Understanding Characterization Mechanisms of Advanced Magnesium Alloys

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Why Magnesium?

Pros: Abundant Light-weight

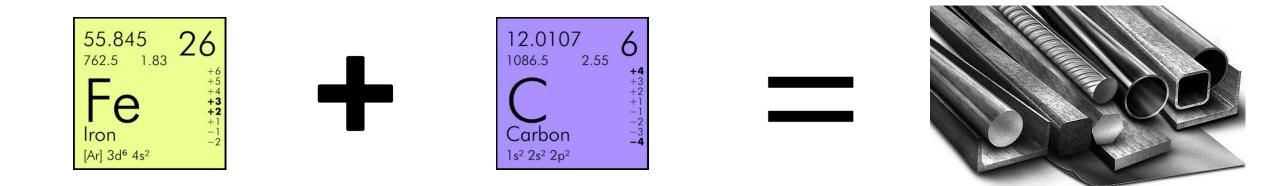


Cons: Corrosion Fracture

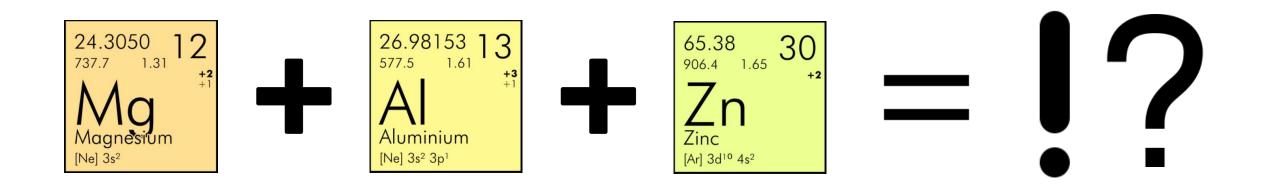








What Microscopic Mechanisms Allowed New Advanced Magnesium Alloys to be Stronger and More Ductile?



Material Characterization



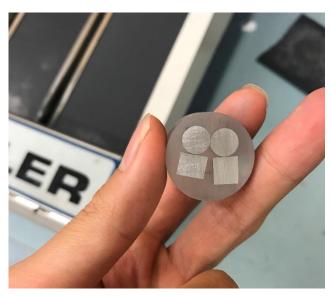




Cutting

Molding

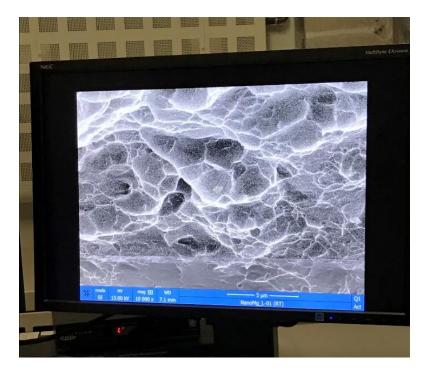
Polishing



Prepared Specimen

SEM Imaging

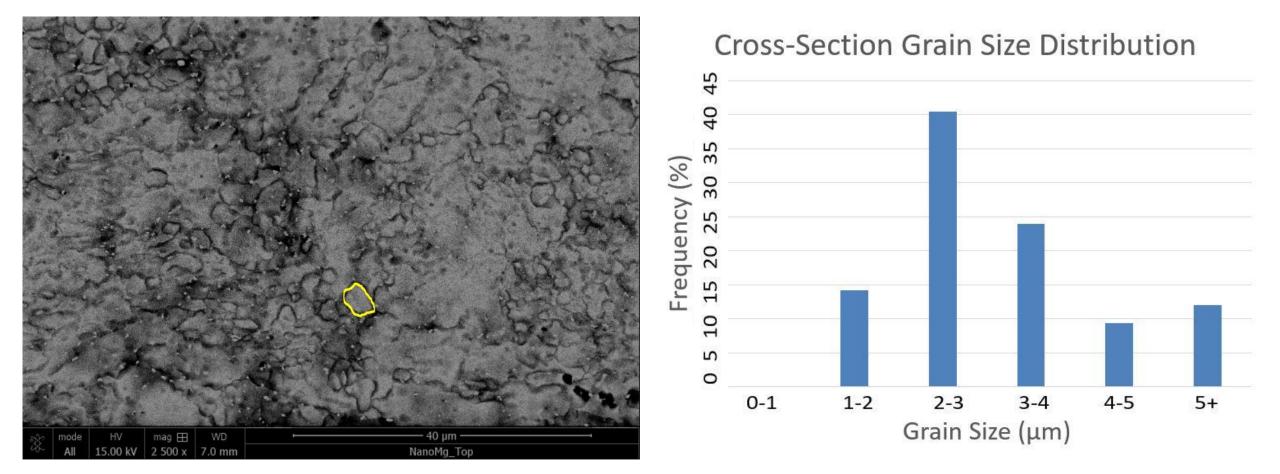




Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)

