Recrystallization Microstructure Studies of Cold-Rolled Ta0.5Nb0.5Hf0.5ZrTi1.5 Non-Equiatomic Refractory High Entropy Alloy

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Abstract : Recrystallization microstructure and grain growth studies of $Ta_{0.5}Nb_{0.5}Hf_{0.5}ZrTi_{1.5}$ refractory high entropy alloy have been explored in the present work. The as-cast $Ta_{0.5}Nb_{0.5}Hf_{0.5}ZrTi_{1.5}$ alloy was cold-rolled to 90% in several passes at room temperature and further subjected to annealing treatment for recrystallization at 800°C, 1000°C, 1250°C, and 1400°C temperatures for one hour. However, the characterization of heavily cold-rolled and annealed condition specimens was done using scanning electron microscopy (SEM-EBSD). The cold-rolled specimens showed the development of an inhomogeneous microstructure. Upon annealing, recrystallized microstructures were achieved; in addition to that, the coarsening of microstructure with raising annealing temperature noticed in the range of 800°C – 1400°C annealed temperatures.

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