

**Roadmapping Workshop:
Measurement Science for Polymer-Based
Additive Manufacturing**

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**Report Out
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**Breakout Out Group:
Materials Characterization**



Desired AM Capabilities/Technologies

• Predictive Capabilities

- Correlation of materials properties with process parameters
- Prediction of material/mechanical properties from starting material characteristics

• Properties Databases

- Compatibility with conventional parts
- Shelf life of filaments
- High temp polymer chemical/performance data to integrate into design/predictive models

• PB Materials

- Ability to purchase standardized filament material
- Class of materials to replace injection-molded parts over long term
- How to tailor materials voxel-by-voxel

• Materials Processing/Printing

- True 3D printing
- Engineering control to get a range of properties from a single feedstock
- Printing processes/materials with no/less post-processing

• Life Cycle

- Understand cradle to grave impacts of PB AM materials
- Traceability of part, recycle history



Top-Voted Challenges/Priority Topics

- Standardized Materials – create reference materials, material standards for PB AM materials
- Closed Loop Systems – develop materials-machine parameter standards – could be platform for research grade equipment
- Large (ginormous) Variable Problem – understanding and resolving the important key variables, gaining key knowledge, data
 - Experimental data on part lifetime/aging
 - Impacts of process/materials parameters on finished part
- Materials Characterization – characterizing shear and other key properties contributing to non-equilibrium
- Benchmarking Materials – from nm to mesoscale, and at interfaces