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## Abstract

In this study,  $C_f/SiC$  composite was modified with SiC nanowires (SiC<sub>nws</sub>) grown *in-situ* in SiC matrix. Effects of SiC<sub>nw</sub> on bending strength and fracture toughness were investigated by comparison with conventional  $C_f/SiC$ . Results showed that SiC<sub>nw</sub> significantly improved both strength and fracture toughness of  $C_f/SiC$ . Compared to  $C_f/SiC$ , flexural strengths of  $C_f/SiC-SiC_{nw}/PyC$  and  $C_f/SiC-SiC_{nw}$ composites increased from 363.1MPa to 375MPa and 466.9MPa, respectively. Bending strength and fracture toughness were estimated to 565 MPa and 20.30 MPa·m<sup>1/2</sup> for  $C_f/SiC$  containing SiC<sub>nw</sub> at high temperature (1000°C), respectively. Download English Version:

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