SURFACE PRETREATMENT TEST ON TMR ALUMINUM CHAMBERS BY ELECTRON BOMBARDMENT

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ABSTRACT

To decrease the gas desorption due to synchrotron light, the effect of electron bombardment on chambers was investigated. The effect of factor 3 was observed between the chambers with and without bombardment. The factor was preserved even if the chamber was exposed to an atmosphere.

INTRODUCTION

In the TRISTAN Main Ring (MR), synchrotron light of 2.6 KW/m (30 GeV, 7 mA; e^+ , e^-) is radiated on the aluminum alloy vacuum chambers. The radiation induces photo-electron desorption. The electron desorption rate could be 10^{14} molecules/cm².sec under high surface coverage conditions¹. The pressure rise due to the desorption decreases as beam current time integral increases. It is estimated, however, that the required pressure with beam of the AR could be reached after 10^4 mA.h (1 year) operation². In developing the method for reducing the operation time of the MR to get the required pressure, it is interesting to know if the pressure rise could be reduced by applying pretreatment on vacuum chambers. Electron bombardment was applied on chambers of the MR and the bombarded chambers were exposed to the synchrotron light of the AR.

EXPERTMENT

Electron induced desorption measurements were made with a diode system as shown in Fig.1. A filament was a 30 cm long tungsten ribbon (0.0254 mm x 0.762 mm). Current of the filament was regulated by a power supply (0-50 V). Negative potential of the filament was variable from 0 to -10 KV.

The sample chambers were 30 cm long quadrupole chambers for the MR. They are specially extruded aluminum alloy chambers 3 and were degreased in toluene. The system was evacuated by a 200 1/s turbomolecular pump. After baking, total pressures less than $1 \ge 10^{-9}$ Torr were routinely attained. Total pressure was measured with a B-A gauge. Partial pressures were measured with a quadrupole mass filter (QMF). During measurement, the electron current and the total pressure rise were monitored and the gas species were also analyzed by the OMF.

As shown in Eq.(1), the molecular desorption yield η (molecules/electron) was obtained from the pressure rise, $\Delta P_{tot.}$ (Torr), the electron current, I_e (A), and the pump speed, S (1/s),

(1)





Fig.1 Diode system for electron induced desorption measurements.

After the electron bombardment test, the sample chambers were exposed to the synchrotron light of the AR (2.55 GeV).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Electron bombardment

Fig.2 shows the results of 3 types of electron bombardment test at 5 KV.

Electron bombardment without baking

During the bombardment, the temperature of the chamber increased to 130°C because of heating by the filament. Therefore the chamber was cooled down to 40°C for the first bombardment. The result is shown in Fig.2 with white circles. At the total dose of 500 mA.h (1.3 x 10^{19} electrons/cm^2), η was about 10-3.

Exposure to an atmosphere for 18 hours

The chamber was vented to dry N2 gas. After the chamber was kept to an atmospheric pressure for 18 hours, the second bombardment was applied to the chamber. While the total dose was less than 20 mA.h, desorbed gas was one third of the outgas in the first bombardment. On the contrary, η was 2 x 10^{-3} at the total dose of 20 mA.h or more and approached to the curve of the first bombardment. It is concluded that the bombarded chamber shows lower η even if the chamber was exposed to an atmosphere.



Fig.2 Molecular desorption yield by electron bombardment.

Electron bombardment with baking at 130°C

To make the treatment efficiently, the bombardment at 130 °C (without cooling) was tried. At the total dose of 500 mA.h. the quantity of desorbed molecules was 1.2 x 10^{17} molecules/cm². This value suggests that adsorbed gases on the surface were completely desorbed. Therefore η decreased rapidly on the order of 10^{-4} after the chamber was cooled from 130°C to 40°C. This result shows that electron bombardment at high temperature (130-150°C) is efficient as for the pretreatment.

Synchrotron radiation test on the electron bombarded chambers

To evaluate the effect of the pretreatment, the sample chambers were exposed to the synchrotron light of the AR (2.55 GeV).

For comparison, a chamber with no bombardment was also irradiated by the synchrotron light. The result is shown in Fig.3. Peak height of H2O and CO2 is larger than that of H₂ and CO. The result shows that adsorbed gases on the surface are dominant and that the gas desorption from inside surface is small.

The result of the radiation test on the electron bombarded chamber (500 mA.h) is shown in Fig.4. Because of the exposure to an atmosphere after the bombardment, H₂O was observed during earlier radiation. At the dose of 20 mA.h or more, H2O decreased and H2, CO, and CO2 are dominant. This fact suggests the desorption from the inside , but larger peak of CO shows that the desorption from the surface is more dominant. ΔP_{tot} is low about factor of 3 than that of the chamber with no bombardment. This is the effect of the pretreatment, which is not so large as we expected from the electron bombardment test.

The radiated chamber was exposed to an atmosphere for 30 hours, and then radiated again. The result is shown in Fig.5. $\Delta P_{tot.}$ is nearly the same in both cases (Fig.4 and Fig.5). From this fact it can be concluded that the chambers memorized the radiated and/or electron bombarded effects. The data of partial and total pressures began to decrease at 10^2 mA.h as shown in these figures. Further experiment with much higher dose is necessary to confirm if the tendency is the similar effect shown by other experiment4.

In these three results, peak height of CO₂ is rela-tively high. It is not clear whether CO₂ came from the tungsten filament or not. It must be paid attention that the chambers should not be contaminated by the element.

CONCLUSIONS

Surface pretreatment by electron bombardment was tried on the TMR A1 chambers to reduce the photo-induced desorption. Bombardment effect was memorized after exposed to an atmosphere. The difference in $\boldsymbol{\eta}$ is factor of 4. Radiated and/or electron bombarded effect was also memorized after the exposure. The difference in ΔP_{tot} . is factor of 3. Although further experiment is needed, the electron bombardment is promising as for the pretreatment of the TMR vacuum chmbers.

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Fig. 3 Partial and total pressures of the no bombarded.



Partial and total pressures of the bombarded. Fig.4



Partial and total pressures of the exposed for Fig.5 30 hours after bombarded 500 mA.h.