Mould making by 3D printing

Eve Saarikoski, Product Manager UPM Biocomposites



Our businesses





UPM Pulp A versatile range of chemical pulp for many growing end uses



UPM Timber Certified sawn timber



UPM Forest Sourcing wood raw material for sustainable and recyclable products



UPM Energy Low-emission electricity generation of hydro, nuclear and thermal power



UPM Raflatac Self-adhesive label materials for promotion, information and functional labelling



UPM Specialty Papers Labelling materials, release base papers, flexible packaging papers, office and graphic papers



UPM Communication Papers Magazine paper, newsprint and fine papers for a wide range of end uses



UPM Plywood Plywood and veneer products for construction, vehicle flooring and LNG shipbuilding



UPM Biofuels Wood-based renewable diesel and naphtha



UPM Biochemicals Glycols, lignin products, renewable functional fillers



UPM Biomedicals Wood-based biomedical products for medical and life science applications



UPM Biocomposites UPM ProFi composite decking materials and UPM Formi bio-based composites



UPM Biocomposites

Leading the way to a more sustainable future

UPM Biocomposites

- Implements UPM Biofore strategy: Creating innovation driven, high-performing bio based alternatives to non-renewable materials
- One of the leading natural fibre composite manufacturers in Europe
- Corporate start-up part of UPM Kymmene Oyj
- Great patent portfolio on material and production technology





🖶 Lahti, Finland

Bruchsal, Germany



UPM Formi Sustainability meets high performance

UPM Formi Product lines

UPM Formi Pro

 enhancing sound performance, reducing noise

UPM Formi EcoAce

 sustainable design based on almost 100% renewable resources

UPM Formi 3D

 outperforming traditional designing with wood like materials





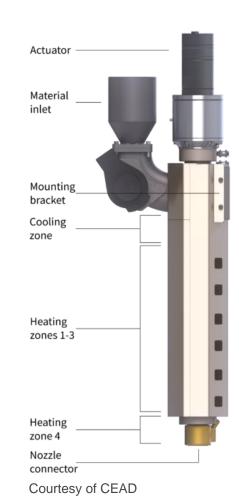
UPM Formi 3D grades

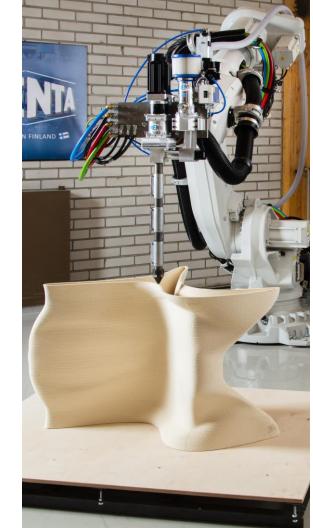
UPM Formi 3D20/19 UPM Formi 3D40



Large scale additive manufacturing

- Granulate based large-scale additive manufacturing (LSAM) enables large constructions to be 3D printed efficiently
- Possible to extrude pellets even at 84 kg/h with the most powerful extruders
- Savings in production time and material
- ~10 times lower material costs compared to filament-based printing





UPM Formi 3D20/2019 by UPM Biocomposites

Patented grade **developed especially for granulate based large scale** additive manufacturing (LSAM)

Produced in Lahti, Finland. Launched in 2019.

80% biobased, PLA used as base material, contains 20% fine cellulose fibres from **certified sustainably managed forests**

Easy-to-use "drop-in" material that allows **high-definition production**. The wood-based cellulose fibres of the material offer **extra functionality** and wood-like post-processing properties (e.g. milling, sanding, varnishing)

Lot of technical information available for customers e.g. Mechanical performance, water resistance values, coefficient of thermal expansion and HDT of printed parts. Technical support and print settings available from UPM.

Mechanical performance validation system with partner companies.

Main applications: Furnitures, moulds and patterns, interior design, panels, frames, sculptures, prototypes





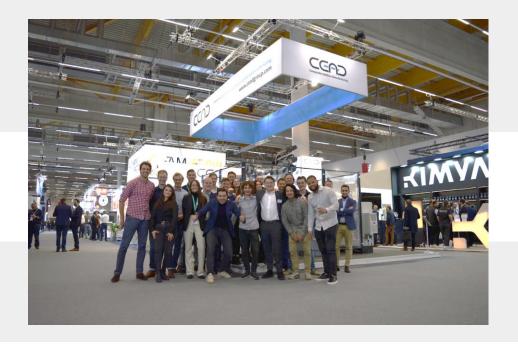
Mould making by 3D printing



- 1) LSAM technology solutions, CEAD
- 2) Non-planar 3D printing with robot
- 3) LSAM possibilities in Finland
- 4) Vacuum infusion boat moulds, Parexo boats
- 5) Concrete casting moulds, with post processing, CEAD
- 6) Concrete casting moulds, without post processing, Lumotuli

Confidential information, property of CEAD B.V.

