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SUMMARY

In an effort to superimpose two different elevated temperature strengthening mechanisms in NiAl, several lots of oxide dispersion strengthened (ODS) NiAl powder have been cryomilled in liquid nitrogen to introduce AlN particles at the grain boundaries. As an alternative to cryomilling, one lot of ODS NiAl was roasted in nitrogen to produce AlN. Both techniques resulted in hot extruded AlN-strengthened, ODS NiAl alloys which were stronger than the base ODS NiAl between 1200 and 1400 K. However neither the cryomilled nor the N₂-roasted ODS NiAl alloys were as strong as cryomilled binary NiAl containing like amounts of AlN. The reason(s) for the relative weakness of cryomilled ODS NiAl is not certain; however the lack of superior strength in N₂-roasted ODS NiAl is probably due to its relatively large AlN particles.

INTRODUCTION

One serious difficulty with the use of the B2 intermetallic NiAl as a high temperature structural material is its inherent lack of strength at temperature. Currently two powder metallurgy techniques are now available which can induce strength levels approaching those of simple Ni-base superalloys: a 'traditional' mechanical alloying to produce an oxide dispersion strengthened (ODS) NiAl (ref. 1) and high intensity milling of NiAl powder in liquid nitrogen-the cryomilling process (ref. 2). These two powder processes are intriguing in the sense that they appear to involve completely different strengthening mechanisms; hence they offer the potential for superpositioning.

Through mechanical alloying (MA) mixtures of Al-rich and Ni-rich master alloys with Y_2O_3 , Zöltzer (ref. 3) was able to successfully incorporate oxides uniformly throughout a NiAl matrix. Consolidation (refs. 1 and 4) resulted in a very fine grain sized (~1 µm) material reinforced with $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$ dispersoids with a median diameter of ~30 nm (ref. 5), and testing demonstrated that this material exhibited a 50 percent strength advantage over binary NiAl at 1300 K (ref. 4). This relatively low improvement in strength was traced to the small grain size of the densified materials, as even a simple heat treatment which grew the grains to 10 µm tripled the 1300 K creep strength (ref. 4). Following the history of metallic ODS alloys, Grahle et al. (refs. 1, 5 and 6) developed thermomechanical processing schedules to force large scale grain growth, and such materials exhibited improved creep properties even though the medium dispersoid diameter tripled to ~95 nm. Thus it appears that oxide dispersion strengthening can harden the NiAl matrix but leaves the grain boundaries relatively weak.

Concurrent with study of ODS NiAl, it was discovered (refs. 7 and 8) that high intensity grinding of prealloyed, binary NiAl powder in liquid nitrogen led to the formation of AlN particles on the surfaces of the powder fragments. Following densification, the material possessed a core and mantle microstructure, where micrometer size NiAl cores were surrounded by a thin mantle composed of ~25 nm diameter AlN particles and ~100 nm NiAl grains (refs. 9 and 10). Subsequent mechanical testing demonstrated that this heterogeneous, small grain size microstructure was capable of yielding very good creep properties under both compressive and tensile conditions (ref. 11). Clearly in this case strength must be the result of the mantle regions as the NiAl cores are devoid of any reinforcing second phase particles. Therefore cryomilled NiAl can be thought to possess strong grain boundaries (i.e. mantle) and weak grain interiors (cores).

Because cryomilling can, in essence, harden the grain boundary regions in NiAl and as-consolidated ODS NiAl suffers from relatively easy grain boundary deformation, these two techniques appeared ideal for superimposition in a single NiAl alloy. If successful, the weakness of each individual technique would be counteracted by the strength of the other technique. To this end a joint program between the Max-Planck-Institut für Metallforschung (MPI) and the NASA-Lewis Research Center (LeRC) was initiated to combine mechanical alloying with cryomilling and produce a dispersion strengthened, AlN particulate reinforced NiAl alloy for use at elevated temperatures.

This report presents the results of a study of the elevated temperature compressive properties of two heats of ODS NiAl powder after cryomilling and hot extrusion and a third heat of ODS NiAl which was tested in three conditions: (1) directly hot extruded, (2) roasted in nitrogen followed by hot extrusion, and (3) cryomilled followed by hot extrusion. This latter set of conditions allowed the direct comparison of the mechanical properties of the base ODS NiAl alloy to those after cryomilling and after an alternative method (N₂ roasting of the same ODS alloy, (ref. 4)) which also produced AlN. Part of this program was conducted at the Institut für Werkstoffwissenschaft, Max-Planck-Institut für Metallforschung, Stuttgart, Germany during one author's (JDW) stay at this institute, and the effort was completed at the NASA-Lewis Research Center, Cleveland, OH. Preliminary results were reported at the Fall '96 MRS meeting in Boston, MA and have been published in the symposium proceedings (ref. 12).

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Mechanically alloying was undertaken at Metallgesellschaft AG, Frankfurt utilizing an evacuated centrifugal vibratory ball mill (refs. 3 and 6) with a water-cooled, 20 liter capacity, cylindrical stainless steel milling chamber (260 mm diameter by 380 mm in height). A typical charge involved 56 kg of 18 mm diameter steel balls and 5 kg of appropriate mixtures of Ni₃Al and Ni-70 at % Al plus yttria powders designed to yield stiochiometric Ni-50Al + 1 or 3 vol % Y_2O_3 {identified as IP 6000/1 or IP 6000/3, respectively (ref. 4)} as the final product. For the present study three batches of ODS NiAl powder were utilized: following the MPI designations, they are heat Z5 and a mixed batch {heats Z12+Z13+Z6/1} of IP 6000/1 along with a single heat of IP 6000/3 (Z15). Both Z15 and the mixed batch {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} were mechanically alloyed for a total of 50 h, while Z5 was only milled for 32 h.

Because only a limited amount of powder from Z15 and the mixed batch {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} was available, both were cryomilled in a Union Process Model 1S attritor which was enclosed in a slightly positive nitrogen pressure environmental chamber. The attritor vessel was loaded in air with 1 kg of mechanically alloyed ODS NiAl powder and ~15 kg of hardened steel grinding media and then fixed in-place in the attritor. After closing the environmental chamber, flow of liquid nitrogen through the cooling jacket of the attritor vessel was initiated. Once the contents of the vessel reached cryogenic temperatures, it was filled with liquid nitrogen to create a nitrogen/grinding media/ NiAl powder slurry, and milling was initiated. During milling liquid nitrogen was continuously circulated through the cooling jacket and was intermittently introduced into the vessel to maintain a constant slurry level. All cryomilling runs were conducted for 4 h; after which the attritor vessel was allowed to warm to room temperature, and the environmental chamber open to the atmosphere. Once the cryomilled power was separated from the grinding media, it was placed in 75 mm diameter superalloy lined steel cans, vacuum sealed and hot extruded at 1505 K with a reduction ratio of 8:1.

