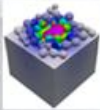


Metal 3D Printing @ IIT Kanpur

DST-FIST Additive Manufacturing Facility



From Particle to Part



Development of an Integrated 360° Experimental-Numerical Framework for Additive Manufacturing

Aerospace

Repair

Complex shapes

AM

Automotive

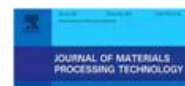
Tooling, conformal cooling

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Additive Manufacturing Group

The group focuses on additive manufacturing of metals and polymers. The work involves developing processes, CFD models, and experiments. The issues of transport phenomena, multiphase convection, and solidification heat transfer are studied with an aim towards the development of improved and innovative manufacturing and materials processing.



Opensource AlloySolidification software and In-situ PIV, PLIF and high-speed imaging facility

AlloySolidification Solver (open FOAM)

Models

- Fluid flow • Heat transfer • Solidification
- Species transport • Mushy zone

Macroscale $\sim 10^{-1} - 10^0$ m

Interfacial thermodynamics, Morphological instability, Convection (liquid/ liquid + fragmented dendrite solids), Solid, Mushy zone, Liquid, q'' , g , Solute segregation, Dendrite fragmentation

Mesoscale $\sim 10^{-4}$ m

Liquid, Solid

Microscale $\sim 10^{-6} - 10^{-5}$ m

Solid, Liquid

0.5 ton steel ingot

Segregated channels

Freckles in a single-crystal nickel-based superalloy blade

(a) Freckles (b) Freckles

Segregated Channels, Macrosegregation

In-situ experimental facility

- Particle image velocimetry (PIV)
- Plane laser induced florescence (PLIF)
- High-speed imaging

Twin Nd: YAG Laser, Light Sheet Optics, Test Cavity, Constant Temperature Bath, Computer, Synchronizer, Image Capturing Device (CCD Camera)

Experimental facility

Double diffusive layers (DDL)

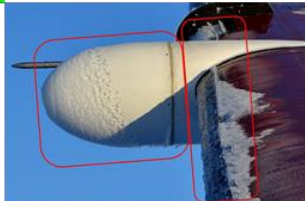
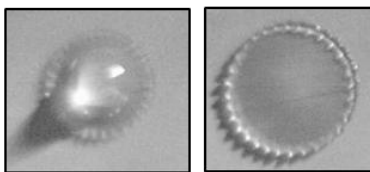
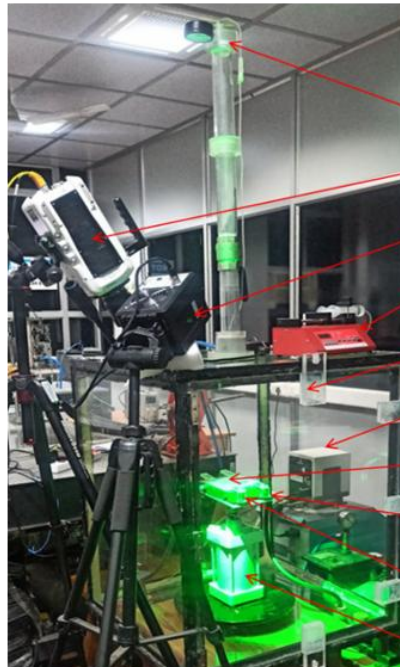
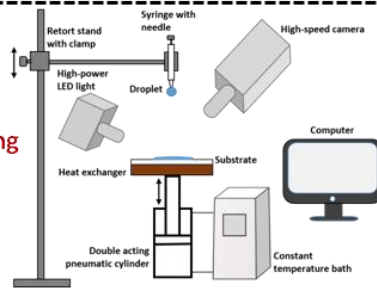
Velocity field in the plumes and double diffusive layers

Plumes, Double diffusive layers, S+L, S

In-situ experimental facility and computational tool for droplet impact, spreading and freezing on surfaces

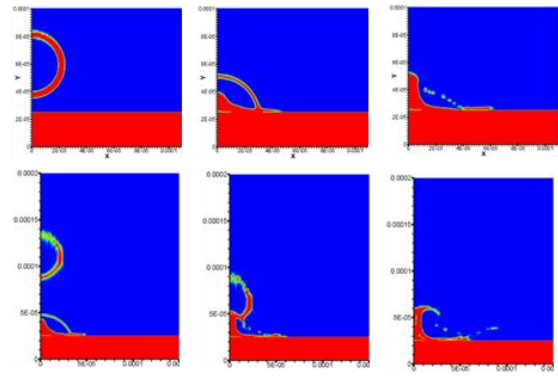
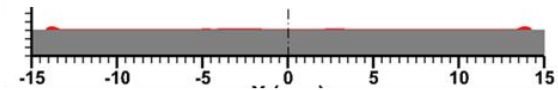
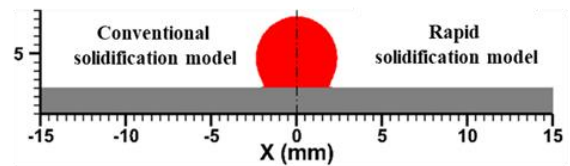
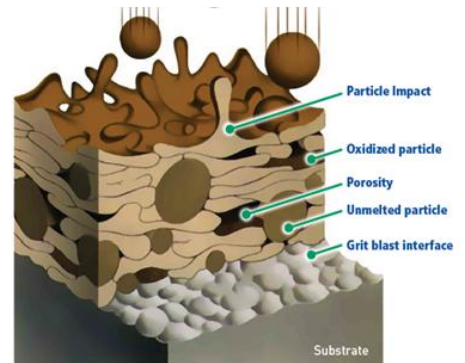
Experimental facility

- Experimental setup
- Hydrodynamics and freezing of droplet impact
- Ice accretion and coating applications



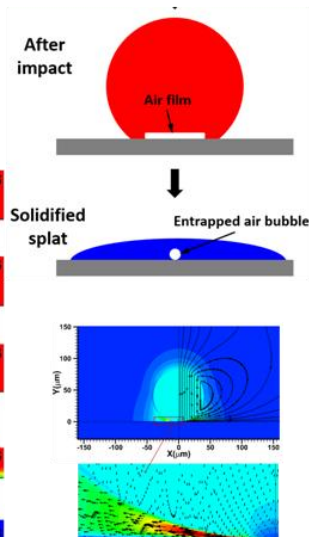
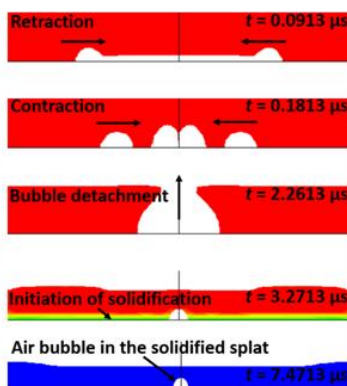
Computational solver (code)

Fluid flow
Heat transfer
Rapid solidification



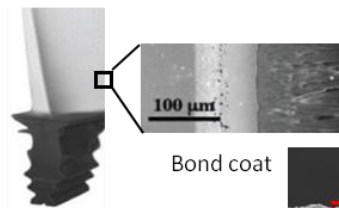
Coating structure in thermal spray coating

- Air bubble formation
- Pore formation
- Interfacial heat transfer

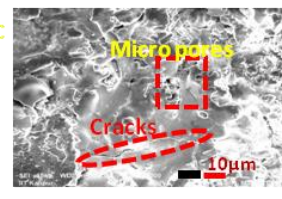
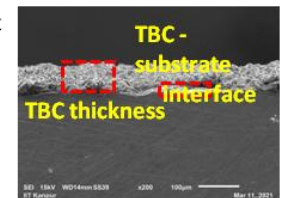
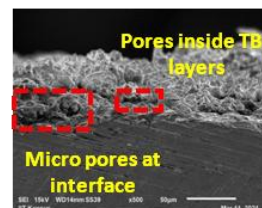


Thermal barrier coating (TBC)

