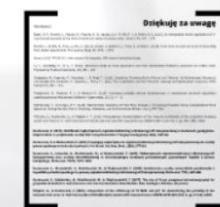


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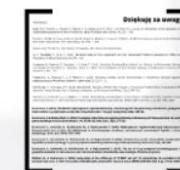
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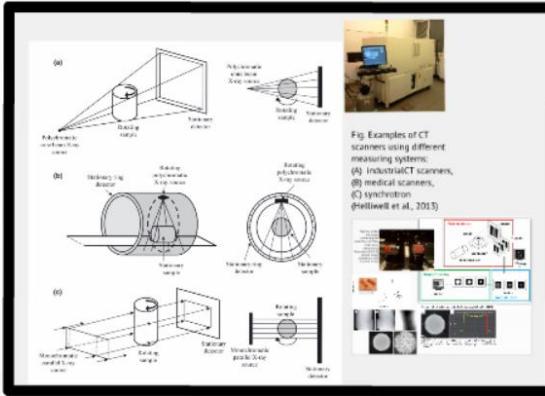
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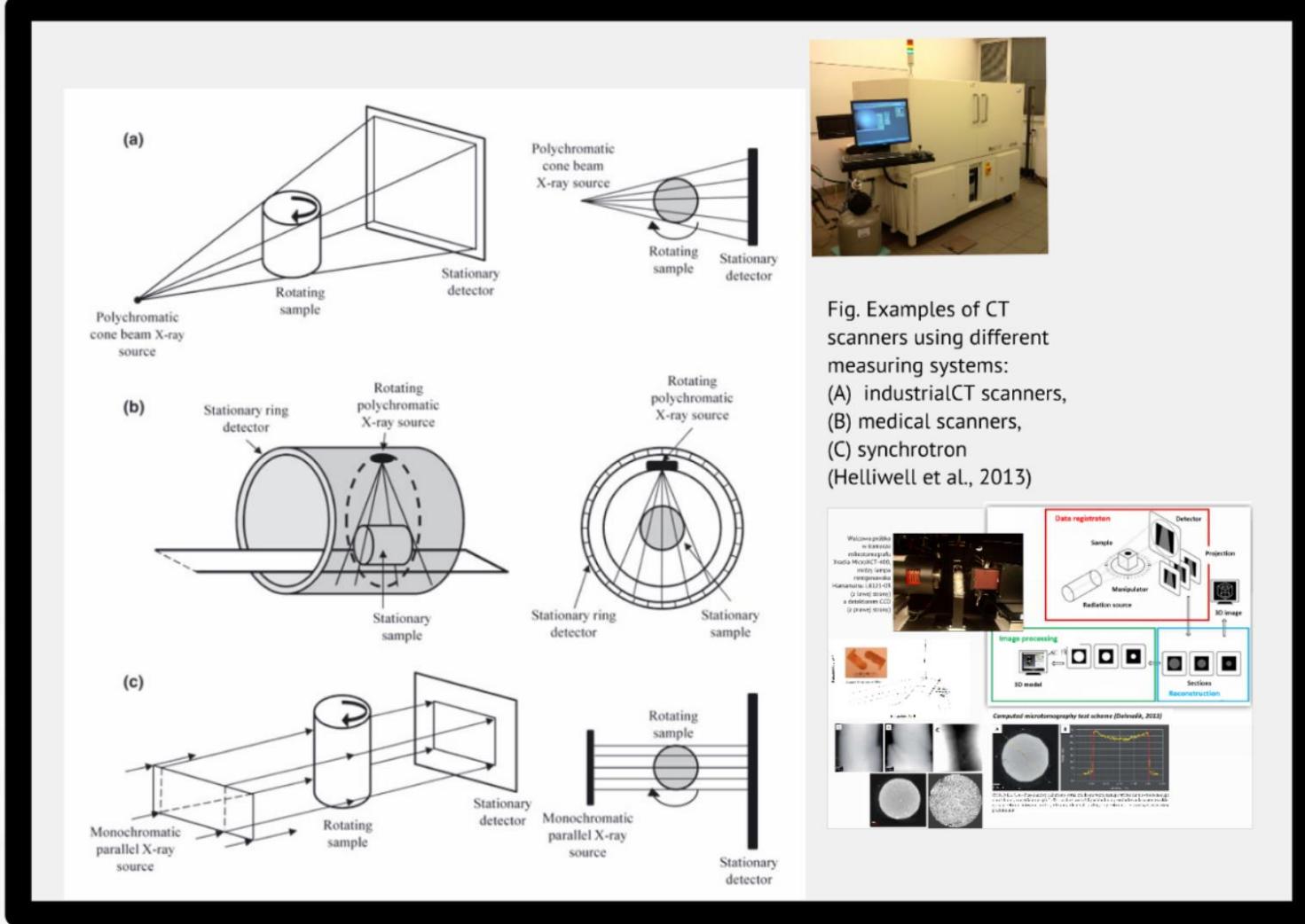
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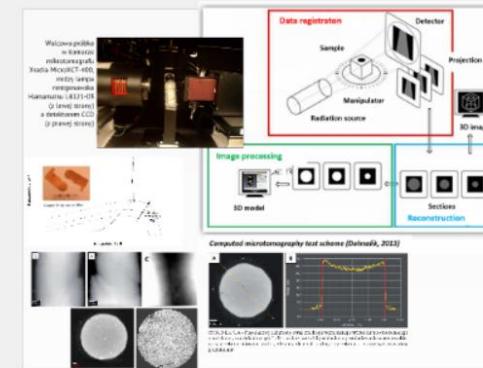
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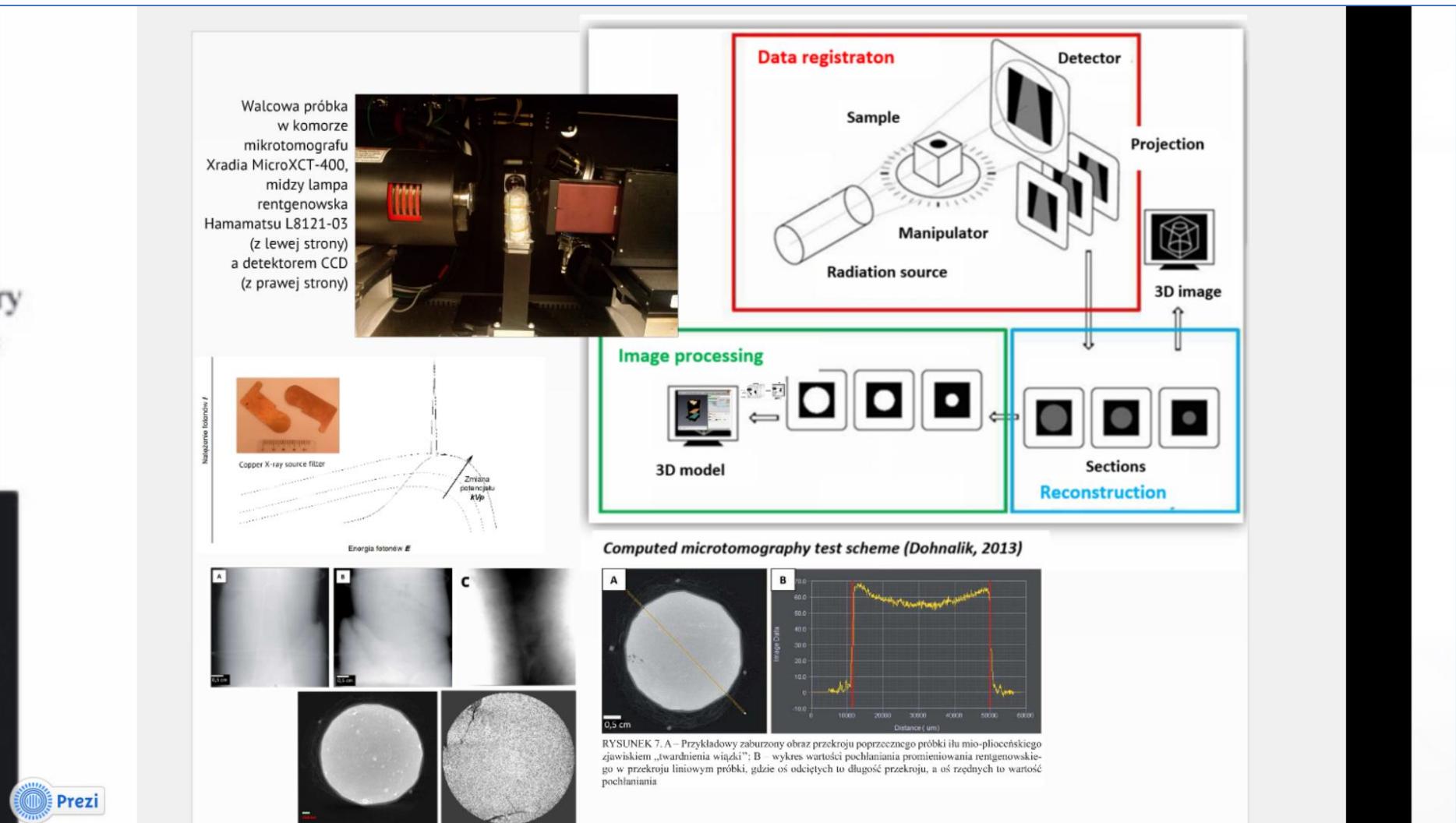
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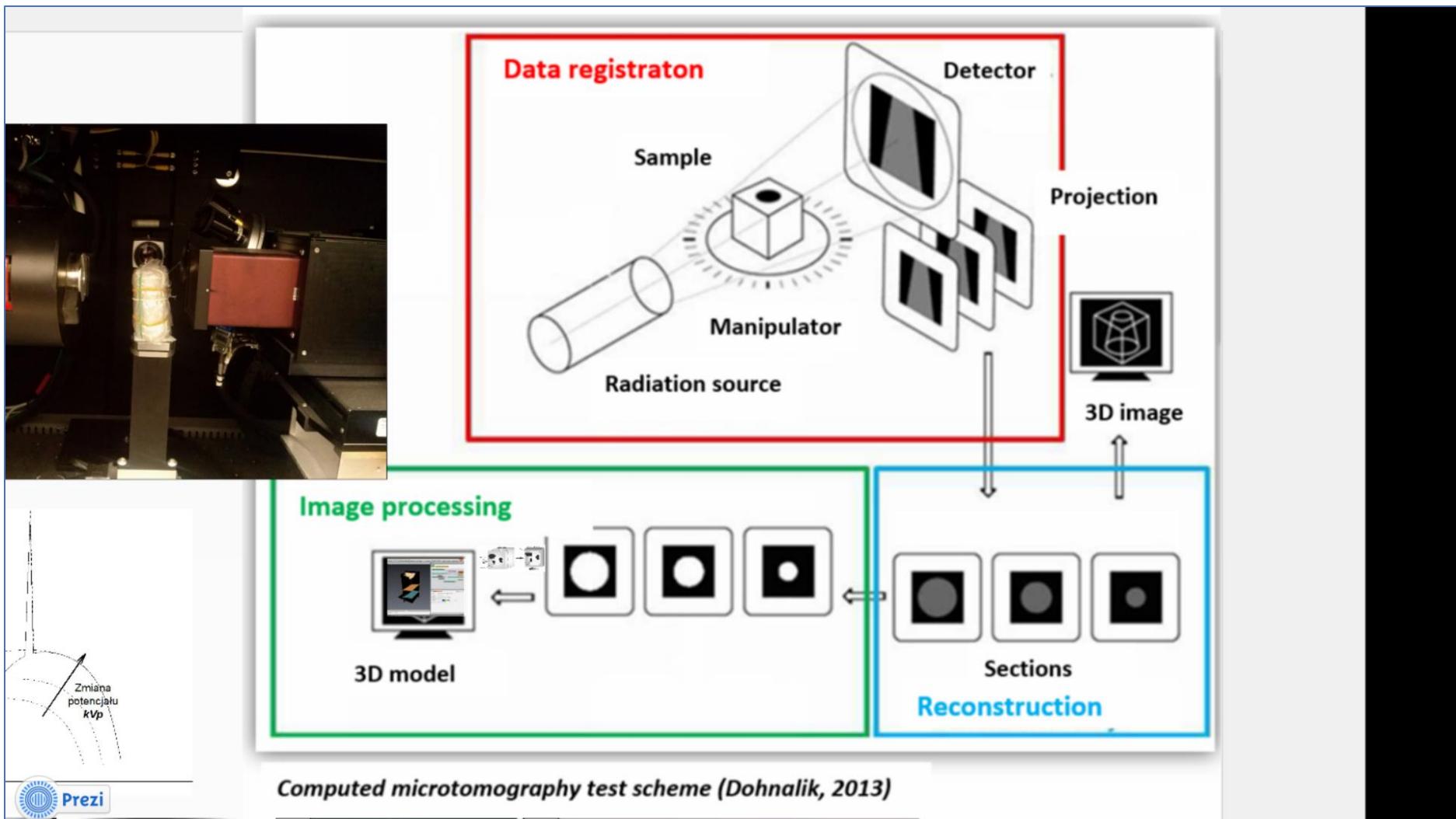
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 (Helliwell et al., 2013)**







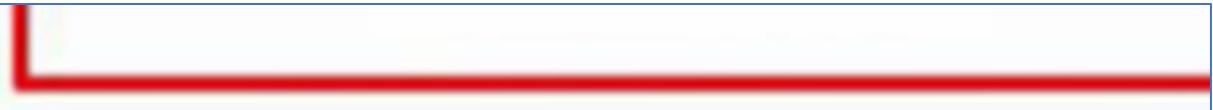
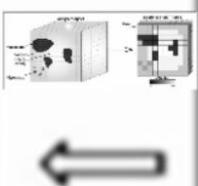
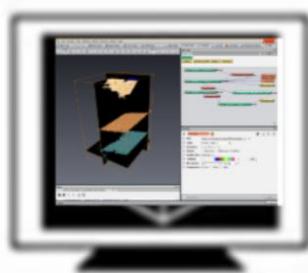
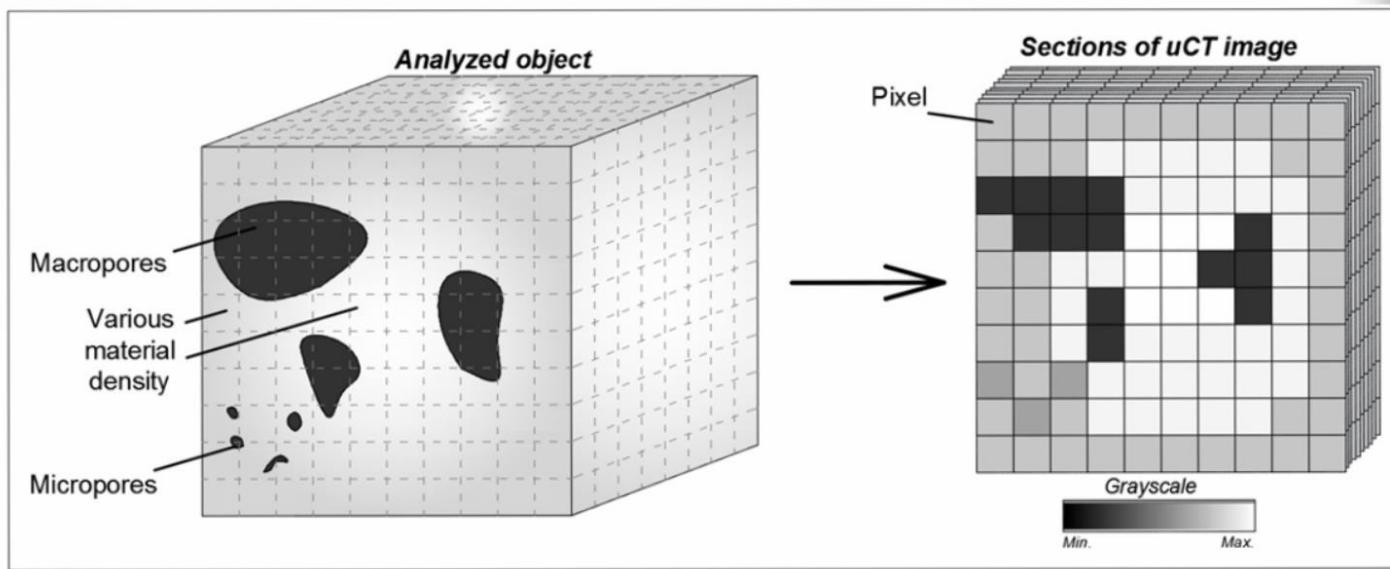
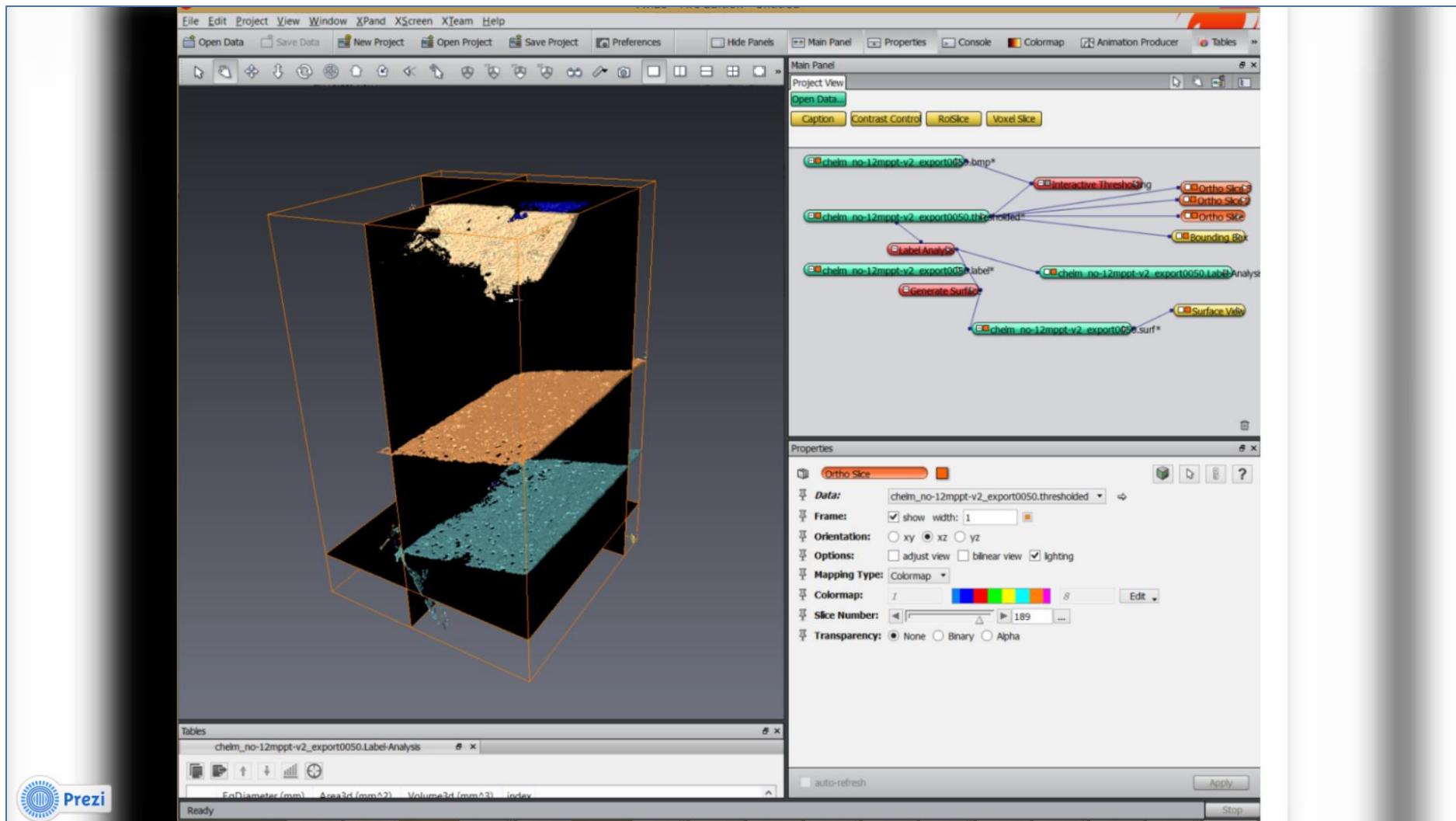


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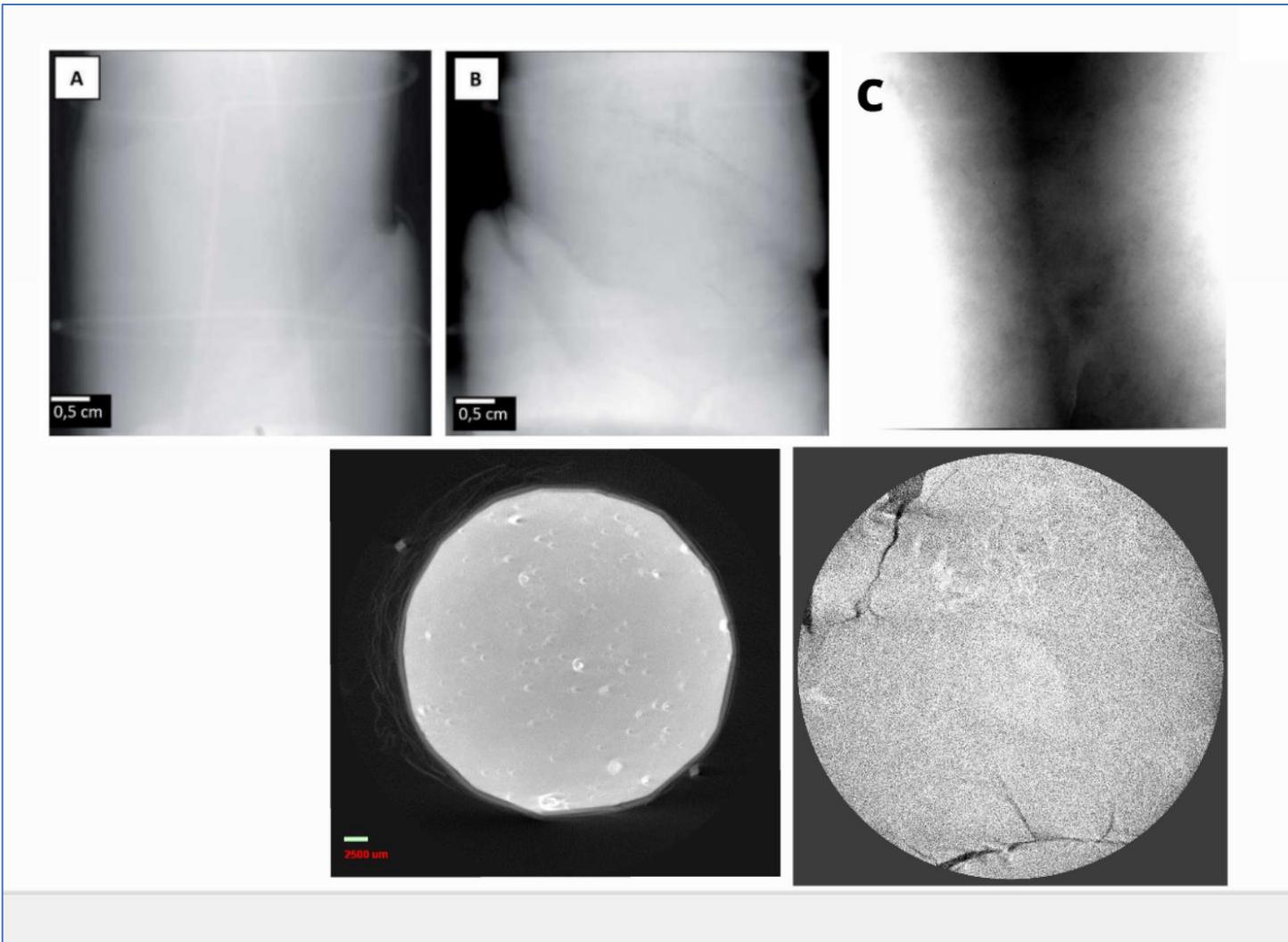
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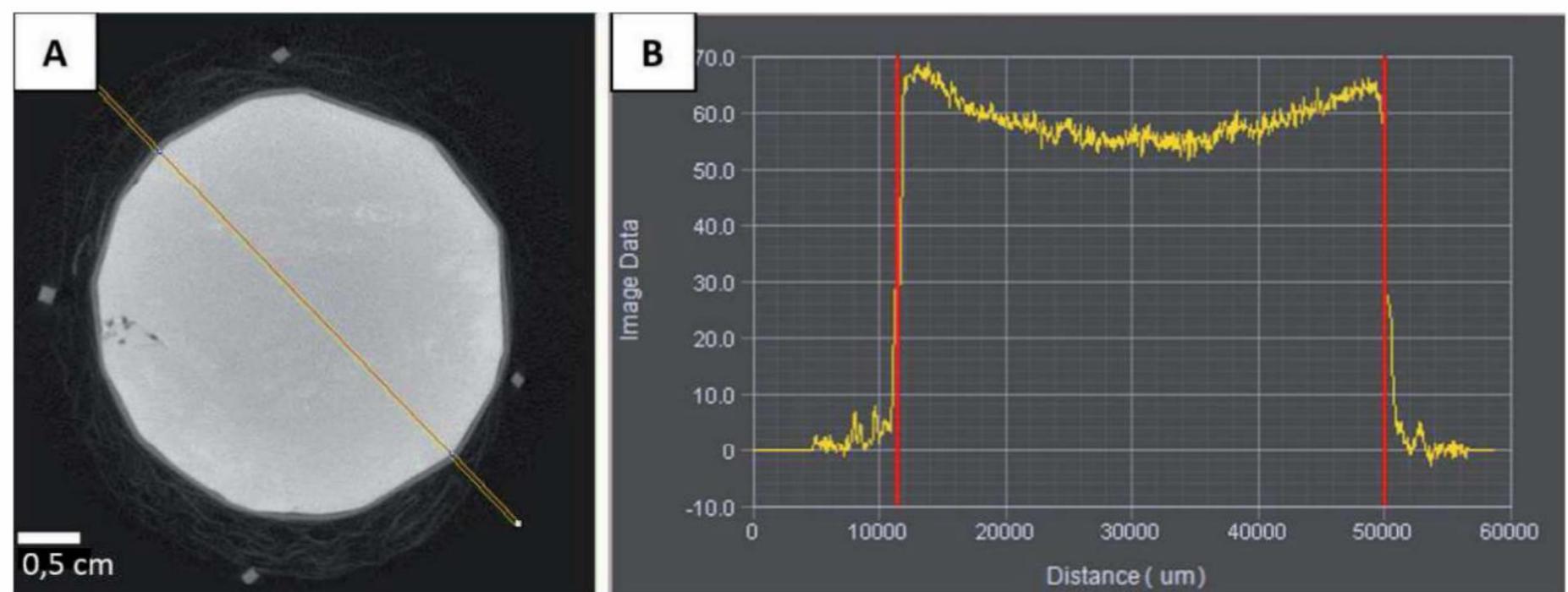


