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ABSTRACT

Neutron irradiation of silicon carbide (SiC)-based fuel cladding under a high radial heat flux presents a critical challenge for SiC cladding concepts in light water reactors (LWRs). Fission heating in the fuel provides a high heat flux through the cladding, which, combined with the degraded thermal conductivity of SiC under irradiation, results in a large temperature gradient through the thickness of the cladding. The strong temperature dependence of swelling in SiC creates a complex stress profile in SiC-based cladding tubes as a result of differential swelling. The Nuclear Science User Facilities (NSUF) Program within the US Department of Energy Office of Nuclear Energy is supporting research efforts to improve the scientific understanding of the effects of irradiation on SiC cladding tubes. Ultimately, the results of this project will provide experimental validation of multi-physics models for SiC-based fuel cladding during LWR operation. The first objective of this project is to irradiate tube specimens using a previously developed design that allows for irradiation testing of miniature SiC tube specimens subjected to a high radial heat flux. The previous “rabbit” capsule design uses the gamma heating in the core of the High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR) to drive a high heat flux through the cladding tube specimens. A compressible aluminum foil allows for a constant thermal contact conductance between the cladding tubes and the rabbit housing despite swelling of the SiC tubes. To allow separation of the effects of irradiation from those due to differential swelling under a high heat flux, a new design was developed under the NSUF program. This design allows for irradiation of similar SiC cladding tube specimens without a high radial heat flux. This report briefly describes the irradiation experiment design concepts, summarizes the irradiation test matrix, and reports on the successful delivery of six rabbit capsules to the HFIR. Rabbits of both low and high heat flux configurations have been assembled, welded, evaluated, and delivered to the HFIR along with a complete quality assurance fabrication package. These rabbits contain a wide variety of specimens including monolith tubes, SiC fiber SiC matrix (SiC/SiC) composites, duplex specimens (inner composite, outer monolith), and specimens with a variety of metallic or ceramic coatings on the outer surface. The rabbits are targeted for insertion during HFIR cycle 475, which is scheduled for September 2017.

1. INTRODUCTION

Silicon carbide (SiC) is a candidate material for a variety of nuclear applications because of its high-temperature strength, oxidation resistance, and stability under irradiation [1-6]. Although SiC has been under consideration for various nuclear applications since the 1960s, the more recent focus has been on using SiC as a fuel cladding for light water reactors (LWRs) to increase the accident tolerance of the fuel [7-13]. One of the major technical feasibility issues for SiC-based cladding is whether the cladding can survive the evolving stress state over the lifetime of the fuel [14-16]. A large amount of heat is generated as a result of fission occurring in the fuel, and that heat passes through the cladding before ultimately being rejected to the reactor coolant. As the cladding thermal conductivity degrades under irradiation, the high heat flux passing through the cladding results in significant temperature gradients through the cladding thickness. Because of the strong temperature dependence of swelling in SiC, the radial temperature gradients result in differential swelling, which creates a complex stress state in the cladding. This stress, combined with internal pressurization due to gaseous fission product accumulation inside the fuel rod, could result in cracking and fission product release.

The Nuclear Science User Facilities (NSUF) Program within the US Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Nuclear Energy (DOE-NE) is funding Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) to experimentally investigate irradiation effects on the stress state in SiC cladding subjected to LWR conditions. The results obtained from this irradiation testing will provide experimental validation of thermomechanical models that are used to predict cladding performance during LWR operation. "Rabbit" capsules have been designed to allow miniature SiC tube specimens to be irradiated in the core of the High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR) at ORNL. Post-irradiation examination of the irradiated cladding tubes will include optical microscopy (to check for cracking), Raman temperature mapping, resonant ultrasound spectroscopy (for determining changes in elastic modulus), gas permeability measurements, and destructive c-ring testing (to determine residual stresses) [17]. This work summarizes the assembly and delivery of six rabbits containing a variety of SiC cladding tube specimens to the HFIR. The specimens include chemical vapor deposition (CVD) monolith tubes, SiC fiber SiC matrix (SiC/SiC) composite tubes, and duplex specimens (inner composite, outer monolith). In addition, some specimens were coated with a metallic or ceramic layer with the intention of improving hermeticity and/or hydrothermal corrosion resistance. Some of the rabbits that are to be irradiated use a previous design that allows for the cladding tubes to be tested under a representative high heat flux. Others use a new design developed under the NSUF program that allows for irradiation of tube specimens at representative LWR temperatures without a high heat flux so that the effects of differential swelling can be separated from other irradiation effects. This report provides a brief overview of the irradiation test matrix, the capsule design concepts, and the successful delivery of all irradiation capsules to the HFIR.

2. EXPERIMENT DESIGNS AND TEST MATRIX

2.1 HIGH-HEAT FLUX DESIGN

The high-heat flux irradiation capsule designed previously is shown in Figure 1 [18]. This design places the specimens around a molybdenum heater (dense gamma absorbing cylinder) at the center of the rabbit housing. The heater generates significant gamma heating, which passes through the cladding tube, resulting in a heat flux of approximately 0.6 MW/m^2 at the outer surface of the cladding. The outside of the specimen is surrounded by an aluminum sleeve, an embossed aluminum foil, and an aluminum housing, which is directly cooled by the reactor primary coolant. The embossed foil allows the specimen to swell under irradiation while maintaining good thermal contact between the sleeve and the housing. The sleeve prevents large circumferential temperature variations on the outer surface of the cladding due to the periodic contact that would otherwise exist between the cladding and the foil. The cladding surface was estimated to be $300\text{--}350^\circ\text{C}$, based on finite element analysis (FEA) [18]. The FEA results were validated using passive SiC temperature monitors located inside the molybdenum heaters.

