

Submission Deadline—December 1, 2018



Intrinsic and extrinsic size effects in materials

Size effects in materials due to both microstructural (intrinsic) and dimensional (extrinsic) constraints are actively pursued by researchers in all areas of materials science. Collectively these two types of size effects, along with the chemical composition, govern a variety of properties of materials. While much insight has been provided into the origins of these length-dependent materials properties, debates within the materials science community are ongoing. For example, the well-known Hall-Petch effect that a polycrystal with a smaller average grain size is stronger may be rationalized by the dislocation pile-up model, the grain boundary ledge model, or the geometrically necessary dislocation model, among others. Another example is the diameter dependence of yield/flow in micro and nanopillars, whose mechanism may significantly vary in different materials. Moreover, advancing knowledge of the combined intrinsic and extrinsic size effects can open up new avenues for designing materials with superior properties.

This *JMR* Focus Issue will cover advances in exploring intrinsic and extrinsic size effects in all types of materials by theories, experiments, simulations, and modeling. Material systems will range from metallic, porous, granular, polymeric, and amorphous materials, with relevant size scales from microns to the nanoscale. Properties under investigation will be diverse, as well, from mechanical, electrical, optical, acoustic, to thermal properties. Review and original research articles concerning interactions between intrinsic and extrinsic size effects in materials as well as size dependence of multiphysics phenomena are encouraged.

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- ◆ New theories and models to rationalize, explain, and predict size effects in materials
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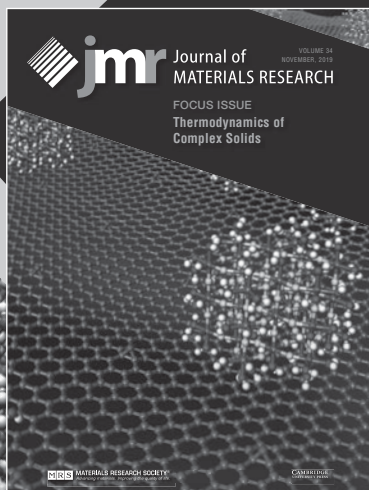
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Substantial improvements in the range, accuracy, and convenience of thermal analysis equipment, the development of a commercial calorimeter, and the ability to make accurate cryogenic heat capacity measurements, have renewed interest for thermodynamic measurements. Developments in experimental thermochemistry are paralleled by rapid progress in computational methods, integrating calculations based on density functional theory (DFT) and new molecular dynamics simulation methods for characterizing energy and free energy landscapes. There are strategies for coupling DFT results and experimental data within the framework of free energy modeling of phase diagrams and thermochemistry in complex multicomponent systems (e.g., the CalPhaD approach).

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