

Fig. 19. Stress dependence of the secondary creep rate of Fe_3AlC with αFe precipitate at 950 °C (1), Fe_3AlC with graphite at 1000 °C (2), $(\text{Ni}_{0.8}\text{Fe}_{0.2})\text{Al}$ at 1027 °C (3), and $(\text{Co}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.2})\text{Al}$ at 1027 °C (4) [87J1].

Ni–Hf–Al

The microstructure and mechanical properties of several Ni–Al–Hf samples have been studied in the compositional range (NiAl) (β) and Ni_2HfAl (Heusler phase). The volume fraction V_f of the Heusler phase varies from 15 % to 96 %. The yield strength increases with increasing V_f at all temperatures up to 1000 °C. All the alloys can be extensively deformed without fracture at 1000 °C. The hardness of the Heusler alloy is very high (8.3 GPa) at room temperature but slowly decreases up to 600 °C and then rapidly falls off. The brittleness and high hardness at low temperatures is related to lattice distortions.

Table 3. Phases present, lattice parameter a and volume fraction of Heusler phase, V_f , in HH-1, HH-2 and HH-4 [90T3].

Alloy	Phase present	a [Å]	V_f [%]
HH-1	B2	2.886	14.7
	L_{21}	6.070	
HH-2	B2	2.885	47.9
	L_{21}	6.069	
HH-4	L_{21} unknown	6.061 a)	> 96

a) Cannot be determined.

Table 5. Estimation of lattice strain ε in the Heusler structure from atomic spacing Ni–Al, Ni–Hf and Ni–Ti pairs in B2 and Heusler structures [90T3].

Atomic pair	d_{AB}^B [Å]	d_{AC}^B [Å]	$d_{AB=AC}^H$ [Å]	ε [%]
Ni–Al	2.500		2.624	5.0
Ni–Hf		2.740	2.624	– 4.2
Ni–Al	2.500		2.530	1.2
Ni–Ti		2.611	2.530	– 3.1

