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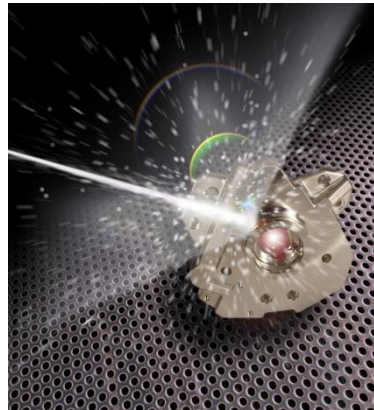


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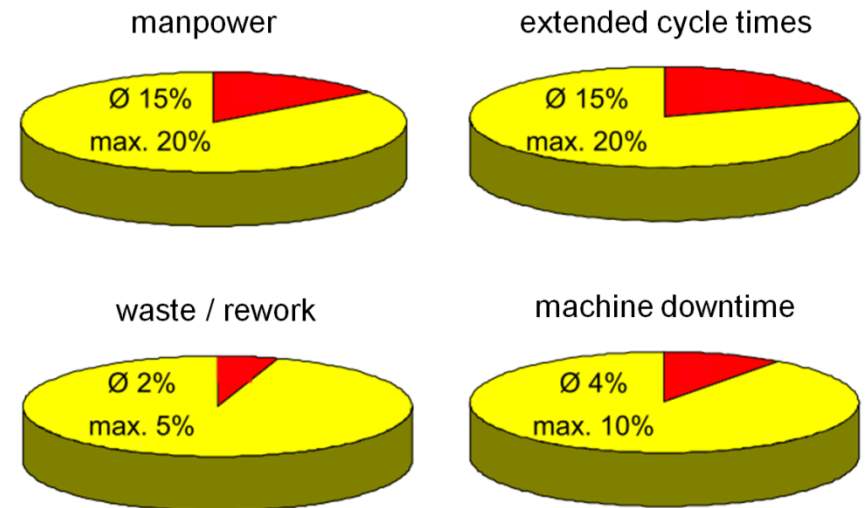
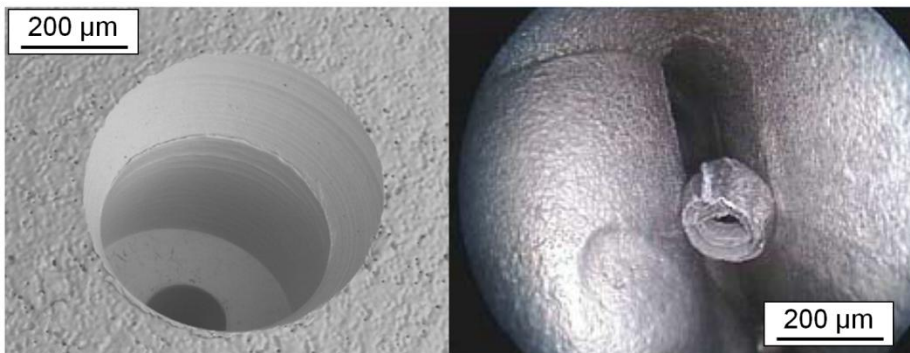
Cryogenic wet-ice blasting - process conditions and possibilities



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Fields of application:

- Deburring
- Cleaning
- Surface treatment



Source: Ergebnisbericht Spansauber, TU Kaiserslautern, FBK, J.C. Aurich, 2006

Burr at borehole (left), chip in fluidic system (right)

Extra expenses in production due to burrs and chips

Structure:

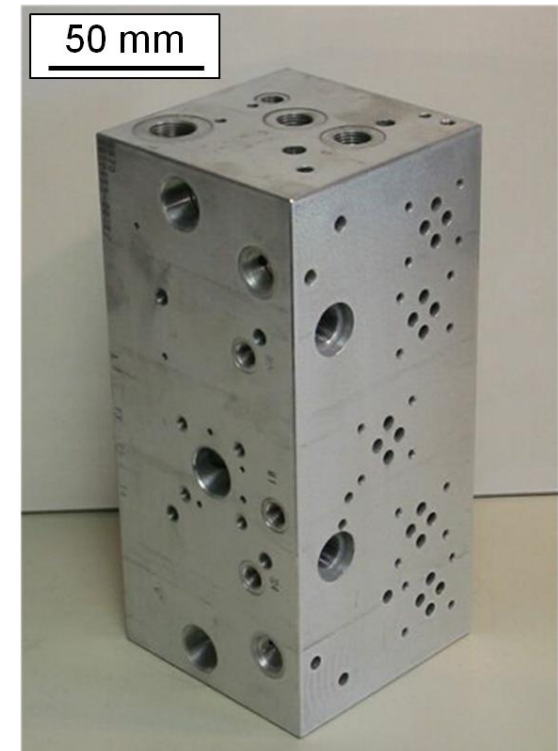
1. Goals of cryogenic wet-ice blasting
(in short WIB)
2. Working Principles
3. Process description of WIB
4. Experimental Results
5. Conclusions

Ice particle production machine in the IFQ
„Cryo-Tank“ for wet-ice blasting - WIB



1. Goals of Cryogenic wet-ice blasting WIB

- Simultaneous deburring and cleaning of highly complex and highly stressed components such as control blocks and engine parts
- Deburring without solid residues and required following cleaning
- Defined blasting particle size and hardness
- Limited use of chemical additives - emulsion
- No damage at the workpiece surface
- Potential for surface smoothing
- No defined edge geometry



Source: SKL-Maschinenbau GmbH

2. Working Principles

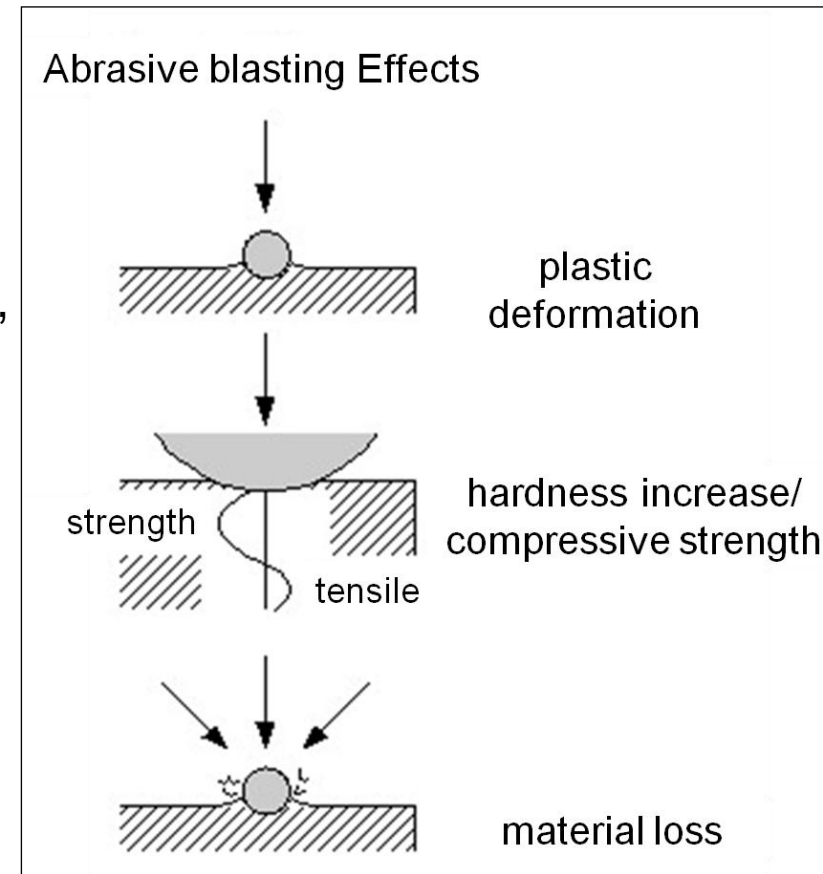
The size of the transferred energy is dependent on the:

- particle energy,
- properties such as grain shape of the abrasive, grain materials and grain hardness,
- angle of impact
- properties of the blasted surface.

The particle energy is calculated according to the basic physical formula

$$E_{\text{kin}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot m \cdot v^2$$

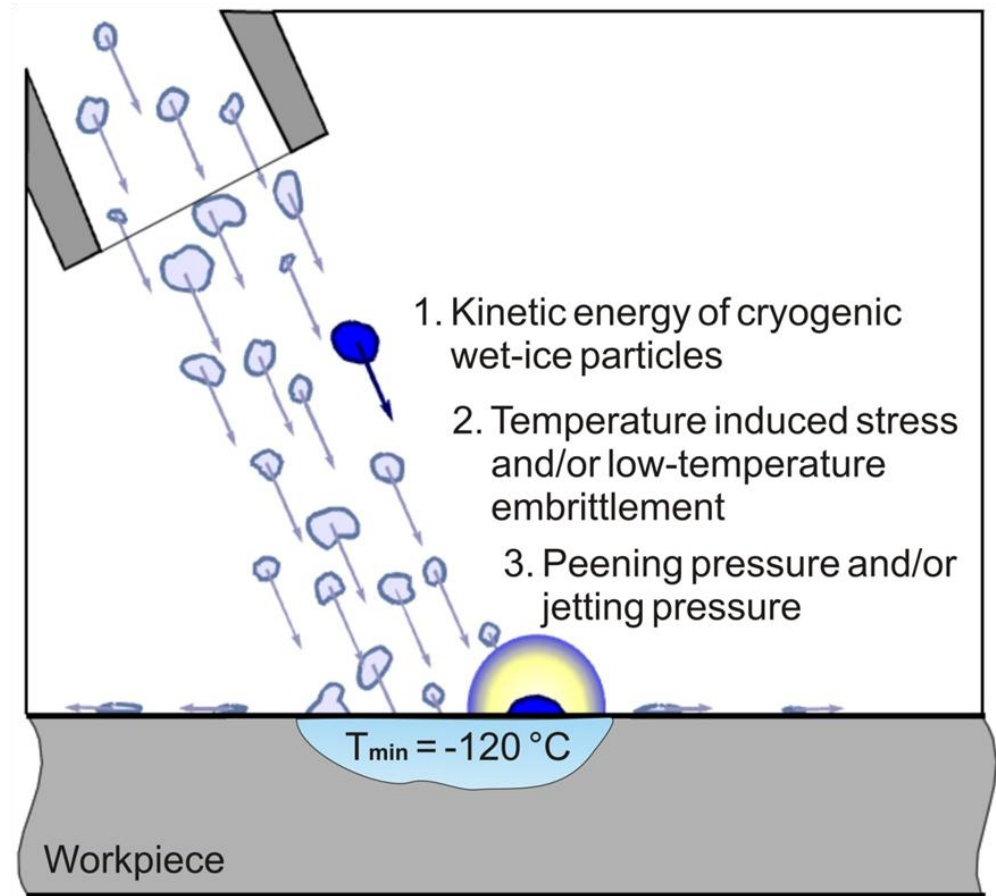
and thus grows proportionally with the particle mass and the square of the particle velocity.



Source: Sigg Strahltechnik GmbH

In case of cryogenic wet-ice blasting (WIB) there are some other effects:

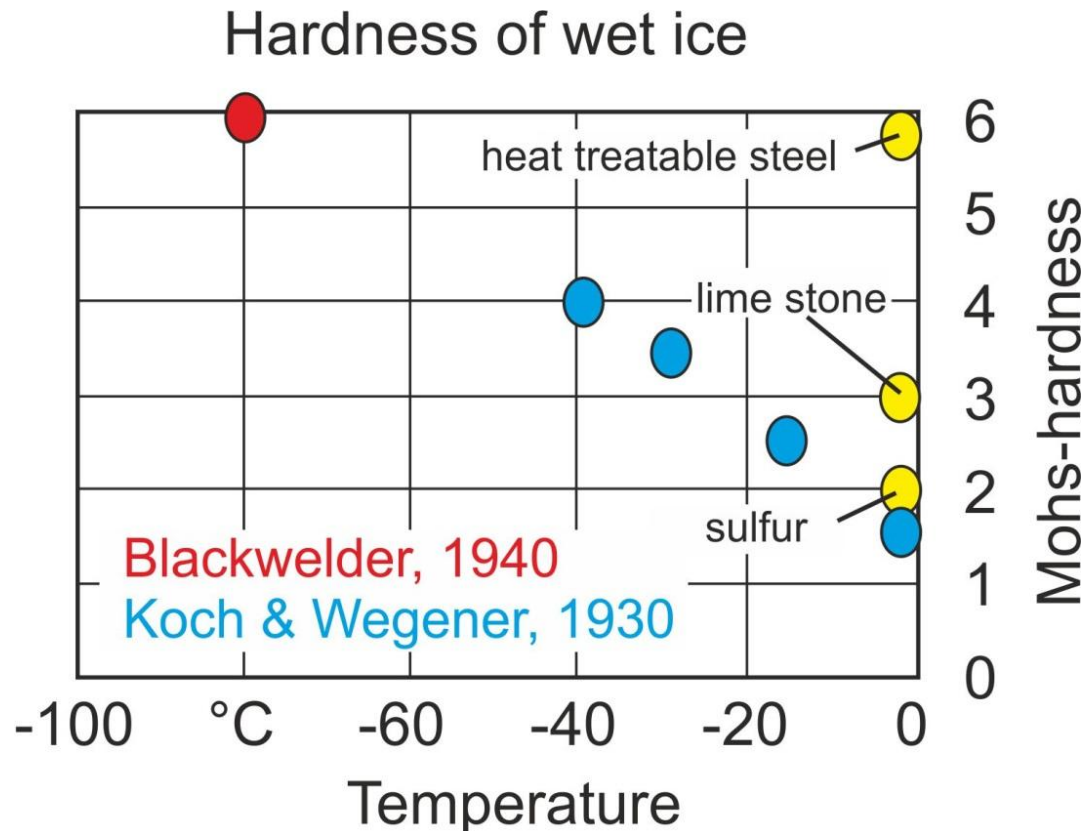
- temperature-induced stress on the surface
- low temperature embrittlement of the ground material
- Peening pressure of the multiple fluid shock waves
- Jetting pressure of the molten water on the surface



Based on: F. W. Bach, University Hannover, IW

Ice particles as a blasting abrasive

“An ideal blasting abrasive should have an edged form, has a hardness of at least 6 Mohs and disintegrates into gas at room temperature completely” [J. Haberland].

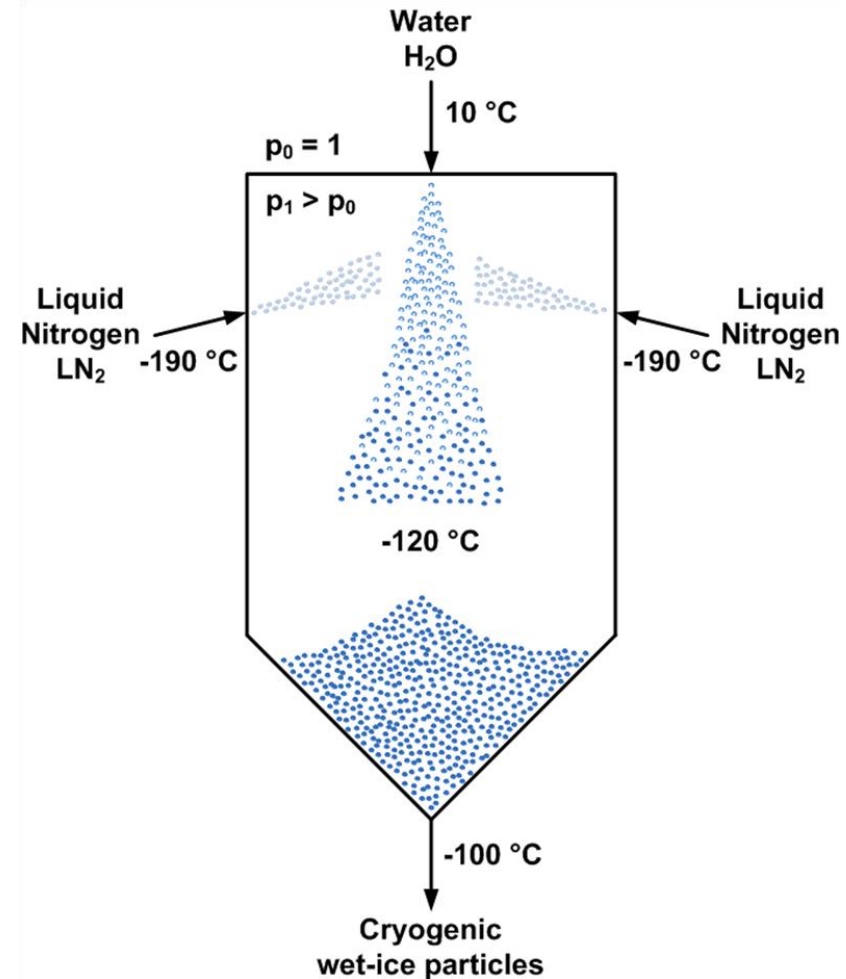


The Mohs hardness of ice was checked and confirmed experimentally

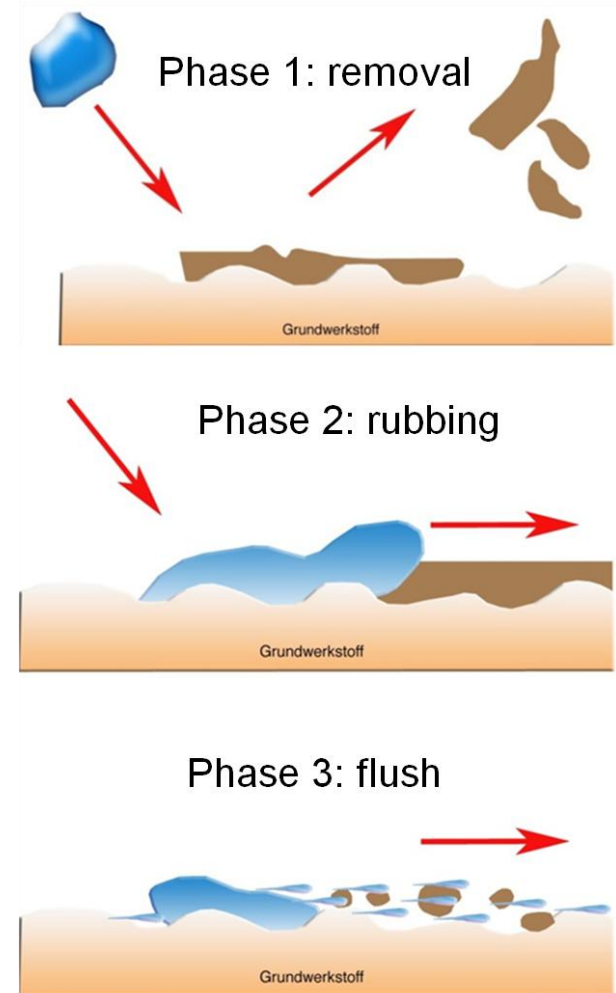
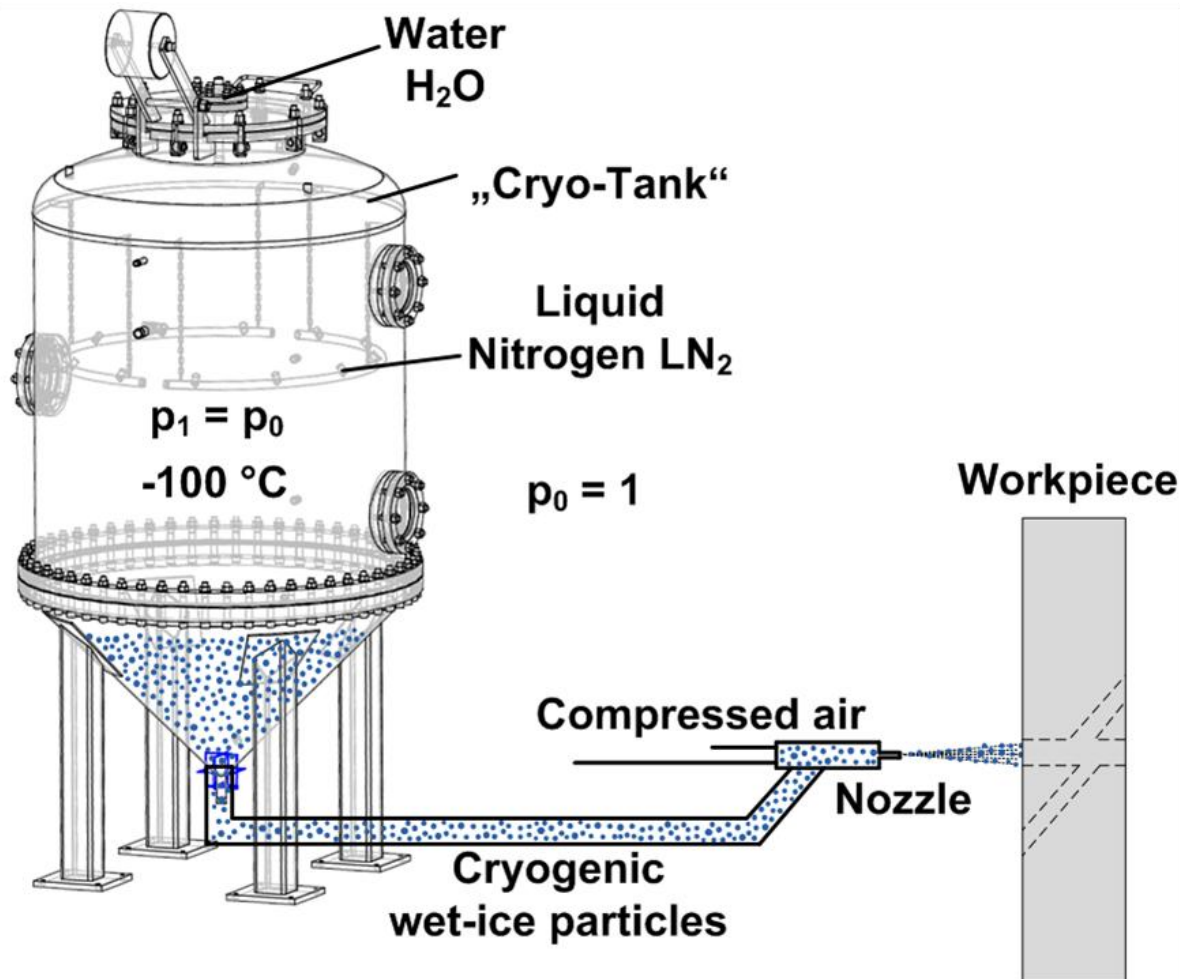
3. Process description of WIB

Manufacturing process of cryogenic wet-ice particles

- The “Cryo-Tank” is cooled down via a ring tube in the upper part of the system by liquid nitrogen LN₂ till at least -120 °C.
- Water atomizes over a full cone nozzle in the lid of the system and freezes in the cold atmosphere.
- Frozen ice particles accumulate in the lower part of the equipment in the hopper, that feeds them to the outlet opening.



