(110). The textures were measured by X-ray texture goniometer and the results were presented as orientation distribution functions (ODF). By controlled surface and grain boundary segregation it is possible to achieve the selective grain growth which improves the electrical properties of non-oriented electrical steel. The best results were obtained by alloying it with 0.05 wt% Sn.

## **Mechanical Properties**

## Ultrahigh carbon steels, Damascus Steels and ancient blacksmiths

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The processing and mechanical properties of ultrahigh carbon steels (UHCS) have been studied over the past twenty-five years, initially at Stanford University and later at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. These studies have shown that such steels (1 to 2.1%C) can be made superplastic at elevated temperature, and have high strength and good ductility at room temperature. The metallurgy

of UHCSs is now well understood allowing economical procedures to achieve ultra-fine hypereutectoid spheroidite, pearlite and optically-unresolvable martensite. The investigation of these UHCSs brought us, eventually, to study the history and metallurgy of Damascus steel and Japanese swords, and of ancient blacksmiths. These ancient Persian and Japanese weapons, the most famous in the world, were also ultrahigh carbon steels. It is proposed that the iron age may have begun at the same time period as the early bronze age, approximately 7 000 BC. The Damascus steel age began at about 2 000 BC, the same as the full bronze age.

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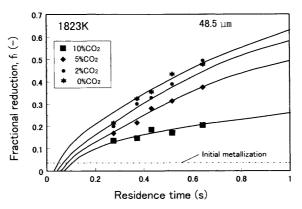


Fig. 3. Relation between fractional reduction and particle residence time at 1823K. (Each curve shows measured results.)

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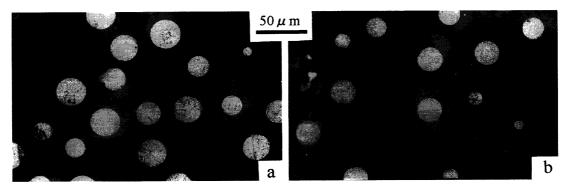


Fig. 4. Cross sections of particles after reduction with 100% CO gas at 1773K, a)  $Q=0.60 \, \text{Nl/min}, f_1=0.359, \tau=0.520 \, \text{sec},$  b)  $Q=1.5 \, \text{Nl/min}, f_1=0.183, \tau=0.279 \, \text{sec}.$ 

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