

MECAMAX® MB STEELS

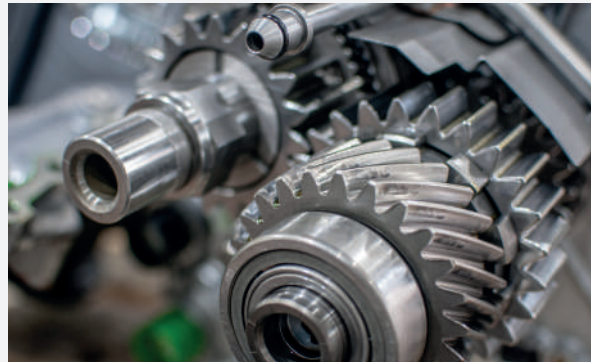
Create Value in Machining

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

For any...



steel grade

In all...



machining operations

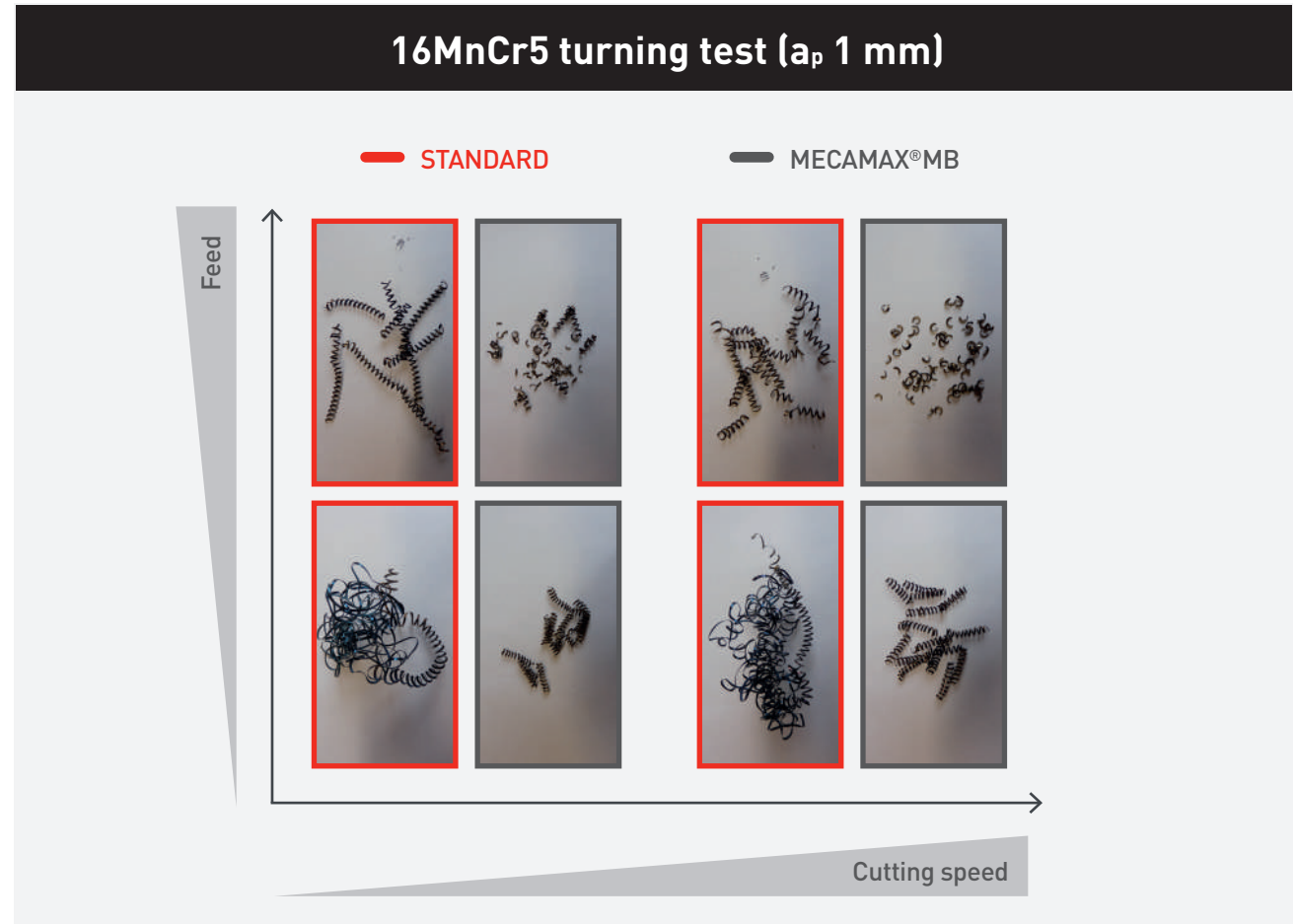
Whatever...



