



Austempered Ductile Iron (ADI) Alternative material for high performance applications

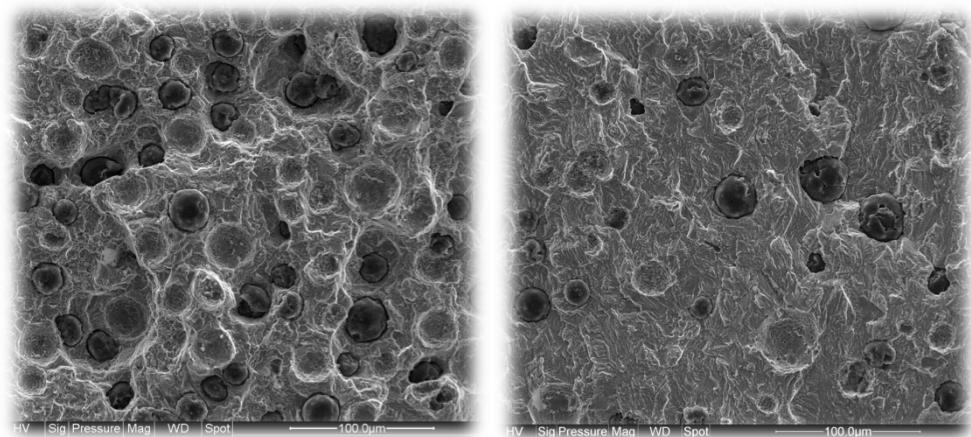
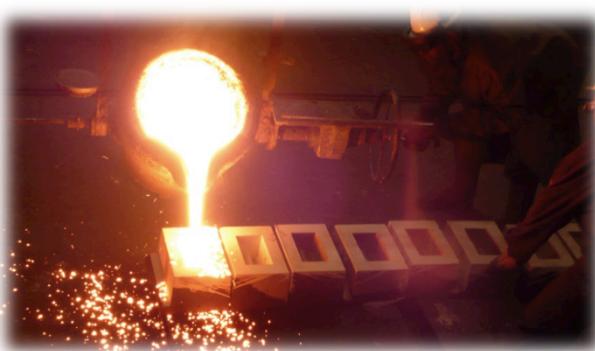
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AGENDA

- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ Experimental procedure
 - Foundry practice
 - As cast material
 - Heat treatment
 - Fatigue and fracture



- ▶ Results and discussion
 - Relative toughness
 - Fatigue behavior
- ▶ Conclusions



INTRODUCTION

► ADI Grades

	Rm [MPa]	Rp0.2 [MPa]	%A	Unnotched impact [J]	HBW 10/3000
ASTM A897M-15	Grade 1	900	650	9	100
	Grade 2	1050	750	7	80
	Grade 3	1200	850	4	60
	Grade 4	1400	1100	2	35
	Grade 5	1600	1300	1	20
EN 1564-2012	EN-GJS-800-10	800	500	10	250-310
	EN-GJS-900-8	900	600	8	280-340
	EN-GJS-1050-6	1050	700	6	320-380
	EN-GJS-1200-3	1200	850	3	340-420
	EN-GJS-1400-1	1400	1100	1	380-480
	EN-GJS-HB450	1600	1300	-	>450

