

EMPRESS Workshop

Enhanced process efficiency through improved temperature measurement

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Advanced Forming Research Centre, UK

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Invited speakers from Rolls-Royce (keynote), BAE Systems, Cambridge University, CCPI Europe, DLR, Elkem, Loughborough University, Metrosol, MUT Advanced Heating, Oxford University, Strathclyde University

Technologies

- *Thermocouples*
- *Phosphor thermometry*
- *Surface temperature probes*
- *Combustion & flame thermometer*

Application areas

- *Furnace control*
- *Heat treatment*
- *Casting*
- *Forming*
- *Welding*
- *Forging*
- *Gas turbines*
- *Internal combustion engines*

EMPRESS is a European project with the goal of enhancing process efficiency through improved temperature measurement. The consortium comprises 18 partners across government, industry and academia.

This workshop is an excellent opportunity to bring together scientists and engineers from academia, research institutes and industrial establishments to present and discuss both

- The latest developments in the field of traceable temperature measurement for process control
- End-users' requirements and challenges

61 delegates

41 organisations

9 NMIs

12 Manufacturing

20 Instrumentation



EMPRESS: A European project to enhance process efficiency through improved temperature measurement

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Claire Elliott
Lucia Rosso
Gavin Sutton
Aurik Andreu
Graham Machin

1. Solve specific process control problems in advanced manufacturing

2. Establish traceability to ITS-90 in-situ

- Driftless thermocouples and other contact thermometers (WP1,2)
 - Heat treatment of aerospace alloys
 - Casting of aerospace alloys
 - Forming and forging of automotive components
 - Industrial furnace manufacture
 - Silicon processing
 - Ceramic manufacturing
- Surface thermometry (WP3)
 - Forming of Al alloys and composite materials
 - Welding pre- and post- heat treatment of marine structures
 - Coating of marine structures
- Combustion thermometry (WP4)
 - Internal combustion engine, gas turbine, and fuel development

Start May 2015



Finish May 2018

8 NMIs



RMG

6 Companies



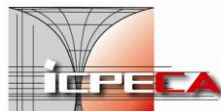
4 Universities



5 Collaborators

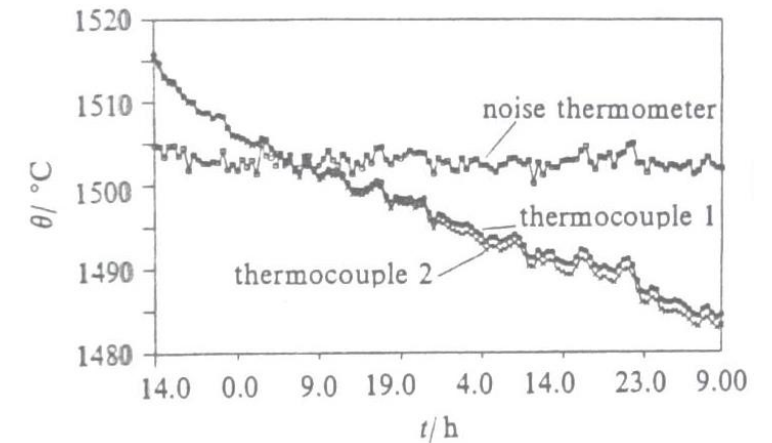


- United Kingdom
- Romania



WP1 Low-drift contact temperature sensors to $> 2000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (PTB)

- Silicon processing, aerospace heat treatment, process furnace manufacture
- Pt-Rh thermocouples OK to about $1500\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- W-Re thermocouples to $2300\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, not very stable
- Determine optimum Pt-Rh composition
- Sapphire tube blackbody device
- Carbon thermocouples to $>2000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- End-user trials: AFRC, A&D, HTRC, possibly RR



NPL, PTB, CCPI
Develop new, optimised
Pt-Rh thermocouples

TRIAL IN-
PROCESS

PTB, NPL, MUT, STRAT, CCPI
Test Pt-Rh thermocouples
(aerospace manufacturing)

Collaborators
Bodycote
KRISS

JV, Elkem
Develop sapphire tube
thermometer

TRIAL IN-
PROCESS

JV, Elkem
Test sapphire tube thermometer
(silicon processing plant)