the part is

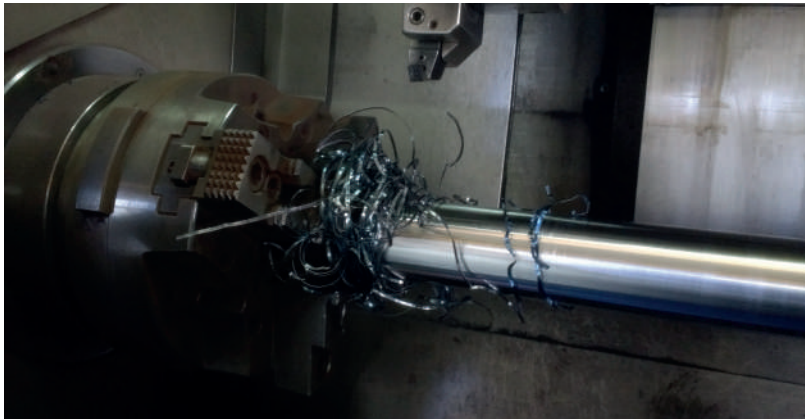
How does MECAMAX® MB Improve Machinability?

- 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



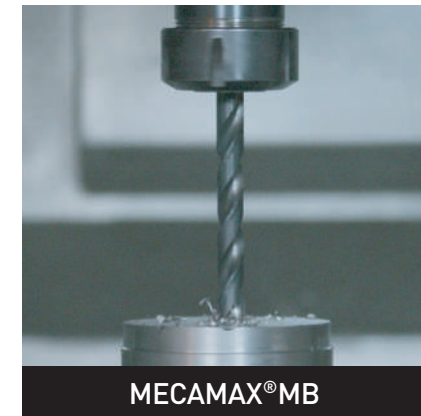
Excellent Chip Quality

- 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...