With three kg of the IP 6000/1 Z5 being available for use, it was divided into three equal lots. One of these lots was simply vacuum canned in a 75 mm diameter superalloy lined steel can and hot extruded at 1505 K through an 8:1 reduction ratio die. The second lot was cryomilled and hot extruded following the procedures described above. The remaining kg of Z5 was annealed in pure nitrogen gas for 2 h at 1473 K as previous work (ref. 4) had shown that AlN could also be formed on NiAl powder by roasting in N₂. If simple roasting of the ODS NiAl-base powder could provide effective grain boundary strengthening in as-consolidated materials, this would be a much more cost effective procedure than cryomilling. Because of the small capacity of the furnace, multiple roasting runs were required. The chronology of each run consisted of slowly evacuating the furnace which contained 50 to 100 g of MA'ed powder in pure Al₂O₃ crucibles, inducing a 67 kPa pressure of pure nitrogen into the furnace, rapidly

heating to 1473 K in about 900 s, holding the furnace temperature and gas pressure for 2 h, followed by furnace cooling in nitrogen. The product from each of the roasting runs was then blended together, placed in a 75 mm superalloy lined steel can and hot extruded at 1505 K - 8:1.

Following hot extrusion, samples for chemical and X-ray analyses were taken from each extruded bar. The composition of the densified alloys was determined through inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometry for the metallic elements and combustion plus extraction methods for C, N and O.

Cylindrical compression test specimens were directly electrodischarged machined from the hot extruded alloys with the long axis of the cylinders parallel to the extrusion direction. Two samples geometries were utilized: 9 mm diameter by 18 mm long right cylinders for use under multiple constant load or multiple constant velocity conditions and 5 mm diameter by 10 mm long right cylinders for single constant velocity or constant load conditions. All samples were tested in the as-electrodischarged machined surface condition.

Multiple constant load testing was conducted at elevated temperature in air at MPI utilizing self-induction heating of the large test specimen in combination with a servoload cell controlled electromechancial test machine. Temperature was monitored and controlled through Pt/Pt-Rh thermocouples spot welded to the sample, while strain was measured by an alumina high temperature extensometer with a 11 mm gage in direct contact with the sample. During testing output from both the extensometer and load cell were recorded by a multipen strip chart recorder. Each sample was tested under a number of conditions, where both temperature and applied load were varied. In the case of a change in stress at a constant temperature, the applied load was rapidly increased or decreased on the fly; however if temperature were being changed, the stress was first reduced to a small value (a few MPa) to maintain contact between the rams and sample, the sample heated to its new temperature, and once the temperature had equilibrated the stress was rapidly increased to the desired value. Following the conclusion of testing, results were manually extracted from the charts and entered into a spreadsheet for analysis. For purposes of analyzing the flow stress-strain rate-temperature behavior of the materials; the steady state deformation rate and average stress over the steady state regime were utilized as measures of the strain rate and flow stress respectively. A complete description of the experimental setup is given in reference 5.

Several large samples were also subjected to multiple constant velocity testing in a universal testing machine. In all these cases the samples were tested at a constant temperature in air with the initial velocity set a low rate such that a few percent strain could be accumulate over night; the next morning the velocity was then increased an order of magnitude until a few more percent strain were obtained; this procedure was then repeated two more times. Additional constant velocity testing was undertaken with the smaller 5 mm diameter by 10 mm tall test samples. In these cases the samples were compressed in air between 1100 to 1400 K, where each test was conducted to completion under a single crosshead speed. For both the multi- and single constant velocity experiments, the autographically recorded load-time charts were converted to true stresses, strains and strain rate assuming conservation of volume and the offset method. The stress and strain rate at 1 percent deformation following each change in crosshead velocity were utilized as measures of the flow stress and strain rate to determine the temperature-stress-deformation rate behavior of the materials.

A number of the 5 mm diameter by 10 mm tall samples were also tested under constant load compressive creep conditions in lever arm test machines. Deformation was determined as a function of time by measuring the relative positions of ceramic push bars applying a constant load to the specimen (ref. 13). Contraction-time data were normalized with respect to the final specimen length and converted into true stresses and strains. Steady state creep rates and the average stress over the steady state portion of the creep curves were used in the temperature-stress-deformation rate analysis for each material.

RESULTS

As-Densified Materials

<u>Composition/phases</u>.—Intensity-diffraction angle plots from X-ray phase identification analysis of the three different forms of hot extruded IP 6000/1 Z5 have been presented in reference 12. In summary they indicated only NiAl existed in the base ODS alloy; NiAl, AlN and possibly γ were present in the N₂-roasted material; and NiAl, AlN and traces of Al₂O₃ co-existed in the cryomilled version. These data confirmed the expected behavior as a function of processing, where the Y₃Al₅O₁₂ content was too low to be visible by X-ray techniques, and AlN was formed by both simple nitrogen roasting and cryomilling. Based on the X-ray results for cryomilled IP 6000/1 Z5,

it was presumed that cryomilling produced AlN along with some Al_2O_3 in the second lot of IP 6000/1 {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} and in IP 6000/3 {Z15}.

The approximate compositions for all the materials are given in table I, where the matrix chemistry is given in atom percent and the second phase content in volume percent. In these latter calculations all yttria was assumed to react with Al and O to form $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$ during thermomechanical exposure (refs. 1 and 5), while N combined with Al to produce AlN and the remaining O reacted to form alumina.

The alloy chemistries in table I reveal that the chemistry of all the matrices is Ni-rich rather than the originally intended Ni-50Al composition, even in the base form of Z5. This discrepancy is, at least, partially due to the transformation of Y_2O_3 to $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$ and the formation of AlN and Al_2O_3 . Roasting of the IP 6000/1 Z5 in nitrogen for 2 h at 1473 K resulted in a very large nitrogen pick-up (3.4 wt % versus 0.16 wt % after MA) which led to a material with almost 18 vol % AlN in a very Al-deficient NiAl matrix. The amount of AlN formed during a 4 h cryomilling run of IP 6000/1 Z5 was less than half that produced by the N₂-roast; as a result the matrix of cryomilled IP 6000/1 Z5 contains more Al. The second phase content of cryomilled IP 6000/1 {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} is in good agreement with that obtained for cryomilled IP 6000/1 Z5; however the Fe level in the matrix of {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} is twice that of Z5. The $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$ content of cryomilled IP 6000/3 Z15 is three times those of cryomilled IP 6000/1 Z5 and {Z12+Z13+Z6/1}; this large difference in $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$ content was expected, since Z15 was initially mechanically alloyed with a 3 wt % yttria addition while Z5 and {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} were MA'ed with only 1 wt % Y_2O_3 .

<u>Microstructure</u>.—Light optical photomicrographs of the hot extruded N_2 -roasted and cryomilled forms of IP 6000/1 Z5 have been presented in reference 12. The general appearance of these materials was similar and was composed of regions with dense concentrations of second phase particles surrounding regions which appeared to be devoid of particles. The particle-free regions had rectangular to flake-like cross sections and a cigar-like shape parallel to the extrusion axis, where these regions were more numerous and larger after N_2 -roasting than after cryomilling. In addition some of the larger particle free-regions in the N_2 -roasted ODS alloy were partially composed of γ '; this phase was not found in either the base ODS version nor in the cryomilled version of IP 6000/1 Z5. Comparison of the two secondarily processed materials also indicated that the concentration of second phases in the particle-rich areas was greater in N_2 -roasted ODS alloy than the cryomilled version. Light optical examination of the as-extruded base IP 6000/1 Z5 revealed a structure which is similar to that for the N_2 -roasted ODS alloy, except the contrast between the particle-rich regions and the particle-deficient regions was lower due to the much lesser AlN + Al₂O₃ content (table I).

