

ACTIVITIES AT IMID (2022 – 2025)

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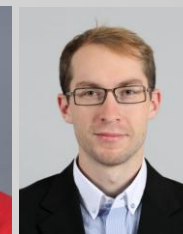
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Biotribology Research Group



Team Pneuracer

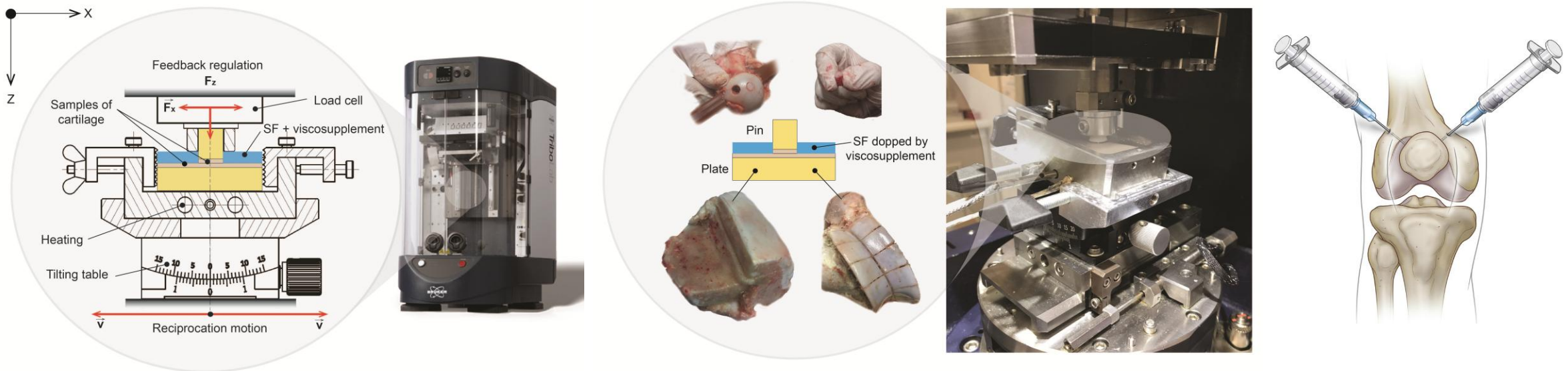


- Part-time job – 3 days
- 2 days - Research activities: Biotribology
- 1 day - Pneuracer

Project – GACR Viscosupplementation

GACR - An investigation of joint fluid viscosupplementation and its impact on friction and lubrication (2019 – 2022)

