MECAMAX®MB STEELS

Create Value in Machining SIDENOR technologies to increase end-user productivity







What is MECAMAX® MB?

- Developed by Sidenor in order to **reduce machining costs** of steel parts in a wide range of machining operations (turning, drilling, broaching...)
- This technology is recommended for **high performance applications** guaranteeing the required mechanical properties



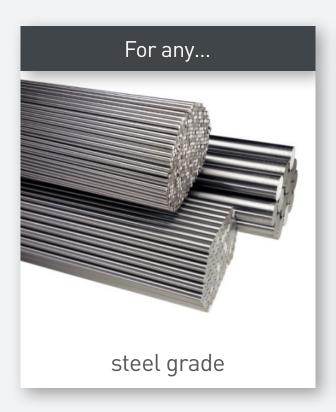




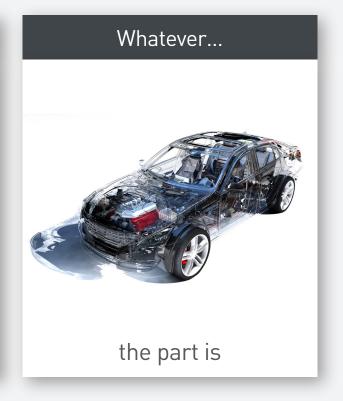


Where is MECAMAX® MB Used?

Tailored solutions for any part /process /customer







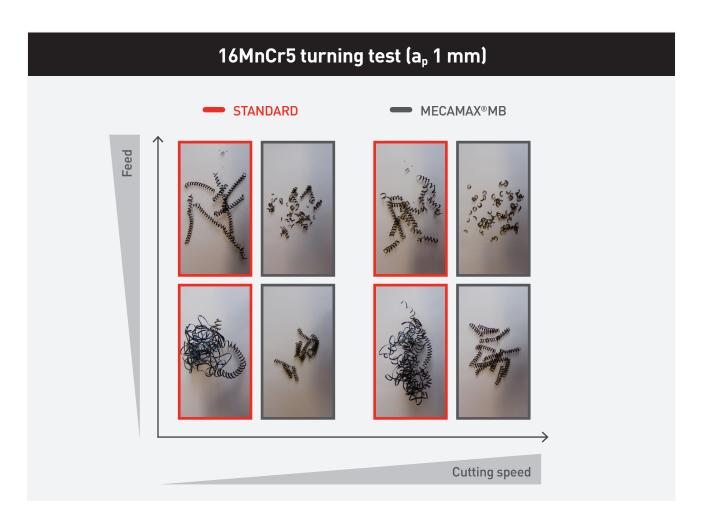


How does MECAMAX® MB Improve Machinability?

- MECAMAX® MB technology is demonstrated to improve the steel machinability
 - ✓... facilitating the chip fragmentation
 - ✓... reducing the tool wear
 - ✓... increasing productivity
 - ... enhancing steel isotropy in comparison to other improved machinability steels









Excellent Chip Quality

 The long chips generated during the machining of standard grades produce severe overcosts:



- Accumulation of chips in the work areas
- ✓ Block of extractor conveyors
- ✓ Machine stops and robot failures
- Chips tangled up in parts...

 These setbacks can be solved by MECAMAX® MB technology, which promotes chip fragmentation





Drilling laboratory tests on 16MnCr5 standard and MECAMAX® MB under the same cutting parameters

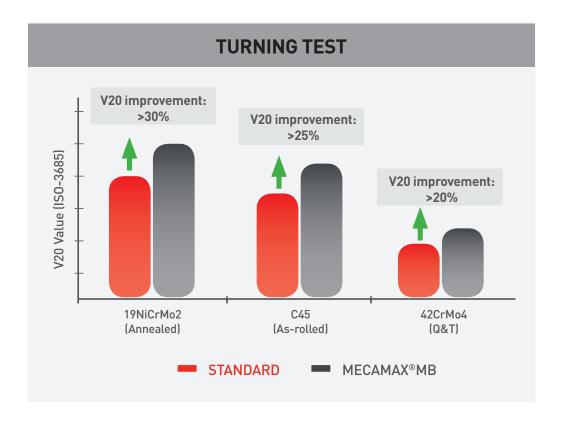


Minimum Tool Wear

- Tool wear reduction up to 50% thanks to the:
 - ✓ Self-lubrication effect
 - ✓ Reduction of the cutting temperature and forces









Maximizing Productivity

- Both chip quality and cutting tool life determine economic efficiency of machining process
- Productivity increase is guaranteed (up to 50%):
 - ✓ Optimization of the total working time (less tool changes are necessary)
 - ✓ More parts per hour based on cutting speed increment

