

North America 2015 9th - 11th of Nov

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Cobo Center, Detroit, USA



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- Aluminum
- Carbon Fibre
- Composites
- High Strength Steel
- Magnesium

The 3rd Automotive Lightweight Procurement Symposium to be focused on automotive lightweighting, supply / process chain and procurement management, will take place in Detroit from the 9th – 11th of Nov 2015. The symposium is held in the days leading up to the "ALUMINUM USA" exhibition taking place at the Cobo Center, Detroit, Michigan (Walking distance to symposium venue)

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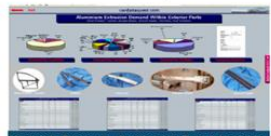
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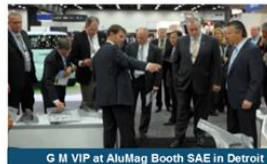
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- 2016 April Common tech- booth at the SAE World Congress in Detroit, USA
- 2016 Jul: Automotive Light-weight Procurement Symposium in Shanghai, China
- 2016 Nov: Automotive Light-weight Procurement Symposium in Duesseldorf, Germany.



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Lightweight Innovations for Tomorrow

Aluminum Blanking Company

Agenda

Agenda: (Is Continuously Being Updated)

Monday The 9th Of November – Cobo Center, Detroit

05:30pm - 07:30pm



Pre-registration and Welcome

Reception

Tuesday The 10th Of November – Cobo Center, Detroit

08:30am – 09:15am



Registration

Morning Coffee / Tea

09:15am – 09:30am



Welcome:

Mr. Jost GAERTNER - Managing Partner At AluMag Automotive GmbH

09:30am – 10:25am



Opening Keynote: Mr. Craig RENNEKER - Chief Engineer, New A/T Programs & Component – Transmission & Driveline Engineering At Ford Research & Innovation Center

Lightweight Transmission & Driveline Components: Practical Challenges

10:25am – 11:00am

Break for Refreshments/Coffee/Tea, Snacks, Networking, Tech Exhibition

11:00am – 11:45am



Paper 1: Mr Mike ROETH – Executive Director At North American Council for Freight Efficiency (NACFE) & Operations Leader – Carbon War Room



Paper 1: Mr. Karl MAYER – Director Product Line Management At Meritor

Lightweighting Heavy Duty Class 8 Tractors and Trailers

11:45am – 01:45pm

Break for Lunch, Refreshments, Networking, Tech Exhibition

01:45pm – 02:25pm



Paper 2: Mr Ryan BROWN – Director Of Sales At StrikoWestofen America

Analysis Of Cost Drivers When Buying Lightweight Solutions / Materials & The Elimination Of These

02:30pm – 03:10pm



Paper 3: Mr. Lothar HARTMANN – Managing Director Foundry Machines & Trimming Presses At Kurtz GmbH

Chassis & Suspension Weight Reduction By LPDC Aluminum With Hollow Cross Sections



Mr. Kevin CROY - NAFTA Sales Manager Foundry Machines & Trimming Presses At Kurtz GmbH

03:15pm – 03:45pm



Paper 4: Mr. Jörg MANTWILL – Director Sales At Bharat Forge Aluminiumtechnik GmbH & Co. KG

HCM And Aluminum Forging – Partnership To Birth Chassis Parts' Safety

03:45pm – 04:15pm

Break for Refreshments/Coffee/Tea, Snacks, Networking, Tech Exhibition

04:15pm – 04:55pm



Paper 5: Mr. Gary F. RUFF - President and Chief Executive Officer, Ruff and Associates, LLC 8/12 - Present

Advanced Counter Pressure Casting Process for Light-Weighting of Auto and Truck Chassis and Suspension Components

05:00pm – 05:55pm



Closing Keynote: Mr. Gilberto SALDIVAR – New Projects Group Manager At Bocar Group

Key Factors To Achieve Mechanical Properties In Lightweight Structural Parts

05:55pm – 06:00pm



Summary:

Mr. Roberto BOEKER – Managing Partner At AluMag Automotive LLC

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06:00pm - 08:00pm



Dinner Speech:

Mr. Richard KLEIN -
Responsibility Strategic Planning -
Business Development & German
Business At BOCAR

Wednesday The 11th Of Nov – Cobo Center, Detroit

08:15am – 08:55am



Mr. Ali JAMMOUL – Global Director
Body Exterior And Safety Engineering
At Ford

Body Lightweighting

09:00am – 09:40am



Paper 1: Dr. Gerald COLE – President
At Light Weight Strategies LLC

**Light Weighting the Automotive
Industry - The Road to 2025 CAFÉ**

09:45am – 10:25am



Paper 2: Mr. Laurence CLAUS -
President At NMI Training & Consulting
Inc. & Technical Consultant To EJOT
Fastening Systems LP USA

**EJOT Fastening Solutions Enable
Lightweight Body-in-white Assembly**

10:25am – 11:00am

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Tea, Snacks, Networking, Tech
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11:00am – 11:40am



Paper 3: Dr. Akio NIIKURA - General
Manager R&D Division At UACJ Corp.

**UACJ's Global Strategy And
Approach To The Automotive
Aluminum Market**

11:45am – 12:05pm



Paper 4:
Mr. Lawrence E. BROWN – Executive
Director At Lightweight Innovations For
Tomorrow

**Lightweight Innovations For
Tomorrow!!!!**

12:10pm – 12:40pm



Closing Keynote:
Ms. Laura ANDERSON – CEO At
Aluminum Blanking Company

**The Story Behind Aluminum's
Sourcing Evolution: A North
America Perspective**

12:40pm – 12:45pm



Summary:

Mr. Jost GAERTNER, Managing
Partner At AluMag Automotive
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12:45 pm – 01:30pm



Reception Speech With Snacks &
Finger Food

Mr. Michael KOEHLER - Industry Vice
President At Reed Exhibitions USA

01:30pm – 05:30pm



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TITLE

Lightweight Transmission & Driveline Components: Practical Challenges

ABSTRACT

- OEM conflict: fuel/weight vs. cost
- Audience participation: Poll
- Challenges for Transmission & Driveline
- Ford strategies for weight optimization
- Conclusions

Short Biography

Craig Renneker

Title: Chief Engineer, Front-Drive Systems, Transmission & Driveline Engineering, Ford Motor Company

Education: Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from General Motors Institute (now Kettering University), 1986

Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University, 1987

Experience: Mr. Renneker joined Ford Motor Company in May, 2000. Since then he has overseen the development and launch of several automatic transmission programs, including the TorqShift 5-speed, CVT, 6R60, 6F50, 6F35, 6R140, HF35 and DPS6 used in a variety of Ford products. He now has responsibility for the new 9&10-speeds jointly developed with GM.

Responsibilities: Mr. Renneker has responsibility for the development of all new automatic and hybrid transmission programs within Ford, as well as all component engineering activities. **Professional activities:** Ford Technical Advisory Board, Society of Automotive Engineers (member, session organizer), Car Training Institute Transmission symposium (advisory board member and speaker).



Lightweight Transmission & Driveline Components: Practical Challenges



Craig Renneker

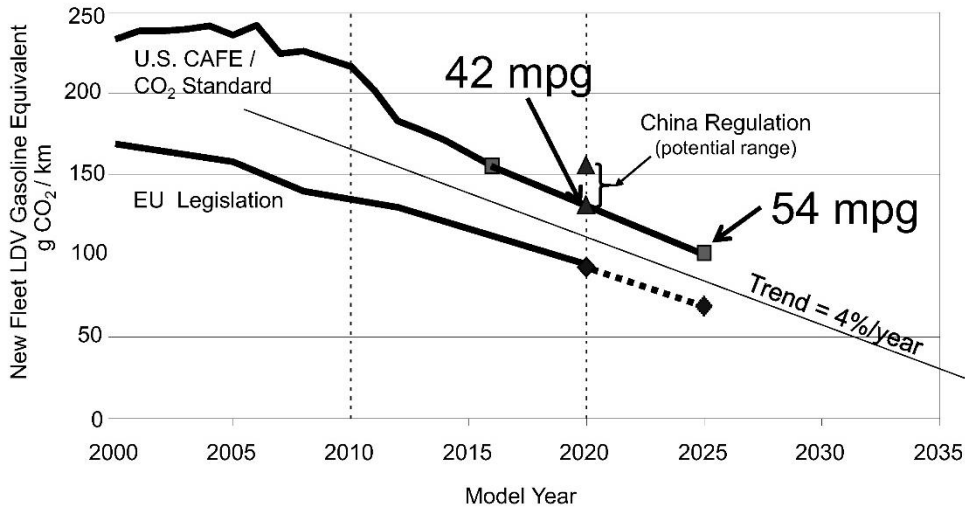
Chief Engineer – New A/T Programs & Component Engineering
Transmission & Driveline Engineering

Agenda

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The Driver: Global CO₂ Reduction



Weight reduction will be needed to meet these goals.

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- BUT – will customers pay for the required technology?

Manufacturer	June 2013 Transaction Price	May 2013 Transaction Price	June 2012 Transaction Price	Percent Change June 2012 to June 2013	Percent Change May 2013 to June 2013
Chrysler (Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram, Fiat)	\$29,876	\$29,964	\$ 29,590	1.0%	-0.3%
Ford (Ford, Lincoln)	\$33,272	\$33,089	\$ 31,947	4.1%	0.6%
GM (Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, GMC)	\$33,218	\$33,147	\$ 32,824	1.2%	0.2%
Honda (Acura, Honda)	\$27,165	\$27,082	\$ 27,055	0.4%	0.3%
Hyundai/Kia	\$22,529	\$22,608	\$ 22,121	1.8%	-0.3%
Nissan (Nissan, Infiniti)	\$28,311	\$27,816	\$ 28,283	0.1%	1.8%
Toyota (Lexus, Scion, Toyota)	\$29,177	\$29,004	\$ 27,910	4.5%	0.6%
Volkswagen (Audi, Porsche, Volkswagen)	\$33,802	\$33,698	\$ 33,368	1.3%	0.3%
Industry	\$31,125	\$30,978	\$ 30,508	2.0%	0.5%

Source: TrueCar, Inc.

- Customers may tolerate 2% annual price increase = ~\$617
- We need 4% fuel economy increase annually
- \$617/4% = \$154 per % fuel economy increase
- BUT: customers are also demanding additional vehicle content (safety, performance, infotainment, etc.) competing with those \$

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Audience Participation: Text Message Polling

- Sample question
- How much are OEMs willing to pay for a 1% reduction in fuel consumption?
- How much are OEMS willing to pay for a 1 kilogram mass reduction?

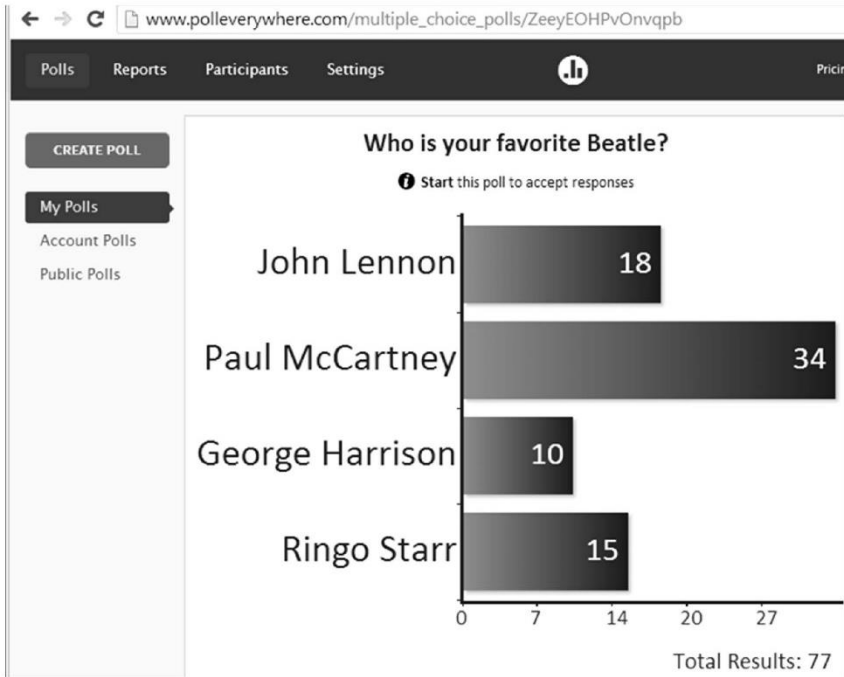
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How To Vote via Texting EXAMPLE

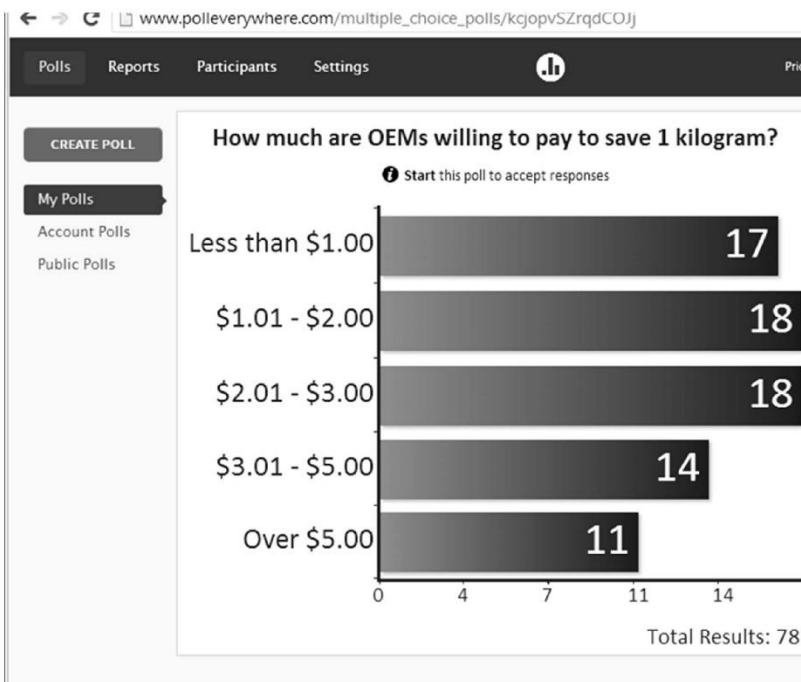


- TIPS**
1. Standard texting rates only (worst case US \$0.20)
 2. We have no access to your phone number
 3. Capitalization doesn't matter, but spaces and spelling do

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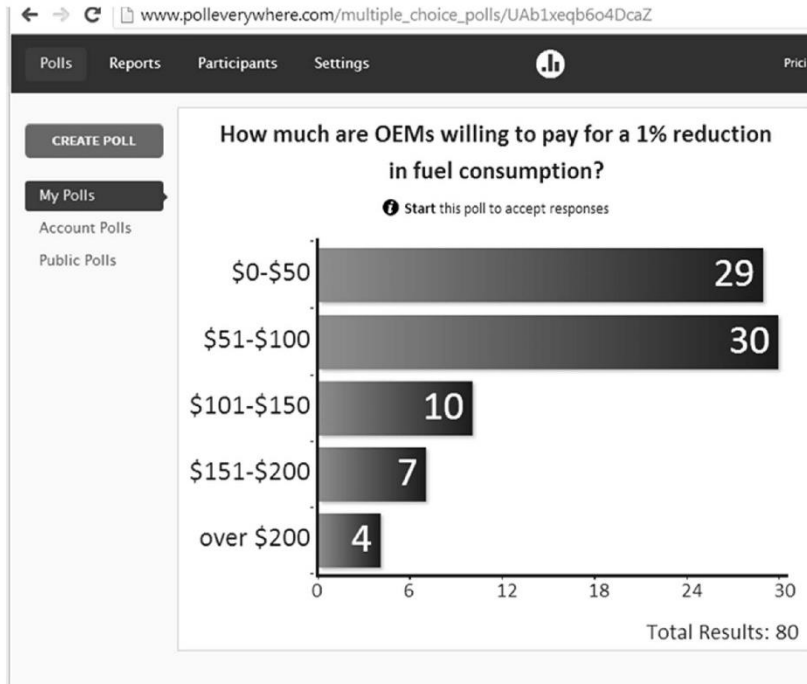


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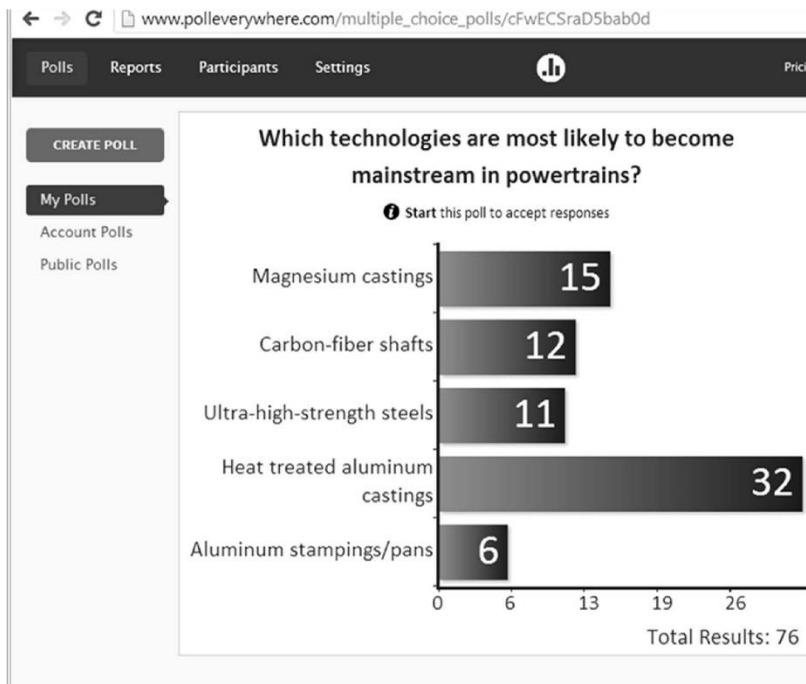


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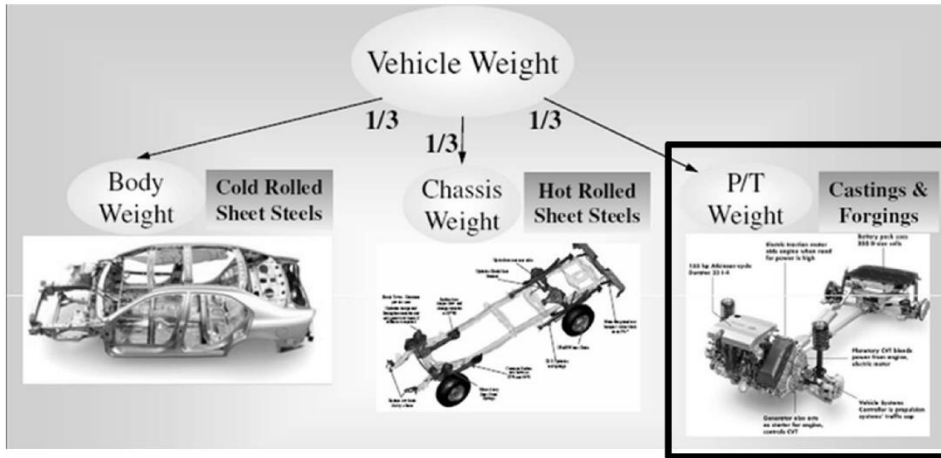


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Role of Powertrain in Vehicle Mass

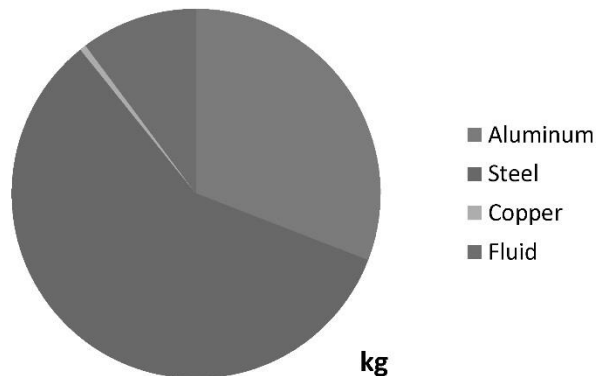


The Powertrain makes up ~1/3 of total vehicle weight

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Typical Automatic Transmission Weight Split



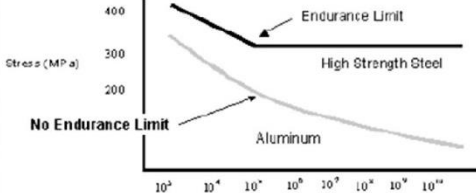
Steel is still the primary material in a typical automatic transmission

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Duty cycle requirements



Fatigue Comparison



Aluminum 5052-O	= 124 MPa at 50(10 ⁷) Cycles
Dual Phase 000	= 307 MPa (Endurance Limit)
TRIP 600	= 336 MPa (Endurance Limit)

Practically speaking, steel is the only practical choice for many transmission & driveline parts

- Shafts
- Gears
- Springs
- Bearings
- Torque converters

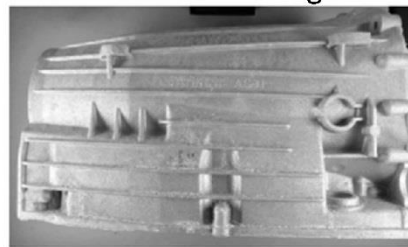
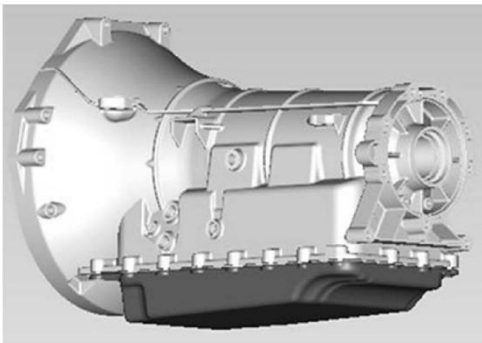
Modulus!!!

Steel is the primary choice for many transmission components

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Transmission Case: Aluminum or Magnesium?



AS 31 HP transmission case

Mercedes magnesium case

- Die cast aluminum is the most common material for transmission cases
 - Mercedes & VW are notable users of magnesium for auto trans cases
- Why don't more OEM's use magnesium?
 - Density/stiffness ratio is only marginally better than aluminum
 - Inherent creep issues limit application to low-stress designs (e.g. RWD)
 - The supply base for large, magnesium castings is very limited
 - Classic magnesium machining concerns

Magnesium is still relatively rare in high-volume applications

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Ford Magnesium Success: Transfer Case



- Ford's supplier/partner Borg Warner produces a high-volume transfer case with a magnesium housing
- Millions have been produced for F150 pickup trucks and other applications
- Cost/weight trade-off is close – but favors magnesium
 - Enabled by relatively low stress and temperature requirements

Ford uses magnesium in the driveline: via Borg Warner

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Planetary Carrier Construction Options

Carrier construction	Cost	Integral features	Weight	Strength
Welded steel stampings	Low	Simple	Base	Base
Powder metal	Med	Complex	Base	Hi
Aluminum casting	Hi	Simple	Low	Lo



Stamped steel



Powder metal



Cast Aluminum

Aluminum carriers are likely to be used more frequently

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Torque Converters: oil & steel



- Torque converters present special challenges for the use of lightweight materials.
- The housings are generally stiffness-limited – requiring steel modulus
 - High-speed centrifugal load
 - Pressure
- Stators are typically aluminum, (Chrysler has magnesium)
- All available space is filled with oil
- Damper content is INCREASING converter weight (e.g. pendulums)
 - Turbo direct-injection creates torsional spikes similar to diesels

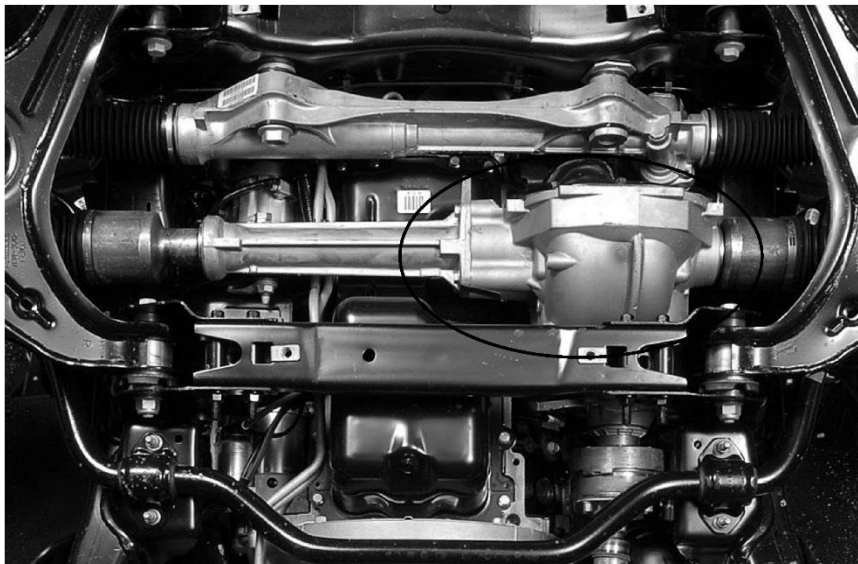


Torque converters will remain a popular launch device: getting heavier!

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F150/Expedition Front Axle Carrier



Ford is a leader in the use of high-strength aluminum in truck axles

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Axle housing alternatives

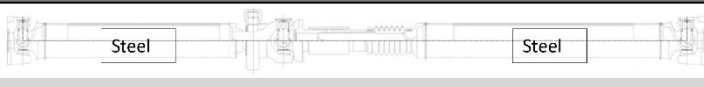
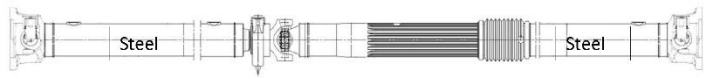
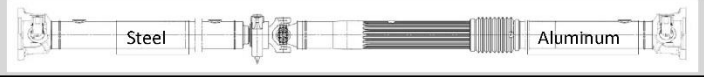
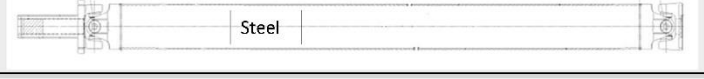

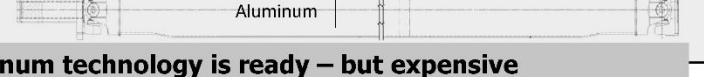
	Magnesium	Aluminum				Iron	
	Die Cast	Die Cast	Low-Pressure Vertical	Squeeze Casting	Semi Permanent Mold	Ductile Iron	Compacted Graphite Iron
Density – gr/cm ³	1800	2700	2700	2700	2700	7000	7000
Material YTS - MPa	130	160	290	290	179	310	350
Modulus - GPa	45	69	69	69	69	170	150
Density-stiffness ratio	40	39	39	39	39	41	46
Density-YTS ratio	13.8	16.9	9.3	9.3	15	22.6	20.0
Supplier Availability	R	Y	R	R	Y	Y	R

Heat-treated aluminum castings are good choices: need more suppliers!

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Driveshafts: Aluminum vs Steel

Weight savings (kg)	Cost Increase	Driveshaft Design
base	base	
1	-	
3	++	
5	--	
6	++	
8	-	

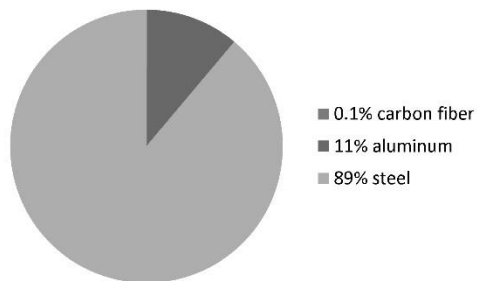
Aluminum technology is ready – but expensive

Driveshafts: Carbon Fiber vs Steel

Weight savings (kg)	Cost Increase	Driveshaft Design
base	base	 Steel
4	++++	 Carbon Fiber

Carbon fiber is very expensive – not yet ready for high-volume

Ford Driveshaft Material Usage



Aluminum use decreased from 18% in 2010 to 11% in 2013

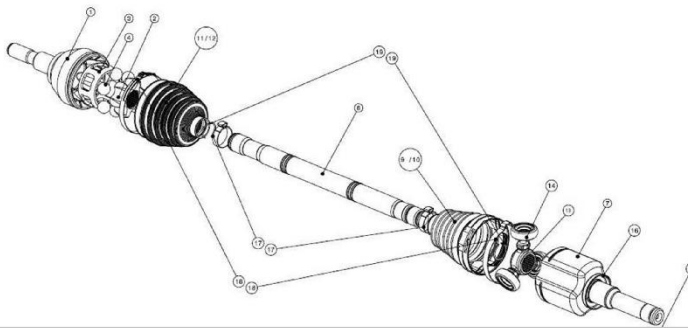
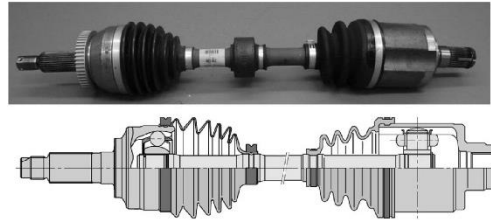
Why don't we use more aluminum driveshafts?

- The weight "buy" is marginal – vehicle teams spend their money elsewhere
- This should change and favor aluminum as "lower-hanging fruit" is exhausted

Steel will dominate driveshafts until aluminum cost/weight improves

Halfshafts: Can they be lighter?

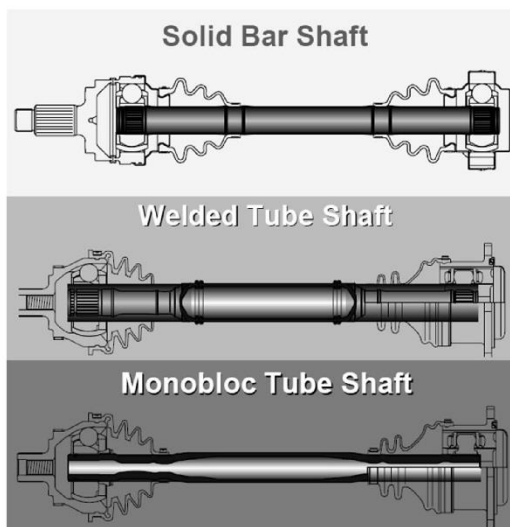
- Halfshafts are very highly stressed
 - High-cycle loads
 - Hard, tough surfaces for sliding elements
- Stiffness is as important as strength
- Package environment is cramped
- Steel is the practical material choice



Steel is the dominant material in halfshafts

Light-weight Halfshafts

- Hollow shafts provide some opportunity
- Two alternatives:
 - Welded tubing
 - Monobloc
- Neither provide a compelling cost/weight “buy”
- Ford volume continues to be dominated by traditional solid-bar halfshafts



Hollow shafts help – but \$\$\$

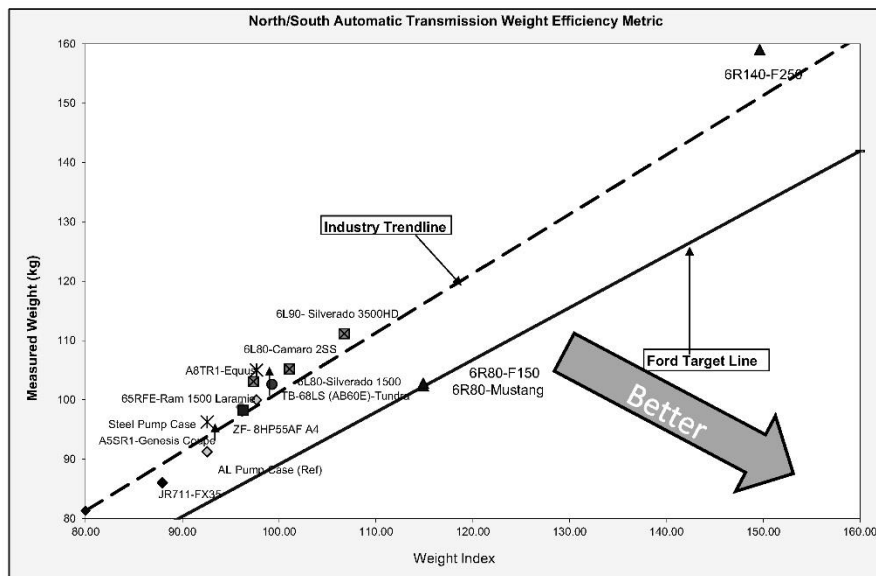
Ford Strategies to Reduce Weight

- Weight efficiency analysis for every part
- Vehicle duty cycle data acquisition to define customer requirements
- CAE automated weight optimization
- Increased model complexity
- Continued development for lightweight materials

A structured weight analysis process is needed.

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Weight Efficiency Metrics



Ford uses Weight Efficiency Metrics for every part in the vehicle

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Duty Cycle Optimization

- Ford invests heavily in gathering real-world load data for all vehicle systems
- North American and European road systems and drive cycles are well documented. Adding new global regions regularly
- Fully-instrumented vehicles with acquisition systems generate terabytes of data
- Time-history format data; can retrieve damaging events and project to 150K/ 250K miles

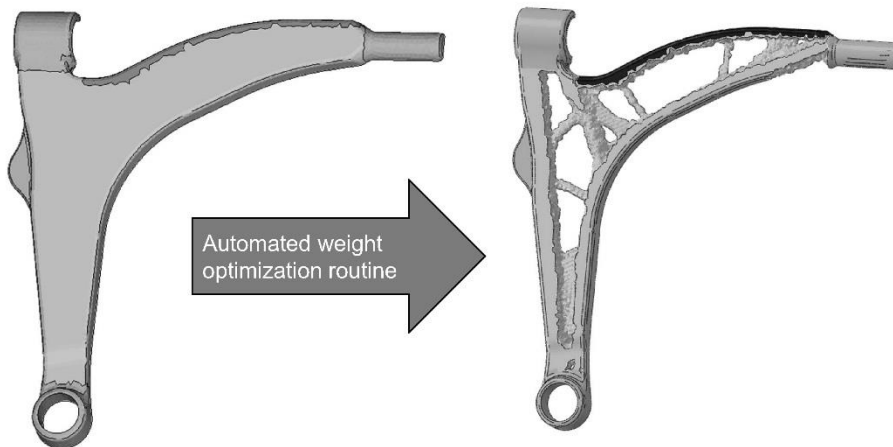
US-Specific Example

5 Cities	Boston Denver Phoenix Pittsburgh Yellowknife
3 Types of Routes	City Rural Expressway
3 Driving Aggressiveness Levels	Mild Moderate High
3 Road Severity Levels	Smooth Moderate Rough



We must know how our customers drive – in every global market

Weight Optimization with CAE



Example: Front suspension lower control arm

ATOM (Abaqus 6.11)

Ford makes extensive use of automated CAE weight optimization

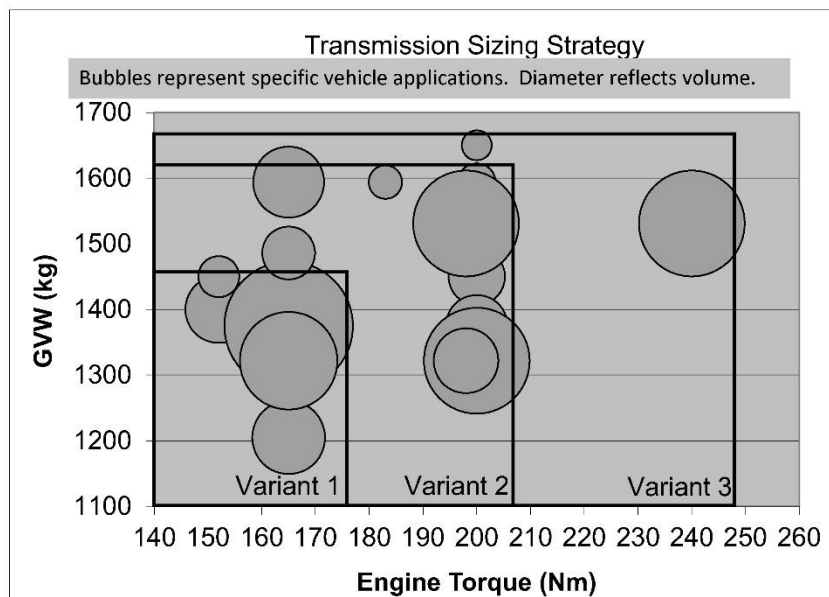
What if we push too far?



Push to the limit, then add a little back in!

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Increased complexity for weight optimization



Pressure for weight optimization will increase model complexity

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Conclusions

- The pressure to reduce weight will only intensify
- The pressure to reduce cost will not abate, keeping trade-offs challenging
- We need to expand our supply base for high-strength, low-weight components
- We will continue a structured weight optimization process
- Our product complexity will expand as we optimize size to match customer needs
- There are no easy answers, only opportunities for engineering work
- Ford intends to aggressively push for weight reduction to maintain fuel economy leadership

Thank you for your attention!

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EFFICIENCY**

Lightweighting HD Vehicles

November 10, 2015
Lightweighting Symposium

An effort of the Carbon War Room and the North American Council for Freight Efficiency



Today



Mike Roeth, Executive Director, NACFE & CWR
Karl Mayer, Director, Meritor

- Trucking Efficiency
- Fleet Fuel Study
- LWing Confidence
- Manufacturer Perspective
- Questions and Answers



Trucking Efficiency



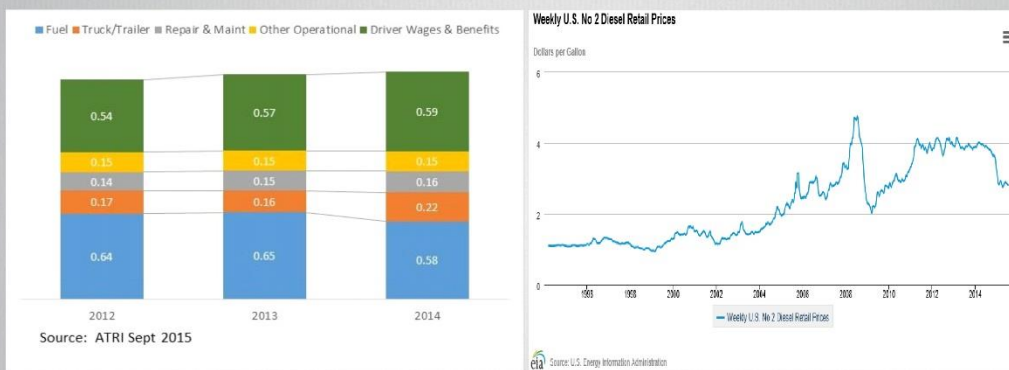
Dedicated to doubling the efficiency of North American goods movement

We pursue this goal in two ways:

1. By improving the quality of information flow and
2. By highlighting successful adoption of technologies



Fuel Costs



\$75,000/year 1% savings = \$750 year/truck



Annual Fleet Fuel Study



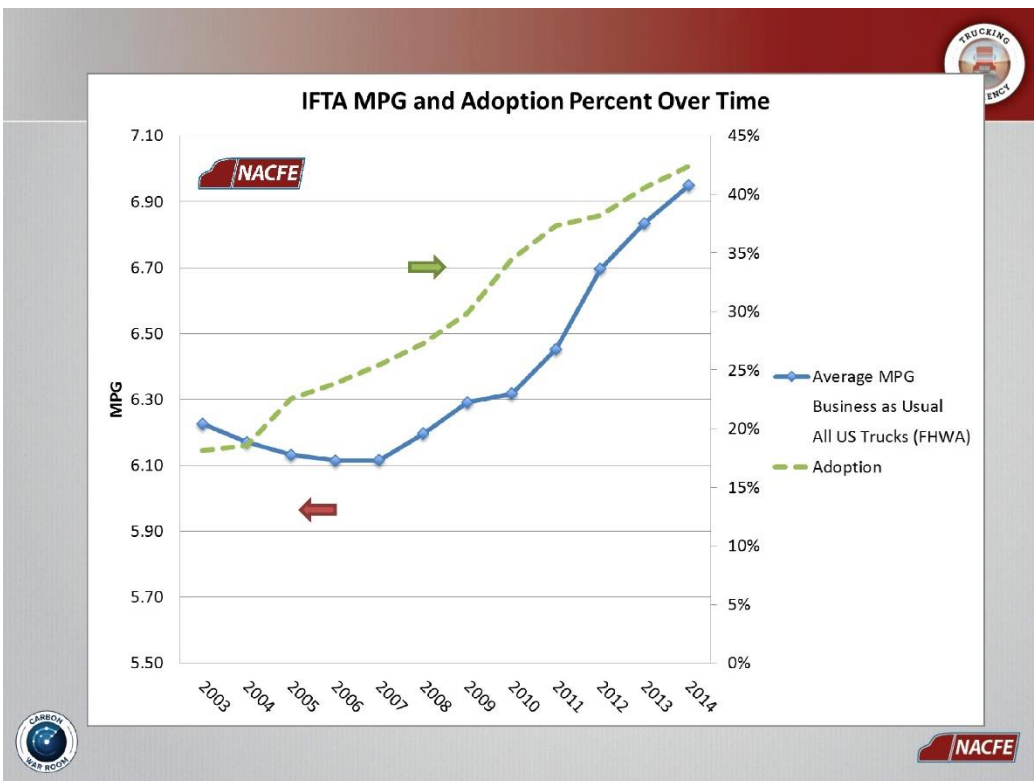
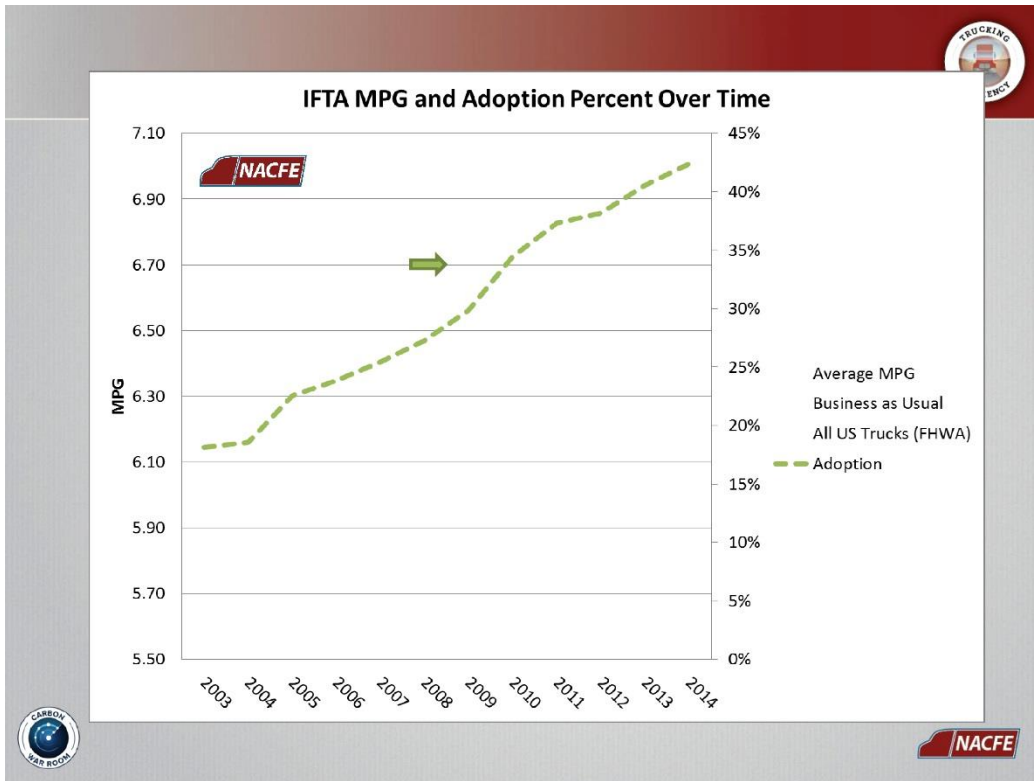
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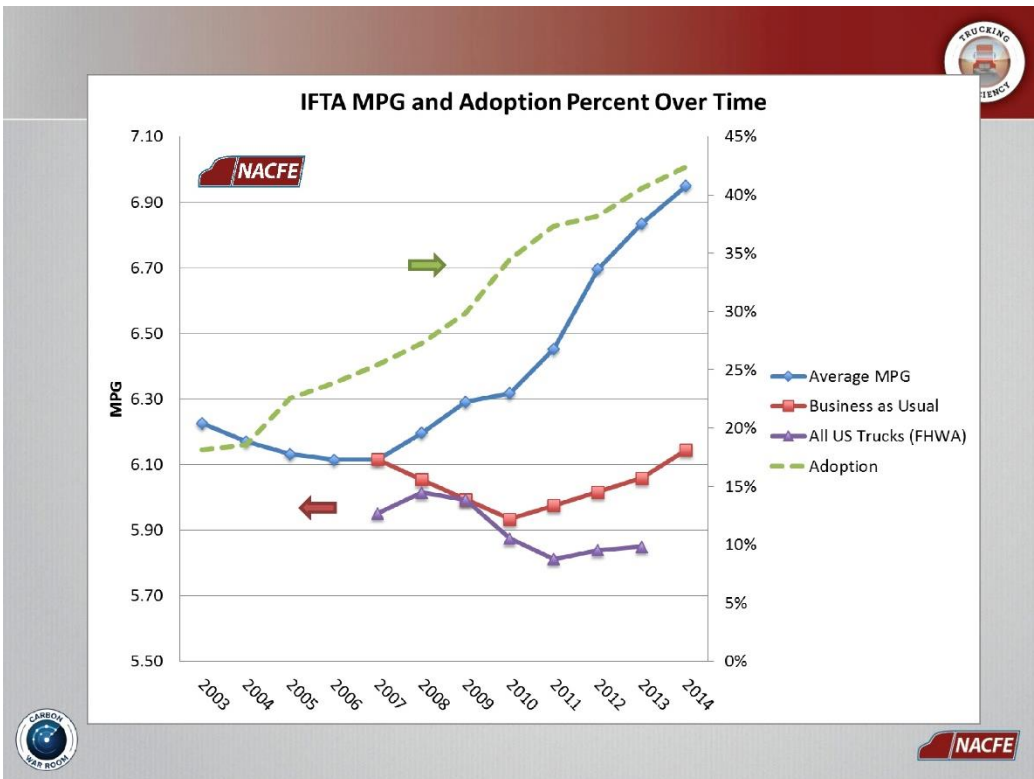
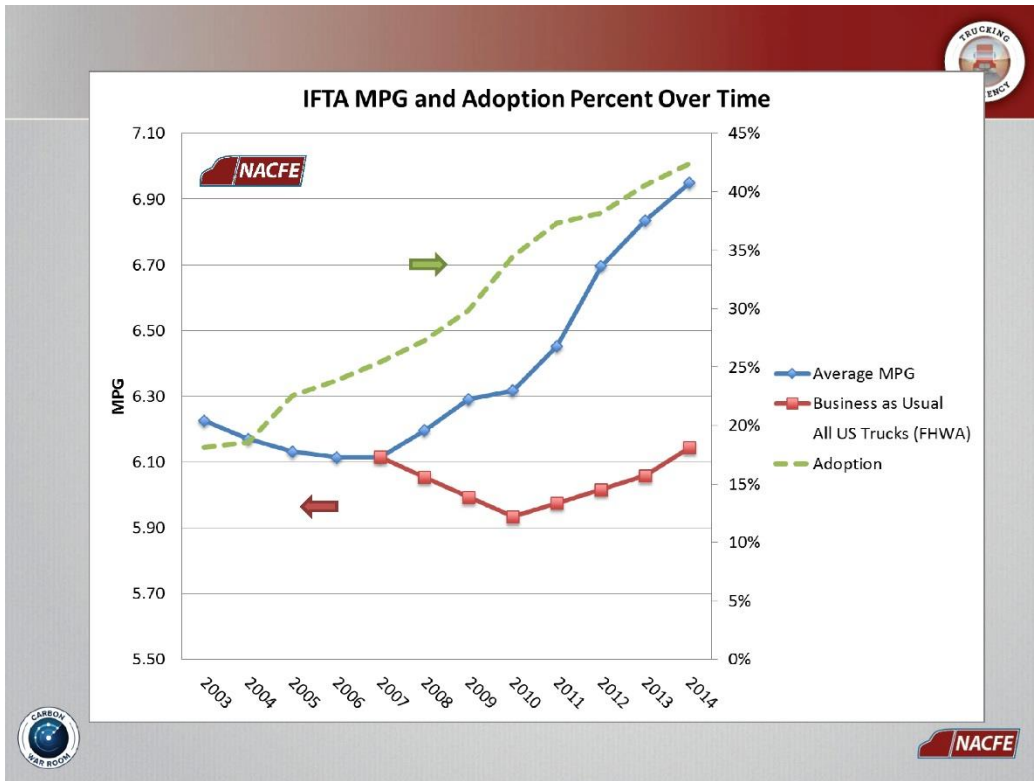
- Which ones are most popular on new trucks?
- Did they keep buying them?
- Are they delivering fuel savings?