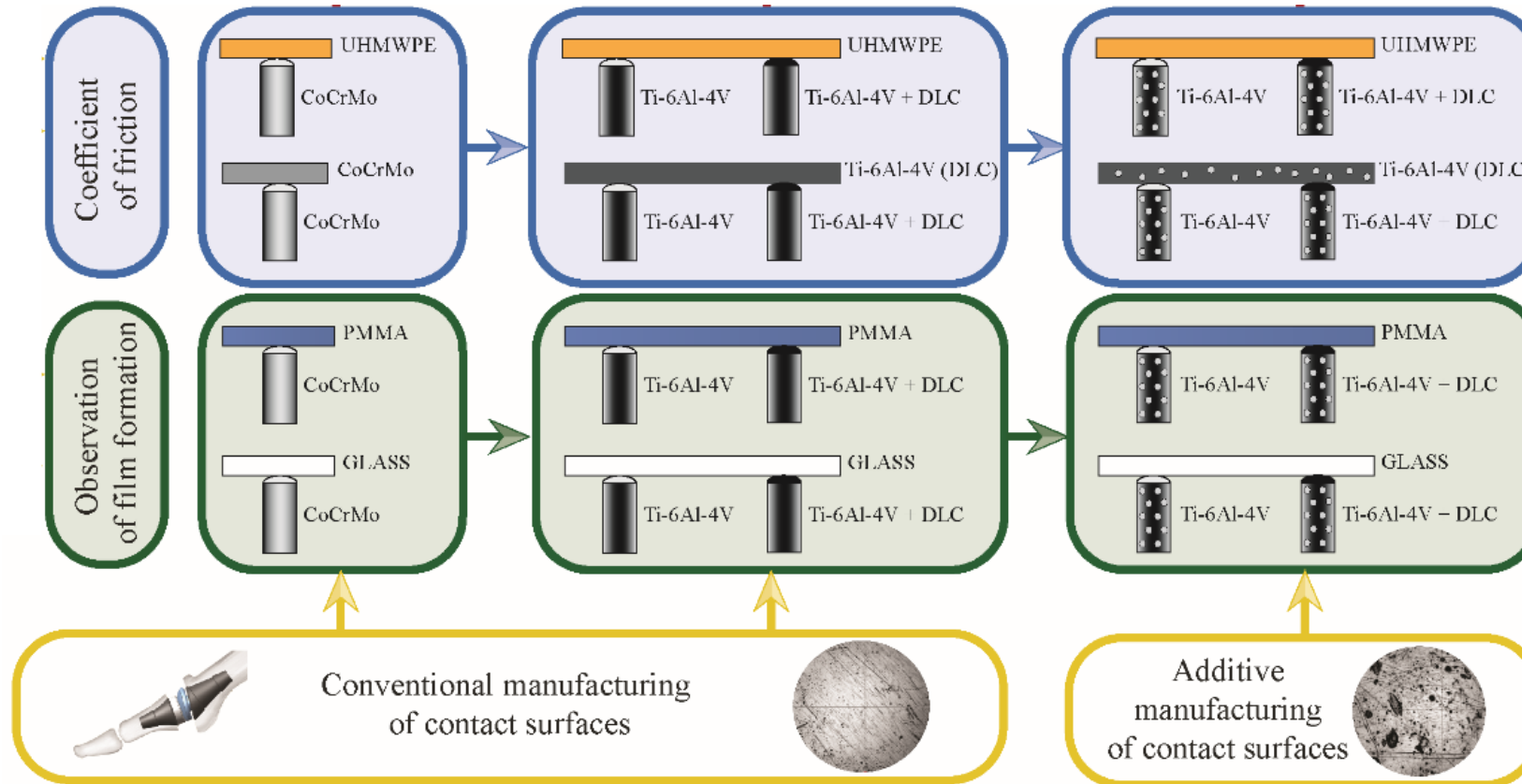
Czech Science Foundation President's Award - awarded project in the field of technical sciences



- A decrease in the COF was observed after application of the viscosupplements with a higher molecular weight.
- Viscosupplementation yields the most benefits for early stages of the osteoarthritis when most of the cartilage functions are still sound.

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Conditions

- Velocity 10 mm/s
- Load 0.1 N
- Contact pressure 45 – 53 MPa
- Total distance 3000 mm

Material combinations

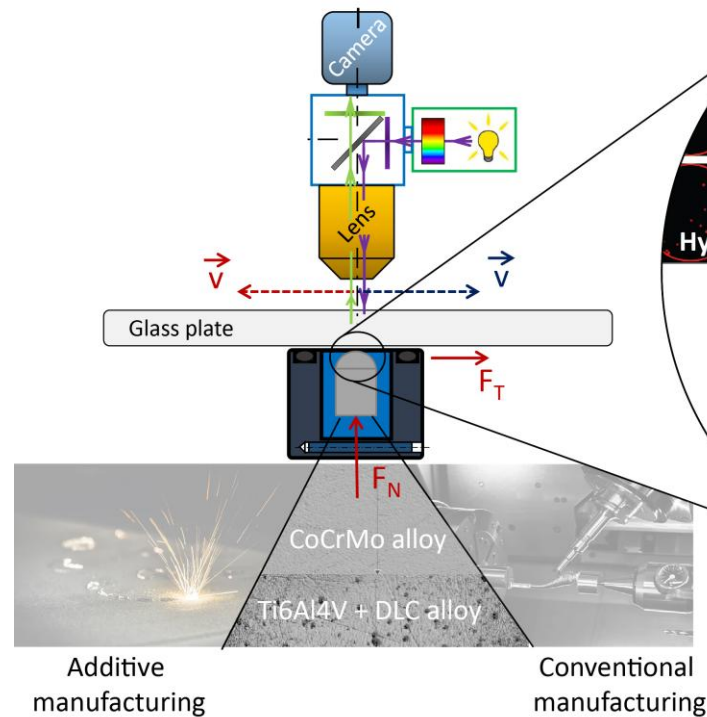
- CoCrMo / Glass
- Ti6Al4V + DLC / Glass

