



# 3D digitization and Rapid Prototyping SLS/DLMS/SLM technology

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# 3D printing

## Abbreviations

SLS – Selective Laser Sintering

DMLS - Direct Metal Laser Sintering

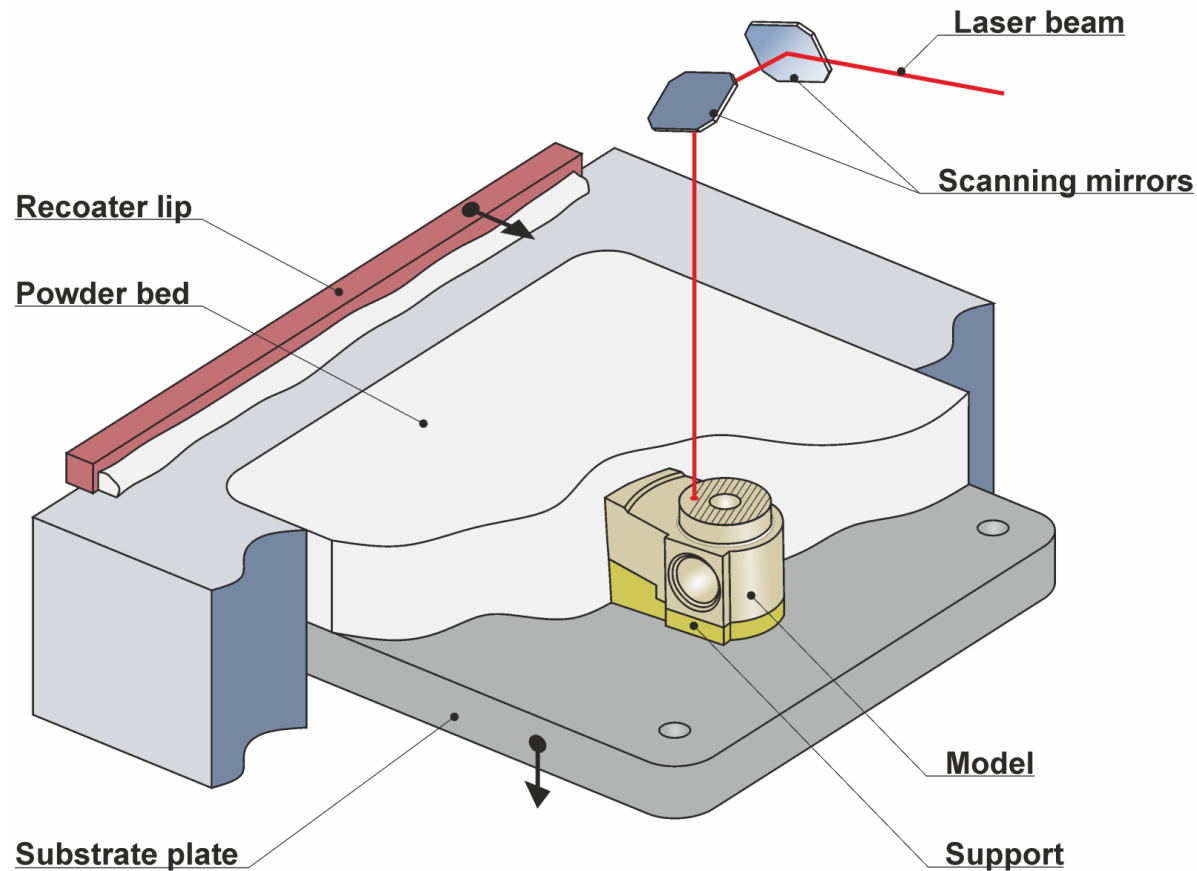
EBM - Electron Beam Melting

SLM – Selective Laser Melting

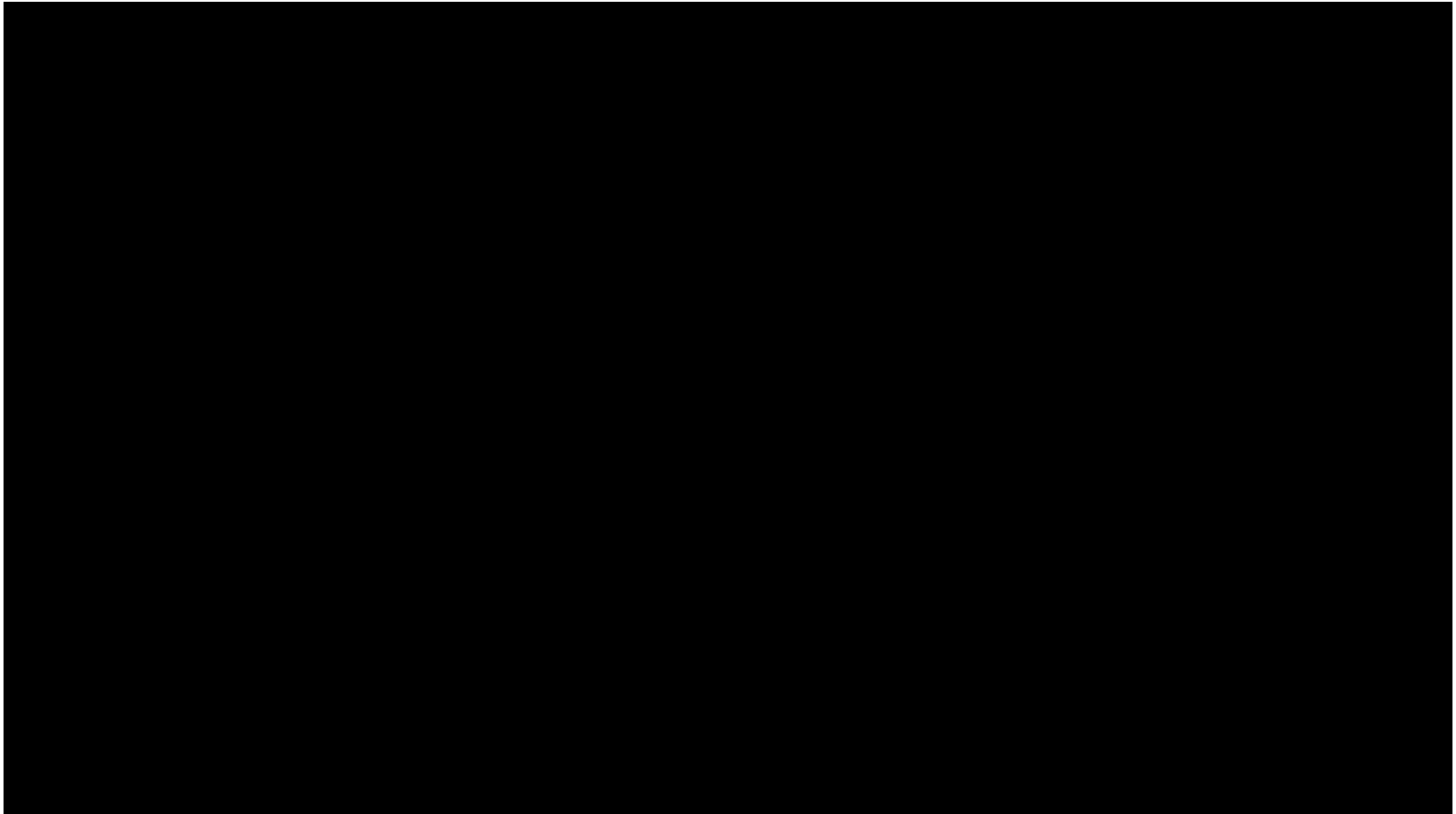


# SLS

# Principle of SLS/SLM/DMLS technologies



# SLS – Selective Laser Sintering



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Selective Laser Sintering

# SLS – Selective Laser Sintering

Selective sintering of powder

Suitable for plastics, ceramics, or other synthetic materials (carbon or etc)

There is only „sintering process“



# SLS – Selective Laser Sintering

- Patented in 1980
- Developed at University of Texas with money from DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency)
- Suitable on different applications (automotive, aviation, medicine, architecture)

