



High Temperature Degradation of Advanced Thermal and Environmental Barrier Coatings (TEBCs) by CaO-MgO-Al₂O₃-SiO₂ (CMAS)

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Outline of Presentation

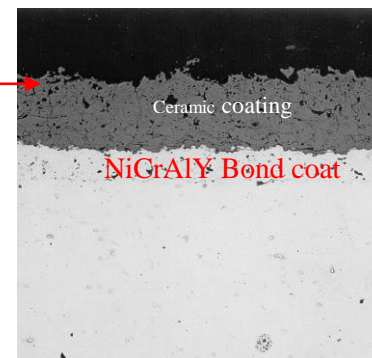
- Thermal and Environmental Barrier Coating Systems
- Experimental
 - Sample preparation and reaction with CMAS
- Results
 - Thermodynamic modeling of YSZ-CMAS system
 - Characterization:
 - 1 - Pristine NASA composition CMAS by XRD, ICP-OAS and DSC
 - 2 - CMAS reacted with the hollow tube coating specimens by SEM-EDS and XRD
- Summary

Thermal and Environment Barrier Coating Developments

Baseline ZrO_2 -(7-8)wt% Y_2O_3 and Rare Earth Doped-Low Conductivity Thermal Barrier Coating Systems - Continued

Baseline ZrO_2 -(7-8) wt% Y_2O_3 :

- Relatively low intrinsic thermal conductivity ~ 2.5 W/m-K
- High thermal expansion to better match superalloy substrates
- Good high temperature stability and mechanical properties
- Additional conductivity reduction by micro-porosity



Low Conductivity Defect Cluster Thermal Barrier Coatings

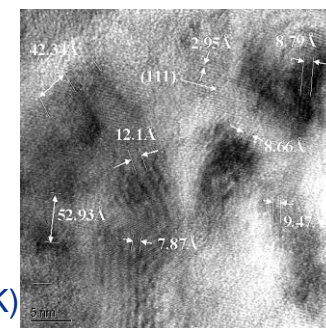
- Multi-component oxide defect clustering approach

e.g.: ZrO_2/HfO_2 - Y_2O_3 - Nd_2O_3 (Gd_2O_3 , Sm_2O_3)- Yb_2O_3 (Sc_2O_3) systems

Primary stabilizer

Oxide cluster dopants with distinctive ionic sizes

- Defect clusters associated with dopant segregation
- The 5 to 100 nm size defect clusters for significantly reduced thermal conductivity (0.5-1.2 W/m-K) and improved stability
- Advanced TEBC systems for Ceramic Matrix Composites use the low k based compositions



Plasma-sprayed ZrO_2 -(Y, Nd, Yb) $_2O_3$

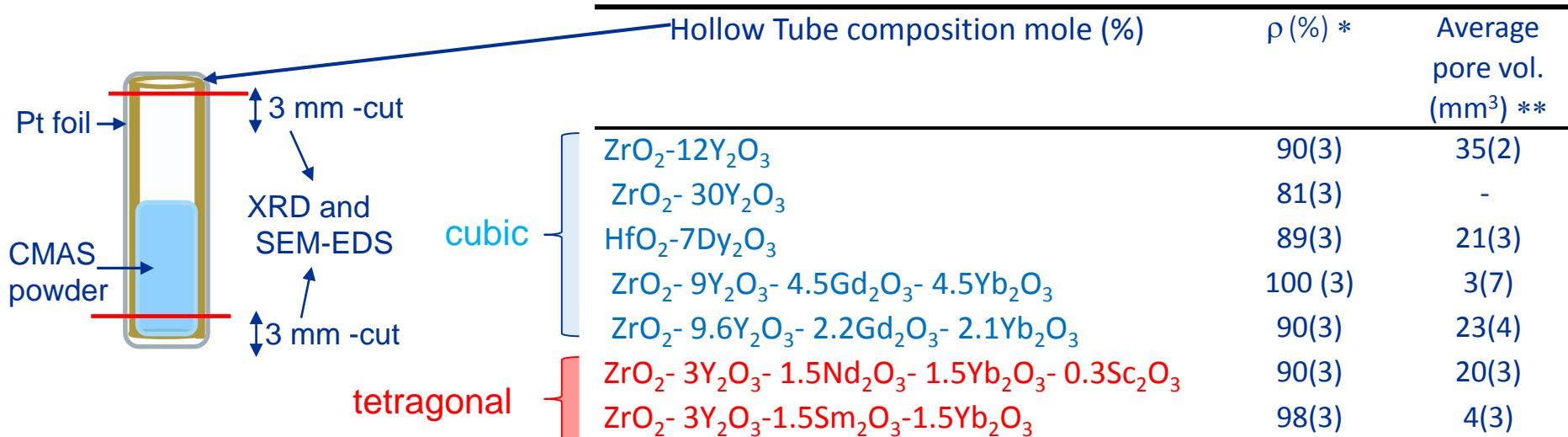
TEBCs-CMAS Degradation is of Concern with Increasing Operating Temperatures



Experimental: sample preparation and heat treatment

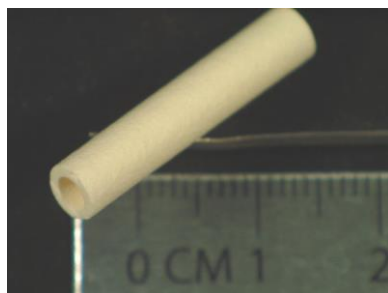


- Air plasma sprayed coating (0.030" thickness) specimens on to 1/8" diameter graphite bar substrates then 1500 °C, 5 h sintering, resulting hollow tubes.
- NASA composition CMAS used for reaction at 1300 ° C for 5h.



*($\rho_{\text{geometric}} \cdot 100 / \rho_{\text{He}}$). ** $\rho_{\text{geometric}} - \rho_{\text{He}}$.

(1:10 CMAS to sample mass ratio, concentration of 70-150 mg/cm²)



(A)



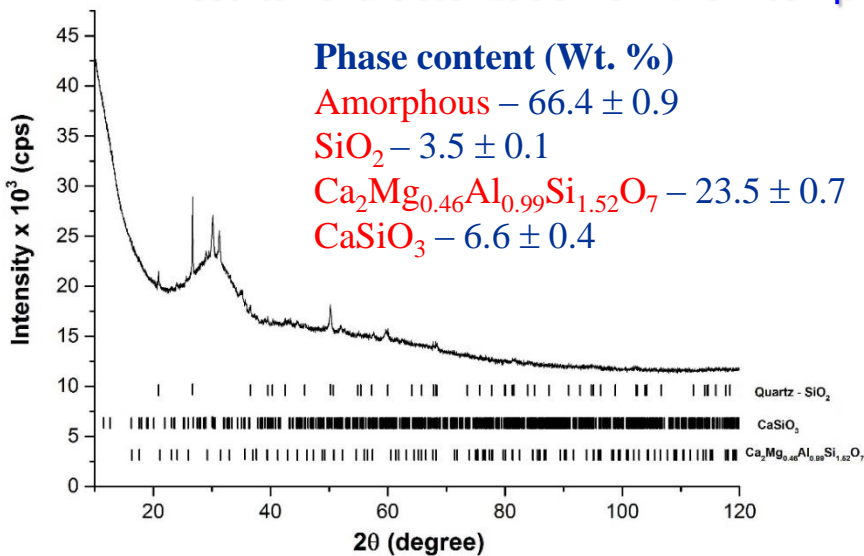
(B)



(C)

Hollow 12YSZ tube samples: (A) pristine; (B) before heat treatment in which it was half filled with CMAS powder, wrapped and sealed with Pt foil; (C) after heat treatment at 1310 °C for 30 min and unwrapped.

