

Erosion of Dust Agglomerates

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Introduction

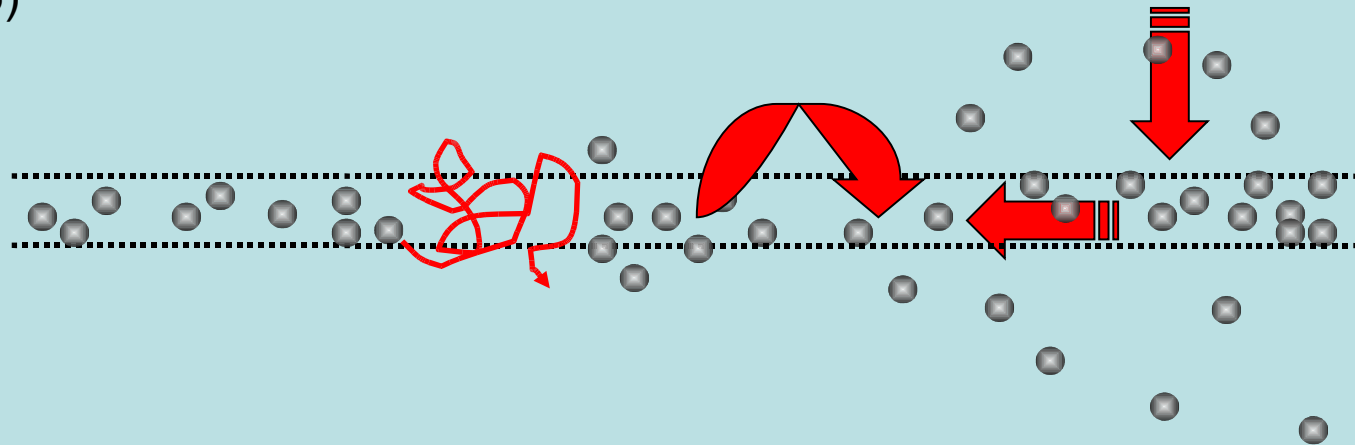
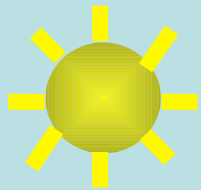
Brownian motion (Weidenschilling 1984)

Vertical sedimentation, radial drift, azimuthal velocity differences (Weidenschilling 1984),

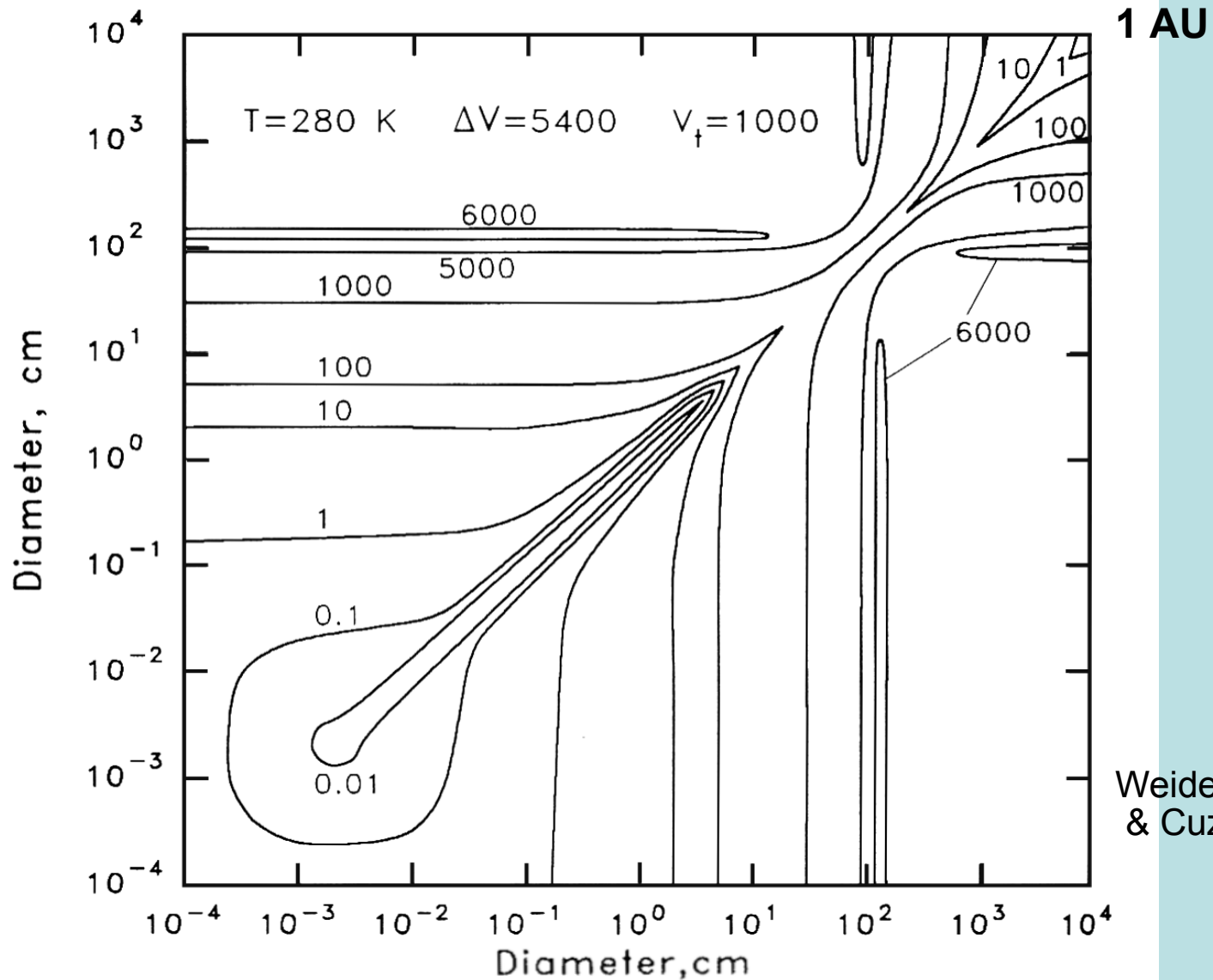
Strong outward directed winds over dust subdisks.
(Cuzzi 1993)

Gas turbulence (magneto-rotational instability, shear instability, gravitational instability)

(Weidenschilling 1980; Sekiya 1998 Balbus & Hawley 1991; Schröpfer & Henning 2004; Johansen et al. 2006)

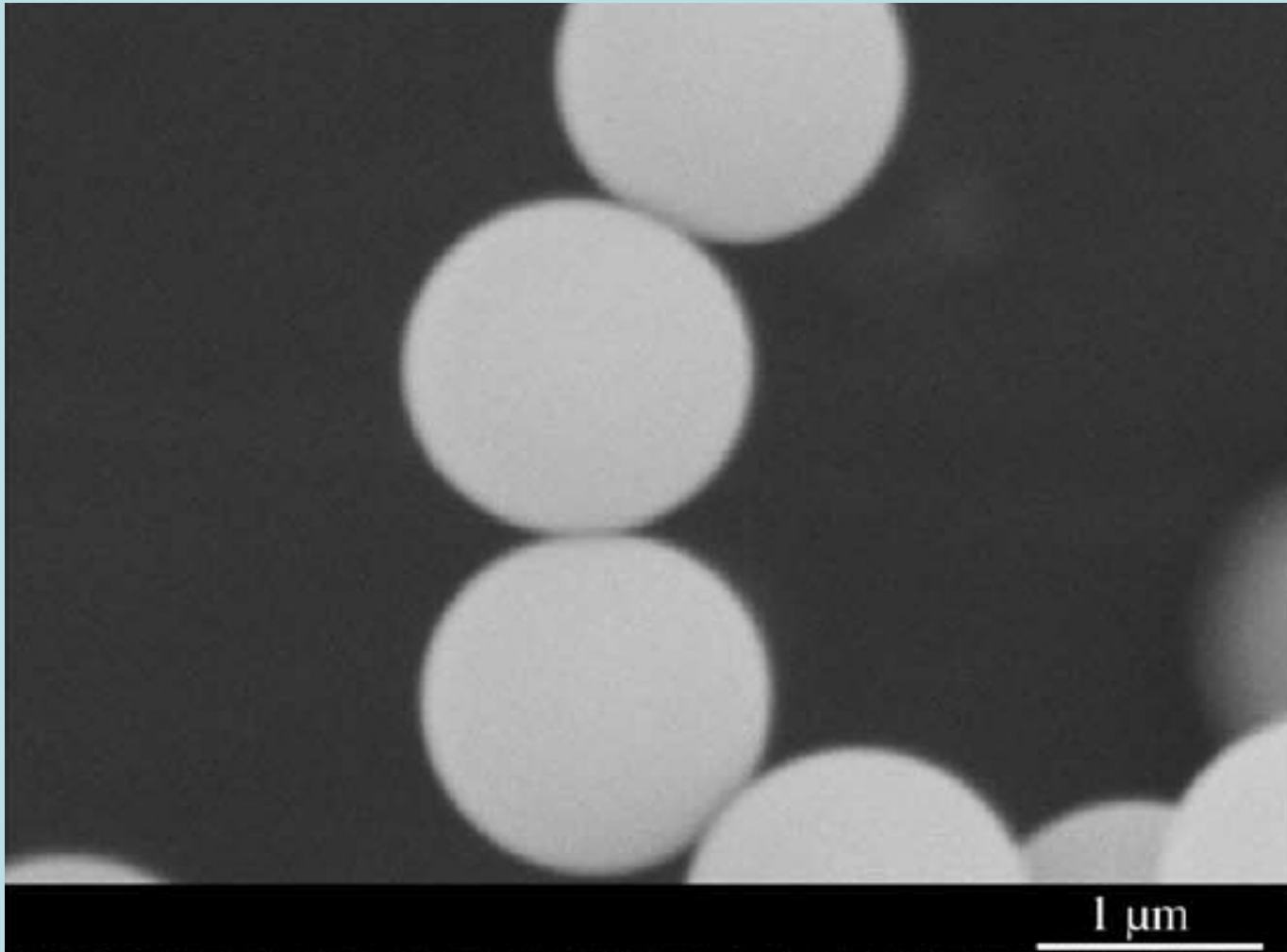


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Weidenschilling
& Cuzzi 1993

Particles Used in Our Experiments



Experimental Setup

Measurement
Capacitor

Vakuum Chamber

Dust Agglomerate
Blum&Schräpler (2004)

Velocity Filter

Cogwheel Deagglomerator

Current Voltage
Converter

Amplifier

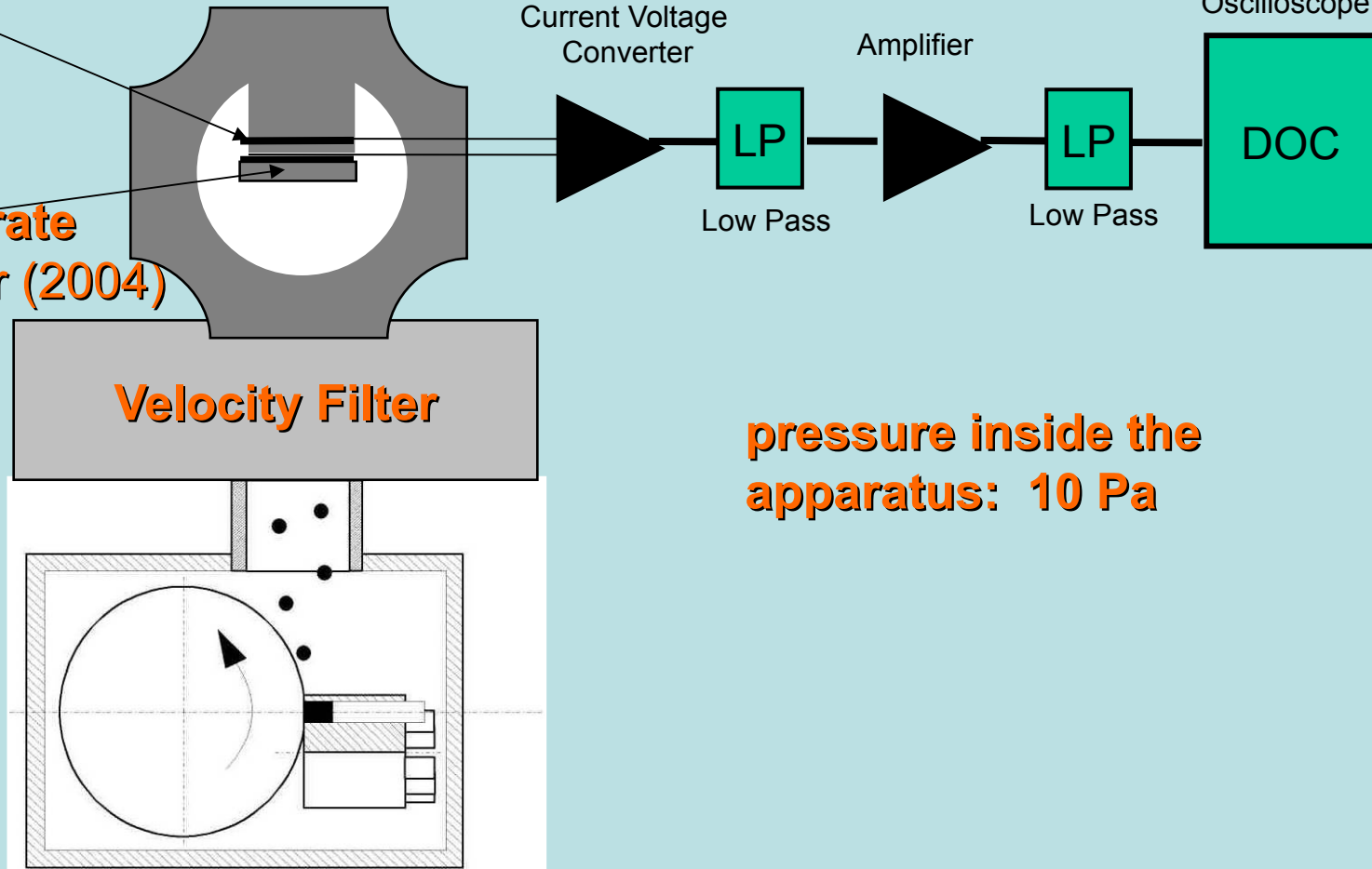
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Oscilloscope

