

# Alloy 825

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**Alloy 825 (UNS N08825)** is a Ni-Cr-Fe-Mo alloy with excellent resistance to sulfuric and phosphoric acids. Resistant to oxidizing and reducing acids, SCC, pitting, and intergranular corrosion, it is used in chemical and petrochemical processing, oil and gas extraction, pollution control, waste processing, and pickling applications

## Specification

NiWire's production follows:

ASTM B 163 (condenser and heat exchanger tube), B 366 (welding fittings, permissible raw materials), B 423 (seamless pipe and tube), B 424 (plate, sheet, and strip), B 425 (rod and bar), B 564 (forgings), B 704 (welded tube), B 705 (welded pipe), B 751 (welded tube, general requirements), B 775 (welded pipe, general requirements), B 829 (seamless pipe and tube, general requirements)

## Chemical Composition

*Composition limits:* 38.0 to 46.0 Ni; 19.5 to 23.5 Cr; 2.5 to 3.5 Mo; 1.5 to 3.0 Cu; 0.6 to 1.2 Ti; 0.05 max C; 1.0 max Mn; 0.03 max S; 0.5 max Si; 0.2 max Al; bal Fe

## Applications

*Typical uses:* Phosphoric acid evaporators, pickling equipment, chemical processing vessels and piping, equipment for recovery of spent nuclear fuel, propeller shafts, tank trucks

## Physical Properties

*Density:* 8.14 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (0.294 lb/in.<sup>3</sup>) at 20 °C (68 °F)

*Liquidus temperature:* 1400 °C (2550 °F)

*Solidus temperature:* 1370 °C (2500 °F)

*Electrical conductivity:* Volumetric, 1.5% IACS at 26 °C (78 °F)

*Magnetic permeability:* 1.005 at 21 °C (70 °F) and a field strength of 15.9 kA/m

*Curie temperature:* <-196 °C (<-320 °F)

*Thermal and electrical properties of Alloy 825:*

| Temperature |      | Mean linear expansion(a) |               | Thermal conductivity |                 | Electrical resistivity |
|-------------|------|--------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| °C          | °F   | µm/m · K                 | µin./in. · °F | W/m · K              | Btu/ft · h · °F | nΩ · m                 |
| 26          | 78   | ...                      | ...           | 11.1                 | 6.4             | 1127                   |
| 38          | 100  | ...                      | ...           | 11.3                 | 6.5             | 1130                   |
| 93          | 200  | 14.0                     | 7.7           | 12.3                 | 7.1             | 1142                   |
| 204         | 400  | 14.9                     | 8.3           | 14.1                 | 8.1             | 1180                   |
| 316         | 600  | 15.3                     | 8.5           | 15.8                 | 9.1             | 1210                   |
| 427         | 800  | 15.7                     | 8.7           | 17.3                 | 10.0            | 1248                   |
| 538         | 1000 | 15.8                     | 8.8           | 18.9                 | 10.9            | 1265                   |
| 649         | 1200 | 16.4                     | 9.1           | 20.5                 | 11.8            | 1267                   |
| 760         | 1400 | 17.1                     | 9.5           | 22.3                 | 12.9            | 1272                   |
| 871         | 1600 | 17.5                     | 9.7           | 24.8                 | 14.3            | 1288                   |
| 982         | 1800 | ...                      | ...           | 27.7                 | 16.0            | 1300                   |

(a) From 27 °C (80 °F) to temperature shown

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## Mechanical Properties

*Compressive properties:* Annealed bar with tensile yield strength of 396 MPa (57.5 ksi): compressive yield strength, 423 MPa (61.4 ksi) at 0.2% offset

*Elastic modulus:* Tension, 195 GPa (28.3 · 10<sup>6</sup> psi) at 27 °C (80 °F)

*Impact strength:* Plate, Charpy keyhole: 107 J (78.9 ft · lbf) at 20 °C (68 °F); 106 J (78.2 ft · lbf) at -79 °C (-110 °F); 91 J (67.1 ft · lbf) at -196 °C (-320 °F); 92 J (67.8 ft · lbf) at -253 °C (-420 °F)

