

# FULL SCALE CFD SIMULATION OF AN ADVANCED EXHAUST AFTERTREATMENT

6TH TWO-DAY MEETING ON PROPULSION SIMULATIONS USING  
OPENFOAM TECHNOLOGY

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# EMITEC TECHNOLOGIES GmbH: PORTFOLIO OF METAL SUBSTRATES

## FROM CHAINSAW TO LOCOMOTIVE



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## GLOBAL FOOTPRINT



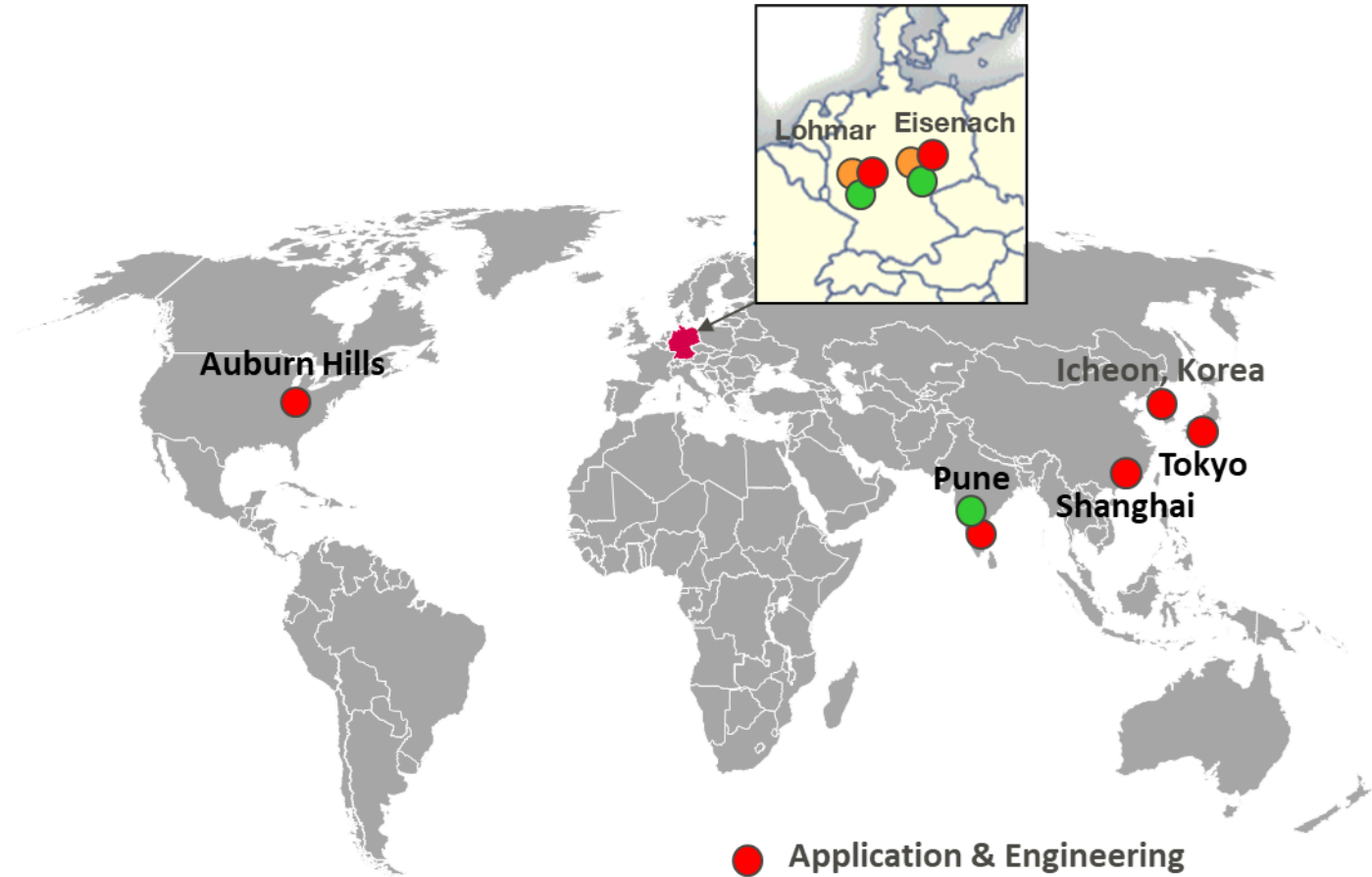
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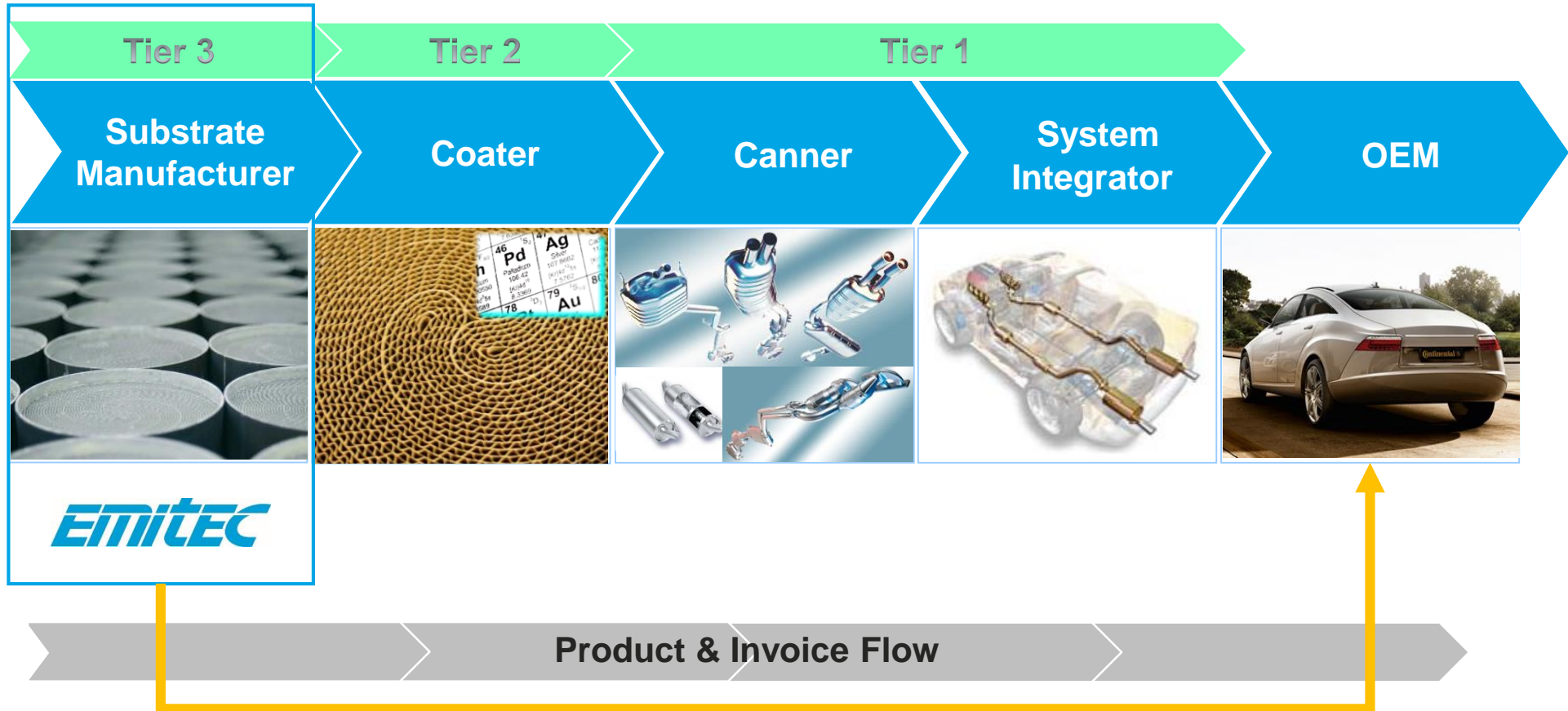
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# SUPPLY CHAIN