Results: characterization of NASA composition CMAS (as processed) before reaction

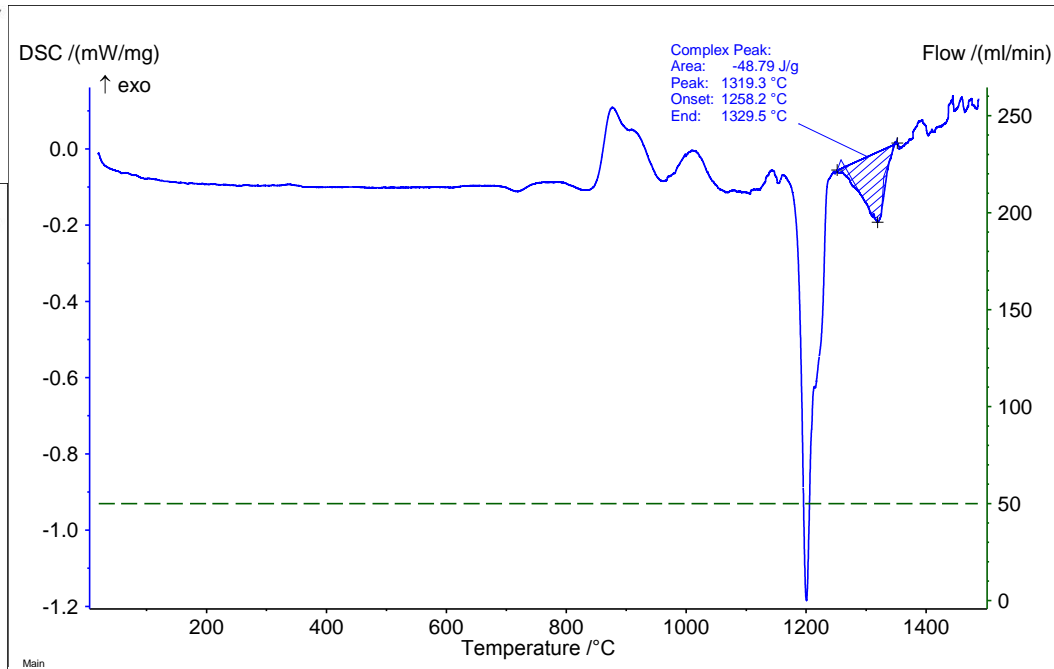
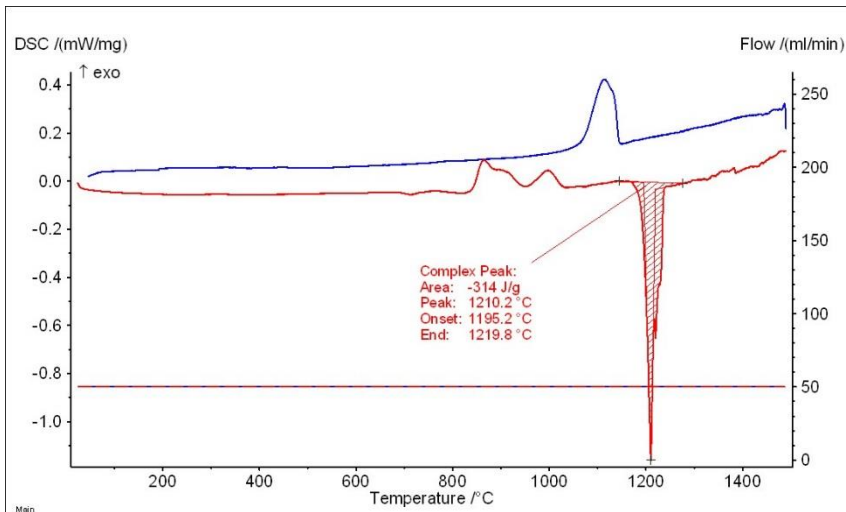


Chemical analysis of the as-received NASA CMAS by ICP-OAS

Element	Amount (wt. %)	±
Ca	21	1
Mg	3.1	0.2
Al	6.1	0.3
Si	19	1
Fe	5.9	0.3
Ni	1.10	0.06

Trace elements found but not quantified are
Ba, Cr, Cu, K, Mn, Na, Sr, Ti, Zr

X-ray diffraction patterns of the as-received CMAS sample.

