

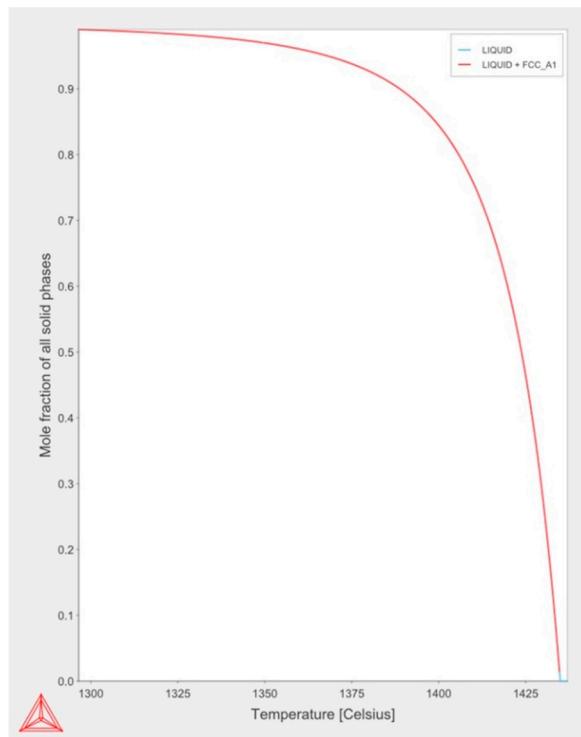
# Improving the Dimensional Stability and Mechanical Properties of AISI 316L + B Sinters by Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> Addition

