

Control of Materials Function and Morphology Subarea  
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# Research

This laboratory is developing novel processes for new materials such as eco-materials, high-strength materials, materials with formability. The evolutions of microstructure, texture and properties during the processes are investigated academically. Tribology in the process is also studied.

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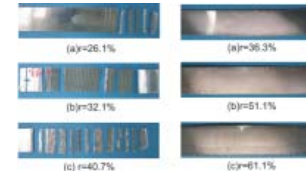
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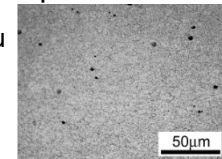
## 1. High-Performance Mg Alloy Sheets

High-speed rolling is effective to produce Mg alloy sheets without fracture. The rolled sheets show fine-grained microstructure and well-balanced mechanical properties.

Improvement in deformability (left: conventional, right: proposed)

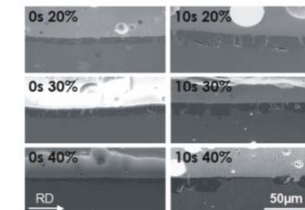


Microstructure of rolled Mg sheet

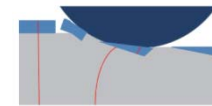


## 2. Tribology in Metal Forming Processes

Behavior of surface oxide film (scale) and its influence on friction, forming characteristics are studied.



## Deformation model of scale during rolling



Scale on steel sheet just after hot rolling

### 3. Development of New Forming Processes

New forming processes for improvement of forming limit and microstructure control are proposed on servomotor press.

## New forming process for forming of deep hole using servo press