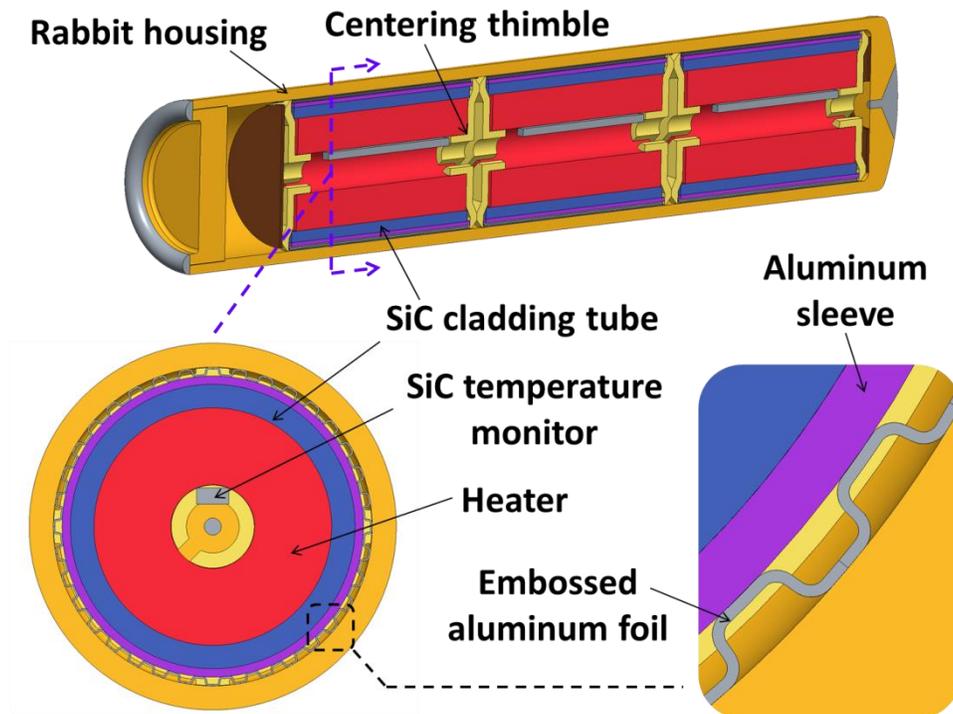


Figure 1. Previously developed design concept for irradiating SiC cladding tubes under a high radial heat flux.

2.2 LOW-HEAT FLUX DESIGN

As mentioned previously, the low-heat flux design was developed under the NSUF program to provide SiC cladding tube specimens that have been irradiated without differential swelling stresses resulting from the high radial heat flux and associated temperature gradients [19]. This allows for the separation of differential swelling effects from effects related to radiation damage. Figure 2 shows the concept for the low ($\sim 0.08 \text{ MW/m}^2$) heat flux design. Three cladding tubes are stacked in the vertical direction inside the rabbit housing. Each tube specimen has centering thimbles inserted on either end to

keep the specimens centered within the housing. A compression spring is placed at the top of the rabbit to prevent the centering thimbles from dislodging from the cladding specimens. All centering thimbles are made of aluminum, except for the bottom thimble, which is made of a titanium alloy. The low density and high thermal conductivity of aluminum minimizes temperature extremes on the ends of the specimens due to increased gamma heating in the thimbles. To further reduce axial temperature gradients along the length of the specimens, graphite inserts are placed inside the cladding between the two centering thimbles to provide a more uniform heat loading along the length of the cladding tubes. The bottom thimble is made of titanium because of its low thermal conductivity, which reduces axial heat losses from the bottom cladding specimen to the cool bottom surface of the capsule housing. Figure 3 shows predicted temperatures for a SiC/SiC composite specimen during irradiation in both the high- and low-heat flux design configurations. Temperatures for the high-heat flux configuration were replotted from the data in Petrie et al. [18]. Clearly the low-heat flux design allows for much lower temperature gradients within the specimens.

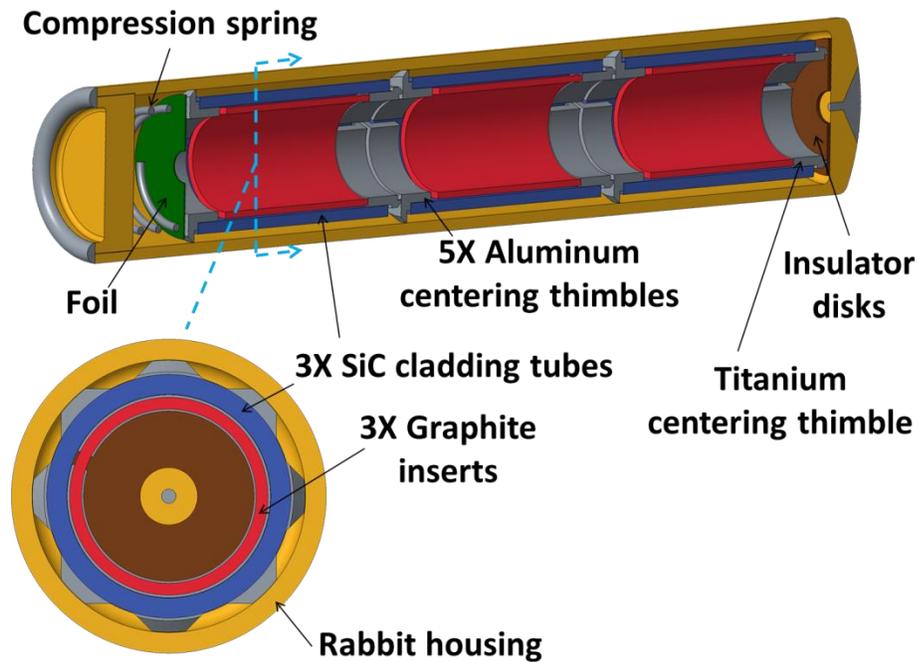


Figure 2. Section view showing low-heat flux design concept developed under the NSUF project.

