## Correlative Study On Microstructure And Mechanical Behavior Of Chondrite Meteorite

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# **Motivation and Objectives**

### Motivation

- Meteorite provides opportunity to infer properties of parent body
- A through understanding of meteorite **structure-property relation** is required for:
  - Formation / fragmentation study
  - Impact risk mitigation
  - Simulation model
- Research Objectives
  - Establish comprehensive understanding of Aba Panu (L3)
  - Investigate relations through correlative characterization techniques
    - Structural Characterization
    - Mechanical Behavior



## **Structural Characterization**

- Correlate non-destructive 3D XRT analysis with detailed 2D examination
  - XRT volume scan to non-destructively obtain 3D structural information





X-ray Tomography

1000 μm







## **Structural Characterization**

- Correlate non-destructive 3D XRT analysis with detailed 2D examination
  - Electron spectroscopy reveals local structural details and phase composition

# SEM and EDS 2D analysis for microstructure and phase identification



# 1000 µm



#### Correlative result of **3D** phase special distribution

## **Mechanical Behavior**

- Mechanical Behavior of Individual Meteorite Phases
  - Precise micro modulus and hardness via Continuous Stiffness Measurement (CSM) technique using nanoindentation
  - Combined mechanical response of lamellar matrix using Vickers hardness test

Basic Components of Instrumented Indentation Tester and load calculation



# Individual phase modulus/hardness measurement







# **Summary and Future work**

#### Summary

#### Structural Characterization

- 3D Phase distribution via non-destructive X-ray tomography
- 2D composition analysis + detail structure observation
- Mechanical Behavior
  - Micro modulus/hardness of individual phase via Nanoindentation
  - Combined response of matrix via Vickers Hardness test

	Metallic Phases			Mineral Solid solutions		Matrix
	Kamacite	Troilite	Chromite	Olivine	Pyroxene	Matrix
Modulus (GPa)	211.3	108.0	153.1	202.7	157.9	х
Hardness (GPa)	3.3	3.9	16.7	16.4	12.7	651.1 <b>MPa</b>



#### Future work

- Scale dependent structure-properties relations investigation
- Expand research scope to multiple meteorite types
- Provide solid results for simulation model construction



# Thank you for listening!

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