

# Epitaksjalne warstwy CoO(111)/Fe(110) i NiO(111)/Fe(110) czyli jak ferromagnetyk steruje antyferromagnetykiem



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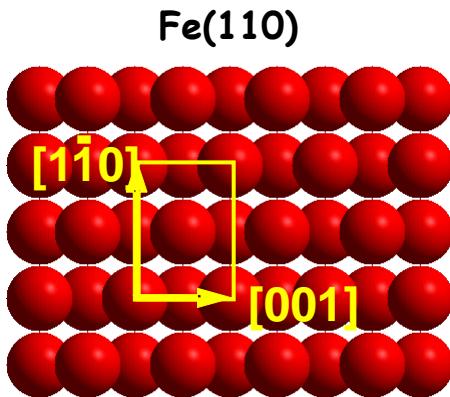
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# Plan prezentacji

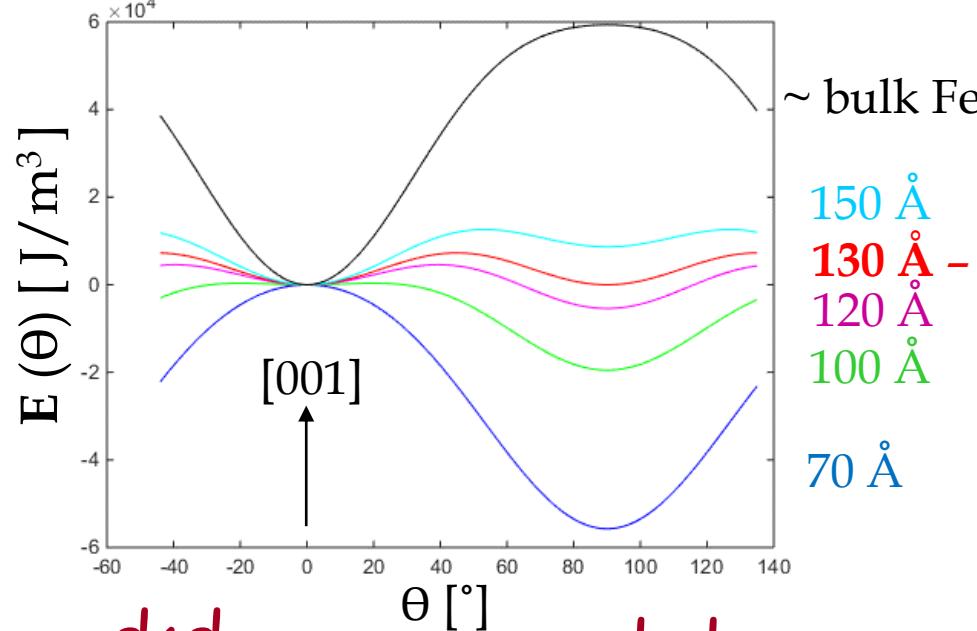
- Inżynieria anizotropii magnetycznej na powierzchni Fe(110):
  - **Reorientacja spinowa (SRT) w Fe(110)**
  - Au/Fe(110)
- Inżynieria anizotropii magnetycznej w **antyferromagnetykach**:
  - Efekt polaryzacji wymiennej (Exchange Bias)
  - CoO(111)/Fe(110) – „zamrażanie” spinów AFM
  - NiO(111)/Fe(110) – reorientacja spinów AFM
- Plany na przyszłość

# Wprowadzenie

## Reorientacja spinowa (Spin Reorientation Transition) w Fe/W(110)



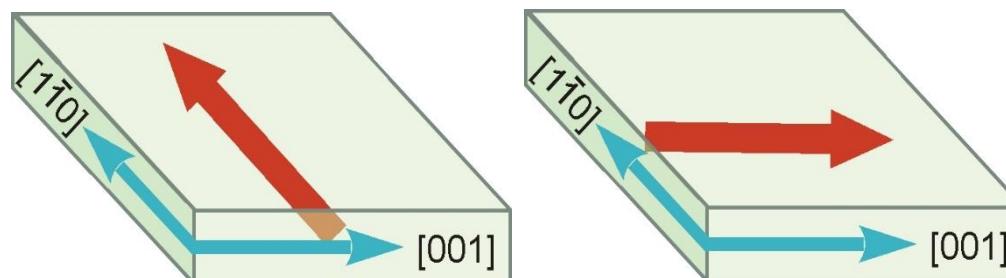
$$E_{m \text{ in-plane}}(\theta) = A \sin^2(\theta) + B \sin^4(\theta)$$



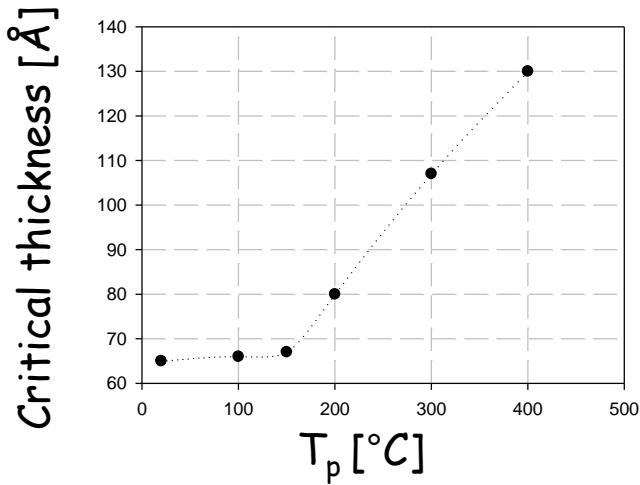
$$A = K_{vp} - \frac{K_{sp}}{d}$$
$$B = K_{vpp} - \frac{K_{spp}}{d}$$

[1-10] anisotropy

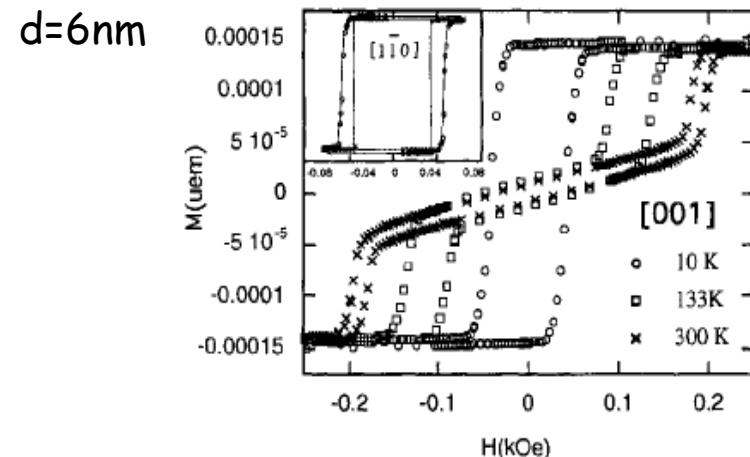
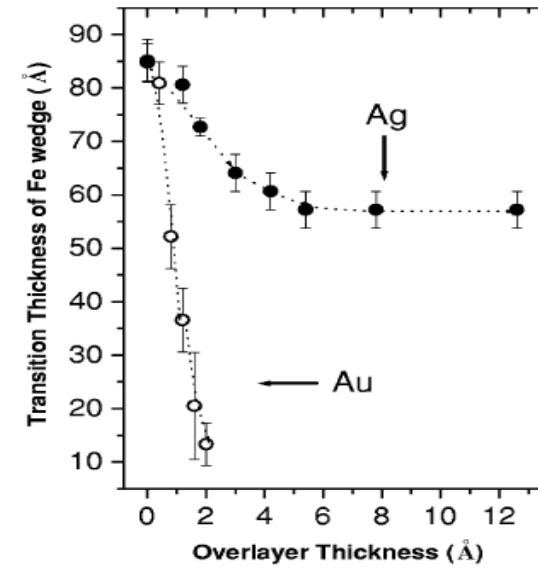
$$K_{vp} = 10.60 * 10^4 \text{ J/m}^3$$
$$K_{vpp} = -0.60 * 10^4 \text{ J/m}^3$$
$$K_{sp} = 0.82 * \text{ mJ/m}^2$$
$$K_{spp} = 0.48 * \text{ mJ/m}^2$$



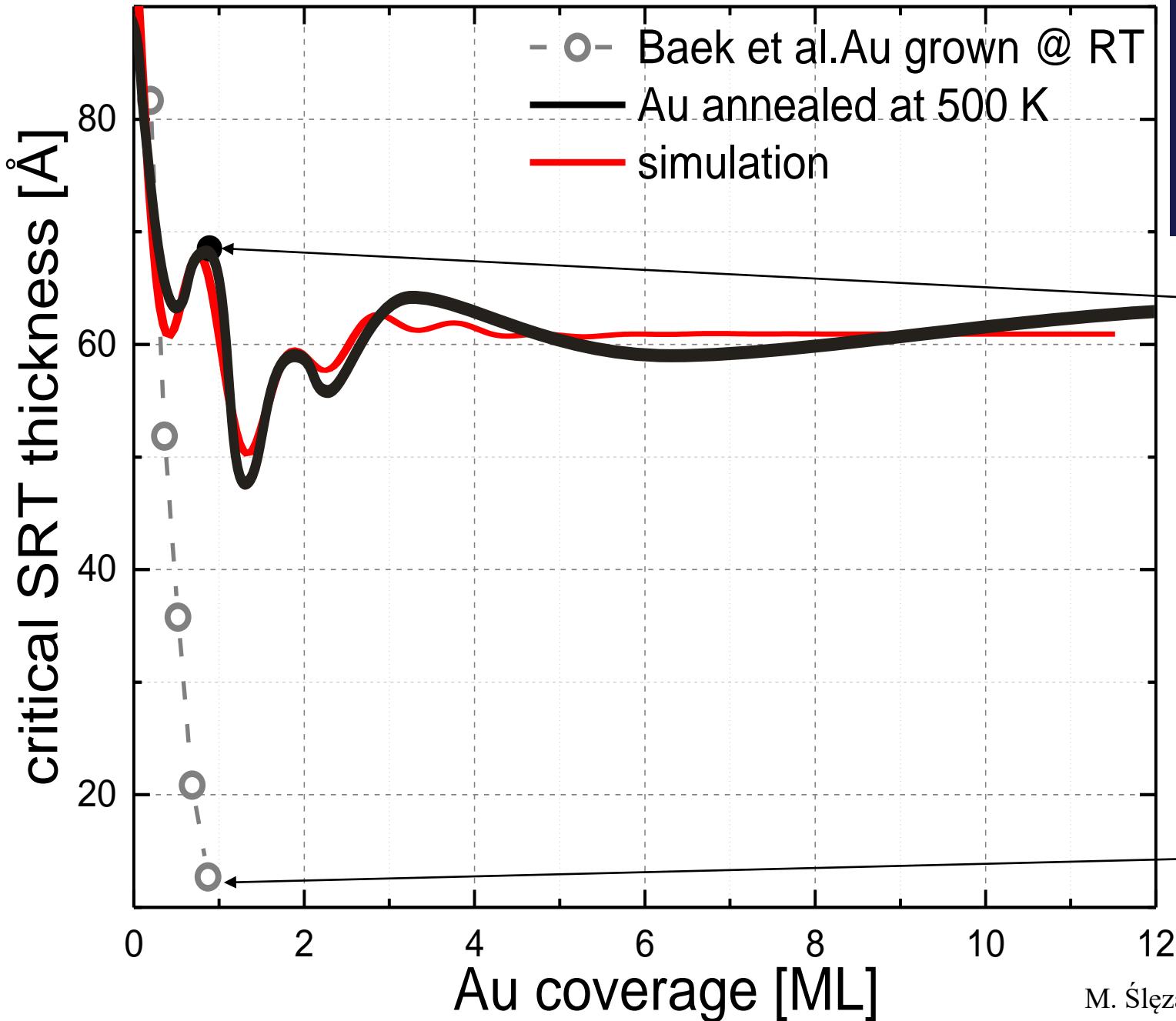
# Magnetic surface anisotropy modifications