Transmission electron microscopy of all three forms of IP 6000/1 Z5 was also reported in reference 12. This work indicated that the basic as-extruded ODS alloy possessed small grains about 1 μ m in diameter which were slightly elongated in the extrusion direction and second phase particles that generally lie in linear arrays parallel to the elongated grain boundaries. Study of the N₂-roasted IP 6000/1 Z5 after hot extrusion indicated that within the particle-rich regions small, irregular shaped submicron grains were decorated by ~150 nm AlN particles. The particle-rich regions of the cryomilled IP 6000/1 Z5 revealed an equiaxed ~1 μ m grain structure. While examination of this form revealed a few linear arrays of particles; on a whole, the particles seem to be more evenly distributed in the cryomilled IP 6000/1 Z5 than those in the base alloy. Analysis of the second phases found in all three version of 6000/1 Z5 indicated the presence of Y₃Al₅O₁₂, AlN and Al₂O₃.

Because IP 6000/1 {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} and IP 6000/3 Z15 were mechanically alloyed, cryomilled and densified in a similar manner to IP 6000/1 Z5, the microstructure of hot extruded, cryomilled {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} and Z15 should be nearly identical to that of hot extruded, cryomilled Z5.

Elevated temperature Compressive Properties

Some preliminary 1300 K compressive test results have been reported in reference 12 on all three forms of IP 6000/1 Z5. All the mechanical property testing results for cryomilled IP 6000/3 and all versions of the two IP 6000/1 alloys are given in the following and compared to one another as well as other NiAl-based alloys. For simplicity the various test results will be presented for each individual alloy/form rather than being grouped by test method.

<u>IP 6000/1 Z5.</u>—The results for multiple constant load compressive tests conducted in an electromechanical test machine at MPI on hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1 Z5 are given in figures 1 to 5, where parts (a) give the true compressive stress as a function of time, and parts (b) present the true compressive strain as a function of time. Testing was undertaken at each combination of temperature and stress until a steady state or a near steady state deformation rate was obtained. A listing of the temperature-stress-deformation rate data extracted from the multi-

temperature/stress tests is presented in table A-I(a). The order, running from top to bottom, for each specimen in this list reflects the actual order of testing. In terms of observed mechanical properties, all testing resulted in normal behavior, where the rate of deformation increased as the applied stress and/or temperature was increased.

The true compressive stress-strain curves obtained under multiple constant velocity conditions on hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1 Z5 are presented in figure 6 for 1200 K (fig. 6(a)), 1300 K (fig. 6(b)) and 1400 K (fig. 6(c)) testing. The flow strengths and deformation rates for each specimen and imposed constant velocity conditions are listed in table A-I(b). Behavior of the samples tested under multiple constant velocity conditions followed general expectations, where an increase in imposed cross head speed resulted in an increased resistance to deformation. For about half the sets of velocity-temperature conditions, continued flow occurred at a more or less constant stress; in the other cases, strain softening took place after a maximum stress was reached: i.e., the fastest rate of deformation at 1200 K (fig. 6(a)), 1300 K (fig. 6(b)) and 1400 K (fig. 6(c)).

Figure 7 presents the flow stress-temperature-strain rate results for hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1 Z5 at 1200 K (fig. 7(a)), 1300 K (fig. 7(b)) and 1400 K (fig. 7(c)), where data taken from each individual multiple temperature-constant load specimen are identified by their sample number and data from the multiple constant velocity samples are identified by the label "MCV." By visible inspection there does not appear to be any disagreement in the results from different multiple constant load samples nor does there seem to be any discrepancy between the two test methods. This latter contention was tested using linear regression techniques in combination with a dummy variable, where no statistical significant difference could be found between the two procedures. All the flow stress (σ) - strain rate ($\dot{\epsilon}$) data were joined at each temperature (T) and fitted to a simple power law,

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = A\sigma^n$$
 (1)

where A is a constant and n is a stress exponent, by linear regression techniques. The results of the fits are given by the lines in each part of figures 7(a) to (c) and the fit parameters, coefficient of determination, R_d^2 , and standard deviation for the stress exponent, δ_n are given in table II(a). These fits describe the data reasonably well.

Figure 7(d) presents all the flow stress-strain rate data obtained for hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1 Z5 between 1200 and 1400 K and the curves represent the fit obtained utilizing a temperature compensated power law, where

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = B\sigma^n \exp\frac{(-Q)}{RT}$$
⁽²⁾

with B being a constant, Q being the activation energy for deformation and R being the universal gas constant. Values for B, n, Q and standard deviations for the stress exponent and activation energy (δ_Q) are give in table II(b). Based on visual inspection and the coefficient of determination, a temperature compensated power law can successfully describe the properties of hot extruded IP 6000/1 Z5.

<u>N₂-roasted Z5</u>.—Five large compression samples of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z5 were tested between 1200 and 1450 K under multiple constant load conditions in the MPI electromechancial test machine, and the resultant stresstime and creep strain-time curves are presented in figures 8 to 12. A listing of the temperature-stress-deformation rate data extracted from the multi-temperature/stress tests is presented in table A-II(a). Additionally several large compression specimens of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z5 were tested under multiple constant velocity conditions at 1300 K (fig. 13(a)) and 1400 K (fig. 13(b)), and the appropriate flow strength and deformation rates are listed in table A-II(b). Examination of the multiple constant load (figs. 8 to 12) and multiple constant velocity (fig. 13) results for hot extruded, N₂-roasted Z5 indicates that the behavior is similar to that for the simple hot extruded ODS version of Z5 (figs. 1 to 5 and fig. 6, respectively); however N₂-roasting did produce a stronger material.

During preparation of one large N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z5 sample (Z5-N-3) for multiple constant load testing, it fractured into two 9 mm diameter by ~9 mm long pieces while a thermocouple was being welded to it. As these two pieces still contained representative N₂-roasted material, five smaller compression samples (4 mm diameter by 8 mm long, length parallel to the extrusion axis) were successfully edm machined from broken halves. All these smaller specimens were tested with the as-edm'ed surface finish, where three of the five were tested under a single constant velocity condition (6.35×10^{-6} mm/s) at 1200, 1300 and 1400 K, respectively and the other two specimens were compression creep tested at 1200 and 1300 K. The stress-strain diagrams from constant velocity compression testing are presented in figure 14(a), while figure 14(b) illustrates the compressive creep curves. The

temperature-stress-deformation rate data from these two test procedures are given tables A-II(c,d). Comparison of the results in figure 14 to those obtained under different testing conditions and specimen geometry (figs. 8 to 13) indicates that similar behavior was obtained.

The flow stress-temperature-strain rate results for N_2 -roasted, hot extruded Z5 at 1200, 1300 and 1400 K are presented in figures 15(a) to (c) respectively, where data taken from (1) each individual multiple constant load specimen is identified by its sample number {"1" to "6"}, (2) multiple constant velocity samples are distinguished by the label "MCV," (3) single value constant velocity specimens are denoted by the label "CV," and finally the compressive creep samples are identified by the label "CL." While some scatter does exist, inspection of these results does not reveal any bias for one test method over another. All the flow stress-strain rate data for each temperature were joined and fitted to a simple exponential law (eq. (3)), since significant curvature was found utilizing power law representations, where C is a constant by linear regression techniques. The results of the fits are

$$\dot{\varepsilon} = A \exp(C\sigma)$$
 (3)

given by the lines in each part of figures 15(a) to (c) and the fit parameters and standard deviation for the constant (δ_{C}) are given in table III(a).