Lubricant

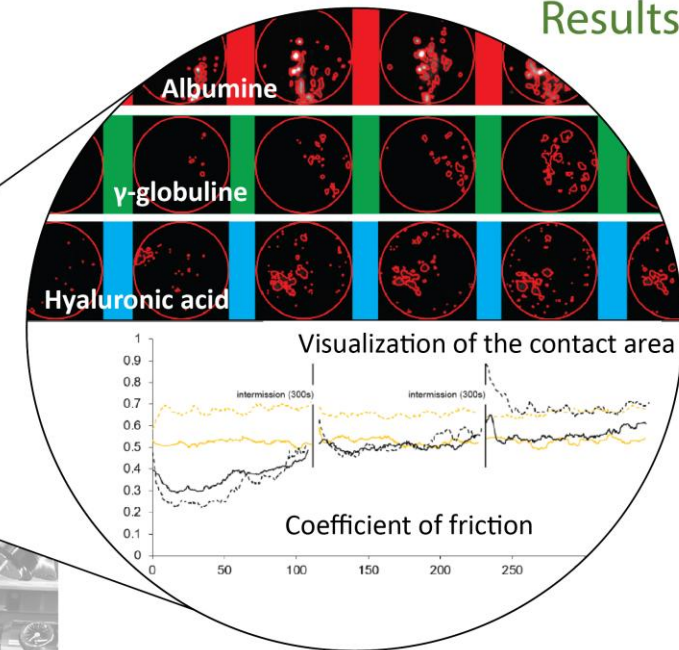
Model synovial fluid

(Albumin, γ -Globulin, Phospholipids, HA)