Applications



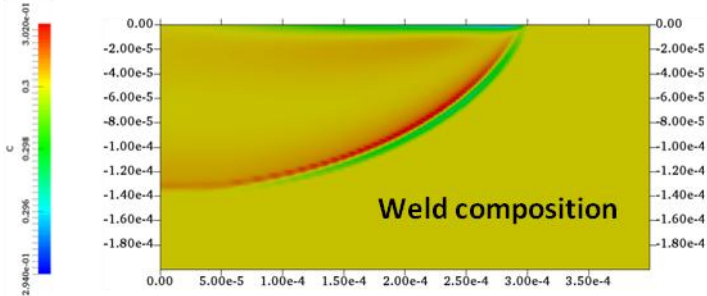
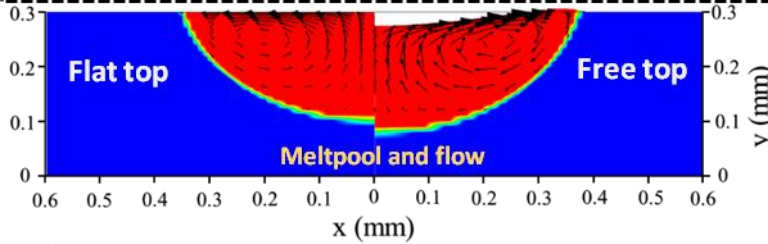
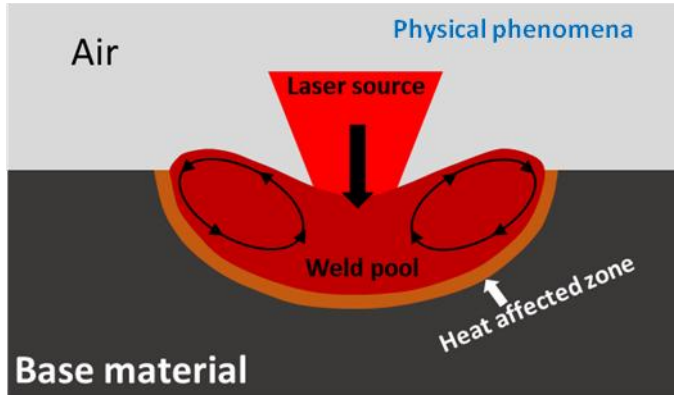
Zirconia TBC



Software tool for laser welding and experimental facility

Software Solver

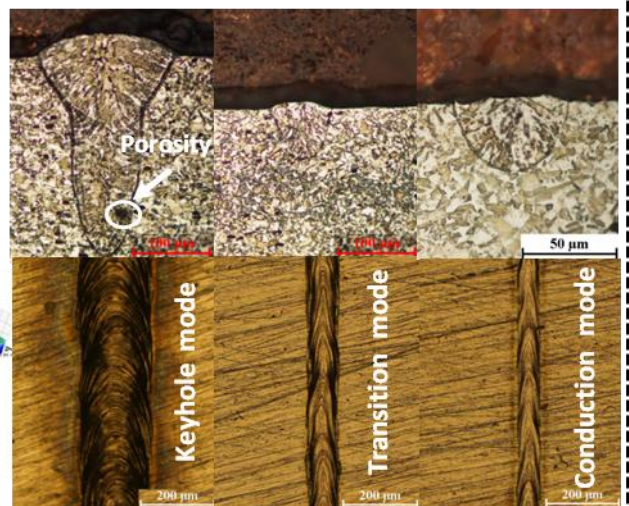
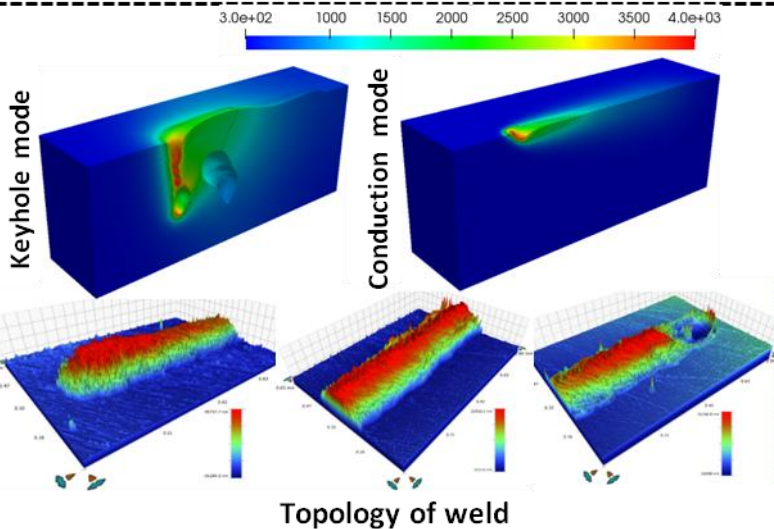
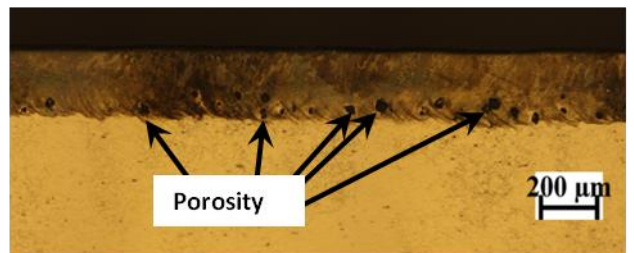
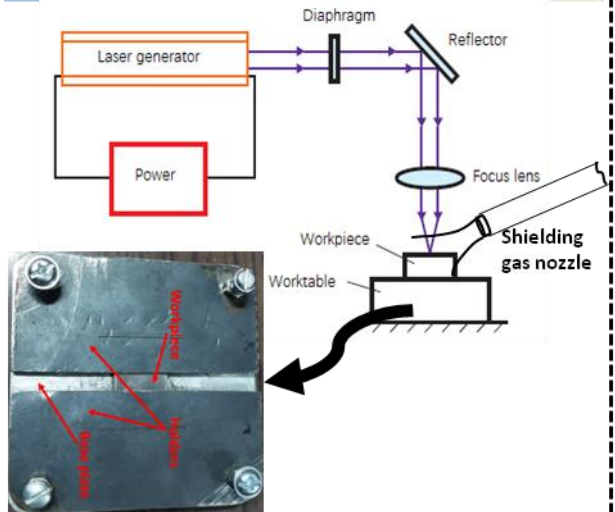
- Models**
- Fluid flow
 - Heat transfer
 - Species transport
 - Solidification
 - Mushy zone
 - Undercooling



Experimental setup

- Method**
- Laser beam welding
 - Microscopy
 - Optical profilometry

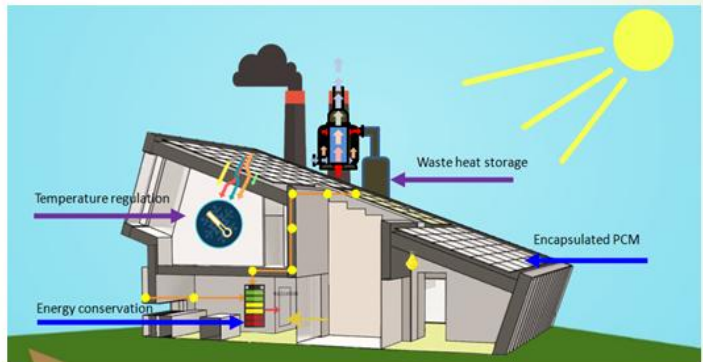
- Output**
- Flow field
 - Temperature field
 - Concentration field
 - Solidification interface morphology
 - Solver validation



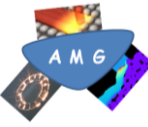
Thermal Energy Storage and Waste Heat Recover



