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Kermetico High Velocity Air-Fuel Thermal Spray

HVAF application development

1. Superior hard & tough coatings for new markets

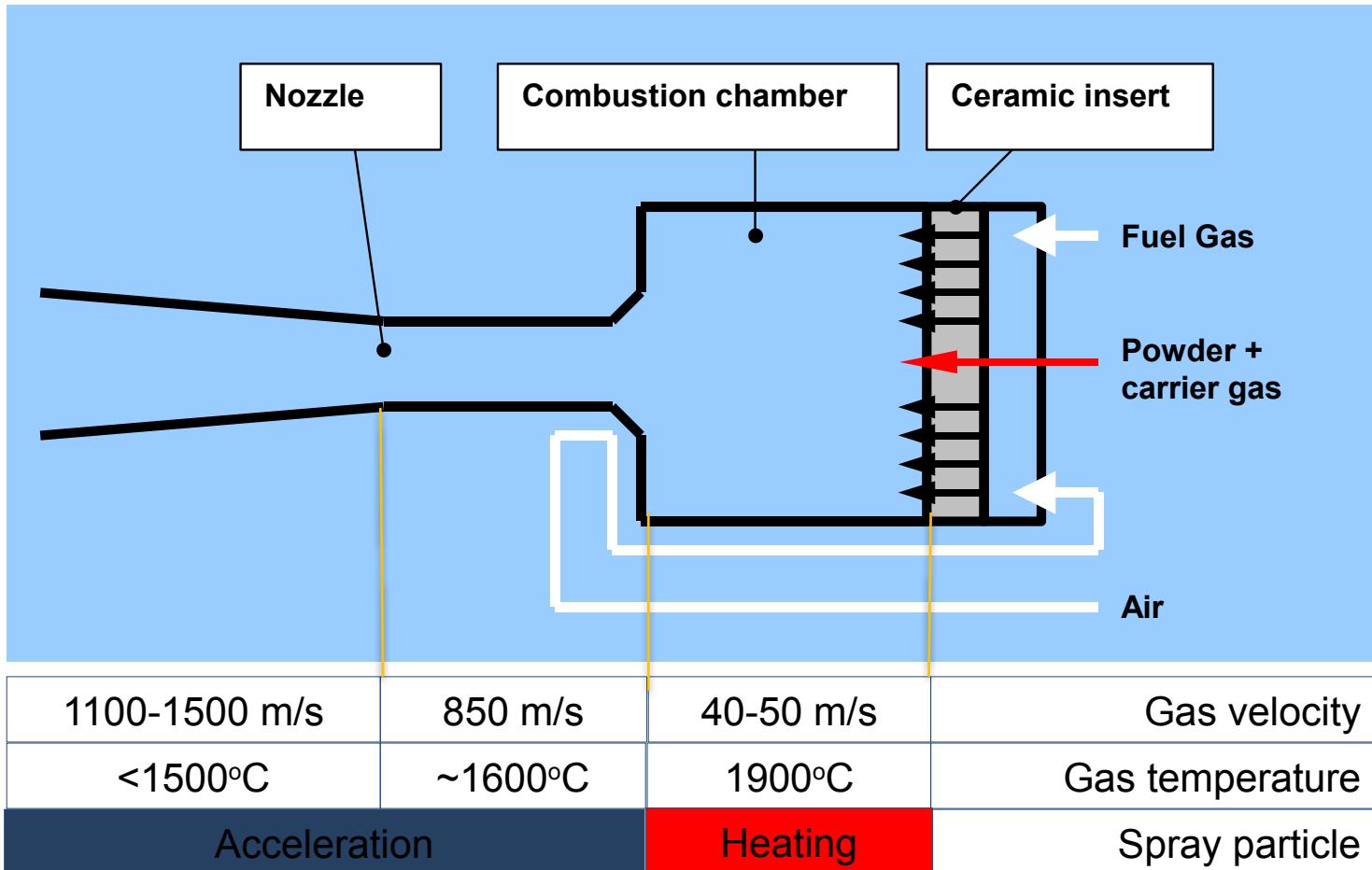
- Gas-tight
- WC-based 1500-1700 HV₃₀₀
- Cr₃C₂-based 1100 HV₃₀₀, service up to 900°C
- MoB-based 1200 HV₃₀₀, service up to 1100°C
- Thin coatings (40-70 micron) for:
 - High and alternating stress, impact, etc.
 - Economy grades for “flash chrome” replacement

HVAF application development

2. Economical “currently specified quality” coatings for existing and new markets

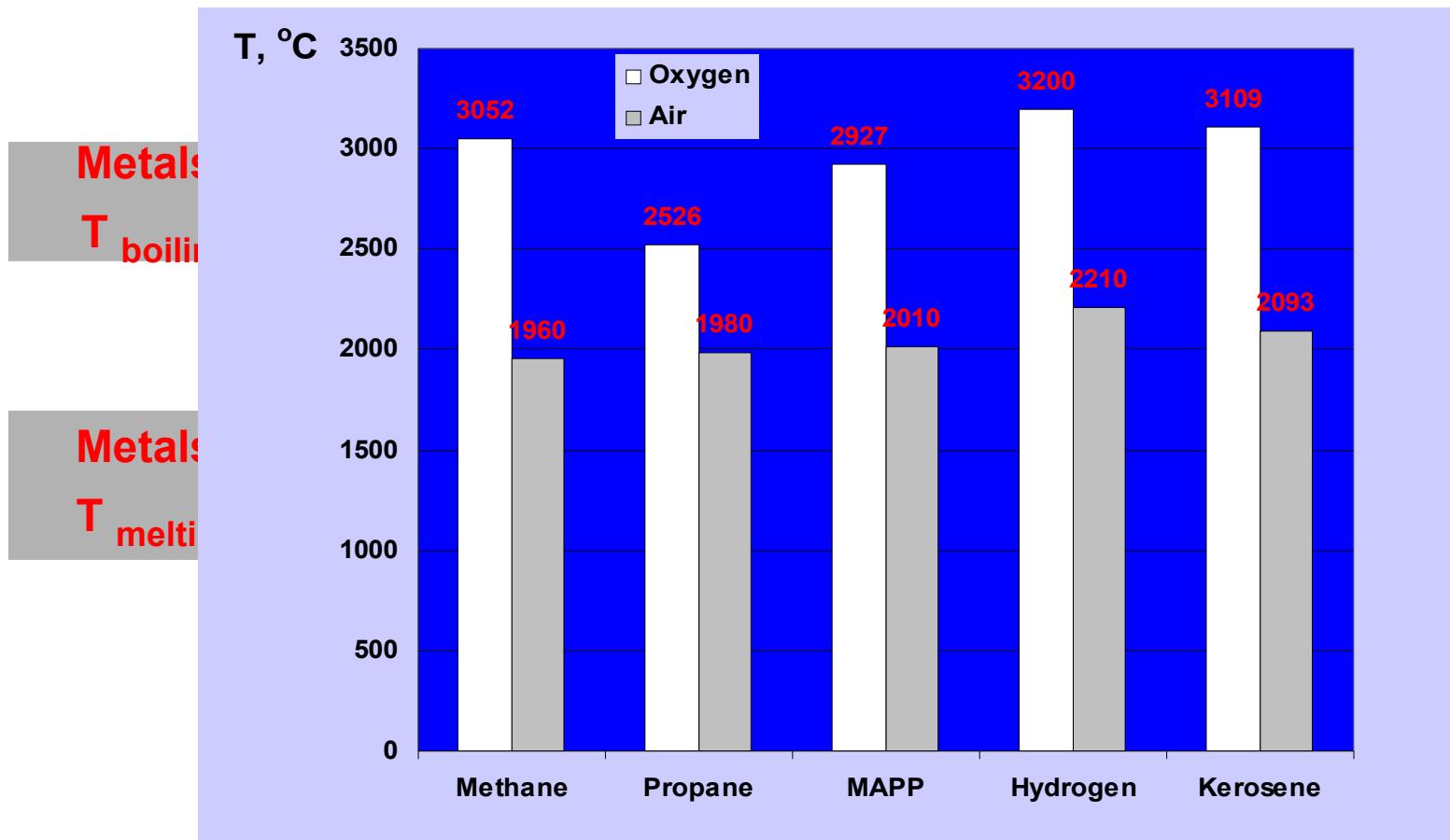
1200 HV₃₀₀ /<0.8% porosity WC-coatings, sprayed at 65-70% DE with spray rates 33+ kg/hour

Kermetico HVAF gun design



Combustion temperature: HVAF vs. HVOF

Adiabatic combustion temperature of fuels
in oxygen and air ($\alpha=1$, 20°C, 1 Bar)



Lower gas temperature in HVAF:

HVOF:

Combustion temperature is higher by more than 1000°C than melting temperature of metals;

Combustion temperature may exceed metal boiling temperature.

HVAF:

Combustion temperature only slightly higher than metal melting temperature.

Lower gas temperature in HVAF:

- **Affects coating properties**

Prevention of oxidation of metals and oxidation/ thermal deterioration of carbides

Note: oxygen activity is 5-times lower in HVAF

- **Influences gun design**

HVAF ability to use heating in long/ slow-gas combustion chambers = long time for “soft” heating

High pressure in the chamber = better heat transfer

Combustion temperature: design AF vs OF

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High pressure in the chamber =

better heat transfer

Result:

High energy efficiency of HVAF

(same or lower power while higher spray rates than HVOF)

Energy efficiency = COST

State-of-the-art HVOF:

JP 5000 270 kW spray rate 5 kg/hour

DJ 2600115 kW spray rate 4 kg/hour

Kermetico HVAF:

AK6 130 kW spray rate 28 kg/ hour

AK5 80 kW spray rate 15 kg/hour

AK-ID 30 kW spray rate 5 kg/hour

Acceleration of spray particles in the nozzle:

Gas velocity & density

Time (nozzle length)

Particle size

Smaller particles are accelerated to higher velocities.

HVAF uses smaller particle size without material oxidation/ thermal deterioration

Note on nozzle wall influence on particle velocity:

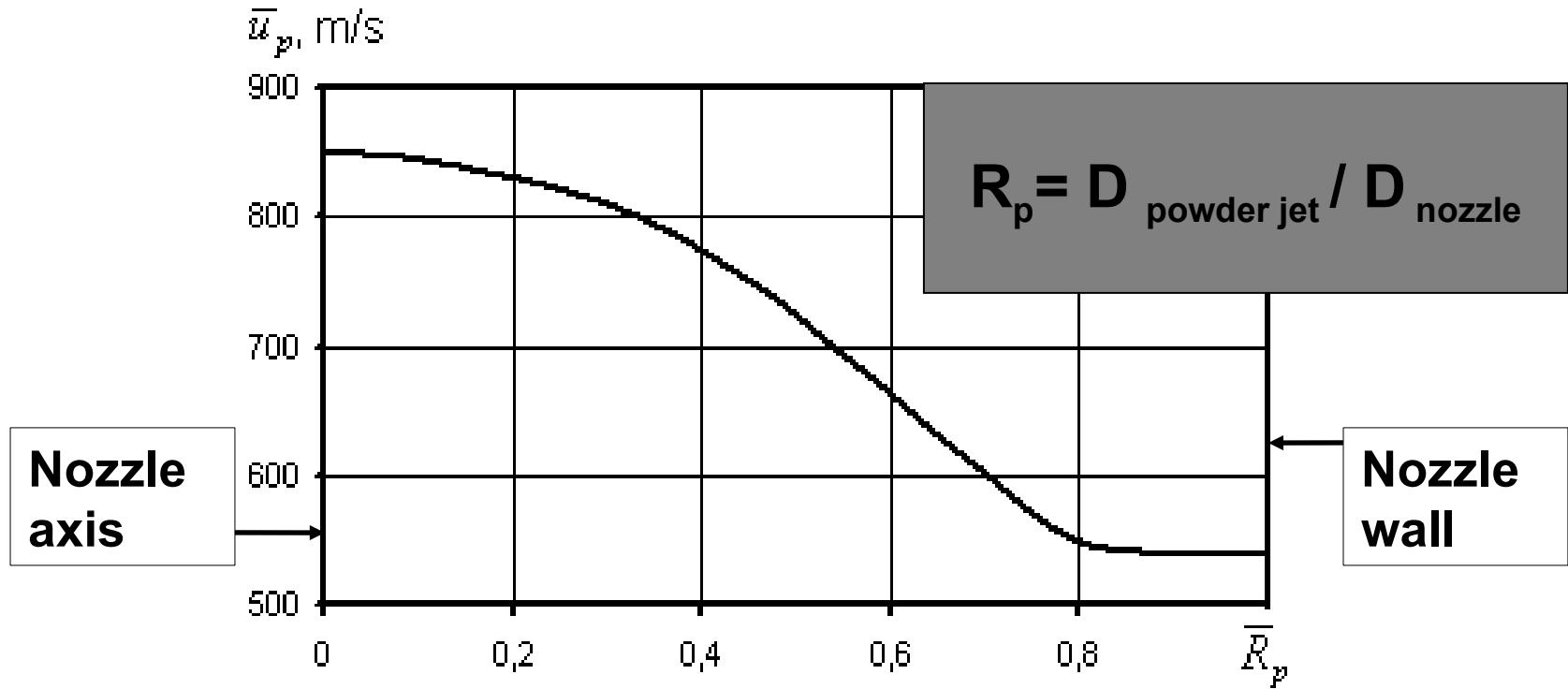
HVOF – dramatic

(more so – in radial injection)

HVAF – no influence

Particles acceleration: influence of the nozzle walls

HVOF (kerosene) per A. Voronetsky et. all, ITSC2004



*Influence of R_p on the mean particles velocity
at $L_s=250$ mm. ($p_{cc}=0.9$ MPa, $d_p=30$ μ m, $L_b=100$ mm)*

Particles acceleration in the nozzle

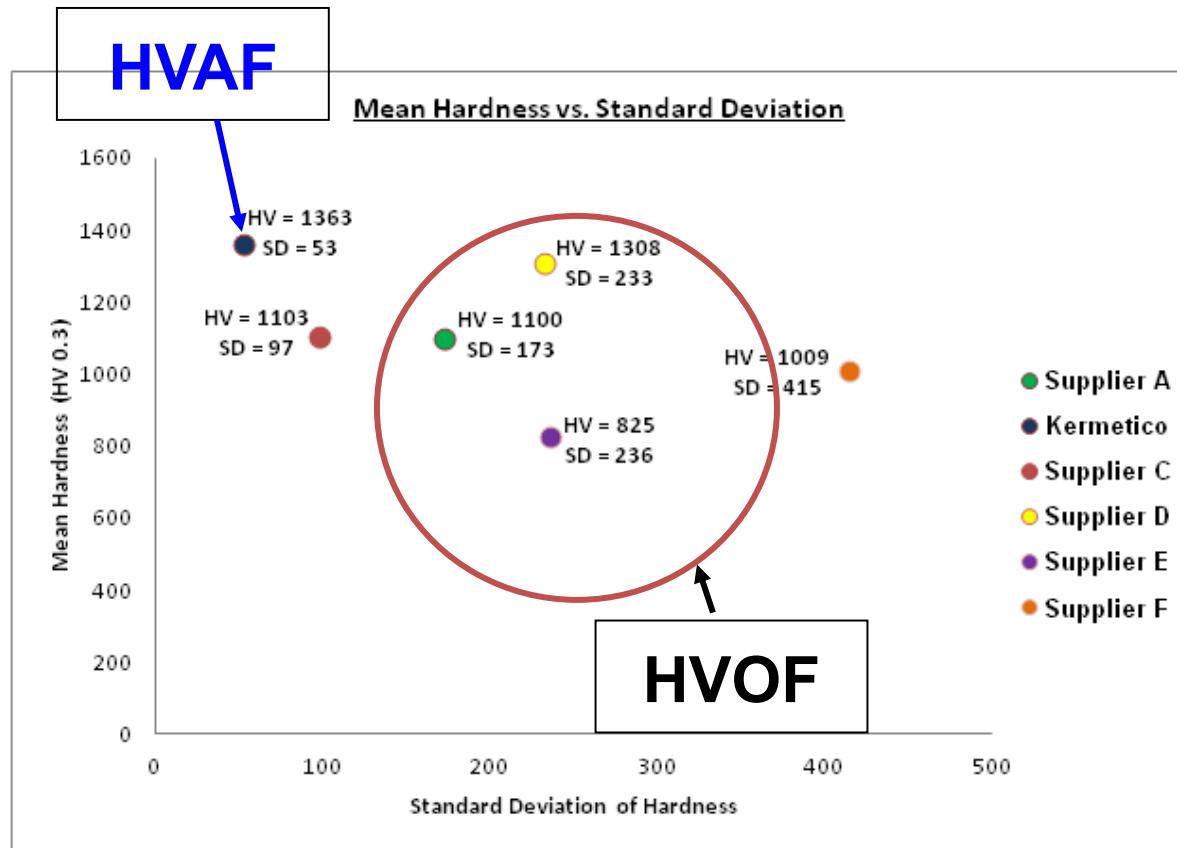
Kermetico HVAE:

$$D_{\text{powder jet}} / D_{\text{nozzle}} = 0.1-0.2$$

- I. There is practically no restriction on the nozzle length to reach necessary acceleration of spray particles
- II. Uniform acceleration = uniform coating structure and properties

