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Abstract: In this talk, we specifically focus on two subjects: 1) the strong crystal size effect on deformation twinning--- It has been discussed for a long time that if there is Hall-Petch relation for deformation twinning. Some people think that a smaller crystal twins more easily because a smaller volume needs to be sheared compared with a large crystal. We performed multiscale mechanical testing and in situ TEM study on single crystal Ti and show that the opposite is true: the smaller crystal twins more difficultly; deformation twinning has Hall-Petch relation and is even more sensitive to the size compared with dislocation slip; 2) the intrinsic oxygen strengthening effect in α -titanium. By collaborating with theorists, we found that the intrinsic strengthening mechanism is related to the strong interaction between solute atom and screw dislocation core, which is different than traditional solid-solution strengthening models based on elastic theories. Our results gave direct information as to the pathway by which the microstructure evolves and how the materials response to those defects activities and their size-dependency, providing valuable information for the study of mechanical properties of advanced metals.

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