# 2Component-Powder Injection Molding (2C-PIM)

# Activity 4: Material Technologies

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# **Objective**



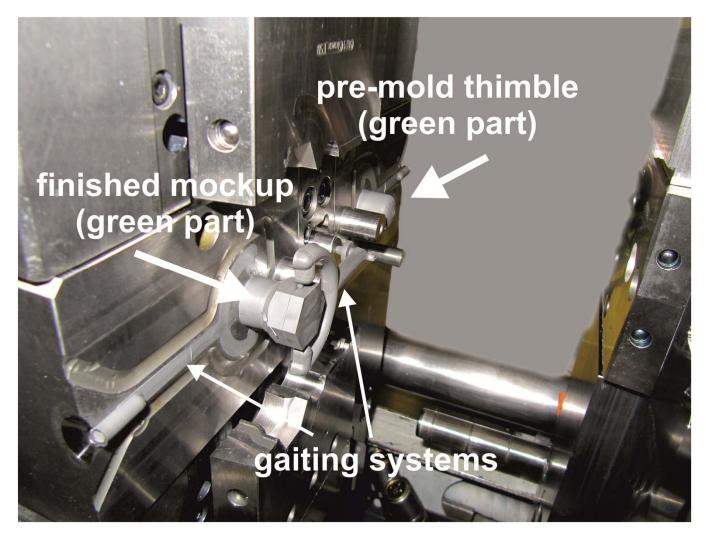
→ Investigation of multi-phase PIM to extend the fabrication process for more complex functional high heat flux parts

- (1) Implementing of the new 2Component-PIM (2C-PIM) tool
- (2) Producing of 2C-PIM parts:
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- (3) Modulate of the Heat-treatment process
- (4) Characterization of the joining zone quality
- (5) Integration of interlayer within 2C-PIM



# (1) Implementing of the new 2C-PIM tool





# (2) Producing of 2C-PIM parts



#### **Fully automatic mass production of parts:**

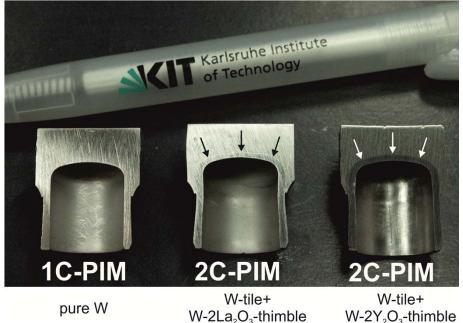
**50 SECONDS** for 1 Mockup



S. Antusch et al., Fusion Engineering and Design (2012) submitted.

# (4) Characterization

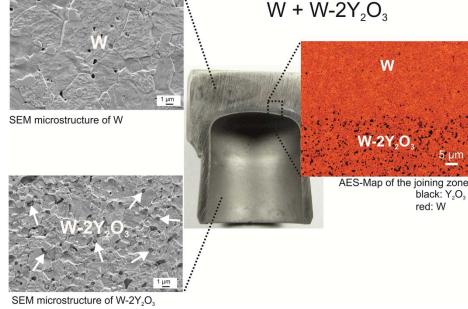




Joining without brazing

High quality of the joint

Material connection are successful



No gaps or cracks in the seam of the joining zone

S. Antusch et al., Journal of Nuclear Materials (2012) submitted.

#### **Conclusions**

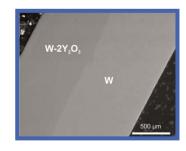


#### Powder Injection Molding = tool

#### → Near-net-shape forming process for parts and components



→ Joining technique



W-PIM matrix

W-mesh

SEM microstruture of the interlayer

W-mesh

→ Material development

# **Outlook Work Programme for 2013**



#### **Goal 2013: Development of a multiphase PIM tool**

- (1) Development of new Designs for HC + WC Divertor (in close Cooperation with CCFE)
- (2) Engineering and design of a new multiphase PIM tool
- (3) Production of parts with the new tool
- (4) Adaption of the heat-treatment process (in close cooperation with PLANSEE SE)
- (5) Characterization of mechanical and physical properties (in close cooperation with OXFORD Materials)
- (6) HHF testing (in close cooperation with FZ Jülich and IPP Garching) and characterization after testing

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# Thank you very much!



