08.3-17 THE STRUCTURES OF Y_{2m+2n}Ga_{2n}Co_{2m+2n} SERIES. By Yu.N.Hryn', Ya.P.Yarmolyuk and R.E.Hladyshevsky, Chair of Inorganic Chemistry, Lvov State University, Lvov, USSR.

There exist five compounds in the ternary Y - Ga - Co system at 600°C on the YCo - YGaCo section, including new binary YCo phase. Crystal structure of the compounds has been investigated by means of single crystal and powder techniques.

Compound	Structure type	Space group	a,Å	b Å	c,Å
YCo	∝-JTl	Cmcm	4,106	10,358	3,906
Y5GaCo5	Y ₅ GaCo ₅	Cmcm	4,123	10,289	20,539
Y4GaCo4		B2/m	10,233	8,811	4,115
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Y3GaCo3	₩ ₃ CoB ₃	Cmcm	4,098	10,11	13,01
Y ₂ GaCo ₂				8,457	
	(10,024*) (%=122,47°*)				

^{*} The orientation corresponds to one in the previous structures.

The atomic coordination numbers are: Y-17, Ga-12, Go-9,10. Their corresponding polyhedra in the structures studied are similar for Y and are the same for Ga and Co. The latter possess a trigonal-prismatic coordination. The shortest interatomic distances lie in the range: Y-Y - 3,46-3,56, Y-Ga - 3,19-3,21, Y-Co - 2,84-2,95, Ga-Co - 2,47-2,49, Co-Co - 2,31-2,41 A. Close coordination characteristics of the atoms indicate the structural relationship of the obtained compounds. They belong to the series of non-homogeneous linear structures of the Y_{2m+2n} Ga Co 2m+2n composition, where m and n are the quantaties of more primitive structure fragments such as <-JTl and UPt2, from which the unit cells of the phases investigated consist of. For YCo - m=2, n=0; Y₂GaCo₂ - m=8, n=2; Y₄GaCo₄ - m=3, n=1; Y₃GaCo₃ - m=4, n=2; Y₂GaCo₂ - m=1, n=1. The YGaCo compound formally belongs to the same series with m=0 and n=2, however, the atomic distribution at the trigonal prism apices differs from that in the origin structure UPt₂. The shortest unit cell parameter is determined by an Y atom size and practically is the same for all structures of the series (4,098-4,123 Å). The next in value parameter (~10 Å) decreases regularly with the gallium content increase.

Neutron powder diffraction investigations show that Mn-Ga alloy with 58 at % Mn has a primitive unit cell with space group P43m. The structure is a gamma brass-like one built of two non-identical clusters A and B. In both clusters, 26 atoms are distributed on sites, inner tetrahedra (IT), outer tetrahedra (OT), octahedra (OH) and cubu-octahedra (CO). The twelve (OH) and eight (OT) positions are occupied by Ga atoms only. The rest of Ga atoms are distributed among the (IT) and (CO) positions with occupation numbers which are determined together with the atomic parameters.

Neutron diffraction measurements showed that the compound undergoes a magnetic transition to an antiferromagnetic state at a Neel temperature $T_{\rm N}$ = 245±5 K. The magnetic unit cell is doubled along the three crystallographic axes. The effective magnetic moment carried by the Mn atom was (1.08±0.05) $\mu_{\rm B}.$

SPONTANEOUS STRAIN AND DOMAIN

BOUNDARIES IN FELDSPARS. By B. Kuscholke and E.Salje, Institut für Kristallographie und Petrographie, Universität Hannover, Welfengarten 1, 3000 Hannover 1, Federal Republic of Germany. The triclinic feldspar structure as compared with the monoclinic modification contains two components of the spontaneous strain: $x_4 = \frac{c}{c_0} \cos \alpha *$ and $x_0 = \frac{b}{b_0} \cos \gamma$. The structural state is best described by the spontaneous strain $e_s = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \sqrt{x_{\mu}^2 + x_6^2}$. Its temperature dependence is induced either by elastic instabilities related to critical acoustic phonons or by AI/Si ordering or by a combination of both effects. The induced structural deformations of the AI - Si - O network give rise to the formation of domain boundaries. The shape and orientation of these boundaries reveal directly the structural strain. In case of twin formation, the dominant effects are: a) intersections of albite and pericline twin wall are always rounded, b) non - intersecting boundaries close to such intersections are bent in a S - shape and c) narrow twin domains tend to become needle - shaped close to the intersection with twin walls perpendicular to these domains. The ferroelastic character of the analbite and anorthoclase structure is established from the results of Raman spectroscopy and diffuse X - ray scattering and is in agreement with electron microscopic investigations of Brown and Parsons (Phys.Chem.Min,(1983) 10, 55)