



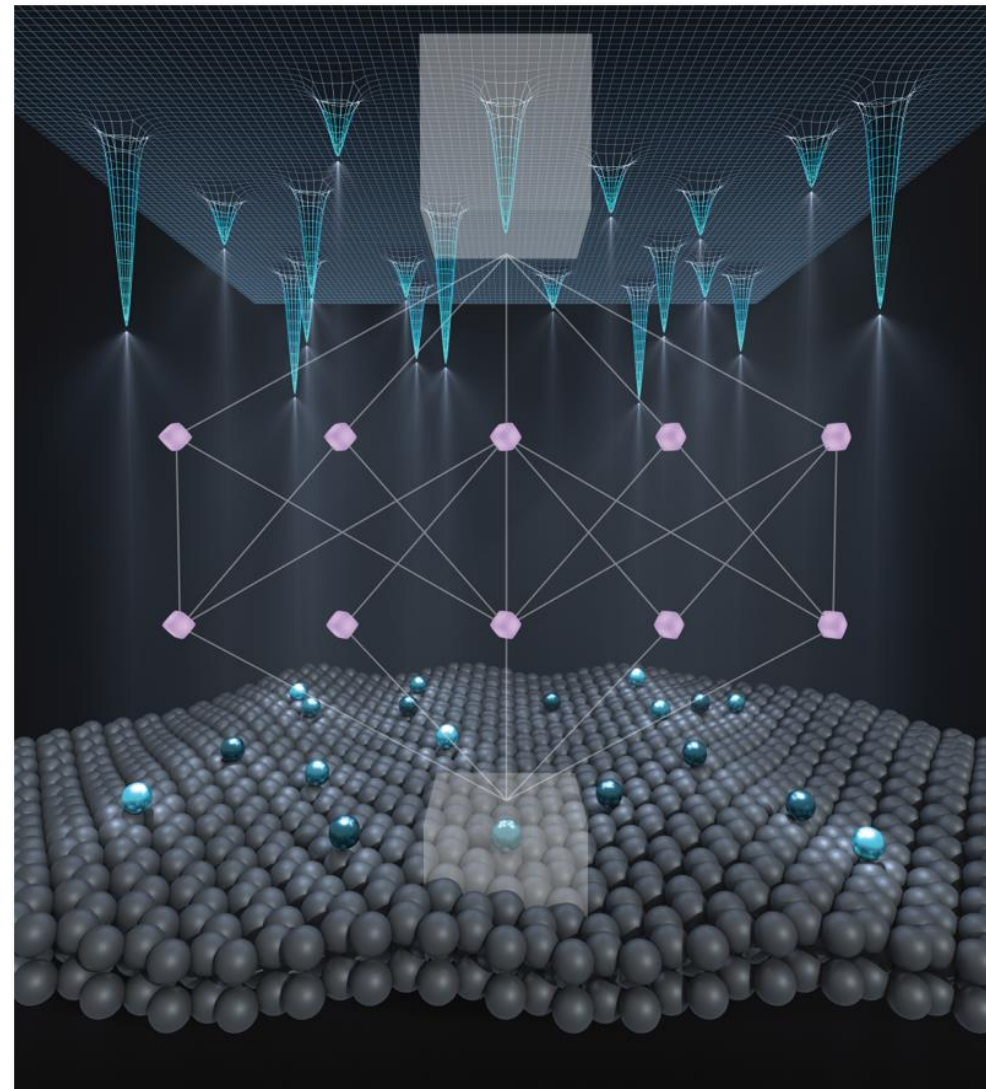
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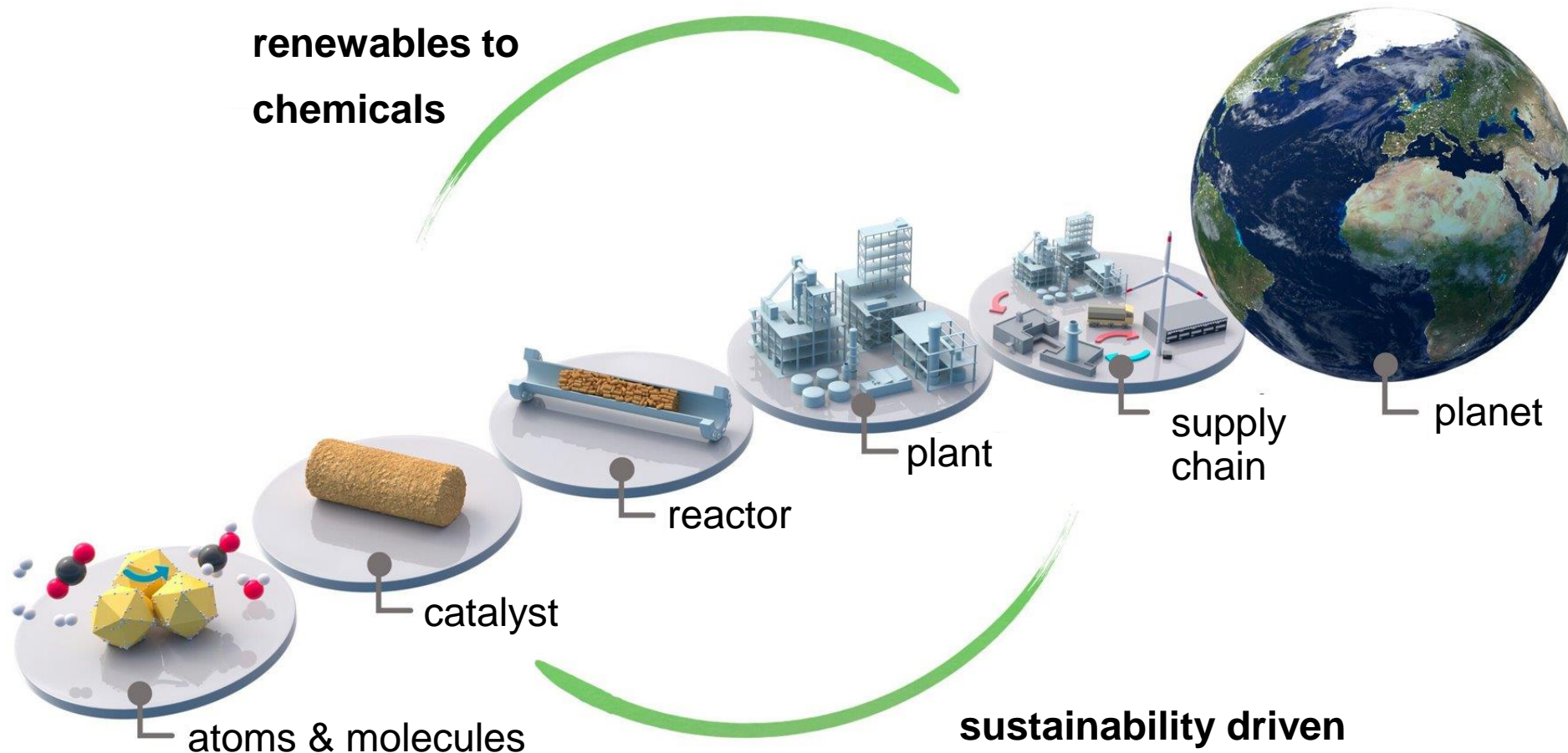
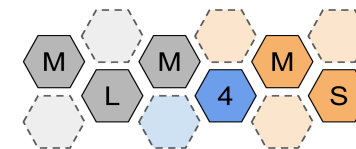
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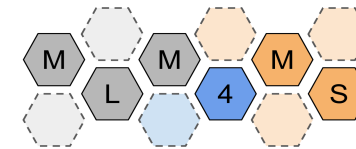
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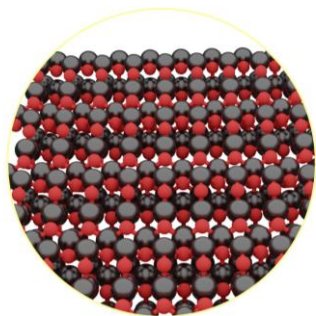
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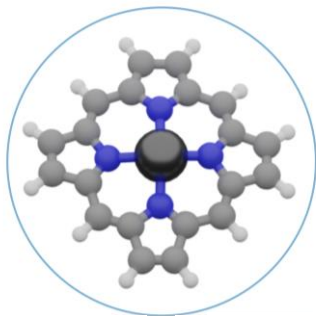


