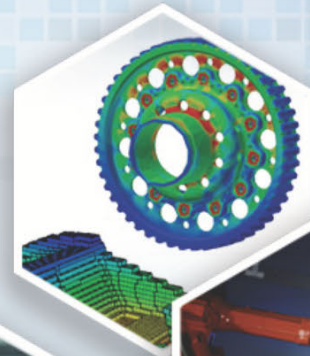


IACMI Facilities and Capabilities Update

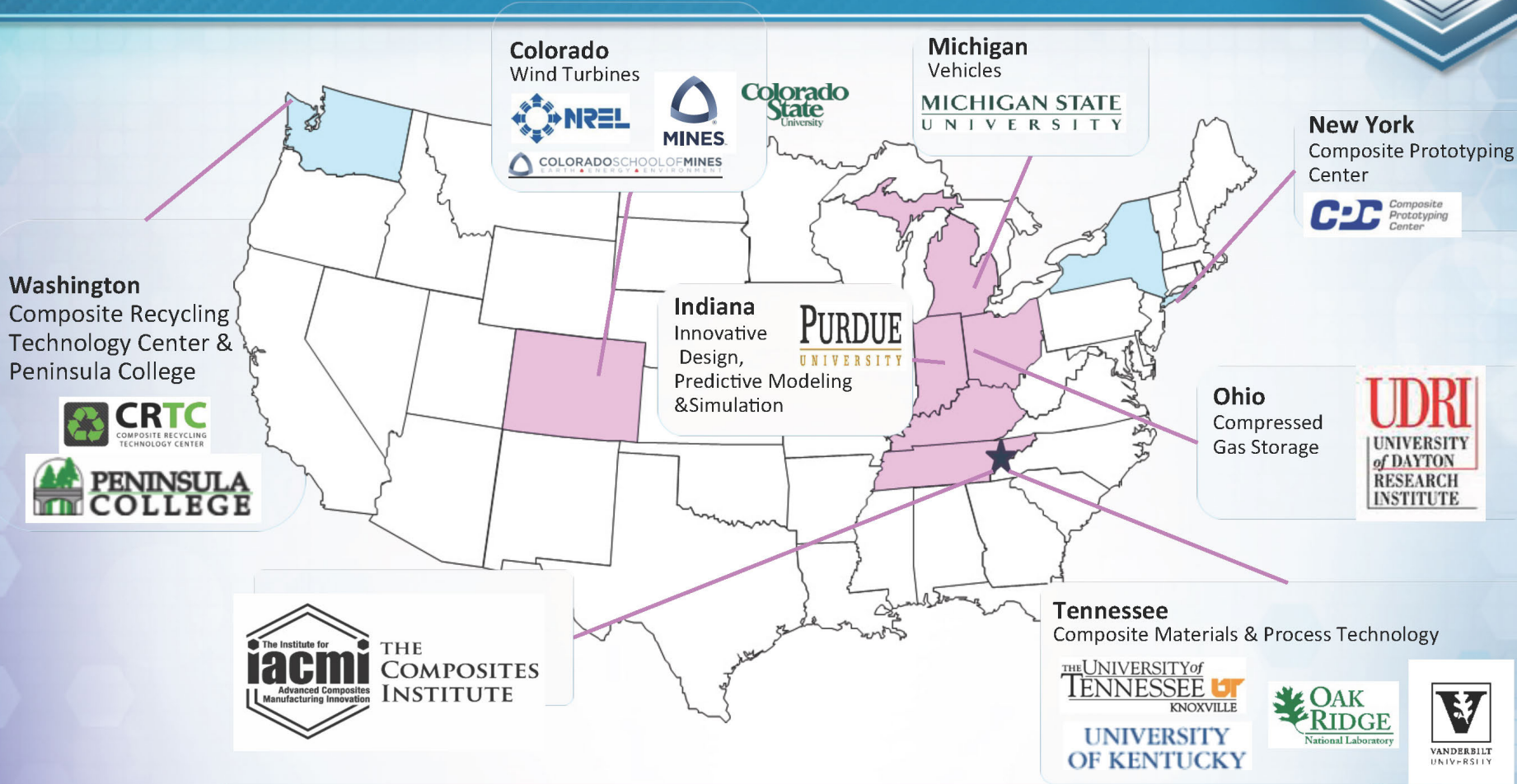
Uday Vaidya

Chief Technology Officer

January 17, 2018



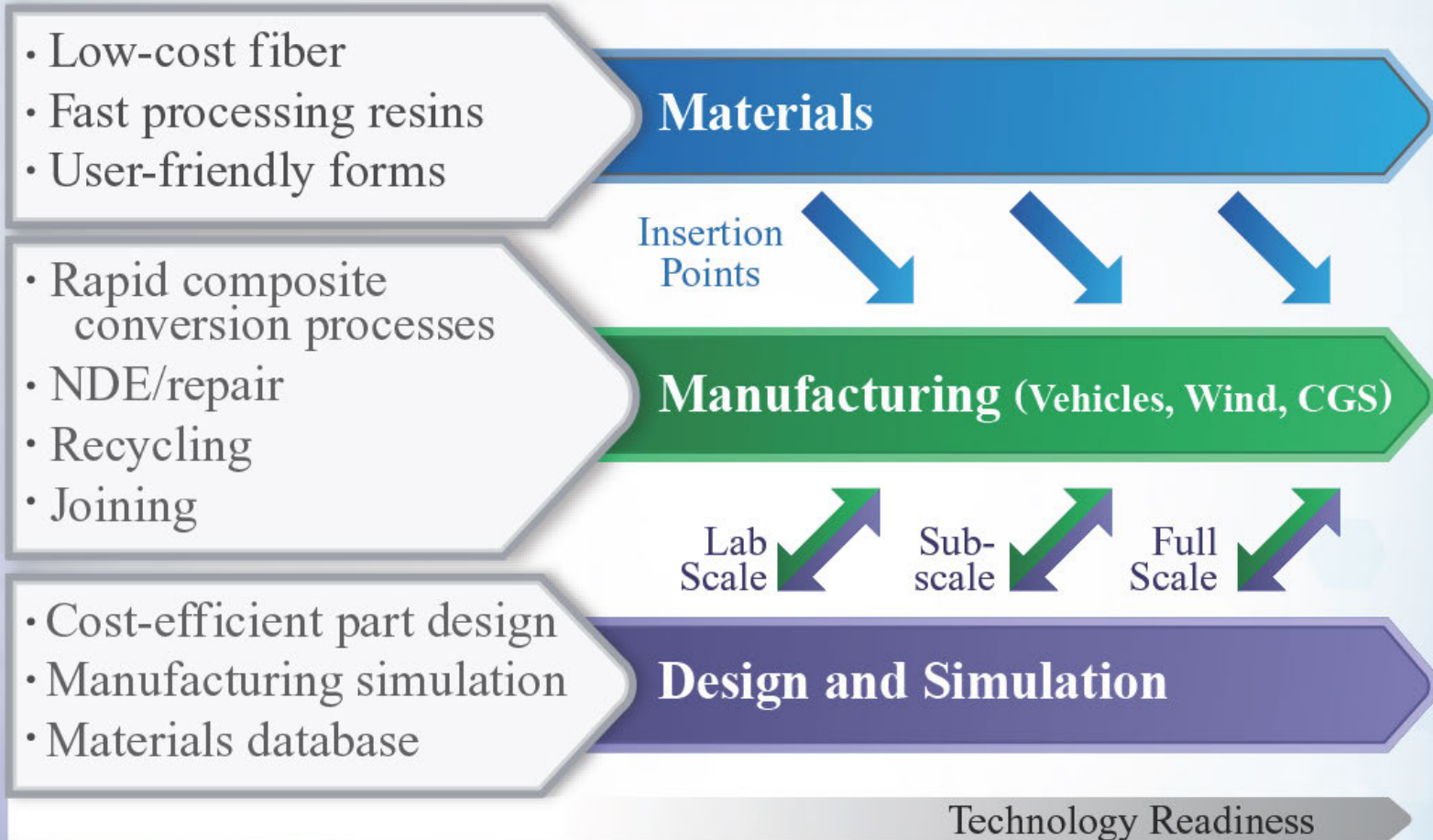
IACMI – A National Institute for Advanced Composites



Technical Goals:

- Lower carbon fiber–reinforced polymer (CFRP) cost
- Reduce CFRP embodied energy
- Improve composite recyclability into useful products

An Integrated Approach Is Required



Scale-up Across IACMI Core Partners



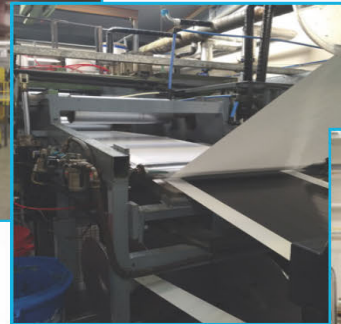
**Solution
spinning
line**

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**Carbon Fiber
Technology
Facility**

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**Pre-preg
production
pilot/full
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**Pilot-scale
PCM
750 ton
press**

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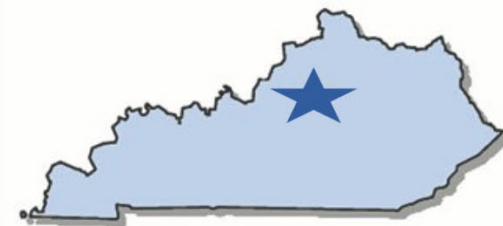


**Full Scale
PCM
4,000 ton
press**

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Composite Materials and Processes

Unique open-access carbon fiber processing capabilities



Melt spinning

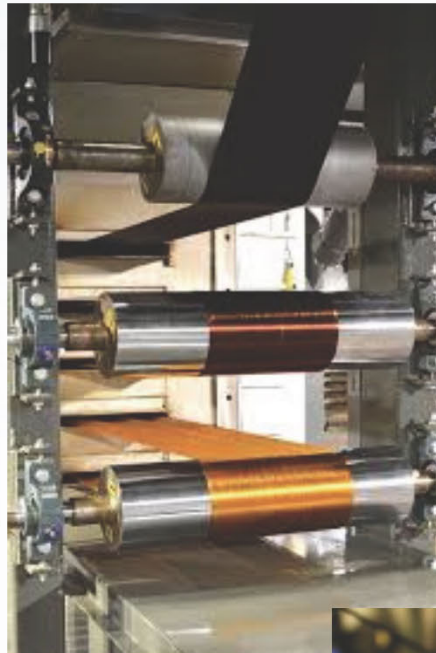


Bench and pilot scale heat treatment equipment



World's most flexible carbon fiber semi-production facility

Textile PAN based CF



IACMI partner, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, has demonstrated a production method estimated to reduce the cost of carbon fiber as much as 50% and the energy used in production by more than 60%.

