

# **FUNCTION AND BENEFIT OF BOUNDARY ACTIVE COATINGS**

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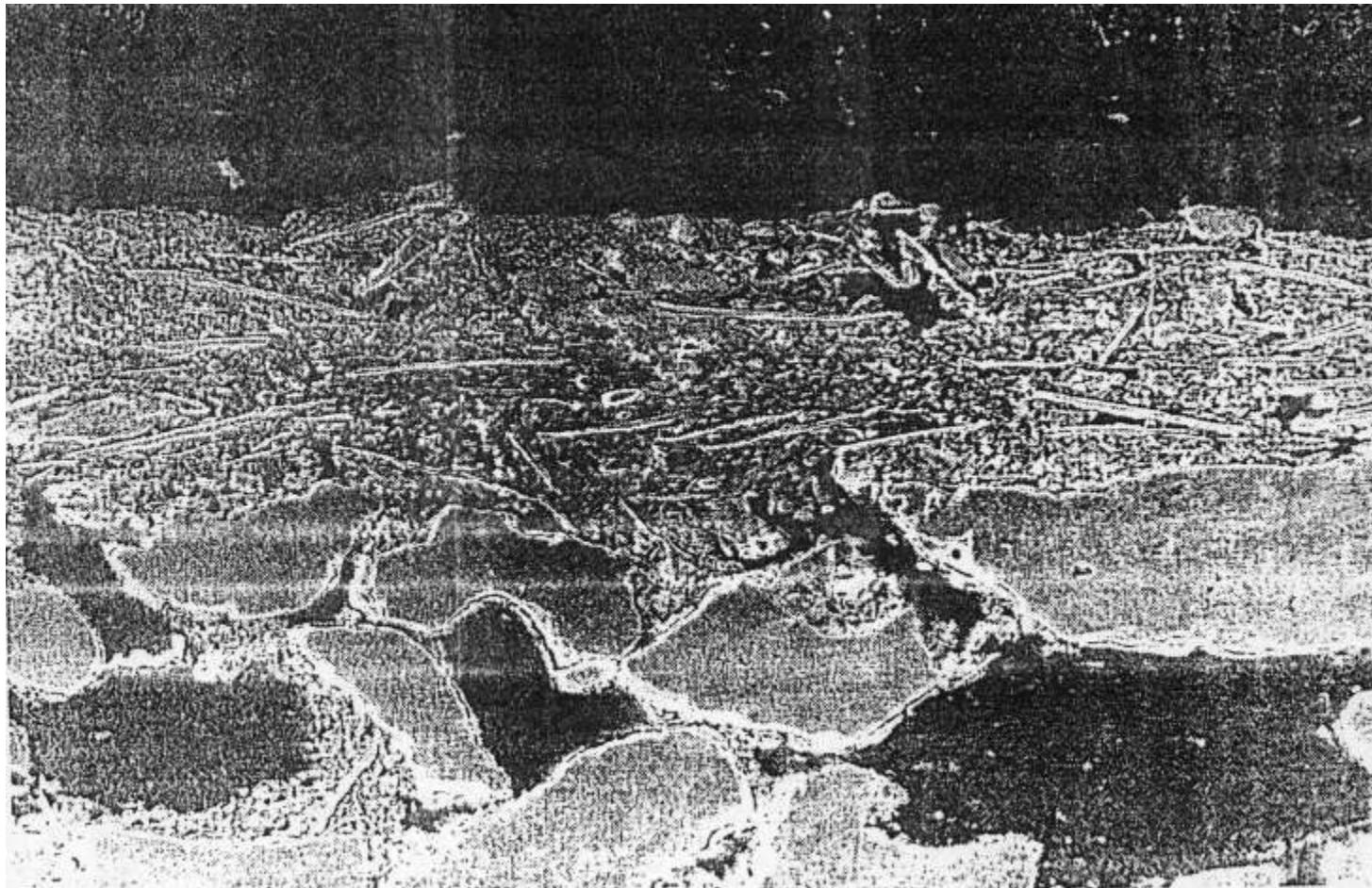
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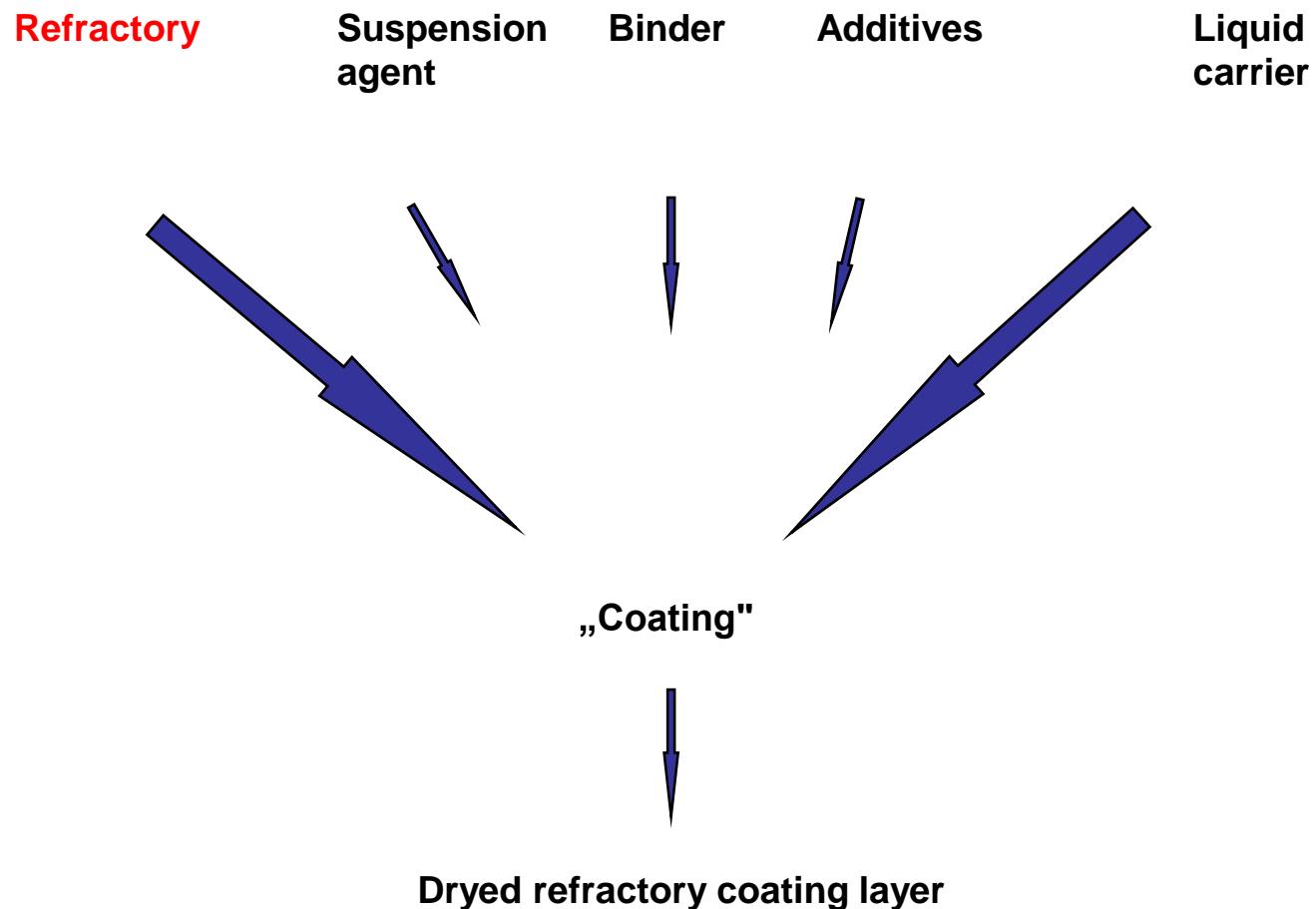
# The importance of coatings

## **Section of a coated ColdBox-mould substrate,**

REM-Aufnahme, Vergr. 80x, Quelle: Gießerei-Praxis Nr. 6-1993

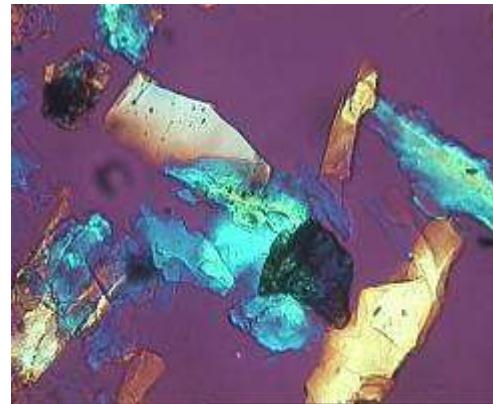
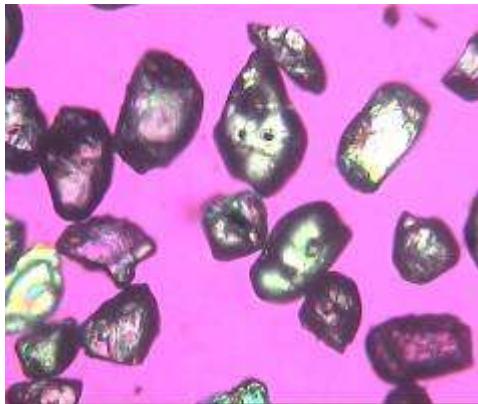


