



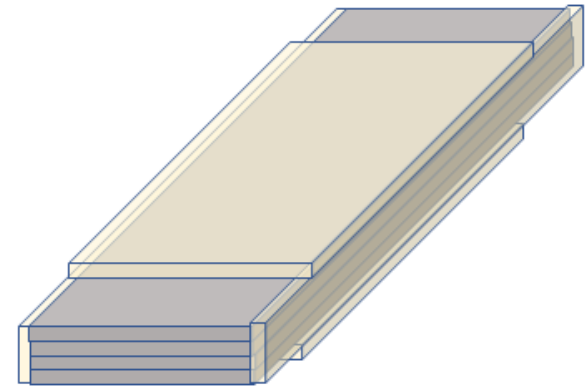
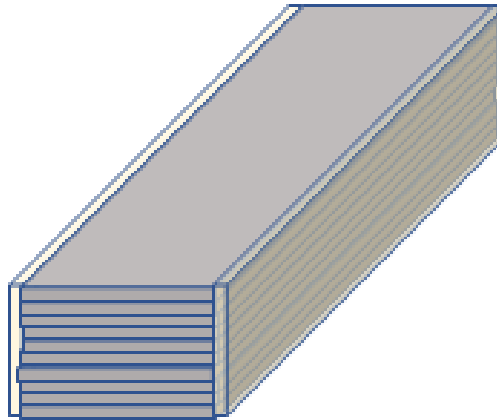
# ESSIAL

## Final infoday: Assembly process



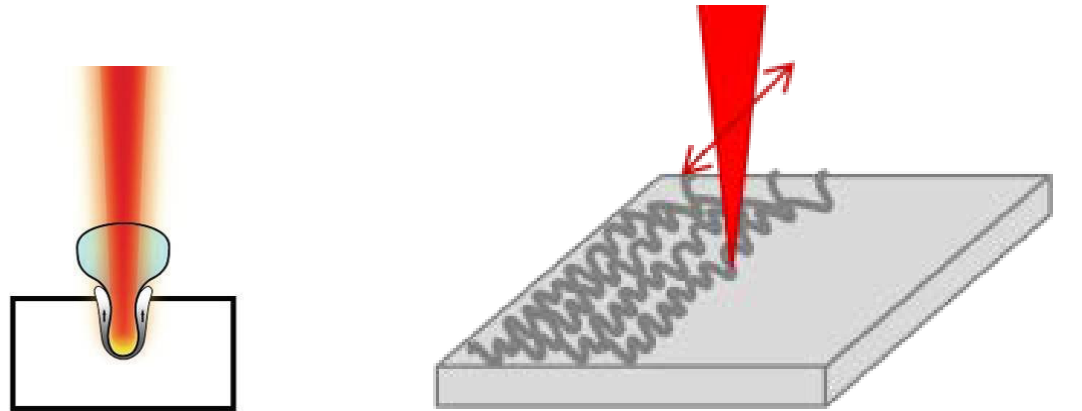
# Improve magnetic sheets assembly by means of plastic-metal laser welding

- It must create **sufficient bonding** at nominal temperature to keep strongly joining all sheets as well as allow an easy removal process.
- It must allow **avoiding screws**, which reduce overall efficiency.
- It must be **environmentally-friendly**, therefore the dismantling have to be easy

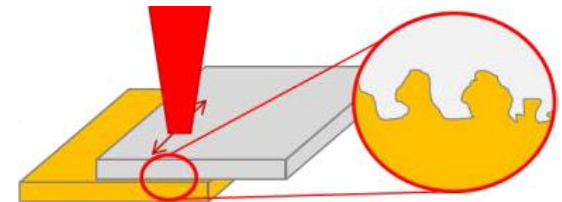
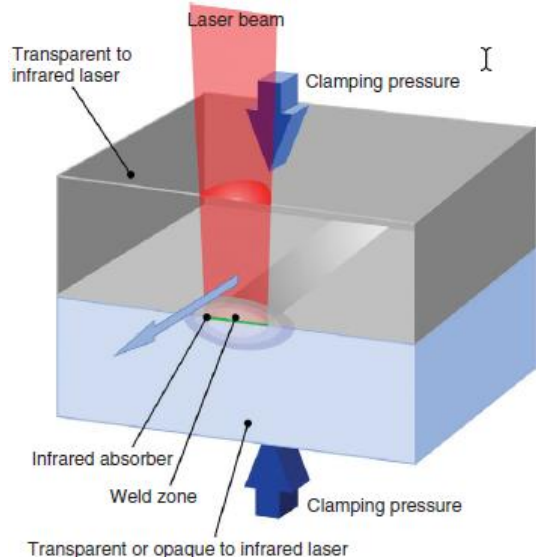


# Plastic metal laser welding

Laser radiation is used to ablate the metal surface and create microstructures with undercut grooves.



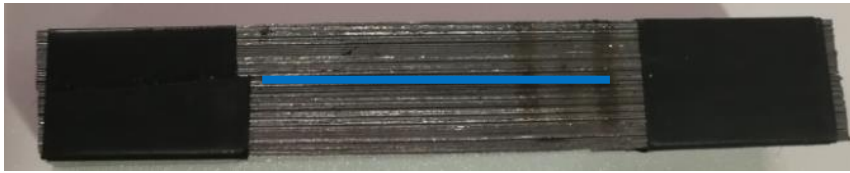
Plastic material is placed above the metal and a laser beam passes through the plastic to heat directly the metal surface. When the above plastic part is heated because of the high temperature in the metal surface, the plastic melts and expands into the microstructures. External clamping pressure is needed also



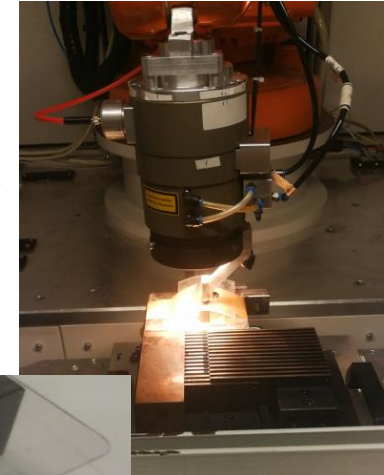
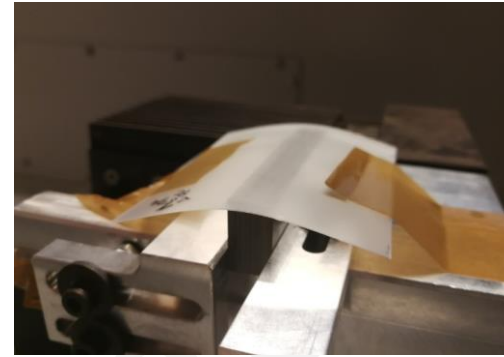
# Frist trial of assembling processes

## Study of joining without micro-structurations

Longitudinal direction



Transverse direction



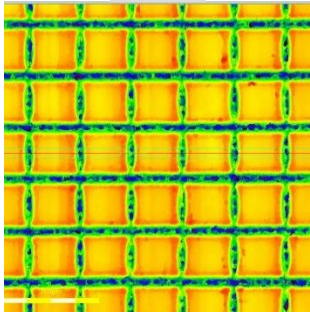
Metal sheets detached from the polymer sheet.