Water distiller with PCM Thermal Energy Storage unit



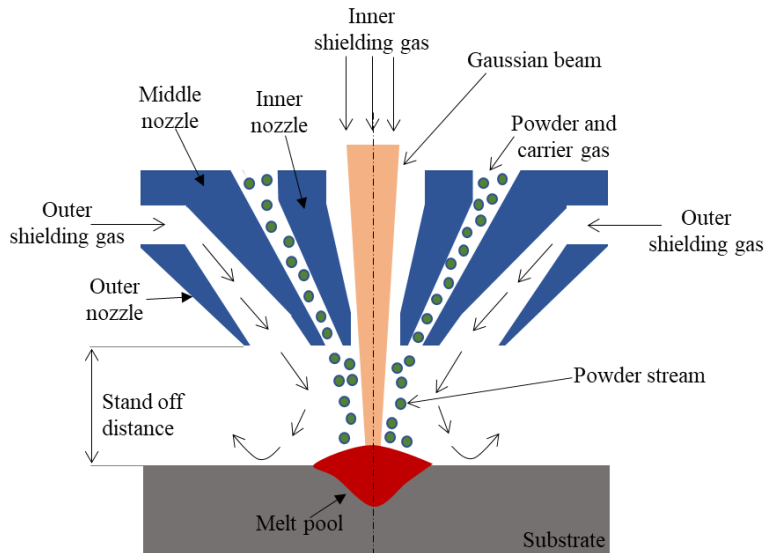
Research in Our Additive Manufacturing Group (AMG)



- PBF and DED metal AM – Integrated experimental-numerical approach
- Computational modelling at micro, meso and part scale
- Steel, Al, Ti materials
- Metal parts for aerospace, biomedical applications

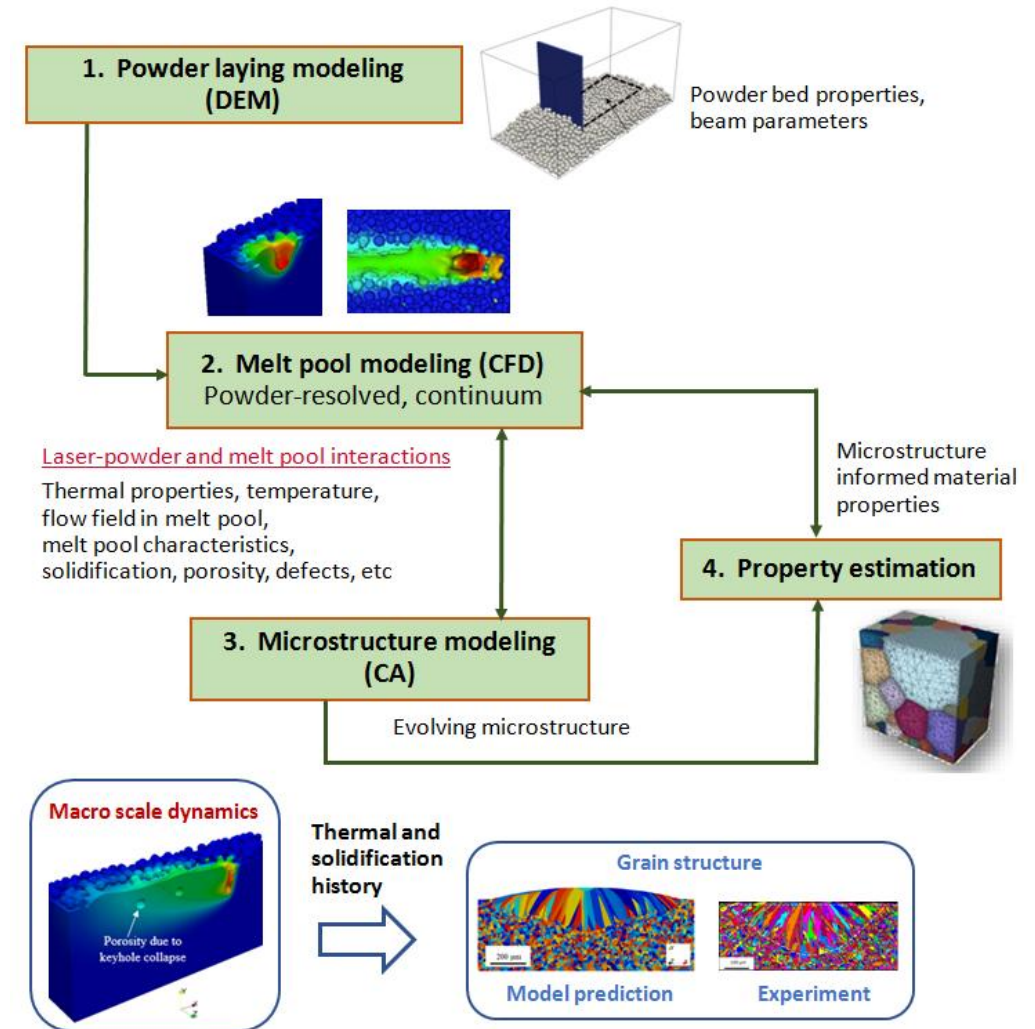


DED: Integrated multi-physics predictive computational platform

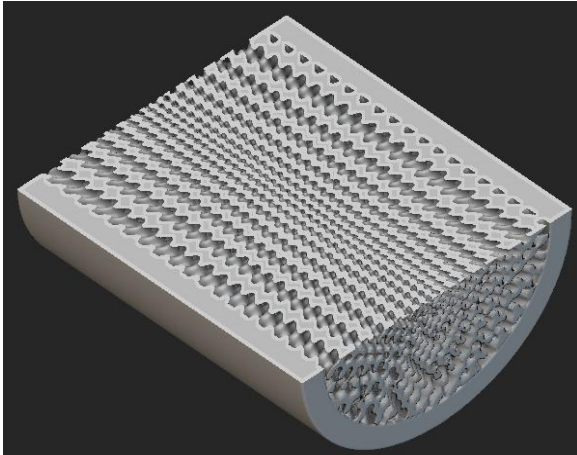


- Gas-powder flow
- Melt-pool dynamics and particle impingement
- Grain growth (CA)

PBF: Integrated multi-physics predictive computational platform

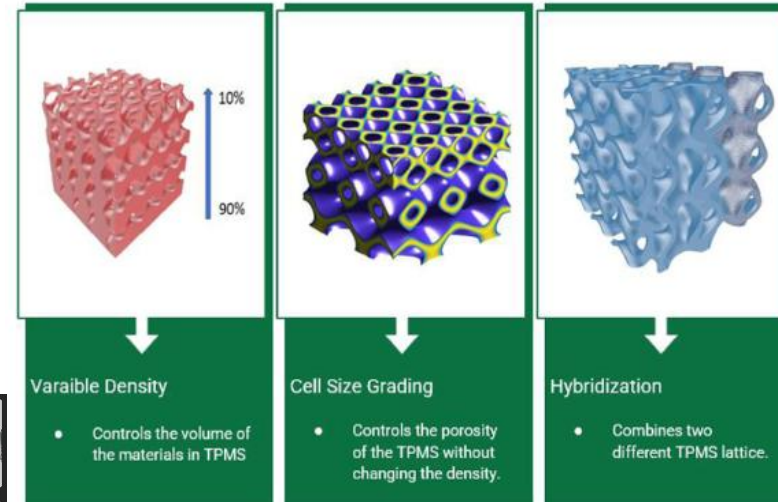
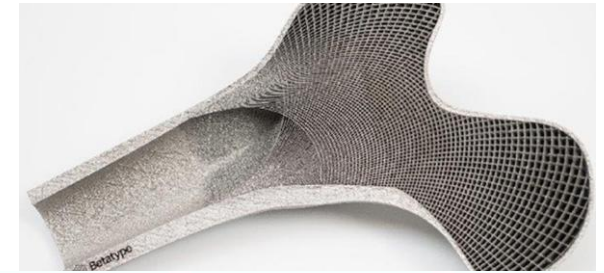


Development of Functionally Graded Porous Structure for Biomedical Implant Application Processed by Laser Powder Bed Fusion AM

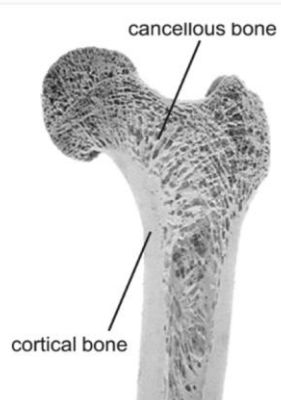


FG TPMS infill with both cell size and relative density grading to retain porosity similar to that of bones

