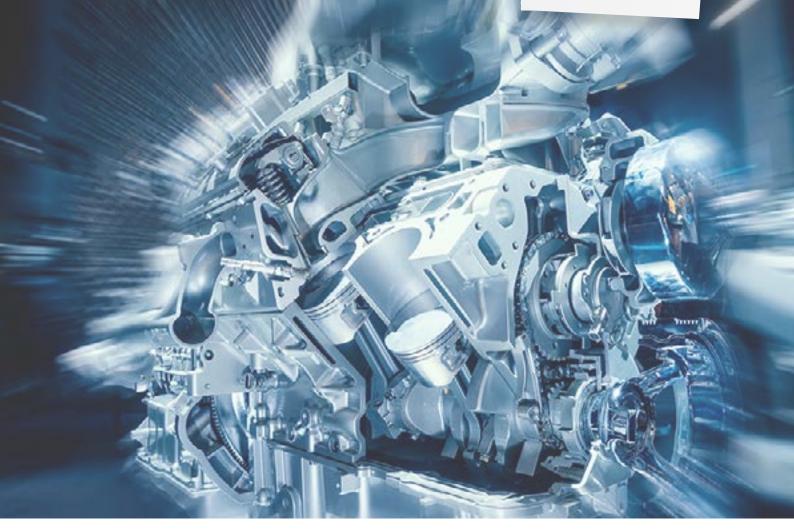


ENGINE PRODUCTS







Solutions with great performance & high quality



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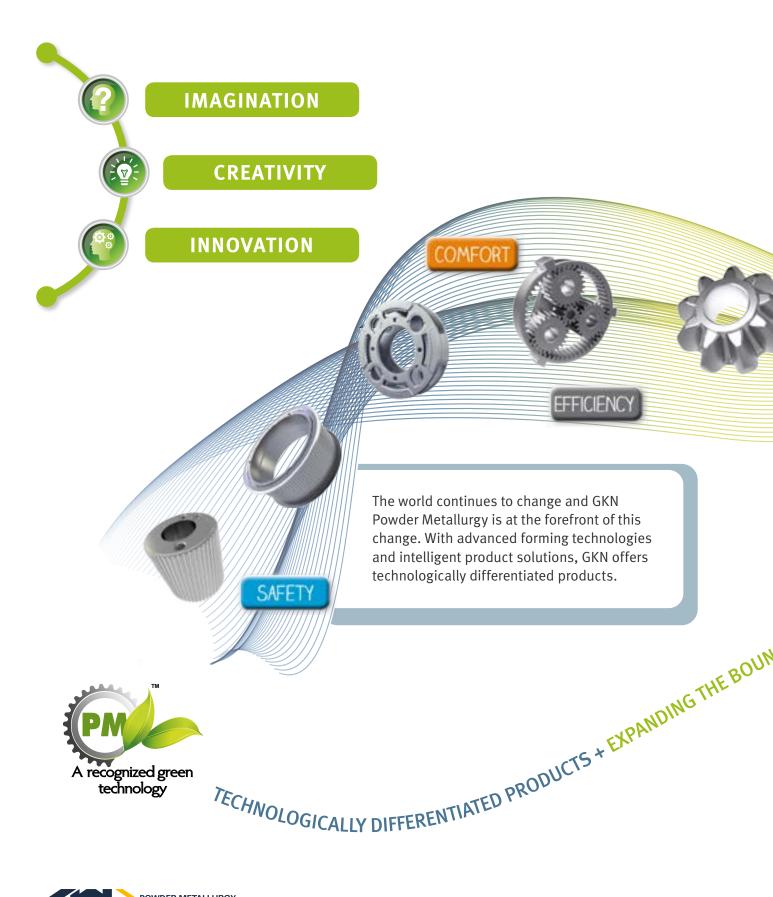
Our global footprint spans more than 13 countries across five continents. With more than 30 global locations and more than 6,000 employees we are always in close proximity to our customers.

ONE OF THE KEY APPLICATION AREAS OF POWDER METALLURGY (PM) IN LIGHT VEHICLES ARE ENGINE PRODUCTS. THIS BROCHURE PROVIDES INSIGHT INTO THE BROAD SPECTRUM OF INNOVATIVE PRODUCT SOLUTIONS WE ARE DEVELOPING AND MANUFACTURING HERE.