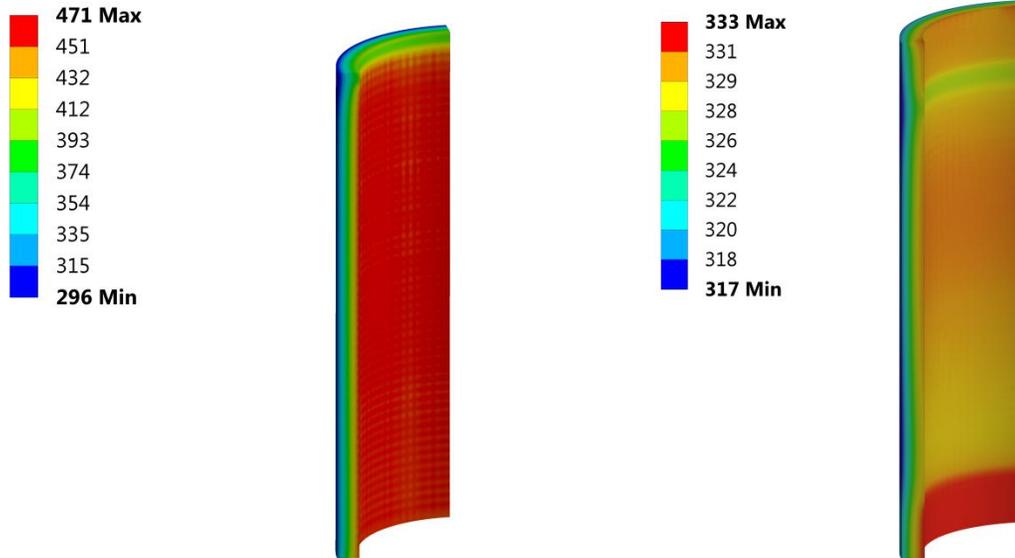


Figure 3. SiC/SiC composite cladding specimen temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) contours during irradiation in the high (left) and low (right) heat flux design configurations.

2.3 IRRADIATION TEST MATRIX

Table 1 and Table 2 summarize the irradiation test matrix. The specimens come from a variety of manufacturers, including The Dow Chemical Company (Dow), General Atomics (GA), the Korean Atomic Energy Research Institute (KAERI) in South Korea, and the Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique (CEA) in France. Coating was performed by two companies: Richter Precision Inc. (RP) and Techmetals Inc. (TM). Coatings included Cr, CrN, and TiN. Table 1 shows the loading of specimens in each rabbit along with the irradiation positions and fill gases. Each rabbit contains three specimens. Table 2 summarizes all specimens by specimen manufacturer, type, coating, and heat flux (high- or low-heat flux design). All specimens will be irradiated for one cycle (cycle 475) in the HFIR, which will result in a radiation dose of approximately 2.3 dpa [18]. The targeted cladding surface temperature is approximately 300–350 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for all rabbits. Temperature gradients through the thickness depend on the heat flux and the specimen thermal conductivity, which varies with specimen type and neutron fluence. The nominal specimen dimensions are 8.5 mm outer diameter, 7.1 mm inner diameter, and 16 mm length.

Table 1. Rabbit irradiation test matrix showing the loading of specimens within each rabbit, the irradiation positions, and fill gases

Rabbit	Heat flux	Cladding 1	Cladding 2	Cladding 3	Irradiation position	Fill gas
ATFSC06	High	CVD-E	GA-TGI-C-1	N1N3(8)	G4-4	He
ATFSC07	High	CVD-H	TYPE S-1	SA3-2	A1-4	He
ATFSC09	High	CVD-G	1-TM-CrN	4-RP-CrN	A4-4	He
SCL01	Low	CVD-L	SA3-1	N1N3(1)	A1-5	85% He, Ar bal.
SCL05	Low	CVD-Q	6-RP-Cr	2-TM-CrN	D1-5	85% He, Ar bal.
SCL06	Low	CVD-R	3-RP-CrN	7-TM-TiN	G7-4	85% He, Ar bal.

Table 2. Specimen irradiation test matrix showing number of specimens to be irradiated according to specimen manufacturer, type, coating, and heat flux (high or low heat flux design).

Manufacturer	Type	Coating	Specimen ID	Heat flux	
				High	Low
Dow	Monolith	None	CVD-X (X=E, G, H, L, Q, R)	3	3
GA	SiC/SiC composite	None	GA-TGI-C-1	1	0
GA	Duplex: inner composite, outer monolith	CrN	1-TM-CrN, 3-RP-CrN	1	1
GA	Duplex: inner composite, outer monolith	Cr	6-RP-Cr	0	1
KAERI	Duplex: inner composite, outer monolith	None	TYPE S-1, SA3-1, SA3-2	2	1
CEA	SiC/SiC composite	None	N1N3(1), N1N3(8)	1	1
CEA	SiC/SiC composite	CrN	2-TM-CrN, 4-RP-CrN	1	1
CEA	SiC/SiC composite	TiN	7-TM-TiN	0	1

3. RABBIT CAPSULE ASSEMBLY AND DELIVERY TO THE HFIR

3.1 HIGH-HEAT FLUX RABBITS ASSEMBLY

The three high-heat flux rabbits (ATFSC06, ATFSC07, and ATFSC09) were assembled. Pictures of the parts layout and specimen sub-assemblies for rabbit ATFSC06 are shown in Figure 4. Figure 5 shows the parts layout for rabbits ATFSC07 and ATFSC09. Figure 6 shows a top-down view of CEA SiC/SiC composite specimen N1N3(8) assembled inside the rabbit housing ATFSC06 with the heater, sleeve, foil, and thermometry surrounded by quartz wool. The signed capsule fabrication request forms are provided in APPENDIX A. Figure 7 shows an example of the pre-irradiation optical microscopy that is performed on each specimen (SA3-2 in this case) so that defects that exist in the specimen before irradiation are not attributed to radiation damage. The top of the specimen shows engraving marks for identifying the specimen. A surface defect is clearly visible in the bottom right picture.



