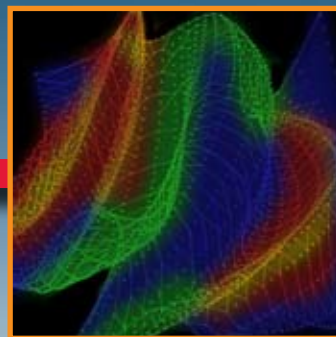


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TMS 2008 is bringing top materials scientists and engineers from around the world together to address some of today's global challenges:

- ▶ Resolving technology and techno-management issues for the production of aluminum, metal castings, steel, automotive and electronic materials
- ▶ Optimizing energy utilization and addressing environmental impacts
- ▶ Developing materials for high-performance applications
- ▶ Achieving process improvement for a variety of materials under a variety of conditions
- ▶ Preparing future materials scientists and engineers

These issues and more are presented in 56 symposia covering four major themes:

Light Metals

Extraction, Processing, Structure and Properties

Emerging Materials

Materials and Society

TMS 2008 addresses these global challenges with traditional programming presenting new developments, such as . . .

9th Global Innovations Symposium

Aluminum Reduction Technology

Bulk Metallic Glasses

Magnesium Technology 2008

Materials in Clean Power Systems III

Ultrafine Grained Materials

. . . with new partnerships represented . . .

American Physical Society and TMS present Integrated Computational Materials Engineering symposia.

The Chinese Society for Metals delegation, led by Professor Liu Yongcai, deputy secretary general, and the Indian Institute of Metals delegation, led by Dr. Sanak Mishra, vice president and chairman of the ferrous division, provide perspective in the Materials and Society symposia.

Linking Science and Technology for Global Solutions

... and **new perspectives** for discussion ...

Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Features leaders from the world's largest aluminum companies: Alcan, Alcoa, BHP Billiton, Chalco and Hydro Aluminum

Energy Conservation in Metals Extraction and Materials Processing

Presents current and potential technology and methodologies for energy saving techniques

IOMMMS Global Materials Forum 2008: Creating the Future MS&E Professionals

Highlights approaches from China, India, Japan and the United States

Materials for Infrastructure: Building Bridges in the Global Community

Includes special guided tour for symposium attendees covering the geology of the Katrina disaster. See page 27 to learn how you can leave a lasting impression on New Orleans!

Role of Engineers in Meeting 21st Century Societal Challenges

Addresses energy, transportation, housing, health and recycling issues

Sloan Industry Centers Forum: Techno-Management Issues Related to Materials-Centric Industries

Considers aluminum, metal processing, steel, automotive, paper and wood

With 56 symposia, three short courses, six lectures, eight networking receptions, 130+ exhibitors, one free collected proceedings CD-ROM, and thousands of your colleagues from 70 countries, **TMS 2008 offers you the opportunity to learn, network and advance global solutions for today's materials challenges.**

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Light Metals

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 Aluminum Alloys: Fabrication, Characterization and Applications
 Aluminum Reduction Technology
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 Cast Shop Technology
 Characterization of Minerals, Metals and Materials
 Computational Thermodynamics and Kinetics
 Electrode Technology
 Frontiers in Process Modeling
 Magnesium Technology 2008
 Materials Informatics: Enabling Integration of Modeling and Experiments in Materials Science
 Recycling

Related Lecture and Short Courses:

- *"Innovations in Steel Production – Animations for Aluminium Technologies?"*
- *Furnace Systems and Technology*
- *Grain Refinement of Aluminium Alloys: Theory and Practice*
- *Greenhouse Gas Emissions*

See page 12 for details.

Extraction, Processing, Structure and Properties

3-Dimensional Materials Science
 9th Global Innovations Symposium: Trends in Integrated Computational Materials Engineering for Materials Processing and Manufacture
 Acta Materialia Gold Medal Symposium: Recent Developments in Rare Earth Science and Technology
 Advances in Roasting, Sintering, Calcining, Preheating and Drying
 APS Frontiers of Computational Materials Science
 Aqueous Processing
 Biological Materials Science
 Bulk Metallic Glasses V
 Carbon Dioxide Reduction Metallurgy
 Characterization of Minerals, Metals and Materials
 Complex Oxide Materials: Synthesis, Properties and Applications
 Computational Thermodynamics and Kinetics

Creating the ICME Cyberinfrastructure: an Interdisciplinary Technology Forum
 Deformation Twinning: Formation Mechanisms and Effects on Material Plasticity – Experiments and Modeling
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 Energy Conservation in Metals Extraction and Materials Processing
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 Pyrometallurgy
 Recent Industrial Applications of Solid-State Phase Transformations
 Recycling
 Refractory Metals 2008
 Structural Aluminides for Elevated Temperature Applications
 Ultrafine-Grained Materials: Fifth International Symposium

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- *"High Performance Structural Metals: an Undervalued but Critical Enabling Technology"*
- *Nanoscale Metal Silicides*

See page 11 for details.

Symposia Listed by Theme

Emerging Materials

2008 Nanomaterials: Fabrication, Properties and Applications
3-Dimensional Materials Science
4th Lead-Free Solders Technology Workshop
9th Global Innovations Symposium: Trends in Integrated
Computational Materials Engineering for Materials Processing
and Manufacture
Acta Materialia Gold Medal Symposium: Recent Developments in
Rare Earth Science and Technology
Advances in Semiconductor, Electro Optic and Radio
Frequency Materials
Biological Materials Science
Bulk Metallic Glasses V
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Hume-Rothery Symposium: Nanoscale Phases
Materials in Clean Power Systems III: Fuel Cells, Hydrogen, and
Clean Coal-Based Technologies
Materials Informatics: Enabling Integration of Modeling and
Experiments in Materials Science
Mechanics and Kinetics of Interfaces in Multicomponent
Materials Systems
Micro-Engineered Particulate-Based Materials
Neutron and X-Ray Studies for Probing Materials Behavior
Particle Beam-Induced Radiation Effects in Materials
Phase Stability, Phase Transformations and Reactive Phase
Formation in Electronic Materials VII
Recycling
Structural Aluminides for Elevated Temperature Applications
Ultrafine-Grained Materials: Fifth International Symposium

Related Short Course:

- *Nanomechanical Characterization*

See page 13 for details.

Materials and Society

Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Emissions
IOMMMS Global Materials Forum 2008: Creating the Future
MS&E Professionals
Materials for Infrastructure: Building Bridges in the
Global Community
National Materials Advisory Board Town Hall Meeting on Assessing
Corrosion Education
Role of Engineers in Meeting 21st Century Societal Challenges
Sloan Industry Centers Forum: Techno-Management Issues
Related to Materials-Centric Industries

About Materials and Society

Many of the programs and activities fit broadly under the umbrella of Materials and Society—from many symposia and presentations in the technical program to the community outreach that will be performed on-site. Many invited speakers will examine opportunities for the materials science and engineering community to proactively address the complex technological, professional, educational, societal, environmental, infrastructural and economic issues that challenge the sustainability of today's world. We are all challenged to improve the world as we know it for those in developing countries and to secure it for future generations.

Related Lecture and Short Course:

- *"Design for the Other 90%"*
- *Greenhouse Gas Emissions*

See page 11 for details.

Turn to the alphabetical listing of the symposia on the following pages for descriptions.

2008 Nanomaterials: Fabrication, Properties and Applications

...development, manufacture and application of functional nanomaterials

- Functional applications of nanomaterials
- Nanostructure fabrication
- Carbon nanostructures
- Quantum-dots

3-Dimensional Materials Science

...advanced characterization, modeling and microanalysis

- 3-D visualization and modeling
- 3-D microstructural evolution
- Microscopy techniques
- Microanalysis methods

4th Lead-Free Solders Technology Workshop

...TMS-Surface Mount Technology Association forum addressing critical needs

- Solder systems
- Packaging technologies
- Reliability
- Legislation

9th Global Innovations Symposium: Trends in Integrated Computational Materials Engineering for Materials Processing and Manufacture

...TMS-American Physical Society plenary discussions of advancements in materials modeling across length scales, and manufacturing impact

- Nuclear materials
- Ceramics
- Aluminum
- Nanomaterials

Acta Materialia Gold Medal Symposium: Recent Developments in Rare Earth Science and Technology

...in honor of Karl Gschneidner Jr.

- Single crystals
- Characterization and properties
- Novel applications
- Recent advancements

Advances in Roasting, Sintering, Calcining, Preheating and Drying

...state-of-the-art in processing technologies

- Iron ore
- Alumina
- Rotary kiln systems

Advances in Semiconductor, Electro Optic and Radio Frequency Materials

...development, fabrication and application of emerging technologies

- Medical device semiconductors
- Nanomaterials
- Photovoltaics

Alumina and Bauxite

...mining and refining of raw materials for aluminum production

- Alumina refinery design and development
- Alumina refinery safety and integrity
- Bauxite and digestion
- Precipitation

Aluminum Alloys: Fabrication, Characterization and Applications

...advancements in aluminum for today's marketplace

- Alloy characterization
- Alloy development
- Aluminum products and applications

Aluminum Reduction Technology

...conversion of alumina to aluminum

- Alternative processes
- Anode design and operation
- Cell fundamentals and phenomena
- Environmental and plant improvements
- Process control developments

Aluminum Reduction Symposium Organizer Martin Iffert:

"(This symposium) has a strong focus on sustainability and environmental aspects in the aluminum smelting process. This includes firsthand information about the European emission trading scheme and the influence on energy prices, smelter economy and environment."

APS Frontiers of Computational Materials Science

...American Physical Society forum on progress in computational materials methods

Aqueous Processing

...recent progress

- Alternative leaching processes
- Precious metals
- Process-stability relationships
- New strategies and techniques

Biological Materials Science

...development of biological materials and biomaterial devices

- Biocompatibility
- Mimicking biological systems
- Bioinspired design
- Mechanical and environmental response

Bulk Metallic Glasses V

...state-of-the-art development

- Mechanical behavior
- Characterization
- Modeling
- Processing

Carbon Dioxide Reduction Metallurgy

(sponsored by TMS, American Iron and Steel Institute, and Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum)

...state-of-the-art carbon dioxide metallurgical reduction and decreased use of carbon

- Green production of light metals
- Green production of steel
- Carbon sequestration
- Electrochemical reduction of carbon dioxide

Cast Shop Technology

...melting and metal treatment of aluminum

- Sustainability and environmental issues
- Cast house operations and melting
- Cast shop safety
- Casting, solidification and microstructures

Characterization of Minerals, Metals and Materials

...techniques for characterizing materials across a spectrum of systems and processes

- Characterization of mechanical and physical properties of materials
- Characterization of processing of materials
- Characterization of structure across length scales

Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Emissions

...industry leaders discuss progress and challenges for the materials industries

- Alcan
- Alcoa
- BHP Billiton
- Chalco
- Hydro Aluminum

Complex Oxide Materials: Synthesis, Properties and Applications

...interdisciplinary forum bridging materials research and application

- Novel functional oxide thin films
- Nanostructures
- Oxides for energy technologies
- Ferroelectrics, multiferroics, piezoelectrics and dielectrics

Computational Thermodynamics and Kinetics

...TMS-American Physical Society symposia on fundamental modeling methods and application for materials structures

- Integrated Computational Materials Engineering (ICME)
- Microstructure properties and evolution
- Phase transformations
- Nanoscale systems

Creating the ICME Cyberinfrastructure: an Interdisciplinary Technology Forum

...TMS-American Physical Society roundtable

- State-of-the-art capabilities
- CyberDesign
- Roadmapping development needs

Deformation Twinning: Formation Mechanisms and Effects on Material Plasticity—Experiments and Modeling

...progress in fundamentals of deformation twinning

- Texture, twinning and hardening
- Constitutive modeling
- Electron microscopy
- Flow and fracture

Electrode Technology

(formerly Carbon Technology)

...anodes and cathodes used in aluminum reduction

- Sustainability and environmental issues
- Anode technology and production
- Carbon anodes
- Inert anode materials

Emerging Interconnect and Packaging Technologies

...advanced lead-free solder and packaging technologies

- Electromigration
- Microstructures and characterization
- Processing and reliability issues
- Whisker growth, design and modeling

Emerging Methods to Understand Mechanical Behavior

...advanced characterization and analytical methods

- Orientation imaging microscopy
- Texture evolution
- Nanomechanical testing
- Static, dynamic and cyclic testing

Energy Conservation in Metals Extraction and Materials Processing

...technologies to reduce energy consumption for material production

- Energy and environmental conservation
- Enhanced energy efficiency
- Alternate technologies
- Modeling, simulation and application experiences

Enhancing Materials Durability via Surface Engineering

...recent advancements in surface engineering and modification for life enhancement

- Coatings for environmental, thermal and wear resistance
- Residual stresses
- Graded and novel structures
- Modeling

Frontiers in Process Modeling

...advancing materials development

- Hot-rolling technologies
- Deformation of materials
- Primary metal production

Hael Mughrabi Honorary Symposium: Plasticity, Failure and Fatigue in Structural Materials—from Macro to Nano

...deformation and fracture mechanisms

- Single crystals
- Mathematical modeling
- Cyclic, static and dynamic loading
- Damage evolution

Help to celebrate Professor Hael Mughrabi's lifelong accomplishments at a dinner held in his honor on Monday, March 10.

See the registration form on page 22.

Hot and Cold Rolling Technology

...advanced hot- and cold-rolled products

- Texture development
- Process modeling
- Surface quality

Hume-Rothery Symposium: Nanoscale Phases

...fundamentals of structure and stability of nanoscale phase materials

- Microstructural evolution and stability
- Nano/tera scale integration
- Microscopy
- Nanowires, nanovolumes and nanocrystallization

IONMMS Global Materials Forum 2008: Creating the Future MS&E Professionals

...global forum with speakers representing TMS, Association for Iron & Steel Technology, Chinese Society for Metals, Indian Institute of Metals, Japan Institute of Metals, and Mining and Materials Processing Institute of Japan

- Pre-college/K-12
- Innovative university education programs
- Lifelong learning
- International cooperation
- Innovative use of technology

Magnesium Technology 2008

...all aspects of magnesium production, properties and application

- Primary production
- Alloy development
- Performance
- Global market

Materials for Infrastructure: Building Bridges in the Global Community

(sponsored by TMS, Chinese Society for Metals, and Indian Institute of Metals)

...forum devoted to infrastructure needs for the global community

- Buildings
- Public utilities
- Bridges

Materials in Clean Power Systems III: Fuel Cells, Hydrogen, and Clean Coal-Based Technologies

...in-depth coverage of advances in clean power

- Fuel cells
- Hydrogen
- Clean coal

Materials Informatics: Enabling Integration of Modeling and Experiments in Materials Science

...TMS-American Physical Society symposium advancing techniques and application of materials informatics

- Titanium alloys
- Superalloys
- Neural networks
- CyberDesign

Materials Processing Fundamentals

...design, synthesis and control of materials processes and processing

- Solidification processing
- Optimization of thermomechanical processing
- Numerical simulations
- Microstructural evolution

Mechanical Behavior, Microstructure and Modeling of Ti and Its Alloys

...progress towards predictive constitutive and damage models for titanium

- Refinement and processing
- Microstructural evolution
- Microstructure-property relationships
- Modeling and property prediction

Mechanics and Kinetics of Interfaces in Multicomponent Materials Systems

...performance-enabling interfaces across materials systems and applications

- Metal-ceramics, metal-semiconductors and metal-polymer interfaces
- Creep
- Electromigration
- Dynamic and static performance

Micro-Engineered Particulate-Based Materials

...production, characterization and utilization

- In situ nanocomposites
- Corrosion and passivation
- Aluminum
- Stainless steel

Minerals, Metals and Materials under Pressure

...interdisciplinary forum connecting theory and experiment

- Pressure-induced phase transformations
- Simulations and modeling
- High rate plasticity
- Damage and failure mechanisms

National Materials Advisory Board Town Hall Meeting on Assessing Corrosion Education

...review current status and address future needs

- Effectiveness of existing engineering curricula
- Actions to enhance corrosion-based skill and knowledge base of graduating and practicing engineers

Neutron and X-Ray Studies for Probing Materials Behavior

...progress in advanced materials characterization

- Mechanical response
- Thermal treatment
- Texture development
- Microstructural evolution

Neutron Symposium Organizer Rozaliya Barabash:

"The idea to put together two diffraction methods will demonstrate the uniqueness of both of them and mutual complementary possibilities."

Particle Beam-Induced Radiation Effects in Materials

...experimental and theoretical radiation materials science

- Damage evolution
- In situ analysis
- Radiation-induced diffusion
- Nanoscale testing

Phase Stability, Phase Transformations and Reactive Phase Formation in Electronic Materials VII

...thermodynamics and kinetics for phase stability electronic materials

- Phase evolution and stability
- Electro- and thermo-migration
- Solder interfacial reactions

Pyrometallurgy

...advanced pyrometallurgical methods

- Nonferrous pyrometallurgy
- Lead refining
- Titanium production
- Smelter improvements

Recent Industrial Applications of Solid-State Phase Transformations

...utilizing phase transformations for new products

- TRIP steels
- Friction stir welding
- Nickel-based alloys
- Magnesium

Recycling

...recycling of engineered materials today

- Light metals
- Electronic materials
- Precious metals
- Reducing environmental impact

Refractory Metals 2008

...processing and performance

- Oxidation and thin films
- Processing and mechanical deformation

Role of Engineers in Meeting 21st Century Societal Challenges

...AIME keynote session on energy, transportation, housing, health and recycling

Sloan Industry Centers Forum: Techno-Management Issues Related to Materials-Centric Industries

...in-depth coverage of business issues facing aluminum, steel, automotive, wood, paper and metal processing industries

Structural Aluminides for Elevated Temperature Applications

...fundamentals and application

- Alloy design
- Processing and fabrication
- Microstructure-property relationships
- Applications

Ultrafine-Grained Materials: Fifth International Symposium

...technological advancements in design, manufacture and application

- Severe plastic deformation
- Nanocrystalline materials
- Thermal stability
- Deformation and fracture

Women in Science Breakfast Lecture*

“Design for the Other 90%”

Monday, March 10 • 7 to 8 a.m.

Speaker: Cynthia E. Smith, Curator, “Design for the Other 90%” Exhibit, Smithsonian’s Cooper-Hewitt, *National Design Museum*

“Design for the Other 90%” explores a growing movement among designers to develop solutions for the 5.8 billion people across the globe (90 percent of the world’s total population) not traditionally served by the professional design community. Through local and global partnerships, individual designers and organizations are finding unique ways to address the lack of basic necessities faced by the poor and marginalized around the world.

**Advance registration required*

Young Leaders Tutorial Luncheon Lecture

“Computational Materials Science & Engineering: What is it and how do we Take Advantage?”

Monday, March 10 • noon to 1:30 p.m.

Speaker: Katsuyo Thornton, Assistant Professor, Materials Science and Engineering, *University of Michigan*
Recipient of the TMS Early Career Faculty Fellow Award

This lecture will address why experimentalists and theorists should become familiar with and utilize many of the standard materials science and engineering computational tools. An overview of the available methodologies, their applications and case studies will be presented.

Note: An optional box lunch may be purchased on the registration form.

Institute of Metals/Robert Franklin Mehl Lecture

“High Performance Structural Metals: an Undervalued but Critical Enabling Technology”

Monday, March 10 • 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Speaker: James C. Williams, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, *The Ohio State University*

This talk will describe some of the past advances in structural materials and outline some important opportunities going forward. The reality (or lack thereof) of some of the trendy topics also will be assessed and some relative value comparisons will be offered.

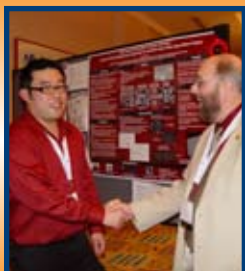
William Hume-Rothery Award Lecture

Nanoscale Metal Silicides

Monday, March 10 • 2 p.m.

Speaker: L.J. Chen, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, *National Tsing Hua University*

In this talk, an historical account of evolving roles of metal silicides in the context of integrated circuits device applications will be presented. Epitaxial growth of metal silicides on silicon and formation of amorphous interlayers in the metal/Si systems will be reviewed. In addition, synthesis and applications of metal silicide nanowires will be described, and the future outlook will be addressed.



Show your support for the upcoming leaders of our profession!

Attend the TMS Technical Division Student Poster Contest.
Monday, March 10
5 to 6:30 p.m.

Leave a Lasting Impression on New Orleans

Turn to page 27 to learn how you can help the city that has welcomed the TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition many times.



Extraction & Processing Division Luncheon Lecture*

“Computational Modeling of Metals Processing: Past, Present and Future”

Tuesday, March 11 • 12:30 to 2 p.m.

Speaker: Brian G. Thomas, Wilkins Professor, Mechanical Engineering, *University of Illinois*; Director, *Continuous Casting Consortium*

This talk will recall the early days of process modeling as well as cover recent examples, including fluid flow, heat transfer and stress analysis of processes such as continuous casting of steel. The future of computational modeling will also be contemplated.

**Advance registration required*

Extraction & Processing Division Distinguished Lecture

“Smelting and Refining—Faster, Smoother, Cheaper, Safer”

Tuesday, March 11 • 2 to 2:45 p.m.

Speaker: David G.C. Robertson, Professor, Metallurgical Engineering, *University of Missouri-Rolla*

The purpose of research and development in pyrometallurgy is to achieve at least one of the goals mentioned above (faster, smoother, cheaper, safer). This lecture will review how basic research at the university can contribute to meeting these important goals, using examples mainly from work carried out by the author and his colleagues.

Light Metals Division Luncheon Lecture*

“Innovations in Steel Production—Animations for Aluminium Technologies?”

Wednesday, March 12 • 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Speaker: Reiner Kopp, Professor Emeritus, *Institute of Metal Forming, RWTH Aachen University*

This lecture outlines some highlights of manufacturing new steel products and asks the question as to whether or not these innovations in steel could be animations for the development of aluminium products.

**Advance registration required*

For greater detail on any of the annual
meeting lectures and speakers, visit
www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html.



Grain Refinement of Aluminium Alloys: Theory and Practice

Short Course • Sunday, March 9 • 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Instructors

Paul Cooper, *London and Scandinavian Metallurgical Co.*
Douglas Granger, *GRAS*
Wolfgang Schneider, *Hydro Aluminium GmbH*
Peter Schumacher, *University of Leoben*
David StJohn, *Cast Metals Manufacturing*

Who Should Attend

- Professional or technical representatives in the aluminium casting industry
- University researchers

Learn About

- Fundamentals of nucleation and grain growth
- Fundamentals of grain refinement with TiB₂ and TiC
- Grain refiner alloys, grain refiner tests and grain size measurement
- Influence of grain refinement on product quality
- Practice of grain refinement in DC casting and shape casting
- Influence of casting conditions on grain refinement

Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Short Course • Sunday, March 9 • 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Instructors

Halvor Kvande, *Hydro Aluminum*
Jerry Marks, *J. Marks & Associates*
Alton Tabereaux, *Consultant*

Who Should Attend

- HSE professionals
- Aluminum industry operational employees
- Others wanting to learn more about greenhouse gas emissions and their reduction

Learn About

- Environmental challenges facing the global aluminum business
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions from aluminum smelters
- Anode effects in industrial electrolysis cells
- Action plans and activities to minimize future negative environmental impact and achieve a greener future

Nanomechanical Characterization Tutorial • Sunday, March 9 • 1 to 5 p.m.

Instructors

Erica T. Lilleodden, *GKSS Research Center*
Brad L. Boyce, *Sandia National Laboratories*

Who Should Attend

- Scientists and engineers interested in mechanical behavior of materials at small scales, particularly nanoscale and nanostructured materials and micro and nanoscale devices
- Students, post-doctoral researchers, early career as well as senior scientists and engineers involved in academic research and industrial applications of thin films and nanomaterials subject to mechanical loads

Learn About

- Current state-of-the-art test methods
- Emerging methods
- Nanoindentation-based techniques
- MEMS-based techniques

Furnace Systems and Technology

3rd Annual Workshop • Monday Afternoon,
March 10-Wednesday, March 12

Presentations from 15 companies covering:

- Basic combustion, energy savings and furnace productivity improvement
- Melting furnaces
- Burners designs
- Emissions and abatement
- Recirculating process furnaces
- Metal circulation, cleaning and dross processing
- Casting
- Refractory issues and practices
- Contract engineering
- Rotary delac/decorating systems

Get additional details about these courses and
register online at www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html
or see page 22.