INTRODUCTION

► Implications of high strength materials



High performance applications require advanced design approaches



Some standard properties become “go-no go” gages



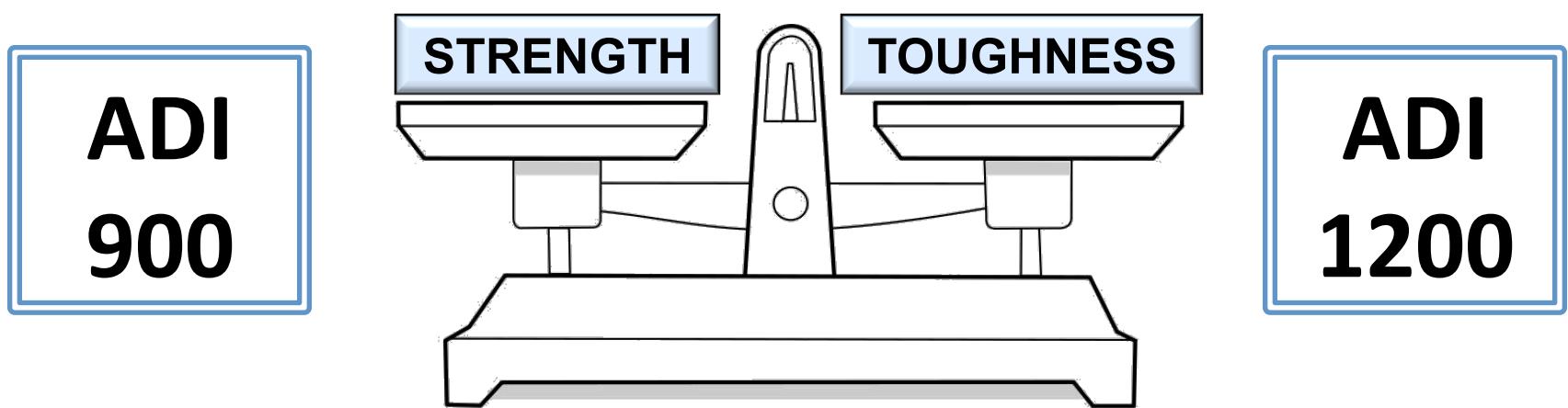
High strength introduces a Ductile vs. Brittle competition



ADI is an example of how design paradigms can change

INTRODUCTION

- ▶ Comparison of two ADI Grades in the frame of the following key points affecting the performance of high strength materials.
 - Does higher strength of ADI mean lower toughness?
 - How fatigue and fracture behaviors change the design scenarios.





EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

► SAMPLE MANUFACTURE

Industrial
foundry
practice

ADILAN



Austempering
Heat
Treatment



Toughness
and fatigue
study



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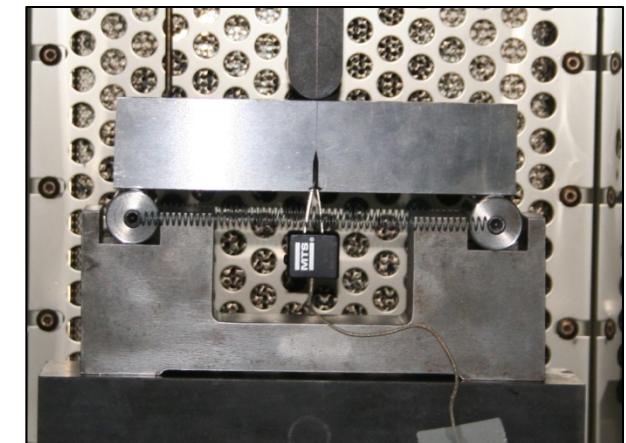
► REMARKS ON THE TESTED MATERIALS

- The samples are not manufactured at laboratory scale but under regular industrial production conditions.
- From the material point of view, the only variable of the process is related to the ADI grade, and more specifically, to the isothermal quenching temperature.
- The ADI Grades that have been used are GJS-900-8 (Grade 1) and GJS-1200-3 (Grade 3).
- The conventional tests have been performed in “as cast” condition and “heat treated” condition to ensure that materials represent the target standard grades.