FROM EMITEC TO FINAL CUSTOMER (OEM)

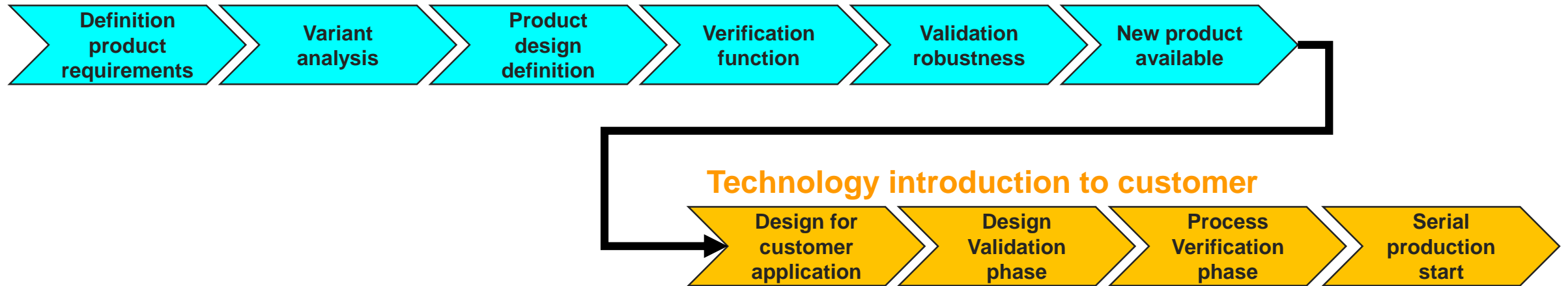


Always in direct contact with OEM / final customer

# COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION PROCESS

WORKING PROCESS FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF A CERTAIN TECHNOLOGY UP TO NOW

## Development of new technology



- **Development / introduction of new technology:** testing required (verification / validation)
- **Final customer:** strong involvement in component development process, continuous communication
- **Component supplier:** involvement in system development relatively low
- **Timing challenges** could be faced by:
  - Fusioning partially both main processes
  - Applying flexible project management in agreement with and supported by the final customer



# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FUTURE

## LEGISLATION ON EMISSIONS

### European legislation:

- Eu7 (PassCar): similar to Eu6

### Chinese legislation:

- Ch7: still unknown, possible scenarios being studied

### USA legislation:

- LEV IV: Aggressive Driving, Quick Drive Away, High Power Cold Start Standards for PHEV, cold cycles such as US06...

