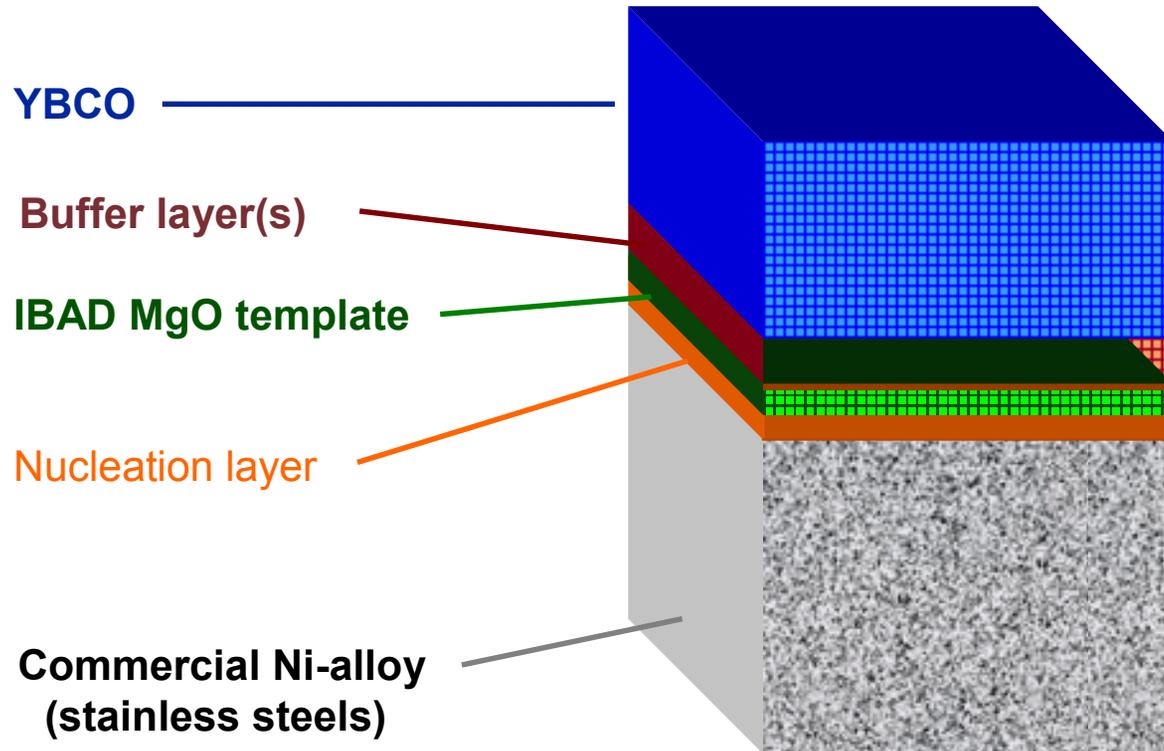


Biaxially textured IBAD MgO templates

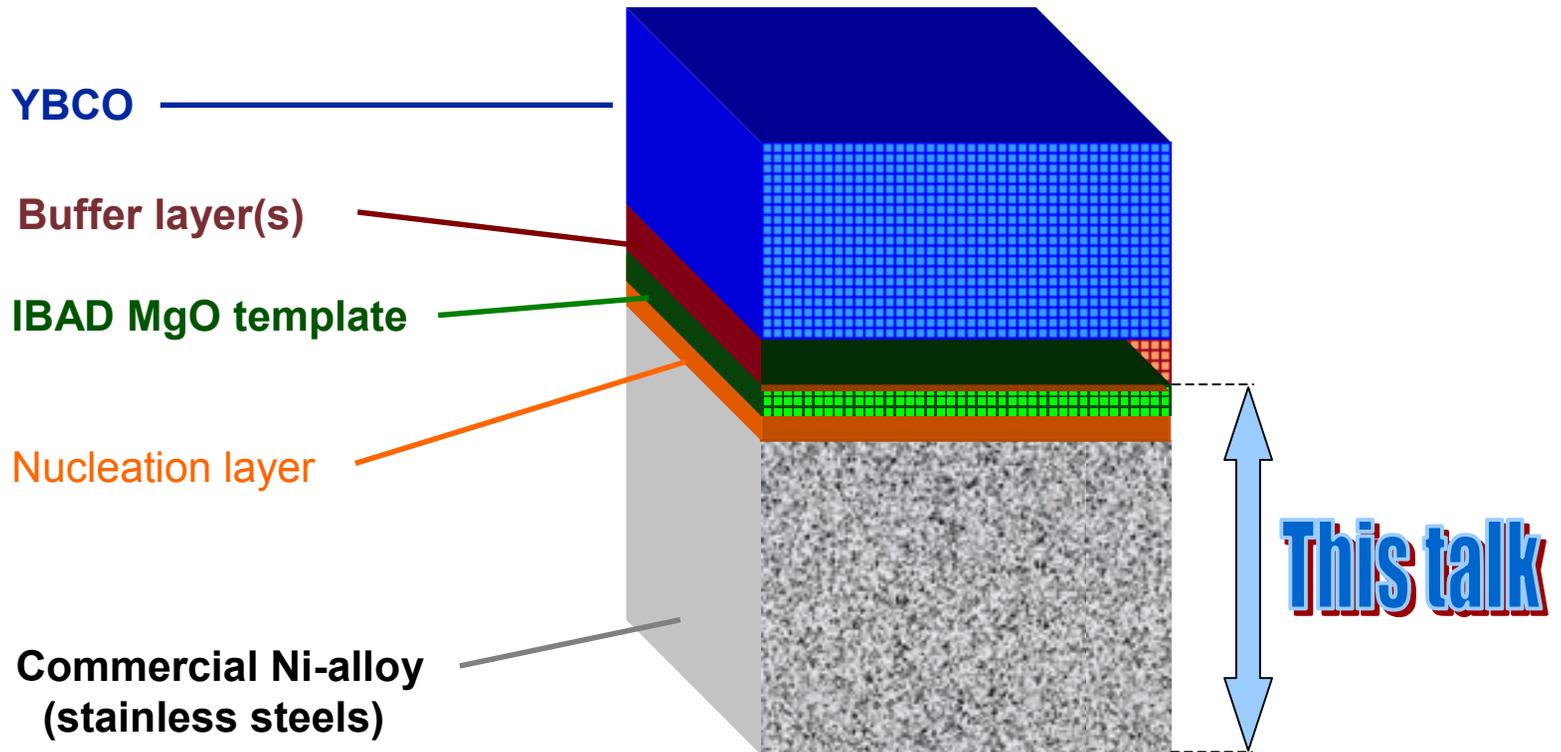
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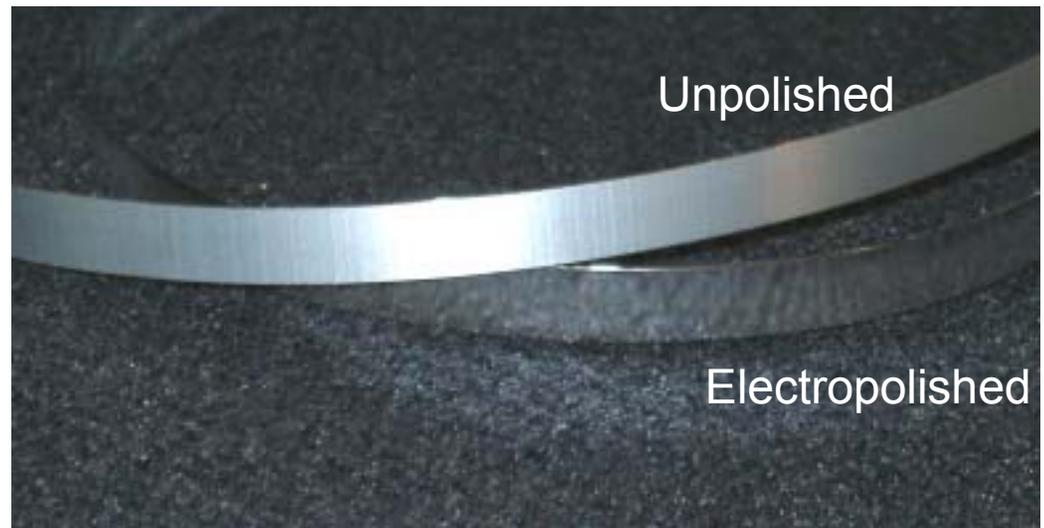


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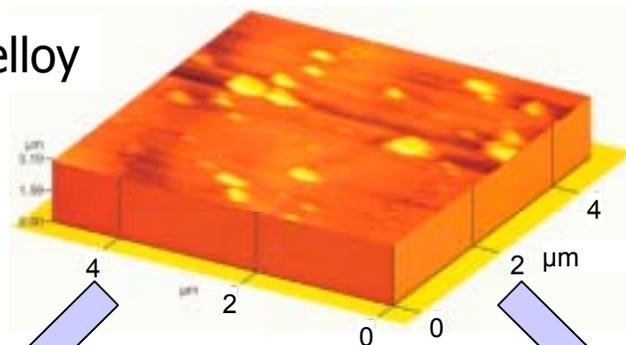
Ni-alloy substrate finishing uses standard industrial processing technique

