## Versatile sheet-metal forming technology for producing a wide range of items from sheet metal (aluminum, steel, titanium, copper, brass) up to 3 mm thick

The technology has a number of special features that make it different from common pressure forming:

- Quick readjustment (preproduction term for a new item is 1-2 months);
- Low metal consumption for die tooling and, correspondingly, low cost of the latter (by 3-5 times as compared with traditional dies);
- A possibility for producing small batches of articles (50 and more) while for the common sheet forming technology the minimal batch is 5000 pieces;
  - High uniformity of the applied load;
  - High efficiency for difficult-to-deform metals and alloys.



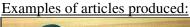






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The technology has been tested and used in different sectors such as engineering industry, aerospace and military industry, shipbuilding and some others.

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- 2. Zak & Kiselbah Company, Stockholm, Sweden,
- 3. The Tashkent aircraft factory, Tashkent, Uzbekistan,
- 4. The Kuybyshev engine factory, Kuybyshev, Russia,
- 5. The Krasnovarsk instrument making factory, Krasnovarsk, Russia,
- 6. The Kharkov aircraft engineering Institute, Kharkov, Ukraine,
- 7. The Minsk tractor factory, Minsk, Belarus,
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## **Brief description of the technology**

Sheet-metal forming is performed by a high-pressure pulse, which is created by an impact of rapidly moving striker on an enclosed volume of a liquid or elastic medium that fills the working chamber of a press.

The process is characterized by a short duration of the pressure pulse, 300 to  $600 \,\mu s$ , and the absence of a punch; the function of the latter is performed by a transmitting medium (liquid or polyurethane).

The source of energy that is stored in the pressure accumulator of a press is the pressurized air from the compressed-air network of the workshop.

We offer several specialized presses for sheet forming of a variety of materials.