

## Ni-Alloy IN939

### General

This highly heat-resistant and corrosion resistant alloy IN939 ranks among nickel-based alloys. In most cases, these alloys contain chromium, iron, niobium, and molybdenum and other alloying elements. They are often known as superalloys. Nickel-based alloys withstand higher temperatures than steels and are also highly weldable. Their temperature resistance is achieved through a mixture of dispersion hardening, precipitation hardening, and solid solution strengthening. Nickel-based alloys exhibit good mechanical characteristic values such as high tensile strength and good endurance strength. IN939 can be used at temperatures of up to 700 °C, which makes this alloy ideally suited for aerospace technologies and turbine production. Another field of application for nickel-based alloys is toolmaking. These alloys are also suitable for heat treatment and mechanical post treatment.

### Material Structure

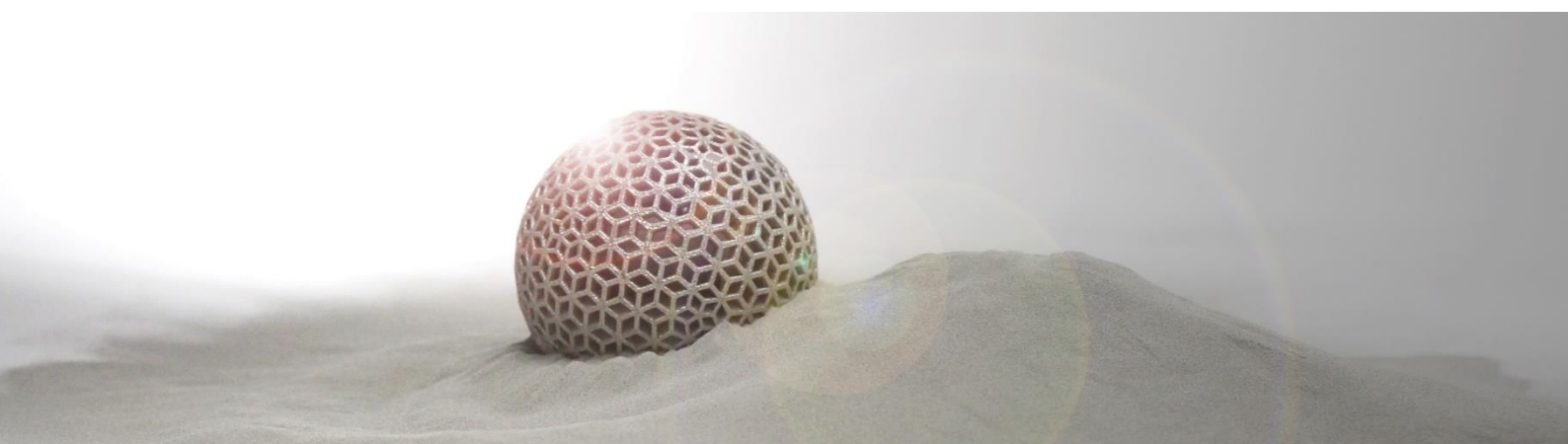
SLM<sup>®</sup>-processed components out of IN939 exhibit a homogeneous, nearly non-porous texture, with mechanical characteristic values in the range of material specifications. Through subsequent processing such as heat treatment (e.g. precipitation hardening) or hot isostatic pressing (HIP), the components' properties can be adapted to meet specific requirements.

### Chemical composition [Mass fraction in %]<sup>[6]</sup>

| Ni      | Cr            | Co            | Ti          | W           | Al          | Ta          | Nb          | Mn   | Si   | C    | Zr   |
|---------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|
| Balance | 22.00 – 23.00 | 18.00 – 20.00 | 3.00 – 4.50 | 1.00 – 3.00 | 1.00 – 3.00 | 1.00 – 1.80 | 0.50 – 1.50 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.15 | 0.10 |

### Powder properties

|                              |                       |                                     |           |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Particle size <sup>[3]</sup> | 10 – 45 µm            | Particle shape <sup>[4]</sup>       | Sphärisch |
| Mass density <sup>[5]</sup>  | 8.2 g/cm <sup>3</sup> | Thermal conductivity <sup>[6]</sup> | /         |