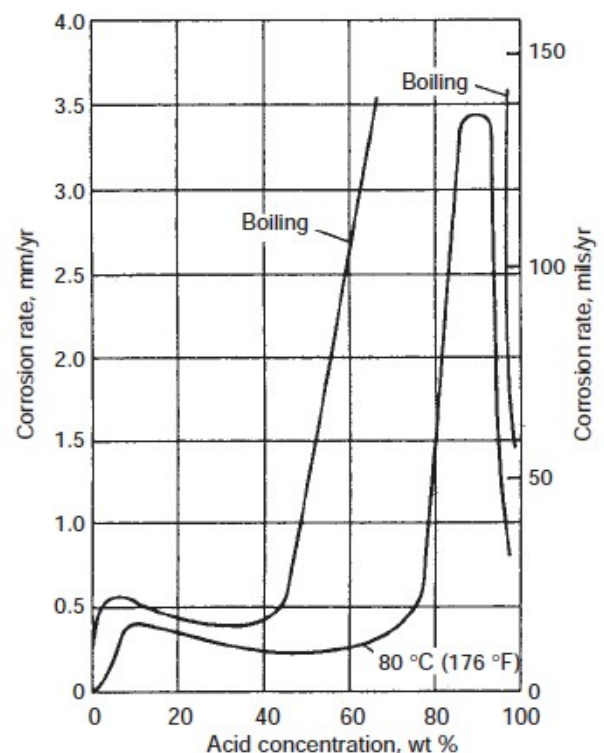
*Tensile properties of annealed Alloy 825:*

| Temperature |      | Tensile strength |       | Yield strength (0.2 offset) |      | Elongation |
|-------------|------|------------------|-------|-----------------------------|------|------------|
| °C          | °F   | MPa              | ksi   | MPa                         | ksi  | %          |
| 29          | 85   | 693              | 100.5 | 301                         | 43.7 | 43         |
| 93          | 200  | 655              | 95.0  | 279                         | 40.4 | 44         |
| 204         | 400  | 637              | 92.4  | 245                         | 35.6 | 43         |
| 316         | 600  | 632              | 91.7  | 232                         | 33.6 | 46         |
| 371         | 700  | 621              | 90.0  | 234                         | 34.0 | 46         |
| 427         | 800  | 610              | 88.5  | 228                         | 33.0 | 44         |
| 482         | 900  | 608              | 88.2  | 221                         | 32.0 | 42         |
| 538         | 1000 | 592              | 85.9  | 229                         | 33.2 | 43         |
| 593         | 1100 | 541              | 78.5  | 222                         | 32.2 | 38         |
| 649         | 1200 | 465              | 67.5  | 213                         | 30.9 | 62         |
| 760         | 1400 | 274              | 39.7  | 183                         | 26.5 | 87         |
| 871         | 1600 | 135              | 19.6  | 117                         | 17.0 | 102        |
| 982         | 1800 | 75               | 10.9  | 47                          | 6.8  | 173        |
| 1093        | 2000 | 42               | 6.1   | 23                          | 3.3  | 106        |

## Chemical Properties

*General corrosion behavior:* Alloy 825 has exceptional resistance to seawater and to reducing chemicals, such as sulfuric and phosphoric acids. Because it is stabilized against sensitization, Alloy 825 resists intergranular corrosion. This alloy contains sufficient nickel to make it resistant to chloride stress-corrosion cracking. Its molybdenum content provides resistance to pitting. Its chromium content provides resistance to oxidizing media, such as nitric acid, nitrates, and oxidizing salts.

Laboratory corrosion rates of Alloy 825 in chemically pure sulfuric acid solutions, see right figure.