Jet process



Source: Piller Entgrattechnik

Cryogenic ice particles - „Cryo-Tank“



Cryogenic ice particles in the „Cryo-Tank“ (view from the top)

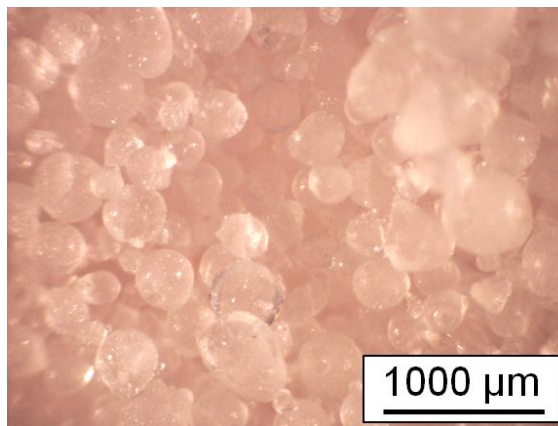
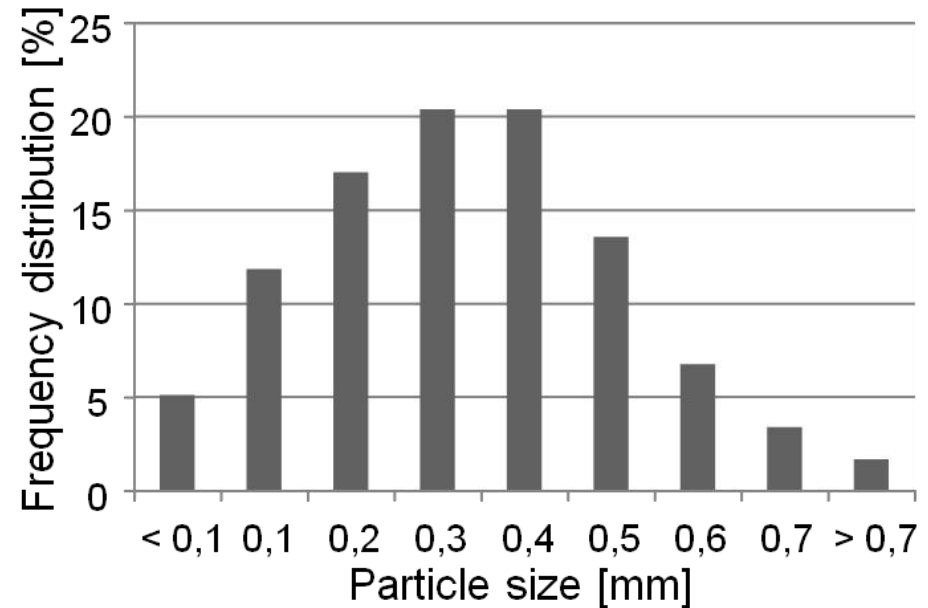
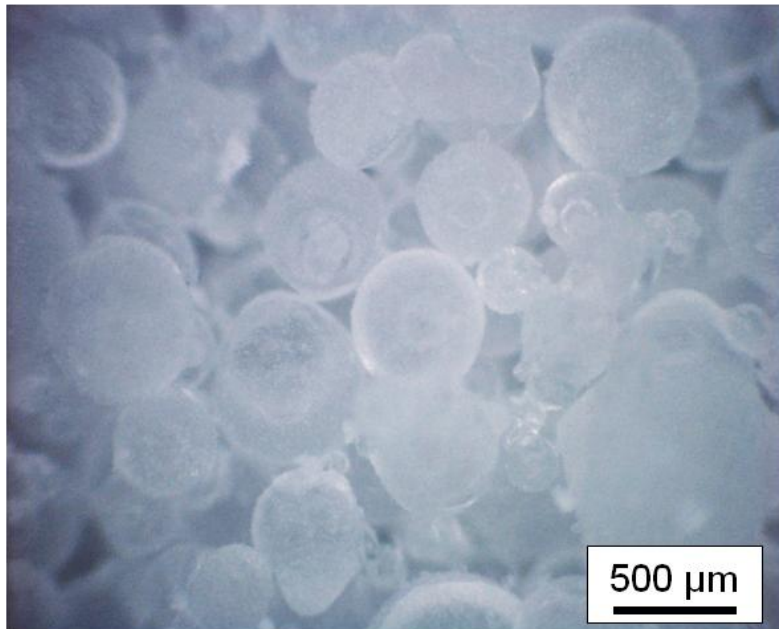


Movie



Free flowing ice particles

Cryogenic ice particles - Analysis



Form: spherical

Temperature: -100 °C

Mohs hardness: 6-7

Temperature resistance: stable

Free flowing properties: such as dry sand

3. Experimental Results

Analysis the abrasiveness of cryogenic ice particles - Equipment



Injector blasting cubicle
for practical experiments



1 - test specimen

2 - fixture

3 - nozzle

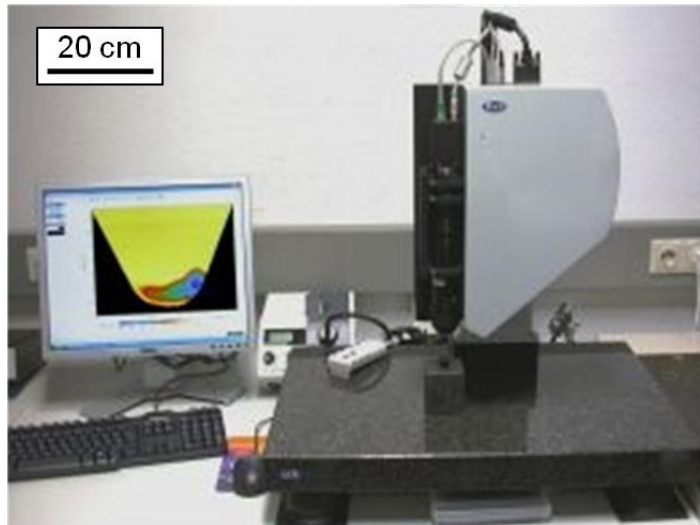
4 - ice particles

Injector blasting cubicle (view inside)

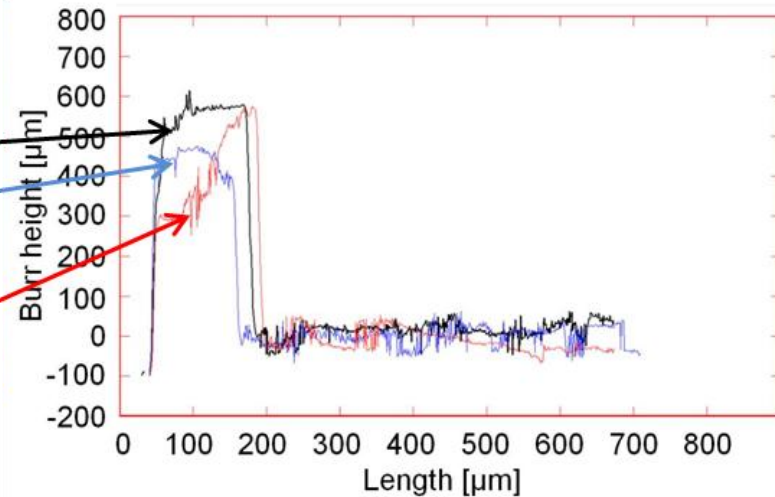
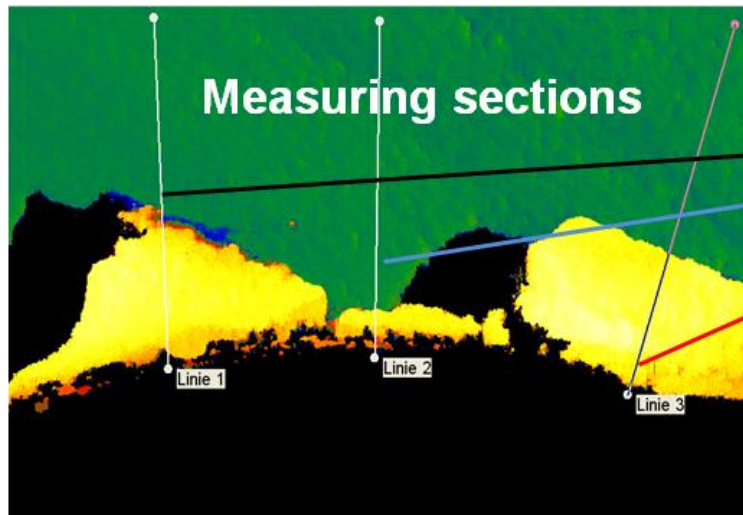
Nozzle handling with cryogenic ice particles



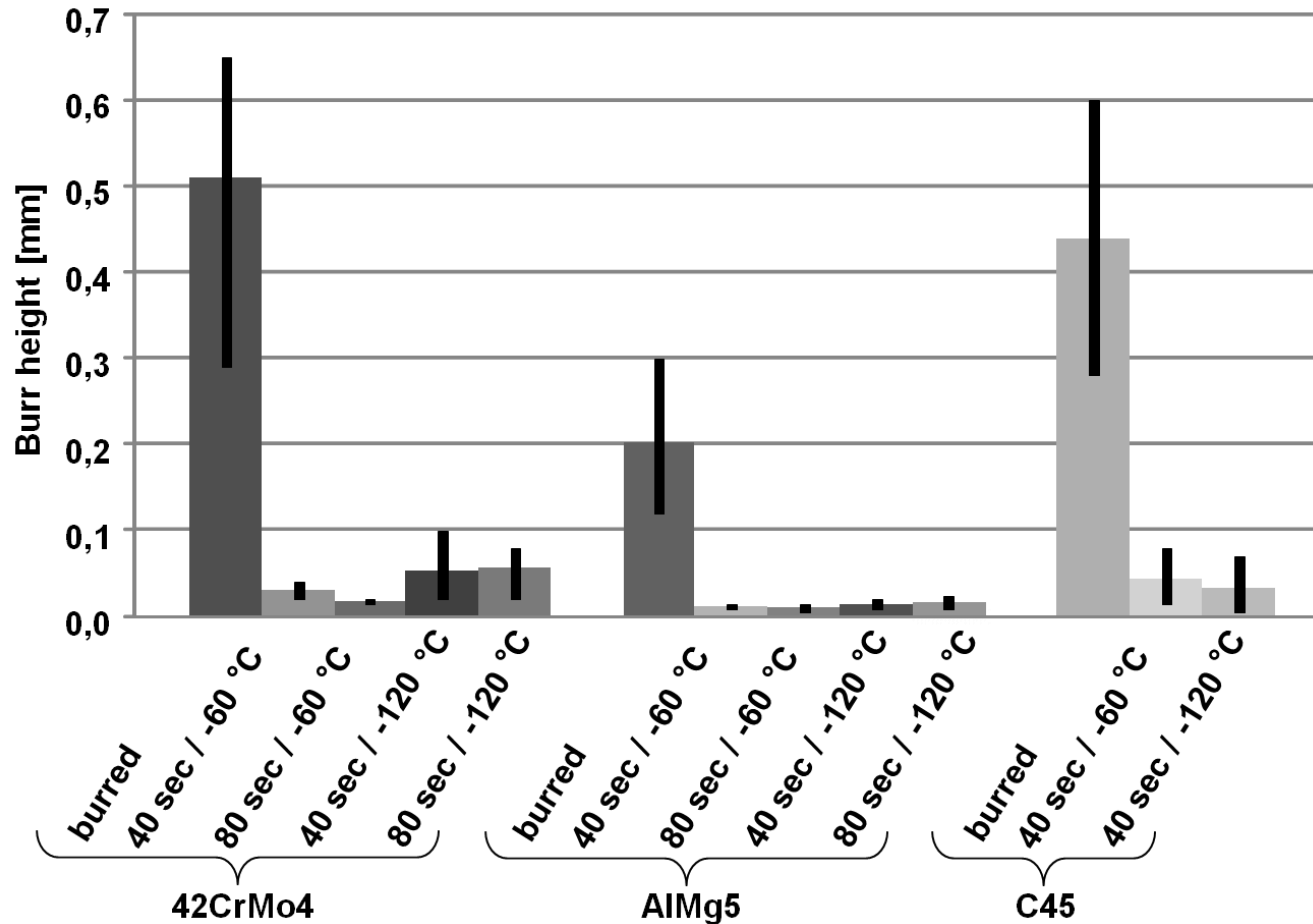
Measurement equipment for burr measuring



3D surface measurement station MikroCAD (GF Messtechnik), based on fringe projection

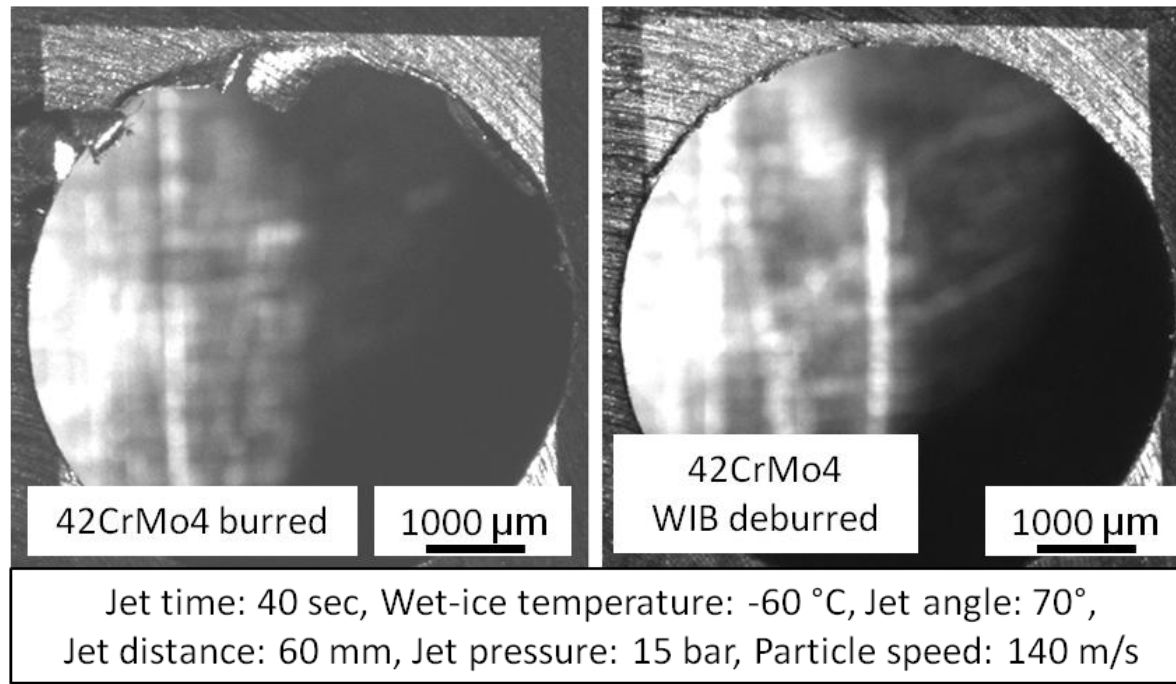


Results of deburring with cryogenic ice particles - metallic materials



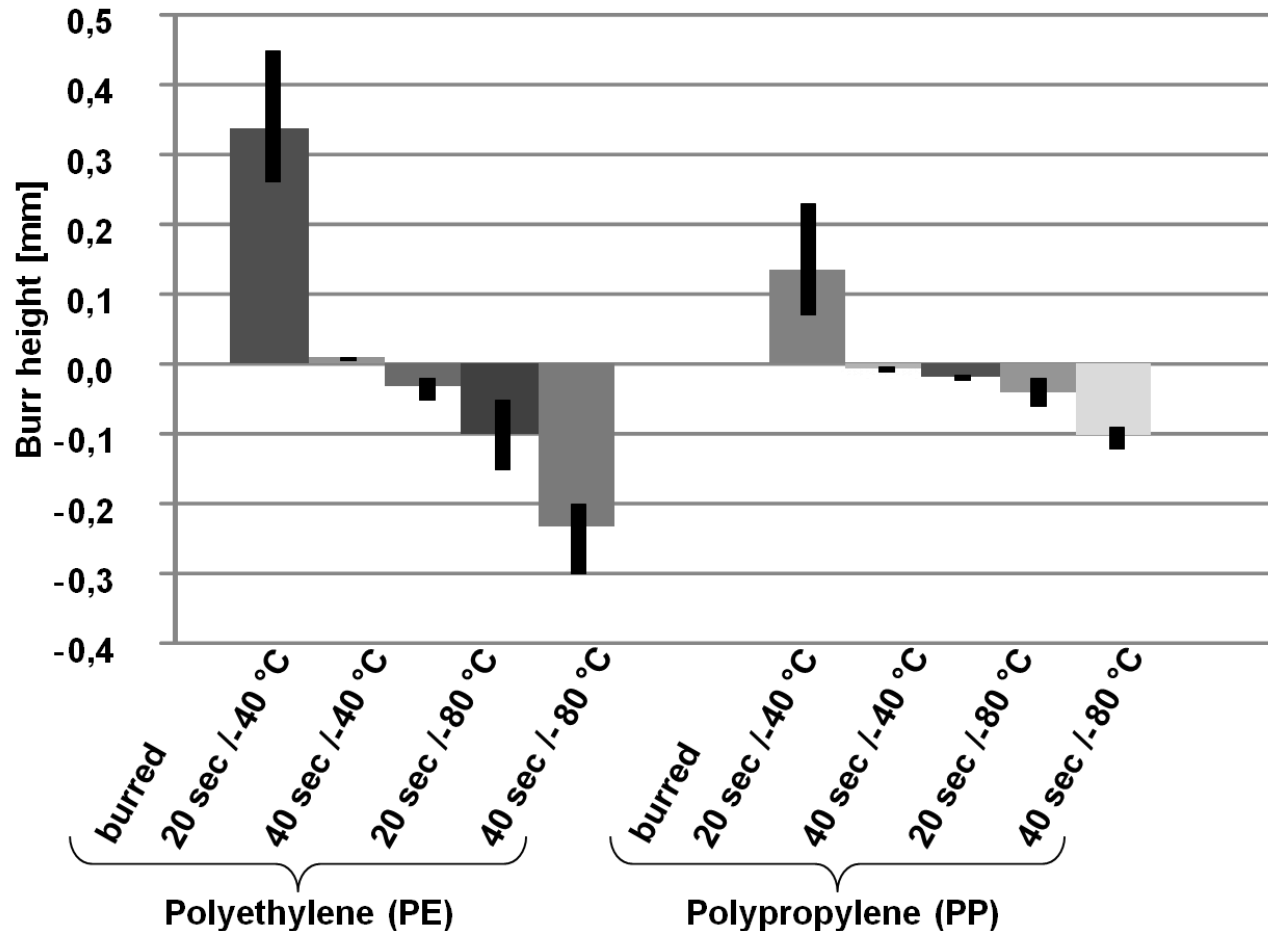
Test parameters WIB of metallic materials	
Ice temperature [°C] variable	-60; -120
Jet time [sec] variable	40; 80
Jet pressure [bar]	15
Jet angle [°]	70
Jet distance [mm]	60
Ice particle size [mm]	0,1 - 0,7
Ice mass flow rate [kg/h]	50
Diameter air nozzle [mm]	4
Diameter jet nozzle [mm]	10
Ice particle speed [m/s]	140

Visual analysis - metallic materials



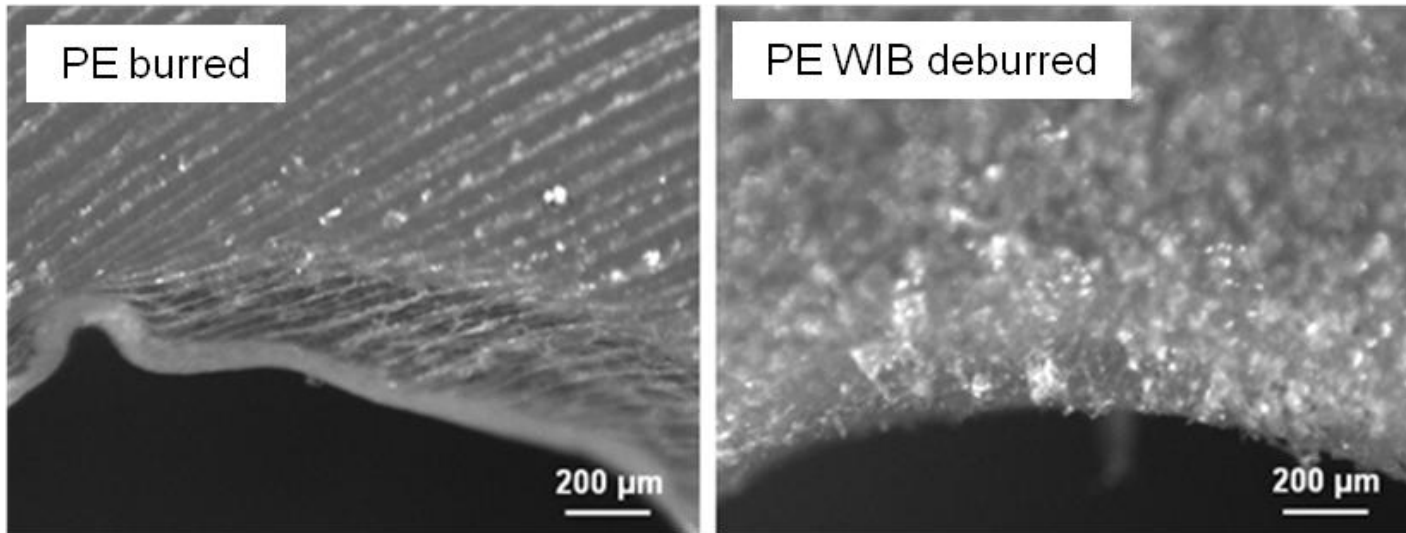
- The burr is completely removed from the borehole.
- WJB on metallic materials leaves just the burr root on the part.
- There is no more risk of loose material fractions during operation.
- The surface round the bore is not damaged.
- In case of metallic materials a large jet pressure is required.

