

# PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF THE RARE EARTH METALS

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**TABLE 1. Data for the Trivalent Ions of the Rare Earth Elements**

Rare earth	Symbol	Atomic no.	Atomic wt. <sup>a</sup>	Electronic configuration for R <sup>3+</sup>				Spectroscopic ground state symbol
				No. 4f electrons	S	L	J	
Scandium	Sc	21	44.955910	0	—	—	—	—
Yttrium	Y	39	88.90585	0	—	—	—	—
Lanthanum	La	57	138.9055	0	—	—	—	—
Cerium	Ce	58	140.115	1	1/2	3	5/2	<sup>2</sup> F <sub>5/2</sub>
Praseodymium	Pr	59	140.90765	2	1	5	4	<sup>3</sup> H <sub>4</sub>
Neodymium	Nd	60	144.24	3	3/2	6	9/2	<sup>4</sup> I <sub>9/2</sub>
Promethium	Pm	61	(145)	4	2	6	4	<sup>5</sup> I <sub>4</sub>
Samarium	Sm	62	150.36	5	5/2	5	5/2	<sup>6</sup> H <sub>5/2</sub>
Europium	Eu	63	151.965	6	3	3	0	<sup>7</sup> F <sub>0</sub>
Gadolinium	Gd	64	157.25	7	7/2	0	7/2	<sup>8</sup> S <sub>7/2</sub>
Terbium	Tb	65	158.92534	8	3	3	6	<sup>7</sup> F <sub>6</sub>
Dysprosium	Dy	66	162.50	9	5/2	5	15/2	<sup>6</sup> H <sub>15/2</sub>
Holmium	Ho	67	164.93032	10	2	6	8	<sup>5</sup> I <sub>8</sub>
Erbium	Er	68	167.26	11	3/2	6	15/2	<sup>4</sup> I <sub>15/2</sub>
Thulium	Tm	69	168.93421	12	1	5	6	<sup>3</sup> H <sub>6</sub>
Ytterbium	Yb	70	173.04	13	1/2	3	7/2	<sup>2</sup> F <sub>7/2</sub>
Lutetium	Lu	71	174.967	14	—	—	—	—

Note: For additional information, see Goldschmidt, Z.B., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978; DeLaeter, J.R., and Heumann, K.G., *J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data*, 20, 1313, 1991; *Pure Appl. Chem.*, 66, 2423, 1994.

<sup>a</sup> 1993 standard atomic weights.

**TABLE 2. Crystallographic Data for the Rare Earth Metals at 24°C (297 K) or Below**

Rare earth metal	Crystal structure <sup>a</sup>	Lattice constants (Å)			Metallic radius CN = 12 (Å)	Atomic volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /mol)	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )
		a <sub>0</sub>	b <sub>0</sub>	c <sub>0</sub>			
αSc	hcp	3.3088	—	5.2680	1.6406	15.039	2.989
αY	hcp	3.6482	—	5.7318	1.8012	19.893	4.469
αLa	dhcp	3.7740	—	12.171	1.8791	22.602	6.146
αCe <sup>b</sup>	fcc	4.85 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	1.72 <sup>b</sup>	17.2 <sup>b</sup>	8.16 <sup>b</sup>
βCe	dhcp	3.6810	—	11.857	1.8321	20.947	6.689
γCe <sup>c</sup>	fcc	5.1610	—	—	1.8247	20.696	6.770
αPr	dhcp	3.6721	—	11.8326	1.8279	20.803	6.773
αNd	dhcp	3.6582	—	11.7966	1.8214	20.583	7.008
αPm	dhcp	3.65	—	11.65	1.811	20.24	7.264
αSm	rhomb <sup>d</sup>	3.6290 <sup>d</sup>	—	26.207	1.8041	20.000	7.520
Eu	bcc	4.5827	—	—	2.0418	28.979	5.244
αGd	hcp	3.6336	—	5.7810	1.8013	19.903	7.901
α'Tb <sup>e</sup>	ortho	3.605 <sup>e</sup>	6.244 <sup>e</sup>	5.706 <sup>e</sup>	1.784 <sup>e</sup>	19.34 <sup>e</sup>	8.219 <sup>e</sup>
αTb	hcp	3.6055	—	5.6966	1.7833	19.310	8.230
α'Dy <sup>f</sup>	ortho	3.595 <sup>f</sup>	6.184 <sup>f</sup>	5.678 <sup>f</sup>	1.774 <sup>f</sup>	19.00 <sup>f</sup>	8.551 <sup>f</sup>
αDy	hcp	3.5915	—	5.6501	1.7740	19.004	8.551
Ho	hcp	3.5778	—	5.6178	1.7661	18.752	8.795
Er	hcp	3.5592	—	5.5850	1.7566	18.449	9.066
Tm	hcp	3.5375	—	5.5540	1.7462	18.124	9.321
αYb <sup>g</sup>	hcp	3.8799 <sup>g</sup>	—	6.3859 <sup>g</sup>	1.9451 <sup>g</sup>	25.067 <sup>g</sup>	6.903 <sup>g</sup>
βYb	fcc	5.4848	—	—	1.9392	24.841	6.966
Lu	hcp	3.5052	—	5.5494	1.7349	17.779	9.841

