

## Nanocomposites and nanomaterials

### Proprieties of FeSiB nanopowders alloys prepared by mechanical alloying

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Nanopowders of Fe<sub>75</sub>Si<sub>15</sub>B<sub>10</sub> (% at) was prepared by mechanical alloying from elemental powder mixture [1]. Structural, microstructural and thermal were investigated as function of milling times. X-ray diffraction results show the formation of Fe<sub>2</sub>B after 5 h of milling, and Silicon diffraction peaks disappeared after 50 h of milling. Rietveld [2] refinement of XDR patterns reveals the presence of 74 % Fe(Si, B) solid solution and 26 % Fe<sub>2</sub>B boride with crystallite size about 13 nm and 6 nm, respectively. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) measurements on FeSiB alloy present an exothermic peak at 600 °C, which is associated a mixture of highly disordered of the α-Fe(Si, B) solid solution and Fe<sub>2</sub>B boride.

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