

UO₂

Crystal Structure Analysis of Nuclear Fuel Materials in UO₂-System

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O/U ratio, Rietveld method, Fm-3m space group, <110>, <111> directions, (2:2:2) cluster model, O/U ratio 2.14 (UO₂14-0025), O/U ratio 2.2 (UCO-xxxx), 700 - 1000 K, β -U₄O₉, (I-43d) model.

Abstract

Crystal structural change of uranium oxides of varying O/U ratio were studied with temperature. The crystal structure were analysed using Rietveld refinement method by applying the previously reported models. UO₂14 has the Fm-3m space group structure with two interstitial sites displaced along the <110> and <111> and was confirmed to the 2:2:2 cluster model. UO₂.2 showed structural transition from the superlattice I-43d to a fundamental lattice of Fm-3m in the temperature range of 750 - 1000 . The structure of UO₂.2 in the temperature range RT - 750 were successfully refined with the β -U₄O₉(I-43d) model.

1.

UO_2 ,
 UO_2 ,
 가
 $UO_2, U_4O_9, U_3O_7, U_3O_8, UO_3$,
 UO_{2+x} [1,2]. (CaF₂) UO_2
 hyperstoichiometric , nonstoichiometry
 가 . 1960 Willis[3-5]
 UO_{2+x} (2:2:2) , nonstoichiometry
 가 (2:2:2) cluster 가 가
 가 cuboctahedral .
 Catlow [6] (4:3:2) defect cluster , Hutchings[7]
 (3:1:2) defect cluster , Matsui[8]
 (2:2) cluster, (2:1:2) cluster, (2:2:2) cluster . UO_{2+x}
 , , , UO_2
 - (Pellet-Cladding Interaction; PCI) ,
 가 O/U
 UO_2 .
 O/U O/U
 , Rietveld
 O/U

2.

2.1

UO_2 , BNFL(British Nuclear Fuel plc)
 IDR , $2\mu m, O/U$ 2.14(IDR- UO_2)
 Eldorado Resources limited ADU UO_2
 $0.9\mu m, O/U$ 2.12 1
 zinc stearate 0.2wt 가 3 ton/cm^2 ,
 1700 4 H₂ (ADU- $UO_{2.00}$), 1300
 4 CO₂ (IDR- $UO_{2.20}$). H₂ CO₂

O/U 2.0, 2.2 , 10.60 g/cm³ 10.83 g/cm³ .
 O/U Thermo-Gravimetric (TGA) ,
 (immersion method) .

2.2

8mm, 7.7mm, 45mm vanadium tube 2.21
 g (250, 500, 750 1000) Rietveld
 powder diffractometer) . ST2-channel HRPD (high resolution
 Ge331 monochromator (=1.8348), 0.05 °/step scan, V-can
 (scanning speed) 가 10,000cps가
 Full-prof Rietveld stacking ,
 Vanadium tube

O/U 3가 ,
 UCO-xxxx, UO2-xxxx, UO214 . UCO IDR-UO_{2.20}, UO2
 ADU-UO_{2.00}, UO214 O/U 가 2.14 , xxxxx .

3.

3.1.

1 O/U 가 2.0 2.14 가
 (superlattice) . 2.2
 (UCO-0025) . 2 O/U 가 2.0 (UO2-xxxx)
 가
 3 O/U 가 2.2 (UCO-xxxx)
 750 ,
 . 1000 가 ,
 (fundamental lattice) . 1000 가 200
 UCO-cool 가

3.2 Rietveld

4 O/U 가 2.0 (UO2-xxxx) Fm-3m
 가
 Fm-3m Rwp가 7-10% .

2 O/U 가 2.14 (UO214-0025)
 Bevan, Willis , <110> <111>
 (MO' MO'') , UO2
 (MO), MO' , MO''
 2 , Matsui[8] (2:2:2)
 cluster
 3 O/U 가 2.2 (UCO-0500) 750
 I-43d Bevan, Willis cuboctahedral
 Rwp, Rb 9.3, 6.11% Bevan Rwp 16%
 가 occupancy 100% ,
 Belbeoch
 [9]
 4 O/U 가 2.2 (UCO-xxxx)
 (1000)
 β - U₄ O₉ (I-43d) 가 , Rwp
 5 O/U 가
 가 (UCO-xxxx) 가 stoichiometry UO2-xxxx
 6 O/U 가 2.2(UCO-xxxx) 1000 . 2
 (vacancy) 가
 3.3.
 O-U O/U 가 2.0 UO₂ U₄O₉
 UO₂ U₄O₉ 가 1 O/U 가
 2.14 가
 가
 O/U
 가 2.2 (UCO-xxxx) 700 - 1000 가
 가
 O/U 가 2.2 (UCO-xxxx)
 α, β, γ 가
 가 , β
 가 가

