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Corrective Action 1671
Carondelet Division
Corrective Action Type NCR
Date 4-10-06 Revised 6-2-06 DRAFT
CA Originator C. Ruud
Applies to: A-6 Coil

Description of Defect / Non-Conformance

Test bar from zone 1 failed elongation at -320 F. Result was 20% versus a minimum of 32%. The original set of three bars, Z-1, Z-2 and Z-3 were sent for testing. Z-1 failed for elongation, 26% vs 32% minimum and Z-3 failed for elongation 19% vs 32% minimum. All other results were acceptable. Retests were ordered. The second results were similar. Z-1 failed for elongation, 25% vs 32% minimum and Z-3 failed for elongation 13% vs 32% minimum, but broke outside the gauge length. The third set of bars was tested. Z-3 passed and Z-1 failed for elongation, 20% vs 32% minimum, but broke outside the gauge length. All other test results were acceptable. See attached test reports. A fourth set of 3 test bars were tested. All results were acceptable. See last report. Please note that the identification of these bars was not readable, but it is believed that they came from zones 1, 2 and 3.

Our experience with cryogenic tensile testing is that it is very sensitive to a multitude of variables. Therefore our experience is to retest and the material passes on the retest. The timing of this testing is that it typically takes three to four weeks to get results. Also we do not have the opportunity to view the bar prior to sending more material for a retest.

To determine if any of the failed test for A-6 coil contained defects all the test bars from the first two sets of testing were photographed. See attached report 06M0467. Only the last test bars showed a flaw. This sample failed outside the gauge length. Only one half of the bar was available as the laboratory disposed of the portion set earlier for grain size analysis.

Root Cause

See attached report, with attachments.

Corrective Action

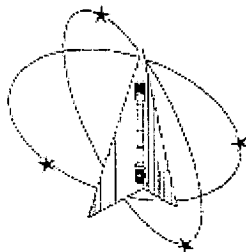
Use A-6 as is.

Actual Completion Date

Completed 4/20/06.

Signed: C. Ruud

CC: B. Craig, J. Edwards, E.J. Kubick, J. Markham, J. Galaske

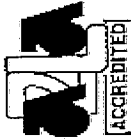


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Section 1 of 1
 WMTR Report No. 0-23047
 P.O. No. 19383
 Regulation No. 7531

CERTIFICATION

March 9, 2005

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Attended: Jim Galeske

Subject: All processes, performed upon the material as received, were conducted at WMTR, Inc. in accordance with the WMTR Quality Assurance Manual, Rev. 9, dated 4/1/2000.

The following tests were performed on this order: TENSILE

TENSILE RESULTS: ASTM E21-05

Requirements: UTS ksi (Min 95Max ---) 0.2% YS ksi (Min 72Max ---) 4D Elong. % (Min 32Max ---) Modulus Msi (Min 21Max ---)

SOAK TIME: 5 Minutes

SPEED OF TESTING: 0.003 in./in./min., 0.05 in./in./in.

MATERIAL: 316 SIS

Coll No.	Specimen No.	TestLog Number	Temp. °F	UTS ksi	0.2% YS ksi	Elong. %	RA %	Modulus Msi	Ult. Load lbf	0.2% YLD. lbf	4D Orig. GL (in.)	4D Final GL (in.)	Orig. Dia. (in.)	Final Dia. (in.)	Orig. Area (sq. in.)	Machine Number	AUJR
A6	Z2	018313	-520	163.7	100.1	61	41	26.0	15730	9616	1.40	2.25	0.09610135	0.09610135	M9	A	A

DISPOSITION: Acceptable

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A9	Z1	018312	-520	101.1	108.9	26	50	26.7	15470	10450	1.40	1.76	0.09610441	0.09610441	M9	U	
A8	Z3	019314	-520	157.5	111.2	19	28	30.9	18140	10590	1.40	1.67	0.09610135	0.09610135	M9	U	

DISPOSITION: Unacceptable

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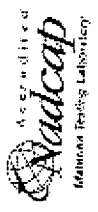
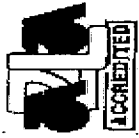
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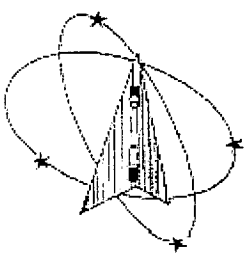
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April 3, 2006

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Section 1 of 1
 WMTAR Report No. 6-25662
 P.O. No. 19303
 Requisition No. 7530

Attention: Jim Galante

Subject: All processes, performed upon the material as received, were conducted at WMTAR, Inc. in accordance with the WMTAR Quality Assurance Manual, Rev. 8, dated 4/1/2000.
 The following tests were performed on this order: TENSILE

TENSILE RESULTS: ASTM E21-05

Requirements: UTS ksi (Min 95Max →) 0.2% YS ksi (Min 72Max →) 4D Elong. % (Min 32Max →) Modulus Msi (Min 21Max →)
 SOAK TIME: 5 Minutes

SPEED OF TESTING: 0.003 In./in./min., 0.05 In./min./in.

