Oxidation Behaviour Of AISI-304 Steel In The Presence Of Na_2S0_4 And $Fe_2(S0_4)_3$ At 973 K

Abstract

The high temperature oxidation behaviour of AISI-304 austenitic steel was studied in the presence of Na_2S0_4 , $Fe_22(S0_4)_3$ or a mixture at 973 K in flowing air. The studies were carried out to examine the influence of eutectic and solid phases present in the $Na_2S0_4 + Fe_22(S0_4)_3$ systems on the hot corrosion of AISI-304 steel which is extensively employed as a high temperature structural alloy. The scale morphologies were determined on the basis of X-ray diffraction analysis and scanning electron microscopy.