Figure 15(d) presents all the flow stress-strain rate data obtained for N_2 -roasted, hot extruded Z5 between 1200 and 1450 K, where the curve for the 1200 K was taken from figure 15(a) while the curves representing the 1300 to 1450 K fit were obtained utilizing a temperature compensated exponential law:

$$\dot{\epsilon} = B \exp(C\sigma) \exp\frac{(-Q)}{RT}$$
 (4)

with C being a constant. Values for B, C, Q and standard deviations for the stress constant and activation energy (δ_i) are given in table III(b). Based on visual inspection and the coefficient of determination, a temperature compensated exponential law is able to describe the 1300 to 1450 K data for N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z5 reasonably well.

<u>Cryomilled Z5.</u>—True compressive stress-strain diagrams obtained on 5 mm diameter by 10 mm tall samples of cryomilled, hot extruded Z5 tested under single constant velocity conditions between 1100 and 1400 K are given in figures 16(a) to (d). The vast majority of curves display a steady state like behavior, where continued flow after ~1 percent strain occurred at a more or less constant stress. Several cryomilled, hot extruded Z5 specimens were also tested under constant load compressive creep conditions, and the resultant curves are illustrated in figure 16(e), and they displayed normal behavior. A listing of the temperature-stress-deformation rate data extracted from the single constant velocity testing and constant load creep testing of cryomilled, hot extruded Z5 is presented in table A-III(a,b), respectively.

Flow stress-strain rate-temperature data for cryomilled, hot extruded Z5 are presented in figure 17, where the solid symbols represent data taken from constant velocity testing (figs. 16(a) to (d)) and the open symbols signify the creep test (fig. 16(e)) results. The values were fitted to a simple power law (eq. (1)) at each temperature, and the deformation parameters from these fits are given in table II(a). Because the stress exponents for cryomilled, hot extruded Z5 at 1100 and 1200 K are much higher than those estimated at 1300 and 1400 K (table II(a)); use of a temperature compensated power law analysis (eq. (2)) was only deemed reasonable for the highest temperature results, where the stress exponents are nearly equal. The results from this latter regression fit are presented in table II(b), where this analysis did not include data from either the 1300 K – 30 MPa compressive creep test or the 1400 K constant velocity test at ~2×10⁻⁷ s⁻¹. With the exception of these two particular points, all the predicted regression curves describe the experimental flow stress-strain rate-temperature values well as can be visualized by the curves in figure 17 which illustrate individual fits (eq. (1)) of the 1100 and 1200 K results and the combined fit (eq. (2)) of the 1300 and 1400 K data. These curves also reveal that there is little, if any, difference among the results obtained by either the constant velocity or creep test method; this behavior was confirmed through statistical testing using a dummy variable.

<u>Cryomilled Z12+Z13+Z6/1</u>.—True compressive stress-strain diagrams for cryomilled, hot extruded $\{Z12+Z13+Z6/1\}$ compressed under single constant velocity conditions between 1200 and 1400 K are given in figures 18(a) to (c), and the temperature-flow stress-deformation rate data extracted from these tests are listed in table A-IV(a). Basically all the stress-strain curves (fig. 18(a) to (c)) illustrate continued flow at an approximately constant stress level after work hardening through the initial ~1 percent strain. Three constant load compressive

creep tests were also undertaken on cryomilled, hot extruded {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} specimens. The strain-time plots for each of these experiments are shown in figure 18(d), and the descriptive test conditions are given in table A-IV(b). The creep curves reveal normal first and second stage behavior.

Figure 19 presents the flow stress-strain rate-temperature data for cryomilled, hot extruded $\{Z12+Z13+Z6/1\}$, where the constant velocity test data (figs. 18(a) to (c)) are given as the solid symbols and the creep test (fig. 18(d)) results are characterized by open symbols. In addition to simple power law (eq. (1)) fits at each temperature, a temperature compensated power law (eq. (2)) fit was performed on the 1300 to 1400 K data. The lines in figure 19 represent the individual fit at 1200 K and the combined fit of the 1300 and 1400 K values; all deformation parameters from the regression analyses are given in table II. Based on visual inspection of the data and regression curves in figure 19, it can be seen that the results from constant velocity testing are consistent with those from constant load creep testing. Furthermore the regression coefficients in table II and the regression fits in figure 19 demonstrate that power laws are capable of precisely describing the deformation behavior of cryomilled, hot extruded $\{Z12+Z13+Z6/1\}$.

<u>Cryomilled Z15.</u>—True compressive stress-strain diagrams obtained on 5 mm diameter by 10 mm tall samples of cryomilled, hot extruded Z15 tested under single constant velocity conditions between 1200 and 1400 K are given in figures 20(a) to (c). While the curves do display a steady state like behavior, this regime only occurs after work hardening during the initial 2⁺ percent strain. As such, the operable range of strain for work hardening in cryomilled, hot extruded Z15 is at least twice that demonstrated by either cryomilled, hot extruded Z5 (figs. 16(b) to (c)) or {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} (figs. 18(a) to (c)). Due to this difference, flow stress and strain rate for each constant velocity experiment were evaluated at 3 percent strain {instead of 1 percent strain} in order to utilize the full strength potential of cryomilled, hot extruded Z15; a listing of the appropriate temperature-flow strength-strain rate data is given in table A-V(a). Several cryomilled, hot extruded Z15 specimens were also tested under constant load compressive creep conditions, and the resultant curves, which displayed normal behavior, are illustrated in figure 20(d). The numerical data for the constant load creep tests are presented in table A-V(b).

Flow stress-strain rate-temperature data for cryomilled, hot extruded Z15 are shown in figure 21, where the solid symbols represent data taken from constant velocity testing (figs. 20(a) to (c)) and the open symbols signify the creep test results (fig. 20(d)). The values were fitted to simple power (eq. (1)) and exponential (eq. (3)) laws at each temperature. While both laws yielded fits which could describe the results, the exponential stress dependency was slightly better; thus the exponential law parameters are given in table III(a) and the lines characterizing each fit are shown in figure 21. Although the individual 1200 and 1300 K fits were very good with very small standard deviations for the stress constant C (table III(a)), it was felt that the stress constants were sufficiently close to one another that a temperature compensated exponential law (eq. (4)) fit could be used to roughly determine an activation energy for deformation. The parameters from the 1200 to 1300 K fit for cryomilled, hot extruded Z15 are given in table III(b).

Comparison of $\dot{\epsilon} - \sigma$ - T behavior

<u>ODS NiAl</u>.—The most extensive set of data on an as-densified ODS NiAl was collected by Grahle (ref. 5) on IP 6002 (table I) produced with a 2 wt % addition of yttria during mechanical alloying and densified by Hot Isostatic Pressing (HIP). The resultant 0.9 μ m grain size alloy was then tested in air at 1200 and 1300 K under multiple constant stress conditions at MPI. Grahle's results along with those for hot extruded IP 6000/1 Z5 (fig. 7(d)) are shown in figure 22, where the open symbols are the results from Z5 and the solid symbols are from IP 6002. Within the common range of strain rate at each temperature the mechanical properties for both forms of ODS NiAl are very similar. In reality, testing for differences between these two materials through a dummy variable in combination with equation (1) indicated that IP 6002 was slightly stronger than hot extruded Z5 at 1200 K; however at 1300 K both possessed equivalent strengths. Thus it can be concluded that the present hot extruded IP 6000/1 Z5 has elevated temperature compressive properties which are essentially equivalent to other heats of ODS NiAl.

