



NewSkin Surface Texturing Value Propositions.

Automotive and General Industry

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NewSkin and Surface Texturing:

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- Despite laser is expected to contribute in different fields **the current ppt is limited to those applications related to the application tribological and enhanced lifespan for automotive and industrial applications** for components working on dynamic environments. Others such applications will be addressed on separated meetings. Micro-electronics, optics, anti-fouling, anti-ice will be disclosed on different meetings.
- Transfer of **Laser Micro/Nano Texturing and Surface Modification** of materials (metals/polymers/composites/ceramics) to industry
- **Modelling and Testing** (LUH / ITAINNOVA)
- **Fabrication** of textured surfaces – (DCU/AIMEN/A-NOV)





Automotive and general Industry Use Cases.



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Direct Texturing of Components:





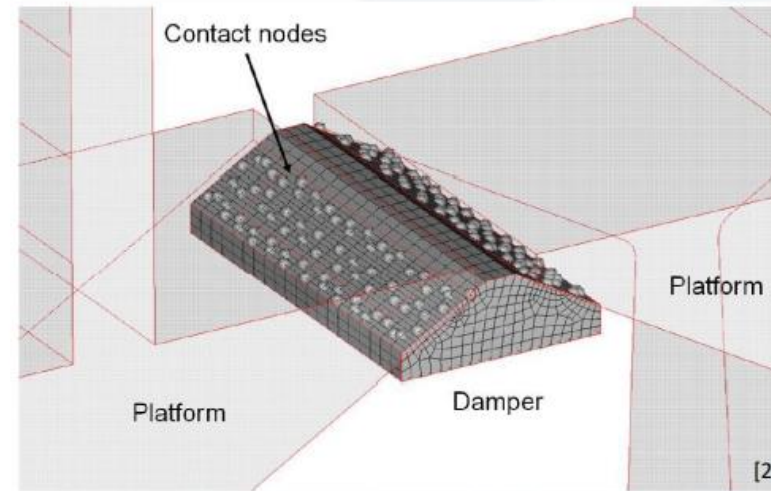
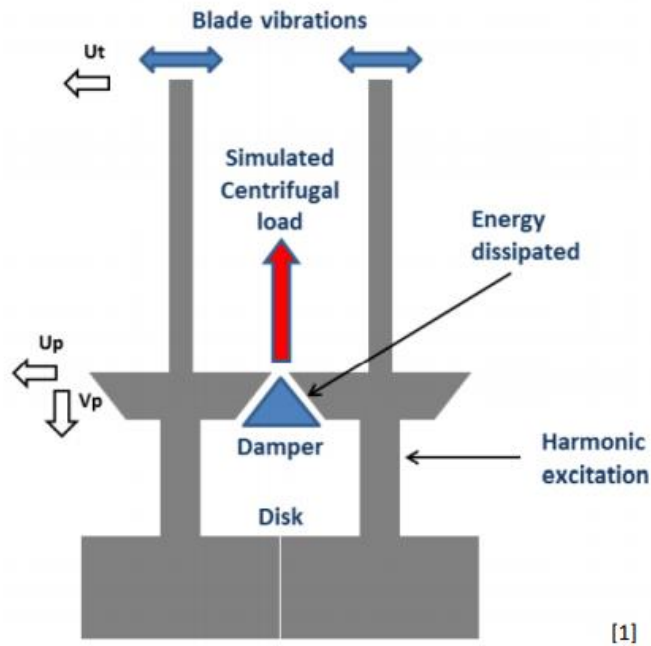
- **Use cases CP1 to CP3** represent 3 examples of components installed in engines, energy generators and others. The textures result in vibrations damping, friction reduction and improved lifespan. Friction and vibrations damping have a positive effect on energy efficiency of engines and equipment and will increase energy generation in turbines, co-generators, heat pumps and others.
- **CP1 to CP3 are metallic components**, but the textures can also be implemented on ceramic components.
- Generally speaking, the **textures can be implemented in any surface subjected to reciprocating, rotation and oscillating movement**: gears, piston, shafts, rings, gaskets...
- **Designs and evaluation of the use cases** will be conducted by LUH and ITA, while AIMEN will **texture** the different component.
- A plan for the engagement of **key actors in the automotive and other industries needs to be created**.



WP 5: CP1 – Retrofit under platform damper

Component:

- Function: Dissipate vibration energy in gas and steam turbines
- Material of the Damper: Steel



: Pesaresi, L., et al. "Numerical and Experimental Investigation of an Underplatform Damper Test Rig." *Applied Mechanics and Materials*, Vol. 849, 2016, 1–12.

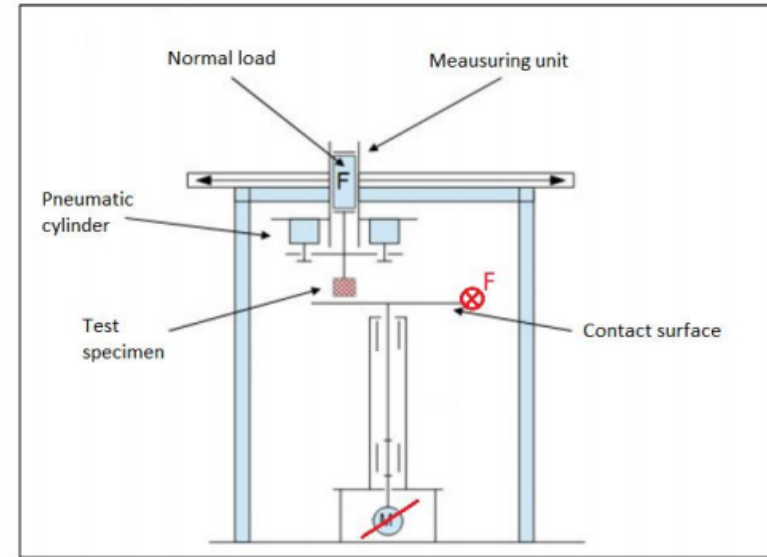
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WP 5: CP1 – Retrofit under platform damper