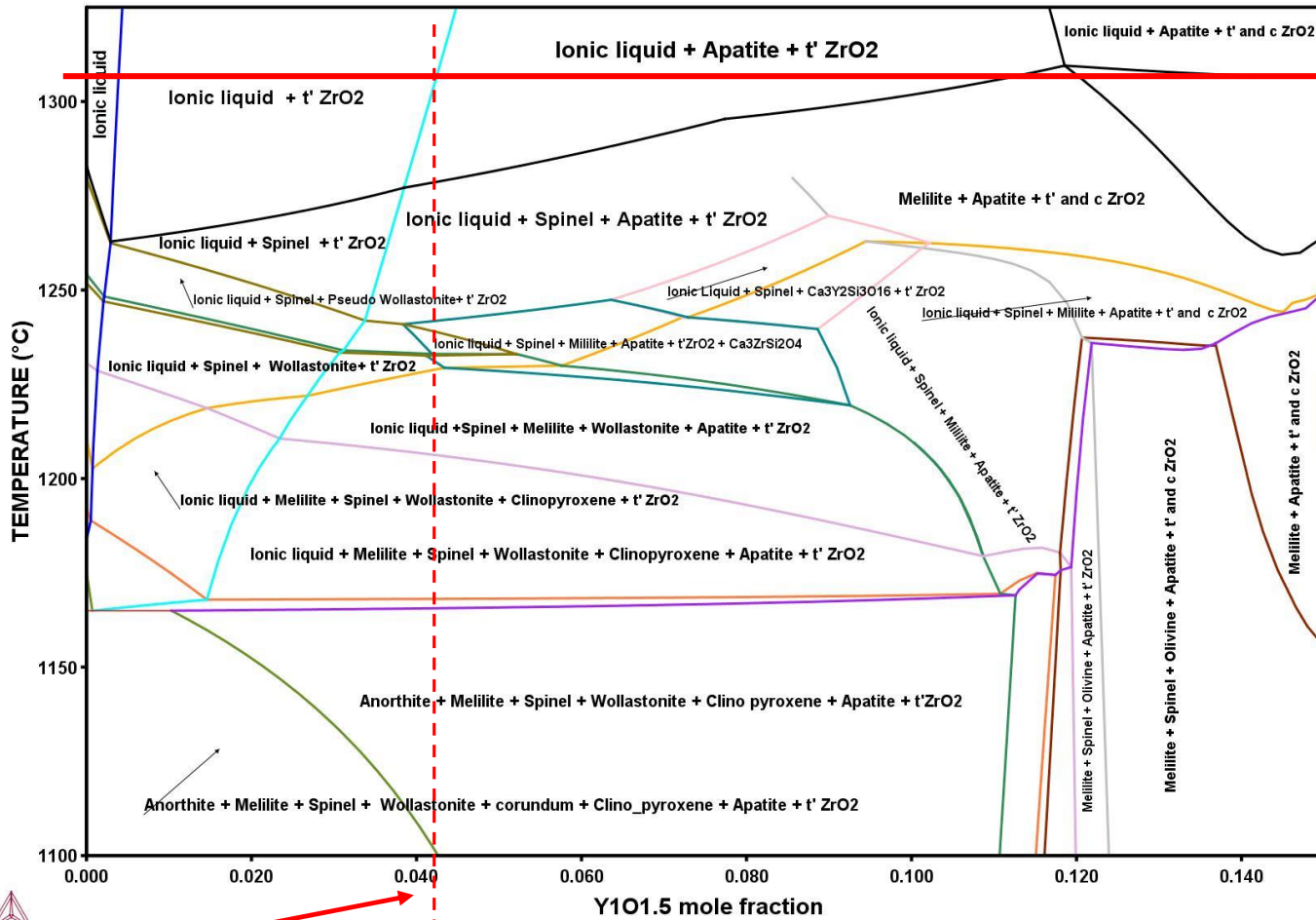


DSC traces of CMAS mixed with 18YSZ (1:2 mass ratio) during
heating up to 1500 °C at
5 °C/min.

DSC traces of CMAS during heating and cooling up to
1500 °C at 5 °C/min.



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 TCOX6: AL01.5, CAO, MGO, SiO2, Y1O1.5, ZRO2, NiO, FE01.5, O
 P=1.01325E5, N=1, .35*(MGO)-8*(CAO)=1.97196E-11, 8*(AL01.5)-7*(MGO)=-6.67894E-12, 46*(AL01.5)-7*(SiO2)=-3.62195E-11, 45*(FE01.5)-7*(SiO2)=3.35021E-12, 3*(NiO)-X(FE01.5)=-2.72796E-13, 82*(Y1O1.5)-18*(ZRO2)=-2.43381E-13, ACR(O)=1



Reaction T of the experiments

Calculated phase diagram of CMS-YSZ system.

Input oxide amounts

Component	Mole
CaO	35
MgO	8
Al ₂ O ₃	7
SiO ₂	45
Fe ₂ O ₃	3
NiO	1
ZrO ₂	82
Y ₂ O ₃	18

8 mol% Y₂O₃

2.3 mol% Y₂O₃
 Baseline TBC

Output:
 T - 1316.85 °C

Fluoride

Component	Mol
CaO	1.7e-2
MgO	2.5e-3
FeO _{1.5}	1.7e-7
AlO _{1.5}	1e-3
NiO	4.4e-3
SiO ₂	3.0e-5
ZrO ₂	8.9e-1
Y ₁ O _{1.5}	8.4e-2

ZrO₂_tetragonal

Component	Mol
CaO	8.1e-3
MgO	5.1e-5
FeO _{1.5}	8.6e-8
NiO	3.8e-3
ZrO ₂	9.7e-1
Y ₁ O _{1.5}	1.8e-2

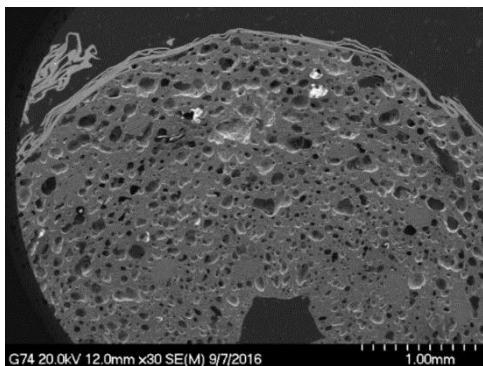
Apatite

Component	Mol
CaO	1.1e-1
MgO	2e-4
SiO ₂	2.7e-1
Y ₁ O _{1.5}	6.2e-1

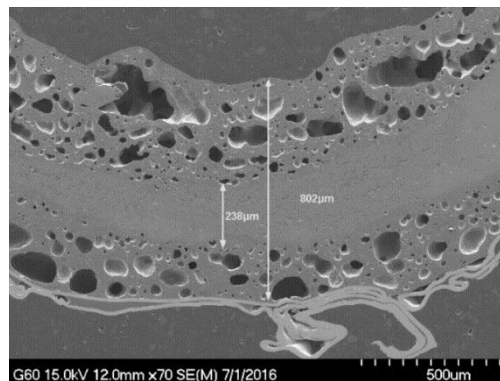
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Component	Mol
CaO	2.8e-1
MgO	9.3e-2
SiO ₂	3.8e-1
FeO _{1.5}	9.3-1
NiO	2.2e-2
ZrO ₂	2.7e-2

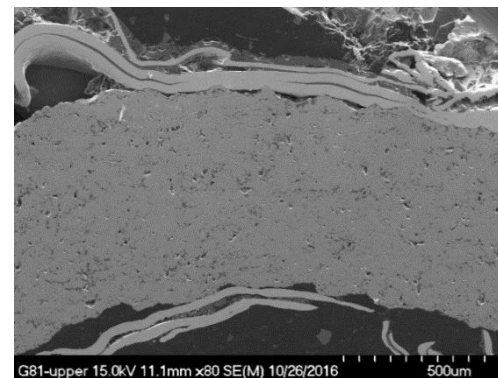
Results: SEM cross-section images at low magnification (lower cut section)



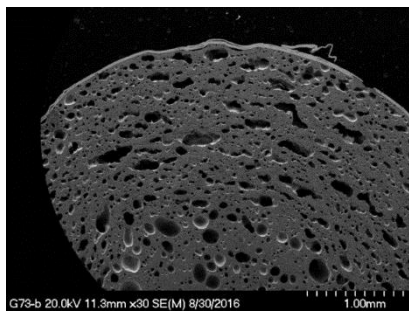
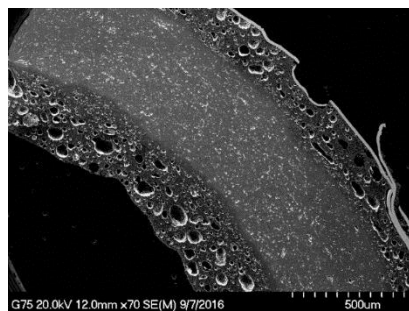
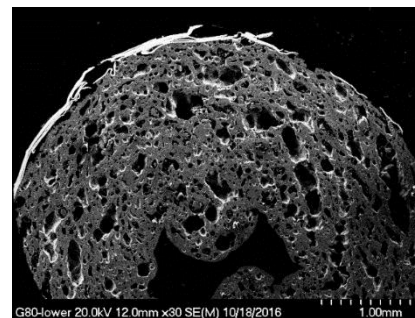
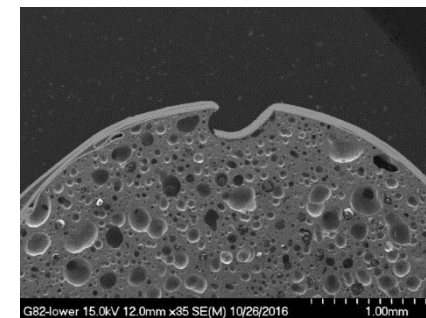
12YSZ