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In the present paper quantitative characterization of the structure of calibration model (phantom) for b-matrix spatial distribution diffusion tensor imaging (BSD-DTI) scanners is addressed. The aim of this study was to verify manufacturing assumptions of materials structure, since such phantoms are used for BSD-DTI calibration directly after manufacturing. Visualization of the phantoms' structure was achieved by means of optical microscopy and high-resolution computed microtomography (μ CT). Based on μ CT images a numerical model of materials structure was developed for further quantitative analysis. 3D image characterization was performed to determine crucial structural parameters of the phantom: porosity, uniformity and distribution of equivalent diameter of capillaries bundles. Additionally calculations of hypothetical flow streamlines were also performed based on the developed numerical model. The results obtained within this study can be further used in calibration of DTI-BST measurements. However it was also found, that the structure of the phantom exhibits some flaws and discrepancies from assumed geometry, which can be influential for BSD-DTI calibration.

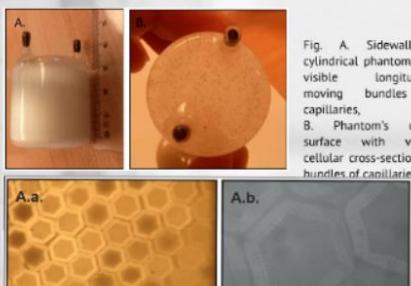


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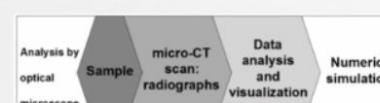
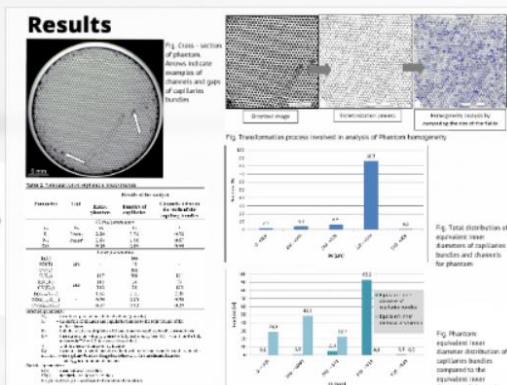


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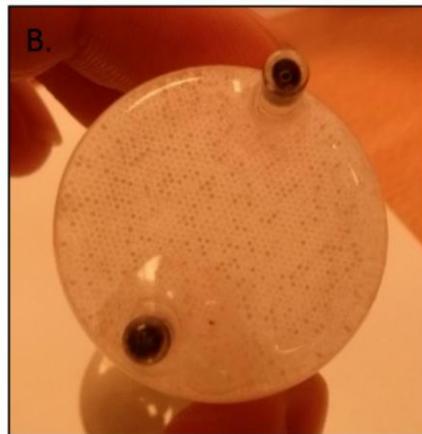


Fig. A. Sidewall of cylindrical phantom with visible longitudinal moving bundles of capillaries,
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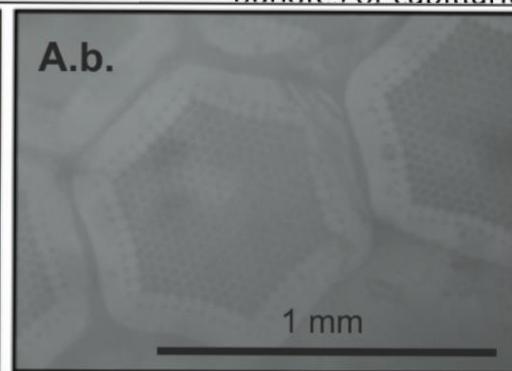
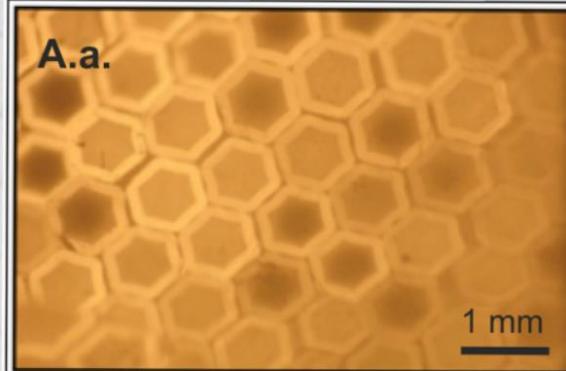


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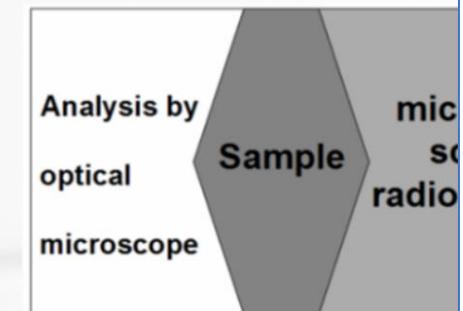


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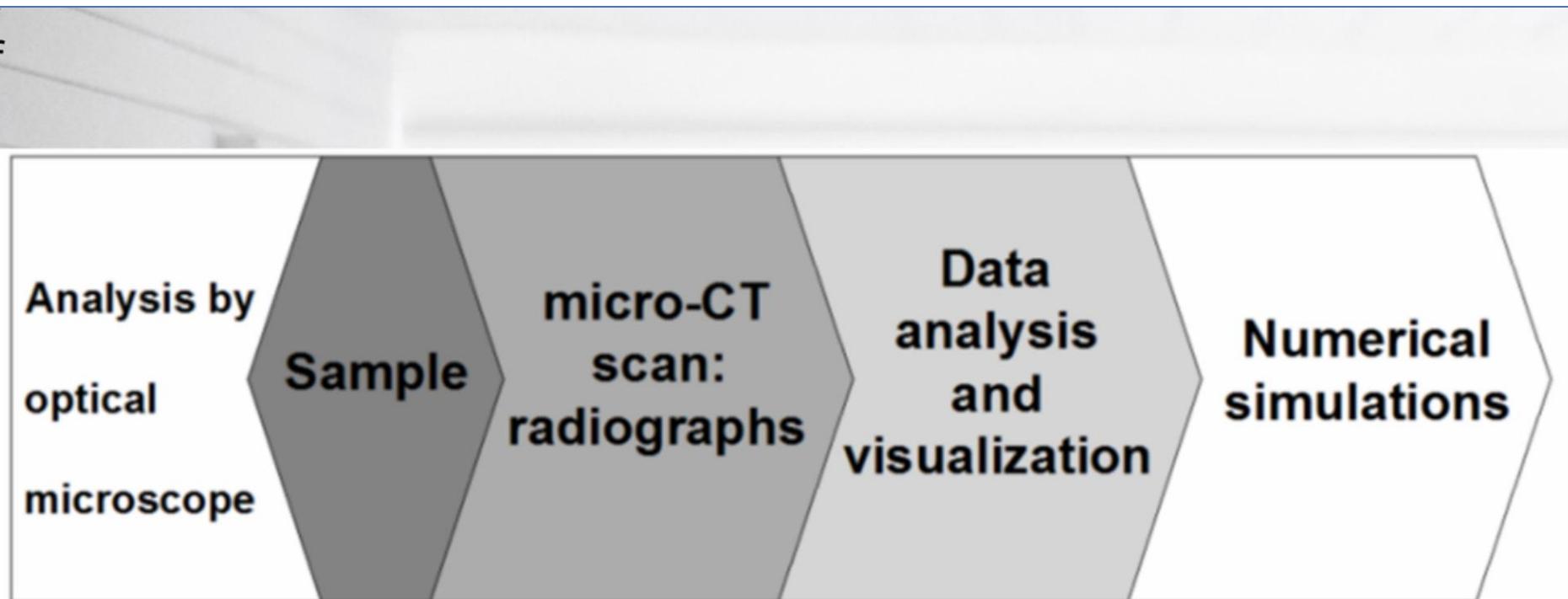


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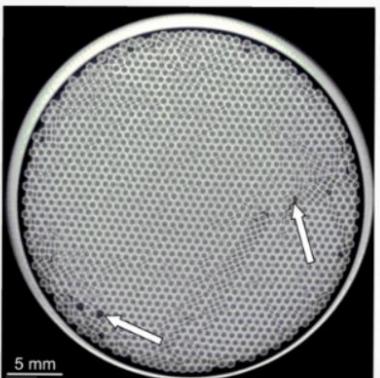


Fig. Cross - section of phantom. Arrows indicate examples of channels and gaps of capillaries bundles

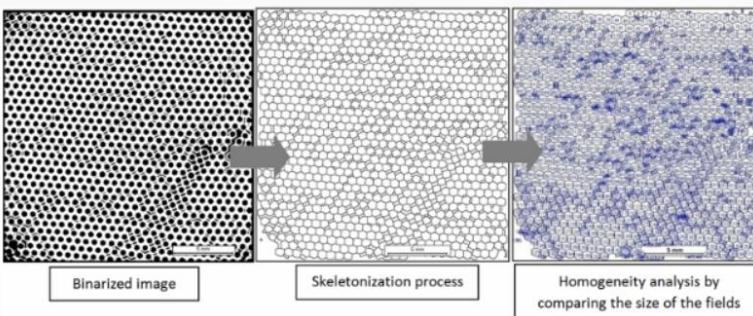


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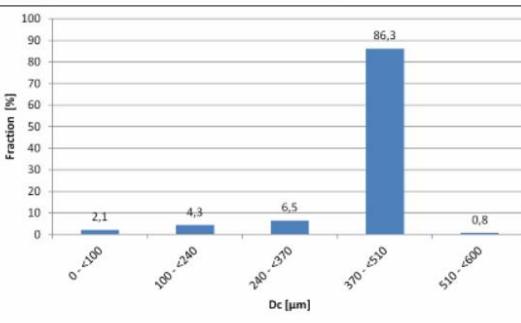


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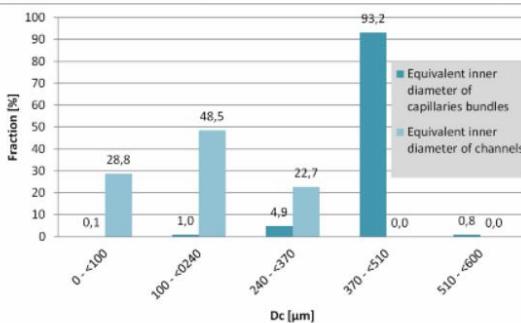


Fig. Phantom: equivalent inner diameter distribution of capillaries bundles compared to the equivalent inner diameter of channels

Table 2. Parameterization of phantom microstructure

Parameter	Unit	Results of the analysis		
		Entire phantom	Bundles of capillaries	Channels between the walls of the capillary bundles
<i>Global parameters</i>				
V _v	%	38	35	3
S _v	1/mm ²	2.29	1.96	0.32
N _a	1/mm ² ²	2.85	1.98	0.87
DA	-	0.89	0.89	0.90
<i>Local parameters</i>				
E(T)		166		
SD(T)	μm	-	18	-
CV(T)		108		
E(D _c)		437	508	191
SD(D _c)	μm	145	14	77
CV(D _c)		340	28	403
E(d _{max} /d _{min})		1.34	1.11	2.01
SD(d _{max} /d _{min})	-	0.50	0.03	0.59
CV(d _{max} /d _{min})		0.37	0.02	0.29

Structural parameters:

- V_v – the ratio of pore volume to total volume (porosity)
- S_v – the surface of channels and capillaries bundles to the total volume of the analyzed area
- N_a – both the relative multiplicity of channels and/or capillary bundles per unit area
- DA – the degree of anisotropy, where for fully isotropic system DA = 0, and for the fully anisotropic DA = 1 (<http://www.skyseen.be/>)
- T – wall thickness of the capillary bundles
- D_c – the equivalent inner diameters (without walls) of channels and/or capillary bundles
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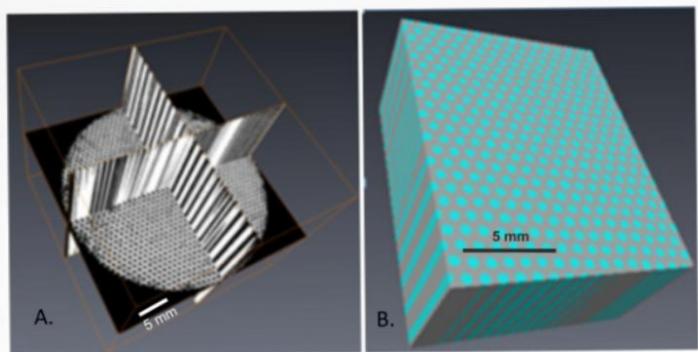


Fig. Phantom visualization: A - binarized cross-sections;
B - capillaries without deleted channels

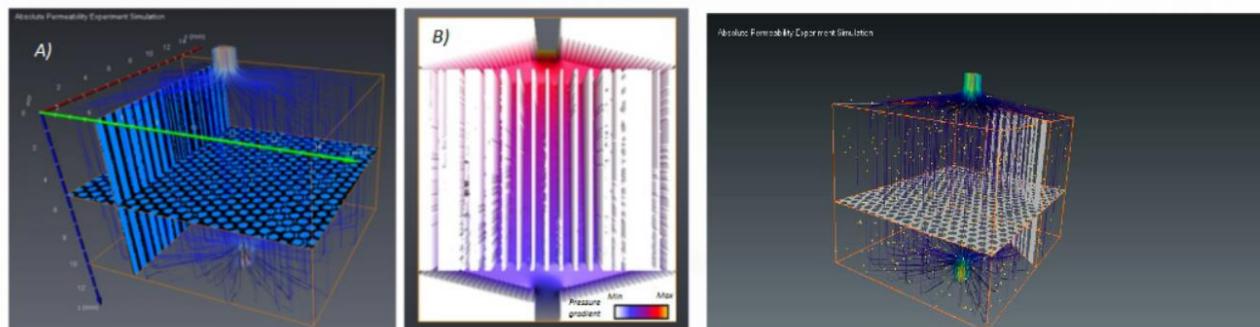
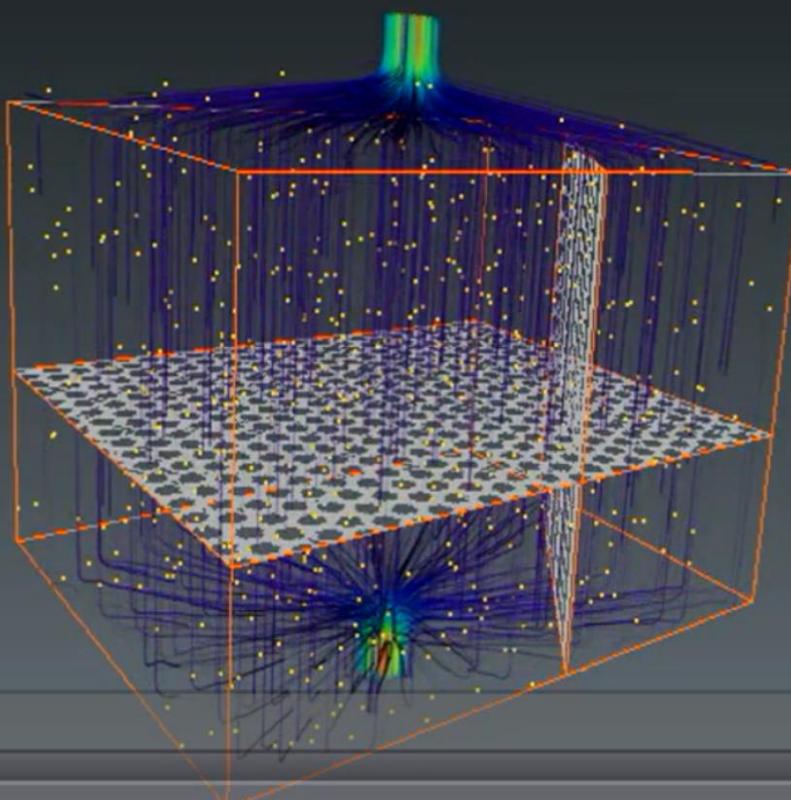


Fig. Visualization of A – streamlines, B - pressure gradient in phantom

Absolute Permeability Experiment Simulation



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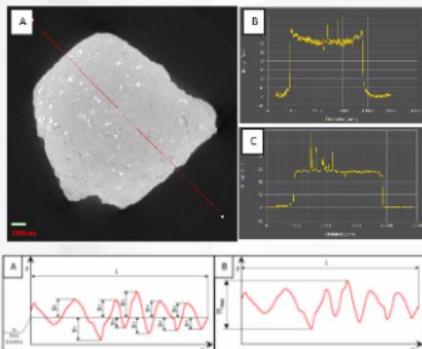
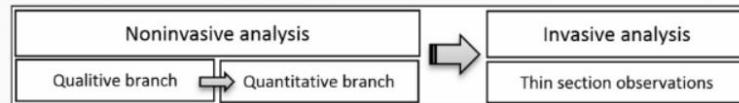
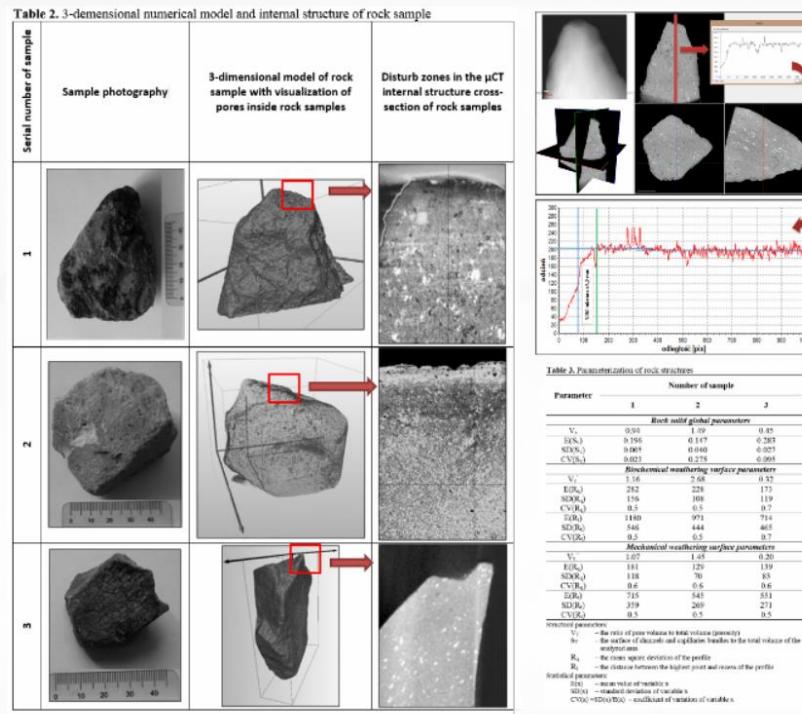
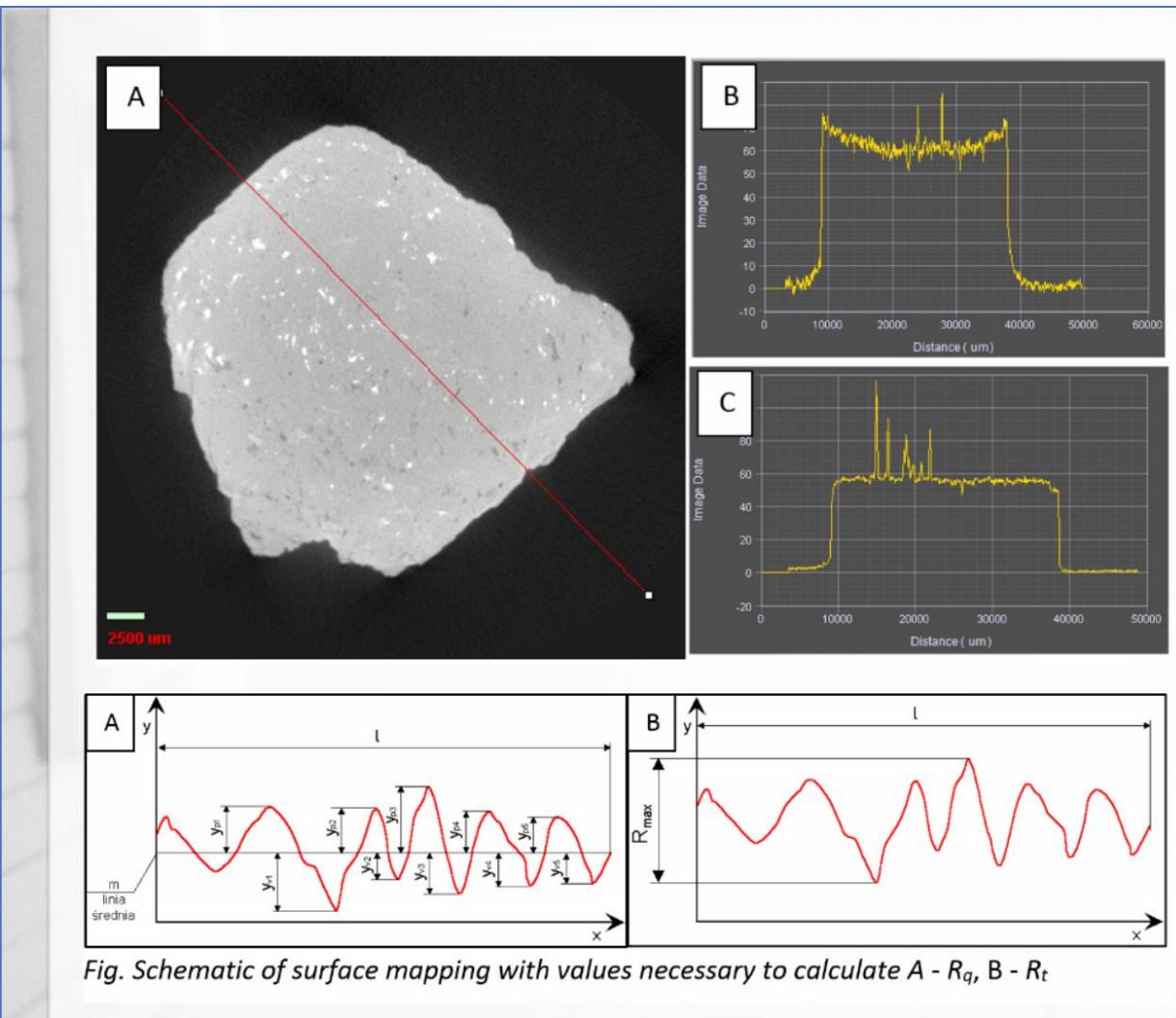
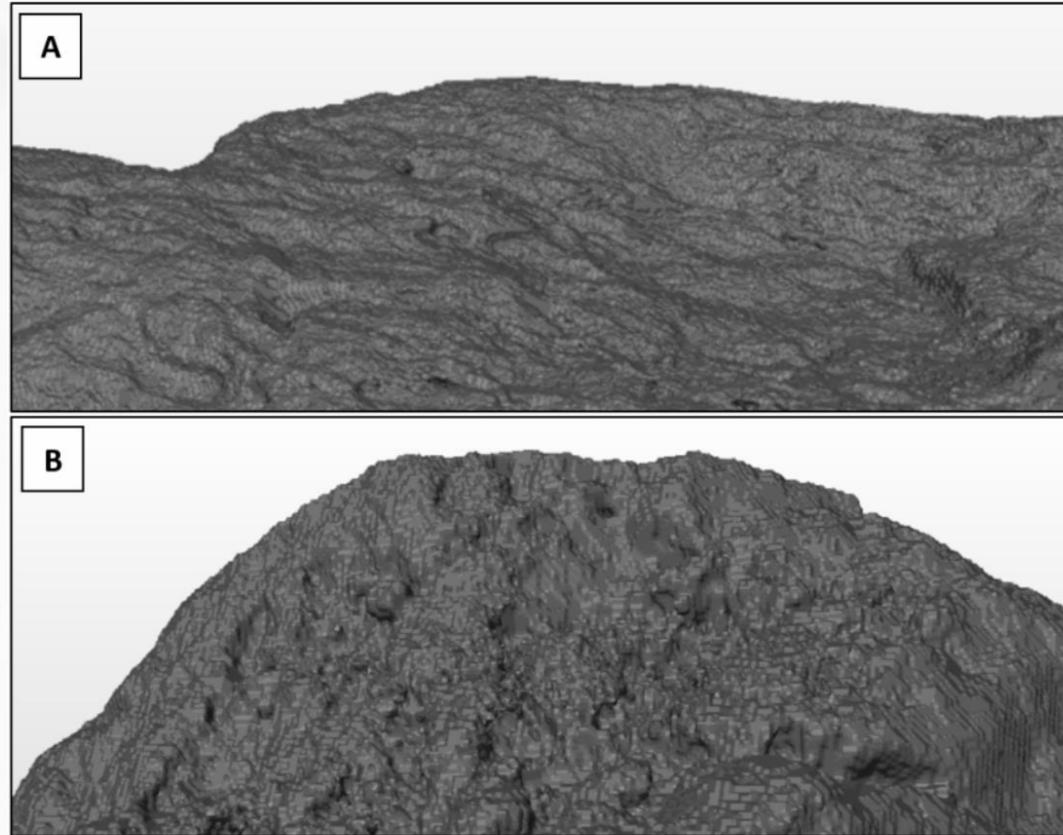


