

# Tailoring hydrogenation, thermodynamic properties and oxidation resistance of TiFe alloy by only regulating stoichiometric ratio of Ti and Fe elements

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## 1. The picture of the home-made Sieverts-type apparatus

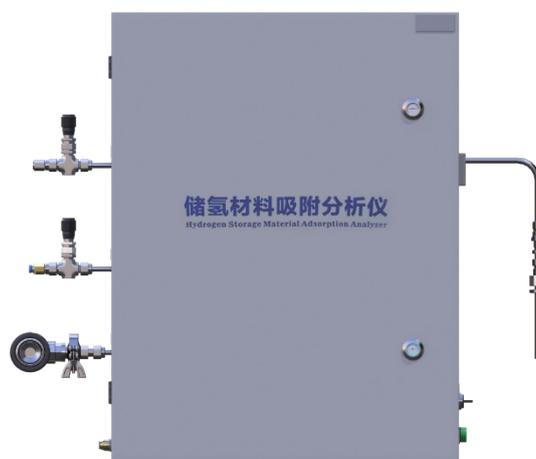


Fig.S1- The picture of the home-made Sieverts-type apparatus

## 2. Apparent Activation energy of hydrogen absorption

This is an example process for calculating the apparent activation energy using the Arrhenius equation.

$$\ln k = \frac{-E_a}{RT_p} + \ln A \quad (1)$$

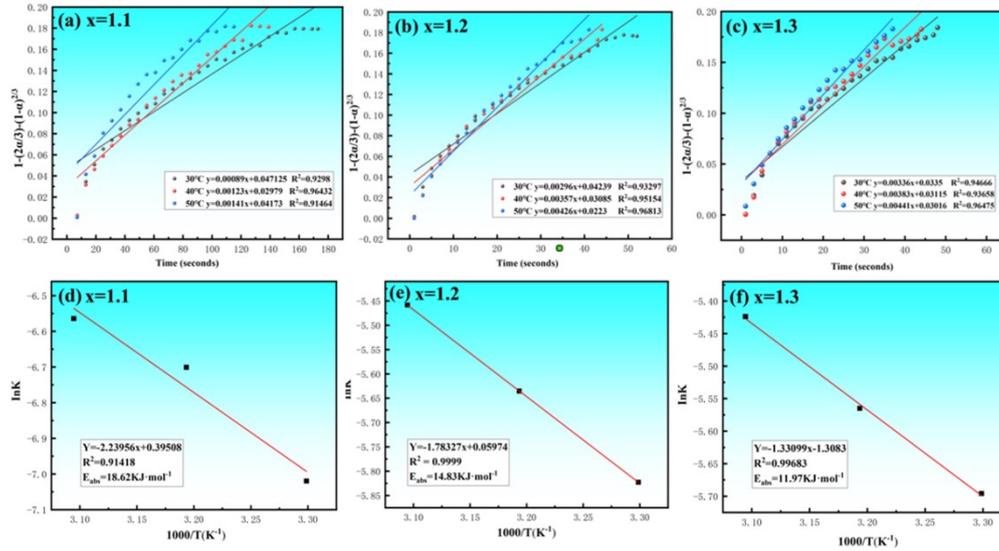


Fig.S2- GB3D-fitted hydrogen absorption curves of  $Ti_xFe_{2-x}$  ( $x = 1.1, 1.2, 1.3$ ) alloys at different temperatures (a-c). Arrhenius fitting of  $Ti_xFe_{2-x}$  ( $x = 1.1, 1.2, 1.3$ ) alloys (d-f).

Taking the alloy with  $x=1.1$  as an example, the activation energy ( $E_a$ ) was calculated based on the Arrhenius equation. The natural logarithm of the rate constant  $K(\ln K)$  obtained from the linear fitting in Fig. 11a (values: 0.00089, 0.00123, 0.00141) was plotted against  $1000/T$ . According to  $\ln k = -E_a/RT + \ln A$ , the slope of the fitted line is  $-E_a/R$ . With a slope of  $-2.23956$  and the gas constant  $R=8.314 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ , the apparent activation energy of the hydrogen absorption was calculated to be  $18.62 \text{ kJ/mol}$ .

### 3. Activation energy of hydride decomposition

This is an example process for calculating the activation energy of hydride decomposition using the Kissinger equation.