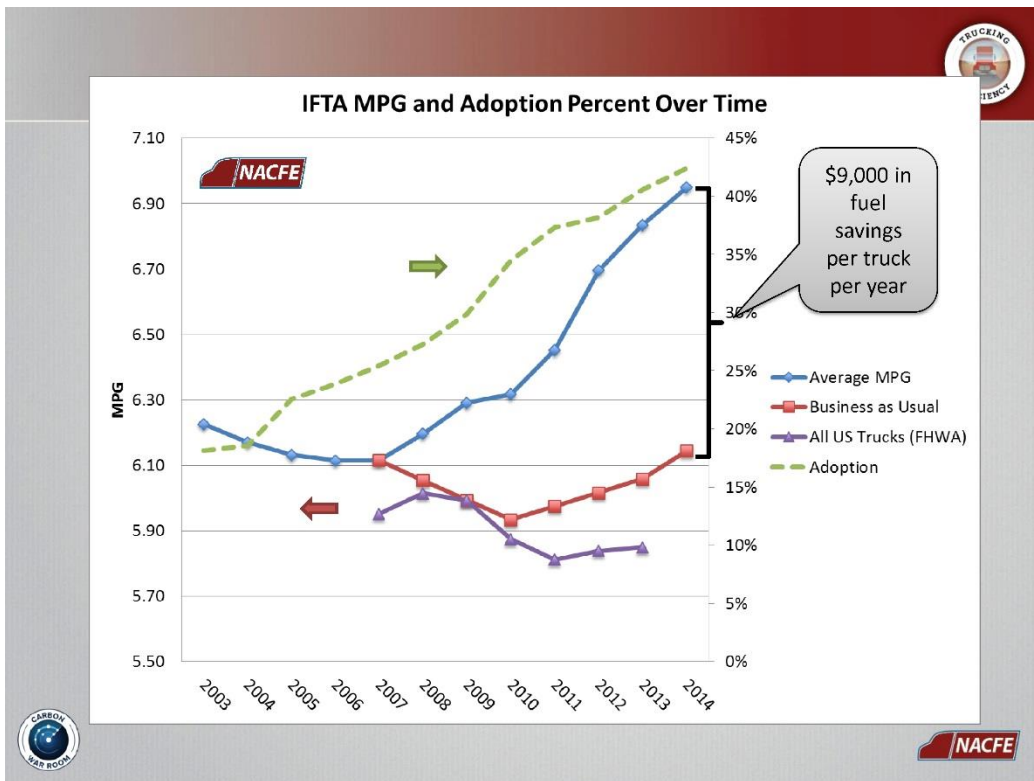
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Gov't Interest in Fuel Efficiency

- US EPA's SmartWay "voluntary" in 2004
- CARB legislation implemented in early 2010
- EPA / NHTSA Heavy Duty Greenhouse Gas Rule: Phase 1
- EPA / NHTSA Heavy Duty Greenhouse Gas Rule: Phase 2



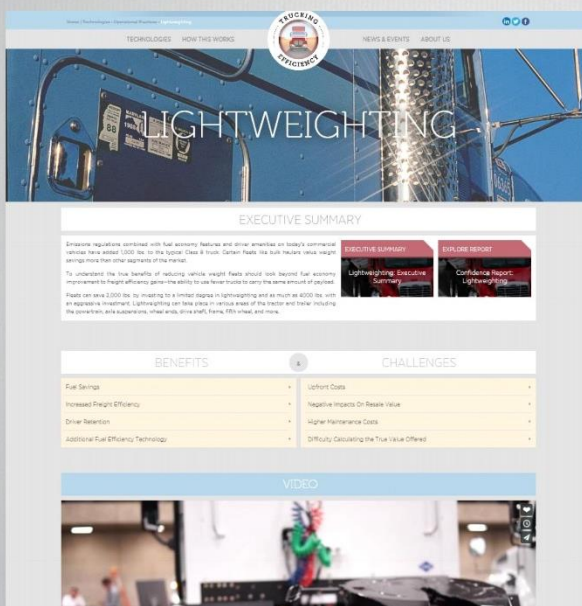
Helping YOU Make Decisions



- Confidence Reports
- Decision-Making Tools
- Workshops
- Tech Guide at www.truckingefficiency.org
- Thought Leadership
- Industry Events
- Collaboration



Study Released August '15



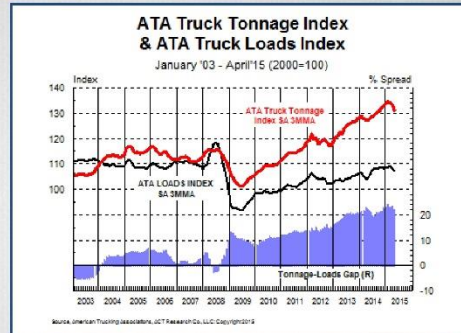
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Why Lightweighting?



- Industry Trends
 - Tractors and Trailers have gotten heavier
 - Denser Freight
 - More Pallets/Trailer
- Shippers asking for more Payload
- Three “Categories”



- Category 1**
 - Bulk
 - Grosses Out Every Trip
- Category 2**
 - Reefer & Dry Van
 - Sometimes Gross Out
- Category 3**
 - Reefer & Dry Van
 - Seldom Gross Out



Weight over Time



- Tractors, and to some extent Trailers, have gotten heavier
 - Emissions
 - Driver Amenities
 - Fuel Economy Features
- Actions
 - Mild Lightweighting
 - Aggressive Lightweighting



Benefits and Challenges



Benefits & Enablers

- Regulations
- Increased Freight Efficiency
- Improved Fuel Economy
- Sustainability Goals
- Additional FE Technologies

Challenges & Consequences

- Upfront Cost
- Residual Value
- Maintenance Costs
- Redundant Product Testing
- Driver Retention
- Ability to take Advantage
- Over-spec



Fuel Efficiency Technology




Feature	Estimated Weight (lbs.)
Full chassis fairings	360
Trailer skirts	180-250
Tail skirts	120-175
APU (Federal law allows 400 lb. exemption for this weight)	400-500
AMT	150-500
TOTAL WEIGHT ADDED FOR FUEL ECONOMY	1,210 lbs.

+ Compressed natural gas (CNG) 1500-2000 lbs


Measurable fuel savings, at the expense of weight.



Lightweighting




Value in Dollars per Pound



Category 1

- Bulk
- Grosses Out Every Trip


\$6-11 / lb saved



Category 2

- Reefer & Dry Van
- Sometimes Gross Out



\$2-5 / lb saved




Category 3

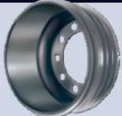


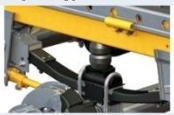
- Reefer & Dry Van
- Seldom Gross Out



\$0-2 / lb saved

Material Conversion



Product	Baseline	Conversion	Weight Savings per Tractor
BRAKE DRUM 	Iron	Steel shell with iron liner	168 lbs
WHEEL 	Steel	Aluminum	307 lbs
FRAME RAILS 	Steel	High Strength Steel	200 – 300 lbs
LEAF SPRINGS 	Steel	Composite	125 lbs per Trailer

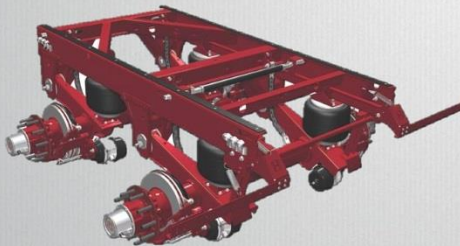



Design Integration



Wide Base Wheels

Weight Savings 400 lbs / tractor
308 lbs / trailer



Trailer Slider Box

Optimized steel design
Weight savings 100 lbs
Lower cost



Right-Sizing

Fuel Tanks



Hours of Service (HOS) = 11 Average fuel economy = 6 mpg Average speed = 55 mph
11 hours * 55 mph / 6 mpg = 101 gallons

@ 7 lbs / gal diesel, an extra 50 gal = 350 lbs → Equivalent to weight of trailer skirts or AMT



Future Innovations



- Materials
- Design
- Improve quality of current offering to increase take rate



Study Findings



- Findings
 - Heavier equipment
 - Denser freight
 - Fleets hesitant to LW
 - Industry trends indicate need for LWing will increase
 - Fuel economy and freight efficiency
 - Opportunities exist, and more coming
- Recommendations
 - Category 2 and 3 fleets should begin to explore LWing (lightweighting).
 - Supply chain collaboration can bring down costs and shorten lead time.
 - Fuel efficiency depends on lightweighting due to other technologies







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Meritor Business Overview & Lightweight Solutions

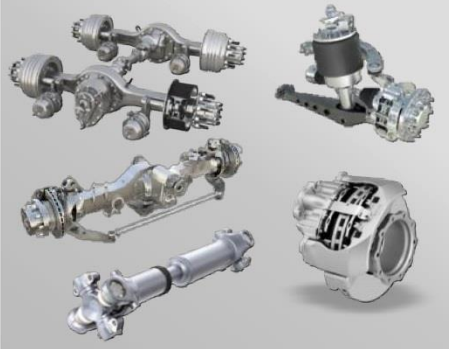
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Business Segments



Commercial Truck & Industrial

- Drivetrain systems and components, including axles, drivelines, braking and suspension systems
- Medium- and heavy-duty truck markets in North America, South America, Europe and Asia Pacific
- Truck, defense and specialty



Aftermarket & Trailer

- New and remanufactured axles, brakes, suspensions, transmissions and components for all-makes aftermarket customers
- Wide variety of undercarriage products and systems for trailer applications

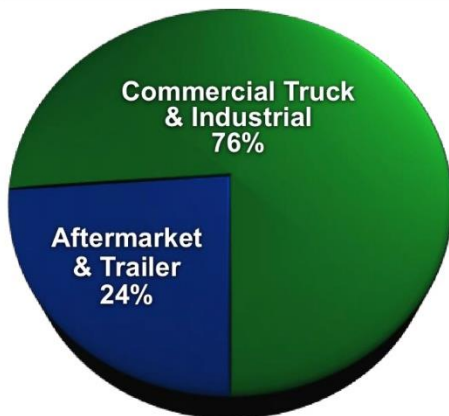


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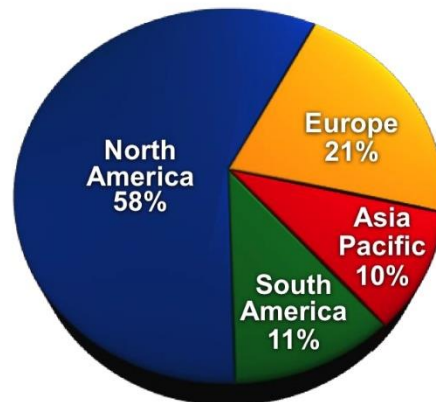
Globally Diverse Business Portfolio



FY14 Sales by Segment



FY14 Sales by Region



FY14 Sales \$3.8B

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Lightweight Solutions – Available Today



Meritor has multiple solutions that can save 400 lbs or more

Front Axles
Optimized designs
30-60lbs per truck

Air Cam Brakes
Stamped brake spiders can
save 6.5 lbs per wheel end

Aluminum Axle Carriers
Saves 90lbs per truck

Steelite X30
Spincast process saves
12-18 lbs. per drum

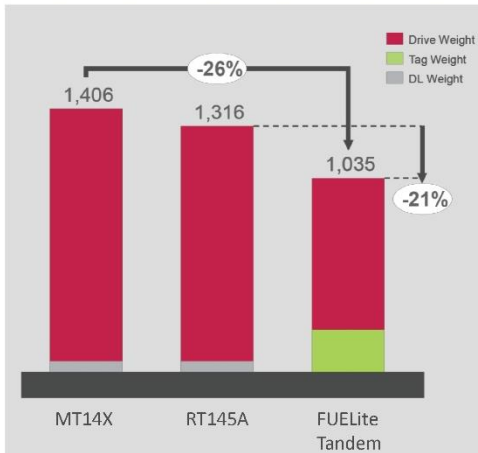
MTec6™
Saves 80lbs per trailer

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FUELite 6x2 Tandem Drive Axle- Benefits



LIGHTER WEIGHT FUELite Tandem



¹Weights will vary based on configuration and ratio (this weight based on std. track, 9.5mm wall housing, std diff carrier, 17T yokes and std angle interaxle propshaft)

²Weights will vary based on configuration and ratio (this weight based on dualtrac, 12.7mm wall housing, DCCL carrier, 17T yoke & torque rod bracket on tag axle)

- Weight savings:
- Nearly 400lbs lighter than typical linehaul tandem

400
lb. WEIGHT REDUCTION

- Fuel Efficiency
- Estimated 2% fuel savings

2%
INCREASE IN FUEL EFFICIENCY

* Actual fuel savings may vary and will depend on a variety of factors beyond Meritor, Inc.'s control, including load, vehicle type, driver performance, distances traveled, vehicle speed, road conditions, etc.



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Future Opportunities for Lightweighting



Meritor will continue to research and develop components with the following in mind:

- Alternative steel types
- Aluminum
- Composites
- Design optimization and component integration

Use of aluminum structures for trailer suspensions



Suspension and Axle Interface



Integration of brake structure and knuckle

- The challenge of alternative materials is the cost benefit equation.
 - OEM customers want products at same/similar price.
- Limited market (bulk haulers) in the industry will pay a premium for lightweighting

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Questions?



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TITLE

**Analysis Of Cost Drivers When Buying Lightweight Solutions / Materials &
The Elimination Of These**

ABSTRACT

77% of the total energy required to cast an aluminum part in HPDC is spent in the melting and holding process, before the metal reaches the shot sleeve on any HPDC Machine.

Millions of Dollars are unnecessarily wasted every year in gas consumption and in metal loss during the melting process.

Efficient melting processes will not only improve the quality of the metal that is discharged from the melting furnace, but it also reduces the cost drivers associated with melting aluminum – as previously mentioned, in gas consumption and metal losses.

Thus, the metal quality and profitability of every die caster or foundry starts in the melt shop.

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„The efficiency
of a **casting process**
starts in the **melt shop.**“

*Quote from a leading die-caster
and long-time StrikoWestofen customer*

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SUPPLYING FOUNDRIES FOR OVER 60 YEARS

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Rudolf Riedel - CEO StrikoWestofen Group

› „As a globally acting company with over **60 years of history** in thermal process technology we have a very good sense for the needs of our customers.“

› „More than **8,000 units sold worldwide** are proof and basis for our continuous innovations.“

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- › Subsidiaries, sales and service partners
 - › In 25 countries
 - › Throughout Europe, Asia and America



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TOPICS COVERED

Industry Bell Curve

Operational Costs of the Melt Shop

Reduction of Energy Consumption

Increasing Metal Yield & Melting Capacity

Return on Investment – Shaft Melting

Dosing Process Control

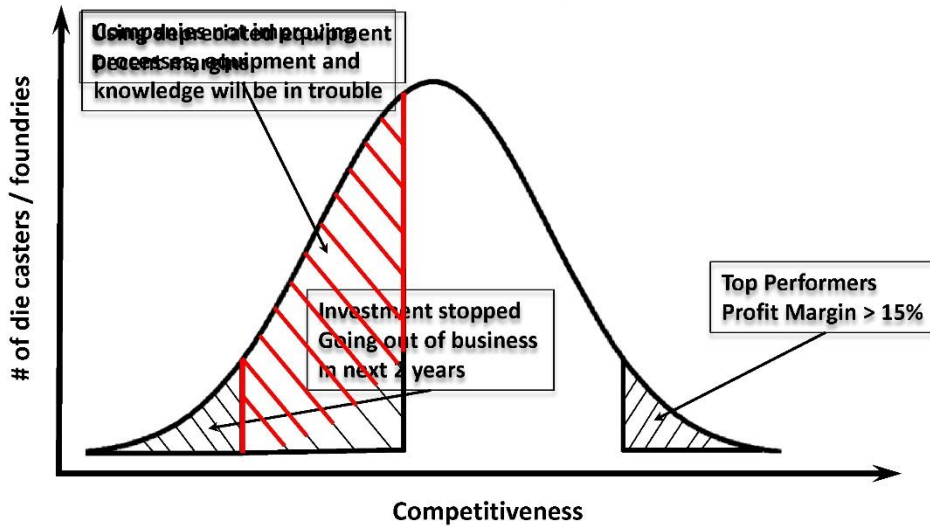
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INDUSTRY BELL CURVE

3 years later...



OPERATIONAL COSTS OF THE MELT SHOP:

Energy Costs and Metal Loss Drive Operational Costs

- › Over 95% of the total cost of furnace ownership is generated by
 - › Energy consumption
 - › Loss of metal
- › 77% of the energy used for an aluminum die-casting operation goes into
 - › Melting process
 - › Holding process
 - › Dosing process

*Source: NADCA Survey



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Keep melt shop costs down
STRIKOMELTER®: Shaft Melter

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REVERB FURNACE

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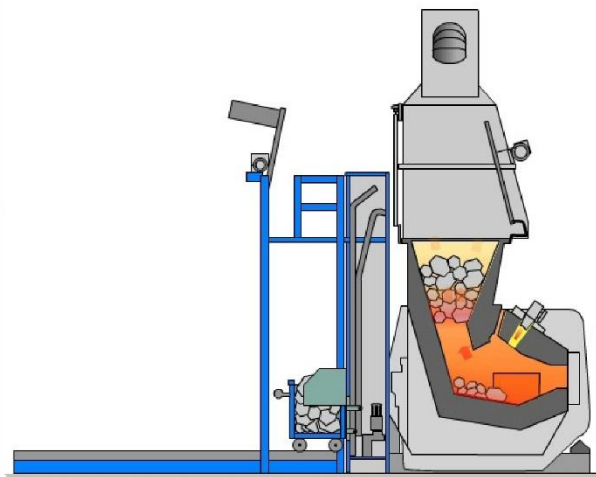
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REDUCTION OF ENERGY CONSUMPTION: **Advantages of Shaft Melting Furnaces**

- › **ETAMAX® shaft geometry**
uses hot exhaust gases from holding and melting to preheat the charging material

Results:

- › **Rapid melting process**
- › **High melt quality**
 - › Minimal oxide inclusions
 - › Density index 6% or better
- › **Low energy consumption**
- › **Reduced CO₂-emissions**



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REDUCTION OF ENERGY CONSUMPTION: Benefits of Lower Gas Consumption

- › Molten aluminum above 1220°F can absorb high amounts of hydrogen
 - › Gas-fired melting process can increase hydrogen content in aluminum
 - › Hydrogen must be minimized via degassing before casting process
-
- › Especially important for thin-walled structural castings
 - › Melting technology key factor to success at HPDC



REDUCTION OF ENERGY CONSUMPTION: Benefits of Lower Gas Consumption

- › Energy consumption of less than 850 BTU/lb (validated under operating conditions)
-
- › Savings of 10 to 60 percent compared to competitive technologies



REDUCTION OF ENERGY CONSUMPTION: Benefits of Lower Gas Consumption

- › **CO₂ emissions of 129 kg/t**
 - › Compared to 180 kg/ton with other tower melter
- › **CO₂ savings / year**
 - › Emissions of 400 – 900 cars



INCREASING METAL YIELD AND MELTING CAPACITY: Shaft Melting Process Advantages

- › **Metal yield up to 99.7 %**
 - › Ex. Melting 10 mil. lbs./yr,
1% metal loss savings
=\$100,000 / year
at \$1.00/lb.



- › **High productivity**
 - › Charging ingots and
production returns



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INCREASING METAL YIELD AND MELTING CAPACITY: Shaft Melting Process Advantages

› Sludge

- › Forms when holding temperatures are too low, below 1225°F

› Corundum

- › Forms when holding temperatures are too high and in difficult-to-clean areas



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Theoretical/Best Practice Energy Use In Metalcasting Operations

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SUMMARY ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND MELT LOSS: 3rd Party Verification

Table 21 - Aluminum Melt Furnace Comparisons

	Melt		Tapped				Ship**
	Gross Btu/pound	Melt Loss	Btu/pound	Btu(10 ⁶)/Ton	Tacit Btu/pound	Tacit Btu(10 ⁶)/Ton	Tacit Btu(10 ⁶)/Ton
Reverberatory Gas Furnace AFS Article (25)	1,975	5.5%	2,090	4.18	2,142	4.28	6.59
Reverberatory Gas Furnace Actual*	2,418	5.5%	2,559	5.12	2,623	5.25	8.07
Stack Melter, Die Cast Facility(26)	703	1.25%	712	1.42	730	1.46	2.25
Stack Melter Actual	861	1.25%	872	1.74	893	1.79	2.75

* "Actual" is the total energy usage including downshifts and weekends based on running at 50% of rated capacities. (Actual data on die casting operation stack melter.) Reverberatory "Actual" using the same ratio of energy differences as stack melter.

**Tons shipped considered 65% of melt. (Yield)

<http://energy.gov/eere/amo/downloads/itp-metal-casting-theoreticalbest-practice-energy-use-metalcasting-operations>

ROI CALCULATION: Shaft vs. Reverb Melting Furnace Comparison

"Die Casting Direct"

Aluminum/day = 100,000 lbs.

Prod days/yr = 240

\$ / lb. Al = \$ 0.90

\$ / Therm = \$ 0.42

Current Furnace = 50,000 lb. Reverb

Melt loss = 4.2 %

BTU/lb = 2418

ROI CALCULATION:

Shaft vs. Reverb Melting Furnace Comparison

Annual gas savings:

$$240 \text{ days} \times 100,000 \text{ lbs./day} = 24 \text{ mil. lbs/yr.}$$

$$\text{BTU savings potential} = 2418 - 861 = 1,557 \text{ BTU/lb.}$$

$$1,557 \text{ BTU} \div 100,000 \text{ BTU/Therm} = 0.01557$$

$$24 \text{ mil lbs} \times 0.01557 \text{ Therms} \times \$ 0.42/\text{Therm} =$$

$$\text{\$ } 156,945/\text{yr.}$$

ROI CALCULATION:

Shaft vs. Reverb Melting Furnace Comparison

Annual Melt Loss Savings:

$$4.2 \% \text{ Reverb} - 1.25 \% \text{ Shaft} = 2.95 \% / \text{lb.}$$

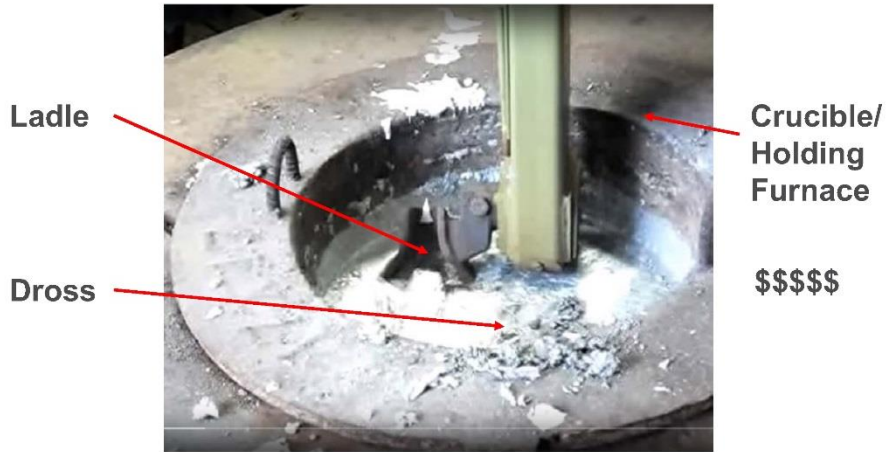
$$24 \text{ mil lb.} \times \Delta 2.95 \% \times \$ 0.90/\text{lb Al} =$$

$$\text{\$ } 637,200/\text{yr.}$$

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DOSING PROCESS CONTROL:

Status quo in 80% of North American Die Cast Facilities



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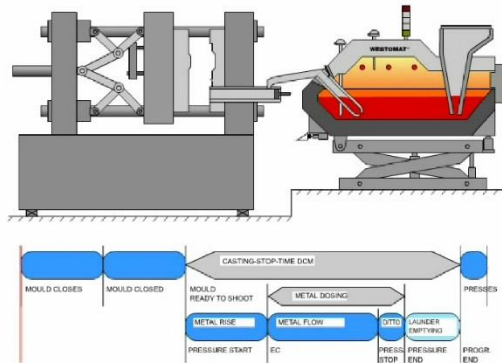


The WESTOMAT[®] has virtually become a synonym for dosing furnaces. After all, it guarantees the highest precision and is more economical than automatic ladling systems with dipping furnaces by two thirds of energy consumption. Suitable for dosing from high pressure to sand casting.

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DOSING PROCESS CONTROL:

Westomat[®] for HPDC, Gravity and Sand Casting



- › Lowest energy consumption: 1/3 electricity of conventional ladle system
- › High dosing accuracy, up to +/-1%
- › Best metal quality; least disruption of metal in dosing process; porous plugs available
- › High productivity; uptimes to 98%
- › Long life time

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DOSING PROCESS CONTROL:

Energy, Melt Loss, Melt Quality, Repeatability

› Energy consumption



› Metal yield



› System availability



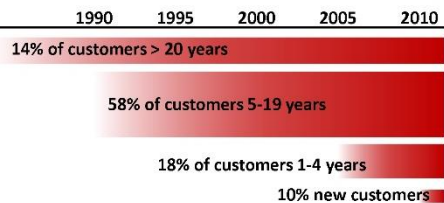
STRIKOWESTOFEN: Forming Long-Term Partnerships

- › Customer base
 - › leading manufacturers
 - › leading foundries
 - › around the globe

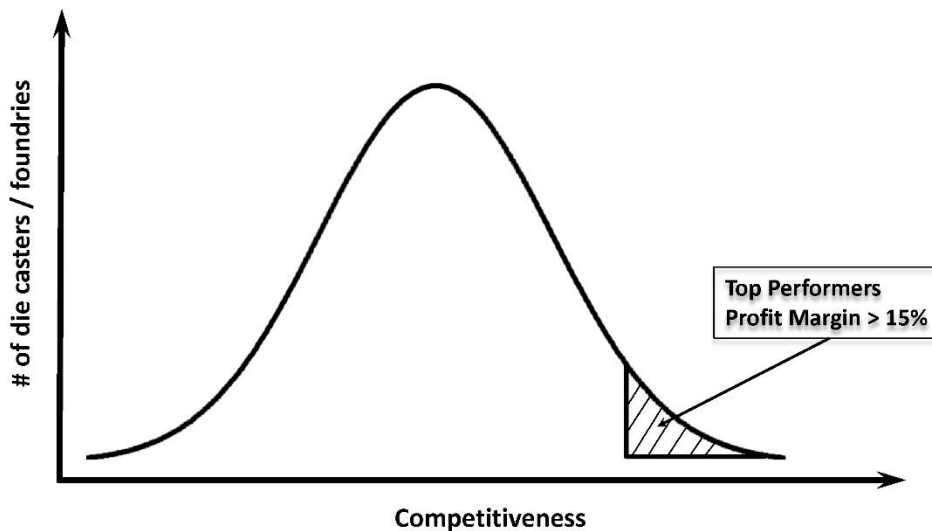
- › General Motors
- › Tesla
- › Magna
- › Pace Industries
- › Gibbs Die Casting

- › Partnerships over decades
 - › 14% > 20 years
 - › 58% 5 – 19 years
 - › 18% 1 - 4 years

Duration of StrikoWestofen's customer relationships



INDUSTRY BELL CURVE



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2015 DIE CASTING COMPETITION WINNERS



> 5 awards presented for HPDC aluminum castings

- > 1 x < 1 lb Castings
- > 2 x 1 -10 lbs. Castings
- > 1 x > 10 lb. Castings
- > 1 x Structural Die Casting

✓ All 5 using StrikoWestofen melting and/or dosing equipment!

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Chassis & Suspension Weight Reduction By LPDC Aluminum With Hollow Cross Sections

ABSTRACT

Lightweight construction is a dominant theme in the automotive industry. The latest emission standards and CO2 fleet requirements of governments are forcing our customers to find new ways to reduce the weight of the vehicle. This ranges from lighter, yet more stable crankcases via weight-optimized chassis parts.



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TITLE

Chassis & Suspension Weight Reduction By LPDC Aluminum With Hollow Cross Sections

ABSTRACT

Lightweight construction is a dominant theme in the automotive industry. The latest emission standards and CO2 fleet requirements of governments are forcing our customers to find new ways to reduce the weight of the vehicle. This ranges from lighter, yet more stable crankcases via weight-optimized chassis parts.

Today new developments in the field of sand core production, casting machines and process technology allow structural parts and crankcases to be produced with the low-pressure casting.



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Agenda

1. **Short introduction – Who is Kurtz?**
2. **General Topics and motivation to use LPDC**
 - Motivation
 - Casting process – Low Pressure Casting
 - Cost pressure
 - Process as a whole
3. **Layouts Casting Lines from experience**
4. **Application regarding light weight construction**
 - Properties cast parts
 - Productivity
 - Sand core technology
 - Type of sand cores
 - Core handling
5. **Summary and prospects**

1. Who is KurtzErsa?

Business Segments

Electronics Production Equipment

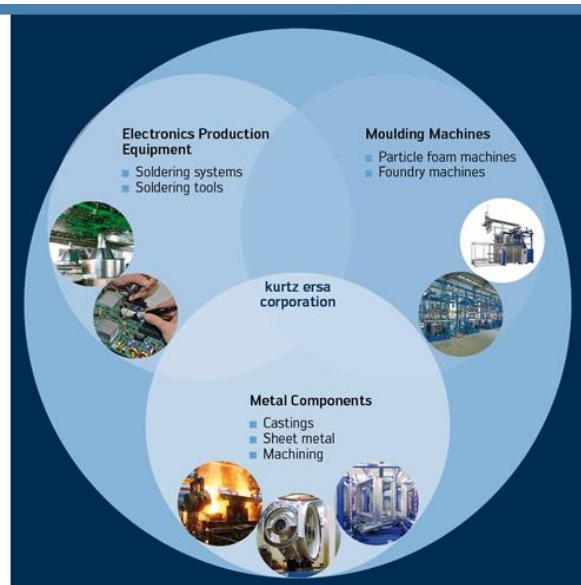
- Soldering systems
- Soldering tools

Metal Components

- Castings
- Sheet metal
- Machining

Moulding Machines

- Particle foam machines
- Foundry machines



Corporate history

- 1779 Forge hammer mill
- 1852 Iron foundry
- 1860 Machine factory
- 1971 Particle foam machines
- 1982 Aluminum foundry
- 1983 Casting machines
- 1984 Internationalization: USA
- 1987 Internationalization: China
- 1993 Soldering technology
- 1996 Sheet metal technology
- 1998 Kurtz Holding
- 2004 225th anniversary of kurtz ersa
Machinery factory Kurtz Zhuhai, China
- 2006 Internationalization: Russia
- 2007 Stencil printers
- 2009 Trimming presses
- 2011 New corporate identity
- 2012 New powder coating plant
- 2013 New assembly shop
- 2014 Anniversary 235 years Kurtz ErsalHammer Museum
- 2015 Opening SMART FOUNDRY



Where it all began: Forge hammer mill in Hasloch

kurtz ersa headquarters in Kreuzwertheim today



KURTZ Trimming Presses



KPS 3000 SKT



KPS 1000

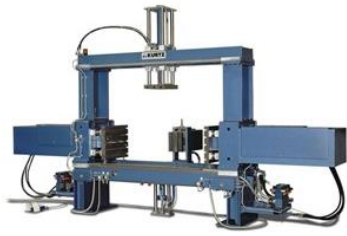


KPS 500



KPC 520

KURTZ Tilting and Gravity Casting Machines



AK10



AK01



Gravity Casting Cell

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KURTZ Low Pressure Casting Machines



AL 10-7 SC



AL 14-10 SR

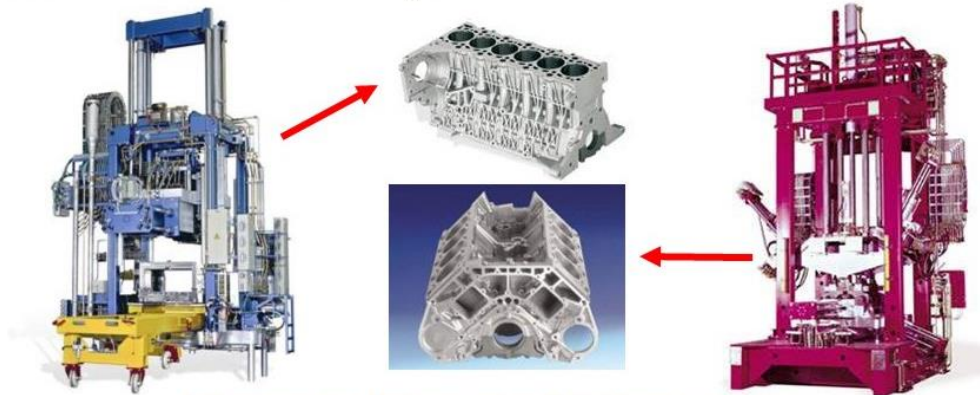


AL 13-13 FSC with furnace shuttle

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KURTZ Customized LP-Casting Machines

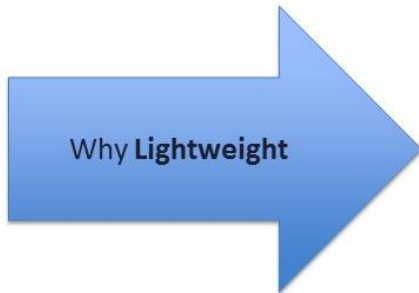


Following engine blocks are cast on KURTZ foundry machines:
BMW F1 – Racing, BMW V8, V10 and V12, Porsche V8 - Sports utility vehicle; Audi V6 and V8, BMW R6 Diesel, VW R5 and V10 Diesel, Jaguar V8, Land Rover V8

2. General Topics and motivation to use LPDC for Chassis and Suspension part casting

- Motivation
- Casting Process – Low Pressure
- Cost pressure
- Process as a whole

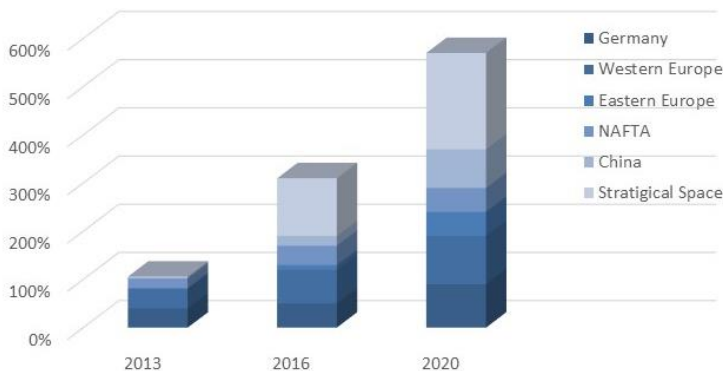
Motivation of our customers



- CO2 reduction
- Reduced fuel consumption
- Material substitution
- Component substitution
- Material Handling

Motivation of our customers

Development Purchasing Volume Chassis and Suspension LM-Castings



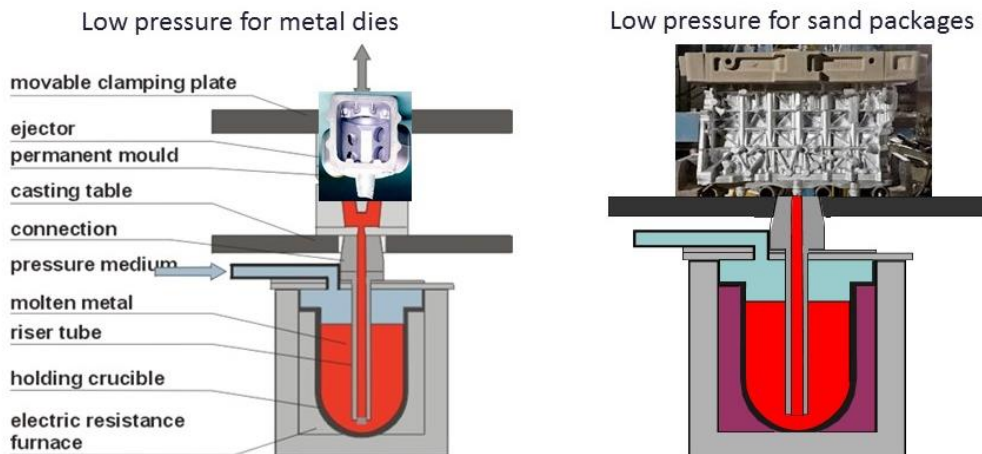
- Growth of market volume in Europe through use of more LM castings in chassis and suspension parts
- NAFTA grows with new automobile architectures
- China grows over proportional due to additional quantities

Graphs are courtesy of BMW

Requirements of machine- and process development

- Developing of inorganic core binder systems
- Developing of a special casting process with the use of low pressure machines
- Developing highly efficient LPDC machines and casting lines
- Special casting line concepts for highest AI material cleanliness

Basic Concept of Low Pressure Die Casting



Advantages and Benefits of Low Pressure

- ❖ **Controllable filling of the mold**
filling against gravity force
 - ➔ no turbulence
 - ➔ less oxide films
 - ➔ better mechanical properties
- ❖ **Feeding Pressure**
 - ➔ better mechanical properties
 - ➔ 1bar feeding \triangleq 6m height (Mg)
 - ➔ 1bar feeding \triangleq 4m height (Al)
- ❖ **Metal is kept within a closed vessel**
metal bath surface not disturbed or ruptured
 - ➔ cleaner material
- ❖ **Operation under a protected atmosphere**
 - ➔ no respectively low hydrogen content
- ❖ **Controlled solidification with pressurized furnace**
higher yield than with conventional risers
 - ➔ higher yield
- ❖ **Highly automated process**
 - ➔ less human faults

Comparison Gravity Die Casting – Low Pressure Die Casting

Example of yield:

