

# Using Cold Spray to Add Features to Components

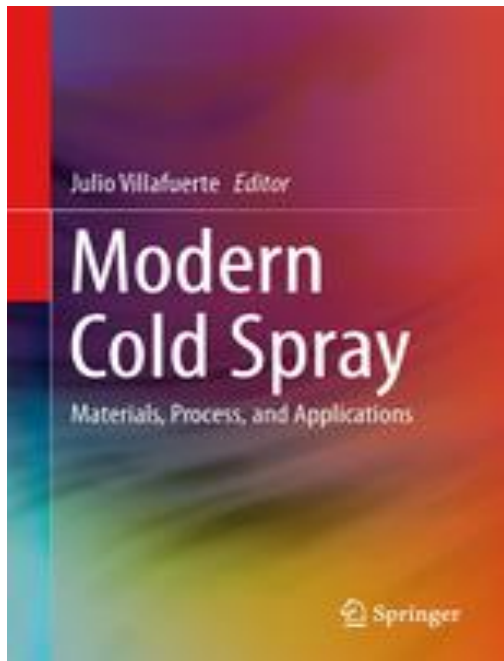


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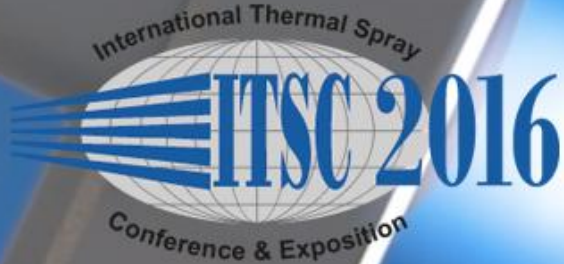
# Modern Cold Spray Materials, Process, and Applications

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**Company Overview**

**Cold Spray**

**Additive Consolidation Applications**

**Food for thought**

**Questions**

# CenterLine (Windsor) Limited



- Privately held corporation, founded in 1957 with current annual sales > \$150M
- Over 250,000 sq ft. of manufacturing space & 700 employees
- Centered on **metal joining** and **metal consolidating** technologies from *components to turnkey solutions*
- Numerous patented products and proprietary brand products.

# Locations



- Machinery Division
- Automation Components Division
- Electrodes & Allied Products Division
- Supersonic Spray Technologies Division
- CenterLine Welding Products, Inc.
- CenterLine SE USA Sales Office

- CenterLine Mexico
- CenterLine-Seubert GmbH
- CenterLine Romania SRL
- CenterLine Brasil Ltda.
- CenterLine India Pvt. Ltd.
- CenterLine China (Oct 2013)



# Components to Turnkey

- ✓ Vertically integrated
- ✓ Uniquely supplies a complete range of products in support of a wide variety of metal joining and coating processes.



Custom Automation Systems

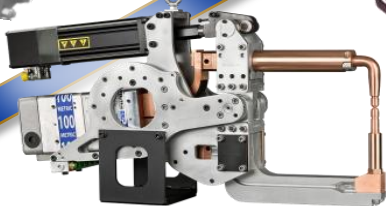
Standard Turnkey Automation Products



Actuators - Air, Air/oil, and servo



Consumables caps, electrodes, nut welding



Weldguns (fixture, robotics, hand-held)



Index Tables, Tooling & Fixtures



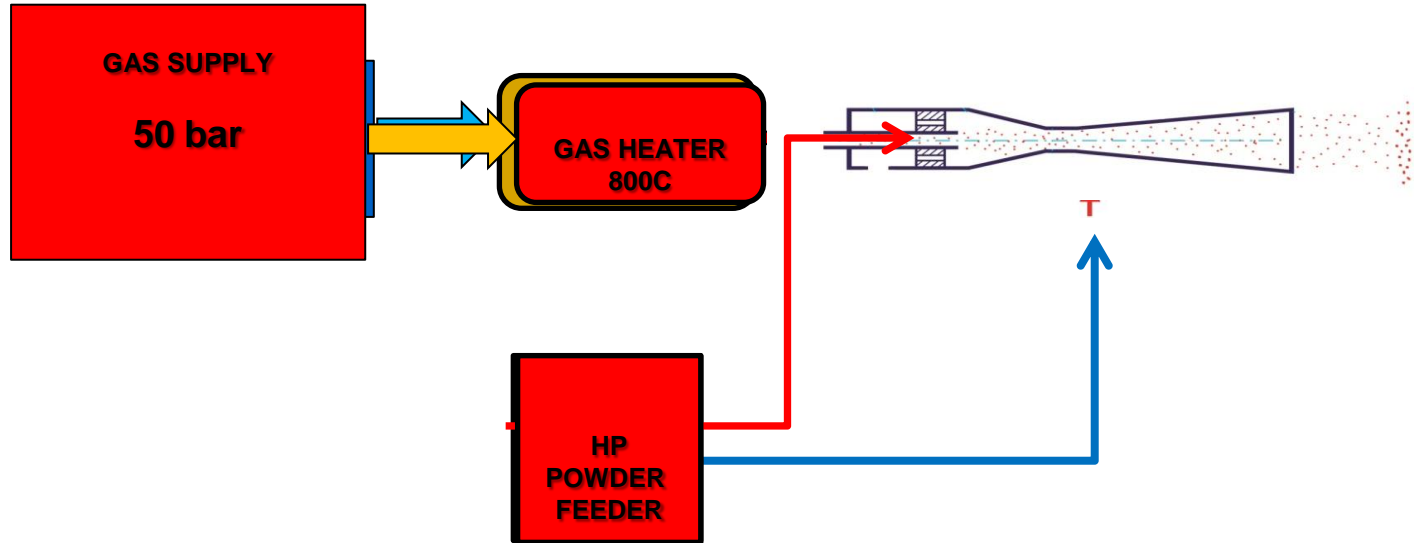
Cold Spray Systems

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# Commercial Cold Spray Systems

UPSTREAM INJECTION

DOWNSTREAM INJECTION



# SST Cold Spray Guns

***SERIES P Portable***  
***250 psi – 3.8KW***



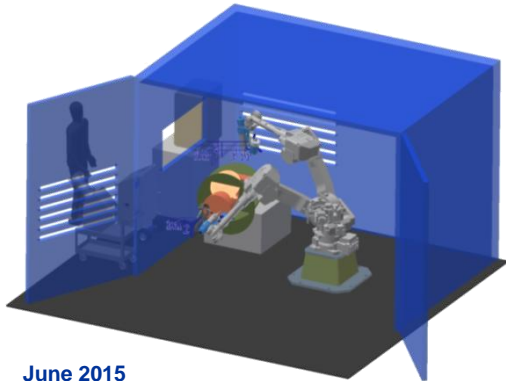
***SERIES P Robotic***  
***250 psi - 4.2KW***