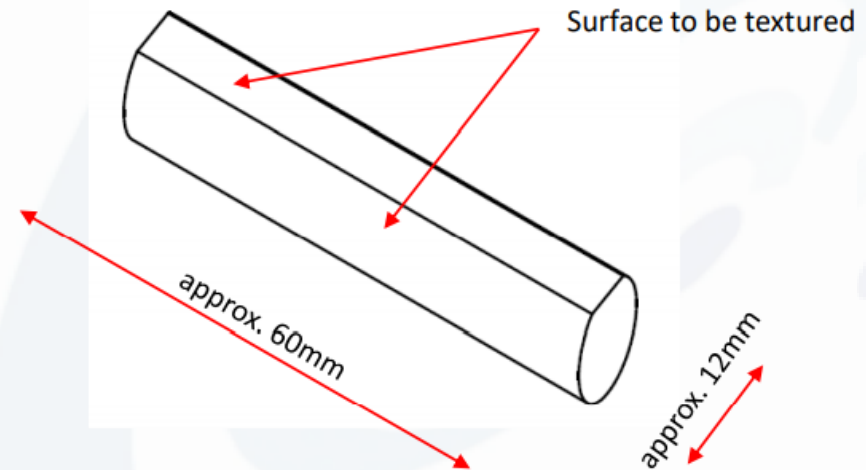
Test-rig:

- Excitation: Shaker to achieve a micro-slip between the test specimen and the counter surface
- Operating conditions:
 - Relative displacement: approx. 50 μ m
 - Normal pressure: approx. 10 MPa – up to 30 MPa
 - Frequency: wide range, < 100Hz up to kHz-Range



Test component:

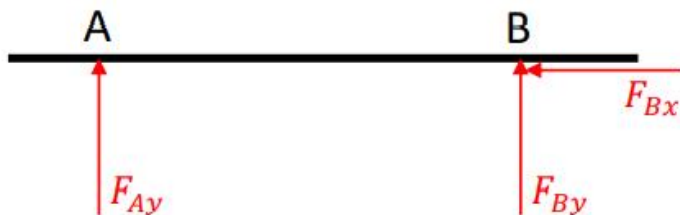
- Test specimen geometry:
- Material: Steel



WP5: CP2 – Shaft/Bearing in electric cars

Component:

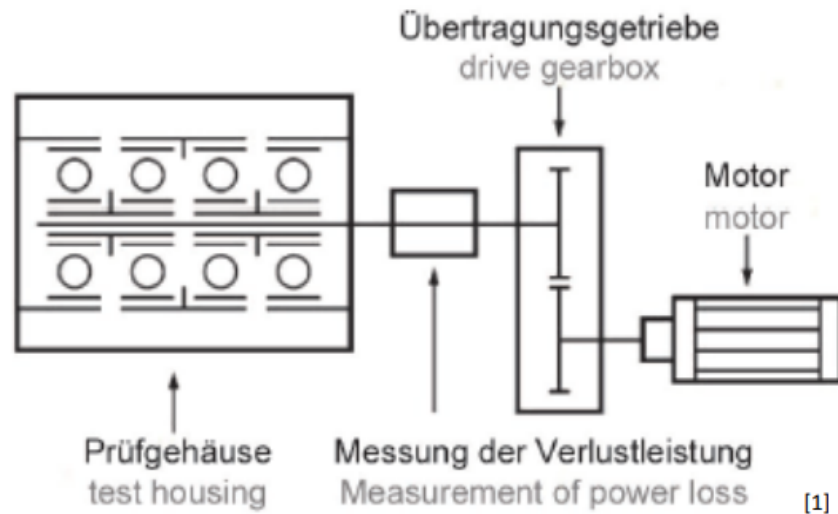
- Functions:
 - Bearing of a rotating shaft
 - Carrying of loads (F_{Ay} , F_{Bx} , F_{By})



WP5: CP2 – Shaft/Bearing in electric cars

Test-rig:

- Operating conditions:
 - Radial load: approx. 10 kN
 - Rotational speed: To be defined



WP5: CP2 – Shaft/Bearing in electric cars

Test component:

- Bearings used in electric cars
 - Inner diameter: 35mm (Tesla Model S), 30mm (Nissan Leaf)
 - Outer diameter: 72mm (Tesla Model S), 62mm (Nissan Leaf)
- Chosen type: Cylindrical roller bearing with original dimensions (Reason: Ball bearings cannot be disassembled non-destructively)
- Material: Steel