- Necessary to design and manufacture a new tooling for clamping
- Necessary to perform micro-structurations to ensure mechanical robustness

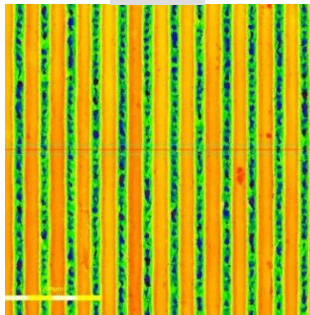
laser micro-structuration study needed

# Microtexturization process

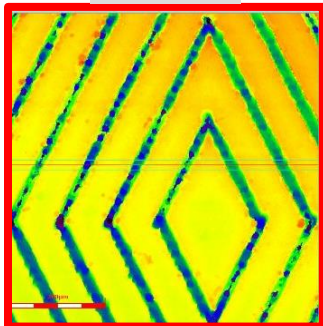
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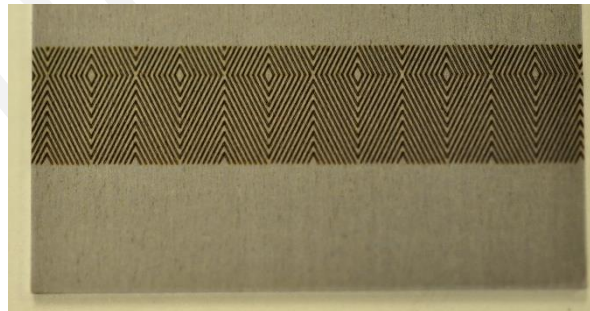


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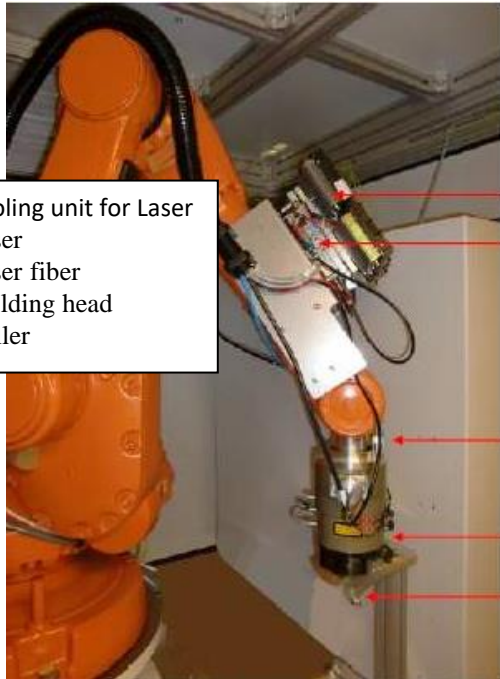


## Laser parameters study

- Power
- Frequency
- Speed
- ...
- Aspect ratio : depth/width



# Mechanical test

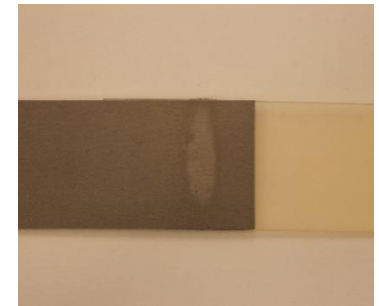
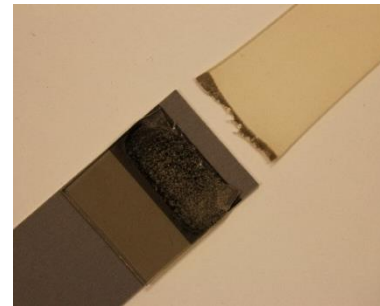
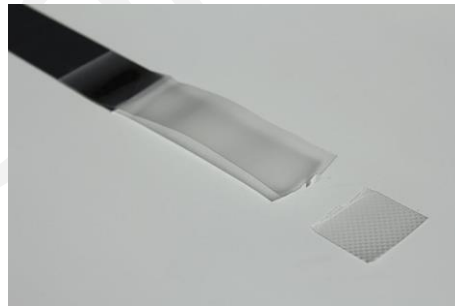
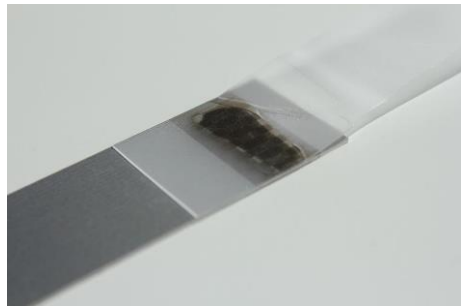


- 1 Cooling unit for Laser
- 2 Laser
- 3 Laser fiber
- 4 Welding head
- 5 Roller

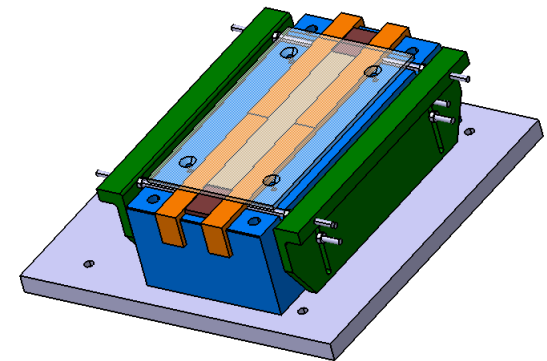
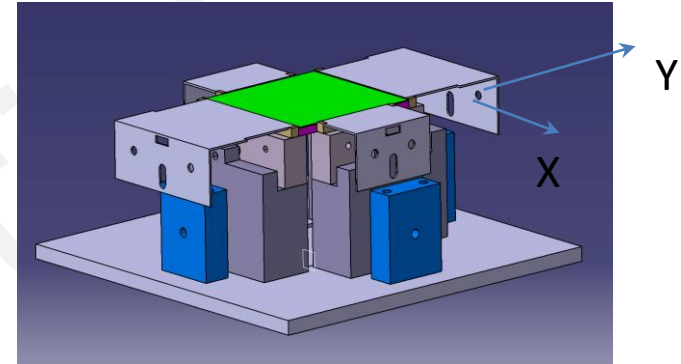
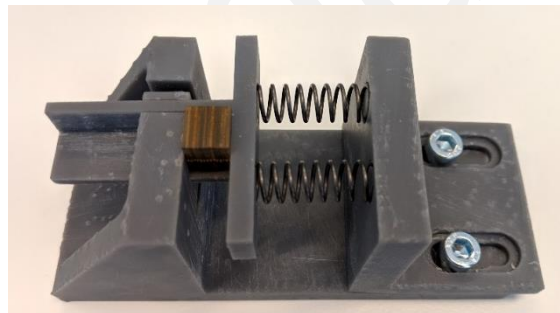
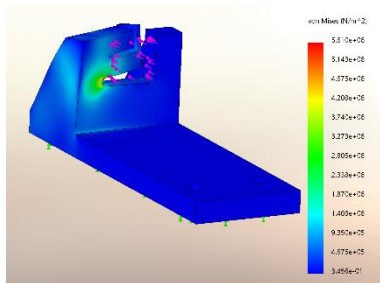
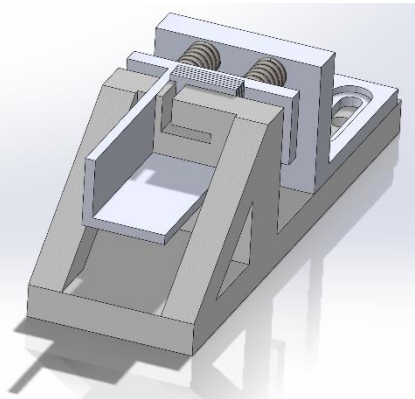
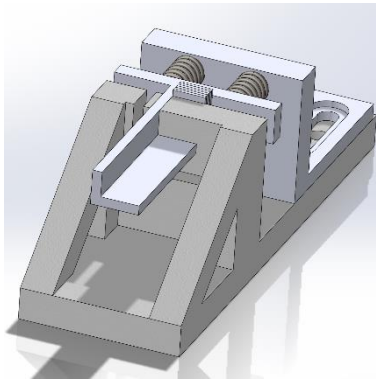


