About this organisation

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The LLK deals with the characterisation, modelling and application of lightweight materials and structures. Efficient lightweight construction solutions are conceptualised, designed and developed using lightweight system construction combined with a design methodology. In research and development projects, the LLK can cover the areas of materials analysis, design and simulation, prototype production and experimental testing.

The fatigue strength behaviour of wrought magnesium alloys and the static and cyclic behaviour of cellular composites (glass foam granules in EP matrix) were investigated and modelled in research projects. The development and production of hybrid structures (hybrid hollow profiles, sandwiches) has made it possible to identify suitable applications for cellular composites. An Interreg project is currently researching the fatigue strength analysis for notched and formed magnesium sheets, the thermomechanical properties of intermetallics (TiAl) and cellular composites produced using T-RTM as well as GRP laminates with a polyamide matrix. The Materials Analysis Laboratory supports the development of lightweight materials using scanning electron microscopy, nano-computed tomography and plastics analysis (TGA, DSC, TMA, DMA). Bilateral cooperations range from material and component testing to experimental durability analysis of structures up to 8 tonnes.

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Organisation type

University or higher education institution



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Main areas covered	Fatigue strength Mg wrought alloy, Damage to cellular composites, TMF high-temperature materials, TiAl, Development of hybrid structures, T-RTM, composites, sandwich elements	
Infrastructure	Servohydraul. Test benches 7-160kN, Universal tensile testing machines 20-150kN, Swing foundation, 2.5x6m span, Environmental simulation (temp., humidity), REM, CT, TMA, DMA TGA, DSC	
Certifications		
Keywords	Material analysis and modelling, Testing and testing technology, Lightweight construction, simulation, Lightweight materials, production, Lightweight system construction, connection technology	
Memberships		

Overview of lightweighting expertise

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		N	lanufacturing
	Research	Development	& Supply
Offer			
Products			
Services & consulting Training, Testing and trials, Engineering, Validation, Simulation	\checkmark	\checkmark	

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	Research	Manufacturin Development & Supply	g
Field of technology			
Design & layout Lightweight manufacturing, Lightweight design, Hybrid structures, Lightweight construction concepts, Lightweight material construction	~	\checkmark	
Functional integration			
Measuring and testing technology Component and part analysis, Visual analysis (e.g. microscopy, metallography), System analysis, Environmental simulation, Materials analysis, Destructive analysis, Non-destructive analysis, Others (Fatigue strength test)	~	\checkmark	
Modelling and simulation Crash behaviour, Loads & stress, Structural mechanics, Materials, Reliability validation, Others (Fatigue strength analyses)	~	\checkmark	
Plant construction & automation			
Recycling technologies			

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	Research	N Development	Manufacturing & Supply
Manufacturing process			
Additive manufacturing 3D printing		\checkmark	
Coating (surface engineering)			
Fibre composite technology Resin transfer moulding, Others (T-RTM)	\checkmark		
Forming Bending, Compression moulding, Thermal converting, Others (Forming of Mg sheets)	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Joining			
Material property alteration Heat treatment	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Primary forming			
Processing and separating			
Textile technology			

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	Research	N Development	lanufacturing & Supply
Material			
Biogenic materials			
Cellular materials (foam materials) Closed-pore, Syntactic foams	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Composites Glass-fiber reinforced plastics (GFRP), Carbon- fiber reinforced plastics (CFRP), Others (cellular composites (glass foam granules in epoxy or PA6 matrix))	~	~	
Fibres Glass fibres, Carbon fibres		\checkmark	
Functional materials			
Metals Aluminium, Intermetallic alloys, Magnesium, Steel	\checkmark	~	
Plastics Thermoset plastics, Thermoplastics	\checkmark		
Structural ceramics			
(Technical) textiles			

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