

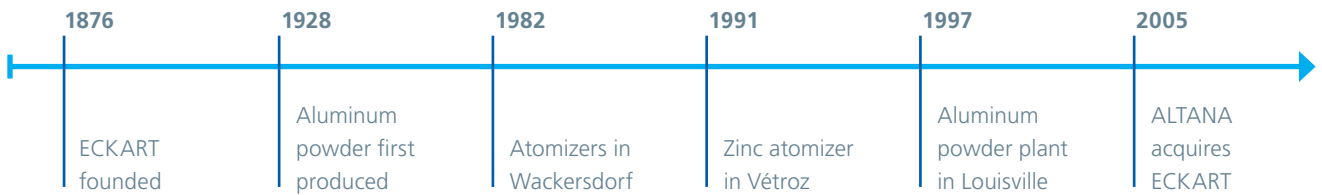


ECKART Product Portfolio of Atomized Powders and Alloys

About ECKART

ECKART is today one of the leading manufacturers of metallic and pearlescent pigments. The company has grown steadily since its founding in Germany in 1876, and produces currently pigments based on aluminum, brass, zinc, glass, and synthetic mica in 5 countries. After almost 130 years as a family-owned business, the company was sold to ALTANA in 2005. Since then, the new owners have continued to invest in growth and expanded their global operations to include facilities in Zhuhai, China, and Schererville, USA.

Within the production chain, powder is the precursor to metal-based pigments. Atomization is carried out either in the presence of air or under inert gas. The first case produces nodular and semi-spherical particles, the second case spherical particles. The company's range of powders includes aluminum, copper, zinc, and various alloys.



Our powders are used in a wide range of applications, for example:



Rocket booster



Explosives



Chemical industry



Metallic pigments

Aluminum

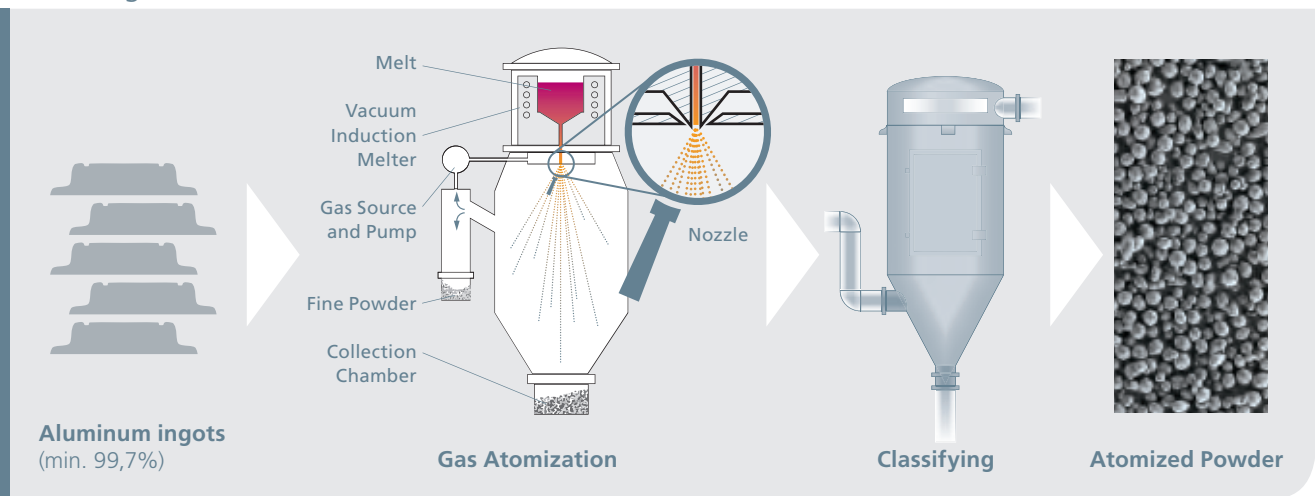
The company laid the foundation for the atomization of aluminum in Wackersdorf in 1982, when its first atomizer went into operation. Today, the facility has four atomizers: one for atomization in air, two for atomization under nitrogen, and a small atomizer for custom-made products.

With the acquisition of the Louisville location in the USA in 1997, ECKART was able to expand the production of aluminum

powders and pigments to a second continent. There, an atomizer produces all the different types of powder particles, which range from nodular to semi-spherical.