Comparison of gravity die casting and low pressure die casting

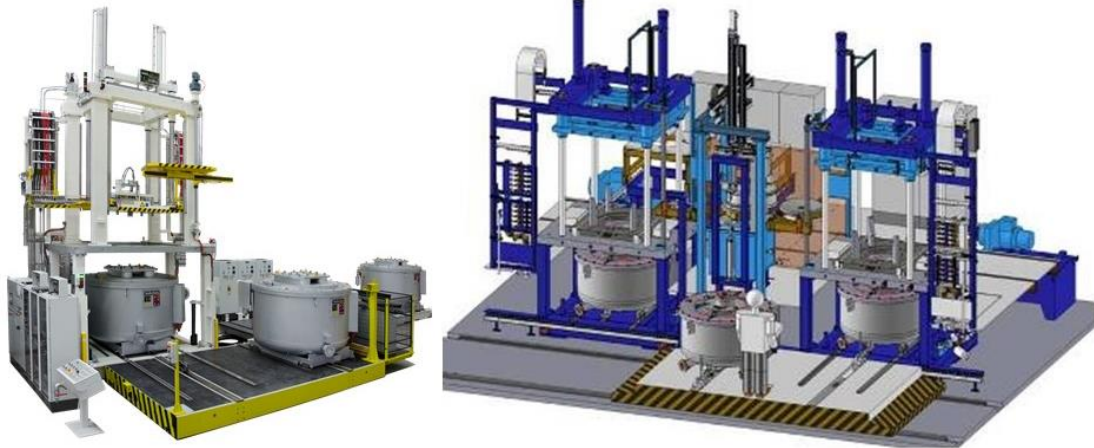


21,3 kg	Casting weight	12,2 kg
54%	Output	92%
7 pcs/h	Productivity	8 pcs/h

Example

- 50,000 parts / year
- 9 kg / part saving cycle
- = 450,000 kg aluminum
- 7% melting loss = 31,500 kg
- Total weight 481,500 kg
- Melting costs per kg \varnothing 0.50 € x 481,500 kg
- = 240,750.00 €

New Machine concepts



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Furnace exchange shuttles – 2800 kg Al



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Furnace Concept - Metallurgy

Furnace exchange with following advantages:

- Preparation of melt outside of casting unit
- Furnace under sealed conditions
settlement of melt
- No metal transfer after degassing
- Exchange of furnace within short time intervals
1 – 2 cycle down; “start“ furnace exchange within
non-productive time positive for thermal economy of tooling
therefore no or only few starting scrap due to furnace exchange
- Flexibility and different alloys



Furnace insulation / Energy costs



Cost reduction thanks to furnace insulation

- reduction of energy costs by 40 - 50 %
- Savings per year: approx. 50.000,- €
 - 300 kg furnace
 - 6 x 2 furnaces in line

Special mold cooling system – for optimized process control



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Tool change system – for very quick mold change overs

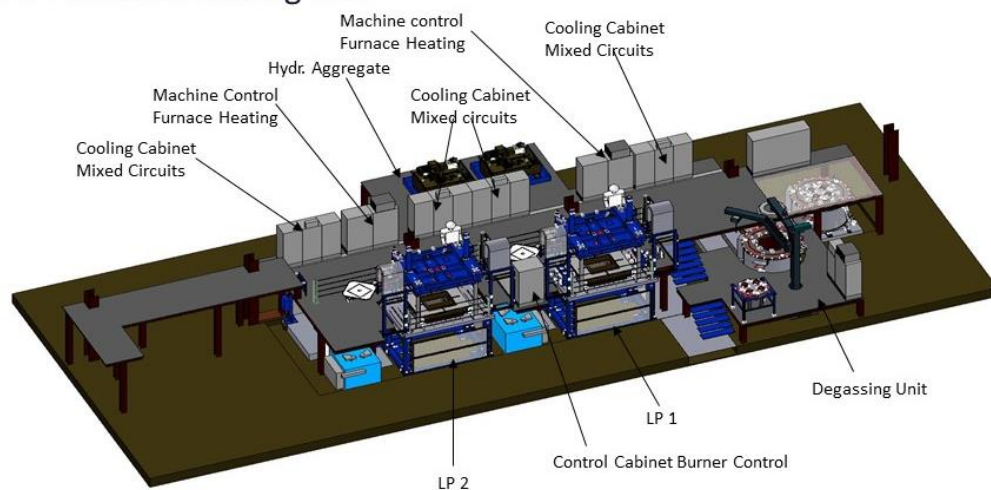


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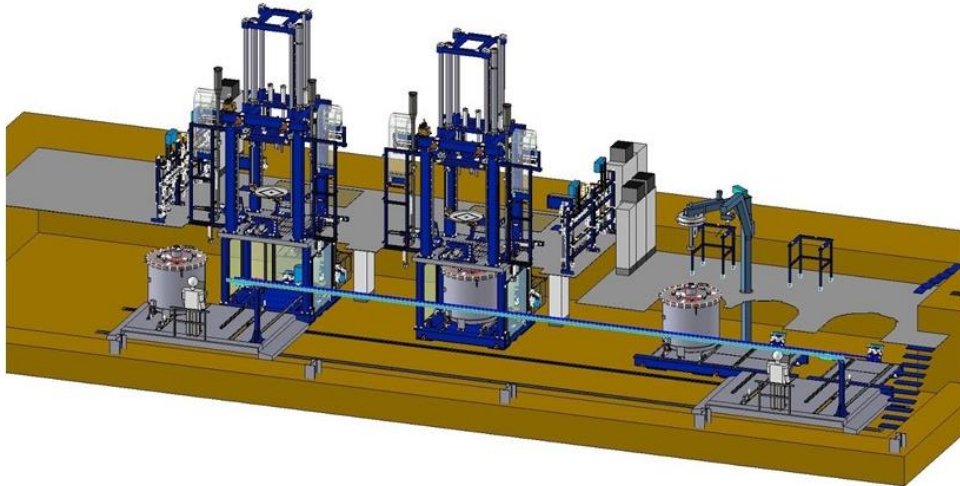
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3. Layouts Casting Lines from experience

Low Pressure Casting Line



Low Pressure Casting Line



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Low Pressure Casting Line



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Automation

Automation Tasks

- Core handling
- Insert sieves
- Casting removal
- Cleaning mould
- Cooling
- Marking with plausibility check
- Peripherals
- Unloading



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4. Application regarding light weight construction

- Properties cast parts
- Productivity
- Core technology
 - Type of cores
 - Core handling

Structure Part Side Beam for Al-Car Body

Product:
Side beam,
complex cast with cores
LP-Die-Casting
AlSi7Mg0,2 T6
Wall thickness $\geq 3,5$ mm

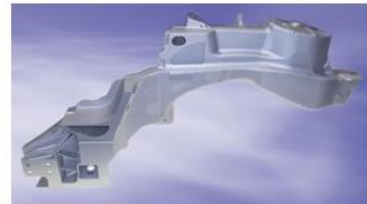
Mechanical Properties
(critical areas):

$R_{p0,2} \geq 160$ N/mm²
 $R_m \geq 240$ N/mm²
 $A_5 \geq 12$ %

Main Characteristics:

- Large dimensions
 - 1200 mm
- Thin walls
 - Actual 4 mm
 - Aim $\geq 2,5$ mm
- High ductility
- High yield strength

1200 x 800 / 20kg



Source: Martinrea Honsel Germany GmbH



Low Pressure WITHOUT Sand Core

Product: B8 knuckle front le/ri
Model: Audi A4, A5
Process: Low pressure die casting, 4 cavities
Scope: Casting, boring, blasting, heat treatment
Alloy: AlSi7Mg; 3,65 kg



Source: Georg Fischer Kokillenguss GmbH,
Herzogenburg, Austria

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Low Pressure WITH Sand Core / Suspension Part

Product: knuckle le/ri
Model: Porsche Panamera
Process: Low pressure die casting, 4 cavities
Scope: Core making, casting, de-coring, trimming,
sawing, heat treatment, processing
Alloy: AlSi7Mg; 4,35 kg



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Mechanical Properties Knuckle

Knuckle Porsche Panamera - Sandcore

Yield Strength

Target: 220 MPa

Actual: 222-260 MPa

Tensile Strength

Target: 260 Mpa

Actual: 288-336 MPa

Elongation

Target: 6 %

Actual: 6-12 %



Knuckle Audi B8 – no cores

Target: 220 Mpa

Actual: 239-286 MPa

Target: 280 MPa

Actual: 305-343 MPa

Target: 5 %

Actual: 5-14 %



Source: Georg Fischer Kokillenguss GmbH,
Herzogenburg, Austria

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Low Pressure WITH Sand Core / Suspension Part

- Product:** Transverse control arm le/ri
- Model:** Porsche Panamera
- Process:** Low pressure die casting, 2 cavities
- Scope:** Core production, casting, de-coring, trimming, sawing, heat treatment, processing, assembly rubber bearings
- Alloy:** AlSi7Mg; 3,70 kg



Source: Georg Fischer Kokillenguss GmbH,
Herzogenburg, Austria

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Low Pressure WITH Sand Core / Suspension Part

Product: Swivel bearing le / ri
Model: Porsche Panamera
Process: Low pressure die casting, 4 cavities
Scope: Core production, casting, de-coring, trimming, sawing, heat treatment, processing, assembly cone bushings
Alloy: AlSi7Mg; 4,20 kg



Source: Georg Fischer Kokillenguss GmbH, Herzogenburg, Austria



Mechanical Properties Swivel Bearing

Swivel bearing Porsche Panamera

Yield Strength

Target: 220 MPa Actual: 221-268 MPa

Tensile Strength

Target: 260 MPa Actual: 292-346 MPa

Elongation

Target: 6 % Actual: 6-12 %



Swivel bearing Porsche Panamera

Target: 220 MPa Actual: 228-265 MPa

Target: 260 MPa Actual: 293-344 MPa

Target: 6 % Actual: 6-12 %



Source: Georg Fischer Kokillenguss GmbH, Herzogenburg, Austria



Low Pressure / Suspension Part

Product: Cross beam
Model: Porsche Panamera
Process: Low pressure die casting, 2 cavities
Scope: Casting, trimming, sawing, heat treatment, processing
Alloy: AlSi7Mg; 6,1 kg



Source: Georg Fischer Kokillenguss GmbH,
Herzogenburg, Austria

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5. Summary and Prospects

Summary

- **Light weight construction / Core casting**
 - One cast part replaces several sheet metal parts which have to be joined together
 - Weight reduction
 - Profitably
- **Part geometry**
 - Dimensions of known suspension parts up to structural parts
 - Larger and more complex
 - Core technology– anorganic cores
- **Plant designs**
 - Casting machines and furnaces become larger
 - Multiple cavity 4- up to 8-cavities
 - Riser tube/ gating concepts more complex
 - More cooling and controlled
 - Melting/ furnace logistics

Reasons for low pressure casting

- **Casting requirements**
 - Mechanical properties
 - Elongation
- **Economical**
 - Cycle material
 - Profit by reduced energy costs – melting down
 - Profit by „Return cycle material – Recycling“
 - Cycle time – multiple cavities
- **All round part concept**
 - Easier way from cast part up to finished part
 - Less post-processing
- **Plant concepts / Investments**
 - The bottom line is economical!
 - Will stand every competition!

Prospects

- Light weight construction / core casting as promising casting
- Tailored universal machines in large format
 - Is our standard
 - Cycle time – multiple cavity
- Low pressure as intelligent concept
 - Classic low pressure casting
 - Low pressure casting combined with gravity casting
 - Cycle time by multiple cavity unbeatable
 - MORE than competitive, low pressure compared to high pressure die casting

**Thank you very
much for your
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HCM And Aluminum Forging – Partnership To Birth Chassis Parts' Safety

ABSTRACT

Car manufacturers are looking for ways to constantly improve their environmental impact and trying to reduce their carbon footprint. Aluminum is more and more becoming their favorite material due to its significant lighter weight and following advantages for fuel efficiency.

Beside the car body parts, the development activities are focused on powertrain and chassis parts. Bharat Forge Aluminiumtechnik (BFAT), manufacturer of control arms and knuckles, is able to realize significant weight reductions by combining aluminum with function optimized design layout and forging technology. Furthermore, the company has closed its loop of material recycling and the product's global footprint is reduced by 40% - an ideal constellation to master the current challenges.

HCM and Aluminum forging partnership to birth chassis parts' safety

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CONTENT COMPANY TECHNOLOGY PROSPECTS

COMPANY

- ➔ Key facts Bharat Forge
- ➔ Business unit Bharat Forge Aluminiumtechnik GmbH

TECHNOLOGY

- ➔ Product focus
- ➔ Al Casting vs. Aluminium Forging
- ➔ HCM – Base for chassis parts' safety

PROSPECTS

- ➔ BFAT – Al chassis specialist worldwide
- ➔ BFAT – Full service partner for OEM
- ➔ BFAT – Synonym for material and design improvement

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KALYANI GROUP

AUTOMOTIVE AXLE
KALAYANI STEELS
BF UTILITIES
KALAYANI LEMERZ
KALAYANI THERMAL SYSTEMS
BHARAT FORGE LTD
HIKAL LIMETED
KALAYANI GLOBAL
SYNISE TECHNOLOGIES
KALAYANI INFOTECH
EPI CENTER TECHNOLOGIES
KALAYANI CARPENTER SPECIAL STEEL

BHARAT FORGE CDP
(GERMANY)

BHARAT FORGE
ALUMINIUMTECHNIK
(GERMANY)

BHARAT FORGE KILSTA
(SWEDEN)

BHARAT FORGE GROUP

→ Forging Plants

→ Plants & Clients

● Headquarter

Group turnover 2013:
approx. 2.5 Bill. USD

Employees worldwide:
approx. 10,000

Business areas

- Automotive components and systems
- Steel production

- Special chemistry
- Renewable energies and infrastructure



GLOBAL LOCATIONS FOR LOCAL CONTENT SUPPLIES

(MULTI NATIONAL EXPERIENCE)



1 BHARAT FORGE LTD.
(PUNE, INDIA)

3 BHARAT FORGE CDP
(ENNEPETAL, GERMANY)

5 BHARAT FORGE AMERICA
(DETROIT, USA)

2 BHARAT FORGE
ALUMINIUMTECHNIK
(BRAND-ERBISDORF,
GERMANY)

4 BHARAT FORGE KILSTA
(KARLSKOEGA, SWEDEN)

6 BHARAT FORGE
ALUMINIUMTECHNIK US
FUTURE ALUMINIUM FORGING PLANT

BHARAT FORGE IS SPECIALIZED IN



BHARAT FORGE ALUMINIUMTECHNIK (BFAT) - GERMANY



- Turnover: 44 Mio. EUR (2014)
- Material consumption: 12,000 t (Aluminium)
- Employees: 280
- Key products: control arms, knuckles
- Forging capacity: 3,5 Mio parts p.a.
- Parts weight: 2 - 7kg

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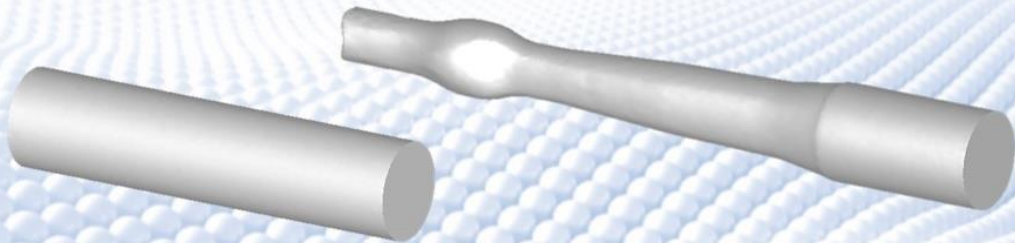
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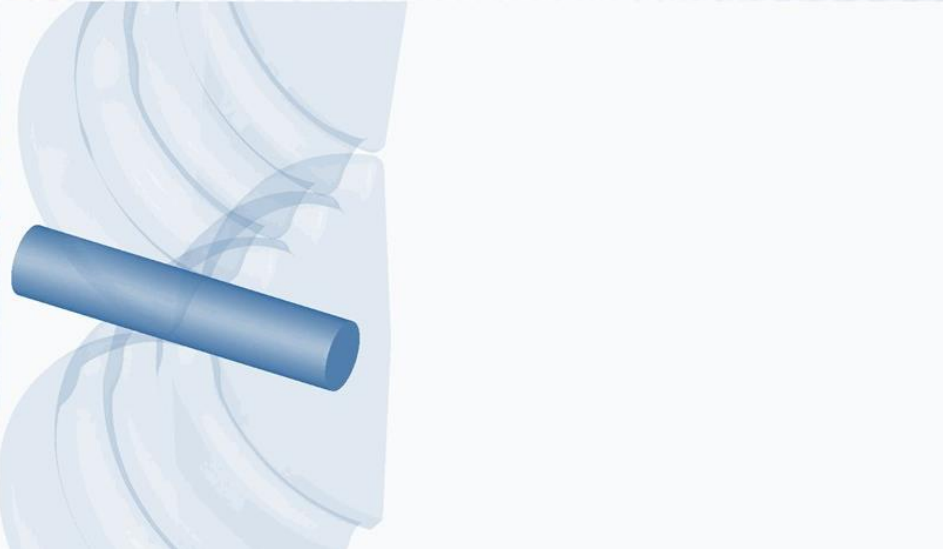
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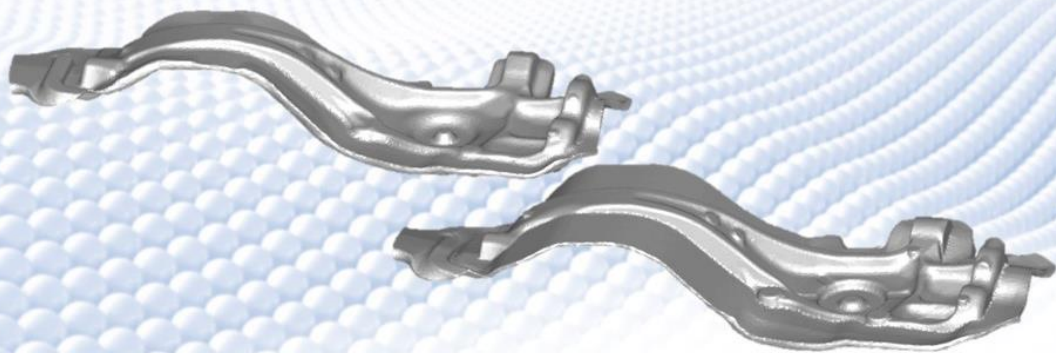


- Rolling (fully automated)
- Chamfering of material bars
 - Heating in continuous furnace
 - Rolling in 4 passes
 - Transfer to main press

ROLLING



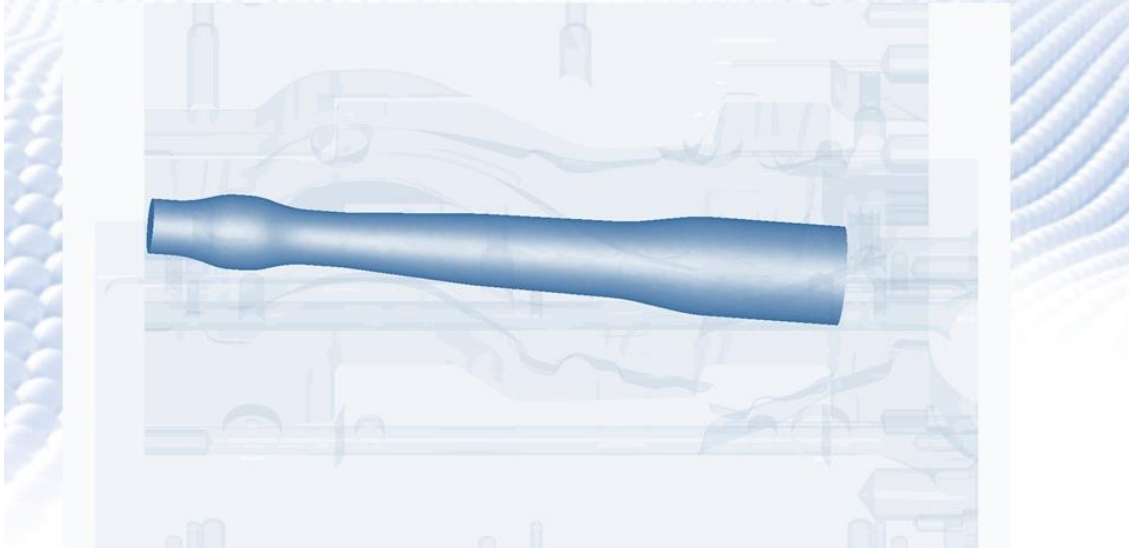
FORGING



- Forging process contains pre-forming and finish forging
- Repeatable, fully-automatic chained process
- Hot trimming

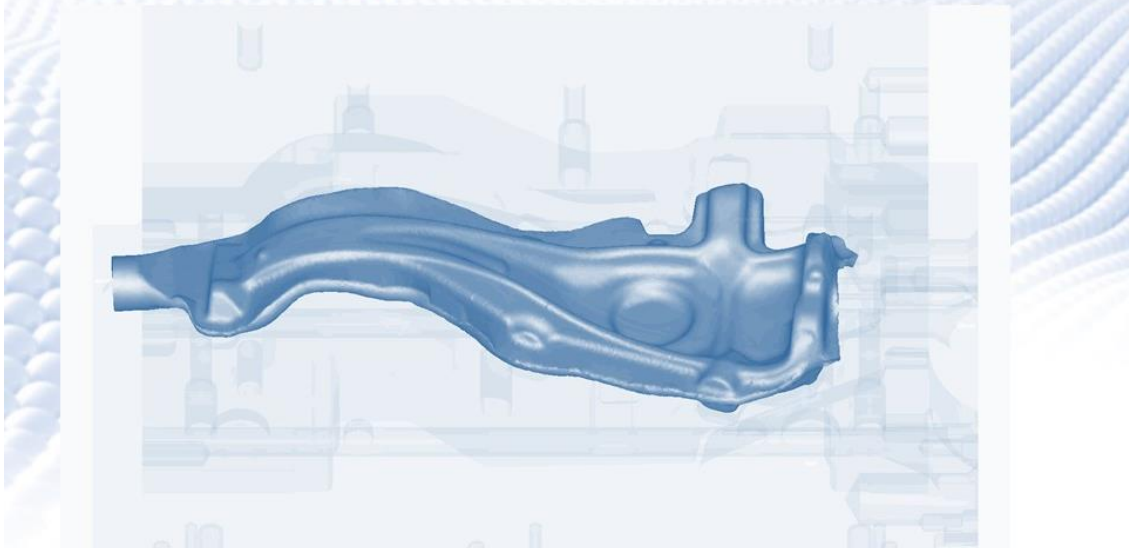
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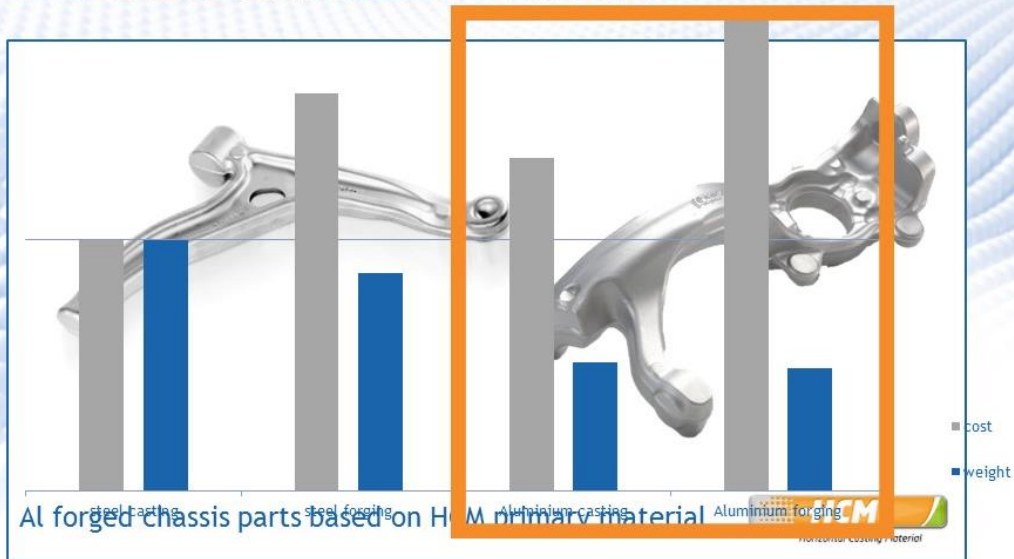


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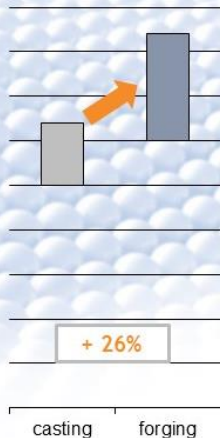


STEEL TECHNOLOGIES VS. ALUMINIUM TECHNOLOGIES

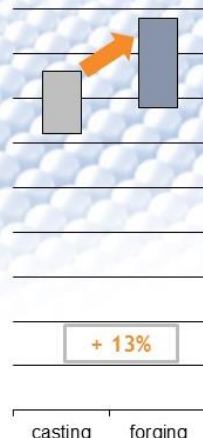


ALUMINIUM CASTING VS. FORGING - CHARACTERISTICS

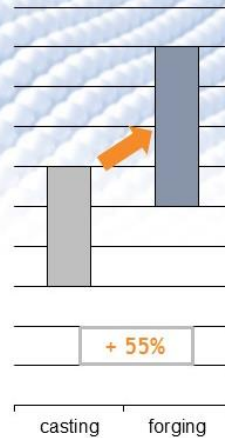
yield strength
RP0,2 [MPa]



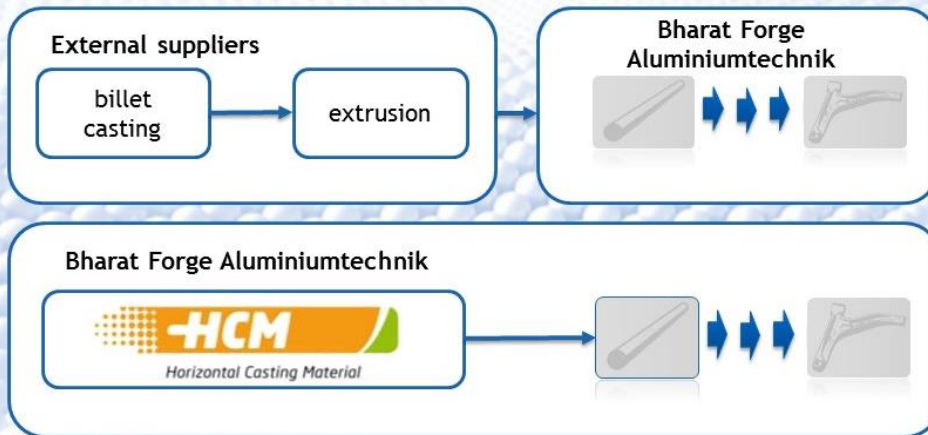
ultimate tensile strength
Rm [Mpa]



ultimate elongation
A5 [%]



COMPARISON EXTRUSION VS. HCM AS PRIMARY PROCESS FOR FORGING



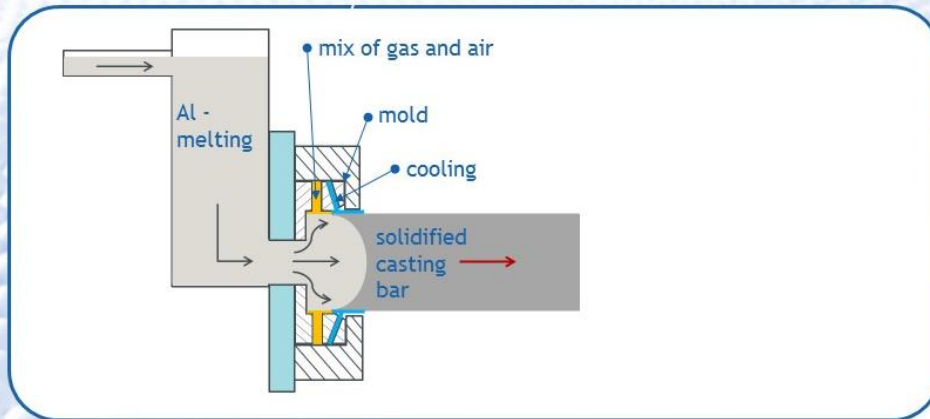
- Independence from external extrusion suppliers
- Closed material loop - more economical - environmentally friendly

OUR INNOVATION – HCM (HORIZONTAL CASTING MATERIAL)



already used for: Volkswagen Group, Maserati, GM, Daimler

TECHNICAL BACKGROUND OF HCM



- Continuous casting process - very efficient
- Very smooth surface - no additional peeling effort



PRECIPITATION IN EXTRUDED AND HCM - PRIMARY MATERIAL

Extruded material

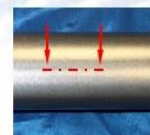


lengthwise cut; polished

HCM material



lengthwise cut; polished



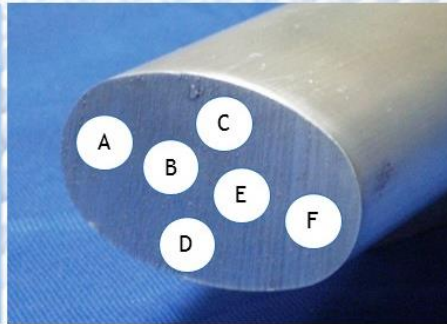
lengthwise cut

- Precipitation equally distributed
- Not directionally



MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF HCM- MATERIAL AFTER T6 PROCESS

sample area	direction	Rp0,2 [MPa]	Rm [MPa]	A5 [%]
A	length	331,1	393,8	15,2
B		339,9	393,5	14,6
C		328,3	391,9	13,6
D		331,1	393,7	15,6
E		339,8	393,1	14,2
F		332,3	395,3	16,5
A - F	crosswise	328,7	390,7	13,8



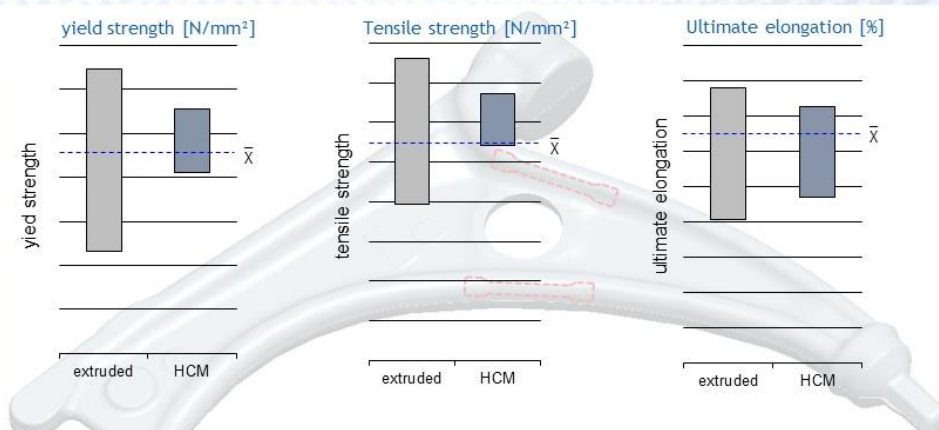
tensile according to DIN EN ISO 6892-1
sample form according to DIN 50125 – B5x25

Sample position in the HCM material

- ➔ High mechanical characteristics already in heat-treated cast state
- ➔ No directional dependence



MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS - FORGED CONTROL ARM LINKED TO RAW MATERIAL PROCESS

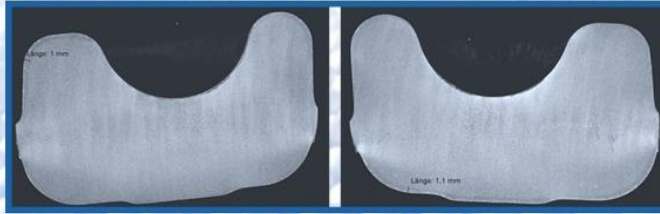


analysis of longterm series production (appr. 2.000 parts)
Comparison of forged parts based on extruded and HCM - raw material

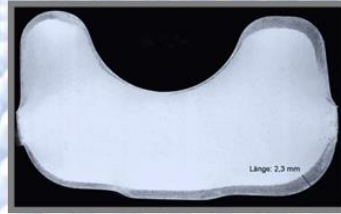


STRUCTURE ANALYSIS AT FORGED PART

Forged profil based on HCM primary material



Forged profil (extruded primary mat.)



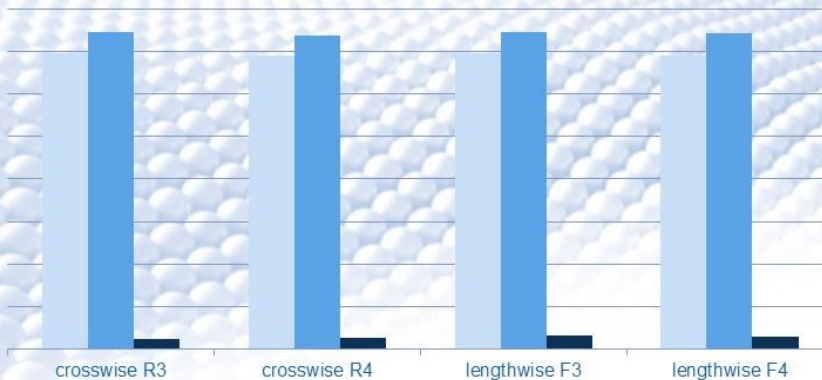
HCM - effects a very small marginalized layer of recrystallisation (appr. 1mm)

- ➔ Safety buffer for long life fatigue strength
- ➔ Perfect material characteristics to enable assembling of bearings (rolling)



MATERIAL CHARACTERISTICS – LINKED TO SAMPLE POSITION

■ yield stress Rp0,2 [MPa] ■ ultimate tensile strength Rm [MPa] ■ ultimate elongation A [%]

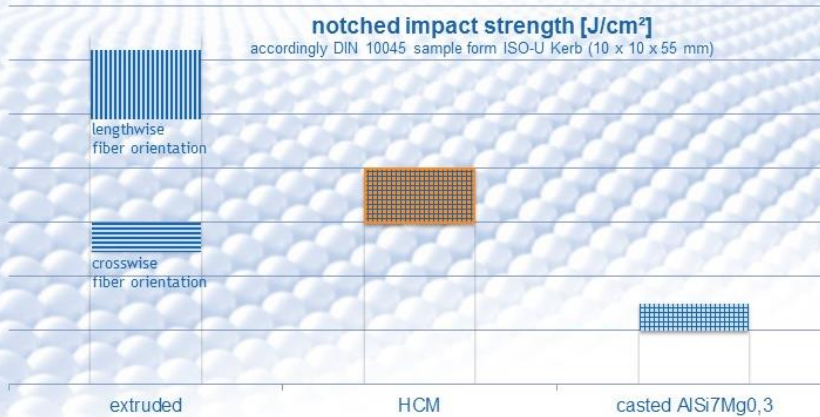


- ➔ Using HCM - there are no important effects for the material characteristics linked to the sample position
- ➔ very safe designing process fulfilling the request of function



CONTENT COMPANY TECHNOLOGY PROSPECTS

MATERIAL CHARACTERISTICS – OVERLOADING EFFECT LINKED TO FIBER ORIENTATION

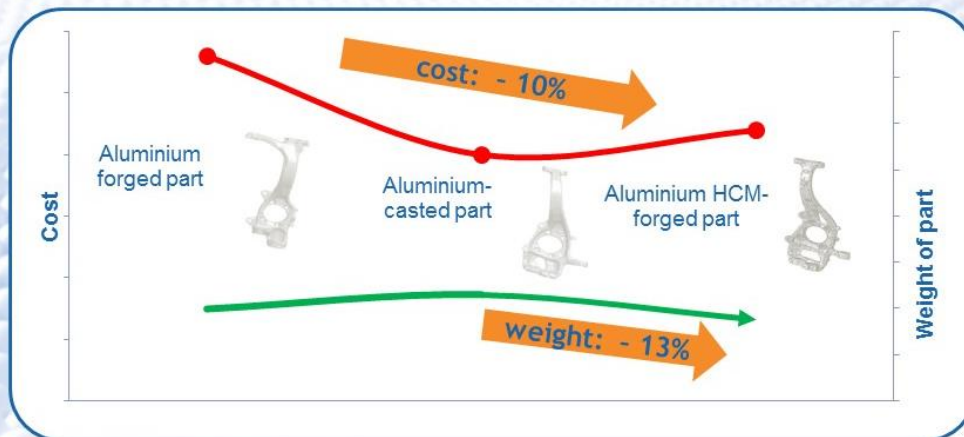


→ HCM enables independent from fiber orientation a uniform performance on a respectable level in case of overloading



CONTENT COMPANY TECHNOLOGY PROSPECTS

WEIGHT AND COMMERCIAL EFFECT OF HCM AND FORGING



→ HCM - forged chassis part will not replace all the other solutions but will add a well performing and cost efficient solution to solve our challenges



COMPANY

- ➔ Key facts Bharat Forge
- ➔ Business unit Bharat Forge Aluminiumtechnik GmbH

TECHNOLOGY

- ➔ Product focus
- ➔ Al Casting vs. Aluminium Forging
- ➔ HCM – Base for chassis parts' safety

PROSPECTS

- ➔ BFAT – Al chassis specialist worldwide
- ➔ BFAT – Full service partner for OEM
- ➔ BFAT – Synonym for material and design improvement

BHARAT FORGE – FULL SERVICE FOR LIGHT WEIGHT CHASSIS

Customers' needs

- COx reduction
- NOx reduction
- Driving pleasure
- Safety
- Economical cars



... lead to

OEM needs regarding chassis

- Weight reduction
- Premium performance
- Safety reserve
- Reliable parts
- Competitive suppliers



... are challenging us as

Your partner with

- Light weight design
- Optimized material properties
- Reliable production processes
- Efficient production technology

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TITLE

Advanced Counter Pressure Casting Process for Light-Weighting of Auto and Truck Chassis and Suspension Components

ABSTRACT

1. Background of "Light-Weighting" Automotive and Truck Components
2. Advanced Counter Pressure Casting

Advanced Counter Pressure Casting for Light-Weighting of Auto and Truck Chassis and Suspension Components

North American Automotive Lightweight
Procurement Symposium
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Why Light-Weighting?

- Variability in Fuel Prices
- Additional Safety Feature Requirements
- Increased Operating Performance
- Need to Support Alternate Propulsion Systems (hybrid, electric, fuel cell, etc.)
- Latent Desire for “Muscle” cars and “Retro” styles
- Ongoing CAFE Regulations for Improved Fuel Economy

Evolution of Light-Weighting

- Vehicle Size and Associated Weight Reduction
- Part Size and Wall Thickness Reduction
- Direct Conversion of Components to Lighter Weight Materials
 - Initial Focus was Powertrain and Drivetrain Components, Along with Wheels
- Use of Existing Processes with Lightweight Materials

...mostly "low-hanging fruit"

Need for Ongoing Light-Weighting

- *Continued Increasing CAFE Targets Required More Dramatic Actions*
 - Increased Use of Computer Aiding Engineering to Optimize Designs for Weight Removal and Improved Performance
 - Initiation of Work on Higher Integrity, Safety-Critical Structural Components Involving the Chassis, Suspension, and Brake Systems, Up to this Point Almost Untouchable
 - Entirely New Materials Such as Metal Matrix Composites, Carbon Fiber Composites and others
 - Introduction of Entirely New Processes to Provide the Ability to Produce the Thinnest Sections, Unique Geometries and Utilize Advanced Materials

Production of High Integrity, Structural Castings for Chassis and Suspension Applications

High Integrity Structural Castings

- High Integrity Structural Castings, “definition”:
 - Consistent & reliable, with in-process real time testing and analysis
 - Most often, high tensile and yield strength, plus high ductility
 - Good fatigue life
 - Sometimes, moderate strength, with *very* high ductility (e.g. subframes, crossmembers)
 - Good impact resistance
 - Good surface finish

High Integrity Structural Castings

Example: General Motors rigidly defines the expectations for structural aluminum castings in GMW 16704 and 16705, along with the following print requirements:

- Tensile Strength and Yield Strength obtained from specific in part locations are required to meet Weibull B_1 minimum values of 290 MPa and 220 MPa, respectively
- Elongation must be greater than 8%
- The Manufacturing Process and PPAP must be Validated using out-of-part Overstress Probe and Staircase Fatigue Tests, also to B_1 minimum values.
- Part integrity via 100% x-ray based upon FEA Analysis with areas defined as Highly Critical classified as Grade A of ASTM B 686-95, moderately stressed as Grade B and remainder Grade C. This equates to ASTM E155 exceeding Level 1, Level 1 and Level 2, respectively.
- 100% Fluorescent Liquid Particle Inspection with No Linear Defect Indications Allowed

Metallurgical Parameters That Must Be Addressed to Meet These Specifications

- The Casting MUST be:
 - Sound (No gas, inclusions or similar defects)
 - Grain refined
 - Modified
 - Solidified as Rapidly as Possible (to support grain refinement and silicon modification)

Keys to Achieving Optimum Aluminum Casting Properties

1. Prevent the formation of oxide films or folds
2. Eliminate shrinkage
3. Eliminate inclusions
4. Eliminate gas bubbles
5. Modify or refine the eutectic silicon
 - Finer SDAS
6. Refine the grain size
 - More, small dendrite trees

High Integrity Casting Processes

- Vacuum Die Casting (vs Conventional)
- Permanent Mold & SPM, Tilt, Reverse Tilt
- Low Pressure
- Squeeze
- SSM
- Vacuum Low Pressure
- ***Advanced Counter Pressure Casting***

What is Advanced Counter Pressure Casting?

Advanced Counter Pressure Casting™ (ACPC) is a *unique and advanced* adaptation of low pressure casting using the Counter Pressure process that is capable of producing *high integrity aluminum structural and safety parts*

Typical parts include:

- Steering knuckles/spindles
- Control and swing arms
- Structural brackets
- Yokes-chassis and suspension
- Subframes and crossmembers
- Others Under Investigation

Consequently, Advanced Counter Pressure Casting has evolved as the fastest growing process globally for the production of high strength and ductility, lightweight steering knuckles and control arms.

How Did “Counter Pressure Casting” Evolve?

Evolution-Counter Pressure Casting (CPC)

- Invented at the Institute of Metal Science and Technology of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
- Additional research and development was done at the University of Sofia in Bulgaria in the 1980's
- First commercialization was to replace die-casting
- CPC/Ilinden obtained the patents and know-how in the 1990's, improved the process and redesigned the machines
- The CPC Group initially targeted the specialty wheel market because the high integrity allowed aluminum wheels to be chrome-plated and cast in larger sizes
- Because of the high quality and low cost of CPC's process and equipment, high volume production vehicle wheels started being made using this process
- The CPC Group became the global leader in aluminum wheel production equipment

How Did Advanced Counter Pressure Casting Evolve?

Evolution-Advanced Counter Pressure Casting (ACPC)

- Conversion of many aluminum structural and safety parts, such as knuckles, began in earnest in the 1990's
- Starting with conventional low pressure, advancements were made by using squeeze casting (CMI) and vacuum/pressure riser-less casting (A-CMI), particularly for front knuckles and control arms
- Short comings and quality issues with these processes led to further development to provide a better, more risk-free process with lower costs
- The original process used by the CPC Group to make wheels was evaluated but judged to need improvements to make it capable of providing the structures and properties required for parts such as front knuckles and control arms

How Did Advanced Counter Pressure Casting Evolve?