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Plant corrosion tests of Alloy 825 immersed in wet-process phosphoric acid solutions:

| Test solution   | Temperature |         | Duration of test, days | Corrosion rate |         |
|---|-------------|---------|------------------------|----------------|---------|
|   | °C          | °F      |                        | mm/yr          | mils/yr |
| Recycle liquor from evaporator fume scrubber containing 15% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> , 20% H <sub>2</sub> SiF <sub>6</sub> , 1% H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>                  | 75–85       | 165–185 | 16                     | 0.025          | 1.0     |
| Solution containing 20% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> and 20% HF in tank   | 20–30       | 70–85   | 13                     | 0.036          | 1.4     |
| Slurry in digester tank. Mixture contains 20% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> , 2% H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> , 1% HF, 40% H <sub>2</sub> O, plus CaSO <sub>4</sub>                | 75–95       | 170–200 | 117                    | 0.02           | 0.7     |
| Slurry containing 37% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> (27% P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ) in acid transfer tank. Velocity 1 m/s (3 ft/s)  | 65–90       | 150–190 | 46                     | 0.02           | 0.7     |
| Slurry containing 31.4% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> , 1.6% H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> , 1.5% H <sub>2</sub> SiF <sub>6</sub> , 0.12% HF, plus CaSO <sub>4</sub> in filter tank | 45–60       | 115–140 | 8.3                    | <0.003         | <0.1    |
| Thickener in evaporated acid containing 54% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> , 1.7% HF, 2% H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> , 2% CaSO <sub>4</sub>  | 50–65       | 125–150 | 51                     | 0.01           | 0.5     |
| Evaporator heated with hot gases in acid containing 53% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> , 1–2% H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> , 1.5% HF plus Na <sub>2</sub> SiF <sub>6</sub>          | 120         | 250     | 42                     | 0.15           | 6.0     |
| In wet separator on top of concentrating drum in vapors from concentration of crude acid to 50–55% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> containing HF                                       | 105–150     | 225–300 | 21                     | 0.79           | 31.0    |
| Defluorinator in acid containing 75–80% H <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> , 1% H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> , with some HF. Violent agitation  | 120–155     | 250–315 | 8                      | 3.048          | 120.0   |

Corrosion rates for Alloy 825 in hydrochloric acid at three temperatures:

| Acid concentration, % | Temperature |     | Corrosion rate |         |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----|----------------|---------|
|                       | °C          | °F  | mm/yr          | mils/yr |
| 5                     | 20          | 68  | 0.12           | 4.9     |
|                       | 40          | 104 | 0.45           | 17.8    |
|                       | 66          | 150 | 2.00           | 79      |
| 10                    | 20          | 68  | 0.18           | 7.2     |
|                       | 40          | 104 | 0.47           | 18.6    |
|                       | 66          | 150 | 2.60           | 102     |
| 20                    | 20          | 68  | 0.18(a)        | 7.3(a)  |
|                       | 40          | 104 | 0.44           | 17.2    |
|                       | 66          | 150 | 1.52           | 60      |

(a) 15% acid concentration

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Plant corrosion tests of Alloy 825 in nitric acid mixtures:

| Test conditions (a)   | Temperature |         | Duration of test, days | Corrosion rate |         |
|---|-------------|---------|------------------------|----------------|---------|
|   | °C          | °F      |                        | mm/yr          | mils/yr |
| In evaporator during concentration of nitric acid solution saturated with potassium nitrate and containing chlorides  |             |         |                        |                |         |
| Liquid: 40–70% HNO <sub>3</sub> , 0.2–0.02% Cl  | 105–115     | 220–240 | 4.2                    | 0.10           | 4.0     |
| Vapor: 50–10% HNO <sub>3</sub> , 0.05–1.5% Cl   | 105–115     | 220–240 | 4.2                    | 0.279          | 11.0    |
| In evaporator during concentration of nitric acid solution from 35–45% nitric acid, saturated with zirconyl nitrate and containing 10–35% ZrO(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> crystals   |             |         |                        |                |         |
| Liquid  | 115–125     | 235–255 | 29                     | 0.533          | 21.0    |
| Vapor   | 115–125     | 235–255 | 29                     | 0.660          | 26.0    |
| In 40% nitric acid solution containing some nitrogen tetroxide and nitrous acid. Location in N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> absorption tower immediately below distributor   | 30–40       | 85–105  | 15                     | <0.003         | <0.1    |
| In evaporator during concentration of 20% nitric acid solution containing 6% metal nitrates (iron, magnesium, lead and aluminum), 2% sulfate as metal sulfates  | 70–90       | 160–190 | 52                     | 0.01           | 0.4     |
| Laboratory test in 53% nitric acid containing 1% hydrofluoric acid  |             |         |                        |                |         |
| Liquid  | 80          | 176     | 7                      | 5.080          | 200.0   |
| Vapor   | 80          | 176     | 7                      | 2.18           | 86.0    |
| In vapor during concentration of nitric acid solution containing 35–45% nitric acid, 3–20% chlorine as chlorides, and 10–20% metal nitrates (mainly zirconium)  |             |         |                        |                |         |
| Liquid  | 115–125     | 240–260 | 21                     | 0.330          | 13.0    |
| Vapor   | 115–125     | 240–260 | 21                     | 0.15           | 5.8     |
| In evaporator during concentration of 36% nitric acid solution containing 30% potassium nitrate, some sodium, iron, calcium and magnesium nitrates, and 0.05–0.10% chlorine as chloride. Intermittently exposed to liquid and vapor | 65–80       | 150–180 | 8                      | 0.01           | 0.5     |
| In evaporator during concentration of nitric acid solution containing metal nitrates (mostly zirconium) and small amount of chlorides   |             |         |                        |                |         |
| Liquid at bottom of column (58% nitric acid, 5 ppm chlorides, 11–13% metal nitrates)  | 115–130     | 240–265 | 10                     | 0.660          | 26.0    |
| Liquid on 10th tray of column (2.21% nitric acid, 3–13 ppm chlorides, 0–25% metal nitrates)   | 105–130     | 225–265 | 10                     | 0.12           | 4.6     |

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| Test conditions (a)   | Temperature |        | Duration of test, days | Corrosion rate |         |
|---|-------------|--------|------------------------|----------------|---------|
|   | °C          | °F     |                        | mm/yr          | mils/yr |
| In evaporator during concentration of raffinate solution containing 30–40% nitric acid and variable chlorides up to 2000 ppm Cl |             |        |                        |                |         |
| Liquid  | 80(b)       | 175(b) | 92                     | 0.02           | 0.7     |
| Vapor   | 80(b)       | 175(b) | 92                     | 0.028          | 1.1     |

(a) Specimens were immersed in solution unless otherwise stated. (b) Average

Plant corrosion tests of Alloy 825 in organic acids:

| Test conditions   | Temperature |         | Duration of test, days | Corrosion rate |         |
|---|-------------|---------|------------------------|----------------|---------|
|   | °C          | °F      |                        | mm/yr          | mils/yr |
| In vapors of 85% acetic acid, 10% acetic anhydride, 5% water, plus some acetone, acetonitrile, in vapor line just before condenser  | 115–135     | 240–275 | 875                    | 0.008          | 0.3     |
| In 99.9% acetic acid, less than 0.1% water in still   | 105         | 225     | 40                     | 0.006          | 0.2     |
| In mixture of 94% acetic acid, 1% formic acid, 5% high boiling esters   | 125         | 260     | 465                    | 0.02           | 0.7     |
| In mixture of 96.5–98% acetic acid, 1.5% formic acid, 1–1.5% water  | 125         | 255     | 262                    | 0.15           | 6.0     |
| In mixture of 91.5% acetic acid, 2.5% formic acid, 6.0% water   | 110–125     | 230–260 | 55                     | 0.079          | 3.1     |
| In mixture of 95% acetic acid, 1.5–3.0% formic acid, 0.5% potassium permanganate, balance water   | 110–145     | 230–290 | 55                     | 0.038          | 1.5     |
| In mixture of 40% acetic acid, 6% propionic acid, 20% butane, 5% pentane, 8% ethyl acetate, 5% methyl ethyl ketone, plus other esters and ketones   | 175         | 345     | 217                    | 0.051          | 2.0     |
| In liquid phthalic anhydride containing phthalic acid, some water, and small amounts of maleic acid, maleic anhydride, benzoic acid, and naphthaquinones. On reflux plate of crude phthalic anhydride still | 165–260     | 330–500 | 70                     | 0.20           | 8.0     |