

# Materials 2014

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#### ADMATEC EUROPE BV

#### >> Introduction

- >> Founded in November 2013
- >> Spinoff from Formatec Ceramics
- >> 5 employees
- >> ambitious technology roadmap









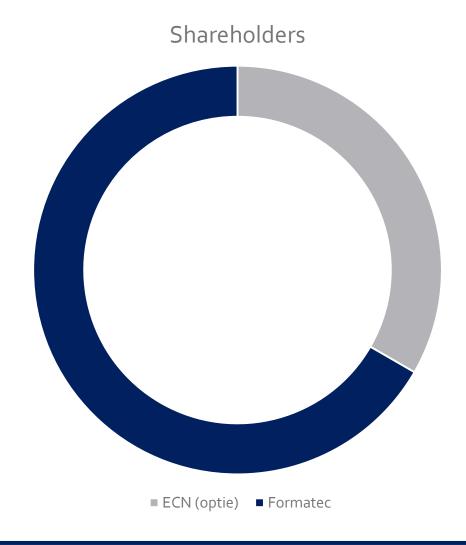
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Admatec delivers printed components produced by Additive Manufacturing technologies.

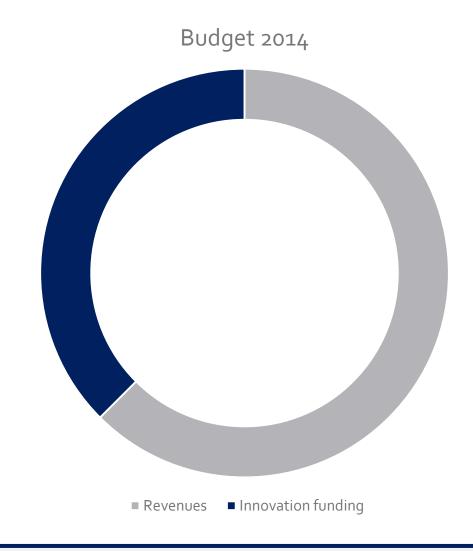
Components should be 100% functional with great mechanical properties and low surface roughness.

Admatec aims to operate with in in-house developed technology in order to guarantee innovations and total independency.

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#### >> Market attention

# Admatec aims to become market leader for 3D printing ceramics



# Admatec: keramische componenten uit de printer



3D-printen zet in rap tempo door in de industrie. Eerder was het driedimensionaal printen van kunststof en metalen componenten al doorontwikkeld; nu komt daar het 3d-printen van keramische componenten bij. Met dat laatste houdt startup Admatec zich bezig. Het bedrijf produceert op bestelling onderdelen en componenten van keramisch materiaal voor diverse klanten. Keramische componenten zijn over het algemeen veel slijtvaster dan hun metalen of kunststof tegenhangers, wat ze voor diverse toepassingen geschikt maakt. De 3d-printer van Admatec bouwt de benodigde componenten laagsgewijs op uit een slurrie, een mengsel van keramisch poeder en een vloeibare fotopolymeer. 'De consistentie van dit middel zit tussen tandpasta en yoghurt in', vertelt Michiel de Bruijcker,

managing director van Admatec. Hij kan de precieze samenstelling van de slurrie niet geven, omdat de patentaanvraag nog loopt. Deze pasta bevindt zich in een klein reservoir dat van onderen wordt belicht. Boven het reservoir bevindt zich de printkop, die het oppervlak van de vloeistof net aanraakt. De vloeistof wordt bovenaan hard en bindt zich aan de vorm van de printkop. De printkop trekt het product vervolgens langzaam omhoog. Het product wordt dus van onderaf opgebouwd. Na de vorming van de component, vindt het zogenoemde debinden plaats, waarbij de fotopolymeer uit het product wordt gedampt. Om tot slot tot een stevig keramisch product te komen, wordt de component gesinterd. Admatec komt voort uit een samenwerking