Uniformity of HVAF coatings properties:

Hardness of HVOF and Kermetico HVAF WC-10Co-4Cr coatings (Schlumberger, UK)



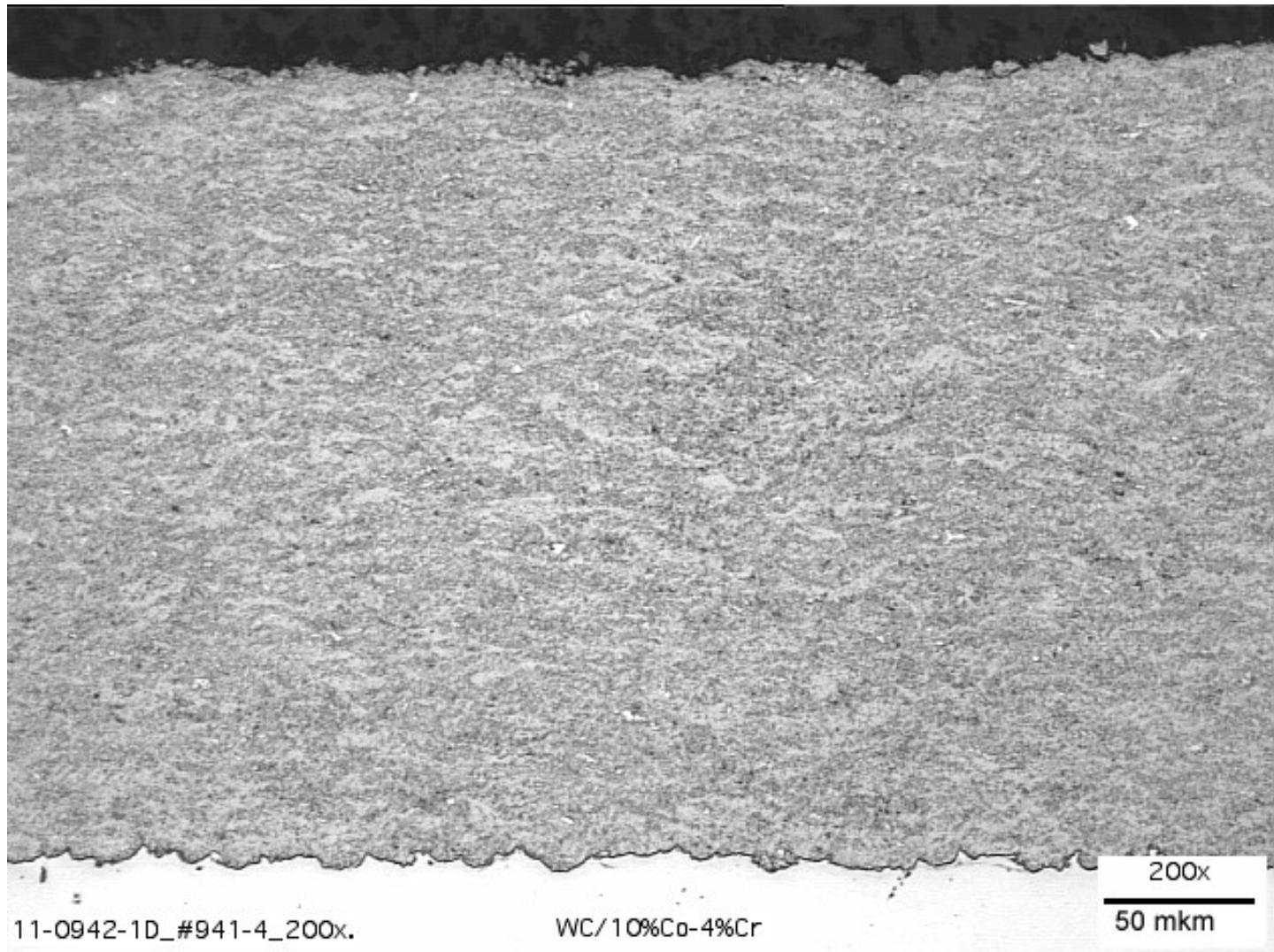
Relative standard deviation, %



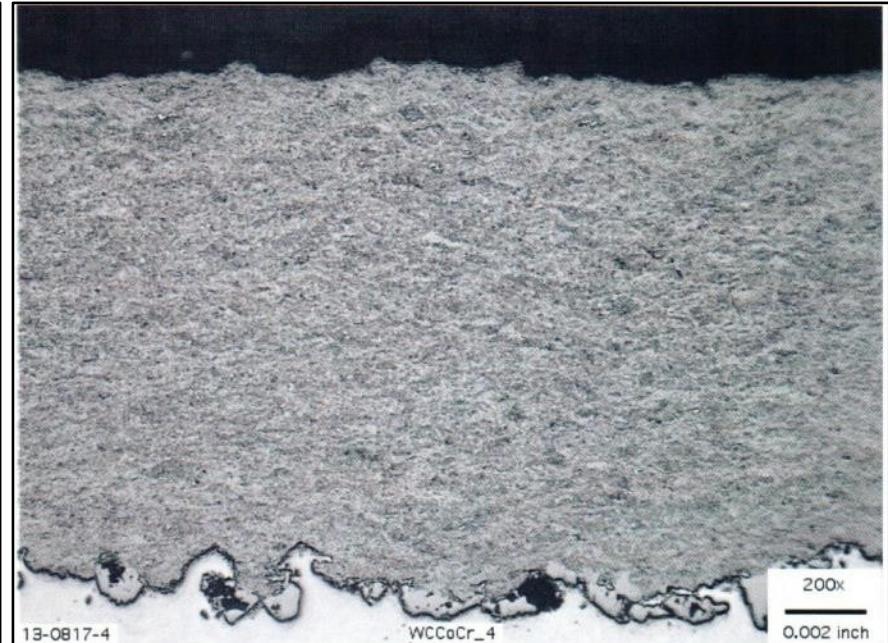
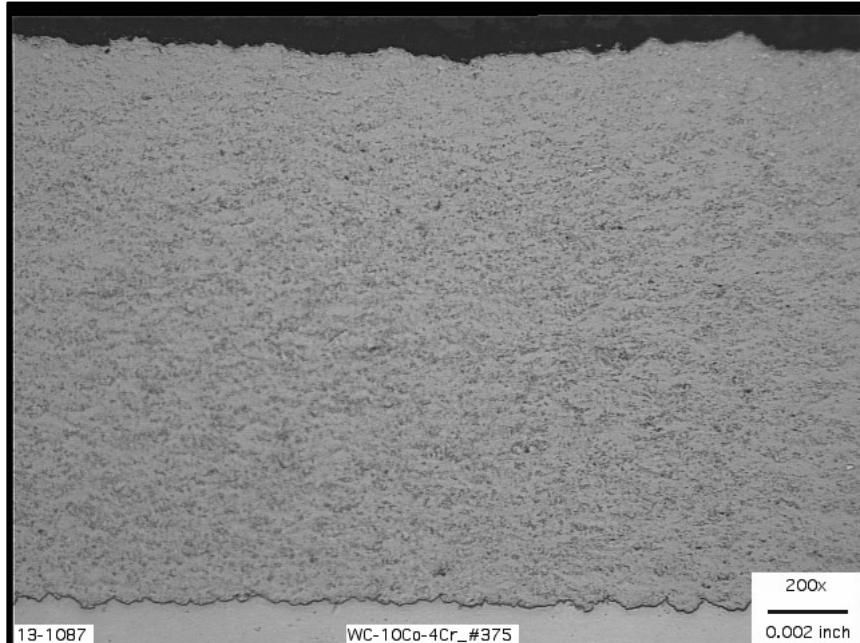
HVAF: 3.9 %
HVOF: 15.7-17.8%

WC-10Co-4Cr coating characterization

Propane
1470 HV300



WC-10Co-4Cr coating characterization

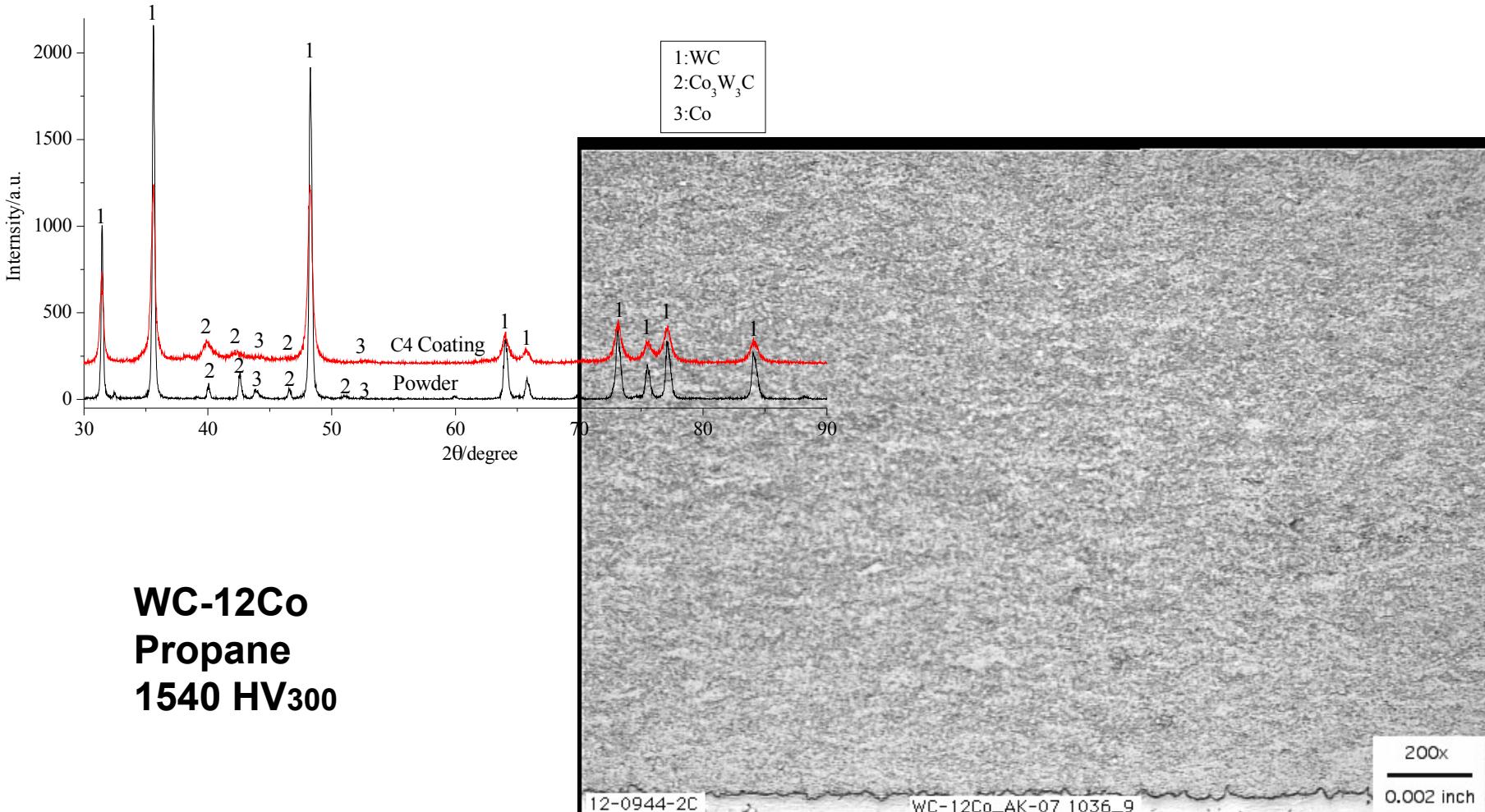


**Propane- 60% Butane
1500 HV300**

**Propylene
1650 HV300**

Kermetico HVAF:

Carbides hard, but... ductile



**WC-12Co
Propane
1540 HV300**

Data of Central Power Research Institute Bangalore, India

**Comparison of WC-10Co-4Cr coatings, deposited with
HVOF (JP5000) and
Kermetico HVAF (AK06)**

Notes:

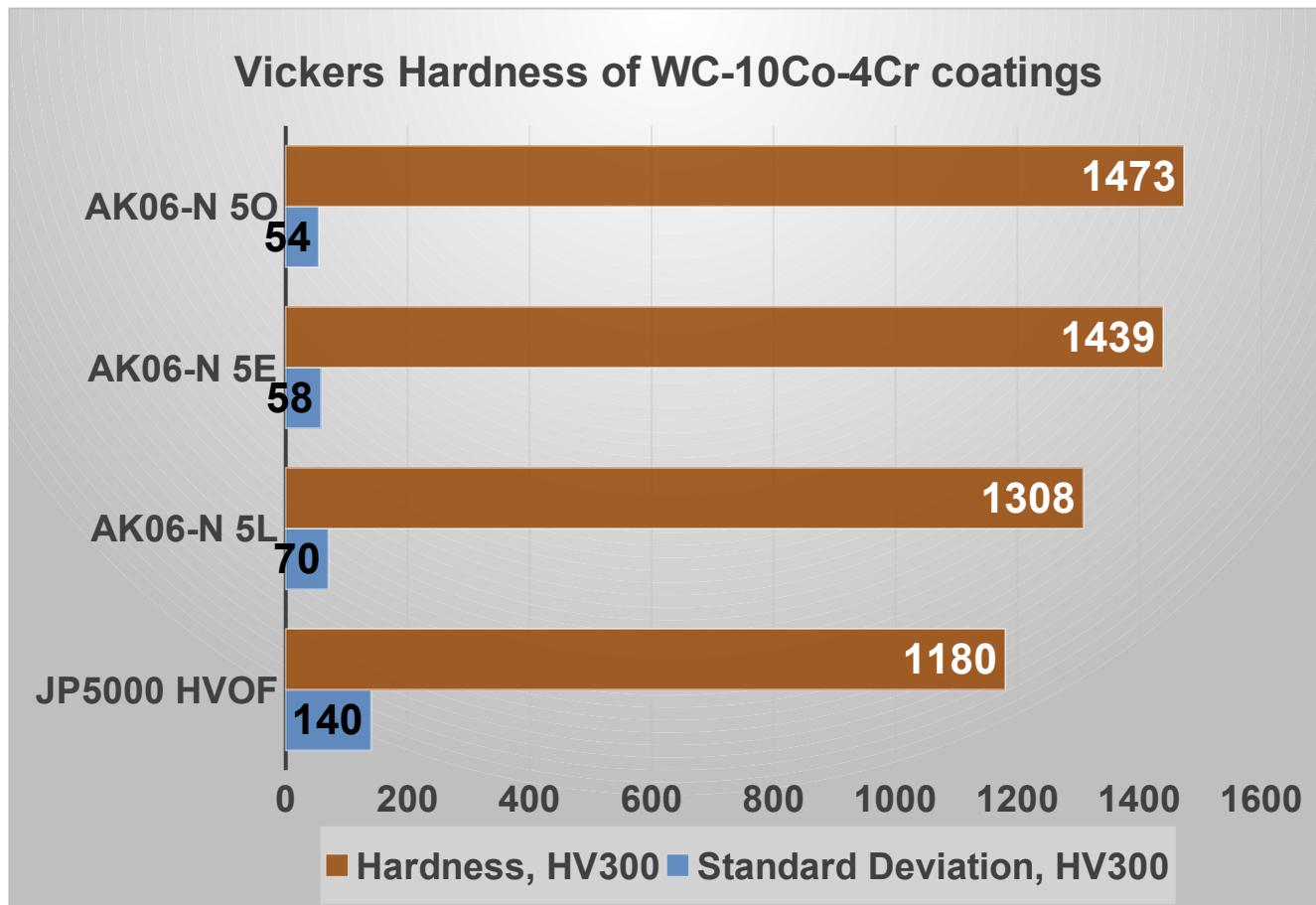
HVOF optimized for the best cavitation resistance

