

Dream Series Daido's **DRM2**

Warm and Cold Forging Die Steel

 High hard and tough matrix type high speed tool steel

Features

Matrix type high speed tool steel available for warm and cold forging tools where critical performance is required.

DRM2 prolongs service life due to its higher hardness and toughness than those of conventional grades.

- ① Applicable with the maximum hardness 62HRC
- ② Fine microstructure contributes to high toughness and fatigue strength
- ③ Greater hardenability results in high performance even in large dies and gas quenching in vacuum furnace.
- ④ Double melting realizes clean and homogeneous steel with less non-metallic inclusions

Applications

- Warm forging dies and punches
- Cold forging dies and punches

Heat treatment

| Re-forging Temperature | Heat treatment conditions (°C) | | | Hardness | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| | Annealing | Quenching | Tempering | Annealed | Hardening / Tempering |
| Requested to inquire | 800~880 Slow cooling | 1050~1120 OQ, GC, Salt bath | 550~620 AC, ≥twice | ≤235HB | 58~62HRC |

OQ : Oil quenching , GC : Gas quenching in vacuum furnace, AC : Air cooling

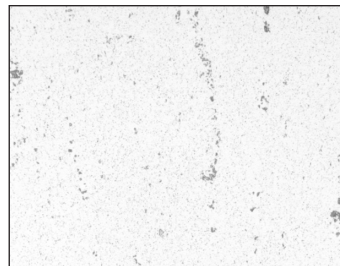
Microstructure (As annealed)

- Fine and uniform microstructure with less coarse carbides

DRM2 (Middle of 100 dia bar)



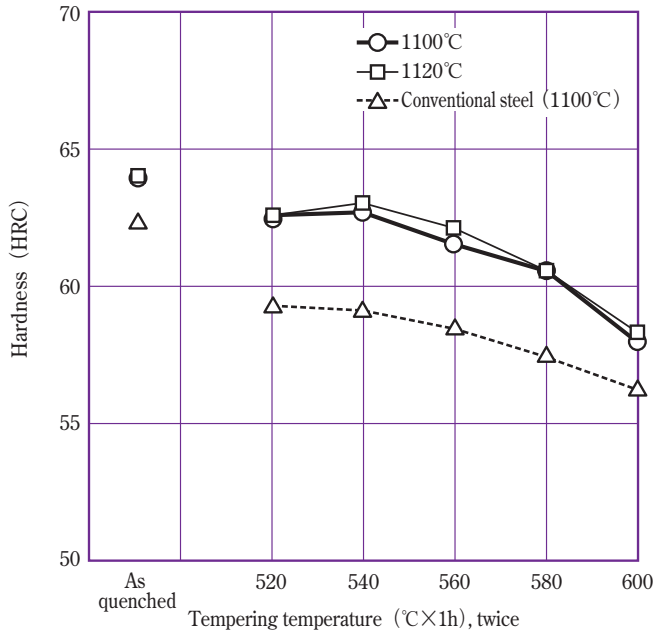
Conventional steel (Daido)