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| Layer thickness 30 $\mu\text{m}$ [2] | As-built | Heat-treated <sup>[11]</sup> | Heat-treated + HIP <sup>[12]</sup> |
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|                                  |                      |                        |  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|
| Build-up rate <sup>[5]</sup>     | [cm <sup>3</sup> /h] | 9.1 cm <sup>3</sup> /h |  |
| Component density <sup>[4]</sup> | [%]                  | > 99.5%                |  |

| Tensile test <sup>[8]</sup> |                         | M    | SD | M    | SD | M    | SD |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------|----|------|----|------|----|
| Tensile strength            | R <sub>m</sub> [MPa]    | 1009 | 35 | 1247 | 76 | 1348 | 57 |
| Offset yield strength       | R <sub>p0,2</sub> [MPa] | 735  | 41 | 749  | 21 | 957  | 18 |
| Elongation at break         | A [%]                   | 30   | 5  | 13   | 5  | 11   | 5  |
| Reduction of area           | Z [%]                   | 45   | 7  | 12   | 3  | 12   | 2  |
| Young's modulus             | E [GPa]                 | 177  | 8  | 201  | 3  | 156  | 6  |

| Hardness test <sup>[9]</sup> |      | M   | SD | M | SD | M | SD |
|------------------------------|------|-----|----|---|----|---|----|
| Vickers hardness             | HV10 | 302 | 3  | - | -  | - | -  |

| Roughness measurement <sup>[10]</sup> |                                  | As-built |    | Corundum blasted |    | Corundum- and Glass-bead blasted |    |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|----|------------------|----|----------------------------------|----|
|                                       |                                  | M        | SD | M                | SD | M                                | SD |
| Roughness average                     | R <sub>a</sub> [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] | 6        | 1  | -                | -  | -                                | -  |
| Mean roughness depth                  | R <sub>z</sub> [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] | 42       | 6  | -                | -  | -                                | -  |

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| Layer thickness 50 $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>[3]</sup> |                         | As-built                |    |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| Build-up rate <sup>[5]</sup>                    | [cm <sup>3</sup> /h]    | 16.4 cm <sup>3</sup> /h |    |
| Component density <sup>[4]</sup>                | [%]                     | > 99,5%                 |    |
| <b>Tensile test<sup>[8]</sup></b>               |                         | M                       | SD |
| Tensile strength                                | R <sub>m</sub> [MPa]    | 928                     | 72 |
| Offset yield strength                           | R <sub>p0,2</sub> [MPa] | 633                     | 33 |
| Elongation at break                             | A [%]                   | 23                      | 10 |
| Reduction of area                               | Z [%]                   | 28                      | 9  |
| Young's modulus                                 | E [GPa]                 | 156                     | 12 |
| <b>Hardness test<sup>[9]</sup></b>              |                         | M                       | SD |
| Vickers hardness                                | HV10                    | 305                     | 7  |
| <b>Roughness measurement<sup>[10]</sup></b>     |                         | As-built                |    |
|   |                         | M                       | SD |
| Roughness average                               | Ra [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]    | 7                       | 1  |
| Mean roughness depth                            | Rz [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]    | 48                      | 7  |

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- [1] Material density varies within the range of possible chemical composition variations.
- [2] Material data file: Inc\_SLM\_BP2.1\_30\_Stripes-US\_T200\_S09-02\_V4101
- [3] Material data file: Inc\_SLM\_BP2.1\_50\_Stripes-US\_T0\_S32-04\_V4101
- [4] Optical density determination by light microscopy.
- [5] Theoretical build-up rate for each laser = layer thickness x scan speed x track distance.
- [6] With respect to powder material.
- [7] According to DIN EN ISO 3252:2001.
- [8] Tensile test according to DIN EN ISO 6892-1:2017 B (DIN 50125:2016 – B6x30); orientation: 0°, 90°; heat treatment: none; testing machine: Zwick 1484; load range: 200 kN; testing speed: 0,008 1/s; testing temperature: room temperature; test laboratory: EWIS GmbH/EADS. Test samples were turned before tensile test.
- [9] Hardness testing according to DIN EN ISO 6507-1:2018.
- [10] Roughness measurement according to DIN EN ISO 4288:1998;  $\lambda_c = 2,5$  mm.
- [11] Heat treatment: 1107 °C/2 h + cool 3 °C/min to 899 °C + 913 °C/8 h + 982 °C/6 h + 802 °C/4 h
- [12] Heat treatment: 1107 °C/2 h + cool 3 °C/min to 899 °C + 913 °C/8 h + 982 °C/6 h + 802 °C/4 h + HIP

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