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

► FRACTURE AND FATIGUE TESTING

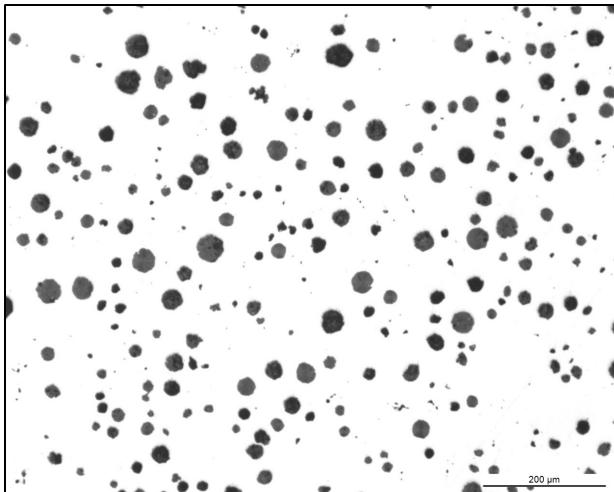
- Toughness test after BS7448-1
 - B(E) specimens dimensioned
 $W=25 \text{ mm} / B=12,5 \text{ mm}$
- Uniaxial fatigue testing after ASTM E466
 - Calibrated gage diameter $\varnothing 10 \text{ mm}$
 - Surface polished down to $<0,2 \mu\text{m Ra}$
 - Fatigue stresses proportional to $R_{p0,2}$



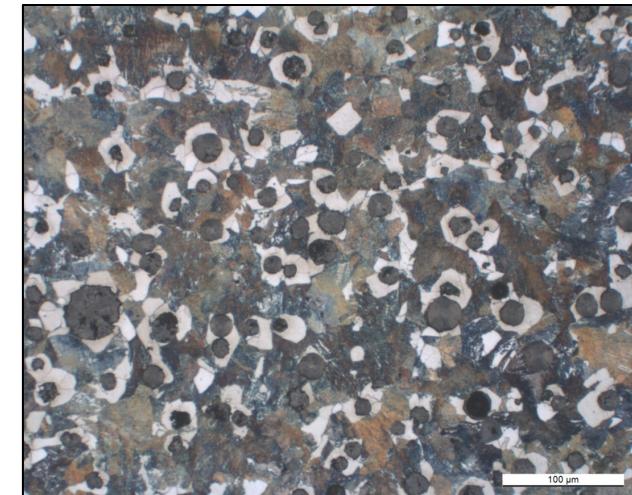
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

► AS CAST CONDITION

		Results in %														
		C	Si	Mn	P	S	Mg	Ni	Mo	Cu						
Target composition	min.	3,65	2,10	<0,25	<0,040	<0,010	0,035	2,30	0,20	0,70	273					
	max.	3,75	2,35				0,042	2,50	0,25	0,90						
Obtained composition		3,69	2,28	0,19	0,025	0,008	0,037	2,45	0,20	0,79	Tensile testing	R _{p0.2} (MPa)	R _m (MPa)	A (%)		
										625	852	4.7				
		Impact testing	KV (J)				Unnotched (J)				5	5	5	39	34	37
			5	5	5	39	34	37								



