

## **REVIEW MEETING**

**Design, Fabrication and Performance Characterization of** 

Near-Surface Embedded Cooling Channels with an Oxide Dispersion Strengthened (ODS) Coating Layer

Award Number: DE-FE0025793 Period of Performance :10/1/15 to 9/30/18



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**University Turbine Systems Research** 

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# **Technical Background/Approach**



Airfoil metal temperature distributions (in K) h<sub>c</sub>=3000W/m<sup>2</sup>-K → Gas temperature: Hydrogen-fired turbine (~1430°C)

Near surface 'skin cooling' or 'double-wall' internal cooling arrangement leads to a significant reduction of metal surface temperature, ~50 – 100°C, compared to conventional serpentine cooling designs



Siw, S.C., Chyu, M.K., Karaivanov, V.G., Slaughter, W.S., and Alvin, M.A., 2009, "Influence of Internal Coolinjg Configuration on Metal Temperature Distributions of Future Coal-Fuel Based Turbine Airfoils," ASME Turbo Expo 2009, Paper No. GT2009-59829.



Skin Cooled Bulk Substrate Metal Temperature as a Function of Channel Heat transfer Coefficient and Coolant Temperature

Bunker, R.S., 2013, "Gas Turbine Cooling: Moving from Macro to Micro Cooling," ASME Turbo Expo 2013, Paper No. GT2013-94277

# **Near Surface Embedded Channel Cooling**

#### **Technical Challenges**

- Design optimal aero-thermal configuration
- ODS powder fabrication, ODS layer deposition processing
- Scale-up and commercial manufacturing of test articles

#### **Objectives**

>To design highly-heat-transfer augmented and manufacturable internal cooling channels for the development of NSECC.

To produce ODS particles within 45-105 microns which will be used in an additive manufacturing (AM) process based on laser deposition to build NSECC test modules

>To develop fabrication process through additive manufacturing for coating either a densified ODS layer over a grooved single crystal superalloy substrate to form an enclosed NSECC, or an ODS layer with cooling channels embedded within the ODS layer atop a single crystal superalloy metal substrate

>To characterize the thermal-mechanical material properties and cooling performance of the AM produced ODS-NSECC protective module under high-temperature conditions. Comparison with the state-of-the-art cooling technology will be made and the performance improvements over the standards will be assessed

# **Project Work Breakdown Structure**



# **Research Task Plan**



## Milestones

Solar Turbines



Design, Fabrication and Performance Characterization of Near-Surface Embedded Cooling Channels with an Oxide Dispersion Strengthened (ODS) Coating Layer

Research Task Plan (3 years)



Title	Planned Date	Verification Method
A - Heat transfer and fluid flow		
experiments of test sections and test		Data analysis and comparison to
modules	3/31/2017	bench data
B - Produce and characterize ODS		
powders	3/31/2017	XRD and SEM
C - ODS coating on substrate	3/31/2016	Optical micrographs, SEM
<b>D</b> - Fabrication of NSECC on grooved		
single crystal superalloy substrate	9/30/2016	Optical micrographs, SEM
<b>E</b> - Fabrication of NSECC on flat single		
crystal superalloy substrate	12/31/2017	Optical micrographs, SEM
F - Thermal cyclic loading tests	3/31/2018	Optical micrographs, SEM
G - High temperature experiments		Data analysis and comparison to
(Validation)	9/30/2018	bench data (SOTA standards)



Solar Turbines Project Timeline1



Took Nomo	Year 1			Year 2		2			Year 3			
	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4
Task 1.0 - Project management and planning												
Task 20 - Heat transfer characterization of advanced												
NSECC Concepts at low temperature												
Subtask 2.1 Identify potential geometries/configurations												
Subtask 2.2 Conduct numerical calculations (ANSYS CFX)												
Subtask 2.3 Fabricate test sections and test coupons	1											
Subtask 2.4 Conduct heat transfer experiments and fluid												
flow measurements												
Milestone A												
Task 3.0 - ODS Powders Fabrication and												
Characterization												
Subtask 3.1 Develop optimal process parameter to												
produce ODS powder												
Subtask 3.2 Installation, adjusting and training for powder									-			
fabracation equipments												
Subtask 3.3 Characterize the powder particle size												
distribution												
Milestone B									2000000000			