# SLS – Selective Laser Sintering

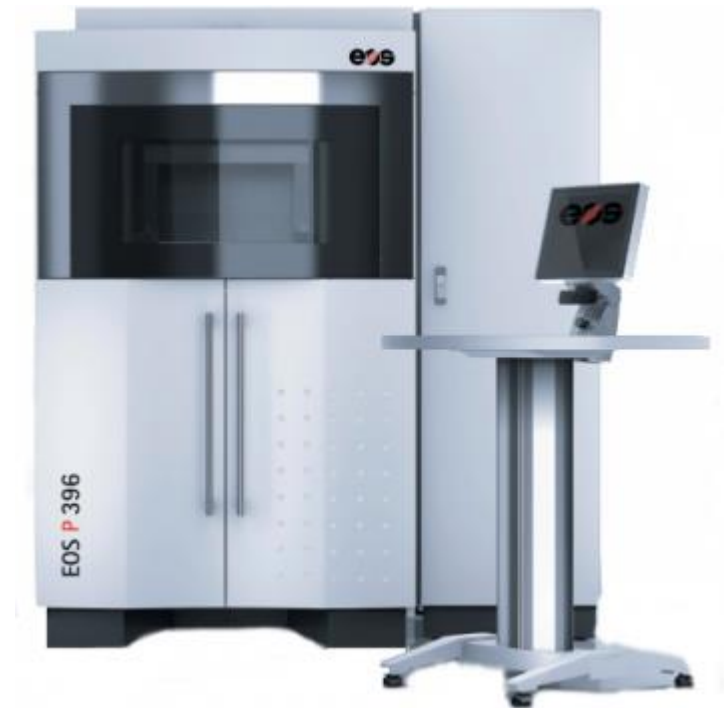
EOS

**EOS P 396**

340mm x 340mm x 600mm

CO<sub>2</sub> laser – 70W

Layer thickness 100µm



# SLS – Selective Laser Sintering

3D systems

**ProX SLS 500**

381 x 330 x 460 mm

CO<sub>2</sub> laser – 100W

Layer thickness - 150µm

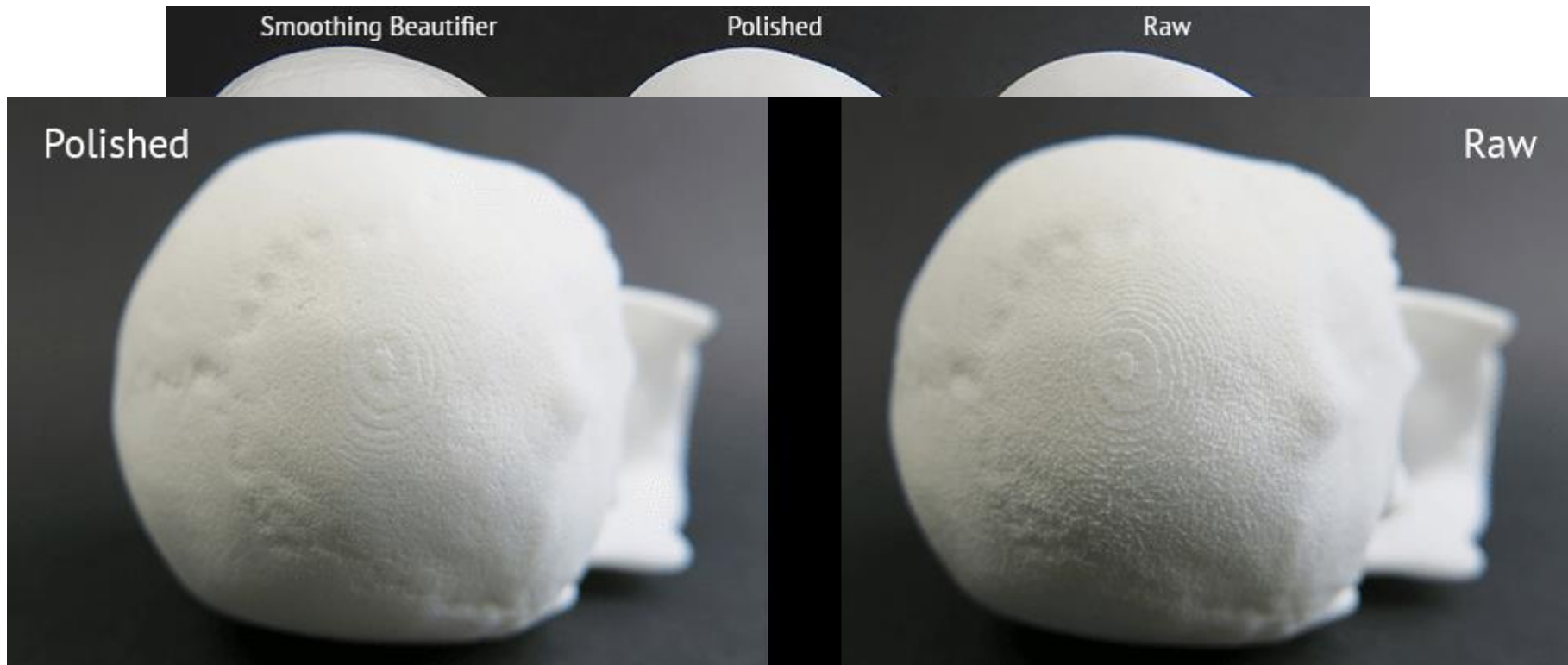


# SLS – Selective Laser Sintering

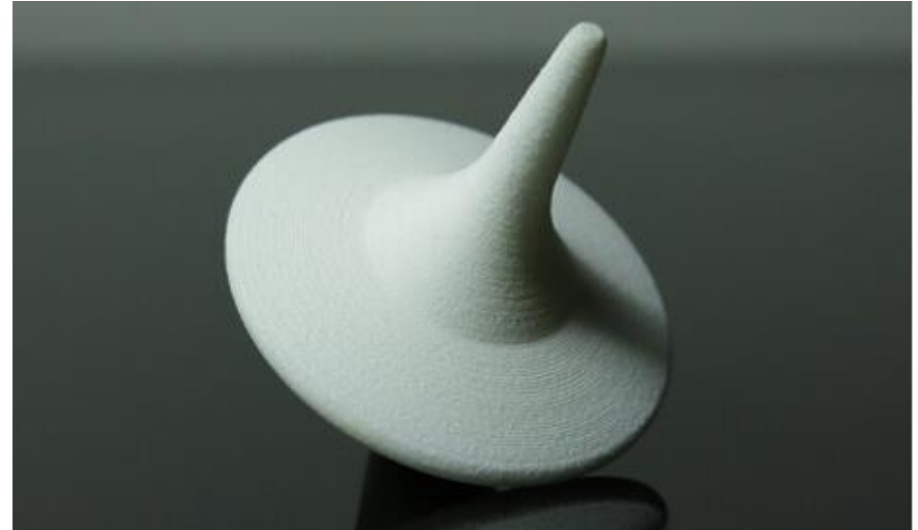


# Materials

PA 2200 – base polymer



# PA2200



Standard layer thickness

100 - 150 $\mu$ m

High Definition layer thickness

60 $\mu$ m

Accuracy

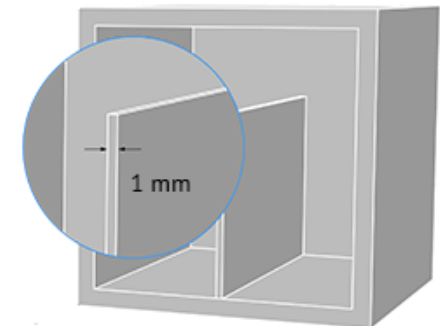
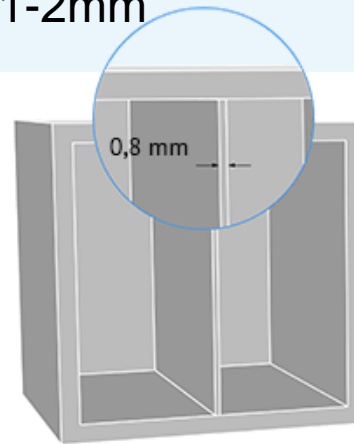
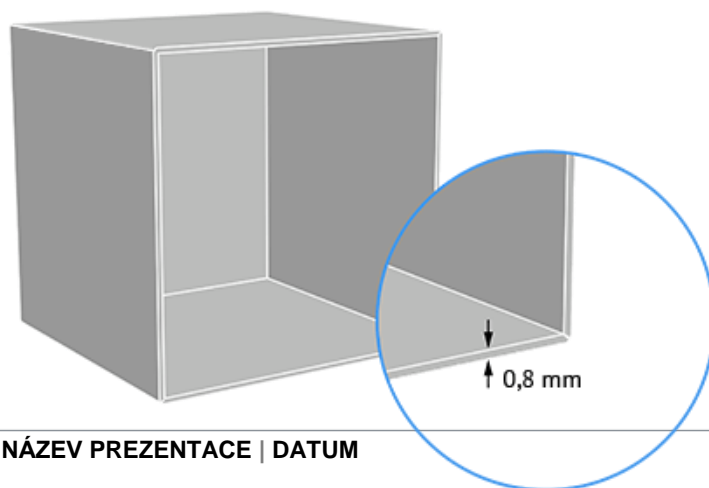
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# PA2200

## Minimum Thickness and Geometry

Minimum wall thickness (flexible)	0.8mm
Minimum wall thickness(rigid)	2mm
Minimum wall thickness stemmed elements	0.8mm with support 1mm without support
Minimum wall thickness particular design aspects	1-2mm



# PA2200

Mechanical Properties	Conditions	Unit	Value
Density of laser-sintered part	EOS-Method	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	min. 0.90 / max. 0.95
Tensile Modulus	DIN EN ISO 527	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	1700 ± 150
Tensile strength	DIN EN ISO 527	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	45 ± 3
Elongation at break	DIN EN ISO 527	%	20 ± 5
Melting point	DIN 53736	°C	min. 172 / max. 180



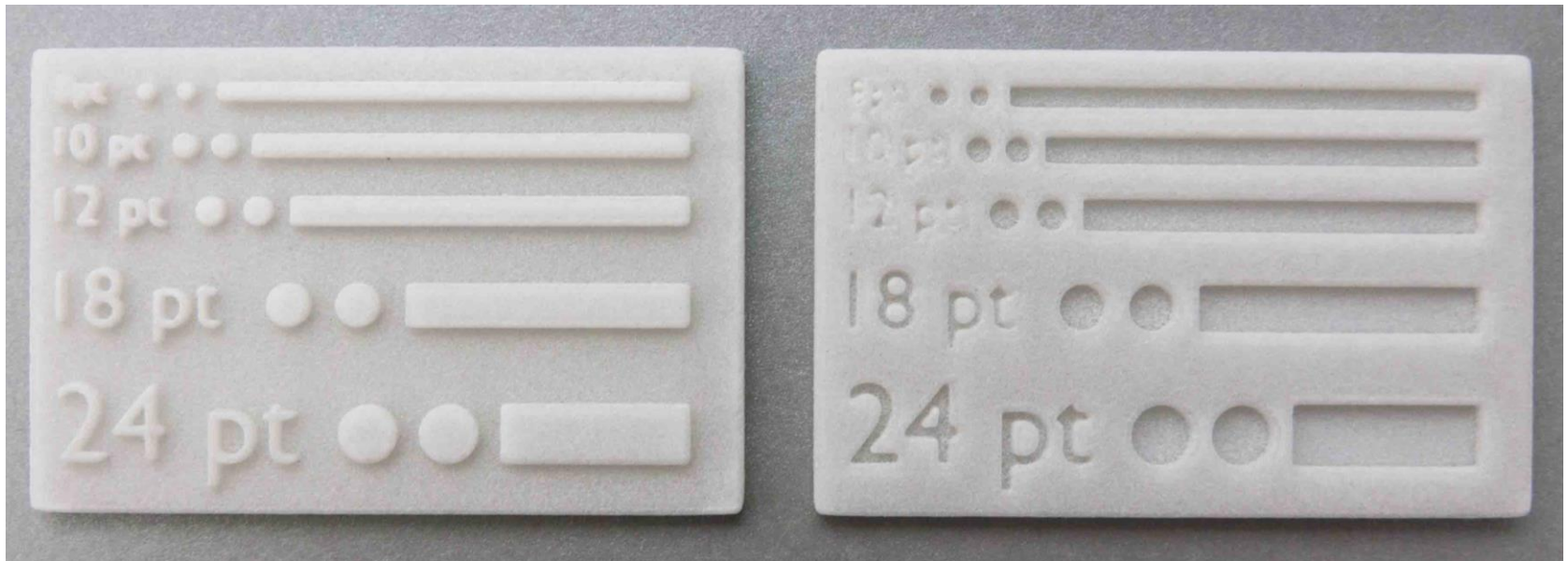


# Material

PA 3200 GF – polyamide with glass



# PA 3200 GF



Standard layer thickness

100 $\mu$ m

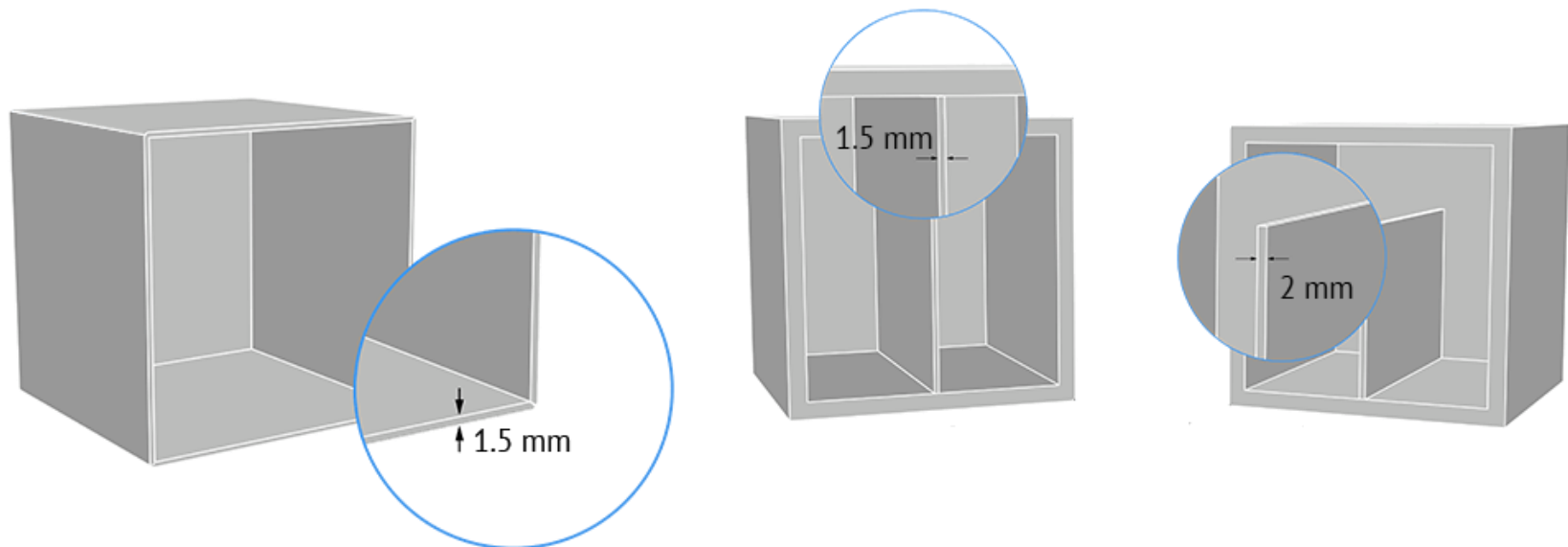
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# PA 3200 GF