Figure 4. Parts (left) and assembly (right) of rabbit ATFSC06.



Figure 5. Parts for assembly of rabbits ATFSC07 (left) and ATFSC09 (right).

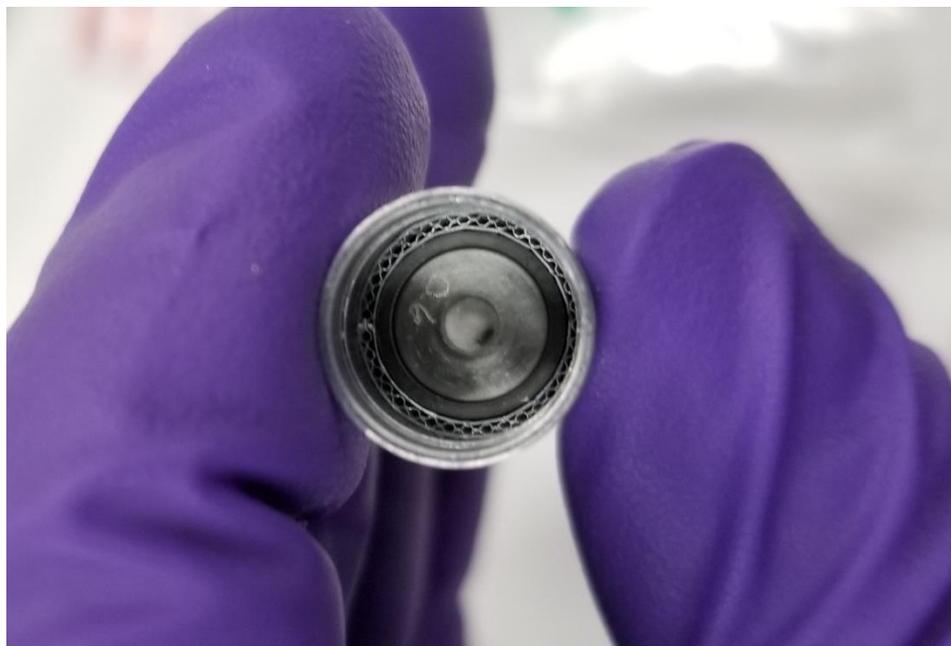


Figure 6. Top-down view of CEA SiC/SiC composite specimen N1N3(8) assembled inside rabbit housing ATFSC06 with the heater, sleeve, foil, and thermometry surrounded by quartz wool.

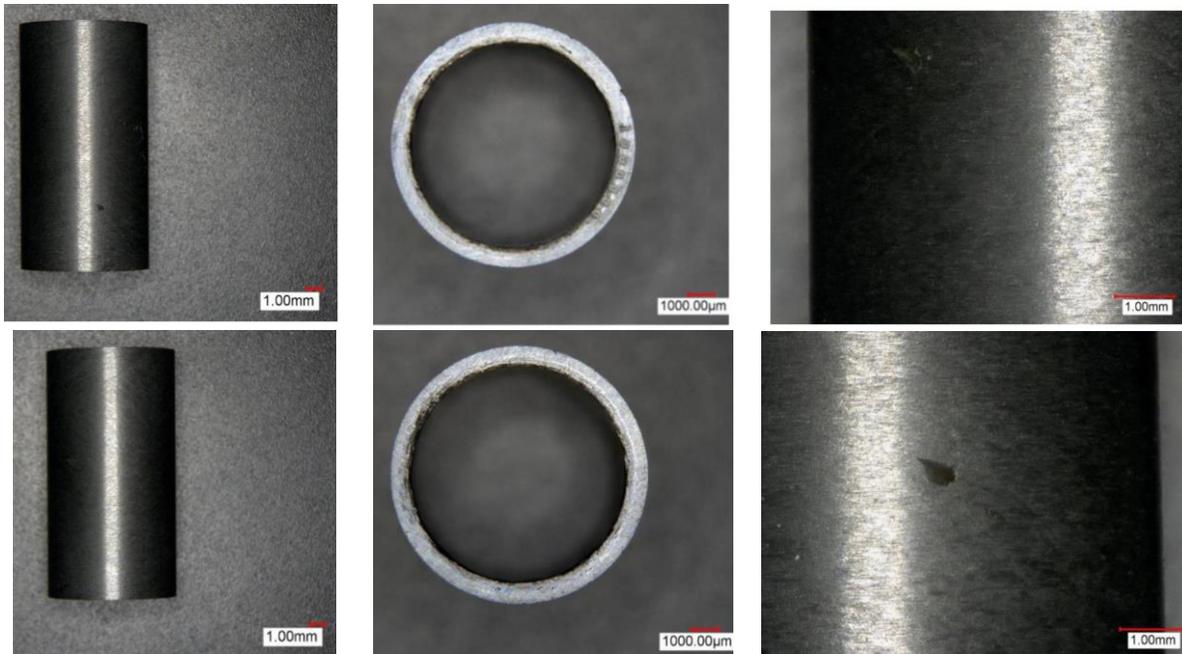


Figure 7. Example of optical microscopy performed on each specimen (SA3-2 in this case) before irradiation.

