



# THERMAL BOUNDARY RESISTANCE for SRF cavities

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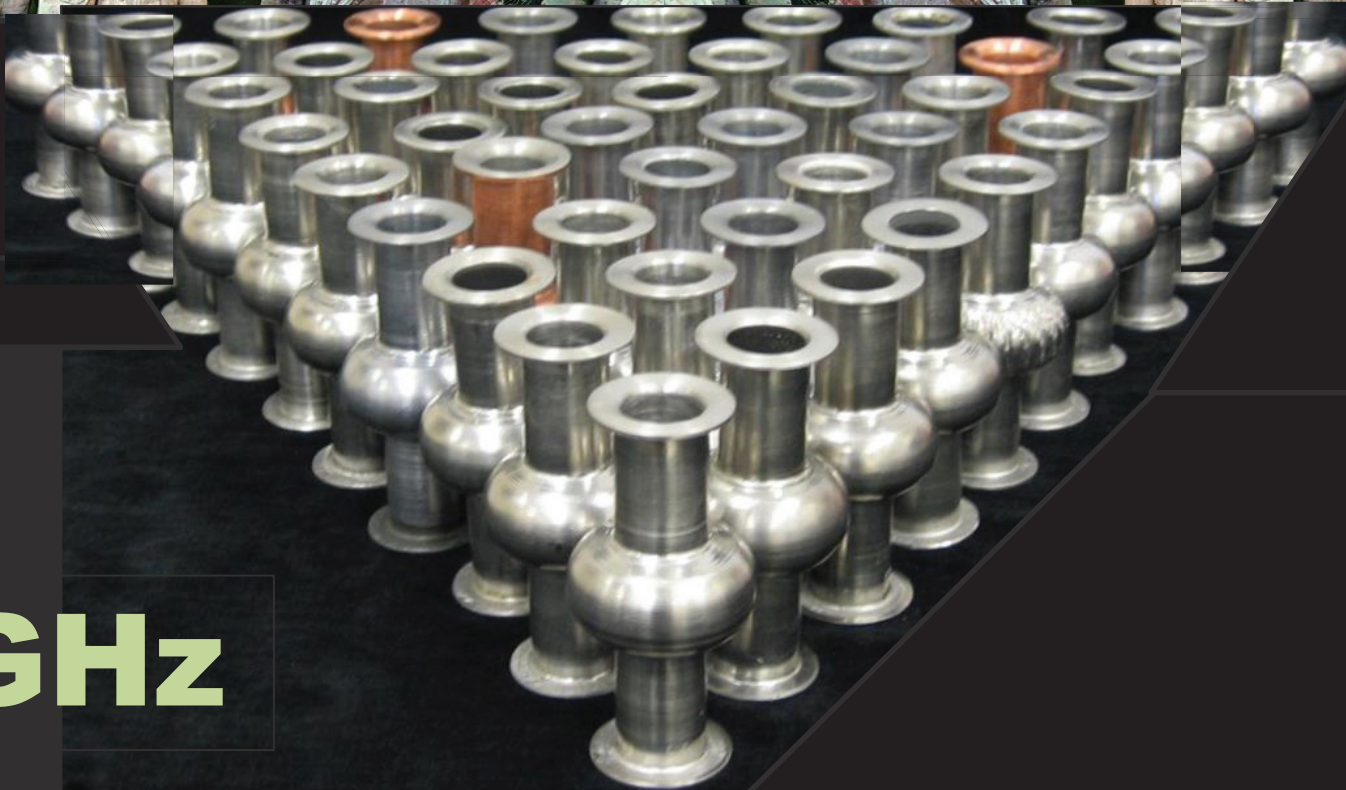
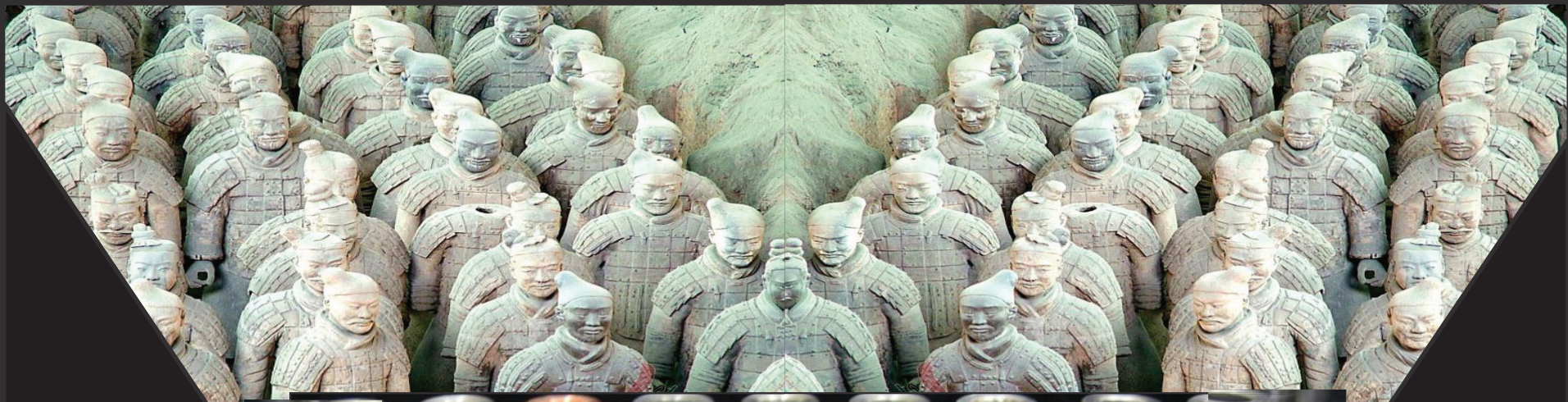
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**My Talk consists in**  
**20 questions to the**  
**Audience**

**For the work I am presenting**

**2 main ingredients needed**



**6 GHz**

**In a small, but active, Research Group**

**6 GHz Cavities**

**The Ideal Tool For Self-motivation:**

# Common sentences you can daily hear in the lab:

- «Bye, I go to spin some other **60 cavities!**»
- «This week we have **tested 12 cavities**»
- We **just did** the EP, I go **now** to anneal the cavity, **tonight** we do the rf test
- Is Cavity **#148** or cavity **#134** that has the highest field?

# Second Ingredient: a Great Team



# Question 1:

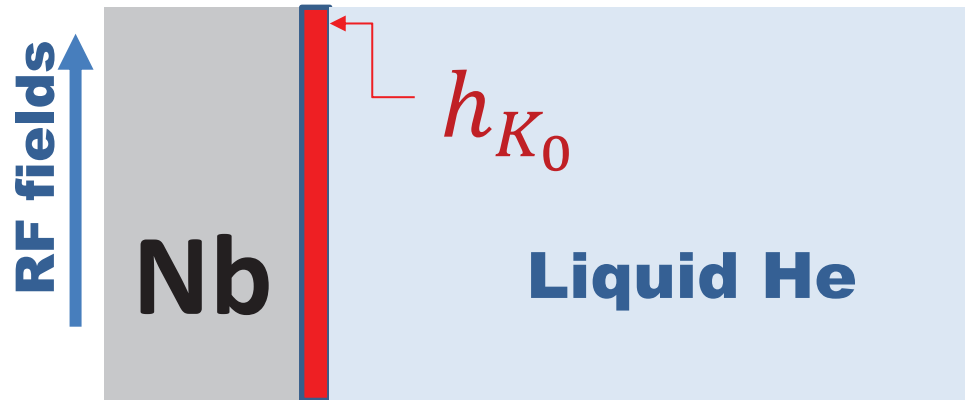
**Suppose to have an ideal cavity**

(a perfectly homogeneous monocrystal, no trapped flux,)

$$\ll \mathbf{R}_{\text{RES}} = 0 \text{ ?} \gg$$

(or will you have still a contribution due to a bad thermal exchange with the Helium bath?)

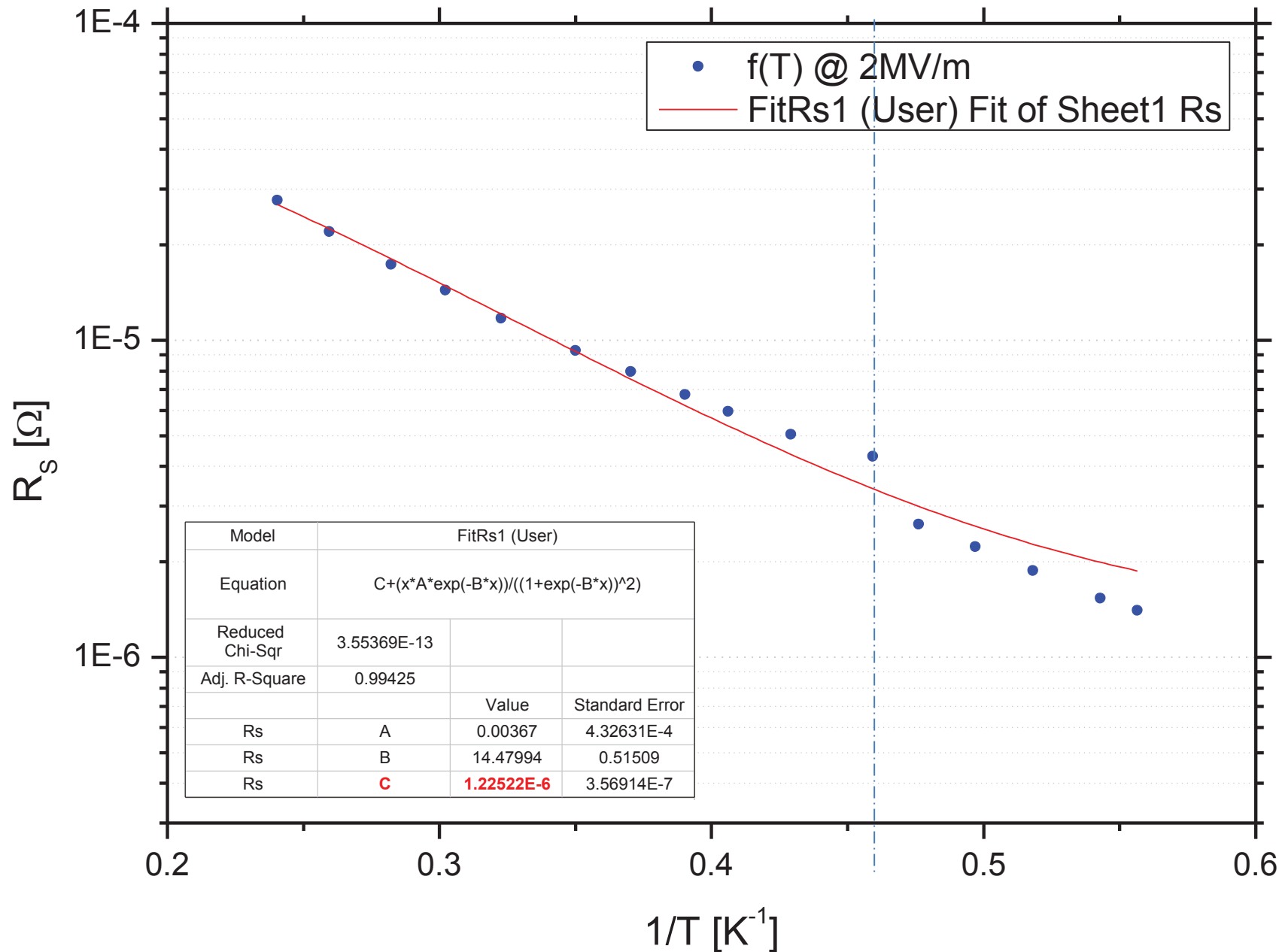
# Kapitza conductance



$$h_{K_0} = \lim_{\Delta T_S \rightarrow 0} \frac{q}{\Delta T_S}$$

**This quantity has a strong  $T^n$  temperature dependence with n varying between 2 and 4**

# $R_s$ Nb 122 After ATM Annealing



# EFFECT OF LOW TEMPERATURE BAKING ON NIOBIUM CAVITIES \*

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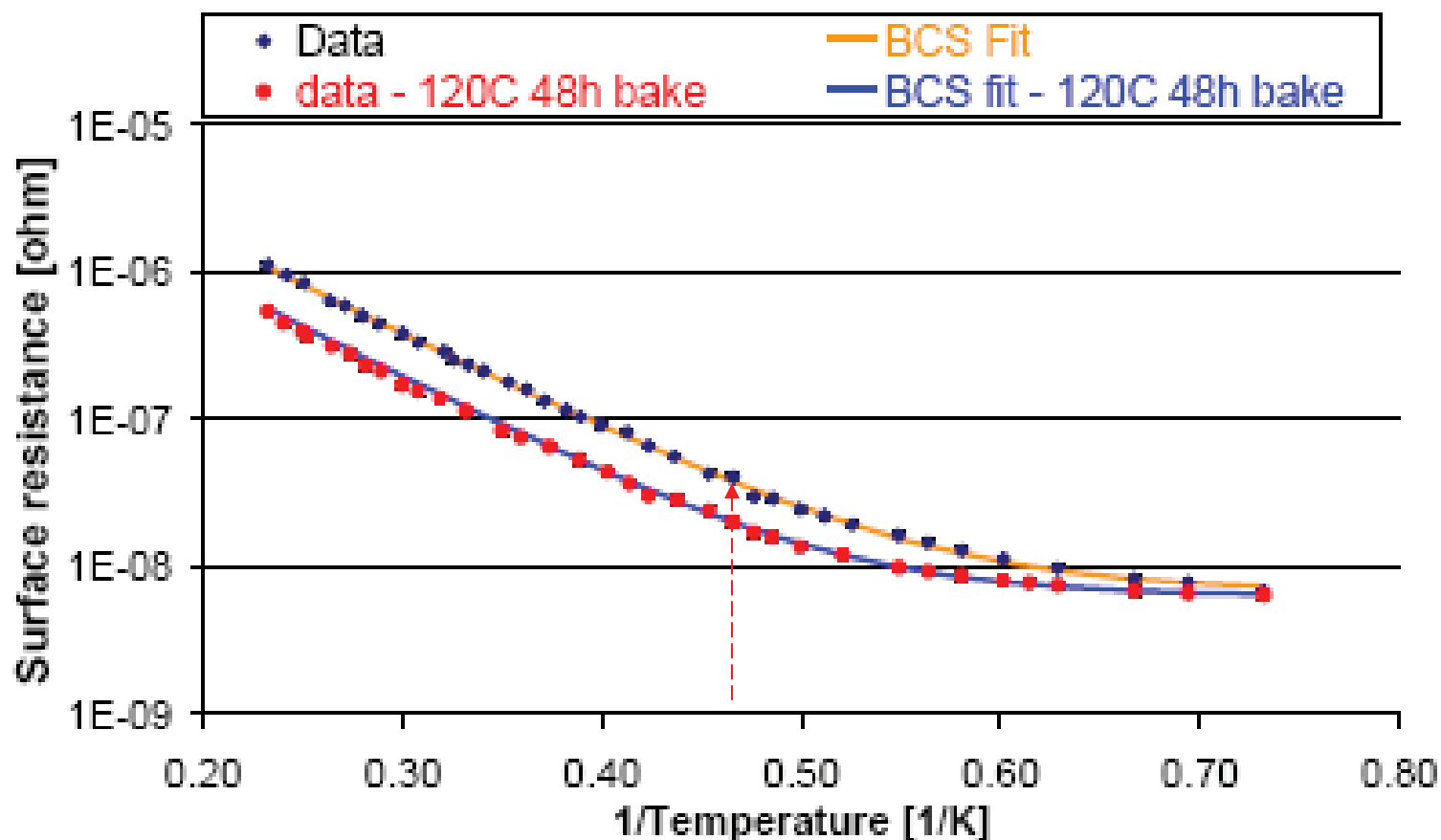


Figure 15: Surface resistance vs. 1/temperature before and after 120°C, 48h baking.