# How are coatings designed?

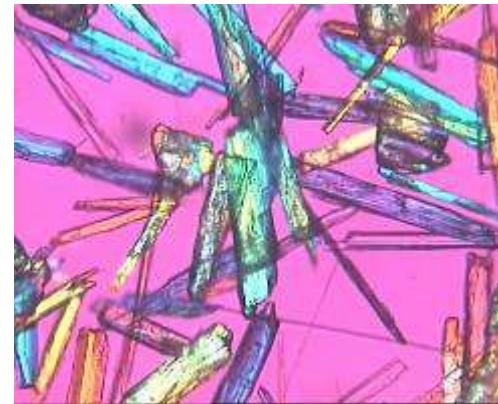


# Types of coatings

- Grains -

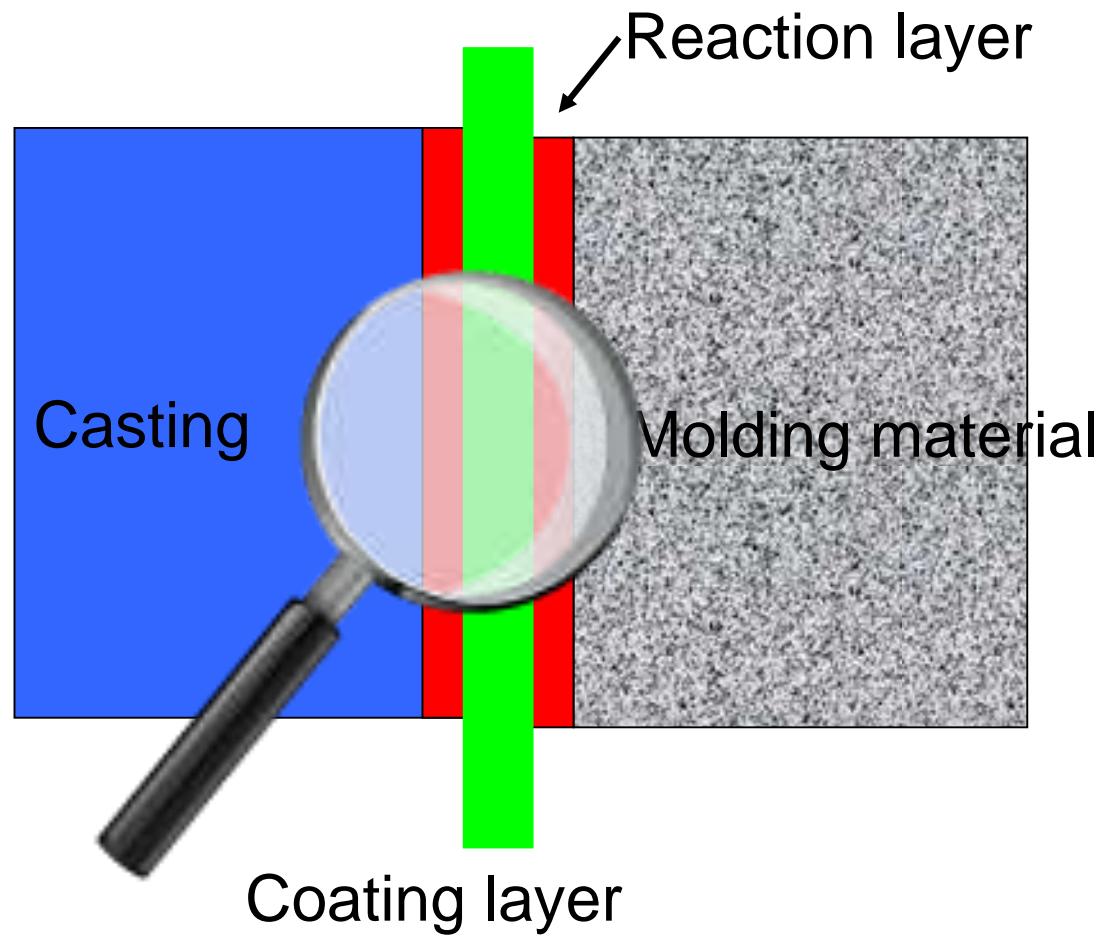


- Plates-



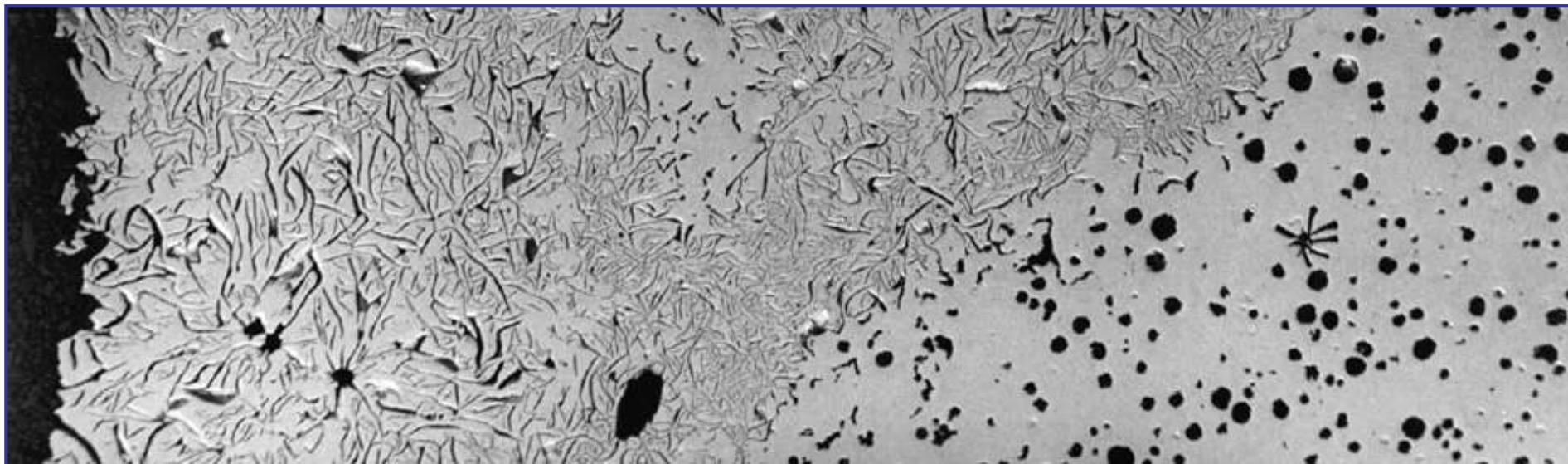
Refractory	Density g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Meltingpoint °C	Morphology	Chemical formula	Application
Zircon-silicate	4,6	2200	angular	ZrSiO <sub>4</sub>	Steel
Corundum	4,0	2050	angular	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Steel
Magnesite	3,7	2800	angular	MgO	Manganese steel
Mullite	3,16	1700	angular	3 Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> · 2 SiO <sub>2</sub>	Iron
Graphite	2,3	3700	Plates	C	Iron, Aluminium
Kaolinite	2,65	> 1700	Plates	Al <sub>2</sub> ((OH) <sub>4</sub> /Si <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> )	Iron
Pyrophyllite	2,8	1600	Plates	Al <sub>2</sub> ((OH) <sub>2</sub> /Si <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> )	Iron, Aluminium
Talc	2,8	> 1000 max. 1430	Plates	Mg <sub>3</sub> ((OH) <sub>2</sub> /AlSi <sub>4</sub> O <sub>10</sub> )	Iron, Aluminium
Mica	2,85	> 900	Plates	KAl <sub>2</sub> ((OH) <sub>2</sub> /AlSi <sub>3</sub> O <sub>10</sub> )	Iron, Aluminium

# Reaction with coatings



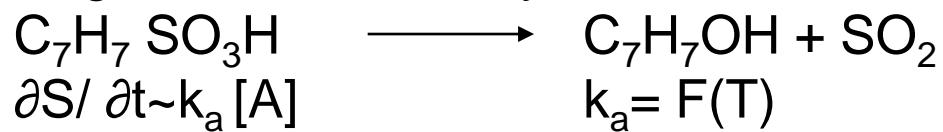
# Prevention of graphite degeneration

# Graphite degeneration



# Formation mechanism

1. Degeneration of catalyst



2. Transport of  $\text{SO}_2$  to the surface

$$\partial S / \partial t \sim \eta [B]$$

3. Reaction with sulphur stop

$$\partial S / \partial t \sim -k_c [C] [Ca] \quad k_b = F(T)$$

4. Pick up of  $\text{SO}_2$  into the melt

$$\partial S / \partial t \sim k_d [D]$$

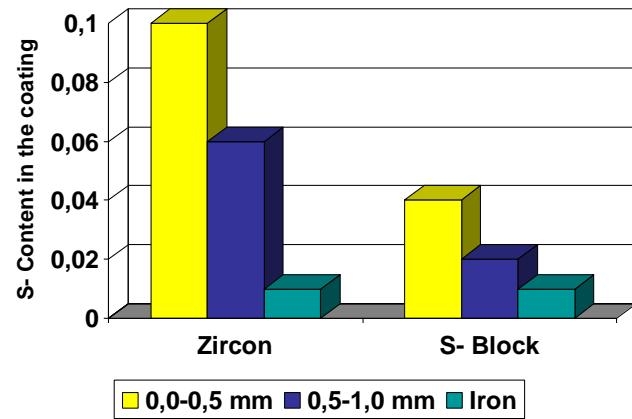
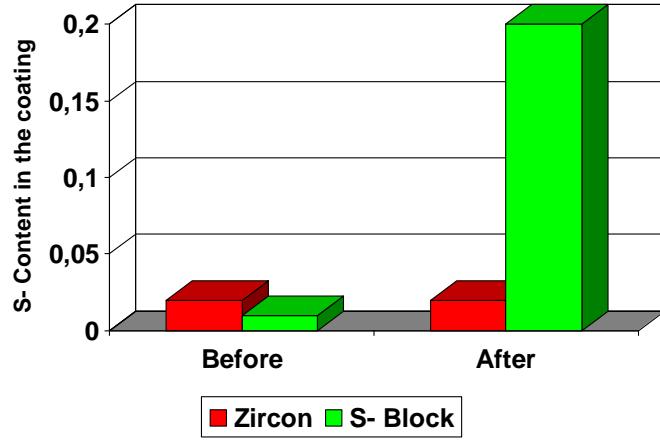
5. Reduction of  $\text{SO}_2$

$$\partial S / \partial t \sim k_e [E]$$

# Graphite degeneration

- Steel and ductile iron (GJS) are sensitive towards the sulfur absorption from the No-Bake-System
- The sulfur absorption can be reduced with the sulfur reduced No-Bake-System (Askuran RS system)
- Sulfur absorbing coatings are an effective protection against graphite degeneration
- Sealing coatings