Results of deburring with cryogenic ice particles - plastic materials



Test parameters WIB of plastic materials	
Ice temperature [°C] variable	-40; -80
Jet time [sec] variable	20; 40
Jet pressure [bar]	8
Jet angle [°]	70
Jet distance [mm]	80
Ice particle size [mm]	0,1 - 0,7
Ice mass flow rate [kg/h]	40
Diameter air nozzle [mm]	3
Diameter jet nozzle [mm]	6
Ice particle speed [m/s]	100

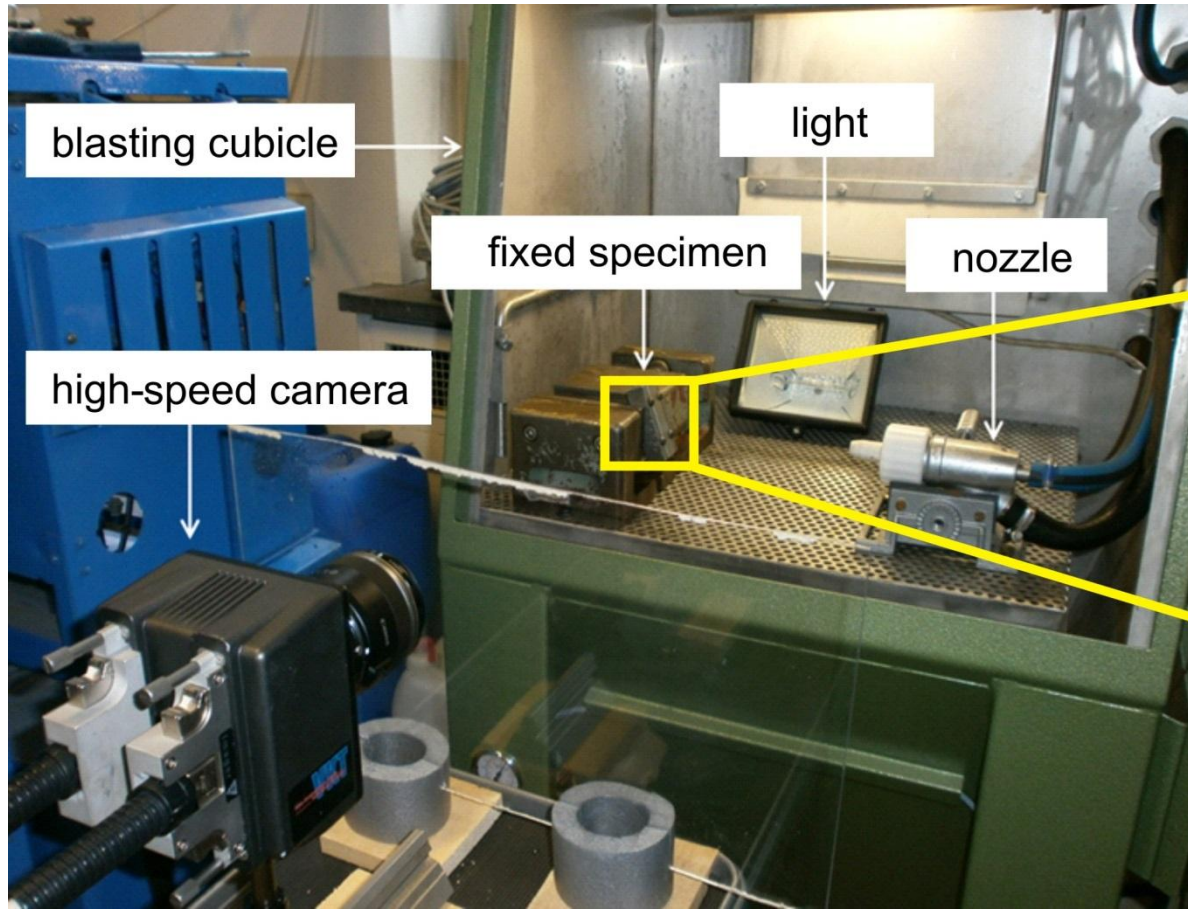
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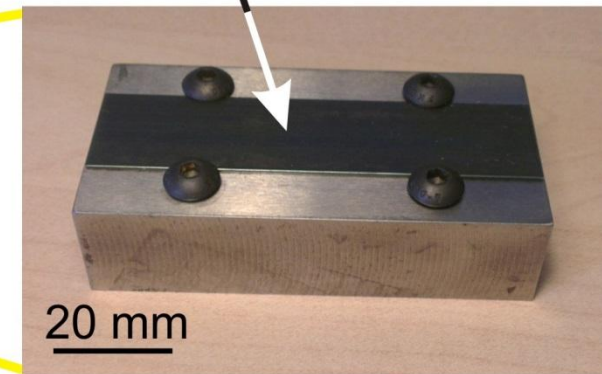
Jet time: 20 sec, Wet-ice temperature: $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, Jet angle: 70° ,
Jet distance: 80 mm, Jet pressure: 8 bar, Particle speed: 100 m/s

- The burr is completely removed from the borehole.
- WIB on plastic materials is too abrasive and destroys the surface of parts.
- The bore and the surface round the bore is damaged.
- In case of plastic materials a small jet pressure and short machining times are required.

Impact analysis of cryogenic ice particles



fixed Almen strip for peening intensity and drop impingement measurement



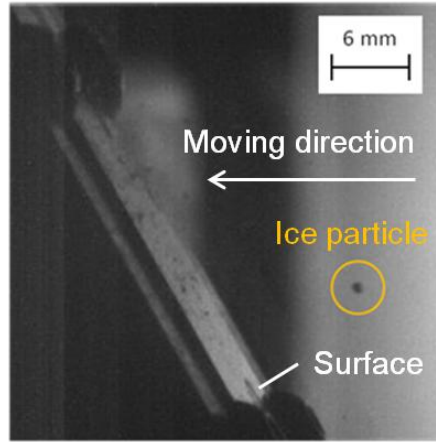
Analysis of the impact of cryogenic ice particles on a surface via High speed camera

Camera:
Photron Fastcam
ultima APX

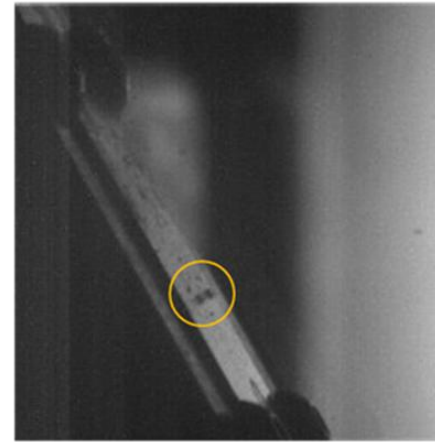
Chosen frame rate:
15.000 fps

Resolution:
256 x 256 pixel

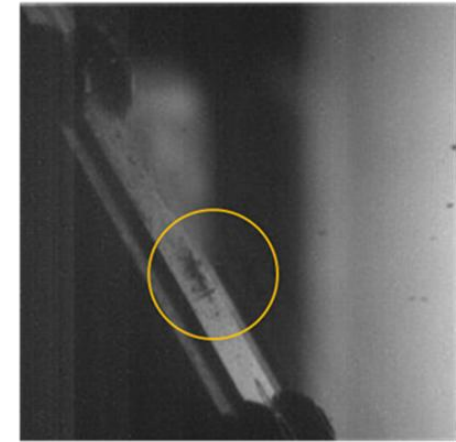
Flight



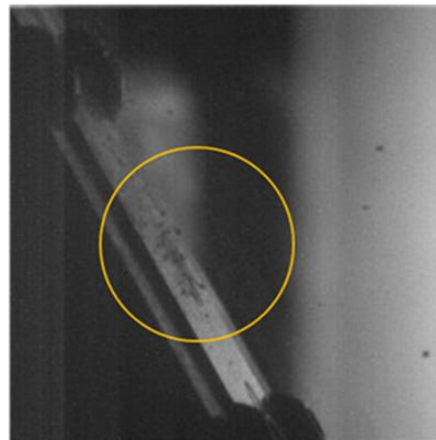
Impingement



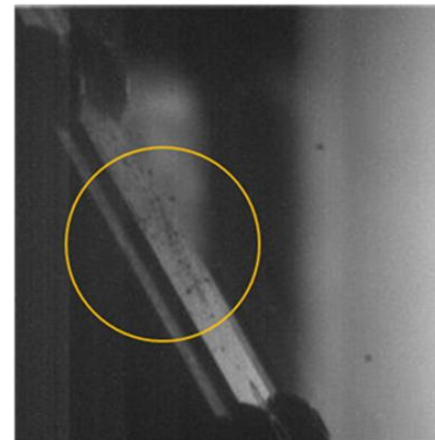
Disintegration



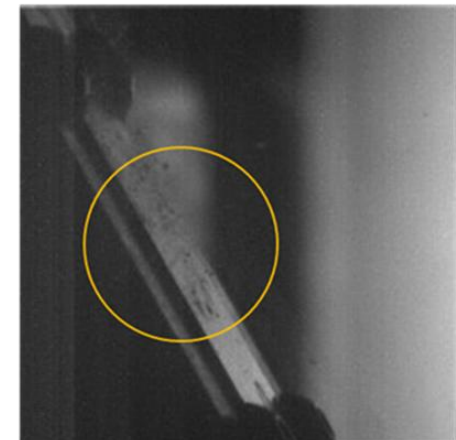
Disintegration



Disintegration



Expansion

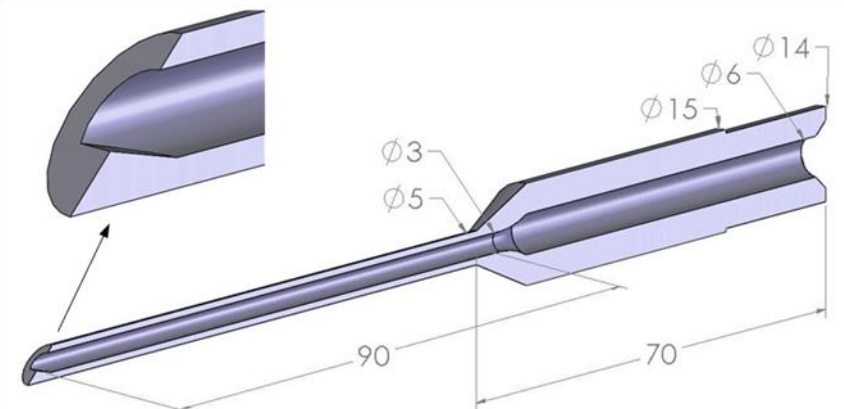


Conclusions

- The practical studies have shown the feasibility of deep frozen wet-ice particles as an abrasive for deburring.
- With the use of deep frozen and cryogenic wet-ice as blasting abrasive the removal of burrs on multifaceted component geometries is possible.
- The temperature-dependent hardness and removal capacity of ice have been confirmed.
- The performance of the new method is promising in metallic materials and highly abrasive in softer materials.
- The impact behavior of an ice particle on a surface is defined in terms of four successive phases: flight, impingement, disintegration and expansion.
 - Ice particles plastically deform and do not bounce off the surface.
 - The spread of particulate matter is generally visible in all directions.
 - The largest particle volume moves in the inclined direction of the surface and is rubbing on it.

Outlook

- The process parameters related to WIB jet processing must be adapted to other materials to be processed.
- The performance of the WIB machining will be examined for other machining tasks:
 - surface finishing and surface preparation
 - decontamination and decoating of surfaces
 - cleaning of turbines or turbine parts
- Realization of a jet lance for machining bore intersections.



Blasting lance for WIB in deep bores

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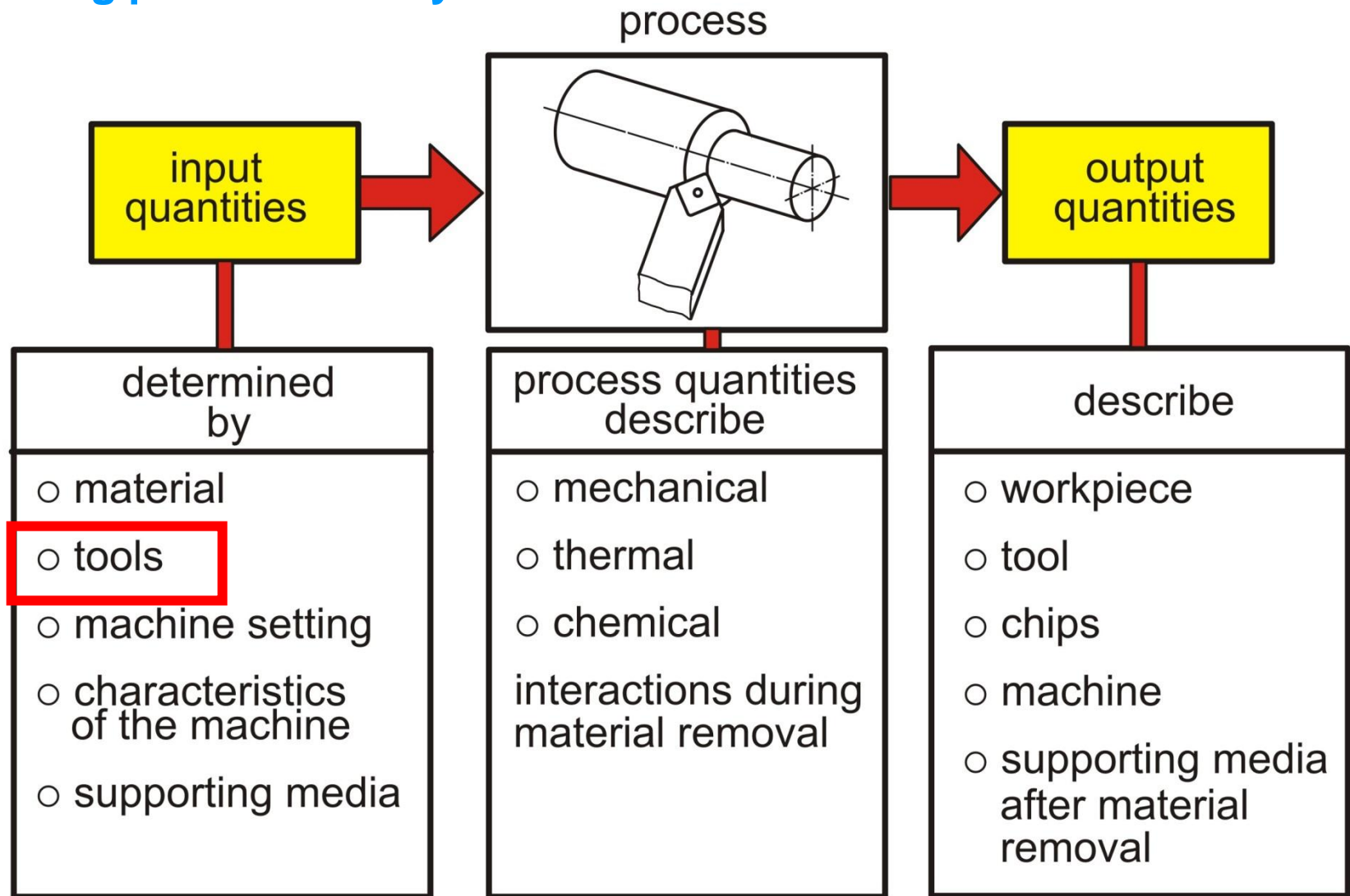
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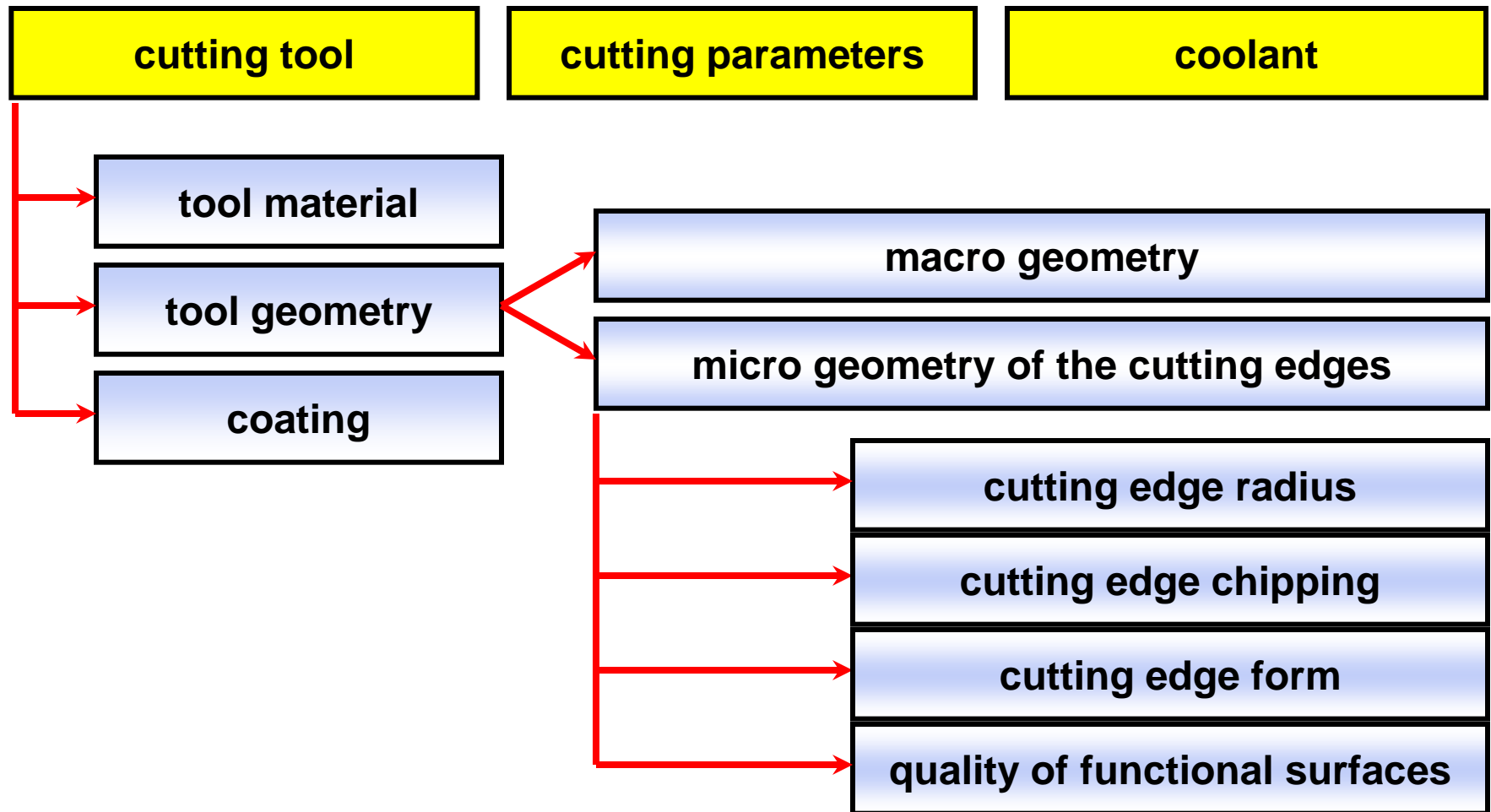
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- Introduction
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Cutting process as a system



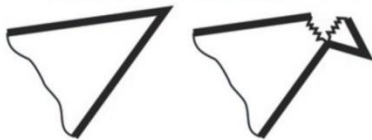
Cutting tool properties



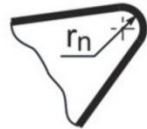
Quality characteristics of a helical drill

radius of the cutting edge

sharp cutting edge



rounded cutting edge



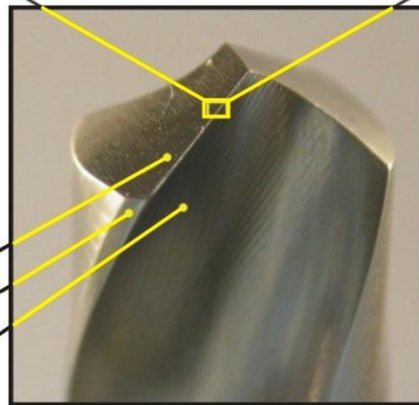
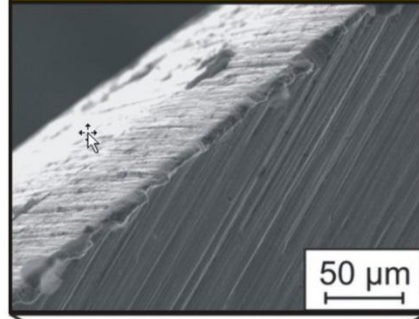
quality of the tool surfaces

flank face

margin/land

rake face (chip space)

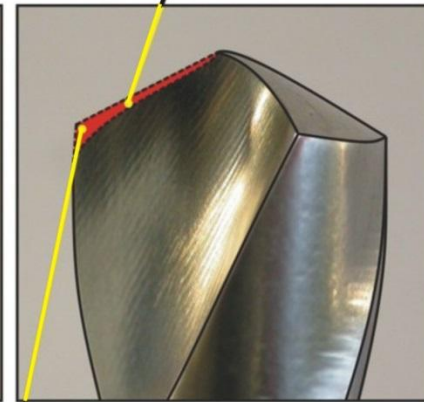
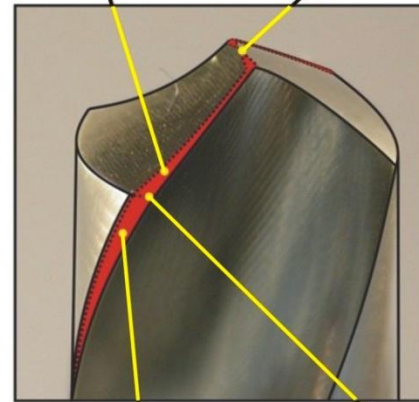
chipping of the cutting edge



width of flank wear land

wear of chisel edge

crater wear

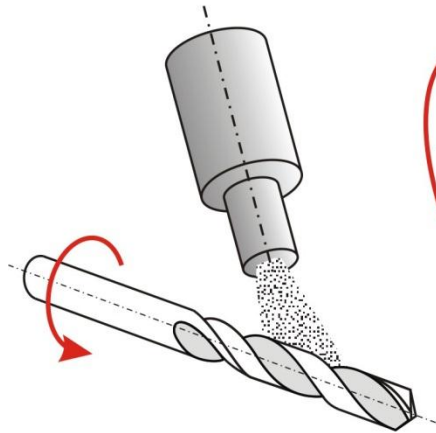


wear of the land (margin)