# Effect of high temperature heat treatments on the quality factor of a large-grain superconducting radio-frequency niobium cavity

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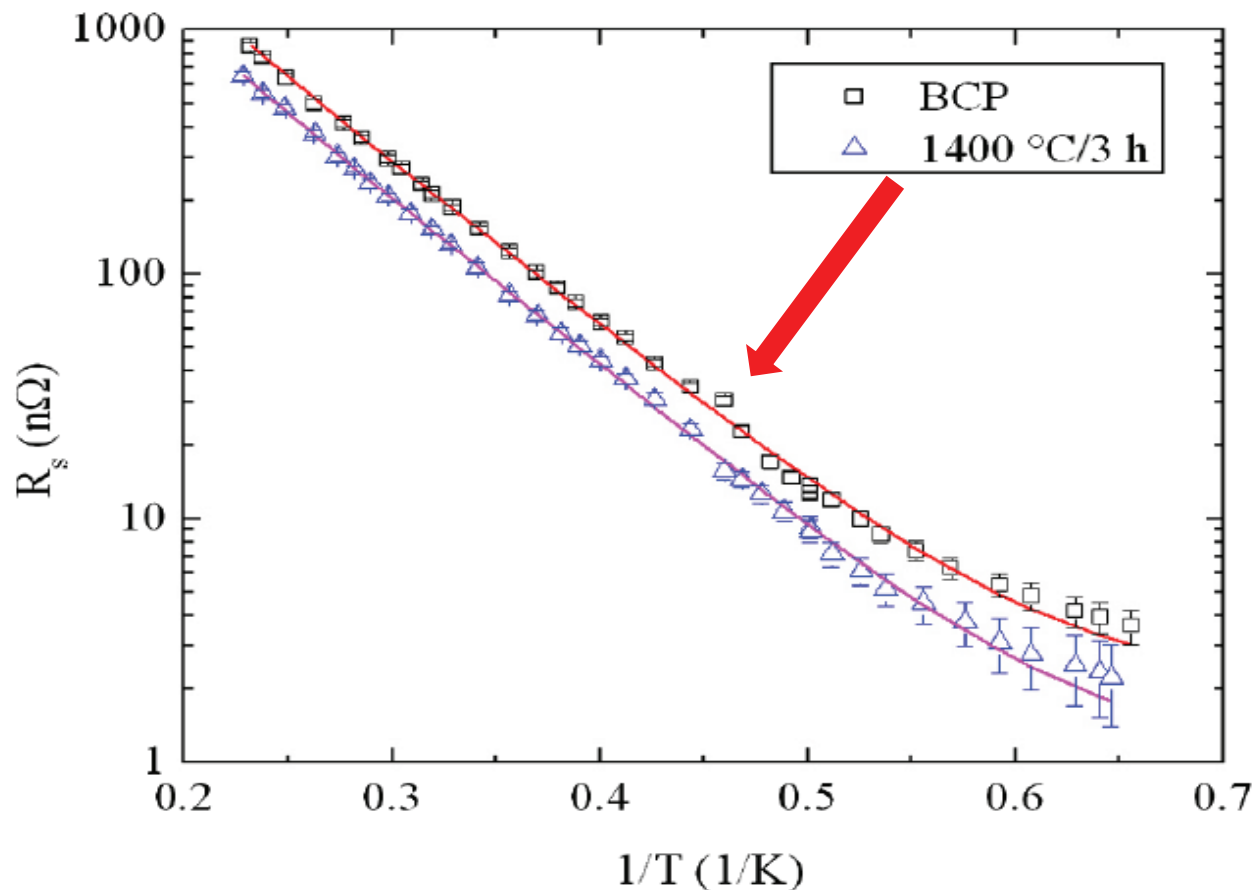
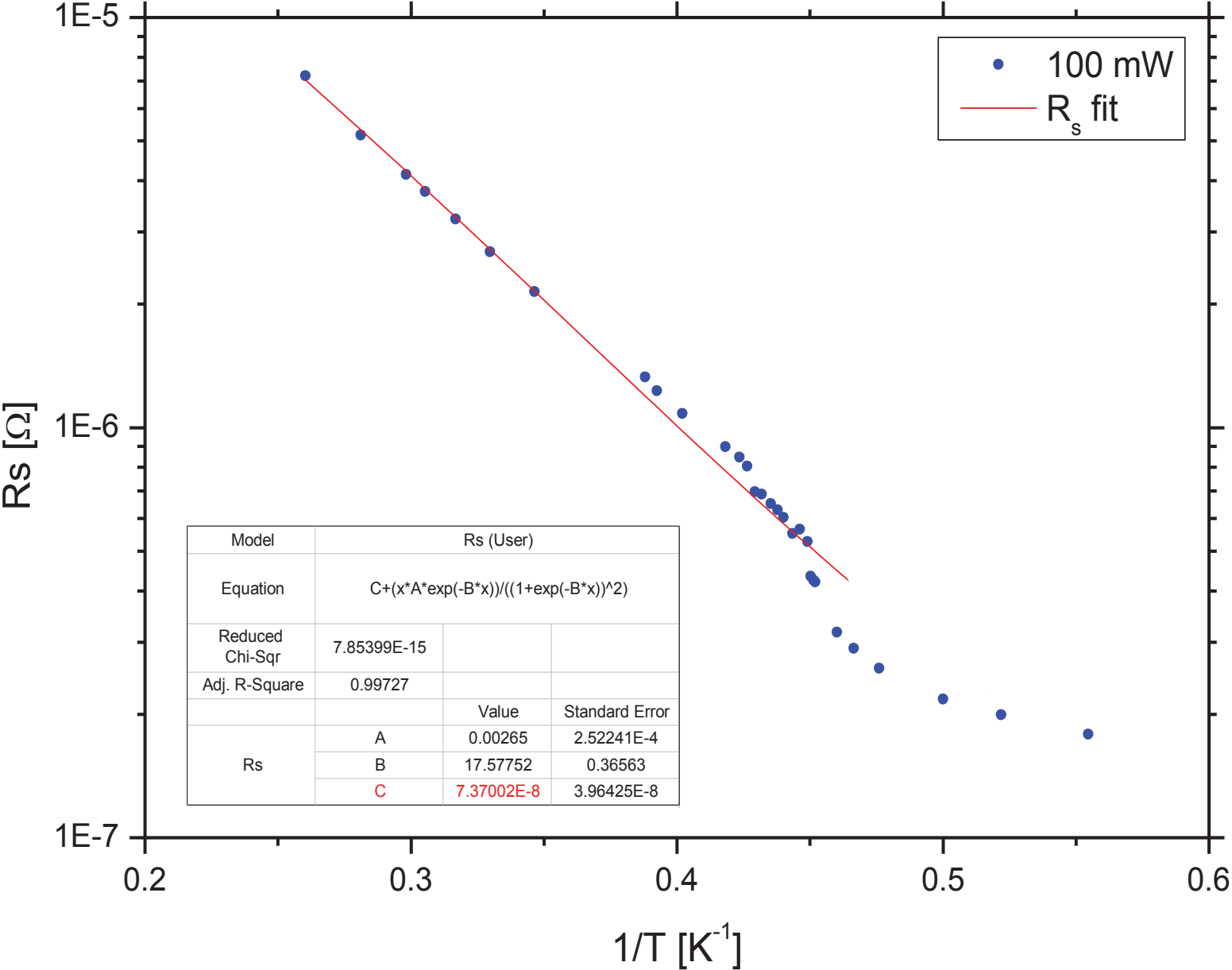
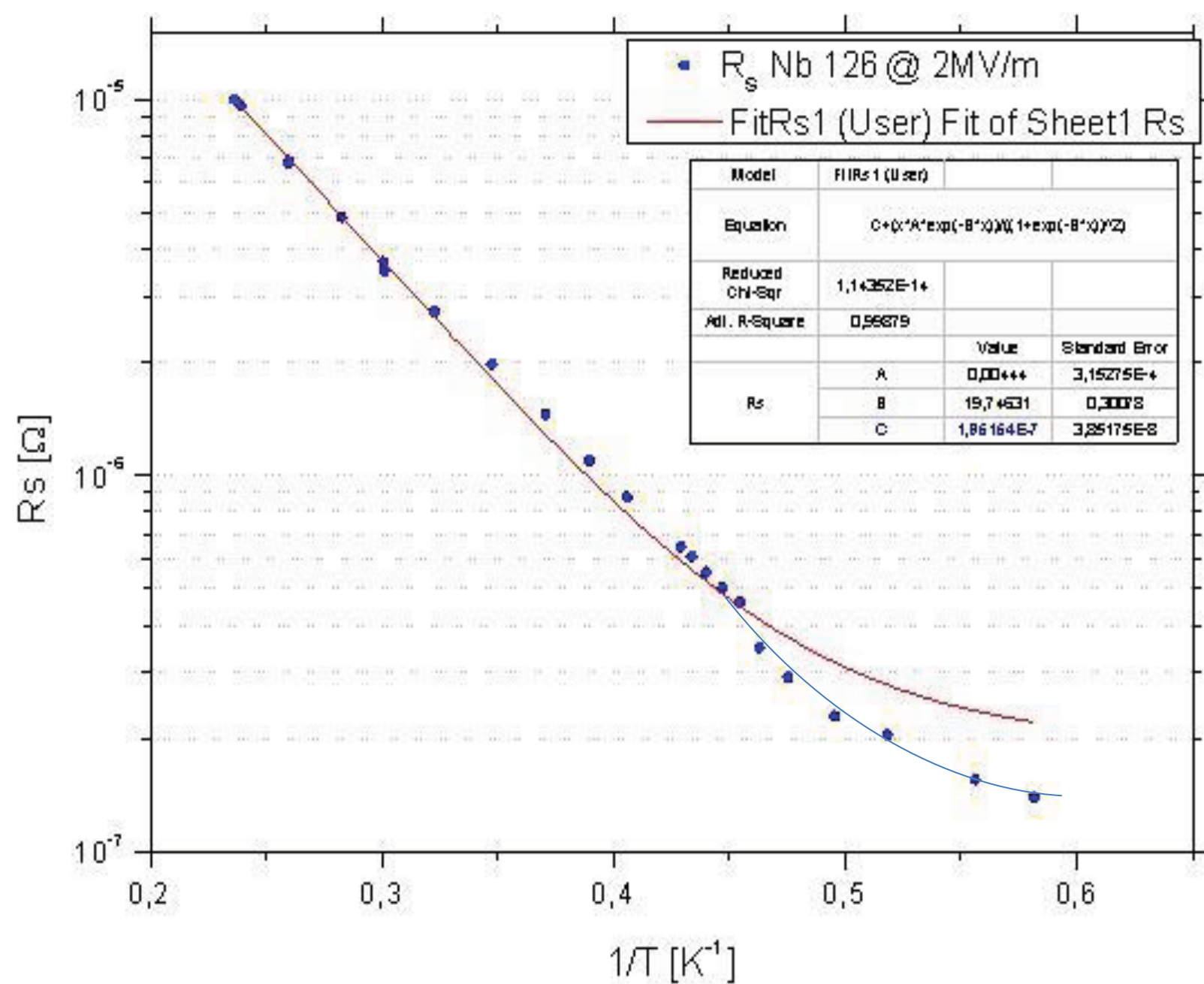


FIG. 9.  $R_s$  vs  $1/T$  measured after BCP and after HT at 1400°C. Solid lines are least-square fits with  $R_s(T) = R_{\text{BCS}}(T) + R_{\text{res}}$ . The values of the fit parameters are  $\Delta/kT_c = 1.87 \pm 0.02$ ,  $\ell = (303 \pm 85)$  nm,  $R_{\text{res}} = (2.0 \pm 0.3)$  nΩ after BCP and  $\Delta/kT_c = 1.90 \pm 0.01$ ,  $\ell = (76 \pm 17)$  nm,  $R_{\text{res}} = (1.0 \pm 0.2)$  nΩ after HT at 1400°C.

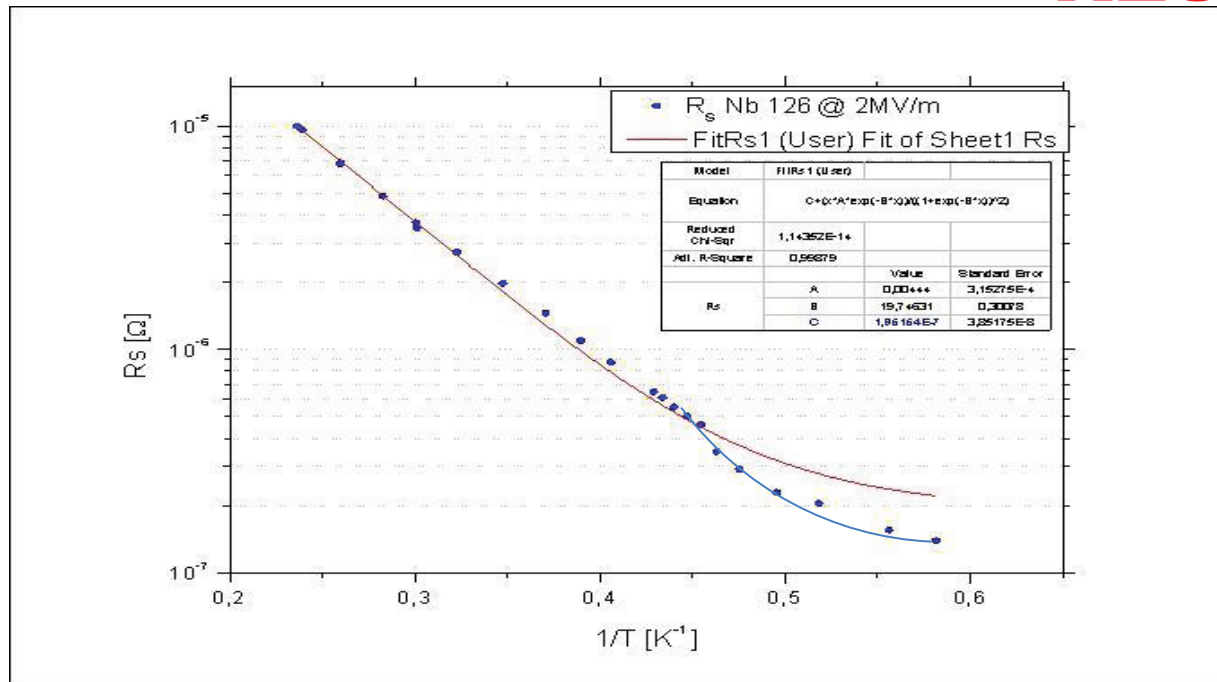
$R_s$  Nb 122 After 3<sup>rd</sup> UHV Annealing





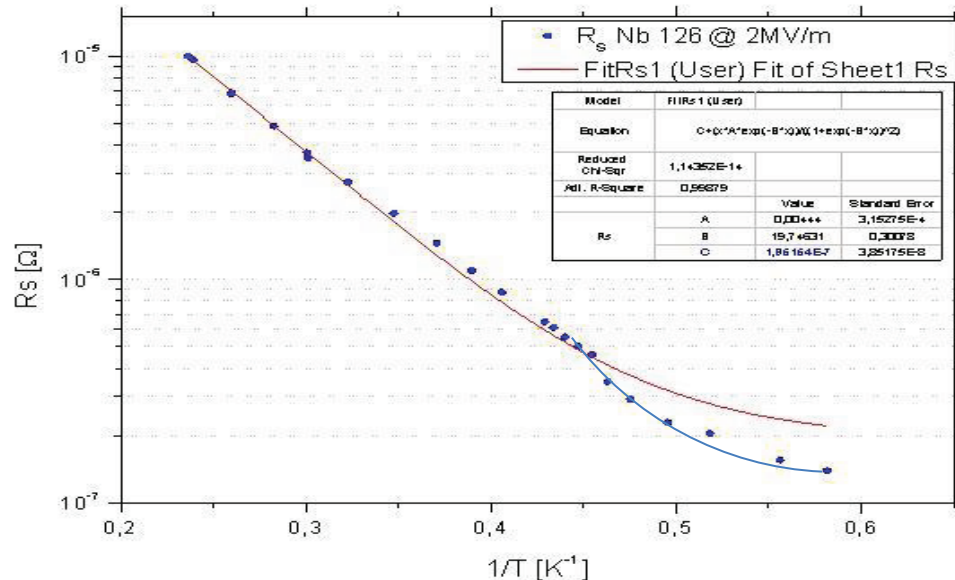
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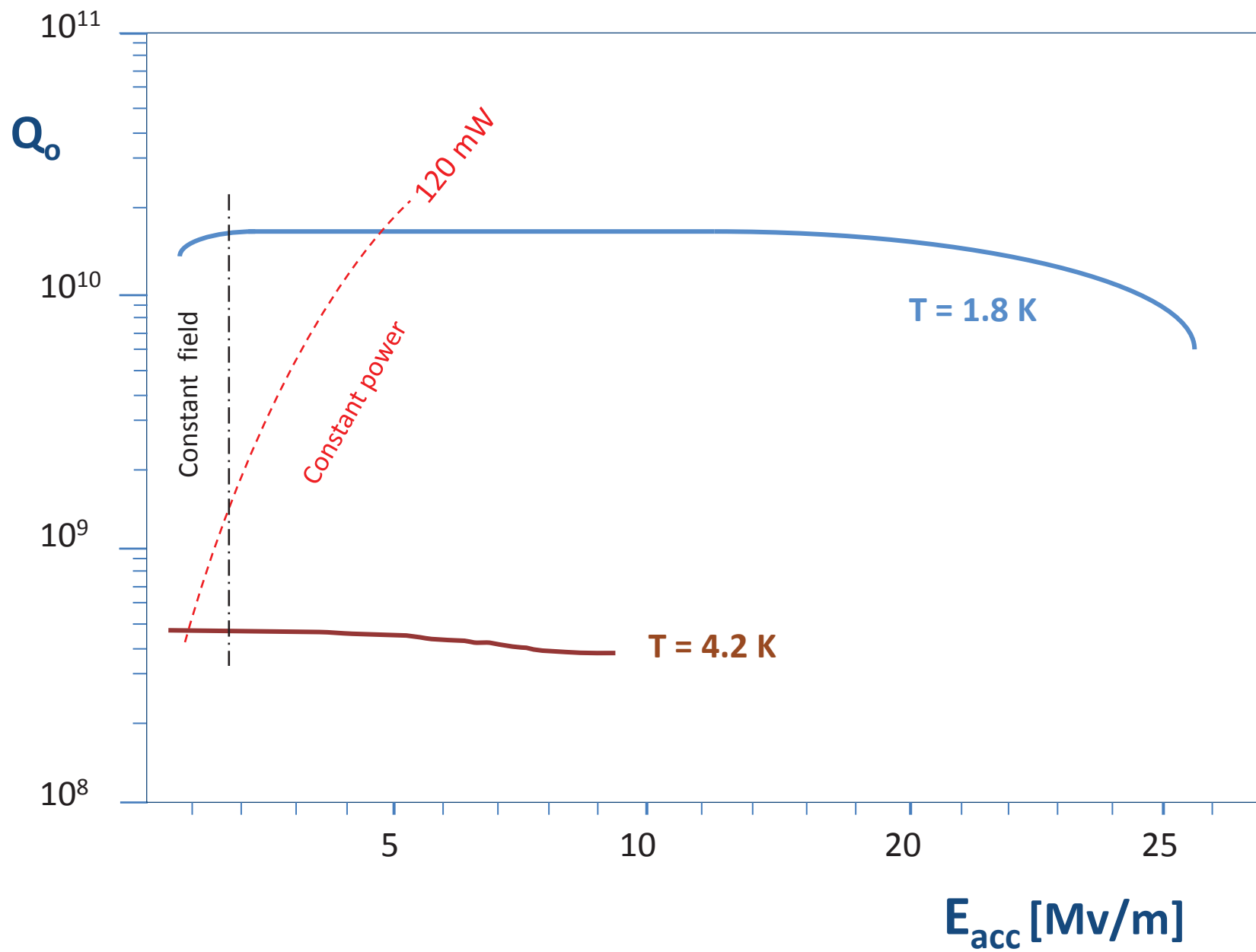
If we cooled the cavity **in  $^3\text{He}$**  instead then **in  $^4\text{He}$** , should we wait **a different  $R_{\text{RES}}$** ?