Solar Turbines Project Timeline2



Tool: Nomo	Year 1				Year 2				Year 3			
	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4
Task 4.0 - AM assisted ODS Coating				-								
Task 4.1 Development and process optimization to coat an												
ODS Layer on single crystal superalloy substrate				-								
Milestone C		$\blacklozenge$	V									
Task 4.2 Development and process optimization to												
fabricate NSECC on grooved single crystal superalloy					IV,							
Milestone D					V							
Task 4.3 Development and process optimization to												
fabricate NSECC on flat single crystal superalloy substrate												
Milestone E												
Task 5.0 - Microstructural and Mechanical												
Properties Evaluation												
Task 5.1 Qualification on AM fabricated ODS Alloy												
Specimens												
Task 5.2 Iso thermal experiment on ODS Alloy Specimens												
Task 5.3 Thermal cyclic experiment on ODS Alloy												
Specimens					l							
Milestone F										$\blacklozenge$		
Task 5.4 Thermal/mechanical property measurement of												
ODS Alloy Specimens					Ì							
Task 5.0 - Heat Transfer Characterization of												
ODS/NSECC Protected Single Crystal Superalloy												
Coupon under High Temperature Environment												
Milestone G												$\blacklozenge$

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# **Task 1 Advanced Impingement**

**Objective:** Develop internal air foil cooling technologies capable of additive manufacturing and suitable for surface embedding, and seek for heat transfer enhancement in the meantime.

### Advanced Impingement

#### Challenge:

Cooling channels embedded near the outer surface have small sizes and irregular shapes. Distributing the coolant to feed the channels will be more difficult than traditional cooling concepts. In the meantime, this novel cooling concept still requires further enhancement of local heat transfer to achieve higher efficiency.



Different patents showing double wall cooling by UTC, Siemens and Florida Turbine Technologies

## **Heat Transfer Test Facilities**



Test Rig for Scaled up Models based on TLC



Test Rig for Conjugate Heat Transfer based on IR



Test Section Thermocouples Test Rig for Steady State based on thermocouples



Test Rig for AM Parts based on thermocouples NATIONAL ENERGY TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY

# **Innovational Designs of Impingement**



"Screw" Cooling Concept for Leading Edges







Novel impingement concepts developed in this project attempt to make full use of the state-of-the-art metallic additive manufacturing.

# Prelim Designs of "Screw" Cooling





h (W/m<sup>2</sup>.K)

Heat Transfer Distribution



NATIONAL Averaged Heat Transfer BORATORY

- Side Jets (Round, square, slotted): nonsymmetric but more uniform heat transfer.
- Highest Heat transfer: raised jets.
- Entrainment and recirculation causes low heat transfer zones upstream of first jet.
- Raised round jets show up to 36% higher heat transfer @ ~90% higher pressure drop.
- Round, Square and Slot jets have lower heat transfer and lower pressure drop.

# **Optimized Leading Edge Cooling Scheme**



Heat Transfer Distribution



- Geometry Feature: two 45° walls forming discrete secondary jets.
- The secondary surface jets exhibited a 40% higher area averaged total heat transfer @ 1.5 times higher pressure drop.
- The secondary surface jet configuration has a significantly more uniform heat transfer distribution.



# **Enhancement of Hybrid Linked Jet Impingement**



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# Task 3: ODS Coating with AM Assisted

**Objective:** Develop and optimize processing parameters for fabricating an ODS layer atop of superalloy substrate of turbine airfoils

#### Approach

Produce a series of test coupon with densified ODS layer atop of single crystal nickel based superalloy substrate using varying major parameters.