30YSZ

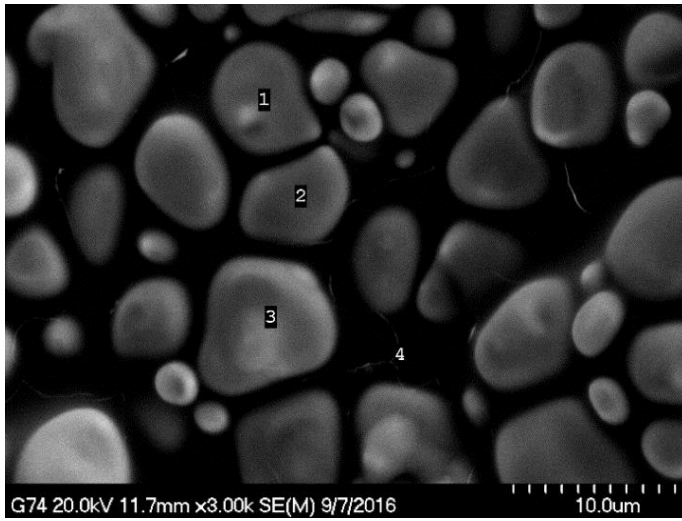


7DySH

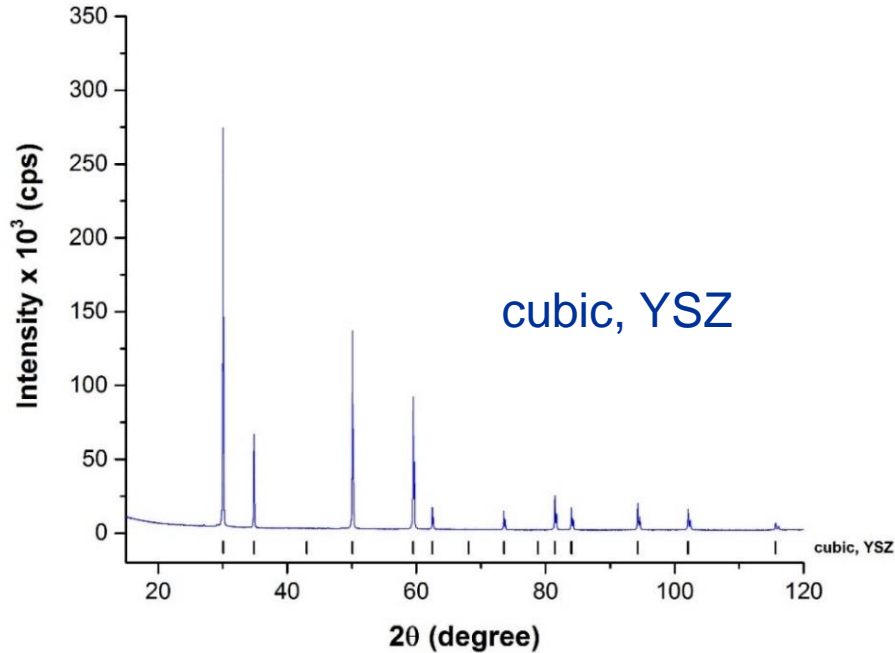

 $\text{ZrO}_2\text{-}9.0\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}4.5\text{Gd}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}4.5\text{Yb}_2\text{O}_3$

 $\text{ZrO}_2\text{-}9.6\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}2.2\text{Gd}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}2.1\text{Yb}_2\text{O}_3$

 $\text{ZrO}_2\text{-}3.0\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}1.5\text{Sm}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}1.5\text{Yb}_2\text{O}_3$

 $\text{ZrO}_2\text{-}3.0\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}1.5\text{Nd}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}1.5\text{Yb}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}0.3\text{Sc}_2\text{O}_3$

SEM cross – sectional electron images of the lower section of the ceramic hollow tube samples reacted with CMAS at 1300 °C for 5 h.

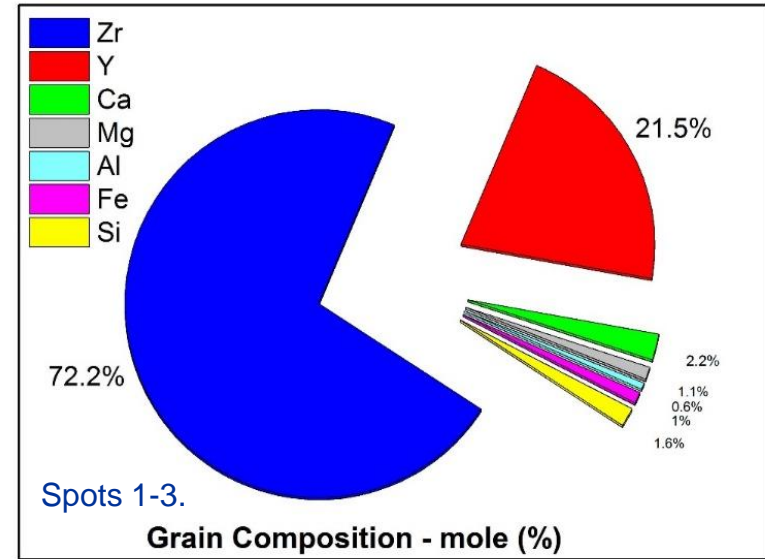
Results: 12YSZ lower section of the hollow tube reacted with CMAS.



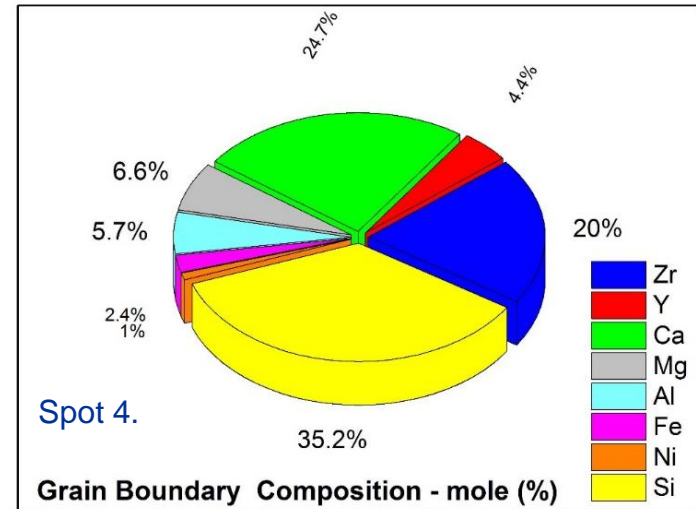
SEM image of (reacted region) at high magnification.