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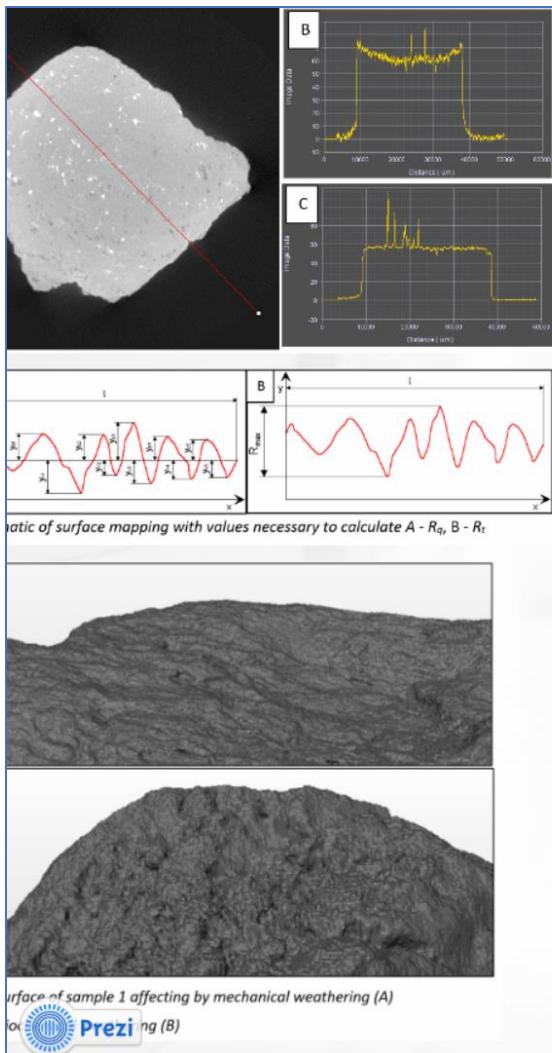


Table 2. 3-dementional numerical model and internal structure of rock sample

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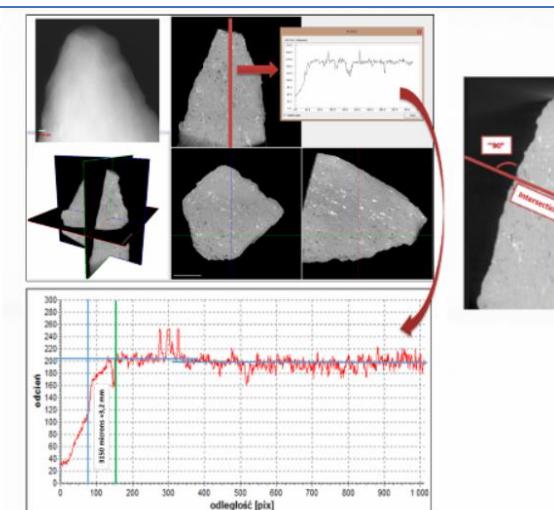


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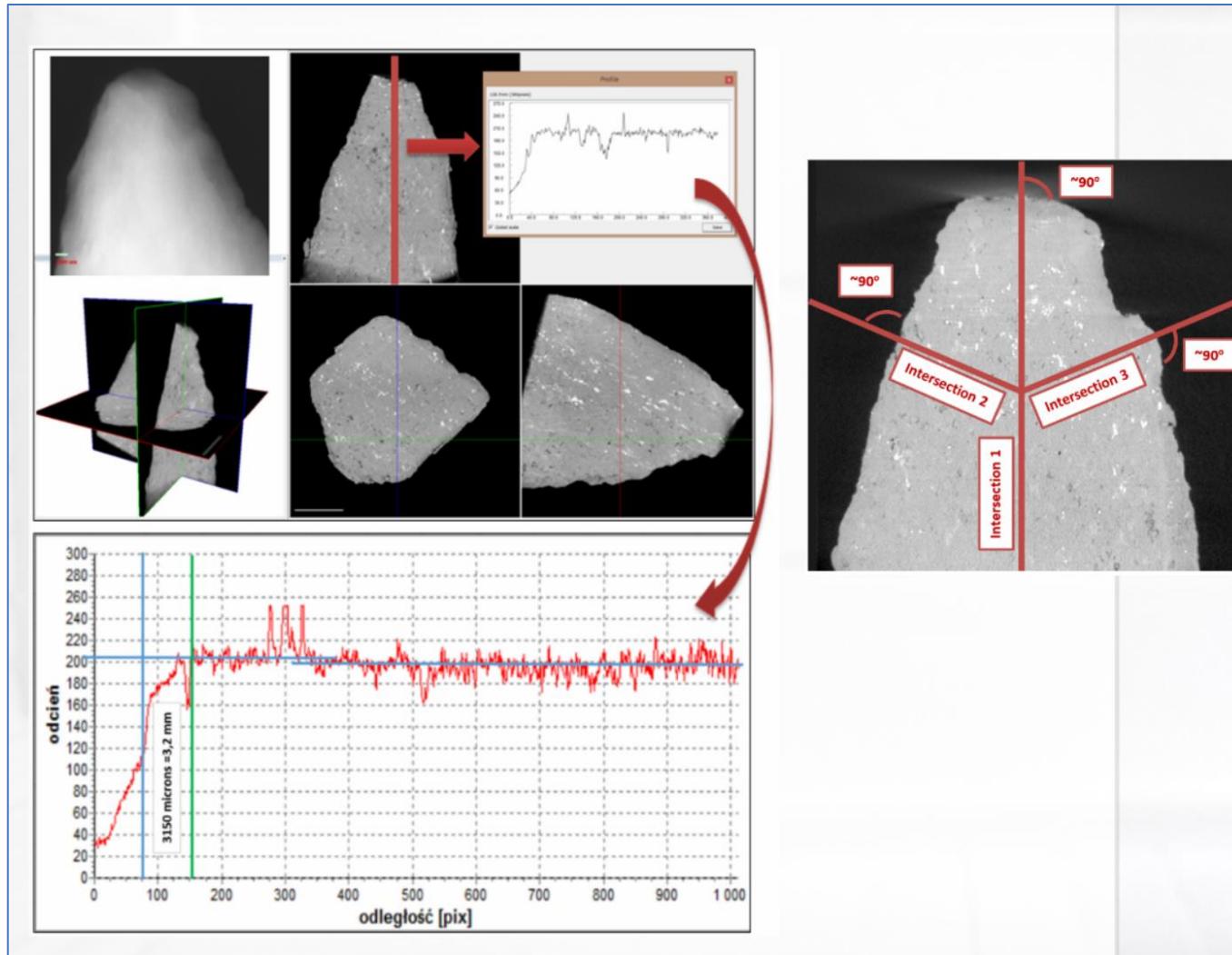


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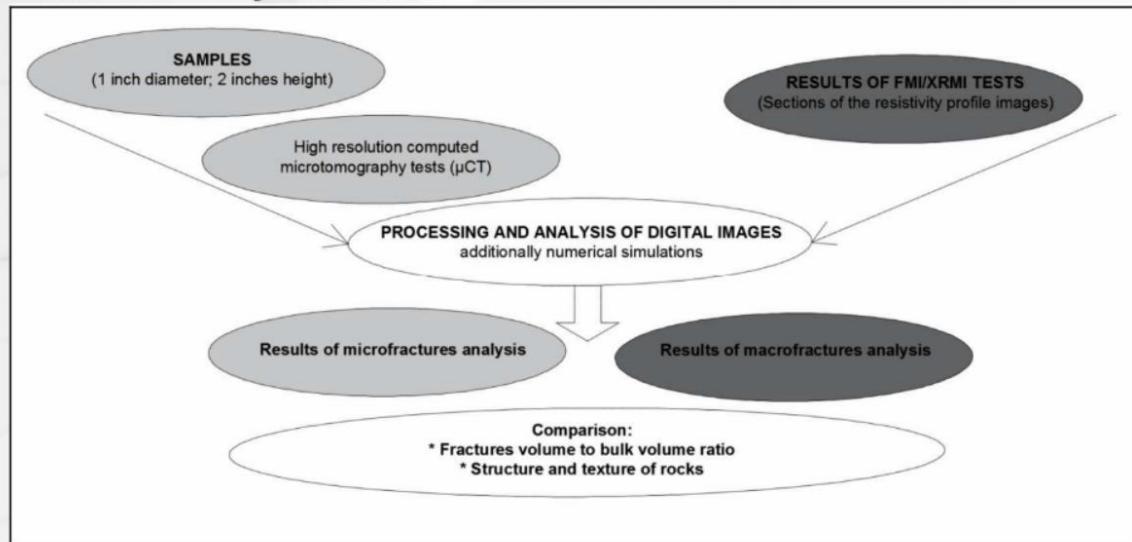


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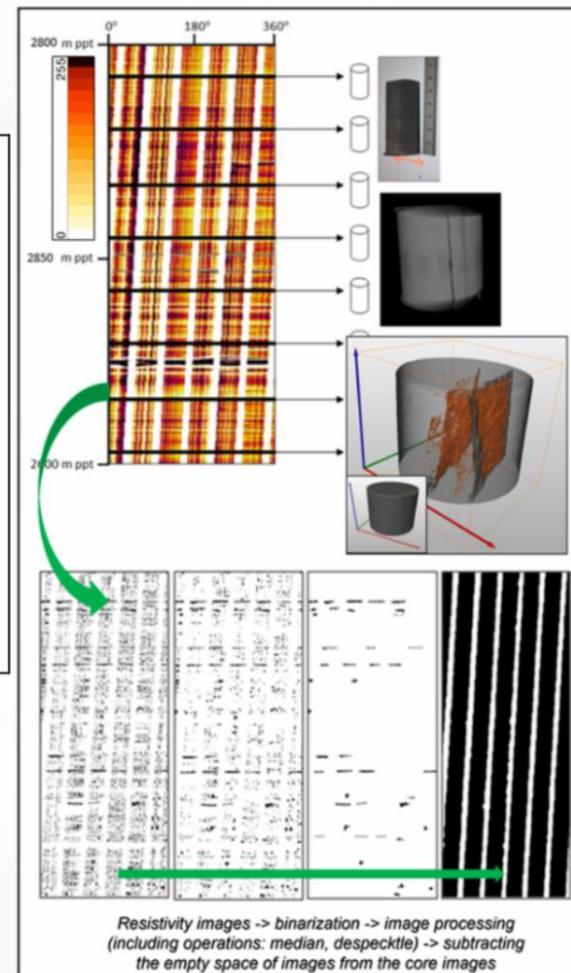
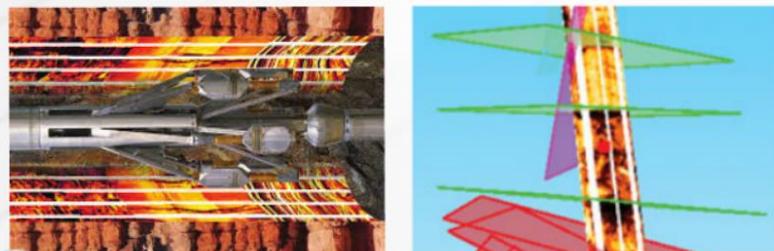


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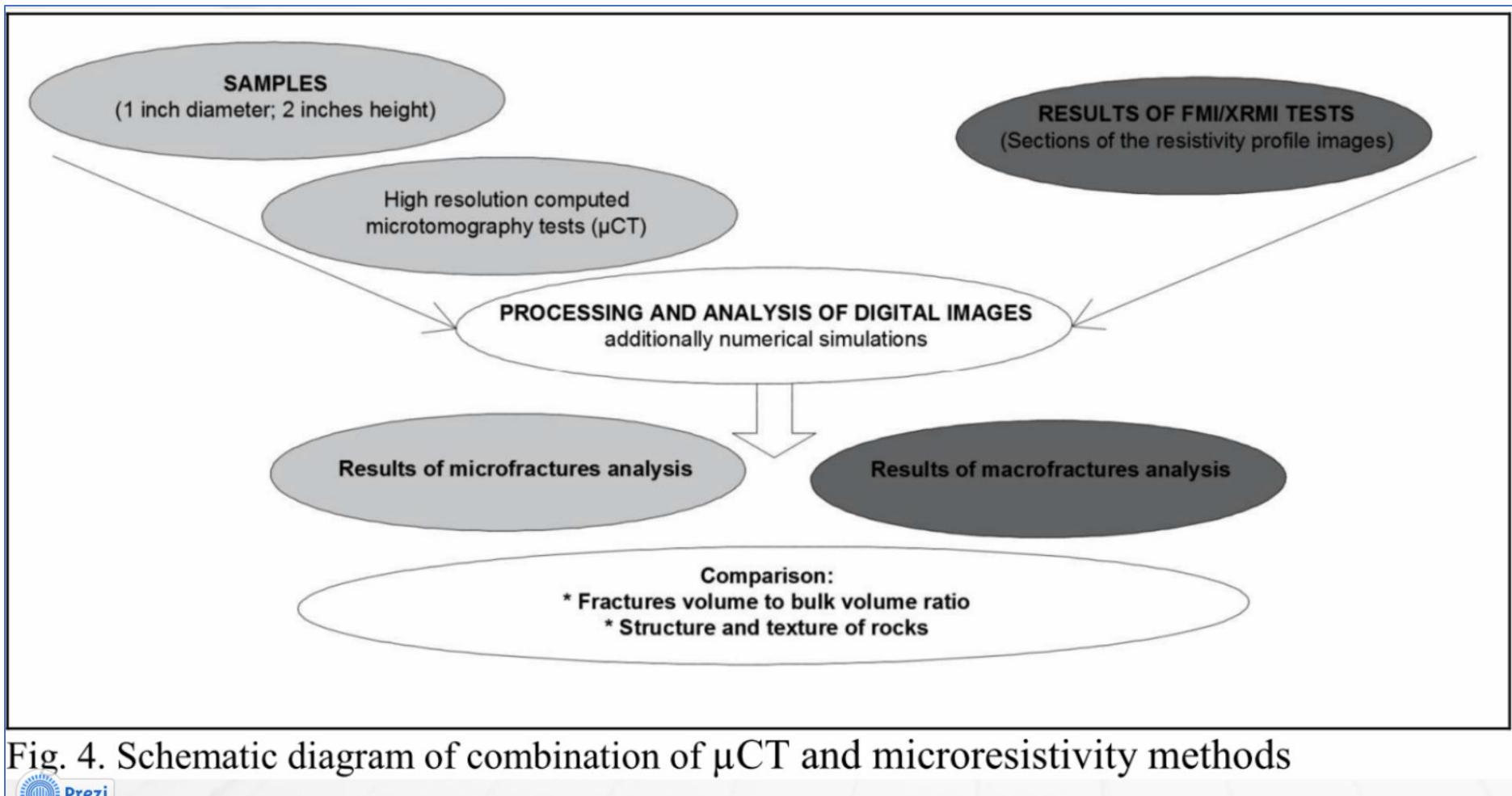


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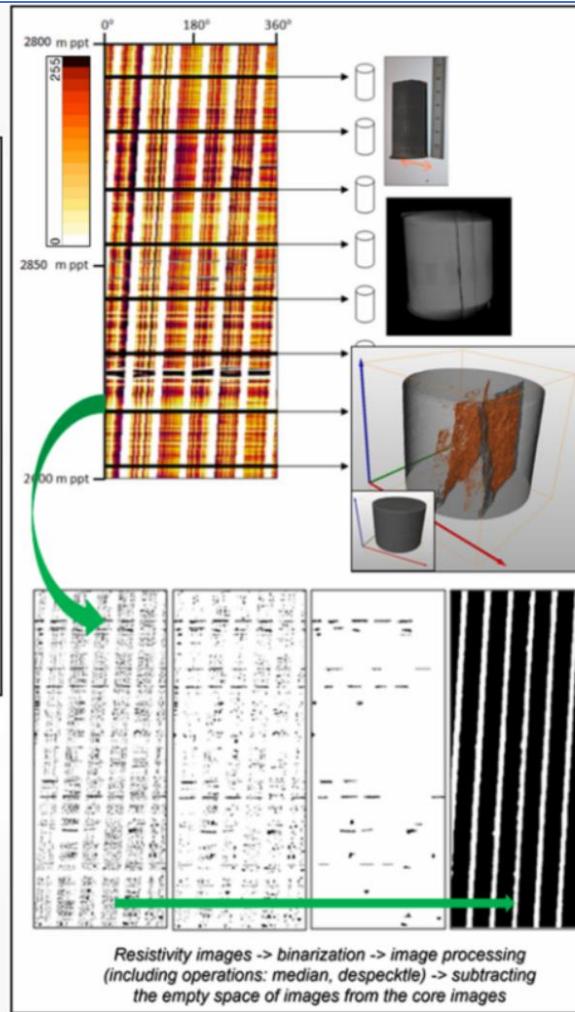


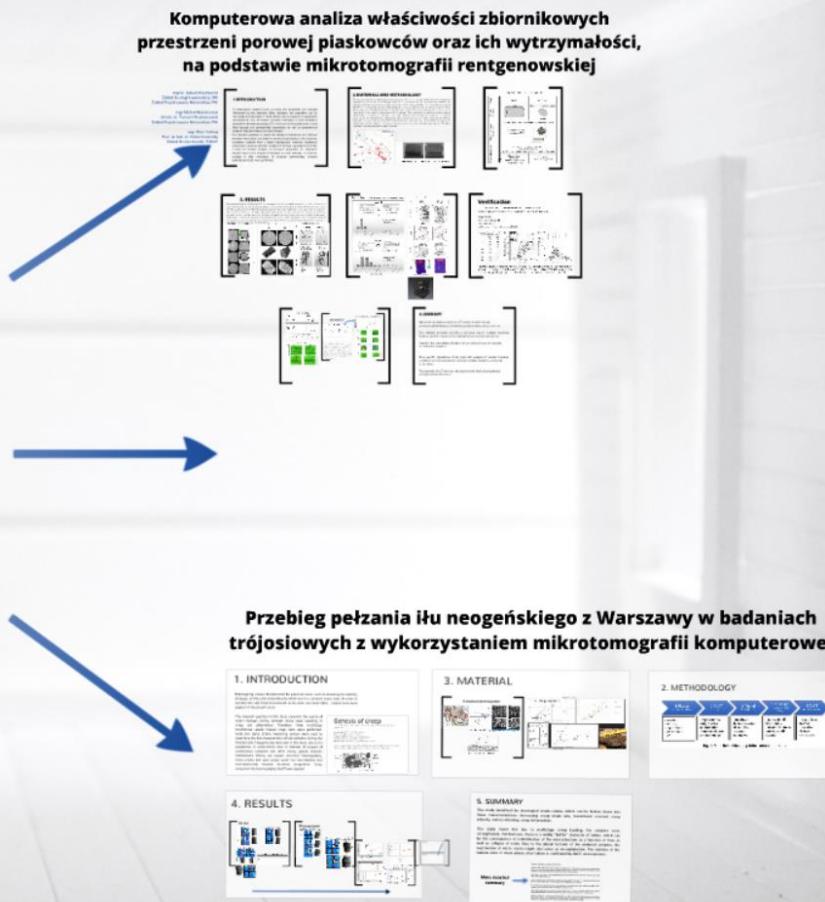
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Przegląd możliwości i możliwości zastosowania mikrotomografii rentgenowskiej w geoinżynierii: przykład Warszawy

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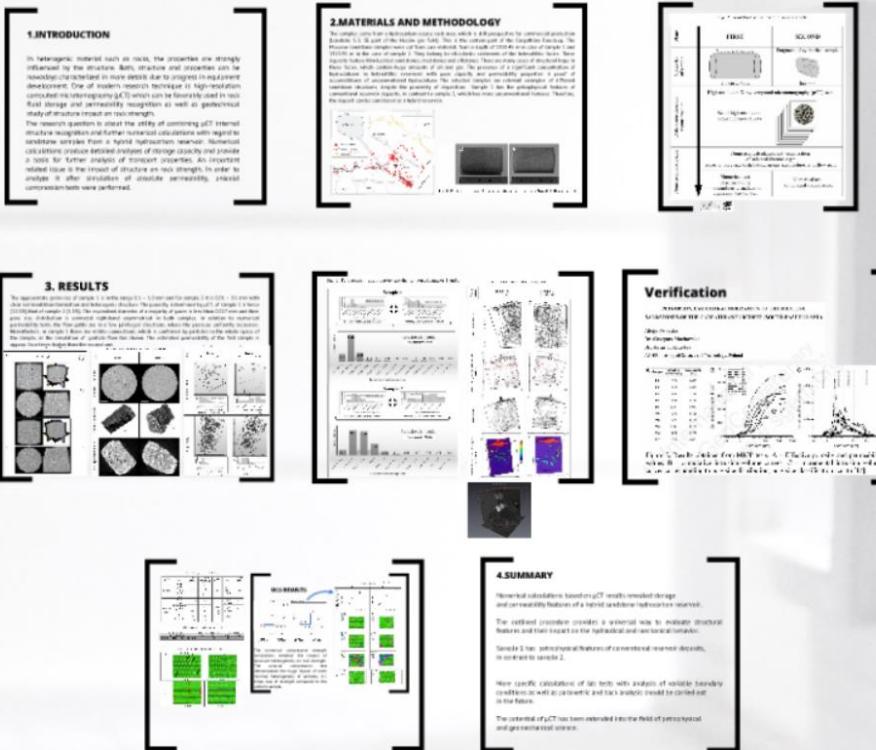


Komputerowa analiza właściwości zbiornikowych przestrzeni porowej piaskowców oraz ich wytrzymałości, na podstawie mikrotomografii rentgenowskiej

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1.INTRODUCTION

In heterogenic material such as rocks, the properties are strongly influenced by the structure. Both, structure and properties can be nowadays characterized in more details due to progress in equipment development. One of modern research technique is high-resolution computed microtomography (μ CT) which can be favorably used in rock fluid storage and permeability recognition as well as geotechnical study of structure impact on rock strength.

