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Microstructure Characterization, Modelling, and Simulation of Metal Deformation, Damage, and Failure

Message from the Guest Editors

Production processes, microstructures, and mechanical properties are intimately related, and their relationships have always represented a key issue in the industrial production and application of metals, and materials in general. In fact, metallic materials result in microstructures that are dependent on their physical properties, but also on the different possible production routes, which confer them specific mechanical properties. [...] In this scenario, the characterization, modeling, and simulation of nucleation and the growth of cracks in metallic materials are relevant for two reasons: to improve our understanding of how defects can be significant to the failure of materials, thereby defining a hierarchy of defects useful to assess material quality, and to predict the life/behavior of metallic components during working conditions. Articles and reviews dealing with microstructure characterization and modelling aiming at defining microstructure-properties relationships in terms of deformation, crack nucleation, and growth, with simulation applications, are welcome.

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