



Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare

Development & Innovation on Additive Manufacturing

Additively manufactured Refractory Metals for high temperature ISOL Target and Ion Source Systems

ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING WORKSHOP 2019

Presente Futuro della Fabbricazione Additiva nel tessuto Industriale e nella Ricerca



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Agenda

Additive Manufacturing & Selective Laser Melting:

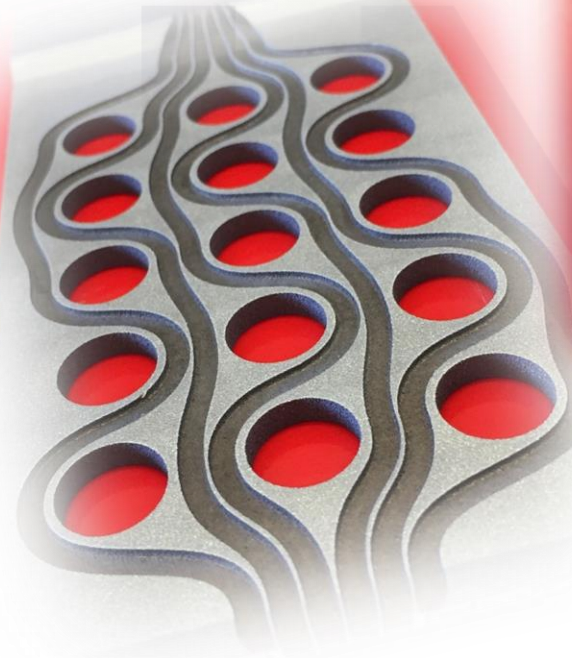
- From Design to Production
- SLM

Material development:

- Why SLM for ISOL
- SLM of Refractory Metals
- W, Ta and Mo @ DIAM

SLM for ISOL System:

- Topological Optimization
- Design for Assembly
- Characterization plan



ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING

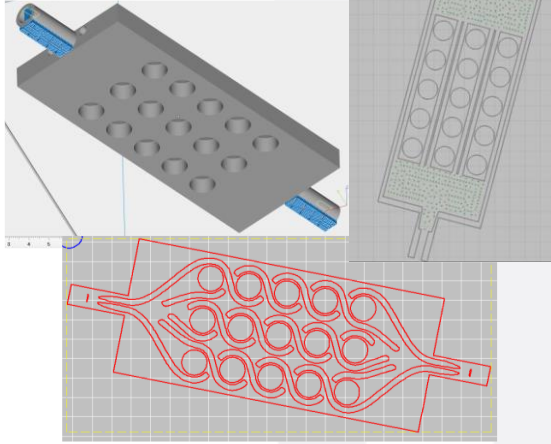
ASTM standard F2792-10:

“Process of joining materials to make objects from **3D model data**, usually **layer upon layer**, as opposed to subtractive manufacturing methodologies, such as traditional machining.”



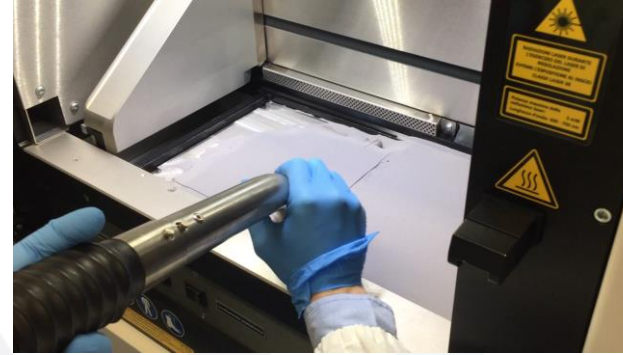
A NEW WAY TO DESIGN

- CAD file based on -
- Something that rise
- Light Weight
- Complex Geometry
- Topological Optimization



DATA PREPARATION

- Materialise Magics
→ support generation
- Slicing and Positioning on Platform



MACHINE TOOLING

- Preparation of the chamber before printing
- SLM printing
- Removal of Parts & Platform and cleaning