ABOUT CEAD B.V.





Founded in 2014 in Delft, the Netherlands by Maarten Logtenberg & Lucas Janssen

10+ years experience in3D printing & machine building



On the frontier of composite additive manufacturing with pellet based material extrusion



Delivering and installing systems worldwide



Confidential information, property of CEAD B.V.

Machines & Products







Technology components

Used by integrators and clients for specific applications.

Robot based solutions

Modular solutions specific to clients needs.

Gantry based solutions

High speed and high accuracy solutions.



Technology components

CEAD E25 Robot Extruder

Low-investment alternative to explore large scale 3D printing

- » Pellet-based high output / low weight extruder » 12 kg/hour
- » Material storage and transportation included
- » Easy integration with robot or gantry system
- » Processes wide variety of thermoplastic materials



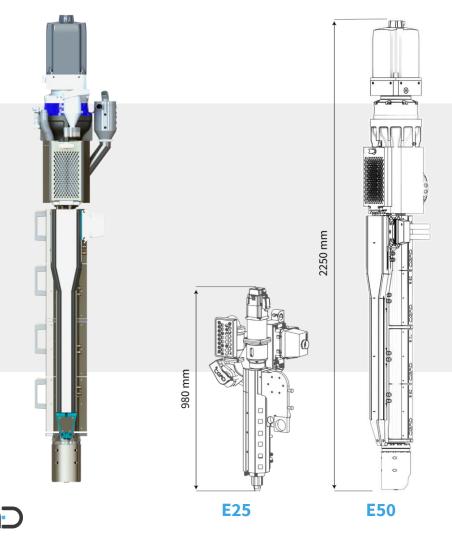


Technology components

CEAD E50 Robot Extruder

Developed for high output large scale 3D printing

- » Pellet-based high output extruder » 84 kg/hour
- » Material storage and transportation included
- » Easy integration with robot or gantry system
- » Processes wide variety of thermoplastic materials



Hybrid solutions - robot based

CEAD AM Flexbot

Large scale 3D printing and post-processing with robot arm

- » Easy-to-use proprietary print bed
- » Optional linear track for increased length
- » Tool changer: CNC milling head
 » Milling tools
 » Drilling tools
 » Insert tools
 - » Grinding/sanding tools
- » Siemens Sinumerik for accurate CNC operations

Modular and scalable system that offers flexibility and high degree of design freedom





Confidential information, property of CEAD B.V.

Hybrid solutions - gantry based

CEAD x Belotti

Large scale 3D printing and post-processing with gantry

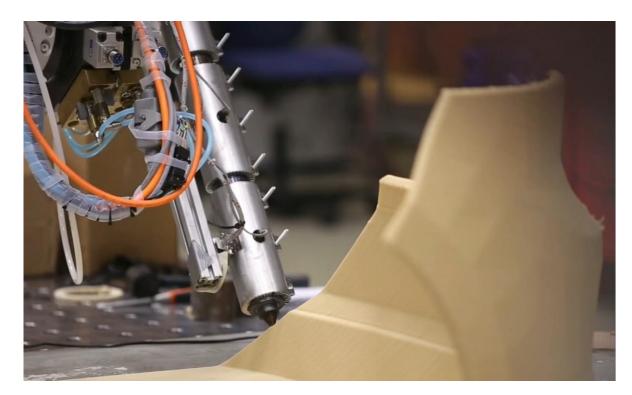
- » Expertises of both branches combined
- » Rigid construction for accurate finishing
- » Large build envelope
- » Siemens Sinumerik for accurate CNC operations







Non-planar 3D printing with robot





Non-planar 3D printing software's enable efficient optimization of 3D printed parts.