van drie instellingen, maar vindt zijn

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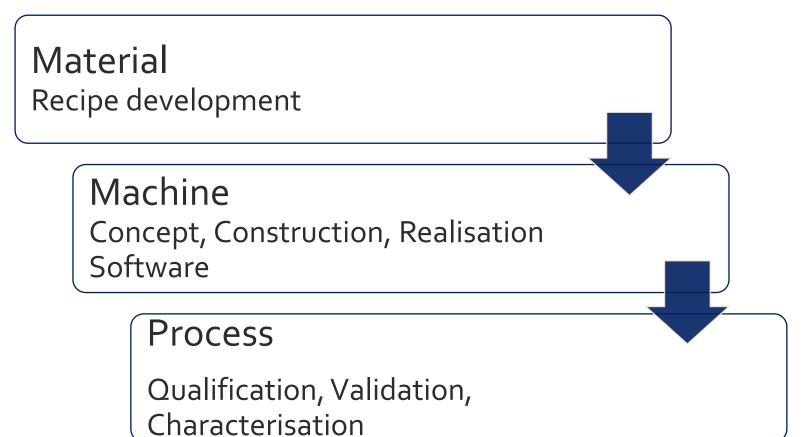


#### Admatec is nieuw initiatief in 3Dprintingsector

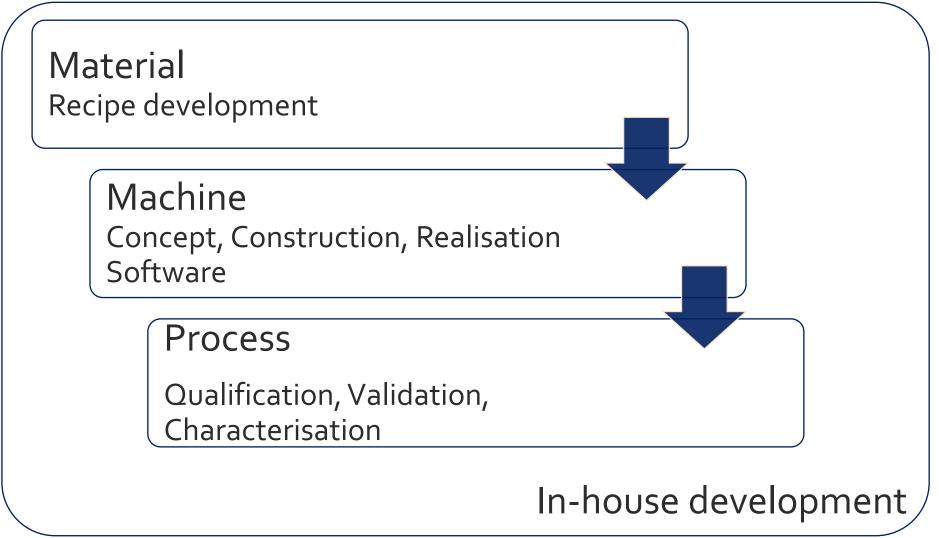
New company created for the 3D printing of functional ceramic components



