

Additive Manufacturing (AM) at EWI

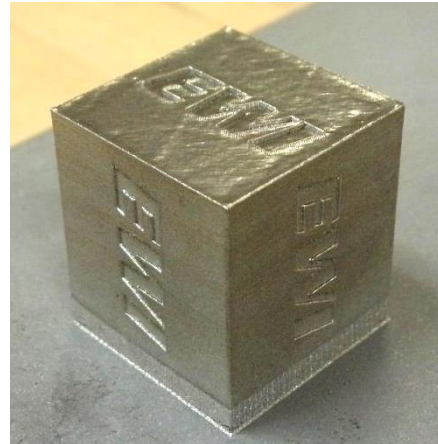


Why is EWI interested in AM?



675 feet of weld
(Audi R8)

1-inch L-PBF Cube



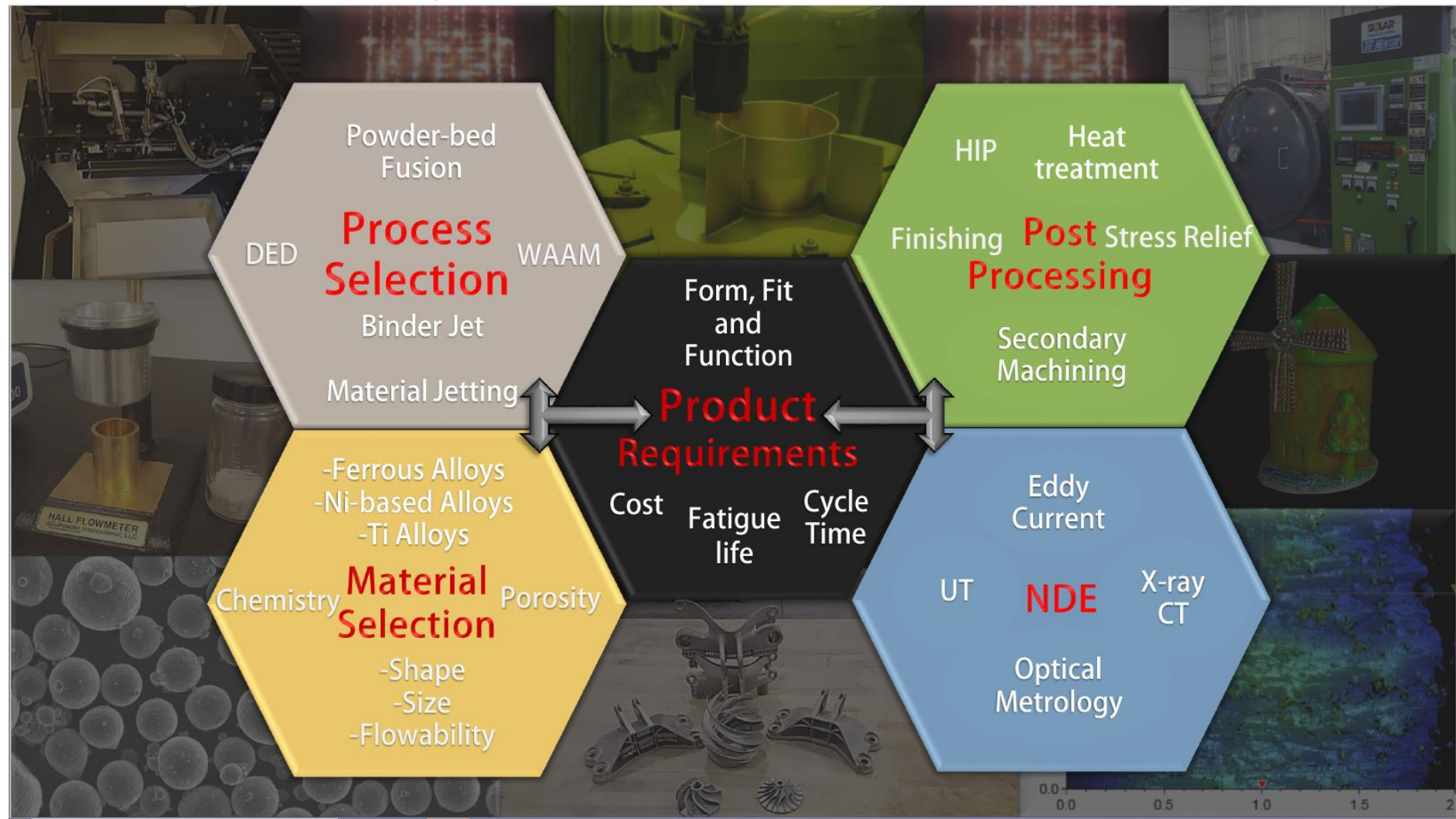
5 miles of weld



3,400 feet of weld

Additive manufacturing is materials joining over and over again!

AM Process Development



Expertise Across the Value Chain

+ Post-Processing



MATERIALS

Competency:

- Weldability
- Heat treatment
- Material processing
- Powder characterization
- Powder recycling
- Powder spheroidization
- Functionally gradient components
- Microstructure



AM DESIGN

Competency:

- Build layout, orientation, and supports
- Identification of AM prospect parts
- Design optimization for AM
- Multi-axis toolpath generation
- AM process simulation



PROCESSING

Competency:

- Material process parameter development
- Application-based process selection
- Large scale AM
- Surface finish optimization
- Scan strategies
- Material property database generation