# Graphite degeneration



# Nodular graphite degradation

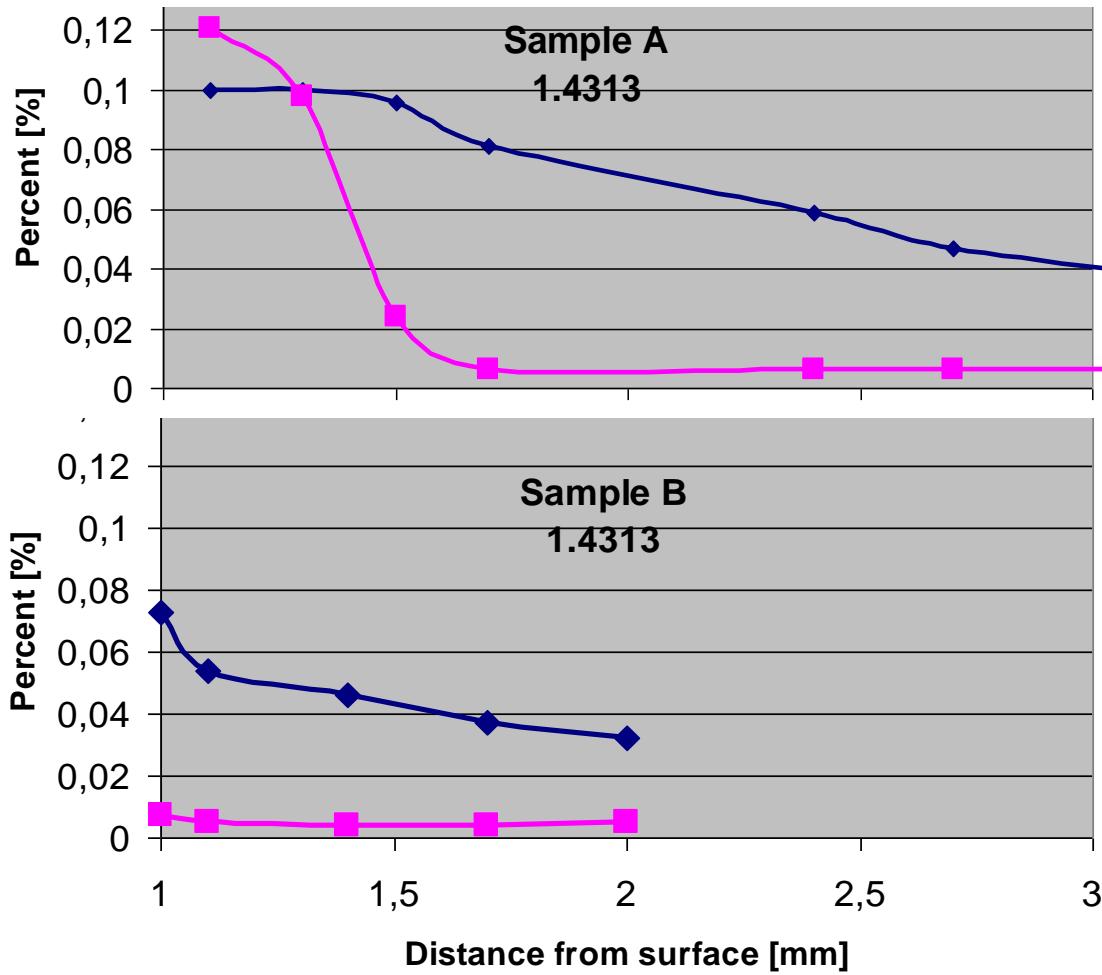


Sample	1. Layer	2. Layer
A	Zirconium	Zirconium
B	Silico 200 P A	Silico 200 P

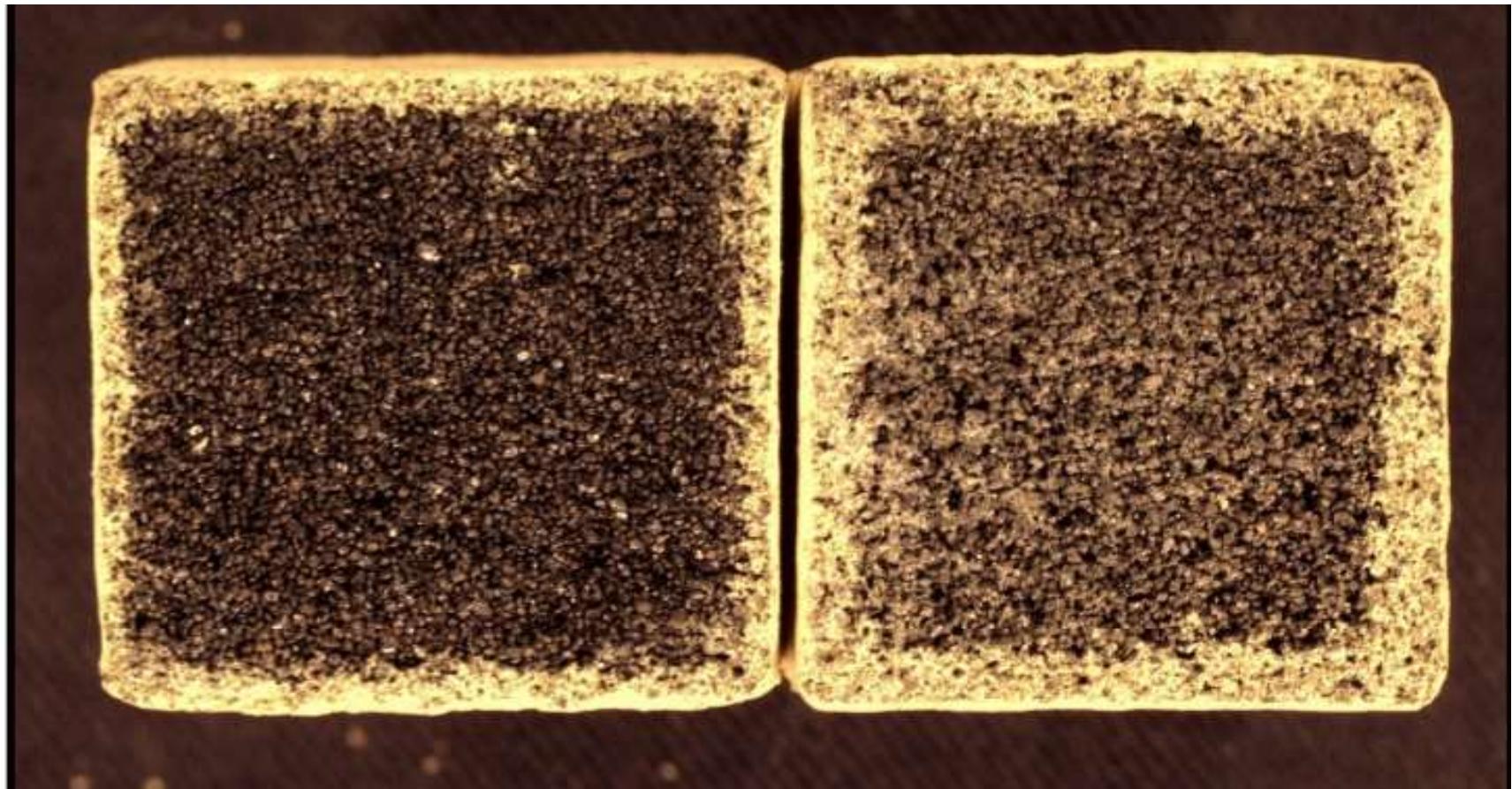
- Alloy 1.4313
- Pouring temperature 1560°C

C [%]	Si [%]	Mn [%]	P [%]	S [%]	Cr [%]	Ni [%]	N [%]	Al [%]
0,028	0,39	0,77	0,018	0,006	12,4	3,77	0,027	0,032