MATERIAL: Metaltek CF8MNMWOD

Coil No.	Specimen Number	Temp. °F	UTS ksi	0.2% YS ksi	Elong %	RA %	Modulus Msi	Ull. Load lbf	0.2% YLD. lbf	Orig. Dia. (in.)	Final Dia. (in.)	4D Orig. GL (in.)	4D Final GL (in.)	Orig. Area (sq. in.)	Final Area (sq. in.)	Machine Number	Machine AUIR
A5	Z2	320	168.2	99.8	58	14	28.9	7672C	5877	0.3554	0.2672	1.40	2.21	0.000982340	0.000982340	148	A

DISPOSITION: Acceptable
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TENSILE RESULTS: ASTM E21-05

Requirements: UTS ksi (Min 95Max →) 0.2% YS ksi (Min 72Max →) 4D Elong. % (Min 32Max →) Modulus Msi (Min 21Max →)
 SOAK TIME: 5 Minutes

SPEED OF TESTING: 0.003 In./in./min., 0.05 In./min./in.

MATERIAL: Metaltek CF8MNMWOD

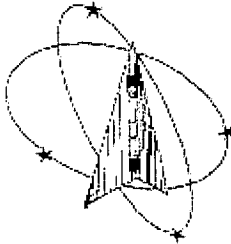
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A6	Z1	320	105.1	106.1	25	26	27.5	—	16050	10450	0.3528	0.3024	1.40	1.75	0.00065180	0.00065180	M9	U
A6	Z3	320	129.7	105.2	13	19	27.9	D	12540	10470	0.3608	0.3153	1.40	1.58	0.00065160	0.00065160	M2	U

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Requirements provided by Metaltek International:
 D - Rupture on inside middle half of gage length.

M. J. Galante
 Technical Services Manager
 4-3-06
 April 3, 2006

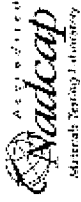
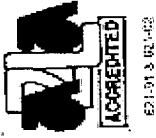
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WMT&R Report No. 6-20780
 P.O. No. 19386
 Requisition No. 7560

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April 10, 2006

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Attention: Jim Galasko
 Subject: All processes, performed upon the material as received, were conducted at WMT&R, Inc. in accordance with the WMT&R Quality Assurance Manual, Rev. 9, dated 4/1/2000.

The following tests were performed on this order: TENSILE

TENSILE RESULTS: ASTM E21-05
 Requirements: UTS ksi (Min 95Max →) 0.2% YS ksi (Min 72Max →) 4D Elong. % (Min 32Max →) Modulus Msi (Min 21Max →)

SOAK TIME: 5 Minutes

SPEED OF TESTING: 0.003 in./in./min., 0.05 in./in./in.

MATERIAL: Metaltek CF8MNMNMOD

Coil No.	Specimen No.	Test Log Number	Temp. °F	UTS ksi	0.2% YS ksi	Elong. %	RA %	Modulus Msi	Ult. Load lbf	0.2% YLD. lbf	Orig. Dia. (in.)	Final Dia. (in.)	4D Orig. GL (in.)	4D Final GL (in.)	Orig. Area (sq. in.)	Final Area (sq. in.)	Machine Number	AUIR
A6	Z2	D38883	-320	155.8	100.6	35	31	26.6	10070	9774	0.3513	0.2923	1.40	1.90	0.09692731	0.09692731	M9	A
A6	Z3	D38884	-320	150.9	93.7	44	41	25.5	13840	9049	0.3507	0.2686	1.40	2.02	0.09685650	0.09685650	M9	A

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TENSILE RESULTS: ASTM E21-05

Requirements: UTS ksi (Min 95Max →) 0.2% YS ksi (Min 72Max →) 4D Elong. % (Min 32Max →) Modulus Msi (Min 21Max →)

SOAK TIME: 5 Minutes

SPEED OF TESTING: 0.003 in./in./min., 0.05 in./in./in.

MATERIAL: Metaltek CF8MNMNMOD

Coil Specimen No.	Test Log Number	Temp. °F	UTS ksi	0.2% YS ksi	Elong. %	RA %	Modulus Msi	Cosets	U/L Load lbf	0.2% YLD. lbf	Orig. Dia. (in.)	Final Dia. (in.)	4D Orig. GL (in.)	4D Final GL (in.)	Orig. Area (sq. in.)	Final Area (sq. in.)	Machine Number	AUIR
A6	Z3	D38882	-320	104.7	103.2	20	23	26.0	13030	5700	0.3510	0.3084	1.40	1.68	0.09575184	0.09575184	M9	U

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 D - Replaced coil into middle half of gage length.

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Addendum to CA 1671

Effect of Solidification Microstructure on Tensile Properties of Stellaloy

J. Edwards and C. Ruud, MetalTek International

Overview

The development of "Stellaloy" by MetalTek International commenced in 2003 with the modification of the base 316 material primarily for magnetic permeability requirements. Initial results demonstrated that this material is extremely robust mechanically at both ambient and cryogenic temperature ranges. Tensile properties gathered from integrally cast test specimens poured with the modules have shown variability. While most have far exceeded the specification minima, outliers have shown to demonstrate reduced elongation.

Background

Initial tests on the C5 casting showed that the elongation was lower in test bars associated with Zone 1 than in other areas of the casting. Repeat tests showed the same result (Table I). Based on this result, the microstructure of the test specimen was examined and characterized compared to other test bars integral to the same modular coil casting. Results are shown in figures Lab report 05M1167, Figures 1, 2 and 3.

Similarly, testing of the A6 casting has shown a lower elongation in the test specimens associated with Zone 1. Testing was repeated in specimens from the same zone with reproducible results (25-26% elongation at 77K), although one test demonstrated a 20% elongation with breakage outside the gauge. Results of this test are shown in Table II and associated microstructures in Figures contained in WMTR#6-26780.

