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HOT CORROSION OF LOW COBALT ALLOYS

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As part of the COSAM program, we have been investigating the hot corrosion attack susceptibility of various alloys as a function of strategic materials content. Preliminary results have been obtained for two commercial alloys, Udimet 700 and Mar-M 247, that were modified by varying the cobalt content. For both alloys the cobalt content was reduced in steps to zero. Nickel content was increased accordingly to make up for the reduced cobalt but all other constituents were held constant. Wedge bar test samples were produced by casting. The hot corrosion test consisted of cyclically exposing samples to the high velocity flow of combustion products from an air-fuel burner fueled with jet A-1 and seeded with a sodium chloride aqueous solution. The flow velocity was Mach 0.5 and the sodium level was maintained at 0.5 ppm in terms of fuel plus air. The test cycle consisted of holding the test samples at 900° C for 1 hour followed by 3 minutes in which the sample could cool to room temperature in an ambient temperature air stream. Assessing the extent of hot corrosion attack has proved to be a challenge and various methods are being evaluated. Every 15 cycles the sample is placed in a coil and the inductance of the coil plus sample combination is measured. This is a nondestructive method, and results to date indicate that change of inductance can be related to extent of attack and useful life. At the end of 200 cycles samples were electrolytically descaled, weighed, mounted and cross sectioned for metallographic examination to ascertain the extent of attack and amount of unattached alloy remaining. For both alloys tested, hot corrosion attack appeared to decrease as the cobalt content was reduced. Final measurements of the attack have not been completed but the preliminary results indicate that cobalt is deleterious with respect to the hot corrosion attack produced by the test method employed. Further evaluation of the role of cobalt is still in progress.

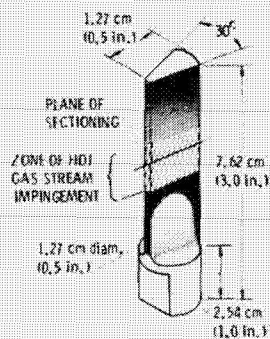
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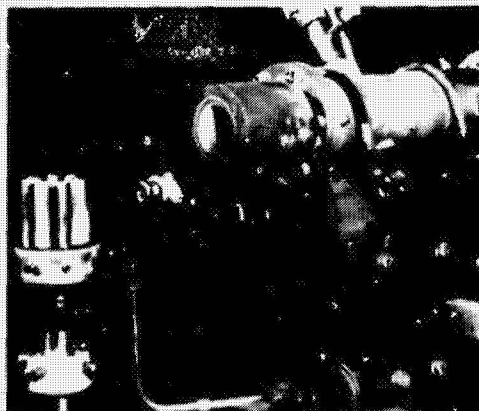
ALLOY CHEMISTRY, IN WT PERCENT, FOR HOT CORROSION TEST SAMPLES

ALLOY	Co	Si	Cr	Ta	Al	Mo	W	Ti	Fe	Hf	Zr	Mn	C
UDIMET 700 - COMMERCIAL	15.5	0.1	14.2	0.0	4.2	4.4	0.0	3.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
UDIMET 700 - MODIFICATION 1	17.0	0.1	14.9	0.0	4.1	5.0	0.0	3.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
UDIMET 700 - MODIFICATION 2	12.8	0.1	14.7	0.0	4.1	5.0	0.0	3.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
UDIMET 700 - MODIFICATION 3	8.6	0.1	15.0	0.0	4.1	5.1	0.0	3.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
UDIMET 700 - MODIFICATION 4	4.3	0.1	15.1	0.0	4.1	4.9	0.0	3.6	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
UDIMET 700 - MODIFICATION 5	0.1	0.1	15.1	0.0	4.1	5.0	0.0	3.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Mar M-247 - COMMERCIAL	9.8	0.0	8.4	3.0	5.5	0.7	9.8	1.0	0.1	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.1
Mar M-247 - MODIFICATION 1	5.0	0.0	8.5	3.2	5.4	0.7	10.5	0.9	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Mar M-247 - MODIFICATION 2	0.1	0.0	8.4	3.9	5.1	0.6	10.2	1.0	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.1