Self-supporting material properties and dimensional stability of UPM Formi 3D20/19 enables easy printing in angle





LSAM possibilities in Finland



- 1) TAMK, ABB robot on track with CEAD extuder
- 2) Savonia, Kuka robot with CEAD extruder
- 3) Centria, ABB robot on track with CEAD extruder



Boat moulds: The Challenge

Boat moulds are extremely expensive!

- Unlike automotive industry, volumes in marine industry are much lower
- Mould cost per boat is significantly higher!
- High mould cost makes new boat model launching slower

Time-to-market is too slow

- New boat models have to be on the market fast
- New agile methods and processes are definitely needed
- Modern concept development requires feedback quickly for improving next model

Reuse of old school mould is difficult

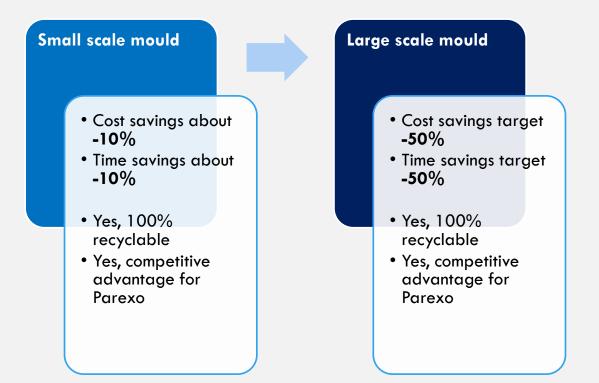
• Return on investment (ROI) should be fundamentally better



Proof Points for new mould technology

Drivers for new mould technology

- New moulds significantly more cost-effective
- New boat models faster to market
- 100% recyclable, moulds
- Competitive advantage for pioneers



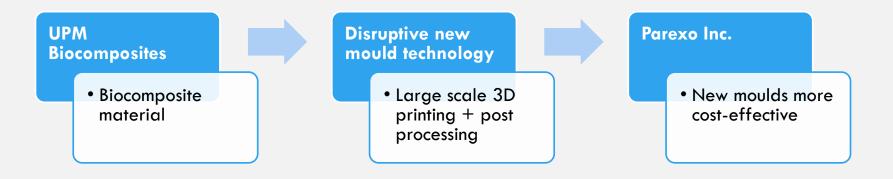


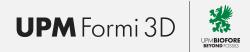
Drivers for new mould technology



- New moulds significantly more cost-effective
- New models faster to market
- 100% recyclable, moulds can be gridded down and recycled for new molds
- Competitive advantage for pioneers

Sustainable Value Chain Disrupting Old School Methodologies









Video, Parexo crafts uses sustainable mould technology





3D printed biocomposite moulds for low temperature vacuum infusion

UPM Formi 3D and LSAM technology provide a cost and resource efficient way of reducing environmental impact of the mould production

- Waste-free production with freedom of design
- Significant time and cost savings
- Use of UPM Formi 3D reduces CO2 emissions compared to fossil-based plastics
- Material reusability in 3D printing applications for a sustainable future







Confidential information, property of CEAD B.V.

CEAD AM Flexbot, printing + milling

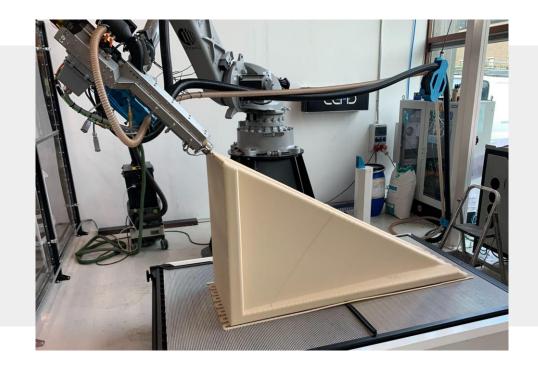
Concrete casting mold

3D print near net shape - CNC mill to tolerance

» Replacing wood and manual labour

» Commodity materials
 » PP 30% GF
 » UPM Formi (Biobased)

» Form freedom





Lumotuli fireplace



Traditional mould making issue:

Benefits

- Long production lead times of casting moulds
- Significant amount of waste generated by CNC milling

3D printed concrete casting moulds

	Streamlined and simplified local production, Faster lead time (5 weeks -> one week)
	Minimum amount of manual work needed
	Significant mould weight reduction (up to 80%)
	No waste / high material efficiency,100% recyclability
	Biobased alternative, replacing fossil based
	Compatibility with plywood

Compatibility with plywood structures