President's Welcoming Reception

Sunday, March 9 • 6 to 8 p.m.

Seven Networking Receptions for Select Symposia

Visit www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html for details.

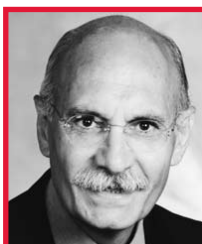
137th TMS and AIME Honors and Awards Presentation

With Installation of 2008 TMS President

Tuesday, March 11 • 6 p.m. Reception (Cash Bar) • 7 p.m. Dinner



Robert D. Shull
2007 TMS President



Diran Apelian
2008 TMS President



Dan Thoma
2007 AIME President

Join us as we honor those outstanding individuals who have contributed greatly to materials science and engineering through TMS and AIME. Following the awards presentation, the TMS 2007 and 2008 presidents will address the society. Order your tickets on the registration form.

About the 2008 TMS President

Diran Apelian is Howmet professor of engineering and director of the Metal Processing Institute at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, where he has worked for more than 15 years. Professor Apelian's research interests and expertise are in materials processing, and specifically, solidification and net-shape manufacturing. He is credited for pioneering work in various areas of solidification processing: molten metal processing and filtration of metals; aluminum foundry engineering; plasma deposition; and spray casting/forming. Professor Apelian has more than 400 publications to his credit and four books, which he has co-edited. He has served on, and chaired, several national materials advisory boards for the National Research Council. Professor Apelian has been an active member of TMS for more than 30 years and is the chair of the steering committee for this year's materials and society symposia.

Society Awards

TMS Fellow Class of 2008

- Tsu-Wei Chou, *University of Delaware*
- Campbell Laird, *University of Pennsylvania*
- David E. Laughlin, *Carnegie Mellon University*
- S. Lee Semiatin, *U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory*

Alexander R. Scott Distinguished Service Award

J. Wayne Jones, *University of Michigan*

Application to Practice Award

Gregory Yurek, *American Superconductor*

Bruce Chalmers Award

Alain Karma, *Northeastern University*

Champion H. Mathewson Award

Adam Badri, *Royal Dutch Shell*

Early Career Faculty Fellow

Katsuyo Thornton, *University of Michigan*

Educator Award

Robert L. Snyder, *Georgia Institute of Technology*

Institute of Metals/Robert Franklin Mehl Award

James C. Williams, *The Ohio State University*

John Bardeen Award

Pallab Bhattacharya, *University of Michigan*

Leadership Award

Bruce A. MacDonald, *National Science Foundation*

Robert Lansing Hardy Award

Ken Gall, *Georgia Institute of Technology*

TMS Foundation Shri Ram Arora Award

Sasanka Deka, *National Chemical Laboratory*

William Hume-Rothery Award

L.J. Chen, *National Tsing Hua University*

Division Awards

Electronic, Magnetic & Photonic Materials Division

Distinguished Scientist/Engineer Award

Iver Anderson, *Iowa State University*

Distinguished Service Award

Sung Kang, *IBM*

Extraction & Processing Division

Distinguished Lecturer

David G.C. Robertson, *University of Missouri-Rolla*

Distinguished Service Award

V. Ramachandran, *RAM Consultants*

Science Award

- Ortavio Fortini, *Carnegie Mellon University*
- Richard Fruehan, *Carnegie Mellon University*

Technology Award

- Alex Moyano, *Codelco-Chile*
- Carlos Caballero, *Codelco-Chile*
- Roberto Mackay, *Codelco-Chile*
- Pedro Morales, *Codelco-Chile*
- Domingo Cordero, *Codelco-IM2*
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Light Metals Division

Distinguished Service Award

Barry Welch, *Welbank Consulting*

Light Metals Award

- Sebastien Leboeuf, *Alcan Inc.*
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- Bruno Maltais, *STAS*
- Marc-Andre Thibault, *STAS*
- Einar Smarason, *Alcan Iceland Ltd.*

Technology Award

Alton Tabereaux, *Technical Consultant*

Materials Processing & Manufacturing Division

Distinguished Scientist/Engineer Award

Brian Thomas, *University of Illinois*

Structural Materials Division

Distinguished Scientist/Engineer Award

S. Lee Semiatin, *U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory*

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Marc Meyers, *University of California, San Diego*

Other Awards

2008 Acta Materialia Inc. Gold Medal Award

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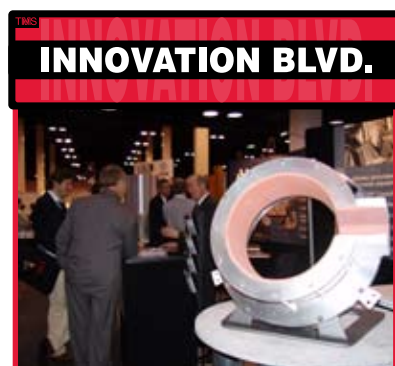
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TMS 2008 is a perfect opportunity for materials science and engineering students to learn how to prepare for a career in the materials field, make important professional contacts, and share enjoyable times outside the classroom with fellow students and professionals.

Students who are Material Advantage members may attend the technical sessions, lectures, exhibition and all student activities listed on this page for an advance registration fee of only \$25. The advance registration fee for students who are not members is \$50, which includes a free year of membership in the Material Advantage Student Program.

Sunday, March 9

2nd Annual Materials Bowl

Preliminary Elimination Rounds • noon

Championship Match • 8:30 to 9 p.m.

Team Registration Deadline: December 15, 2007

A total of \$3,500 in prize money is awarded in this “Jeopardy”-style knowledge and trivia competition as well as the Materials Bowl Trophy! Currently, the trophy resides with the 2007 champions, Florida International University. Student chapters are invited to select a team of four chapter members to represent its school for the 2008 Materials Bowl. Eighteen teams will compete in preliminary elimination rounds, with the winners moving on to semifinal matches. The championship match will culminate at the Student Networking Mixer. View the official rules online and register your team early to be part of this exciting competition!

Orientation • 2 to 3 pm.

Find out all you need to know about student activities at TMS 2008 and meet other students with similar interests.

Career Forum • 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Representatives from key materials industries will provide personal insights on career preparation strategies, offer tips on how to develop and foster rewarding careers, and answer your questions.

Career Tips Session • 5 to 6 p.m.

Discover what human resource representatives are looking for when reviewing resumes and interviewing candidates.

Student Networking Mixer • 9 to 11 p.m.

This networking mixer provides a relaxed, casual and fun atmosphere for students, faculty members, and government and industry representatives to make connections and share experiences of professional growth.

Monday, March 10

TMS Technical Division Student Poster Contest • 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Deadline to Apply: January 10, 2008

Both undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to participate in this dynamic and interactive event. Each of the TMS technical divisions is awarding \$500 to the best undergraduate poster and \$500 to the best graduate poster. A top prize of \$2,500 is awarded by TMS for the “Best of Show” poster.

Ambassador Awards

Judges will select two student authors from among the poster award winners to receive the TMS Student Ambassador awards. The “ambassadors” will receive sponsorship from TMS to represent the society at a 2008 international conference. Two alternate ambassadors will also be chosen in the event the initial award winners are unable to attend the conference.

Visit www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html and click on the student page from the menu for full details about any of these student events.

Subsidize the Cost of Attending TMS 2008

Become a Student Monitor!

Deadline to Apply: December 29, 2007

Student monitors are assigned to attend technical sessions to assist as follows:

- Record the number of attendees for each paper presented in a given session.
- Report any malfunctions of audio/visual equipment to appropriate staff.
- Aid presenters with operation of room lights.

Monitors receive \$40 for each one-half day session monitored. Monitor positions are filled as applications are received.

For more information about submitting an application:

- Visit www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html and click on the student page from the menu.
- Contact Cheryl Moore, technical programming assistant, at (724) 776-9000, ext. 252; (800) 759-4TMS; or cmoore@tms.org.

Apply for Travel Reimbursement!

Each Material Advantage chapter is eligible to receive \$500 per calendar year in travel reimbursement for members to attend the TMS annual meeting. The travel reimbursement form must be submitted with original receipts by March 28, 2008.

Visit www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html and click on the student page from the menu for the form.

Donate a Door Prize

Student chapter members are asked to donate school logo items to the cache of items TMS will be donating for door prizes at the Student Networking Mixer. The more prizes donated, the better your chances to win! Let TMS know what you plan to bring to donate by e-mailing Bryn Stone at bstone@tms.org.



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To provide added value for attendees, those registering in the following categories receive a free CD-ROM containing select proceedings:

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- Nonmember Authors
- Nonmembers
- TMS Senior Members
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- Multiple symposia proceedings
- Keynote presentations
- Links to additional resource information
- Table of contents

Each symposium will be presented as an individual publication on the CD-ROM, with its own table of contents, standard publication reference numbers, and copyright information. Please visit www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html for a complete listing of the symposia to be included on the CD-ROM.

The CD-ROM is also available for purchase in advance on the registration form or on-site during the annual meeting. The cost per CD-ROM is \$150; student price is \$75.

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| 3. Lead-Free Solders Technology Workshop* (Sunday) | 12. Exhibition (Monday through Wednesday) |
| 4. Women in Science Breakfast Lecture* (Monday) | 13. Hosted Grand Opening Reception in Exhibit Hall (Monday) |
| 5. Young Leaders Tutorial Lecture+ (Monday) | 14. Snack Break in Exhibit Hall (Wednesday) |
| 6. Institute of Metals/Robert Franklin Mehl Lecture (Monday) | 15. Collected Proceedings CD-ROM |
| 7. William Hume-Rothery Award Lecture (Monday) | |
| 8. Student Poster Contest (Monday) | |
| 9. Extraction & Processing Division Distinguished Lecture (Tuesday) | |

*Please sign up to attend on the meeting registration form as space is limited.

+Young Leaders lecture is free. You may order lunch on the meeting registration form.

Location

All conference events, including registration, technical sessions and the exhibition, will take place at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center; all committee meetings will be held at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel.

Advance Registrant Check-In and On-Site Registration, Hall J:

Sunday, March 9	11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Monday, March 10	7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Tuesday, March 11	7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 12	7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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Policies

Registration Policy

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<input type="checkbox"/> Nonmember Author *	\$645	NMA.....	\$745	NMAL
<input type="checkbox"/> Nonmember *	\$705	NM.....	\$805	NML
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6. Social Function Tickets:**Fee****Quantity****Total**

Mon. 3/10/08	Hael Mughrabi Honorary Dinner	\$70	_____	\$_____ MD
	"Women in Science" Breakfast	\$0	_____	\$_____ SB
	TMS-AIME Banquet	\$70	_____	\$_____ AD
	Tables of 8	\$560	_____	\$_____ AD8
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	Extraction & Processing Division Luncheon.....	\$45	_____	\$_____ EP
	Tables of 8	\$360	_____	\$_____ EP8
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Wed. 3/12/08	Light Metals Division Luncheon	\$45	_____	\$_____ LM
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<input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM	\$150	\$75	_____
Publications TOTAL \$ _____			

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	Member	Nonmember
<input type="checkbox"/> Grain Refinement Short Course* (Sunday)	\$475	\$560
<input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Emissions Short Course* (Sunday)	\$475	\$560
<input type="checkbox"/> Nanomechanical Characterization Tutorial (Sunday)	\$100	\$125

	Conference Registrants	Nonregistrants
<input type="checkbox"/> ICME Technology Forum (Sunday)	\$0	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/> Lead-Free Solders Technology Workshop (Sunday)	\$0	\$50

Continuing Education TOTAL \$ _____

* Includes meal

5. Furnace Systems and Technology Workshop:

	Member	Nonmember	Total
Monday 3/10/08-Wednesday 3/12/08	\$200	\$250	\$_____

7. Tutorial Luncheon Tickets:

Monday 3/10/08

Fee**Quantity****Total****The Young Leaders Tutorial Lecture is free.**

You may purchase the optional box lunch for\$35 _____ \$_____ EM

8. 2008 Membership Renewal: For current TMS members only

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Two ways to reserve your hotel:

1. Visit www.tms.org/annualmeeting.html and click on "Housing" from the menu.
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About the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel

The Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel is the headquarters hotel for this year's conference. It has a prime location with restaurants, shopping and entertainment close by. Located on the banks of the Mississippi River, the Hilton gives you the best New Orleans has to offer – all within easy walking distance.

Connected to the Hilton is the Riverwalk Marketplace, with more than 140 stores and a great food court. The historic French Quarter is a mere three blocks away, and the famous Aquarium of the Americas and the IMAX Theater is only one block away.

For Your Convenience

TMS has contracted a block of rooms at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel, and at an additional 15 hotels available through Travel Planners, to ensure attendees are able to obtain housing at reduced rates. Therefore, TMS has assumed a financial liability for any and all rooms in the block that are not reserved. TMS asks that you reserve your room at these hotels in order to limit financial liability for the overall success of the meeting. Thank you.

Guest Hospitality

A special guest hospitality area will be hosted each day from 7 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel. TMS will sponsor a continental breakfast for the convenience of guests of meeting attendees.

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\$139 single/double

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\$139 single/double

Courtyard by Marriott Convention Center

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\$169 single/double

Hilton Garden Inn New Orleans

\$175 single/double

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Account Number _____ Expiration Date _____

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City and Katrina

Sunday, March 9 or Monday, March 10 • 1 to 4 p.m. • \$35 per person

Explore all that makes New Orleans America's most European city. As you ride by beautiful Jackson Square, your tour guide will reconstruct the first days of the old French City. The sights and sounds of the mighty Mississippi River, St. Louis Cathedral, Cabildo and Pontalba buildings are some of the highlights of this area. You will continue past the French Market and the U.S. Mint.

Then, to New Orleans greatest challenge, the tour will proceed by the three levees that "breached" as the tour guide provides a chronology of events leading up to Hurricane Katrina and the days immediately following the disaster. You will travel through parts of the Ninth Ward and Lakeview, some of the hardest hit areas of New Orleans as well as witness the revival of the city by citizens who refuse to give up.

Next is Esplanade Avenue, the outermost boundary of the French Quarter, where you will see a stunning display of the many fine Creole homes with delicate wrought iron fences and balconies. Passing by one of the city's oldest cemeteries, you will learn about the unique above ground burial system. Across Bayou St. John is the spacious city park with its lush greenery and scenic lagoons. Located on the park's grounds is the New Orleans Museum of Art set among the overhanging oak trees and Spanish moss.

Continuing toward the lakefront, which was also affected by the hurricane, you will see Lake Pontchartrain with its lovely setting for exclusive residences, water sports, outdoor activities and many fine seafood restaurants. Following the crescent of the river to the old town of Carrollton and the route of the St. Charles streetcar, you will pass Tulane and Loyola Universities as the ancient oaks of Audubon Park come into view. The heart of uptown showcases some of the city's loveliest neighborhoods, while the Garden District is distinguished by its Greek revival architecture and splendid gardens.



Houmas House

Tuesday, March 11 • 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. • \$40 per person

One of the most visited antebellum plantation homes near New Orleans is the Houmas House Plantation. With spectacular gardens, Houmas was used as the filming location for "Hush, Hush, Sweet Charlotte," starring Bette Davis.

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Aluminum Alloy Based Nanocomposites Reinforced with Carbon Nanotubes: *Hyun-joo Choi*¹; Donghyun Bae¹; ¹Yonsei University

Aluminum alloy based nanocomposites reinforced with carbon nanotubes exhibiting high specific strength and toughness are produced by hot rolling of the ball-milled mixture of aluminum alloy powders and MWNTs (Multi-walled carbon nanotubes). Each of MWNTs is well dispersed during the milling and uniaxially aligned along the rolling direction. Especially, the tubes are found to be gradually filled with aluminum atoms as the milling time increases, providing the perfectly sticking interface between the MWNTs and the matrix. The strength of the composites increase with an increase of volume fraction of MWNTs up to 0.03, and the tendency is well matched with the conventional rule of mixture. Finally, the composite sheets containing 3 vol.% MWNTs with an area above 10 inch² exhibit remarkably enhanced strength around 750MPa in tension tests. The details of reinforcing effects of nano-scale tubes including strengthening and toughening mechanism of the MWNTs will be presented.

Cladding of Different Metals and Composites by Laser Process and Their Effects on Mechanical Properties: *Ali Emamian*¹; ¹University of Waterloo-Canada

Cladding is deposition of different material on base metal for different aims like corrosion and erosion resistance or wear resistance or all of them. Depending on type of service, clad material can be made from metal or composites. In this process, we are able to have different aspects of properties related to base metal and cladding material simultaneously. Cladding material will be selected according their abilities and compatibility with base metals and properties. The most important item which must be considered is that clad material has to be able to wet completely by metal surface and be compatible according their surface energies. Otherwise, we cannot have a strong bond between clad and base metal because clad material will be in global shape. In this case oxidation risk also will be increased because of increasing of particles' surface in global state.

Composition Evolution during FePt Nanoparticle Synthesis: *Chandan Srivastava*¹; Jayendra Balasubramanian¹; Gregory Thompson¹; Christoffer Turner¹; John Wiest¹; ¹University of Alabama

FePt nanoparticles are candidate materials for future magnetic storage devices. Variation in composition and size from particle-to-particle is one of the factors limiting their application. In the present study, FePt nanoparticles were synthesized by two different synthetic routes: the iron pentacarbonyl route (involving the co-reduction of Fe and Pt precursors) and the superhydride route (involving a two step reduction of precursors). The mechanism of formation of particles was investigated by structural and compositional characterization of the reaction mixture, extracted at different stages of the synthesis. It was observed that the superhydride route produced particles with a narrower composition and size distribution than iron pentacarbonyl route. These differences will be discussed as a function of the evolution of composition during the synthesis. A Monte Carlo simulation has been performed supporting the mechanism theory and suggesting a thermodynamic limit for the incorporation of Fe into the core of FePt nanoparticles.

Dislocation Interactions with $\Sigma 11$ Tilt Boundaries: *Joshua Askin*¹; Richard Hoagland²; Peter Anderson¹; ¹Ohio State University; ²Los Alamos National Laboratory

Grain boundaries play a critical role in plasticity in nanocrystalline metals, where they act as both sources and sinks of dislocation content. A single set of grain misorientations can create a multitude of grain boundary structures,

depending on the orientation of the grain boundary and rigid body translation of the two grains parallel to the grain boundary. Here we compare the interaction of several grain boundaries in the $\Sigma 11$ tilt orientation with dislocations of differing Burgers vectors. Absorption is a common result, with the perfect dislocation dissociating into grain boundary dislocations or otherwise spreading its core on the grain boundary, lowering total system energy. The details of absorption vary both between boundaries and within a single boundary, as the local atomic configuration changes. Results from atomistic studies are viewed in the context of the gamma surface for the boundary and compared with Peierls-type continuum models of core spreading.

Effect of Nb and Sn on the Transformation of Alpha to Beta Titanium in Ti-35 Nb-2.5 Sn Alloy Using Mechanical Alloying: *Abdel-Nasser Omran*¹; K. Woo¹; D. Kim¹; Sug Won Kim¹; ¹Chonbuk National University, Divisions of Advanced Materials Engineering, Research Center of Industrial Technology

Titanium and its alloys have many uses in different medical fields. In titanium alloys, the principal effect of an alloying element is its effect on the alpha-to-beta transformation temperature. In this work, the niobium has been chosen as β stabilizer, and tin as reducer of elastic modulus. The starting materials were blended and milled using mixing machine (24hr) and high energy ball mill machine (1, 4, and 12 hr respectively). The particles size and phases of the produced powders were analyzed using XRD, SEM, TEM, and PSA. It was found that, the titanium was completely transformed from α to β Ti at milling time 12hr.

Electrical and Optical Properties of ZnO and Gallium Doped ZnO Thin Films Prepared by rf Magnetron Sputtering: Effect of Annealing and UV Radiation: *Ved Verma*¹; Hoonha Jeon²; Minhyon Jeon²; Wonbong Choi¹; ¹Florida International University; ²Inje University

Zinc oxide (ZnO) and Ga doped (1wt%) zinc oxide (GZO) thin films are grown on SiO₂/Si and glass substrates at room temperature by rf magnetron sputtering. The structural properties of both ZnO and GZO thin films are investigated by high resolution x-ray diffraction and atomic force microscopy. Both the ZnO and GZO films grow in preferred orientation of $\langle 001 \rangle$ direction. However, GZO thin film shows higher surface roughness (rms~1.65 nm) than ZnO thin film (rms~1.0 nm). Electrical and optical properties of thin films are investigated by Hall Effect and UV-VIS-NIR spectrometer. Both the thin films show a transmittance, above 80%. The GZO thin films exhibit higher conductivity compared to that of ZnO thin films. With time, ZnO thin films show decrease in conductivity where as GZO thin films demonstrate a stable value, which can be attributed to the passivation of oxygen dangling bond by Ga atoms in GZO thin film.

Forming Surface Nanofilms on Particles of Dispersion Aluminium: *Sergey Lipko*¹; Vladimir Tauson²; Boris Zelberg¹; ¹Siberian Research and Design Institute for Aluminium and Electrode Industry JSC; ²Institute of Geochemistry, SD, RAS

It is considered the influence of various chemical components on powder aluminium composition, produced using the method of gas dispersion of aluminium melt in nitrogen atmosphere and then annealed in different conditions. Powders with particles of different size 5-7 and about 20 mkm were examined. The presence of W makes better the structure of a film and promotes the formation of less strained nitride coating that was seen during comparative analysis of RFES width, pick no. 1s at half of maximum height after aluminium powder annealing in the presence of W in a sealed test-tube with air. It is anticipated that W has catalytic effect promoting the formation of nitric radicals that interact with particles' surface. W belongs to the group of elements with effect of integral accumulation in fine fractions of spray like Zn, Zr and some others (V.V. Skitina and others – DAN, 2003, v.390, no. 4, p.495-498).

Microstructures and Mechanical Properties of Carbon Nanotube/Metal Nanocomposites Processed by Molecular Level Mixing: *Kyung Tae Kim*¹; Thomas Gemming¹; Seung Il Cha²; Soon Hyung Hong³; Juergen Eckert¹; ¹IFW Dresden; ²NIMS; ³KAIST

The carbon nanotube/Cu matrix (CNT/Cu) nanocomposite is fabricated by a novel fabrication process named molecular level process. The novel process for fabricating CNT/Cu composite powders involves suspending CNTs in a solvent by surface functionalization, mixing Cu ions with CNT suspension, drying, calcinating and reducing. The molecular level process produces CNT/Cu composite powders whereby the CNTs are implanted within Cu powders.

The CNT/Cu nanocomposites, consolidated by spark plasma sintering of CNT/Cu composite powders, show the characteristic microstructures which are homogeneous dispersion of CNTs in Cu matrix and interfacial bonding between CNT and Cu. Due to these microstructures, the mechanical properties of CNT/Cu nanocomposite shows about 3 times higher strength and 2 times higher Young's modulus than those of Cu matrix. This strengthening effect of carbon nanotubes is found to be the highest compared to other types of reinforcements for metal matrix composites.

Nanowires of AlN and Si₃N₄ Prepared from Amorphous Powders: Zhao Han¹; Mei Yang¹; Mingli Lv¹; Hongmin Zhu¹; ¹Beijing University of Science and Technology

Aluminum nitride and silicon nitride nano-powders were synthesized through a chemical reduction, of AlCl₃ and SiCl₄ by sodium in liquid ammonia. The product powders were amorphous and spherical agglutinating particles ranging from 1 to 10 nanometers in diameter. Single-crystalline aluminum nitride (AlN) and silicon nitride (Si₃N₄) nanowires with hexagonal structure were prepared by heating the amorphous nano-powders at 1300°C through 1450°C. The products obtained were characterized by X-ray diffraction (XRD), scanning electron microscopy (SEM), transmission electron microscopy (TEM), and selected area electron diffraction (SAED). The results revealed that the products were single-crystalline AlN and Si₃N₄ nanowires. The diameters of the nanowires ranged from 30 to 200 nm, and the lengths were from several micrometers to several decades of micrometers.

