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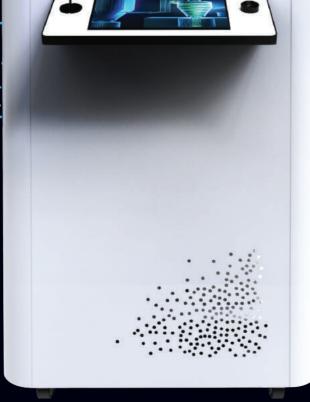
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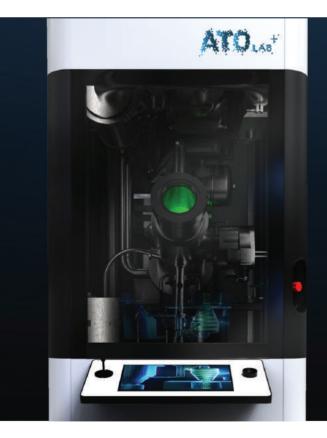
# COBEYOND THE STATE OF THE ART

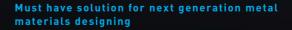
Open a new chapter in your research and development with ATO LAB. Design your alloy and quickly produce spherical metal powder with high flowability, which is perfect for your additive manufacturing and powder metallurgy needs.

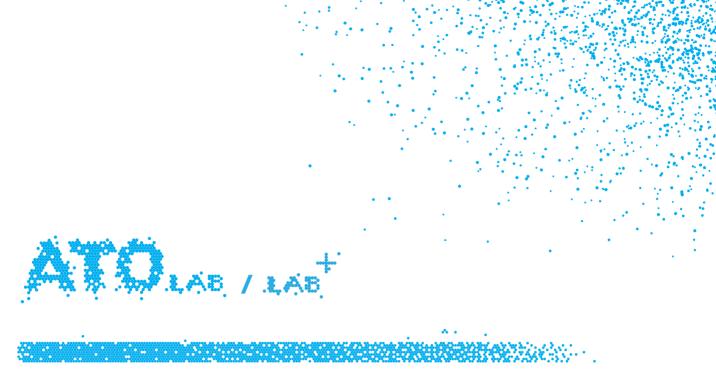
# D E S I G N E R P O W D E R M E T A L L U R G Y S O L U T I O N

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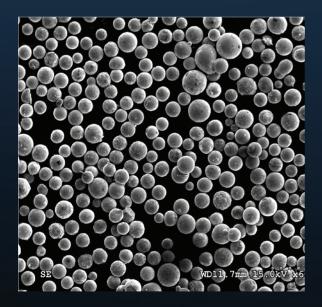
Our intensive development aimed at the optimization of the laboratory – used atomization process. It has resulted in a successful production of both reactive and non-reactive powders on a smaller, yet still completely self-sufficient scale. We have developed stable procedures for metals and their alloys such as: aluminum, titanium, stainless steel and lots more.

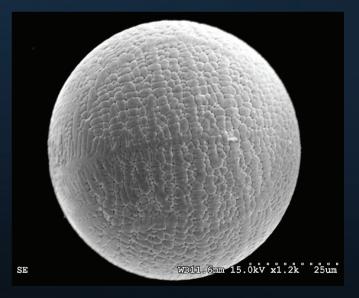






ATO LAB throughput reaches several hundered grams of metal powder with a particle size from 20 to 120  $\mu$ m, with optional subsequent procedures leading to the separation of desired powder fractions.





Unsieved, raw ATO LAB powder, note the uniform size and spherical shape of the particles

A spherical 316L steel powder particle produced in ATO LAB

# H I G H - E N D A T O M I Z A T I O N I N Y O U R L A B O R A T O R Y

ATO LAB has been designed by industry-oriented researchers aiming to overcome traditional atomisation limitations. ATO LAB has a compact form, making it possible for comfortable usage even in a limited space. Along with its innovative technology and no requirements for sophisticated infrastructure, it ensures exceptionally low operating costs and a quick return on the investment.

### NEW GENERATION ATOMIZER

ATO LAB is a unique, compact machine for metal powders production, using a novel ultrasonic atomization technology. This breakthrough solution allows you to quickly produce metal powders with high flowability and narrow particle size distribution.

### K E Y F E A T U R E S

- Highest quality powders
- Process flexibility
- No limitations on minimum powder quantity
- Wide range of alloys
- Cost-effective production
- Affordable price
- Scalable system structure

### SOFTWARE

Software quality lies at the heart of every user experience. Our team is aware of it and that is why we have equipped ATO LAB with our dedicated, versatile and user-friendly software. The operator can execute process using a conveniently placed touch screen. The purpose was to build a handy control system allowing for the independent adjustment of every process parameter, including the ultrasonic and melting units.

### ATO LAB PLUS - ADDITIONAL CAPABILITIES

New, highly advanced version ATO LAB PLUS with a vacuum pump system for quick right atmosphere preparation and an extremely low oxygen level to achieve the best possible chemical purity of the materials.