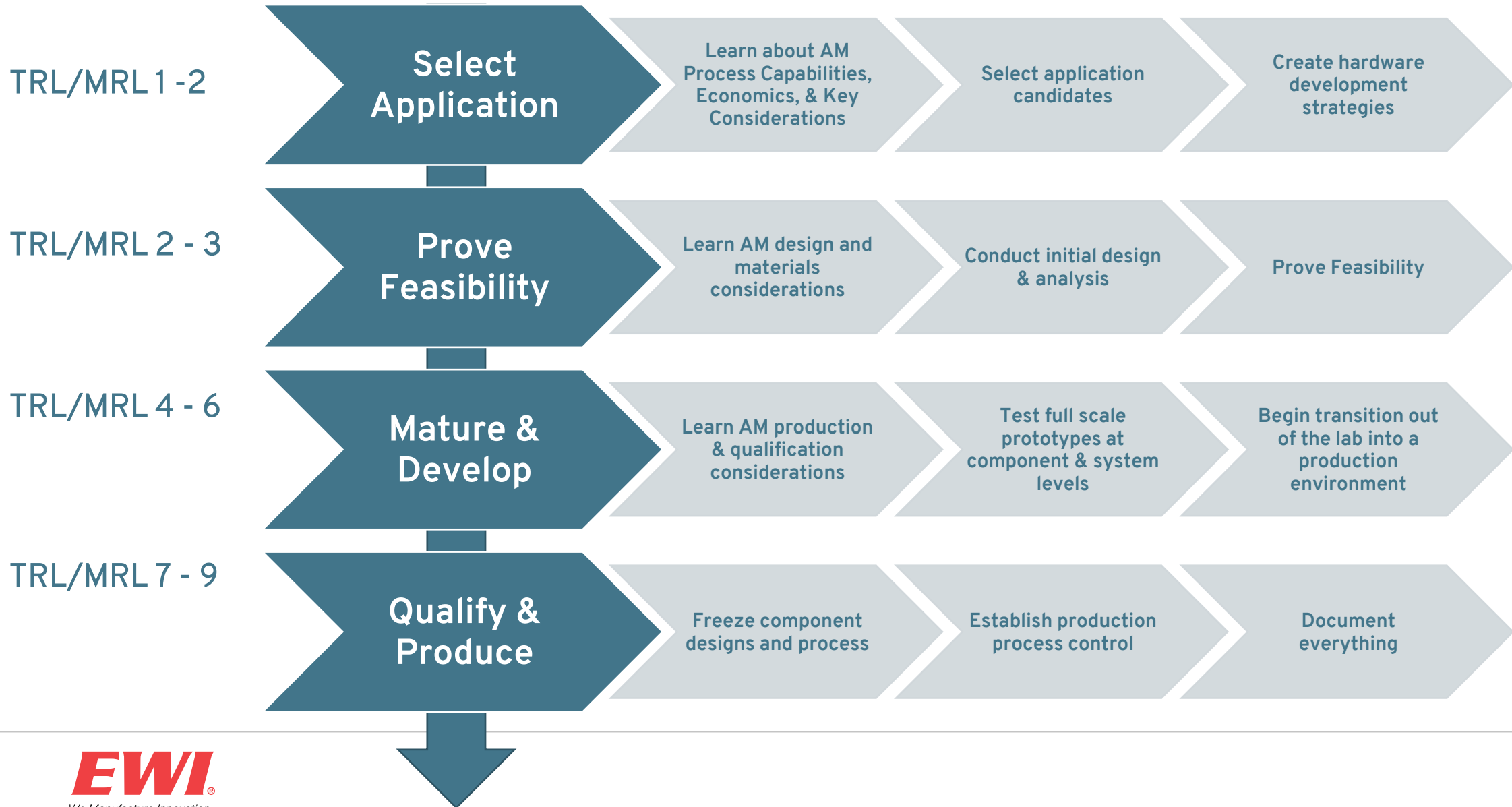


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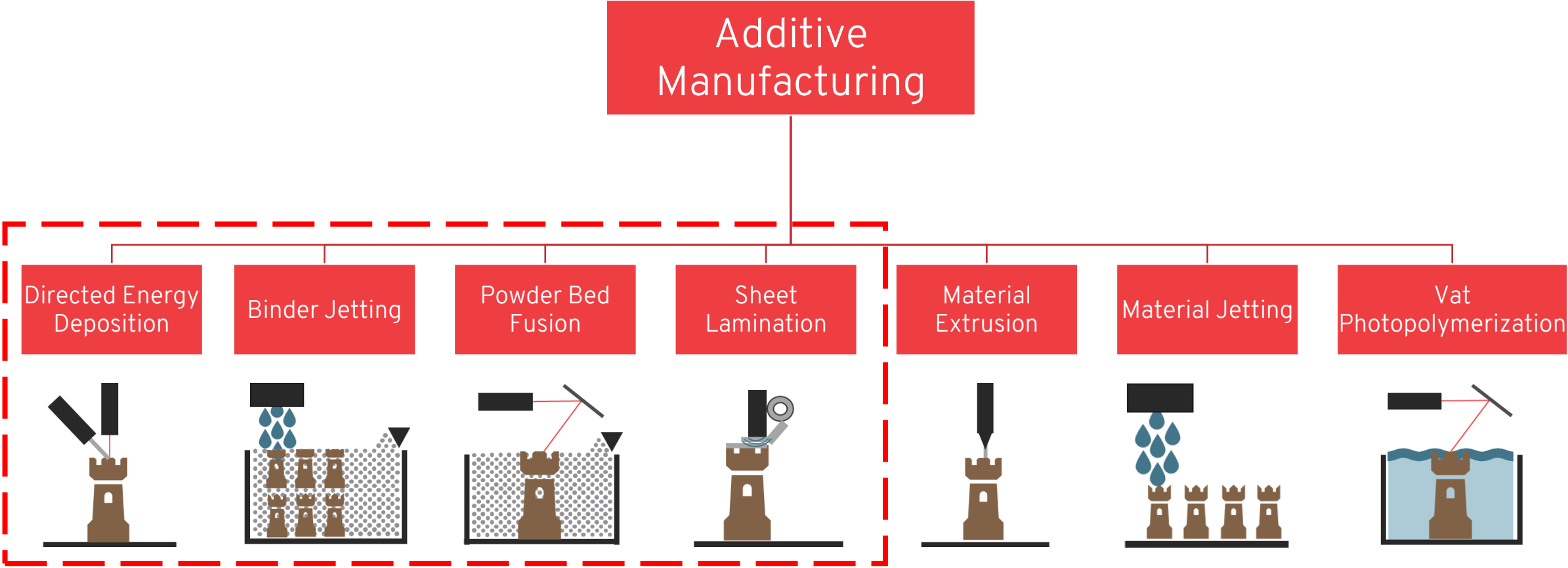
Competency:

- In-process monitoring
- Surface characterization
- Eddy current
- Phased-array UT
- X-ray CT
- Dimensional metrology

EWI's Approach to AM Applications



Seven Broad Modalities of AM (for now)



AM technologies at EWI



- **Build Envelope:** 250×250×325 mm
- **Material Capability:**
 - Alloy steels (4140, 17-4PH)
 - Ni alloys (Haynes 282, Inco 625, Inco 718)
 - Cobalt Alloys (CoCrMo, Haynes 188)
 - Aluminum (AlSi10Mg, A205)
 - Titanium (Ti64)
 - Stainless steels (316, 420, 2205)
 - Refractory metals (Zr, W, Mo)
- **Capabilities:**
 - Production Relevant 400W laser system
 - EOSTATE MeltPool & Exposur

LB-PBF: EOS M290



- **Build Envelope:** 125×125×50 mm
- **Material Capability:**
 - All metal powder
- **Capabilities:**
 - Fully programmable 700W laser system
 - Customizable optics table and build chamber for sensor implementation
 - Open access to laser path planning, recoater motor & scanner galvanometer I/O
 - Preheated platform (up to 500°C)

