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Advanced characterization of
of thin protective films over
steels developed by plasma
assisted techniques

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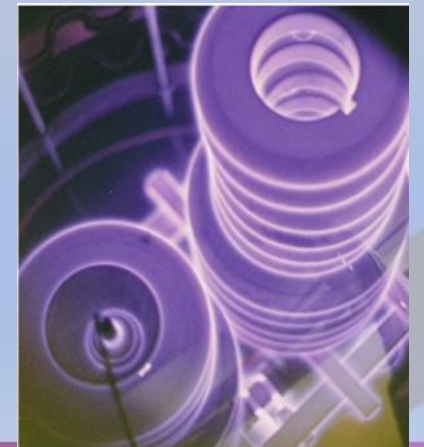
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We work in:

- Plasma assisted surface modification treatments (ion nitriding and nitrocarburizing, plasma oxidation)
- PVD and CVD coatings deposited by plasma assisted techniques
- Combination of different surface processes

With the goal:

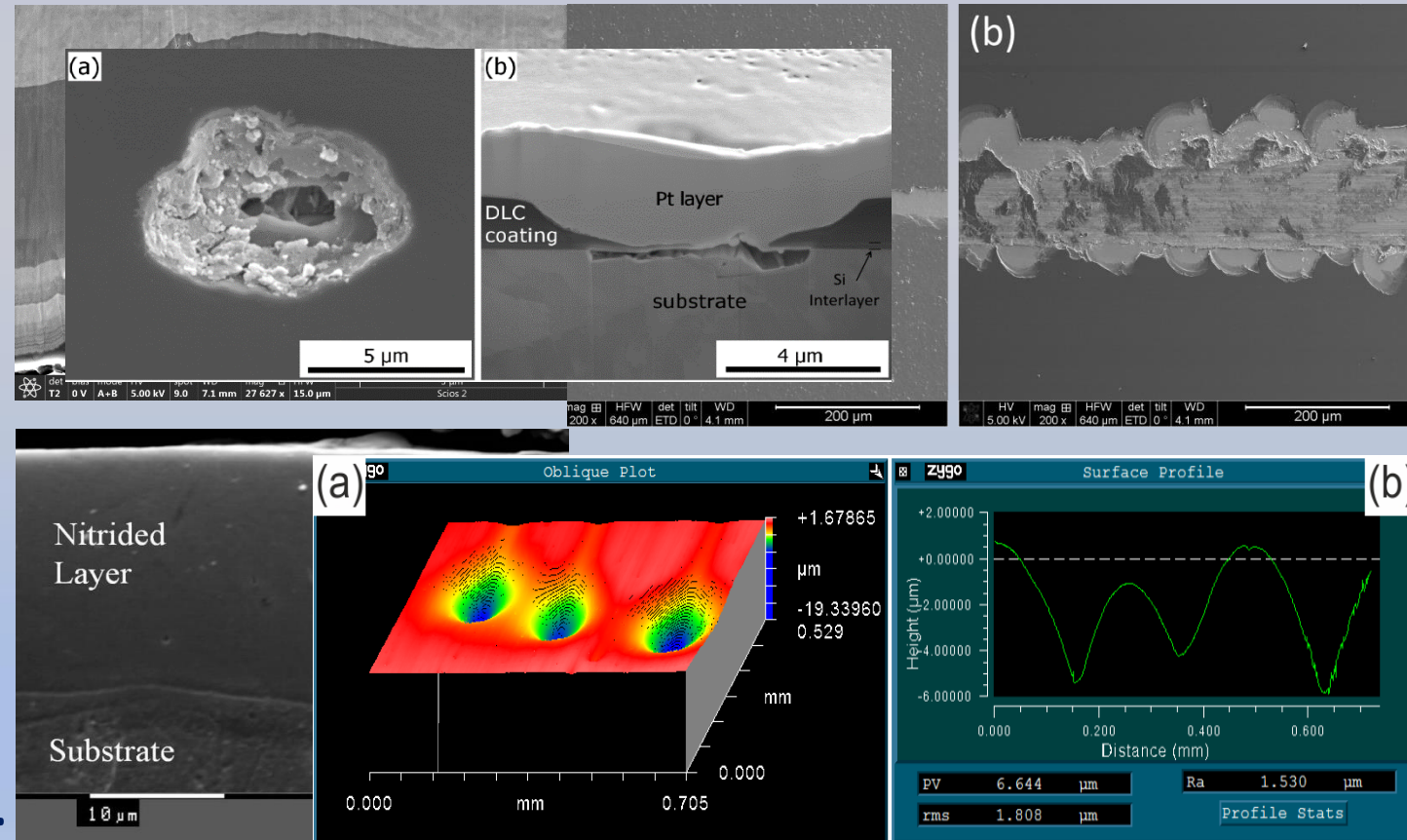
To increase wear and corrosion resistance of steels to increase the useful work-life of mechanical components in different industries



Advanced characterization

- Modified structures surface layers on surface and in depth
- Film-substrate interface
- Wear test scars, surface and subsurface
- Adhesion Scratch Test tracks
- Corrosion pits, from the surface and looking in the subsurface

OM, GDOES, SEM, FIB, EDS, WLI, Confocal Mic.



Main results

- ❑ Design of adhesion interlayers
- ❑ Determination of the coating suitable for a determined environment
- ❑ Design of process parameters (time, temperature, gases concentration, etc.)
- ❑ Effective transfer to the argentine firms which produce these processes and films
- ❑ Wear and corrosion tests comparing with overseas or inland commercial coatings





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