Heterogeneous



High amounts of metal

Risk of leaching

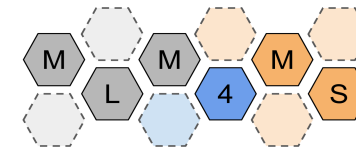


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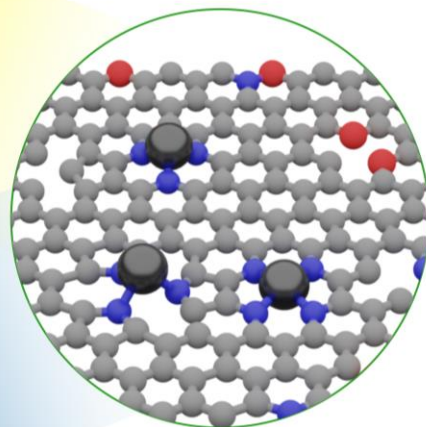
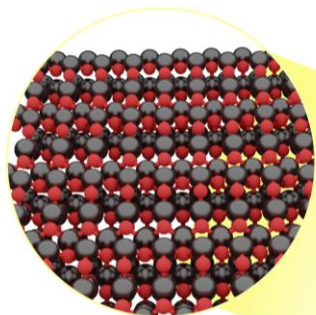
Waste generation

Homogeneous

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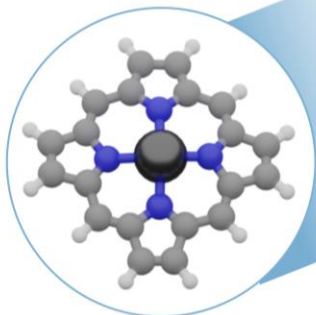


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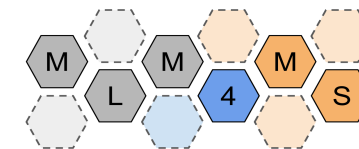
Single-atom
catalyst

Homogeneous

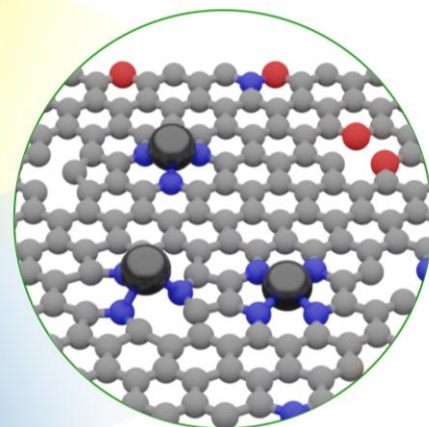
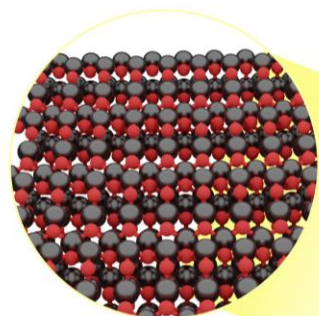


Unified theory in Catalysis
Bridging the best of heterogeneous
and homogeneous catalysis

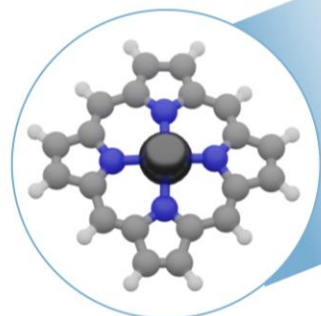
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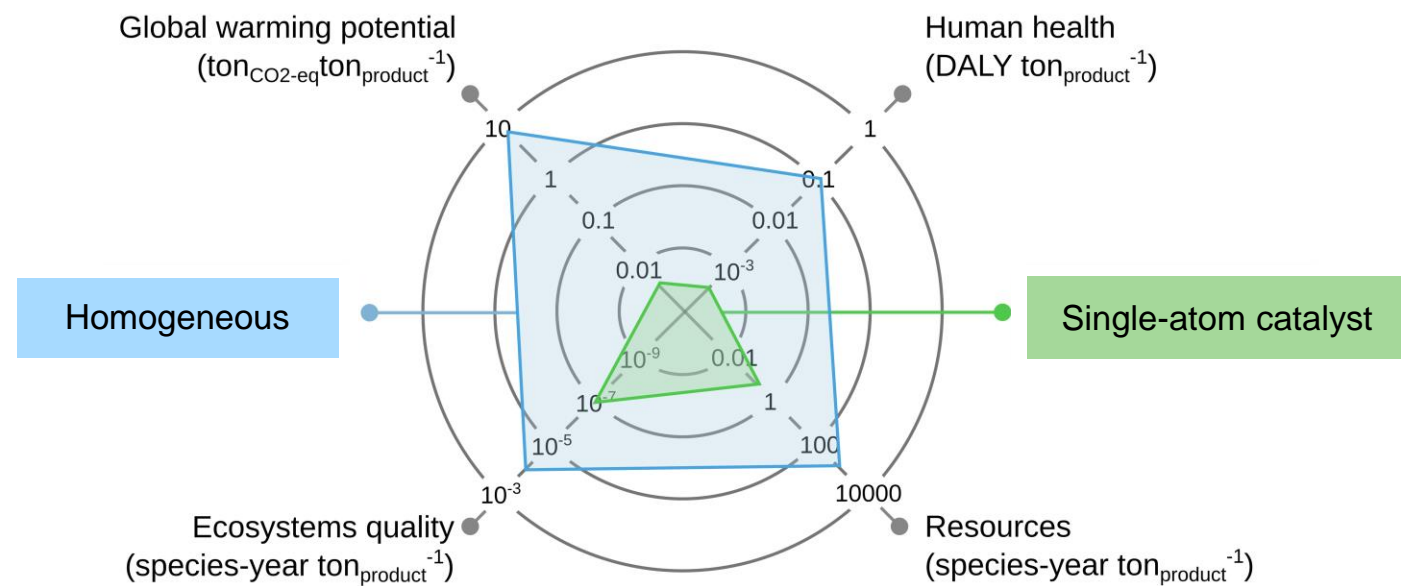
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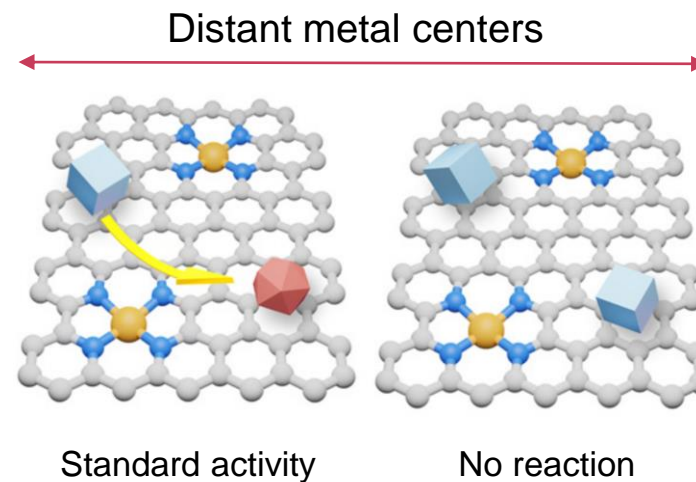
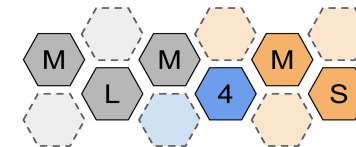
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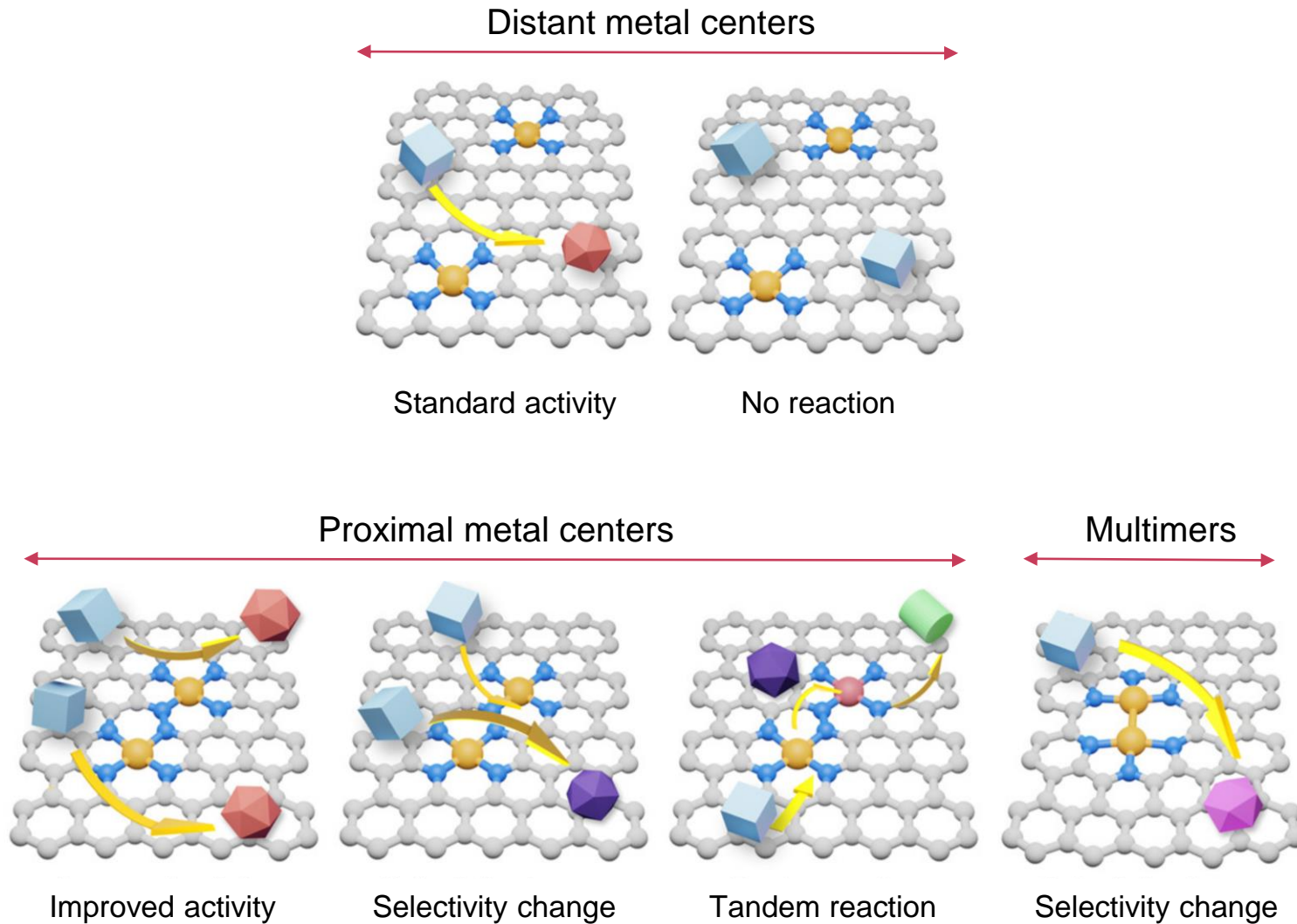
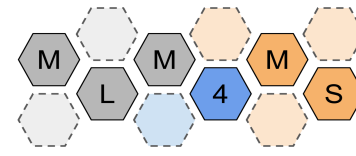
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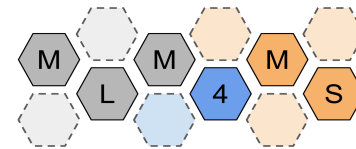
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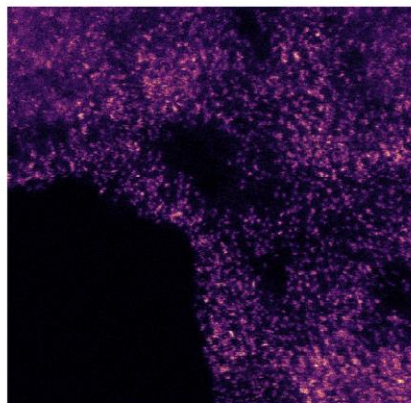
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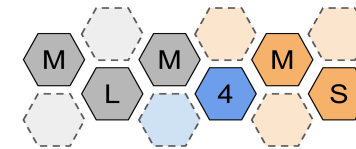
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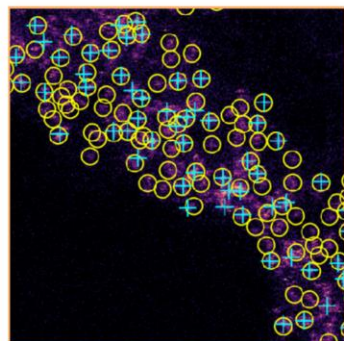
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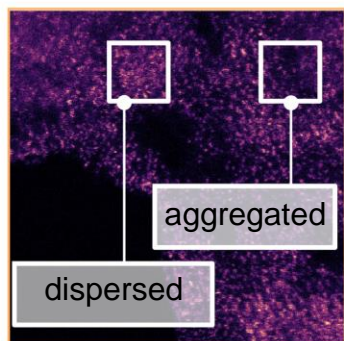
Catalyst characterization