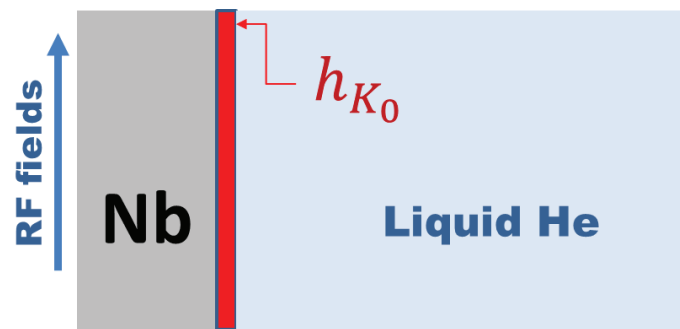


# Question 3:

Are we saying, in other words, that  **$R_{RES}$**  depends on **Liquid He** instead than on **Nb material**?

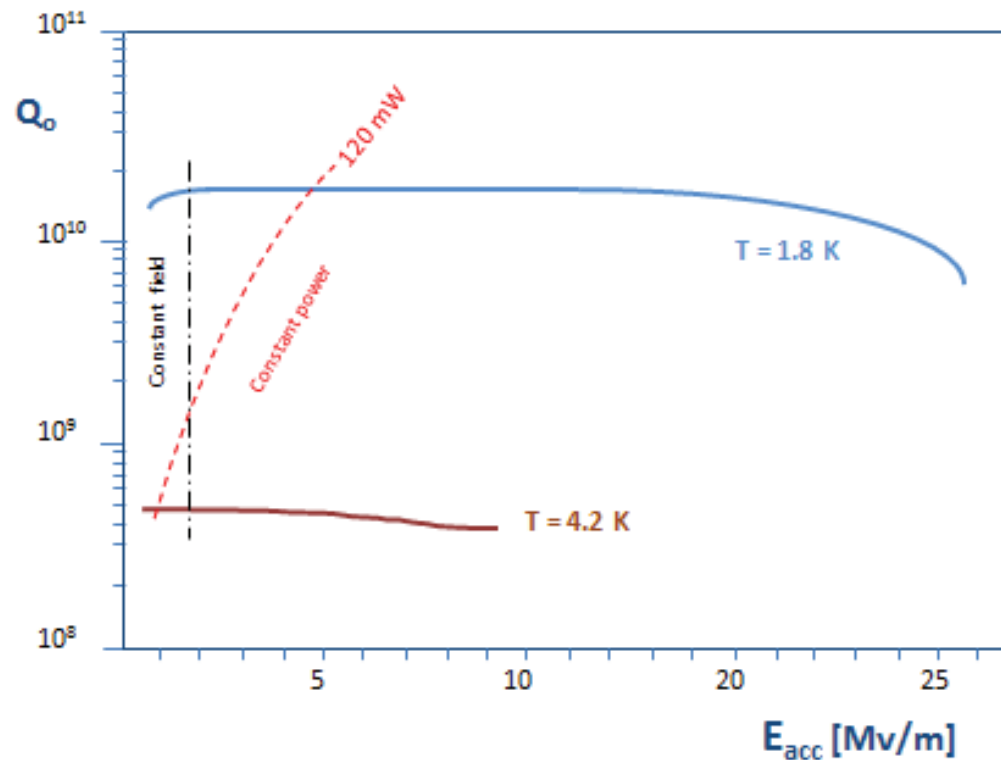




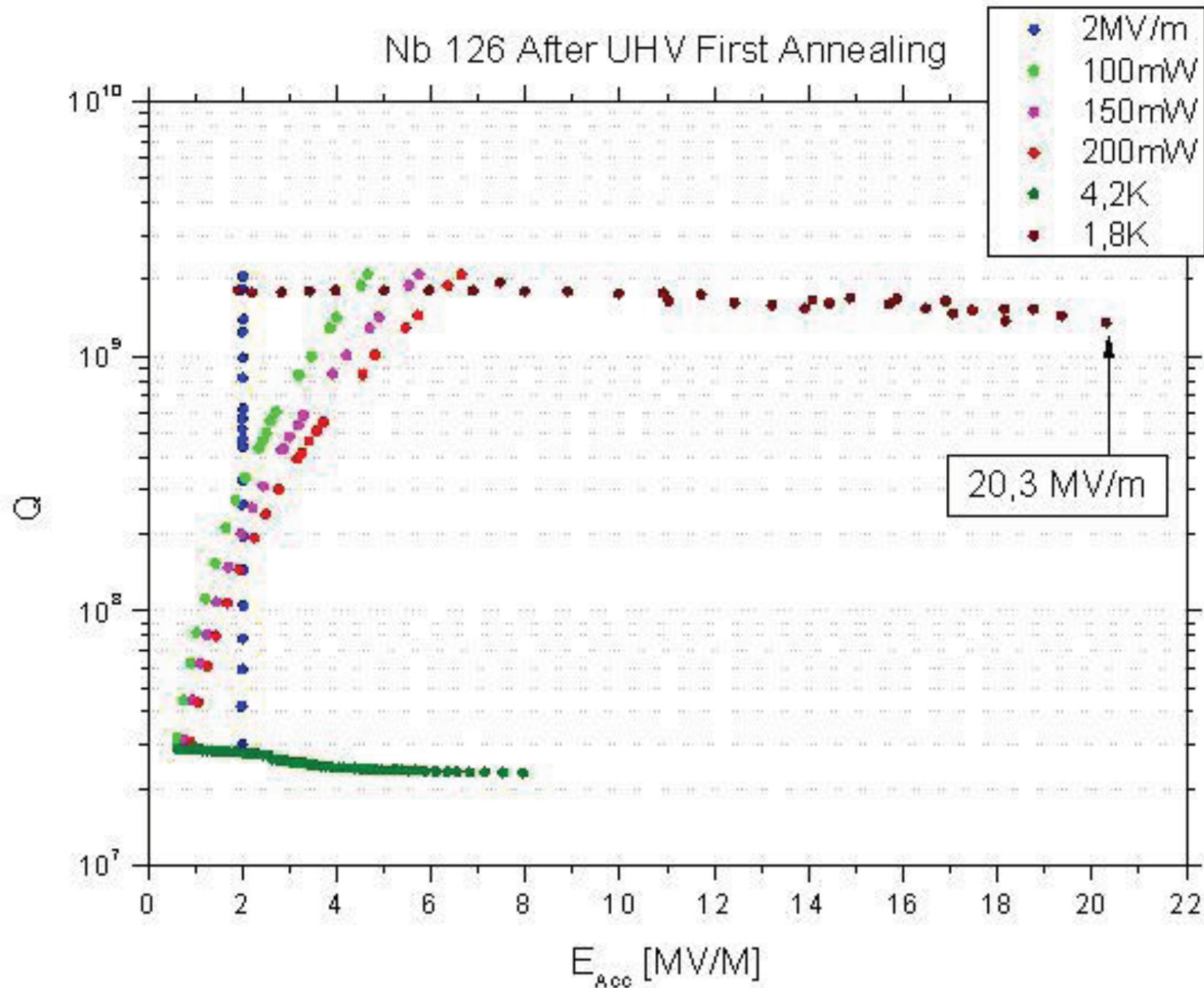


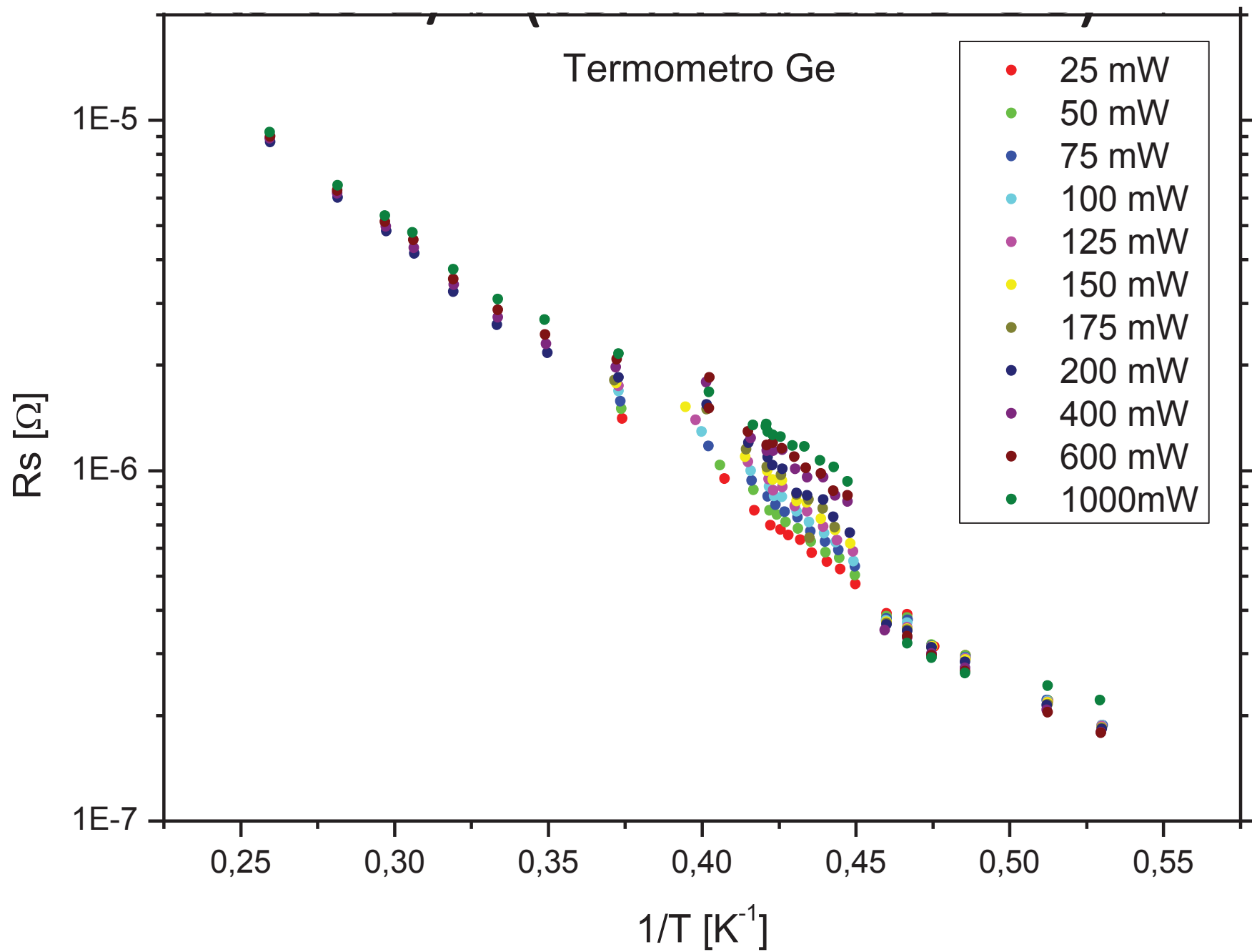
**Constant  $E_{acc}$  means that both  $T$  and  $W$  are changing**

