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# Thermal Analysis and Heat Treatment

Recording ZTU / ZTA Charts

Determination of Thermophysical Properties

Vacuum and Inert Gas Heat Treatment

Inductive Heat Treatment

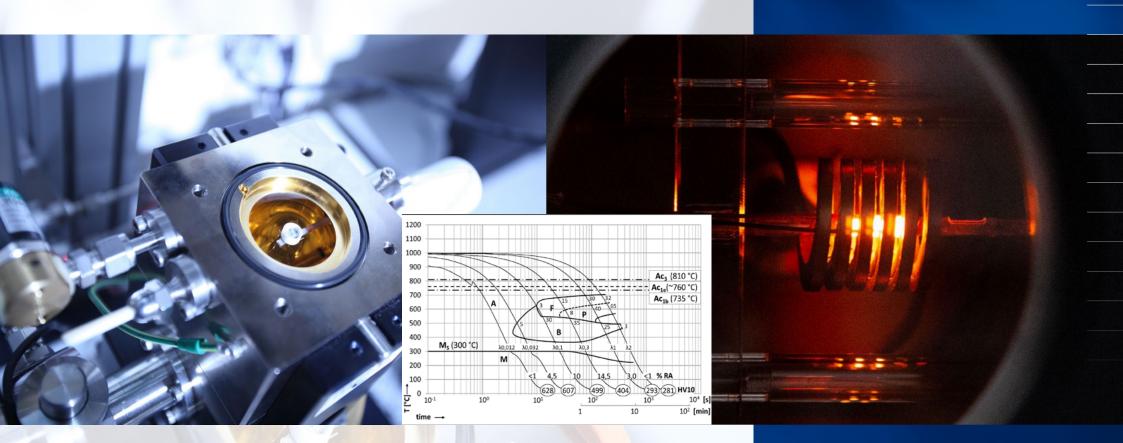
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## COMPETENCE & RELIABILITY

#### Recording ZTU / ZTA Charts



Customized recording of transformation diagrams of steels

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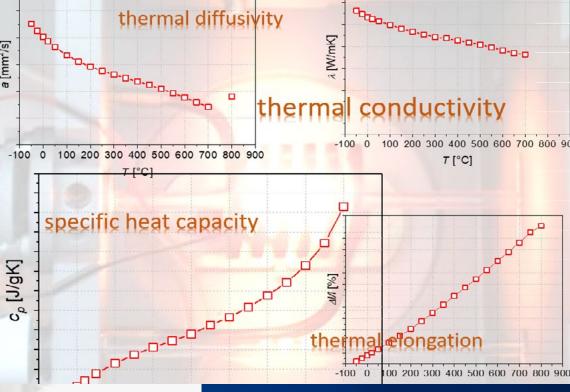


Dr. Angelika Spalek T +43-676 848883 461 Our Focus / Competences:

- investigation of steels, in particular highalloy, multiphase stainless steels
- physical simulation of heat treatment processes by means of quench dilatometer
- determination of time-temperature transformation diagrams as well as timetemperature austenitization diagrams

### **Determination of Thermophysical Properties**





#### Our Focus / Competences:

- determination of thermal diffusivity (-60°C to 1200°C) ٠ acc. to EN 821-2
- measurement of the thermal length change of solid • bodies(-150°C to 1200°C) acc. to DIN 51 045-1
- measurement of the specific heat capacity (-150°C to • 1100°C) acc. to EN 821-3(\*)
- measurement of the dynamic modulus of elasticity (20°C to 900°C) acc. to EN 820-5 (\*)
- calculation of the temperature-dependent thermal ٠ conductivity
- measurement of electrical resistance/conductivity (20°C to melting point of metallic samples) (\*)

\*in coorporation with the Österreichisches Gießerei-Institut (ÖGI)

Determination of the basic thermophysical properties of metallic and ceramic materials or their composites