The tensile test variation seems to demonstrate correlation to microstructure with finer grains and heavily dendritic structures showing lower elongation. Other properties are generally well above specification for both samples.

The attached test specimens from the production coils are machined to a 0.350" diameter ("sub size" or SS) bar. The strain rate on the production components is 0.003 in/in/min to yield and 0.05 in/min/in to fracture.

Analysis

The test specimens are attached to metal feeders ("risers") in the modular coil casting mold. The attachment of these test specimens is largely determined by convenience due to accessibility of the feeder and orientation to a natural interface between mold components (cope, drag, and cores). Metal is introduced into the mold through a series of ceramic tubes from any of 3 ladles and mixes naturally upon entry into the mold cavity.

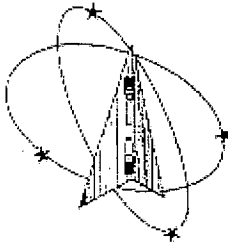
Attached test specimens are filled by the molten metal at different temperatures and at different elapsed time from mold filling onset. The combination of elapsed time and geometric location of the attached specimens results in a range of solidification structures based on the superheat of the metal entering the specimen as well as the rate of heat extraction from the metal through the sand wall due to mold temperature surrounding the specimen (Table III). In general, cooler metal temperatures favor multiple nucleation sites while cooler mold temperatures promote nucleation at an accelerated rate on the mold

surface. Hotter metal temperatures result in fewer nucleation sites and more growth of individual grains during solidification.

Results

1. The properties measured from attached test specimens vary; however, exceed the specification minima in most cases.
2. Isolated test bars have shown depressed elongation values of approximately 25-29%. Microstructural analysis of these test bars demonstrate that the microstructure is generally fine grained and may or may not contain heavily dendritic structure.
3. Test bar structure is the result of solidification physics of the test material and not associated with physical differences of Zone location.
4. Stellalloy continues to test well across a variety of microstructures at both 77K and RT.

Table III	High Metal Temperature	Low Metal Temperature
High Mold Temperature	Little incentive for nucleation and low thermal gradients. Large columnar grains.	Multiple nucleation sites within material, but little thermal gradient to mold. Creates finely dispersed equiaxed structure within metal with little correlation to mold wall.
Low Mold Temperature	Strong dendritic structure with multiple mold surface nucleation sites. Relatively "fine" appearance of closely spaced dendrites.	Multiple nucleation sites with primary sites on mold walls. Intraspecimen nucleation as solidification progresses. Broken dendritic with equiaxed.



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Section 1 of 1
 WMT&R Report No. 8-27410
 P.O. No. 10386
 Requisition No. 7560

Attention: Jim Galeško

Subject: All processes, performed upon the material as received, were conducted at WMT&R, Inc. in accordance with the WMT&R Quality Assurance Manual, Rev. 9, dated 4/1/2000.
 The following tests were performed on this order: MICRO and TENSILE

TENSILE RESULTS: ASTM E21-05

Requirements: UTS ksi (Min 95)Max → 0.2% YS ksi (Min 72)Max → 4D Elong. % (Min 32)Max → Modulus Hsi (Min 21)Max →

SOAK TIME: 5 Minutes

SPEED OF TESTING: 0.003 in./in./min., 0.05 in./min./in.

MATERIAL: Metaltek CF8M1NMOO

Call No.	Specimen	Temp. °F	UTS ksi	0.2% YS ksi	Elong %	RA %	Modulus Msi	Ult. Load lbf	0.2% YLD. lbf	Orig. Dia. (in.)	Final Dia. (in.)	4D Orig. GL (in.)	4D Final GL (in.)	Orig. Area (sq. in.)	Machine Number	AVUR
A6	Z1	-320	167.3	95.8	64	65	25.8	15150	9252	0.3506	0.2082	1.40	2.30	0.00654142	M9	A
A6	Z2	-320	167.1	97.0	54	60	24.8	15180	9384	0.3511	0.1585	1.40	2.15	0.00681696	M9	A
A6	Z3	-320	189.4	115.2	51	44	31.7	18300	11220	0.3507	0.2620	1.40	2.12	0.00550663	M9	A

DISPOSITION: Acceptable
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Attention: Chuck Ruud

REPORT OF ANALYSIS

MATERIAL: 6 Ea. Pulled Tensile Specimens Of Coil NO. A-6

SUBJECT: Fracture Examination

PROCEDURE AND RESULTS:

The fracture surface for each sample was examined using a stereomicroscope.

Microscopic examination of the fracture surface of the round 1, zone 1 sample disclosed no visible evidence of voids or inclusions. The typical appearance of the fracture surface is shown in Figures 1 and 2.

Microscopic examination of the fracture surface of the round 1, zone 2 sample disclosed no visible evidence of voids or inclusions. The typical appearance of the fracture surface is shown in Figures 3 and 4.

Microscopic examination of the fracture surface of the round 1, zone 3 sample disclosed no visible evidence of voids or inclusions. The typical appearance of the fracture surface is shown in Figures 5 and 6.

Microscopic examination of the fracture surface of the round 2, zone 1 sample disclosed no visible evidence of voids or inclusions. The typical appearance of the fracture surface is shown in Figures 7 and 8.