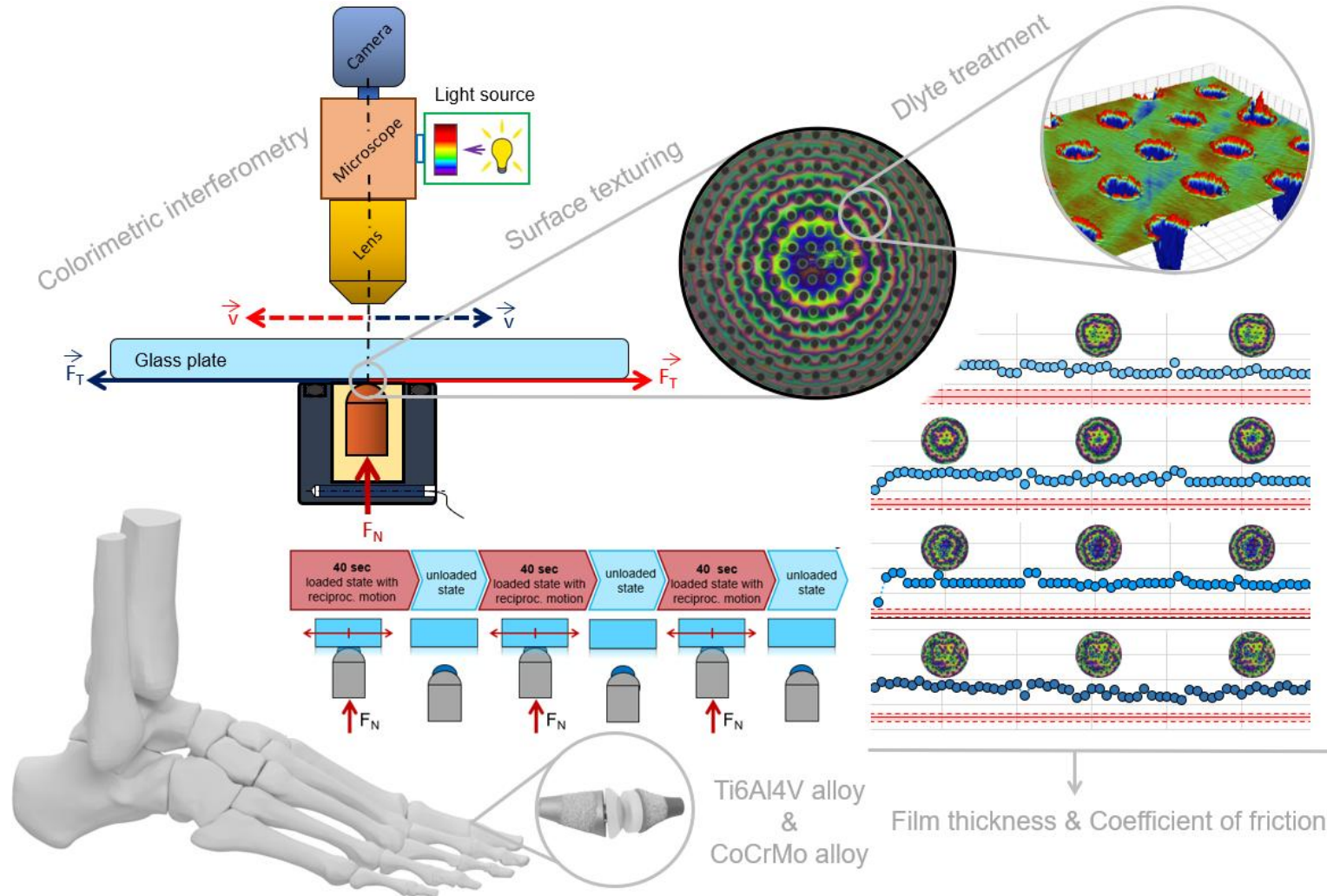
Materials and Methods



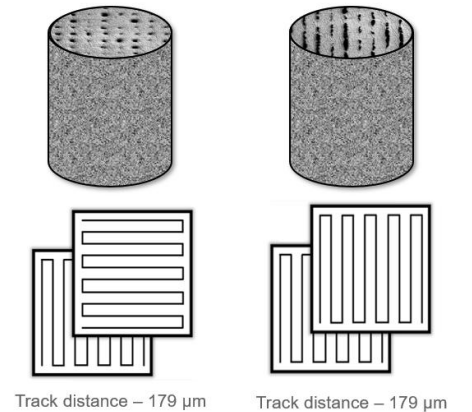
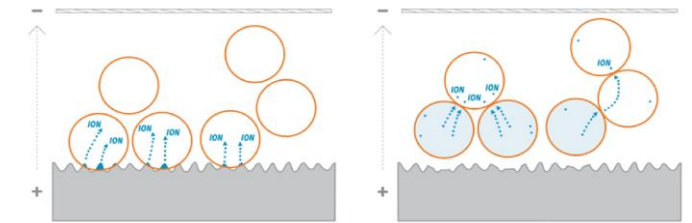
Results



