

Title (en)

Etching process for zirconium metallic objects.

Title (de)

Ätzverfahren für Metallgegenstände aus Zirkonium.

Title (fr)

Procédé de décapage d'objets métalliques en zirconium.

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Abstract (en)

A process for determining the dissolved zirconium content of a hydrofluoric acid - nitric acid etching bath (7) for zirconium articles by determining the rise in temperature of a volume of the bath (7) upon immersion therein of a known quantity of zirconium metal (15), immersing a known quantity of zirconium metal (15) into a portion of the bath (7), measuring the rise in temperature over a predetermined period of time of said portion (7), determining the dissolved zirconium content of the bath (7) as a function of the rise in temperature, and treating the bath (7) dependent upon the dissolved zirconium content so determined to be in the bath (7).

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