

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Cytosine Monohydrate Crystals Under Mechanical Stress

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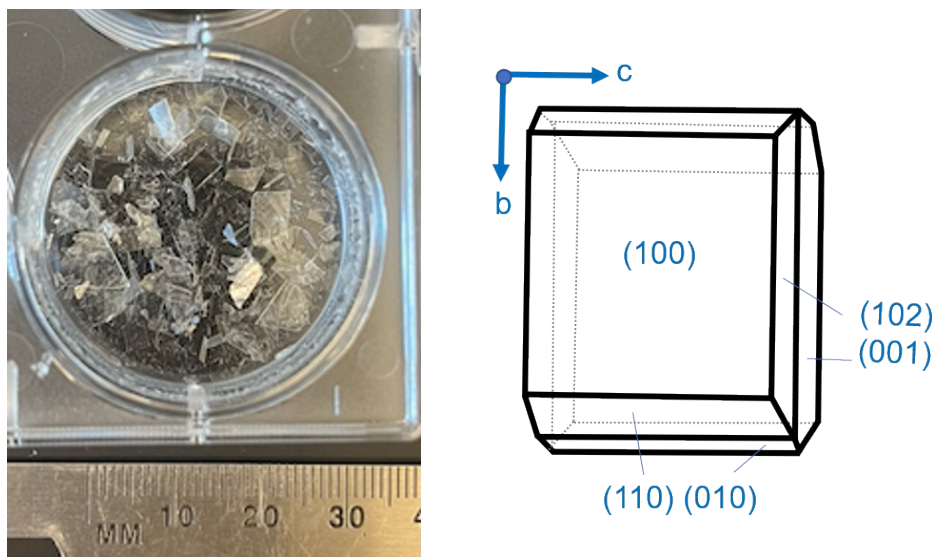


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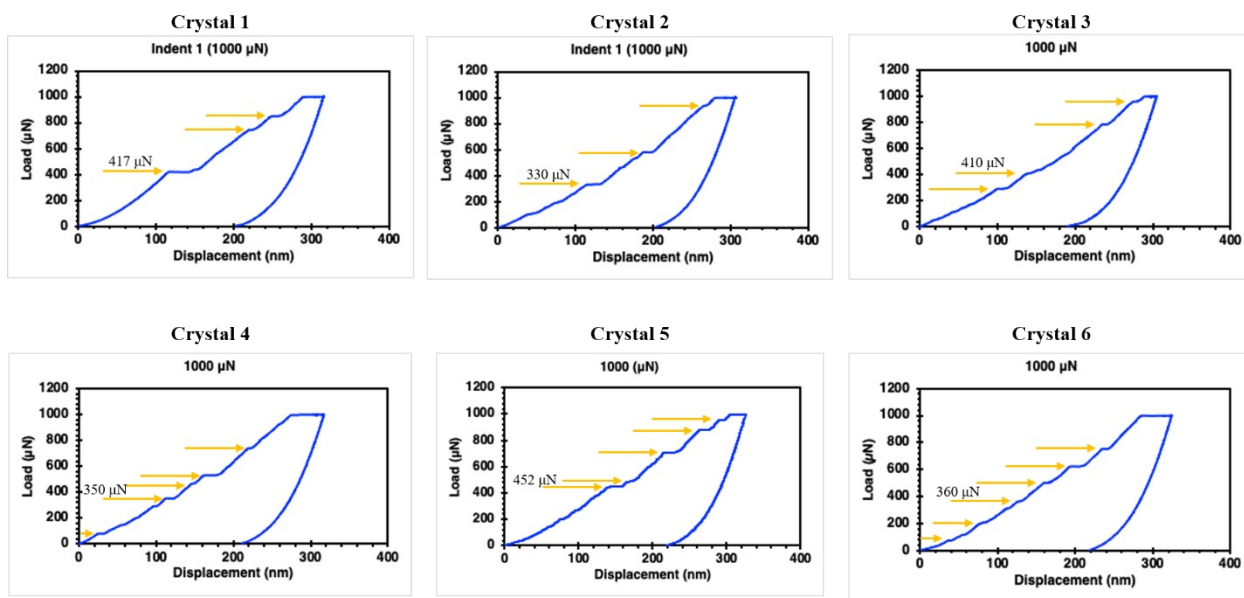