Albrecht et al., JMMM 113 (1992) 207-220



Fruchart et al., PRB 67, 075401 (2003)  
Baberschke et al. PRB 47 (1993) 11204



Au/Fe(110):  
 oscillating magnetic  
 anisotropy

KS orientation of Au(111)/Fe(110)  
 $[1-10]_{\text{Au}} \parallel [111]_{\text{Fe}}$

2 oscillating components:  
 - Au monolayer period  
 -  $\sim 4$  ML Au period

NW orientation of Au(111)/Fe(110)  
 $[1-10]_{\text{Au}} \parallel [001]_{\text{Fe}}$

# **Układy dwuwarstwowe AFM/FM**

CoO/Fe(110)  
NiO/Fe(110)

# Antyferromagnetyki - motywacja

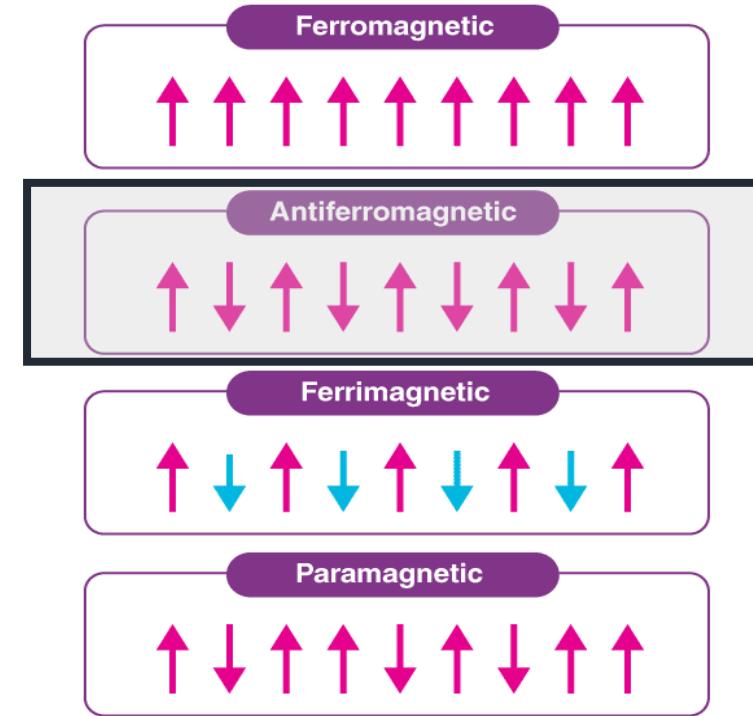
LOUIS NÉEL

Magnetism and the local molecular field

*Nobel Lecture, December 11, 1970*



„They are **extremely interesting** from the theoretical viewpoint, but **do not seem to have any applications**”



## The 2020 magnetism roadmap

E. Y. Vedmedenko et al 2020 J. Phys. D: Appl. Phys. 53 453001

„the future of spintronics is related to new materials, with **antiferromagnets** as promising nominees.”

- robust against external magnetic fields
- produce no stray fields
- display ultrafast dynamics
- large magnetotransport effects

# Odkrycie zjawiska *exchange bias*

Phys. Rev., 105, 904 (1957)

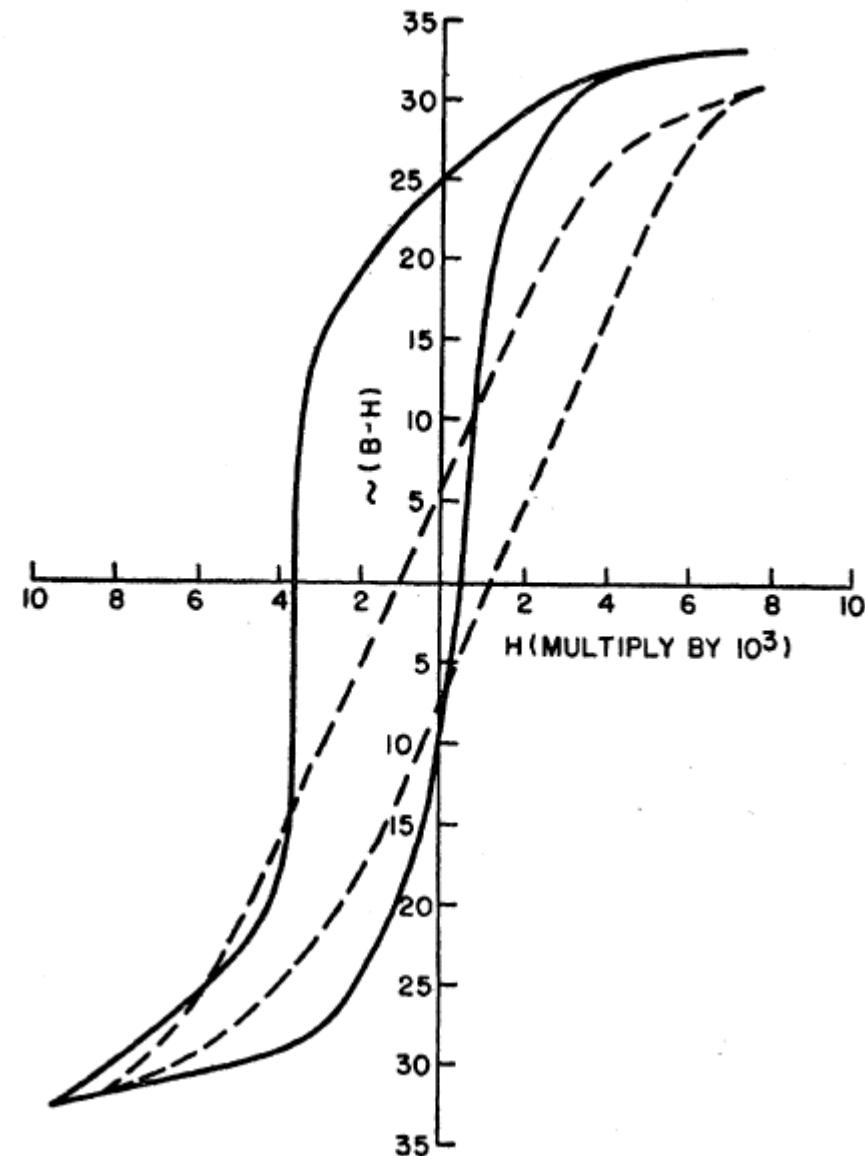
## New Magnetic Anisotropy

W. H. MEIKLEJOHN AND C. P. BEAN

General Electric Research Laboratory, Schenectady, New York

(Received March 7, 1956)

Co particles embedded in their native  
antiferromagnetic oxide CoO

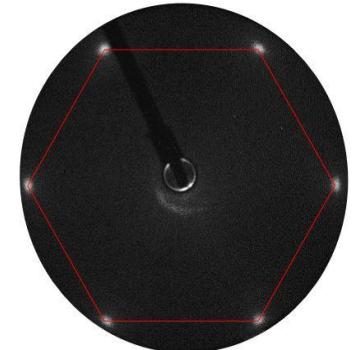


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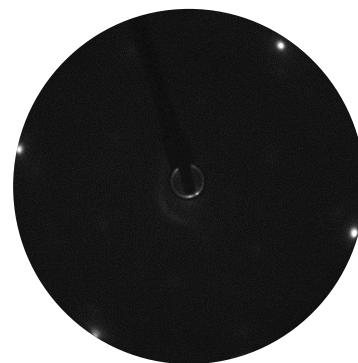
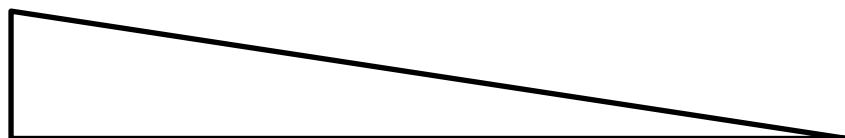
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# CoO/Fe(110)

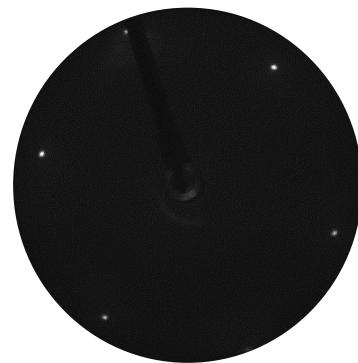
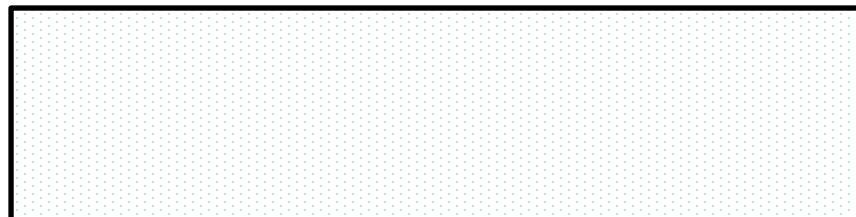
CoO(111): 90 Å



