

Material Engineering and Processing

RESEARCH

Overview

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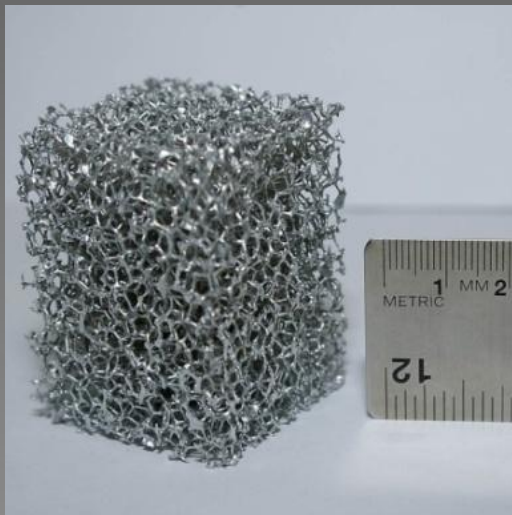
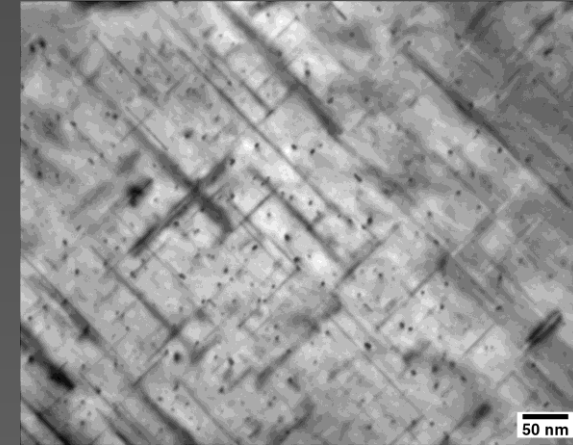
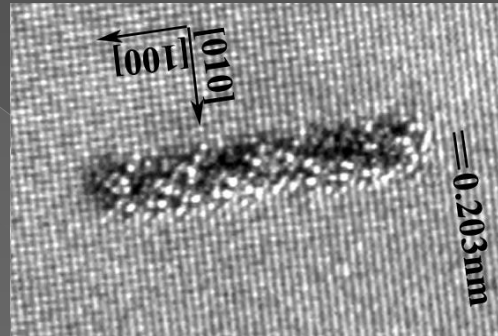
RESEARCH DIRECTIONS

1. *Extending* the properties and limitations of materials
E.g. composite materials and intermetallic alloys
2. *Developing* new materials, materials processing techniques and materials joining techniques
E.g. solidification, metal working, welding and joining, surface treatments

Professor Shahrzad Esmaeili



- **Ultrafine-grained precipitation hardening Al alloys.**



- **Metallic foams and metal-polymer hybrid systems.**
- **Modeling of process-structure-property relationships in adv. metallic materials.**