XRD pattern of the ground hollow tube.

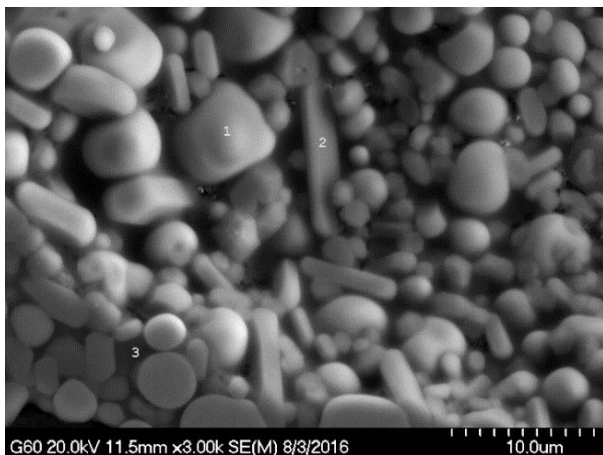
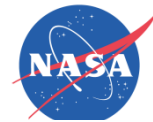


Grains 1-3	ZrO ₂	Y ₂ O ₃
Nominal mole (%)	88	12
EDS mole (%)	81 (1)	11.9(2)

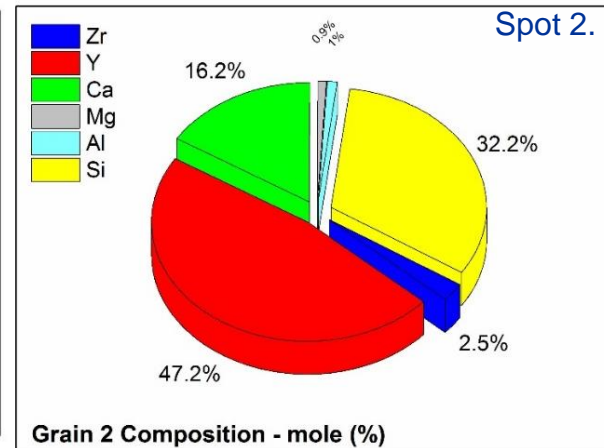
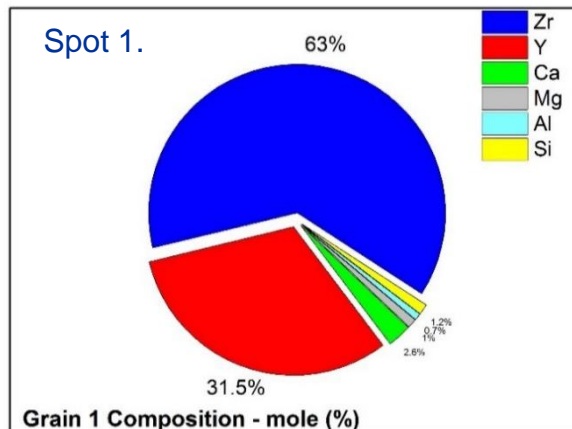


Elemental content from EDS.

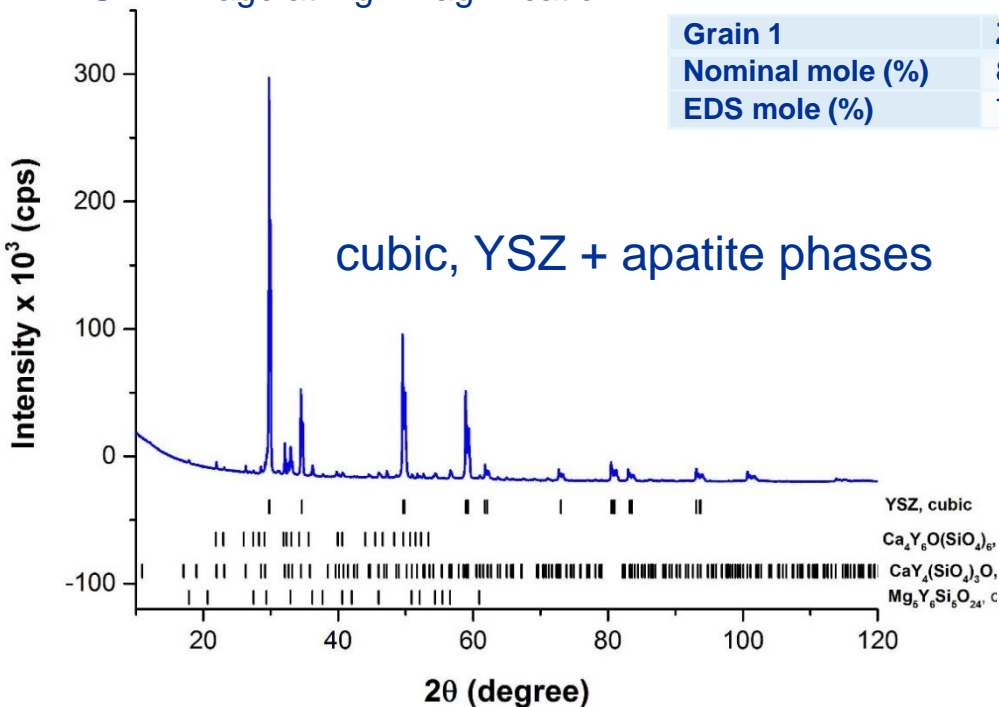
Results: 30YSZ lower section of the hollow tube reacted with CMAS.



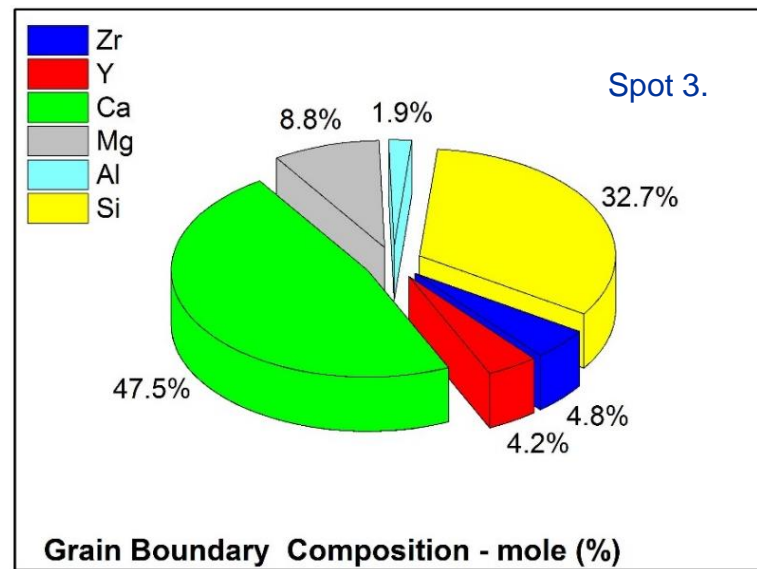
SEM image at high magnification.