LB-PBF: Open Architecture System



- **Build Envelope:** 250×250×380 mm
- **Material Capability:**
 - Stainless steel (316L)
 - Ni alloys (Inco 718)
 - Ti64, TiAl
 - Magnesium
 - CoCrMo
- **Capabilities:**
 - Production Relevant Electron Beam System
 - High Temp Vacuum Chamber for processing solidification crack prone alloys

EB-PBF: Arcam A2X

AM technologies at EWI



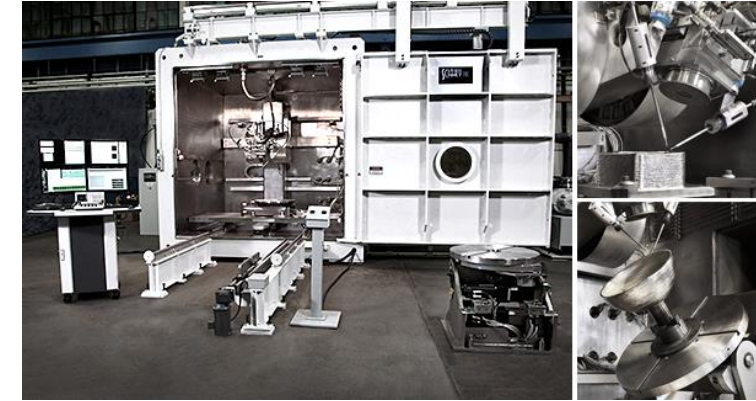
- **Build Envelope:**
 - 160*65*65 mm
- **Materials:**
 - Metals
 - ceramics
 - glass
 - Sand castings

Binder Jetting: ExOne Innovent+



- **Build Envelope:**
 - 5'*5'*7'
- **Materials:**
 - Metals
- **Capabilities:**
 - 5-axis capabilities

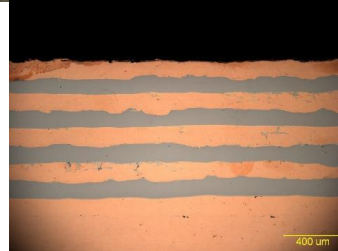
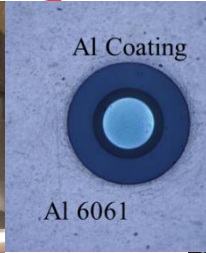
Laser Powder DED: RPMi 557XR



- **Build Envelope:**
 - 70"*47"*63"
- **Materials:**
 - Metals
- **Capabilities:**
 - multi-axis capabilities
 - Closed loop control

E-Beam Wire DED: Sciaky EBAM 110

AM technologies at EWI



- **Build Envelope:**

- 6'x6'x3' with hybrid CNC

- **Materials:**

- Metals incl. Al, Cu, SS, Zr, Ta, Ni

- **Capabilities**

- Solid state, room temperature
- Enables multi-material-system, embedded electronics

Ultrasonic AM: Fabrisonic Sheet Lamination



- **Build Envelope:**

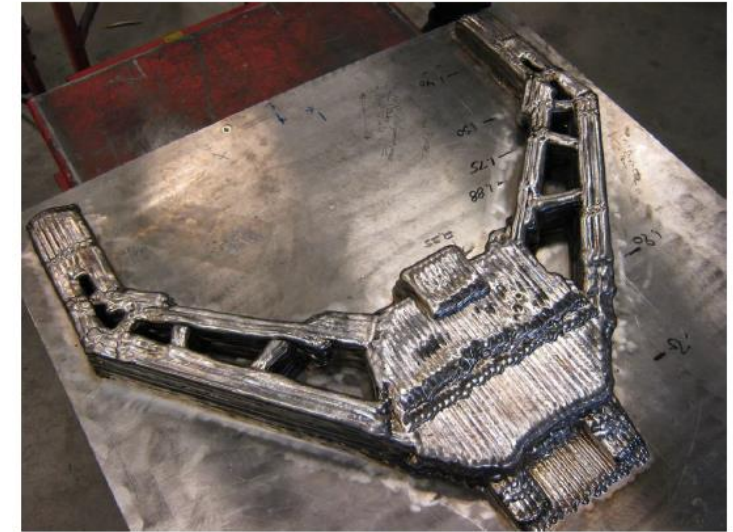
- Open cells with many options and configurations available

- **Materials:**

- Any weldable metal wire

- **Capabilities**

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



Robotic Laser and Arc DED AM: Multiple Systems

Check out our “Introduction to Metal AM” Content


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EWI to present webinar on metal additive manufacturing

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Additive manufacturing (AM) is seeing increasing adoption throughout industry as both a production and a repair technology. Your company wants to leverage its strength and benefits, but how do you get started?



Technology Innovator EWI is pleased to present a free webinar, **Introduction to Metal Additive Manufacturing** on February 10, 2021. This 90-minute online seminar, led by AM specialists Ajay Krishnan and Aaron Wertz, will introduce the basics of metal additive manufacturing and discuss what you should consider when it comes to applications, business cases, value propositions, and material and design considerations.

There is no charge to attend, but **registration** is required. To sign up for Introduction to Metal Additive Manufacturing or to learn more, click [here](#).

Whether you are concerned about implementing AM in a cost-effective and efficient way or you simply need a solid overview of the technology to understand its advantages and limitations, this webinar will address many of your questions.

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AM Application Development Considerations

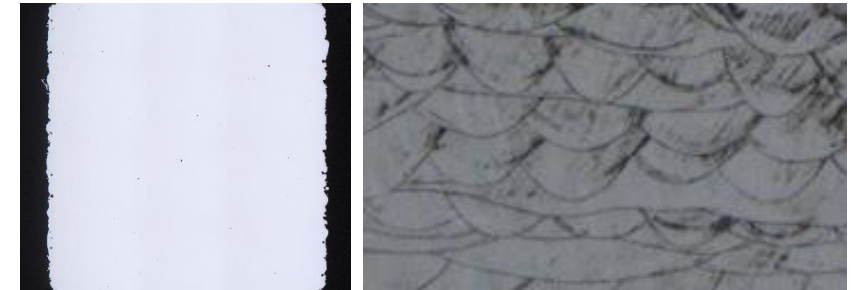
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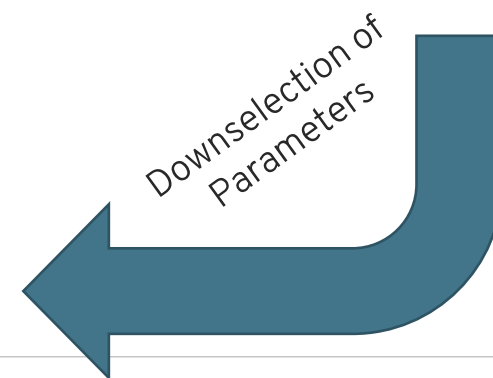
AM Parameter & Process Development