Well sealed process chamber allows us to produce reactive metal powders and their alloys such as: titanium or aluminum.

# NEW, MULTI BOLT ROD FEEDING SYSTEM

ATO LAB PLUS also extends productivity. New MBRFS module enables higher efficiency with a multi rod feeding mechanism, automated magazine for multiple bolt use in a single atomization process.

# A F F O R D A B L E P R I C E

In comparison with currently available atomization units, ATO LAB has considerably lower media consumption. The cost-effective process is not only smooth and rapid, but also economical. Its compact size and unique technical solutions enabled 3D Lab company to offer a highly competitive price for the device itself – ATO LAB is an exceptionally attractive offer for small to medium-sized companies, metal powder manufacturers and research institutions.

### ATO POWDER CAN ALSO BE USED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- Brazing
- Powder spraying
- Filters and foams
- Conventional powder metallurgy
- Laser cladding
- Chemical synthesis
- Catalysis

# SPECIFICATION

| GENERAL INFORMATION                    | ATO LAB  |
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| process                                | metal powder production  |
| technology                             | ultrasonic atomization   |
| melting method                         | TIG  |
| sonotrode type                         | half-wave nanoalloy sonotrode-patent pending                                   |
| inert gas flushing method              | purging  |
| cooling method                         | liquid   |
| processable materials                  | non reactive metal alloys<br>(e.g. stainless steel, inconel, iron)             |
| powder quality                         | high flowability, spherical particles shape,<br>narrow PSD, low oxygen content |
| PSD (particle size distribution)       | 20-120 um  |
| powder collecting system               | cyclone  |
| protective atmosphere preparation time | ↓15 min.   |
| input material                         | wire / rod (upgrade: SingleBoltFS)*  |
| certfication                           | CE   |

#### PARAMETERS

| ultrasonic frequency      | 35 kHz                 |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| O2 level (delta)          | ↓ 500 ppm              |
| system throughput         | up to 0.3 l/h          |
| machine weight (uncrated) | 600 kg.                |
| size (HxWxD)              | 1994 x 813 x 1138 [mm] |

#### REQUIREMENTS

| compress air station   |
|------------------------|
| Argon                  |
| 400V, 20 KVA / 3 phase |
| ultrasonic cleaner     |
| sieving unit           |
| external chiller       |
|                        |

| ATO LAB PLUS   |
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| metal powders production   |
| ultrasonic atomization   |
| TIG  |
| half-wave nanoalloy sonotrode - patent pending   |
| vacuum pump  |
| liquid   |
| non-reactive & reactive alloys (e.g. Ti, Al., Zr<br>alloys, intermetallics e.g. Zr-based bulk metalic<br>glass TiAl, NiAl, NiTi) and other refractory metals |
| high flowability, spherical particles shape,<br>narrow PSD, low oxygen content   |
| 20-120 um  |
| cyclone  |
| ↓5 min.  |
| wire / rod (upgrade: MultiBoltFS)**  |
| CE   |
|  |

| 35kHz (+ upgrade to higher frequency) |
|---------------------------------------|
| ↓ 150 ppm                             |
| up to 0.3 l/h                         |
| 600 kg.                               |
| 1994 x 813 x 1138 [mm]                |
|                                       |

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DISCOVER THE BREAKTHROUGH IN POWDER PRODUCTION

### SEE THE UNMATCHED PARTICLE QUALITY

Due to the ordered nature of the ultrasonic atomization process, the output powder has a very narrow particle size distribution, depending on the chosen ultrasound frequency. Since the material is melted directly on the surface of the atomizing unit, there is no risk of crucible-related impurities occurring in the product.

# TAKE YOUR PRODUCTION TO A NEW STAGE

Focused power sources make it possible to overcome the material melting point limitation. AFO LAB can use even very brittle or soft input material, as long as it is provided in the form of a wire or rods. Perfect for usage in small to medium-sized companies, new material development projects, and research institutions.

# WITH ATO IN YOUR LAB YOU WILL CHANGE THE WAY OF METAL POWDER PRODUCTION

#### RECIRCULATION\_ PUMP

gas-tight design keeps atmosphere oxygen - free during the process

#### PROCESS CHAMBER

designed to minimize powder left and keep compact size of the machine

#### TIG TORCH

welding arc is formed by a electrode and is maintained in a shielding gas covering

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the "vibration engine" brings energy necessary for melt atomization

TIG WELDING SOURCE robust power supply guarantees stable process while efficient IGBT inverter minimize energy loss

#### ULTRASONIC GENERATOR

powers up the transducer, advanced control system allows for full process monitoring

#### SONOTRODE

the very heart of the machine, build with patent pending technology and state-of-the-art nanoalloys, it provides unique process flexibility

#### FILTERS

designed to remove excessive fumes and allows to recirculate inert gas

#### CYCLONE

the element responsible for powder collection, it separates powder from inert gas







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