

# DH31-EX

**High tough and heat checking resistance  
Premium Hot Work Die Steel**

## Features

- High toughness due to fine grains by double melting
- High toughness even in large dies due to higher hardenability
- High elevated temperature strength and superior heat checking resistance

## Applications and proper hardness

Applications	Hardness (HRC)
Al,Zn,Mg die casting molds	41 ~ 48HRC
Die casting parts (Plunger sleeve, chip etc.)	45 ~ 50HRC
Hot extrusion dies	43 ~ 50HRC
Hot shear blades	35 ~ 45HRC
Hot forging dies	42 ~ 50HRC

## Chemistries

NADCA Spec. #207-2011	C	Mn	P	S	Si	Cr	Mo	V
Grade "C" Chemistry:	0.32-0.40	0.10-1.2	0.020 Max	0.003 Max	0.10-0.50	4.70-5.85	2.00-3.30	0.40-0.70

## Heat treatment

Forging Temp. : C	Treating temperature : C			Hardness		Transformation point : C	
	Annealing	Quenching	Tempering	Annealed	Quenched & tempered	Ac	Ms
1200 — 900	820 — 870 Slow cooling	1000-1050 Air cooling	550 ~ 650 Air cooling	≤ 235HB	≤ 53HRC	805 ~ 885	300 Austenite temp : 1030 C

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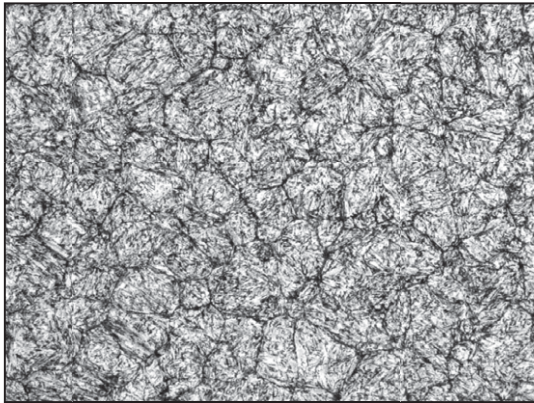
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# Properties

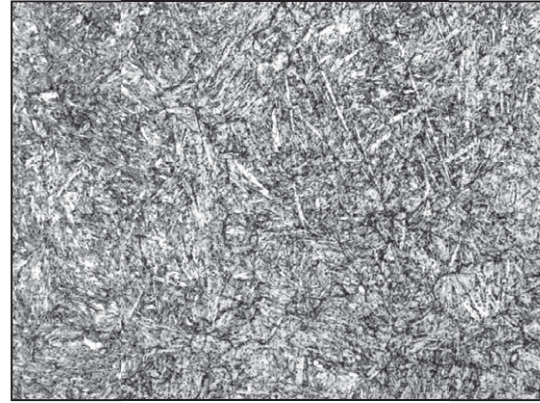
## Microstructure (Quenched and tempered)