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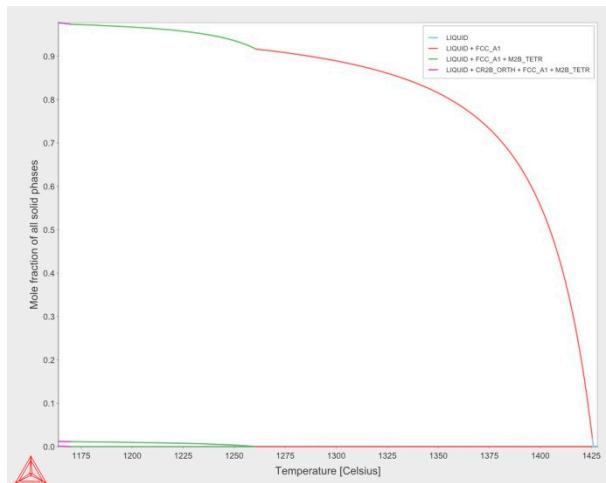
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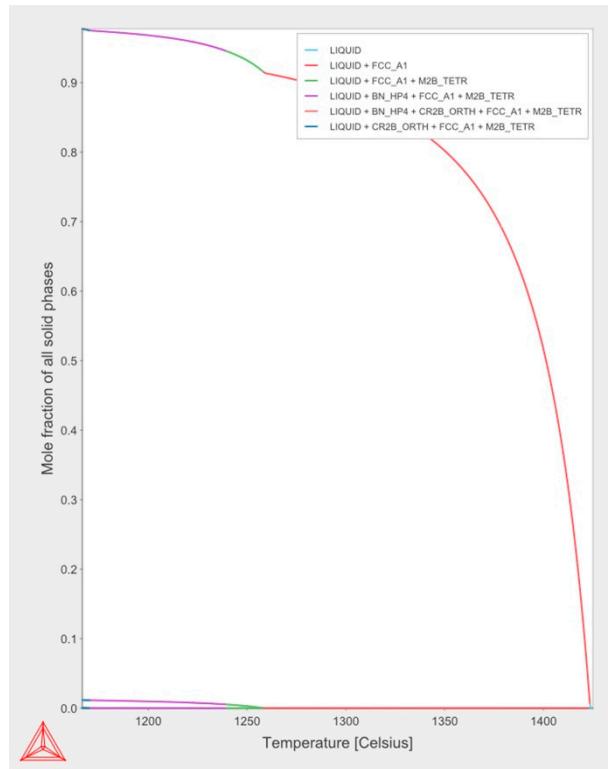
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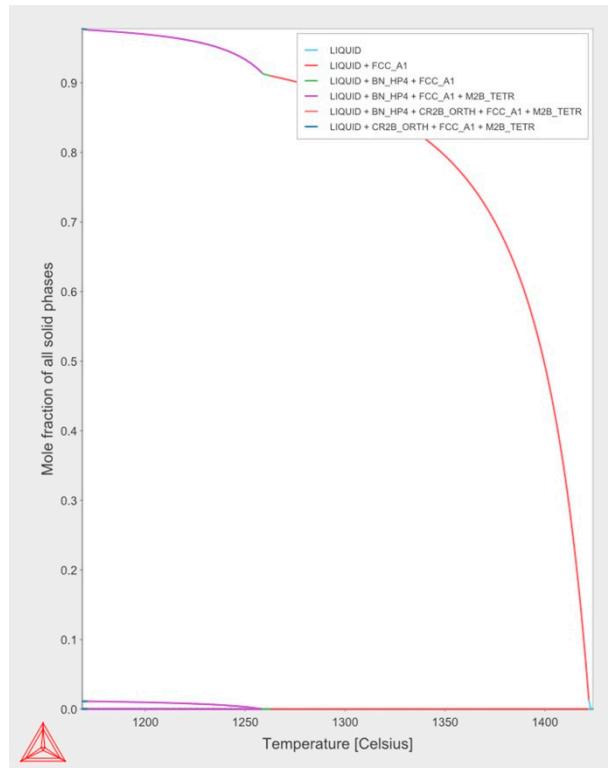
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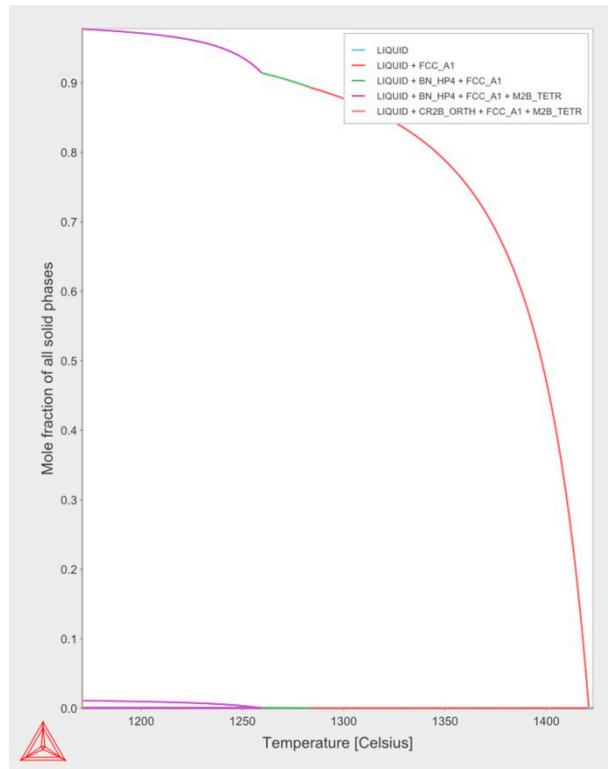
