

## Comparison of Particle Size for $\alpha$ (Alpha) Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and $\gamma$ (Gamma)Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> on Heat Transfer Performance in an Copper Oscillating Heat Pipe

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**Abstract :** The effect of  $\alpha$ (alpha) Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and  $\gamma$ (gamma)Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> particles on the heat transfer performance of an oscillating heat pipe was investigated experimentally. Kerosene was used as the base fluid for the OHP. Six size particles with average diameters of 10 nm, 20 nm, and 30 nm  $\alpha$ Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and  $\gamma$ Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> were investigated, respectively. Experimental results show that the  $\gamma$ Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> particles added in the OHP significantly affect the heat transfer performance. When the OHP was charged with kerosene and 20 nm  $\gamma$  Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> particles, the OHP can achieve the best heat transfer performance among six particles investigated in this research.

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