All capsule components were dimensionally inspected and cleaned according to HFIR-approved procedures, drawings, and sketches. After assembly of the internal components, all rabbit housing end caps were welded to the housings using an electron beam weld. The capsules were then placed inside sealed chambers that were evacuated and backfilled with ultra-high-purity helium gas three times to ensure a pure helium environment. The chambers were placed inside a glove box, which was also evacuated and backfilled with helium. Each rabbit had a small hole in the bottom of the housing that was sealed using a gas tungsten arc welding procedure. All welds passed visual examination. Each capsule was then sent for nondestructive examination, which included a helium leak test, hydrostatic compression at a pressure of 1,035 psi, mass comparisons before and after hydrostatic compression to ensure no water penetrated the capsule housing, and a final post-compression helium leak test. All rabbits passed helium leak testing and hydrostatic compression.

3.2 LOW-HEAT FLUX RABBITS ASSEMBLY

Three low-heat flux rabbits (SCL01, SCL05, and SCL06) were assembled. Pictures of the layout for each rabbit before irradiation are shown for these three rabbits in Figure 8. Figure 9 shows an example of cladding specimens assembled with centering thimbles. Figure 10 shows an example of optical microscopy performed on a coated specimen (7-TM-TiN) that was included in low-heat flux irradiation capsule SCL06. The low-heat flux rabbits and rabbit components were inspected, cleaned, assembled, and tested using the same processes and procedures as the high-heat flux rabbits, except that the backfill gas was an 85% He-Ar balance mixture instead of pure helium. All rabbits passed weld examination, helium leak testing, and hydrostatic compression.

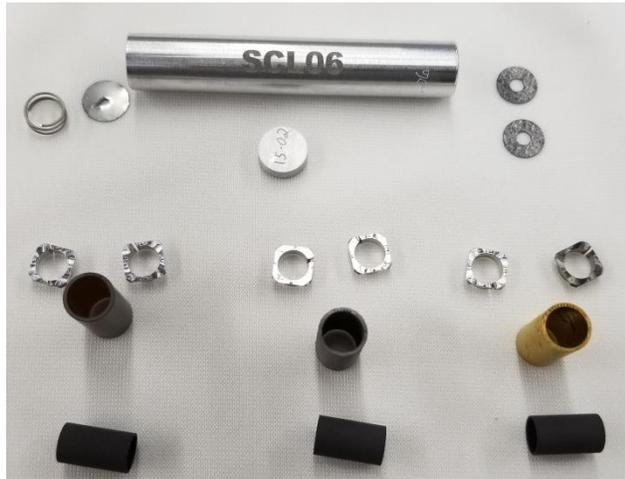
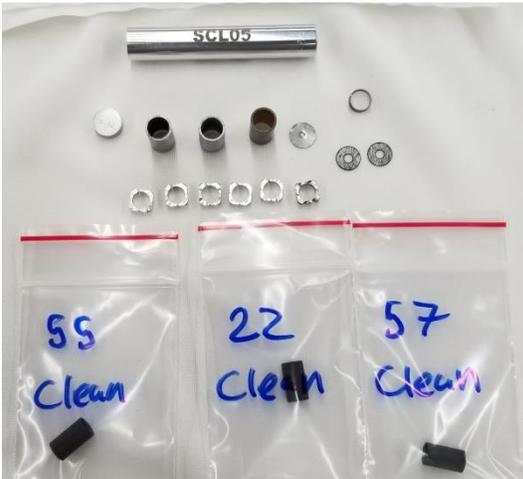


Figure 8. Capsule parts for low-heat flux rabbits SCL01, SCL05, and SCL06.



Figure 9. Cladding specimens assembled with centering thimbles for the low-heat flux design configuration.



Figure 10. Example of optical microscopy performed on coated specimen 7-TM-TiN before irradiation in low-heat flux rabbit SCL06.

3.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE, FABRICATION PACKAGE, AND DELIVERY TO THE HFIR

Each rabbit irradiation experiment requires a fabrication package that is reviewed by an independent design engineer, a lead quality assurance (QA) representative, and a HFIR QA representative before acceptance for insertion into the HFIR. The fabrication package must satisfy the requirements of the Experiment Authorization Basis Document (EABD). Rabbit capsules fall under document EABD-HFIR-2009-004. This document specifies a number of requirements that the rabbits must satisfy in the areas of

- thermal safety analyses,
- material certification,
- dimensional inspection,
- cleaning,
- assembly procedure,
- sample loading,
- fill gas,
- welding, and
- nondestructive evaluation.

A separate fabrication package was prepared for the low- and high-heat flux rabbit capsules. These packages were reviewed and approved by an independent design engineer, lead QA representative, and HFIR QA representative and accepted by HFIR on August 14, 2017. The final signed acceptance page of the EABD is provided in APPENDIX A. All six rabbits are scheduled for insertion during HFIR cycle 475 (September 2017).

4. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

This work summarizes the capsule design concepts and the irradiation test matrix for six rabbit capsules, which were successfully assembled and delivered to the HFIR for insertion during cycle 475 (September 2017). Each rabbit contains three SiC cladding tube specimens, which will be evaluated post-irradiation as part of an NSUF-funded project investigating the effects of irradiation with a high radial heat flux on the stress state in SiC-based fuel cladding. Three rabbits use a previous design that provides the required radial heat flux through the specimens during irradiation. A new design was developed under the NSUF program to allow for irradiation at LWR temperatures without a significant radial heat flux to allow the separation of effects related to differential swelling from other irradiation effects. A wide variety of specimens were included in the test matrix, including monolith tubes, SiC/SiC composites, duplex specimens (inner composite, outer monolith), and specimens with a variety of metallic or ceramic coatings on the outer surfaces. The rabbits were successfully assembled, welded, evaluated, and delivered to the HFIR along with a complete QA fabrication package. Pictures of the rabbit assembly process and optical microscopy of select specimens are included in this report. Documentation of the capsule fabrication and final acceptance by HFIR is provided in an appendix. Ultimately, the results of this project will provide experimental validation of multi-physics models of the stress state of SiC-based fuel cladding during LWR operation.

