composition
- sintering time
- sintering temperature
- cold pressing parameters

- Solid State Processes

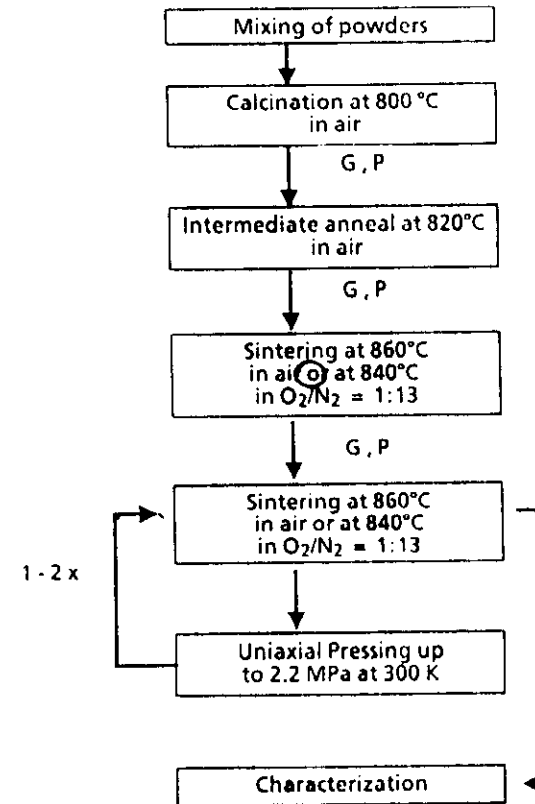
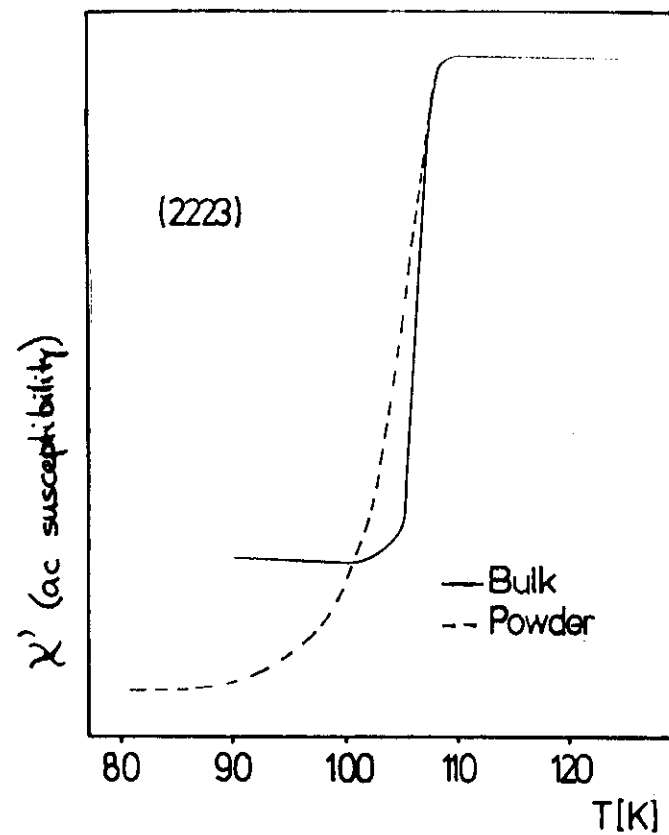
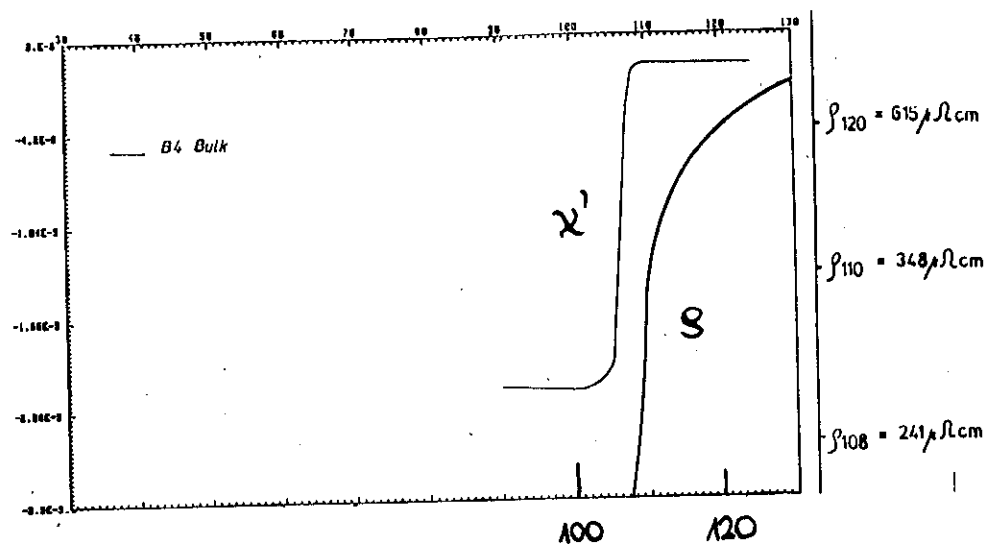


Fig. 1.