1. O/U 가 2.14 (UO₂14-0025) Fm-3m , , <110> <111> , UO₂ . (2:2:2) cluster .
2. O/U 가 2.14 700 - 1000 가 가 . O/U 가 2.2 (UCO-xxxx) 가
3. ,
4. O/U 가 2.2 (UCO-xxxx) β - U₄ O₉ (I-43d) 가 가 .

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1. IDR- UO_2 , ADU- UO_2

Element	Content ($\mu\text{g/g}$)	
	IDR- UO_2	ADU- UO_2
F	7.0	<5
C	30	90
Fe	15	25
B	<0.03	<0.1
Ca	<10	<5
Cl	<3	
Mg	<3	<1
Zn	4	
Dy	<0.001	<0.15
Gd	<0.001	<0.1

2. UO_2 .14

atom	x	y	z	occup.	Biso
U	0.0000(0)	0.0000(0)	0.0000(0)	0.021(0)	0.537(0)
01	0.2500(0)	0.2500(0)	0.2500(0)	0.038(0)	0.719(0)
02	0.5000(0)	0.3897(0)	0.3897(0)	0.003(0)	0.731(0)
03	0.3102(0)	0.3102(0)	0.3102(0)	0.005(0)	0.734(0)
Fm - 3m, a=b=c=5.4668					
Rp=8.02, Rwp=10.9, Rb=2.92					
MO = 1.823 MO = 0.144 MO = 0.192					

3. UCO-0500

atom	x	y	z	occup	Biso
U1	0.000(0)	0.000(0)	0.000(0)	0.333(0)	0.191(8)
U2	0.250(0)	0.000(0)	0.250(0)	0.500(0)	0.191(8)
U3	0.125(0)	0.125(0)	0.250(0)	1.000(0)	0.191(8)
U4	0.007(13)	0.000(0)	0.250(0)	0.500(0)	0.191(8)
U5	-0.120(8)	0.004(9)	0.124(11)	1.000(0)	0.191(8)
U6	-0.005(11)	0.117(13)	0.372(10)	1.000(0)	0.191(8)
U7	-0.008(10)	0.125(10)	0.130(8)	1.000(0)	0.191(8)
O1	-0.037(16)	0.080(15)	0.253(17)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O2	-0.015(15)	-0.009(16)	0.351(13)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O3	-0.102(12)	0.084(14)	0.329(15)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O4	-0.089(17)	0.089(17)	0.089(17)	0.333(0)	1.129(10)
O5	0.181(16)	0.181(16)	0.181(16)	0.333(0)	1.129(10)
O6	0.056(20)	0.184(16)	0.185(16)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O7	0.071(16)	0.067(18)	0.192(19)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O8	-0.057(17)	0.064(19)	0.057(17)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O9	-0.061(16)	0.060(17)	0.447(16)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O10	-0.060(15)	0.199(15)	0.188(0)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O11	-0.066(0)	0.186(0)	0.323(16)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O12	0.086(17)	0.084(18)	0.307(15)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O13	-0.064(17)	0.196(0)	0.443(0)	1.000(0)	1.129(10)
O14	-0.125(0)	0.000(0)	0.250(0)	0.250(0)	1.129(10)
I 4 3d		a=21.8761	b=21.8761	c=21.8761	
		Rp=7.16	Rwp=9.43	Rb=6.11	Rr=6.04

4. UO₂ I $\bar{4}$ 3d ' R '

' R '	Rp	Rwp	Rb	RF	S ²
	9.51	12.8	7.15	7.34	4.86
250. C	8.47	11.9	7.70	6.38	5.82
500. C	7.16	9.43	6.11	6.04	3.63
750. C	5.63	7.20	8.57	10.7	2.18
1000. C	5.98	7.65	1.42	2.29	1.83