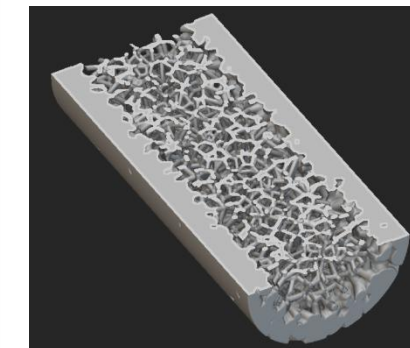
- Design of TPMS through implicit modelling focusing on mechanical strength and biocompatibility
- Focus on materials such as Ni-Ti (Nitinol) for properties like shape memory effect and super-elasticity
- Achieving relative density, porosity and weight ratios similar to bones in the human body while considering and avoiding effects such as stress shielding



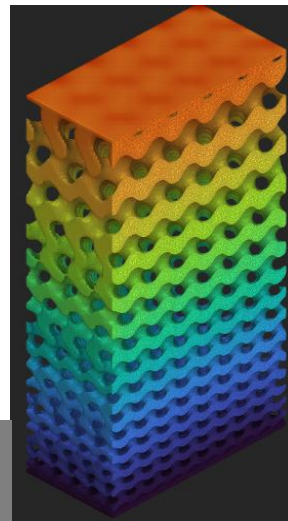
Functionally gradient TPMS-approaches



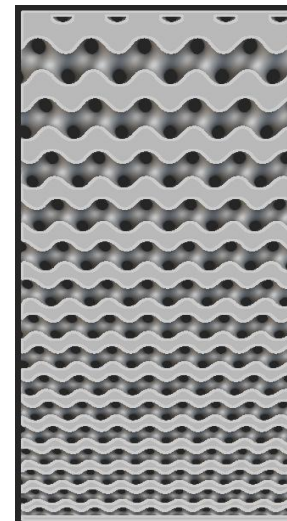
Cortical and cancellous bone in human femur



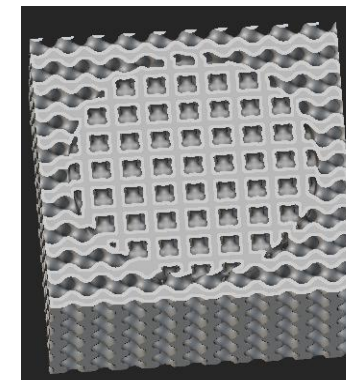
Mimicking bone trabecular strut structure using Voronoi Lattice Tessellation to create conformal TPMS infill for implants



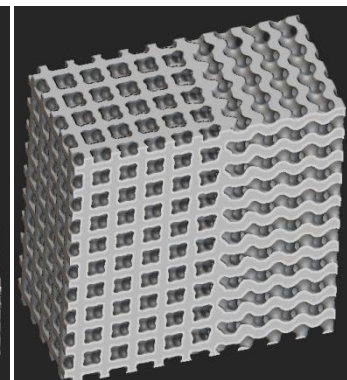
FEA and CFD Analyses



Field driven design through equations



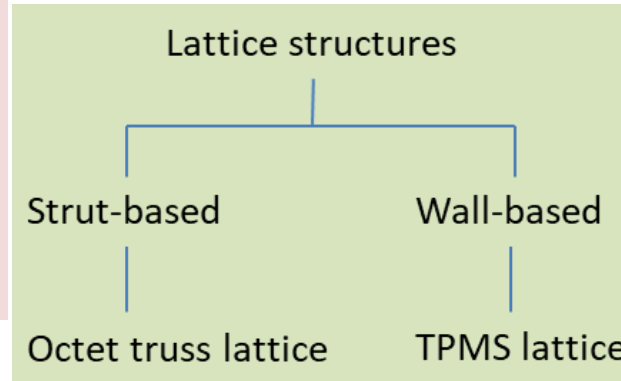
Circular Transition



Linear Transition

Development of Lattice Structure for Lightweight Structural Application Processed by Laser Powder Bed Fusion AM

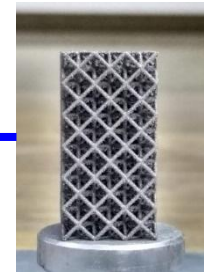
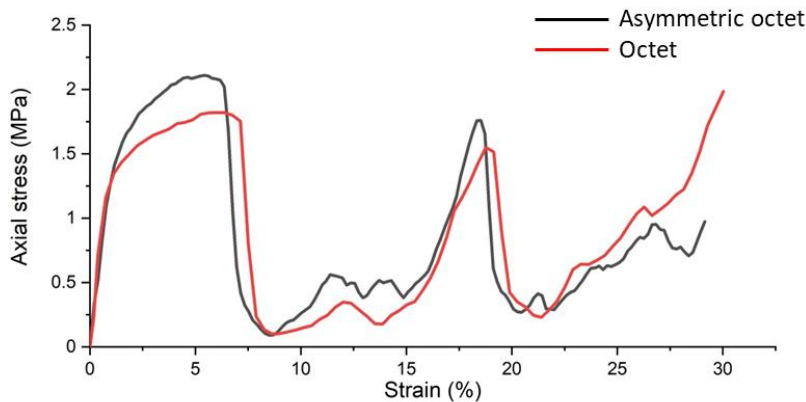
- Lattice structures have high specific mechanical properties.
- Can be used in compressive load supporting structure.
- Also useful as filling structure in sandwich structures.
- Can also be used in thermal applications.



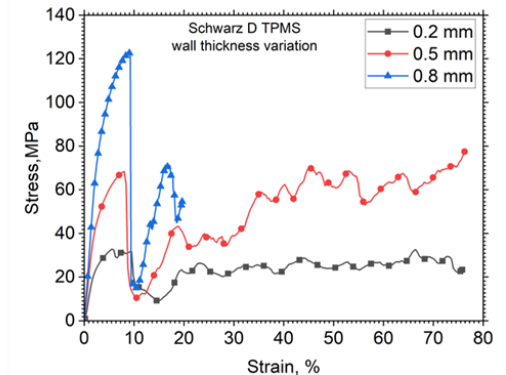
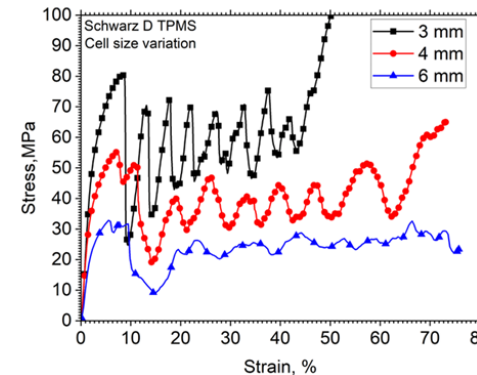
Applications

- Compressive loading
- Sandwich structures
- Impact energy absorption
- Thermal application
- Support structures

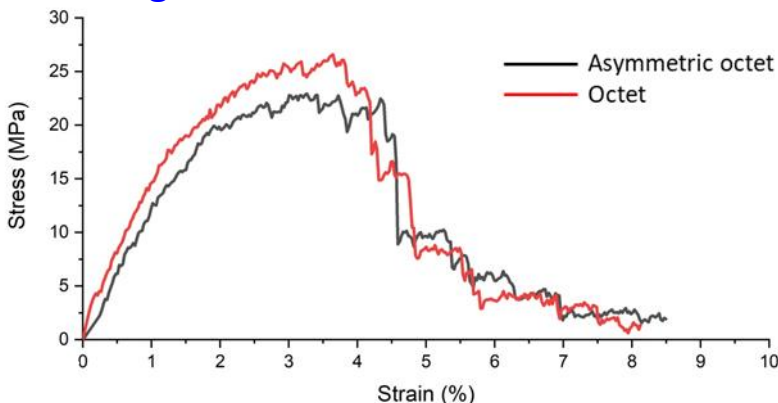
Compression behavior of octet truss lattice structure



Compression behavior of TPMS lattice structure



Bending behavior of octet truss lattice structure

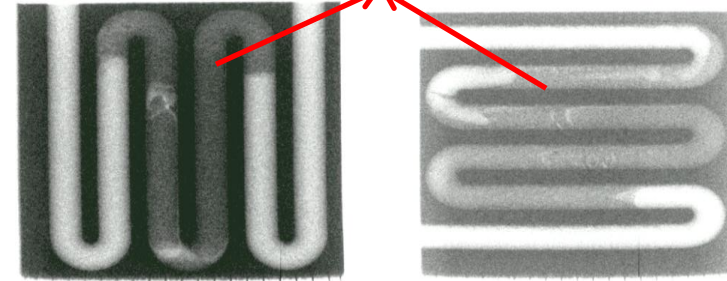


Development of Conformal Channel Processed by Laser Powder Bed Fusion AM for Internal Cooling

- Conformal cooling channels can take heat away from the critical locations which are not possible in conventional cooling channels.
- Useful in permanent molds, engine castings, tooling.
- LPBF AM is suitably placed to make randomly oriented conformal cooling channels of very small diameters.