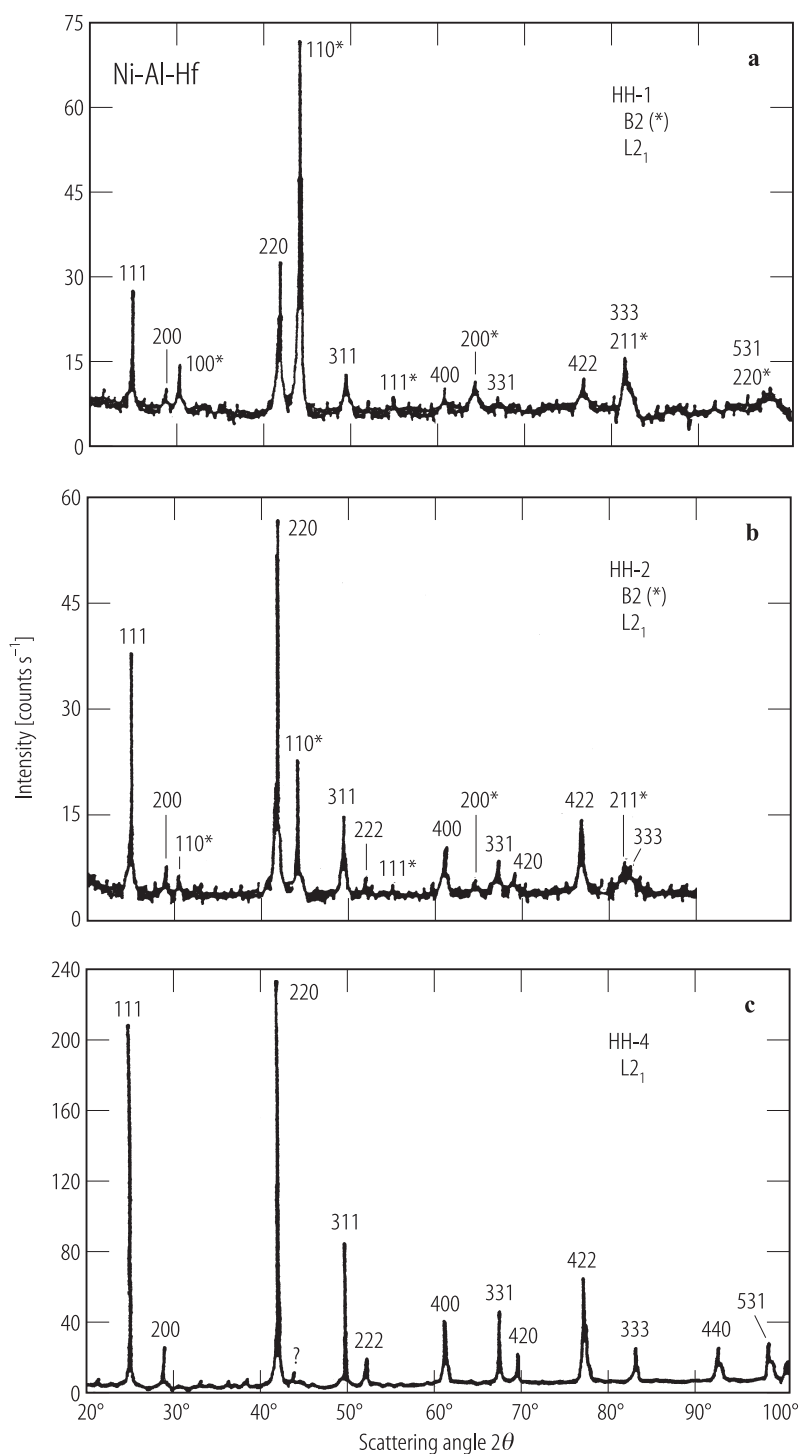


Fig. 21. X-ray diffraction patterns of standard heat treated (1150 °C/1d plus 900 °C/5d in vacuum of (a) HH-1, (b) HH-2 and (c) Hh-4. (See Fig. 20) [90T3].

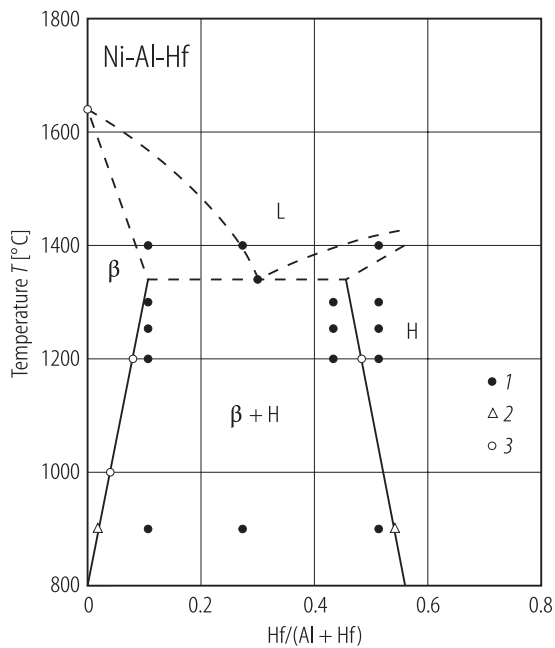


Fig. 22. Estimated phase diagram of (NiAl)(β) - Ni_2HfAl (H) pseudo binary system. 1: [90T3], 2: calculated values from volume fraction, 3: Nash's data.

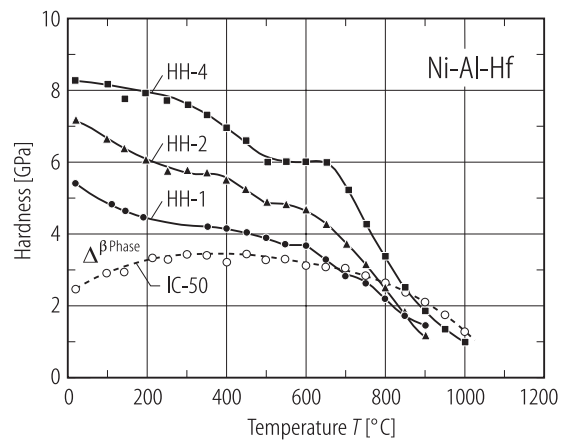


Fig. 23. Change in hardness with temperature of HH-1, HH-2 and HH-4 together with IC-50 (Ni-23.5Al-0.5Hf-B) for comparison. The room temperature hardness of NiAl- β phase is also included [90T3].