PTB, NPL, MUT
Develop carbon
thermocouples

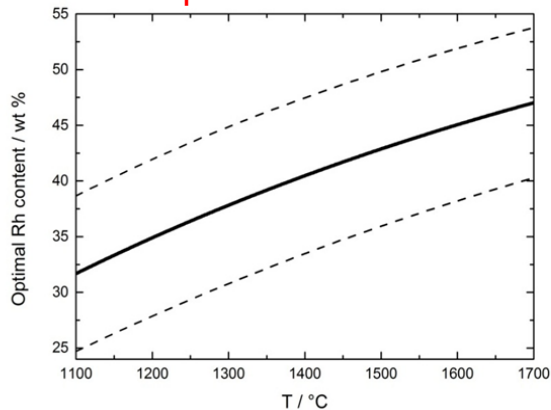
TRIAL IN-
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MUT, PTB
Test carbon thermocouples
(industrial furnace manufacturing)

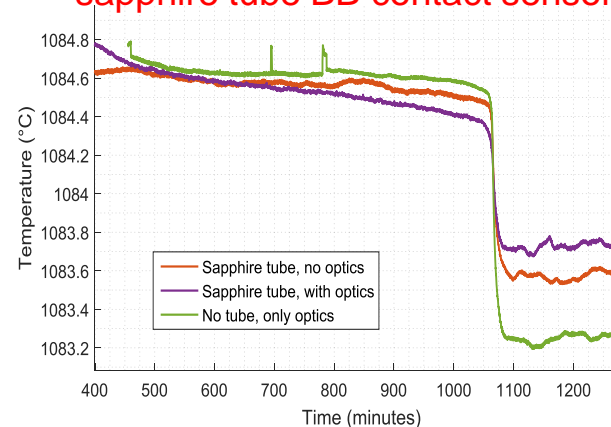
WP1 Low-drift contact temperature sensors to $> 2000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (PTB)

- Multi-wire Pt-Rh thermocouple stability evaluated to about $1500\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- NPL: Sophisticated modelling of Pt-Rh thermocouple drift mechanisms
- JV/Elkem: Sapphire tube blackbody device constructed & operational
- PTB/MUT: Carbon thermocouples to $>2000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ constructed and tested to $1300\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ with promising results
- End-user trials: AFRC, A&D, HTRC, possibly RR, JM

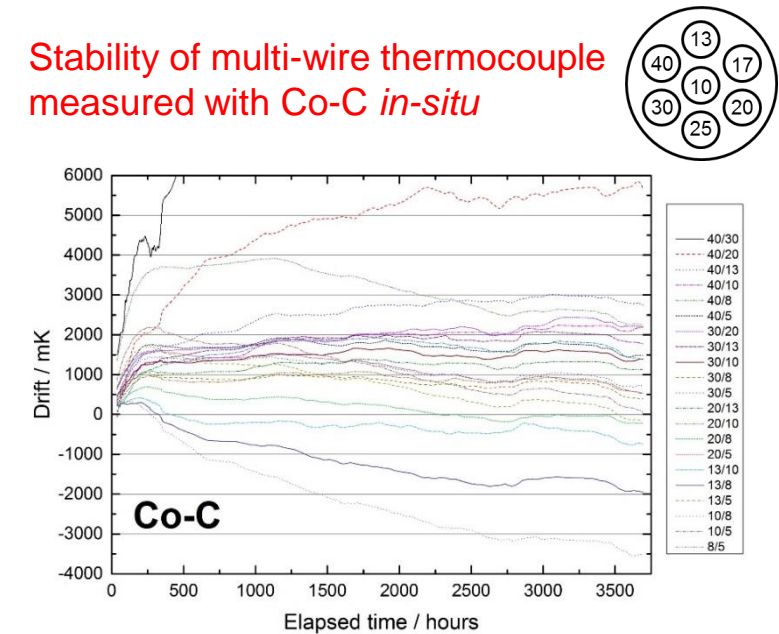
Pt-Rh oxide vapour transport model – optimum Rh %



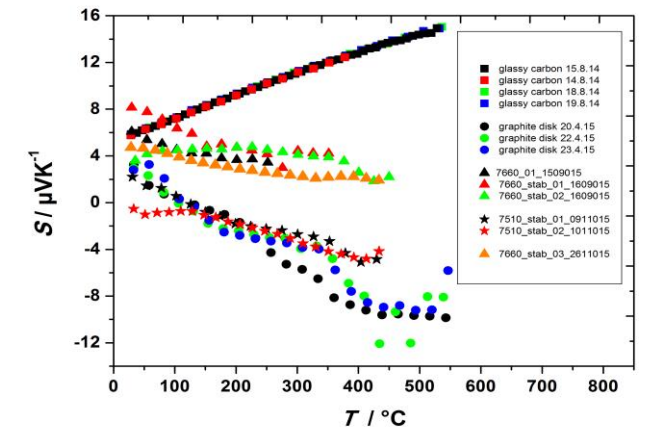
Freezing of Cu measured with sapphire tube BB contact sensor



