

Effects of sintering atmosphere and seed crystals on the grain growth of uranium dioxide

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150

IDR-, AUC-UO₂

가, O/U

4가

, 1700°C

O/U 가

, 1100°C

AUC UO₂

O/U

Abstract

Grain growth behaviors have been investigated in the UO₂ pellets which comprise IDR- and AUC-derived uranium dioxide powders and various seed crystals. Four different seed crystals were made depending on the starting powders and the sintering conditions and then embedded in IDR- and AUC-derived uranium dioxide compacts. Compacts were sintered at 1700°C in H₂ atmosphere or at 1100°C in CO₂ atmosphere for 4 h. Almost all samples showed normal grain growth behaviors. However, the abnormal grain growth was observed when AUC UO₂ compact containing H₂-sintered seed was sintered in CO₂ atmosphere. This result may be attributed to the powder characteristics of the matrix and the O/U ratio gradient in the interface region between the matrix and seed crystal.

1.

가

2

가

가

가

, 가

[1,2]

가 UO₂

1700°C, 4

8 μm

가

1100-1300°C

, AUC

UO₂

가

[3,4], UO₂

가

UO₂

가, O/U

가

μm

O/U

2.0

2.15

O/U 가

2.

2-1.

UO_2 1 ton/cm² , IDR-, AUC UO_2
 CIP(Cold Isotatic Press) 3 ton/cm²
 1900 , 1500
 4 , AUC , IDR , 4 가
 가
 1mm 2mm

2-2.

12.02φ 1 ton/cm²
 CIP(Cold Isotatic Press) 3 ton/cm²
 1100 , 4 , 가
 1050
 1700 ,
 4

3.

1
 . IDR, AUC UO_2
 가 , 1900°C, , 1500°C,
 4 가 20 μm
 가
 1700°C, , 1100°C,
 2 1700°C,
 1100°C, IDR, AUC UO_2
 8 μm
 가 4 μm 가 가
 가 AUC UO_2

가 AUC UO₂

2가

O/U 가

O/U
O/U

3
1700°C 4

2-3

4
, 1100°C 4

가

Srolovitz [5]

가
monte carlo

가

BNFL [6] UO₂

3

5 6

O/U 가

, 5

, 1700°C 4

3, 4

6
, 1100°C 4

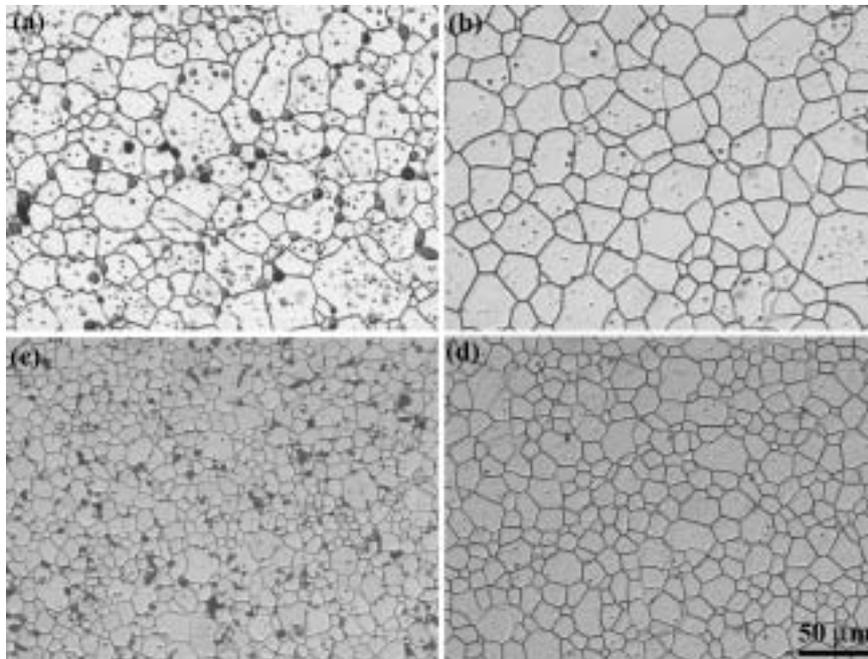
IDR UO₂

, AUC UO₂

μm 2 AUC UO_2 1100°C
 , O/U UO_2 가
 7 $\text{CO}_2\text{-}0.28\%\text{CO}$, 1200°C O/U
 TGA O/U 25
 6 O/U O/U 6
 5 O/U
 가
 가,
 O/U 가
 AUC UO_2 O/U
 O/U 가 AUC UO_2
 Song [4] 가
 Song [4] AUC UO_2 800°C 가
 AUC UO_2
 가 O/U
 O/U
4.
 UO_2 가, O/U
 가
 O/U 가
 O/U 가
 AUC UO_2

