# DLC type Diamond-Like Carbon

This DLC coating achieves overwhelmingly low friction characteristics. Our lineup includes high adhesion DLC for molds and machine parts and hydrogen-free thin film DLC-i for aluminum alloy cutting tools.

## Diamond-Like Carbon

- DLC stands for Diamond-like Carbon, a general term for amorphous carbon structure containing sp2+sp3 hybridized carbon atoms
- Due to the structure is similar to diamond, hardness is its main feature
- Compare to very expensive diamonds, it can be produced on a variety of material surfaces at lower cost.



- It has an overwhelmingly low coefficient of friction compared to metallic materials.
- Even in a dry process, it has the same friction coefficient as oil lubrication.
- · Can suppress adhesion of soft metals (aluminum alloys, etc.).



### **DLC Classification**

- a-C:H structure which balances hardness and toughness ⇒ **DLC**
- High-density ta-C structure approaching to diamond ⇒ **DLC-i**





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# Strongly adheres to substrate

- By generating an adhesion layer between the DLC layer and the substrate, it exhibits excellent adhesion (DLC-i is DLC layer only).
- Even in a high load atmosphere, which is not good for general DLC, the original low friction characteristics of DLC can be demonstrated.



#### Lineup

a-c:H (UBMS)

- Thickness: 1.5±0.5µm

Reduce friction of molds and machine parts High adhesion DLC coating by UBMS method

Heat resistance temp. : 4f00°C
 Surface roughness : Rz<0.2</li>

- Friction coefficient : 0.1 - Coating temp.: <220°C



Prevents adhesion of aluminum alloys and copper alloys Hydrogen-free thin film DLC coating

Hardness: 4000HV
Thickness: up to 0.2μm

- Heat resistance temp. : 400°C - Surface roughness : Rz<0.1 Friction coefficient : 0.1Coating temp.:<220°C</li>

#### Powder sintered shapes for SUS-based parts



DLC with low friction and peel resistant can suppress galling caused by powder.

- $\cdot$  Die: Carbide hardened die
- · Material: SUS based powder
- · Effectiveness: Suppression of galling





Drilling of aluminum alloy (A6063) DLC-i, which can maintain sharp cutting edges, prevents the

- formation of built-up cutting edges.
- $\cdot \text{ Tool: } \phi1mm \text{ Carbide drill} \\$
- · Work material: A6063 (thickness:2mm)
- · V=30m/min / f=0.05mm/rev



