

Conclusions

- (1) In the as-quenched condition, the microstructure of the $\text{Cu}_{2.9}\text{Mn}_{0.1}\text{Al}$ alloy was of D0_3 phase containing plate-like γ_1' martensite with internal twin. This is similar to that reported by other workers in the Cu_3Al alloy.
- (2) With increasing manganese content to above 5 at.% ($X \geq 0.2$), no evidence of the γ_1' martensite could be detected and the D0_3 matrix would be changed to $(\text{D0}_3 + \text{L2}_1)$ phases with a modulation structure. It means that the M_s temperature was decreased with increasing the manganese content.
- (3) The as-quenched microstructures of the $\text{Cu}_{2.8}\text{Mn}_{0.2}\text{Al}$ or $\text{Cu}_{2.7}\text{Mn}_{0.3}\text{Al}$ alloys was of D0_3 phase containing extremely fine L-J precipitates, where the D0_3 phase was formed through the $\beta \rightarrow \text{B2} \rightarrow \text{D0}_3$ transition during quenching.
- (4) The as-quenched microstructure of the $\text{Cu}_{2.6}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Al}$ was a mixture of $(\text{D0}_3 + \text{L2}_1 + \text{L-J})$ phases with modulation structure,

where the ($D0_3+L2_1$) phases were formed through the $\beta \rightarrow B2 \rightarrow D0_3+L2_1$ transition during quenching.

(5) No evidence of the $a/4\langle 111 \rangle$ APBs could be determined in the alloy D. However, the $a/4\langle 111 \rangle$ APBs were clearly observed in the both alloy B and alloy C. This result seems to suggest that the increase of the manganese content in the Cu-Mn-Al alloys could increase the B2 domain size.

(6) The size of the $D0_3$ domains increased with increasing the manganese content. It also means that an increase of manganese content would increase the $B2 \rightarrow D0_3$ ordering transition temperature.

(7) The amounts of the L-J particles were increased with increasing the manganese content.