

Trace elements influencing the microstructure of the Al₁₀Co₂₅Cr₈Fe₁₅Ni₃₆Ti₆ compositionally complex alloy

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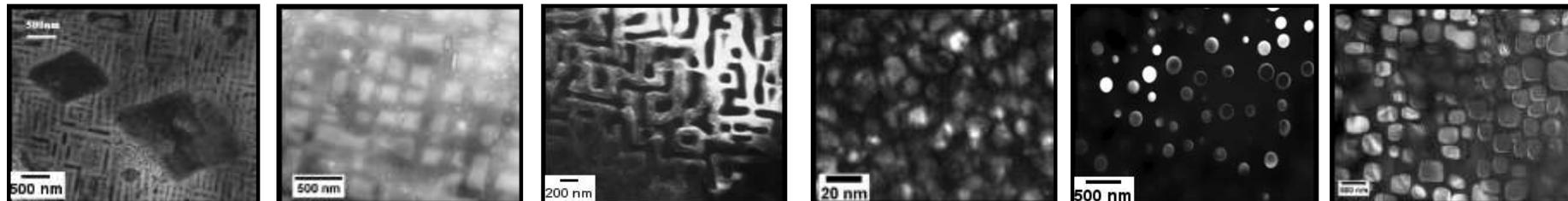
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Quick view on optimisation steps

Manzoni et al., Entropy, 2016



AlCoCr
CuFeNi

bcc
≥6 phases
brittle

$\text{Al}_{23}\text{Co}_{15}\text{Cr}_{23}$
 $\text{Cu}_8\text{Fe}_{15}\text{Ni}_{16}$

↓Cu
↑Al&Cr

bcc
3 phases
brittle

AlCoCr
FeNi

↓Cu

bcc
2 phases
brittle

$\text{Al}_8\text{Co}_{17}\text{Cr}_{17}$
 $\text{Cu}_8\text{Fe}_{17}\text{Ni}_{33}$

↓Al&Cu
↗Ni

fcc
1 phase
very ductile

$\text{Al}_8\text{Co}_{17}\text{Cr}_{14}$
 $\text{Cu}_8\text{Fe}_{17}\text{Ni}_{33}$
 $\text{Mo}_{0.1}\text{Ti}_1\text{W}_{0.1}$

↓ Al&Cu
↗ Ni
+Mo, Ti&W

fcc
2 phases
very ductile

$\text{Al}_{10}\text{Co}_{25}\text{Cr}_8$
 $\text{Fe}_{15}\text{Ni}_{36}\text{Ti}_6$

↓ Al&Cu
↗ Co&Ni
+Ti

fcc
3 phases
ductile

The new "base" alloy

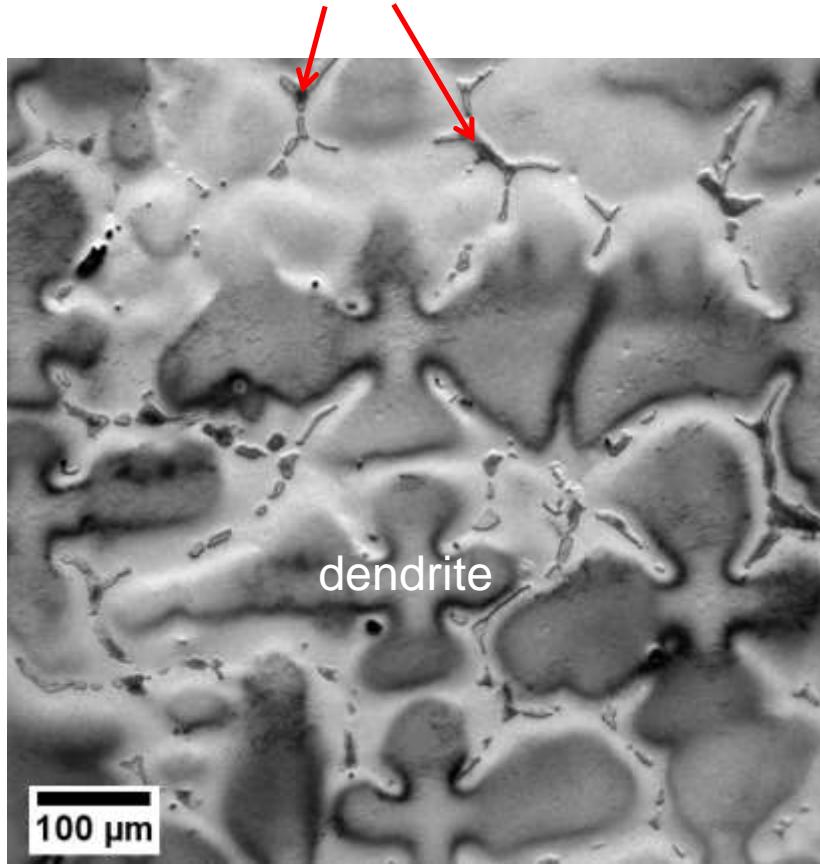
$\text{Al}_{10}\text{Co}_{25}\text{Cr}_8\text{Fe}_{17}\text{Ni}_{36}\text{Ti}_6$

has an fcc solid solution with L1_2
precipitates (and a needle phase)

