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MATERIAL

Pure copper offers excellent conductivity but lacks strength and corrosion resistance for harsh environments. CuNi30 contains about 30% nickel, delivering superior resistance to seawater corrosion, stress cracking, and biofouling. This makes it ideal for heat exchangers, piping, and offshore components. While its electrical conductivity is lower than copper, CuNi30 provides a balanced combination of mechanical strength and durability, and excellent weldability. The alloy remains stable under high temperatures and pressure, ensuring long service life. To maintain corrosion performance, oxygen contamination during processing should be minimized. CuNi30 is a proven choice for demanding marine and industrial systems.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

ASTM B369 ¹										
	Cu	Pb	Fe	Ni	Mn	Si	Nb	P	S	C
Min.	Bal.		0.25	28.0			0.50			
Max.		0.01	1.5	32.0	1.5	0.50	1.5	0.02	0.02	0.15

ASTM B505 ²										
	Cu	Pb	Fe	Ni	Mn	Si	Nb	P	S	C
Min.	65.0		0.25	28.0			0.5			
Max.	69.0	0.03	1.50	32.0	1.5	-	1.5	0.02	0.02	0.15

POWDER PROPERTIES

Particle Size ¹	15 - 63 μm
Mass Density ²	≈ 8.94 g/cm ³
Particle Shape ³	Spherical

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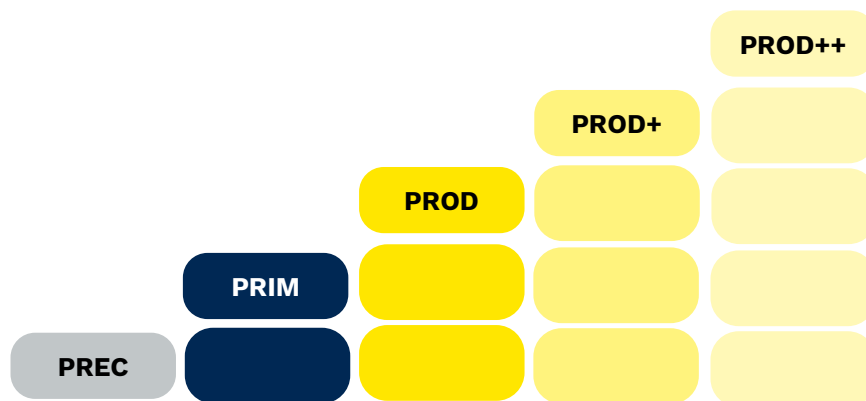
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NIKON SLM® PARAMETERS

It only takes 3 tools to make you successful with metal additive manufacturing:

1. The **NIKON SLM® machine** fitting your needs,
2. The **metal powder** that defines the later purpose and functionality of a part,
3. Precisely engineered **NIKON SLM® parameters** as the missing link.

Our open parameters are the result of our vast experience in multi-laser technology and a diligent development and qualification procedure. They are key to produce fully functional parts with properties you can expect and rely on – whether you are new to AM or a large-scale production operator. We offer them to you in the following categories: **Precision (PREC)** for high-resolution complex details, **Prime (PRIM)** for balanced properties with improved productivity and **Productivity (PROD)** for the highest build rates. Pushing boundaries is in our work culture, we can also offer a new dimension of productivity on selected materials with **Productivity+ (PROD+)** and **Productivity++ (PROD++)** parameters.



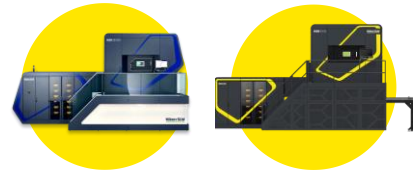
MATERIAL QUALIFICATION

As one of the inventors of the selective laser melting process, we impose the most comprehensive test procedures on ourselves: hundreds of samples, multiple systems, various powder batches, numerous heat-treatments, machined vs. near-net-shape tensile specimens, several surface roughness conditions and angles, fatigue behavior, corrosion investigation, creep testing... Did we miss anything? Get in touch with us!

