



Multi-Material Sintering

Selective Powder Deposition technology to unlock multi-material sintering

Unlocking Multi-Material Additive Manufacturing





Aerosint introduced

Aerosint was founded in 2016 with the goal to make powder based Additive Manufacturing multi-material.

The major breakthrough from Aerosint is the invention of a technology called "Selective Powder Deposition (SPD)". This patented technology selectively deposits two (or more) powders to form a single layer containing several materials. SPD is the key to unlock multi-material applications.

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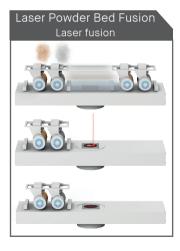


SPD Technology Explained

The SPD technology is an alternative to single material roller or blade recoaters traditionally used in powder bed processes.

This technology selectively deposits multiple powders to form a single layer containing at least two materials. The rotating powder patterning drums (1 per material) 'print' 300 μ m powder pixels to form an homogeneous multi-material powder layer.

The technology applies to multiple additive manufacturing techniques like Laser Powder Bed Fusion (L-PBF), Binder Jetting or Die filling & Sintering.







SINTERING SYSTEM

Automatic die filling machine

For multi-material sintering research



The Aerosint die filling machine allows to stack up to 3 powders precisely in a mold with an internal diameter of up to 100 mm / 3.94 inches. The powder placement is determined from a digital design defined by the user.

After uploading this file in the controlling software of the machine, the die is automatically filled layer by layer.

The die filled with powder can subsequently be sintered using hot pressing or field assisted sintering methods. This binder-free technique enables the combination of multiple materials into a multi-material blank or near net shape.

This equipment can be used with metal powders, ceramic powders and combinations thereof.

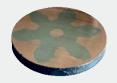
Key Benefits

- Automated filling of dies (VS manual)
- Complex shaped dies possible
- · Multi-material blanks creation
- Near net shaping
- · Functionally graded materials

Technology	Materials up to		up to 3
Die pressing/Sintering			
Material type Ceramics and metals	Size	2e ≤ 100 mm Ø dies	
	≤ 3.94 inches		



Multi-material blanks





Near net shaping





3 MATERIAL RECOATER

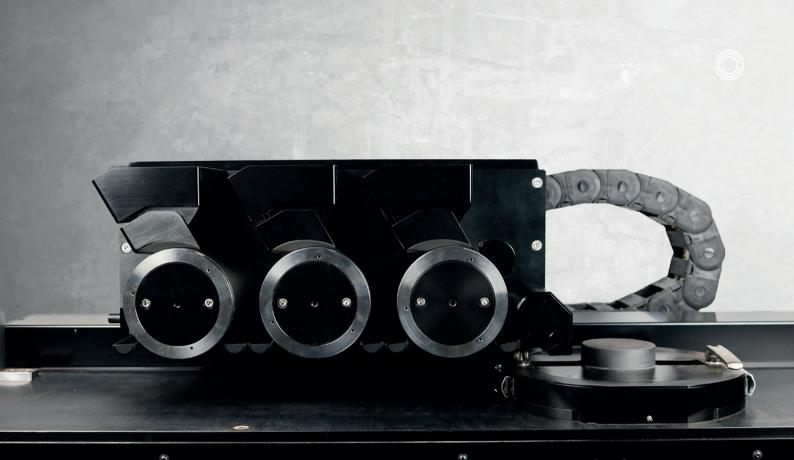


Simultaneous material deposition	3	
Deposition width	115 mm / 4.53 inches	
Min. layer thickness at the deposition	80 µm (in process layer height control)	
Min. layer thickness when using the leveler	50 μm	
Recoating speed	Up to 50 mm/s / 1.97 inches /s	
Lateral powder pixel resolution	300 μm	
Integrated powder containers	400 mL per drum	
Recoater size	480 x 361 x 182 mm / 18.9 x 14.2 x 7.2 inches	

Key Benefits

- Fast and precise powder deposition Up to 3 materials simultaneously Compatible with standard powders

- Patended



Multi-material applications

Die Filling Set Up



Automotive

Brake pads, heat sinks for electronics, engine components, conductors/insulators.



Energy and Power

Thermoelectric modules, gas turbine blades.



Manufacturing

Hard alloy tools, reinforced cutting tools, sputter targets.



Aerospace & Defense

Magnetic shielding, high temperature ceramic matrix composites, metal matrix for high stiffness.



Research

Multi-layer sandwich structures, functionally graded materials, nanophases, porous materials.



Other Applications

Colored ceramics for watches, precious metals combination for jewellery, fine ceramics combination



For graphite and steel dies offering a wide range of consolidation options, including sintering via Hot-Pressing or Field Assisted Sintering (FAST/SPS)



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