IACMI generating properties on composites produced with textile PAN carbon fiber



Big Area Additive Manufacturing



Recent enhancements in physical scale, speed of production, and work in high temperature polymer composites, e.g. PPS/CF

IACMI Pultrusion Machine



Roving Creels

Mat Creels

Resin Impregnator

Surfacing Material

Preformer

Touch Screen Control

Forming & Curing Die

Reciprocating Pullers

Cut-off Saw

Guide

Strongwell PULSTAR 2408R

Overall Machine Footprint

48 ft (14.6m) X 52 in. (132 cm)

Profile Envelope

24 in. x 8 in. (610 mm x 203 mm)

Pull Force (Tandem)

32,000 lb (14,515 kg)

Pull Force (Continuous)

16,000 lb (7,257 kg)

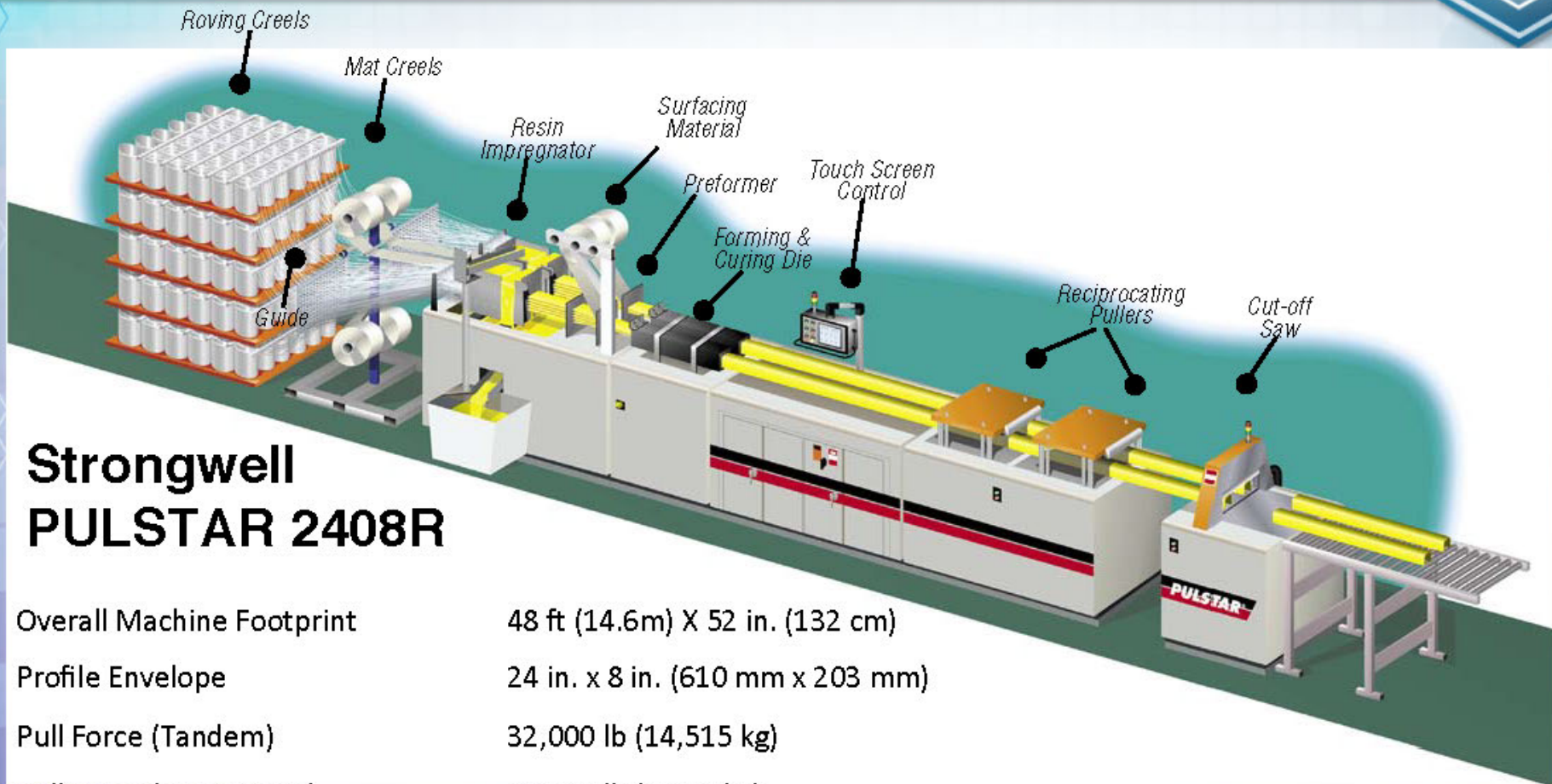
Clamp Force

24,000 lb (10,886 kg)

Speed Range

1-120 in./min (2-305 cm/min)

Source: Strongwell



IACMI Pultrusion Machine



Machine delivered to ORNL
Will be installed and mid 2018

RocTool Induction Heating / Fast cycle processing of thermoplastic composites (MDF) installed July 2017



Equipment specifications

- Induction generator DZ150KW
- Tactile interface – RT 21
- Closed cooling unit - R45 model
- Performance cooling
- RocTool Technology / Tool Hardware

IACMI projects

Compression molding

Class A surface finish

Fast cycle time in recycled and virgin carbon fiber thermoplastic mats

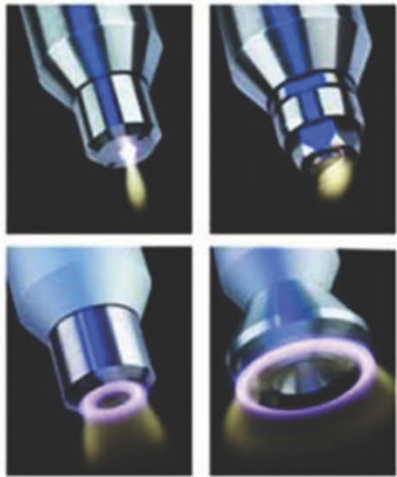
Evaluation of range of material forms and resin for processing-quality-cycle times



Representative System and parts



Plasmatreat unit at MDF (Jet - RD1004 / Generator - FG5001 / Transformer - HTR1233) - MDF



Resource Member

Enabling plasma treatment for surface enhancement

Tennessee (in place) and Michigan (planned)



Plasmatreat unit at MDF

- State-of-the-art FG5001 Plasma Generator
- Cleaning, etching, polymerization, surface activation and increased manufacturability.
- Bonding enhancement of low surface energy substrates
- Fiber treatment
- Surface and Interface enhancement
- Overmolding/tape bonding
- Multi-material joining
- Additive manufacturing layer by layer
- Product development

Recycling Shredder (UTK)

MS-1714 Dual Shaft Shear Shredder

- Feed Chamber Opening: 17" x 14"
- Discharge Opening: 17" x 14"
- Infeed Hopper: Open Top: ½ Cubic Yard
- Diameter of Shredding Knives: 7-1/2" Thickness of Knives: 5/8"
- Motor: 15HP, 1800RPM Voltage: 480/3/60



IACMI projects

- Shredding aerospace end of life parts
- Recycling thermoset cured resins and composites
- Glass and carbon fiber thermoplastic shreds
- Reprocessing in extrusion-compression, injection-compression and other downstream processes



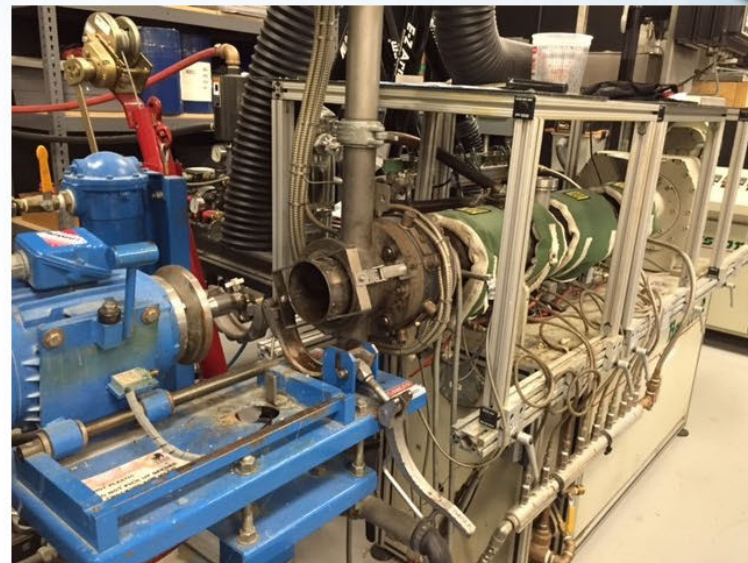
Multiphase Compounding – Pelletizing Line (UTK)

Specifications

- Berstorff Model ZE25x30D Gala Pelletizing Line
- Complete Lab Size Under Water Pelletizing Line
- Screw size – 25 mm
- L/D ratio- 30:1
- 15 HP, Gear Box Ratio 4:1

IACMI Use/projects

- Compounding of LCCF and other fibers with a range of olefin and engineered resins
- Multiphase – syntactic foams and color compounds
- Production of noodles, pellets and tapes
- Feedstock for multiple processes



Sheet molding compound (SMC) line

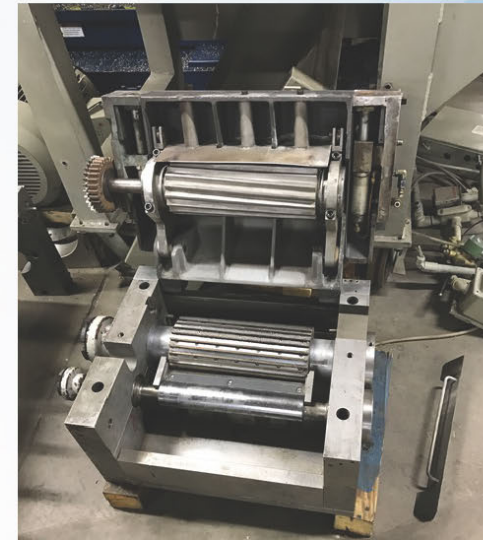
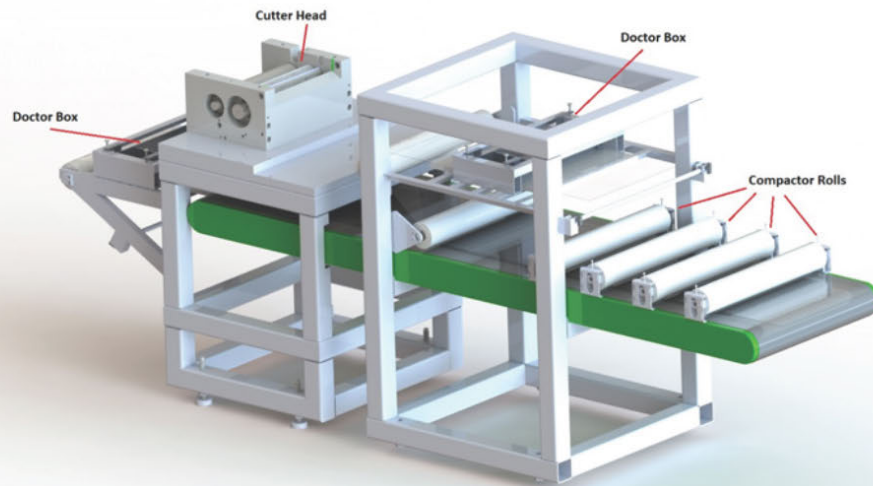
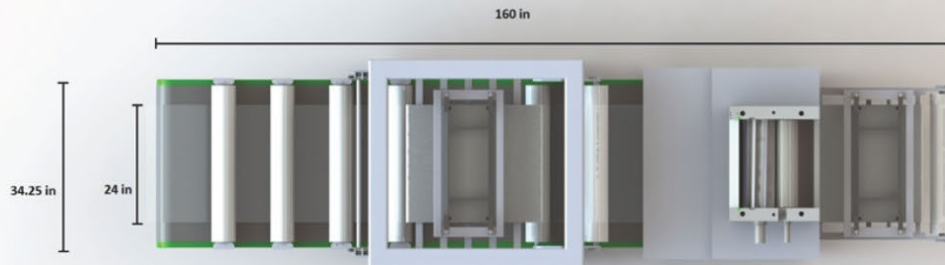