Project - GACR 3D printed implants



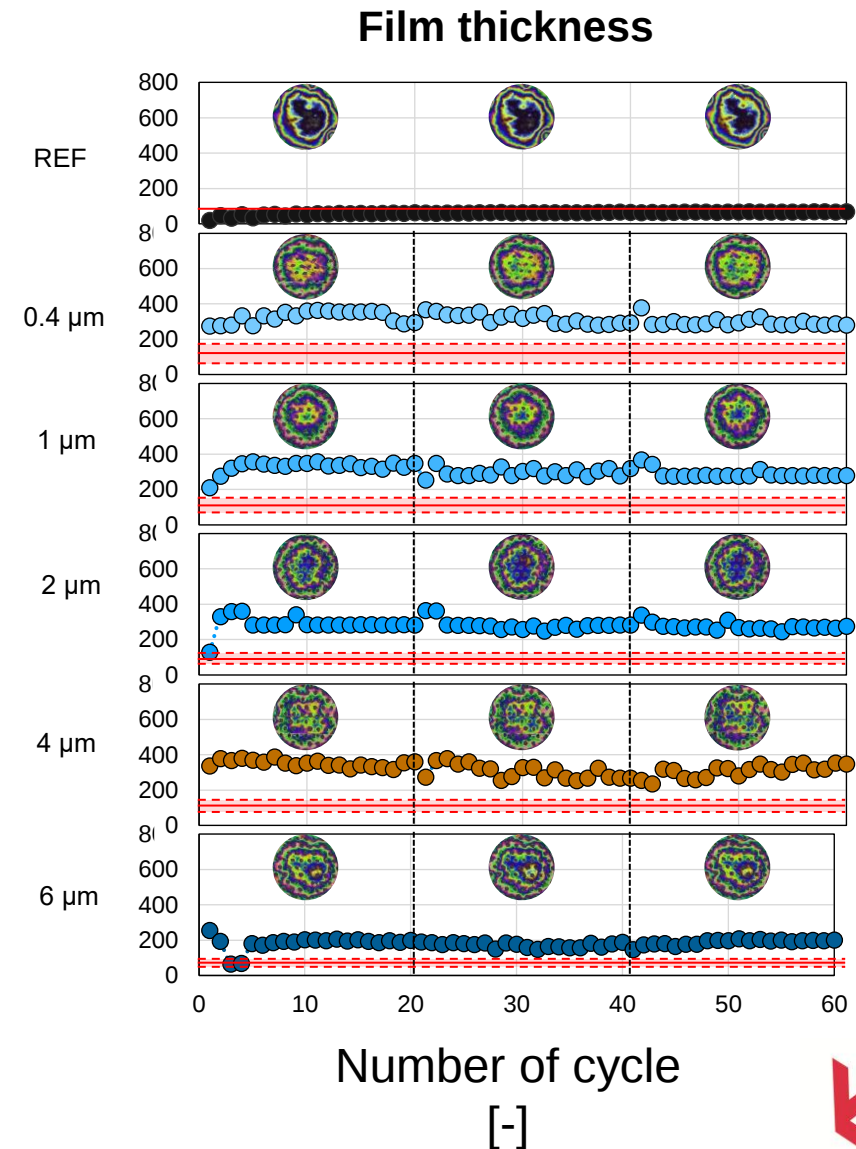
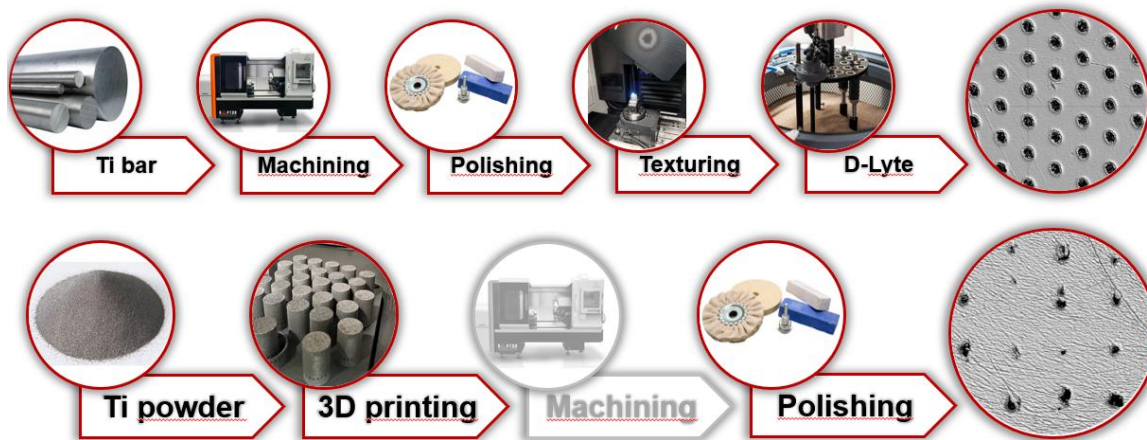
Application of electrolyte - 0.4 - 6 min