**Constant  $W$  means that, apart  $E_{acc}$  only  $T$  is changing**



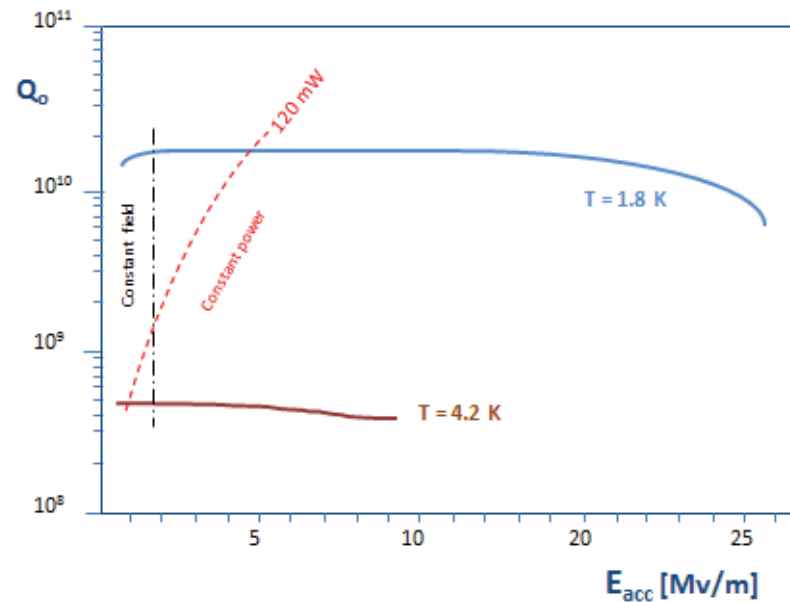
# Nb 126 After UHV First Annealing



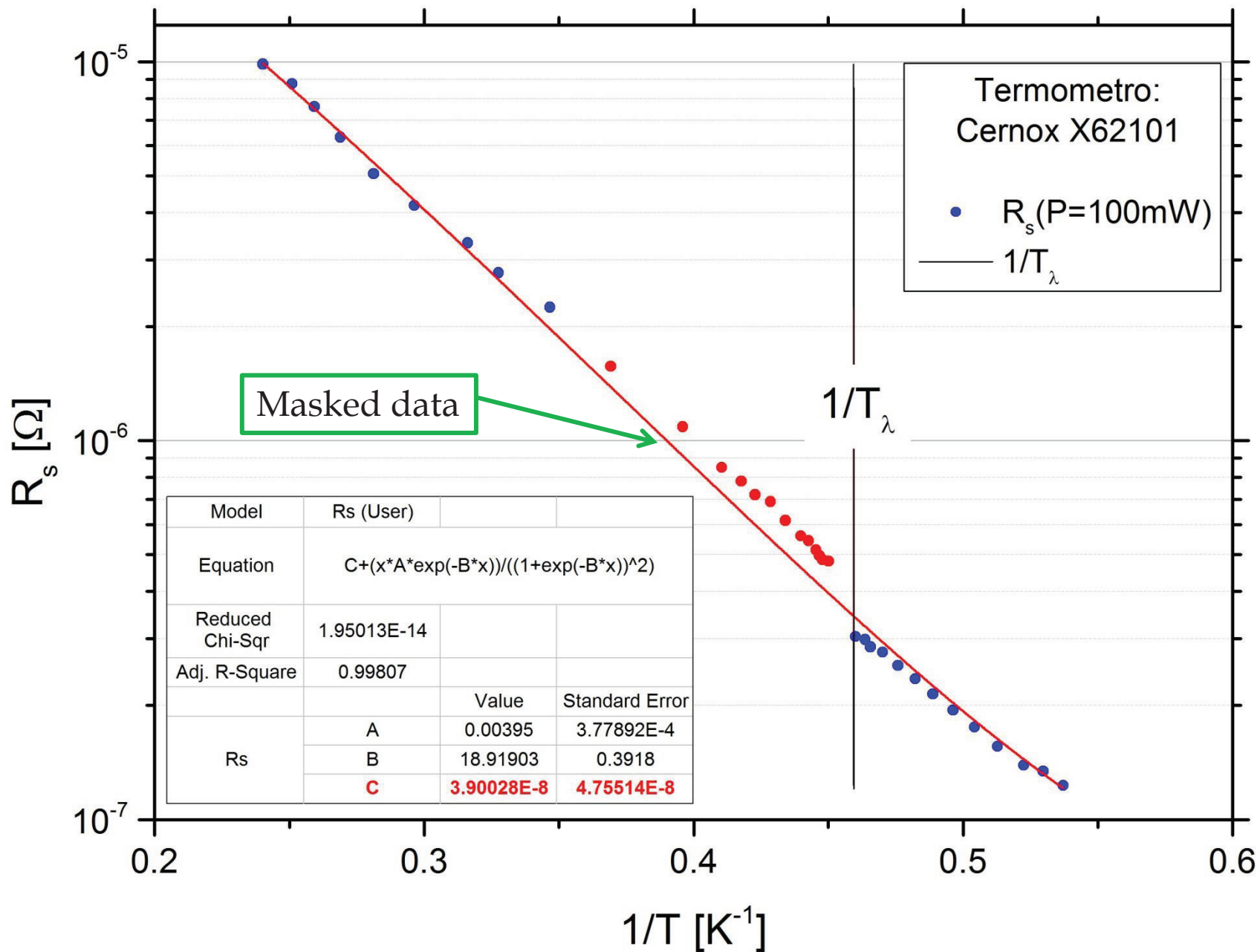


# Question 4

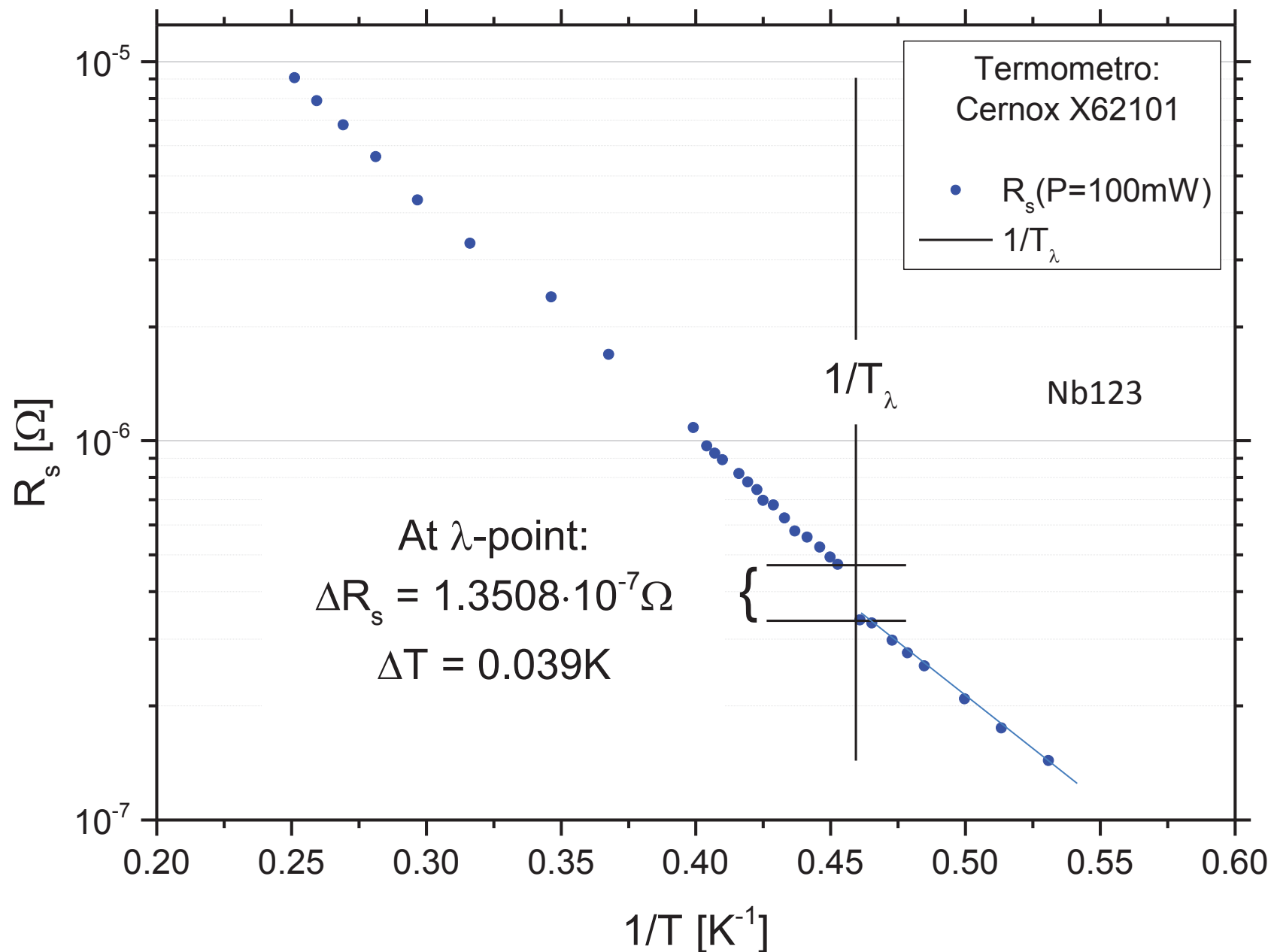
**Thermodynamically, shouldn't we prefer the family of  $R_s(T)$  at constant  $W$  rather than the  $R_s(T)$  at constant  $E_{acc}$  ?**



Especially then if the curves are mixed



# $R_s$ vs $1/T$ [P=100mW]



## Question 5:

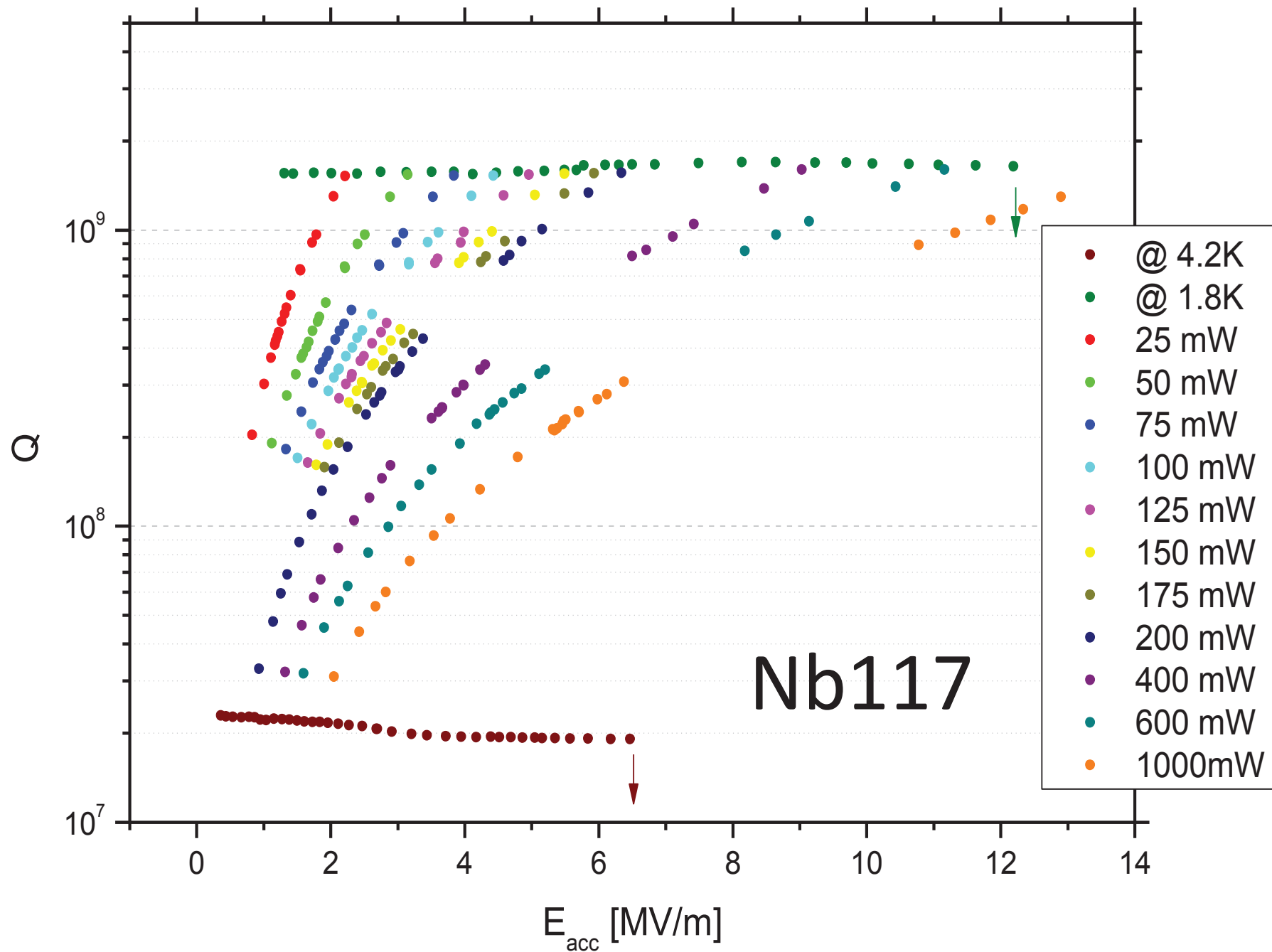
**Whenever we neglect the jump at  $T_\lambda$ ,  
don't we extract **a false value of**  
the strong coupling factor **S**?**

$$R_{BCS}(T_0) = \frac{A\omega^2}{T_0} \exp\left[-\frac{sT_C}{2T_0}\right]$$

$$R_{BCS}(T_0 + \Delta T) \approx \frac{A\omega^2}{T_0} \exp\left[-\frac{sT_C}{2(T_0 + \Delta T)}\right]$$

$$R_{BCS}(T_0 + \Delta T) \approx \frac{A\omega^2}{T_0} \exp\left[-\frac{sT_C}{2T_0}\left(1 - \frac{\Delta T}{T_0}\right)\right]$$

$$\mathbf{s}^{meas} = \mathbf{s} \left(1 - \frac{\Delta T}{T_0}\right)$$



## Question 6:

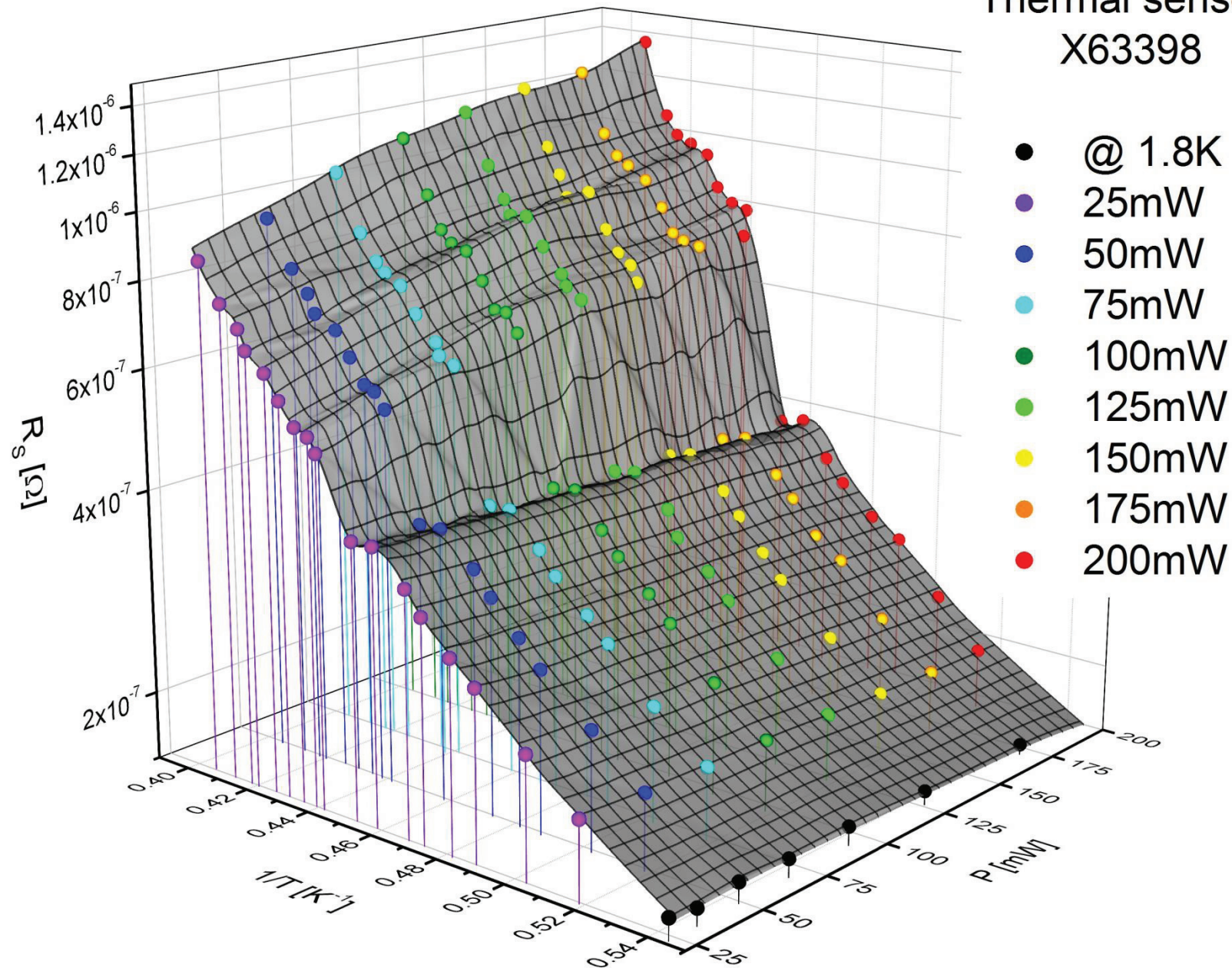
Since  $R = R_s(T)$  and  $Q = Q(E_{acc})$ ,

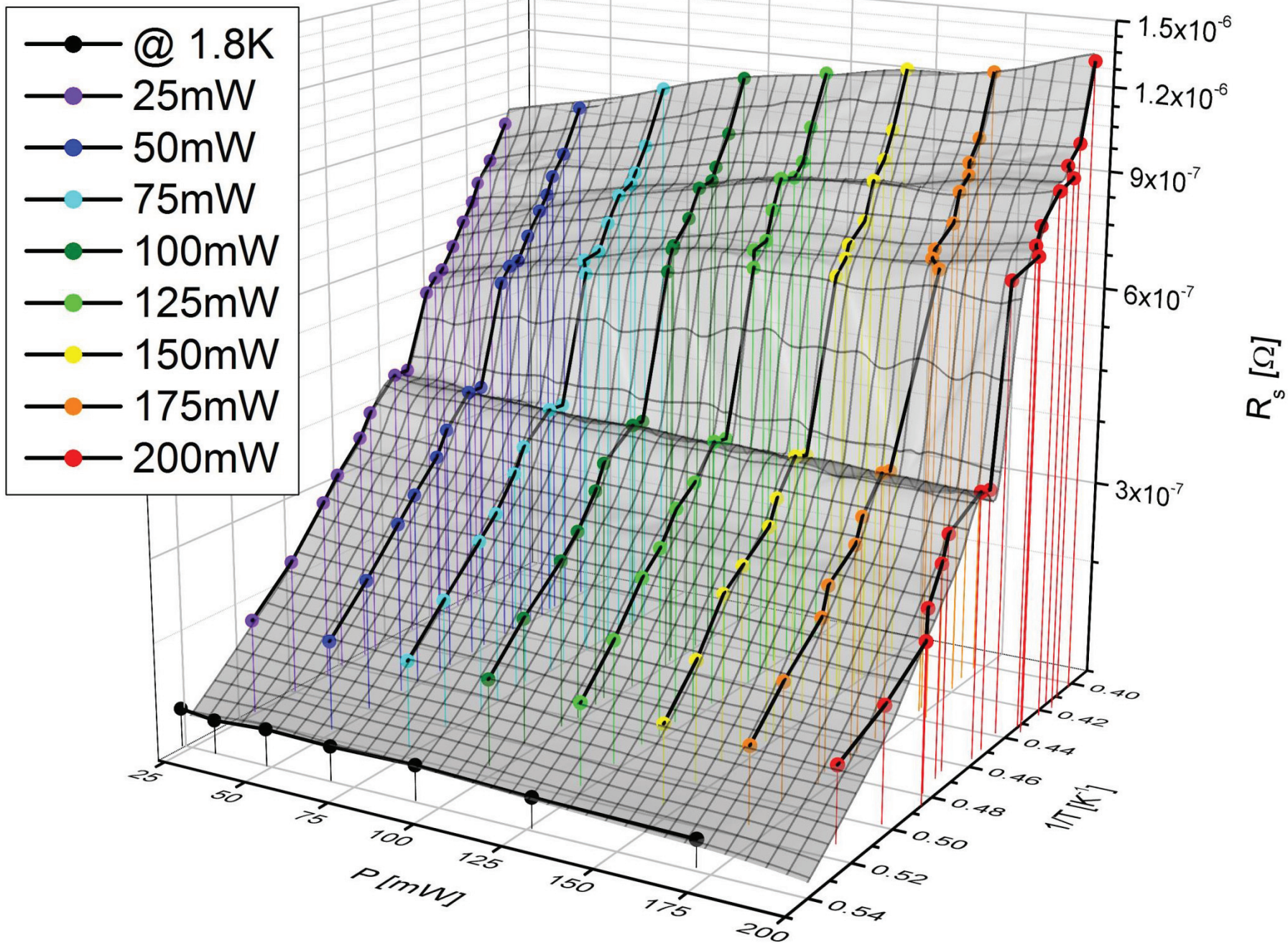
could we

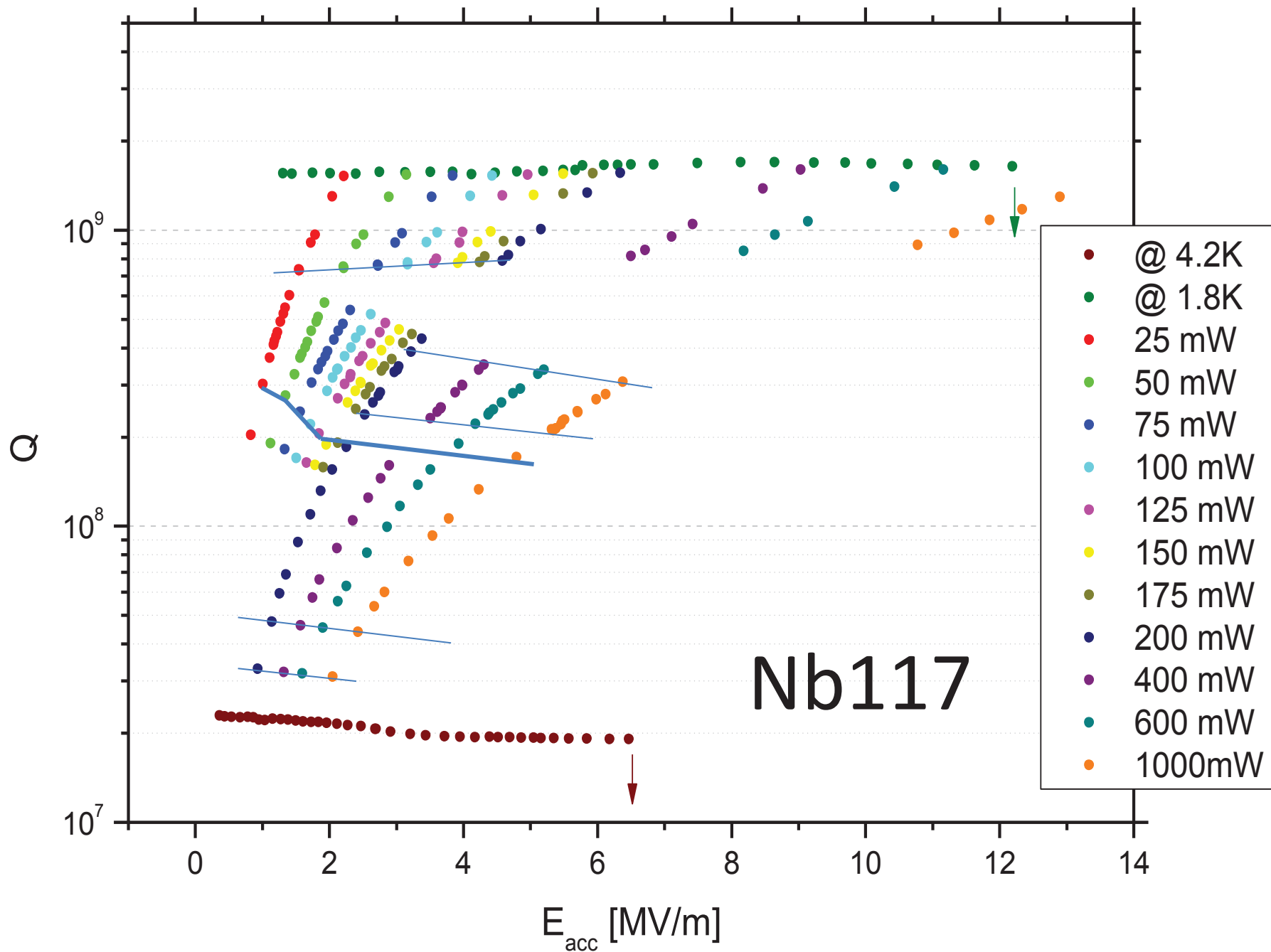
join the 2 curves into 1 graph?