Note: For additional information, see Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Calderwood, F.W., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 8, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1986; Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., Pecharsky, V.K., Cho, Jaephil and Martin, S.W., *Scripta Mater.*, 1996, to be published.

<sup>a</sup> hcp = hexagonal close-packed; P6<sub>3</sub>/mmc, hP2, A3, Mg-type; dhcp = double-c hexagonal close-packed; P6<sub>3</sub>/mmc, hP4, A3', αLa-type; fcc = face-centered cubic; Fm $\bar{3}$ m, cF4, A1, Cu-type; rhomb = rhombohedral; R $\bar{3}$ m, hR3, αSm-type; bcc = body-centered cubic; Im $\bar{3}$ m, cI2, A2, W-type; ortho = orthorhombic; Cmcm, oC4, α' Dy-type.

<sup>b</sup> At 77 K (−196°C).

<sup>c</sup> Equilibrium room temperature (standard state) phase.

<sup>d</sup> Rhombohedral is the primitive cell. Lattice parameters given are for the nonprimitive hexagonal cell.

<sup>e</sup> At 220 K (−53°C).

<sup>f</sup> At 86 K (−187°C).

<sup>g</sup> At 23°C.

TABLE 3. Crystallographic Data for Rare Earth Metals at High Temperature

Rare earth metal	Structure	Lattice parameter (Å)	Temp. (°C)	Metallic radius		Atomic volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /mol)	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )
				CN = 8 (Å)	CN = 12 (Å)		
βSc	bcc	3.73 (est.)	1337	1.62	1.66	15.6	2.88
βY	bcc	4.10 <sup>a</sup>	1478	1.78	1.83	20.8	4.28
βLa	fcc	5.303	325	—	1.875	22.45	6.187
γLa	bcc	4.26	887	1.84	1.90	23.3	5.97
δCe	bcc	4.12	757	1.78	1.84	21.1	6.65
βPr	bcc	4.13	821	1.79	1.84	21.2	6.64
βNd	bcc	4.13	883	1.79	1.84	21.2	6.80
βPm	bcc	4.10 (est.)	890	1.78	1.83	20.8	6.99
βSm	hcp	$a = 3.6630$ $c = 5.8448$	450 <sup>b</sup>	—	1.8176	20.450	7.353
γSm	bcc	4.10 (est.)	922	1.77	1.82	20.8	7.25
βGd	bcc	4.06	1265	1.76	1.81	20.2	7.80
βTb	bcc	4.07 <sup>a</sup>	1289	1.76	1.81	20.3	7.82
βDy	bcc	4.03 <sup>a</sup>	1381	1.75	1.80	19.7	8.23
γYb	bcc	4.44	763 <sup>c</sup>	1.92	1.98	26.4	6.57

Note: The rare earths Eu, Ho, Er, Tm, and Lu are monomorphic. For additional information, see Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Calderwood, F.W., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 8, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1986, 1.

<sup>a</sup> Determined by extrapolation to 0% solute of a vs. composition data for R-Mg alloys at 24°C and corrected for thermal expansion to temperature given.

<sup>b</sup> The hcp phase was stabilized by impurities and the temperature of measurement was below the equilibrium transition temperature (see Table 4).

<sup>c</sup> The bcc phase was stabilized by impurities and the temperature of measurement was below the equilibrium transition temperature (see Table 4).

