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ABSTRACT • The main objective of this study is to determine the effect of heat treatment on the machining properties of solid wood material and determine the optimum cutting parameters to obtain surfaces with minimum surface roughness. In line with this goal, Siberian pine (*Pinus sibirica*) wood species, widely used in the wood-working and furniture industry, was chosen as the experimental material. The heat-treated (at a temperature of 190 °C for 2 hours) and untreated samples were machined using two different cutters (carbide upcut milling cutter and carbide compression milling cutter) with 5 mm diameter at 1000, 1500 and 2000 mm/min feeds, 8000, 12000, 16000 rpm spindle speed, 50, 75 and 100 % stepover on the CNC machine. Surface roughness values (Ra and Rz) were measured to evaluate the obtained surfaces according to ISO 468 (2009), ISO 3274 (2005), and ISO 4287 (1997) using a contact profilometer. When the data was evaluated in general, the lowest roughness value for Ra occurred in upcut milling cutter, with 50% stepover, 12000 rpm, 1000 mm/min feed on untreated solid wood material. The highest roughness value for Ra occurred in a compression milling cutter, with 100 % stepover, 16000 rpm, 2000 mm/min feed on heat-treated solid wood material. It has been observed that the feed is the most critical parameter affecting the surface roughness.

KEYWORDS: heat treatment, machining parameter, roughness, Siberian pine, wood material

SAŽETAK • Glavni cilj ovog istraživanja bio je utvrditi utjecaj toplinske modifikacije na svojstva obradivosti cjelovitog drva te utvrditi optimalne parametre rezanja za postizanje obrađene površine minimalne hrapavosti. U skladu s tim ciljem, za istraživanje je odabранo drvo sibirskog bora (*Pinus sibirica*) koje ima široku primjenu u drvoradivačkoj industriji i proizvodnji namještaja. Toplinski modificirani (na temperaturi 190 °C tijekom dva sata) i nemodificirani uzorci obrađeni su na CNC stroju dvama različitim glodalima (usadnim glodalom s uzlaznom zavojnicom i usadnim glodalom s uzlazno-silaznom zavojnicom) promjera 5 mm s oštricama od tvrdog metala, te uz posmičnu brzinu od 1000, 1500 i 2000 mm/min, frekvenciju vrtnje vretena od 8000, 12 000 i 16 000 okr./min te s korakom glodanja od 50, 75 i 100 %. Hrapavost površine (Ra i Rz) izmjerena je kontaktnim profilome-

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trom kako bi se površina ocijenila prema ISO 468 (2009), ISO 3274 (2005) i ISO 4287 (1997). Dobiveni rezultati pokazuju da je najmanja vrijednost hrapavosti Ra zabilježena za površinu nemedifiriranih uzoraka obrađenih usadnim glodalom s uzlazno-silaznom zavoјnicom, i to uz ove parametre obrade: korak glodanja 50 %, frekvenciju vrtnje vretena 12 000 okr./min i posmičnu brzinu 1000 mm/min. Najveća vrijednost hrapavosti Ra zabilježena je za modifirane uzorce obrađene usadnim glodalom s uzlazno-silaznom zavoјnicom za ove parametre obrade: korak glodanja 100 %, frekvenciju vrtnje vretena 16 000 okr./min i posmičnu brzinu 2000 mm/min. Uočeno je da je posmična brzina najkritičniji parametar koji utječe na hrapavost obrađene površine.

KLJUČNE RIJEČI: topkinska modifikacija, parametri obrade, hrapavost, drvo sibirskog bora,drvni materijal

1 INTRODUCTION

1. UVOD

From the past to the present, different “Wood Modification Methods” have been developed due to all scientific studies and research done to eliminate some of the negativities of solid wood material. Wood modification is applied to change or improve the negative properties of wood material (Senol, 2018; Senol and Budakci, 2016).

Today, heat treatment is applied to wood material to improve its dimensional stability and increase its biological durability. This is a nature and environment friendly method.

The physical and mechanical properties of heat-treated wood materials change. This change can be positive or negative, occurring during production and post-production use. The effect of heat treatment needs to be determined for each tree species and condition. However, there are not enough studies in the literature on the subject.

Related to heat treated wood materials, there are studies in the literature on mechanical properties (Akman, 2008; Bal and Kilavuz, 2021; Doruk *et al.*, 2014; Esen and Ozcan, 2012; Icel and Beram, 2017; Korkut *et al.*, 2008; Mburu *et al.*, 2008; Percin and Ayan, 2012; Percin *et al.*, 2017; Percin and Altunok, 2019; Yildiz *et al.*, 2006), mass loss (Zaman *et al.*, 2000, Esteves *et al.*, 2007; Lunguleasa *et al.*, 2018) wettability (Hakkou *et al.*, 2005a; Kilincarslan and Simsek, 2020, Petrisans *et al.*, 2003), color changes (Atar *et al.*, 2019; Ayadi *et al.*, 2003; Ayata, 2020; Baysal *et al.*, 2018; Gurleyen *et al.*, 2018; Karamanoglu and Kaymakci, 2018; Pelit, 2017; Sahin Kol *et al.*, 2017; Yasar, 2009) hardness (Adela Salca and Hiziroglu, 2014; Efe and Bal, 2016; Gurleyen *et al.*, 2017; Karamanoglu and Kaymakci, 2018), biological durability to brown rot fungi (Duzkale Sozbir and Bektas, 2019), evaluations on microscopic images of heat treated wood (Icel and Simsek, 2017), surface roughness (Ayata *et al.*, 2018; Altun and Esmer, 2017; Çakicier, 2018; Korkut and Guller, 2008; Pelit *et al.*, 2021) dimensional stability (Sahin and Guler, 2018) bonding strength of some adhesives (Percin and Uzun, 2014; Ayata and Çakicier, 2018) surface densification (Ayrilmis *et al.*, 2019; Gong *et al.*, 2010), chemical changes (Hakkou *et al.*,