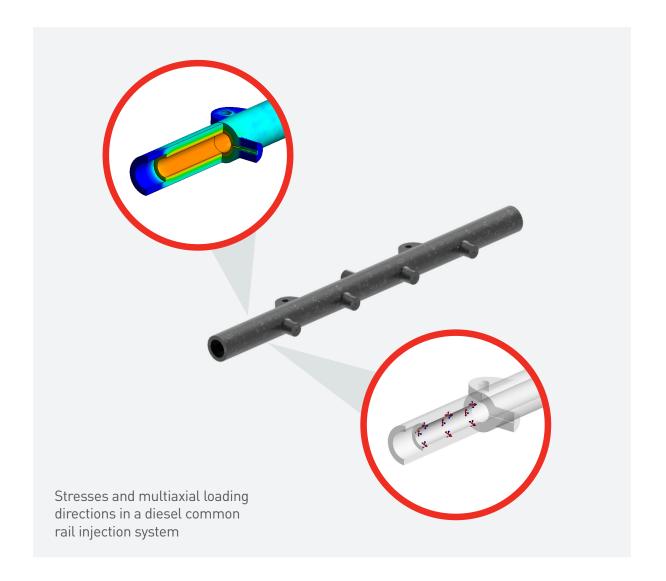






Isotropy optimization

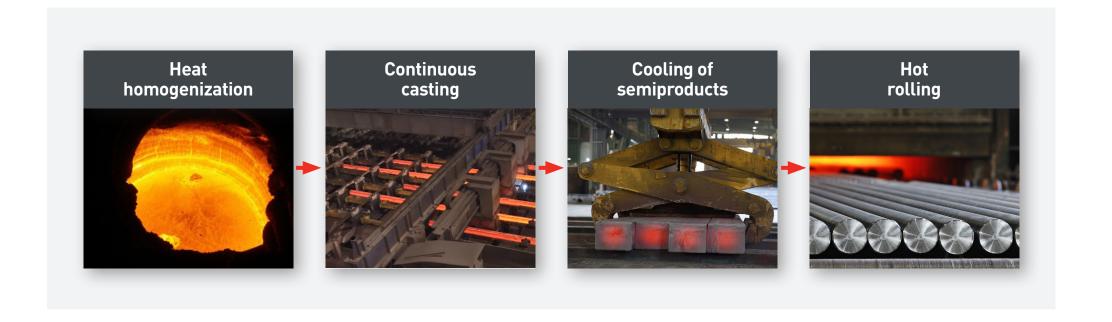
- Sulphur addition is the most common way to improve the steel machinability, however the steel transversal properties are affected negatively
- To maintain the mechanical properties Sulphur content, and consequently machinability, must be reduced
- An alternative to compensate this machinability deterioration without penalising the steel isotropy is MECAMAX® MB





How is MECAMAX® MB Manufactured?

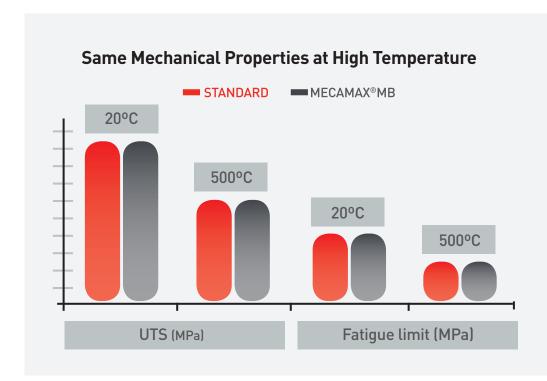
- The excellence of the manufacturing process ensures optimum quality of MECAMAX® MB steels. It comprises special developed procedures in the steel shop, continuous casting and rolling mill
- To optimize the process, SIDENOR made important investments in research, turning MECAMAX®
 MB steels into the best solution for your machining process





Mechanical Properties Are Not Affected

• The mechanical properties and fatigue performance are not deteriorated, even at high testing temperatures

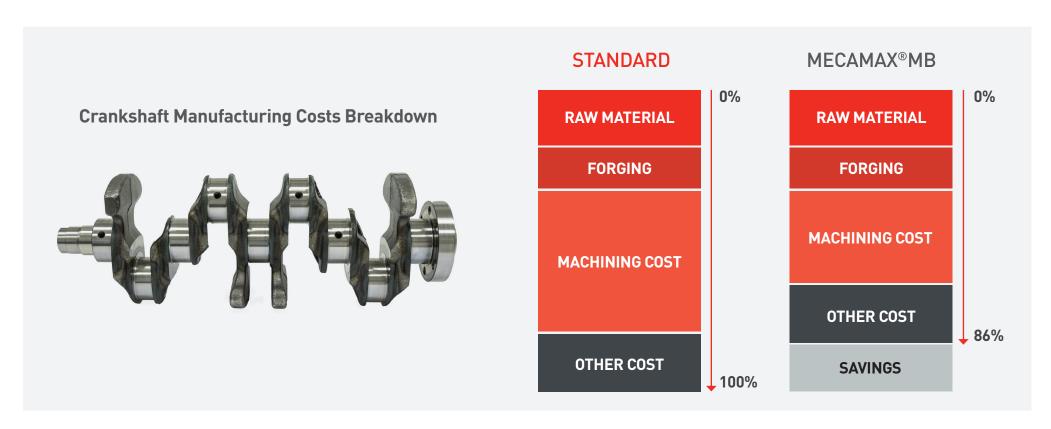






Cost Savings

 Depending on the part geometry and its manufacturing process, the machining costs can be reduced up to 35%

