

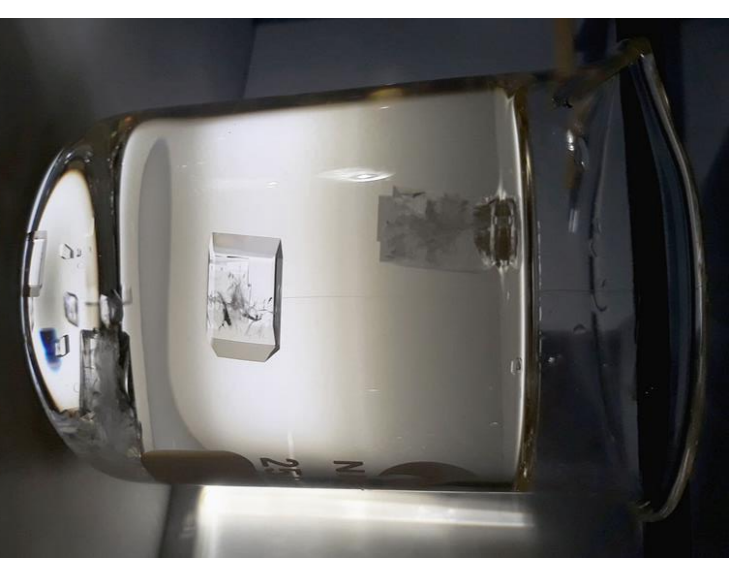
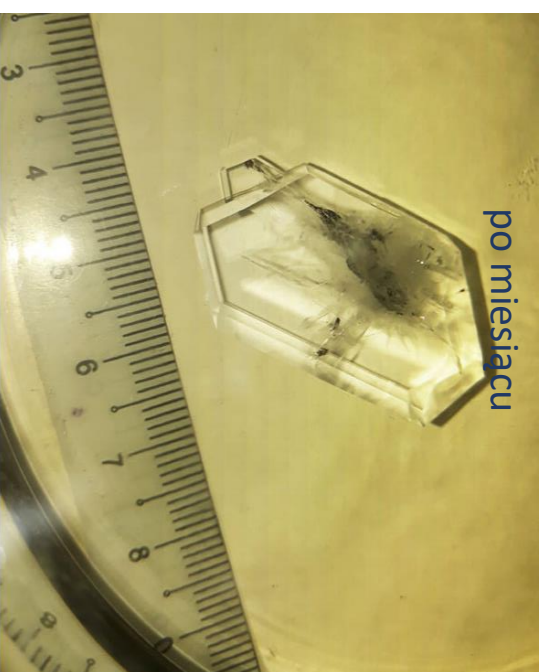
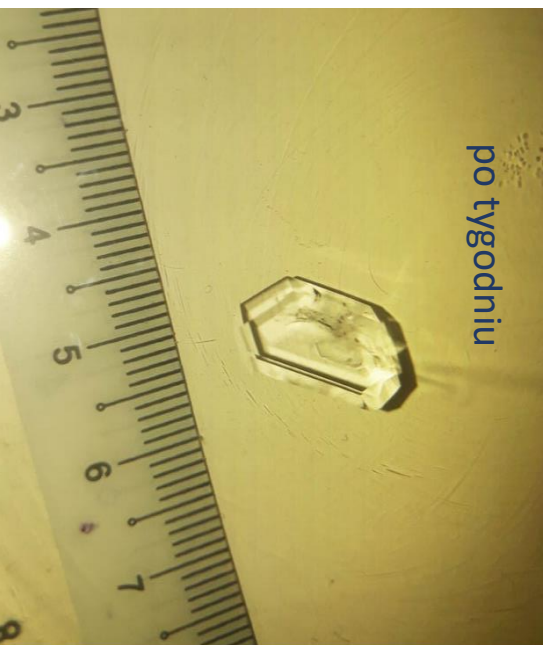
Wzrost kryształów

