

The A2M2TECH project concluded its major training and dissemination activities with the **Industrial Training and Final Conference**, bringing together researchers, supervisors, and international experts to discuss scientific achievements and future career pathways in advanced manufacturing.

A2M2TECH Industrial Training and Final Conference

The **A2M2TECH Industrial Training and Final Conference** was successfully held in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, bringing together Early Stage Researchers (ESRs), project managers, supervisors, and invited experts from academia, industry, and funding organizations.

The conference served as a platform for ESRs to present the outcomes of their doctoral research conducted within the A2M2TECH project. During the scientific sessions, the ESRs shared their research progress, published results, and ongoing studies in the fields of **advanced materials and advanced manufacturing technologies**, demonstrating the interdisciplinary scope of the project.

A central component of the conference was the **Keynote Speakers Day**, organized under the theme *“After the PhD: Career Pathways in Academia and Industry.”* Distinguished speakers from industry, academia, and national funding bodies shared their experiences and perspectives on research careers, technological innovation, and opportunities for doctoral researchers.

The keynote speakers included:

- **Prof. Dr. Mahmut Akşit** – TUSAŞ Engine Industries Inc. (TEI)
- **Prof. Dr. İlkkay Yavrucuk** – Technical University of Munich
- **Mr. Lars Langhans** – FIT Additive Manufacturing Group
- **Mr. Aleksander Wasiukiewicz** – 3D Lab Company
- **Mr. İlgin Biriz Yaşar** – TÜBİTAK

Their presentations provided valuable insights into **career development after the PhD, industrial innovation, academic pathways, and international research opportunities**. In addition to the keynote talks, ESRs had the opportunity to engage in one-to-one discussions with the speakers and supervisors, receiving guidance on their future professional directions.

The conference concluded with a gala dinner that further strengthened collaboration and networking among the A2M2TECH community.

Overall, the Final Conference marked an important milestone for the A2M2TECH project, highlighting the scientific achievements of the ESRs and reinforcing the project's mission to train highly skilled researchers capable of contributing to innovation in **advanced materials and advanced manufacturing technologies**.











Overview

Measurement Techniques: Capabilities vs. Limitations

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X-ray Diffraction (XRD)
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Neutron Diffraction
Highly penetrative (up to 50mm). - Full 3D stress mapping of thick components, expensive, large-scale nuclear facilities.

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Drilling a small hole and measuring the resulting surface deformation. - Semi-destructive and limited to near-surface analysis.

Contour Method
The part is cut in half, and the surface deformation is measured. - 2D cross-sectional map

Technique	Depth	Resolution	Penetration	Cost	Facility
XRD	Surface	High	Low	Low	Small
ND	Volume	Low	High	High	Large
HR	Surface	Low	Low	Low	Small
CM	Surface	Low	Low	Low	Small

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Overview of the Phd Project

- Design new alloys for aerospace applications by using
 - Analytical Models
 - Calculation of Phase Diagrams (CALPHAD)
 - Prototyping via arc-melting
 - Characterizations
 - Mechanical Testing
 - Powdering
 - Additive Manufacturing

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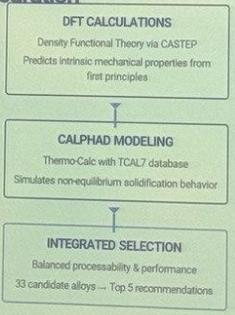
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Methodology Overview: DFT & CALPHAD Integration

- **DFT (CASTEP):** First-principles calculation of mechanical properties
 - Hardness (H)
 - Young's Modulus (E)
 - Ductility (Pugh's ratio B/G)
- **CALPHAD (Thermo-Calc):** Thermodynamic modeling of solidification
 - Solidification range (ΔT)
 - Phase constitution & formation
 - Scheil-Gulliver non-equilibrium simulation
- **Hierarchical Approach:** Two-gate assessment enables efficient screening
 - Processability gate (CALPHAD)
 - Performance ranking (DFT)



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WHAT I HAVE DONE? (PART-2)

□ Ultrasonically Atomization: 7075 & Al-Zn-Mg-Cu-Co-Cr-Mo Powders

Limitations:

Mass accumulation on platform, especially novel alloy.

Thermo-Calc predictions indicate similar thermophysical properties for both alloys at 783 K: viscosity (~ 0.0185 Pa·s), density (2667 kg/m³ for pure alloy vs. 2738 kg/m³ for the modified alloy), and surface tension (~ 0.797 J/m²).

The comparable bulk properties suggest that interfacial interactions, rather than intrinsic fluid properties, dominate the observed differences in process stability. This interpretation is supported by the ~ 239 K temperature difference between the platform conditions and the calculated onset of intermetallic formation (Al_9Co_2 and $Al_{15}Cr_7$ at ~ 1022 K), which may explain the strong adhesion of Alloy B to the platform surface.



