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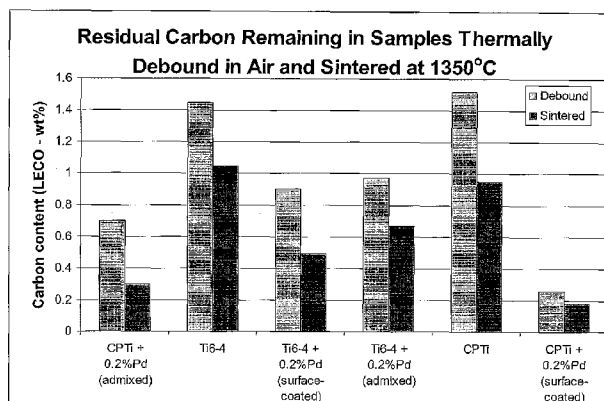


FIGURE 4

(57) **Abstract**: The present invention relates to a method for controlling the carbon and/or oxygen content in a material comprising the steps of: a) forming a feedstock composition comprising at least one powder, at least one platinum group metal and at least one binder; and b) forming the material by powder injection molding; wherein at least a proportion of the carbon and/or oxygen is catalytically removed by the at least one platinum group metal