

# MICROHARDNESS EVOLUTION OF LASER-DEPOSITED EQUIATOMIC FeNiCr COATINGS IN-SITU ALLOYED WITH B<sub>4</sub>C



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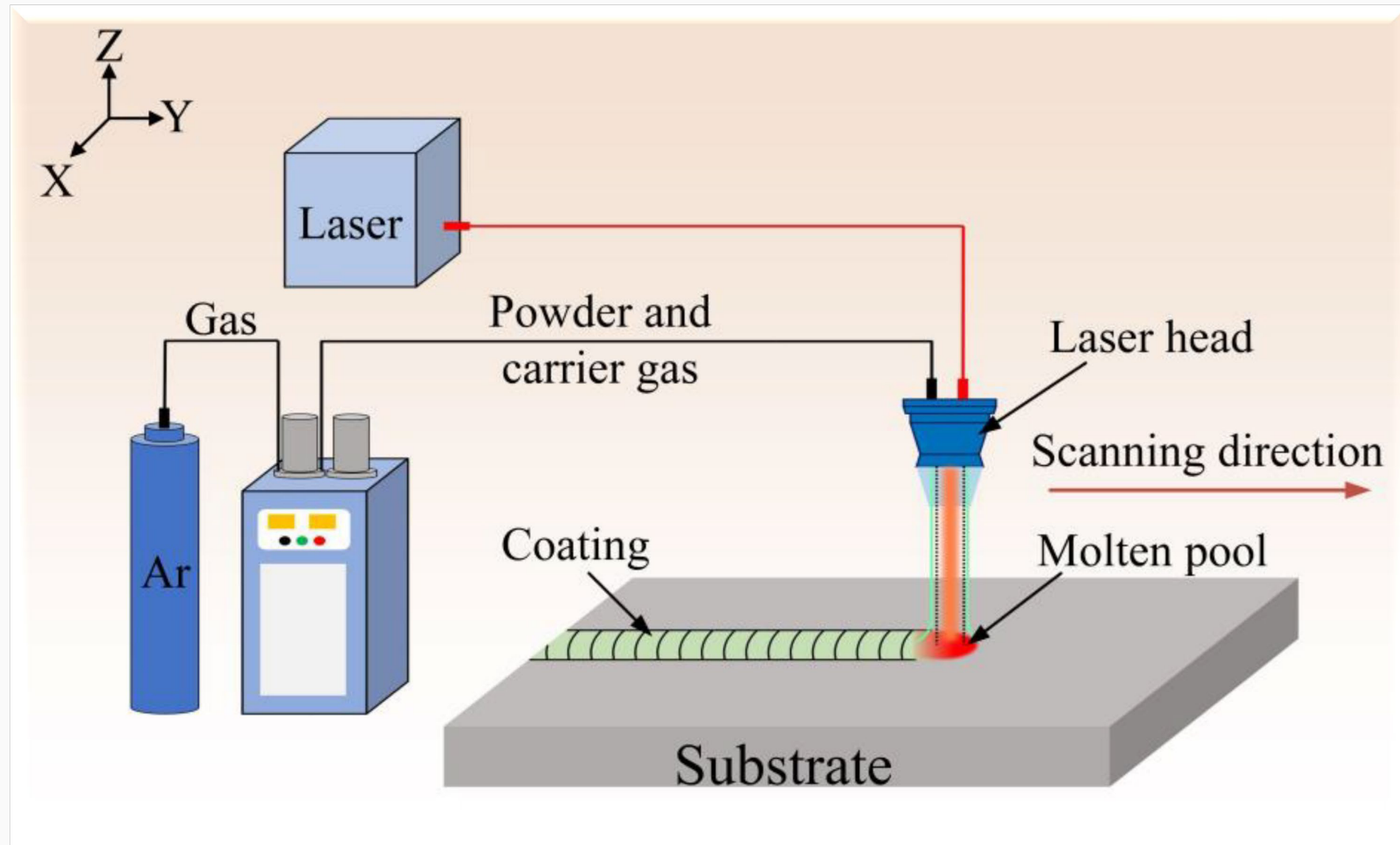
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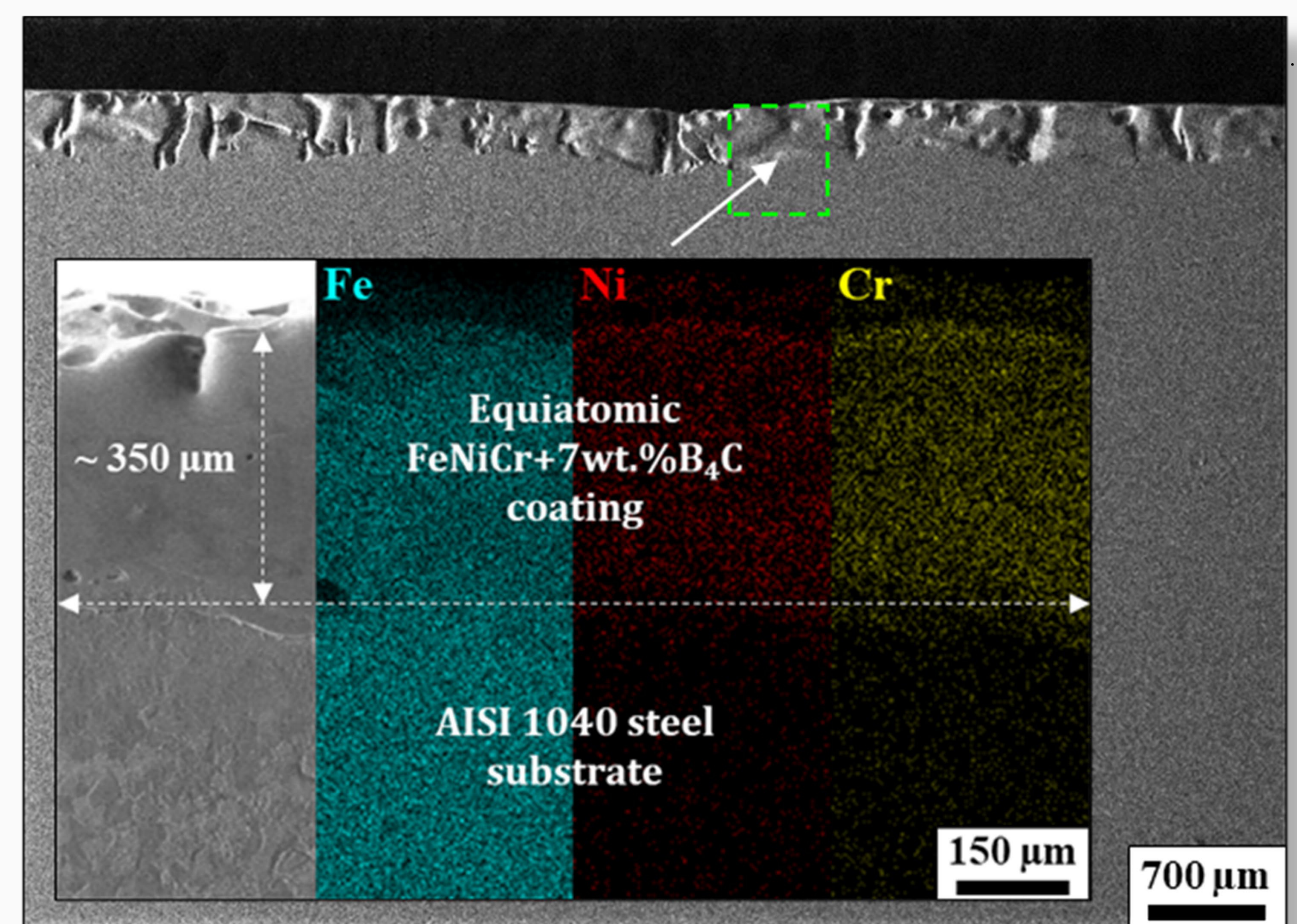
## SCHEMATIC ILLUSTRATION OF LASER CLADDING METHOD