Novel Preparation and Characterization of Rare-Earth Nanoparticles and Nanocrystalline Bulks: Xiaoyan Song¹; Jiuxing Zhang¹; Nianduan Lu¹; Markus Rettenmayr²; ¹Beijing University of Technology; ²Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena

With a home-developed "oxygen-free" in-situ synthesis system, we produced a series of rare-earth nanoparticles with controllable size. In particular, we proposed an innovative route of preparing ultrafine nanocrystalline bulks with the sequentially performed processes: the amorphization of nanoparticles, nucleation and growth of the short-range ordered "clusters", and the complete nanocrystallization. By these procedures, the grain sizes in the resultant nanocrystalline bulks are much smaller than the initial nanoparticle sizes, representing the advantage of the present technique over the conventional power metallurgy methods. The microstructures and properties of the prepared nano rare-earths have been characterized systematically. The physical, thermal and mechanical properties of the prepared nanostructured bulks are found to be improved remarkably as compared with the conventional polycrystalline bulks. The present preparation technique has potentially wide applications to a big variety of metal nanomaterials that are active in the air.

Photoactive C60 Bridged Tetrameric Osmium and Ruthenium γ -Cyclodextrin Assemblies: Assembly and Spectroscopy: Muath Atmeh¹; ¹Dublin Institute of Technology

Cyclodextrins display a rich host-guest chemistry. A particularly attractive proposition is to combine the properties of CD with luminophores, which may act as reporters of binding or other interactions at the cyclodextrin cavity. Ruthenium and osmium polypyridyl complexes are particularly attractive reporters in this regard because of their visible emission, their useful redox properties. In this contribution, we exploit this ability to design a tetrameric metallocyclodextrins containing photoactive Ru(II) polypyridyl units covalently bonded to γ -CD. The supramolecular assembly consists of cyclodextrin to which two ruthenium (II) or osmium (II) polypyridyl have been covalently linked these CDs then self-assemble with a fullerene moiety in 2:1 ratio to produce the tetramer, Figure 1. Here we describe the synthesis and characterization of the complexes and in particular their spectroscopic electrochemical and photophysical properties. We describe evidence for photoinduced processes and discuss the possibility of electron and energy transfers in these novel supramolecular assemblies.

Physical and Microstructural Properties of Ultra Dispersed Nano-Diamond Reinforced Copper Matrix Composites: Hülya Kaftelen¹; Mustafa Öveçoglu¹; ¹Istanbul Technical University

Ultra dispersed nanodiamond powders were used as a reinforcement material in copper matrix to improve thermal and physical properties of composites. High energy ball milling were performed under Ar atmosphere for four different milling times. The mechanical alloyed composite powders later consolidated

and sintering under protective atmosphere at 1100-1200K. The microstructures of both sintered and mechanical alloyed powders were investigated using XRD, scanning electron microscope (SEM) and EDS analysis. Titanium was also incorporated to enhance interfacial bonding between the nano-diamond and the copper matrix phase.

Preparation of ZnO Nanoparticles, Nanorods and Nanoplatelets by Micro-Emulsion Template Method: Teng Honghui¹; ¹Jilin Normal University

Nano-ZnO particles, nanorods and nanoplatelets were prepared by a micro-emulsion template method. The micro-emulsion consists of surfactant A/ butanol/cyclohexane/water systems=5:1.2:1:X, X are certain specific values (1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0 ml). The structures of microemulsions were studied from electric conductivities of the water in oil (W/O) microemulsions at different W/O rate, with the electric conductivities of that increasing, the structures of microemulsions change from spherical to double-continued-linear and layered structure. Then, each of zinc chloride and ammonia aqueous solutions instead of water systems, two micro-emulsion systems were established, as original reaction systems, mixed up, nano-ZnO particles, nanorods and nanoplatelets were prepared by the controlling of W/O rate. The particles were spherical or spherical-like with diameter about was 30 to 80nm. The nanorods were uniform in diameter and in length, their mean diameter was 70nm and mean length was 350nm. The mean thickness of nanoplatelets was 60nm.

Processing and Characterization of Ti₂AlC/Nanocrystalline Mg Matrix Composites: Shahram Amini¹; Michel Barsoum¹; ¹Drexel University

The MAX phases - of which Ti₂AlC is a member - are layered machinable, hexagonal ternary carbides and nitrides. Due to their high c/a ratios, the MAX phases deform primarily by the formation of kink bands and consequently are members - together with Mg - of a much larger class of solids labeled kinking nonlinear elastic, KNE. Herein we report on the fabrication and characterization of Ti₂AlC/nanocrystalline Mg matrix composites fabricated by hot pressing and pressureless melt infiltration. Hot-pressing of 50 vol. % Mg and Ti₂AlC powders at 750°C for 1 h at ~45 MPa resulted in fully dense composites. More importantly, fully dense samples were also made by pressureless infiltration of molten Mg into porous preforms of Ti₂AlC under vacuum. The Mg matrix existed in the form of ~35 and 50 nm diameter nanoparticles in hot pressed and infiltrated composites.

Size Dependent Elasticity of Nanowires: Moneesh Upmanyu¹; ¹Colorado School of Mines

We employ a molecular statics approach based on embedded-atom-method (EAM) inter-atomic potentials to study the elasticity of metallic nanowires. Self-consistent comparison with the bulk response in copper clearly shows that the overall nanowire elasticity is primarily due to non-linear response of the nanowire core. While the surface stress induced surface elasticity modifies the behavior for ultra-thin nanowires, their contribution is always considerably smaller than that due to non-linear elasticity of the nanowire core. More importantly, for all three orientations, the surface is softer than an equivalently strained bulk, and the overall nanowire softening or stiffening is determined by orientation dependent core elasticity. Implications for heterostructured nanowires and nanotube bundles will be also discussed.

Structural Identification of Nanocrystals from High Resolution Transmission Electron Microscopy Images: Peter Moeck¹; ¹Portland State University

A novel method for the structural identification of nanocrystals from high resolution transmission electron microscopy images is described. Components of this method are demonstrated on both experimental and simulated images. There are several levels to this structural fingerprinting method that allow for increasingly discriminatory identifications of crystal structures out of a range of candidate structures from a database. With increasing identification power, these levels are extracting the projected reciprocal lattice geometry, plane symmetry group, structure factor amplitudes, and structure factor phases. If necessary for even higher levels of structural discrimination, the extracted structural information can be extended by direct methods and the errors that have been made by assuming kinematical scattering can be estimated and corrected for. The mainly inorganic subset of the Crystallography Open Database (<http://nanocrystallography.research.pdx.edu/CIF-searchable/cod.php>), with approximately 10,000 structure entries) and the Nano-Crystallography Database (<http://nanocrystallography.research.pdx.edu/CIF-searchable/ncd.php>) can be

employed to facilitate the structural identification by calculating lattice-fringe fingerprint plots.

Study on Nano-Alumina Prepared by Low-Temperature Combustion Synthesis: *Guo Rui¹*; ¹Northeastern University

Al₂O₃ has fine physical and chemical properties. Nanometer α -Al₂O₃ powder was prepared by the method of Low-temperature Combustion Synthesis with aluminum nitrate nonahydrate and urea as raw materials in the muffle furnace and microwave oven. By the means of XRD, TEM, TG-DTA, IR and Malvern Mastersizer measurements, the as-prepared powder was analyzed. The optimum technology process with muffle furnace was: the molar ratio of Al(NO₃)₃·9H₂O/CO(NH₂)₂ was 1 to 2.5, the igniting temperature was 750°C. It was found that the α -Al₂O₃ powders having an average grain size about 40-90nm were sheet structure in a great measure, others were the shape of approximate sphere. The optimum technology process with the microwave oven was: the molar ratio of Al(NO₃)₃·9H₂O/CO(NH₂)₂ was 1 to 2.5; heat power was 900W. The product having an average grain size about 60-90nm was sheet in a great measure.

Surface Modification of PPy Conducting Polymer Nanowires by Sputtered Noble Metals for Gas Sensing: *Jiajun Chen¹*; Lianbin Xu²; Xiaojun Tang¹; Yushan Yan²; Weilie Zhou¹; ¹University of New Orleans; ²University of California at Riverside

Polypyrrole (PPy) conducting polymer can work as the active materials for gas sensor, which has several advantages compared to commercial available metal oxide based sensors: high sensitivity and short response time at room temperature, low cost fabrication and compatible to flexible electronics. PPy nanowires are ideal materials for highly sensitive gas sensors due to their high surface-volume aspect ratio. PPy nanowires were fabricated by electrochemistry methods and multi-nanowire-based field effect transistors (FETs) were prepared by e-beam lithography. Sputtered noble metals were used to modify the PPy nanowire surfaces. The electrical and gas sensing properties of PPy nanowire based FETs were investigated. The role of noble metal modification was discussed.

Synthesis and Characterization of Nano-Spinel Lithium Manganate: *Xinghua Xie¹*; Shilong Yan¹; Hongbo Wu¹; Weiguo Wang¹; Meng Wang¹; Xiaojie Li²; ¹Anhui University of Science and Technology; ²Dalian University of Technology

The formation of metallic nanooxides via detonation reaction was investigated with respect to the presence of an energetic precursor, such as the metallic nitrate and the degree of confinement of the explosive charge. The detonation products were characterized by scanning electron microscopy. The thermal stability of the nanostructures has been examined by heating-treatment at different temperatures. Powder X-ray diffraction, transmission electron microscopy, scanning electron microscopy, thermogravimetric analysis and BET were used to characterize the products. Nano-metallic oxides with diameters from 10 to 50 nm and a variety of morphologies were found. The oxides produced by this cheap method affirmed the validity of detonation synthesis of nano-size powders.

Synthesis and Electrical Properties of Exotic Boron Carbide Nanowires: *Varun Gupta¹*; Steve Miller¹; Giovanni Fanchini¹; Jafar Al-Sharab¹; Manish Chhowalla¹; ¹Rutgers University

Recently, synthesis of one dimensional nano-materials and quasi-one dimensional nanostructures such as nanotubes, nanowires and nanowires (NWs) has gained a large impetus. Boron carbide NWs are particularly significant because of their use in thermoelectric devices and other electronic applications. In this study we explore the role of boron/carbon ratio, temperature, inert gas pressure and dopants (Si and Al) on the morphology, length and diameter of nanowires. Nanowire dimensions show a bimodal distribution with wire length varying from 100nm to 50µm and up to a few millimeters. The elemental composition, morphology and single crystalline nature of the nanowires were analyzed by SEM, EDS, TGA and HRTEM. The effect of Si and Al doping on the conductivity is further evaluated and compared to pure B₄C. This approach can be readily extended to the synthesis of other doped nanostructures, which can offer great opportunities for both fundamental research and technological applications.

Temperature, Thickness and High Energy Si Ions Bombardment Effects on the Thermoelectric Properties of GdFe₄Sb_{6-y}Ge_y Thin Films: *Sadik Guner¹*; Satilmis Budak¹; Claudiu Muntele²; Daryush Ila²; ¹Alabama A&M University, Department of Physics, Center for Irradiation of Materials

We have grown three monolayer GdFe₄Sb_{6-y}Ge_y (y = 2, 4) thin films on silica substrates with varying thickness between 100-1000 nm using electron beam deposition. The high-energy (MeV) Si ion bombardments were performed on samples with varying fluencies (1x10¹⁴-5x10¹⁵). The thermopower, electrical and thermal conductivity measurements were carried out before and after the bombardment on samples to determine the dimensionless figure of merit, ZT. The Si ions bombardment caused changes on the thermoelectric properties of films. The fluence and temperature dependence of cross plane thermoelectric parameters were also reported. Rutherford Backscattering Spectrometry (RBS) was used to analyze the elemental composition of deposited materials and to determine the layer thickness of each film. Research sponsored by the Center for Irradiation of Materials, Alabama A&M University and by the AAMURI Center for Advanced Propulsion Materials under the contract number NNM06AA12A from NASA, and by National Science Foundation under Grant No. EPS-0447675.

The Fabrication Technique for Indium Tin Oxide Nanosized Composite Powder: *Huimin Lu¹*; Xi Zhang¹; ¹Beijing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics

Indium tin oxide (ITO) nanosized composite powder not only can improve sintering properties of target and afford material for big size and super density ITO target, but also can be made into electronic pastes which can be sputtered on cathode ray tube as an effective seclusion screen of electromagnetic interference. In this paper, conductive indium tin oxide (ITO) powder size of nanometer were prepared by the hydrolysis of corresponding metal salts following co-precipitation technique using indium metal ingots and SnCl₄·5H₂O as raw materials. On the purpose of manufacturing functional powders in a large amount and energy-conserving, the factors in whole course were considered, especially the influences of co-precipitation terminal pH value and heat treatment temperature under hydrogen gas on the particle size and power resistance were discussed. The characteristics of powders were investigated by DTA-TG, XRD, TEM.

The Influence of Nano Boehmite on Spinel Formation: *Hamid Zargar¹*; Farhad Golestani Fard¹; Hamidreza Rezaei¹; ¹Iran University of Science and Technology

The effect of nano boehmite as an additive on the formation of spinel at low temperatures (T<1000°C) via solid-state procedure is investigated. In this regard, the homogeneity of prepared mixtures previously studied by performing XRD, FTIR, SEM and MAP. Furthermore, in order to evaluate the morphology of synthesized spinel, SEM has applied. Results are implied that nano boehmite facilitate solid-state spinel formation on magnesia grain at temperatures as low as 700°C. In addition, prepared spinel is in nano scale (<80nm) and homogeneously distributed on, magnesia grains.

Thermoelectric Generator from Sequentially Deposited SiO₂/GdFe₄Sb_{6-y}Ge_y Nanolayers Modified by MeV Si Ions Bombardment: *Sadik Guner¹*; Satilmis Budak²; Claudiu Muntele²; Daryush Ila²; ¹Alabama A&M University, Department of Physics, Center for Irradiation of Materials; Fatih University, Department of Physics; ²Alabama A&M University, Department of Physics, Center for Irradiation of Materials

We have grown 50-100 periodic nano-layers of SiO₂/GdFe₄Sb_{6-y}Ge_y super-lattice electro-cooling system. The deposited multi-layer films have a periodic structure consisting of alternating layers, between 5-20 nm thick each. The super-lattices were then bombarded by 5 MeV Si ions at different fluences ranging from 1x10¹⁴ to 5x10¹⁵ ions/cm² to form nano-cluster structure. Rutherford Backscattering Spectrometry (RBS) specified the total deposit thickness and stoichiometry. We measured the thermoelectric efficiency of the fabricated device before and after MeV bombardments. To accomplish this we measured the cross plane thermal conductivity by 3rd harmonic method, cross plane Seebeck coefficient and cross plane electric conductivity. As predicted the electronic energy deposited due to ionization by MeV Si beam in its track produces nano-scale structures that disrupt and confine phonon transmission therefore reducing thermal conductivity, increasing electron density of state so as to increase Seebeck coefficient and

electric conductivity, thus increasing the figure of merit. Research sponsored by the Center for Irradiation of Materials, Alabama A&M University and by the AAMURI Center for Advanced Propulsion Materials under the contract number NNM06AA12A from NASA, and by National Science Foundation under Grant No. EPS-0447675.

Preparation of Nanosized Zinc Ferrite Particles: *Qing-hua Tian*¹; Xueyi Guo¹; Huang Kai¹; ¹Central South University

Based on the review of technical literatures, the co-precipitation-drying-thermal decomposition was determined for the preparation of nanosized zinc-ferrite. The ammonium bicarbonate was chosen as the co-precipitation agent, and the thermodynamic analyses were done for the solution system of Fe(III)-Zn(II)-NH₃-CO₃—H₂O. The double-jet precipitation process was proposed based on the thermodynamic analyses results. Considering the heavy aggregation among nano-sized particles, the measures were adopted by addition of dispersant in the process of co-precipitation and washing by organic solvent or azeotropic distillation. By TG-DTA analysis, the suitable thermal-decomposition temperature of the zinc ferrite precursor was determined at about 450°C. Kept at this temperature for 2 hours, the pure and well crystallized ZnFe₂O₄ was obtained. SEM Photos of the obtained powder shows that the particles are uniform in size distribution (20nm-50nm) with good dispersivity.

Quantum Size Effect of Electron Density and Its Influence on Interlayer Relaxation of Ultra-Thin Metal Films: *Fei Ma*¹; Shengli Ma²; Kewei Xu²; Paul Chu¹; ¹City University of HongKong; ²Xi'an Jiaotong University

Further minimization of electronic devices and microelectromechanical systems (MEMS) requires the feature sizes of relevant materials to be shrunk significantly. In such a case, boundary effects, such as interfaces and surfaces, become remarkable, especially in nanometer scale, which must affect their microstructures and properties. In this work, we have analyzed the distribution of electron charge density in Cu and Al ultra-thin films using free electron model. The results show that an electrostatic field may come into being due to quantum size effect, and the interlayer separations must relax to decrease the Coulomb energy, the thinner the films, the larger the relaxation. More interestingly, the different electron shell configurations result in two opposite deviating directions of the center of negative charges: inwards for Cu and outwards for Al, and thus two absolutely distinct interlayer relaxations.

Nano-Diamond Coatings for Machining Applications: *Jianwen Hu*¹; *Kevin Chou*¹; Raymond Thompson²; ¹University of Alabama; ²Vista Engineering

Different from microcrystalline diamond (MCD) coatings, nanostructured diamond (nano-diamond) coatings, produced by microwave plasma-assisted chemical vapor deposition with nitrogen gas added, own several unique properties that enhance their machining performance in cutting tool applications. Characterized by nanoindentation, nano-diamond coatings have very high hardness (over 80 GPa vs. ~60 GPa of MCD) and lower elasticity (below 800 GPa vs. ~1100 GPa of MCD) which generates less residual stresses in the coating-substrate system. Moreover, nano-diamond coatings have much smoother topography than MCD coatings. Nano-diamond coatings consist of nanocrystalline diamond grains (average sizes from 5 to 30 nm) imbedded into an amorphous tetrahedral carbon matrix which offers cracking resistance. These distinct attributes jointly result in strong adhesion of nano-diamond coatings. Machining of high-strength Al alloys and composites using diamond tooling shows that nano-diamond coated tools significantly outperform conventional MCD tools, though both of them exhibiting delamination as the major tool failure mode.

The Anodic and Cathodic Processes in Direct Electrochemical Conversion of Solid Metal Chlorides to Metal Nanoparticles in Ionic Liquids: *Linpo Yu*¹; *Huijiao Sun*¹; *Dihua Wang*¹; *Xianbo Jin*¹; *George Chen*²; ¹Wuhan University; ²University of Nottingham and Wuhan University

Solid metal chlorides have been attached to a metallic substrate in the form of either a thin coating or powder and successfully electrochemically reduced to metal nanoparticles in an ionic liquid, 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium hexafluorophosphate. Particularly, the presentation compares the cyclic voltammograms of cuprous copper in aqueous and ionic liquid electrolyte, and the physicochemical characterisations of the potentiostatic electrolysis products on both cathode and anode. Preliminary findings are also presented for a few other metal chlorides. It is proposed that the formation of the metal nanoparticles

is the result of a combined effect of the slow kinetics of the dissolution-deposition process in the ionic liquids, and also likely the ionic liquid being effective in preventing the metal particles to grow larger as compared with water.

Robust and High Current Cold Electron Source Based on Carbon Nanotube Field Emitters and Electron Multiplier Microchannel Plate: *Raghuandan Seelaboyina*¹; Srinivas Rao Bodepalli¹; Wonbong Choi¹; ¹Florida International University

Vacuum microelectronics has been studied for decades to develop unique devices such as rf-generators, high efficiency flat panel displays, x-ray sources and so on. In recent years field emitters based on carbon nanotubes (CNTs) and other nano materials have demonstrated high emission current densities making them prime candidates for next generation vacuum microelectronic applications. However the emission efficiency and stability of these materials is hindered by non uniform emission and emitter destruction in high electric field conditions. To achieve higher and stable current we have designed and fabricated a unique ceramic microchannel plate (MCP) consisting of high secondary emission yield (SEY) materials. The MCP was fabricated utilizing the optimum design parameters, which include channel dimensions and material properties obtained from charged particle optics (CPO) simulation. In this presentation we will discuss the results on our new microchannel plate design (simulation), fabrication, and field emission current amplification from vertically aligned carbon nanotube tower structures and microchannel plate assembly.

Computational Thermodynamics and Kinetics: Poster Session

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Investigation of Atom Size Effects on Binary Alloys Phase Diagrams Using a Relaxed Monte Carlo Approach: *Mathieu Fevre*¹; *Alphonse Finel*¹; *Yann Le Bouar*²; ¹ONERA; ²CNRS-ONERA

The precise determination of phase diagrams is essential to understand the microstructural evolution in metallic alloys. Theoretical predictions are difficult and usually rely on simplifying assumptions, such as interatomic potentials on a rigid lattice. In this study, we investigate a more realistic situation where atoms can move freely and interact through a position dependent potential. Using relaxed Monte Carlo simulations, we calculate the phase diagram of binary alloys exhibiting a phase separation (Cu-Ag type) or an order-disorder transformation (Cu-Au type). The whole composition range, from low temperature up to the liquid state is considered. By changing the parameters values of the potential, we have systematically studied the evolution of the phase diagram when the difference between the atomic radii of the two components is increased. The understanding of the phase stability in thin films and nanoparticles, where elastic relaxations play a major role is a natural extension of this work.

Prediction of the Thermodynamic Properties of Liquid Alloys by Molecular Interaction Volume Model: *Hongwei Yang*¹; *Dongping Tao*¹; ¹Kunming University of Science and Technology

The thermodynamic properties (for example: activities and mixing enthalpies) of ternary and quaternary liquid alloys are calculated by molecular interaction volume model (MIVM) which is a two-parameter model with the partial molar infinite dilute mixing enthalpies. The predicted values are in agreement with the

experimental data and then indicate that the model is reliable, convenient and economic.

First Principle Calculation of the Structural and Electronic Property of Zr Doped $B_{13}C_2$: *Yu Liang¹; Ru Hongqiang¹; Jiang Yanli¹; Zuo Liang¹; Xue Xiangxin¹; ¹Northeastern University*

The first principle calculations based on density functional theory were carried out to study the stability and electronic properties of three structural unit models of Zr atom doped boron carbides ($B_{13}C_2$) crystal using CASTEP code which employed a plane wave-pseudo potential expansion technology. The calculations results show that Zr atom doped boron carbide is in preference to substituting C atom on the end of boron carbide chain, a representative structural unit containing Zr atom is $[C-B-Zr] \epsilon + [B_{11}C] \epsilon -$, while the structural unit without Zr is $[C-B-C] \epsilon - [B_{11}C] \epsilon +$. The band and density of states (DOS) indicates that the coexistence of these two different structural units makes the electrical conductivity increased. As the covalent bond of Zr-B is weaker than those of B-B and B-C, and the thermal conductivity decreases when Zr doped $B_{13}C_2$, the thermoelectric property of Zr doped boron carbides will be improved.

Anharmonic Phonons in A15 V3X Compounds: *Oliver Delaire¹; Jorge Munoz¹; Matthew Lucas¹; Max Kresch¹; Rebecca Stevens¹; Brent Fultz¹; ¹California Institute of Technology*

Using inelastic neutron scattering, we investigated the temperature-dependence of the phonon density of states (DOS) in the A15 compounds V3Si, V3Ge and V3Co. Phonons in V3Si exhibit an anomalous stiffening up to temperatures $T > 500^\circ\text{C}$, while V3Co and V3Ge exhibit the more common softening, expected from thermal expansion. We also measured the heat capacity of the compounds, which could be correlated to the trend observed in the phonons. To help interpret experimental results, we performed Density functional theory (DFT) calculations of these materials. The calculated phonon DOS was in good agreement with the low-T measurements. The electronic part of the heat capacity was also obtained from the DFT computations. V3Si and V3Ge are known to exhibit a fairly strong electron-phonon coupling, as evidenced by their rather high superconducting T_c ($T_c = 16\text{K}$ for V3Si). Anharmonic couplings arising from phonon-phonon or electron-phonon interactions are used to explain the departure from the quasiharmonic behavior.

