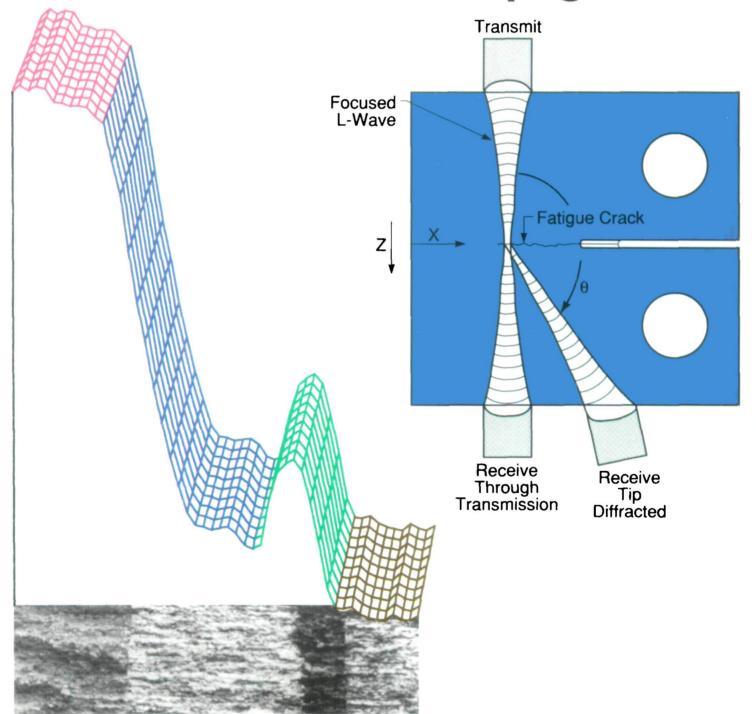
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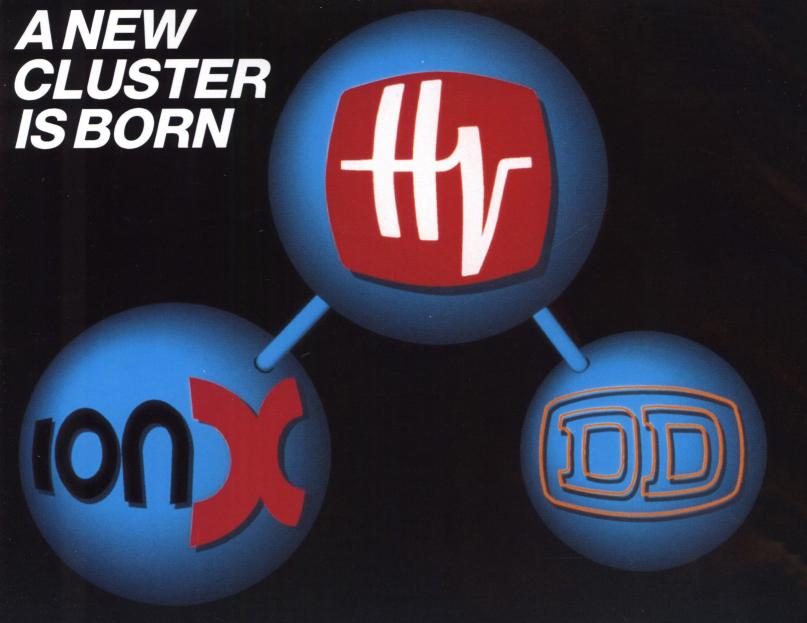
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On April 10, 1989, HVEE purchased the General Ionex Analytical Product Group from Genus Inc. based in the United States.

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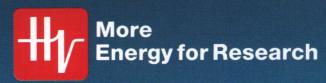
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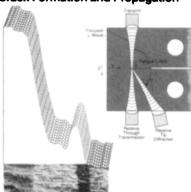
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ON THE COVER: Usually, details of fatigue crack propagation can be observed by optical or scanning electron microscopy after the structure, containing the crack, has failed. The composite figure shows such a "fractograph." The dark band indicates that the crack, propagating from right to left, was retarded for a long time, leading to black aluminum oxide, a wear product due to contact between the two fracture surfaces. The same band can also be seen by a peak in the acoustic transmission across the crack prior to failure. The upper right corner of the composite shows the experimental arrangmenet used to measure the acoustic transmission. Figure courtesy of D.K. Rehbein and H.H. Baker, Ames Laboratory.

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