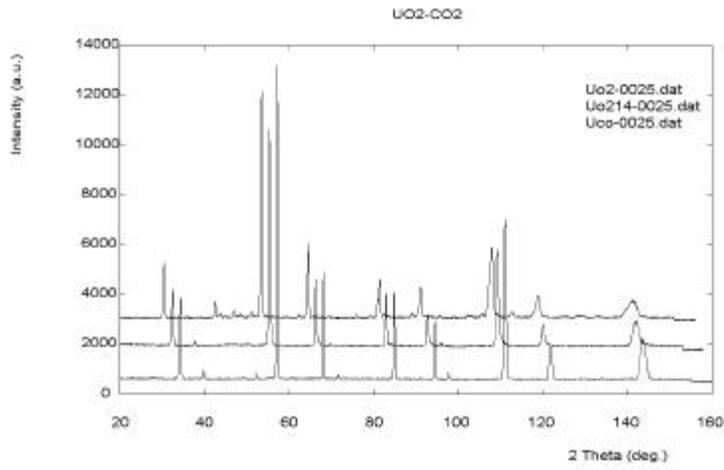
5. O/U

a, Å \ O/U	2.0	2.14	2.2
. C	5.4724	5.4673	5.4479(*4=21.7919)
500. C	5.4959	-	5.4690(*4=21.8761)
1000. C	5.5263	-	5.5160

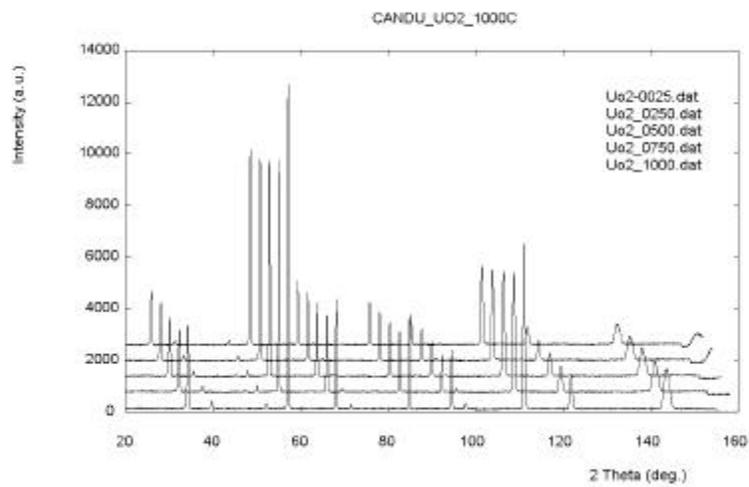
6. UO₂ 1000°C

atom	x	y	z	occup.	Biso
U	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.021	1.890(12)
01	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.032(0)	2.543(0)
01	0.5000(0)	0.4043(47)	0.4043(47)	0.008(0)	2.543(0)
01	0.3388(58)	0.3388(58)	0.3388(58)	0.007(0)	2.543(0)
Fm - 3m		a=5.5160 Rp=4.53	b=5.5160 Rwp=5.91	c=5.5160 Rb=1.42	

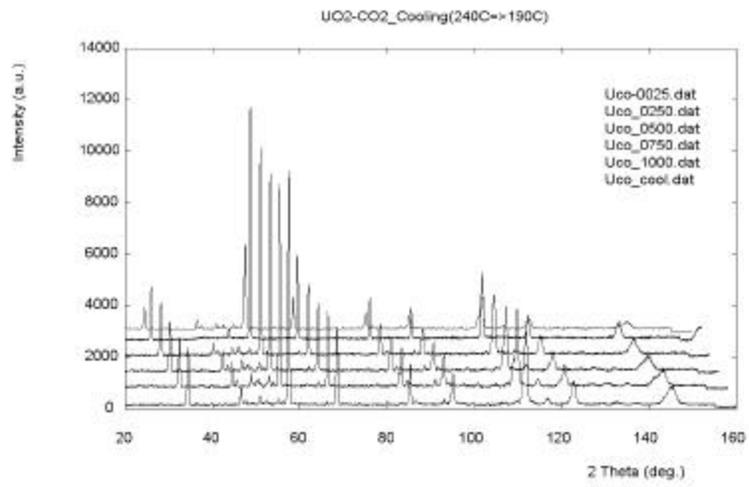
1. O/U



2. UO2



3. UO₂.2



4. UO₂ UO_{2.2}

