U₃O₈ 가 UO₂

Grain Growth in U₃O₈-seeded UO₂

, , , , , , , ,

150

가 UO_2 U_3O_8 5 wt% . UO_2 가 5 wt% U₃O₈ 1300 °C 1700 °C 가 0 4 1300 °C 가 가 가 가 가 가 가 1700 °C 가 , 1600 °C 1700 °C 가 UO_2 2

Abstract

Densification and grain growth have been investigated in 5 wt% U_3O_8 seeded UO_2 and compared with those of the common UO_2 pellet. UO_2 compacts and 5 wt% U_3O_8 seeded UO_2 compacts were sintered at 1300-1700 °C for 0h to 4 h. Density and grain size of the sintered pellets were measured by the water immersion method and the image analyzer. The seeded pellet has a slightly lower density during the intermediate stage. However, the differences between two pellets decrease up to less than 0.5 %TD with increasing the sintering temperature. The grain sizes of two kinds of pellets are similar until 1600 °C but that of the seeded pellet rapidly increases with increasing the sintering temperature.

1.

PCI (Pellet Clad 가 UO_2 Interaction) 가 가 가 .[1] 가 가 가 Turnbull [2] 가 , 20 µm 1700 °C 40 .[3] Cr₂O₃, Nb₂O₅, TiO₂, SiO₂, Al₂O₃ 가 가 .[4-10] U_3O_8 UO_2 가 가 .[11] 가 가 가 가 가 가 UO_2 UO_2 U_3O_8 U_3O_8 가 U_3O_8 가 UO_2 가 U_3O_8 2. ADU-UO₂ UO_2 400 °C 4 U_3O_8 1300 °C . U_3O_8 4 1.5 가 . U_3O_8 ton/cm² 5 wt%가 $ADU-UO_2$. ADU–UO₂ 5 wt% 가 3 ton/cm² UO_2 1300 °C 1700 °C 1700 °C , 1700 °C 1

2 Image 300 analyzer **3.** Fig. 1(a) UO₂ 400 °C U_3O_8 SEM U_3O_8 . Fig. 1(b) 1.5 ton/cm^2 1300 °C 가 U_3O_8 6.3 μm . 가 가 chip UO_2 가 Fig. 2 가 1300 °C 가 67 %TD 가 UO_2 5 %TD 가 1400 °C 1700 °C, 4 0.5 %TD 98 %TD Fig. 3 UO_2 1600 °C 가 1700 °C가 sub-micron 가 1.5 μm 4 . U_3O_8 가 7 μm , Fig. 4 1600 °C 가 sub-micron

1 μm-alumina

80HNO₃-20H₂O₂

30

 U_3O_8

14 μm

1600 °C Fig. 5 UO_2 가 가 가 sub-micron 가 10 , Fig. 3 가 4 . , 1600 °C 가 1700 °C가 1700 °C, 0 UO_2

가

stacking fault

가 4.6 µm

가

1700 °C가

가

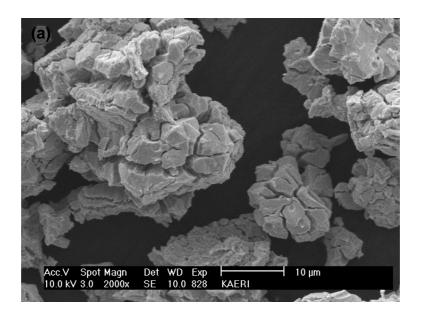
twin

4

1.6 μm 7 UO₂ 4.5 μm

```
1700 °C, 4
                                                               가
                  UO_2
                                                               가
            14 μm
                                            UO_2
  7 μm
     가 가
             가
                            UO_2
                                             가
                    가
                                       가
                                                              U_3O_8
      가
                , 가 U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>
  가
                  UO_2
                 가
UO
                   U_3O_8
                             가
                          가
                                    가
가
          가
        Fig. 6
                   가
                          1650 °C, 0
가
                                                        . 1700 °C가
                                                           가
                    가
                       가
        가
                                                . Twin
                                           가
                        가 UO<sub>2</sub>
         [12] U_3O_8
                                         가
  4.
                                  U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> 5 wt% 가
                        UO_2
                                   5 wt% U_3O_8
                        . UO_2
                                                    가
                                     가 0 4
          1300 °C 1700 °C
                                                              1300
                                     가
°C
           가
                                               가 가
                                                              가
          가
                    가 1700 °C
                                               가
                                                       . U_3O_8
                                                              5
    가
                    1600 °C
wt%
                       가
        1700 °C
                                               UO_2
                                                              2
                          2
```