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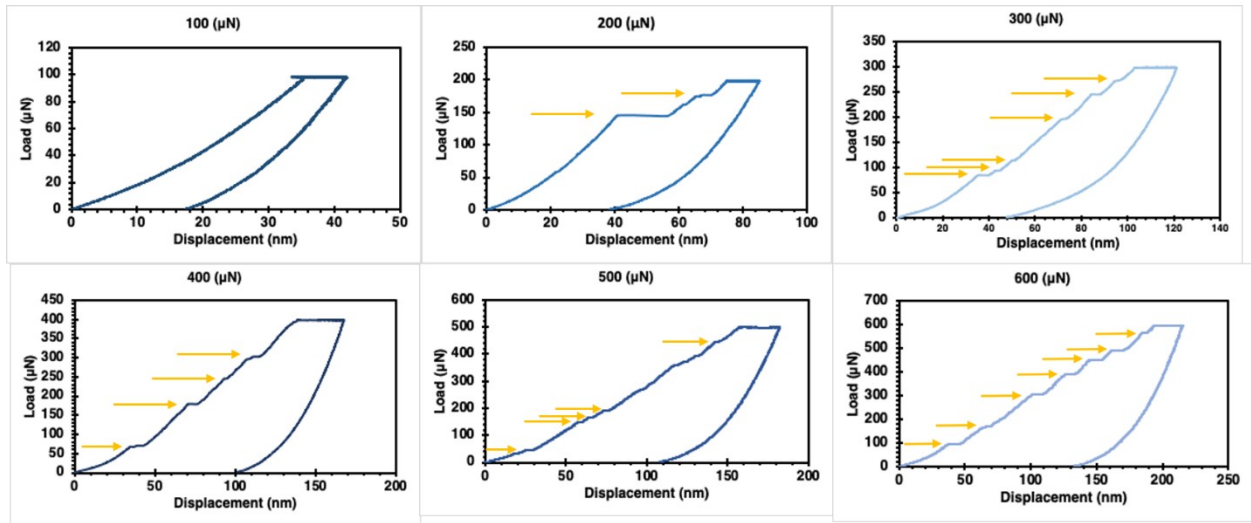


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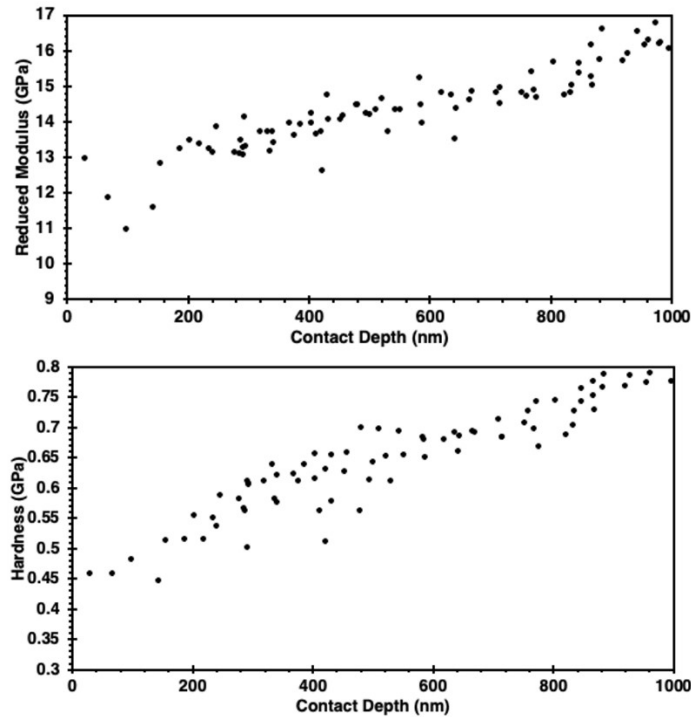


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Slip Planes... CYTOSM11

Minimum slab separation

Status Calculation completed

| | Orientation | Slab separation | Repeat distance | Offset | H-bonded | Perpendicular planes |
|----|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|----------|----------------------|
| 1 | (100) | 1.228 | 7.675 | -3.837 | yes | (102) |
| 2 | (102) | 0.536 | 3.188 | 0.000 | yes | (100) |
| 3 | (104) | 0.209 | 1.768 | -0.884 | yes | (100) |
| 4 | (102) | 0.105 | 3.188 | -1.978 | yes | (100) |
| 5 | (202) | -0.070 | 2.494 | 0.000 | yes | |
| 6 | (206) | -0.096 | 1.142 | 0.000 | yes | (100) |
| 7 | (106) | -0.111 | 1.212 | -0.606 | yes | (100) |
| 8 | (002) | -0.136 | 3.781 | +0.726 | yes | (100) |
| 9 | (114) | -0.146 | 1.740 | -0.870 | yes | (100) |
| 10 | (1-14) | -0.146 | 1.740 | 0.000 | yes | (100) |
| 11 | (214) | -0.258 | 1.573 | 0.000 | yes | (100) |
| 12 | (2-14) | -0.258 | 1.573 | -0.787 | yes | (100) |
| 13 | (213) | -0.272 | 1.924 | -0.962 | yes | (100) |
| 14 | (2-13) | -0.272 | 1.924 | -0.962 | yes | (100) |
| 15 | (012) | -0.275 | 3.528 | 0.000 | yes | (100) |
| 16 | (01-2) | -0.275 | 3.528 | -1.764 | yes | (100) |
| 17 | (308) | -0.281 | 0.842 | 0.000 | yes | (100) |
| 18 | (216) | -0.290 | 1.135 | -0.567 | yes | (100) |
| 19 | (2-16) | -0.290 | 1.135 | 0.000 | yes | (100) |
| 20 | (308) | -0.295 | 0.842 | -0.007 | yes | (100) |

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