LP
Low Pass

LP
Low Pass

DOC

pressure inside the
apparatus: 10 Pa



Laboratory Setup

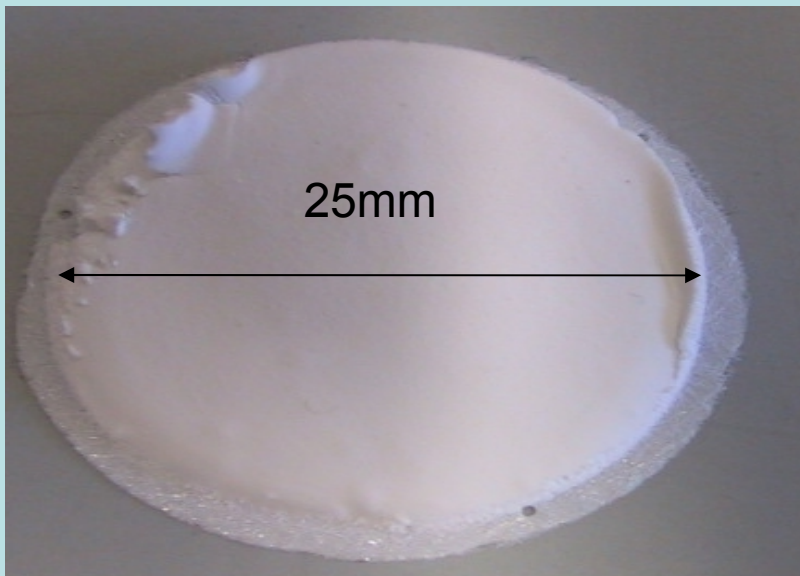


Measurement method

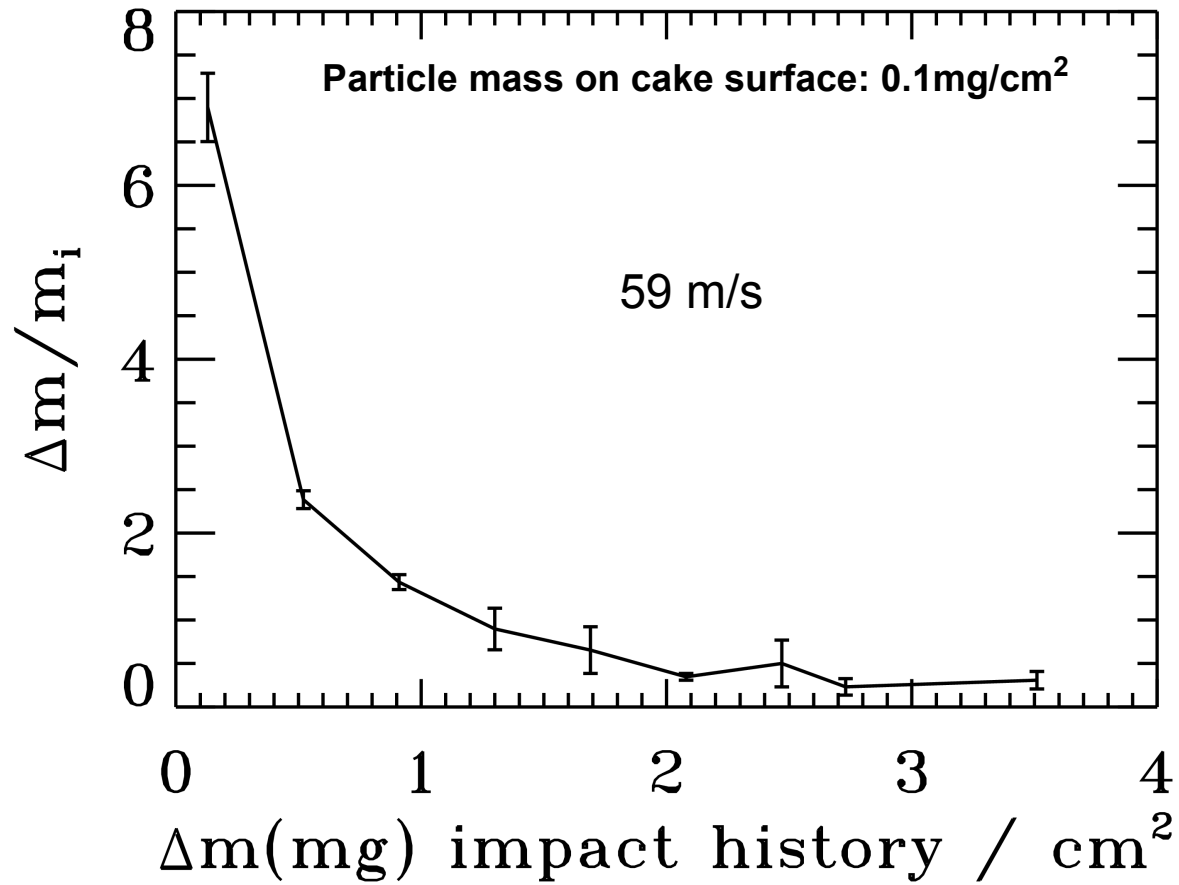
- Measurement of the particle mass arriving at a greased target
- Measurement of the mass change of the agglomerate target

Agglomerate before impact

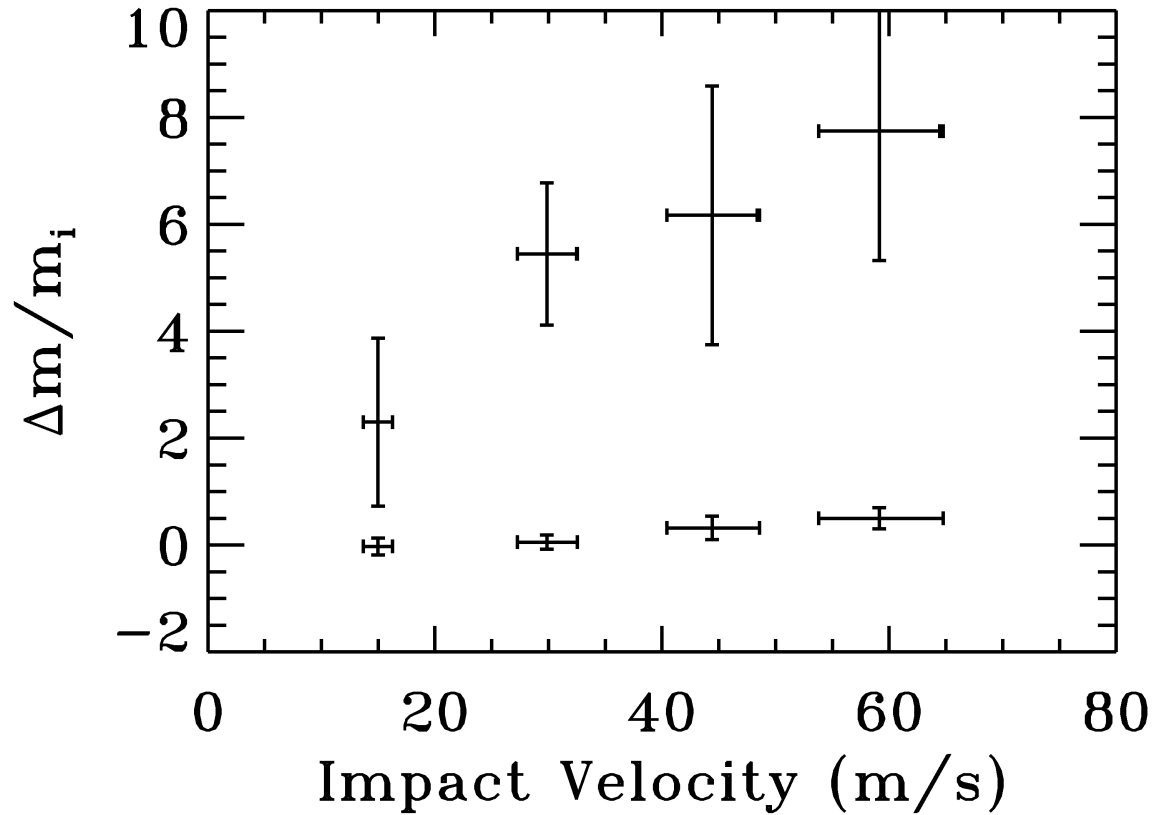
Agglomerate after impact with μm spheres



Experimental Results



Erosion versus impact velocity



Numerical Model of Konstadopoulos (2000)

- High speed impacts increase the filling factor of an agglomerate and therefore the number of particle - particle contacts n (coordination number)
- maximum coordination number is an gaussian distribution with its maximum at 6 and its full width halve maximum of 4 ($ff=0.6$)
- A particle bond in the agglomerate can be described by an effective mass term (found by numerical simulations)

Impact energy needed to release an “effective” particle

Effective mass: $m_{\text{eff}} = m (1 + C n)$ (Konstandopoulos 2000)

n: number of contacts to neighbour particles (coordination number)
C: dimensionless rigidity parameter [1, infinity]

Energy transferred to an effective particle:

$$E_{\text{eff}} = E_{\text{imp}} \frac{4(1+C n)}{(2+C n)^2} \text{ (momentum law)}$$

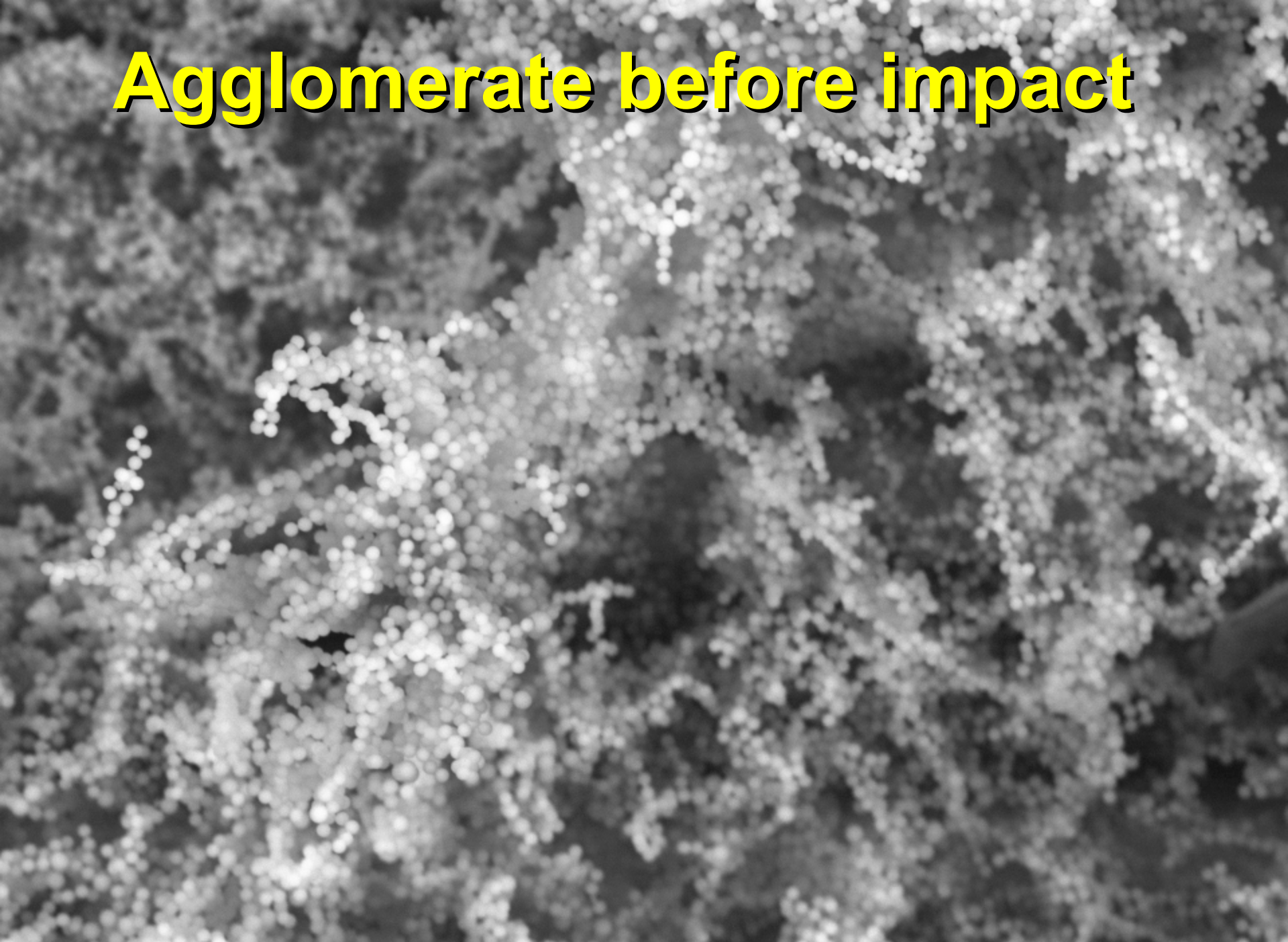
Energy needed to release a particle from the agglomerate

$$E_{\text{release}} = E_{\text{contact}} n ; \quad E_{\text{contact}} = 2 \text{ E-15 J (Heim \& Blum 1999)}$$