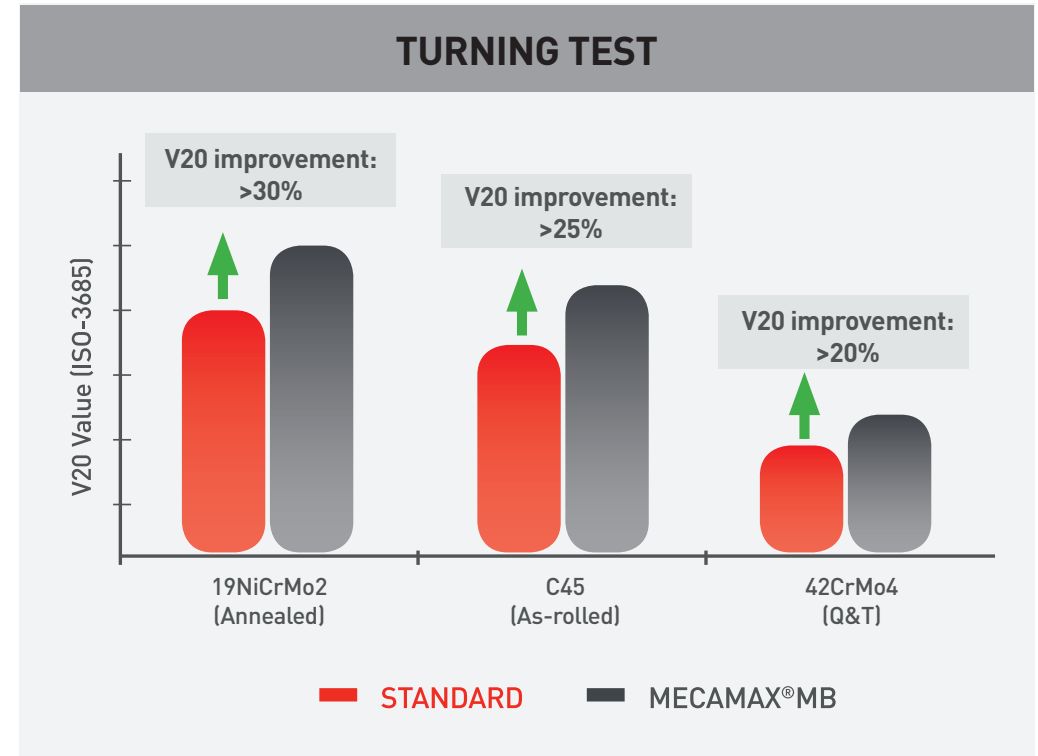
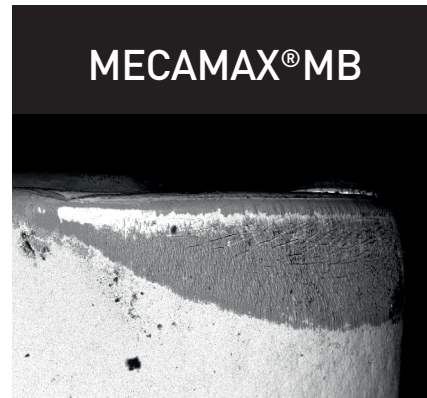
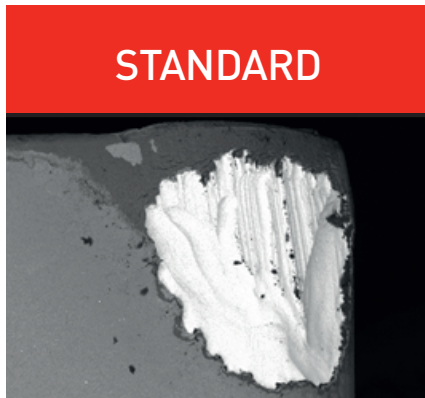
- These setbacks can be solved by **MECAMAX® MB technology**, which **promotes chip fragmentation**



