



Post-Irradiation Examination of Proton-Irradiated Ti-base Alloys

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Ti-Base Alloy Capsules in the BLIP Experiment

- Capsule DS Ti-1 alloy grades
 - Grade 5 (Ti-6AI-4V)
 - Grade 23 (Ti-6AI-4V ELI)
 - Grade 23F (Ti-6AI-4V forged)
 - Grade 9 (Ti-3AI-2.5V)
- Capsule DS Ti-2 alloy grades
 - Ti-15V-3Cr-3Sn-3Al (β-Ti)
 - Grade 23
 - Grade 23 STA
 - Commercial Purity Ti
 - Grade 5 (Ultra-fine grain size)
 - Grade 6 (Ti-5AI-2.5Sn)









Capsule DS Ti-2 Opening











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Test Matrix and Current Status



| Alloy | EB | SD | AFM | | TE | ЕМ М | | Modulus | | Tensile | | |
|----------------|-------|------|---------|------|---------|------|----|---------|----|---------|----|-----|
| | U | I | U | I | U | I | U | I | ι | J | | |
| | | | | | | | RT | RT | RT | 200 | RT | 200 |
| DS Ti-1 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 5 | Re-do | Done | Re-do | Done | Done | Done | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Grade 23 | Re-do | Done | Re-do | Done | Done | Done | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Grade 23F | Re-do | Done | Re-do | Done | Done | Done | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Grade 9 | Re-do | Done | Re-do | Done | Done | Done | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| DS Ti-2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ti-15-3-3-3 | Done | | Started | | Started | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Grade 23 | Done | | Started | | Started | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Grade 23 (STA) | Done | | Started | | Started | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| CP Ti | Done | | Started | | Started | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Grade 5 (UFG) | Done | | Started | | Started | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Grade 6 | Done | | Started | | Started | | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |



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Microstructural Texture

- Large-area EBSD analysis provides overall assessment of texture using unirradiated samples
 - Two phase (α+β) microstructure with small β grains
 - EBSD does not index the β– phase well at this spatial resolution, although β-phase grains are evident in backscatter images
 - ✓ Similar difficulty indexing the Grade 5 ultrafine grain size material in DS Ti-2 capsule
 - Strong α texture in the plane of the sample





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Unirradiated Grade 5 (sample F01)



Correlated EBSD/AFM and Nanohardness



- Correlated EBSD and AFM measurements
 - Allows quantitative correlation of individual grain nanohardness to grain orientation
 - Differences in nanohardness or relationship to grain orientation between unirradiated and irradiated will supplement insight gained from microstructural studies
 - Based on AFM results, it appears not all of the β-Ti grains were resolved and indexed by EBSD
 - Good correlation between the indexed β-Ti phase regions and the AFM nanohardness results
 - Significant relative hardness contrast between α-Ti and β-Ti phases

Irradiated Grade 5 (sample F05) EBSD (top) and AFM (bottom)







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Transmission Electron Microscopy



- TEM studies focused on evaluating microstructural evolution with radiation damage
 - Minimal "classical" radiation damage microstructures evident in irradiated DS Ti-1 samples (~0.1 dpa)
 - There does seem to be some evidence of very fine-scale ω-phase precipitate growth within the β-phase grains with irradiation
 - DS Ti-2 (~1 dpa) and US Ti (~1.5 dpa) samples may display more obvious radiation damage features



Grade 5 Unirradiated (sample F01, left) and Irradiated (sample F05, right) TEM images

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D: DS Ti 1 Capsule Temperature 2 Type: Temperature Unit: *C F4 T4 F52 T5 T8 N5 Time: 1 9/27/2018 1:38 PM 128.56 Max 117.19 105.82 94.455 83.088 71.721 60.354 48,987 37.62 26.253 Mir





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- All four grades have lower unirradiated RT YS and UTS than ASTM Standard minimum values
- Ti-6AI-4V grades stronger than Ti-3AI-2.5V but less ductile
- Distinct radiation hardening observed for each of the four grades
- Ti-3AI-2.5V retains some uniform elongation after irradiation while Ti-6AI-4V grades have essentially none
- Grade 23F tensile data shows more scatter than other grades in unirradiated condition and also shows more scatter in modulus