Evolution-ACPC

- In 2000, Intermet, which was the largest supplier of iron knuckles worldwide, decided to develop with a process based on CPC to produce aluminum knuckles, but integrate in the strong points of the other processes
- The ACPC process then was developed by adding significant mold/part cooling capability, more sophisticated pressure controls, and improved metal treatment and chemistry control to counter pressure filling, the sealed chamber, and controlled, uniform fill of the CPC process
- A demonstration cell was constructed and based on the quality, properties and strict controls, many customers became interested
- The first high volume production started in September, 2001 with the GM U/W front knuckle which had annual volumes of approximately 2 million knuckles per year

First ACPC Cell (circa 2000)



PCPC Desirable Process Features

- Metal enters die cavity from bottom
- Metal flow is controlled against pressure head (counter pressure)
- Flow is smooth and non-turbulent (tranquil)
- Metal is filtered two times during the casting process (bottom of inlet tube and at sprue)
- Solidification is controlled via thermally modeled mold design and directional cooling
- Once metal enters the heated crucible furnace, and is degassed and de-drossed, it is never disturbed again throughout the entire casting process

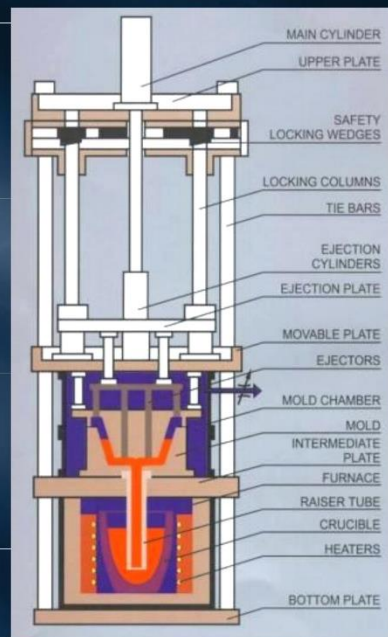
How Does ACPC Work?

Casting Machine

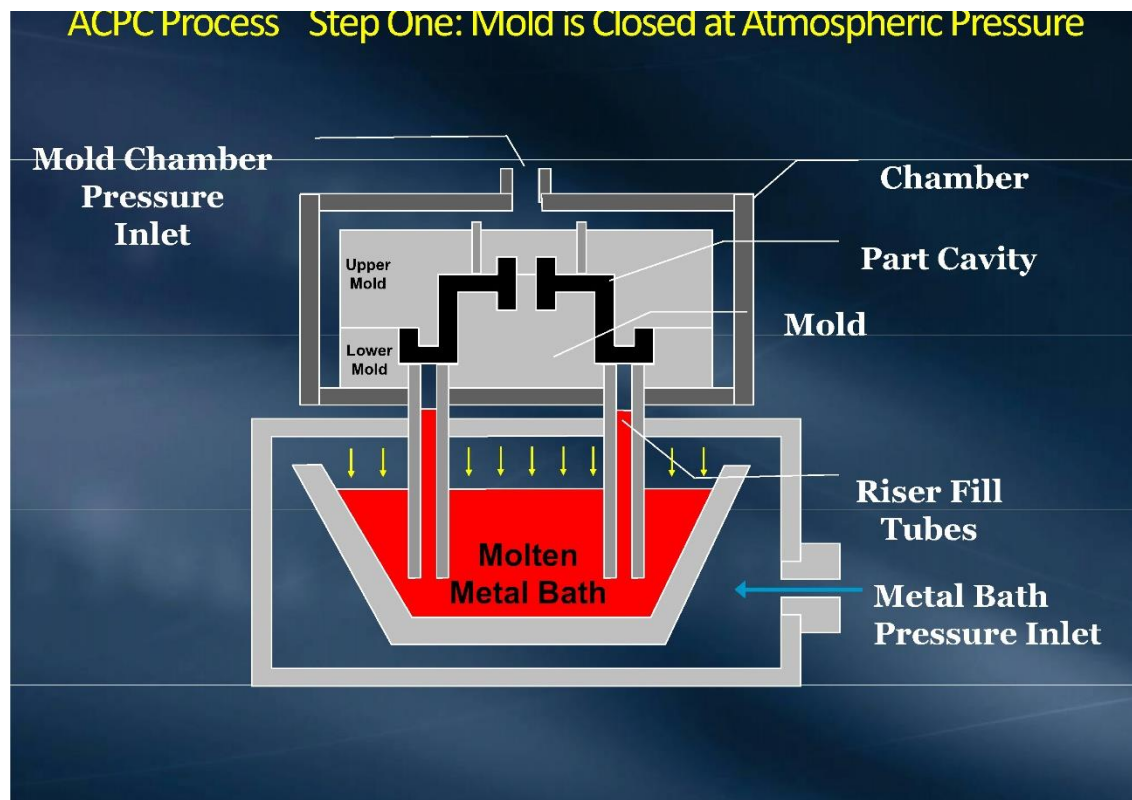


- A process utilizing a **double sealed** metal mold and a **sealed** crucible of molten aluminum below the mold.
- An initial **Counter Pressure** is applied to both the mold cavity and the molten metal in the crucible.
- Both volumes are stabilized to the same pressure and then the two volumes are separated by closing an isolation valve.
- The pressure in the furnace is increased in mbar increments to fill the mold cavity using a computer controlled fill profile.

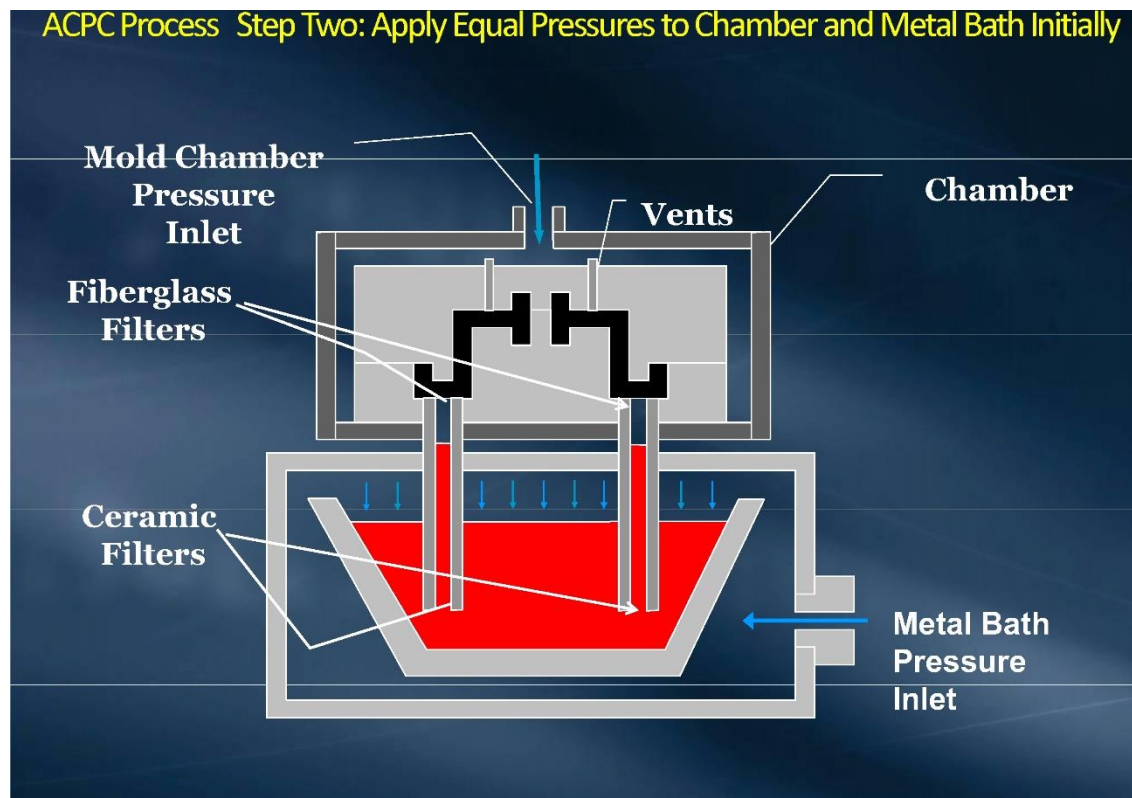
Schematic



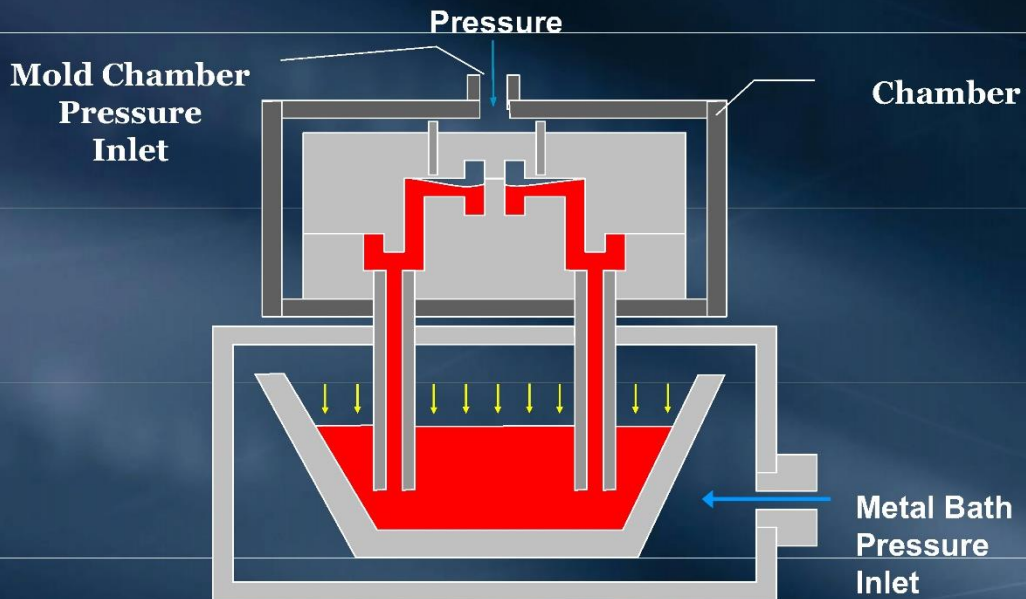
ACPC Process Step One: Mold is Closed at Atmospheric Pressure



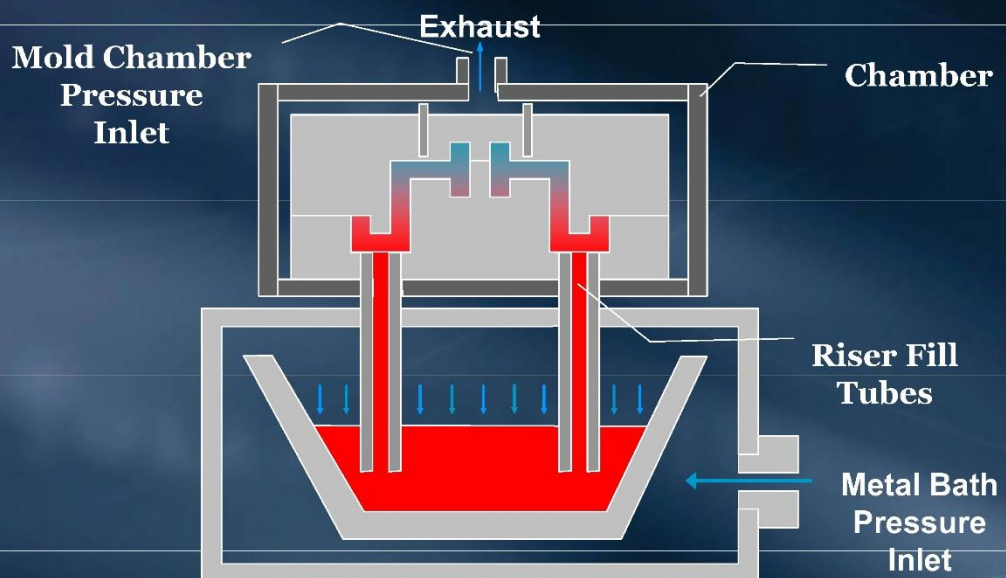
ACPC Process Step Two: Apply Equal Pressures to Chamber and Metal Bath Initially



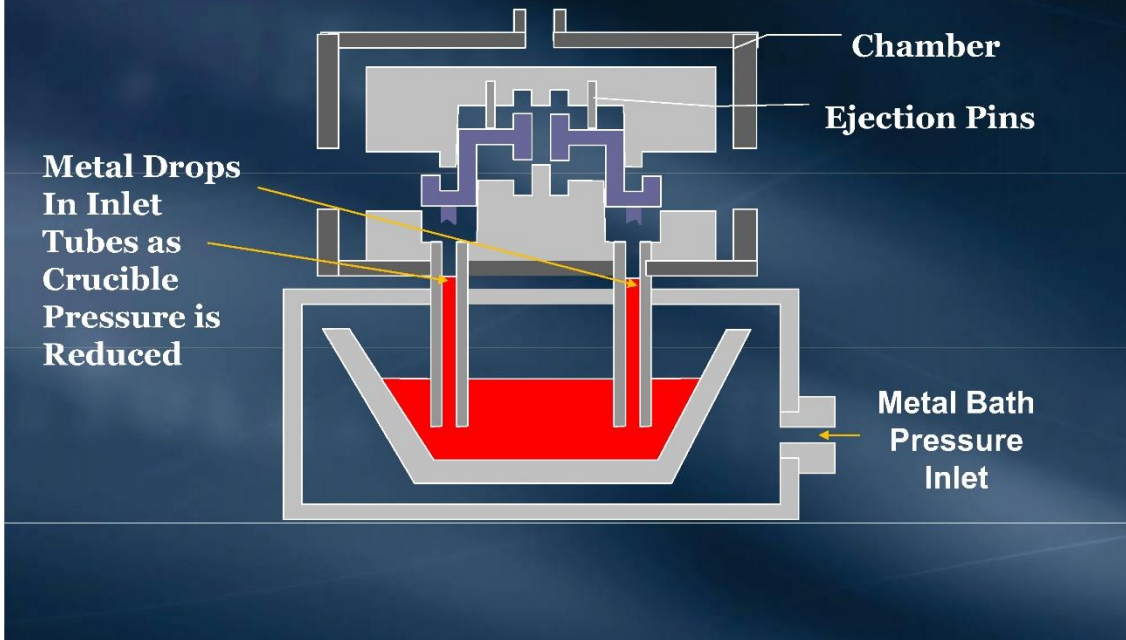
ACPC Process Step Three: Apply Greater Pressures to Metal Bath So Metal Fills the Mold While Pressure is Still Maintained in the Chamber



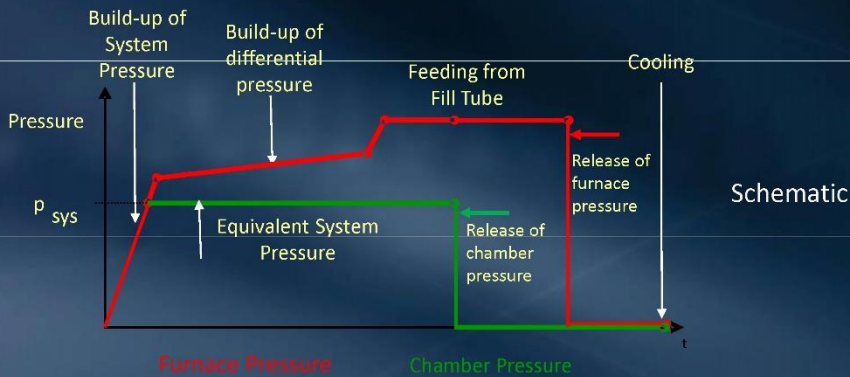
ACPC Process Step Four: Totally Exhaust Chamber, Increase Bath Pressure, Part Filled, and Fill Tubes Continue to Feed Casting



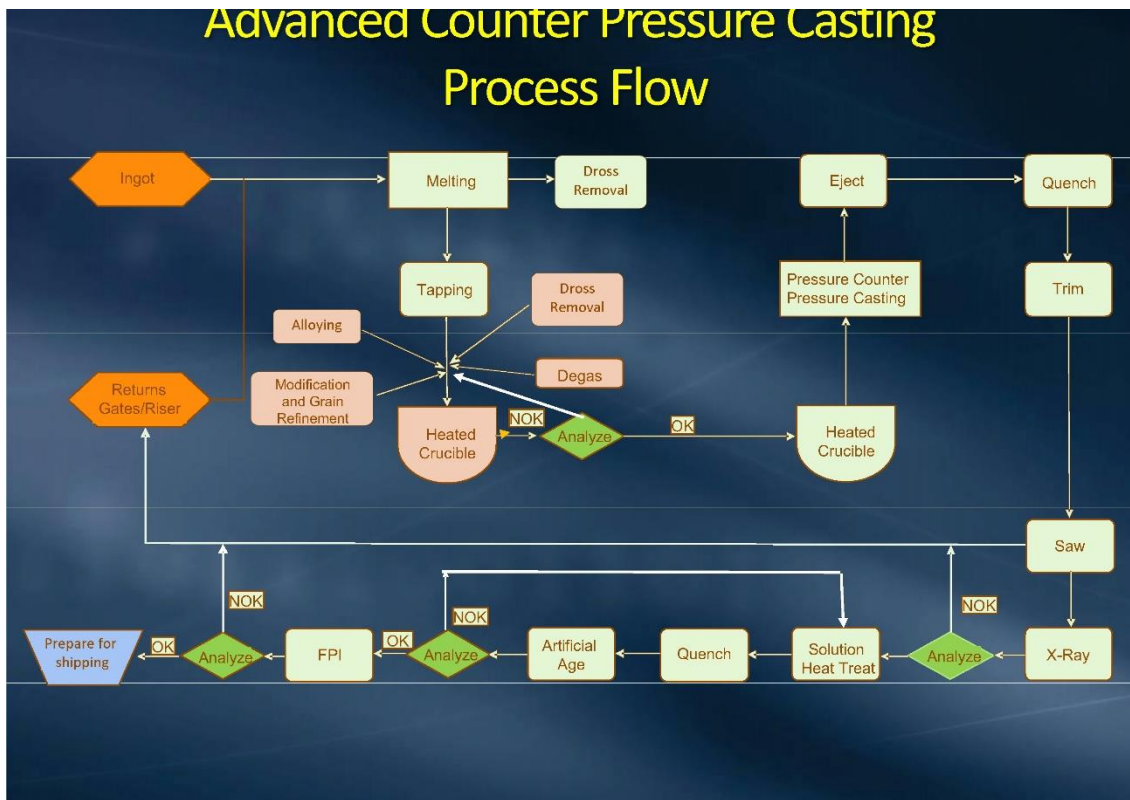
ACPC Process Step Five: Reduce Pressure on Bath, Metal Drops in Inlet Tubes Ready to Fill Next Mold, Mold is Opened, Part is Ejected and Removed



Advanced Counter Pressure Casting Pressure Changes



Screen Shot from Monitor



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Since that starting point, continuous improvements and advancements have been made with the CPC Group to the ACPC casting process

- Increased tie bar spacing and larger platen sizes to permit more parts per mold and larger components to be manufactured
- Increased number of cooling circuits to 96 from 64
- Larger and optimally designed crucibles to allow for fewer metal changeovers
- Improved mold cooling system
- Quick mold change system techniques
- More and improved controls and data collection capabilities
- Special access to back of mold for large cavities, plus tiltable movable molds for easier maintenance
- Ability to cast cored parts using either metal core pull techniques or sand cores

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Latest CPC 1600-C96 Large Platen Machine

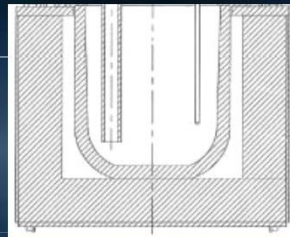


Increase to 96 Cooling Circuits with Improved Control and Monitoring

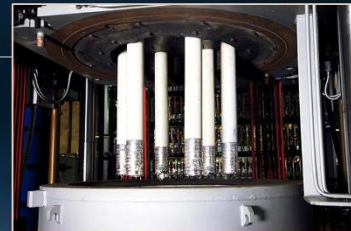


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- Larger and optimally designed crucibles to allow for fewer metal changeovers and more parts per mold



Straight wall crucible with 900kg capacity



Larger crucible provides space for more fill tubes

- Improved mold cooling system more and improved controls and data collection capabilities

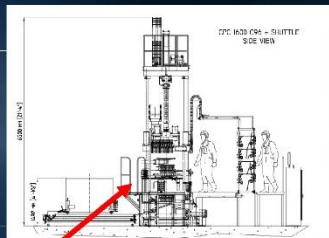


Touch Screen Monitor Screen Shots



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- Special access platform to back of mold for large cavities, plus tiltable movable upper mold half for easier maintenance



Access Platform for Large Molds



Tiltable Upper Mold Half

- Quick mold change system techniques using shuttle system and quick disconnects



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- New Filter Concepts to prevent inclusions and fluid dross from entering the mold cavity



Fiberglass Screen Filter Which is Placed Between the Sprue (bottom mold half) and Sprue Spreader (upper mold half)

- Advanced tooling with integrated water cooling, plus the ability to cast cored parts either using metal core pulls or sand cores



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Keys to Producing Optimum Knuckles and Control Arms

- ✓ Prevent the formation of oxide films or folds
 - Counter Pressure in chamber results in non-turbulent flow, level filling and no films or folds forming
- ✓ Eliminate shrinkage
 - Extensive, selective water cooling of the mold and part, plus the continued pressure applied through the fill tube essentially eliminate shrinkage
- ✓ Eliminate inclusions
 - Removal of dross during metal preparation, along with using filters at the bottom of the fill tube and at the sprue inlet eliminate inclusions from entering the mold cavity
- ✓ Eliminate gas bubbles
 - Degassing the metal with Argon to specific gravities >2.60 gm/cc, non-turbulent metal transfer using the shuttle system, and use of Counter Pressure in the mold result in no gas entering or being formed in the mold cavity or part
- ✓ Modify or refine the eutectic silicon
- ✓ Refine the grain size
 - Both accomplished during metal processing by using calculated Strontium and TiB₂ additions and monitored by microstructural analyses

Advanced Counter Pressure Casting

• *The Results...*

- These actions and their results have lead to the ACPC process presently being the most widely selected process worldwide for the production of high integrity aluminum steering knuckles and control arms
 - Over 90% of the casting machines now being produced by the CPC Group are now ordered to produce ACPC aluminum knuckles, control arms and other structural parts
 - There have been 11 ACPC plants constructed and placed in operation since the original plant in Stevensville, Michigan started production in 2001, and the building of at least another 3 plants has been announced
 - Plants are located in the United States, China, Korea and Germany, and consideration is being given to facilitizing in Brazil, India and Eastern Europe
 - Originally, most ACPC parts were conversions from steel and aluminum forgings, and ductile iron castings—however, now a large percentage of knuckles and control arms are being designed directly as aluminum castings, particularly those made using ACPC

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- *The Results from actual production parts...*



Typical ***In-Part*** Mechanical Properties and Hardness

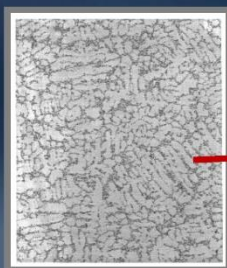
● A356 - T6

- UTS - 320-360 MPa
- YS - 230-260 Mpa
- %EL - 9-12 %
- BHN - 92-102
- SDAS - 20-35 microns

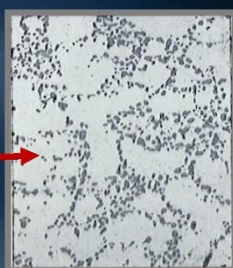
Results vary based on the locations selected for specimens, section thickness, water cooling and proximity to the inlet

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- Results from typical microstructure evaluations

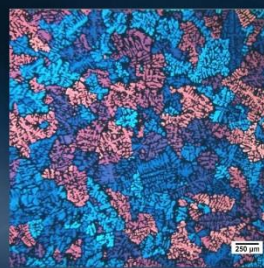


100x mag.



500x mag.

Eutectic Silicon Modification
SDAS ~ 25-30 microns



Aluminum Grain Refinement
Grain Size ~ 250 microns

- Uniform distribution of microstructure
- Absence of porosity and oxides
- Small SDAS and fine Grain Size

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Process Assessment - Aluminum Steering Knuckles-Structural Castings

Attributes	Manufacturing Processes							
	Gravity Perm Mold	Low Pressure	ACPC	VRC/PRC	Squeeze Casting	RheoCast	ThixoCast	Forging
Properties								
UTS (Mpa) Tensile Strength	260	276	330	310	290	310	300	320
YS (Mpa) 0.2% Offset Yield	180	207	240	220	220	240	230	270
% Elongation	5	7	10	9	9	10	10	10
Fatigue (Mpa) n=10 ⁷	70	75	90	85	90	100	100	110
Microstructure								
Grain Size ¹	1000 micron	800 micron.	250 micron	750 micron.	500 micron.	150 micron	150 micron	200 micron.
SDAS (dendrite)	40 micron	40 micron	25 micron	25 micron	15 micron	globular	globular	not applicable
Oxides (risk factor)	Moderate	Moderate	Very Low	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low, lap issues
ADVANTAGES	lower cost	extensive use, wheels	high quality, strength & ductility	quality & strength	quality & strength & history	high quality, strength & ductility	high quality, strength & ductility	high quality, strength & ductility
DISADVANTAGES	manual operator control, lower ductility, issues on tranquil filling	usually non-issues on controlling filling and longer cycle times	limited number sources, but part design interchangeable with other processes	proprietary process & seal issues on dies cause seam defects	potential for oxides from die lubes, eutectic segregation, equip & tooling cost high	limitation on current shot weigh N. size, new process	High material cost using special billet and reuse of returns	Properties are often directional, reduced net shape potential and material/process cost is high
Process Info²								
Seconds/part	75	240	37	37	50	25	25	unknown
Pieces/mold	4	1-2	4	4	2	2	2	1-2
Typical Parts	rear knuckles, crossmembers	wheels, crossmembers, lower control arms	front & rear knuckles, lower control arms	knuckles, crossmembers, lower control arms	front knuckles	upper control arms, ABS housings	upper control arms	upper control arms
Size Limits	1.5 meters	1.0 m	0.5-1.0 m	0.5-1.0 m	0.5 m	0.4 m	0.5 m	0.5 m
Cost & Investment³	1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.5	2
Lead Time (weeks)⁴								
-Prototype	10	11	12	14	18	16	16	24

1. Note Grain Size depends on process additions and control, the data listed in table are from observations, values for individual parts and sources may vary.

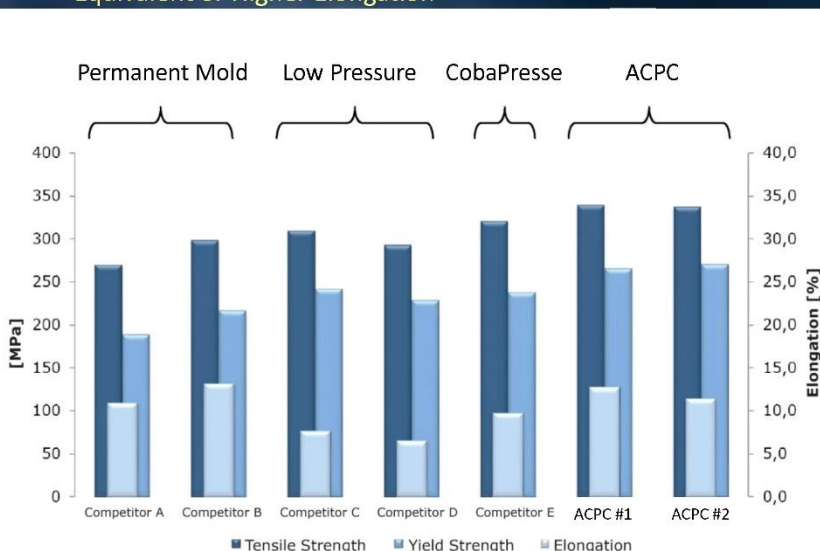
2. Process information represents **typical data** and is from benchmarking studies, results may vary from individual sources and equipment..

3. Base set at 1.0 for Gravity Permanent Mold, individual part cost will vary by size, volume, material specification, etc.

4. This is estimated **timing** for parts from metal 'hard' tooling, assuming design freeze, and part not requiring pulls. Secondary processing, support equipment, etc. may take longer.

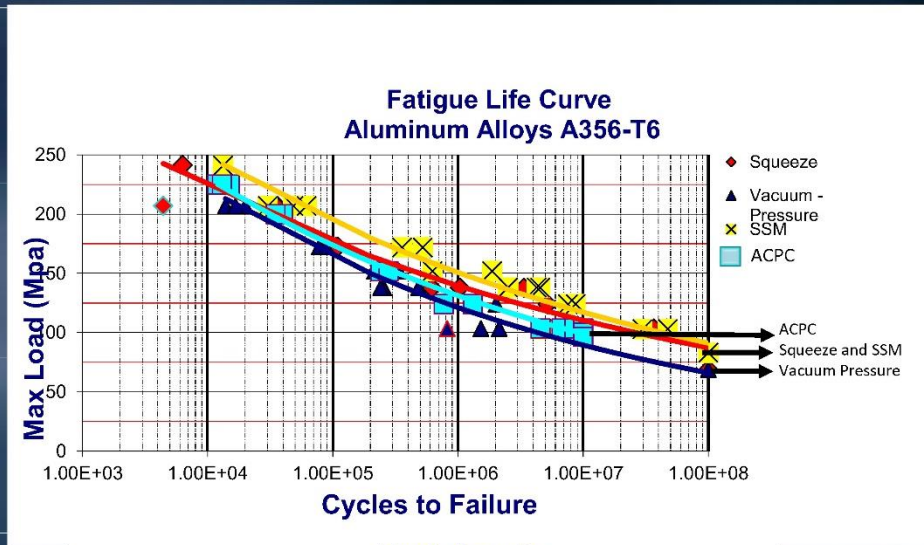
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- How does ACPC Compare to Competing Processes Used to Produce Aluminum Knuckles and Control Arms?
 - Higher Ultimate Tensile Strength
 - Higher 0.2% Offset Yield Strength
 - Equivalent or Higher Elongation



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- Comparison of Fatigue Life for Various Aluminum Casting Processes- USCAR Data



PROCESS:	Tensile Properties			
	SSM	Squeeze	VRC/PRC	ACPC
UTS (MPa)	307	312	323	325
Yield (MPa)	210	243	243	245
% Elongation	15.2	11.0	11.3	14.3

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- Examples of Aluminum Steering Knuckles Produced Using ACPC



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- Examples of Other Aluminum Structural Parts Produced Using ACPC



Lower Control Arm



Upper Control Arm



Suspension Yokes



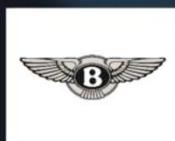
Upper Control Arm



Structural Brackets

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- It is estimated by the CPC Group that over 50 million knuckles, control arms and other structural parts will be cast using the ACPC process in 2015
- Below are a number of "Western" OEM's that will have ACPC parts installed on their vehicles worldwide
- In addition, many Chinese OEM's are beginning to use ACPC components, or are in the prototype or design phase of implementation



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- ACPC Success Stories



High Volume Knuckle Conversion from Squeeze to ACPC Casting



High Volume Front Lower Control Arm Conversion from Ductile Iron to an Aluminum ACPC Casting



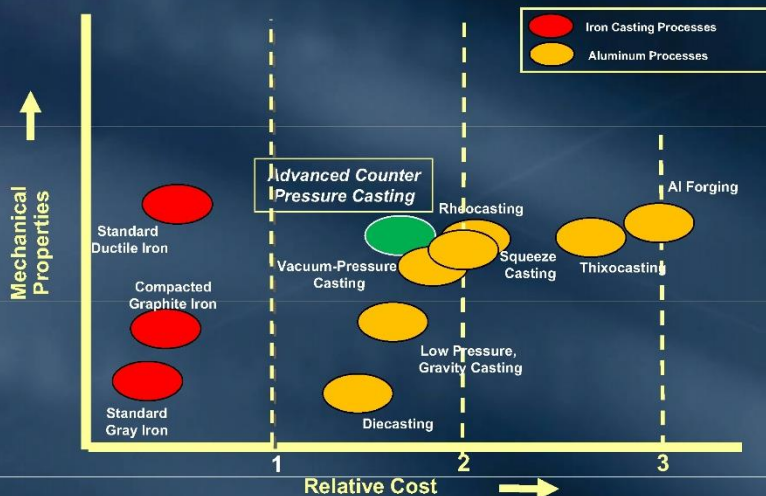
High Volume Front Lower Control Arm Conversion from a Welded, Multi-Piece Steel Stamping to and Aluminum ACPC Casting



High Volume Steering Knuckle Conversion from Ductile Iron to an Aluminum ACPC Casting

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Casting Process/Material Continuum





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A well planned development phase creates the opportunity to analyze and visualize a complete picture of the project needs and requirements. The right design of tooling, state-of-the-art equipment, and collaboration with world class suppliers are fundamental to accomplish a successful and flawless start of production.

Development and Control of processes to achieve OEMs requirements are the Key factors to constant improvement, competitive costs and success in the industry.

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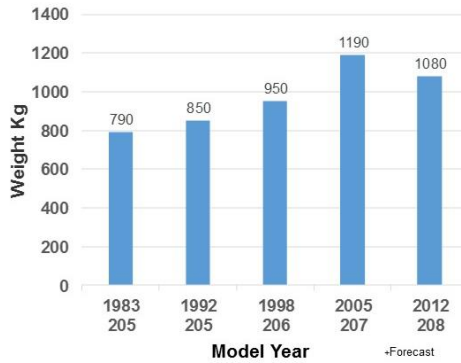
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Weight increase over the years



Peugeot 205



Peugeot 208



"Excess weight kill any self-propelled vehicle. There are a lot of fool ideas about weight... Whenever anyone suggests to me that I might increase weight or add a part, I look into decreasing weight and eliminating a part!"
Henry Ford, 1922

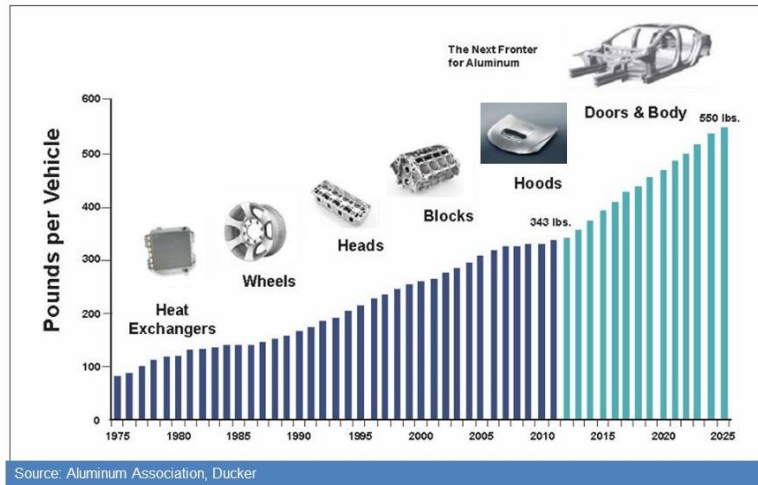
Environmental requirements

- Environmental requirements are becoming Governmental demands.
- Many countries have already clear goals, in order to reduce emissions in the following years.
- Weight plays a significant direct role in the emissions of internal combustion engines.
- Less weight, less required force, less energy used, which all end up in releasing less emissions and warm gases.



Source: Bosch

Aluminum content in automotive



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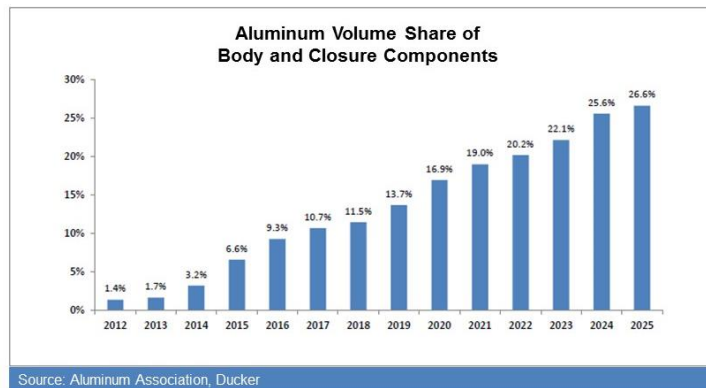
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Body and closure components share



- By 2025, 26.6% of all the body and closure parts for light vehicles in North America will be made of aluminum (measured by volume rather than weight).
- A burst of aluminum activity is expected in the few year leading up to the 2025 EPA mandate of 161 grams of CO2 per mile taking full effect.



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Improving weight conditions



Differential - Automotive Sector

- **Material:** Iron casting
- **Weight approx.:** 51 lb

Differential - Bocar Group

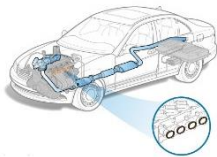
- **Material:** Aluminum A-356- T6 Treatment
- **Process:** Gravity Casting Process
- **Weight approx.:** 34 lb
- **Reduction weight:** 33% less than iron casting

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Wall thickness



Intake Manifold- Bocar Group

- **Material:** Aluminum A-332
- **Process:** Gravity Casting Process
- **Wall thickness:** 2 mm

Intake Manifold- Automotive Sector

- **Material:** A-332
- **Wall thickness:** 3.5 mm

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Different purposes



The ones we all know:

SPORTS AND HIGH END CARS:

Less weight helps to improve vehicle dynamics in a car.



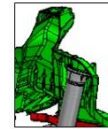
ECONOMY CARS:

Weight reduction of the vehicle impacts directly to the mileage of a car.

Why in a Truck/SUV?:

LESS ASSEMBLIES:

In a Shocktower, there are 7 to 10 Steel parts put into 1 aluminum part. This improves the interaction with highly automated assembly lines.



REDUCTION OF PART NUMBERS

Assembly plants will have a significant reduction of part numbers to control.

HOUSING FUNCTION

Some parts can save an extra housing or holding part in a mechanical system. (eg. Shocktowers as a housing for shock absorbers or suspension's springs) These being directly assembled to the component.



HPDC Aluminum Structural parts

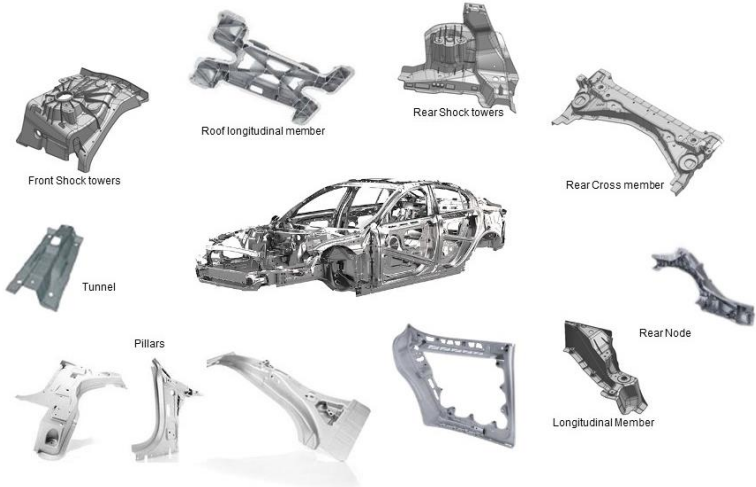


Advantages

- Weight reduction through geometric freedom
- Integration of several steel sheet parts
- Integration of suspension components
- Less emissions
- Weight reduction, better vehicle dynamics



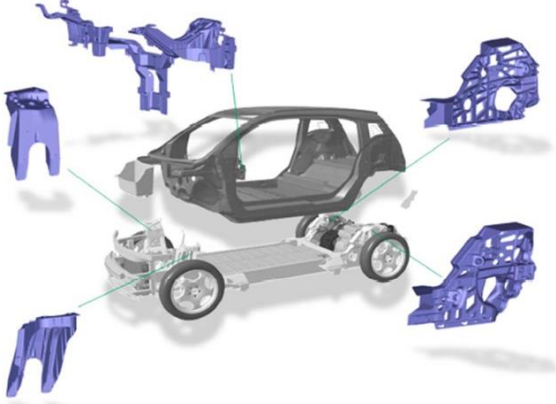
Applications of Structural parts



Structural parts integration in EV

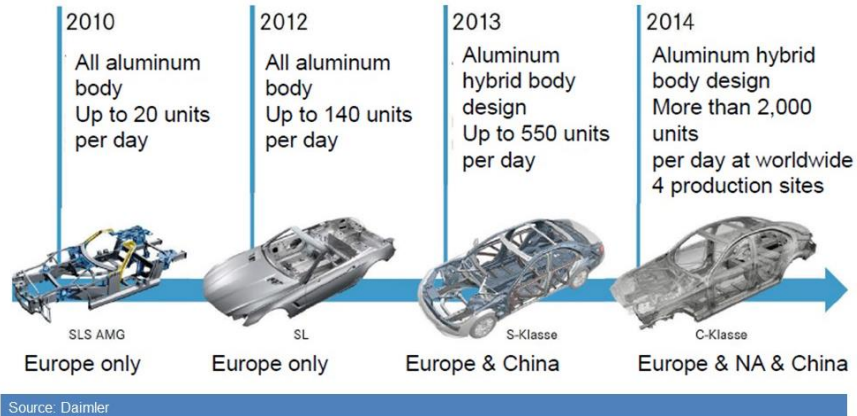


Integration of light weight material in the Electric Vehicles



Source: BMW

1 Mercedes Benz car body structures



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C-Class Structural parts




Front Shocktowers LH & RH
 Weight approx. 3.23 Kg
 Dimensions 450 x 420 x 330 mm³
 Central Ingate on a 3 Plate Die
 Shock Absorber support and suspension fixture



Rear Shocktower LH & RH
 Weight approx. 2.46 Kg
 Dimensions 530 x 295 x 410 mm³
 Integrated support for Shock Absorber



C-Class W205 Chassis



Rear Cross Member
 Weight approx. 5.20 Kg
 Dimensions 425 x 1140 x 125 mm³
 Attachment to rear cross axel and integration to the suspension fixture.



Longitudinal Member LH & RH
 Weight approx. 1.40 Kg
 Dimensions 480 x 315 x 290 mm³
 Integration to Rear Axel

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Mechanical Properties



Why are Mechanical Properties critical to achieve?



- Ductility in a structural parts (High elongation)
- High density (Low porosity)
- Collapsible characteristics, in case of a collision (Safety property)
- Structural features (Yield and UTS)
- Light and thin construction



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Structural parts characteristics



- Weight reduction (thin walls)
- Part integration
- High mechanical properties
- Crash performance
- Welded, riveted, glued, nailed, punched, clinching, etc.
- Distortion free with tight tolerances (+/- 1 mm)
- Corrosion resistance
- Pressure tightness



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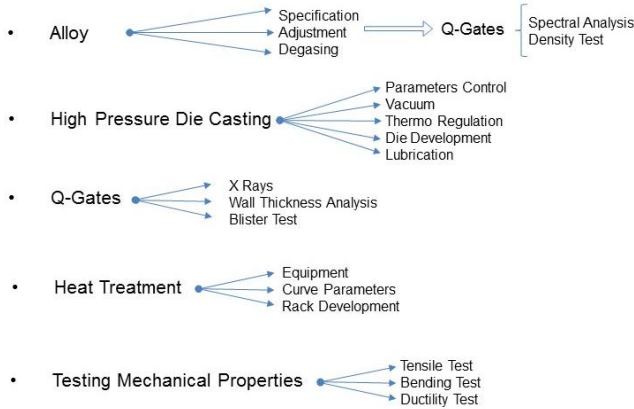
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Key Processes and Q-Gates



Key Processes and Q-Gates to achieve required mechanical properties



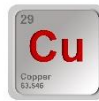
Adjusted elements and their influence



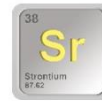
Elements commonly adjusted in the alloy:



Strength and hardness development in Heat Treatment AISi alloys



High resistance to corrosion, high strength and hardness



Helps to modify Si structure, rounding the element grain, to avoid notches and stresses.