The research question is about the utility of combining μ CT internal structure recognition and further numerical calculations with regard to sandstone samples from a hybrid hydrocarbon reservoir. Numerical calculations produce detailed analyses of storage capacity and provide a basis for further analysis of transport properties. An important related issue is the impact of structure on rock strength. In order to analyze it after simulation of absolute permeability, uniaxial compression tests were performed.

2. MATERIALS AND METHODOLOGY

The samples come from a hydrocarbon source rock area, which is still prospective for commercial production (borehole S-3, SE part of the Husów gas field). This is the eastern part of the Carpathian Foredeep. The Miocene sandstone samples were cut from core material, from a depth of 1920.45 m in case of sample 1 and 1923.95 m in the case of sample 2. They belong to siliciclastic sediments of the heterolithic facies. These deposits feature thin-bedded sandstones, mudstones and siltstones. There are many cases of structural traps in these facies, which contain huge amounts of oil and gas. The presence of a significant concentration of hydrocarbons in heterolithic reservoirs with poor capacity and permeability properties is proof of accumulations of unconventional hydrocarbon. The selected samples are relevant examples of different sandstone structures, despite the proximity of deposition. Sample 1 has the petrophysical features of conventional reservoir deposits, in contrast to sample 2, which has more unconventional features. Therefore, the deposit can be considered as a hybrid reservoir.

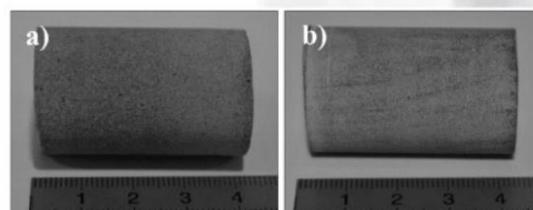
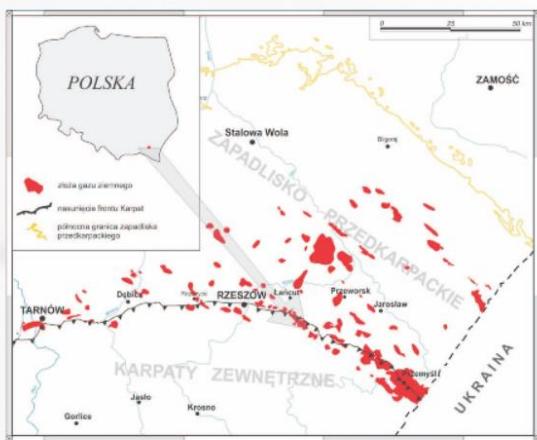


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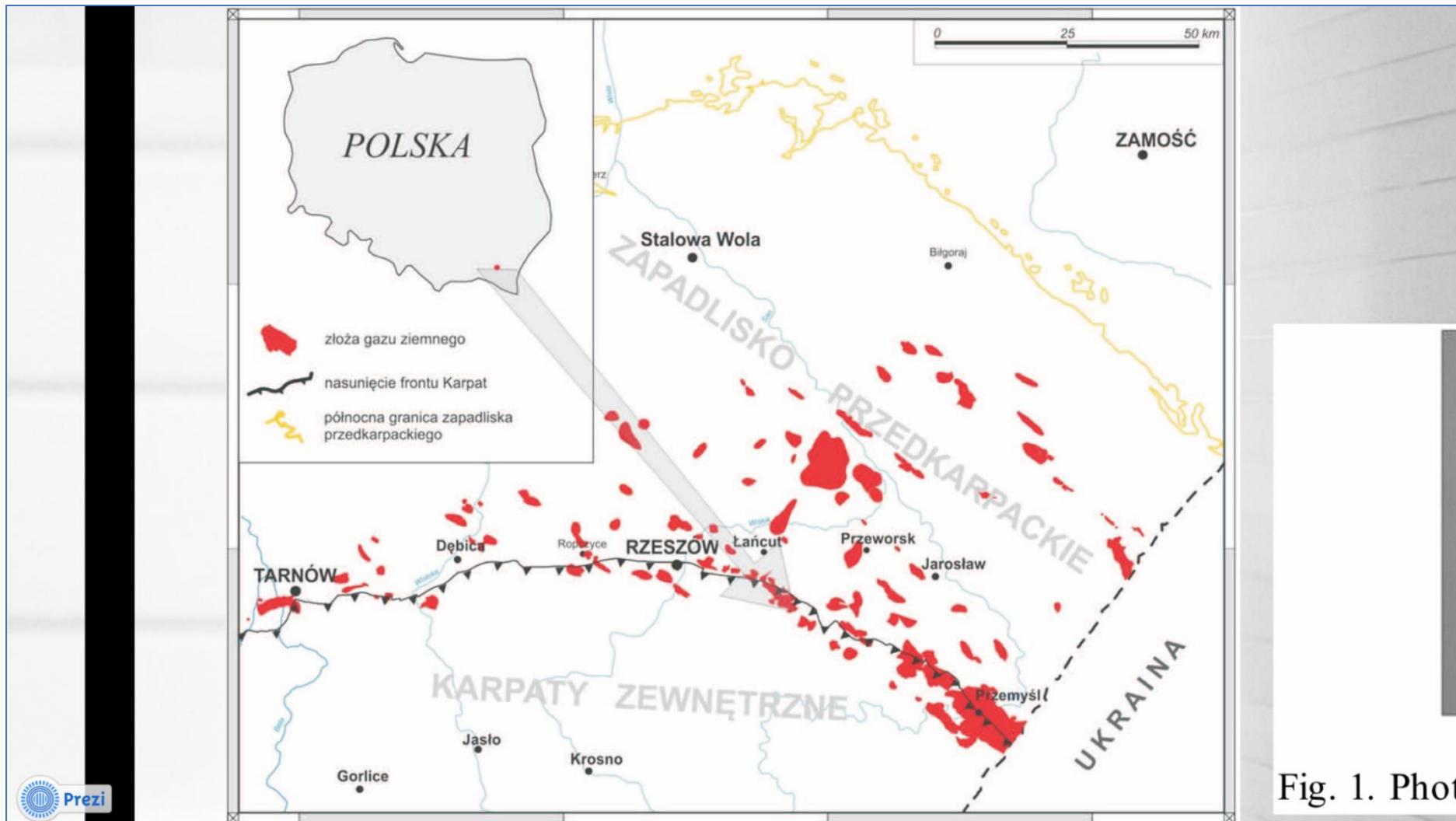


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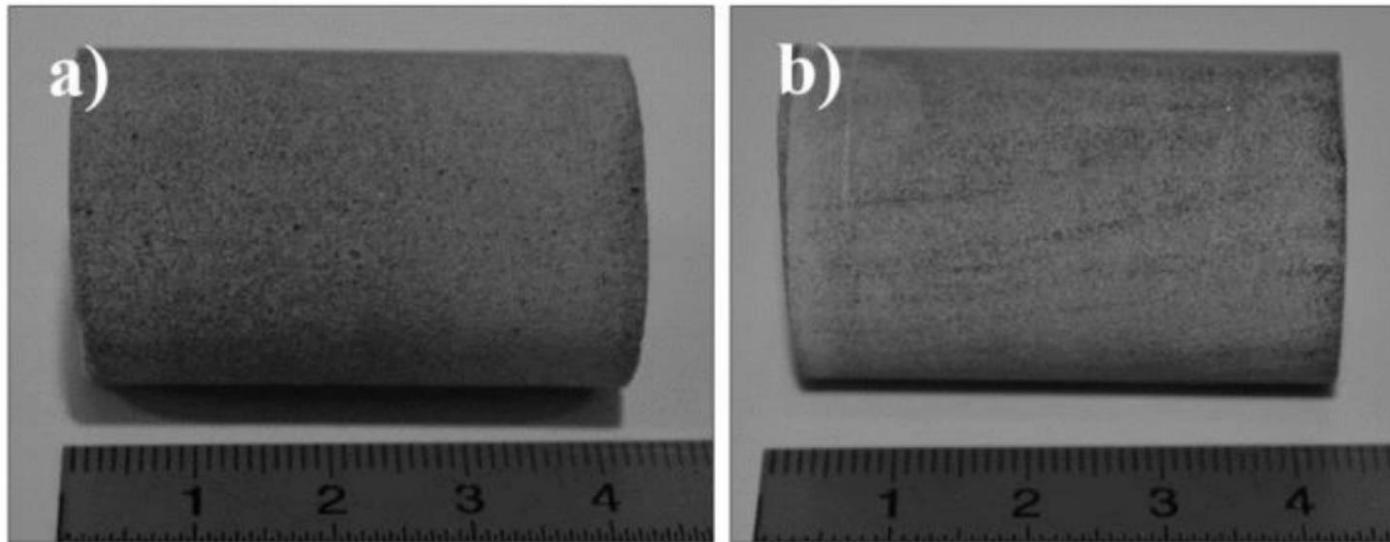
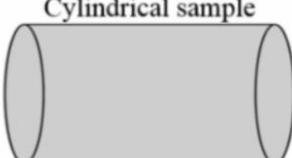
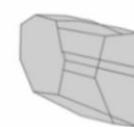
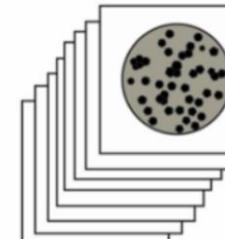


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Fig. 2. Workflow of sandstone sample study

Stage	FIRST	SECOND
Geometry of sample	Cylindrical sample  2.5 cm x 4 cm	Fragment of cylindrical sample  few mm
Data acquisition and reconstruction	High-resolution X-ray computed microtomography (μ CT) scan	
Numerical processing	Set of high-resolution bitmap images (1024) 	Numerical calculation and visualization of selected features e.g.: porosity, pore size distribution, grains size, tortuosity of flow path
	Numerical test of permeability - streamlines visualization - pressure distribution	Numerical test of uniaxial compression

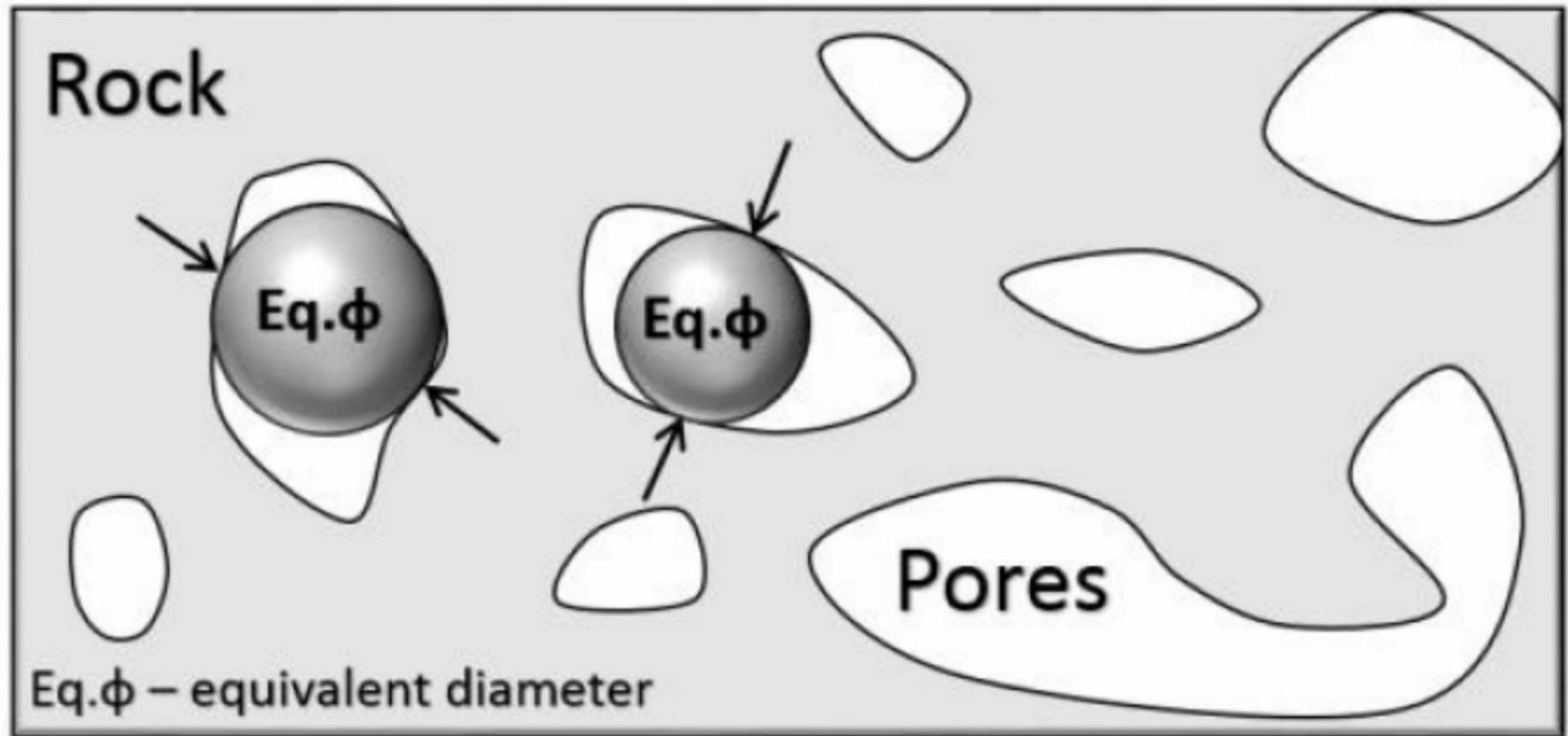


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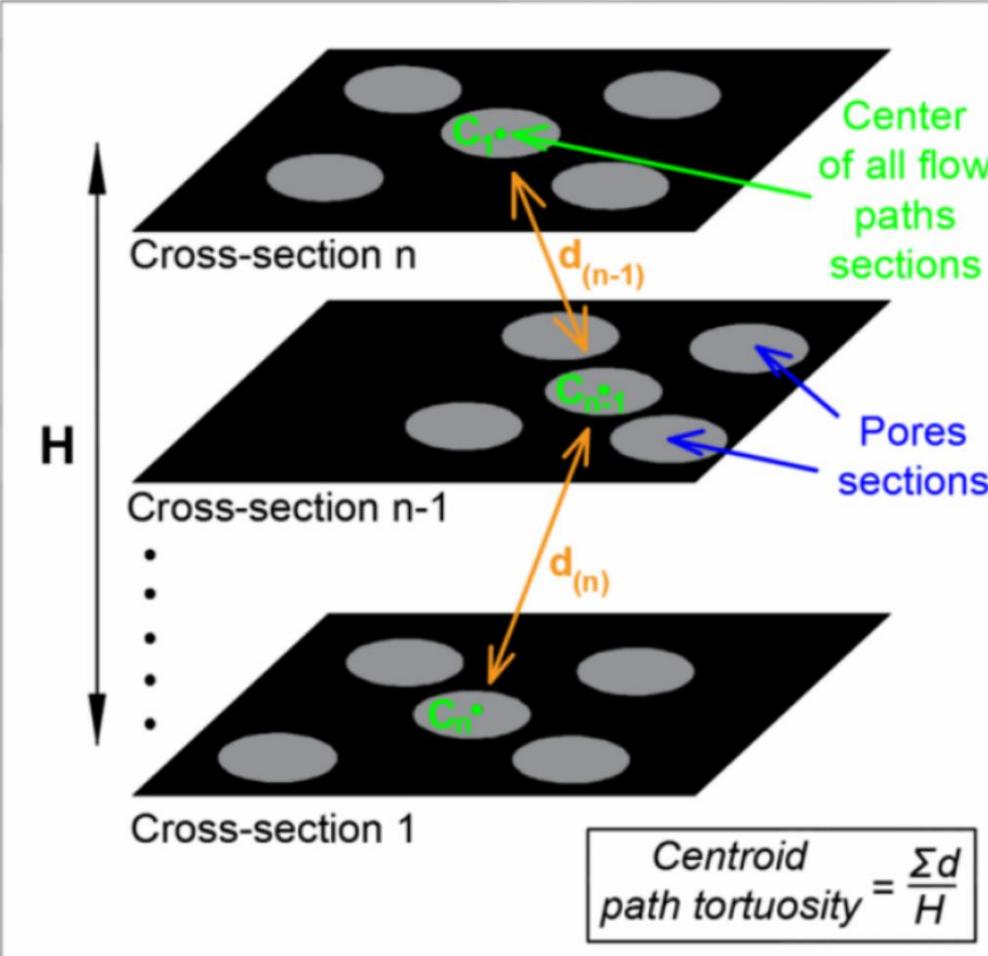


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3. RESULTS

The approximate grain size of sample 1 is in the range 0.1 – 1.0 mm and for sample 2 it is 0.01 – 0.1 mm with clear sedimentation lamination and heterogenic structure. The porosity, determined by µCT, of sample 1 is twice (10.3%) that of sample 2 (5.3%). The equivalent diameter of a majority of pores is less than 0.027 mm and their pore size distribution is unimodal right-hand asymmetrical in both samples. In relation to numerical permeability tests, the flow paths are in a few privileged directions, where the pressure uniformly decreases. Nevertheless, in sample 1 there are visible connections, which is confirmed by particles in the whole space of the sample, as the simulation of particle flow has shown. The estimated permeability of the first sample is approx. four times higher than the second one.

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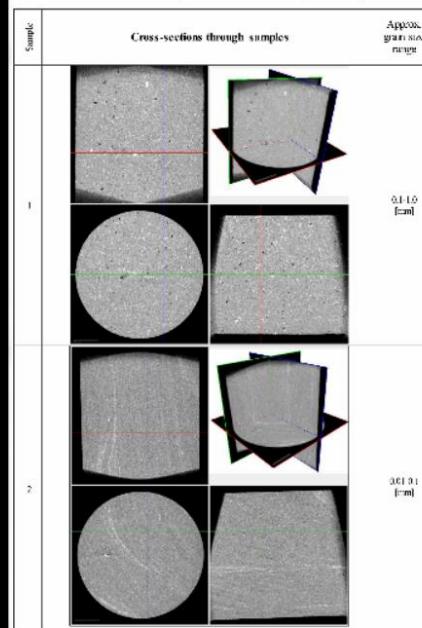


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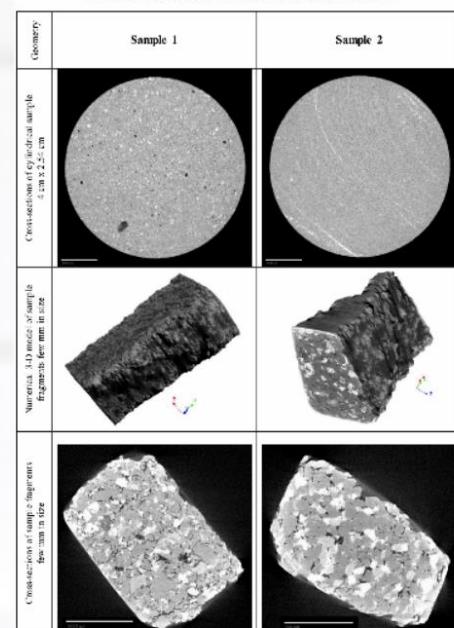


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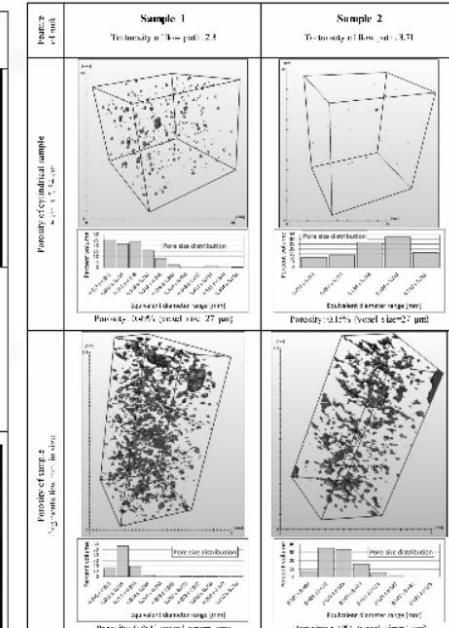
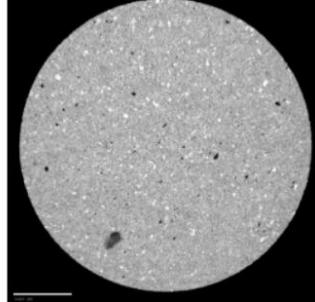
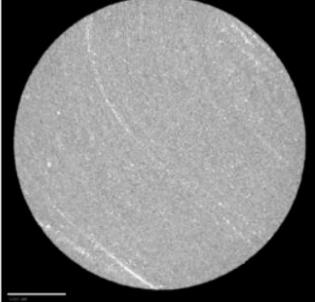
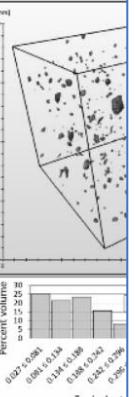
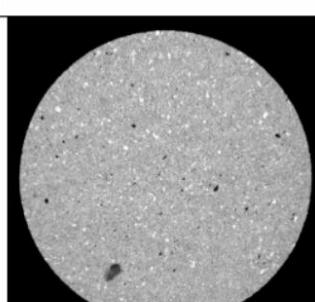
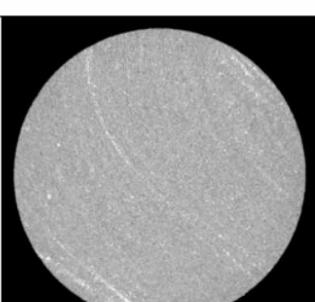
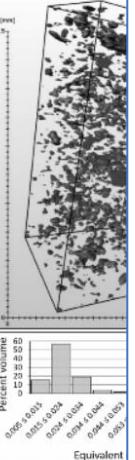


