

Micro step drill for hardened steel

ENSBH-ATH

Epoch Micro Step Borer Hard-ATH

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Micro step borer for small-diameter deep drilling of high-hardened steels.

Features of EMSBH-ATH

O1 Special flute design for high-hardened steels

02 Chip-removal stopper

03 ATH coating

Line-up: 36 items **DC:** 0,1 - 2 mm



Recommended usage

Application range							
30HRC	40HRC I	50HRC I	60HRC I	65HRC			
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Customer need and product benefit

Small-diameter deep drilling in high-hardened steels.



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Challenge

Lack of availability and process safety of small-diameter drills for high-hardened steels. Expensive and slow EDM processes.



Solution

Stable micro step drilling process of steels up to 60HRC with EMSBH-ATH.

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Feature

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Special flute design for high-hardened steels

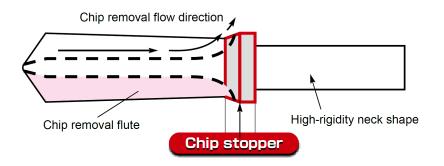


Special flute design for high-hardened steels enables process reliable drilling and chip flow.

Feature

02

Chip-removal stopper



Chip-removal stopper technology and high-rigidity neck shape enables high-accuracy drilling of minute holes.

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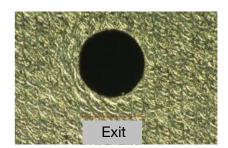
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ATH coating

Material: SUS440CH (60HRC)



Hole condition after 50th drilling process





Possible drilling of up to 50 holes of LU/DC=10 on 60HRC material!

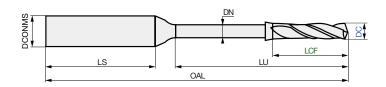
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CD1062	EMSBH-0050-5-ATH	0.5	5	10.000	15	50	0.005	0.05	External Water

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EMSBH-ATH Lineup and dimensions







60 HRC

Diameter Tolerance (mm) +0.001 / +0.006 mm

ID Code	Itom ondo	Ctook	Size (mm)							
ID Code	Item code	Stock	DC	LCF	LU	DN	LS	OAL	DCONMS	
CD1050	EMSBH-0010-1-ATH	•	0.1	0.52	1.02	0.09	37.2	45.02	3	
CD1051	EMSBH-0010-2-ATH	•	0.1	0.52	2.02	0.09	36.2	45.02	3	
CD1052	EMSBH-0010-3-ATH	•	0.1	0.52	3.02	0.09	35.2	45.02	3	
CD1053	EMSBH-0020-2-ATH	•	0.2	1.04	2.04	0.19	36.4	45.04	3	
CD1054	EMSBH-0020-4-ATH	•	0.2	1.04	4.04	0.19	34.4	45.04	3	
CD1055	EMSBH-0020-6-ATH	•	0.2	1.04	6.04	0.19	32.4	45.04	3	
CD1056	EMSBH-0030-3-ATH	•	0.3	1.55	3.05	0.28	35.7	45.05	3	
CD1057	EMSBH-0030-6-ATH	•	0.3	1.55	6.05	0.28	32.7	45.05	3	
CD1058	EMSBH-0030-9-ATH	•	0.3	1.55	9.05	0.28	29.7	45.05	3	
CD1059	EMSBH-0040-4-ATH	•	0.4	2.07	4.07	0.38	39.9	50.07	3	
CD1060	EMSBH-0040-8-ATH	•	0.4	2.07	8.07	0.38	35.9	50.07	3	
CD1061	EMSBH-0040-12-ATH	•	0.4	2.07	12.07	0.38	31.9	50.07	3	
CD1062	EMSBH-0050-5-ATH	•	0.5	2.59	5.09	0.48	39.1	50.09	3	
CD1063	EMSBH-0050-10-ATH	•	0.5	2.59	10.09	0.48	34.1	50.09	3	
CD1064	EMSBH-0050-15-ATH	•	0.5	2.59	15.09	0.48	29.1	50.09	3	
CD1065	EMSBH-0060-6-ATH	•	0.6	3.11	6.11	0.57	43.3	55.11	3	
CD1066	EMSBH-0060-12-ATH	•	0.6	3.11	12.11	0.57	37.3	55.11	3	
CD1067	EMSBH-0060-18-ATH	•	0.6	3.11	18.11	0.57	31.3	55.11	3	
CD1068	EMSBH-0070-7-ATH	•	0.7	3.63	7.13	0.67	45.2	60.13	4	
CD1069	EMSBH-0070-14-ATH	•	0.7	3.63	14.13	0.67	38.2	60.13	4	
CD1070	EMSBH-0070-21-ATH	•	0.7	3.63	21.13	0.67	31.2	60.13	4	
CD1071	EMSBH-0080-8-ATH	•	0.8	4.15	8.15	0.76	44.4	60.15	4	
CD1072	EMSBH-0080-16-ATH	•	0.8	4.15	16.15	0.76	36.4	60.15	4	
CD1073	EMSBH-0080-24-ATH	•	0.8	4.15	24.15	0.76	28.4	60.15	4	
CD1074	EMSBH-0090-9-ATH	•	0.9	4.66	9.16	0.85	48.6	65.16	4	
CD1075	EMSBH-0090-18-ATH	•	0.9	4.66	18.16	0.85	39.6	65.16	4	
CD1076	EMSBH-0090-27-ATH	•	0.9	4.66	27.16	0.85	30.6	65.16	4	
CD1077	EMSBH-0100-10-ATH	•	1.0	5.18	10.18	0.95	52.9	70.18	4	
CD1078	EMSBH-0100-20-ATH	•	1.0	5.18	20.18	0.95	42.9	70.18	4	
CD1079	EMSBH-0100-30-ATH	•	1.0	5.18	30.18	0.95	32.9	70.18	4	
CD1080	EMSBH-0150-15-ATH	•	1.5	15.27	15.27	-	49.2	70.27	4	
CD1081	EMSBH-0150-30-ATH	•	1.5	15.27	30.27	1.44	34.0	70.27	4	
CD1082	EMSBH-0150-45-ATH	•	1.5	15.27	45.27	1.44	49.0	100.27	4	
CD1083	EMSBH-0200-20-ATH	•	2.0	20.36	20.36	-	45.3	70.36	4	
CD1084	EMSBH-0200-40-ATH	•	2.0	20.36	40.36	1.92	55.2	100.36	4	
CD1085	EMSBH-0200-60-ATH	•	2.0	20.36	60.36	1.92	35.2	100.36	4	



