

[0100] Ramaswamy et al. (2002) report experimental results for average heat flux versus wall superheat in microchannels with engineered features in the walls to enhance boiling which range from about 4 W/cm<sup>2</sup> at a wall superheat of 4.5° C. to about 19 W/cm<sup>2</sup> at a wall superheat of 13° C. with hydraulic diameter varying between 0.134 mm and 0.287 mm. Finally, Honda and Wei (2004) have measured average heat flux for a given wall superheat for engineered wall surfaces. FIG. 4 shows the combined effects of fin thickness and fin height on the boiling curve of micropin-finned chip. The boiling curves of various other chip designs (Chip S, Oktay and Schmekenbecher, O'Connor et al., and Anderson and Mudawar) are also shown for comparison. In FIG. 4, Chip PFa-h (a=30 and 50, h=60-270) denotes the micropin-finned chip with in-line array of a micron thick and h micron high square pin fins. The fin spacing is the same as the fin thickness.

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