- Coated conductors using IBAD MgO templates require metal substrates which possess smooth (~ 1 nm) and clean surfaces
- Industrial-type electro polishing equipment processes reels of metal tape
- Capable of reel-to-reel polishing of tape at high speed up to km lengths



Fine Scale Surface Structure - AFM

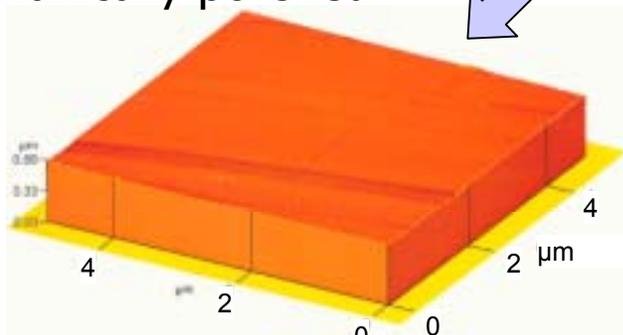
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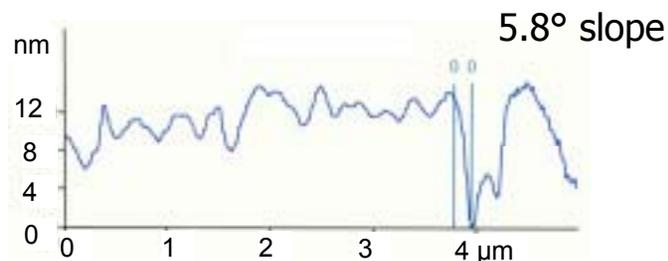
RMS roughness
(AFM 5 x 5 μm):

- 17 nm (avg.), 7 nm (line)