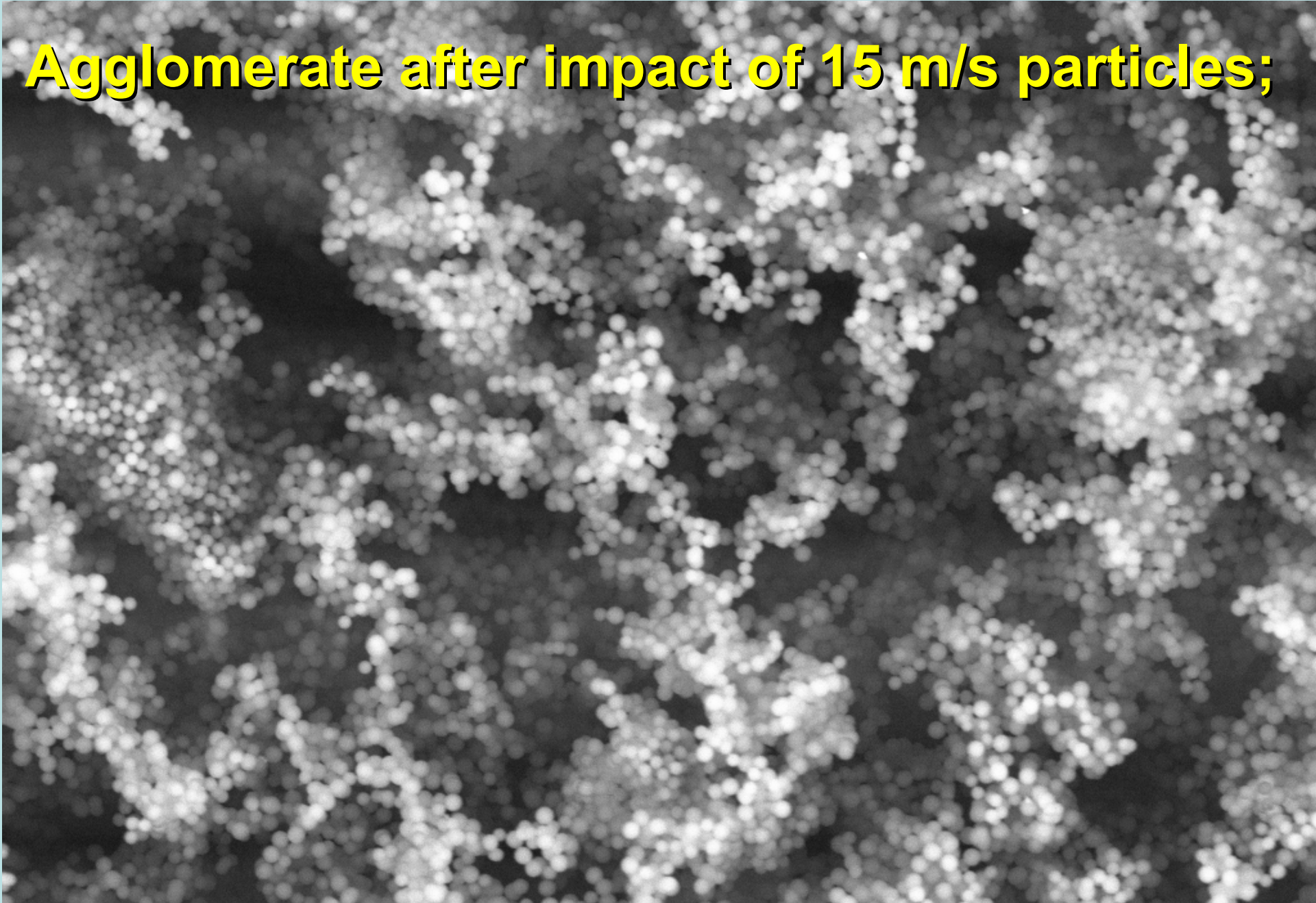
The agglomerate is passivated if the effective energy transferred by an impact is lower than the release energy

Koordination number on the surface: Agglomerate: $n \sim 1.6$;
passivated Agglomerate (60m/s) $n \sim 5$
Ratio of needed energy $(5/1.6)^2 \sim 10$

Agglomerate before impact



Agglomerate after impact of 15 m/s particles;



Kuchen 1

10 μ m



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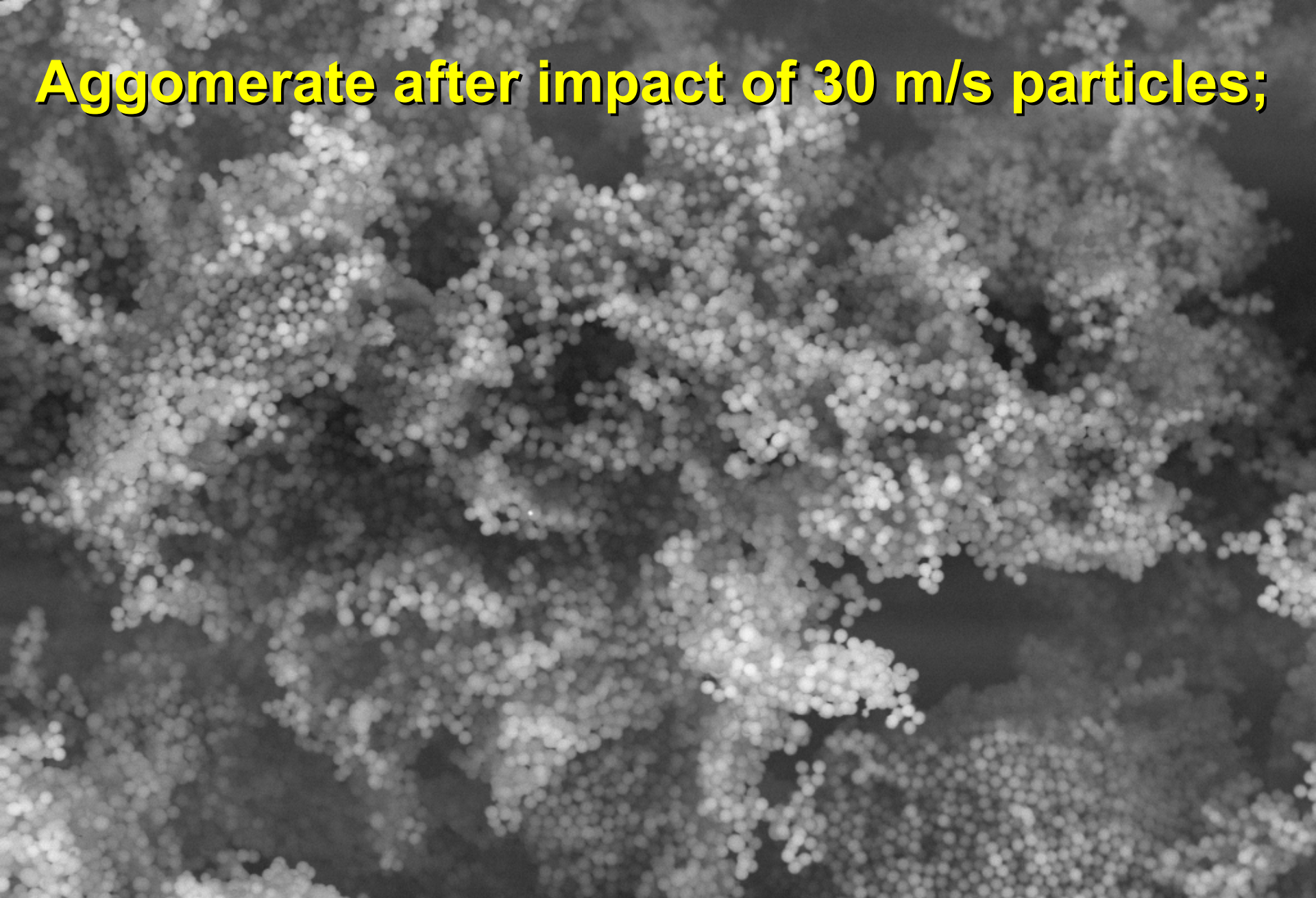
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EHT = 15.00 kV

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Agglomerate after impact of 30 m/s particles;



Kuchen 27

10 μ m



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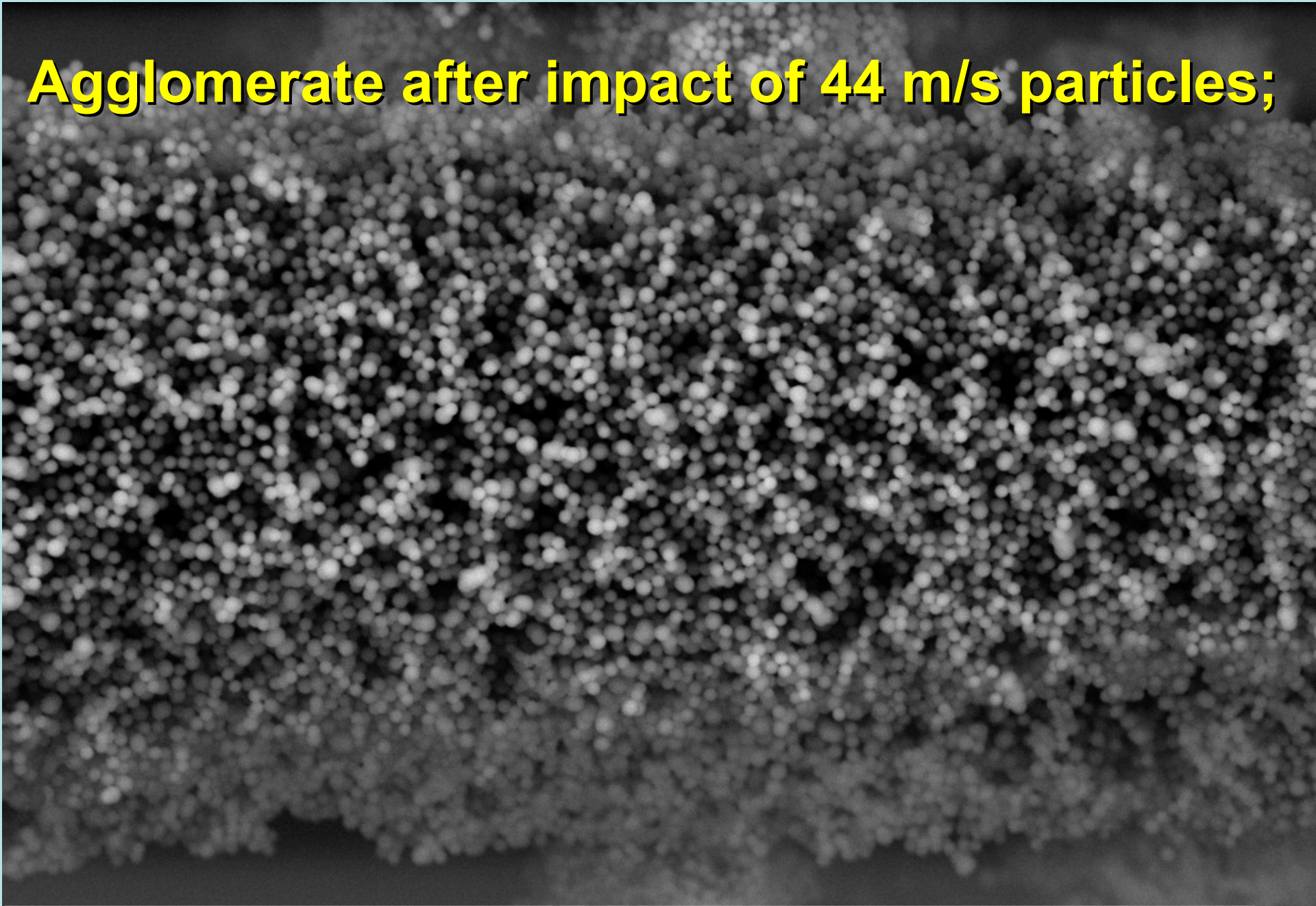
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EHT = 15.00 kV

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Agglomerate after impact of 44 m/s particles;