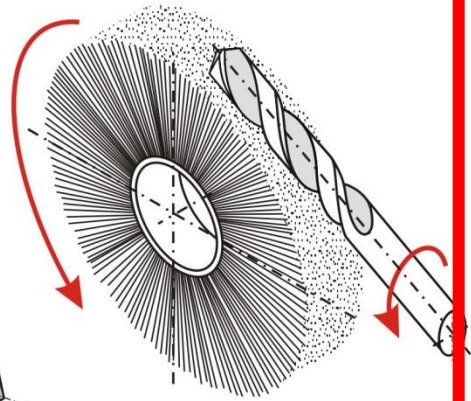
corner wear of cutting edge

Cutting edge preparation methods

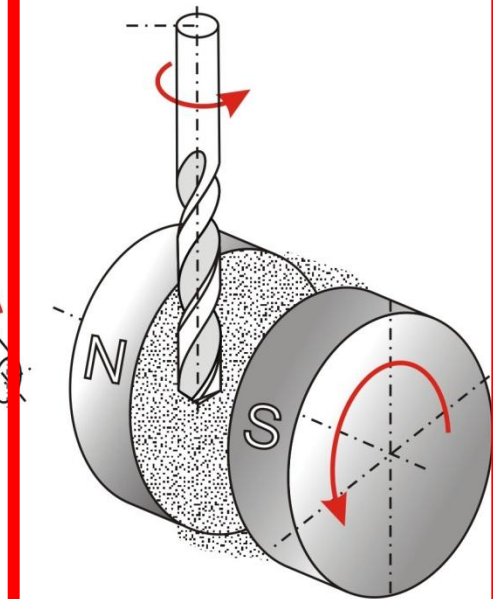
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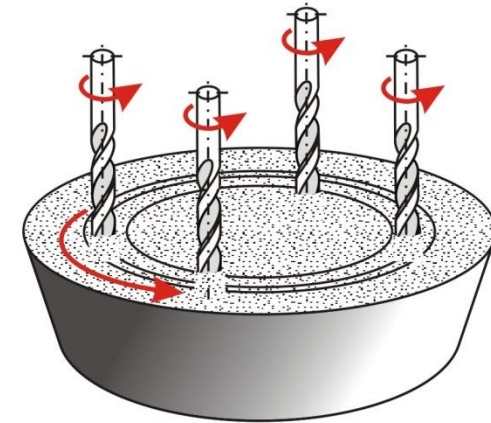
brushing



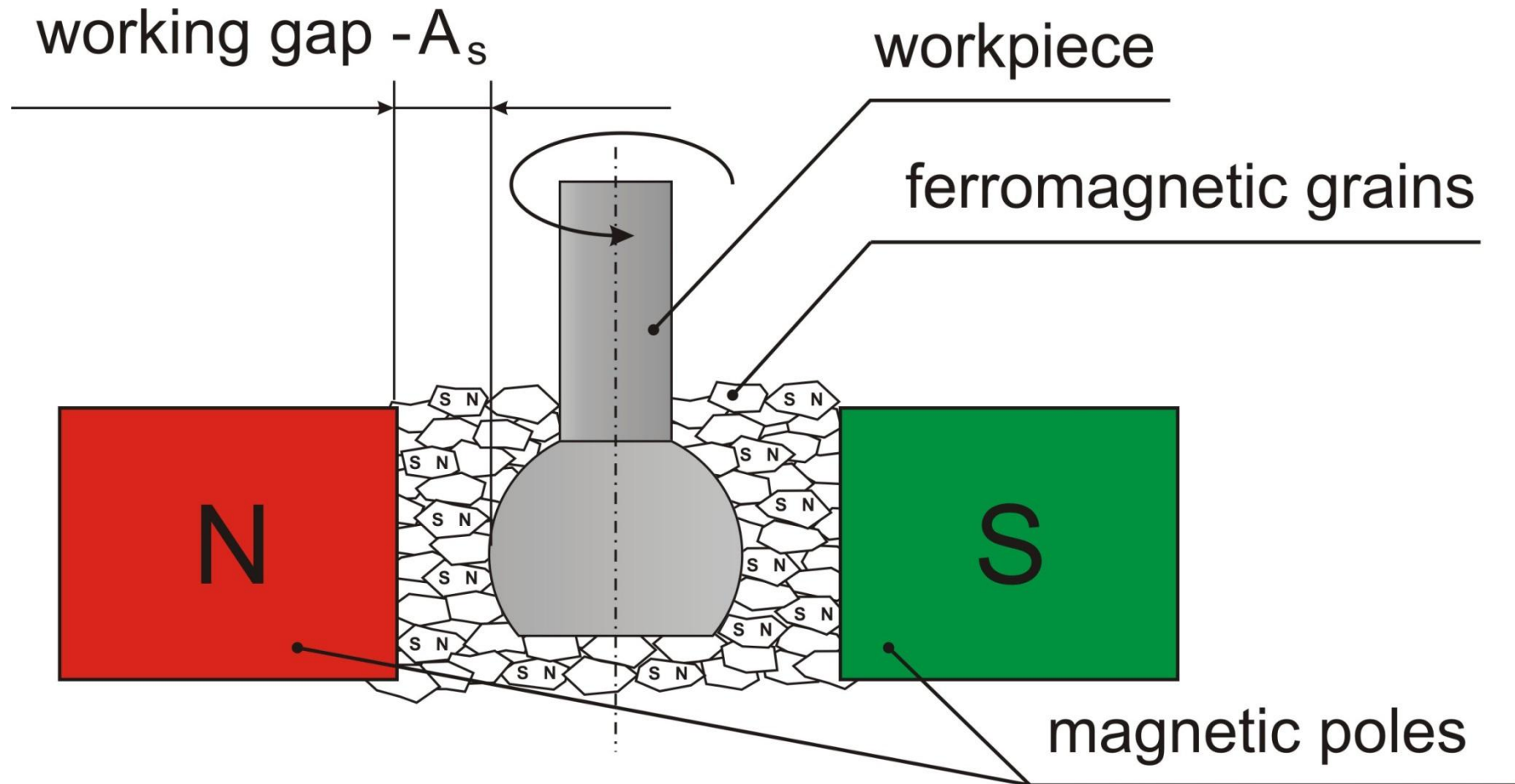
magneto-abrasive
machining



immersed
tumbling/
drag finishing



Basic principle of magneto-abrasive machining



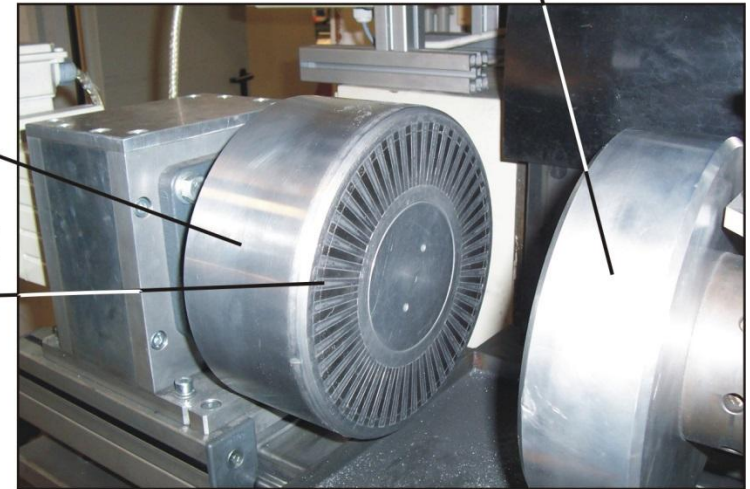
Commercial magneto-finishing system



working head

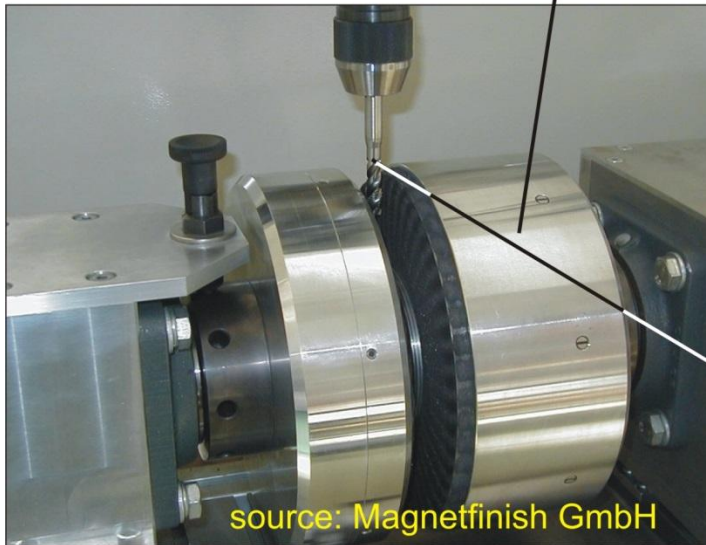
permanent magnets

counter head

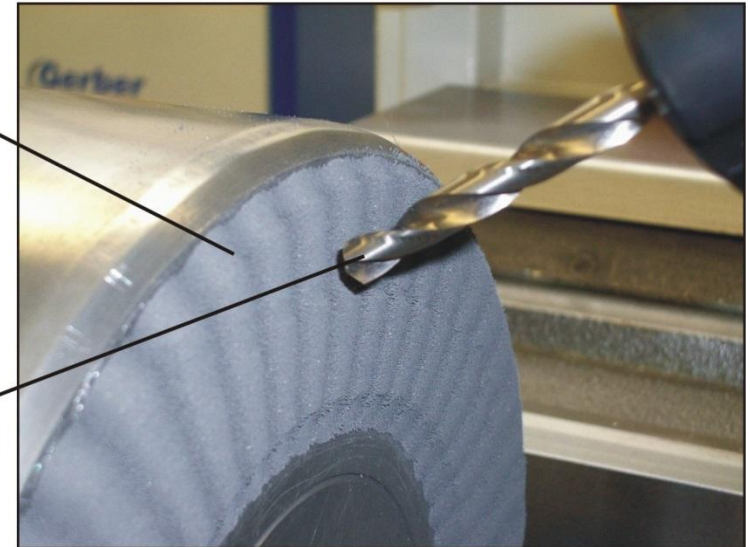


magneto-abrasive grains

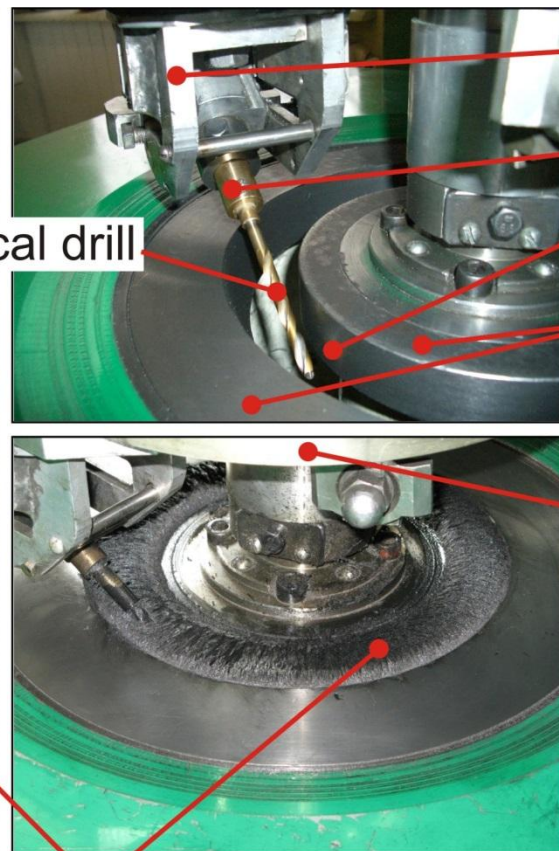
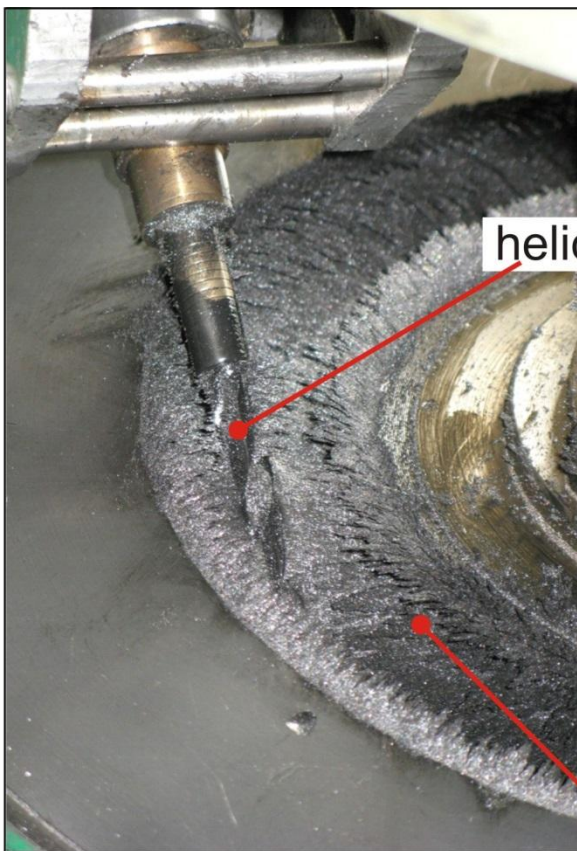
helical drill (workpiece)



source: Magnetfinish GmbH



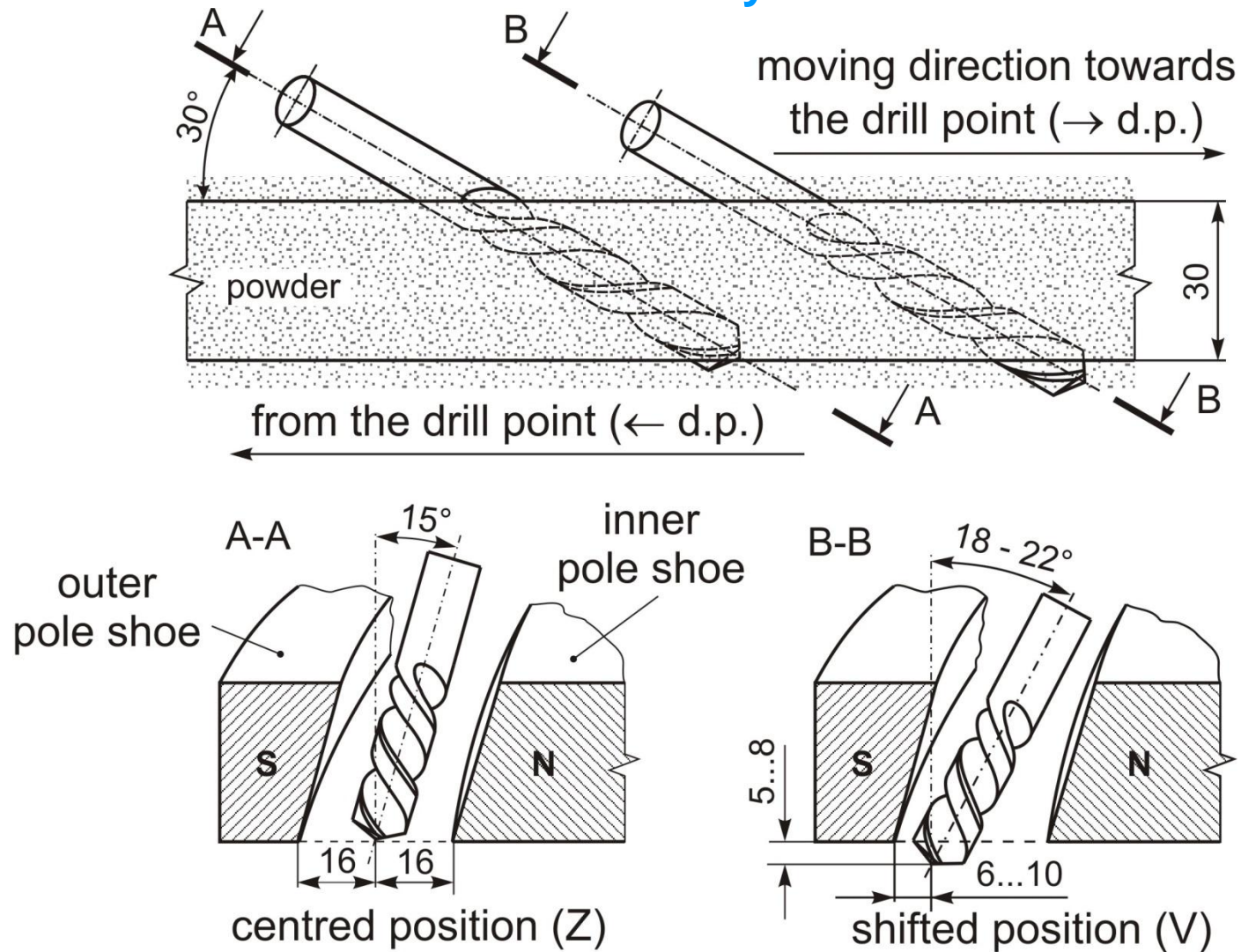
Test system for magneto-abrasive machining with a ring-shaped configuration



- rotatable fixture
- tool spindle
- working zone
- coaxial ring-shaped pole shoes
- base plate

magneto-abrasive powder

Orientation of the drill in the MAM-system

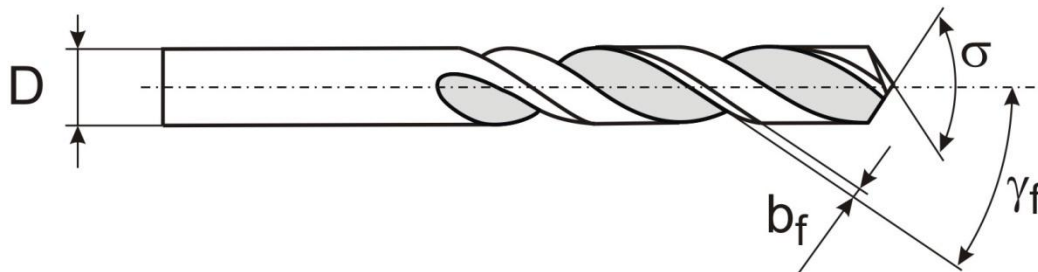


Drill properties

twist drill type	N (normal)
diameter D	6.8 mm
number of cutting edges	2
drill-point angle σ	118°
side rake angle γ_f	30°
diminution	standard
land width b_f	0.7 mm

material composition HSS

C	0.828
Si	0.312
Mn	0.283
P	0.001
Cr	3.86
Mo	4.56
W	5.70
V	1.64

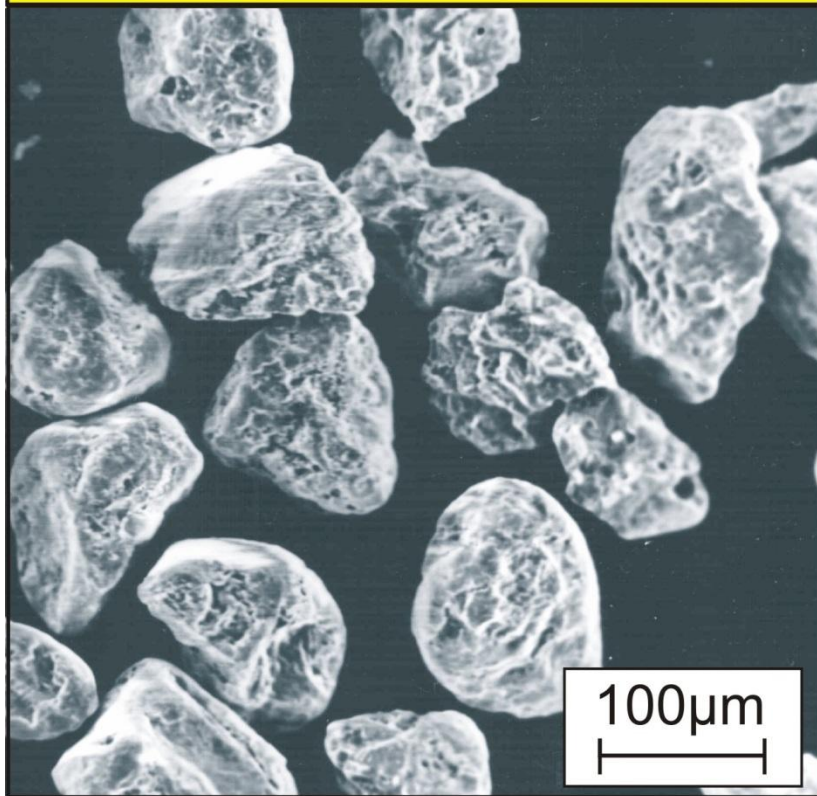


Varied process parameters

drill group	machining time [s]		drill position	powder type/ particle size [μm]
	→ d.p.	← d.p.		
1	untreated drills			
2	4x15	4x30	Z	P1 (splintered) 160/100
3	4x15	4x15		
4	-	4x15		
5	4x10	4x20	V	
6	4x15	4x30	Z	P2 (spherical) 315/200
7	4x10	4x20	V	
8	4x15	4x15	Z	powder P2 \cong 95% mixture P1 \cong 5%
9	-	4x15		

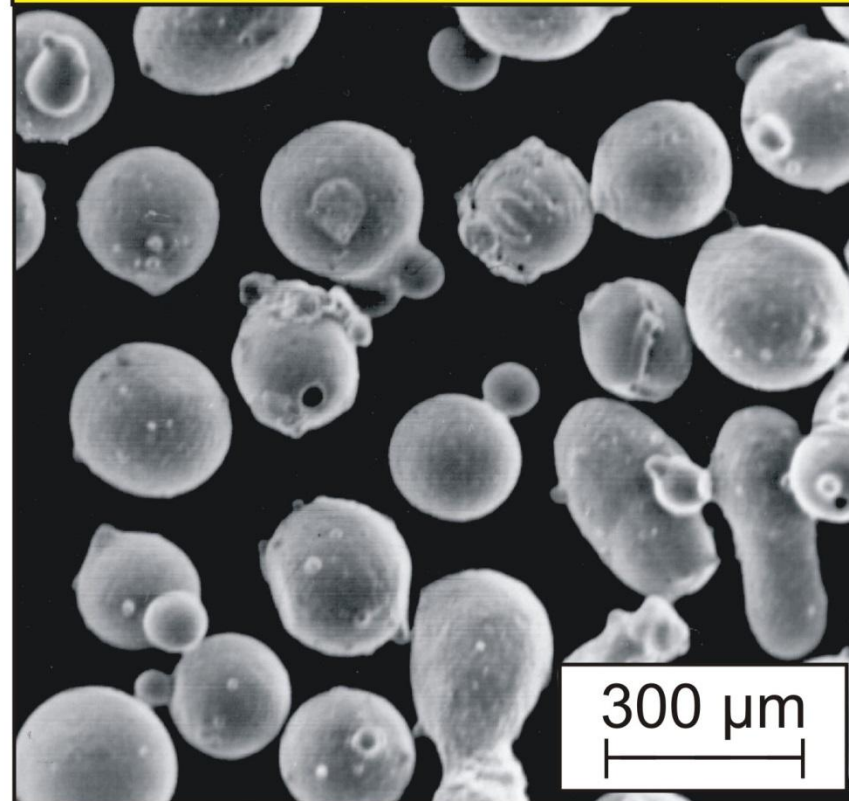
Powder characteristics 1

powder P1 (splintered)