Microscopic examination of the fracture surface of the round 2, zone 2 sample disclosed no visible evidence of voids or inclusions. The typical appearance of the fracture surface is shown in Figures 9 and 10.

Microscopic examination of the fracture surface of the round 2, zone 3 sample disclosed no visible evidence of inclusions. Further examination of the fracture surface disclosed the presence of what appeared to be dendritic growth near the center of the fracture. The presence of dendrites on a fracture surface typically indicates the presence of a shrinkage void. The typical appearance of the fracture surface is shown in Figures 11 and 12.

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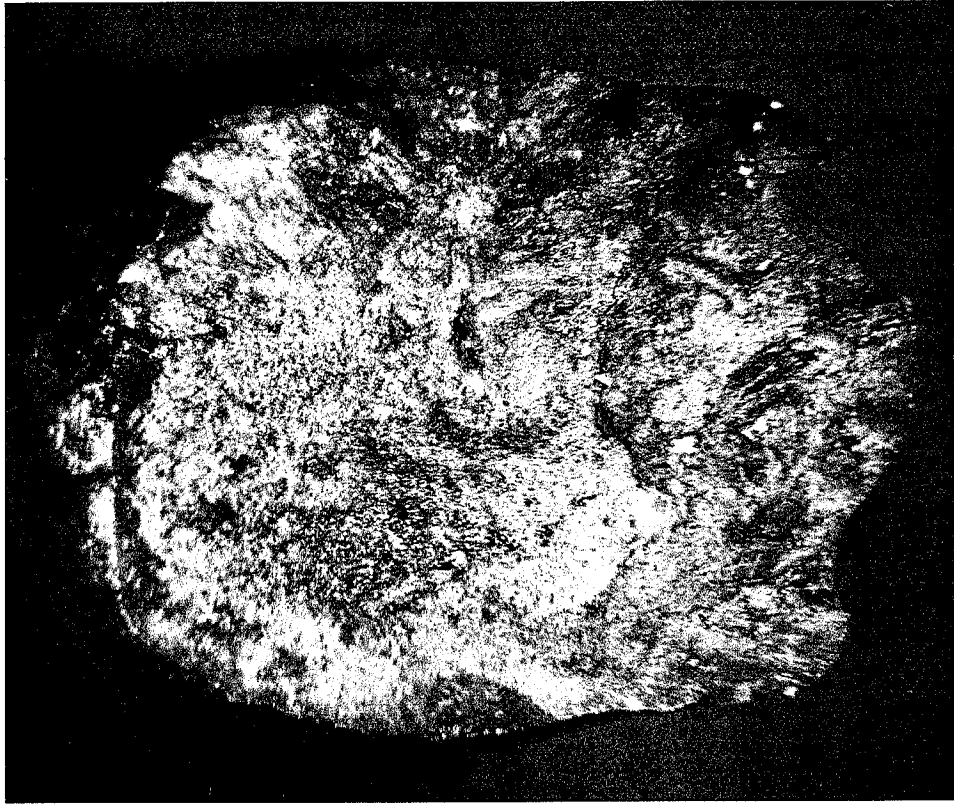


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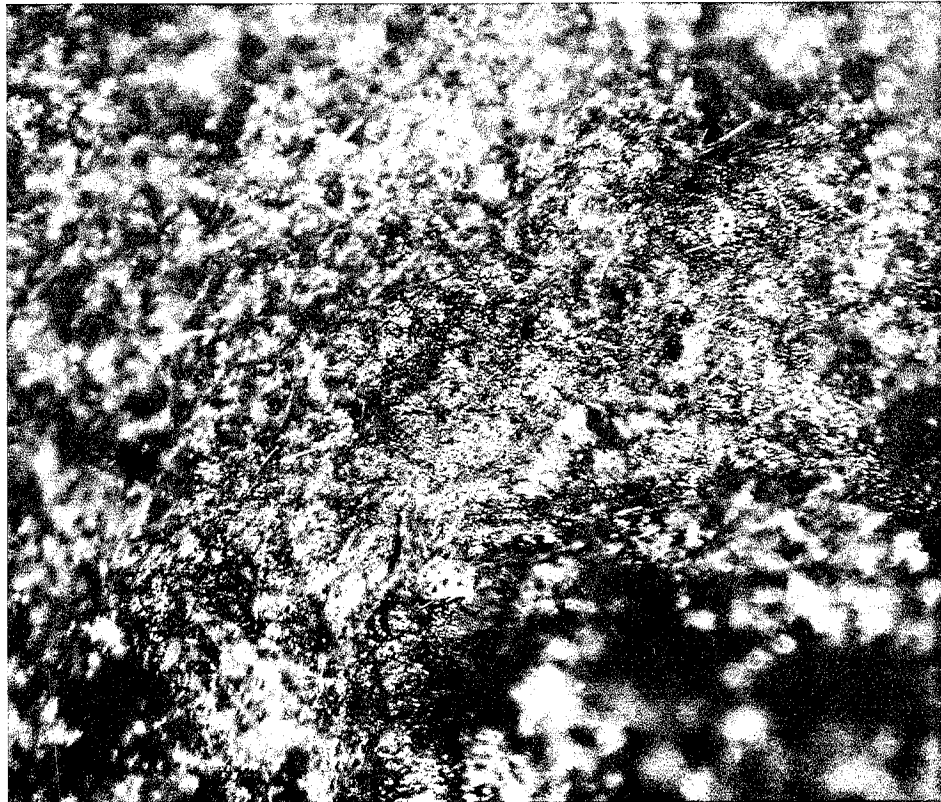