WP5: CP3 – Compressor

Component suggestion: Scroll compressor

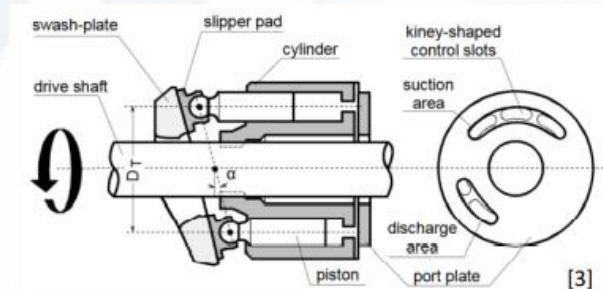
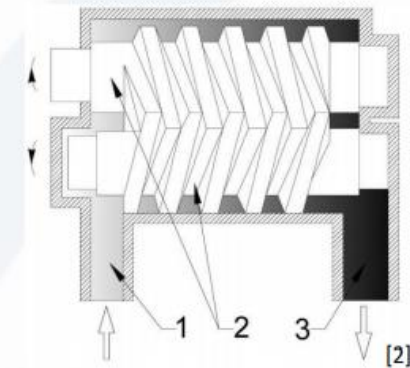
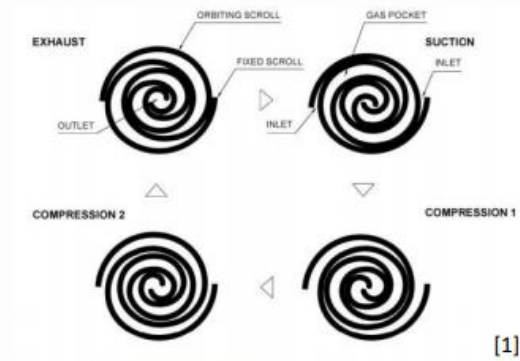
- Application:
 - Heat pumps
 - Thermal management electric vehicle
 - Air conditioning
 - Performance range: 5kW – 70kW
- Challenge: Non-destructive disassembling
- Alternative compressor:
 - Rotary screw compressor
 - Swash-plate compressor

Test-rig:

- To be defined

Test component:

- Original component with original spare parts (Compressor type is to be defined)
- Material: Steel or Aluminium



[1] + [2] Gužda, A., et al. „Compressors in Heat Pumps.“ Machine Dynamics Research, Vol. 39, 2016, 71-83.

[3] Försterling, S., et al. „Theoretical And Experimental Investigations On Carbon Dioxide Compressors For Mobile Air Conditioning Systems And Transport Refrigeration“, 2020.



Texturing During Moulding:



- **Use cases CP12 and CP13** represent 2 examples of **texturing during moulding** components. Textures (negative patterns) are engraved in the mould and the textures is transferred to the molded components.
- The technology was developed in an FP7 (TDM-Seals) and two H2020 projects (SoftSlide and MouldTex). TDM allows the **low-cost mass production of textured components**. When seals are equipped, significant energy reduction in different devices such as hydraulic or pneumatic actuators can be obtained (up 60% friction reduction and over 2 times lifespan).
- Textures has been **validated on elastomeric components** and extended to thermoplastics.
- LUH and ITA will oversee the **design of textures**, AIMEN will **conduct moulds texturing** and ITA will validate the TDM process.
- LUH and ITA have also developed **supportive tools and software for the design of textures** and processes.

Solution – Surface texturing

Friction reduction:

- Surface texturing: Proven technique for reducing friction across lubricated rigid materials
- For elastomeric materials proven at laboratory level: >50% friction and wear reduction measured in seal prototypes
- Without affecting its functional properties



- Knowledge from EU projects:



- TDM-Seals



- SoftSlide



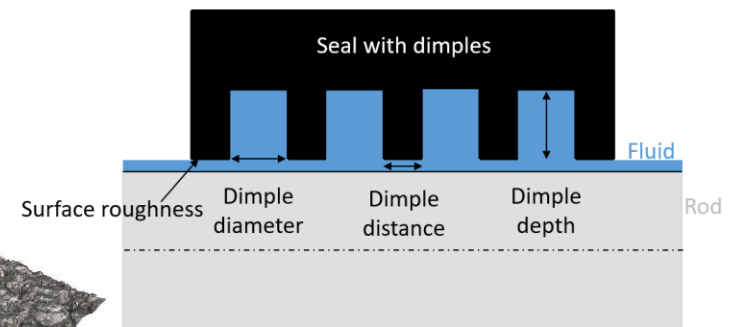
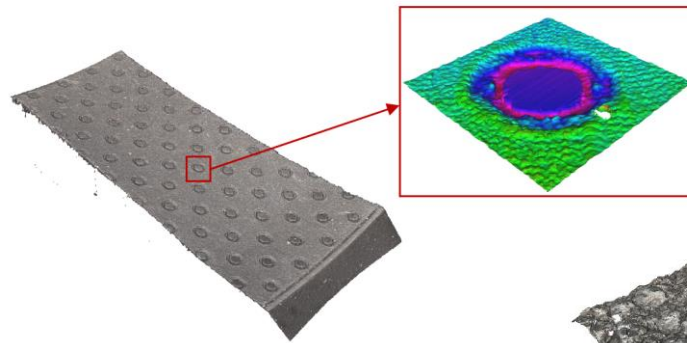
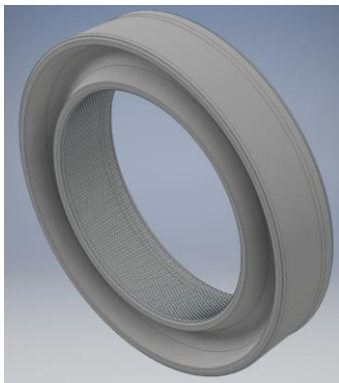
- MouldTex



Surface textures - Specification

Friction reduction:

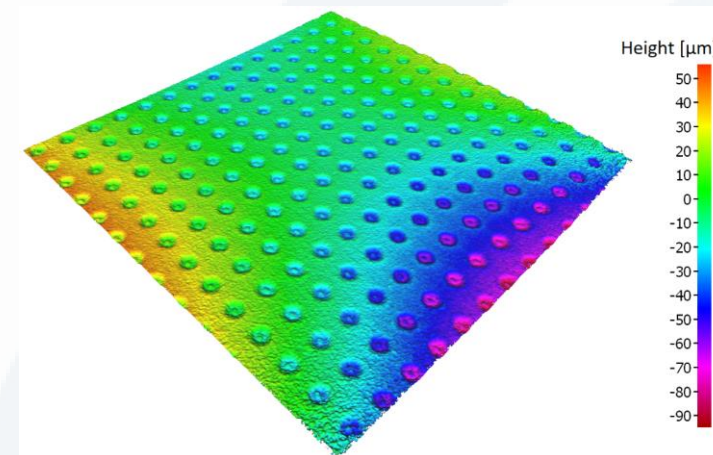
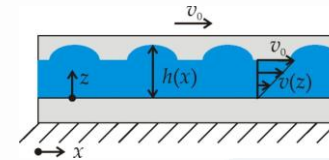
- Modification of the surfaces: Dimples and roughness
- Specification of the dimple textures: Diameter, Distance and Depth
- Dimple dimensions applied in previous projects:
 - Diameter: 100-300 μm
 - Distance: 100-300 μm
 - Depth: 10-30 μm
- Example: Reciprocating dynamical rod seal



