

2017년도 1학기 심화수업

# *Electroplasticity in metal alloys*

## *- AZ91 magnesium alloy, AHSS-*

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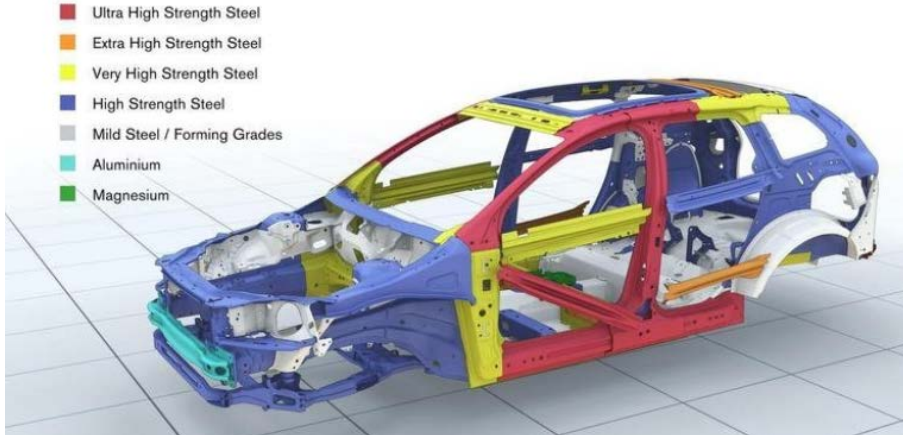
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# I. Introduction

## High strength & Lightweight automobiles

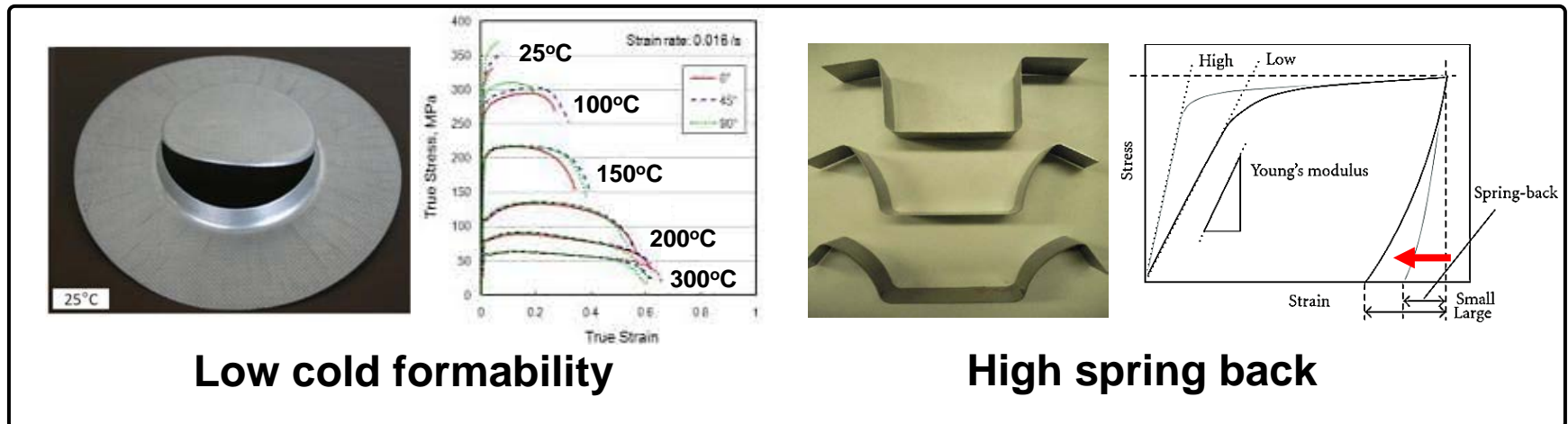
### ■ Body parts components



Body parts mostly consists of **high strength steel** & **lightweight metals** (Magnesium/Aluminum alloy)

<http://www.topspeed.com/cars/volvo/2009-volvo-xc60-ar52734/picture304392.html>

### ■ Limit properties of high strength & lightweight metals



**Low cold formability**

**High spring back**

<https://www.esi-group.com/sites/default/files/software-services/1557/springback>

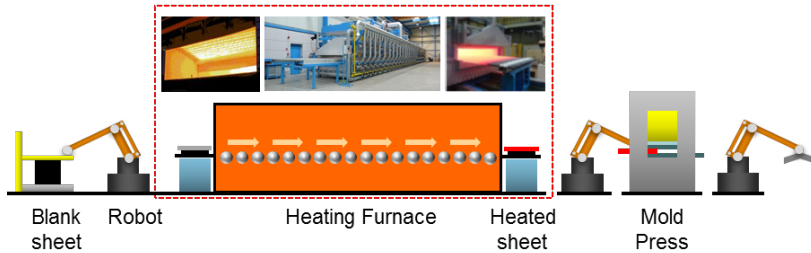
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# Electrically-assisted Manufacturing (EAM)

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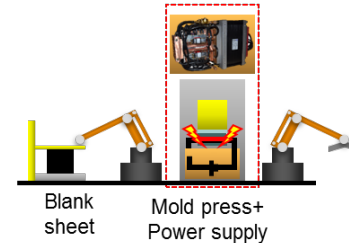
: Metal forming by applying electric current during deformation

### Hot forming



VS

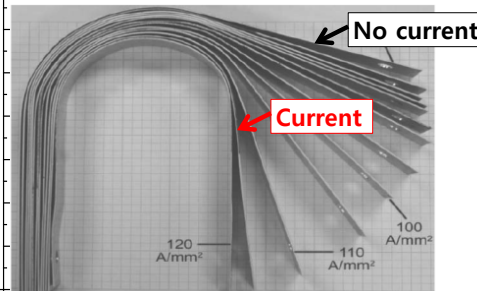
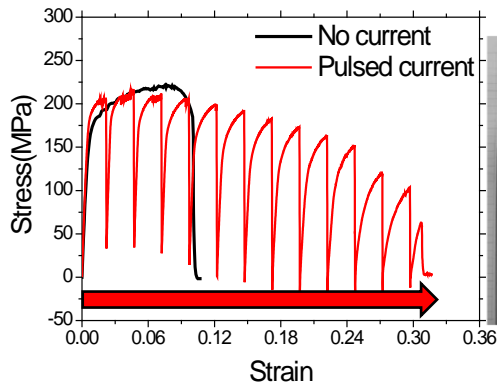
### EAM



### Advantages of EAM

- Space saving
- Rapid heating
- High energy efficiency
- No cost to maintain temperature of furnace/mold

### Enhancement of Formability



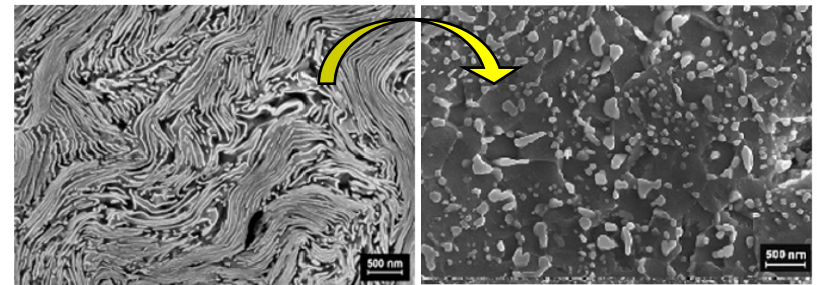
Increase of Elongation

Decrease of Spring back

Penn State Univ. (2009)

### Microstructure control

[deformed pearlitic steel]



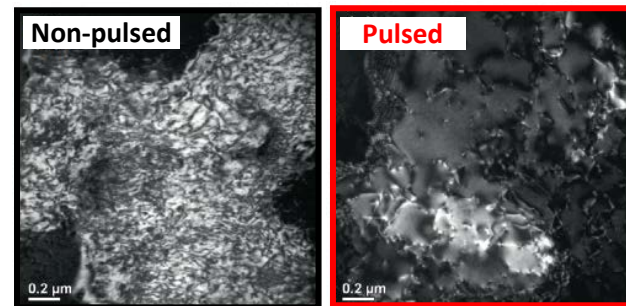
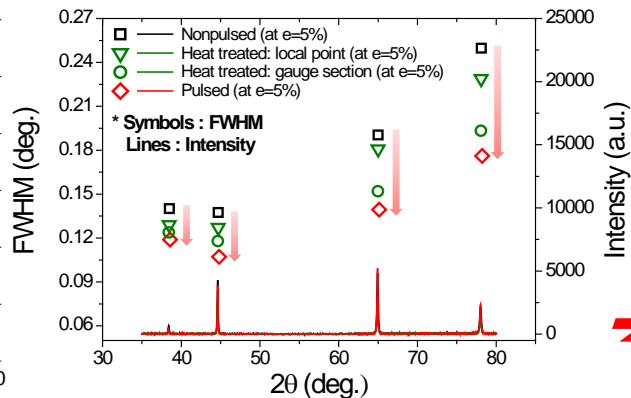
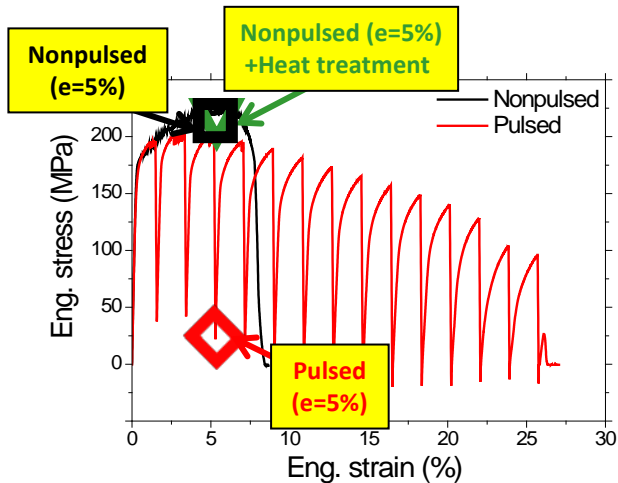
Acceleration of Spheroidization

Edwin I et al., J. Mater. Res. (2010)