#### >> Technology

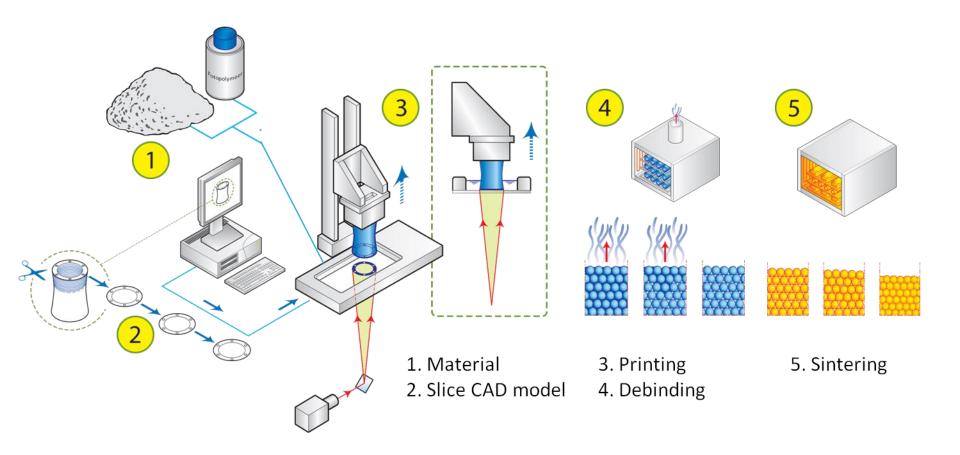


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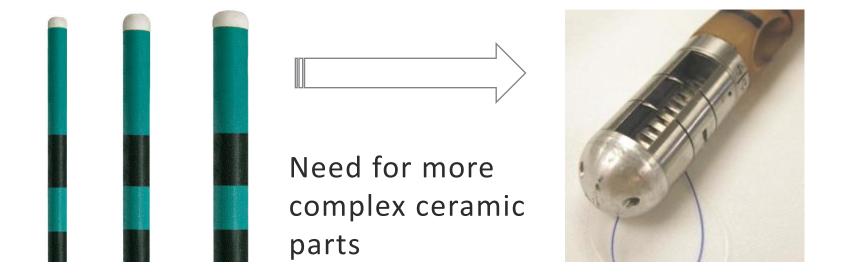
#### >> ADMAFLEX TECHNOLOGY



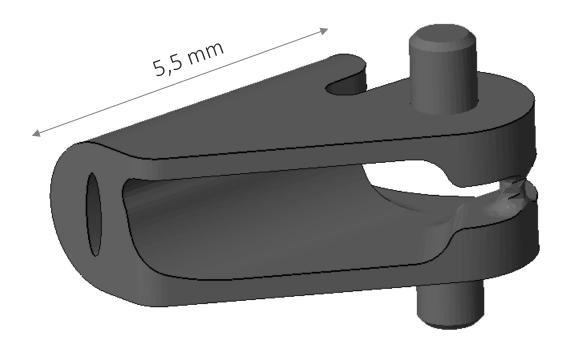
#### >> ADMAFLEX TECHNOLOGY

Resolution	μm	40	
Layer thickness	μm	25	100
Speed	mm/h	4 – 5	>10
Size building platform	mm	80 x 80 x 150	
Materials	-	Alumina oxide / Zircon oxide	
Density	%	>98%	

The ADMAFLEX technology delivers complete dense microstructures with low surface roughness's. Similar material properties as products shaped by traditional technologies.



