

# Sulfur recirculation and improved material selection for high temperature corrosion abatement – Investigating different aspects of corrosion memory (KME 714)



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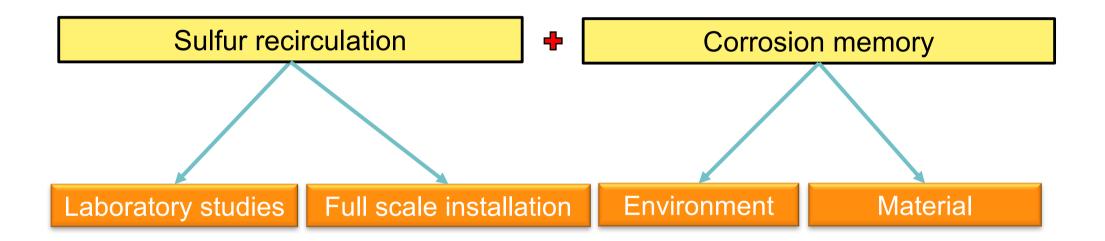


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- Research strategy and correlation to KME goals



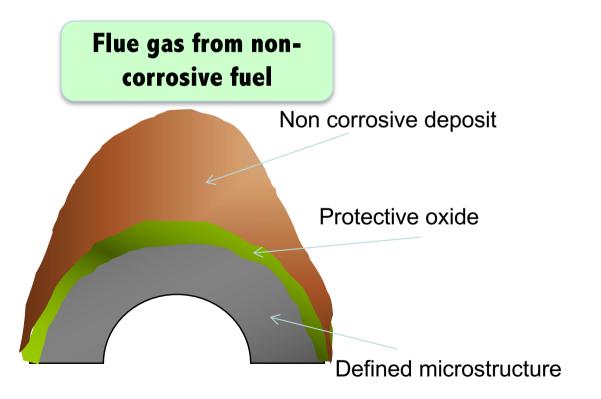
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### **Corrosion memory – definition**

Oxide scales, alloy microstructure and thick deposits from the past influencing future corrosion attack.