HOT-CORROSION APPARATUS AND TEST SPECIMEN



TEST BAR

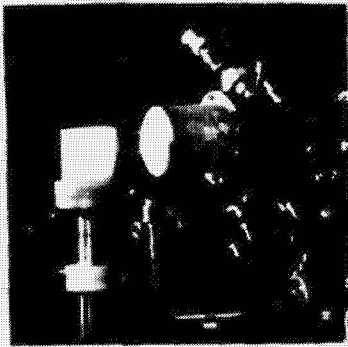


BURNER RIG

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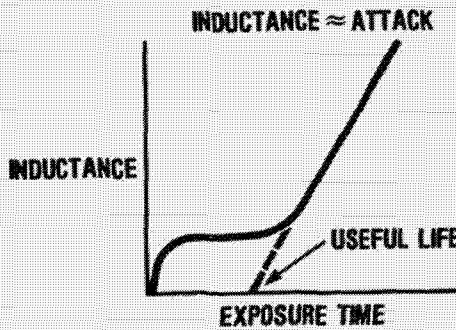
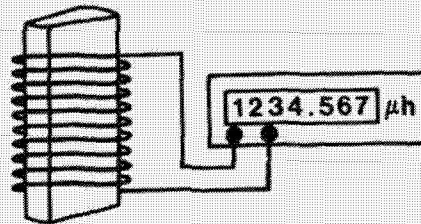
NON-DESTRUCTIVE METHOD FOR MEASURING HOT CORROSION OF TURBINE MATERIALS



BURNER RIG OR FURNACE
CORROSION EXPOSURE



CORRODED SAMPLE



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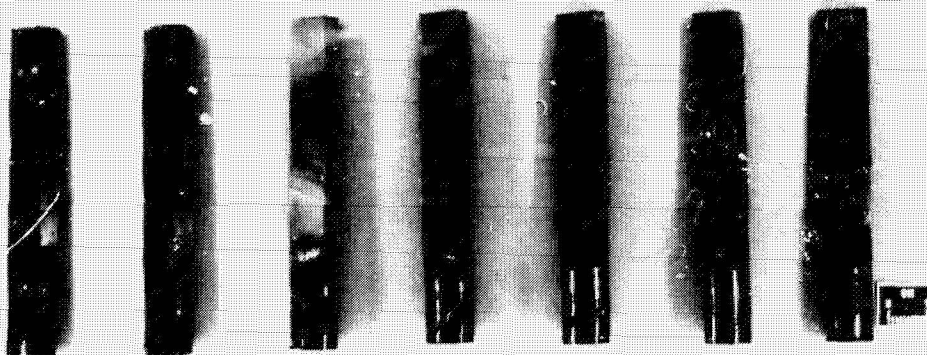
EFFECT OF COBALT ON HOT CORROSION

170 ONE HOUR CYCLES

0.5 w PPM Na as NaCl

900 C°

MACH 0.5



COMMERCIAL U-700
2 VENDORS

0Co

4.3 Co

8.6 Co

12.8 Co

17.0 Co

MODIFIED U-700

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EFFECT OF COBALT ON HOT CORROSION

170 ONE HOUR CYCLES

0.5 w PPM Na as NaCl

900 C°

MACH 0.5



0Co



5Co



10Co



MODIFIED MAR-M 247

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COATINGS FOR COSAM ALLOYS

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A program to investigate the effects of alloy strategic element content on the burner rig oxidation lives of typical high-temperature metallic coatings has been initiated. The first phase of this effort involves an investigation of the effects of U-700 and Mar-M 247 cobalt-content on the oxidation lives of a typical aluminide coating and a typical low pressure plasma sprayed NiCrAlYSi coating. Early data for the aluminide coated alloys shows an effect of cobalt-content on coating/substrate interdiffusion and on oxidation behavior. The second phase of this effort entails a statistically designed experiment to study the effects of Cr, Al, Co, Ta, and Mo on coating life. Materials for this effort are being prepared.