#### Request for printing study:

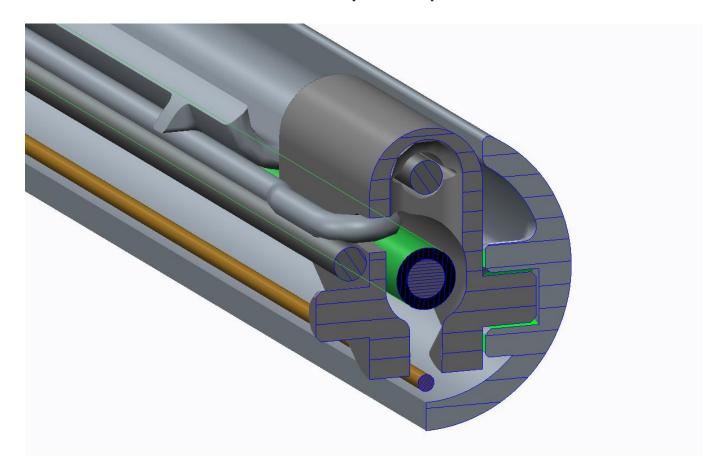


1, 5, 10pcs

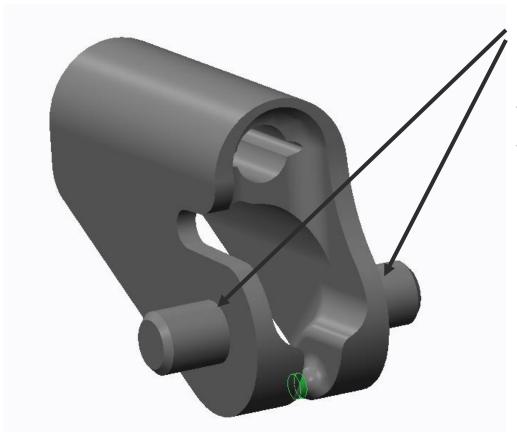
Details of 0.3mm

Pull force of 4N on bridge

Cross section of the request part in the final assembly



#### >> Re-design to enable additive manufacturing

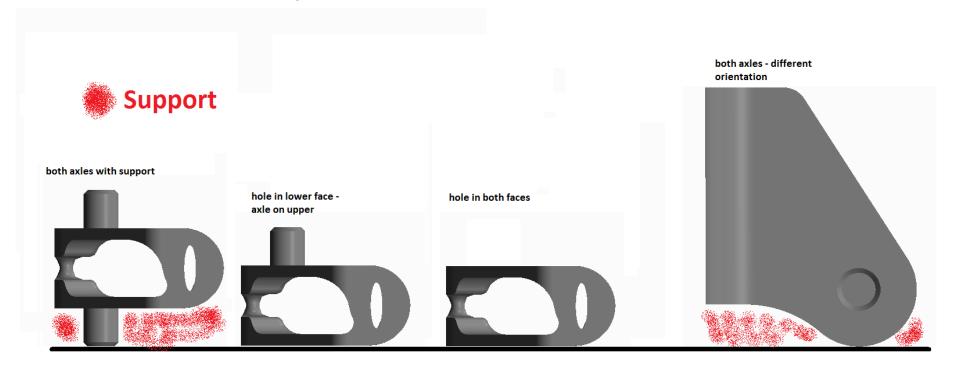


Fixing the 'floating' axes.

- Support structure
- Adding a radius

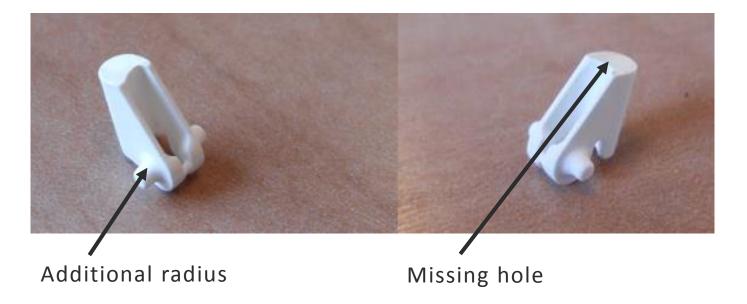
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#### Determination of print direction



**Print bed** 

#### First print results



#### Final print results





The business case:

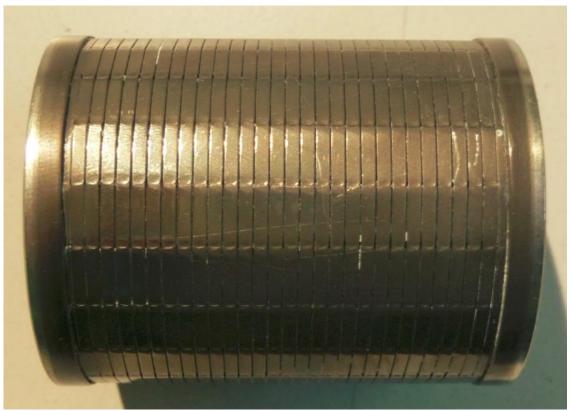
Pieces per printing 48 (can be optimized)
Printing time < 1hr

Breakeven point with injection moulding is beyond 15.000pcs per year.

Small and high complex parts pushes the injection moulding technology.

Printing will be a production technology in these cases.