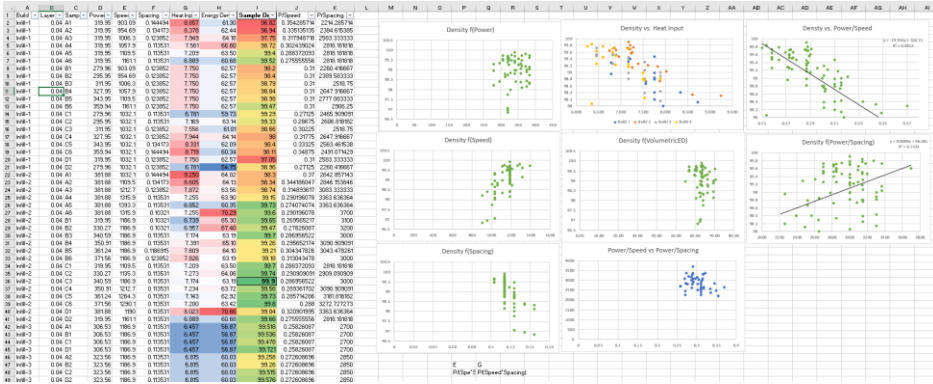
Printing Trials



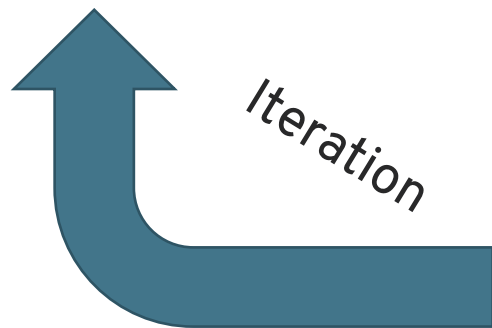
Microstructural Evaluation



Mechanical Testing



Design of Experiments



Iteration

AM Project Examples



New Material for New Application

Objective:

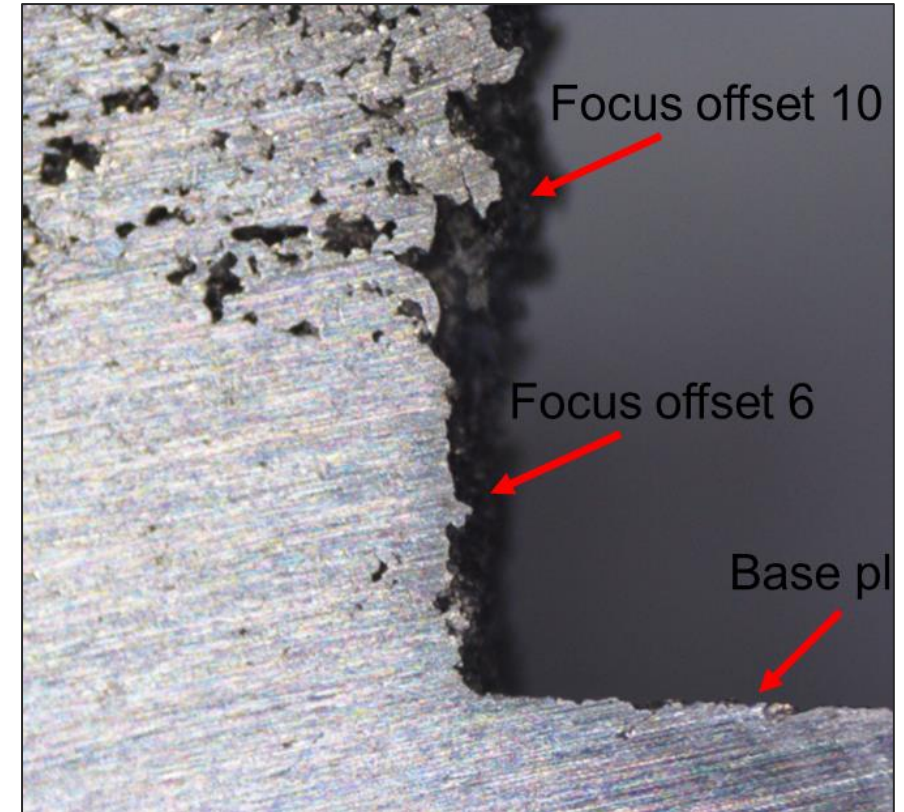
- Enable custom, additively manufactured, medical implant

Solution:

- Developed process parameters on Arcam for *high thermal conductivity material*
- Built test parts
- Validated quality met customer specification

Outcome:

- Customer performing ex-situ testing
- Customer setting plan for clinical trials



Process development for complex geometries

Objective:

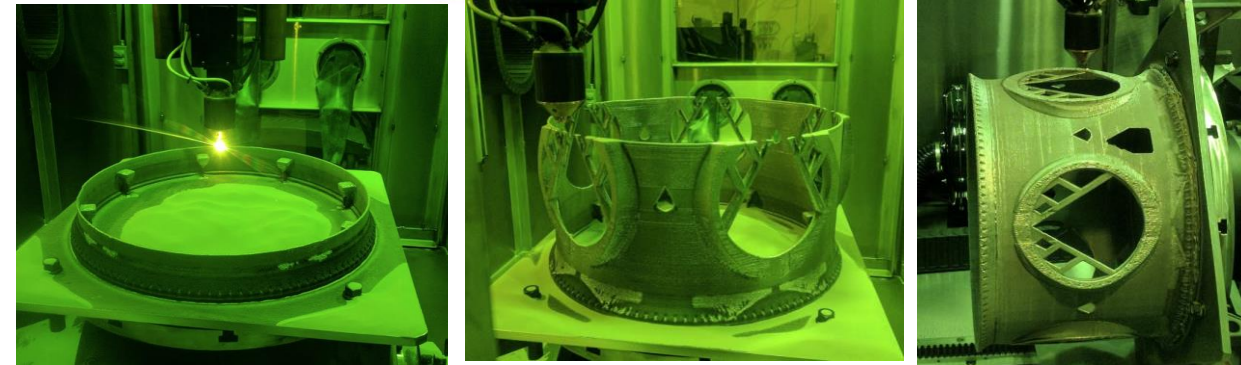
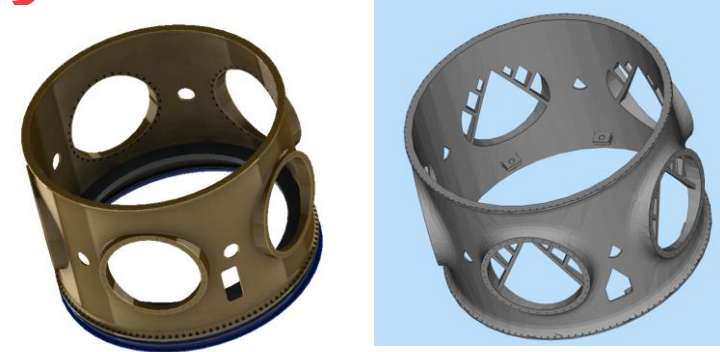
- Evaluate the feasibility of conventionally built part through large scale AM