***SERIES EP Robotic***  
***500 psi – 15 KW***



# SST Turnkey Spray Cabinets / Booths



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# SST Cold Spray Consumables & Auxiliary

## *Consumables*



## *Auxiliary Equipment*



## SST™ Powders



- Developed and manufactured by SST
- Made and stored in our environmentally controlled clean room



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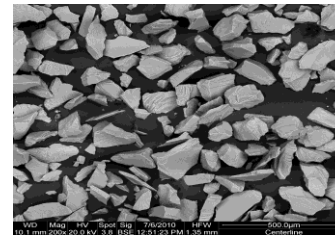
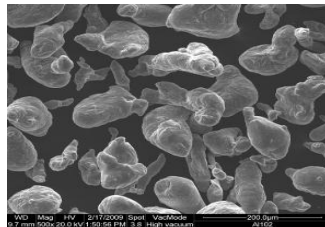
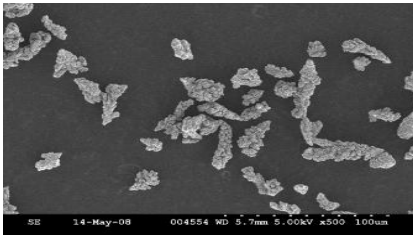
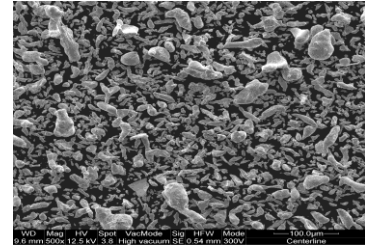
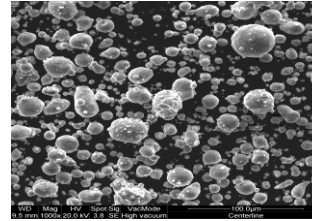
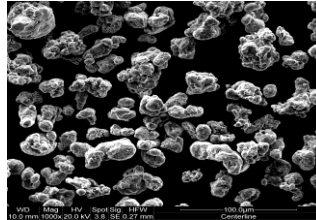
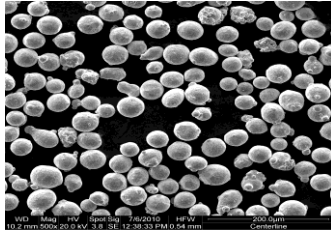
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# Cold Spray

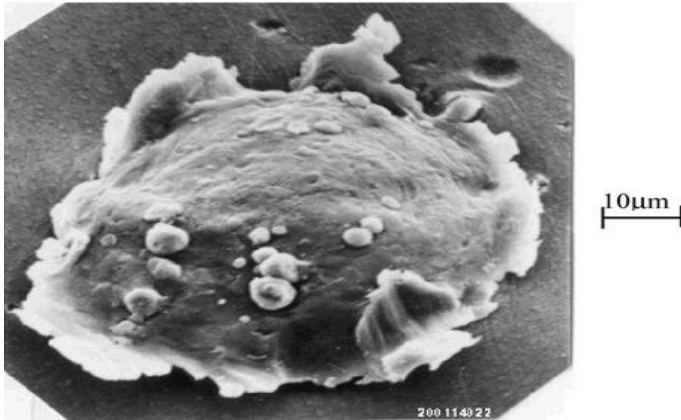
- **POWDERS** of Pure Metals, Alloys, Metal /Metal, Metal /Ceramic, Metal/Cermet, Metal /Polymers
- Introduced into a cold, high speed gas jet and directed towards a substrate that can be Metal, Ceramic, Glass, Polymeric\* or Composite



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# Cold Spray

- Kinetic energy of accelerated particles produces a combination of mechanical and metallurgical bonding upon impact with substrate



Operating temperatures  
are well below the  
melting points of coating  
and substrate materials

# Cold Spray Advantages

- **No Thermal Effects**
- **No Metallurgical transformations, phase change, grain growth**
- **No thermally induced distortion**
- **No Oxidation**
- **High Density (>99.5%) – controlled porosity**
- **Strain hardening**
- **No detrimental Residual Stresses**
- **Thick deposits, free forms**
- **Minimum surface preparation**
- **Well defined spray footprint – No overspray - No masking**

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# Cold Spray Specifications

METRIC

MIL-STD-3021  
w/CHANGE 2  
4 March 2015  
SUPERSEDING  
MIL-STD-3021  
w/CHANGE 1  
13 July 2011

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MANUFACTURING PROCESS STANDARD

### MATERIALS DEPOSITION, COLD SPRAY



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AREA MFFP

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# Cold Spray Specifications

**Honeywell**



GE  
Energy

- Honeywell Aerospace
  - Caterpillar Inc
  - GE Energy
  - Detroit Diesel
- Hamilton Sundstrand
- Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation