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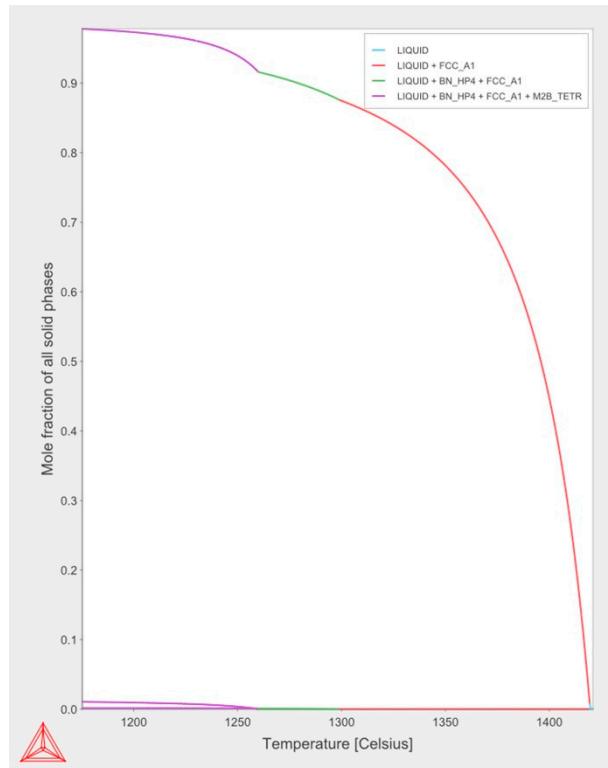
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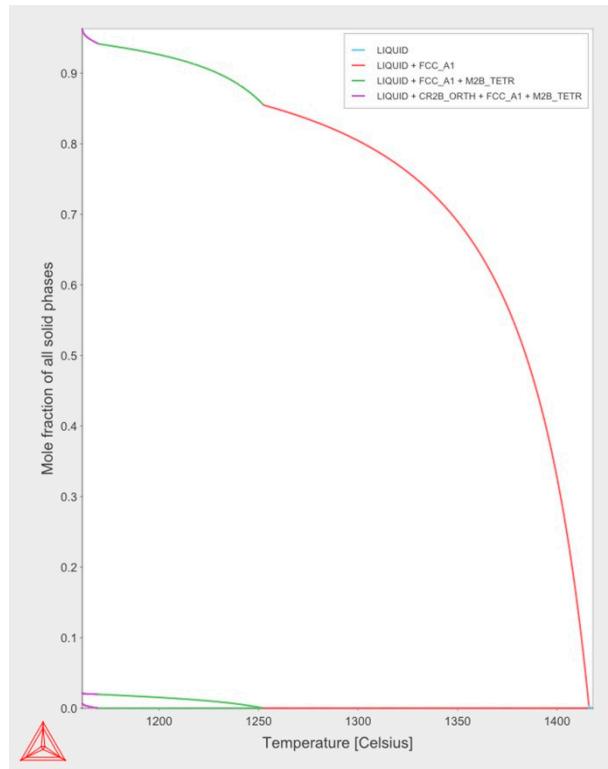
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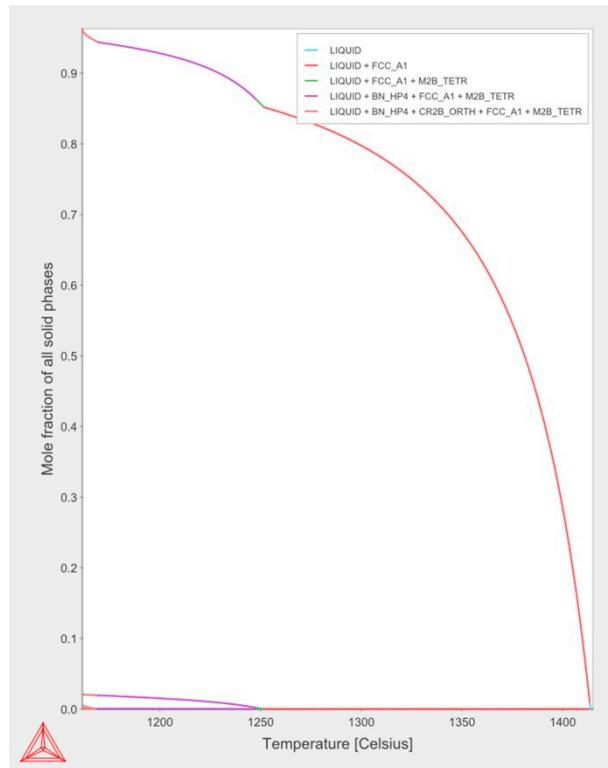
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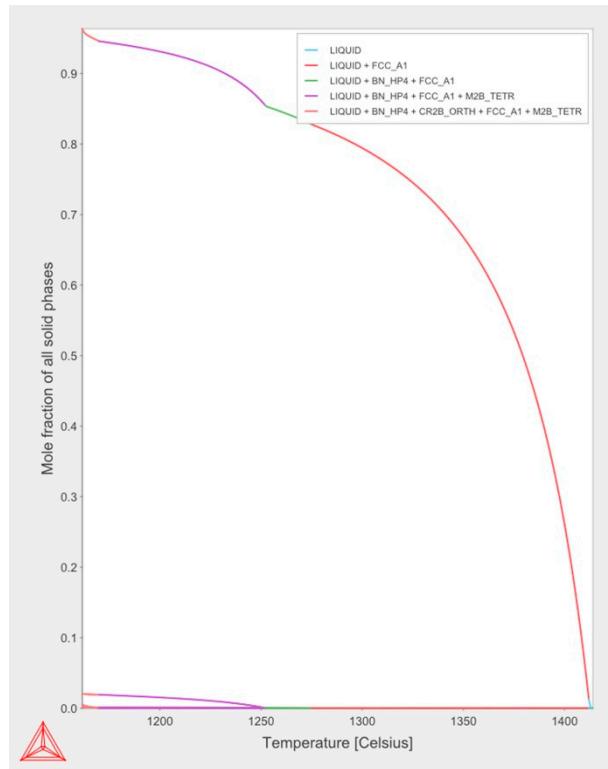
