

**Figure S1.** Contribution of point defects and dislocation density to volume deformation as a function of plastic elongation.

## Contribution to volume deformation $\varepsilon_V$

**Table S1.** DISLOCATIONS. Data from measurements of dislocation density  $\rho$  inside the grains.

ε	ρ (10 <sup>16</sup> m <sup>-2</sup> )	104. $(arepsilon_V)_{pl}$
0	0	0
0.049	0.23	0.726
0.12	0.83	2.59
0.31	1.51	4.71
0.5	1.26	3.94

Dislocation density inside the grains as a function of total strain  $\varepsilon$  calculated from quantitative stereology method (length per unit volume calculated from line intersection method on axial projections, volume corrected for GB volume).

**Table S2.** POINT DEFECTS. Data from measurements of point defects density  $N_V$  inside the grains.

ε	$N_V$ (nm <sup>-3</sup> )	10-4- $(arepsilon_V)_{pl}$
0	0	0
0.12	0.0209	3.3
0.2	0.0208	3.2
0.3	0.0328	5.1
0.4	0.0415	6.5
0.5	0-0384	6.0

Point defect density per unit volume as a function of total strain  $\varepsilon$  calculated from point counting method on axial projections of sections 10 nm thick, effective thickness assumed as (10 nm +  $3 \cdot r_a$ ); excess volume per defect assumed  $b^3$  and radius of defect  $r_a = 0.6035 \, nm$ .