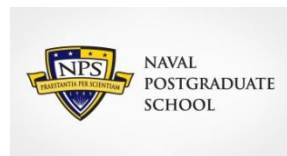
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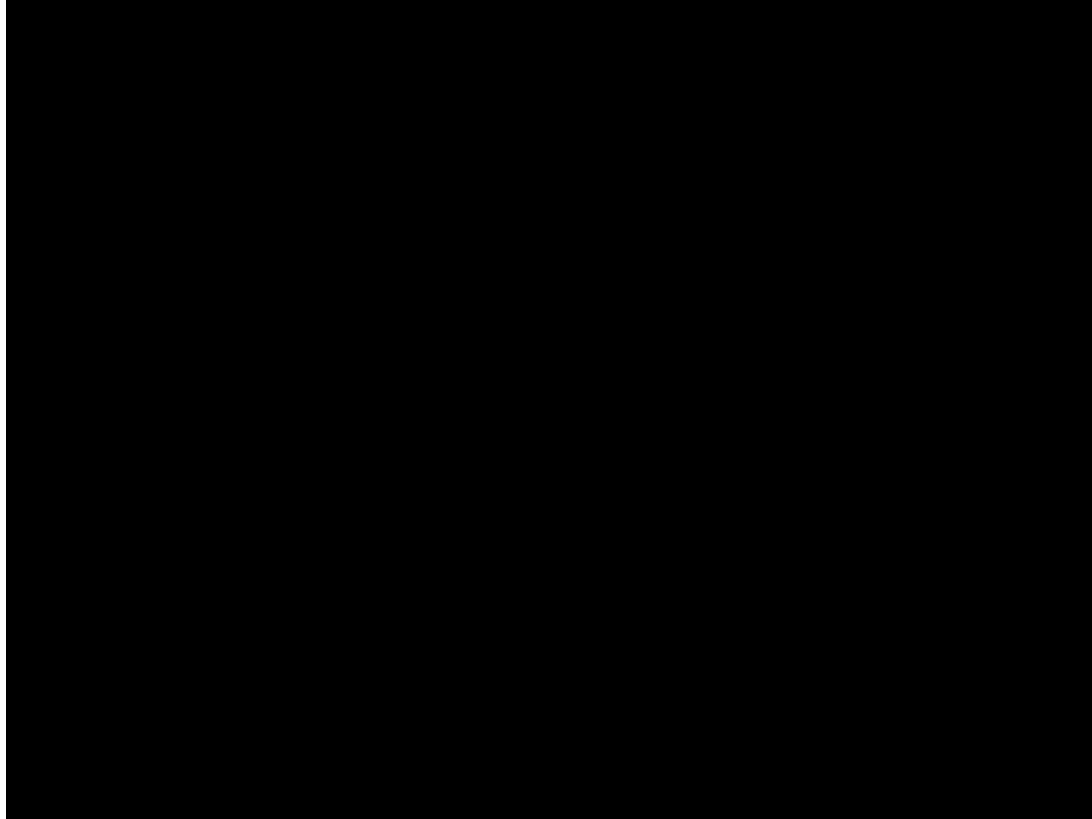
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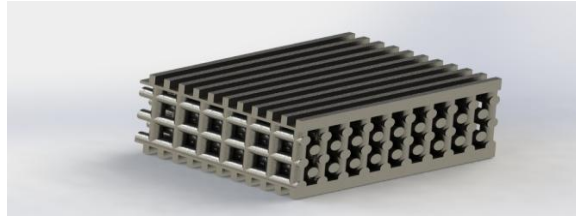
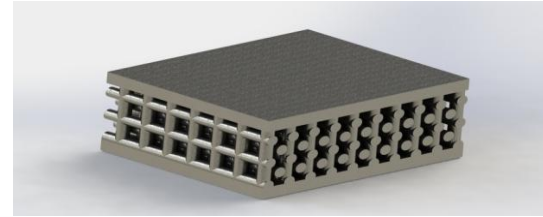
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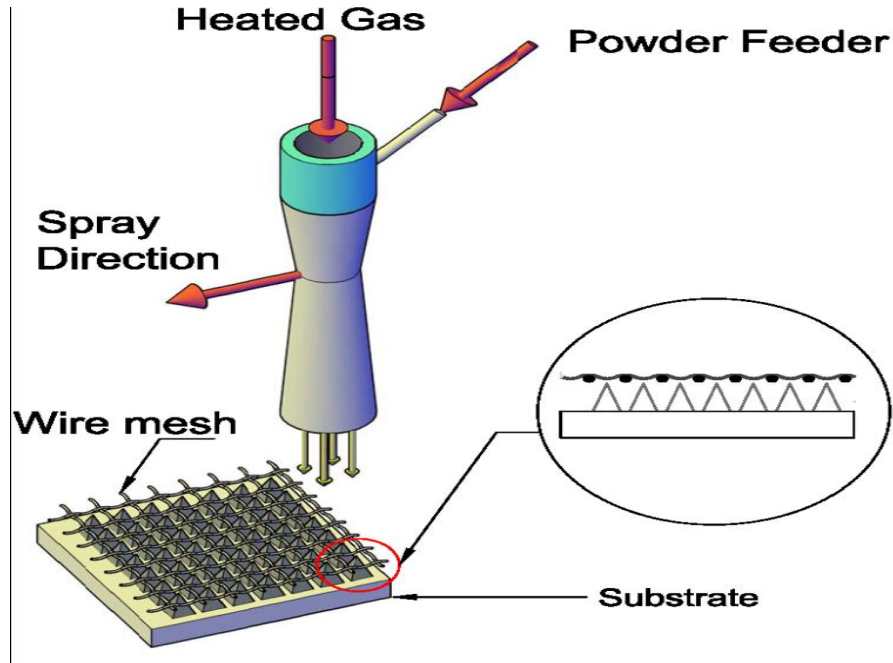
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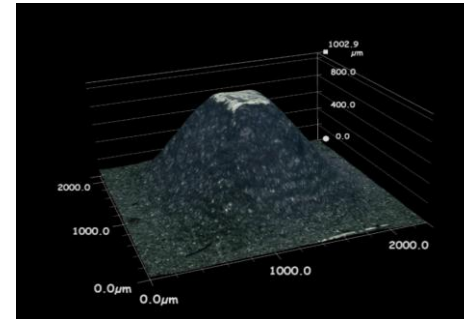
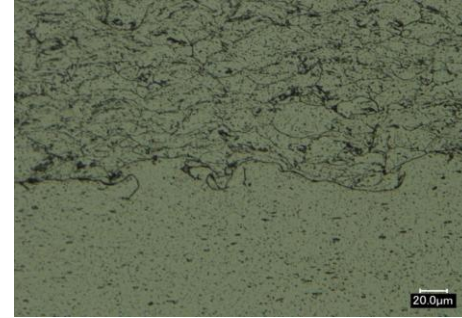
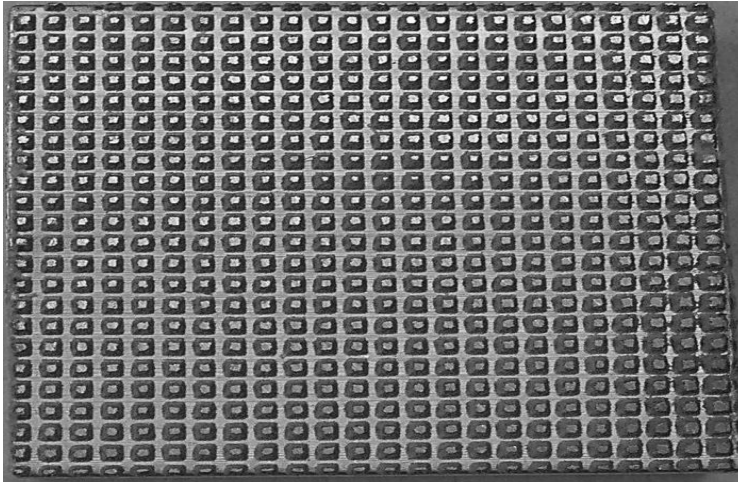
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## The Problem

- Pre production Cam Shaft Bearing Cap.
- Cap Lift of and Oil Leak (see Figure 1).
- No thermal distortion to the component during the corrective process.