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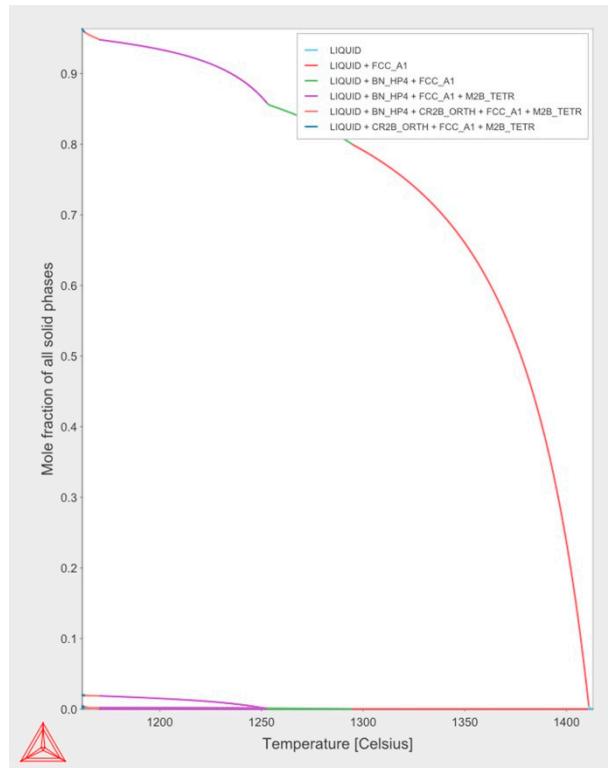
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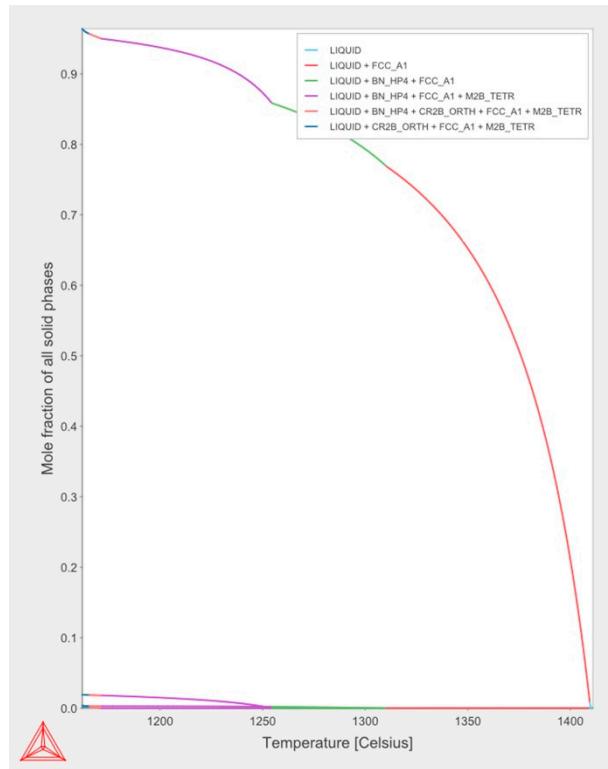
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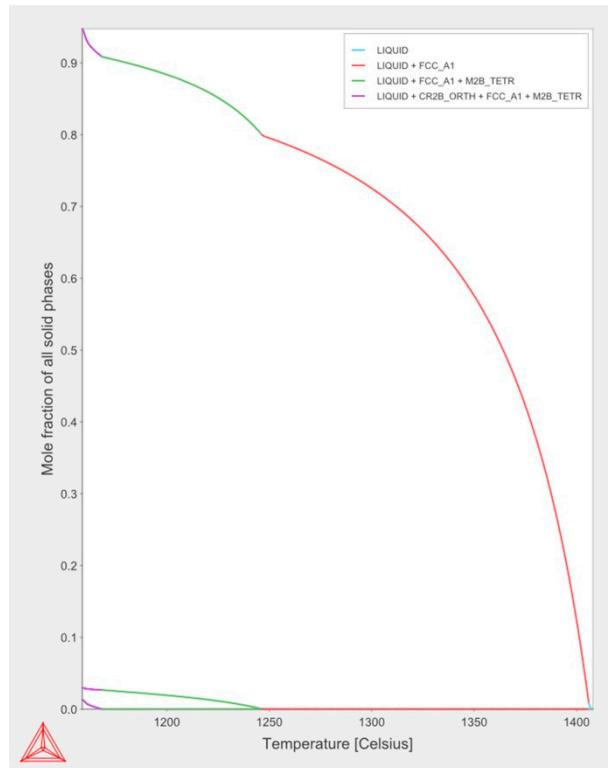
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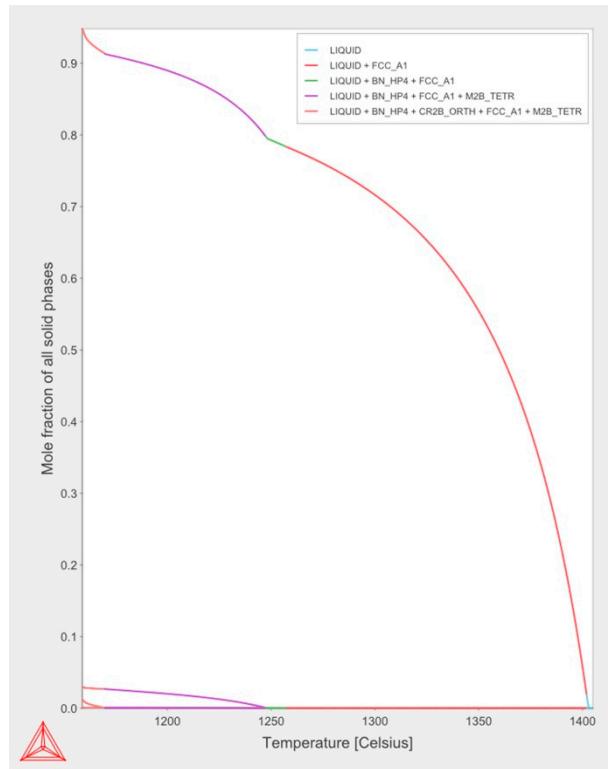