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COATINGS FOR COSAM ALLOYS

- OBJECTIVE:** DETERMINE EFFECTS OF ALLOY STRATEGIC METAL CONTENT ON COATING STABILITY AND LIFE
- APPROACH:**
- DETERMINE EFFECTS OF COBALT/TANTALUM LEVEL IN COSAM ALLOYS (U-700, Mar-M 247, ETC.) ON LIFE OF ALUMINIDE AND BARRIER COATINGS
 - CONDUCT BROADER INVESTIGATION OF ALLOYING EFFECTS (Cr, Co, Ta, Al, Mo) ON COATING LIFE

**EFFECTS OF COSAM ALLOY COBALT/TANTALUM
LEVEL ON COATING LIFE**

ALLOYS

- U-700 - Co LEVEL
 - WROUGHT - 5 LEVELS
 - CAST - 1 LEVEL
 - PM - 2 LEVELS
- MarM-247 - Co LEVEL
 - CAST - 3 LEVELS
- TANTALUM - ALLOY TBD

COATINGS

- PLASMA SPRAYED NiCoCrAlYSi
- ALUMINIDE

MACH 0.3 BURNER RIG OXIDATION

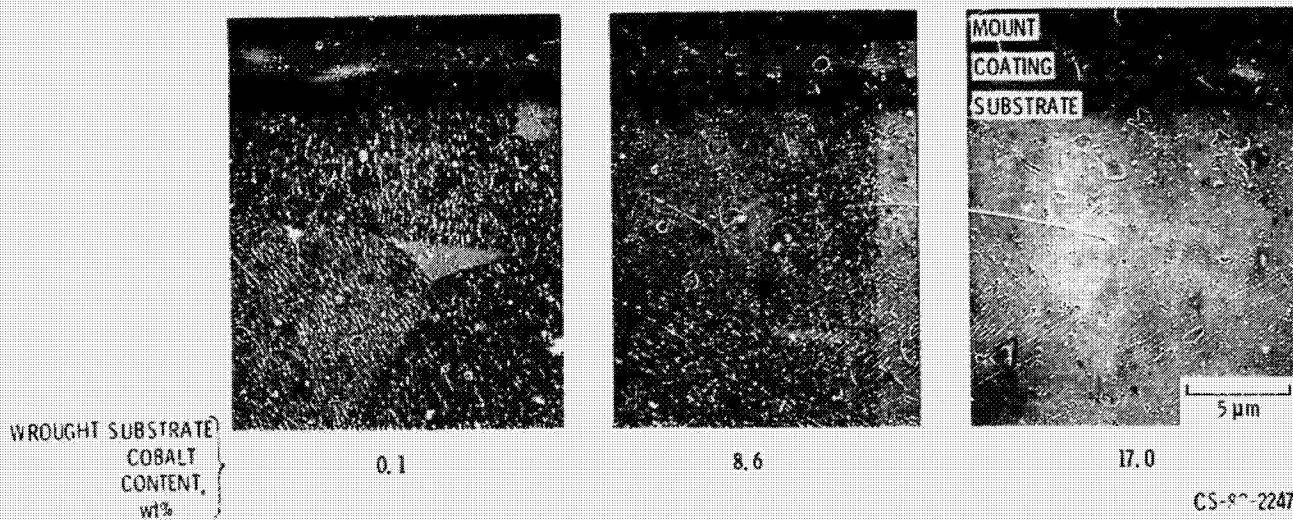
- ONE TEMPERATURE (1100° C)
- 1-hr CYCLES (TIMES TBD)

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EFFECTS OF ALLOY COMPOSITION ON COATING LIFE

- BASE ALLOY - U-700 (SAME AS IN HOST)
VARIABLES - Cr, Al, Co, Ta, Mo
- STATISTICALLY DESIGNED EXPERIMENT
CHECKS ON REFRACTORY ELEMENT SUBSTITUTION
W -- Mo
Nb -- Ta
- COATINGS
PLASMA SPRAYED NiCoCrAlYSi
ALUMINIDE (SAME AS IN HOST)
- EVALUATION
MACH 0.3 BURNER RIG OXIDATION
1100° C, 1-hr CYCLES, DURATION TBD