2005b), evaluation of studies on heat treatment (Esteves and Pereira, 2009; Ulay *et al.*, 2014). Heat treatment changes the chemical composition of wood, leading to mass loss (Esteves and Pereira, 2009). Heat treatment reduces specific wood mechanical properties, but the dimensional stability and biological durability of wood increase through heat treatment. In addition, heat treatment results in favorable changes in the physical properties of the wood, such as reduced shrinkage and swelling, low equilibrium moisture content, enhanced weather resistance, a decorative dark color, and better decay resistance (Korkut *et al.*, 2008; Yildiz, 2002). However, there are few studies on the change in machining properties and optimum machining parameters of heat-treated wood materials. Budakci *et al.* (2011) examined the effects of different circular saws on the surface roughness of heat-treated wood. Heat treatment increased the surface roughness of the wood used (Budakci *et al.*, 2011). Heat treatment of Scots pine (*Pinus sylvestris* L.), Eastern beech (*Fagus orientalis* L.), Uludag fir (*Abies bornmülleriana* Matff.), and sessile oak (*Quercus petraea* L.) decreases the surface roughness value of the wood material and a significant difference in surface roughness cannot be detected between planing (Budakci *et al.*, 2013). Gunduz *et al.* (2008) reported that the surface roughness of modified Camiyani Black Pine wood (*Pinus nigra* Arn. subsp. *pallasiana* var. *pallasiana*) is lower. The surface roughness of heat-treated beech machined by milling was slightly higher than that of untreated wood (Ispas *et al.*, 2016). Hacibektaşoglu *et al.* (2017) revealed that heat-treating beech (*Fagus sylvatica* L.) for 1 h and 2 h had a negligible effect on the processing roughness after planing, measured by *R_k*.

Industrial development and international competitiveness impose higher demands on wood industry. New technologies and cutting materials are the key to successful productivity in the manufacturing process (Dobrzynski *et al.*, 2018). Before heat-treated wood materials are turned into the final product, they may need to be machined with classical machines and modern CNCs. After machining, solid wood is expected to be smooth (minimum surface roughness) and free of machining defects. In this context, machining parameters will be determined to obtain the lowest surface roughness.

Therefore, the scope of this study was as follows:

1. To choose optimum machining parameters (cutter type, stepover, spindle speed, and feed) for Siberian pine wood material,
2. To determine the effect of heat treatment on machining properties and to investigate optimum machining parameters to obtain the smoothest surface.

2 MATERIALS AND METHODS

2. MATERIJALI I METODE

Siberian pine (*Pinus sibirica*), which is one of the coniferous tree species with a wide area of use and widely grown, was chosen as the experimental material in the study. The samples (heat-treated at a temperature of 190 °C for 2 hours and untreated) were all randomly selected from Atlas Tomruk, Simav, Kutahya Turkey. They were conditioned at temperatures of (20±2) °C and (65±5) °C, with a relative humidity to the moisture content (MC) of about 12 % (Nuve, ID500). The density of the Siberian pine tree species at 12 % humidity was determined as 0.623 g/cm³ for untreated samples and 0.470 g/cm³ for heat-treated samples (ISO 13061-1, 2014; ISO 13061-2, 2014). The experimental process flowchart of the study is given in Figure 1.

The experiments were carried out on a Diacam 3 axis CNC milling machine (Simav Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School, Simav, Kutahya, Turkey) with a maximum spindle speed of 24000 rpm. New and sharp cutters were used in each cutting test. Upcut milling cutter had cutting helices and, when looking at the router bit with the tip pointing downwards, the cutting helices were inclined to the right. When rotating clockwise, the router bit pushed the chips upwards ensuring an excellent finish on the bottom side of the workpiece. The ability of the positive cutting edge to move the chip towards the shank is called the ‘pulling feature’ and allows the router bit to make single passes. Carbide positive-negative milling cutter (pulling and pushing feature) with positive and negative cutting edges can achieve an optimal finish on both sides of the wood and wood-based materials. These cutters are used in CNC for contouring, sizing, and profiling hardwood and wood composites, laminated, and plastic materials. These cutters have two positive helices at the bottom of the cutting edge and two negative ones at the top. The cutter 2+2 mouth positive and negative structure discharges chips from both the top and bottom of the material and gives smooth results for every surface cut (Figure 2). The ex-