⟨Cr₂O₃ Electrically etching⟩

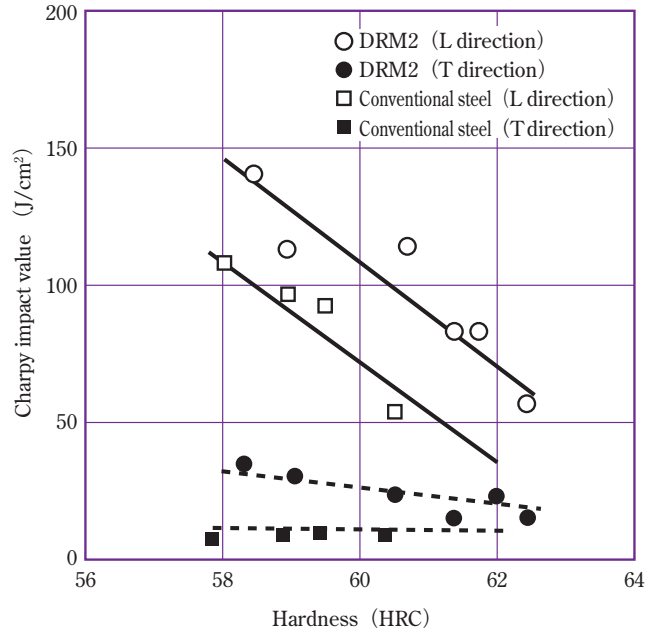
Characteristics

Tempering hardness



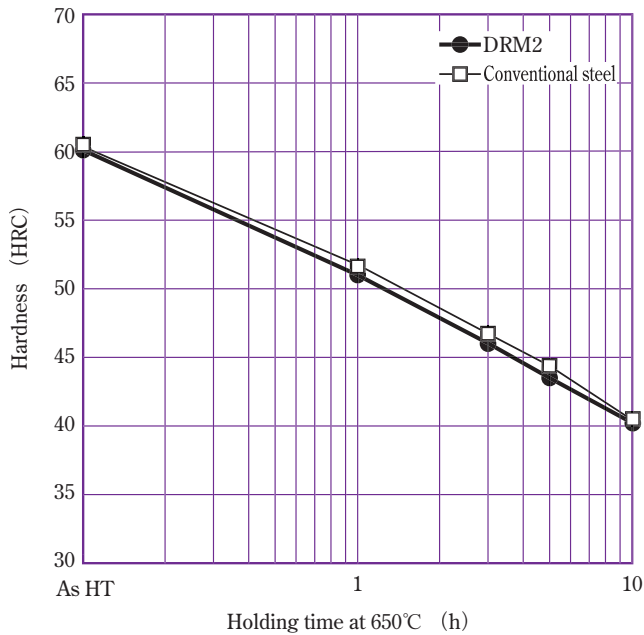
- Specimen : 15mm square
- Hardening : Oil quenching
- Tempering : Air cooling

Toughness : Charpy impact property



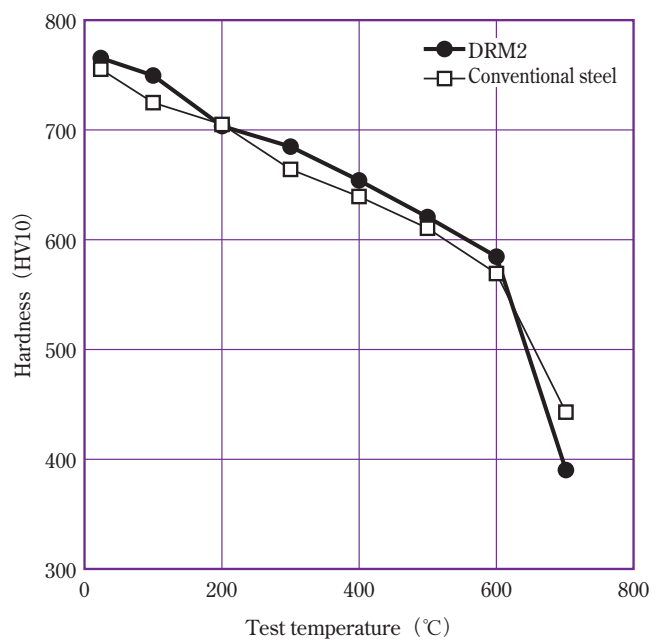
- Sampling : 100mm dia. Bar center
- Specimen : 10R notched
- Heat treatment : DRM2..... H : 1120°C OQ
T : 540~600°C AC, twice
Conventional Steel ... H : 1120°C OQ
T : 540~600°C AC, twice