$\text{Al}_{10}\text{Co}_{25}\text{Cr}_8\text{Fe}_{17}\text{Ni}_{36}\text{Ti}_6$: microstructure

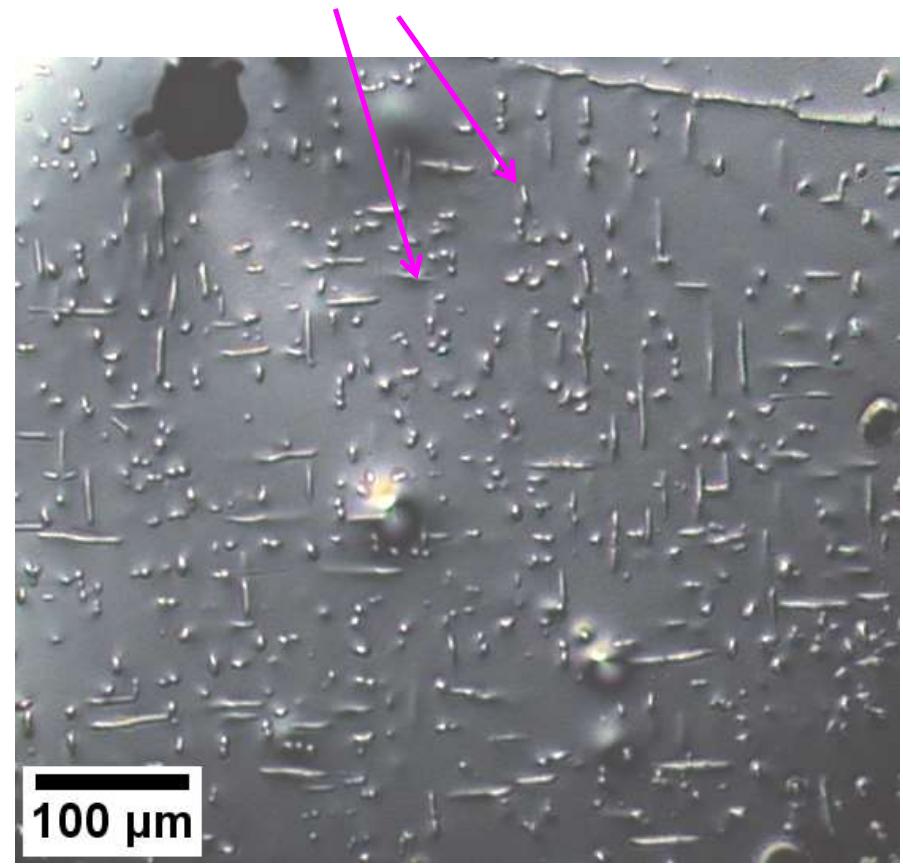
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Ti rich interdendritic regions