## Minimum Thickness and Geometry

Minimum wall thickness	1.5 mm
Minimum wall thickness for particular design aspects	2 mm



# PA 3200 GF

Mechanical Properties	Conditions	Unit	Value
Density of laser-sintered part	EOS-Method	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	1220
Tensile Modulus	DIN EN ISO 527	MPa	3200
Tensile strength	DIN EN ISO 527	MPa	51
Strain at break	DIN EN ISO 527	%	9
Melting point	DIN 11357	°C	176

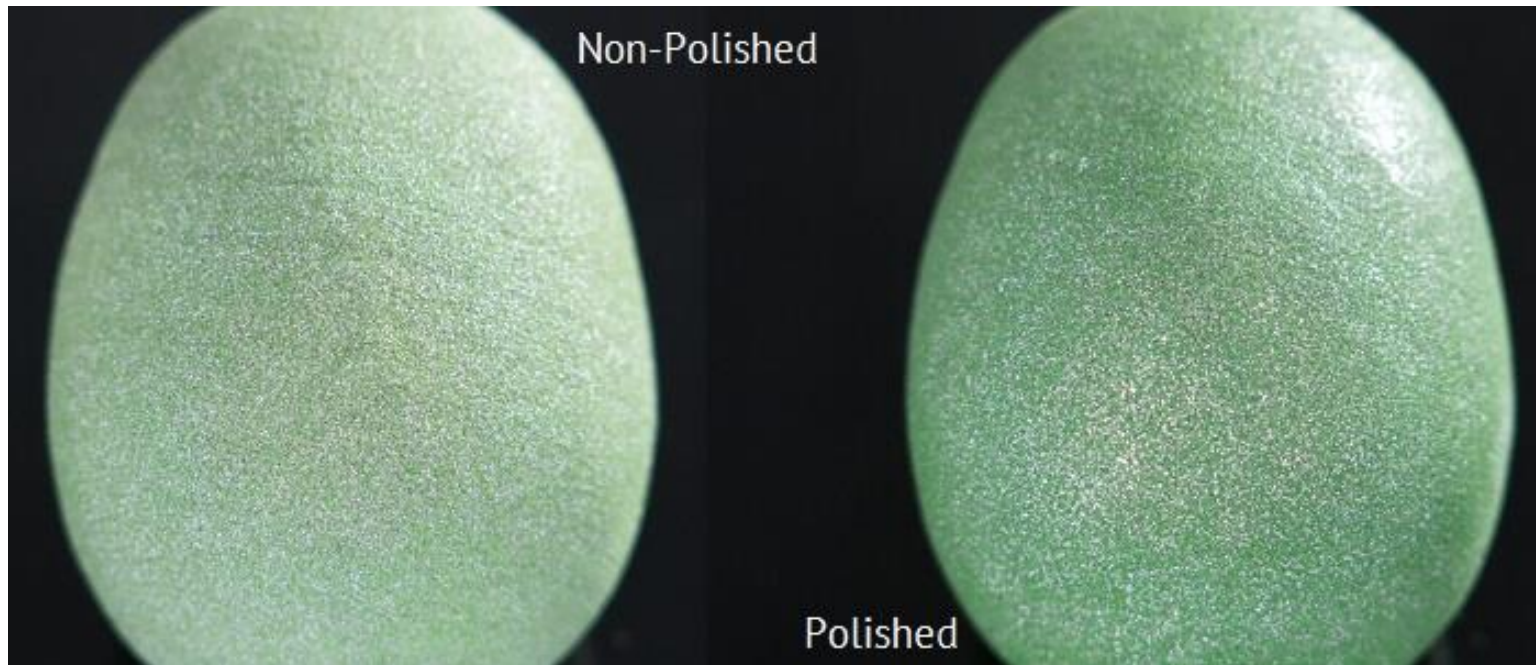
# Material

Alumide – polyamid with Al material





# Alumide



Standard layer thickness

150 $\mu$ m

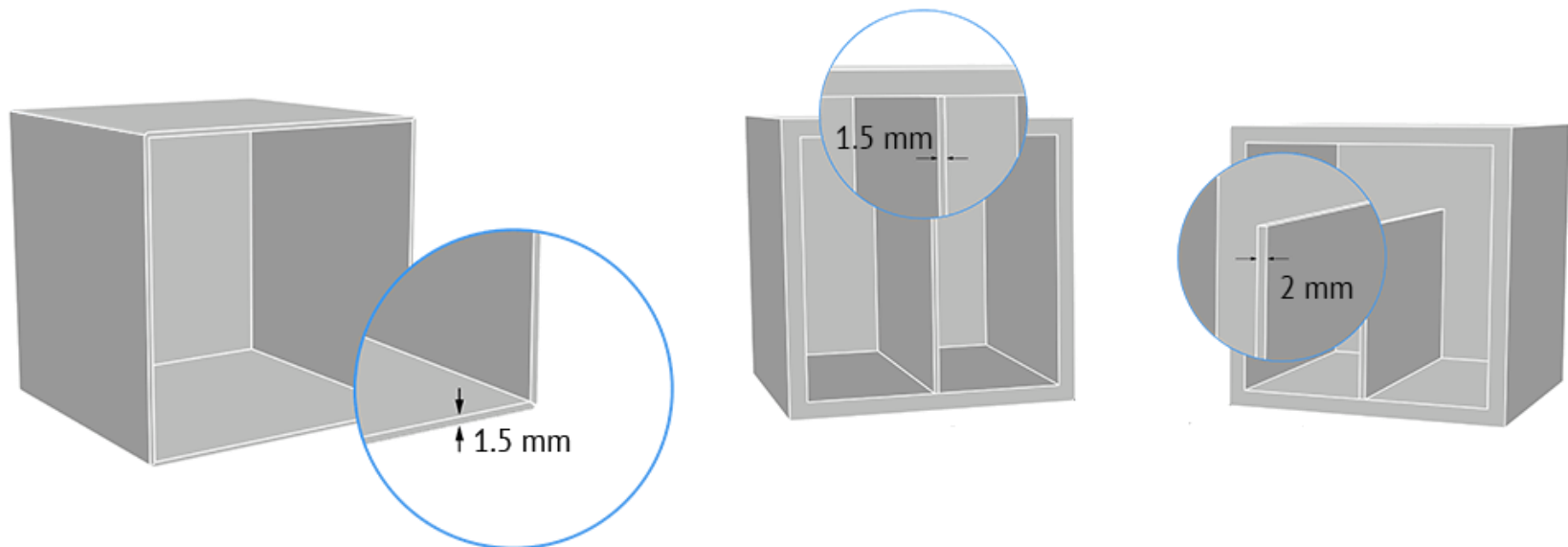
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# Alumide

## Minimum Thickness and Geometry

Minimum wall thickness	1.5 mm
Minimum wall thickness for particular design aspects	2 mm



# Alumide

Mechanical Properties	Conditions	Unit	Value
Density of laser-sintered part	EOS-Method	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.35 ± 0.05
Tensile Modulus	DIN EN ISO 527	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	3600 ± 150
Tensile strength	DIN EN ISO 527	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	45 ± 3
Elongation at break	DIN EN ISO 527	%	3 ± 0.5
Melting point	DIN 53736	°C	min. 172 / max. 180

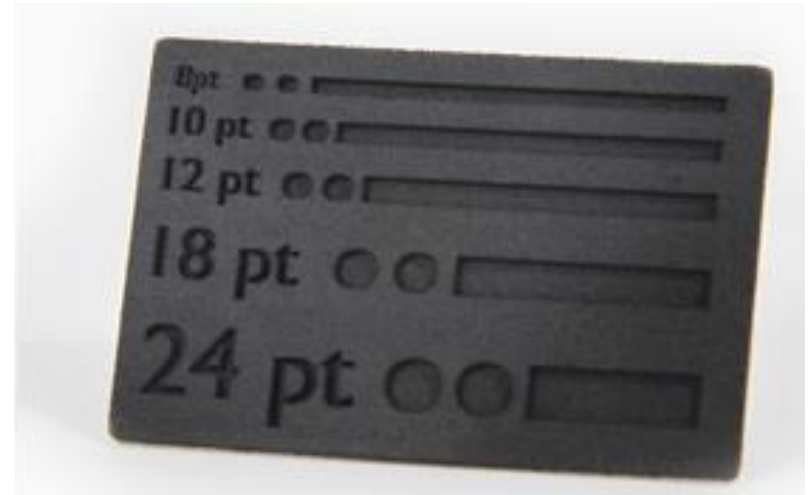
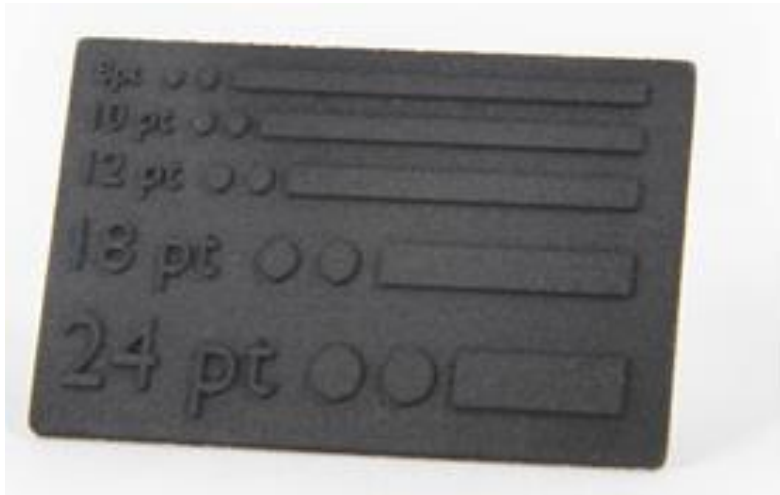