- Laser power, powder feeding rate, deposition speed, hatch spacing, hatch pattern



# **Metallic Additive Manufacturing**



As metallic additive manufacturing technologies advance significantly over the recent past, complex metal products, such as turbine components, can be manufactured by this innovative technology.

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## **AM (LENS) Control Parameters**



Hatch pattern



Hatch spacing



Laser power

- Objective: Develop and optimize processing parameters for fabricating an ODS layer atop of substrate
- > Test Matrix: 7 parameters, 45 tests
- Key Parameters: laser power, motor rate, gas flow rate, hatch pattern



**Optimization of AM Control Parameters** 

# **Additive Manufactured ODS Coating Layer**

**Objective:** Produce a series of test coupon with densified ODS layer atop of single crystal nickel based superalloy substrate.



#### AM Samples of ODS Coating Layers



Surface Finish of ODS Coating Layer





## **ODS Coating (AM Assisted)**





#### **ODS Strip Deposition Samples**



Cross Section of Laser Deposited Samples

## 275 W Laser Power (no etching)



### **Effort to Make Unsupported Structures**

Challenges: Direct Energy Deposition systems (LENS 450) are not capable of making unsupported bridges or overhangs such as top layers for cooling channels.



Approach to Make Unsupported Structure by LENS

1. Fill grooves with powder



2. Sinter the top layer by one scanning







\* Suitable for casted blades



Overhangs and Unsupported Bridges by EOS







#### 0.8mm 🛓



## Additive Manufactured ODS Coated Cooling Channels

**Objective:** Produce a series of test coupon with densified ODS layer atop of grooved single crystal substrate to form cooling channels.



NSECC manufacturing Approach



ODS Coupons with Rectangular Cooling Channels



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# Mechanical Alloying/Ball Milling (Traditional ODS Powder Fabrication)



- Obtaining metastable and non
  Reactive Powder
- Improved dispersion homogeneity

## Mechanical Alloying/Ball Milling (Traditional ODS Powder Fabrication)



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# **ODS Powders Fabrication and Characterization**

**Objective:** Develop and optimize ODS fabrication process for additive manufacturing (AM) applications

### Approach

### Hosokawa Mechano-Chemical Bonding (MCB) followed by Ball Milling (BM)

- For MCB, powders are subjected to substantial compression, shear, mechanical forces under high rotating condition (~4000 rpm)
- Enable particles to be dispersed uniformly and bonded onto base(host) particles without using binders. Improved particle sphericity



Kang, B.S., Chyu, M.K., Alvin, M.A., and Gleeson, B.M, "Method of Producing an Oxide Dispersion Strengthened Coating and Micro-Channels," US Patent 8609187 B1, 17, 2013



**SEM micrographs of MCB processed powder sample A1 and A2** (a). Sample A1; (b) close view of (a); (c) sample A2; (d): close view of (c)

## **ODS Powder Characterization**

TEM BF and HREM imaging - A1 Sample



- > TEM BF image (a) shows a layer of  $Y_2O_3$  thin film with thickness about 25nm around the edge of particle. The film thickness is relatively homogeneous.
- HREM image (b) shows the fine structure of the thin film. Most area of the film is amorphous and the corresponding FFT (Fast Fourier Transform) image show the diffusive feature.
- There is crystal structure within film as FFT indicated. The embedded FFT shows the spots and image shows the orientation fringe. The growth of film may involve crystallization of Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.



MCB processed ODS powders images, (a) TEM BF, (b) HR TEM, (c) STEM EDX



SEM micrographs of milled ODS powders for (a) 5 hrs, (b) 40 hrs, (c) 60 hrs, (d) 120 hrs, and (e) XRD spectrum.