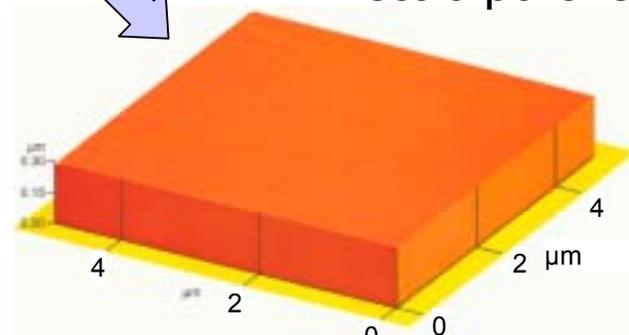
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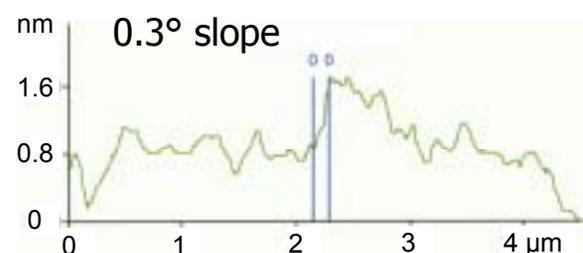
- 3 nm (avg.), 0.3 - 13 nm (line)



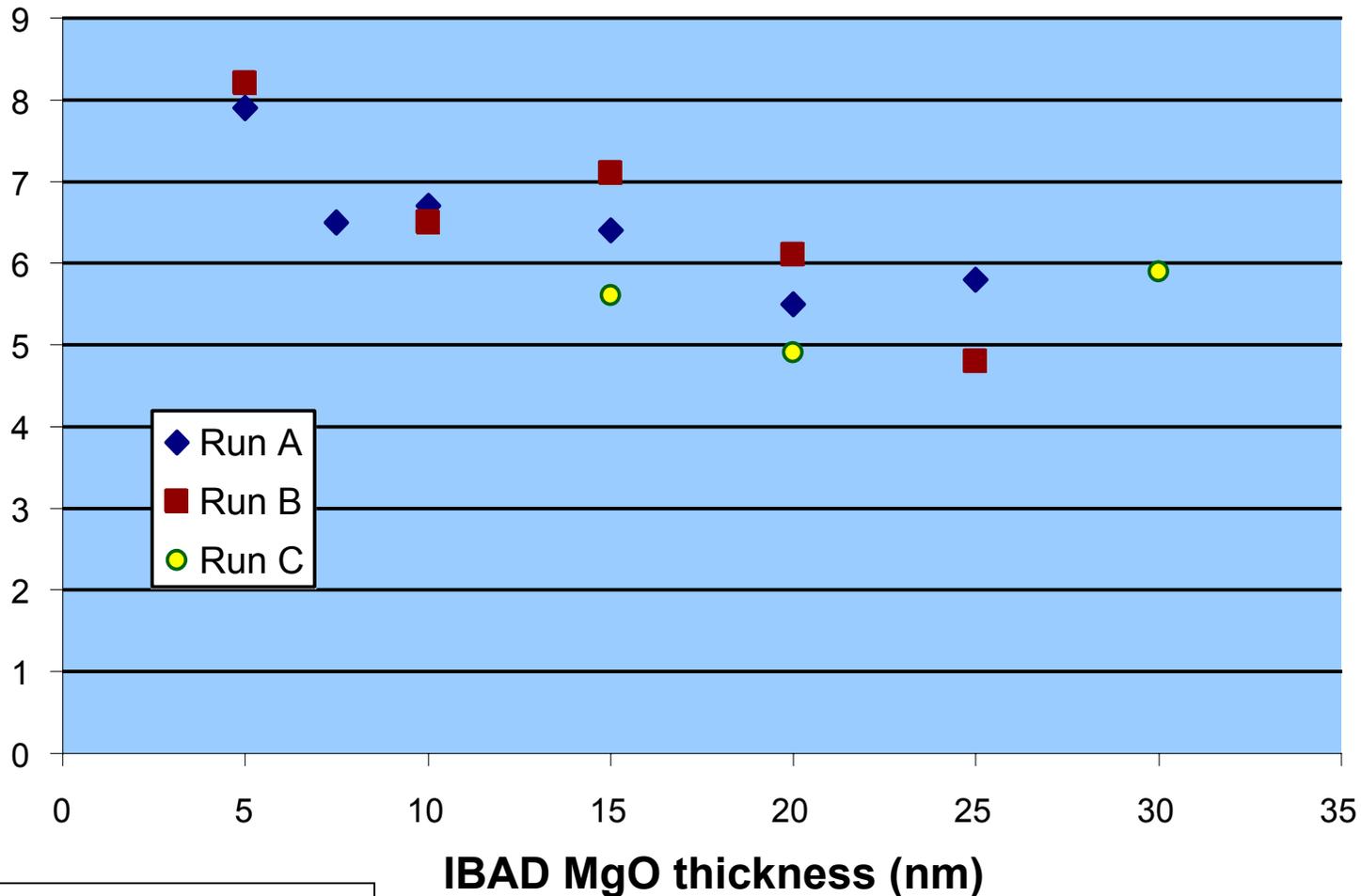
Electro polished



- 0.4 nm (avg.), 0.2 - 0.4 nm (line)



In-plane texture dependence vs. IBAD MgO thickness



*Homoepi MgO/IBAD MgO/ α -Y₂O₃/Si

Processing speed for IBAD MgO deposition

Current (reel-to-reel system)