Solution:

- Redesigned part to make it AM friendly
- Determined parameters to successfully build part
- Developed a roadmap to take part to production

Outcome:

- Prototype part built



MOOG

Video laser powder DED



Application of robotic Arc based DED

Objective:

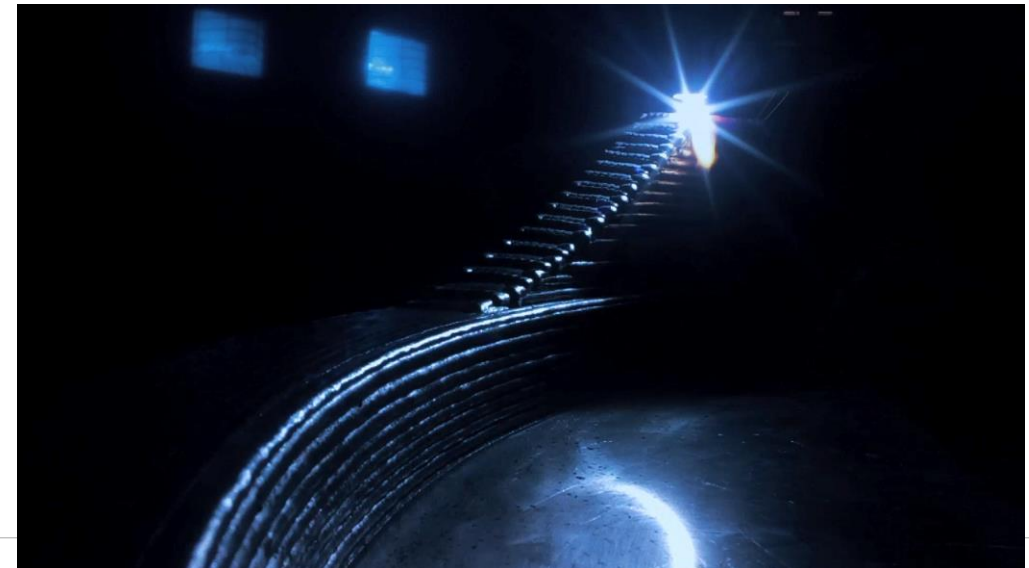
- Evaluate the feasibility GMA-DED to build 308 stainless components

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 $\geq 8" \times 8" \times 42"$
- Process results in an 85% reduction in material required
- "Production" build time:
 - Arc-on time: 15 hours
 - Inter-layer cleaning time: 2 hours



Roughness Optimization for AM Product Improvement

Objective:

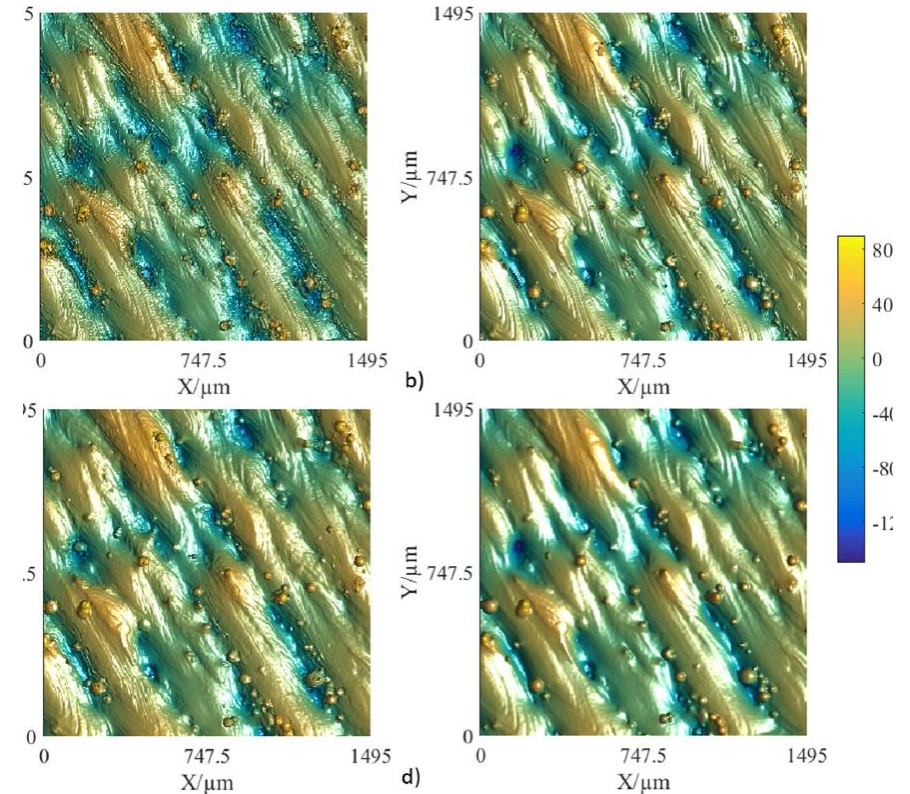
- Improve performance of in-development additively manufactured component by optimizing roughness

Solution:

- Identified metrics and measurement solutions for optimization and quality control
- Optimized surface roughness on critical surfaces to improve fatigue life and fluid flow

Outcome:

- Customer qualifying parts manufactured using new parameters



Example: Comparison of Methods to Measure Roughness

N. Senin et al. Meas. Sci. Technol. 28 (2017) 095003

In-process monitoring for AM

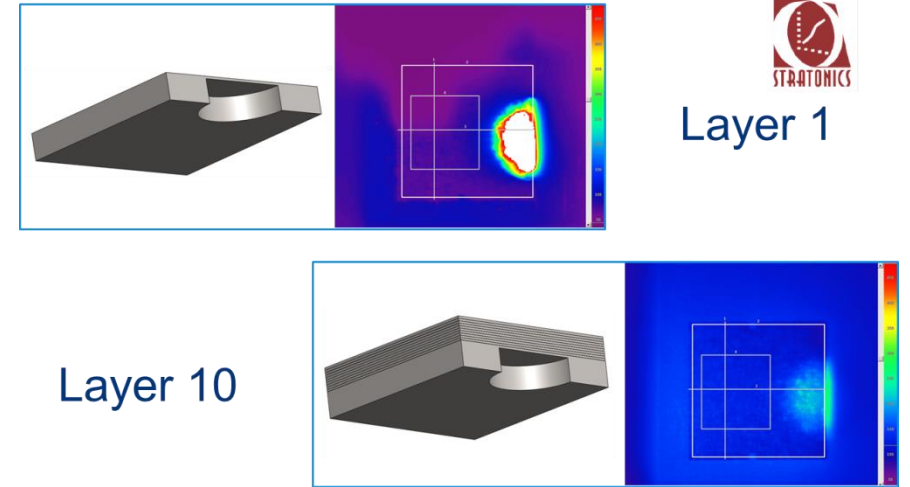
- In Process Sensing for L-PBF

- Developed and built a sensor test bed
- Developing in process monitoring baselines for LPF
- Investigate integration issues on EOS M280