TABLE 4. High Temperature Transition Temperatures and Melting Point of Rare Earth Metals

Rare earth metal	Transition I ( $\alpha - \beta$ ) <sup>a</sup>		Transition II ( $\beta - \gamma$ ) <sup>a</sup>		Melting point (°C)
	Temp. (°C)	Phases	Temp. (°C)	Phases	
Sc	1337	hcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	1541
Y	1478	hcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	1522
La <sup>b</sup>	310	dhcp $\rightleftharpoons$ fcc	865	fcc $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	918
Ce <sup>c,d</sup>	139	dhcp $\rightleftharpoons$ fcc ( $\beta - \gamma$ )	726	fcc $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc ( $\gamma - \delta$ )	798
Pr	795	dhcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	931
Nd	863	dhcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	1021
Pm	890	dhcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	1042
Sm <sup>e</sup>	734	rhomb $\rightleftharpoons$ hcp	922	hcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	1074
Eu	—	—	—	—	822
Gd	1235	hcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	1313
Tb	1289	hcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	1356
Dy	1381	hcp $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc	—	—	1412
Ho	—	—	—	—	1474
Er	—	—	—	—	1529
Tm	—	—	—	—	1545
Yb	795	fcc $\rightleftharpoons$ bcc ( $\beta - \gamma$ )	—	—	819
Lu	—	—	—	—	1663

Note: For additional information, see Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Calderwood, F.W., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 8, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1986; Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., Pecharsky, V.K., Cho, Jaephil and Martin, S.W., *Scripta Mater.*, 34, 1717, 1996.

<sup>a</sup> For all the transformations listed, unless otherwise noted.

<sup>b</sup> On cooling, fcc  $\rightarrow$  dhcp ( $\beta \rightarrow \alpha$ ), 260°C.

<sup>c</sup> The  $\beta \rightleftharpoons \gamma$  equilibrium transition temperature is  $10 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ .

<sup>d</sup> On cooling, fcc  $\rightarrow$  dhcp ( $\gamma \rightarrow \beta$ ),  $-16^\circ\text{C}$ .

<sup>e</sup> On cooling, hcp  $\rightarrow$  rhomb ( $\beta \rightarrow \alpha$ ),  $727^\circ\text{C}$ .

TABLE 5. Low Temperature Transition Temperatures of the Rare Earth Metals

Rare earth metal	Cooling			Rare earth metal	Heating		
	Transformation	°C	K		Transformation	°C	K
Ce	$\gamma \rightarrow \beta$ <sup>a</sup>	-16	257	Ce	$\alpha \rightarrow \beta$	-148	125
	$\gamma \rightarrow \alpha$	-172	101		$\alpha \rightarrow \beta + \gamma$	-104	169
	$\beta \rightarrow \alpha$	-228	45		$\beta \rightarrow \gamma$ <sup>a</sup>	139	412
Tb	$\alpha \rightarrow \alpha'$	-53	220	Yb	$\alpha \rightarrow \beta$	7	280
Dy	$\alpha \rightarrow \alpha'$	-187	86				
Yb	$\beta \rightarrow \alpha$	-13	260				

Note: For additional information, see Beaudry, B.J. and Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 173; Koskenmaki, D.C. and Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., 1978, in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 337; Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., Pecharsky, V.K., Cho, Jaephil and Martin, S.W., *Scripta Mater.*, 34, 1717, 1996.

<sup>a</sup> The  $\beta \rightleftharpoons \gamma$  equilibrium transition temperature is  $10 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$  ( $283 \pm 5\text{K}$ ).

TABLE 6. Heat Capacity, Standard Entropy, Heats of Transformation, and Fusion of the Rare Earth Metals

Rare earth metal	Heat capacity at 298 K (J/mol K)	Standard entropy $S_{298}^{\circ}$ (J/mol K)	Heat of transformation (kJ/mol)				Heat of fusion (kJ/mol)
			trans. 1	$\Delta H_{tr}^1$	trans. 2	$\Delta H_{tr}^2$	
Sc	25.5	34.6	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	4.00	—	—	14.1
Y	26.5	44.4	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	4.99	—	—	11.4
La	27.1	56.9	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	0.36	$\beta \rightleftharpoons \gamma$	3.12	6.20
Ce	26.9	72.0	$\beta \rightleftharpoons \gamma$	0.05	$\gamma \rightleftharpoons \delta$	2.99	5.46
Pr	27.2	73.2	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	3.17	—	—	6.89
Nd	27.5	71.5	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	3.03	—	—	7.14
Pm	27.3 <sup>a</sup>	71.6 <sup>a</sup>	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	3.0 <sup>a</sup>	—	—	7.7 <sup>a</sup>
Sm	29.5	69.6	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	0.2 <sup>a</sup>	$\beta \rightleftharpoons \gamma$	3.11	8.62
Eu	27.7	77.8	—	—	—	—	9.21
Gd	37.0	68.1	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	3.91	—	—	10.0
Tb	28.9	73.2	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	5.02	—	—	10.79
Dy	27.7	75.6	$\alpha \rightleftharpoons \beta$	4.16	—	—	11.06
Ho	27.2	75.3	—	—	—	—	17.0 <sup>a</sup>
Er	28.1	73.2	—	—	—	—	19.9
Tm	27.0	74.0	—	—	—	—	16.8
Yb	26.7	59.9	$\beta \rightleftharpoons \gamma$	1.75	—	—	7.66
Lu	26.9	51.0	—	—	—	—	22 <sup>a</sup>

