# Innovative Steels for Automotive Components

A new approach for the oncoming challenges

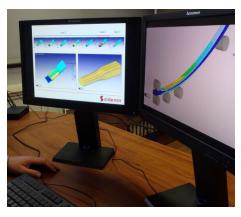


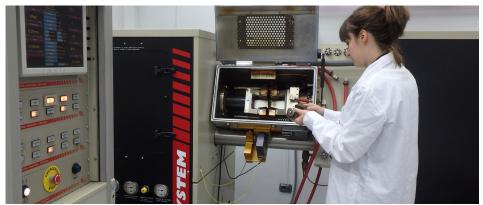


#### **R&D Strategy**

- Synergy between Special Steel plants
- Optimize resources in the development of new products
- Match the product portfolio and the R&D strategy with Technical Service and Marketing, seeking greater assertiveness and focus on the market
- Share the knowledge acquired through innovation whit the plants
- Strong relationship with universities
- Develop innovative and alternative products







#### Main Knowledge Areas

IMPROVEMENT OF FATIGUE LIFETIME OF SPECIAL STEELS

FEM SIMULATION



DEVELOPMENT OF HIGHER PERFORMANCE STEELS

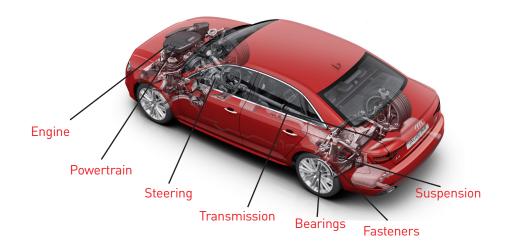
COST OPTIMIZATION AT THE VALUE CHAIN

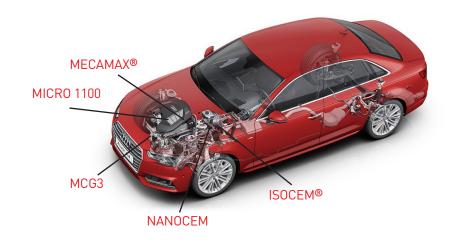
CHARACTERIZATION
OF SECOND PHASE PARTICLES

# How can SIDENOR create Value to our stakeholders?

- Customers' Partnership
- Promoting alliances to integrate steelprocess-product know-how and to increase the value in the whole supply chain
- Developing ad-hoc tailored steels for specific applications

- Adapting steels and manufacturing routes to optimize properties and profits
- Forming "innovative teams" to provide solutions to automotive end-users (OEM's and TIER1)





#### MECAMAX® MB

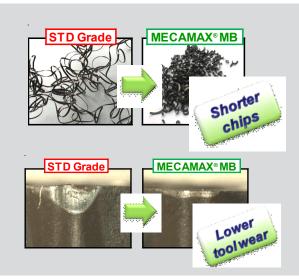
MECAMAX® MB was developed by SIDENOR to reduce machining costs (20-50%) by Bismuth addition, a non toxic element.

Recommended for high performance automotive applications: no influence in mechanical properties and process.



#### Benefits of Bi alloyed steels:

- Self-lubricating
- Promote chip fragmentation
- Reduce cutting forces and temperatures
- Reduce adhesive tool wear

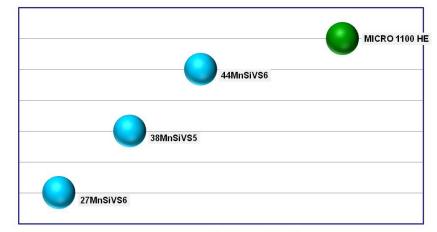


### M1100: Forged Common Rail Parts & Crankshafts

M1100 offers High tensile strength (→1000MPa) with excellent fatigue performance and homogeneous ferrite-pearlite microstructure and good machinability for Automotive applications

#### **Microalloyed Steels**

⇒ Strength

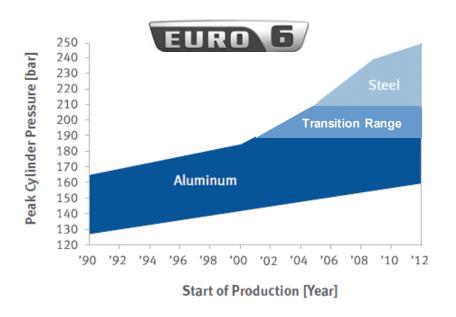






# MCG3: Forged Pistons

MCG3 steel, with high oxidation resistance at high temperature, allows substituting Aluminum in forged diesel engine pistons and makes possible to increase temperature and pressure, improving efficiency and reducing fuel consumption and greenhouse-effect emissions

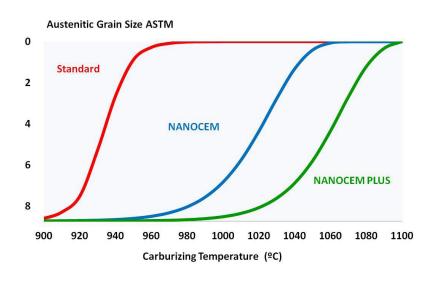


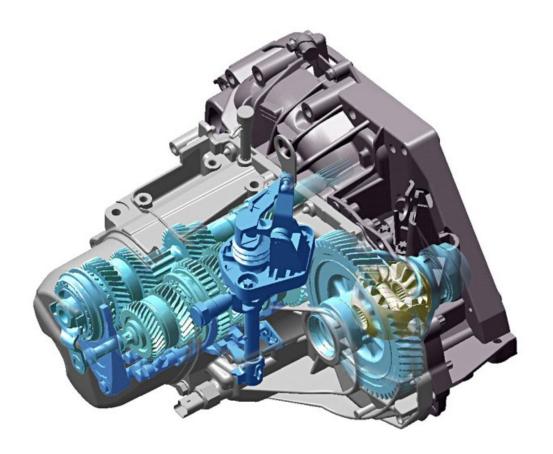




## NANOCEM: Energy Savings. High Temperature Carburizing

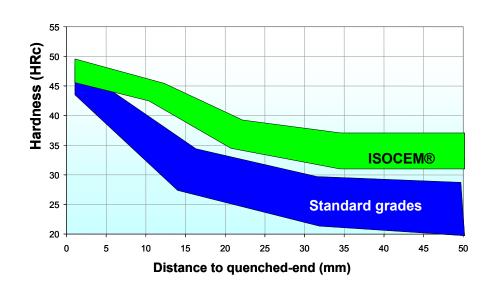
NANOCEM steels apply nanoprecipitation technology to control austenitic grain size at high temperature. Carburizing can be shortened 3-4 times increasing holding temperature up to 1050°C keeping grain size as fine as conventional treatments at 950°C





### ISOCEM®: Innovative Technologies. Vacuum Carburizing

ISOCEM® steels are suitable for low pressure carburizing and gas quenching processes. Hardenability is tailored to ensure the final mechanical properties at both the case and the core and an upper service performance







#### **Commitment with Innovation**