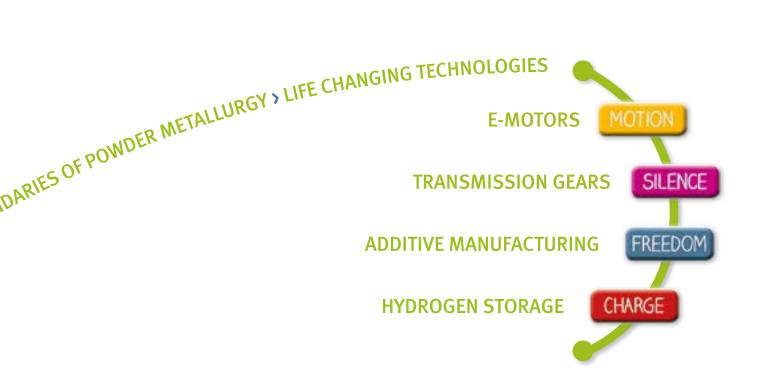
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PM IS AN AVENUE OF INNOVATION



Living the avenue of innovation, GKN is steadily expanding the boundaries of powder metallurgy in order to open up new areas of automotive and industrial applications for powder metal. We are focusing our research and development activities in providing further unique product solutions for today and to enable life changing technologies for the future.



ENGINEERING CAPABILITIES

3D DESIGN FREEDOM

GKN's capabilities and experience offers excellent opportunities to create highly complex, 3-dimensional products in powder metallurgy. Even undercuts can be realised with the sophosticated compaction technology developed by GKN.

This exceptional design freedom enables innovative and more efficient designs.

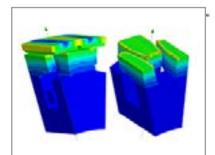


OUR INNOVATION CENTRES

As an essential building block of our company, the three innovation centers of GKN are supporting the development processes of our customers. The R&D centers are equipped with full size production facilities and advanced materials laboratories.

The analysis and simulation service of our R&D centers covers the entire life-cycle from the review of the technical feasibility of new ideas and technologies, up to the product development and production phase.







ENGINEERING

- GKN's global engineering team has the resources and expertise to optimise product design generating value for our customers
- ~ 550 highly qualified engineers and designers

SIMULATION

- Structural mechanic simulation and system design
- Thermal simulation
- Electromagnetic simulation

DESIGN FOR PM

- Utilise GKN's know-how as a partner in product development
- Technology-oriented design for cost efficient production
- Reduced development periods
- Added value due to integrated functionality

ADVANCED ENGINEERING POWDER METALLURGY SITES



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MATERIAL CAPABILITIES

MATERIAL OVERVIEW

- Engineered powders optimized to reach mechanical and magnetic properties
- Know How on Characteristics of our material

METROLOGY

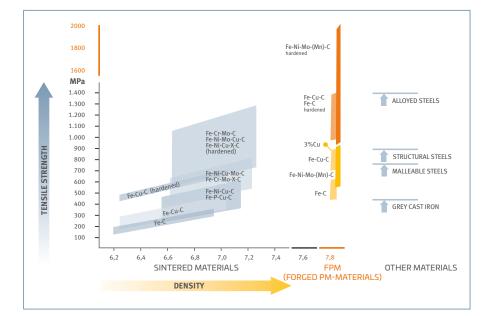
- B-H field meter
- Coercimeter
- Resistance test



MATERIALS & ENGINE TEST BENCHES

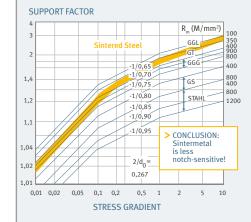
- In-house materials test center for tensile testing, service life tests, elevated temperature testing and tribological testing
- In-house variable engine test for performance tests, long-run performance and thermal performance





NOTCH SENSITIVITY

GKN has introduced a worldwide accepted correction factor to figure out the lower notch sensitivity of PM-steels. With that approach, the effective stress concentration of a notch in different materials can be predicted more realistically. Sintered steels are less notch sensitive.



FATIGUE ENDURANCE LIMIT

The estimation of fatigue endurance limits is an important step for GKN for the prediction of part durability.