Diameter of EMSBH-ATH has a positive tolerance in order to compensate hole shrink after boring, and keep clearance for ejector pins in die applications.



EMSBH-ATH Usage instruction



Setting of cutting conditions



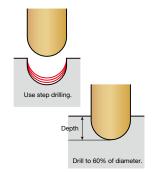
- Please use EPDBEH-TH3 as a starter for DC=0.1 mm.
- Always perform step drilling using G83 mode (peck drilling cycle).
- Usable length (LU) conforms to through-hole drilling depth.
- When drilling holes, always add 30% of tool diameter to drilling depth (compared to nominal depth of through hole).
 - Ex.: For work thickness T=5mm and tool = DC 0.5x5mm, drilling depth should be 5.15mm (from tip of tool).
- Water-soluble or oil-based coolant should be used to ensure chip removal.



Drilling process and attentions on drilling

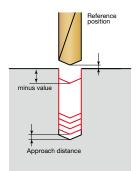
About starter

- Use of EPDBEH as starter is recommended.
- Perform step drilling for DC0.1 using a G83 program.
- In case of DC>0.1 please use helical (0.5°) milling to create starter hole.
- Be sure to machine starter hole to a depth of 60% of tool diameter.



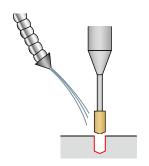
About machining programs

- Always perform drilling using a G83 program (peck drilling cycle).
- Recommended reference position: 0.05 to 0.1mm.
- To remove chips during drilling, retract EMSBH repeatedly but stay inside the boring hole (minus value).
- Minus value = tip length + 0.2*DC
- Recommended approach distance: 0.05mm.



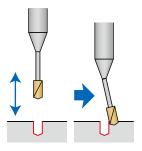
About coolants

- Oil-based or watersoluble coolants are recommended.
- When using, set it up so that the coolant hits the flute tip.



About fast feed rates

- When the underneck length is long, if the fast feed rate is too fast, bit may be broken.
- Recommended: 20m/min. or less.
- For >30D, 5m/min. or less.



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EMSBH-ATH Production50® application example

Merits of drilling hardened steel (ejector pin drilling of SUS420J2 / 1.4028 | 52 HRC)

EDM process

Fine hole EDM

Heat treatment

Finish by wire EDM

EMSBH process

Micro step drilling of hardened steel



Process to be 1/3. By stock hardened blanks, delivery time can be reduced.

Comparison of process costs (Production50® approach)

		EDM process	EMSBH process
		D0.3*150mm copper pile electrode wire	EMSBH-0050-15-ATH
Tool cost	€/pcs.	2,00 €	205,10 €
Tool life	hole/pcs.	6	300
Holes per month	hole/month	300	300
Tools per month	pcs/month	50	1
Processing time per hole	min/hole	10	2,5
Processing time per month	min/month	3.000	750
Tool cost per month	€/month	100,00 €	205,10 €
Tool replacement time	min/pcs.	1	1
Machine cost	€/h	50	50
Processing cost per month	€/month	2.641,67 €	830,93 €



Hole depth is 11mm.