Laser cladding is an additive manufacturing process (variety of SLS technology) to form coatings on various types of metal surfaces.



**THE STUDY GOAL:** Evaluate the impact of *in-situ* B<sub>4</sub>C alloying on the microhardness evolution of composite FeNiCr-B<sub>4</sub>C coatings synthesized by pulsed laser cladding.

## ELEMENTAL MAPPING OF THE SUBSTRATE-COATING AREA ON THE CROSS-SECTION OF THE FeNiCr+7wt.%B<sub>4</sub>C SAMPLE

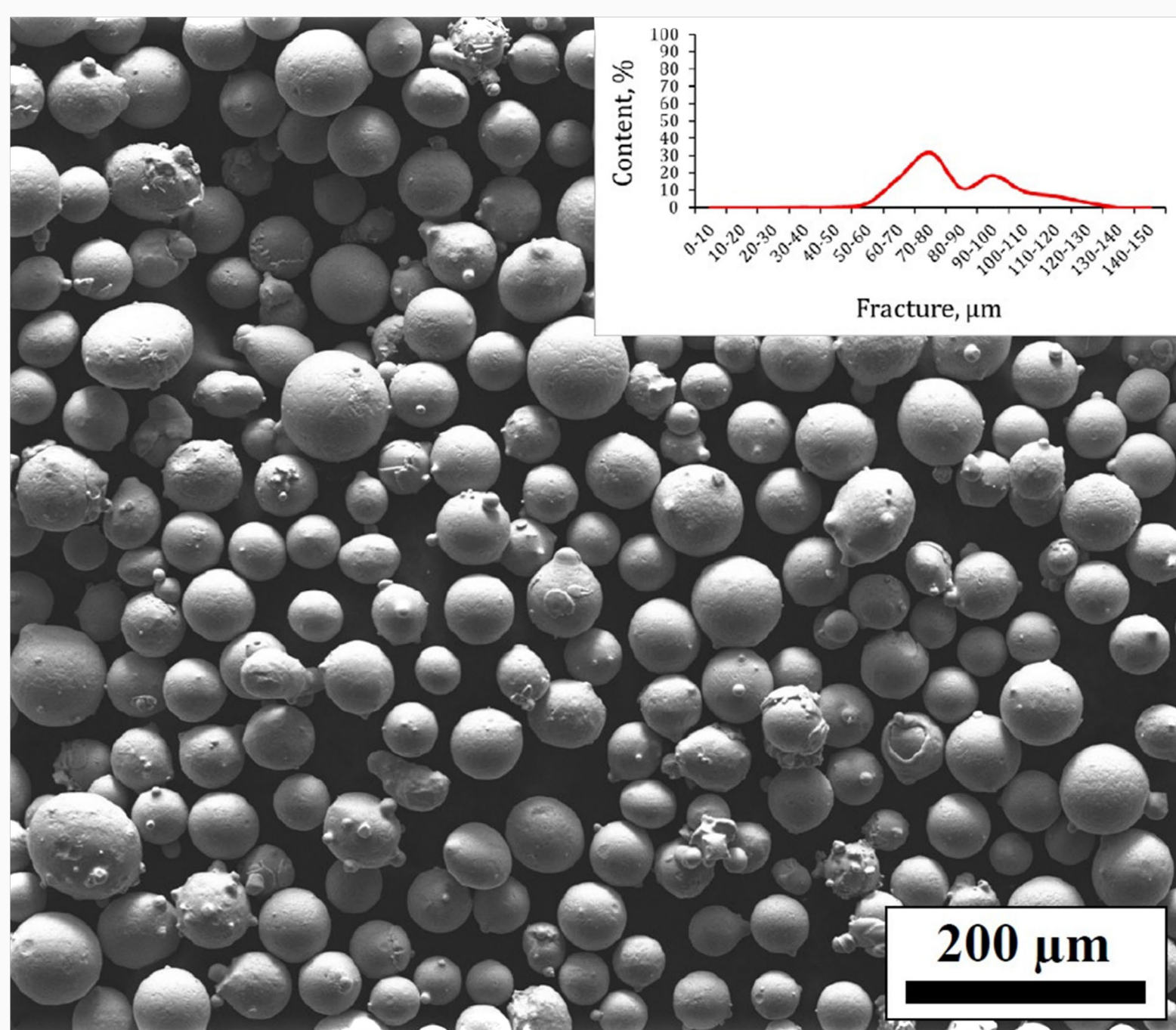


