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#### 1. Introduction

#### c. Identification and Significance of the Problem or Opportunity

Ceramic materials are gaining importance in the construction of high efficiency combustion engines. Their high temperature strength and corrosion resistance enable an engine to operate at higher temperatures, thereby improving fuel efficiency. The friction properties and wear resistance also must be satisfactory if ceramic moving components are to be successful. Unfortunately, typical friction coefficients in air for silicon nitride, silicon carbide, alumina, and zirconia are relatively high (1). Wear is often appreciable. This problem is compounded by a lack of suitable liquid lubricants that are effective at the temperatures present in new high efficiency engines. The development of a high temperature solid state lubrication system has the potential of overcoming current limitations with the friction and wear characteristics of ceramics, facilitating their use in more engine components.

One of the materials that has repeatedly been shown to be an effective solid state lubricant is graphite. Cast iron, for example, can show self-lubricating properties when it contains a sufficient quantity of graphite in its microstructure (2). Composites of graphite particulates and aluminum-silicon alloys have also shown admirable friction and wear properties (3). Metal-graphite composite materials are usually produced by casting. Often, particulate graphite is added to the melt.

However, an analogous technique cannot be used for most ceramics. Partially stabilized zirconia and silicon nitride, two materials often considered for high temperature engine applications, are usually prepared via powder routes. Any graphite added would likely react with the matrix material during sintering, decreasing its lubrication value and the strength of the composite.

A refractory carbide, such as titanium carbide, is viewed as an alternative. Titanium carbide is chemically inert, oxidation resistant to 1100°C, and has high hardness. Furthermore, it can be prepared from the melt. The formation of a graphite-titanium carbide composite is straightforward.



Figure 1 Titanium-Carbon Phase Diagram

Figure 1 shows the titanium-carbon phase diagram. Solidified melts with greater than 48.5 atomic percent of carbon are composite materials containing titanium carbide and graphite. By controlling the thermal environment during solidification, different orientations and sizes of the graphite precipitates can be produced.

Titanium carbide is a very refractory material with a melting temperature of 3067°C. However, pure titanium carbide undergoes a ductile to brittle transition at 800°C (4-6). For those applications that have operating temperatures in excess of 800°C, the loss in hardness and strength would be detrimental to titanium carbide's friction and wear properties. Two ways of increasing titanium carbide's high temperature hardness are the addition of small amounts of boron and the alloying of titanium carbide with vanadium carbide. Figure 2 shows the effect of boron on the critical resolved shear stress as a function of temperature of titanium carbide. Figure 3 shows the effect of vanadium carbide additions on compressive yield strength of titanium carbide as a function of temperature.



Figure 2 The Effect of Boron on the CRSS of Titanium Carbide (7)



Figure 3 The Effect of Vanadium Carbide on the Compressive Yield Strength of Titanium Carbide (8)

Titanium carbide is relatively oxidation resistant to 1100°C due to the formation of titanium oxides. These oxides have also been reported to act as a good solid state lubricant (9). A titanium carbidegraphite composite may therefore have good friction and wear properties in both oxidizing and a educing environments.

In summary, titanium carbide-graphite based composites are viewed as having potentially low friction coefficients and low wear rates over a wide range of temperature and atmosphere environments.

#### 2. Phase I Technical Objectives

The objective of this Phase I program was to produce titanium carbide-graphite composites and do a preliminary evaluation of their friction, wear, oxidation, and strength properties. Specific objectives were as follows:

- 1. The fabrication of titanium carbide-graphite composites.
- 2. The optical characterization of the microstructure of these composites.
- 3. The determination of friction coefficients and wear rates for these materials at 25 and 700°C.
- 4. The identification of the wear mechanism for titanium carbide-graphite composites.
- 5. An evaluation of the oxidation resistance of titanium carbide-graphite composites at 700°C.
- 6. The measurement of compressive strength of titanium carbide-graphite composites.

#### 3. Program Technical Results

Task 1: Production of titanium carbide-graphite composites.

Following, is a description of the procedures used for each of the four compositions.

