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Nano- and sub-microcrystalline states in structural materials open up unique opportunities for obtaining a new level of mechanical properties: super-strength at a sufficiently high level of plasticity, hardness, lowtemperature and high-speed superplasticity, low- and multi-cycle fatigue, and wear resistance. Currently, such materials are widely used in the field of operating temperatures for parts of aviation and space equipment, the chemical industry, engineering equipment, medical implants, etc. The most promising methods for creating bulk sub-microcrystalline materials are severe plastic deformation methods such as equal-channel angular pressing (ECAP), torsion under high pressure, comprehensive pressing, as well as methods that combine SPD with various heat treatment modes. The sub-microcrystalline structure of metals formed by such methods, are characterized by the presence of a large number of microdefects. The prospect of using submicrocrystalline materials with such an internal structure as structural materials establishes the importance of comprehensively studying the laws of their deformation behavior in a wide range of strain rates.

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