OM – as-cast sample

Al rich needle

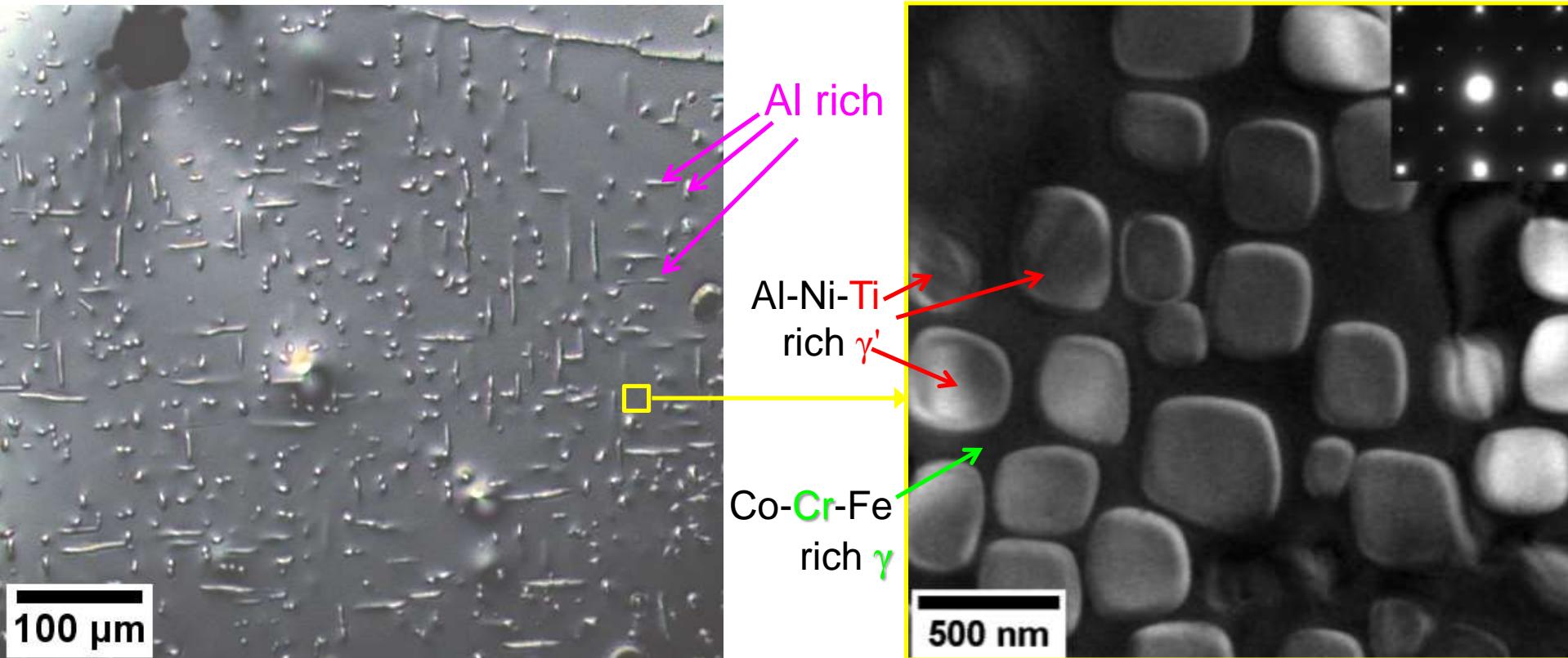


OM – heat treated sample

$\text{Al}_{10}\text{Co}_{25}\text{Cr}_8\text{Fe}_{17}\text{Ni}_{36}\text{Ti}_6$: microstructure

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1220°C 20 h homogenization - 900°C 50 h annealing



OM – overview: needles

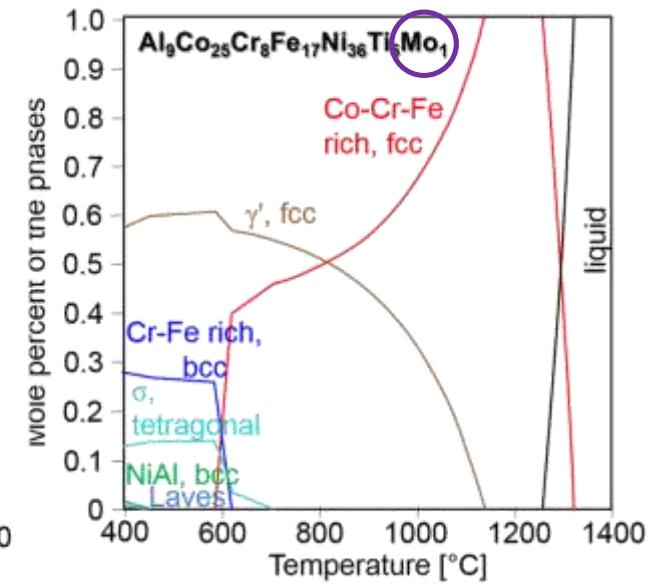
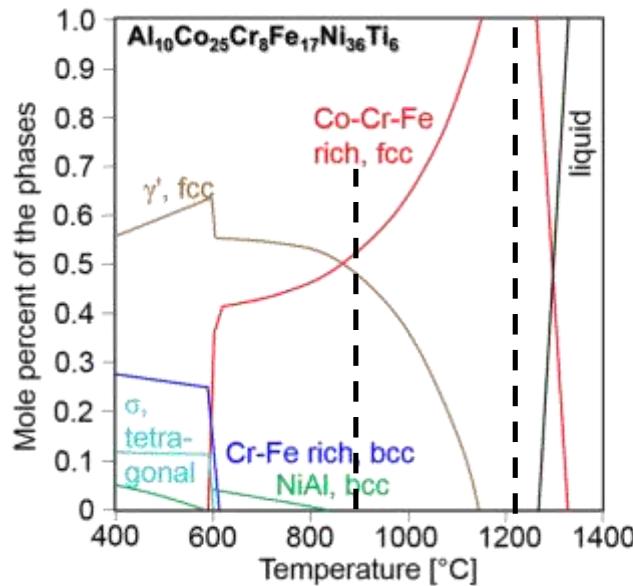
DF TEM: γ' in γ matrix

3 phases: γ , γ' , needles
+ Mo, Zr, Hf, B

ThermoCalc Predictions (TTNi7 database)

Daoud et al., JOM, 2015

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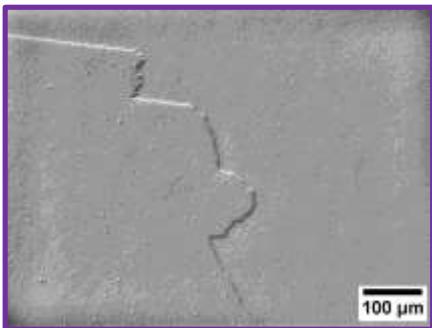


Two phase region:
1. Homogenization at
1220°C
2. Annealing at 900°C

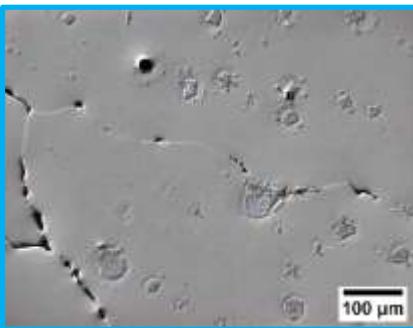
Eutectic closer /
reached!

