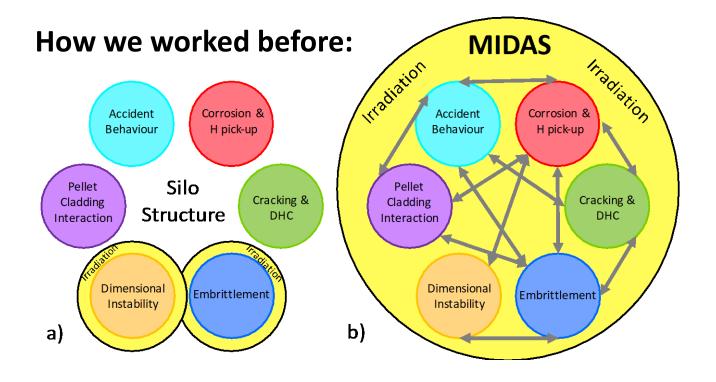


# Mechanistic understanding of MIDAS Irradiation Damage in fuel ASsemblies







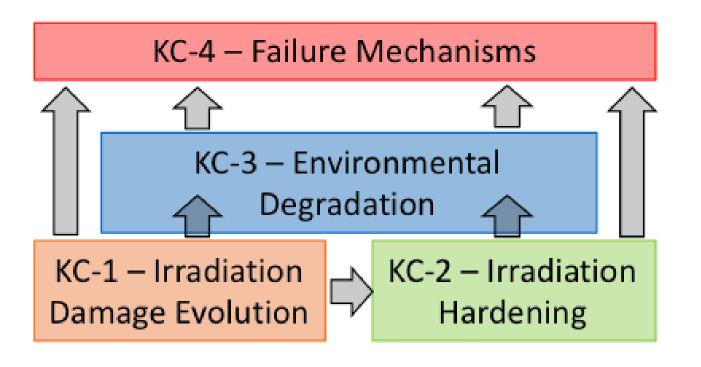


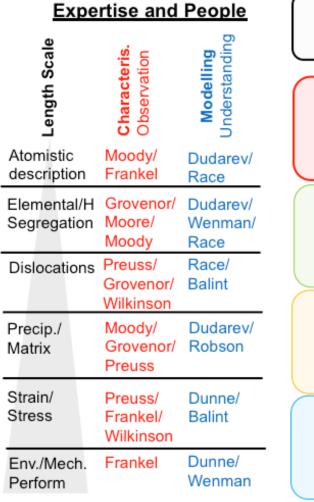
# Key Challenges and Expertise



Independent Advisory Board (academia

and industry)





Management Group KC-1: Race **Preuss** Irradiation progress monitoring of KC1-4 Damage KC-2: Preuss **Balint** Irradiation Hardening KC-3: Grovenor Wenman Environmental Degradation KC-4: Dunne Frankel Failure

Mechanism

Impact Monitoring Working Group

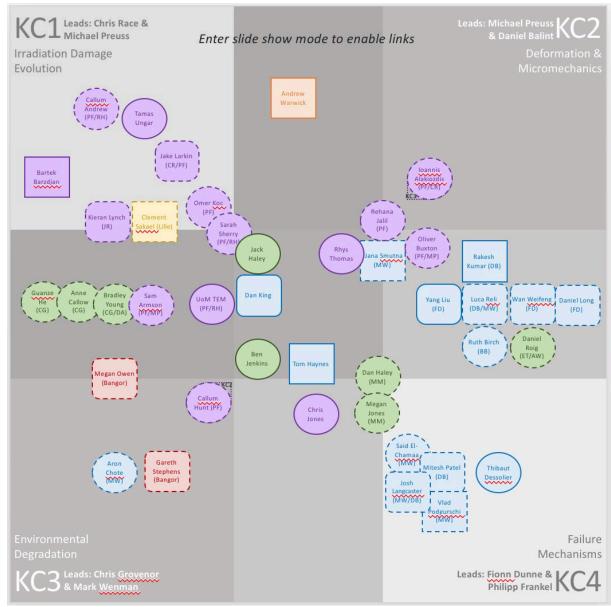






# MIDAS Community:





#### 11 PDRAs

- 1 CCFE, 5 Imperial, 2 Oxford, 3 UoM.
- 5 Experimental, 4 Modelling, 2 joint.