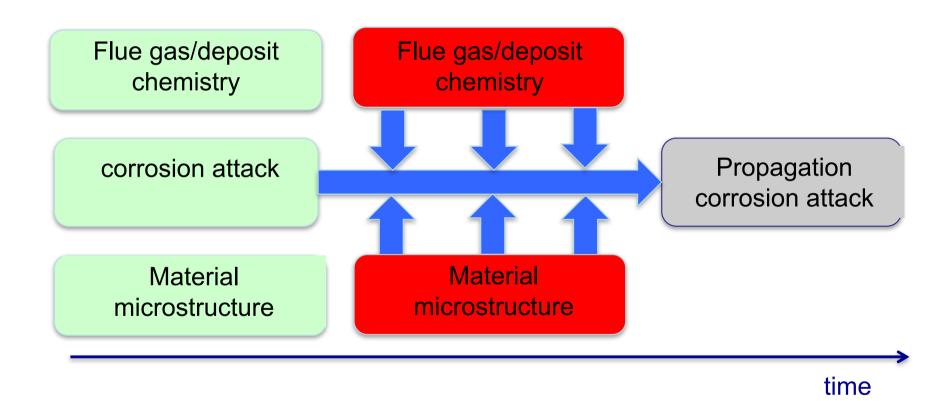


Flue gas from a corrosive fuel



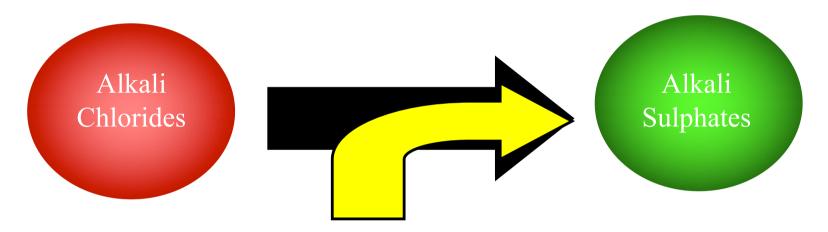


# What are the challenges in studying the propagation?



# A strategy for mitigating the alkali induced corrosion of high temperature steels

Change the fireside environment by means fuel additives

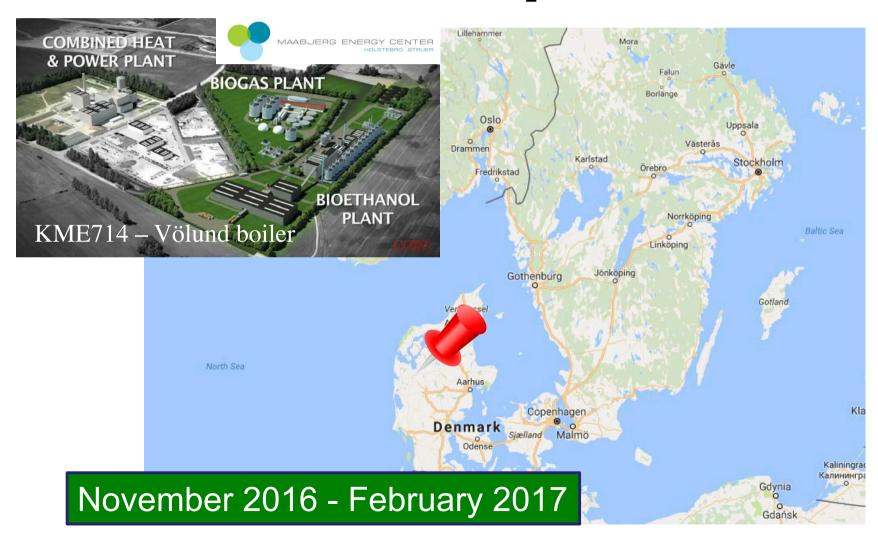


Adding sulfur or sulfur-rich fuels

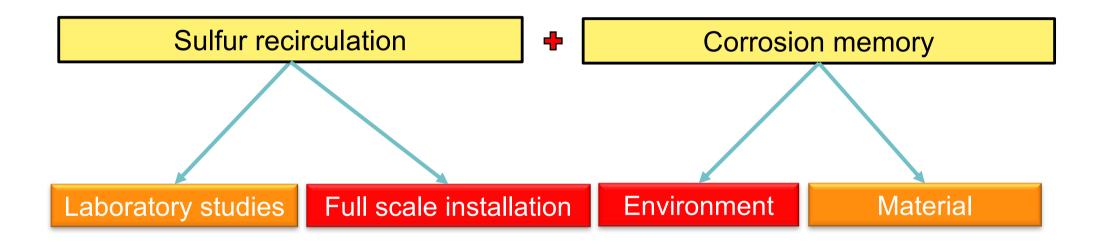
- Elemental sulfur
- Ammonium sulphate
- Sulfur recirculation
- Municipal sewage sludge