Professor Carolyn Hansson



**Students
Monitoring
Corrosion of
rebar
for Ministry of
Transportation**



**Steel rebar corrosion under Bridge St.
bridge in Kitchener**

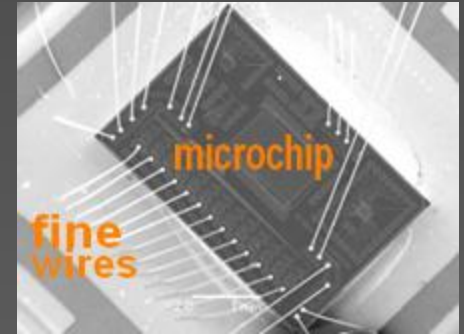


- **Durability of Concrete**
- **Corrosion, Erosion and Wear**

Professor Michael Mayer



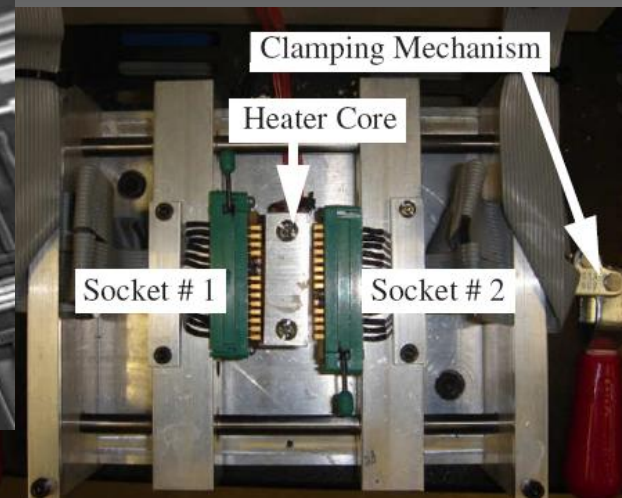
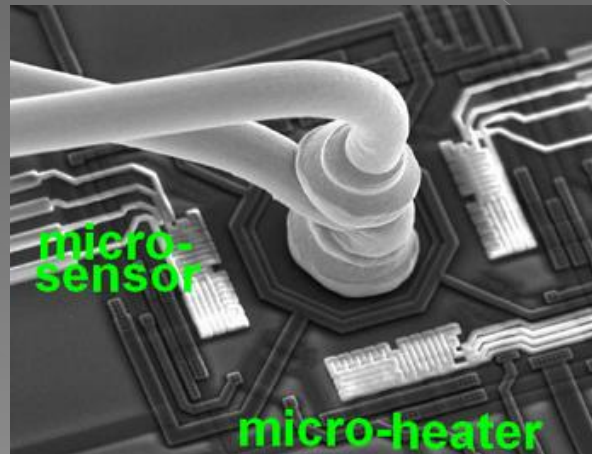
- Thermosonics for Microwire Joining



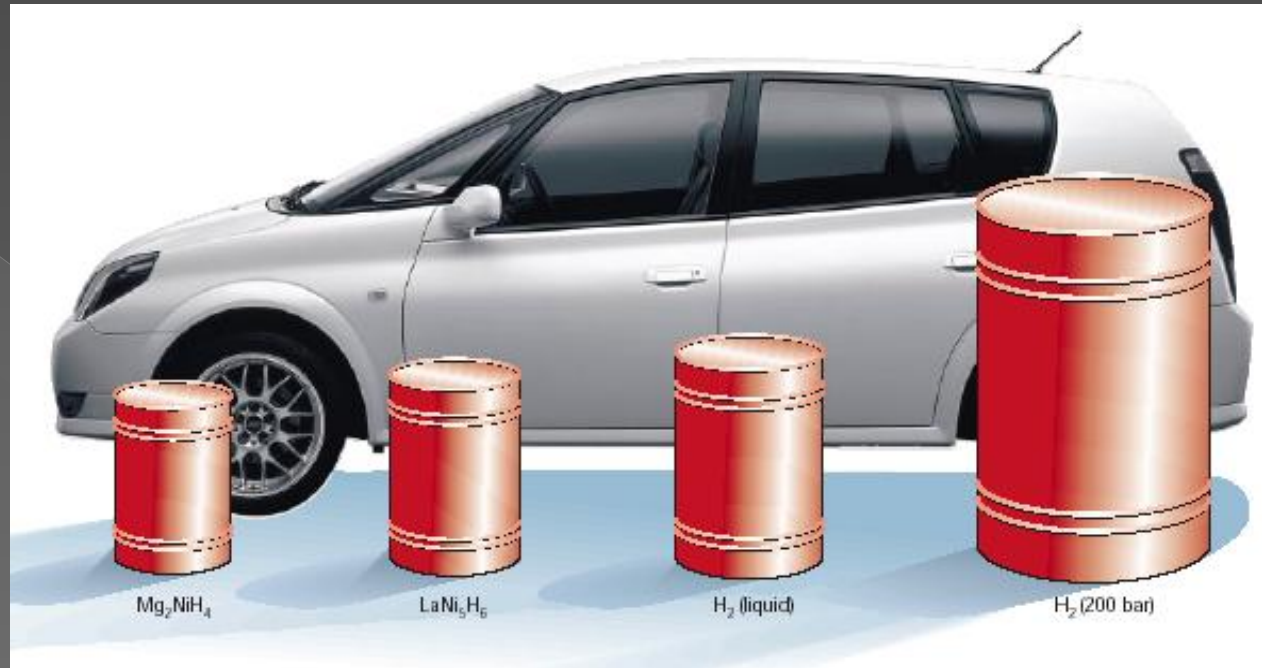
- Micro and mini heaters and for Reliability Testing