# Material

Flexible – TPU-65A



# Flexible



Standard layer thickness

100 $\mu$ m

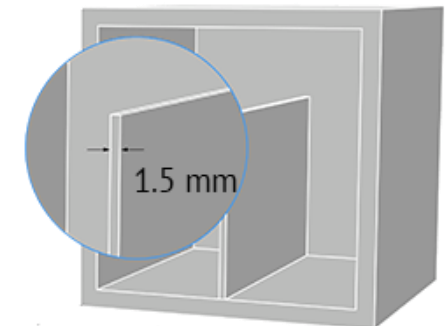
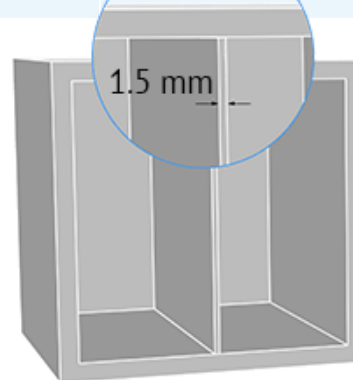
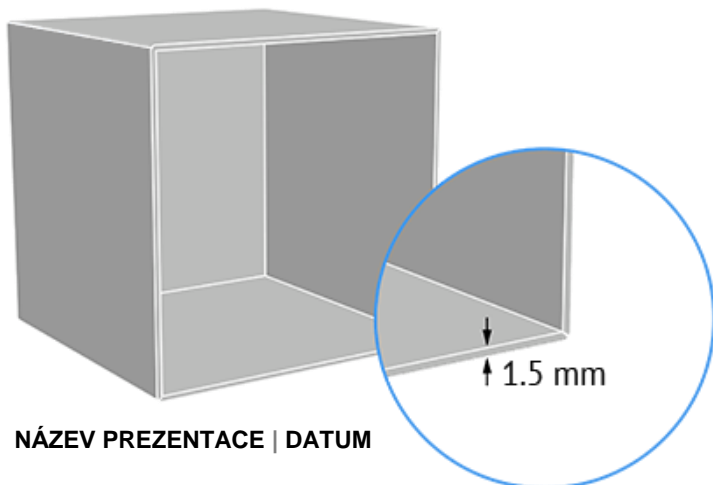
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# Flexible

## Minimum Thickness and Geometry

Minimum wall thickness (flexible)	1.5 mm
Minimum wall thickness (rigid)	3 mm
Minimum wall thickness stemmed elements	1.5 mm with support 1.5 mm without support
Minimum wall thickness particular design aspects	1-2 mm



# Material

CarbonMide – Polyamide with carbon material



# CarbonMide



Standard layer thickness

150 $\mu$ m

Accuracy

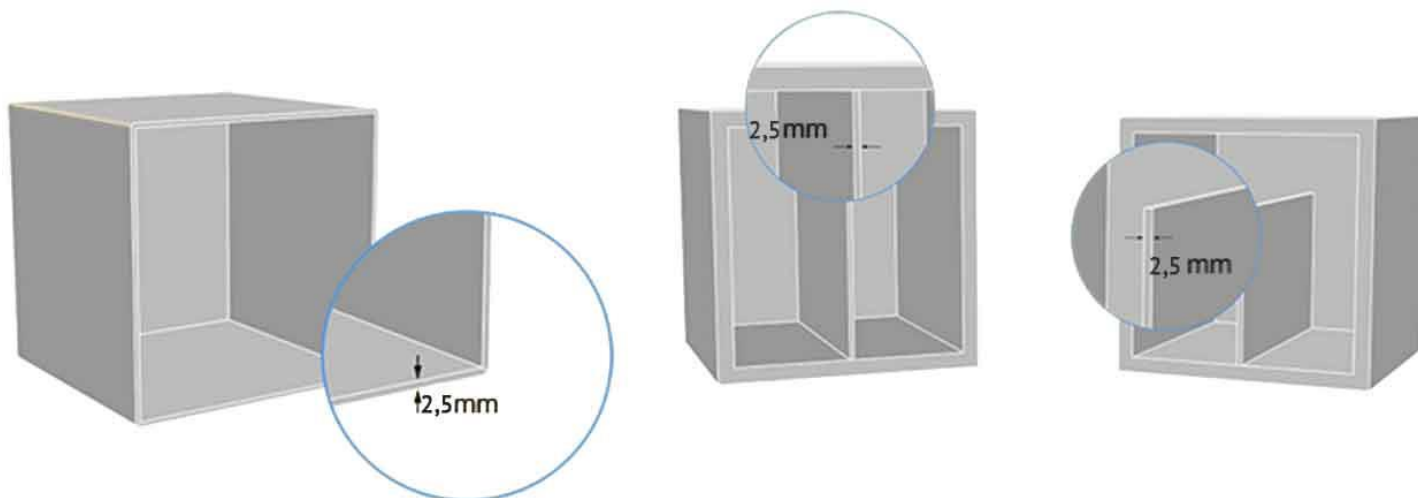
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# CarbonMide

## Minimum Thickness and Geometry

Minimum wall thickness (flexible)	2.5 mm
Minimum wall thickness (rigid)	2.5 mm
Minimum wall thickness stemmed elements	0.8 mm with support 1 mm without support
Minimum wall thickness particular design aspects	1-2 mm



# CarbonMide

Mechanical Properties	Conditions	Unit	Value
Density of laser-sintered part	EOS-Method	Kg/cm <sup>3</sup>	1040
Tensile Modulus X Direction	ISO 527-1/-2	Mpa	6100
Tensile Modulus Y Direction	ISO 527-1/-2	Mpa	3400
Tensile Modulus Z Direction	ISO 527-1/-2	Mpa	2200
Tensile strength X Direction	ISO 527-1/-2	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	72
Tensile strength Y Direction	ISO 527-1/-2	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	56
Tensile strength Z Direction	ISO 527-1/-2	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	25
Melting point	ISO 11357-1/-3	°C	176

# SLM/DLMS – Selective Laser Melting

- SLM Solutions AG (Německo)
- EOS (Německo)
- Renishaw (Velká británie)
- Concept Laser - GE (Německo)
- Trumpf (Německo)