Stability of multi-wire thermocouple measured with Co-C *in-situ*

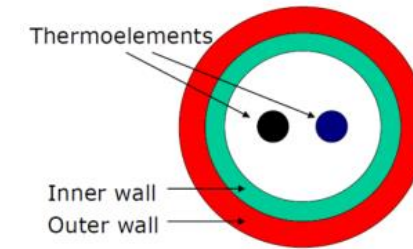


Seebeck coefficients of graphite thermoelements



WP2 Zero-drift contact temperature sensors to 1350 °C (NPL)

- Aerospace heat treatment, ceramic manufacture, forming and forging
- For some applications e.g. long-term heat treatment, direct in-situ traceability is needed
- Self-validating thermocouples
- Reduce size of FP to enable same form factor
- A cheaper alternative is the novel double-sheathed MI cable developed by UCAM



NPL, CCPI, STRAT

Develop self-validating thermocouples with same form factor as existing sensors

TRIAL IN-PROCESS

NPL, BRML, STRAT, CCPI

Test self-validating sensors (aerospace turbine blade heat treatment)

*Collaborators
Bodycote Romania*

UCAM, PTB, NPL

Evaluate novel MI ultra-stable thermocouples

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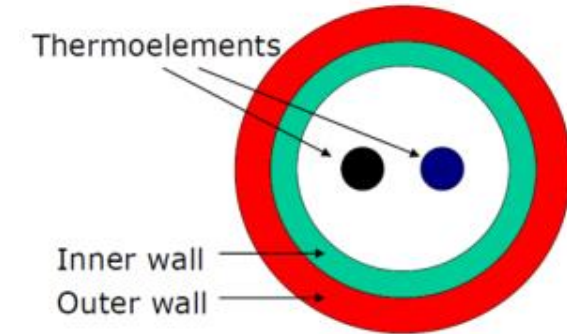
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Trial ultra-stable MI thermocouples (ceramic manufacturing, aerospace heat treatment)

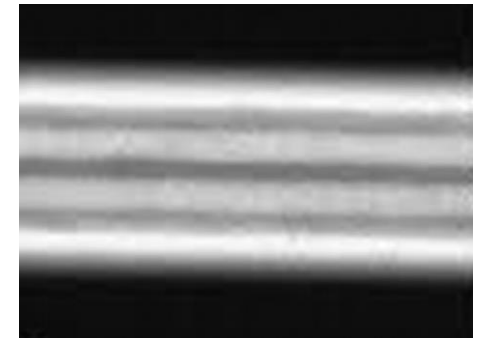
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WP2 Zero-drift contact temperature sensors to 1350 °C (NPL)

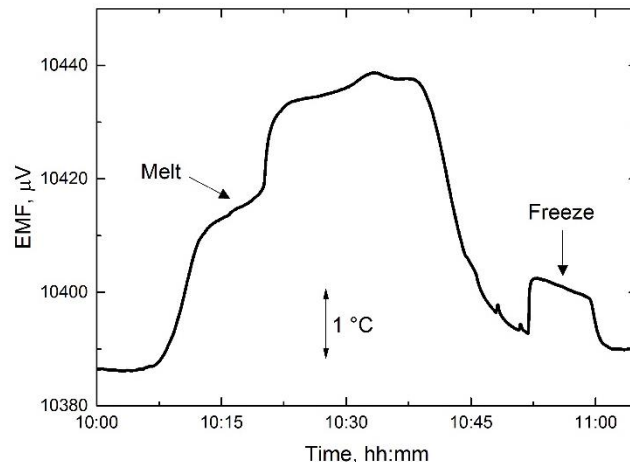
- For some applications e.g. long-term heat treatment, direct in-situ traceability is needed
- NPL: Self-validating thermocouples constructed and working
- UCAM/PTB: MI cable developed by UCAM, metrologically characterised by PTB
- End-user trials: AFRC, A&D, ICPE-CA, Bodycote