Conventional analysis

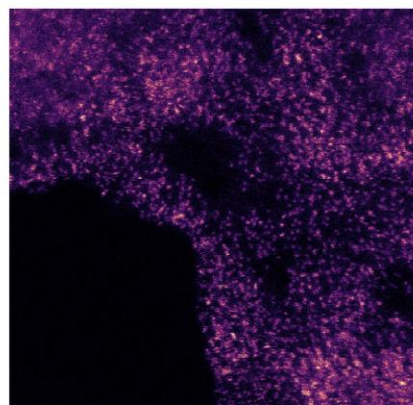


Manual atom detection

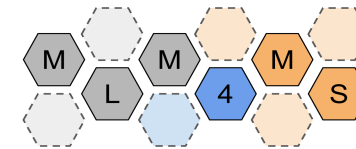


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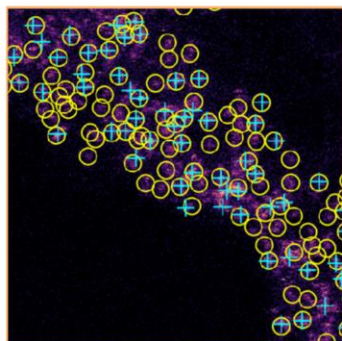
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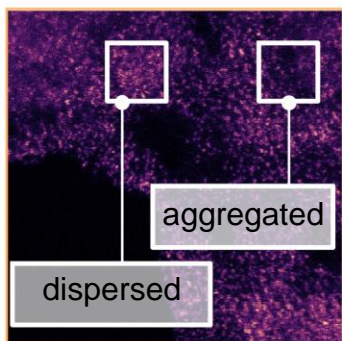
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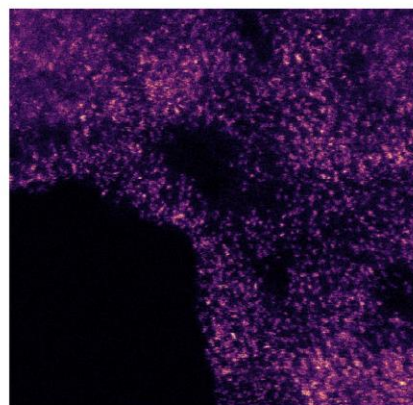


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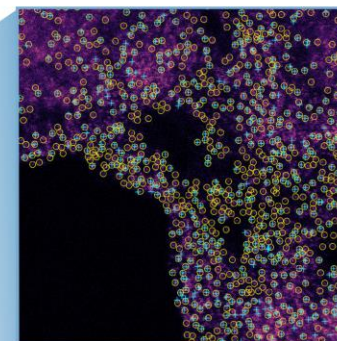


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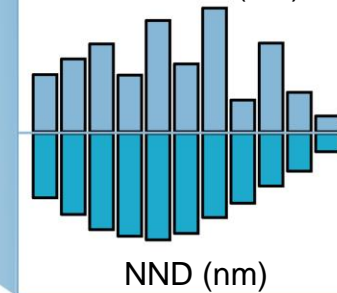


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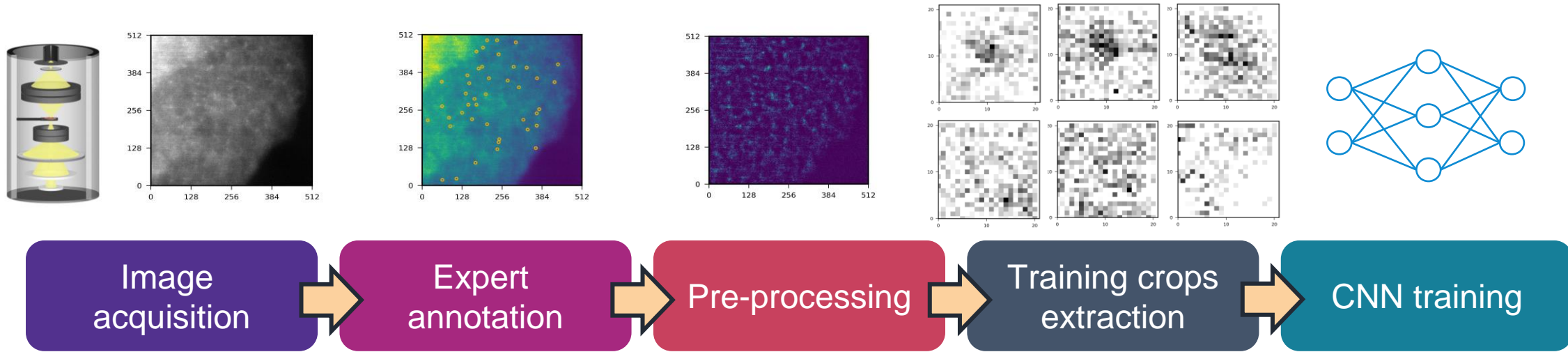
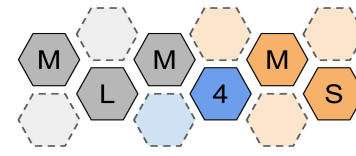
Large-scale labeling