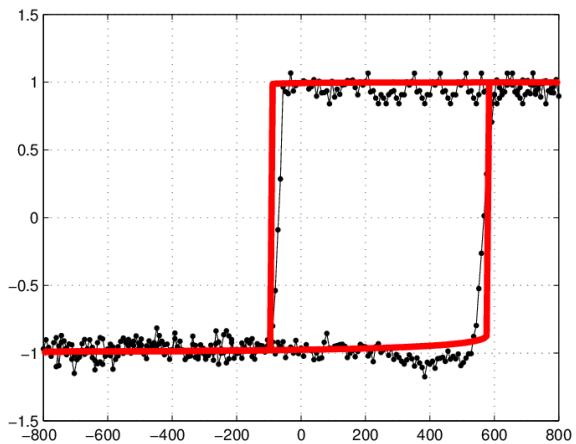
Fe(110) wedge: 80 - 300 Å



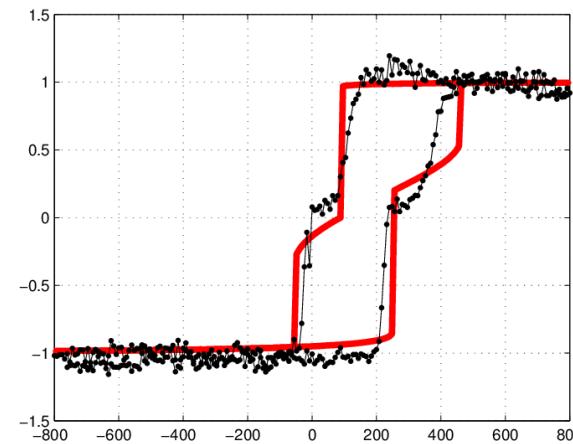
substrate: W(110) single crystal



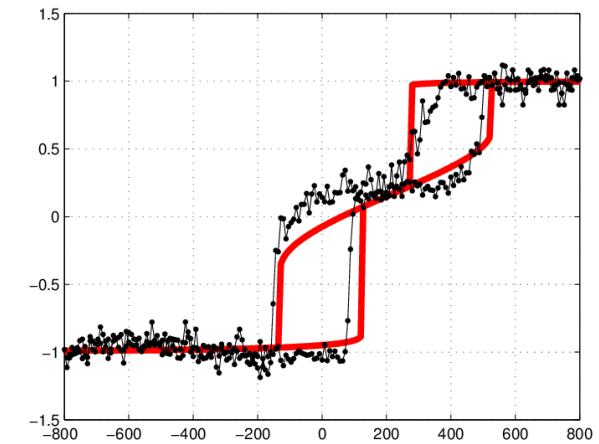
# CoO(111) on Fe(110): simulations vs MOKE results



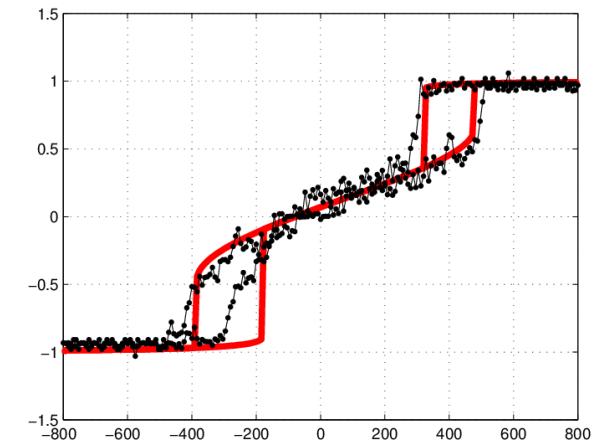
$d_{Fe} = 80 \text{ \AA}$



$d_{Fe} = 110 \text{ \AA}$

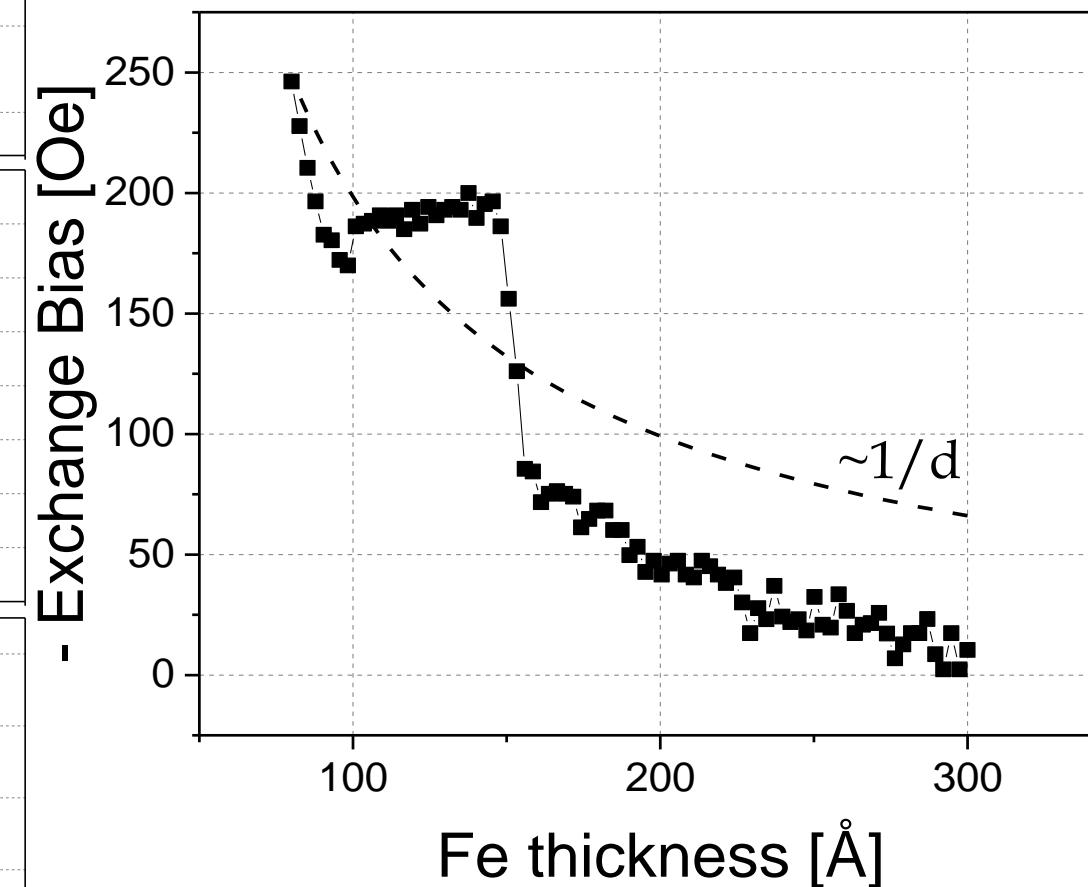
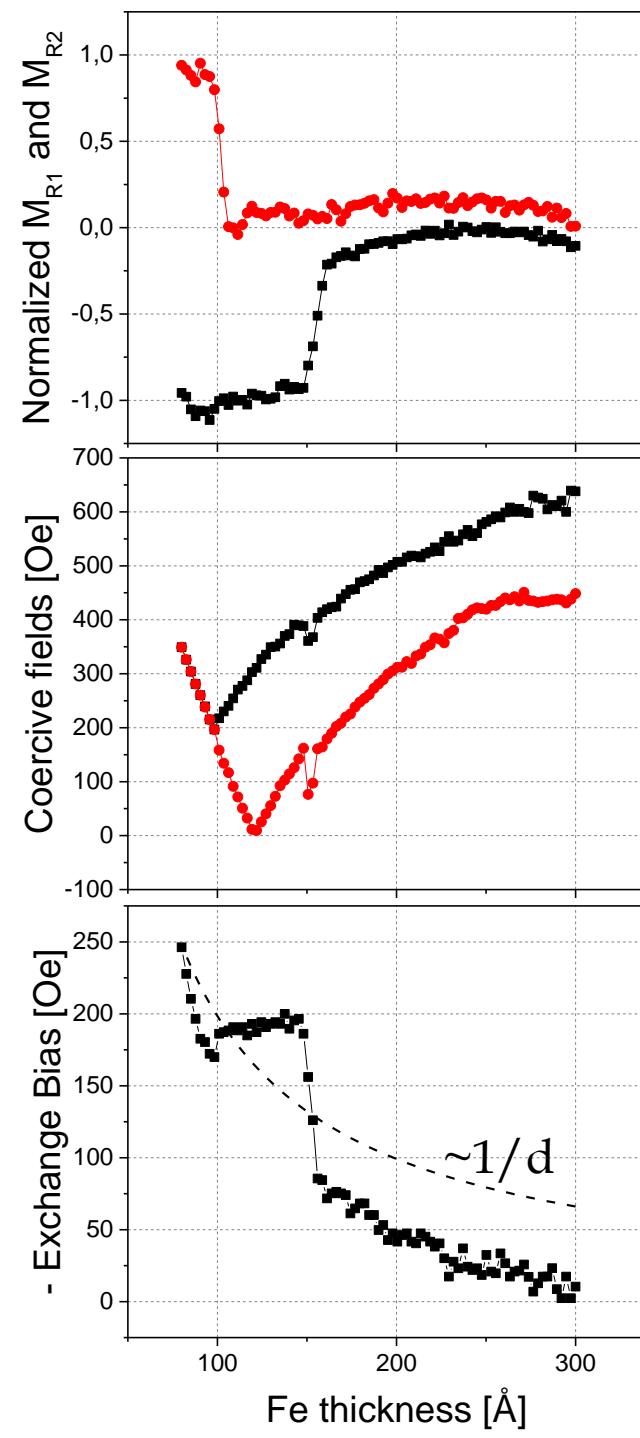