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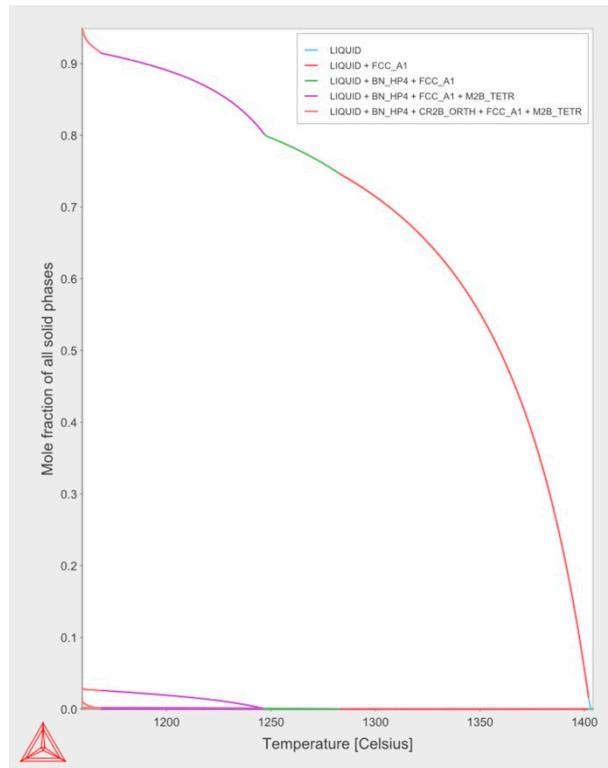
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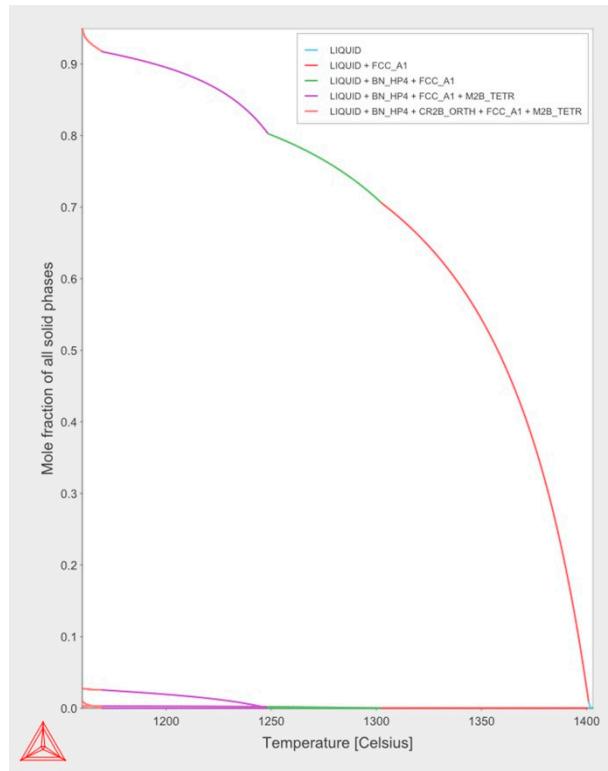
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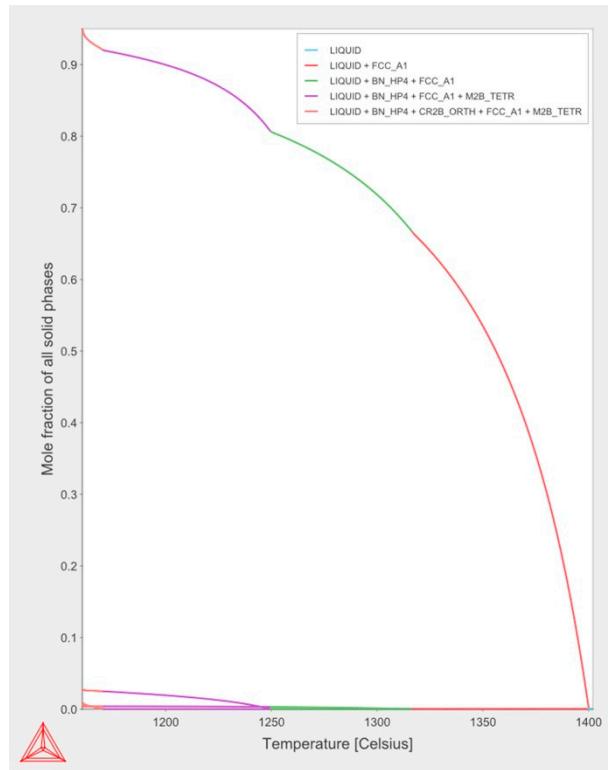
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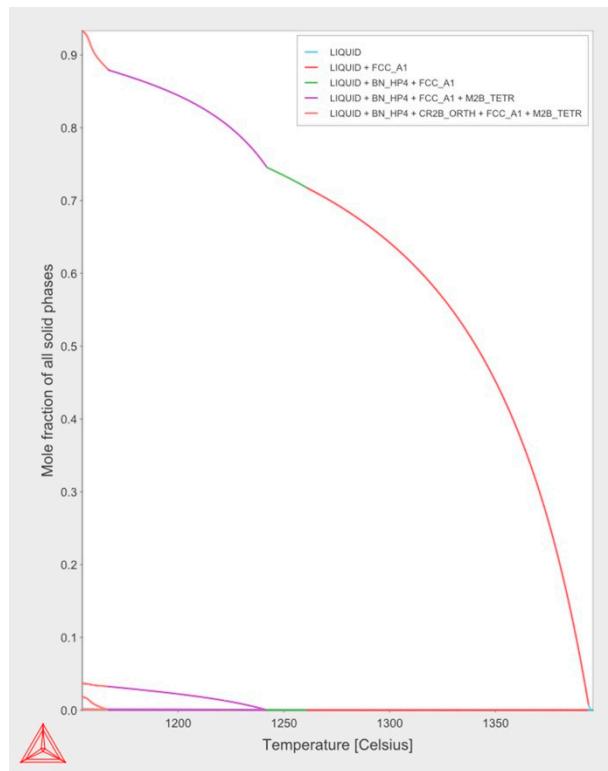
