











voestalpine Group Cooperation's with Scientific Partners



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Scientific cooperations with

- Universities
- Research institutes
- Centres of competence
- CD-Labs

In following countries:

Canada, Belgium, Brasil, Germany, Finland, France, Greece, Great Britain, Italy, The Netherlands, Norwegian, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland, Slowakia, Slowenia, Spain, Czech Republic, USA

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Steel Division Organization of R&D							
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Business		Iron-Making, Steel-Making	Hot, Cold, Coated	SSC Pre- Processing			
Technical Services							
 Each business unit has it own product and process development "Standard" testing are done within the "Technical Services" 							
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Steel Division Main Focus for the Product Development

- Advanced high strength steel grades for cold forming
- Zinc coated grades (cathodic corrosion protection) for press hardening
- Zinc-Magnesium coating for an improved corrosion protection
- New organic coatings for household application
- Chromate-free passivation
- Electrical steel sheet with outstanding electro-magnetic properties
- Special steels for deepest pipelines withstanding highest pressure
- Materials increasing efficiency in the energy sector

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Steel Division Lab Processing / Main Guidelines for the Simulators

- Lab processing must be inexpensive and fast
- The simulators are focusing on the most important process and are not pilot plants
- Simulators should have a modular design for using them for different industrial processes
- In comparison to industrial lines process parameters can be varied in a significantly wider range
- Evaluation and feasibility estimation of new technologies
- Process parameters can be adjusted and monitored in a more accurate way
- All simulators are designed and built by voestalpine

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Steel Division Overall Processing Can be Done in the Lab

Hot rolling



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Steel Division Industrialization

- Clear procedure for trial production
 - Chemical composition and process parameters are selected based on lab results
 - Plant engineers are involved
 - Plant material are transferred to the lab for further processing
 - Based on the results adjusted processing parameters are suggested
- Clear procedure for further industrial steps
 - Strict monitoring of the process parameters and obtained results
 - Fine tuning of the process parameters based on feedback loops
 - Transfer of the responsibility from the R&D to the quality department

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