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Naica's crystal cave captivates chemists

Giant gypsum crystals reveal their secrets

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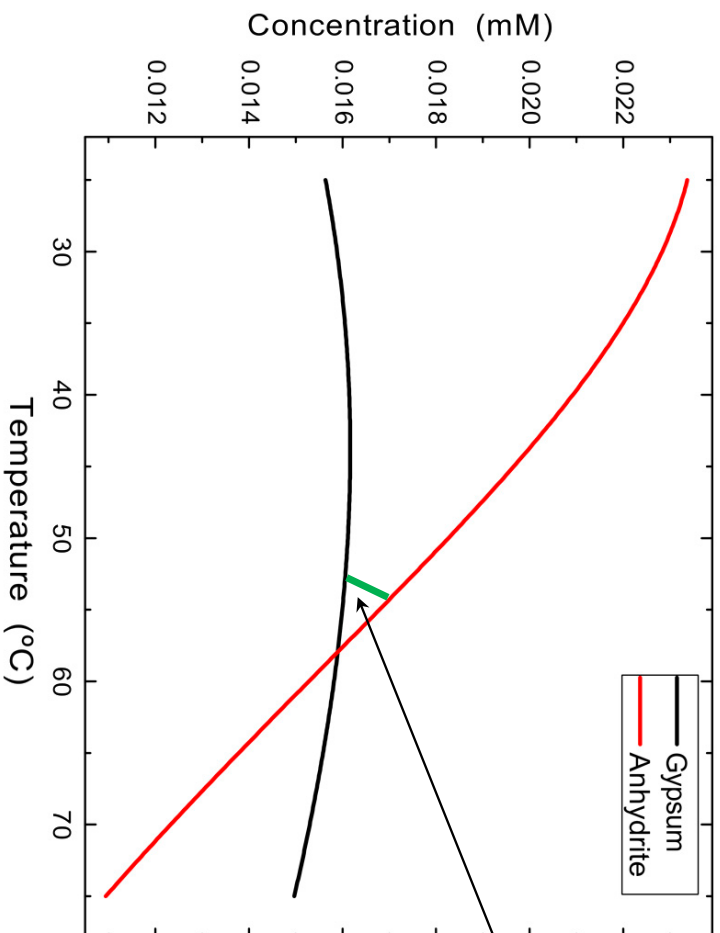
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📍 The Cave of Crystals (La Cueva de Los Cristales) in Naica, Chihuahua, Mexico



Pobrano fragmenty
kryształów gipsu
oraz
próbki roztworu
obecnego w jaskini



Solubility curves of anhydrite (CaSO_4) and gypsum ($\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$) as a function of temperature

Obszar w przestrzeni parametrów
w którym zachodzi wzrost kryształów
gipsu w jaskini Naica



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Eksperyment interferometryczny pomiar położenia powierzchni kryształu