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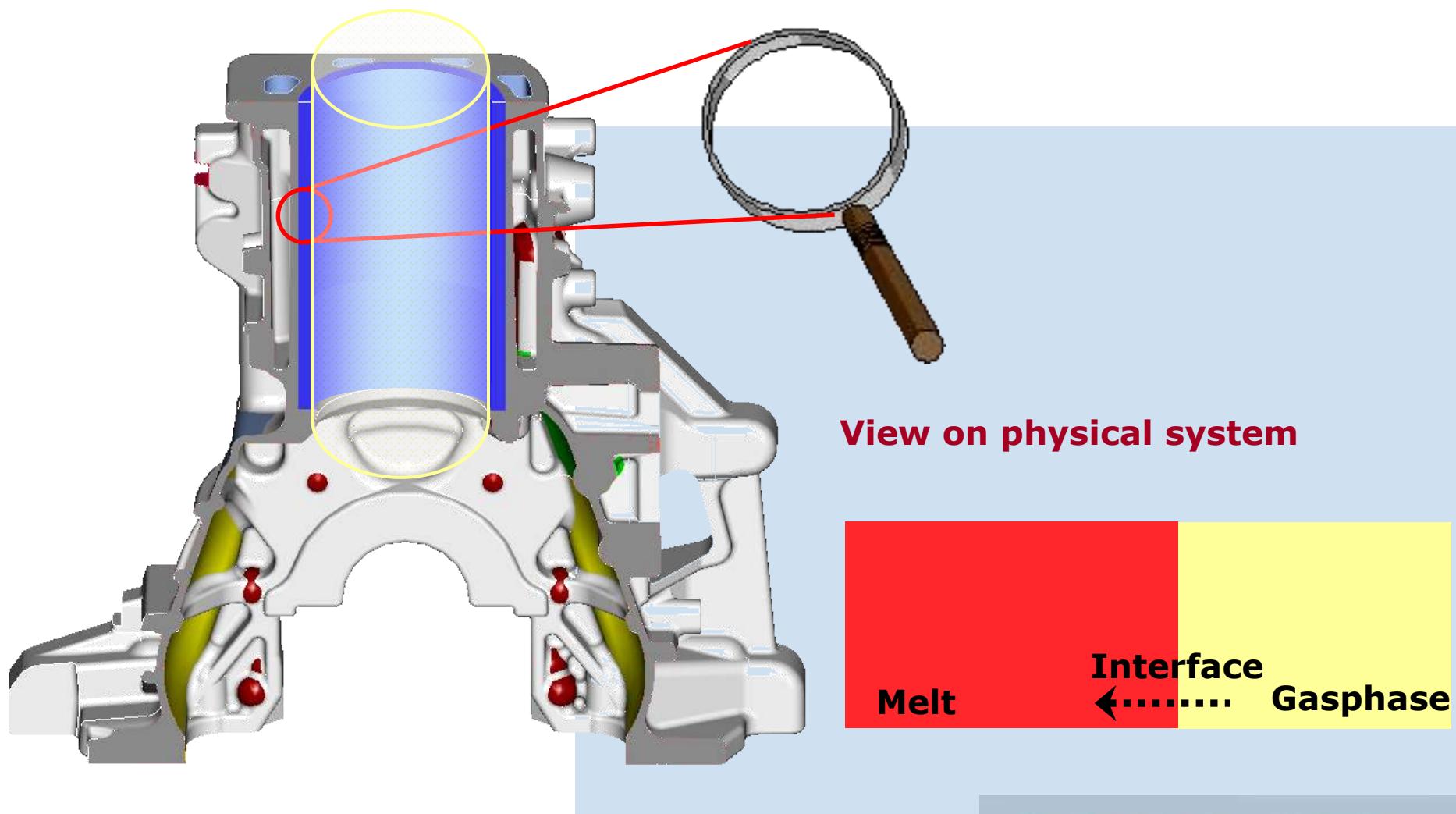
# Thin walled castings



Impregnation Coating is forgiving less compaction

# Formation of graphite degeneration

# Gradient casting



**View on physical system**

Melt

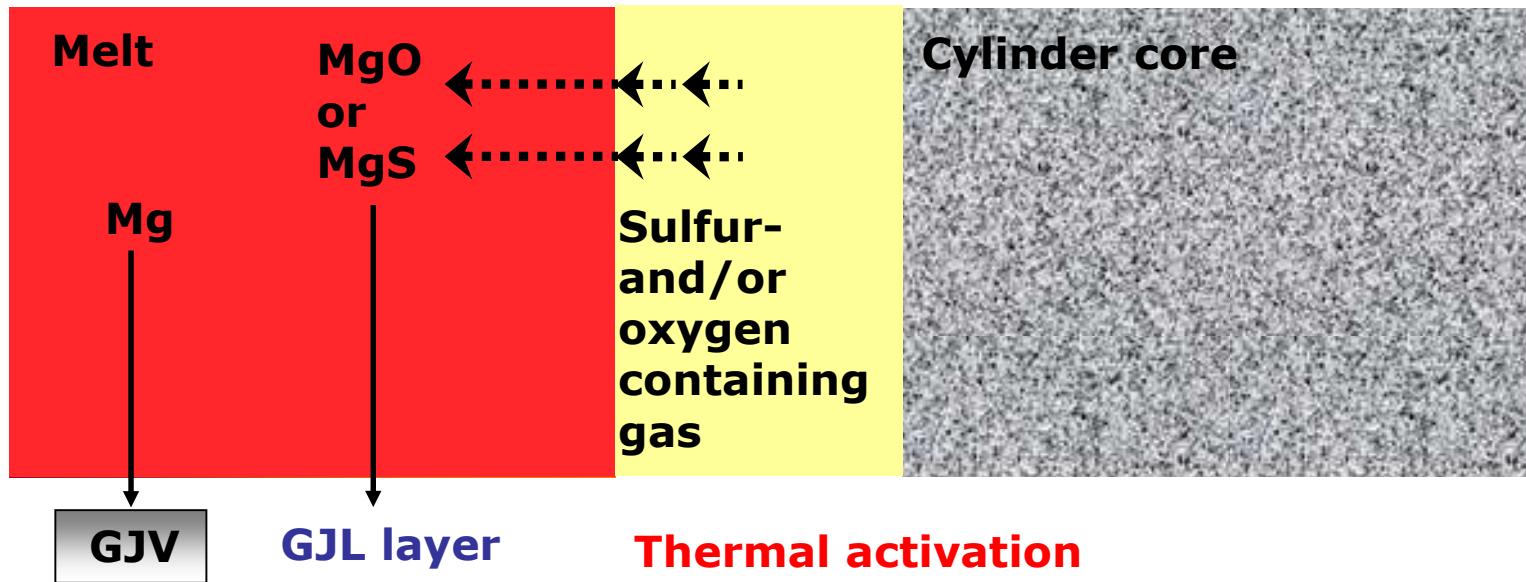
Interface  
←..... Gasphase

**HALBERG GUSS**

# Gradient casting

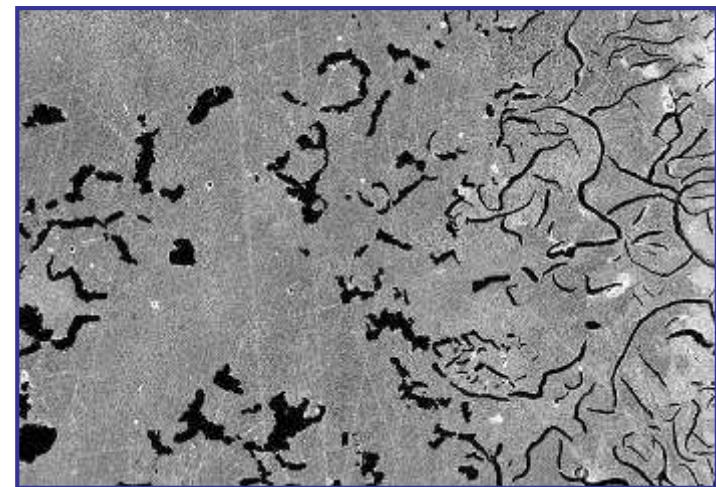


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Leads to the formation of GJV  
Aktiver für die Graphitausbildung entscheidender Gehalt??