Note: For additional information, see Hultgren, R., Desai, P.D., Hawkins, D.T., Gleiser, M., Kelley, K.K., and Wagman, D.D., *Selected Values of the Thermodynamic Properties of the Elements*, ASM International, Metals Park, Ohio, 1973; Wagman, D.D., Evans, W.H., Parker, V.B., Schumm, R.H., Halow, I., Bailey, S.M., Churney, K.L., and Nuttall, R.L., *The NBS Tables of Chemical Thermodynamic Properties, J. Phys. Chem. Ref. Data*, Vol. 11, Suppl 2, 1982; Amitin, E.B., Bessergenev, W.G., Kovalevskaya, Yu. A., and Paukov, I.E., *J. Chem. Thermodyn.*, 15, 181, 1983; Amitin, E.B., Bessergenev, W.G., Kovalevskaya, Yu. A., and Paukov, I.E., *J. Chem. Thermodyn.*, 15, 181, 1983.

<sup>a</sup> Estimated.

TABLE 7. Vapor Pressures, Boiling Points, and Heats of Sublimation of Rare Earth Metals

Rare earth metal	Temperature in °C <sup>a</sup> for a vapor pressure of				Boiling point <sup>a</sup> (°C)	Heat of sublimation at 25°C (kJ/mol)
	10 <sup>-8</sup> atm (0.001 Pa)	10 <sup>-6</sup> atm (0.101 Pa)	10 <sup>-4</sup> atm (10.1 Pa)	10 <sup>-2</sup> atm (1013 Pa)		
Sc	1036	1243	1533	1999	2836	377.8
Y	1222	1460	1812	2360	3345	424.7
La	1301	1566	1938	2506	3464	431.0
Ce	1290	1554	1926	2487	3443	422.6
Pr	1083	1333	1701	2305	3520	355.6
Nd	955	1175	1500	2029	3074	327.6
Pm	—	—	—	—	3000 <sup>b</sup>	348 <sup>b</sup>
Sm	508	642	835	1150	1794	206.7
Eu	399	515	685	964	1529	175.3
Gd	1167	1408	1760	2306	3273	397.5
Tb	1124	1354	1698	2237	3230	388.7
Dy	804	988	1252	1685	2567	290.4
Ho	845	1036	1313	1771	2700	300.8
Er	908	1113	1405	1896	2868	317.1
Tm	599	748	964	1300	1950	232.2
Yb	301	400	541	776	1196	152.1
Lu	1241	1483	1832	2387	3402	427.6

Note: For additional information, see Hultgren, R., Desai, P.D., Hawkins, D.T., Gleiser, M., Kelley, K.K., and Wagman, D.D., *Selected Values of the Thermodynamic Properties of the Elements*, ASM International, Metals Park, Ohio, 1973; Beaudry, B.J. and Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 173.

<sup>a</sup> International Temperature Scale of 1990 (ITS-90) values.

<sup>b</sup> Estimated.