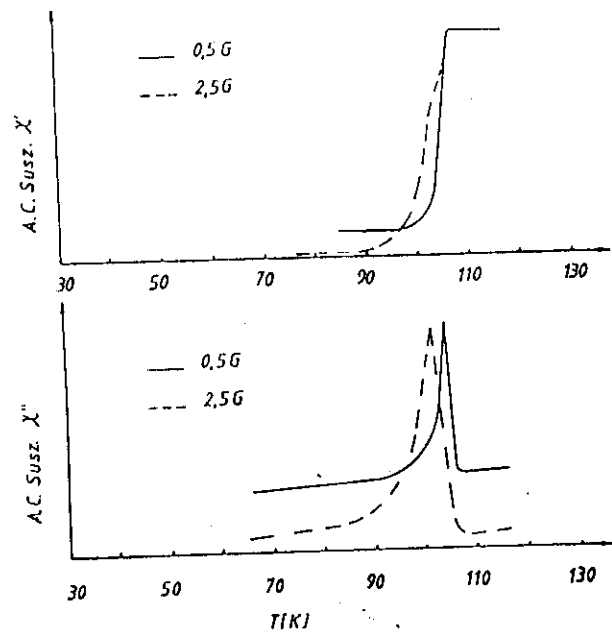


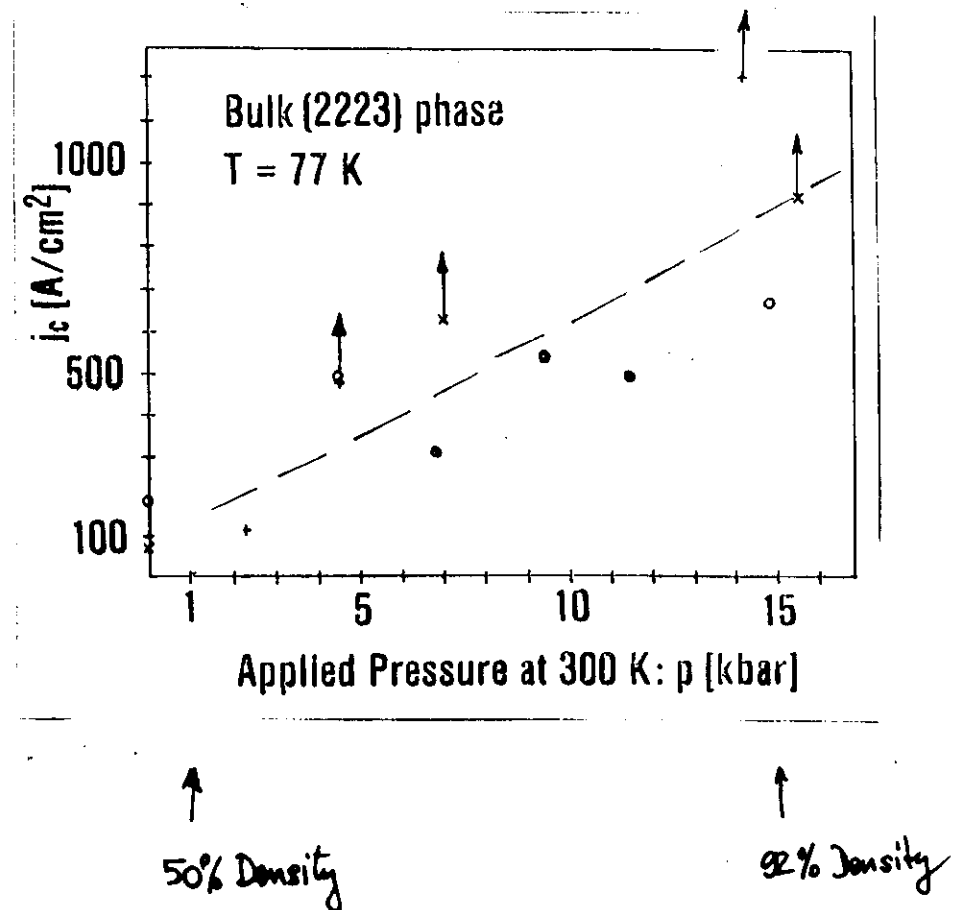
Fig. 4.

Density and j_c in Bi-Pb cuprate (2223 phase)

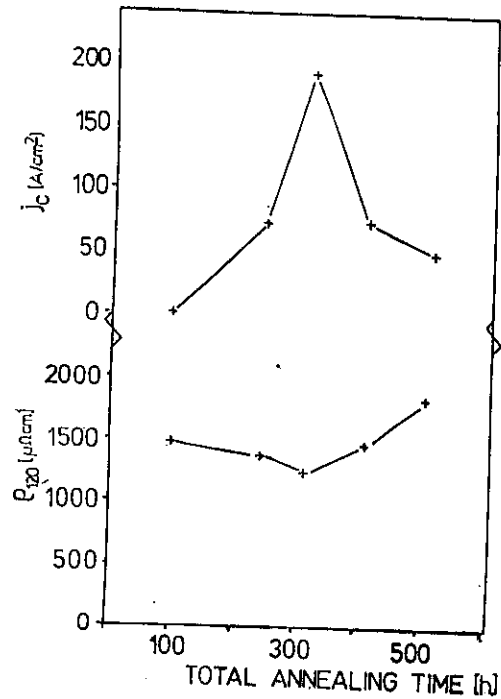
Sample	Density (g/cm ³)	j_c (77K, B=0) (A/cm ²)
C2	3.3	76
C10	3.6	468
C14	4.3	487
C16	4.5	664
C15	4.6	621#
C13	5.6	1195#
C17	5.9	904#

} Probe verbrannt

(# means burning of the sample, j_c was higher)



sintering temperature: 860°C / air



zwischen den Körnern hin.

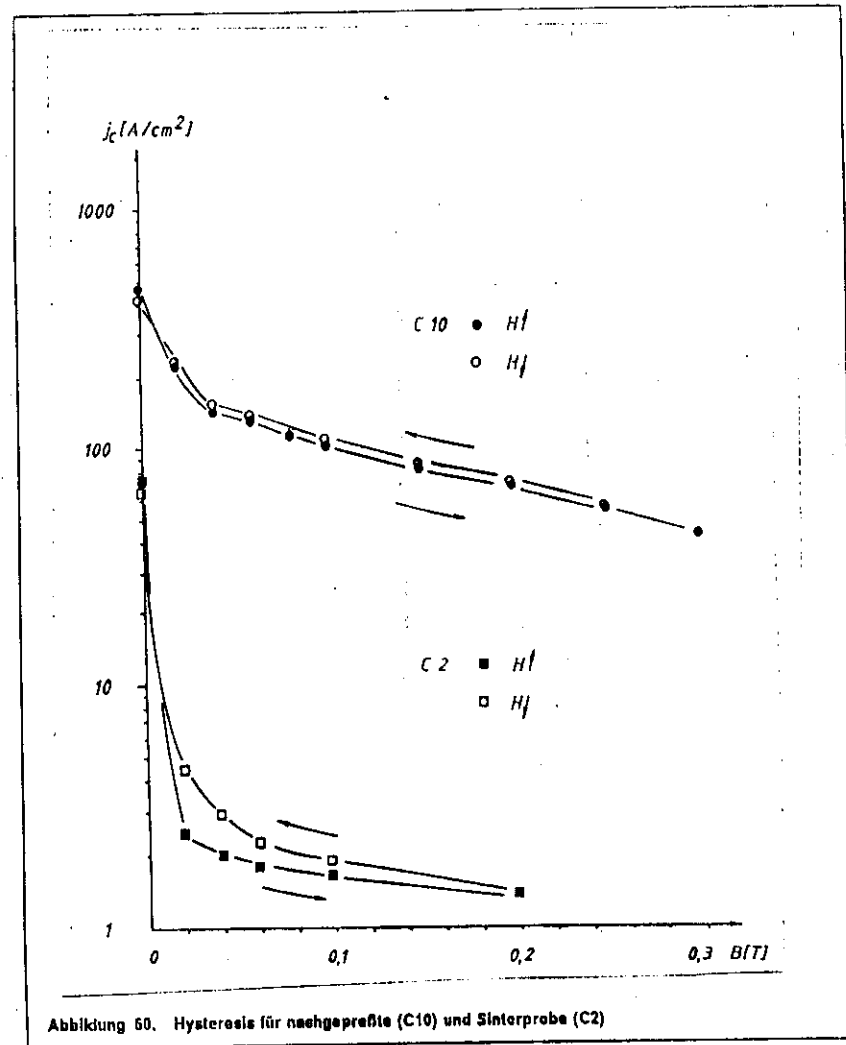


Abbildung 60. Hysterese für nachgeprägte (C10) und Sinterprobe (C2)

Fig. 8.