For completeness the deformation parameters utilizing power law (eq. (1)) and temperature compensated power law (eq. (2)) fits of IP 6002 are give in table II, where the fits involving the 1300 K results were restricted to strain rates $\leq 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

<u>Three Forms of Z5</u>.—The true compressive flow stress-strain rate-temperature behavior for IP 6000/1 Z5, which had been simply hot extruded; roasted in nitrogen and then hot extruded; or cryomilled and hot extruded, is compared in figure 23. Since each part of figure 23 is in a logarithm strain rate-logarithm stress format which

derives from equations (1) and (2), the behavior of N₂-roasted Z5 shows curvature because this material follows exponential laws (eqs. (3) and (4), fig. 15(d)). In terms of strength both cryomilling and N₂-roasting have significantly improved the deformation resistance in comparison to the base ODS NiAl alloy at 1200 (fig. 23(a)) 1300 (fig. 23(b)) and 1400 K (fig. 23(c)), and it is also clear that N₂-roasting is more effective than cryomilling at faster strain rates and/or lower temperatures. The advantage of N₂-roasting over cryomilling is less certain under prolonged high temperature creep conditions (1300 and 1400 K – $\dot{\epsilon} < 10^{-7}$ s⁻¹ in figs. 23 (b) and (c)), where the curvature exhibited by N₂-roasted suggests weakening at lower stress levels.

Three Lots of Cryomilled ODS NiAl.—Figure 24 presents the true compressive flow stress-strain rate behavior of the three different lots of cryomilled ODS NiAl at 1200 (fig. 24 (a)), 1300 (fig. 24(b)), and 1400 K (fig. 24(c)). Again due to the power law format in this figure, one alloy (Z15) displays curvature since it appears to more closely follow an exponential stress dependency. While it is possible to go through the results and argue that one particular lot had a strength advantage over the other two lots under some conditions (for example: $\{Z12+13+Z6/1\}$ is stronger than either Z5 or Z15 at 1200 K (fig. 24(a)), while Z15 is stronger than either Z5 or $\{Z12+13+Z6/1\}$ at 1400 K between 10^{-5} and 10^{-6} s⁻¹, figure 24(c)), examination of all the data does not show an overriding superiority for any one of the three cryomilled ODS NiAl's. Therefore for all practical purposes, all three current versions of cryomilled ODS NiAl have about the same compressive elevated temperature creep properties which is, most likely, a simple reflection of their nominally 8 vol % AlN content (table I).

<u>Cryomilled ODS NiAl versus Cryomilled NiAl</u>.—The primary purpose of this study was to determine if the internal strengthening mechanisms supplied by oxide dispersion strengthening could be superimposed with the grain boundary strengthening effects of cryomilling. Unfortunately, this hope was not realized as can be seen in figure 25 which compares the true compressive flow stress-strain rate properties of the present lots of cryomilled ODS NiAl with ~8 vol % AlN to those of a cryomilled binary NiAl with a similar amount of AlN (46.5Al-0.1Fe-Ni + 8.1 vol % AlN + 1.2 vol % Al₂O₃ + 0.5 vol % Y₂O₃)¹ (ref. 11). While the 1100 K compressive properties (fig. 25(a)) of cryomilled binary NiAl and Z5 are close to being equal, at 1200 and 1300 K (figs. 25(b) and (c)) the cryomilled NiAl is much stronger than the oxide dispersion strengthened NiAl which had been cryomilled. Therefore, at least, the first attempt to combine dispersion strengthening and cryomilling in NiAl was not successful.

DISCUSSION

Although this work failed to demonstrate that two independent elevated temperature strengthening mechanisms could be successfully combined in NiAl, a number of secondary aims were achieved. First, it can be seen that the cryomilling process, itself, was reproducible, as the procedures employed in this study resulted in essentially equal AlN contents (table I) and nearly equivalent the flow stress-strain rate-temperature properties for the two lots of ODS NiAl IP 6000/1 (Z5 and {Z12+Z13+Z6/1}, fig. 24). Second, a number of different measurement techniques were employed to determine the flow stress-strain rate-temperature behavior, and all the methods yielded identical properties. For example, four different test methods were used on N_2 -roasted, hot extruded Z5 samples, and they all produced an alike flow stress-strain rate-temperature response (figs. 15(a) to (c)). The procedures included two which measured the load in response to an imposed strain rate (single constant velocity testing and multiple constant velocity testing) and two which measured the strain rate in response to imposed load (single stress constant load creep testing and multiple constant load creep testing). Experiments on the other materials also indicated that a variety of test methods would produce equivalent mechanical properties: for example multiple constant load creep and multiple constant velocity testing of hot extruded IP 6000/1 Z5 (figs. 7(a) to (c)), and single constant velocity testing and single constant load creep testing of cryomilled, hot extruded Z5, {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} and Z15 (figs. 17, 19 and 21, respectively). Thus, it can be concluded that at least for the current materials, equations (1) to (4) can be manipulated from either side of the relationships.

The experiments also indicate that the amount of dispersoid does not greatly affect the elevated temperature compressive behavior (fig. 24), since both alloys with about 2 vol % $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$ (table I) are nearly as equally strong as cryomilled Z15 which possesses ~6 vol % $Y_3Al_5O_{12}$. In terms of matrix chemistry (table I), the almost 3 percent difference in Fe content among Z5 and Z15 compared to {Z12+Z13+Z6/1} was surprising. Clearly based on the

¹This alloy was produced by cryomilling prealloyed NiAl powder with an 0.5 wt % yttria addition which improves the oxidation behavior (ref. 2). Study (ref. 8) of the densified material under a transmission electron microscope did not reveal any evidence that the yttria was dispersed uniformly throughout the NiAl matrix.

matrix compositions for the base and cryomilled version of Z5, cryomilling introduces Fe into the alloy; however neither cryomilled Z5 nor Z15 have as much Fe as cryomilled $\{Z12+Z13+Z6/1\}$. The only reasonable explanation lies in the iron content of the original mechanically alloyed ODS NiAl powders, since other work has shown as much as ~2 at % Fe in lots of IP 6000/1 (ref. 1) and IP 6002 (ref. 5) compared to the present heat (Z5) of IP 6000/1 (table I).

Mechanical testing of all three forms of Z5 (fig. 23) indicates that the N_2 -roasted Z5 is stronger than cryomilled Z5 which, in turn, is stronger than the base ODS NiAl alloy. Clearly the increased strength after cryomilling is due to the formation of AlN and changes in microstructure (ref. 12). Most probably the additional strength of the N_2 -roasted Z5 is due to its higher AlN content (table I), since recent work (ref. 14) has demonstrated that the elevated temperature strength of cryomilled NiAl increases with the square root of the volume fraction of AlN. While the AlN morphology after N_2 -roasting is not the same as that found after cryomilling (150 nm AlN particles after N_2 -roasting (ref. 12) compared to 25 nm particles after cryomilling (ref. 10)), the 2⁺ factor difference in AlN content between the N_2 -roasted and cryomilled versions of Z5 (table I) is probably the overriding factor.