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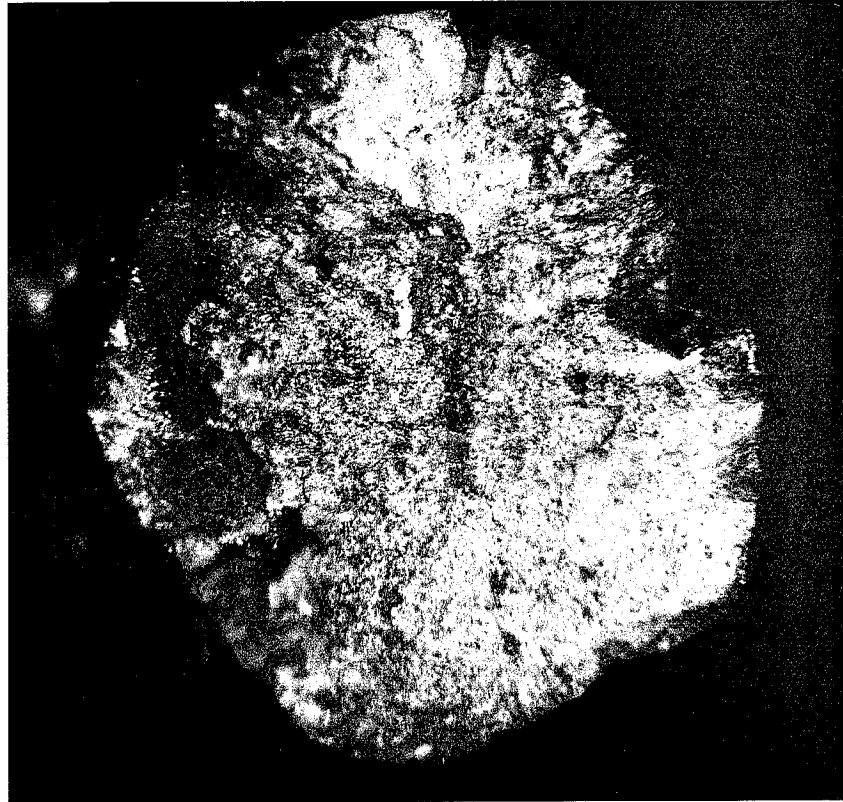


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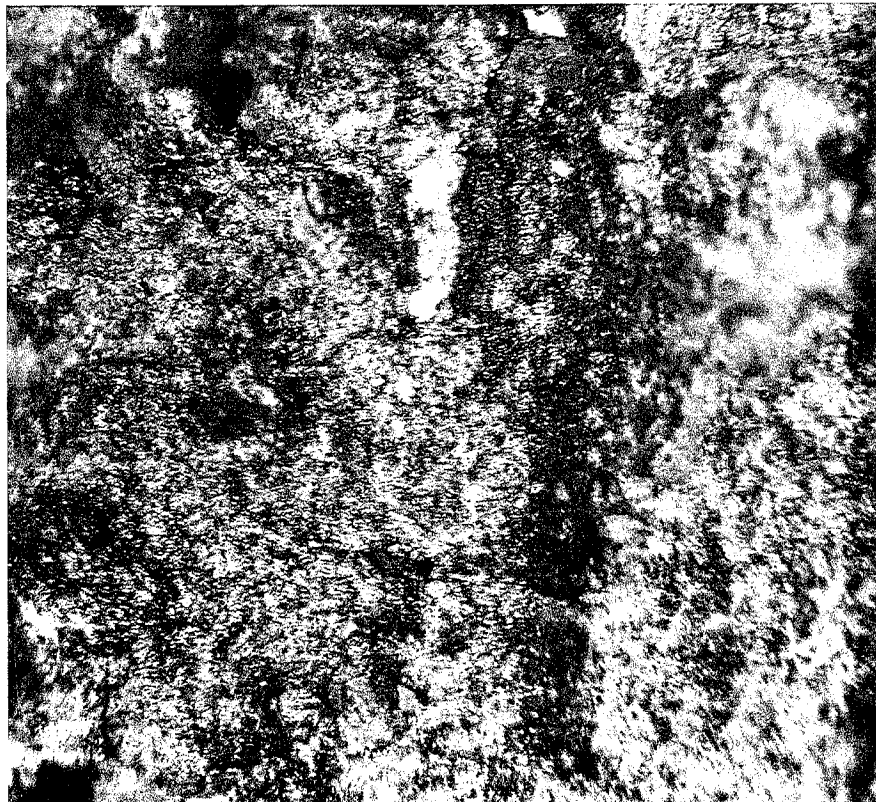


