

Praseodymium

Above about 600 °C at all pressures up to 70 kilobars a compound was formed whose X ray diffraction pattern could be matched line for line to the LaSb₂ type orthorhombic pattern for NdSb₂ given by Wang (25). It was concluded that PrSb₂ had been synthesized. This compound had not been reported previously. No other reaction products were observed.

Neodymium

Only LaSb₂ type NdSb₂ was observed above 600 °C for all pressures up to 70 kilobars. NdSb₂ was identified by comparing its X ray powder diffraction pattern with the pattern given by Wang (25).

Samarium

Only LaSb₂ type SmSb₂ was obtained above 600 °C for all pressures up to 70 kilobars.

Europium

A white or yellow powder plus antimony was obtained for all conditions above 400 °C and up to 70 kilobars. The powder was not definitely identified but was probably a europium oxide.

Gadolinium

Several different reaction products were obtained in this case. The reaction product diagram is shown in Figure