## Performance of hot stacked-sinter forged Bi2223 ceramics

E. Guilmeau, D. Bourgault, D. Chateigner, J.G. Noudem and B. Ouladdiaf

## CRISMAT-ISMRA, CNRS/UMR 6508, 6 Bd Maréchal Juin, 14050 CAEN Cedex, France

Dense Bi2223 superconductors have been successfully formed by hot Stacking-forging process (HSFP). The X-ray and neutron diffraction measurements were used to investigate the free surfaces and bulk textures of HSF-Bi2223 samples.

Transport critical current data of the textured superconductor samples were obtained using DC-measurements. According to current-voltage curves, the transition between the superconducting state and the flux-flow regime corresponds to a high transport critical current density ( $J_c$ ) up to  $2x10^4$  A/cm<sup>2</sup> at 77 K in a self field. In addition,  $J_{c_7}$ -values were measured at various temperatures and different applied magnetic fields. Several textured pieces were hot-stacked under various applied stresses. This procedure leads to an increase of both the sample thickness and the nominal engineering critical current ( $I_c$ ), favourable hints for further –in order to use of textured-Bi2223 in for practical power generation supplies.