**HVAF applied in different modes, targeting different particle
velocity (coating hardness)**

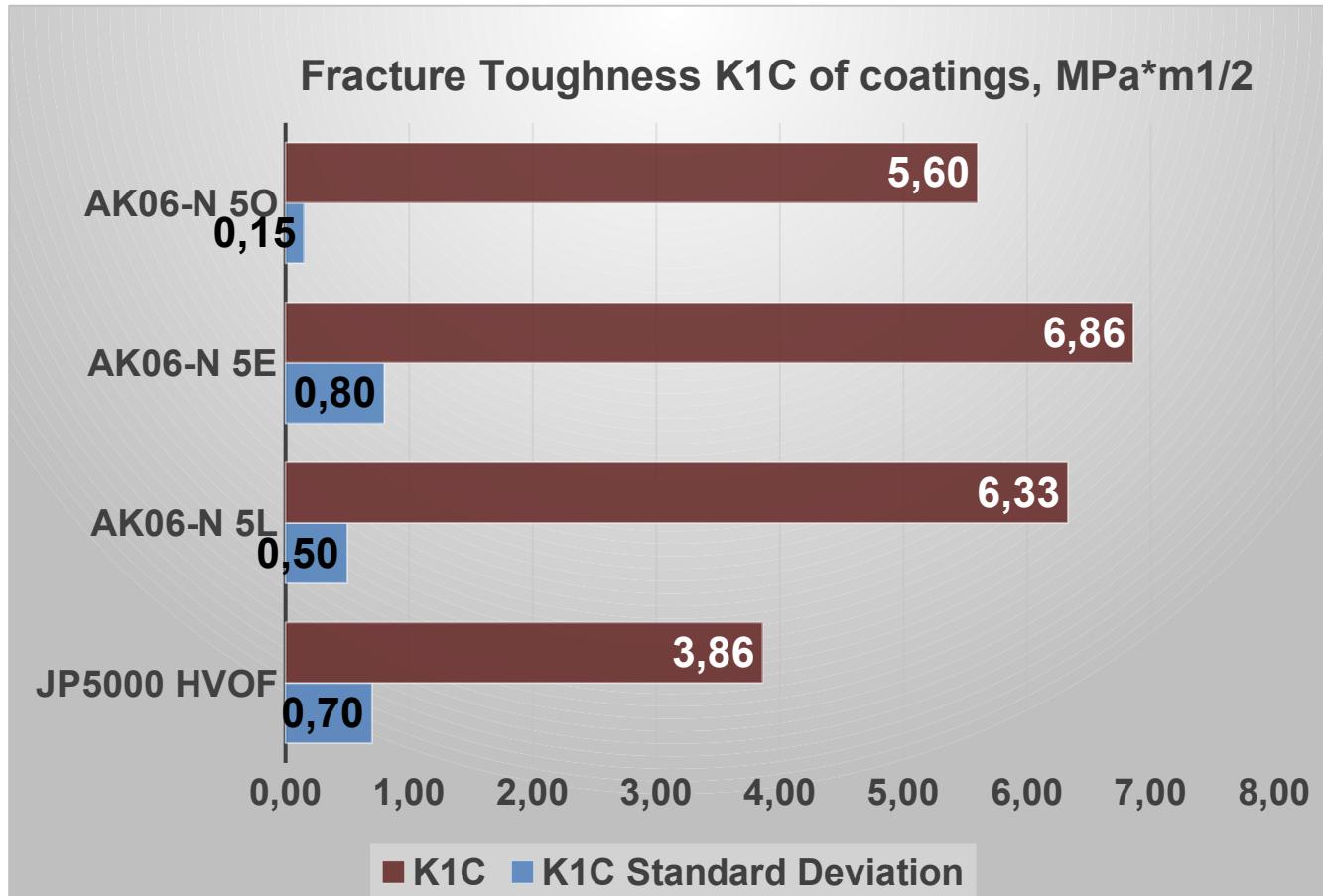
Spray Parameters: Normalized

	JP5000 HVOF	Kermetico AK6 HVAF		
		Nozzle 5L	Nozzle 5E	Nozzle 5O
Oxidizer flow, SLPM	O2: 873.1	Air: 2,104 (O2: 421.0)		
Fuel, g/sec	5.01	2.65		
O ₂ /Fuel Ratio vs. Stoichiometric	1.16 (Oxidizing)	1.03 (~Neutral)		
Carrier Nitrogen, SLPM	10.85	21		
Combustion pressure, Bar	7.56	5.25		
Powder feed rate, g/sec	1.50	2.22		
Particle average size, micron	27	18		
Particle velocity, m/s	740	895 +/-2	960 +/-3	1010+/-4
Particle temperature, °C	1790-1840	1470 +/-10	1460 +/-10	1470 +/-10
Particle kinetic energy, μJ	29.4	12.7	14.7	16.2
Energy density, GJ/m ³ = = Contact pressure, GPa	3.8	5.6	6.4	7.1

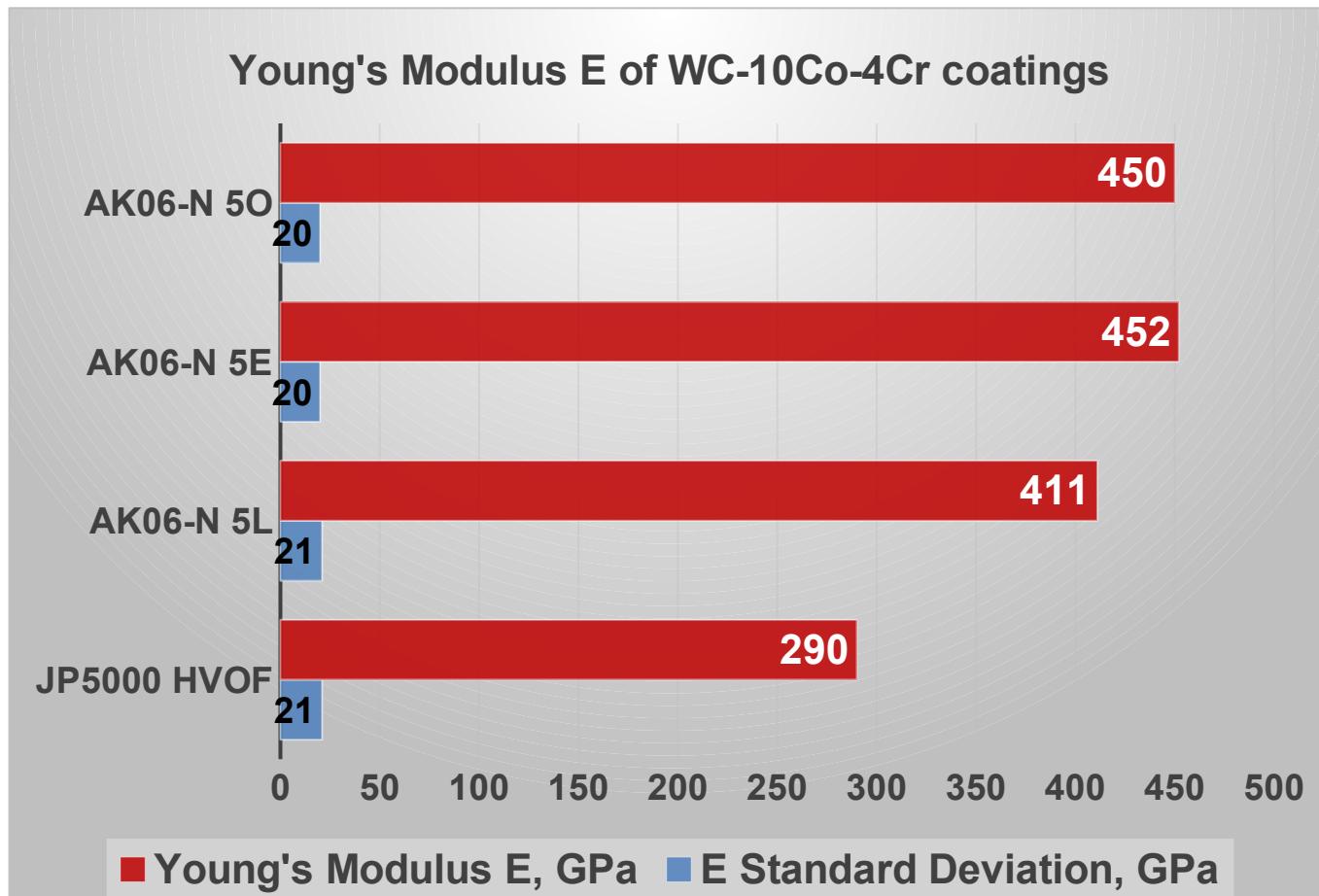
Mechanical Properties: WC-10Co-4Cr



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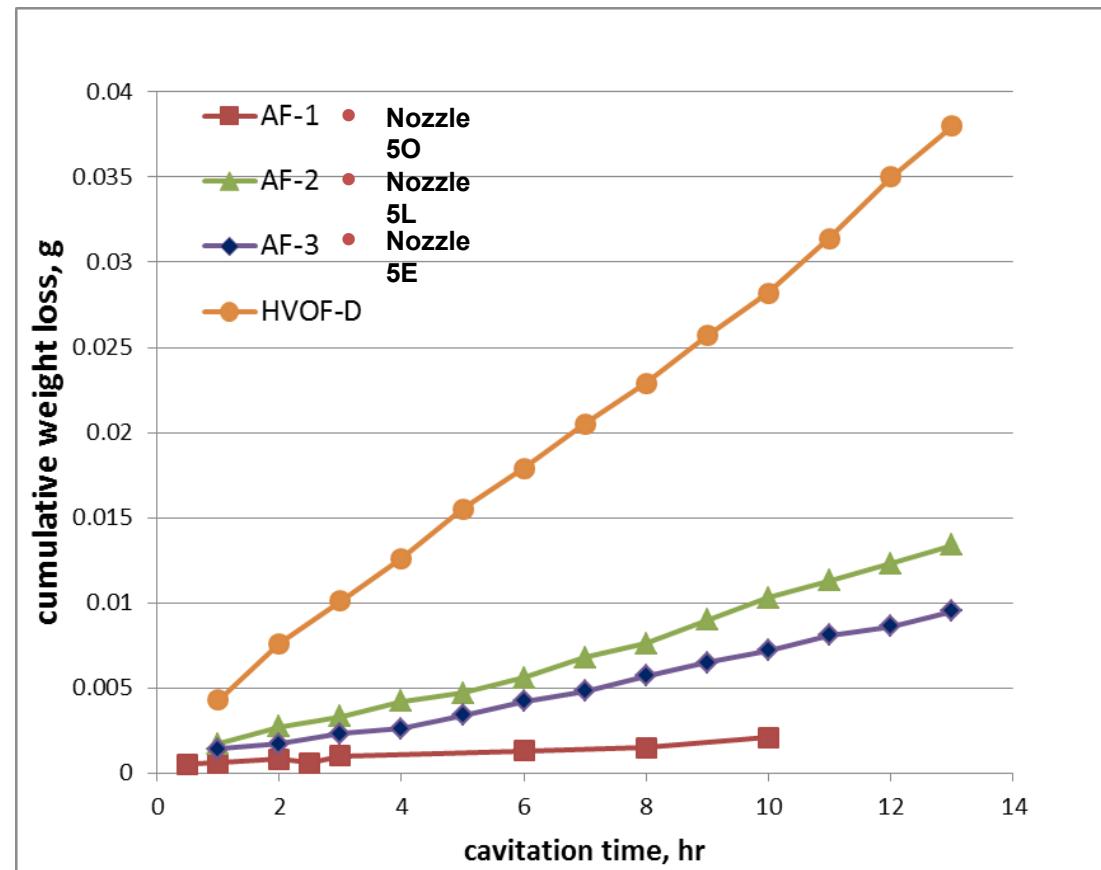
Cavitation Resistance of WC-10Co-4Cr HVOF and HVAF coatings

$(dw/dt)_{AF1(5O)} = 0.23 \text{ mg/h}$
 $(dw/dt)_{AF3(5E)} = 0.71 \text{ mg/h}$
 $(dw/dt)_{AF2(5L)} = 0.96 \text{ mg/h}$

$(dw/dt)_{HVOF} = > 3.26 \text{ mg/h}$

$(dw/dt)_{16\text{Cr}-5\text{Ni steel}} = 2.0 - 2.5 \text{ mg/h}$

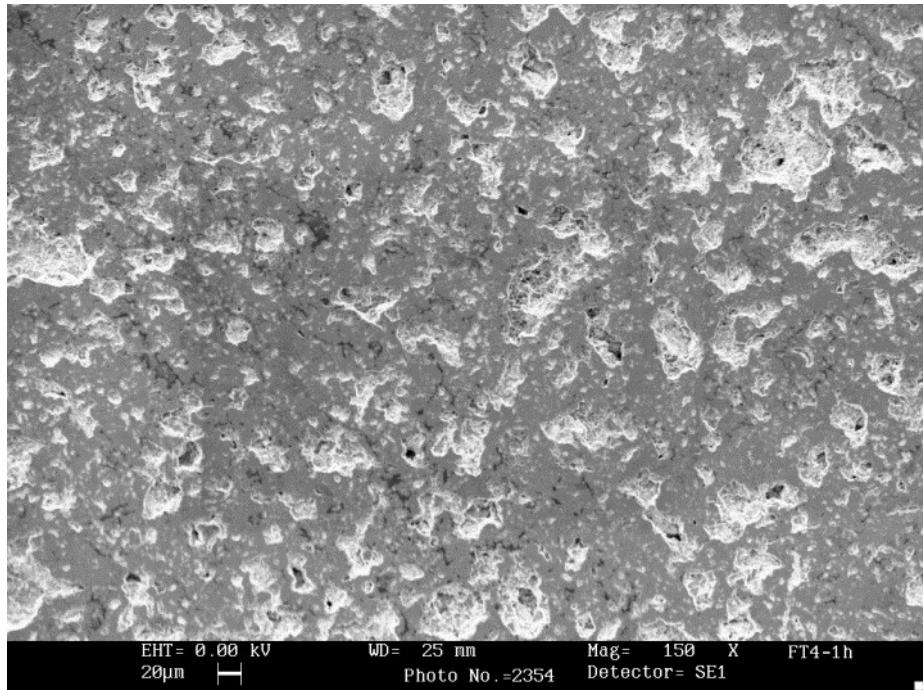
$$\frac{d(\text{weight loss})}{d(\text{time})} = dw/dt$$



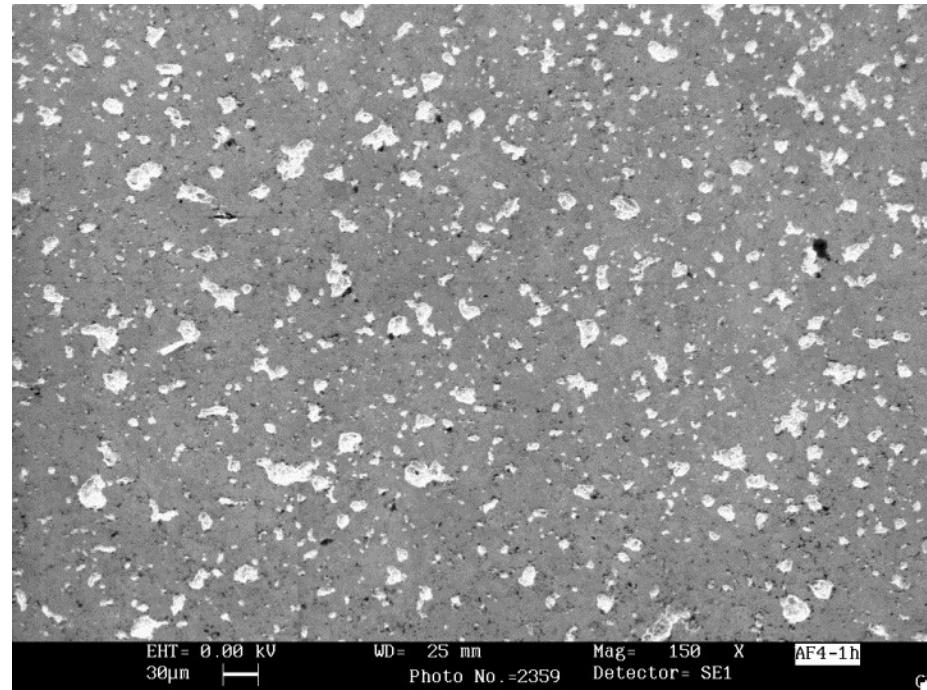
Surface SEM Micrographs of WC-10Co-4Cr Coatings after Cavitation Testing