Limits Cars	Euro 7		China 6b		China 7 (Matching EU Limits)		China 7 (Matching EU CF)	
	Laboratory	RDE	Laboratory	RDE	Laboratory	RDE	Laboratory	RDE
NO <sub>x</sub> gasoline	60 mg/km	66 mg/km	35 mg/km	74 mg/km	35 mg/km	63 mg/km	35 mg/km	39 mg/km
NO <sub>x</sub> diesel	80 mg/km	88 mg/km	35 mg/km	74 mg/km	35 mg/km	63 mg/km	35 mg/km	39 mg/km
PM	5 mg/km	5 mg/km	3 mg/km	6 mg/km	3 mg/km	5 mg/km	3 mg/km	3 mg/km
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THC	100 mg/km	100 mg/km	50 mg/km	105 mg/km	50 mg/km	90 mg/km	50 mg/km	50 mg/km
NMHC	68 mg/km	68 mg/km	35 mg/km	74 mg/km	35 mg/km	63 mg/km	35 mg/km	35 mg/km
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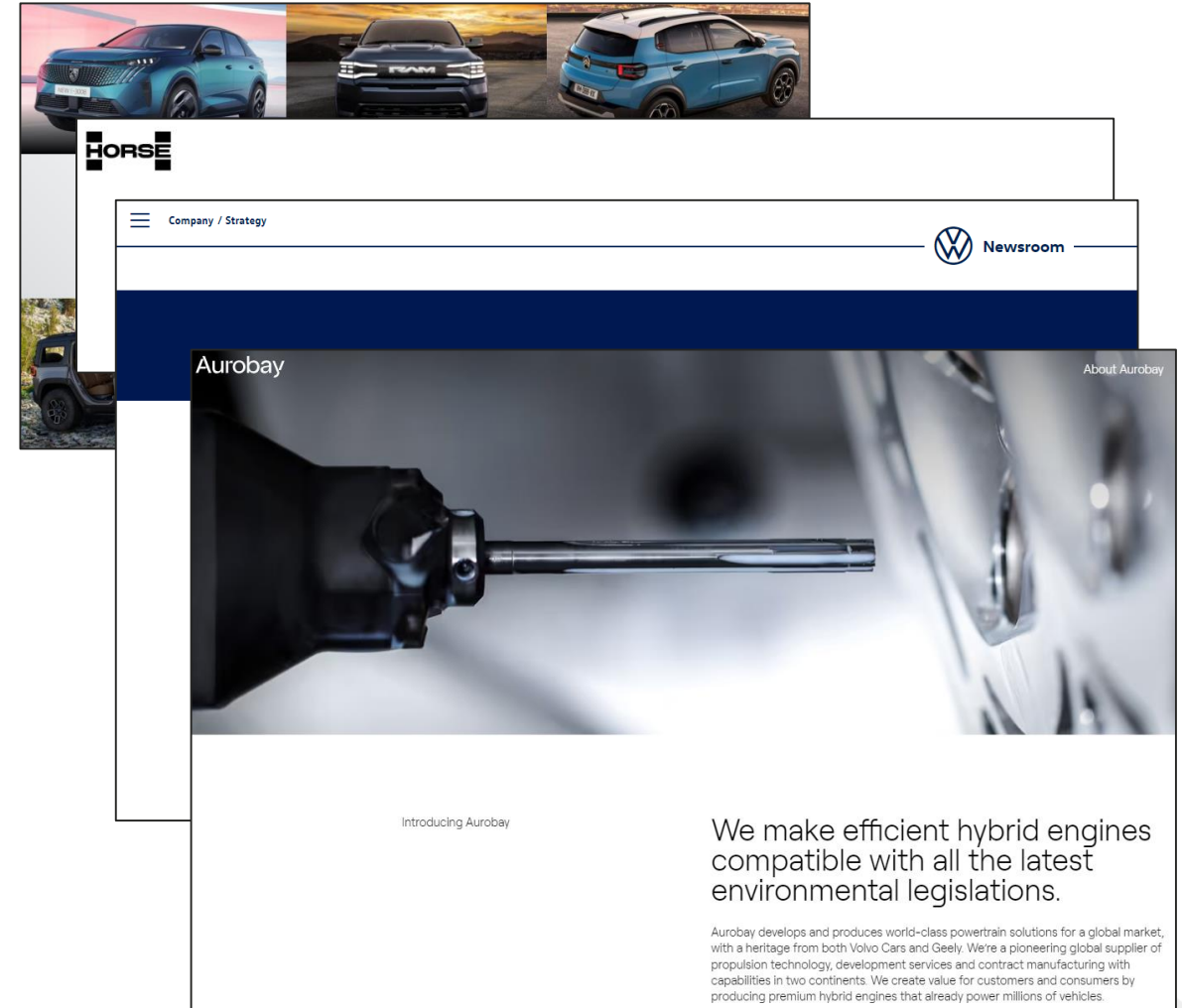
Source possible Eu7/Ch7 scenarios: „The Long Path of the EU7/VII Emission Legislation and its Consequences; Influence on Exhaust Gas Aftertreatment”, Emitec Technologies; International Vienna Motor Symposium; 2024 (Vienna, Austria).