Illustration of cutting head
of the SMC line

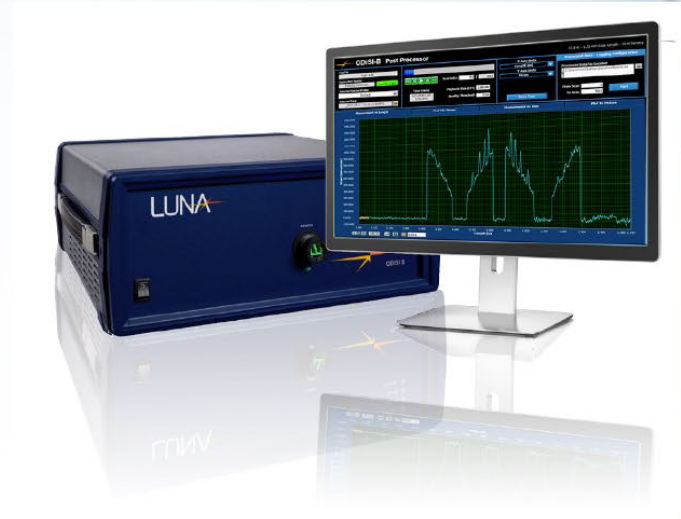


- Custom line (at UT early 2018)
- Produce up to 18" wide SMC
- Glass, carbon, basalt SMC
- For use in multiple IACMI projects
- Materials collaboration with industry partners

Upgrade of LUNA Fiber Optic Strain and Temperature Sensing (ODiSI-B 5.0) System

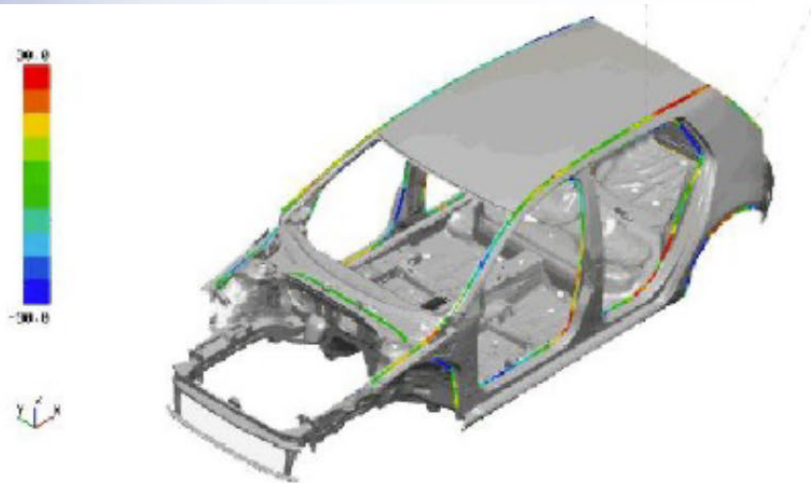


- **OPT06003 Full SW & HW upgrade -** includes ver 5.0.0 and upgrade to electronics, optical network, new standoff, High Definition sensing upgrade, system alignment and test. High-Speed CFG option.
- **FBI Gauge 3D Visualization Software** Package Acquisition



ODiSI - Key Benefits

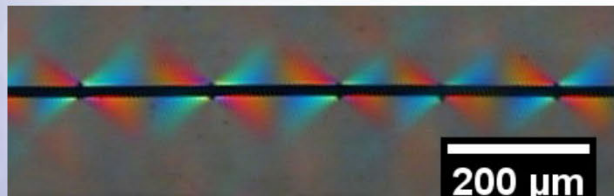
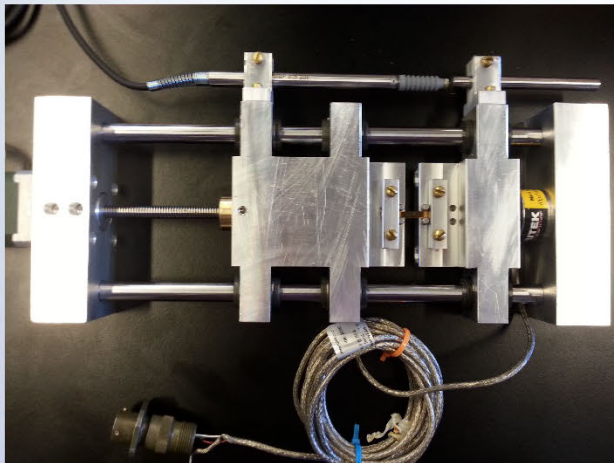
- High definition sensing offers unprecedented visibility into a design's structural performance
- Low profile and flexible sensors ideal for embedding within composite structures and measuring strain on curved surfaces
- Corrosion resistant, dielectric, and immune to EMI/RFI
- An ideal tool for validating FE models of composite structures



Integrated Load Frame and Olympus BX53 Reflected/Transmitted Light Microscope



IACMI Use/projects: Interfacial Shear Strength for Optimizing Carbon Fiber Surface/Interphase with Matrix Resin



Polarized light images in transmission mode of a fragmented single T700 carbon fiber in an epoxy composite

BX53

A Great Solution for System Flexibility with Comfortable Operability

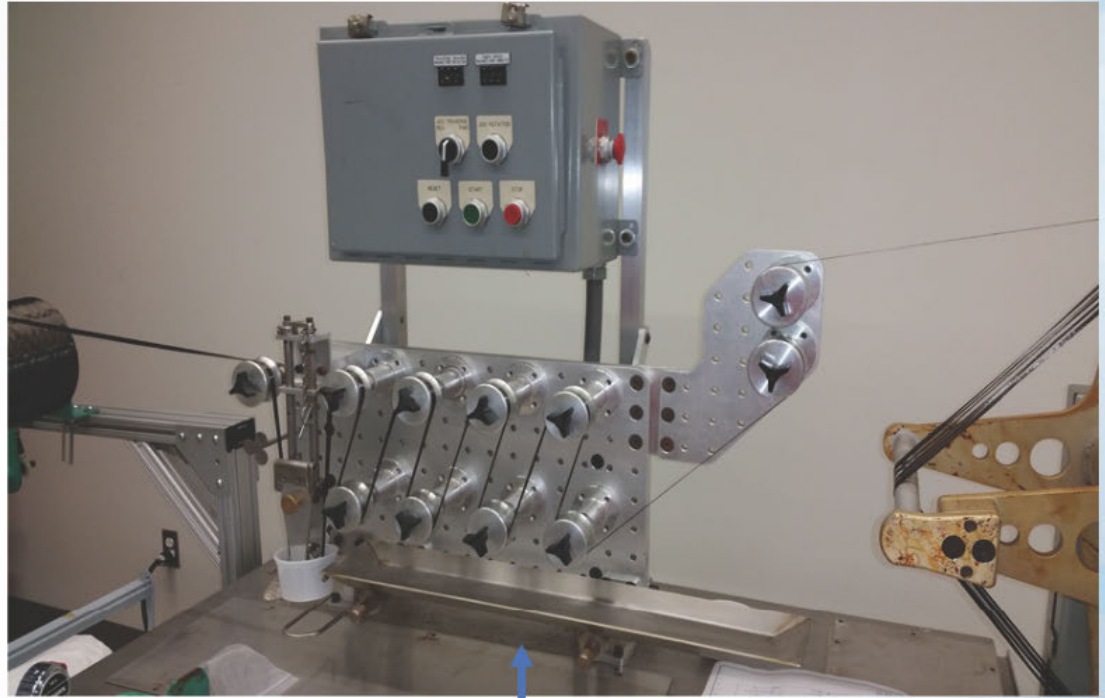
The BX53 is a versatile system microscope that can be configured to meet virtually any research need. It supports a wide range of fluorescence imaging applications, and has a range of advanced features for enhanced operating ease and process flexibility.



UTK : Lab Scale Flexible Automated Infused Tow and Pre-Preg Manufacturing

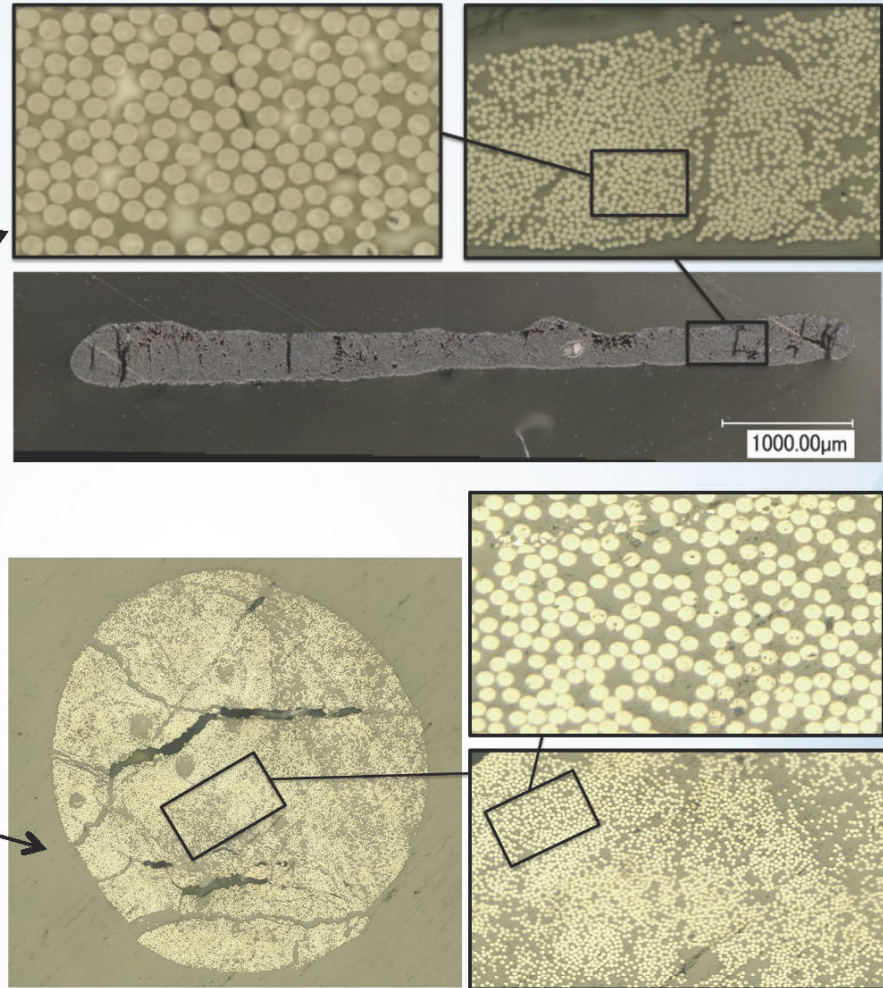


Manual Method



Automated Method

**Example
Microstructure from
Automated
Carbon Fiber Tow
Manufacturing
(UTK) VS
Manual Tow
Manufacturing
Approach (CFTF)**

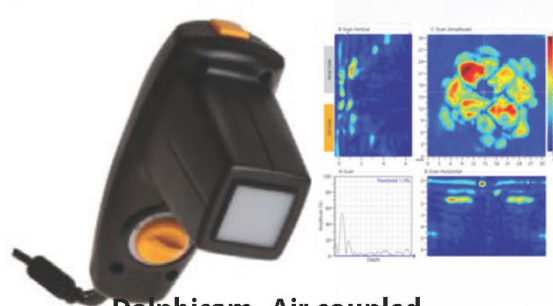
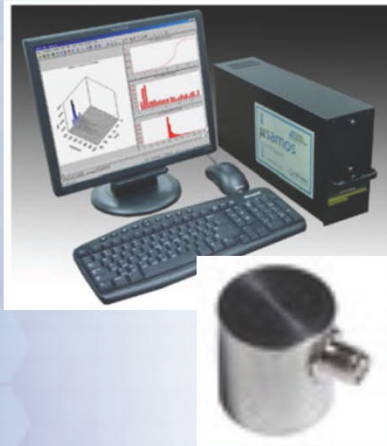