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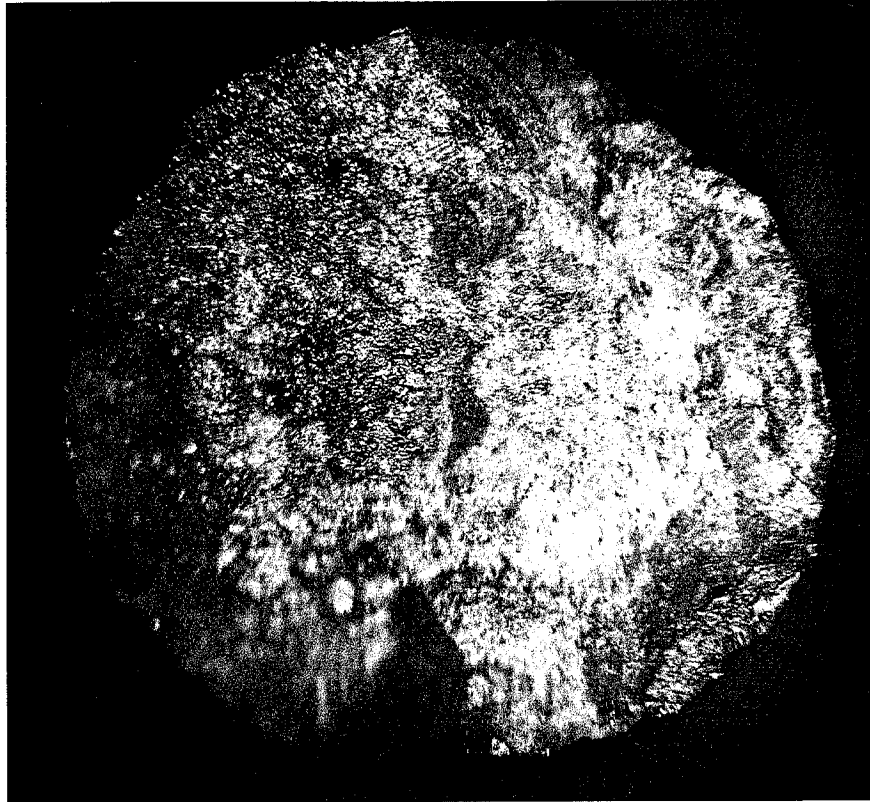


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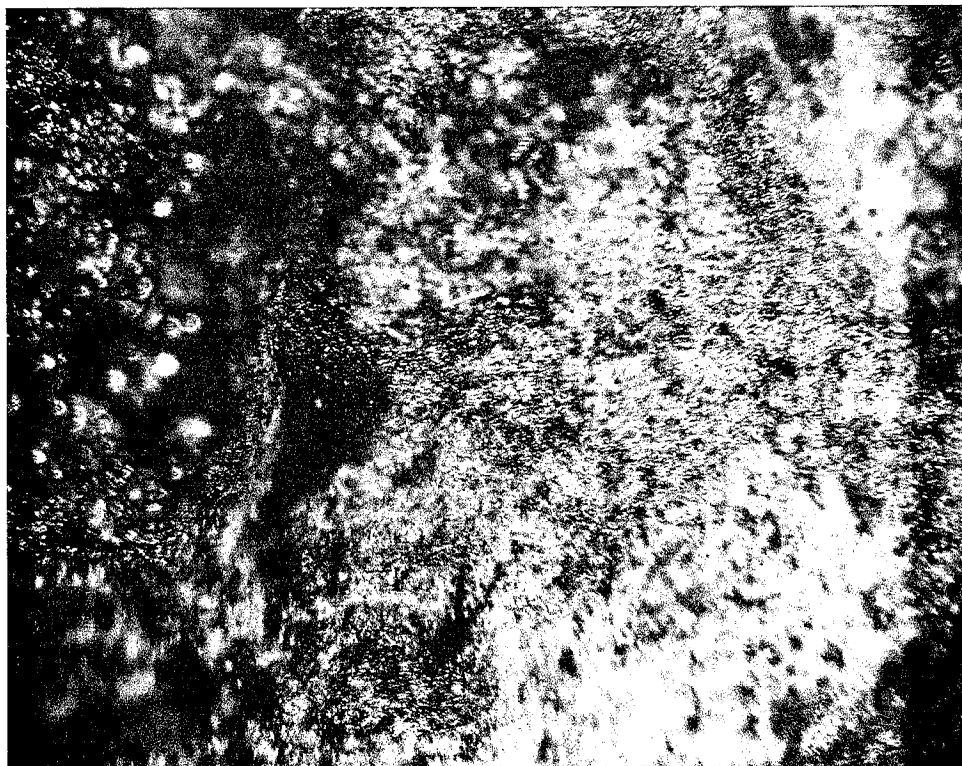


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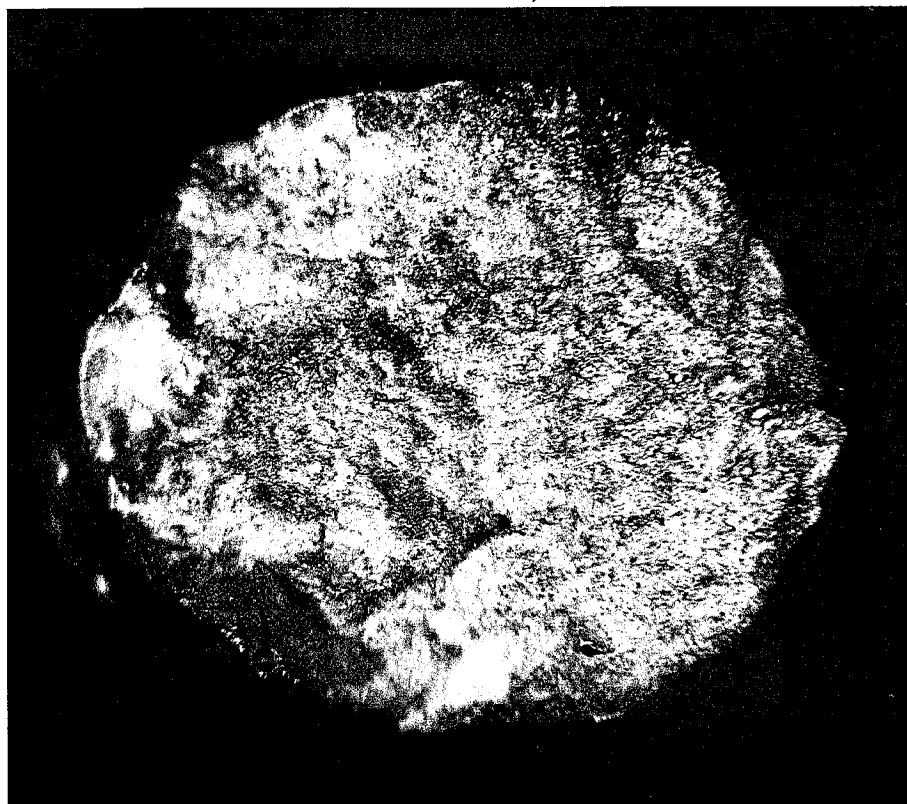