Cluster size (nm)

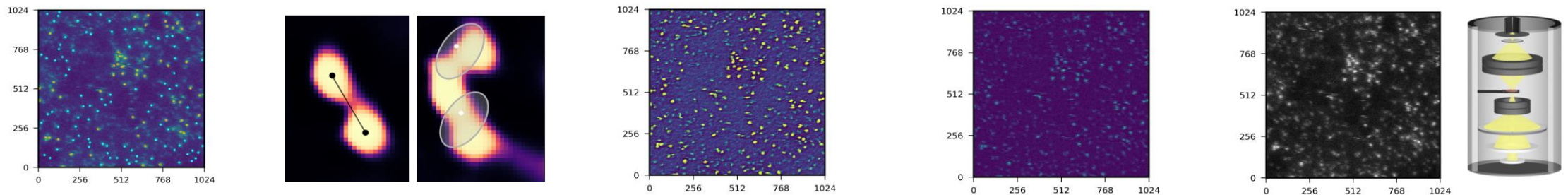
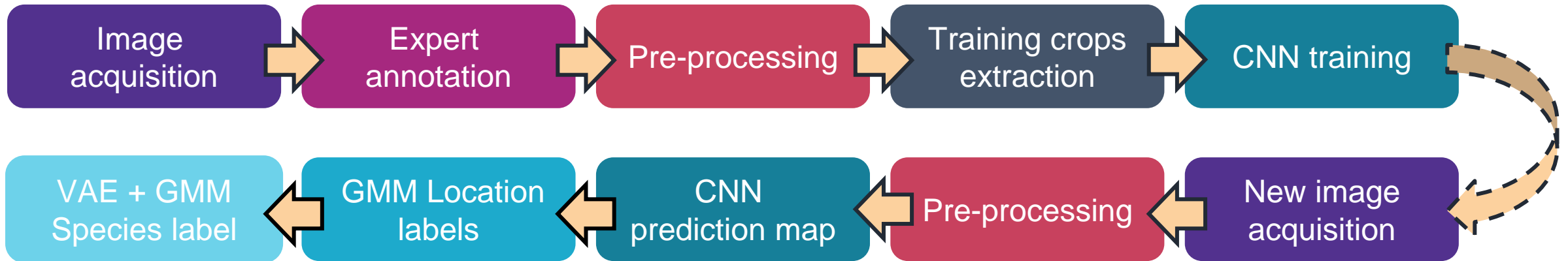
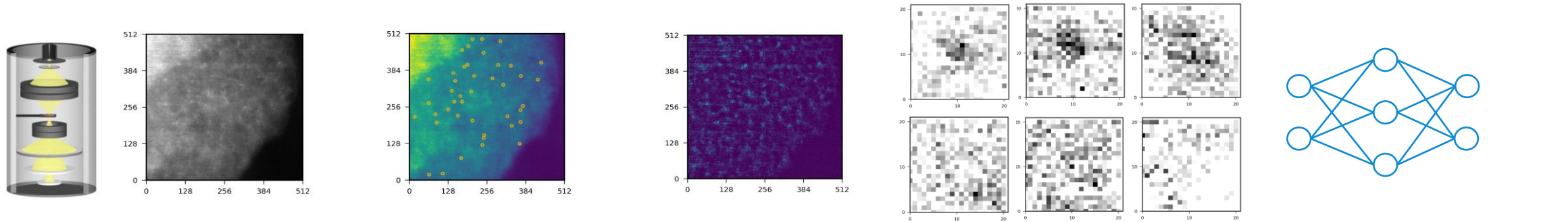
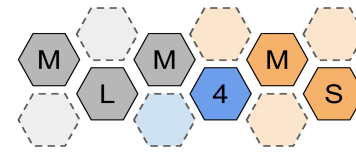


