### C4: Casting technology for ODS steels (HZDR, KIT, IPUL)

A candidate material for high-temperature applications: Oxide dispersion strengthened (ODS) steels (high Cr-steels): Homogeneously dispersed Yttria nanoparticles

Up to now: only powdermetallurgical production - very expensive!

Need: low-cost casting route

Mixing-in of small particles: strong stirring – can efficiently be made by em fields

# mixing particles

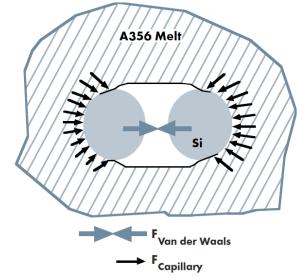
weak continuous RMF + pulse of TMF ceramic particles (2 g/cm<sup>3</sup>) on GaInSn (6.5 g/cm<sup>3</sup>) almost all particles submerged



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Fluiddynamic mixing of nano-particles: agglomeration to micro-particles

Al and Mg-alloys: ultrasonic excitation efficient for nano-particle distribution! Induced cavitation produces excellent nano-particle dispersion by collapsing the residual gas bubbles.

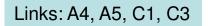


Molten steel: application of ultrasound not possible due to temperature

Solution: electromagnetic excitation of sound waves Superposition of AC and DC magnetic fields

#### Project tasks:

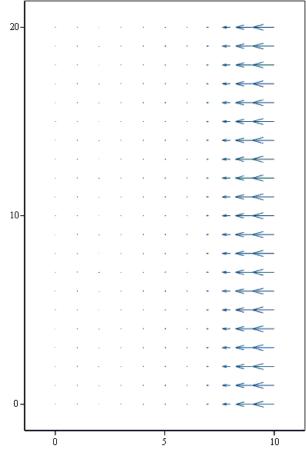
- Theory of em waves
- model experiments: em induced pressure oscillations measured
- copper samples processed at IPUL
- design and installation of vacuum furnace with em fields for steel processing
- thermodynamic and kinetic calculations of the ODS case at KIT
- ODS samples to be characterized at KIT and HZDR



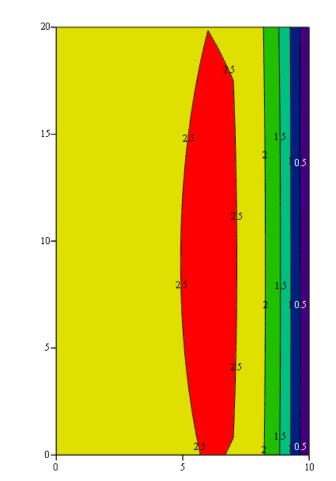


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#### Proposed contactless EM-excitation by superimposed AC/DC fields in liquid steel



Alternating EM-force at  $B_{AC}$  = 0.09 T and  $B_{DC}$  = 2.4 T , f = 20 kHz



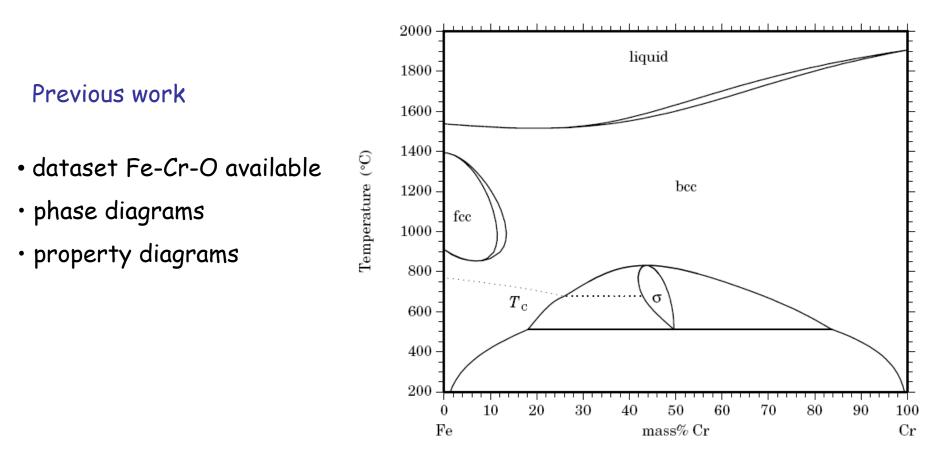
Alternating pressure with 2 bar amplitude



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C4-WP6: Thermodynamic and Kinetic Calculations for ODS Steels