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NXG PRIME

Parameter Set	CuNi30_NXG600_PRIM_MBP3_V1 (60 µm)
Machine Compatibility	NXG XII 600, NXG 600E (1000 W)
Validated Data Preparation	Materialise SLM Build Processor
Theoretical System Build Rate ⁴	293.1 cm ³ /h (12 Lasers)
Minimum Relative Density ^{5, 6}	99.9 %

MECHANICAL PROPERTIES⁷

M: Mean | MIN: Minimum (95 % population coverage / 95 % confidence level)⁸

Non-heat-treated

	Tensile strength R _m [MPa]		Yield strength R _{p0.2} [MPa]		Elongation at break A [%]	
	M	MIN	M	MIN	M	MIN
Machined						
Vertical	450	440	310	295	39	37
Horizontal	505	470	365	330	32	30
Near-Net-Shape						
Vertical	435	430	290	280	37	35

Heat-treated (Direct Aging)⁸

	Tensile strength R _m [MPa]		Yield strength R _{p0.2} [MPa]		Elongation at break A [%]	
	M	MIN	M	MIN	M	MIN
Machined						
Vertical	595	585	440	430	31	30

HARDNESS⁹

M: Mean | MIN: Minimum (95% Population Coverage / 95% Confidence Level)⁸

	Vickers hardness	
	HV5	
	M	MIN
NHT	154	148
HT ⁸	203	195

SURFACE ROUGHNESS¹⁰

M: Mean | MAX: Maximum (95% Population Coverage / 95% Confidence Level)⁸

	Roughness average		Mean roughness depth	
	Ra [µm]		Rz [µm]	
	M	MAX	M	MAX
As built	9	12	59	75

WALL THICKNESS

Optimized border for **0.3 mm thin walls**
And even lower wall thickness on
specific geometries

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DISCLAIMER

The properties and mechanical characteristics apply to powder that is tested and sold by Nikon SLM Solutions, and that has been processed on Nikon SLM Solutions machines using the original Nikon SLM Solutions parameters in compliance with the applicable operating instructions (including installation conditions and maintenance). The part properties are determined based on specified procedures. More details about the procedures used by Nikon SLM Solutions are available upon request.

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NOTES

- ¹ With respect to powder material. Compositions stated as mass or weight percent.
- ² Material density varies within the range of possible chemical composition variations.
- ³ According to DIN EN ISO 3252:2023.
- ⁴ Theoretical system build rate = layer thickness x scan speed x hatch distance x number of lasers. The value represents a com-parable indicator but remains a theoretical value after all. It does expressively not reflect true build rates, which are influenced by part geometry, ratio between hatch and contour areas, area of exposure, recoating times, and more.
- ⁵ Optical density determination at test specimens by light microscopy according to internal specification. Relative density may vary depending on part geometry, orientation, volume, and other process factors. Population coverage: 99%, confidence level: 99%.
- ⁶ Minimum or maximum values are set by using tolerance interval method, which is a statistical approach based on the input of population coverage (PC) and confidence level (CL). Tolerance intervals ensure that a certain percentage of samples within a batch will be above the minimum value or below the maximum value with a certain probability, e.g. the probability that 95% of all samples will be above the minimum value or below the maximum value (within a defined batch and tested according to mentioned specifications) is 95%.
- ⁷ Tensile testing was performed in accordance to DIN EN ISO 6892-1:2020 B and conducted at room temperature. Samples are either machined before testing or tested in near-net-shape without any surface finishing (geometry according to DIN 50125:2022-08 D6x30 and DIN 50125:2022-08 C6x30). Values include overlap samples, i.e. multiple lasers work simultaneously on one specimen. All data is derived from standardized Nikon SLM Solutions qualification jobs. Samples are built out of both virgin powder as well as used powder.
- ⁸ Heat treatment at 600°C in vacuum for 1 h, with slow cooling in oven down to 100 °C then a nitrogen quench to room temperature.
- ⁹ Hardness testing according to DIN EN ISO 6507-1:2024. Measurement direction "2" according to VDI 3405 2.1. Values include overlap samples, i.e. multiple lasers work simultaneously on one specimen. All data is derived from standardized Nikon SLM Solutions qualification jobs. Samples are built out of both virgin powder as well as used powder.
- ¹⁰ Roughness measurement on vertical walls according to DIN EN ISO 21920-3:2022; $\lambda_c = 2.5$ mm. Glass bead blasting is an additional post-processing step after corundum blasting. Values include overlap samples, i.e. multiple lasers work simultaneously on one specimen. All data is derived from standardized Nikon SLM Solutions qualification jobs. Samples are built out of both virgin powder as well as used powder.

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