Homogenization challenges and eutectics

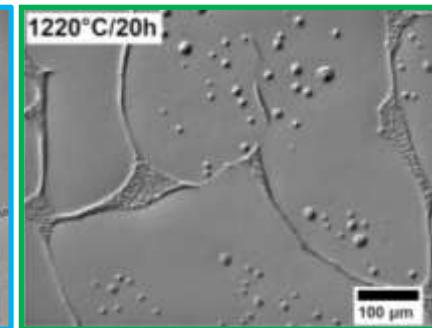
With 1 at.% **Mo**



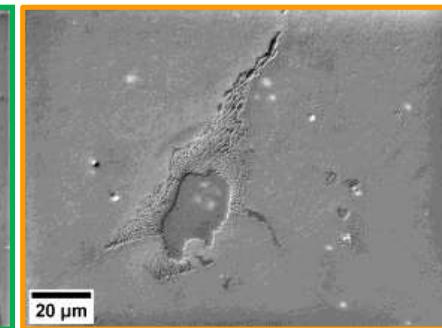
With 1 at.% **Zr**



With 0.5 at.% **Hf**

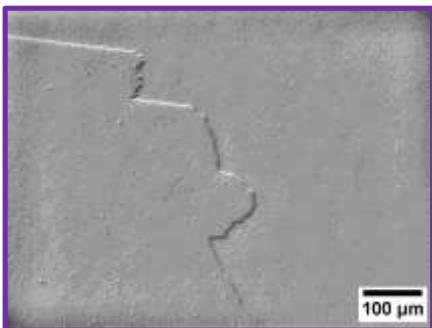


With 0.5 at.% **B**

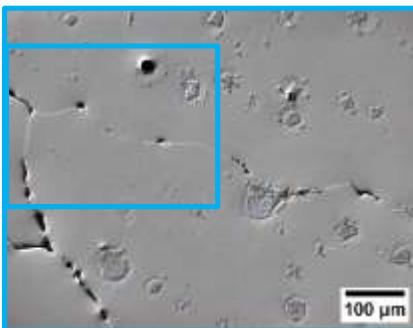


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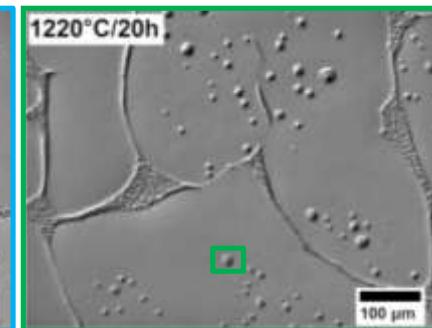
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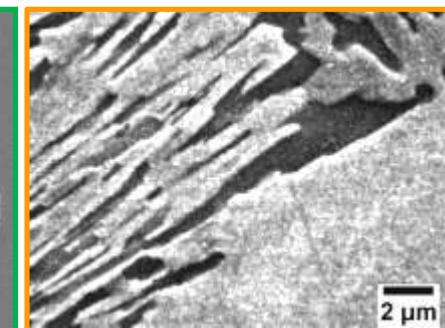
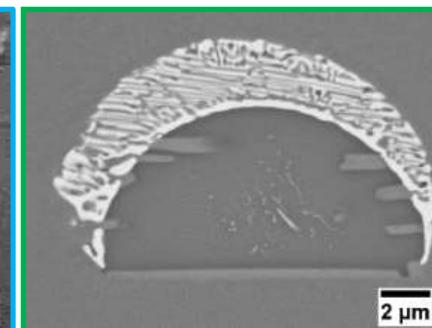
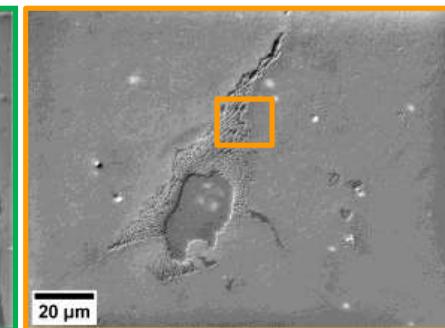
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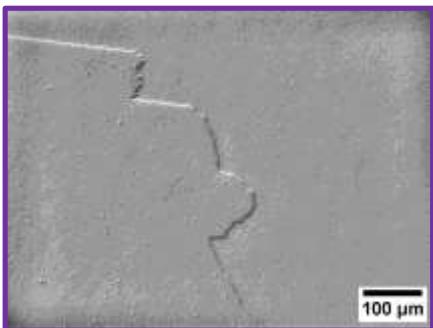


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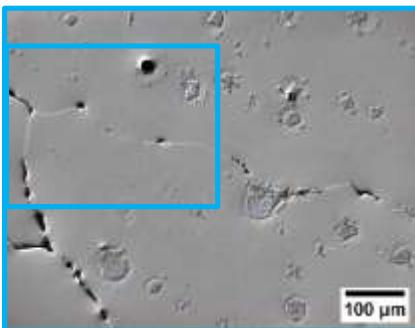