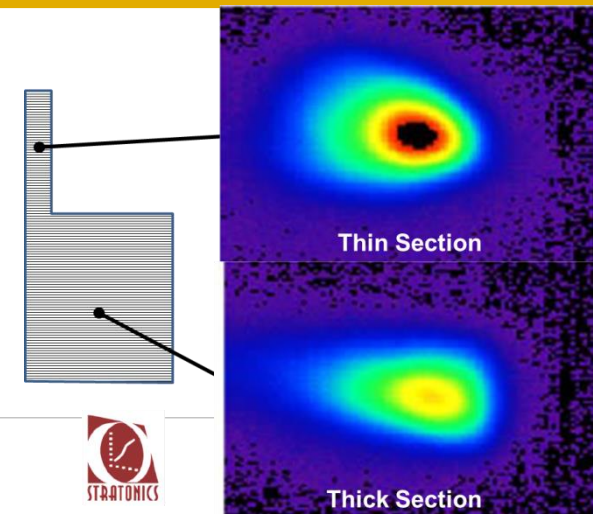
- In Process Sensing for L-DED

- Leading in process sensing task for L-DED repair applications
- Developing methods to quantify powder flow rate in process.

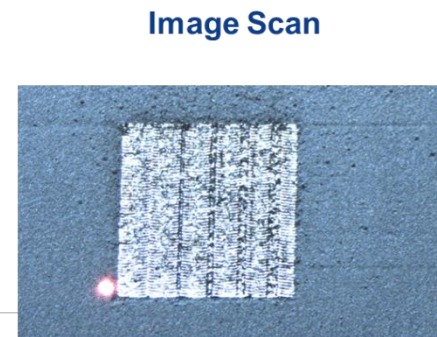
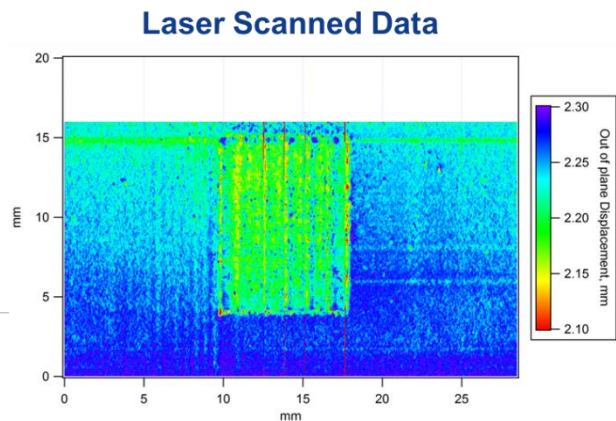
Global Thermal Imaging Pyrometer



Local Thermal Imaging Pyrometer



Global Laser Scan and Imaging



Optimizing Powder for AM/Recyclability

Objective:

Process non spherical powder into powder that can be sold for AM

Solution:

- Sieve into batches appropriate for AM process.
- Select plasma parameters on Tek-15 for:
 - High spherical yield for flowability
 - Removal of powder porosity
 - Reduced O, N, and H content
- Provide cost evaluation on solution.

Outcome:

- Customer investing in processing equipment.
- Extending research efforts into AM process parameter development.

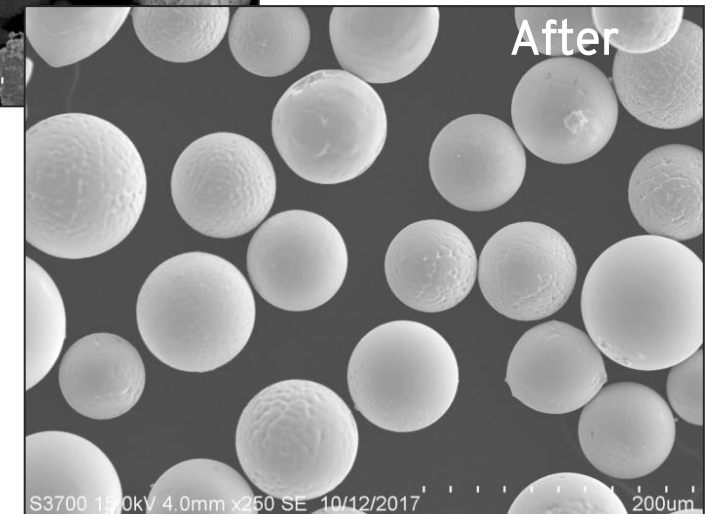
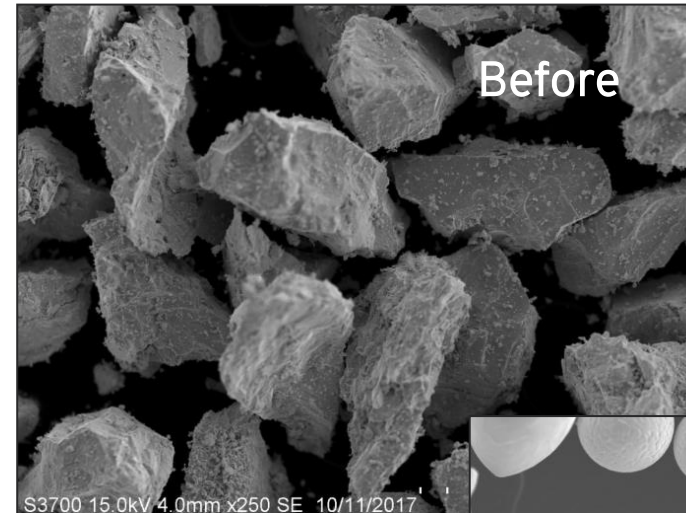


Image: 250x magnification - Before and After plasma processing. (Particle size: 75-105µm)

AM at EWI

EWI advances AM at three scales:

1. **Confidential Customer Projects:** EWI confidentially solves individual companies metal AM challenges.
2. **Consortia:** Since 2009 EWI's Additive Manufacturing Consortia (AMC) has provided:
 - Pre-competitive R&D
 - Quarterly meetings to network and stay in touch with the latest and greatest
3. **Standards:** Founding partner of the ASTM AM Center of Excellence which performs and streamlines the research needed for standards development.