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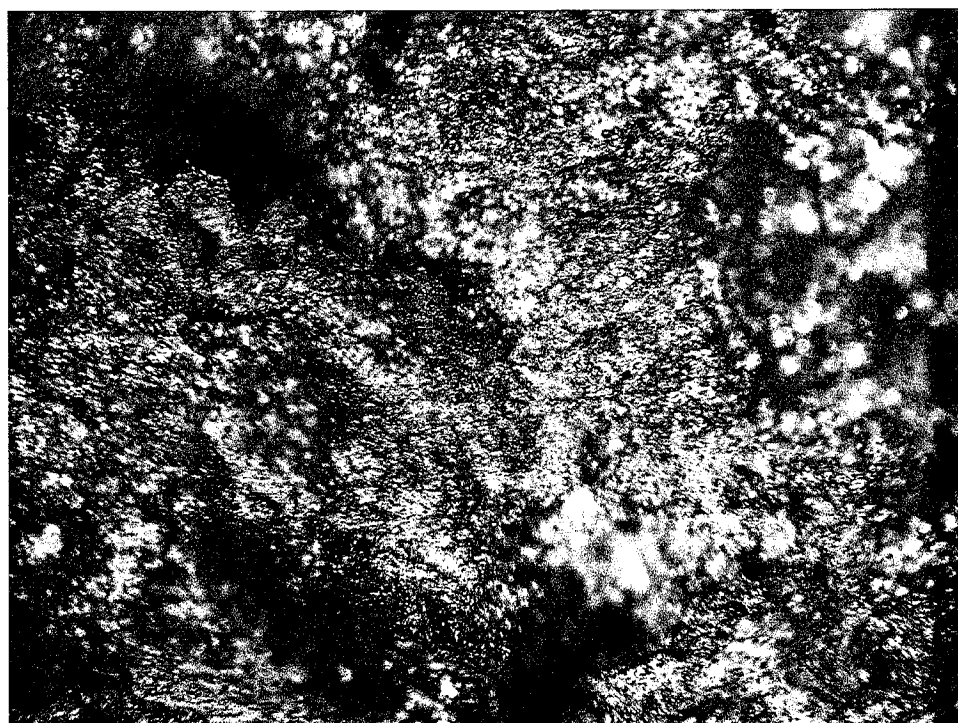


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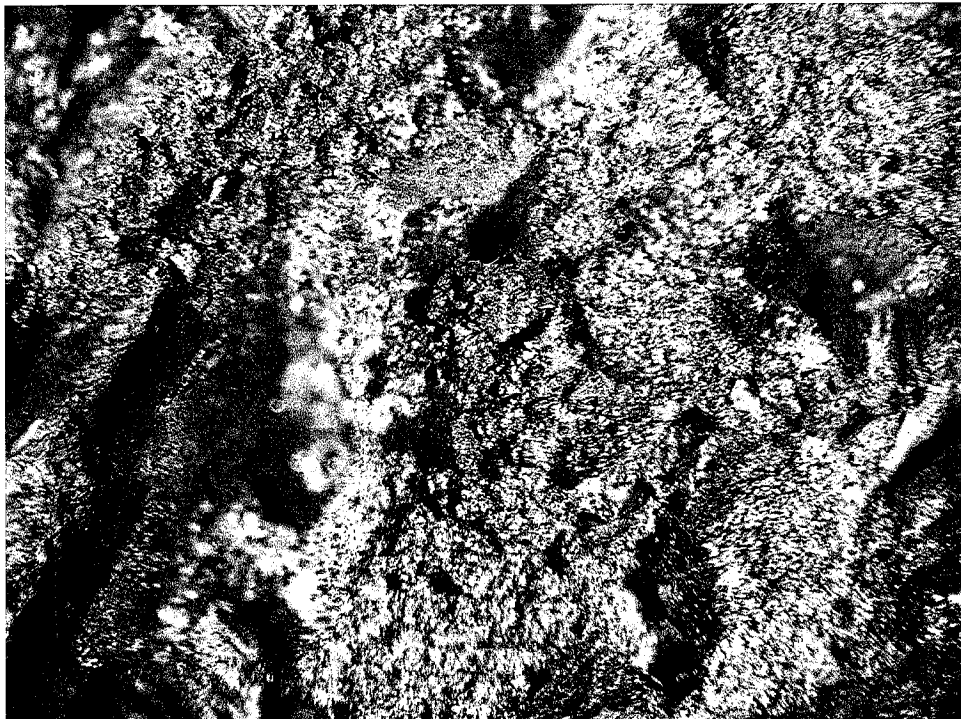


