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EXTRUDED SCINTILLATOR R&D FOR MINERVA

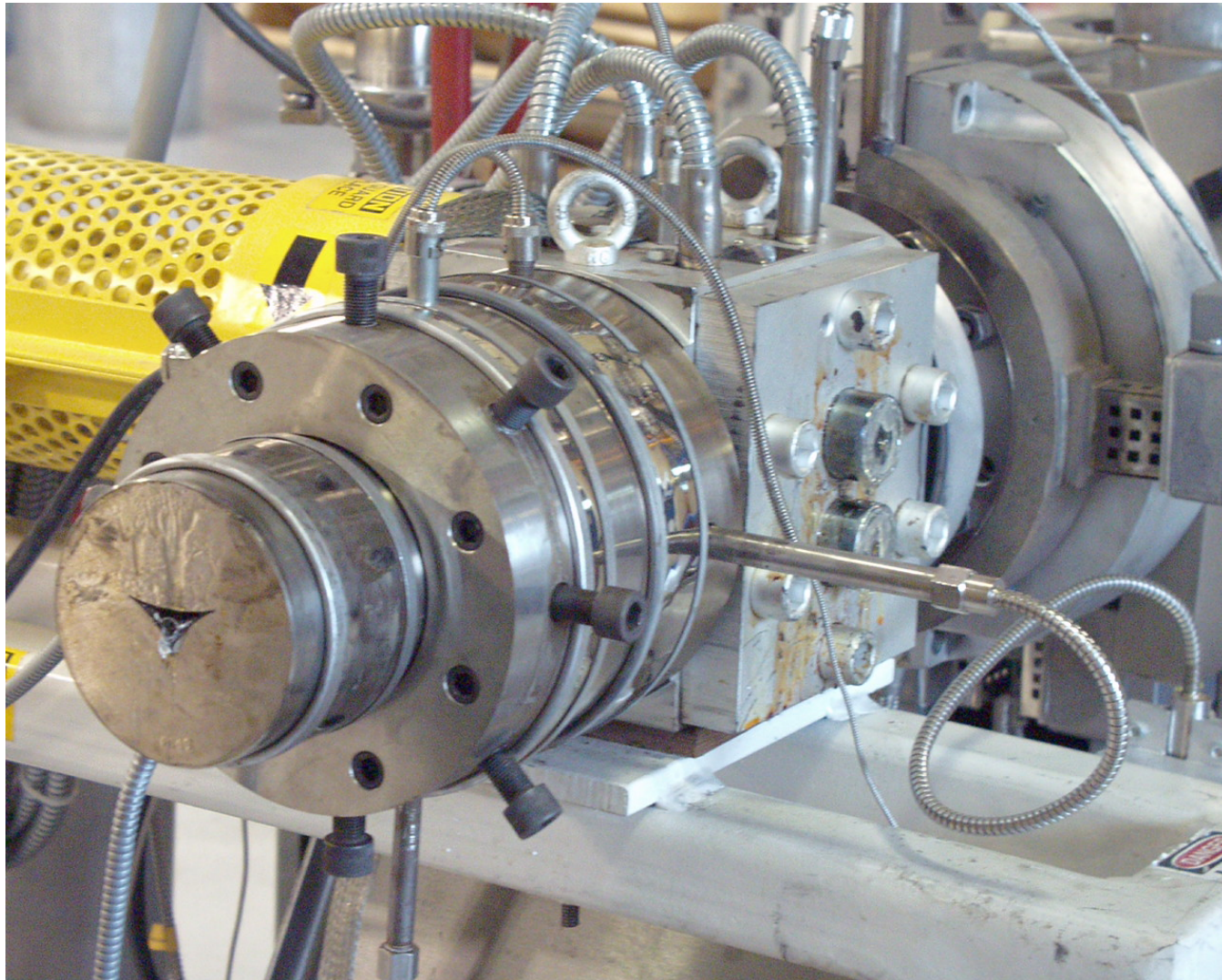
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