The fatigue endurance limits and the scatter bands of sintered steels are comparable to those from conventional design materials. They can be influenced by density, alloying or heat treatment.

TENSILE STRENGTH

Sintered metal is light and strong. The weight advantage of sintered metal is based on its lower density at a comparable tensile strength. The density can be adjusted by customer specific compaction pressure.

ALL PM G-ROTOR PUMPS



The common pump design considers a mix of different materials. Due to different expansion factors of each material, this ends up with some perfomance drop in case of temperature variations during the real driving cycle of a vehicle.

The integration of an all-PMpump, which uses PM steel only, prevents performance loss. The expansion is uniform for all pump components and aides in better performance, saving of energy and reduction of CO₂ emissions.



KEY BENEFITS

- Tailor made design according customer needs
- S Long service life
- Reduced wall thickness
- Lubrication and actuation pumps
- High efficiency due to optimized clearances ends up in CO, reduction
- Excellent hydraulic volumetric efficiency
- PM net shape advantage reduces material waste and machining costs

POWDER METALLURGY

BALANCER WEIGHTS





Customer expectations for smooth running and quiet engines have increased the need for balance shafts which are added to engines to minimize vibration. Composite or modular balance shafts, made by assembling counterweights, drive gears and other components onto a tube, offer a lightweight and competitive solution.

Reduced weight variation assures balance shaft performance to offset engine vibration. Optimized geometries and tolerances assure accurate fit and simple assembly to the shaft and drive system.

- Unparalleled design freedom for optimized balancing and light weight
- Highly precise bore, profile and mass control
- Nearest to net shape design with reduced machining operations
- Supplied machined or only sized, depending on customer specific requirements

CAM CAPS IN ALUMINIUM



KEY BENEFITS

- Engineered light weight product – ready to install in engine
- Near net shape design only single line boring operation needed
- Designed for precise and low force installation, removal and reinstallation
- Integrated dowel option eliminates costly machining and dowels
- Lower friction during cold startup – due to oil retention in controlled micro porosity
- Unique material solutions: standard, heat treated, or metal matrix composite materials for increased strength and wear resistance at elevated temperatures

Camshaft caps (cam caps) are structural light weight aluminum engine components used to mount the camshaft to the cylinder head. They are used in internal combustion engines where increasing demands and complexity make them ideally suited to the PM process.

GKN's PM aluminum cam caps offer unsurpassed dimensional control, strength, wear resistance and oil retention characteristics. The combination of design freedom, net shape capability and the established performance of the PM process delivers a highly competitive solution, managing logistics and ensuring simple installation.

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CAMSHAFT COMPONENTS





The global automotive market for camshafts has been steadily transitioning from solid cast iron camshafts to lighter weight modular assembled camshafts to optimize performance and reduce finishing costs.

PM components offer a competitive and high performance solution.

- Elimination of induction hardening by one-stepsinter-hardening
- Reduced finish grinding improved dimensional precision or cam lobes
- Unique design solutions for dual profile cam designs
- Target wheels with complex net shape geometry & excellent magnetic material response

FORGED PM CONNECTING RODS



Connecting rods are key engine components that are the link between the piston and the crankshaft. This allows the reciprocating motion resulting from combustion to be converted into the rotary motion of the crankshaft. The energy is transmitted through the connecting rod, making this a highly stressed component.

Forged PM technology has a long and proven track record of meeting performance and competitive requirements for many customers and applications.

KEY BENEFITS

- Low reciprocating mass, high stiffness, optimized designs, efficient material utilization
- Class-leading strength and performance consistency due to fully homogenous alloy microstructure
- Highly consistent mass control – lowest number of weight classes
- Near net shape capability and fracture split notches enable for fewer finishing operations
- Machinability and strength matched to customer requirements
- In house performance validation and machinability testing

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GKN'S PRECISION FORGED

PM CONNECTING RODS ARE FEATURING

FRACTURE SPLIT NOTCH.



INJECTOR CLAMPS





Fuel injected engines require a clamp to retain the injector in place. PM technology has proven to be an effective and competitive solution for this application.

PM injector clamps are fully engineered products which leverage advanced designs, high strength materials and net shape capability.

