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Aluminium lamination process

Title (de)  
Verfahren zum Walzen von Aluminium

Title (fr)  
Procédé de laminage d'aluminium

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Abstract (en)  
Starting from a continuous casting furnace (1), fed with scraps, ingots or any other aluminum presentation, the cast metal is urged to pass through a solidification and rolling machine (5), a 19 mm-thick aluminum sheet being obtained. Then, this sheet is subjected to three successive hot rolling phases in respective rolling towers (8-8'-8''), attaining at its outlet a 1.5 mm thickness. Then, the aluminum sheet is subjected to two cold rolling phases until attaining a 0.54 mm thickness and, after intermediate annealing, it is subjected to a final cold rolling phase in which the definitive 0.25 mm thickness is obtained. The process achieves cutting the time of 34 hours corresponding to a classic continuous casting process down to 19 hours. <IMAGE>

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