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Mechanisms responsible for porosity in structure

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There exist three mechanisms for the shape of a pore resulting from a bubble entrapped by a solidification front. The parameters involve different combinations of solidification rate or variation of pore volume and solute transport across the bubble cap of the pore in different directions. Pore formation influence microstructure of materials and contemporary issues of aerospace, engineering, biology, climate change, etc. This model accounts for realistic shape of the bubble cap subject to balance of pressures and physico-chemical equilibrium, and different directions and magnitudes of solute transport. Cases 1 and 2 are, respectively, referred to solute transport from the pore across cap into surrounding liquid and surrounding liquid across the cap into pore in the early stage. Case 2 can be subdivided into Cases 2a and 2b. In contrast to Case 2b, Case 2a exhibits a stronger effect of solute transport across the cap on solute gas pressure in the pore than pore volume expansion in the late stage. The results show that bubble can be entrapped in Case 1. However, the bubble cannot be entrapped in solid in Case 2, as a result of significant variation of solute gas pressure in the pore in the late stage. The predicted pore shape agrees with experimental data. Relevant prediction and control of the pore shape in solid are obtained.

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