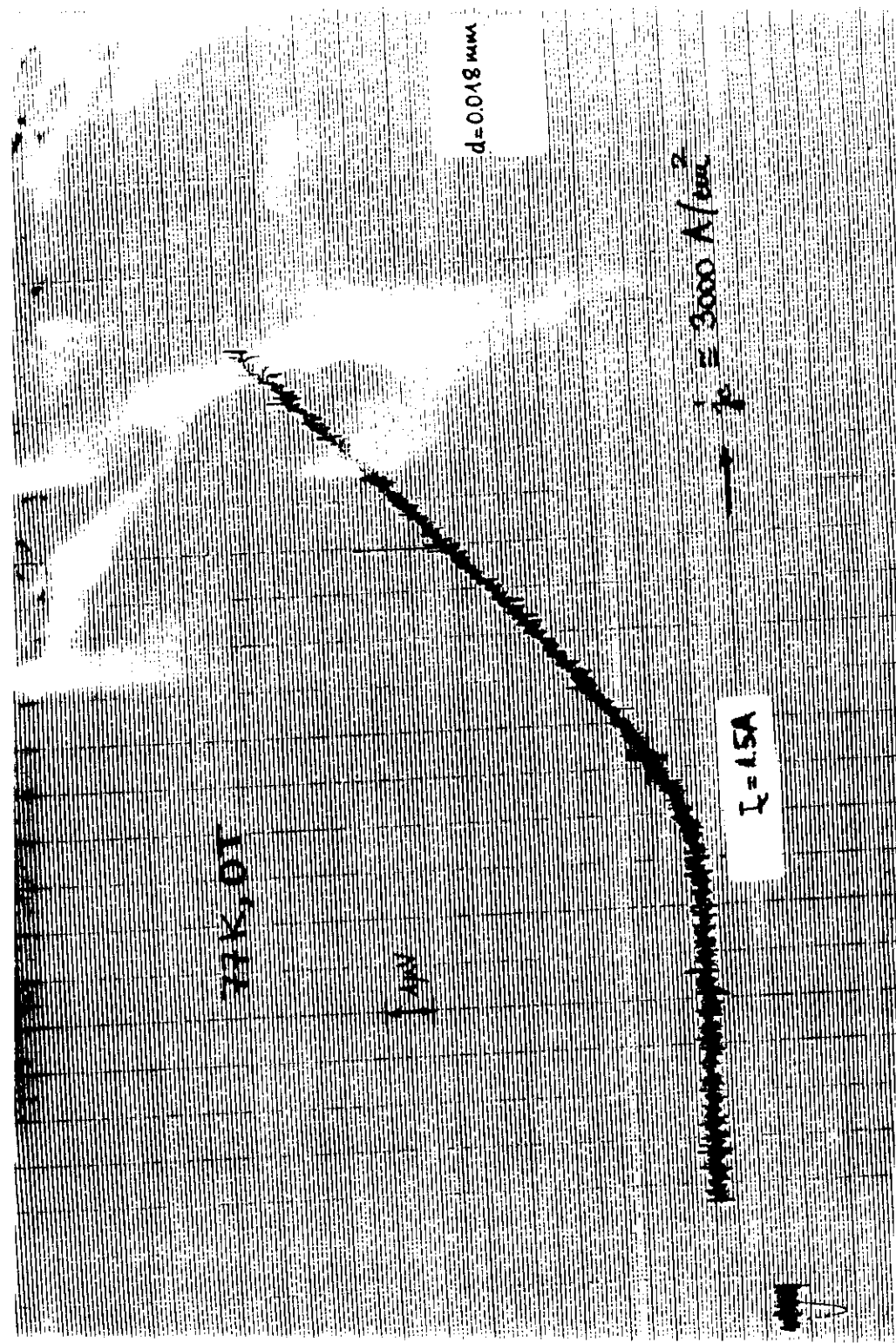
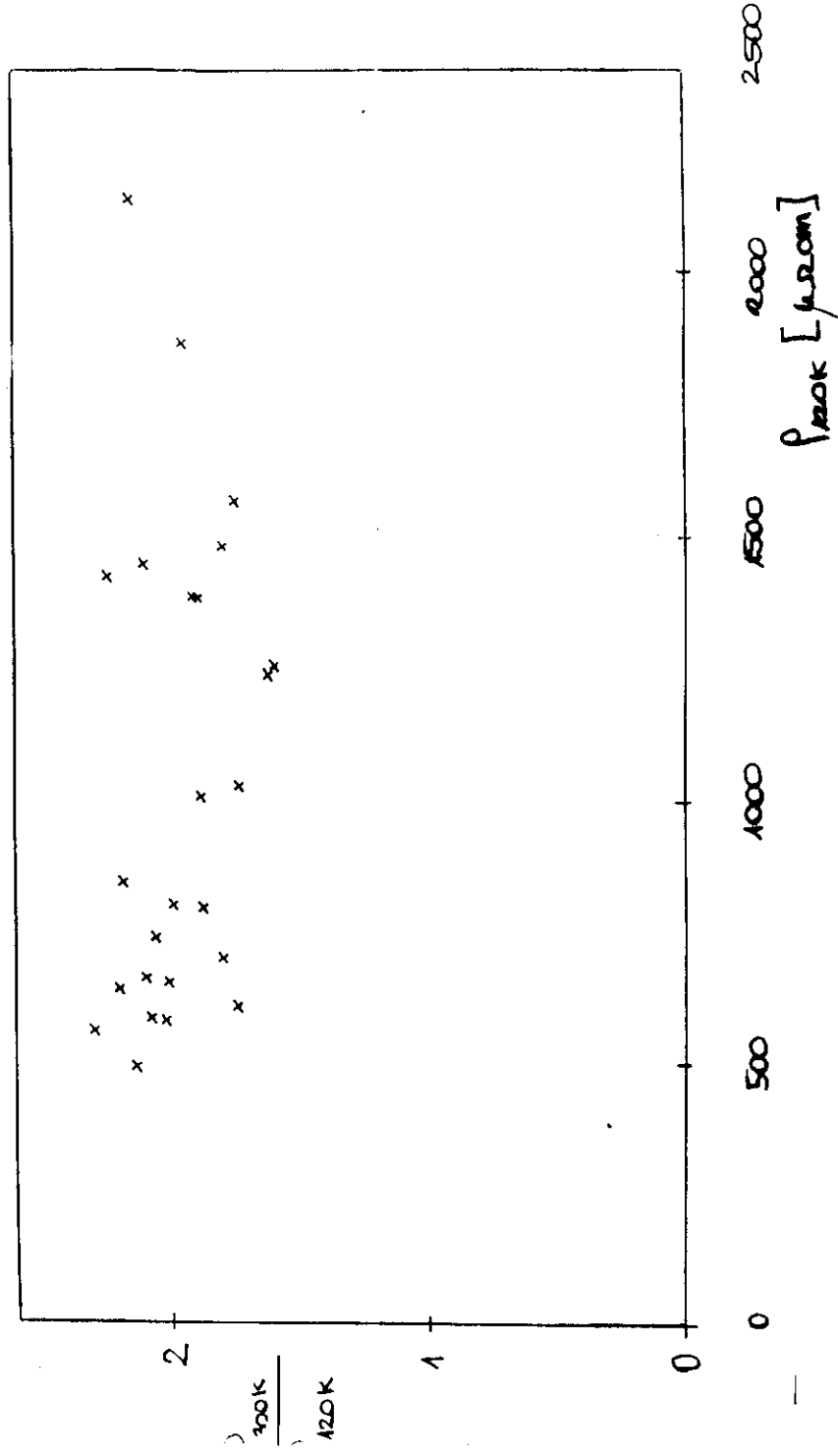




Fig. 5. TEM image viewed along the plane of the BiPbSrCaCuO wire.