Thermal activation  
of the additive by the  
temperature emission of the melt

# Gradient casting



**Cylinder surface**

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Scarred surface  
by GJS

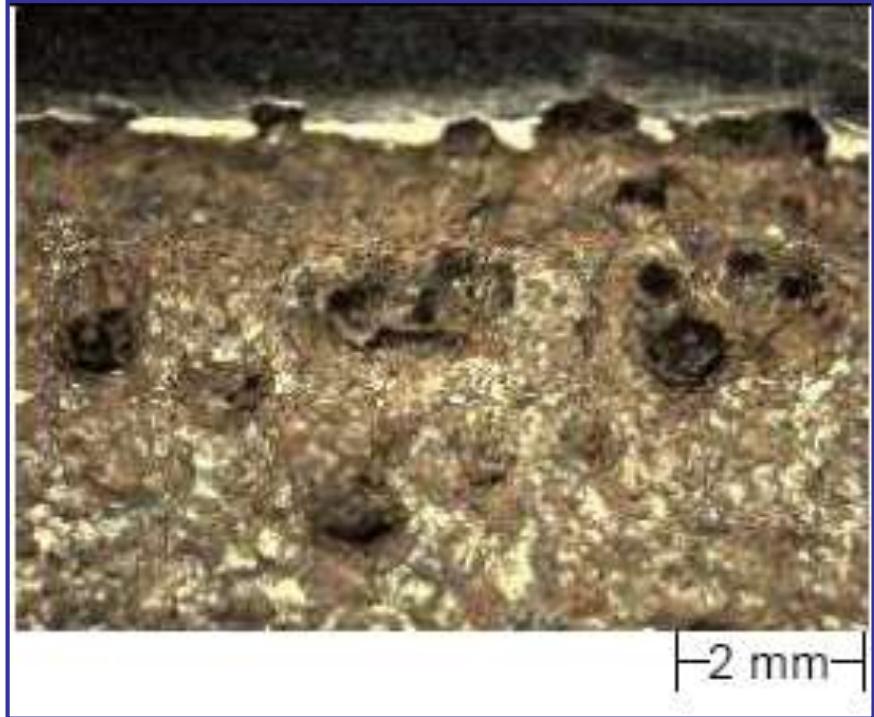
## Reactions with GJS



# Sand Metal Reactions



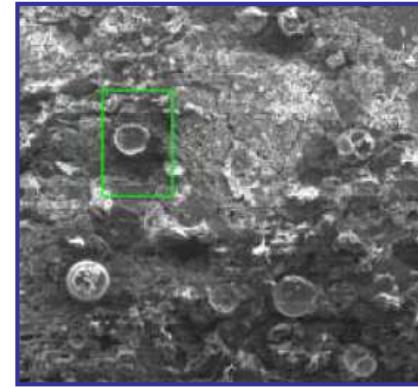
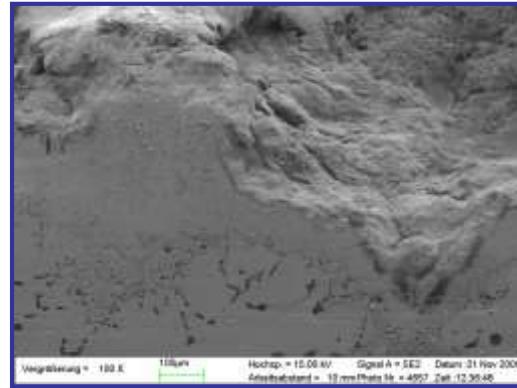
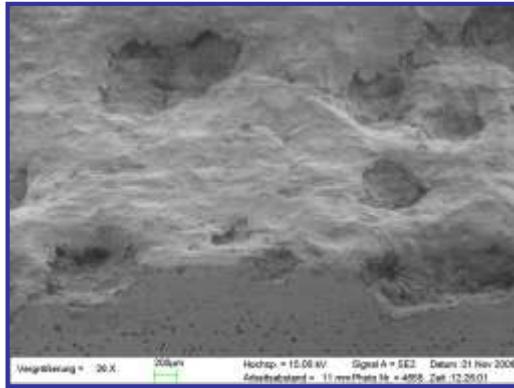
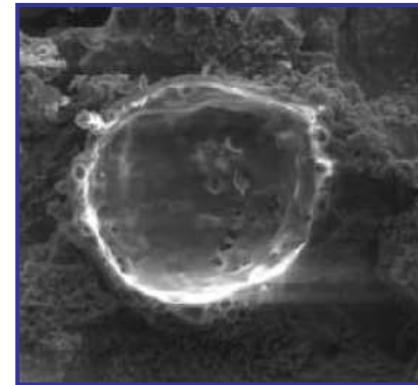
Reaction layer



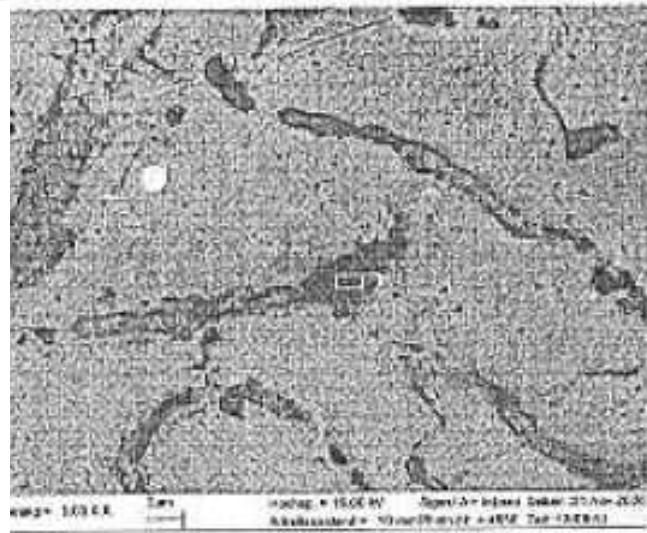
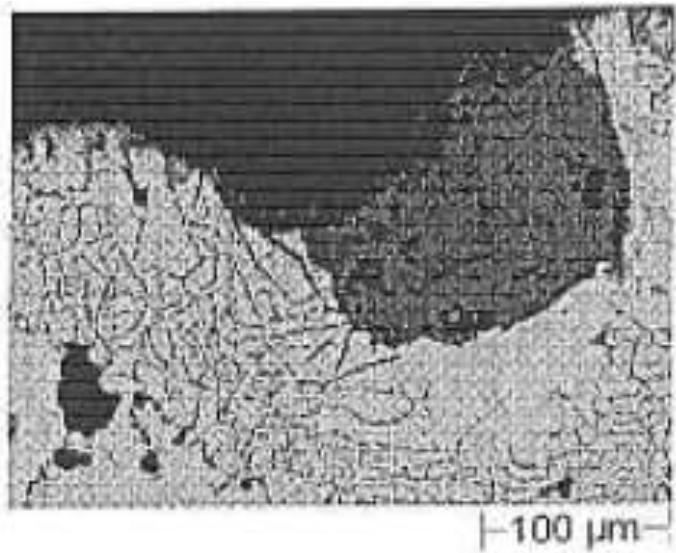
Casting surface

# Scarred surface with holes

- Former liquid  $\text{FeO}_x$ -phase
- Scarred surface with holes
- Reaction layer and –products
- Blow structure



# Area with reaction layers

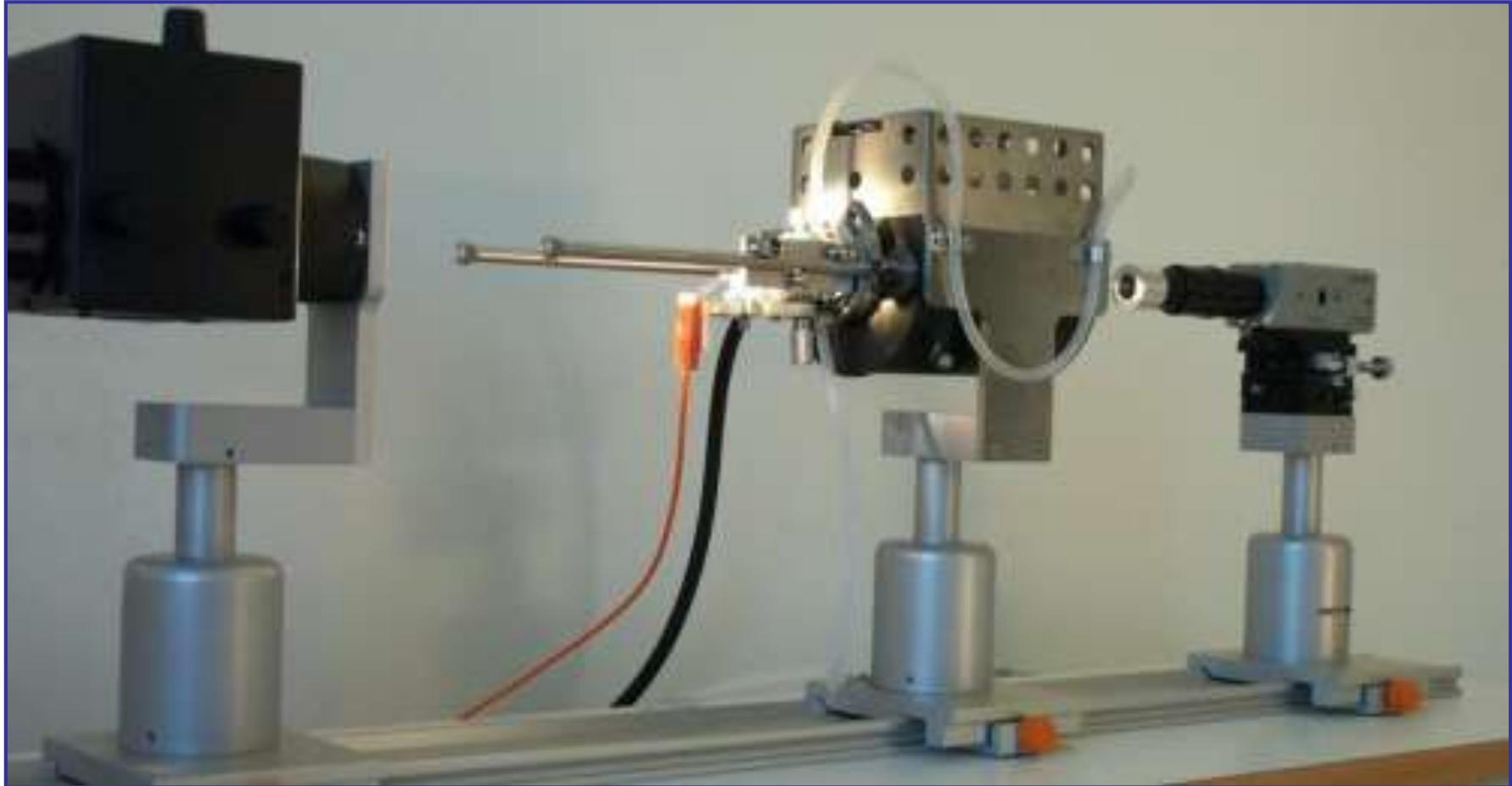


- Lamellar SiCxOy

# Foam- and defect formation

- Creation of high viscous melt
- Foam expanse by gas pressure
- Presses against casting and sand
- Function of
  - Freezing alloy
  - Viscosity of the oxidized phase
  - Gas pressure
- Pressure has to escape -> defect in casting
  - comparison: PU-Foam, Pop-Corn