Source USA legislation: “Innovative and cost-effective Exhaust After Treatment for LEV Tier IV emission legislation”, Aurobay, Emitec Technologies; 12. Internationaler Motorenkongress; 2024 (Baden-Baden, Germany)

# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FUTURE

## FINAL CUSTOMER

- **Strategical reorientation:** electrification, BEV full development (especially in European market)
- **Redefinition of financial targets:** increased profitability dictated for ICE / existing systems
- **Internal restructuring:** re-allocation of available resources
- **Outsourcing:** development competences outsourced to engineering service providers / system developers

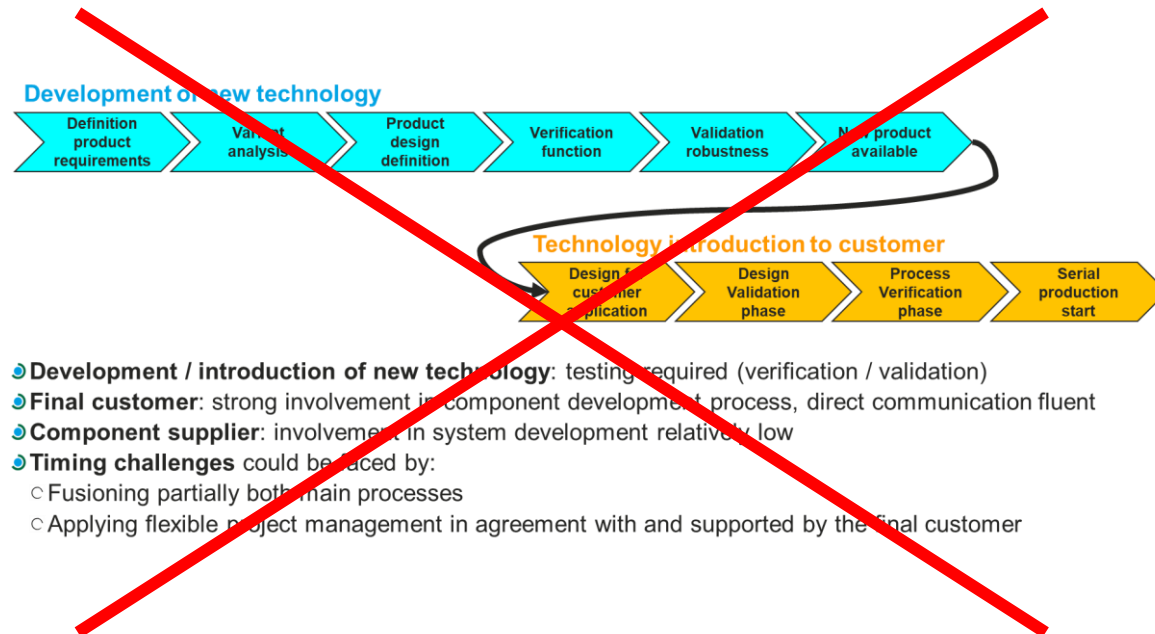


Source: <https://www.stellantis.com/content/dam/stellantis-corporate/investors/events-and-presentations/presentations/Stellantis-FY2023-Results-Presentation.pdf>; <https://www.horse.cars/about-horse>; <https://www.volkswagen-newsroom.com/en/strategy-3912>; <https://www.aurobay.com/about/introducing-aurobay>

# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FUTURE

## COMPONENT SUPPLIER

- Past working boundary premises obsolete



### Future working premises:

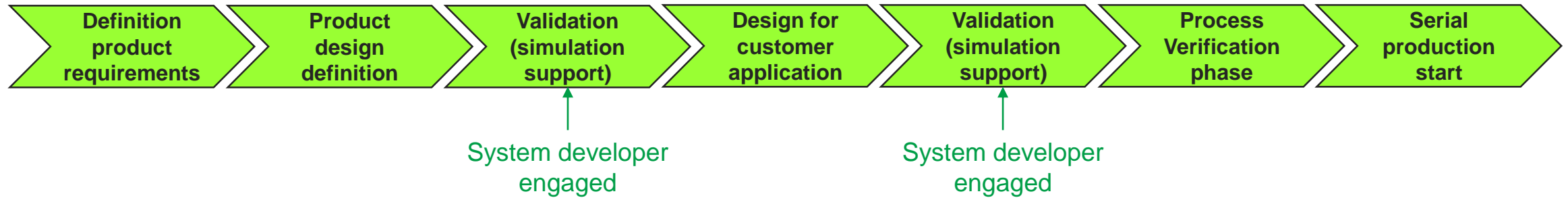
- **Development / introduction of new technology:**
  - reduced testing, reduced timing
- **Final customer:**
  - Low/no involvement in component development process, low/no direct communication
  - Reduced resources
- **System developer / service provider:** strong involvement in component development process, direct communication needed
- **Component supplier:** involvement in system development increased
- **Timing challenges** can be faced by:
  - Reshaping the working process
  - Increasing the usage of virtual tools (simulations)



# COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION PROCESS

## FUTURE WORKING PROCESS FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF A CERTAIN TECHNOLOGY

### New technology development and introduction to customer



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# APPLICATING SIMULATION SUPPORT TO NEW TECHNOLOGIES

## METALIT® SUBSTRATE CS DESIGN (CROSSVERSAL STRUCTURE)



### CS Design

- Material and cost savings (no flat foils between corrugated foils)
- Geometric Surface Area compensated by applying higher cell densities and improved mass transfer
- Improved coating distribution by reduced contact lines
- Lower pressure loss compared to standard substrates with same efficiency

# APPLICATING SIMULATION SUPPORT WITH NEW TECHNOLOGIES

## CUSTOMER APPLICATION



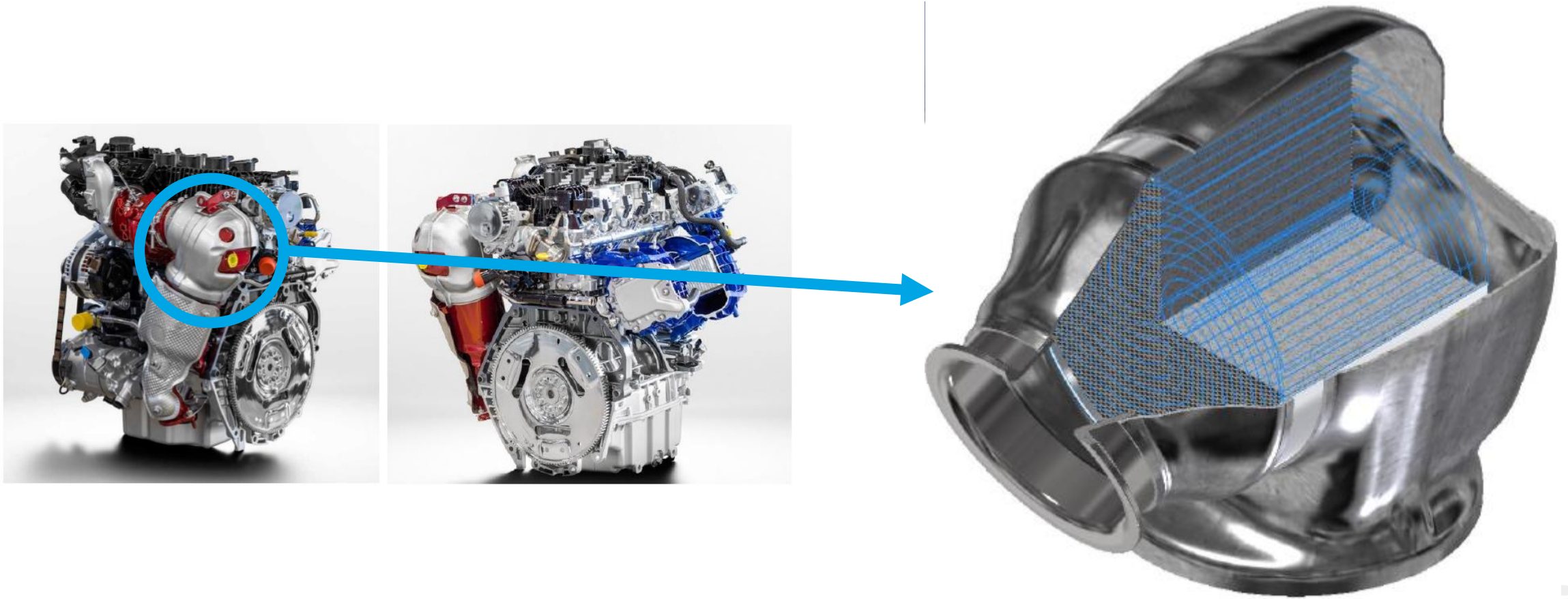
Source: Testcar courtesy from Stellantis; University Politecnico di Milano