While simple N₂-roasting appears to give a very strong alloy (fig. 23), in reality the strength of N₂-roasted Z5 is considerably less than that expected in a properly cryomilled NiAl with 17.5 vol % AlN. This can be seen in figure 26 which contrasts the 1300 K flow strength-strain rate behavior of cryomilled NiAl containing from 2.7 to 30.4 vol % AlN (ref. 14) with the properties of N₂-roasted Z5 (fig. 23(b)). Even though this material has 17.6 percent AlN (table I), its strength is clearly inferior to that of a cryomilled binary NiAl with 8.4 vol % AlN. Part of this discrepancy could be due to a difference in matrix composition, since it has been shown that at 1300 K Al-deficient NiAl's (Ni-37/40Al) are weaker than NiAl's with Al contents exceeding 44 at % (refs. 15 and 16). However we believe that the major factor causing relative weakness in N₂-roasted Z5 is the large size of AlN (~150 nm, (ref. 12)) in this alloy. Prior work (refs. 1, 10 and 14) has shown that the excellent elevated temperature strength in cryomilled NiAl is due to mantle regions are missing in the N₂-roasted material (ref. 12).

In addition to demonstrating that the strength of N₂-roasted Z5 does not follow expectations, figure 26 also indicates that cryomilled Z5 with 8.2 percent AlN is much weaker than expected; in fact cryomilled Z5 is only slightly stronger than a cryomilled binary NiAl with 2.7 vol % AlN. Again, part of this strength difference could be due to the lower Al level of the matrix for cryomilled Z5 (42Al) in comparison to the Ni~47Al matrices for the 2.7 to 30.4 vol % AlN alloys. Secondly, the short term (4 h) cryomilling of the current ODS NiAl materials (Z5, Z15 and {Z12+13+Z6/1} resulted in nitrogen contents ranging from ~1.5 to 1.9 wt %; such levels are at least twice the amount of nitrogen pickup that was expected based on our previous cryomilling experiments with binary prealloyed NiAl powder in either 01HD (ref. 17) or 1S (ref. 18) attritors. The enhanced nitrogen content could simply be the result of cryomilling a very fine powder {median as-ODS powder particle size was <1 μ m, (ref. 6)} in comparison to much larger (>60 μ m diameter, (ref. 11)) prealloyed NiAl powders. It is also possible that the as-ODS powder was more reactive during cryomilling and this resulted in a different AlN morphology. If, for example, a more "active" ODS NiAl powder leads to larger than usual AlN sizes, this will result in a weakened material (refs. 2, 14 and 19). A more complete understanding of the relative weakness of cryomilled ODS NiAl will require in-depth studies of the transmission level microstructure of the as-extruded material and perhaps the as-cryomilled powder.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

A study has been undertaken with NiAl in an attempt to superimpose oxide dispersion strengthening (ODS) mechanisms with those induced by cryomilling. Three different lots of yttria hardened, mechanically alloyed NiAl powder were cryomilled in liquid nitrogen to introduce AlN particles at the grain boundaries. Chemical analysis revealed that the ODS alloys could be successfully cryomilled, and all three lots contained about 8 vol % AlN. Following hot extrusion, the materials were compression tested between 1100 and 1400 K, and all three lots displayed similar elevated temperature strength properties. While the cryomilled ODS NiAl alloys were stronger than hot extruded ODS NiAl, cryomilled ODS NiAl was not as strong as a cryomilled NiAl containing a like amount of AlN. Hence the initial attempt to superimpose ODS and cryomilling strengthening mechanisms in NiAl was not successful. Lastly, as an alternative to cryomilling, it was reconfirmed that high temperature roasting of NiAl powder in nitrogen would also form AlN. Although the N₂-roasted NiAl was relatively strong, its strength appeared to be much less than a cryomilled NiAl with the same amount of AlN.

APPENDIX

The following tables document the temperature-flow stress-strain rate data gathered by different testing procedures for analysis of temperature dependent, time dependent strength properties of the various materials. For simplicity the results are grouped by testing procedure.

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TABLE A-I—TEMPERATURE-FLOW STRESS-STRAIN RATE DATA FOR HOT EXTRUDED ODS NIAI ALLOY IP 6000/1

(a)	Results from	multiple te	emperature-constant
	load	compressive	e testing

Specimen	Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,
D	ĸ	MPa	s ⁻¹
Z5-1	1200	88.4	1.26×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-1	1300	14.64	6.56×10 ⁻⁸
Z5-1	1300	24.14	4.50×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-1	1300	33.27	3.38×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-1	1400	9.32	1.85×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-1	1400	18.19	1.83×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-2	1200	29.8	1.28×10 ⁻⁸
Z5-2	1200	58.8	2.27×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-2	1400	6.1	2.23×10 ⁻⁸
Z5-2	1400	12.65	1.56×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-2	1400	27.33	2.31×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-3	1300	10.3	2.06×10 ⁻⁸
Z5-3	1300	19.79	1.13×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-3	1400	12.91	2.65×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-3	1400	22.49	6.37×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-4	1200	74.58	2.83×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-4	1200	99.25	1.27×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-4	1300	26.98	3.00×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-4	1300	38.4	4.39×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-4	1300	54.92	3.76×10⁻⁵
Z5-5	1200	45.46	1.06×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-5	1200	78.34	2.93×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-5	1400	6.7	1.15×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-5	1400	12.17	4.42×10 ⁻⁷

(b) Results from multiple constant velocity compressive testing

Specimen	Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,
D	K	_ MPa	\$ ⁻¹
Z5-8	1200	70.4	7.26×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-8	1200	101.2	7.43×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-8	1200	139.4	7.75×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-8	1200	195.1	8.00×10 ⁻⁴
Z5-6	1300	34.1	1.21×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-6	1300	51.9	1.28×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-6	1300	73.4	1.36×10 ⁻⁴
Z5-6	1300	114.3	1.45×10 ⁻³
Z5-7	1400	17.8	1.22×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-7	1400	27.8	1.29×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-7	1400	38.4	1.39×10 ⁻⁴
Z5-7	1400	59.2	1.45×10 ⁻³

TABLE A-II.—TEMPERATURE-FLOW STRESS-STRAIN RATE DATA FOR N₂-ROASTED, HOT EXTRUDED Z5

a)	Results	from	multiple	temperature-constant
		load a	compress	ive testing

	Specimen	Temperature.	Stress.	Strain rate.
	D	ĸ	MPa	s ⁻¹
	Z5-N-1	1300	49.71	2.81×10 ⁻⁷
	Z5-N-1	1300	73.92	6.55×10^{-7}
	Z5-N-1	1300	99.12	2.14×10 ⁻⁶
,	Z5-N-1	1300	147.57	9.95×10 ⁻⁶
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	Z5-N-2	1300	34.82	1.63×10 ⁻⁸
	Z5-N-2	1300	49.6	3.23×10 ⁻⁸
1	Z5-N-2	1300	73.65	3.08×10 ⁻⁷
	Z5-N-2	1300	149.97	3.50×10 ⁻⁵
	Z5-N-4	1400	34.46	5.87×10 ⁻⁷
	Z5-N-4	1400	24.96	1.09×10 ⁻⁷
	Z5-N-4	1400	48.79	6.29×10 ⁻⁷
	Z5-N-4	1400	72.03	2.93×10 ^{−6}
-	Z5-N-4	1400	94.62	1.05×10 ⁻⁵
	Z5-N-4	1450	14.59	2.43×10 ⁻⁷
	Z5-N-5	1200	100.07	6.52×10 ⁻¹⁰
	Z5-N-5	1200	173.73	1.59×10 ⁻⁸
	Z5-N-6	1400	15.1	2.55×10 ^{−8}
	Z5-N-6	1400	30.32	7.46×10 ^{−8}
	Z5-N-6	1400	39.67	1.08×10 ⁻⁷
	Z5-N-6	1400	77.62	9.90×10⁻ ⁷