Renishaw RenAM 500



EOS M290





# DMLS

# DMLS - Direct Metal Laser Sintering

Selective sintering of metal powder

Only for metal powders

There is only „sintering process“

Laser from 200W - 1000W - fiber laser

# DMLS - Direct Metal Laser Sintering

Layers thickness from 20 $\mu$ m to 100 $\mu$ m

Build area up to 400 x 400 x 600mm

Patented by company EOS GmbH

# DMLS – Direct Metal Laser Sintering

## EOS M290

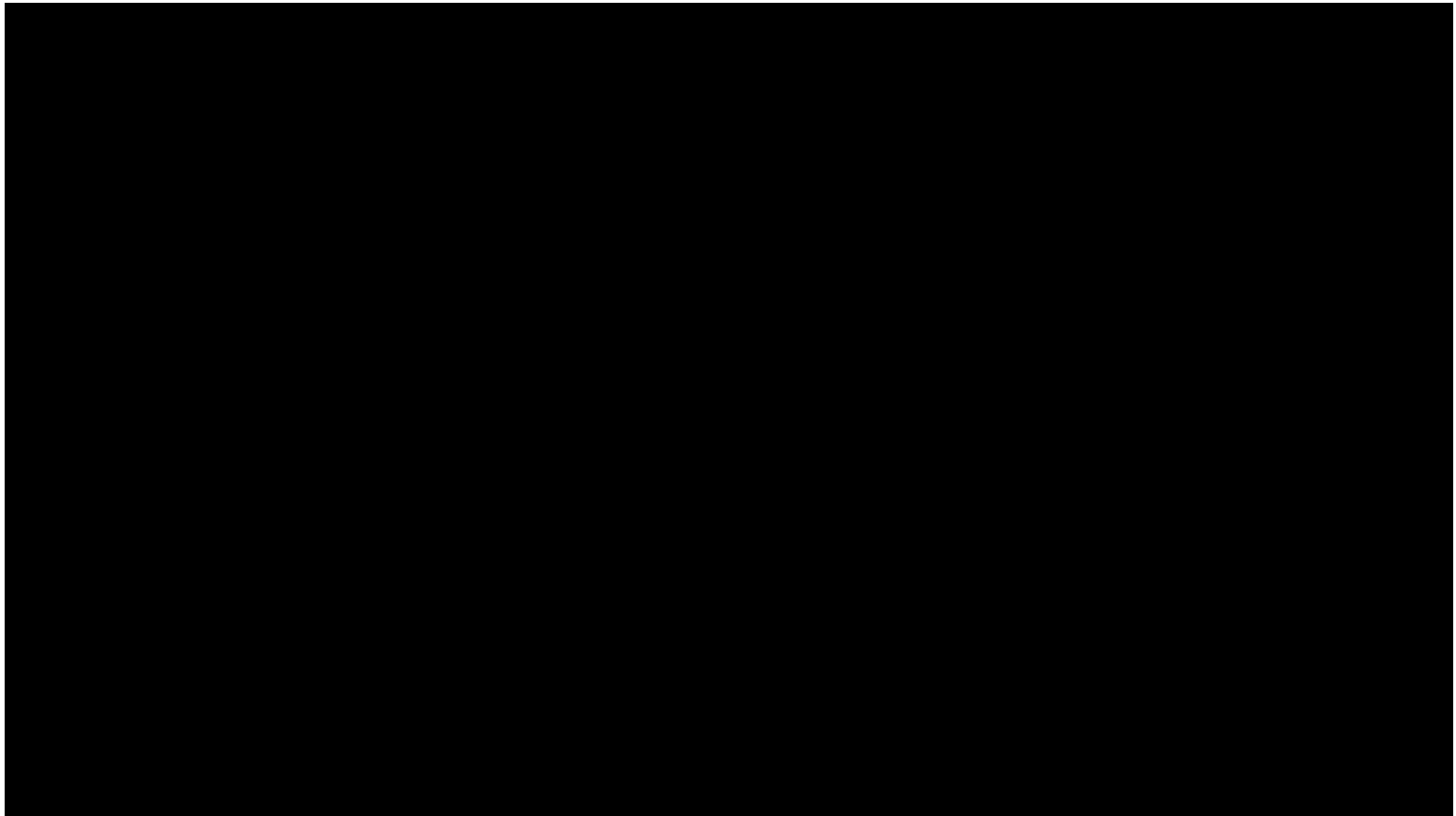
250 mm x 250 mm x 325mm

Fiber laser– 400W

Layer thickness up to 100 $\mu$ m



# DMLS – Direct Metal Laser Sintering



# Materials

Tensile strength

Titanium 6Al-4V - 1290MPa

Stainless Steel 316L - 640MPa

AlSi10Mg - 460MPa

Stainless Steel 17-PH4 - 1250MPa

# Materials

Titanium 6Al-4V

Titanium  
Aluminum  
Vanadium



**Melting point is 1660° C**

# Titanium 6Al-4V



Standard layer thickness

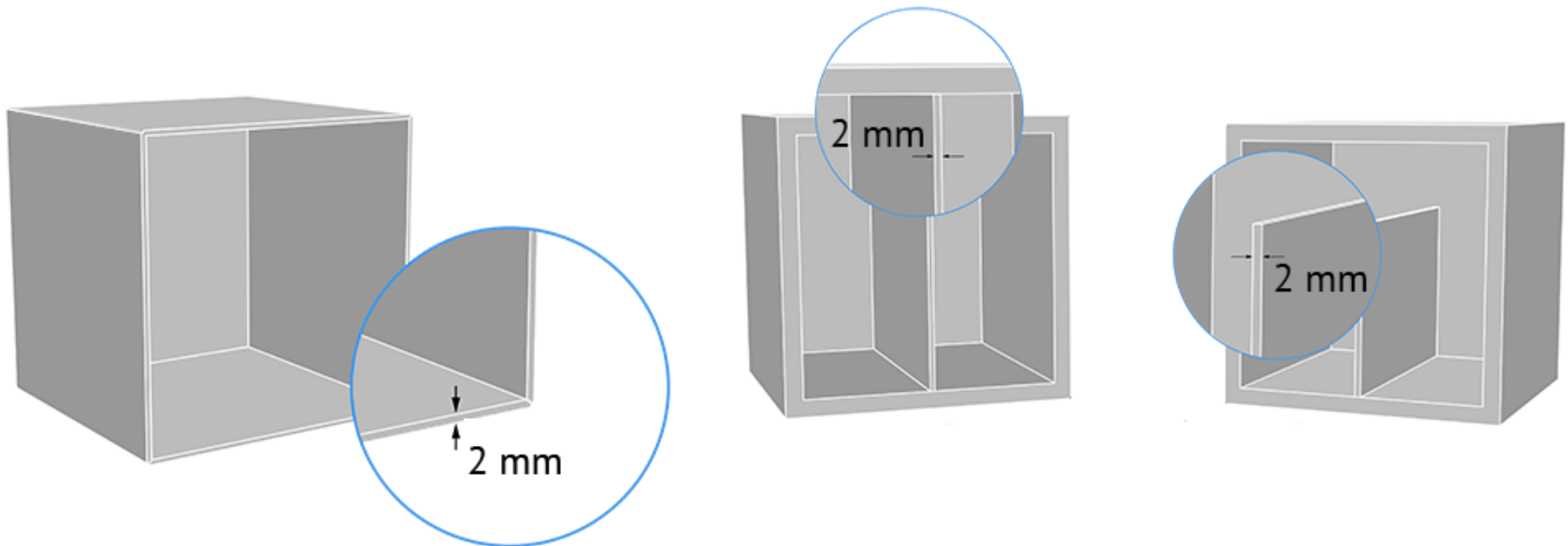
30  $\mu\text{m}$



# Titanium 6Al-4V

## Minimum Thickness and Geometry

Minimum wall thickness	2mm
Minimum thickness particular design aspects	1 mm



# Titanium 6Al-4V

Mechanical Properties	Conditions	Unit	As Built
Density of laser-sintered part	EOS-Method	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	4.41
Tensile strength		MPa	1290 ± 80
Elongation at break		%	8 ± 4
Melting point		°C	1660
Reference Temperature	N/A	°F	-

# Stainless Steel 316L

316L

Iron : 66 - 70%

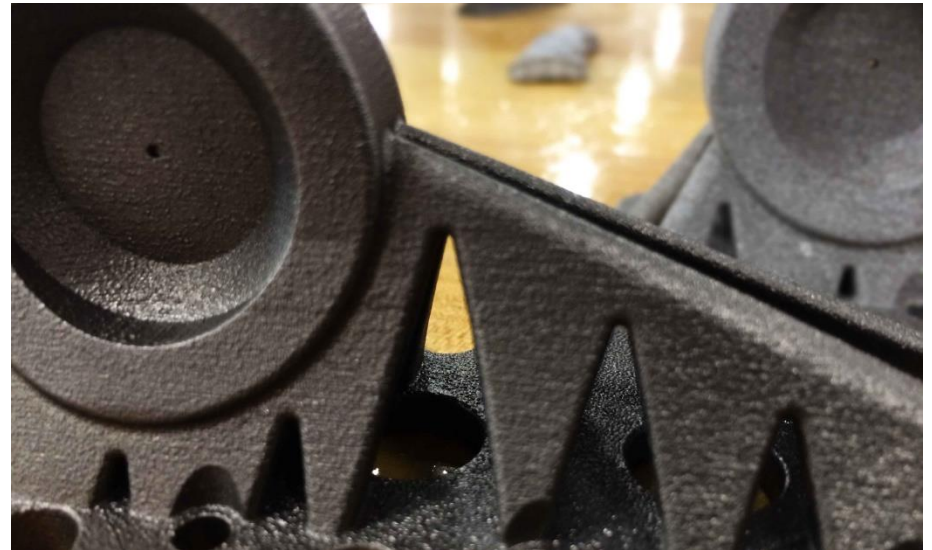
Chrome : 16 -18%

Nickel : 11 - 14%

Molybdenum : 2 - 3%



# Stainless Steel 316L



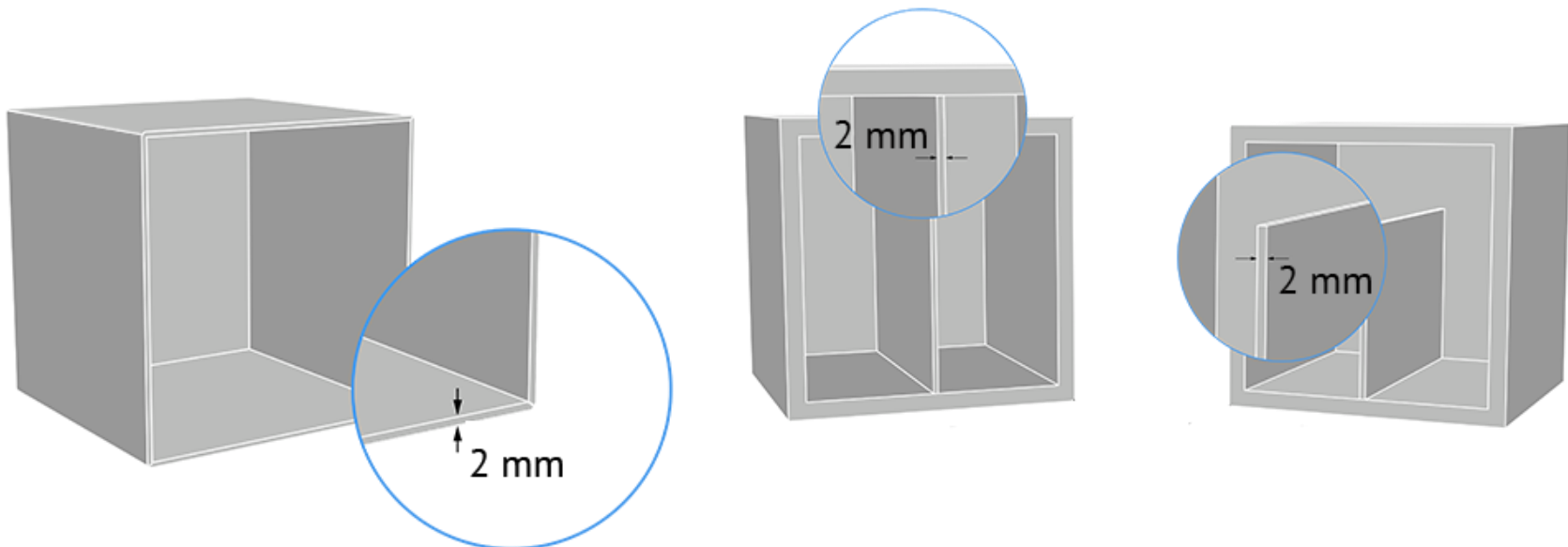
Standard layer thickness

40  $\mu\text{m}$

# Stainless Steel 316L

## Minimum Thickness and Geometry

Minimum wall thickness	2mm
Minimum thickness particular design aspects	1 mm



# Stainless Steel 316L

Mechanical Properties	Conditions	Unit	Value
Density of laser-sintered part	EOS-Method	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	7,9
Tensile strength(XY)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	MPa	640 ± 50
Tensile strength(Z)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	MPa	540 ± 55
Yield strength(XY)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	MPa	530 ± 60
Yield strength(Z)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	MPa	470 ± 90
Young's modulus(XY)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	GPa	185
Young's modulus(Z)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	GPa	180
Elongation at break (XY)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	%	40 ± 15
Elongation at break (Z)	ISO 6892 / ASTM E8M	%	50 ± 20
Melting point	N/A	°C	1400
Reference Temperature	N/A	°F	-

# EBM

# EBM - Electron-Beam Melting

Selective sintering of meta powder

It works in a vacuum

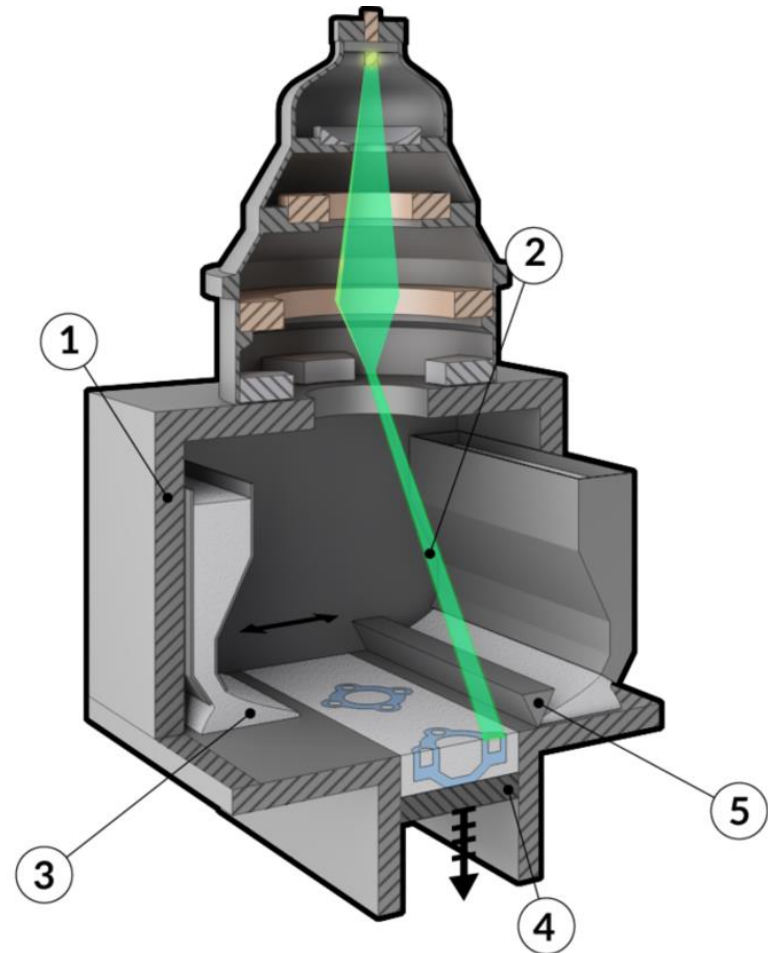
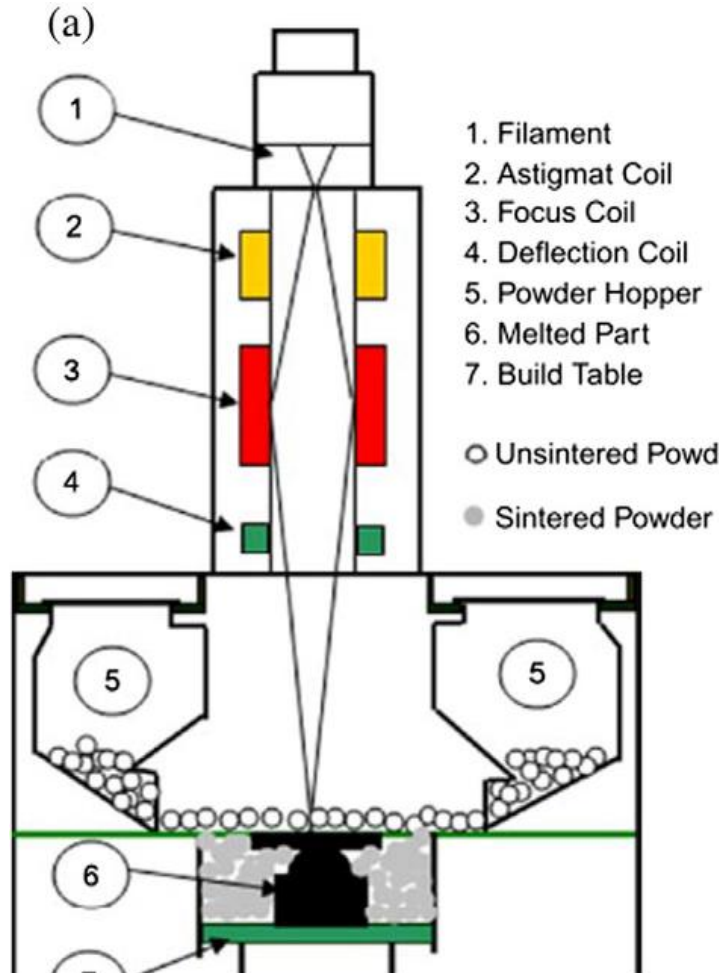
The material is completely melted

