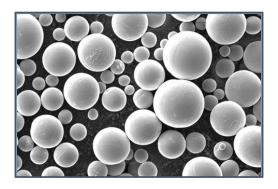


PREP powder, better for Metal AM ~デジタルものづくり・金属積層工法に理想的な原料粉末(PREP粉末)~



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Corporate Profile

■Name	JAMPT Corporation *Japan Additive Manufacturing & Processing Technology	
■Established	October 18, 2017	
■Capital	JPY 955 million (Cpital:482million, Capital Reserve:472million) / Approx. US \$ 8.6million	
Shareholder	Sojitz (56%), Koiwai (34%), Tohoku University (10%)	
■CEO	Noritaka Yasuda (from Sojitz)	
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■Business	Total Solution Provider for Metal AM (3D printing)	
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JAMPT - Business Activities

Category



Additive Manufacturing

Services

- Prototyping
- · Commercial Production
- Design Optimization (future)
- Post Processing (future)



Material Powder

- PREP powder development, production & marketing
- Development of Metal Powder / New Materials with Tohoku Univ.



Printer Development

 In close collaboration with Japanese AM Machine manufacturer

✓ Sponsoring TUfast Racing Team, TU Munish, and supply AM parts (Housing)



✓ Joined Mobility goes Additive (MgA), the leading international AM industrial network

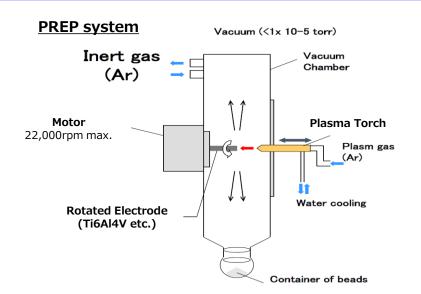




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What is PREP?

- ✓ PREP is one of the most advanced technologies for metal powder production and is suitable for additive manufacturing due to its characteristics of high-sphericity, no gas contents, no satellites, no contamination.
- ✓ PREP powders have a very high internal density because the molten metal is pulled off the bar surface by centripetal acceleration so there is no entrapped gas in particles.
- ✓ JAMPT's PREP production is supervised by Prof. Akihiko Chiba of Tohoku University, Japan's most known university/laboratory for metallurgy.
- ✓ JAMPT' PREP machine rotates 300mm x 70mm electrode at 20,000rpm, gives particle size of 30-100µ.



PREP equipment in JAMPT@Miyagi

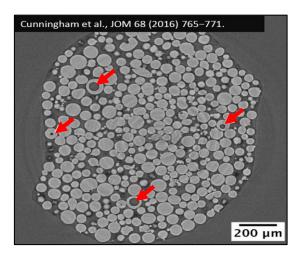


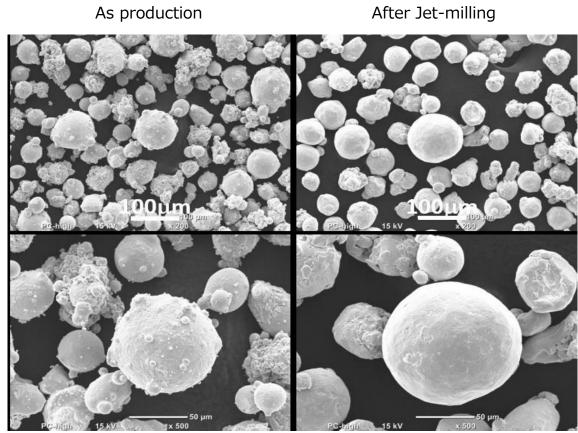
Technical issue in using existing powder for AM (1)

Gas atomization (VIGA, EIGA)

[Reference] AP&C







- ✓ Gas Atomized powder tend to have <u>low sphericity</u>, much satellite and gas porosity.
- ✓ Gas inclusion is inevitable due to its production process.