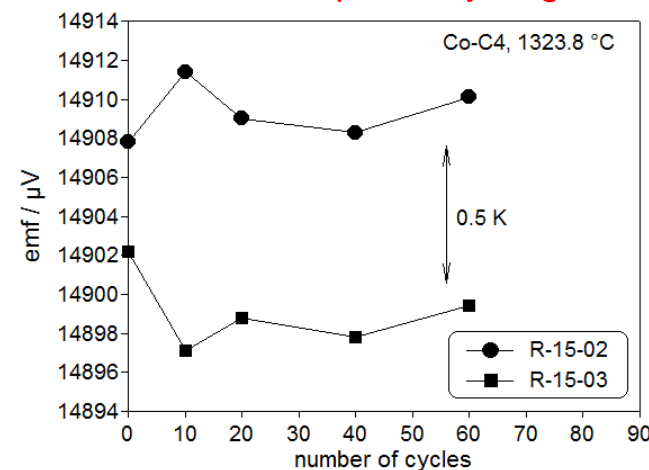
X-ray of double-walled MI thermocouple



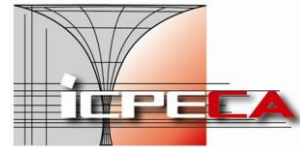
Melting and freezing of miniature FP crucible (Pt-Rh thermocouple, all in 7 mm o.d. sheath)



Stability of UCAM MI thermocouple on cycling



WP1 & WP2 in-situ trials



- Heat treatment
- Forming and forging
- Ceramic manufacture



WP3 Surface temperature (INRIM)

- Forming, forging, welding heat treatment, coating
- Contact thermometers for surface temperature measurement are subject to large errors
- Fluorescence thermometer
 - Surface temperature calibrator
 - Directly applied to surface
- Heat flow compensating sensor

INRIM, DTI, NPL
Develop fluorescence sensor for surface temperature measurement

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NPL, BAE

Test fluorescence thermometer in welding and coating treatment (marine structure fabrication)

TRIAL IN-PROCESS

INRIM, Gamma

Test fluorescence thermometer in metal forging and forming (automotive manufacturing)

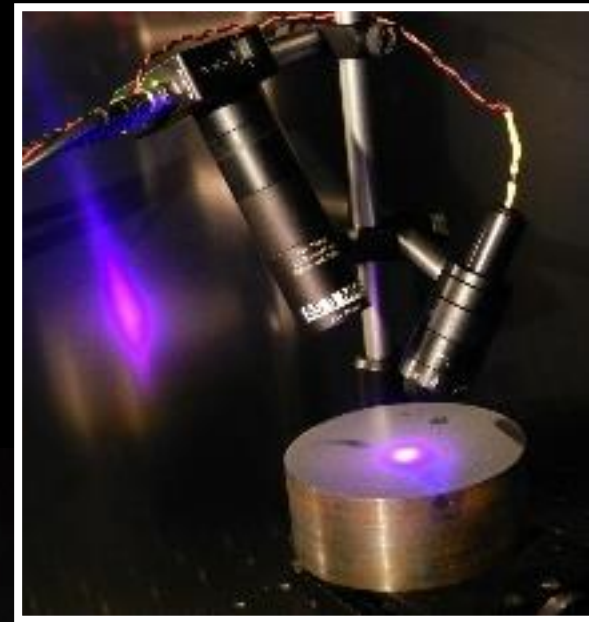
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Develop heat flow compensated sensor for surface temperature measurement