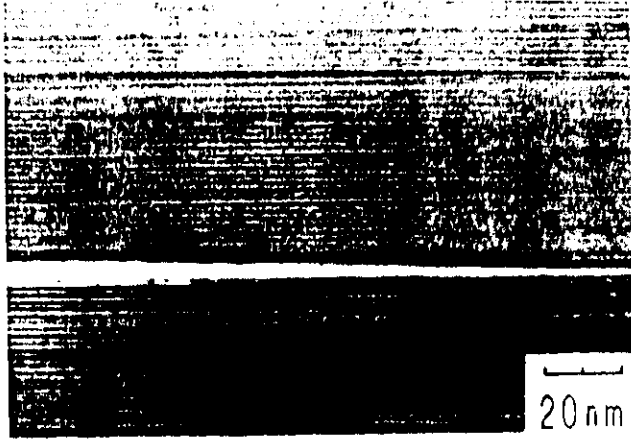


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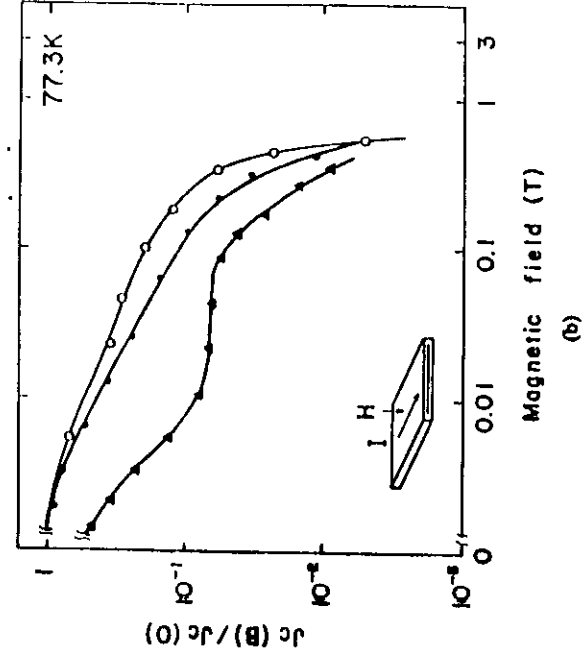
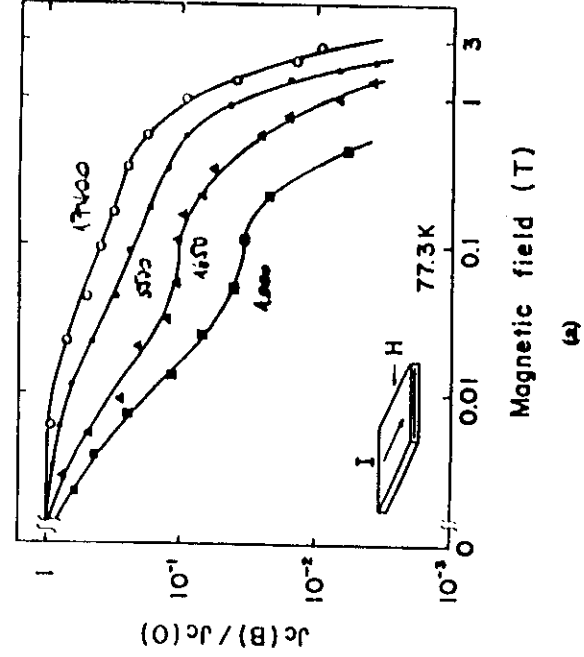
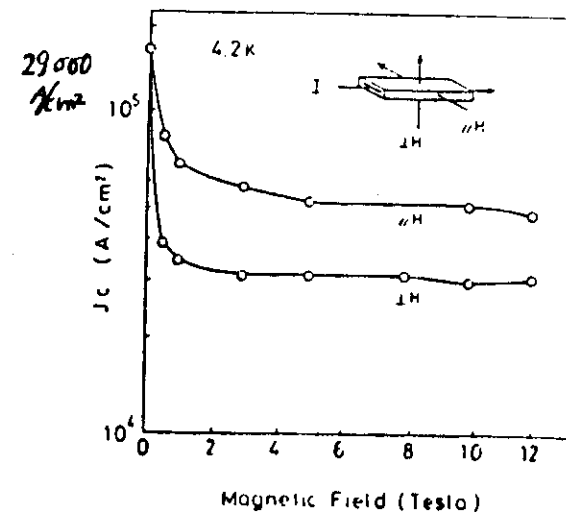
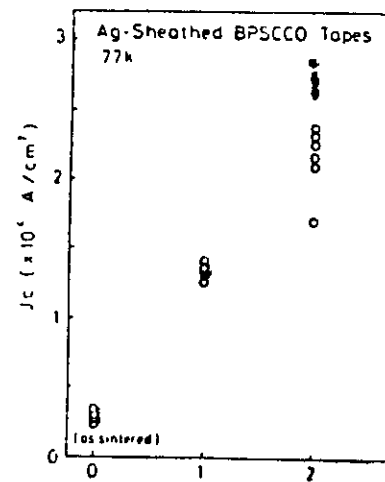
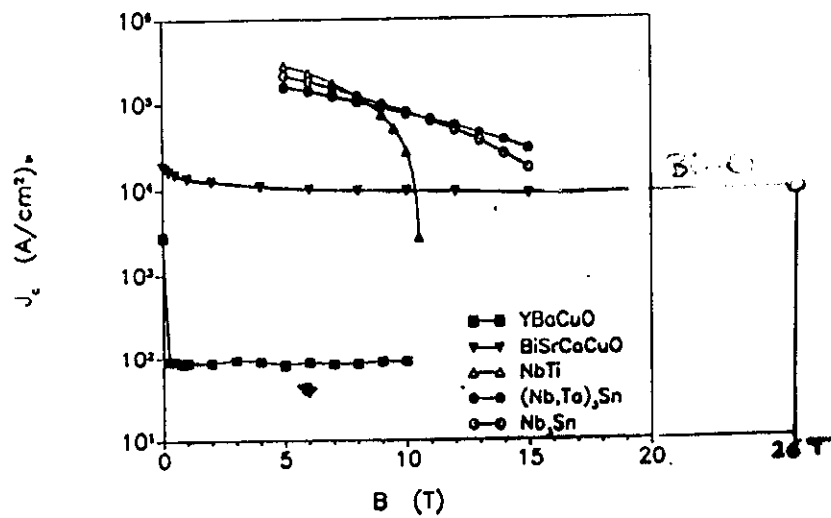


Fig. 1. Magnetic field dependence of critical current density of each specimen with $J_c = 1,000 \text{ A/cm}^2$ ($\blacksquare$), $1,650 \text{ A/cm}^2$ ($\blacktriangle$), $5,500 \text{ A/cm}^2$ ($\circ$) and $17,400 \text{ A/cm}^2$ ($\circ$) in a zero magnetic field, which are normalized by $J_c(0 \text{ T})$. (a) H parallel to a wide plane of the specimens. (b) H perpendicular to a wide plane of the specimens.

At 4.2 K, Wires



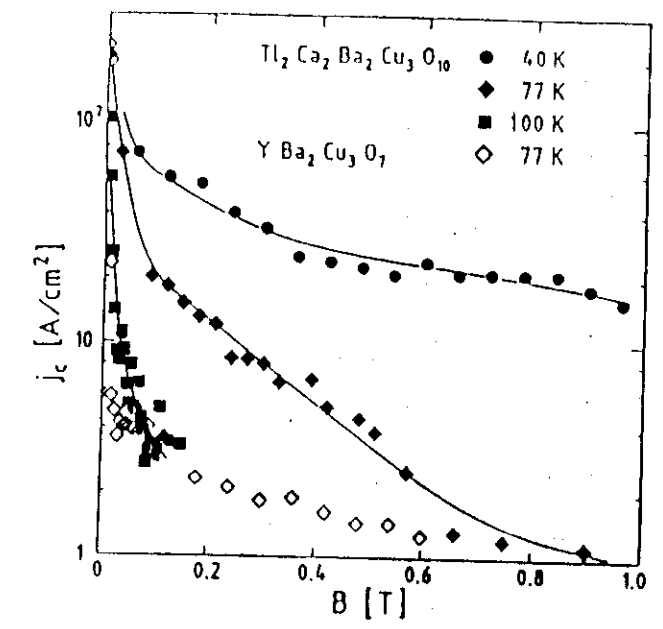


Fig. 5. Critical intergrain current densities' dependence on field measured inductively in bulk $Tl_2Ca_2Ba_2Cu_3O_{10}$