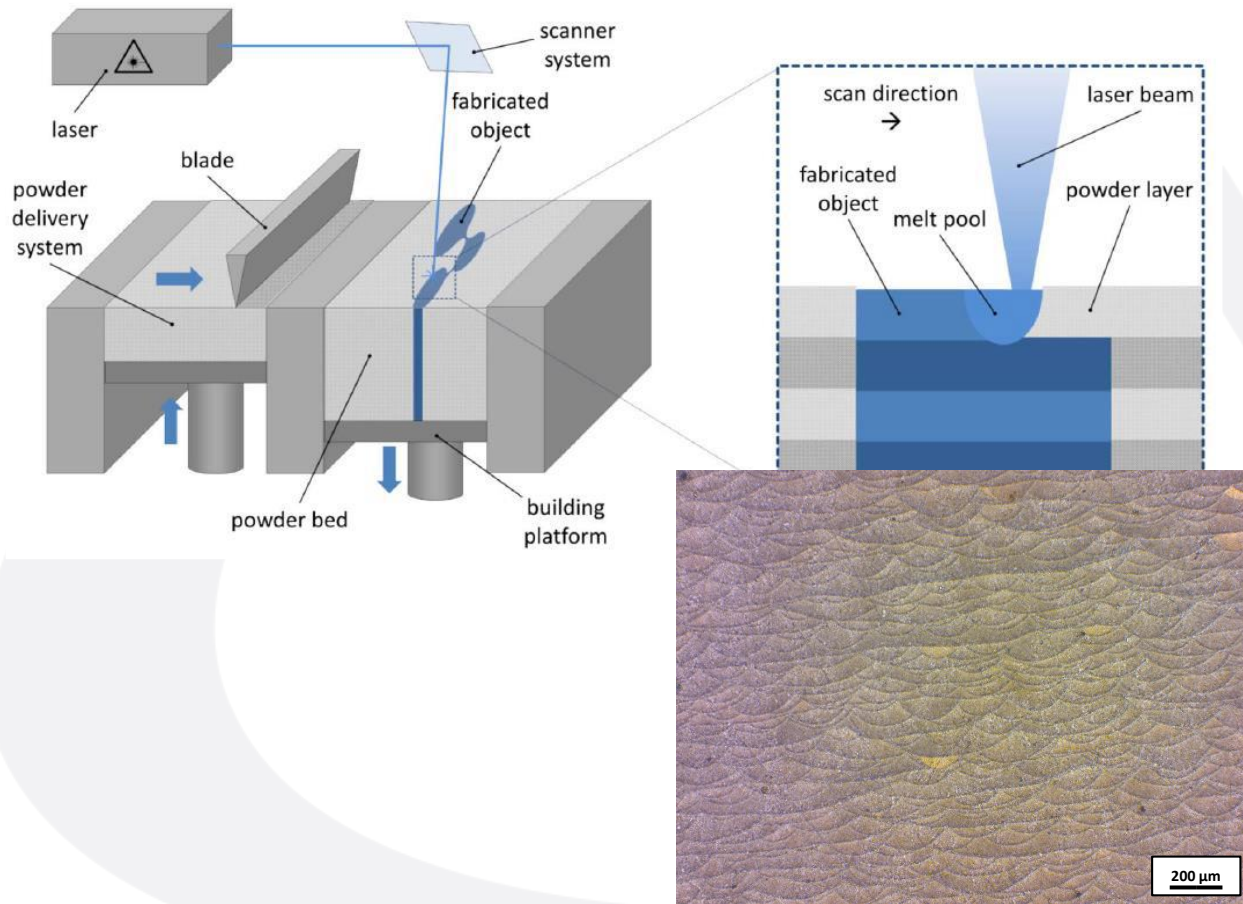


POST PROCESSING

- Removal of Supports
- Stress Relief
- Removal of parts from the Platform
- Surface refinement

Metal Powder Bed Fusion Process: Selective Laser Melting

Process where focused energy (laser beam) is used to selectively melt a layer of a powder bed.