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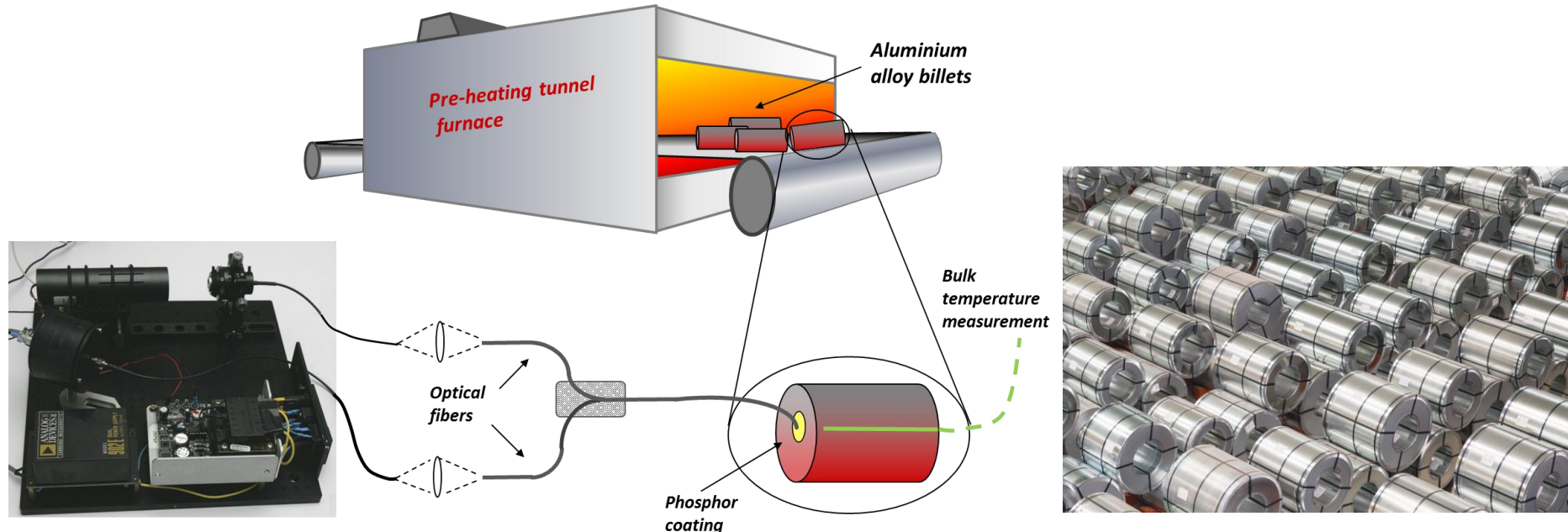
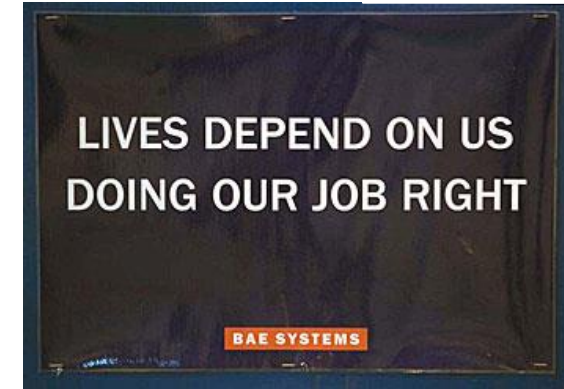
CMI, Collaborators

Test heat flow compensated thermometer in forming application (automotive)



WP3 Surface temperature (INRiM)

- End-user trials
- BAE Systems
- Gamma Forgiati



WP4 Combustion temperature (NPL)

- ICE, gas turbines, fuel development
- There is currently no traceability of flame and combustion temperature measurements
- Develop portable standard flame
- Validate it & assign traceable temperature
- Make it available to end-users