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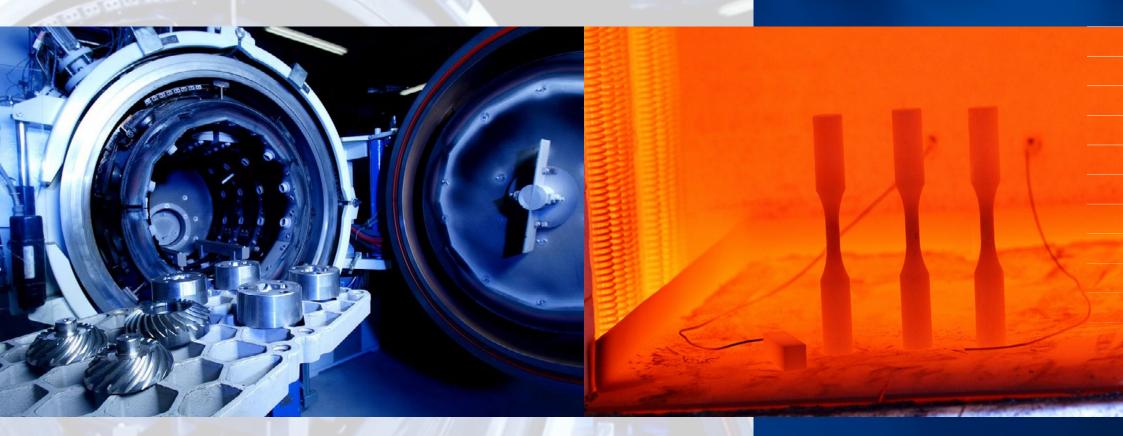




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#### Vacuum and Inert Gas Heat Treatment



standard and special vacuum heat treatments (hardening, annealing, tempering, ...) on specimens, components, small series or samples

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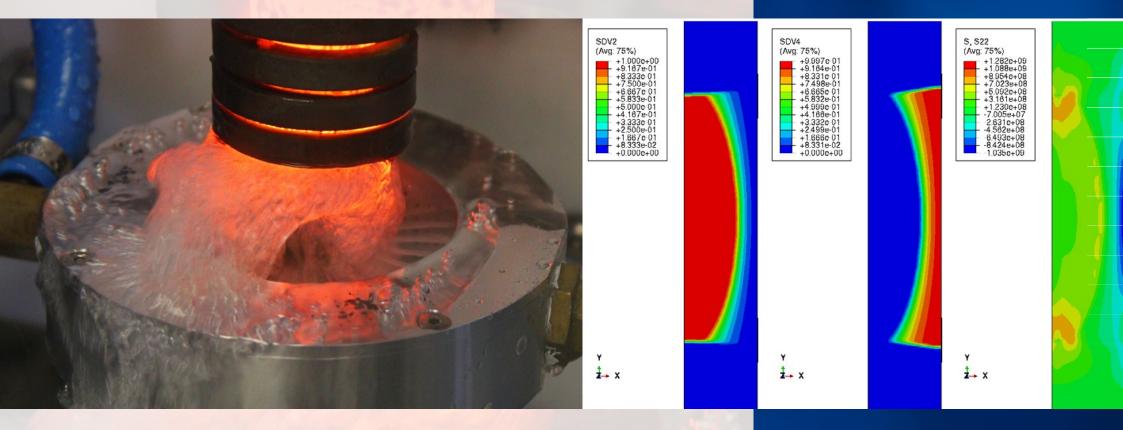
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Our Focus / Competences:

- individual, instrumented heat treatment processes under (convective) vacuum
- temperature-controlled heat treatment of samples and components incl. controlled quenching (lmin = 0.2)
- tempering or annealing under (convective) vacuum, inert gas (Ar, N<sub>2</sub>) or atmospheric conditions