#### >> Application: Filter



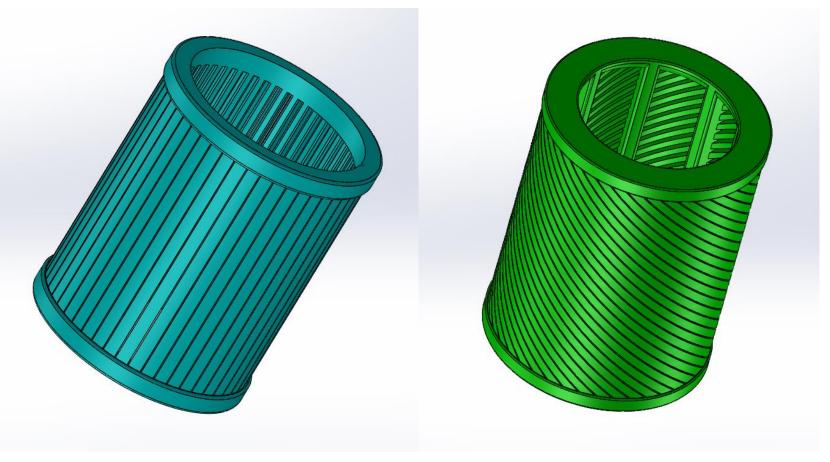




H = 54,2mm  $\emptyset = 42,57$  mm. Split opening of 0.2mm

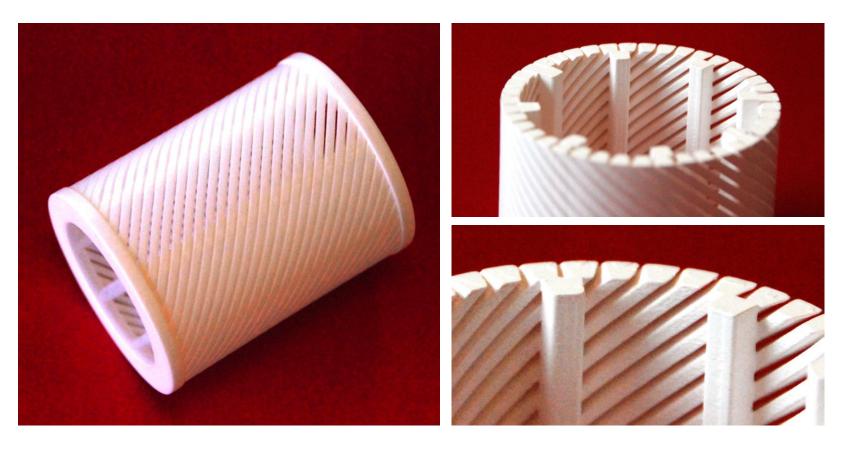
Can you print discs?

#### >> Application: Filter



Engineering a full ceramic filter, demonstrating the customer what the full possibilities of printing ceramics are.

# >> Application: Filter



Printing results

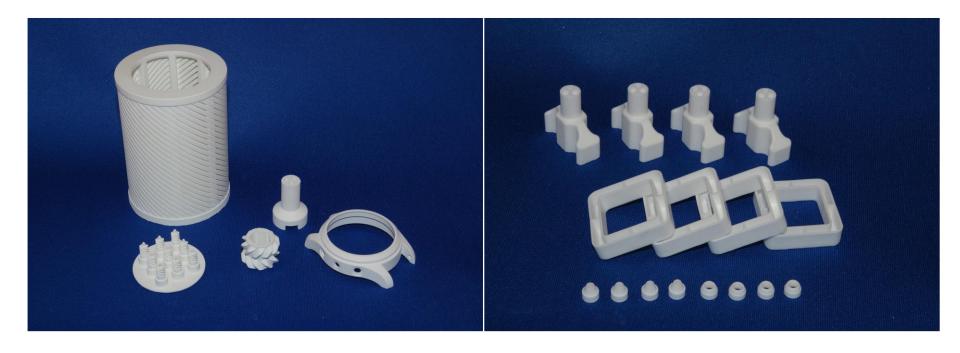
The business case:

Added value by printing functional integrated filter element.

Elimination of assembly parts.

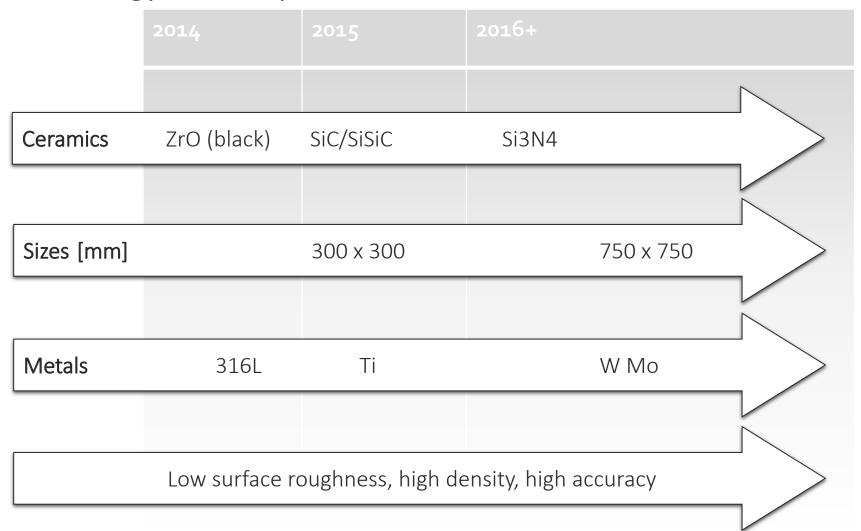
Breakeven point unknown also because parts is not to be produced with any other techniques.

#### >> Conclusion



Printed ceramic parts finds its way to new ceramic components and rapidly defines new borders for production solutions.

#### >> Technology roadmap





# Dank voor uw aandacht

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