# I. Introduction

## Application of EAM

### AA5052 Al alloy



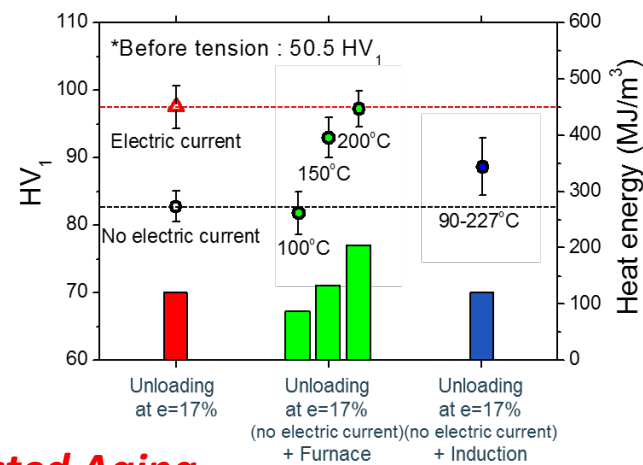
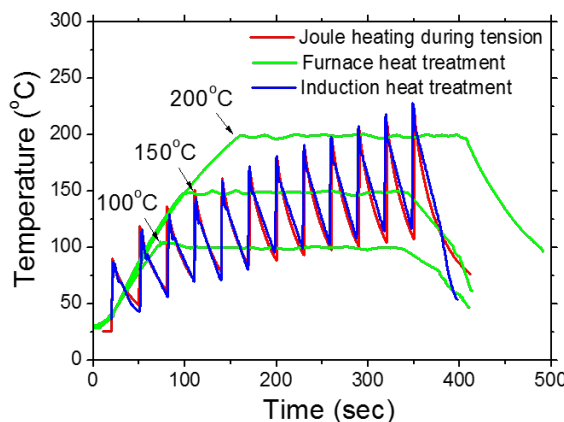
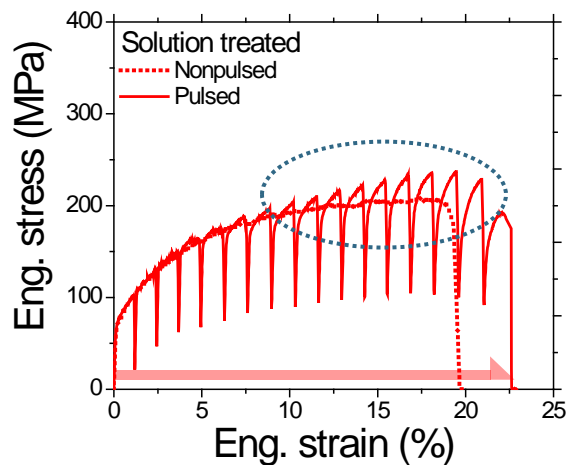
➔ **Electrically assisted annealing**

*Scripta Mater.* 75, 2014

Specific heat (J/kg·°C)	910
Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	2,712

$$\text{Heat energy (J/m}^3\text{)} = m_{\text{mass}} C_{\text{specific heat}} \Delta \text{Temp.} / V_{\text{volume}}$$

### AA6061 alloy



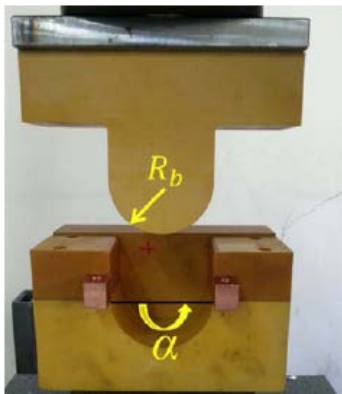
➔ **Electrically assisted Aging**

*Int. J. Plast., (in Press), 2016*

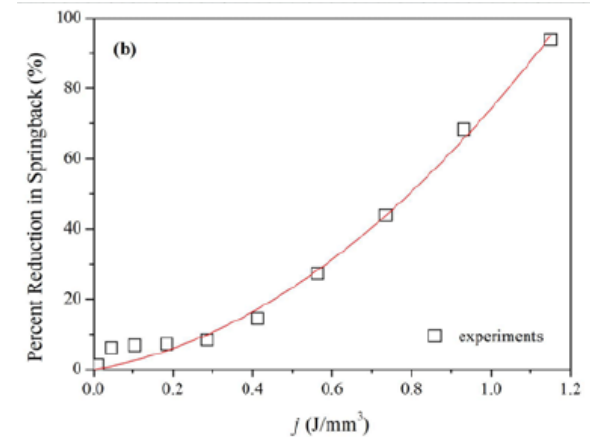
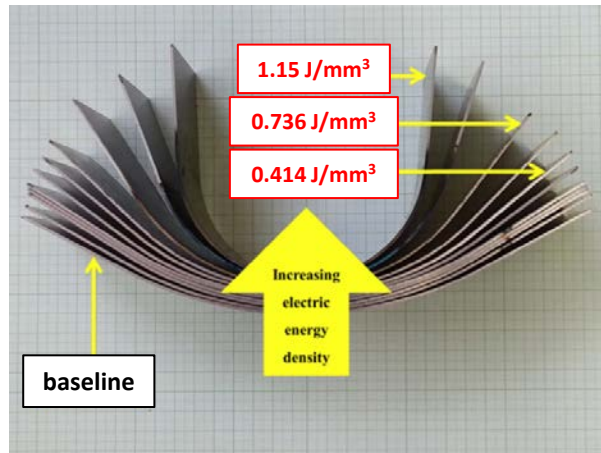
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## Application of EAM

### AHSS (980 DP Steel)



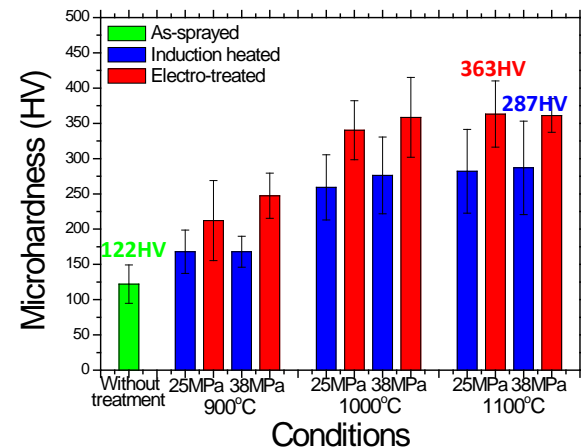
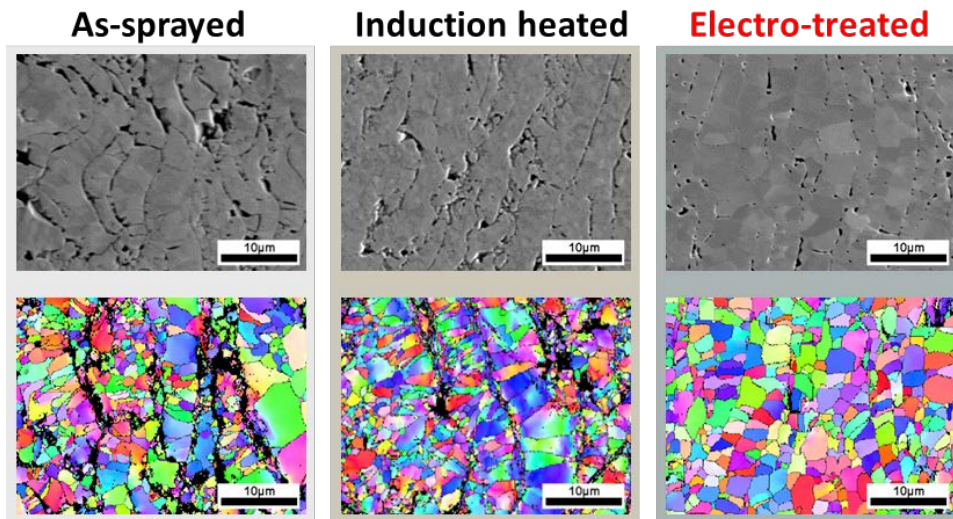
The U-bending fixture



Int. J. Precis. Eng. Manuf. 15 (2014)

→ Springback decreased by applying electric current

### Tungsten film



Significantly improved hardness!

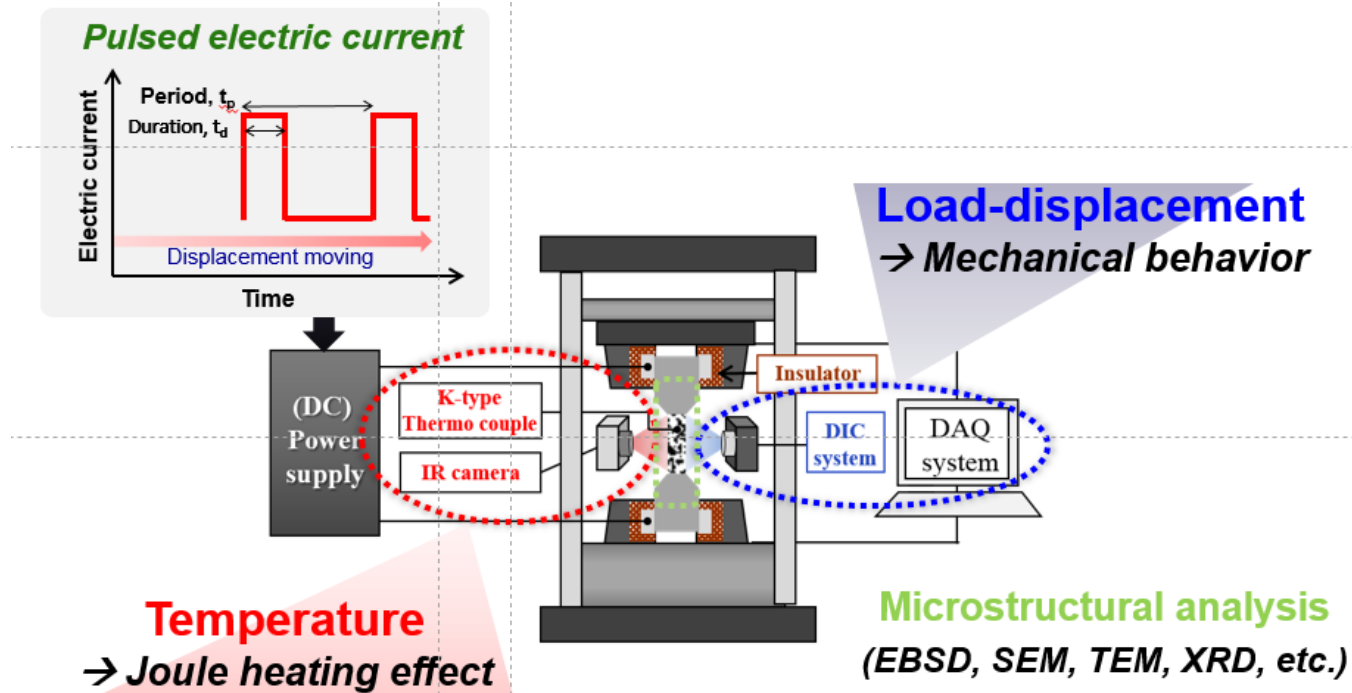
→ Electrically assisted Densification

International Journal of Refractory Metals and Hard Materials (2016)