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**APPENDIX A. FABRICATION AND QUALITY ASSURANCE
DOCUMENTATION FOR COMPLETED RABBITS**

APPENDIX A. FABRICATION AND QUALITY ASSURANCE DOCUMENTATION FOR COMPLETED RABBITS

Capsule Fabrication Request Sheet

ATFSC06

Capsule Number:

Irradiation Conditions

Irradiation Location	TRRH	4
Target Fluence	2.4E+21	
First Cycle Goal	474	
Irradiation Time	1.0 cycles	
Irradiation Temperature	325°C	

Fill Gas: Helium

Cladding Design Diameter: 8.50 mm

Capsule Fabrication

	Drawing	Rev.	Part	Material	Count	Comment	MAT IR	FAB IR	ID	Mass (g)
Housing	X3E020977A634	A	1	Al 6061	1		20654	20654	16-36	4.3396
Housing end cap	X3E020977A634	A	2	Al 4047	1		20311	20533	15-66	0.5092
Cladding	S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	3	SIC	3	Cladding 1	19502	20681	CVD-E	0.8909
						Cladding 2	20669	20669	GA-TGI-C-1	0.7713
						Cladding 3			N1N3(8)	0.7908
Heater	S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	4	Moly	2	Match to cladding 1	20163	20670	16-10	5.4481
						Match to cladding 2			16-11	5.3290
						Match to cladding 3			16-12	5.4324
Centering thimble				Ti-6Al4V					ARM00001	0.1711
									ARM00015	0.1706
									ARM00016	0.1704
									ARM00021	0.1694
									ARM00064	0.1690
									ARM00065	0.1687
Sleeve	S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	5	Al 1100	3	8 µm RMS: Clad 1	20379	20671	38	146
						8 µm RMS: Clad 2			39	147
						8 µm RMS: Clad 3			38	149
Foil	S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	6	Al 1100	3	Match to cladding 1	20388	20473	3 total from F01	0.71
						Match to cladding 2				0.73
						Match to cladding 3				0.182
Small thermometry	X3E020977A540	1	3	SIC	3	Match to cladding 1	19502	20660	15A	0.0182
						Match to cladding 2			13A	0.0182
						Match to cladding 3			14A	0.0187
Insulator disc with hole	S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	17	Grafoil	2	.13 mm thick	19812	19812	2 total	0.14
Insulator disc w/o hole	S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	18	Grafoil	2	.13 mm thick	19812	19812	2 total	0.16
Quartz wool	S15-27-SIC-CLAD-01	0	NA	SiO2	AR	See notes 5 & 6	20679	20679	NA	0.10
Assembly										
	Drawing	Rev.	Comment							
Assembly Drawing	S15-27-SIC-CLAD-01-2	0								
Welding & Cleaning	X3E020977A633	0								
Fill Gas	Helium									

Approvals

Request	Build
Performed by: <i>Chris R. Hsu</i>	<i>Paul Byers</i>
Checked by: <i>Paul Byers</i>	<i>Steven Thompson</i>
<i>7-24-17</i>	<i>7/12/17</i>
<i>7/24/17</i>	<i>7/12/17</i>

Capsule Fabrication Request Sheet

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Capsule Number:

Irradiation Conditions	TRRH	4
Irradiation Location		2.4E+21
Target Fluence		474
First Cycle Goal		1.0 cycles
Irradiation Time		325°C
Irradiation Temperature		Helium
Fill Gas		8.50 mm
Cladding Design Diameter		

Capsule Fabrication

Approvals

Request	Build
Performed by: <i>Chris Robin 7-24-17</i>	<i>Paul Byrne 7/14/17</i>
Checked by: <i>Paul Byrne 7/14/17</i>	<i>Heidi M. W. 7/19/17</i>

Drawing	Rev.	Part	Material	Count	Comment	MAT IR	FAB IR	ID	Mass (g)
X3E020977A634	A	1	Al 6061	1		20654	20654	16-47	4.3314
X3E020977A634	A	2	Al 4047	1		20311	20533	15-51	0.5230
S15-28-SiC-CLAD-02	C	3	SiC	3	Cladding 1	19502	20681	CVD-H	0.8914
		Cladding 2			20669	20669	TYPE S-1	0.8267	
		Cladding 3					SA3-2	0.7955	
S15-28-SiC-CLAD-02	C	4	Moly	2	Match to cladding 1	20420	ARM00019	5.4309	
		Match to cladding 2			20153	16-16	5.4349		
		Match to cladding 3			20670	16-17	5.4329		
S15-28-SiC-CLAD-02	C	2	Ti-6Al4V	6				ARM00058	0.1687
							ARM00047	0.1712	
							ARM00024	0.1712	
S15-28-SiC-CLAD-02	C	5	Al 1100	3	8 µm RMS: Clad 1	20379	20671	41	.141
		8 µm RMS: Clad 2				41	.143		
		8 µm RMS: Clad 3				39	.146		
S15-28-SiC-CLAD-02	C	6	Al 1100	3	Match to cladding 1	20388	20473	3 total from F01	.073
		Match to cladding 2					.071		
		Match to cladding 3							
X3E020977A540	1	3	SiC	3	Match to cladding 1	19502	20680	17A	0.0497
		Match to cladding 2					16A	0.0186	
		Match to cladding 3					18A	0.0186	
S15-28-SiC-CLAD-02	C	17	Grafal	2	Match to cladding 3	19812	19812	2 total	.013
		C			18	19812	19812	2 total	.015
S15-27-SiC-CLAD-01	0	NA	SiO2	AR	See notes 5 & 6	20679	20679	NA	.070