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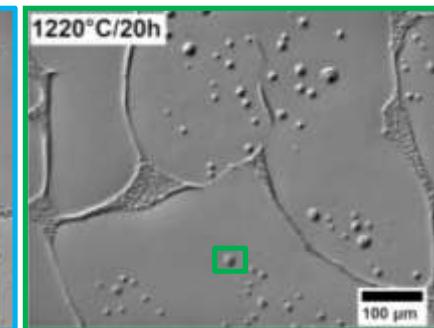
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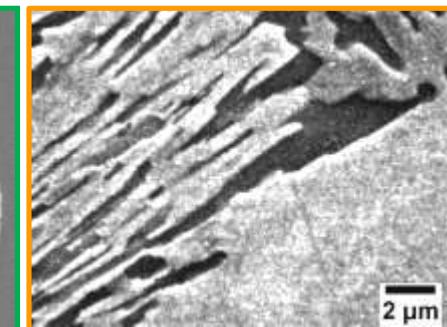
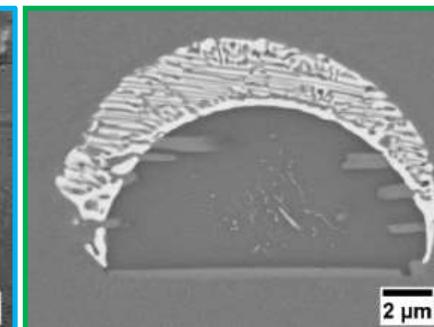
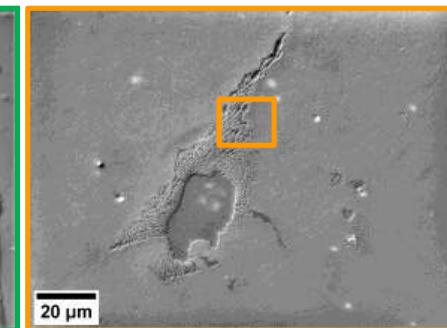
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With 0.5 at.% **B**