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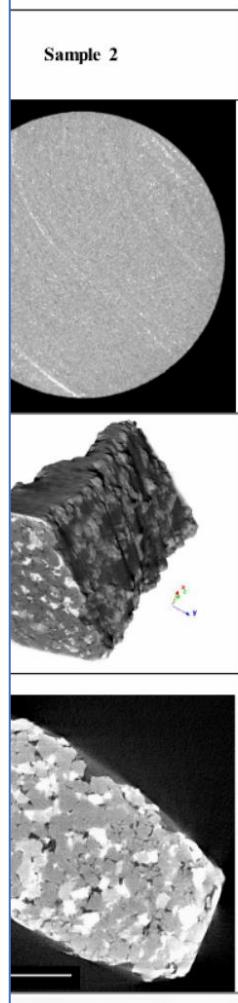


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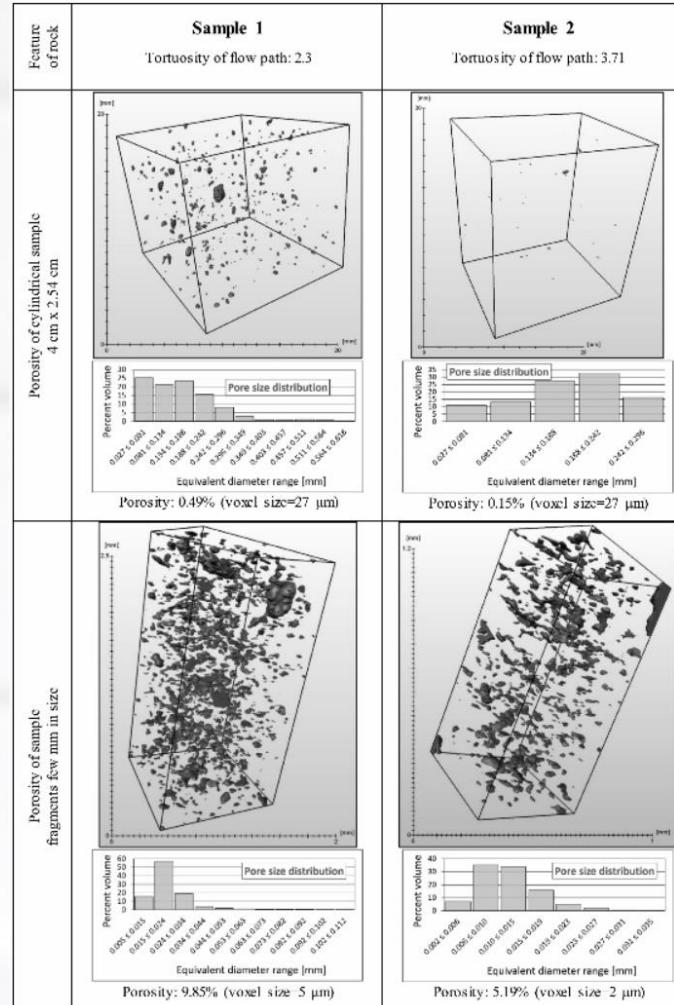


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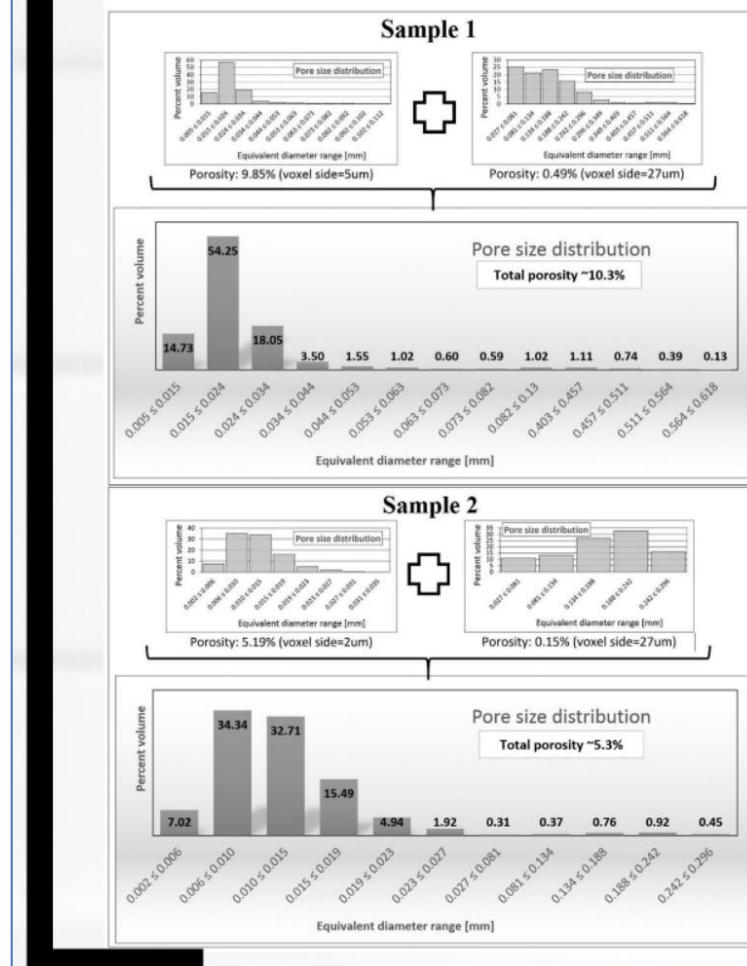


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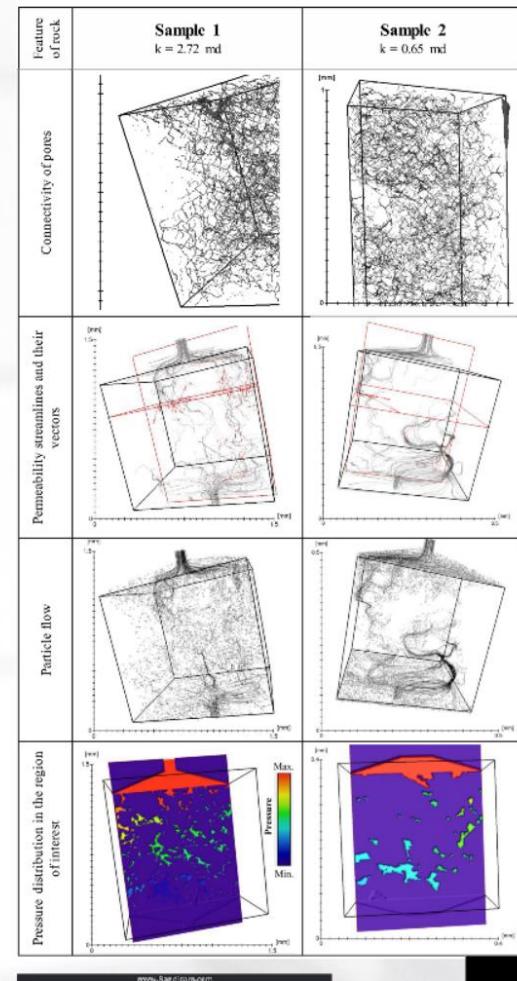


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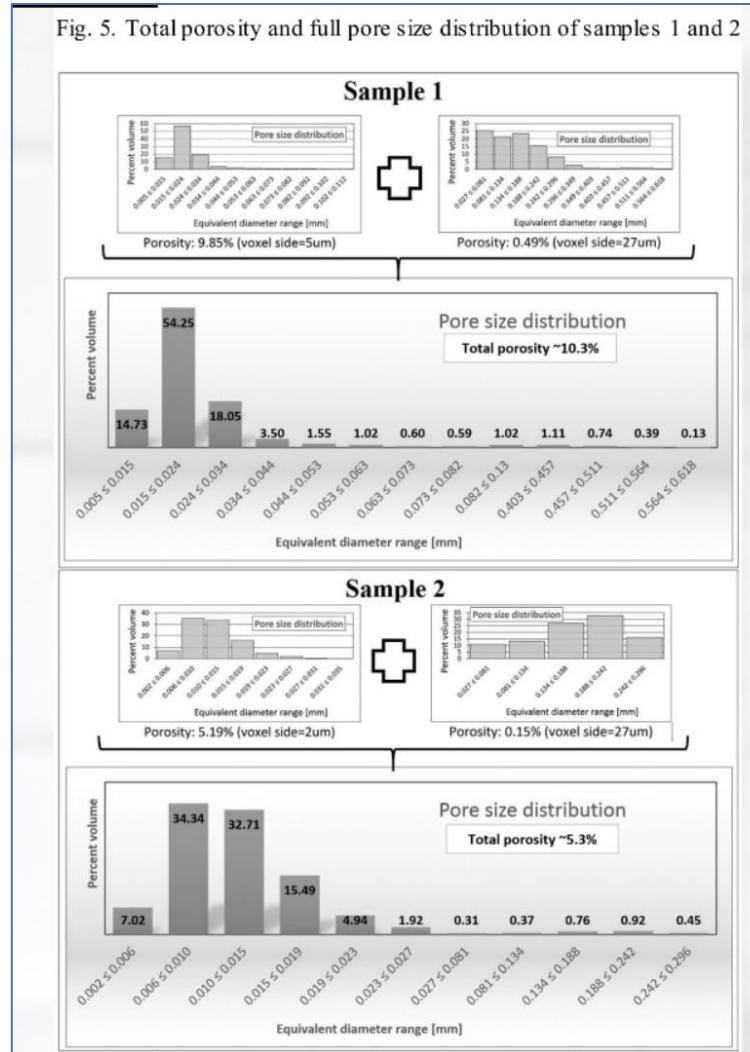
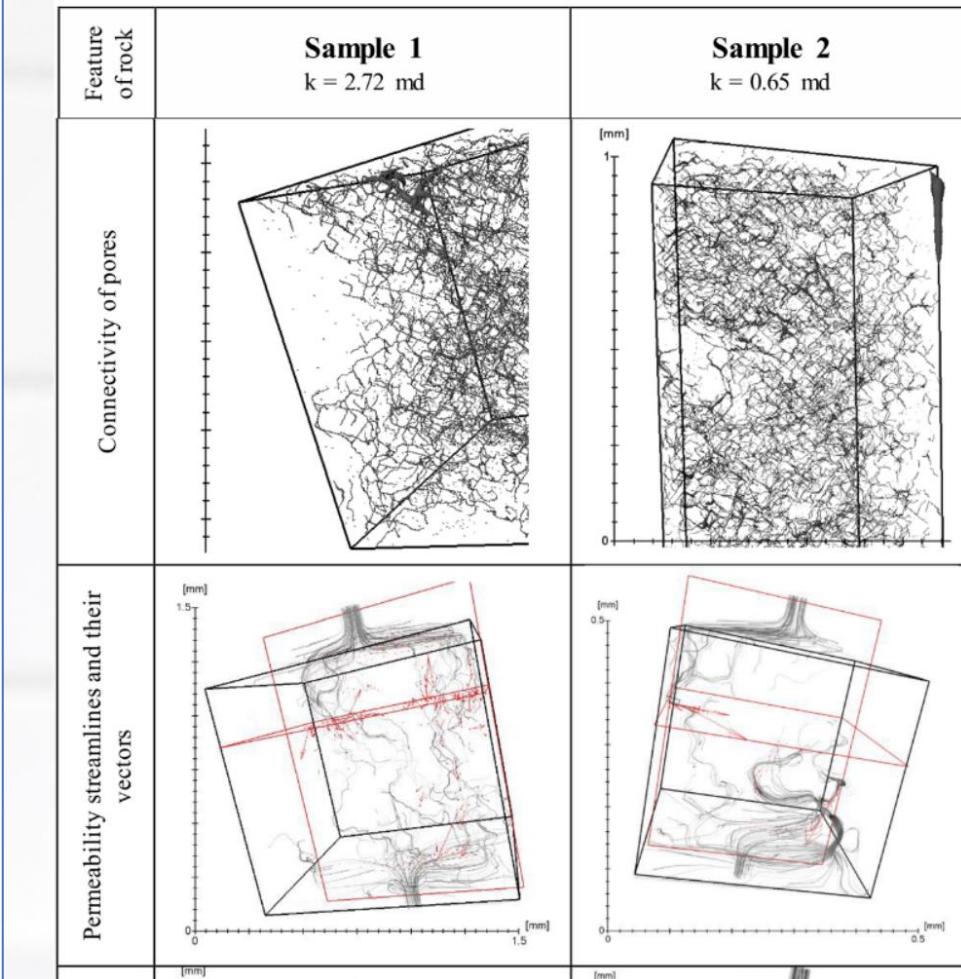
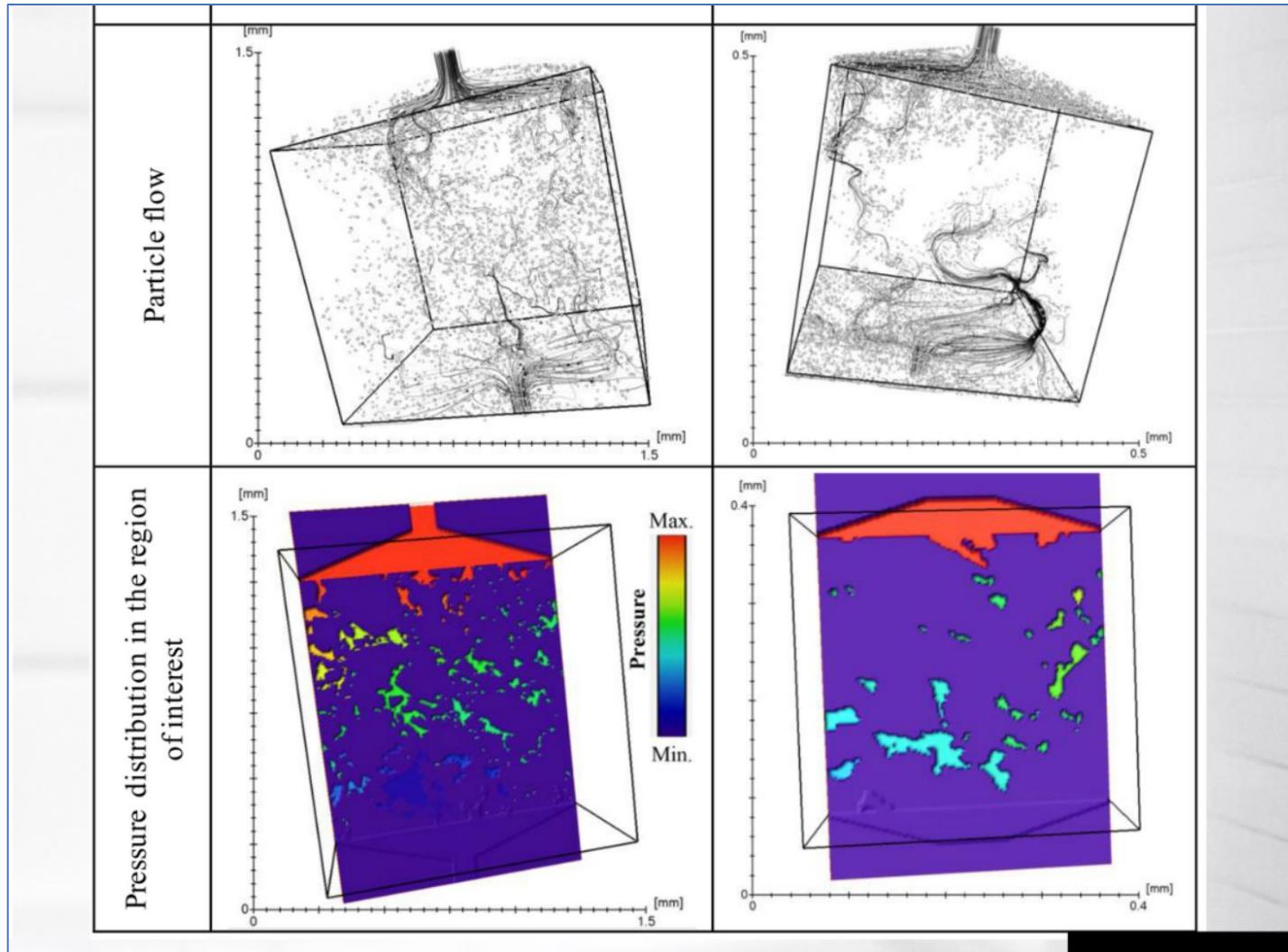
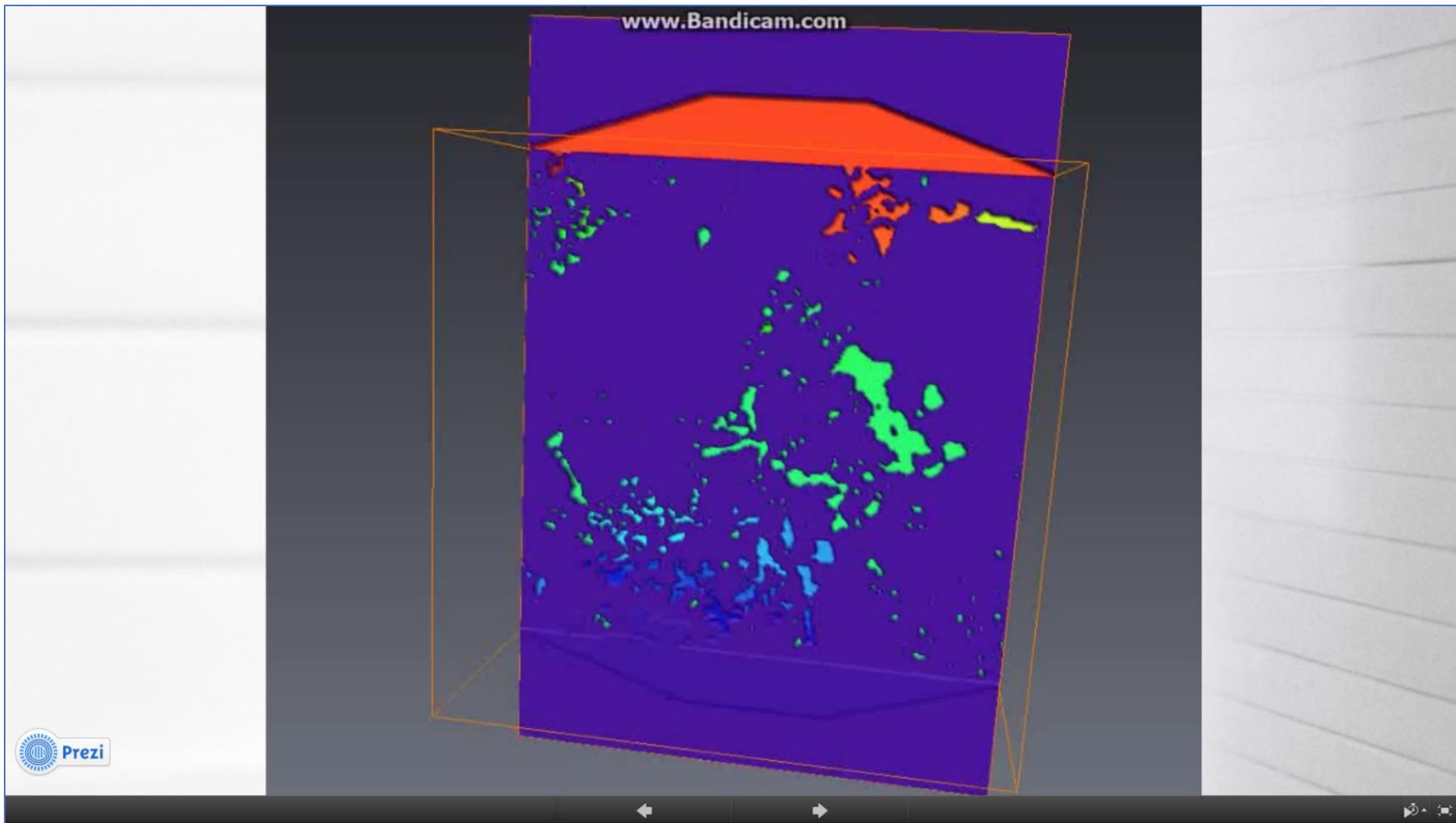


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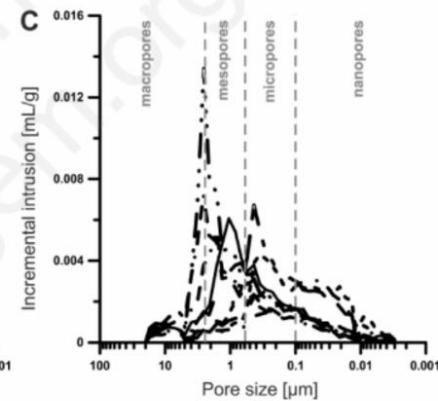
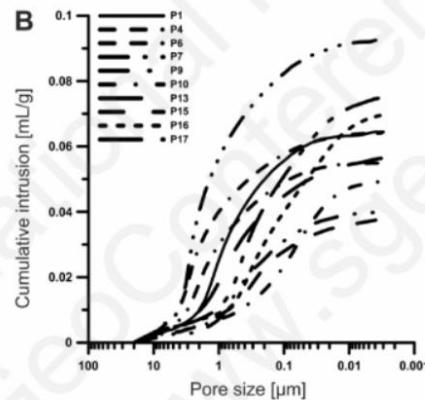


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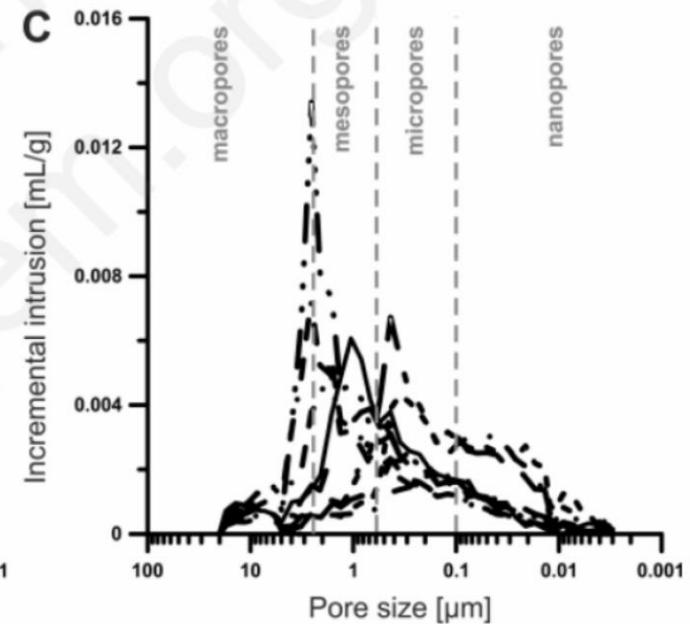
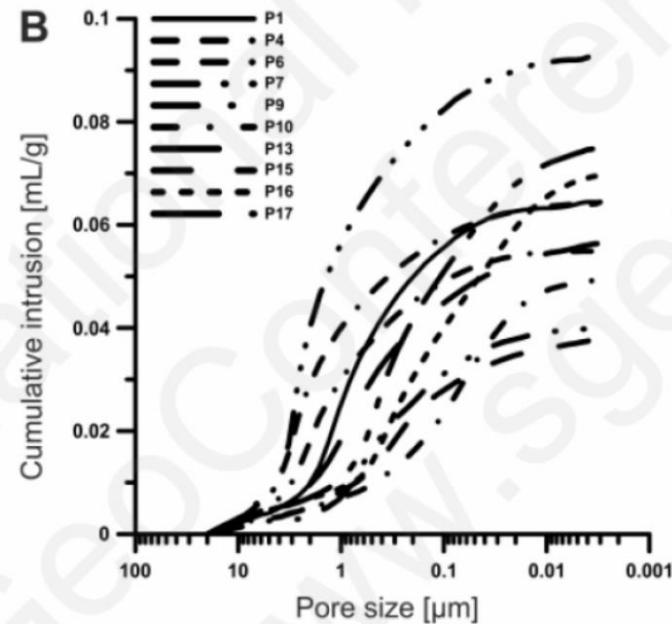