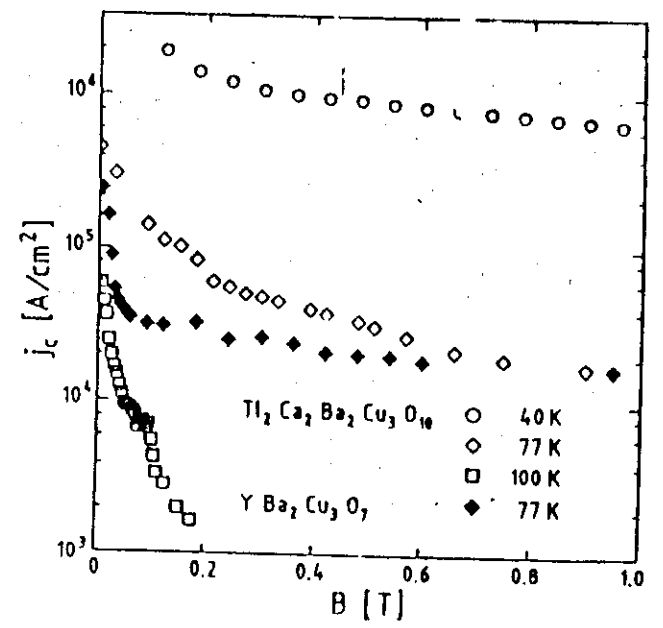
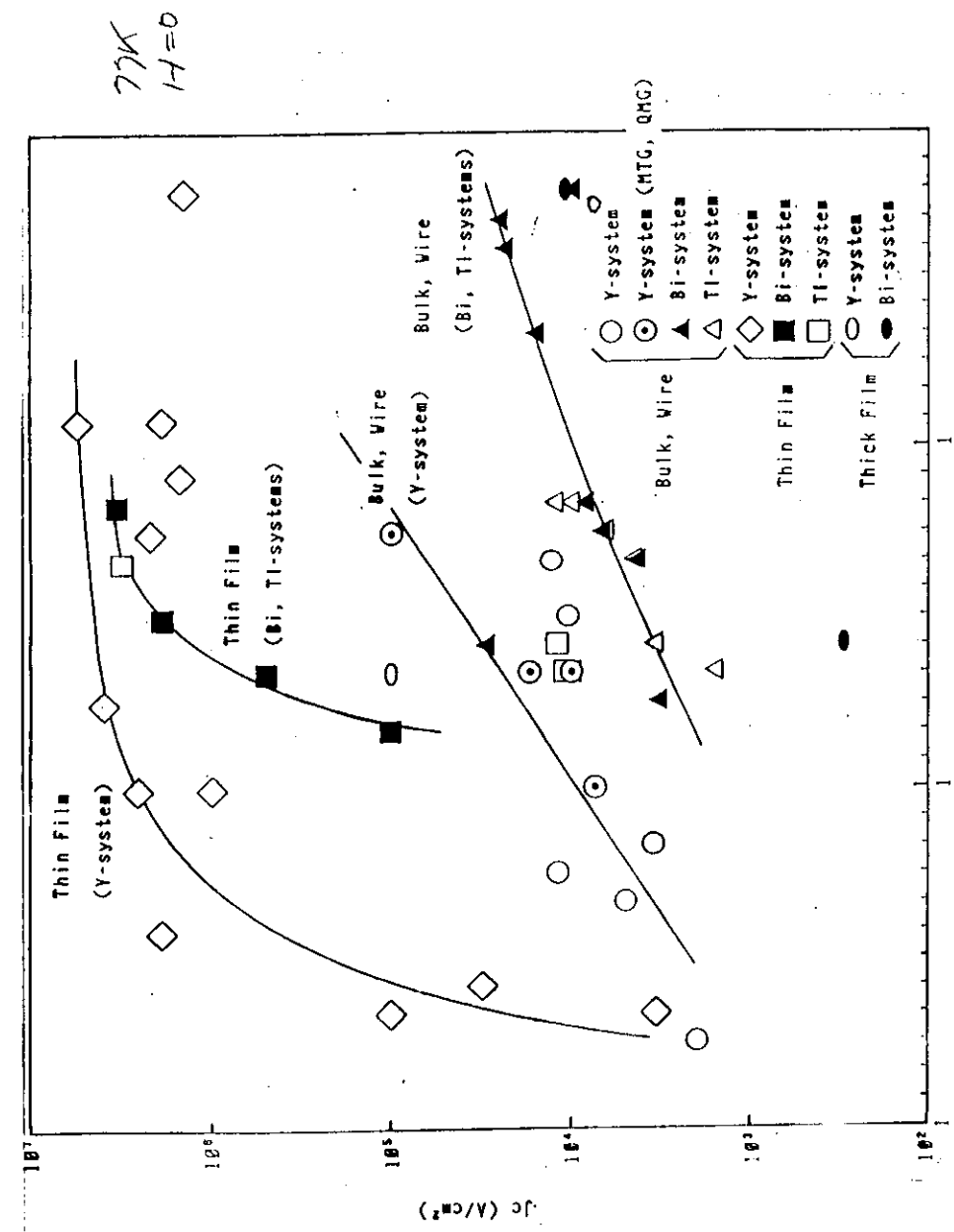
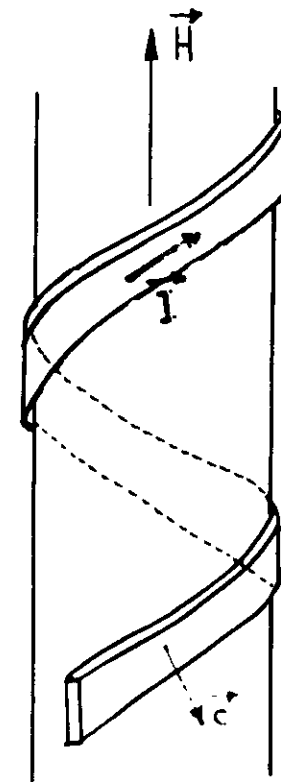


Fig. 6. Critical intragrain current densities' dependence on field measured inductively in bulk $Tl_2Ca_2Ba_2Cu_3O_{10}$



YBCO Tapes are used for high field applications

Preparation and properties
of $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ Tapes



$$\vec{I} \parallel \vec{c}$$

$$\vec{I} \parallel (a, b)$$

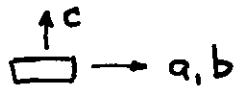
$$\vec{c} \parallel (a, b)$$

At both ends of the magnet :

$$B_{\perp} \neq 0$$

CONDITIONS FOR A $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$ WIRE

- LONG LENGTHS ($> 1000 \text{ m}$)
- RECTANGULAR CROSS SECTION



- MECHANICAL STABILITY

Bulk rupture strain: actually 0.05%
 (Bending!)
 → COMPOSITES: $> 0.5\%$
 → FINE FILAMENTS → M/F

- THERMAL STABILITY

→ Ag sheath

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \rho_{ab} < 100 \mu\Omega\text{cm} \\ \rho_c < 1000 \mu\Omega\text{cm} \end{array} \right| \text{ at } 100 \text{ K}$$

- CRITICAL CURRENT DENSITY

$$J_c \geq 10^5 \text{ A/cm}^2 \text{ at } B > 10 \text{ T}$$

- $J_c \neq J_c(t)$ FLUX CREEP!