NPL
Develop
portable
standard
flame

EVALUATE

NPL

Develop Rayleigh scattering flame thermometry system

UC3M, CEM, DTU, NPL

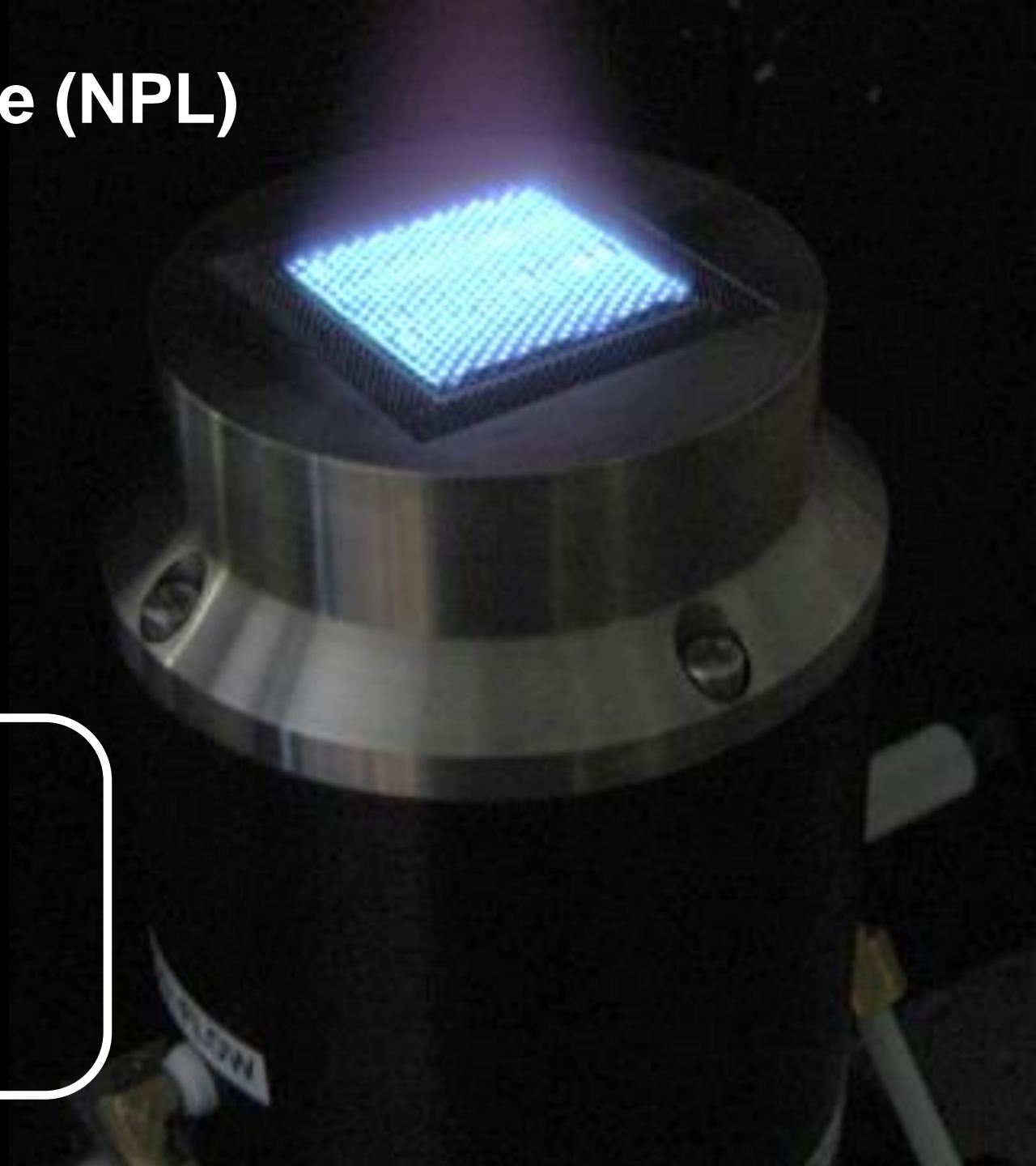
Develop FTIR flame thermometry system

DTU, UC3M, NPL

Develop UV flame thermometry system

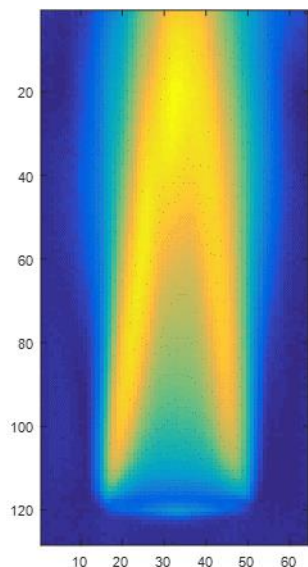
UOXF, NPL

Develop DFWM and LIGS flame thermometry system

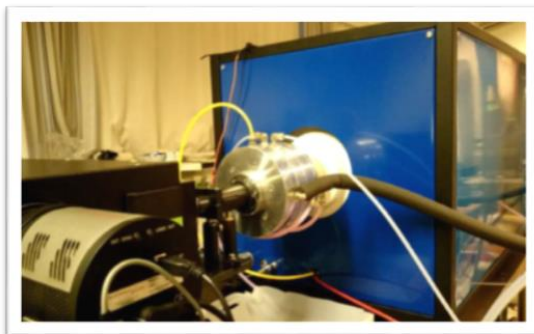


WP4 Combustion temperature (NPL)

- NPL: portable standard flame commissioned
- CEM/UC3M: adaption of hyperspectral imager to measure flames complete
- DTU: UV spectrometer measurements on hot gas underway, compilation of UV CO₂ and H₂O absorption spectral database
- UOXF: DFWM and LIGS models under development; DFWM measurements of OH in McKenna burner methane/air flame – excellent results; LIGS results for heated water vapour successful
- End-user linkage via universities (mainly automotive)



Hyperspectral image



UV spectrometer observing the hot gas cell.