Kuchen 11

10 μ m



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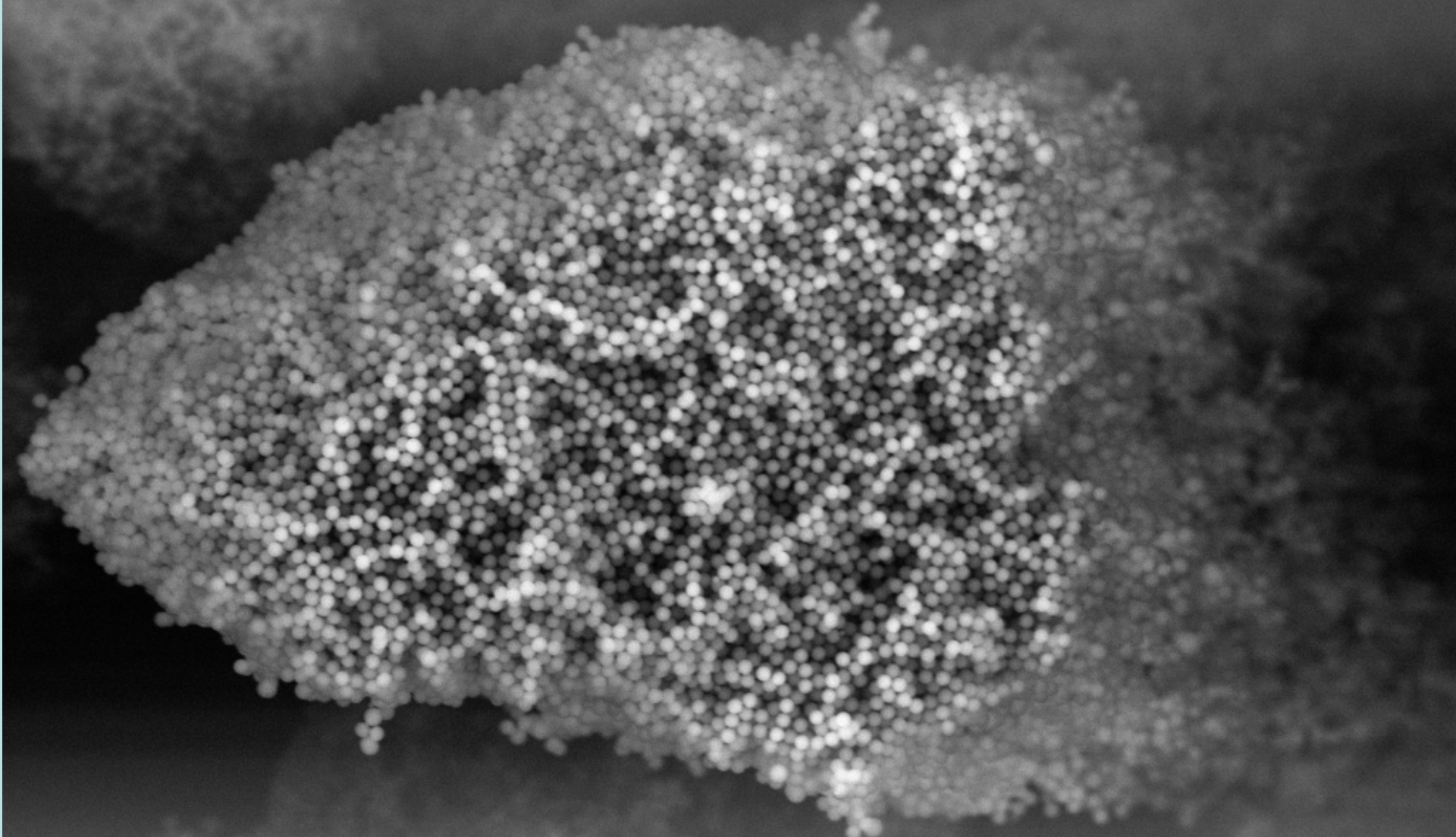
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EHT = 15.00 kV

Time :13:11:25

Agglomerate after impact of 59 m/s particles;



Kuchen 15

10 μ m



Mag = 1.00 K X

Photo No = 1539

Date :22 May 2007

WD = 8 mm

EHT = 15.00 kV

Time :13:05:24

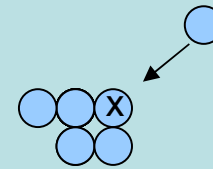
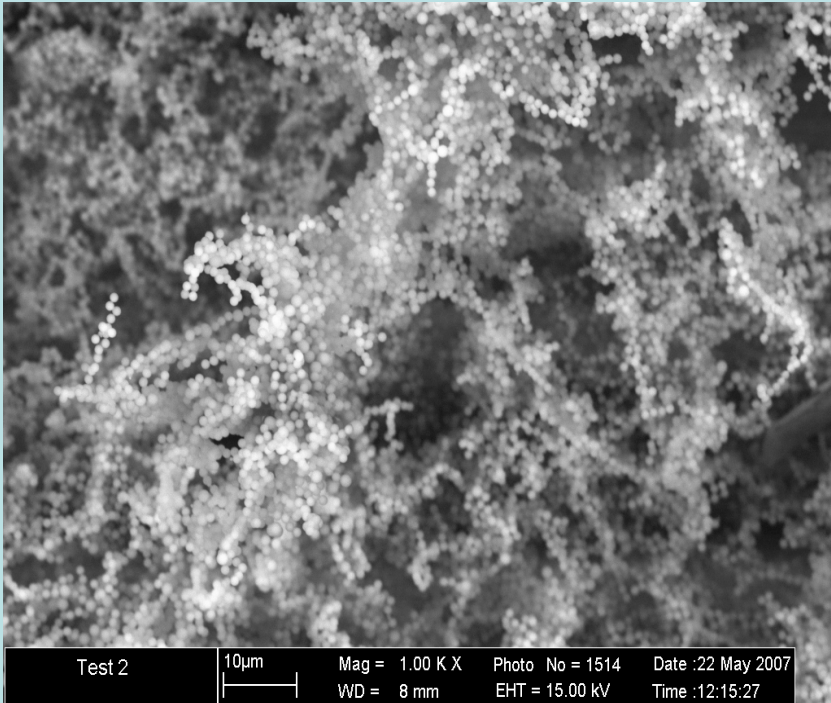
Model (first part)

effective mass $m_{\text{eff}} = m (1 + C n)$ (Konstandopoulos 2000)

n: coordination number

C: rigidity parameter [1,infity] chosen:1 (fluffy material)

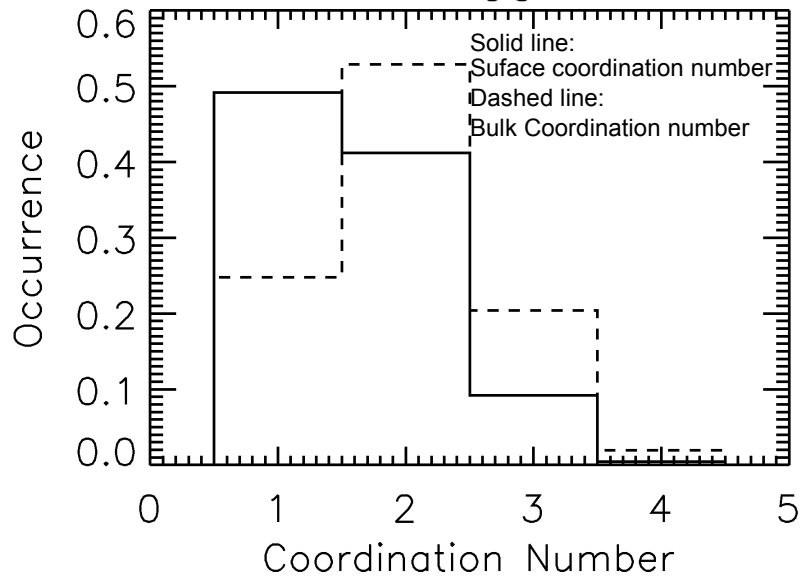
kinetic energy loss per impact 20x binding energy



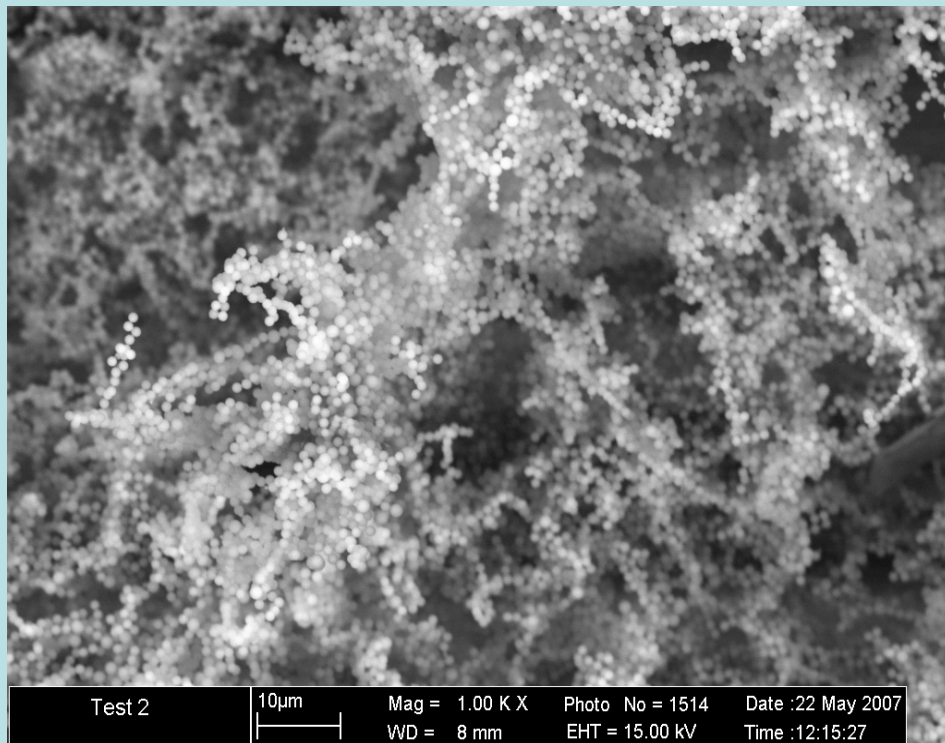
Post impact energy and momentum for X-particle and impactor are known by momentum and energy laws.

The X-particle is ejected if its post impact kinetic energy is larger than its binding energy

Simulated Agglomerate

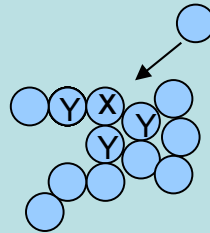


- The impact is calculated for all possible coordination numbers.
- The results are multiplied with the occurrence of the respective coordination number and accumulated.
- After each possible impact the impactor is reflected and can impact at a further agglomerate particle
 - with a probability of 0.65 (escape cone angle 95°) corresponding to the surface structure of the agglomerate
 - in average a particle impacts 2.8 times (geometrical series)

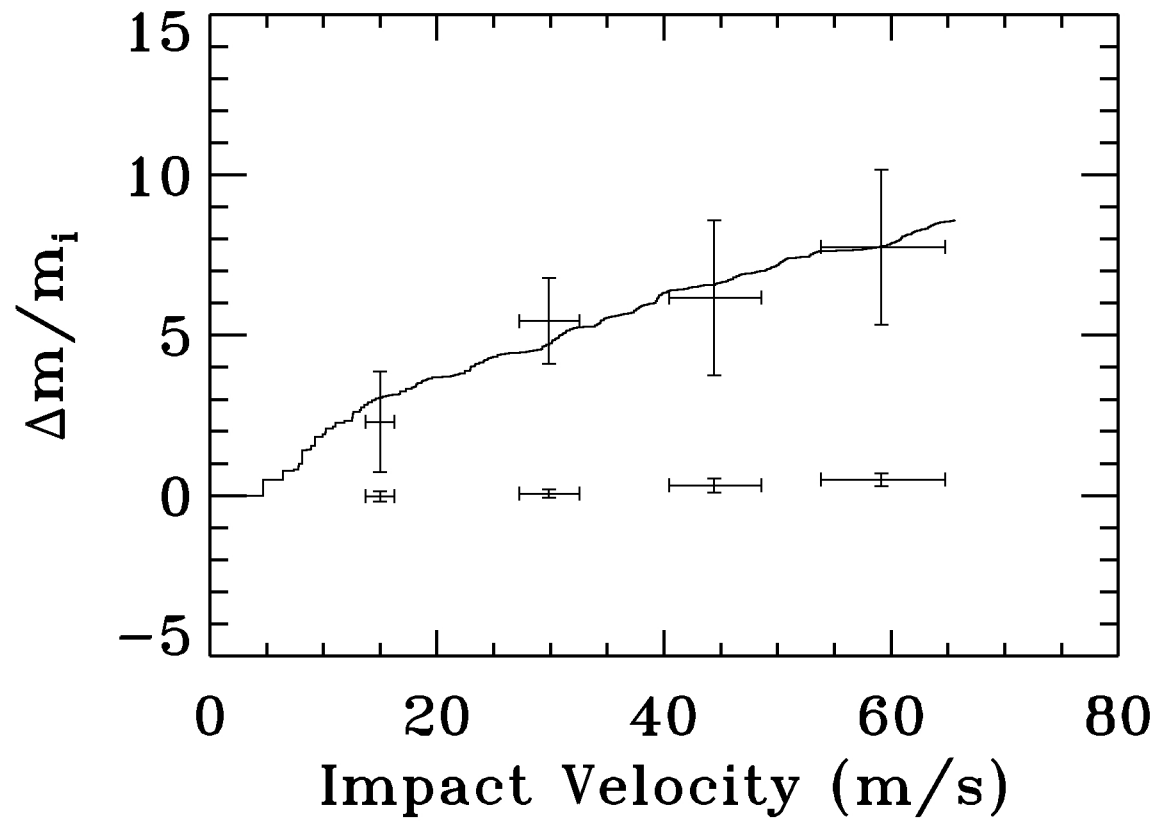


Model (second part): Strikout of several particles per impact

- The X particle impacts with its given momentum at the Y-particles
- The momentum is distributed reciprocally proportional to the effective masses of the Y-particles
- If $E_{kin} > n * E_{contact}$ the Y-particle will be ejected.
The Y-particle is transformed to a X-Particle (recursion)