Nodularity %	Graphite density (nod./mm ²)	Ferrite/pearlite ratio
>90	200	20/80

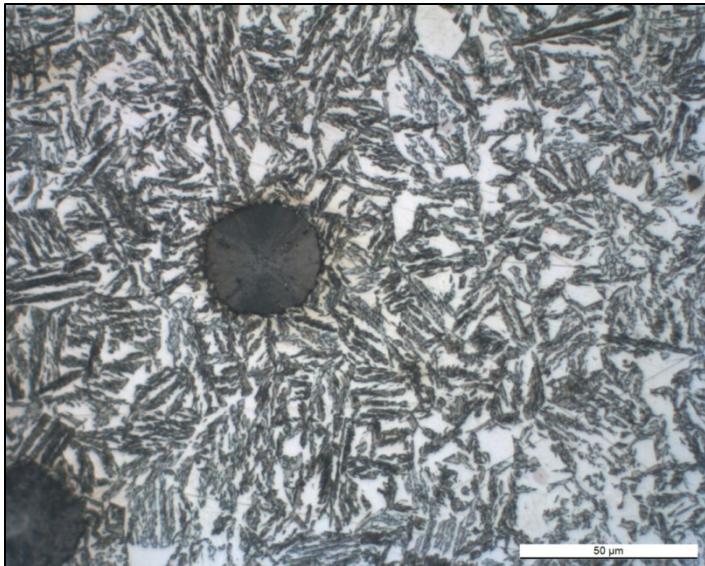


RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

► AS HEAT TREATED

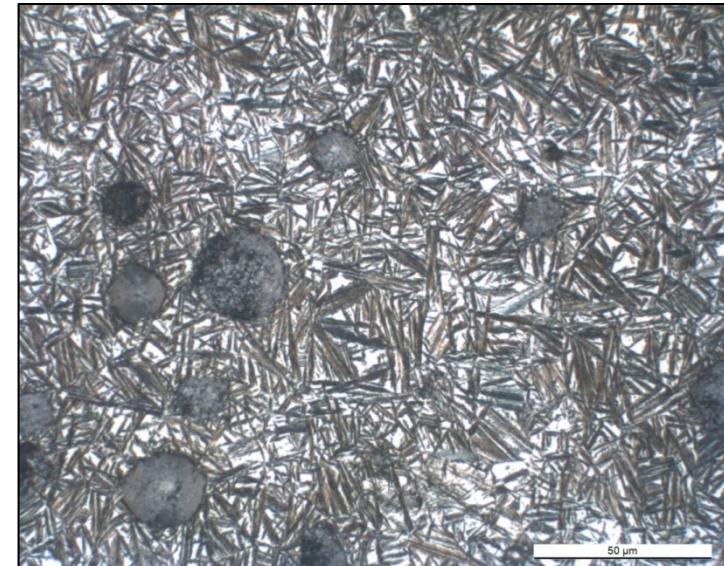
GJS- 900-8

Hardness (HB10/3000W)	314			
Tensile testing	$R_{p0.2}$ (MPa)	R_m (MPa)	A (%)	
	622	963	10,4	
Impact testing	KV (J)		Unnotched (J)	
	8	9	9	105 99 106



GJS-1200-3

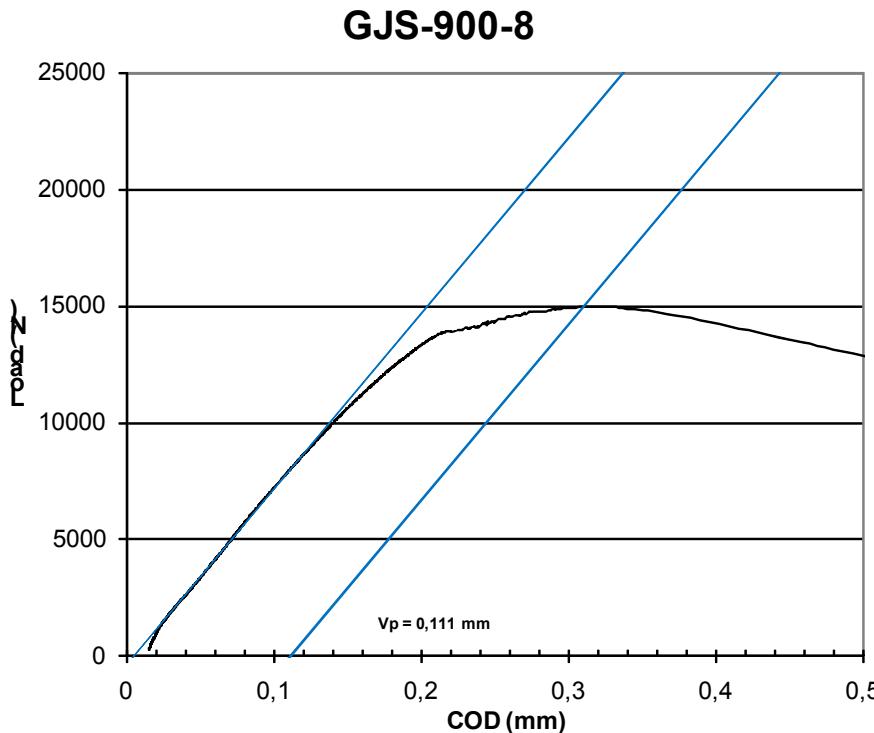
Hardness (HB10/3000W)	397			
Tensile testing	$R_{p0.2}$ (MPa)	R_m (MPa)	A (%)	
	1035	1260	9,8	
Impact testing	KV (J)		Unnotched (J)	
	7	7	8	104 102 94