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Drawing	Rev.	Comment
S15-27-SiC-CLAD-01-2	0	
X3E020977A633	0	
Helium		

Total Mass 246.7401
Specimen Mass 2.5136
Internal Mass 19.0363

Capsule Fabrication Request Sheet

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Capsule Number:

Irradiation Conditions

Irradiation Location	TRRH	4
Target Fluence	2.4E+21	
First Cycle Goal	474	
Irradiation Time	1.0 cycles	
Irradiation Temperature	325°C	

Fill Gas	Helium
Cladding Design Diameter	8.50 mm

Capsule Fabrication

Drawing	Rev.	Part	Material	Count	Comment	MAT IR	FAB IR	ID	Mass (g)
X3E020977A634	A	1	Al 6061	1		20713	20713	17-89	4.3338
X3E020977A634	A	2	Al 4047	1		20311	20533	15-39	0.5164
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	3	SIC	3	Cladding 1	19502	20681	CVD-G	0.8925
					Cladding 2	20669	20747	1-TM-CIN	0.8097
					Cladding 3			4-RP-CIN	0.8515
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	4	Moly	2	Match to cladding 1	20153	20420	ARM00010	5.4299
					Match to cladding 2			16-02	5.2790
					Match to cladding 3			ARM00016	5.4440
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	2	Ti-6Al4V	6		20369	20419	ARM00040	0.1715
								ARM00041	0.1718
								ARM00042	0.1712
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	5	Al 1100	3	8 µm RMS: Clad 1	20379	20671	ARM00070	0.1694
					8 µm RMS: Clad 2			32	.147
					8 µm RMS: Clad 3			37	.147
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	6	Al 1100	3	Match to cladding 1	20388	20473	3 total from F01	.076
					Match to cladding 2				.073
					Match to cladding 3				
X3E020977A540	1	3	SIC	3	Match to cladding 1	19502	20680	8A	0.0184
					Match to cladding 2			21A	0.0177
					Match to cladding 3			22A	0.0183
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	17	Grafcoil	2	.13 mm thick	19812	19812	2 total	.013
					.13 mm thick	19812	19812	2 total	.015
S15-27-SIC-CLAD-01	0	NA	SiO2	AR	See notes 5 & 6	20679	20679	NA	.094
Total Mass									25.6344
Specimen Mass									2.3553
Internal Mass									15.7542

Approvals

Performed by:	Request	Build
Checked by:	7-24-17	7/11/17

Assembly

Drawing	Rev.	Comment
S15-27-SIC-CLAD-01-2	0	
X3E020977A633	0	
Helium		

Capsule Fabrication Request Sheet

Capsule Number: SCL01

Irradiation Conditions

Irradiation Location: PTP 4

Target Fluence: 2.4E+21

First Cycle Goal: 473

Irradiation Time: 1.0 cycles

Irradiation Temperature: 340°C

Fill Gas: 85%He, Ar bal.

Cladding Design Diameter: 8.50 mm

Capsule Fabrication

Drawing	Rev.	Part	Material	Count	Comment	MAT IR	FAB IR	ID	Mass (g)
X3E020977A634	A	1	Al 6061	1		20654	20654	16-31	4.3321
X3E020977A634	A	2	Al 4047	1		20311	20533	15-22	0.5087
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	2	DISPAL AL	5		16941	20672	A21	0.0948
								A22	0.0966
								A34	0.0961
								A35	0.0958
								A42	0.0954
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	7	Ti6Al4V	1	bottom of assy	20093	20673	T01	0.1585
					CVD-L	19592	20671	CVD-L	0.8822
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	B	3	SIC	3	1000000	20669	20669	SA3-1	0.8186
					10	20669	20669	N1N3(1)	0.7853
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	3	Graphite	3		19463	20660	54	0.1750
								53	0.1720
								40	0.1780
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	4	Ti	1		20612	20612	1 rev	0.022
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	5	Grafoil	2		19812	19812	2 total	0.017
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	6	Stainless Steel	1		20659	20659	1B	0.1040

Approvals

Performed by: *M. Kelly 4.12.17*

Checked by: *Chris Petric 4-12-17*

Build: *David Bygones 4/17/17*

Assembly

Drawing	Rev.	Comment
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	
X3E020977A633	0	
85% He, Ar bal.		

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SCL05

Capsule Number:

Irradiation Location	PTP	4
Target Fluence	2.3E+21	
First Cycle Goal	474	
Irradiation Time	1.0 cycles	
Irradiation Temperature	325°C	
Fill Gas	85% He, Ar bal.	
Cladding Design Diameter	8.50	mm

Irradiation Conditions

Housing	
Housing end cap	
Centering thimble	
Centering thimble	
Cladding	
Insert	
Foil	
Insulator disk	
Compression spring	

Capsule Fabrication

Drawing	Rev.	Part	Material	Count	Comment	MAT IR	FAB IR	ID	Mass (g)
X3E020977A634	A	1	Al 6061	1		20654	20654	16-42	4.323
X3E020977A634	A	2	Al 4047	1		20311	20633	15-72	4.323
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	2	Dispal Al	5	All thimbles except bottom	16941	20672	AD1	.096
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	7	TI-6Al4V	1	Bottom thimble	20093	20673	AD2	.096
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	3	SIC	3		19502	20681	AD3	.096
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	3	Graphite	3		20669	20747	AD4	.096
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	4	TI-6Al4V	1		19463	20660	AD5	.096
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	5	Grafoil	2		20612	19812	AD6	.096
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	6	304 SS	1		20659	20659	AD7	.096
Total Mass									0.014
Specimen Mass									0.000
Internal Mass									0.000

Approvals

Performed by:	Request	Build
Checked by:		

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Assembly

Drawing	Rev.	Comment
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	
X3E020977A633	0	
85% He, Ar bal.		