*Pure TiC:* A conventional float zone geometry was used for this composition. Stoichiometric hot pressed rods of titanium carbide were consumed, from which fully dense ingots of titanium carbide solidified. Both the hot pressed rods and the ingots produced were 0.5 inches in diameter. The ingots were grown at a rate of 0.5 inches per hour. This speed could not be increased due to a thermal cracking problem that was only encountered with this composition. The slow growth rate resulted in the formation of large grains, easily seen without magnification.

*TiC/C:* A modified float zone method was used for the production of ingots of this material. Hot pressed rods of stoichiometric titanium carbide, 0.75 inches in diameter, were placed inside purified graphite tubes with inside diameters of 0.75 inches. The outside diameter of the graphite was machined down until the weight per inch of the graphite represented 11 percent of the weight per inch of the titanium carbide. The eutectic composition in this system is stoichiometric titanium carbide plus 10 weight percent carbon. Therefore, by controlling the temperature of the melt so that a thin shell of graphite remained unmelted, a eutectic melt was reproducibly created. Figure 4 shows this geometry,



Figure 4 Modified Float Zone Geometry

The TiC/C ingots were grown at a rate of 20 inches per hour. The diameter of the ingots were roughly 0.5 inches in diameter. Cracking did not appear to be a problem.

TiC/B/C: An identical procedure was used for the production of these samples as was used for the TiC/C samples. The one weight percent boron was added by coating the inside of the graphite tubes with boron powder in acetone.

TiC/VC/C: These ingots were produced using a variation of the method used for the previous two compositions. The 25 mcle percent vanadium carbide was supplied in the form of vanadium carbide powder placed around a hot pressed 0.5 inch diameter titanium carbide rod and inside a 0.75 inch inner diameter graphite tube. The geometry is shown in Figure 5.



Figure 5 TiC/VC/C Geometry

The eutectic composition in the 3TiC/1VC-carbon system contains roughly five weight percent carbon. It was not practical to machine down the graphite tubes to only five to six weight percent of the carbide. The graphite tubes would be too fragile. Therefore, tubes weighing ten weight percent of the carbide were used, resulting in a difficulty in preventing a composition slightly richer in carbon than the eutectic from forming.

When 0.5 inch diameter ingots of this composition were produced at a growth rate of 20 inches per hour, cracks were found in the ingots. The reason for this was probably the higher yield strength of titanium carbide/vanadium carbide alloys versus titanium carbide alone. Decreasing the diameter of the ingot to 0.32 inches in diameter solved the cracking problem.

#### Alternate Fabrication Methods

While the float zone techniques that are sing used in this Phase I program are effective at producing the desired microstructures for these composites, alternate methods may have economic advantages.

Fabrication methods in which the melt is contained in a crucible of the same composition as the melt represent another alternative. The crucible would be cooled to prevent it from melting. The melt could be created by induction or by radiation.

Task 2: Optical Characterization of Composite Microstructures

Optical and scanning electron micrographs were taken of each of the three composite compositions. These are shown in Figures 6 through 11.

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Figure 6 Optical micrograph of TiC/C (200X)



Figure 7 Optical micrograph of TiC/C/B (100X)



Figure 8 Optical micrograph of TiC/VC/C (100X)



Figure 9 Scanning Electron Micrograph of TiC/C



Figure 10 Scanning Electron Micrograph of TiC/C/B



Figure 11 Scanning Electron Micrograph of TiC/VC/C

As these micrographs show, the pure TiC/C had the smallest graphite precipitates. The TiC/C and TiC/VC/C compositions were fairly uniform throughout the ingots. The TiC/C/B had both fine and coarse precipitates. It is not clear why this was the case, since the growth rates were the same for all compositions.

Task 3: Friction and Wear Testing

Friction and wear testing was done at Southwest Research Institute under the direction of Dr. James Lankford. A complete description of this work is included as an Appendix at the end of this report.