Electron beam up to 3000W

Temperature in the chamber above 1000°C



# EBM - Electron-Beam Melting



# EBM - Electron-Beam Melting

Layer thickness from 50 $\mu$ m to 150 $\mu$ m

Build area up to 350 x 380mm

Patented by ARCAM company (GE)

Only for Titan material and Inconel

# EBM - Electron-Beam Melting



# EBM - Electron-Beam Melting

## ARCAM Q10plus

200 mm x 200 mm x 180mm

Electron beam - 3000W

Layer thickness up to 100 $\mu$ m



# Materials

Tensile strength

Titanium Ti6Al4V - 950MPa

Arcam ASTM F75 CoCr – 1050MPa

Medicína a letecký průmysl



# SLM

# SLM – Selective Laser Melting

Selective laser melting of metal powder

Only for metal powder

Full melted

Laser power from 400W to 1000W

# SLM – Selective Laser Melting

Layer thickness from 20 $\mu$ m to 75 $\mu$ m

Build area up to 280 x 500 x 800mm

Patented by SLM Solutions GmbH company



# SLM – Selective Laser Melting

## SLM 280HL

280 mm x 280 mm x 360mm

Fiber laser – 400W

Layer thickness up to 75 $\mu$ m



# SLM – Selective Laser Melting

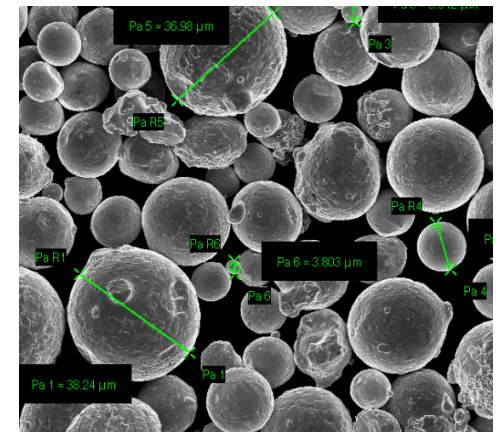


# SLM – Selective Laser Melting

# Materials

<b>Build envelope:</b>	280 x 280 x 365 mm	
<b>Layer thicknesses:</b>	Variable between 20 $\mu\text{m}$ and 75 $\mu\text{m}$	
<b>Available materials:</b>	Titanium alloys	Ti6Al4V, Ti6Al7Nb
	Stainless steels	1.4404 (316L), 1.4540 (15-5PH), 17-4PH
	Tool steels	1.2344 (H13), 1.2709
	Aluminium alloys	AlSi12, AlSi10Mg, AlSi7Mg, AlSi9Cu32
	Cobalt-Chrome	
	Nickel-based	Inconel 718, Inconel 625, Inconel 939, Hastelloy X

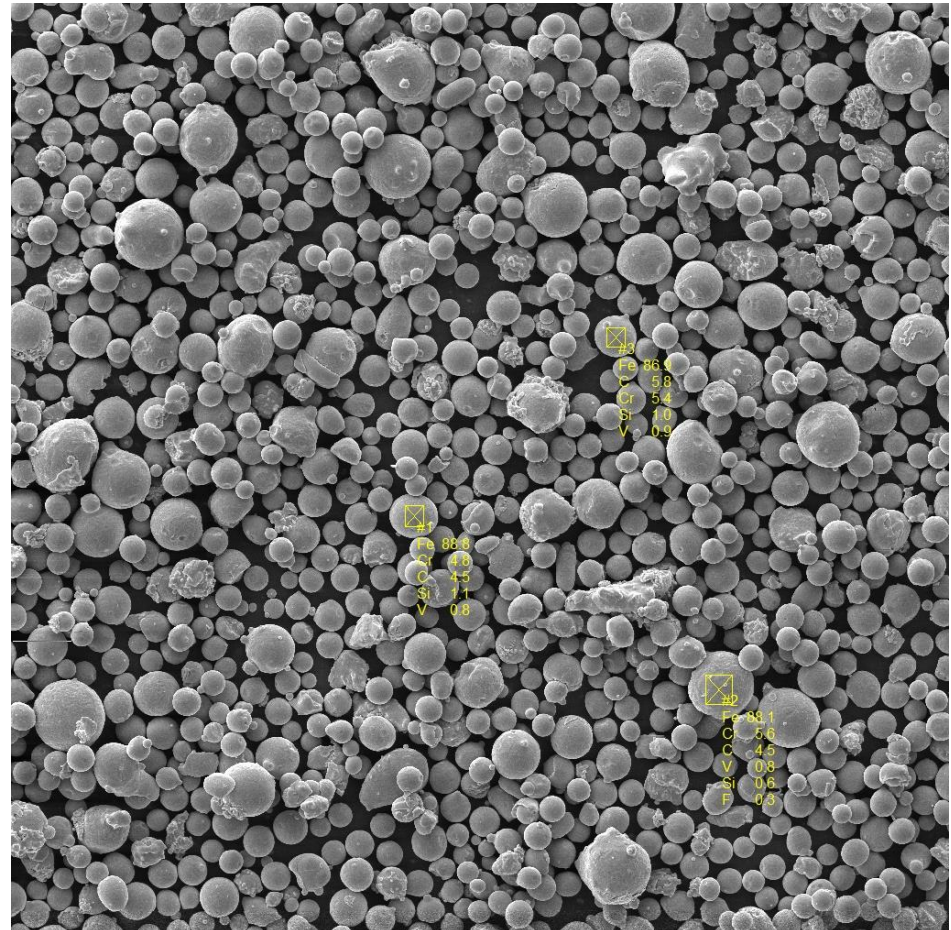
# SLM | Specific demands on input materials



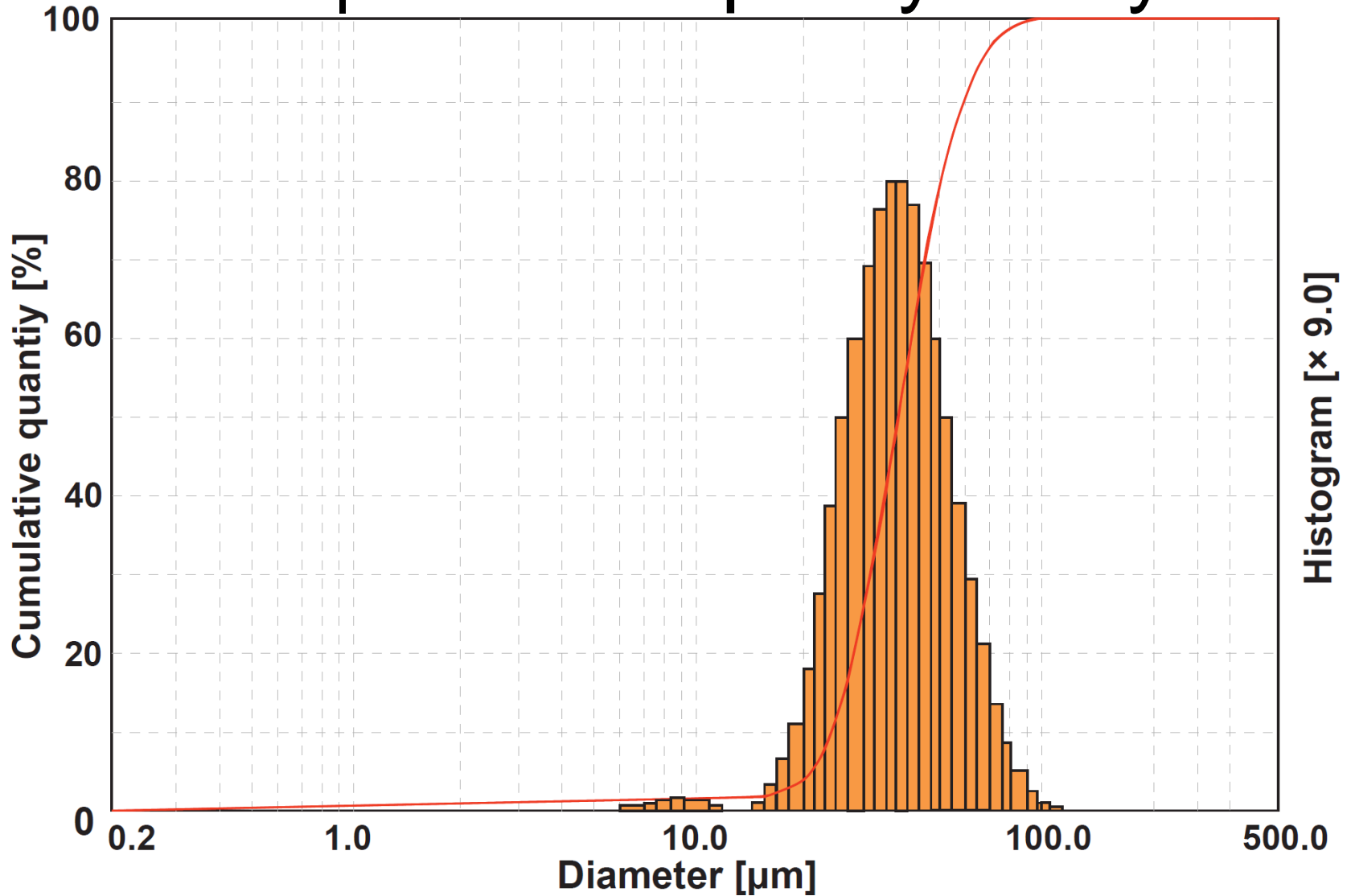
# SLM | Specific demands on input materials

Basic characteristics of metal powders for SLM technology:

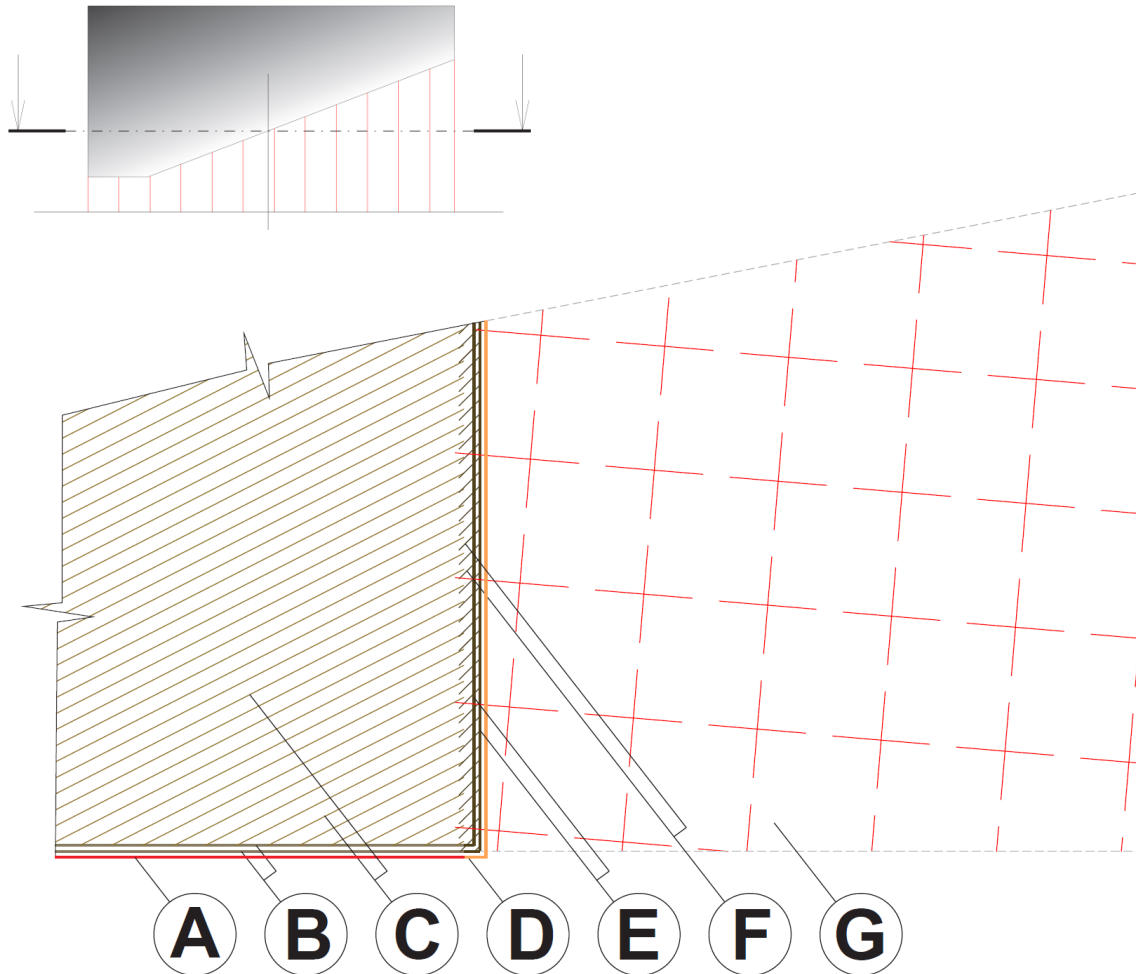
- Size distribution
- Topology of particles
- Humidity
- Chemical composition of the material



# H13 | Powder quality analysis



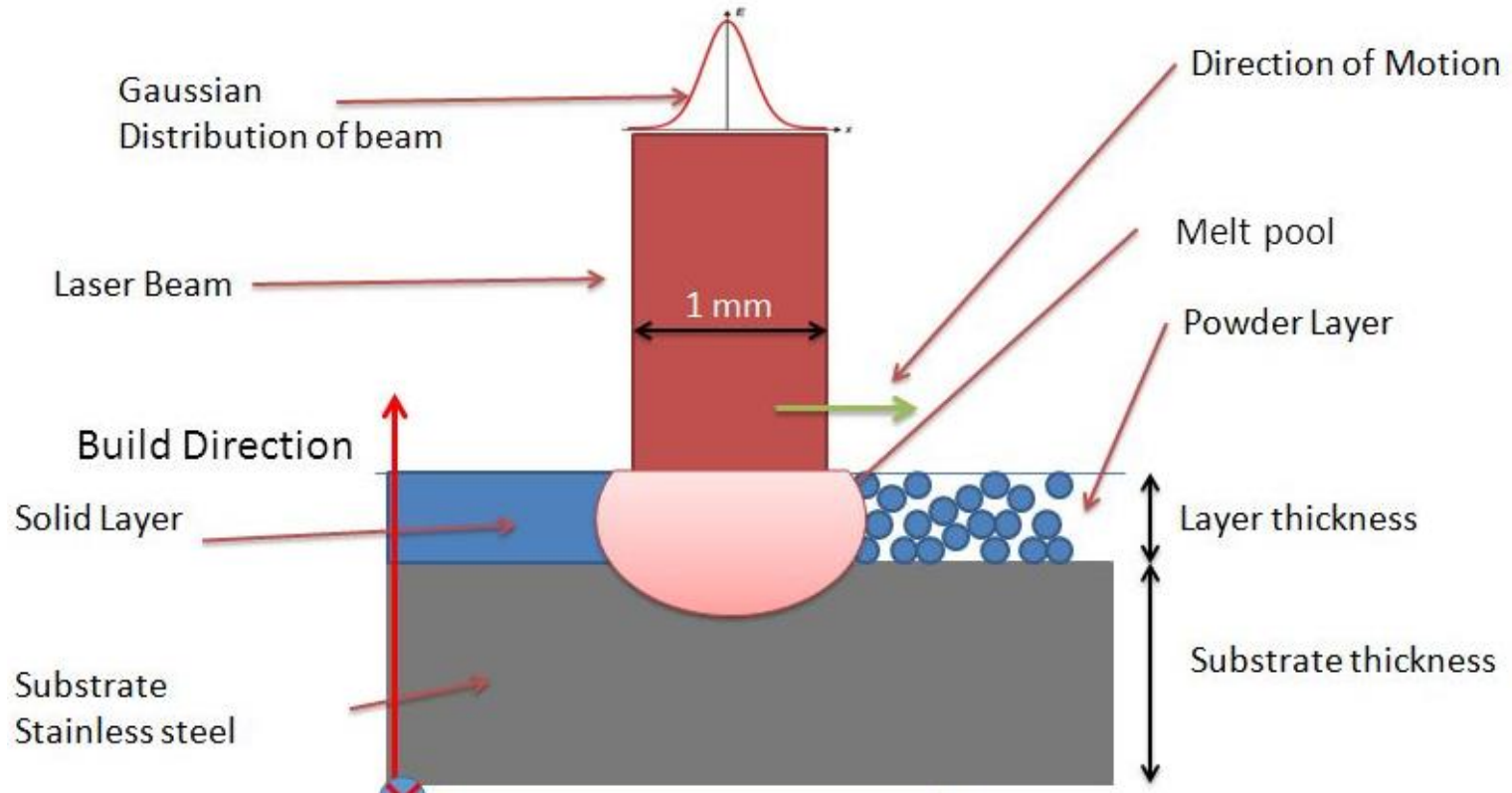
# Building Strategy



<b>Build processor</b>	
<b>A</b>	<b>Border</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>Fill Contours</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>Hatches (Outer Hull)</b>
<b>D</b>	<b>Downskin border</b>
<b>E</b>	<b>Downskin hatches</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>Downskin Fill Contour</b>
<b>G</b>	<b>Vector Supports</b>

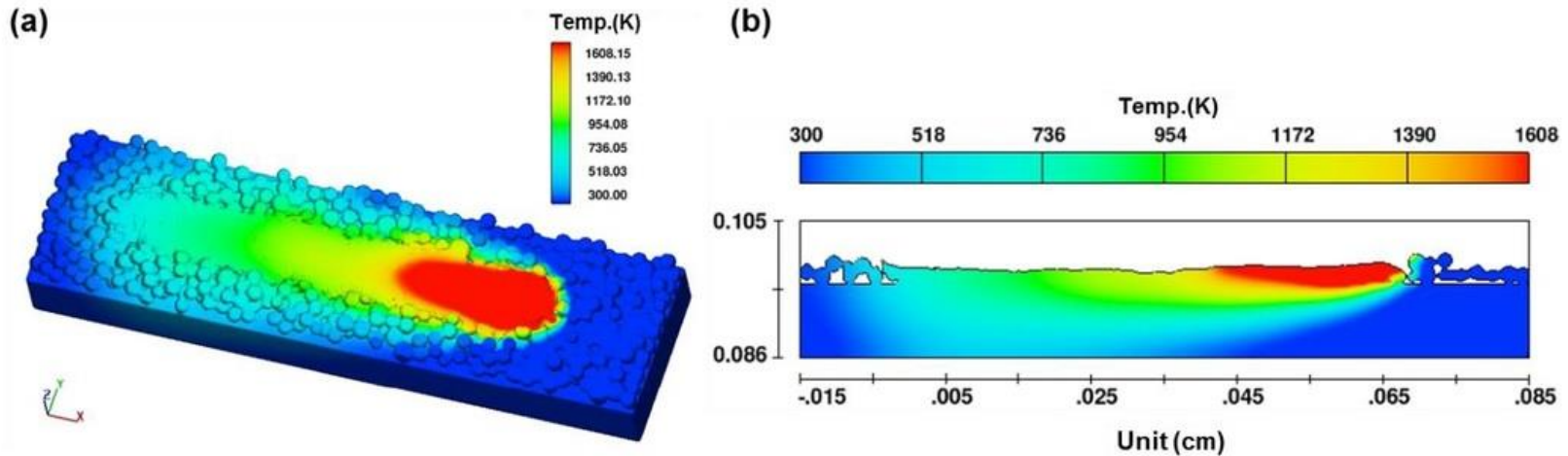


# Melt pool



G. A. Tilita: Effect of Individual input parameters on development of imperfections during SLM

# Melt pool



Y.S. Lee and W. Zhang, Mesoscopic simulation of heat transfer and fluid flow in laser powder bed additive manufacturing, 2015.

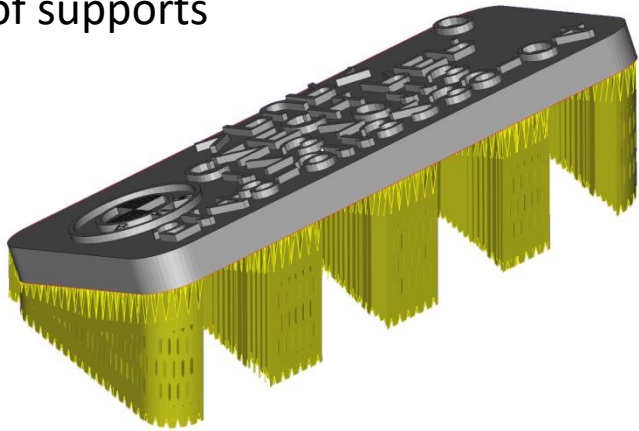
# Energy density

$$E = \frac{P}{v \cdot s \cdot t} \quad [\text{J}/\text{mm}^3]$$

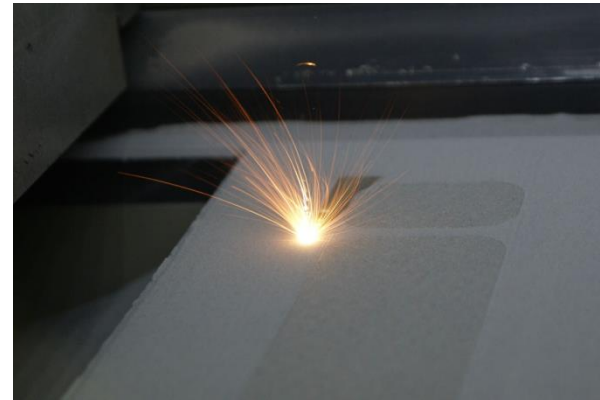
<b>P</b> [W]	laser power
<b>v</b> [mm/s]	scanning speed
<b>s</b> [mm]	hatching space between the two adjacent paths of the laser
<b>t</b> [mm]	layer thickness