Specimen: 200H x 600W x 300L(Center)  
Vacuum quenched and tempered

25  $\mu$  m

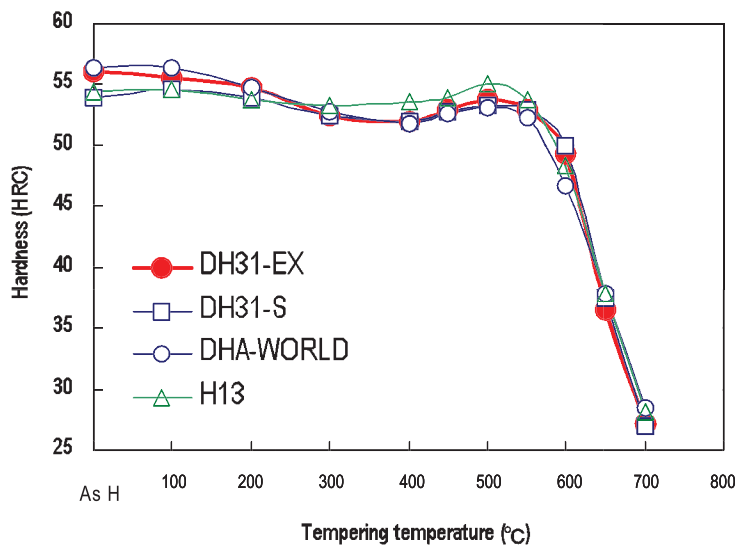


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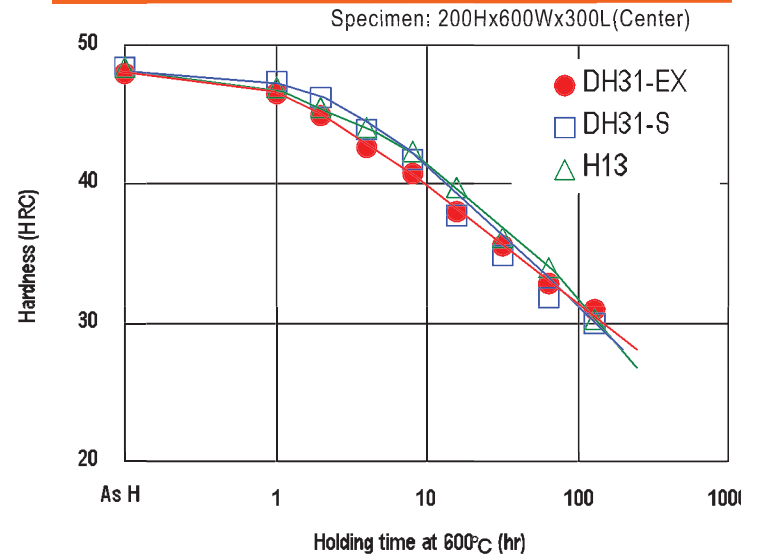


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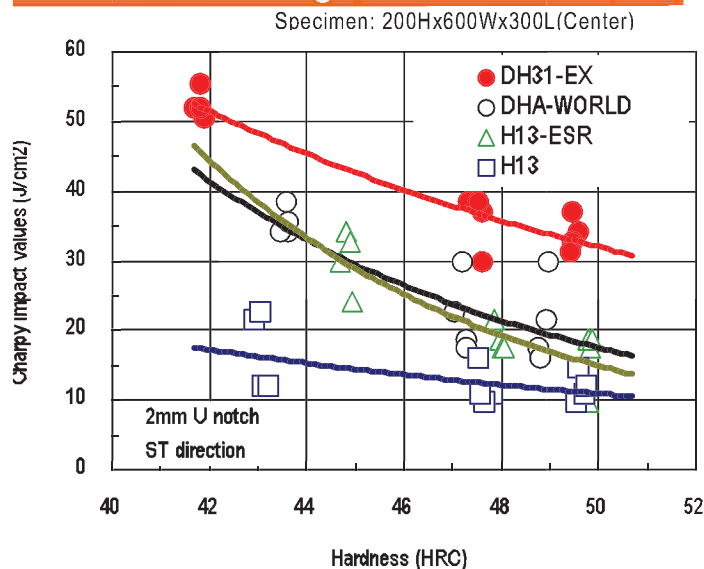
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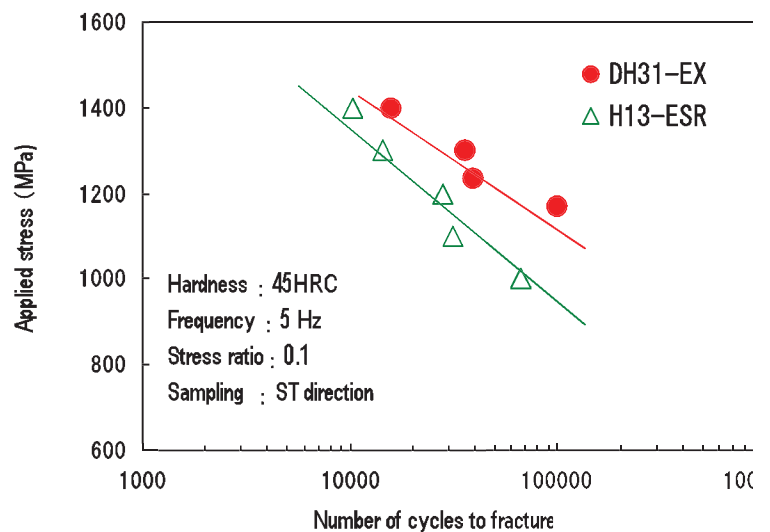
## Softening resistance