Modeling of Dynamic Strain Aging in Solid Solutions: Part II: Multiple Strengthening Mechanisms: *Monica Soare¹; William Curtin¹; ¹Brown University*

Having previously shown that a full rate theory for thermally-activated dislocation motion involving a single rate-dependent dislocation strengthening mechanism is unable to predict a regime of negative strain rate sensitivity, here the analysis is extended to incorporate two concurrent mechanisms, solute strengthening and forest hardening, each of which is influenced by the same time-dependent solute diffusion. Explicitly, solute diffusion toward both (i) temporarily arrested but otherwise mobile dislocations and (ii) forest dislocations formed during the plastic deformation are considered simultaneously. Solute strengthening controls the overall rate dependence so that forest hardening enters the theory as a time, strain, and strain-rate dependent "backstress" acting on the mobile dislocations. The model includes the influence of plastic strain, strain rate, temperature, and solute concentration. Comparisons to experimental data on Al-Mg alloys show broad quantitative agreement, including non-intuitive features such as the non-additivity of solute strengthening and forest hardening at low strain rates.

Solute Drag Simulations in Grain Growth with Realistic Interaction Potential Input from Atomistic Simulations: *Michael Gao¹; Anthony Rollett¹; Branden Kappes¹; Moneesh Upmanyu²; ¹Carnegie Mellon University; ²Colorado School of Mines*

With the solute-grain boundary interaction potentials calculated from atomistic simulations, solute segregation and solute drag phenomena are reexamined using gradient weighted finite element package GRAIN3D coupled with solute diffusion field in 3-dimension grain growth. Specifically, the potential versus distance away from a grain boundary plane are computed using embedded atom method (EAM) for fcc Al with impurity of Mg for a flat tilt grain boundary with tilting angle of 0, 32, 35, 37, 38 and 40 degrees. These measured potentials are then directly input into GRAIN3D to simulate Mg segregation and the

corresponding drag effect during grain growth. Our simulation results are compared with analytical models reported in the literature.

Grain Growth Simulations with Langevin Noise: *Nele Moelans¹; Frans Spaepen²; ¹Katholieke Universiteit Leuven; ²Harvard University*

We have added, in a thermodynamically consistent way, Langevin noise to a diffuse interface (phase field) model for grain growth. With this model we simulated how thermal noise affects grain growth. The total energy content of the simulated system was measured as a function of time. Energy jumps were linked to special events in the grain growth process, for example the disappearance of a grain. Depending on the magnitude of the noise, certain events and processes are induced or accelerated. Furthermore, we studied the stability and occurrence of (local) metastable grain configurations as a function of the magnitude of the noise. Langevin noise is also successful in preventing artificial pinning and drag in simulations, for example as a result of low resolution of the numerical technique.

Phase Field Study of Precipitate Growth Kinetics: Effect of a Misfit Strain: *Rajdip Mukherjee¹; Thennathur Abinandanan¹; Mogadalai Gururajan²; ¹Indian Institute of Science; ²Northwest University*

Laraia and Johnson presented a model for the kinetics of growth of an isolated, dilatationally misfitting precipitate. Our study - using a phase field model based on the Cahn-Hilliard equation - is aimed at validating their results through 'computer experiments', since those results are not amenable for direct experimental verification. We first establish the validity of phase field experiments by showing that the parabolic growth coefficient obtained from our phase field simulations is in very good agreement with that obtained through a numerical solution of the classical Zener problem with a variable diffusivity. We then show that the parabolic growth coefficient for a dilatationally misfitting precipitate is in agreement with that obtained from the sharp interface model (modified to account for composition-dependent diffusivity) of Laraia and Johnson. In more supersaturated alloys, since curvature effects are smaller, the agreement between phase field results and those from the sharp-interface model is better.

Microscopic Phase-Field Simulation of the Ni_3Al Phase Separation Process: *Yanli Lu¹; ¹Northwestern Polytechnical University, School of Materials Science and Engineering*

The separation process of Ni_3Al phase in Ni-Al alloy containing 12.5at.% Al was simulated at the atomic scale using the microscopic phase-field model and microelasticity theory. The simulation results show that Ni_3Al phases firstly are formed from the disordered solid solution by the mechanism of non-classical nucleation growth, resulting in the appearance of single ordered domain separated by the antiphase domain boundaries (APBs). With the ordered domains isostructural decomposing and the Al-lean regions disordering spontaneously, the equilibrium state is formed finally. In the whole stage of precipitation, the shape of Ni_3Al phase becomes more regular and their orientation becomes more obvious, at the later stage, Ni_3Al phases present quadrate shape with round corner and align along the [10] and [01] directions.

Development and Calibration of Pseudo-Binary Phase Field Modeling for Microstructural Evolution in Multi-Component Alloys: *Billie Wang¹; James Lill²; Youhai Wen³; Jeff Simmons⁴; Yunzhi Wang¹; ¹Ohio State University; ²High Performance Technologies Inc.; ³UES Inc.; ⁴Air Force Research Laboratory*

Alloy development time is under constant pressure to be reduced. Physics-based modeling promises to make the most efficient use of experimentalist time by identifying processing windows for the formation of desirable microstructures. In order to be incorporated into the development cycle, a model must be calibrated rapidly and accurately, and be computationally efficient. To this end, a pseudo-binary phase field methodology that captures the kinetics of microstructural evolution of a multi-component system was developed. The parameters for the pseudo-binary model were optimized using the simplex method to match experimental measurement on average particle size as function of time. A penalty function was defined to quantify deviation from target parameters and accounts for uncertainty in literature, database and experimental data. Preliminary results will be presented.

Model Study and Forecast on the Behavior of Rare Earth during Solidification Process of Heavy Rail Steel: Liu Chengjun¹; ¹Northeastern University

A thermodynamic model was developed to describe quantitatively elements segregation and inclusions precipitation during solidification process of heavy rail steel. According to the SEM and energy spectrum analysis, the model could completely consist with experimental results. The state of RE and constituents of inclusions in heavy rail steel with different cleanliness were studied. The results as follows: (1) The increment of RE dissolved in heavy rail steel mainly has two stages: the first stage is before the RE second phases were not precipitated, the second stage is after the separation react of the RE second phases reached equilibrium. And the increment of the second stage is more obvious. (2) Under the conditions of the same RE addition, the content of solid lanthanum dissolved in heavy rail steel is more than that of cerium. Alloying function of lanthanum is better than that of cerium.

Numerical Simulation of Twin-Roll Strip Casting Process: Jieyu Zhang¹; Bo Wang²; ¹Shanghai University; ²Inner Mongolia University of Science and Technology

A three-dimensional mathematical model has been developed to simulate fluid flow, heat transfer, and solidification in twin-roll strip casting of steel. The two equation model is used to incorporate the turbulence in fluid flow. The effect of the casting speed, superheat, and roll gap on the flow and temperature field was predicted. The simulation results showed that it was desirable for the wedge metal delivery system to not only gain the uniform of flow and temperature in the pool, but also improve strip quality and ensure casting process.

Thermodynamics of Liquid Phase Sintering of SiC Using Al₂O₃ and Y₂O₃ as Sintering Additives: Hans Seifert¹; Damian Cupid²; Olga Fabricichnaya¹; ¹Technische University Bergakademie; ²University of Florida

A thermodynamic dataset for the Al-C-O-Si-Y system was used for calculations of multicomponent, multiphase reactions. Some aspects of the liquid phase sintering of silicon carbide using alumina and yttria sintering additives were analyzed. The phase relations in the SiC-Al₂O₃, SiC-Al₂O₃-SiO₂ and SiC-Y₂O₃-SiO₂ systems were calculated. Phase fraction diagrams, isopleths, isothermal sections, and potential phase diagrams are presented to illustrate the reactions between silicon carbide and sintering additives. The effect of Ar inert gas as an additional component and the related volume change of the gas phase were considered. In addition, the influence of surface silica on silicon carbide powder is taken into account.

Modeling of Oxygen Kinetics in a Ag/MgO Composite: Nilindu Muthubandara¹; Irina Belova¹; Andreas Oechsner²; Graeme Murch¹; ¹University of Newcastle; ²Technical University of Malaysia

The presence of atomic oxygen at metal/oxide interfaces can significantly affect the physical properties of interfaces and hence the properties of the bulk material. We modeled oxygen diffusion in Ag-MgO composites with a Lattice Monte Carlo method and the finite element method. First, we considered oxygen in-diffusion from a constant surface source solely into a Ag metal matrix: oxygen depth profiles were in excellent agreement with exact results. Next, we simulated oxygen in-diffusion/segregation in the composite permitting and restricting the mobility of oxygen in different scenarios involving the Ag-MgO interface. The (higher temperature) out-diffusion of oxygen from the composite was also simulated and corresponding results obtained for the oxygen depth profiles. In both cases, very good agreement was found between the Lattice Monte Carlo method and the finite element method.

Kinetic Study on Chromium Ore Dissolution in CaO-SiO₂-MgO-Al₂O₃ Melts: Jiang Maofa¹; ¹Northeastern University

To reveal the smelting reduction mechanism of chromium ore for producing stainless steel in converter, the dissolution behavior of chromium ore in CaO-SiO₂-MgO-Al₂O₃ slag system was studied by laboratory experiments, and the effect of different temperature and slag composition on the dissolution rate of chromium ore in slag was investigated. The dissolution mechanism of chromium ore in slag was discussed. A kinetic model for dissolution process of chromium ore was developed on macrokinetics theory for the first time. According to the data of dissolution experiments, the regression expression between the dissolution rate constant and the temperature and slag composition was obtained. It was found that the dissolution process of chromium ore is controlled

by the surface dissolution reaction on conditions of the present experiments, where the temperature has significant effect on the reaction rate constant of chromium ore dissolution. The calculated value of dissolution activation energy is 524.50 kJ·mol⁻¹.

Study on Dynamic Mathematical Model of Ion Exchange Process: Changren Tong¹; Fengli Yang¹; Xiaoxue Zhou¹; ¹Jiangxi University of Science and Technology

Based on the mechanism analysis of fixed-bed ion exchange process, the relationship among solution flow in column, external diffusion, inner diffusion and ion exchange reaction was given an overall consideration, with the aid of thermodynamics, Fick's law of diffusion and flow solution micro-layers idea, dynamic mathematical model on fixed-bed ion exchange process was developed. In the paper, simulation verification based on an example of tungsten ion exchange process was carried out. The results show the dynamic mathematical model was in agreement with ion exchange practical process, and it would provide guidance and reference for ion exchange process.

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On the Phase Diagram and Thermodynamics of the Al-Ca-Cu System: A Combined Approach of Experiments, CALPHAD and First-Principles Calculations: Michael Gao¹; Gary Shiflet¹; Marek Mihalovic²; Michael Widom²; ¹University of Virginia; ²Carnegie Mellon University

This study combines critical experiments, CALPHAD modeling and first principles calculations to determine the Al-Ca-Cu ternary phase diagram and the quantitative thermodynamics. Using electron microprobe analysis, nine ternary compounds are experimentally identified. Four ternary compounds and three binary compounds are found to have extended Al/Cu solubility. The compound crystal structures are proposed according to first principles calculations. The observed Al/Cu homogeneity ranges are in good agreement with theoretical predictions. Based on current first principles calculations and experimental results, the complete phase diagram of Al-Ca-Cu is updated and the thermodynamic descriptions are determined via CALPHAD modeling.

Microstructure Evolution and Mechanical Properties of In-Situ Fe-Zr-Nb Ultrafine Eutectic Composites: Tae Eung Kim¹; Jin Man Park¹; Ka Ram Lim¹; Won Tae Kim²; Do Hyang Kim¹; ¹Yonsei University; ²Chongju University

Recently, there have been considerable interests in the development of nano/ultrafine grained materials for structural applications. However, applications of these materials are restricted by various reasons such as complex processing route, limited size and low ductility at room temperature. To overcome the limited ductility of these materials, a new concept for the design of composite microstructure with different length scale has been proposed.¹ In this study, we investigated the development of in-situ nano/ultrafine eutectic composites in Fe-Zr-Nb alloy system by tailoring the microstructure during solidification processing. The morphology and distribution of primary phases (α -Fe or Fe₂Zr) and the scale of α -Fe/Fe₂Zr eutectic have been significantly changed depending on the alloy composition. To improve strength and ductility, Cr and C have been added as strengthening elements in ternary Fe-Zr-Nb alloy system. ¹E. Ma *et al.*, "High tensile ductility in a nanostructured metal" NATURE VOL 419, p912-915.

Nano Eutectic Al-Ag₂Al Composites with High Strength and Ductility: Sung Woo Sohn¹; Jin Man Park¹; Tae Eung Kim¹; Ka Ram Lim¹; Won Tae Kim²; Do Hyang Kim¹; ¹Yonsei University; ²Chongju University

Recently, extensive investigations have been carried out on nano/ultrafine structured materials due to outstanding mechanical properties. Nano/ultrafine grained alloys exhibit high strength but lack of ductility, which restricts their application. The Al-Ag system, which contains a eutectic between the Al solid solution and the Ag₂Al compound, has been selected since the slopes of liquidus, solidus and solvus are very different for the two sides. The alloy compositions studied in the present study are Al-xAg (x= 65, 67 and 69 at%). In-situ eutectic

structure has been obtained under the conditions of various cooling rate such as melt spinning, injection casting, and conventional mold casting. Each sample has been carefully observed using secondary electron microscopy (SEM) and transmission electron microscopy (TEM). The cylindrical samples with 1 mm diameter have been tested in compression mode at room temperature, showing the strength of over 800MPa with a notable strain of 25%.

Microstructural Characterization in Cast AlMg Alloy-SiCp Composites: S. Valdez¹; B. Campillo¹; R. Perez¹; L. Martínez¹; A. García H.²; ¹Instituto de Ciencias Físicas-Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México; ²Facultad de Química-Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México

On the present investigation, microstructural behavior of 10 vol% SiCp reinforced composites was investigated. The composites used were produced by vortex technique. In the vortex process, an Al-8.7 wt% Mg as-cast alloy added with SiC particulates were mixed into the steel tubes at 1500 rpm. The metal-matrix composites was characterized with the purpose of knowing and quantifying the present phases, distribution of stiffener and the interaction of SiC particulates with the metal-matrix. Material characterization was made by means of X-ray diffraction (DRX) and scanning electron microscopy (MEB). Composite microstructure is influenced by solidification parameters and processing conditions. Hence, mechanical properties are highly sensible to the microstructure and these are indirectly related to the preparation route, so processing parameters involved have a great importance. Vortex technique generates a composite with non secondary chemical reactions, minimum porosity approx. 5%, and uniform particles distribution in the Aluminum matrix.

Mean Width Evaluation on Regular Grids: Seth Wilson¹; A.D. Rollett¹; ¹Carnegie Mellon University

We develop and compare several methods to compute the mean width (first-order Minkowski functional) of grains represented on regular grids. Error analysis is presented for a variety of shapes with cusps, creases, facets, and curved surfaces whose mean widths are known exactly. We use our mean width measurements to test the 3D generalization of the vonNeumann-Mullins relation conjectured by MacPherson and Srolovitz (Nature 2007), in the context of multiphase field and Monte Carlo models of isotropic normal grain growth. Results are presented for single grains as well as large networks of grains.

Microstructural Studies of Heteroepitaxial Silicon-on-Sapphire by TEM: Titus Dutta¹; Gopinath Trichy¹; Jagdish Narayan¹; ¹North Carolina State University

Silicon on sapphire (SOS) based devices have extremely small parasitic junction capacitance and hence are suitable for high speed-low power applications. The performance of SOS devices depend on the film-substrate interface and defects that arise due to the high misfit (14%) strain. We report on the detailed investigation of misfit defects in the heteroepitaxial Si(100)/r-plane of sapphire system by cross sectional transmission electron microscopy (TEM). The SAED pattern with the zone axis, $\langle 100 \rangle_{\text{Si}} \parallel \langle 01-11 \rangle_{\text{Sap}}$, revealed the following epitaxial relationship: $(040)_{\text{Si}} \parallel (-4-220)_{\text{Sap}}$. Epitaxial growth in this high misfit system is interpreted and explained by domain matching epitaxy, where integral multiples of lattice planes match across the film-substrate interface. HRTEM revealed a sharp interface with no interfacial reaction. The Si film showed extensive twinning, the linear twin density was estimated to be $2 \times 10^5/\text{cm}$. Evidence of ion-channeling within the twinned region has also been demonstrated.

The Change of Microstructure and Hydrogen Permeation of Nb-TiNi Alloys with Various Ti/Ni Ratios: Tetsuya Kato¹; Kazuhiro Ishikawa¹; Kiyoshi Aoki¹; ¹Kitami Institute of Technology

High purity hydrogen is mainly produced by purification of steam reformed gas by using the Pd-based hydrogen permeation alloy membrane. However, Pd is too expensive and rare in resources, so that non-Pd alloys are strongly desired. We have demonstrated that the Nb-TiNi alloys having the Ti/Ni ratio = 1.0 show high hydrogen permeability and large resistance against the hydrogen embrittlement. However, their performance is insufficient for industrial applications. The value of permeability increases with increasing Nb content in the Nb-TiNi alloys with Ti/Ni ratio=1.0, but the higher Nb content alloys suffer from the hydrogen embrittlement. In the present work, the effect of Ti/Ni ratio on the microstructures, crystal structures and permeability of Nb-TiNi alloys is investigated and discussed on the basis of the experimental data.

Synthesis and Hydrogen Absorption of Li-Doped Titanate Nanotube by Hydrothermal Ion Exchange Processing: Yi-Hun Jung¹; Dong Hyun Kim¹; Sun-Jae Kim²; Kyung Sub Lee¹; ¹Hanyang University; ²Sejong University

Titanate nanotubes have been studied for hydrogen storage due to its unique shape of interlayers. However, absorbing reaction occurred only at a high temperature and/or low temperature (at -196°C and over 250°C). In order to improve the hydrogen capacity of titanate nanotubes at RT, Li-doped titanate nanotubes were synthesized by hydrothermal lithium ion exchange processing from titanate nanotube precursor. To prepare the Li-doped TNT, titanate nanotubes powder was mixed with LiOH aqueous solution and the resulting suspension placed in a Ni-lined stainless-steel autoclave at 120°C for 24 hrs. And Li-doped TNT were fired at 100-500°C in vacuum to remove the hydrate in the nanotube. The sorption of hydrogen of the titanate nanotubes was studied by the conventional volumetric pressure-composition isothermal method at RT, 10 to 40atm. Systematic studies of effect of Li dopant in the nanotube and the relationship between interlayer spacing and hydrogen capacity with firing temperature were presented.

The Effect of Addition of Sn, Zr and B on the Microstructure Evolution in Zn-Al Alloy: Ka Ram Lim¹; Jin Man Park¹; Tae Eung Kim¹; Sung Woo Sohn¹; Hee Tae Jeong²; Won Tae Kim¹; Do Hyang Kim¹; ¹Center for Noncrystalline Materials; ²BK21

Zn-Al alloys are well-known to have excellent damping properties when they are quenched from above the eutectoid temperature of 550K. The reduction of the lamella spacing in Zn-22 wt.% Al eutectoid alloy can lead to the increase of damping capacity. In the present study, Zn-22 wt.% Al alloy has been prepared by casting into a copper mold followed by rolling with reduction of ~ 50 %. Almost fully lamella structure has been obtained in Zn-22 wt.% Al alloy by heat treatment under the eutectoid temperature. The lamella spacing is about 200~300 nm. The orientation relationship between lamellae is $[11-20]_{\beta} \parallel [110]_{\alpha}$, $(0001)_{\beta} \parallel (-111)_{\alpha}$, which corresponds to the previous result. The effects of replacement of Zn by Sn, Zr and B on the spacing of lamella have been investigated. In addition, the effect of processing methods such as rolling and reciprocating extrusion on the microstructure and mechanical property has also been investigated.

Plasticity Size Effects: A Mechanism-Based Discrete Dislocation Analysis of Micro-Crystals: P. Guruprasad¹; Amine Benzerga¹; ¹Texas A&M University

Mechanism-based discrete dislocation plasticity (M-DDP) is used to study the effect of dimensional constraint on micro-crystals. The M-DDP framework involves key dislocation mechanisms including junction formation, dynamic source and dynamic obstacle formation, in addition to dislocation nucleation, annihilation and dislocation escape near the surface. Initially high dislocation source density specimens oriented for double-slip are subjected to macroscopically homogeneous deformation with applied strain rate varied between $10^4 - 10^5/\text{s}$. In general all the specimens showed stress strain response typical of bulk crystals highlighted by strong size affected stage II hardening rate (Θ_H). A slight decrease in the flowstress values were observed with decrease in strain rate, nevertheless Θ_H remained significant. The observed strengthening was attributed to the emergence of a net GND density locally. As a consequence of the net GND build-up we observe: (a) Taylor hardening law breaks down (b) strong Bauschinger effect in the specimens below micron scale.

Synthesis and Mechanical Properties of Al₂O₃/Ti₅₀Cu₂₈Ni₁₅Sn₇ Bulk Metallic Glass Composite: Pee-Yew Lee¹; Chih-Feng Hsu¹; ¹National Taiwan Ocean University

In the present study, the preparation of Ti₅₀Cu₂₈Ni₁₅Sn₇ metallic glass composite powders was successfully synthesized by the mechanical alloying of powder mixtures of pure Ti, Cu, Ni, Sn and Al₂O₃ after a 6h milling. In the ball-milled composites, the initial Al₂O₃ particles were homogeneously dispersed in the Ti-based alloy glassy matrix. The metallic glass composite powders were found to exhibit a large supercooled liquid region before crystallization. Bulk metallic glass (BMG) composite compact discs were obtained by consolidating the 6h as-milled composite powders by vacuum hot pressing process. The microstructure of the Ti₅₀Cu₂₈Ni₁₅Sn₇ BMG with 8 vol. % Al₂O₃ additions exhibited an amorphous matrix embedded with Al₂O₃ nanoparticles ranging from 20 to 300 nm. A significant hardness increase with the Al₂O₃ additions can be achieved for the Ti₅₀Cu₂₈Ni₁₅Sn₇ BMG composites. These BMG composites exhibit good mechanical properties of 1880~2190 MPa for compressive strength and 2.0~2.27 for compressive elastic strain.

The Role of Carbide Morphology in High Temperature Deformation of a Modified Single Crystal Nickel-Base Superalloy: *Andrew Wasson*¹; Gerhard Fuchs¹; Elyssa Cutler¹; ¹University of Florida

Carbon additions to single crystal Ni-base superalloys are known to reduce casting defects, surface scale, and oxide inclusions in large blade castings such as those in industrial gas turbines. In this study, the effect of carbon, carbon and boron, and carbon and nitrogen additions on the microstructure, high temperature tensile, creep, and high cycle fatigue behavior of CMSX-4 was examined. All tests were conducted at 850°C. The analysis focused on how the different additions altered the carbide morphology and how this carbide morphology affected the different modes of deformation and failure. The carbon and nitrogen additions produced carbides that were primarily blocky while the other alloys exhibited more script morphology carbides. Fracture surfaces and post-test microstructures were used to show how the carbides affected the various deformation mechanisms.

Thermal Stability of Cu-Sn Metal-Metal Interconnects: *Jemima Fernandez*¹; Megan Frary¹; Amy Moll¹; ¹Boise State University

Cu-Sn is currently being investigated as an alternative to Pb-Sn solders. It is especially interesting for small scale solder bumps and fine pitches. With the appropriate bonding conditions, the preferred phase of Cu-Sn (Cu₃Sn) can be formed at the interface of two bond pads. This phase should be thermodynamically stable (for up to 350°C) and withstand multiple reflow cycles encountered during the assembly process of a multilayer interconnect stack. This paper investigates the thermal stability and reliability of Cu-Sn bonded die with different Sn thicknesses and bonding pressures. The samples are isothermally aged at 125°C ± 10°C and also subjected to thermal cycling from 125°C to -55°C. The samples are analyzed before and after experiments to track any changes in inter-metallic growth, grain-structure, die cracking, package cracking, and bond lifting with analytical tools including Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM), Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) and Electron Back Scattered Diffraction (EBSD).