Mobile NDE Lab Technologies

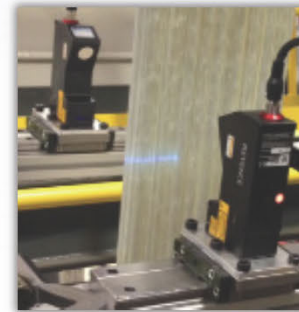


Flaw detection in composites

Mistras Acoustic Emission System 01/2017



Dolphicam- Air coupled active in-line ultrasonic NDE 09/2016



Keyence Laser Profilometer 08/2015

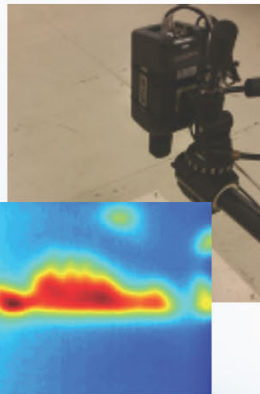


Keyence Laser-Displacement Sensors 08/2015

Cure Monitoring for Composites



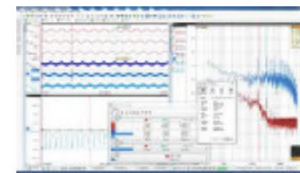
Olympus EPOCH 650 Portable Ultrasonic NDE Systems 01/2017



FLIR High Resolution IR Camera 03/2016



HBM 100 Ms/Sec High Speed Data Acq. System 04/2016



National Instruments PXI 16 bit, 4 MHz signal driver 12/2016

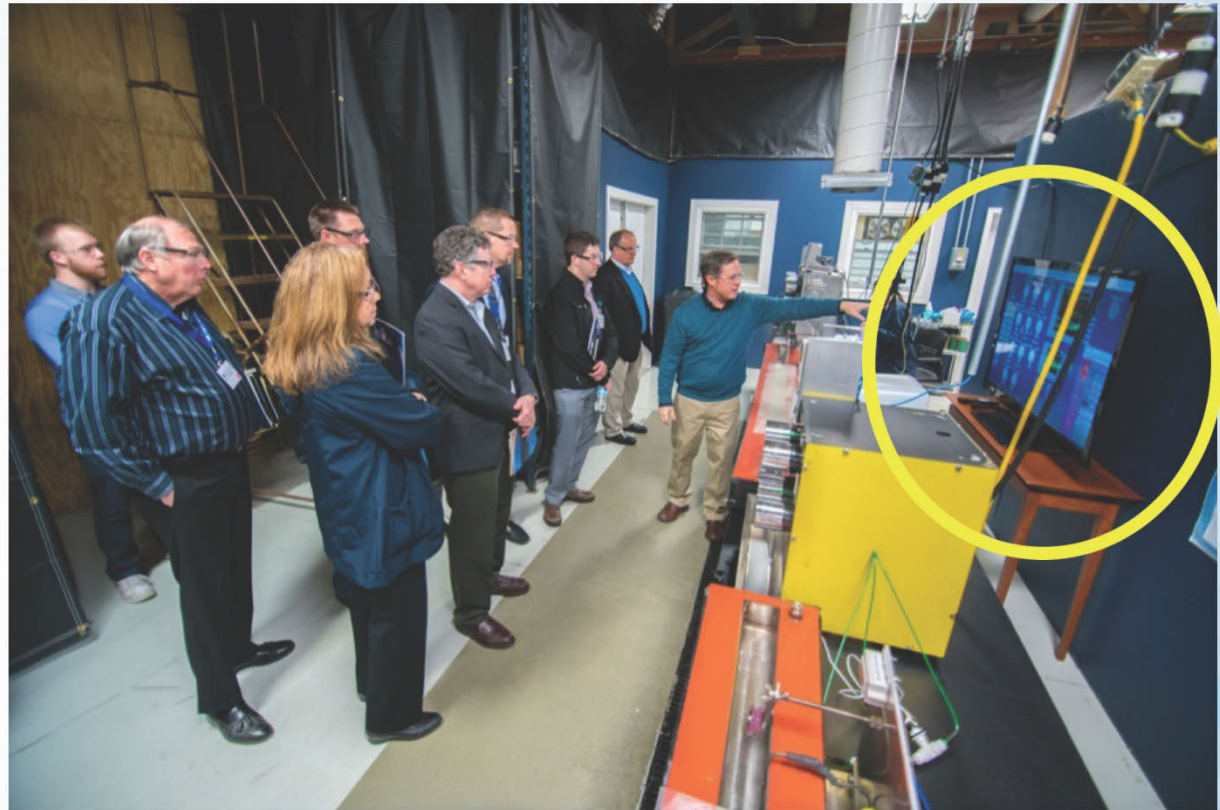
UKY CAER solution spinning line for multifilament continuous tow



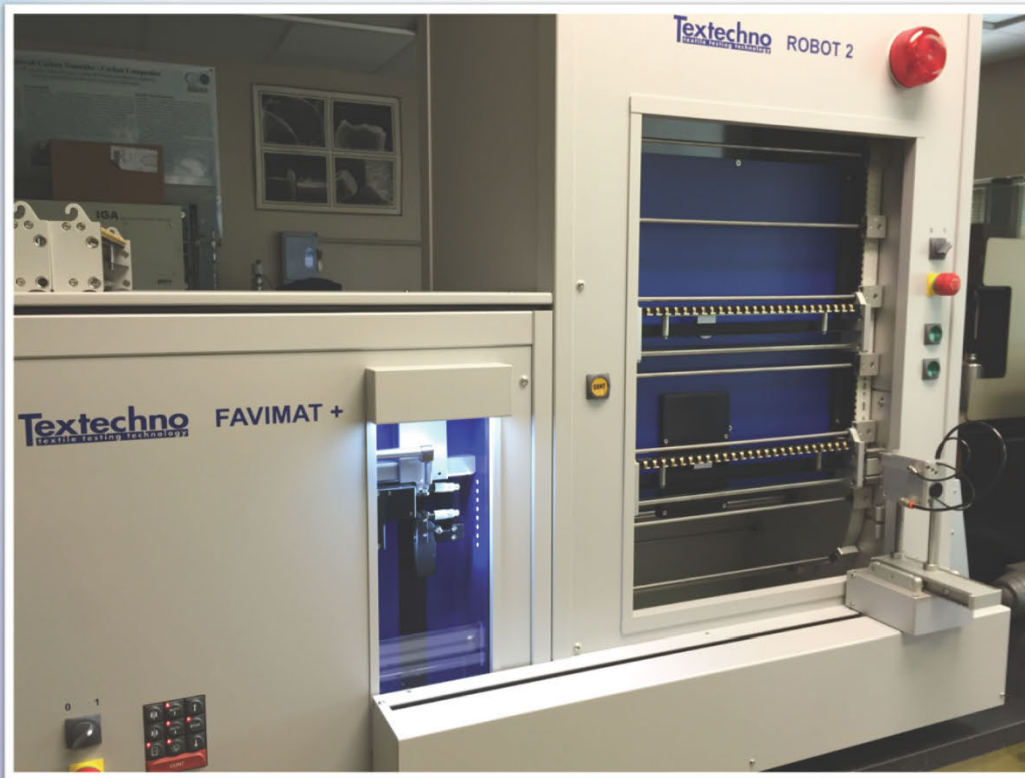
Heads UP, Real-Time Spinning Data Acquisition and Logging



- ◆ Polymer dope
 - ◆ Flow rate
 - ◆ Amount remaining
 - ◆ Temperature
- ◆ Filtration pressure drop
 - ◆ Temperature
- ◆ Spinneret pressure drop
 - ◆ Temperature
- ◆ Tow tension down the line
- ◆ Godet drive linear speeds
 - ◆ Tow draw ratios

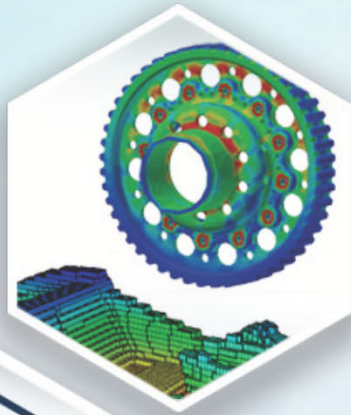


Robotic Single Filament Tensile Testing and Linear Density



- ◆ FAVIMAT +
- ◆ Vastly increases single filament testing efficiency
- ◆ 100s of filaments per sample