## Toughness

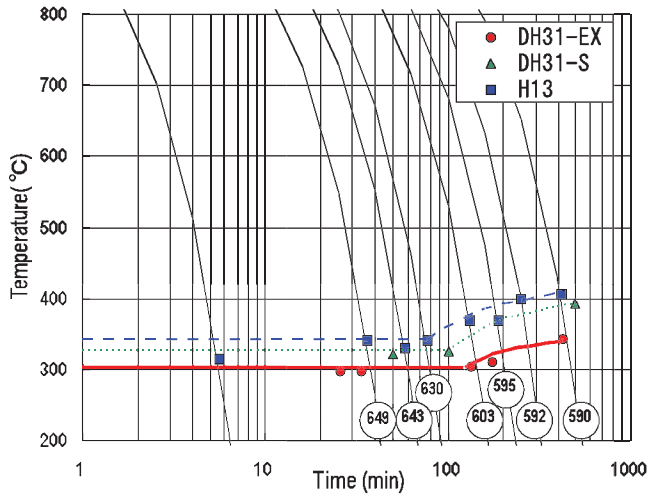


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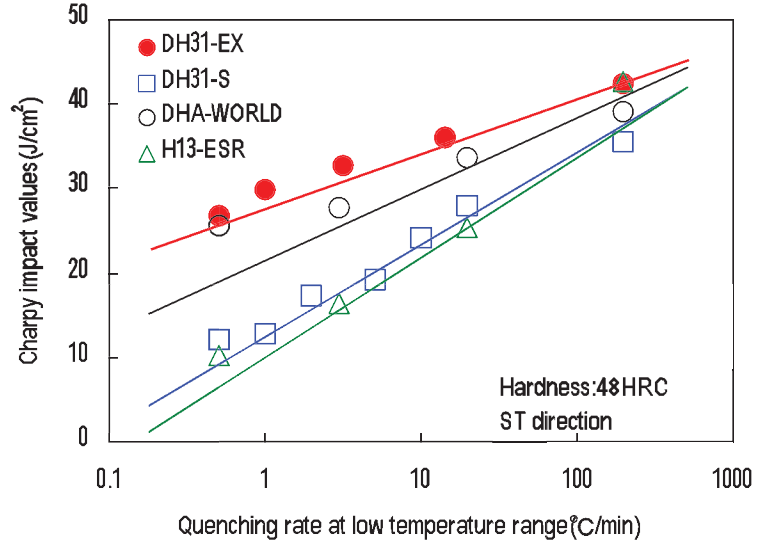