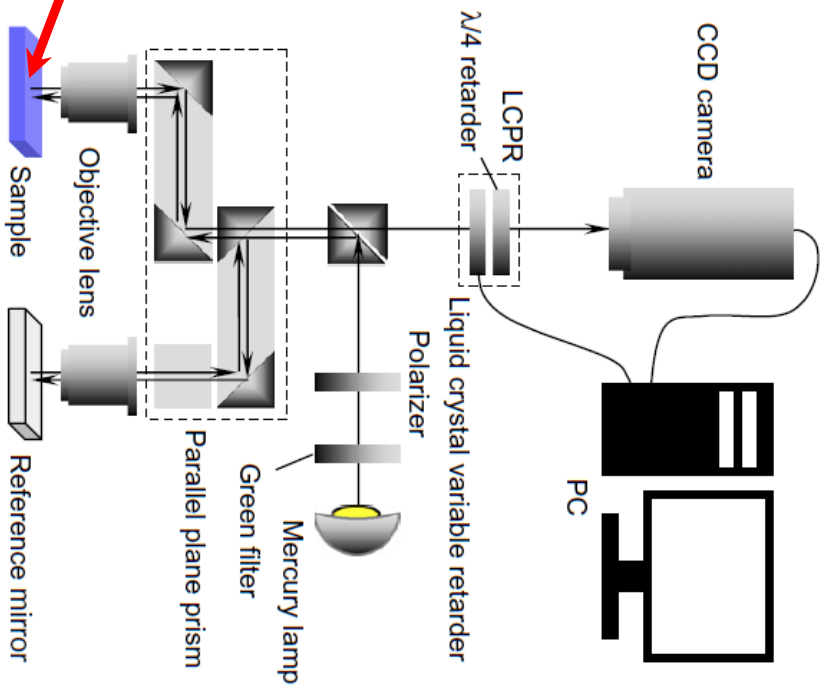


Fig. 1. Schematic diagram of the phase-shift interferometer. The overall apparatus consists of the interferometer, the monitor and the computer system, and is set in a clean room. The interferometer is located on an anti-vibration air table.

$$I_1(x, y) = I_0(x, y) \times [1 + \gamma_0(x, y) \cos\{\phi(x, y)\}], \quad (\text{A.2})$$

$$I_2(x, y) = I_0(x, y) \times [1 + \gamma_0(x, y) \cos\{\phi(x, y) + \pi/2\}], \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$I_3(x, y) = I_0(x, y) \times [1 + \gamma_0(x, y) \cos\{\phi(x, y) + \pi\}], \quad (\text{A.4})$$

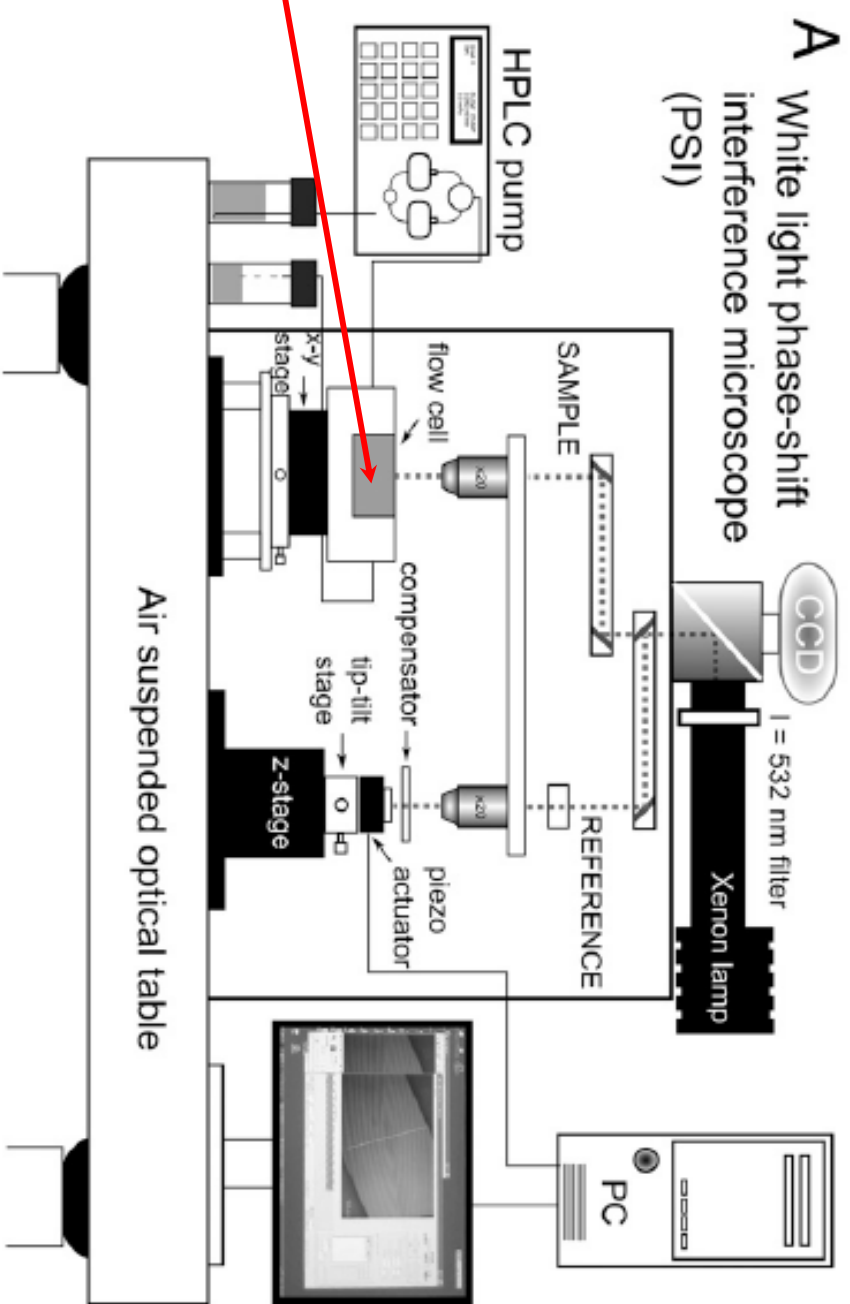
$$I_4(x, y) = I_0(x, y) \times [1 + \gamma_0(x, y) \cos\{\phi(x, y) + 3\pi/2\}]. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Here, if it is assumed that neither $I_0(x, y)$, $\gamma_0(x, y)$, nor $\phi(x, y)$ is changed within the time whereas 4 interference images are obtained, $\phi(x, y)$ is calculated by modifying Eqs. (A.2)–(A.5):

