

Nanocrystalline High Entropy Materials:

Processing Challenges and Properties

Submission Deadline—August 1, 2018

High entropy material (HEM) as a materials science research field has matured in recent years. HEMs include multicomponent and multiprinciple metallic alloys and entropy stabilized multicomponent oxides and borides. The inherent nature of the process of preparing nanostructured HEMs via the liquid state route is extremely difficult. Solid state processing methods, mechanical alloying followed by sintering and severe plastic deformation, are more attractive for obtaining nanostructured HEMs in the bulk form. However, the processing of these materials possesses many challenges. The properties of the bulk materials strongly depend on the microstructural length scale; thus, retaining nano-sized grains is required by inhibiting grain growth during processing. Powder metallurgical processing using advanced sintering techniques is considered an apt approach to obtain nanostructured HEMs and composites, but it opens up many challenges of incorporation of a variety of second phase particles such as soft dispersoids, oxides, harder particles, etc. Likewise, the processing methodology involving severe plastic deformation using high pressure torsion requires an understanding of the deformation behavior of HEMs at very high strain and strain rates. In order to take stock of the advancement on processing and properties of nanostructured HEMs, this Focus Issue will provide the researchers in this rapidly advancing field the present status and future directions.

Contributing papers are solicited in the following areas:

- Processing challenges using P/M methods
- Bulk nanostructured HEAs by high pressure torsion
- Nanostructured high entropy composite produced by high-pressure torsion
- Severe plastic deformation induced multiphase high entropy alloys
- Microstructure and mechanical properties of nanocrystalline HEAs
- Low density nanocrystalline high entropy alloys
- Nanostructured entropy stabilized oxides and borides and their properties
- Nanostructured high entropy alloy coatings

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