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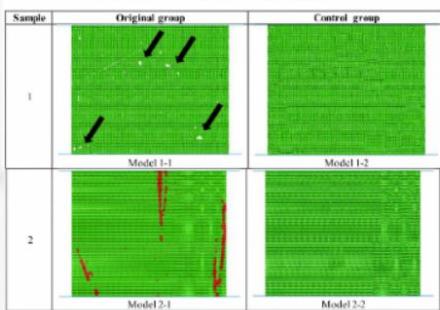
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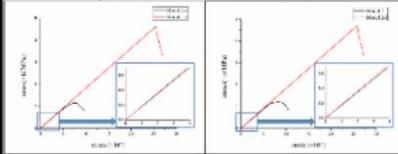


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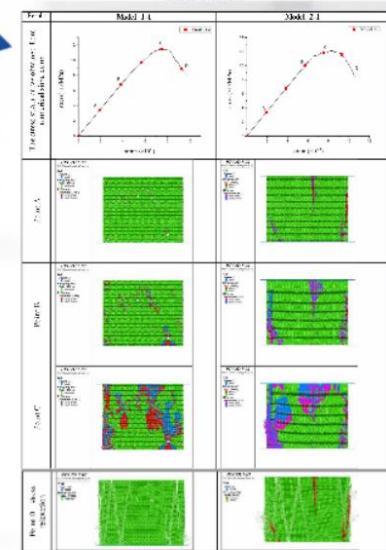


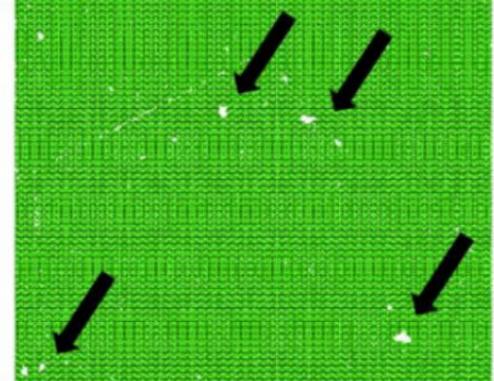
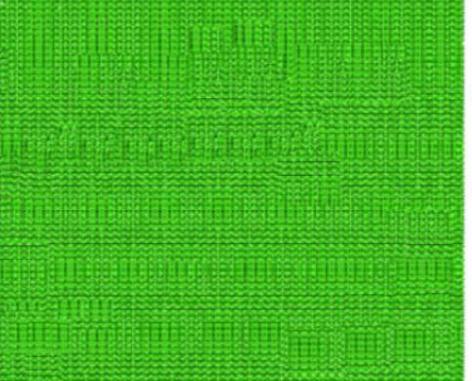
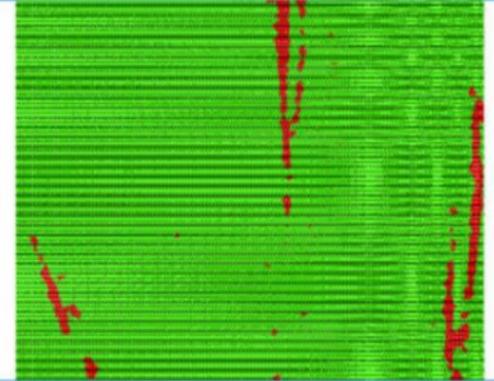
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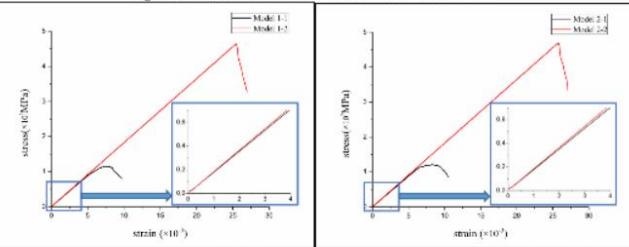


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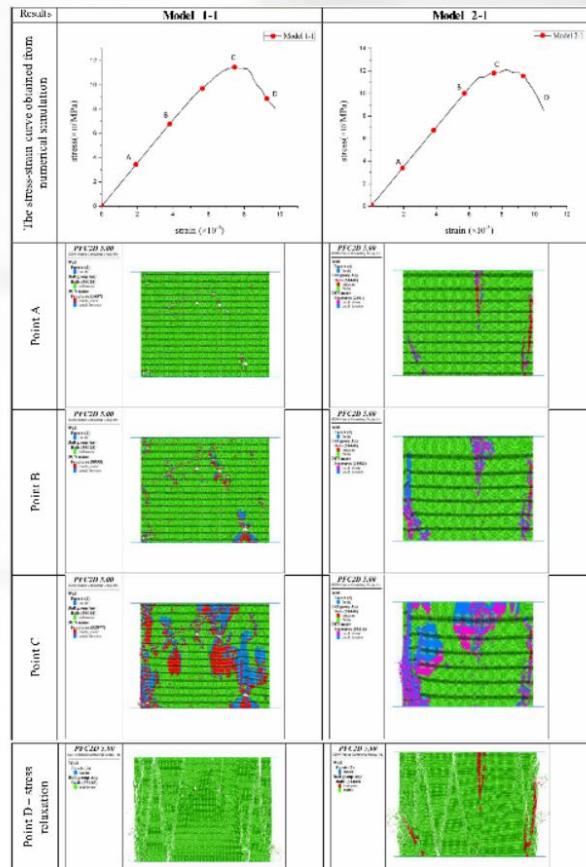


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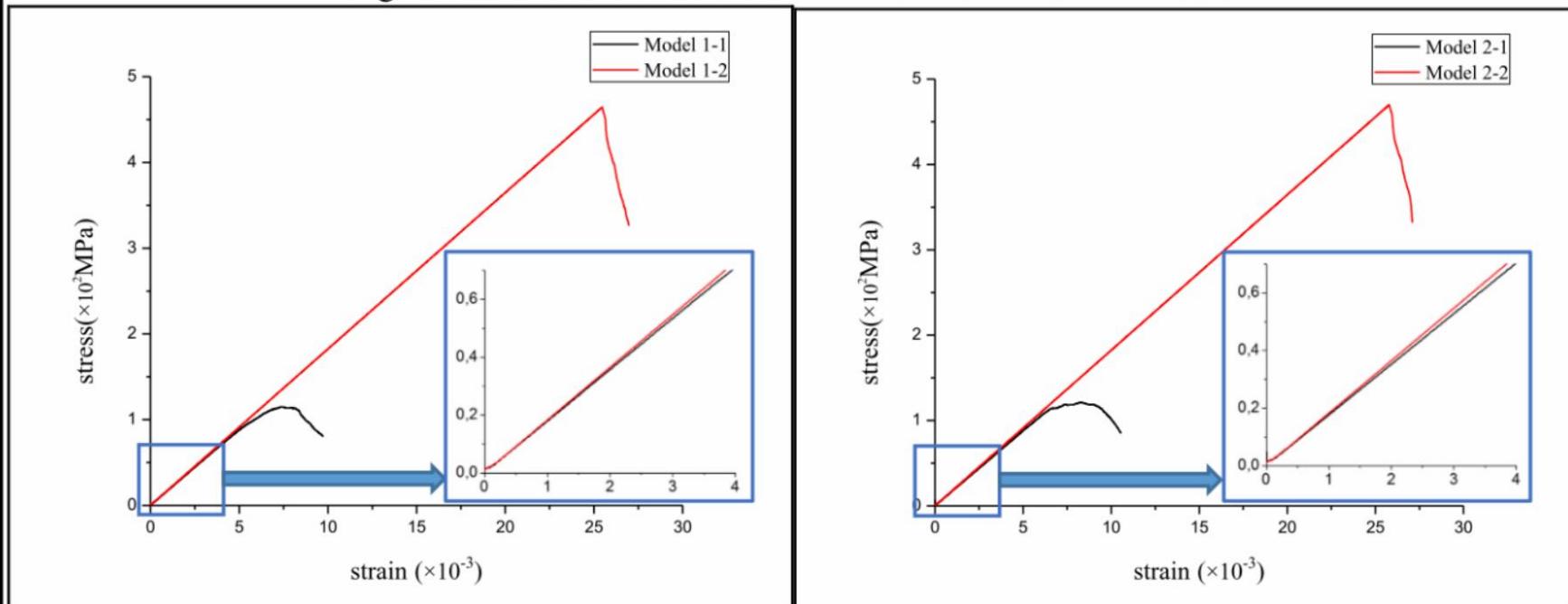
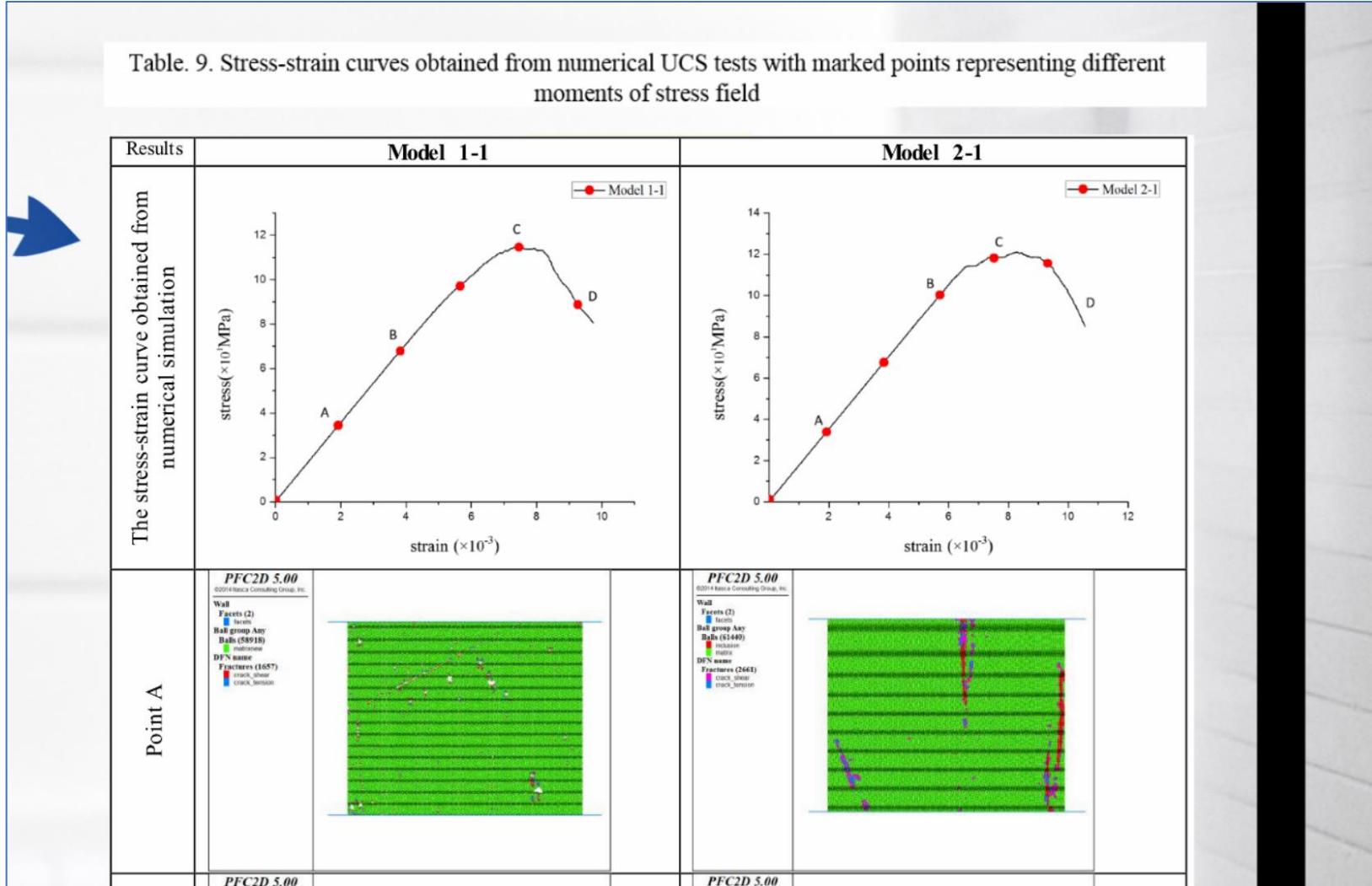
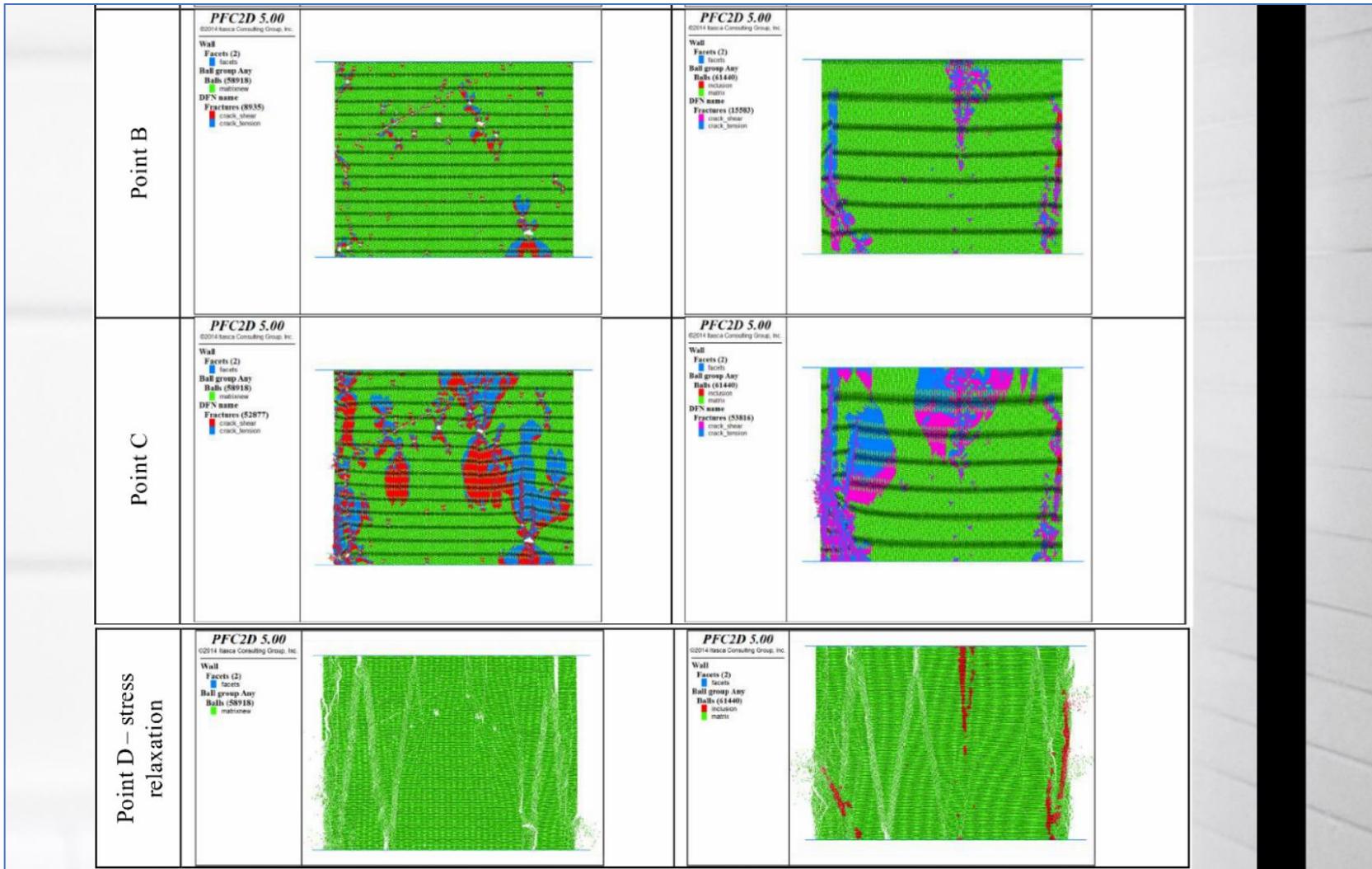


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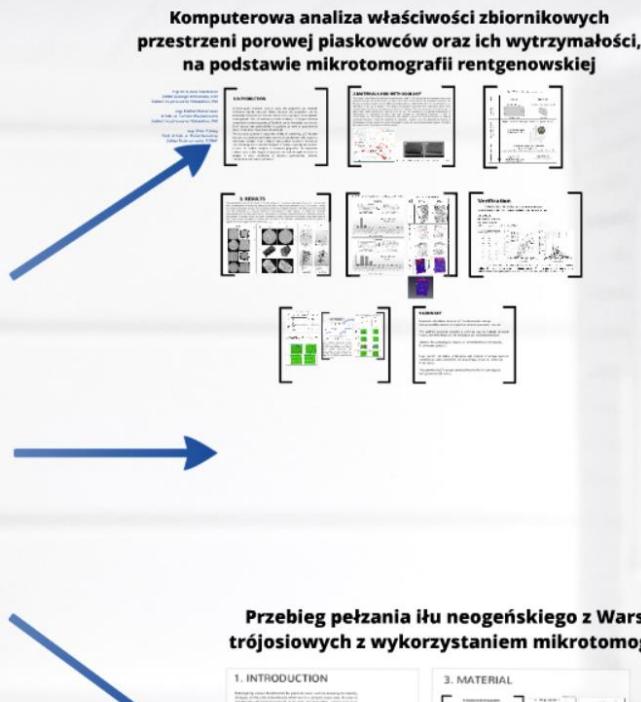
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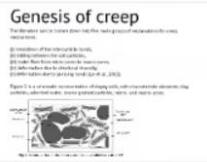


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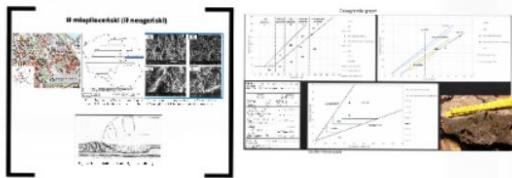
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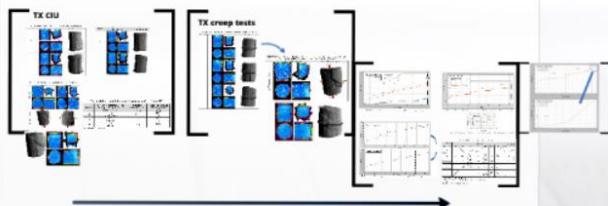


2. METHODOLOGY



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5. SUMMARY

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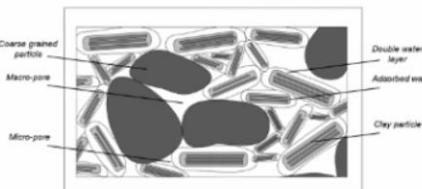


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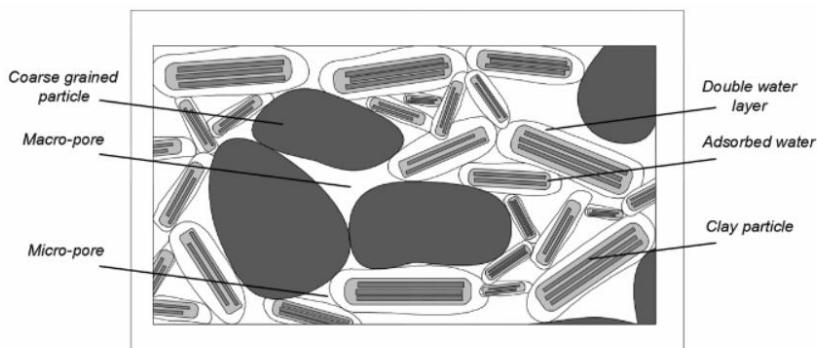
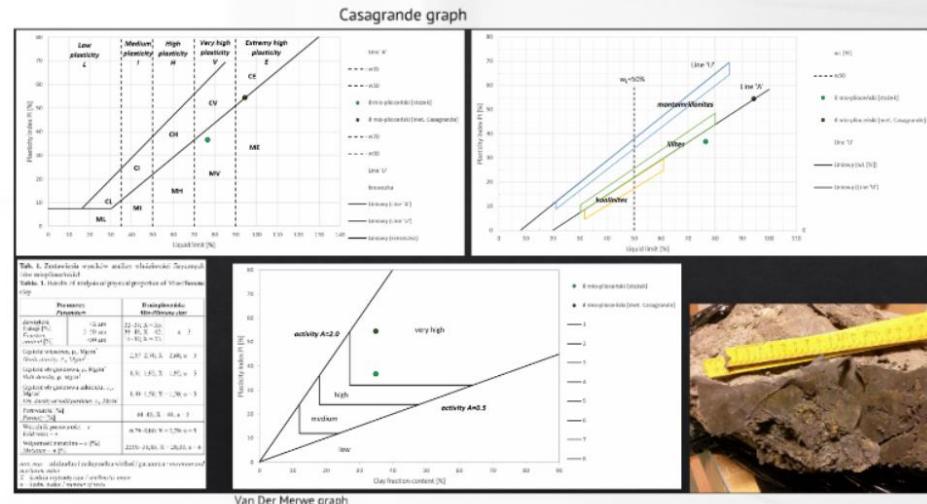
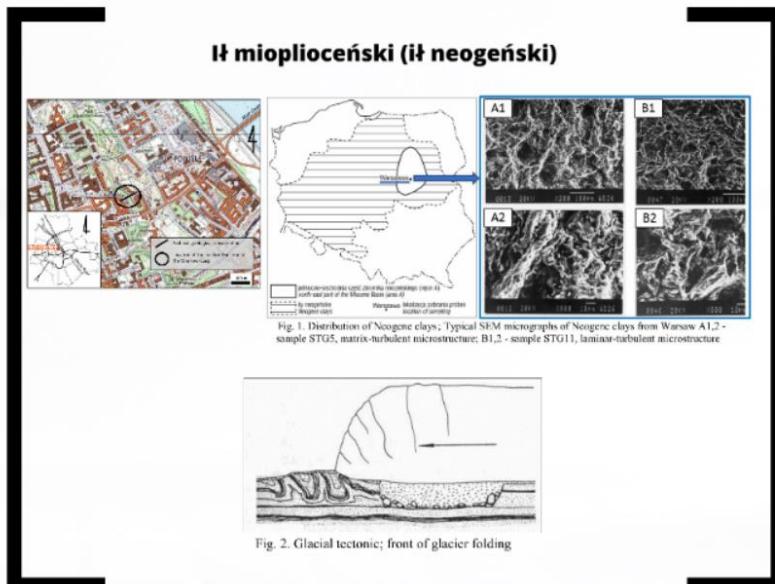


Fig. 2. Schematic view of clay-water system (modified after Lee et al., 2012)

3. MATERIAL



Ił mioplioceński (ił neogeński)