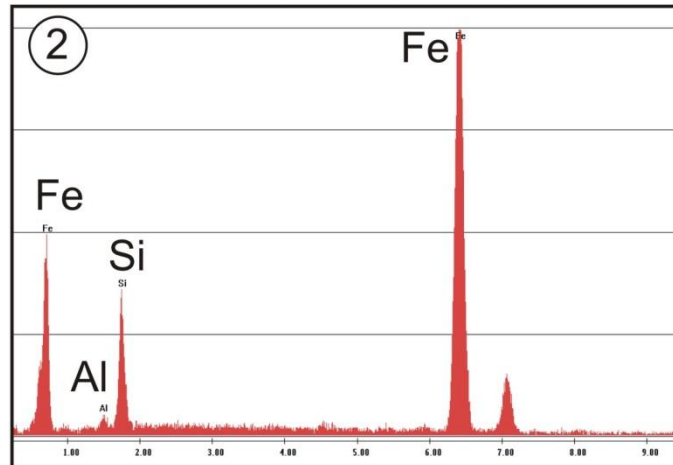
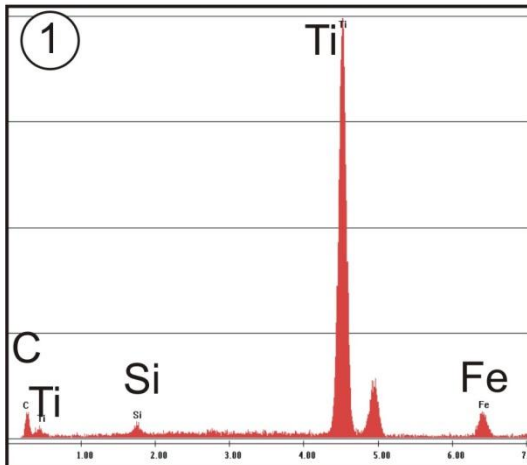
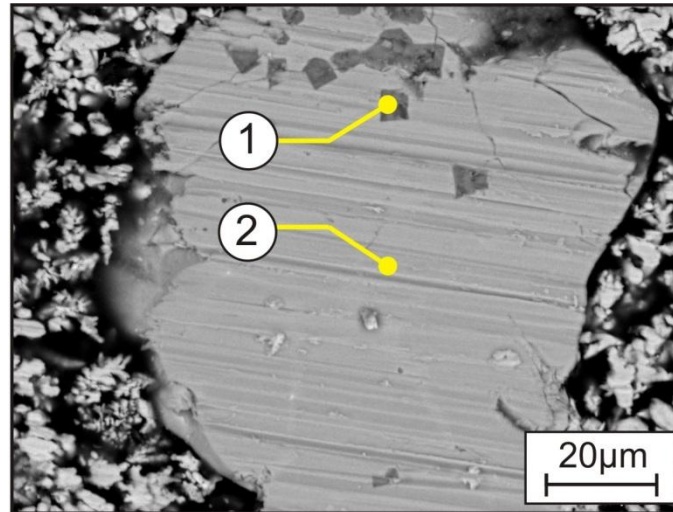
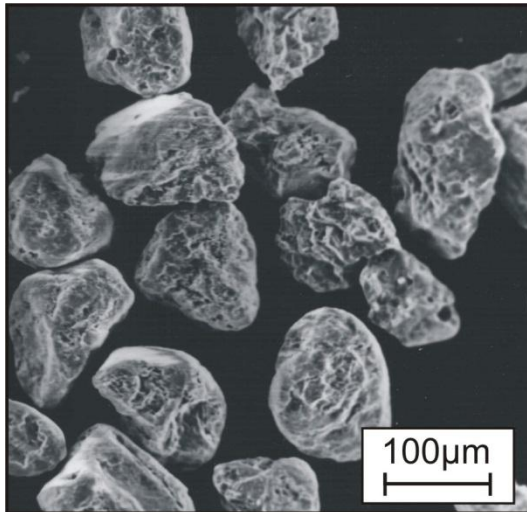
grain size: 160/100 μm

powder P2 (spherical)



grain size: 315/200 μm

Powder characteristics 2



powder P1
(splintered)

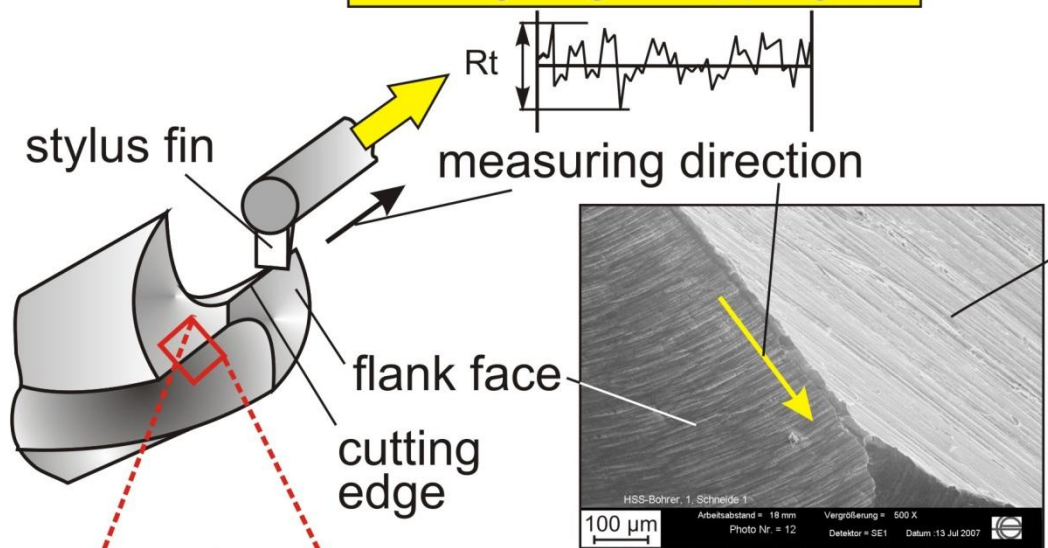
grain size: 160/100 μm

“pseudo alloy”
resulting from
spray melting

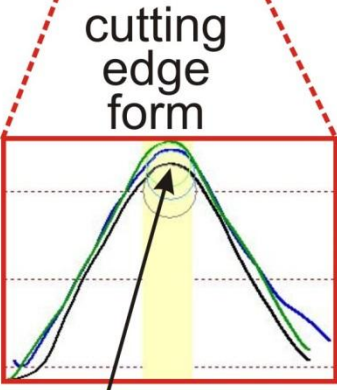
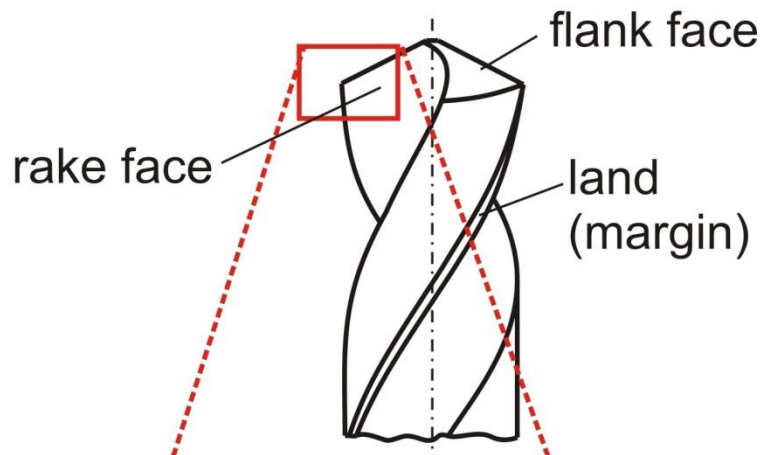
ferromagnetic matrix
Fe-Si (②) with
embedded carbide
abrasive particles
TiC (①)

Geometry measurements at the drill

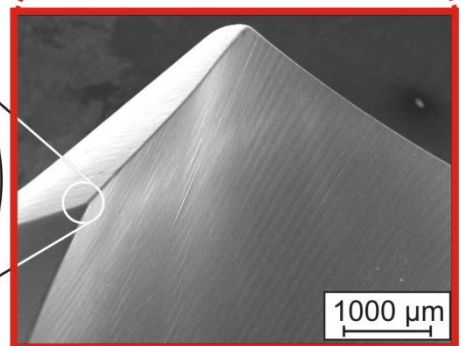
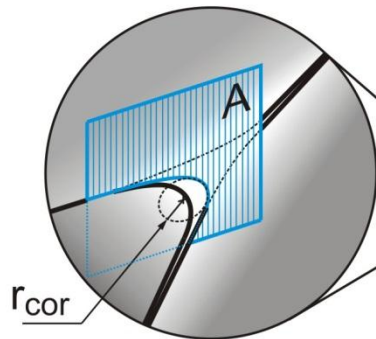
cutting edge chipping R_t



surface roughness R_z



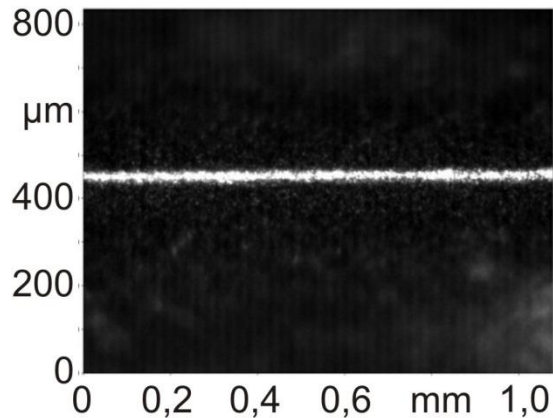
cutting edge radius r_n



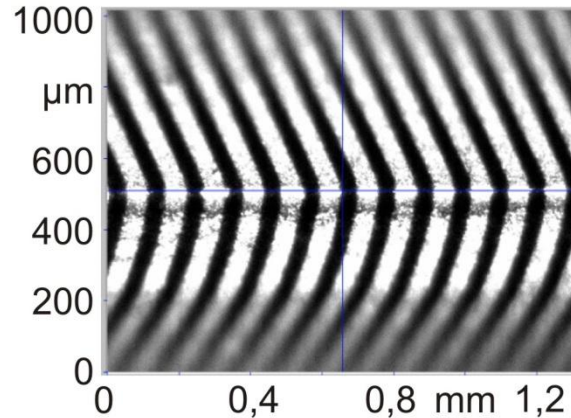
corner edge roundness r_{cor}

Optical cutting edge measurement

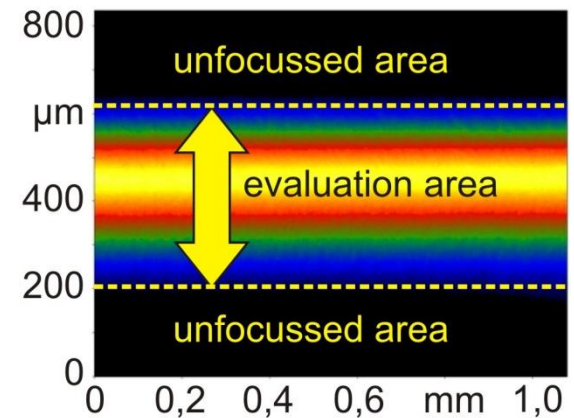
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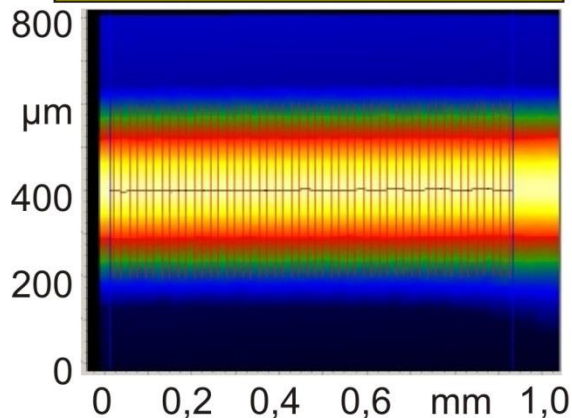
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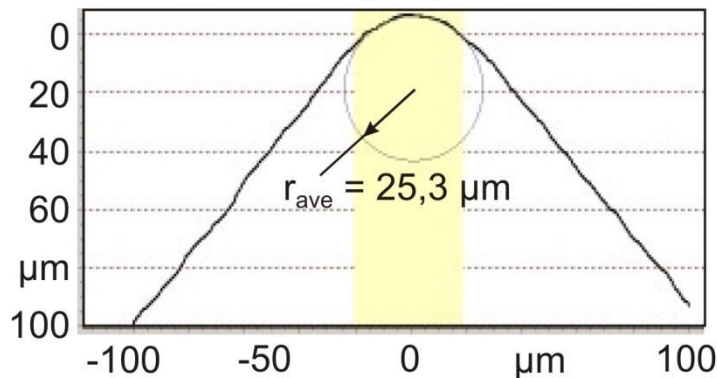
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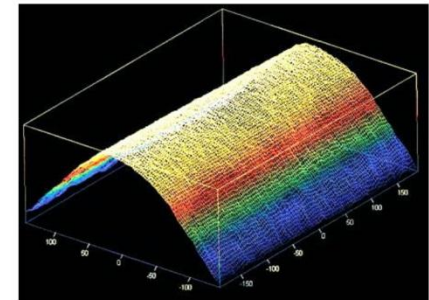
height image with inserted cutting lines



single cutting line presentation with radius determination



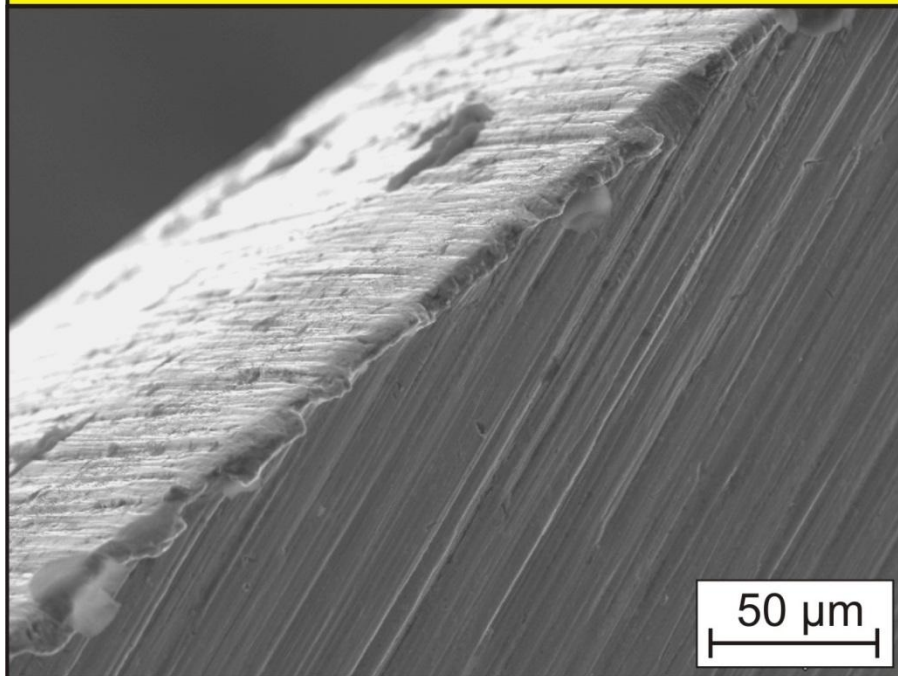
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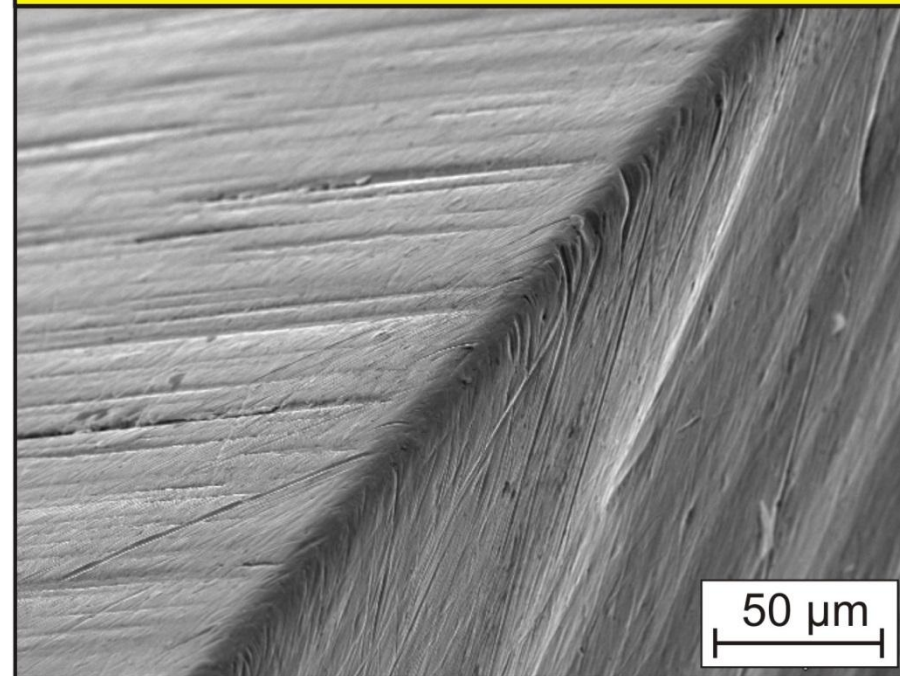
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Cutting edge of a helical drill before and after MAM