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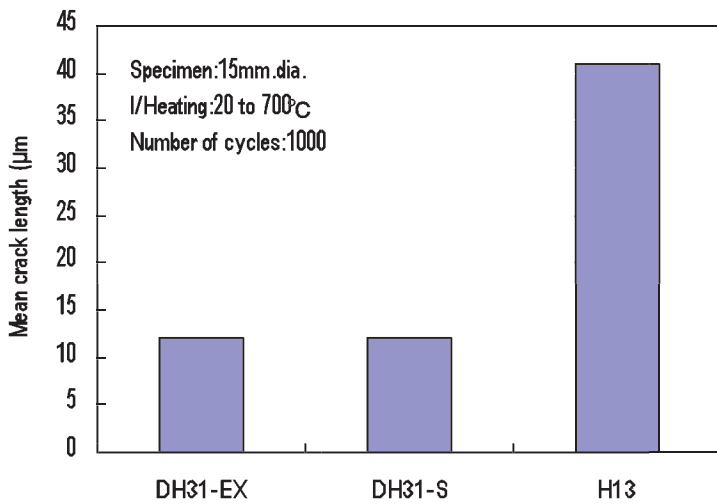
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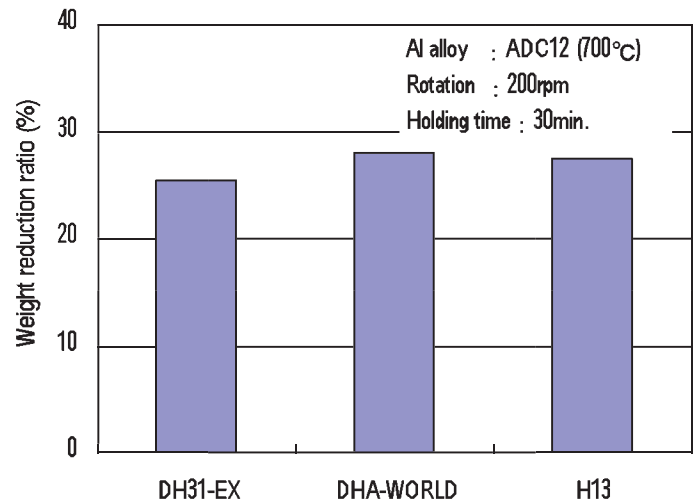
## Quenching rate vs. Toughness