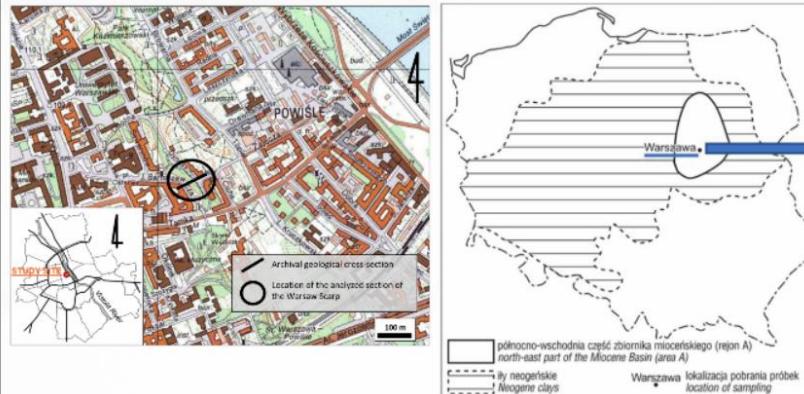


Fig. 1. Distribution of Neogene clays; Typical SEM micrographs of Neogene clays from Warsaw A1,2 - sample STG5, matrix-turbulent microstructure; B1,2 - sample STG11, laminar-turbulent microstructure

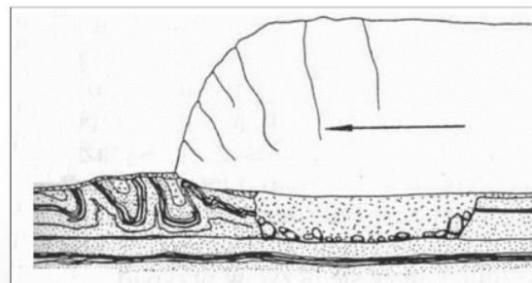
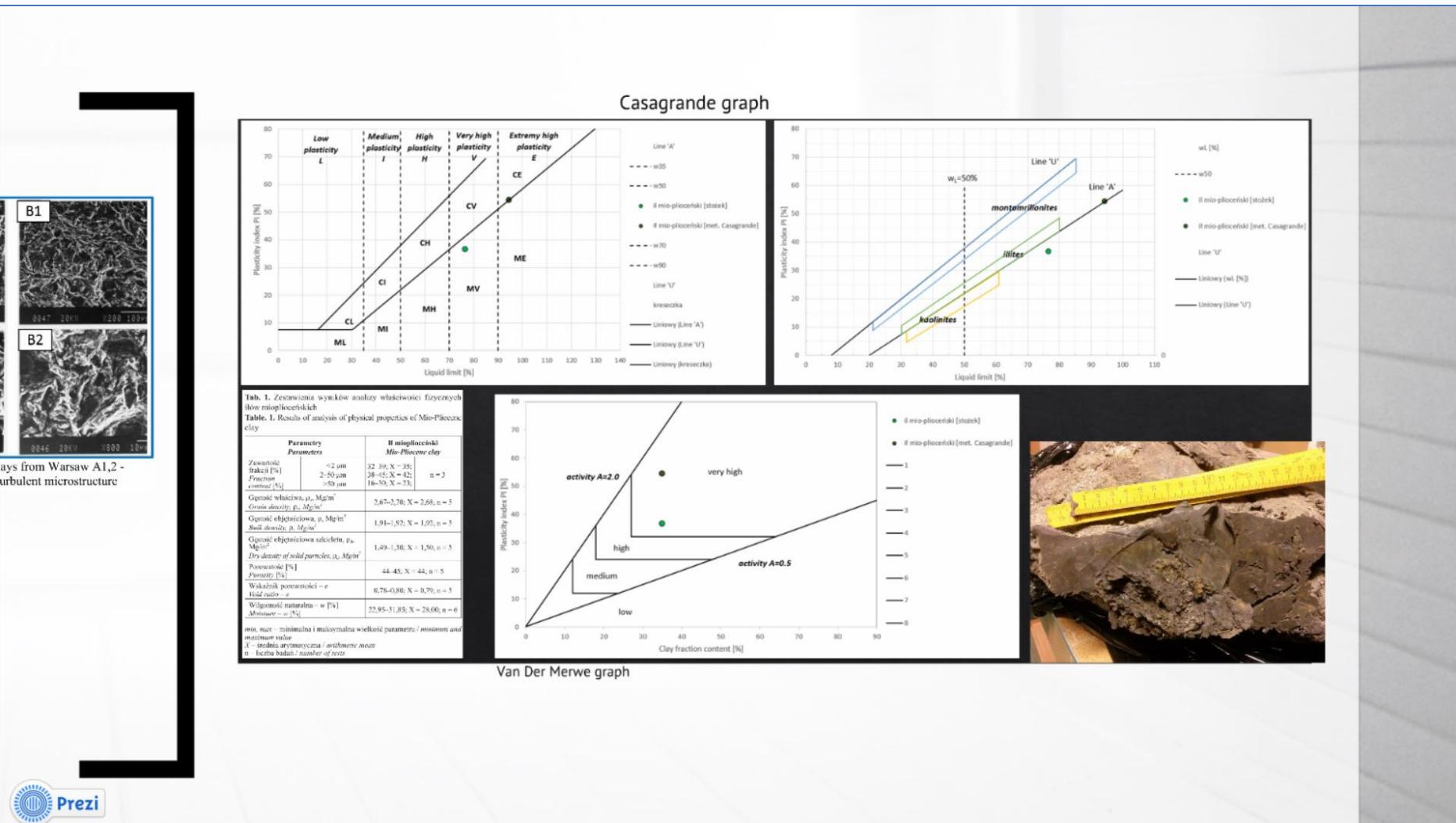


Fig. 2. Glacial tectonic; front of glacier folding



Tab. 1. Zestawienia wyników iłów mioplioceńskich
Table 1. Results of analysis of clay

Parametry Parameters	
Zawartość frakcji [%]	<2 µm 2-50 µm >50 µm
Gęstość właściwa, ρ_w , Mg/m³ <i>Grain density, ρ_w, Mg/m³</i>	
Gęstość objętościowa, ρ , Mg/m³ <i>Bulk density, ρ, Mg/m³</i>	
Gęstość objętościowa szkieletu, Mg/m³ <i>Dry density of solid particles, ρ_d, Mg/m³</i>	
Porowatość [%] <i>Porosity [%]</i>	
Wskaznik porowatości – e <i>Void ratio – e</i>	
Wilgotność naturalna – w [%] <i>Moisture – w [%]</i>	
min, max – minimalna i maksymalna <i>minimum value</i> <i>X – średnia arytmetyczna / arithm</i>	
n – liczba badań / number of tests	



2. METHODOLOGY

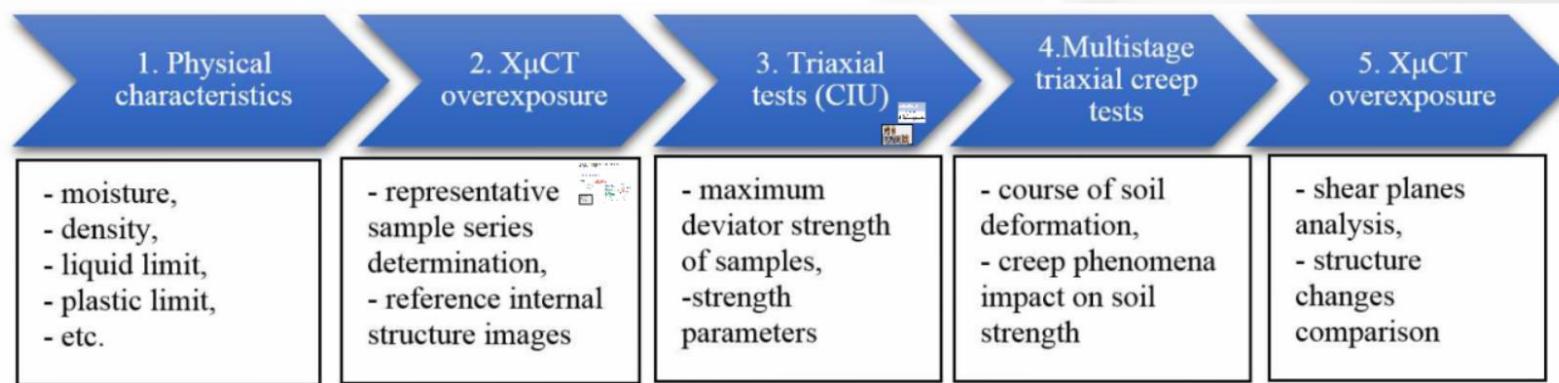
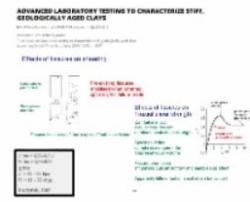


Fig. 5. Workflow of the creep deformation course study

2. X μ CT overexposure

- representative sample series determination,
- reference internal structure images



ADVANCED LABORATORY TESTING TO CHARACTERIZE STIFF, GEOLOGICALLY AGED CLAYS

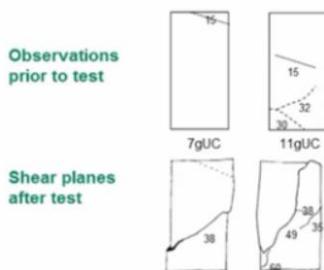
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Effects of fissures on shearing



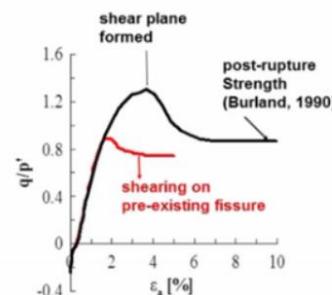
Fissures that promote failure may be difficult to see before

Pre-existing fissures
mobilised when oriented
optimally for failure mode

Effects of fissures on Triaxial shear strength

Can fail in intact
clay, or fissures can
dominate peak shear strength

Spacings define
sample size required for
'Representative Volume'



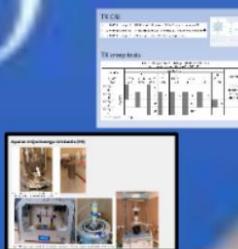
Fissure orientation,
influences bulk anisotropy and sample size effect

Apparently little effect on small strain behaviour?

$c'_{zw} = 0,55-0,7 c'$
 $f'_i{}_{zw} = 0,7-09 f'_i$
gdzie:
 $c' = 25 - 55 \text{ kpa}$
 $f'_i = 12 - 22 \text{ stop.}$

Kaczyński, 2007

3. Triaxial tests (CIU)



Aparat trójosiowego ściskania (TX)



Fig. 3. Identification of the void inside (white arrow) the monolith during the preparation of samples

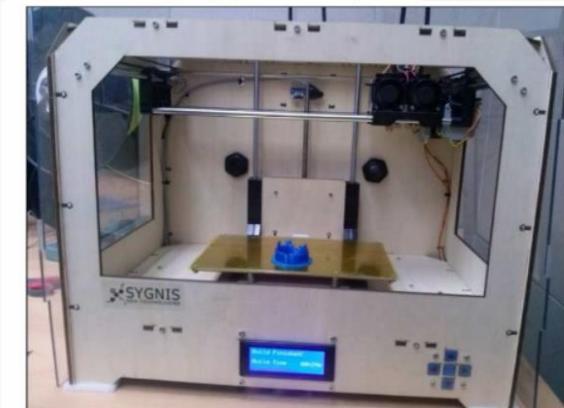
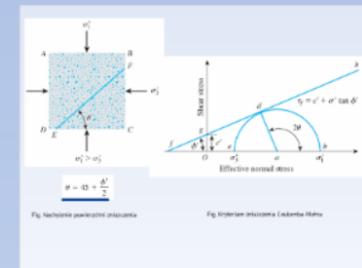


Fig. 7. Designed specifically for the sample dimensions elements supporting the radial strain sensor

TX CIU

- a) 100 kPa for sample 1T (1000kPa of cell pressure, 900 kPa of pore pressure) →
- b) 200 kPa for sample 2T (in situ stress; 480 cell pressure, 280 kPa of pore pressure) →
- c) 300 kPa for sample 3T (580 cell pressure, 280 kPa of pore pressure).

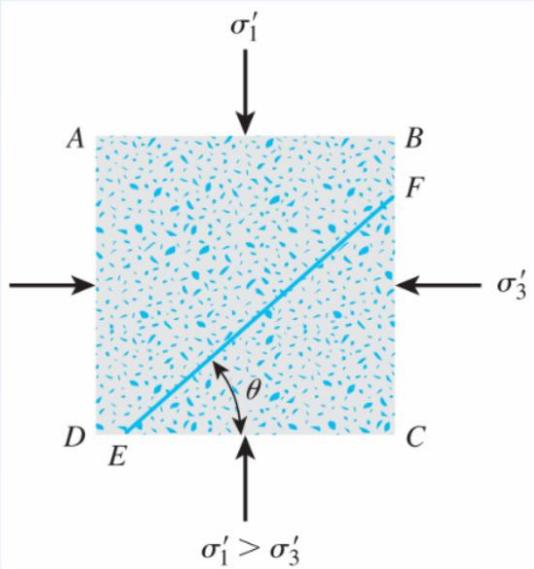


TX creep tests

Table 2. Program for Multistage Triaxial Creep Tests
in compression conditions ($\sigma' = 200$ kPa)

Test data		Stage No.								Comments
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
q [kPa]		42.80	57.06	80.84	95.10	109.37	123.63	137.90	152.16	
SL*		0.45	0.60	0.85	1.00	1.15	1.30	1.45	1.60	
Sample 1a	t [days]	20			15					Apparatus malfunction
Sample 1b		6	2	4	5	4.5	1	~0.5		With radial strain sensor
Sample 2			10	10	10	10	10	10	~0	
Sample 3				10	10	10	~0.5			

*Stress level SL = q/q_f [-]



$$\theta = 45 + \frac{\phi'}{2}$$

Fig. Nachylenie powierzchni zniszczenia

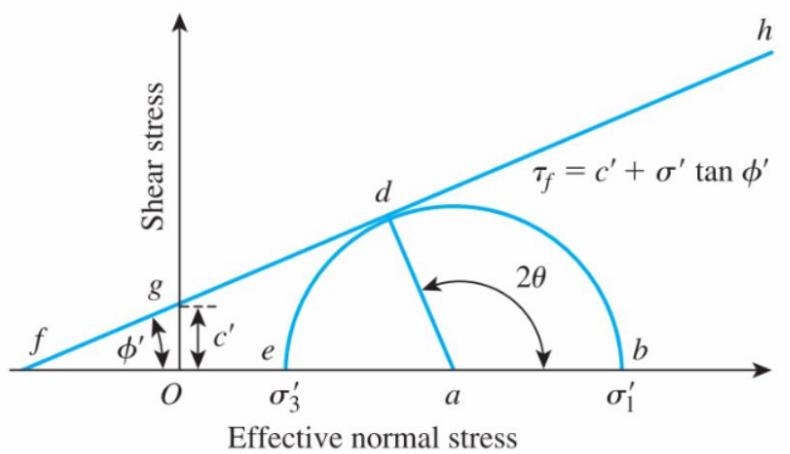
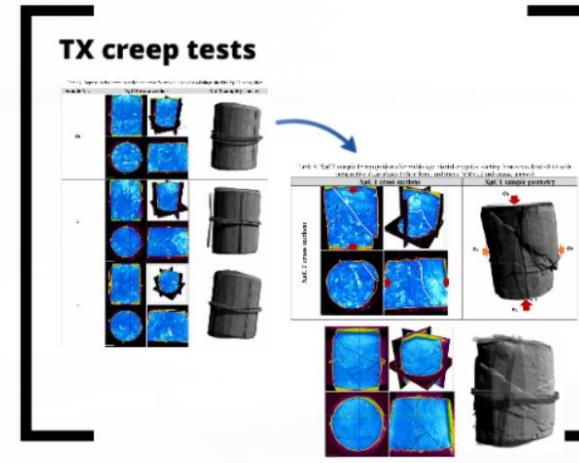
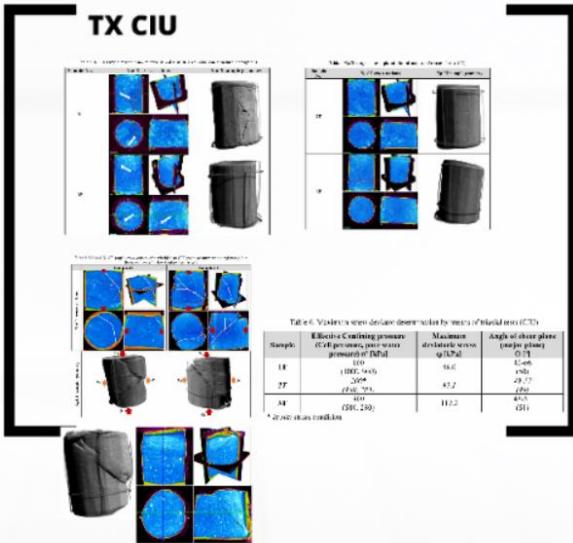


Fig. Kryterium zniszczenia Coulomba-Mohra

4. RESULTS



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Table 3. X_μCT sample recognition - rejected samples (white arrows indicate structure interruption)

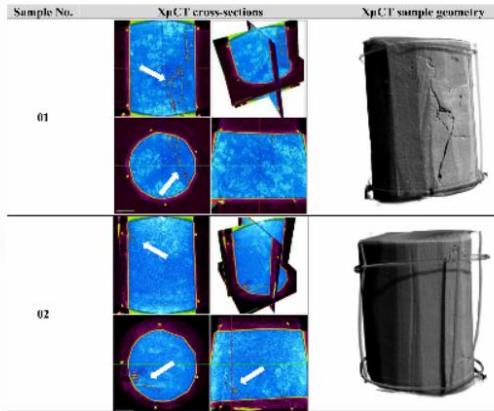


Table 4. X_μCT recognition examples of selected samples before triaxial tests (CIU)

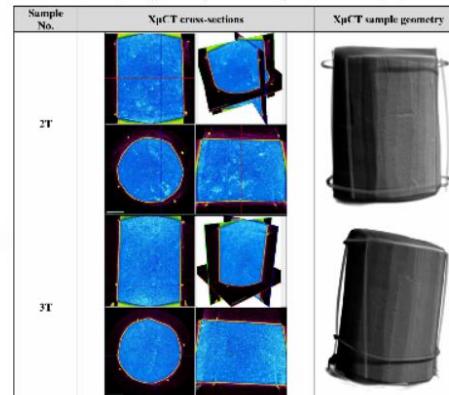


Table 5. Selected X_μCT sample cross-sections after triaxial tests (CIU) with presumptive shear planes (white lines) and stress field (red and orange arrows)