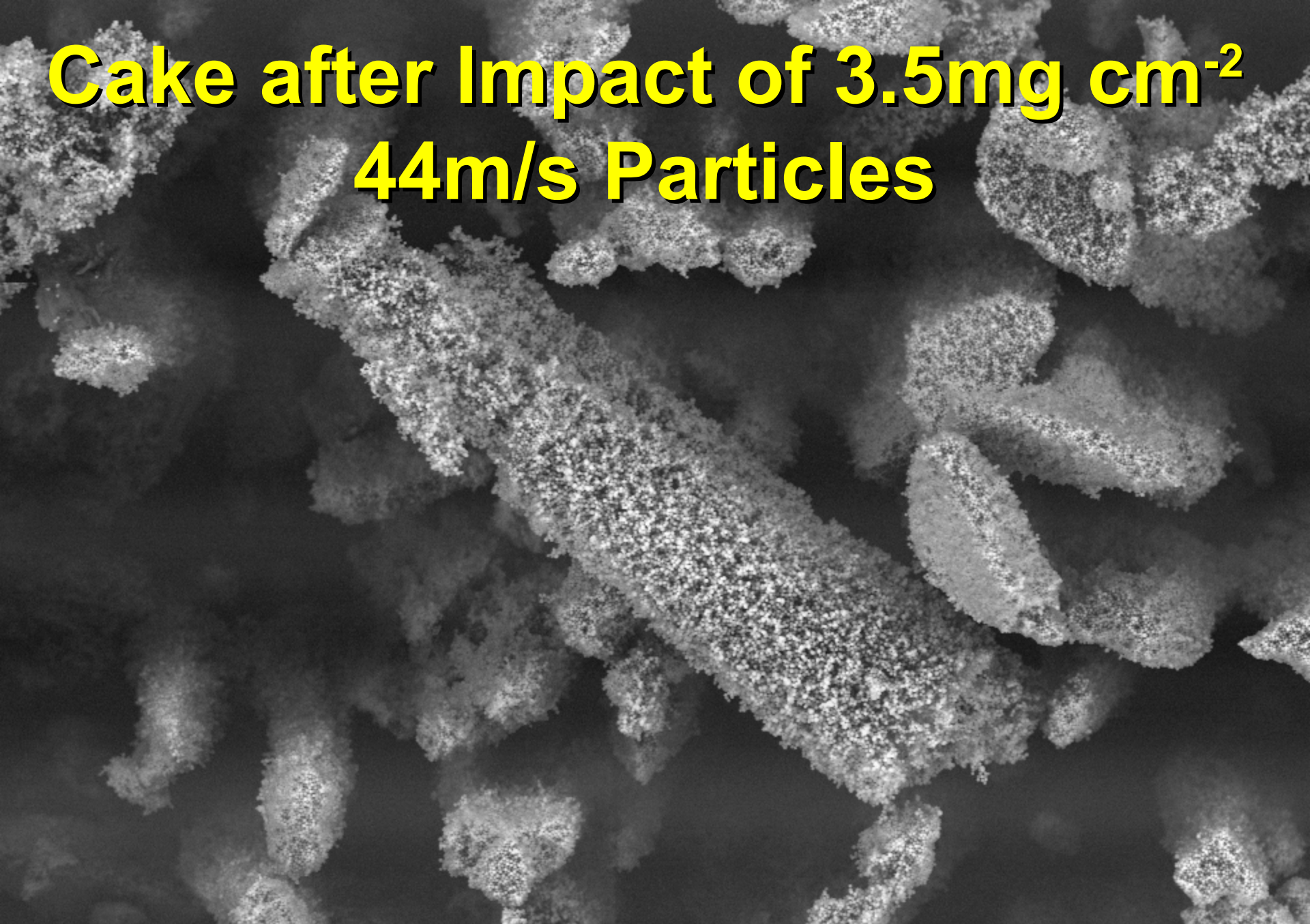
- All possible combinations of effective masses and numbers of Y-particles in contact with the X-particle are calculated, multiplied with the probability of their occurrence and added.
- The ejected X- and Y- particles will again impact at the agglomerate with a probability of 0.65.
- At high energies they release other particles
At medium energies they are reflected



Conclusion

- solar nebula agglomerates faster than 35m/s are eroded by micron sized grains and are a source of micron sized particles
- Impact of micron sized particles leads to a surface compaction of agglomerates

Cake after Impact of 3.5mg cm^{-2} 44m/s Particles



Kuchen 11

20 μm

Mag = 250 X

Photo No = 1543

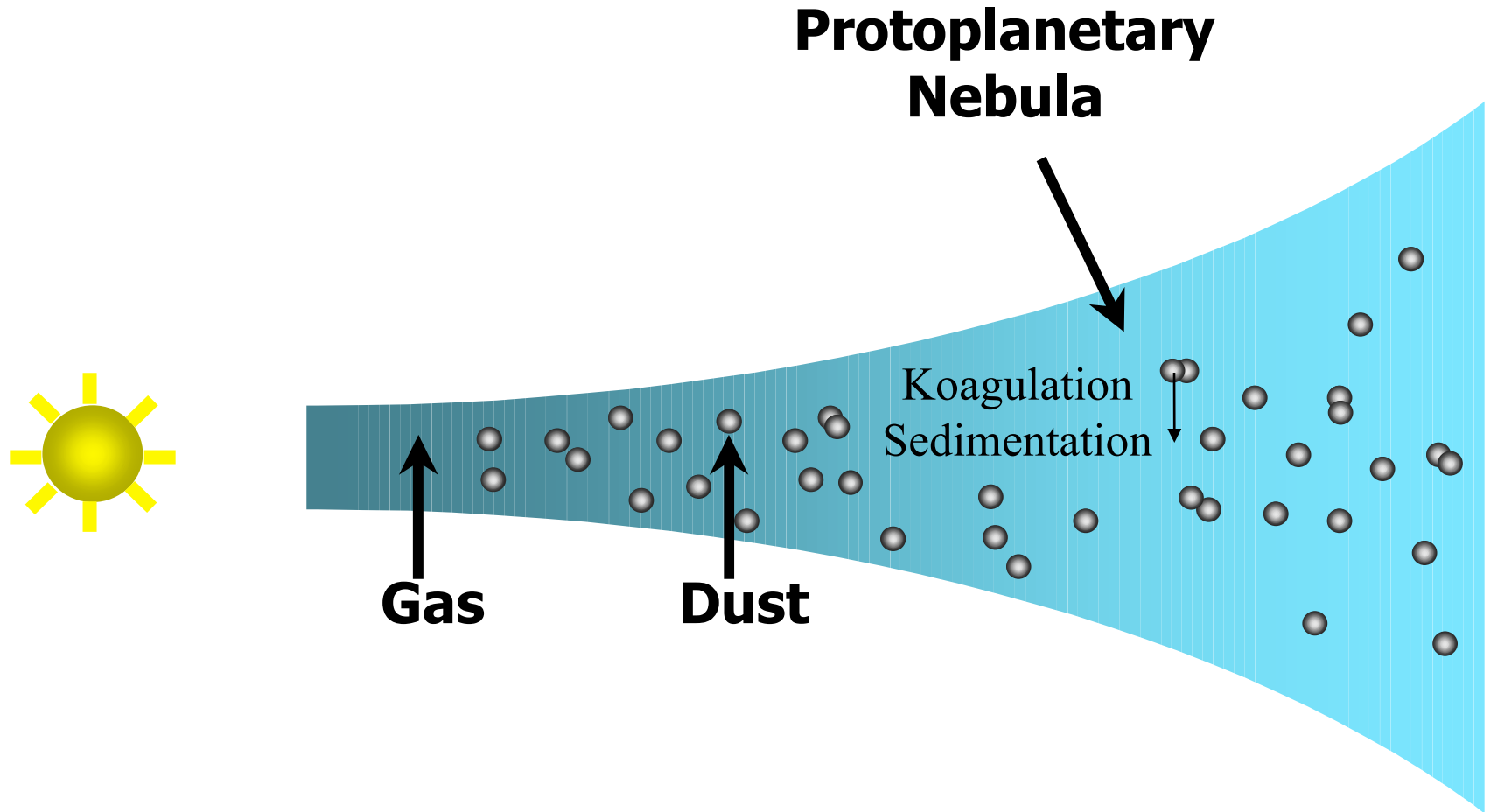
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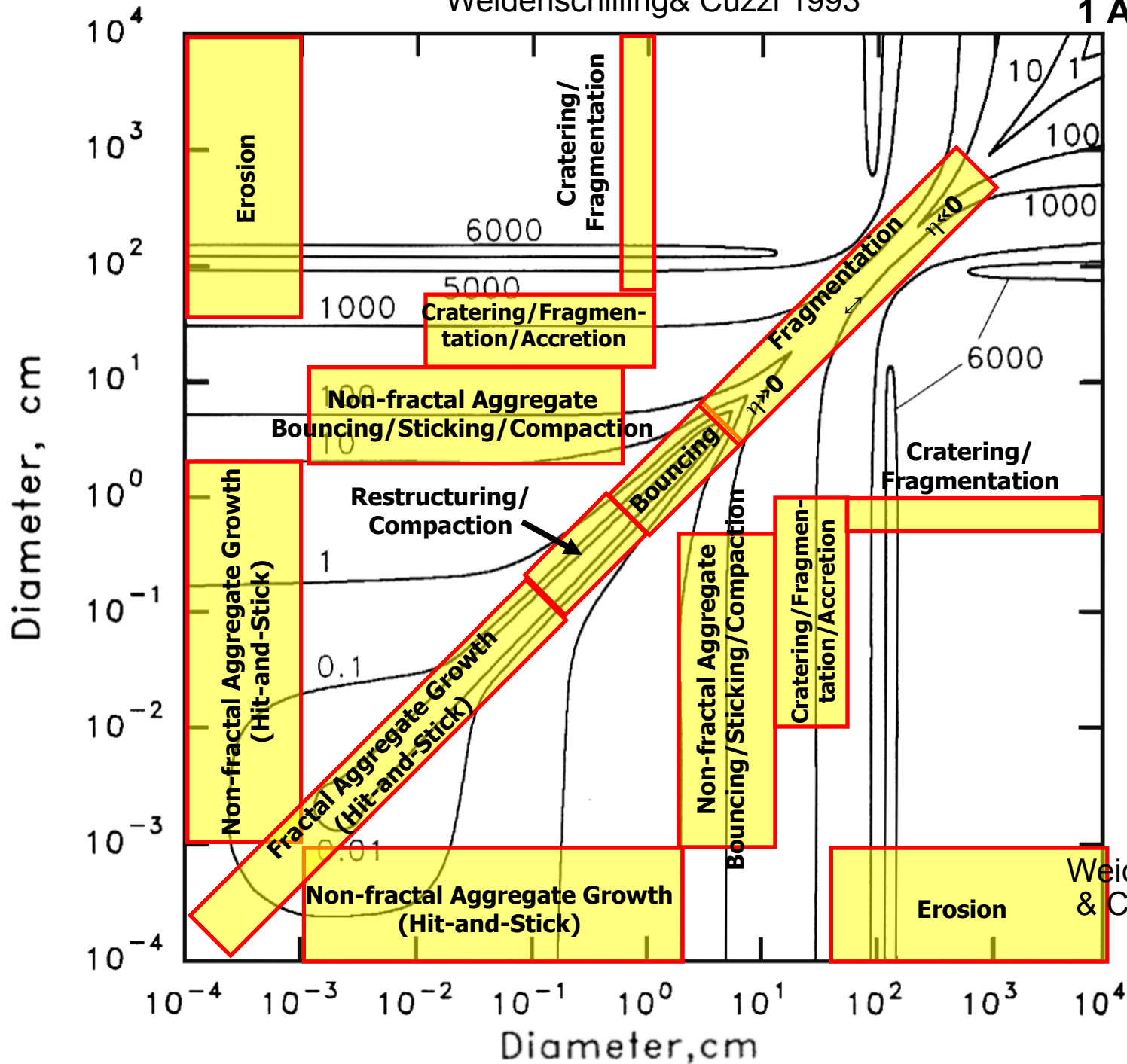
$$\text{phi} = 1 - 3.08 / (n + 1.13) \text{ (Langemaat 2001)}$$