Project - GACR 3D printed implants

Ti6Al4V alloy

- complete separation of surfaces by a protein film
- reduction wear
- „protein lubrication regime“
- significantly increased proteins in textured and structured surfaces



Publications

2024

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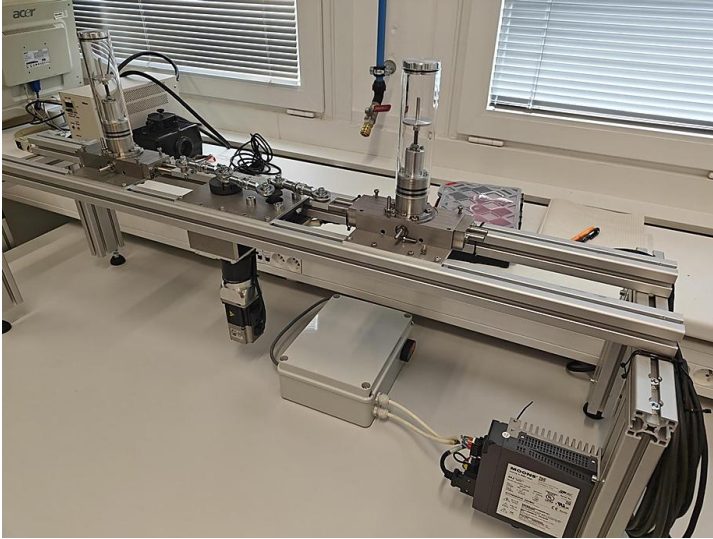
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2022

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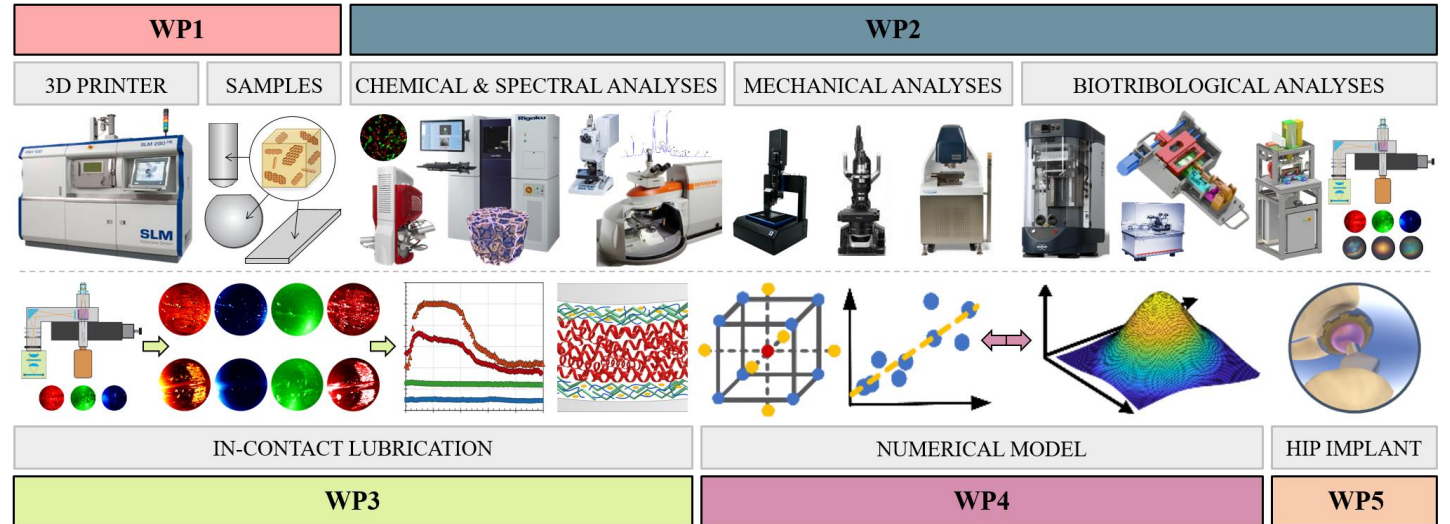
Future plans