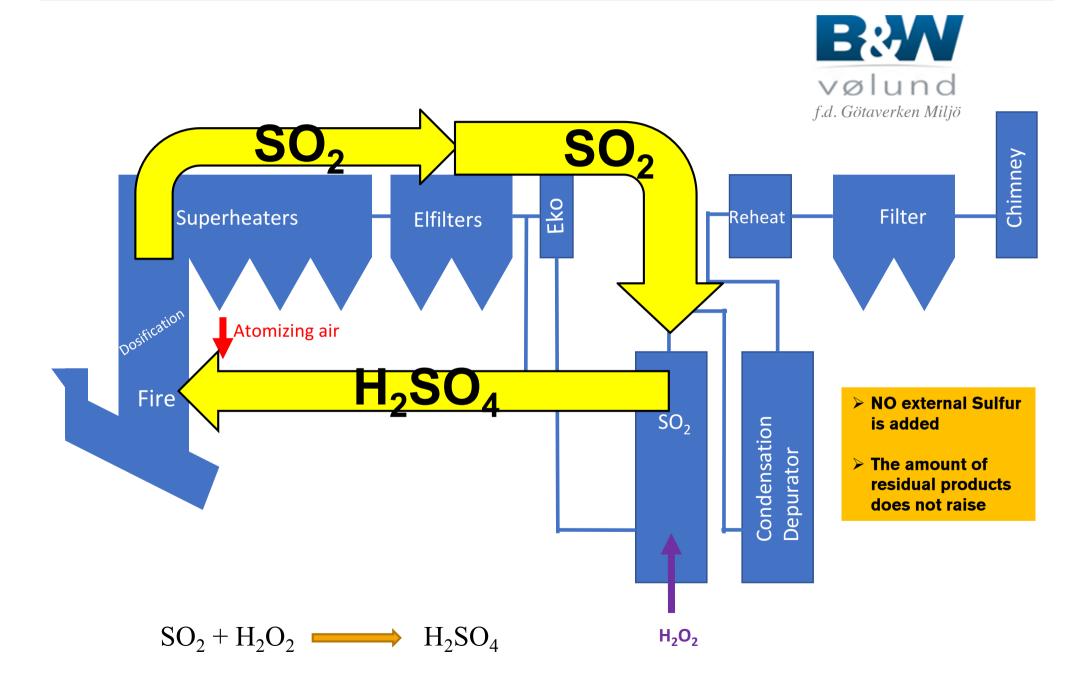
# Autumn-Winter 2016/17 Field exposures



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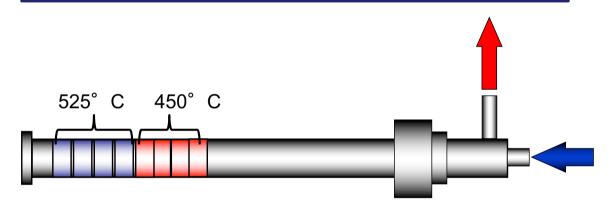


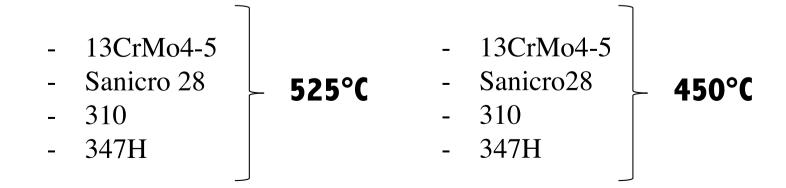




# **Experimental matrix Materials**

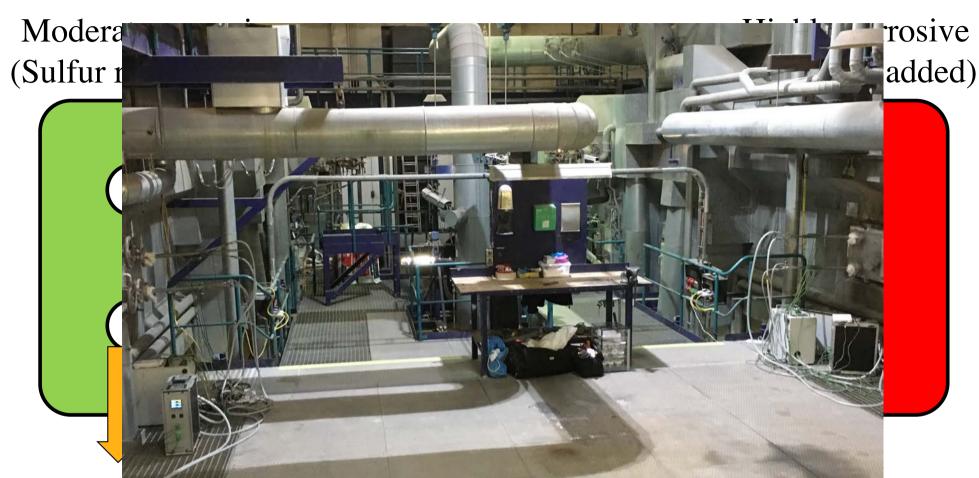
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Reference probe

Non corrosive deposit

Protective oxide

• TP347H (reference)