Other elements and their impact:

Element	Effect
Si	Good HPDC feeding characteristic (fluidity), good hot tear resistance
Mn	Helps to avoid intermetallic elements and works as a released agent.
Zn	Increase resistance to corrosion
Ti	Grain structure refinement, reduce cracking tendencies
P	Low trace element

3.3 Return recycling

70% max

30% min

eg. of intermetallics.

eg. of muds and impurities.

Alloy testing and monitoring

Spectral Analysis:

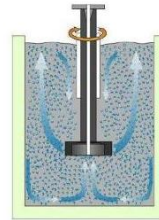
1. Equipment with 22 Channels
2. Frequently tested at the Melting and Holding furnaces
 - At Melting Furnace: Every hour
 - At Holding Furnace: Every shift



Degassing

Degassing:

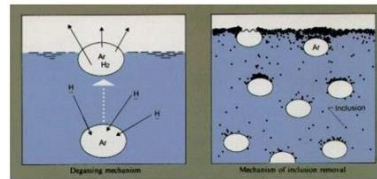
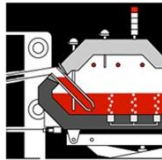
Degassing Impeller
Inert gas



Holding furnace:

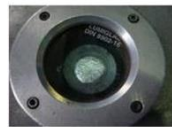
Oven with porous plug system to circulate and degas the material with an inert gas.

The porous plug will maintain the optimal density of the material.

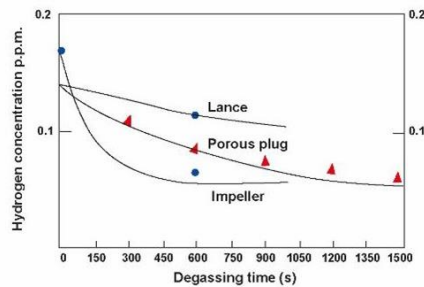


The illustration shows how the inert gas is mechanically removing air, metallic and non-metallic inclusions.

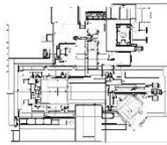
Density test



Target Value:
Density Index below 2



Die Casting and Trimming



High Pressure Die Casting Machines 1400T & 2200 T
Specific release agent
Vacuum system
Jet Cooling system
Thermoregulation system in dies
Lubrication head
Dosage furnace
Reis press



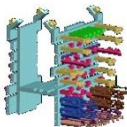
Parameters to monitor
Cycle time
Dosage temperature
Switchover
Compaction pressure
Biscuit thickness
Piston velocity
Vacuum Pressure

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Die Casting and Trimming



Spray technology:

Automated lubricating heads.

Lubricant

Wax based release agent.



Trimming press



Jet Cooling



Quenching after die casting:

Tub with spray system and thermoregulation.



Robot



Dosage Furnace

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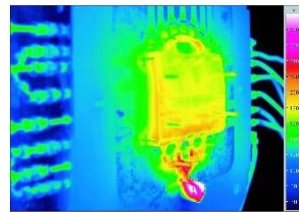
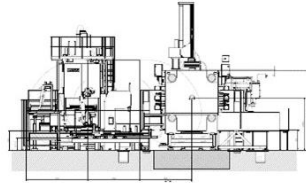
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Main features of High integrity Casting



- Optimized HPDC machine
- High vacuum system
- Complete process control
 - Critical Parameters to control:
 - Cycle time
 - Dosage temperature
 - Switchover
 - Compaction pressure
 - Biscuit thickness
 - Piston velocity
 - Vacuum Pressure
- Optimized tooling
- Die temperature control
- Proper lubricant and application
 - Release agent wax based (not oil)
- Fully automated production cell
- State of the art dosage furnace
- Thermo regulated injection sleeve
- Piston sealing

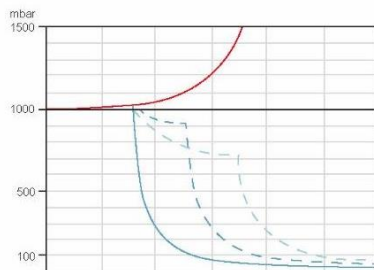


Vacuum System



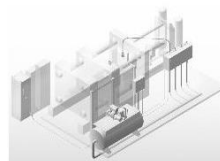
Vacuum System:

- Higher density in diecast parts
- Improved surface (ideal for a surface treatment)
- Clear reduction of porosity
- Perfect for parts with a complex geometry to be filled
- Heat treatable
- Essential for weldable parts
- Helps to reduce scrap
- Vacuum system makes possible to achieve a stable, efficient and profitable production.

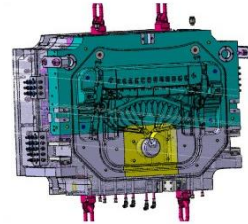
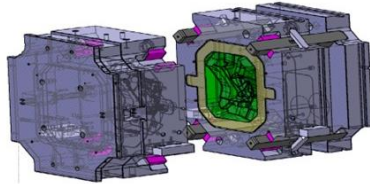


Change of air pressure in cavity of the mold during casting process

- Standard evacuation (without vacuum)
- Standard evacuation
- - - regulated vacuum exaemple A
- · - regulated vacuum exaemple B



Die development



- 3 Plate die concepts.
- Central ingate to achieve a homogenous and complete filling.
- Smaller machine size/tonnage needed.
- Design development in conjunction with tool supplier.
- Development and manufacturing proposals.

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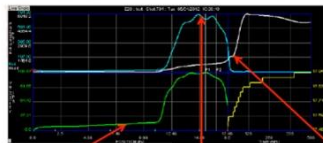
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HPDC Process control



- Successful high vacuum die cast process requires advanced process controls and monitoring systems.
- Shot control
 - Smooth metal flow & flexibility of adjustments (slow shot & low impact to eliminate flash and avoid premature wear of the die)
 - Velocity of injection is crucial to avoid micro porosity problems, which directly affects mechanical properties.
- Vacuum Monitoring/Control system
 - Apply vacuum during fast shot – repeatability is key
 - Detecting leaks or blockages is crucial
 - Monitoring system can be used to quickly troubleshoot equipment

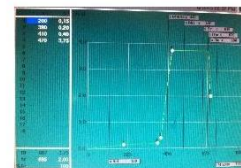


Ramp (Slow Shot)
Speed Control to control turbulence in the shot sleeve

Power to control shock waves from dynamic forces

Quick response required for intensification of thin Wall castings

Source: NADCA



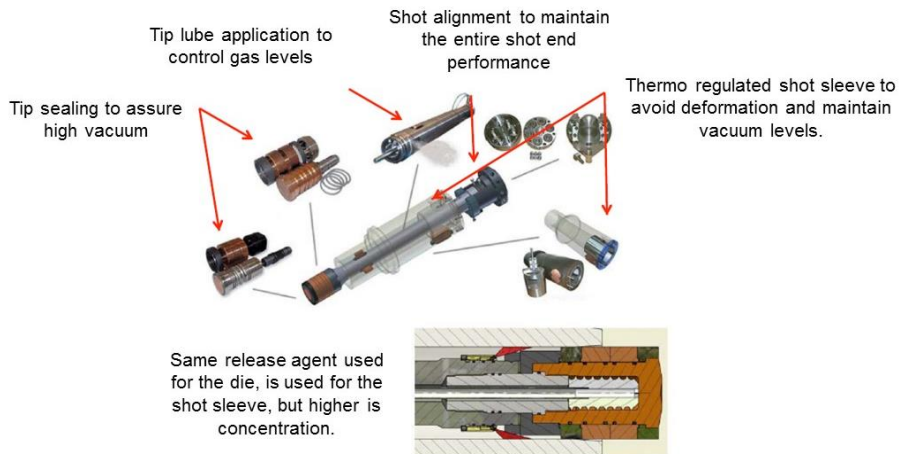
Distance Vs Velocity

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Shot end components and lubrication



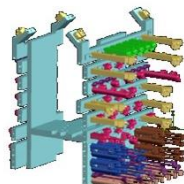
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Shot end components and lubrication



Release agent for Casting:

- Separating film between die and metal melt.
- Uniform wetting of the mold surface.
- Lubricate the ejectors.
- Reducing the friction during the ejection.
- Thermal control of tooling.
- Corrosion protection of the die.
- Must be wax based lubricant in order to avoid negative effect in the mechanical properties.



Lubrication head

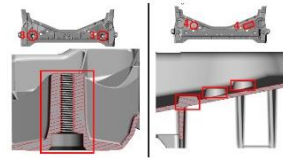
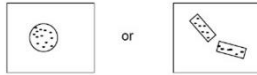
X-Ray control



Detailed and specific x-rays check plan.
Specifications according to Control Plan and Client requirements.

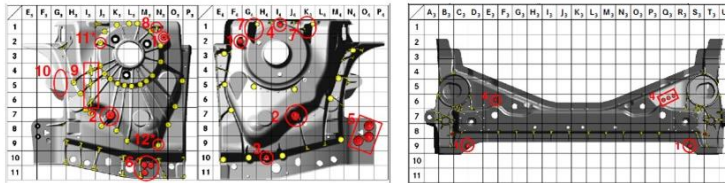
Fig. 3: Clusted porosity, spongy microstructure

Example:



Max. Size of individual imperfection: 50 mm² / 8mm diameter
Max. Cumulative imperfections: 10% per 500mm², t.e. 50 mm² imperfections per 500mm²

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Blister test



BLISTER TEST



Quick blister test at min. 520° C and for at least 45 minutes with subsequent visual inspection by operator with the naked eye.

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Blisters	Joining and contact surfaces	Blisters shall not be higher than the general Surface defects, in addition, the following rules apply: - Diameter 1,0mm - Number in case of fewer than 10 blisters with diameter 1,0 to 5,0 on joining surfaces, rework in accordance with Section 6.2 is acceptable
	All	Maximum height: 1,5 mm

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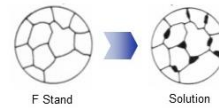
Stages of a 2-Step Heat Treat process



Solution

1.Solution:The solution heat treatment process involves heating the material to an elevated temperature (above the solvus, the closest to the eutectic phase) and soaking at this temperature for sufficient time.

A globalization comes in, and all material redistribute homogeneously, creating a supersaturated structure.

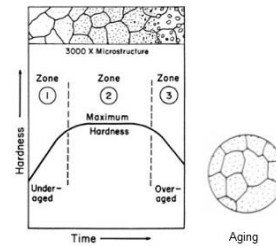


Quenching

2.Quenching:Once achieved the right and desired supersaturated structure, the material must be rapidly cooled at low temperature, in order to maintain the mentioned properties.

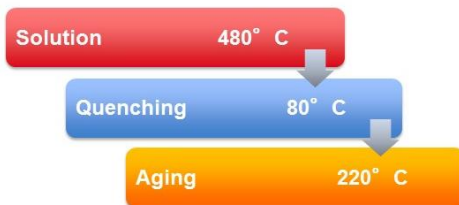
Aging

3.Aging: It is in the Aging process, where the precipitates appears and grow. The correct mechanical properties are achieved reinforcing/hardening the structure.



Source: American Society for Metals

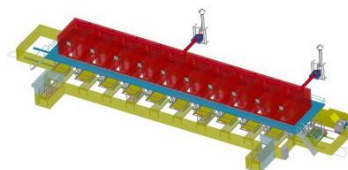
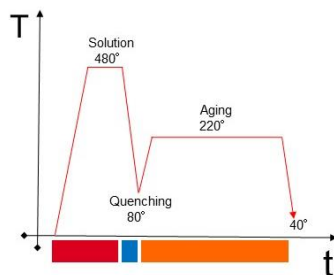
Average Curve parameters



aprox. 1 hour

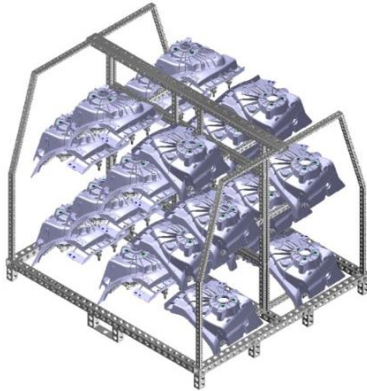
aprox. 5 Minutes

aprox. 2 hours



Heat Treatment Furnace

Rack development



MB C-Class Shock tower

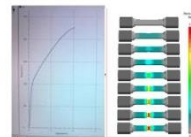
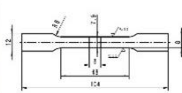


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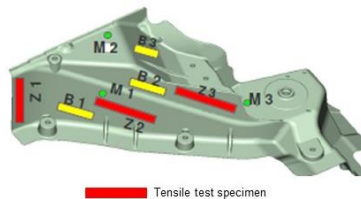
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Tensile test



TEST	AA.30
0,2 Yield $R_{p0,2}$ (Mpa)	≥ 120
UTS R_m (MPa)	≥ 180
Elongation A30 (%) bzw. A5 (%)	≥ 10
Bending α° (d=2 mm)	≥ 60 (average)*



Tensile test specimen

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Bending test (Mercedes Benz)

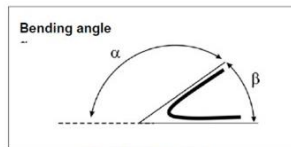
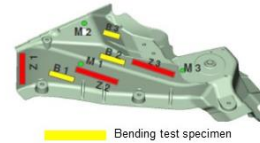
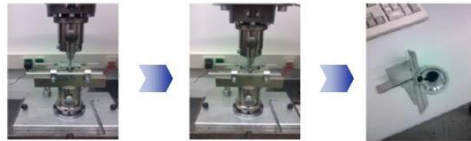


Fig. 4: Bending angle α

The standard specimen size for the bending test shall be 60 x 60 mm. If it is not possible to remove specimens of this size from the relevant castings, the specimen width can be reduced to 15 mm.

The target values for the bending angle indicated in Table 5 refer to a standard wall thickness of 2 mm. Any deviating wall thicknesses can be corrected using the following formula.

$$\alpha_2 = \alpha_1 \cdot (\sqrt{d_1}/\sqrt{2})$$

α_2 : calculated bending angle (for a wall thickness of 2 mm)
 α_1 : measured bending angle
 d_1 : wall thickness of measured specimen

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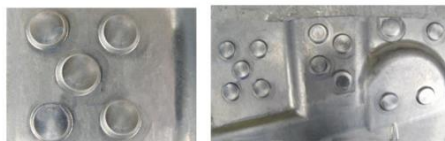
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Ductility test (BMW)



Description	Test parameter	Norm/comments
cover plate	EN AW-5182-2,5mm	GS 93013-3
tested material	casting material 2mm to 4 mm	test with cast skin
riveting	H 5,3 x 6,5 - 4	GS 96001-1
geometry of matrix	FM 1002215	Böllhof Company
final position of rivet head	rivet head overlap <0,5 mm	GS 96001-2
velocity of pincer	100-200 mm/s	
velocity of pincer	Visual inspection regarding required properties	 example: free of cracks after ductility tests



Ductility Test:

1. WS02004 once a shift at start and then once a day
2. Riveting Capability according GS 96001 at every initial sampling

Source: BMW norms





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Key Manufacturing Capabilities



<p>Porosity Specification</p>	<p>Control: X-Ray Blister Test Visual Inspection Metallography Analysis Density Analysis</p>	<p>Tool Design</p> 	<p>Jet Cooling Three plate die (Optimal metal flow) Squeeze Pins Sub-core technology Vacuum System</p>	<p>Cleaner technologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wax based release agent • Porous plug Argon degassing
<p>Wall Thickness</p>	<p>Control: GOM Measurement Micrometer Tight thermoregulation control</p>	<p>Casting</p> 	<p>Key process parameters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cycle time • Al Dosage temperature • Switchover • Compaction pressure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biscuit thickness • Piston velocity • Vacuum Pressure
<p>Mechanical Properties</p>	<p>Control: Universal Machine Test (UTS, Yield, % Elong, Bending Test) Spectral Analysis</p>	<p>Heat Treatment</p> 	<p>Modular Design</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → State-of-the-art construction to avoid loss of temperature → High precision of temperature control → Air quenching → Curve precisely optimized 	<p>Alloy Specification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Tight monitoring and control → Constant material adjustment
<p>Dimensional</p>	<p>Control: GOM Measurement CMM Measurement Straightening Fixtures Klopf Model Manual Gauges (Go/No-Go)</p>	<p>Straightening</p> 	<p>Straightening process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → RPS system defined with OEM → Electronic Profile Gages 	<p>Minimal part distortion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Air quenching → Advanced rack design

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TITLE

Body Lightweighting

ABSTRACT

OEM's are faced with enormous challenges driven by today's global emissions and fuel economy legislation. Nine governments worldwide, representing 80% of global vehicle market, have established or proposed emissions and fuel economy standards. Lightweight BIW design and manufacturing will play an increasing role in meeting these requirements. Ford will seek to introduce substantial weight savings of up to 340 kg. The recent introduction of the F150 Truck, a high volume, aluminum intensive BIW, achieves 320 kg. vehicle weight savings. Ford will continue to pursue BIW weight reduction actions through the use of advanced materials such as ultra-high strength steels, lightweight metals such as aluminum and magnesium and composites, proliferating them to global platforms.



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Delivering Smarter, Greener, Safer, Quality
& Innovative Body Structures

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OUTLINE



- Sustainability at Ford Motor Company
- CAFÉ, CO2 & NHTSA Drivers
- Body Weight Reduction Trends
 - Advanced High Strength Steel
 - Aluminum & Magnesium
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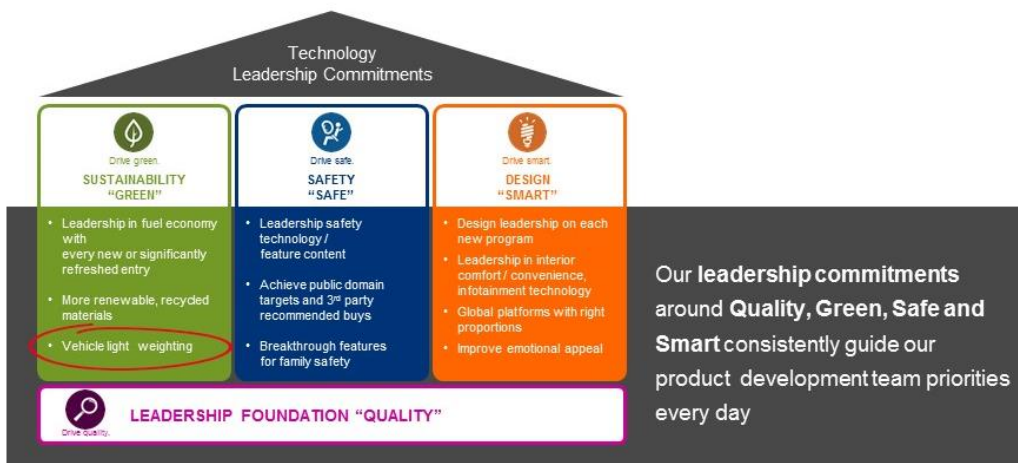
GLOBAL PRODUCT STRATEGY

- Bold, emotive exterior designs
- Great to drive
- Great to sit in
- Comfort & convenience of a 2nd home on wheels
- Remarkably quiet
- **Fuel Economy as a reason to buy**
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- All with exceptional value
- Vehicles that serve the needs of all customers



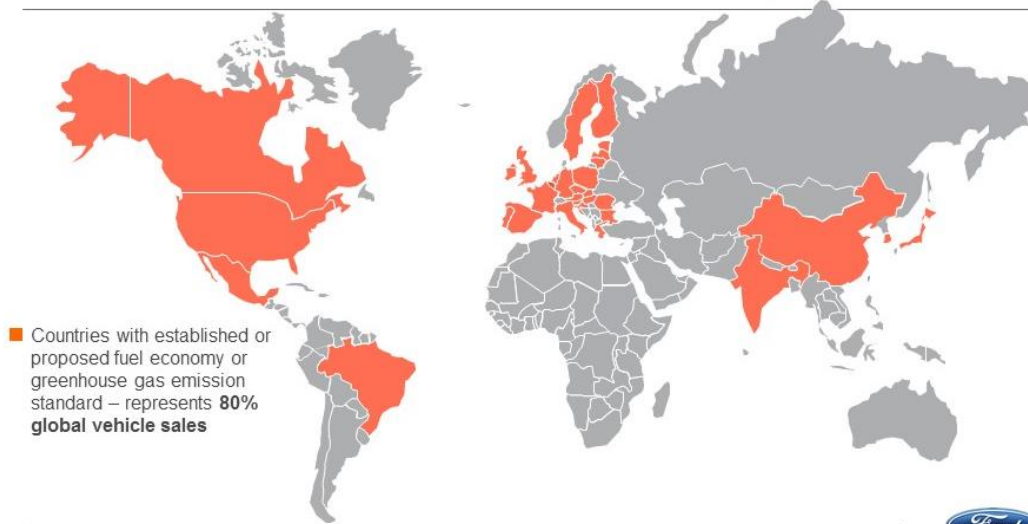
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SUSTAINABILITY – CLEAR TECHNOLOGY PRIORITIES



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GLOBAL CHALLENGES: Worldwide CO2 & Fuel Economy Standards

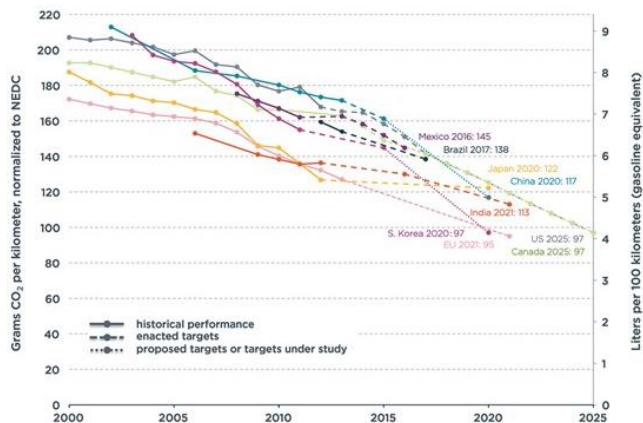


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GLOBAL EMISSIONS LIMITS

CO₂ emissions must be cut in half over the next 10 years.

This change demands drastic changes to vehicle structures.

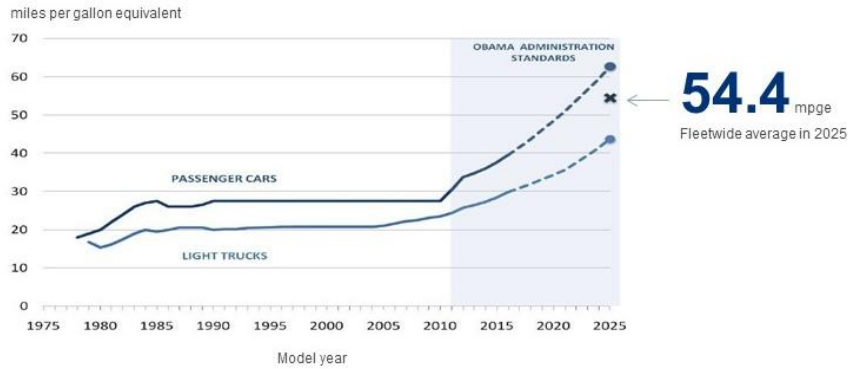


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NHTSA FUEL EFFICIENCY TARGETS

Light-Duty Vehicle Fuel Economy Standards, 1978 - 2025



Source: Green Technology, 2011.



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PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY



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NEAR-TERM



Downsize & Boost

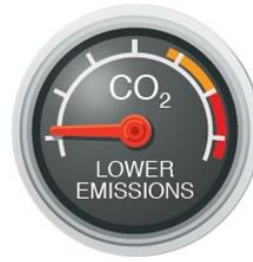
FUEL ECONOMY
IMPROVEMENT



EMISSIONS REDUCTION



UP TO
20%



UP TO
15%



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ECOBOOST TECHNOLOGY



I3 1.0 Liter



I4 Family



V6 Family



EcoBoost Technology at High Volume Across Global Platforms is the Near-Term Solution to Reduce CO₂ and Provide an Uncompromised Driving Experience for Customers



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ELECTRIFIED VEHICLES

NEAR-TERM **MID-TERM** LONG-TERM



C-MAX HYBRID **47/47 MPG City/Hwy**
(Prius V44/40)



C-MAX ENERGI **100 MPGe**
(Prius PHEV 95)



Focus ELECTRIC **110 MPGe City**
(Leaf 99)



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WEIGHT REDUCTION – MID-TERM

NEAR-TERM **MID-TERM** LONG-TERM

WEIGHT REDUCTION
of 250-750 lbs. (113-340) kg




Smaller displacement engines
Smaller components
Lightweight materials



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LONG-TERM

NEAR-TERM

MID-TERM

LONG-TERM

Advances In Powertrain Technology Alone Are Not Sufficient To Meet Long Term Needs

- Mass reduction will play a key role in gaining further fuel efficiencies and extending the range of hybrid and electric vehicles.
- Gasoline based cars and trucks will be a feature for many years to come.



FIESTA ECONETIC

73.5 MPG
3.2 L/100 km
87 g CO2 / km



FOCUS ELECTRIC

110 MPG equivalent



FUSION / MONDEO

Hybrid : 42 MPG
Energi Plug In : 88 MPG



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What adds weight ?

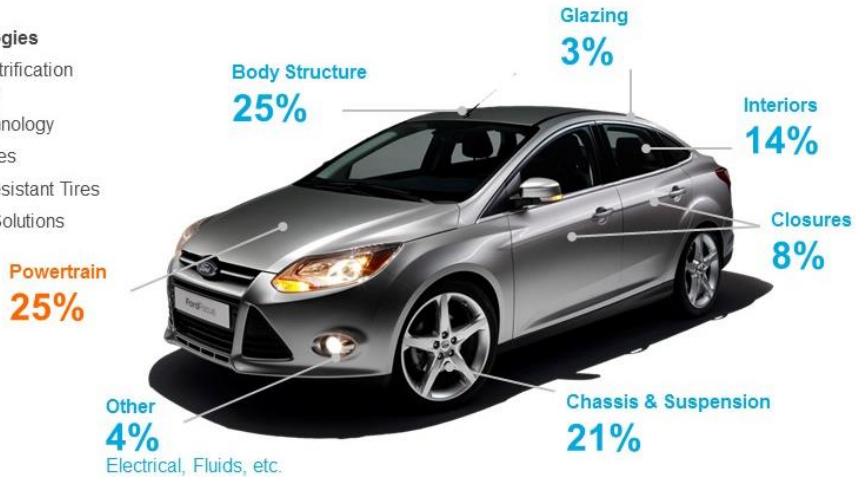


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WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION – TYPICAL SEDAN

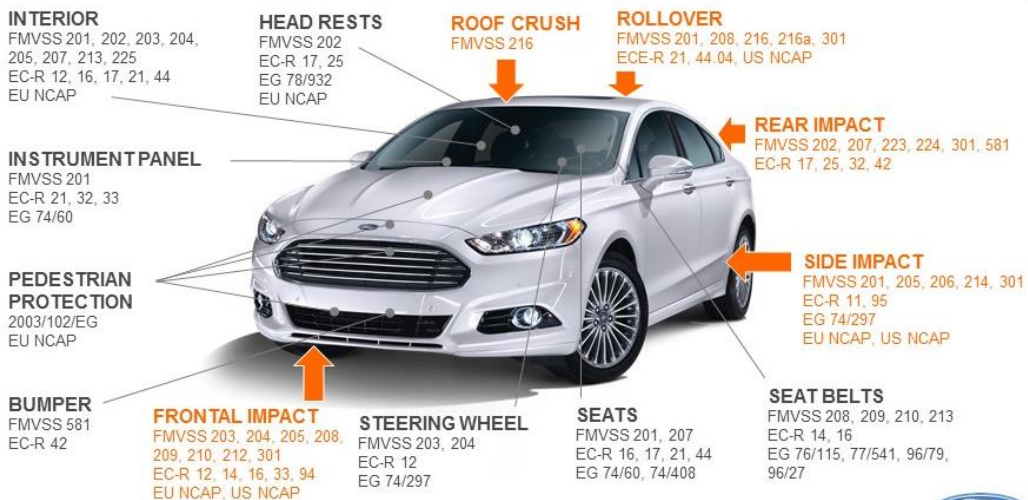
Future Technologies

- Degree of Electrification & Hybridization
- Start Stop Technology
- Boosted Engines
- Low Rolling Resistant Tires
- Aerodynamic Solutions



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REQUIREMENTS ADDING WEIGHT TO VEHICLES



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DESIGN & CUSTOMER FEATURES



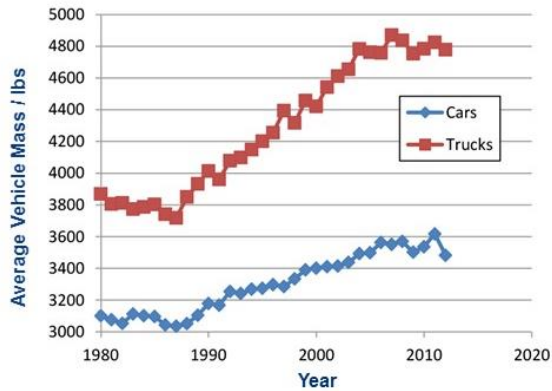
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AVERAGE VEHICLE WEIGHT 1980-2012 (NA)

Since 1998,
the average vehicle mass has
increased by...

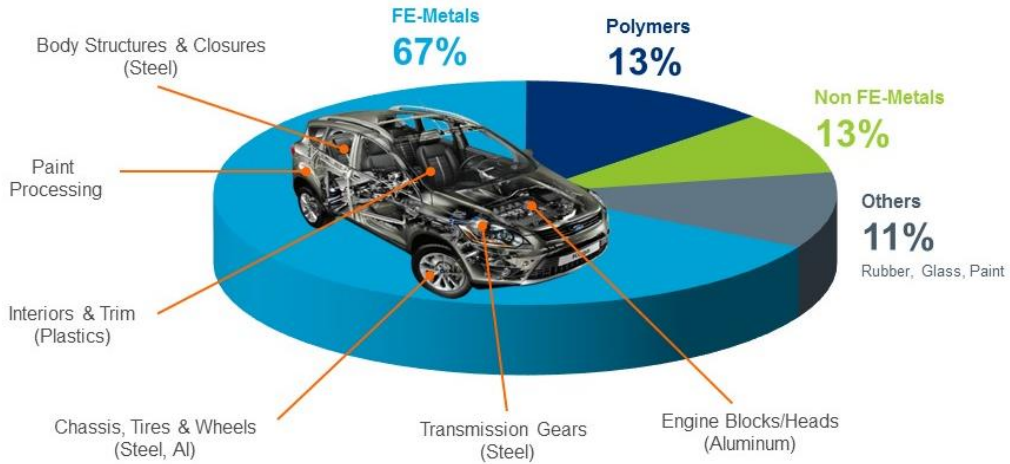
17 lbs /yr for cars

42 lbs /yr for trucks



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AUTOMOTIVE MATERIALS USAGE – TODAY



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MATERIAL DELIVER WEIGHT REDUCTION

Advanced High Strength Steel – Weight savings potential additional 7 to 10%

- Most mature technology
- Stamping, Joining & Assy Infrastructure Exists
- Lowest cost alternative
- Tooling upgrades required

Aluminum - Weight savings potential 40 to 50%

- Solid experience with Al Sheet (Closures)
- Material cost is higher than advanced steels
- Slight tooling upgrades required
- Extrusions & Castings offer part consolidation opportunities

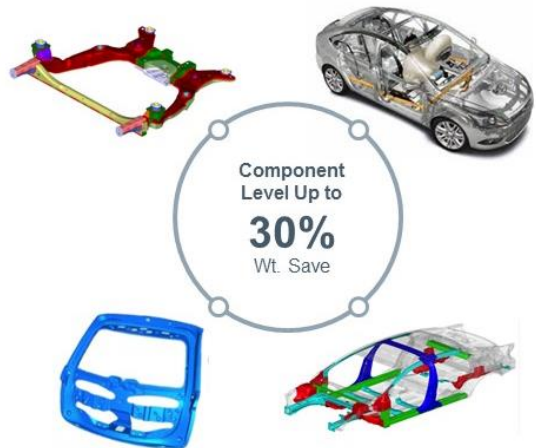
Magnesium - Weight savings potential 50 to 60%

- Casting is currently the only economically viable manufacturing process
- Corrosion can be an issue in some applications
- Material supply base and converters in a state of flux
- Sheet development in research phase

Polymer Composites - Weight savings potential 10 to 60+%

- Good supply base for Injection Molding & sheet molded composite (SMC)
- Class B surface and semi-structural applications
- Carbon Fiber only starts to look promising @ \$5-8 / lb
- Infrastructure to Make CF small and needs to grow

Multi-Materials Lightweight Vehicles – Optimizing all materials systems



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FORD GLOBAL DESIGN & MANUFACTURING FOOTPRINT

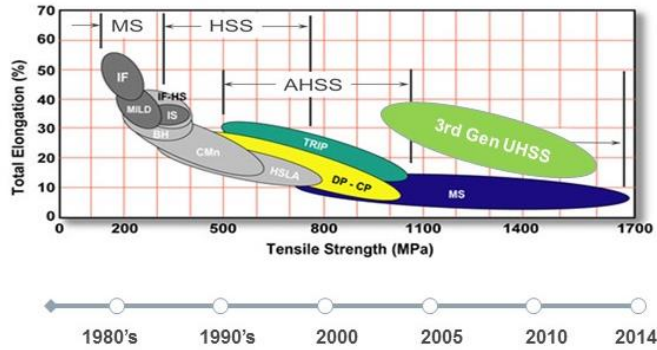


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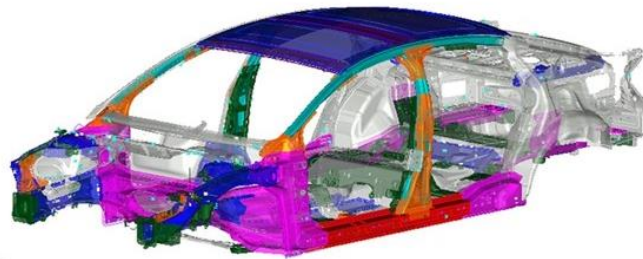
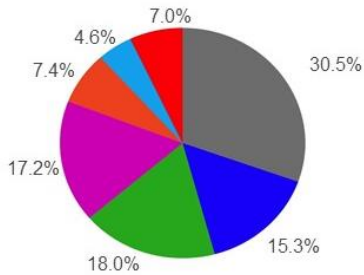
STEEL GRADES



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MATERIAL – BIW

- Mild Steel
- BH – HSLA (YS < 300)
- HSLA (YS > 300)
- DP 600
- DP 800
- DP 1000
- Boron - Martensitic



348 Mpa
CURRENT BIW
avg Yield Strength

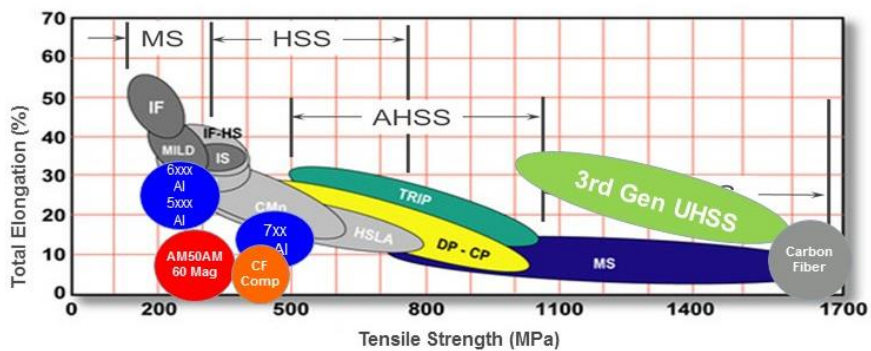
410 Mpa
NEXT GEN BIW avg
Yield Strength



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MATERIAL SELECTION



CHOOSING THE RIGHT MATERIAL, ON THE RIGHT PRODUCT, AT THE RIGHT TIME !



ALUMINUM EXPERIENCE – ALUMINUM MILESTONES AT FORD



1908 FORD MODEL 'T' SEDAN
Simple Sheet Aluminum Hood



1992 TOWN CAR
1st returning aluminum panel 100,000/yr



1999 LINCOLN LS
Aluminum Hood, Fenders, Decklid



1979 LINCOLN VERSAILLES
1st Aluminum Hood Assembly



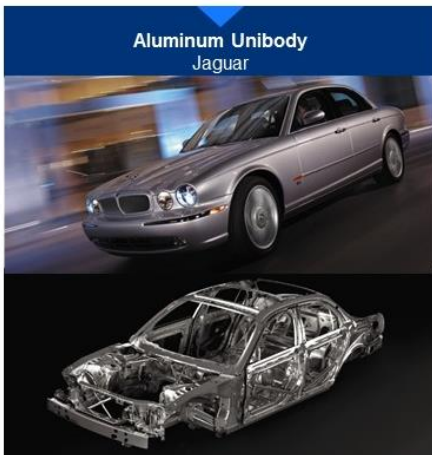
1996 FORD TAURUS
High volume Aluminum Decklid 300,000/yr



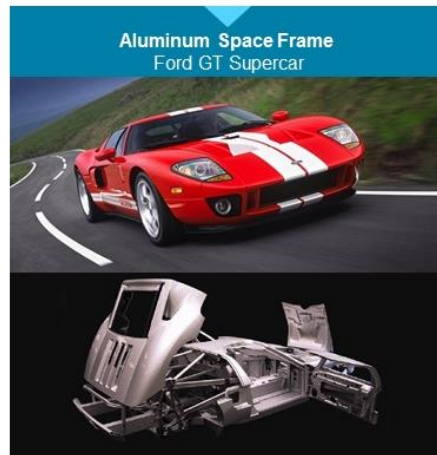
1996 FORD F150
Very high volume Aluminum Hood 900,000/yr



ALUMINUM – PRODUCTION APPLICATIONS



Aluminum Unibody
Jaguar



Aluminum Space Frame
Ford GT Supercar



ALUMINUM F150 – HIGHEST VOLUME PRODUCTION VEHICLE



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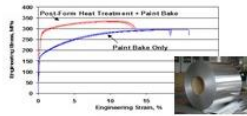
TECHNICAL CHALLENGES

		HIGH VOLUME	TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	SUPPLY BASE	CHANGE OVER
DIE DESIGN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forming Limits Yield Strength Slivers 	✓	✓	✓	✓
JOINING TECHNOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laser Welding Riveting Flow Drill Screwing Adhesives 	✓	✓	✓	✓
MATERIAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 - 6 Different Alloys Material Segregation Collection / Recycling Material Aging Material Properties 	✓	✓	✓	✓
HYDROFORMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forming Limits Post-forming processes 	✓	✓	✓	✓



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ALUMINUM TECHNOLOGY LEADERS



Higher Strength Aluminum



Advanced Pretreatments & Adhesives



Advanced Joining (SPR's & Flow Drill Screws)



Hydroformed Aluminum



Resistant Spot Welding

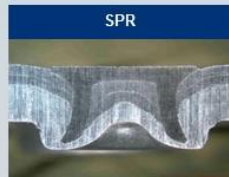


NEW TECHNOLOGY

Mechanical Spot Joining

Self-piercing rivets, flow drill screws and clinches used on complex stacks of thicker and higher strength materials.

- Launched all new Laboratory with SPR, Flow Drill Screw and Clinch capability.
- Implemented Ford-First technology on Flow Drill Screws



Resistance Spot Welding

MFDC resistance spot welding needs to be developed to enable reduction of transformer sizes and to enable high currents required for Al welding.

- Designed, acquired, installed industry-first 2400A aluminum RSW cells.
- New multi-step weld sequence improves weld effectiveness to 99% (similar to steel).

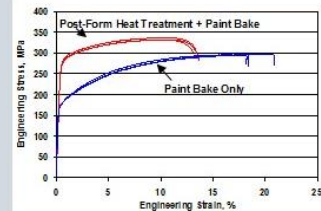


NEW TECHNOLOGY

Post-Forming Heat Treatment

Heat Treatment after stamping but prior to body construction results in significantly higher in service panel strength without introducing new and expensive alloys.

- Novel heat treatment process achieves >70 MPa increase without using new alloys.
- Process has been shown to be compatible with downstream processes.



Lubricants for Improved Formability

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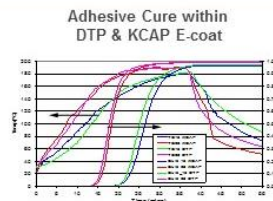
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Adhesives and Pretreatments

Adhesive to improve stiffness of aluminum structure is governed by adhesive selection and pretreatment.

- Implementation Readiness for Alcoa 951 pretreatment for coil-applied and batch parts.
- Detailed required Paint Shop modifications to ensure adhesive cure.