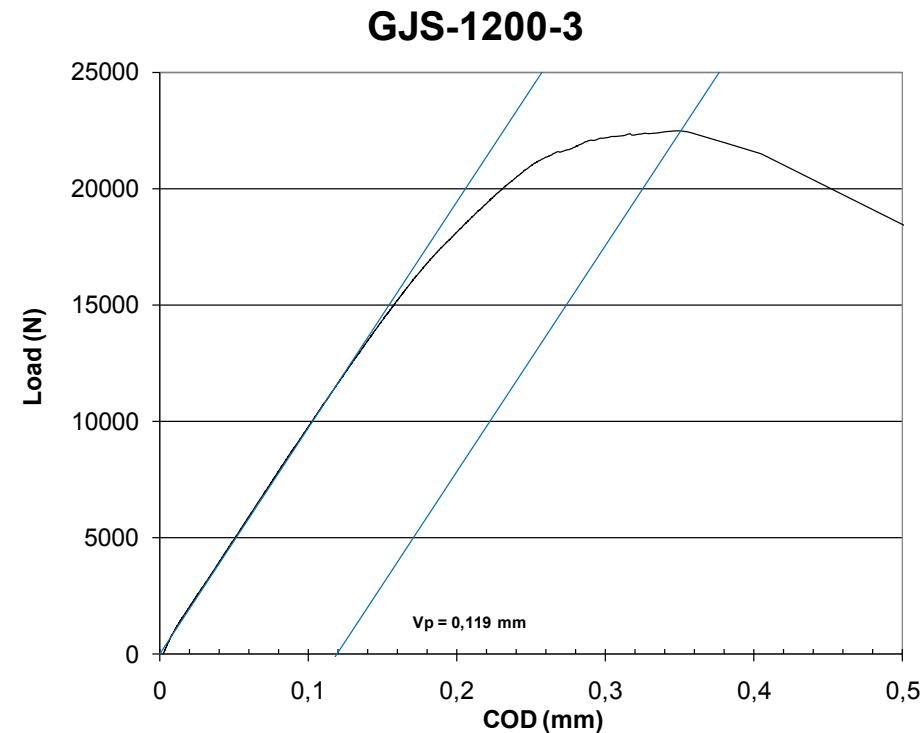
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

► FRACTURE MECHANICS

High strength grade is tougher!



Grade	K_Q (MPa·m ^{1/2})	δ_c (mm)
GJS-900-8	50	0.05
GJS-1200-3	64	0.05

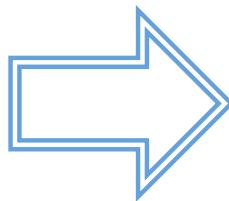


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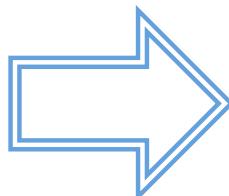
► FRACTURE MECHANICS

GJS-900-8

+ 33% R_m

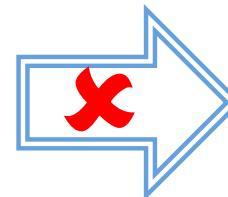


+ 24% K_Q



GJS-1200-3

More brittle design...