• 310

- Sanicro 28
- 13CrMo 4-5

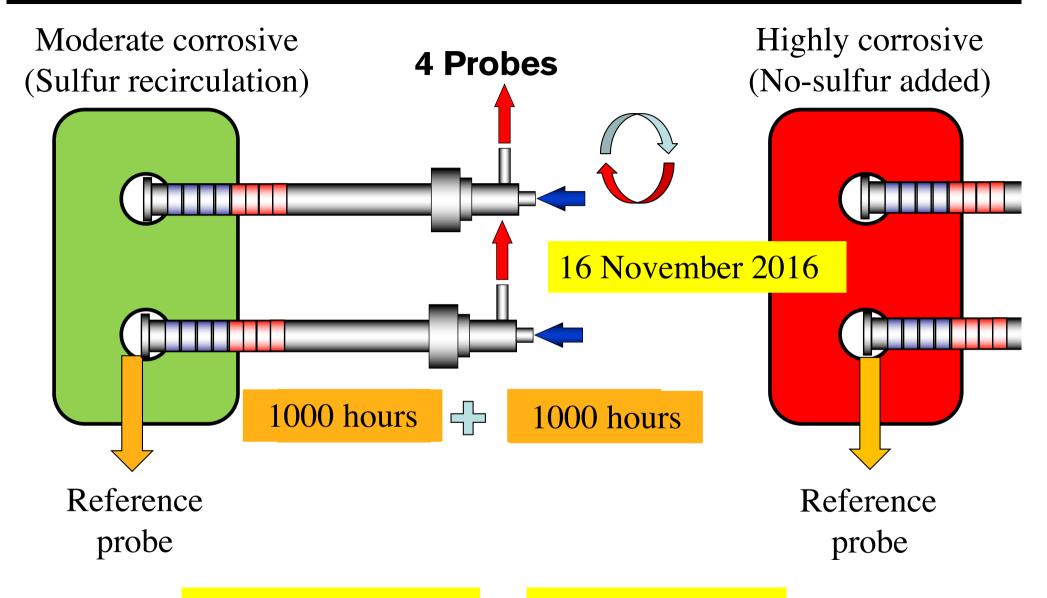
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### **Characterization**

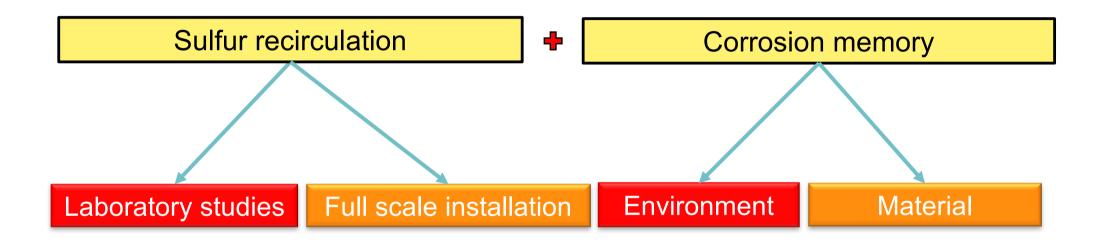
• Ion Chromatography (IC)

Ongoing

- Material loss
- SEM/EDX
- XRD



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### Research strategy

### **Fundamental research**

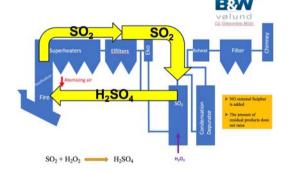
Reducing Alkali Chloride-Induced High Temperature Corrosion by Sulphur Containing Additives
A Combined Laboratory and Field Study
SOFIA KARLSSON

Department of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering CHALMERS UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY Gothenburg, Sweden 2015