TABLE 8. Magnetic Properties of the Rare Earth Metals

Rare earth metal	$\chi_A \times 10^6$ at 298 K (emu/mol)	Effective magnetic moment				Easy axis	Néel temp. $T_N$ (K)		Curie temp. $T_C$ (K)	$\theta_p$ (K)		
		Paramagnetic at $\sim 298$ K		Ferromagnetic at $\sim 0$ K			Hex sites	Cubic sites		$\parallel c$	$\perp c$	Polycryst. or avg.
		Theory <sup>a</sup>	Obs.	Theory <sup>b</sup>	Obs.							
$\alpha$ Sc	295.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\alpha$ Y	187.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\alpha$ La	95.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\beta$ La	105	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\gamma$ Ce	2,270	2.54	2.52	2.14	—	—	—	14.4	—	—	—	-50
$\beta$ Ce	2,500	2.54	2.61	2.14	—	—	13.7	12.5	—	—	—	-41
$\alpha$ Pr	5,530	3.58	3.56	3.20	2.7 <sup>c</sup>	<b>a</b>	0.03	—	—	—	—	0
$\alpha$ Nd	5,930	3.62	3.45	3.27	2.2 <sup>c</sup>	<b>b</b>	19.9	7.5	—	0	5	3.3
$\alpha$ Pm	—	2.68	—	2.40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\alpha$ Sm	1,278 <sup>d</sup>	0.85	1.74	0.71	0.5 <sup>c</sup>	<b>a</b>	109	14.0	—	—	—	—
Eu	30,900	7.94	8.48	7.0	5.9	$\langle 110 \rangle$	—	90.4	—	—	—	100
$\alpha$ Gd	185,000 <sup>e</sup>	7.94	7.98	7.0	7.63	$30^\circ$ to <b>c</b>	—	—	293.4	317	317	317
$\alpha$ Tb	170,000	9.72	9.77	—	—	—	230.0	—	—	195	239	224
$\alpha'$ Tb	—	—	—	9.0	9.34	<b>b</b>	—	—	219.5	—	—	—
$\alpha$ Dy	98,000	10.64	10.83	—	—	—	180.2	—	—	121	169	153
$\alpha'$ Dy	—	—	—	10.0	10.33	<b>a</b>	—	—	90.5 <sup>s</sup>	—	—	—
Ho	72,900	10.60	11.2	10.0	10.34	<b>b</b>	132	—	19.5	73.0	88.0	83.0
Er	48,000	9.58	9.9	9.0	9.1	$30^\circ$ to <b>c</b>	85	—	18.7	61.7	32.5	42.2
Tm	24,700	7.56	7.61	7.0	7.14	<b>c</b>	58	—	32.0	41.0	-17.0	2.3
$\beta$ Yb	67 <sup>d</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lu	182.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Note: For additional information, see McEwen, K.A., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 411; Legvold, S., in *Ferromagnetic Materials*, Vol. 1, Wohlfarth, E.P., Ed., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1980, 183; Pecharsky, V.K., Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Fort, D., *Phys. Rev. B*, 47, 5063, 1993; Pecharsky, V.K., Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Fort, D., 1996, to be published; Steward, A.M. and Collocott, S.J., *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter*, 1, 677, 1988.

<sup>a</sup>  $g[J(J+1)]^{1/2}$ .

<sup>b</sup>  $gJ$ .

<sup>c</sup> At 38 T and 4.2 K.

<sup>d</sup> At 290 K.

<sup>e</sup> At 350 K.

<sup>s</sup> On cooling  $T_C = 89.6$  K and on warming  $T_C = 91.5$  K.

TABLE 9. Room Temperature Coefficient of Thermal Expansion, Thermal Conductivity, Electrical Resistance, and Hall Coefficient

Rare earth metal	Expansion ( $\alpha \times 10^6$ ) ( $^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$ )			Thermal conductivity (W/cm K)	Electrical resistance ( $\mu\Omega \cdot \text{cm}$ )			Hall coefficient ( $R_H \times 10^{12}$ ) ( $\text{V} \cdot \text{cm}/\text{A} \cdot \text{Oe}$ )		
	$\alpha_a$	$\alpha_c$	$\alpha_{\text{poly}}$		$\rho_a$	$\rho_c$	$\rho_{\text{poly}}$	$R_a$	$R_c$	$R_{\text{poly}}$
$\alpha$ Sc	7.6	15.3	10.2	0.158	70.9	26.9	56.2 <sup>a</sup>	—	—	-0.13
$\alpha$ Y	6.0	19.7	10.6	0.172	72.5	35.5	59.6	-0.27	-1.6	—
$\alpha$ La	4.5	27.2	12.1	0.134	—	—	61.5	—	—	-0.35
$\beta$ Ce	—	—	—	—	—	—	82.8	—	—	—
$\gamma$ Ce	6.3	—	6.3	0.113	—	—	74.4	—	—	+1.81
$\alpha$ Pr	4.5	11.2	6.7	0.125	—	—	70.0	—	—	+0.709
$\alpha$ Nd	7.6	13.5	9.6	0.165	—	—	64.3	—	—	+0.971
$\alpha$ Pm	9 <sup>b</sup>	16 <sup>b</sup>	11 <sup>b</sup>	0.15 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	75 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	—
$\alpha$ Sm	9.6	19.0	12.7	0.133	—	—	94.0	—	—	-0.21
Eu	35.0	—	35.0	0.139 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	90.0	—	—	+24.4
$\alpha$ Gd	9.1 <sup>c</sup>	10.0 <sup>c</sup>	9.4 <sup>c</sup>	0.105	135.1	121.7	131.0	-10	-54	-4.48 <sup>d</sup>
$\alpha$ Tb	9.3	12.4	10.3	0.111	123.5	101.5	115.0	-1.0	-3.7	—
$\alpha$ Dy	7.1	15.6	9.9	0.107	111.0	76.6	92.6	-0.3	-3.7	—
Ho	7.0	19.5	11.2	0.162	101.5	60.5	81.4	+0.2	-3.2	—
Er	7.9	20.9	12.2	0.145	94.5	60.3	86.0	+0.3	-3.6	—
Tm	8.8	22.2	13.3	0.169	88.0	47.2	67.6	—	—	-1.8
$\beta$ Yb	26.3	—	26.3	0.385	—	—	25.0	—	—	+3.77
Lu	4.8	20.0	9.9	0.164	76.6	34.7	58.2	+0.45	-2.6	-0.535