# II. Materials and Experimental method

## Experimental Procedure

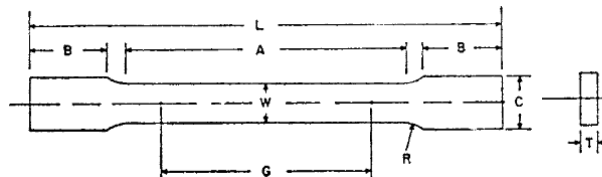
### Instrumental set-up



### Specimens

	Composition	Characteristic
<b>AZ91 Mg alloy</b>	9Al-1Zn	YS 290MPa, El 7%
<b>Complex Phase steel</b> (DP 980 소둔)	0.07C-2.5Mn-0.96Cr-0.05Nb	YS 849MPa, TS 1030MPa, El 9.3%

### [Tensile specimen (ASTM E8)]

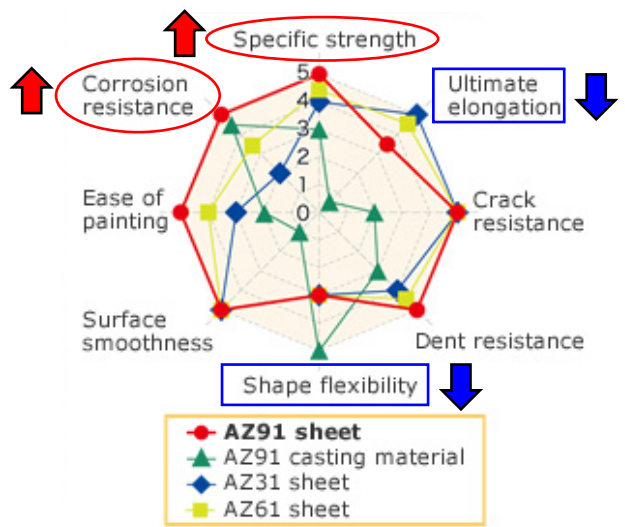


	Sub size	Standard size
G	25	50
W	6.25	12.5
L	100	200

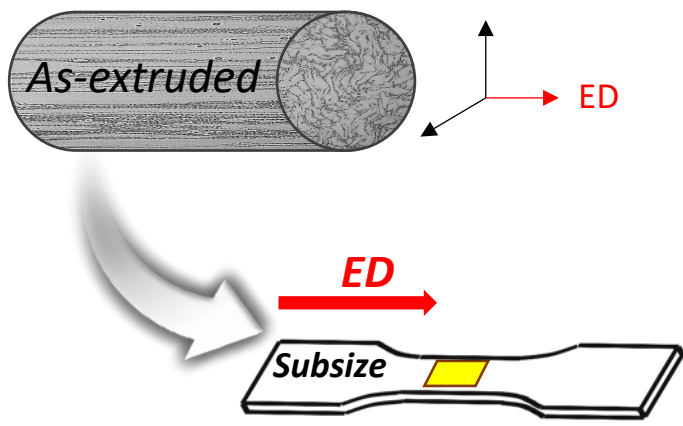
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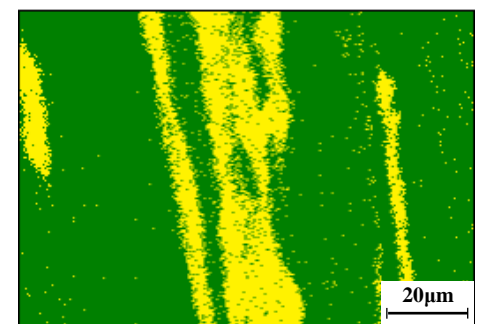
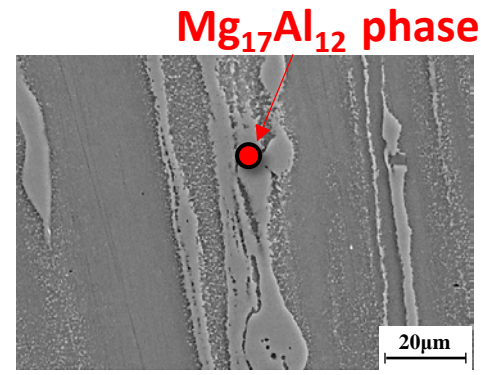
### Property of AZ91



### As-received specimen

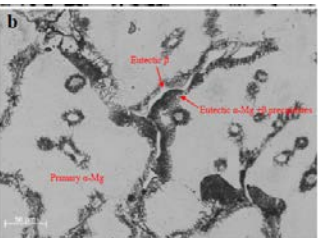


### EDS & SEM Analysis



**Mg<sub>17</sub>Al<sub>12</sub>**    **Matrix**

### Draw backs

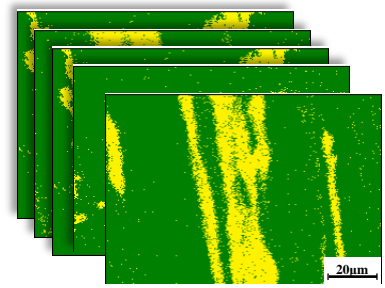


- **β (Mg<sub>17</sub>Al<sub>12</sub>) phase**
- Intermetallic phase
- exist at α-Mg grain boundary
- brittle β phase
- Melting point : 330 – 350 °C

→ β phase (Mg<sub>17</sub>Al<sub>12</sub>) → **Low formability**

**Additional Heat treatment or grain refinement process is required**

**More than 5 images in each specimen**



Phase	Fraction (%)
Mg <sub>17</sub> Al <sub>12</sub>	21.1 ± 3.4

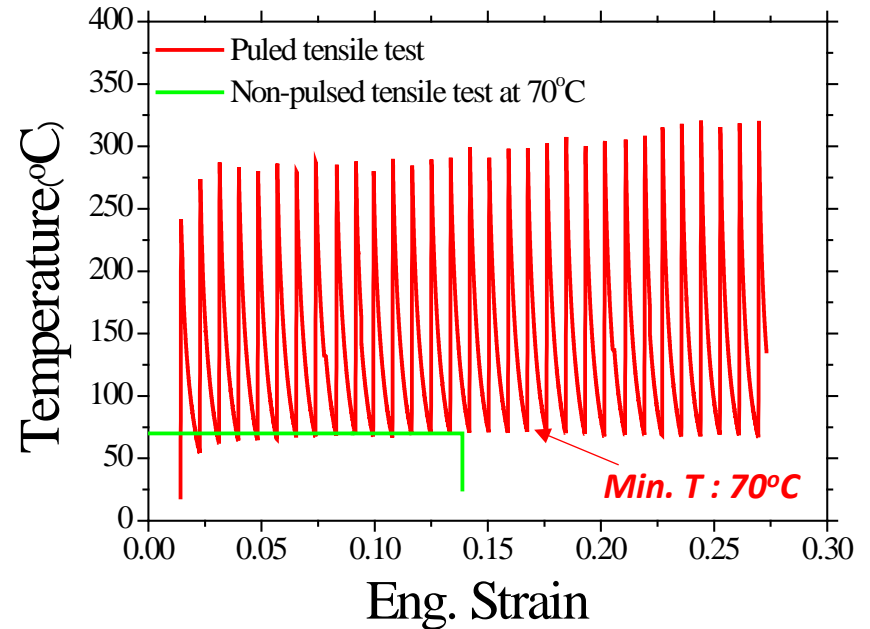
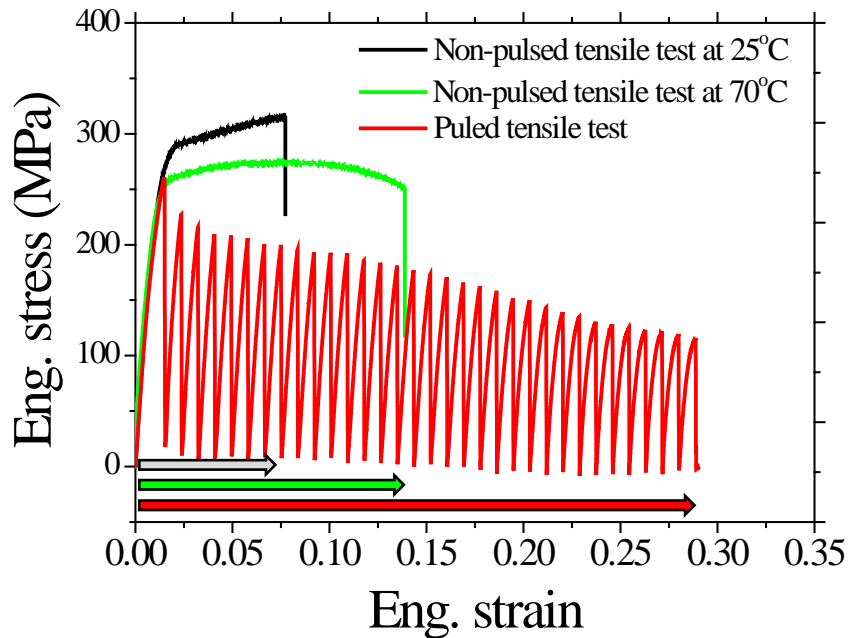


### III. Results and Discussion

# Magnesium alloy (AZ91)

## ■ Pulsed tensile test

- Current density ( $\rho_j$ ): 80A/mm<sup>2</sup>, duration=0.5s. period=20s
- Cross head speed : 1.0 mm/min



Property	Non-pulsed at 25°C	Non-pulsed at 70°C	Pulsed
Yield stress	290 MPa	250 MPa	-
Fracture elongation	7%	13.9%	<b>28.9%</b>

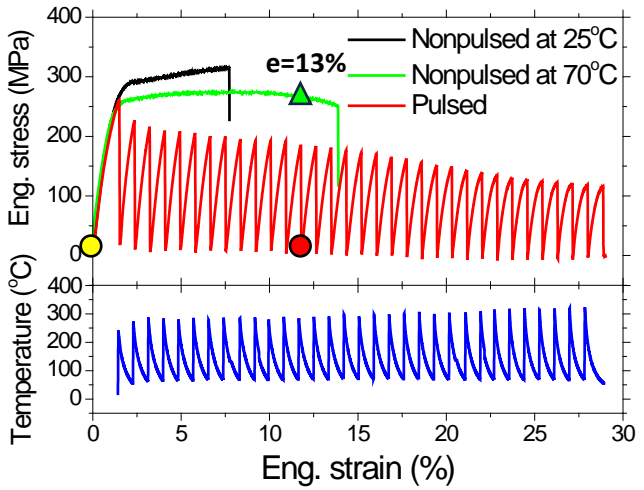
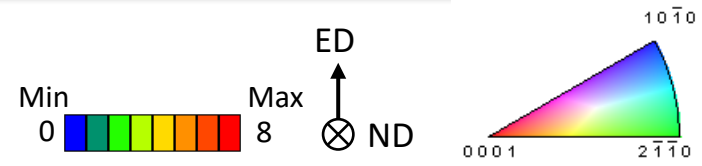