Laboratory studies

Corrosion mechanisms

Fundamental understanding of the corrosion process in boilers



Effects of corrosion

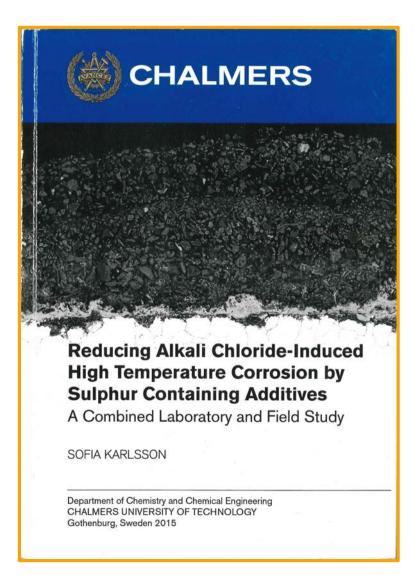
**Applied research** 

Field studies



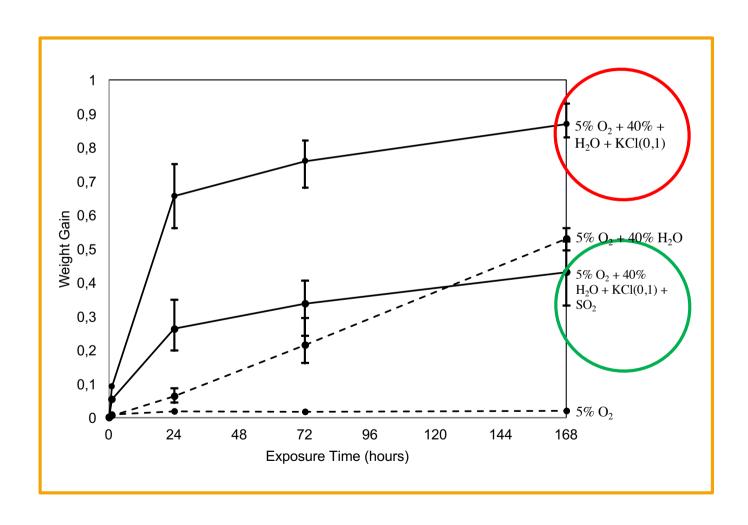


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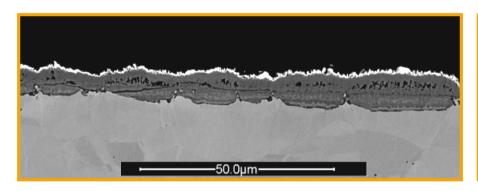


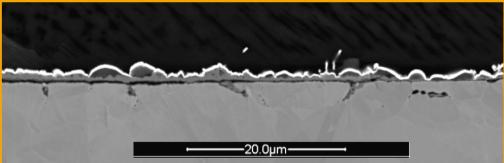
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Without SO<sub>2</sub>

