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GOALS

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DETAILS

INDUSTRY

Die Mold

PART

Mold

MATERIAL

D2 (52 HrC)

MACHINE

Makino

SPINDLE

CT40

ORIGINAL TOOLING

1/4-20 Electrode 0.25" | 0 Flute | -

NEW TOOLING

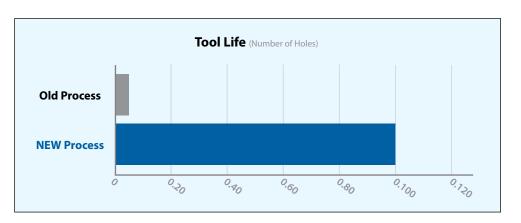
A Brand AT-1 Thread Mill 0.179" | 4 Flute | DUROREY

OVER \$71,000 ANNUAL SAVINGS!

THE STRATEGY

OSG introduced the AT-2 thread mill to the customer. This tool is able to machine both the hole and thread simultaniously. Not only is this recommendation faster than EDM processing, but also faster than conventional drilling and tapping.

	Original Process	NEW Process
Tool Diameter (Inch)	0.25"	0.179"
Cutting Speed (RPM • SFM)	- • -	2,388 • 112
Feed (IPM)	-	4
Hole Depth (In)	0.5"	0.5"
Cycle Time (Minutes)	29.4	2.1
Tool Life (# of Holes)	5	100









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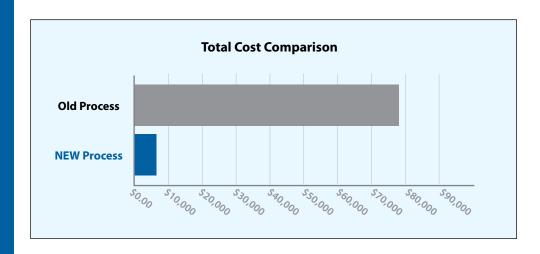
The following results were observed from testing the AT-2 thread mill. OSG was able to greatly reduce cycle time and increase tool life vs EDM processing.

- Cycle time was reduced from 29.4 min to 2.1 min per part!
- Number of parts per tool was increased from 5 to 100.

Results Overview		
Cycle Time Saved Per Part (Minutes)	27.30	
Number of Parts Per Year	2,000	
Annual Cycle Time Saved (Minutes)	910	
Annual Machine Cost Savings	\$68,250	
Tool Life Productivity Improvement (%)	1900%	
Annual Tool Change Cost Savings	\$2,375	
Total Machining Cost Saved Annually	\$71,625	

THE CONCLUSION

The customer was able to achieve their goal of improving cycle time. They were also able to benefit from a significant improvement of tool life. This combination of reduced cycle time and improved tool life led to *an overall cost savings of over \$71,000*.



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