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



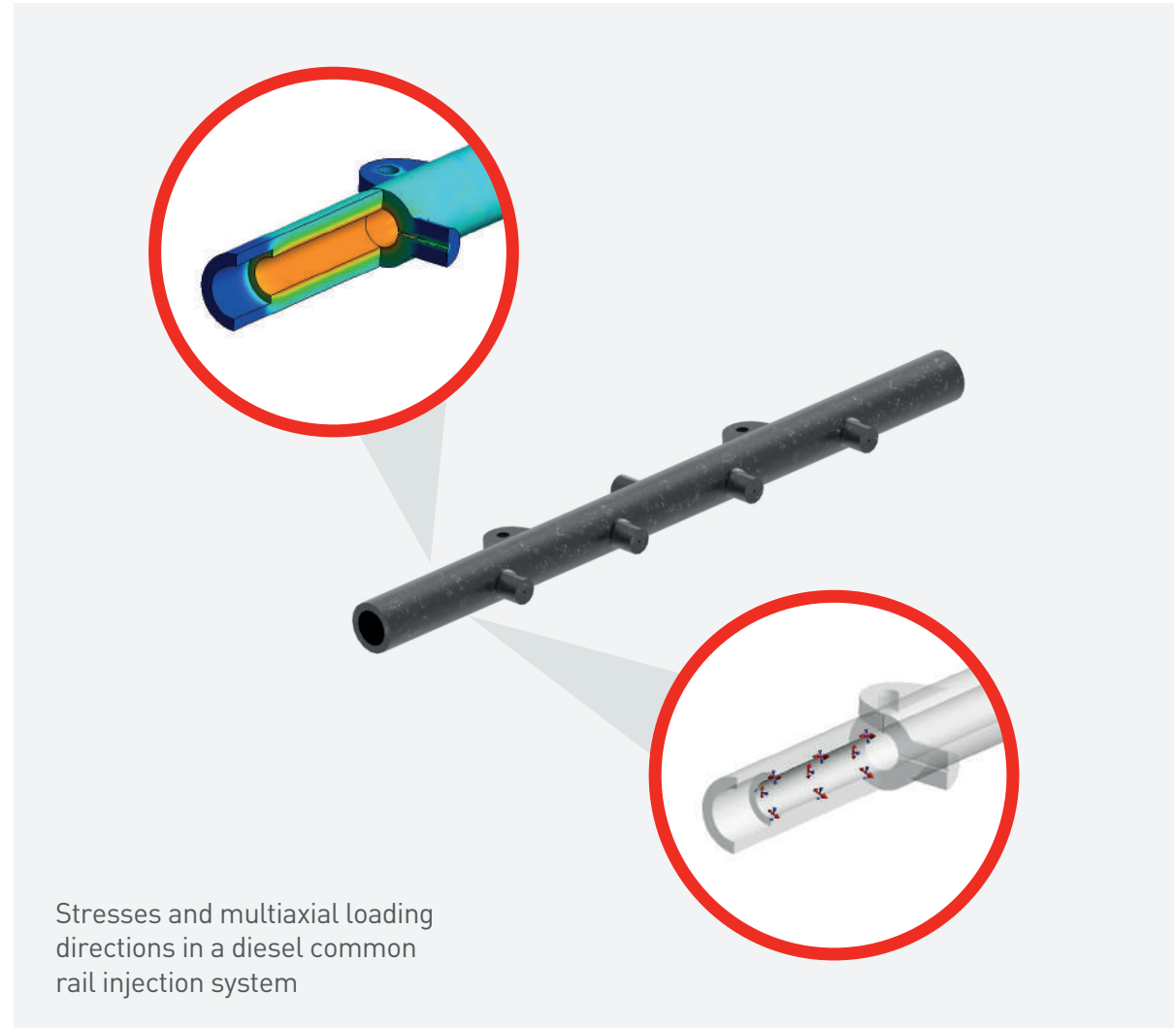
Maximizing Productivity

- 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

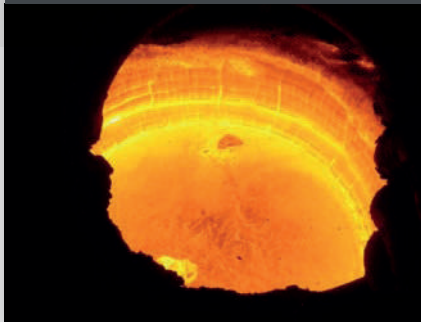
- Sulphur addition is the most common way to improve the steel machinability, however the steel transversal properties are affected negatively
- To maintain the mechanical properties Sulphur content, and consequently machinability, must be reduced
- An alternative to compensate this machinability deterioration 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

