

# Sc-Sn (Scandium-Tin)

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The Sc-Sn phase diagram was unknown in [Massalski2]. A partial phase diagram (40 to 100 at.% Sn) was determined by [1995Pal], as reported by [1996Oka].

[2005Pod] determined the Sc-Sn phase diagram in the 0 to 60 at.% Sn range by means of DTA, metallography, and x-ray diffraction analysis. The overlapping range of [1995Pal] and [2005Pod] (40 to 60 at.% Sn) is inconsistent.  $\text{Sc}_6\text{Sn}_5$  and  $\text{ScSn}$  exist in this range according to [1995Pal], whereas  $\text{Sc}_5\text{Sn}_4$  and  $\text{Sc}_{11}\text{Sn}_{10}$  exist correspondingly according to [2005Pod]. Figure 1 has been drawn by compromising

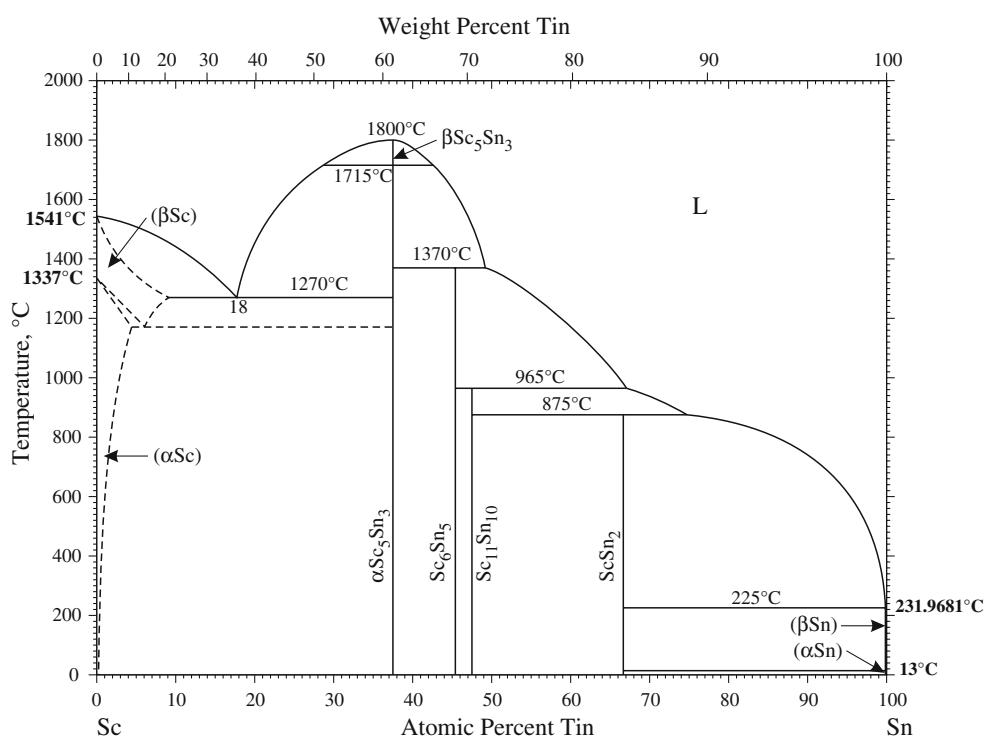
[1995Pal] and [2005Pod]. For the first compound,  $\text{Sc}_6\text{Sn}_5$ , not  $\text{Sc}_5\text{Sn}_4$ , has been accepted in Fig. 1 because its crystal structure was reported by [1995Pal]. For the second compound,  $\text{Sc}_{11}\text{Sn}_{10}$  has been accepted because the crystal structure of  $\text{ScSn}$  could not be determined in spite of the simple equiatomic configuration.

$\text{Sc}_5\text{Sn}_3$  is polymorphic with the transformation temperature at 1715 °C [2005Pod]. The transition between ( $\beta\text{Sc}$ ) and ( $\alpha\text{Sc}$ ) in Fig. 1 is speculative.

Table 1 shows Sc-Sn crystal structure data.

**Table 1** Sc-Sn crystal structure data

Phase	Composition, at.% Sn	Pearson symbol	Space group	Strukturbericht designation	Prototype
( $\beta\text{Sc}$ )	0-9	$cI2$	$I\bar{m}3m$	$A2$	W
( $\alpha\text{Sc}$ )	0-?	$hP2$	$P6_3/mmc$	$A3$	Mg
$\beta\text{Sc}_5\text{Sn}_3$	37.5	...	...	...	...
$\alpha\text{Sc}_5\text{Sn}_3$	37.5	$hP16$	$P6_3/mcm$	$D8_8$	$\text{Mn}_5\text{Si}_3$
$\text{Sc}_6\text{Sn}_5$	45.5	$oI44$	$Ibam$	...	$\text{Ti}_6\text{Ge}_5$
$\text{Sc}_{11}\text{Sn}_{10}$	47.6	...	...	...	...
$\text{ScSn}_2$	66.7	$tI24$	$I4_1/amd$	...	...
( $\beta\text{Sn}$ )	100	$tI4$	$I4_1/amd$	$A5$	$\beta\text{Sn}$
( $\alpha\text{Sn}$ )	100	$cF8$	$Fd\bar{3}m$	$A4$	C (diamond)



**Fig. 1** Sc-Sn phase diagram

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