$d_{Fe} = 140 \text{ \AA}$



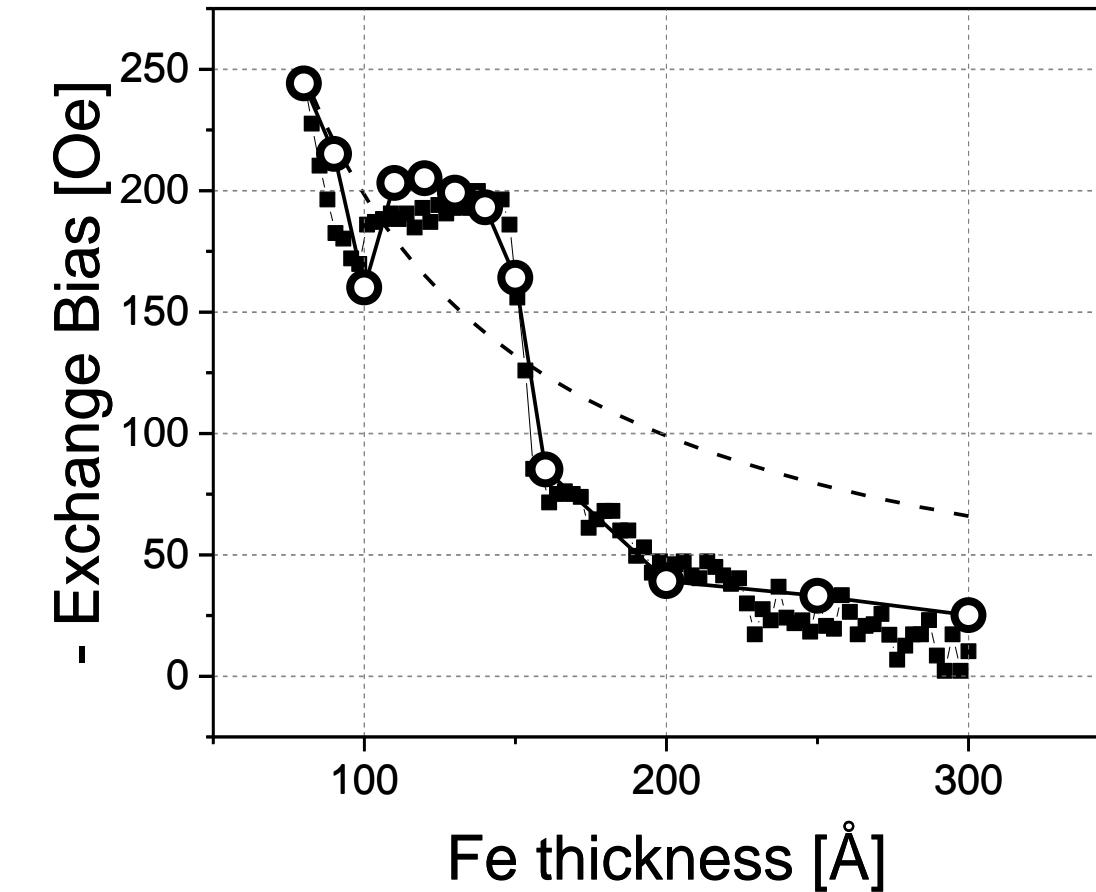
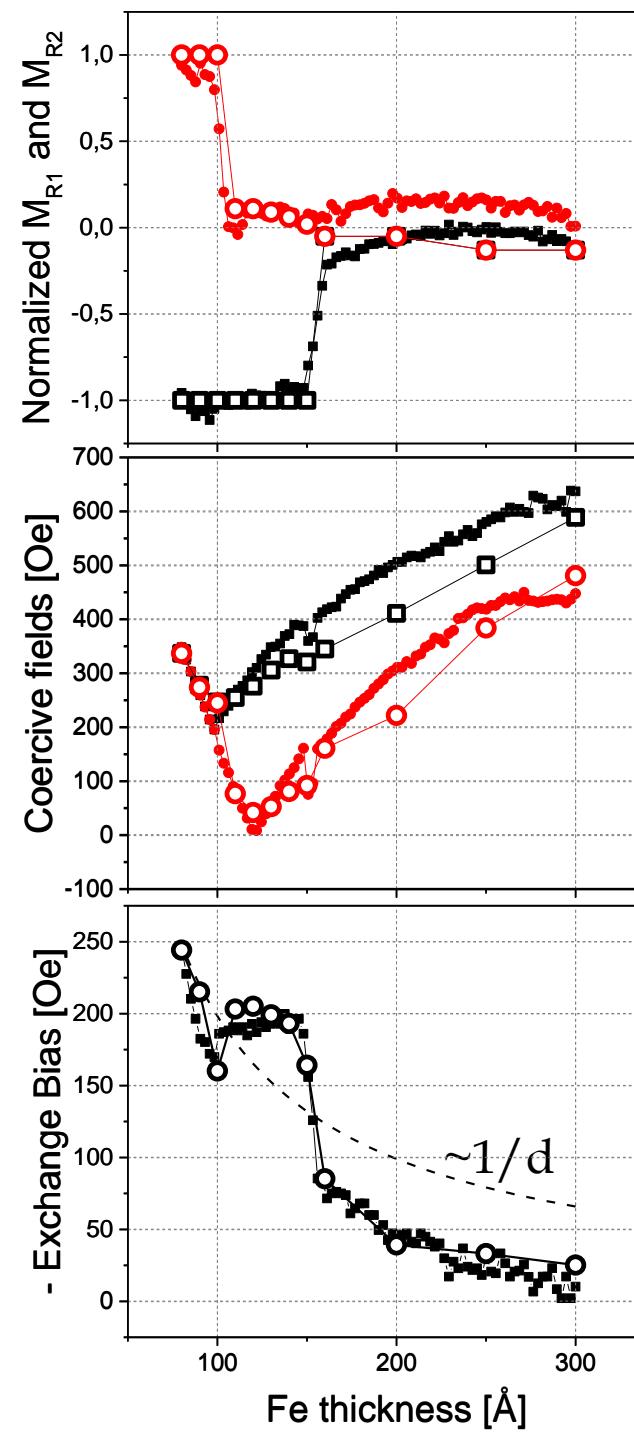
$d_{Fe} = 200 \text{ \AA}$

# CoO(111) on Fe(110): evolution of magnetic hysteresis loops

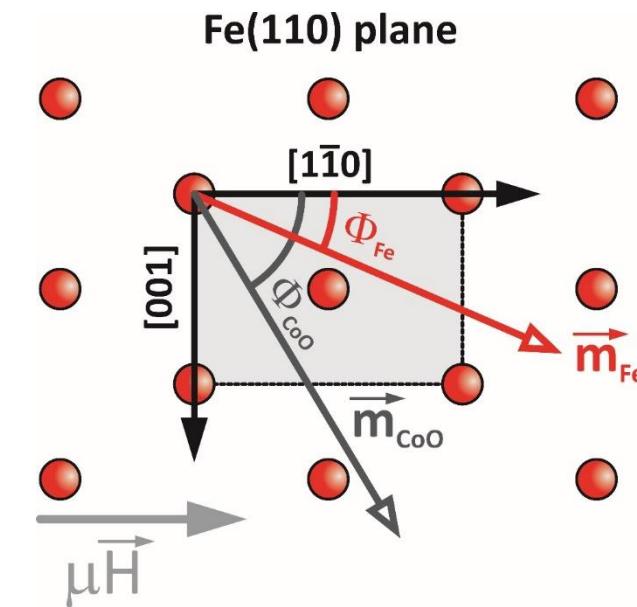
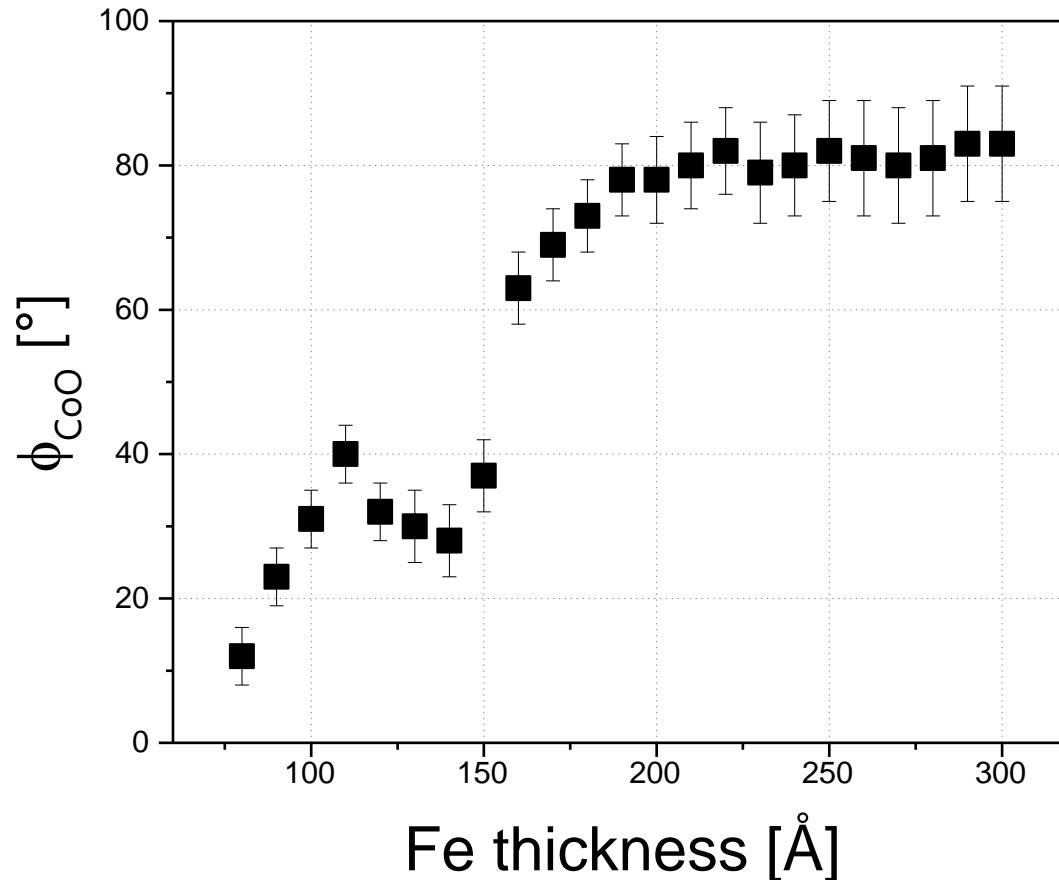


- Non-monotonous  $H_{eb}$  vs  $d$  dependence
- Not proportional to  $1/d$

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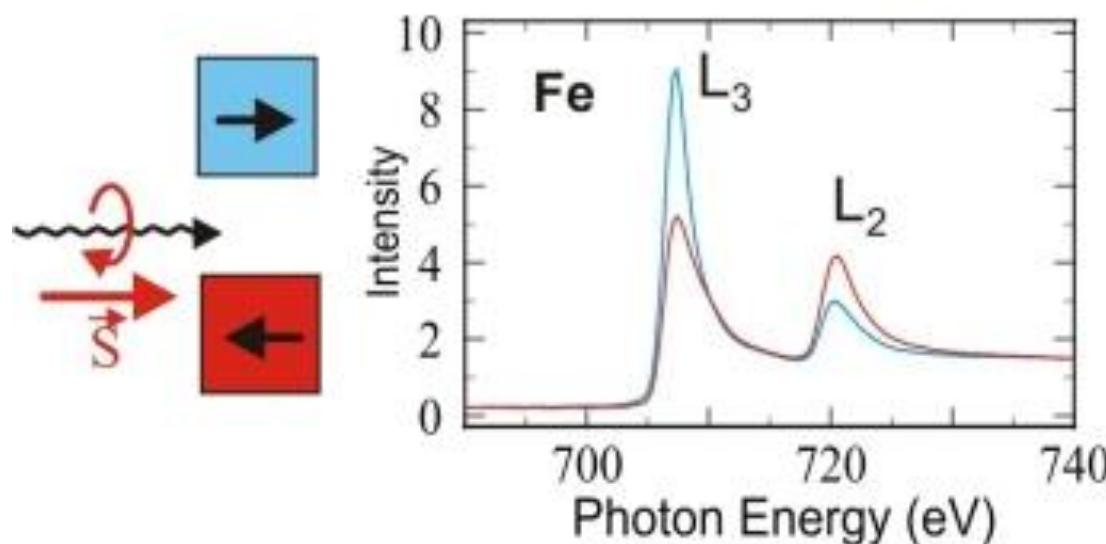
# Reorientacja spinowa w CoO(111)