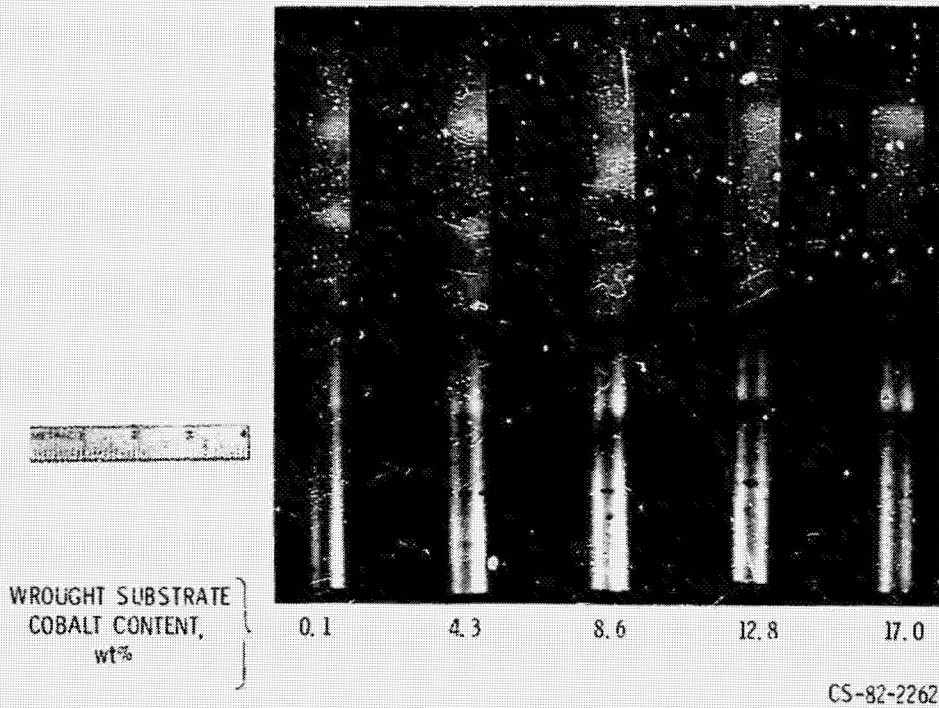
EFFECT OF COBALT ON ALUMINIZATION OF U-700



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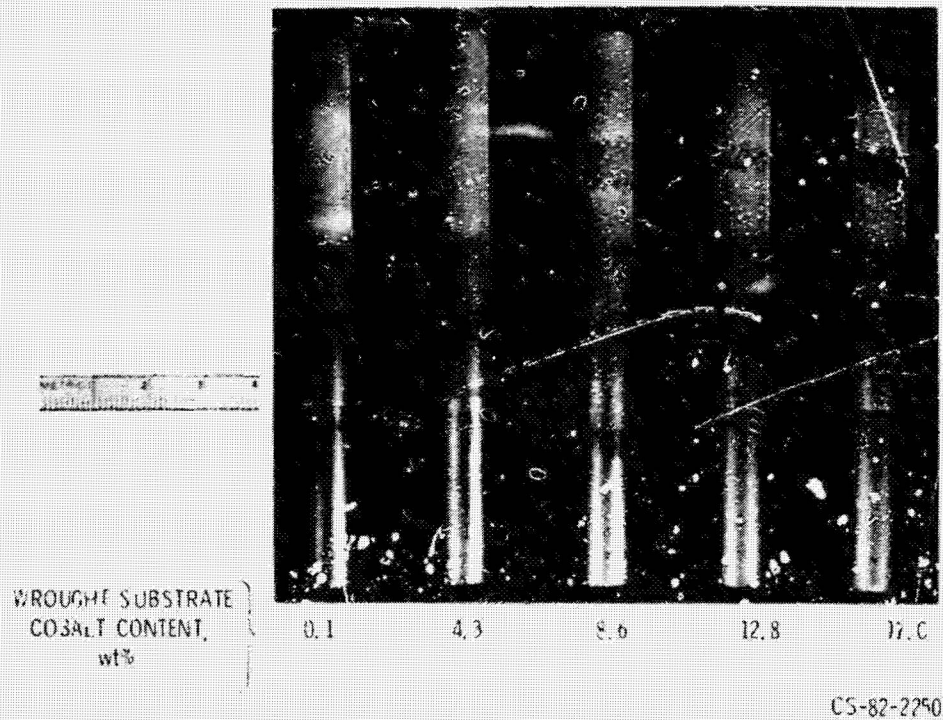
EFFECT OF COBALT CONTENT ON OXIDATION OF ALUMINIZED U-700