# Building of glass and foam like structure

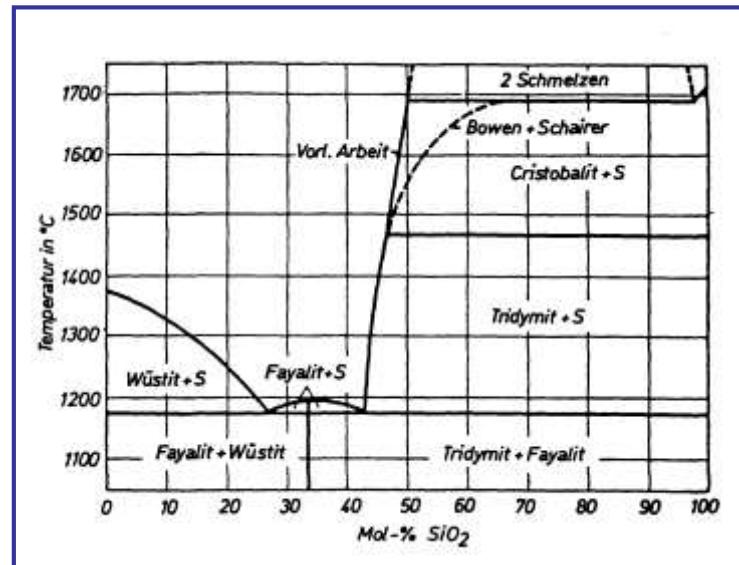


# Building of glass and foam like structure



# Liquid phase in mold

- Melting point degradation in mold or melt
  - Na, K, Mg, Ca, Al, Ti, S, P -> Oxides are problematic
- Requirements: oxygen in melt
  - mp dross lower
- FeO-SiO<sub>2</sub>-System
  - Eutektika at about 1180 °C
  - Further degradation

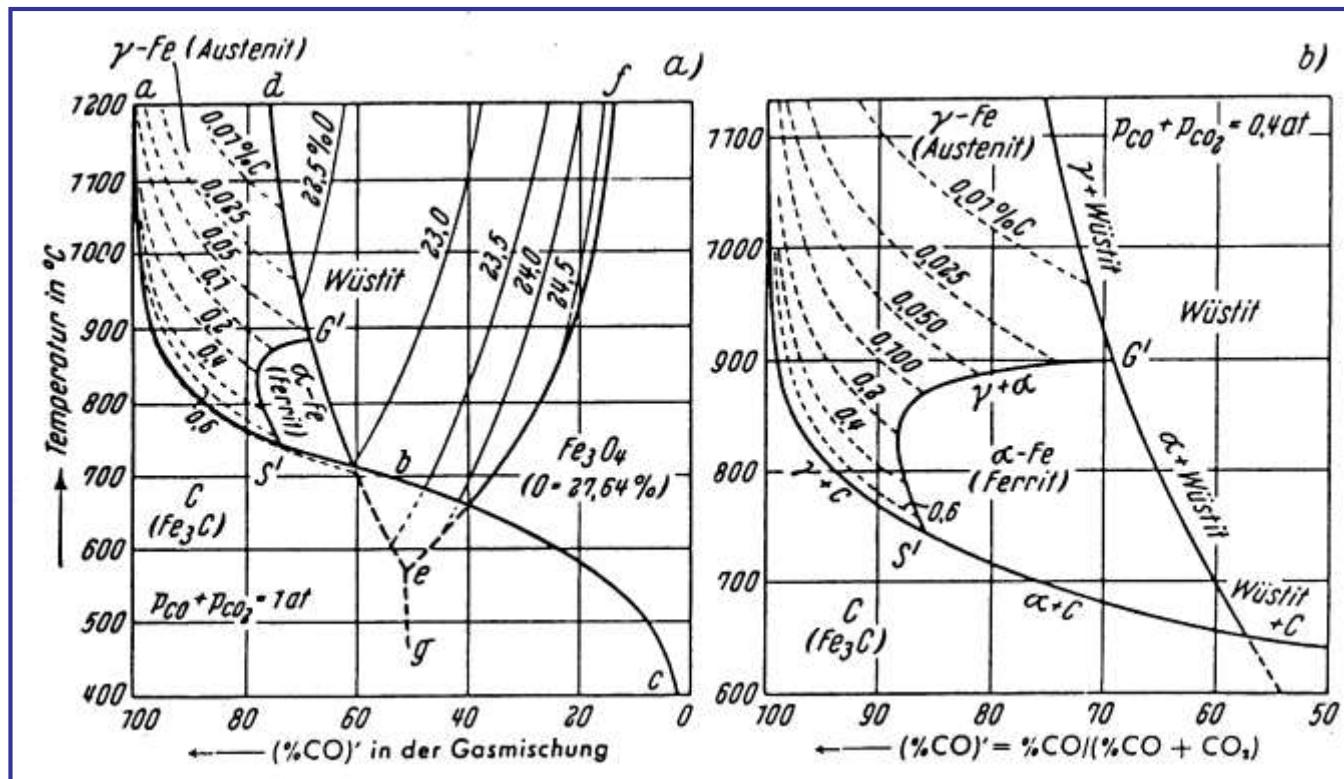


# Gas pressure

- Gases are build by pyrolysis
  - Regenerated sand
  - Binder
  - Additive
  - Coating
- Air in sand holes

# Formation of holes

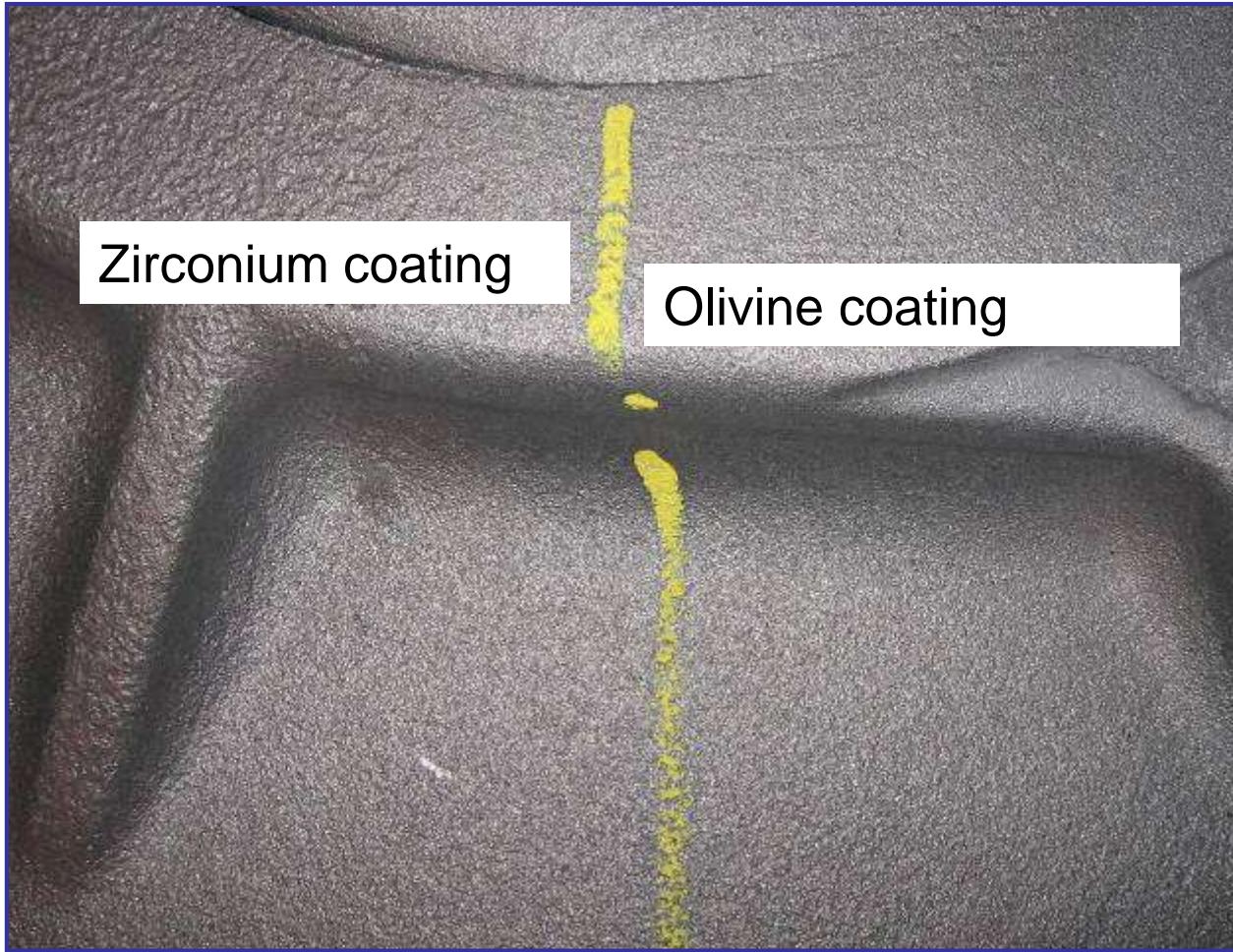
- Connection with Baur-Glässner-Diagram
  - Iron oxidations to FeO control by the CO-CO<sub>2</sub>-equation



