

ex-DC  $UO_2$

Characteristic Analysis of Oxidized ex-DC  $UO_2$  powder according to Oxidation Temperature

150

Ex-DC  $UO_2$  150°C 500°C 4 가  
 가 가 X- 150°C  
 $U_4O_9$   $UO_{2+x}$ 가 250°C  $U_3O_8$   $U_3O_7$   
 . 350°C  $U_3O_8$  .

Abstract

$UO_2$  powders produced by DC process(ex-DC  $UO_2$  powders) were oxidized in the temperature range of 150°C to 500°C for 4hr and their characteristics have been investigated. Particle sizes were diminished with increasing the oxidizing temperature while specific surface area increased. It was confirmed from the X-ray diffraction test that the oxidized powder produced at 150°C has  $U_4O_9$  phase including  $UO_{2+x}$  and  $U_3O_8$  phase and  $U_3O_7$  phase were found in the oxidized powder produced at 250°C. The powders oxidized at over 350°C have all single phase of  $U_3O_8$ .

1.

$UO_2$   $UO_2$   $U_3O_8$ , ,  
 가 , .  $U_3O_8$   $UO_2$   
 .  
 $U_3O_8$  가  $UO_2$   
 가 가 가 .

1998 DC ( ) UO<sub>2</sub>

U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> 가

U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>

UO<sub>2</sub>

(pellet scrap) bulk

400°C

U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>

UO<sub>2</sub>

Uranium Oxide

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가 가

UO<sub>2</sub> UO<sub>2+x</sub>, U<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>, U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>

U<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>

UO<sub>2</sub>

cubic

U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub> tetragonal

, U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> orthorhombic

, UO<sub>2</sub>

Uranium Oxide

2.

1)

$UO_2$   $UO_2$  ex-DC  
 $UO_2$  Table 1 200g  
 $UO_2$  box 4  
 150°C, 250°C, 350°C, 400°C,  
 450°C 500°C  
 450°C 4

2)

Cu target X- 20~90° 4°  
 XRD O/U XRD

3.

가 가 가 Fig. 1  
 $UO_2$  가 4.75  $\mu m$  150°C 4.59  
 $\mu m$  350°C 3  $\mu m$   
 가 가  
 가 flake

scrap  $U_3O_8$  8.2  $\mu m$

scrap bulk 가  
 가  $U_3O_8$  가  $UO_2$

. Fig 2

가 Flake

가

crack

가

Fig. 1

가 가

Fig. 3

O/U

150°C

O/U 가 2.23

$U_4O_9(O/U \ 2.25)$

250°C

2.62 O/U 가  $U_3O_7(2.33)$

$U_3O_8(2.67)$

$U_3O_8$

$U_3O_7$

350°C

O/U 가 2.67

$U_3O_8$

$UO_2$

X-

. Fig. 4

350°C

X-

150°C

$UO_2$

peak

peak

peak

peak

$UO_{2+x}$

$U_4O_9$  peak

. O/U

150°C

$U_4O_9$

2.23

O/U 가

80°

peak

split

peak

$UO_2$  peak

5.4507Å

$UO_2$

가

. 250°C

$U_3O_7$

$U_3O_8$

350°C

$U_3O_8$  peak

Fig. 5 350°C

X- peak

peaks

$U_3O_8$

가

. Peak

intensity가 가

Table 2 350°C

가

a, b, c

450°C

가 500°C

4.

