



Rôle de la chimie de surface sur les propriétés des matériaux pour accélérateur : conditionnement et émission électronique secondaire



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Contexte : l'exemple du LHC



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Main objectives

 \rightarrow Mitigation of detrimental collective effects inside the beam lines

 \rightarrow Influence of the surface chemistry on these phenomena + modification of the surface chemistry under irradiation



LHC beam screen samples







Oxygen-Free Electronic copper colaminated onto stainless steel.

OFE copper = 99.99% pure copper with 0.0005% oxygen content to avoid undesirable chemical reactions with other materials



- high electric conductivity
- high thermal conductivity
- low outgassing rate
- non-magnetic material

dimensions: $5 \times 5 \times 2$ mm thick from the CERN's stock.

5 mm

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Analysis of technical surfaces



there are always contaminants deposited on the surface + native oxide layers (Cu₂O et Cu(OH)₂)
investigated surfaces in accelerators are technical surfaces (and not pure Cu surfaces)

Rôle du carbone (via les molecules hydrocarbonées initialement presentes) ?

Rôle des oxydes/hydroxydes natifs de cuivre ?

Sur le SEY



SEY measurements and conditioning in lab



- base pressure: 5x10⁻¹⁰ mbar
- pulsed electron beam
- energy range 10 to 1500 eV
- During measurement I= qques nA
- During conditioning: I=5 μA
- SEY error (about 10%), since elastically backscattered electrons can escape
- beam spot 2.8 mm in diameter during conditioning









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 $\delta(E)$ decreases with increasing electron dose

in agreement with the literature e.g [R. Cimino et al J. of Electron Spectr. Related Phenomena, 2020]

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XPS analysis

X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy



We are mainly interested in the chemical modifications of Cu, O and C induced by e- irradiation (main elements detected on the copper surface).



XPS



Adventitious carbon (C-O, O-C=O) is removed by electron irradiation

Modification of the C hybridization induced by electron irradiation Shift from C-C bonds (sp3) to C=C bonds (sp2) \rightarrow in agreement with the literature [*R. Cimino et al, 2020*]

 \rightarrow For the first time, this phenomenon was investigated by TOF-SIMS (plateform ANDROMEDE/IJClab)



Carbon evolution?

MeV-TOF-SIMS



XPS



TOF-SIMS : a graphitic (graphene) carbon layer is formed on the surface of the fully conditioned sample (with a large amount of H).

XPS : Modification of the C hybridization : from C-C bonds (sp3) to C=C bonds (sp2) compatible with a graphite structure.

→ Carbon from organic compounds initially present on the surface is transformed into a graphite layer (0.5 nm) by e- irradiation.



 \rightarrow SEY of carbon is intrinsically lower than the one of copper

→ Carbon thin film deposited on Cu beam pipe walls is a solution to mitigate the electron cloud build up in the LHC [P. Pinto Costa, IPAC2014]



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pure Cu (cleaned, without pollutants)



The conditioning of a sputter-cleaned copper sample results in a δ_{max} decrease from 1.44 to 1.32 and only a small amount of carbon is observed on the surface after conditioning

The ultimate δ_{max} of the cleaned sample after conditioning (1.32) remains still much higher than the one obtained for the conditioning of an air exposed sample (1.1).

The formation of graphitic carbon appears to be necessary to decrease δ_{max} down to the ultimate value observed on an as received sample



Cu oxide evolution?



Modification of Copper oxides after electron bombardment: Cu hydroxide

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Depth (nm) estimation from the etching time

- 1) A graphitic carbon layer is first detected at the extreme surface. The graphitic C layer contains O and H of \approx 0.5 nm thick .
- At a larger depth, the oxide layer (Cu₂O) is observed of ≈1.4 nm thick.
- 3) The copper oxide disappeared and the metallic Cu is detected at a depth larger than 2 nm, and finally metallic Cu is present.

 \rightarrow Does the presence of the oxide layer influence the SEY of Cu?



The SEY : contribution of the extreme surface





Influence of the Cu oxide layer on SEY?



- The SEY curve for Cu₂O has a different shape as the one of Cu Beam screen
- Cu₂O oxide can be conditioned by e- irradiation

Cu Beam screen

Heat load from the e-cloud in the LHC



Giovanni Iadarola, CERN E-CLOUD workshop 2018

- heat load is inhomogeneous along the ring

- machine appears to be splitted into two parts: arcs 34, 45, 56 and 67 have an average heat load lower that for arcs 12, 23, 78 and 81

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- CuO was detected (and not the native oxide Cu₂O) in High Heat Load parts !

CuO is responsible for the higher SEY observed on this sample (responsible for the high heat loads measured in some arcs) Where does CuO come from??

The influence of copper oxides on the conditioning is an important issue for the LHC

Influence de la nature de dépôts ALD sur le SEY du « Nb »



> Importance des analyses de surface pour comprendre la relation entre la chimie de surface et :

- (i) la pression dynamique dans les accélérateurs (conditionnement)
- (ii) le processus d'émission d'électrons secondaires (multipacting dans les cavités SRF et lignes de faisceau)
- Une modification sur quelques nm de profondeur peut avoir des conséquences extrêmement importantes sur les propriétés de surface
- > Il est important de développer des bâtis d'analyses en laboratoire adaptés pour répondre à ces problématiques

Perspectives R&D:

(i) Influence de l'épaisseur de dépôt (dépôt C) + rôle de CuO sur le SEY du Cu (LHC)

(ii) Nature/épaisseur de dépôts ALD : études exploratoires pour identifier d'autres matériaux antimultipacting que TiN (nitrures métalliques ou carbure): thèse en collaboration avec le SIMAP/LPSC (Grenoble)

(iii) Influence de l'épaisseur et la microstructure de **dépôts NEG** sur son efficacité (pompage distribué et antimultipacting/WP Vacuum pour FCC-ee)

(iv) Acquisition de bâtis d'analyses multitechniques (EQUIPEX PACIFICS) pour renforcer les équipements de la plateforme Vide&Surfaces de IJCLab





Thanks for your attention