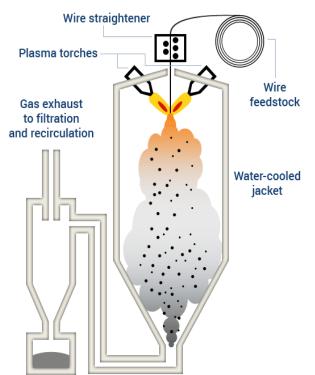


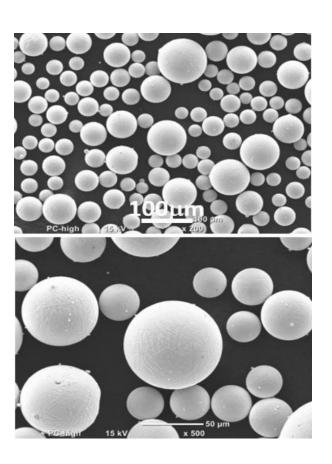
Technical issue in using existing powder for AM (2)

Prasma atomization

[Reference] AP&C

Metal wire as raw material

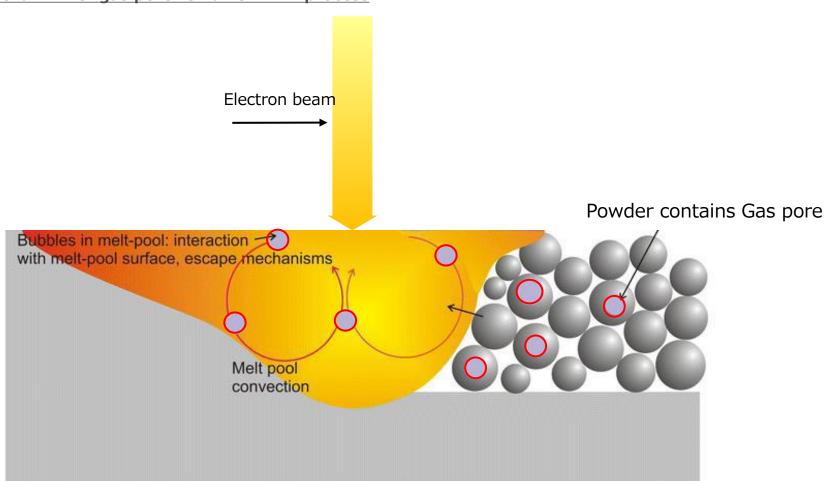




- ✓ Plasma-atomized powder is superior in quality (Sphericity and less Satellite) than Gas-atomized powder but **still contains a certain amount of gas porosity**.
- ✓It's also inevitable due to its production process.



Mechanizm of gas pore remains in AM process

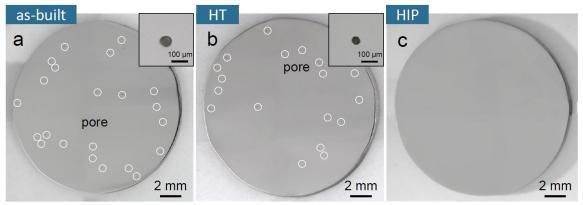


✓ Gas porosities contained in material powder doesn't disappear but transfers to the components during the AM process.



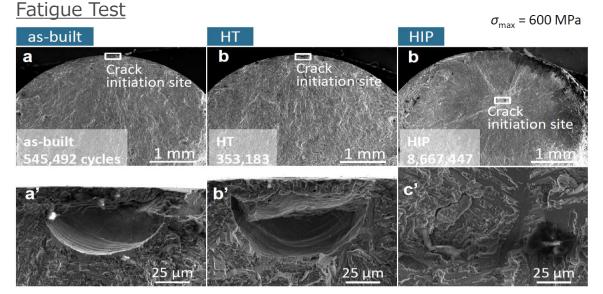
Technical issue in using existing powder for AM (4)

Comparison of gas porosities at AM sample (EBM / Ti6Al4V)

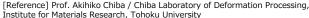


[Reference] Prof. Akihiko Chiba / Chiba Laboratory of Deformation Processing, Institute for Materials Research, Tohoku University

- ✓ Many gas porosities are observed in "As-built" and "Heat Treated(HT)"
- ✓ No gas porosity is observed after "HIP"
- ✓ Gas porosities come from powder

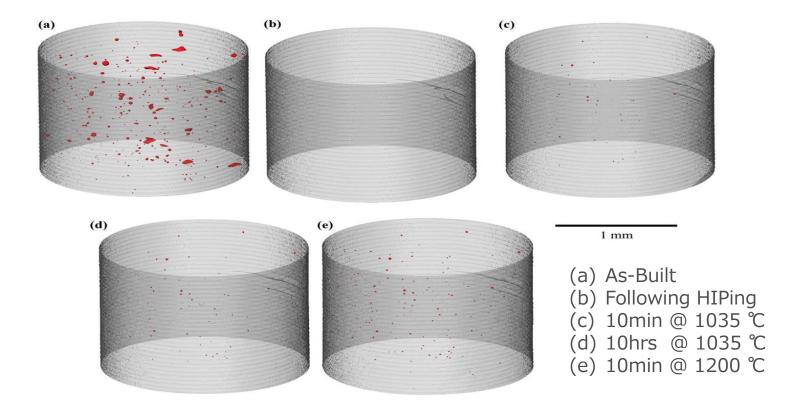


- ✓ During fatigue test, crack initiation occurred from surface for "As-built" and "HT"
- ✓ Crack initiation occurred from internal for "HIP"
- ✓ "HIP" material broke at 8.7M cycles at 600MPa.