Temper softening resistance



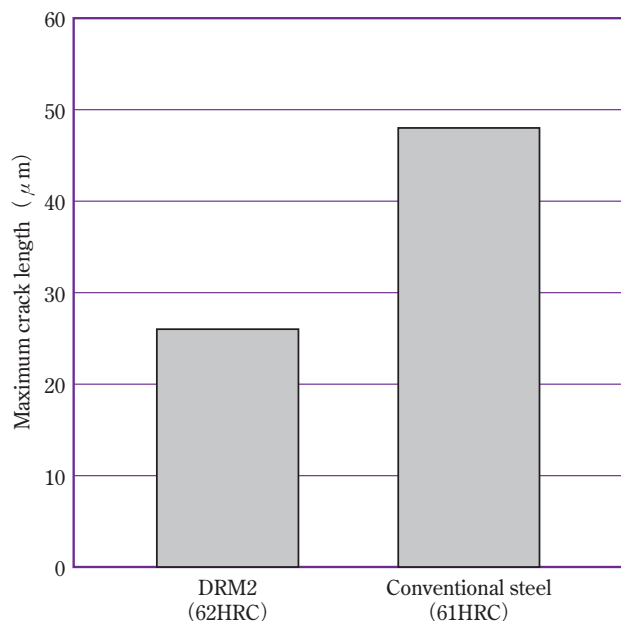
- Heat treatment : DRM2..... H : 1120°C OQ
T : 580°C AC, twice
Conventional Steel ... H : 1120°C OQ
T : 610°C AC, twice

Hot hardness



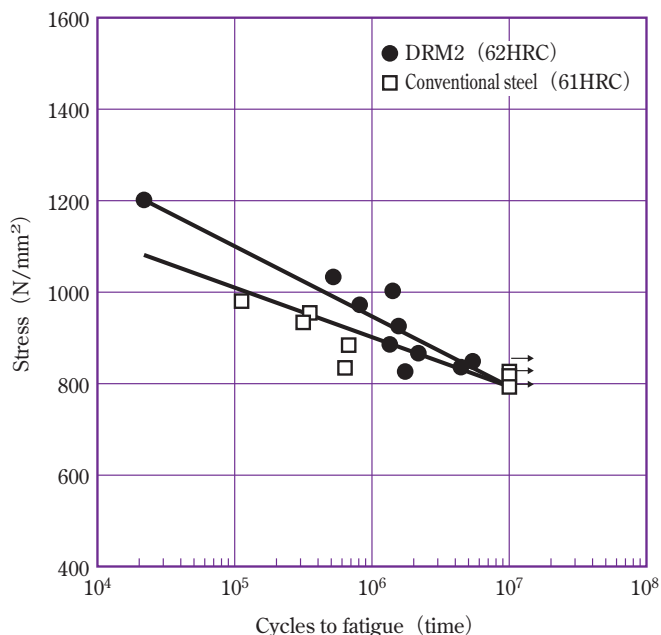
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Heat checking resistance



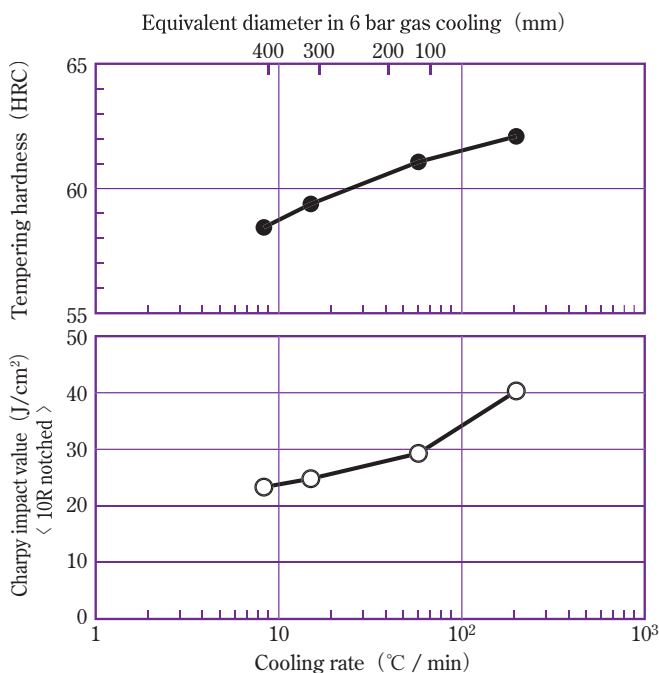
- Specimen : 15 mm dia. 10 mm thick
- Heat treatment : DRM2 H : 1120°C OQ
T : 560°C AC, twice
Conventional Steel ... H : 1140°C OQ
T : 560°C AC, twice
- Test method : Induction heating 20 ↔ 700°C (1000 times)

