LIST OF SYMBOLS

| Α | Surface area |
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| В | True peak broadening |
| D | Diameter of the particle |
| F | Tangential force |
| G | Shear modulus |
| Н | Hardness |
| К | Strength coefficient |
| L | Sliding distance |
| S | Shear strength |
| W | Applied load |
| A _r | Real contact area |
| Bobserved | Observed peak broadening |
| Binstrument | Instrumental broadening |
| a | Lattice constant |
| b | Burger's vector |
| d | Crstallite size |
| d _g | Average grain size |
| k | Wear coefficient |
| m | Mass of composite in air |
| m ₁ | Mass of composite in distilled water |
| n | Strain hardening exponent |
| k _y | Hall-Petch Coefficient |
| k _w | Constant |
| V_{f} | Volume fraction of the particles |
| v _m | Volume fraction of matrix |
| Vr | Volume fraction of reinforcement |
| ρ | Dislocation density |
| ρ _c | Density of composite |
| $ ho_{ m w}$ | Density of distilled water |
| ρ _{th} | Theoretical density |

| ρ_{exp} | Experimental density |
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| $ ho_m$ | Density of matrix |
| ρ _r | Density of reinforcement |
| v _r | Volume fraction of reinforcement |
| $ ho_w$ | Density of distilled water |
| 8 | Lattice strain |
| λ | Wavelength |
| λe | Edge to edge particle spacing |
| θ_B | Bragg angle |
| x _f | Fractional concentration of foreign atoms |
| $\Delta \sigma_{0rowan}$ | Contribution of Orowan strengthening mechanism |
| $\Delta \sigma_{dislocation}$ | Contribution of dislocation strengthening |
| | mechanism |
| $\Delta \sigma_{\text{grain-refined}}$ | Contribution of grain refinement strengthening |
| | mechanism |
| $\Delta \sigma_{solid-solution}$ | Contribution of solid-solution strengthening |
| | mechanism |
| μ | Coefficient of friction |
| μ_{a} | Adhesion component of friction |
| μ _{plow} | Ploughing component of friction |
| μ_d | Deformation component of friction |
| μ _{part} | Particle contribution to friction |
| σ | True stress |
| ε _ρ | True plastic strain |