Ex-DC  $\text{UO}_2$

가

1)

가

ex-DC  $\text{UO}_2$

가

2)

가

flake

가

3) O/U

X-

350°C

$\text{U}_3\text{O}_8$

가

, 150°C

$\text{UO}_{2+x}$

$\text{U}_4\text{O}_9$

250°C

$\text{U}_3\text{O}_7$

$\text{U}_3\text{O}_8$

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Table 1. Characteristics of ex -DC UO<sub>2</sub> powders

Characteristics	Value
Mean powder size( $\mu\text{m}$ )	4.75
Specific surface area( $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$ )	2.25
O/U ratio	2.007
Bulk density( $\text{g}/\text{cm}^3$ )	1.7

Table 2. Lattice parameter changes of the oxidized powders

	a	b	c
UO <sub>2</sub>	5.4670	5.4670	5.4670
oxidized at 150°C	5.4508	5.4508	5.4508
oxidized at 350°C	6.7284	11.9388	4.1478
oxidized at 450°C	6.7108	11.9280	4.1382
oxidized at 500°C	6.7292	11.9754	4.1508
Pellet scrap	6.7068	11.9376	4.1430

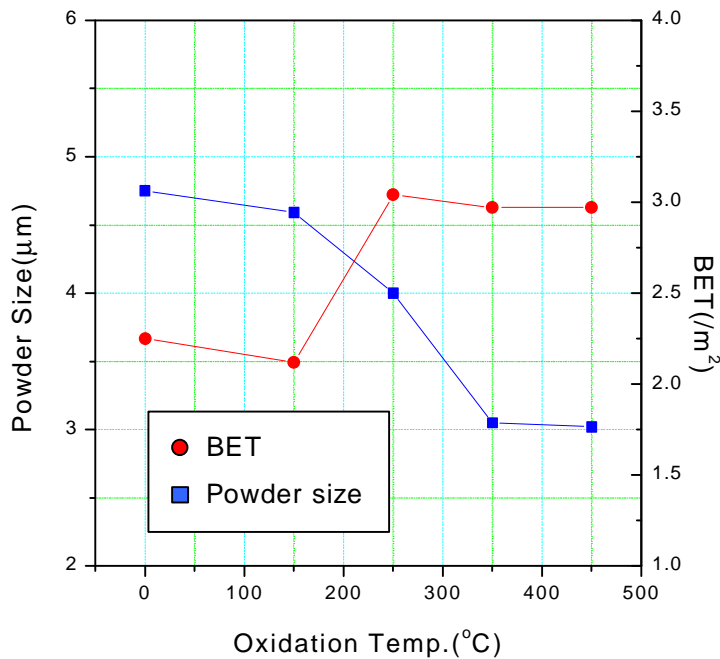


Fig. 1 Variation of particle size and surface area of powders with oxidation temperature

