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**Abstract** 

The effect of entropy on the strengths of the disordered and ordered phases was

investigated. Cost effective AlCo<sub>x</sub>CrFeNi (x=0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, and 1) high-entropy alloys

were fabricated reducing Co content. The strength was considerably reduced when the Co

content was zero. This was attributed to the low hardness of the A2 phase due to reduced

configurational entropy compared with quinary system. On the other hand, the ordered B2

phase showed the opposite tendency. This result shows that the configurational entropy

causes opposing effects on disordered and ordered phases, and the importance of considering

the effect of entropy on each phase when the number of elements changed, and an alloy is

composed of two or more phases, in particular, having BCC structure.

**Keywords:** High entropy alloy; Indentation; Hardness

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