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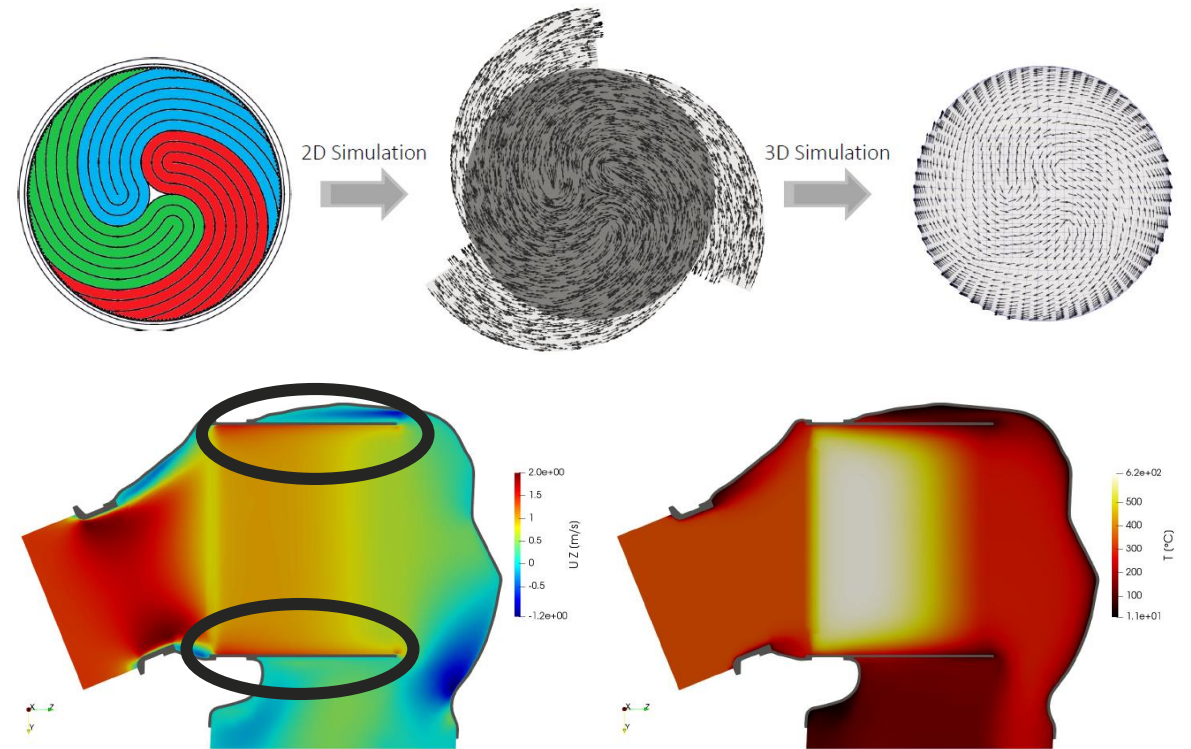
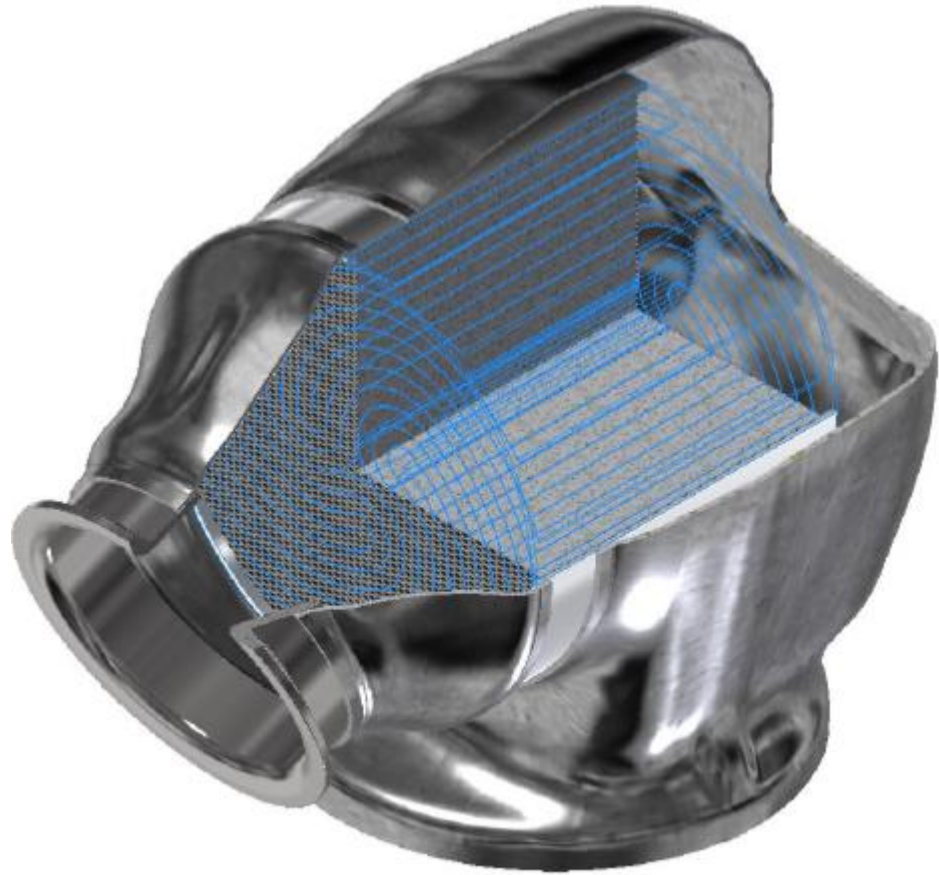
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# APPLICATING SIMULATION SUPPORT WITH NEW TECHNOLOGIES