Note: For additional information, see Beaudry, B. J. and Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 173; McEwen, K.A., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 411.

<sup>a</sup> Calculated from single crystal values.

<sup>b</sup> Estimated.

<sup>c</sup> At 100 $^\circ\text{C}$ .

<sup>d</sup> At 77 $^\circ\text{C}$ .

TABLE 10. Electronic Specific Heat Constant ( $\gamma$ ), Electron-Electron (Coulomb) Coupling Constant ( $\mu^*$ ), Electron-Phonon Coupling Constant ( $\lambda$ ), Debye Temperature at 0 K ( $\theta_D$ ), and Superconducting Transition Temperature

Rare earth metal	$\gamma$ (mJ/mol·K <sup>2</sup> )	$\mu^*$	$\lambda$	$\theta_D$ (K) from		Superconducting temperature (K)
				Heat capacity	Elastic constants	
$\alpha$ Sc	10.334	0.16	0.30	345.3	—	0.050 <sup>a</sup>
$\alpha$ Y	7.878	0.15	0.30	244.4	258	1.3 <sup>b</sup>
$\alpha$ La	9.45	0.08	0.76	150	154	5.10
$\beta$ La	11.5	—	—	140	—	6.00
$\alpha$ Ce	12.8	—	—	179	—	0.022 <sup>c</sup>
$\alpha$ Pr	20	—	1.07 <sup>d</sup>	155 <sup>e</sup>	153	—
$\alpha$ Nd	f	—	0.86 <sup>d</sup>	157 <sup>e</sup>	163	—
$\alpha$ Pm	—	—	—	159 <sup>e</sup>	—	—
$\alpha$ Sm	8.1 $\pm$ 1.5 <sup>g</sup>	—	0.81 <sup>d</sup>	162 <sup>e,f</sup>	169	—
Eu	f	—	—	f	118	—
$\alpha$ Gd	4.48	—	0.30	169	182	—
$\alpha'$ Tb	3.71	—	0.34 <sup>d</sup>	169.6	177	—
$\alpha'$ Dy	4.9	—	0.32 <sup>d</sup>	192	183	—
Ho	2.1	—	0.30 <sup>d</sup>	175 <sup>e</sup>	190	—
Er	8.7	—	0.33 <sup>d</sup>	176.9	188	—
Tm	f	—	0.36 <sup>d</sup>	179 <sup>e</sup>	200	—
$\alpha$ Yb	3.30	—	—	117.6	118	—
$\beta$ Yb	8.36	—	—	109	—	—
Lu	8.194	0.14	0.31	183.2	185	0.022 <sup>h</sup>

Note: For additional information, see Sundström, L.J., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 379; Scott, T., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 591; Probst, C. and Wittig, J., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 749; Tsang, T.-W.E., Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., Schmidt, F.A., and Thome, D.K., *Phys. Rev.*, B, 31, 235, 1985; Collocott, S.J., Hill, R.W. and Stewart, A.M., *J. Phys. F*, 18, L223, 1988; Hill, R.W. and Gschneidner, K.A., Jr., *J. Phys. F*, 18, 2545, 1988; Skriver, H.L. and Mertig, I., *Phys. Rev. B*, 41, 6553, 1990. Collocott, S.J. and Stewart, A.M., *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter*, 4, 6743, 1992; Pecharsky, V.K., Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Fort, D., *Phys. Rev. B*, 47, 5063, 1993.

<sup>a</sup> At 18.6 GPa.

