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# Institute of Non-Ferrous Metals



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## **ŁUKASIEWICZ RESEARCH NETWORK INSTITUTE OF NON-FERROUS METALS**

- 1952 Establishment of the Institute
- Establishment of the Division in Skawina 1954
- Establishment of the Division in Legnica 1974
- Incorporation of CLAiO and establishment of a Division 2007 in Poznań

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## Łukasiewicz – IMN WHAT DISTINGUISHES US?

- Highly qualified research staff
- Cooperation with the industry
- Modern research equipment
- Application-oriented research and
- development works, expert opinionsPilot installations
- Accredited laboratories
- Lines for small-scale production
- Active participation in the European Research Area

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# **ŁUKASIEWICZ – IMN RESEARCH CENTRES**





## **CENTRE OF MINERAL PROCESSING**



## **Director of the Centre**

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- R&D works in the field of development and selection of technologies for the enrichment of non-ferrous metal ores, coals, waste, and secondary materials
- evaluation and optimization of processing operations in order to improve their efficiency
- development of new and modernization of the existing processing equipment, including flotation machines, and classification and thickening hydrocyclones
- analysis of different types of raw materials in a wide grain size range
- research on the selection of reagents for the flotation of various types of mineral resources and waste materials
- analysis of the potential for the application of mechanical treatment methods in Urban Mining and Circular Economy
- expert opinions in the field of processing mineral resources, waste and secondary materials
- laboratory and semi-technical analyses of screening, crushing, grinding, gravity





## **CENTRE OF PYROMETALLURGY**



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- development of methods for the preparation of the charge for metallurgical processes by briquetting (with a selection of optimal types of binders), palletizing, sintering and roasting
- development of process-based design, as well as technical and technological analyses of the existing and new processes together with guidelines for their design
- development of technologies for recovery of non-ferrus metals from concentrates and from all sorts of secondary materials (technological concept, selection of equipment and conditions, basic engineering)
- development of methods for refining of non–ferrous metals from impurities
- development of methods for obtaining chemical compounds and usable alloys from semi-finished products and wastes containing non-ferrous metals
- mathematical modeling and development of algorithms for the control of metallurgical processes and decision support systems
- expert opinions and analyses of existing technologies for rationalization of energy consumption, development of the optimum method for waste heat recovery, and limitation of the negative impact of a plant on the environment







## **CENTRE OF HYDROELECTROMETALLURGY**



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- development of hydrometallurgical technologies for the copper industry
- recovery of strategic metals from waste in the form of high-purity compounds
- development of hydrometallurgical technologies within the performed EU-funded projects
- development of technologies enabling the increase of secondary materials content
- solvent extraction and ion exchange application in non-ferrous metals hydrometallurgy
- investigations and basic research in the field of non-ferrous metals hydrometallurgy and electrochemistry, including chemical engineering
- technical consulting and expert opinions in the field of hydrometallurgy





## **CENTRE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**



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#### Areas of activity:

- modern solutions in the field of Circular Economy
- recovery of metals from solid and liquid waste
- membrane technologies for desalination processes
- innovative methods of waste gases purification
- environmental a d quality analyses of wastewater
- emission and control measurements of process and waste gases
- modernization of existing dedusting installations and wastewater treatment plants
- preparation of documentation necessary to obtain integrated and relevant permits







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## **CENTRE OF ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY**



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- development of analytical methods
- participation in R&D projects
- analytical services and expert opinions
- training in the field of instrumental and classical analyses
- inter-laboratory examinations
- production of calibration materials, reference materials and CRM meeting individual customer needs
- accreditation of the producer of reference materials, for compliance with the standard PN-EN ISO 17034
- Quality System in conformance with the standard PN-EN ISO/IEC 17025





## **CENTRE OF ADVANCED MATERIALS TECHNOLOGIES**



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- complex activity in the field of development of new materials and products, as well as studies, including melting and refining technologies, casting and plastic working processes, 3D printing – WAAM technology, HIP – hot isostatic pressing, and manufacturing of composites by liquid-phase technologies
- development of 3D printing WAAM technology
- material expert opinions on the non-ferrous metal products
- small-scale production of cast and extruded products from non-ferrous metals and their alloys, drawn products and bimetallic wires