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Pacific Ti-Base Alloy Tensile Testing Northwest and Microscopy

| | | | | ASTM B 265/338/348 Minimum Values | | | | | | | | |
|------------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|
| | Room Temperature | | | 200°C | | | | | Room Temperature | | ature | |
| | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | | YS | UTS | Total Elongation |
| | (MPa) | (MPa) | (%) | (%) | (MPa) | (MPa) | (%) | (%) | | (MPa) | (MPa) | (%) |
| Grade 5 | 763 | 803 | 6.26 | 15.0 | 545 | 625 | 7.78 | 18.1 | Grade 5 | 827 | 896 | 10 |
| Grade 23 | 740 | 801 | 8.41 | 12.9 | 575 | 654 | 5.89 | 10.4 | Grade 23 | 759 | 827 | 10 |
| Grade 23-F | 654 | 671 | 5.11 | 11.0 | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 9 | 448 | 535 | 10.5 | 24.7 | | | | | Grade 9 | 483 | 621 | 15 |

| | | Irradiated - DS Ti-1 | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | Room | Temperature | | 200°C | | | | | | | |
| | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | | | | |
| | (MPa) | (MPa) | (%) | (%) | (MPa) | (MPa) | (%) | (%) | | | | |
| Grade 5 | 875 | 884 | 0.717 | 8.48 | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 23 | 815 | 854 | 0.141 | 5.33 | 683 | 696 | 0.188 | 4.74 | | | | |
| Grade 23-F | 789 | 789 | 0.0452 | 5.85 | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 9 | 651 | 694 | 3.00 | 10.2 | | | | | | | | |

| | | Change Due to Irradiation | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-----|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------|-----|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | Room | Temperature | | 200°C | | | | | | | |
| | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | | | | |
| | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | (%) | | | | |
| Grade 5 | 15 | 10 | -89 | -44 | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 23 | 10 | 6.6 | -98 | -59 | 19 | 6.5 | -97 | -55 | | | | |
| Grade 23-F | 21 | 17 | -99 | -47 | | | | | | | | |
| Grade 9 | 45 | 30 | -72 | -59 | | | | | | | | |



Stainless Steel Reference Tensile Tests – 301SS



| | | 301SS 1/2-Hard | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | | | | | | |
| | (MPa) | (MPa) | (%) | (%) | | | | | | |
| With Inserts | 915 ± 27 | 1085 ± 19 | 33.7 ± 1.2 | 39.2 ± 2.1 | | | | | | |
| Without Inserts | 906 ± 4 | 1091 ± 9 | 33.6 ± 2.4 | 39.2 ± 2.1 | | | | | | |
| Vendor | 907 ± 5 | 1145 ± 49 | | 33.0 ± 4.2 | | | | | | |
| ASTM A666-10 | ≥758 | ≥1034 | | ≥18 | | | | | | |





Stainless Steel Reference Tensile Tests – 316SS

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| | 316SS - Annealed | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | YS | UTS | Uniform Elongation | Total Elongation | | | | |
| | (MPa) | (MPa) | (%) | (%) | | | | |
| With Inserts | 341 ± 9 | 611 | ~78 | ~86 | | | | |
| Without Inserts | 335 ± 5 | | | | | | | |
| ASTM A240-18 | ≥275 | ≥552 | | ≥60 | | | | |







DS Ti-1 Film Dosimetry

- Dosimetry film image reasonably well correlated to capsule orientation via PIE video
- No photos available of DS Ti-1 capsule in BLIP holder
 - Up-down orientation assumed based on Be capsule film dosimetry results
 - Reinforces the need for orientation marks on the capsule face in future BLIP experiments
- DS Ti-1 results suggest offset
 - ~1 mm upward
 - ~3 mm right
- Compare to Be capsule results
 - ~5 mm upward
 - ~1 mm right