Grain 1	ZrO ₂	Y ₂ O ₃
Nominal mole (%)	81	18
EDS mole (%)	75(2)	19(1)

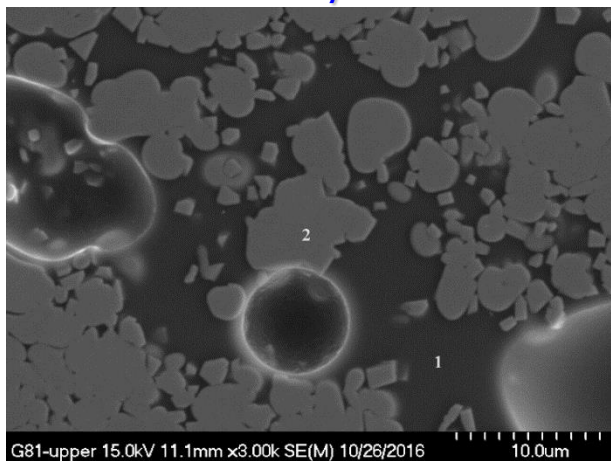


X-ray diffraction of the ground hollow tube.

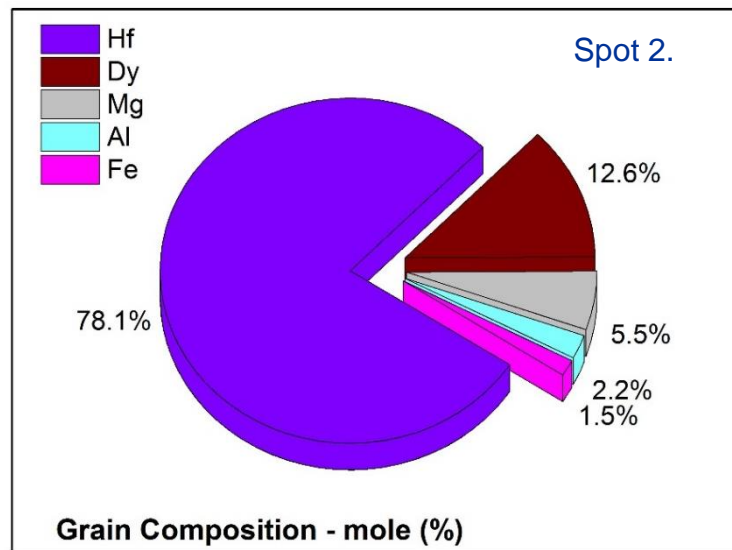


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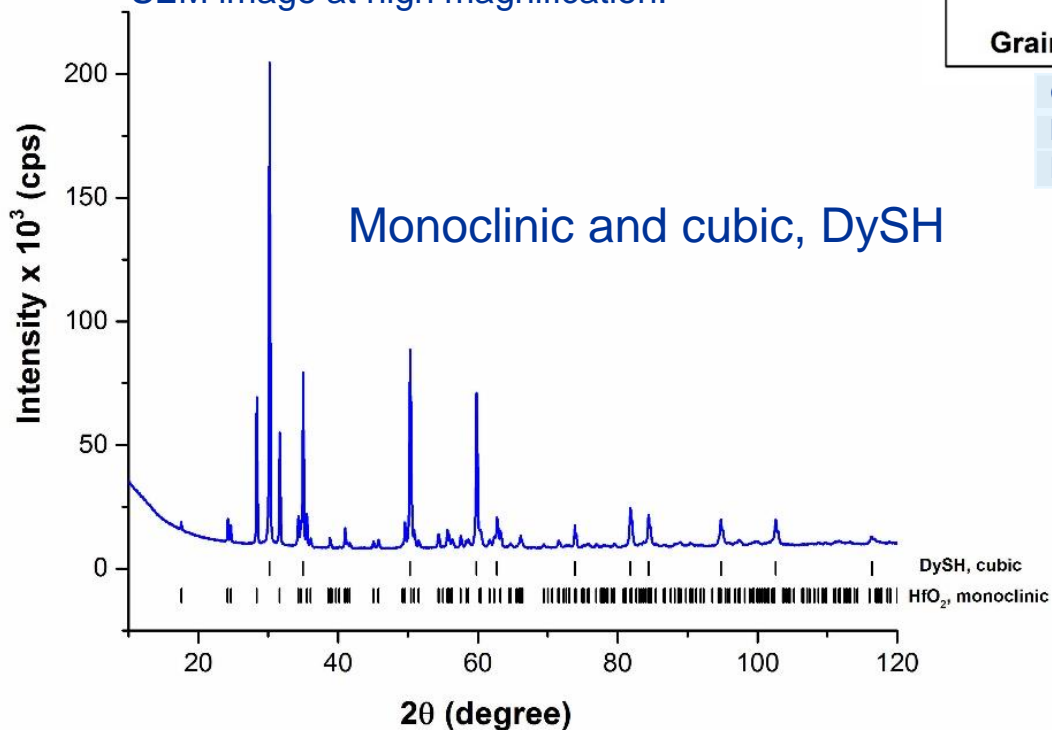
Results: 7DySH lower section of the hollow tube reacted with CMAS.



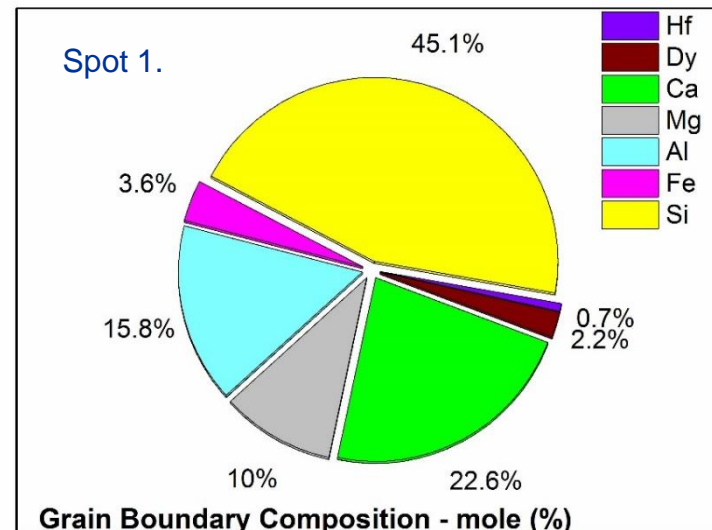
SEM image at high magnification.