# **ODS** Powder Fabrication Optimization

#### **BPR: 10, MCB + 25 hours BM**



#### **BPR: 30, MCB + 45 hours BM**



15.0kV 12.0mm x1.80k SE(M)

#### **BPR: 15, MCB + 15 hours BM**



#### **BPR:30, MCB + 15 hours BM**



\*\*BPR: Ball to Powder Ratio TIONAL ENERGY TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY

## **XRD Characterization – Effect of BPR and Time**



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# Task 4: Microstructural and Mechanical Properties Evaluations

**Objective:** Characterize the **microstructural** and **mechanical** properties of ODS coating under high temperature condition

#### Approach

- Advanced microstructural characterization
  - OM, EDX, XRD, SEM, TEM
- Micro-indentation using in-house test rig
- Thermal cyclic tests



Controlled environment high temperature micro-indentation system (WVU)

#### Sample

ODS Coating layers on flat plate substrates



#### Gridding and Cutting of ODS Coated Coupons



Schematic of the cyclic thermal exposure apparatus setup (WVU)

## **Isothermal Oxidation Testing**



\*\*Gamma Prime ( $\gamma$ ): This phase constitutes the precipitate used to strengthen the alloy. It is an intermetallic phase based on Ni3(Ti,AI) which have an ordered FCC L12 structure

### Thermal Cyclic Testing\*\*

#### **Comparison of Measured Surface Mechanical Property (Young's modulus)**

	200 W	150 W	100 W	Substrate
As-received	174.4	173.8	227.6	126.5
15 cycles	141.5	80.9		100.2
40 cycles 1	132.1	85.5		109.1
	143.0	86.8		
80 cycles	113.2	59.4	57.3	58.7
	113.0	58.4	57.4	61.0
				56.2
160 cycles	110.3	68.8	62.4	
	135.4	65.4	61.2	
	118.2			
240 cycles	210.0	72.0		
	213.5	88.8		
360 cycles	197.3	123.4		123
	181.5	136.1		125.7
480 cycles	250.5	100.5	63.8	124.9
	229.4	98.2	59.0	141.7
600 cycles	183.0	84.7	163.6	124.6
	225.0	96.5	139.0	140.2
720 cycles	201.5	176.5	116.1	155.8
	205.4	200.4		168.9
1040 cycles	194.6			99.3
	188.7			92.9

# AM-assisted ODS coating on M247 superalloy substrate



In-situ micro-indentation stiffness response of APS/MCrAlY/RenéN5 coupon under cyclic oxidation room to 1100°C under air and wet (80% steam/20%  $CO_2$ ) conditions

\*\* Each cycle consists of moving test sample to the furnace within 15 minute and kept at 1100 °C for 45 minutes and moved out within 15 minutes, kept for 45 minute at room temperature.

### Stable alpha Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> oxide layer at 240 cycles



### 200w – 1040 thermal cycles





275W – 40 thermal cycles











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# Task 5: Detailed Experimental Measurements and Validation



Conduct HT/P testing at 1100°C demonstrating ~50-70% enhancement of NSECC over smooth channel and pin-fin arrays

- > Further optimization of the NSECC configuration for enhanced cooling performance
- Address additive manufacturing capabilities for production of parts

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## Summary

- Reporting period (10/01/2015-10/31/2016)
- A batch of near surface embedded cooling channels (NSECC) were developed and characterized. Complex geometric features fabricated by AM could provide coolant air to near surface regions while significantly enhance the transfer enhancement of internal cooling for turbine blades.
  - Long-term isothermal and cyclic thermo-loading tests of AM-assisted ODS coating on MAR 247 substrate were conducted. Existence of gamma prime phase in AM-assisted ODS coating is confirmed. Growth and coarsening of primary and secondary gamma prime phase on the ODS/M247 system were studied. Test results demonstrate that AM-assisted ODS coating can be considered as a structural coating applicable to critical gas turbine components under HT and corrosive environments.

Further research efforts are needed to cover research issues such as:

Stable oxide formation mechanism – oxidation kinetics of non-equilibrium material system

ODS power optimized for AM applications

Model-based AM Processes – 3D manufacturing optimization, scale-up route, cost, etc.

Thank You!







