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HYDROGEN DIFFUSIVITY IN A19Si3CuTi ALLOYS

The hydrogen transport in the Al9Si3Cu(0,2-4,1)Ti alloys whit different content of Ti (0,2;

1,02; 2,3 and 4.1 wt.%) is studied by using of permeation method. The measured flux is obtained as a

result of interaction between the specimen (as a cathode) and hydrogen glow discharge with current

density 12 mA/cm², voltage 500 V, constant hydrogen pressure 1330 Pa, distance between electrodes

24 mm in 640-780 K temperature range. Solution of the second Fick's equation in case of uni-

dimensional diffusion problem describing the diffusion through a thin plate (membrane) is used to

determine the hydrogen diffusivity in studied alloys. The solution describes case when the rate of

surface processes is comparable to the diffusion. Values of diffusivity D were presented in Arrhenius

plot and worked out by the least-squares method and both preexponential factors and activation

energies were obtained.

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