- Fluorescence observation of 3D printed surfaces
- the impact of the use of DLC coatings
- Wear analysis
- AZV project (in review)



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- partial involvement in the project: 3D-printed composites with a metal matrix reinforced by 2D MXene nanolayers for next-generation biomedical implants. applicant doc. Nečas

Participation in research projects

Projects:

- GACR An investigation of joint fluid viscosupplementation and its impact on friction and lubrication 2019, applicant prof. Vrbka
 - Project successfully ended in 2022
- GACR Study of lubrication of small joint implants produced by 3D metal printing 2021, applicant prof. Vrbka
 - Project successfully ended in 2024
- TACR SIGMA 2023 - Study of lubrication of small joint implants produced by 3D metal printing, applicant Ranuša
 - Unfunded project
- TACR SIGMA 2024 - Development of a structured friction surface for a small joint implant manufactured using 3D printing, applicant Ranuša
 - Unfunded project
- AZV– (member of the research team)
 - Project in review
- GACR - 3D-printed composites with a metal matrix reinforced by 2D MXene nanolayers for next-generation biomedical implants
 - Partial involvement in the project

Other activities

Diploma Theses (2x)

Bc. Kučera 2024, Tření a mazání kloubní chrupavky

Bc. Martin Ondra 2022, Vliv viskosuplementace na mazání kloubní chrupavky

Bachelor Theses (6x)

Matyáš Heto 2024, Tření titanových povrchů v implantologii

Michael Koutný 2024, Struktury povrchů u implantátů vyrobených 3D tiskem

Mikuláš Křístek 2024, Laserová úprava povrchů malých kloubů člověka

Ondřej Kučera 2023, Dopad struktury povrchu implantátu na tření

Martin Matovič 2022, Vliv mikrostruktur povrchu implantátu na mazací procesy v kontaktu