## The Solution

- The SST Cold Spray coating technology was selected.
- First surface prepared using 80 grit aluminum oxide blast media
- Then sprayed with CenterLine's SST-A0027 aluminum blend material (see Figure 2).



Figure 1 – Original Bearing Cap

Oil Leak



Figure 2 – SST Cold Sprayed

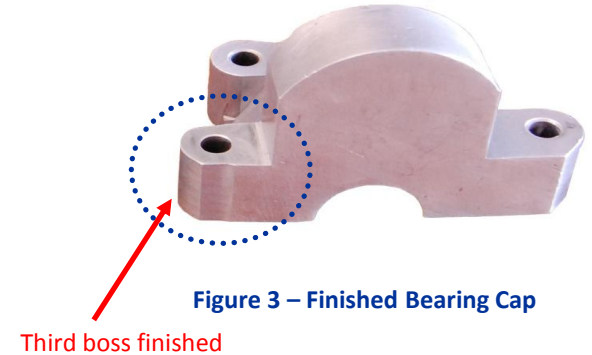
Third boss as sprayed

## The FINISHING

➤ Finish machining process was performed by CenterLine (see Figure 3).

## Customer Benefits

- final test components passed the customer's quality and performance specifications
- The rapid turnaround time allowed the initial production schedule to be maintained
- Saving the customer 8 to 10 weeks in their engine test program



## The Problem

- Fully machined Engine blocks
- Customer needed threaded bosses for Knock sensor testing (see Figure 1).
- No thermal distortion to the component during the corrective process.

## The Solution

- The SST Cold Spray coating technology was selected.
- Then sprayed with CenterLine's SST-A0027 aluminum blend material in four locations (see Figure 2).



Figure 1 – Machined Engine block



Figure 2 – SST Cold Sprayed

## The FINISHING

➤ Finish machining process was performed by CenterLine (see Figure 3).

## Customer Benefits

➤ The customer has determined where the best location for the sensor is and will modify more blocks with the single boss for further testing. This process salvaged the machined blocks with minimal delay in the test program saving them Time and Thousands of dollars

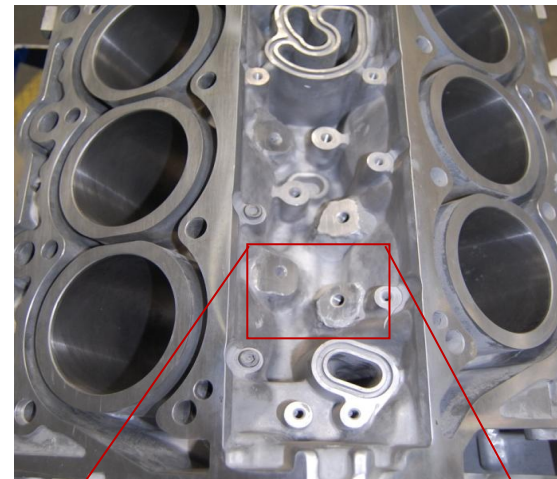


Figure 3 – Spot faced , drilled, & Tapped

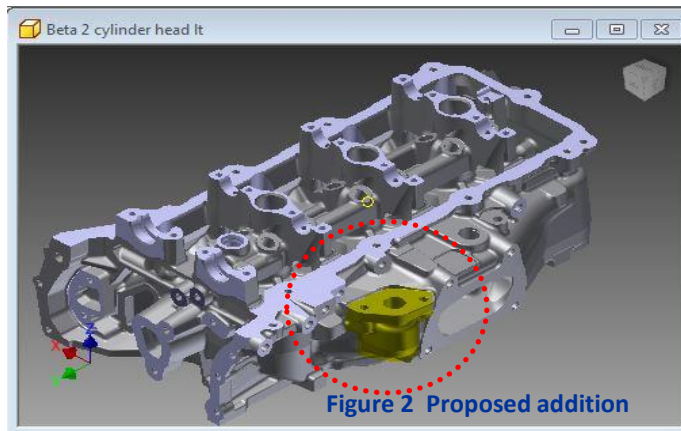
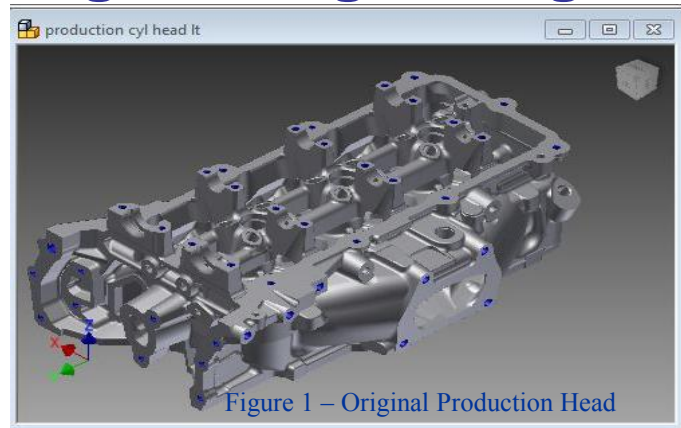


## The Problem

- Pre production Head .
- Without EGR Boss Flange(see Figure 1).
- Proposed EGR Flange addition (see Figure 2).
- No thermal distortion to the component during the corrective process.

## The Solution

- The SST Cold Spray coating technology was selected.
- Then sprayed with CenterLine's SST-A0027 aluminum blend material
- Build up Area and machine to math model



## Build up flange area

- With a Manual Cold Spray Gun the Flange area was added (see Figure 3 & 4).



