Magnetic Properties and Electronic Structures of Compounds from the Hf-Co Phase System

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Magnetic measurements of molar susceptibilities as a function of temperature in the temperature range between 5 and 400 K were performed for the intermetallic compounds Hf_2Co and $HfCo_2$, using a SQUID magnetometer. The density of states at the Fermi level for Hf_2Co was evaluated from the measured spin paramagnetic susceptibility. In addition, band structure calculations using the augmented plane waves plus local orbitals (APW+lo) method as implemented in the WIEN2k programme package for the two compounds were done. The obtained results were compared with the measured data.

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