# COMPOSITE STRUCTURES & MANUFACTURING PROCESSES

We search for innovative, fast, efficient, automated, robust and competitive manufacturing and assembly processes facing the component whole life cycle: design, simulation, manufacturing (including semi industrial upscale), optimization, characterization, and recycling.

## STRATEGIC RESEARCH LINES

#### Composite solutions for weight reduction:

- → Design of structures and components made of composite materials.
- Structural, Thermal and Dynamic analysis and Topologic Optimisation.
- → Adhesive and Hybrid Joints design and analysis.

#### Fast Manufacturing Processes:

- Automated Cutting, 2D stacks preparation, 3D preforming & forming
- Fast heating.
- Textile technology and advanced preforming.
- → Thermoset composites:
  - RTM.
  - Fast Curing prepregs.
  - SMC.
- > Thermoplastic composites:
  - RTM (In situ polymerisation).
  - Automated tape laying.
  - Forming of tailored organosheets.

#### Composites 4.0/ Monitoring and simulation:

→ Process modeling and monitoring: curing, injection, forming.

→ Process simulation and materials characterization for simulation inputs.

RTM digital twin.







#### Functions integration and joining technologies:

- → Hybrid processing (compression + injection).
- → Laser transmission, resistive and US welding.
- → Mechanical & Adhesive joining.

#### Composite Materials Additive Manufacturing.

- Continuous long fibre.
- → Integration of electrical function.

Waste Materials Recycling and Valorisation.

### **OUR CONTRIBUTION**

- → Composite based components design and analysis
- → Composite manufacturing process simulation (PAM-FORM, PAM-RTM) (and characterization)
- → Composite manufacturing processes automation.
- → Resistive heating processes.
- → Fast curing materials adoption
- Thermoplastic composite manufacturing processes development.
- → Prototypes manufacturing (preforms and components).
- Tooling design and development

and analysis

- Continuous fibre additive deposition process development
- Manufacturing processes critical variables monitoring

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Pick & place automated cell.



Hot forming equipment with fast heating solutions.



High speed tape laying cell.





Composite Materials Additive Manufacturing.



Automotive application developed with T-RTM technology.



Process monitoring and simulation - Sw developed by Tecnalia.

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### WE CAN DO SO MUCH TOGETHER

Our work is not understood without yours; we want to work together so your company can compete better. Because together, we can develop technologies that transform the present.

The future is technological, let's share it!

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