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Which materials can offer:

- The yield strenght of high end steels
- The elasticity of plastics
- Corrosion resistance like precious metals
- ISO 10993-5 compatibility
- The hardness of a tempered steel
- 6.0 in density



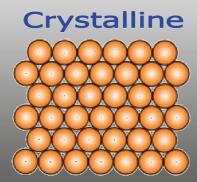
And which material gives you the possibility to:

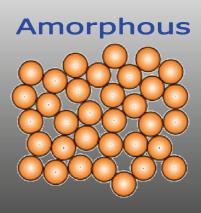
- Being injected in a mold as a finished piece, with a timing reduced by 70% compared to the MIM metallurgy (Metal Injection Molding)
- Being hot printed adapting perfectly the final shape

BMG

A new class of solid not-crystalline materials, including amorphous metals, commonly called "metal glasses". The **BMG** has been studied and used for a long time in the military sector and in space research. The zirconium and copper **BMG** alloys have an irregular not-crystalline structure, really hard and elastic (also titanium, iron and platinum alloys will be avaiable in the future as **BMG** components).

Today **BMG** and his unique mechanical and physical features is in everyone's reach.





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BMG structure has some important features.

Let's start with the structure: being amorphous allows the material to avoid dislocations, typical problem for the crystalline ones. Compared to the crystalline alloys **BMG** increases 4 times endurance, decreases stifness, giving an high level of resilience (the capacity to keep energy for plastic deformation and to release it).

A test that can show easily these features is to let fall spheres on a stainless steel surface and a metal glass surface. The spheres that will bounce on the **BMG** surface will last much longer (on our website the testing video).

The stainless one is plastically deformed and this causes a worse bounce due to lost of kitetic energy of the sphere.



Another **BMG** feature is the presence of glass transition temperature like the traditional glasses, in fact it's impossible to check the viscosity of **BMG** and model or work it between 280°C. and 320°C. degrees.

Bulk Metallic Glass

- Complex shaping "in one step"
- Elasticity/spring properties
- High Strenght (1500 MPa)
- Tight tolerances (like CNC)
- High reflectivity (polishes surfaces)
- High Hardness (HRc 53)
- Corrosion resistance
- Bio compatibilità
- CNC machining possible



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BMG-Liste

Alloys

| Vit 1b | Zr _{67,0 %} | Cu _{10,6 %} | Ni _{9.80%} | Ti _{8.80 %} | Be 3,80 % |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| Vit 601 | Zr _{62,5 %} | Cu 31,0% | Ni 3,20 % | Al 3,30 % | Be _{0,10 %} |
| Vit 105 | Zr 65,7 % | Cu 15,6% | Ni _{11,8 %} | Al 3,70 % | Ti 3,30% |
| Vit 106a | Zr _{70,1 %} | Cu 13,0 % | Ni _{9,90%} | Al 3,60% | Nb 3,40% |
| GMT | Ni _{76,0 %} | Cr _{8,50 %} | Nb _{5,20 %} | Pb _{9,40%} | Si _{0,30 %} B _{0,60} |
| Pt850 | Pt 85,24 % | Cu _{7,10 %} | Ni _{2,36%} | P 5,30% | ., |
| JPL | Zr _{41,0 %} | Cu _{7,00%} | Al 3,00 % | Ti 43,0 % | Be 6,00 % |

Properties

Alloys

| Parameter | Units | Vit 1b | Vit 601 | Vit 105 | Vit 106a |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Yield strenght | MPa (ksi) | 1800 (261) | 1795 (260) | 1850 (268) | 1800 (261) |
| Elastic modulus | GPa (10 ⁶ psi) | 95 (13.8) | 91 (13.3) | | 95 (13.8) |
| Fracture Toughness | MPa √m (ksi √in) | 55 (50.0) | 70 (63.7) | 75 (68.3) | 30 (27.3) |
| Density | g/cc (lbs./in³) | 6.0 (0.217) | 6.9 (0.249) | 6.6 (0.238) | 6.7 (242) |
| Glass transition (Tg) | C(F) | 352 (665) | 420 (788) | 403 (757) | 395 (743) |
| Crystallization (Tx) | C(F) | 466 (871) | 495 (923) | 469 (876) | 499 (930) |
| Mel temp (Tm) | C(F) | 644 (1191) | 753 (1387) | 805 (1481) | 837 (1539) |

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