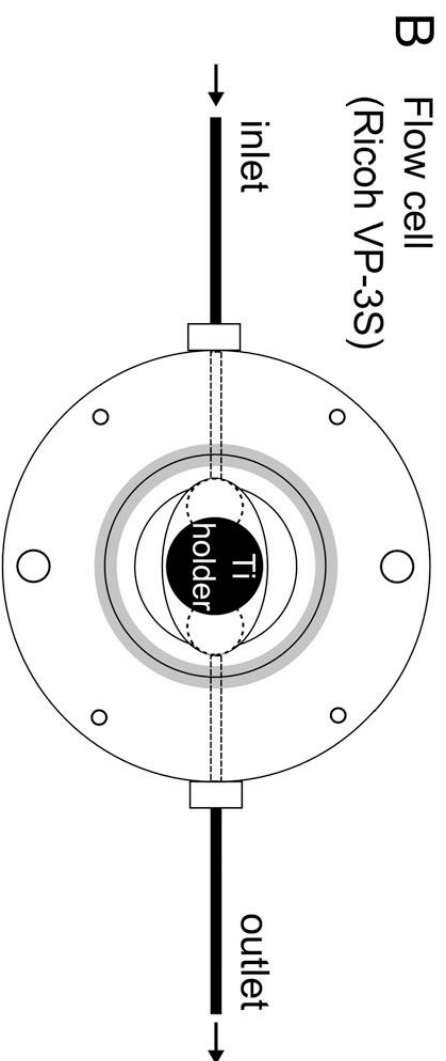
$$\phi(x, y) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{I_4 - I_2}{I_1 - I_3} \right). \quad (\text{A.6})$$

Eq. (A.6) indicates that PSI can calculate $\phi(x, y)$ merely from intensities of interference fringe images. The height distribution over the sample surface, $\Delta h(x, y)$, is obtained based on this phase information:

$$\Delta h(x, y) = \phi(x, y) \times \frac{\lambda}{4\pi n}, \quad (\text{A.7})$$