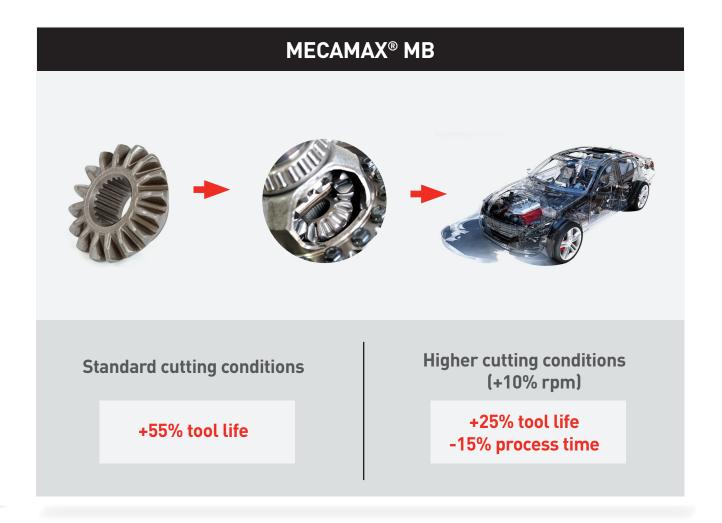




Real Implementation in Automotive Industry

- Good results regardless of the forming route:
 - ✓ Direct machining
 - ✓ Hot forming
 - Cold forging

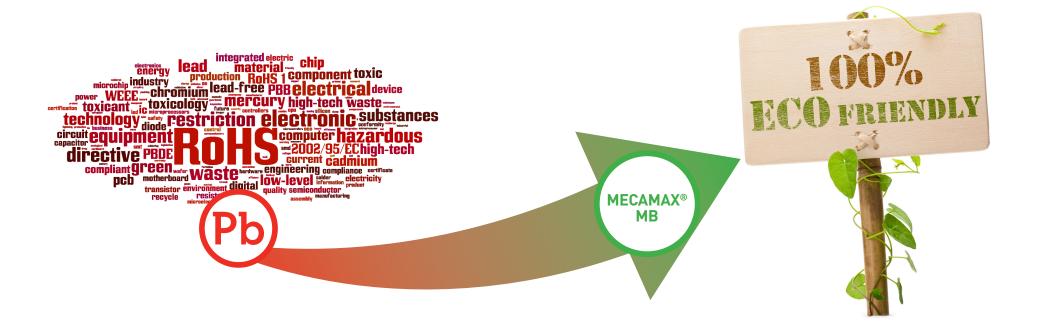






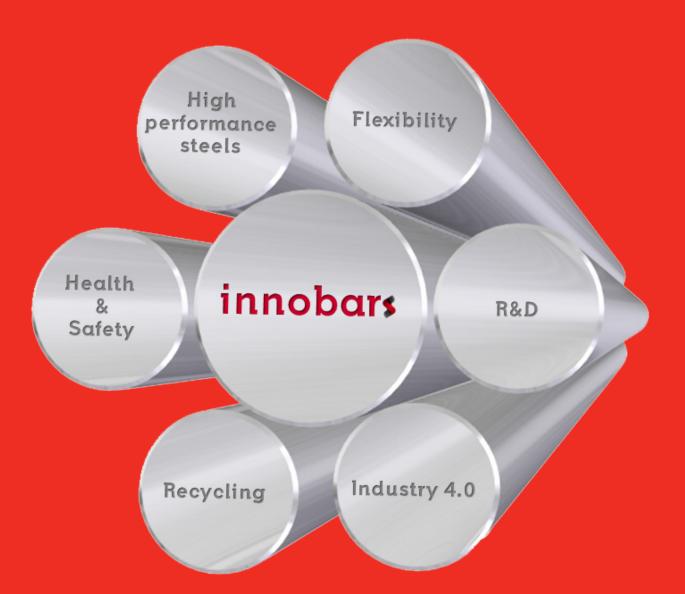
An Eco-Friendly Material

• Many of MECAMAX® MB applications are for non-toxic replacement of leaded steels. Unlike other machinability improved steels containing Pb, MECAMAX® MB is harmless to health and can be recycled as many times as you want without following any special regulation.



MECAMAX® Technology

Engineering Steels with Improved Machinability





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MECAMAX® MB



Improved machinability steels for high performance applications

MECAMAX® AV



Improved machinability steels for high cutting speeds

MECAMAX® PLUS



Improved machinability steels for all the cutting speed range





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