## CUSTOMER APPLICATION. TEMPERATURE DISTRIBUTION IN SUBSTRATE



- Analysis of thermal distribution identifies spots to be improved

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# APPLICATING SIMULATION SUPPORT WITH NEW TECHNOLOGIES

## CUSTOMER APPLICATION. SUBSTRATE MANTLE DESIGN OPTIMISATION

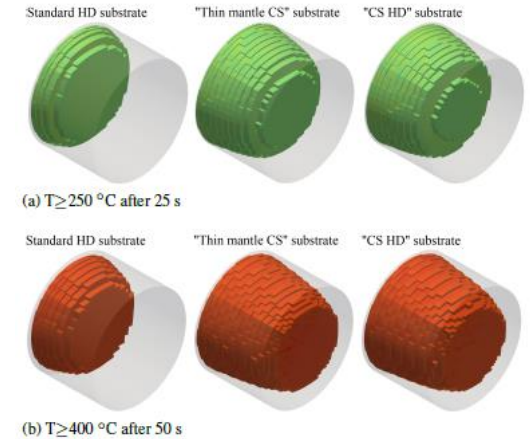
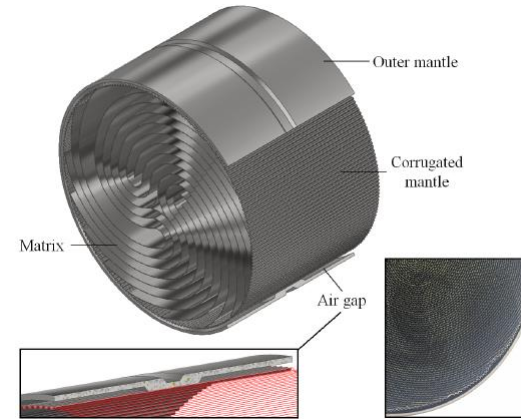
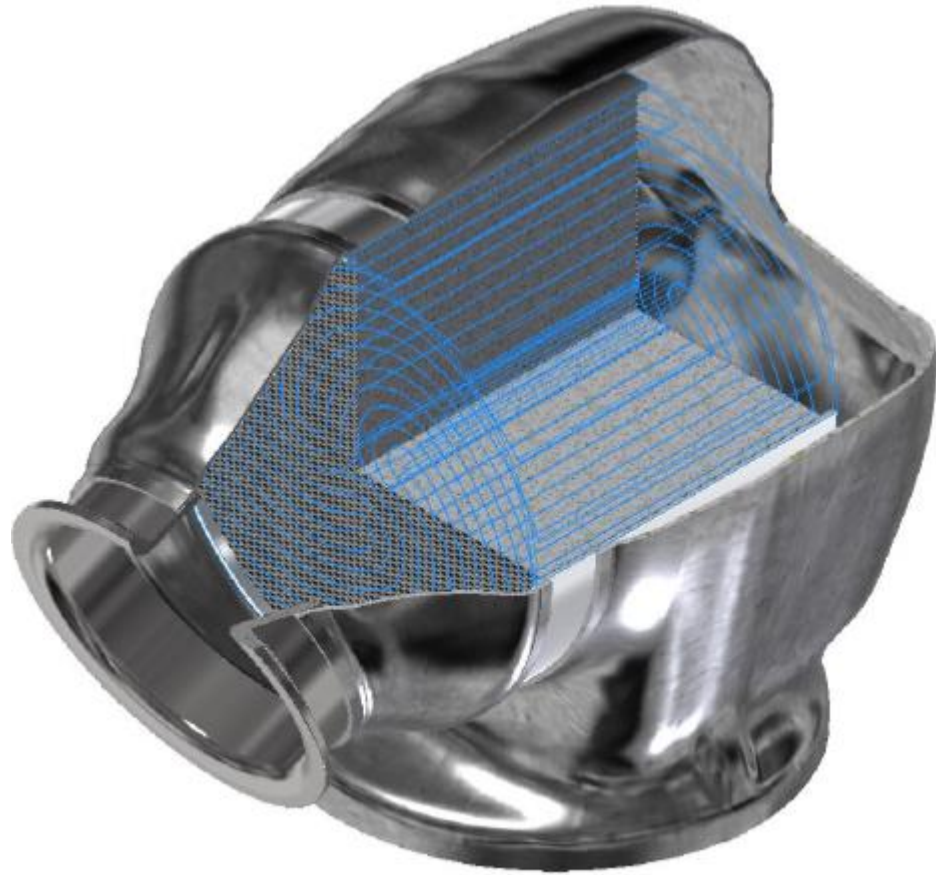