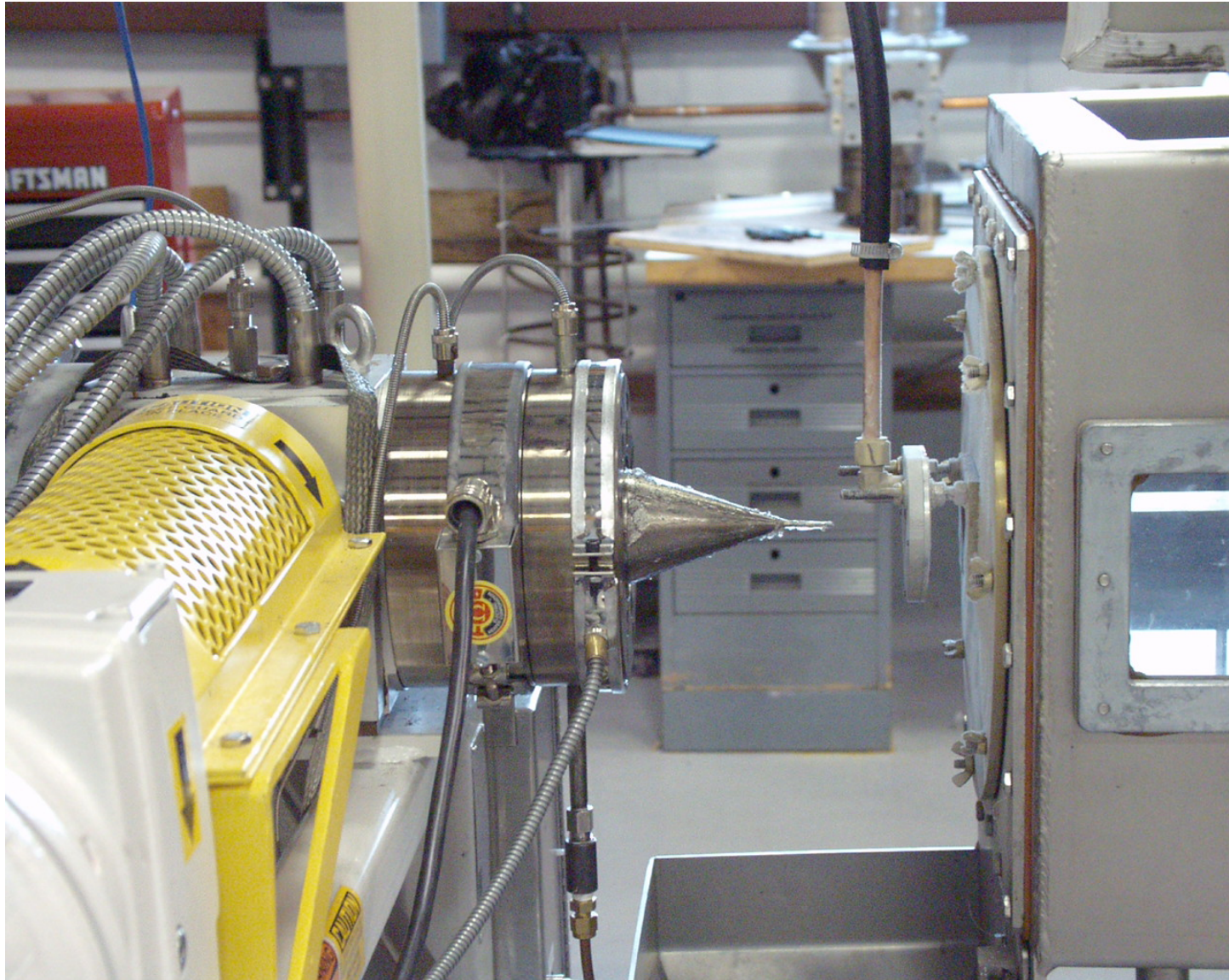


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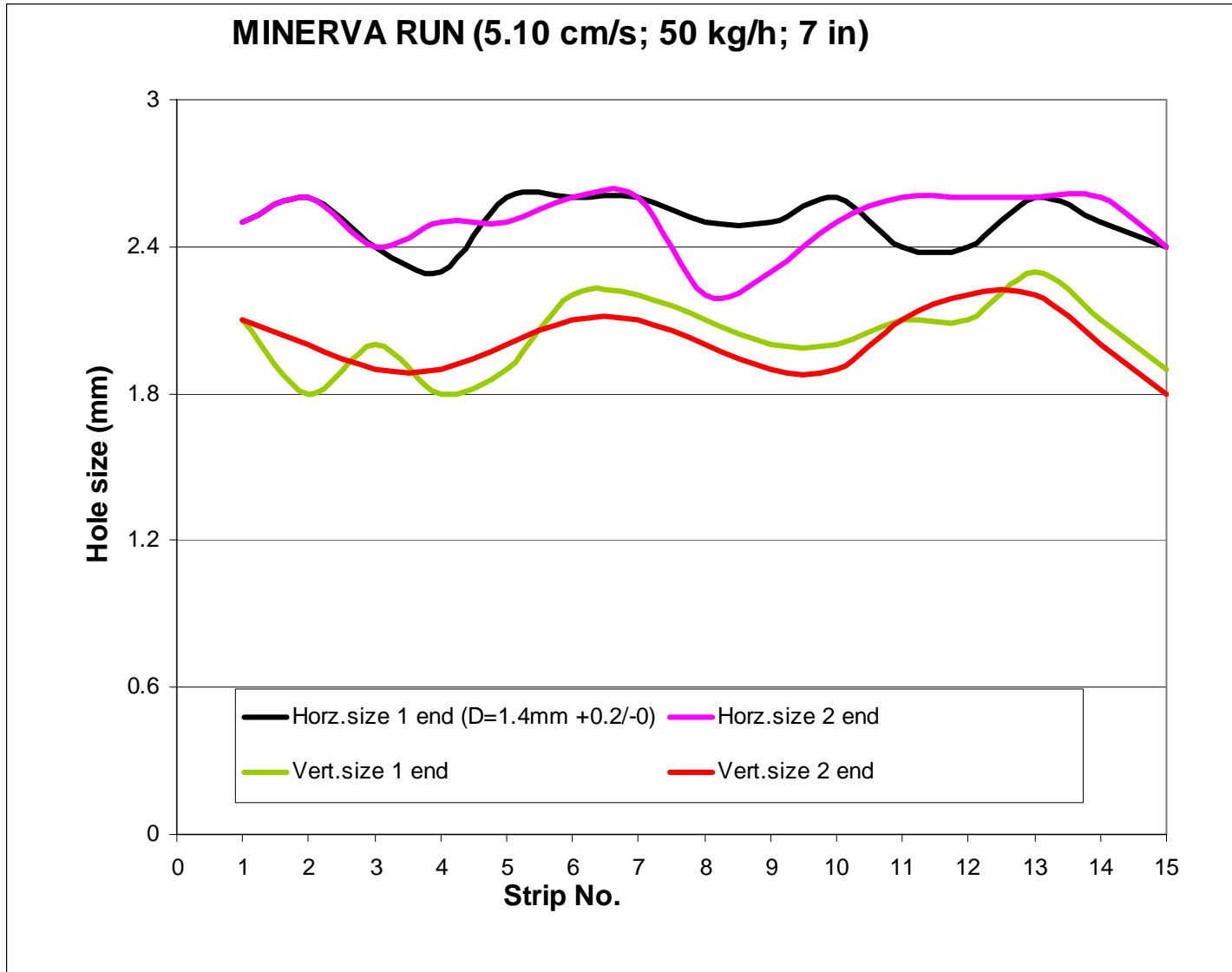


PROGRESS FROM OCTOBER MEETING