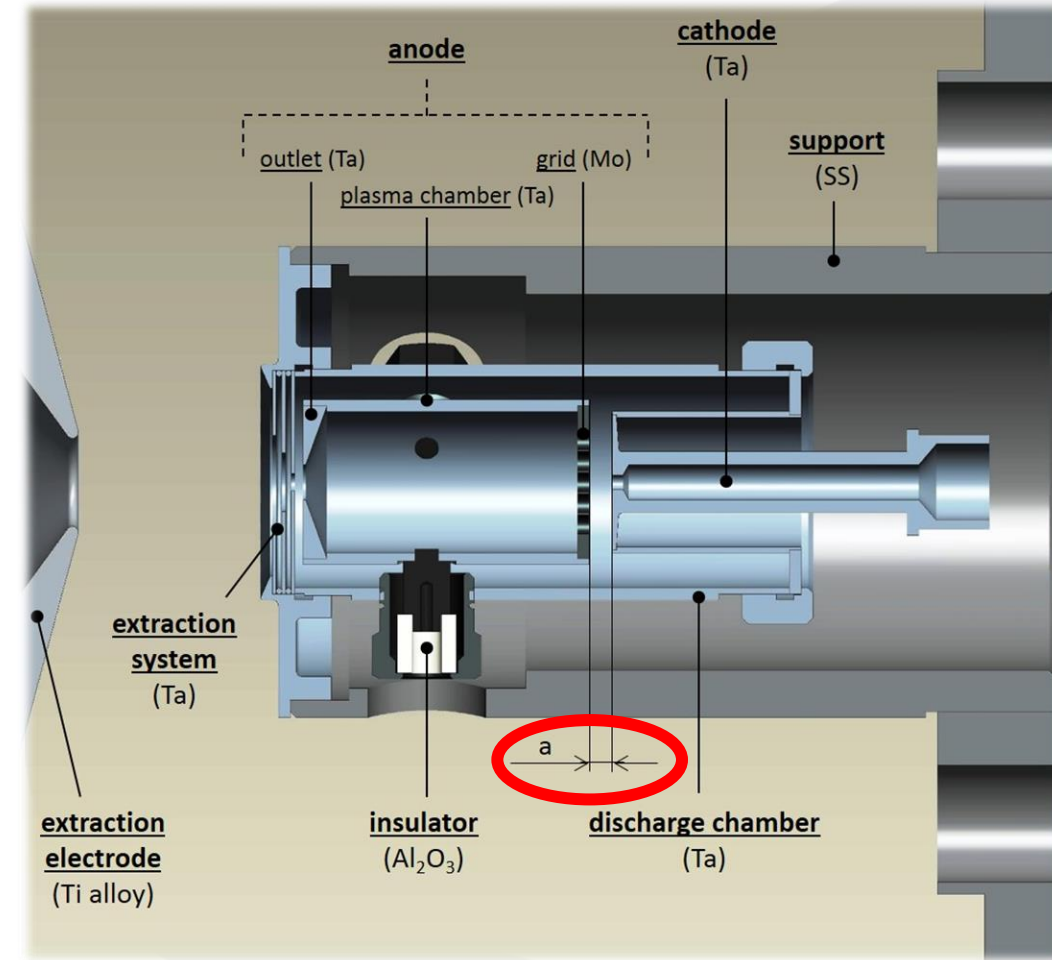


Al-Si10-Mg



WHY SLM for ISOL System

1st FEBIAD ion source prototype used at SPES



Courtesy of the SPES Target Group

Melting points T_m (°C) of chemical elements in the periodic table

1/IA	2/IIA	3/IIIB	4/IVB	5/VB	6/VIB	7/VIIB	8/VIIA	9/VIIb	10/VIIIc	11/IB	12/IIIB	13/IIIA	14/IVA	15/VA	16/VIa	17/VIIa	18/VIIIA
H 259																	He 2552
Li 181	Be 1278																
Na 98	Mg 650																
K 64	Ca 839	Sc 1539	Ti 1660														
Rb 39	Sr 764	Y 1523	Zr 1852	Nb 2470	Mo 2620	Tc 2200	Ru 2250	Rh 1966	Pd 1555								
Cs 29	Ba 725	La* 920	Hf 2150	Ta 3000	W 3410	Re 3180	Os 3050	Ir 2450	Pt 1777								
Fr 27	Ra 700	Ac** 1050	Rf 2100														
* Ce 795, Pr 935, Nd 1010, Pm 1042, Sm 1072, Eu 822, Gd 1311, Tb 1360, Dy 1412, Ho 1470, Er 1522, Tm 1545, Yb 824, Lu 1656																	
** Th 1750, Pa 1600, U 1132, Np 640, Pu 640, Am 994, Cm 1340, Bk 986, Cf 900, Es 860, Fm 1527, Md 827, No 827, Lr ?																	

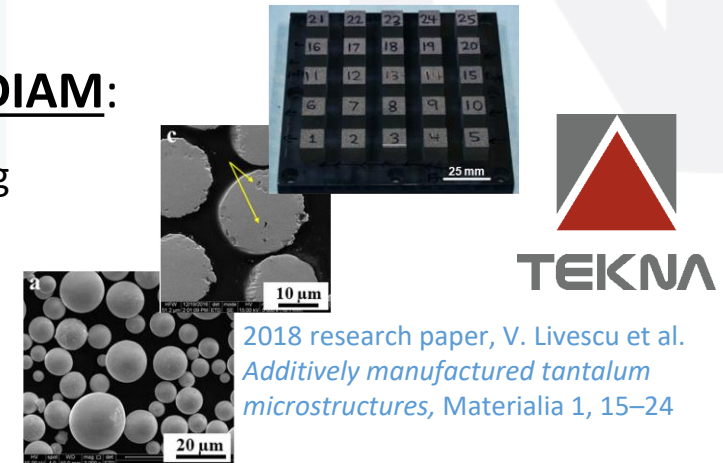
Ultra-High temperature materials

Refractory Metals Powder @ DIAM:

Ta Powder → 1550 EUR/Kg → 7,5 Kg

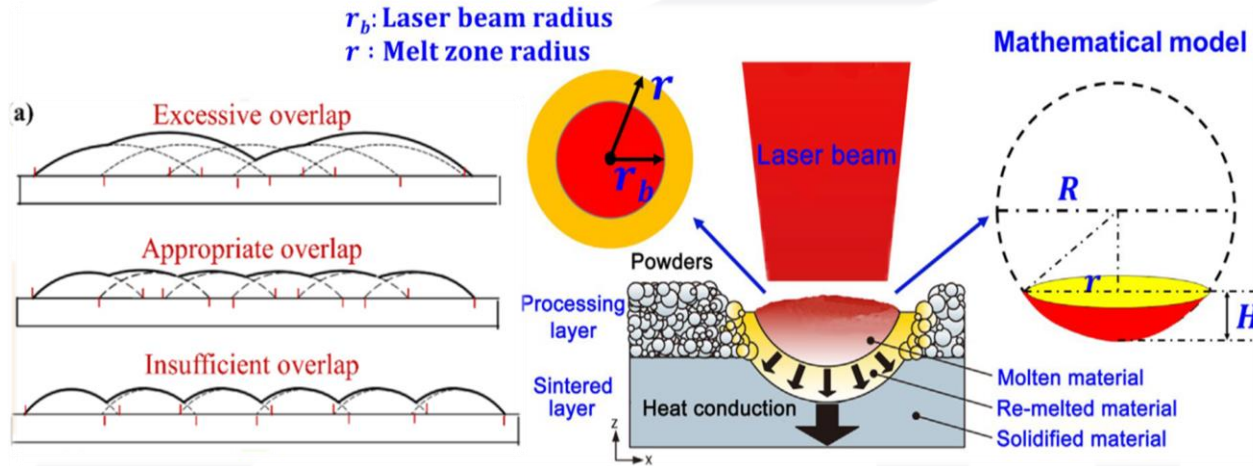
Mo Powder → 275 EUR/Kg → 10 Kg

W Powder → 275 EUR/Kg → 10 Kg



2018 research paper, V. Livescu et al.
Additively manufactured tantalum
microstructures, Materialia 1, 15–24

Critical issues of Additively Manufactured TUNGSTEN



1 High melting Point (3420 °C)

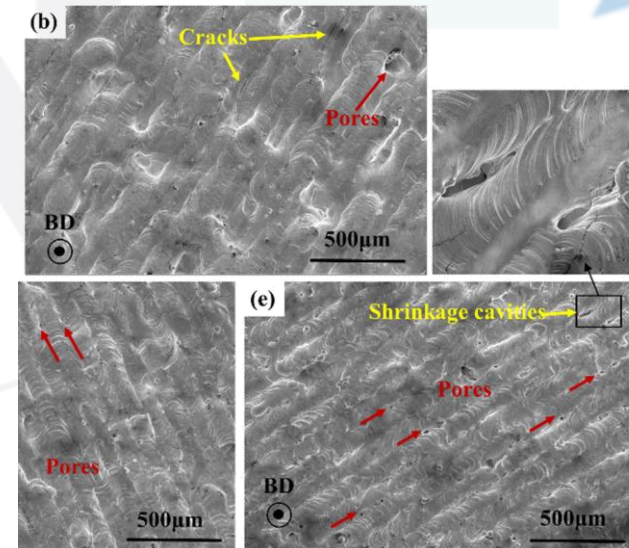
2018 research paper, Tan, C. et al.
Selective laser melting of high-performance pure tungsten.

$$Q_p = \rho C_p (T_m - T_o) + \rho L_f$$

$$Q_v = \frac{\pi r_d^2 E_{in} \Delta t}{V_m}$$

the volumetric laser energy per unit volume

$$Q_v \geq Q_p$$



- POWER
- SCAN SPEED
- HATCHING
- LAYER THICKNESS

2 High melting Point – High surface tension – High cohesive energy

2019 research paper, Wen, S. et al.
High-density tungsten fabricated by selective laser melting.