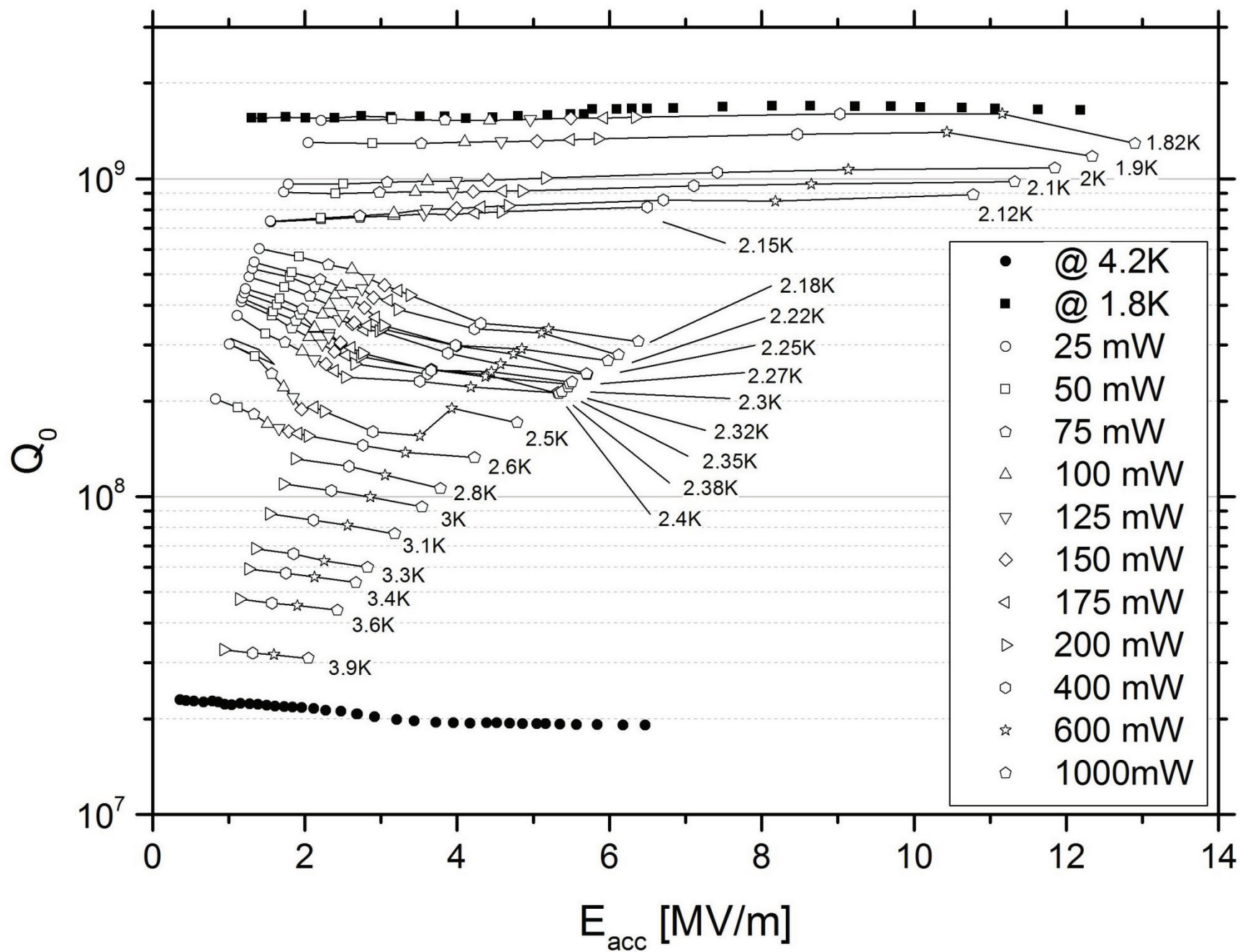
# $R_s$ vs $1/T$ vs $P$ (Cernox X63398)

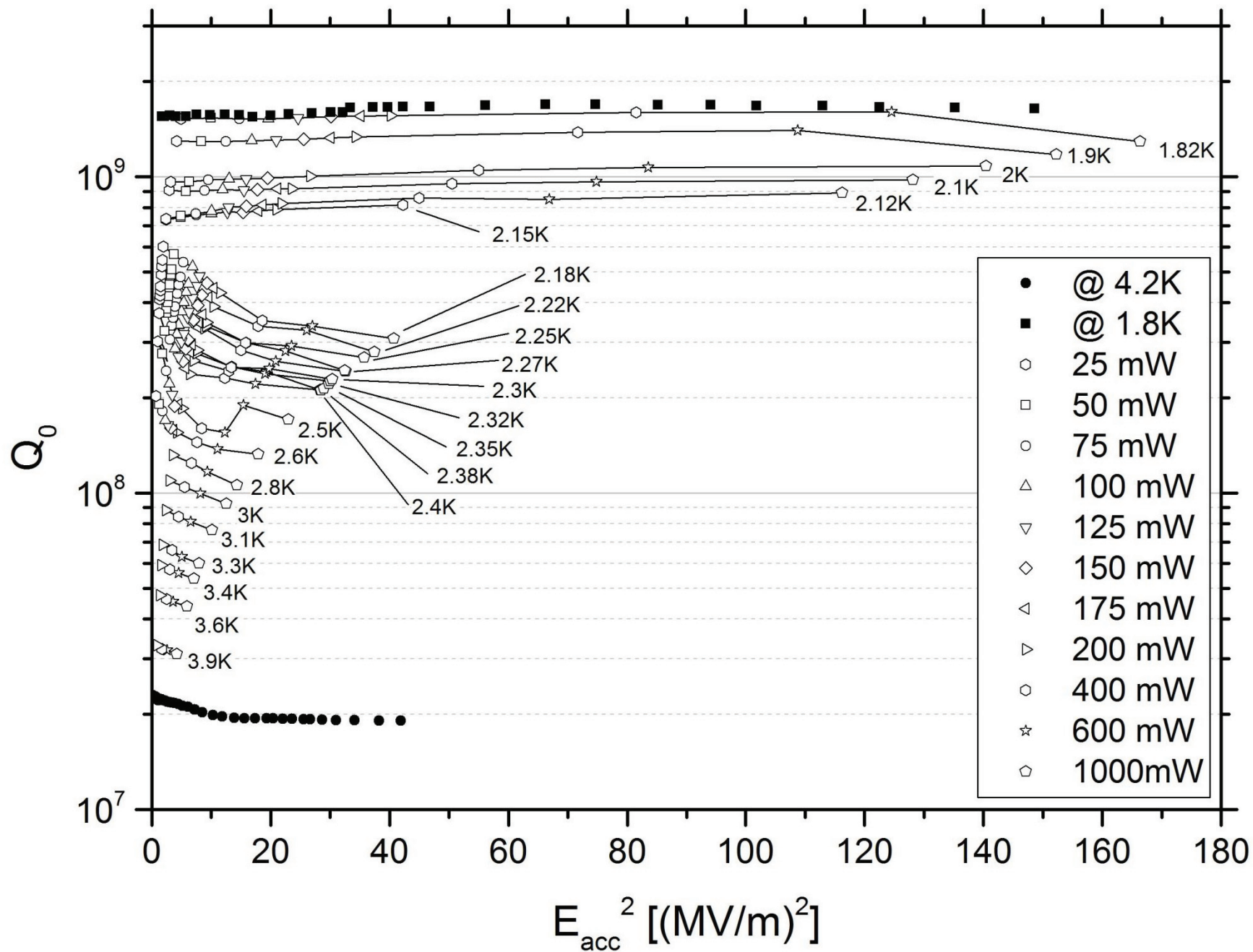
Thermal sensor:  
X63398









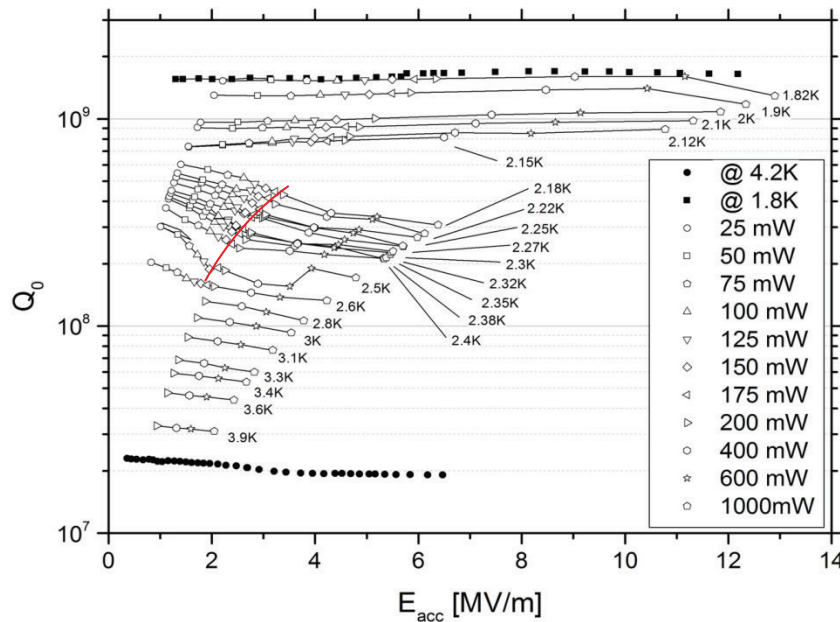


## Question 7:

**Which strange dissipation mechanism makes the Q-factor decreasing linearly with  $W$ , but at a certain point it becomes almost constant?**

# Question 8:

The critical power where the losses change slope do correspond to the **He boiling nucleation?**



# Q-SLOPE ANALYSIS OF NIOBIUM SC RF CAVITIES

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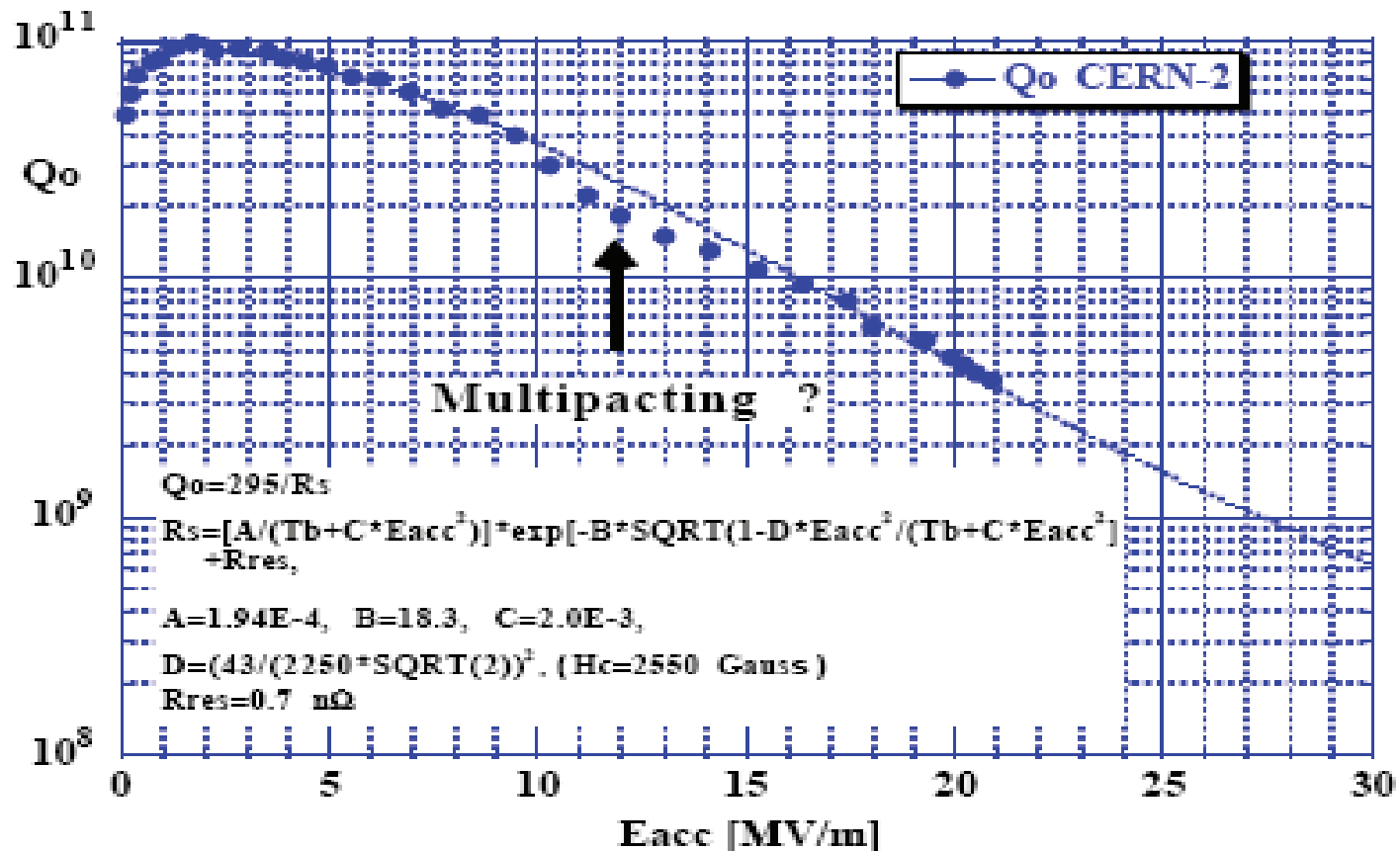
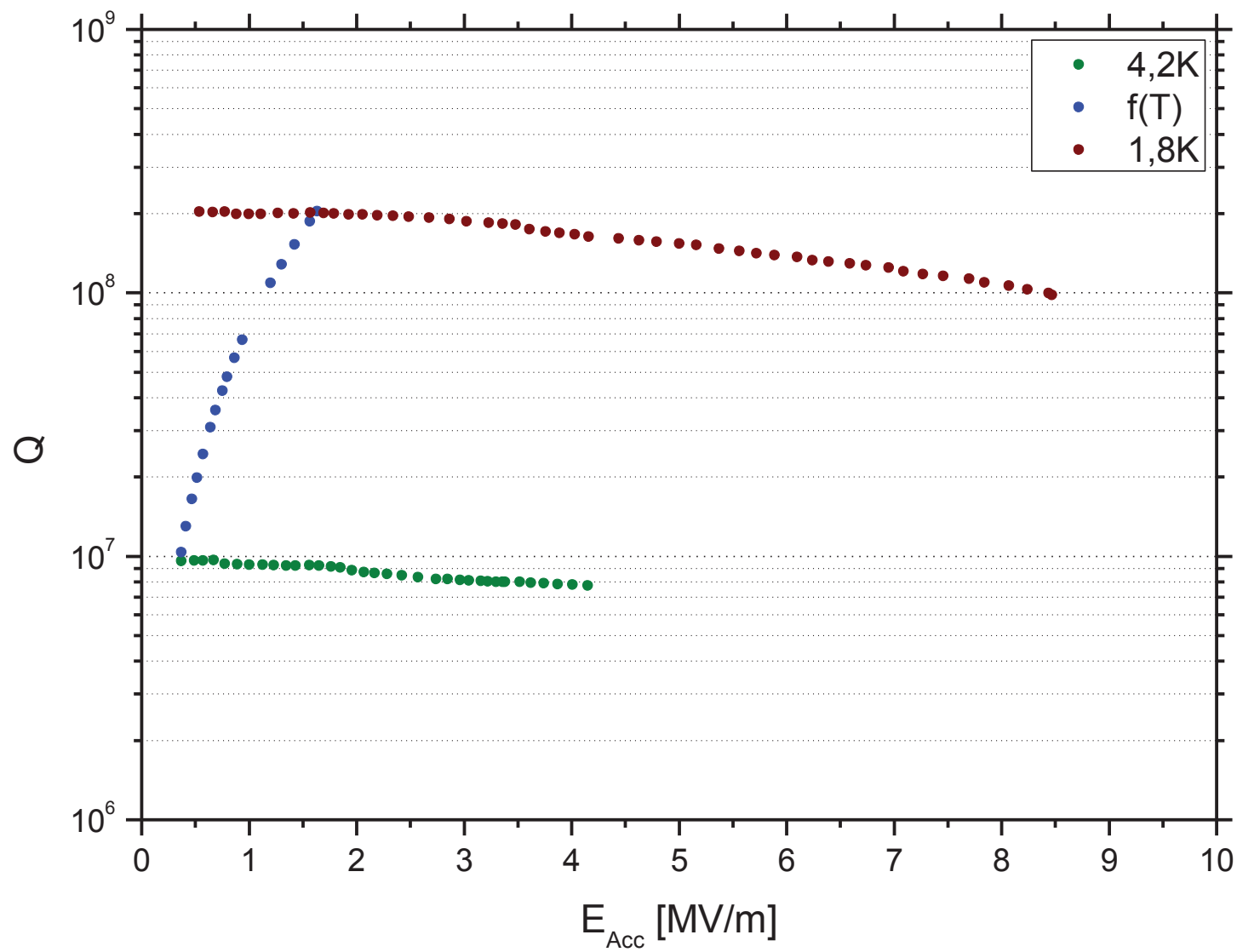


Figure 20:  $Q_0$ - $E_{acc}$  excitation curve fitting by the combined model for the 1500MHz niobium film coated cavity at CERN.