KEY BENEFITS

- Engineered product ready to install
- Unparalleled design freedom and high strength materials to minimize size and weight
- Optimized clamping contact patterns



- Meat treated if required
- Nigh accuracy

No plastic deformation

MAIN BEARING CAPS





Main Bearing caps are used in engines to secure the crankshaft to the engine block. GKN pioneered the PM main bearing cap (MBC) and introduced the near to net shape "ready to install" engineered MBC to the market.

By focusing on improved materials and advanced designs, GKN has helped many customers optimize their engines and realize the most competitive, highest performance and lightest weight solution.

KEY BENEFITS

- Strength to Weight ratio better than ductile cast iron
- Delivered "ready to install"minimal crank bore machining required
- Geometry optimized for ease of installation, removal and reinstallation
- In-house validation and machinability testing

- Net shape, low material waste
- S Global capability: manufactured in three regions
- Reduced process steps compared to common technology, therefore higher quality aspect
- Flexible design possibilities

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ROLLER FINGER FOLLOWER





The 'roller finger follower' is an excellent example of how Metal Injection Moulding (MIM) design can integrate a variety of functions in a single component.

This part is used in the valve train of passenger cars as part of a cam follower system that is capable of shutting off a cylinder while the engine is running. Due to the high strength of the heat treated steel a lightweight design can be achieved.



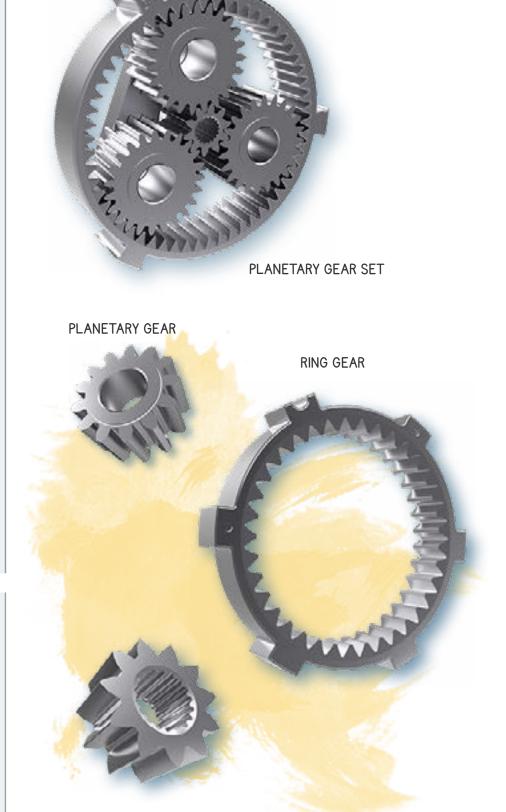
START-STOP COMPONENTS



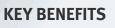
Start-stop technology in cars is increasingly prevalent as vehicle manufacturers seek to reduce CO_2 emissions.

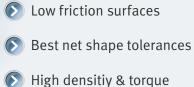
Ring gears ars one of the main components of the gear set in the starter motor and are typically made from plastic. Within the start-stop technology gears need to be stronger and more durable to withstand more frequent stress.

Creating the ring gears from powder metal provides a lightweight, high-performing solution, which is more resistant to wear and can achieve tighter tolerances.



MAIN PINION





- perfomance
- Custom-tailored tooth spline geometry

TIMING GEARS





GKN Sinter Metals produces high-performing gears for engine applications.

With the specific "design for PM" approach the manufacturing process is significantly reduced, limiting the need for machining, energy and waste.

- Reduced noise, vibration harshness (NVH)
- Net shape or near to net shape designs save machining at customers.
- Tailor-made PM design with multipart substitution and downsizing
- Enables light weight solutions
- Easy to assemble zero backlash solution due to reduction in the number of parts



TRI-OVAL PULLEYS AND SPROCKETS

Pulleys and sprockets are typically used in engines to drive crankshaft and camshaft timing systems. Complex geometry makes these products an ideal application for PM technology.

Net or near net shape teeth, weight reduction features and integrated drive features gives PM an advantage over other metal working processes.

With decades of design, engineering and manufacturing experience combined with advanced process and material solutions, GKN has helped many customers optimize their product designs according to the specific application requirements.