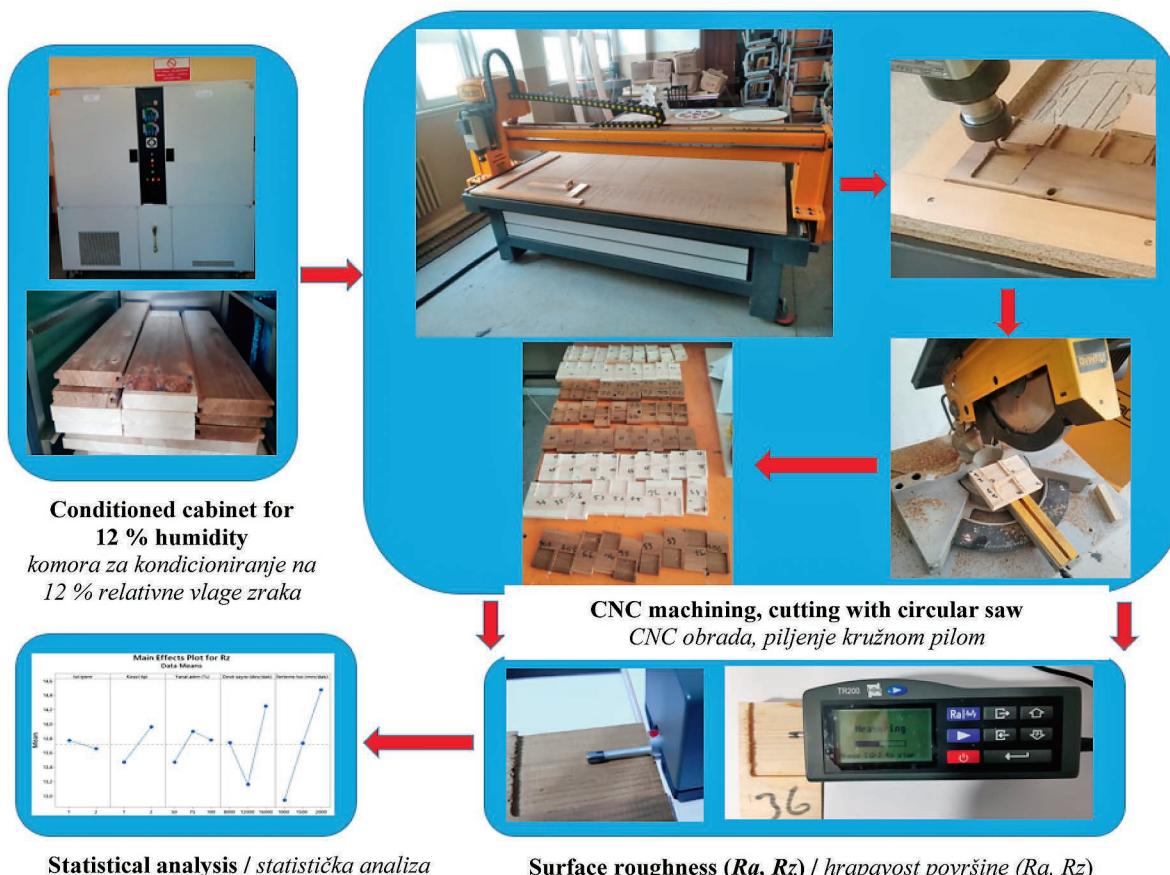


Figure 1 Experimental process flowchart
Slika 1. Dijagram tijeka eksperimenta

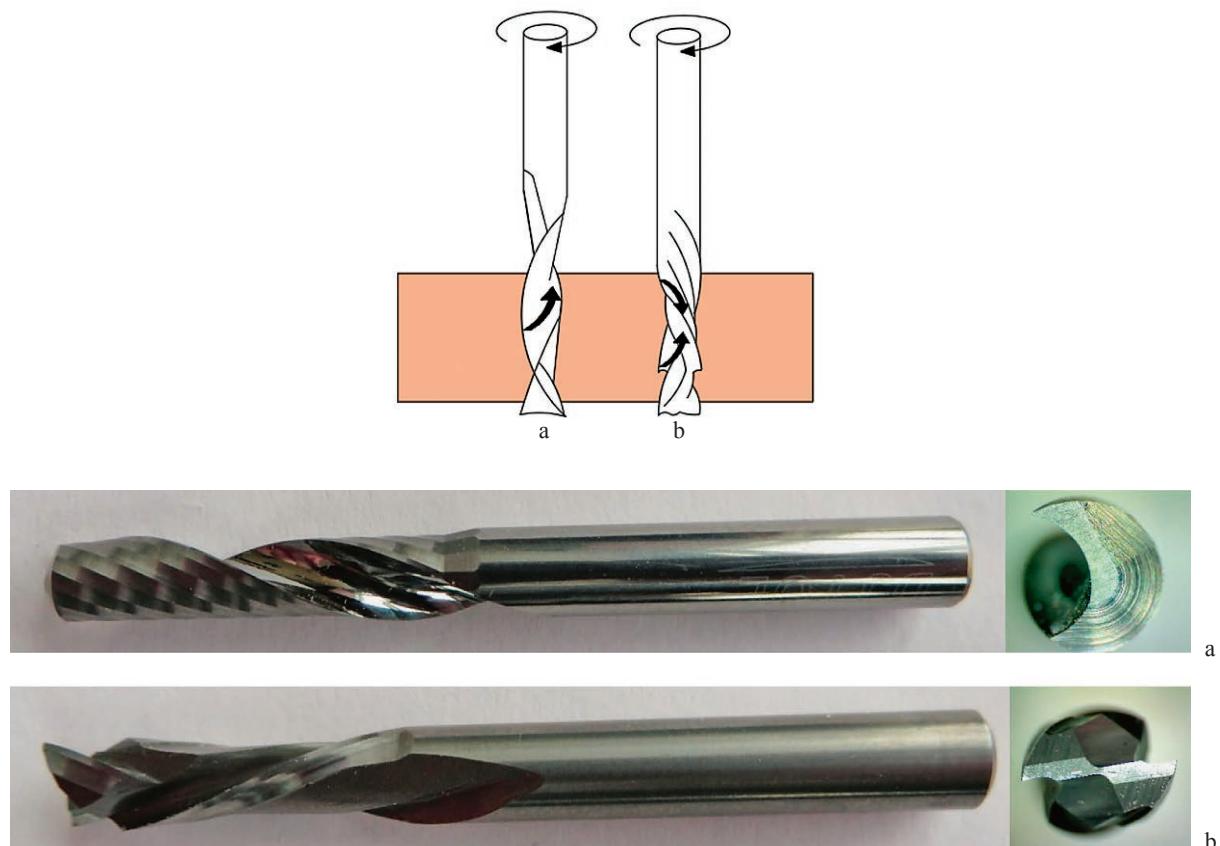


Figure 2 Cutter types: a) Carbide upcut milling cutter, discharges chips upwards b) Carbide compression (positive-negative) milling cutter, discharges chips from both the top and bottom

Slika 2. Vrste glodala: a) usadno glodalo s uzlaznom zavojnicom i oštricama od tvrdog metala; izbacuje strugotinu prema gore, b) usadno glodalo s uzlazno-silaznom zavojnicom i oštricama od tvrdog metala; izbacuje strugotinu i s gornje i s donje strane

periments were carried out with two router cutters (Tooltechnic, Tungsten carbide upcut milling cutter (helix angle: 19°) and Tooltechnic, tungsten carbide positive-negative (compression) milling cutter (helix angle: 23°) with 5 mm in diameter) (Figure 3).

Stepover is a machining parameter that defines the distance between two neighboring passes over the workpiece. It is usually given as a percentage (ratio) of the tool diameter (Topal, 2009). The term stepover is illustrated in Figure 3. Various experiments were carried out in this study under stepover (50 %, 75 % and 100 of tool diameter).

A total of 108 pieces (54 treated + 54 untreated) of dimensions of 50 mm × 50 mm were grooved on wood materials by a CNC router (Figure 3). The sur-

face roughness measurements were performed on a radial surface parallel to the grain at 3 separate lines on each specimen. The measuring parameters (average roughness (R_a) and ten point average roughness (R_z)) are described in ISO 468 (2009). The measurement of surface roughness was conducted according to the protocols in ISO 468 (2009), ISO 3274 (2005), and ISO 4287 (1997). The Surface Roughness Tester Time TR200 (Time Group Inc., China), surface roughness measurement equipment, was used for the determination of the surface roughness values via a contact stylus trace method. Gaussian filter type was used. The Robust Gaussian Regression Filter is useful for wood surfaces and can avoid the anatomical biasing effect (Gurau and Irkle, 2017). The sampling length was taken as

Table 1 Assignment of levels to factors (parameters used in face milling of Siberian pine)

