INCOTHERM® alloy TD was specifically developed for thermocouple sheathing where high-temperature corrosion resistance and strength are required without the use of elements that may cause thermocouple degradation over time.

Alloy TD is a Ni-22% Cr alloy with the addition of 1.4% Si, 3.0% Mo and rare earth elements. Elements such as manganese and aluminum, which can diffuse through the thermocouple insulator and contaminate the thermo-element wires leading to emf drift over time, are controlled at very low levels thus giving excellent long term performance. In addition, the composition is similar to the thermo-element wires, which further reduces the potential for the diffusion of elements between the alloys. The alloy has outstanding static and cyclic oxidation resistance at temperatures up to 1250°C (2282°F) and possibly beyond.

INCOTHERM alloy TD is highly resistant to oxide spalling and can therefore be considered for applications where contamination needs to be controlled at low levels, such as in glass making and electronic component processing.

Table 1 - Nominal Chemical Composition. wt %

Chromium	22
Nickel	Balance*
Molybdenum	3
Silicon	1.4
Carbon	0.01 max.
Rare Earth Elements	

^{*}Reference to the 'balance' of a composition does not guarantee this is exclusively of the element mentioned but that it predominates and others are present only in minimal quantities.

Table 2 - Physical Properties

Density, lb/in ³ g/cm ³	
Melting Range, °F°C	
Electrical Resistivity, Ω•circ mil/ft	

Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (From 21°C to temperature shown) 10⁻⁶ in/in•°F °C μm/m/°C 500 932 14.56 8.09 600 1112 14.98 8.32 700 1292 15.59 8.66 800 1472 16.15 8.97 1652 900 16.81 9.34 1000 1832 17.30 9.61





Mechanical Properties

Tensile Strength, Yield Strength, Elongation

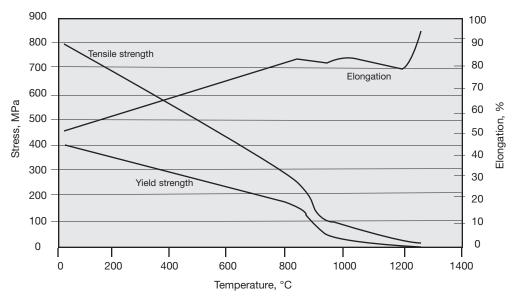


Figure 1. Tensile strength, yield strength and elongation of INCOTHERM alloy TD.

Stress Rupture

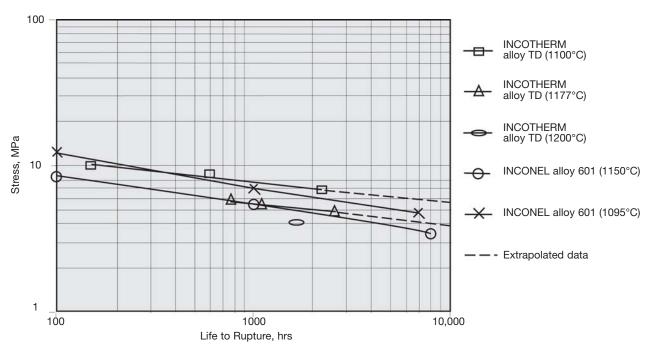


Figure 2. Stress rupture of INCOTHERM alloy TD.

Resistance to Oxidation and Nitridation

INCOTHERM alloy TD exhibits excellent resistance to nitridation, which greatly reduces the effects of embritlement that can cause failure in convetional thermocouple sheathing alloys.

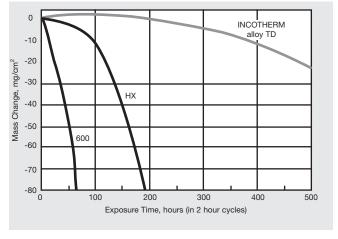


Figure 3. Mass Change after Cyclic Exposure (2 hour cycles) in ${\rm O_2}$ at 1200°C (2192°F).

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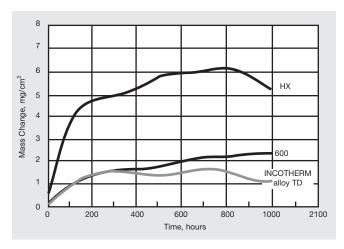


Figure 4. Mass Change after Exposure in $N_2 + 5\%$ H₂ at 1120°C (2050°F).

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