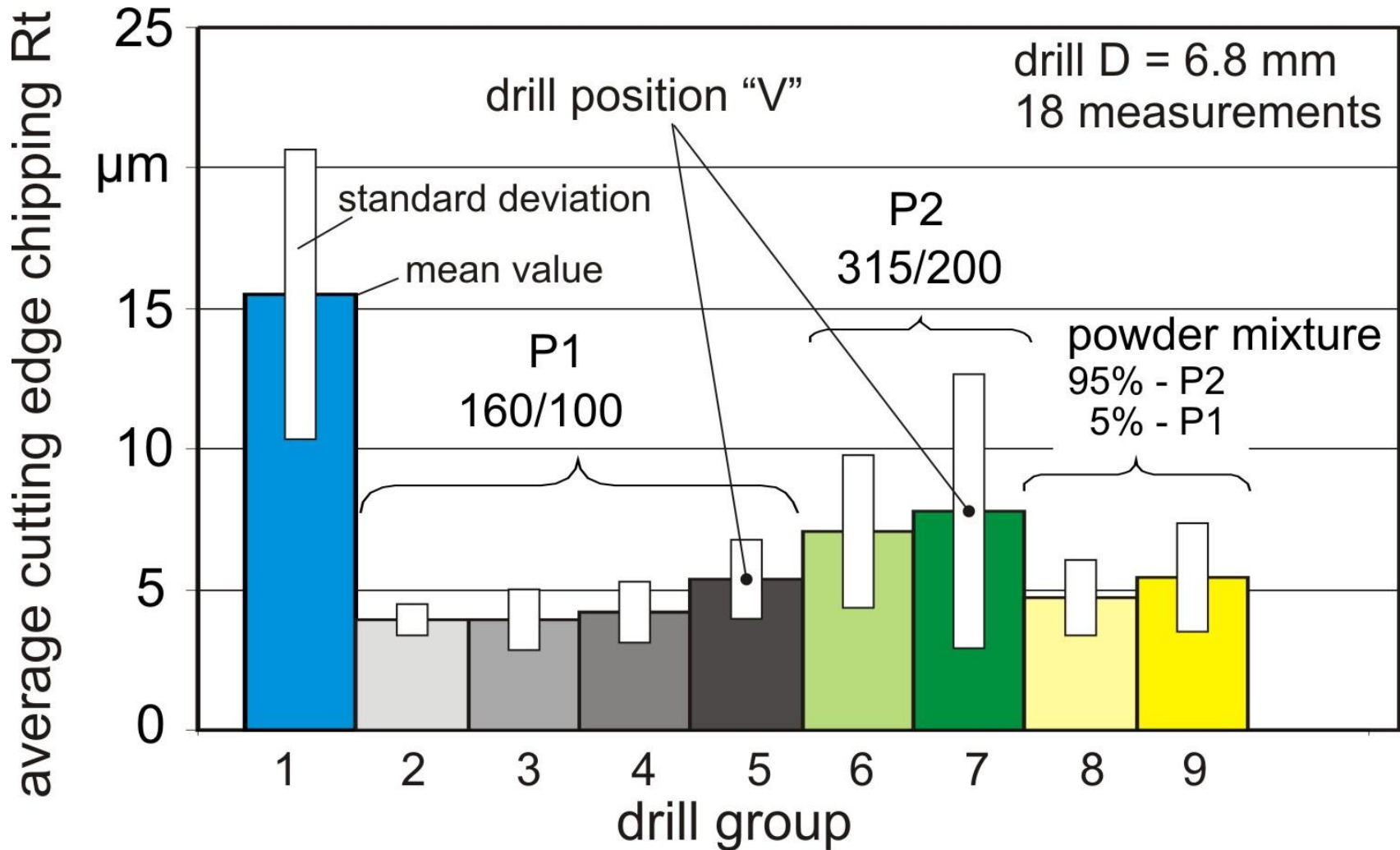
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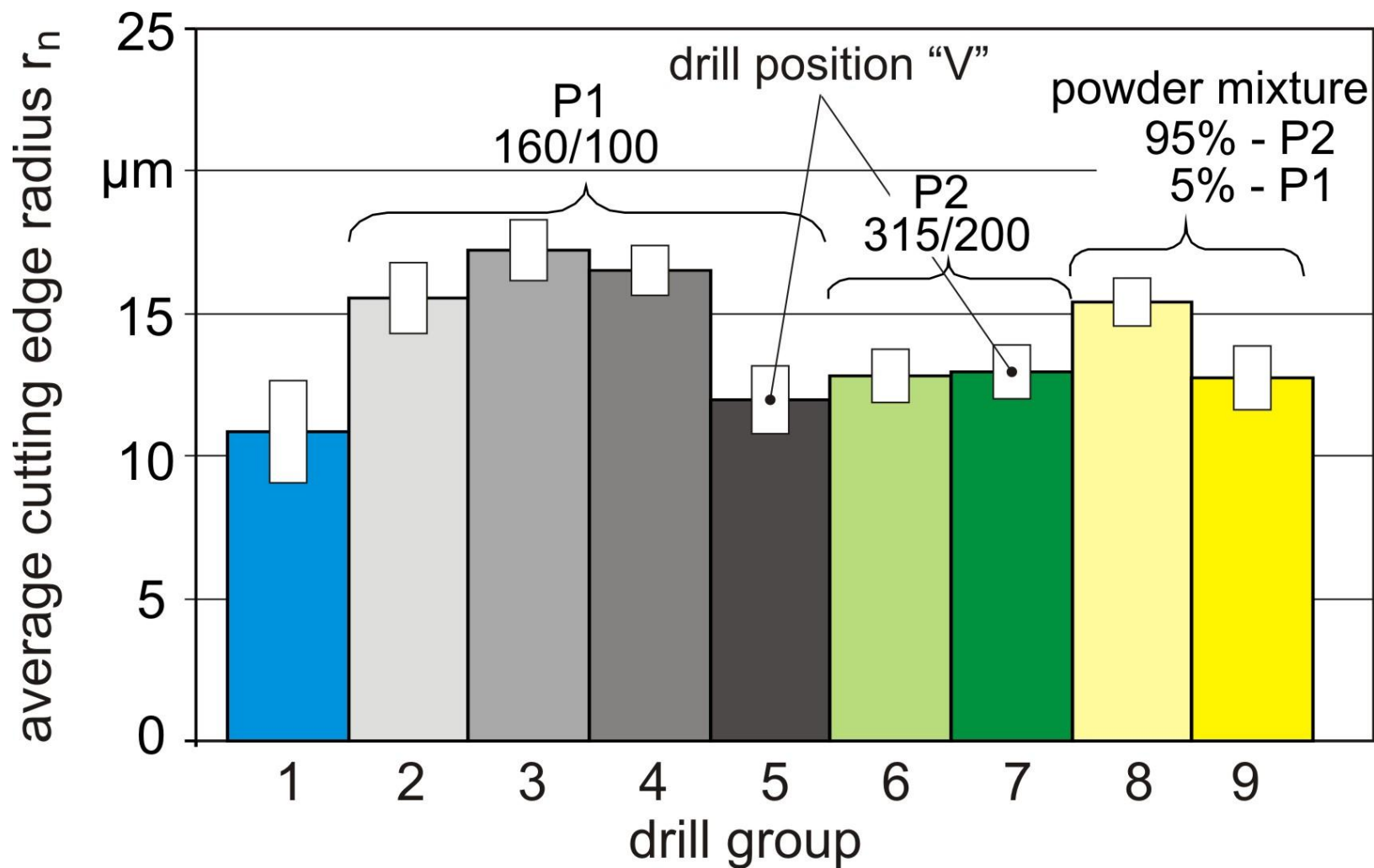
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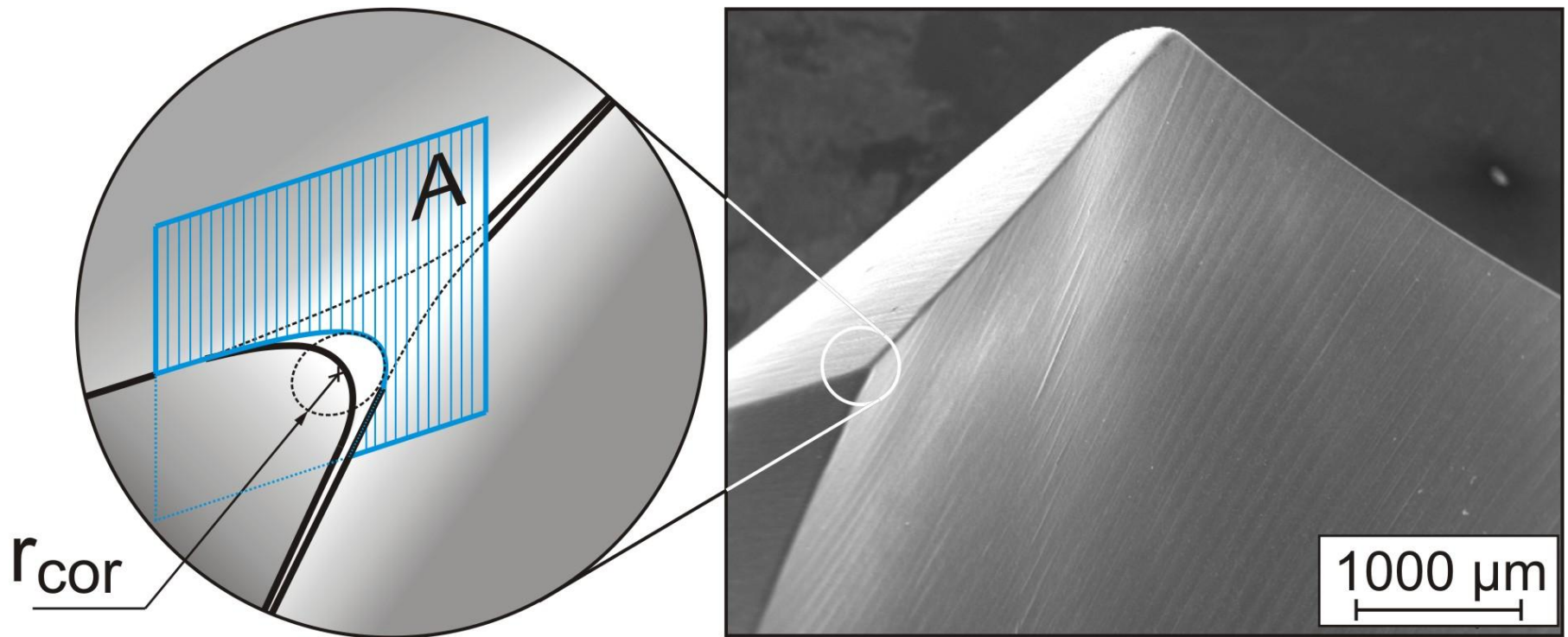
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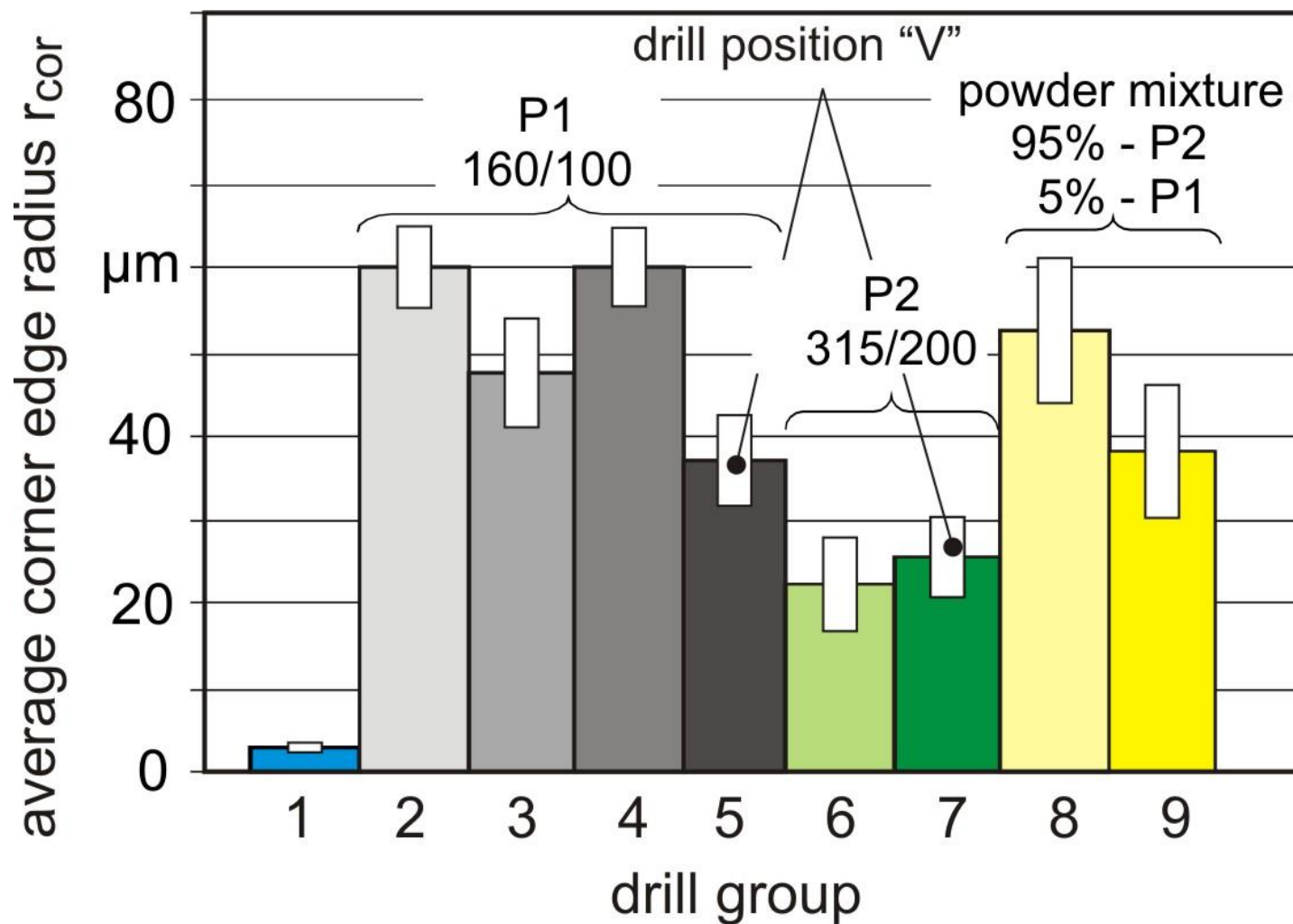
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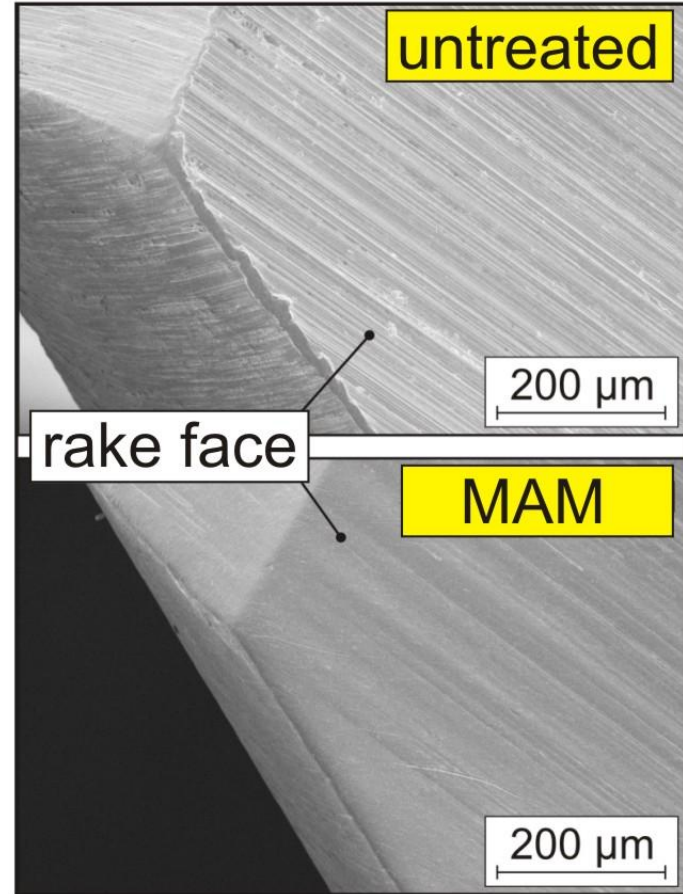
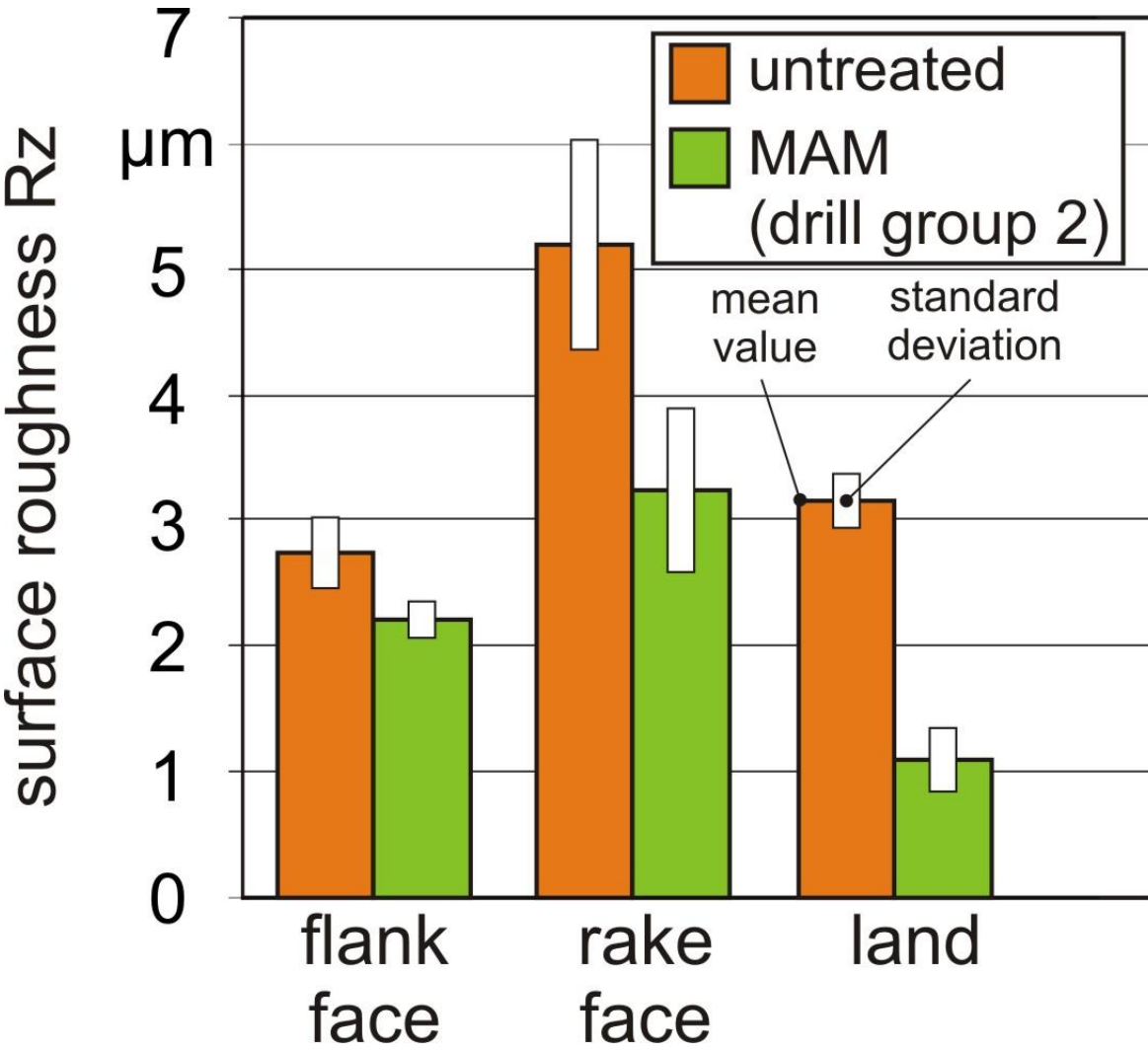
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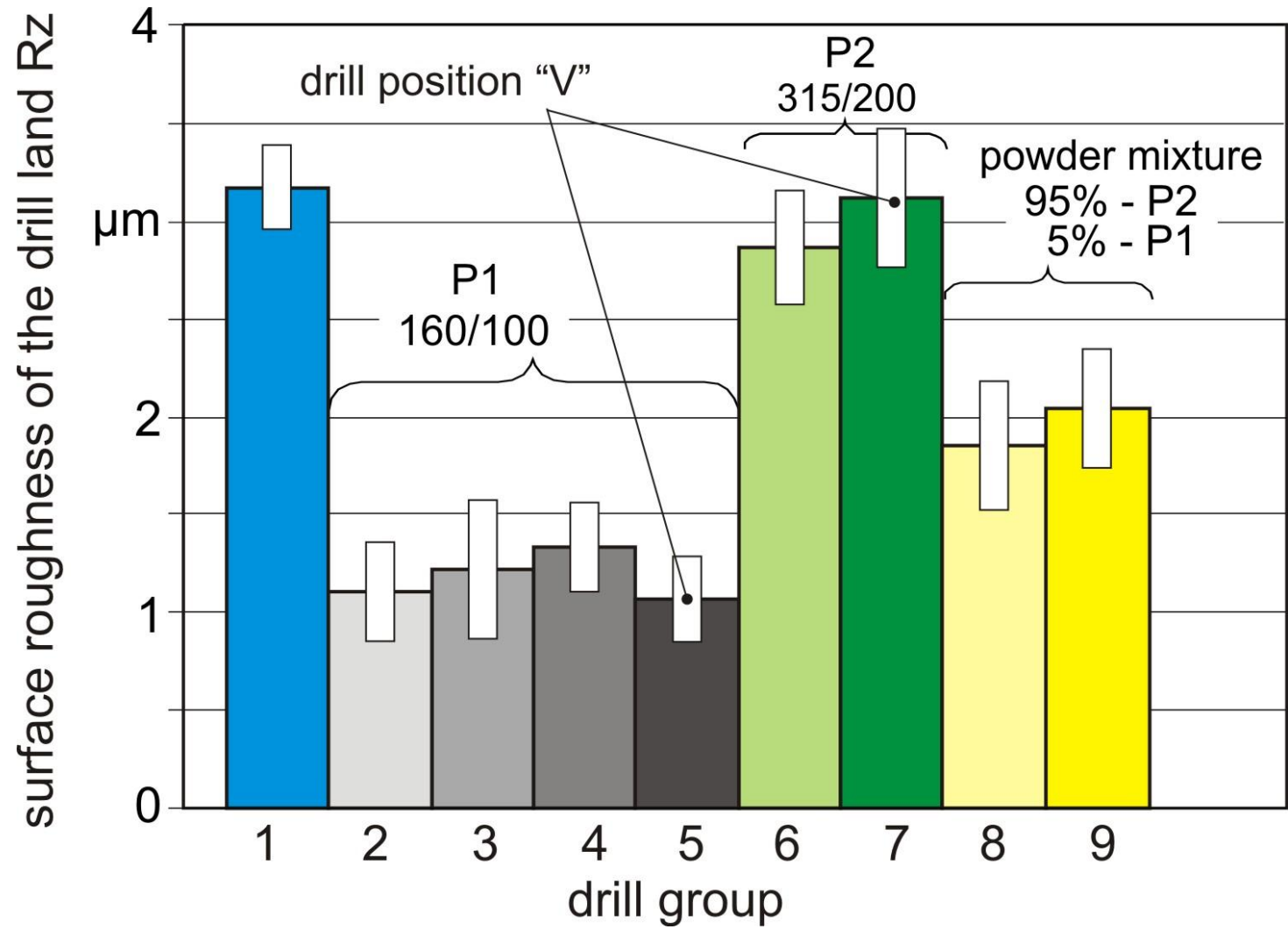
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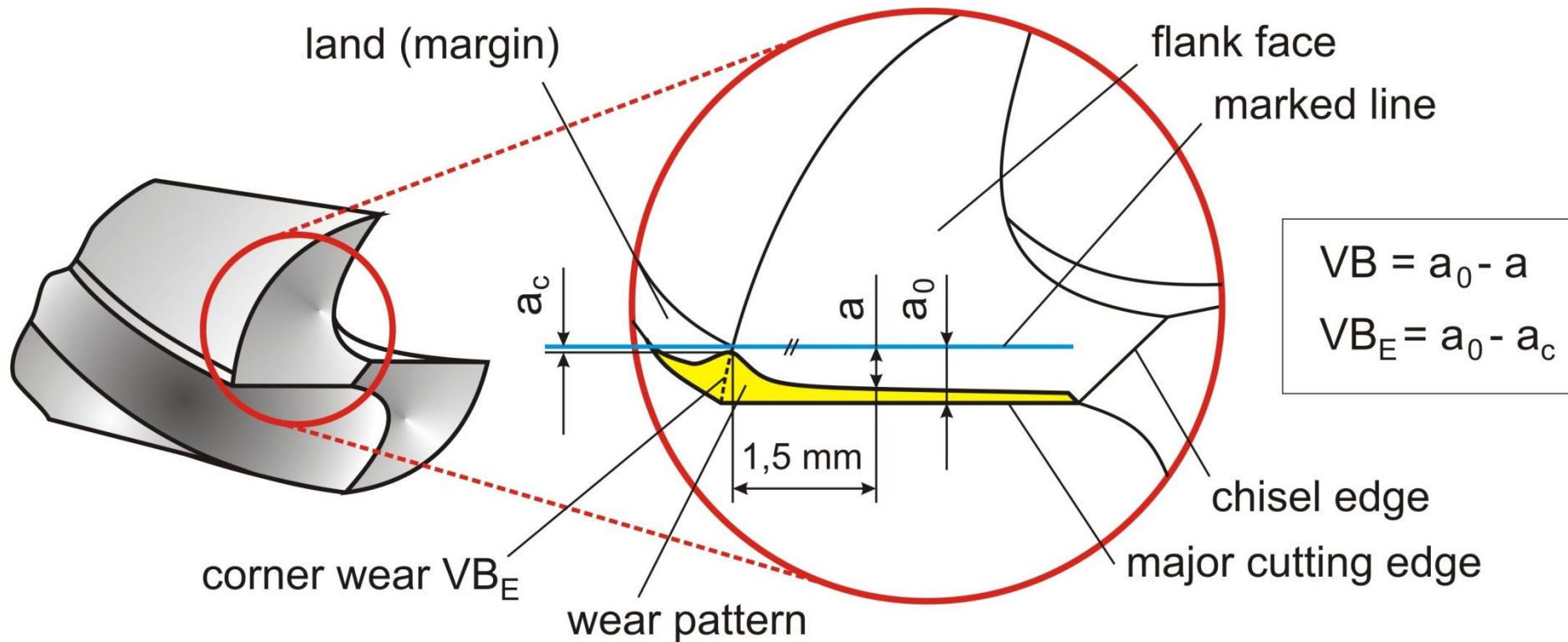
Influence of MAM on drill surface roughness