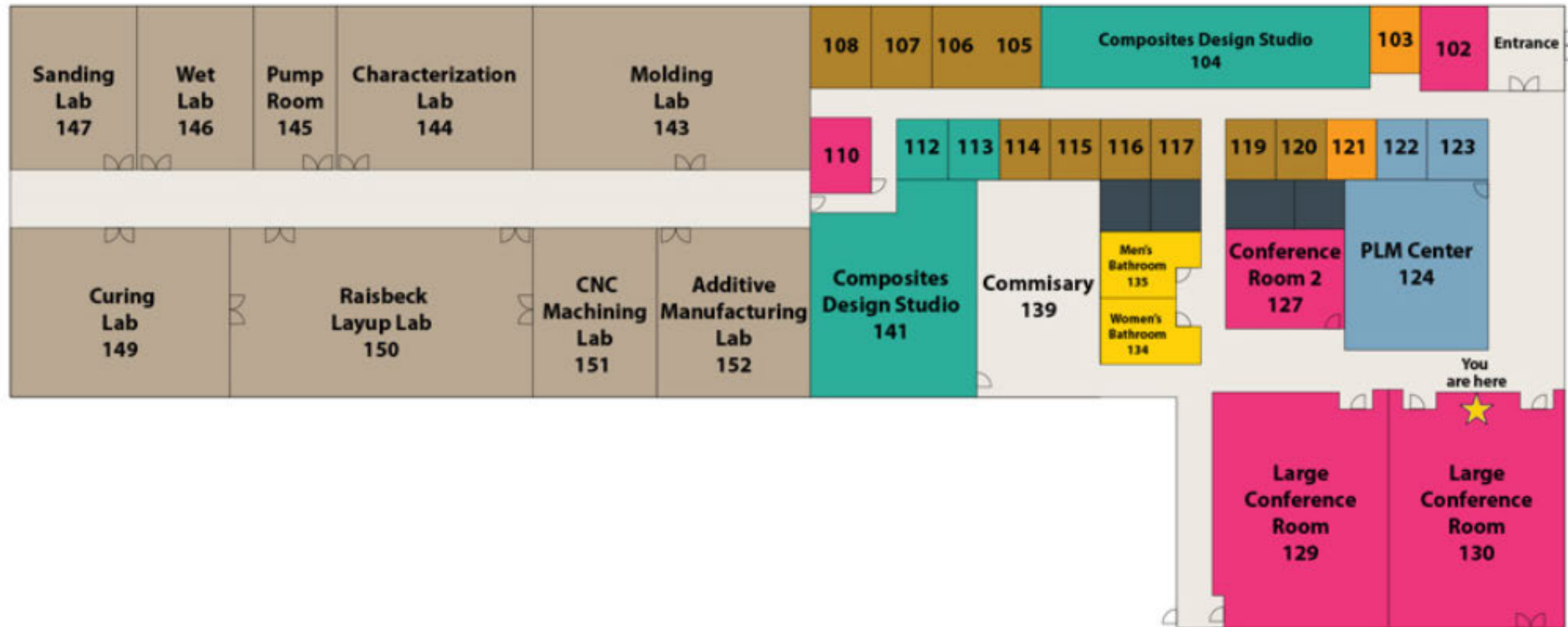
Design Modeling and Simulation



Indiana Manufacturing Institute



IMI Labs, Offices, and Conference Rooms



Simulation Software



Integration of many major commercial simulation tools



PAM-FORM
PAM-RTM
PAM-DISTORT
PAM-CRASH



CATIA
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BIOVIA
ENOVIA
DELMIA



HYPERWORKS
MDS



SwiftComp
VABS

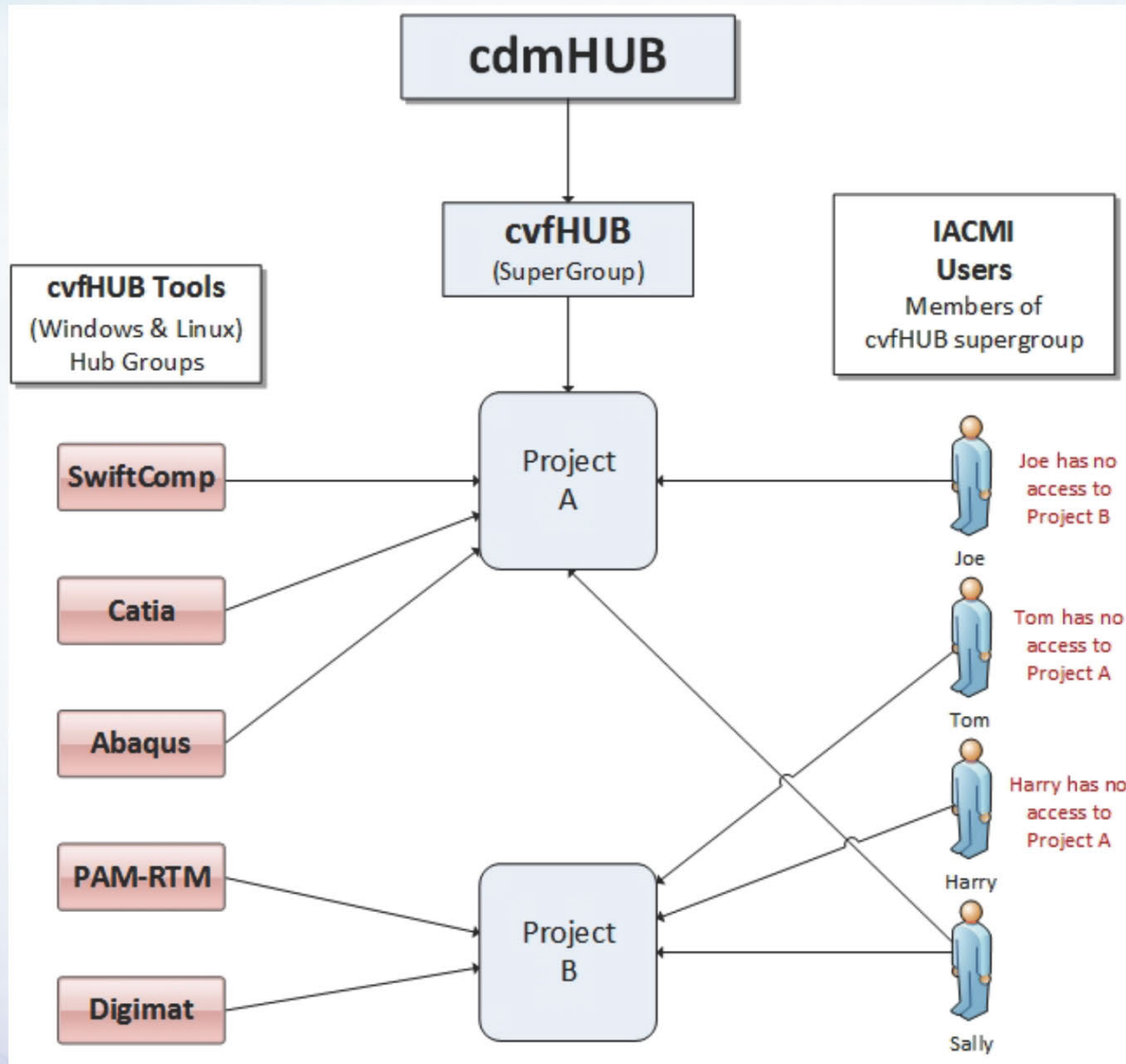


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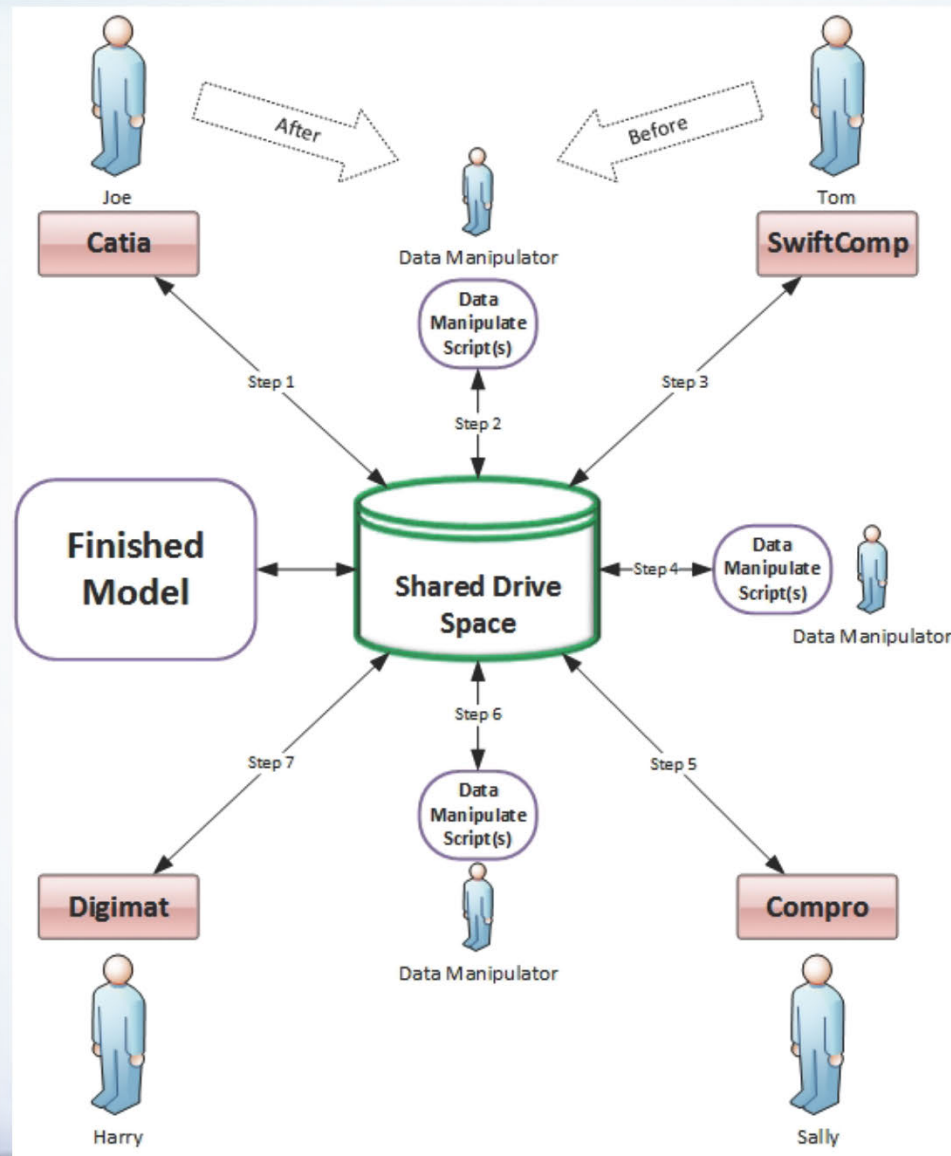


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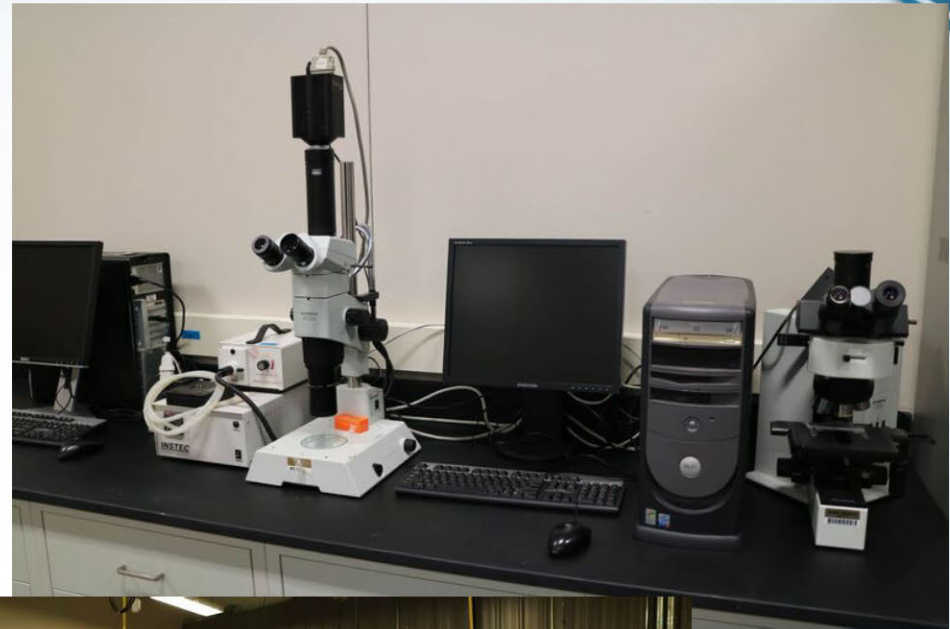
Project team member access on cvfHUB