Jakub Montag 2022, Konstrukce vrtačky na ocelové trubky

Teaching

OZP – supervising, teaching



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1st year of the competition

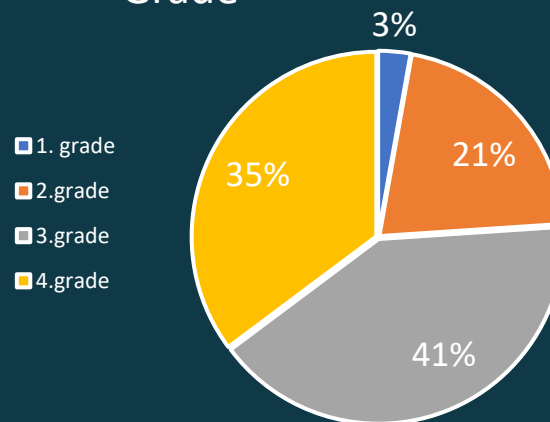


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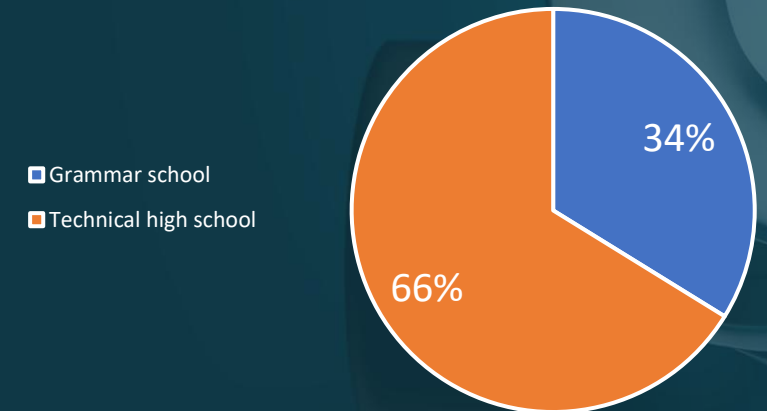
- 27 registred teams
- 17 advancing to the second round
- 10 finalists
- 71 students (10 students were admitted to VUT)
- 10 teachers



Grade



Type of school

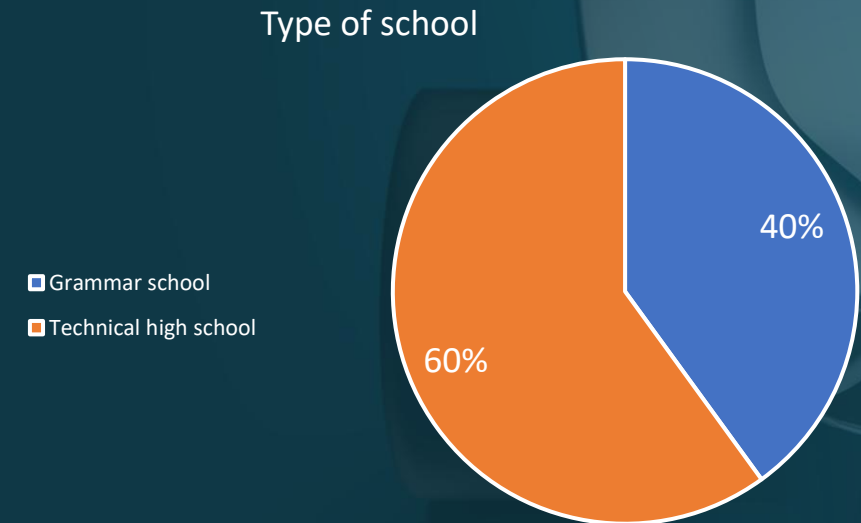
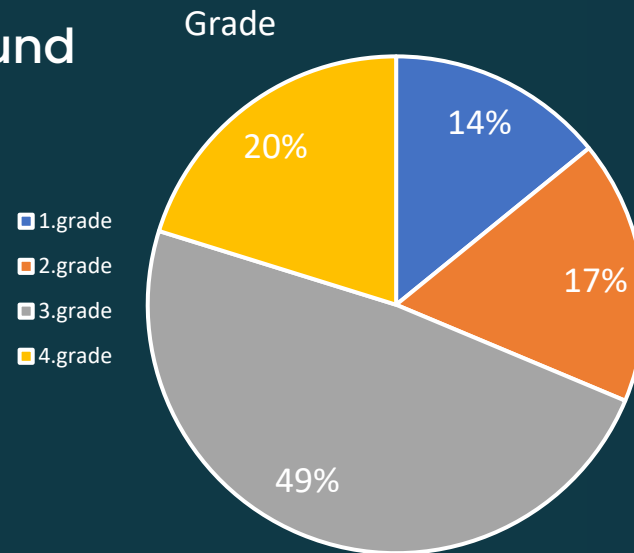


Goals set for the 2nd year



- To assess the sustainability of the current competition concept.
- To acquire more teams
- To improve the quality of advancing teams
- To fix the issues identified in the first year.

- 38 registred teams
- 25 advancing to the second round
- 15 finalists



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Seznámíš se s pneumatickými systémy

Otestuješ svého konstrukčního ducha

Realizuješ své nápady

JOIN
Our team





Thank you ...

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