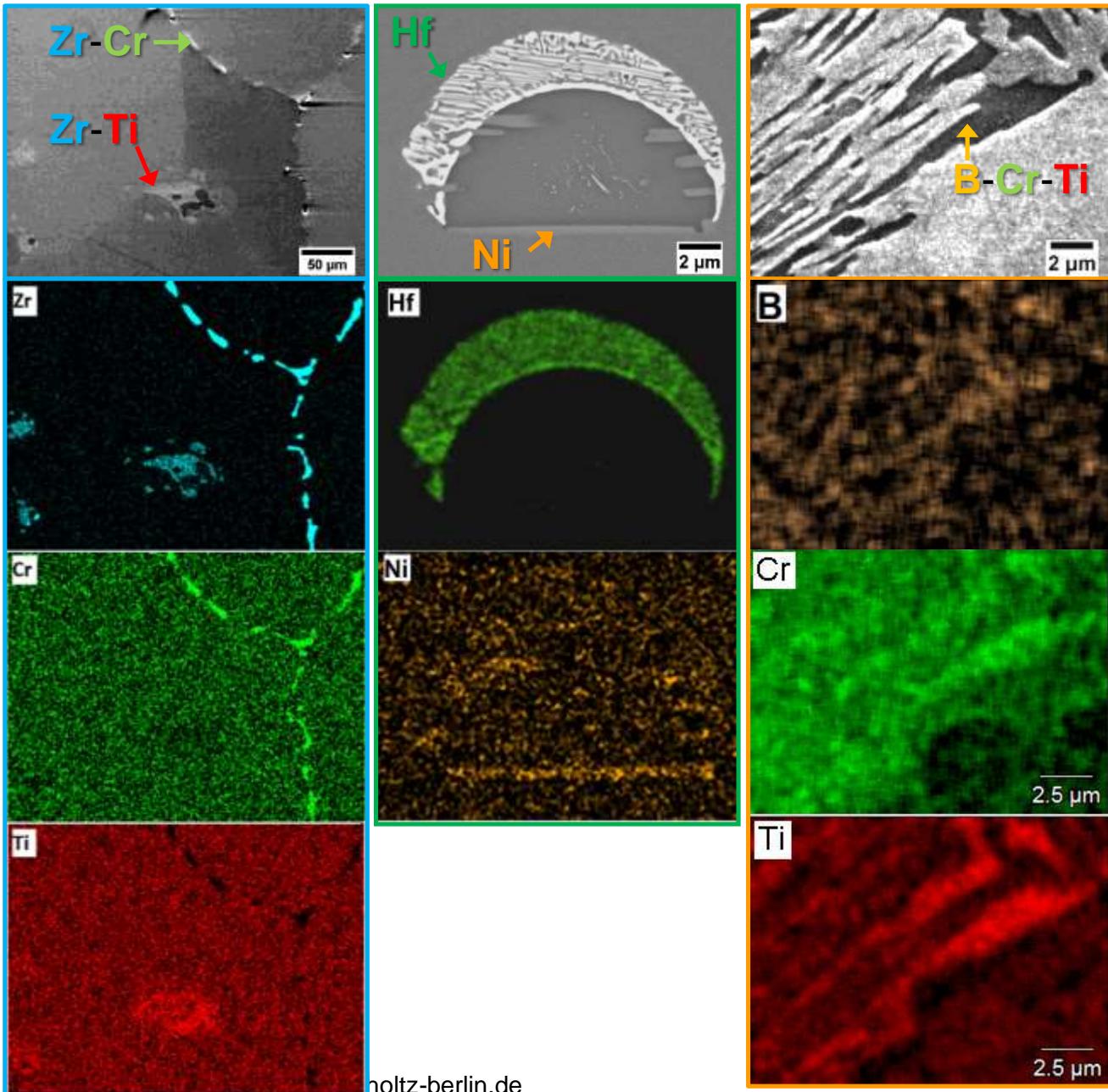


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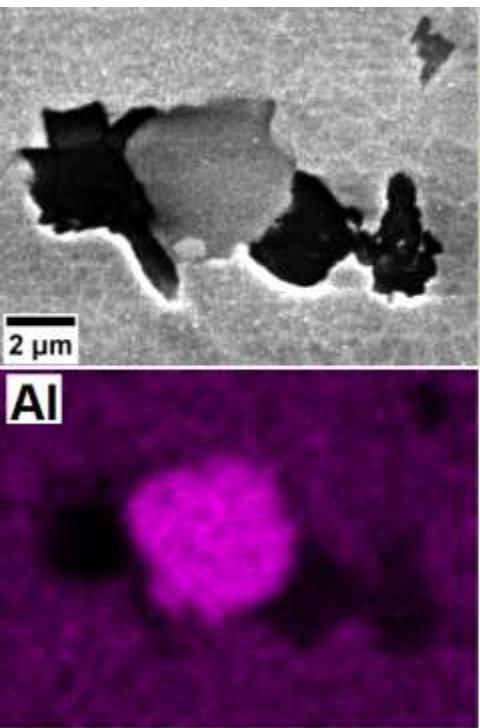
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With 0.5 at.% B



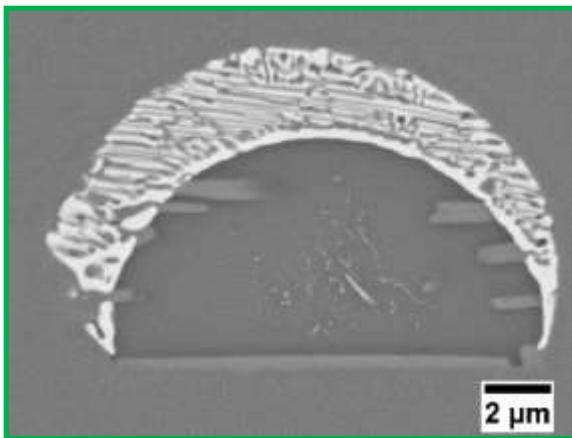
That alloy with B...



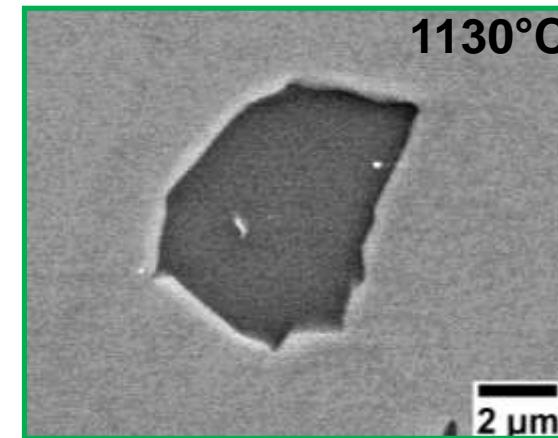
Finding the good homogenization

With 0.5 at.% Hf

Too hot (1220°C)



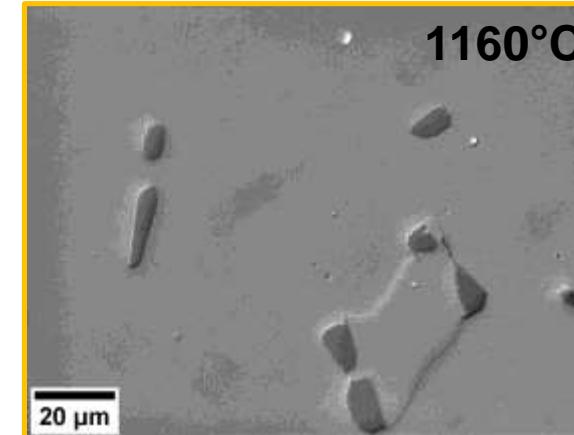
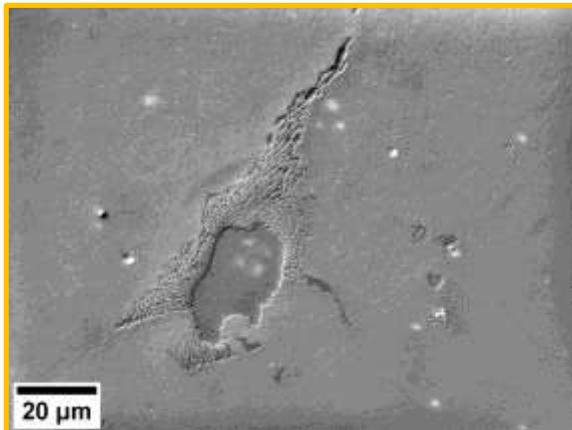
Good temperature