Fatigue Sample Shipment to Fermilab

- The 10 cantilever beam fatigue samples from DS Ti-1 were packaged and shipped to Fermilab in June
- Sample dose rates ranged from 70 to 120 mrem/hr at contact
- Samples were wiped with DI water and alcohol until β - γ surface contamination was <MDA on each sample



Mesoscale Fatigue Foil Shipment to CCFE



- Mesoscale fatigue foil dose rate and activity measured and provided to CCFE
- CCFE transport container design reviewed and accepted by PNNL
- Ready to package and ship foils when container is received

| | DS Ti-1 | CP Ti Foil 1 | Ti-15-3-3-3 Foil 2 | Grade 23 Foil 4 | Grade 23 STA Foil 5 |
|--------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| β+γ | 800 | 7000 | 800 | 12,000 | 8000 |
| β only | 45 | 300 | 400 | 600 | 500 |

Measured Contact Dose Rates (mrem/hr)

Measured Activity (µCi)

| lsotope | DS Ti-1 | CP Ti Foil 1 | Ti-15-3-3-3 Foil 2 | Grade 23 Foil 4 | Grade 23 STA Foil 5 |
|---------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Na-22 | 1.99 x 10 ² ± 5% | 1.24 x 10 ⁰ ± 10% | 1.00 x 10 ² ± 5% | 2.64 x 10 ² ± 5% | 2.31 x 10 ² ± 5% |
| Sc-44 | 3.00 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | 2.25 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | 2.03 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | 3.09 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | 2.89 x 10 ² ± 5% |
| Ti-44 | 3.09 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | 2.69 x 10 ¹ ±5% | 2.37 x 10 ¹ ± 6% | 3.66 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | 3.25 x 10 ¹ ± 5% |
| Sc-46 | 6.11 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | 4.93 x 10 ² ± 5% | 4.86 x 10 ² ± 5% | 7.27 x 10 ² ± 5% | 6.52 x 10 ² ± 5% |
| Mn-54 | 6.55 x 10 ⁰ ± 8% | <3.0 x 10 ⁰ MDA | 1.59 x 10 ¹ ± 9% | 1.58 x 10 ¹ ± 12% | 1.44 x 10 ¹ ± 12% |
| Co-57 | <6.0 x 10 ⁻¹ MDA | 1.48 x 10 ⁰ ± 25% | 1.30 x 10 ⁰ ± 15% | 3.75 x 10 ⁰ ±12% | 2.20 x 10 ⁰ ± 12% |
| Sn-113 | <1.0 x 10 ⁰ MDA | <3.0 x 10 ⁰ MDA | 4.20 x 10 ¹ ± 5% | <4.0 x 10 ⁰ MDA | <3.0 x 10 ⁰ MDA |

Pacific Upcoming Ti-base Alloy PIE Northwest Activities at PNNL



- Perform DS Ti-2 (unirradiated and irradiated) and US Ti tensile testing
 - Possibly to include ultrasonic measurement of elastic modulus
 - Six surviving US Ti tensile samples (2-Grade 5, 1-Grade 9, 3-Grade 23), all to be tested at RT
- Complete analysis of film dosimetry on DS Ti-2 to characterize position of proton beam and compare to DS Ti-2 and Be capsules
- Complete microscopy of DS Ti-2 and US Ti samples
 - SEM/EBSD, TEM, AFM (nanohardness)
 - Four surviving US Ti microscopy samples (2-Grade 5, 1-Grade 9, 1-Grade23)
- Ship Ti foils from DS Ti-1 and DS Ti-2 to CCFE
- PIE on Ti-base alloy samples from BeGrid2/HRMT43 experiment







Do Not Try This at Home!







Correlating DS Ti-1 Upstream





Be Capsule Film Dosimetry



- GafChromic MD-V3
- Sensitivity 1-100 Gy
- Upstream face of the Be capsule
- 30 hr exposure

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- Orientation preserved
 - Direction of bend bar marks on inside of capsule face
 - Registration
 marks on film
 - Clipped corner
 of film
- Center of high dose region appears to be offset
 - ~5 mm upward
 - ~1 mm right