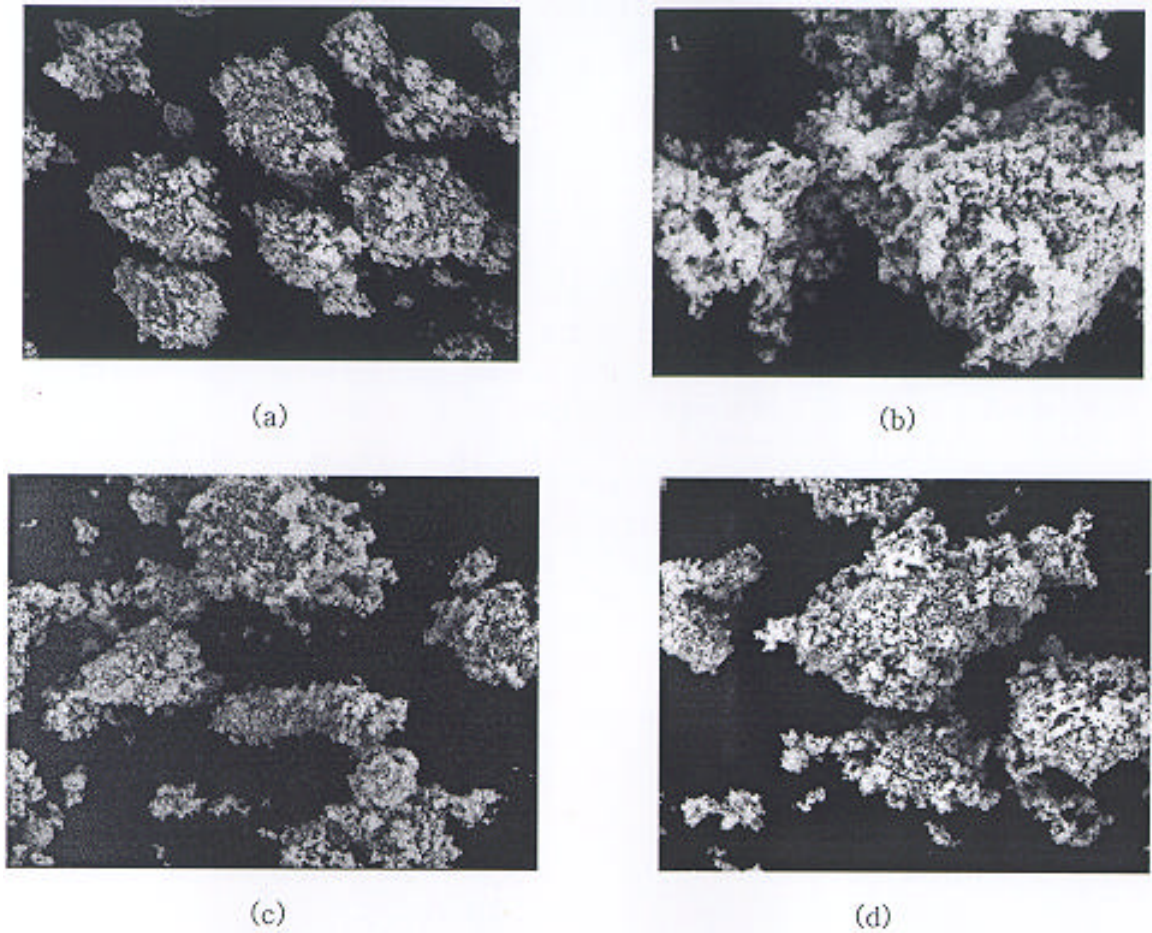


Fig. 2 Powder morphology changes with oxidation temperature  
 (a) Virgin  $\text{UO}_2$  (b)  $150^\circ\text{C}$  (c)  $250^\circ\text{C}$  (d)  $350^\circ\text{C}$