Quantitative dispersion

Automated SAC STEM Image Analysis Workflow

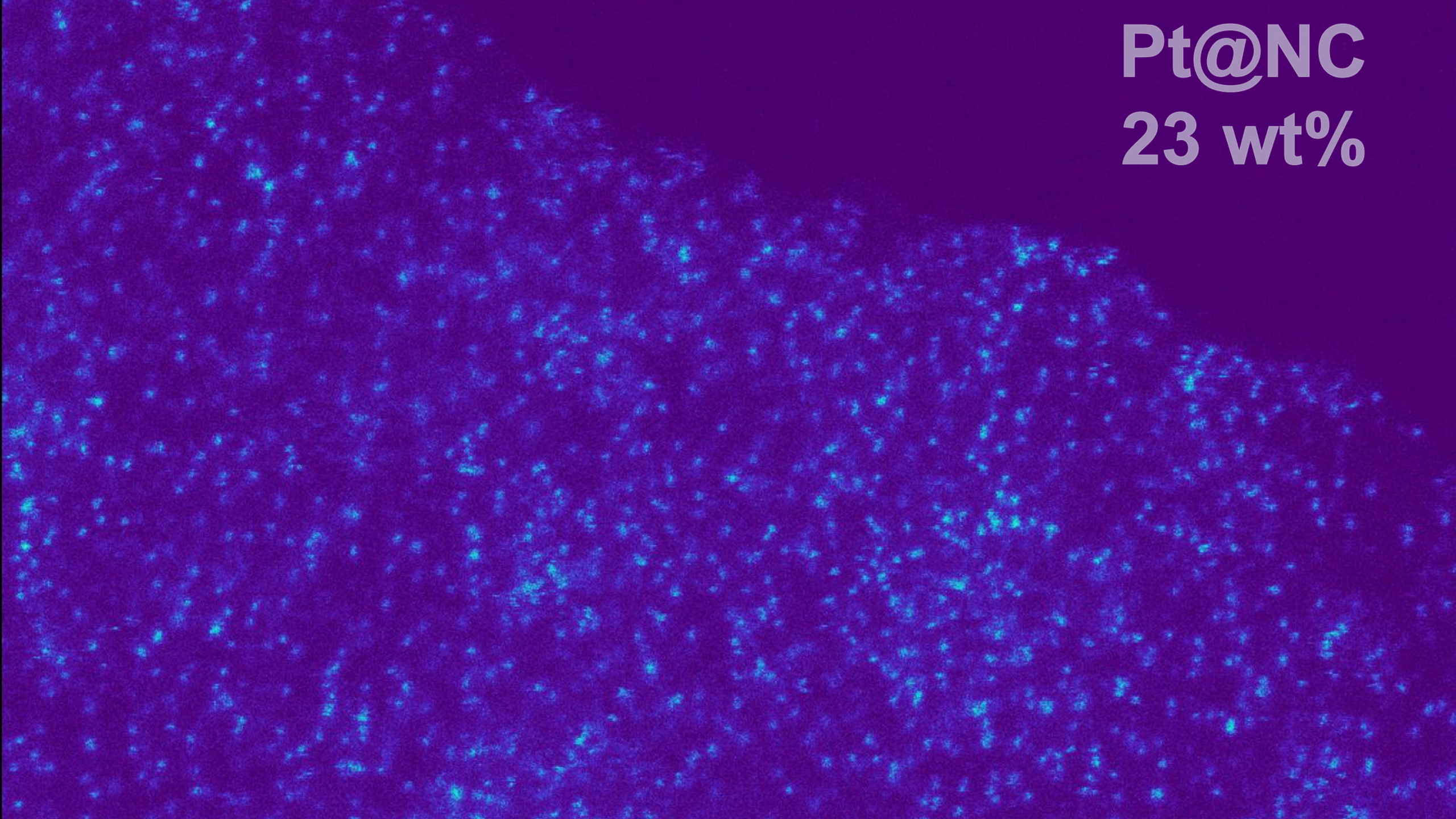


Automated SAC STEM Image Analysis Workflow



Pt@NC

23 wt%



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1 nm



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— cluster

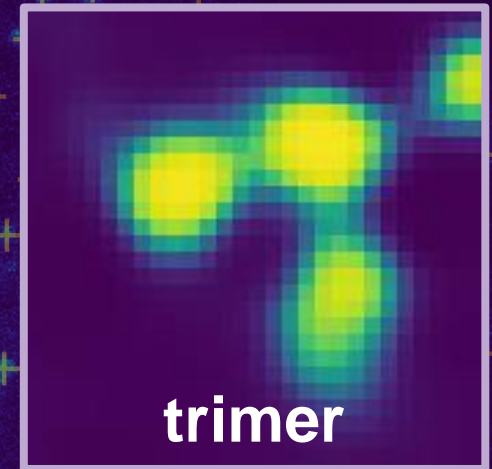
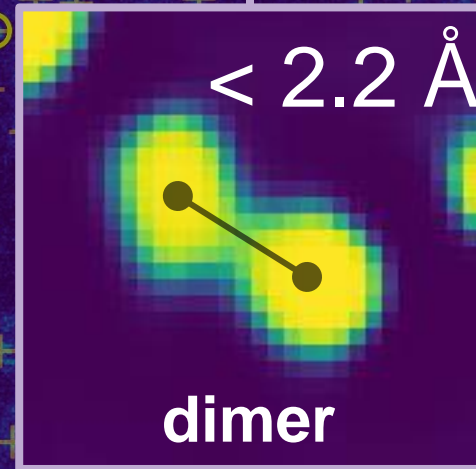
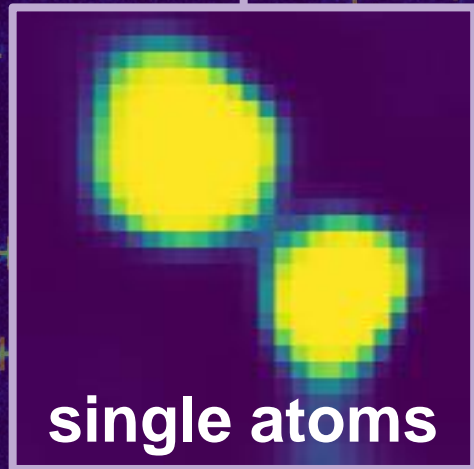
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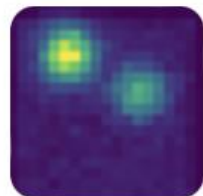
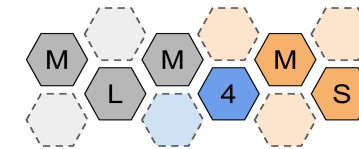
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1 nm

A white horizontal scale bar representing 1 nm.

Digital tools for our community



Stem Atoms 

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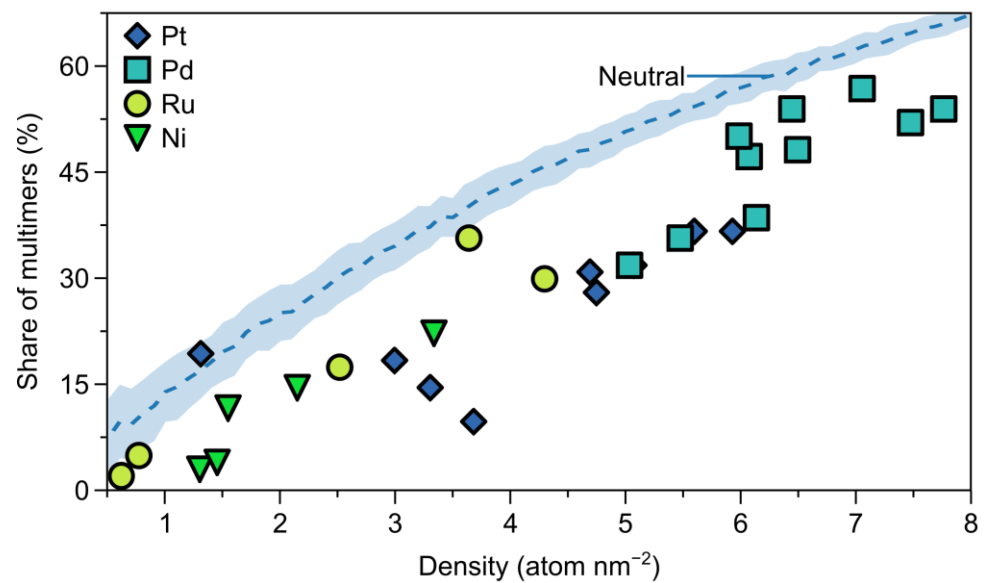
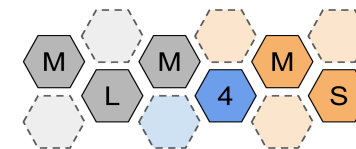
Efficient and automated analysis

Standardized and reproducible

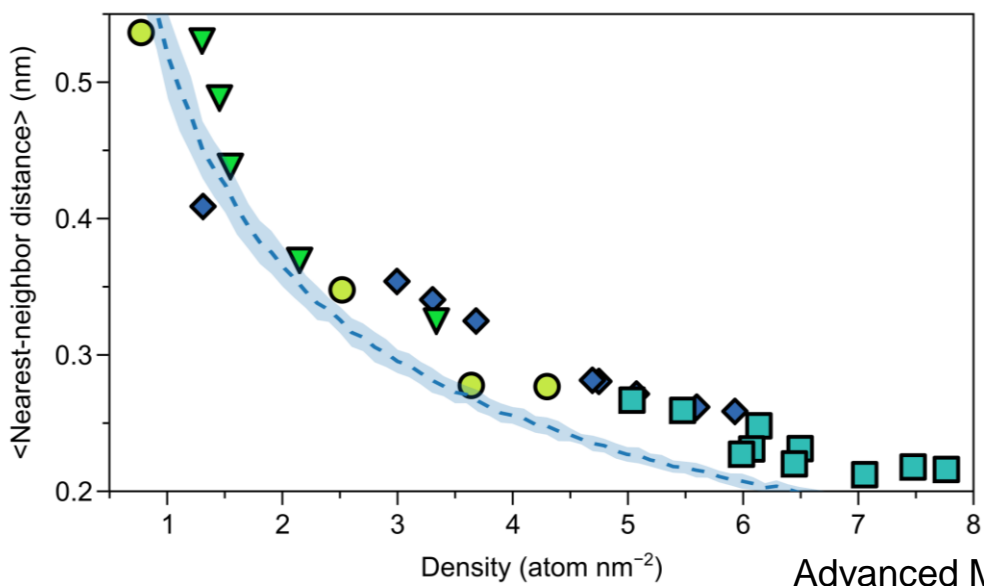
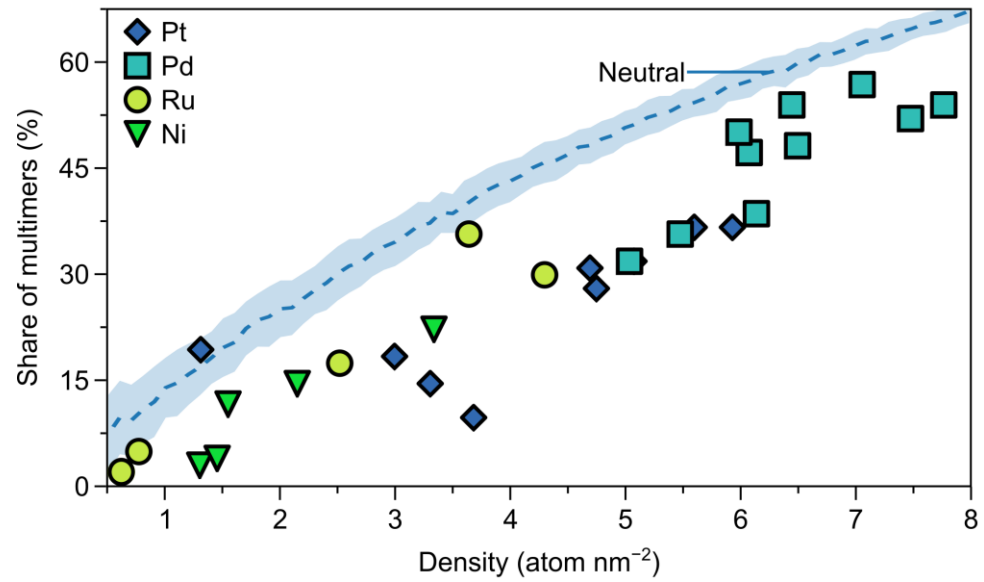
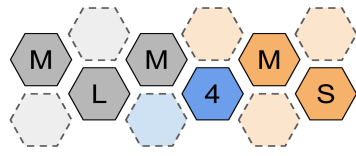
General and transferable