(b) Results from multiple constant velocity compressive testing

Specimen	Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,
<u> </u>	N.	IVII A	3
Z5-N-7	1300	100.5	7.58×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-N-7	1300	148.4	7.74×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-N-7	1300	170	7.93×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-N-7	1300	1 93 .4	8.1×10 ⁻⁴
Z5-N-8	1400	57.9	6.36×10 ⁻⁷
Z5-N-8	1400	96.2	6.48×10 ⁻⁶
Z5-N-8	1400	123.8	6.67×10 ⁻⁵
Z5-N-8	1400	138.5	6.8×10 ⁻⁴

(c) Results from single constant velocity compressive testing

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Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,	
K	MPa	s ⁻¹	
1200	199.7	7.27×10 ⁻⁷	
1300	106	7.03×10 ⁻⁷	
1400	51.7	7.11×10 ⁻⁷	

(d) Results from constant load compressive creep testing

Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,
K	MPa	s ⁻¹
1200	146.6	1.27×10 ⁻⁸
1300	34.8	3.31×10 ⁻⁹
1300	49.6	1.02×10 ⁻⁸

TABLE A-III.—TEMPERATURE-FLOW STRESS-STRAIN RATE DATA FOR CRYOMILLED, HOT EXTRUDED Z5

(a) Results from single constant

velocity compressive testing			
Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,	
K	MPa	s ⁻¹	
1100	219.4	9.66×10 ⁻⁸	
1100	244.0	1.35×10 ⁻⁶	
1100	287.0	2.07×10 ⁻⁵	
1100	330.8	2.18×10 ⁻⁴	
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1200	130.2	1.84×10 ⁻⁷	
1200	152.9	1.35×10 ⁻⁶	
1200	189.3	2.20×10 ⁻⁵	
1200	216.8	2.28×10 ⁻⁴	
1200	297.8	2.25×10 ⁻³	
1300	62.7	1.94×10 ⁻⁷	
1300	80.9	1.15×10 ⁻⁶	
1300	113.0	2.26×10 ⁻⁵	
1300	142.5	2.30×10 ⁻⁴	
1300	172.6	2.15×10 ⁻³	
1400	25.6	1.85×10 ⁻⁷	
1400	42.2	1.30×10 ⁻⁶	
1400	52.5	3.72×10 ⁻⁶	
1400	67.7	2.13×10 ⁻⁵	
1400	88.5	2.28×10 ⁻⁴	
1400	108.2	2.10×10 ⁻⁴	

(b) Results from constant load

compressive creep testing mperature. Stress. Strain rate

Temperature,	Sucss,	Strain rate,
K	MPa	s-1
1200	98.1	8.76×10 ⁻⁹
1300	49.8	3.37×10 ⁻⁸
1300	47.7	1.51×10 ⁻⁸
1300	26.7	5.26×10 ⁻⁹
1400	53.9	5.14×10 ⁻⁶
1400	47.0	9.14×10 ⁻⁷
1400	33.0	8.55×10 ⁻⁸

TABLE A-IV.—TEMPERATURE-FLOW STRESS-STRAIN RATE DATA FOR CRYOMILLED, HOT EXTRUDED {Z12+Z13+Z6/1}

(a) Results from single constant velocity compressive testing

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Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,	
К	MPa	s ⁻¹	
1200	253.1	2.31×10^{-4}	
1200	212.2	2.33×10 ⁻⁵	
1200	179.7	1.65×10⁻⁰	
1200	142.3	2.08×10^{-7}	
1300	148.4	2.08×10 ⁻⁴	
1300	128.9	2.15×10 ⁻⁵	
1300	94.5	1.61 × 10 ⁻⁶	
1300	60.9	2.08×10 ⁻⁷	
1400	87.6	1.97×10 ⁻⁴	
1400	61.6	1.71×10 ⁻⁵	
1400	47.3	1.56×10 ⁻⁶	

(b) Results from constant load

compressive creep testing			
Temperature, K	Stress, MPa	Strain rate, s ⁻¹	
1200	121.4	2.53×10 ⁻⁸	
1300	48.3	2.40×10 ⁻⁸	
1400	29.0	2.52×10 ⁻⁸	

TABLE A-V.—TEMPERATURE-FLOW STRESS-STRAIN RATE DATA FOR CRYOMILLED, HOT EXTRUDED Z15

(a) Results from single constant velocity compressive testing

Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,
ĸ	MPa	s ⁻¹
1200	241.7	2.28×10 ⁻⁴
1200	196.3	1.86×10 ⁻⁵
1200	166.4	1.69×10 ⁻⁶
1200	131.1	1.84×10 ⁻⁷
1300	150.1	2.07×10 ⁻⁴
1300	126.7	2.06×10 ⁻⁵
1300	95.8	1.50×10 ⁻⁶
1300	72.4	1.81×10 ⁻⁷
1400	90.2	2.13×10 ⁻⁴
1400	75.9	1.80×10 ⁻⁵
1400	56.1	1.47×10 ⁻⁶
1400	38.0	2.63×10 ⁻⁷

(b) Results from constant load

compressive creep testing						
Temperature,	Stress,	Strain rate,				
K	MPa	s ⁻¹				
1200	98.2	1.03×10 ⁻⁸				
1200	96.4	1.15×10 ⁻⁸				
1300	48.1	2.08×10^{-8}				
1400	28.6	4.20×10 ⁻⁸				

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AND VOLUME FRACTIONS OF SECOND PHASES						
Alloy	Matrix			Second phases		
	Al	Fe	Ni	Y ₃ Al ₅ O ₁₂	AIN	Al_2O_3
	Ator	n, per	rcent	Volu	me per	rcent
			Z5'	1		
Base	45.0	0.6	54.2	2.2	0.9	3.0
N ₂ -roasted	38.3	0.7	60.9	2,2	17.6	2.4
Cryomilled	41.9	2.3	55.5	2.1	8.2	3.8
		{Z12	+ Z13	+ Z6/1} ^a		
Cryomilled	44.2	4.9	50.3	2.4	25	
Z15 ª						
Cryomilled	42.7	1.9	54.5	6.9	8.0	0.7
IP 6002 (ref. 5)						
Hip'ed	46.7	2.0	51.3	4.6	0.2	

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Matrix also contains small amounts (<0.1 at %) of C, Cr, Co, and Mn.