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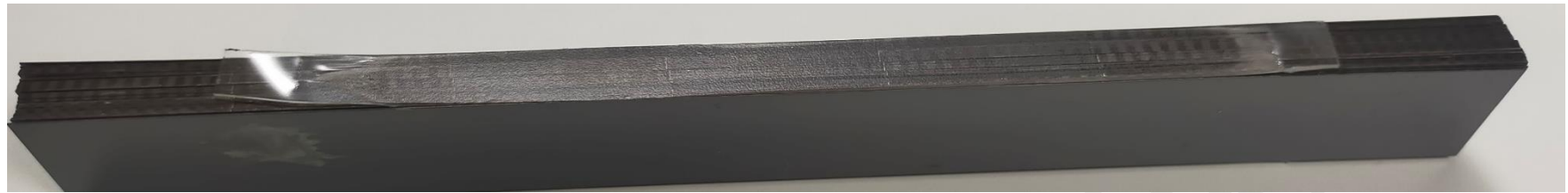
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# Design and development of clamping tools



# Assembly by using an oven



Advantage:

- **Homogeneous** and **slow heating** and **cooling**
- **It reduce** the **thermal stress**

Disadvante:

- It need more energy consumption



# Disassembly by using laser

Three phases:

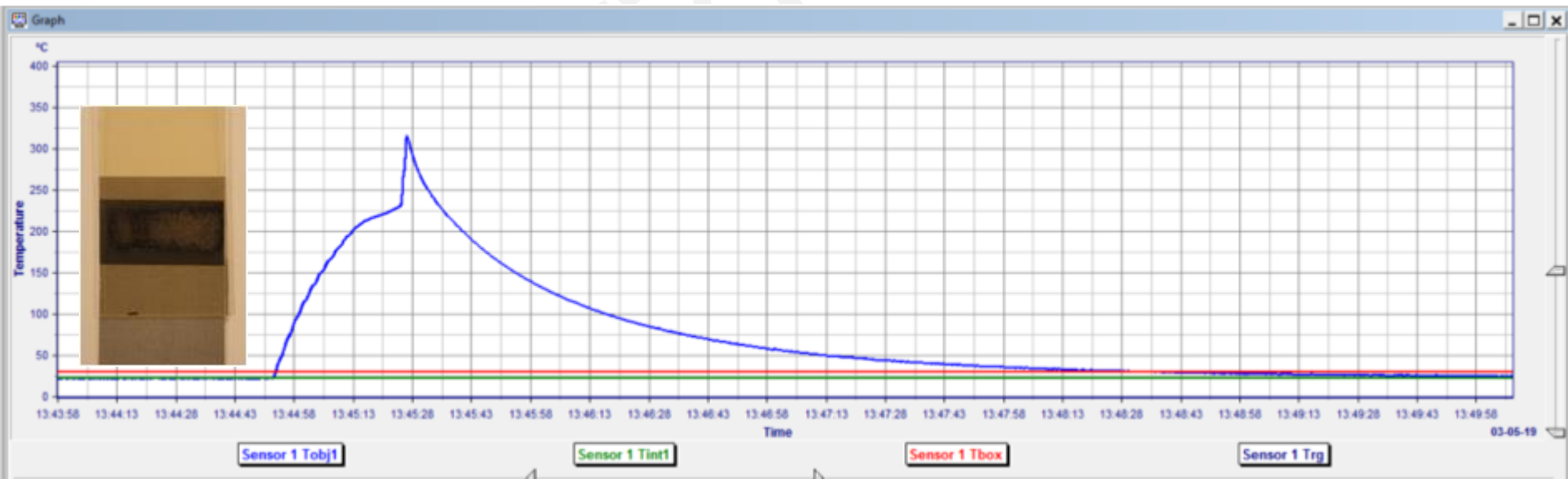
- The temperature increase
- Heat reaches a saturation point.
- Disassembling
- Easy to disassembly

Advantage:

- Low energy consumption process
- Low labor cost

Disadvantage:

- High equipment cost
- Complex process



# Disassembly by using heat gun

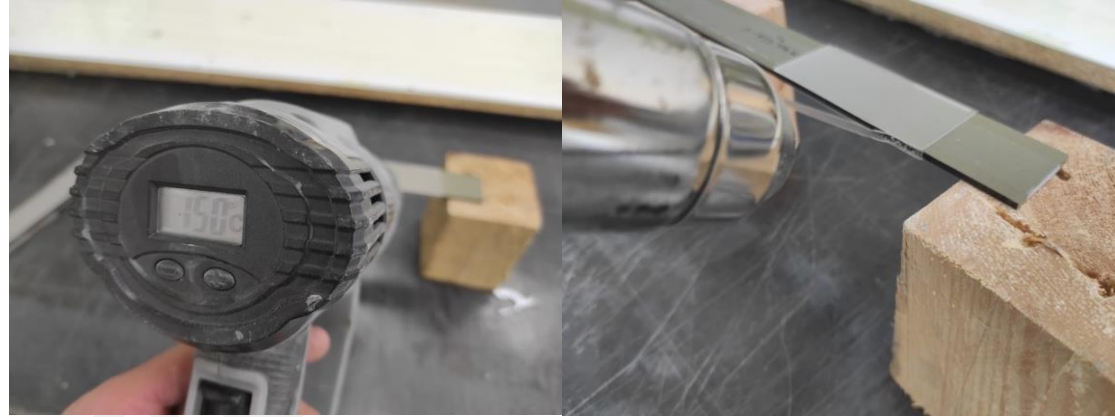
Process: applying heat, starting from 150° and increasing to 350° during about one minute and taking this off with pliers.

Advantage:

- Easy to disassembly
- No high energy consumption
- No high equipment cost.

Disadvantage:

- It need more labour cost



# Disassembly by using an oven

Process: Applying heat to 160° during about five minutes and taking this off with pliers.

Advantage:

- Easy to disassembly
- Low labor cost
- Low equipment cost

Disadvantage:

- High energy consumption

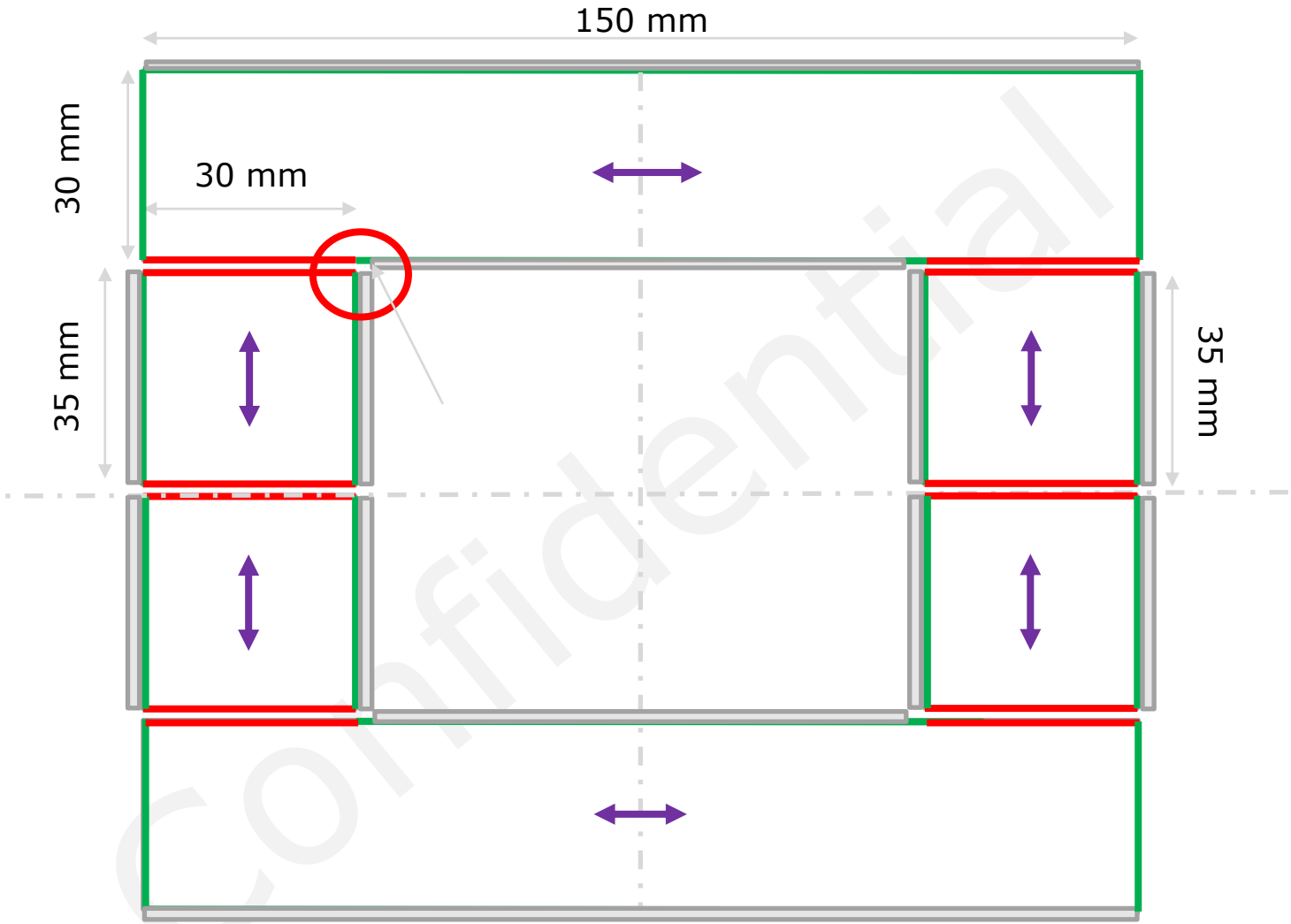


# Disassembly conclusion

- It was found that after applying a temperature over the vicat temperature the plastic detaches from the metal and the final weight of plastic was 99.5% of the initial plastic weight in all cases.
- From an **energy** point of view, it will be more efficient to use a **laser**. It invests less energy, because heat is focus on the joining.
- From an **economical** point of view, heat gun would be cheaper. Although it need more **labour** cost, **equipment** cost is much lower and **energy** cost is not too high.

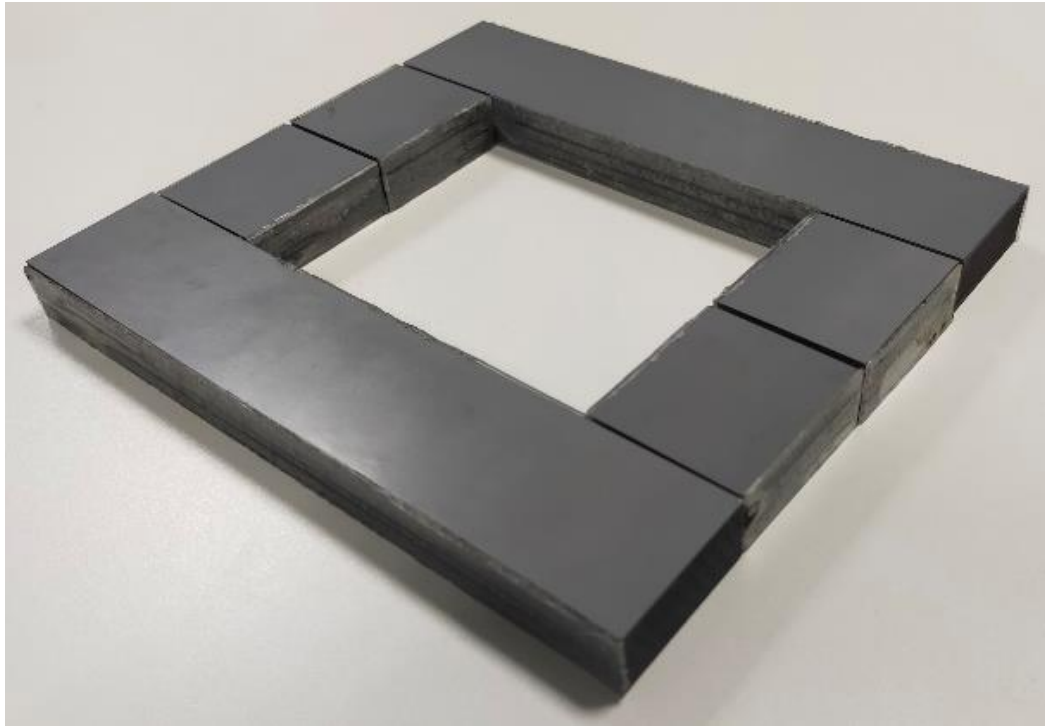


# DC choke drawing for microtexturization and assembly

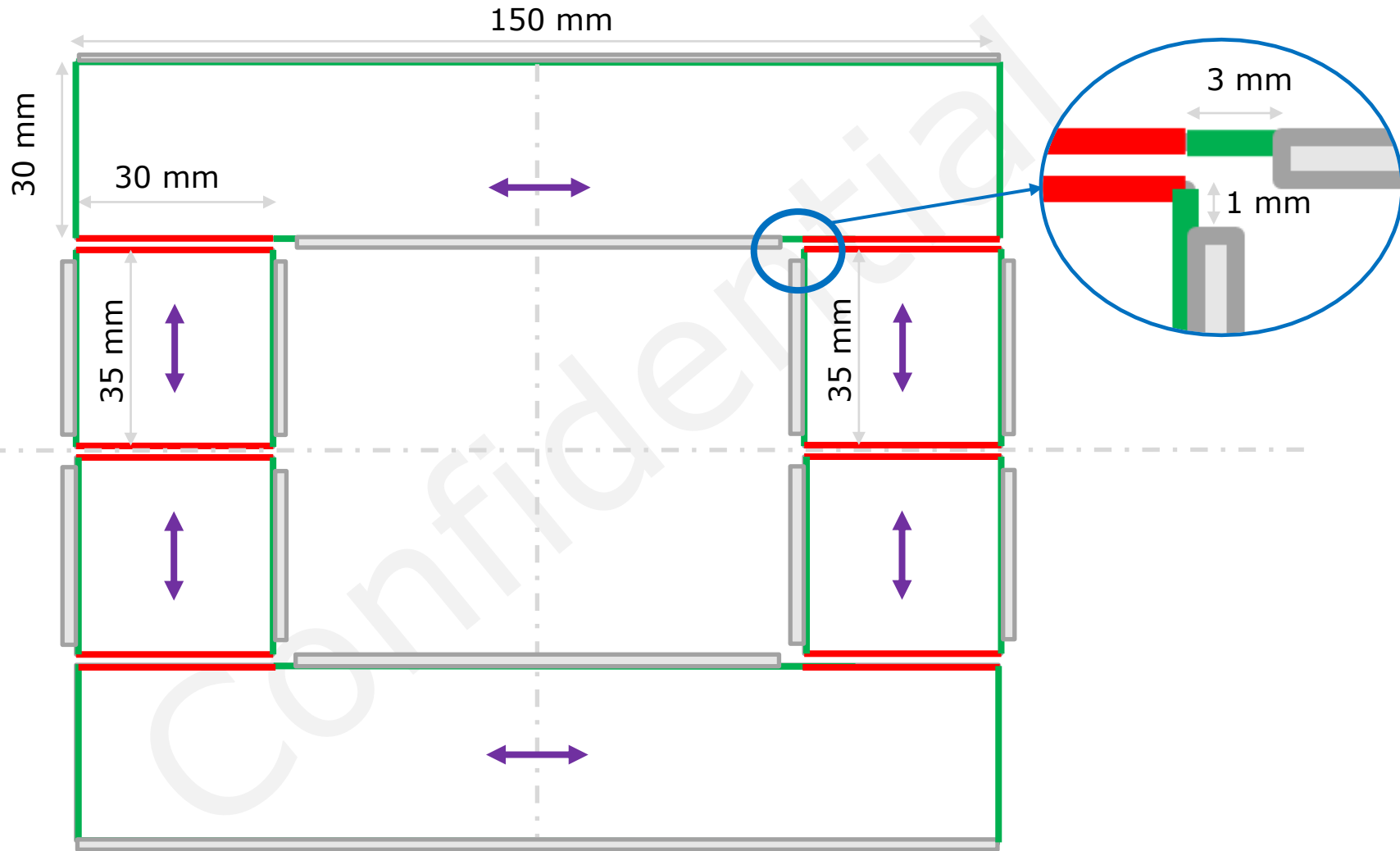


— Texturization forbidden      — Edges available for texturization      ↔ Rolling direction