Figure 3 – Manual Build up of Area

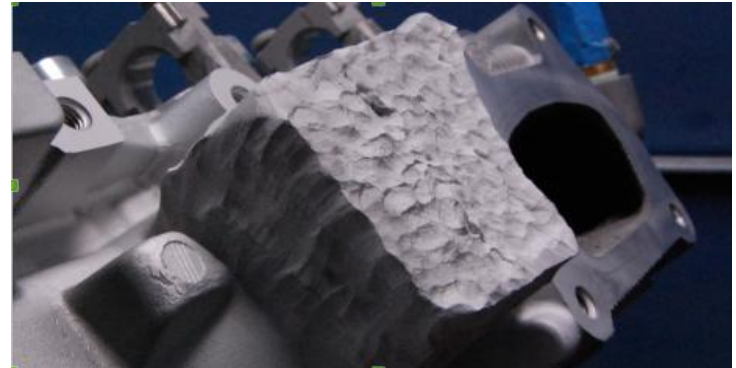


Figure 4 – Manual Build up of Area

## The FINISHING

- Finish machining process was performed by CenterLine (see Figure 5 & 6).
- Cross drilled and Taped for pipe plug



## Customer Benefits

- The use of an existing production part saved a lot of time and money to produce a prototype part

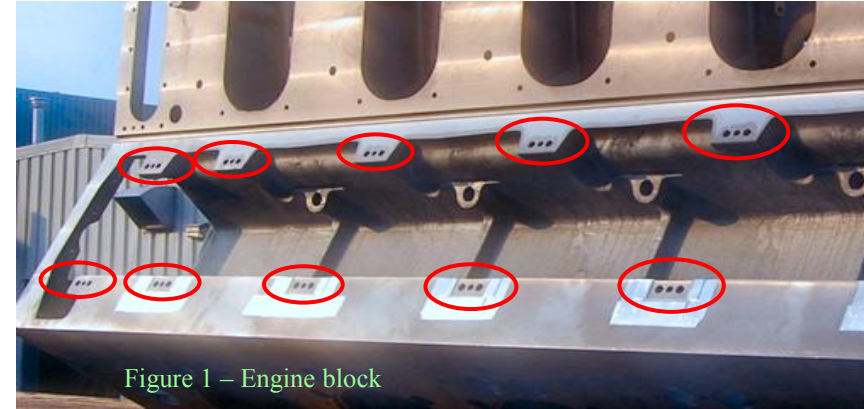


## The Problem

- Cam Shaft Mounting surfaces out of Spec by .015"
- Block was fully machined
- No thermal distortion to the component during the corrective process.

## The Solution

- The SST Cold Spray coating technology was selected.
- Then sprayed with CenterLine's SST-N0056 Nickel blend material (see Figure 2).



## Customer Benefits

The customer was extremely pleased with the final result of this application since the repair did not introduce component distortions, and the part could be finished using standard machining practices. (see Figure 3).

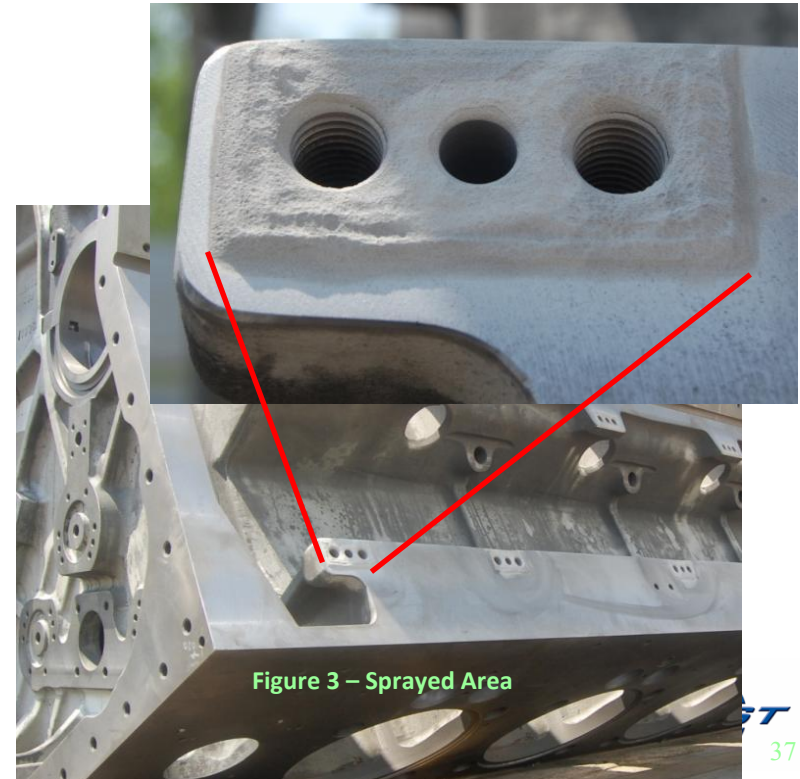


Figure 3 – Sprayed Area

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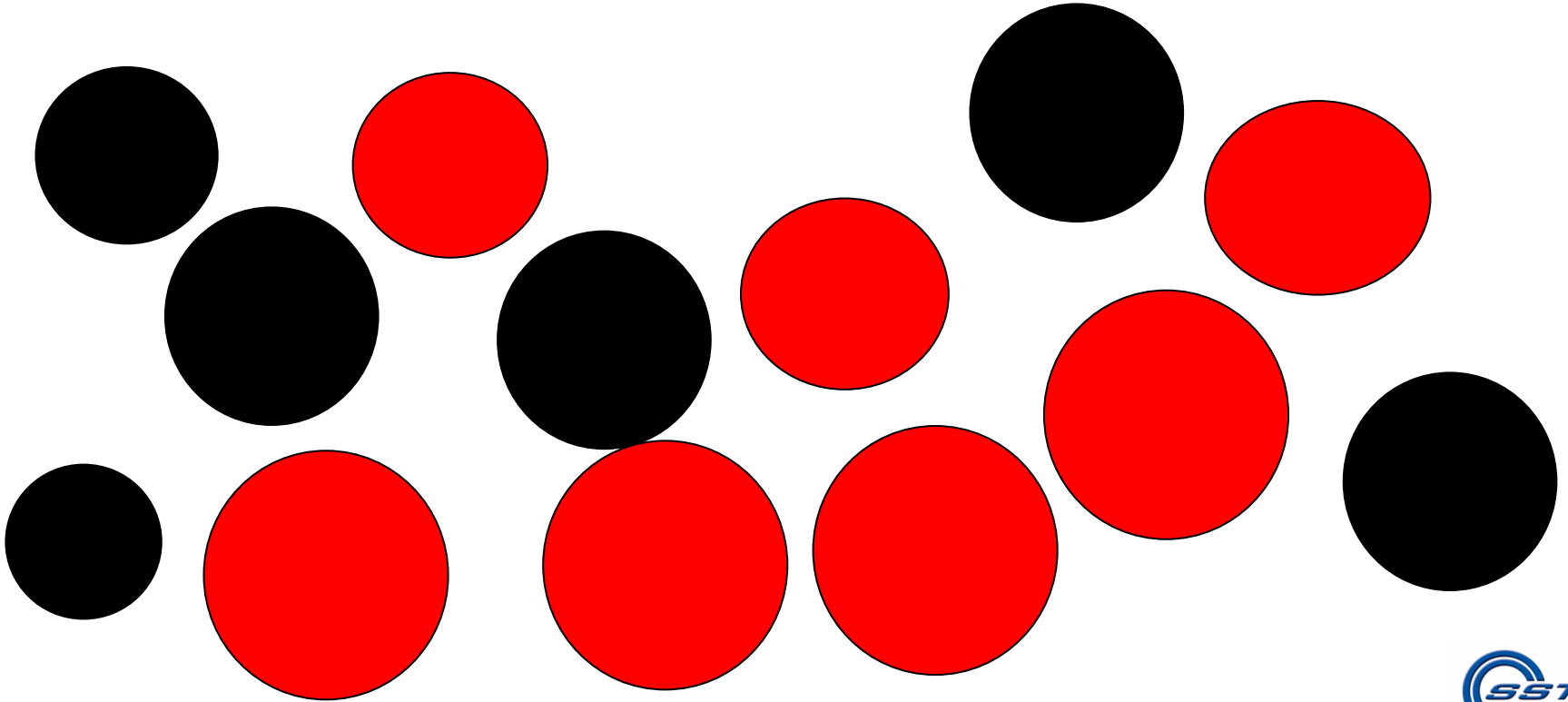
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# Cold Spray-ability and powder engineering