Cost of processing are reduced by about 69% compared to EDM processing!

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CD1064	EMSBH-0050-15-ATH	0.5	15	10.000	15	50	0.005	0.05	External Water



EMSBH-ATH General technical information

Application range



ISO 513 Symbol	Description	Examples
Р	Non-alloy steel, low alloy steel, high alloy steel, ferritic/martensitic stainless steel, tool steel	1.2343 / X38CrMoV5-1; 1.2738 / 40CrMnNiMo8; 1.0503 / C45; 1.0570 / ST52-3; 1.1730 / C45W; 1.7131 / 16MnCr5; 1.7225 / 42CrMo4; 1.3343 / HS6-5-2; 1.0511 / C40; 1.2312 / 40CrMnMoS8-6; 1.2311 / 40CrMnMo7; 1.2344 / X40CrMoV5-1; 1.2767 / X45NiCrMo4; 1.2083 / X42Cr13; 1.2085 / X33CrS16; 1.2714 / 55NiCrMoV7; 1.2842 / 90MnCrV8;
M	Austenitic stainless steel	1.4301 / X5CrNi18-9; 1.4401 / X5CrNiMo17-12-2; 1.4404 / X2CrNiMo17-13-2; 1.4828 / X15CrNiSi20 12
K	Grey cast iron (GG), nodu- lar cast iron (GGG), malleable cast iron	0.6025 / GG-25; GGG-40.3; 0.8155 / GTS-55-04
N	Aluminum wrought all, copper alloy, aluminum-cast, alloyed, non-metallic	2.0060 / E-Cu57; 2.0321 / CuZn37; 3.0255 / Al99.5; 3.5103 / MgSE3Zn27r1
S	High temperature alloys, titanium and Ti alloys	1.4864 / X12NiCrSi36 16; 2.4856 / NiCr22Mo9Nb; 1.4977 / X40CoCrNi20 20; 2.4669 / NiCr15Fe7TiAl
н	Hardened steel, chilled cast iron, cast iron	



Recommended











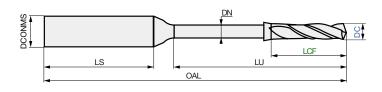












Drawing nomenclature				
DC	Diameter Cutting			
DCONMS	Connection Diameter Machine Side			
DN	Neck Diameter			
LCF	Cutting Edge Length			
LU	Length Usage			
LS	Length Shank			
OAL	Overall Length			

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Attentions on Safety

1. Cautions regarding handling

- (1) When removing the tool from its case (packaging), be careful that the tool does not pop out or is dropped. Be particularly careful regarding contact with
- (2) When handling tools with sharp cutting flutes, be careful not to touch the cutting flutes directly with your bare hands.

2. Cautions regarding mounting

- (1) Before use, check the outside appearance of the tool for scratches, cracks, etc. and that it is firmly mounted in the collet chuck, etc.
- (2) When preparing for use, be sure that the inserts are firmly mounted in place and that they are firmly mounted on the arbor, etc.
- (3) If abnormal chattering, etc. occurs during use, stop the machine immediately and remove the cause of the chattering.

3. Cautions during use

- (1) Before use, confirm the dimensions and direction of rotation of the tool and milling work material.
- (2) The numerical values in the standard cutting conditions table should be used as criteria when starting new work. The cutting conditions should be adjusted as appropriate when the cutting depth is large, the rigidity of the machine being used is low, or according to the conditions of the work material.
- (3) Cutting tools are made of a hard material. During use, they may break and fly off. In addition, cutting chips may also fly off. Since there is a danger of injury to workers, fire, or eye damage from such flying pieces, a safety cover should be attached when work is performed and safety equipment such as safety goggles should be worn to create a safe environment for work.
- (4) There is a risk of fire or inflammation due to sparks, heat due to breakage, and cutting chips. Do not use where there is a risk of fire or explosion. Please caution of fire while using oil base coolant, fire prevention is necessary.
- (5) Do not use the tool for any purpose other than that for which it is intended.

4. Cautions regarding regrinding

- (1) If regrinding is not performed at the proper time, there is a risk of the tool breaking. Replace the tool with one in good condition, or perform regrinding.
- (2) Grinding dust will be created when regrinding a tool. When regrinding, be sure to attach a safety cover over the work area and wear safety clothes such as safety goggles, etc.
- (3) This product contains the specified chemical substance cobalt and its inorganic compounds. When performing regrinding or similar processing, be sure to handle the processing in accordance with the local laws and regulations regarding prevention of hazards due to specified chemical substances.

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