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Areas of expertise

Industrial Engineering (Laser Beam Machining, Water Jet Cutting, Electrical Discharge Machining, Rapid Prototyping of complex parts and master models for Rapid Tooling, etc.); Flexible Manufacturing Systems (CNC Manufacturing Systems); CAD/CAM Systems (Applied Industrial design for products and technologies); Production Engineering (Innovative Manufacturing for product development and Rapid Tooling technologies); Automotive Engineering (Competitive Manufacturing of car components); Composite Materials (Manufacturing technologies of complex parts made out of composite materials enforced with carbon fiber); Engineering and Technologies (Concurrent engineering, Methodologies and Software tools in Design for Manufacture and Assembly); Biomedical engineering, (Prototypes, customized implants, new biocompatible materials); Operational Research. Development of algorithms for solving TSP, Flowshop Scheduling, Optimal Nesting etc. Technology Processes Optimization Development of algorithms for linear and nonlinear optimization, without/with constraints.

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Representative projects

DigiTech – "Implementation of additive technologies in complex and overbuilt components manufacturing", PNIII-P1-1.2 PCCDI 2018, (2018-2021)

"AMaTUC – Boosting the scientific excellence and innovation capacity in additive manufacturing of the Technical University of Cluj-Napoca", HORIZON 2020 – twinning, 2016-2018

"Research concerning the development of new stochastic heuristic algorithms for solving flowshop scheduling problems", PNII-Idei, http://www.ci579.utcluj.ro (2008-2011)

"Expert Systems for Technology Processes Optimization. The research contracts deals with rapid prototyping and tooling optimization", PNII, http://www.esop.utcluj.ro (2007-2010)

Adm-ERA, "Reinforcing Additive Manufacturing research cooperation between the Central Metallurgical Research and Development Institute and the European Research Area", European FP7 Project, (2011-2013)

BIOMAPIM, "New Biocompatible Materials for personalized implants made by SLS and SLM", PCCE, (2010-2013) OP3MET, "Optical 3D Metrology - Automated in-line metrology for quality assurance in the manufacturing industry", European FP6 Project, (2006-2008)

"Innovative Manufacturing Network", (2005-2008)

Significant results

The most representative publications of the past 5 years:

- 1. Cosma, C., Teusan, C., Gogola, P., Berce, P.Balc,N. Investigation of the Interface between Laser-Melted CoCr and a Stainless Steel Substrate. In:Metals, 2022, 12(6), 965
- 2. Armencea, G., Cosma, C., Dinu, C., Onisor, F., Lazar, M., Berce, P., Balc, N., Baciut, M., Bran, S., Technical queries of a 3D design custom-made implant made from titanium particles for maxillofacial bone reconstruction, Particulate Science and Technology, Volume: 38 Issue 6 Pages 676-684, TAYLOR & FRANCIS INC, ISSN: 0272-6351, DOI: 10.1080/02726351.2019.1578846, Published 2020, Q3- FI=1.619
- 3. Pacurar, R.; Berce, P.; Petrilak, A.; Neme, S. O.; Borzan, C., S.M.; Harnicárová, M.; Pacurar, A. Selective Laser Melting of PA 2200 for Hip Implant Applications: Finite Element Analysis, Process Optimization, and Morphological and Mechanical Characterization. Materials 2021, 14, 4240. https://doi.org/10.3390/ma14154240 (ISI-Q1, IF: 3,623)
- O. Jucan, R. Gadalean, H. Chicinas, M. Hering, N. Balc, C. Popa, "Study on the indirect selective laser sintering (SLS) of WC-Co/PA12 powders for the manufacturing of cemented carbide parts", International Journal of Refractory Metals and Hard Materials, Elsevier, Volume: 96, 2021, (ISI-Q1, FI: 3.407); https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijrmhm.2021.105498;
- 5. Cosma, C; Drstvensek, I; Berce, P; Prunean, S.; Legutko, S; Popa, C.; Balc, N; "Physical-Mechanical Characteristics and Microstructure of Ti6Al7Nb Lattice Structures Manufactured by Selective Laser Melting", MATERIALS, Volume: 13 Issue: 18, 2020. Article Number: 4123, DOI:10.3390/ma13184123,
- Perini, M; Bosetti, P; Balc, N," Additive manufacturing for repairing: from damage identification and modeling to DLD", Rapid Prototyping Journal, Publisher: Emerald Group Publishing LTD, UK, Volume: 26, Issue 5, ISSN: 1355-2546 / eISSN: 1758-7670, DOI: 10.1108/RPJ-03-2019-0090, Published 2020, Q1-FI: 3.937;
- Todea, M.; Vulpoi, A.; Popa, C.; Berce, P., et al., Effect of different surface treatments on bioactivity of porous titanium implants, JOURNAL OF MATERIALS SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY Volume: 35 Issue: 3 Pages: 418-426 Published: MAR 2019
- 8. Petru Berce, et. al., "Medical applications of Additive Manufacturing technologies", *Romanian Academy Publishing House*, Bucharest, 2015
- Leordean, Dan; Dudescu, Cristian; Marcu, Teodora; P. Berce et al "<u>Customized implants with specific properties</u>, <u>made by selective laser melting</u>" RAPID PROTOTYPING JOURNAL Volume: 21 Issue: 1 Pages: 98-104, Published: 2015
- Leordean, Dan; Radu, S. A.; Fratila, D.; P. Berce, "<u>Studies on design of customized orthopedic endoprostheses of titanium alloy manufactured by SLM"</u>, INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ADVANCED MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY Volume: 79 Issue: 5-8 Pages: 905-920 Published: JUL 2015
- Petru Berce, et.al., "Additive Manufacturing Technologies and their applications", Academy Publishing House, Bucharest, 2014.

International Patent: "Acting Device", registered in USA and Germany;

The offer addressed to the economic environment

Research & development	Develop new materials, suitable for Rapid Prototyping using the SLS and SLM equipment. Development of optimization algorithms. Design for Competitive Manufacturing of Industrial Products. Rapid Tooling and Additive Manufacturing Rapid Prototyping using the well known CNC machines, available within DME-TUCN. Researches concerning the technological processes optimization.
Consulting	External evaluation of products/projects; Select the optimal RP technological route; Consulting in the area of operational research (industrial application of combinatorial optimization: calculation of minimum path length, optimal nesting, flowshop scheduling etc.).
Training	We offer training in the field of Numerical Optimization Techniques in Computer Aided Design. Training for people from industry, in the following fields: Use modern CAD systems for integrated applied design; Rapid Tooling; Modern Manufacturing Technologies; Using the modern RP equipment; CNC machining; Metrology and Quality Engineering.

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