

# POWDERRANGE 17-4 AR

Applicable specifications: AMS7012

Associated specifications: UNS S17400, AMS5643, ASME SA564, ASTM A564/A564M, ASTM A705, DIN 1.4548 (X5CrNiCuNb17-4-4), DIN 1.4542 (X5CrNiCuNb16-4), AISI 630

## Type analysis

Single figures are nominal except where noted.

|                   |             |                           |               |                |             |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| <b>Iron</b>       | Balance     | <b>Chromium</b>           | 15.00–17.50 % | <b>Copper</b>  | 3.00–5.00 % |
| <b>Nickel</b>     | 3.00–5.00 % | <b>Manganese</b>          | 1.00 %        | <b>Silicon</b> | 1.00 %      |
| <b>Molybdenum</b> | 0.50 %      | <b>Niobium + Tantalum</b> | 0.15–0.45 %   | <b>Cobalt</b>  | 0.40 %      |
| <b>Carbon</b>     | 0.070 %     | <b>Aluminum</b>           | 0.050 %       | <b>Oxygen</b>  | 0.040 %     |
| <b>Phosphorus</b> | 0.040 %     | <b>Nitrogen</b>           | 0.030 %       | <b>Sulfur</b>  | 0.030 %     |
| <b>Tin</b>        | 0.020 %     |                           |               |                |             |

## Description

PowderRange 17-4 AR stainless steel is a martensitic precipitation/age-hardening stainless-steel offering high strength and hardness, along with excellent corrosion resistance, up to 600°F (316°C). It has good fabricating characteristics and can be age-hardened by a single-step, low-temperature treatment, which can be chosen to achieve specific strength and toughness combinations. Due to this balanced combination of performance and ease of use in AM, PowderRange 17-4 AR for additive manufacturing has been used for a wide variety of applications, including rapid tooling functional components in nearly every market, and prototyping.

### Key Properties:

- Good strength, toughness, hardness, and ductility
- Good corrosion resistance

### Markets:

- Aerospace
- Food processing
- Petrochemical
- Medical

### Applications:

- Surgical instruments and tools
- Valves and fittings
- Pumps and impellers
- Manifolds
- Industrial and chemical processing equipment
- Tooling

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## Powder properties

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>PART NUMBER</b>                         | PowderRange 174AR F                                       |
| <b>APPLICATION</b>                         | L-PBF <sup>1</sup>  |
| <b>MAXIMUM PARTICLE SIZE</b>               | Max 1 wt% > 53 $\mu\text{m}^2$                            |
| <b>MINIMUM PARTICLE SIZE</b>               | Max 10 vol% < 15 $\mu\text{m}^3$                          |
| <b>LSD PERCENTILE</b>                      | D10, D50, D90 <sup>3</sup> , reported                     |
| <b>ATOMIZATION</b>                         | Vacuum Induction Melted, Argon Gas Atomized               |
| <b>APPARENT DENSITY (G/CM<sup>3</sup>)</b> | Measured according to ASTM B212 <sup>4</sup> and reported |
| <b>HALL FLOW (S/50G)</b>                   | Measured according to ASTM B213 <sup>5</sup> and reported |

<sup>1</sup> ASTM/ISO 52900: Laser — Powder Bed Fusion (L-PBF), Electron-Beam Powder Bed Fusion (EB-PBF), Directed Energy Deposition (DED)

<sup>2</sup> ASTM B214 Standard Test Method for Sieve Analysis for Metal Powders

<sup>3</sup> ASTM B822 Standard Test Method for Particle Size Distribution of Metal Powders and Related Compounds by Light Scattering

<sup>4</sup> ASTM B212 Standard Test Method for Apparent Density of Free-Flowing Metal Powders Using the Hall Flowmeter Funnel

<sup>5</sup> ASTM B213 Standard Test Method for Flow Rate of Metal Powders Using the Hall Flowmeter Funnel