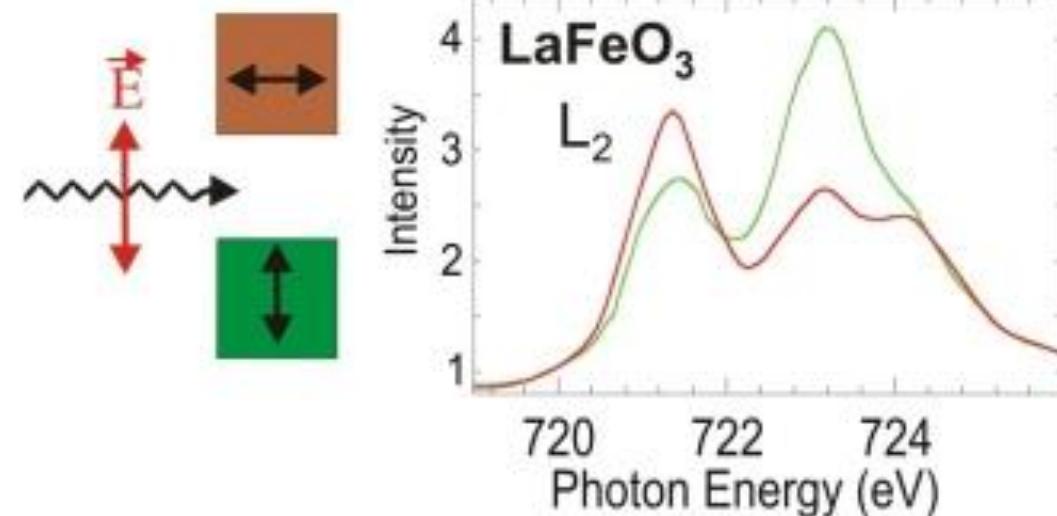
- Fe działa jak lokalne pole magnetyczne przy przekraczaniu  $T_N$
- Fe „zamraża” spiny CoO wzduż wybranego kierunku

# XMCD i XMLD

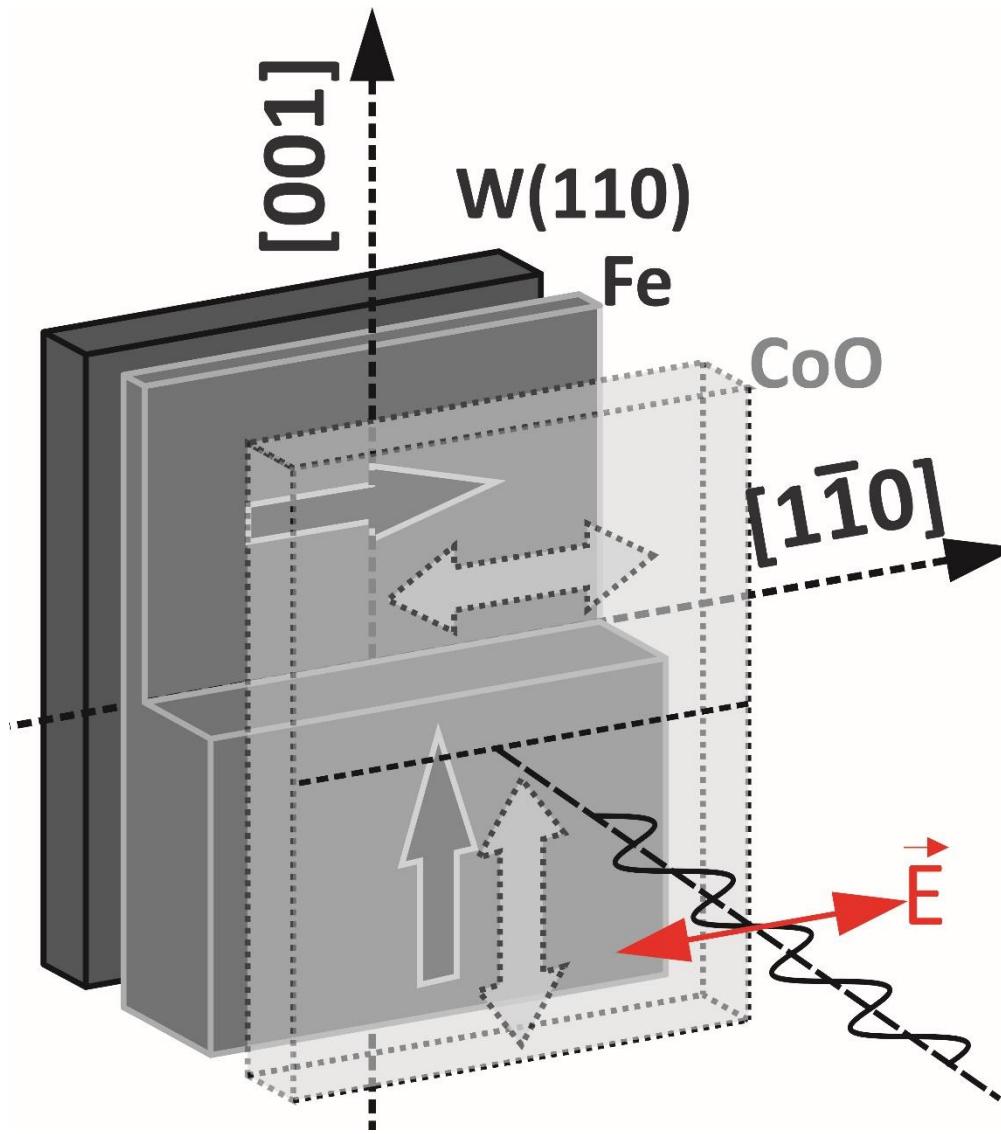
## Circular Dichroism - Ferromagnets



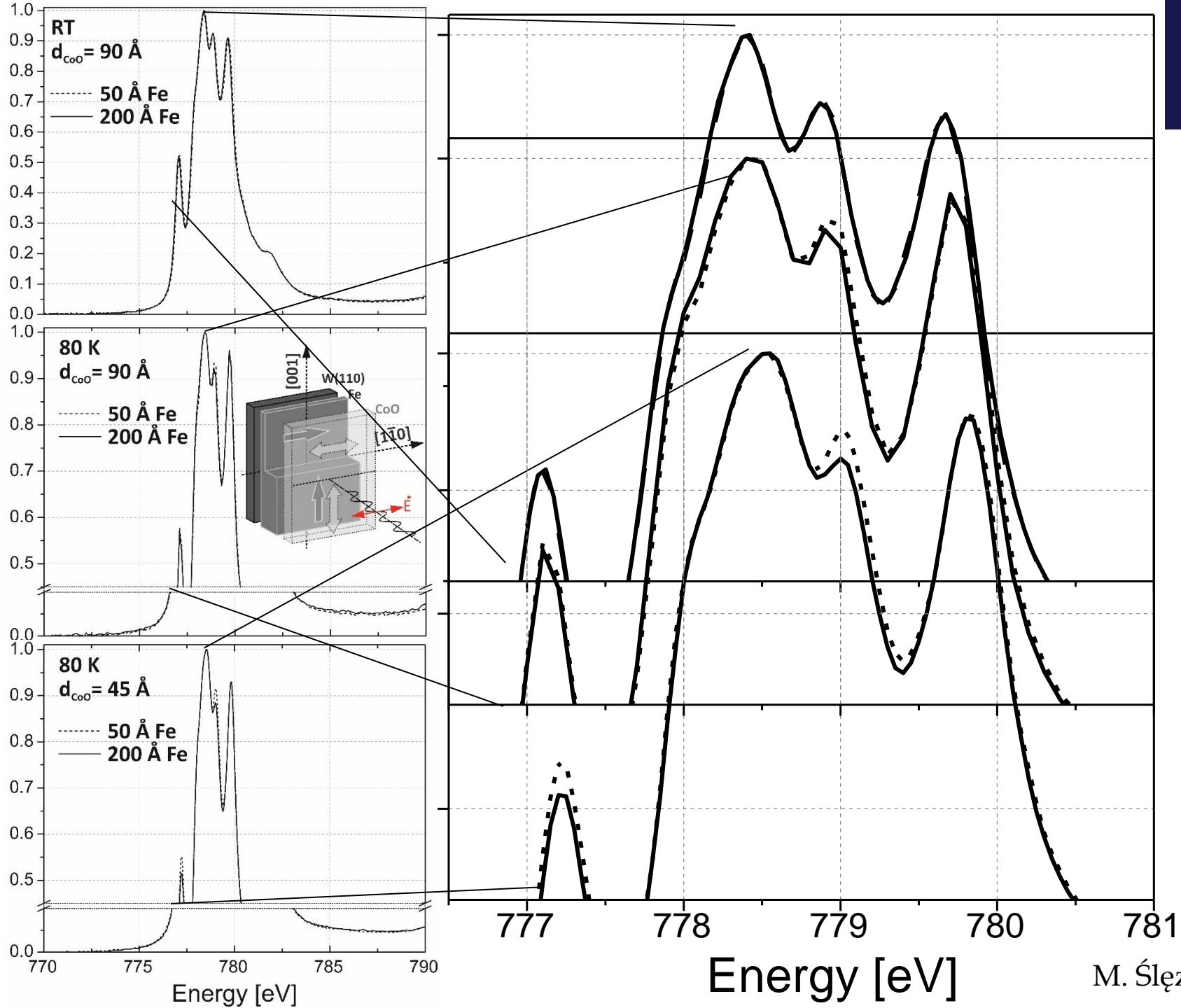
## Linear Dichroism - Antiferromagnets



# Looking for direct evidence of SRT in CoO: XMLD @ Solaris, XAS end-station



# Direct evidence of SRT in CoO: XMLD

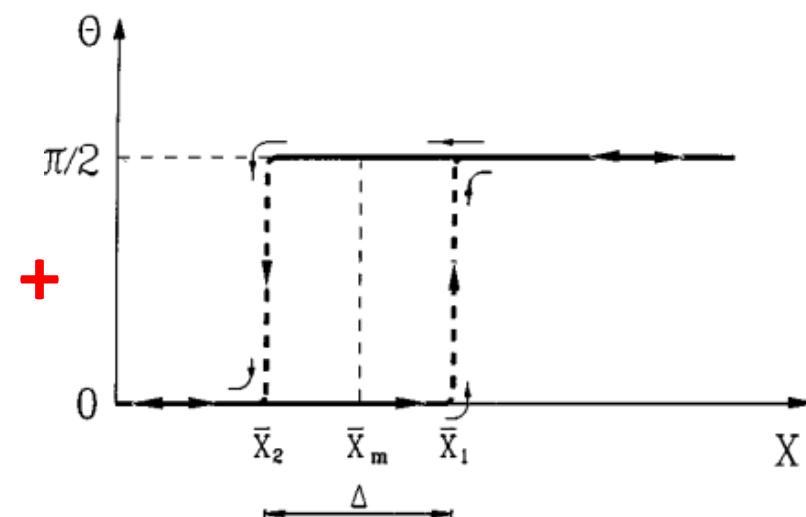
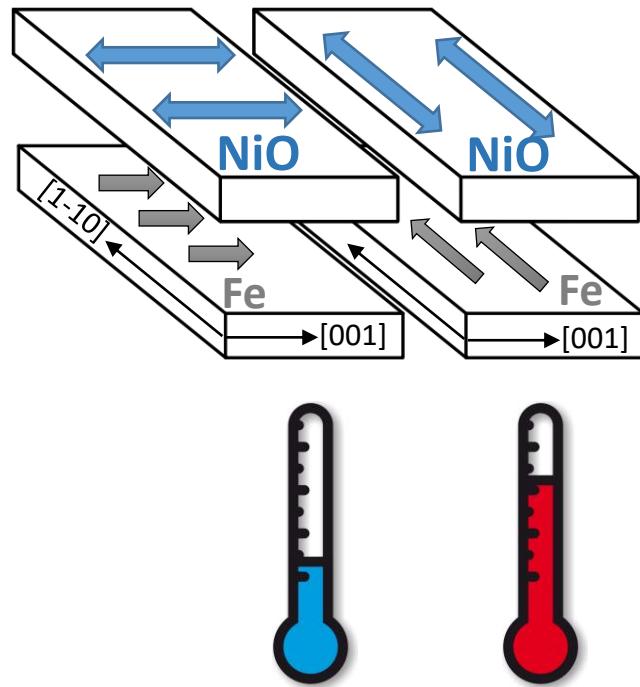