Each of the four compositions were tested for friction and wear using a reciprocating 1/4" diameter pin drawn across a 2" long plate of hot pressed titanium carbide. Five newtons of force were used. The reciprocation rate was 3 cycles per second. The pin geometry is shown in Figure 12.



Figure 12 Friction Pin Geometry

The first set of tests performed were of 10,000 cycles in duration, and at temperatures of 22, 600, and 900°C. The raw data from these tests are shown in Figures 13-15. Some observations include:

- Pure titanium carbide exhibited the lowest friction coefficient at 22°C (as low as 0.12).
- The titanium carbide/graphite composite composition with 1% boron exhibited the lowest friction coefficient at 900°C (as low as 0.19).
- The titanium carbide/vanadium carbide/graphite sample mechanically failed during the 900°C test.

For all figures contained in this report, the following labels apply:

TPure titanium carbideTCTitanium carbide/graphiteTBCTitanium carbide/graphite/boronTVCTitanium carbide/vanadium carbide/graphite



Figure 14 Friction Coefficient Versus Time (600°C)



Figure 15 Friction Coefficient Versus Time (900°C)

Wear rates were calculated using the following formula: K=V/SW

where

W equals the normal load at the sliding contact

S equals the total distance slid

V equals the volume of material worn away

The data for these calculations can be found in the attached Southwest Research Institute report. Relatively low wear rates were exhibited by all of the samples at 23°C:

Titanium carbide	. 3 x :	10-6 n	$1m^{3/N-m}$
Titanium carbide/graphite	. 5 x <sup>·</sup>	10-6 m	nm <sup>3</sup> /N-m
Titanium carbide/vanadium carbide/graphite	. 1 x	10 <sup>-5</sup> n	$1m^{3/N-m}$
Titanium carbide/boron/graphite	<8 x 3	10-7 n	$1m^3/N-m$

High wear rates were exhibited by all compositions at 600 and 900°C. The lowest value was obtained with titanium carbide/vanadium carbide/graphite at 600°C. It had a wear rate of  $2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ mm}^3/\text{N-m}$ .

Originally, the plan was to repeat these tests for durations of 100 and 1000 cycles to better understand the wear mechanism, and how it may change with time. After looking at the initial data, it was determined that more could be learned by conducting tests where temperature was a variable. For example, a test in which the friction coefficient would be measured as the temperature was being raised from 25 to 800°C, then back down to 25°C. This would indicate friction coefficients over a range of temperatures, and indicate if the low temperature friction coefficients are affected by an 800°C heat treatment. For example, the friction coefficient at room temperature may be lowered by oxides that are formed during the high temperature portion of the test. On the other hand, the friction coefficient at room temperature may be increased if graphite is oxidized away during the high temperature portion of the test.

Figures 16-19 show how the friction coefficients varied as the samples were raised from room temperature to 800°C, then back to room temperature (the TiC-VC-C sample was only taken to 600°C). As these figures show, the friction coefficients are generally higher during cool down versus during heat up. This may be indicative of graphite oxidation. The pure titanium carbide sample, however, had a tendency towards lower friction coefficients during cool down, possibly due to titanium oxides being present. The fact that the titanium carbide's friction coefficient remained below 0.31 during cool down from 600°C was noteworthy.



Figure 16 Friction Coefficient Versus Cyclic Temperature for Titanium Carbide







Figure 19 Friction Coefficient Versus Cyclic Temperature for Titanium Carbide/Boron/Graphite

#### Task 4 SEM analysis of Friction and Wear Test Samples

A representative sample from each of the three temperatures at which 10,000 cycle tests were run was examined by SEM/EDS. Micrographs are included in the attached Southwest Research Institute Report.

The titanium carbide/boron/graphite pin and matching wear plate was examined after the 23°C, 10,000 cycle test. Wear on both the pin and the flat was negligible. Wear debris consisted of titanium and oxygen (boron could not be detected by EDS). This may be indicative of high local temperatures during the test.

The titanium carbide/vanadium carbide/graphite pin and matching wear plate exhibited moderate wear after the 600°C, 10,000 cycle test. The titanium carbide flat appeared to oxidize more than the pin.