# Nb 122 After ATM Annealing



# EXPERIMENTAL COMPARISON AT KEK OF HIGH GRADIENT PERFORMANCE OF DIFFERENT SINGLE CELL SUPERCONDUCTING CAVITY DESIGNS

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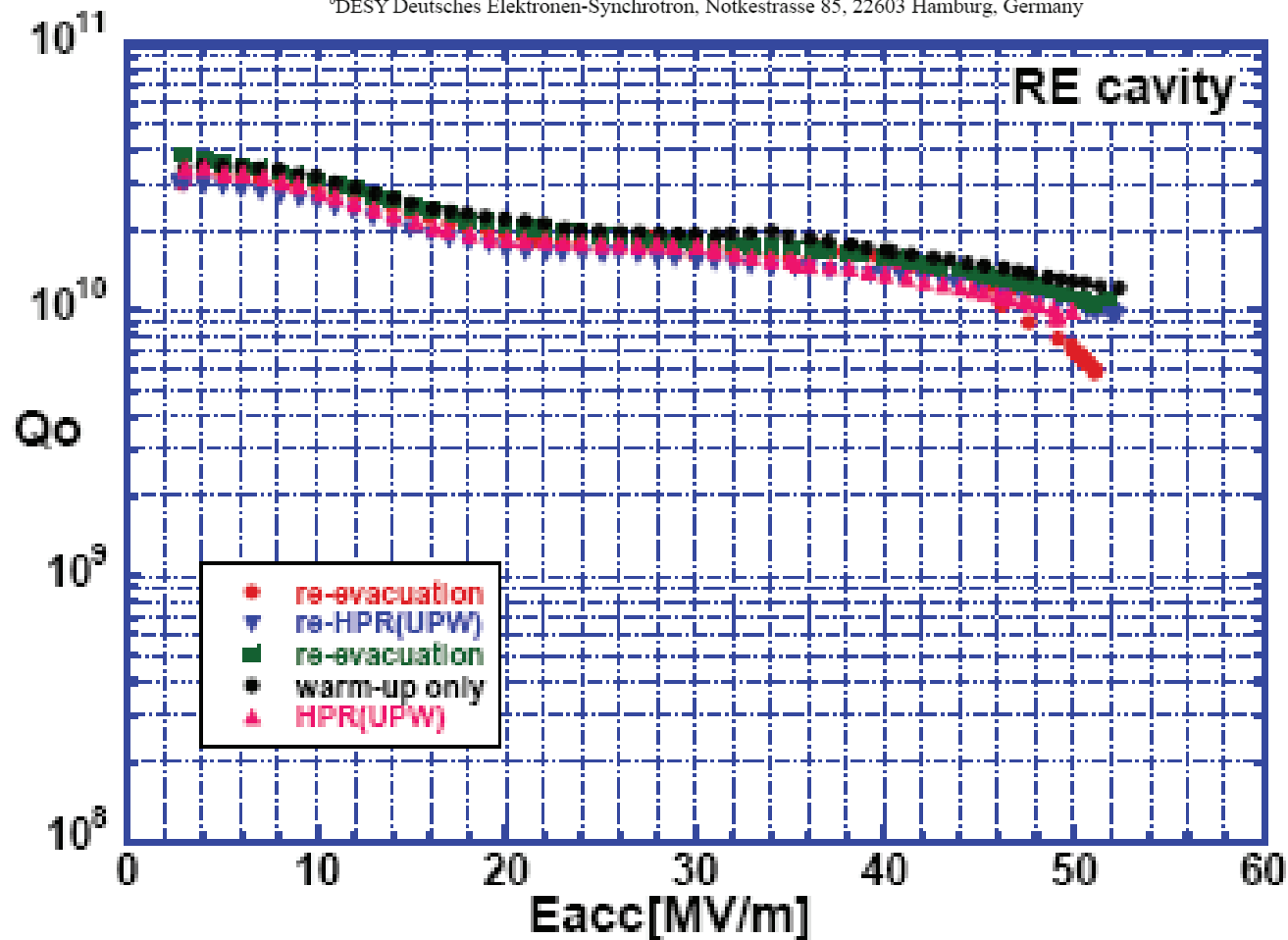


Figure 5: The reproducibility of high gradient.

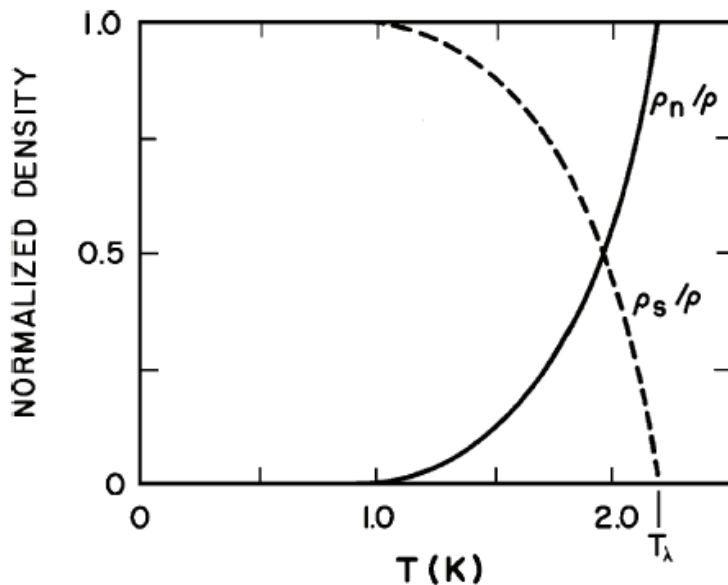
## **Question 9:**

**Is it possible that**

**He-II will have memory of the  
boiling nucleation of He-I ?**

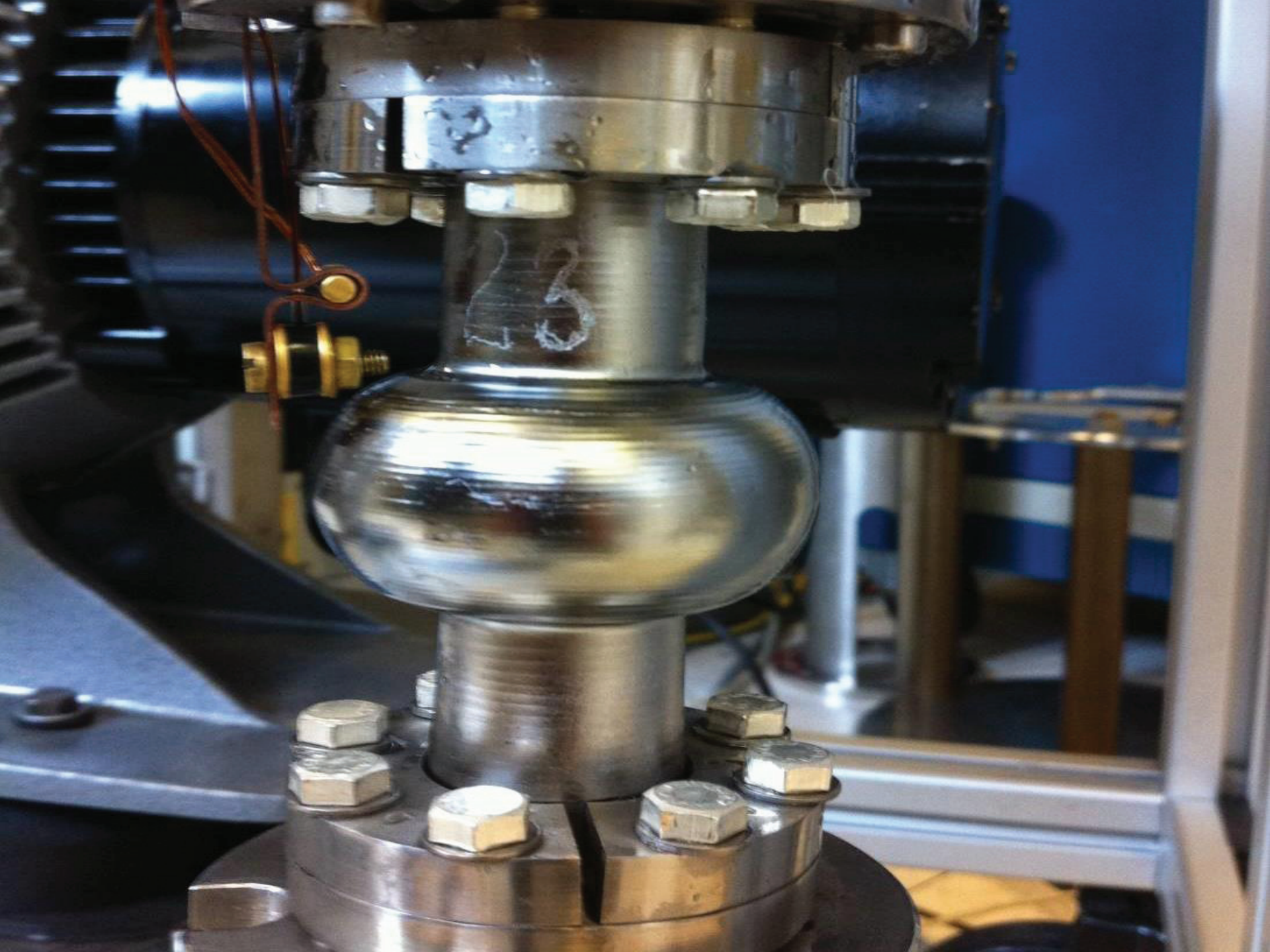
## QUESTION 10:

Can be the reason that  
1.8 K is very close to  $T_\lambda$ ,  
so **at 1.8K  $\rho_n$  is ~34% ?**

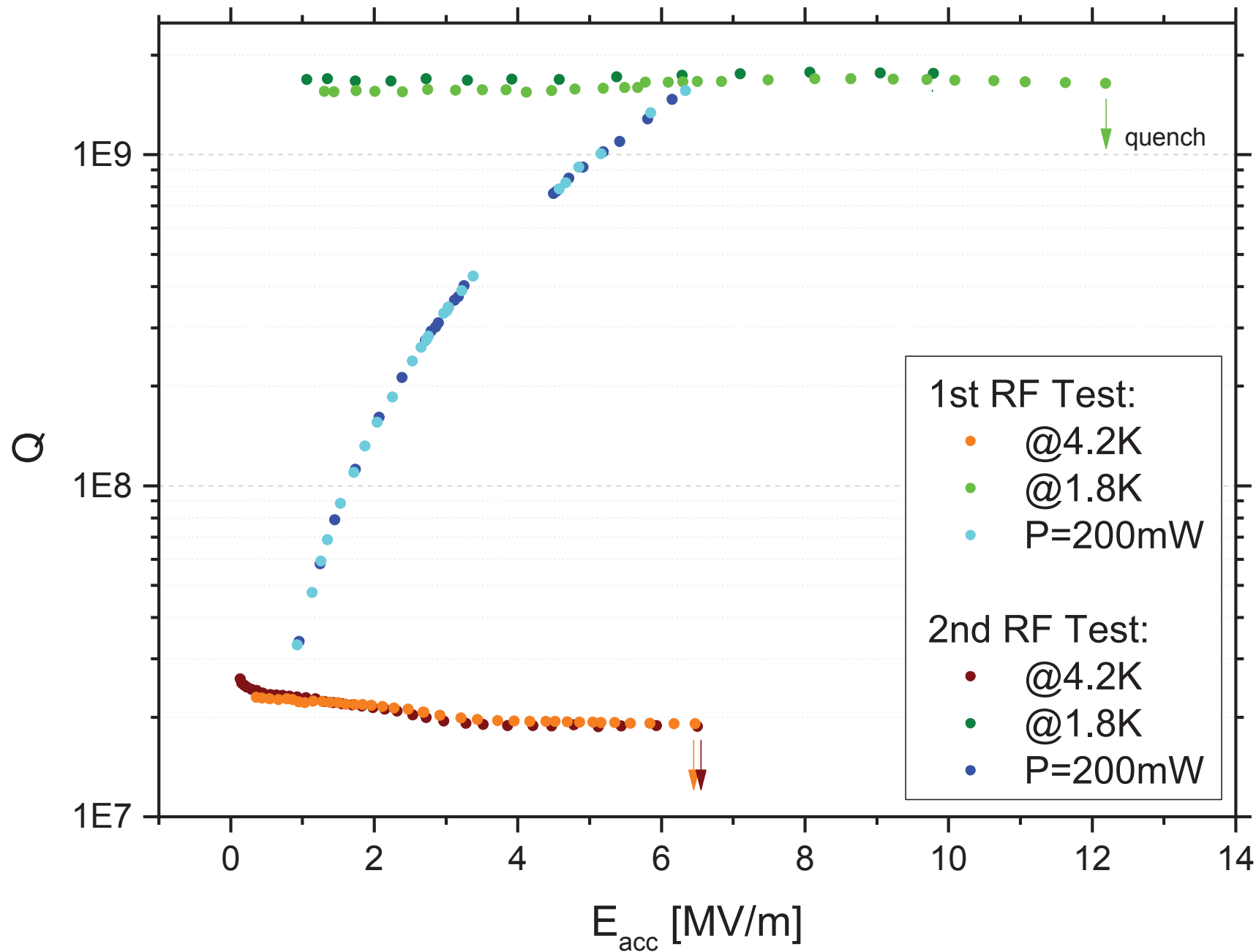


$$\rho = \rho_s + \rho_n$$

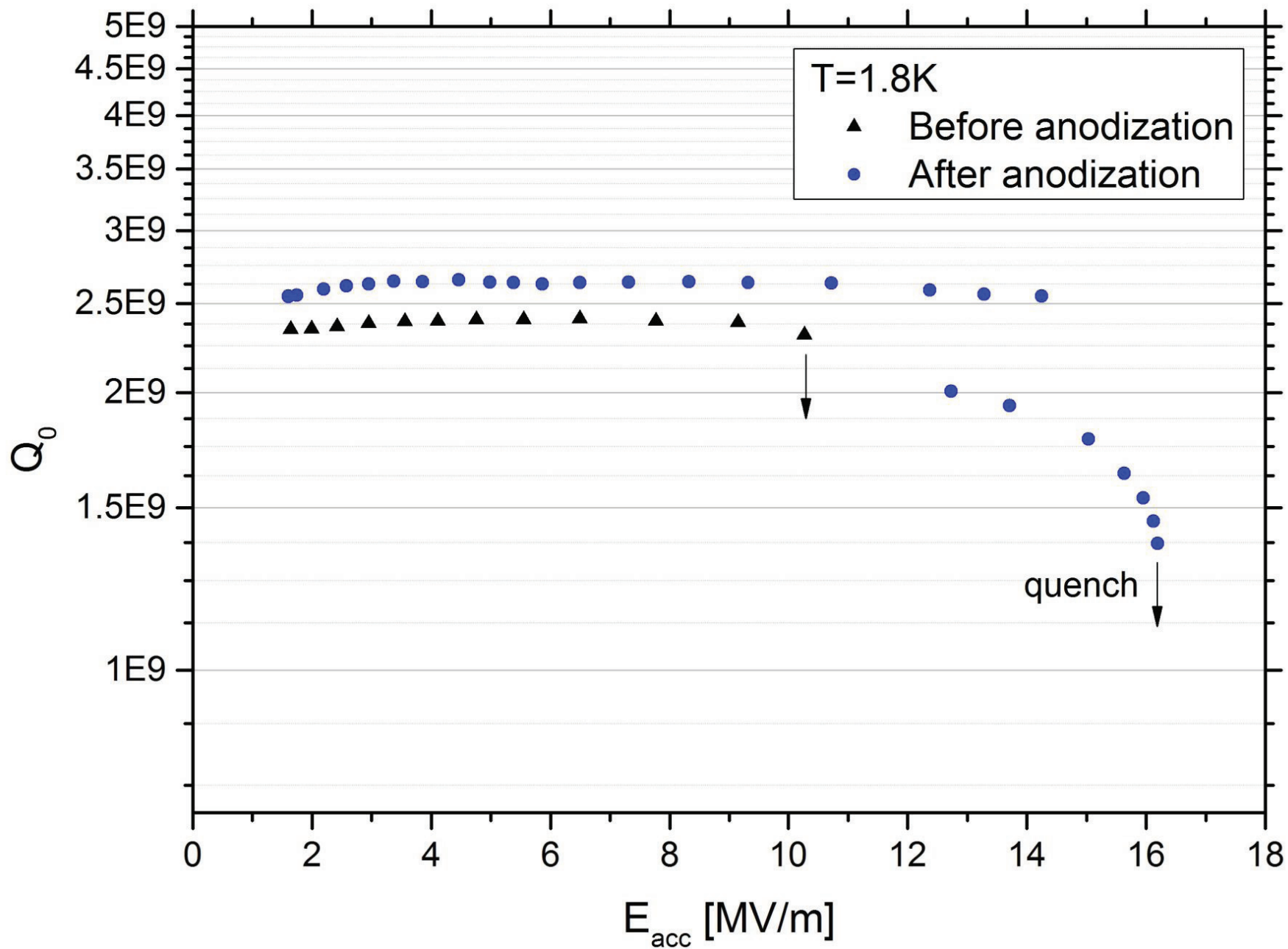
$$\frac{\rho_n}{\rho} = \left( \frac{T}{T_\lambda} \right)^{5.6} \quad \text{for } T \leq T_\lambda$$