- COSTS COMPARABLE TO Nb_3Sn

PREPARATION OF $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$ WIRES

"POWDER IN TUBE"

1) OPTIMIZED $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$ POWDER
 ($T_c = 93 \text{ K}$) IN Ag TUBE

2) COLD DEFORMATION TO WIRE
 ($\phi 0.5 \text{ mm}$)

3) SINTERING AT $900 - 950^\circ\text{C}$ (O_2)
 OR $900 - 920^\circ\text{C}$ (air)

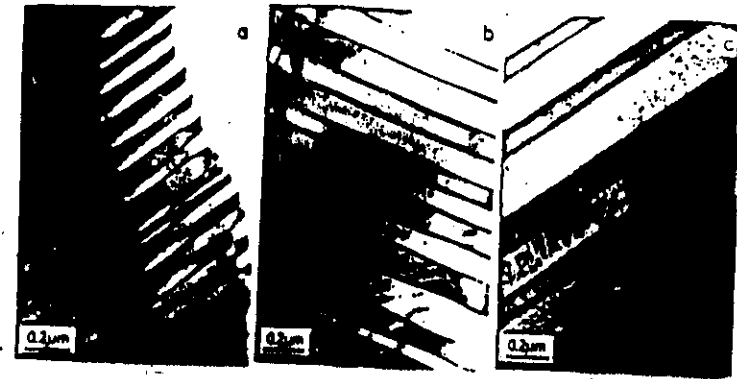
4) OXIDATION AT $\sim 550^\circ\text{C}$ (O_2) $\sim 93 \text{ K}$

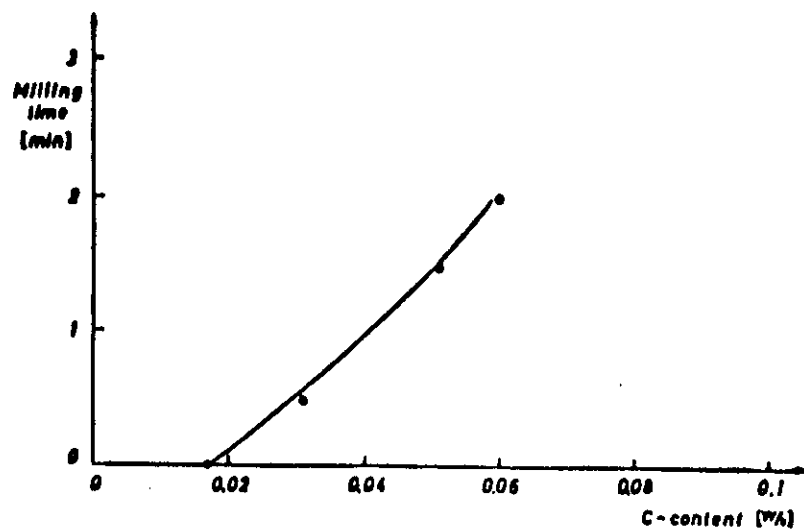
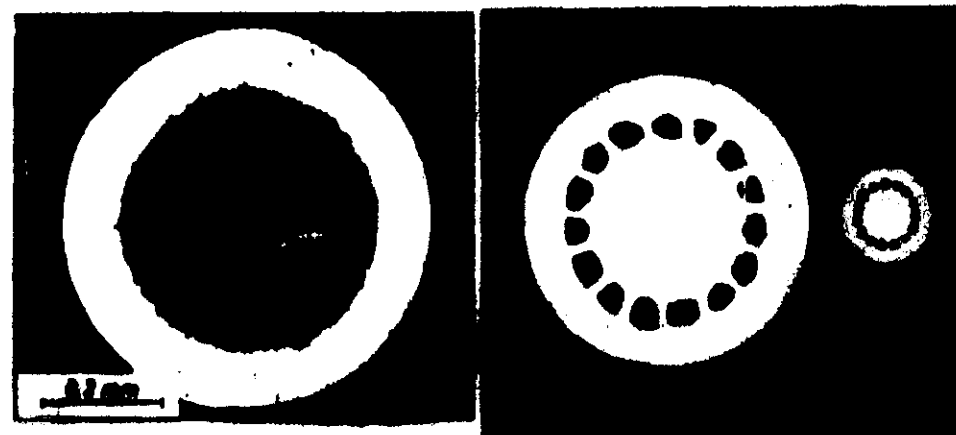
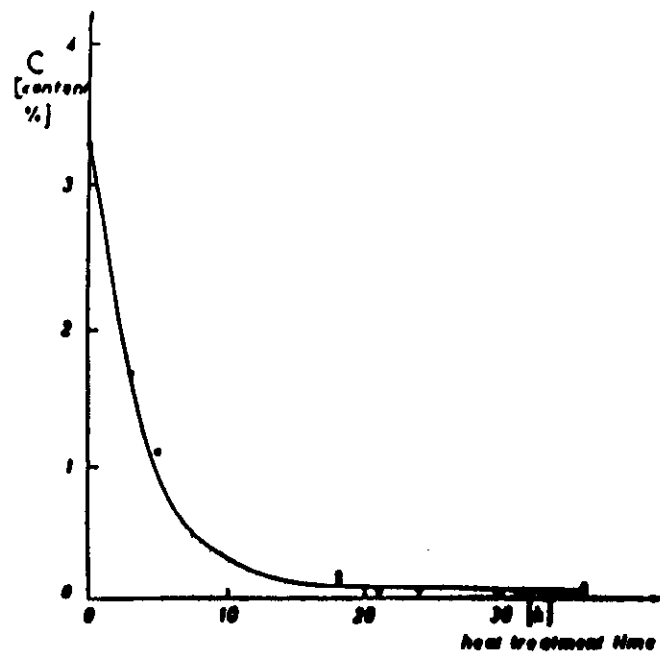