→ rotation of CoO spins  
from Fe[1-10] to  
Fe[001]

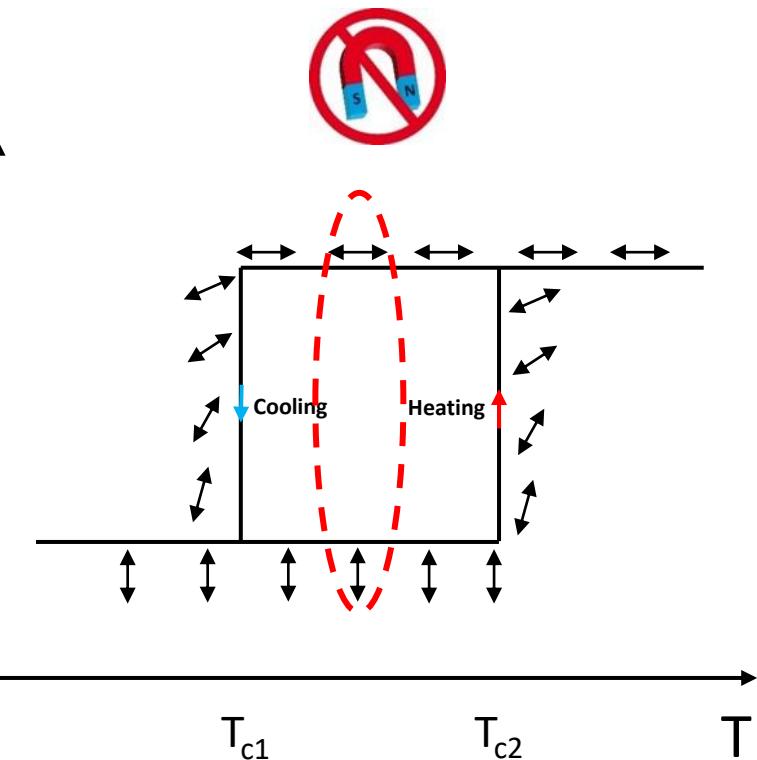
following the XMLD analysis by Li et al., Phys.  
Rev. B 91, 104424 (2015)

# NiO(111)/Fe(110):

idea przełączania spinów AFM w układzie jednorodnym, bez użycia pola, prądu, itp.  
(ustalona grubość warstw Fe i NiO)



Y.Millev, J. Kirschner, PRB 54 (1996) 6

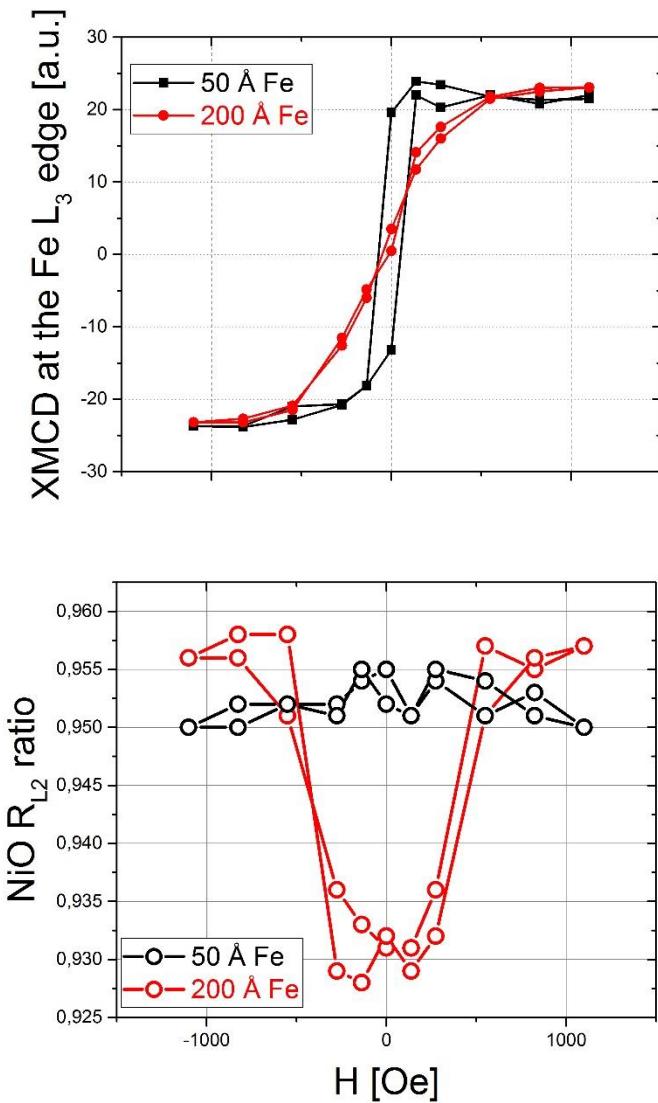


NiO: mała anizotropia magnetyczna  
→ spiny NiO „**rotatable**”

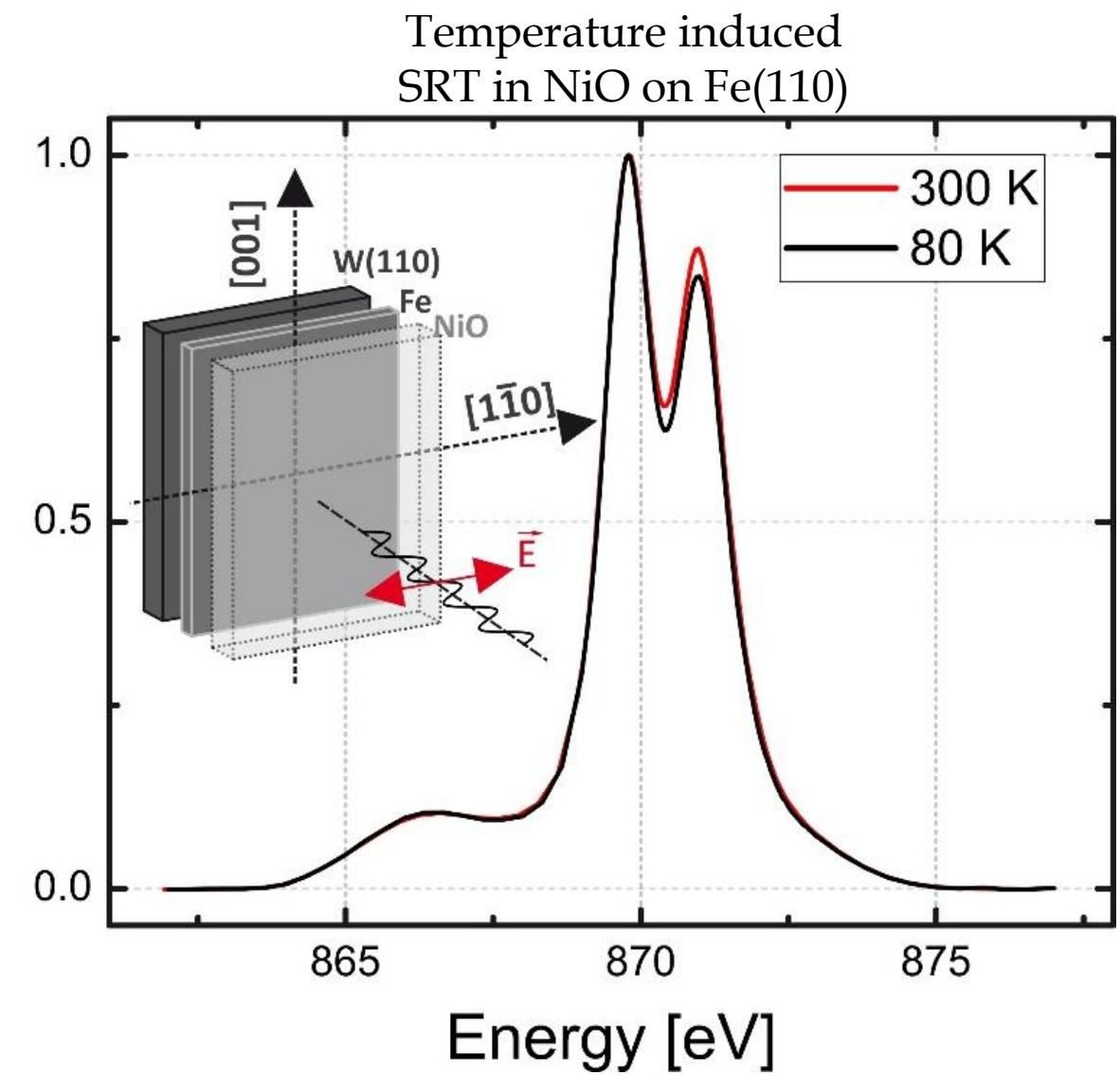
Temperaturowe **SRT** w Fe,  
**histereza**

2 możliwe orientacje spinów AFM w NiO,  
w danej temperaturze  
przełączanie „**field-free**”

