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In the paper, a particular example of such composites is considered. An analysis of experimental data on creep rupture and matrix oxidation yields a general idea of tailoring creep resistant refractory-metal-matrix composites of high fracture toughness and sufficiently high gas corrosion resistance. To obtain such composites, we need to reinforce a refractory metal with fibres of high creep resistance, which contain an element providing gas corrosion resistance of the composite. (p. 5-14; fig. 9).

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