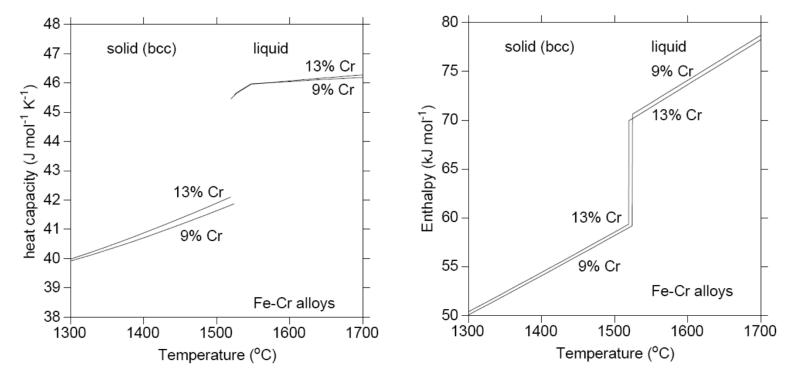
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calculated phase diagram of Fe-Cr



#### Property diagrams for Fe-Cr alloys



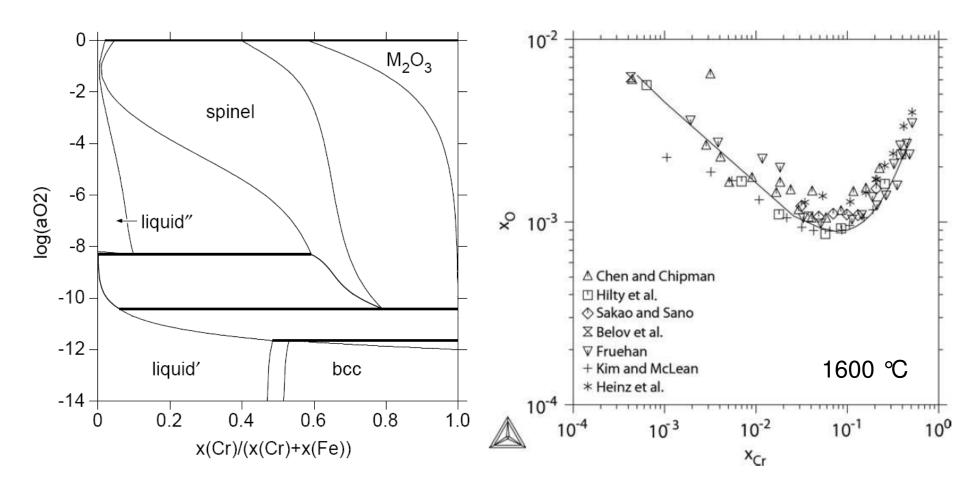
heat capacity of Fe-Cr alloys

enthalpy of Fe-Cr alloys

	9% Cr	13% Cr
solidus	1523.7 ℃	1519.1 ℃
liquidus	1524.3 ℃	1519.6 ℃
melting enhalpy	11.4 kJ/mol	10.4 kJ/mol



#### The system Fe-Cr-O



Phase diagram of Fe-Cr-O at 1600 °C

Oxygen solubility in Fe-Cr alloys





## Planned work in C4-WP6

- thermodynamic assessment of the quarternary system Fe-Cr-Y-O
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  solubility of Y and of  $Y_2O_3$  in Fe-Cr alloys
- calculation of heat capacity, heat contents and transformation temperatures
- calculation of solidification under equilibrium and non-equilibrium conditions
- investigation of solidified ODS steel samples by SEM, TEM, EDX, WDX





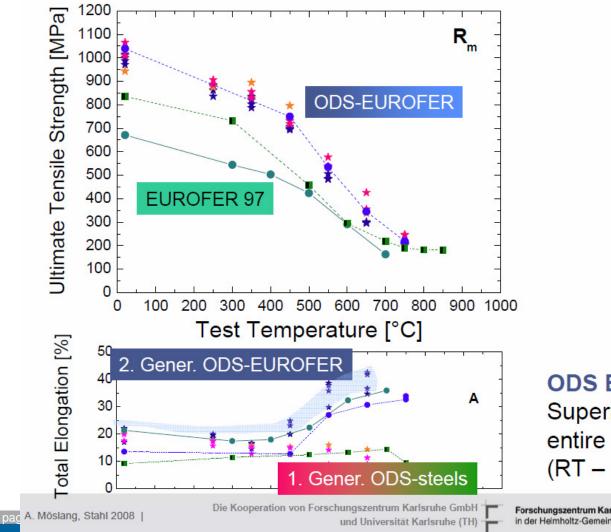
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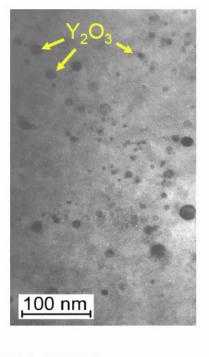
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# **Casting of ODS-Steel**

Oxide dispersion strengthened FM Steels - Tensile Strength and Ductility -

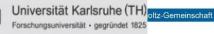






**ODS EUROFER:** Superior Ductility in the entire temperature range (RT - 700 °C)

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# **Computational Thermodynamics**

