Slip and Plastic Deformation: Slip occurs when dislocations move within the crystal lattice, allowing layers of atoms to slide past each other. Crystal Shape Alteration: Strain hardening can cause elongation or shape changes in individual grains. Preferred Slip Systems: Grains adapt to the most favorable slip systems, aligning their crystallographic directions. Texture Development: Preferred orientations emerge, affecting material properties. In polycrystalline materials, dislocations pile up at grain boundaries during plastic deformation. Smaller Grains: More grain boundaries form, limiting dislocation movement.