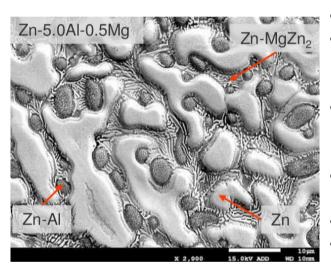
MULTISCALE APPROACH OF THE MECHANICAL BEHAVIOUR OF HOT-DIP ZN-AL-MG COATINGS ON A STEEL SHEET

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- Selection of materials
- Identification of deformation and damage mechanisms in the various phases
- Strain and damage fields measurement at the macroscopic scale
- Strain and damage fields at the mesoscale
- Modeling and simulation
- Guidelines for microstructure optimization

Abstract:

Arcelor-Mittal is carrying out a research program aiming at determining the forming and mechanical properties of Zn-Al-Mg coatings on hot-dip galvanized steel sheets, depending on the solidification microstructures. The research strategy is developed along 5 lines: material selection, advanced characterization techniques, macroscopic mechanical properties of coatings, mesoscale modelling of microstructures and identification of deformation and interand transgranular damage mechanisms.

The proposed PhD project aims at applying advanced characterization and modeling techniques for a better understanding of the mechanical properties of Zn-Al-Mg coating along the previous lines. The objective is to draw from these observations new guidelines for the microstructure optimization.