# DC choke manufacture by using laser welding

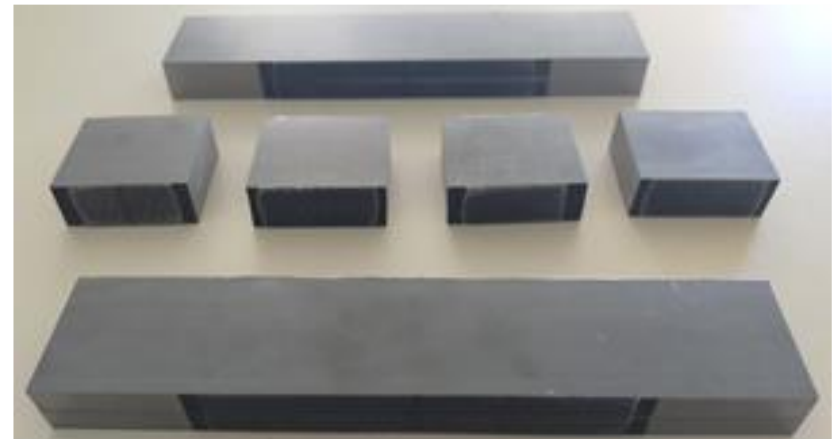
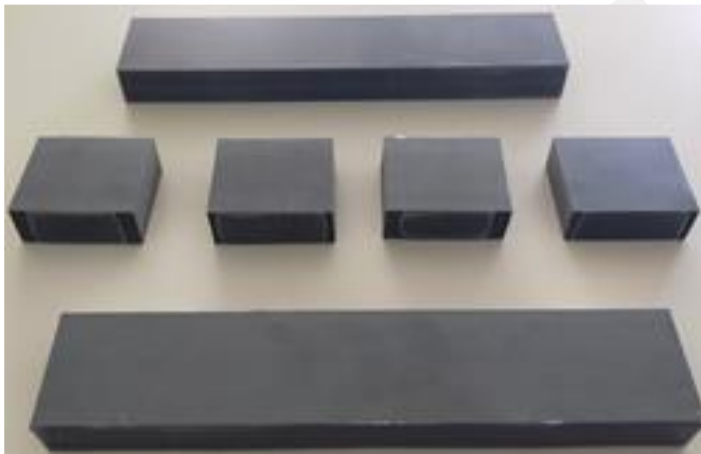
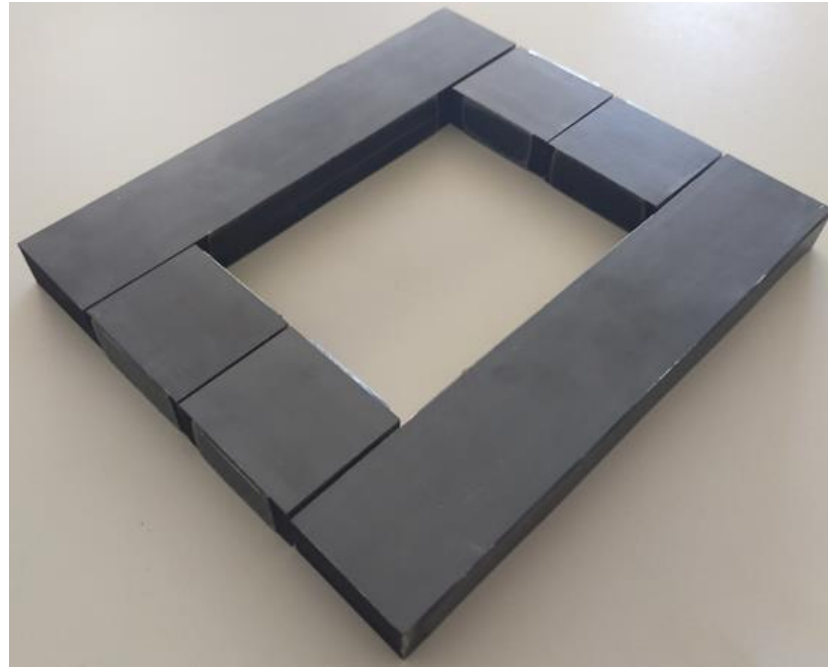


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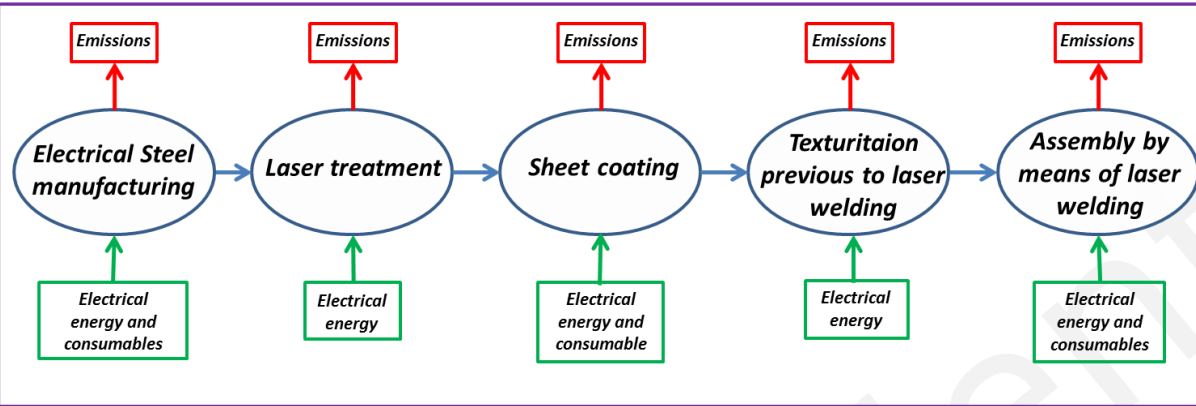
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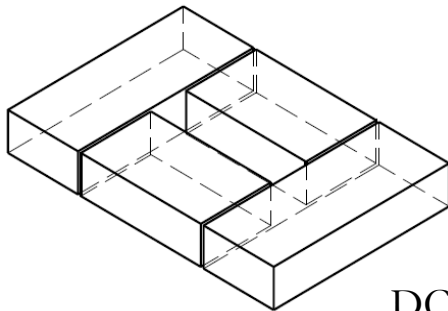