~ 0.1 nm/s with 12 cm x 1 cm deposition zone
(Deposit 9 nm thick template)
⇒ 12 min/m ⇒ 5 m/hr

Projected

~ 0.1 nm/s with 10 cm x 60 cm deposition zone*
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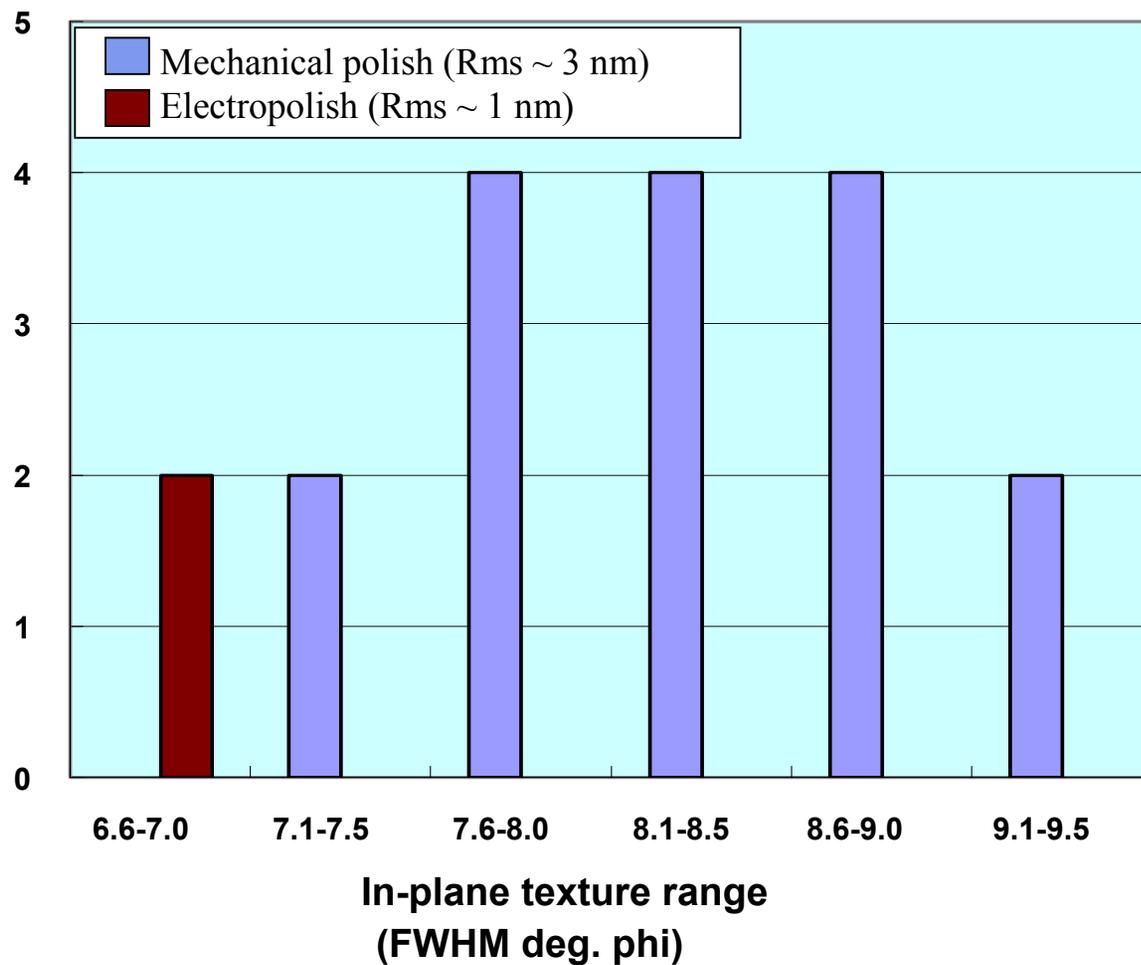
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***Initial results to higher deposition rates (0.2-0.3 nm/s)
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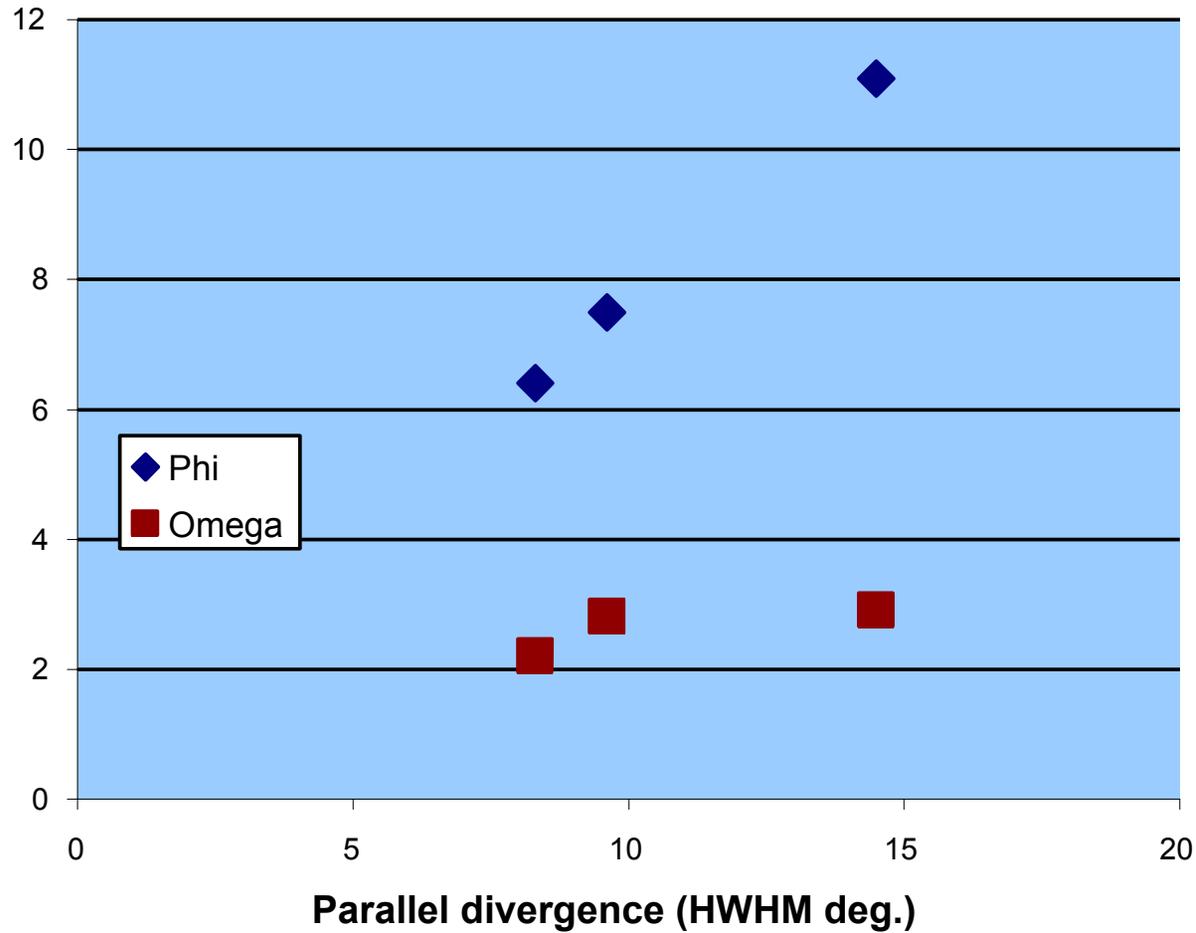
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IBAD MgO in-plane texture - reproducibility of continuously processed meters