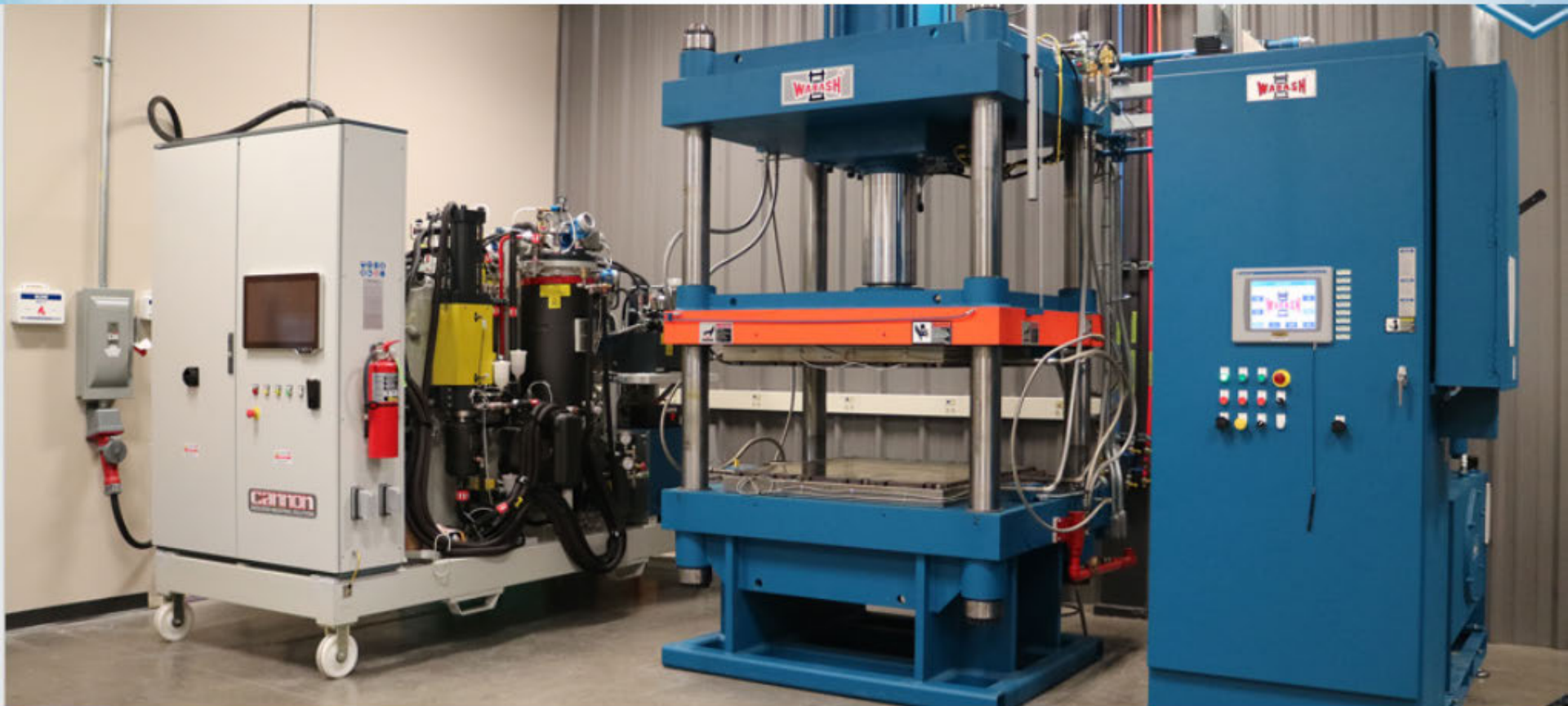
Project collaboration on cvfHUB



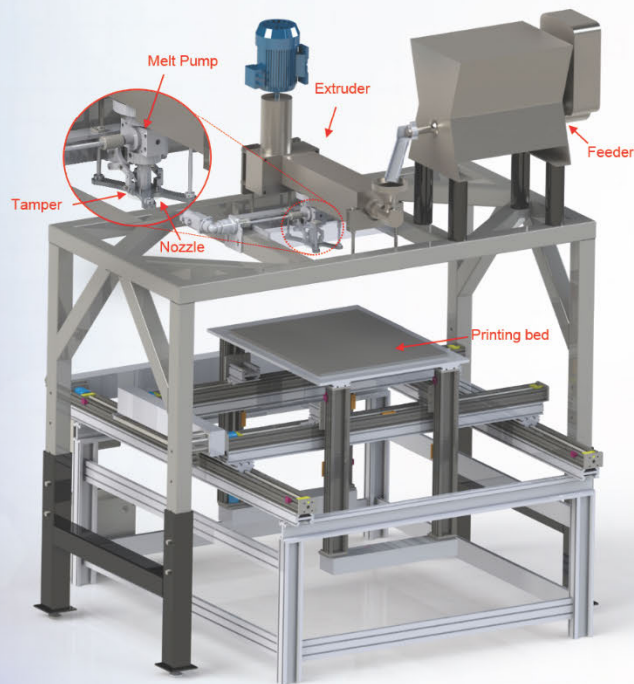
Validation Labs



Compression Molding and HPRTM



Additive Manufacturing



Composites Molding Tools Printed

50% Carbon Fiber/PPS



Thermoforming Tool



Compression Molding Pin Bracket Tool

LSAM Access



- Large Scale Additive Manufacturing (LSAM) machine
- Combines polymer FDM with machining in same cell
- 10 ft x 10 ft working envelope
- Purdue can create print program and Thermwood will print at their facility in Dale, IN as contributed cost share



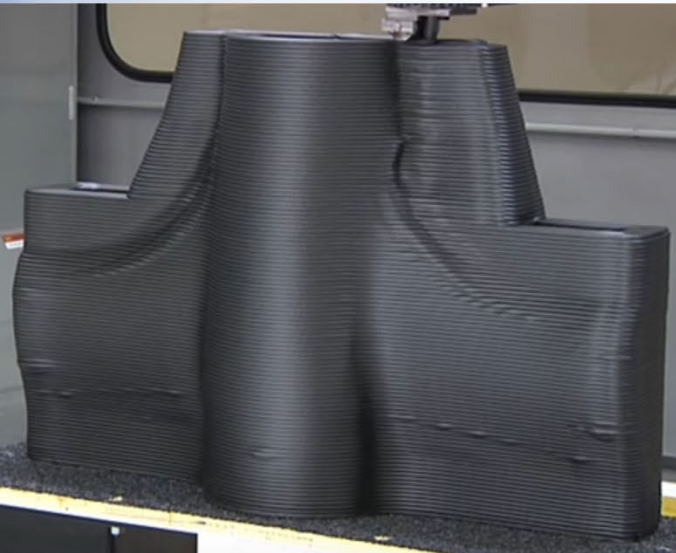
LSAM
Large Scale Additive Manufacturing

THERMWOOD

PURDUE
UNIVERSITY

Example Application

Print

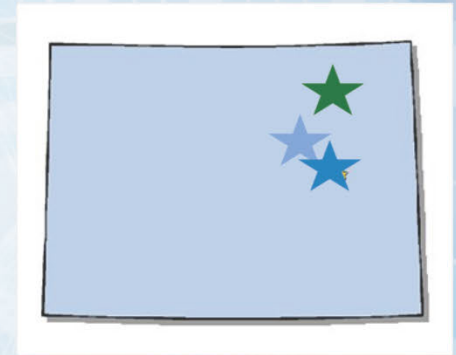


Machine



Finish





Wind Turbines



IACMI Wind TA Composites Manufacturing and Education Technology (CoMET) Facility



- Manufacturing space focused on composite manufacturing innovation
- 55' x 200' – 10,000 sq. ft.
- Adjacent to blade test facility
- Full-scale blade component manufacturing



Infrastructure upgrades



Fabric rack and cutting tables



Electrical – 208V, 240V, 480V

Dual Crane System

- ◆ Two crane system permits handling of long parts like blades and tools
- ◆ 2 x 10 ton capacity
- ◆ Rails run length of facility



MVP Automated Dispensing Machine

- ◆ MVP automated mixing and dispensing machine
- ◆ Designed for use with polyesters, vinyl esters and ELIUM® thermoplastic



Graco Automated Dispensing Machine

- ◆ Graco automated mixing and dispensing machine
- ◆ Designed for use with epoxy infusion systems



Large Capacity Vacuum Pump

- ◆ Multiple station valves enable up to eight individual vacuum sources for larger infusions

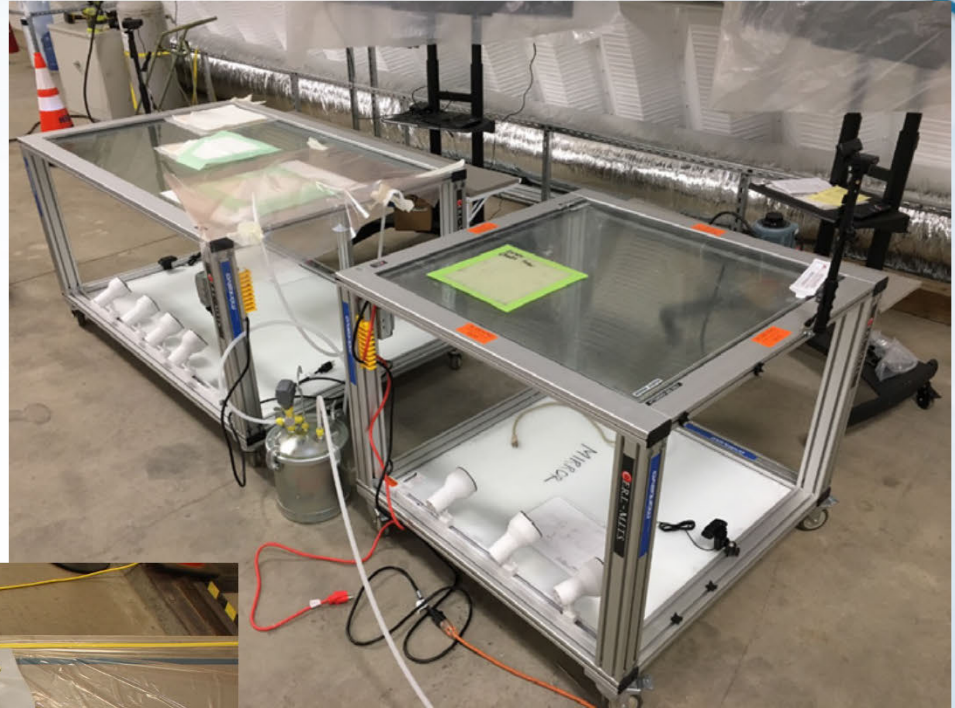


Pump Courtesy DowAksa

Glass molding tables

- ◆ Glass tables enable two side observation of infusion flow
- ◆ Smaller of the two tables is heated to study effects of temperature

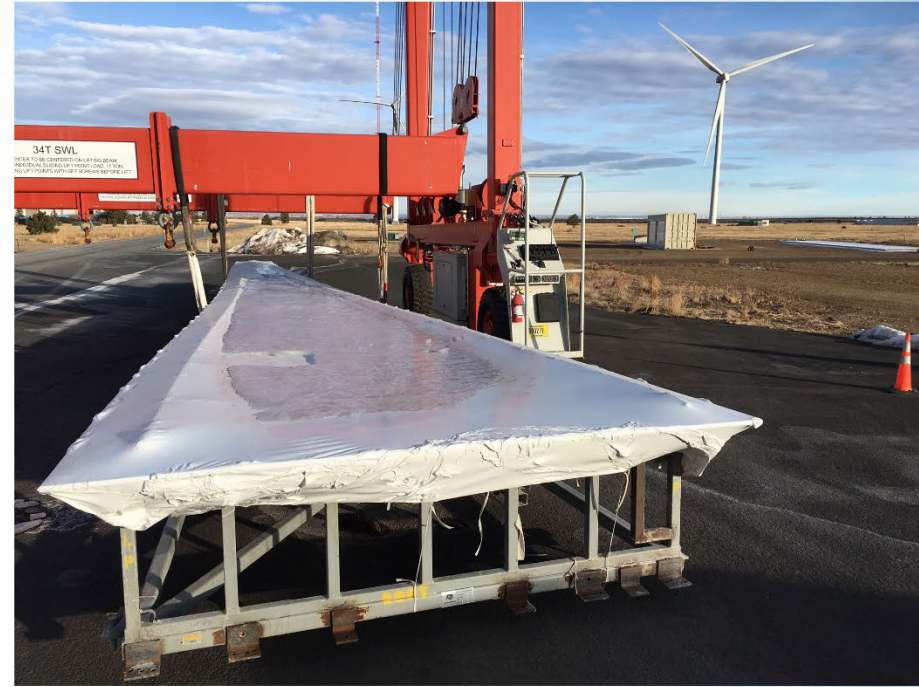
Heater blankets with 77C capability



Wind Blade Tooling



48.7m blade tip mold
Courtesy GE



48.7m shear web mold
Courtesy GE

Wind Blade Tooling



9m BSDS blade components
Courtesy TPI Composites



Portion of 45m spar cap infusion mold
Courtesy DowAksa

IACMI 9m Demonstration Blade



Blade Dimensions:

Length:	8.325 m	[27'-3.75"]
Root Diameter:	0.535 m	[21.05"]
Max Chord:	0.789 m	[31.06"]
Root Laminate Thickness:	32.25 mm	[1.27"]

Blade Weight and Center of Gravity

Weight:	116.82 kg	[257 lbs]
Spanwise CG	2.197 m	[7'-2.5"]





Compressed Gas Storage

Composites Manufacturing at UDRI

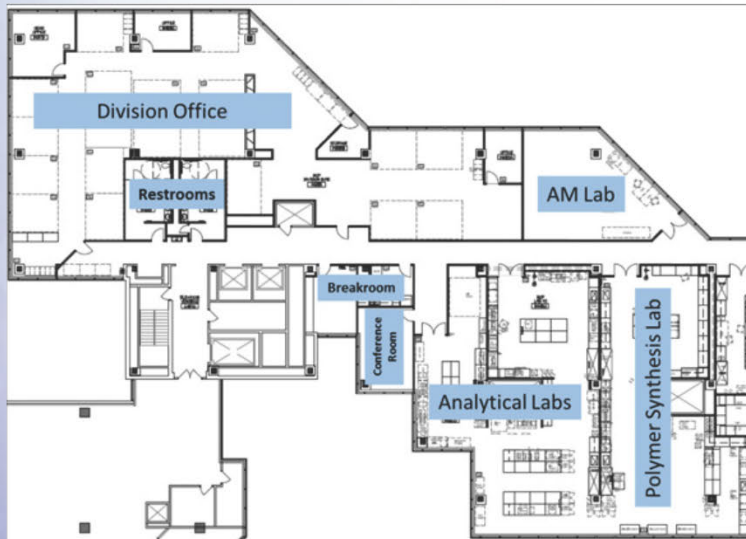
- 12" PREPREGGER
- 3 AUTOCLAVES
- 7 HYDRAULIC PRESSES
- RTM
- VARTM
- FILAMENT WINDING
- PULTRUSION
- INJECTION MOLDING
- 60" TACKIFIER
- 3D PRINTERS
- HAND LAY-UP
- RESIN FILM INFUSION
- LARGE OVENS