Eutectic phase, enriched
in the trace element

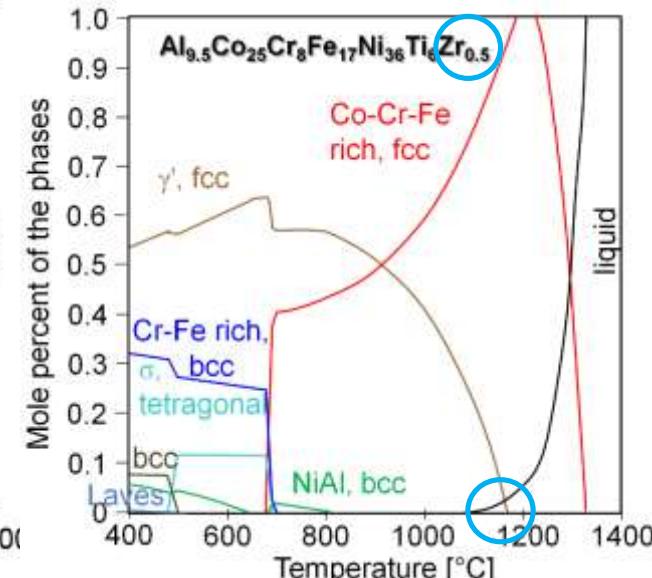
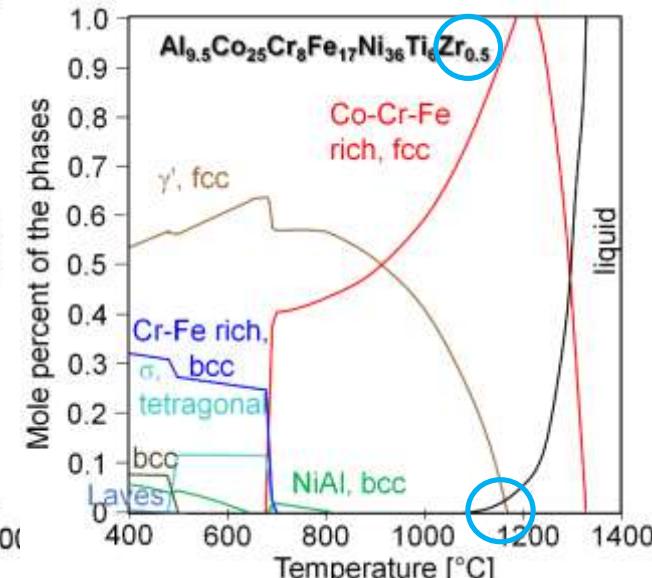
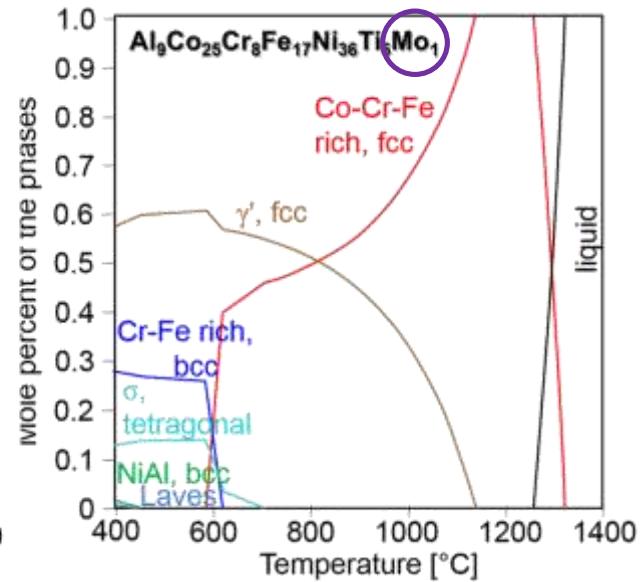
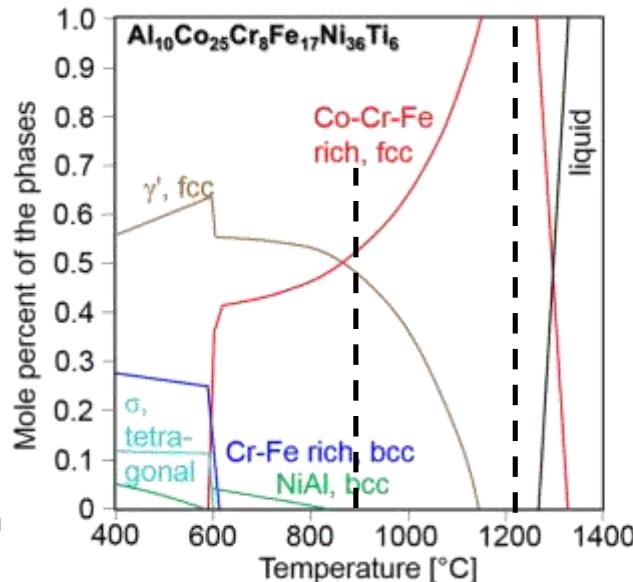
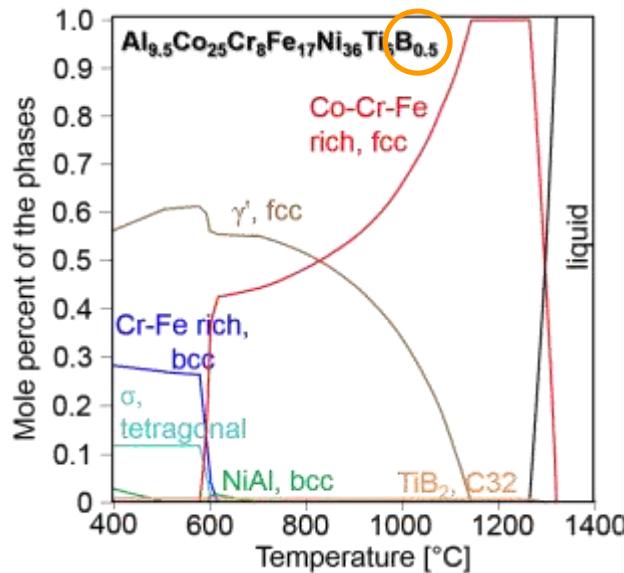
No more eutectic phase!