- Micro-Joining

- Microsensors
Microactuators



Professor Robert Varin



Volume of 4 kg of hydrogen compacted in different ways, with size relative to the size of a Toyota Prius [Toyota press, 33rd Tokyo Motor Show, 1999; L. Schlapbach and A. Züttel, Nature 414 (2001) 353-358]

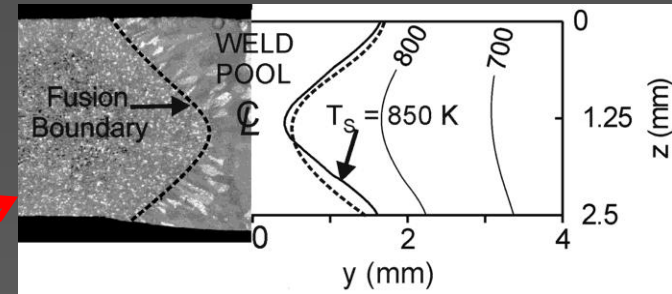
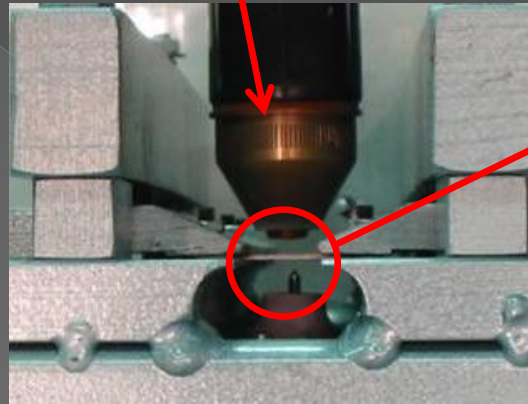
- **Nanostructured and Amorphous Materials for Hydrogen Storage, Superconducting and Magnetic Applications**

- **Intermetallics and Advanced Composites for Aerospace and Automotive Applications**

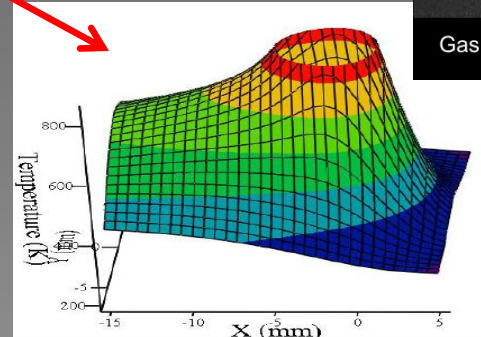
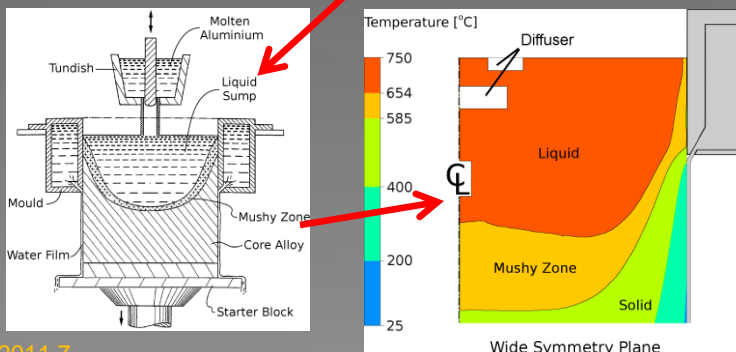
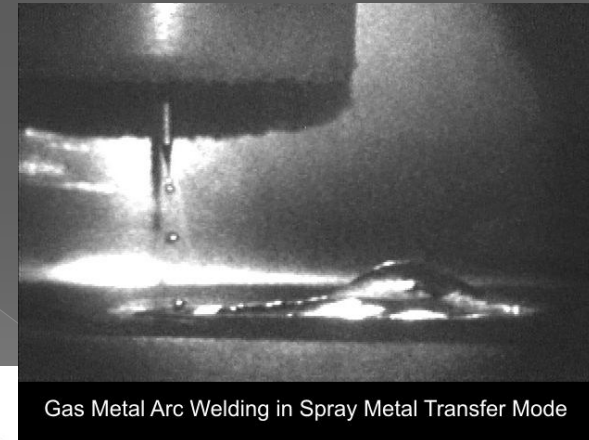
Professor Dave Weckman