-33% weight



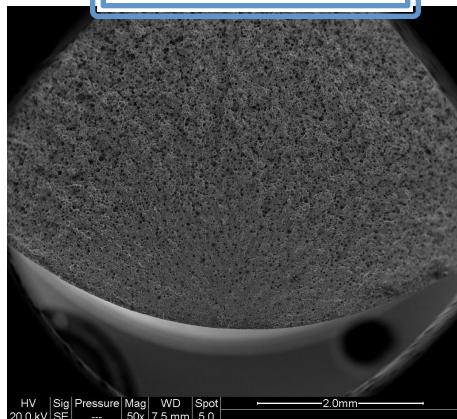
...not material

-24% weight

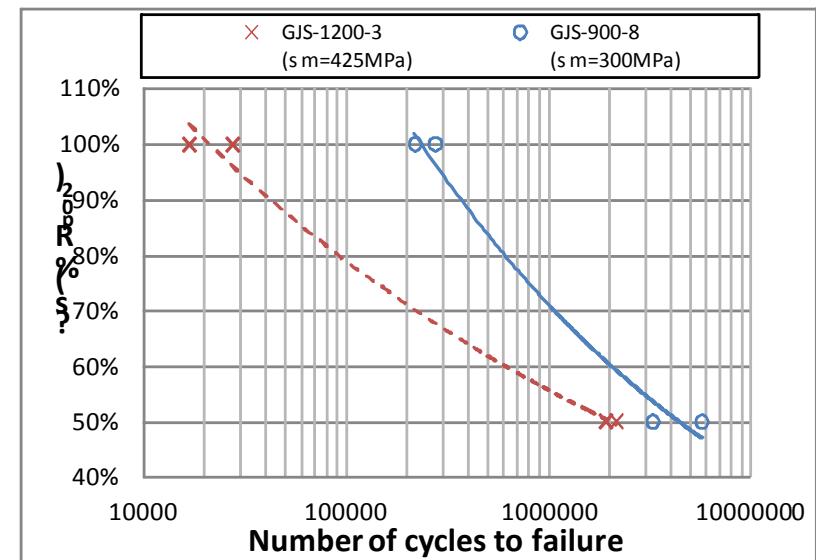
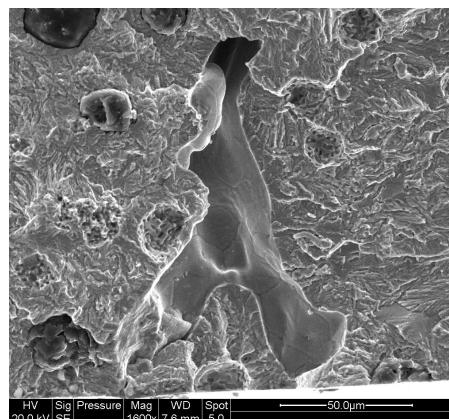
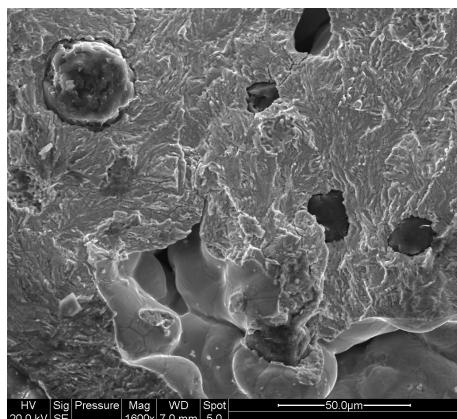
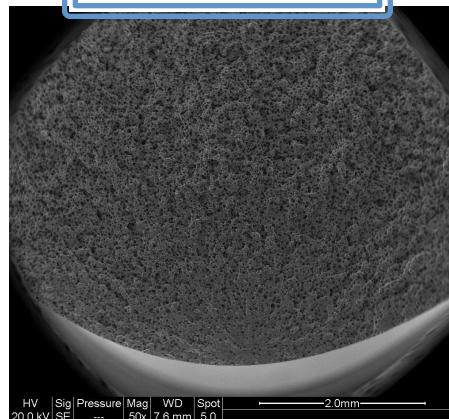
RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

► FATIGUE BEHAVIOR

GJS- 900-8



GJS-1200-3



The benefits of higher strength can not be directly implemented in weight reduction

CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ Micro-shrinkage sensitivity of the tested material conditions fatigue behavior. The extrapolation of the results is bound to reproducing the excellent foundry practice employed, that minimized shrinkage defects.
- ▶ GJS-900-8 y GJS-1200-3 Grades that have been manufactured for the study are able to develop plasticity on the crack tip and, thus, from a fracture mechanics point of view, they shouldn't be addressed as brittle.
- ▶ The ADI Grades are a solution for plenty of applications, provided fracture and fatigue are assessed during the design stage.



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