Both the titanium carbide and titanium carbide/boron/graphite pins and wear plates were examined after the 900°C test. Significant wear of pins and flats occurred. The pure titanium carbide pin produced subsurface microfracture and cracks in the wear track on the flat. The pin containing boron and graphite had a smooth and glazed wear track

#### Task 5 Compressive Strength Testing

The values as reported by Southwest Research Institute are as follows. The second value in each table refers to the stress at failure as determined by acoustic emission.

Titanium carbide/graphite:

Spec. No.	σ <sub>μ</sub> (MPa)	σ <sub>AE</sub> (Mpa)
1	1642	1174
2	1821	1159
3	1916	1191

Titanium carbide/vanadium carbide/graphite:

Spec. No.	σ <sub>μ</sub> (MPa)	σ <sub>AE</sub> (Mpa)
1	1086	902
2	742	614
3	1309	860

Titanium carbide/boron/graphite:

Spec. No.	σ <sub>μ</sub> (MPa)	$\sigma_{AE}$ (Mpa)
1	822	610
2	897	700
3	1013	859

This data indicates an inverse relationship between precipitate size and compressive strength. Processing changes could improve compressive strength by decreasing precipitate size.

#### 3. Technical Feasibility

This program showed that titanium carbide based materials can give friction and wear behavior that is highly competitive with other ceramic materials now being considered for friction and wear applications (see Figure 20). This was shown in spite of the fact that only a few of many possible compositions were tried.



Figure 20 Friction Coefficients of various Materials in Contact with Themselves (10)

The approach of putting graphite precipitates into refractory carbide matrices did not lower friction and wear under the conditions tested. However, changing the load, the sliding speed of the friction couple, the material of the wear flat, or the atmosphere under which the test is conducted could greatly affect the results. Under the test conditions of this program it appears that the grain refinement caused by the presence of graphite precipitates may have increased the friction coefficients at low temperatures. Grain boundary areas have higher surface energy which can translate into higher friction behavior (see Figure 21). Therefore, it is quite conceivable that fine grained pure titanium carbide would have friction and wear behavior that would be inferior to any of the compositions tested in this Phase I program.

Another composition that can easily be prepared from a melt and which could possibly provide a lower friction coefficient under this Phase I program's conditions would be a titanium carbide/titanium diboride composite. Titanium diboride semicoherent precipitates can be formed in single crystal titanium carbide. The benefits of boron oxide high temperature lubrication could be obtained without significantly increasing the material's surface energy.

Compositions that include nitrogen may have titanium nitride or boron nitride phases, both of which could have a favorable impact on the friction and wear behavior of the composite. Titanium carbide/titanium nitride solid solutions can be formed.

The compressive strength of the titanium carbide composites tested was not exceptional, but was certainly adequate for most applications. Grain and precipitate size optimization could greatly affect the numbers obtained.

The oxidation resistance of titanium carbide appeared to be sufficient during the Phase I tests. The addition of more boron could further improve oxidation resistance.



Figure 21 The Friction Coefficient of Single Crystal Copper Sliding Against Polycrystalline Copper (10)

In summary, titanium carbide based materials offer a great deal of flexibility in terms of possible composite compositions, all of which can be prepared from a melt. Further development in this area would entail selecting a specific application and performing friction and wear tests to optimize behavior under those load, atmosphere, and sliding speed conditions.

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Dear Del:

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This letter constitutes our formal final report on the above referenced project. Work performed included friction and wear testing of several TiC-based ceramic composites, as well as compression testing of three of the materials. The bulk of the results, in graphical and tabular form, are included in a series of Appendices, with the body of the report devoted to a description of the test procedures, followed by a summary and critical discussion of the results.

#### **Experimental Procedures**

Materials for testing were provided by the sponsor in the form of pins and flats for reciprocating pin-or-disk testing, and cylindrical specimens for compression testing. Flats were composed of hot-pressed TiC carbide (T), while pins consisted of TiC; TiC/graphite (TC); TiC/VC/graphite (TVC); and TiC/B/graphite (TBC). Compression specimens were composed of TC, TVC, or TBC.