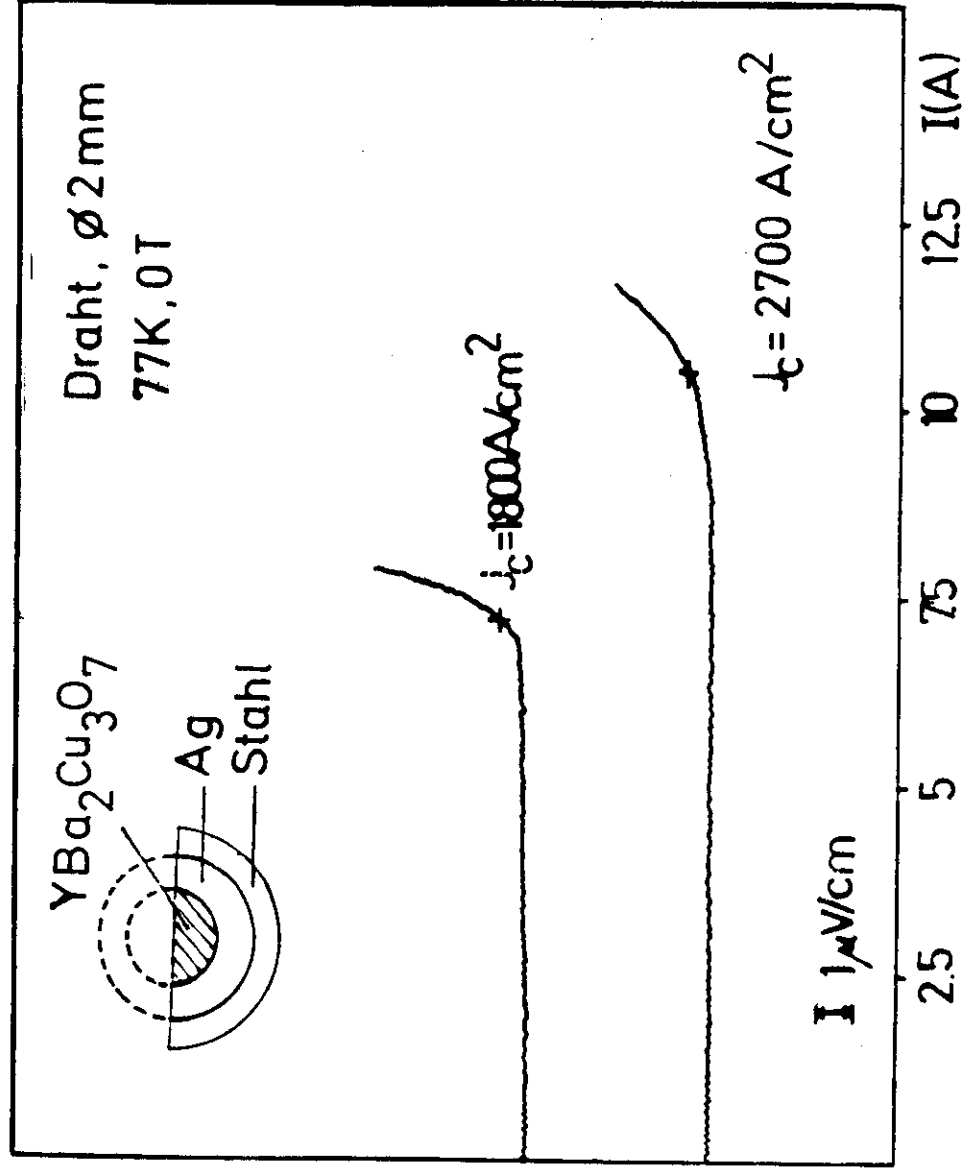
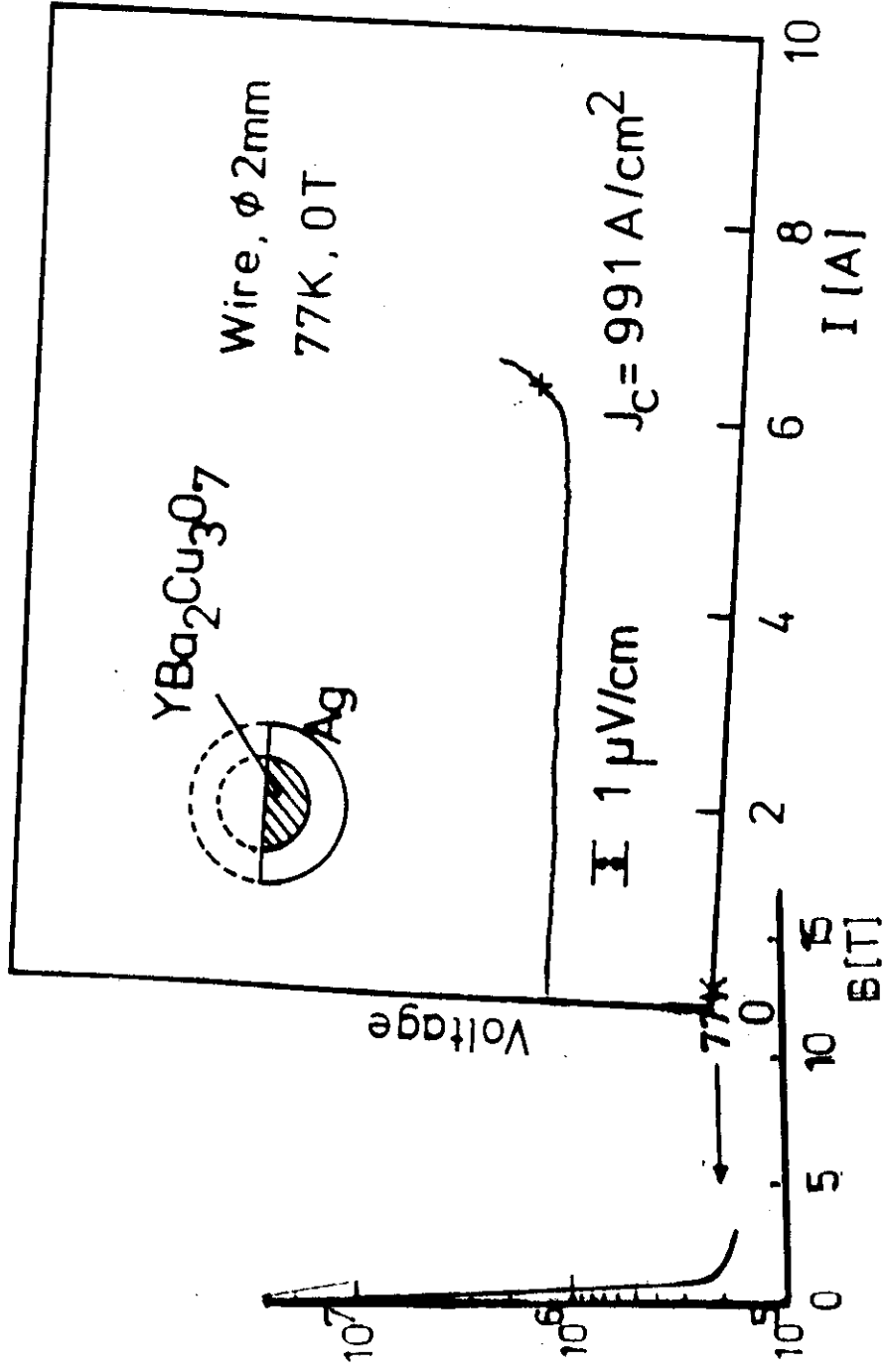
SHEATH MATERIAL : — Ag
— Ag-Pd (<5%Pd)

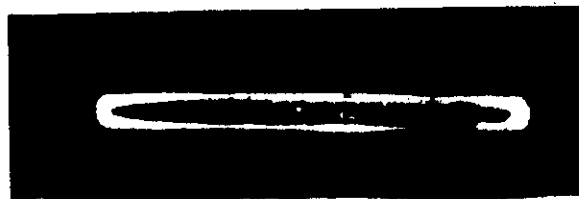
Ag : $T_f = 961^\circ\text{C} \longrightarrow 938^\circ\text{C in } \text{O}_2$

THIS WORK $\longrightarrow$ Ag-Pd : $\Delta T_f \cong +9^\circ\text{C/at.}\% \text{ Pd.}$