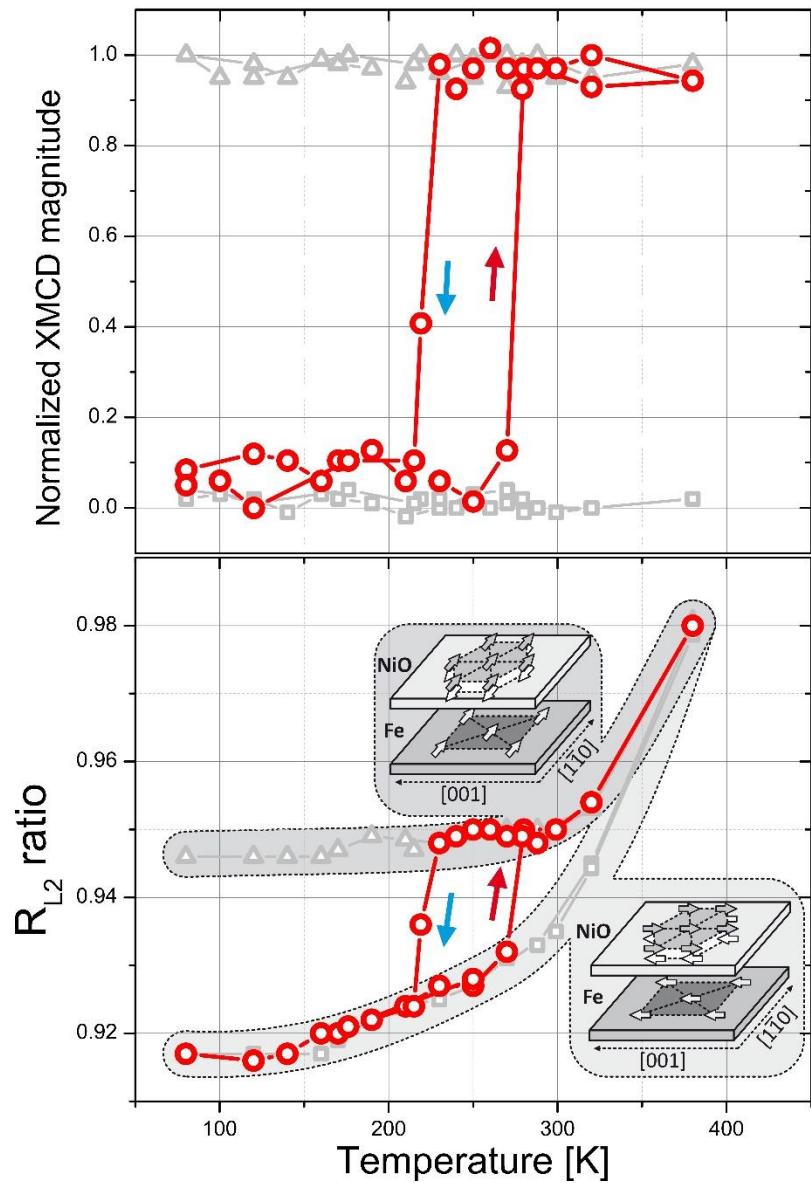
# NiO(111)/Fe(110): field-free switching of AFM spins



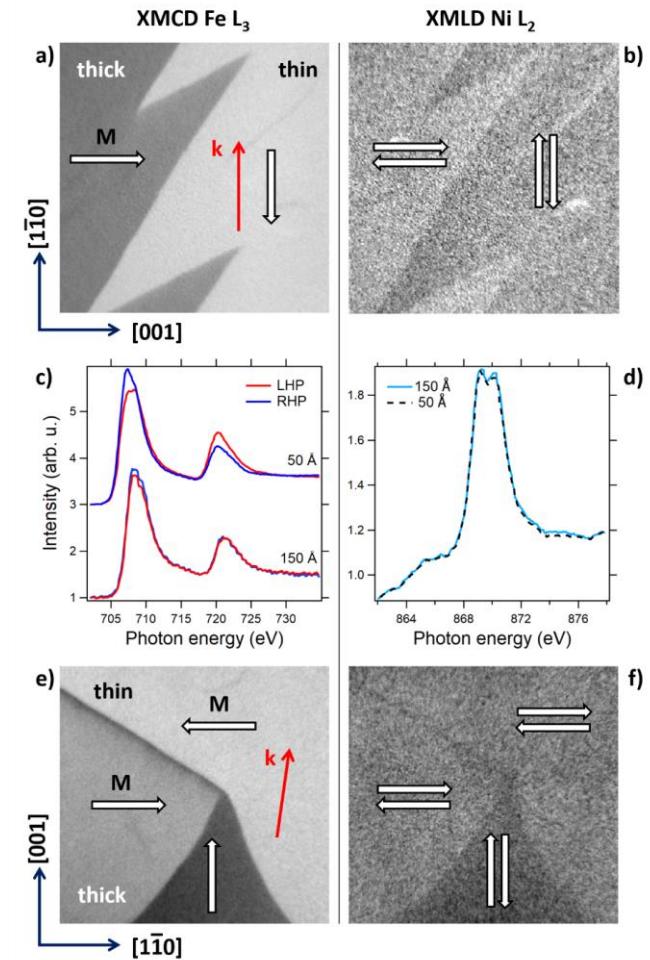
Indeed, NiO spins  
are rotatable



$d_{Fe}$  = —△— 85 Å —○— 90 Å —□— 95 Å



## XMLD-PEEM at Nanospectroscopy beamline (Elettra, Trieste)



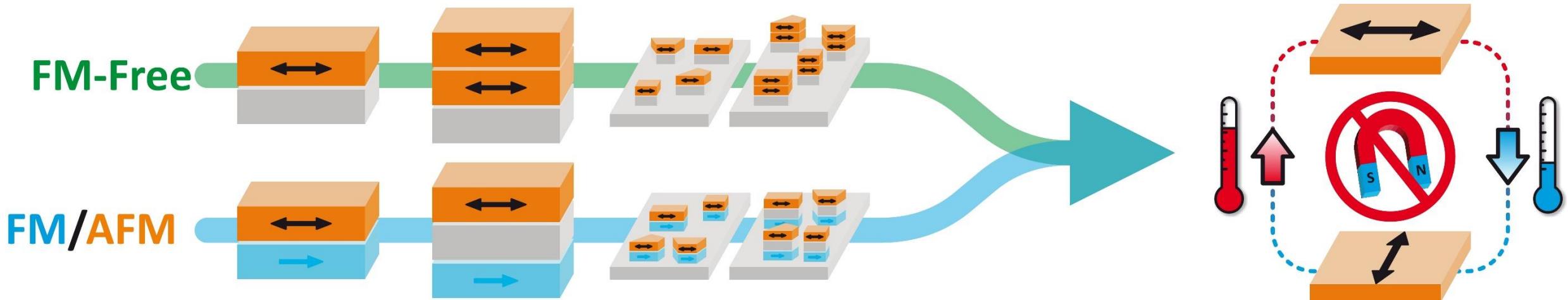
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- nanostruktury
- układy stricte AFM (bez ferromagnetyków)

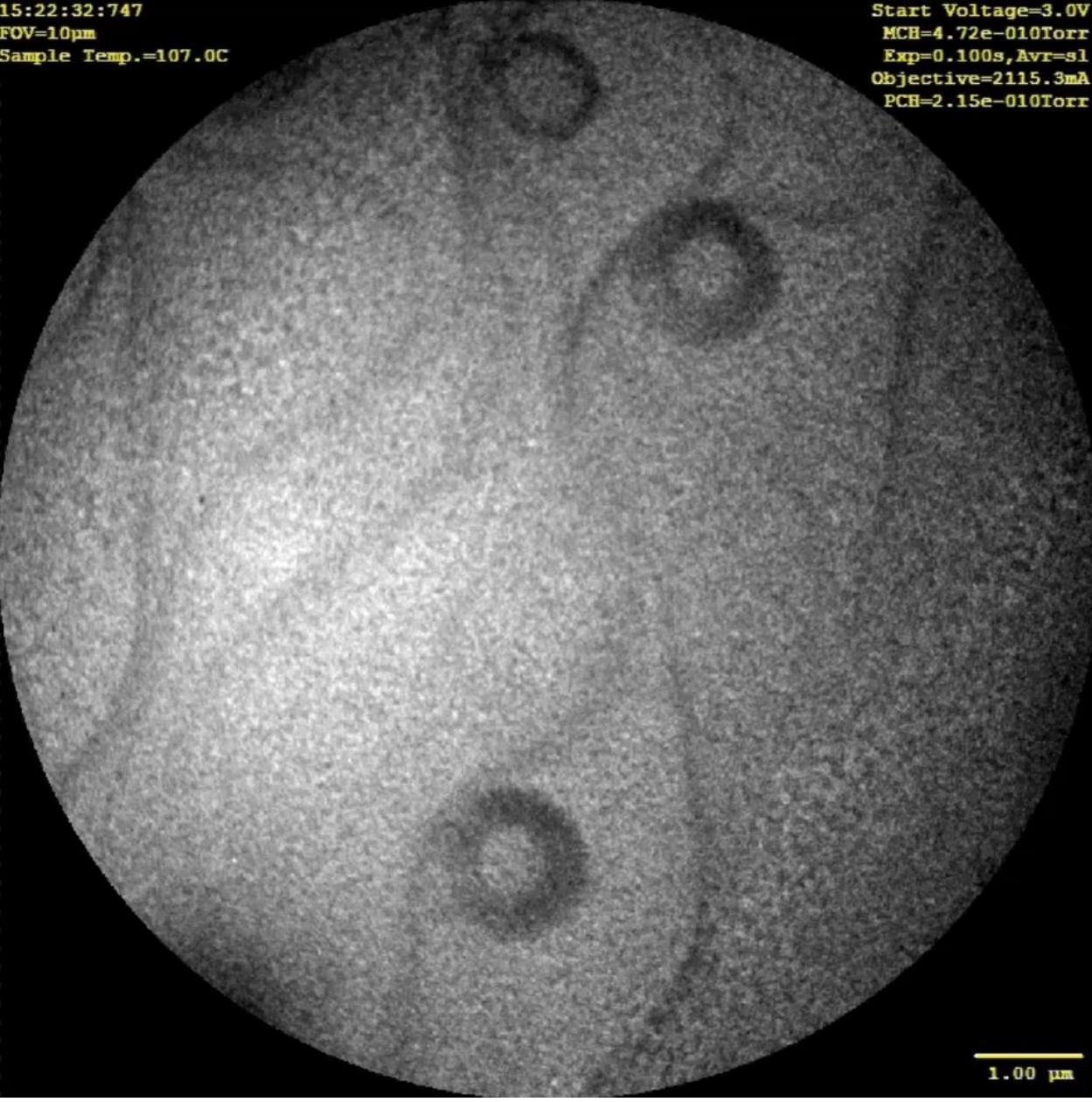


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# Nanostruktury

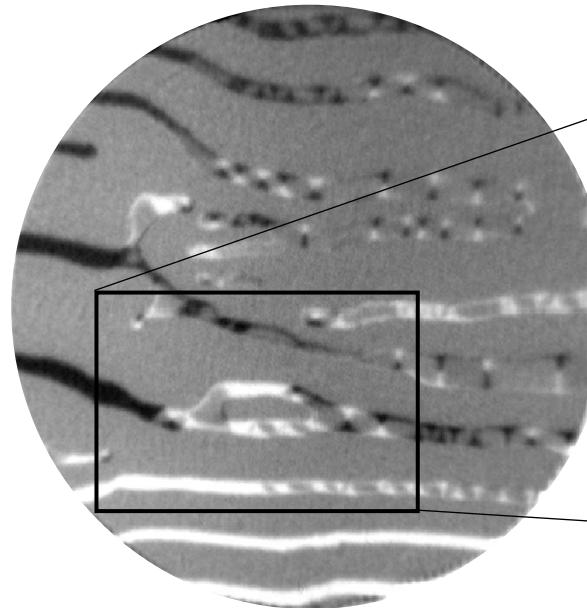


Recorded with D. Wilgocka-Ślęzak and T. Giela in Jerzy Haber Institute of Catalysis and Surface Chemistry PAS, Kraków, Poland