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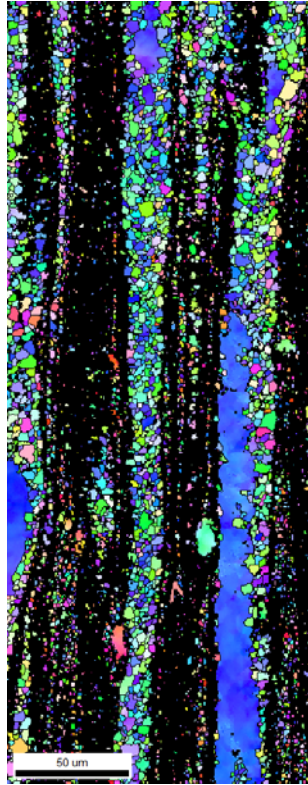
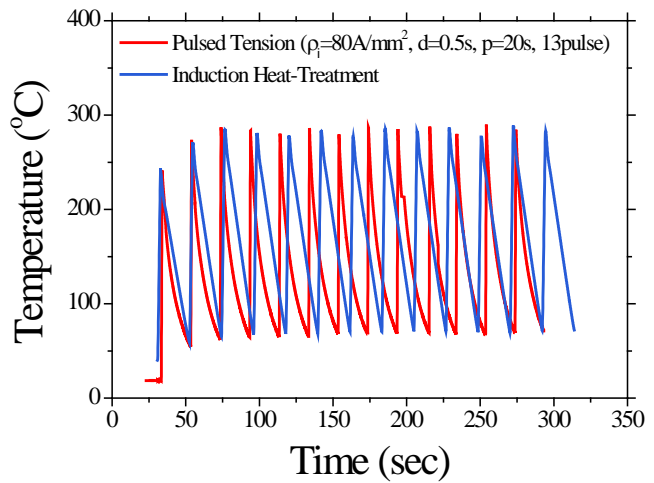
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## EBSD Analysis : Inverse Pole Figure Map

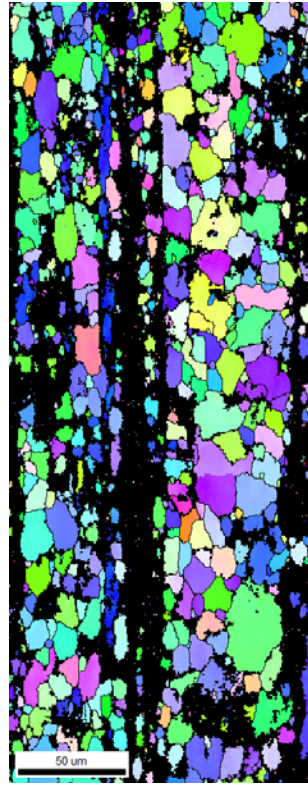
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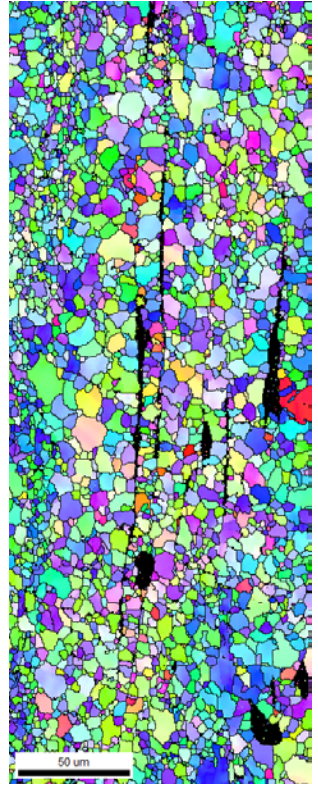
## ▲ Non-pulsed tension at 70°C + Induction H-T



As-received



Eng. Strain : 13%  
Non-pulsed tension at 70°C  
+ Induction H-T

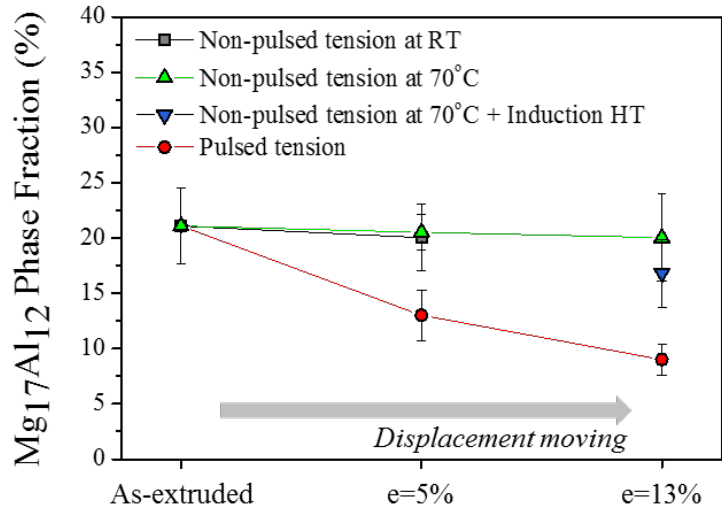


Pulsed tension

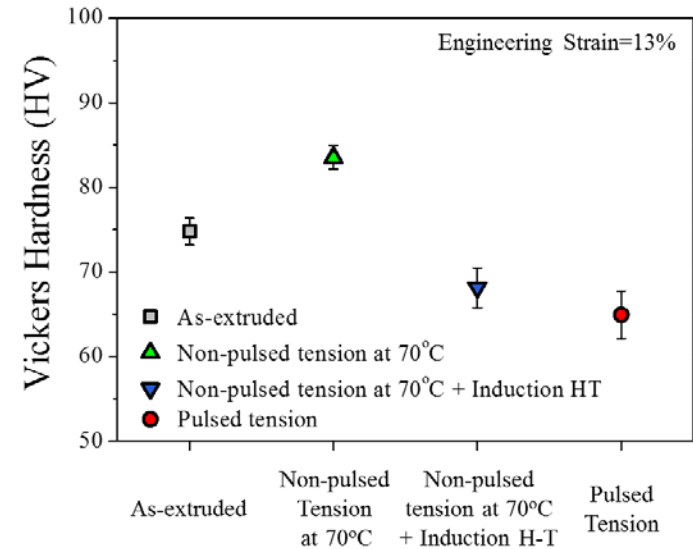
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## ■ $Mg_{17}Al_{12}$ Phase Fraction

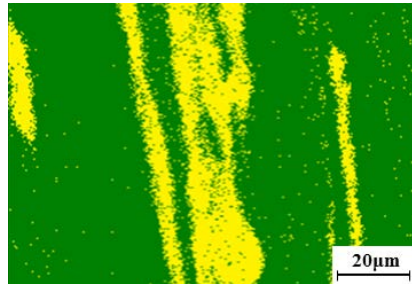


## ■ Vickers Hardness Measurement

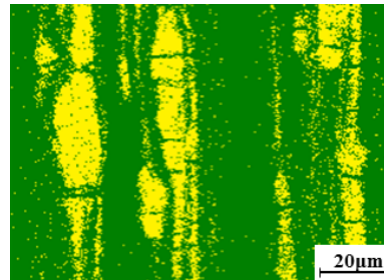


$Mg_{17}Al_{12}$   
Matrix

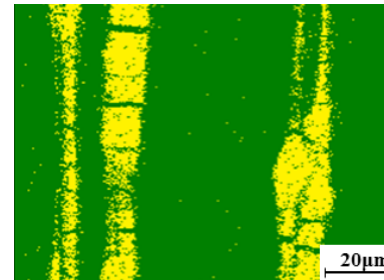
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↑  
⊗ ND



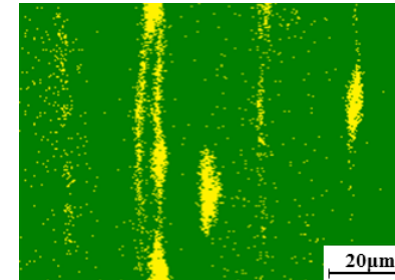
Eng. Strain : 0%  
As-received



Eng. Strain : 13%  
Non-pulsed tension at 70°C



Eng. Strain : 13%  
Non-pulsed tension at 70°C  
+ Induction heat treatment



Eng. Strain : 13%  
Pulsed tension

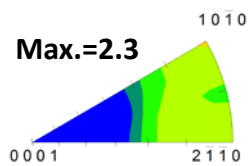
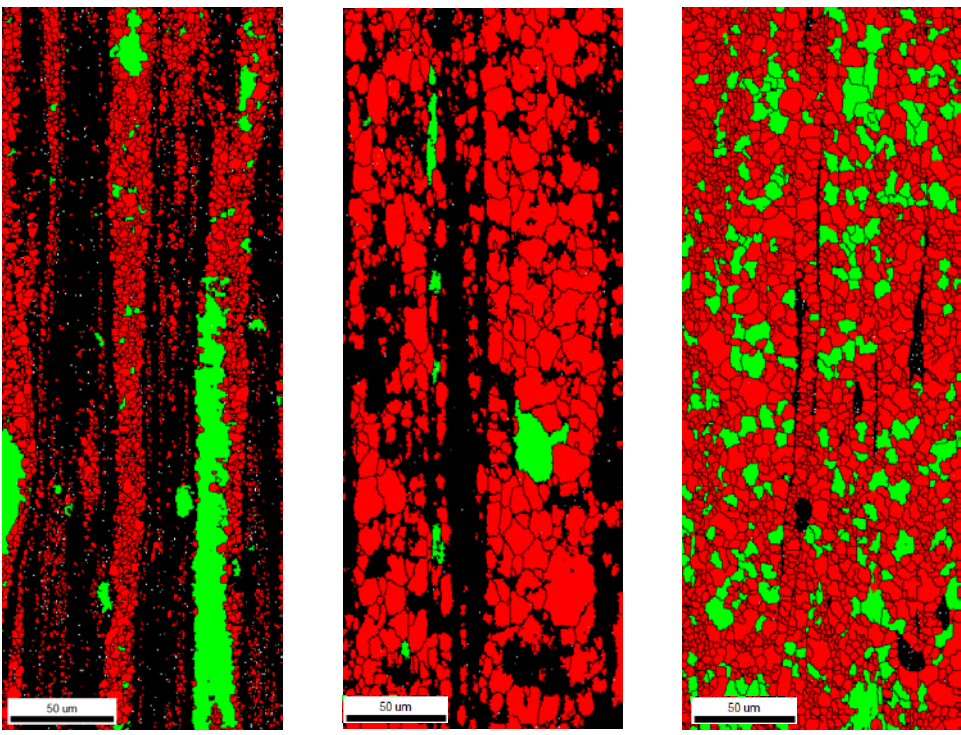
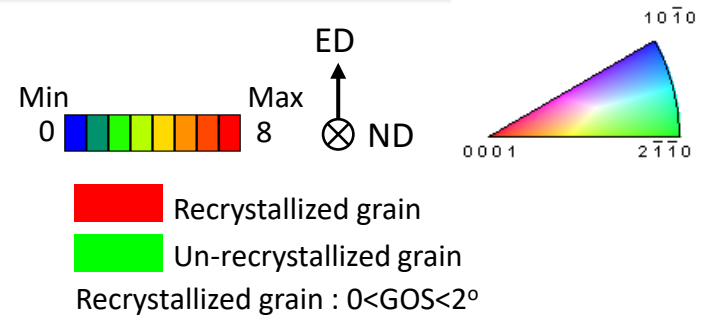
➔ Electric current induced Dissolution of  $Mg_{17}Al_{12}$