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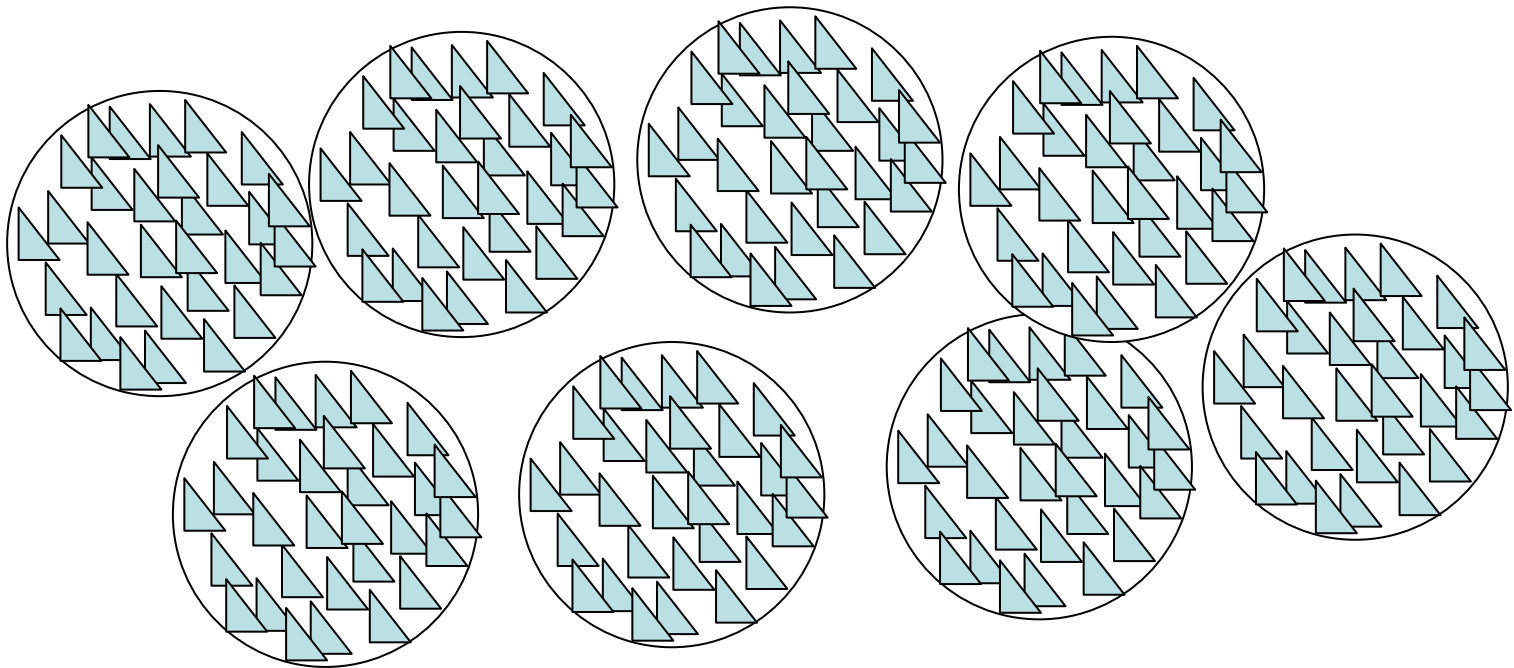
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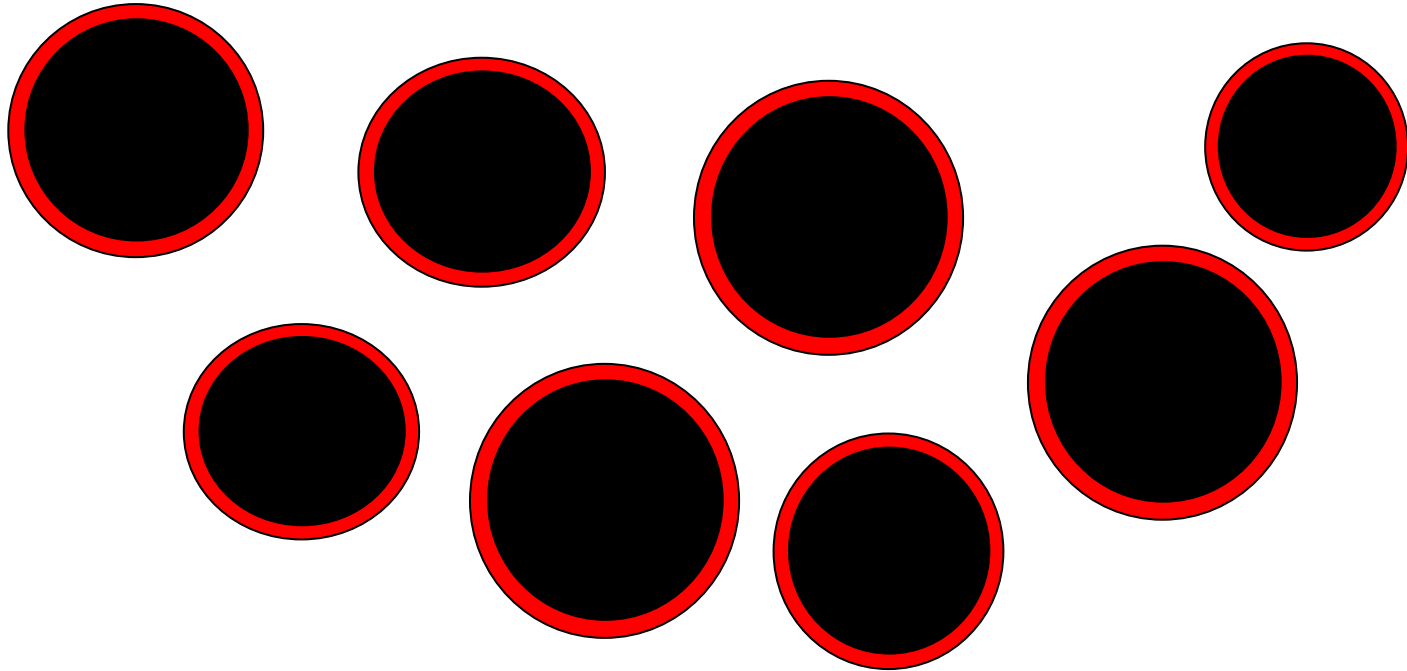
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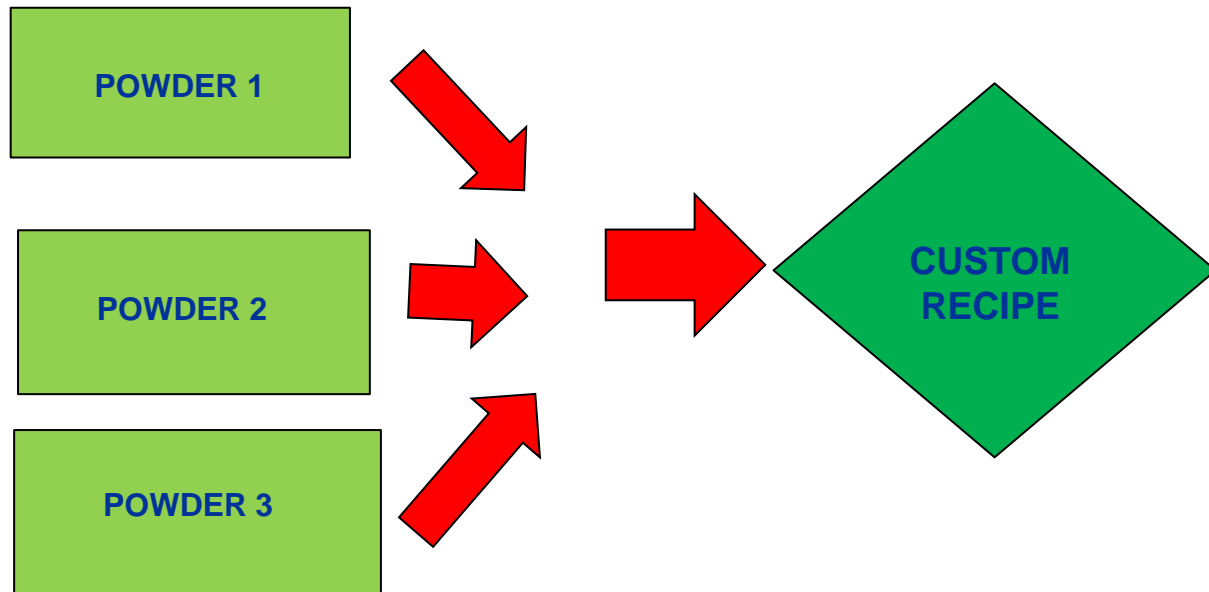
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# COATED PARTICLES