With 0.5 at.% B



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Daoud et al., JOM, 2015



Phases detected and predicted

Base alloy	With 1 at.% Mo	With 1 at.% Zr	With 0.5 at.% Hf	With 0.5 at.% B
(Too hot) homogenization at 1220°C				
γ γ'	γ γ'	γ γ' needles Zr-Ti rich Zr-Cr rich	γ γ' needles Hf rich Ni rich	γ γ' needles B-Cr-Ti rich
carbides nitrides	carbides nitrides	carbides nitrides	carbides nitrides	carbides nitrides

Mixing enthalpies / atomic radii

Takeuchi et al., Materials Transactions 46(2005)

The values of heat of mixing are quoted as enthalpy of mixing
 mix

$$\Delta H_{\{AB\}}$$

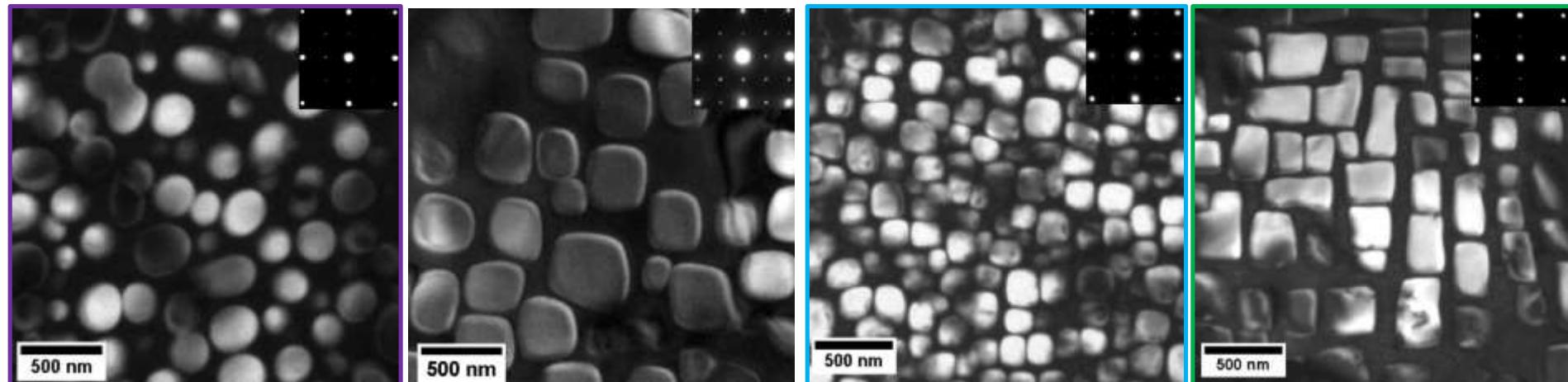
of the binary liquid in an A–B system at an equiatomic composition.

B \ A	Al	Co	Cr	Fe	Ni	Ti
Mo	-5	-5	0	-2	-7	-4
Zr	-44	-41	-12	-25	-49	0
Hf	-39	-35	-9	-21	-42	0
B	0	-24	-31	-26	-24	-58

Atom radii [pm]

Al	Co	Cr	Fe	Ni	Ti	Mo	Zr	Hf	B
143	125	129	126	125	146	140	160	159	80

Comparison γ - γ' microstructure: TEM



With 1 at.% Mo

Pure
 $\text{Al}_{10}\text{Co}_{25}\text{Cr}_8\text{Fe}_{15}\text{Ni}_{36}\text{Ti}_6$

With 1 at.% Zr

With 0.5 at.% Hf



“cubicity”
 γ - γ' lattice misfit
 γ' volume fraction



B still missing...
to be continued

Summary

- Many phases appear after bad homogenization of the alloys with trace elements

