

Pengaruh penambahan sic terhadap karakteristik komposit al 11zn 6 7mg hasil squeeze casting untuk aplikasi balistik = Effect of sic addition to the characteristics of composite al 11zn 6 7mg by squeeze casting for ballistic application

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Dalam pengembangannya untuk mereduksi berat kendaraan dan mempertahankan sifat mekanis, dipilih material komposit aluminium sebagai pengganti baja sebagai penyusun utama badan kendaraan taktis. Penelitian ini bertujuan mengembangkan komposit bermatriks Al-11Zn-6,7Mg dengan variasi kadar penguat SiC sebanyak 0, 10, dan 15 vol.% yang dibuat dengan metode squeeze casting. Karakterisasi yang dilakukan pada komposit ini adalah pengujian komposisi kimia, pengamatan struktur mikro dan Scanning Electron Microscope ? Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy (SEM-EDS), pengujian kekerasan, pengujian impak , dan pengujian balistik tipe III sesuai standar NIJ. Hasil pengujian menunjukkan seiring bertambahnya kadar penguat SiC sebanyak 0, 10, dan 15 vol.% menyebabkan nilai kekerasan pelat komposit meningkat yakni 73 HRB, 85 HRB, 87 HRB dan menunjukkan penurunan harga impak menjadi 12.278,69 J/m2, 11.290,35 J/m2, dan 9.924,54 J/m2. Pada pengamatan SEM-EDS menunjukkan adanya fasa intermetalik Mg3Zn3Al2 yang tebentuk selama solidifikasi, dan indikasi terbentuknya presipitat MgZn2 akibat proses pengerasan penuaan. Komposit bermatriks aluminium dengan penguat SiC dengan kadar 15 vol.% sangat potensial untuk menahan penetrasi dari peluru tipe III (7,62 mm).

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