Additive Manufacturing Consortium



Additive Manufacturing Consortium

Mission: Accelerate and advance the manufacturing readiness of additive manufacturing technologies

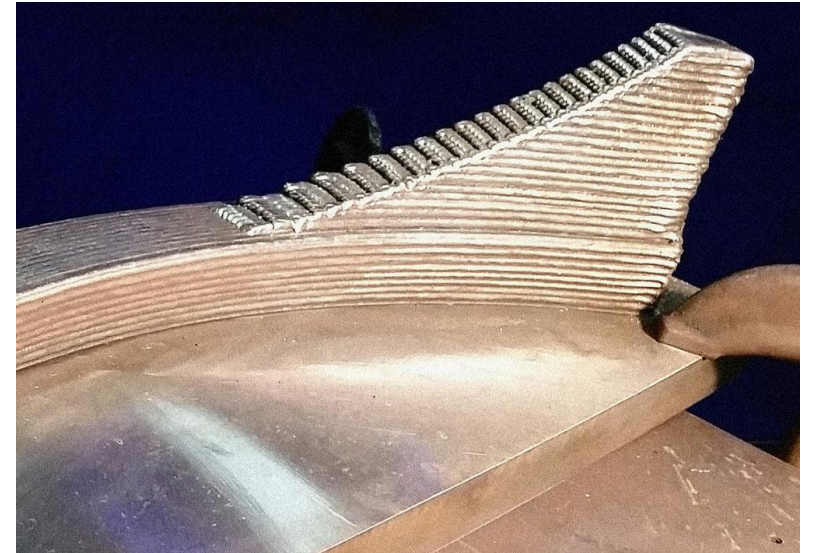
- Goals:
 - Platform for *collaboration* across global industry, academia and government entities.
 - Execute group sponsored projects focused on addressing *pre-competitive AM* challenges
 - *Partner* on government funding opportunities
 - *Forum* for discussion/shaping AM roadmaps



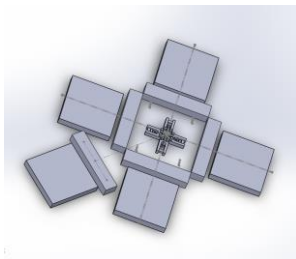
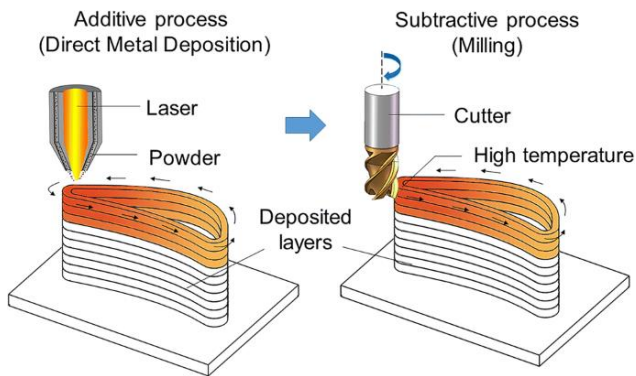
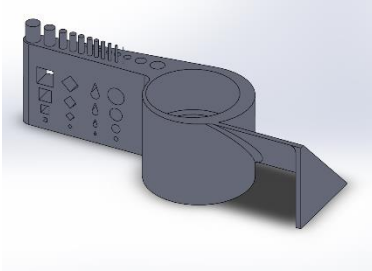
AMC Project Portfolio

Total current project portfolio is:

- +\$4.5M in past project work
- Over \$2M cash/in-kind per year of project work
- Currently 5 -8 projects/year



2021 AMC Projects



- **Phase 3 – Continuation of evaluating new AM technologies**

- Continuing researching new AM technologies, obtaining samples for testing and surveys on the technologies

- **Assessment of new AM technologies - Hybrid**

- Adopting the survey and part from new AM technologies project to cover hybrid systems (ie: additive & subtractive in same system)

- **Investigation into multi-laser systems**

- Completing fatigue on Ti-64 samples from last year's project and duplicating last year's project for AlSi10Mg material build from various quad laser systems (EOS, SLM, Renishaw)

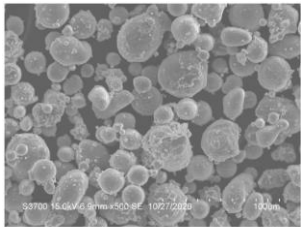
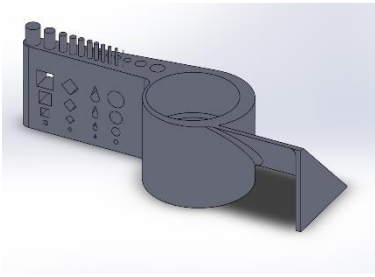
2021 AMC Projects



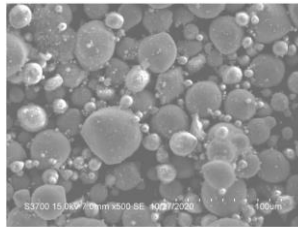
- **Materials Testing in AM – Does your coupon size, shape & surface condition matter?**
 - Studying the effect of coupon size & shape on properties. Determining optimum coupon sizes

- **Deeper Dive into LPBF Process restarts**
 - Study of what is really happening at microstructure level when a process restarts and determining effects of restarts.

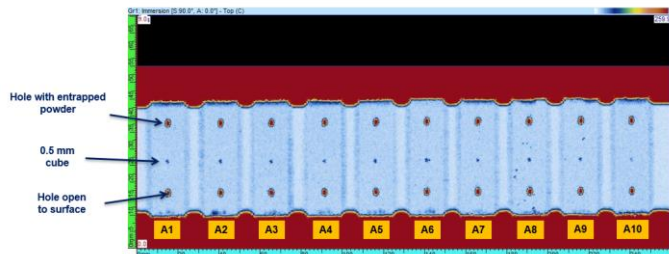
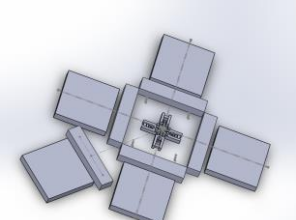
2020 AMC Projects



A7075 Powder



Si Powder



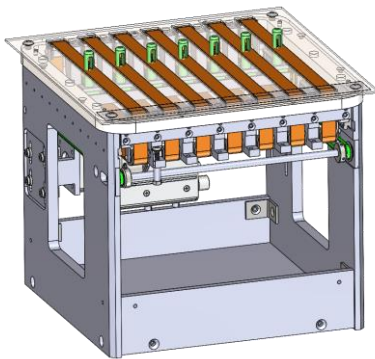
- **Phase 2a – Continuation of evaluating new AM technologies**
 - Continuing researching new AM technologies, obtaining samples for testing and surveys on the technologies
- **Phase 4 - Material Characterization & Testing for high strength aluminum alloys (7075)**
 - Evaluating effect of adding Silicon to AL7075 and comparing to commercial powders from Elementum3D and HRL
- **Investigation into multi-laser systems**
 - Evaluating performance of a Ti-64 build from various quad laser systems (EOS, SLM, Renishaw)
- **Phase 3 – Evaluation of NDE techniques**
 - Continuing study of NDE techniques of using ultrasound and PCRT to detect defects

