

Advances in technologies for power exhaust solutions

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 - How to remove high heat fluxes in electrical industry?

Fusion applications

How to remove the heat flux in Tore Supra, W7-X and ITER

Ductilisation of tungsten (W)

- Alloying, composite material, UFG
- W-laminates made of W-foil (UFG)
- W-laminates for high heat flux applications

Summary of heat fluxes



Sun, beach



Rocket nozzle



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Solar tower



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What can we learn from electrical industry?



Request

- heat load: 0,5 50 MW/m²
- Max. temp.: 150°C

Solution

- MoCu materials
 - Cu: high thermal conductivity, k
 - Mo: low coefficient of therm. exp., α

Applications

- Radar applications
- High power LEDs









Heat load and fusion





Heat load and fusion



Tore Supra, tokamak, limiter



W7-X, stellerator, divertor







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Fabrication technology





Helium-cooled divertor and tungsten (W)



- Most of the He-cooled divertor concepts ask for tungsten as a structural material
- Requirement:
 - High fracture toughness, K_{IC} [MPa(m)^{1/2}]
 - Low brittle-to-ductile transition temperature (BDTT) measured by Charpy
 - Operation conditions: 100 bar, T = 600°C 800°C



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What is/are the controlling factor/s of the BDT?





disl. emission = disl. nucleation + disl. glide

T_{BDT} is strain rate dependent: △H_{BDT} = 1,05 ± 0,05 eV ~ △H_{kp} > △H_{edge}
→ BDT mobility controlled
pronounced influence of disl. sources on K
→ nucleation-controlled





What is/are the controlling factor/s of the BDT?



Distribution of dislocations ahead of crack tips in tungsten single crystal



polyc. W: grain boundary crack



S.M. Ohr (1980)

W foil: in-situ TEM tensile test



M. Klimenkov, U. Jäntsch, KIT (2013)

S.M. Ohr (1980)

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Ductilisation strategies





→ pure W is the best W (in terms of ductility measured by Charpy)

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Ductilisation strategies



Alloying (WRe) vs. UFG



Our idea: W-laminates made of W-foil (UFG)



Is it possible to expand the ductility and toughness of a W-foil (UFG) to the bulk?



What is special about UFG?



- Which is the mechanism of deformation / plasticity?
- According to M.A. Meyers (2006): three regimes



Mechanism of deformation of W-foil (UFG)?



- My personal assumptions: dislocation annihilation on the free surface
 - Slip direction: <111>
 - Slip plane: $\{110\}$, $\{112\}$, $\{123\} \rightarrow$ multiple cross slip



Mechanism of deformation of W-foil (UFG)?

- My personal assumptions
 - Dislocation annihilation
 - High amount of mobile edge dislocations
 - Multiple slip at the GB
 - Grain rotation / grain boundary sliding
 - **.**..



Y. Xi, Oxford (2012)



J. Koike (2004)



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Microstructure of W-foil, 100 μ m



- Grain size:
 - As-received: 0,5 x 3 x 15 μm³
 - 1 h / 2700°C: 100 x 100 x 100 μm³
- Texture: {100} <011> ; rotated cube
- Sub grains: nearly free from disl.
- Begin rxx: 1200°C

(pictures: J. Reiser, Y. Xiaoou, D.E.J. Armstrong)











Tensile tests on W at 600°C





Tensile tests on W at 600°C

-W 0.1 mm, 0°

-- W 0.1 mm. 45°

••• W 0.1 mm. 90°



W0.1, 1 h / 2000°C

20 MPa

Minhouse

300

200

100

0

stress (MPa)



40

Elongation (%)

60

80

20

0



Fig. 3

 $20 \text{ MPa} * 0.2 \text{ mm}^2 = 4 \text{ N}$ ٠

strain (%)

30

40

20

Serrated flow, strain ageing, discontinuous slip ٠ (Portevin-Le Chatelier-Effect PLC)

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W-laminate: microstructure



The mechanical properties of a W-laminate depend on

- the condition of the W-foil as well as
- the interface

after the joining process.



W-laminate: microstructure



- Condition of the W-foil:
 - As-received
 - Recrystallized
- Condition of the interface:
 - Wettability
 - Solid solution
 - Intermetalic compounds



W-laminates: Charpy impact tests



- Can the ductile properties of a W-foil be transferred to the bulk?
 - As-received: improvement of 300°C



W-laminates: Charpy impact tests



- Can the ductile properties of a W-foil be transferred to the bulk?
 - As-received: improvement of 300°C
 - Recrystallized: improvement of 500°C



W-laminates: energy dissipation



- How do laminates dissipate energy?
- 1) Pl. deformation of the W-foil
- 2) Pl. deformation of the interlayer
- 3) Creation of surface by crack deflection \rightarrow non-plastic energy dissipation





W-laminates: crack behavior



How does the crack path looks like?





W-laminate, WCu, L-S, RT

W-laminates: pipes



- Howo can a tungsten pipe be produced?
 - Extrusion \rightarrow very challenging
 - Drilling a hole in a rod
 - NEW: by rolling up a W-foil





W-laminates: pipes





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W-laminates for high heat flux applications

- Electrical industry fusion application → Mo/W-laminates
 - Cu: high thermal conductivity, k; Mo: low coefficient of thermal expansion, α
 - High toughness, K_Q, and ductility



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W-laminates for high heat flux applications



W-laminates for water- and helium-cooled divertors





W-laminate as interlayer

T. Huber, A. Zabernig PLANSEE, NDT by ultrasonic

H. Greuner, B. Boeswirth GLADIS, IPP, Garching

H. Greuner, B. Boeswirth Test: 100 Zyklen, 6 MW/m²

W-laminates for high heat flux applications



Solar tower



Burst test, RT, 1000 bar (in cooperation with PLANSEE SE, T. Huber, A. Zabernig)



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He-cooled divertor, pipe concept



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I will not spend 1 000 000 € for the one that...



- Inductive the controlling mechanism of the BDT.
 - ... explains the deformation mechanism of W UFG.

"The intermediate grain size regime (10 nm – 1 μ m) is less well understood."

M.A. Meyers (2006)

W single crystal:

"The understanding of slightly more complicated microstructures and particularly of pre-deformed single crystals and/or textured and possibly pre-deformed polycrystalline materials **is far less well understood**."

P. Gumbsch (2003)



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