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Engineering progress drives 2G HTS adoption

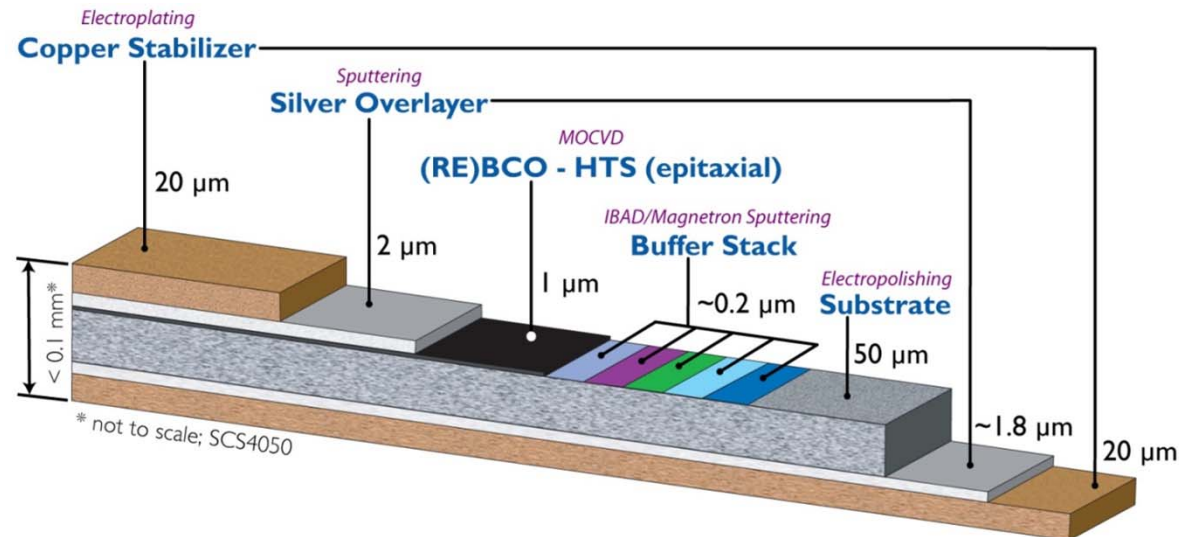
Feature	Approach	Assessment
Robust wire design Mechanical strength	“Hastelloy” based substrate supporting structure	Tensile strength Peel strength Splicing stress
In-field performance Critical current (I_c) under magnetic field	Flux pinning with engineered nanostructure Consistent & uniform process	Enhanced I_c at low (4.2-40K) temp. and under perpendicular field components (2-15T)
Alternative constructs Higher operating currents Special application requirements	Cable constructs Bonded conductor designs Alternative materials	Higher operating currents Stronger conductors with application specific properties

Wire performance critical to practical applications

- $I_c(B, T, \theta)$
 - Temperature, magnetic field and field orientation dependence of I_c
 - Minimum I_c at operating condition
- Mechanical properties (electromechanical performance)
 - Workability for fabrication into various devices
 - Irreversible stress or strain limits under various stress condition, in terms of I_c
- Uniformity along length (I_c and other attributes)
- Thermal properties (thermal expansion coefficient and thermal conductivity)
- Quench stability (NZPV and MQE)
- Insulation (material and method)
- Splice
 - Resistance (resistivity)
 - Mechanical strength (tensile and bending)