TABLE II.--POWER LAW DESCRIPTIONS OF THE FLOW STRESS-STRAIN RATES FOR SEVERAL FORMS OF IP 6000/1 AND IP 6000/3

D	Temperature,	А,	n	R_d^2	δ
	K	s ⁻¹			
IP 6000/1 Z5	1200	1.25×10^{-17}	5.98	0.975	0.32
	1300	1.15×10 ⁻¹⁵	4.80	.969	.27
	1400	4.27 × 10 ⁻¹²	4.61	.949	.32
Cryomilled	1100	1.09×10^{-50}	18.4	0.999	1.13
Z5	1200	3.09×10 ⁻³²	11.7	.989	.62
	1300	3.20×10^{-23}	8.77	.994	.31
	1400	3.33×10^{-20}	8.18	.985	.41
Cryomilled	1200	7.75×10 ⁻³⁴	12.2	0.993	0.62
{Z12+Z13+Z6/1}	1300	8.38×10 ⁻²¹	7.40	.970	.75
,	1400	2.92×10^{-20}	8.19	.998	.29
IP 6002 (ref. 5)	1200	1.22×10^{-18}	6.32	0.998	0.18
	1300	7.45×10 ⁻¹⁷	6.73	.985	.41

(a) Constant temperature power law fits

(b) Temperature compensated power law fits

ID	Temperature	В,	n	Q,	R_d^2	δ_n	δ _Q ,
	regime,	s ⁻¹		kJ/mol			kJ/mol
	к						
IP 6000/1 Z5	1200 to 1400	1.45×10^{7}	4.96	507.5	0.953	0.19	28.7
Cryomilled Z5	1300 to 1400	9.21×10 ⁴	8.53	671.9	0.989	0.26	36.2
Cryomilled	1300 to 1400	9.65×10°	7.73	689.4	0.980	0.45	67.7
{Z12+Z13+Z6/1}							
IP 6002 (ref. 5)	1200 to 1300	7.49×10 ¹⁴	6.62	767.0	0.988	0.28	42.6

TABLE III.-EXPONENTIAL LAW DESCRIPTIONS OF THE FLOW STRESS-STRAIN RATES FOR $\rm N_2$ -ROASTED, HOT EXTRUDED Z5 AND CRYOMILLED, HOT EXTRUDED Z15

(a) Constant temperature exponential law fits R_d^2 ID Temperature, С δ_C Α \mathbf{s}^{1} ĸ 1200 8.58×10⁻¹³ 0.064 0.900 0.015 N2-roasted Z5 9.93×10⁻¹⁰ .947 .005 1300 .067 1400 9.31×10-9 .074 .961 .005 0.002 0.070 0.995 Cryomilled Z15 1200 1.44×10^{-1} 2.77×10⁻¹⁰ 1300 .090 .999 .001 1.17×10-9 .007

(b) Temperature compensated exponential law fits

1400

.990

.131

D	Temperature regime,	B , s ⁻¹	Ċ	Q, kJ/mol	R _d ²	δ _n	δ _Q , kJ/m ol
N ₂ -roasted Z5	1300 to 1450	1.90×10 ⁸	0.069	432.4	0.95	0.003	44.9
Cryomilled Z15	1200 to 1300	1.50×10^{18}	0.076	675.4	0.985	0.003	48.9



Figure 1.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1: specimen Z 5-1. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given in Table A-I (a).



Figure 2.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1: specimen Z 5-2. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given in Table A-I (a).



Figure 3.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1: specimen Z 5-3. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given in Table A-I (a).



Figure 4.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of hot extruded ODS NiAI alloy IP 6000/1: specimen Z 5-4. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given in Table A-I (a).







Figure 6.—True compressive stress-strain curves from multiple constant velocity testing of hot extruded ODS NiAI alloy IP 6000/1 Z 5 in an universal test machine. (a) 1200 K where the crosshead velocities were increased in order from 1.27x⁻⁵, 1.27x⁻⁴, 1.27x⁻³ to 1.27x⁻² mm/s; (b) 1300 K and (c) 1400 K where the crosshead velocities were increased in order from 2.12x⁻⁵, 2.12x⁻⁴, 2.12x⁻³ to 2.12x⁻² mm/s. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are listed in Table A-I (b).



Figure 7.—Power law (a-c) and temperature compensated power law (d) representations of the multiple constant load and multiple constant velocity results for hot extruded ODS NiAl alloy IP 6000/1 Z 5 at (a) 1200 K, (b) 1300 K, (c) 1400 K and (d) 1200-1400 K. The labels "1" through "5" in Parts a, b, c refer to the individual specimens tested under multiple temperature-constant load conditions, while the label "MCV" signify results from multiple constant velocity testing at a single temperature.



Figure 8.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z 5: specimen Z 5-N-1. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given in Table A-II (a).



Figure 9.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z 5: specimen Z 5-N-2. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given Table A-II (a).



Figure 10.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z 5: specimen Z 5-N-4. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given Table A-II (a).



Figure 11.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z 5: specimen Z 5-N-5. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given Table A-II (a).



Figure 12.—True compressive stress (a) and true compressive strain (b) as a function of time from multiple temperature-constant load compressive testing of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z 5: specimen Z 5-N-6. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given Table A-II (a).



Figure 13. —True compressive stress-strain curves determined by multiple constant velocity of N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z 5 at (a) 1300 K where the crosshead velocities were increased in order from $1.27x^{-5}$, $1.27x^{-4}$, $1.27x^{-3}$ to $1.27x^{-2}$ mm/s and (b) 1400 K where the crosshead velocities were increased in order from $1.06x^{-5}$, $1.06x^{-4}$, $1.06x^{-3}$ to $1.06x^{-2}$ mm/s. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate for each portion of the experiment are given Table A-II (b).







Figure 15.—Exponential law (a-c) and temperature compensated exponential law (d) representations of the flow stress-strain rate-temperature results for N₂-roasted, hot extruded Z 5 at (a) 1200 K, (b) 1300 K, (c) 1400 K and (d) 1200-1450 K. The labels "1 through 6" in Parts (a, b, c) refer to the individual specimens tested under multiple constant load conditions; "CL" indicates a compressive creep test under a constant load; "MCV" signifies samples compressed under multiple constant velocity conditions; and "CV" refers to the result from a single constant velocity test.



Figure 16.—True compressive stress-strain curves from single value constant velocity testing at (a) 1100 K,
(b) 1200 K, (c) 1300 K and (d) 1400 K and (e) true compressive creep curves as a function of test temperature and engineering stress for cryomilled, hot extruded Z 5. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate from each experiment are given Tables A-III (a, b).



Figure 17.—True compressive flow stress-strain rate-temperature results for cryomilled, hot extruded Z 5. The solid symbols represent constant velocity results and the open symbols signify the creep test data.



Figure 18.—True compressive stress-strain curves from single value constant velocity testing at (a) 1200 K, (b) 1300 K, (c) 1400 K and (d) true compressive creep curves as a function of test temperature and engineering stress for cryomilled, hot extruded {Z 12 + Z 13 + Z 6/1}. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate from each experiment are given Tables A-IV (a, b).







Figure 20.—True compressive stress-strain curves from single value constant velocity testing at (a) 1200 K, (b) 1300 K, (c) 1400 K and (d) true compressive creep curves as a function of test temperature and stress for cryomilled, hot extruded Z 15. The test temperature, flow stress and deformation rate from each experiment are given Tables A-V (a, b).











Figure 23.—Comparison of the true compressive flow stress-strain rate results for the three forms of hot extruded Z 5 at (a) 1200 K, (b) 1300 K and (c) 1400 K.



Figure 24.—Comparison of the true compressive flow stress-strain rate results for the three lots of cryomilled, hot extruded ODS NiAI at (a) 1200 K, (b) 1300 K and (c) 1400 K.



Figure 25.—Comparison of the true compressive flow stress-strain rate results for cryomilled ODS NiAI and cryomilled NiAI (ref. 11) at (a) 1100 K, (b) 1200 K and (c) 1300 K. Both cryomilled alloys contain ~8 vol % AIN.





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