High Dynamic Viscosity $\mu = \frac{16}{15} \sqrt{\frac{m}{k_B T}} \gamma$

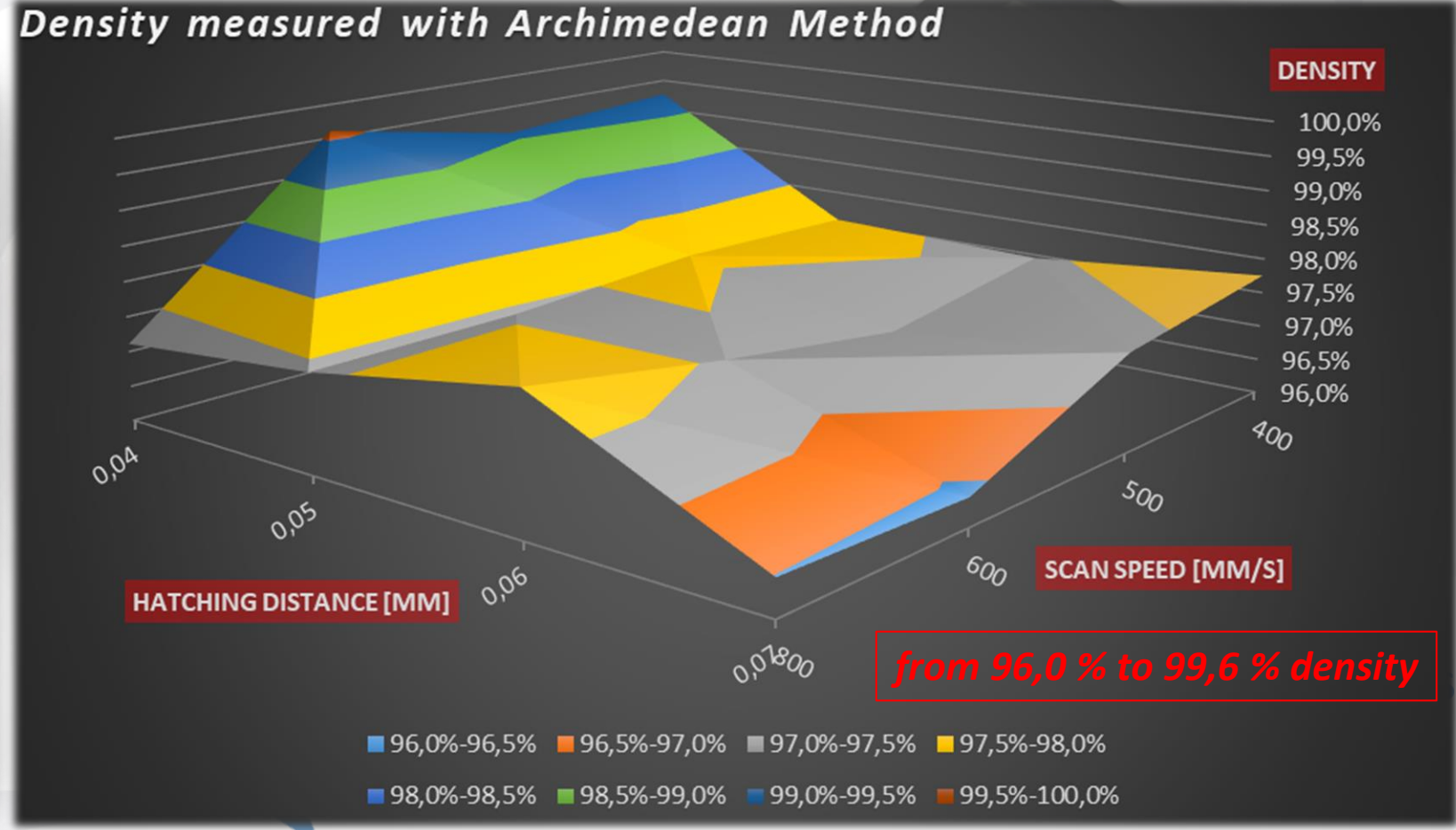
Poor flowability of the molten pool

Sufficient overlap between the scan tracks is needed

Tungsten, Tantalum and Molybdenum @ DIAM

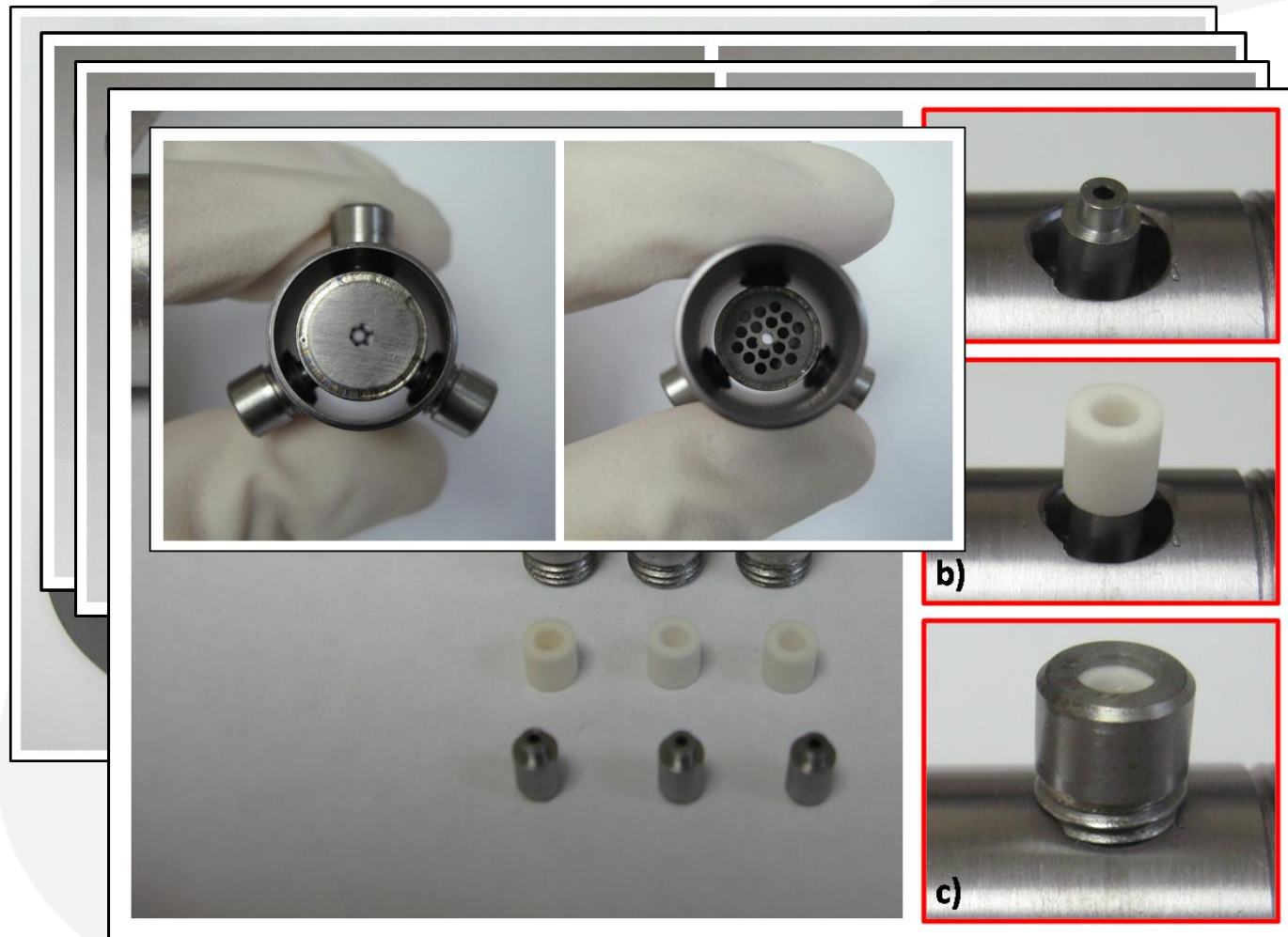
Material Characterization & Process Parameters Tuning:

- Block production for **PARAMETERS OPTIMIZATION** - with **EOS M100**

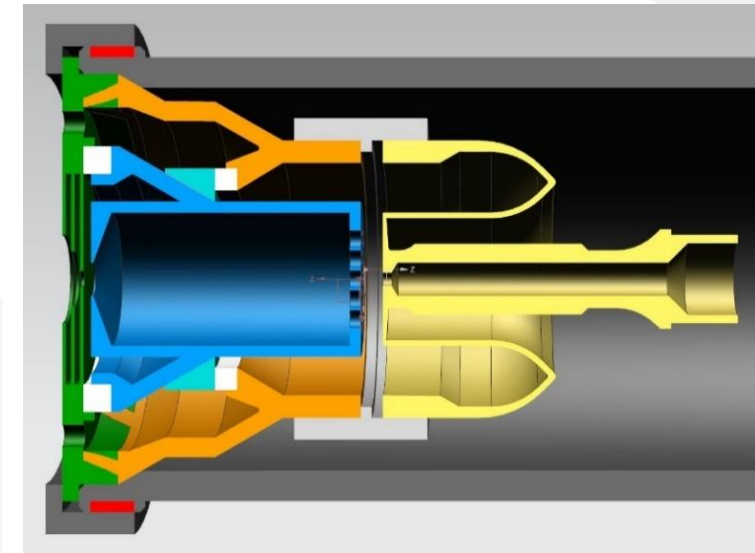


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1° Advantage Design for Assembly



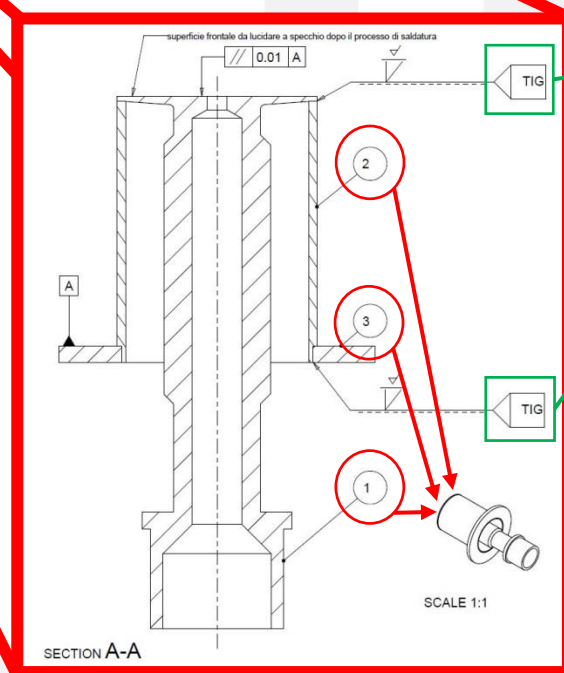
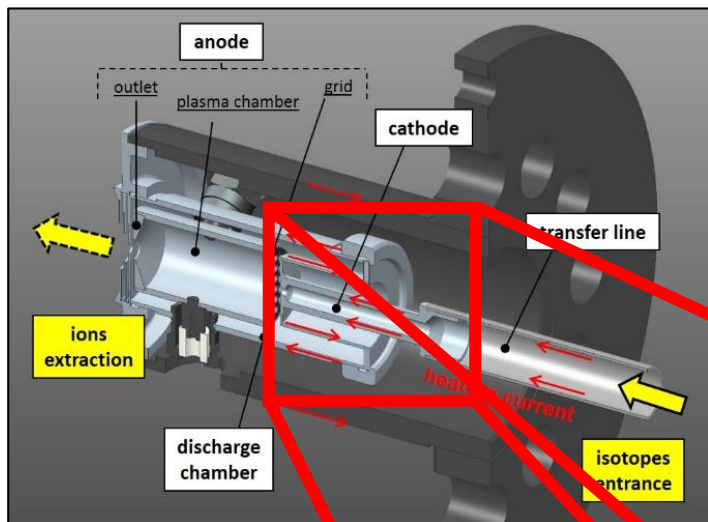
More than 20 components for ASSEMBLING and MANUAL ALIGNMENT