Testing of powder will fulfill certification requirements to Nadcap Materials Testing and ISO/IEC 17025 Chemical, per relevant ASTM procedures

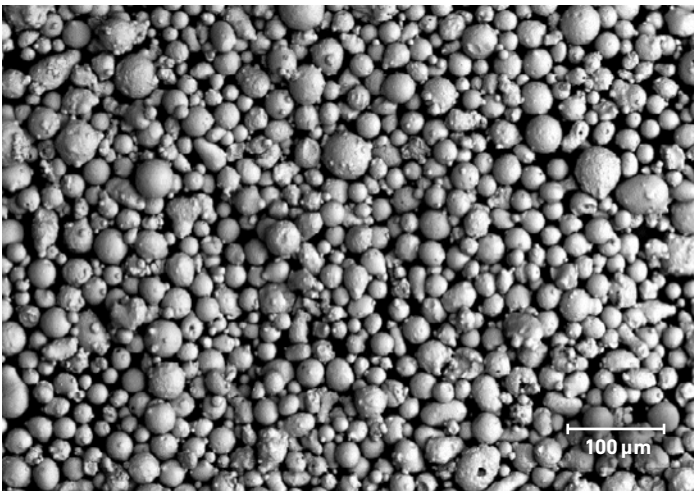


FIGURE 1— SEM IMAGE OF TYPICAL POWDERRANGE 17-4PH AR POWDER

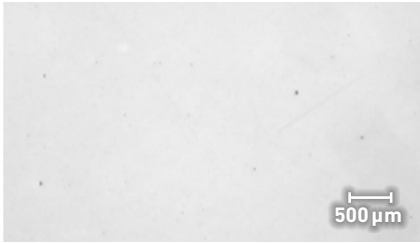
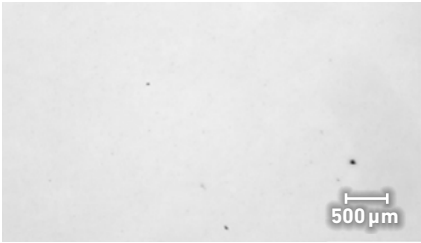

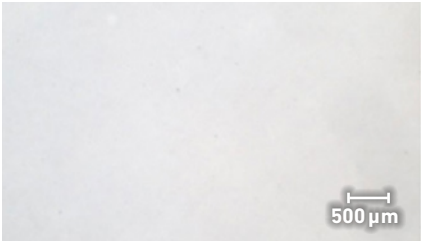
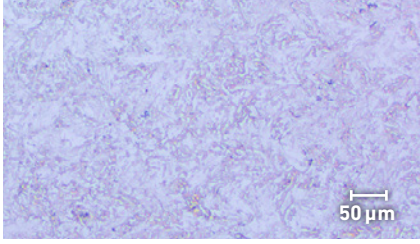
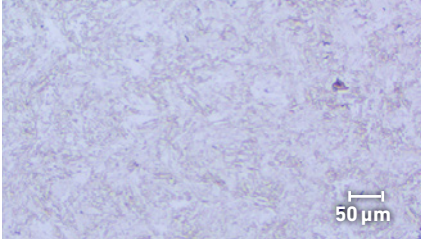
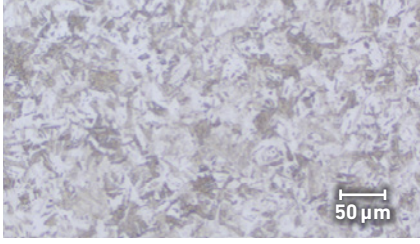
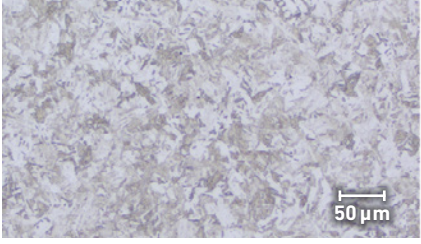
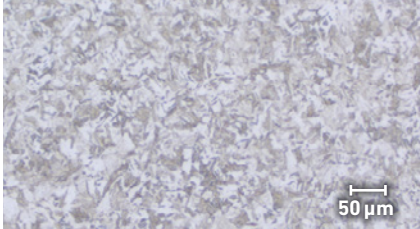
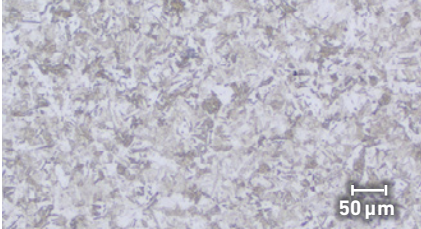
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## Additive manufacturing process guidance