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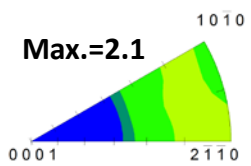
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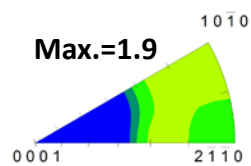
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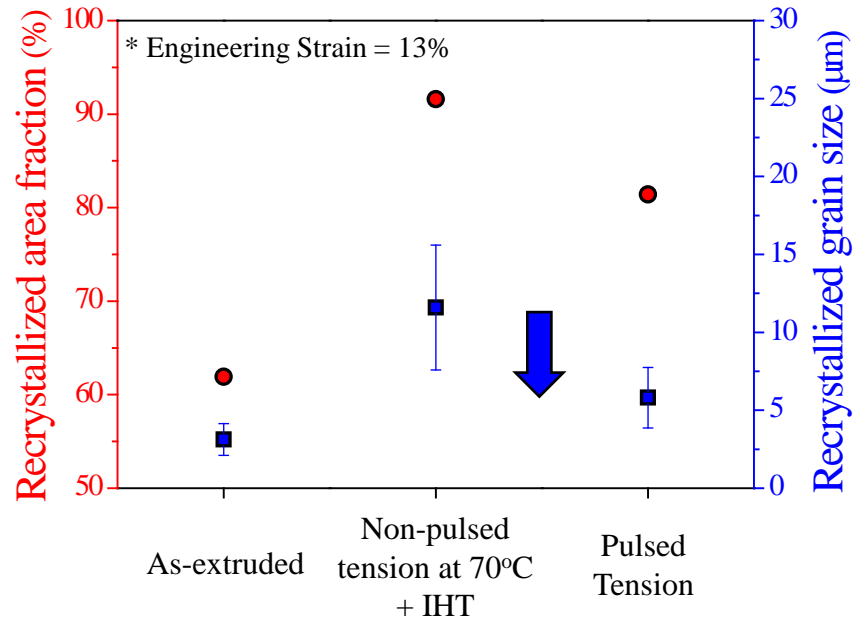
**As-received**



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**Non-pulsed tension at 70°C + Induction H-T**



**Pulsed tension**



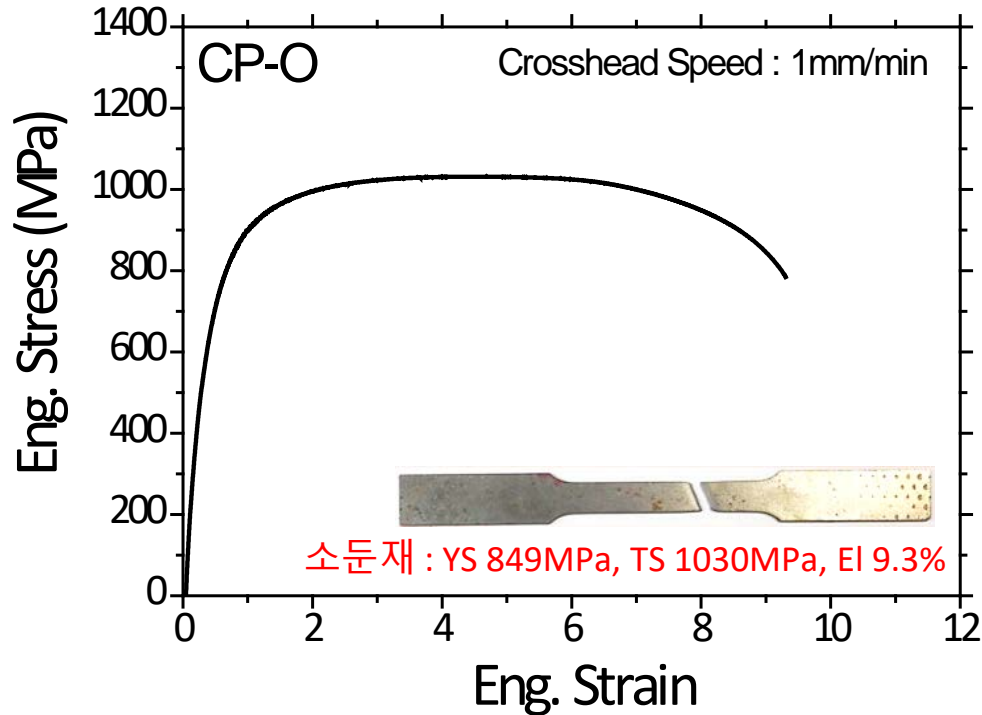
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## 980MPa grade steel

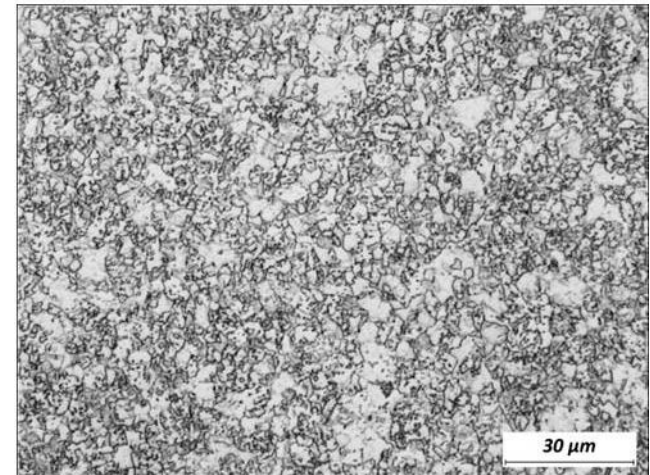
- Composition (wt.%)

C	Mn	Cr	Nb
0.07	2.5	0.96	0.05

- CP강 : 소둔재



- Optical image

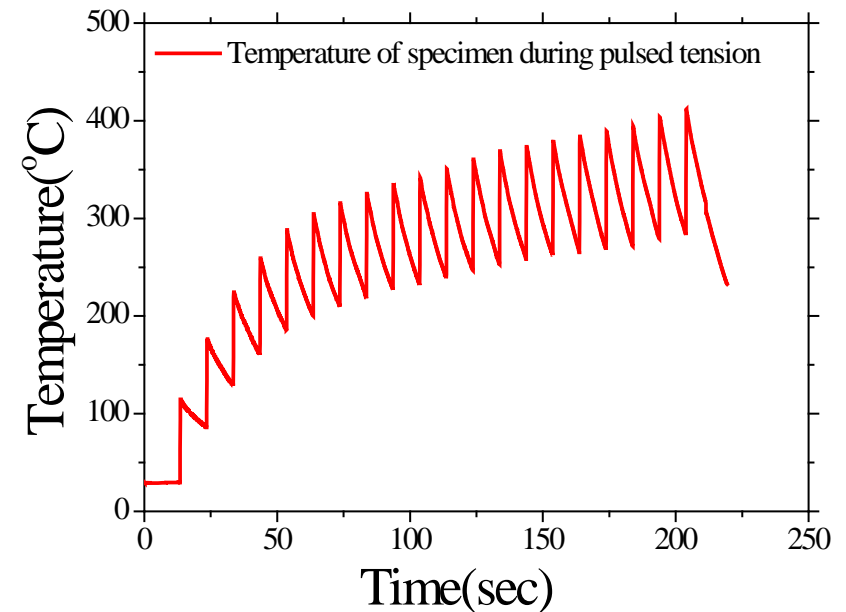
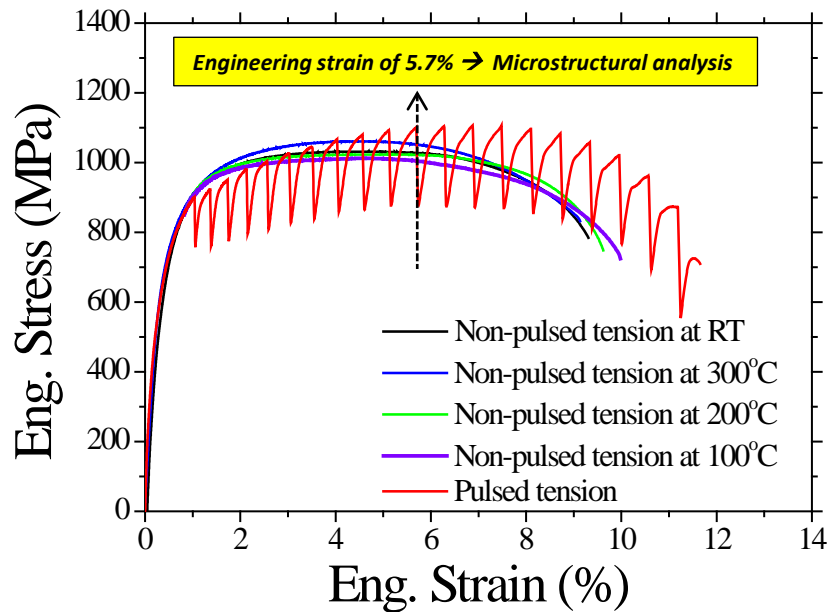


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# 980MPa grade steel

## ■ Pulsed tensile test

- Current density ( $\rho_o$ ): 95A/mm<sup>2</sup>, duration=0.1s. period=10s
- Cross head speed : 1.0 mm/min
- $\rho_o$  = **current density based on initial cross-sectional area**



