

Terence E. Mitchell 1937-2022



Background

Dr. Terence E. Mitchell was born in Haywards Heath, Sussex, England in 1937. Terry received his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. in Physics, and did his post-doc at the Cavendish Lab at the University of Cambridge. His adviser was Sir Peter Hirsch, one of the pioneers of transmission electron microscopy. In 1963, he emigrated to the United States and joined the Department of Metallurgy (now the Department of Materials Science and Engineering) at Case Institute of Technology (now Case Western Reserve University), where he later became Department Chairman and Director of the High Voltage Electron Microscope Facility. He mentored many students at Case, some of whom (e.g. S.S. Hecker, LANL Director from 1986-1997) encouraged him to relocate to New Mexico. In 1987 he moved to Los Alamos National Laboratory, where he worked until his retirement in 2002. He passed away on October 22, 2022.



Honors and Awards

Terry was the President of MSA in 1995, the MSA Distinguished Physical Scientist in 2007 and amongst the inaugural class of MSA Fellows in 2009. He was also a Fellow of the American Society of Metals (1987), Fellow of Los Alamos National Laboratory (1990), Fellow of ACerS (1991), Fellow of American Physics Society (1992), Fellow of The Minerals, Metals and Materials Society (TMS) (1997) and Fellow of the Japan Institute of Materials Society (2004).

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The dependence of cross-slip on stacking-fault energy in FCC metals and alloys

Abstract

The results of an experimental study of the temperature and strain-rate dependence of τ_{III} for Cu–Zn alloys are described and interpreted in terms of Seeger's theoretical analysis of $\tau_{\rm III}$. The values of the stacking-fault energy, γ , derived in this way are compared with the estimates of γ for the same alloys obtained directly from electron microscope observations of dislocation nodes. The two sets of values are found to disagree, and the nature of the discrepancy is such as to throw serious doubts on the applicability of the Seeger analysis to Cu-based alloys with e/a > 1.10. The lower limits of γ for pure Cu and Ag, from electron microscope data, are ~60 ergs/cm² and ~20 ergs/cm²; the values of γ deduced from Seeger's $\tau_{\rm III}$ analysis are ~170 ergs/cm² and ~30 ergs/cm² respectively. The lower limit of γ for Cu is inconsistent with the previously accepted figure based on the assumption that γ is twice the twin boundary energy, and this assumption is now held to be invalid. Seeger's model of cross-slip at Lomer-Cottrell barriers is examined critically, and found to be incompatible with the observations in Cu and Al that screws are held up preferentially. It is proposed that screws are stopped by becoming heavily jogged in the dense tangles observed by transmission microscopy, and that cross-slip occurs at these tangles by processes controlled by jogs.

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Work hardening in niobium single crystals

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BCC Refractory Metals: Dislocations and Solid-Solution Hardening and Softening



Interstitial and Substitutional Solution Hardening and Softening in BCC Metals, V.K. Sethi, R. Gibala, T.E. Mitchell, Dislocations in Solids, 1st edition (1985).



Weak-beam image of dislocations in a Ta-150 at. ppm N alloy deformed at 77 K. <111> screw and <001> reaction W.A. Spitzig, T.E. Mitchell, dislocations are marked. [G. Welsch, R. Acta Metall., 1311 (1966) Gibala, T.E. Mitchell, Acta Metall., 23 (1975) 1461].

Metallic Multilayers

BCC Cu in Cu/Nb



Second difference PEELS spectra of Cu L3 edges from fcc and bcc Cu. The bcc Cu shows a 2 eV shift in the L3 edge position as compared with fcc Cu. (H. Kung, T. E. Mitchell, J.D. Embury, *et a*l., Appl. Phys. Lett., **71** (1997) 2103)



A1-4% Cu alloy solution treated and quenched. Irradiated 60 minutes under high flux conditions during heating for 180 minutes at 100°C. Maxima along <100> and extra spots at {110} positions in the selected area diffraction pattern are due to the presence of 0'. Large 0' precipitates nucleated at dislocations.

P.S. Sklad and T.E. Mitchell, Scripta Metall., 8 (1974) 1113





Pair of stereo electron micrographs (800 kV) of hematite precipitates in ilmenite. Stereo viewing reveals that the large particle is spherical and parallel to (110) and twinning involves the interchange of the a and b enclosed by an interface dislocation network.

Structural and Functional Ceramics

FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HIGH VOLTAGE ELECTRON MICROSCOPY KYOTO, JAPAN, AUGUST 29-SEPTEMBER 1, 1977

HVEM STUDIES OF IRRADIATION DAMAGE IN OXIDES

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TEM using the Case Hitachi HVEM ca. 1970

Climb Dissociation of Dislocations in Sapphire



HRTEM of $YBa_2Cu_3O_{7-x}$ superconducting thin film on LaAlO₃

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Photos from S. S. Hecker and family archives.

Awards and Honors

- 1987, Fellow of the American Society of Metals and Materials (ASM)
- 1990, Fellow of the Los Alamos National Laboratory
- 1991, Fellow of the American Ceramic Society
- 1992, Fellow of the American Physical Society
- 1994, Honorary Sc. D. from the University of Cambridge
- 1995, President, Microscopy Society of America (MSA)
- 1996, Fellow of The Minerals, Metals and Materials Society (TMS)
- 2004, Fellow of the Japan Institute of Materials Society
- 2007, MSA Distinguished Physical Scientist
- 2009, Fellow (inaugural class) of the Microscopy Society of America (MSA)
- 60th Birthday Symposium at LANL and a special issue of Philosophical Magazine A (Sept. 1998)
- 65th Birthday Honorary Symposium, 2003 TMS Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

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An appreciation of Dr T. E. Mitchell on his 60th birthday P. B. Hirsch	
16 July 1997	
A Tribute to Terence E. Mitchell	
S.S. HECKER	
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