MACH 0.3 BURNER RIG, 150 1-hr CYCLES FRONT FACE: 1100° C



EFFECT OF COBALT CONTENT ON OXIDATION OF ALUMINIZED U-700

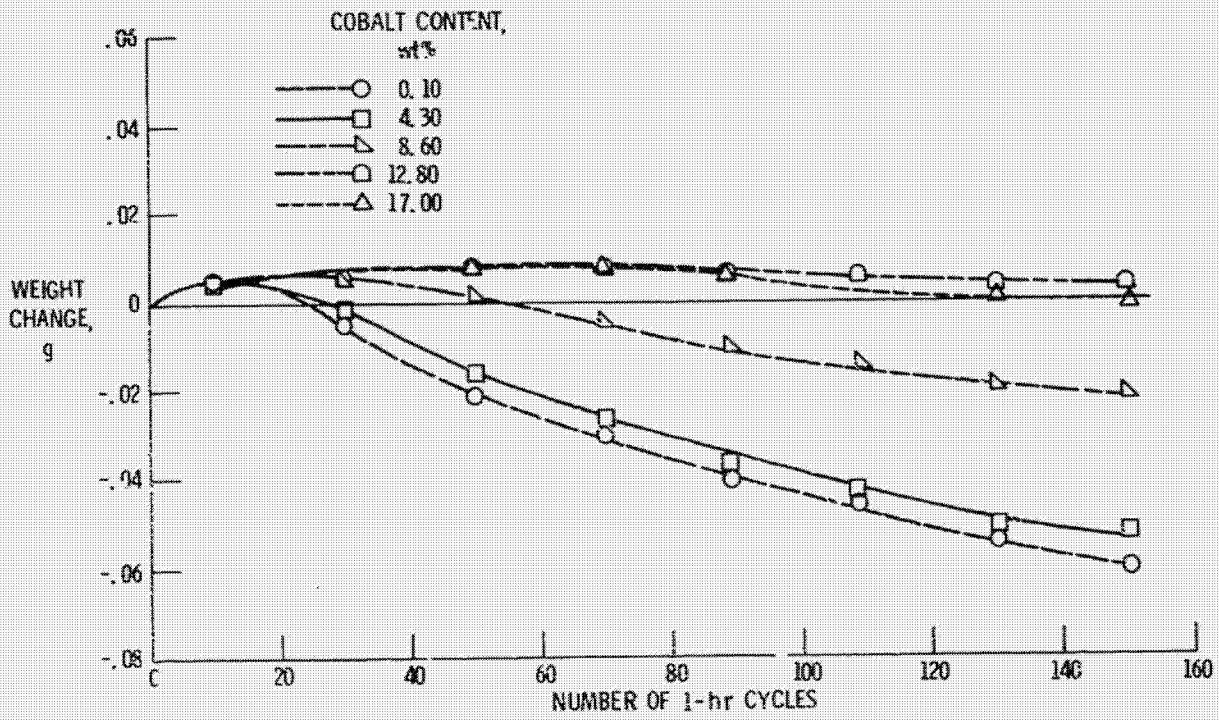
MACH 0.3 BURNER RIG, 150 1-hr CYCLES BACK FACE: 1120° C



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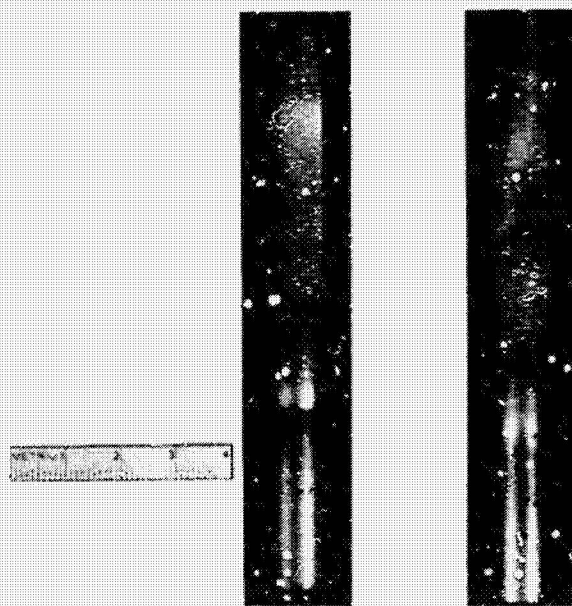
EFFECT OF COBALT ON OXIDATION BEHAVIOR OF ALUMINIZED U-700

MACH 0.3 BURNER RIG, 1100° C (FRONT FACE)



