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Post irradiation examination of the MEGAPIE samples at JAEA

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1. JAEA Samples (1)



JAEA samples : Beam window Flow guide tube (FGT) All samples are without LBE.



Beam window (H02-1) Material: T91



1. JAEA Samples (2)



Flow guide tube (FGT) (H03-2)

Material:SS316L



1. JAEA Samples (3)



Flow guide tube (FGT) (H04-2)

Material:SS316L



1. JAEA Samples (4)



Dimensions of the specimens



Tensile specimen



	Beam window	Flow gu							
	H02-1	H03-2	H04-2						
	T91	SS3	SS316L						
Tensile	9	8	6	23					
ТЕМ	12	10	8	30					
Bend bar	-	-	8	8					
ОМ	2 (Spitze)	0	4	6					
Total	23	18	26	<u>67</u>					

Spitze:triangle part



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Experimental (2) – Tensile test -



Test conditions of 3 tensile specimens

- 1 RT in air
- ② 250°C (T91) and 300°C (SS316L) in Ar
- ③ the specimens were ground flat.
 250°C (T91) and 300°C (SS316L) in Ar
- To compare the existing data.
- To eliminate effects of surface condition and to evaluate only irradiation effect.
- Cross-head speed: 0.1 mm/min. (6 X 10⁻⁴/s)
- Measurement : Load, Displacement
- SEM observation of fracture surface





Jigs (SUS630 (17-4PH, H900)) 8

2. Experimental (3) -Tensile test-



Flat specimen

T91 (Beam window)

Some specimens were ground flat.



SS316L (FGT)



~0.04

4.0

2.0



t=1.49~1.53 mm



t=1.34~1.37 mm

2. Experimental (4) -Surface observation-



Specimens



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2. Experimental (5) - Microstructural observation-

Sample preparation and TEM observation

- Specimens were thinned to 0.2 mm by mechanical polishing
- Twin jet electro-polishing
- Solution ; 95 vol.% Acetic acid + 5 vol.% Perchloric acid (conc.60%)

TEM disk	Group No.	ID	dpa	Irrad. Temp [ºC]	Schedule
Beam window, T91	H02-1-14-A	TE04 – 07	0.81	252	2013
	H02-1-15-A	TE14 – 17	1.98	259	2014
	H02-1-15-B	TE24 – 27	0.94	251	2014
Flow guide tube, 316L SS	H03-2-C1-1	SE33, 34	1.36	316	2014
	H03-2-C1-2	SE44 – 47	1.46	311	2013
	H03-2-C1-3	SE54 – 57	1.57	308	2014
	H04-2-C1-1	SE64 – 67	0.19	341	2014
	H04-2-C1-1	SE74 - 77	0.16	335	2014

Table. List of MEGAPIE samples received by JAEA (TEM disk)

FE-TEM



HITACHI HF-2000

3. PIE results -Tensile tests (1)-

T91 (Beam window), RT tests



- YS increased with dose level by 10-30%.
- TE was not changed up to 0.82 dpa irradiation. After 1.44 dpa irradiation, TE decreased slightly.



Comparing to the literature value, the YS value are almost same level.



The TE value are lager than the literature value.

3. PIE results -Tensile tests (2)-



- · Yield points were disappeared.
- YS increased with dose level by 5-20%.
- TE were not changed up to 0.82 dpa irradiation. After 1.74 dpa irradiation, TE decreased slightly.



The YS value are slightly larger than the literature value. The YS of flat specimens are almost same with that of as-received specimens.



TE of flat specimens are slightly smaller than that of as-received specimens.

3. PIE results -Tensile tests (3)-

T91 (Beam window), Fracture surface





- Brittle fracture surface were not observed.
- RA value are not changed.

3. PIE results -Tensile tests (4)-



SS316L (FGT), RT tests





dpa

- Irradiation hardening and degradation of ductility are larger than T91.
- The YS of 0.16-0.19 dpa specimens are lower than that of the literature value. The YS of 1.46-1.57 dpa specimens are within data band.
- TE are within data band.



3. PIE results -Tensile tests (5)-

SS316L (FGT), 300°C tests



- Irradiation hardening and degradation of ductility are observed.
- YS of flat specimens are almost same with that of as-received specimens. TE of flat specimens are slightly smaller than that of as-received specimens.



3. PIE results -Tensile tests (6)-

SS316L (FGT), Fracture surface



- Ductile elongated dimples were observed. Brittle fracture surface were not observed.
- RA value decreased.



3. PIE results -Tensile tests (7)-

SS316L weld (FGT), RT and 300°C tests



- The specimen was not ground flat.
- The specimen was fractured at HAZ/base metal.



- The specimen was ground flat.
- The specimen was fractured at HAZ/base metal.

3. PIE results -Surface observation (1)-







50µm

Small number of pits



50µm

50µm

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3. PIE results - Microstructure observation (1)-



Typical irradiation microstructure

T91 (ID:TE04) 0.81 dpa, 252°C Carbides ($M_{23}C_6$ and MC)





Interstitial loops \sim 10 nm size, but low density ۲

3. PIE results - Microstructure observation (2)-

Typical irradiation microstructure



100nm

• High number density Frank loops and cavities.

4. Summary



Tensile tests

• Irradiation effects on the tensile properties were investigated.

Surface observation by SEM

- BW (T91); corroded surface, large number of pits were observed.
- FGT (SS316L); surface detachment was observed.

Microstructure observation by TEM

• TEM observation for two samples were performed.

Future plan



Tensile tests

• Fracture surface observation on high temp. tested specimens.

Surface observation by SEM

- Cross section observation
- Outer surface

Microstructure observation by TEM

• TEM observation for rest samples.

Bending test and SP test.

• It is necessary to make jigs, specimen setting device, etc.

PIE -Schedule -



Year	2014								2015												2016							
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