Baseline friction and wear tests were performed at a frequency of 3 Hz, using a load on the pin of 5N, and at temperatures of 23, 600, or 900°C for 10,000 cycles. Severe microcracking problems were encountered with TVC at 900°C, but successful elevated temperature runs were accomplished at 600°C. In addition to these tests, a series of experiments were performed in which temperature was ramped up in 200°C increments, with the friction coefficient established over 30 minutes at 23, 200, 400, 600, and 800°C, followed by a reversal of the sequence back to room temperature.

During the experimental runs, the friction coefficient ( $\mu$ ) was monitored continuously. Data suitable for computing wear rates was generated by profilometry of baseline wear tracks at the end of the test period. Thus, representative wear in the flat can be computed in terms of the profilometry-derived wear cross-section, the length of the wear track (12 cm), and the density of the TiC.

After testing, selected pins and flats were characterized by scanning electron microscopy (SEM) and energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS). It should be noted that due to its low atomic number, B cannot be detected by means of EDS.



SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS HOUSTON. TEXAS • DETROIT. MICHIGAN • WASHINGTON, DC All compression tests were performed under ambient conditions at a strain rate of  $3.3 \times 10^{5}$ s<sup>-1</sup>. High strength alumina platens were used to transfer the load from the ram to the samples. Acoustic emission was used to monitor the onset of microfracture leading to eventual failure.

#### Discussion of Results

The effect of temperature (T) on the friction coefficient ( $\mu$ ) of each material is summarized in Figures 1 - 3 for T = 23, 600, and 900°C, respectively. From ambient conditions to 600°C, the lowest values of  $\mu$  (0.15 - 0.21) are obtained for case T, i.e., TiC pin on TiC flat. However, at 900°C (Figure 3), TBC is superior, with an average friction coefficient of about 0.2.

The relative reversibility of  $\mu$  during heating and cooling is shown for each pin material in Figures 4 - 7. The results indicate that  $\mu(T)$  is essentially reversible for each material.

Wear behavior on flats (see profilometry within Appendices) with a few exceptions, supported the friction results. In particular, at 23°C, very low wear was observed for T, in agreement with its low  $\mu$  value. However, TBC exhibited basically no wear at 23°C, and wear of TC was barely visible.

At 600°C, flat wear was heavy for all couples, with the exception of TVC. Rather surprisingly, this material (at this temperature) had the highest friction coefficient (Figure 2).

Finally, at 900°C the best (flat) wear resistance was obtained using T pins. The TVC material virtually disintegrated at this temperature.

SEM/EDS work (Appendices) performed on some of the pins and flats provides some insight as to operative wear mechanisms. Elevated temperature response was emphasized, although a representative ambient case was characterized.

In the latter instance, TBC was considered. It was found that the wear spot on the pin was exceptionally small, commensurate with the essentially unmeasurable wear measured on the flat. Areas with and without the spot, including debris from the pin, were determined by EDS to consist of Ti and O; as noted earlier, the EDS system will not detect B. The presence of considerable oxygen outside, but near the wear spot, suggests the generation of high local temperatures.

At 600°C, TVC pins had a surprisingly large wear spot and associated volume of debris, considering the relatively moderate flat wear. Cracking, possibly of oxide layers, was observed within the wear spot on the pin; no such cracking was observed on the wear track of the mating flat. Spectroscopy indicated V depletion within the wear spot itself, but V was adjacent to the spot and with the associated debris. Titanium and either O or V were found on the wear spot and in the debris, but no oxygen was detected on the pin away from the spot. This suggests that the O/V uncertainty probably involved V, and that O was not present. In the case of the mating flat, some Ti and O was observed in the debris; it thus appears that the flat oxidized, and that the pin may not have done so.

