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Void-assisted plasticity in Ag nanowires with a single twin structure

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INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL.

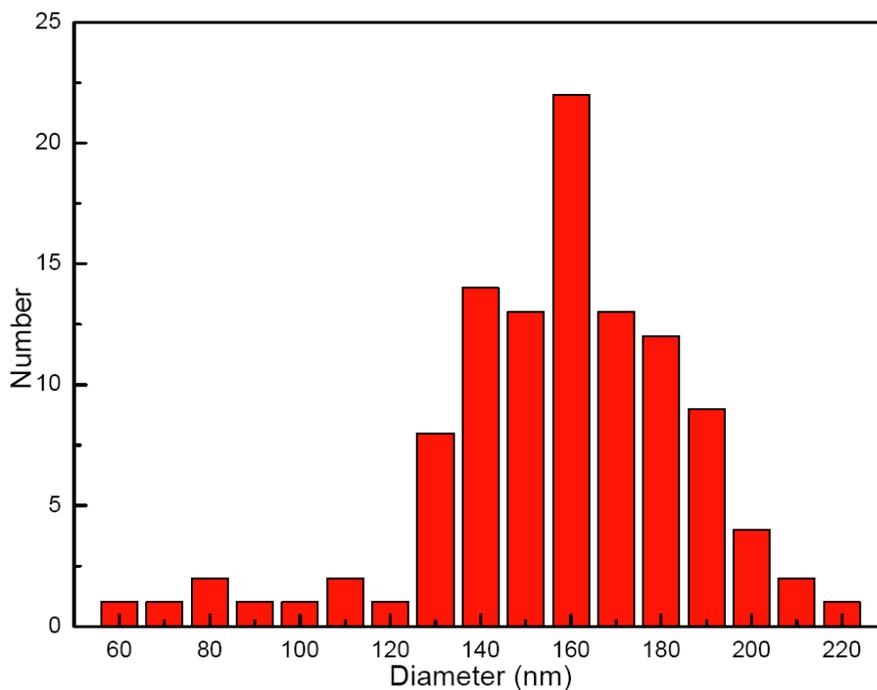


Figure S1. The statistic diameter distribution of Ag nanowires.

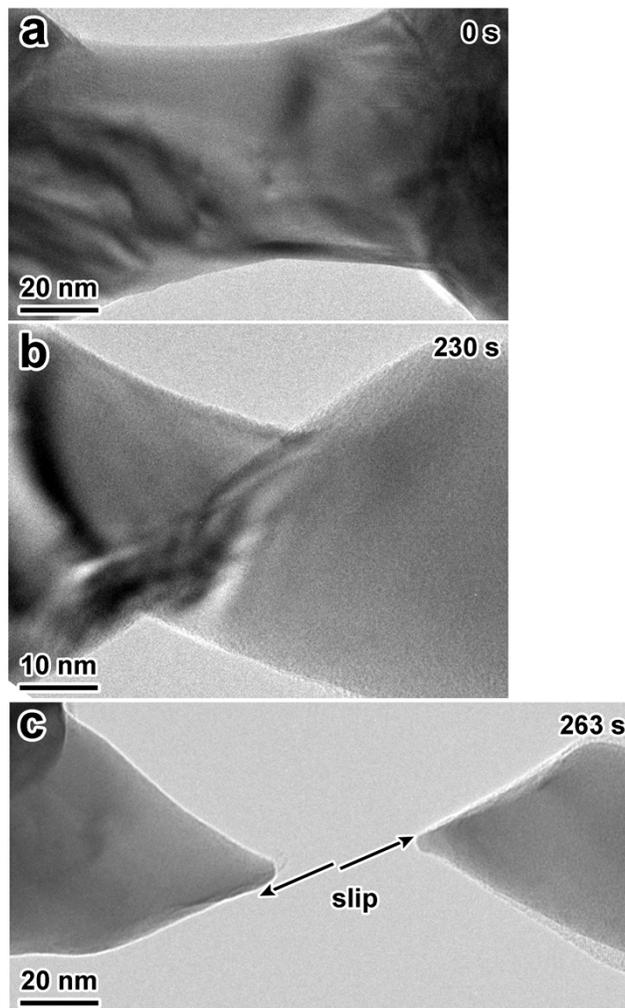


Figure S2. (a-c) Time-lapsed images showing the uniaxial tensile loading of an individual Ag NW without TB. The displacement rate is approximately 0.04 nm/s.

Movie M1: In-situ recorded deformation dynamics of an individual Ag NW under tensile stress, recorded at 2 frames/sec and played at 10× speed.

Movie M2: Real time video showing the emission of partial dislocations from the free surface, recorded at 2 frames/sec and played at 10× speed.

Movie M3: The void nucleation and propagation before the NW fractured, recorded at 2 frames/sec and played at 10× speed.