O/U

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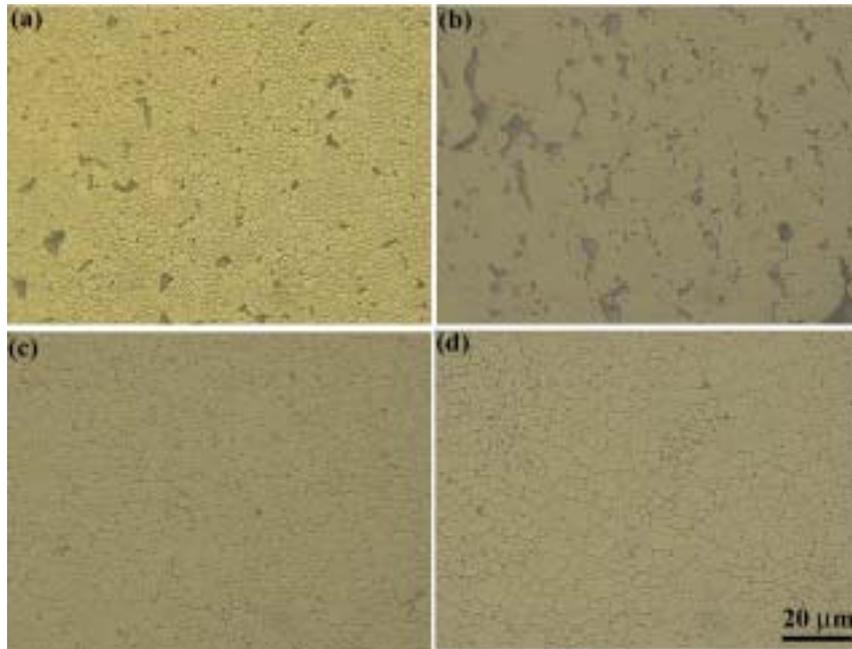