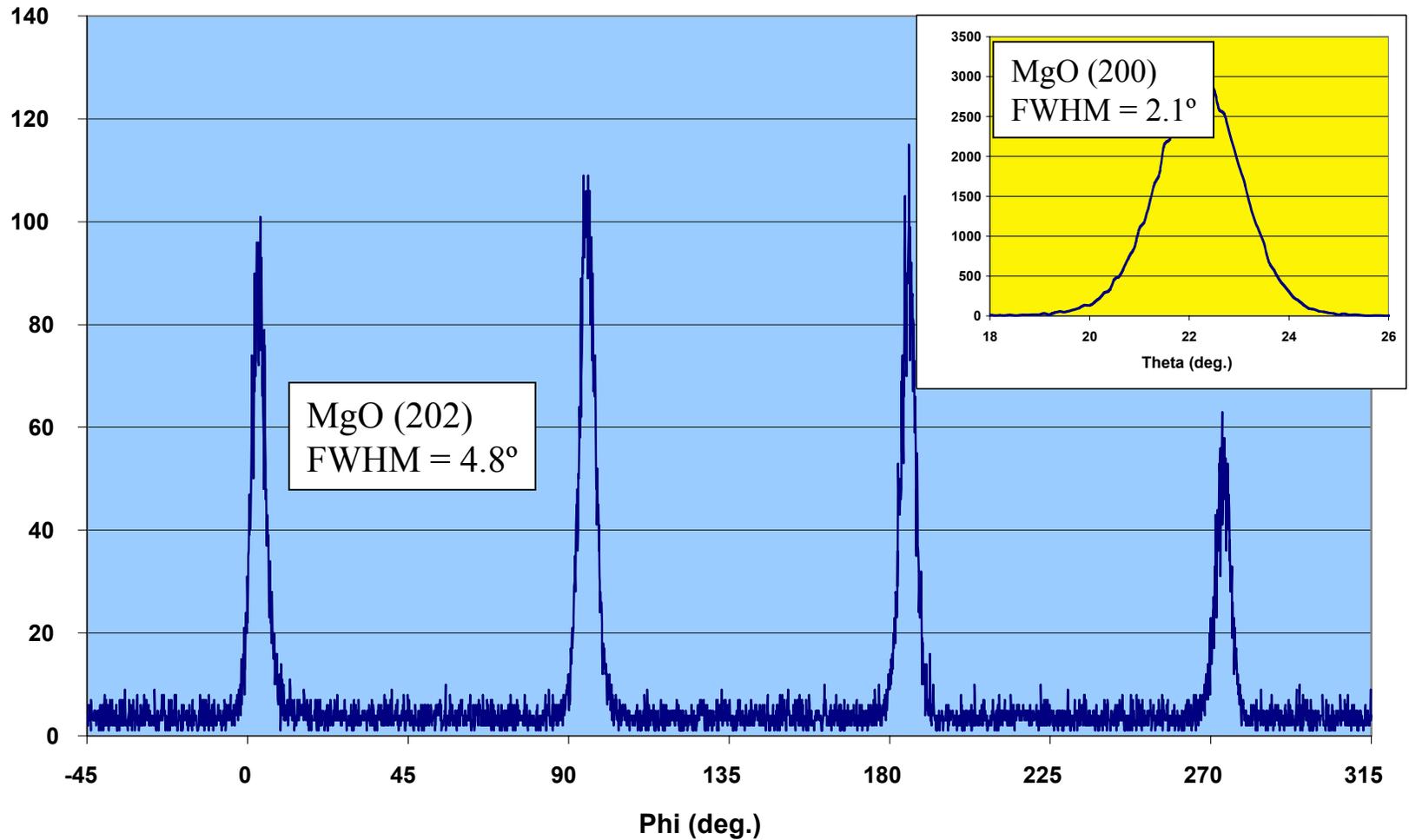
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IBAD MgO texture can be improved by decreasing the assist ion beam divergence