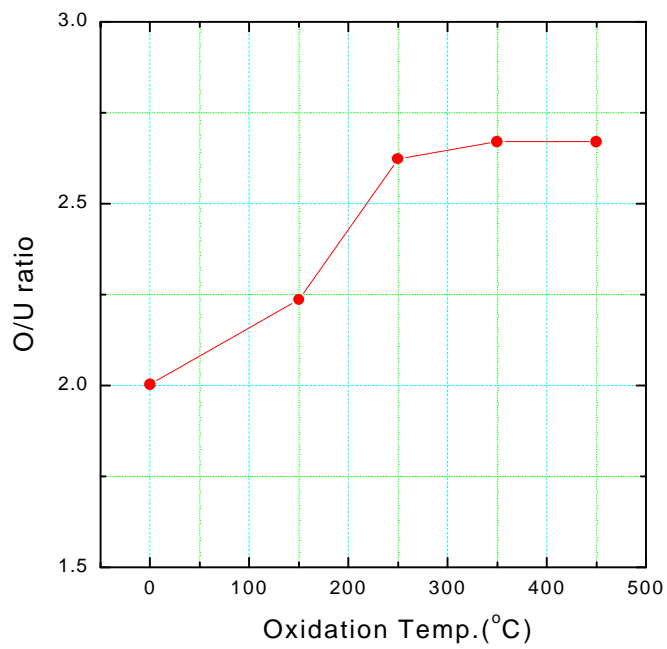


Fig. 3 Variation of O/U ratio of powders with oxidation temperature

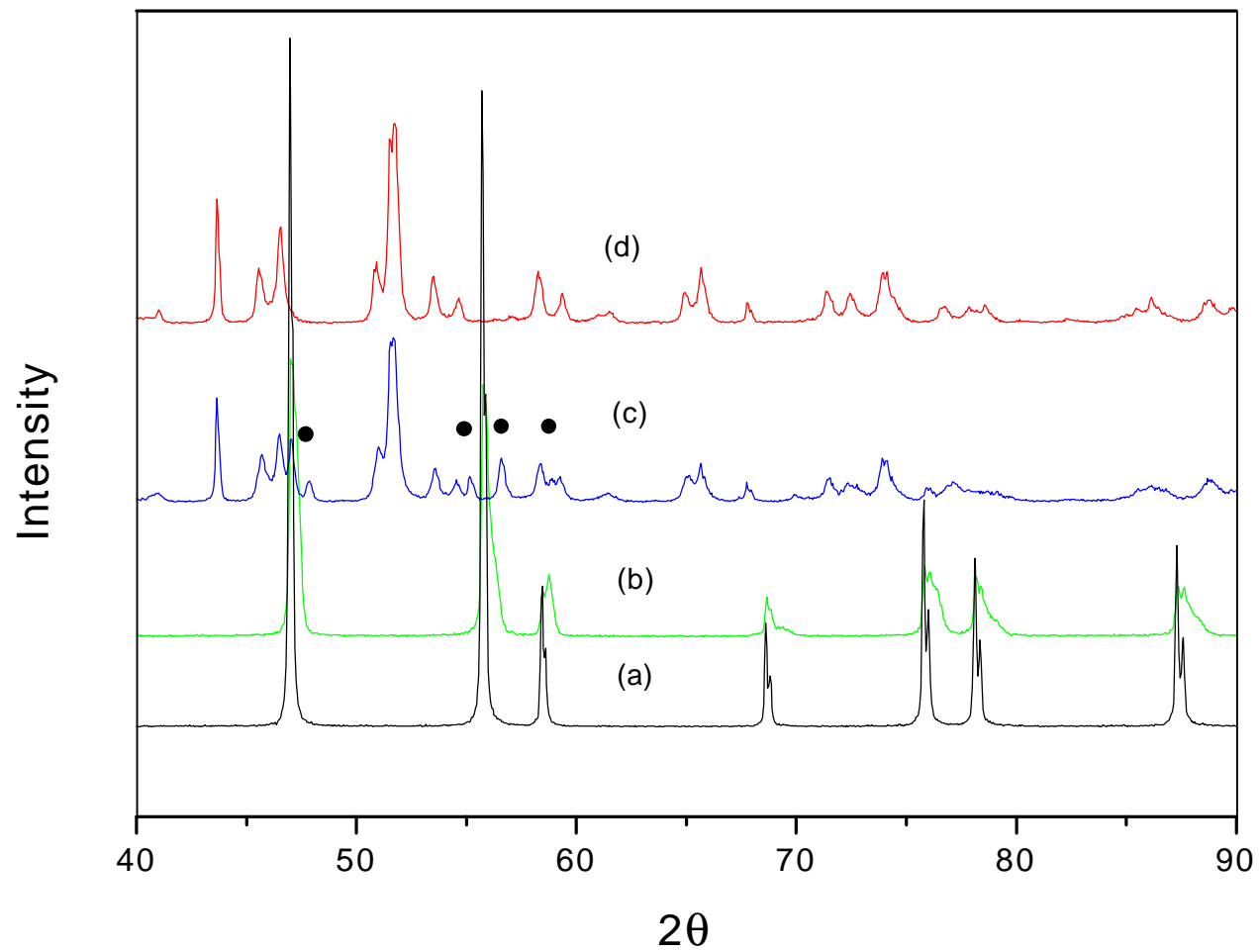


Fig. 4 X-ray diffraction patterns of the oxidized powders  
(a) Virgin  $\text{UO}_2$  (b) 150°C (c) 250°C (● :  $\text{U}_3\text{O}_7$ ) (d) 350°C