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WEIGHT

GOAL
40%



X0 PROTOTYPE
WEIGHT SAVINGS

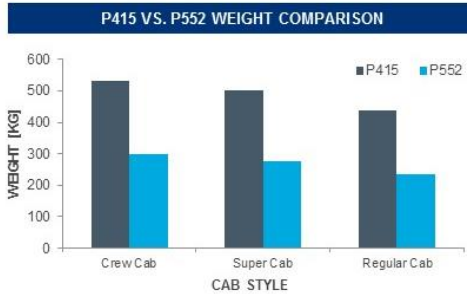
36%

X1 PROTOTYPE
WEIGHT SAVINGS

40%

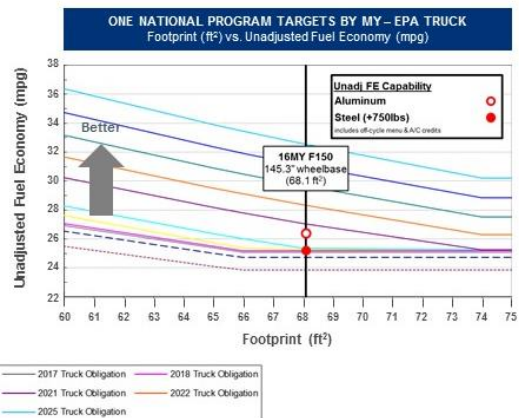
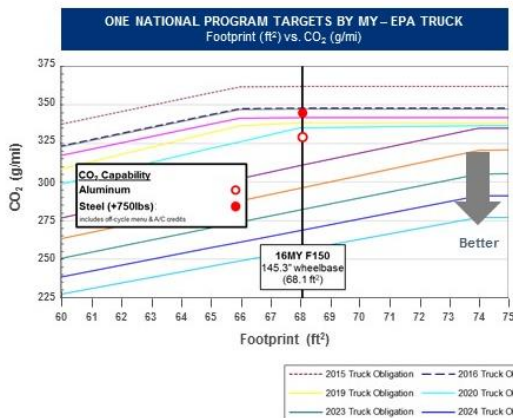
F-150
WEIGHT SAVINGS

45%



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FUEL ECONOMY AND CO2 EMISSIONS STANDARDS



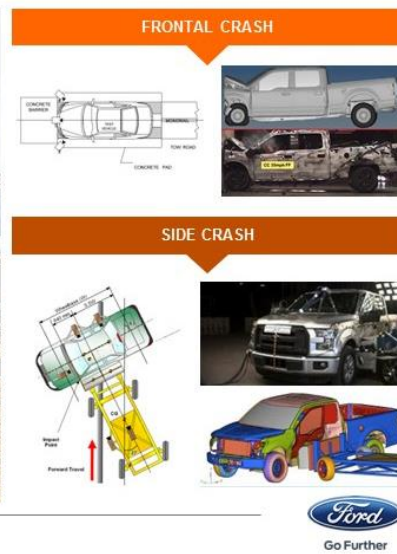
F150 achieves 2020 level Truck Fuel Economy and CO2 Emissions Regulations



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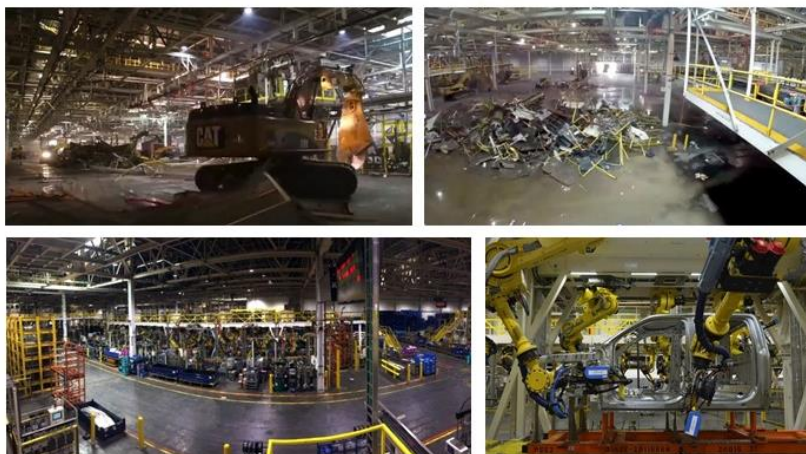
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THE TRUTH ABOUT TRUCKS: SAFETY



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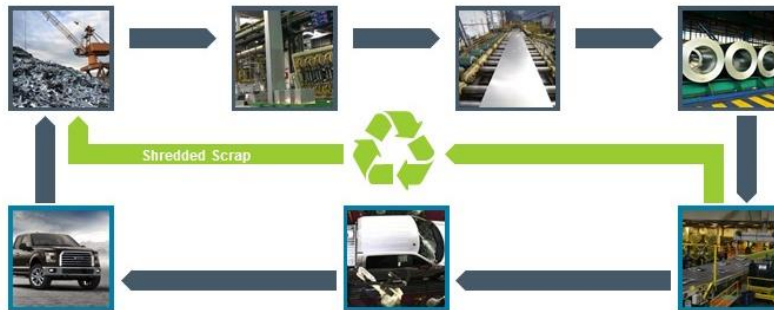
CONVERTING THE BODY SHOP IN 4 WEEKS



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ALUMINUM INTENSIVE VEHICLES – RECYCLING ISSUES

- Energy to recycle aluminum is approximately 5% of the energy required to extract, process and fabricate new metal
- In order to have “closed-loop recycling”, alloys must be segregated by composition.
- Dearborn Stamping has new technology that allows for 4-way segregation.
- 87% of the total stamping scrap is tolled back to the aluminum suppliers
- Displaces 1/3 of the primary aluminum



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MOST CAPABLE



**BEST-IN-CLASS
TOWING**
UP TO 12,200 LBS

**BEST-IN-CLASS
PAYLOAD**
UP TO 3,300 LBS

**MOST FUEL-EFFICIENT
F-150 EVER**
26 MPG



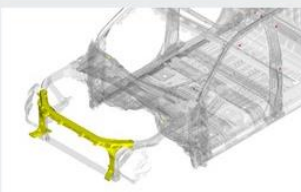
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Magnesium Applications



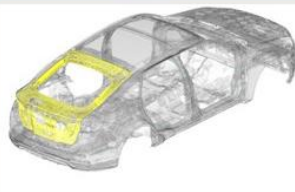
Cast Magnesium Body Applications

F-150 Magnesium Bolster



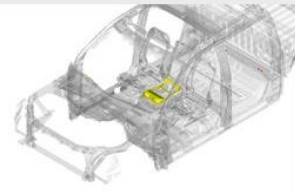
In production since 2004
Approx. 6.5M units

Magnesium Liftgate Fusion/MKT



In production since 2009
Approx. 100k units

Seat Frame F-150 & Explorer



In production since 2009
Approx. 2.2M units

Magnesium Summary





- 30% Lower density, plus thinner gage & lower draft angles leads to 40% lighter parts compared to Al castings.
- Less machining and not heat treating enables piece price savings compared to Al castings
- Longer tool life vs Al enables cost reduction.





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LOW VOLUME CARBON FIBER APPLICATIONS

Aston Martin Vanquish	Current Ford GT	Ford Mustang GT500KR	2016 Ford GT
			
Carbon fiber composite transmission tunnel, braided A-pillar, front end crash structure (400-800 units/year)	Carbon fiber composite rear deck lid and seats (4500 units total)	Carbon fiber hood (<5000 units/yr)	Carbon fiber Supercar



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ONE PIECE CARBON FIBER REAR DECKLID INNER



Aluminum Inner - 12 Kg
Random Carbon Fiber - 6.5Kg



LARGEST MONOLITHIC CF DOOR INNER



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THE ALL NEW FORD GT CARBON FIBER SUPERCAR



*Ford Redefines Innovation in
Aerodynamics, EcoBoost and Light-Weighting*



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OPTIONS FOR COMPOSITE INTENSIVE APPLICATIONS?

- New applications need to be transparent to existing downstream assembly processes and capable of tolerating e-coat oven bake temperatures.
- Early adoption will be limited to sub-assembly applications that have minimal impact on existing bill of process and assembly plant tooling.
- Longer term applications will include substantial elements of the primary body structure and require changes to the bill of process and new capital investment.

Roof and Floor Structure Panels



Body Side Structure Components



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CURRENT ROAD BLOCKS

Current **Road Blocks** to Widespread Implementation of Carbon Fiber:

Material Cost
& Volatility

Material
availability

Inadequate
manufacturing
methods for
high volume
throughput

Legacy
constraints
(existing
infrastructure)



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SUMMARY

Body Lightweighting Conclusions

- Body lightweighting design will play an increasingly central role in new vehicle development
- Innovative and intelligent solutions are needed in material development and manufacturing technology
- These solutions need to be affordable and scalable to meet the OEM's global footprint, global platforms and volume requirements
- Body lightweighting trends toward higher grade and lighter alloy metals and composites will accelerate



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TITLE

Light Weighting the Automotive Industry - The Road to 2025 CAFÉ

ABSTRACT

By 2025, the U.S. automotive industry will have to average 54.5 mpg (4.3l/100km) Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFÉ). While new/improved powertrain technology is critical, 25-40% of the new CAFE will require significant vehicle mass reduction including using lightweight structural materials. This presentation discusses new developments in light metals (aluminum and magnesium), non-metals (plastics and carbon-fiber reinforced composites), and conventional heavy metals (iron and steel). Aluminum components used to be simple castings, requiring minimal fatigue strength and elongation. Now, vacuum die castings, stampings, forgings and extrusions can be used in structural applications where higher quality processing is required to improve elongation and strength. New grades of lightweight (i.e. thinner) ultra-high strength steels can save over 1/3 the mass vs heavier conventional mild steels but require more expensive processing. Engines can be lighter in compacted graphite cast iron than in aluminum because of its higher strength at higher combustion temperature and pressures. Lightweight materials often require specialized processing and assembly techniques to produce components and hybrid assemblies and require unique joining/bonding, and corrosion-inhibiting techniques. The presentation will examine lightweighting strategies of Asian, American and European marques and the materials, component designs and assembly techniques to achieve the required corporate CAFÉ.

Light Weighting the Automotive Industry The Road to 2025 CAFE

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Organization of Presentation

- **Who Is Automotive Insight LLC**
- **CO₂ emissions, CAFÉ**
- **Importance of mass reduction**
- **Automotive materials (S,A,P,M,MM)**
- **Joining different materials**
- **MR in select vehicles...Ford F150**
- **Summary and Conclusion**

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- **Provides Al, Mg, CI lightweight strategies to meet 2025 fuel efficiency/emissions targets.**
- **Helps design, cast, optimize & qualify lightweighted components to NA standards with NDE, mechanical testing and ISO 9001:2015/TS16949 standards.**

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Automotive Insight LLC



- **Connects die casters with NA OEM's/Tier 1's.**
- **Facilitates JV/M&A partnering between Asian and NA die casters to enhance NA supply base capabilities.**

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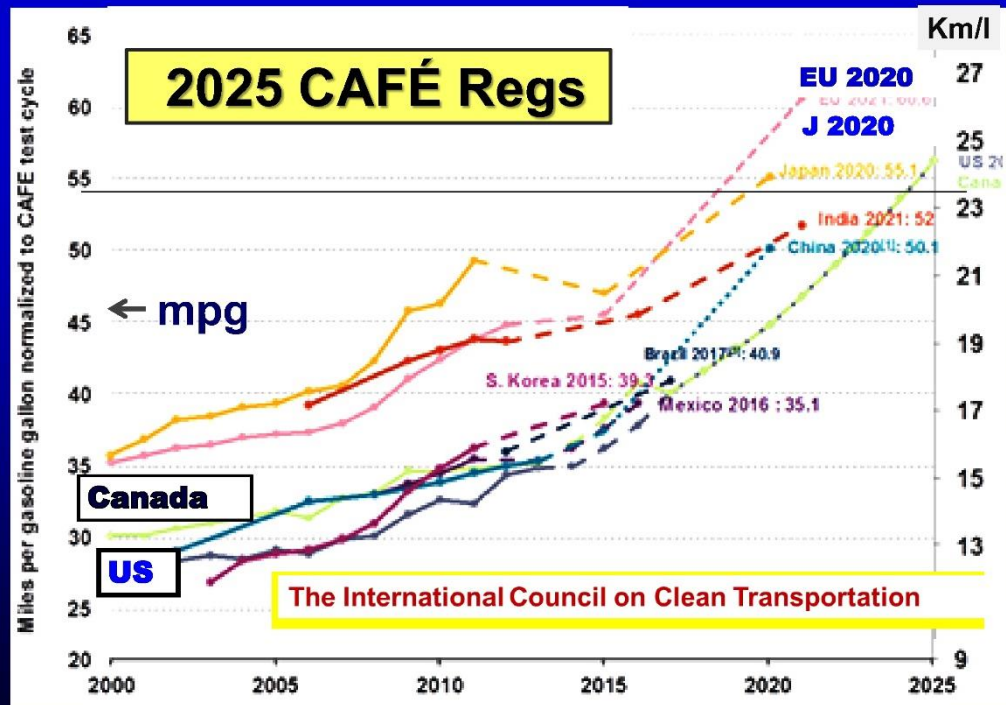
**There is a major effort by
NA governments to
reduce emissions via
improved CAFÉ**

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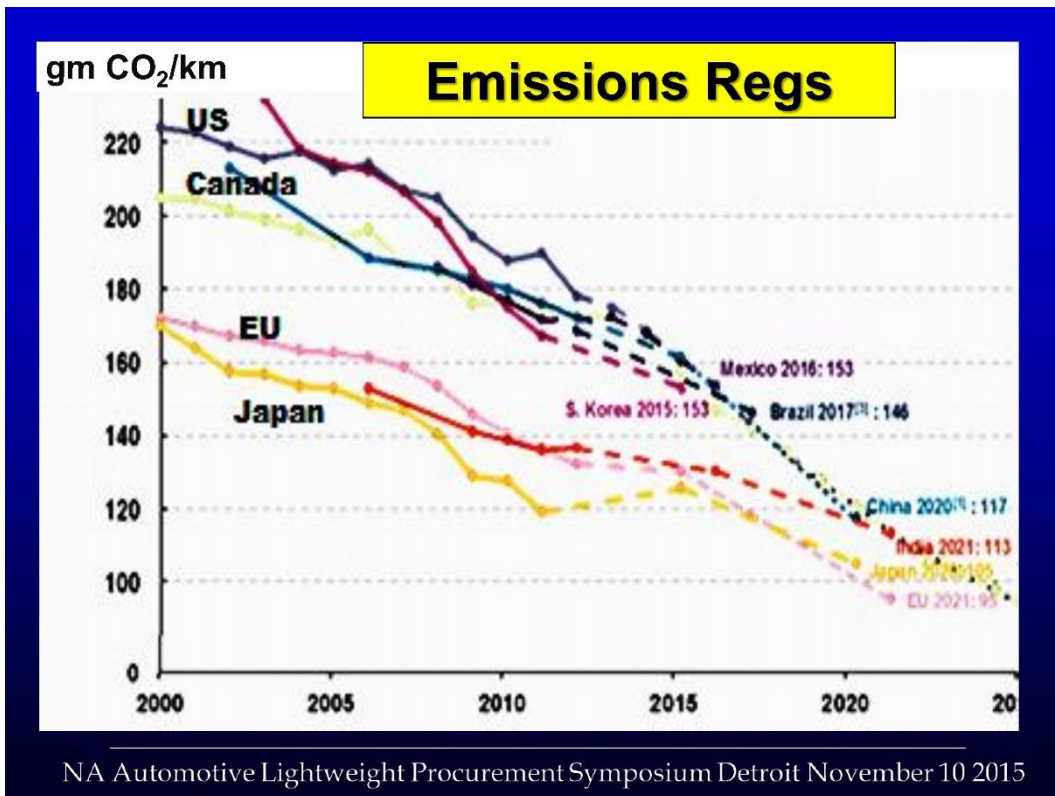
2010: 22.4 mpg
2011: 27.3 mpg
2012: 33.3 mpg car
25.4 mpg truck
2016: Fleet av 35mpg
39.5 mpg cars
30 mpg trucks.
2025: 54.5 mpg

Actual standards are vague. Credits exist for electric, hybrid, H₂ & E85.

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Most of the fuel efficiency required for 2025 CAFÉ will be from powertrain

25-40% will be from mass reduction ... mainly aluminum and AHSS steel, + polymers, CFR polymer composites (CFRP) and light cast irons (CGI, SGI, ADI)

and engineering redesign

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**Mass reduction
reduces the inertial forces
the engine has to
overcome.....**

**Less mass = less fuel
= less GHG**

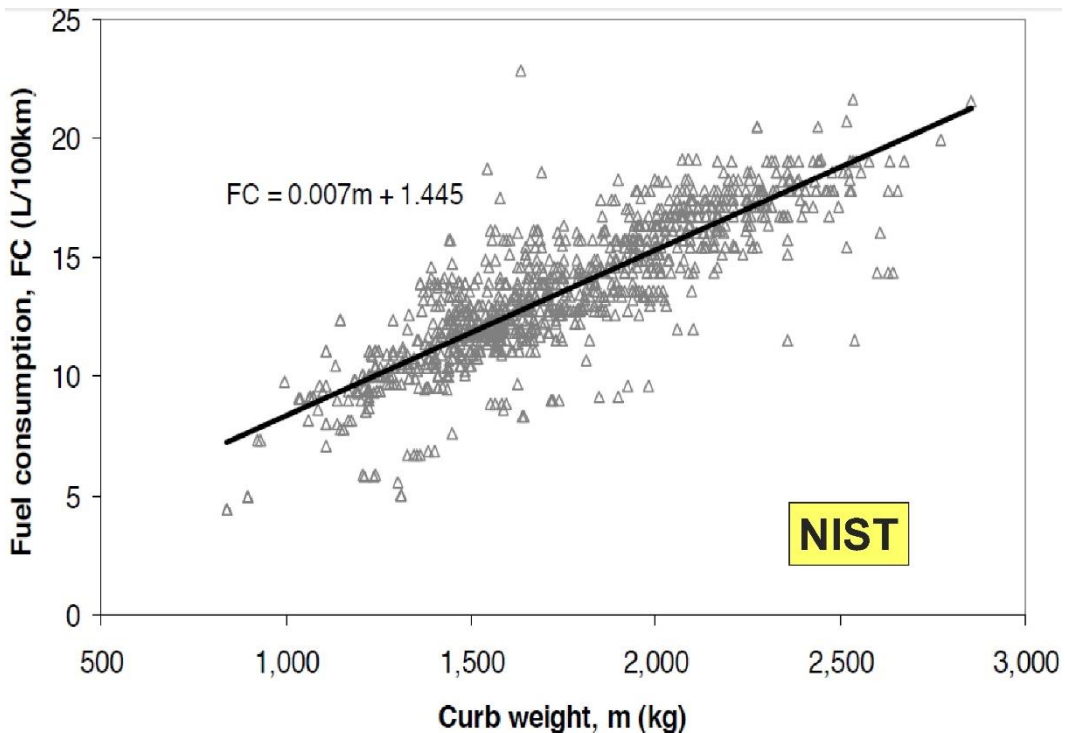
(1l gasoline = 2.3 kg CO₂)

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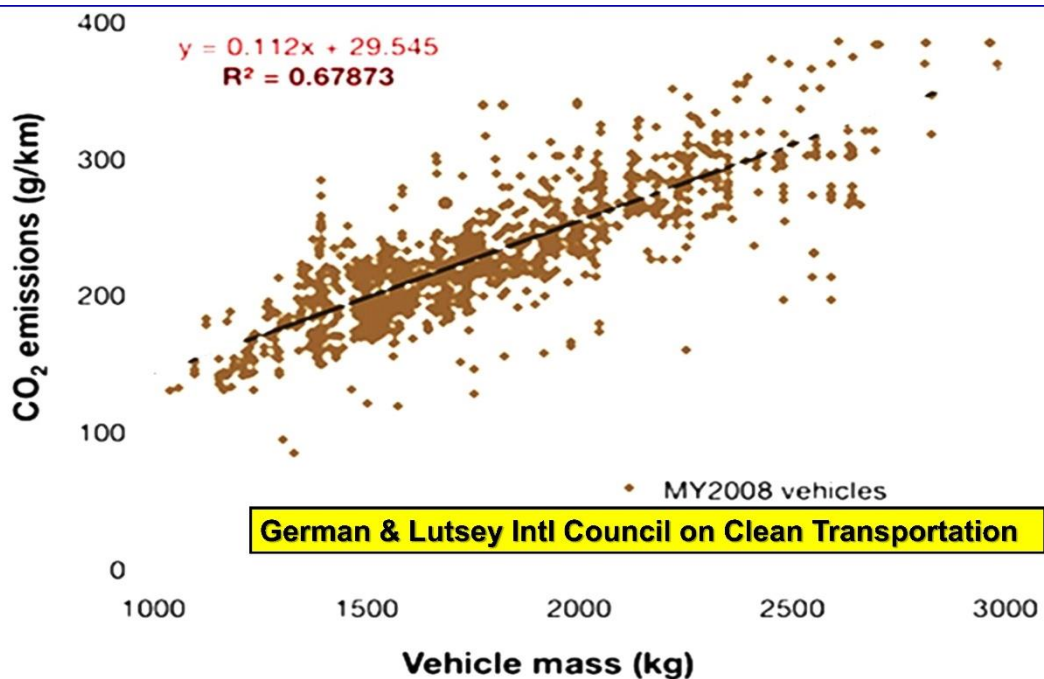
**Typically 10% MR equates to 3-6% FE or ER improvement.
IF THERE IS MASS COMPOUNDING**

1 k MR results in secondary MR via downsizing: powertrain, suspension, brakes, wheels, fasteners, a further 0.25-0.5 k

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(6/19/2015) EPA, DOT Proposed GHG/Fuel Efficiency Standards for Heavy-Duty Trucks

10% MR reduces fuel by 5-10%

- 10 Cast Al wheels save 400 #
- Al axle hubs save 120 # vs iron or steel
- Al clutch housing saves 50 # vs iron
- Downsized engine saves over 700 #
- Composite Ft axle springs save 70 #

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**Mass reduction
(+ mass redistribution)
also improve....
acceleration, braking,
drivability, handling and
crash safety**

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**All auto companies are
now designing 3-5%
annual mass reduction
as a strategic
requirement for new
product development.**

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Every vehicle component is being scrutinized from door latches to headlights, powertrain, body-in-white & body panels

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Almost 50% of ~ 900 engineers surveyed by WARDS say their companies are concentrating on mass reduction & lightweight structural materials to hit 2025 FE targets.

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Mazda Strategy

- MR is centerpiece of product planning. It is an essential technology in its environmental performance.
- Δ MR will be 110 kg from next generation of each model = 5 % FE increase for each new car.

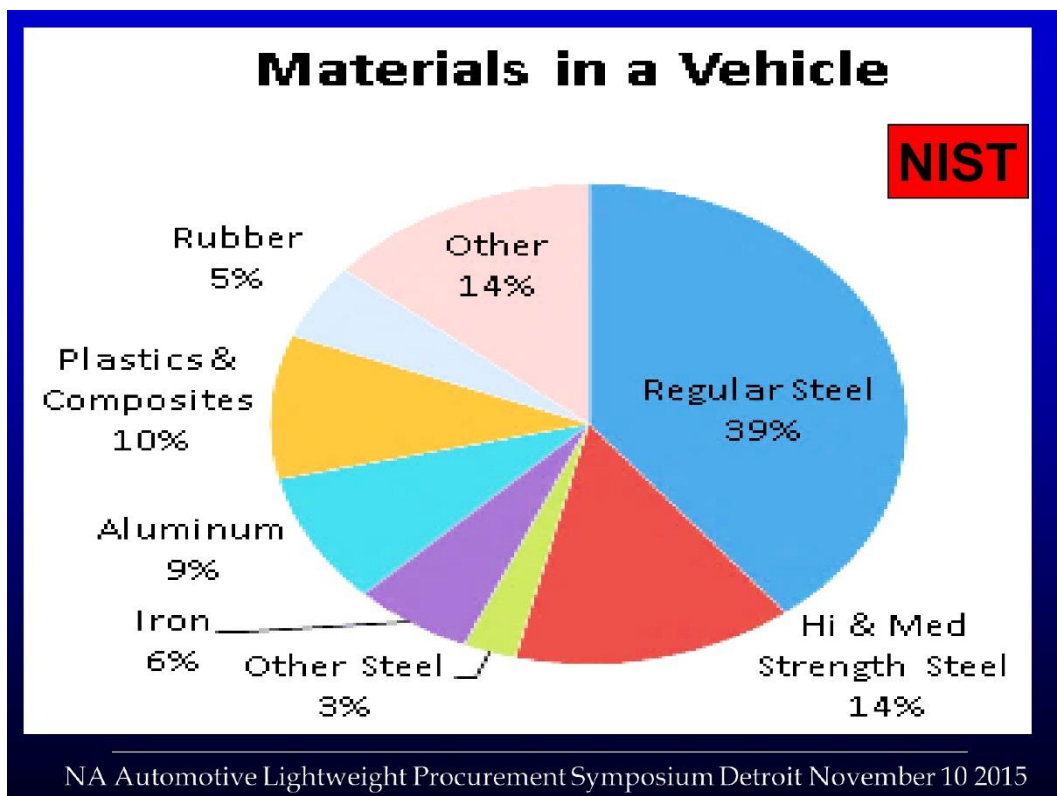
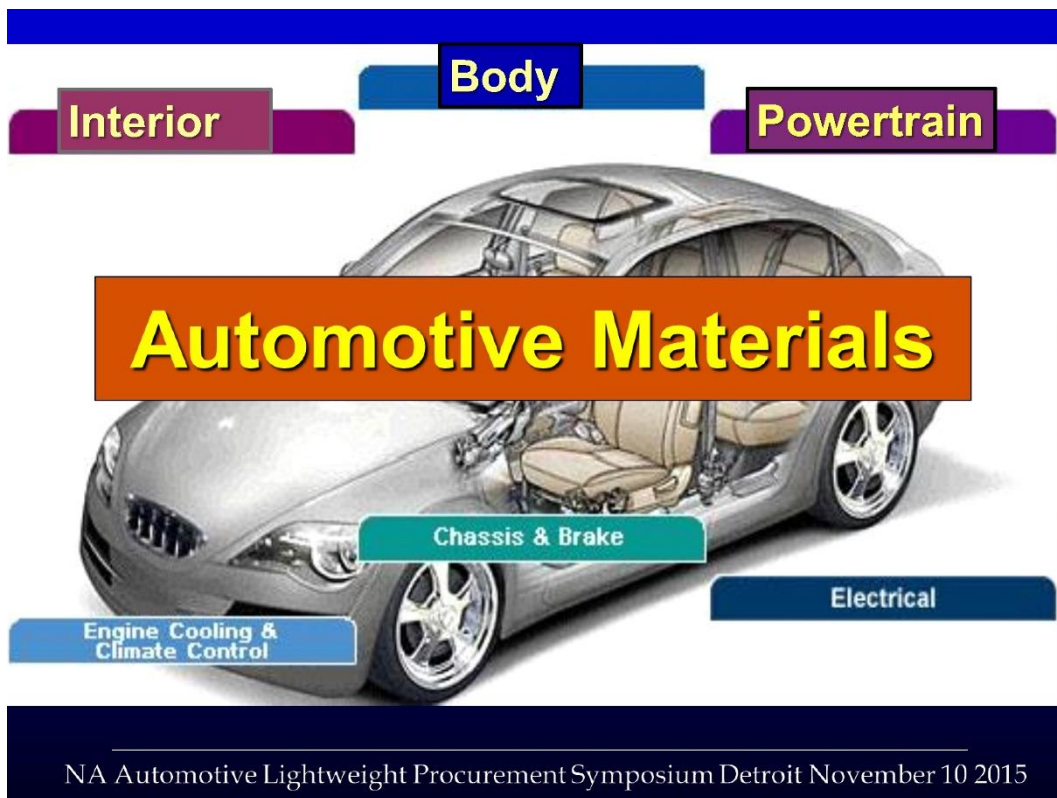
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Koichi Kamiji, Sr Chief Engineer for Auto Safety, Honda R&D

The premium of MR requires

- ***Not only new lightweight materials***
BUT
- Shaving grams from any component not related to safety”
- New engineering/design architectures,
- Advanced cabin safety technologies

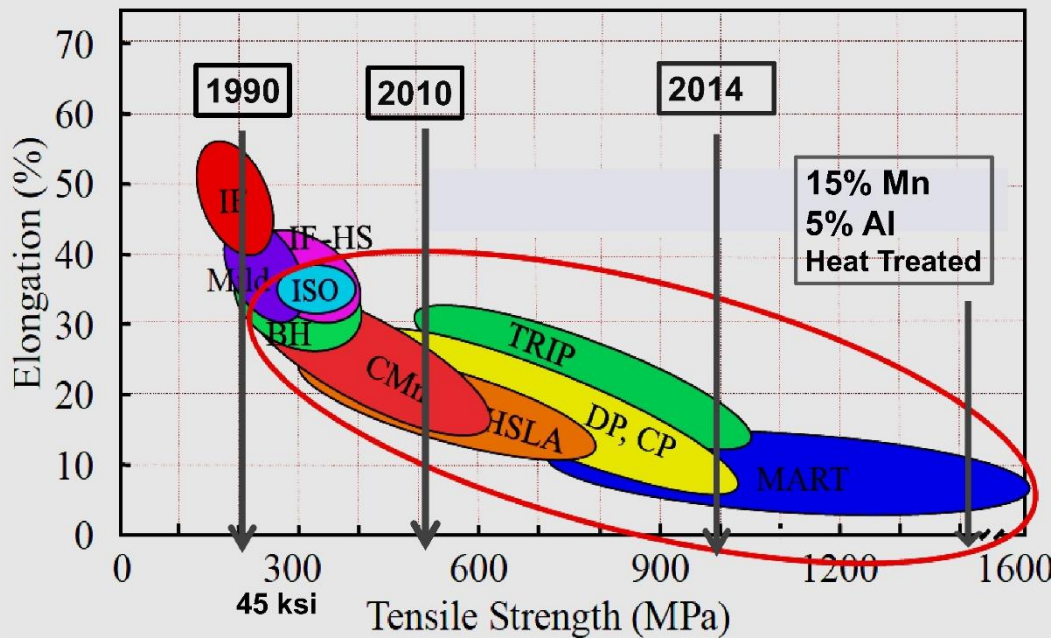
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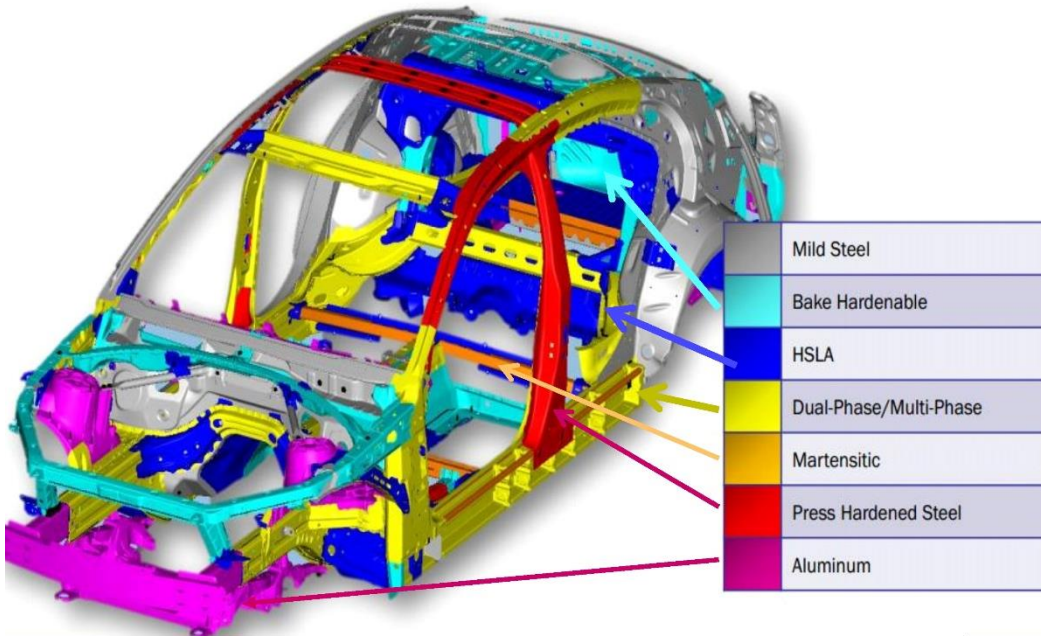
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New Ultra High Strength Steels



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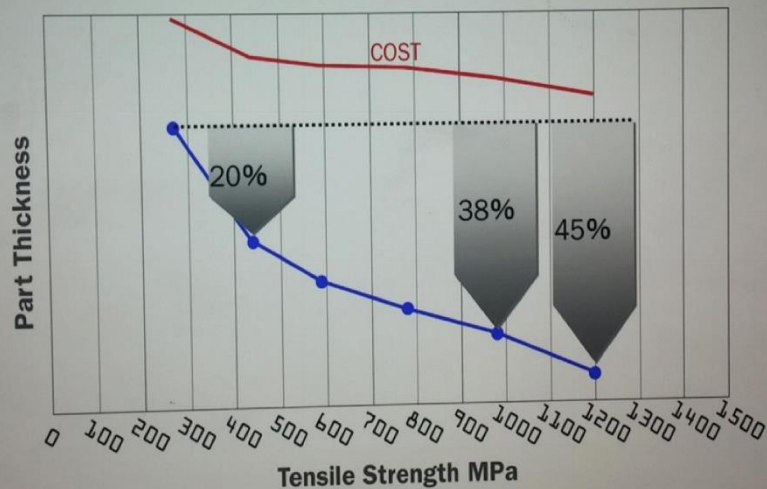
B-I-W Materials in 2013 Cadillac ATS



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Why Apply Advanced High-Strength Steel?

Mass Reduction.



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Aluminum

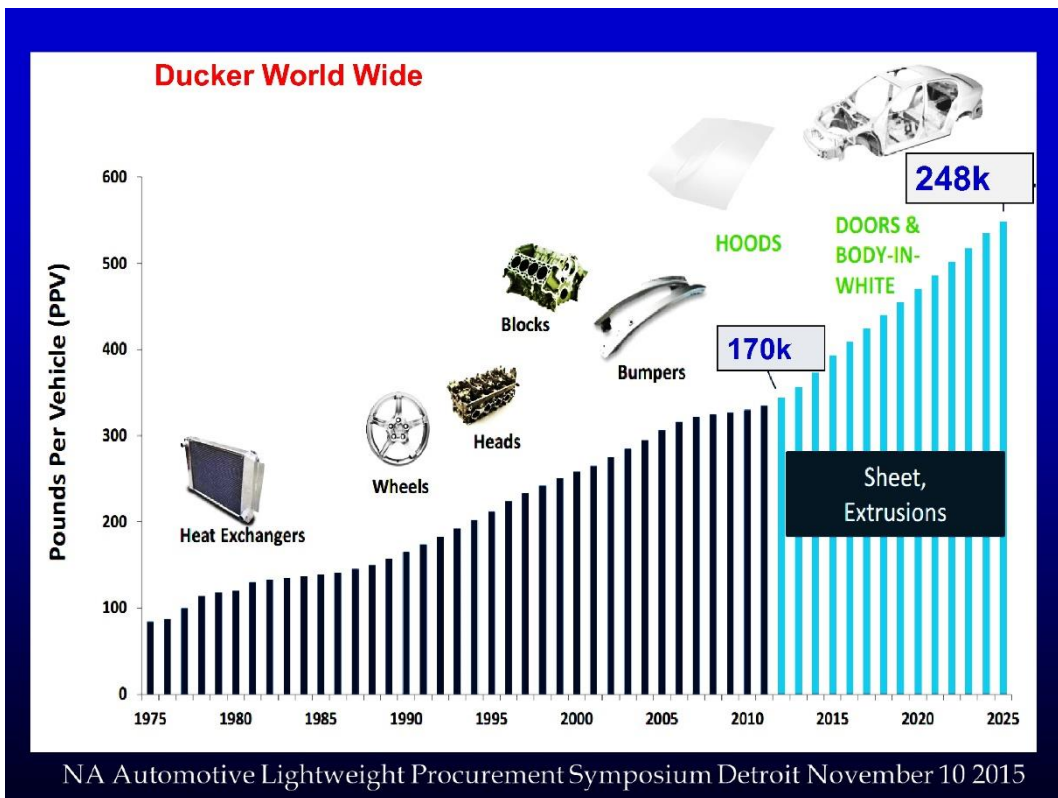
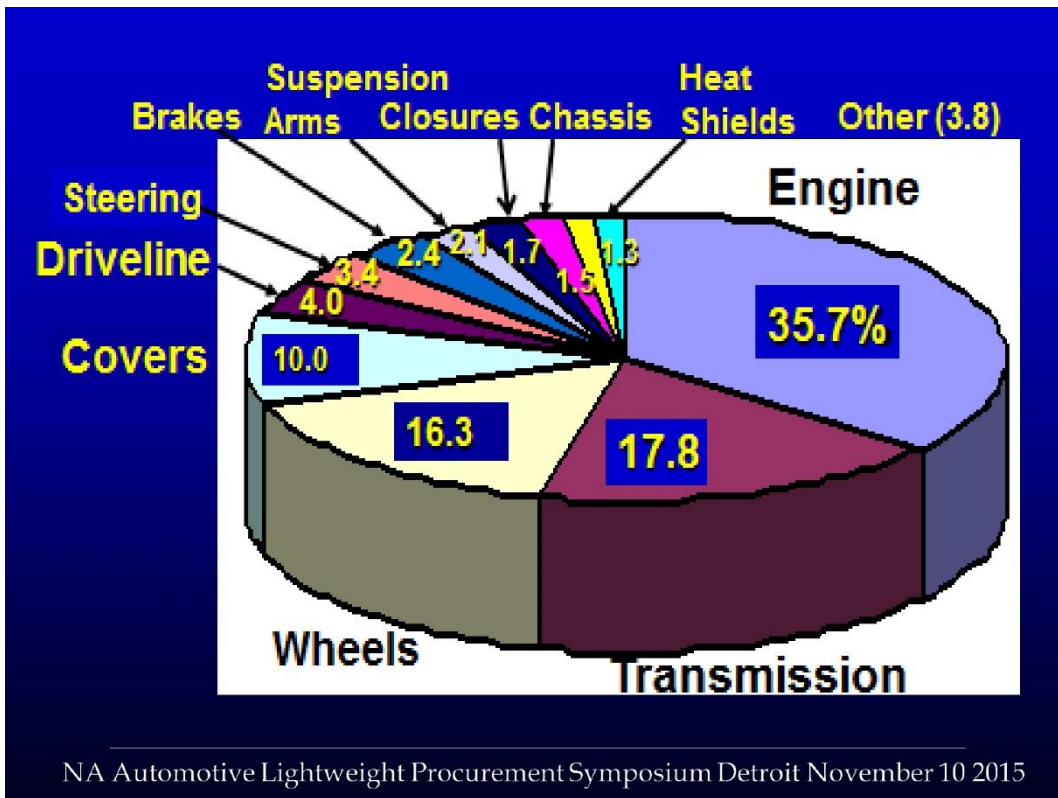
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Al Part Manufacturing Processes

- Castings
- Wrought products
- Extrusions
- Stamped sheet

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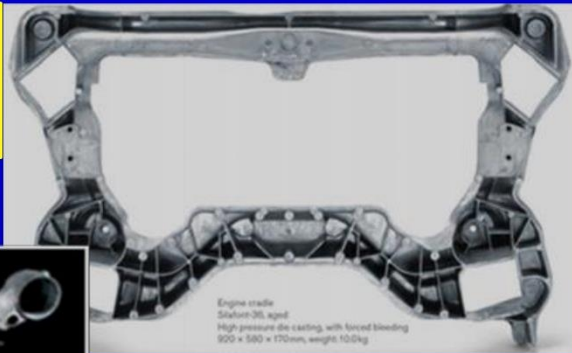
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- **New CAE, casting processes (LP/vacuum HPDC), & heat treat increase quality & improve fatigue & tensile properties.**
- **HPDC dominates for most engine blocks, heads, manifolds & transmissions .. But there are porosity & fatigue-related defects.**

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BMW engine cradle HPDC in Rheinfelden



Multi-piece cast/welded subframe for BMW 7



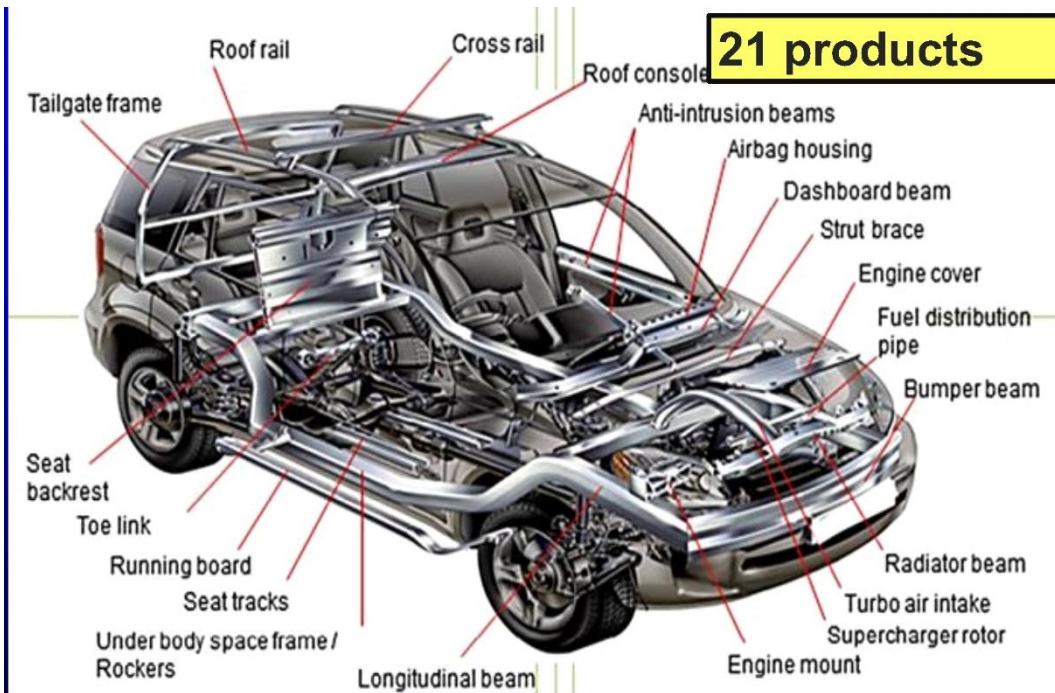
Rear Cross member, HPDC, 4 mm wall

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Extrusions

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Al Extrusion Council

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Examples of High Al Content Vehicles

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2013 Range Rover Sport



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- **561 kg** conventional Al & 20% higher strength AC600 PX alloy used in the sheet intensive body.
- Al 356/T6 heat treated cast alloy used for structural applications in control arms, knuckles, sub-frames & instrument panel.
- **Fuel efficiency increased by ~15 % from 23 mpg to 26 mpg**

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2016 Jaguar XE AI



"Lightweight AI accounts for 75 % of the structure. The 265 lb MR ensures that the XE will be the most FE Jaguar yet."

- **More AI Vs previous: body sides, hood & fenders are stamped 6000-series. HPDC AI front suspension towers give greater stiffness.**
- **Self-piercing rivets/structural adhesives.**
- **Advanced hot-formed B steel in rear members & B-pillar reinf.**
- **Mg alloys in front-end carrier & cross-car beam.**

2015 Ford F-150 pickup truck



**Most novel Al-intensive vehicle.
@ 770,000 units,
#1 vehicle sold globally**

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Al body



AHSS frame

- **High-strength alloy 6000-T4: dent resistant, formable, Class A surface. 30 kg extrusions. All skins collected and recycled by Alcoa**
- **4000 rivets. New Alcoa pretreatment & adhesives.**

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- 450 kg total Al: 300 kg in cargo box, body, hood, tailgate
- Chassis/frame: 77% HSS vs 23%
- Low mass CGI engine block *
- **~318 kg lighter (+ 12-13%)**
- **8-20% better fuel efficiency (~30 mpg)**

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Ducker

- **By 2025, 18% of vehicles will have all-Al bodies compared with < 1% now. By 2025, 70% of pickups could be Al intensive.**
- **It's a big risk but worth the effort.**

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Plastics

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Plastics Poised for Comeback

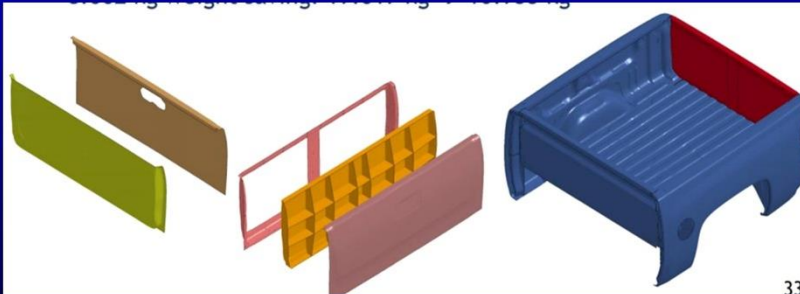
OEM's intensifying their search for MR ideas. Plastics ~ 50 % lighter vs comparable steel parts in fenders and other exterior pieces on Renault, Peugeot, Citroen, Mitsubishi and Chery vehicles.

But good computer models of crash are lacking

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Truck Bed

Steel replaced by blend of PBT or PET & polycarbonate, + polypropylene reinforced with long glass fibers



➤ **MR 8.66 kg (19.62 – 10.96 kg)**

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Plastic
Door Intrusion Beam

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BMW Lightweighting

“There is no way around making cars lighter. Steel has reached its limit, and carbon fiber reinforced composites (CFRPs) are now

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DCT (a Detroit-based company) developed a 15% C-fiber (7 μm , 50:1 aspect ratio) 85% epoxy resin blend paste.