Drill land roughness for different drill groups

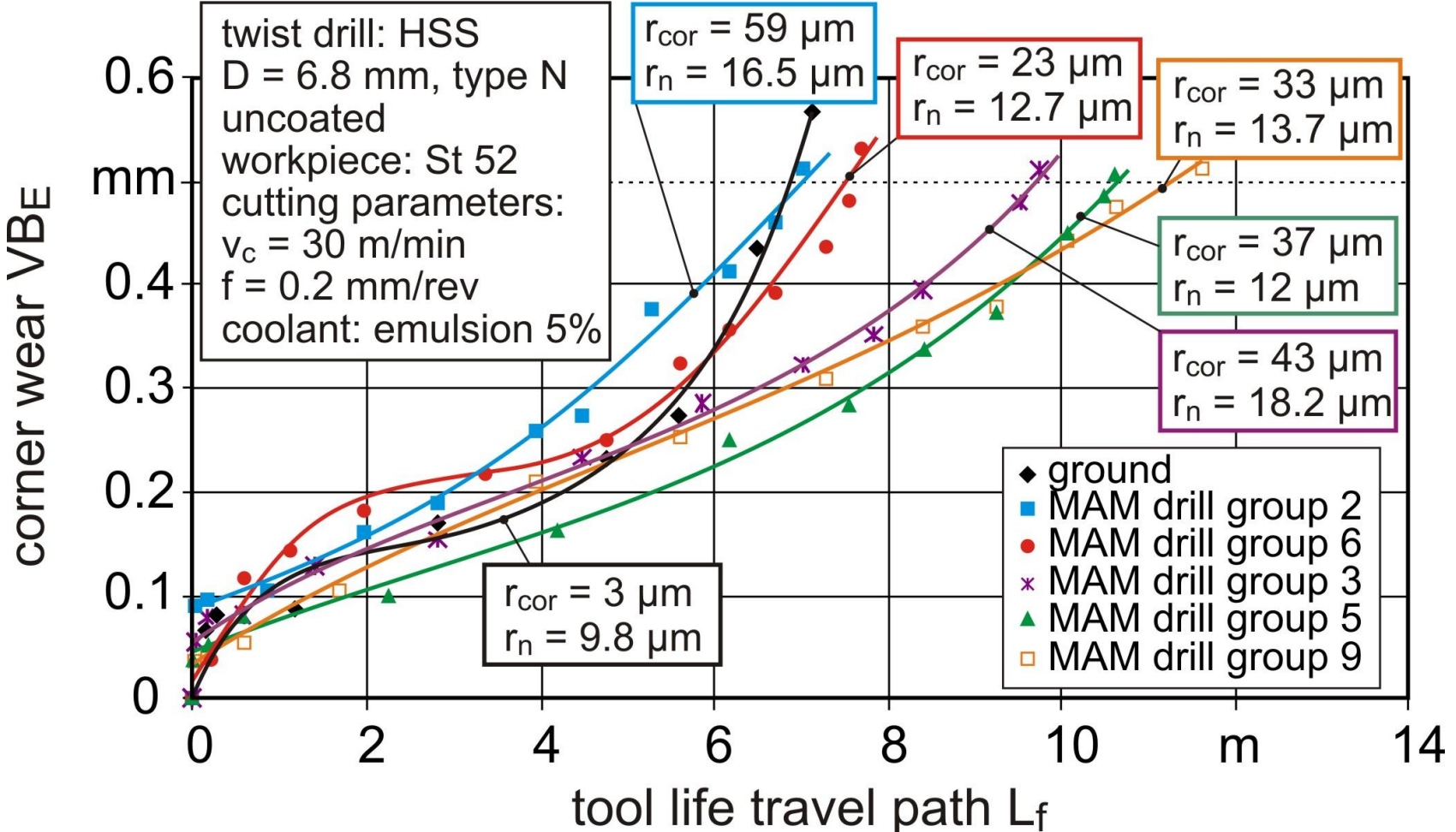


Drill wear measurement

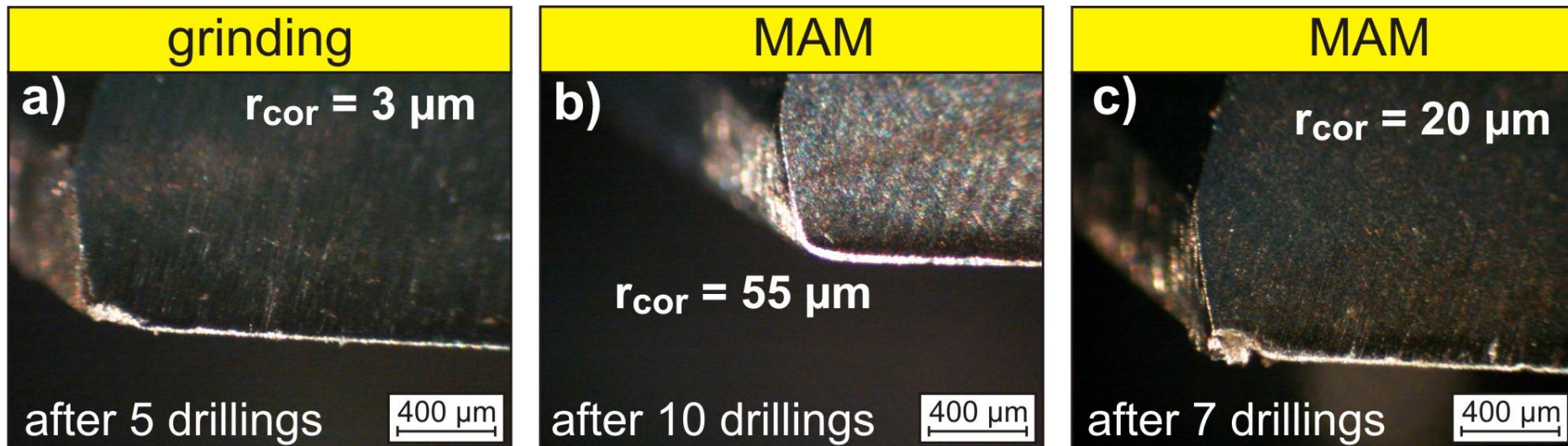


a_0 - distance between marked line and cutting edge in unworn condition

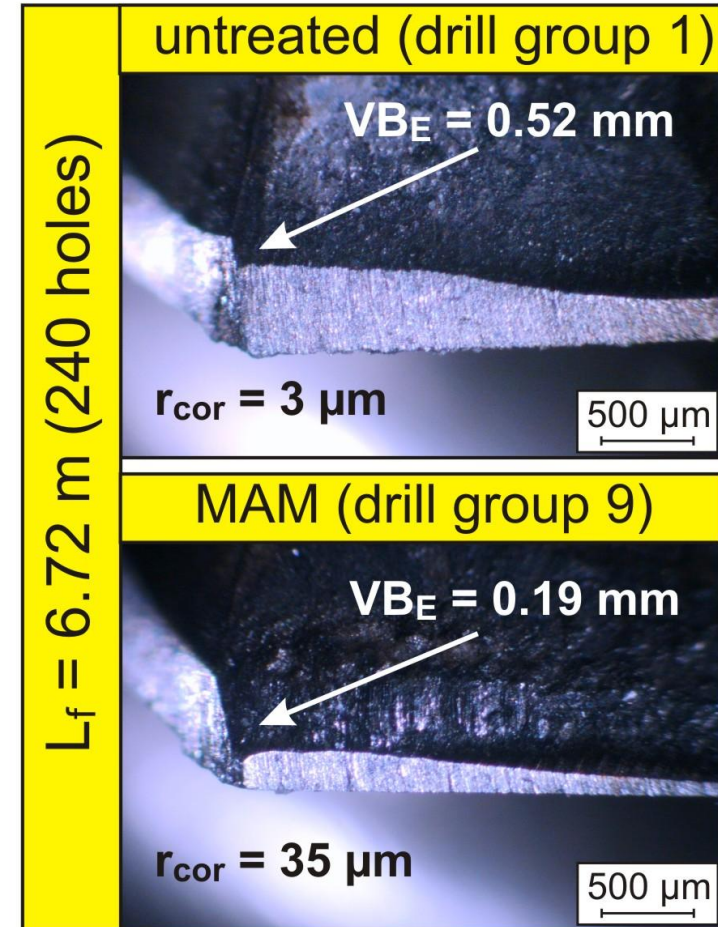
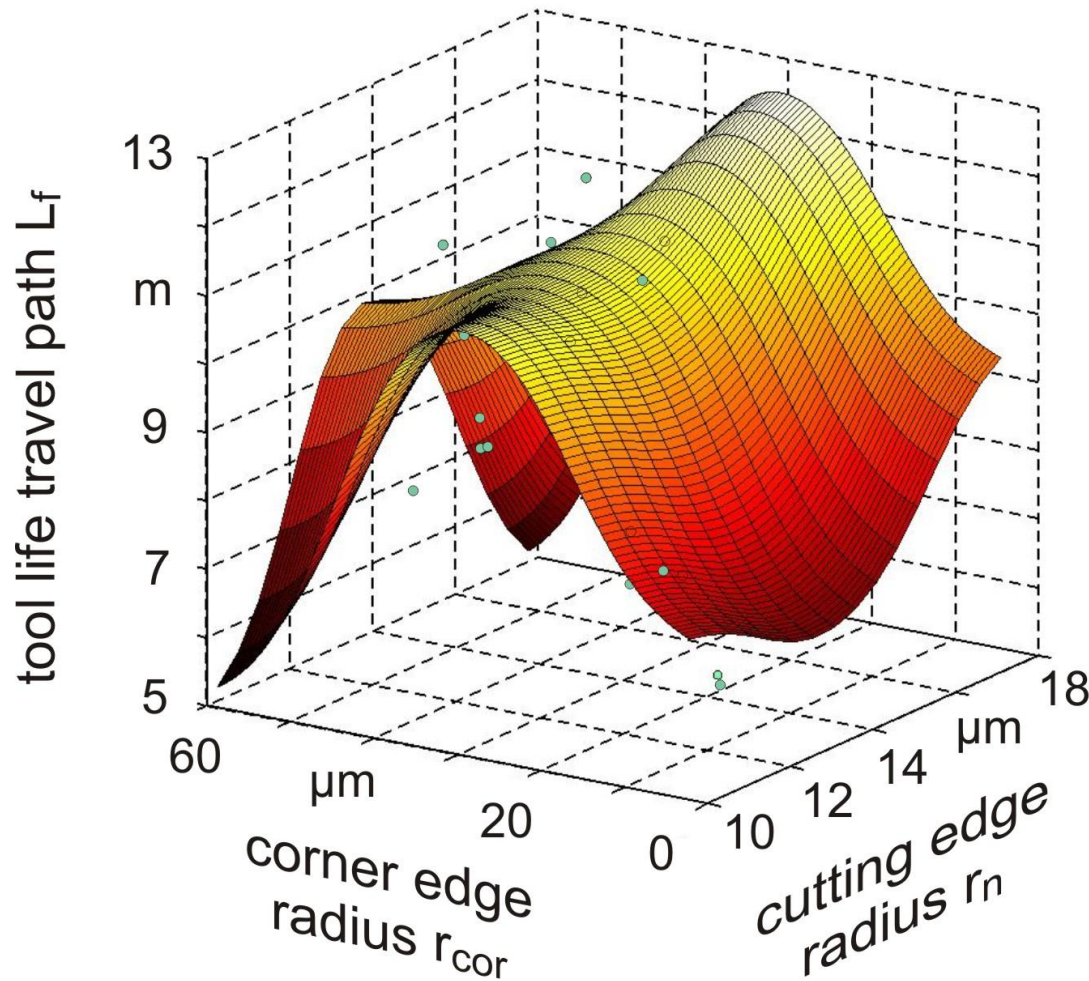
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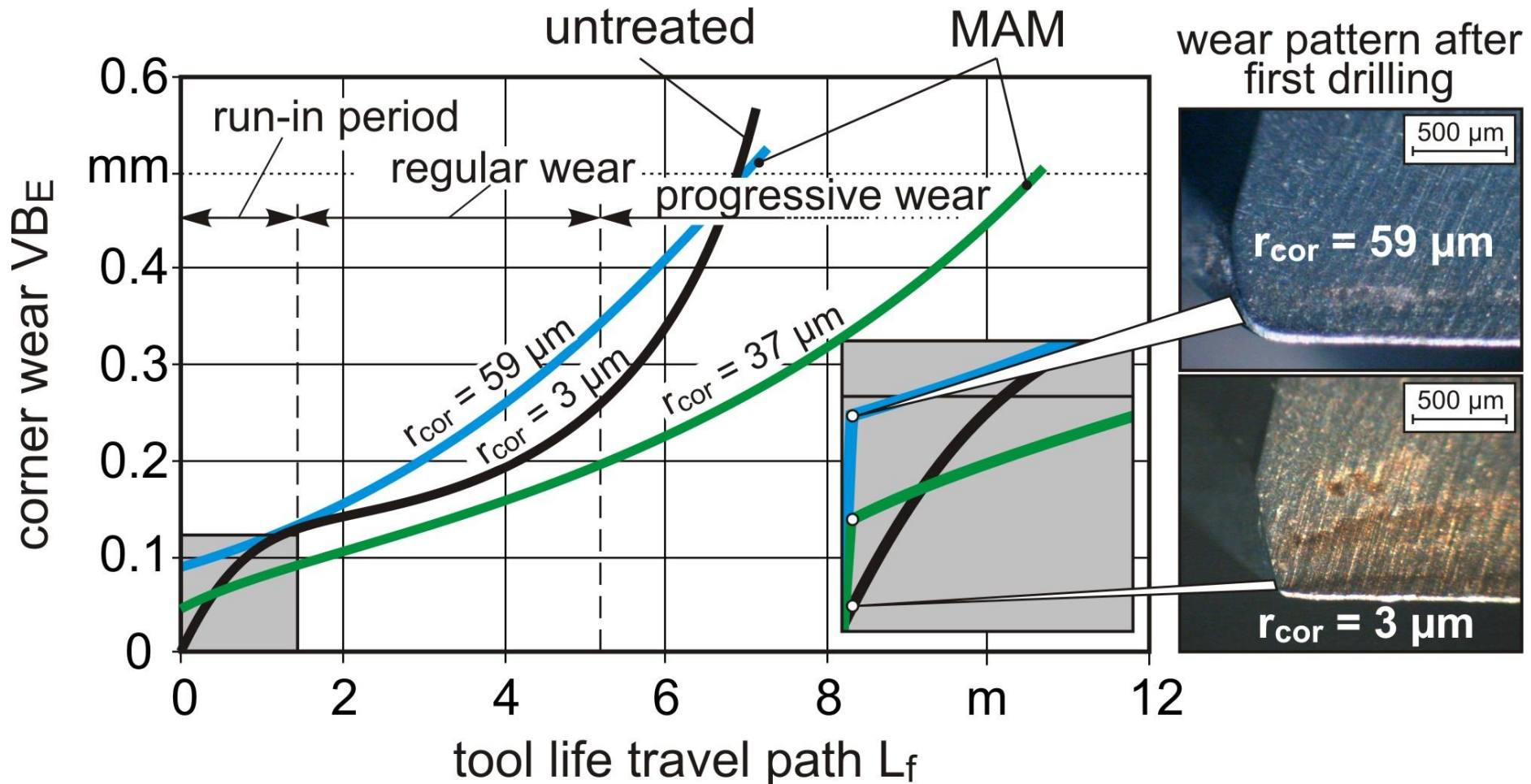
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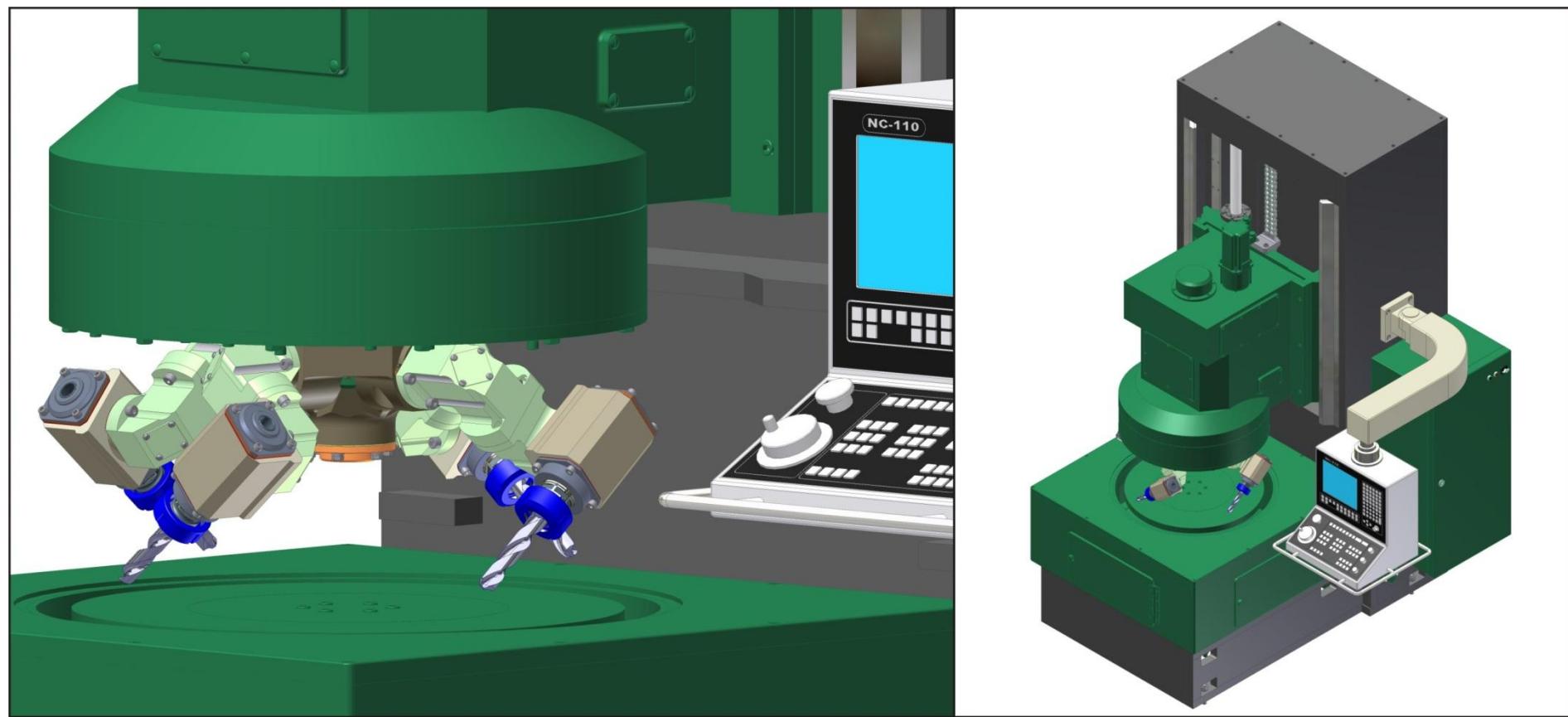
Approximation of experimentally determined tool life



Avoidance of the run-in period of drill wear by means of MAM



Concept of a new MAM system



Conclusion

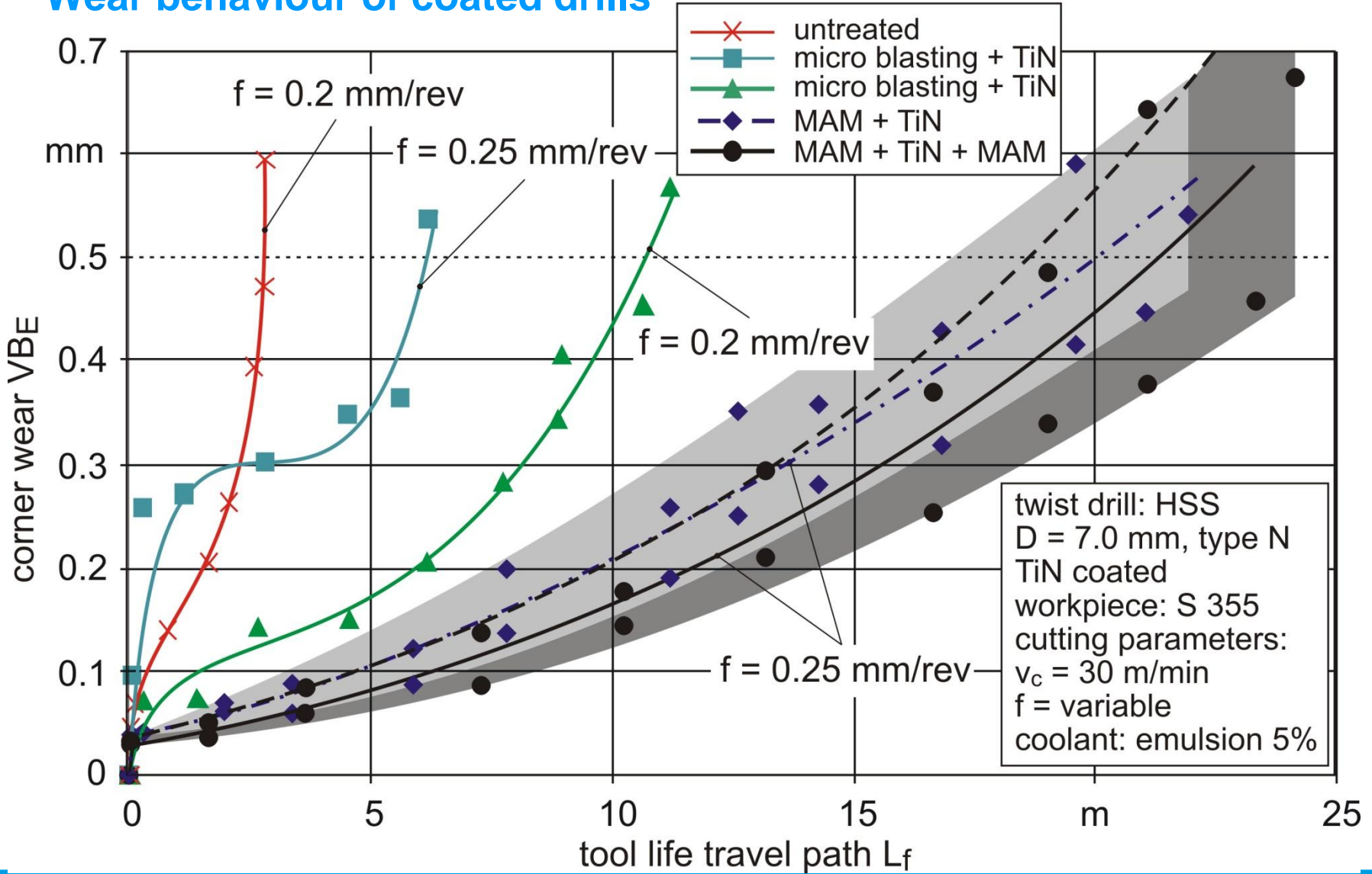
- **improvement of the quality of drill cutting edges and all surfaces**
- **reproducible generation of adapted cutting edge micro geometries**
- **realisation of cutting edge micro structuring and surface improvement in one process step**
- **increase of cutting edge and corner stability**
- **avoidance of the run-in period of drills**
- **increase of tool life of uncoated drills up 87%**
- **(2 times increase of the tool life of coated drills)**