Property	Non-pulsed	Pulsed	100°C	200°C	300°C
UTS	1030 MPa	1107MPa	1012MPa	1023MPa	1060MPa
Fracture elongation	9.3%	12.1%	10%	9.6%	9.1%

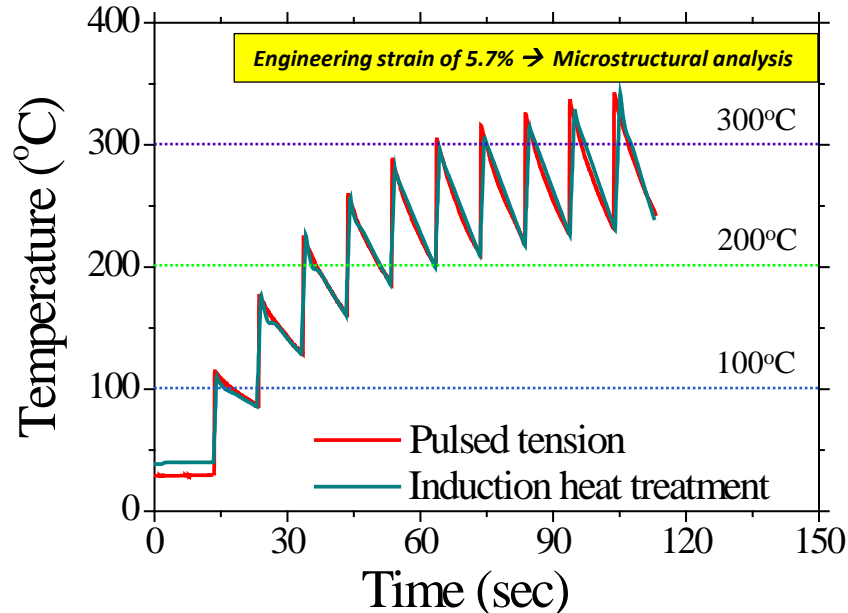
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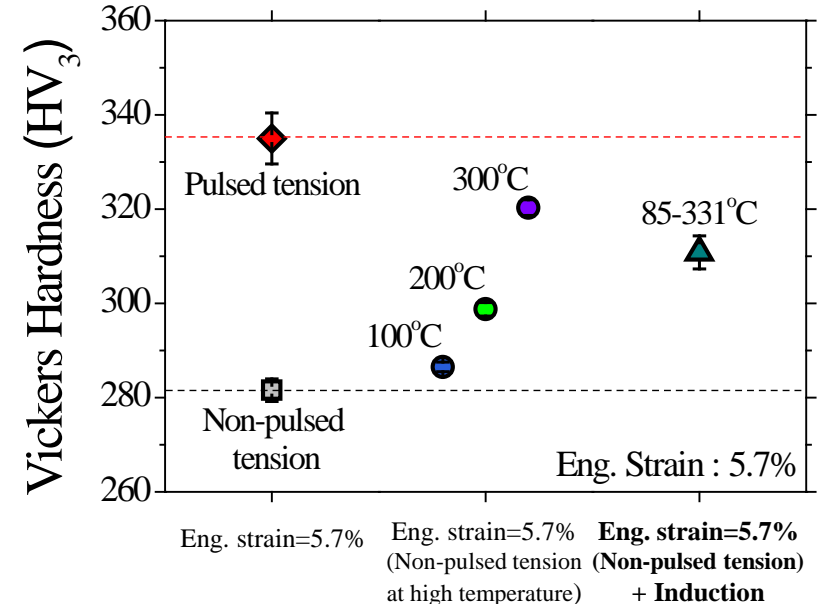
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#### ■ Temperature history



#### ■ Vickers Hardness Measurement

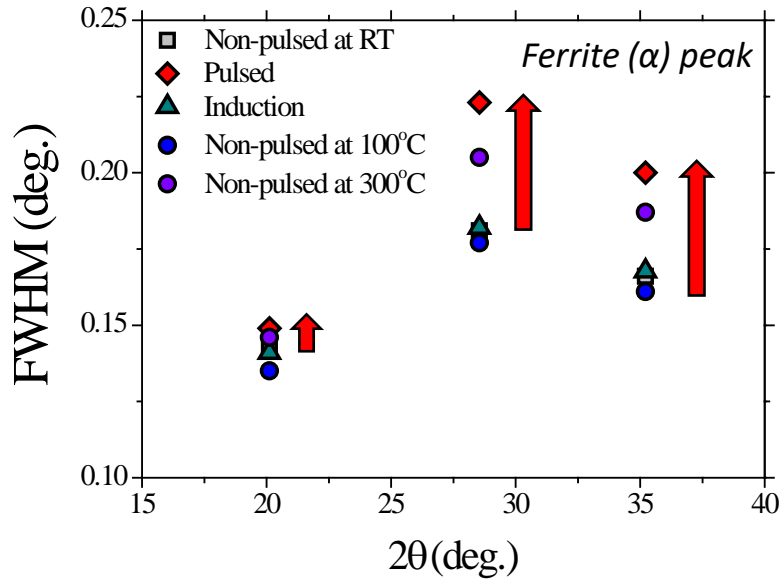


➔ From the Vickers hardness measurement, it can be observed that **applying electric current can accelerate "aging effect" with a distinct effect from Joule heating**

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## 980MPa grade steel

### XRD Analysis : FWHM Value



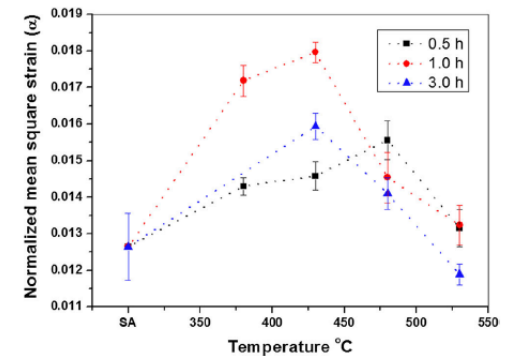
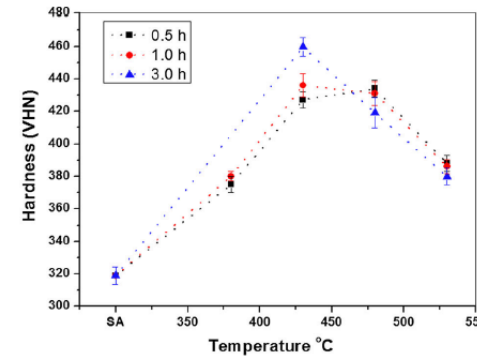
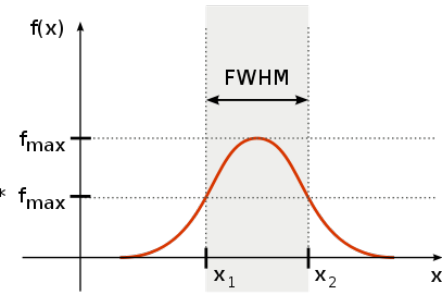
### Williamson-Hall (WH) approach

$$\beta^* = \frac{1}{D} + 2\varepsilon K$$

$\beta$  : Full Width at Half Maximum

$$\beta^* = \frac{\beta \cos \theta}{\lambda}, D : \text{average grain size}$$

$$K = \frac{2 \sin \theta}{\lambda}, \lambda : \text{wavelength of Xray beam}$$



- **Annihilation of dislocations and fine precipitation occur simultaneously on aging**
- **The hardness and micro strain are increased by formation of precipitates which are coherent with matrix**
- **The coarsening of the precipitation leading to loss of coherency with the matrix**  
 ➔ decrease of micro strain with increasing temperature

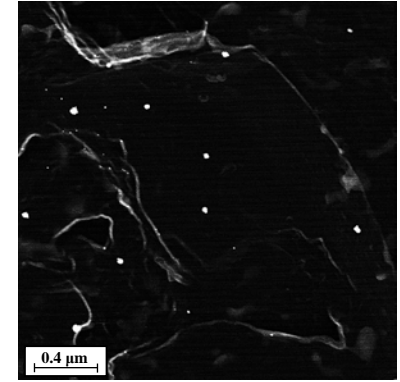
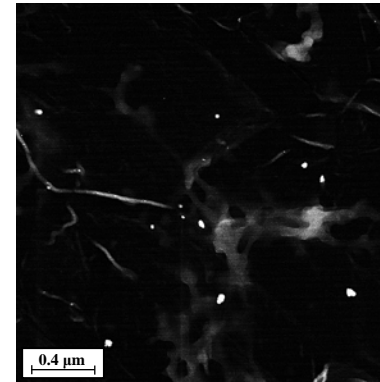
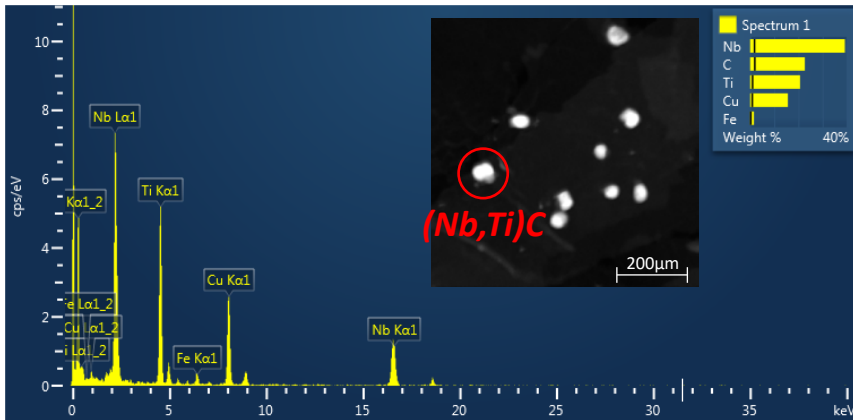