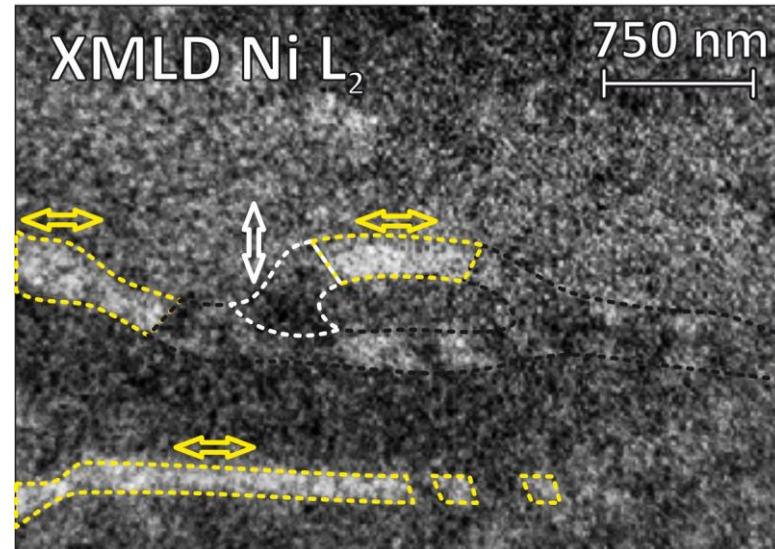
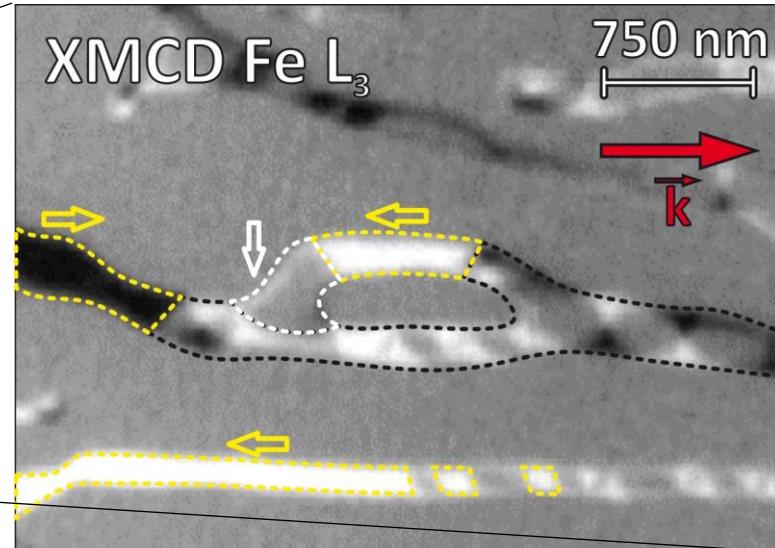
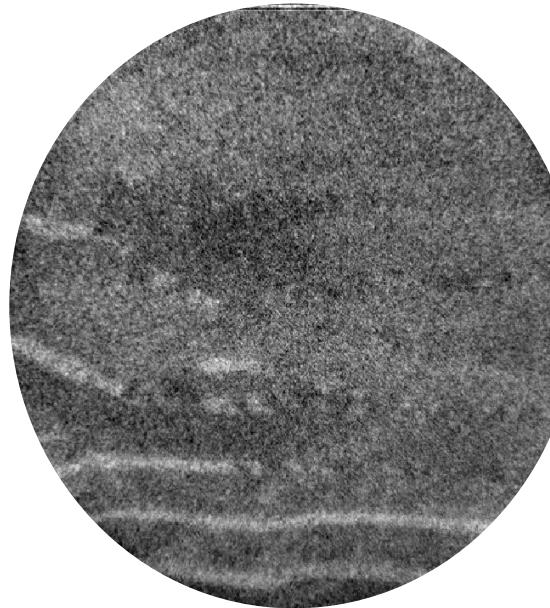
# Nanostruktury NiO(111)/Fe(110)

XML(C)D-PEEM at Nanospectroscopy beamline  
(Elettra, Trieste)

XMCD: Fe

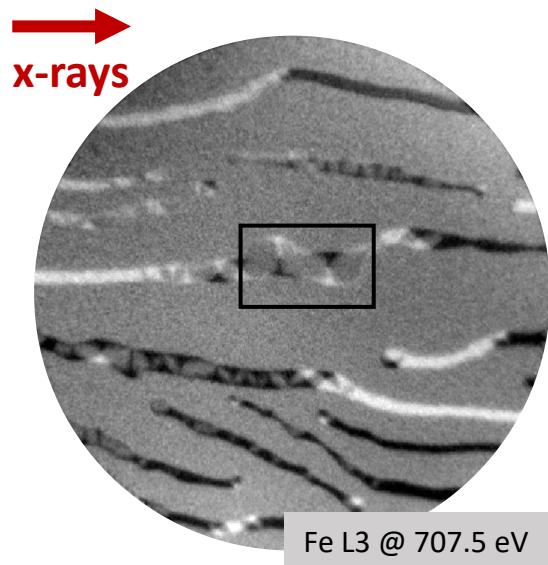


XMLD: NiO



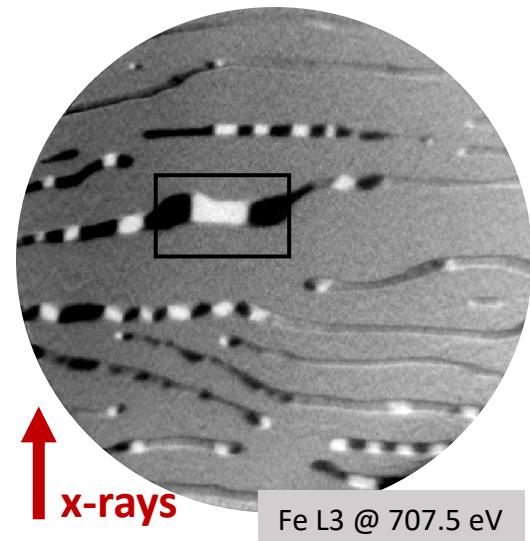
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XMCD



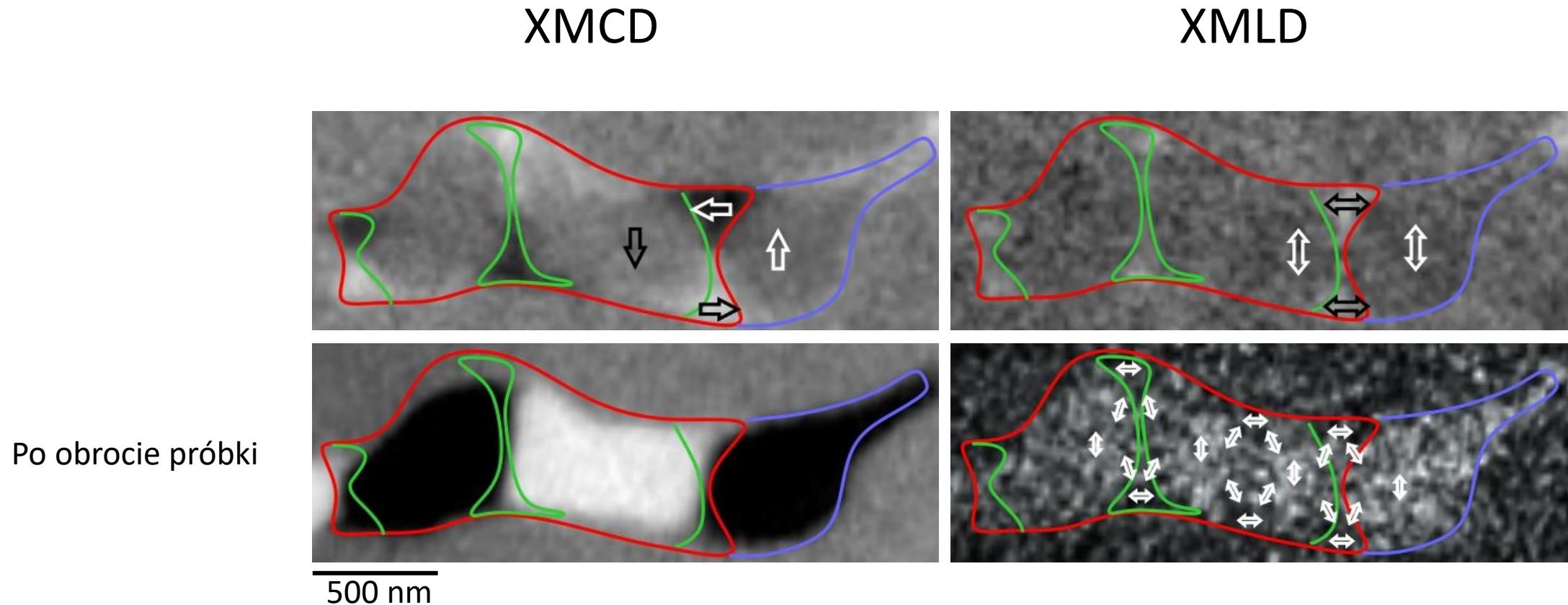
XMCD

Po obrocie próbki



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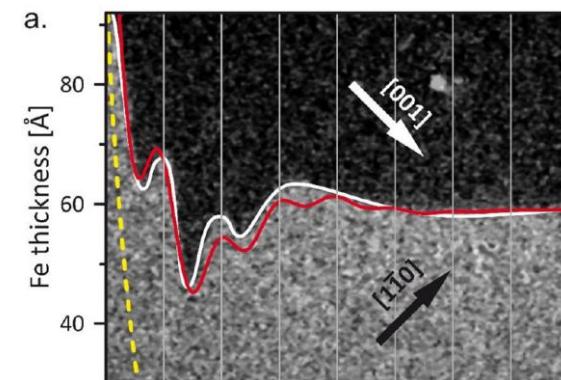
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Wizualizacja proponowanej struktury magnetycznej: D. Wilgocka-Ślęzak

# Podsumowanie

## - Inżynieria anizotropii magnetycznej na powierzchni Fe(110)

Physical Review B 94 (2016) 014402  
JMMM 497, 165963 (2020)



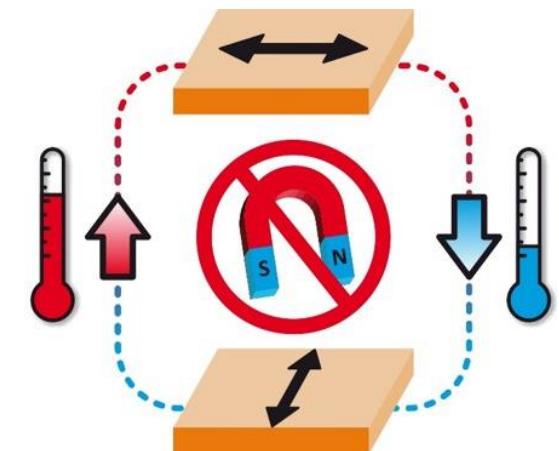
## - AFM/Fe(110):

- CoO/Fe(110) – „zamrażanie” spinów AFM

Scientific Reports 9 (2019) 889

- NiO/Fe(110) – wzbudzona temperaturowo reorientacja AFM

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## - Nanostruktury