- Several R&D runs between December, January and February
 - GOAL: Minimize hole size and bowing
 - Good triangular shape
 - Base size is still slightly undersized
 - Little improvement in hole size
 - Small holes were achieved but for short periods of time
 - Tested extrusion rates of 50 kg/h and 75 kg/h
- Back to the die maker to address triangle size
 - To widen triangle base corners

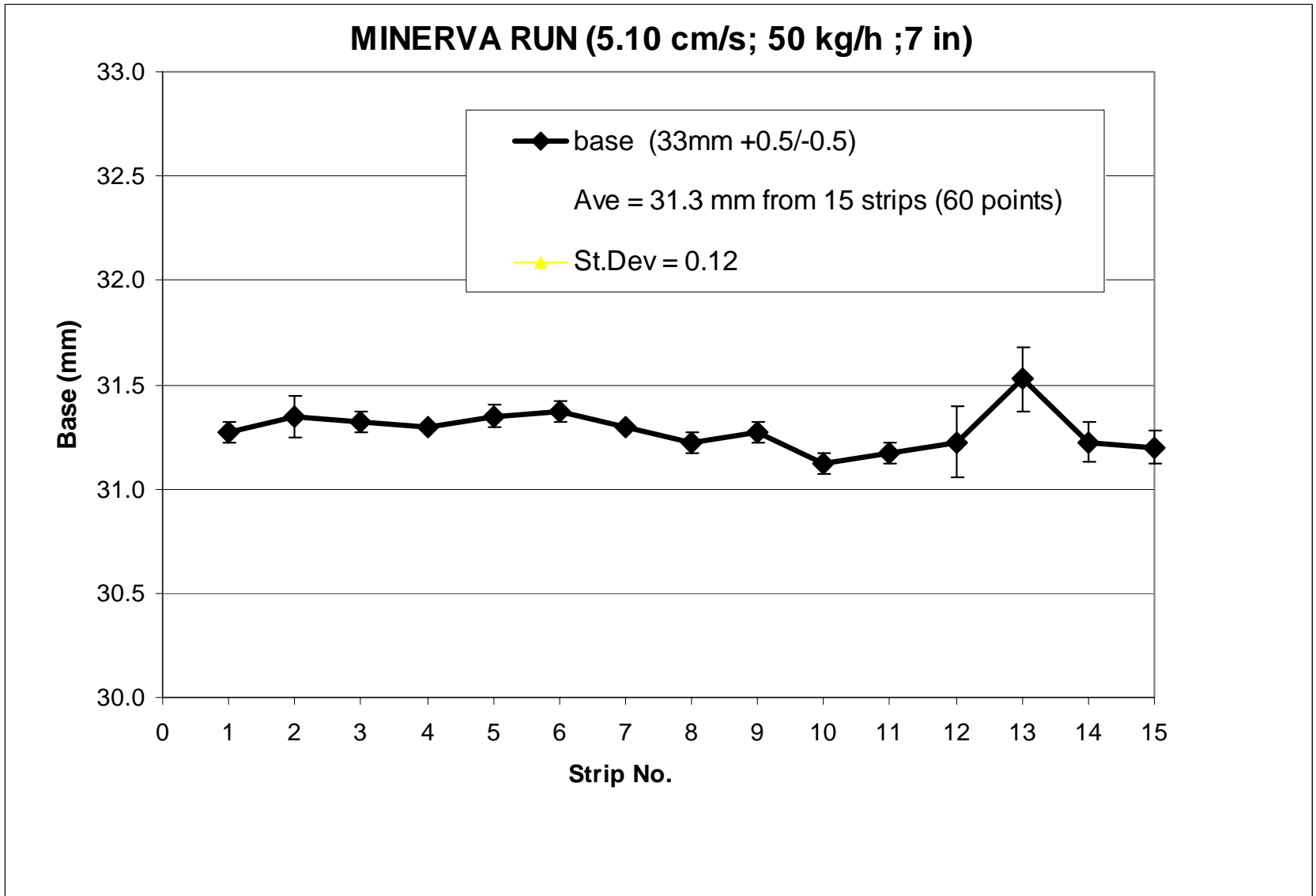


QC OF TRIANGULAR STRIPS: HOLE



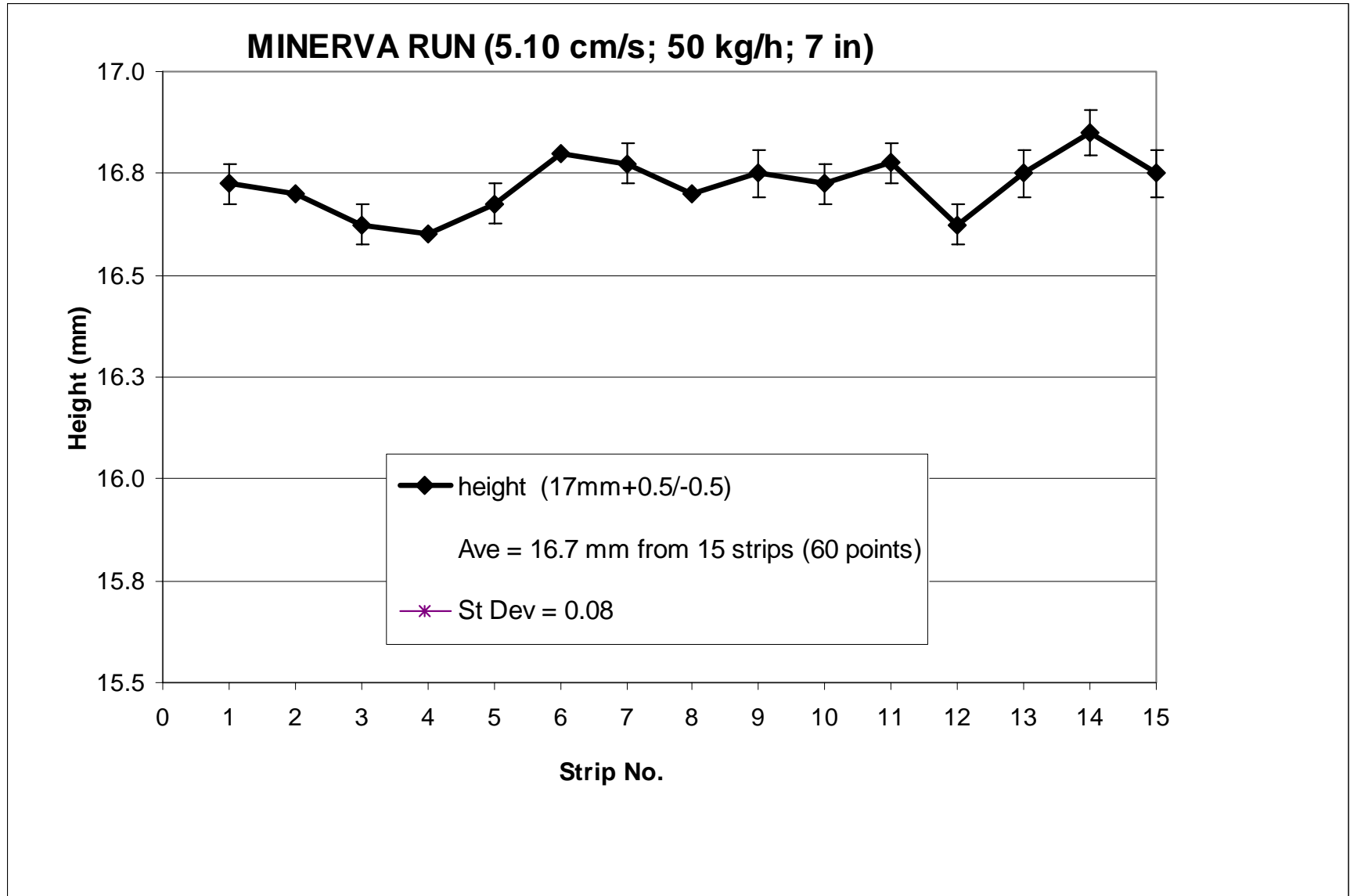


QC OF TRIANGULAR STRIPS: BASE