#### Inductive Heat Treatment



Development of inductive heat treatment processes on bar material

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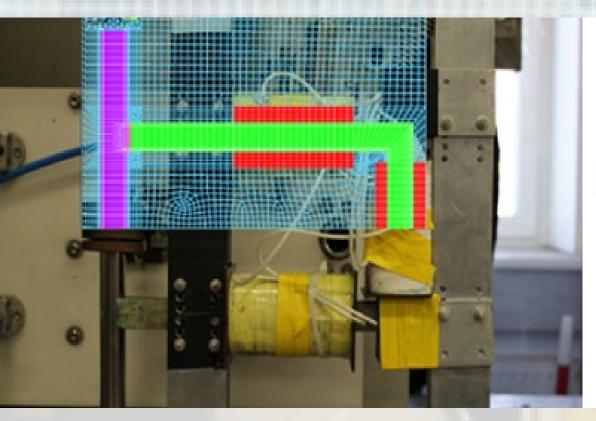
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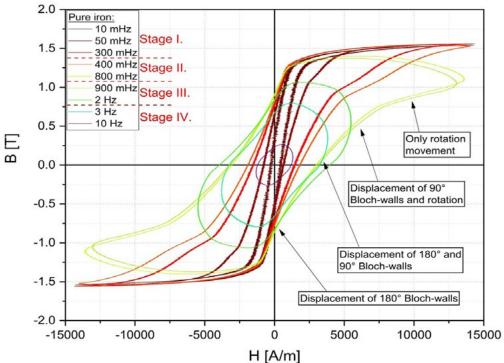


Our Focus / Competences:

- instrumented, inductive heat treatment with water or gas quenching for the development of heat treatment processes
- simulation of temperature, microstructure and residual stress distribution and development during inductive heat treatment

#### Recording of BxH Curves





Recording of temperature-dependent B-H curves for the finite element simulation of inductive heat treatment processes

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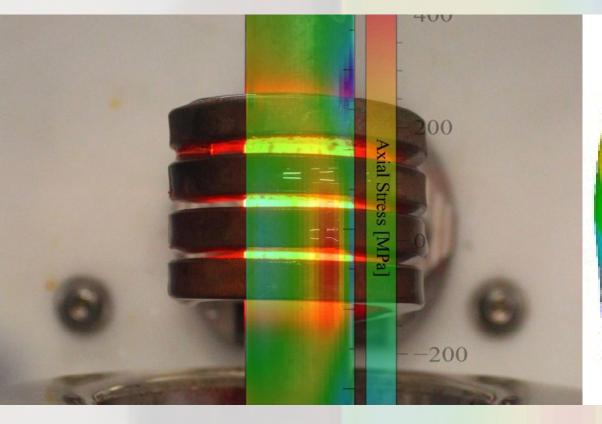


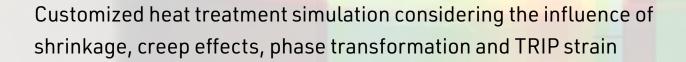
Our Focus / Competences:

- frequency- and amplitude-dependent • recording of material-specific B-H curves (U-yoke).
- application to macroscopic, easy-toproduce industrially suitable specimens (rod DM 22 mm).
- recording of B-H curves at room • temperature and elevated temperatures up to 1200°C.

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#### FE Simulation of Heat Treatment Processes