**Heat
homogenization**



**Continuous
casting**



**Cooling of
semiproducts**



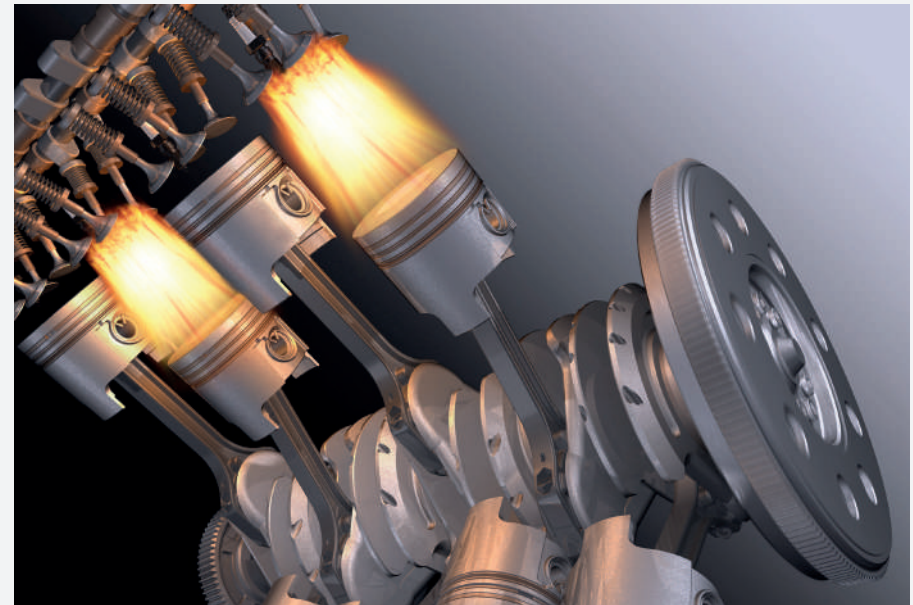
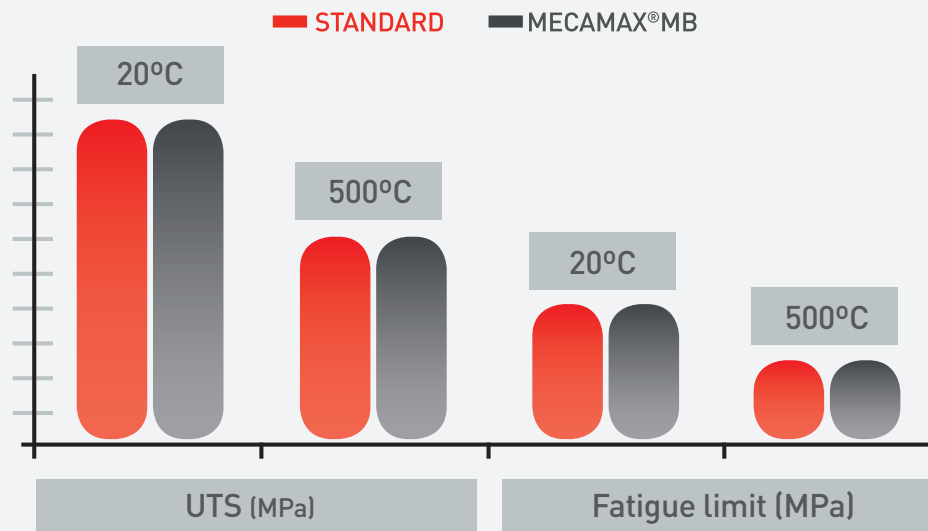
**Hot
rolling**



Mechanical Properties Are Not Affected

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

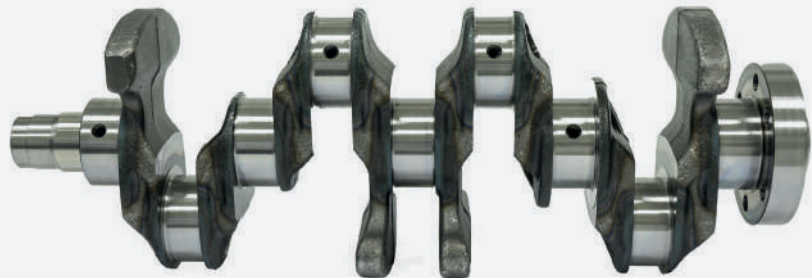
Same Mechanical Properties at High Temperature