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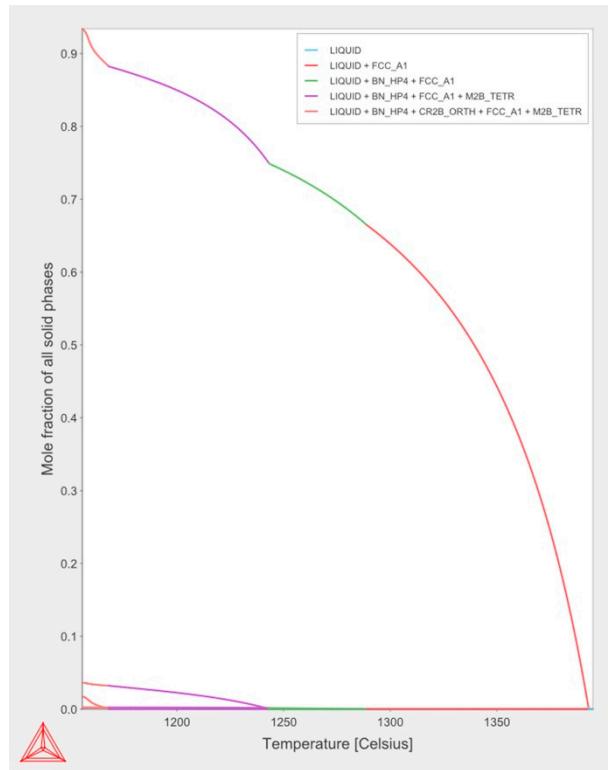
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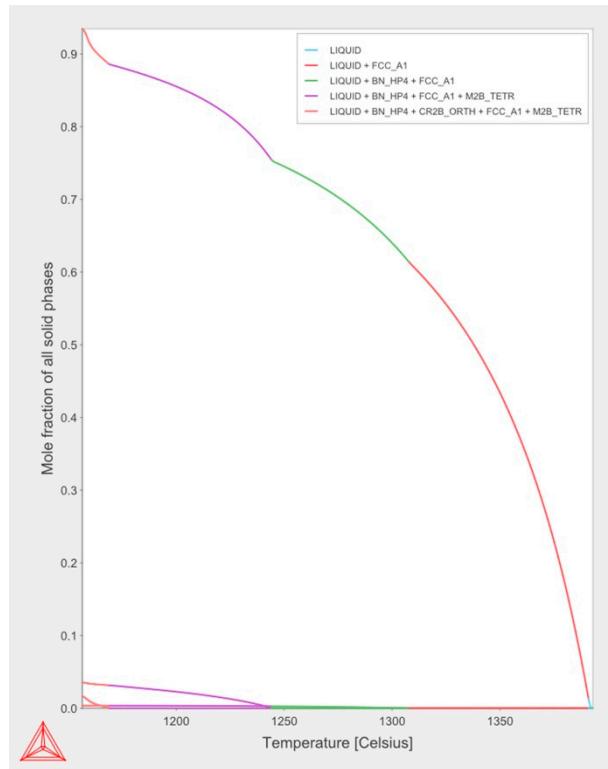
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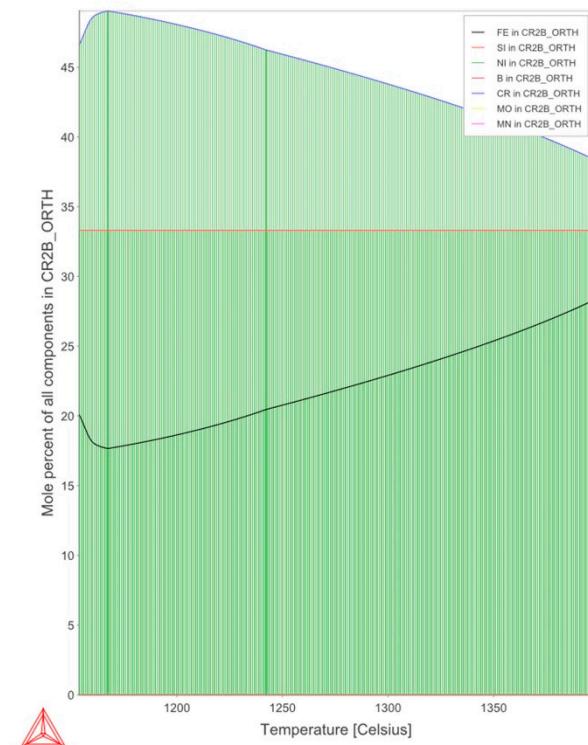
**Figure S17.** Scheil–Gulliver solidification plot of sample 4-2.