CT scan images of fabricated internal cooling channels shows that the metal powder stuck inside the channel

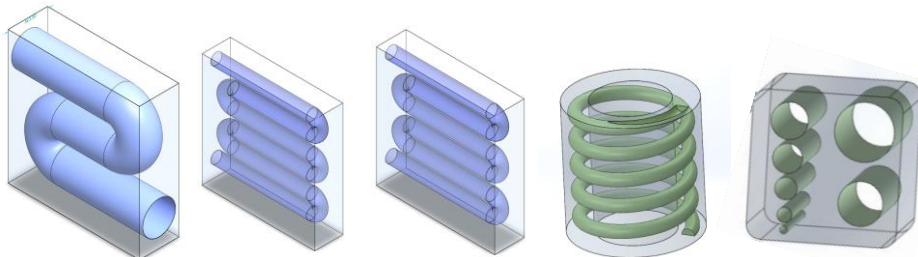
Powder stuck in channels



Vertical Positioned during SLM fabrication

Horizontal Positioned during SLM fabrication

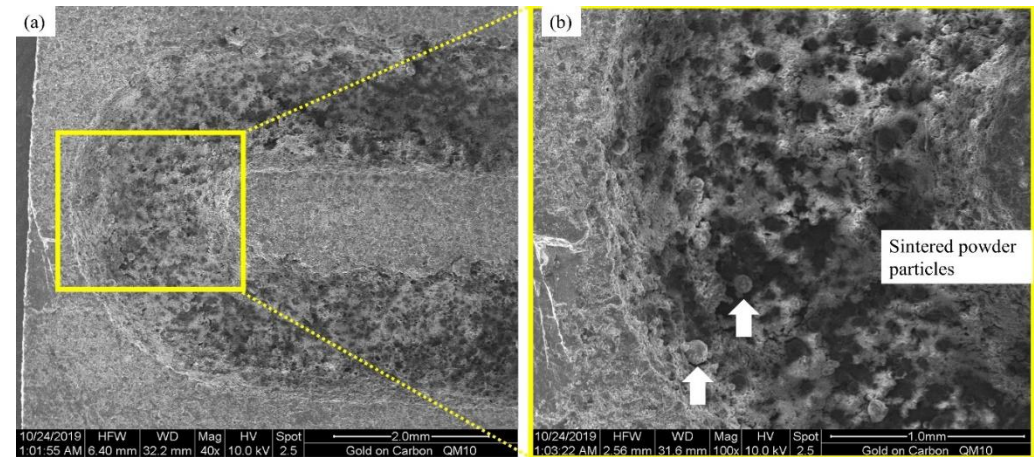
As-designed



As-3D printed

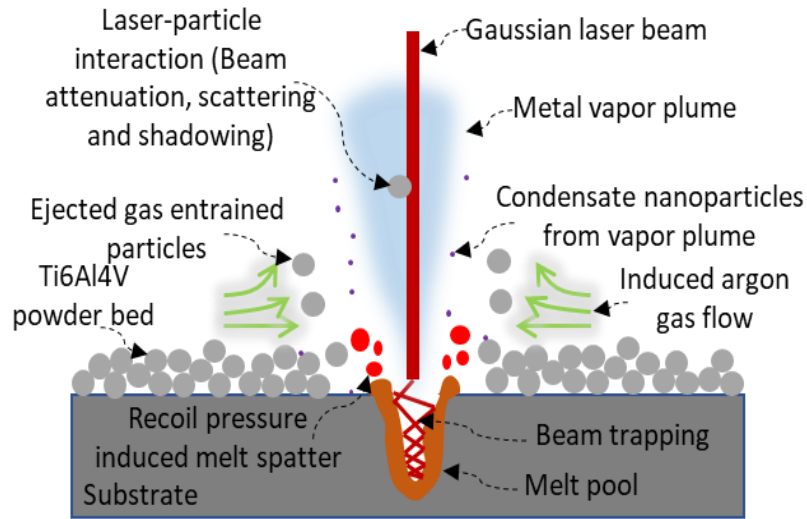


Internal cooling channels (lowest size up to 1 mm) of different shapes fabricated by LPBF AM

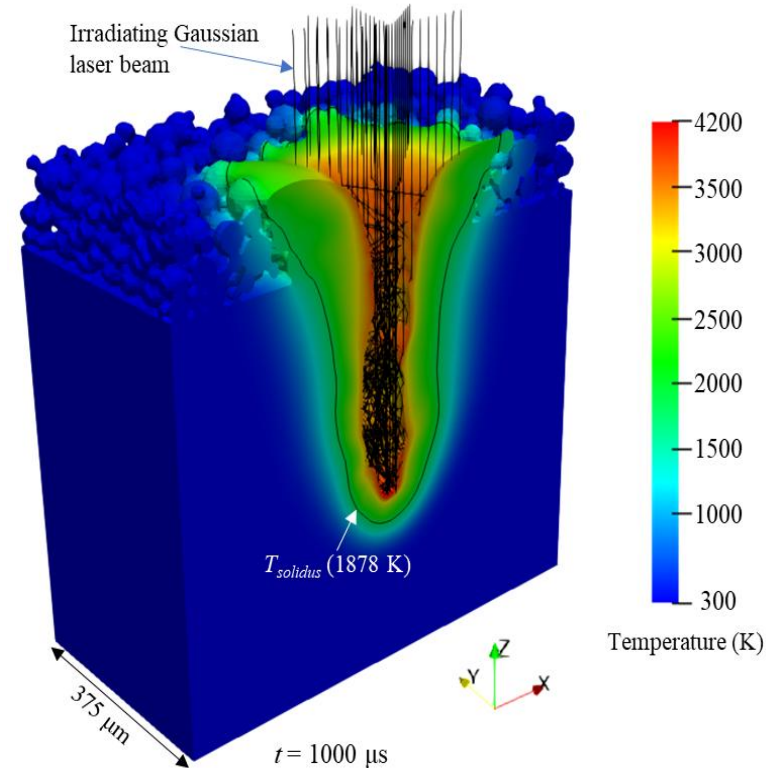


SEM images of sintered powder and unmelted powder inside the channels

Development of Process Map for Additive Manufacturing of Inconel 718 and Inconel-SS316 Multi-material Component

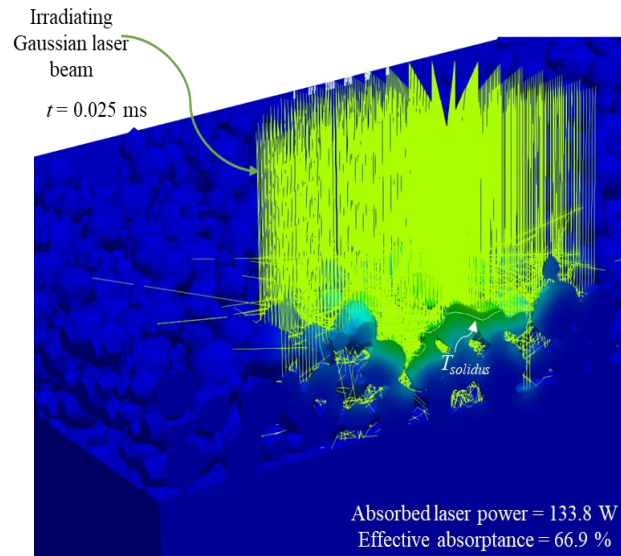


High-fidelity ray tracing model for LPBF process



Multiple reflections of laser beam in the keyhole resulting in redistribution of the laser beam intensity over the keyhole wall

