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## Additive Manufacturing at EWI

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## Outline

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This invention relates to utilizing an electric arc such as is ordinarily employed for electric welding, for the formation of deposits to produce receptacles or containers of ornamental and useful shape



## EWI: Overview

EWI is an advanced engineering services institute that **develops** and **implements** manufacturing solutions around materials joining

- Non-profit applied manufacturing R&D institute
  - 160,000+ ft<sup>2</sup> of full-scale labs spread across 3 facilities
  - \$40M+ in state-of-the-art capital equipment
  - 160+ engineers, technicians, industry experts and member advocates
- Membership-based organization
  - 200+ active members
  - Inquiry, design review, library services
- Centers & Consortia
  - Additive Manufacturing Consortium, ASTM AM CoE, Forming Center, Aerospace Forming Consortium



## EWI: Industries





## Additive Manufacturing: Locations







- Build Envelope:
  - 250×250×325 mm

#### Materials:

- Alloy steels (4140)
- Ni alloys (Haynes 282, Inco 625, Inco 718)
- Stainless steels (316, 420, 2205)
- Refractory metals (Zr, W, Mo)

#### Laser powder bed fusion



- Build Envelope:
  - 125×125×50 mm
- Materials:
  - All metal powder
- Capabilities:
  - Open access to path planning, viewing ports, motor I/O, laser delivery

#### Laser powder bed fusion



- Build Envelope:
  - 250×250×380 mm

#### Materials:

- Stainless steel (316L)
- Ni alloys (Inco 718)
- Ti64, TiAl
- Magnesium
- CoCrMo

#### **EB powder bed fusion**



- Build Envelope:
  - 160×65×65 mm

#### Materials:

- Metals
- Ceramics
- Glass
- Sand castings

#### **Binder jetting**



- Build Envelope:
  - 1.5×1.5×2.1 m
- Materials:
  - Metals
- Capabilities:
  - 5-axis capabilities

#### Laser directed energy deposition



- Build Envelope:
  - 1.8×1.2×1.6 m

#### Materials:

- Metals
- Capabilities:
  - Multi-axis capabilities
  - Closed loop control

#### **EB directed energy deposition**





- Build Envelope:
  - 1.8x1.8x0.9 m, 3-axis CNC
- Materials:
  - Copper and aluminum
- Capabilities
  - Solid state, full metallurgical bond
  - Enables multi-material system

#### **Sheet lamination**



- Capabilities
  - Energy source equipment readily available
  - Core process is well understood
  - Feedstock Availability
  - Deposition speeds





#### **Robotic laser and arc-based AM**



#### COMING SPRING 2020

## Additive Manufacturing: Characterization

POWDER	NDE	METROLOGY	MECHANICAL	METALLOGRAPHY
Particle Size Dist. Hall Flow Apparent Density Tap Density ONH Content Powder Porosity Powder Morphology	Ultrasonic Phased Array Eddy Current Radiography CT Mag. Particle Liquid Penetrant	Structured Light Surface Char.	Tensile Bend Impact Fatigue Crack Growth CTOD KIC R-Curve Residual Stress Resonant Fatigue	Digital Photography Linear Image Analysis Chemical Analysis O2/N2 Analysis SEM/EDS/EBSD TGA DSC Hardness Mapping Grain Size Percent Ferrite Porosity/Inclusion Morphology Char.



#### Additive Manufacturing: Technical Capabilities **QUALITY CNTL.** PROCESSING DESIGN **ESTABLISHED** Material characterization Multi-process Build layout In-process monitoring **Process selection** Part orientation Surface metrology Weldability Non-destructive eval. Heat treatment Parameter development Support strategy Powder characterization Post-processing AM part identification Lab safety Design for additive Powder recycling

DEVELOPMENT

Microstructure control Gradient components AM-to-cast welding AM-to-wrought welding Feedstock composition Large scale deposition Hybrid processing Gas optimization Skin optimization Dynamic beam profiles Novel scan strategies

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# AM Case Studies



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## Additive Manufacturing: Projects Types