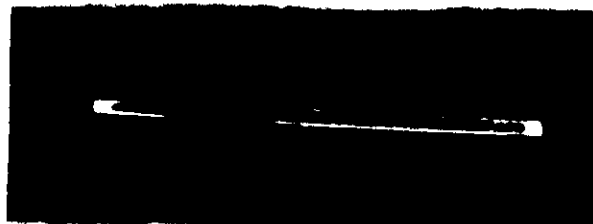








1 mm
thickness



0.5 mm
thickness



20 μm

Rolling

$$J_c = 347 \text{ A cm}^{-2}$$



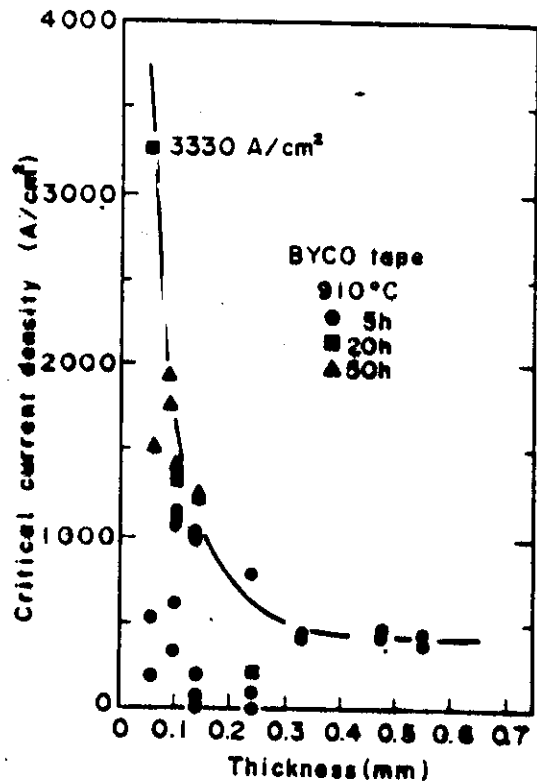
20 μm

Pressing

$$J_c = 2130 \text{ A cm}^{-2}$$

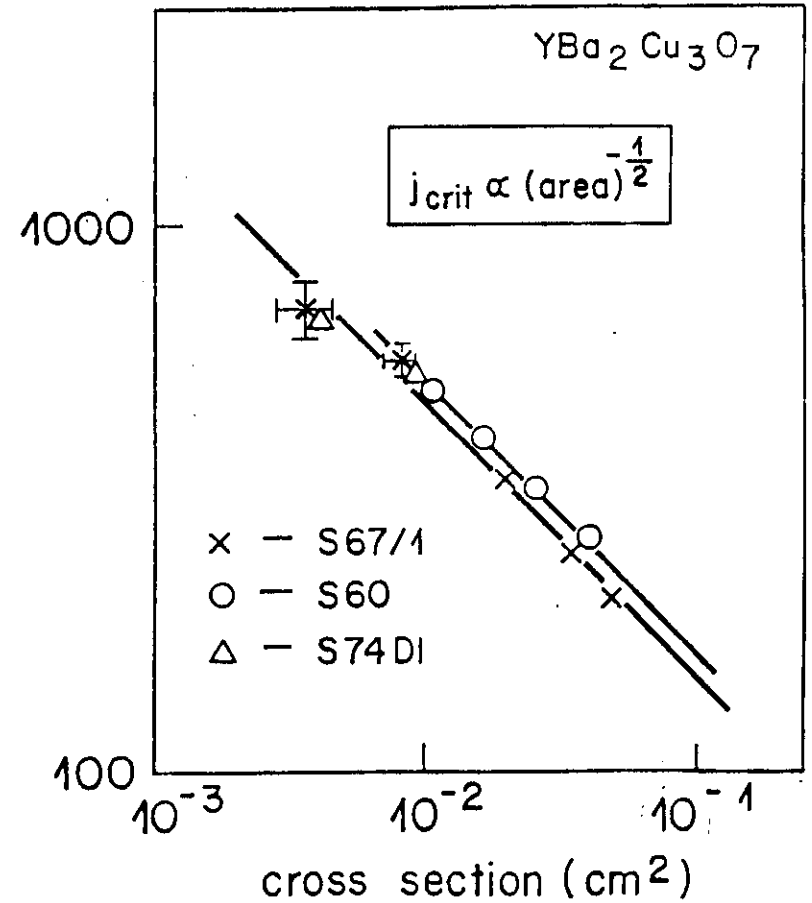
Microstructure of the cross-section parallel to the direction of current flow for the tapes made by cold-rolling and pressing. The measured value of critical current density at 77 K is given.

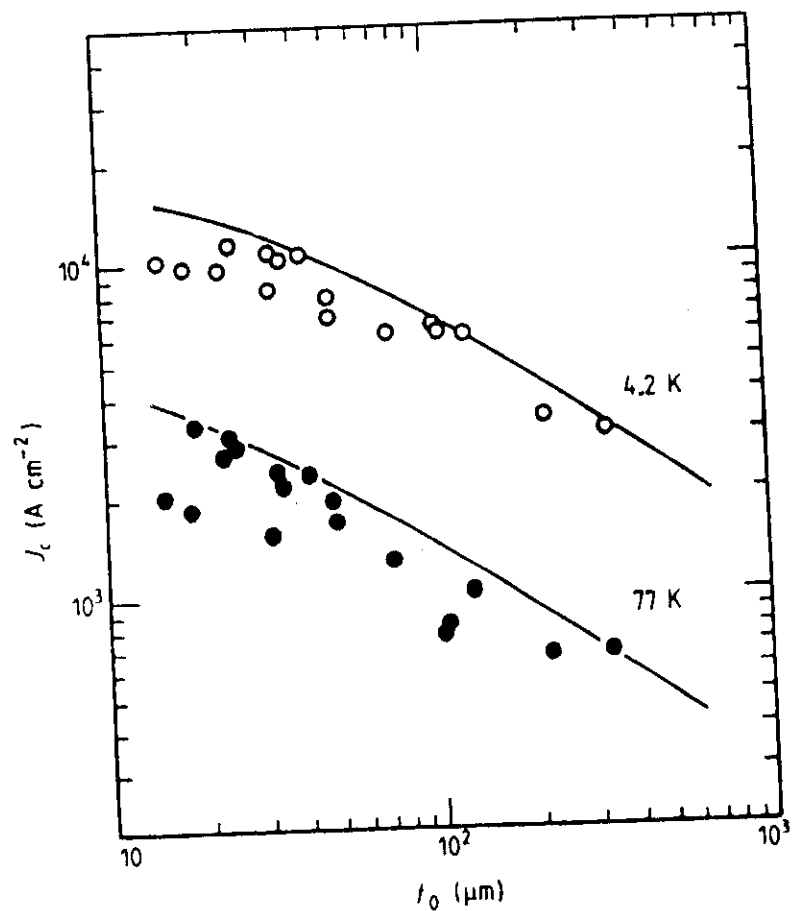
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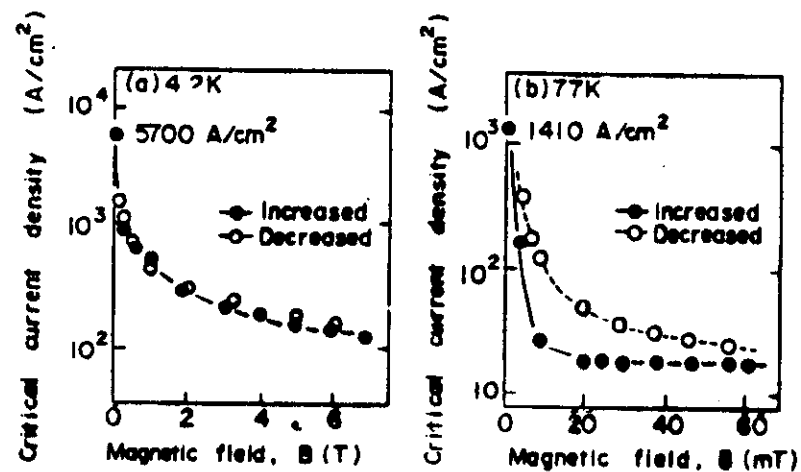
YBa₂Cu₃O₇ Tapes (KOHNO et al.)

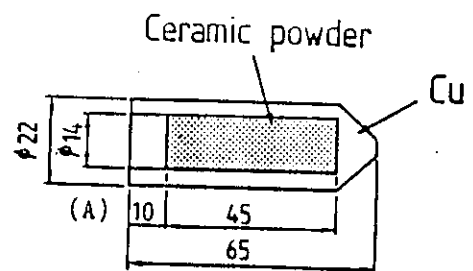
critical current density j_{crit} (Acm⁻²)





Change in critical current density as a function of oxide layer thickness for the tapes made by cold-pressing.





Before extrusion



After extrusion