OXIDATION OF ALUMINIDE ON WROUGHT AND CAST U-700 ALLOYS

MACH 0.3 BURNER RIG, 150 1-hr CYCLES FRONT FACE: 1100° C



SUBSTRATE

WROUGHT

CAST

COBALT
CONTENT,
wt%

17.0

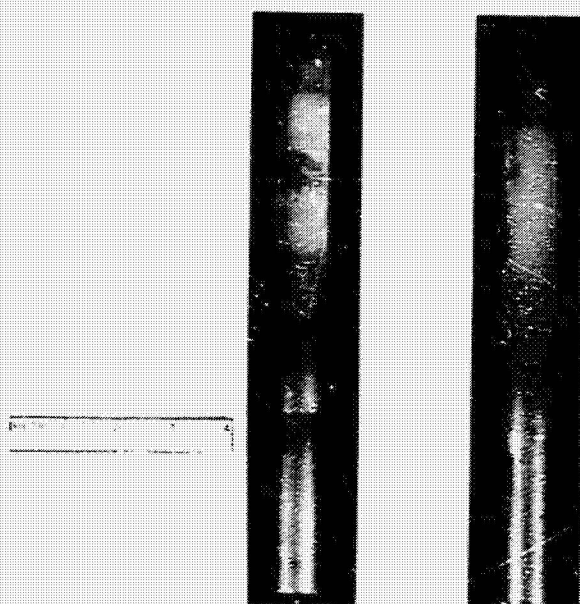
19.0

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OXIDATION OF ALUMINIDE ON WROUGHT AND CAST U-700 ALLOYS

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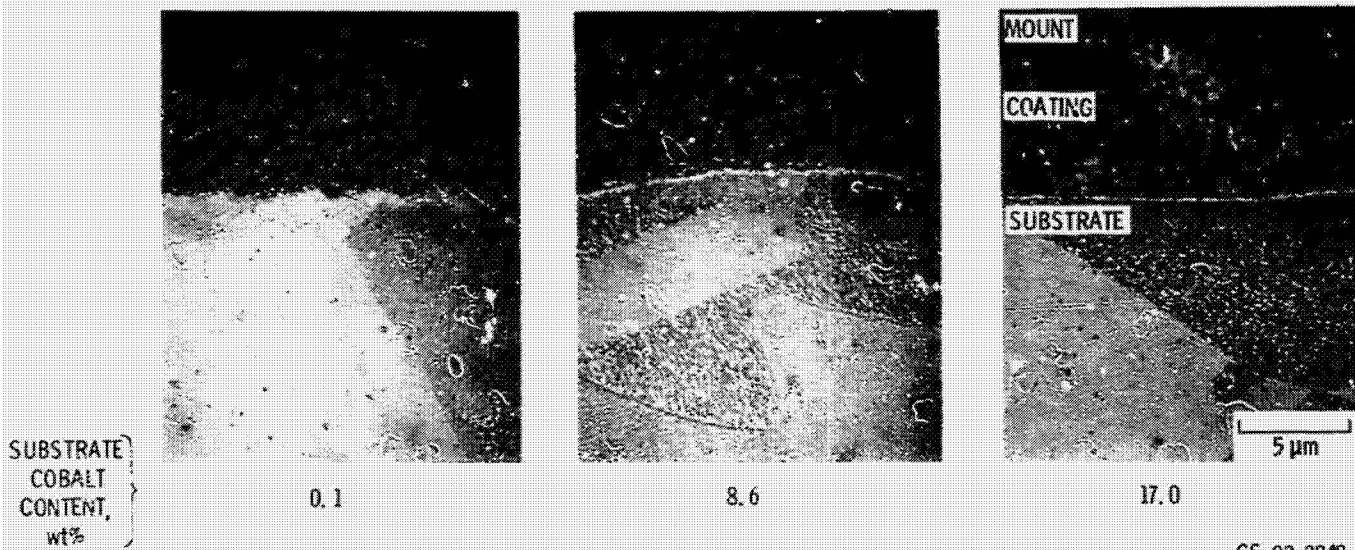
SUBSTRATE	WROUGHT	CAST
COBALT CONTENT, wt%	17.0	19.0

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EFFECTS OF U-700 COBALT ON STRUCTURE OF HT NiCrAlYSi

4 hr, 1080° C, ARGON



EFFECTS OF MarM 247 COBALT ON STRUCTURE OF HT NiCrAlYSi

4 hr, 1080° C, ARGON