8 components: SELF ALIGNMENT during the ASSEMBLING
4 post-processing steps: threading

2° Advantage: Topological Optimization

Additively Manufactured CATHODE



Stainless Steel 316L - Prototype

AlSi10Mg - Prototype

CATHODE

Traditional Production

a possible Characterization Plan

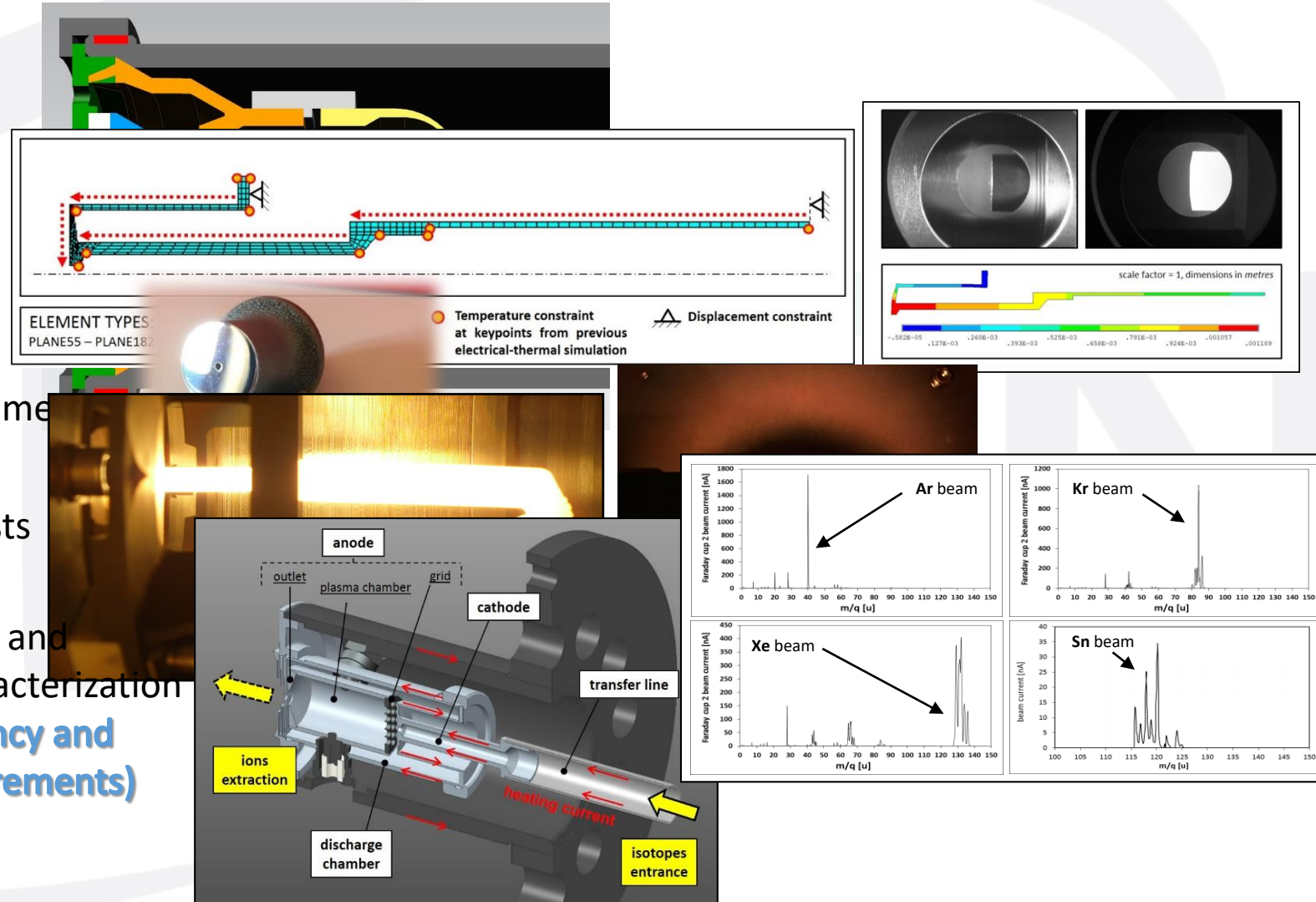
→ **NEW DESIGN**: Work in synergy to integrate **SPES GOALS** and **AM TECHNOLOGY**