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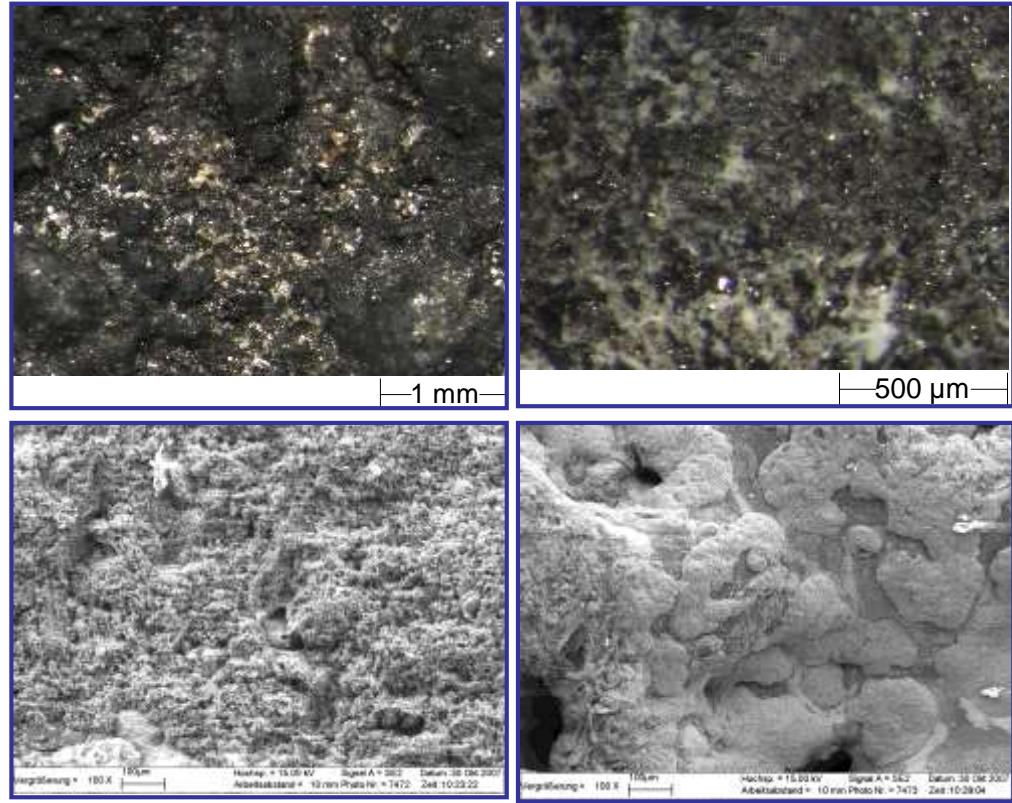
- Defect can be avoid by iron oxide containing additives instead of woodflour additives -> influence on the atmospheres
- Application of a coating with high gas permeability

# Scarred surface



# White and black surface

- White surface
  - Oxide melt
  - high Si- and O-content  
=>  $\text{SiO}_2$
  - less Fe-Oxides
  - C-inclusions
- Black surface
  - Mainly  $\text{FeO}$
  - Lower Si- and O-content
  - Melting point degradation

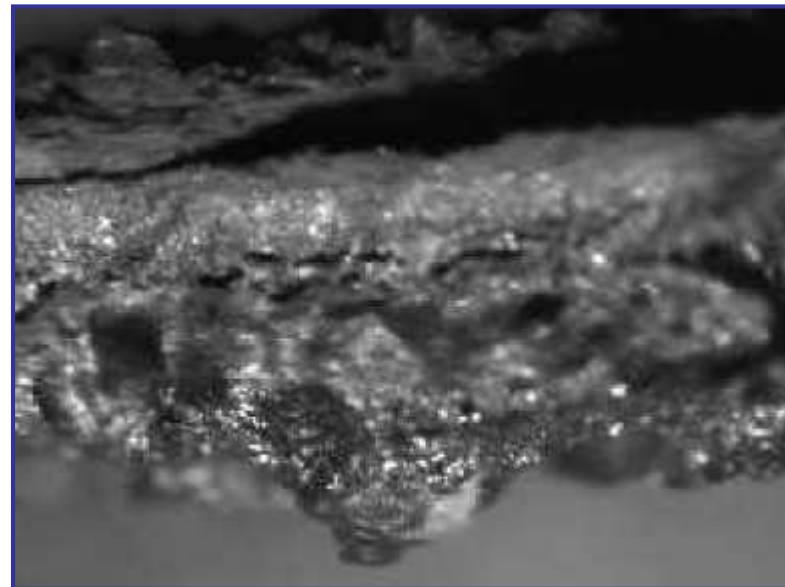


# Reaction of chromite sand in steel castings

# Steel casting: chromite sand



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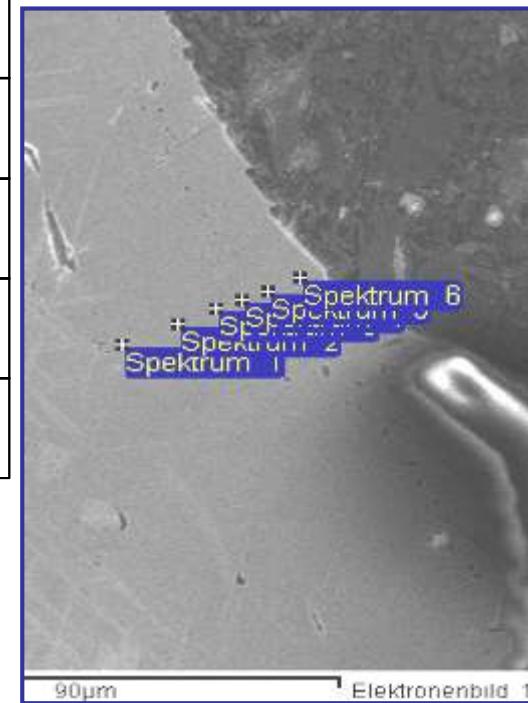


# Chromite sand after annealing at 1500°C 0,5h in air

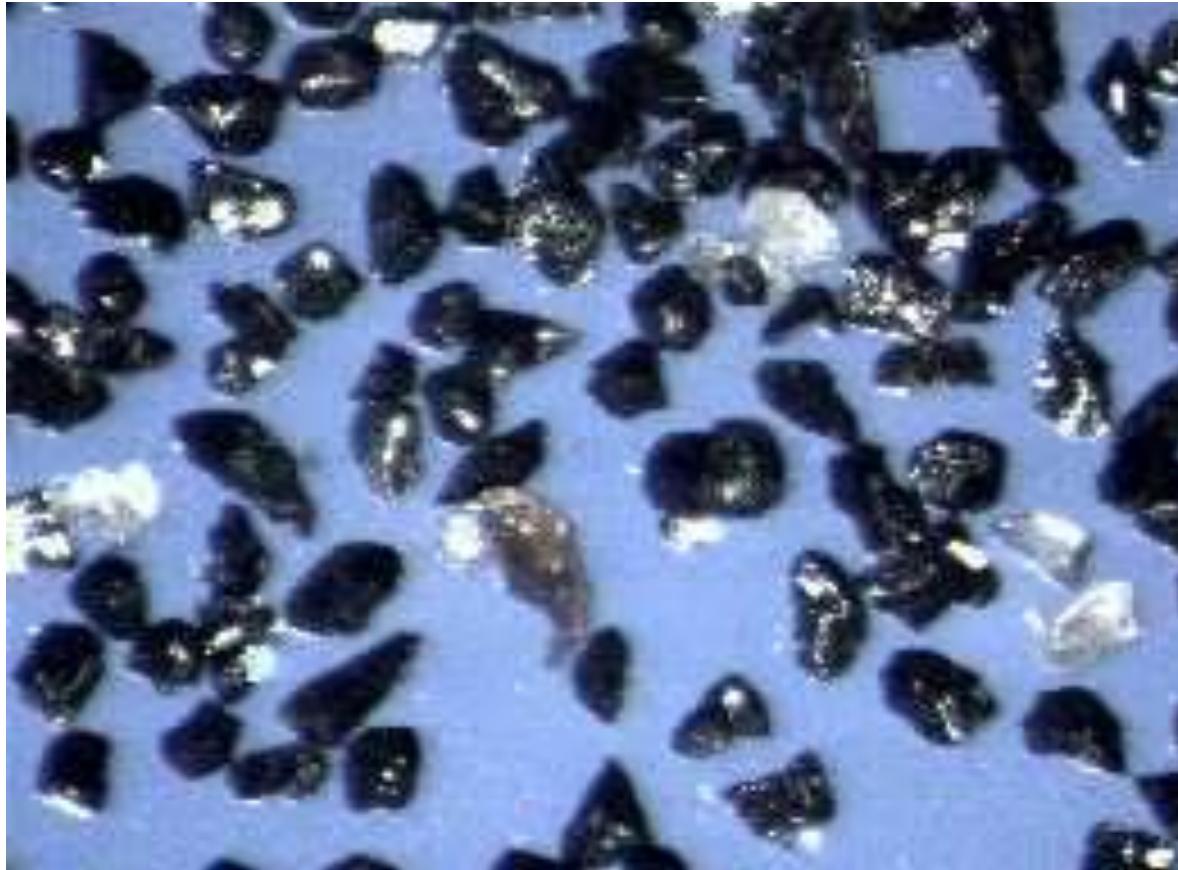
Spektrum	Mg	Al	Cr	Fe
Spektrum 1	7,63	5,13	32,55	26,29
Spektrum 2	7,77	5,74	24,06	34,57
Spektrum 3	7,92	6,42	20,72	37,61
Spektrum 4	7,77	6,37	19,64	39,29
Spektrum 5	7,58	5,85	18,65	41,49
Spektrum 6	7,70	5,89	19,42	39,56