Test duration: 1 hour

JP5000 HVOF



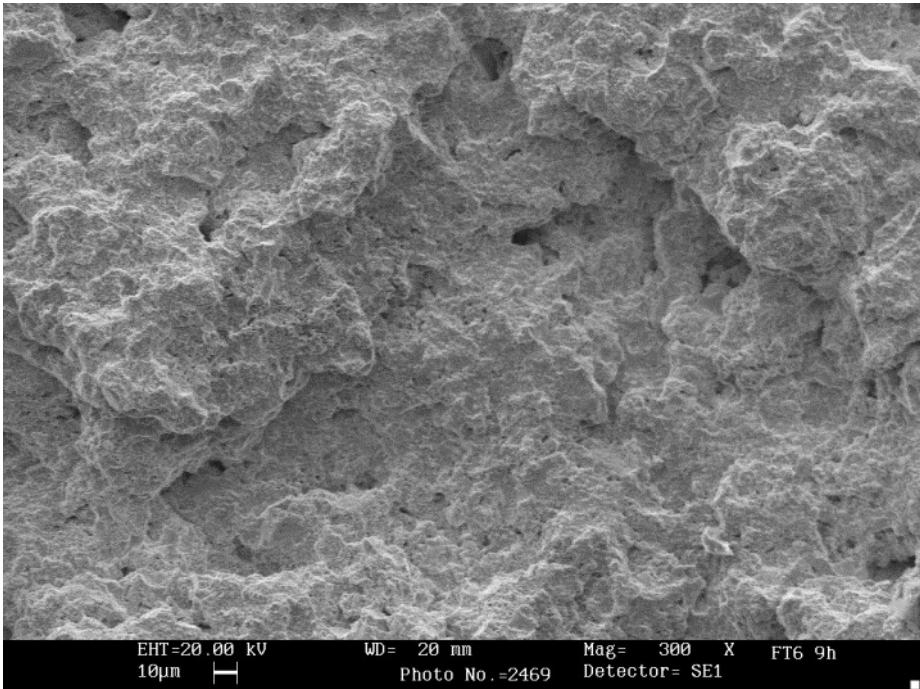
AK6 HVAF



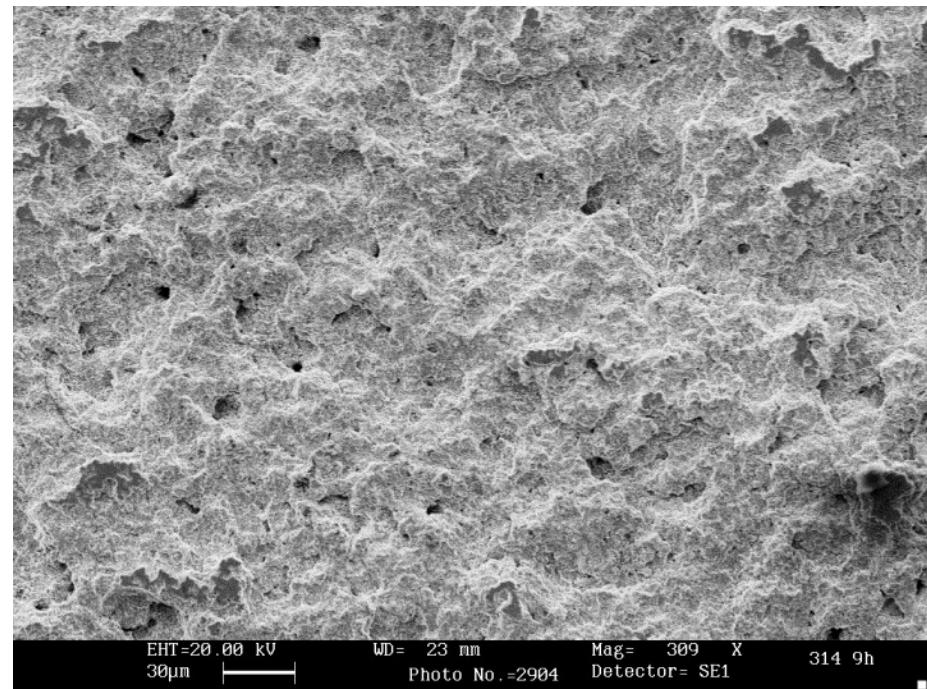
Surface SEM Micrographs of WC-10Co-4Cr Coatings after Cavitation Testing

Test duration: 9 hours

JP5000 HVOF

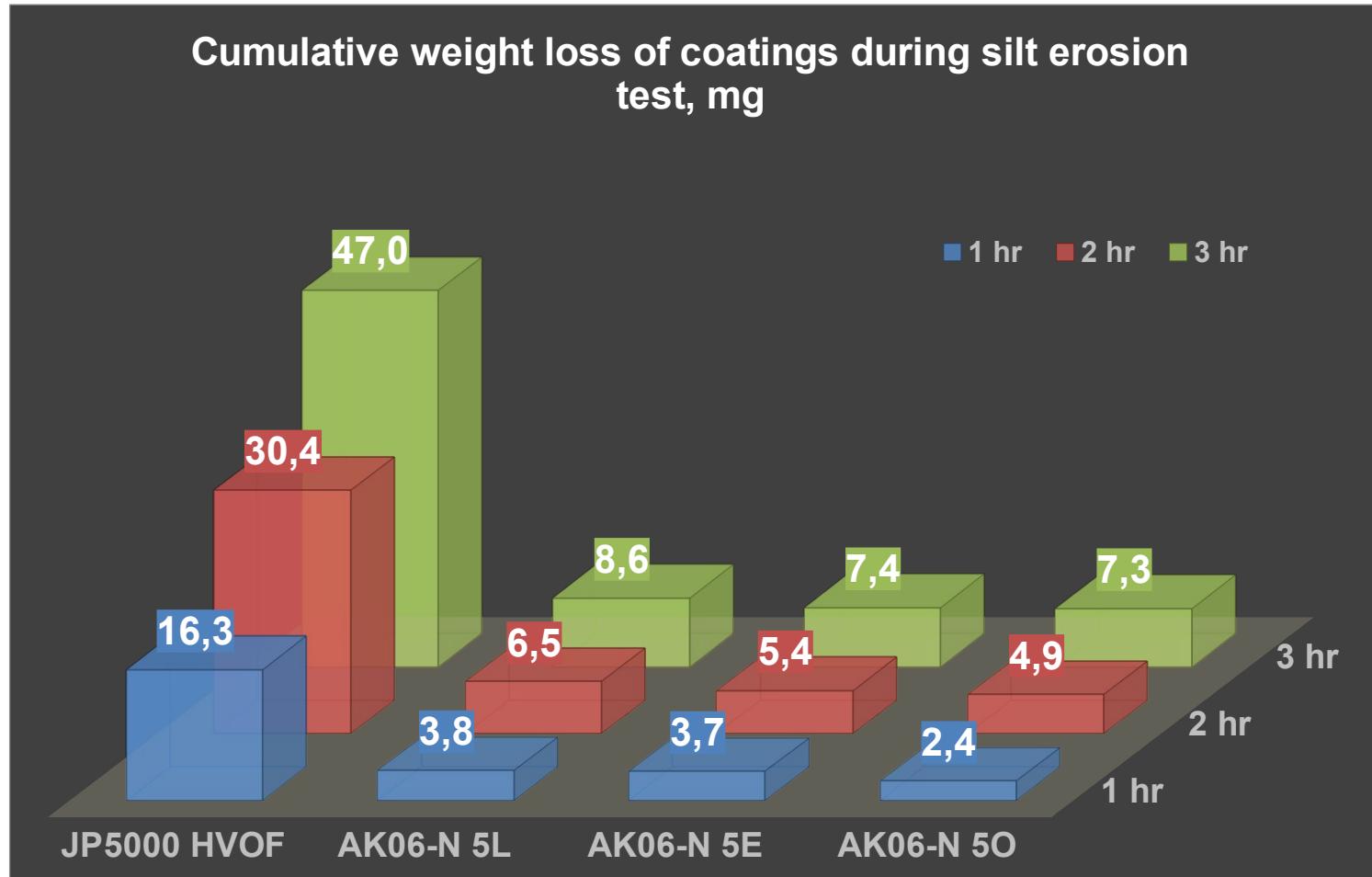


AK6 HVAF



Resistance to Silt Erosion

WC-10Co-4Cr HVOF and HVAF coatings



**Other third-party data,
comparing Kermetico HVAF WC-10Co-4Cr
coatings to the best HVOF and Detonation
systems**

Test Results

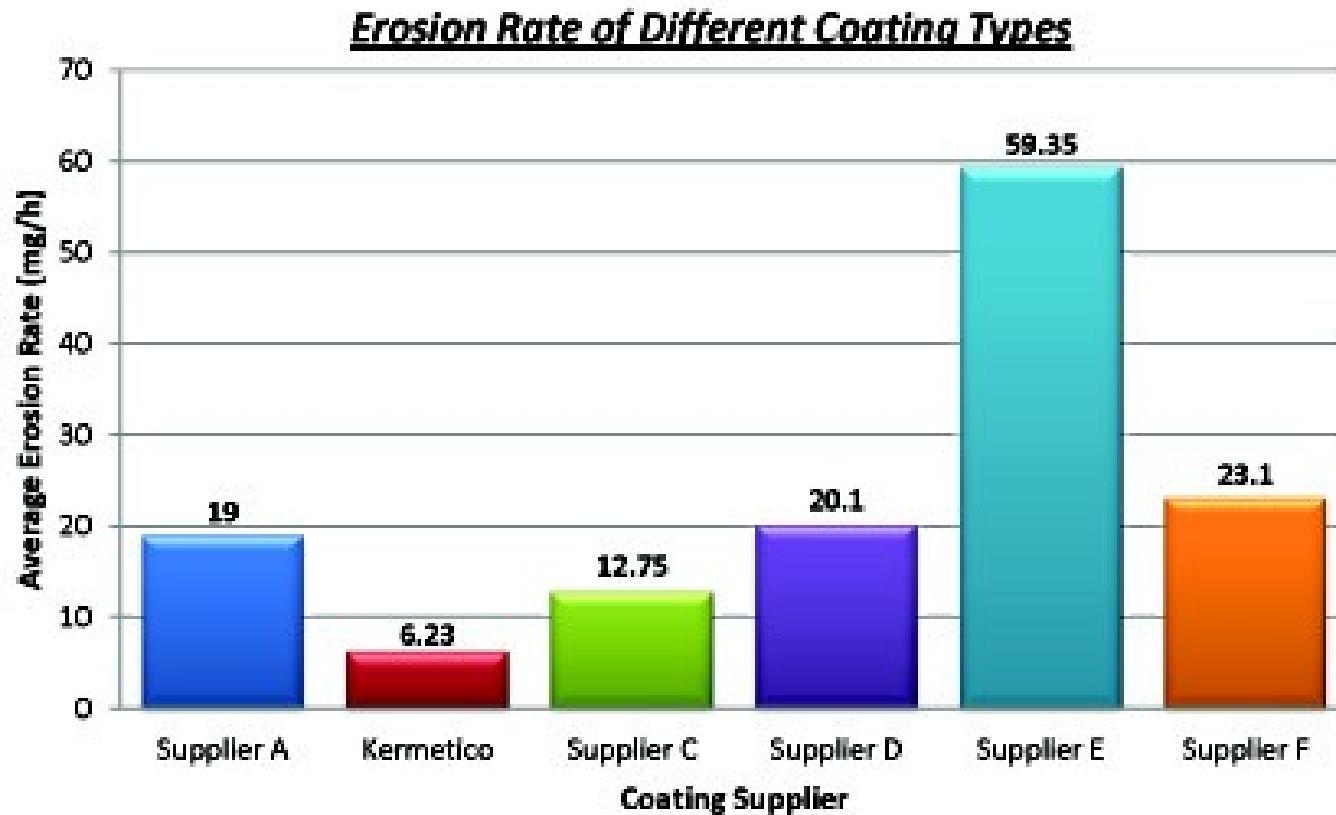
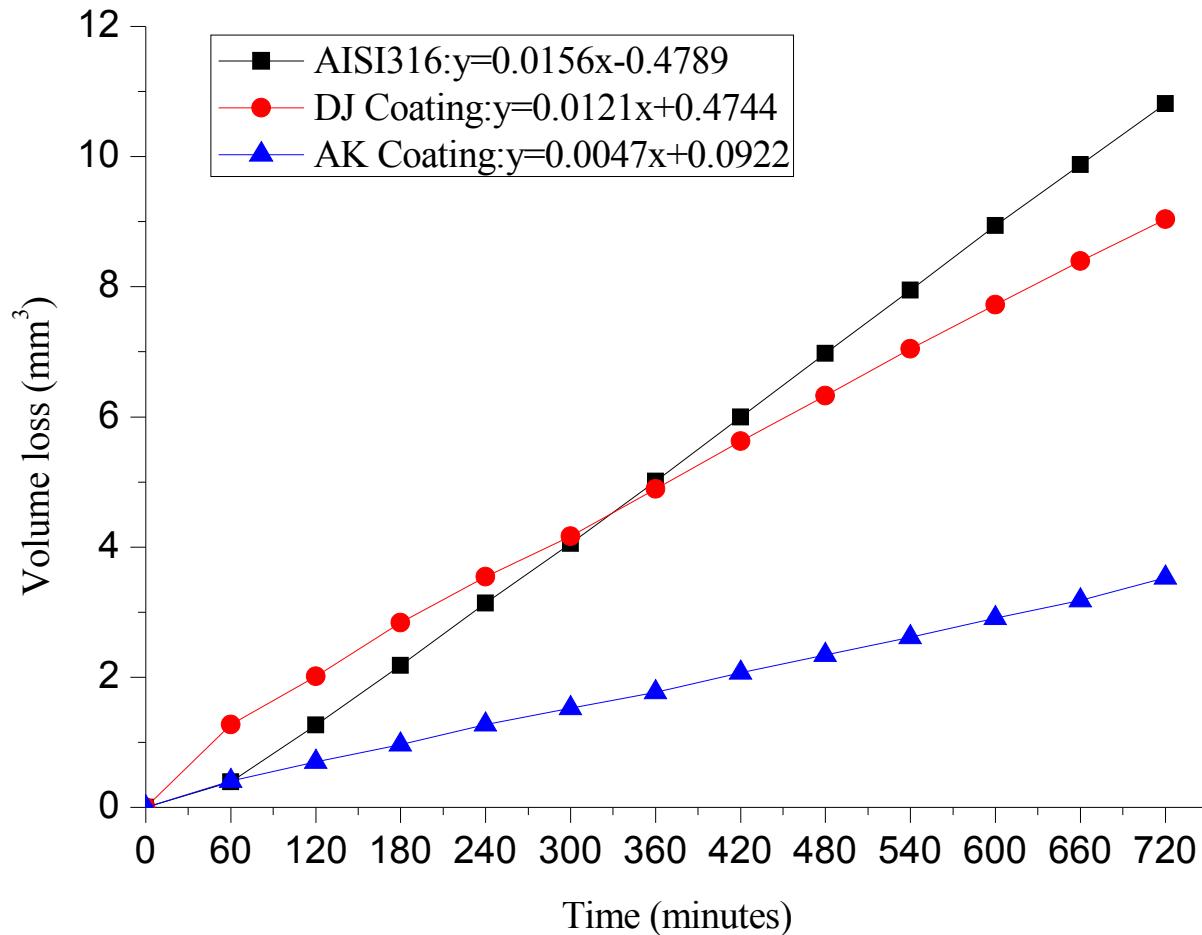