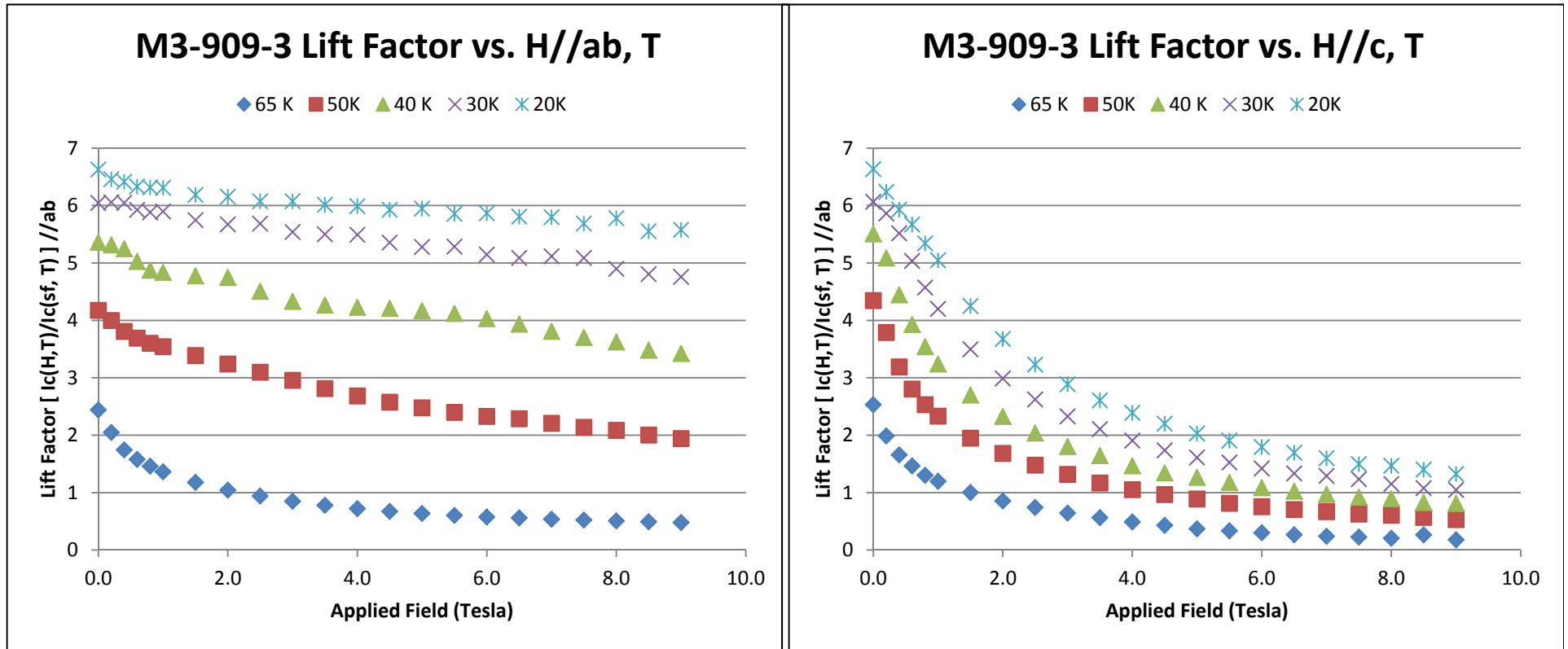
Standards for 2G HTS wire property testing are under development

SuperPower's ReBCO superconductor with artificial pinning structure provides a solution for demanding applications



- Hastelloy® C276 substrate
 - high strength
 - high resistance
 - non-magnetic
- Buffer layers with IBAD-MgO
 - Diffusion barrier to metal substrate
 - Ideal lattice matching from substrate through ReBCO
- MOCVD grown ReBCO layer with BZO nanorods
 - Flux pinning sites for high in-field I_c
- Silver and copper stabilization

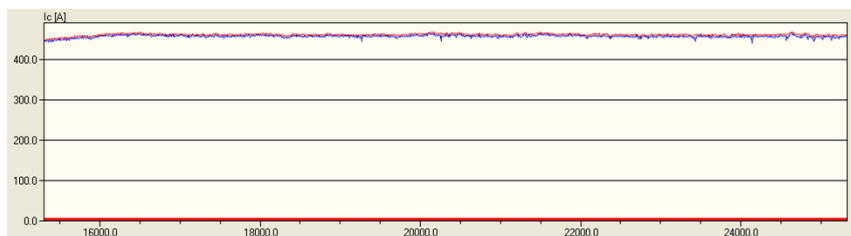
$I_c(B, T, \Phi)$ characterization is critical to understanding the impacts of processing on operational performance