# LCA goal and scope definition

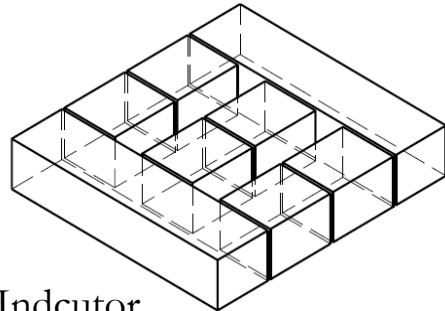
## ESSIAL PROCESS



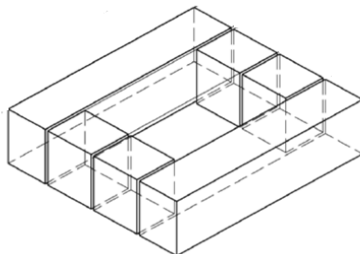
AC inductor 1 phase



AC inductor 3 phase

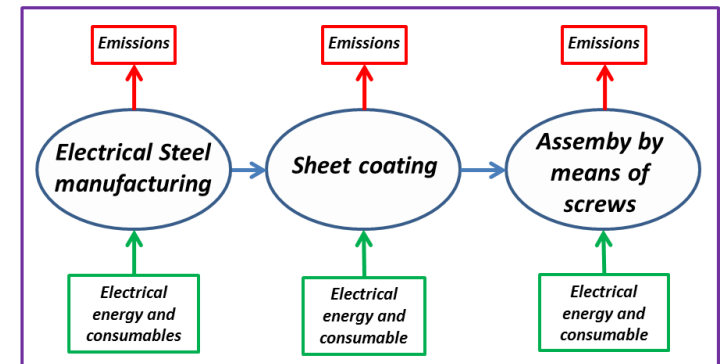


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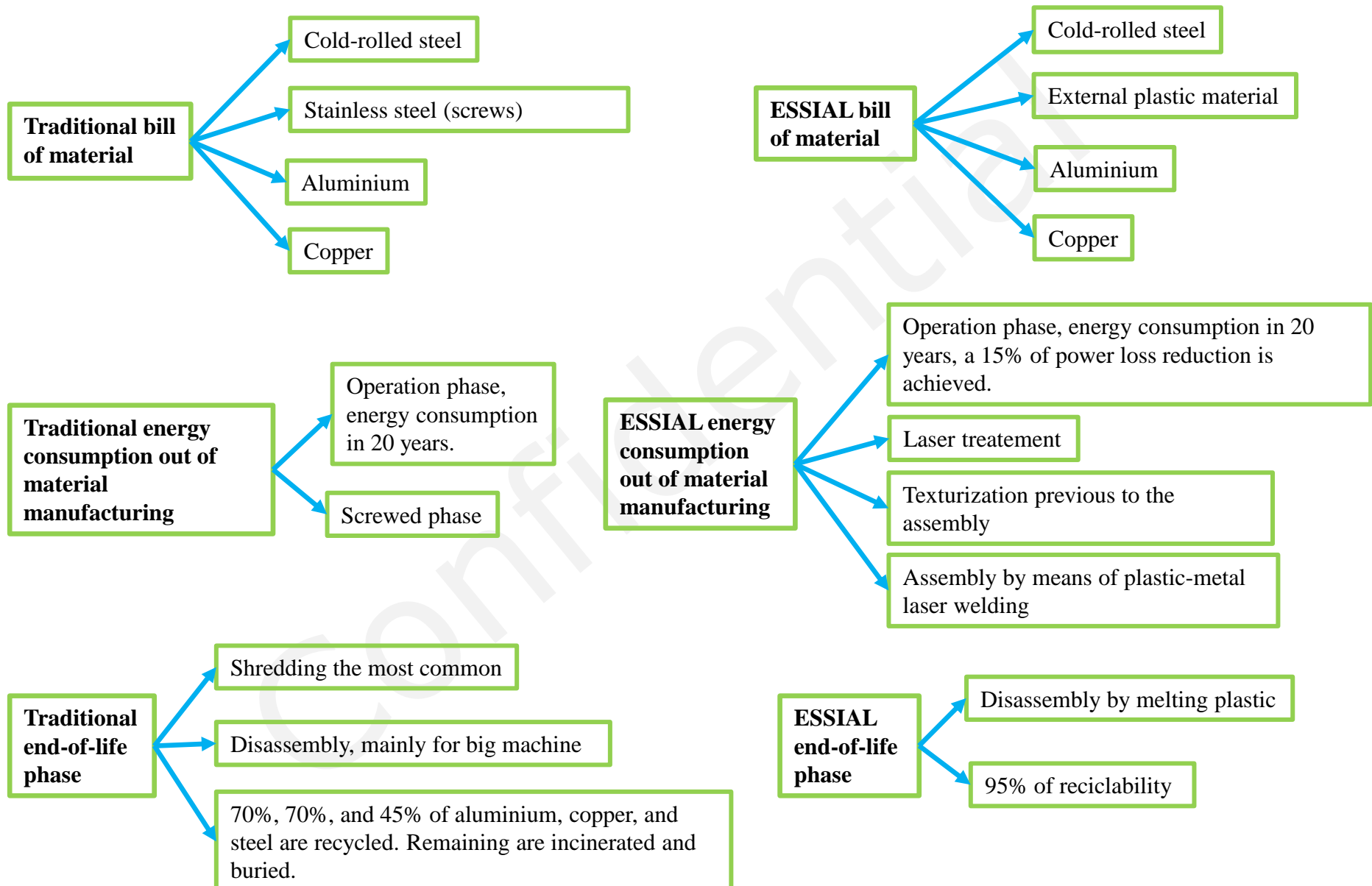


- Analysis from the environmental point of view, the ESSIAL innovations.
- 3 Functional unit
- Cradle to the grave analysis
- Europe as geographical border