<sup>b</sup> At 11 GPa.

<sup>c</sup> At 2.2 GPa.

<sup>d</sup> Calculated value.

<sup>e</sup> Estimated.

<sup>f</sup> Heat capacity results have been reported, but the resultant  $\gamma$  and  $\theta_D$  values are unreliable because of the presence of impurities and/or there was no reliable procedure or model to correct for the magnetic contribution to the heat capacity.

<sup>g</sup> Based on the values reported for the purer Sm sample (IV).

<sup>h</sup> At 4.5 GPa.

TABLE 11. Room Temperature Elastic Moduli and Mechanical Properties

Rare earth metal	Elastic moduli (GPa)				Mechanical properties (MPa)				Recryst. temp. (°C)
	Young's (elastic) modulus	Shear modulus	Bulk modulus	Poisson's ratio	Yield strength 0.2% offset	Ultimate tensile strength	Uniform elongation (%)	Reduction in area (%)	
Sc	74.4	29.1	56.6	0.279	173 <sup>a</sup>	255 <sup>a</sup>	5.0 <sup>a</sup>	8.0 <sup>a</sup>	550
Y	63.5	25.6	41.2	0.243	42	129	34.0	—	550
$\alpha$ La	36.6	14.3	27.9	0.280	126 <sup>a</sup>	130	7.9 <sup>a</sup>	—	300
$\beta$ Ce	—	—	—	—	86	138	—	24.0	—
$\gamma$ Ce	33.6	13.5	21.5	0.24	28	117	22.0	30.0	325
$\alpha$ Pr	37.3	14.8	28.8	0.281	73	147	15.4	67.0	400
$\alpha$ Nd	41.4	16.3	31.8	0.281	71	164	25.0	72.0	400
$\alpha$ Pm	46 <sup>b</sup>	18 <sup>b</sup>	33 <sup>b</sup>	0.28 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	—	—	400 <sup>b</sup>
$\alpha$ Sm	49.7	19.5	37.8	0.274	68	156	17.0	29.5	440
Eu	18.2	7.9	8.3	0.152	—	—	—	—	300
$\alpha$ Gd	54.8	21.8	37.9	0.259	15	118	37.0	56.0	500
$\alpha$ Tb	55.7	22.1	38.7	0.261	—	—	—	—	500
$\alpha$ Dy	61.4	24.7	40.5	0.247	43	139	30.0	30.0	550
Ho	64.8	26.3	40.2	0.231	—	—	—	—	520
Er	69.9	28.3	44.4	0.237	60	136	11.5	11.9	520
Tm	74.0	30.5	44.5	0.213	—	—	—	—	600
$\beta$ Yb	23.9	9.9	30.5	0.207	7	58	43.0	92.0	300
Lu	68.6	27.2	47.6	0.261	—	—	—	—	600

Note: For additional information, see Scott, T., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 1, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1978, 591.

<sup>a</sup> Value is questionable.

<sup>b</sup> Estimated.

TABLE 12. Liquid Metal Properties Near the Melting Point

Rare earth metal	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Surface tension (N/m)	Viscosity (centipoise)	Heat capacity (J/mol K)	Thermal conductivity (W/cm K)	Magnetic susceptibility $\chi \times 10^4$ (emu/mol)	Electrical resistivity ( $\mu\Omega\cdot\text{cm}$ )	$\Delta V$ (l $\rightarrow$ s) <sup>a</sup> (%)	Spectral emittance at $\lambda = 645$ nm	
									$\epsilon$ (%)	Temp.
Sc	2.80	0.954	—	44.2 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—
Y	4.24	0.871	—	43.1	—	—	—	—	36.8	1522–1647
La	5.96	0.718	2.65	34.3	0.238	1.20	133	-0.6	25.4	920–1287
Ce	6.68	0.706	3.20	37.7	0.210	9.37	130	+1.1	32.2	877–1547
Pr	6.59	0.707	2.85	43.0	0.251	17.3	139	-0.02	28.4	931–1537
Nd	6.72	0.687	—	48.8	0.195	18.7	151	-0.9	39.4	1021–1567
Pm	6.9 <sup>b</sup>	0.680 <sup>b</sup>	—	50 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	160 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	—
Sm	7.16	0.431	—	50.2 <sup>b</sup>	—	18.3	182	-3.6	43.7	1075
Eu	4.87	0.264	—	38.1	—	97	242	-4.8	—	—
Gd	7.4	0.664	—	37.2	0.149	67	195	-2.0	34.2	1313–1600
Tb	7.65	0.669	—	46.5	—	82	193	-3.1	—	—
Dy	8.2	0.648	—	49.9	0.187	95	210	-4.5	29.7	1412–1437
Ho	8.34	0.650	—	43.9	—	88	221	-7.4	—	—
Er	8.6	0.637	—	38.7	—	69	226	-9.0	37.2	1529–1587
Tm	9.0 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	41.4	—	41	235 <sup>b</sup>	-6.9	—	—
Yb	6.21	0.320	2.67	36.8	—	—	113	-5.1	—	—
Lu	9.3	0.940	—	47.9 <sup>b</sup>	—	—	224	-3.6	—	—