Tablica 1. Dodjeljivanje razina čimbenicima glodanja (parametri koji se koriste pri čeonom glodanju drva sibirskog bora)

Parameter / Parametar	Coded levels / Oznake razine		
	Level 1 / Razina 1.	Level 2 / Razina 2.	Level 3 / Razina 3.
Heat treatment / toplinska modifikacija	1 (untreated)	2 (heat-treatment)	
Cutter type / vrsta glodala	1 (upcut)	2 (compression, positive-negative)	
Stepover / korak glodanja, %	50	75	100
Spindle speed, rpm frekvencija vrtinje vretena, okr./min	8000	12000	16000
Feed, mm/min / posmična brzina, mm/min	1000	1500	2000

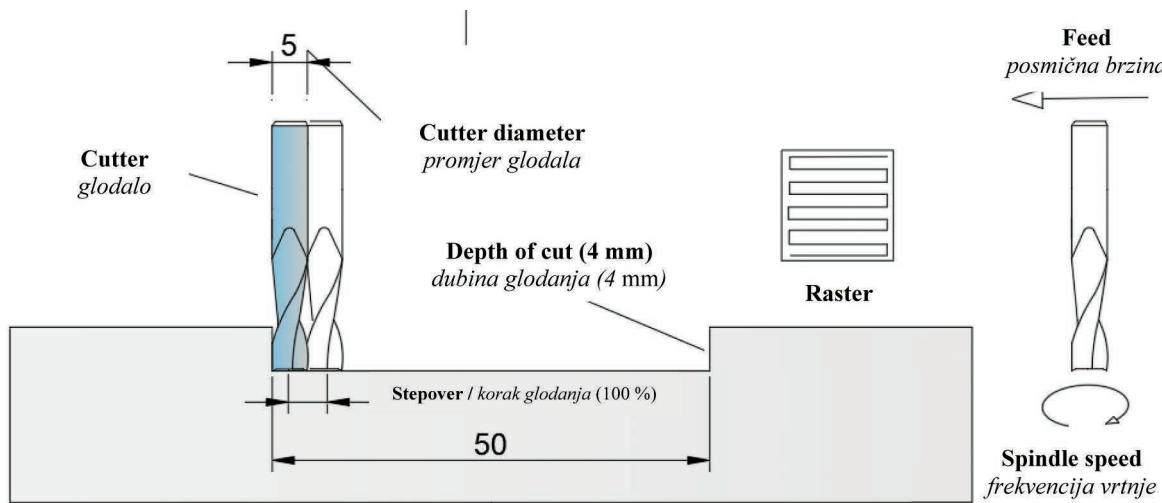


Figure 3 Parameters of CNC process
Slika 3. Parametri CNC obrade

0.8 mm. With increasing scanning length, the spatial resolution (along the scanned profile) was reduced, as well as the accuracy for determining the minute surface irregularities, such as wood anatomical components (Sandak *et al.*, 2020). Surface roughness values were measured with an accuracy of $\pm 0.01 \mu\text{m}$. The stylus probe speed was chosen as 10 mm/min, the diameter of the measurement needle was 5 μm , and the needle tip was 90°. Care was taken to provide adequate measurement conditions - temperature around 18–22 °C with no vibrations. The tool was calibrated prior to the measurement, and the calibration was checked at established intervals.

3 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3. REZULTATI I RASPRAVA

In the study, specimens were machined with CNC to determine the effect of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, speed and feed on the roughness parameters (R_a and R_z). The roughness values measured on the machined surfaces are given in Table 2.

The lowest roughness value for R_a ($R_a = 1.42 \mu\text{m}$) was in the untreated specimens; it occurred in up-cut milling cutter (cutter type 1), 100 % stepover, 16000 rpm and 1500 mm/min feed. The highest roughness value for R_a was in the untreated specimen ($R_a =$

Table 2 Surface roughness values obtained according to machining conditions
Tablica 2. Vrijednosti hrapavosti površine ovisno o uvjetima obrade

Number Broj	Heat treatment Toplinska modifikacija	Cutter type Vrsta glodala	Stepover, % Korak glodanja, %	Spindle speed, rpm Brzina vretena, okr./min	Feed, mm/min Posmična brzina, mm/min	R_a , μm	R_z , μm
1	1	1	50	8000	1000	2.36	11.20
2	1	1	50	8000	1500	2.75	13.63
3	1	1	50	8000	2000	1.99	9.95
4	1	1	50	12000	1000	2.54	13.19
5	1	1	50	12000	1500	2.81	14.09
6	1	1	50	12000	2000	1.54	9.70
7	1	1	50	16000	1000	2.84	14.48
8	1	1	50	16000	1500	2.31	11.42
9	1	1	50	16000	2000	2.74	12.81
10	1	1	75	8000	1000	1.99	10.87
11	1	1	75	8000	1500	2.19	11.73
12	1	1	75	8000	2000	2.63	13.24
13	1	1	75	12000	1000	2.14	11.04
14	1	1	75	12000	1500	2.37	12.19
15	1	1	75	12000	2000	3.00	14.98
16	1	1	75	16000	1000	3.15	15.45
17	1	1	75	16000	1500	2.10	10.03
18	1	1	75	16000	2000	3.81	20.67
19	1	1	100	8000	1000	3.48	17.21
20	1	1	100	8000	1500	2.53	12.63