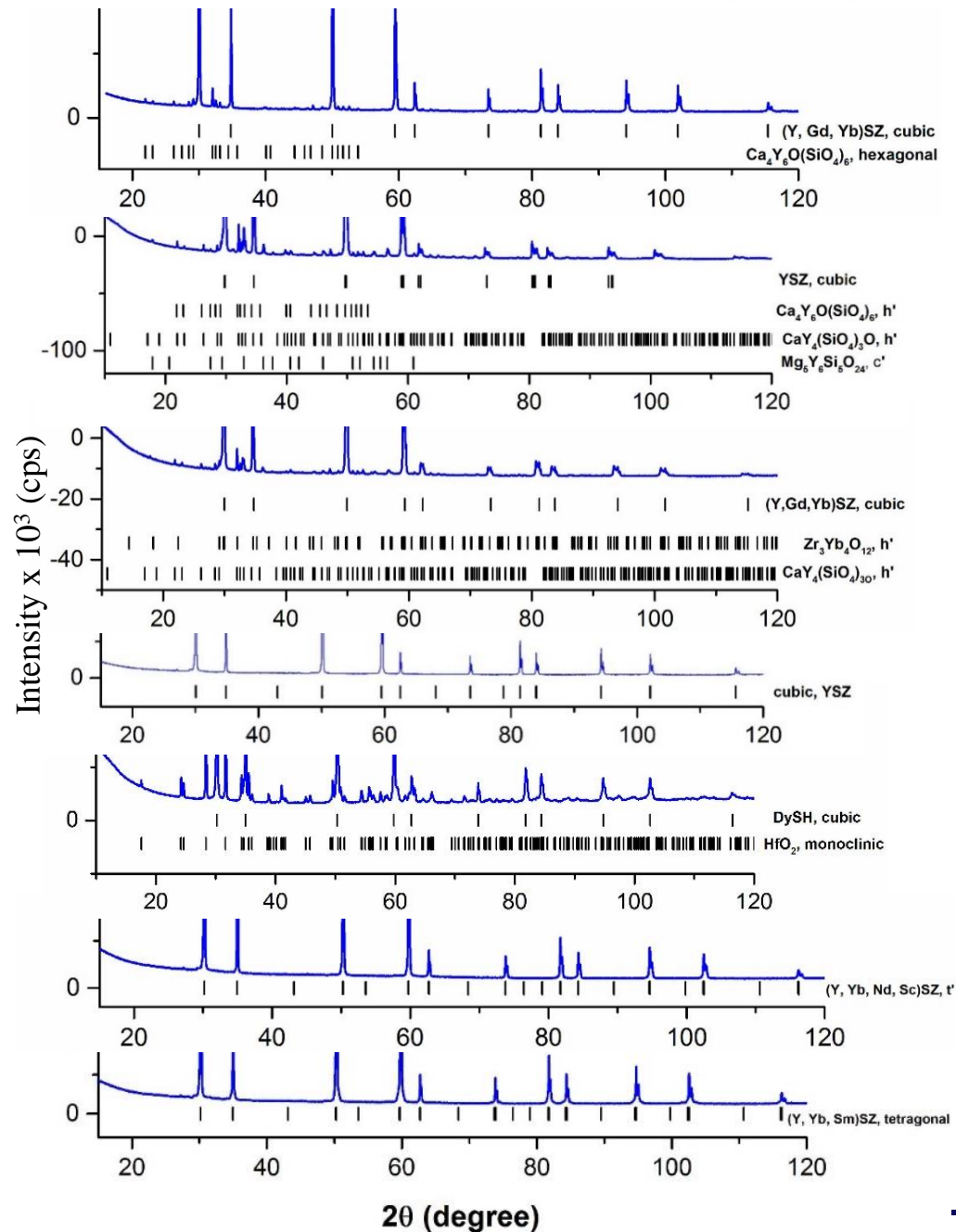
Grain 2	HfO ₂	Dy ₂ O ₃
Nominal mole (%)	93	7
EDS mole (%)	85(5)	7(1)



XRD pattern of the ground hollow tube.



Elemental content from EDS.



ZrO₂-18RE₂O₃ (RE = Y, Gd and Yb)

ZrO₂-30Y₂O₃

ZrO₂-13.9RE₂O₃ (RE = Y, Gd and Yb)

ZrO₂-12Y₂O₃

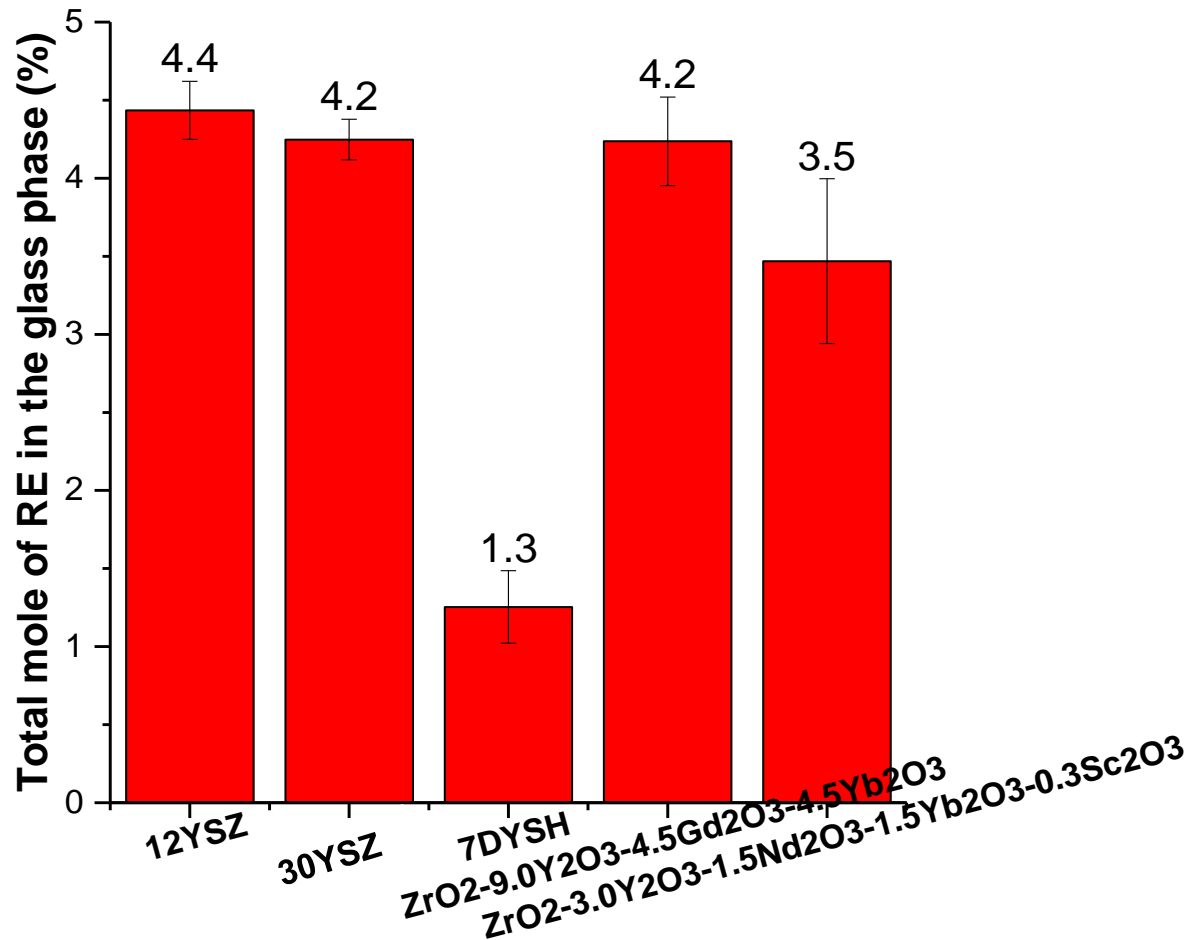
HfO₂-6.3Dy₂O₃

ZrO₂-6.3RE₂O₃ (RE = Y, Nd, Yb and Sc)