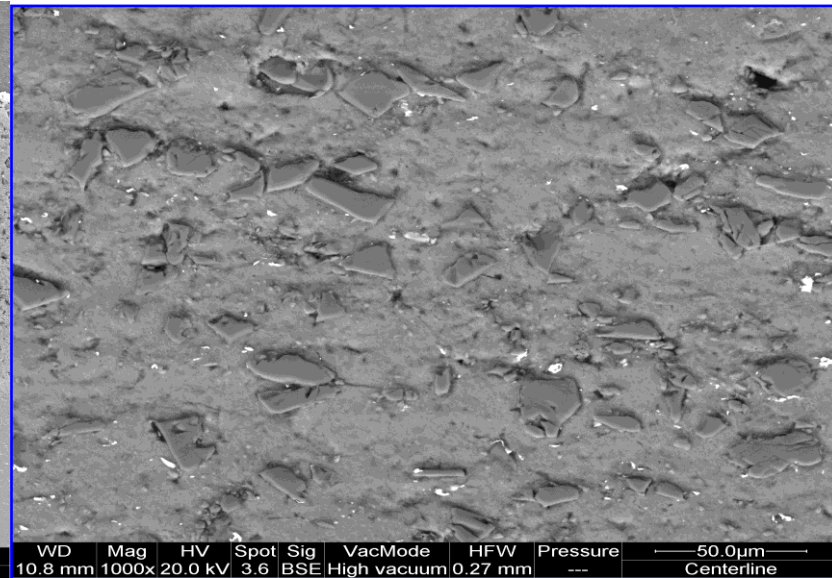
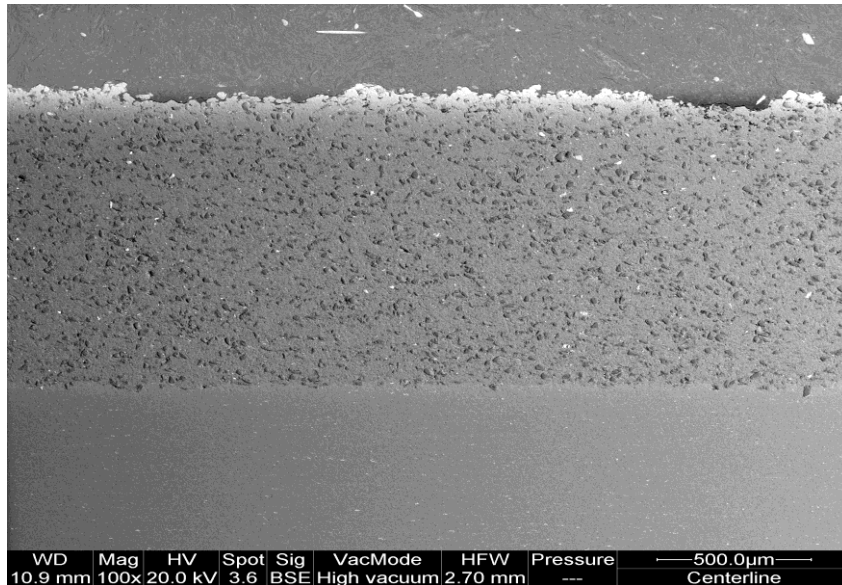