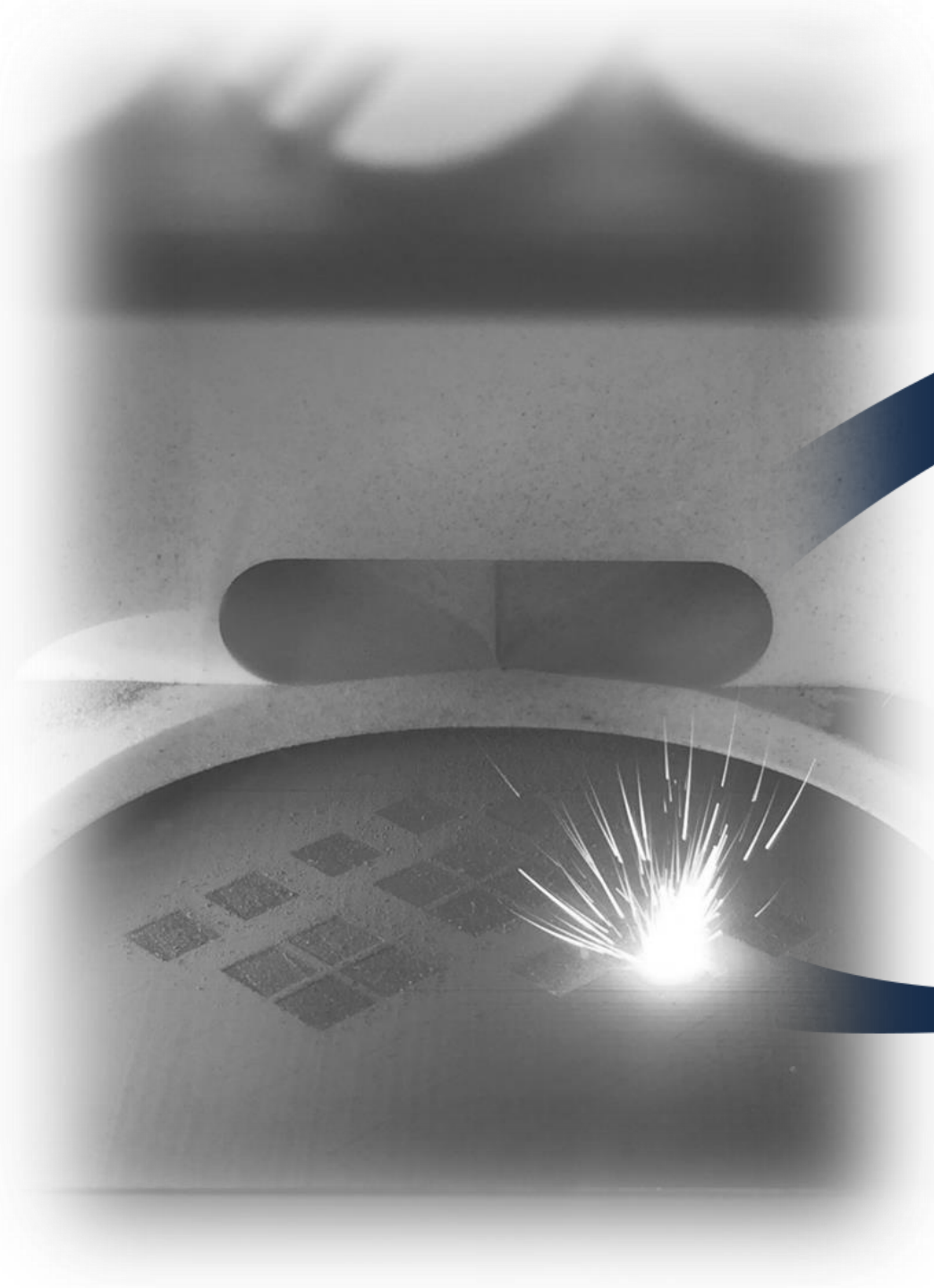
→ **ELECTRICAL-THERMAL FE ANALYSES** and **TESTS for VALIDATION**

→ Influence of **ROUGHNESS** & **SURFACE REFINEMENT** improvement

→ **HIGH TEMPERATURE** tests

→ **BEAM** production and **ION SOURCE** characterization (ionization efficiency and emittance measurements)





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