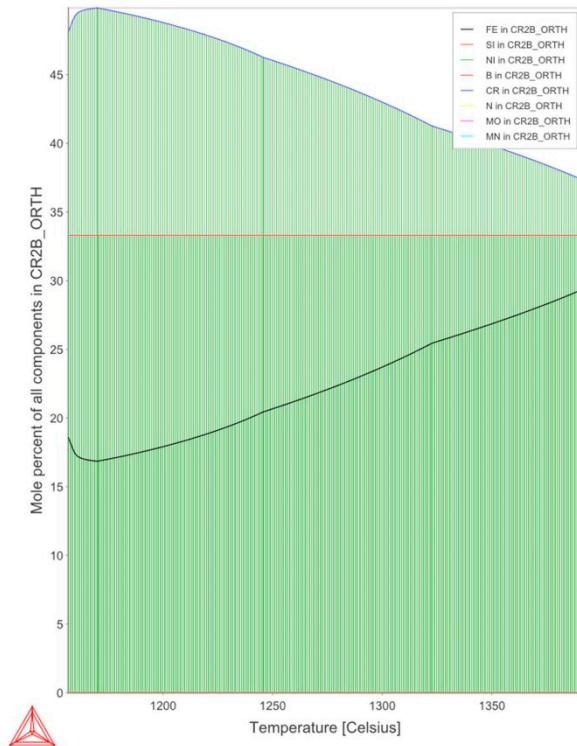
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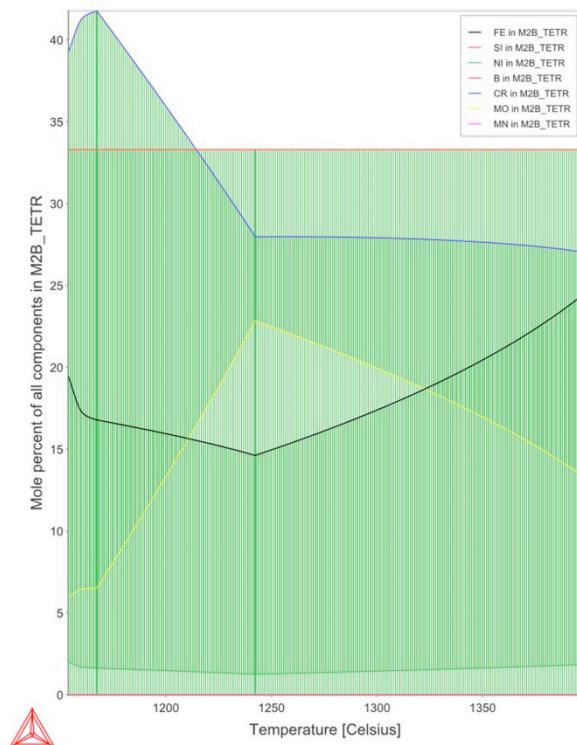
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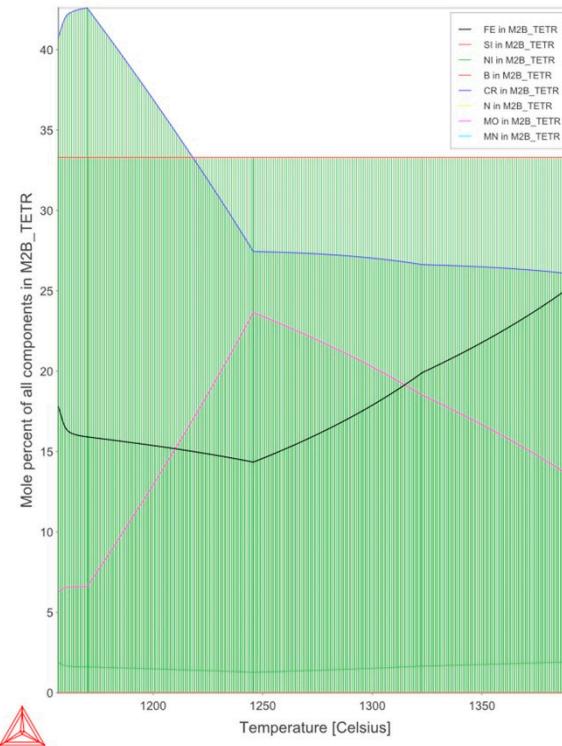
**Figure S20.** The composition of Cr<sub>2</sub>B in sample 4-0.