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21	1	1	100	8000	2000	2.73	15.44
22	1	1	100	12000	1000	3.12	16.60
23	1	1	100	12000	1500	2.95	14.99
24	1	1	100	12000	2000	3.30	16.18
25	1	1	100	16000	1000	3.07	14.35
26	1	1	100	16000	1500	1.42	7.26
27	1	1	100	16000	2000	3.79	17.85
28	1	2	50	8000	1000	1.76	9.71
29	1	2	50	8000	1500	1.89	9.99
30	1	2	50	8000	2000	3.71	18.58
31	1	2	50	12000	1000	2.12	10.78
32	1	2	50	12000	1500	2.67	14.53
33	1	2	50	12000	2000	2.68	14.57
34	1	2	50	16000	1000	2.49	14.41
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38	1	2	75	8000	1500	2.56	12.76
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40	1	2	75	12000	1000	3.08	15.09
41	1	2	75	12000	1500	2.76	14.27
42	1	2	75	12000	2000	2.98	15.50
43	1	2	75	16000	1000	3.41	16.10
44	1	2	75	16000	1500	3.23	15.48
45	1	2	75	16000	2000	3.15	16.56
46	1	2	100	8000	1000	2.43	11.90
47	1	2	100	8000	1500	2.55	12.57
48	1	2	100	8000	2000	3.35	17.36
49	1	2	100	12000	1000	2.61	13.50
50	1	2	100	12000	1500	3.17	15.36
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52	1	2	100	16000	1000	2.53	12.99
53	1	2	100	16000	1500	2.92	14.79
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55	2	1	50	8000	1000	1.80	9.91
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57	2	1	50	8000	2000	3.71	16.63
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59	2	1	50	12000	1500	3.33	15.19
60	2	1	50	12000	2000	3.12	14.91
61	2	1	50	16000	1000	2.28	11.74
62	2	1	50	16000	1500	3.29	16.21
63	2	1	50	16000	2000	3.27	15.66
64	2	1	75	8000	1000	3.10	15.89
65	2	1	75	8000	1500	2.15	10.04
66	2	1	75	8000	2000	2.88	12.77
67	2	1	75	12000	1000	3.00	13.42
68	2	1	75	12000	1500	2.84	1374
69	2	1	75	12000	2000	1.89	9.58
70	2	1	75	16000	1000	2.39	13.08
71	2	1	75	16000	1500	2.87	14.84
72	2	1	75	16000	2000	2.81	14.86
73	2	1	100	8000	1000	2.49	13.81
74	2	1	100	8000	1500	2.75	14.33
75	2	1	100	8000	2000	2.47	11.98

Number Broj	Heat treatment Toplinska modifikacija	Cutter type Vrsta glodala	Stepover, % Korak glodanja, %	Spindle speed, rpm Brzina vretena, okr./min	Feed, mm/min Posmična brzina, mm/min	Ra, µm	Rz, µm
76	2	1	100	12000	1000	1.98	1023
77	2	1	100	12000	1500	2.12	10.20
78	2	1	100	12000	2000	2.02	8.95
79	2	1	100	16000	1000	2.69	13.61
80	2	1	100	16000	1500	3.53	16.33
81	2	1	100	16000	2000	3.42	18.34
82	2	2	50	8000	1000	2.27	13.44
83	2	2	50	8000	1500	2.99	15.34
84	2	2	50	8000	2000	3.33	17.19
85	2	2	50	12000	1000	2.17	10.85
86	2	2	50	12000	1500	3.08	14.77
87	2	2	50	12000	2000	2.65	12.57
88	2	2	50	16000	1000	2.49	12.19
89	2	2	50	16000	1500	2.66	13.40
90	2	2	50	16000	2000	2.41	11.67
91	2	2	75	8000	1000	3.02	14.73
92	2	2	75	8000	1500	2.69	14.51
93	2	2	75	8000	2000	3.02	16.99
94	2	2	75	12000	1000	2.48	12.91
95	2	2	75	12000	1500	2.93	14.64
96	2	2	75	12000	2000	2.71	13.22
97	2	2	75	16000	1000	2.34	12.48
98	2	2	75	16000	1500	3.48	15.20
99	2	2	75	16000	2000	3.10	15.58
100	2	2	100	8000	1000	2.50	12.26
101	2	2	100	8000	1500	3.45	19.15
102	2	2	100	8000	2000	3.49	15.48
103	2	2	100	12000	1000	1.98	9.33
104	2	2	100	12000	1500	2.29	12.07
105	2	2	100	12000	2000	3.07	14.81
106	2	2	100	16000	1000	2.73	12.88
107	2	2	100	16000	1500	2.82	13.49
108	2	2	100	16000	2000	2.63	12.29

3.81 µm) in upcut milling cutter, 75 % stepover, 16000 rpm spindle speed and 2000 mm/min feed. The lowest roughness value for Rz (Rz = 7.26 µm) occurred in the untreated samples, cutter type 1, 100 % stepover, 16000 rpm spindle speed and 1500 mm/min feed. Up-cut milling cutters push the chips upwards and thus ensure an excellent finish on the bottom side of the wood and wood-based materials. The highest roughness value for Rz (Rz = 20.67 µm) occurred in the untreated samples, cutter type 1, 75 % stepover, 16000 rpm spindle speed and 2000 mm/min feed (Table 2).

The lowest and highest Ra and Rz values occurred at 16000 rpm. Statistical analyses were performed by using MINITAB software for a confidence level of 95 % (e.g., significance level of 0.05). The obtained data were subjected to normality test.

As seen in Figure 4, the average Ra and Rz values obtained in average roughness measurements show normal distribution at 95% confidence level, since the

P value is higher than 0.05 ($P = 0.923$ for Ra; $P = 0.680$ for Rz).

3.1 Surface roughness for Ra

3.1. Hrapavost površine za parametar Ra

Table 3 presents the results of analysis of variance for Ra.

According to the results of variance analysis for Ra at 95 % confidence level, it was seen that heat treatment ($0.05 < P = 0.564$), cutter type ($0.05 < P = 0.520$), stepover ($0.05 < P = 0.751$) and spindle speed ($0.05 < P = 0.168$) did not make a statistically significant difference, while feed ($0.05 > P = 0.015$) made a statistically significant difference (Table 3).

Figure 5 shows the interaction of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed in terms of Ra in the main effect plot.

Higher Ra values occurred on the machined surfaces of heat-treated wood materials. Heat treatment

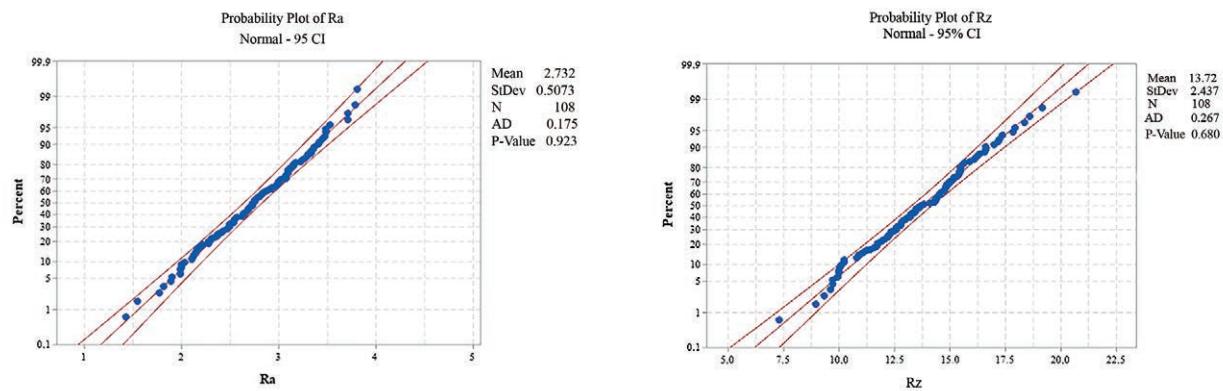


Figure 4 Normality graphs for R_a and R_z
Slika 4. Normalizirani grafovi za R_a i R_z