## TRADITIOANAL PROCESS

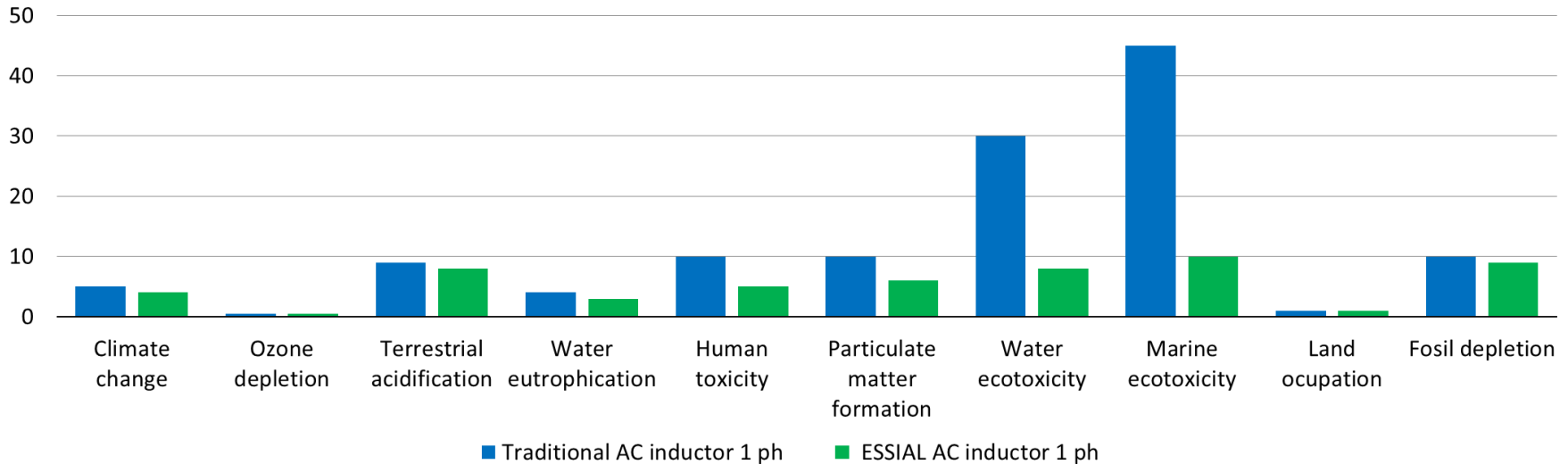


# Life cycle inventory (LCI)



# Mid point impact indicator for AC inductor 1 ph

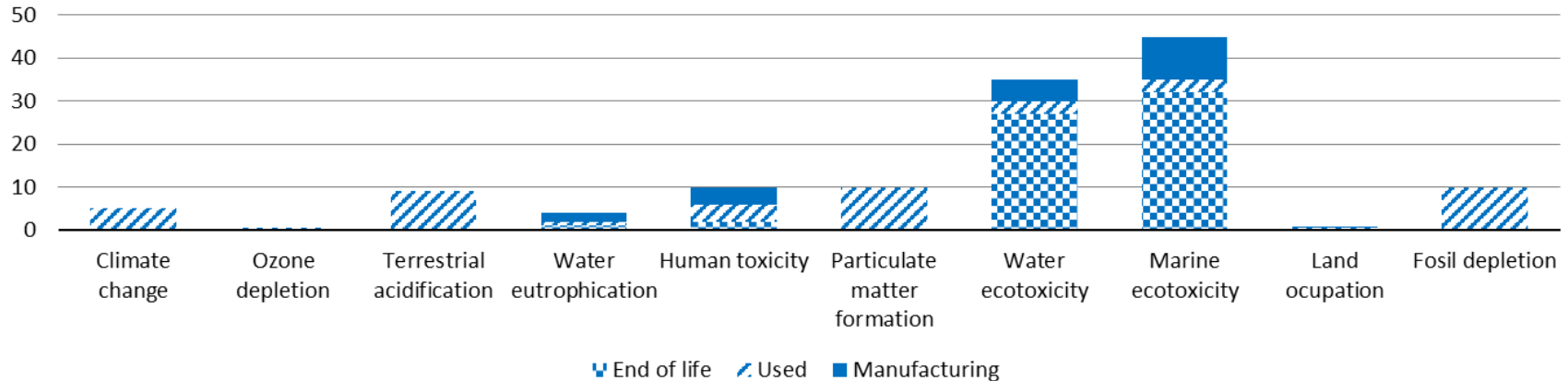
Mid point impact indicator



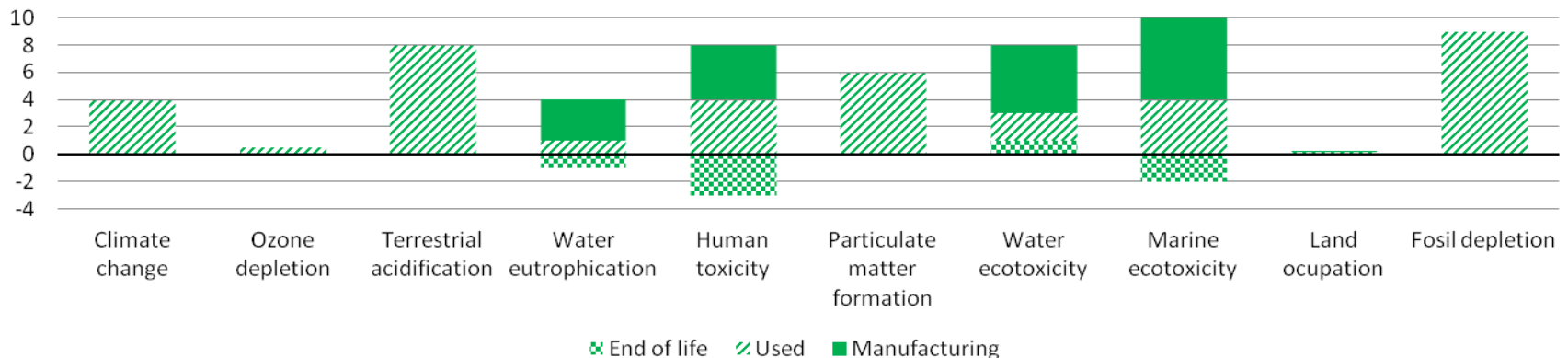
- All indicators are higher in traditional AC inductor 1 ph than ESSIAC AC inductor 1 ph
- A higher difference is observed in freshwater and marine ecotoxicity, due to the difference in end of life strategy as we will demonstrate following
- Excluding long-term emission (more than 100 years) water and marine ecotoxicity are reduced to values below 1
- Between 1-75% improvement is observed depending on the impact indicator
- Impact of some indicators is negligible
- Recipe 2016, SimaPro and EcoInvent database were used.

# Mid point impact indicator for AC inductor 1 ph in all life phses

Traditional AC inductor 1 ph, mid point impact indicator in life stages

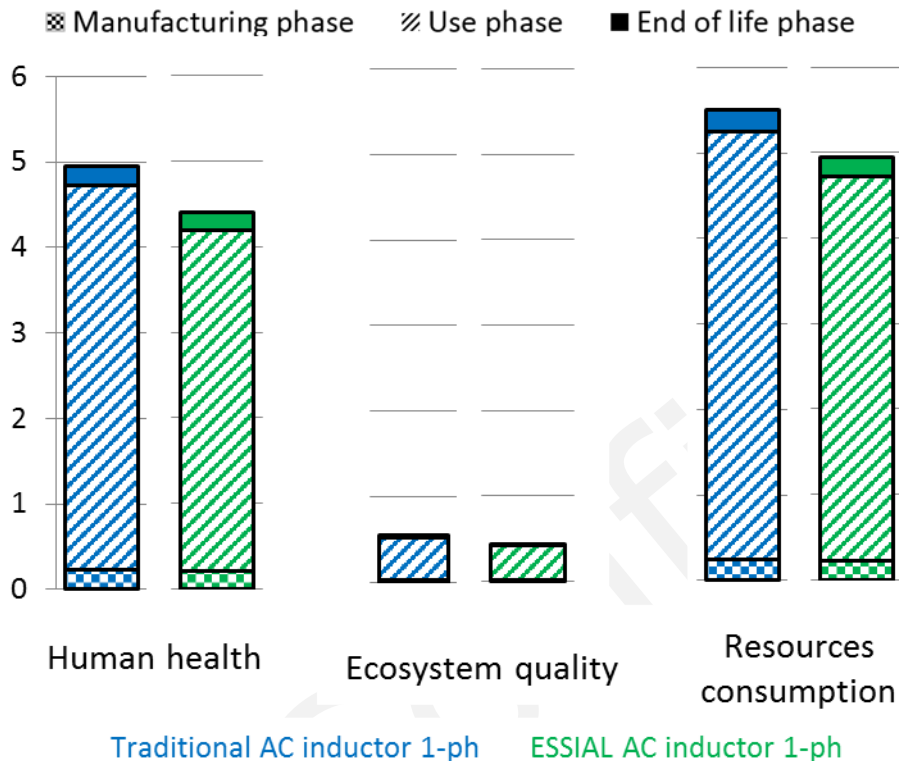


ESSIAL AC inductor 1 ph, mid point impact indicator in life stages



- The huge impact in freshwater and marine ecotoxicity for the traditional came mainly from the end of life.
- End of life reduce impact in some ESSIAL indicator. Due to 45-70% of recyclability for traditional and 95% for ESSIAL.
- Manufacturing phase is more representative in ESSIAL than in traditional
- Used phase is high in a lot indicators, due to energy consumption in this phase.

# Global impact categories for AC inductor 1-ph



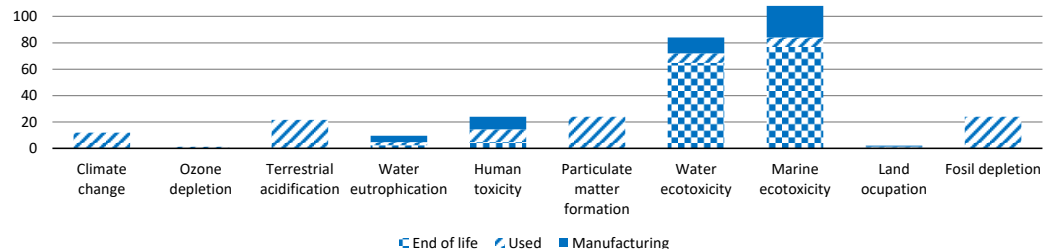
- Climate change and ozone depletion represent human health.
- Fossil depletion and land occupation represent resource consumption.
- Rest of indicator represent ecosystem quality category
- The lower value for midpoint to endpoint conversion factor of Recipe methodology, is the consequence of lower values for the ecosystem quality.

Results are ruled by the used phase, and so because energy consumption.