- Laser Welding and Laser Materials Processing
- Arc Welding Processes; GTAW, GMAW, VPPAW, DSAW, etc.



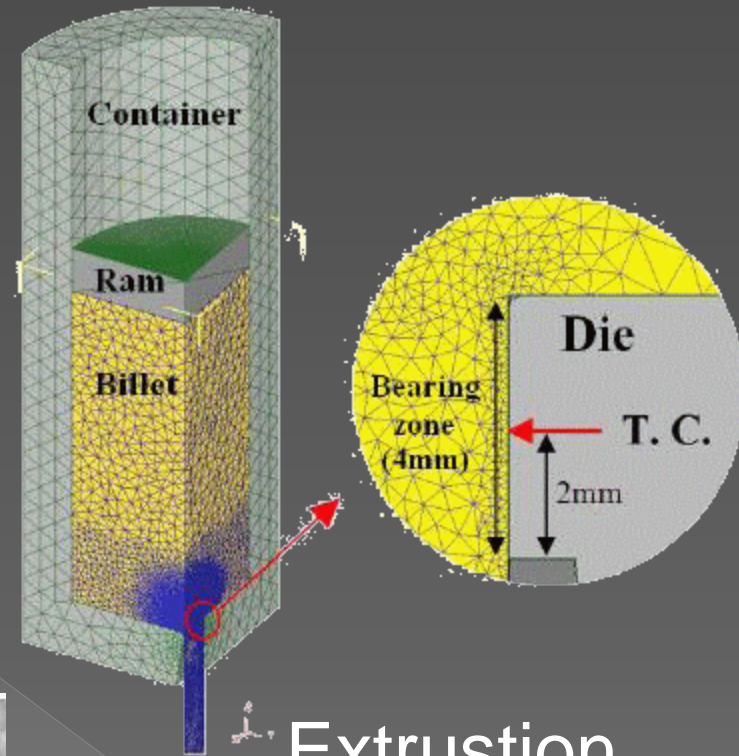
- Thermofluids numerical modelling of various welding and continuous casting processes