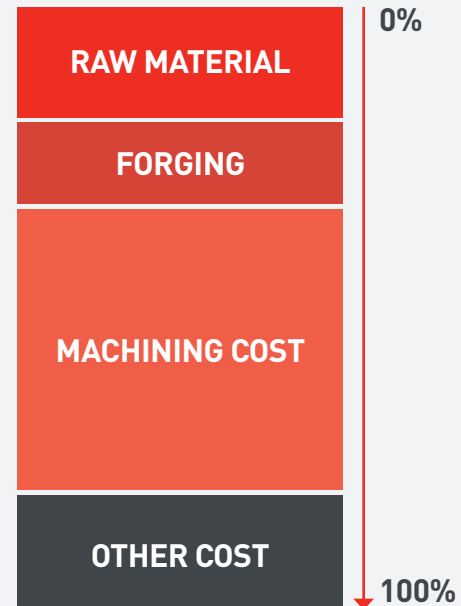
Cost Savings

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

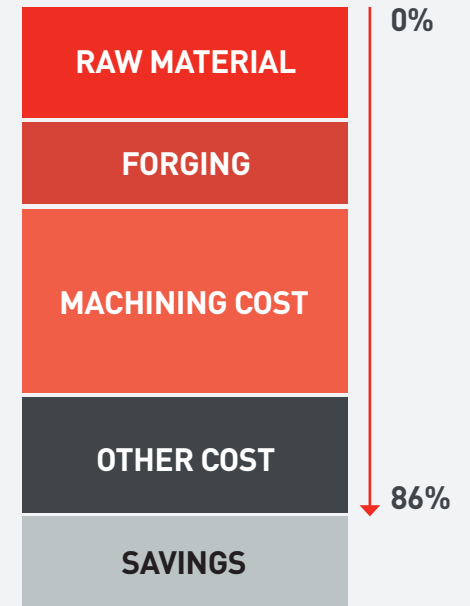
Crankshaft Manufacturing Costs Breakdown



STANDARD



MECAMAX®MB



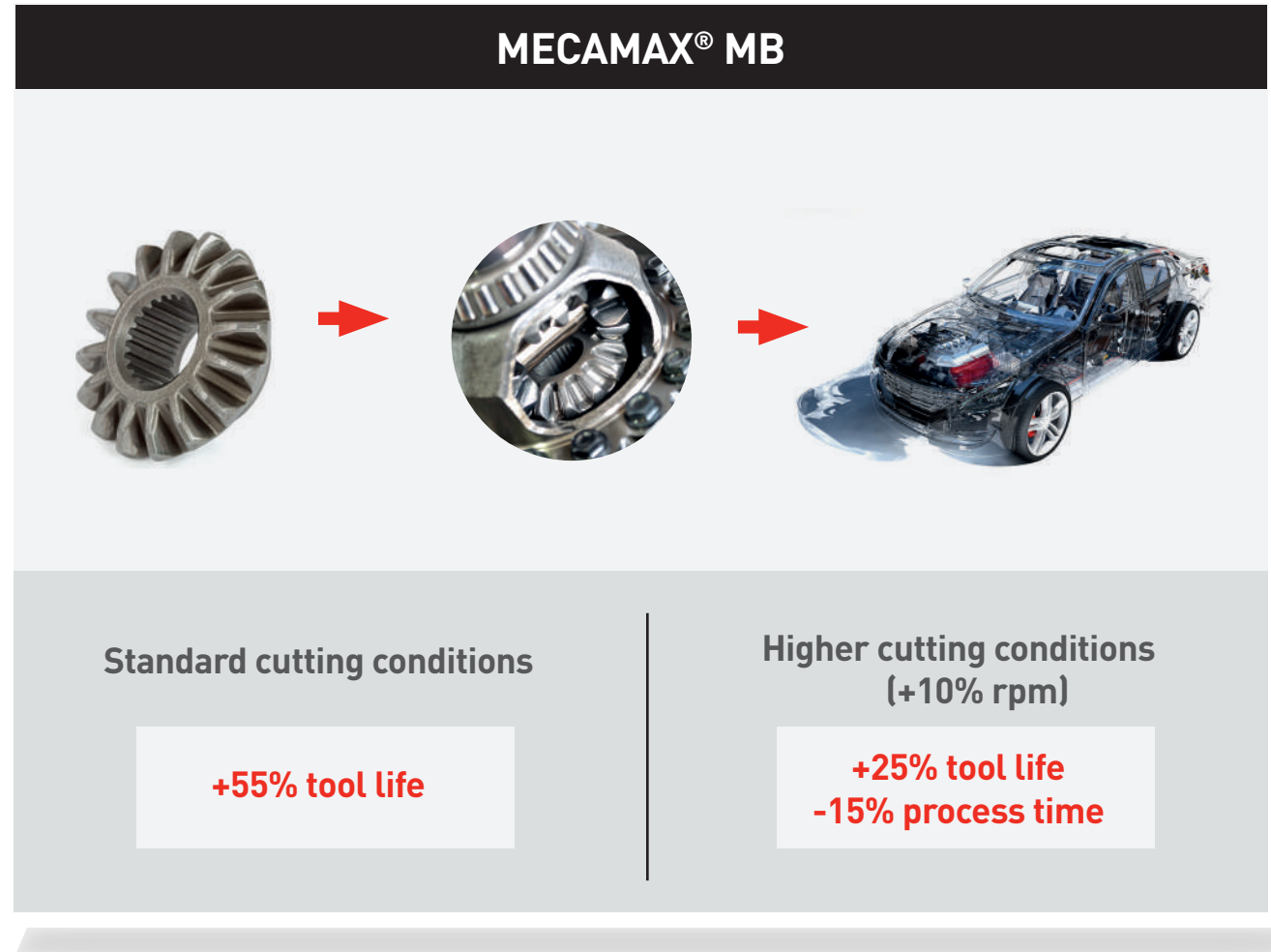
Real Implementation in Automotive Industry