FIGURE 5 - EROSION RATE OF DIFFERENT SUPPLIER COATINGS

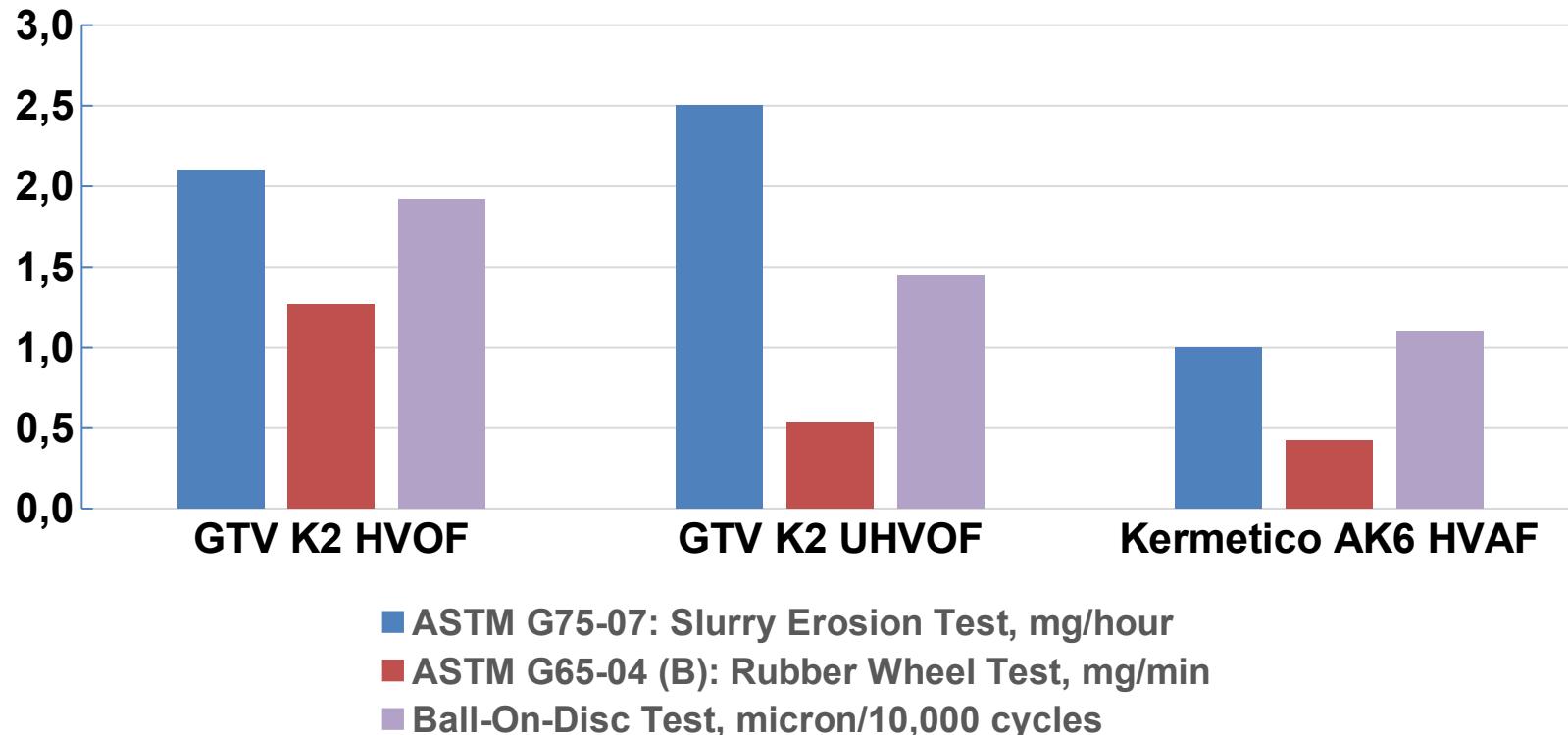
Hunan University

Changsha, Hunan, China:

WC-10Co-4Cr HVOF & HVAF coatings. Cavitation test



InnoMat GmbH Report on WCCoCr coatings for Stellba AG (2016)



Slat Spray: All WCCoCr samples passed 312-hour test

K2 HVOF K2 UHVOF AK6 HVAF

Before testing



After 312-hours
testing



Note: HVAF samples were tested after Pin-On-Disc Wear Test

Economical aspects of Kermetico HVAF spraying: Your Choice of Cost and Quality



HVAF-E (Economy) – meets HVOF specs

HVAF-B (Balanced) – exceeds HVOF specs

HVAF-U (Ultra) – substantially exceeds HVOF specs

Economic aspects of Kermetico HVAF

Gun Setup	Coating Hardness , HV ₃₀₀	Coating Porosity, %	Deposit Efficiency, %
Economy (E)	1050-1250	<0.8	65+
Balanced (B)	1250-1350	<0.5	48 - 58
Ultra (U)	1450-1700	<0.1	36 - 42

High spray rates are applicable for large and small parts



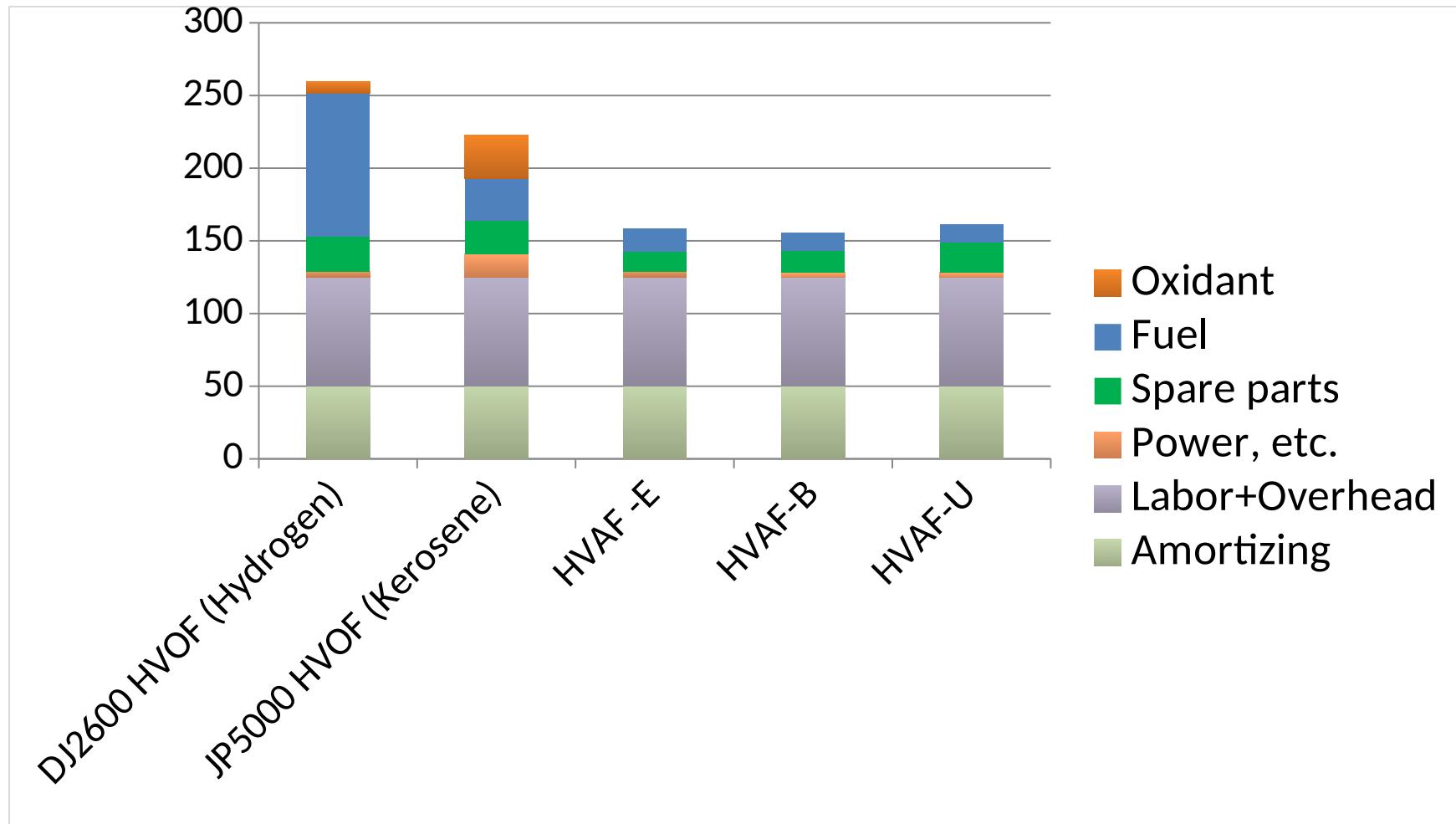
O.D. 38 mm: Rate 25 kg/hour



O.D. 330 mm: Rate 32 kg/hour

Data for WC-10Co-4Cr, agglomerated & sintered powder

HVOF vs HVAF WC-10Co-4Cr costs

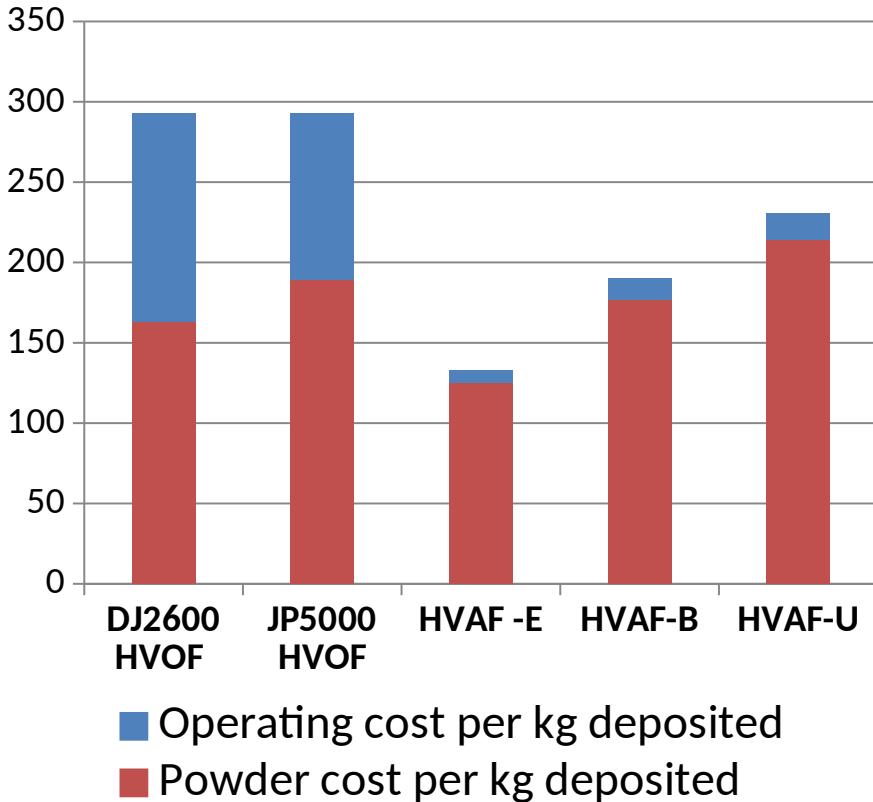


**Comparison of HVAF and HVOF operating costs, USD per hour
(prices in Texas, USA)**

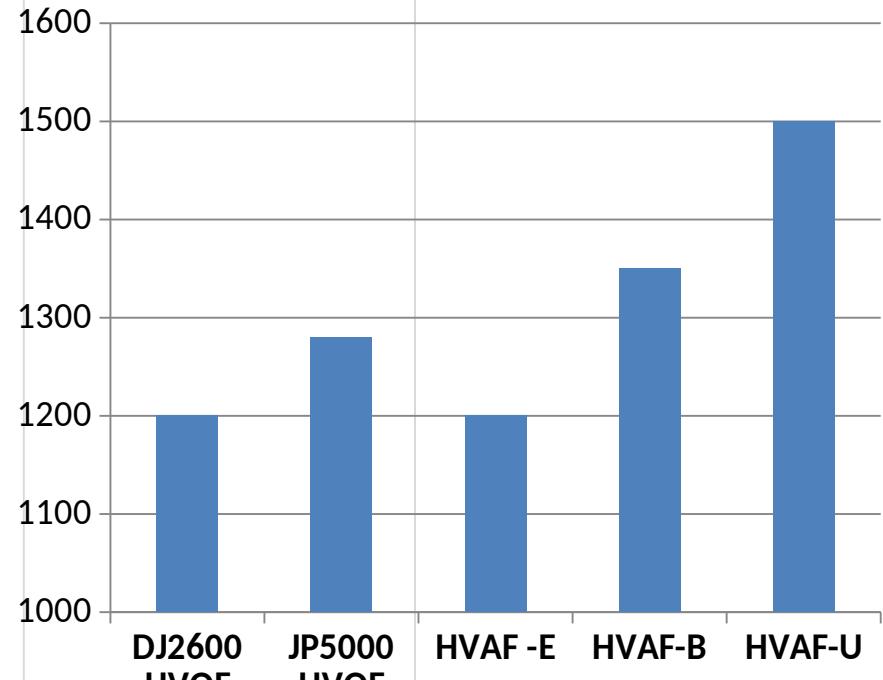
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Cost per WCCoCr kg deposited, USD



WCCoCr Coating Hardness, HV300



Note: Cost of WC-Co-Cr powder: \$81.4 per kg

	DJ2600 HVOF	JP5000 HVOF	HVAF-E	HVAF-B	HVAF-U
Spray Rate, kg/hour	4	5	32	26	26
Deposition Efficiency	50%	43%	65%	46%	38%

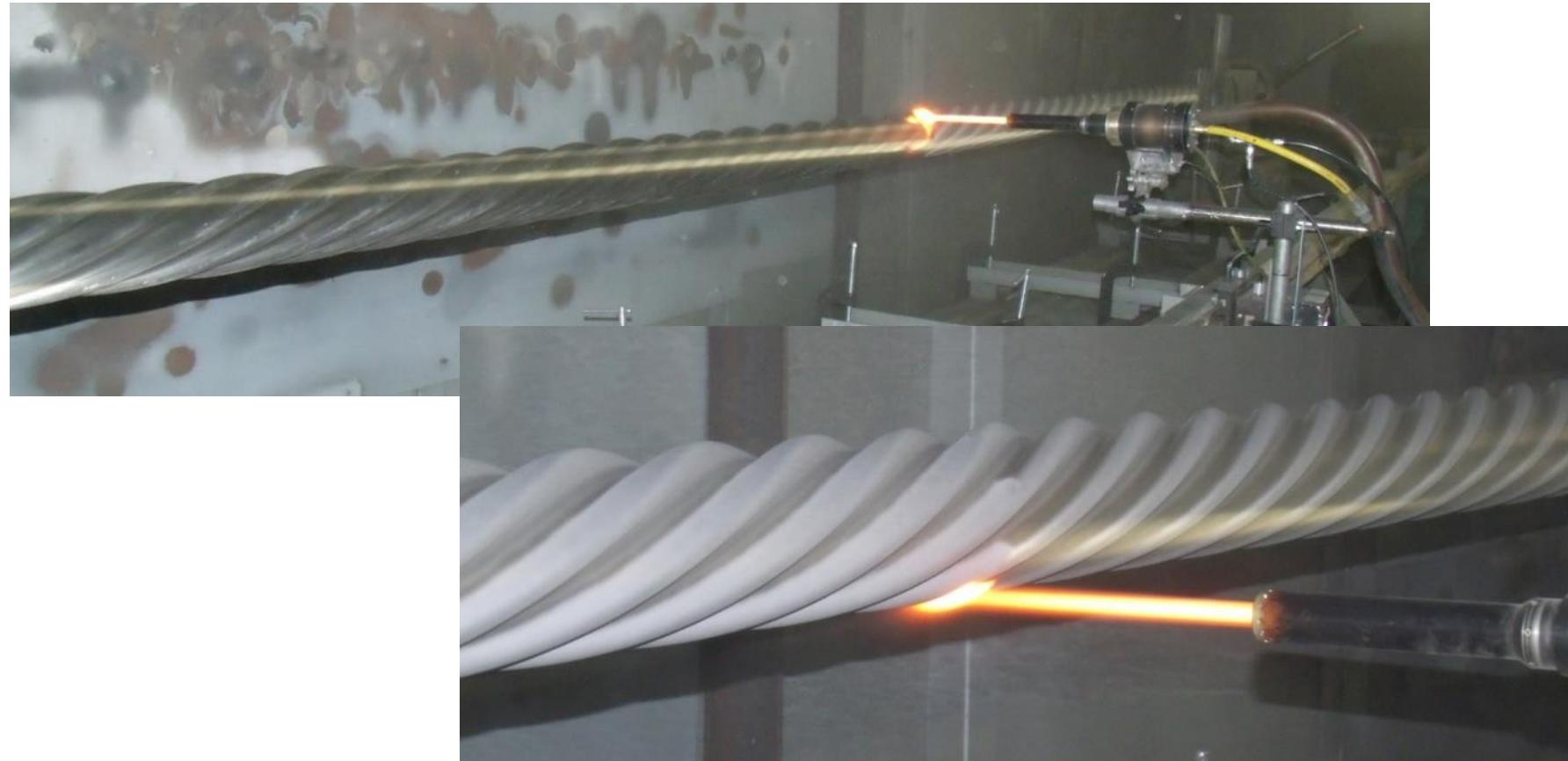
HVOF vs HVAF WC-10Co-4Cr costs

WC-Co-Cr powder cost: 81.4 USD/kg	DJ2600 HVOF	JP5000 HVOF	AK7 HVAF (E)
Total operating cost, USD/hour	260	223	160
Spray rate, kg/hour	4	5	32
Deposition efficiency, %	50	43	65
Deposition rate, kg/hour	2.2	2.2	20.8
Cost per KG of sprayed coating, USD	293	293	133
AK7 savings per KG of deposited coating, USD	160	160	

Changing a HVOF system to Kermetico HVAF saves
160 000 USD per each metric ton of deposited tungsten carbide coating