**➤ 1 mm paste sprayed & cured onto 0.6 mm steel sheet increased dent resistance ~ 0.8 mm thick sheet
= 20% mass reduction at no cost.**

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Magnesium

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**>170 kg many HPDC Mg parts DVPR certified/
installed on global vehicles over past 35 years**



**But the
average
NA
vehicle
contains
only 6 kg**

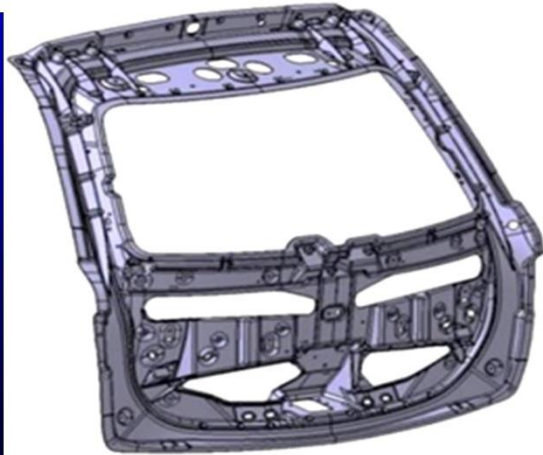
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**Lincoln MKT
liftgate
armature**

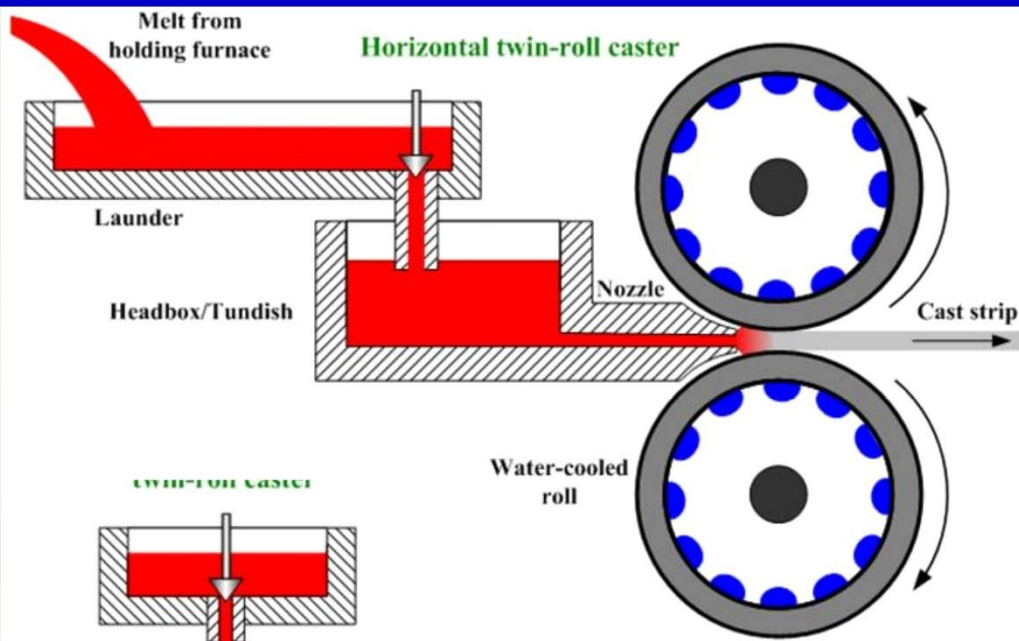
**Cast Mg has tooling
cost advantage over
stamped Al & steel at
low volumes.**

**Mg weighs 10kg vs
steel at 20kg**



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POSCO Next Gen Mg Technology



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Renault Samsung Motors and POSCO invested \$1.9 m to develop Mg sheet for a trunk and rear seat that weighed 1.4kg, saving 2.2kg vs the equivalent steel component... a 61 % MR.

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Porsche 911 Uses POSCO Mg Skin for Roof



**Vehicle weight reduced by 10 kg. 30 % lighter than Al
Light roof lowers CofG, improves stability.**

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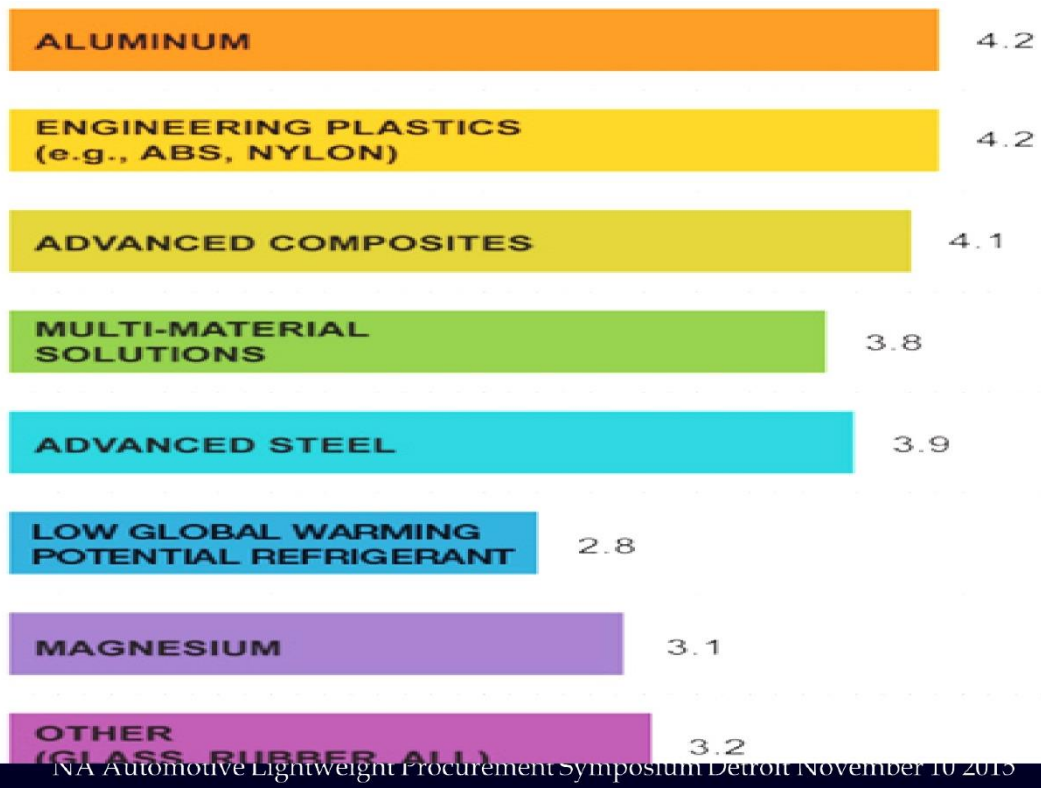
Multimaterial Construction

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SAE Survey

**Rank which materials will help
you reach
fuel economy standards**

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Ford Advanced Prototype Fusion

- 19-inch CFRP wheels, Δ 42%
- Composite coil springs, Δ 57%
- SS-coated Al rotors Δ 39 % vs CI
- CFRP seats
- Chemically toughened laminate windows, Δ 35%
- 40% MR engine block

BMW M3



CFRP strut brace, driveshaft, roof panel (-40% vs steel)

Al control arms, wheel hubs, subframes, hood, front panels

Engine: **Twin wire arc-coated** cylinder walls vs CI liner,

Mg Sump ...(-10 kg),

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Joining and Assembly of Hybrid Structures

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- **Assembling hybrid structures requires unique joining, bonding & corrosion-inhibiting techniquesrequiring novel structural adhesives**
- **But there are concerns.....**
 - **Crash modeling**
 - **Manufacturing models, SPC**

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- **Surface preparation (primers)**
- **Adhesion properties of epoxies, hot melts, phenolics, acrylics**
- **Chemical reactions**
- **Cure time affected by environment (RH, temperature),**
- **Joint mechanical durability affected by fatigue & corrosion**
- **no good FMEA failure models**

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Ford (+Magna) LightWeight Concept (Multi-material) Mixed Materials

D. Wagner, M. Zalucek (Ford)
J. Conklin, T. Skszelk (Magna Intl)

SAE 2015

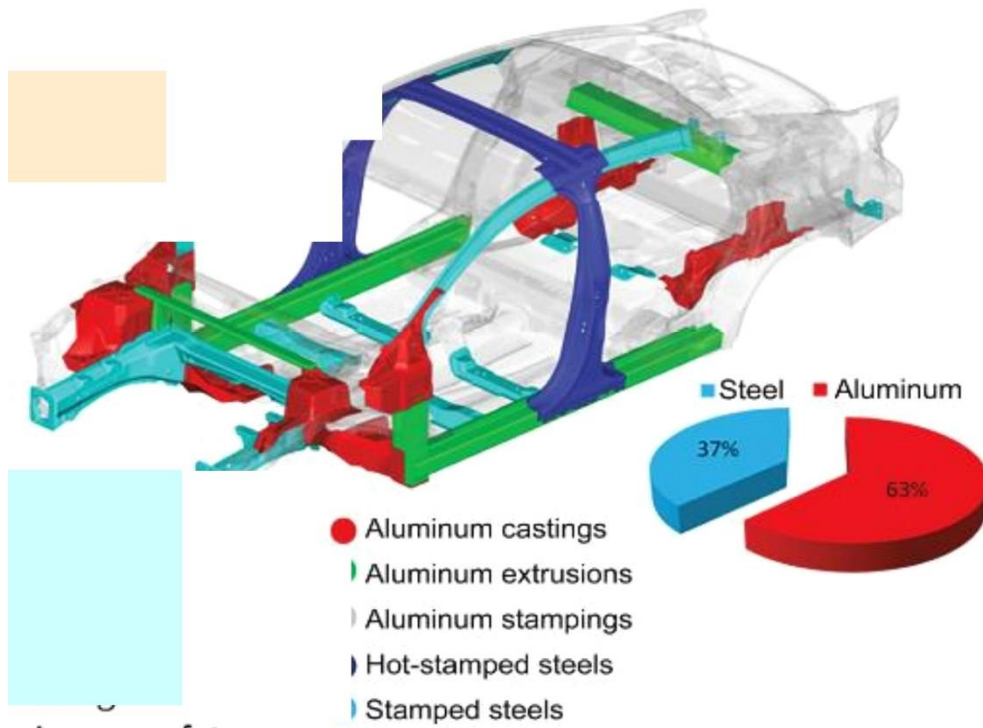
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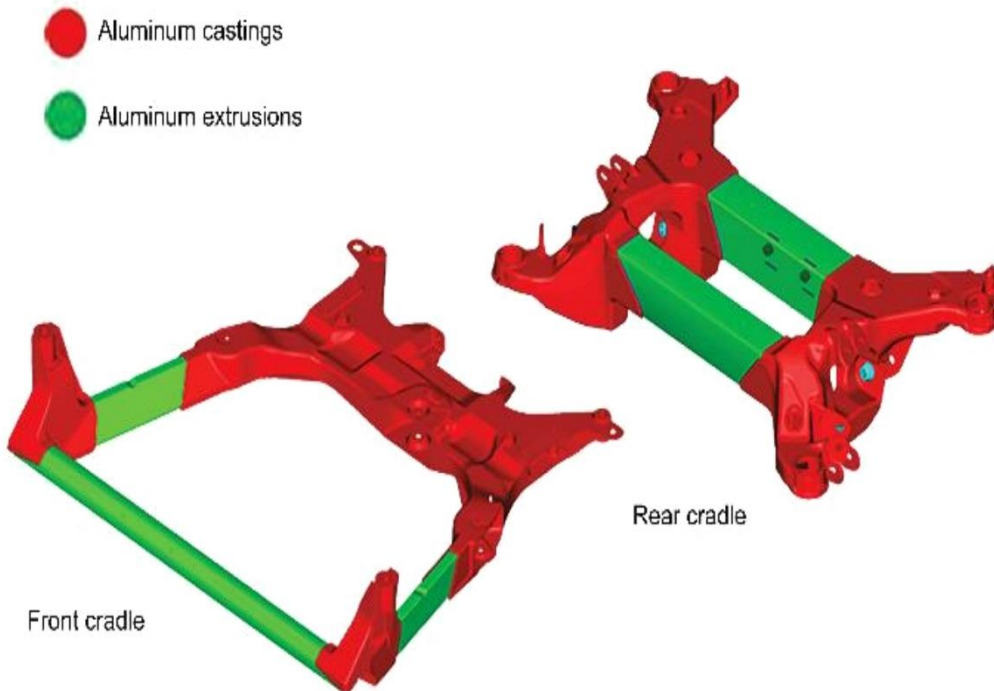


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Automotive Insight



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Weight Reduction of Vehicle Subsystem

Vehicle systems and subsystems	2013 Ford Fusion weight, kg	MMLV weight, kg	MMLV curb weight, %	MMLV weight reduction, kg	MMLV weight reduction, %
1. Body	525.0	400.4	33.5%	-124.6	-23.7%
2. Interior	260.4	202.7	17.0%	-57.7	-22.2%
3. Chassis	355.0	260.0	21.8%	-95.0	-26.8%
4. Powertrain	337.0	263.1	22.0%	-73.9	-21.9%
5. Electrical	57.0	49.5	4.1%	-7.5	-13.1%
A. Assembly	25.0	19.5	1.6%	-5.5	-22.0%
Total vehicle	1559.4	1195.2	100%	-364.2	-23.4%

Material 2013 Fusion MM LV

AHSS	418	67
Conventional	414	290
Cast Iron	50	20
DC Al	146	148
Stamped Al	13	144
Extruded Al	16	67
Forged Al	0	10
Magnesium	2	16
Plastic	235	177
TOTAL	1560	1195 kg

Governments are pushing emissions reduction and fuel economy

They fund lightweighting RTD as a way to achieve their goals

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NIST- New National Center for Automotive Lightweighting

Investigate how new vehicle materials hold up in collision, which is strongly influenced by material, part shape and stresses from body forming.

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**American Lightweight Materials
Manufacturing Innovation Institute**
LIFT

**\$70m DOD +
\$78m industrial match +
\$10m from Michigan +
\$10m from Ohio**

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- **Establish regional manufacturing ecosystem to move cutting edge light metals out of lab & into commercial/ military: cars, trucks, planes & ships.**
- **Help educate next generation manufacturing technical workforce.**

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MFERD

Magnesium Intensive Front End R&D Project

**(100 engineers and scientists from the 3
countries)**

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Goal

- **Demonstrate casting, extrusion, sheet & joining techniques of Mg in auto body structures.**
- **Predict & validate performance of Mg: crashworthiness, corrosion, fatigue & durability**
- **Part is 38 kg lighter than typical front-end steel structure.**

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Cost of Mass Reduction

“How much will OEM’s pay to meet CAFÉ requirements”.

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Mass Reduction Costs

- **Ducker report (2011):**
 - 10% MR costs \$500/vehicle
- **C.A.R. study (2013):**
 - 15 % MR costs \$1,160/vehicle
- **MIT study (2008) Cost of Δ 1% FE:**
 - \$130 **Diesel,**
 - \$110-220 **Hybrid PT,**
 - \$80-\$180 **Mass Reduction**
- **Ford (2015) \$3.18 per lb in suspension**

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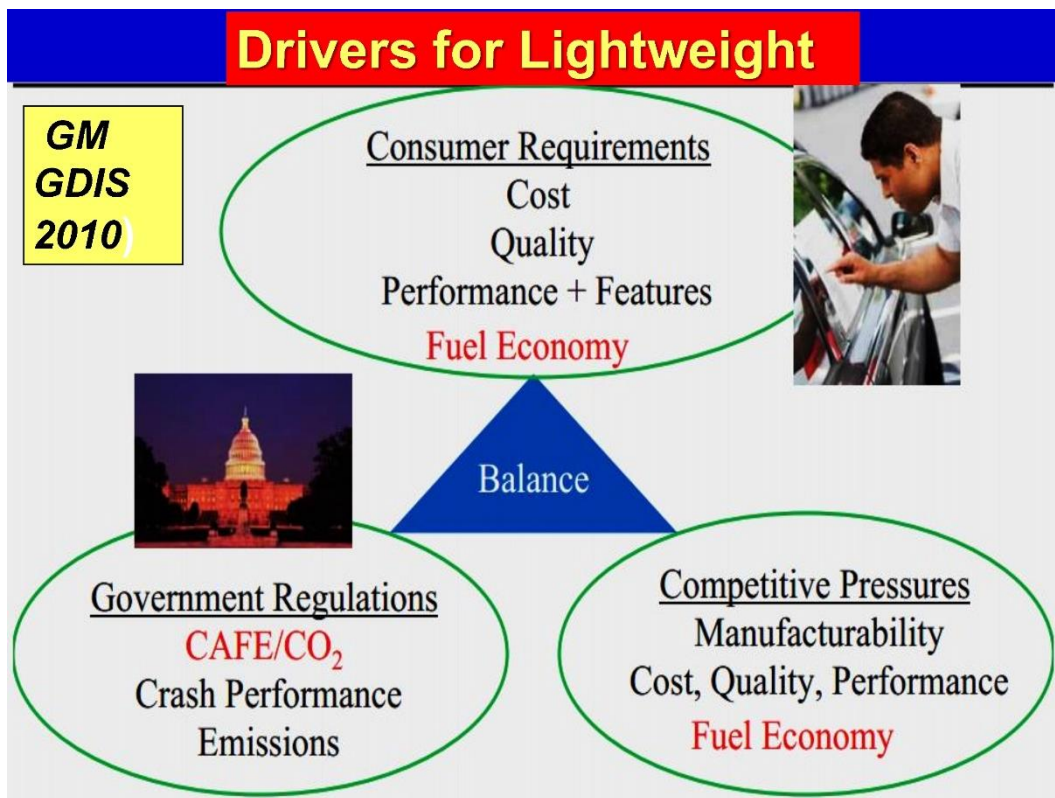
Summary

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Key Trends Driving Automotive Growth



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Material Challenges

(ASM 4/13/2015)

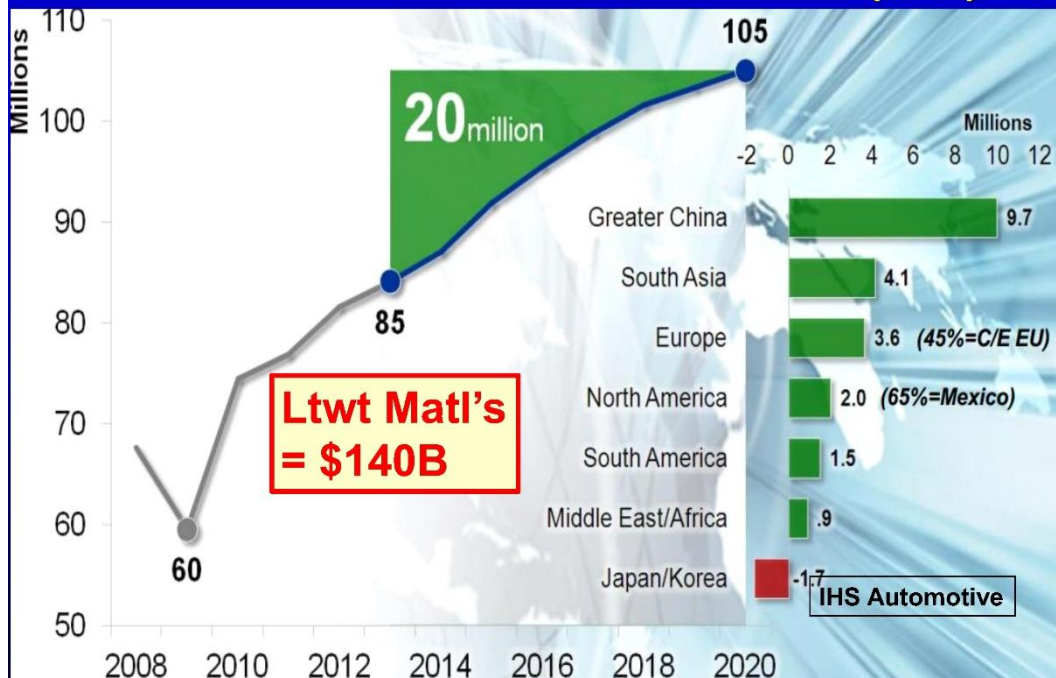
Automotive lightweighting
is the key to achieve the
challenging goals of
vehicle:

- **Weight reduction,**
- **Fuel efficiency and**
- **Performance improvement**

- **Weight reduction requires new materials to have a higher specific strength and stiffness.**
- **Multi material solutions are the key to successfully develop affordable safe & fuel efficient vehicles: robust & efficient joining technology is crucial**

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Global Automotive Market (\$2T)



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Q & A



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TITLE

EJOT Fastening Solutions Enable Lightweight Body-in-white Assembly

ABSTRACT

The 2015 all-aluminum Ford F150 marked a game changing milestone in US automobile design and assembly. Ford's pioneering efforts proved that lightweighting on a large scale could be a practical reality and ushered in a new day where lightweight body structures will be the norm. As with any pioneering innovation, though, other enabling technologies must come alongside. In this case, Ford's challenge was to find new fastening and joining technologies since the traditional methods of joining simply would not work. One of the key Ford engineers in the development of the new F150 even noted that, "we had to completely reinvent the way we put cars together."

One of the ways the new Ford F150 became a reality was with the enabling technology of the EJOT® FDS® Screw. The FDS® is a self-piercing, flow-drilling, thread forming screw which enables the connection of aluminum to aluminum and aluminum to mild steel. This screw is especially advantageous over other connection methods because it can fasten more than two sheets, into thick aluminum cross sections (such as castings and extruded elements), and without tool support from the back side (i.e. one-sided access.)

Additionally exciting, new this year is the release of the EJOT® EJOWELD® friction element welding system. This is the only technology of its kind that can fasten aluminum sheets to ultra-high strength steel sheets with rated strengths of up to 2000MPa. This unique friction welded element is currently enabling the joining of aluminum top sheets to reduced thickness ultra-high strength steel structural components. These connections open doors to high strength body-in-white structures at a fraction of the weight of traditional ones. This technology is currently employed by Audi and under consideration of many other OEMs. These are but two EJOT® fastening technologies enabling automotive body-in-white and assembly engineers to realize their lightweighting goals, solve challenging joining problems, and provide cost effective assembly.

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Fastening Technology Enabling Light weighting

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How do you choose joining technology for lightweight automotive body structures that:

- Overcome the engineering challenges?
- Provide efficient, scalable serial production assembly methods?
- Are cost effective?

"You don't get to change the way you build vehicles very often." Amanda Freis- Ford Mechanical Joining Research Engineer



2015 Aluminum Body Ford F150

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Who is EJOT

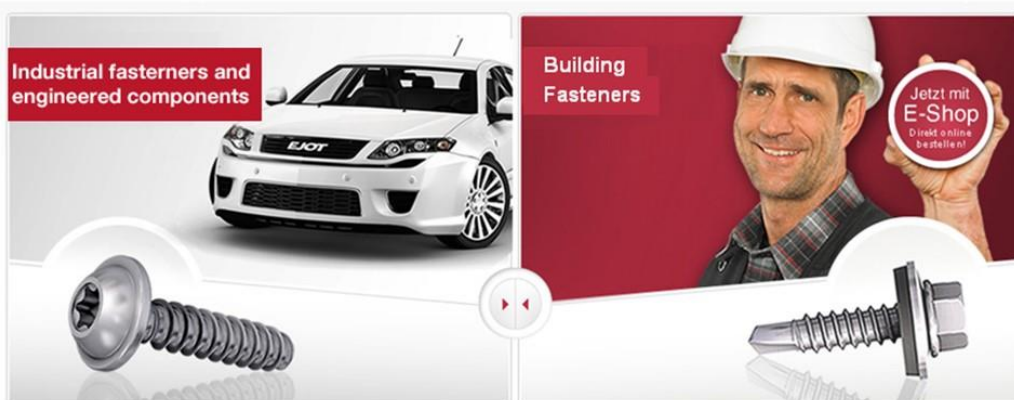


EJOT is:

- **91 Year Old Family Business**
- **Leading innovator of automotive and construction fastening technology**
- **Globally located, Headquartered in North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany**
- **Global Brand Names include:**
 - **FDS®**
 - **EJOWELD®**
 - **SHEETtracs®**
 - **Delta PT®**
 - **PT®**
 - **Altracs Plus®**



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Automotive and Industrial ~50%

Building Fasteners ~50%

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A history of product innovation

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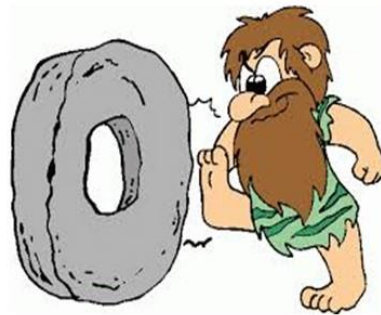
Traditional View on Costs- Missing the Big Box

- Our Traditional Purchasing systems:
 - Incentivize savings at the component level
 - Often miss the opportunities of getting the "substantial savings" of the Big Box
- Cost of a Fastened Joint
 - Components
 - Preparation (Ex. Holes or tapping)
 - Assembly (Time and system costs)
 - Inefficiencies (Downtime, scrap, rework)
 - Opportunity Cost (What is lost if you choose the wrong method?)
 - Working Capital
 - Administrative



Impact of New Technology

- New Technology Impacts:
 - Opportunity Costs
 - Makes possible a joint combination not previously feasible
 - May allow downsizing or reduction in the number of required joints
 - Provides better method of fastening a joint
 - Assembly
 - Better, faster, simpler
 - Changes/eliminates need for preparation
 - Changes the component costs





Traditional Body-in-White Joining Methods

- Welding
 - Resistance Spot Weld
 - Laser Welding
 - Shielded Arc Welding



- Brazing



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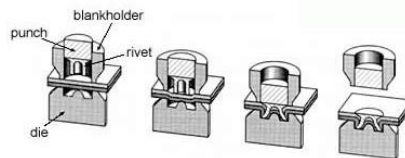
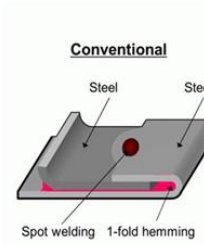
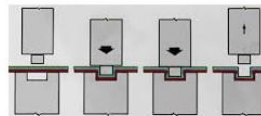


Traditional Body-in-White Joining Methods

- Adhesive Bonding



- Mechanical Fastening
 - Clinch Joining
 - Rivets
 - Screws
 - Hemming
 - Bolt and Nut



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Lightweighting Trends in Body-in-White

- Mixing Materials
 - Aluminum (Weight Savings)
 - Magnesium (Weight Savings)
 - Mild Steel (Strength)
 - Ultra-High Strength Steel (Weight savings and strength)



Challenges Joining with “New” Mixed Material Body-in-white Structures

- Challenges:
 - Mixed structures are difficult or impossible to weld
 - Adhesive bonding alone does not supply enough strength or needs to be fixed to allow time to cure in-place
 - Space, Location, or design does not allow access to both sides
 - Material is too strong to be feasible for joining method
 - Method that can be scaled to production volumes
 - Short assembly cycle time
 - Ability to pierce top sheet without the need for a pilot hole
 - Ability to address multiple sheet stack-ups
 - Galvanic corrosion risk of pairing dissimilar materials
 - Cost effectiveness



EJOT® Solutions

- FDS®
 - Aluminum to Aluminum
 - Aluminum to Mild Steel
- EJOWELD®
 - Aluminum to High-strength and Ultra-High Strength Steel



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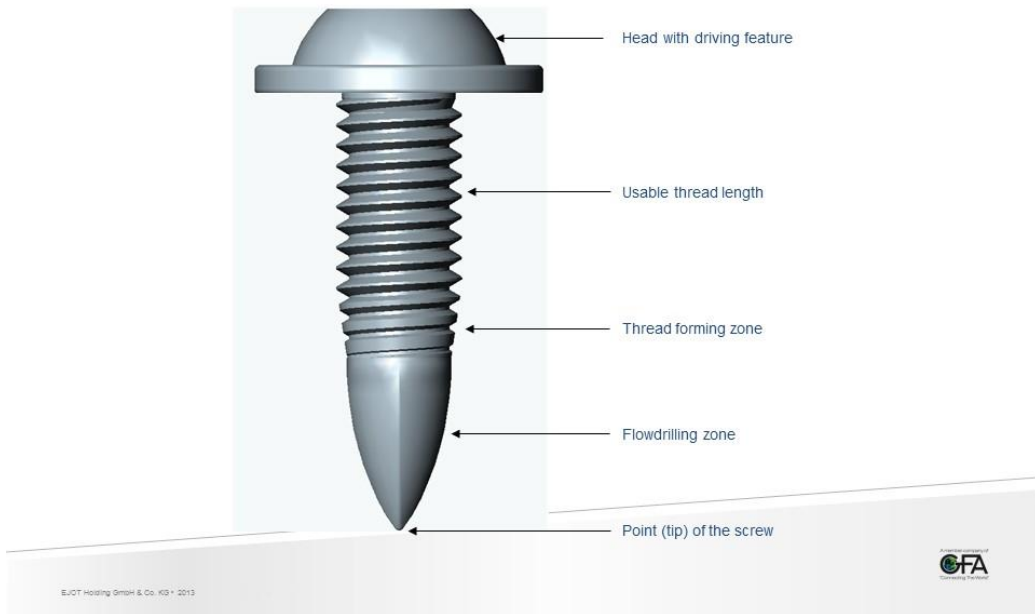


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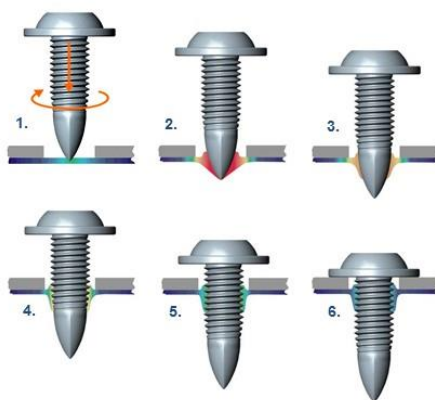


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Anatomy of the FDS[®] Screw



Stages of the FDS[®] Assembly (With Clearance Hole)

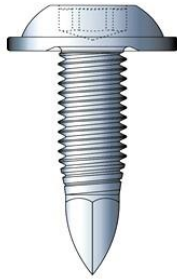


1. Warming up the sheet metal by axial end load and high speed
2. Penetration into the material
3. Forming of the extrusion
4. Chipless forming of a female machine thread
5. Installation
6. Tightening with the pre-set torque



Types of FDS® screws

Standard (sharp point)



- Fastening without clearance holes
- Material thickness limits:
 - Assembly by hand:
 - Steel plate 0.3 – 0.8 mm
 - Aluminum plate 0.3 - 1.2 mm
 - Magnesium plate 1.0 – 1.2 mm
 - Automatic assembly:
 - Steel plate 0.5 – 1.75 mm
 - Aluminum plate 0.8 – 3.5 mm
 - Magnesium plate 1.0 – 3.5 mm
- Eliminates problems with overlapping hole line-up
- Realizes an extrusion height of up to 3 times the initial sheet thickness

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Types of FDS® Screws

PKS (radius point)



dn= nominal screw diameter



- Pilot hole diameter about 0.6 x dn
- Material thickness limits:
 - Assembly by hand:
 - Steel plate 0.3 – 0.8 mm
 - Aluminum plate 0.3 – 1.2 mm
 - Magnesium plate 1.0 – 1.2 mm
 - Automatic assembly:
 - Steel plate 0.5 – 1.75 mm
 - Aluminum plate 0.8 – 2.0 mm
 - Magnesium plate 1.0 – 2.0 mm
- Realizes an extrusion height of about 2 times the initial sheet thickness

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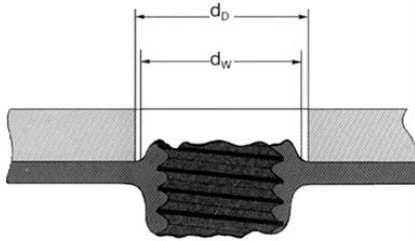
Types of FDS® Screws

BS (drill point)



- Fastening without clearance holes
- Material thickness limits:
 - Assembly by hand:
 - Steel plate 0.4 – 0.8 mm
 - Aluminum plate 0.4 – 1.2 mm
 - Magnesium plate 1.0 – 1.2 mm
 - Automatic assembly:
 - Steel plate 0.5 - 1,75 mm
 - Aluminum plate 0.8 – 2.0 mm
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- Realizes an extrusion height of about 2 times the initial sheet thickness

Flowdrilling Behavior



d_w → bulge diameter
 d_b → clearance hole

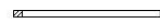
•By flowdrilling, a small portion of the formed part is flowing opposite to the fastening direction and creating a bulge that has to be accommodated by the upper part's clearance-hole or when piercing the top layer, an undercut in the fastener head.

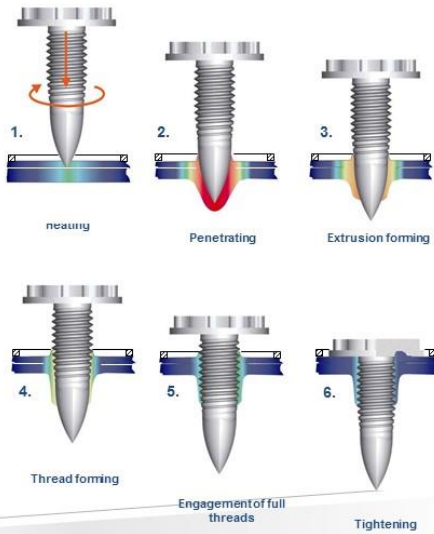
•When piercing the top layer it is important that the material combination is:

- „Thin“ on „Thick“
- „Weak“ on „Hard“



Process steps of FDS[®] Assembly Without a Clearance Hole, i.e. Piercing Top Sheet

 = Hold Down Clamp

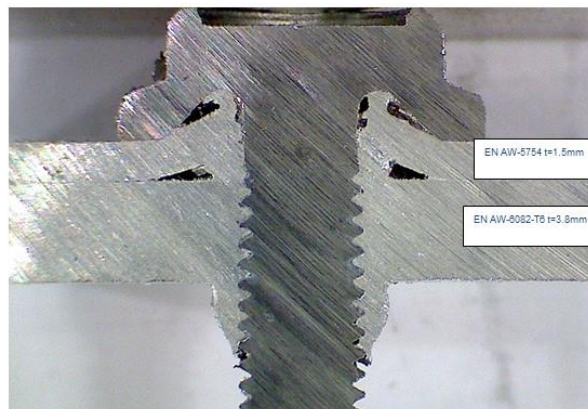


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FDS[®] 2 Sheet Aluminum to Aluminum Joint

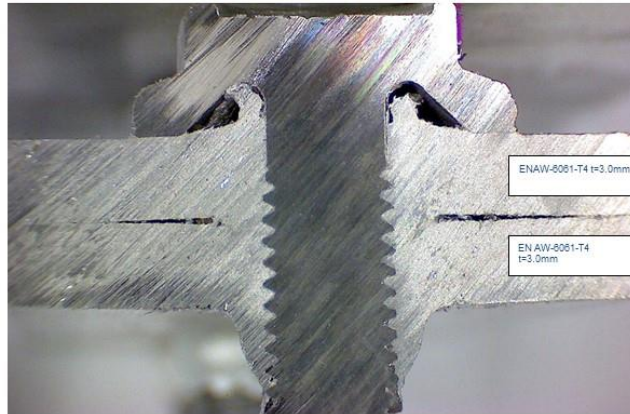


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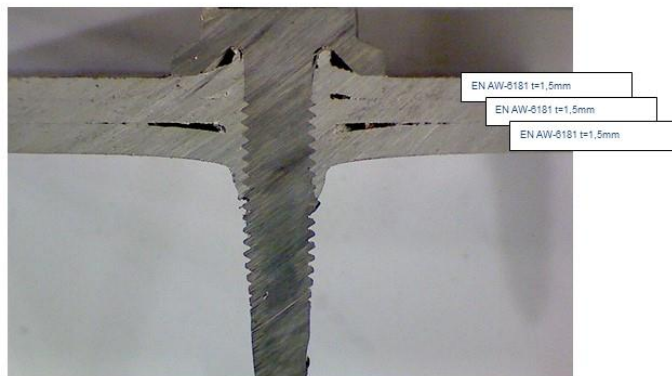
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FDS® 3 Sheet Aluminum to Aluminum Joint



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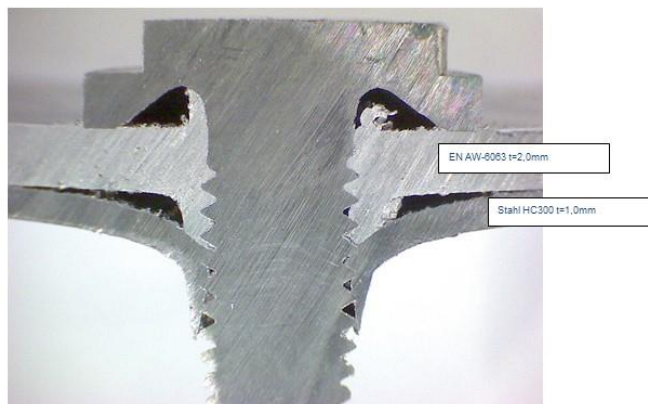
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FDS® 3 Sheet 2 Aluminum to Steel Joint



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System for Fully Automated FDS® Robot-Assembly



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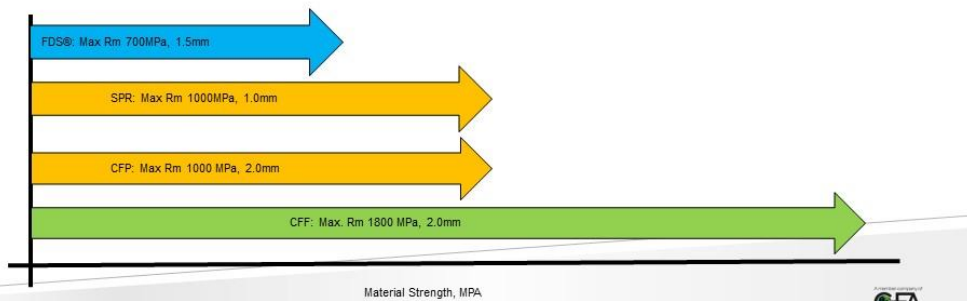
Sheet Strength Limits



No Clearance Hole
One Sided Access



No Clearance Hole
Two Sided Access



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Composite Friction Pin (CFP)

Top Plate Materials:

- Steel Plates Rm < 300 MPa
0.8 – 1.2 mm
- Aluminum (Diecast, Profiles, Sheets)
0.5 – 1.8 mm
- Synthetic (Composite) Material With
Clearance Hole



Lower Sheet Materials:

- Steel Plates Rm < 600 MPa
0.7 – 3.0mm
- High-strength Steel Plates Rm < 1000 MPa
0.7 – 2.0 mm

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CFP Automated Installation Head

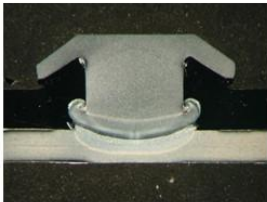


Fastening Element (CFP)

Features:

- Developed for one-sided access
- Robot application capable
- Total weight 80kg
- Slim configuration (max. width 120mm)
- Real time process control

Composite Friction Fastener (CFF)



Top Sheet Materials:

- Aluminum up to 3 mm
- Synthetic (Composite) Material With Clearance Hole

Lower Sheet Materials:

- High-strength and Ultra-High Strength Steel

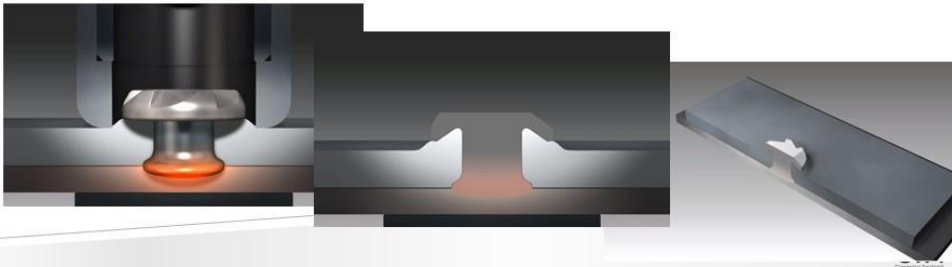
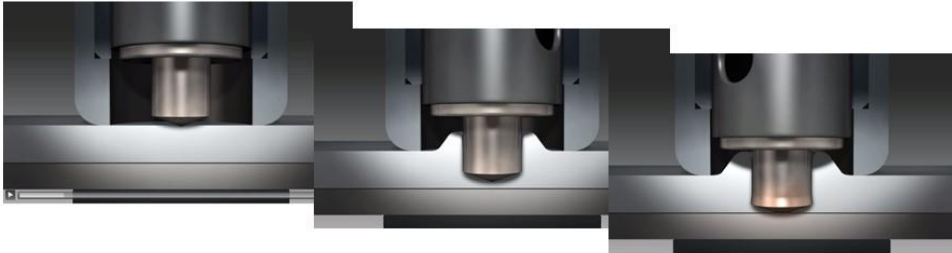
Features:

- Can be used in combination with adhesives
- No pilot hole required
- Steel on steel possible with clearance hole in top sheet





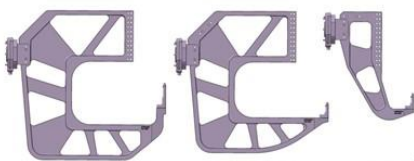
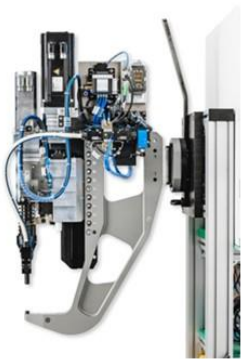
CFF Joining Process



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CFF Automated Installation Head



Sample C-Frame Variations



Fastening Element (CFF)

Features:

- Developed for two-sided access
- Robot application capable
- Total weight 100 to 150kg
- Slim configuration (max. width 120mm)
- Real time process control

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Wrap-up

- EJOT® FDS® and EJOWELD® provide enabling solutions for lightweighting body structures
- Provide joining solutions for bottom sheets that range from ~300MPa to ~2000MPa
- Within limits, provide one-sided access assembly options- opening the door to enabling attachment to aluminum extrusions and hydroformed members
- Production tested- already on multiple production platforms
- FDS capable of fastening together a variety of mixed joints, including aluminum, magnesium, and mild steel
- Can be used in combination with adhesives
- Cost effective

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TITLE

UACJ's Global Strategy And Approach To The Automotive Aluminum Market

ABSTRACT

Abstract:

- Outline of UACJ
- UACJ's global strategy
- Approach to Automotive Aluminum Market



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Introduction



Started on October 1st, 2013

Furukawa-Sky
Aluminum Corp.



Sumitomo Light Metal
Industries, Ltd

History



Furukawa-Sky Aluminum Corp.



Sumitomo Light Metal Industries, Ltd.



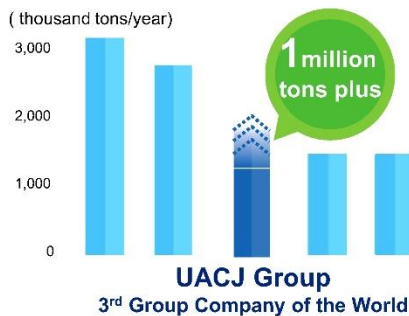
integrated business to form UACJ Corporation

Business Outline

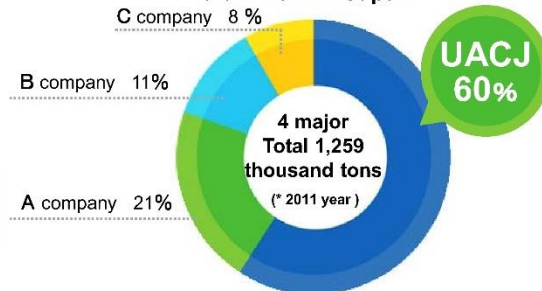


Establish	October 1, 2013
Capital	45 billion yen
Total Companies	77 (160 bases)
Employee	8,556
Consolidated Net Sales	572.5 billion yen (Fiscal 2015)

Production capacity of Flat rolled aluminum



Production ratio of wrought aluminum in Japan



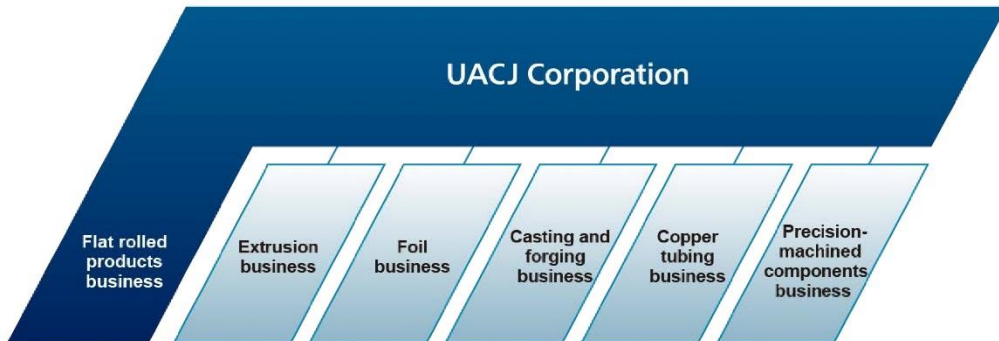
The Japanese Market Share Overwhelming Top!

