

# Si-Sr (Silicon-Strontium)

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The Si-Sr phase diagram in [Massalski2] was redrawn from [1989Itk]. Three intermediate compounds ( $\text{Si}_2\text{Sr}$ ,  $\text{SiSr}$ , and  $\text{SiSr}_2$ ) were shown. This phase diagram was reinvestigated by [2004Pal] in the range 25-100 at.% Sr by means of differential thermal analysis (DTA), metallography, x-ray diffraction, and electron microscopy. The result is shown in Fig. 1. Four intermediate phases were found to exist.  $\text{Si}_2\text{Sr}$  is dimorphic. The transition temperature was found at 590-690 °C by DTA (20 °C/min heating) or at 400-450 °C by high-temperature x-ray analysis (0.1 °C/min heating). The liquidus of  $\beta\text{Si}_2\text{Sr}$  is symmetric while the solidus is strongly asymmetric around the stoichiometric composition. This is thermodynamically unlikely. The thermal effect observed at

~1030 °C between  $\beta\text{Si}_2\text{Sr}$  and  $\text{SiSr}$  has not been accounted for.

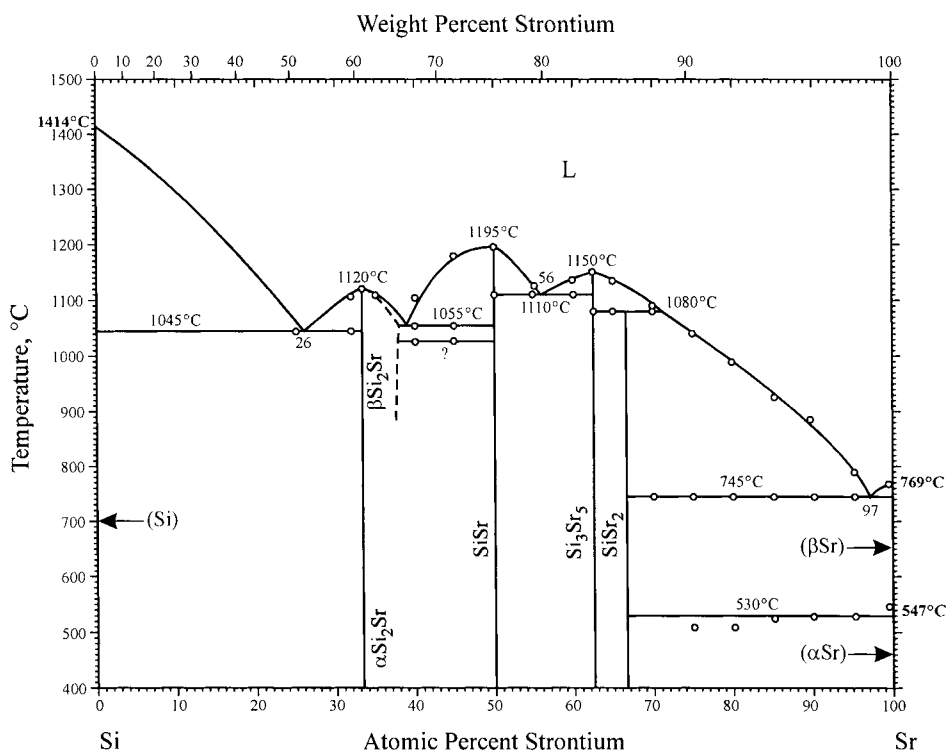
Si-Sr crystal structure data shown in Table 1 were taken from [Massalski2] and [2004Pal].

## References

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**Table 1** Si-Sr crystal structure data

Phase	Composition, at.% Sr	Pearson symbol	Space group	Strukturbericht designation	Prototype
(Si)	0	<i>cF8</i>	<i>Fd<math>\bar{3}m</math></i>	A4	C (diamond)
$\beta\text{Si}_2\text{Sr}$	33.3–38	<i>tI12</i>	<i>I4<math>_1</math>/amd</i>	<i>C<sub>c</sub></i>	$\text{ThSi}_2$
$\alpha\text{Si}_2\text{Sr}$	33.3	<i>cP12</i>	<i>P4<math>_3</math>32</i>	...	...
$\text{SiSr}$	50	<i>oC8</i>	<i>Cmcm</i>	<i>B<sub>f</sub></i>	CrB
$\text{Si}_3\text{Sr}_5$	62.5	<i>tI32</i>	<i>I4/mcm</i>	<i>D8<sub>t</sub></i>	$\text{Cr}_5\text{B}_3$
$\text{SiSr}_2$	66.7	<i>oP12</i>	<i>Pnma</i>	<i>C23</i>	$\text{Co}_2\text{Si}$
( $\beta\text{Sr}$ )	100	<i>cI2</i>	<i>Im<math>\bar{3}m</math></i>	A2	W
( $\alpha\text{Sr}$ )	100	<i>cF4</i>	<i>Fm<math>\bar{3}m</math></i>	A1	Cu



**Fig. 1** Si-Sr phase diagram