Phase Transformation into α Phase Enhanced by Substrate Surface Defects in an Alumina Thin Film Grown on Si(001): *Sung Bo Lee*¹; *Eun Kyu Her*¹; *Kyu Hwan Oh*¹; ¹School of Materials Science and Engineering, Seoul National University

A 250-nm-thick Al₂O₃ film was deposited on a Si(100) 4-inch wafer by a radio-frequency (rf) magnetron sputtering and annealed at 1050°C for various times in air. In the matrix composed of fine grains of about 50 nm in diameter, large α -Al₂O₃ grains of about 2-5 μ m in diameter were formed, arranging themselves in rows. The thermal expansion coefficient of alumina is higher than that of silicon, which develops compressive stresses in the film. The observed, enhanced phase-transformation into α -Al₂O₃ is suggested to start at surface steps in the Si wafer which may bring the highest strain energy to the interface between Al₂O₃ film and Si substrate. This phenomenon was analyzed using Electron Backscattered Diffraction (EBSD), Focused Ion Beam (FIB) and Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM).

Slag Detection Technology: *Prasad Goundla*¹; Rizwan Abdul Rahman Rashid¹; Gouni Rajkiran¹; Siva Jyoth Reddy¹; ¹Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Technology

The occurrence of slag during the production of steel is inevitable with the result that the steel loses its quality thereby imposing severe financial losses on producers. Hence Slag Kills Profits. Now thanks to FLIR's advanced Infrared imaging technology, slag can be detected during casting of crude steel. The highly user-friendly, hand-held A20M state-of-the-art tool detects & records the presence of slag and emits a control signal enabling the operator to interrupt the process. The system also comes integrated with software for remote shutdown possibilities. In this paper, we discuss the properties of this technology, its proper usage techniques and its advantages to the steel industry fraternity.

The Study of the Destabilized Effect in NaAlH₄ Using TiN and BN: *Tabbatha Dobbins*¹; *Whitney Fisher*¹; ¹Louisiana Technical University

Destabilized metal hydride systems are gaining increased attention due to their ability to undergo a lowered hydrogen desorption reaction temperature (moving toward targeted temperatures set by the Dept. of Energy). LiBH₄ has been destabilized using MgH₂ (Vajo, Skeith, and Mertens) with a demonstrated lowering of the hydrogen desorption reaction temperature by 90 C (compared to LiBH₄ alone). This research reports on the potential for destabilization of NaAlH₄ using TiN and BN as destabilizer phases. The samples prepared were

NaAlH₄ with varying concentrations of TiN or BN (specifically, 25 mol%, 50 mol%, and 75 mol% concentrations were used). The destabilizer was introduced to the hydride powder system using high energy ball milling (SPEX 8000M mill in WC mill media). After high energy milling, the formation of TiAl (using the TiN destabilizer) was determined by x-ray diffraction. Alternatively, there was no formation of Al-B phases.

Synthesis and Characterization of Bulk Amorphous/Amorphous Composite Alloys through Powder Metallurgy Route: *Pee-Yew Lee*¹; ¹National Taiwan Ocean University

Recently dual-amorphous phases bulk metallic glasses (DAPBMG) consisting of two metallic glassy phases has attracted increasing R&D interests. Similar to the concept of composite material, DAPBMG can be expected to exhibit dual properties of its original ones. In this study, we attempt to prepare the DAPBMG through powder metallurgy route. The amorphous Ni₆₀Nb₂₀Zr₂₀ and Ti₅₀Cu₂₈Ni₁₅Sn₇ alloy powders were synthesized separately by mechanical alloying technique. The dual-phase powders were prepared by mixing corresponding amorphous powders. The amorphous dual-phase powders were then consolidated into DAPBMG discs. The microstructure of DAPBMG discs showed that the Ni₆₀Nb₂₀Zr₂₀ phase is distributed homogeneously within the Ti₅₀Cu₂₈Ni₁₅Sn₇ matrix. The mechanical behavior of the DAPBMG was investigated by hardness test. The measured hardness values follow the rule-of-mixture equation for describing the hardness of the composite materials. The relative density and Vickers microhardness of DAPBMG increase as the amount of Ni₆₀Nb₂₀Zr₂₀ of the bulk samples increases.

Morphological Changes after H₂ Desorption from Ti³⁺-Catalyzed NaAlH₄: *Nicholas Dailey*¹; *Tabbatha Dobbins*²; ¹Grambling State University; ²Louisiana Technical University

With the continuing problem with global warming, a way to properly store hydrogen in cars needs to be established in order to institute environmentally "clean" energy technologies. Our research addresses issues in hydrogen storage materials by studying powder morphology changes. Specifically, Ti³⁺-catalyzed NaAlH₄ is demonstrated to experience morphological changes upon hydrogen desorption at 150C and 200C. After desorption at 150C for 5 minutes, the NaAlH₄ powder appeared to have melted (as indicated by both the powder morphology and the loss in intensity in the x-ray diffraction peaks). Melting occurred prior to any transformation to the product phases. Alternatively, experiments performed at 200C for 5 minutes showed that the powders partially transformed to Na₃AlH₆ and Al product phases. Those powders appear to have also melted and show an increased quantity of spherical porosity (relative to powders which did not undergo desorption).

Metals Industry Air Metals Emissions and Hazard Rankings: *John Heinze*¹; *Karen Hagelstein*²; ¹Environmental Health Research Foundation; ²TIMES Limited

Total releases of metal air emissions (18 metals) from the metals manufacturing industry (SIC33XX) were over 3400 tons in 2005, according to the latest US EPA Toxic Release Inventory data. These emissions represent the largest source of metal air emissions of any industry sector in the US. Because metals have well recognized human health and the environmental hazard properties, metal air emissions can be prioritized not only by the amount of metal compounds released, but also by their hazard properties, also called "toxicity weighting." For example, the five most toxic metals according to EPA's Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) for hazardous waste metal compounds are: mercury, followed by cadmium and selenium, and then arsenic and lead. The Indiana Relative Chemical Hazard Score (IRCHS) and other methods of hazard ranking will be evaluated and compared as methods for prioritizing hazard impacts and environmental management practices in metals manufacturing.

The Influence of Heterogeneity in Grain Boundary Sliding Resistance on the Constitutive Behavior of AA5083: *David Cipoletti*¹; *Allan Bower*¹; *Yue Qi*²; *Paul Krajewski*²; ¹Brown University; ²General Motors R&D Center

Continuum finite element simulations are used to investigate the influence of heterogeneity in grain boundary sliding resistance on the creep response of the aluminum alloy AA5083 when deformed at 450°C. Previous simulations and experiments have demonstrated that under these conditions, grain boundary sliding (GBS) is the dominant deformation mechanism at strain rates below 0.001, and dislocation creep (DC) is the dominant mechanism for higher strain

rates. However, these simulations assumed a uniform resistance to sliding on all grain boundaries. Molecular dynamic simulations indicate that sliding resistance is strongly sensitive to the character of the boundary: high angle boundaries have resistance up to an order of magnitude lower than low angle boundaries. Finite element simulations are used to investigate the influence of the fraction of high angle boundaries f in a polycrystal on its creep response and operative deformation mechanisms. Computation results showed that GBS heterogeneity greatly influenced the constitutive response.

Nanoscale Electrical Properties of NiO Thin Films: *Cheol-Hwan Kim*¹; Hak-Beom Moon¹; Seong-Sik Min¹; Yun-Hyung Jang¹; Jin-Hyung Cho¹; ¹Pusan National University

The electrical properties of NiO thin films have been studied extensively to exploit their resistance change effect to nonvolatile memory devices. To understand the mechanism of the resistance change, we have studied nanoscale electrical properties of NiO thin films grown by RF magnetron sputtering method. The nanoscale electrical properties were measured using the conducting atomic force microscopy (CAFM) and the electric force microscopy (EFM) and the data indicate that the transition of resistance states results from filamentary conducting paths in the NiO thin films. We will discuss the experimental results of the resistance change of NiO thin films in terms of mechanism of filamentary conducting path.

Microstructural Evolution and Mechanical Properties with Addition of Sn in Mg-MM(Misch-Metal) Alloy: *JoonSeok Kyeong*¹; Hyun Kyu Lim¹; Won Tae Kim²; Do Hyang Kim¹; ¹Yonsei University, Department of Metallurgy/NSM Laboratory; ²Cheongju University

Considering the beneficial effect of MM (misch metal) and Sn addition in Mg-based alloys, it is strongly required to investigate Mg-MM-Sn system for casting products as well as wrought products. Therefore, the present study aims to identify the phases in Mg-RE-Sn system, and to evaluate the mechanical properties of Mg-MM-Sn rolled sheets. The Sn addition into the Mg-MM alloy results in the formation of the feather-shaped phase mainly in the interdendritic region when the ratio of Sn to MM is close to 1 in wt%. Although the strength of alloy is decreased with addition of Sn in Mg-MM alloys, the rollability and ductility are improved when the feather-shaped phase is formed in Mg-rich Mg-MM-Sn alloy due to the sound interface without forming any void at the boundary of the feather-shaped phase during tensile loading.

Laser Synthesis of Porous and Textured Ca-P Bio-Ceramic Coating on Ti-6Al-4V: *Sameer Patil*¹; Narendra Dahotre¹; ¹University of Tennessee

In the present work the feasibility of depositing a porous and geometrically textured Calcium Phosphate (CaP) bio-ceramic coating using a continuous wave Nd:YAG laser on a Ti-6Al-4V substrate has been demonstrated. Advantages offered by such porous bio-ceramic coating is its inertness combined with the mechanical stability of the highly convoluted interface that develops when bone grows into the pores of ceramic. Non-destructive phase analysis of the laser processed samples were carried out using XRD. Quantitative estimation of the crystallite size and relative amounts of Ti, TiO₂ and α -tricalcium phosphate (α -TCP) was obtained. Surface porosity measurements indicated a decreasing trend with increasing laser fluence. In the preliminary studies, the bioactivity of the coatings were further proved by the formation of an apatite like layer on the surface of the sample after being immersed in a simulated bio fluid.

Hydrogen Permeability of Pure Nb and NbTi Solid Solution Alloys: *Naoyoshi Ota*¹; Kazuhiro Ishikawa¹; Kiyoshi Aoki¹; ¹Kitami Institute of Technology

In recent years, non-palladium based hydrogen permeation alloys have actively been investigated by several research groups. Group 5 metals such as V, Nb and Ta showing large hydrogen solubility and high hydrogen diffusivity are promising for hydrogen permeation membranes, because hydrogen permeability is the product of hydrogen solubility and hydrogen diffusivity. However, it is recognized that these metals suffer severe hydrogen brittleness and are pulverized spontaneously during hydrogenation. Then, they are unusable as a hydrogen permeation alloy. However, it is still uncertain why they are easily broken in a hydrogen atmosphere. In the present work, hydrogen permeability of as-cast pure Nb and the NbTi alloys prepared by arc melting were successfully measured using a conventional gas permeation method. We discuss why hydrogen permeability of the as-cast pure Nb and the NbTi alloys is measurable on the basis of the microstructural observation.

Layer by Layer Nanoarchitectures Assembled Using Al₂O₃ and ZrO₂ Systems: *Kristan Moore*¹; Tabbetha Dobbins²; ¹Grambling State University; ²Louisiana Technical University

For controlling the content and spatial distribution of interphase boundaries in materials, we have used a technique known as layer-by-layer (LbL) nanoassembly. The principle behind electrostatic self-assembly is the use of polyelectrolytes (for example, polyallylamine hydrochloride as polycation and polystyrene sulfonate as polyanion) to provide a coulombic 'glue' between ceramic particulate layers. The inherent surface charge (zeta-potential) on the particulate systems leads to their attraction to the polyelectrolytes. The self-assembly technique has been used to deposit multilayered ceramic films and also been used to provide nm-particle coverage over μ m-scale colloidal particles. Using LbL nanoassembly, we have prepared various Al₂O₃ and ZrO₂. The concentration of the nanoparticles in suspension and deposition time was studied to affect the degree of microstructure control during self-assembly.

Inoculation of Aluminum Alloys with Nanosized Borides and Microstructure Analysis: *Hermes Calderón*¹; Cicily Smith²; Olga Menéndez¹; O. Marcelo Suárez¹; ¹University of Puerto Rico; ²Austing College

The effect of MgB₂, AlB₂, HfB₂, and NbB₂ nanosized particles on the grain structure and microhardness of AA6061 and AA7075 aluminum alloys was studied. The metal boride powders were processed with a vario-planetary ball milling unit to be afterwards mixed with pure aluminum pellets. The resulting mechanical mixture was added as inoculant to the aforementioned alloys. For comparison the alloys were separately treated with a commercial grain refiner. Changes in grain size were observed: while boride-treated AA7075 presented a dendritic structure, the boride-inoculated AA6061 alloy exhibited equiaxed grain structure. Vickers microhardness tests showed that MgB₂ and HfB₂ were most effective in improving mechanical strength of these aluminum alloys. Additionally, Charpy impact test were performed to identify the effect of inoculation on the treated alloys toughness.

Deformation Behavior of Magnesium Alloys with the Low c/a Ratio: *Beomsoo Shin*¹; Donghyun Bae¹; ¹Yonsei University

Deformation behavior of Mg-Re-Zn-Sn alloy sheets has been investigated. The sheets are produced by the conventional thermomechanical processes. Tensile tests were performed at a strain rate of 1x10⁻³s⁻¹ at room and elevated temperatures. The alloys exhibit superior tensile elongation higher than 25% at room temperature. The deformed microstructure shows that the contribution of deformation twinning to total elongation is not so significant, and non-basal dislocations are frequently observed. The non-basal slips can be activated not by the presence of refined grains, but by the low c/a ratio of alpha magnesium phase. The c/a ratio of the phase is measured to be below 1.6. The details of deformation behavior of the alloys will be presented.

Deformation Behavior of Zr-Based Bulk Metallic Glasses Showing No Catastrophic Failure at Room Temperature: *Jaehyuck Shin*¹; Donghyun Bae¹; ¹Yonsei University

Plastic deformation of bulk metallic glasses (BMGs) at room temperature occurs within the highly localized shear bands in which generated excess free volume is spontaneously coalesced, leading to a catastrophic failure of the BMGs even under compression. Therefore, to prevent the catastrophic failure, atomic clustering kinetics should be retarded. Zr-Al-Cu-Ni BMGs with high thermal activation energy have shown a highly deformable behavior without global failure under compression. In addition, further plastic homogeneity in the macroscopic appearance can be achieved with the addition of minor elements in the Zr-based BMGs due to the formation of abundant nano-scale ordered sites which initiate multiple shear bands. With the consideration of structural thermal stability, together with free volume, deformation behavior of Zr-based bulk metallic glasses which show no catastrophic failure at room temperature will be discussed.

Effect of Cr on the Oxidation Behavior of Ti-46Al-2V Alloy: *Daniela Pilone*¹; Ferdinando Felli¹; ¹Sapienza Università di Roma

Titanium aluminide alloys are already used because of excellent mechanical properties, but are limited to low temperature applications due to insufficient oxidation resistance. When these alloys are subjected to oxidation in air the scale is not a protective Al₂O₃ layer, but a mixture of Al₂O₃ and TiO₂. The oxidation resistance of TiAl intermetallics is known to be significantly affected

by the addition of alloying elements. The oxidation behavior of Ti-46Al-2V was studied and compared with the ones of the same alloy alloyed respectively with 7, 10 and 14 at.% Cr. Isothermal tests were conducted in air at 850 and 950°C. The scale's morphology and composition were studied by means of SEM/EDS and X-ray diffraction. From weight gain curves and cross-sectional microscopy after oxidation exposure it was found that more than 7 at.% of Cr improves the oxidation resistance of the alloy, although it simultaneously reduces its toughness.

Effects of Initial Texture on the Deformation Behaviors of Strip Cast AZ31 Mg Alloy: *Byoung Ho Lee¹; Sung Hyuk Park¹; Chong Lee¹; Wonkyu Bang²; Sangho Ahn²; ¹Pohang University of Science and Technology; ²Research Institute of Industrial Science and Technology*

The effect of initial texture on the deformation behavior of AZ31 Mg alloy was (manufactured by strip casting method) investigated in this work. XRD experiments showed that a strong basal texture (implying that the basal planes of HCP lattice in grains were located parallel to the rolling direction) was formed in the rolled plate, while a weak and random basal texture was formed in a strip cast sheet and cast ingots, respectively. Compressive specimens were obtained in two different directions, ND (normal direction) and RD (rolling direction). Microstructure observations and stress-strain curves showed that twin formation in strip-cast AZ31 Mg alloy was strongly affected by initial textures. Constitutive modeling of materials having different initial textures was also conducted in this work through physically-based modeling.

Effect of Prior Deformation on the Sliding Wear Characteristics of the Ultra-Fine Grained (UFG) Dual Phase Steel: *Yong-suk Kim¹; H. Yu¹; D. Shin²; ¹Kookmin University; ²Hanyang University*

Effect of prior deformation on the sliding wear of the ultra-fine grained (UFG) ferrite-martensite dual phase (DP) steel was investigated. The UFG DP steel was fabricated by the ECAP and subsequent intercritical annealing. The steel was cold rolled before the wear test, and the effect of the prior deformation on the wear was examined. The wear tests were carried out at various loads against a bearing steel ball. The wear rate of the UFG DP steel that did not experience the prior deformation was higher than that of the coarse-grained (CG) DP steel, because of more severe surface shear deformation. The wear rate of the specimens with prior deformation was much higher than that of the specimen without prior deformation. The deformed CG DP specimen showed higher rate than the deformed UFG DP specimen, and the rate-variation of the CG DP steel was much bigger under the same test condition.

Chemical Composition Effects on the Microstructure of Functionally-Graded Aluminum Matrix Composites: *Lilia Olaya-Luengas¹; Marcelo Suarez²; ¹University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez*

Aluminum matrix composites reinforced with boride dispersoids redefine the limits of aluminum-based materials due to their unique mechanical properties, low density and low-cost processing methods. In addition, by centrifugal casting a functionally-graded composite can be fabricated. The redistribution of the denser dispersoids in the aluminum matrix is further affected by changes in the levels of boron, magnesium, copper and calcium. The present research has been focused on studying the functionalized composite microstructure and the resulting graded mechanical properties. The final goal has been to determine the optimal reinforcement distribution as a function of the chemical composition of the material.

Co-Doping (Ti3+, Fe3+, and Zr4+) in NaAlH4 Powders Studied by Ultra-Small-Angle X-Ray Scattering (USAXS): *Ejiohene Oteri¹; Tabbetha Dobbins¹; ¹Louisiana Tech University*

This study uses ultrasmall angle x-ray scattering (USAXS) to elucidate differences in NaAlH4 particle morphology as dopant type and mill time is varied after co-doping using FeCl3-TiCl3, FeCl3-ZrCl4, and TiCl3-ZrCl4. In these co-doped systems, USAXS was used to track changes in powder surface area using measured particle sizes and volume fractions. The variation in desorption rates in those co-doped systems correlated well with changes in powder surface area—indicating surface reaction rates are the limiting factor in hydrogen desorption kinetics for these systems.

Application of Amide-Impregnated Fiber to Separation of Precious Metals: *Hirokazu Narita¹; Mikiya Tanaka¹; Kazuko Morisaku¹; Ken Tamura²; Daisuke Sakamoto³; Masashi Suzuki³; Tomomi Nadano³; ¹National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology; ²Chiba Institute of Technology; ³Saitama Industrial Technology Center*

The separation of precious metals in a hydrochloric acid solution using a solvent impregnated fiber (SIF) was investigated. N-disubstituted amide compounds and kapok fibers were used as the separation reagents and the impregnation support, respectively. We synthesized N,N-di-n-octyl-lauramide (DOLA), N,N'-dimethyl-N,N'-di-n-octyl-thiodiglycolamide (MOTDGA) and N,N'-dimethyl-N,N'-di-n-octyl-diglycolamide (MODGA) and prepared the amide-impregnated fibers (amide-IF). The adsorption of some precious and base metals (Au(III), Pd(II), Pt(IV), Rh(III), Fe(III), Cu(II), Ni(II) and Zn(II)) in HCl solutions was carried out batchwise using the DOLA-IF, MODGA-IF and MODGA-IF. The results of the metal adsorption showed that the selective separation of Au(III), Pd(II) and Pt(IV) can be performed using successively the DOLA-IF, MOTDGA-IF and MODGA-IF.

Changes in Hydrogen Permeability and Microstructure of Melt-Spun Nb₄₀Ti₃₀Ni₃₀ Alloy Ribbons by Annealed: *Yuta Seki¹; Koichi Kita²; Kazuhiro Ishikawa¹; Kiyoshi Aoki¹; ¹Kitami Institute of Technology; ²Mitsubishi Materials Corporation*

Pd-Ag based hydrogen permeation alloys are mainly used for separation and purification of hydrogen gas. However, since Pd is too expensive and a rare metal, it is strongly desired to develop non-Pd based alloys. The Nb-TiNi alloys consisting of the bcc-(Nb, Ti) and the B2-TiNi phase show high hydrogen permeability equivalent to that of pure Pd. However, its membrane is prepared by means of complex processes such as cold rolling and intermediate annealing. On the other hand, it is well known that alloy ribbons can at a stroke be obtained by a melt-spinning technique. In the present work, hydrogen permeability, crystal structures and microstructures of melt spun Nb-TiNi alloy ribbons before and after annealing treatments are investigated in order to develop the preparation method of alloy membrane, and it was concluded that melt-spinning technique is effective for the preparation of the Nb-TiNi hydrogen permeation alloy membrane.

Characterization and Research of Nano-Meter ZnO by X-Ray Diffraction: *Cheng Guofeng¹; ¹Shanghai Institute of Ceramics*

The microstructures (average crystallite size and stacking faults probability) and the doped effects of the nano-meter ZnO have been characterized and researched using separating multip-broadening effects method improved by author. The results are following: (1) The crystallite size of studied two group samples are a few hundreds and several nano-meter respectively. The crystallite shape of the two groups ZnO samples nearly are the same polohedron, but the difference among them can be characterized by. (2) The method for separating two-fold and three-fold broadening effects of closed packing hexagonal is not used to the nano-meter ZnO samples, because the selective broadening effects is also not obviously. (3) The selective broadening effects of stacking faults may be ignored, because the stacking faults probability of the two groups ZnO samples is very small.

Measuring Enhanced Elevated Temperature Deformation Using Spark Plasma Sintering Equipment: *Dustin Hulbert¹; Dongtao Jiang¹; Amiya Mukherjee¹; ¹University of California*

A fully dense nanocrystalline ceramic consisting of ZrO2, Al2O3 and MgAl2O4 was deformed at 1150°C at a strain rate on the order of 10⁻² s⁻¹. Spark plasma sintering was used in this study as a means of consolidation as well as for measuring elevated temperature deformation. By using the constitutive equation for elevated temperature plasticity in conjunction with previously measured strain rate sensitivities and activation energies a strain rate on the order of 10⁻⁶ s⁻¹ is predicted at 1150°C. This strain rate is four orders of magnitude slower than that measured using the spark plasma sintering equipment. This suggests some significant enhancement of the kinetics of deformation garnered by the pulsing electric field found inside the SPS chamber.