# BLENDING



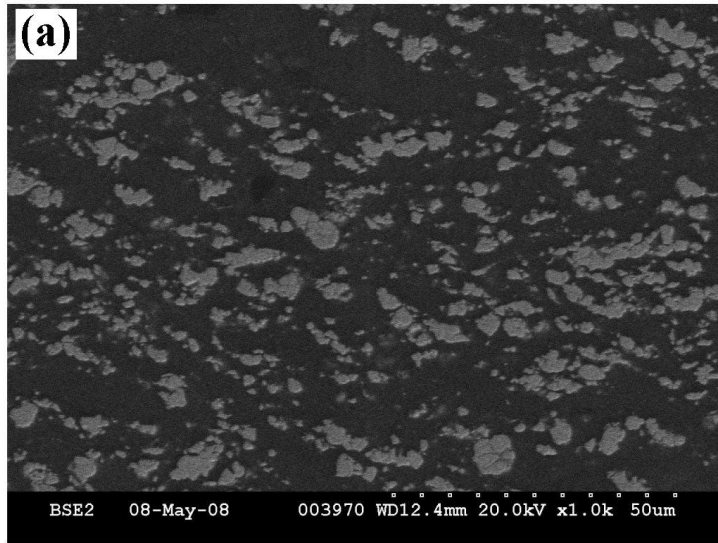
# Al-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (SST A0050)

Compressed Air 95-110 psi  
Temperature 350 – 450C

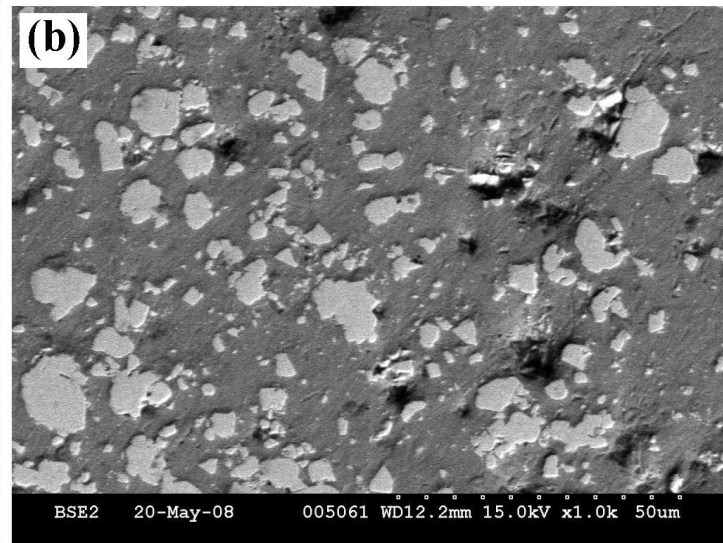


# Coated WC Particles

Compressed Air 80-90 psi  
Temperature 375 – 550C



Aluminum coated WC particles (14-25 micron)



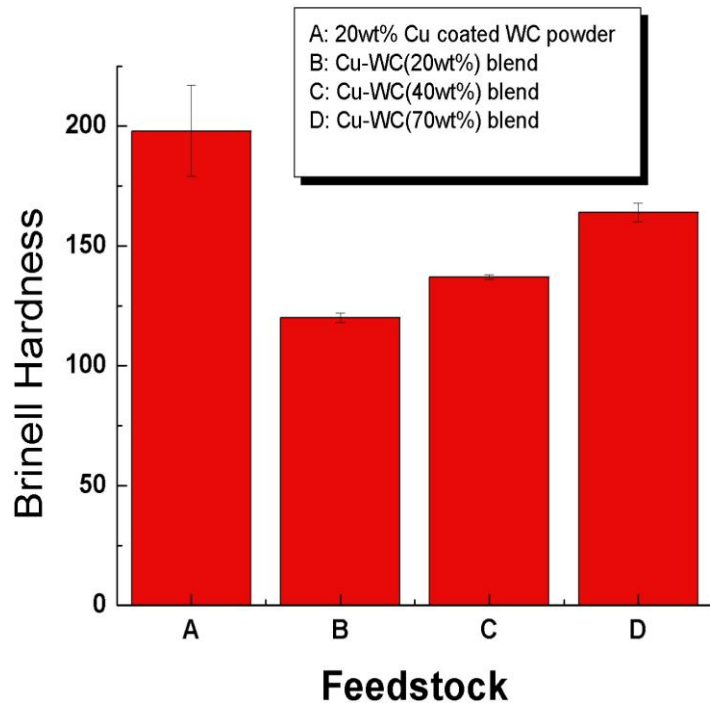
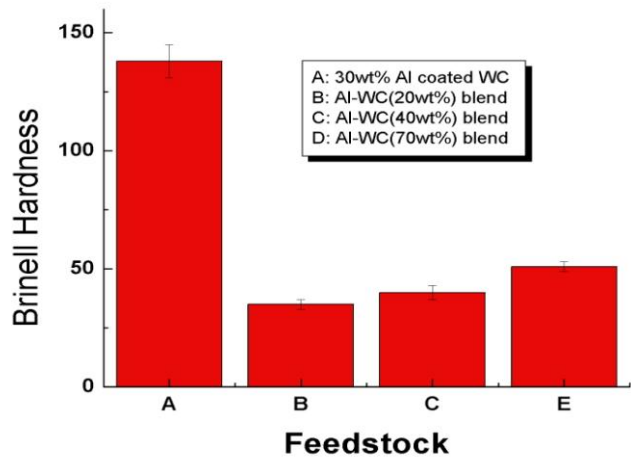
Copper coated WC particles (14-25 micron)

*J. Wang, J. Villafuerte, Low pressure cold spraying of tungsten carbide composite coatings", Adv. Mater. Process. ASM International 2009, 167 (2), pp 54-56*

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# Coated WC vs Blends



# How small is small for Cold Spray Nozzles? for precise deposition of metals

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## SST 4 mm exit diameter nozzle

- *1.5 mm DeLaval Orifice*
- *4.0 mm Exit diameter*



# Summary

- Cold spray is another method for metal consolidation with a special appeal to additive manufacturing because of its low temperature application
- At its current state, cold spray may fit into the 3D additive restoration world to near shape forms, where a finishing machining operation is required to complete the task.



# QUESTIONS?

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