Table 3 Results of variance analysis (ANOVA) for R_a

Tablica 3. Rezultati analize varijance (ANOVA) za parametar R_a

Source / Izvor	DF	Adj SS	Adj MS	F Value	P Value
Heat treatment / toplinska modifikacija	1	0.0817	0.08173	0.33	0.564
Cutter type / vrsta glodala	1	0.1017	0.10171	0.42	0.520
Stepover / korak glodanja, %	2	0.1402	0.07009	0.29	0.751
Spindle speed, rpm / brzina vretena, okr./min	2	0.8872	0.44362	1.82	0.168
Feed, mm/min / posmična brzina, mm/min	2	2.1399	1.06995	4.38	0.015
Error / pogreška	99	24.1854	0.24430		
Total / ukupno	107	27.5361			

caused the development of surface roughness (Budakci *et al.*, 2011; Pelit, 2014). Heating wood causes a decrease in the volume and mass of the wood via increased stringiness, water loss from the structure of the wood because of the loss of hydroxyl groups, material losses in the cell wall, and the breakup of hemicelluloses (Budakci *et al.*, 2011, Korkut and Kocaeef 2009).

With the increase in the compression ratio (from 0 % to 40 %), roughness values decreased.

Smoothen surfaces (lower R_a values) were obtained with cutter 1. R_a values increased when the stepover was increased from 50 % to 75 %, and there was not much change in R_a values when it was increased from 75 % to 100 %. The lowest R_a values were observed at 50 % stepover rate. R_a values decrease when the spindle speed is increased from 8000 rpm to 12000 rpm. When the spindle speed was increased from 12000 rpm to 16000 rpm, a remarkable increase in R_a

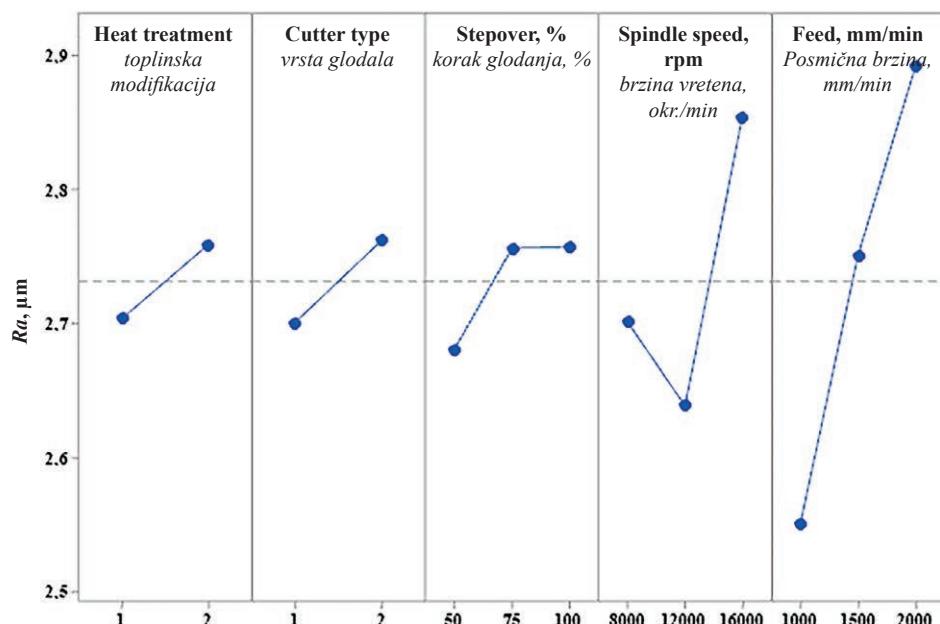


Figure 5 Main effects plot of R_a in terms of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed

Slika 5. Prikaz glavnih utjecaja na parametar R_a u smislu toplinske obrade, vrste glodala, koraka glodanja, brzine vretena i posmične brzine

values occurred. The R_a values increased linearly as the feed increased from 1000 mm/min to 2000 mm/min. When evaluated in general, the lowest mean R_a value according to main effect plot occurred in the untreated specimens, cutter type 1, 50 % stepover, 12000 rpm spindle speed and 1000 mm/min feed.

According to the literature, smoother surfaces are obtained at low feeds in wood and wood-based material experiments. Generally, as the feed increases, the roughness values increase (Bal, 2018; Ilter *et al.*, 2002; Davim *et al.*, 2009; Sutcu and Karagoz, 2012; Karagoz, 2010; Isleyen and Karamanoglu, 2019; Hazir *et al.*, 2018; Pinkowski *et al.*, 2018; Aykac and Sofuođlu, 2021; Bal and Akcakaya, 2018; Pelit *et al.*, 2021, Sofuođlu *et al.*, 2022). The results obtained in terms of feed are similar to those found in the literature.

The increased spindle speed in the rotating cutters decreases the roughness values resulting in smoother surfaces (Aghakhani *et al.*, 2014; Aykac and Sofuođlu, 2021; Davim *et al.*, 2009; Hazir *et al.*, 2018; Isleyen ve Karamanoglu, 2019; Karagoz, 2010; Kaya *et al.*, 2017; Koc *et al.*, 2017; Patel and Patni, 2014; Rawangwong *et al.*, 2011; Sofuođlu, 2015; Sutcu and Karagoz, 2012; Sutcu and Karagoz, 2013). The larger the number of cutter marks per unit distance on the solid wood surface, the better the surfaces can be. (Malkocoglu and Ozdemir, 2006; Sofuođlu and Kurtođlu, 2014; Sofuođlu, 2008). Vibration may occur in the machine, although it varies depending on the CNC and wood type, if the spindle speed exceeds a specific value, and this may cause an increase in roughness. In addition, burning may occur on the wood surface of the

material. It is assumed that the increase in R_a values when the speed is increased from 12000 rpm to 16000 rpm is due to vibration.

