



Stellar ABD®-900AM

## **Powder for Additive Manufacturing**



### **MATERIAL OVERVIEW**

- An age-hardenable nickel-based superalloy designed specifically for use as feedstock in powder bed fusion. Stellar ABD®-900AM is optimized for high creep and tensile strength, and corrosion/oxidation resistance, with a working temperature range up to 900°C in its age-hardened state.
- The new alloy has excellent creep strength similar to alloy 939 and Ni 738 – while having superior resistance to cracking during manufacture and heat treatment.

Designed to be free of solidification, liquidation and strain-age cracks, Stellar ABD<sup>®</sup>-900AM is 40%  $\chi'$  phase and showcases exceptional printability for such a high temperature strengthened alloy. It is suitable for complex components within the Aerospace, Power, Automotive and Space industries.

#### **KEY PROPERTIES**

Mechanical <sup>1,2</sup> (900°C)	Yield strength (MPa)	z 574 xy 568
	Ultimate tensile strength (MPa)	z 582 xy 593
	Elongation at failure %	z 13 xy 7
	Area reduction at failure %	z 12 xy 7
Thermo- physical <sup>3</sup> (25-1200°C)	Thermal conductivity (W(m°C) <sup>-1</sup> )	11.0 - 30.1
	CTE (Linear)/ x10-6°C <sup>-1</sup>	11.4 - 19.2
Physical <sup>4</sup>	Density/ g cm <sup>-3</sup>	8.395
	Melting range²/ °C	1305-1380

All measurements are for the fully heat treated alloy printed with a layer thickness of 30  $\mu\text{m}.$ 

 $^1$ strain rate of  $10^{-3}s^{-1},\,^2after$  recrystallisation anneal and full heat treatment,  $^3after$  full heat treatment,  $^4as$ -printed

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### PRINTABILITY

Stellar ABD<sup>®</sup>-900AM shows high part density and no cracking when printed with standard Ni 718 parameters.

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## **POWDER CHARACTERISITICS**

Particle size distributions:

Laser Beam Melting (powder bed): 15-53 µm

Electron Beam Melting (powder bed): 45-106  $\mu m$ 

Directed energy deposition (LMD): 45-106 µm

Custom size distributions available on request



Stellar ABD®-900AM is well suited for gas atomisation

Stellar ABD<sup>®</sup>-900AM is available in batch sizes suitable for R&T and full production.

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**TENSILE PROPERTIES** 



Tensile properties of additively manufactured ABD<sup>®</sup>-900AM and Ni718, evaluated at a strain rate of 10<sup>-3</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>, all other test conditions in accordance to ASTM E8/E8M-16a/E21. No HIP applied. Yield Strength (YS) shown is Rp<sub>0.2%</sub> stress, Ultimate Tensile Strength (UTS) is stress at maximum force.

## **TENSILE DUCTILITY & REDUCTION OF AREA**



Tensile properties of additively manufactured Stellar ABD<sup>®-</sup>900AM and Ni718, evaluated at a strain rate of 10<sup>-3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>, all other test conditions in accordance to ASTM E8/E8M-16a/E21. No HIP applied. Elongation and Area Reduction were measured after failure as per the standards.

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LONG TERM STABILITY





Tensile properties of additively manufactured ABD<sup>®</sup>-900AM after full heat treatment cycle followed by long term heat exposure. Yield strength evaluated at 650 °C with a strain rate of 10<sup>-4</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>. Data for Alloy 718 and Alloy 718Plus taken from "Advanced Materials and Processes, December 2006"



SEM image of fully heat-treated ABD®-900AM after electro-chemical etching in 10% phosphoric acid showing the bi-modal  $\gamma'$ -phase distribution: 50 and 200 nm

## **FATIGUE PROPERTIES**



# Low cycle fatigue properties of additively manufactured ABD $^{\circ}$ -900AM after full heat treatment cycle. Tested in accordance to ASTM E606.

## **STRESS RUPTURE PROPERTIES**



Stress rupture properties of additively manufactured ABD®-900AM after recrystallisation anneal and full heat treatment cycle. Tested in accordance to ASTM E139. Larson-Miller Parameter evaluated with Temperature (T) in Kelvin and Time (t) in hours. Ni718 is additively manufactured and fully heat treated.

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#### THERMOPHYSICAL PROPERTIES



Linear coefficient of thermal expansion measured according to ASTM E228. Average of heating and cooling curves.<sup>1</sup>



Thermal conductivity ( $\lambda$ ) of Stellar ABD®-900AM is calculated according to ASTM standards from measured values of density ( $\rho$ ), specific heat capacity (Cp), and thermal diffusivity (a):  $\lambda = \rho C pa$ .<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Stellar ABD®-900AM after full heat treatment, <sup>2</sup>Stellar ABD®-900AM in an as-printed condition

## **MICROSTRUCTURE & HEAT TREATMENT**



Typical EBSD maps and grain structures of Stellar ABD®-900AM after the corresponding heat treatments.

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Mass gain of Stellar ABD<sup>®</sup>-900AM and other alloys during the course of cyclic oxidation in laboratory air over 200 hrs.<sup>1</sup>



Specific heat (Cp) of Stellar ABD®-900AM, measured according to ASTM E1269.<sup>2</sup>