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Studies of reactive and nonreactive metalsejectatransporting in nonreactive and reactive gases and vacuum WILLIAM BUTTLER, LANL

We report on our studies of reactive and nonreactive metal fragments transporting in reactive and nonreactive gases. We postulate that reactive metal fragments ejected into a reactive gas, such as D_2 , will break up into smaller fragments in situations where they are otherwise stable in a nonreactive gas such as He. To evaluate the hypothesis, we explosively eject hot, micron-scale fragments into vacuum and shocked gases. We diagnosed the hydrodynamics and the ejecta source with laser Doppler velocimetry, piezoelectric pressure transducers and dynamic Mie scattering. Further, we imaged the ejecta transport at infrared wavelengths and particle imaging velocimetry, discovered an optical scattering diagnostic that revealed dynamic ejecta sheet breakup dynamics, and we applied CARS to shocked D_2 . This work presents results of the experimental and theoretical studies, but details of important diagnostics are in this conference section.

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