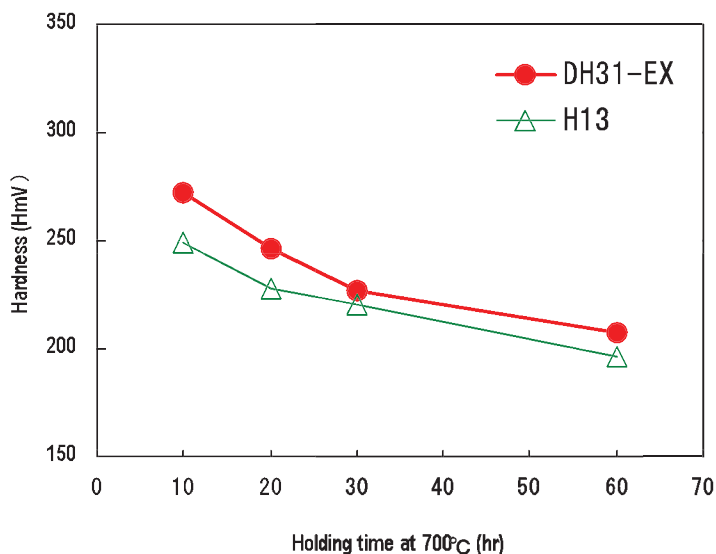
## Heat checking resistance



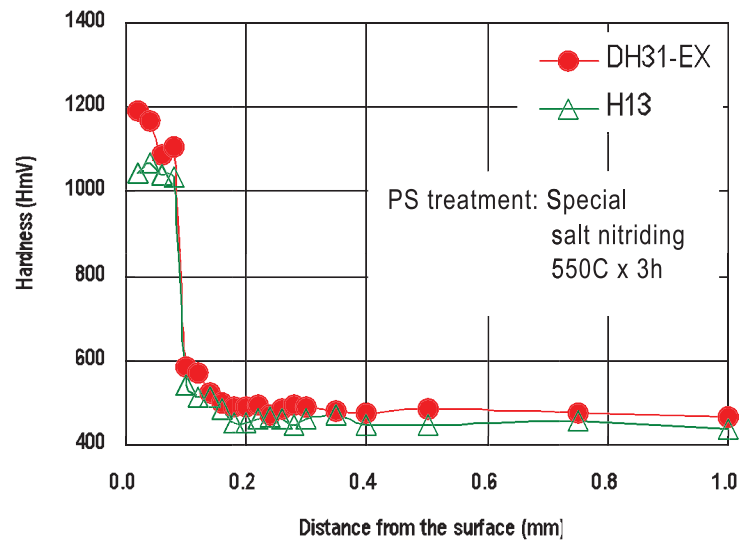
## Al erosion resistance



## Hot hardness

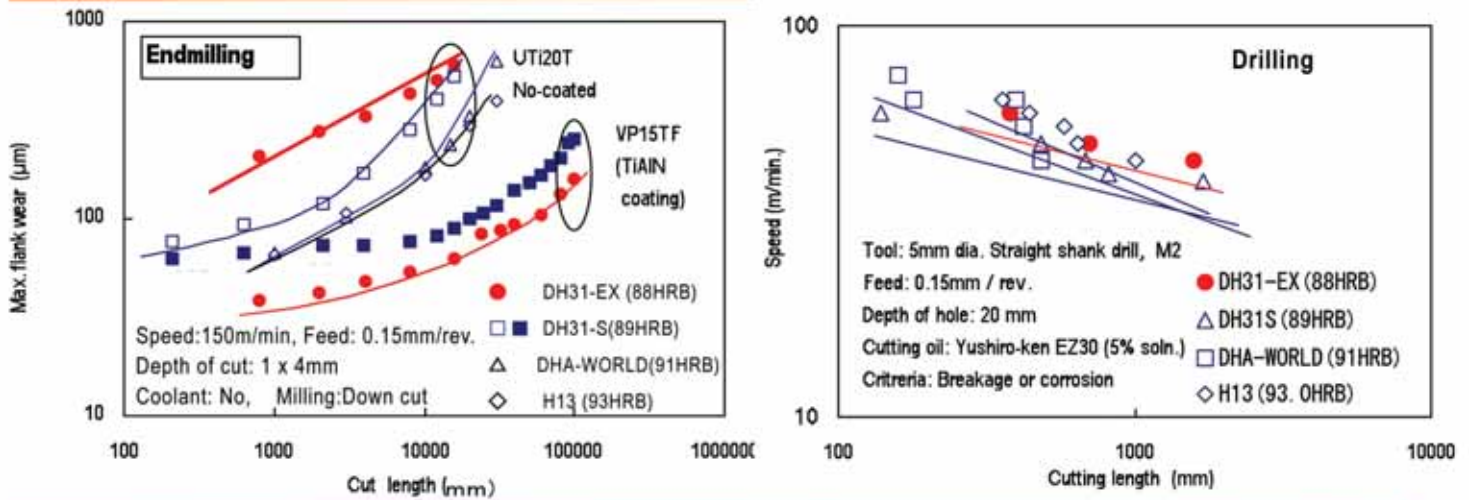


## Nitriding characteristics





## Machinability



## Thermal expansion rate

Temperature	20~100°C	20~200°C	20~300°C	20~400°C	20~500°C	20~600°C	20~700°C
$\times 10^{-6}/\text{K}$	11.6	11.8	12.0	12.2	12.5	12.8	12.9

## Thermal conductivity

Temperature	100°C	200°C	300°C	400°C	500°C	600°C	700°C
W/m·K	26.7	27.9	29.0	29.4	29.7	30.0	29.5

## Specific heat

Temperature	100°C	200°C	300°C	400°C	500°C	600°C	700°C
J/kg·K	487	527	572	626	703	802	985
[cal/g·°C]	[0.116]	[0.126]	[0.137]	[0.150]	[0.168]	[0.192]	[0.235]

## Density

温度	20°C
kg/m <sup>3</sup>	7800.0
[g/cm <sup>3</sup> ]	[7.80]

## NADCA Spec. #207-2011 Grade C



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