$$\ln \frac{\beta}{T_p^2} = C - \frac{E_a}{RT_p} \quad \#(2)$$

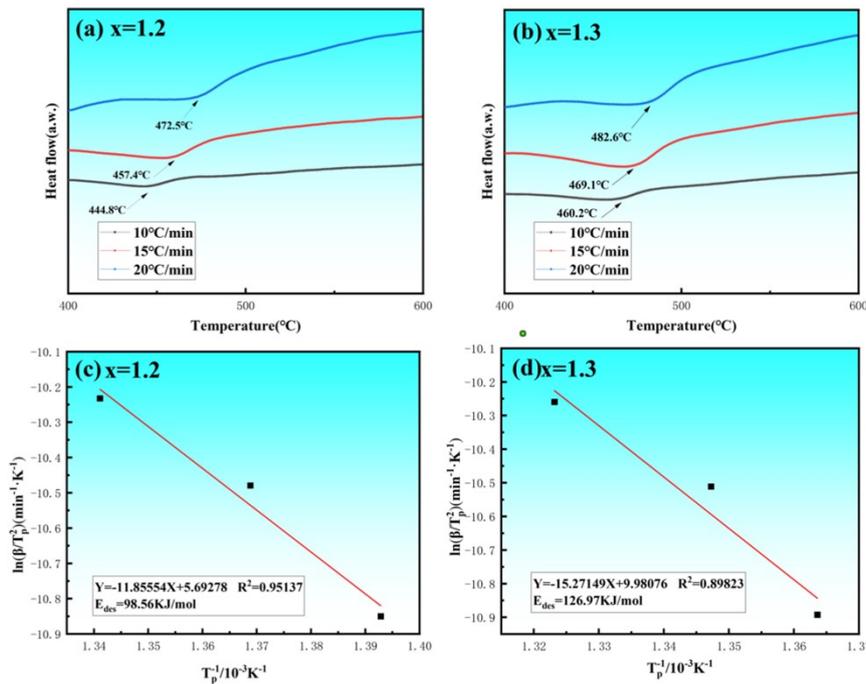


Fig.S3 – DSC curves of  $x=1.2$  and  $x=1.3$  alloys at different heating rates (a-b). Fitted curves by using Kissinger equation of  $x=1.2$  and  $1.3$  alloys (c-d).

Taking the alloy with  $x=1.2$  as an example, the decomposition activation energy ( $E_a$ ) of the hydride was calculated using the Kissinger method. Three heating rates ( $\beta = 10, 15, 20$  °C/min) were adopted, and the corresponding peak temperatures ( $T_p$ ) of hydride decomposition were determined as 472.5 °C, 457.4 °C and 444.8 °C, respectively. A linear fitting was performed by plotting  $\ln(\beta/T_p^2)$  versus  $1/T_p$ . According to the Kissinger equation  $\ln(\beta/T_p^2) = C - E_a/(RT_p)$ , the slope of the fitted line is  $-E_a/R$ . With a slope of -11.85554 and the gas constant  $R=8.314$  J·mol<sup>-1</sup>·K<sup>-1</sup>, the decomposition activation energy was calculated to be 98.5 kJ/mol.

#### 4. Thermodynamic parameter calculation

This is an example process for calculating the thermodynamic parameters (enthalpy change  $\Delta H$  and entropy change  $\Delta S$ ) of hydride decomposition using the Van't Hoff equation.

$$\ln\left(\frac{P_{eq}}{P_0}\right) = \frac{\Delta H}{RT} - \frac{\Delta S}{R} \quad (3)$$

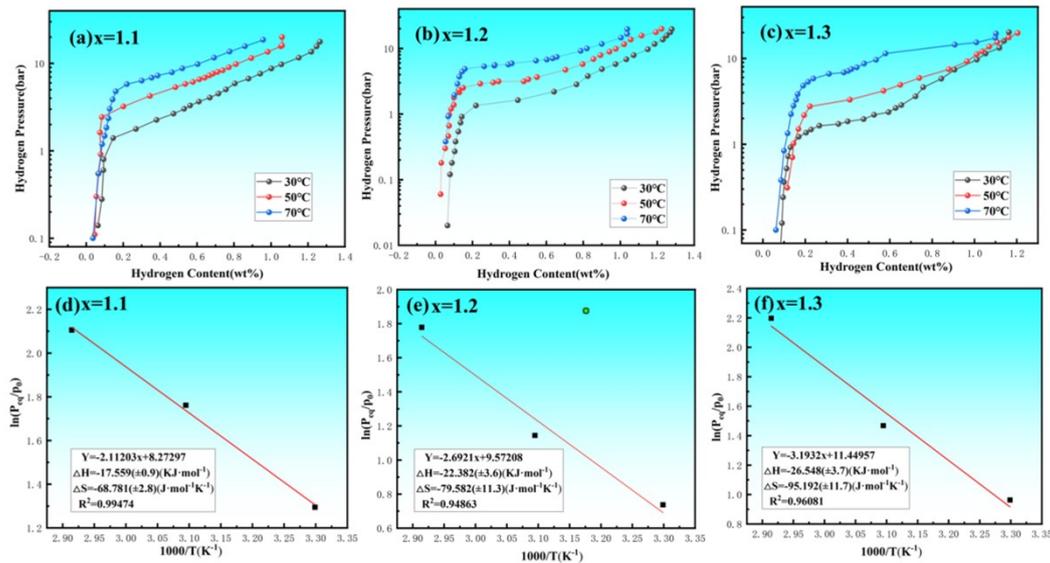


Fig.S4 – PCT curves at different temperatures (a–c) and Van't Hoff fitting plots for Ti<sub>x</sub>Fe<sub>2-x</sub> (x=1.1, 1.2, 1.3) alloys (e–f).

Taking the alloy with x=1.1 as an example, the thermodynamic parameters (enthalpy change  $\Delta H$  and entropy change  $\Delta S$ ) were calculated using the Van't Hoff equation. The equilibrium plateau pressures ( $P_{eq}$ ) at 30, 40 and 50 °C were measured, and  $\ln(P_{eq}/P_0)$  ( $P_0$ : standard atmospheric pressure) was plotted against  $1000/T$ . According to  $\ln(P_{eq}/P_0) = \Delta H/RT - \Delta S/R$ , the slope and intercept of the fitted line correspond to  $-\Delta H/R$  and  $\Delta S/R$ , respectively. With a slope of  $-2.11203$  and an intercept of  $8.27297$ , the enthalpy and entropy changes were calculated as  $\Delta H = -17.56 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$  and  $\Delta S = -68.78 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$  ( $R = 8.314 \text{ J}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-1}$ ).