Observed Texture

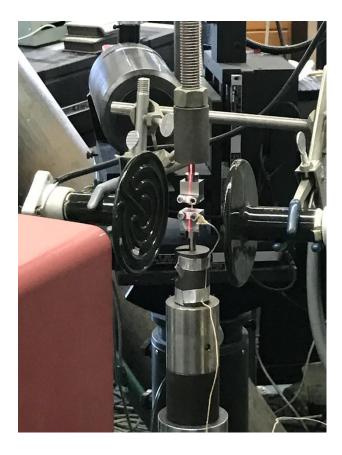
Measuring Grain Size from SEM Images



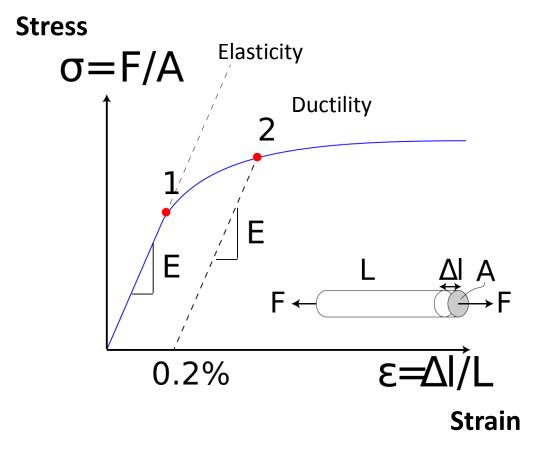
Scanning Electron Microscope Image

Grain Size Data of NanoMg Top Surface

Tensile Tests

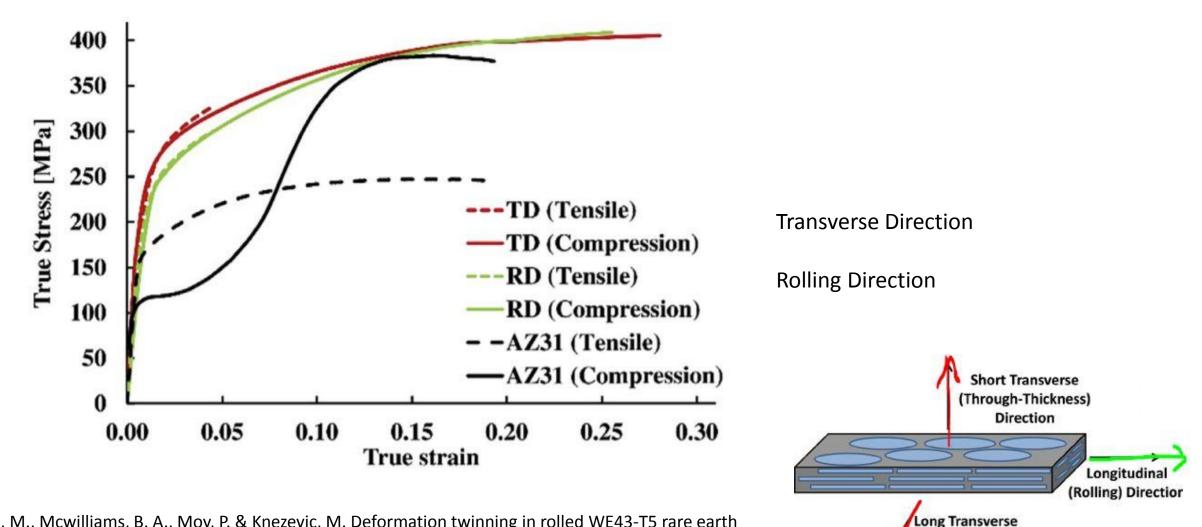


Tensile Test Machine



Sample Stress Strain Curve

Stress Strain Curve of WE43

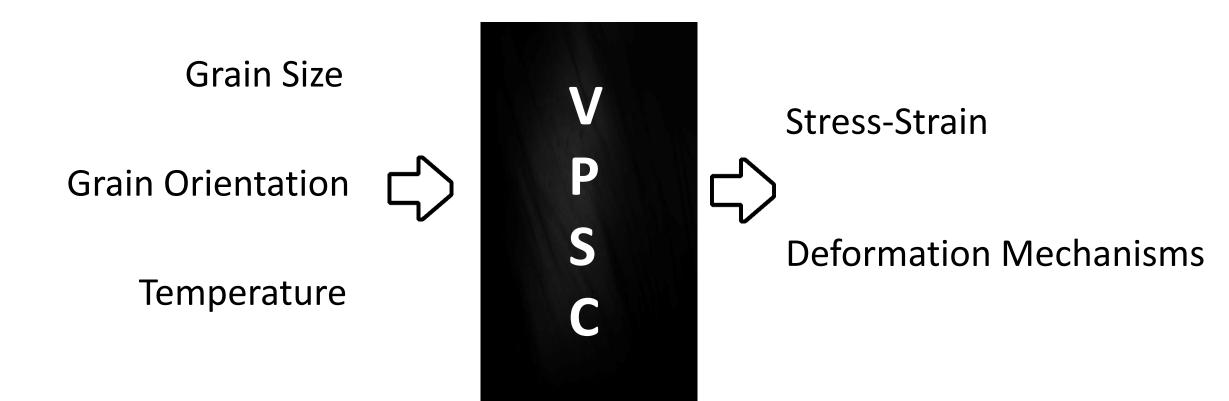


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Future Work

Visco-Plastic Self-Consistent (VPSC) Modeling



Understanding Current Alloys



Predicting General Behavior





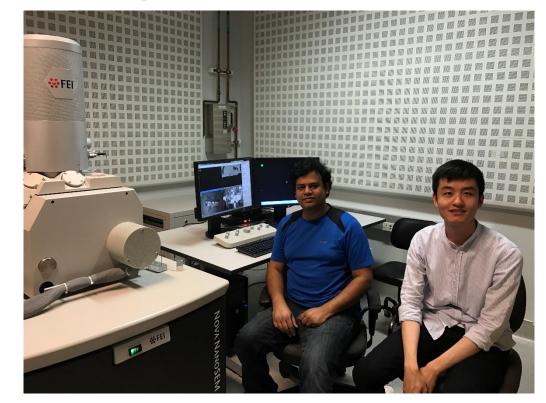
Utilize Magnesium in Industry

Thank You!

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