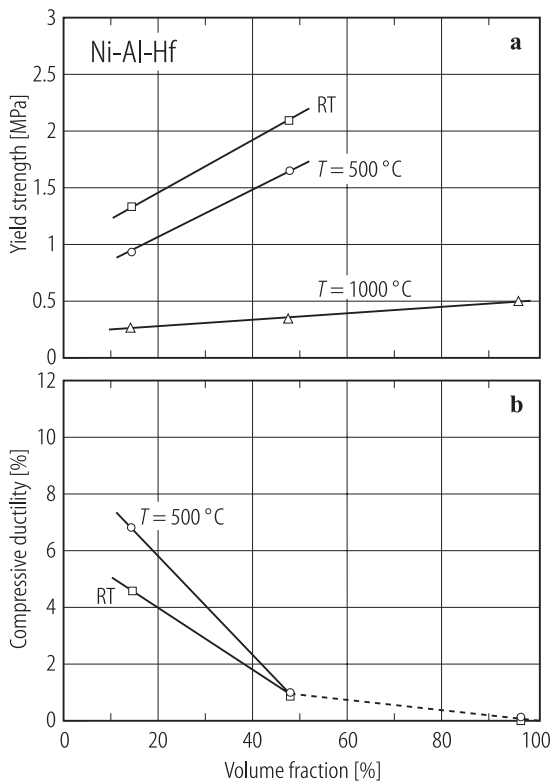


Fig. 24. (a) Yield strength and (b) compressive ductility of alloys studied as a function of the volume fraction of Heusler phase [90T3]. Ductility of the alloys at 1000 °C is larger than 50 %.

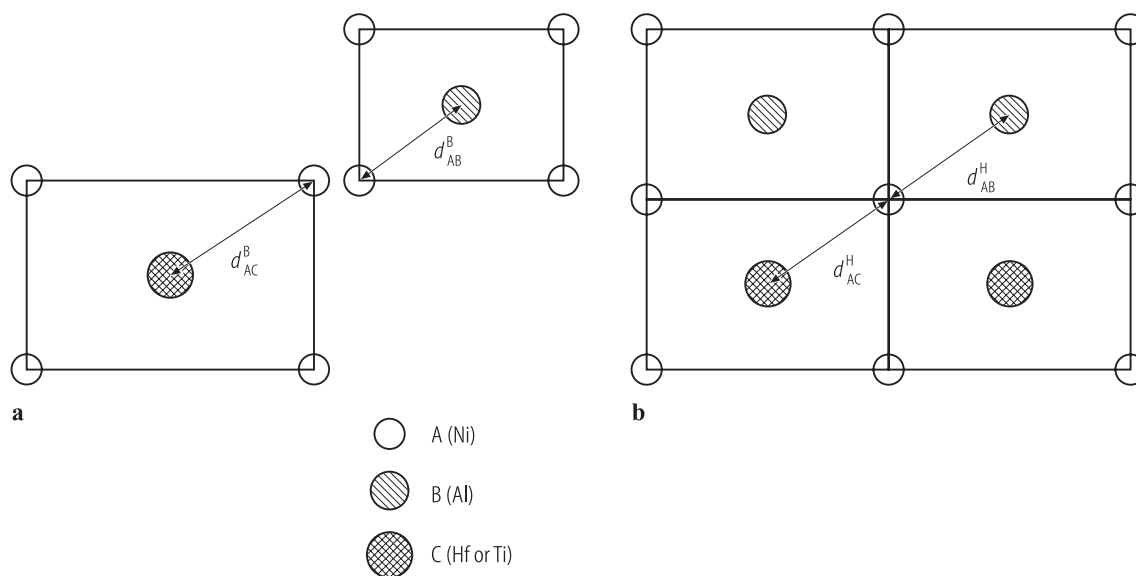


Fig. 25. Schematic illustration of (a) B2 structures, AB and AC compounds and (b) L2₁ structure, A₂BC

compound viewing from {110} closed pack plane [90T3].

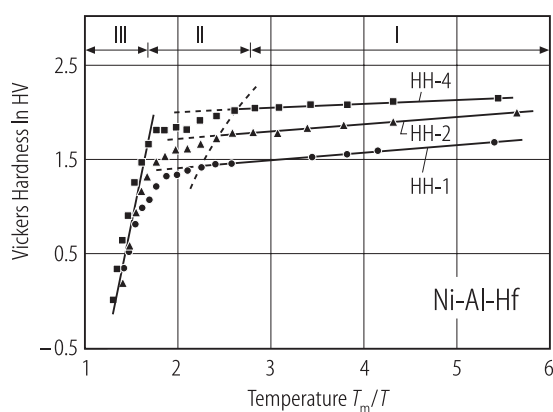


Fig. 26. Hardness HV of HH-1, HH-2 and HH-4 samples as a function of reciprocal temperature (T_m : melting point). Region (I) is the athermal process of deformation; (II) is the transition regime and region (III) is the thermally activated process of deformation [90T3].

Mg-(R)-Ag

Ternary intermetallic phases of several systems where R = La, Ce, Pr, Nd or Sm have been investigated by differential thermal analysis and X-ray diffraction.