※ Estimated on the basis of the data of Japan Aluminium Association

Business Fields



**Business areas of UACJ group
dealing with a wide range of fields**



The UACJ Group is structured along business unit lines.

UACJ Corporation provides oversight for each units and UACJ is also responsible for manufacturing and sales in our flat rolled products business.

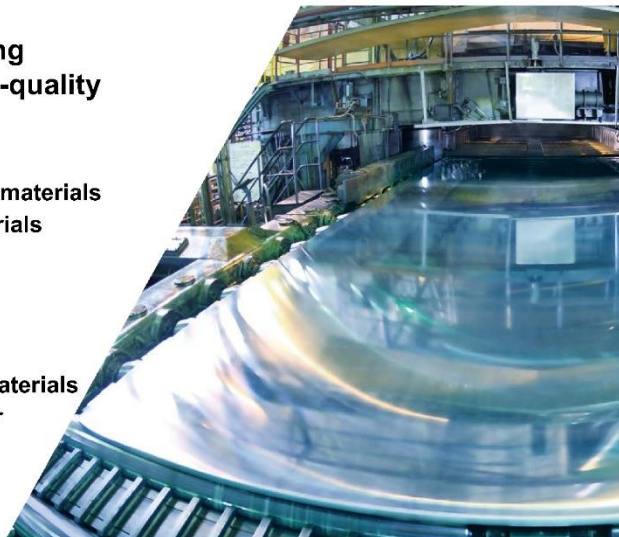
Business Fields

Flat Rolled Products Business



World-leading Manufacturing Capabilities to Deliver High-quality Flat Rolled Products

- Aluminum can stock and closure materials
- Automotive heat exchanger materials
- BiW (Body-in-White) panels
- LNG tank materials
- Aviation and aerospace materials
- IT materials
- Air-conditioner compressor fin materials
- Liquid crystal and semiconductor equipment thick plates
- Litho sheet materials
- Construction plates



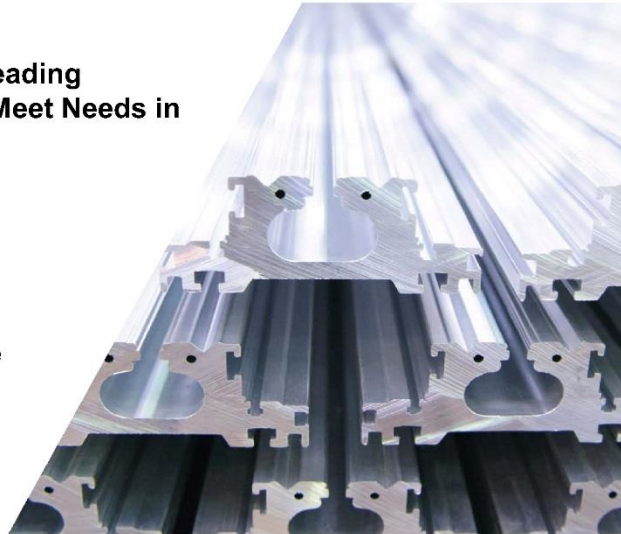
Business Fields

Extrusion Business



Comprehensive, Industry-leading Technological Prowess to Meet Needs in a Wide Variety of Fields

- Automobile heat exchanger and tube materials
- Motorcycle frame materials
- Photocopier photoconductive drum materials
- Machine parts materials



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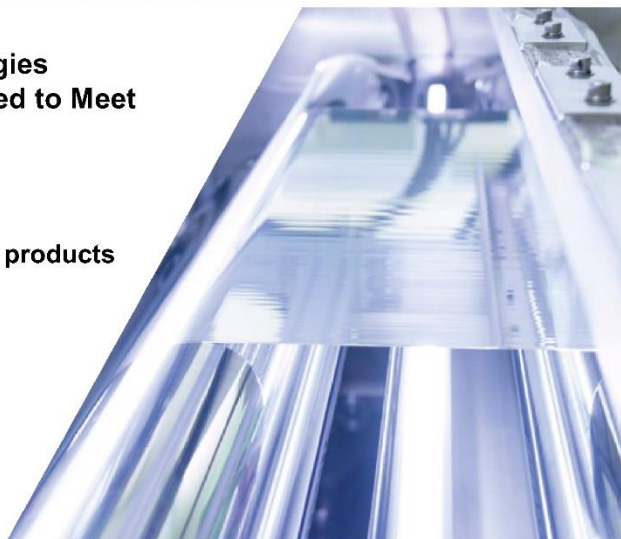
Business Fields

Foil Business



Unparalleled Foil Technologies to Supply Products Designed to Meet the Latest Needs

- Capacitor foil
- Medical industry and chemical products packaging foil
- Foodstuffs and packaging foil
- Lithium-ion battery current collector foil
- Construction foil
- Daily-use foil



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Business Fields

Casting and Forging Business



Delivering Highly Competitive Products Utilizing Advanced Technologies and Production Network

- Turbocharger compressor wheels
- Forged products for aviation and aerospace materials
- Forged products for railcars
- Forged products for liquid-crystal production facilities



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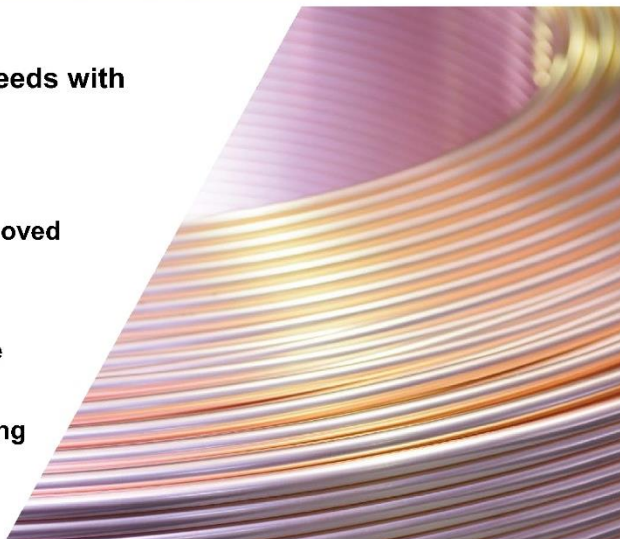
Business Fields

Copper Tubing Business



Meeting a Wide Range of Needs with the Superior Materials Characteristics of Copper

- Air-conditioner internally grooved copper tubing
- Hot-water heater pipe
- Construction/refrigerant pipe
- Heat exchanger tubing
- Copper alloy condenser tubing
- Titanium condenser tubing



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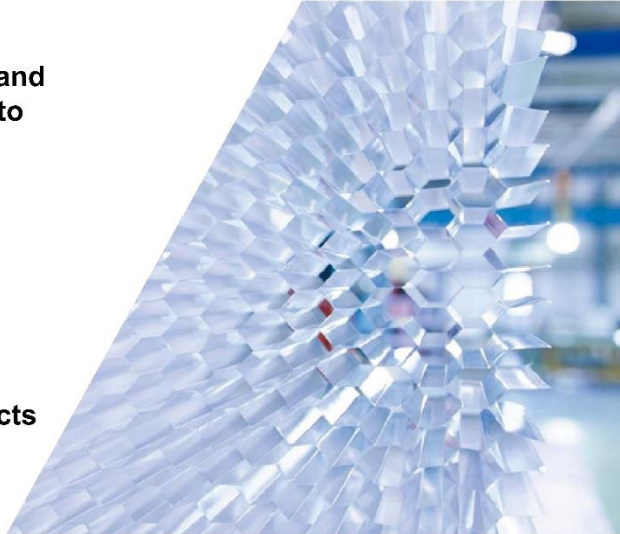
Business Fields

Precision-machined Components Business



A Vast Array of Equipment and Technologies in Response to Various Processing Needs

- Structural products
- Welded products
- Heat dissipation /cooling products
- Functional material products



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Research & Development



Applying Advanced Aluminum Expertise to Create New Innovations

UACJ is continuously developing next-generation products and technologies as we explore the potential of aluminum and create new value in metals. These R&D initiatives are spearheaded by the UACJ Technical Research and Development Center.



Fukaya Center



Nagoya Center

Pursuing New Possibilities for Aluminum

Technology Development Headquarters for the UACJ Group

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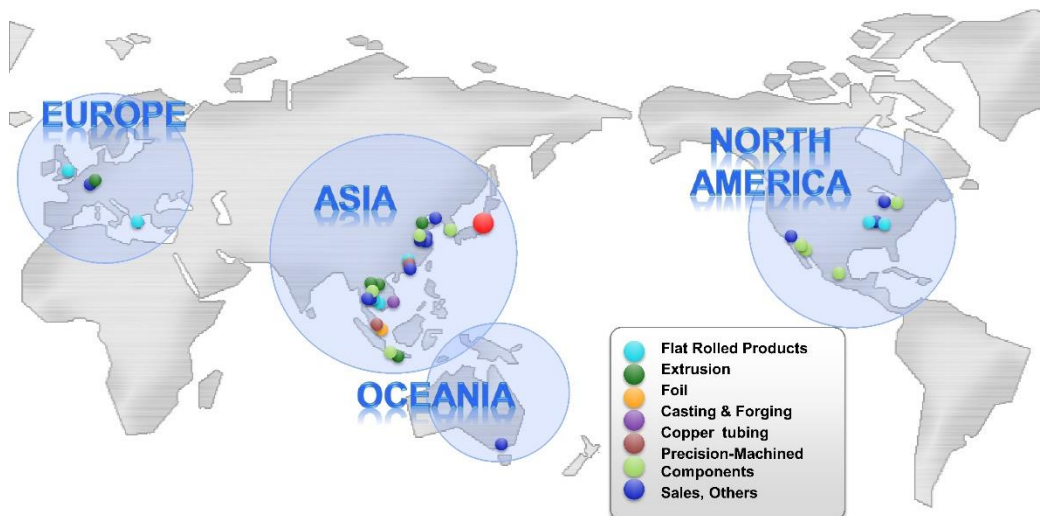
2. Global Network

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Global Network of UACJ group

Global Supply Network to Deliver Products to Regions Worldwide



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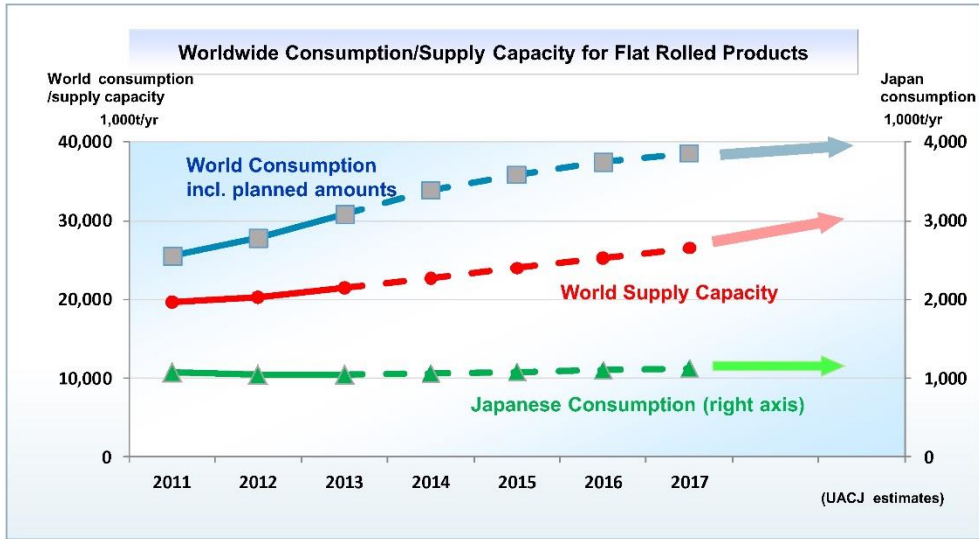
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World wide Supply and Demand for Flat Rolled Products



World demand for flat rolled products is expected to grow steadily



Demand for Flat Rolled Products in Growth Regions and Fields



Growth Regions

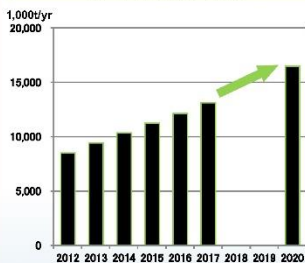
Demand is increasing in all fields, such as can and foil stock, with the remarkable economic growth in Asia and the Middle East.

Growth Regions

Demand is growing in transportation fields such as the automotive industry and aerospace, especially in Europe and America, due to the need to reduce weight and other factors.

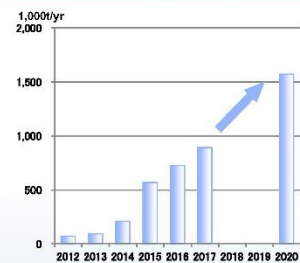
Growth Regions

Total Demand in Asia/Middle East

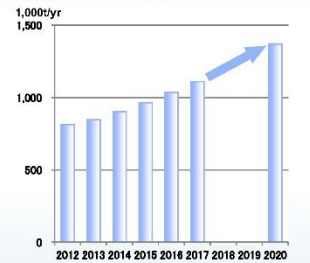


Growth Fields

Demand for BiW in North America



Demand in European Transportation Sector



(UACJ estimates)

Optimize Global Supply Network



Region Main products	Japan	North America	Europe	China/ South Korea	Southeast Asia	India	Middle East/ Africa
Can Stock	Fukui	TAA	-	Fukui	UATH	UATH	UATH
				UATH			
Automotive heat exchanger materials	Nagoya (Nikko)	UATH	AFSEL	Ruyuan	UATH	UATH	UATH
		AFSEL		UATH			
BiW	Nagoya (Fukaya)	Joint venture with Constellium	Under investigation				
Litho sheet	Nagoya	BAL	BAL	Nagoya	Nagoya	BAL	BAL
Thick plate (LNG tanker etc.)	Fukui Fukaya	-	-	Fukui Fukaya	Fukaya	-	-
				UPIA			

TAA: Tri-Arrows Aluminum Inc. (USA),

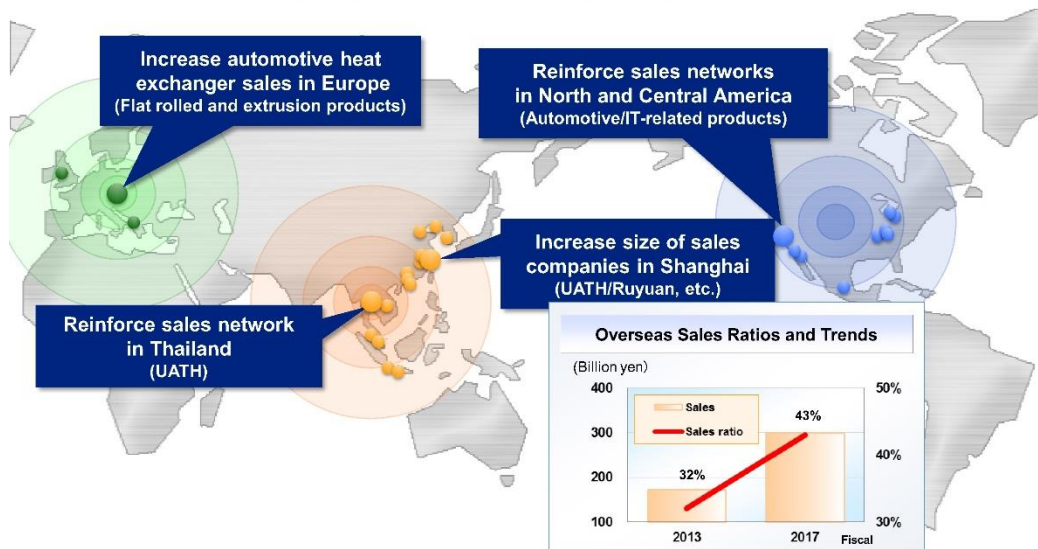
AFSEL: AFSEL S.A. (Joint venture with ELVAL, Greece) BAL: Bridgnorth Aluminum Inc. (UK)

Ruyuan: Ruyuan Dong Yang Guang Fine Foil Co., Ltd., (China)

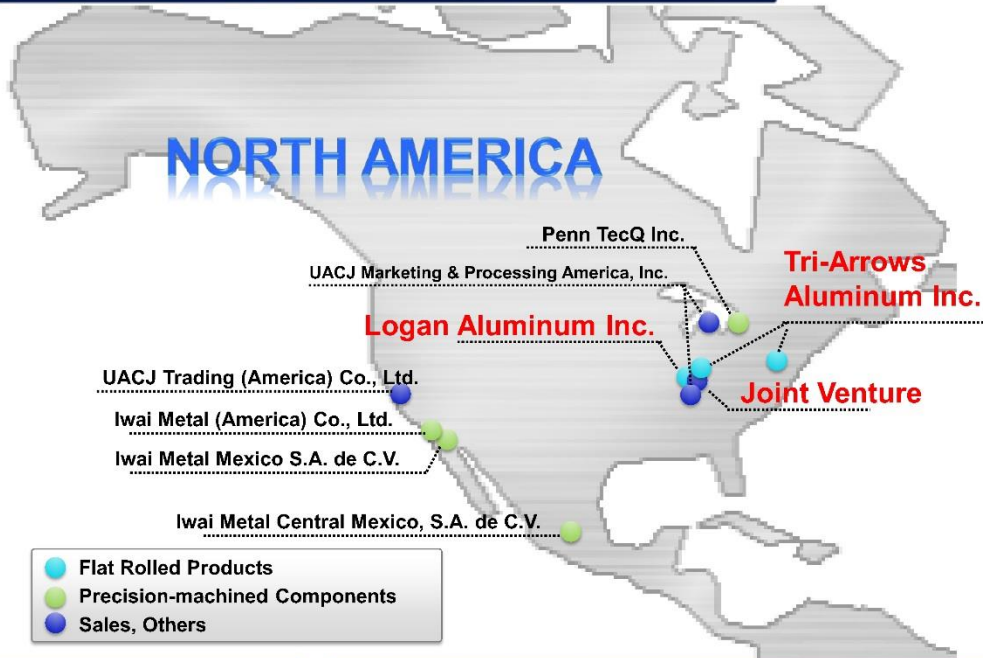
Strengthening the Global Sales Network



Enhance marketing capabilities utilizing the global network



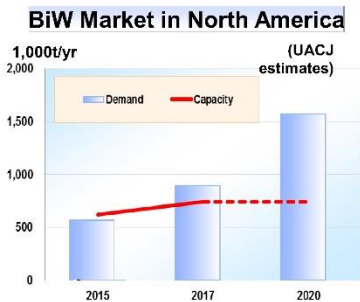
Global Network: North America



North American BiW Business



Joint venture with Constellium N.V.



Provide high-quality products by combining the technologies of UACJ and Constellium N.V.

Invest in plant and equipment and prepare supply network

- Shorten period for first phase of investment
- ➔ Establish 100,000 t/yr capacity from 2016

Realize fully-integrated manufacturing in North America

- New UACJ-Constellium CALP plant in Bowling Green, KY
- Procure cold-rolled coil mainly from TAA/Logan mill

North American BiW Business (joint venture with Constellium N.V.)



New UACJ-Constellium plant in Bowling Green, KY



Continuous Annealing Line with Pre-Treatment



UACJ (Thailand) Co., Ltd. Rayong Works



Establish fully-integrated manufacturing network

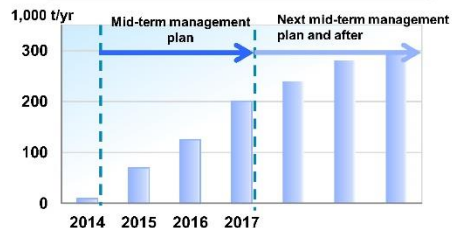
Differentiate by improving competitiveness

Function as first-class aluminum works in Asia

Outlook for Demand in Southeast Asia and Other Nearby Regions (excl. China, S. Korea and Japan)



UATH Production Volume





Bird's-eye View of the Rayong Works



Mass Production



Melting Furnace



Production of Slabs



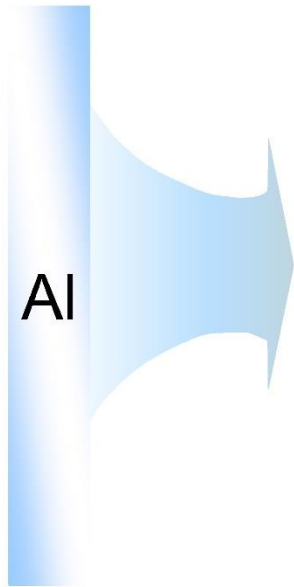
Hot Rolling Mill



Four-stand Finishing Mill

3. Approach to the automotive Aluminum Market

Automotive Lightweight & High-performance



BIW/Structure

Heat Exchanger

EV/HEV/Diesel

Engineering, R&D

- Automotive body panels
- Superplastic aluminum alloy (ALNOVI)
- Aluminum alloy extruded shapes
- Joining Technology, FSW, FSSW
- Tailored blanking
- Clad material (Heat exchanger for automotive)
- Heat-sink
- Aluminum cast product
- LiB module for automotive
- Foil for LiB
- SMART sheet
- CAE Technology

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Aluminum alloys for automotive body panels



Point of material design

Controlling tems:

- 1) Chemical composition
- 2) Microstructure
 - Intermetallic compound
 - Grain structure
 - Precipitation and solid solution
 - Crystal orientation

Through the production process

High-quality surface properties

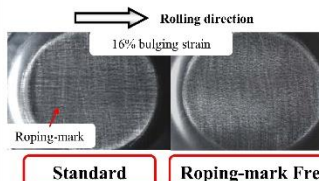
5xxx series alloy

★ High SS-mark resistance ★

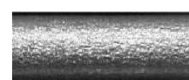
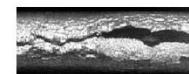
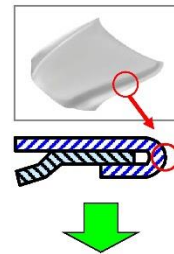


6xxx series alloy

★ High Roping-mark resistance ★



Good bendability

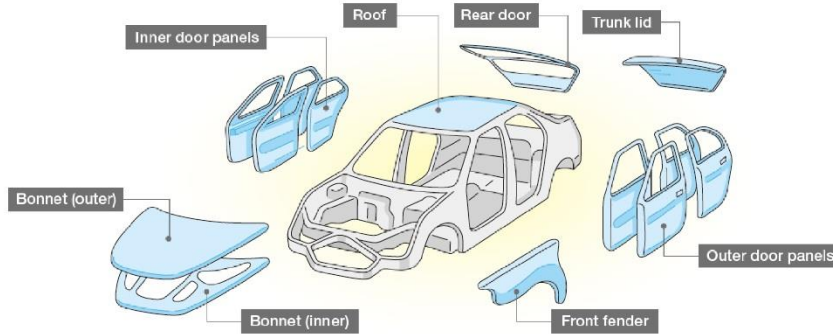


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Aluminum alloys for automotive body panels



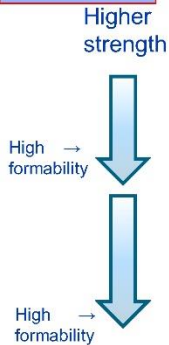
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Aluminum alloys for automotive body panels



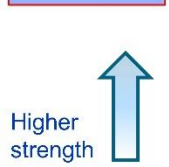
6000 series



Mechanical properties Types and mechanical properties (Sheet thickness: 1mm)

Material properties	AA ^{*1}	Tensile strength (N/mm ²)	Proof stress (N/mm ²)	Stretch (%)	Proof stress (after baking) ^{*2} (N/mm ²)
SG112-T4	(6016)	230	120	27	195
SG212-T4	(6016)	240	130	28	205
SG212-T4 High formability type	(6016)	245	135	30	170
SG312-T4	(6111)	245	120	30	200
TM30-T4	(6005)	210	110	27	200
TM66-T4	(6111)	240	115	29	210
TM67-T4	(6111)	255	120	29	215
TM67-T4 High formability type	(6111)	285	145	29	175

5000 series



Mechanical properties Types and mechanical properties (Sheet thickness: 1mm)

Material properties	AA ^{*1}	Tensile strength (N/mm ²)	Proof stress (N/mm ²)	Stretch(%)	n value ^{*2}
GC45-O	5022	280	140	32	0.31
GC55-O	5023	285	130	34	0.35
GM145-O	5182	270	120	28	0.33
52S-O	5052	205	105	28	0.26

*1 AA: The Aluminum Association (U.S.A.)

*2 Average value from 2% to the maximum load

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Superplastic forming Material



Superplastic 5000 Series Aluminum Alloy "ALNOVI"

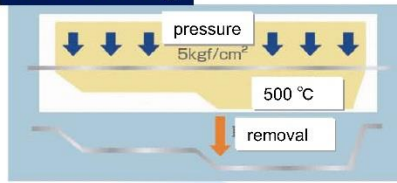
Superplastic deformation



Aluminum alloys with fine grains show high elongation, 300%- at high temperature, 400~500°C

Manufacturing technology

Blow forming



Superplastic blow forming and ALNOVI enable flexible forming as if plastic.

Products

Automotive



Aircraft



Miniature model



Aluminum alloy extruded shapes, tubes



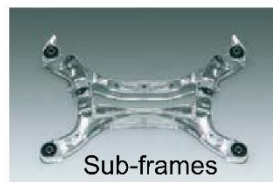
Material development

- **ZK80**: Alloy with strength and fracture toughness further enhanced than the 7204
- Creating and Optimum **cross-sectional configuration**
- **254S(A5154)**: non-heat-treatable **5000 series** alloy
- Aluminum materials can be applied to structural and rotational axis materials.

Manufacturing technology



Bumper



Sub-frames



Products

Mazda MX-5
Front Bumper system
Δweight = -2.4 Kg

Higher strength 7000 series Extrusion



Material development

Ordinary extruded shapes

UACJ High strength 7000series

6061-T6	ZK170-T5	ZG62-T76
TS : 315MPa	TS : 440MPa 40%up	TS : 600MPa 90%up
YS : 275MPa	YS : 400MPa	YS : 560MPa
EL : 17%	E : 14%	E : 12%

Products

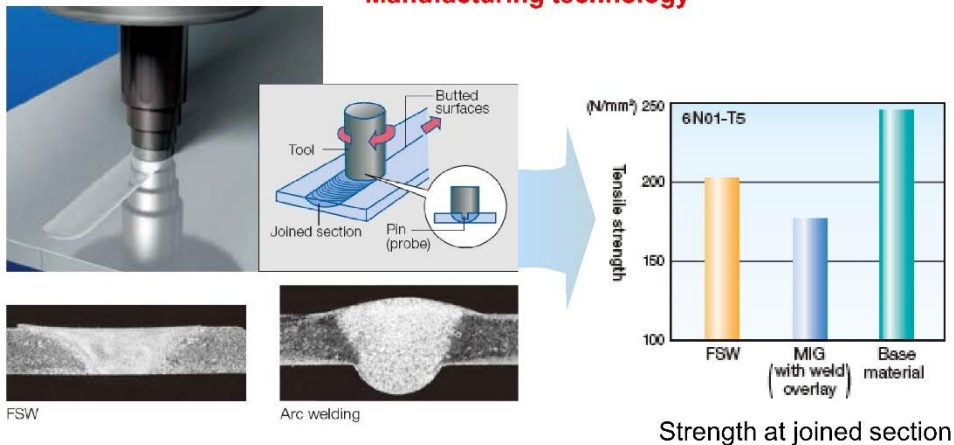


ZG62(A7050) : The world's top share as the front fork outer material for motorbikes

FSW (Friction Stir Welding)



Manufacturing technology



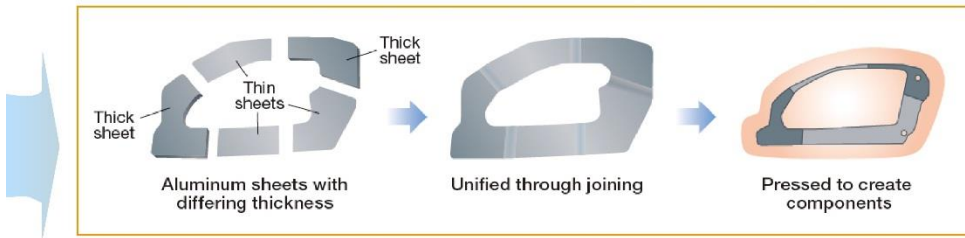
- The strength reduction at the thermally affected area is very small.
- High joint strength
- As strain is small, Residual stress can be suppressed.

Tailored blanking



Manufacturing technology

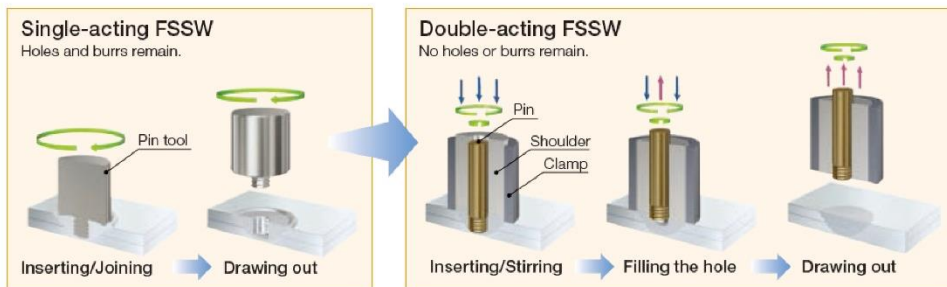
The thickness of materials can be arranged in an optimal manner, which effectively reduces the weight of parts.



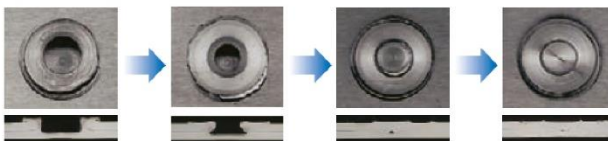
FSSW (Friction Stir Spot Welding)



Manufacturing technology



Double-acting FSSW process



less energy than resistance spot welding
Improves the work environment: no sputtering

Aluminum materials for automotive heat exchanger



Material development

Durability (Strength)

Core Alloy Design
Use of Age-hardening

Corrosion resistance

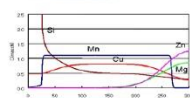
Sacrificial and Core Alloy Design
Coating Material Development
Corrosion Life Prediction

Brazeability

Filler and Core Alloy Design
Metallic Structure Control
Flux Free Brazing

Use of Simulation

Elemental Diffusion

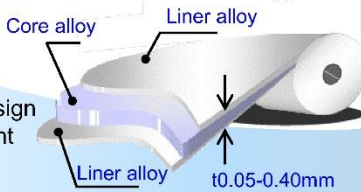


Elemental Distribution during Filler Solidification

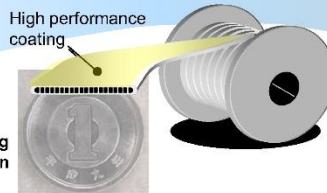


Manufacturing technology

Cladding technology



Extrusion and Coating technology



Products



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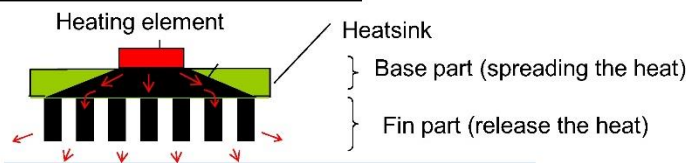
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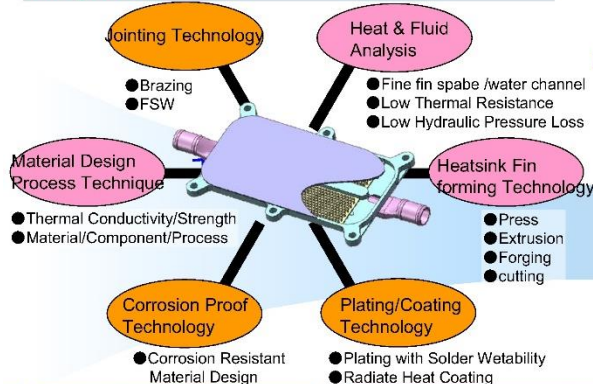
Heat sink



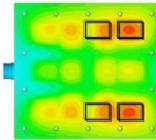
Heatsink for electronic device



Thermal conductivity (material) & construction design : CAE



Surface temp. distribution(CAE)



Products

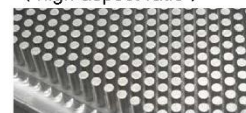
- ⊙ Automobile (EV, HEV, FCV)
- ⊙ Railway car
- ⊙ Industrial machine controller



Corrugate (off-set type)



Multi-hole extrusion (high aspect ratio)



Forged pin fin

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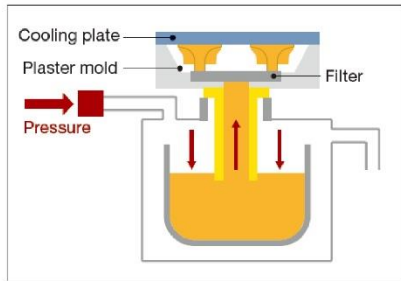
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Aluminum cast products



Manufacturing technology

Low-pressure casting



The molten aluminum is cast into the mold by applying low-pressure gas. Aluminum castings with excellent strength, durability and dimension accuracy are produced.

Products

Compressor wheels for automobile Turbocharger



Over 10million pieces/year
No.1 Share in the World

LiB module for automotive



Blow-off pipe
(Corrosion resistance:
clad pipe)

Series contact parts
(Electric conductivity:
Al busbar)

Cell
(High heat dissipation :
Al busbar)

Battery container
(Electric conductivity,
Laser welding)

Battery cell cooler (water cooling) :
(High heat dissipation:heatsink)

Battery protection cover
(Corrosion resistance:
pre-coat Al)

Battery computer cover
(Corrosion resistance:
pre-coat Al)

Battery board cooler
(air cooling)
(High heat dissipation:
heatsink)

Print circuit board
(High reliability,
KO treated material)

Pipe for coolant water
(Corrosion resistance:
pipe)

Al foil for polymer exterior
Al foil for lead tab
Al foil for electrode collector
Carbon coated Al foil
Cu foil for electrode collector

Foil

Foil for LiB



Material development

- Strength
- Electric conductivity
- Formability

Product design

- Electrode Collector
- Surface profile better for active materials
 - Better adhesion properties
 - Lower internal resistance

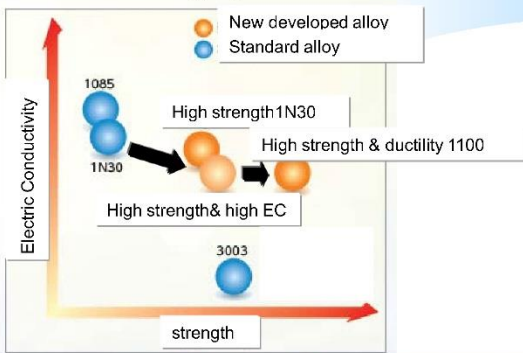
Products

Electrolytic capacitor



High strength Al foil

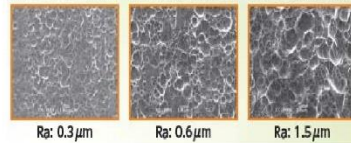
Realize the downgaugeness of foil



LiB
Electric double-layer capacitor

Al foil with advanced surface profile

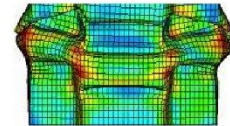
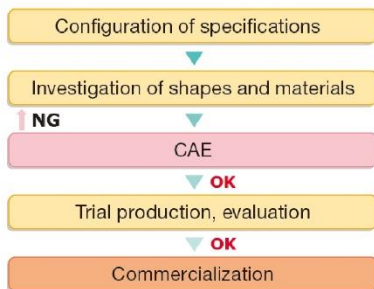
ASP (Advanced Surface Profile)



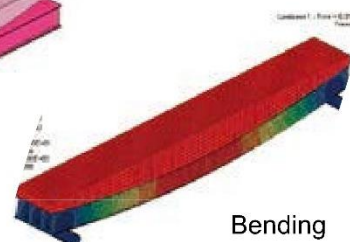
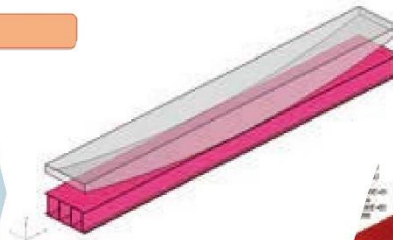
CAE Computer-Assisted Engineering



Development procedures



Compression test on energy-absorbing components



Bending

By using various CAE simulations, the number of trial productions and evaluation tests can be reduced.

SMART sheet

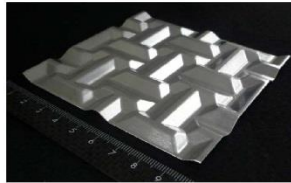
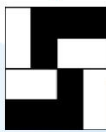


Super Multipurpose Aluminum Reinforced and Textured SHEET

Design concept

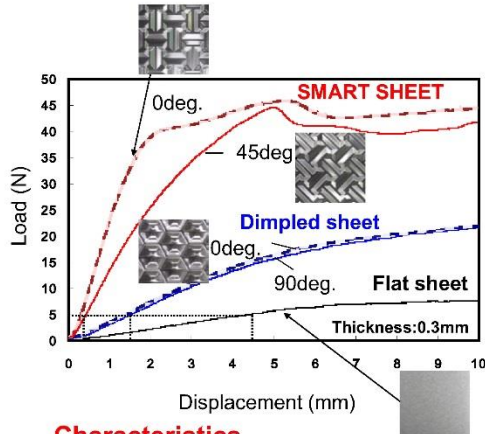
-  : Convex
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Fundamental region



Creation of the unit pattern

Having high second moment of area at any arbitrary cross sections of the unit pattern



Characteristics

- Isotropic high bending stiffness
- High energy absorption performance

Summary



1. Outline

UACJ corporation was started on October 1st 2013. The annual capacity for flat rolled products exceeded 1 million tons, making them the largest such manufacturer in Japan and the third largest in the world.

2. Global Network

UACJ focuses in all fields such as can and foil stock in Asia and the Middle East, and transportation fields such as the automotive industry and aerospace, especially in Europe and America. UACJ has an extensive global network system to supply products worldwide.

3. Approach to the Automotive Aluminum Market

Automotive weight reduction technology is indispensable for improving efficiency. UACJ is actively involved in R&D of aluminum material as well as the technological development required for promoting their utilization.

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ABSTRACT

Aluminum sourcing emerged in response to the highly recognized CAFE requirements. OEMs and suppliers increasingly turn to lightweight materials to meet 2025 standards. According to analysts, the amount of aluminum sourced is expected to more than triple today's levels. Key players recognize new risks are emerging and additional investment is required to prepare for the bright future that lies ahead. Aluminum Blanking Company is pleased to provide its perspective of how far the industry has evolved as one of the first pioneers of aluminum processing in North America and share some of the challenges presented over the years.

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- Post War Automotive Boom in North America; Steel is King
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Beginnings



- The Historical Influence on Motor City Direction and ABCo's Opportunity:
 - The Energy Crisis; America's Crisis of Conscience



New Direction

- North America adjusts course – CAFE and competition drive innovation and alternatives



3. Corporate Average Fuel Economy (1975); Gerald Ford.
President Ford signed into law the Energy Policy and Conservation Act in 1975.

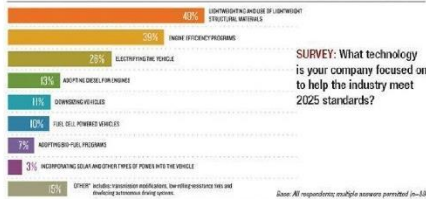


- Aluminum shows promise
- Paving the path to ABCo

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LIGHTWEIGHTING LEADS FUEL EFFICIENCY TECHNOLOGIES



SURVEY: What technology is your company focused on to help the industry meet 2025 standards?

Source: 2014 WardAuto, 2014 Automotive Trends Board's Study, conducted by PricewaterhouseCoopers. All respondents multiple answers permitted (n=130)

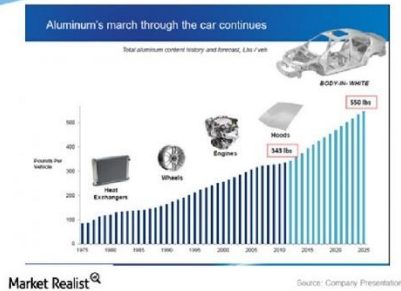
- One Directive
- Many Initiatives Suit Multiple Objectives



- ABCO is Founded
- Aluminum Gains Notice in the Auto Industry; A Compelling Option but not Yet a Priority

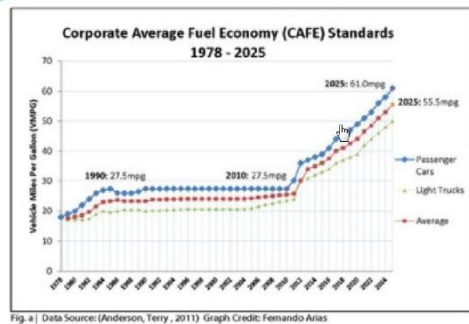
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Automotive Aluminum “Niche”



- Modest fuel economy through rest of 80s and 90s
 - Aluminum usage in automotive reflects this; still the “new kid on the block”
 - Steel and lack of familiarity are the competition and challenges

Becoming a Critical Path

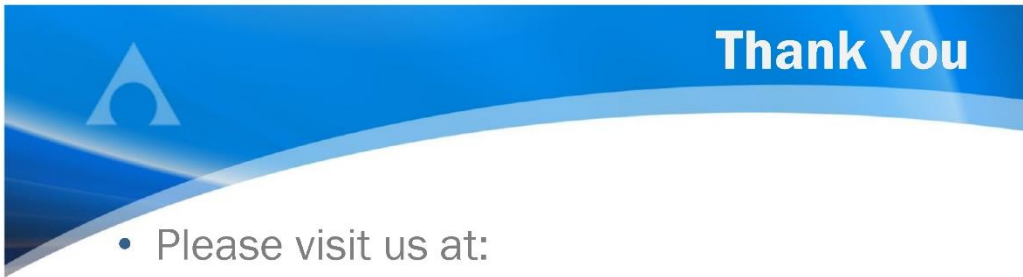


- The Clean Air Act - Aluminum Becomes the Direction

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- Preparing the North American Supply Chain
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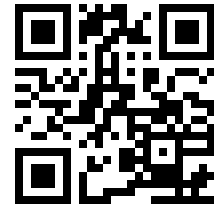
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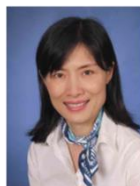
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