Cake after Impact of 3.5mg cm^{-2} 59m/s Particles



Introduction



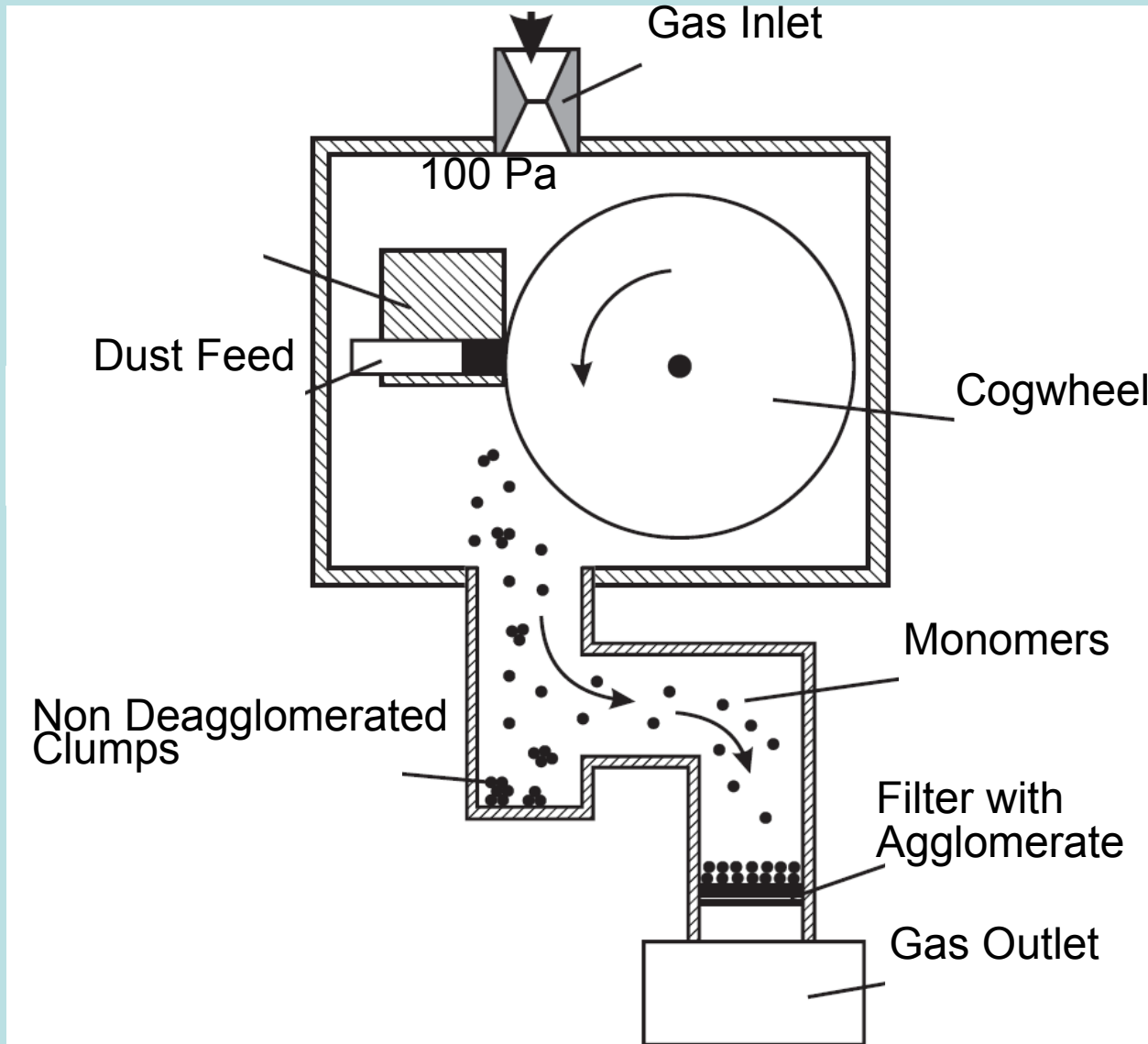


Weidenschilling & Cuzzi 1993

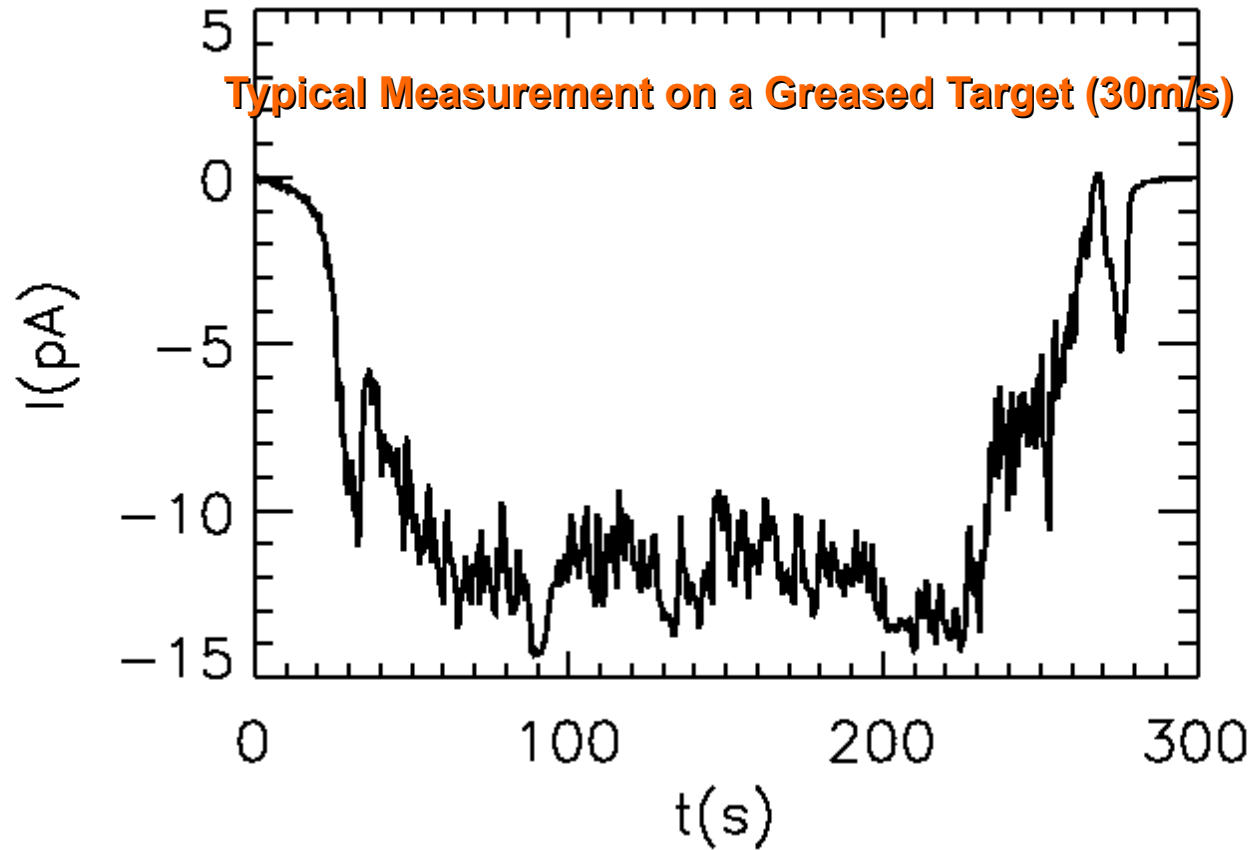
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Target Agglomerate Production

(Blum & Schröpfer 2004)

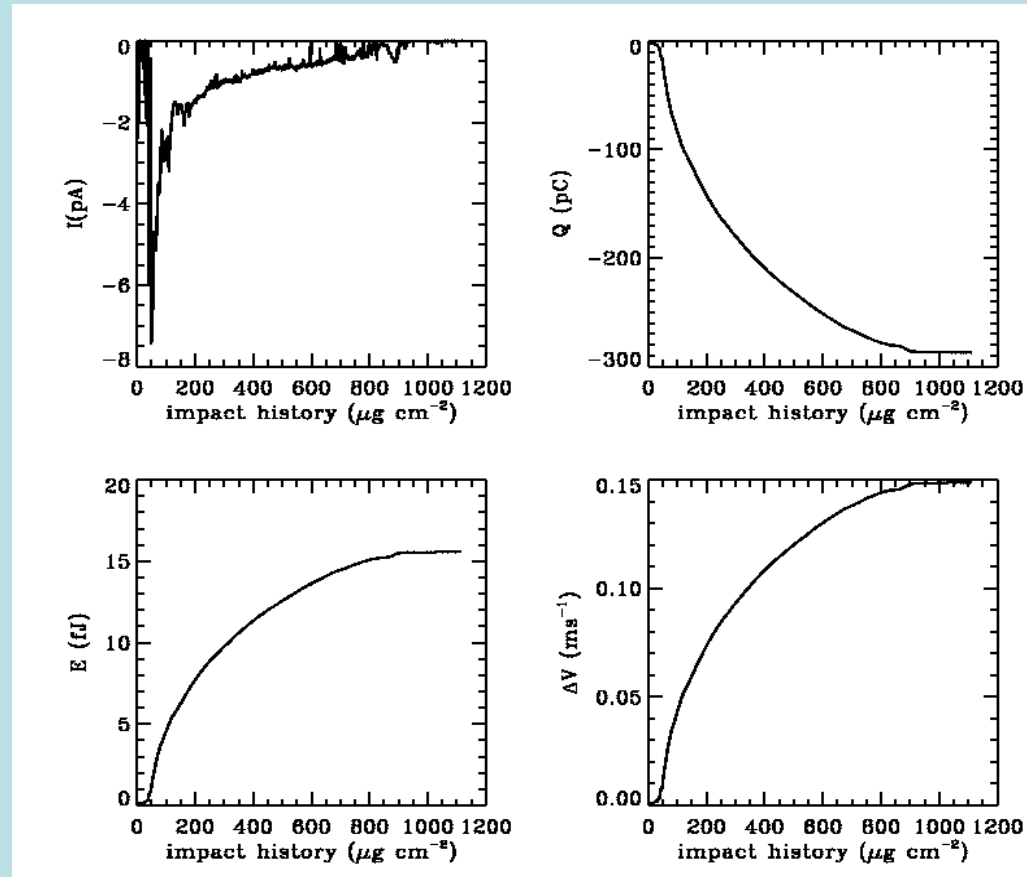


Preliminary Measurement Procedures: Tribo Charging



Velocity Loss of an Impactor on a Cake

30m/s measurement:



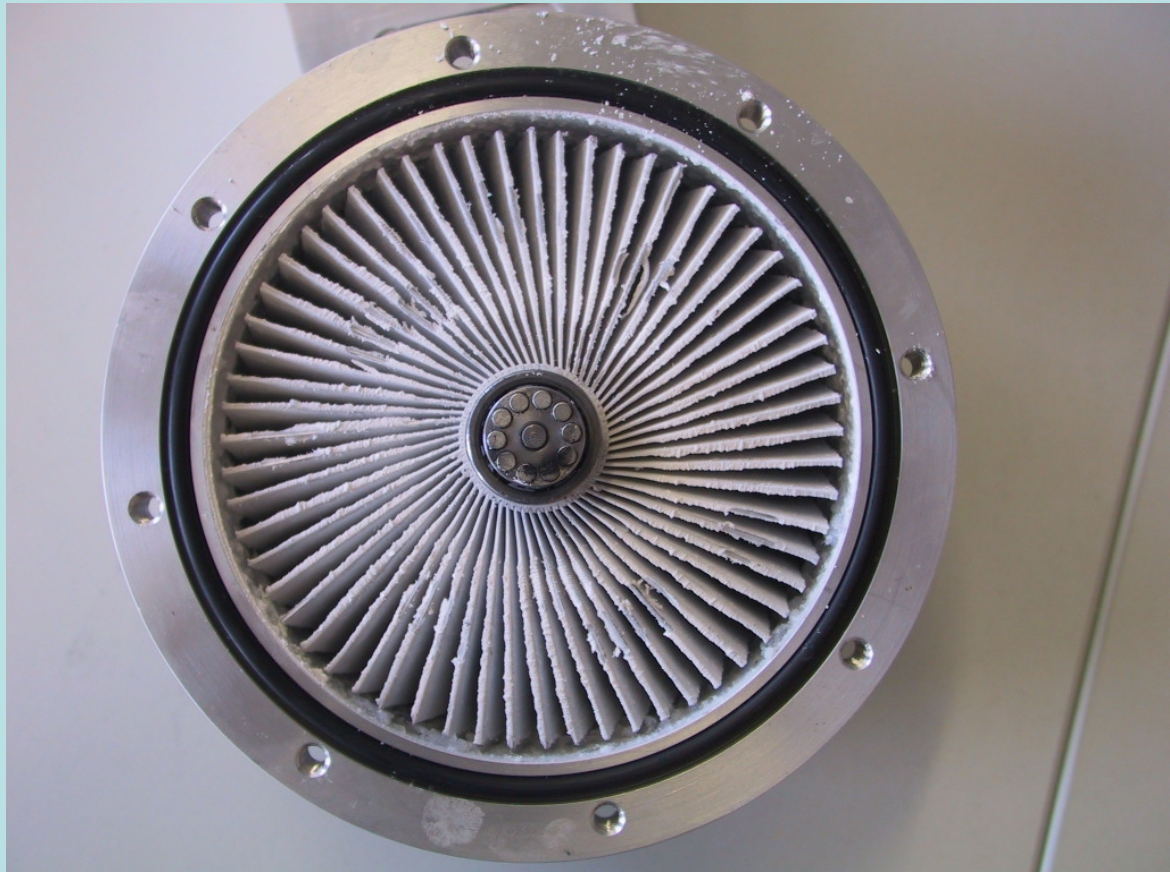
All measurements:

Initial Velocity (m s $^{-1}$)	15	30	45	60
Particle Charge (aC)	7	30	51	78
Maximum Agglomerate Charge (nC)	0.16	0.33	1.0	1.3
Maximum Potential Energy (pJ)	0.01	0.17	0.93	1.8
Maximum Velocity Loss (m s $^{-1}$)	0.03	0.2	0.6	0.9

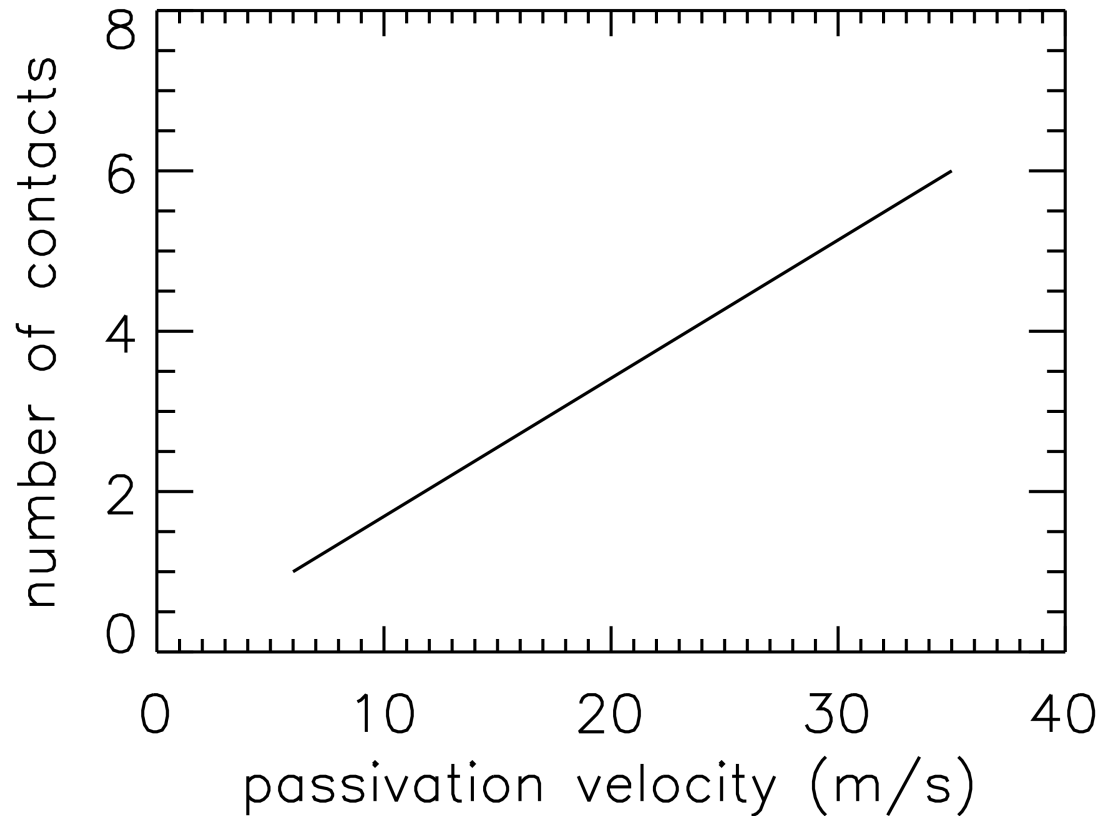
Particle Contact Force is 10^4 Times Larger Than the Electrical Force

Velocity Filter

- **Removes Agglomerates**
- **Velocity FWHM of Monomers: 17%**



Predicted number of particle contacts that passivate the agglomerate

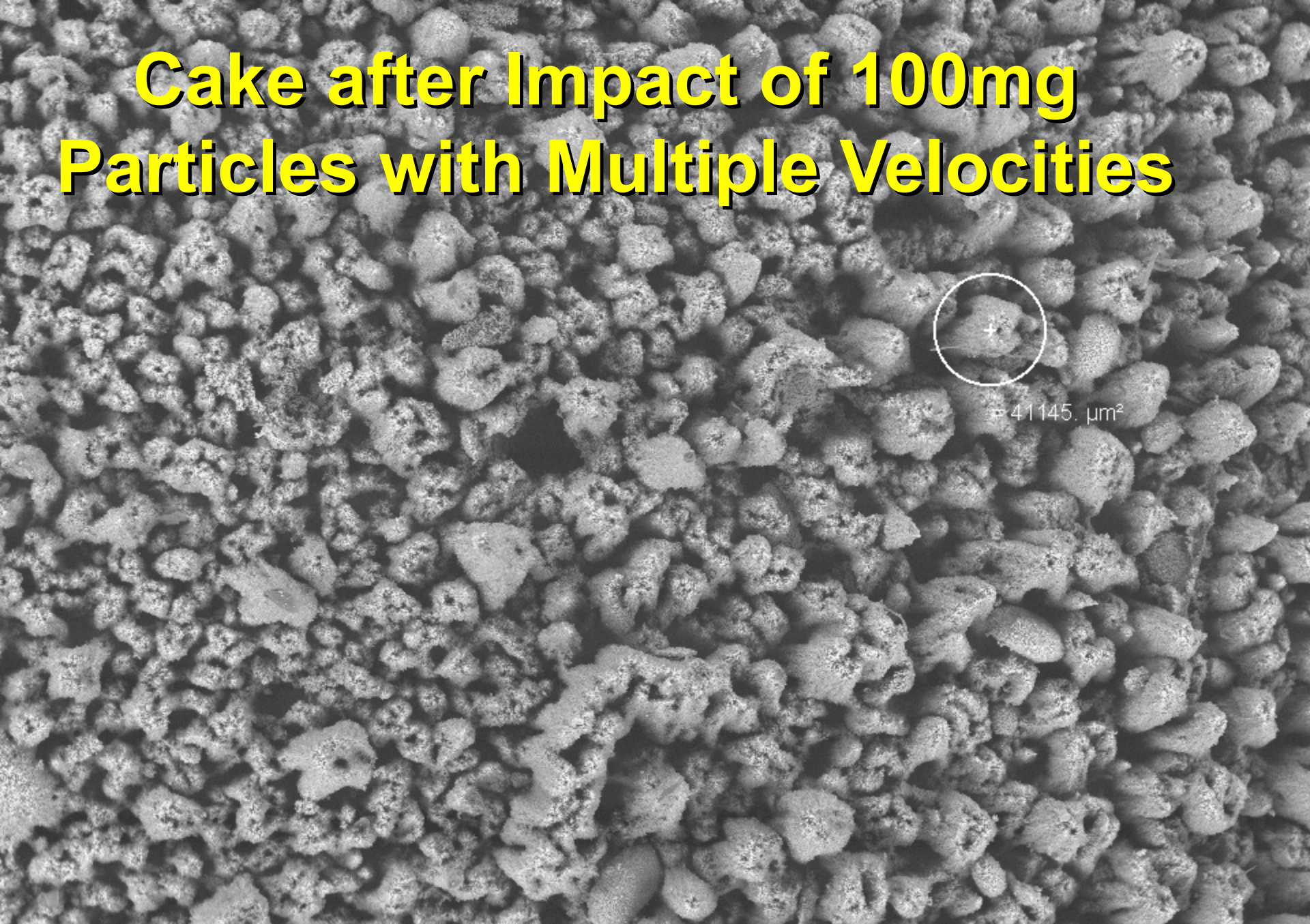


Surface Texturing

Theoretical Models of Kostoglou & Konstandopoulos (2000) :

- Erosion Strength varies by a few percent over the particle impact angle
- Erosion Minima are at perpendicular and grazing impacts

Cake after Impact of 100mg Particles with Multiple Velocities



Mega1

200μm

Mag = 40 X

Photo No = 1516

Date :22 May 2007

Cake Before Impact



= 3070 μm^2

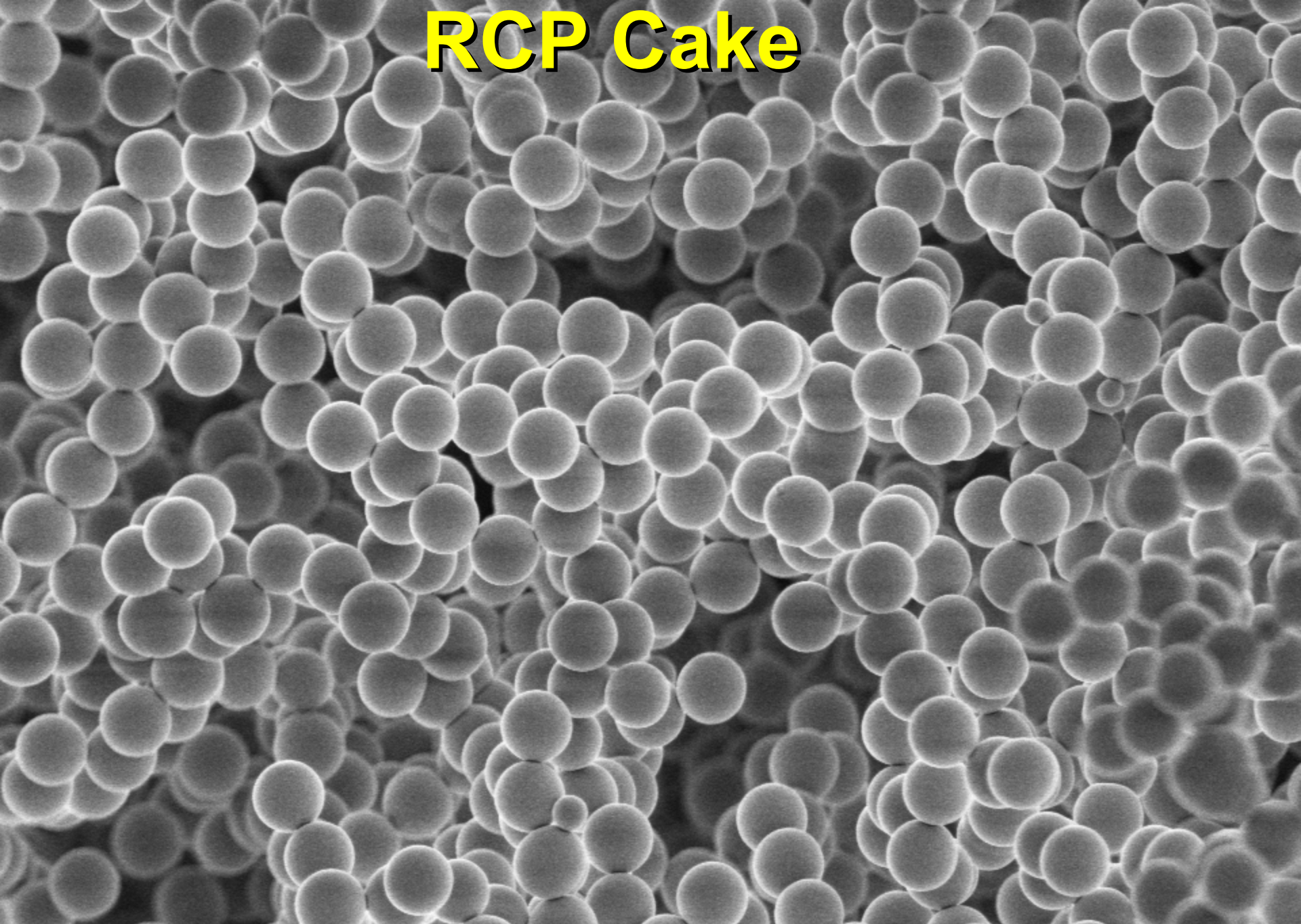
Cake after Impact of 3.5mg 60m/s Particles