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TURBO/SUPERCHARGER MIM COMPONENTS



VANE LEVER

ADJUSTMENT RINGS

IMPELLER

VANE

KEY BENEFITS

Near net shape capabilities - only minor machining required

Unique high temperature corrosion and wear resistant materials

Proven manufacturing capability

Variable geometry turbochargers (VGT's) are designed to allow the aspect ratio of the system to adjust to the optimum pitch depending on engine speeds.

A key component in this system is a ring of aerodynamicallyshaped, movable vanes in the housing at the turbine inlet.

Complex geometry combined with a high temperature corrosive environment are ideally matched to the shape and materials capabilities of the Metal Injection Molding (MIM) process.

VALVE COMPONENTS



KEY BENEFITS

- Unique materials combine excellent valve lubrication and machinability
- Improved wear and scuffing resistance
- Improved lubrication by filling micro-porosity with oil by vacuum impregnation
- Near net shape only minimal finish machining required

Valve Guides: PM has proven to be the excellent solution for valve guides through the combination of unique wear resistant and self-lubricating materials, which provides an optimal combination of wear & scuffing resistance, lubrication and machinability. Inherent porosity helps in oil retention giving additional lubricity and reduced wear.

VALVE GUIDES

DUAL MATERIAL COMPACTION PRESSING TECHNOLOGY ALLOWS HIGH ALLOY MATERIAL IN VALVE SEATING AREA AND LEAN ALLOY MATERIAL AT BOTTOM.

KEY BENEFITS

- Unique materials combine excellent machinability, thermal conductivity and wear resistance
- Dual material compaction technology allows high alloy material in valve seating area and lean alloy material at bottom, providing both higher performance and cost optimization
- Fully dense matrix by copper infiltration enhances thermal properties and machinability
- High material utilization through near net shape capability which requires minimal finish machining

VALVE SEAT INSERTS

Valve Seat Inserts: PM provides the possibility of combining various alloy systems which allows application specific solutions ranging from 80cc engine to as high as 17.0L engine. Wear resistance at high temperatures, excellent thermal properties and very good machinability are the major advantages of PM valve seat inserts.

VARIABLE VANE PUMP COMPONENTS





Variable vane pumps can be adjusted so that the output is adapted to application demands. This allows for improved efficiency and lower energy consumption.

Due to the complex geometry and requirements for high precision and performance, PM technology has proven to be an ideal manufacturing solution for many challenging applications.

GKN supplies rotors, vanes and housing components and works on all PM pump solutions.







COMBINED VVT SPROCKET-

STATOR

In order to achieve requirements to reduce both automotive fuel consumption and CO₂ emissions, while also increasing performance, systems that optimize camshaft or valve timing are of increasing importance.

PM has proven to be an ideal solution for variable cam timing (VCT) and variable valve timing (VVT) components by facilitating freedom of design and delivering highly precise, complex products.

KEY BENEFITS

- Best net shape accuracy
- Compact light weight designs
- Reduced machining with multi part design
- Low friction with custom surface geometry
- Proven dimensional precision reduces internal oil losses
- Unique machining process simplifies deburring
- Induction hardened or low distortion sinterhardened sprockets

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STATOR VVT

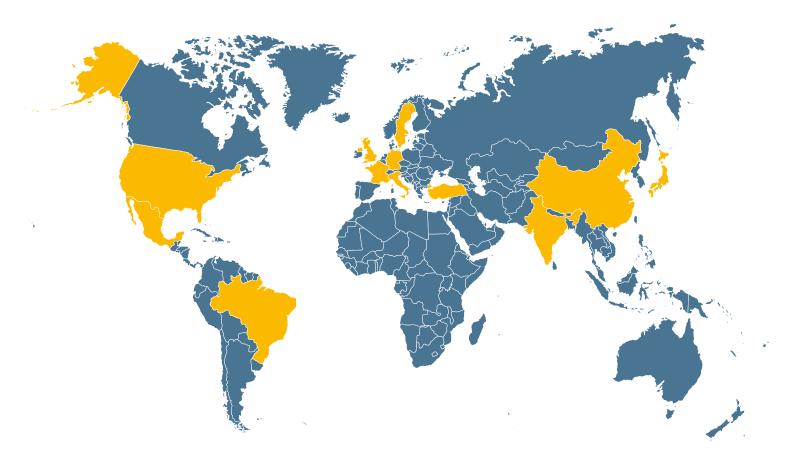
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