Fatigue strength



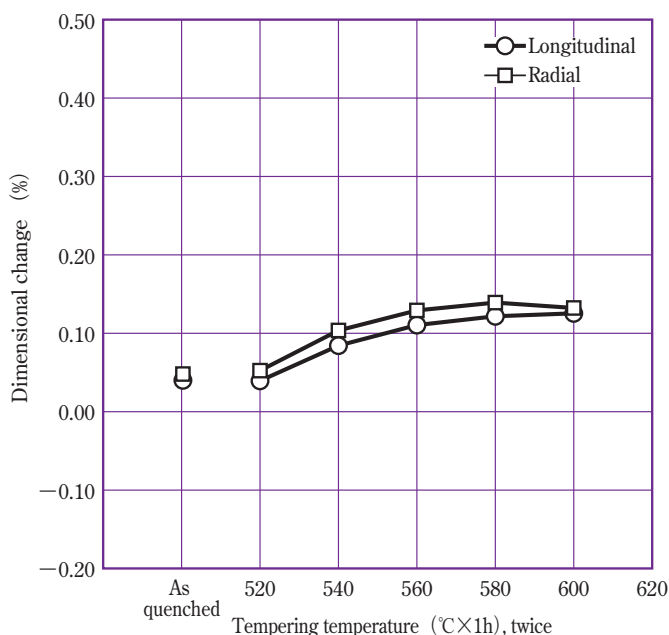
- Sampling : 100 mm dia. Bar center
- Heat treatment : DRM2 H : 1120°C OQ
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Conventional Steel ... H : 1140°C OQ
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- Test method : Rotating bending fatigue test (20°C)

Hardenability



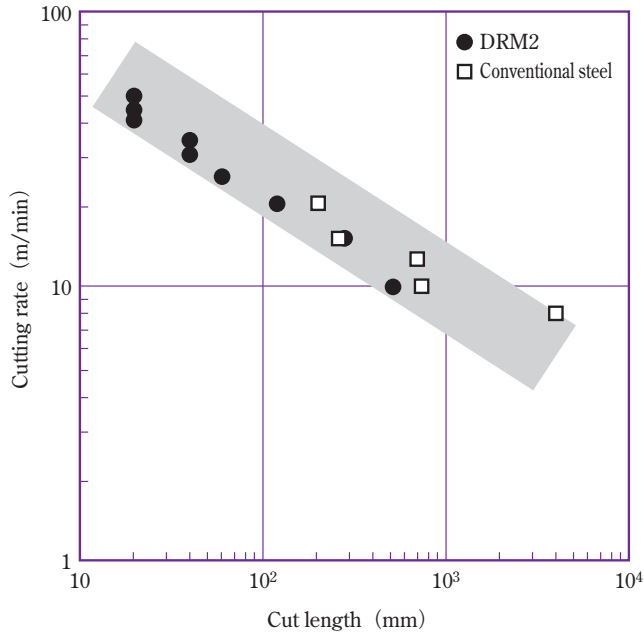
- Sampling : 100mm dia. Bar center
- Heat treatment : H : 1120°C (200°C / min → equal to OQ)
T : 560°C AC, twice

Dimensional changes in heat treatment



- Specimen : 36mm dia. × 60 mm
- Hardening : 1120°C salt bath quenching

Drilling machinability



- Specimen : As annealed
- Tool : NACHI SD ϕ 5mm (non-coated)
- Test condition · Feed : 0.15mm/rev · Hole depth : 20mm
- Cutting fluid : none