At 900°C, the T pins exhibited both wear, wear debris, and cracking. The same was observed for the mating flats; in all instances (within and without wear spot and wear tracks) the material consisted of oxidized Ti. The path of the cracks, oriented normal to the diversion of pin motion, was unaffected by the presence of oxide particles. The material in the (flat) wear track seems to fail by subsurface microfracture with subsequent delamination of oxide particles.

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Also at 900°C, TBC exhibited pin and flat wear with associated debris; everywhere the apparent chemistry was oxidized titanium (B probably was present in pin debris). No cracking in either pin or flat was observed, and the oxide layers on the flats were smooth and glazed in appearance. They apparently fail by subsurface delamination, accounting for the measured wear.

#### <u>Summarv</u>

A number of interesting data have been obtained, but results are not conclusive in favor of the composite approach which was implemented. In the future, it would be helpful to fabricate the flats in the composite form, rather than the pins, to facilitate lubrication via oxide transfer from substrate to pin, rather than vice versa.

The graphite component apparently provided little lubrication per se, probably because the graphite particles were not preferentially oriented for sliding parallel to the pin motion. On the other hand, the apparent lack of oxidation of the TVC material was puzzling, and may deserve further study—wear of TVC at 600°C was <u>extremely</u> low, despite its friction coefficient of  $\sim 0.4$ .

I hope you find this report informative and helpful in your efforts to obtain Phase II support. I have appreciated this opportunity to support your materials development program, and look forward to further collaboration. Please call me should you have any questions.

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Figure 4. Friction coefficient versus cyclic temperature, T.

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Figure 7. Friction coefficient versus cyclic temperature, TBC.

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## PIN MATERIAL T 23°C

Asperity Height (µm)



# MATERIAL T 600°C

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Asperity Height (µm)

# PIN MATERIAL T 900°C

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Distance (mm)





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Wear spot on pin.

20X

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Wear spot on pin.



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Inside wear spot.

Wear spot cracking.



52074 5000X Absence of crack deflection by TiC particles, wear spot.



Wear track on flat.

52083

30X



52085

Wear track on flat.

100X



Wear track damage (flat).



Wear track cracking (flat).



Wear track and debris (flat).

8000X

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## PIN MATERIAL TC 23°C





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1	1642	1174
2	1821	1159
3	1916	1191

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Distance (mm)

#### PIN MATERIAL TC 900°C

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Distance (mm)

# PIN MATERIAL TVC 23°C





Distance (mm)

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Spec. No.	σ <sub>µ</sub> (MPa)	σ <sub>AE</sub> (Mpa)
1	1086	902
2	742	614
3	1309	860

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# PIN MATERIAL TVC 600°C

Asperity Height (µm)



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Wear spot on pin.

Wear spot on pin.

52091

100X



52092 1000X Oxide cracking within wear spot (pin).



Interface between wear spot (pin and debris.



Outside wear spot (pin).



Outside wear spot (pin).

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52096

Wear track on flat.



Wear track on flat.

100X



Inside wear track.

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600X



Inside wear track.

1000X



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# PIN MATERIAL TBC 23°C

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Spec. No.	$\sigma_{\mu}$ (MPa)	σ <sub>AE</sub> (Mpa)
1	822	610
2	897	700
3	1013	859

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Wear spot on pin.



51890 75X Backscattered electron image of wear spot on pin, showing oxide debris (dark regions); graphite (fine scale particles); and TiC matrix (light).





Wear spot and debris.



51893 400X Backscattered electron image of wear spot and debris.





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## PIN MATERIAL TBC 600°C



Asperity Height (µm)

Distance (mm)

### PIN MATERIAL TBC 900°C




Middle of wear track.



Debris inside wear track.



Wear track.

8000X

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Wear spot on pin.



51898 20X Backscatter electron image of wear spot on pin.



Interface between wear spot and debris.





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Series II Southwest Research Institute THU 03-OCT-91 14:23 Cursor: 0.000keV = 0



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Series II Southwest Research Institute THU 03-0CT-91 15:00 Cursor: 0 000keV = 0

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Series II Southwest Research Institute THU 03-0CT-91 15:10 Cursor: 0.000keV = 0



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