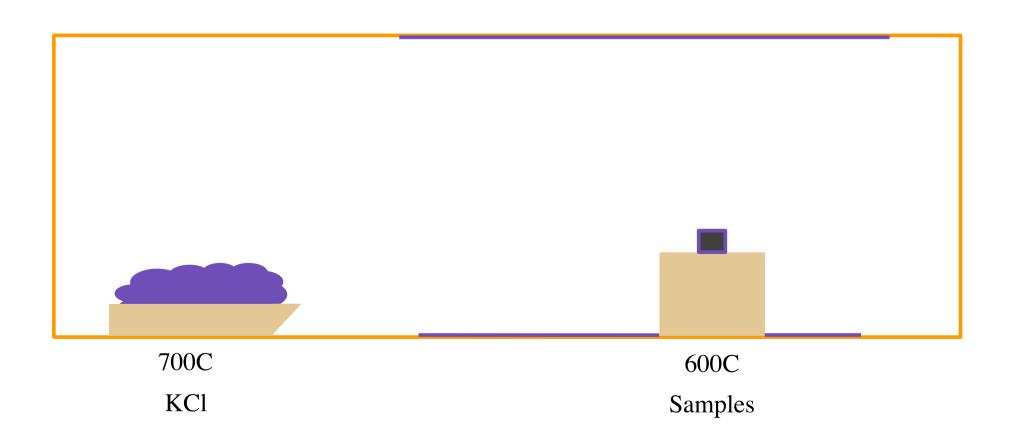
**Cross section BSE** 

With SO<sub>2</sub>



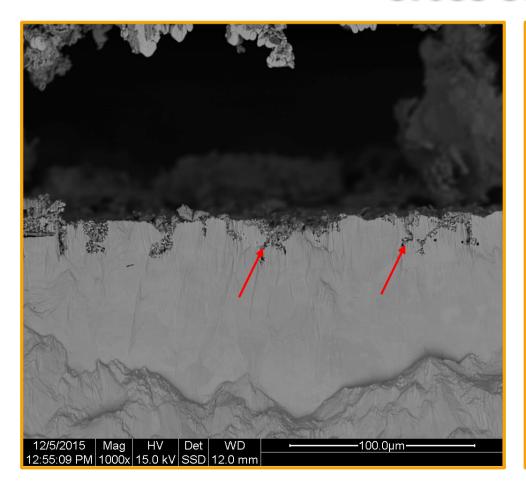


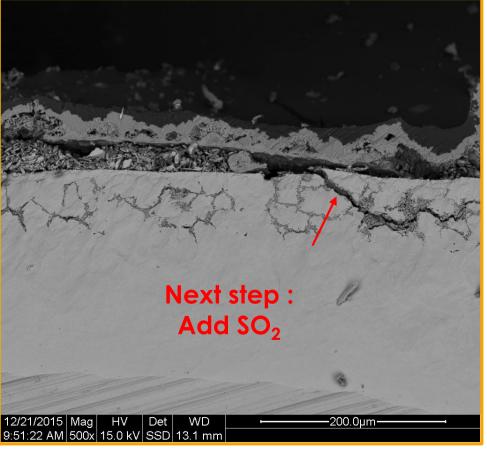




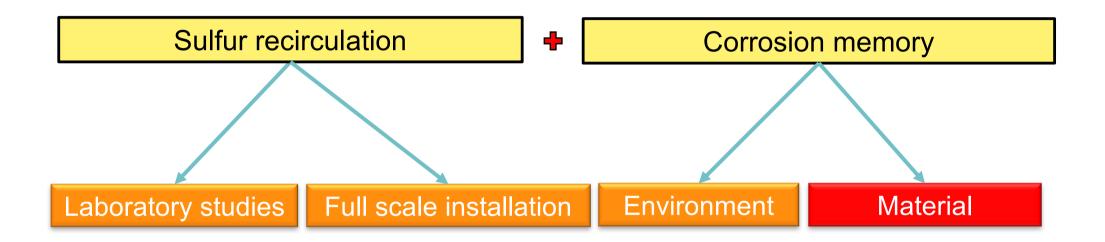
# Regions with large amounts of KCI

### **Cross-section**





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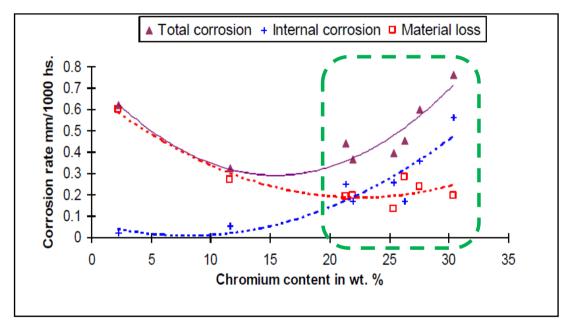
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### **Corrosion and steel microstructure**

**Controlled laboratory investigations (DTU), Investigation of field samples** (DTU/DONG)

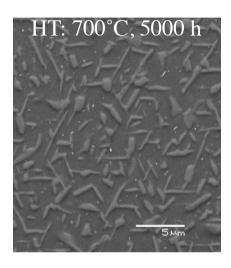
**Background:** Findings for corrosion rates of materials with different Cr-content

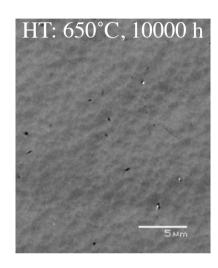


- High Cr content increases internal corrosion (blue line).
- Low Cr content gives high material loss (red line).
- Minimum in total corrosion lies at 15-18wt% Cr (purple line)

Is the increased internal corrosion only due to Cr-content or also the distribution of Cr? (at high Cr content extensive precipitation can occur)

## Controlled laboratory corrosion exposures of modified AISI310 (24 wt% Cr) steel in different heat treatment conditions



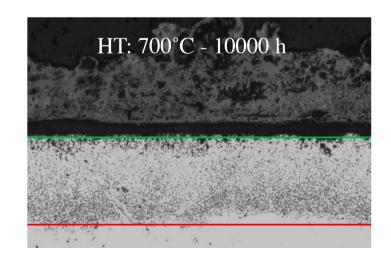


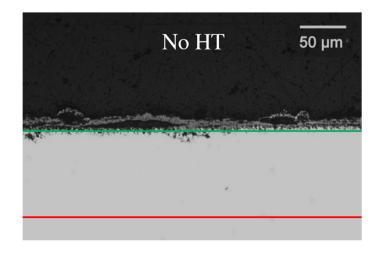
Heat treatment at 700°C leads to heavy σ-phase precipitation. At slightly lower temperature no precipitation occurs even after longer exposure times

Possibility to corrosion test the same material below 650°C with very different precipitate distribution