Elastic-Plastic Stress and Deformation Analysis of Annular Plates under Prescribed Radial Loading: Ahmed Elkholy¹; Abdulazim Falah¹; ¹Kuwait University

A modified form of constitutive equation for an isotropic elastic-plastic deformation of circular plates subjected to radial tensile loading on the inner surface is introduced. The form takes into consideration the effect of rotation of various principal axes and material hardening during the process of continued deformation. Plastic instability analysis of plates is carried out to determine stresses at the onset of cavity formation. Both symmetric and antisymmetric modes of deformation are determined. It was found out that the modified form which is derived in this study leads to deformation stresses which are lower than those obtained when classical plasticity relations are used, and therefore, are comparable with the results obtained experimentally. It is found also that deformation is asymmetric with respect to the plate axis and depends not only on the stress in the current state but also on the prescribed incremental traction ratio and material properties.

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Modeling the Influence of Microstructure on Multi-Site Fatigue Damage Evolution in AA7075: Stephen Sintay¹; Joe Fridy²; John Brockenbrough²; Anthony Rollett¹; Hasso Weiland²; ¹Carnegie Mellon University; ²Alcoa, Inc.

Fatigue crack nucleation and growth in AA7075 is observed to be directly correlated with constituent particles. Given the relatively high volume fraction of such particles, and the spectrum fatigue loading experienced by in service aerospace components, it becomes increasingly difficult to answer questions such as; Where and when will fatigue cracks initiate? What is the distribution of cycles required to grow a crack of a certain size? What is the distribution of cracks at a certain number of cycles? and What role does microstructure play in the incubation, nucleation, and growth of fatigue cracks? The goal of this presentation is to outline the progress and strategy of a set of modeling tools designed to explore the influence of microstructure on fatigue damage evolution.

Crack Initiation in AA7050 Due to Cyclic Fatigue: Jonathan LeDonne¹; ¹Carnegie Mellon University

The fatigue life of aerospace aluminum alloys is governed primarily by crack initiation, which is accelerated by the presence particles in the microstructure. Although much is known qualitatively about the relationships between fatigue life and the size of microstructural features, quantitative models suffer because of the lack of detailed microstructural data. Characteristics of coarse constituent particles are investigated for AA7050. Size distributions of second phase particles are characterized. The sizes and positions of particles are analyzed for 2-dimensional orthogonal sections, which are then used for reconstruction of a 3-dimensional microstructure of particles. The conversion assumes that the particles can be approximated as ellipsoids. Fracture surfaces are also investigated to establish a defined fatigue crack-initiating feature. The results are compared to previous results on AA7075.

Multiscale Characterization of Subsurfaces Produced by Dry Sliding Wear: Wenjun Cai¹; Jung Singh¹; Pascal Bellon¹; ¹University of Illinois

Frictional wear resulting from the dry sliding of two metallic bodies under applied load leads to the formation of complex microstructures. Using

a high performance Cu-Ni-Sn bronze as a test material, we combine pin-on-disc wear measurements with SEM and TEM characterization of subsurface microstructures. The sustained plastic deformation produces layers ranging from severely plastically deformed to nanocrystalline layer in the top few microns. SEM and SEM-EBSD are employed to identify these layers, to quantify the strain and strain-rate, and to analyze the crystallographic texture of these layers. Twinning is found to be a significant deformation mode near the surface. Comprehensive TEM analysis combining imaging, nanodiffraction, EDS, EELS, HAADF provides further information at the nanoscale on the structure and chemistry of these layers. A Taylor model is applied to simulate the evolution of the subsurface textures under sliding. Consequences on the design of materials with optimized wear resistance are discussed.

Fatigue Crack Propagation in E319 Cast Aluminum Alloy at Ultrasonic and Conventional Frequencies: Xiaoxia Zhu¹; J. Wayne Jones¹; John Allison²; ¹University of Michigan; ²Ford Motor Company

The fatigue crack propagation behavior of E319 cast aluminum alloy was studied by using both ultrasonic and conventional fatigue techniques in order to understand the potential effect of frequency on fatigue behavior of cast aluminum alloys. Fatigue cracks grew faster at 30 Hz than at 20 kHz in air at both 20 and 250°C. The effect of frequency on the fatigue crack growth rates at all temperatures can be attributed to an environmental effect, particularly the effect of water vapor. For E319, fatigue crack growth rates at a given ΔK increased with increasing water exposure, P/f , until saturation the environment effect occurred. This behavior was characterized by an environmental superposition model for fatigue crack growth. Based on this model, fatigue crack growth rates over the entire range of ΔK in various environments with different water exposure can be predicted and the predictions generally agreed well with the experimental observations.

Using Marked and Unmarked Correlations to Investigate Interactions of Microstructure Attributes in Fatigue of Titanium Alloys and Nickel Superalloys: Craig Przybyla¹; David McDowell¹; ¹Georgia Institute of Technology

Much work has gone into identifying various mechanisms of fatigue crack initiation, but it is still not well known how interactions of microstructure attributes (e.g., grain/phase morphology, orientation/misorientation, etc.) either inhibit or promote fatigue damage. We explore how correlations of various microstructure attributes differ between larger microstructure "representative" volumes and "marked" volumes from fatigue initiation sites identified in physical fatigue specimens of Ti6246 and Rene 88. In addition, new variants of previously described marked correlation functions are employed to explore probabilities of correlations between certain microstructure attributes marked by the magnitudes of the Fatemi-Socie fatigue indicator parameter (which can indicate localized susceptibility to fatigue crack initiation due to microplasticity) calculated using finite element simulations in a microstructure-sensitive constitutive formulation. Linking correlations of microstructure attributes and a fatigue response parameter in this way provides a potentially effective framework to identify the interactions between attributes that either promote or inhibit fatigue damage.

Atomistic Simulations of Dislocation Nucleation in Copper Grain Boundaries under Uniaxial Tension and Compression: Garritt Tucker¹; Mark Tschopp²; David McDowell¹; ¹Georgia Institute of Technology; ²Air Force Research Laboratories/Universal Technology Corporation

Atomistic simulations are used to investigate how grain boundary structure influences dislocation nucleation under uniaxial tension and compression for a specific class of symmetric tilt grain boundaries that contain the E structural unit. After obtaining the minimum energy grain boundary structure, molecular dynamics was employed based on an embedded-atom method potential for Cu at 10 K. Simulation results show that higher nucleation stresses are required in uniaxial compression than in tension. Additionally, analysis of the dislocation nucleation mechanisms show several differences between tension and compression. For instance, partial dislocations are nucleated in tension and full dislocations are nucleated in compression. The tension-compression asymmetry in mechanisms and responses can be partially explained by the resolved stress components on the slip plane on which the dislocation nucleates.

Effect of Interfacial Dislocation Structure on Yield Strength of Nanostructured Metallic Multilayer Thin Films: Qizhen Li¹; ¹University of Nevada, Reno

Metallic multilayer thin films with the nanoscale layer thickness attract great research interest due to their high hardness and strength. The multilayer system studied here is composed of alternating A and B phases with FCC structure and cube-on-cube orientation relationship. A and B have the same layer thickness. A three dimensional cellular automaton dislocation model is used to study the yield strength of this multilayer system. Different interfacial dislocation structures are investigated in the model for the metallic multilayer thin films with different layer thicknesses ranging from several nanometers to hundreds of nanometers. The result will illustrate the influence of interfacial dislocation structure on yield strength of multilayer systems with different layer thickness.

Damage Mechanisms of High Chromium Iron Used in Work Rolls of Hot Rolling Mills: Christian Krempaszky¹; Wenge Zhang¹; Ewald Werner¹; ¹Technical University-Munich

Hot-rolled steel sheets used in automotive applications have to meet high surface quality demands and therefore rolled-in scale often cannot be tolerated. Rolled-in scale is correlated to the deterioration of the work-roll's surface in the first stands of the finishing train. It is established that this deterioration is a result of discontinuous wear, a phenomenon called banding, caused by the thermomechanical loads and the tribochemical environment. By characterization of the complex thermomechanical loads acting on hot rolling mill work-rolls, a special cyclic loading path with mixed load/displacement control modes is employed to simulate the thermomechanical behavior of the work-roll material via a series of laboratory low cycle fatigue (LCF) tests. With increasing load level the cyclic maximum residual tensile stress increases during cyclic deformation, while the fatigue lifetime decreases. These laboratory tests are useful to explain the mechanisms and conditions responsible for surface deterioration and to optimize the process.

Fatigue Life Prediction under Ranking of Heterogeneity Scales in Ni-Base Superalloys: Sushant Jha¹; Michael Caton²; James Larsen²; ¹Universal Technology Corporation; ²US Air Force Research Laboratory

A probabilistic life-prediction approach for powder-processed Ni-Base superalloys is presented. Integral to this approach is the premise that several levels of heterogeneous deformation can develop for any given microstructure and fatigue loading. In the present Ni-Base superalloys, these levels are related to randomly occurring microstructural features such as the non-metallic particle, the void, and certain local configurations of the γ grains. The probability of failure from a heterogeneity scale and the associated lifetime decrease in the order of the increasing scale. The lower-tail response is limited by crack growth due to the probability of instant crack initiation from a suitably higher heterogeneity level. This appears to produce a separation, with a decrease in the stress level, of the mean-lifetime behavior which tends to be controlled by the smaller (and more prevalent) heterogeneity scale and the crack-growth-controlled lower-tail which is governed by a larger (and less frequent) scale.

Microscopic Material Units Governing the Macroscopic Fatigue Behaviour of Cold Drawn Eutectoid Steel: Jesús Toribio¹; Beatriz González¹; Juan Carlos Matos¹; ¹University of Salamanca

This paper analyzes how the cold drawing process influences the fatigue behaviour of eutectoid steel. Macroscopically, the analysis is focussed on the region II (Paris) of the fatigue behaviour in which $da/dN=C(\Delta K)^m$, measuring the constants (C and m) for the different degrees of drawing. From the engineering point of view, the manufacturing process by cold drawing improves the fatigue behaviour of the steels, since the fatigue crack growth rate decreases as the strain hardening level in the material increases. From the microscopical viewpoint, fatigue cracks are transcollonial and exhibit a preference for fracturing pearlitic lamellae, with non-uniform crack opening displacement values, micro-discontinuities, branchings, bifurcations and frequent local deflections that create microstructural roughness. The net fatigue surface increases with cold drawing due to the higher angle of crack deflections.

Damage of APS-TBCs in Thermomechanical Fatigue Tests: Tilmann Beck¹; Olena Trunova¹; Rolf Willi Steinbrech¹; Roland Herzog²; Lorenz Singheiser¹; ¹Research Center Juelich; ²MAN Turbo AG

Thermal barrier coatings (TBCs) are applied to gas turbine blades to increase maximum service temperature. The performance of TBCs under thermomechanical fatigue (TMF) is governed by the TMF cycle, the thermal mismatch between TBC and substrate, and microstructural changes (e.g. sintering of the TBC, oxide scale growth, interdiffusion processes). In the present work a TBC system comprising air plasma sprayed $ZrO_2/8wt.-% Y_2O_3$ with NiCoCrAlY bond coat on CMSX-4 substrate was subjected to out-of-phase TMF with different high temperature dwell times and mechanical load amplitudes. Some specimens were pre-oxidised before TMF testing. TMF without dwell time resulted in fatigue failure of the base material. Pre-oxidation before TMF testing with the same cycle did not significantly change the failure behaviour. However, sufficient long dwell times lead to TBC spallation before fatigue cracking of the base material. The oxidation and fatigue related processes of crack formation and propagation under TMF loading are discussed.

Effect of Plastic Strain on NiTi-Based Shape Memory Alloys: Qizhen Li¹; ¹University of Nevada, Reno

NiTi-based shape memory alloys (SMAs) attract great research interest and have broad applications including actuators, electric switches, pipe couplings, mobile phone antennas, eyeglass frames, dental braces, etc, due to their good mechanical properties. Like human muscles, the SMAs will endure overloading and be deformed plastically in service. It is important to understand how the plastically deformed SMAs will behave subsequently. Mechanical and shape memory properties will be studied for the SMAs with different plastic strains. The results will provide the knowledge about the amount of plastic strain the SMAs can bear.

Surface Stress-Induced Phase Transformations and Shape Memory Effect in Pd Nanowires: Jijun Lao¹; Dorel Moldovan¹; ¹Louisiana State University

Recent experimental and atomistic simulation studies have demonstrated the existence of structural reorientations and shape memory effect (SME) in various metallic face-centered-cubic (fcc) nanowires. Here we use molecular dynamics simulations to investigate the surface-stress-induced phase transformations in Pd crystalline nanowires. For a $\langle 100 \rangle$ initial crystal orientation and wire cross section areas below 4 nm² we show that the surface stress can cause Pd nanowires to undergo a structural reorientation from an initial fcc structure to a body-centered-tetragonal (bct) structure. The simulations also indicate the existence of SME in Pd nanowires which is associated with the existence of a reversible fcc to bct phase transformation. Under tensile loading and unloading the Pd nanowires exhibit recoverable strains of up to 50%; value that is well beyond the typical recoverable strain for most bulk shape memory alloys.

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Contribution of Texture and Grain Size to Hall-Petch Relation of a Wrought Magnesium Alloy AZ31: Jun Tao¹; Jingtao Wang¹; Deliang Yin¹; Jinqiang Liu¹; ¹Nanjing University of Science and Technology, Department of Materials Science and Engineering

Because of the mixed contribution from both texture and grain size to mechanical properties of wrought Mg alloys, there was a confusion on the slope of Hall-Petch relation of wrought magnesium alloys, especially in

those processed by equal channel angular pressing (ECAP). The experiment is designed in this investigation so that the effect of texture and grain size on yield strength of an AZ31 alloy could be clearly separated. It is concluded that Hall-Petch relation holds valid for the effect of grain size on yield strength in the experimental alloy, as long as no significant difference in the texture of the samples with different grain size. The effect of crystallographic texture on yield strength manifests itself by the different interception on stress axis of Hall-Petch lines with significant difference in texture intensity.

Corrosion and Fretting Wear Behaviour on UFG Ti-13Nb-13Zr Alloy in Ringer's Solution: Anbarasan Viswanathan¹; Geetha Manivasagam¹; C. Richard²; Sathyam Suwas³; R. Asokamani¹; C. Kowandy²; J. Landoulsi²; ¹Vellore Institute of Technology-University; ²Université de Technologie de Compiègne; ³Indian Institute of Science

Corrosion and wear are the prime consideration for a biomaterial that is to be used in the human body, because metal ion released mainly associated with toxicity of surgical implants and can adversely affect the biocompatibility and mechanical integrity. Earlier works clearly indicate that refinement of grain size may enhance the corrosion and mechanical properties in comparison with coarse grain (CG) counterparts. Hence in this work we have attempted to study the corrosion and fretting wear behavior of ultra fine grain (UFG) Ti-13Nb-13Zr developed by Equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) process in simulated body fluid (Ringer's solution). Potentiodynamic anodic polarization and open circuit potential were used to evaluate the corrosion behavior of UFG Ti-13Nb-13Zr in simulated body fluid at 37°C. In addition, fretting wear behavior of UFG Ti-13Nb-13Zr alloys against bearing steel is also evaluated. The results of the corrosion and fretting wear studies will be presented in this paper.

Deformation and Fracture of AZ31 Magnesium Alloy during Equal Channel Angular Pressing: Feng Kang¹; Jing Tao Wang¹; Yong Peng¹; ¹Nanjing University of Science and Technology

The deformation and fracture characteristics of AZ31 magnesium alloy during equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) were established. The isothermal behavior of AZ31 magnesium alloy was determined at temperatures between 150 and 250°C and ram speeds producing average effective strain rates between 0.001 and 0.25s⁻¹. AZ31 magnesium alloy was particularly susceptible to shear localization during ECAP, uniform flow occurred only at high temperatures and low strain rates. Observations of shear banding and shear fracture were interpreted in terms of the tendency for strain concentration as quantified by the flow localization parameter, or the ratio of the normalized flow softening rate to the strain-rate sensitivity. These understandings of the effect of material properties on flow localization tendency are helpful for the selection of processing parameters with uniform flow during ECAP.

Deformation Behavior of Nanocrystalline Metals and Alloys Investigated by Mini-Tensile Test: Lilia Kurmanaeva¹; Yulia Ivanisenko¹; Jörg Weismüller¹; Jürgen Markmann²; Ruslan Valiev³; Hans-Jörg Fecht⁴; ¹Forschungszentrum Karlsruhe GmbH; ²Universität des Saarlandes; ³Ufa State Aviation Technical University; ⁴University of Ulm

The recent past has seen an increasing interest in studies of mechanical properties of nanocrystalline materials (nc). NC materials offer wide application as structural materials thanks to their outstanding mechanical properties. A novel method for the preparation of bulk nanocrystalline materials with a grain size <30 nm using the combination of inert gas condensation and subsequent high pressure torsion was developed. Here, we present results on a comprehensive investigation of the microstructure and mechanical properties of nanocrystalline metals and alloys, namely Pd and Pd-Au, with a mean grain size of 15 nm. Microstructure was investigated by Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM). Mechanical properties of the obtained specimens were studied in tensile test using a dedicated tensile machine for miniature specimens. It was shown that nanocrystalline Pd and Pd-Au alloy exhibits a very high yield stress and a microhardness with sufficient ductility. The obtained results of mechanical properties and microstructure are discussed.

Microstructure and Mechanical Properties of Nanostructured Metal Matrix Composites: Timothy Lin¹; Fei Zhou¹; Quan Yan¹; Chunfu Tan¹; Bob Liu¹; Adolphus McDonald²; ¹Aegis Technology Inc.; ²U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command

Over last few years Al-based nanostructured metal matrix composites (NMMCs) has attracted increasing interests because of their great potentials in strength enhancement. Presently Aegis Technology is developing a novel class of NMMCs funded by U.S. Army Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) project, "Light-weight Material for Ballistic Armor". This class of NMMCs, which is based on submicron SiC particulates reinforced nanostructured Al alloy matrix, can be used for not only lightweight armors but also lightweight structures (e.g. anti-wear engine components). Aegis has successfully developed a cost-effective, scalable processing route for the fabrication of NMMCs plates, billets and near-net-shape components. In this poster, Aegis will report its detailed investigations on the characterization of the NMMCS, including (1) Microstructures using TEM, SEM and X-Ray, and (2) Mechanical properties (Tensile, compression, fatigue, fracture toughness, creep and ballistic penetration). These investigations will provide a solid foundation for the further development of this class of NMMCs for a variety of potential applications.

Flow Properties of an Aluminum Alloy Processed by Equal Channel Angular Pressing: Sivaraman Arjunan¹; Uday Chakkingal¹; ¹Indian Institute of Technology Madras

Equal Channel Angular Pressing (ECAP) process is an important process for producing ultra fine grained microstructures in bulk metals and alloys. The microstructures developed after ECAP represent high energy configurations; hence they are inherently unstable and susceptible to flow softening depending upon strain paths employed in subsequent deformation. In the present work aluminum alloy AA 6063 samples were subjected to ECA pressing for up to three passes with a die angle of 105 degree. Compression testing was used to determine the subsequent flow behaviour. Two types of compression test specimen orientations; one parallel to the axis of pressed sample and the other at 45 degree to the axis of the pressed sample were used for the study. The flow curves were plotted and comparative flow properties, flow softening and anisotropic behavior have been studied with respect to number of passes and processing routes. These are correlated to the observed microstructures.

Forging Parameter Effects on the Mechanical Behavior of Cryomilled Al 5083: Troy Topping¹; Byungmin Ahn²; A. Newbery³; Enrique Lavernia¹; ¹University of California, Davis; ²University of Southern California; ³MillStrong Ultra, LLC

Aluminum alloys with nanocrystalline (NC) and ultra-fine grain (UFG) size are of immense interest because of their high strength – typically 30% stronger than conventionally processed alloys of the same composition. For this study, the microstructure and mechanical behavior of UFG Al 5083 plate, produced by the quasi-isostatic forging of cryomilled powder, has been investigated and compared to coarse-grained Al 5083 - in particular, the ability to strengthen the UFG material further by tuning the forging parameters. Experimental forging parameters were used on six plates with approximate dimensions of 10" in diameter and 0.75" in thickness. The effort focuses on increasing strength through reduced grain growth during processing, while maintaining ductility by breaking up prior particle boundaries (PPBs) with high forging pressures. Mechanical tests reveal increased strength in proportion to decreased grain growth, while ductility is maintained at the level of conventional alloys.

Improvement in Both Strength and Ductility in Nanostructured Carbon Steel Produced by High Pressure Torsion and Annealing: Shaohua Xia¹; Lilia Vichiganina²; Jingtao Wang¹; Igor Alexandrov²; Ruslan Valiev²; ¹Nanjing University of Science and Technology; ²Ufa State Aviation Technology University

Nanostructured carbon steels of Fe-0.45%C and Fe-0.65%C were obtained by high pressure torsion and annealing. Combination of high strength and improved uniform elongation was achieved in Fe-0.45%C resulted from formation of bimodal distribution in grain size. By comparing the microstructures and mechanical properties between nanostructured Fe-0.45%C and Fe-0.65%C, we can conclude that in-situ formed micro-meter sized grains in ferrite phase during annealing provide extra strain hardening ability to sustain the uniform elongation as their coarse-grained counterpart. Estimation of the relationship

between volume fraction of micro-meter sized grains and mechanical properties in bimodal steel was also made by associated analysis of results from previous investigations in low carbon steel processed by equal channel angular pressing and annealing.

Improving the Superplastic Properties of an AZ31 Magnesium Alloy by Equal-Channel Angular Pressing: Roberto Figueiredo¹; Terence Langdon¹;

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The interest in improving the properties of magnesium alloys has led to the development of technology to refine the grain structure especially through the use of severe plastic deformation. In the present paper, extruded billets of a commercial alloy, AZ31, were processed by Equal-Channel Angular Pressing (ECAP). Optical microscopy and tensile tests were used to evaluate the grain structure and high temperature mechanical properties in order to determine the effect of processing by ECAP. An analysis of grain structure shows that ECAP effectively reduces the average grain size to the range of a few micrometers. High temperature tensile tests demonstrate that ECAP reduces the flow stress of the AZ31 alloy and improves the strain rate sensitivity and the elongation to failure. Superplastic elongations up to more than 1000% were achieved after ECAP with low flow stresses and high strain rate sensitivity.

In-Situ Observation of Deformation of Nanocrystalline Al-Mg Alloy with Bimodal Grain Structure: Byungmin Ahn¹; Enrique Lavarnia²; Steven Nutt¹;

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The tensile properties and deformation response of nanocrystalline Al-Mg alloy (Al 5083) were investigated using a micro-straining unit. Atomized Al 5083 powder was ball-milled in liquid N₂ to obtain a nanocrystalline structure, and blended with 15% unmilled coarse-grained powder to achieve bimodal structure. The blended powder was hot vacuum degassed to remove residual contaminants, consolidated by either cold (CIP) or hot isostatic pressing (HIP), and then forged. The microstructure was observed using an optical microscope. The investigation of tensile and fracture of bimodal structure suggests unusual deformation mechanisms and interactions between ductile coarse-grain bands and nanocrystalline regions.

Mechanical Properties of Ultra Fine Grained Aluminum and Iron Produced by Accumulative Roll Bonding Method: Saeed Tamimi¹; Mostafa Ketabchi¹; Nader Parvin¹;

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This work aims to investigate whether accumulative roll bonding (ARB) is an effective grain refinement technique for ultra-low-carbon steel strips containing 0.002% C and pure aluminum. For this purpose, a number of ARB processes were performed at 500°C for IF and 200°C for pure aluminum, with 50% reduction of each rolling pass. The mechanical properties after rolling were obtained. Aluminum and iron's yield and tensile strengths increased by 200–300%. Variations of hardness along the thickness of the samples were obtained using micro hardness tests. It was found that both the grain size achieved, as well as the degree of bonding, depend on number of rolling pass and reduction of area as a whole. In IF steel, mean grain size was obtained about 300nm. The rolling process was stopped in 7th cycle for pure aluminum and 10th cycle for IF steel, when cracking of the edges became pronounced.

