

HPDC Magnesium in automotive industry



- Why Mg
- Cost effective, components with many integrated functions are often cost competetive in Mg.
- Saves weight, due to its low density, excellent castability and good mechanical properties
  Mg often saves weight.



Weight analysis: Figures in density rates.

- Steel, SS, HSS, UHSS and others. 7,86
- Aluminium and alloys 2,78
- Magnesium and Mg alloys 1,72



- Weight reduction analysis:
- The effect of weight on fuelconsumption varies between 0,17 I 100/km\*100kg to 0,52I 100/km\*100kg due to engine output.



Products currently in Mg.

- Instrument panel structures.
- Crossbeams.
- Steering column and SC brackets.
- Center stack.
- Bumpers(craschbox, beam)
- Retractable hardtops.



Products currently in Mg.

- Doors (impact beams, frame)
- Front and backseats(subframes, mechanisms, backrests, seat panel)
- Body-in-white(A-B-C pillars, body support).



Trends and facts:

- Today 2,3kg Mg/car, within 10 years 60kg Mg/car.
- Few suppliers of large scale production.
- Mg-Al content per car predicted for 2010.



- Future:
- Tixoforming
- Warm sheet forming.
- Stamping
- Joing technology progress, multi material interfaces.



- What in it for us??
- Previous part were stamped MS small parts welded toghether on site.
- Mg part are often bulky and structured which means that they are sensitive to damages during packing/transport processes.
- New suppliers/actors on the market without old traditional packaging thinking.
- Decission takers are often closely related to the project – fast acting.



- Actors within Scandinavia:
- Finnveden –Automotive
- Husqvarna –Chainsaws and eq.
- Svensk trckgjutning –Automotive
- Alteams group Finland –Automotive.
- Hydro automotive structures guess..
- Tönsberg mag group Norway –Automotive.
- SMA mag Norway –Automotive.



- Main actors in Europe.
- Georg Fisher, Austria
- Gibbs, Hungary
- Antolin, Spain

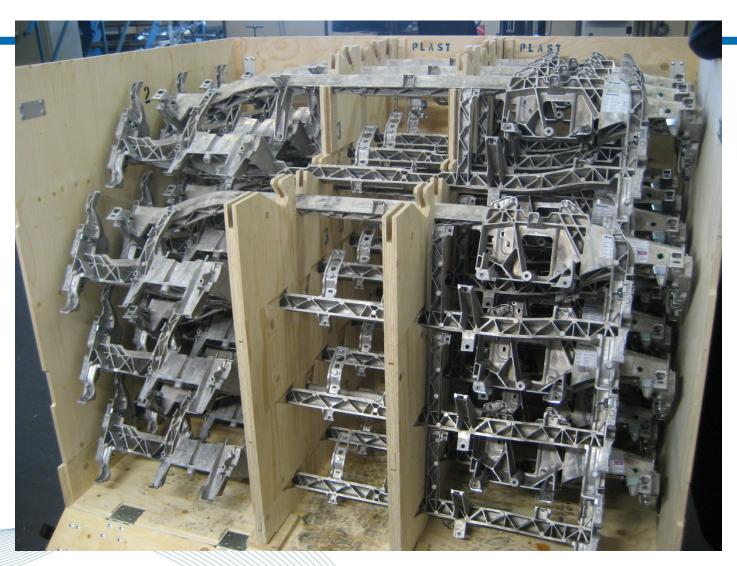




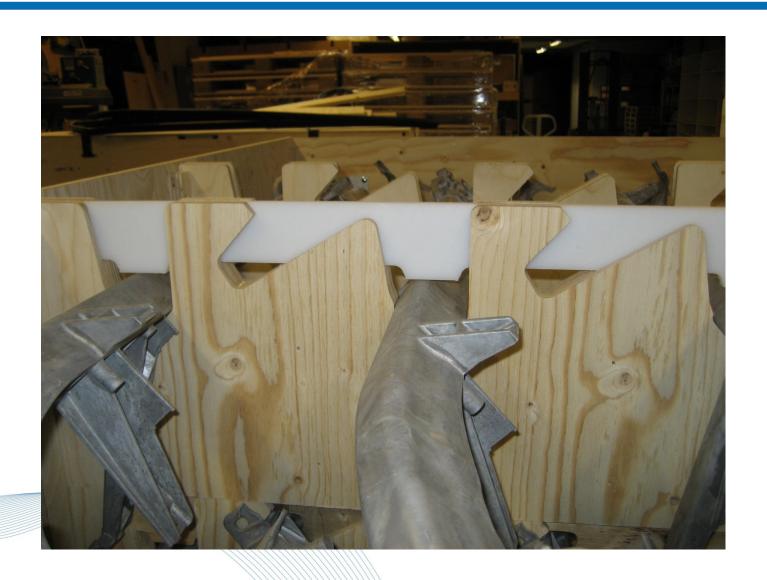














#### Conclusion

- Magnesium parts often bulky and complex.
- Complicated to pack without proper dunnage.