- Good results regardless of the forming route:

- ✓ Direct machining
- ✓ Hot forming
- ✓ Cold forging

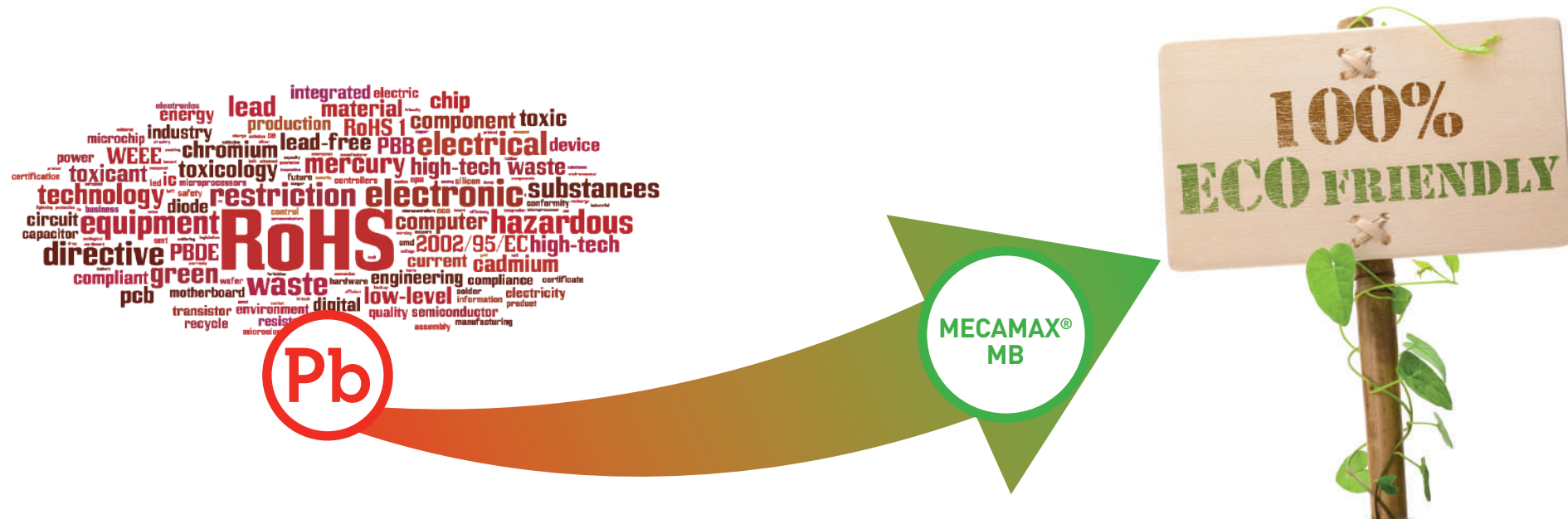


PRODUCTIVITY



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



MECAMAX® Technology: Engineering Steels With Improved Machinability

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

Thank you very much



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