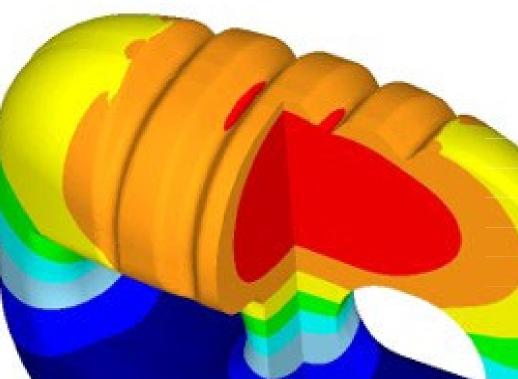


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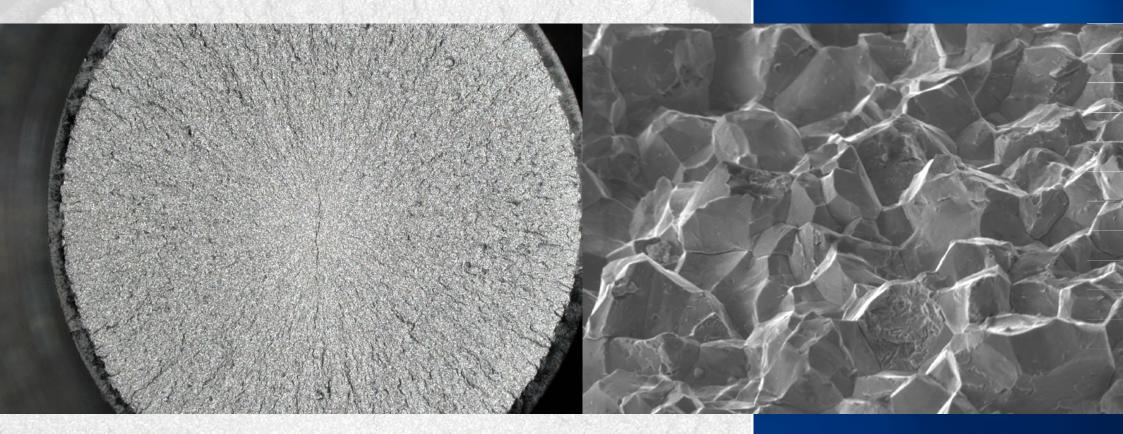
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#### Our Focus / Competences:

- analysis of (industrial) heat treatment processes with finite element simulation (e.g. crack-prone component positions, critical quenching conditions)
- simulation of the temporal development of stress distributions and stress peaks (e.g. due to shrinkage, phase transformation, TRIP effect)
- determination of the thermophysical data of the materials concerned required for the FE simulation, including the B-H curves for inductive heat treatment

## **Consulting and Process Development**



Consultation on the technical heat treatment of steels and performance of damage investigations on heat-treated components

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- damage investigations on improperly heattreated components
- improvement and advice on the technical heat treatment of steels
- heat treatment of steels, tool steels (cold, hot and high-speed steels), aluminum, titanium and nickel-based alloys
- sample heat treatments incl. characterization

#### Service Offer

- recording of continuous and isothermal transformation diagrams (ZTU / ZTA)
- experimental heat treatments (vacuum, inert gas, inductive) for sampling of components incl. metallographic microstructure analysis and verification of mechanical properties such as hardness, strength, impact energy or fracture toughness
- Finite Element (FE) simulation of heat treatment processes (temporal microstructure, hardness and residual stress development)
- consulting in the field of heat treatment
- damage analysis of improperly heat treated parts, tools and components and development of remedial measures

# COMPETENCE & RELIABILIT

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#### Equipment

 quenching dilatometer DLI 805L from Bähr with inductive heating system (25-1300°C) and integrated gas cooling (N<sub>2</sub> or He)

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- systherms single-chamber vacuum furnace with integrated highpressure gas quenching system (max. 14 bar), oven chamber: 400 x 400 x 600 mm (B x H x L)
- protective gas furnace (N<sub>2</sub> or Ar) up to 1200°C (oven chamber: 400 x 300 x 600 mm)
- various air circulation chamber furnaces (tempering furnaces) up to 700°C (oven chamber: 220x200x495 mm) and up to 850°C (oven chamber: 350x400x500mm)
- industrial induction hardness equipment ITP for inductive hardening/tempering of test specimens (l<sub>max</sub> = 300 mm, Ø<sub>max</sub> = 30 mm) incl. water-, air- or inert gas quenching; vertical and horizontal operation; instrumentation by thermocouples
- laserflash system LFA 427 from Netzsch (temperature range from -60°C to 1200°C)
- pushrod dilatometer from Netzsch DIL 402 CD (temperature range from -150°C to 1200°C)

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