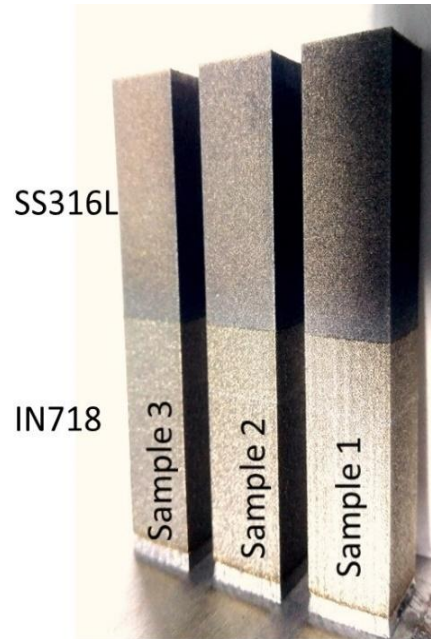
Local absorptance and reflectance of laser beam at curvature of the solid powder particles



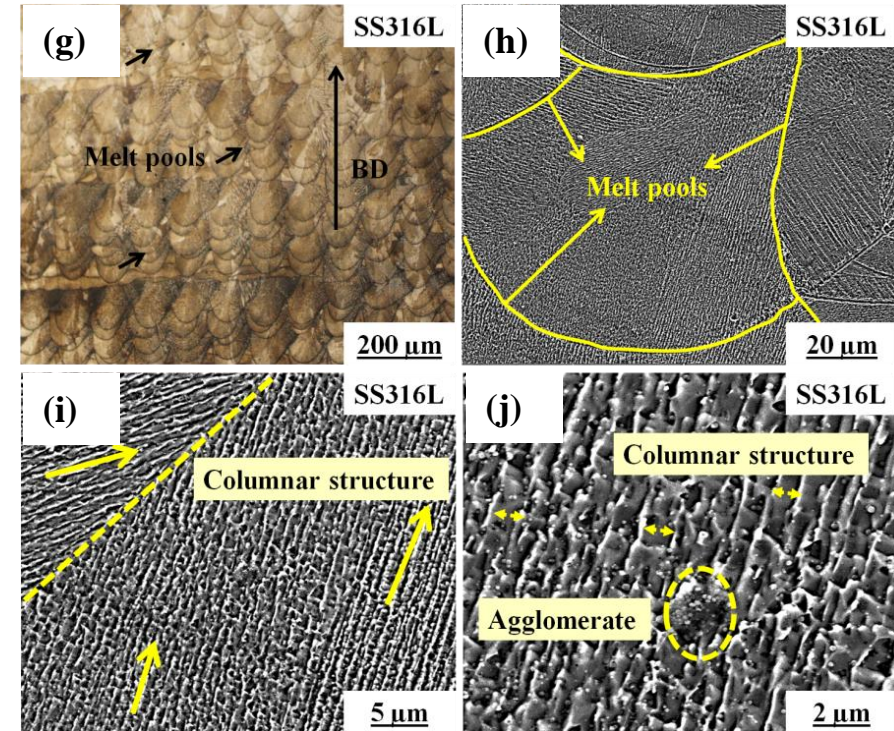
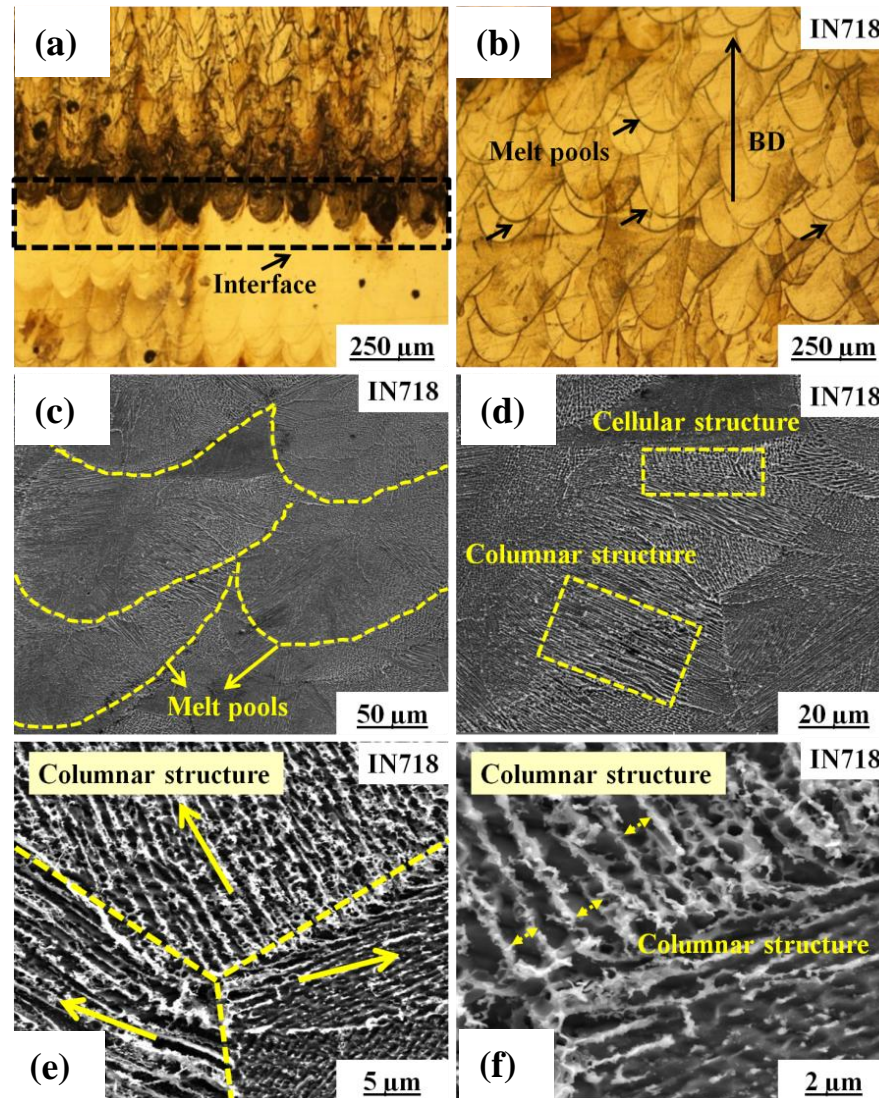
Components Printed from IN718, and Inconel-SS316 Multi-material



Defect-free fan printed

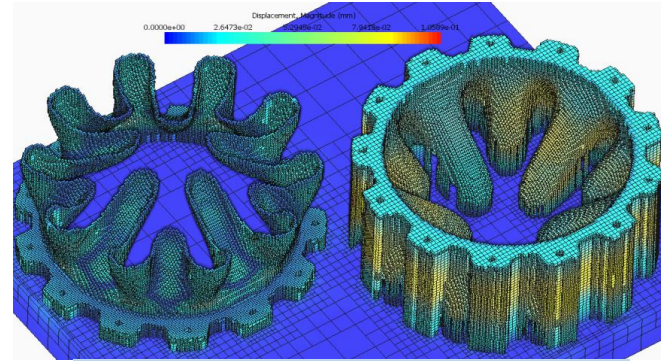
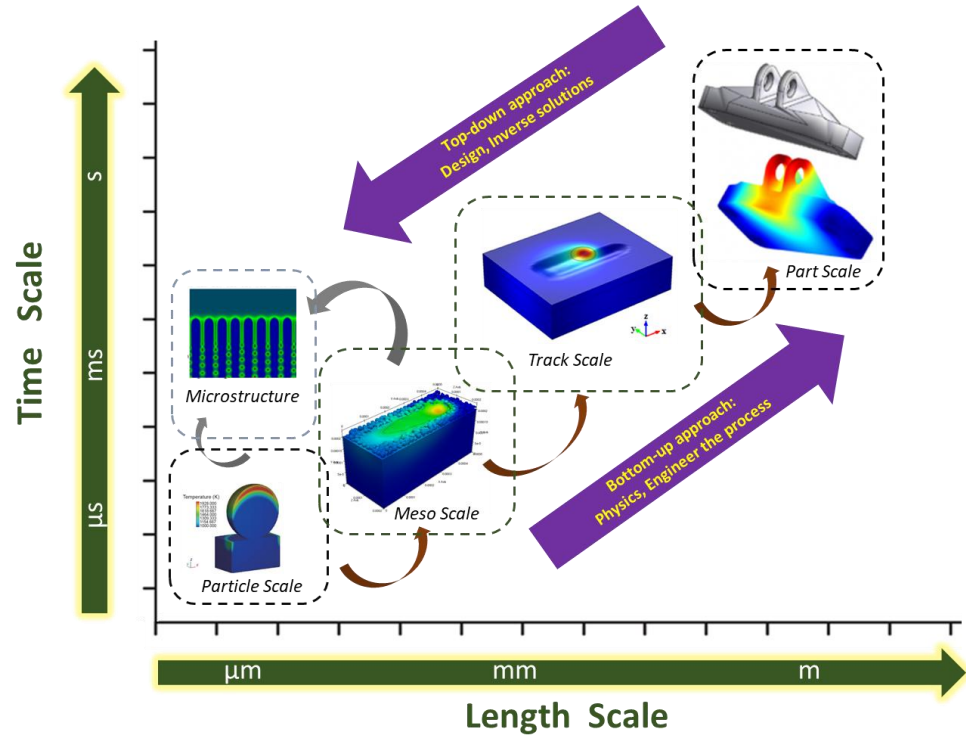


