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Services Portfolio

Advanced Materials Development



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Custom Alloy Development

Developing a heat-resistant superalloy

Create and test a nickel-based alloy for high-temperature applications like aerospace turbines.

Alloy design with critical material substitution

Develop an alloy that uses alternative elements to replace expensive or scarce materials (e.g. reduce Ni or Mo content).

Corrosion-resistant alloy development

Melt and test new alloy compositions aimed at superior corrosion resistance.

High-entropy alloy exploration

Create multi-component (5 or more elements) high-entropy alloys.

Shape memory alloy creation (e.g. NiTi)

Produce and thermally treat a shape-memory alloy and test its shape-recovery.



Custom Alloy Development

Developing lighter, high-strength aluminium alloys for aerospace and high-temperature applications

Experiment with alloying aluminium with elements like Scandium or Magnesium to improve strength without sacrificing weight.

New solder or fusible alloy design

Formulate a low-melting alloy (lead-free solder or fusible plug alloy) with specific melting point and properties.

Custom alloy for electronics & semiconductors

Melt and refine a high-purity alloy for electronic applications (low magnetic, specific expansion coefficient, etc.).

Client-specific alloy prototyping

Work with a client's proprietary material concept, melting and casting a prototype batch under NDA to evaluate its potent.



New Steel

Developing a new high-strength steel grade

Design and produce a novel steel composition (e.g., for automotive) and assess its properties.

Developing a new high-strength steel grade

Design a tool steel with improved hardness and toughness for machining or drilling applications.

Formulating a new stainless-steel alloy

Experiment with alloying elements to produce stainless steel with improved corrosion resistance or lower cost.

Prototype batch of advanced high-strength steel (AHSS)

Melt and process a small batch of AHSS (e.g., TRIP or TWIP steel) to evaluate its microstructure and tensile properties.

Nanoscale grain steel via processing

Develop a processing route to achieve ultra-fine grain steel for high strength and toughness.



Supporting R&D

Alloy solidification pattern study

Examine how different alloy compositions solidify by controlled pilot casting.

Lab-scale melting of new alloys

Melt very small (~1 kg) samples of experimental alloys for property evaluation.

Rolling and thermomechanical processing of prototype alloy

Process a lab-created alloy through rolling or forging to simulate industrial forming and evaluate its workability and properties.

Precipitation hardening study in new alloy

Investigate aging treatments for an alloy to enhance strength via precipitation (useful for aluminium or PH steels).

Mechanical property characterisation of prototype alloy

Complete suite of mechanical tests on a new alloy to ensure it meets application requirements.



Supporting R&D

Creep and stress-rupture testing for alloy qualification

Evaluate creep resistance of a new high-temperature alloy under load at elevated temperature for extended durations.

High-temperature oxidation testing

Develop an alloy or coating and test its oxidation resistance at elevated temperatures over time

Powder durability and storage testing

Test how a powder's characteristics change with storage.

Thermal analysis of powder (DSC/TGA)

Perform thermal analysis on powders to understand their behaviour upon heating.

Macro hardness testing (HB/HRC/HV)

Fast screening of heat-treatment outcome.

Micro hardness mapping (HV0.1–HV1)

Resolve gradients across coatings/cases/HAZ to validate processes.



Supporting R&D

Developing novel alloys and composites using Laser Powder Bed Fusion (LPBF)

Develop a novel alloy optimized for 3D printing (better flowability, low cracking) and produce a small ingot or powder batch for testing.

Powder metallurgy route for new alloy

Create a new alloy via powder metallurgy (mixing elemental or pre-alloyed powders and sintering) for compositions hard to melt conventionally.



Additive Manufacturing & Powder Metallurgy

Tensile testing (room & elevated temperature)

Generate design allowables and verify batch-to-batch consistency.

Impact testing

Assess toughness and ductile-to-brittle transition behaviour.

Elastic modulus & hardness by indentation

Non-destructive property checks for thin sections or small parts.

Accelerated aging of new material

Subject a newly developed material to high temperature and humidity in aging chambers to predict long-term performance.



Additional Services

Remelting and purification of metal samples

Re-melt a metal sample to homogenise composition or remove inclusions for quality improvement.

Induction skull melting for reactive metals

Melt small quantities of metals that react with crucibles by using cold crucible (skull) technique.

Material upscaling from lab to pilot

Take a promising new material initially made at gram-scale and produce a larger batch (tens of kg) to assess scalability and consistency.

Small-scale alloy screening experiments

Melt multiple small (~1 kg) alloy samples with systematic compositional variations to rapidly identify promising formulas.

Development of fusion reactor materials

Create and test materials (alloys or composites) that can withstand extreme conditions inside nuclear fusion reactors.

Full Services Portfolio

Advanced Metals & Green Steelmaking

- Green Steel
- Product Development
- Process Improvement
- Extra

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Characterisation and Analysis

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Critical Raw Materials

- By-product Valorisation
- End of Life Process Development
- Mine Tailing Valorisation
- Piloting /Testbed Hosting
- Process Scale-up
- Process Optimisation

Sustainable Cement and Concrete

- Product Development
- Process Improvement

Powder Analysis and Additive Manufacturing

- Powder Analysis
- Additive Manufacturing
- Powder Processing

Energy and Process Decarbonisation

- Feasibility Studies
- Energy and Emission Optimisation
- Process Optimisation
- Leveraging Facilities

Facilities and Equipment

Full Services Portfolio

Training

Processes

- Ironmaking
- Desulphurisation of Iron
- Steel Plant Raw Material
- Primary Steelmaking
- Secondary Steelmaking
- Ladles
- Practical Steelmaking
- Stainless Steelmaking
- Electric Arc Furnace (EAF) Steelmaking
- Continuous Casting
- General

Supplementary

- Engineering
- Metallurgy
- Environmental Protection
- Management
- Research

Applications

- Circular Economy
- Digital Technology
- Analytical Techniques

Products

- Finished Goods

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