Surface textures – Effects

Effects of surface texturing:

- Contact area reduction
 - Reduction of real contact area → Reduction of dry friction
- Viscous friction reduction
 - Friction reduction due to higher fluid film
- Lubricant storage
 - Dimples can store lubricant
- Wear particle storage
 - Dimples can store wear particles



Surface textures – Production (LUH)

Production of surface textured seals:

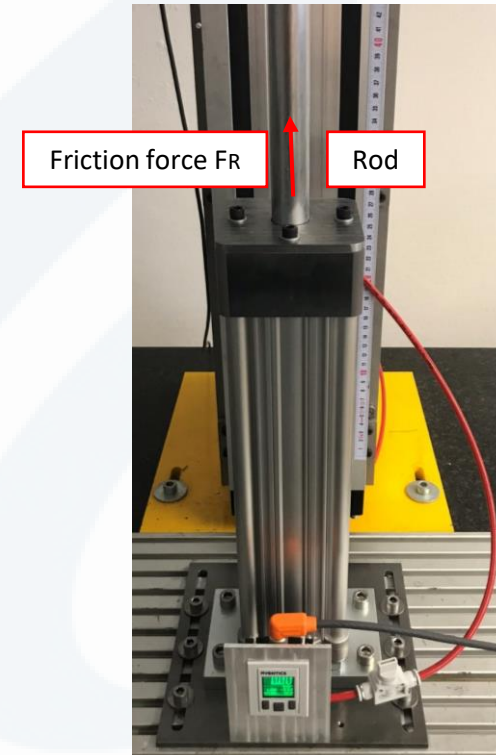
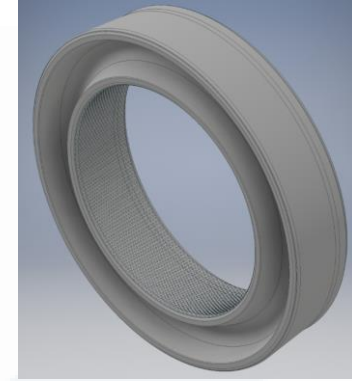
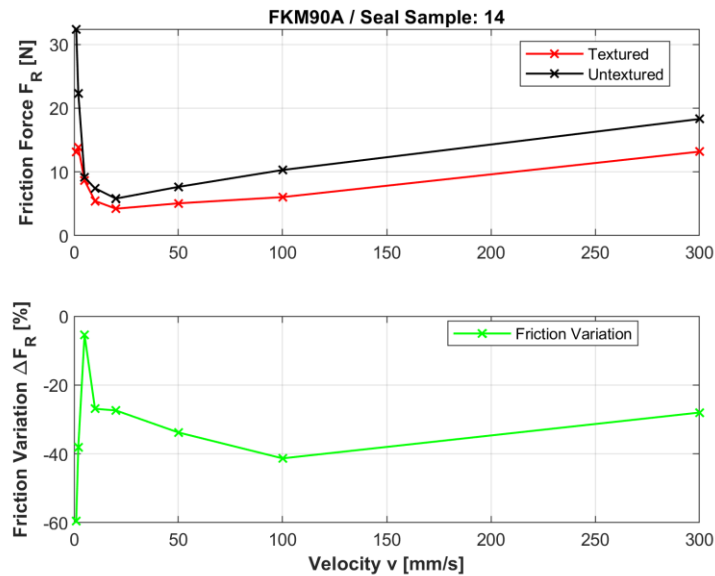
- Surface texture applied in a post process individually on each seal
→ Cost-intensive, unfeasible for mass production
- Texturing during moulding → Production in large volumes
- The negative of the desired surface texture is applied to the metallic mould by laser
- The texture is transferred to the seal surface during moulding
- Adaptable process for a large variety of seal types



Surface textures – Exemplary Results

Friction reduction by surface texturing:

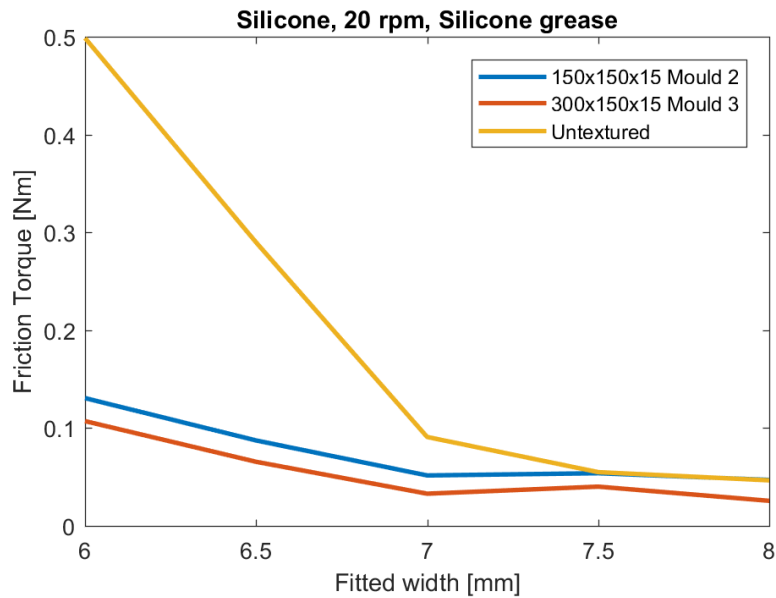
- Reciprocating rod seal
- Surface texture:
 - Dimple diameter: 200 μm
 - Dimple distance: 200 μm
 - Dimple depth: 20 μm