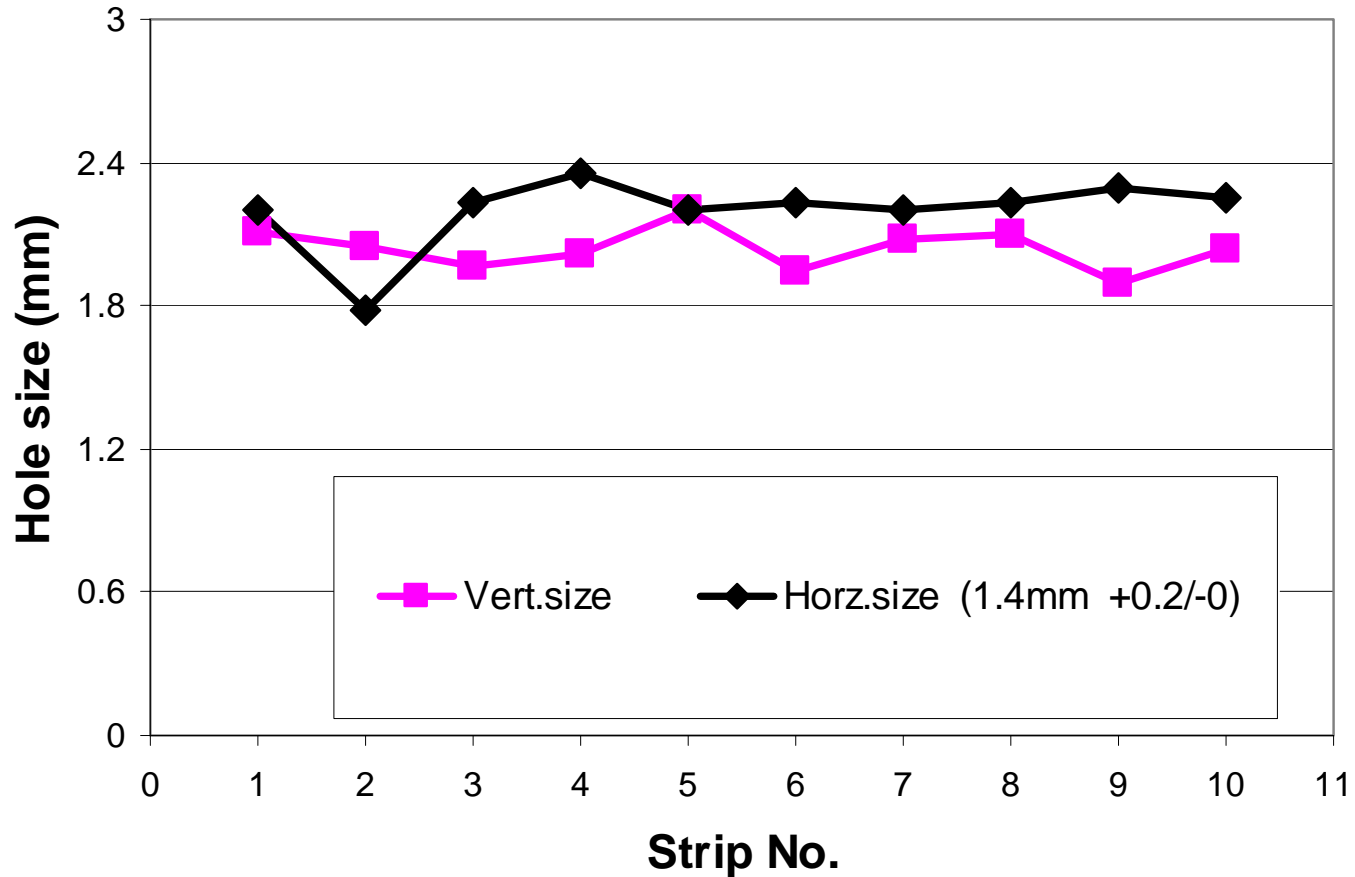
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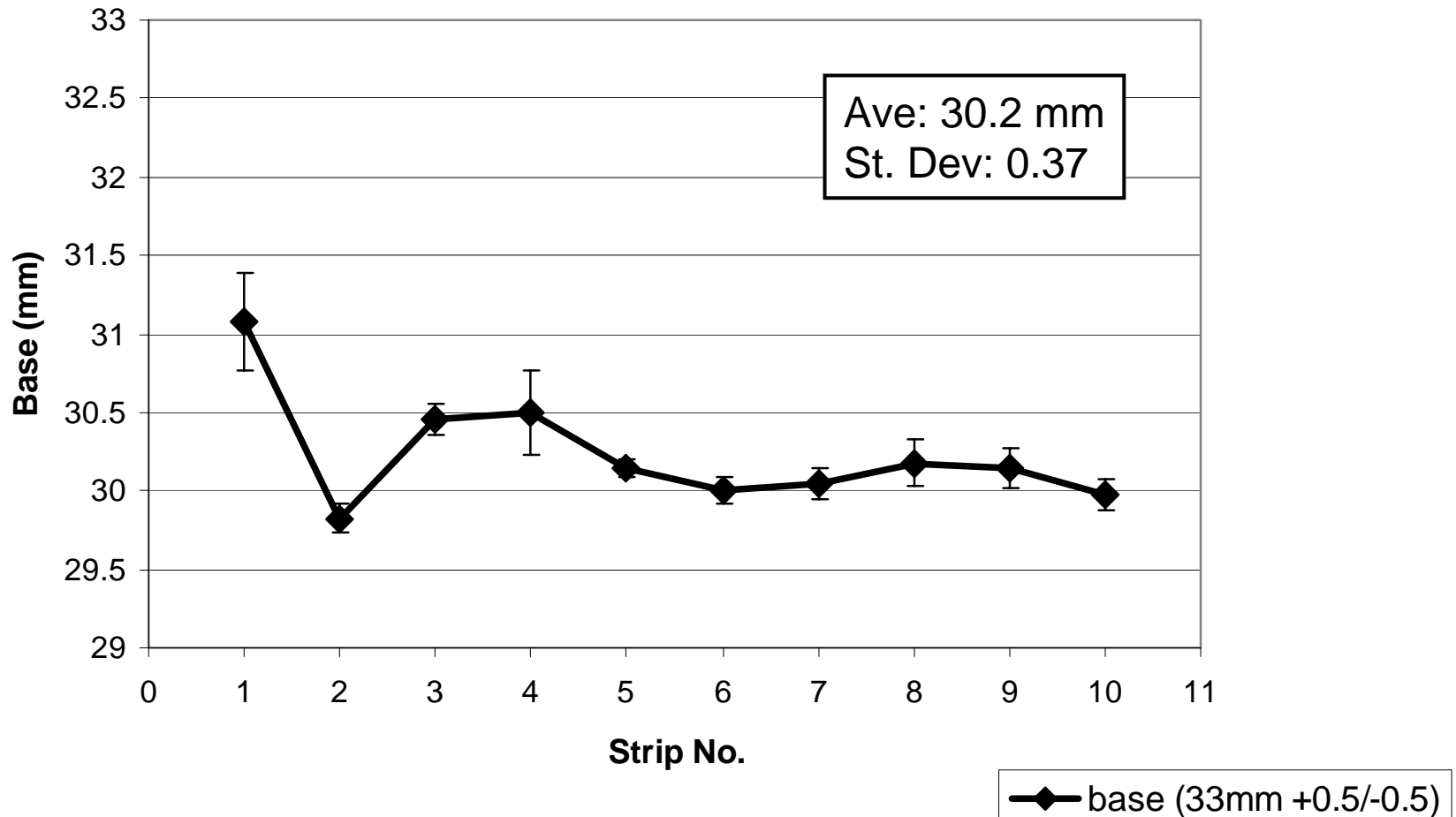
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