**Figure S21.** The composition of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{B}$  in sample 4-8.



**Figure S22.** The composition of  $\text{M}_2\text{B}$  in sample 4-0.

**Figure S23.** The composition of M<sub>2</sub>B in sample 4-8.**Table S1.** The calculations of secondary phases amount depending on the chemical composition of the samples.

	Description of samples																					
	0-0	1-0	1-2	1-4	1-6	1-8	2-0	2-2	2-4	2-6	2-8	3-0	3-2	3-4	3-6	3-8	4-0	4-2	4-4	4-6	4-8	
Phase amoun	M <sub>2</sub> B	0.0001	1.1661	1.1681	1.1521	1.1010	0.9862	1.2620	0.0682	1.0581	1.9941	1.9282	2.9532	2.9652	2.8522	2.7902	2.7273	3.7833	3.7203	3.6143	3.5403	3.452
t / mole %	Cr <sub>2</sub> B	0.0000	0.1170	0.0750	0.0620	0.0260	0.0000	0.7040	0.5890	0.5430	0.4740	0.4341	1.3221	1.1811	1.0861	1.0451	1.0172	1.0241	1.8791	1.7371	1.6311	1.556
	BN	0.0000	0.0000	0.0250	0.0740	0.1040	0.0770	0.0000	0.0750	0.1260	0.2120	0.3070	0.0000	0.1260	0.1850	0.2800	0.4110	0.0000	0.1600	0.2550	0.3790	0.490

**Table S2.** The influence of boron and silicon nitride on the relative density of cylindrical samples.

Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /B mass ratio / -	Boron addition / wt%				
	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4
0.0	78.95±0.19	81.17±0.22	82.63±0.22	90.14±0.25	93.01±0.26
0.2	-	80.90±0.22	84.56±0.23	91.13±0.25	91.93±0.26
0.4	-	80.36±0.21	84.75±0.23	90.90±0.25	92.57±0.26
0.6	-	80.56±0.21	82.60±0.23	90.61±0.25	88.97±0.24
0.8	-	79.96±0.21	81.47±0.22	88.10±0.24	85.83±0.23

**Table S3.** Corrosion current of selected samples as a function of porosity.

Description of samples	I <sub>corr</sub>	I <sub>corr</sub> st.dev.	E <sub>corr</sub>	E <sub>corr</sub> st.dev.
	μA		mV	
0-0	18.86	1.271	-305.2	1.144
2-0	6.15	0.475	-315.8	0.330
4-0	0.63	0.066	-272.4	8.674
4-4	4.52	0.051	-338.7	7.270
4-8	8.39	4.624	-320.7	5.564

**Table S4.** Maximum dimensional distortions of Ø20 × 5 mm cylindrical samples as a function of boron and silicon nitride additions.

	Boron addition / wt %				
	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4
Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /B mass ratio / -	0.0	20±10	10±10	130±10	360±10
	0.2	-	50±10	120±10	350±10
	0.4	-	20±10	100±10	370±10
	0.6	-	20±10	80±0.01	320±10
	0.8	-	60±10	80±10	200±10

**Table S5.** Density change of prismatic samples in the boron and silicon nitride addition functions.

	Boron addition / wt %				
	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4
Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /B molar ratio / -	0.0	79.62±0.19	77.71± 0.18	79.72±0.19	82.52±0.18
	0.2	-	79.14±0.18	79.04±0.19	82.16±0.18
	0.4	-	77.76±0.19	79.86±0.18	81.12±0.19
	0.6	-	79.65±0.19	79.97±0.18	82.05±0.19
	0.8	-	77.48±0.18	80.35±0.19	80.91±0.19

**Table S6.** Hardness as a function of boron addition for different silicon nitride additions.

Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> addition / wt %	Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /B wt ratio / -	Boron addition / wt %			
		0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4
0	0	62.9 ± 2.4	58.9 ± 3.0	71.1 ± 0.9	132.3 ± 2.1
0.08	0.2	71.4 ± 3.0	60.5 ± 1.4	74.5 ± 2.0	146.3 ± 6.0
0.16	0.4	69.6 ± 4.4	74.0 ± 1.3	88.0 ± 2.4	154.7 ± 5.2
0.24	0.6	66.9 ± 5.1	69.9 ± 2.0	108.7 ± 12.4	148.7 ± 0.9
0.32	0.8	64.0 ± 0.7	77.9 ± 2.9	123.0 ± 5.4	154.3 ± 6.9

**Table S7.** Influence of Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> and boron additions on transverse rupture strength (TRS).

	Boron addition / wt %				
	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4
Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub> /B mass ratio / -	0.0	457±9	544±11	587±13	728±12
	0.2	-	529±11	656±9	711±11
	0.4	-	548±7	670±17	720±18
	0.6	-	524±15	634±11	791±6
	0.8	-	563±15	658±14	847±15