Note: For additional information, see Van Zytveld, J., in *Handbook on the Physics and Chemistry of Rare Earths*, Vol. 12, Gschneidner, K.A., Jr. and Eyring, L., Eds., North-Holland Physics, Amsterdam, 1989, 357. Stretz, L.A. and Bautista, R.G., in *Temperature, Its Measurement and Control in Science and Industry*, Vol. 4, part I, H.H. Plumb, Ed., Instrument Society of America, Pittsburgh, 1972, 489. King, T.S., Baria, D.N., and Bautista, R.G., *Met. Trans. B*, 7, 411, 1976; Baria, D.N., King, T.S., and Bautista, R.G., *Met. Trans. B*, 7, 577, 1976.

<sup>a</sup> Volume change on freezing.

<sup>b</sup> Estimated.

TABLE 13. Ionization Potentials (Electronvolts)

Rare earth	I Neutral atom	II Singly ionized	III Doubly ionized	IV Triply ionized	V Quadruply ionized
Sc	6.56144	12.79967	24.75666	73.4894	91.65
Y	6.217	12.24	20.52	60.597	77.0
La	5.5770	11.060	19.1773	49.95	61.6
Ce	5.5387	10.85	20.198	36.758	65.55
Pr	5.464	10.55	21.624	38.98	57.53
Nd	5.5250	10.73	22.1	40.41	—
Pm	5.554	10.90	22.3	41.1	—
Sm	5.6437	11.07	23.4	41.4	—
Eu	5.6704	11.241	24.92	42.7	—
Gd	6.1500	12.09	20.63	44.0	—
Tb	5.8639	11.52	21.91	39.79	—
Dy	5.9389	11.67	22.8	41.47	—
Ho	6.0216	11.80	22.84	42.5	—
Er	6.1078	11.93	22.74	42.7	—
Tm	6.18431	12.05	23.68	42.7	—
Yb	6.25416	12.1761	25.05	43.56	—
Lu	5.42585	13.9	20.9594	45.25	66.8

Note: For references, see the table "Ionization Potentials of Atoms and Atomic Ions" in Section 10.

TABLE 14. Effective Ionic Radii (Å)<sup>a</sup>

Rare earth ion	$R^{2+}$		$R^{3+}$			$R^{4+}$	
	CN = 6	CN = 8	CN = 6	CN = 8	CN = 12	CN = 6	CN = 8
Sc	—	—	0.745	0.87	1.116	—	—
Y	—	—	0.900	1.015	1.220	—	—
La	—	—	1.045	1.18	1.320	—	—
Ce	—	—	1.010	1.14	1.290	0.80	0.97
Pr	—	—	0.997	1.14	1.286	0.78	0.96
Nd	—	—	0.983	1.12	1.276	—	—
Pm	—	—	0.97	1.10	1.267	—	—
Sm	1.19	1.27	0.958	1.09	1.260	—	—
Eu	1.17	1.25	0.947	1.07	1.252	—	—
Gd	—	—	0.938	1.06	1.246	—	—
Tb	—	—	0.923	1.04	1.236	0.76	0.88
Dy	—	—	0.912	1.03	1.228	—	—
Ho	—	—	0.901	1.02	1.221	—	—
Er	—	—	0.890	1.00	1.214	—	—
Tm	—	—	0.880	0.99	1.207	—	—
Yb	1.00	1.07	0.868	0.98	1.199	—	—
Lu	—	—	0.861	0.97	1.194	—	—

Note: For additional information, see Shannon, R.D. and Prewitt, C.T., *Acta Cryst.*, 25, 925, 1969 and Shannon, R.D. and Prewitt, C.T., *Acta Cryst.*, 26, 1046, 1970.

<sup>a</sup> Radius of O<sup>2-</sup> is 1.40 Å for a coordination number (CN) of 6.