**ASTM/ISO 52900: LASER-POWDER BED FUSION (L-PBF)**

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| <b>Laser-Powder Bed Fusion<br/>L-PBF<br/>As-built</b>         | <p>PowderRange 17-4PH AR is compatible with all commercially available L-PBF equipment.</p> <p>To achieve mean, as-built density &gt;99.9%, 20 to 60 µm layer thicknesses and Specific Energy ≥ 50 J/mm<sup>3</sup> is recommended.</p>  |
| <b>Stress relief</b>  | <p>Stress relieve at 1250°F (677°C) for 1 hour per inch of thickness (minimum 2 hours) up to 4 hours.</p>  |
| <b>Homogenization<br/>Hom</b>                                 | <p>Carpenter Technology recommends a homogenization treatment at 2000°F (1093°C) for 1 hour followed by an air cool to minimize anisotropy. If performing a HIP step, a separate homogenization is not required.</p>   |
| <b>Hot Isostatic Press<br/>HIP/Sol/H900</b>                   | <p>We recommend HIP as standard practice for microstructure homogenization; removal of residual spatter-induced voids, trapped gas porosity in powder and keyhole porosities; as well as to heal any shrinkage-induced micro-cracks in the material.</p> <p><b>To achieve up to full density (100%):</b> Process components under argon at not less than 14.5 ksi (100 MPa) at a temperature of approximately 2087°F (1141°C); hold at the selected temperature for approximately 240 min, then cool under inert atmosphere to below 800°F (427°C).</p> <p>Follow with Solution Anneal and Age treatment as described below.</p>   |
| <b>Solution Anneal<br/>and Age Condition<br/>Hom/Sol/H900</b> | <p>After either homogenization or HIP, Solution Anneal at 1900°F (1038°C) per ASTM A564/A564M for 0.5 hours, cool to below 90°F (32°C) to achieve complete transformation to martensite.</p> <p>Sections under 3 in. (76 mm) can be quenched in a suitable liquid quenchant (e.g. water or oil) and sections over 3 in. (76 mm) should be rapidly air cooled. It is recommended not use this Solution Annealed condition, without age hardening, for the final product due to susceptibility to stress-corrosion cracking.</p> <p>After Solution Anneal, age material as desired per ASTM A564/A564M, e.g. 900°F (482°C) for 1 hour and air cool, per ASTM A564/A564M.</p> |
| <b>Machinability</b>  | <p>PowderRange 17-4PH AR is readily machined in both the solution-treated and various age-hardened conditions. In the solution-treated condition, it machines similarly to stainless steel types 302 and 304.</p> <p>When using carbide tools, surface speed feet/minute (SFPM) can be increased between 2 and 3 times over the high-speed suggestions. Feeds can be increased between 50 and 100%.</p>  |

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| TYPICAL MICROSTRUCTURES                  |   |  |   |
|--|---|--|---|
| CONDITION                                | TRANSVERSE (X-Y PLANE)  | LONGITUDINAL (Y-Z PLANE)   | NOTES   |
| <b>As-built</b>                          |    |    | Mean densities greater than 99.9%   |
| <b>HIP/Sol/ H900</b>                     |   |   | Up to 100% density  |
| <b>As-built, etched<sup>6</sup></b>      |  |  | Typical pre-solutionized PowderRange 17-4PH AR microstructure, consisting of martensite with minimal carbide precipitates |
| <b>HIP/Sol/ H900, etched<sup>6</sup></b> |  |  | Average grain size ASTM 7-8 <sup>7</sup><br>Typical PowderRange 17-4PH AR aged martensitic microstructure                 |
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<sup>7</sup> ASTM E112 Standard Test Method for Determining Average Grain Size