Surface textures – Exemplary Results

Friction reduction by surface texturing:

- Rotating V-Ring seal
- Surface texture applied to the red surface:
 - Dimple diameter: 150/300 μm
 - Dimple distance: 150/150 μm
 - Dimple depth: 15/15 μm



WP5: CP12 – Radial shaft seal and wiper

Component :

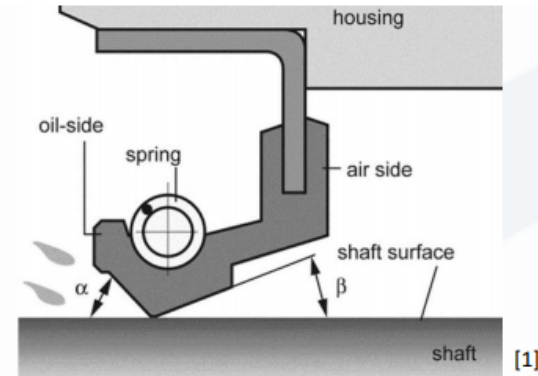
Function: Prevents the leakage of fluids along a rotating shaft

Test-rig:

- Shaft/Bearing test rig used in CP2

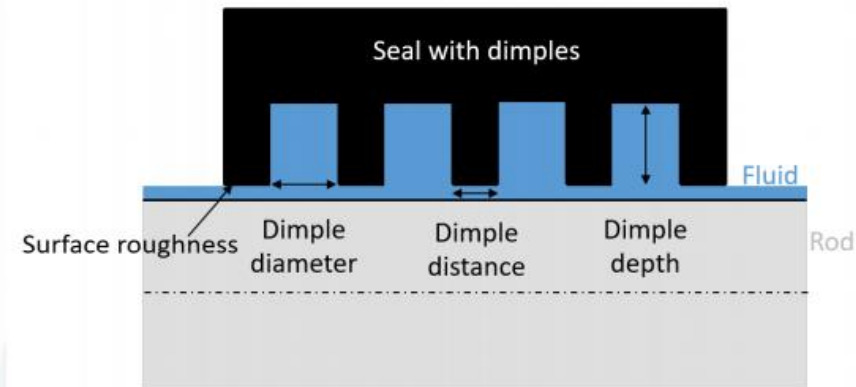
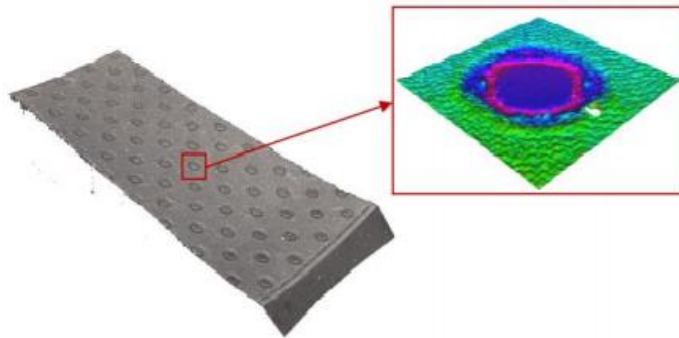
Test components:

- Original component, currently available in the market (Available without and with wiper)
- Alternative: Production by texturing during moulding
- Material: Elastomers (FKM, NBR, ...)



WP5: CP12 – Radial shaft seal and wiper

- Surface texture:
- Seal with friction optimized surface texture
- Dimple texture and/or modified surface roughness
- Dimple texture is defined by diameter, distance and depth



WP5: CP13 – Handles sport equipment

Component :

Function: Strong grip and scratch resistance for sports handles and grips

Test-rig:

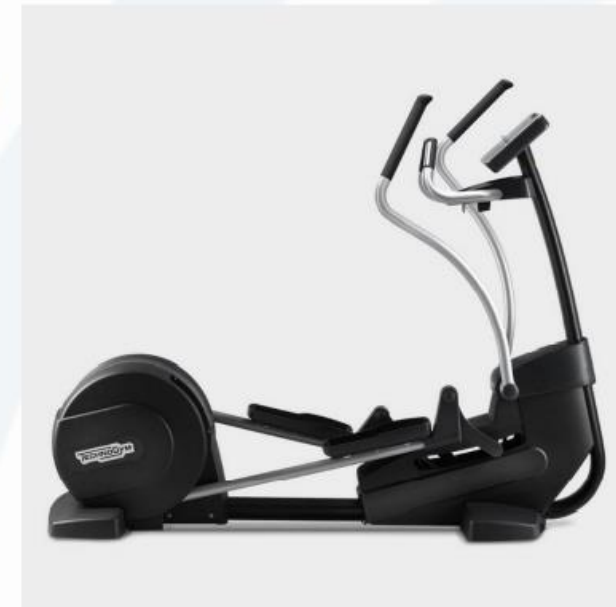
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Test components:

- Original component, currently available in the market
- Alternative: 3D printed parts
- Material: Polypropylene



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The Laser RTD's:



Facility	AIMEN	DCU			ANOV
Laser Type	Ultrafast laser sources in IR, vis and UV.	1. High pulse power nano-structuring Femto; 2. High power heat treatment fibre and 3. Microstructuring CO ₂ lasers			femtosecond lasers
Design Services	Nanostructured foils, shims and tools for micro and nano replication.	Nano-, micro-surface texturing and surface hardening for various applications including marine, transport, and mining.			Anti-bacterial surfaces for metal coils, cans and others
Samples Dimensions	Tools up to 0.5 m ² .	0.5m x 0.9m flat 0.2m radius x 0.3m 4-axis (Up to 0,8 x 0,6 m ²
Resolution	< 100 nm	<100nm spot size			< 100 nm
Energy	40 μJ @1MHz	7 mJ @ 1 kHz	10 μJ @ 1 MHz	10mJ @ 50 kHz	>300μJ @ 1 MHz >70μJ @ 5 MHz
Power	40 W max.	7 W	10 W, <500 fs	500 W, 20 μs	350W femtosecond pulses for LIPSS
Productivity	> 16 cm ² /min	> 16 cm ² /min			>100mm ² /s
Substrates	Metallic, carbon-based, ceramic	Metallic, ceramic, polymeric, glass			Metallic
Geometries	Flat or Tooling	Complex			Flat
OVS	Yes	Upgrade required for dedicated 4-axis			No
LIPSS	No	Upgrade required for dedicated 4-axis			Yes
Process	Batch	Batch / Continuous			Continuous
Functionality	Optical, tribological, biocompatibility, contact angle, wettability, heat exchange improvement. Membranes.	Anti-fouling in hulls and propellers and membranes, Nano-pores creation on membranes, reduced friction and wear in propellers, rock drills, hulls and pumps for improved efficiency and increased life time			Anti-bacterial (Chemical and nano-topography modification), superhydrophobic surfaces, etc.
Use	Roll to roll cylinders, moulds (embossing, ICM), filtration, medical devices and electronics (display).	Texturing of complex geometries: Propellers, pistons, gears, shafts, pinions, rock drills, hulls, membranes. Laser drilling/perforation of pores			Can and coil coatings, food packaging
Others	Moulding, hot plate embossing and UV curing facilities for micro and nano-replication.	Hybrid laser process: Enhancing surface microstructure properties and adding texture.			Polygon Scanner + Nanotexturing machine operational for upscaling

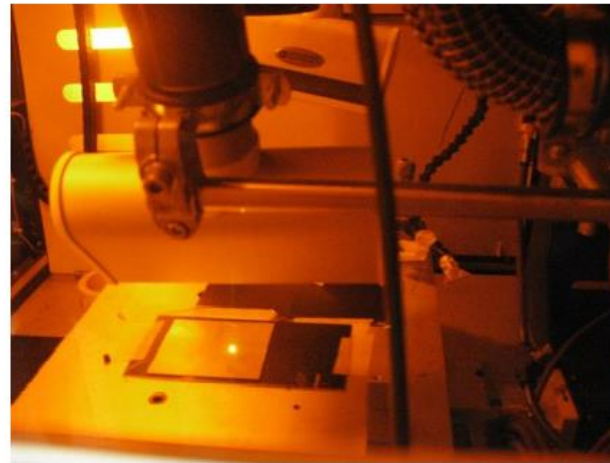
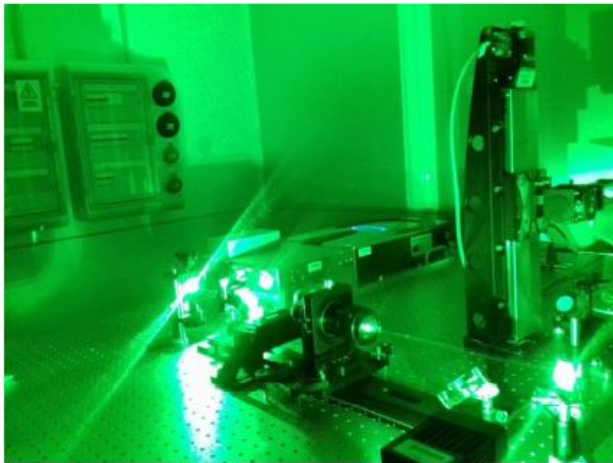
Table 1 NewSkin laser Up-scaling facilities Overview