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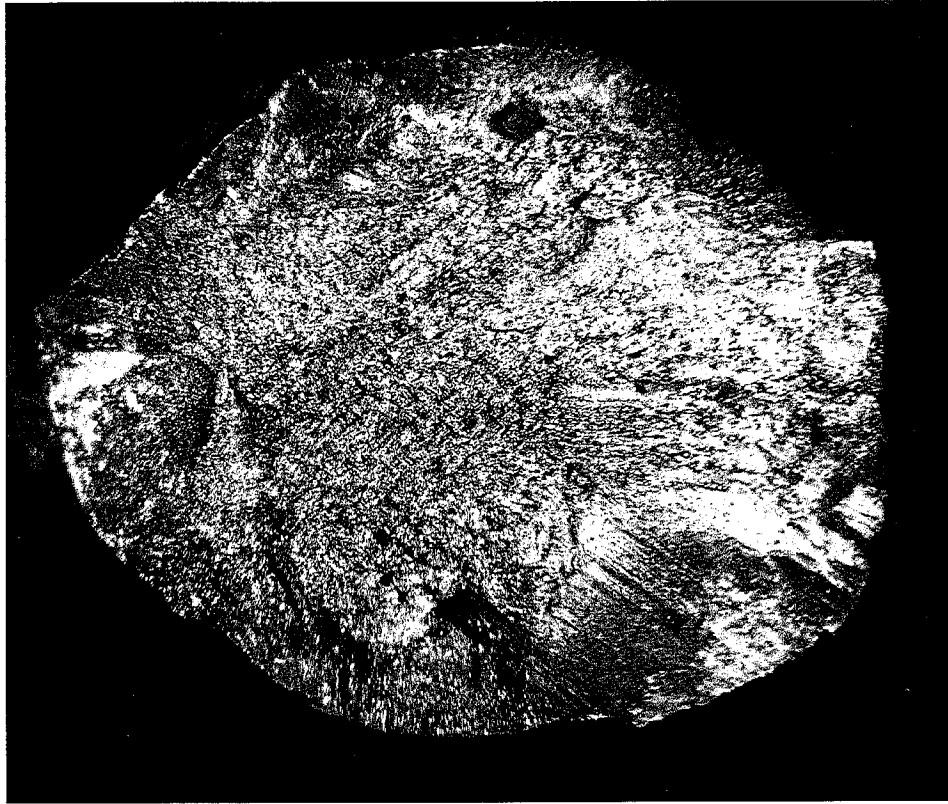


FIGURE 11

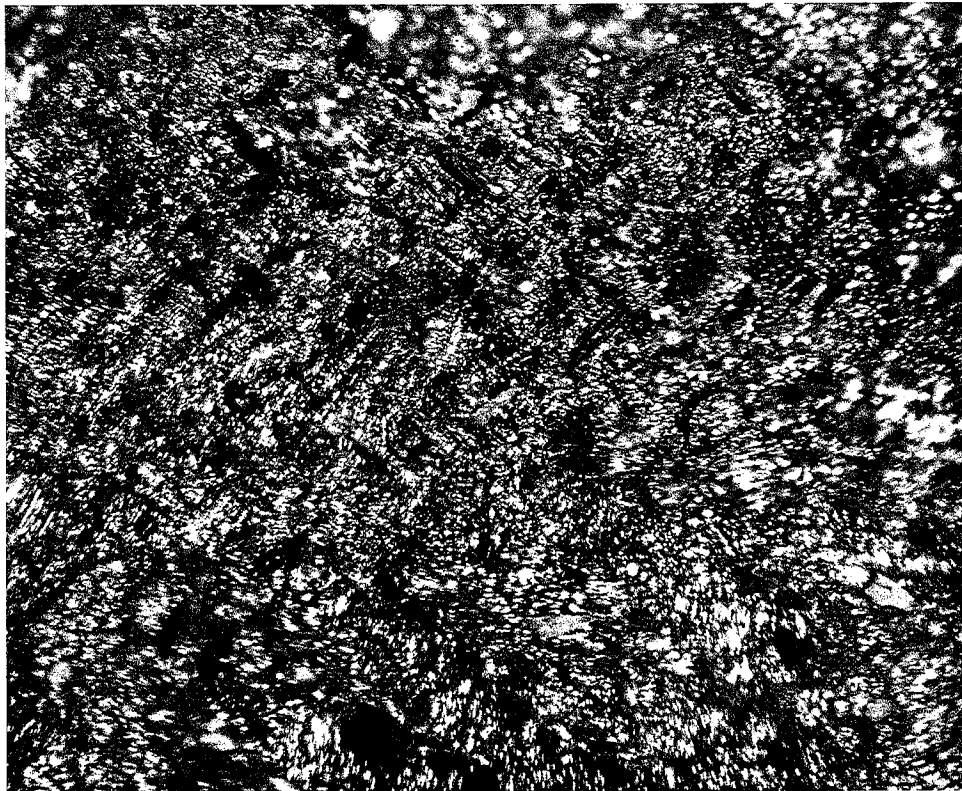


FIGURE 12