Kuchen 11

2 μ m

Mag = 3.00 K X

RCP Cake



1 μ m

Mag = 4.00 K X

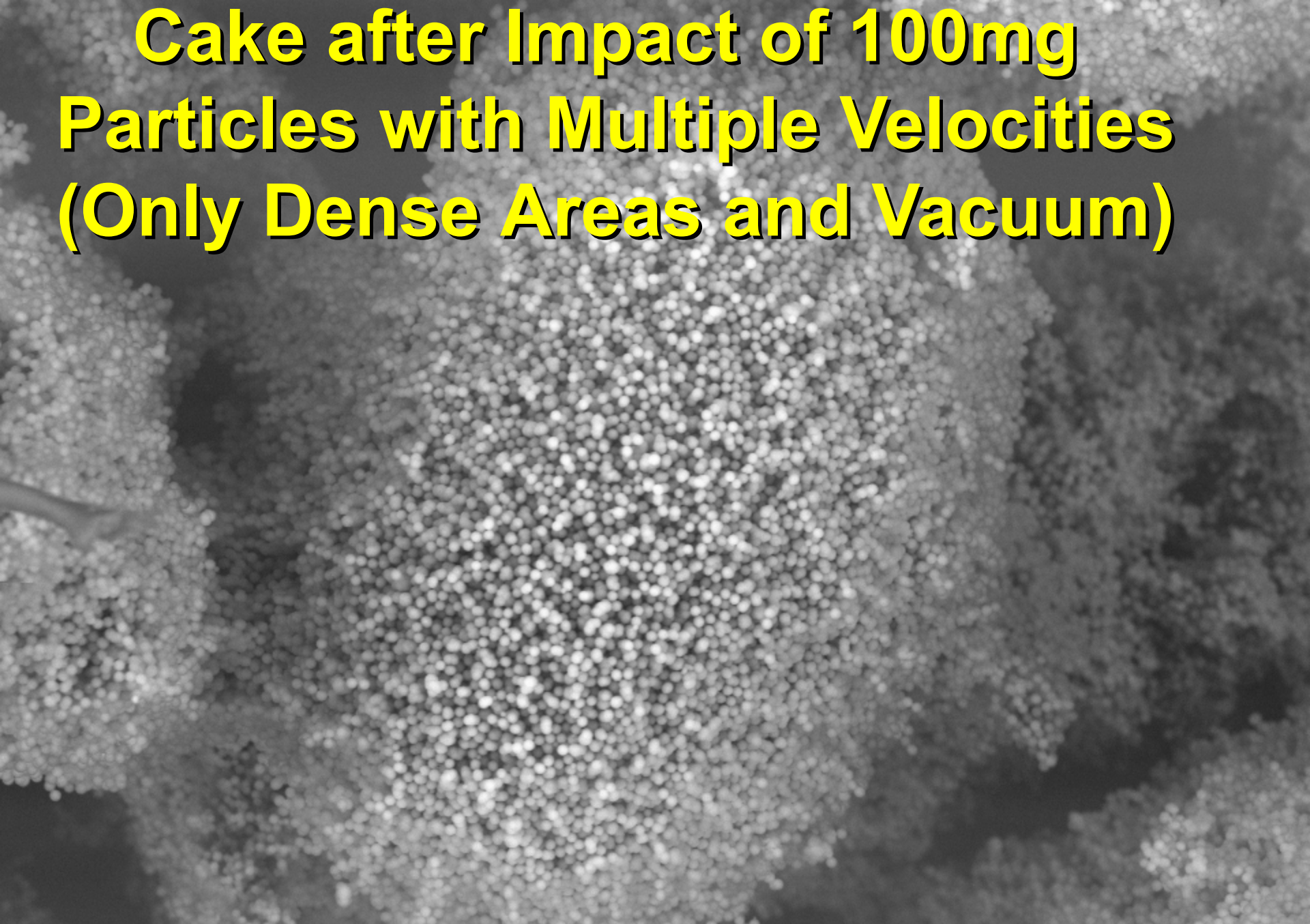
WD = 3 mm

Photo No. = 1425 Date :21 Sep 2006

FLUT = 1.60 kV

Signal A = InLens Time :15:07:10

Cake after Impact of 100mg Particles with Multiple Velocities (Only Dense Areas and Vacuum)



Mega 1

10µm

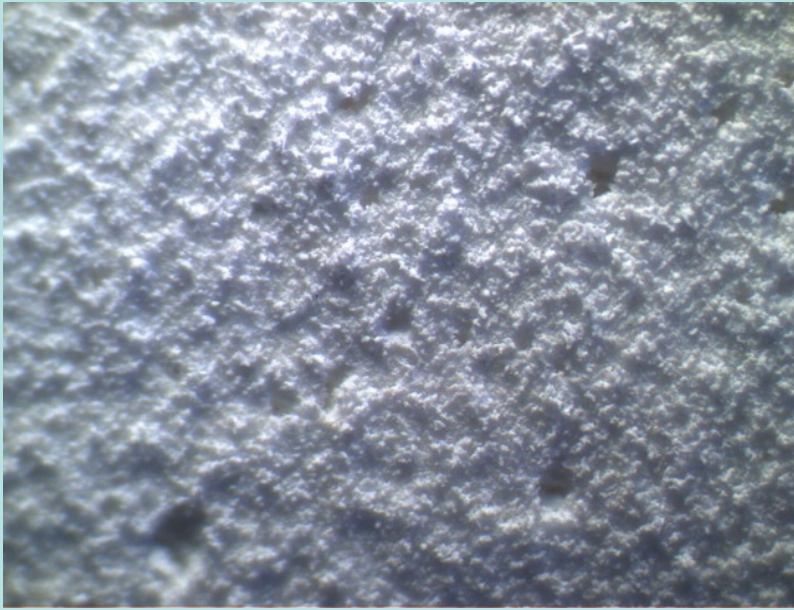
Mag = 600 X

Photo No = 1518

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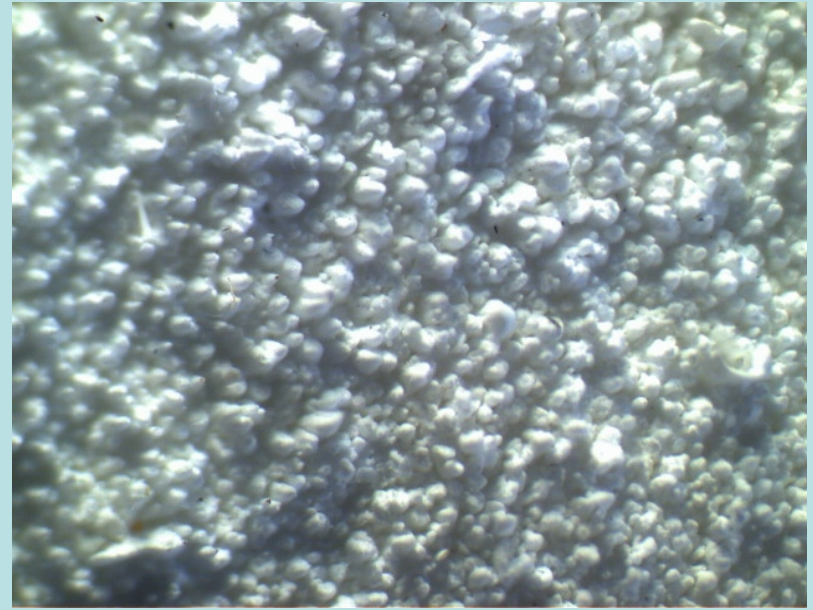
Erosion and Surface Roughness

Impact: 30m/s 4mg/cm²



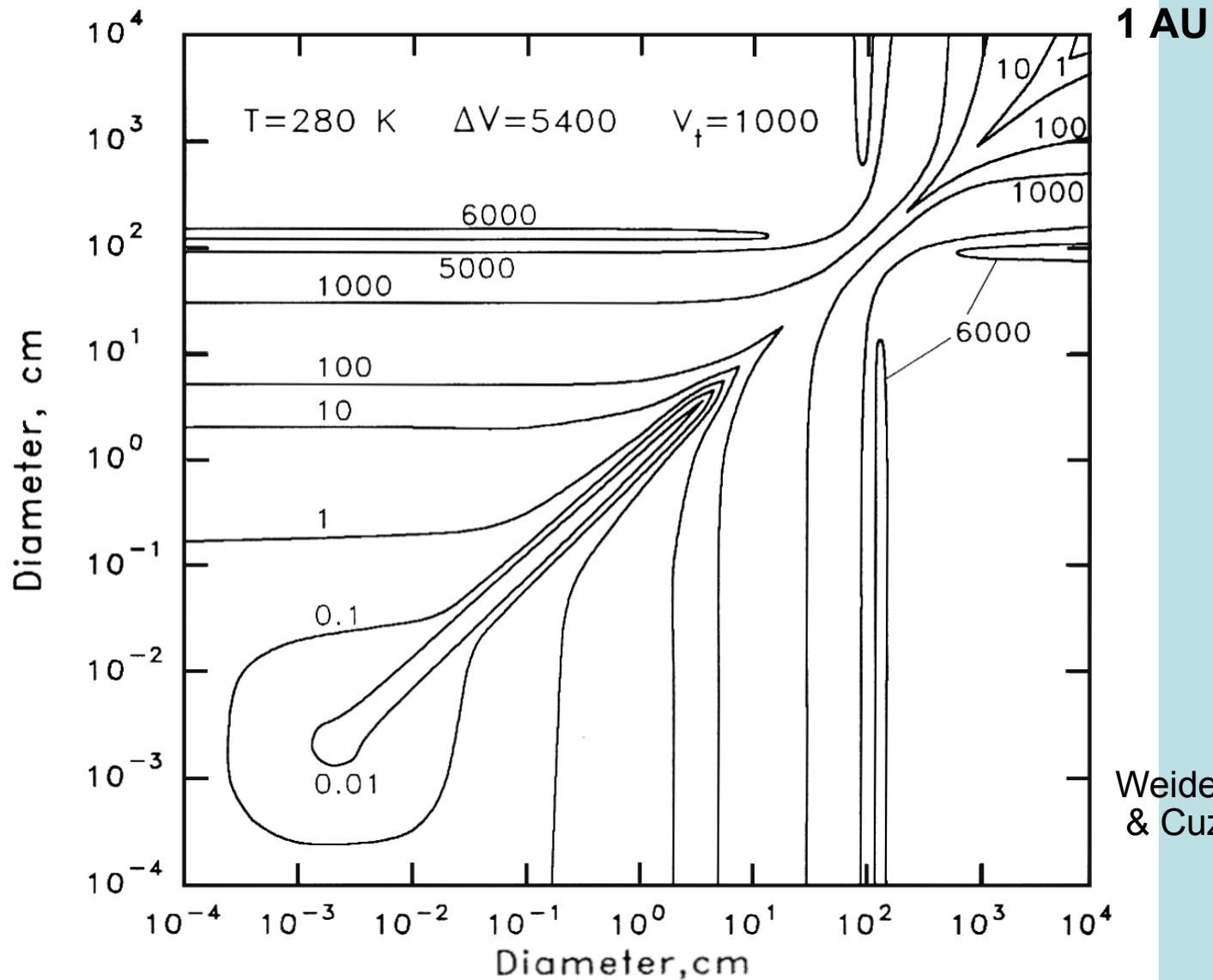
← 6mm →

Impact: Multiple Velocities 100mg/cm²



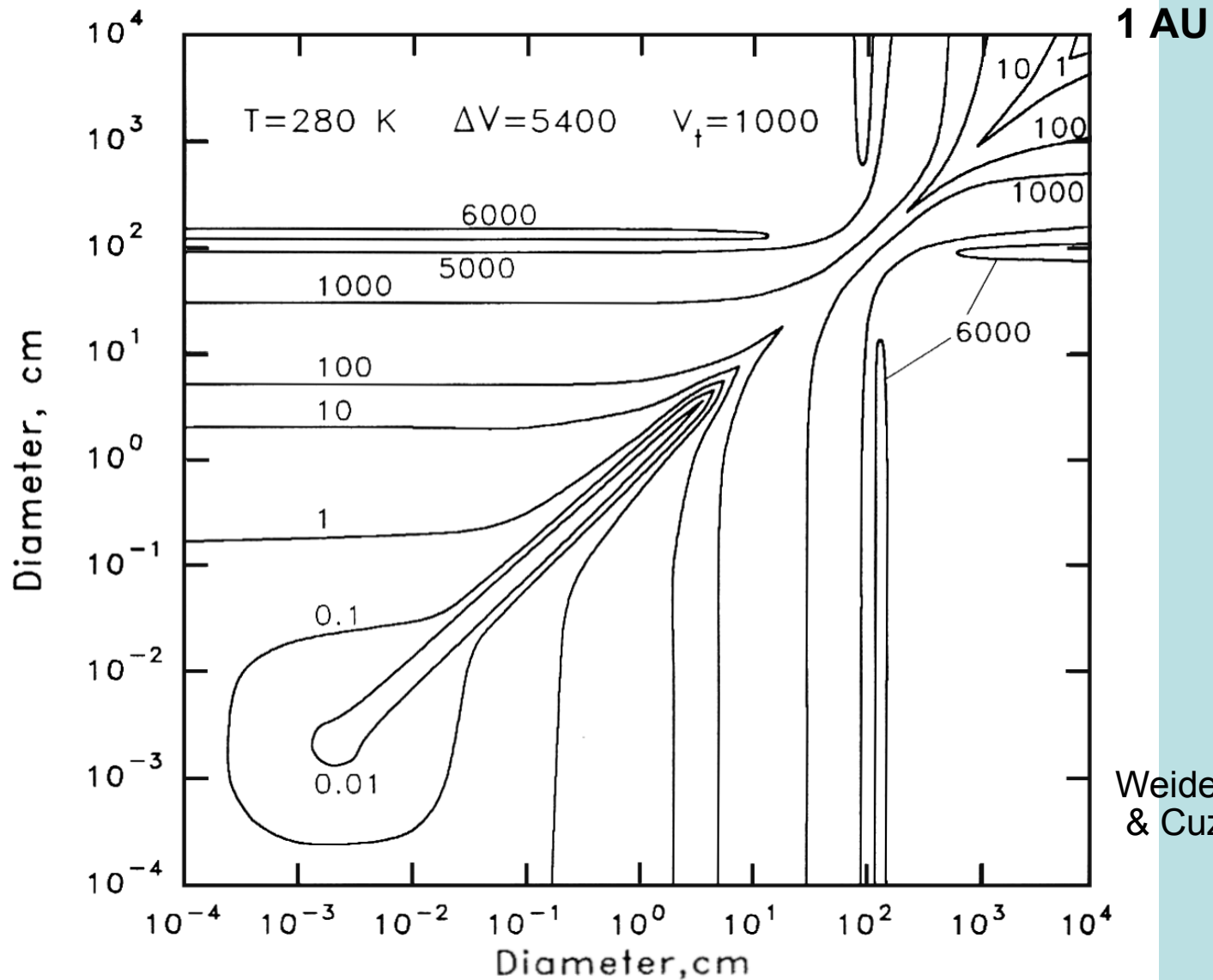
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