ZrO₂-6.0RE₂O₃ (RE = Y, Sm and Yb)



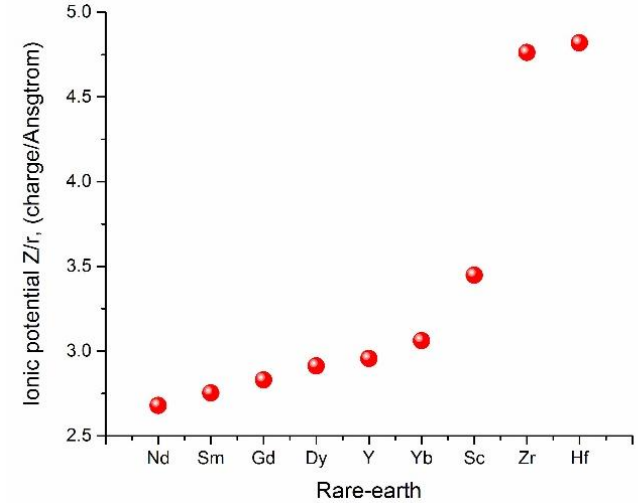
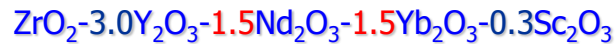
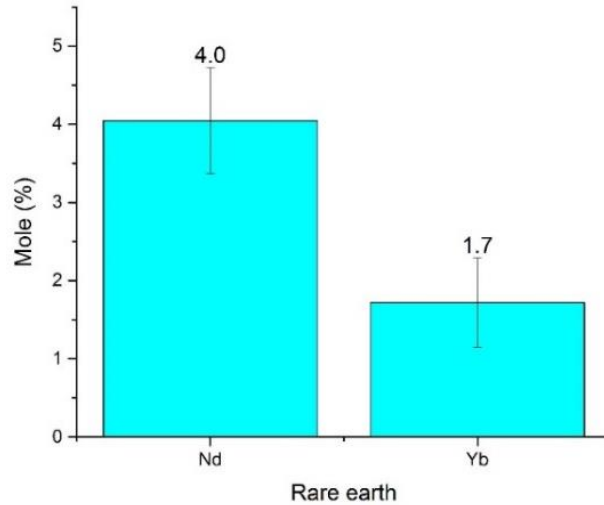
Results: content of the Rare-earth in the glass/silicate phase.



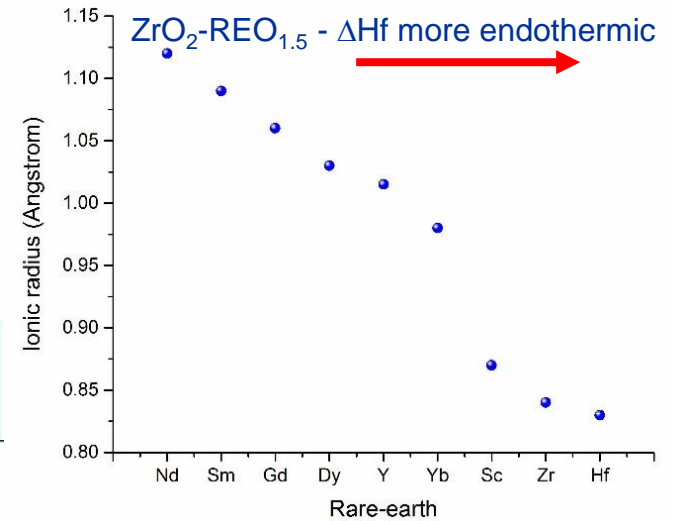
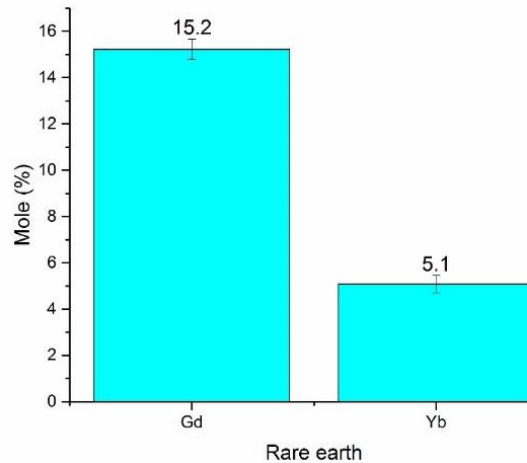
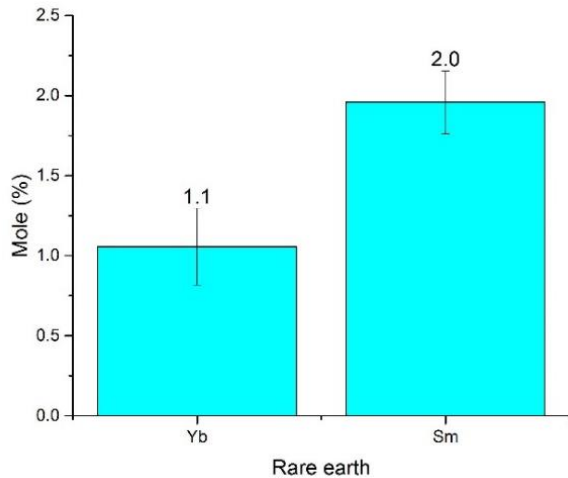
Dependence of the Rare-earth content in the glass/silicate phase versus Rare-earth content in the coating.



Results: content of the Rare-earth in the glass/silicate phase.



Ionic potential trend of RE



Radius size trend of RE



Summary

- Thermochemical reactions between CMAS and EBC and TBC materials were studied at 1310 °C for 5h.
- CMAS penetrated the samples at the grain boundaries and dissolved the EBC/TBC material to form silicate glassy and orthosilicate crystalline phases containing the rare-earth elements.
- Apatite crystalline phase was formed in the samples with rare-earth content higher than 12 mole (%) total of Rare-earths in the reaction zone.
- 7DySH, $\text{ZrO}_2\text{-}9.5\text{Y}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}2.2\text{Gd}_2\text{O}_3\text{-}2.1\text{Yb}_2\text{O}_3$ and 30YSZ samples had lower reactivity or more resistance to CMAS than the other coating compositions investigated in this study.

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