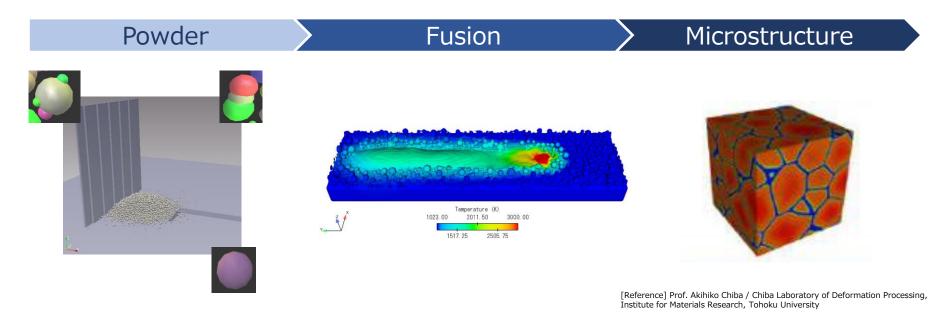




Visualization of the porosity (in Red) imaged by CT scans of the same cylindrical sample.



- ✓ Porosity disappears after HIP, but does regrowth under the condition of high temperature.
- ✓ HIP is costly and not a perfect solution especially for the application where high fatigue strength is required.



Parameter for AM process simulation

[Powder bed]

- Powder properties
- Layer thickness
- Bulk density etc.

[Hydrodynamics]

- Convection
- Evaporation
- Heat transfer
- Mass transfer etc.

(Solidification)

- Temperature gradient
- Solidification speed etc.

Spherical powder

Process simulation for AM

Establish CPS

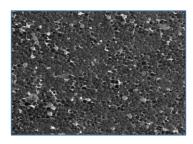


JAMPT's PREP powder (1)

Comparison with other powders

	JAMPT's
	PREP powder
Sphericity	Excellent
Gas Porosity	Zero
Satellite	Very Limited
Flowability	High
Powder Image (1)	
Powder Image (2)	
Size Distribution	100 50 80 40 40 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70

	Plasma Atomized	Gas Atomized
	(in general)	(in general)
	Good	Good
	Limited	More
	Some	More
	Medium	Less
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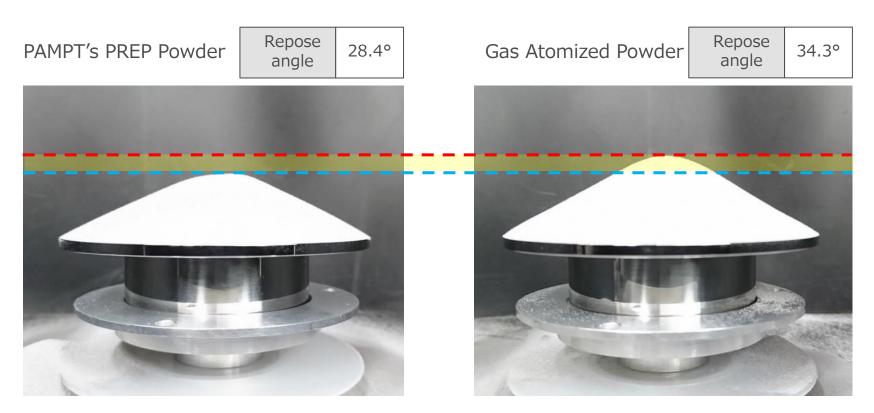
Sectional view (SEM) of JAMPT's PREP powder: No gas porosity is can be observed.

- ✓ JAMPT's PREP technology provides superior powder quality than other technology.
- ✓ Materials JAMPT offers by PREP is Ti6Al4V, Inconel 718, TiAl.
 - *Continuing to develop other materials



JAMPT's PREP powder (2)

- ✓ JAMPT's PREP powder is high in flowability which enables smooth spread of powder on build stage and more accurate production.
- ✓ High sphericity enables powder users more close-to-reality input to the simulation software, resulting more accurate / trustworthy simulation result.



X Repose angle: When dropping powder onto the stage, powder with high sphericity creates lower angle of repose.





Vielen Dank!!