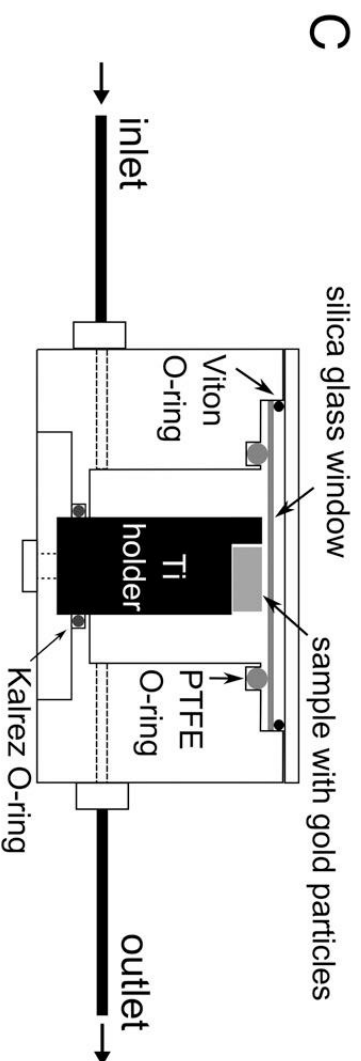
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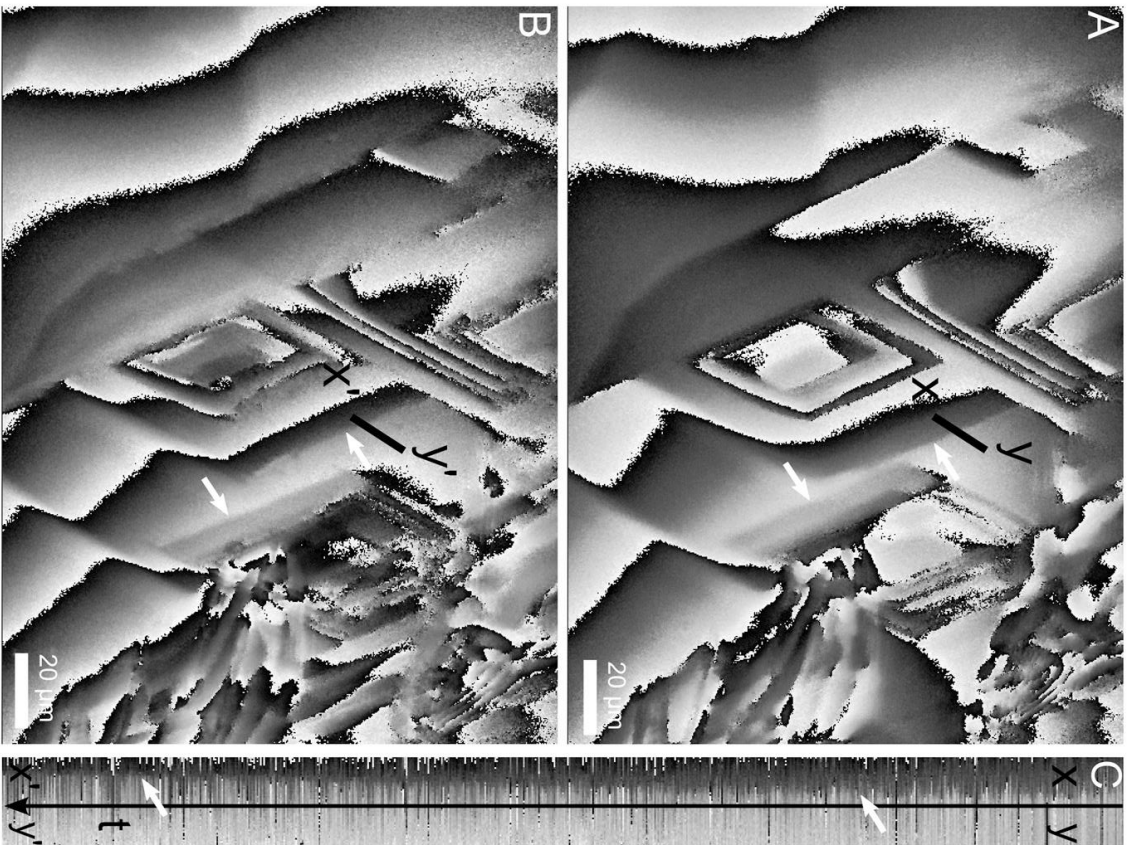