## **CENTRE OF FUNCTIONAL MATERIALS**



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- technology for the production of nanocomposites in a form of wound or stacked cores
- stators for electric motors and ventricular assist pumps supporting heart function
- production of contact rivets
- production of amorphous binders
- gas atomization
- technology for the production of printed magnetic components
- new materials and technologies for power electronics, energy, transport and medicine









## **CENTRE OF POWDER AND COMPOSITE MATERIALS**



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- production of powders by plasma spraying
- development of functional coatings produced by plasma spraying
- production of metallic and composite micro-, and nanopowders by chemical methods, mechanical synthesis, and grinding
- recycling of materials using plasma and chemical technologies
- production of biologically active materials with antimicrobial properties using copper-based composites
- production of powders for additive manufacturing (AM) processes





## **ŁUKASIEWICZ – IMN DIVISION IN POZNAŃ**



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- development of solutions in the field of stationary energy storage systems as buffer power supplies integrated with renewable energy sources for civil and military applications
- BTR series thermal batteries, aircraft and special purposes batteries
- research works in the field of materials of chemical power sources, and batteries recycling
- implementation and market expertise
- certification of the mobile power sources
- research on the new types of chemical power sources







## **ŁUKASIEWICZ – IMN DIVISION IN SKAWINA**



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- development of technology for the preparation of the liquid metal for casting
- casting of aluminium, aluminium alloys, and magnesium alloys in a form of ingots and bars for plastic working
- processes of plastic working of light metals, including extrusion, rolling, forging, drawing, and stamping
- manufacturing of protective coatings on Al and Mg-based products
- production of new advanced materials based on light metals
- corrosion tests







## **ŁUKASIEWICZ – IMN DIVISION IN LEGNICA**



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- professional waste management
- production based on waste materials
- proprietary recovery technologies
- experimental production installations
- R&D and implementation works supported by the experience of the main R&D centre of the Polish non-ferrous metals industry
- production of the abrasive used for high-pressure cleaning Polgrit abrasive











# **PRODUCTION POSSIBILITIES**

- Possibility of production from a few kilograms to several tons
- Small series production
- Flexibility in modification of the material properties
- Short delivery time
- Possibility of products and technologies upgrading
- Esting the solutions on a laboratory/semi-industrial scale





# **AREAS OF COOPERATION**

- Castings of non-ferrous metals
- Non-ferrous metal products after plastic working
  Decorative-protective and hard anti-abrasive coatings on Al and
- Decorative-protective and hard Mg-based alloys
- Rapid prototyping based on 3D printing techniques
- Additional light armour
- Technologies for the production of sheets and strips made of nonferrous metals intended for stamping
- Sliding materials
- Non-ferrous metal materials intended for potentially explosive environments
- Non–ferrous metal alloys with improved properties designed for operating in difficult conditions





# **AREAS OF COOPERATION**

- Heavy metal-based materials
- Metallic or composite protective coatings increasing the resistance of metallic surfaces
- Thermal batteries as a power supply for guidance, steering, and standby mode systems of intelligent ammunition (rockets, guided missiles, bombs, torpedos, etc.)
- Ampoule batteries to power the intelligent ammunition (mainly programmable and specialized missiles)
- Development and production of Li-ion, Ni–MH, and Lithium thionyl chloride cell packages





## **PILOT INSTALLATIONS**

- Installation for examination of gas desulphurization processes
- Installation for examination of membrane processes
- Refrigerating cycle installation with a fan cooler
- Laboratory pilot installation for the enrichment of mineral resources (LPI) simulation of the industrial flotation processes
- Pilot–scale installations of Waelz kiln, rotary–rocking furnace, arc–resistance furnaces, and plasma arc furnace
- Pilot line for production of rapidly quenched materials
- Pilot line for production of the amorphous and nanocrystalline block, cut and stacked cores
- Pilot line for production of contact rivets
- Installation for conducting studies into leaching processes
- Installation for continuous liquid extraction processes
- Installation for investigations into electrorefining and electrowinning of metals
- Apparatus for conducting leaching processes
- Apparatus for conducting leaching processes at elevated pressure and temperature
- Pilot line for the semi-continuous casting of ingots, and extrusion of profiles from Al and Mgbased alloys



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