Examples of Kermetico HVAF Applications

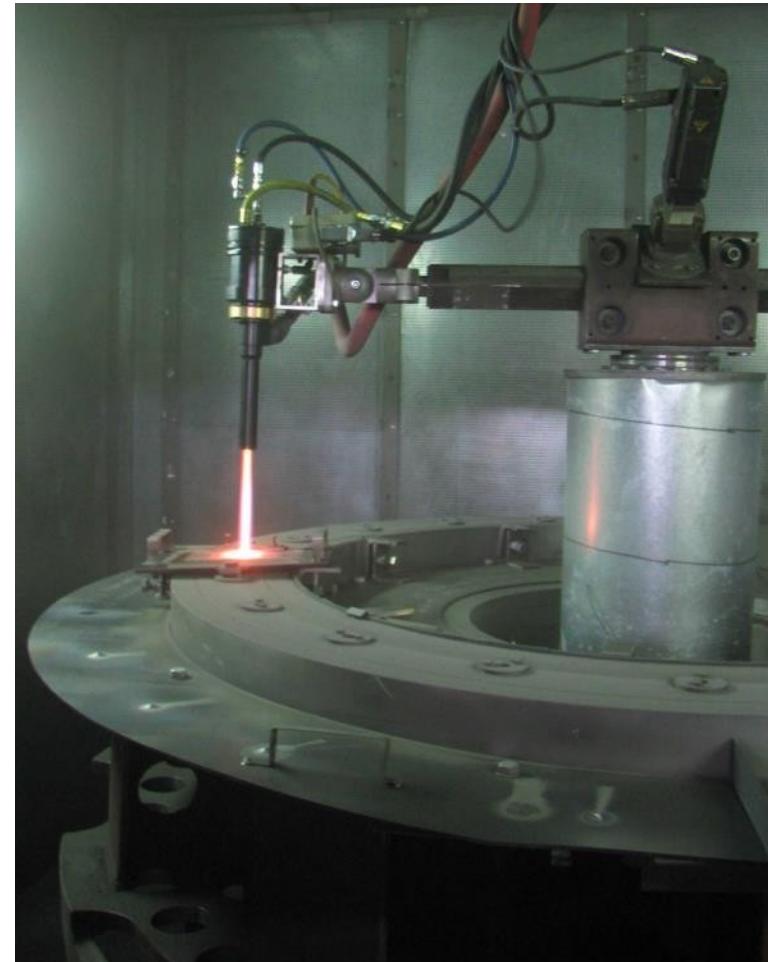
Mud rotors, oil drilling: WC-20Cr7Ni, WC-10Co-4Cr



Hydro-Power:

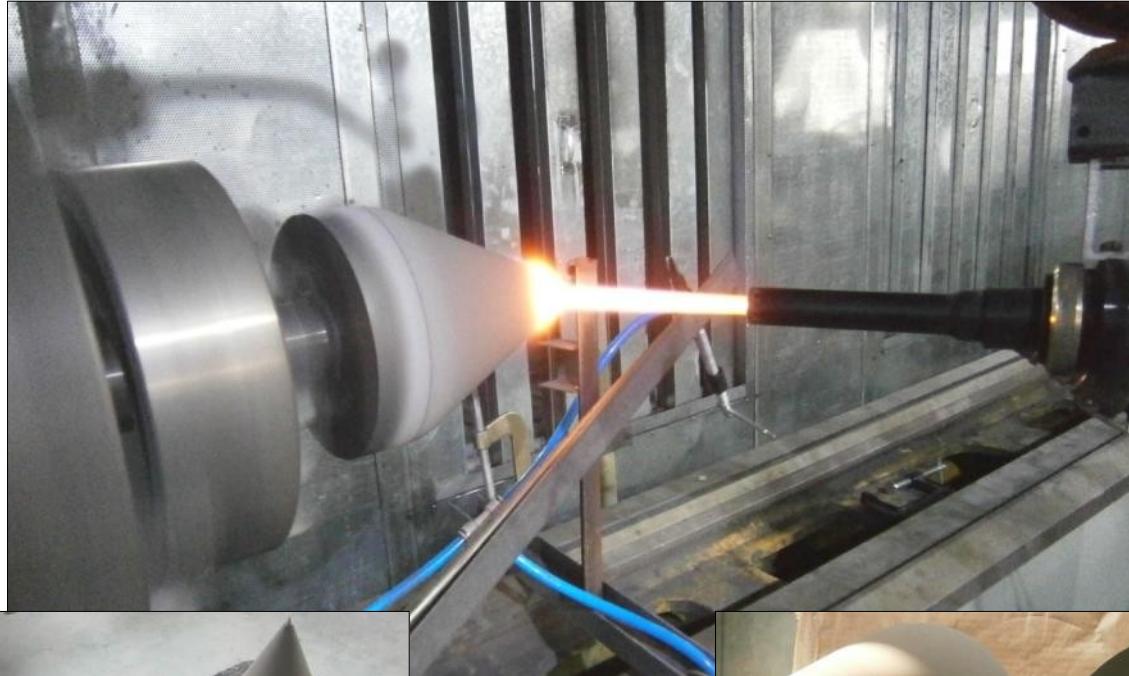
Francis Turbine Runner and Head Cover

WCCoCr Application by Plackart Ltd., Russia



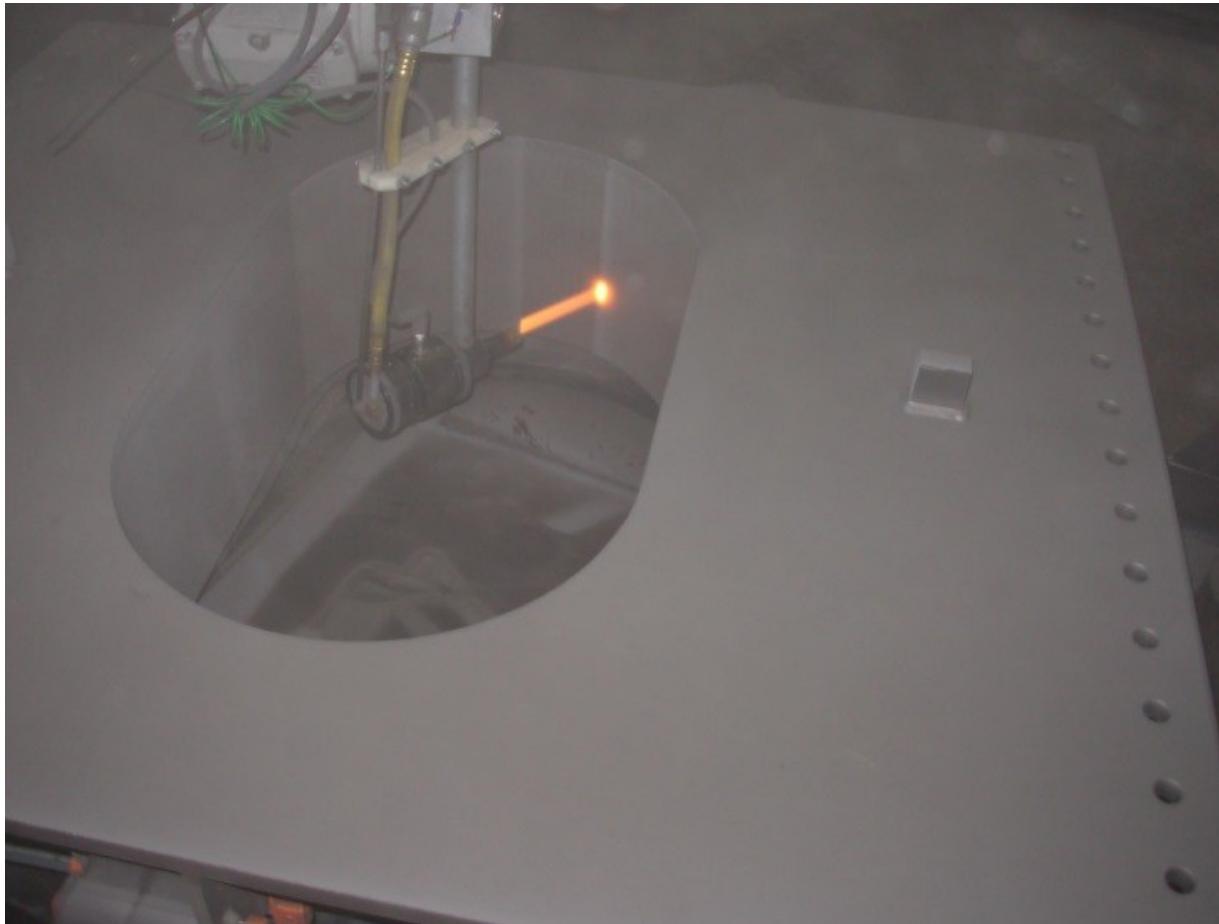
Hydro-Power: Metering Needle Valve and Seat

Application by RenCoat Ltd., China



Sliding Gate of Catalyst Tower

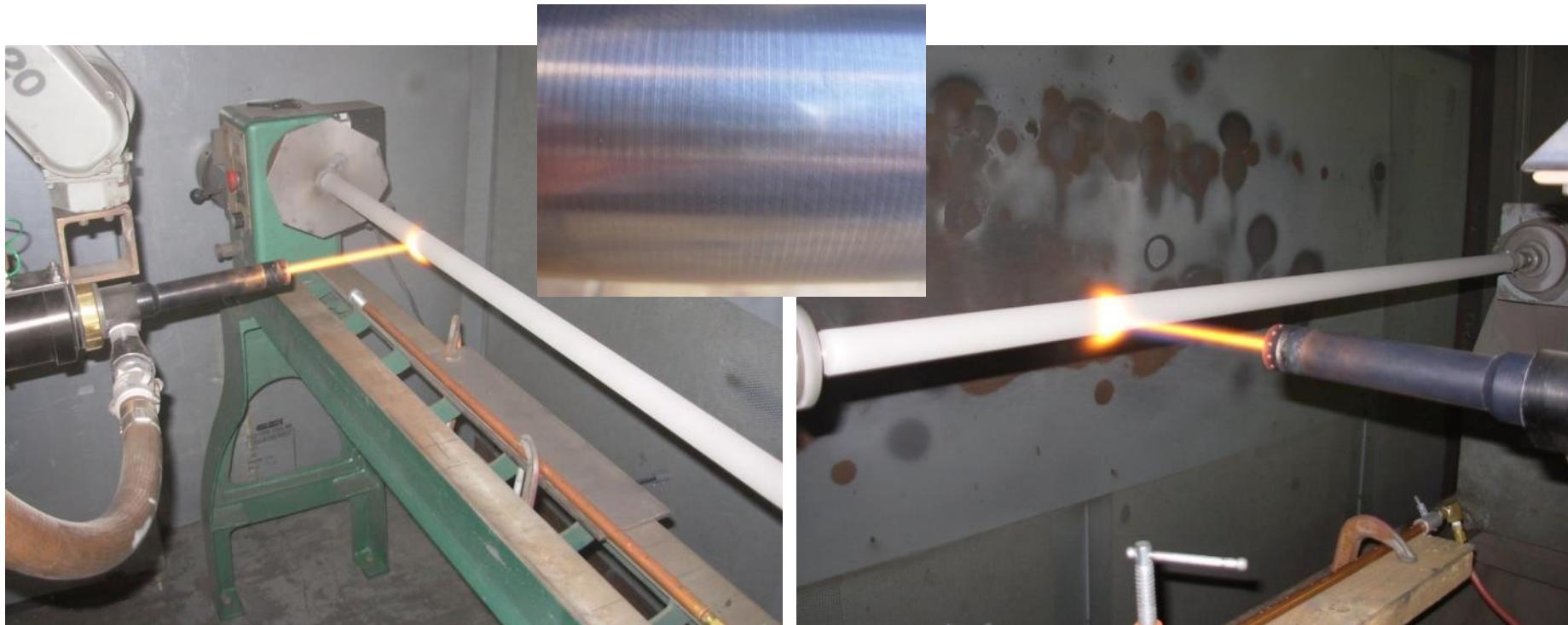
Spraying: Upper slide gate



Hydraulic rods of dock cranes

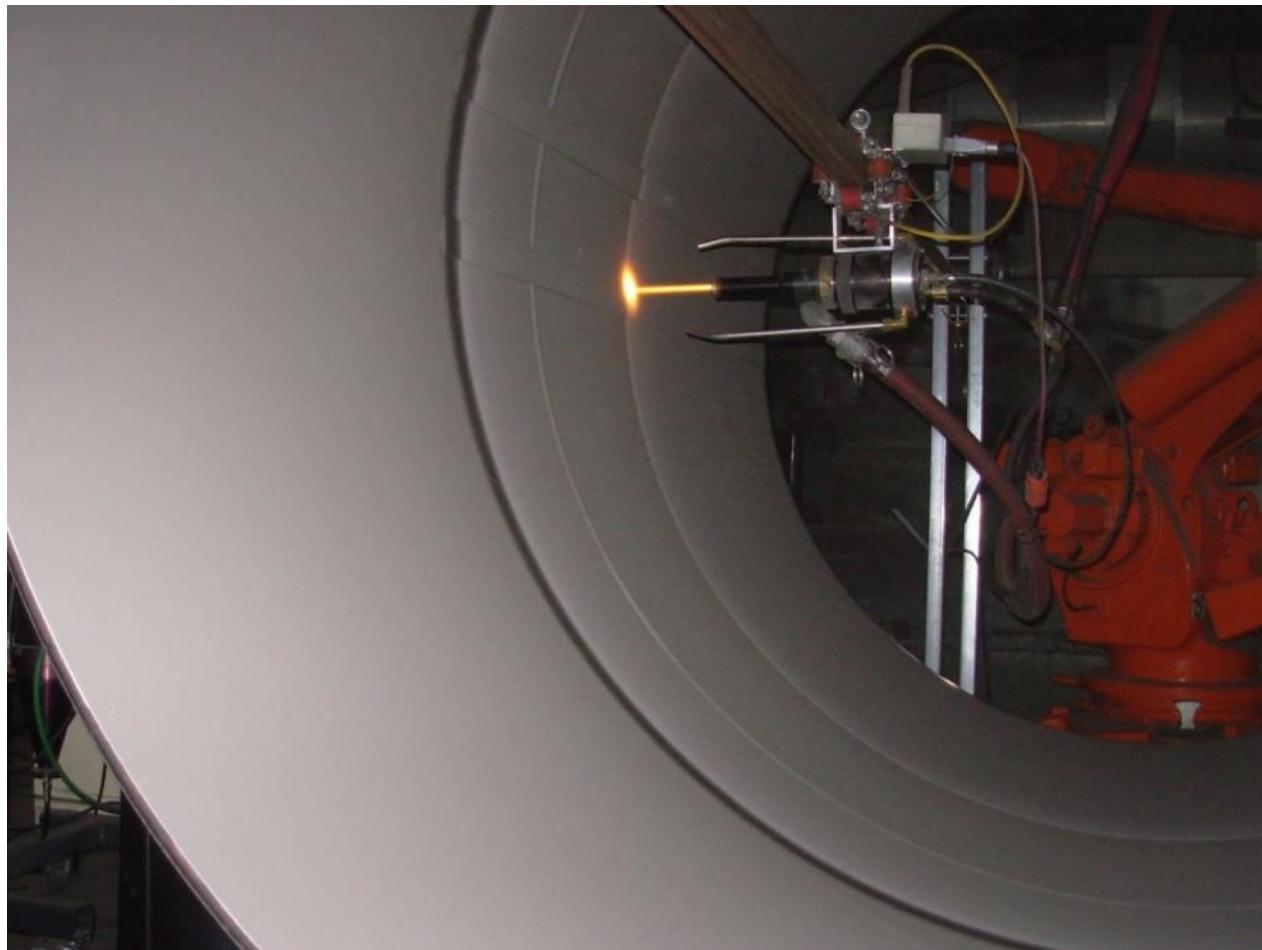
Hard chrome performance: 0.5 year max (pitting)