Open-access

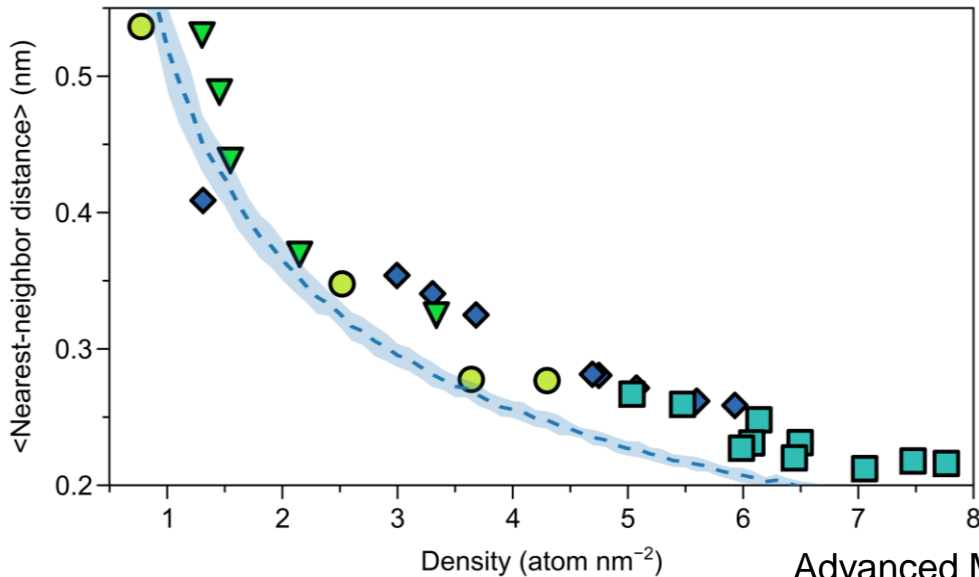
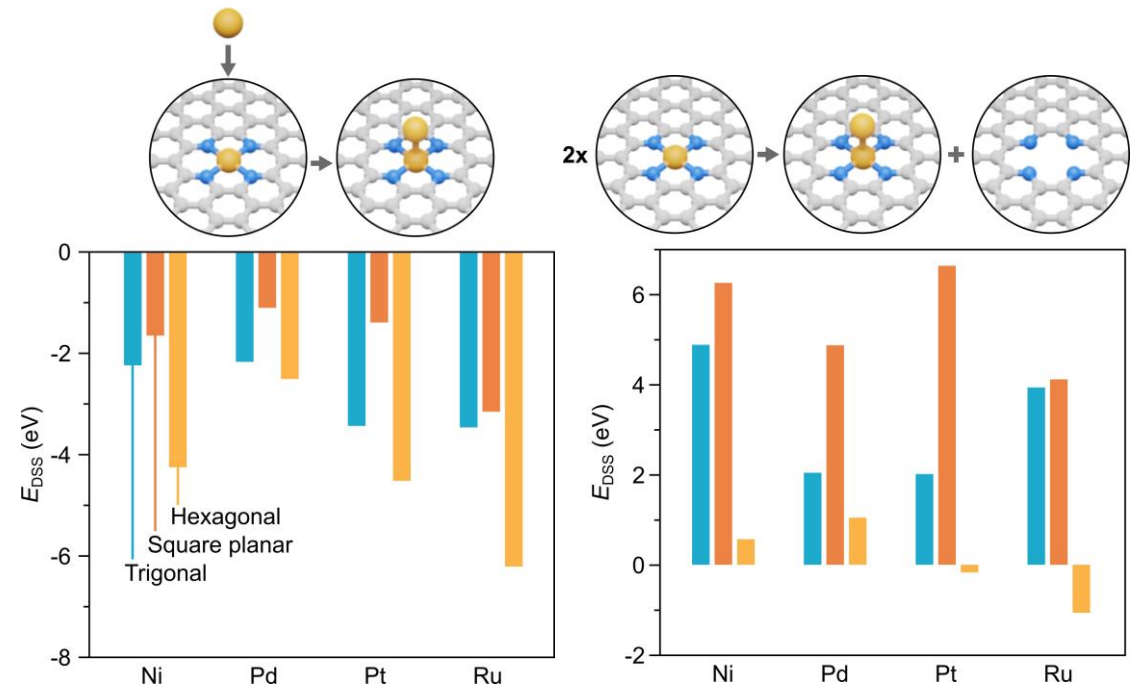
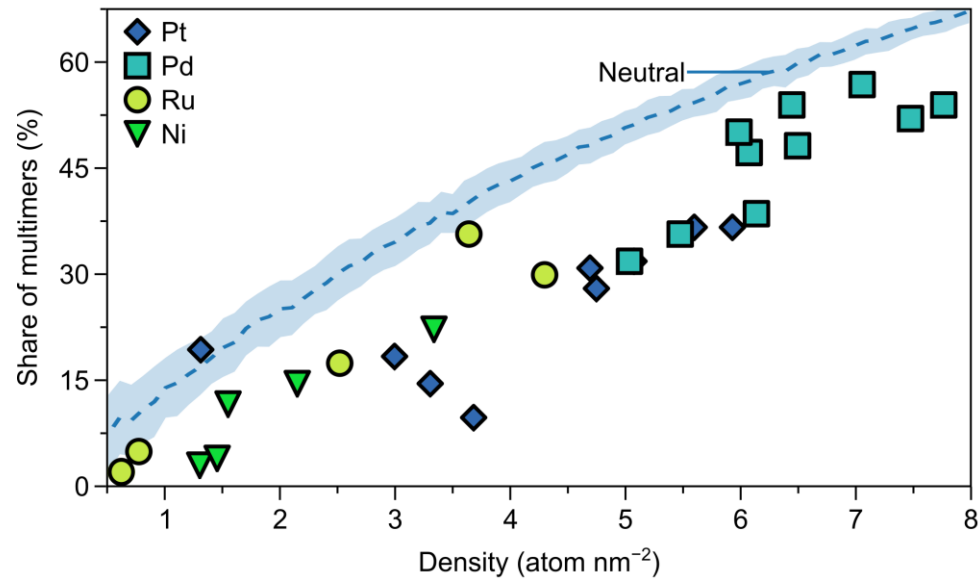
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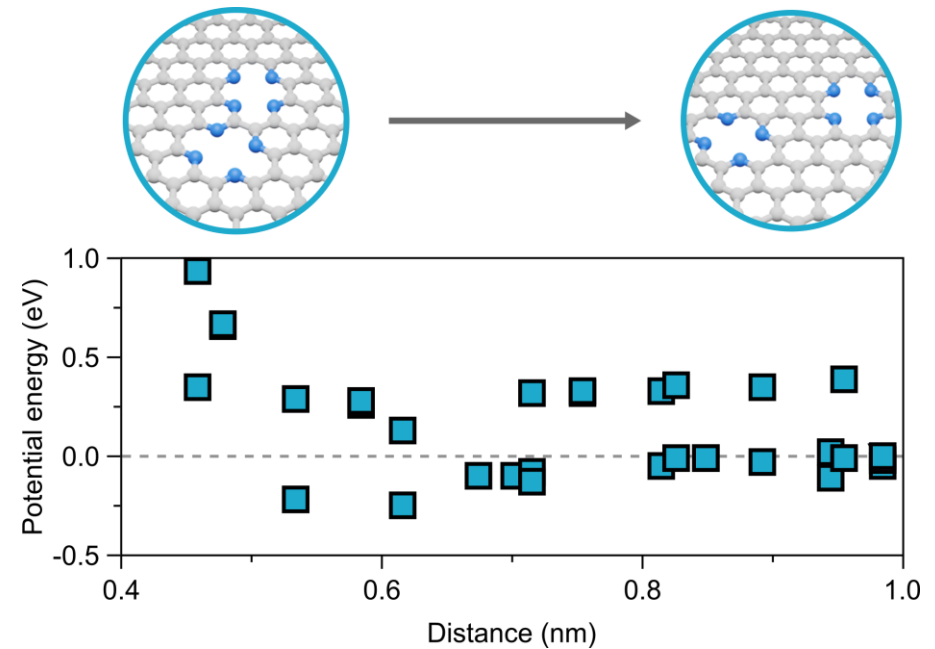
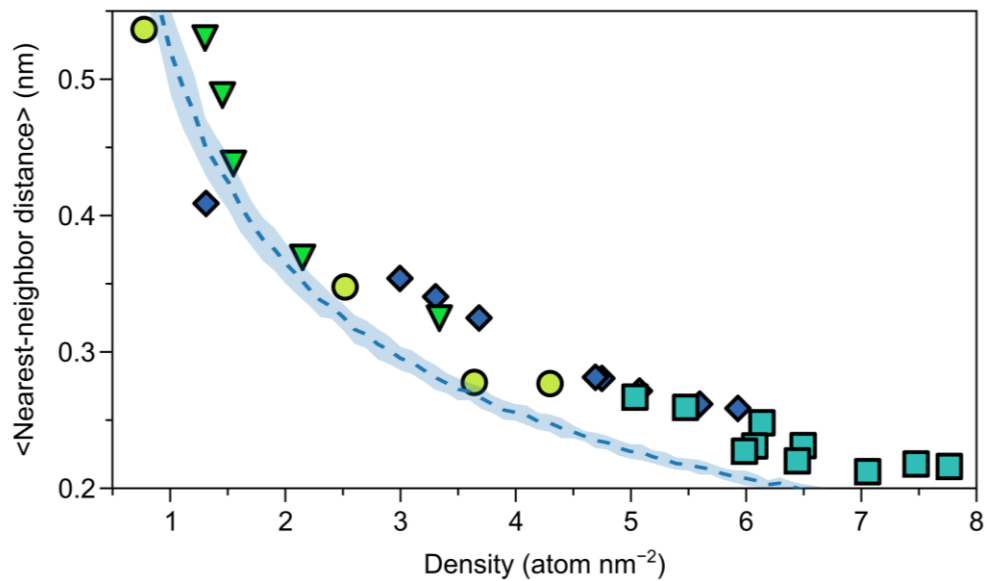
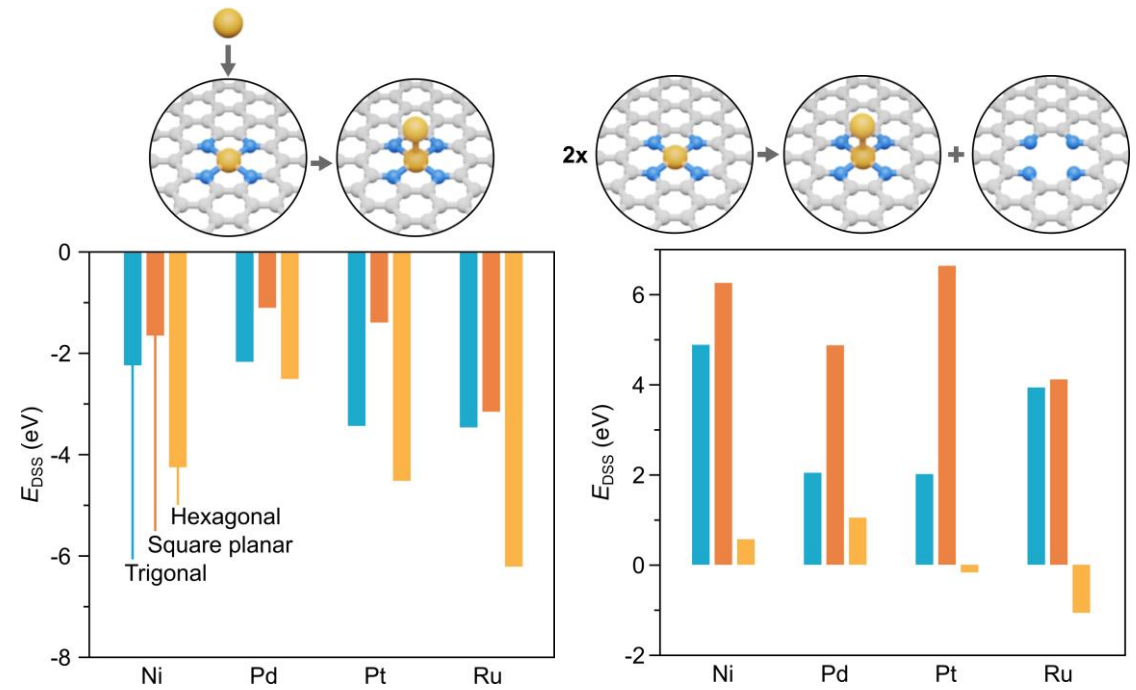