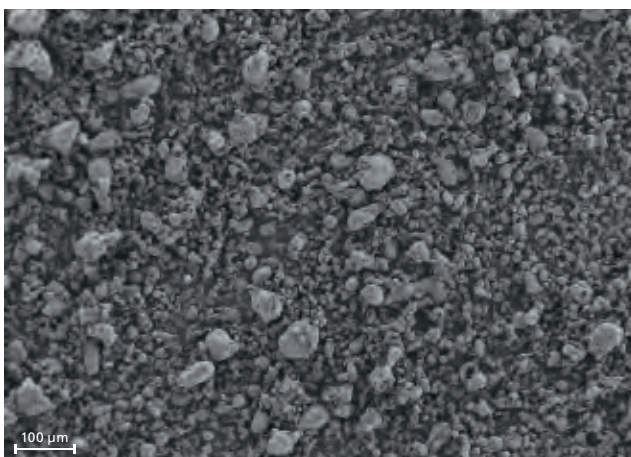
With these two production facilities, ECKART has positioned itself as a leading custom manufacturer also in the field of aluminum powders, offering the entire range of commercially available materials.

Flow Diagram

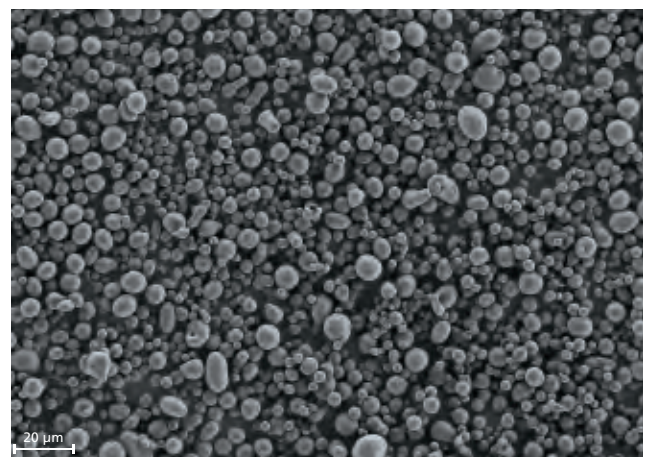


ECKART Product Portfolio of Aluminum Powder

Class	D 50	Particle shape
Class 2	> 50 µm	nodular
Class 3	20 - 50 µm	nodular / semi-spherical / spherical
Class 4	10 - 20 µm	nodular / semi-spherical / spherical
Class 5	5 - 10 µm	semi-spherical / spherical
Class 6	< 5 µm	spherical



Class 2 nodular powder



Class 4 spherical powder

Aluminum Alloys

ECKART aluminum alloys are primarily manufactured in Wackersdorf, Germany. The atomization process is customized to ensure consistent particle distribution and homogenous chemistry.

Based on many years of experience in classification and a modern production technology, customers can choose from a wide range of products.

For further information, please contact our sales representatives.

Typical applications for these alloys include:



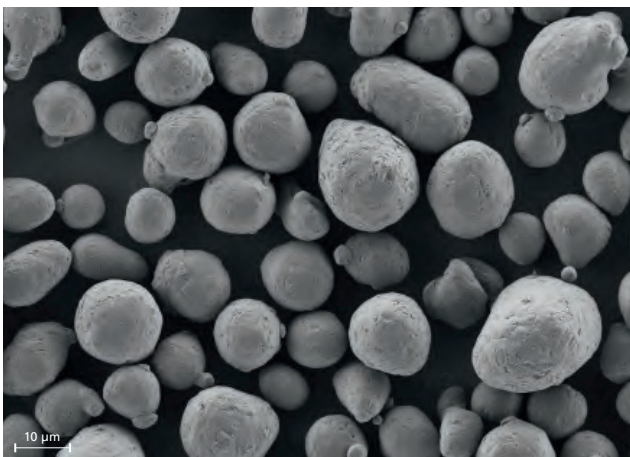
Additive manufacturing

Standard series: 2000 / 3000 / 4000 / 5000 / 6000 / 7000, special alloys available upon request

Series	Main Alloy
2000	Al-Cu
3000	Al-Mn
4000	Al-Si
5000	Al-Mg
6000	Al-Mg-Si
7000	Al-Zn
8000	Al-other elements