#### 31 related PhDs

- 10 Imperial, 6 Oxford, 10 UoM, 5 from other institutions.
- 18 Experimental, 4 Modelling, 9 joint Mod./Exp.
- 11 directly MIDAS affiliated
  - RR, EdF, WH, Jacobs, self funded



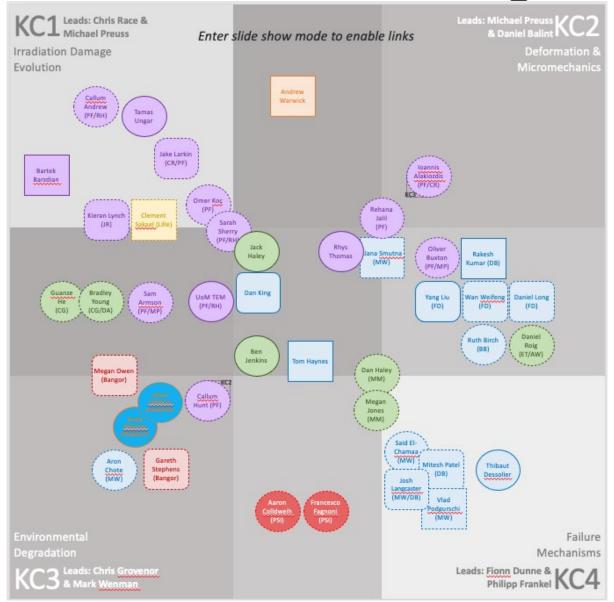




## **MIDAS**

# Growing the Community





- Affiliated institutions
  - UK → international programme













- Keen international engagement
  - USA, Switzerland, Sweden, France, Canada, Australia
  - MIDAS gives update to NFIR meetings

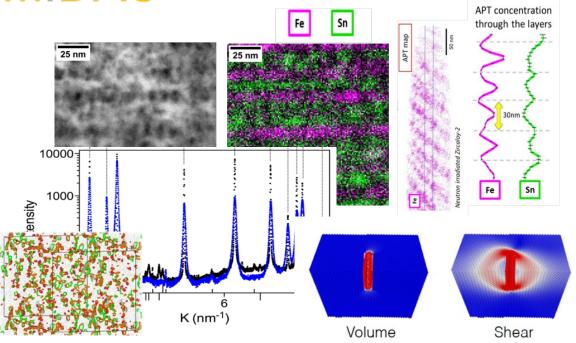




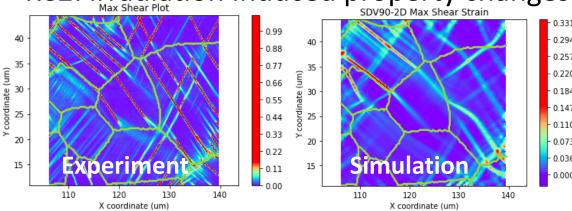


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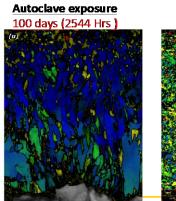


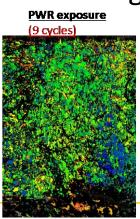
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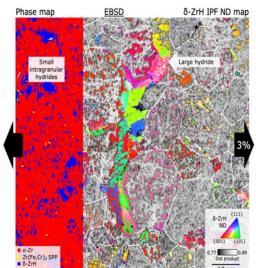
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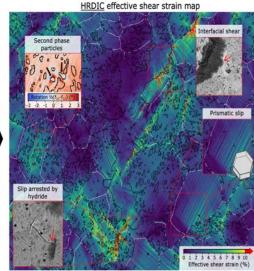
#### KC3: Environmental degradation Autoclave exposure **PWR** exposure





Active facilities: NNL, MRF, DCF, DLS, HRI















## PDRA posts



Recruiting: 3 posts - jobs.manchester.ac.uk

- Using theory and simulation to improve x-ray line profile analysis of dislocation loops - Chris Race
- Understanding corrosion & failure mechanisms of irradiated zirconium alloys by advanced microscopy - Joe Robson

 Modelling Second Phase Precipitate Evolution in Zirconium Alloys under **Irradiation** - Katie Moore & Phil Frankel