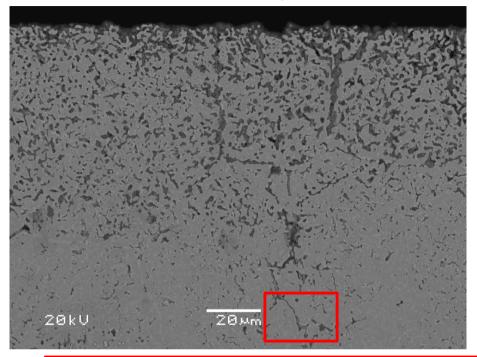
#### **Corrosion testing:**

Exposure: 15 % H<sub>2</sub>O, 5 % O<sub>2</sub> and balance N<sub>2</sub>, 600°C, 168h, KCl Deposit

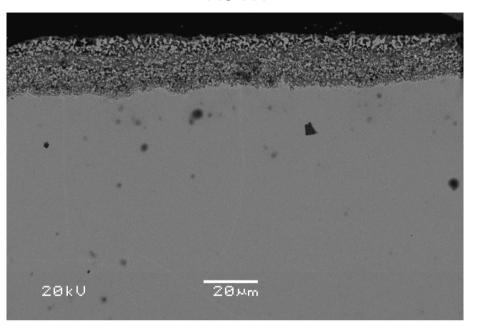


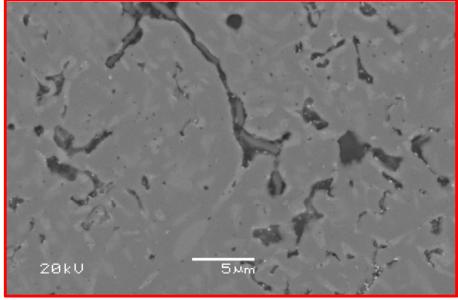


HT: 700°C - 10,000 h









### Clear influence of microstructure on corrosion attack

Heat treated material (Cr-rich  $\sigma$  phase) => Higher internal corrosion rate

#### **Next steps:**

In depth microstructural characterization

Laboratory exposure of TP347 in both aged and as received conditions

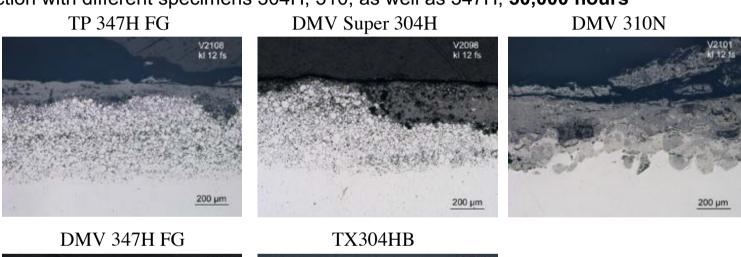
#### **Investigation of field samples**

#### Fynsværket, unit 8, SH4:

different specimens with different temperature profiles – TP347H vs .Tempaloy AA1. Inlet and outlet, **17,000 hours** 

#### **Amagerværket 1:**

Test section with different specimens 304H, 310, as well as 347H, 30,000 hours



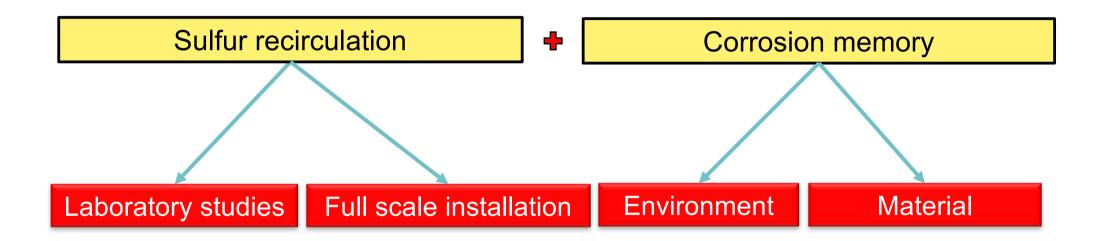




#### Work to be done:

- Comparison of microstructure for different steels and exposures in etched condition.
- Select specimens for more SEM analysis to understand corrosion attack.
- More advanced microscopy at areas at the corrosion front (FIB lift out and TEM).

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