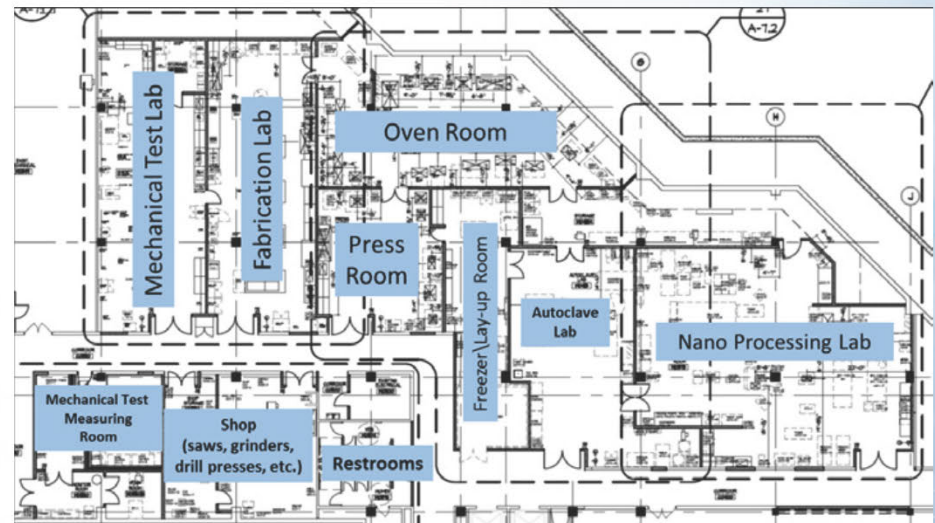
UDRI Facility



MCP 4th Floor Labs and Office ~13,000 square feet



MCP Basement Labs ~13,000 square feet



UDRI Facility



Analytical Lab



Environmental Conditioning Lab



UDRI Facility



Film Line



Hot Press Lab

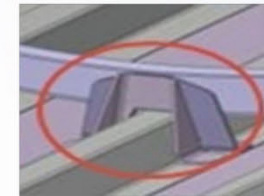
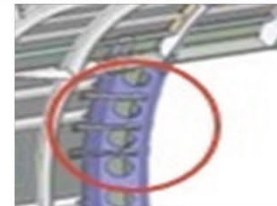


Net shape preforming



Complex shaped CFRP parts:

- load detour
- load introduction
- stiffening function



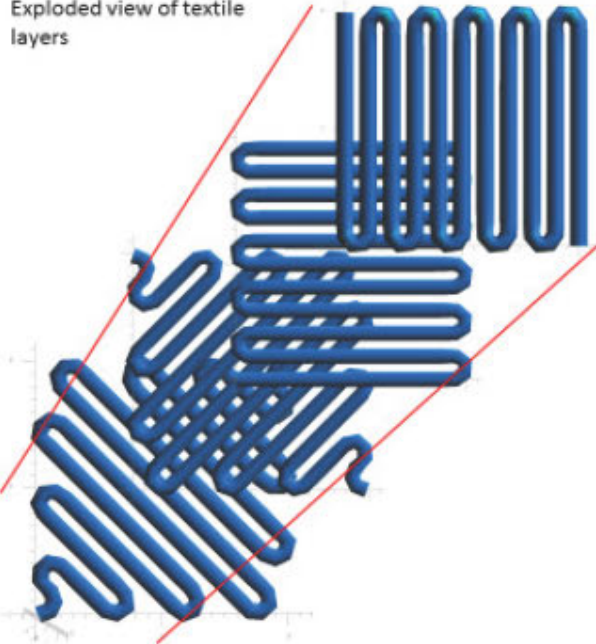
Potential applications:

- Cleats, clips, brackets
- Window frames
- Frame elements

Net Shape Preforming

Simulation and fabrication of quasi-isotropic preform

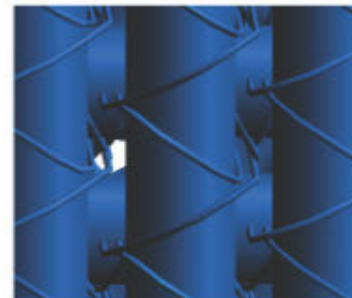
Exploded view of textile layers



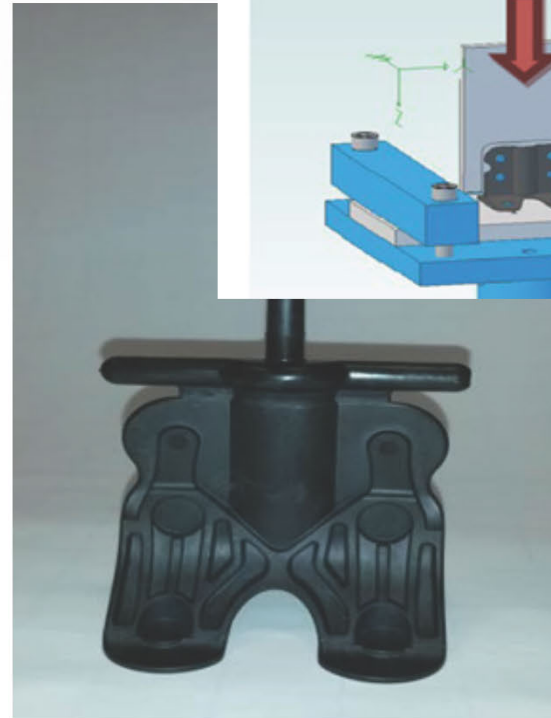
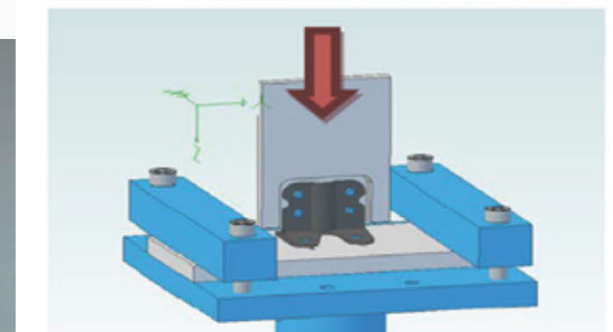
Back Side – Quasi-Isotropic Laystitch preform.
Differential amount of stitching is an artifact of the number of layers printed to show the quasi-isotropic nature of the preform.



Front Side – Quasi-Isotropic Laystitch preform (0, +/- 45, 90 Degree Layers all visible).



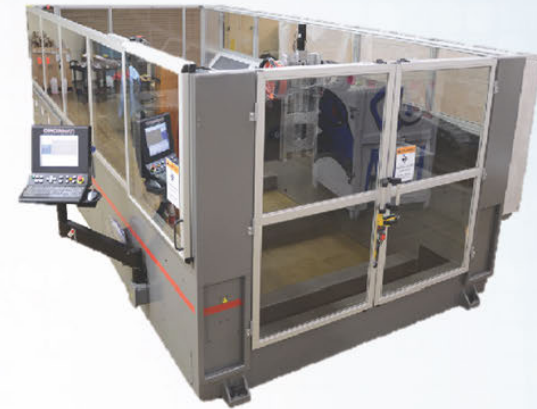
UDRI Facility – Injection Over Molding

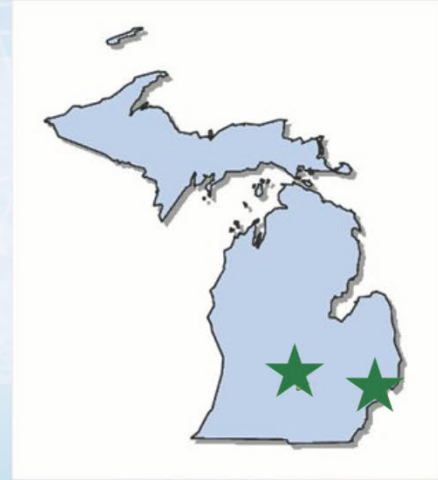


High Temperature Tooling by Additive Manufacturing



- Collaborative effort with Cincinnati, Inc (1 hour from UDRI)
- Focus on single sided tooling capable of 350F and 100 psi cure (autoclave, Rapidclave, e.g.)
- Focus material is specially formulated carbon fiber filled polysulfone. Other materials, such as PPS and PEI have also been trialed.





Vehicles

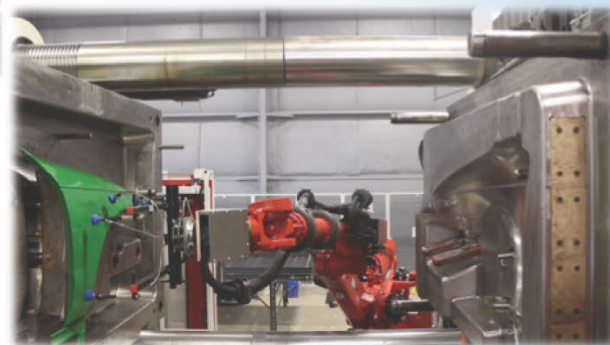
- Vehicles Technology Area includes two locations
- Michigan State University
 - East Lansing
 - Detroit (“Corktown”)



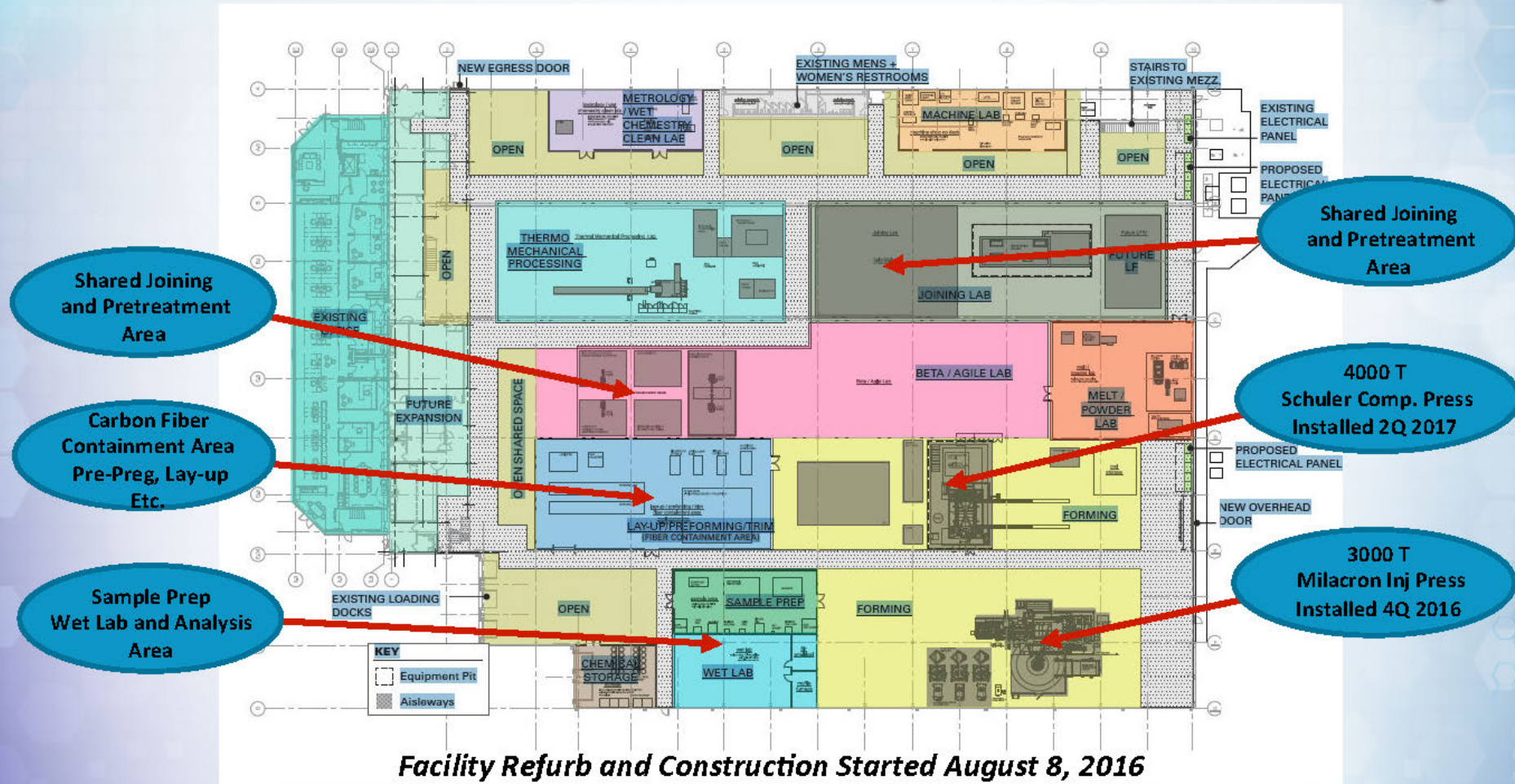
National Capabilities-Michigan Vehicle Scale Up Facility in Corktown, Detroit