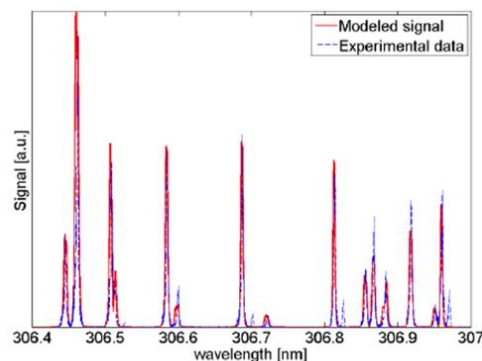



Figure 2. DFWM spectrum of OH and analytical simulation



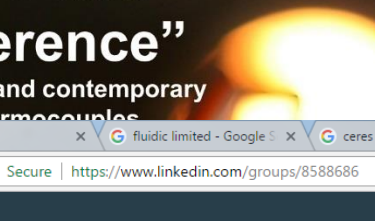
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One-day conference on recent developments and contemporary challenges for users and manufacturers of thermocouples

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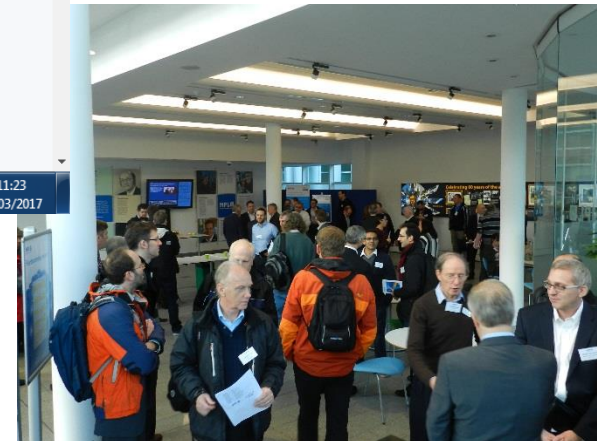
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Agenda

| Wednesday 22 March 2017 | | | |
|-------------------------|--|---|------------------------|
| 9.00 | Arrival and registration | | Introduction & keynote |
| 9.30 | Welcome to the AFRC | David Jones, AFRC | |
| 9.35 | Welcome and introduction | Graham Machin, NPL | |
| 9.40 | Overview of the EMPRESS project | Jonathan Pearce, NPL | |
| 10.00 | Keynote: Temperature measurement for better processes to create better products and services | Pete Loftus, Rolls-Royce | |
| 10.40 | Overview of WP1: Low-drift contact temperature sensors to above 2000 °C | Frank Edler, PTB | |
| 10.50 | Overview of WP2: Zero-drift contact temperature sensors to 1350 °C | Claire Elliott, NPL | |
| 11.00 | Coffee break | | |
| 11.30 | Introduction to a new low drift base metal thermocouple mineral insulated cable technology | Michele Scervini, Cambridge University & Trevor Ford, CCPI Europe Ltd | Contact thermometry |
| 11.50 | Optical based contact thermometer using SiC, quartz tubes and sapphire fibre | Sigurd Simonsen, Elkem | |
| 12.10 | High-temperature measurement in industrial practice | Jurgen Blüm, MUT | |
| 12.30 | Lunch | | |
| 13.30 | Overview of WP3: Traceable surface temperature measurement with contact sensors | Lucia Rosso, INRiM | Phosphor thermometry |
| 13.40 | Thermocouples in industrial environments | Mark Thomas, BAE Systems | |
| 14.00 | Surface thermometry in low TRL testing of combustor cooling concepts | Clare Bonham, Loughborough University | |
| 14.20 | Industrial uses of thermographic phosphors | Andy Heyes, Strathclyde University | |
| 14.40 | Tea break and networking | | |
| 15.10 | Overview of WP4: Traceable combustion temperature measurement | Gavin Sutton, NPL | Combustion thermometry |
| 15.20 | Laser techniques for flame and combustion thermometry | Paul Ewart, Oxford University | |
| 15.40 | Temperature measurements in turbulent flames using Raman spectroscopy | Wolfgang Meier, DLR | |
| 16.00 | A practical Johnson noise thermometer | David Cruickshank, Metrosol | |
| 16.20 | Tour of AFRC | | |

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