a) AUC sintered 1500 °C, CO₂

b) IDR sintered 1500 °C, CO₂

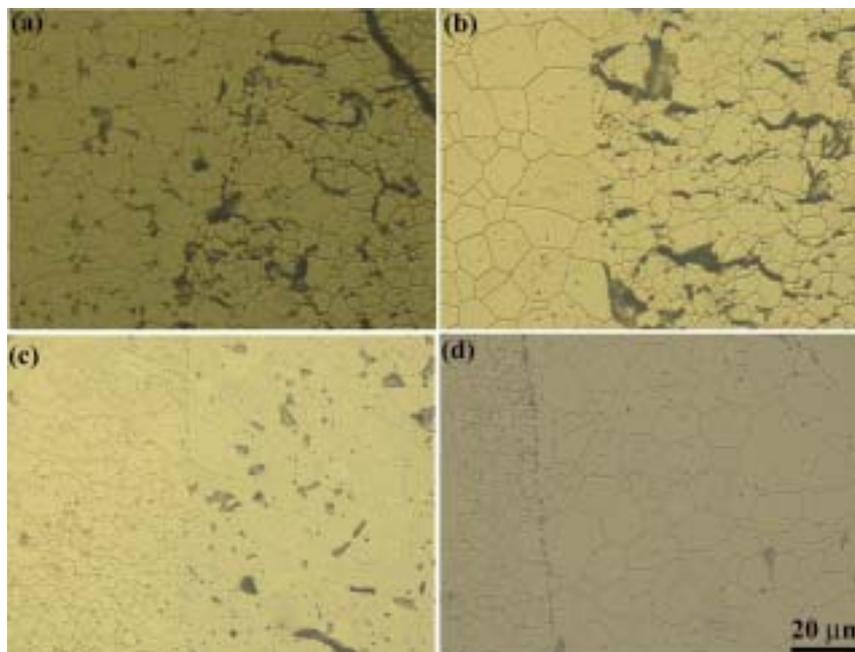
c) AUC sintered 1900 °C, H₂

d) IDR sintered 1900 °C, H₂



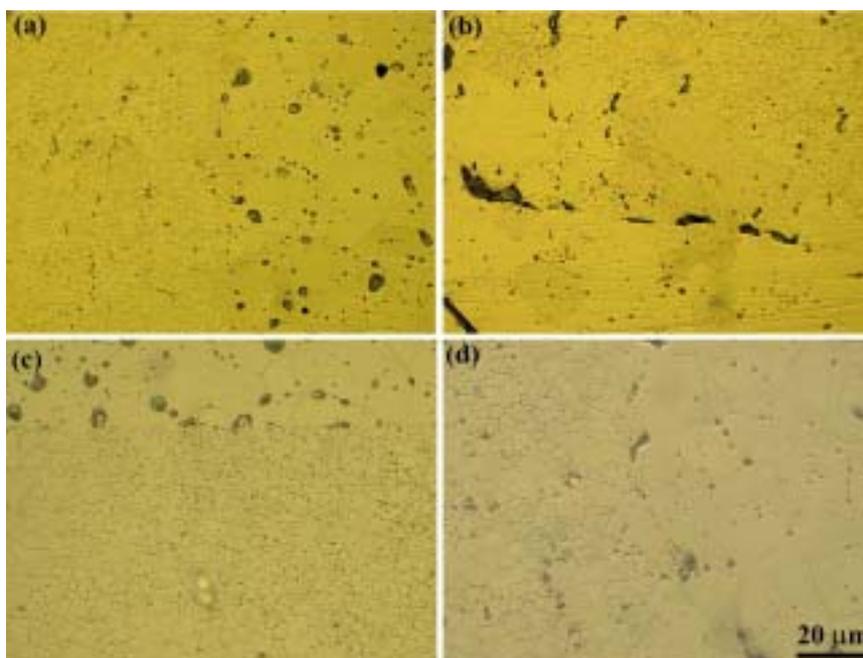
a) AUC sintered (1100 °C, CO₂, 4h) **b)** IDR sintered (1100 °C, CO₂, 4hr)
c) AUC sintered(1700 °C, H₂, 4h) **d)** IDR sintered (1700 °C, H₂, 4hr)

2.



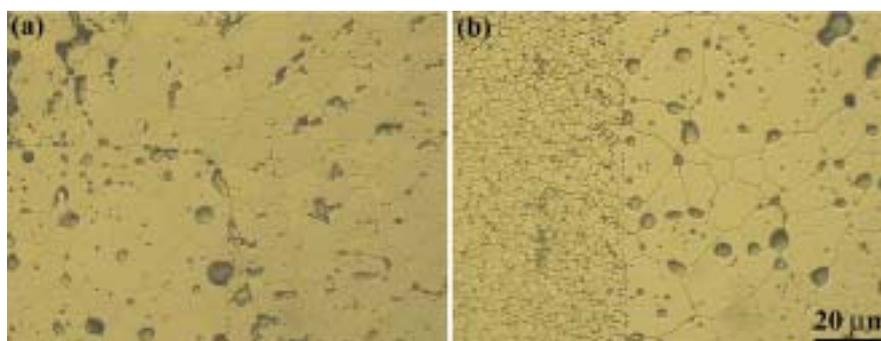
a) AUC matrix AUC(H₂, 1900 °C) seed sintered 1700 °C **b)** AUC matrix IDR(H₂, 1900 °C) seed sintered 1700 °C
c) IDR matrix AUC(H₂, 1900 °C) seed sintered 1700 °C **d)** IDR matrix IDR(H₂, 1900 °C) seed sintered 1700 °C