Defect-free bimetallic structure

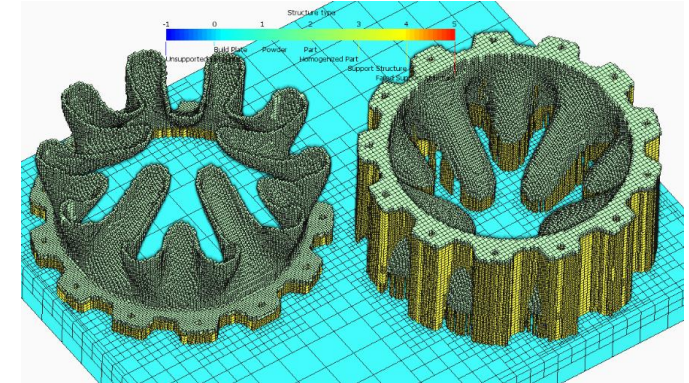


The processing parameters, such as laser power, hatch spacing, layer thickness and beam spot diameter were optimized

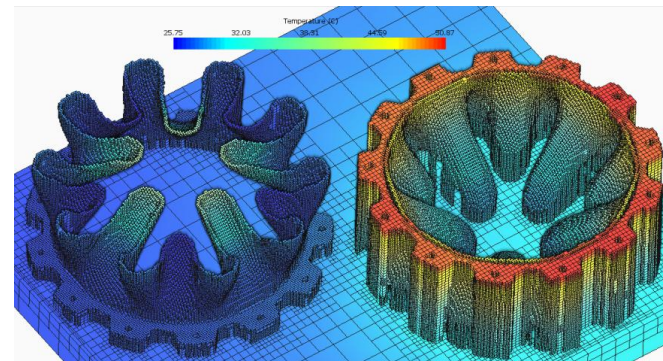
Additive Manufacturing of Aerospace Structural Component



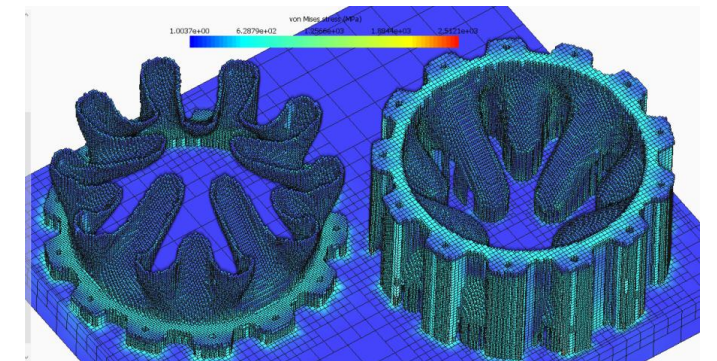
Simulation of displacement in the part during part building



Simulation of support structure and part failure during part building



Simulation of temperature field during part building



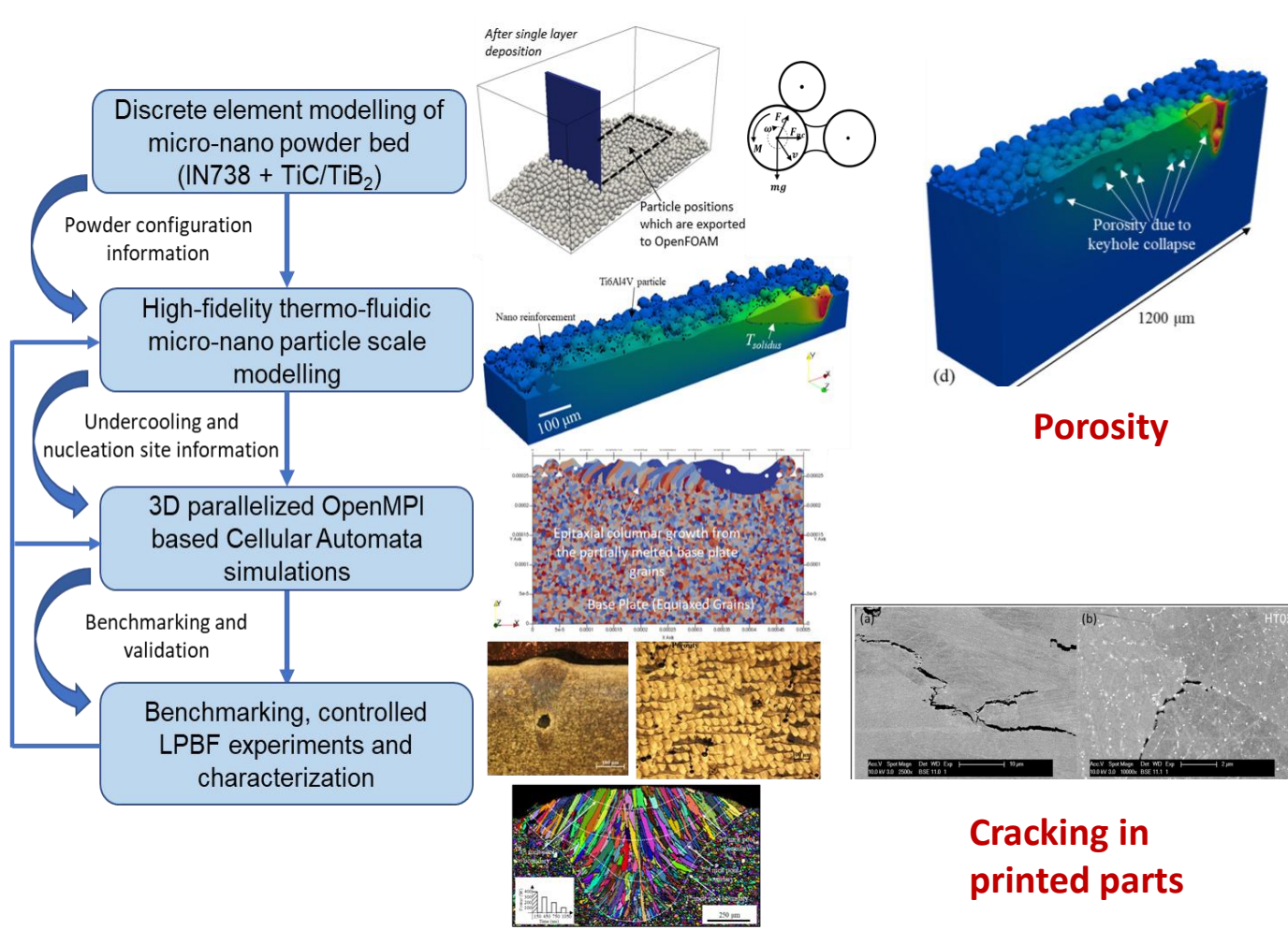
Simulation of von-Mises stress generated in the part and support structure during part building