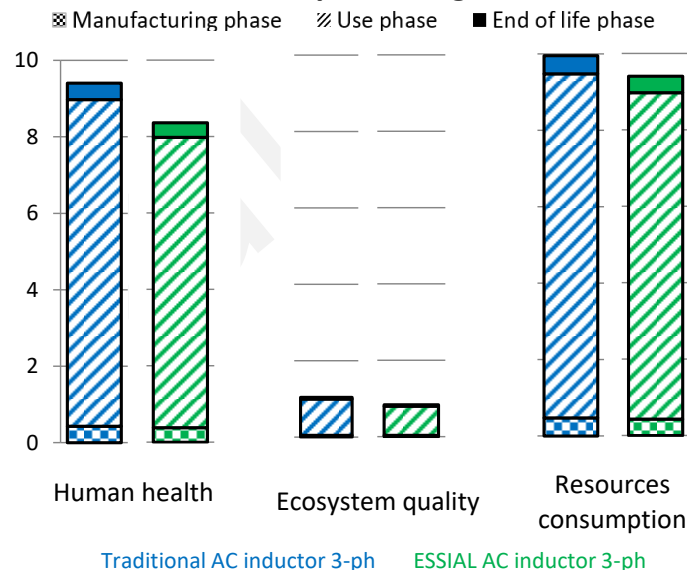
- Manufacturing and end of life phase represent less than 10% of the impact
- Overall impact reduction around 10 % with ESSIAL

# Mid point impact indicator in all life phases and global impact categories for AC inductor 3 ph and DC inductor

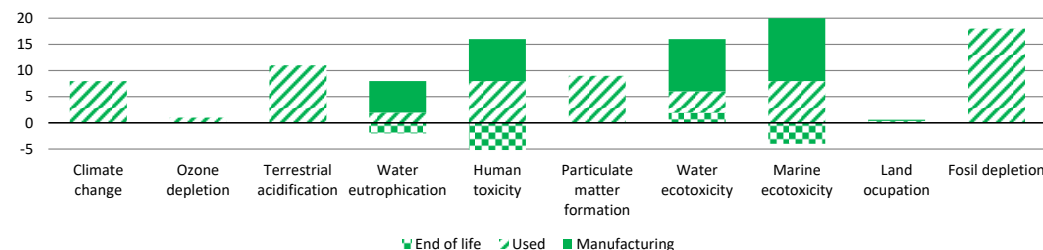
## Traditional AC inductor 3 ph, mid point impact indicator in life stages



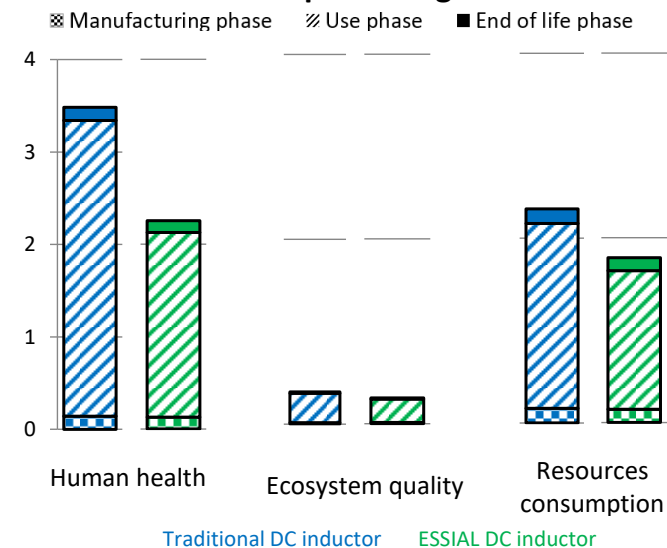
## Global impact categories



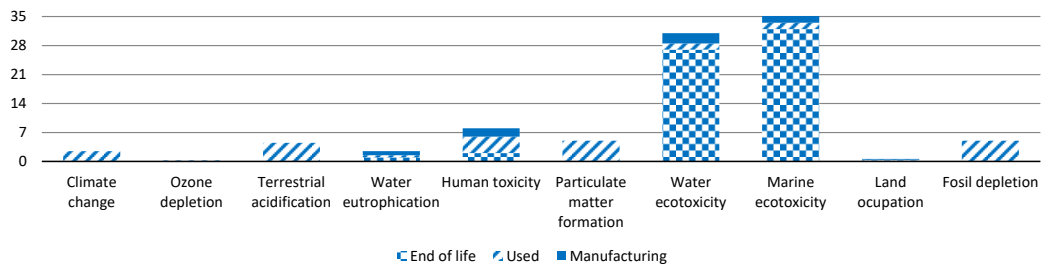
## ESSIAL AC inductor 3 ph, mid point impact indicator in life stages



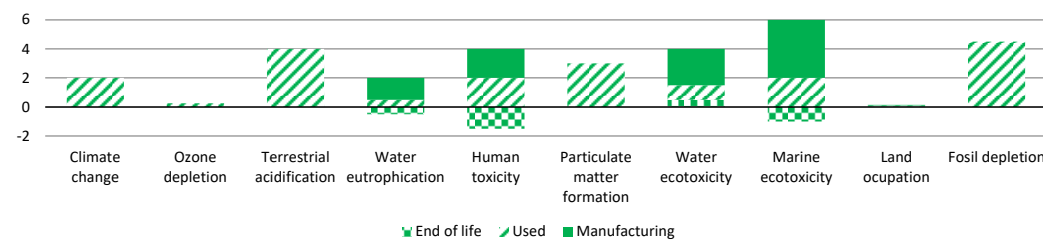
## Global impact categories



## Traditional DC inductor, mid point impact indicator in life stages



## ESSIAL DC inductor, mid point impact indicator in life stages



# LCC functionalization of metal surfaces

- The best result is observed, with a laser power of 300 W. Although you increase the investment cost you decrease energy consumption.
- In best cases (300 W) the ROI is between 4.5 and 6.3 year

## AC inductor 1 phase

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 1-3 w (year)     | 309,43      |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 10-30 w (year)   | 3,42        |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 100-300 w (year) | <b>4,71</b> |

## AC inductor 3 phase

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 1-3 w (year)     | 416,27      |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 10-30 w (year)   | 43,59       |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 100-300 w (year) | <b>6,32</b> |

## AC transformer 3 phase

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 1-3 w (year)     | 316,83      |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 10-30 w (year)   | 33,18       |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 100-300 w (year) | <b>4,82</b> |

## AC transformer 1 phase

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 1-3 w (year)     | 297,03      |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 10-30 w (year)   | 31,12       |
| ROI for laser treatment with power between 100-300 w (year) | <b>4,53</b> |

# LCC assembly process

- ROI for 1 phase, 3 phase and DC inductors are 5, 9 and 1 years respectively
- The ROI is dependant mainly of the texturization
- Possibility of reducing the texturization time even more by reducing the texturization area or by increasing the laser speed of this process
- Other advantages: avoiding short circuits, reduce vibrations, and ease automation of disassembling and recycling.
- In conclusion, the novel assembly process is profitable in economic term as well as in environmental terms.

| <b>Traditional assembly process by using screws cost (€)</b>                                      |               |
|---|---------------|
| <b>AC Inductor 1 ph</b>   | <b>1,67</b>   |
| <b>AC Inductor 3 ph</b>   | <b>5,00</b>   |
| <b>DC inductor</b>  | <b>1,67</b>   |
| <b>Microextructuration process cost (€)</b>   |               |
| <b>AC Inductor 1 ph</b>   | <b>53,02</b>  |
| <b>AC Inductor 3 ph</b>   | <b>155,77</b> |
| <b>DC inductor</b>  | <b>6,41</b>   |
| <b>Power loss reduction with ESSIAL innovation in 1 year due to the assembly process cost (€)</b> |               |
| <b>AC Inductor 1 ph</b>   | <b>13,14</b>  |
| <b>AC Inductor 3 ph</b>   | <b>19,71</b>  |
| <b>DC inductor</b>  | <b>6,78</b>   |
| <b>Laser welding process cost (€)</b>   |               |
| <b>AC Inductor 1 ph</b>   | <b>10,13</b>  |
| <b>AC Inductor 3 ph</b>   | <b>29,75</b>  |
| <b>DC inductor</b>  | <b>1,23</b>   |





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