Brazing



AlSi10Mg



Thermal spray (© photo: Oerlikon Metco)

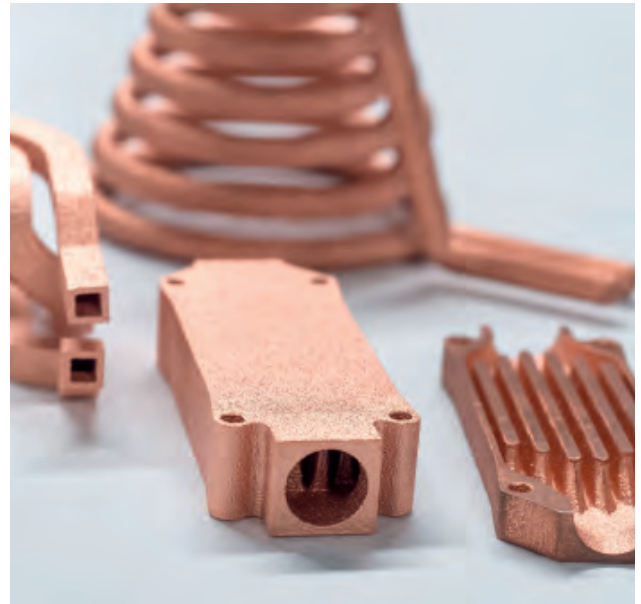
Zinc and Copper

In 1959, the then Doral S.A. started production in Vétroz, Switzerland. Twenty-two years later, in 1981, ECKART acquired this company and gradually relocated its entire zinc production to this location; in turn, the company shifted the entire Swiss aluminum and brass production to Germany.

During the early years of zinc pigment production, the company purchased the necessary powder on the market. This changed in 1991, when the management team decided to build their own atomizer. Since then, ECKART has been atomizing zinc with a purity of at least 99.995% according to DIN 1706 in an air stream in order to obtain zinc powder.

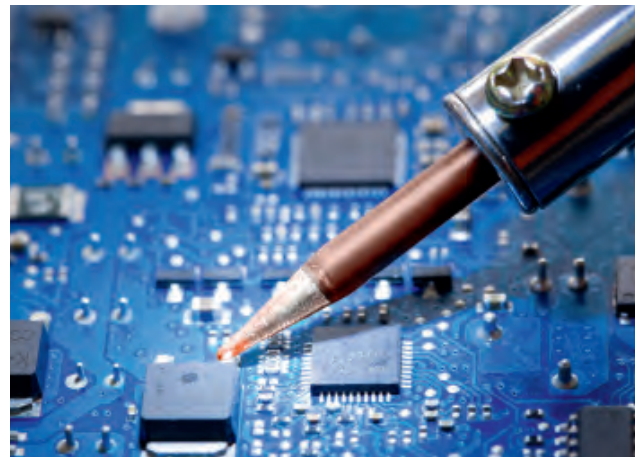
Similar to the process with zinc, also copper is melted and atomized into powder. Like aluminum, this process is carried out in Wackersdorf.

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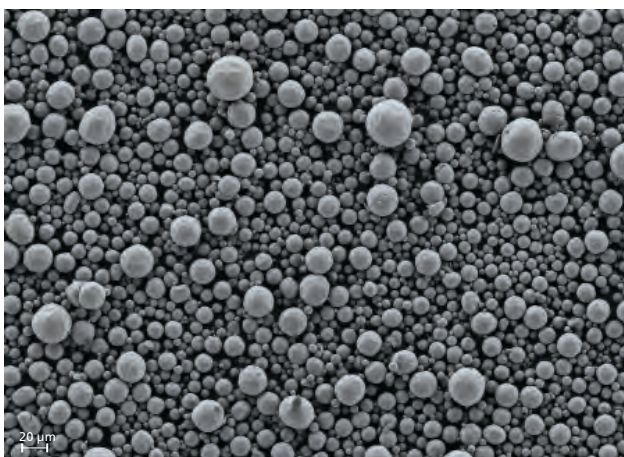


Additive manufacturing (© photo: TRUMPF Group)

Metal	Grade
Zinc AS	< 25 μm
	< 45 μm
	< 100 μm
	45 - 100 μm
Copper AS	< 45 μm



Brazing



Copper <45 μm



Lubricants



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