Professor Mary Wells



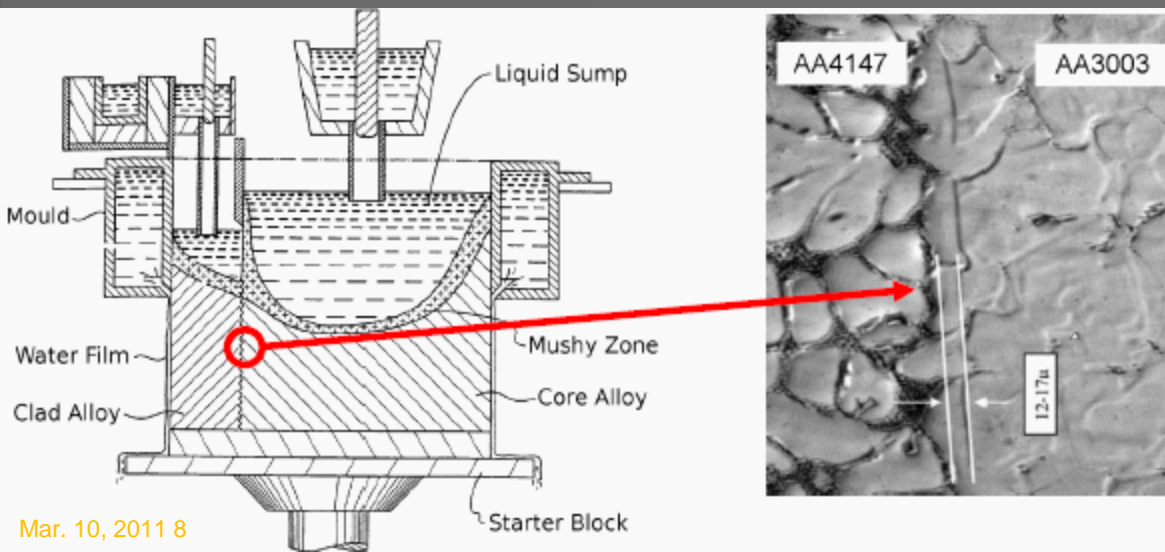
- Manufacturing Process Modelling
- Hot Deformation of Metals
- Casting of Light Metals
- Boiling Water Heat Transfer
- Microstructure/processing models



Extrusion ...

Co-casting ...

... of Aluminum Alloys



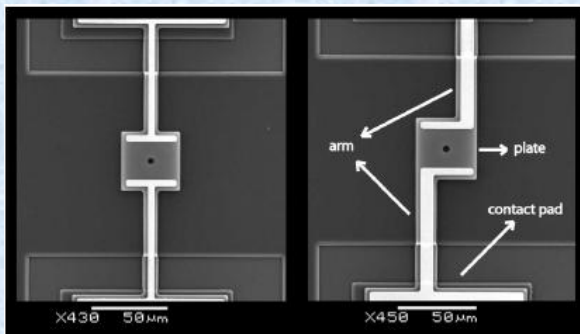
Professor Mustafa Yavuz

Nano-scale Superconducting Hybrid Electronics:



**Nano-Bio-Sensors (SQUIDs)
Made out of Carbon-nano-tube
(CNT) Used for Cancer
Diagnosis & E-coli Detection**

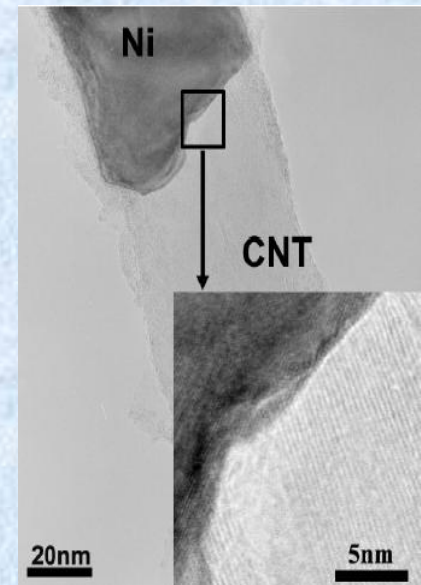
Nano/Micro-Electro- Mechanical Systems (N/MEMS):



**MEMS IR sensors for image
analysis**

Nano-junctions and joining:

**Electron
Microscopy image
of a Ni/CNT nano-
junction, used in
ballistics.**



Professor Norman Zhou

Joining, incl. micro-/nano-joining

- Brazing and soldering
- Laser joining
- Magnetic pulse welding
- Resistance welding
- Ultrasonic wire bonding

Industrial Applications

- Auto-body
- Electronics
- Medical implants
- Aerospace turbin blades
- Water treatment