Microstructure and Mechanical Properties of ECAP Processed Two-Phase Zinc-Aluminum (Zn-8%Al) Alloy: Majid Al-Maharbi¹; Mohammed Haouaoui¹; Ibrahim Karaman¹; Gencaga Purcek²;

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A two-phase zinc-aluminum alloy (Zn-8%Al) has been subjected to severe plastic deformation by equal channel angular extrusion (ECAE). The alloy was successfully extruded at homologous temperatures of 0.52 to 0.55 through different strain paths. The as-cast dendritic structure was eliminated and the α -phase particles were fragmented and dispersed more uniformly into the η -matrix leading to a more homogeneous microstructure. TEM micrographs show that grain sizes were significantly reduced to the ultrafine grain (UFG) sizes. An average increase in strength and elongation of about 53% and 1420% of as-cast values was achieved. Noticeable softening was observed after the first pass, and was attributed to chemical composition homogenization occurring with increasing strain level. The homogenization is assisted by the simultaneous long range diffusion and the refinement of the two phases as revealed by EDS and microhardness measurements which show considerable changes in composition and properties of the individual phases after ECAE.

OIM Study of Microstructure and Texture Heterogeneity during ECAP of Copper: Alexander Zhilyaev¹; Azat Gimazov²; Shrinivasan Swaminathan³; Terry McNelley³;

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The heterogeneous deformation of annealed copper subjected to equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) was studied by Orientation Imaging Microscopy. The microstructure and microtexture of a partially pressed Cu billet has been analyzed at the inner and outer corners in the region of the die channel intersection as well as in the middle of the shear zone. Distinctly inhomogeneous deformation of prior annealing twins by interpenetrating slip bands was observed, and some twin-matrix interfaces displayed stair-like offsets. The intense local deformation within the annealing twins is characteristic of dislocation slip and not deformation twinning.

On the Texture Analysis of High Pressure Torsion - Deformed Mg and Cu: Bartłomiej Bonarski¹; Erhard Schafler¹; Michael Zehetbauer¹; Borys Mikulowski¹;

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Polycrystalline pure magnesium (99.8%) and copper (99.99%) have been subjected to High-Pressure Torsion (HPT) at room temperature. A special technique was developed in order to enable the HPT of Mg up to very high shear strains $\gamma \leq 120$ and different hydrostatic pressures (1–8 GPa). The texture development has been analyzed as a function of strain and hydrostatic pressure by systematic X-ray macrotexture investigations and compared with corresponding microhardness measurements. The texture evolution could be described in terms of volume fractions of the following components: (i) {0001}-, {10-11}- and {10-12}- fibres for the case of Mg; (ii) the typical components of shear textures for the case of Cu. From the textures observed, there is evidence for the occurrence of dynamic and static recovery, which turns out to depend not only on the strain but also on the hydrostatic pressure of HPT.

Stored Energy and Recrystallization Temperature of High Purity Copper after Equal Channel Angular Pressing: Yue Zhang¹; Jingtao Wang¹;

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Equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) was conducted at room temperature to impose high strain into high purity copper. Differential Scanning Calorimeter (DSC) was used to estimate the stored energy from ECAP and recrystallization temperature. It was found that the stored energy increases upon ECAP processing until a peak reached at 12 passes, and a slight decrease in stored energy was observed at higher ECAP passes. The recrystallization temperature decreases upon the increase of stored energy up to ~50 J/mol, and reaches a stable value of ~210°C. Partial annealing of an ECAP processed (8 passes) sample by heating to ~185°C at a heating rate of 20°C/min released the stored energy from ~55 J/mol to ~18 J/mol, without substantial change on the recrystallization temperature of the sample. A model was proposed to help understanding the recrystallization mechanism of ultrafine-grained copper and the observations above.

Tailoring the Microstructures of Ultrafine Grained Aluminum through a Two-Step Annealing Process: Naoya Kamikawa¹; Xiaoxu Huang¹; Niels Hansen¹;

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Due to microstructural and textural heterogeneities, annealing of nanostructured metals is difficult to control in order to avoid non-uniform coarsening and recrystallization. The present research demonstrates a method to delay such process by annealing at low temperature before annealing at high temperatures. By this two-step process the structure is homogenized and the stored energy is reduced significantly during the first annealing step. As an example high purity aluminum has been deformed to a total reduction of 98.4% by accumulative roll-bonding at room temperature. Isochronal annealing for 0.5 h of the deformed sample shows initiation of recrystallization at about 200°C. However, when introducing an annealing step for 6 h at 175°C the initiation of non-uniform coarsening and recrystallization is significantly delayed. To underpin these observations the structural evolution has been characterized by TEM, showing that extensive annihilation of low-angle dislocation boundaries characterizes the low-temperature annealing step.

TEM Studies on the Effect of Nature of Precipitates in Al-Li Alloy on Microstructural Evolution during Severe Plastic Deformation: *S. Giribaskar¹; Gouthama¹; ¹Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, Department of Materials and Metallurgical Engineering*

Fundamental research in the area of severe plastic deformation (SPD) focuses on the mechanisms that reduce grain size effectively down to nanometer range in metallic materials. Evolution of microstructure of Al-Li alloy processed by equal channel angular extrusion (ECAE), using redundant strain route B_C is analyzed using transmission electron microscopy (TEM). At initial stages of deformation, layers of elongated subgrains with alternating arrays of equiaxed subgrains are formed. Observations on the effect of precipitates/second phase particles in the sample on the deformation characteristics and their role on the increased degree of grain fragmentation process is highlighted. The nature of the precipitates on the evolution of the microstructure is elucidated. For this purpose, the Al-Li is solutionized, quenched and aged at different temperatures before subjecting to ECAE. It was observed that optimal thermal treatment leads to most effective grain refinement and consequent ultrafine grained material.

The Effect of Deformation History on the Microstructure and Texture of Annealed ECAE Processed Copper: *Ana Erbi¹; Daudi Waryoba¹; Peter Kalu¹; ¹Florida A&M University-Florida State University College of Engineering*

Grain refinement by equal channel angular extrusion (ECAE) has recently attracted attention due to its effectiveness of producing ultrafine-grained structures in bulk materials. In the present investigation, OFHC Copper ECAE processed at room temperature via route B_C (where the billet is rotated 90° in the same direction between consecutive passes) has shown refinement of the grain size to about 1 μm at 4 passes. On the other hand, a billet swaged first to a 30% reduction and ECAE processed to 4 passes shows a lower grain size refinement to about 3 μm. Both deformation history, however, show a similar grain boundary structure, consisting of about 25% high angle grain boundaries (HAGBs) and 75% low angle grain boundaries (LAGBs). The effect of deformation history on the microstructure and texture of these materials is discussed.

Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) Study of the Effect of Machining Parameters on Grain Refinement in Aluminum Alloy Machine Chips: *Lei Dong¹; Judy Schneider¹; ¹Mississippi State University*

The resulting microstructure of machined chips of AA 2195 and AA 2219 were characterized by Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM). By varying the specimen diameter and rotation and feed speed, different strains and strain rates were imposed on the metal during the cutting process. Dependant on the metal cutting conditions, the resulting microstructure was found to contain either elongated or ultra-fine grains. These observations suggest that the grain refinement mechanisms were influenced by the metal cutting or hot working conditions. The use of metal cutting theory is being explored as a basis of quantifying the optimal conditions for grain refinement during the friction stir welding process.

Effect of Strain Rate, and Deformation Temperature on the Microstructure of an Equal Channel Angular Extrusion (ECAE) Processed Ti-6Al-4V Alloy: *Rabindra Mahapatra¹; Shankar Sastry²; ¹Naval Air Systems Command; ²Washington University*

The Ti-6Al-4V alloy was ECAE processed to produce ultra-fine grains of 1-2 μm. The uni-axial compression experiments to simulate forging parameters subsequent to ECAE processing were carried out to elucidate whether, the ultra-fine grained microstructure of the alloy can be sustained after the deformation. The ECAE processed Ti-6Al-4V alloy showed no significant grain growth when deformed at 750°C, at a strain rate of 0.1"/sec., where as when deformed at same temperature, a strain rate of 0.001"/sec., both the recovery and grain growth were observed.

Microstructural Characteristics of Leadframe Cu Alloys after Accumulative Roll Bonding Process: *Chayong Lim¹; Seungzeon Han¹; Seonghee Lee²; ¹Korea Institute of Materials Science; ²Mokpo National University*

Mechanical properties and formation of nano-sized grains in Cu and Cu-Fe-P alloys by accumulative roll bonding (ARB) process were investigated. Nano-sized grains were successfully obtained in OFC and PMC-90 alloys by ARB process after third cycle. Once the 200 nm grains formed, further reduction in the grain size was not observed up to the 8 ARB process cycles. For both alloys, the tensile strength values increased drastically in the initial stage of ARB process.

The tensile strength values of both alloys tended to saturate after the third ARB process cycle. The tensile elongation value greatly decreased by 1 cycle of ARB process due to the strain hardening. After the third cycle of ARB process, each alloy showed a gradual increase in tensile elongation due to the dynamic recovery. For PMC-90 alloy, the strength value is higher than that of OFC due to addition of the alloying elements.

Synthesis of Al-Al₈₅Ni₁₀La₅ Nanocomposites by Mechanical Milling: *Zhihui Zhang¹; Yizhang Zhou¹; Enrique Lavernia¹; ¹University of California, Davis*

Mechanical milling has been widely used to fabricate metal matrix composites and dispersion-strengthened alloys with the advantage of improved dispersion, enhanced interfacial bonding and refined microstructure. This study reports on the synthesis of an Al-Al₈₅Ni₁₀La₅ nanocomposite by milling a mixture of Al (mean particle size ~60 μm) and amorphous Al₈₅Ni₁₀La₅ powder (particle size 10~25 μm) at a cryogenic temperature. The microstructural evolution during the milling process was investigated using XRD, DSC, SEM and TEM. The results show that nanocrystalline Al matrix with a grain size about 26 nm was obtained and the amorphous powder was fractured and homogeneously distributed in the Al matrix with a whisker shape (1~2 μm thick with an aspect ratio of 1~5). The mechanical behavior of the powder and consolidated bulk composite was also discussed.

Texture Analysis of Materials Subjected to Equal Channel Angular Pressing: *Katrina Houston¹; Srinivasan Swaminathan¹; Jianqing Su¹; Terry McNelley¹; ¹Naval Postgraduate School*

The correlation between the microstructure and texture for aluminum alloys processed by equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) has been studied. The microstructure was characterized using optical microscopy, scanning electron microscopy (SEM) and transmission electron microscopy (TEM). The local textures were discerned using orientation imaging microscopy (OIM) and compared to macro-texture measurements made by X-ray diffraction. Specific emphasis has been given to understanding the long-range arrangement of texture variants in the microstructure. The interfaces between texture variants are pre-cursors to high angle boundaries in repetitive ECAP. The microstructure-mechanical property relations were also examined.

The Relationship between Work Hardening and Grain Size Distribution in Ultrafine Grained Materials: *Babak Raeisinaia¹; Warren Poole¹; Chad Sinclair¹; ¹University of British Columbia*

One anticipates the mechanical response of ultrafine grained materials to be sensitive to heterogeneity arising from a grain size distribution. In the limit of bimodal distributions, experiments appear to support this assertion. For a given strength level, experiments have shown that improvements in uniform elongation can be obtained via manipulating the size distribution. The conclusion is that the grain size distribution can affect both the yielding and the work hardening behaviour. In this work, the role of grain size distribution on the macroscopic properties of ultrafine grained materials has been examined. This is interpreted based on the partitioning of stress and strain between grains within the framework of a self-consistent approach. This approach extends recent efforts focused on yielding to look at the fully plastic work hardening response of polycrystals. The results of this approach are compared with the experimental tensile response of example materials exhibiting heterogeneous microstructures.

Three Pass Twist Extrusion of Pure Aluminum 1100: Experimental Approach: *Amir Reza Shahabi¹; S. Akbari Mousavi¹; ¹University of Tehran, University College of Engineering, School of Metallurgy and Materials Engineering*

Equal channel angular press (ECAP) and Twist extrusion (TE) are two promising types of Severe Plastic Deformation (SPD) methods in order to produce bulk nano-structured materials. TE process has its own profits in comparison to ECAP such as achieving to nanostructure in less number of passes. In this study, three simultaneous counterclockwise twists were performed on the annealed pure Al of type 1100 samples at room temperature and without any inter pass annealing. In order to evaluate the effects of TE, mechanical and metallurgical properties of the nano-Al produced by the twist extrusion process were examined. The results show that the ultimate tensile strength of the nano Al is almost three times greater than that of the original one. In addition, the ductility of the nano Al reduced 58% and the hardness increased 85% approximately. Moreover, the metallographic inspection of the sample is carried out. The study shows the grain

size non uniformity across the cross section of the sample in longitudinal and transversal directions. This matter may be attributed to the difference of mode of deformation from pure shear to simple shear in cross section.

Three Pass Twist Extrusion of Pure Aluminum 1100: Numerical Simulation Approach: *S. Akbari Mousavi*¹; Amir Reza Shahab¹; ¹University of Tehran, University College of Engineering, School of Metallurgy and Materials Engineering

Reviewing lots of articles, it has been approved that Finite Element Method (FEM) is a powerful mean in order to predict and optimize metal forming techniques include more modern ones such as Severe Plastic Deformation (SPD) methods. Equal channel angular press (ECAP) and Twist extrusion (TE) are two promising types in order to produce bulk nano-structured materials. FEM has addressed well for ECAP but its ability for TE process is not so definite yet. In TE process the cubic bulk of material goes through a 90 degree clock or anticlockwise twisted channel die for a couple of turns. In this study, the simulation of three consecutive anticlockwise passes is presented using an explicit finite element method with ABAQUS software. Suitable constitutive relations are used to describe the behavior of Al 1100 during deformation at room temperature. The flow of three simultaneous clockwise twists is presented using von Mises stress and effective plastic strain contours. The positions of the maximum and minimum values of effective strain and von Mises stress are determined and their profile histories are obtained. The average values of equivalent plastic strains at the end of first, second and third simultaneous passes are found to be 1.5, 2.5 and 3, approximately. The mode of deformation also changes from center to corner of the cross section from pure shear to simple shear.

Continuous Equal-Channel Angular Pressing for Producing Long Nanostructured Ti Semi-Products: *Georgy Raab*¹; Yuntian Zhu²; Terry Lowe²; Ruslan Valiev¹; ¹Ufa State Aviation Technical University; ²Los Alamos National Laboratory

We have analyzed major factors that influence the formation of ultrafine-grained structure and evaluated the effectiveness of a continuous equal-channel angular pressing (ECAP) method, ECAP-Conform, for producing nanostructured CP-Ti long rods. In this work we have built a pilot ECAP-Conform machine to process rods with length up to 3 m and diameter up to 7.5 mm. The nanostructured Ti rods produced here have superior strength and fatigue properties, which is of great interest to advanced medical applications in stomatology and traumatology.

Mechanisms of Deformation and Refinement of Grains in Metals by Severe Plastic Deformation: *Georgy Raab*¹; Farid Utyashev²; ¹Ufa State Aviation Technical University; ²Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute for Metals Superplasticity Problems

Grains refinement is considered as an effect of mechanisms of fragments boundaries and bands formation as a result of crystallographic and non-crystallographic shears at bending and/or torsion of a sample. During ECAP and HPT the sample's bending-torsion in a localized deformation center grows and that leads to a non-monotonic deformation and an increase in the angular misorientations of boundaries of the formed bands and fragments. It was shown that the depth of structure refinement depends on the contributions of the required mechanisms in total strain that depend, in their turn, on a scale factor – the dimensions of the deformation center and sample.

Microstructure Refinement of Ti-6Al-4V Titanium Alloy during Warm Deformation: *Sergey Zhrebtsov*¹; Maria Murzinova¹; Sergey Mironov¹; Alexander Pshenichnuk¹; Gennady Salishchev¹; Lee Semiatin²; ¹Institute for Metals Superplasticity Problems; ²Air Force Research Laboratory, Materials and Manufacturing Directorate, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base

Microstructure evolution and mechanical behaviour of Ti-6Al-4V titanium alloy during uniaxial compression at 600°C to a height strain of 70% has been investigated. Initially the alloy has a lamellar microstructure. During deformation lamellar microstructure transforms into globular one with a grain size of around 0.4 micrometers. Mechanical behavior of the material is described by the deformation curve with strengthening, softening and steady state flow stage. The microstructure evolution with emphasis on grain boundaries misorientation and mutual turn of alpha and beta phases has been studied. The orientation of phases was determined by means of the EBSD-technique and so-called "single-

reflex" method which based on computation of microdiffraction patterns. It have been revealed that transformation of lamellar microstructure into globular one is associated with loss of coherence of interphase boundaries. As soon as the coherence is lost the deformation localizes within each phase intensifying division of the lamellae into equiaxial fragments.

Room Temperature Relaxation in Copper under High Pressure Torsion Detected by In-Situ Synchrotron Diffraction: *Askar Kilmametov*¹; Gavin Vaughan²; Alain Yavari³; Ruslan Valiev¹; ¹Ufa State Aviation Technical University; ²European Synchrotron Radiation Facilities; ³Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble

Structural relaxation in severely deformed Cu has been investigated in real time diffraction experiments at room temperature during in situ high pressure torsion (HPT) in high energy synchrotron light. Simultaneous relative changes in Bragg peak's broadening and crystal lattice expansion were under study in loading-unloading regime of torsion straining. Experimental results are consistent with the attribution of the annihilation of crystalline defects generated during HPT. Relaxation kinetics assumed to be controlled by diffusion; therefore the enhanced diffusivity has been estimated due to extremely high excess vacancy concentration, which is typical for those at thermal equilibrium near the melting point.

Superplastic Ultrafine-Grained Sheet Produced out of the Al-Li-Mg-Sc Alloy with Enhanced Mechanical Properties Introduced by ECAP and Rolling: *Nina Yunusova*¹; Rinat Islamgaliev¹; Nikolay Krasilnikov²; Gulnaz Nurislamova; Ruslan Valiev¹; ¹Ufa State Aviation Technical University; ²Ulyanovsk State University

ECAP at elevated temperatures was applied to produce bulk textureless billets with equiaxed grains with a size less than 1 µm in size out of Al-Li-Mg-Sc alloy. The billets demonstrated the effect of high-strain-rate (10⁻¹ s⁻¹) superplasticity (780%) at a relatively low (400°C) temperature. The sheet fabricated out of the billet by warm rolling retained its equiaxed structure with minor grain refinement and exhibited superplasticity with elongation 530% at the same temperature and the strain rate equal to 10⁻² s⁻¹, when compared to the ductility (80%) of a sheet fabricated out of a coarse-grained billet. Short-time annealing of the superplastic sheet at a temperature of solid solution treatment with subsequent aging allowed to use potential of UFG structure and dispersion hardening to achieve very high UTS (690 MPa) retaining the initial ductility.

The Influence of Impurities on Structure and Mechanical Properties of Nanostructured Titanium: *Rinat Islamgaliev*¹; Vil Kazyhanov¹; Askar Kilmametov¹; Alfred Sharafutdinov¹; Ruslan Valiev¹; ¹Ufa State Aviation Technical University

High pressure torsion (HPT) is a well established severe plastic deformation technique for producing nanostructured metallic materials. Using new HPT installation we have investigated the microstructure (grain size, content of omega-phase) and mechanical properties of commercially pure titanium with different content of impurities (VT1-00, VT1-0, Grade 4) processed at various HPT regimes. It was found that content of high pressure omega-phase depends strongly on purity of initial material influencing on strength, ductility and thermal stability of grain structure. Special attention has been paid to investigation of the influence of thermomechanical treatments on nanostructure and mechanical properties.

Influence of Phase Separation on the Mechanical Properties of Pre-Oxidized PM 2000 Alloy: *Carlos Capdevila-Montes*¹; Michael Miller²; Jesus Chao¹; Jose Gonzalez-Carrasco¹; ¹Centro Nacional de Investigaciones Metalurgicas (CENIM-CSIC); ²Oak Ridge National Laboratory

In the last few years, the ultrafine-grained Fe-based oxide dispersion strengthened (ODS) PM 2000 alloy has been shown to be a viable biomaterial as result of its outstanding combination of mechanical properties and corrosion resistance. After pre-oxidation at 1100°C and phase separation upon aging at 475°C, the room temperature tensile and fatigue properties are suitable for achieving the required biofunctionality for load-bearing implants. Atom probe tomography has revealed that phase separation into Fe-rich alpha and Cr-enriched alpha-prime phases is responsible for the increases in the yield and ultimate tensile strength. However, despite the loss of some ductility, PM 2000 shows ductile behaviour in the necked zone of tensile specimens. This ductility contrasts with the brittle failure observed during the so-called "475°C embrittlement" of other

ferritic alloys. Moreover, PM 2000 aged at 475°C exhibits a higher fatigue limit than that of unaged pre-oxidised material.

Microstructure and Mechanical Properties of Nanocrystalline Fe-C Alloys Processed by Mechanical Milling and Spark Plasma Sintering: *Keiichiro Ohishi*¹; Bonta Rao²; Kazuhiro Hono¹; ¹National Institute for Materials Science; ²University of Tsukuba

Bulk nanocrystalline Fe-C alloys containing different carbon contents were fabricated by mechanical milling and spark plasma sintering (SPS). The samples consolidated by SPS at temperatures in the range of 650-675°C exhibited a good combination of strength and plastic strain in compression. The values of yield and maximum compressive strengths increased with carbon content, while the plastic strains decreased. The microstructure has been characterized using transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and a three-dimensional atom probe (3DAP) to understand the origin of the unusually high yield strength and plastic strain. A bimodal grain structure consisting of fine and coarse grains was observed for all the samples showing high strength and plastic strain. The fine grained region was found to be a duplex phase structure comprised of ferrite and cementite grains. From TEM and 3DAP analyses, the presence of fine oxide particles containing chromium was confirmed.

Microstructure and Mechanical Properties of Ultra Fine Grained Cu-Al and Cu-Zn Alloys: *Martin Heilmair*¹; V. Subramanya Sarma²; ¹Otto Von Guericke University; ²Indian Institute of Technology Madras

Recent studies on ultrafine grained (ufg) electro-deposited Cu containing controlled densities of nanoscale twins revealed a unique combination of very high yield strength (≈ 850 MPa) and good tensile ductility ($\approx 14\%$). Here we aim at producing bulk Cu-5wt.%Zn and Cu-5wt.%Al alloys with ufg matrix and controlled densities of nano/sub-micron twins through varying (i) alloying additions (reducing the stacking fault energy SFE compared to pure Cu), (ii) deformation (rolling) temperatures and (iii) annealing treatments. Grain sizes were found in the range of 0.6 to 1.2 μm (including twin boundaries in the evaluation). The Cu-Al alloy shows significantly improved strength in comparison to the Cu-Zn alloy at tensile comparable ductilities $>30\%$. This is attributed to the much stronger contribution of Al to solid solution strengthening. Contrary, the yield stress dependence on grain size is much stronger for Cu-Zn. Possible reasons will be discussed incorporating strain rate sensitivity tests to understand the deformation mechanisms.

Microstructure of a FeCoV Alloy after Equal Channel Angular Pressing and Tempering: *Zhongze Du*¹; *Jingtao Wang*²; *Qingjuan Wang*¹; ¹Xi'an University of Architecture and Technology; ²Nanjing University of Science and Technology

Equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) of a FeCoV alloy was carried out at room temperature via route A up to 4 passes. The microstructure of the FeCoV alloy after ECAP and subsequent tempering were characterized by transmission electron microscopy (TEM). The FeCoV alloy transformed into a fine lath structure with the width of lath decreasing obviously with ECAP passes. The average width of lathes was 90nm after four passes of ECAP, with dislocation tangles inside the lath. These lath structure would break and transform into a fine lath, when increasing ECAP passes. Although tempering after four passes ECAP had little effect on its lath shape of the microstructure, carbide particles and nanometer precipitates appeared inside the lathes after tempering, indicating the decomposition of the microstructure.