Temperatura w zakresie

40°C – 60°C

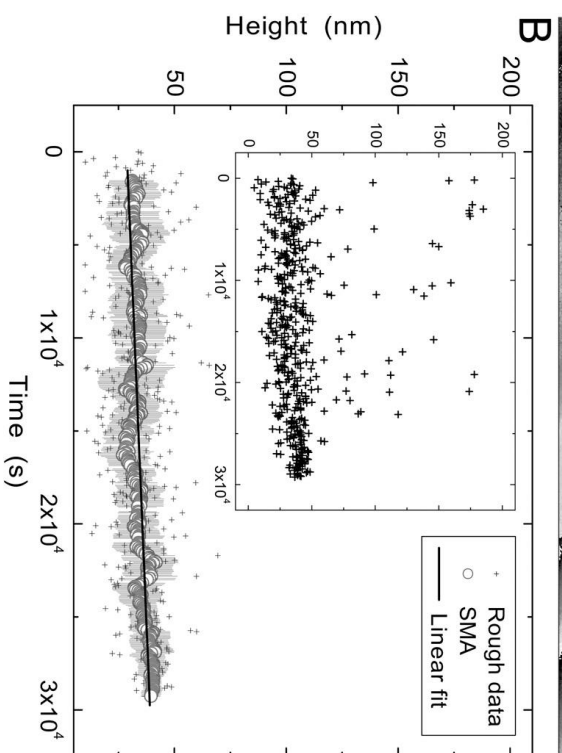
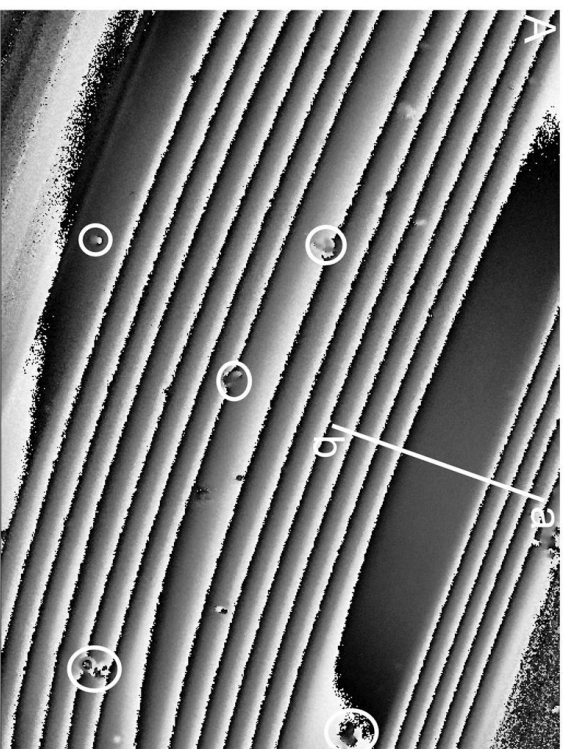
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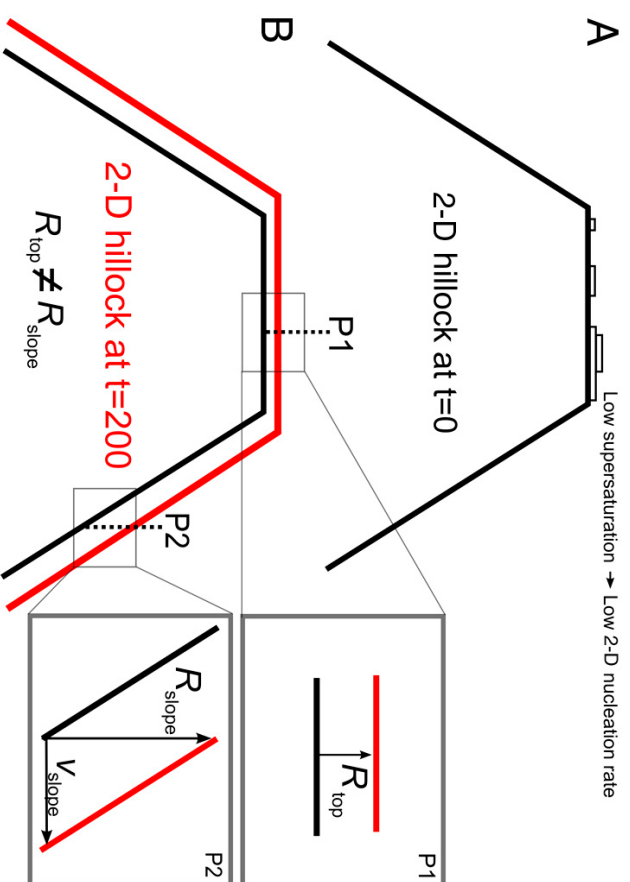
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