Figure 6 presents graphically the interactions of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed in terms of R_a .

When the interaction graph is examined regarding heat treatment and cutter type, cutter 1 gives a lower R_a value than cutter 2 in the unheated specimens. In the heat-treated specimens, R_a values close to each other were obtained in both cutters. A smoother surface on the ground is obtained by evacuating the chips upwards of the Upcut milling cutter. The effect of the cutters was minimized with the changes in the chemical composition of wood, leading to mass loss of texture in the heat-treated wood material.

The R_a value increases linearly as the stepover increases in untreated specimens. The R_a value decreases inversely proportional to the increase in the stepover in heat-treated specimens.

In the machining of untreated specimens, the R_a value increases proportionally as the speed is increased from 8000 rpm to 16000 rpm. In the machining of heat-treated specimens, the R_a value decreases when the speed is increased from 8000 rpm to 12000 rpm, and the R_a value increases when the speed is increased from 12000 rpm to 16000 rpm.

3.1 Surface roughness for R_z

3.1. Hrapavost površine za parametar R_z

Table 4 presents the results of analysis of variance for R_z .

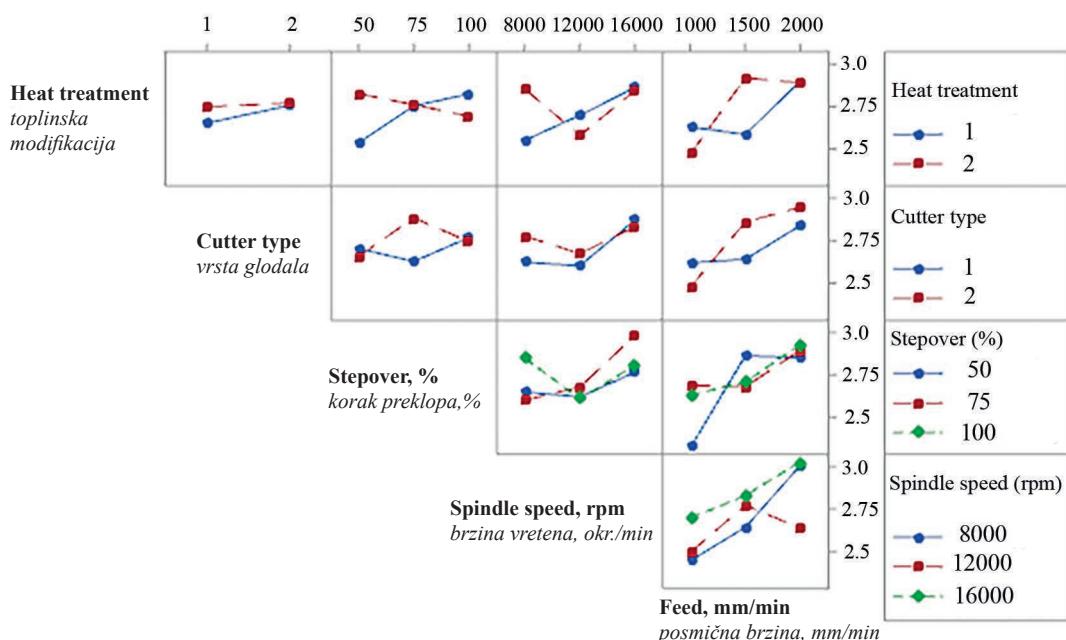


Figure 6 Interactions of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed in terms of R_a

Slika 6. Interakcije toplinske modifikacije, vrste glodala, koraka glodanja, brzine vretena i posmične brzine s parametrom R_a

Table 4 Results of variance analysis (ANOVA) for Rz **Tablica 4.** Rezultati analize varijance (ANOVA) za parametar Rz

Source / Izvor	DF	Adj SS	Adj MS	F Value	P Value
Heat treatment / toplinska modifikacija	1	0.361	0.3608	0.06	0.801
Cutter type / vrsta glodala	1	6.606	6.6064	1.17	0.283
Stepover / korak preklopa, %	2	3.524	1.7622	0.31	0.733
Spindle speed, rpm / brzina vretena, okr./min	2	21.557	10.7784	1.90	0.155
Feed, mm/min / posmična brzina, mm/min	2	42.703	21.3516	3.77	0.026
Error / pogreška	99	560.680	5.6634		
Total / ukupno	107	635.432			

According to the results of variance analysis for Rz at 95 % confidence level, it was seen that heat treatment ($0.05 < P = 0.801$), cutter type ($0.05 < P = 0.283$), stepover ($0.05 < P = 0.733$) and spindle speed ($0.05 < P = 0.155$) did not make a statistically significant difference, while feed ($0.05 > P = 0.026$) made a statistically significant difference (Table 4).

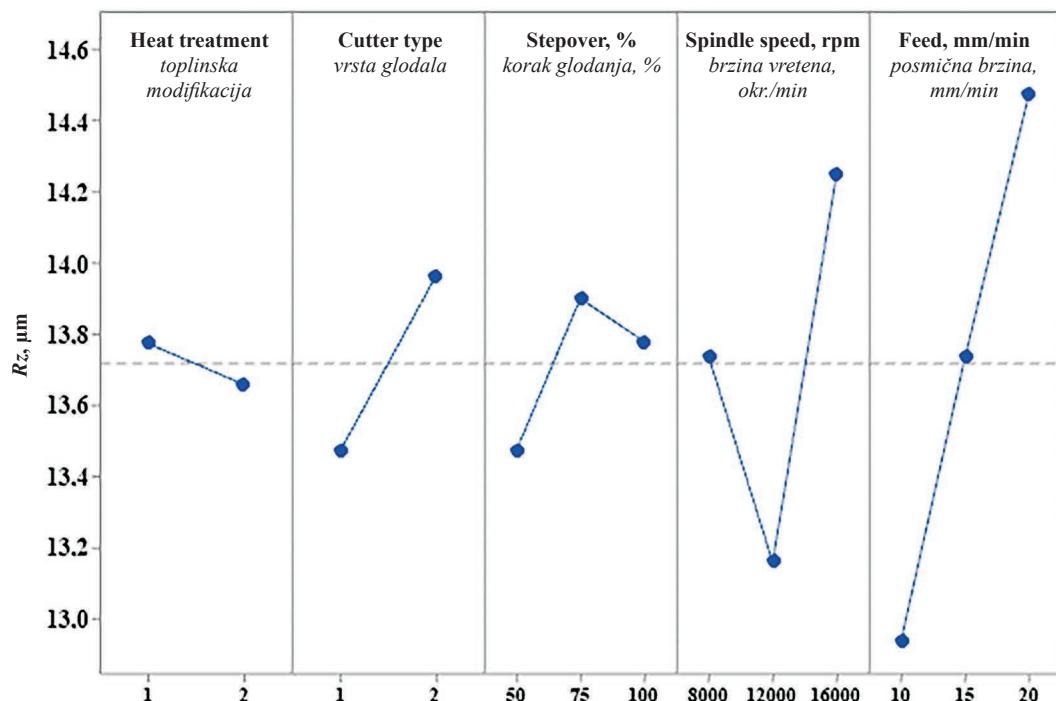
Figure 7 shows the interaction of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed in terms of Rz in the main effect plot.