Measurements made at the University of Houston

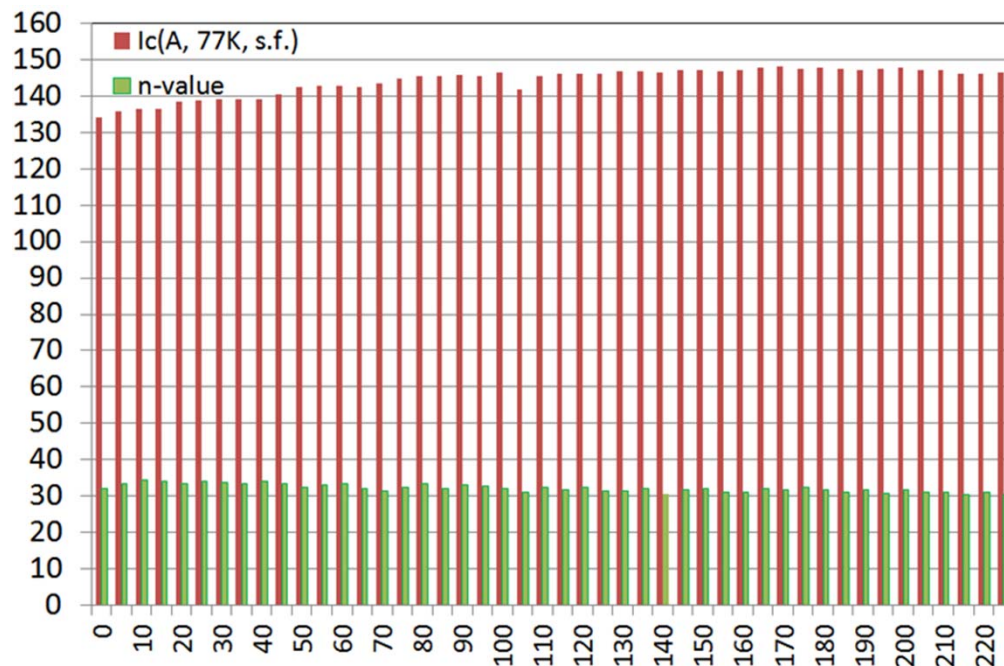
- Lift factor, $I_c(B, T) / I_c(sf, 77K)$, particularly a full matrix of $I_c(B, T, \Phi)$ is in high demand.
- Frequently sought by coil/magnet design engineer, for various applications.
- Used to calculate local I_{op} / I_c ratio inside coil body, and design quench protection.

I_c uniformity along length (TapeStar, transport)



Position (cm) (on a 12 mm wide wire)

- Magnetic, non-contact measurement
- High spacial resolution, high speed, reel-to-reel
- Monitoring I_c at multiple production points after MOCVD
- Capability of quantitative 2D uniformity inspection

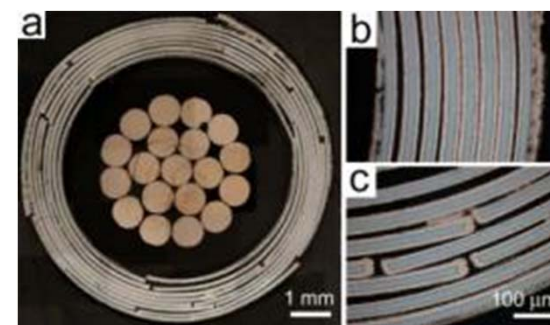


Position (m) (on a 4 mm wide wire)

(four-probe transport measurement)

Engineering new wire innovations to address customer requests and meet application requirements

- Additional wire insulation methods
 - Today: Kapton®/Polyimide wrapped
 - Other options under development: thinner profile, better coverage
- Additional wire architectures under development
 - Higher current carrying capability
 - Multi-layer combinations
 - Cable on Round Core (CORC)
 - Roebel cable
 - Custom attributes
 - FCL – normal state resistance feature



Courtesy: Advanced Conductor Technologies



ROEBEL cable
made by KIT with
SuperPower® 2G
HTS Wire

Capability for bonded conductors being developed [higher amperage, specialty applications (FCL)]

- Bonded conductors offer the ability to achieve higher operating currents
 - LV windings of FCL transformer
 - HEP applications
 - High current bus applications
- Bonded conductors offer higher strength
 - FCL transformer fault currents
 - High field HEP applications with high force loadings
- Bonded conductors offer the ability to tailor application specific operating requirements, i.e. normal state resistance for a FCL transformer

Summary

- SuperPower 2G HTS conductor offers a flexible architecture to address the broad range of demanding applications requirements.
- SuperPower is engaging major resources in improving its manufacturing capabilities to deliver a consistent, reliable, high quality 2G HTS product
 - Improved consistency of lift factor
 - Improved piece length
 - Improved current density
 - Improved uniformity
- Alternative conductor configurations are being developed to address customer demand