- 1. Commercial Projects:
  - EWI confidentially solves individual companies metal AM challenges
- 2. Government Projects:
  - EWI performs research and development projects on metal AM topics to drive AM technology forward
- 3. Centers & Consortia:
  - Additive Manufacturing Consortium (AMC)
  - ASTM AM Center of Excellence
  - America Makes
- 4. Internally Funded Research and Development:
  - EWI invests in technology development through IRD projects to support its membership



## Parameter and Build Strategy Development

### Objectives:

- Develop material parameters sets for PBF and DED
- Develop build strategies for part prototypes

#### Solution:

- Leverage our legacy expertise in weldability and parameter development
- Apply years additive process experience

#### Outcome:

• Developed parameters for 40+

metal alloy systems for L-PBF

 Developed numerous build
We Manufacture Innovation strategies across multiple metal





Prototype

#### Ti64 demo build of a secondary payload adapter

## Application of robotic arc-based DED

## **Objective:**

 Evaluate the feasibility AW-DED to build 308 stainless components

### Solution:

- Part built with 3/8" extra width on each side to allow for edge variation
- 0.5" added to ends

### Outcome:

- Billet/casting required to machine  $\geq$  8" x 8" x 42"
- Process results in an 85% reduction in material required
- 15 hours of arc-on time, 2 hours of interlayer cleaning





## **Faster CT**

## **Objective:**

• Decrease the acquisition and reconstruction time

### Solution:

 Take advantage of the static nature of manufacturing XCT applications (i.e. no movement)

### Outcome:

3X to 10X speed improvements for complex shapes including multi-material assembles





## Surface Topography for L-PBF Quality Monitoring

### **Objectives:**

- Demonstrate the capability detect volumetric flaw generation based on surface topography metrics
- Develop and evaluate in-line repair processes
- Demonstrate closed-loop repair performance

### Solution:

 Provide the capability to measure topography layer-by-layer and implement process adjustments real-time

### **Outcome:**

- Flaw identification of 98.2% based on almost 2000 melt layers
- Flaw reduction from 87% to 99%
- DLA Phase II SBIR award





## **Multi-Location Beam Interrogation**

### **Objectives:**

- Conceptualize, design, and configure a laser beam interrogation apparatus
- Evaluate performance, durability, and applicability inside a L-PBF machine

### Solution:

 Photodiode and pinhole-based solution using the built-in capability of L-PBF machines to raster the laser across the build plane

### Outcome:

- Pinhole survivability testing and design optimization to withstand laser passes at 100W
- Comparable spot measurement to single-location sensors
- Patent application



# Centers & Consortia



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## AMC: Overview

### Accelerating and advancing the manufacturing readiness of metal AM technologies

### **Secondary Objectives:**

- Platform for collaboration across global industry, academia and government entities.
- Execute group sponsored projects focused on addressing pre-competitive AM challenges
- Partner on government funding opportunities
- Forum for discussion/shaping AM roadmaps

#### Members:

• 55 total (full/non-profit/supplier/research partner)

#### **Projects:**

• 6-7 projects in a given year; 12-month timelines





## AMC: 2018 Projects



- 1. Evaluation of Post Process Techniques for AM
- 2. Phase II: In-Process Monitoring & Defect Rectification
- 3. IN 625 and IN 718: Relating Microstructure to AM Properties
- 4. DED Multi-material/Repair
- 5. Comparison of Commercially Available AM Simulation Tools
- 6. Multi-Process AM for Stainless Steel







## AMC: 2019 Projects



Additive Manufacturing Consortium Operated by EWI

- 1. Continuing further testing on current Inconel projects
- 2. Evaluation of powder property measurement techniques
- 3. Assessment of new metal AM technologies
- 4. Feature wise parameter development L-PBF
- 5. Evaluation of commercial in-situ monitoring systems for L-PBF
- 6. Evaluation of NDE techniques for complex AM parts
- 7. Phase II: Evaluation of commercially available surface finishing technologies



## ASTM AM CoE:

Bridging standards development with R&D to better enable efficient development of standards, education and training, certification, and proficiency testing programs











Facilitator of R&D, standards development, and enabling qualification & certification Build industry consortia and work with them to identify and advance standards In addition to R&D, develop education and training resources and tools

Provide expertise in conducting R&D for standards in the aerospace and aviation fields

**Global perspective** on conducting R&D for standards for AM



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