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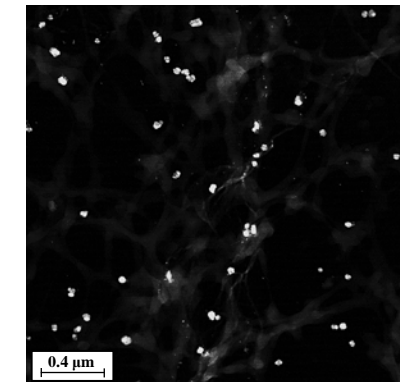
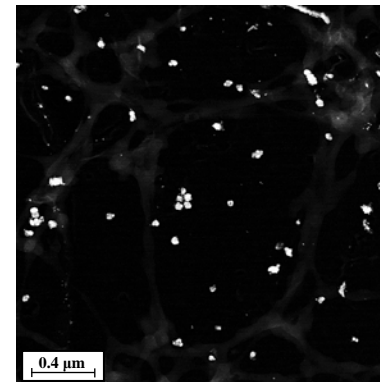
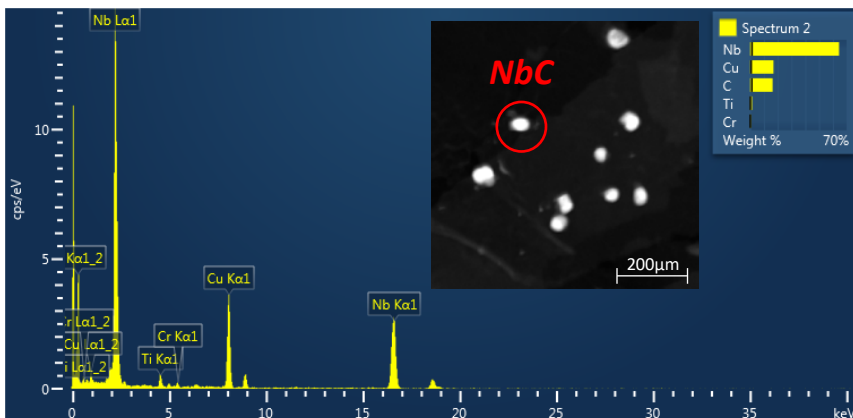
## 980MPa grade steel

- TEM Analysis at engineering strain of 5.7%  
(Using Cu grid and replica film, specimens were prepared )

### Non-pulsed Tension



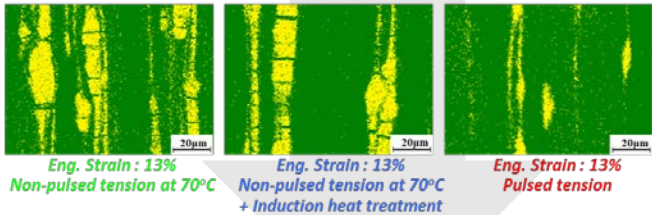
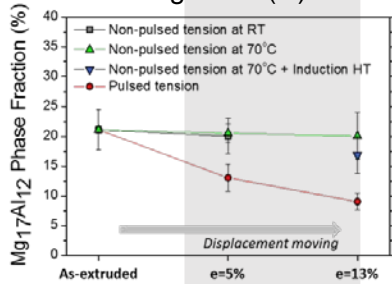
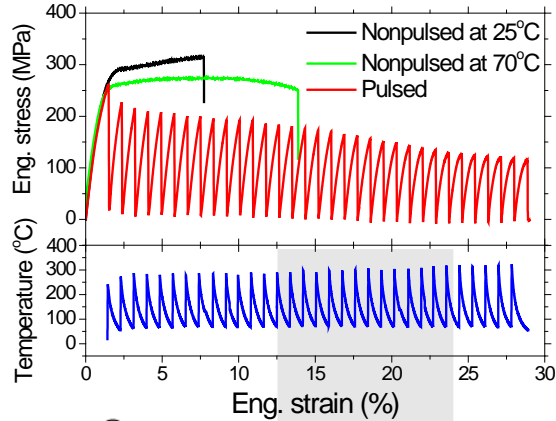
### Pulsed Tension



➔ Electric current can assisted “aging effect” during plastic deformation due to formation of Nano-sized precipitation such as NbC

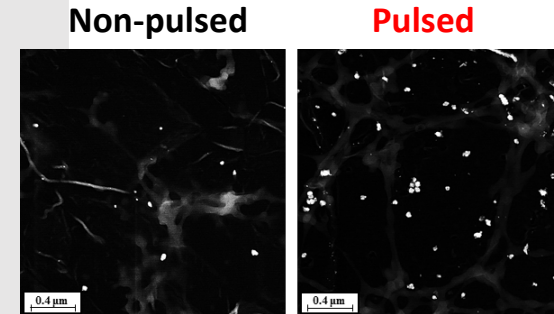
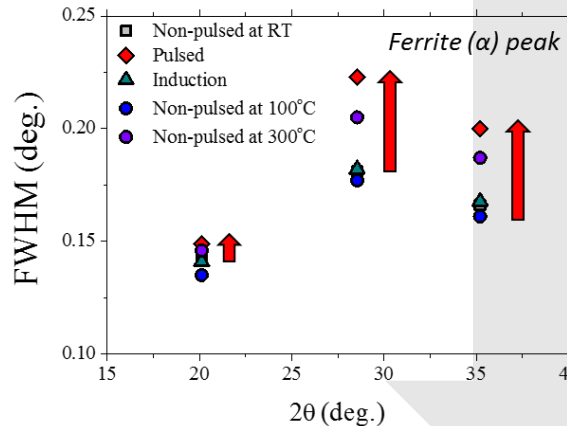
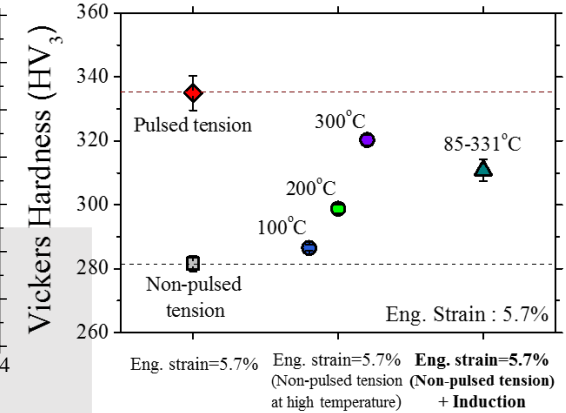
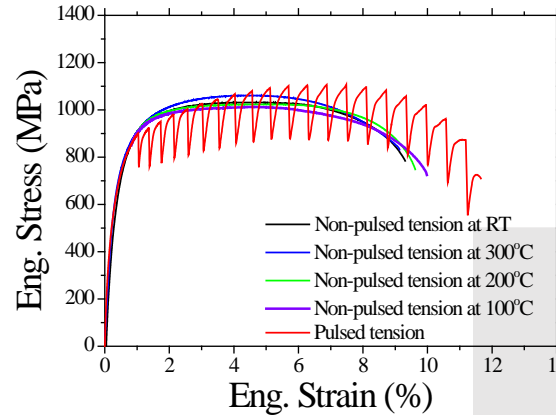
# IV. Conclusion Summary

## AZ91 Mg alloy



→ Electric current assisted “dissolution effect” during plastic deformation

## CP (DP980) steel



→ Electric current assisted “aging effect” during plastic deformation

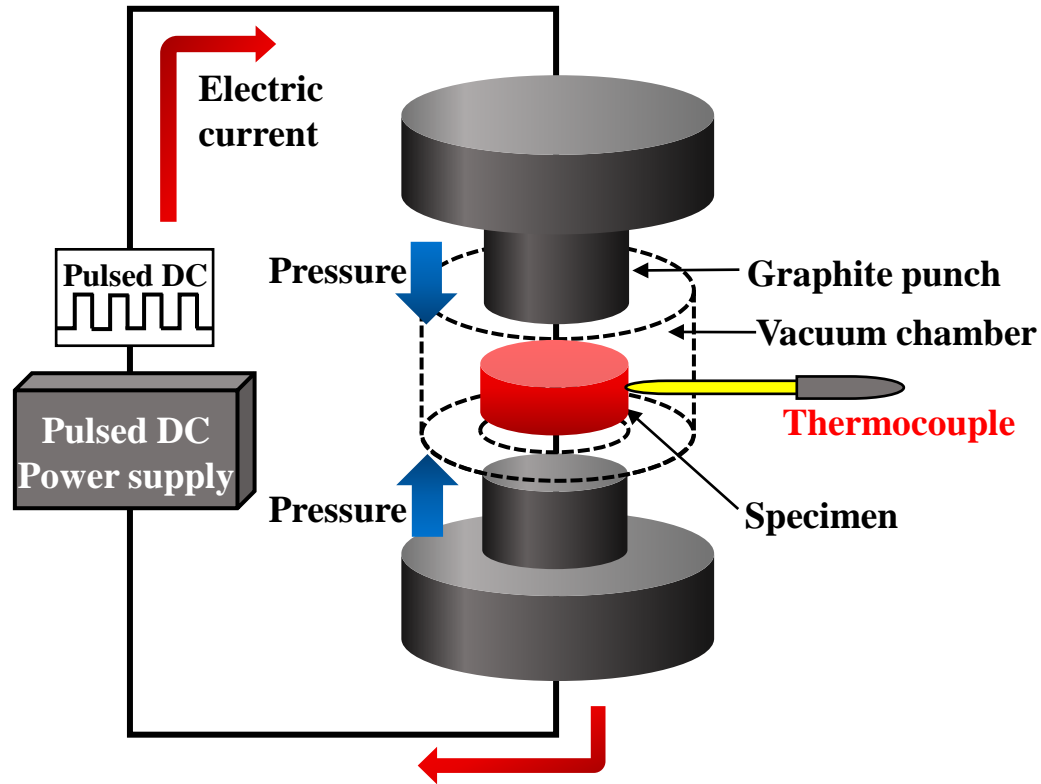
Applicability of EAM technique to Forming process

***Thank you for listening***

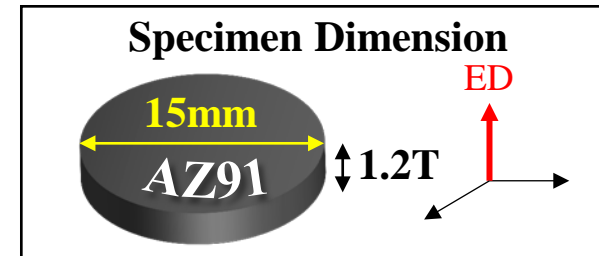
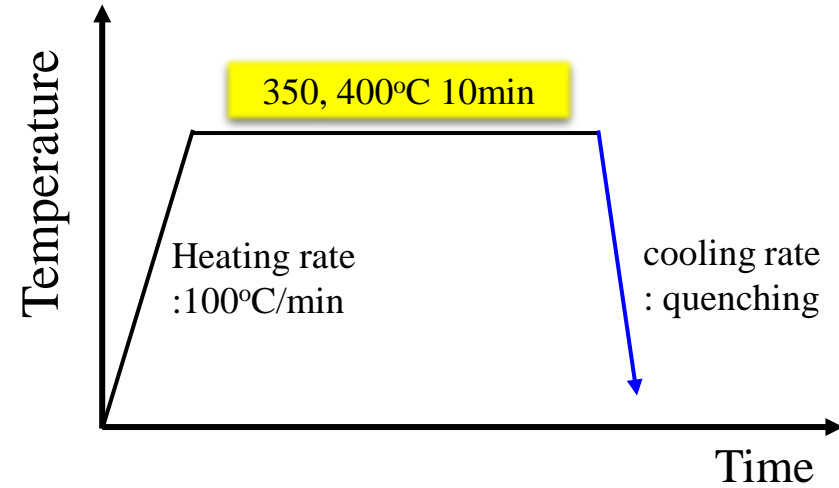
### III. Results and Discussion