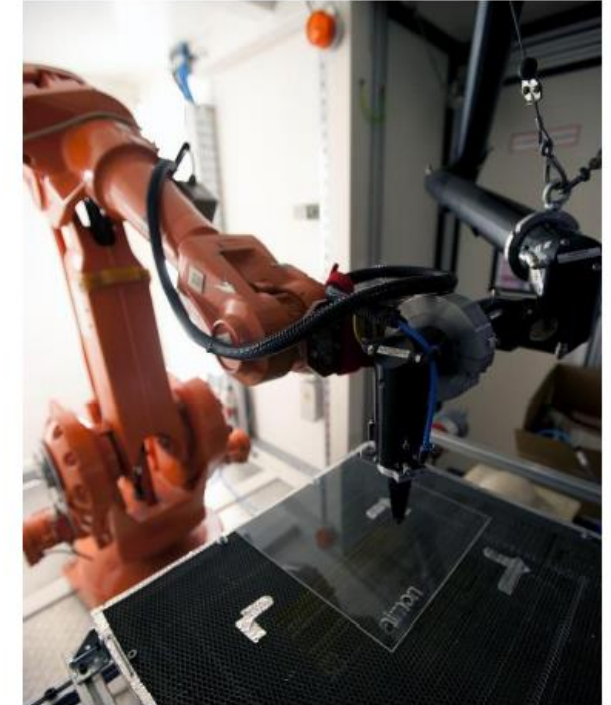
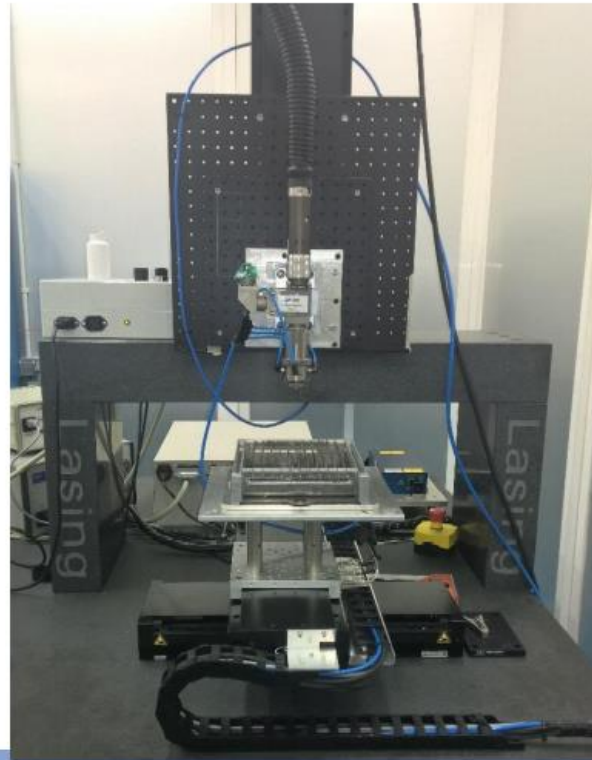
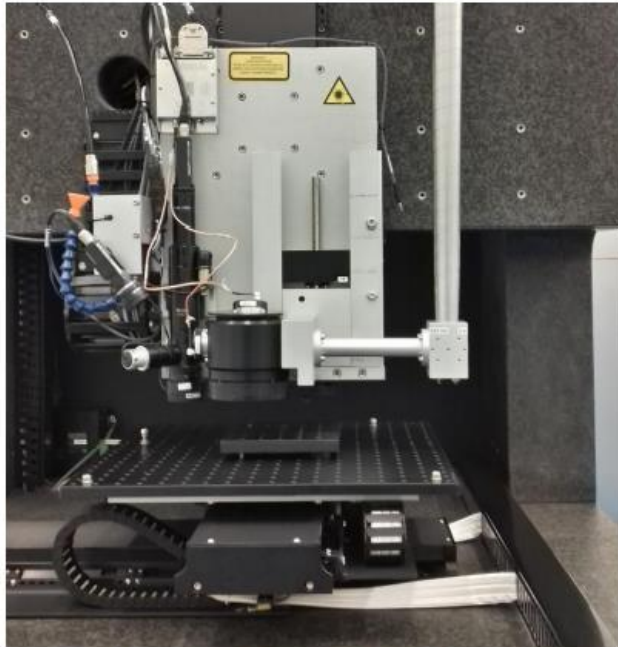
- 5 axis (complex shapes).
- Moderate size components.
- Accurate Patterning on graphene



- ✓ ROFIN SCx30 CO₂ of maximum power 300W
- ✓ LASERLINE LDM 400/600 of maximum power 150W
- ✓ TRUMPF single mode fiber laser of maximum average power 400W
- ✓ ROFIN single mode fiber laser of maximum average power 1.500W
- ✓ ROFIN POWERLINE 20, IR (1064nm), 16W at 20kHz and ns pulses
- ✓ ROFIN POWERLINE 20 SHG, Green (532nm), 12W at 50kHz and ns pulses
- ✓ TRUMPF TruMark 6350, UV (355nm) Q-Switched Nd:YVO₄ source, 5W, >250 μJ, 10ns, up to 120MHz
- ✓ TEEMPHOTONICS POWERCHIP, Green (532nm), up to 1kHz and sub-ns (<400ps)
- ✓ CRYLAS MOPA 266-50, UV (266nm), and sub-ns (<950ps)
- ✓ 3D micro-Fabrication module: microchip laser, Green (532nm), down to 650ps
- ✓ EOLITE HEGOA IR40/G20/UV10; 40W at IR (1030nm) and 30 ps pulses; with SHG and THG. Up to 2 MHz.
- ✓ AMPLITUDE SATSUMA HP2; 20W at IR (1030nm) and 400 fs pulses; with SHG and THG. Up to 2 MHz.



- ✓ Systems for beam characterization SPIRICON LBS-300 and Mode Check
- ✓ Power measurement systems
- ✓ Sensors for measuring diffuse radiation
- ✓ Autocorrelator for ultrashort laser pulses characterization
- ✓ High precision motion systems
- ✓ Micro cladding laser head and micro cladding powder feeder
- ✓ Cutting and welding heads, galvanometric scanners for high precision micromachining
- ✓ Optomechanical components for beam forming and guidance
- ✓ Robot ABB IRB 140
- ✓ Confocal microscope / Optical profilometer



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- Larger Components
- 4 Axis
- Ceramics processing.
- Texturing and hardening of metals



Planned Work within NewSkin

DCU Open Innovation Test Bed

- Integrated micro/nano machining and surface hardening

Existing Equipment:

- 1.6 J Quanta Ray Pro 290 1064nm Nd:YAG laser
 - 30 Hz Rep Rate
 - 8 – 12 ns pulse width
- 4-axis Aerotech Motion and part handling system
 - Max substrate size: 0.5 m × 0.9 m flat or \varnothing 0.4m × 0.3 m

New Equipment (for NewSkin Project):

- Heat-treatment laser (IPG YLR 1kW CW) w/ Welding Head
- Femtosecond micro/nano machining laser (NKT OneFive Origami 10XP)
 - Controllable pulse width
 - Optical Setup for LIPSS and Optical Phase Modulation/Wavefront Shaping
 - In-situ metrology (Interferometry/IR Imaging)

Applications:

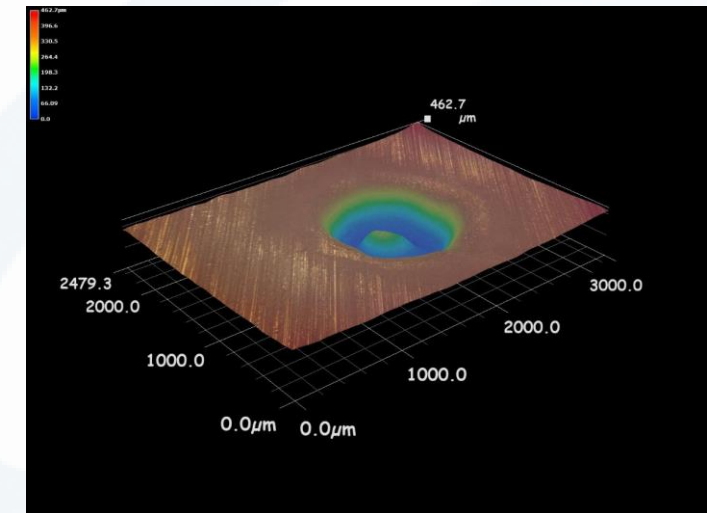
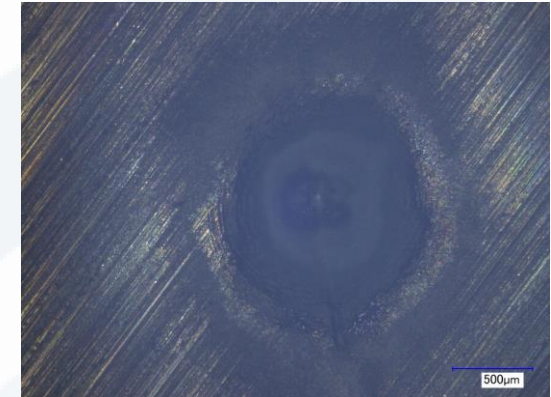
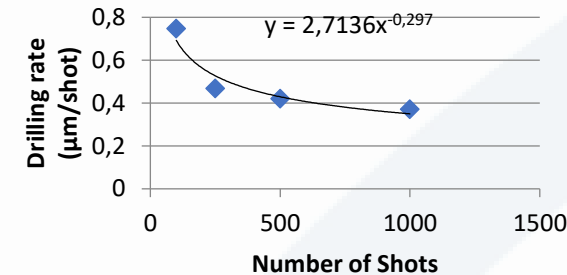
- Nano surface structuring/drilling
- Heat treatment/surface hardening
- Laser shock peening, laser polishing high aspect ratio piercing



2 - Laser hardening and texturing for performance improvement (DCU)



- Combination of laser texturing and laser hardening
 - Reduced cavitation/bubble generation of propellers in liquid environments.
 - High wear environments in energy/mining sector
- Unique Selling Point:
 - Increased part lifetime
 - Reduced cavitation damage of propeller blades, bearings and motor components.
 - Low friction applications
 - High wear resistance
- Benefit for customers:
 - Lower part maintenance, enhanced reliability, lower energy requirements

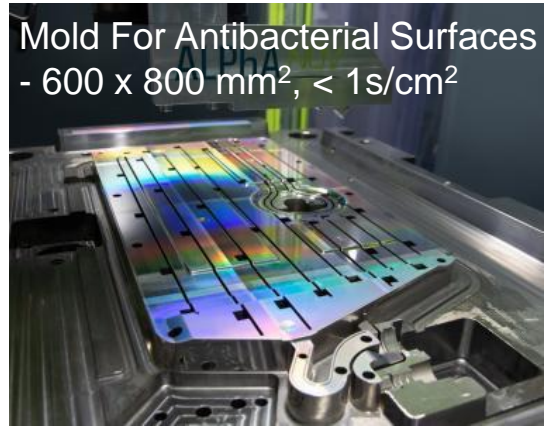


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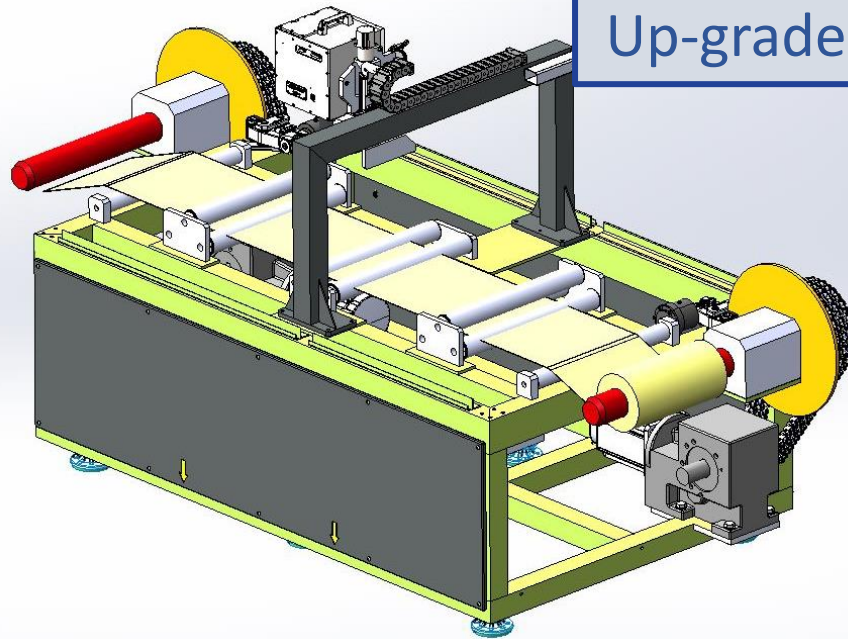
- Continuous and Automated Roll to Roll laser processing
- Processing of Metal foils and other flexible materials
- Surface Texturing and functionalization (anti-icing, anti-fouling, anti-bacterial, self cleaning, etc.)





NewSkin
Up-grade

- Direct High Throughput Processing.
- Very large Surfaces with coils and rolls
- Compatible with Moulding, cold forming and other mechanical processes.
- Structures can be created before forming





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