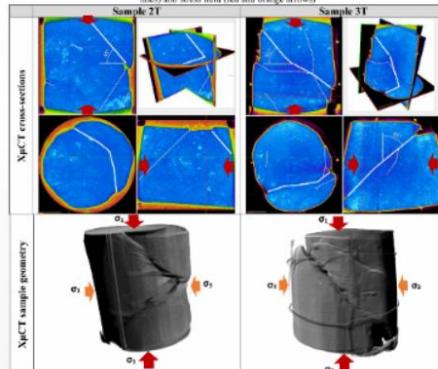


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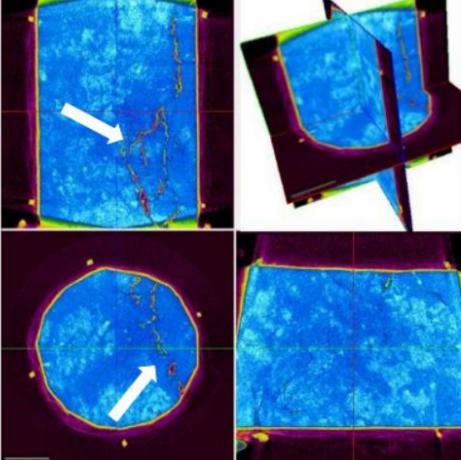
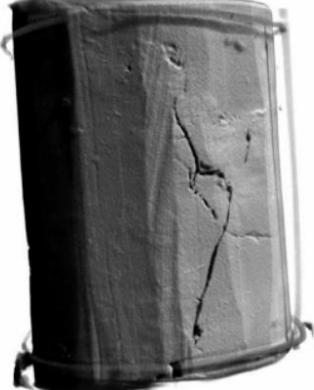
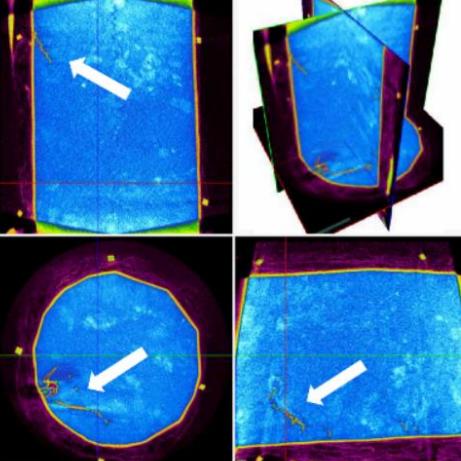
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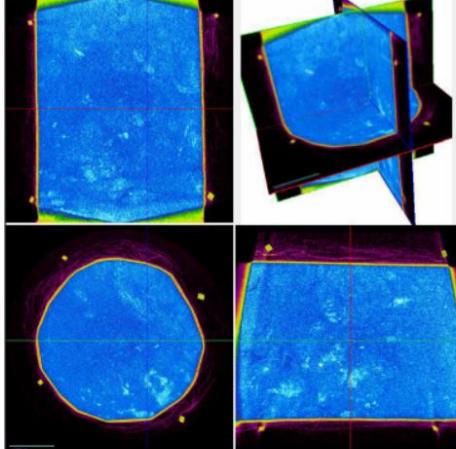
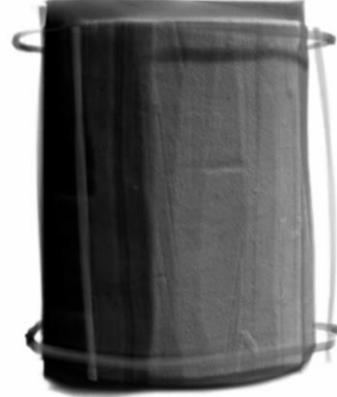
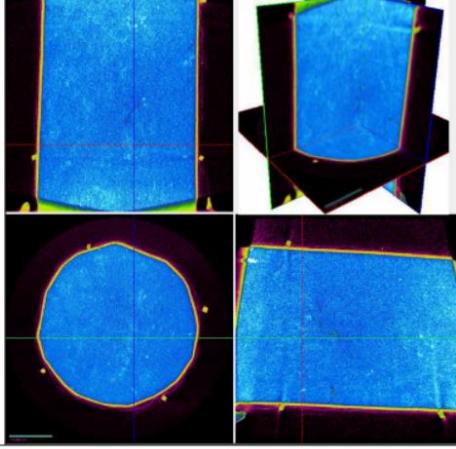
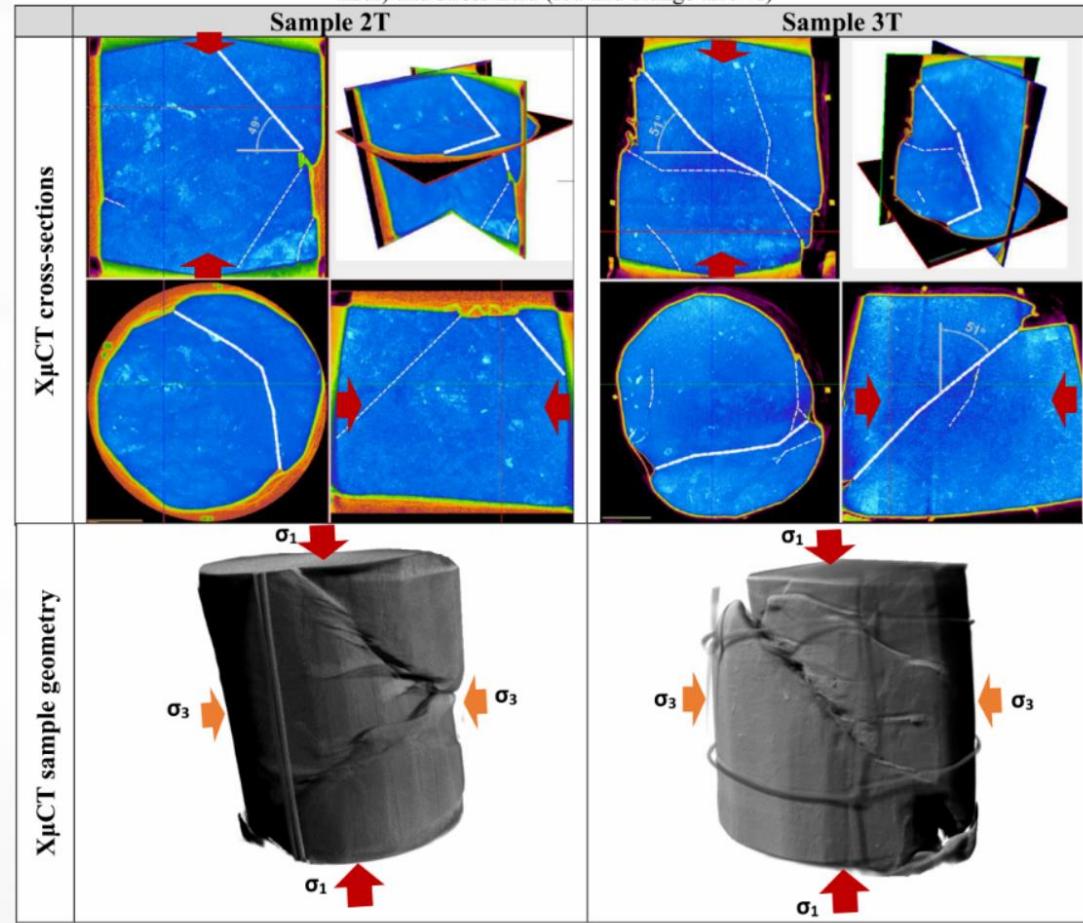
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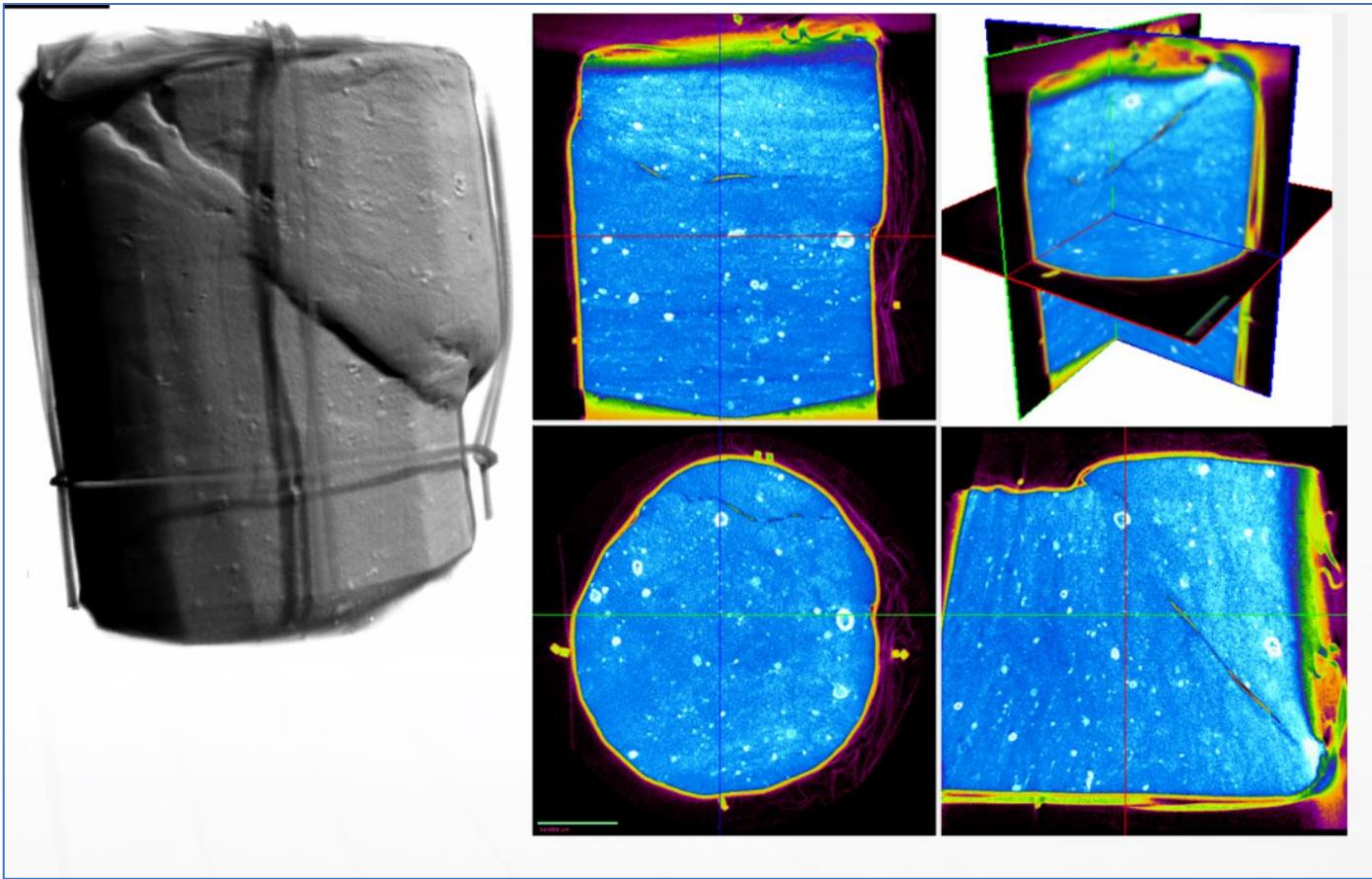


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TX creep tests

Table 7. Representative samples series dedicated for triaxial creep tests distinguished by X μ CT recognition

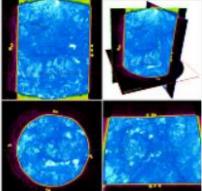
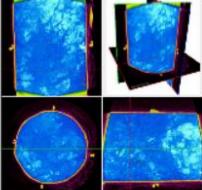
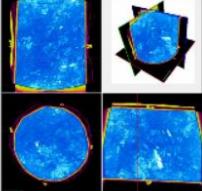
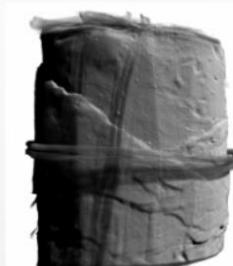
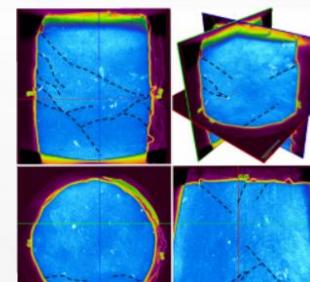
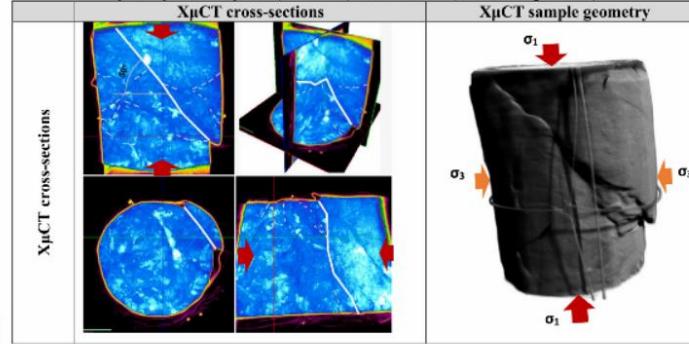
Sample No.	X μ CT cross-sections	X μ CT sample geometry
1b		
2		
3		



Table 8. X μ CT sample 1b recognition after multistage triaxial creep test starting from stress level=0.45 with presumptive shear planes (white lines) and stress field (red and orange arrows)



CIU)



Table 7. Representative samples series dedicated for triaxial creep tests distinguished by X μ CT recognition

Sample No.	X μ CT cross-sections	X μ CT sample geometry
1b		
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3		



Table 8. X μ CT sample 1b recognition after presumptive shear planes (w

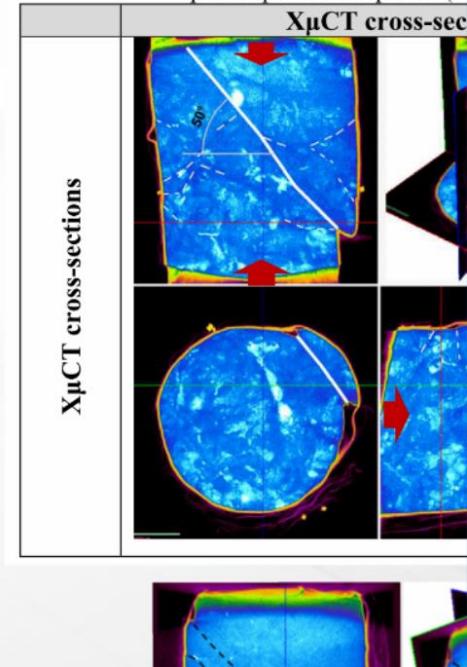
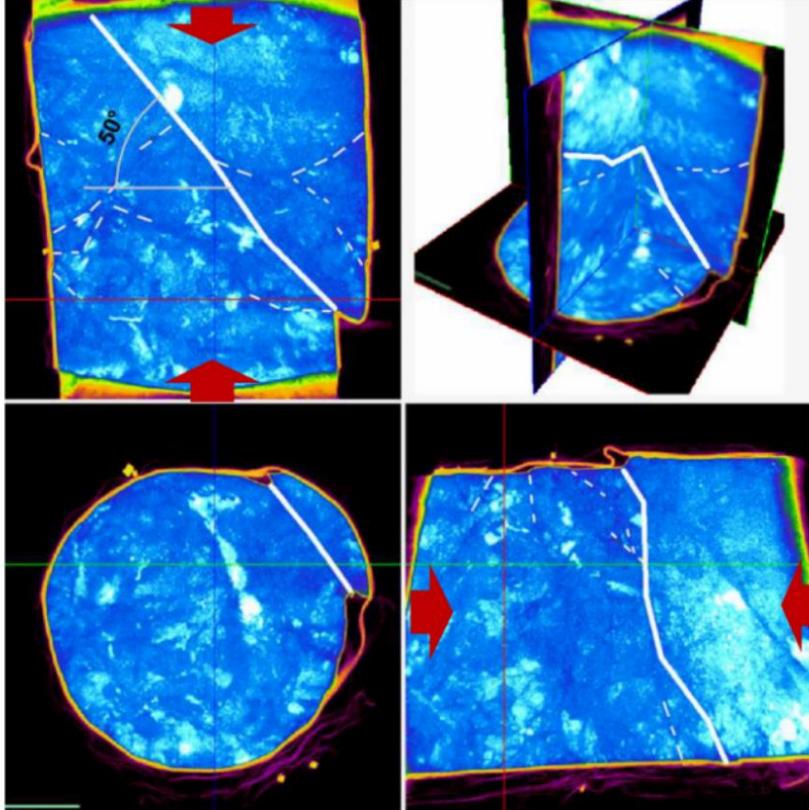
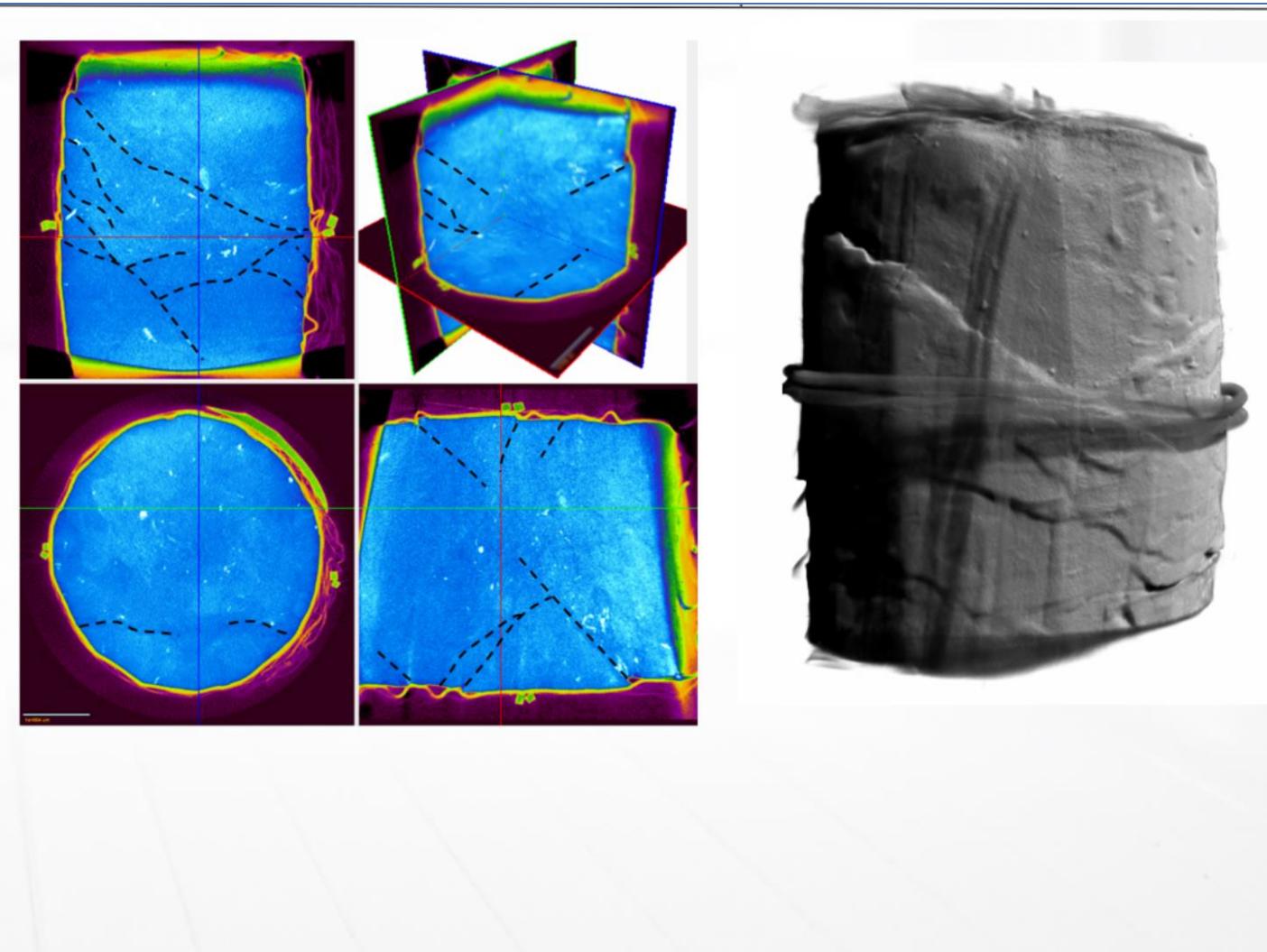


Table 8. X μ CT sample 1b recognition after multistage triaxial creep test starting from stress level=0.45 with presumptive shear planes (white lines) and stress field (red and orange arrows)

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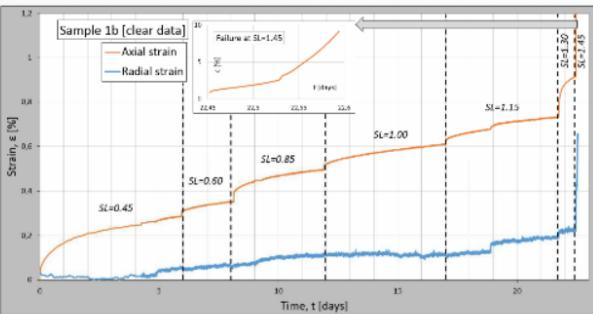


Fig. 8. The result of the multistage triaxial creep test of sample 1b – data after processing

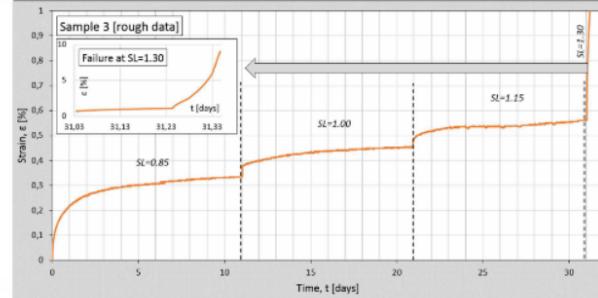


Fig. 10. The result of the multistage triaxial creep test of sample 3: A – rough data; B – data after processing

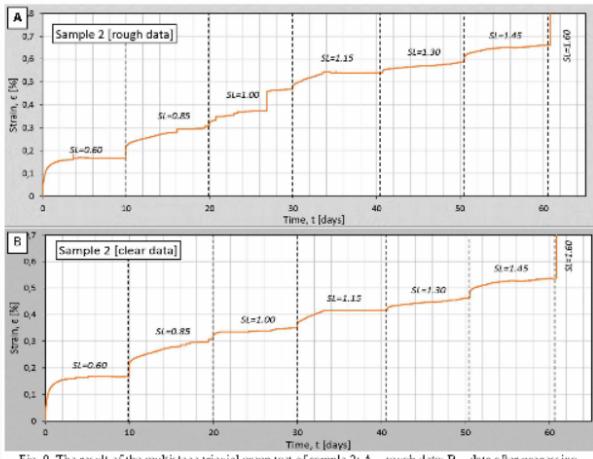


Fig. 9. The result of the multistage triaxial creep test of sample 2: A – rough data; B – data after processing

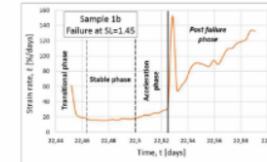


Fig. 11. Accelerating creep strain rate part of curve within characteristic phases distinguished for sample 1b

Table 9. Results for Multistage Triaxial Creep Tests

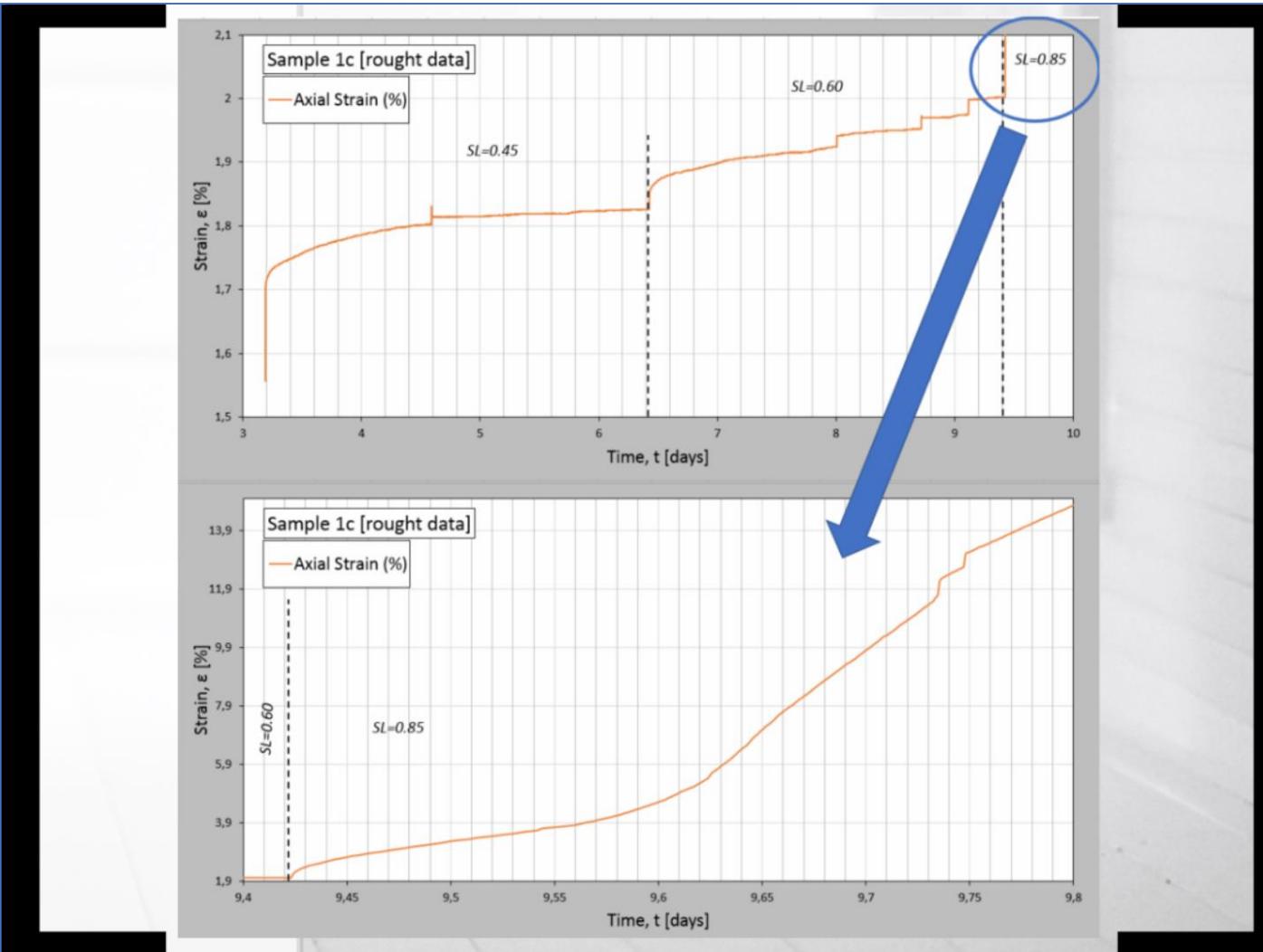
Sample	Stress level						Comments
	0.45	0.60	0.85	1.00	1.15	1.30	
1a	0.01 /-0.00 /-0.00		{0.02/0.01} av=0.01				Apparatus malfunction
1b	0.01/0.01	0.02	{0.04/ 0.02} av=0.03	0.02	{0.02/ 0.01} av=0.02	0.09	{18/102} av=60 (F)
2		-0.00	0.01	{0.01/ 0.02} av=0.01	-0.00	{0.01/ 0.01} av=0.01	11 (F)
3			{0.02-0} av=-0.0	{0.01-0} av=0.0	-0.00	{0.01-0} av=-0.00 av=-0.00	{2/70} av=27 (F)

/ – micro cracks or external interference

{ }av = average value for whole part of curve after cutting off strain jumps

(F) – failure

Mean value of measurement accuracy: 0.005



5. SUMMARY

The study identified the rheological strain course, which can be broken down into three characterizations: decreasing creep strain rate, transitional constant creep velocity, and accelerating creep deformation.

The study found that due to multistage creep loading, the samples were strengthened. Furthermore, there is a visibly “brittle” character of failure, which can be the consequence of redistribution of the microstructure as a function of time as well as collapse of voids. Due to the glacial tectonic of the analyzed samples, the reactivation of micro cracks might also serve as an explanation. The number of the various sizes of shear planes after failure is confirmed by XuCT overexposure.

From this study following conclusion can be drawn:

- There are three general creep course deformation characterizations: with increasing strain rate, the constant value of deformation, and with decreasing speed of deformation. The creep with increasing strain rate can be broken down into three phases: transitional, stable and accelerating with following failure moment.
- The change of rate strain is similar during the various creep deformation stages up to the stage before the failure, followed by an apparent increase.
- At the destructive stress level after the accelerating creep, the plastic flow occurs. It is worth noting that during the plastic flow the structure impact is observed in the form of abrupt changes of strain rate.
- Under multistage constant creep stress level started below maximum deviatoric stress of the tested sample in the in situ stress state, Neogene clay samples strengthening in function of time.
- The samples under multistage creep stress condition started from 0.45 and 0.60 maximum deviatoric stress obtained higher strengthen than the sample under multistage creep stress condition started from 0.85 deviatoric stress.
- XuCT has improved it is useful for shear plane analysis as well as micro cracks identification and for selection of representative samples series. Furthermore, this method enables for calculation of shear plane angle which is strongly correlated with strength characteristic of the sample (especially with internal friction angle).

**More detailed
summary**





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