Direct Metal Particulate Production Using Modulation-Assisted Machining: *James Mann*¹; Chris Saldana¹; Srinivasan Chandrasekar¹; W. Compton¹; Kevin Trumble¹; ¹Purdue University

Continuous production of Al 6061-T6 particulate using modulation-assisted machining (MAM) is demonstrated. Superimposition of a controlled, low-frequency modulation in conventional machining causes chips to form as discrete particles. By adjusting the conditions, equiaxed, platelet, and fiber shaped particles having narrow size distributions can be produced. Large-strain deformation leads to microstructure refinement and enhanced hardness. The process is applicable to a wide range of alloys and appears to be intrinsically scalable for large-volume production.

Effect of Initial Microstructure on Strain Hardening Behavior of Ultrafine Grain Dual-Phase Steel Produced by Severe Plastic Deformation: *Young Gun Ko*¹; Dong Hyuk Shin²; ¹Massachusetts Institute of Technology; ²Hanyang University

Strain hardening behavior of ultrafine grained (UFG) dual phase (DP) steels via equal channel angular (ECA) pressing and subsequent intercritical annealing followed by water quenching was investigated at ambient temperature. A series of tensile tests were carried out for three distinct DP steels, i.e., CG-DP, UFG-DP and UFG-DPV steels. In contrast to conventional UFG steels with a lack of strain hardening, UFG-DPV steel showed significant strain hardening rate, resulting from uniform distribution of island-typed martensite as well as grain refinement of each constituent phase throughout the microstructure. Also, UFG-DPV steel containing 0.06% of vanadium exhibited the good combination of high strength and sufficient strain hardening, because initial microstructure of that was consisted of the fine martensite through equal channel angular pressing. Strain hardening behavior of these steels was discussed in relation to modified C-Janalysis based on Swift relationship.

Effect of Subsequent Annealing Treatment on Dynamic Deformation Behavior of Ultrafine Grain Al-Mg Alloy: *Young Gun Ko*¹; Yang Gon Kim²; Dong Hyuk Shin²; Sunghak Lee²; Chong Soo Lee²; ¹Massachusetts Institute of Technology; ²Pohang University of Science and Technology; ³Hanyang University

A study was made to investigate the dynamic deformation behavior of ultrafine grain Al-Mg alloy with subsequent annealing treatments at ambient temperature. By imposing an effective strain up to 8 via equal-channel angular pressing (ECAP), most grains were refined from to 300 nm with a non-equilibrium nature of grain boundaries. Upon several subsequent annealing treatments, the ultrafine microstructure was stable at temperature up to 473 K, whilst normal grain growth was found to take place above 523 K. In order to understand the effect of annealed microstructure (ultrafine grain with unstable grain boundary vs. fine grain with stable grain boundary) on dynamic deformation behavior, torsional tests were carried out for four samples i.e., as-ECAPed and 473, 523 and 573 K after ECAP process, using a Kolsky bar. Such mechanical response was discussed in relation to microstructure, tensile property and fracture mode associated with the occurrence of adiabatic shear bands.

Polymer Bonding Ultrafine Grained Al 6061-T6 Particulate Produced by Machining: *Boum-seock Kim*¹; James Mann¹; Srinivasan Chandrasekar¹; *Kevin Trumble*¹; ¹Purdue University

Plane-strain machining has been used to produce 20 to 200 μm size Al6061-T6 particulate having grain sizes less than 100 nm and 50% higher hardness than the bulk Al6061-T6. Several routes for low-temperature ($\sim 100^\circ\text{C}$) densification and bonding the particles using epoxy resins will be presented. Metal fractions greater than 90 vol % have been achieved with no loss of hardness (in the particulate) during the epoxy cure. Microstructure based modeling of composite hardness will be presented and tensile test results will be discussed. Potential structural applications for these composite materials will be elaborated.

Novel Microstructures from Severely Deformed Al-Ti Alloys Created by Chip Formation in Machining: *Jiazhaoh Cai*¹; Andreas Kulovits¹; *M. Ravi Shankar*¹; Jörg Wietzorek¹; ¹University of Pittsburgh

We present some consequences of Severe Plastic Deformation (SPD) of Al-Ti alloys by chip formation in machining that can enable novel opportunities for creating materials with unprecedented properties. Chips cut from Al-6wt%Ti are composed of a refined dispersion of the fragmented remains of a hitherto coarse Al_3Ti embedded in a nanostructured matrix. This multi-phase nanostructured chip material demonstrates considerable resistance to coarsening owing to the thermally-stable dispersion of ultra-fine Al_3Ti precipitates and thus has promise in structural alloy applications. Furthermore, the Al-Ti machining chips are shown to possess excellent grain-refining characteristics, leading to microstructurally refined and homogeneous Al castings. This realization enables a low-cost route for enhancing the efficiency of the grain refiner Al(Ti) master alloy systems by exploiting SPD during chip formation.

Strain-Assisted Grain Refinement of Co-Fe Alloys upon Room-Temperature Compression: Lai-Chang Zhang¹; Mariana Calin¹; Flora Paturaud²; Jürgen Eckert¹; ¹Leibniz Institute for Solid State and Materials Research (IFW) Dresden; ²W.C. Heraeus GmbH

It is well-known that severe plastic deformation methods, including equal channel angular pressing and high-pressure torsion, have been widely used to produce bulk ultrafine- and/or nanoscale-grained metals and alloys. However, the mechanism of the deformation-induced grain refinement is strongly related to the crystal structure of the investigated metallic materials. In this work, instead of applying severe plastic deformation, pronounced grain refinement to ultrafine or nanoscale has been achieved upon the room-temperature conventional compression of initially coarse-grained single-phase bcc Co-xFe (x=25 and 35 wt%) alloys. These alloys exhibit large plasticity over 140% without fracture at room temperature. The grains refine with increasing of the deformation strains during compression. The possible mechanism for the strain-induced grain refinement under compression is a consequence of the shear deformation and dramatic deformation-enhanced atomic diffusion during deformation.

Thermal Stability of Ultrafine Grains Size of Pure Copper Obtained by Equal-Channel Angular Pressing: Nayar Lugo¹; Nuria Llorca²; Joan Suñol³; Jose Cabrera¹; ¹Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya; ²Universitat de Barcelona; ³Universitat de Girona

Ultrafine grains size of pure copper 99.98% have been obtained by severe plastic deformation using the Equal-Channel Angular Pressing (ECAP) method. Copper samples were ECAPped from 1 to 8 passes developing a finer microstructure showing grain sizes of 250 nm after the 8th pass through the die. Important enhancement in the mechanical strength properties was obtained in the material processed by this technique. Subsequent heat treatments were carried out to evaluate the grain size thermal stability of the ECAPped samples. Microstructure and mechanical properties together with Differential Scanning Calorimetric (DSC) tests were carried out in order to evaluate thermal recovery and recrystallization temperature as well as activation energy. Good correlation was obtained with the microstructure and the mechanical properties. Heat treatment produced significant changes in the behaviour of the material.

XRD Characterisation of Ultrafine Grained (UFG) Al-Mg Alloys: Markus Dinkel¹; Florian Pyczak¹; Mathias Göken¹; ¹University Erlangen - Nürnberg

The characterisation of ultrafine grained materials by X-ray diffraction (XRD) is a suitable and convenient method to acquire information about this material class. In this work examples from different areas of interest are covered. The effect of impurities on the crystallite sizes and dislocation densities of ECAP – processed AlMg alloys is studied. It can be shown that with increasing Magnesium content the achievable reduction in crystallite size with ECAP eventually reaches a saturation state and a further reduction of the structural size seems unlikely. Simultaneously the dislocation density increases to a plateau level with increasing Mg content. In annealing experiments the microstructural stability of AlMg0.5 and the resulting changes are determined by XRD. As a result it becomes evident that the annealing leads to a moderate increase in crystallite size up to a temperature where accelerated crystallite growth begins. Also XRD results prior and after fatigue testing are presented.

Solid State Amorphization of Cu+Zr Multi-Stacks by ARB and HPT Technique: Yufeng Sun¹; Yoshikazu Todaka²; Minoru Umemoto²; Nobuhiro Tsuji¹; ¹Osaka University; ²Toyoashi University of Technology

A series of CuZr binary alloys with wide composition range were fabricated through ARB and HPT technique using pure Cu and Zr metals as the starting materials. Bulk alloy sheets with thickness of about 0.8 mm after ARB process and alloy disks with 0.35mm in diameter and 10 mm in diameter after HPT process can be obtained respectively. The structures of all the alloys were found to be gradually refined with the increasing of ARB cycles or HPT rotations. As a result, nanoscale multiple-layered structure was formed for the 10 cycled ARBed specimens, which could partially transform into amorphous phase after low temperature annealing. While for the as-HPTed sample, the alloy will be completely amorphized after 20 rotations without any heat treatment. The thermal stabilities of the amorphous alloys were studied. The deformation behavior and the amorphization mechanism during the ARB and HPT process were put forward and discussed.

Creep Response and Deformation Processes in Nanocluster Strengthened Ferritic Steels: Taisuke Hayashi¹; Peter Sarosi¹; Joachim Schneibel²; Michael Mills¹; ¹Ohio State University; ²Oak Ridge National Laboratory

Mechanically alloyed Oxide Dispersion Strengthened (MA/ODS) ferritic alloys are considered as candidate structural materials for fission and fusion power plants applications because of their excellent creep strength at high temperature and good resistance to irradiation-induced swelling. An alloy designated 14YWT containing 100nm sized grains and nanometer sized clusters (Y and Ti containing oxides) was subjected to high temperature annealing followed by creep at 800°C. Microstructural characterization using scanning and transmission electron microscopy to understand the microstructure stability during annealing as well as the deformation processes during creep of the MA/ODS steel was performed. A detailed examination of the grain growth, nanocluster distribution and dislocation analysis will be discussed.

Evolution of Microstructure and Property of a Pure Iron during Equal Channel Angular Pressing: Yue Zhang¹; Jingtao Wang¹; Songming Wang¹; ¹Nanjing University of Science and Technology

Equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) was conducted on a pure iron up to 8 passes via route A and Bc. Evolution of microstructure and mechanical property during ECAP were characterized by tensile testing and TEM observation. While strong thin lamellae structure with an average thickness of 0.2–0.4 micrometer were observed after 8 pass of ECAP via route A, as one expected; similar structure is also observed, mixed with equiaxed fine grain structures in the sample after 8 pass of ECAP via route Bc. Immediate necking after yielding is observed in tensile test of all the samples after ECAP, although an obvious plastic deformation is observed before failure. A high tensile strength of ~880MPa could be achieved through ECAP by both route A and Bc.

Influence of Rolling Direction on Strength and Ductility of Aluminium and Aluminium Alloys Produced by Accumulative Roll Bonding: Irena Topic¹; Heinz Werner Höppel¹; Mathias Göken¹; ¹Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen Nürnberg

The accumulative roll bonding (ARB) process has been recognised as a successful severe plastic deformation method for production of ultrafine-grained (UFG) materials with superior mechanical properties compared to their conventionally grained counterparts. The biggest advantage of this process is that it can be easily adapted in industry to produce large scale UFG sheets, especially interesting for light weight construction in automotive industry due to high potential of cost reduction and energy savings. In this work, accumulative roll bonded AA1050 and AA6016 showed significantly increased specific strength paired with high ductility. Despite a strongly elongated grain structure, tensile testing of samples oriented 45° to the rolling direction (RD) revealed considerable improvement in elongation to failure compared to the samples parallel to RD. Hydraulic bulge testing showed a tendency to higher achievable burst pressures and strains indicating good formability. Friction stir welding proved to be a successful method for UFG sheet material.

Influence of SPD on the Magnetic Properties of Soft Magnetic Materials: Stephan Scheriau¹; Klemens Rumpf²; Siegfried Kleber³; Heinz Krenn²; Reinhard Pippan¹; ¹Erich Schmid Institute of Material Science; ²Karl-Franzens-University Graz; ³Böhler Edelstahl GmbH

Industrial available FeSi, FeCo and FeNi alloys with an initial grain size of 20–50µm were subjected to Severe Plastic Deformation (SPD) by high pressure torsion at both ambient temperature (293 K) and liquid nitrogen temperature (77 K). The strain levels were chosen in that way where a saturation of the microstructural refinement is observed. The microstructure of the severely deformed states is analysed by Back Scattered Electrons (BSE) micrographs captured in a SEM. Additionally samples that were deformed at 77 K are examined in a Transmission Electron Microscope (TEM). The magnetic properties were characterised by means of SQUID-magnetography providing information of the magnetic behaviour of the material in the as processed state. Depending on the deformation temperature the mean microstructural sizes in the SPD-state are about 120nm and 50nm at 293 K and 77 K, respectively. The microstructural size influences significantly the magnetic properties of these materials. The initial soft-magnetic behaviour of the coarse grained state shifts towards a hard-magnetic with decreasing crystallite size. By dropping below a crystallite size of ~50nm the magnetic properties become again soft-magnetic.

Microstructure Development Ultrafine Grained Tantalum Produced by Machining: *Mert Efe¹; Hyun Jun Kim¹; Wilfredo Moscoso¹; W. Dale Compton¹; Srinivasan Chandrasekar¹; Kevin Trumble¹; ¹Purdue University*

Severe plastic deformation (SPD) of pure tantalum and subsequent microstructure development in annealing has been studied. Bulk plates of 1- to 6-mm thickness with plastic strains of 1 to 4 have been achieved in a new process called Large Strain Extrusion Machining (LSEM), in which the imposed plastic strain and plate thickness can be controlled controlled independently in a single stage deformation process. Significant grain refinement and corresponding hardening of the tantalum has been measured. High vacuum annealing with and without zirconium gettering, and metallographic analysis were used to characterize the recrystallization and grain growth behavior of the UFG tantalum. The results are discussed relative to the corresponding behavior in conventional ingot Ta.

Nano-Grained Copper Strip Produced by Accumulative Roll Bonding Process: *Mohammad Reza Toroghinejad¹; Mahnoosh Shaarbaft¹; ¹Isfahan University of Technology*

Accumulative roll bonding (ARB) process is a severe plastic deformation process that has been used for pure copper (99.9%). The ARB process up to 8 cycles was performed at ambient temperature under unlubricated conditions. Microstructural characterizations were done by transmission electron microscopy and electron backscattered diffraction. It was found that continuous recrystallization resulted in microstructure covered with small recrystallized grains with an average diameter below 100 nm. The tensile strength and hardness of the ARB processed copper has become two times higher than initial value. On the other hand, the elongation dropped abruptly at the first cycle and then increased slightly. Strengthening in ARB processed copper may be attributed to strain hardening and grain refinement. In order to clarify the failure mode, fracture surfaces after tensile tests were observed by scanning electron microscopy. Observations revealed that failure mode in ARB processed copper is shear ductile rupture with elongated small dimples.

Precipitation Hardening and Grain Refinement in an Al-4.3wt%Mg-1.2wt%Cu Alloy Processed by ECAE: *Vanessa Vidal¹; Zheng-Rong Zhang²; Bert Verlinden¹; ¹KULeuven; ²University of Electro-Communications*

In this study the influence of severe plastic deformation on the microstructure and the properties of a precipitation hardenable Al-4.3wt%Mg-1.2wt%Cu alloy was investigated by room temperature compression tests, EBSD and TEM. Samples in under aged, peak aged and over aged condition were deformed in an ECAE die at 180°C. After four ECAE passes fine equiaxed grains with an average size of approximately 200 nm with some traces of remnant elongated grains were obtained. It was observed that peak aged and over aged samples lose much of their strength during ECAE due to fragmentation of the precipitates. The highest strength after four ECAE passes (route Bc) was obtained with samples in under-aged condition, although in this case dissolution of precipitates into the matrix occurred. Formation of new round precipitates with small size were detected during post-ECAE annealing at 180°C. However, this re-precipitation resulted in a softening of the severely deformed samples.

Cold and Hot Severe Plastic Deformation of an Al-3wt%Mg Alloy: *Martin Hafok¹; Reinhard Pippan¹; ¹Erich Schmid Institute of Materials Science*

In order to examine the effect of deformation temperature on materials processed by high pressure torsion, an Al-3wt%Mg alloy was chosen to analyse the evolution of microstructure and microtexture. By using a single phase aluminium alloy instead of pure aluminium the static recrystallization and recovery, which may occur in pure aluminium even at room temperature, is suppressed after quenching the sample from elevated temperatures or after heating the sample to room temperature from cryogenic temperatures. The characteristic development of microstructure and microtexture of the alloy deformed in a temperature range between -196°C and 450°C were investigated by SEM, EBSD and TEM technique in order to reveal the transition between cold working, dynamic recovery and dynamic recrystallization during HPT. In the experiments a characteristic microtexture and microstructure was found which is associated with the torsion deformation, the dynamic recovery and the dynamic recrystallization.

Crack Growth in Ultrafine-Grained AA6063T6 Produced by Equal Channel Angular Pressing: *Lothar W. Meyer¹; Kristin Sommer¹; Thorsten Halle¹; Matthias Hockauf¹; ¹Chemnitz University of Technology*

Crack growth behaviour of ultrafine-grained AA6063T6, processed by equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) via route E at room temperature, were evaluated with special emphasis on the effect of grain size distribution and work hardening. A bimodal, two times ECAPed state and a monomodal ultrafine-grained state after eight ECA-extrusions are compared with the coarse grained initial T6 state. Crack growth behaviour is investigated by using SE(N)B-specimens and described by a Paris-Erdogan-Ratwani-equation, covering crack growth behaviour from the threshold region up to the high rate region approaching the critical stress intensity. Depending on the number of ECA-extrusions, the ECAPed material shows significantly lower threshold values (ΔK_{th}) and higher crack growth rates (da/dN) than its coarse grained counterpart. SEM micrographs of crack propagation surfaces reveal reduced grain size as major key to increased crack growth rates of the ECAPed material, as it influences roughness-induced crack closure and crack deflections.

Grain Growth in Ultrafinegrained Aluminium Processed by Hydrostatic Extrusion: *Malgorzata Lewandowska¹; Tomasz Wejrzanowski¹; Krzysztof Kurzydowski¹; ¹Warsaw University of Technology*

Ultrafinegrained materials may be produced by a number of techniques involving severe plastic deformation. These materials are generally thermally unstable and undergo grain growth at elevated temperature driven by a large surface area of grain boundaries. The kinetics of growth at early stage of the process (in fine grain size range) depends on microstructural features, such as a high fraction of high angle grain boundaries and grain size uniformity. This implies a correlation between the SPD technique used for grain refinement and thermal stability of processed materials. In the present work, the changes in grain size and grain boundary characteristics during annealing at various temperatures were evaluated quantitatively for technically pure aluminium processed by hydrostatic extrusion. The experimental kinetics of grain growth have been analyzed in terms of the influence of initial fraction of high angle grain boundaries and grain size homogeneity and by simulation based on Monte Carlo method.

Mechanical Properties and Corrosion Behavior of Ultrafine-Grained AA6082 Produced by Equal Channel Angular Pressing: *Matthias Hockauf¹; Lothar W. Meyer¹; Daniela Nickel¹; Gert Alisch¹; Thomas Lampe¹; Bernhard Wielage¹; Lutz Krüger²; ¹Chemnitz University of Technology; ²Technische Universität Bergakademie Freiberg*

The mechanical properties and corrosion behaviour of AA6082 with ultrafine-grained (UFG) microstructure are investigated and compared with the coarse grained (CG) AA6056 with much higher Cu-content that has been increasingly used for automotive applications. The AA6082 was processed by equal channel angular pressing (ECAP) up to eight extrusions at room temperature in a die with an internal angle of 90° following Route E with active backpressure. Besides the peak-aged temper, which gave maximum strengths and strongly reduced ductility, the solution heat treated condition was considered as well. Combined with post-ECAP ageing, an optimum of high strength, ductility and toughness was achieved. Polarisation tests showed a slightly more positive corrosion potential for the UFG-conditions compared to the CG counterparts. The results indicate that UFG low-Cu Al-alloys like AA6082 are capable to replace Cu-containing Al-alloys like AA6056 for applications in automotive industry, for example in high strength screws.

Low Temperature Mechanical Properties of the Ultra-Fine Grained Zirconium: *Elena Tabachnikova¹; Aleksey Podolskiy¹; Vladimir Bengus¹; Sergey Smirnov¹; Vladimir Azhazha²; Mikhail Tikhonovskiy²; A. Velikodniy²; Natalia Andrievskaya²; ¹B.Verkin Institute for Low Temperature Physics and Engineering of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine; ²National Science Center Kharkov Institute of Physics and Technology*

Mechanical behavior of the ultra-fine grained zirconium has been investigated in uniaxial compression at temperatures 300, 170, 77, and 4.2 K. Mechanical characteristics have been compared for the different structural states of Zr: initial coarse-grained state (CG) with grain size 20 µm; ultra-fine grained state (UFG) with grain size 0.5 µm, produced by extrusion, thermal treatment and wire drawing; and another ultra-fine grained state (UFG+Term), produced

analogously to state UFG, but with additional annealing (grain size 0.5 μm). It has been established that values of yield stress of ultra-fine grained Zr (UFG state) are 4-6 times larger at all temperatures in comparison with initial coarse-grained structural state. Additional annealing (UFG+Term state) leads to small decrease of strength values (3–20%) due to reduction of internal stresses in ultra-fine grained Zr. All structural states of Zr have rather large plasticity (10-20%).

Microstructural Refinement of Bismuth-Antimony Alloy by Severe Plastic Deformation Processing: K. Hartwig¹; Jae-Taek Im¹; Jeff Sharp²; ¹Texas A&M University; ²Marlow Industries, Inc.

Cast bismuth (Bi) antimony (Sb) alloy was deformed by equal channel angular extrusion (ECAE) to refine the microstructure. The material under study is used in thermoelectric cooling applications, and the objective of the study was to improve the thermoelectric figure of merit and mechanical properties by grain refinement. In the work reported, twelve millimeter diameter bars of Bi10Sb were encapsulated in square cross section aluminum 6061 alloy containers and heated to the processing temperature. The composite bars were then placed in a warm tool and extruded through a 90 degree angle die isothermally. Processing variables included punch speed, extrusion temperature, multipass route and exit channel area reduction ratio. Post extrusion material characterizations included optical microscopy, x-ray diffraction, energy dispersive spectroscopy, wavelength dispersive spectroscopy and scanning electron microscopy. Texture evolution was analyzed using the {006} reflection plane to identify the orientation of the basal poles. The cast microstructure was equiaxed, had a nominal grain size of one to three millimeters, and showed substantial microsegregation. Severe plastic deformation above the recrystallization temperature is shown to break down the cast grains into a bimodal microstructure consisting of fine-grained (5-30 micron) and coarse-grained (50-300 micron) regions. It is noteworthy that further grain refinement and the elimination of the bimodal microstructure do not progress rapidly beyond the first pass. Texture results show that route C processing gives a stronger texture than route A processing, and that in both cases, the basal-plane poles become aligned with the shear direction. Reducing the exit channel area is seen to encourage a much stronger texture than ECAE processing alone.

Processing and Ballistic Performances of Lightweight Armors Based on Ultra-Fine-Grain Aluminum Composites: Timothy Lin¹; Fei Zhou¹; Quan Yan¹; Chufu Tan¹; Bob Liu¹; Adolphus McDonald²; ¹Aegis Technology Inc.; ²U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command

Over last few decades Al-based metal matrix composites (MMCs) have become a promising material of choice for lightweight armors in vehicles. Recent development in ultra-fine-grain (UFG) and nanostructured material technology provides a new opportunity for the substantial strength enhancement of MMCs unattainable with the conventional microstructure of microscale, leading to significant weight reduction in armor packages. In this paper, Aegis Technology will present its latest development of a novel class of nanostructured metal Matrix composites (NMMCs) based on submicron SiC particulates reinforced nanocrystalline Al alloys, which is sponsored through an U.S. Army Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) project. In this project, Aegis has successfully demonstrated the fabrication of large-dimension NMMCs plates by using a cost-effective synthesis and consolidation process that can be scaled up for the mass production. In this presentation, Aegis will report the microstructure, processing, mechanical properties and their correlations of this class of NMMCs. Particularly Aegis will present a detail investigation of the ballistic behaviors of the NMMCs under high-speed bullets of rifle and machine guns, in which a physical model and the associated simulation have been also developed to predict the penetration depth and identify the key influential parameters.

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