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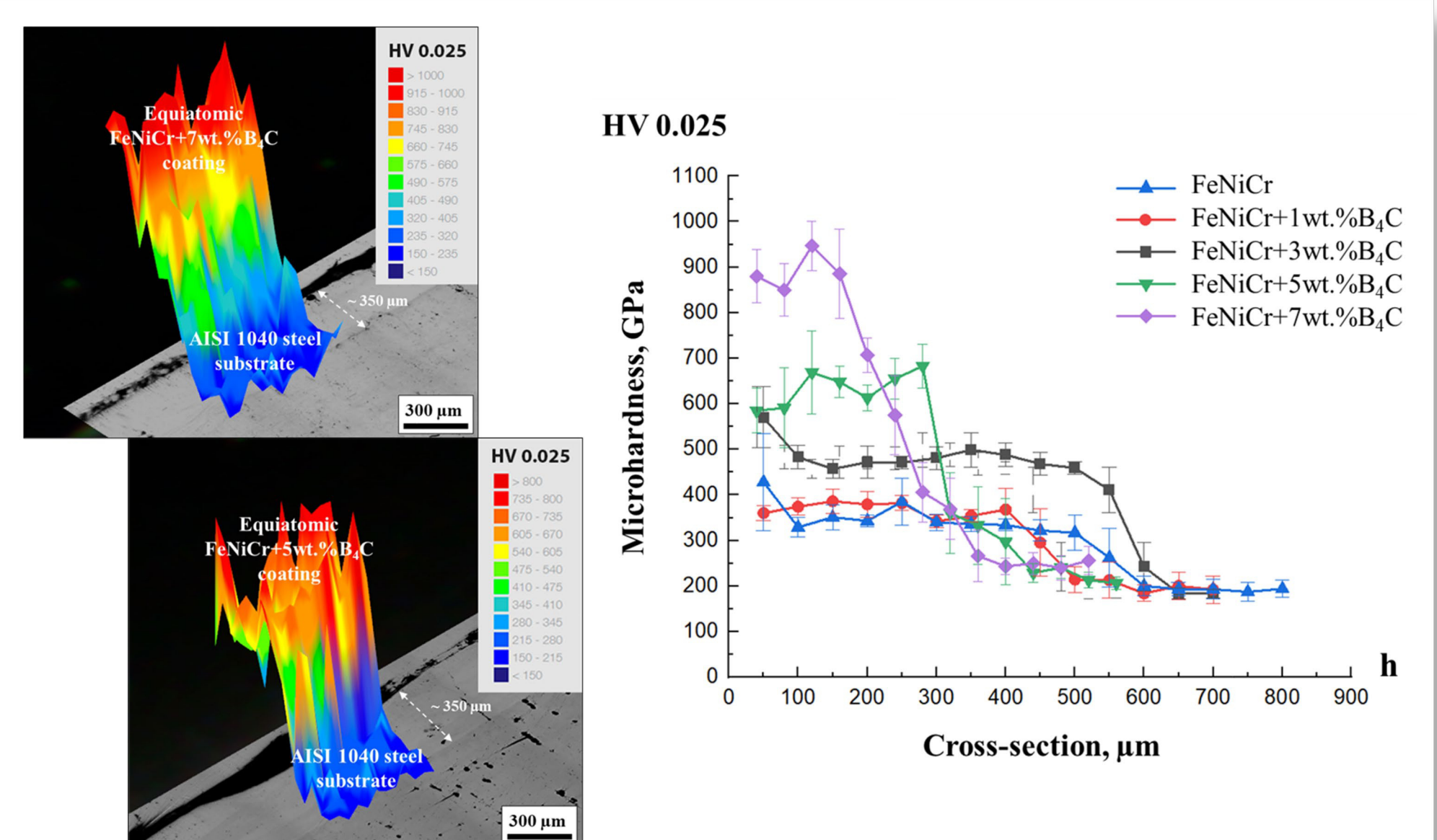
MECHANICAL CHARACTERIZATION

LASER CLADDING

## CUSTOM SPHERICAL EQUIATOMIC FeNiCr POWDER



## MECHANICAL BEHAVIOR EVOLUTION OF COMPOSITE FeNiCr-B<sub>4</sub>C COATINGS UNDER MICROINDENTATION



## CONCLUSION

□ Laser cladding combined with *in-situ* B<sub>4</sub>C alloying process can be considered as a promising method for obtaining strength composite FeNiCr-B<sub>4</sub>C coatings.