# Production process

1) Positioning of the part and generation of supports



2) SLM process



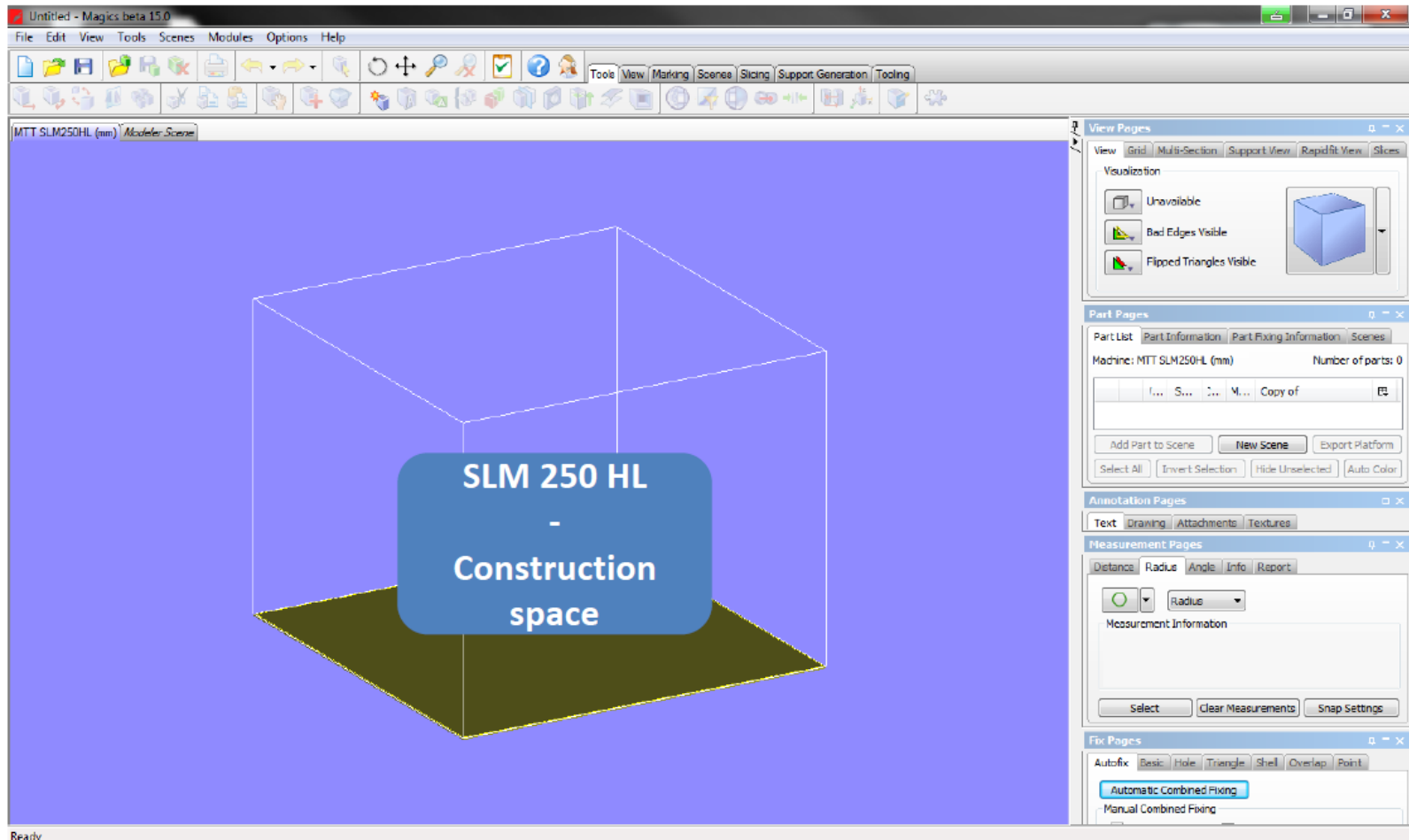
4) Final part



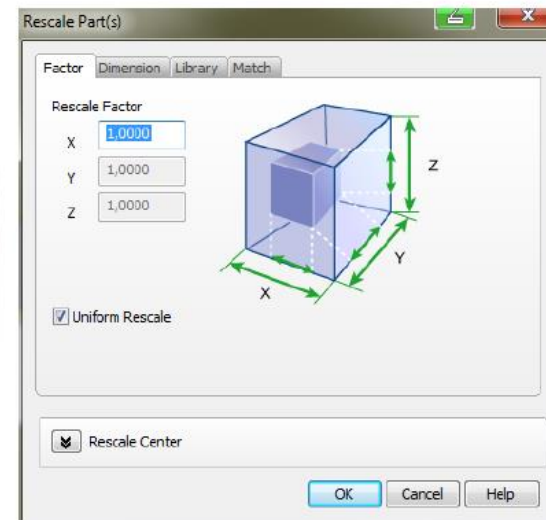
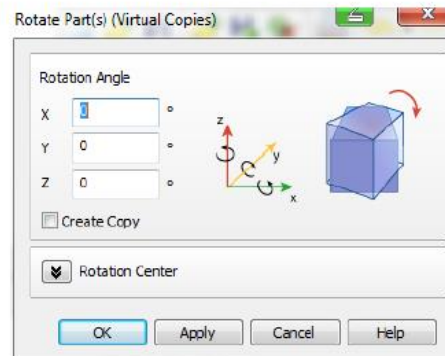
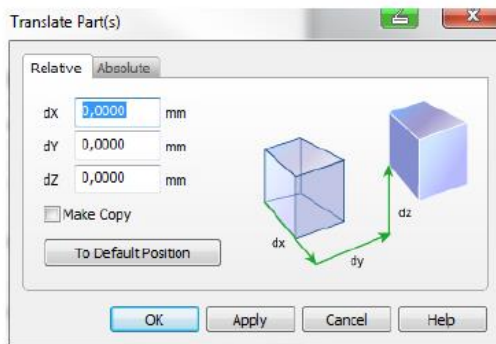
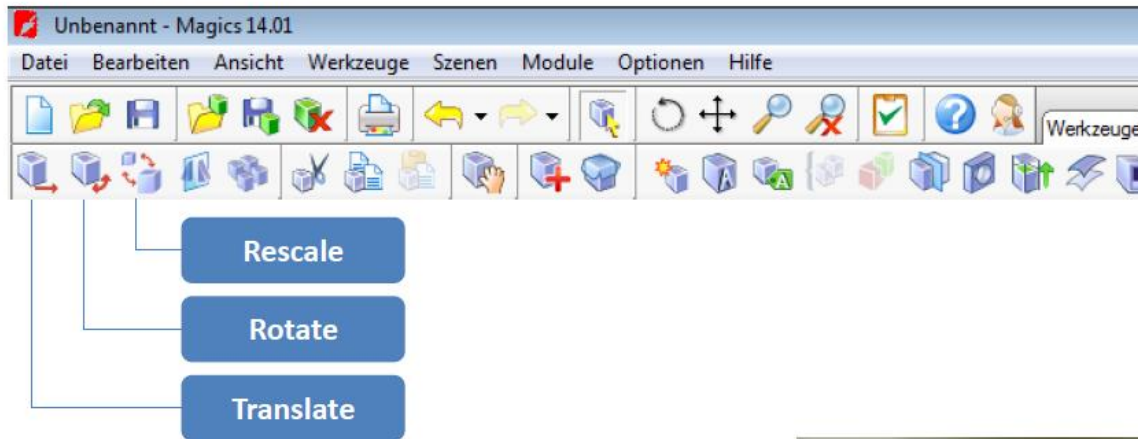
3) Unpacking of the part



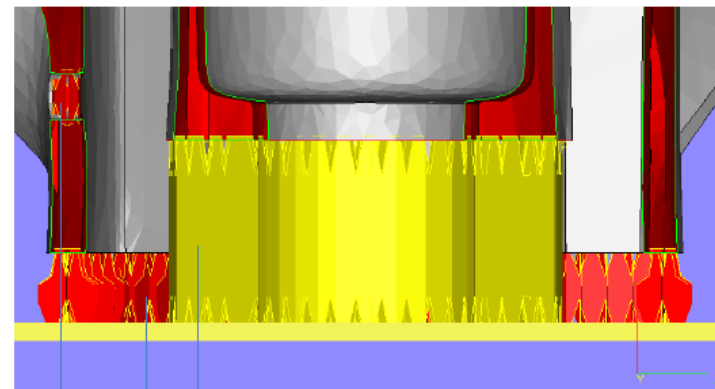
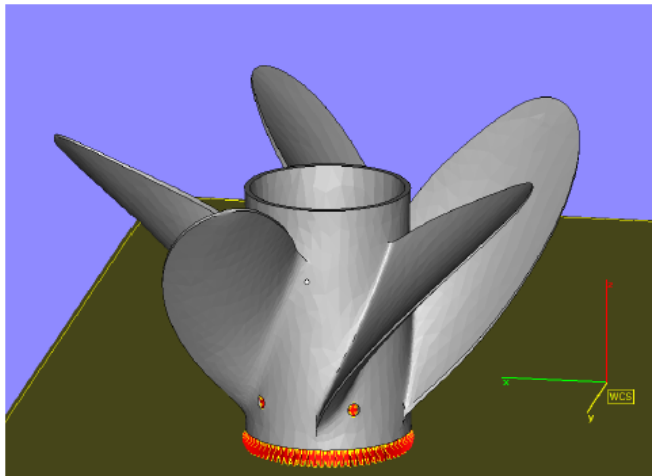
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# Data preparation - Magics



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- Line
- Block





# Data preparation - Magics

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Line

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Block

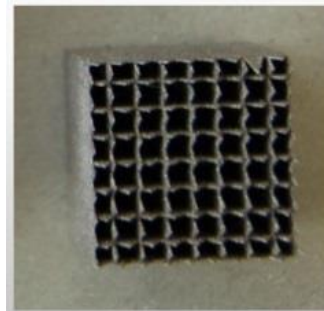
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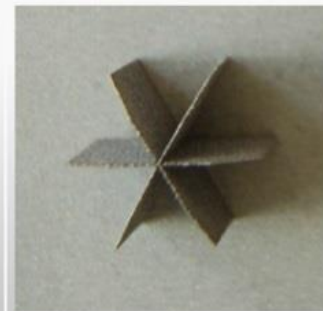
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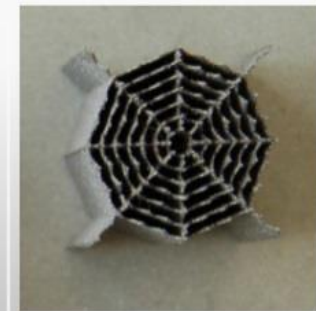
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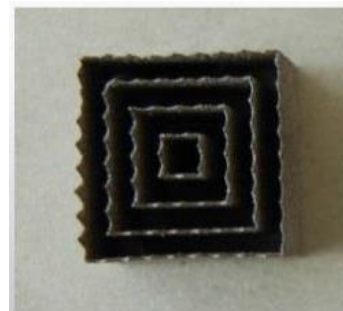
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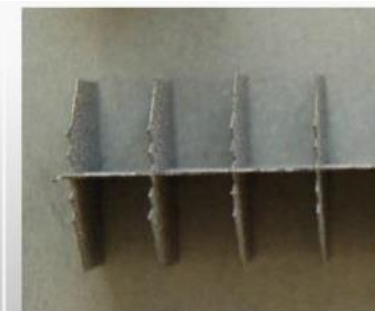
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contour



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