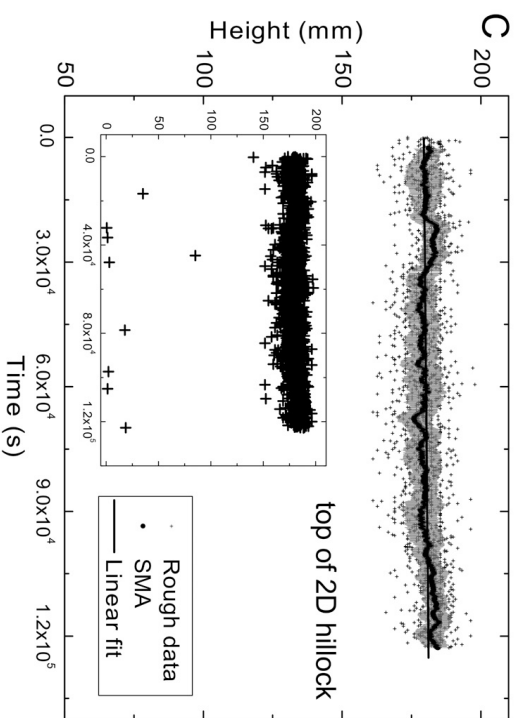
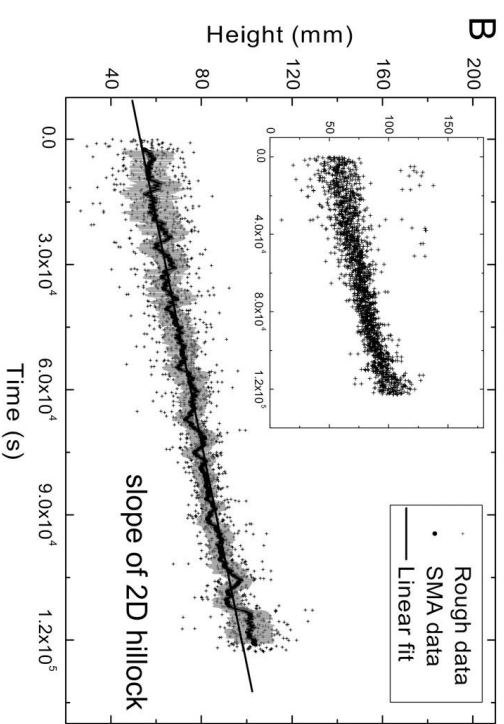
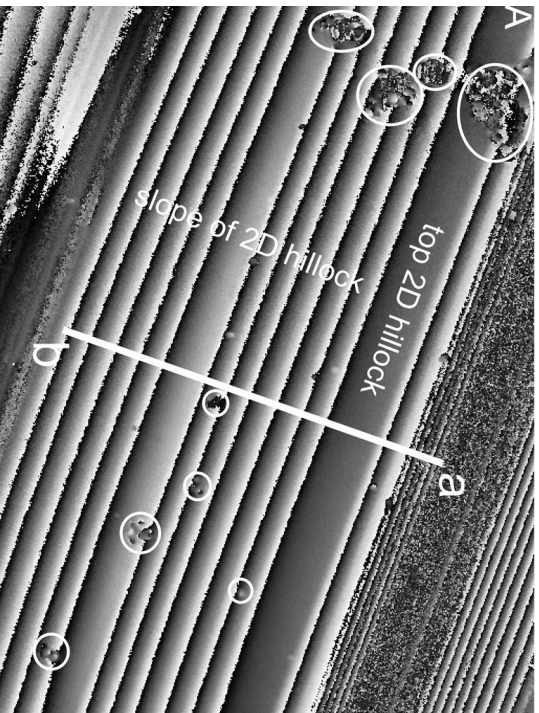
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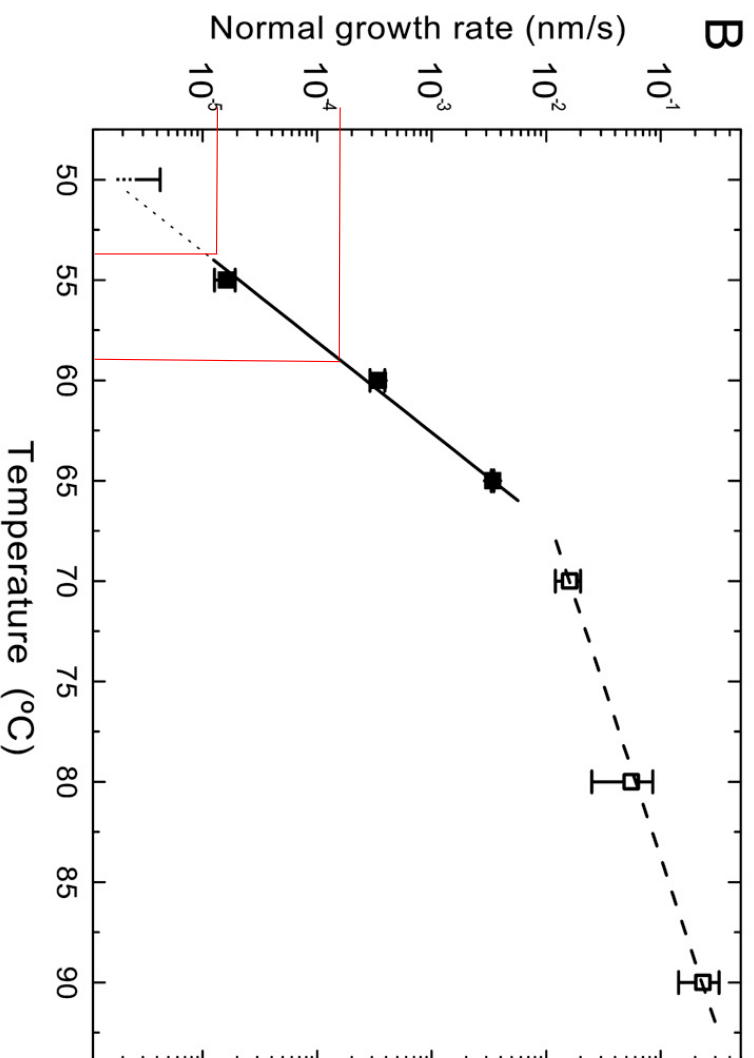
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Prędkość wzrostu kryształów gipsu w funkcji temperatury



Wniosek:

**Duże kryształy obecne w jaskini
potrzebowały od 0,5 do 1 mln lat
aby osiągnąć obecne rozmiary**

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