inside

outside



# Steel casting: chromite sand

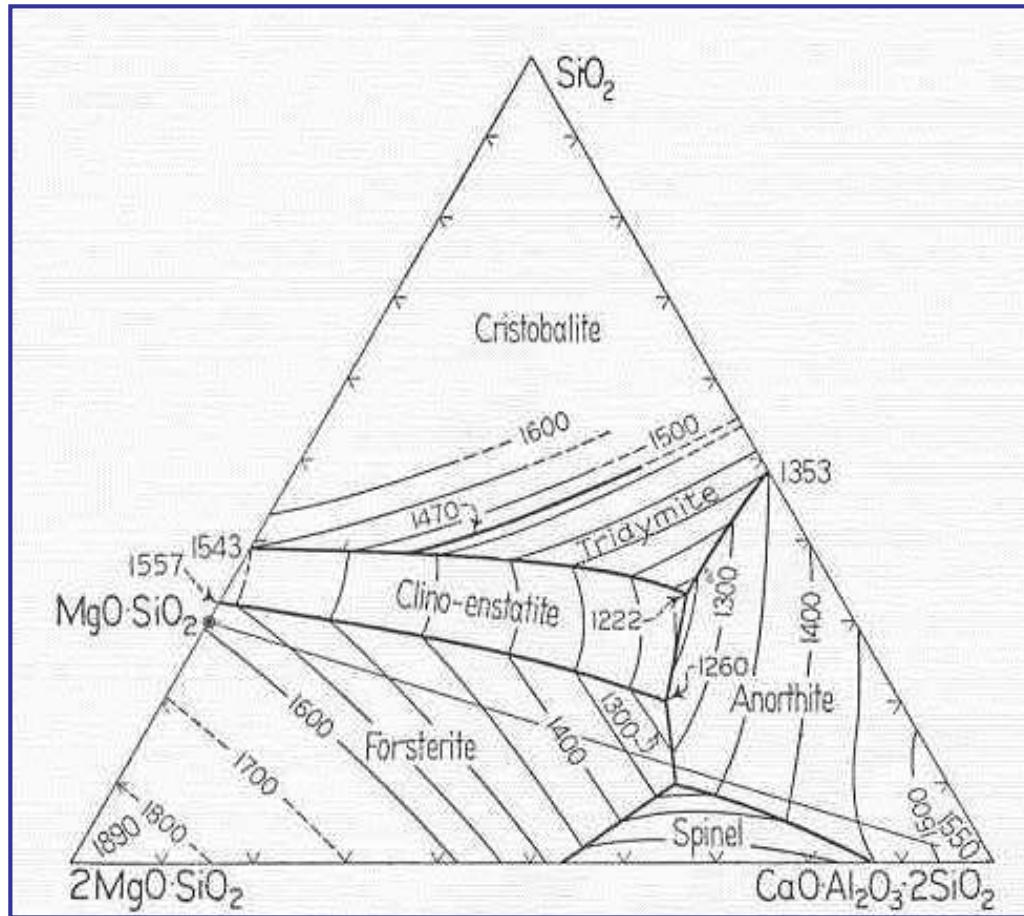


500  $\mu\text{m}$

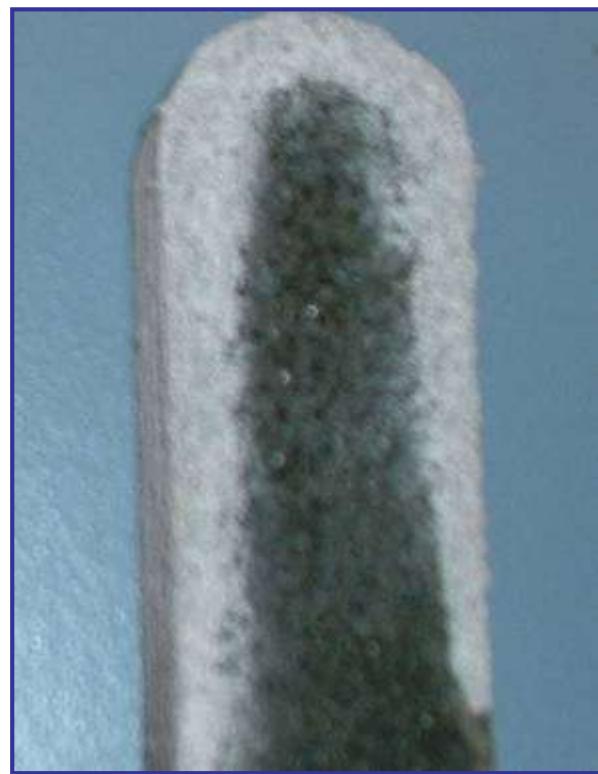
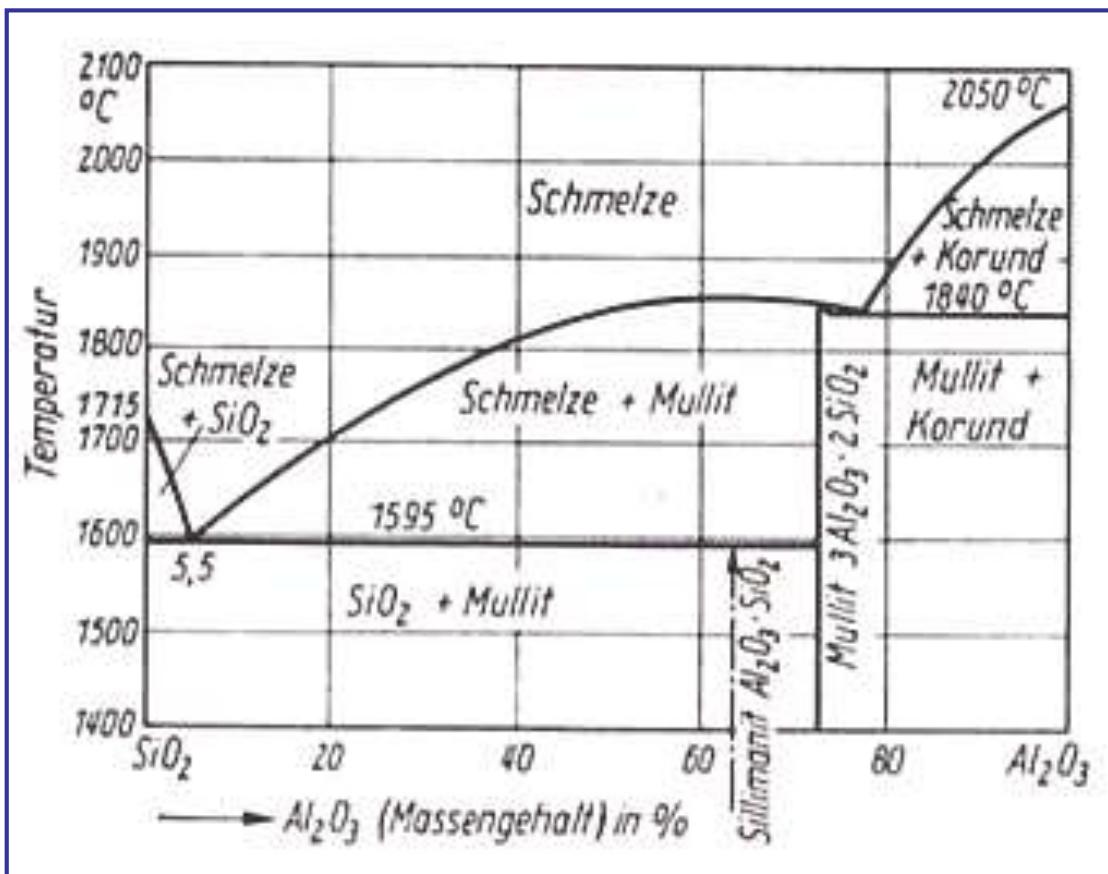
## Steel casting: chromite sand

- ▶ Melting point Diopsid: 1392 °C
- ▶ Melting point Anortith: 1553 °C
- ▶ Melting point of mixture Diopsid + Anortith:  
**1274 °C**

# Steel casting: chromite sand



# Steel casting: chromite sand



Silico L 200 A

# Summary

- The right coating can prevent metallurgical defects or can create them by purpose
- Reaction defects in GJS can be avoided or suppressed with the right coating, that controls the causal creation of reaction gases
- Reaction of the coating with low quality chromite sand can increase the refractoriness and avoid unwanted defects