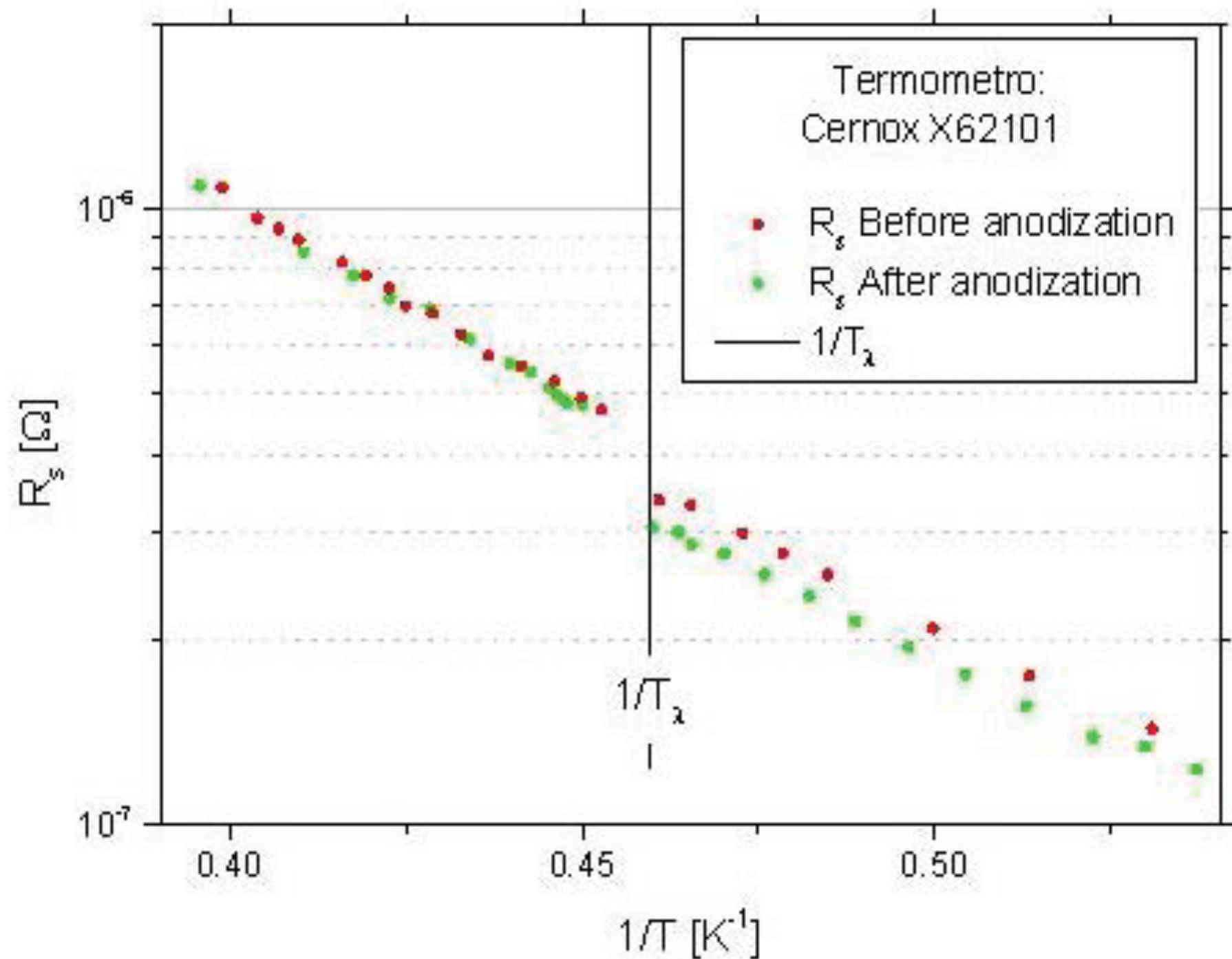


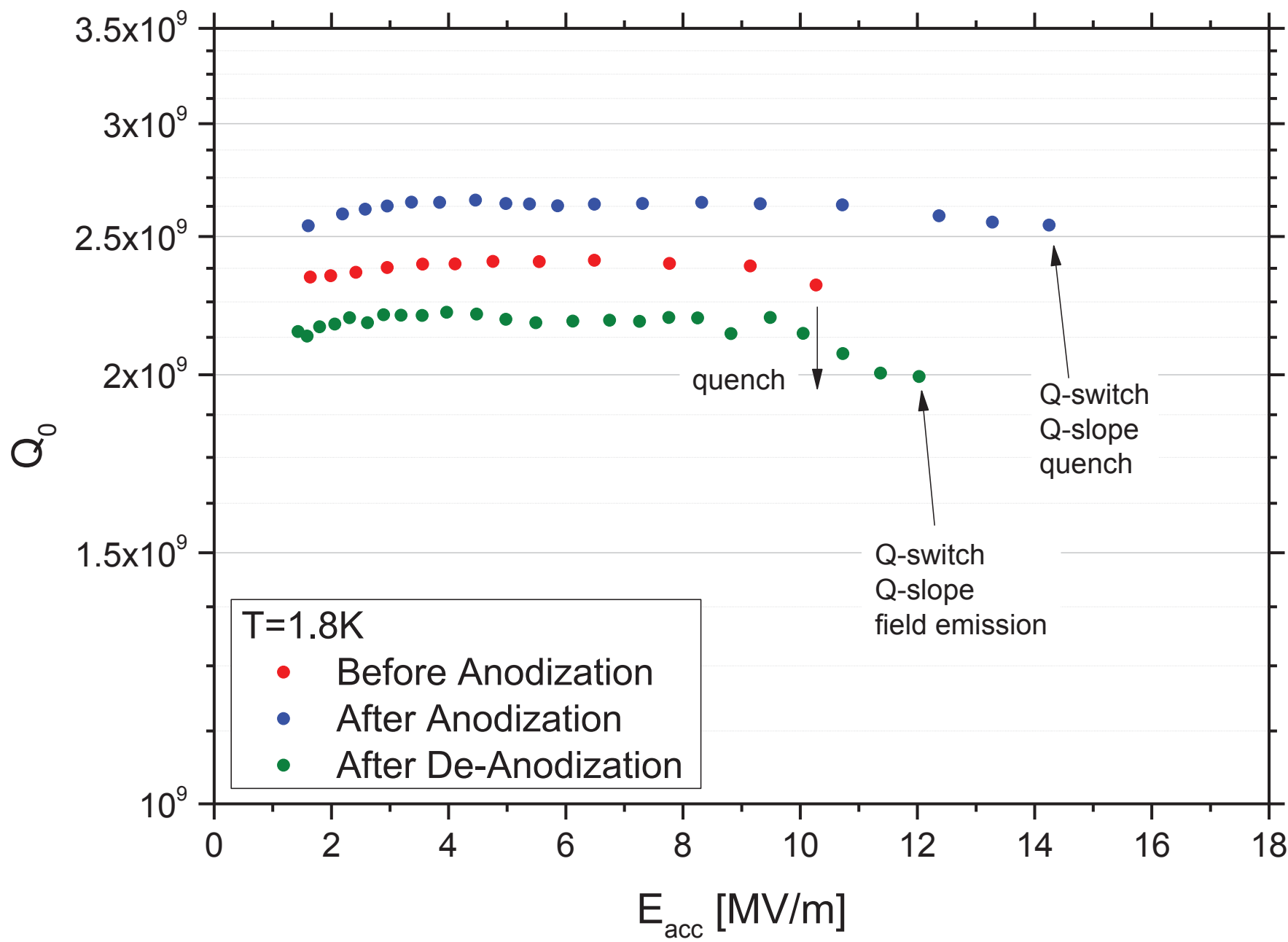
# Measured twice







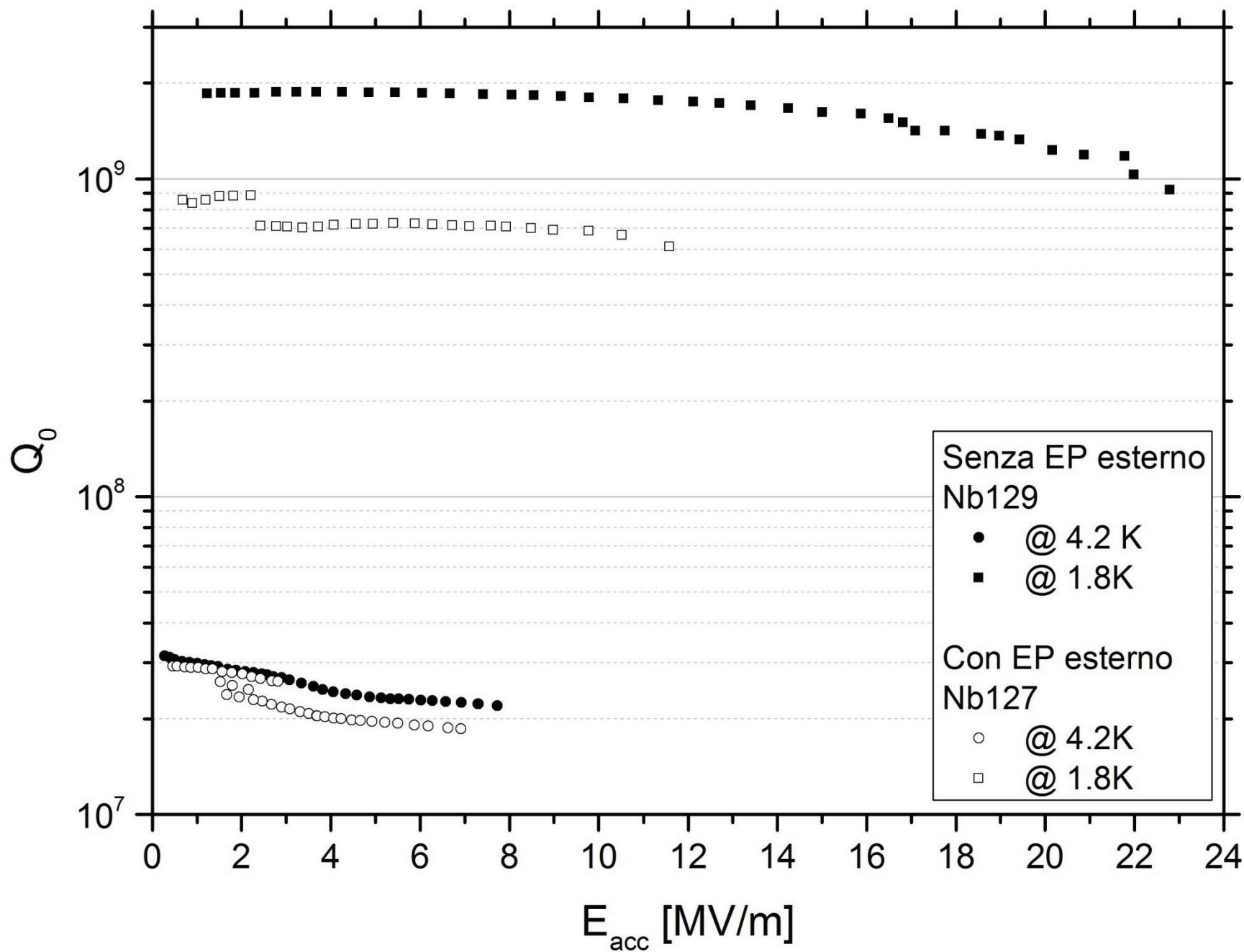




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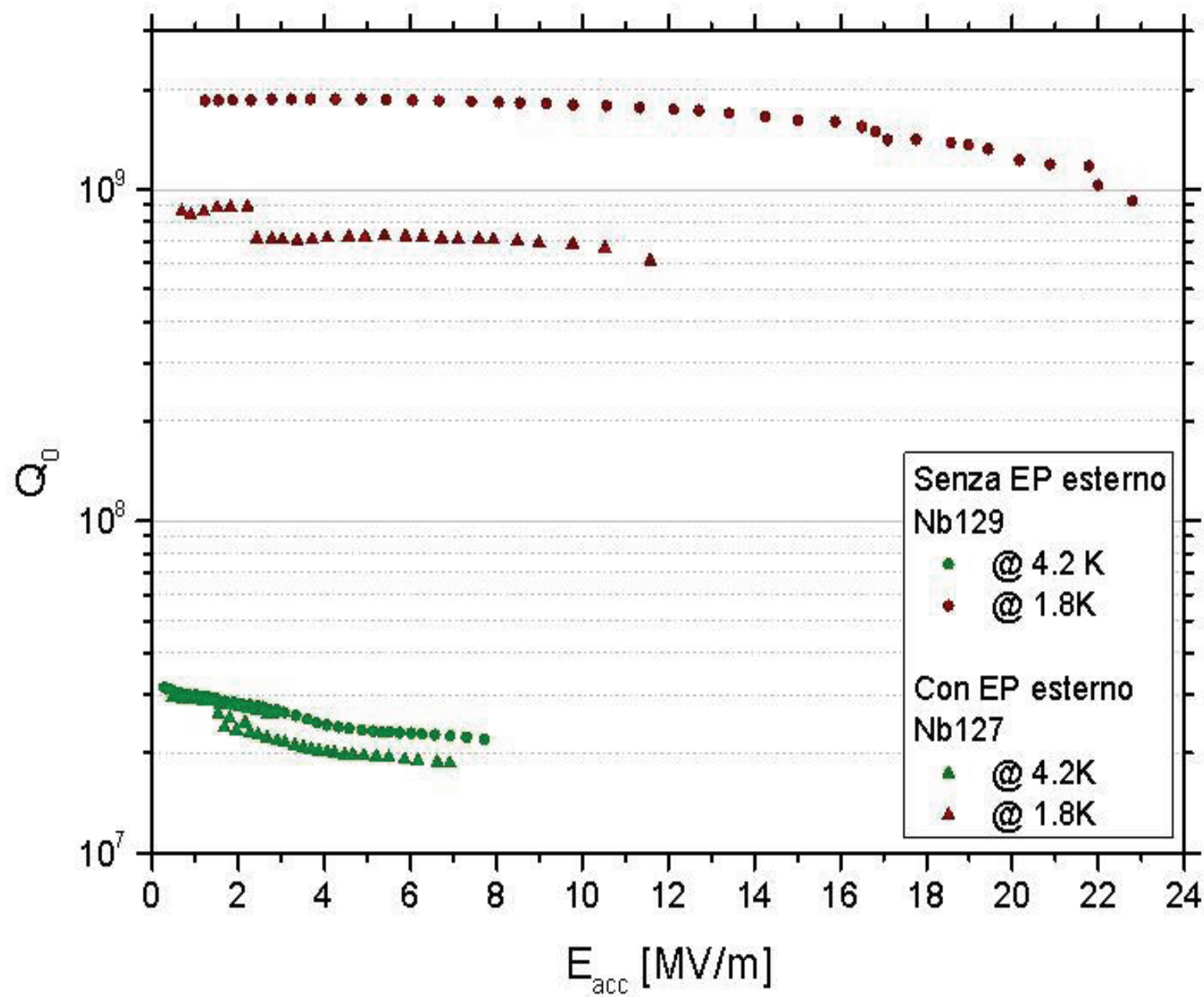
Why the **anodization** is responsible of the Q increase?

- because of the **lower  $\theta_D$**  ?
- because of the **boiling nucleation** on the external surface ?
- because the **oxide does not reflect** thermal phonons ?
- because of both ?



## Question 12:

**If we mirror finish the cavity exterior surface, will this behave as a Mirror for thermal phonons?**



## **Question 13:**

**A mirror-like external surface will  
decrease the nucleation sites for  
Helium boiling nucleation,  
promoting then  
the Liquid He Super-heating**

## Question 14:

**If liquid He Super-heating is detrimental for  $Q(E_{acc})$ ,**

**Should we worry more about that type of superheating rather than to the Nb  $H_{Sh}$ ?**

## **Question 15:**

**If the hypothesis that the external surface of a cavity is important, is the 24 hours 120°C baking effective because it changes the external surface?**

## Question 16:

**If the hypothesis that the external surface of a cavity is important, are the High Q factors got by Anna at FERMILAB due to a change of it?**

## Question 17:

Since the  $\theta_D$  of the Cu is higher than the one of Nb and in Kapitza it plays as  $\left(\frac{T}{\theta_D}\right)^3$ , does this contribute to the fact that, at 1.8K, sputtered Nb shows lower performances?