# Magnesium alloy (AZ91)

## 【 Pulsed Electro-treatment Equipment 】



## 【 Schematic diagram of Condition 】



### III. Results and Discussion

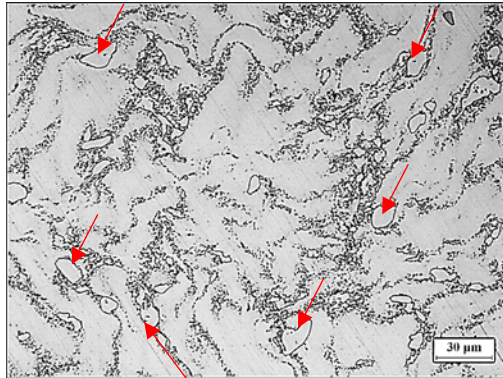
# Magnesium alloy (AZ91)

- Microstructure analysis : **OM**

❖ *Practical solution treatment condition*  
: 380 ~ 420°C \_ 30min ~ 1hrs



**Initial**



**Mg<sub>17</sub>Al<sub>12</sub>**

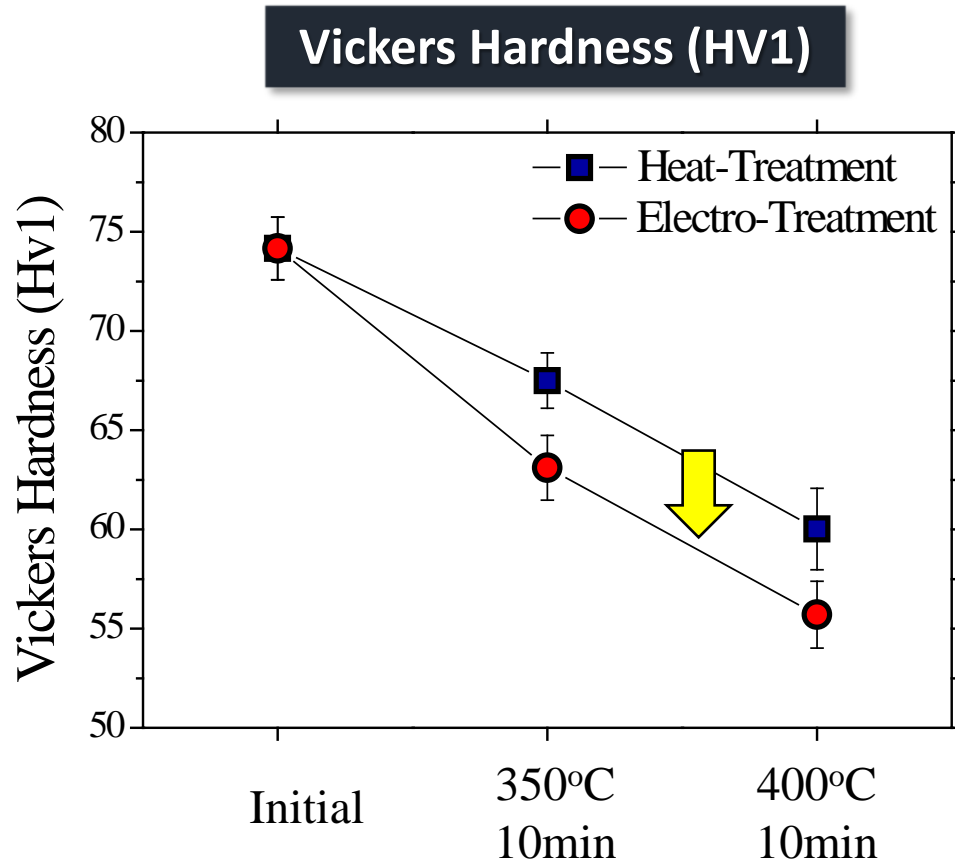
	<b>Conventional Heat-Treatment</b>	<b>Electro-Treatment</b>
350°C, 10min		
400°C, 10min		

➔ **Fraction of Mg<sub>17</sub>Al<sub>12</sub> phase** : Conventional heat-treatment > **Electro-Treatment**

### III. Results and Discussion

## Magnesium alloy (AZ91)

- Microstructure analysis : **Vickers Hardness Measurement**



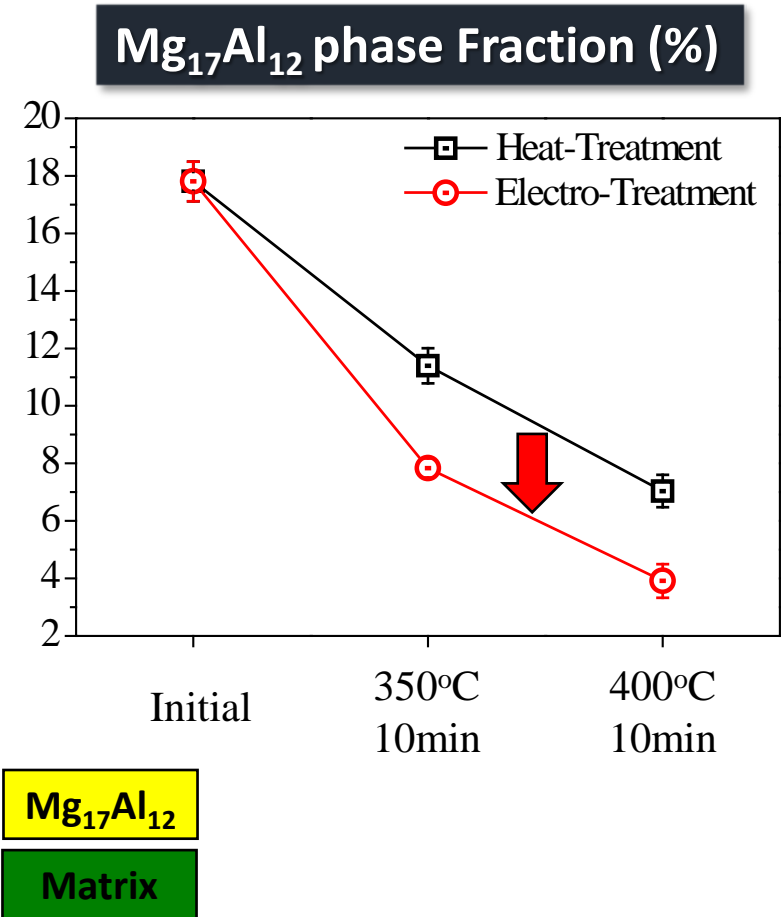
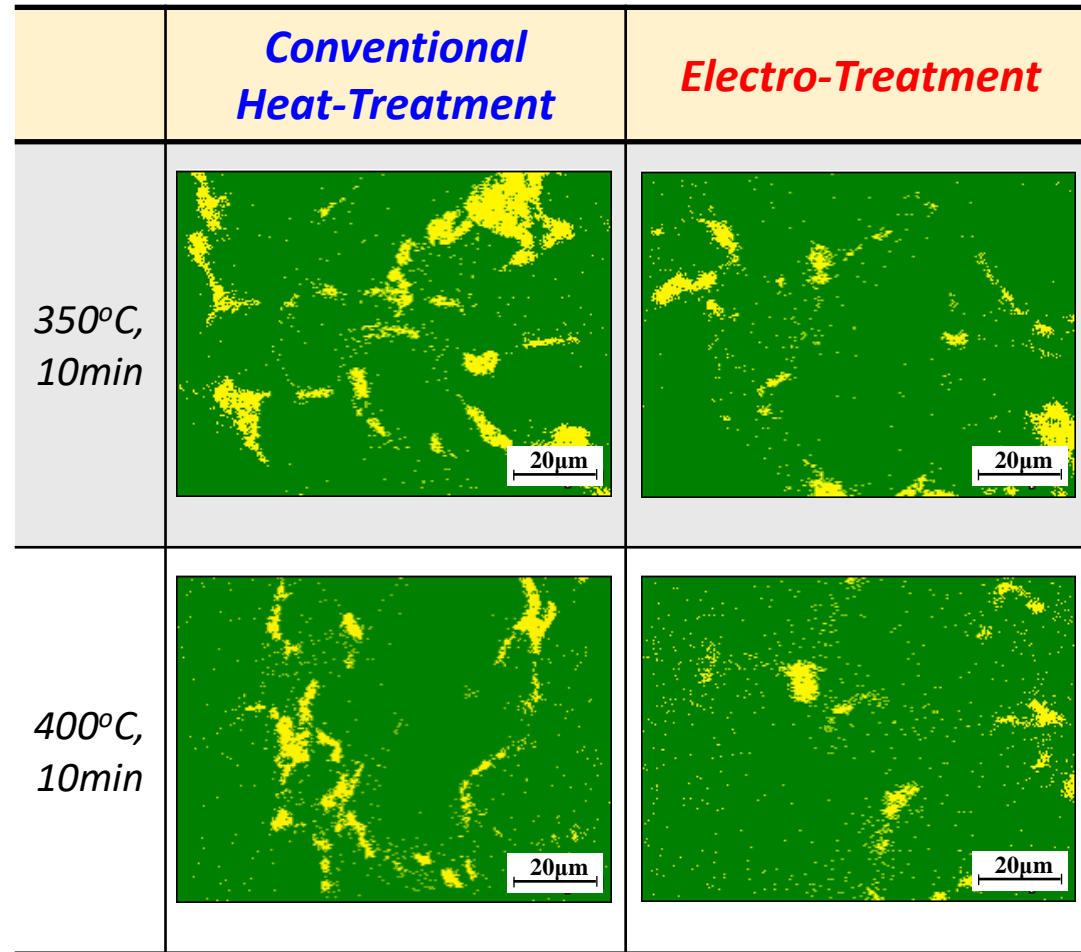
*The solution heat-treatment dissolves  $Mg_{17}Al_{12}$  phase to matrix*

**→ This makes the hardness of specimen decreased!!**

### III. Results and Discussion

## Magnesium alloy (AZ91)

- Microstructure analysis : **EDS phase mapping**



→ it was observed that dissolution kinetic of **Mg<sub>17</sub>Al<sub>12</sub> phase** is accelerated by **EAM**