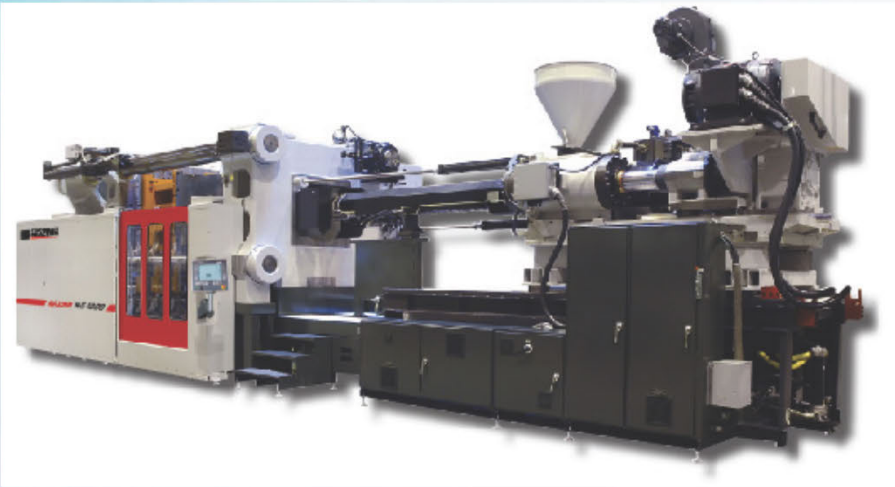
- Co-located with LIFT, 9300 m² total
- Capitalization underway >\$15M
- Construction complete
- Equipment coming online



IACMI/LIFT VTA-SUF Facility Layout



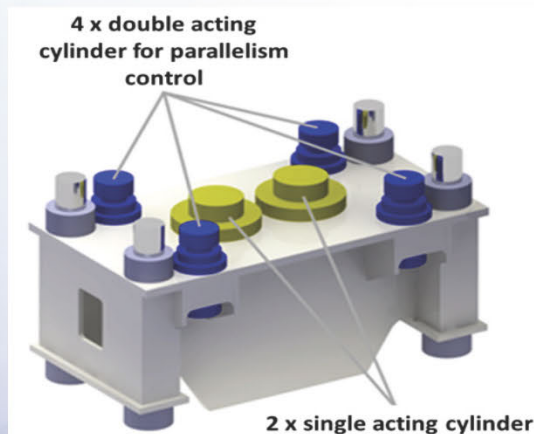
Injection molding press



- ◆ Built by Milacron
- ◆ Specifications
 - ◆ 29,500kN (3,315T)
 - ◆ Platen: 3m x 2.5m (~10ft x 8ft)
 - ◆ 413 oz. max shot size (multiple screw sizes)
- ◆ Operational since February 2017



Compression press



- ◆ Manufactured by Schuler
- ◆ Short-stroke design
- ◆ Multi-process capable
 - ◆ “Closed mold” infusion
 - ◆ Compression molding
 - ◆ Thermoplastic forming, etc.
- ◆ Specifications
 - ◆ 36,000kN (4,000T)
 - ◆ Platen: 3.6m x 2.4m (~12ft x 8ft)
- ◆ Operational since October 2017

Compression press



Laboratories

- Analytical-wet lab & sample prep (340 m²)
 - Material preparation (e.g., mixing)
 - Materials Characterization
 - FTIR, DSC/DMA, Microscopy, etc
 - Trimming, cutting, grinding, etc.
- Controlled process lab (450 m²)
 - Temperature & humidity controlled
 - Negative pressure & filtered return (carbon containment)
 - Space for pre-preg & tape lay-up lines



12" prepreg line



Resin mixing unit for HPRTM and wet pressing

- Ordered from Hennecke
- Capable of processing epoxies and polyurethane systems
- High pressure (120 bar) capability
- Arrives late January
- In operation March 2018



Consigned Equipment



Plasma cleaning & coating
(2 systems via LIFT)



Systems for rapid
(induction) heat-cool for
injection & compression
molding



Tools currently available for project use

Saturn Fender



Tonneau cover (inner & outer)
Ford Sport Trac



Chevy Volt Battery Box





Technology Partner Facilities

Composite Prototyping Center

Composite Recycling Technology Center

Composite Prototyping Center



- Composite Prototyping Center
- Plainfield, NY (Long Island)



CPC Manufacturing Floor



CPC supports the following processes & functions:

Automated Fiber Placement

RTM / VaRTM

5 Axis CNC Routing Cell

Autoclaves , Ovens

Compression Molding, Heated Press

Hand Lay-Up with Laser projection assisted templates and kitting capabilities

Clean Room (Class 100,000)

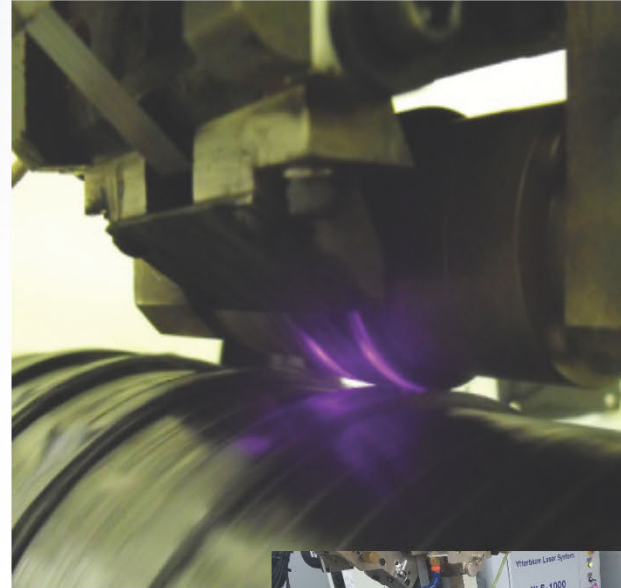
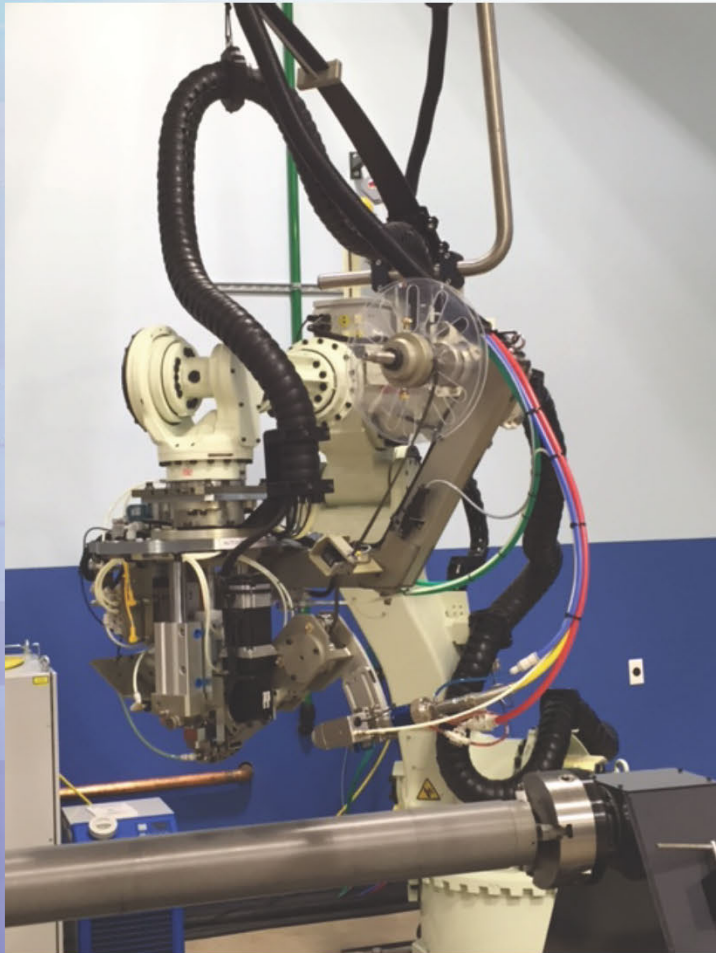
Single Ply Cutting System with nesting s/w

Test and inspection – NDT and CMM tools and instruments

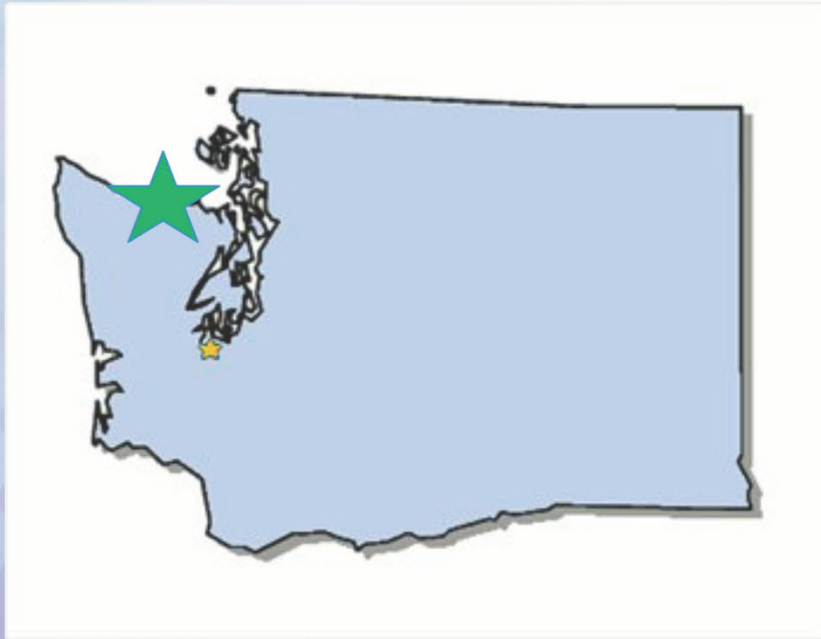
3D Printer

Walk-in Freezer

Laser Consolidation Fiber Placement

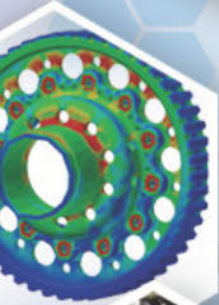


Composites Recycling Technology Center



- ◆ CRTC, located in Port Angeles, Washington
- ◆ Objective to recycle scrap prepreg into useful parts
- ◆ Initial operations commenced





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