3. H₂ /H₂



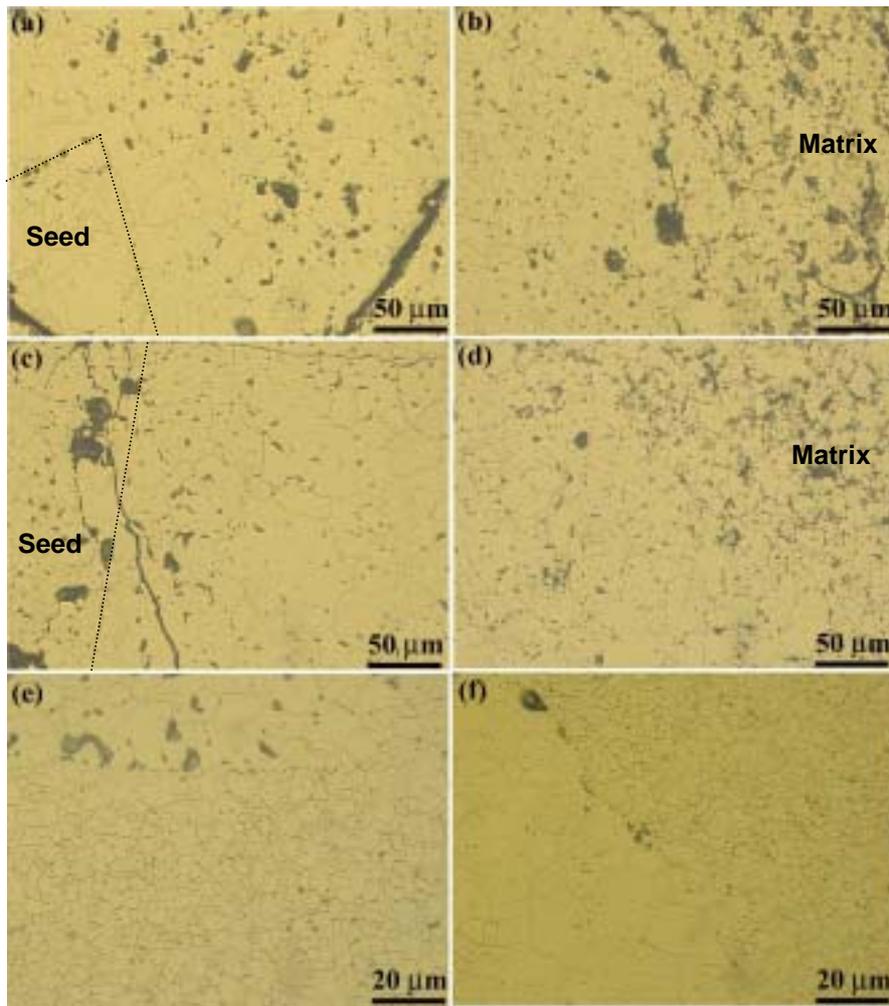
a) AUC matrix AUC(CO₂, 1500) seed sintered 1100 **b)** AUC matrix IDR(CO₂, 1500) seed sintered 1100
c) IDR matrix AUC(CO₂, 1500) seed sintered 1100 **d)** IDR matrix IDR(CO₂, 1500) seed sintered 1100

4. CO₂ /CO₂



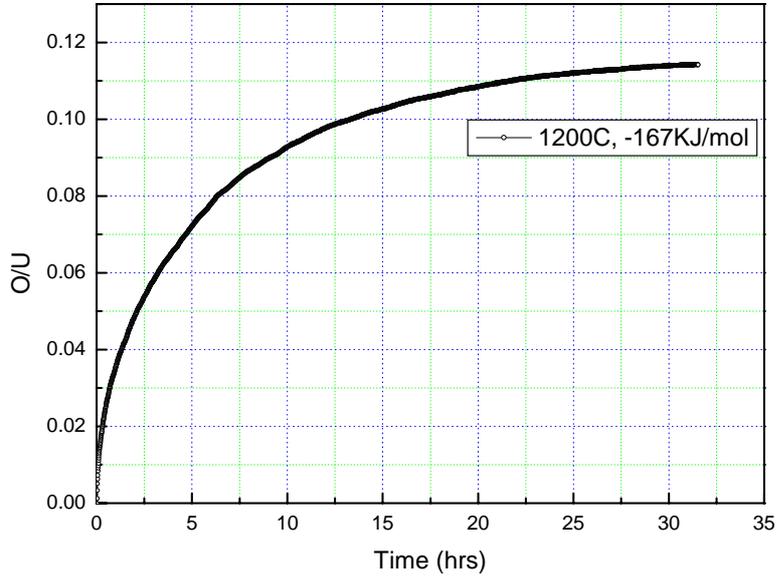
a) AUC matrix AUC(CO₂, 1500) seed sintered 1700
b) AUC matrix IDR(CO₂, 1500) seed sintered 1700

5. H₂ /CO₂



a,b) AUC matrix AUC(H₂, 1900) seed sintered 1100 **c,d)** AUC matrix IDR(H₂, 1900) seed sintered 1100
e) IDR matrix AUC(H₂, 1900) seed sintered 1100 **f)** IDR matrix IDR(H₂, 1900) seed sintered 1100

6. CO₂ /H₂



7. O/U

TGA