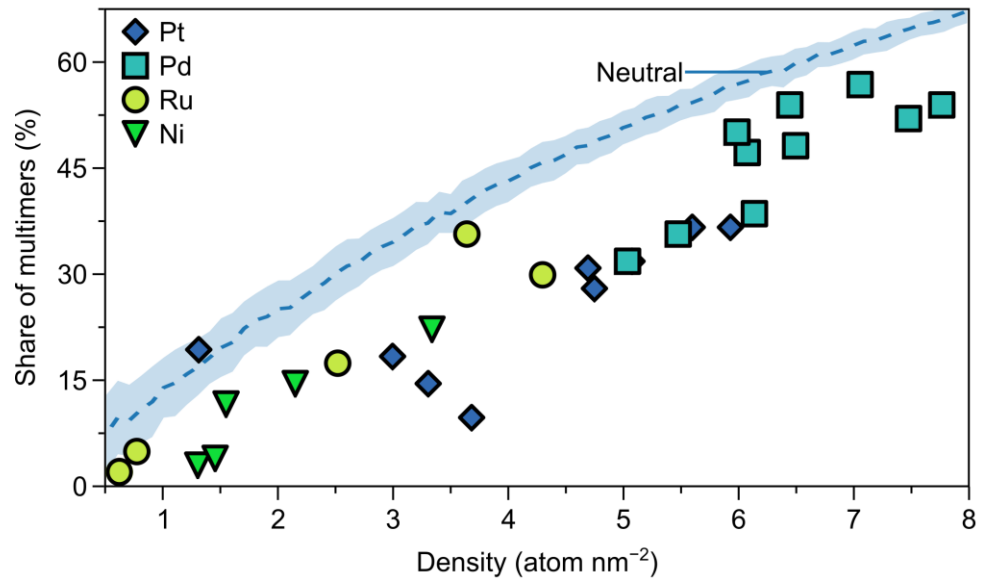
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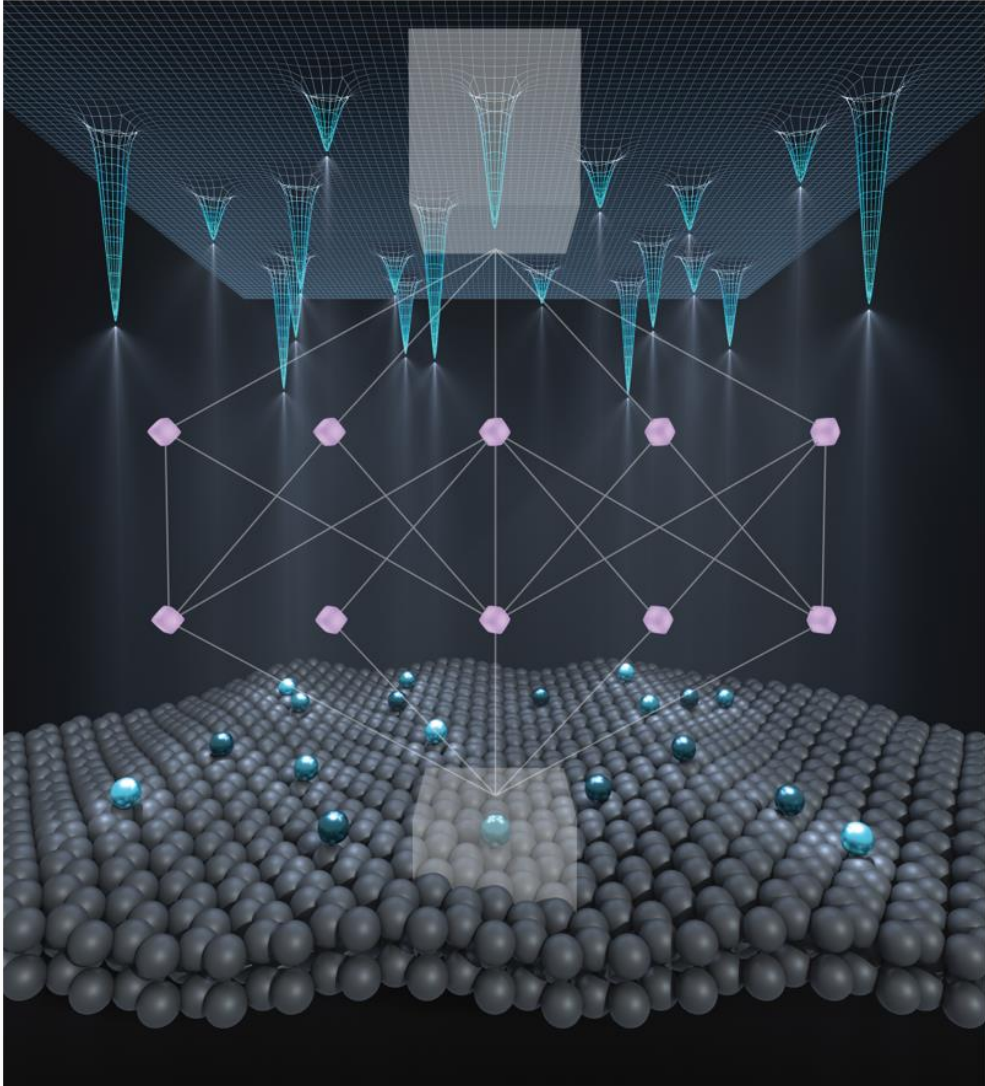
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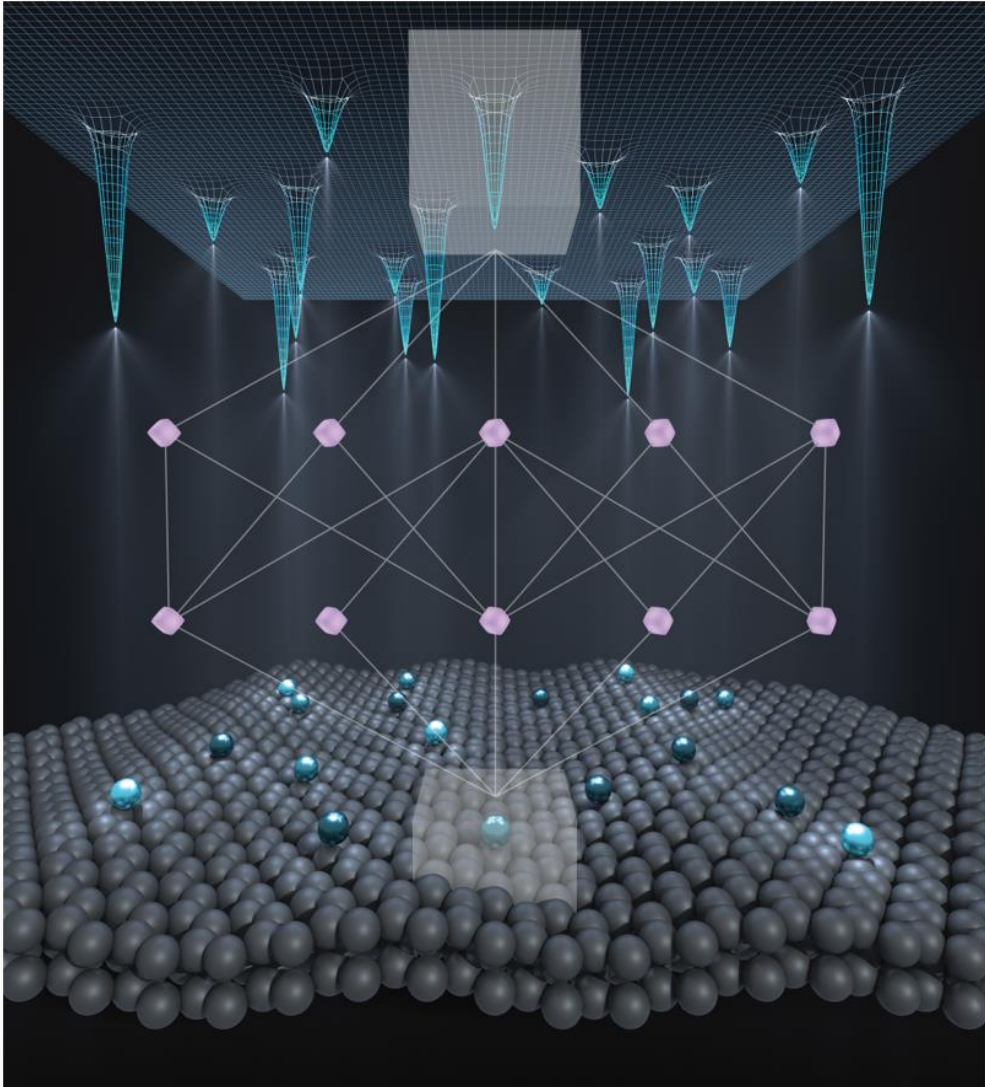
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Quantitative insights of metal distribution