Defect-free
3D printed
part prototype

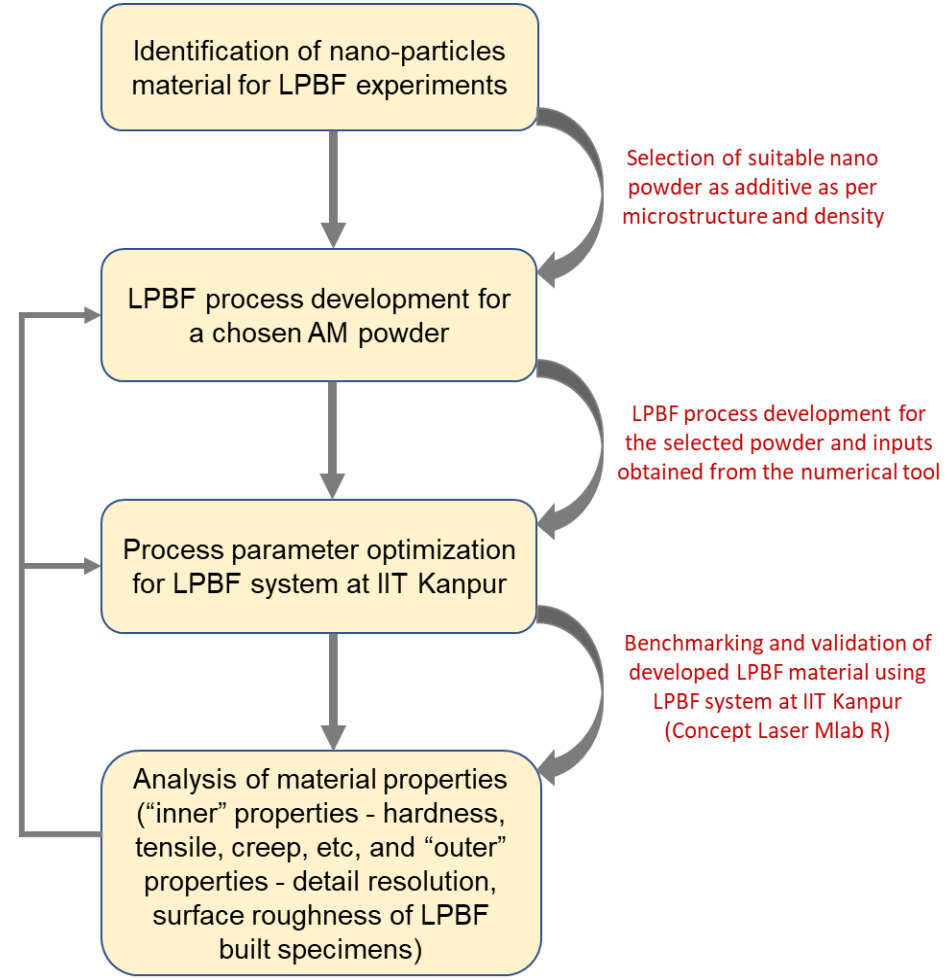


Modelling of Multi-material Composite Fabricated by LPBF AM and Mitigation of Cracking

Validation and recursive training of computational models

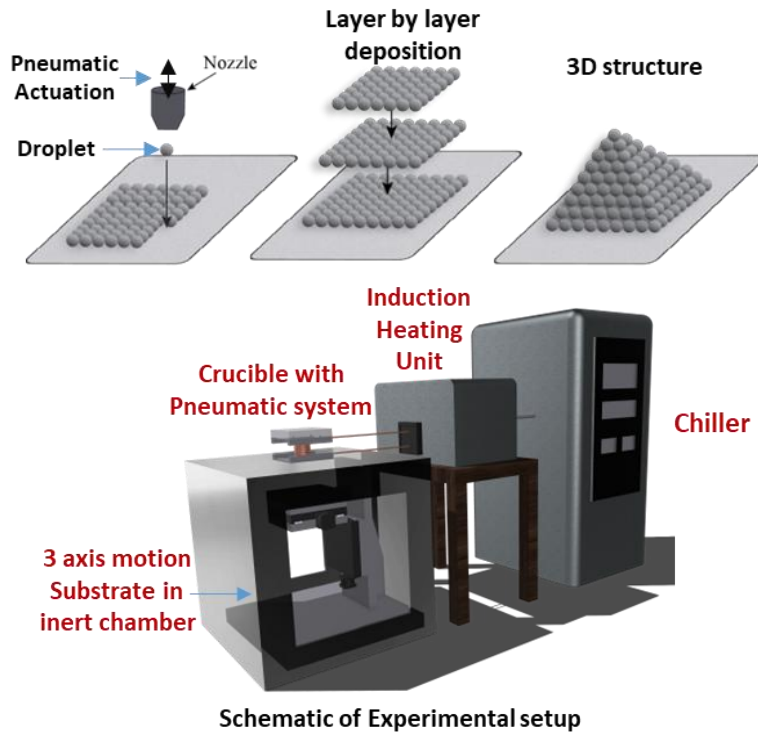


Reinforcement powder and LPBF process development



Inkjet Metal 3D Printing

Inkjet 3D printing



Schematic of Experimental setup

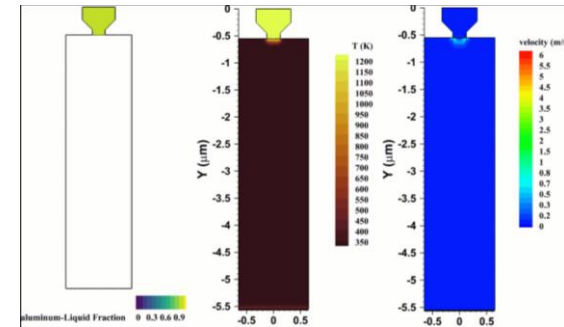
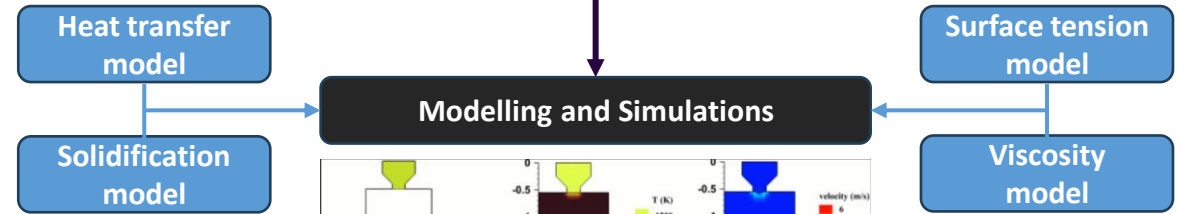


Experimental Setup

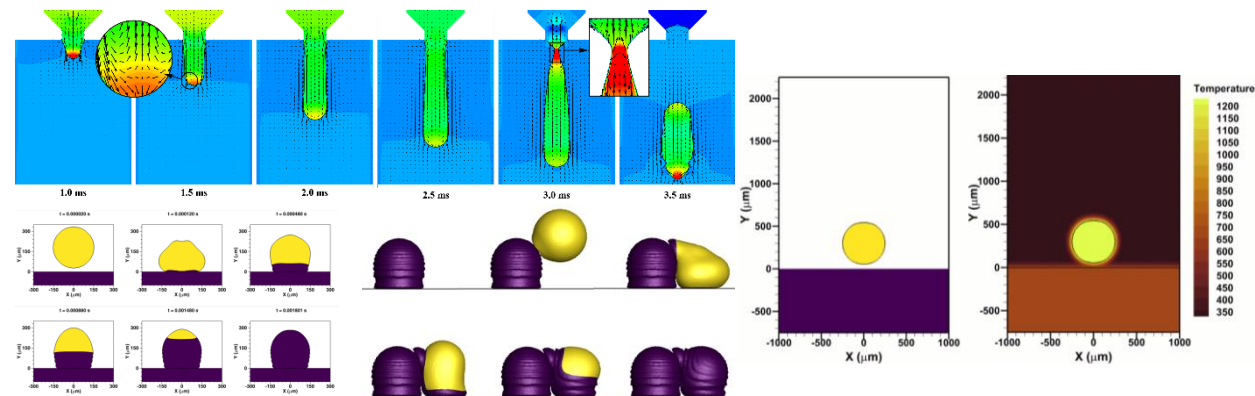


Crucible assembly

Development of multi-scale model to simulate physical phenomena



Physical Phenomena



Thermo-physical aspects of droplet deposition, coalescence and solidification