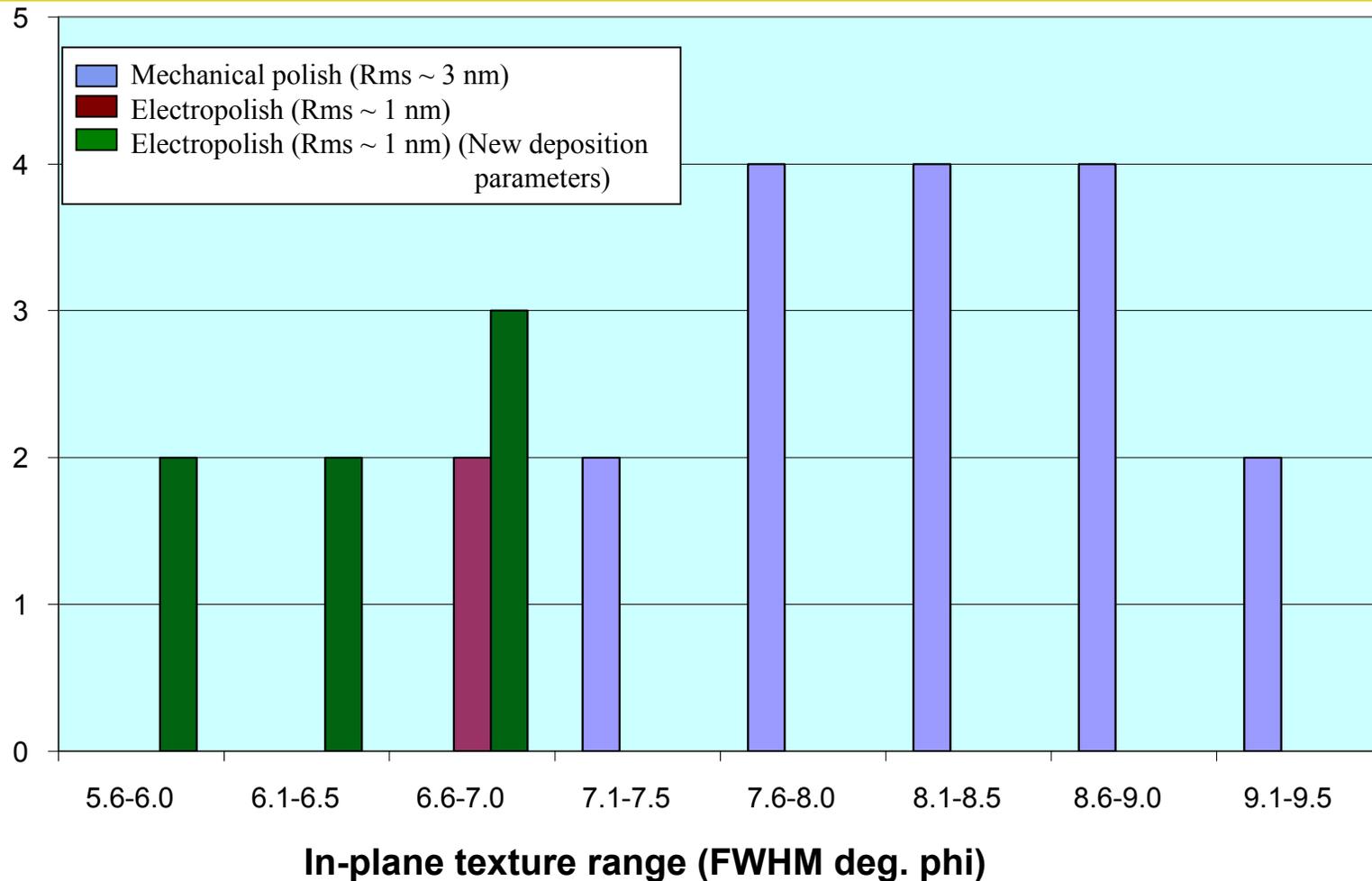
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Assist beam optimization experiments led to improved texture for IBAD MgO templates