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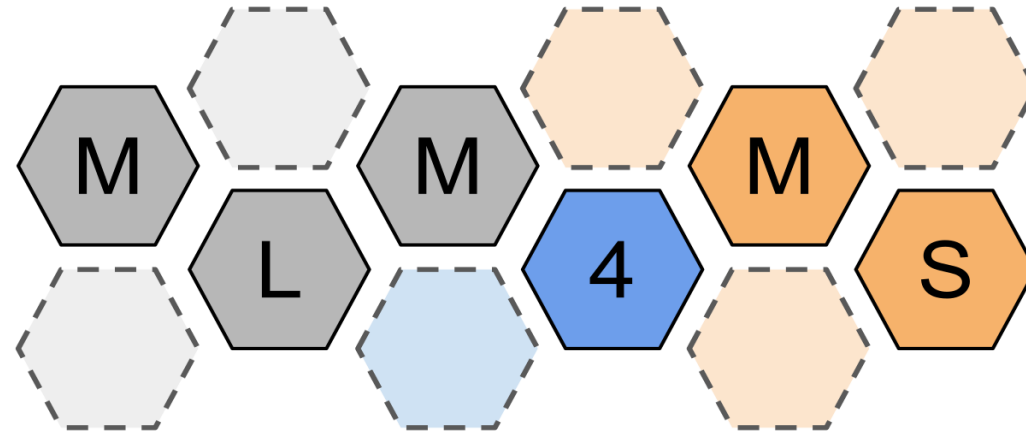
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Future prospects

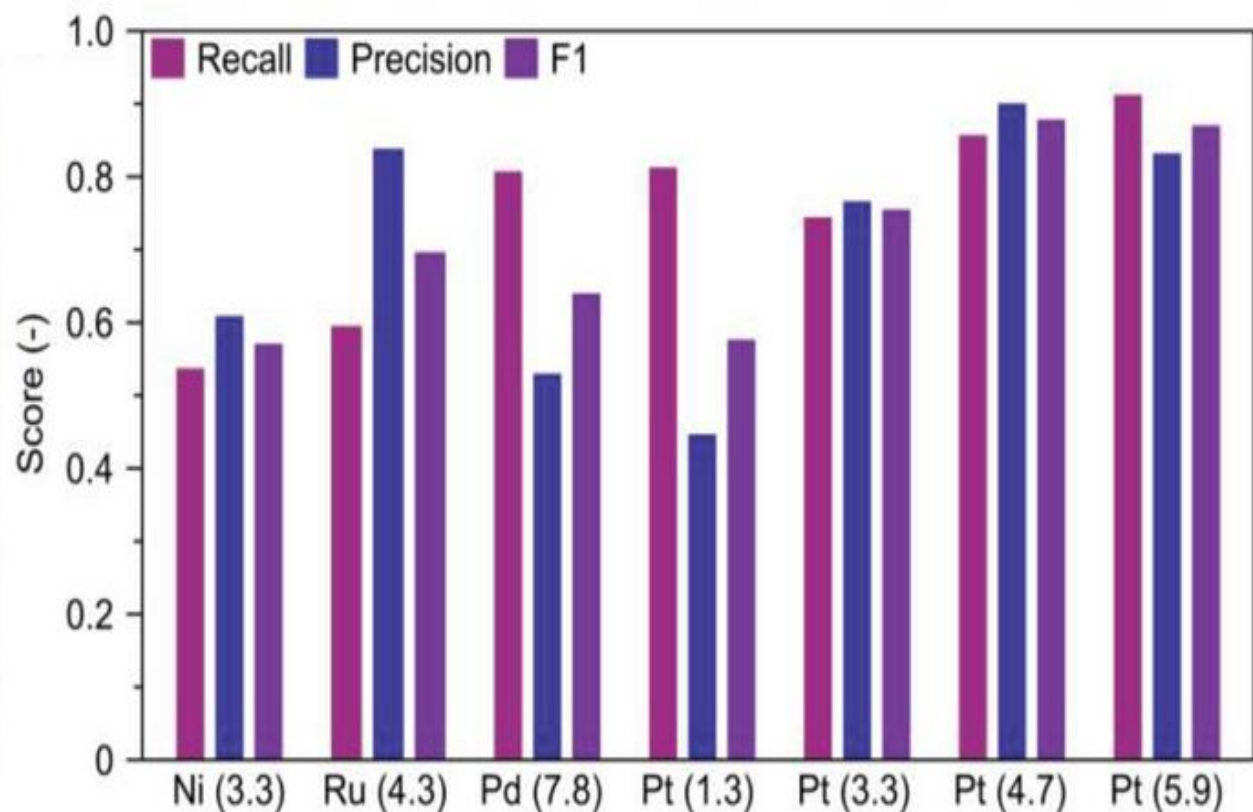
Standardization of analysis methodologies

Integrate pipeline to other techniques



Thank you!

Model Performance



Performance increases with higher atomic number

Less tendency to false positives; but inherent challenge in lighter atoms (also evident to domain experts)

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \quad Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$Accuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + FP + FN + TN}$$

$$F1 \text{ Score} = 2 \times \frac{Precision \times Recall}{Precision + Recall}$$

Additional information on the pipeline

Training data points: more than 8000 metal centers detected by the human-expert.

Limitations: ground truth is subject to human bias in visual perception.

Next steps in the use of the supervised approach: platform to crowdsource annotations to standardize and quantify the uncertainty associated with the predictions made by the model.