# Outer Lead coating of a sputtered Nb/Cu

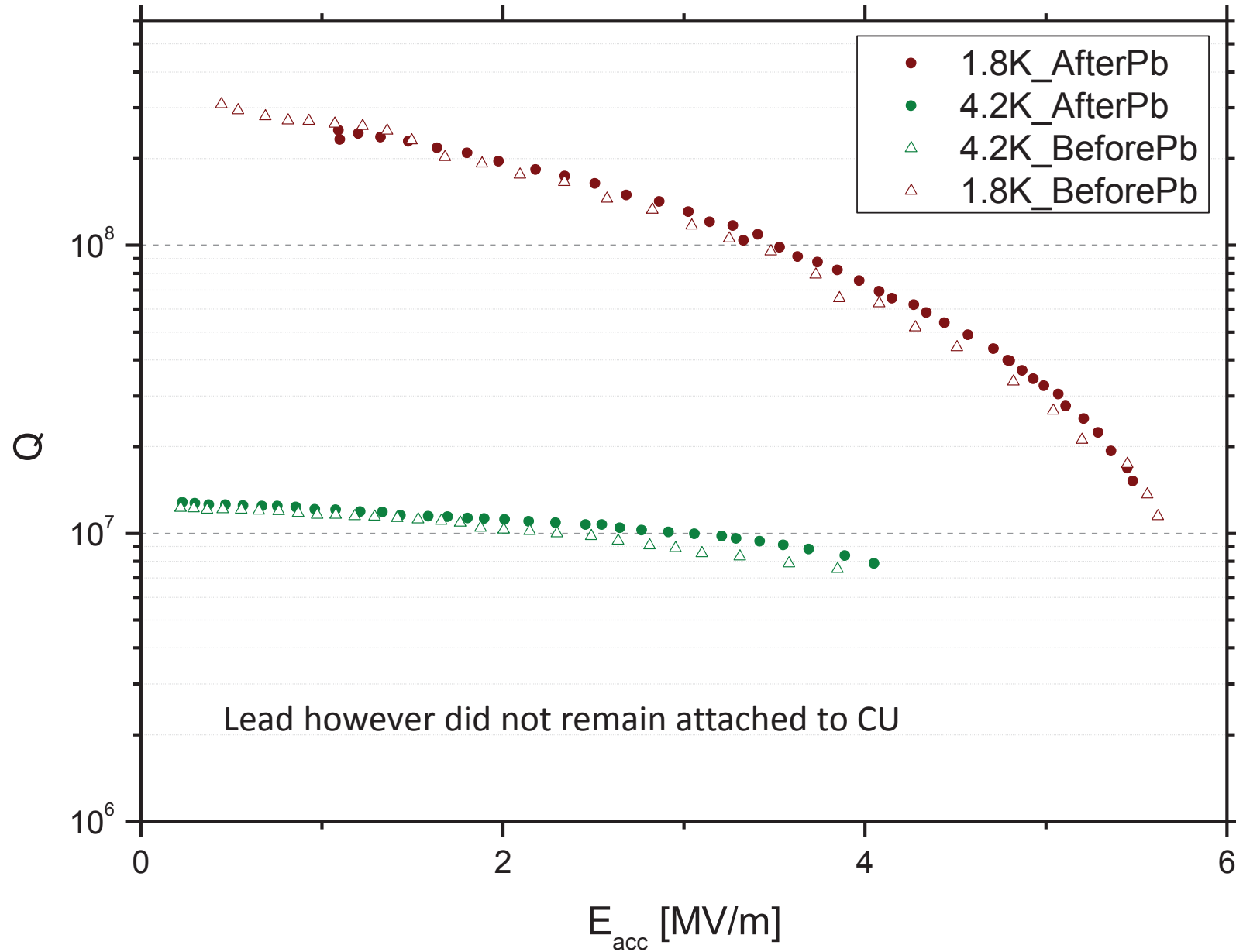
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**AFTER**



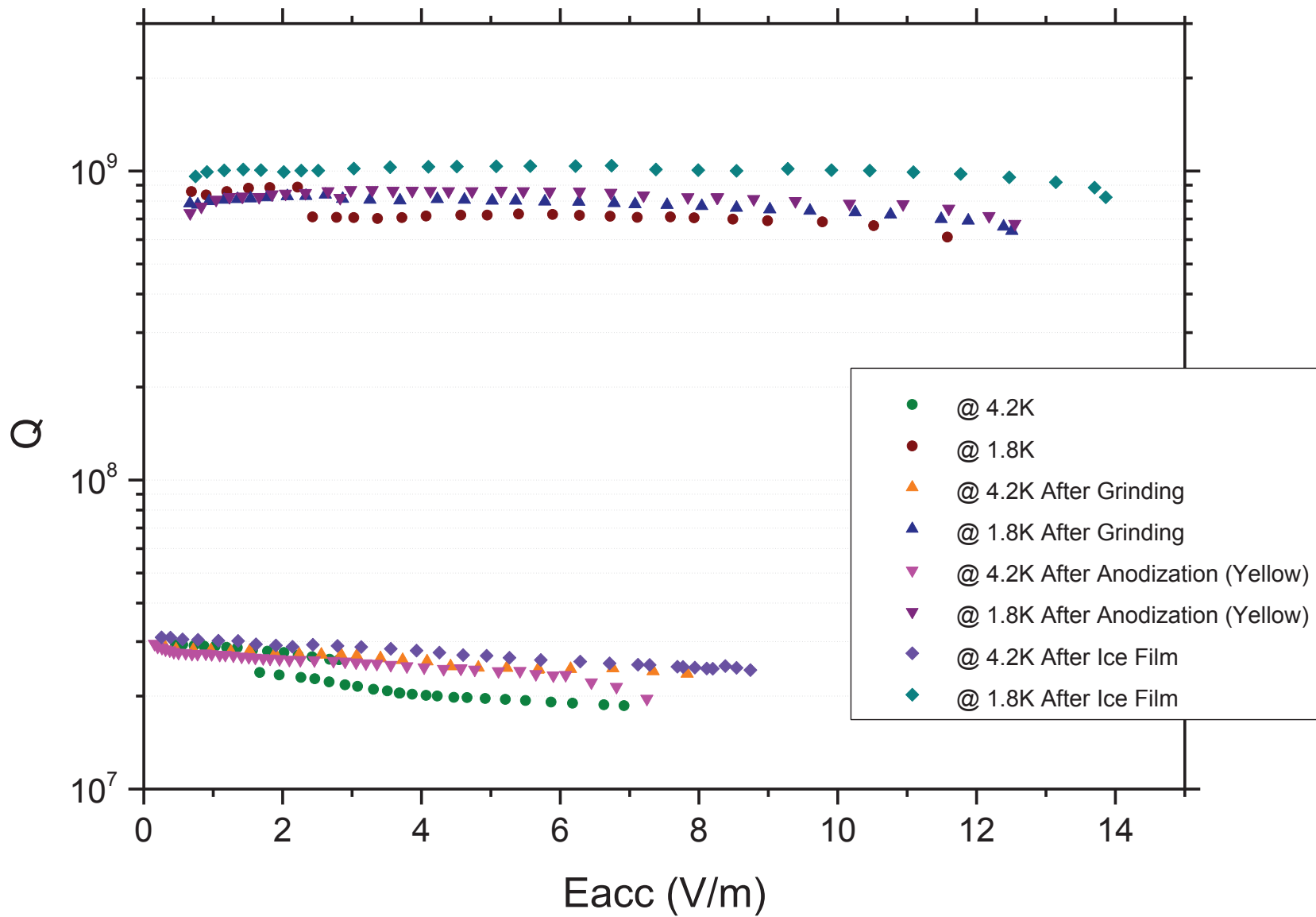
Cu1\_Comparison before&after Pb



## **Question 18:**

**Can water micro-cristallites  
on the external surface of Nb  
promote film boiling and then  
positively affect cavity  
performances?**

# Nb 127 with external EP

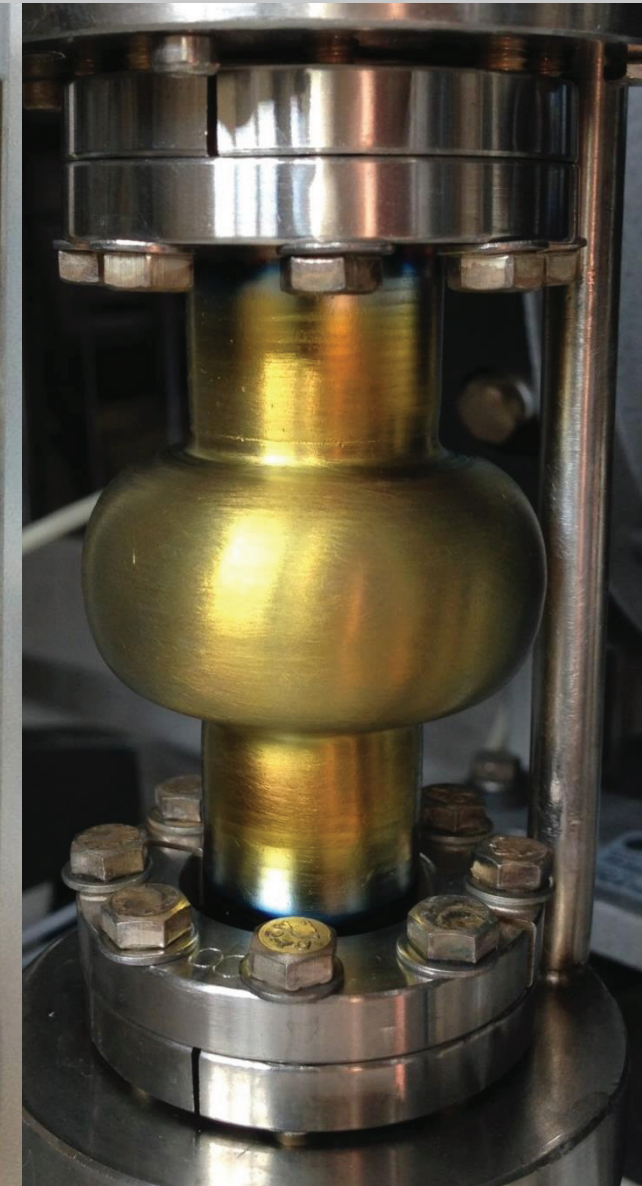
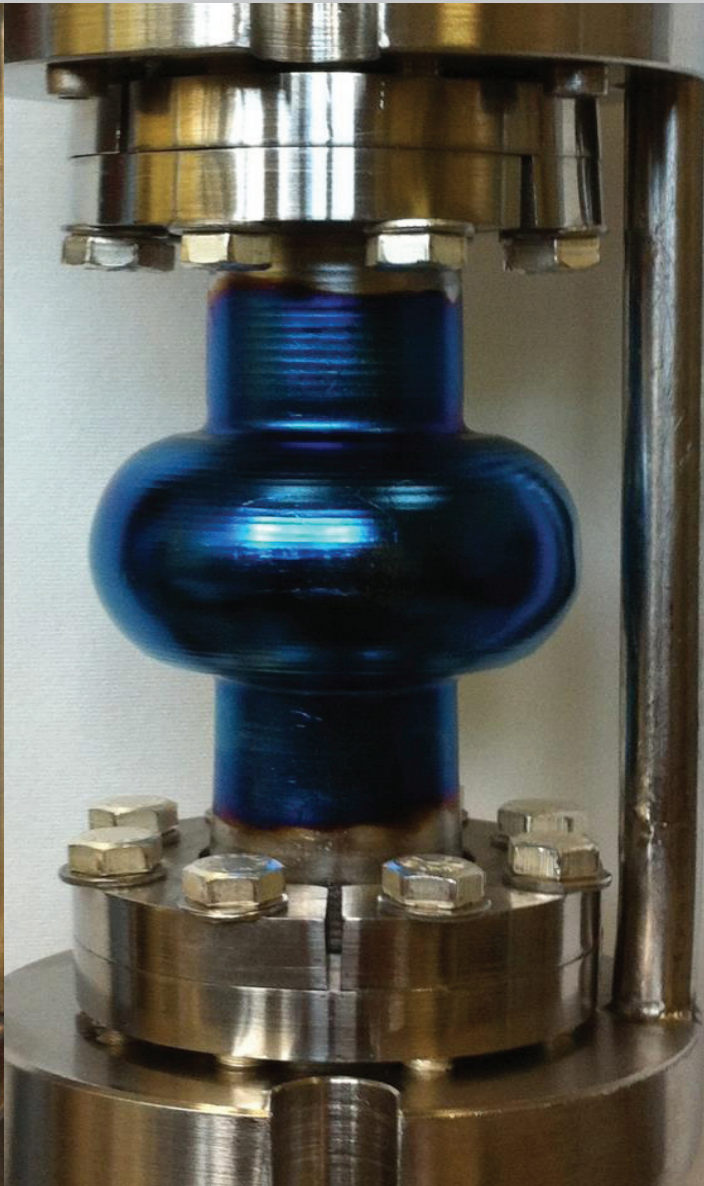
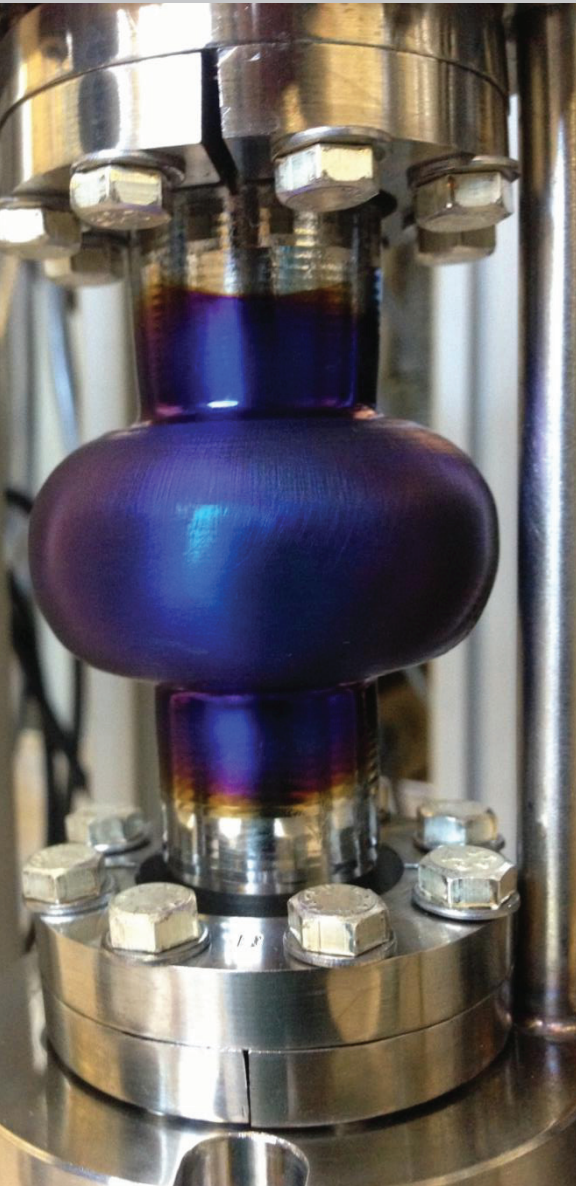


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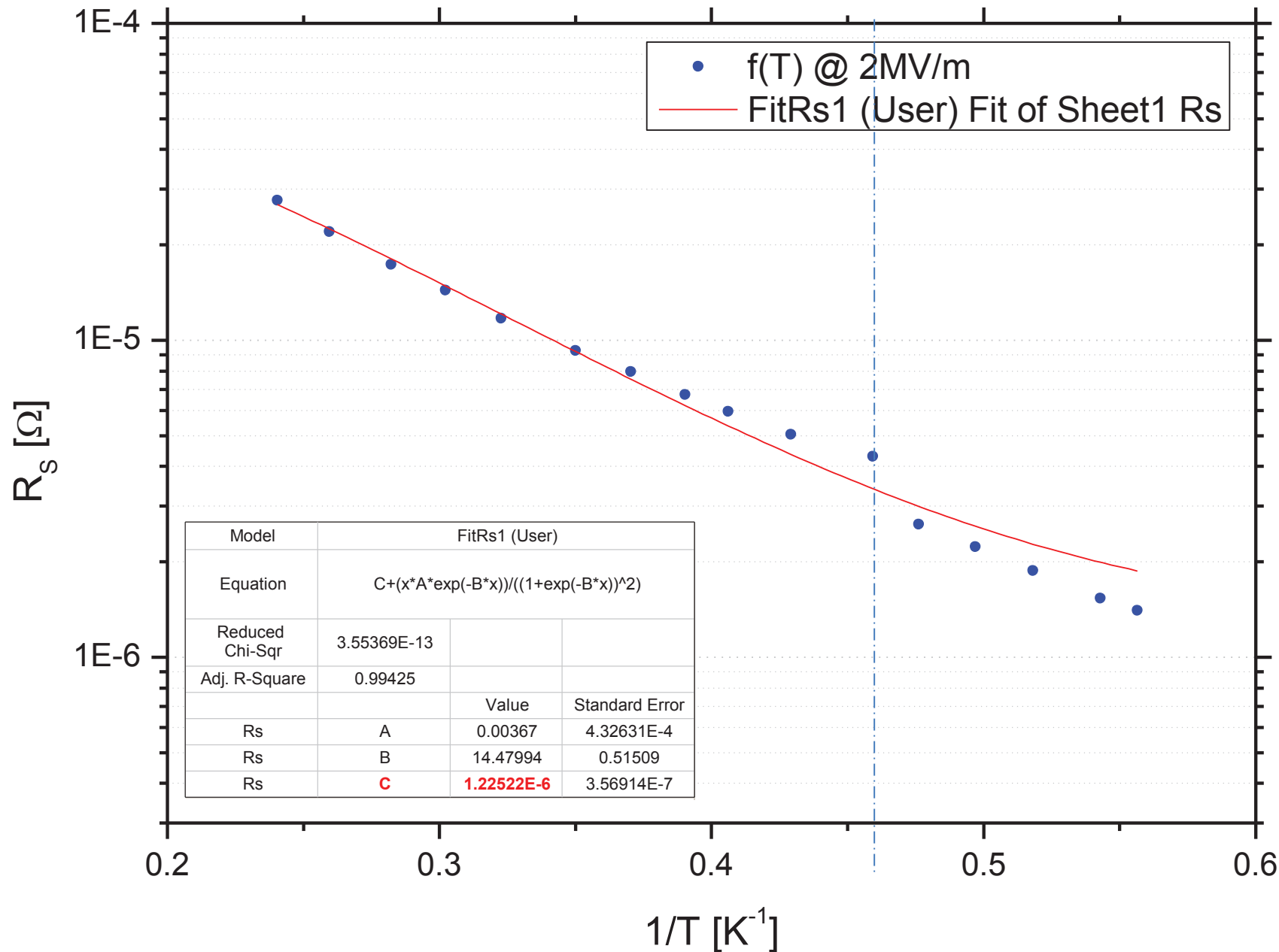
**For years we have considered a cavity as an adiabatic system made by the RF fields + Nb, because the He bath has been considered as a stable and infinite reservoir at fixed temperature.**

**Is it not the time now to consider instead the adiabatic system composed by RF fields + Nb + Liquid Helium ?**

# **Our Summer 2013 fashion collection**



# $R_s$ Nb 122 After ATM Annealing



## Question 20:

**THE END**

**(But is it really the end?  
Or **just the beginning?**)**