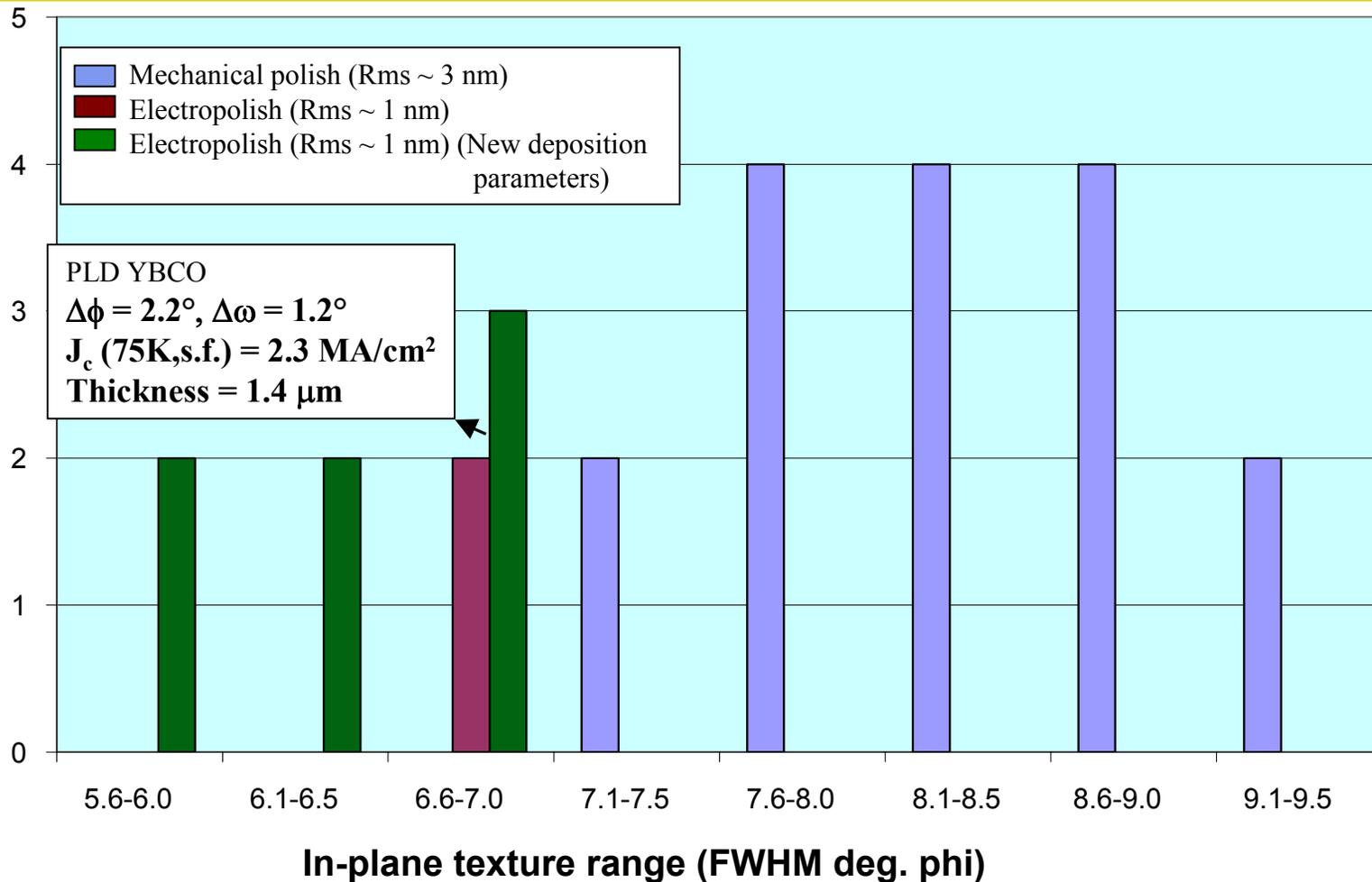
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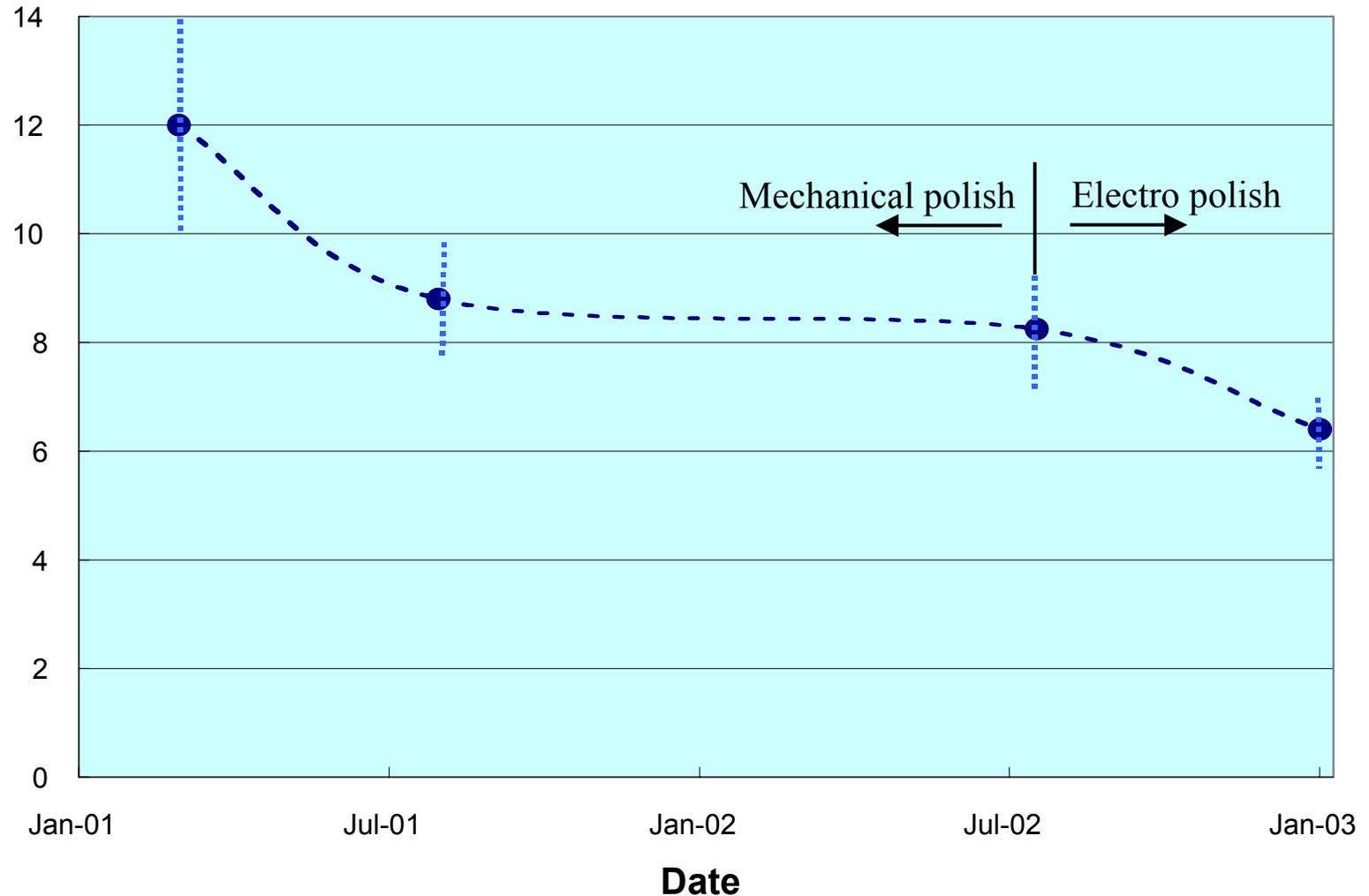
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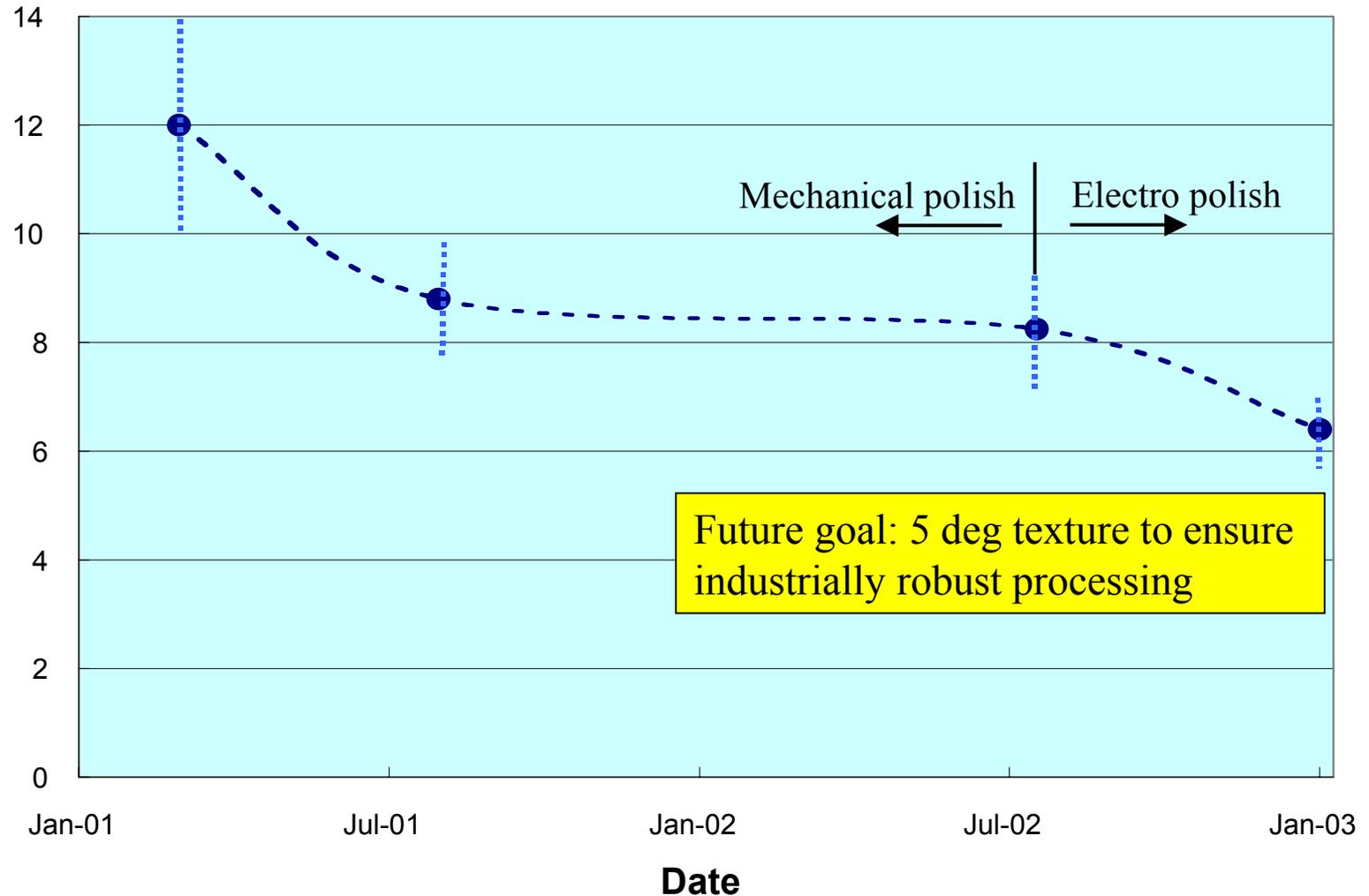


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In-plane texture history for continuously processed IBAD MgO templates



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Summary

Substrates used are commercially available alloys

Substrate polishing is done using industrially scalable electro polishing process (need to further elucidate texture dependence on surface finish)

Processing speed calculations indicate ~ 2000 km/yr per IBAD system can be made using present deposition methods

Current IBAD MgO template textures result in highly textured YBCO with high I_c , J_c properties

Future goals are to further improve robustness of template processing