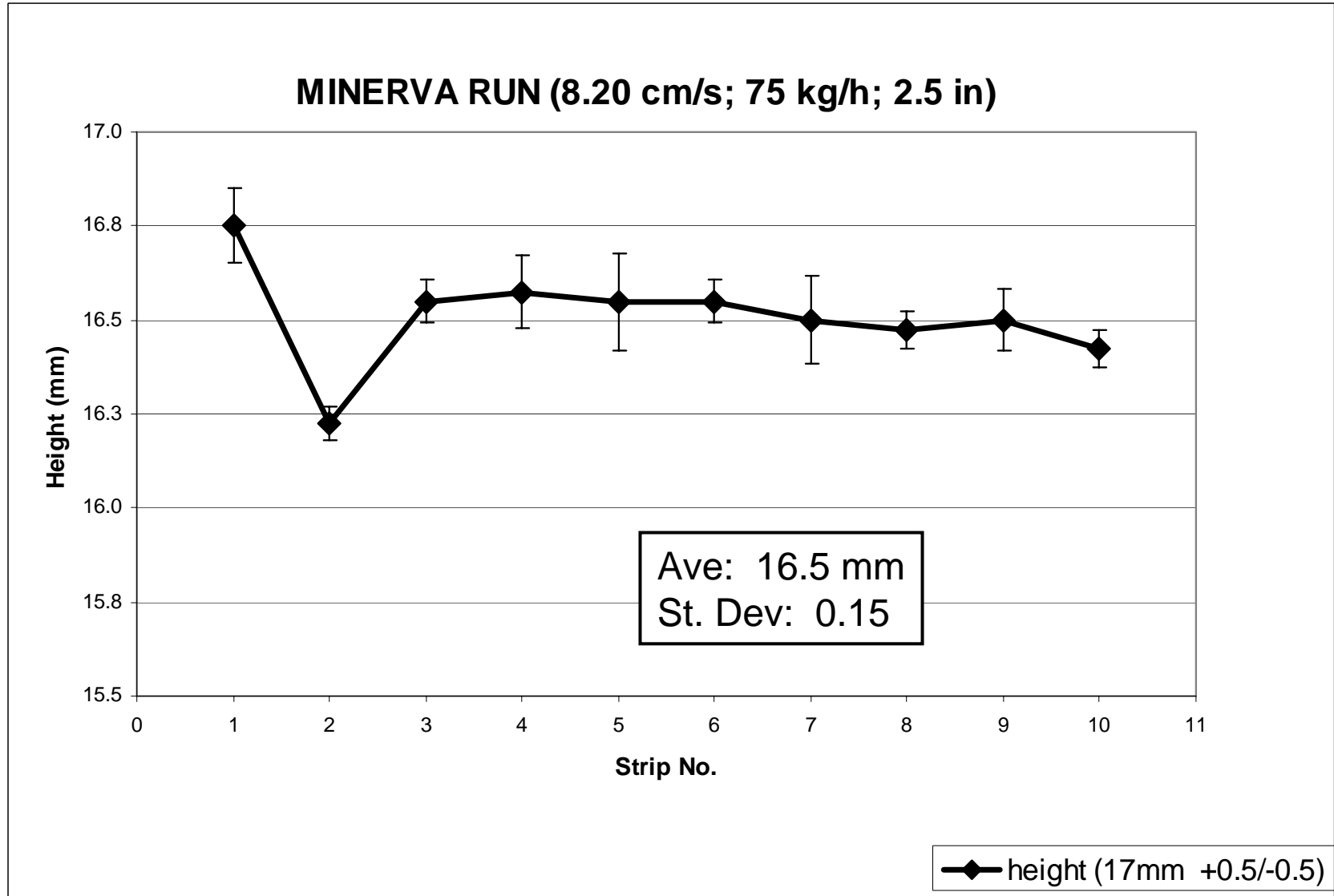
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NEAR FUTURE R&D

- Continue triangle extrusions at 75 kg/h
 - Improve overall size (hole + triangle)
- Pursue square extrusions
 - Polystyrene has been purchased
 - P.O. for dopants is almost ready
 - Help with drawing is needed
- Gather more information on co-extruder