- 1. A. H. Booth, AECL 496 (1957).
- 2. J. A. Turnbull, J. Nucl. Mater., 50 (1974) 62-68.
- 3. K.W. Song et al, J. Kor. Nucl. Soc. 26 (1994) 484.
- 4. I. Amato, R. L. Colombo, A. P. Balzari, J. Nucl. Mater., 18 (1966) 252.
- 5. J. B. Ainscough, F. Rigby, S. C. Osborn, J. Nucl. Mater. 52 (1974) 191.
- 6. Hj. Matzke, J. Nucl. Mater. 30 (1969) 26.
- 7. H. Assmann, W. Dorr. G. Gradel, G. Maier, M. Peehs, J. Nucl. Mater. 98 (1981) 216.
- 8. J.B. Ainscough, L.F.A. Raven, P.T. Sawbridge, "Fission Gas Retentive UO2 Fuels," in Fabrication of Water Reactor Fuel Elements, P.53, IAEA-SM-233/16 (1979).
- 9. K.C. Radford, J.M. Pope, J. Nucl. Mater., 116 (1983) 305.
- 10. K. W. Lay, J. Am. Ceram. Soc., 51[7], (1968) 373-376.
- 11. K.W. Song et al, J. Nucl. Sci. & Tech., Supplement 3 (2002) 838-841.
- 12. Y.S. Yoo et al., J. Eur. Ceram. Soc., 17 (1997) 805-811.



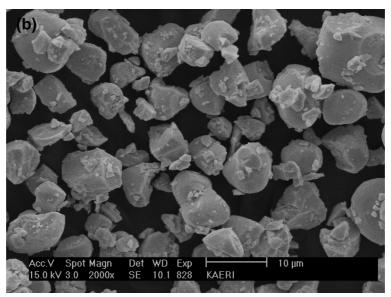


Fig. 1. SEM images of (a) raw U_3O_8 powder and (b) U_3O_8 seed.

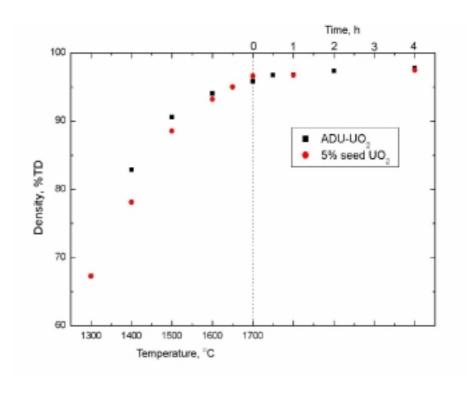


Fig. 2. Variations in relative density for ADU-UO $_2$ and 5 wt% seeded UO $_2$.

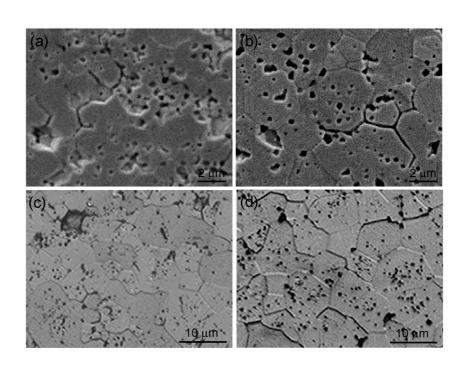


Fig. 3. Microstructures of ADU-UO $_2$ samples sintered at (a) 1600 °C for 0 h, (b) 1700 °C for 0 h, (c) 1700 °C for 1 h and (d) 1700 °C for 4 h.

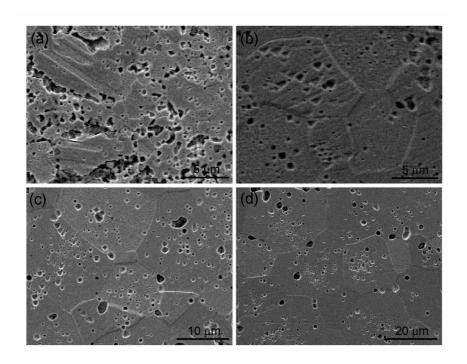


Fig. 4. Microstructures of 5 wt% seeded UO_2 samples sintered at (a) 1600 °C for 0 h, (b) 1700 °C for 0 h, (c) 1700 °C for 1 h and (d) 1700 °C for 4 h.

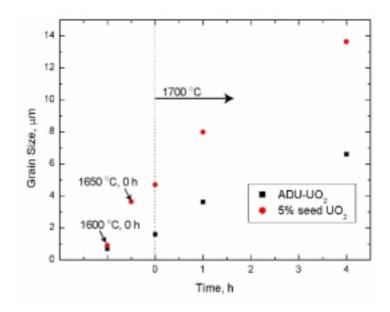


Fig. 5. Variations in average grain size for ADU-UO₂ and 5 wt% seeded UO₂.

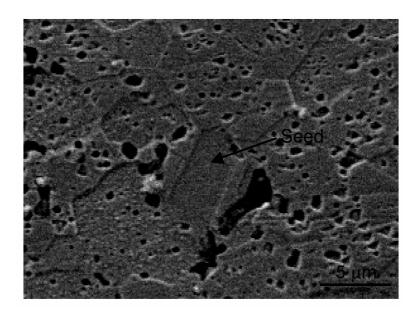


Fig. 6. Microstructures of 5 wt% seeded UO $_{\!2}$ sintered at 1650 $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ for 0 h.