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試料、実験方法、利用の結果得られた主なデータ、考察、結論等を、記述して下さい。(適宜、図表添付のこと)  
 Please report your samples, experimental method and results, discussion and conclusions. Please add figures and tables for better explanation.

1. 試料 Name of sample(s) and chemical formula, or compositions including physical form.
NiCrAl Daphne oil 7474 Teflon

2. 実験方法及び結果 (実験がうまくいかなかった場合、その理由を記述してください。) Experimental method and results. If you failed to conduct experiment as planned, please describe reasons.
<p>Ground states of strongly correlated electron systems are very sensitive to external conditions. Especially, application of high pressure is an important technique because some of strongly correlated electron systems are located near the quantum critical point and exotic phenomena, e. g. non-Fermi liquid behavior and/or pressure-induced superconductivity, are frequently seen around the quantum critical point.</p> <p>Muon spin rotation and relaxation method is an important technique to investigate microscopic magnetic properties for strongly correlated electron systems and we have continued to develop the high-pressure <math>\mu</math>SR technique at KEK and TRIUMF until now. Maximum muon momentum is about 100 MeV/c for KEK and TRIUMF, whereas it is about 70MeV/c for J-PARC MUSE D1 area. Thickness of a high pressure cell for J-PARC should be smaller and maximum pressure will be limited as compared to previous cells. Nevertheless, ground state of strongly correlated systems is sensitive to external pressure and various interesting phenomena are expected even below 1GPa. Therefore development of high pressure cell for J-PARC MUSE is valuable.</p>

## 2. 実験方法及び結果(つづき) Experimental method and results (continued)

We have prepared a new high pressure cell using non-magnetic NiCrAl alloy for J-PARC/MUSE D1 by changing the design. Maximum pressure is estimated to be 1 GPa at room temperature. Using new pressure cells, we carried out following experiments.

### 1. $\mu$ SR study of NiCrAl alloy at ambient pressure

We first check the zero-field  $\mu$ SR signal of high pressure cell itself, namely NiCrAl alloy, between 8 and 70 K at ambient pressure.  $\mu$ SR spectra of NiCrAl alloy are described by Kubo-Toyabe-type relaxation function and relaxation rate of NiCrAl is found to be smaller than that of previously used material, MP35N. NiCrAl is suitable for high-pressure cell for  $\mu$ SR.

### 2. New pressure medium Daphne 7474

Recently Murata *et al.* reported that a new pressure medium named Daphne 7474 shows high-quality hydrostaticity. We carried out zero-field  $\mu$ SR experiment for Daphne 7474 and found that  $\mu$ SR spectra of Daphne 7474 show relaxation signals which are similar to those of previously used Daphne 7373. Although Daphne 7474 is expensive, it is suitable for pressure medium for  $\mu$ SR,

### 3. Determination of optimum muon momentum for our pressure cell

In high pressure  $\mu$ SR experiment, some of muons will stop at a pressure cell and it is important to determine optimum muon momentum for individual pressure cells. We tried to determine optimum momentum by measuring asymmetry of Teflon as a function of muon momentum. We chose 75 and 80 MeV/c as muon momentum. We could not distinguish the  $\mu$ SR signal of Teflon, however, presumably due to the improper tuning condition. We would like to continue high pressure  $\mu$ SR experiments by improving the tuning condition.