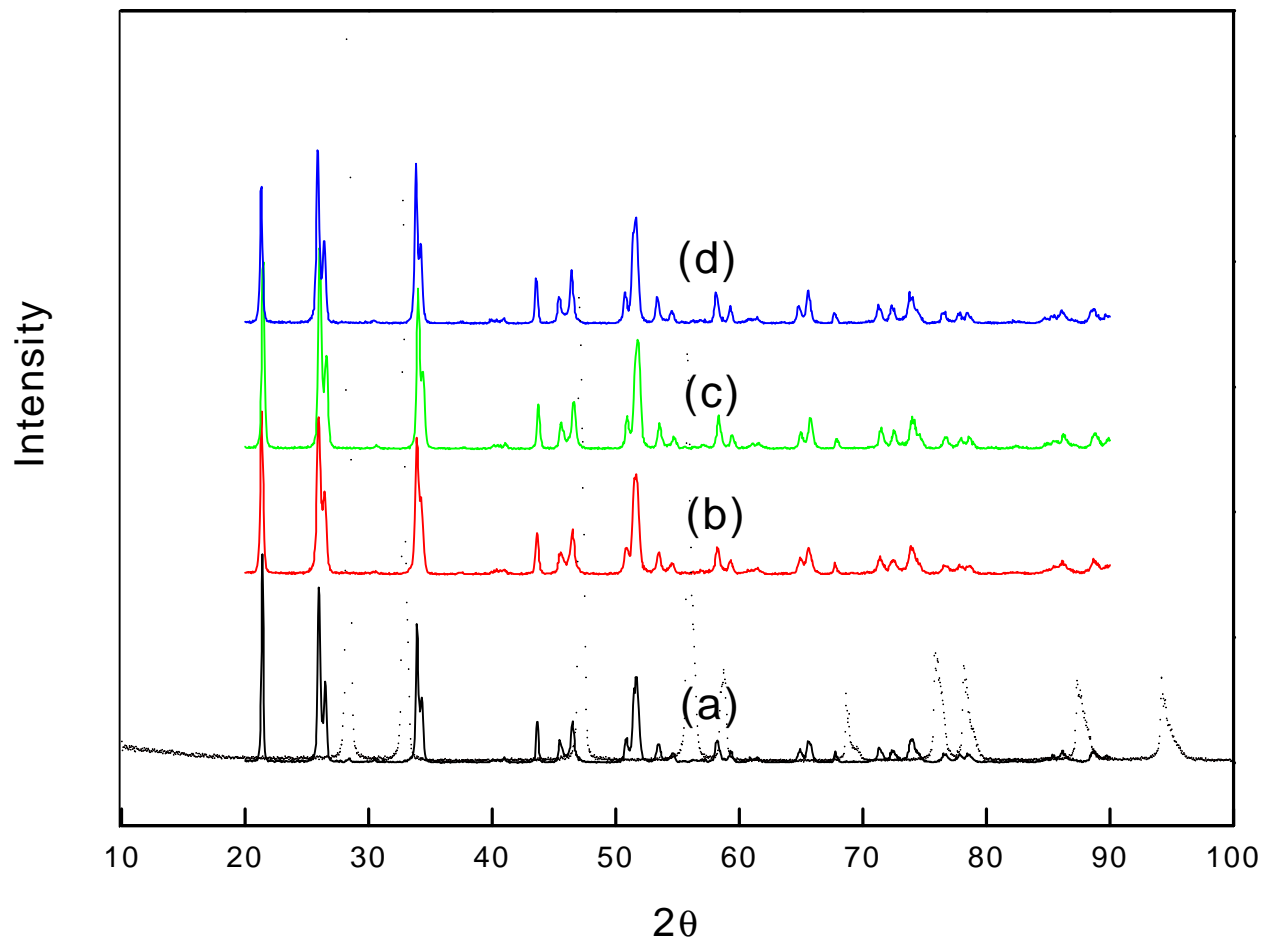


Fig. 5 X-ray diffraction patterns of the oxidized powders  
(a) 350°C (b) 450°C (c) 500°C (d) Pellet scrap(450°C, 4hr)