Lower Rz values were obtained in the heat-treated samples and the machining with cutter 1. Rz values increased when the stepover was increased from 50 % to 75 % and decreased when it was increased from 75 % to 100 %. In terms of Rz values, a decrease occurred when the number of revolutions was increased from 8000 rpm to 12000 rpm, and an increase occurred when it was increased from 12000 rpm to 16000 rpm. Rz values increase proportionally as the feed is increased from 1000 mm/min to 2000 mm/min. Accord-

ing to the main effect graph, the lowest Rz value on average occurred in the heat-treated samples, cutter type 1, 50 % stepover, 12000 rpm spindle speed, and 1000 mm/min feed when evaluated in general.

Figure 8 presents graphically the interactions of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed in terms of Rz .

The heat treated and untreated samples gave similar surface roughness values in both cutter types. However, cutter 1 gave lower Rz values in both types of samples. While the lowest Rz value was obtained at a 50 % stepover rate in unheated samples, it was obtained at a 100 % stepover rate in the heat-treated samples. When the stepover increased from 50 % to 100 %, the Rz value of the untreated samples increased, and of the heat-treated samples decreased. The Rz value increases linearly when the number of revolutions is increased from 8000 rpm to 16000 rpm in untreated samples. In heat-treated samples, the Rz value decreases when the speed increases from 8000 rpm to 12000 rpm

**Figure 7** Main effects plot of Rz in terms of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed**Slika 7.** Prikaz glavnih utjecaja na parametar Rz u smislu toplinske obrade, vrste glodala, koraka glodanja, brzine vretena i posmične brzine

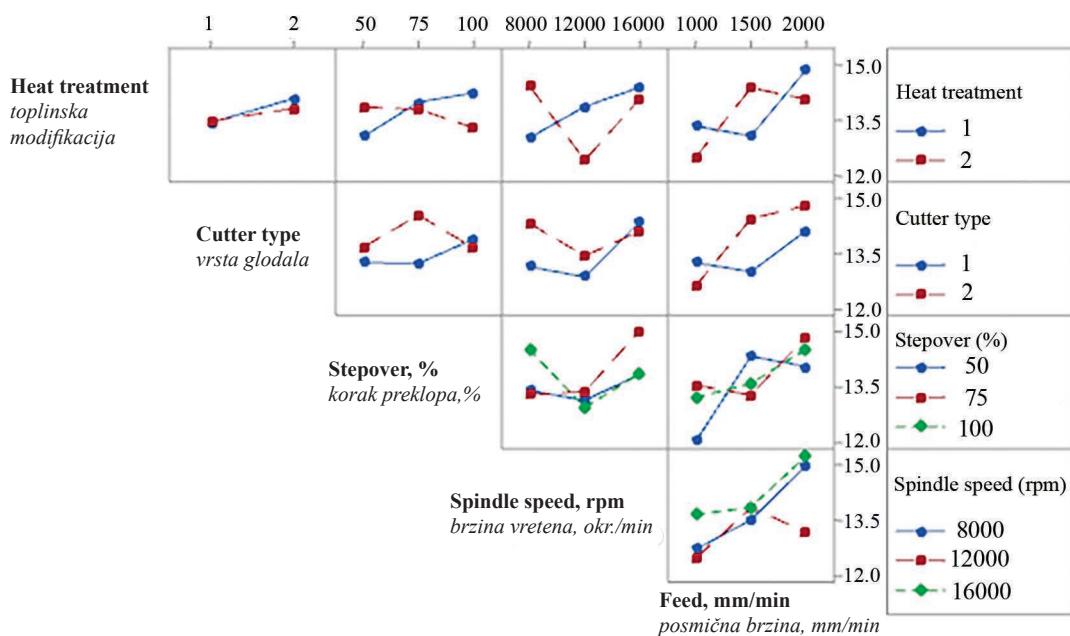


Figure 8 Interactions of heat treatment, cutter type, stepover, spindle speed and feed in terms of R_z

Slika 8. Interakcije toplinske modifikacije, vrste glodala, koraka glodanja, brzine vretena i posmične brzine s parametrom R_z

and increases when the speed is increased from 12000 rpm to 16000 rpm. In general, the surface roughness increases as the feed increases in heat-treated and untreated samples. Low feed speeds (1000 mm/min) and low percentages of stepover (50 %) are recommended for a smoother surface.

4 CONCLUSIONS

4. ZAKLJUČAK

The summary of the general evaluation of roughness values obtained is given below.

In untreated wood materials, it is recommended to use low feed, upcut milling cutters due to the remachining of the same surface at low depth: low lateral step rate, low-speed parameters.

Lower Ra and Rz values were obtained on the surfaces processed with an upcut milling cutter. Upcut milling cutters push the chips upwards and thus ensure an excellent finish on the bottom side of the wood and wood-based material.

For low surface roughness values, a low stepover rate is preferred for untreated materials, and a high stepover rate is preferred for heat-treated materials.

It has been observed that the feed is the most critical parameter affecting the surface roughness.

As the feed increases, the surface roughness values increase.

Surface roughness increases as the number of revolutions increases in untreated samples.

In heat-treated samples, as the number of revolutions increases in the 8000-12000 rpm range, the surface roughness decreases, and its positive effect disap-

pears (probably caused by vibration in the CNC due to high speed) after 12000 revolutions.

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