HVAF WC-Co-Cr coating performance: 4+ years



Refinery: Sulfur condenser vessel

**Application of Hastelloy C HVAF coating
DIA 1.8 m x L 2.4 m**



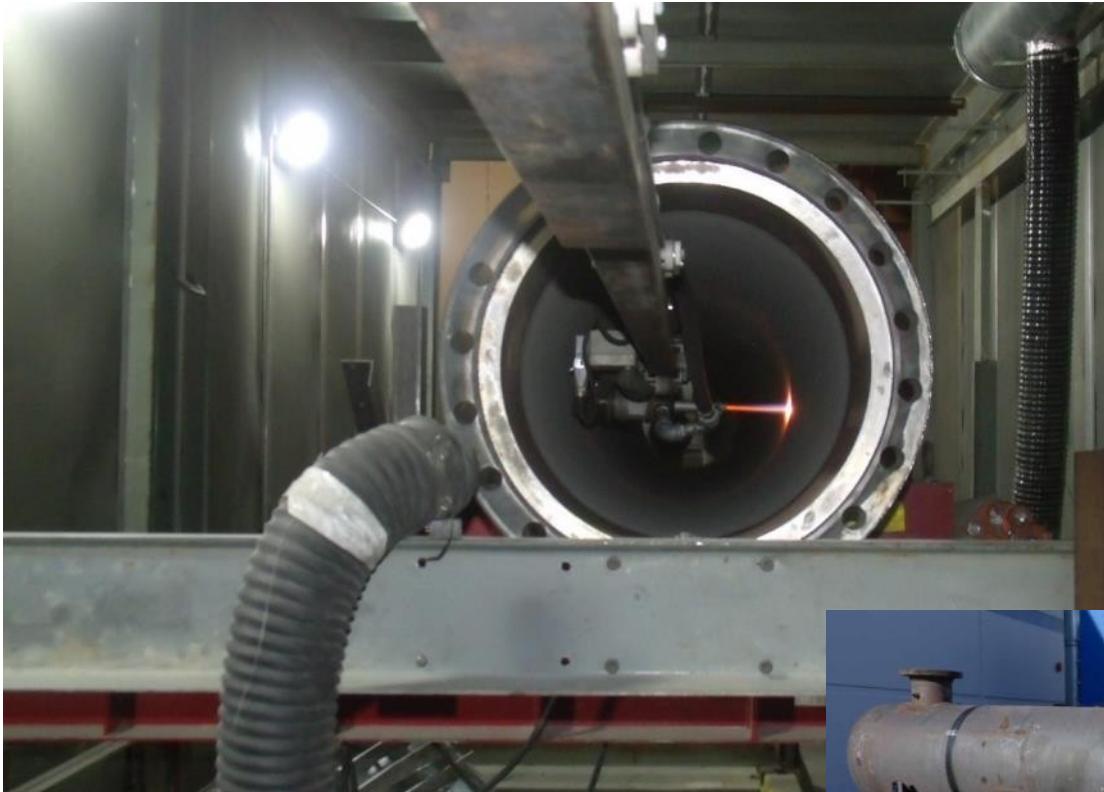
Refinery: Automated coating application with rotating AK5 gun inside closed-end process vessel



Diameter: 1.8 m
Length: 11.8 m



Refinery: Heat exchanger vessels



Double-Elbow, Coke transport line

12-inch ID,
6-feet long



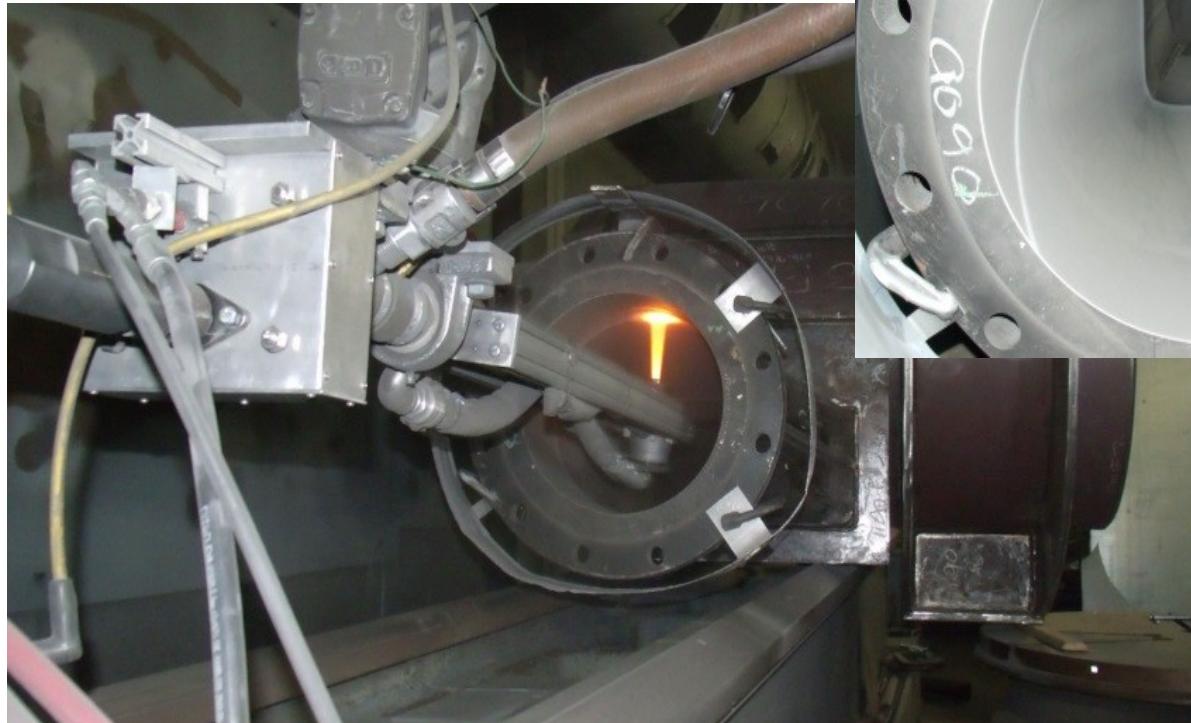
Double-Elbow, Spraying with rotating AK5 gun



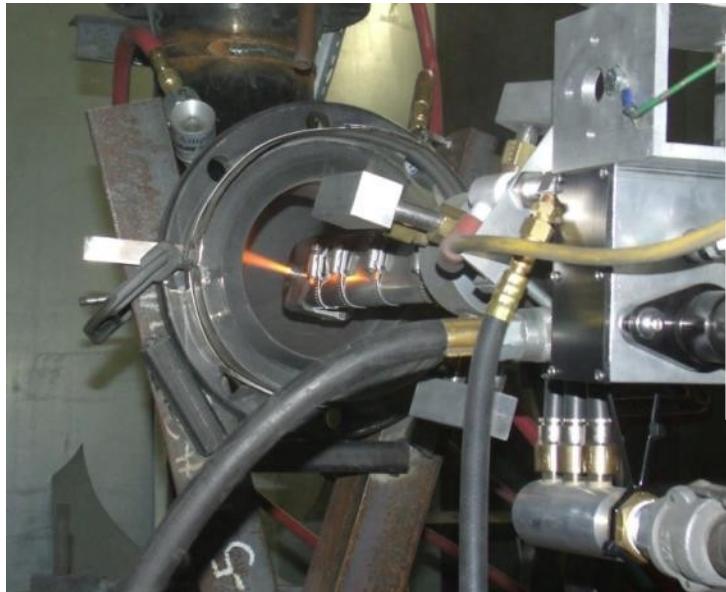
Coke line cyclone: Application of WC-10Co-4Cr coating by rotating AK5 gun



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Small ID transport pipe line components: Application of WC-10Co-4Cr coating by rotating AK-IDR gun



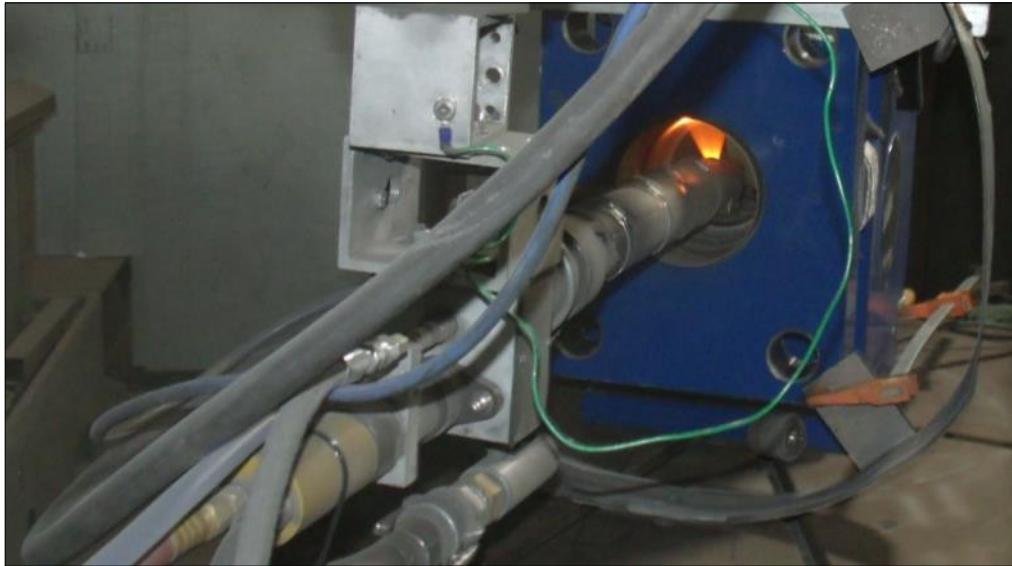
Oil Refinery: Pump Casing ID spraying



Oil Drilling:

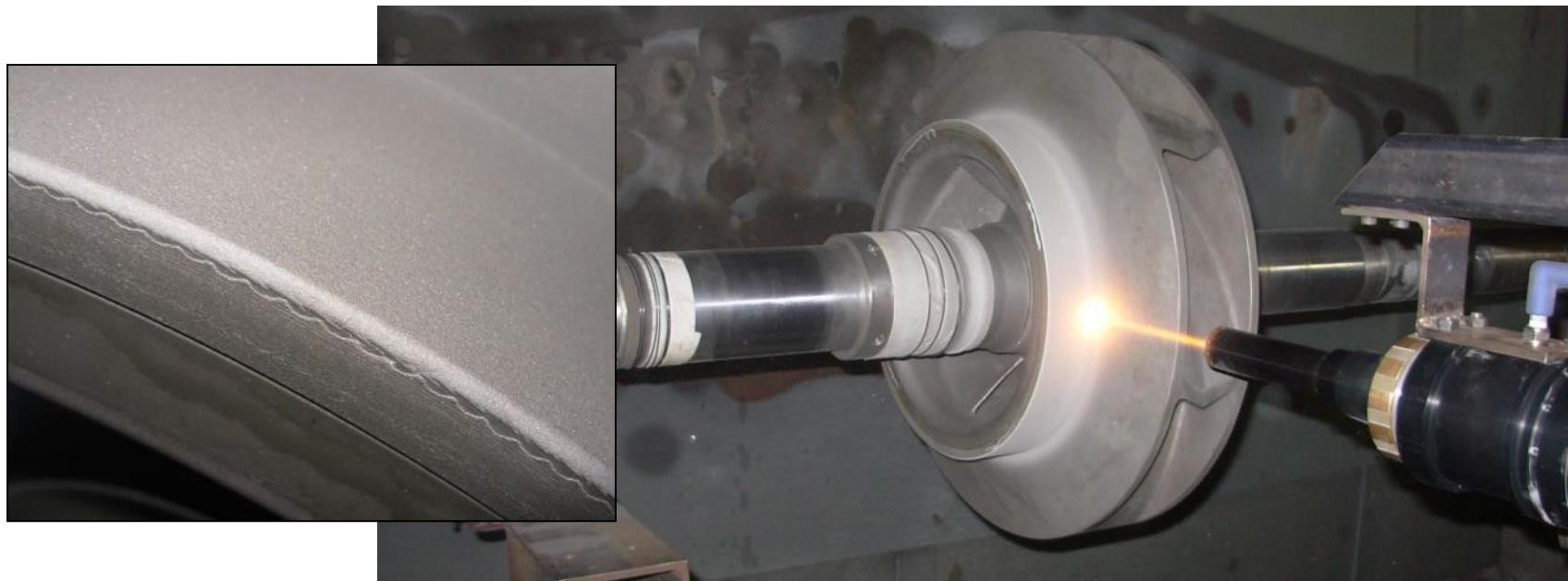
Fluid-End Pump Casing, 5-inch (125 mm) ID

Application of coating with AK-IDR rotating gun



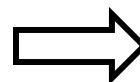
Wear rings on HT pump housings and impeller hubs

**AK7 Stellite 6 coating
over Stellite weld overlay**



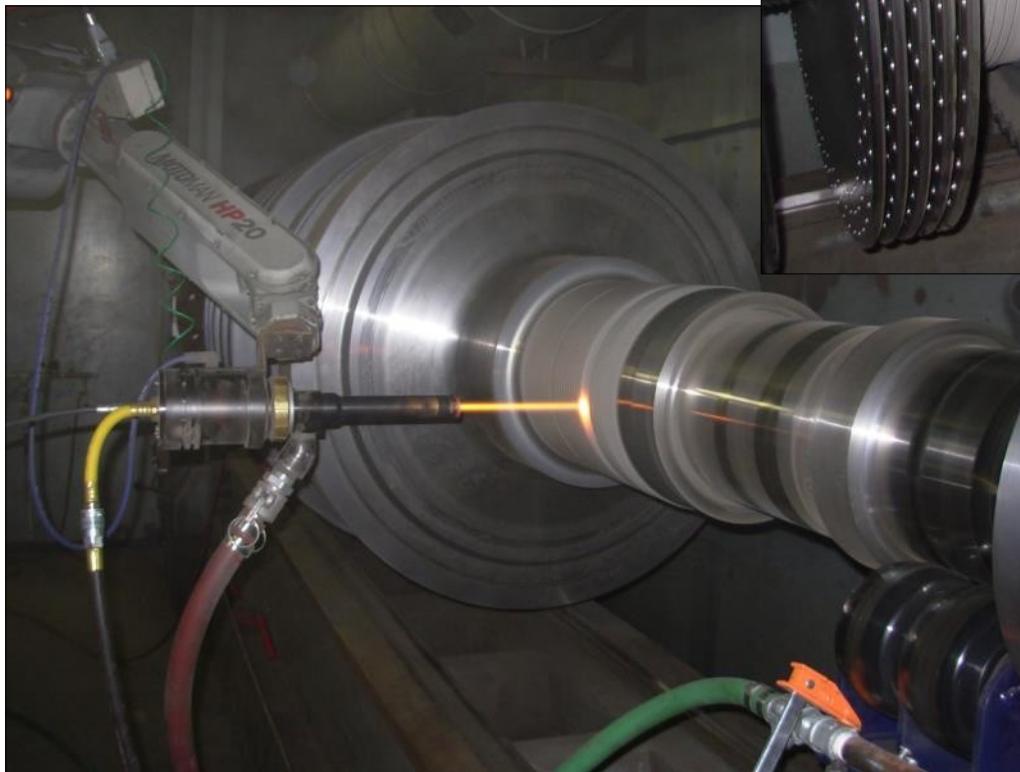
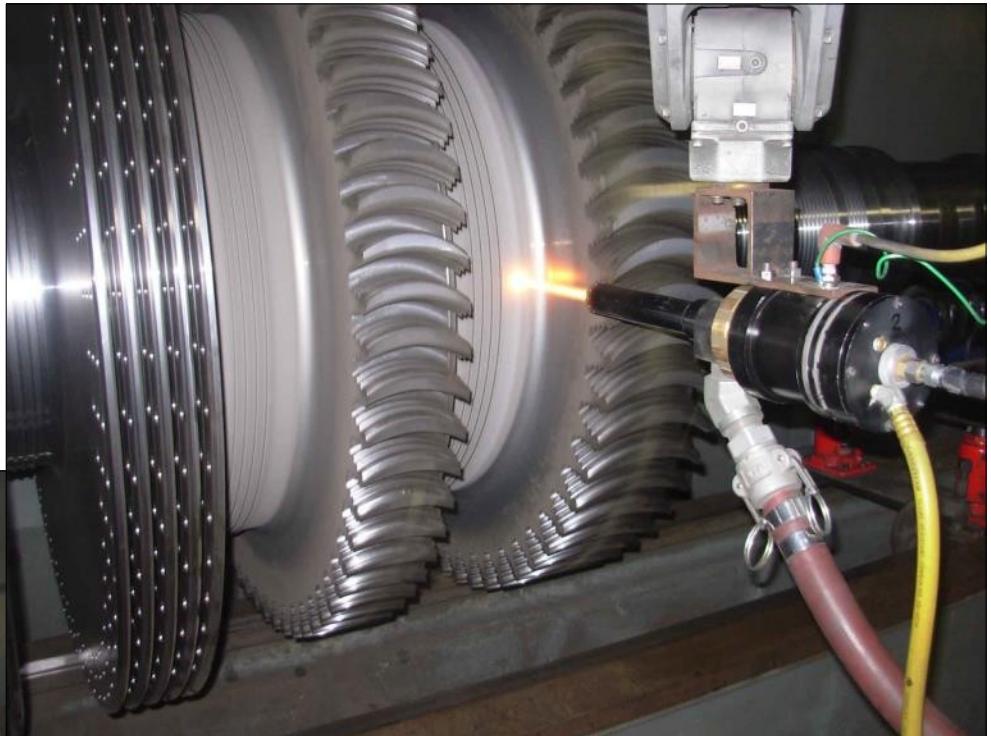
HT (400°C) Pump coating solutions:

Housing ring: Stellite 6
Impeller ring: Stellite 1



Housing ring: Stellite 6
Impeller ring: WCCoCr

Geothermal Power: Turbine Rotor WCCoCr 86/10/4



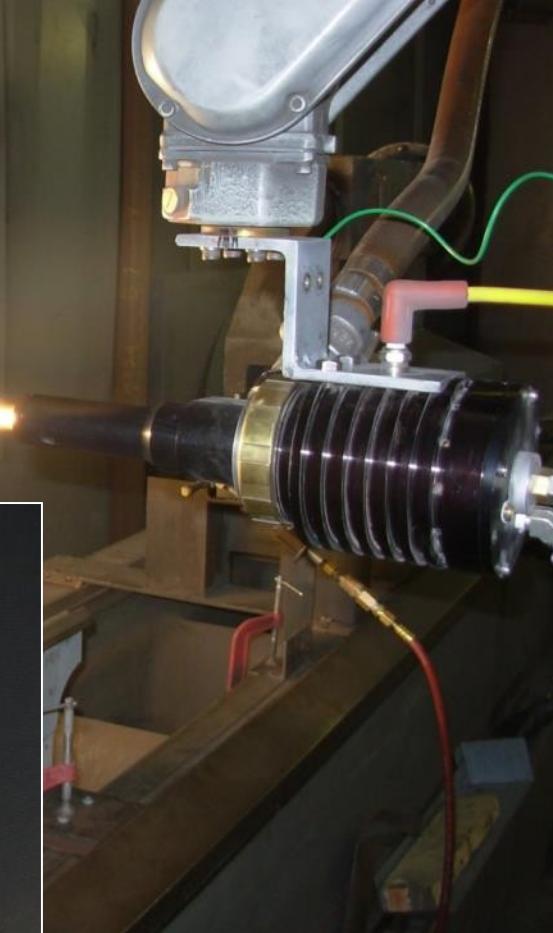
Ti- HVAF



Ti- shrouded HVAF



Titanium: HVAF

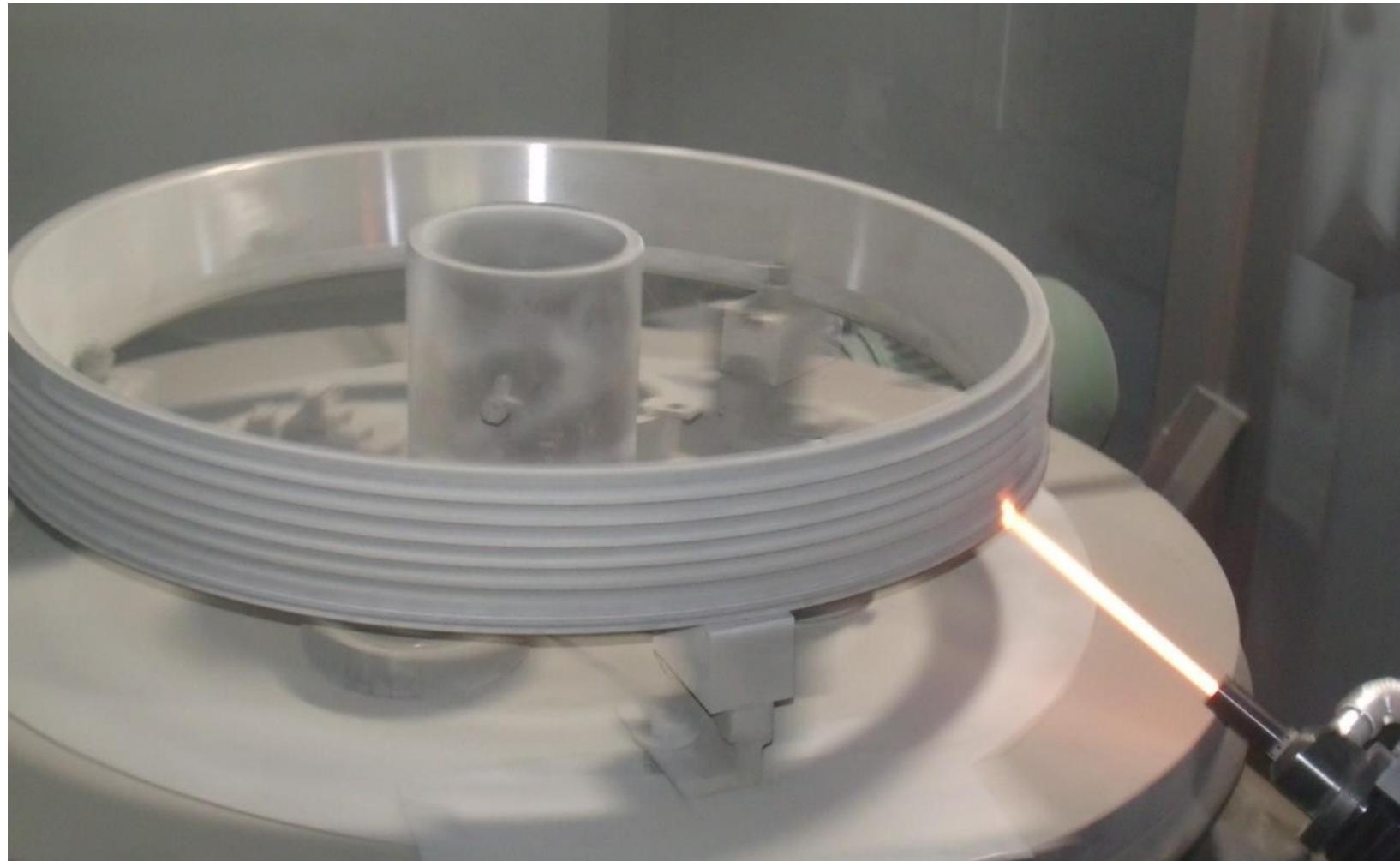


Titanium: Shrouded HVAF

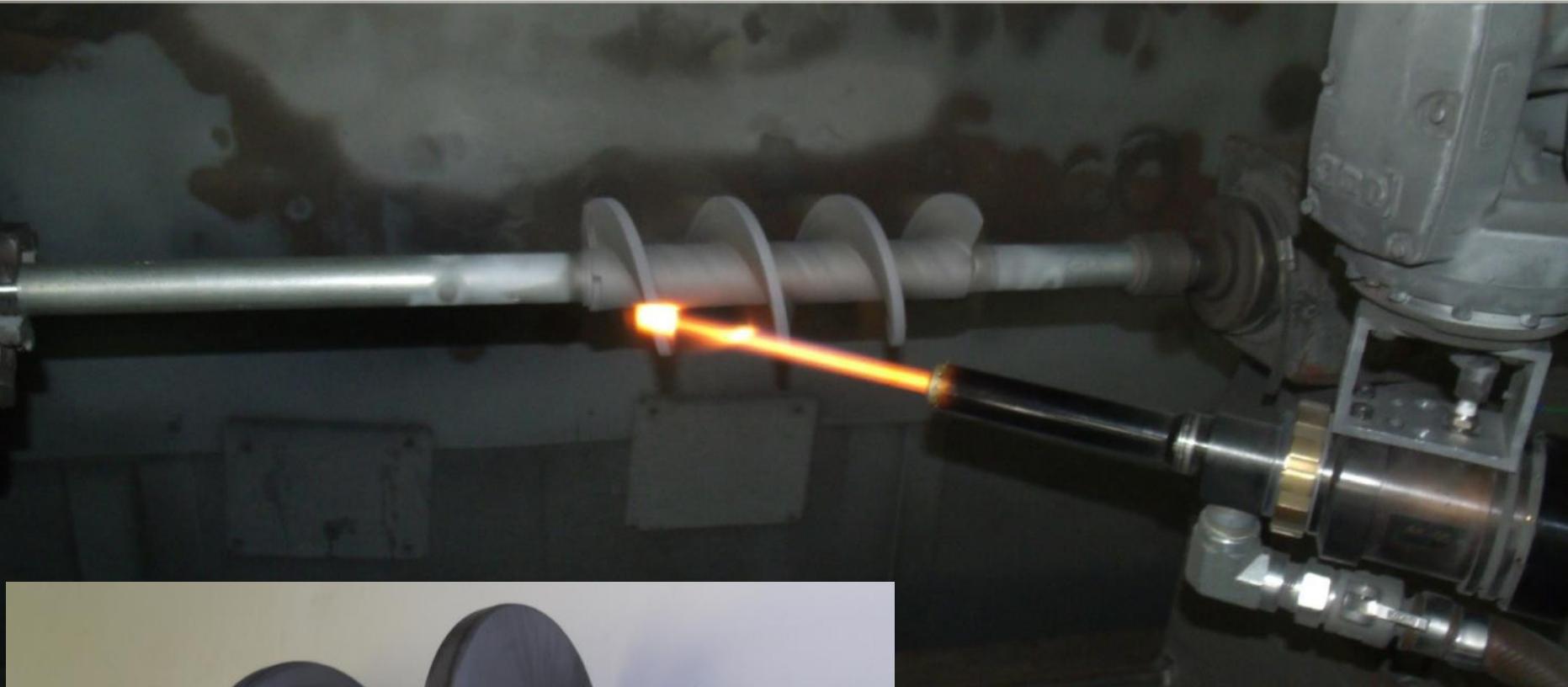


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Tin Spraying with SL HVAF gun for low-melting point metals

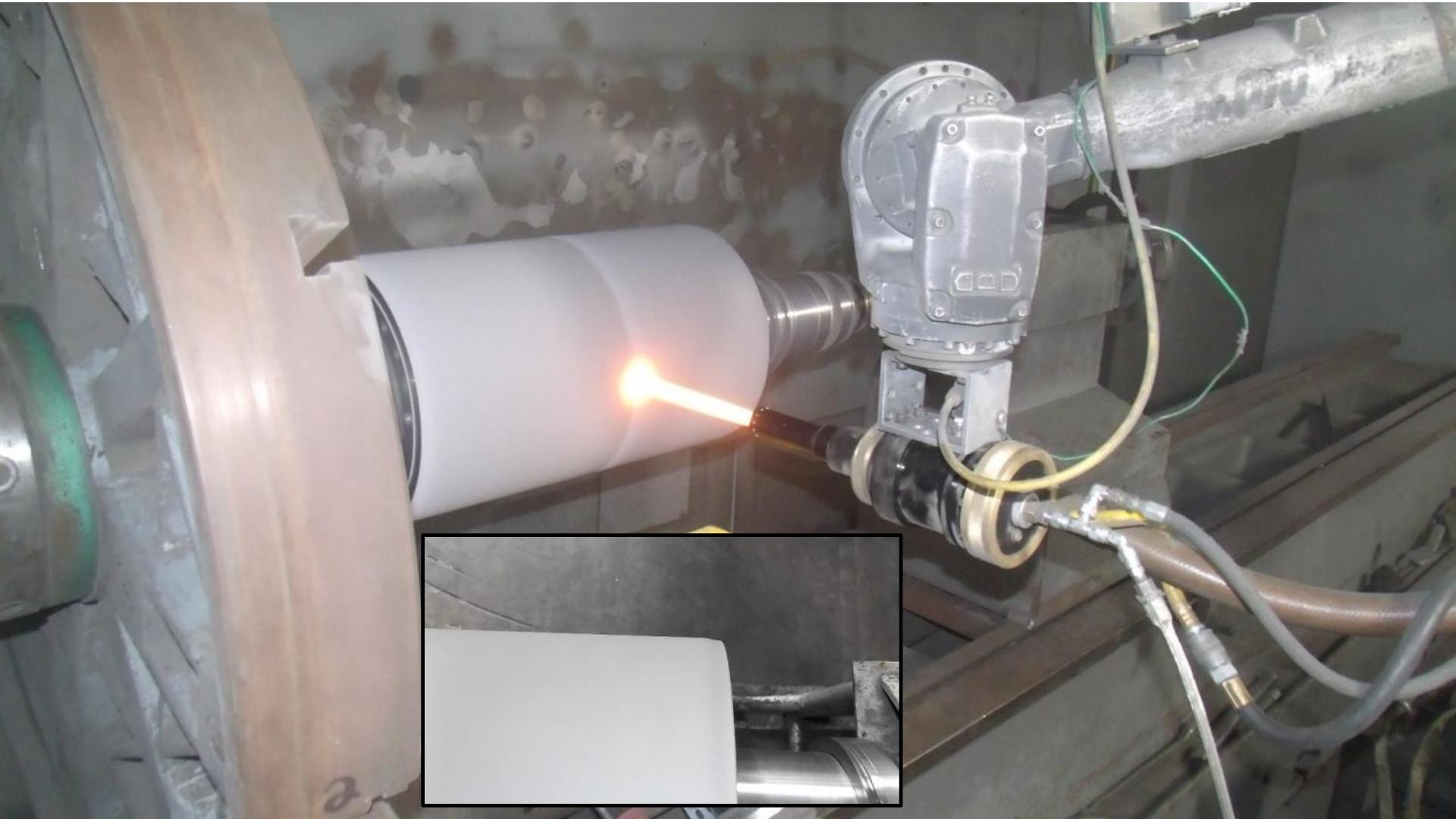


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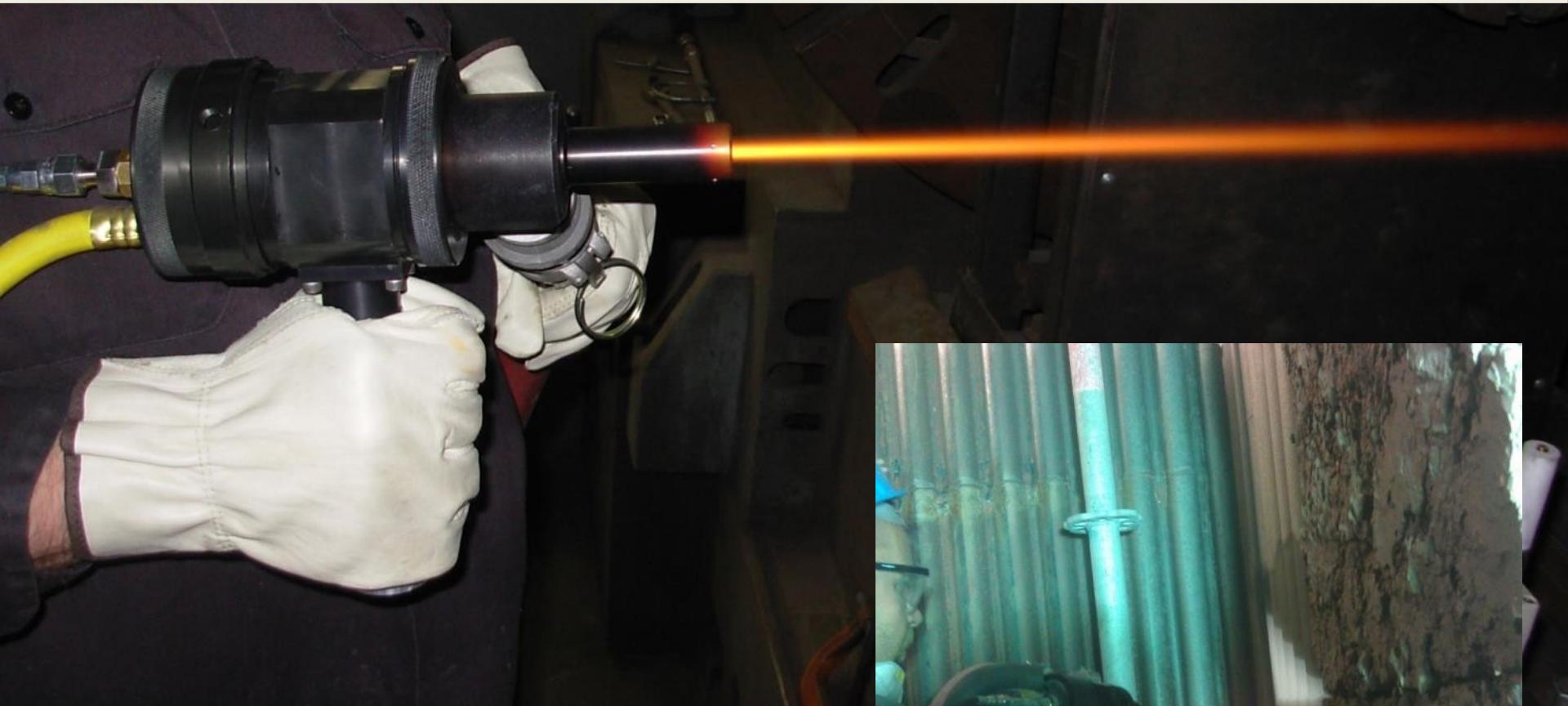


**WC-Co-Cr
1 mm thick**

Tensiometer Roll: AK7 HVAF, WC-10Co-4Cr, 1.8 mm thick



Kermetico HVAF Blast & Spray Systems



AK-HH: hand-held HVAF



Press pistons, Winemaking