2020 AMC Projects



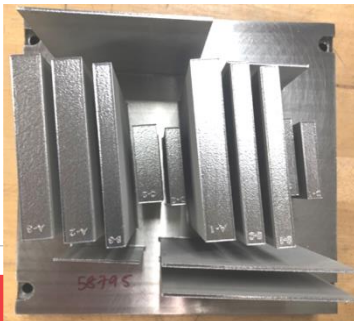
- **Factors affecting AS built surfaces (vertical, upskin, downskin)**

- Study of effect of surface angle on as built surfaces for various layer thicknesses



- **How to qualify machine performance across various manufacturers**

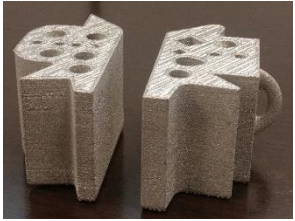
- Evaluating how to qualify machine performance, specifically looking at airflow and laser power but also looking at accuracy



- **Phase 6 - Continuation of IN625/IN718 - Effect of thickness on microstructure**

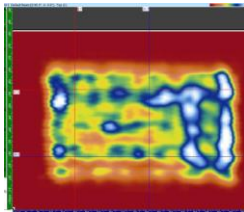
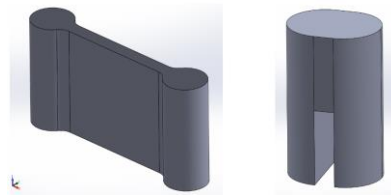
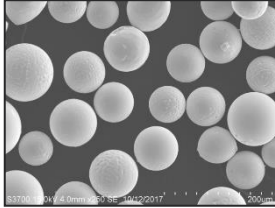
- Studying of effect of thickness on microstructure

2019 AMC Projects



- **Phase II: Evaluation of Post Process Techniques for AM**
 - Processing a part using 8 post process techniques and comparing results. This year looking at the effect of post processing on fatigue results
- **Phase III: In-Process Monitoring**
 - Evaluating all of the commercial available in-process monitoring systems for L-PBF and comparing their results.
- **Phase V: Continuing Further Testing on Current Projects IN 625 and IN 718 and Relating Microstructure to AM Properties – Fatigue & Creep**
 - Studying the fatigue and creep resistance of AM printed parts

2019 AMC Projects



- **Evaluation and compare powder measurement techniques**
 - Evaluation of available powder measurement techniques to determine what system works best for specific types of powder
- **Assessment of new AM metal AM technologies**
 - Reviewing the “new” metal AM technologies and then comparing the properties of parts printed using those technologies
- **Feature wise Parameter development for L-PBF**
 - Looking at how parameters should be varied for specific types of geometries (ie: bridges or thin walls)
- **Phase II: Evaluation of NDE techniques for complex AM parts**
 - Determining the best NDE techniques to analyze a complex AM part

ASTM AM Center of Excellence



AM standards advancement is not happening fast enough to keep pace with rapid AM technology development.

Current ad hoc approach results in:

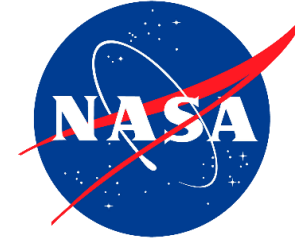
Standards gaps and duplication

Inconsistent standards R&D across industries and geographies

No dedicated workforce to drive R&D for standards

Lack of global acceptance of standards

ASTM AM CoE Partners



Facilitator of R&D, standards development, and enabling qualification & certification

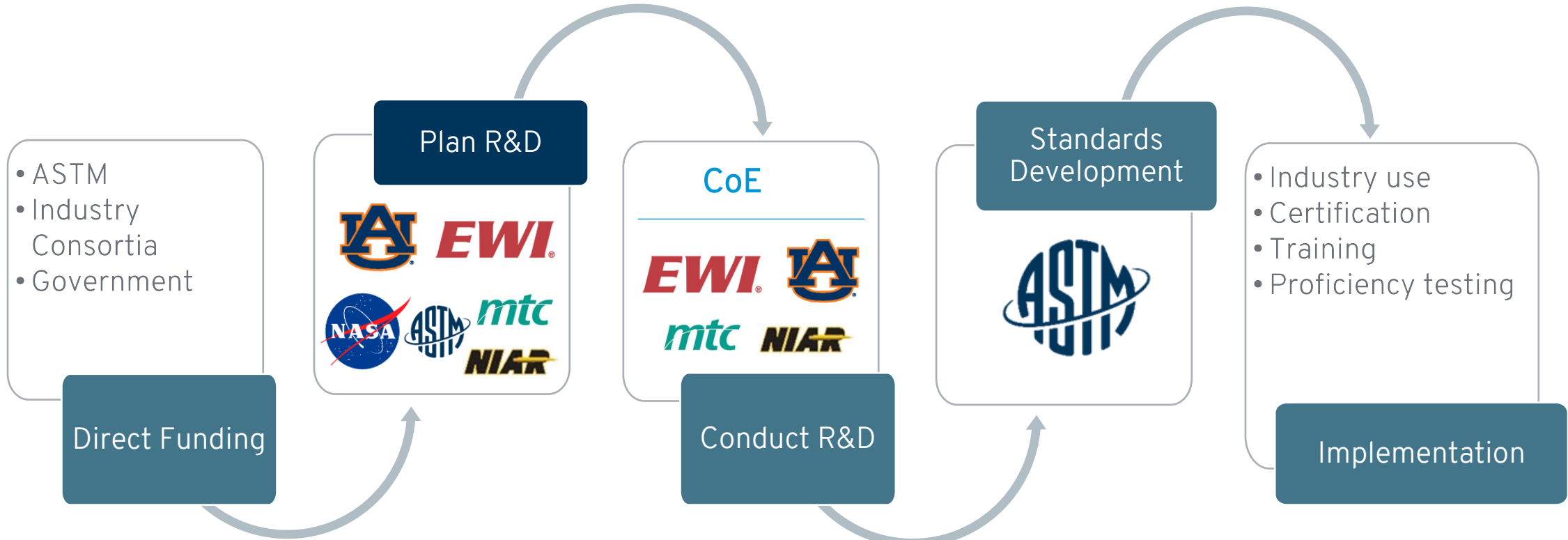
Build industry consortia and work with them to identify and advance standards

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

How it works



Benchmarking materials, testing, processes, and machinery for standards development

THANK YOU



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