Physical Properties

◆ Coefficient of expansion

| | 20~100°C | 20~200°C | 20~300°C | 20~400°C | 20~500°C | 20~600°C | 20~700°C | 20~800°C |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| $\times 10^{-6}/K$ | 11.0 | 11.4 | 11.8 | 12.1 | 12.3 | 12.6 | 12.4 | 12.9 |

◆ Thermal conductivity

| | 25°C | 200°C | 300°C | 400°C | 500°C | 600°C | 700°C |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| W/m·K | 23.2 | 26.9 | 27.9 | 29.0 | 28.8 | 29.2 | 29.6 |
| [cal/cm·sec·°C] | [0.055] | [0.064] | [0.067] | [0.069] | [0.069] | [0.070] | [0.071] |

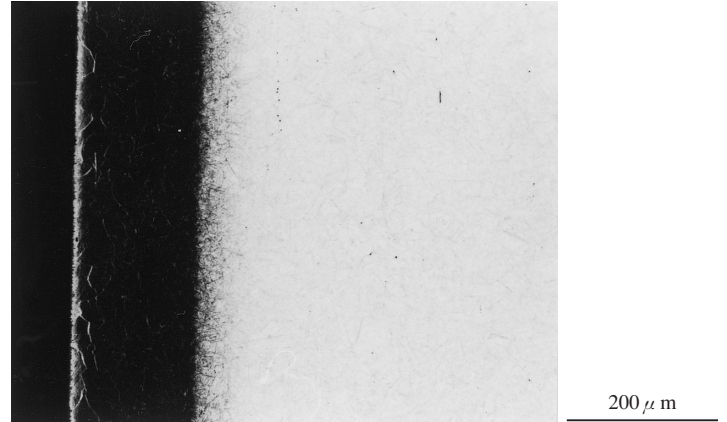
◆ Specific heat

| | 25°C | 200°C | 300°C | 400°C | 500°C | 600°C | 700°C |
|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| J/kg·K | 458 | 518 | 555 | 598 | 659 | 756 | 910 |
| [cal/g·°C] | [0.109] | [0.124] | [0.133] | [0.143] | [0.158] | [0.181] | [0.217] |

◆ Young's modulus 210 Gpa

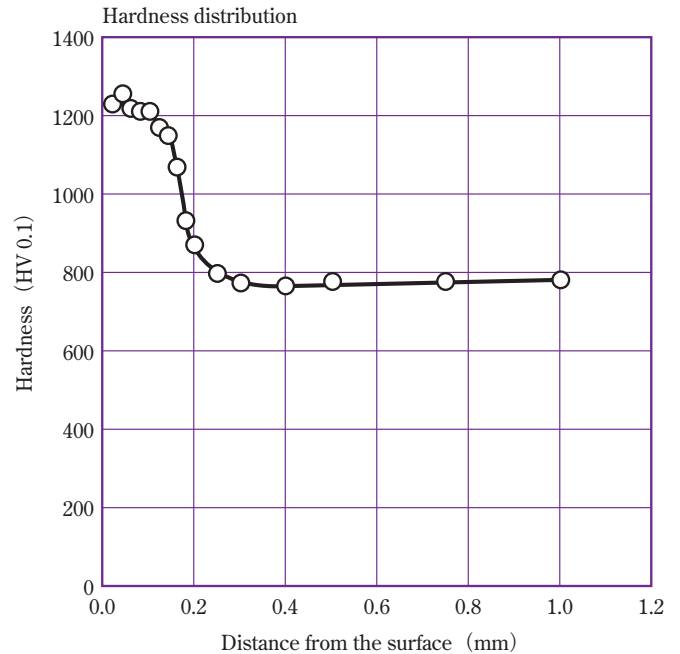
· Specimen condition : H : 1120°C OQ T : 560°C AC twice

Nitriding



An example of micro structure nitrided by PS process

- PS process
- Daido Amistar's originally developed process featured by high scuffing and erosion resistance



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