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SCL06

Capsule Number:

Irradiation Conditions

Irradiation Location	PTP	4
Target Fluence	2.3E+21	
First Cycle Goal	474	
Irradiation Time	1.0 cycles	
Irradiation Temperature	325°C	
Fill Gas	85% He, Ar bal.	
Cladding Design Diameter	8.50	mm

Capsule Fabrication

Drawing	Rev.	Part	Material	Count	Comment	MAT IR	FAB IR	ID	Mass (g)
X3E020977A634	A	1	Al 8061	1		20654	20654	16-06	4.308
X3E020977A634	A	2	Al 4047	1		20311	20633	15-02	.4916
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	2	Dispal Al	5	All thimbles except bottom	16941	20672	A12	.097
								A13	.096
								A14	.096
								A31	.096
								A51	.097
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	7	Ti-6Al4V	1	Bottom thimble	20093	20673	T07	.157
			SIC			19502	20681	CVD-R	.890
S15-28-SIC-CLAD-02	C	3		3		20669	20747	3-RP-CrN	.714
			Graphite					7-TM-TiN	.807
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	3		3		19463	20660	47	.174
								8	.178
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	4	Ti-6Al4V	1		20812	20612	1 total	.022
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	5	Grafoil	2		19812	19812	2 total	.011
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	6	304 SS	1		20659	20659	1 total	0.101

Assembly

Drawing	Rev.	Comment
S15-35-SIC-CLAD-NOHF	1	
X3E020977A633	0	
85% He, Ar bal.		

Approvals

Performed by:	Request	Build
Checked by:		

Total Mass	0.0000
Specimen Mass	0.0000
Internal Mass	0.0000

Section 6: Acceptance for Use of As-Built Experiment Capsule

Note: This section is used to document acceptance of the as-built experiment for reactor installation and irradiation. This section is completed **after** completion of Section 2. See notes for explanation of signatures.

1. List Applicable Rabbit Identification and Heat Generation Classification (High or Low)

ATFSC03
ATFSC04
ATFSC05
ATFSC06
ATFSC07
ATFSC08
ATFSC09

HFIR I.D.*

Heat Classification

High



* Quality Assurance to verify correlation of User ID and HFIR ID noted above are consistent with markings presented on product body.

Independent Verification of User I.D. and HFIR I.D. : L. C. Smith

2. Attach Capsule Fabrication Request Sheet or Equivalent : Chris Petrie Lead Experimenter

3. Approvals (see notes for explanation of signature responsibilities)

Christian Petrie
Lead Experimenter

Chris Petrie
Lead Experimenter (signature)

8-1-17
Date

M.C. Vance
Lead QA

M.C. Vance
Lead QA (signature)

8/2/17
Date

L.C. Smith
RRD QA

L.C. Smith
RRD QA (signature)

8/3/17
Date

Greg Hirtz
RRD EA&C Staff

Greg Hirtz
RRD EA&C Staff (signature)

8/11/17
Date

N.A. No NCS Requirements
RRD Criticality Safety Officer

N.A. No NCS Requirements
RRD Criticality Safety Officer (signature)

NA
Date

N.A. No MBA Requirements
HFIR MBA Representative

N.A. No MBA Requirements
HFIR MBA Representative (signature)

NA
Date

BRIAN E FULLER
HFIR Operations (print name)

Brian E Fuller
HFIR Operations (signature)

8-15-17
Date

Section 6: Acceptance for Use of As-Built Experiment Capsule

Note: This section is used to document acceptance of the as-built experiment for reactor installation and irradiation. This section is completed **after** completion of Section 2. See notes for explanation of signatures.

1. List Applicable Rabbit Identification and Heat Generation Classification (High or Low)

User I.D.	HFIR I.D.*	Heat Classification
SCL01		Low
SCL02		
SCL03		
SCL04		
SCL05		
SCL06		

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* Quality Assurance to verify correlation of User ID and HFIR ID noted above are consistent with markings presented on product body.

Independent Verification of User I.D. and HFIR I.D. : J.R. Smith

2. Attach Capsule Fabrication Request Sheet or Equivalent : Chris Petric Lead Experimenter

3. Approvals (see notes for explanation of signature responsibilities)

<u>Christian Petric</u> Lead Experimenter	<u>Chris Petric</u> Lead Experimenter (signature)	<u>8-1-17</u> Date
<u>M.C. Vance</u> Lead QA	<u>M.C. Vance</u> Lead QA (signature)	<u>8/2/17</u> Date
<u>L.C. Smith</u> RRD QA	<u>J.R. Smith</u> RRD QA (signature)	<u>8/3/17</u> Date
<u>Greg Hirtz</u> RRD EA&C Staff	<u>Greg Hirtz</u> RRD EA&C Staff (signature)	<u>8/4/17</u> Date
<u>N.A. No NCS Requirements</u> RRD Criticality Safety Officer	<u>N.A. No NCS Requirements</u> RRD Criticality Safety Officer (signature)	<u>NA</u> Date
<u>N.A. No MBA Requirements</u> HFIR MBA Representative	<u>N.A. No MBA Requirements</u> HFIR MBA Representative (signature)	<u>NA</u> Date
<u>FULLER, BRIAN E</u> HFIR Operations (print name)	<u>Brian E Fuller</u> HFIR Operations (signature)	<u>08/15/2017</u> Date