

# Supplementary Information

## Assessment of the interatomic potentials of beryllium for mechanical properties

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**Table S1.** The parameters of MEAM type potential developed for beryllium.

$r_{cut}$	$\alpha$	$\beta^{(0)}$	$\beta^{(1)}$	$\beta^{(2)}$	$\beta^{(3)}$
3.5	3.8501	0.24826	0.004161	0.33524	$3.8426 \times 10^{-7}$
$r_e$	$E_c$	$A$	$t^{(0)}$	$t^{(1)}$	$t^{(2)}$
2.2433361	3.42	1.1801	1.0	4.5561	21.956
$t^{(3)}$	$\delta$	$C_{min}$	$C_{max}$		
-10.234	0.01	1.1	1.5		

**Table S2.** The parameters of Tersoff type potential developed for beryllium.

$R$ (Å)	$D$ (Å)	$A$	$B$	$\lambda_1$	$\lambda_2$	$n$
2.685	0.223	367.830	13.915	3.193	1.026	1.0
$\beta$ (Å <sup>-1</sup> )	$m$	$\lambda_3$	$c$	$d$	$\gamma$	$\cos\theta_0$
1.0	1.0	1.7	32.328	0.053	$4.787 \times 10^{-7}$	-0.827

**Table S3.** The parameters of the Finnis-Sinclair type potential developed for beryllium.

$r_{a1}$	$r_{a2}$	$r_{a3}$	$r_{a4}$	$r_{a5}$	$r_{a6}$	$r_{a7}$
2.0400000	1.7407111	1.3816634	1.2278749	1.0400000	0.97352665	0.96379139
$A_1$	$A_2$	$A_3$	$A_4$	$A_5$	$A_6$	$A_7$
0.8975540	-2.0922508	-6.9015384	18.6591697	55.5572581	50.0000000	100.000000
						0
$r_{b1}$	$r_{b2}$	$r_{b3}$	$r_{b4}$	$r_{b5}$	$m$	$n$
2.0400000	1.7233905	1.4095758	1.2242095	1.0408000	5	7
$B_1$	$B_2$	$B_3$	$B_4$	$B_5$	$A$	
2.7114616	-5.9662845	-19.695599	57.1589316	188.864045	0.00638918	
		3		1		

**Table S4.** Effect of void size of spherical void on the mechanical performance of beryllium subject to uniaxial tension. The interatomic potential used is the MEAM potential.

<b>Void-embedded</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>407</b>
Tensile toughness(J/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.559	1.455	1.279	0.995	0.942
Young's modules(GPa)	294.8	294.6	294.0	293.6	289.2
Fracture stress(GPa)	25.12	24.53	23.38	20.68	19.806
Fracture strain	0.109	0.105	0.098	0.086	0.084
<b>Void-embedded</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>1339</b>	<b>2114</b>	<b>3148</b>	<b>4505</b>
Tensile toughness(J/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.959	0.869	0.819	0.743	0.666
Young's modules(GPa)	281.9	272.9	264.3	250.7	236.6
Fracture stress(GPa)	19.77	18.27	17.61	16.31	14.75
Fracture strain	0.086	0.083	0.082	0.08	0.078

**Table S5.** Effect of temperature on the mechanical performance of beryllium subject to uniaxial tension. The interatomic potential used is the MEAM potential.

<b>Temperature(K)</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>600</b>
Tensile toughness(J/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.361	0.959	0.622	0.360
Young's modules(GPa)	285.4	281.9	281.0	274.6
Fracture stress(GPa)	23.86	19.77	17.50	11.62
Fracture strain	0.103	0.086	0.069	0.052

**Table S6.** Effect of void size of spherical void on the mechanical performance of beryllium subject to uniaxial tension. The interatomic potential used is the Tersoff potential.

<b>Void-embedded</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>407</b>
Tensile toughness(J/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.986	1.510	1.336	1.199	1.091
Young's modules(GPa)	192.1	191.7	189.2	190.6	186.7
Fracture stress(GPa)	37.77	33.95	31.87	29.42	27.29
Fracture strain	0.121	0.108	0.103	0.099	0.096
<b>Void-embedded</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>1339</b>	<b>2114</b>	<b>3148</b>	<b>4505</b>
Tensile toughness(J/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.038	1.008	0.995	0.871	0.870
Young's modules(GPa)	188.3	176.5	172.7	164.5	155.9
Fracture stress(GPa)	25.92	25.27	24.51	22.26	21.75
Fracture strain	0.095	0.095	0.096	0.093	0.095

**Table S7.** Effect of temperature on the mechanical performance of beryllium subject to uniaxial tension. The interatomic potential used is the Tersoff potential.

<b>Temperature(K)</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>600</b>
Tensile toughness(J/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.157	1.038	0.948	0.853
Young's modules(GPa)	185.0	188.3	193.1	202.6
Fracture stress(GPa)	29.78	25.92	23.61	21.21
Fracture strain	0.102	0.095	0.089	0.083

**Table S8.** Effect of void size of spherical void on the mechanical performance of beryllium subject to uniaxial tension. The interatomic potential used is the Finnis-Sinclair potential.

<b>Void-embedded</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>407</b>
Tensile toughness(J/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.035	1.071	0.993	0.907	0.844
Young's modules(GPa)	306.2	310.7	298.1	300.1	299.8
Fracture stress(GPa)	19.40	19.41	19.31	18.78	18.19
Fracture strain	0.089	0.091	0.087	0.083	0.08
<b>Void-embedded</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>1339</b>	<b>2114</b>	<b>3148</b>	<b>4505</b>
Tensile toughness (J/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.790	0.733	0.709	0.695	0.689
Young's modules (GPa)	296.5	284.2	275.0	261.2	252.0
Fracture stress (GPa)	17.59	16.94	16.39	15.63	14.95
Fracture strain	0.078	0.076	0.076	0.077	0.079

**Table S9.** Effect of temperature on the mechanical performance of beryllium subject to uniaxial tension. The interatomic potential used is the Finnis-Sinclair potential.

<b>Temperature (K)</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>600</b>
Tensile toughness (J/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.796	0.790	0.757	0.687
Young's modules (GPa)	280.3	296.5	299.1	296.0
Fracture stress (GPa)	18.31	17.59	16.74	15.91
Fracture strain	0.074	0.078	0.076	0.072