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## Typical achievable mechanical properties

| ROOM TEMPERATURE MECHANICAL PROPERTIES <sup>8</sup> |             |                                      |      |  |      |                  |                   |               |     |          |
|---|-------------|--------------------------------------|------|--|------|------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----|----------|
| FORM  | ORIENTATION | 0.2% YIELD STRENGTH $\sigma_{0.2\%}$ |      | ULTIMATE TENSILE STRENGTH $\sigma_{UTS}$ |      | ELONGATION IN 4D | REDUCTION OF AREA | IMPACT ENERGY |     | HARDNESS |
|   |             | ksi                                  | MPa  | ksi                                      | MPa  | %                | %                 | FT-LBS        | J   | HRB      |
| As-built  | X and Y     | 110                                  | 758  | 165                                      | 1136 | 15               | 62                | 85            | 115 | 35       |
|   | Z           | 108                                  | 747  | 166                                      | 1145 | 15               | 64                | 74            | 100 |          |
| Sol   | X and Y     | 175                                  | 1209 | 195                                      | 1342 | 17               | 54                | 21            | 29  | 42       |
|   | Z           | 175                                  | 1208 | 195                                      | 1343 | 15               | 50                | 17            | 23  |          |
| HIP/Sol   | X and Y     | 175                                  | 1207 | 194                                      | 1338 | 18               | 56                | 22            | 30  | 42       |
|   | Z           | 175                                  | 1207 | 194                                      | 1340 | 17               | 54                | 16            | 22  |          |
| ASTM Spec. <sup>9</sup>                             | —           | 170                                  | 1170 | 190                                      | 1310 | 10               | 40                | —             | —   | 40       |

<sup>8</sup> Average of a minimum of 5 samples taken from across the extents of a build plate in each orientation and for each heat treatment. Testing performed in accordance with ASTM E8/E8M-16a (tensile), ASTM E23-18 (impact energy) and ASTM E18-19 (hardness). Additional data may be available through a wide range of consortia and other collaborations. Please contact Carpenter Additive for additional information.

<sup>9</sup> ASTM A564/A564M-13 Mechanical Test Requirements After Age Hardening Heat Treatment (Type 630, Condition H900), minimum values

## Corrosion resistance

## IMPORTANT NOTE:

The following 4-level rating scale (Excellent, Good, Moderate, Restricted) is intended for comparative purposes only and is derived from experiences with wrought product. Additive manufactured material may perform differently; corrosion testing is recommended. Factors that affect corrosion resistance include temperature, concentration, pH, impurities, aeration, velocity, crevices, deposits, metallurgical condition, stress, surface finish, and dissimilar metal contact.

|                  |            |                   |            |
|------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Nitric Acid      | Good       | Sulfuric Acid     | Restricted |
| Phosphoric Acid  | Restricted | Acetic Acid       | Moderate   |
| Sea Water        | Restricted | Salt Spray (NaCl) | Good       |
| Humidity         | Excellent  | Sour Oil/Gas      | Restricted |
| Sodium Hydroxide | Moderate   |                   |            |

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## Similar materials

| COMPANY             | ALTERNATIVE TITLE    |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Other Generic Names | 1.4542, 17-4PH       |
| 3D Systems          | LaserForm 17-4PH     |
| GE (Concept Laser)  | 17-4PH               |
| EOS                 | GP1                  |
| DMG Mori (Realizer) | —                    |
| Renishaw            | Stainless Steel 17-4 |
| SLM Solutions       | 17-4PH (1.4542)      |

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