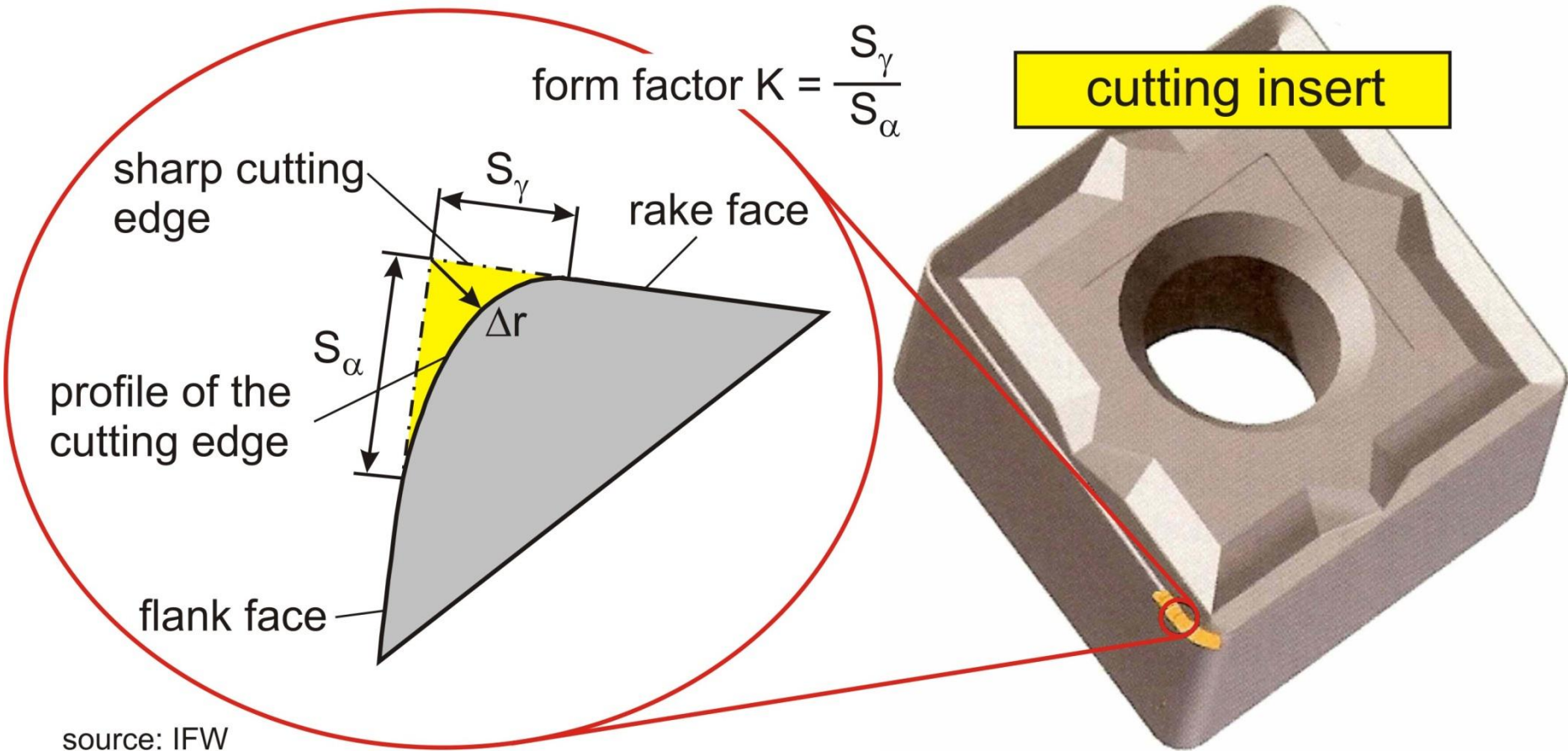
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Wear behaviour of coated drills



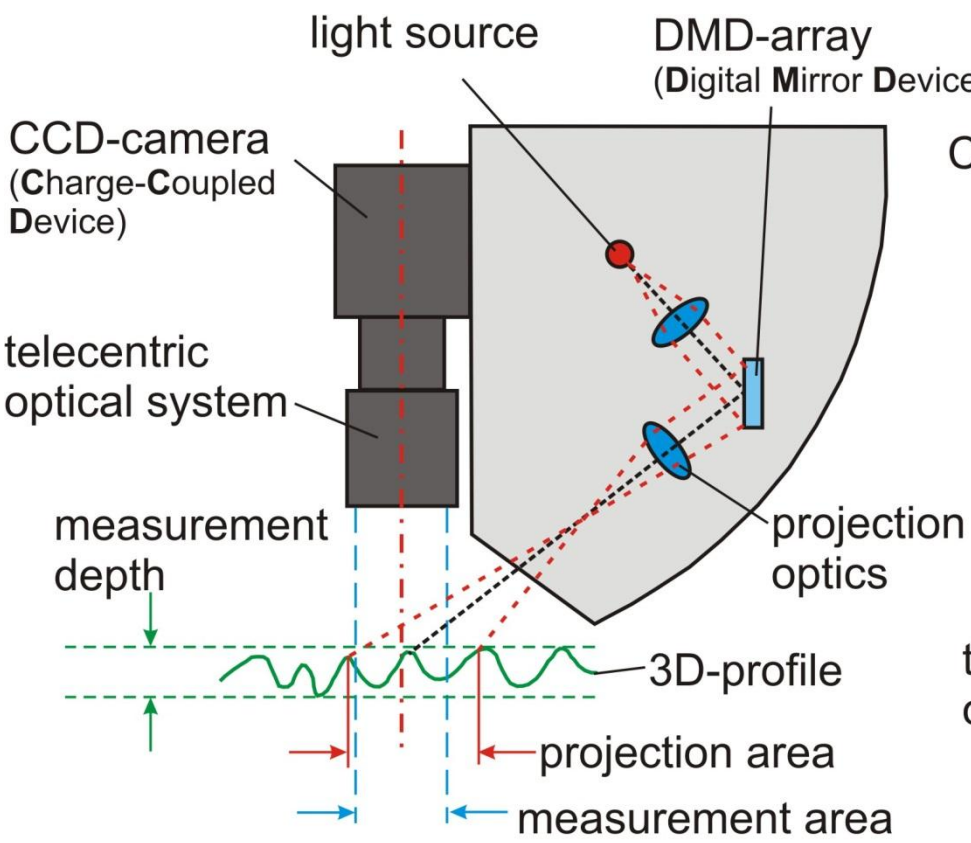
Micro geometry of a cutting edge



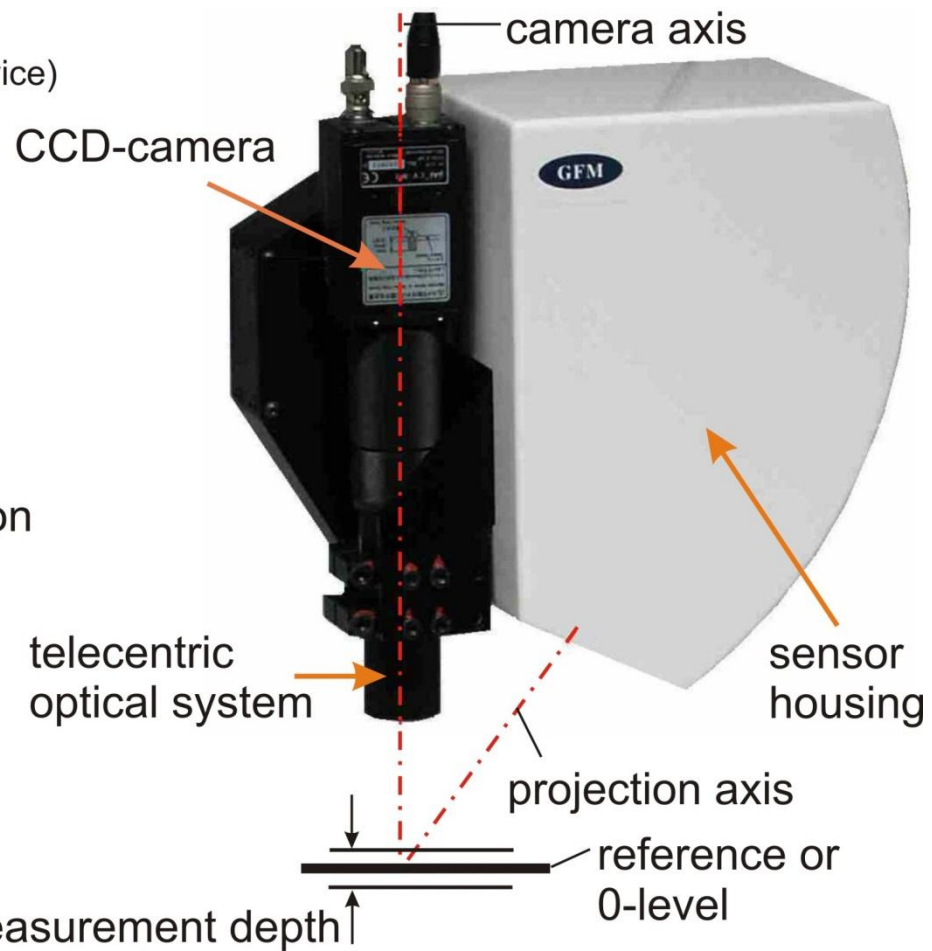
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Principle of fringe projection

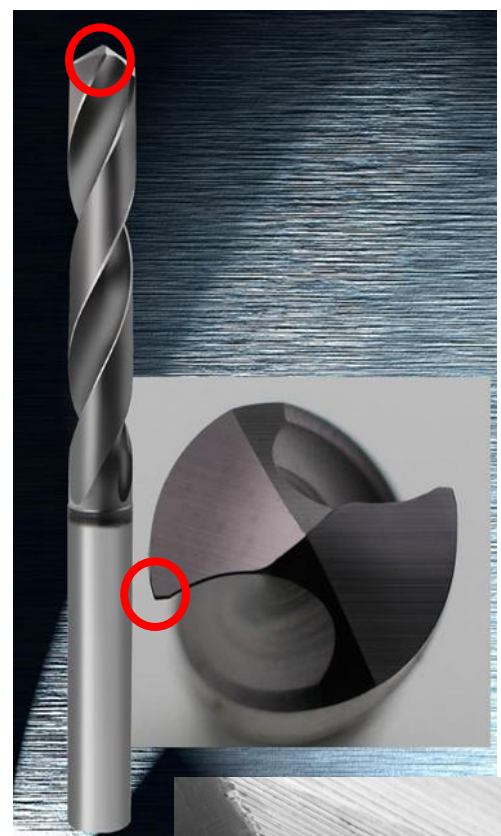


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Influence of Corner Edge Preparation on the Performance of Drills

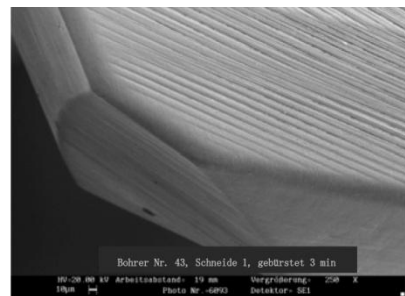
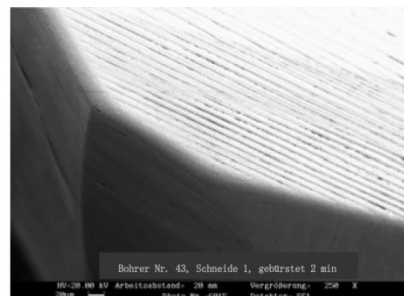
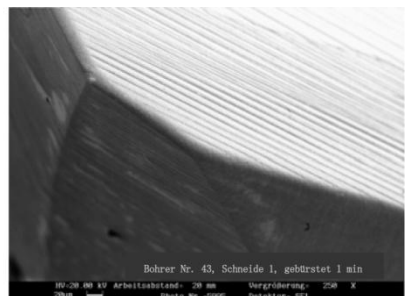
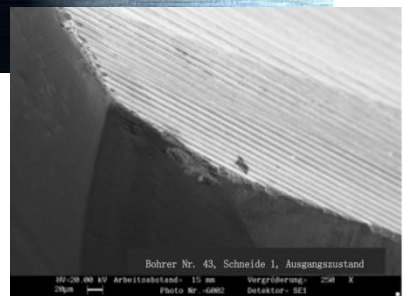
Edge brushing of included driven tools



T1 = 1 min

T2 = 2 min

T3 = 3 min



as ground R = 3 µm

R1 = 11 µm

R2 = 15 µm

R3 = 21 µm

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Influence of edge preparation on the performance of coated inserts

Drag Finishing in polishing machine by special powder

with 2 driven axes

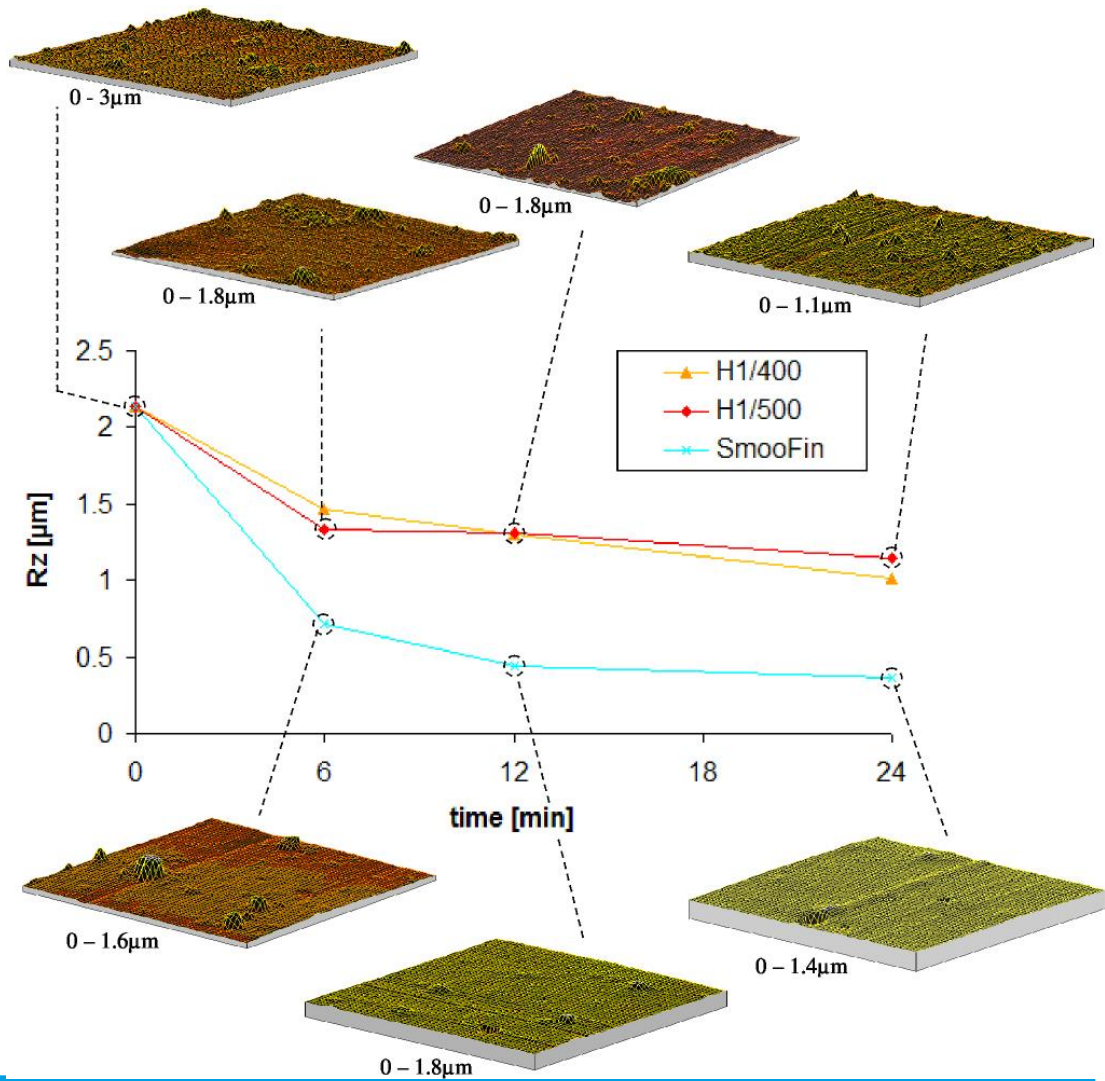
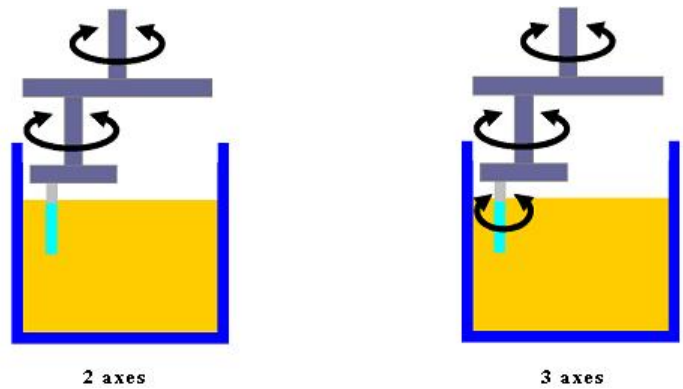


with 3 driven axes



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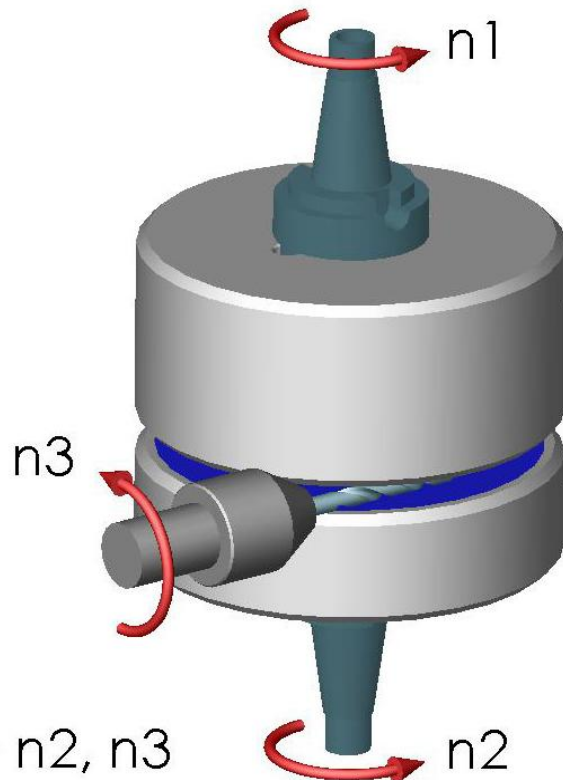
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Edge preparation with magnetic powder with robot manipulation for large scale tool production

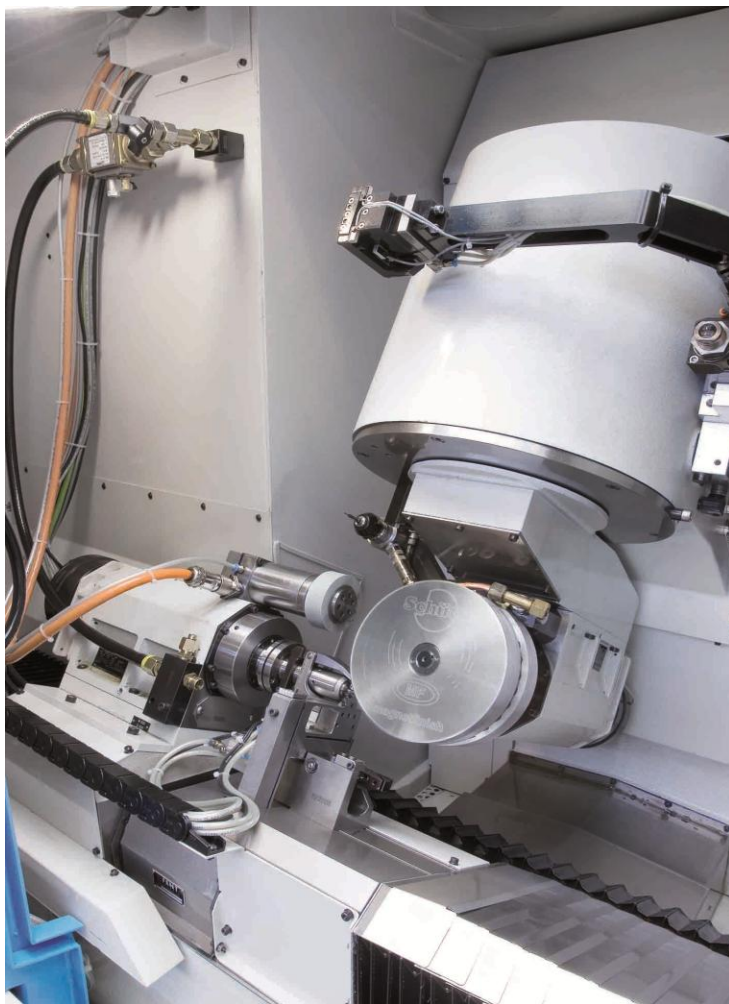


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Edge preparation of small tools (d > 1 mm) with magnetic powder head as a „grinding wheel“



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