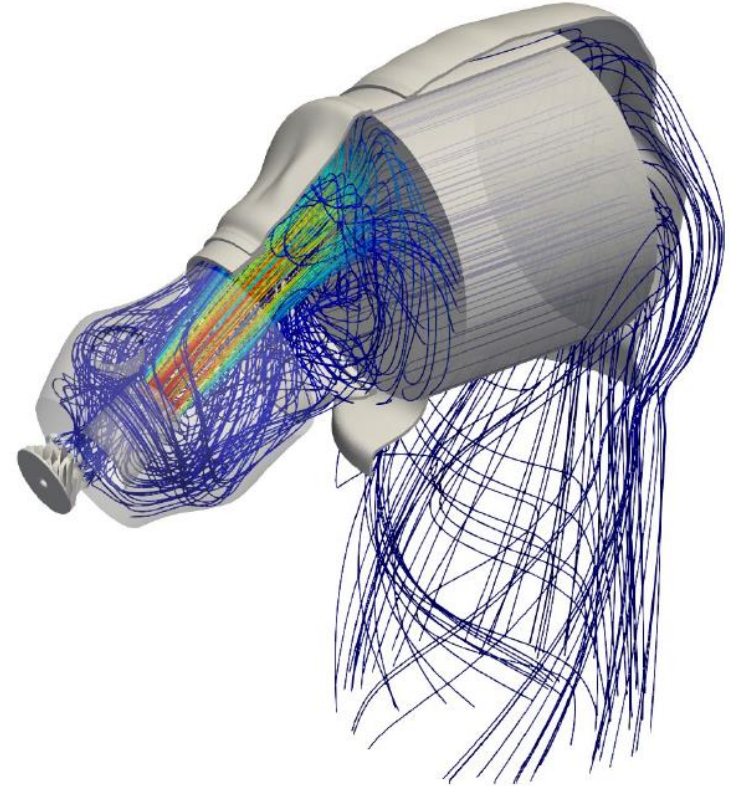
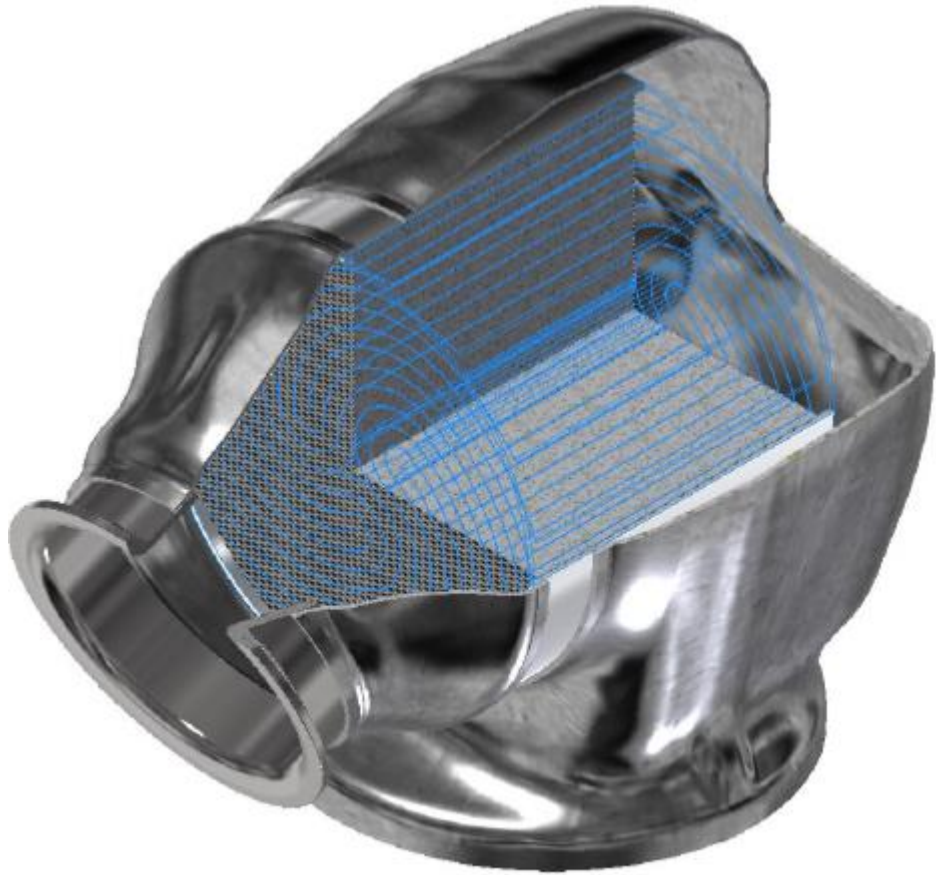


Figure 29: Matrix volume at a temperature greater than or equal to 250 and 400 °C, respectively after 25 and 50 s.

- Simulation allows design optimisation of the substrate mantle (reduction of thermal losses) without additional testing loops

# APPLICATING SIMULATION SUPPORT WITH NEW TECHNOLOGIES

## CUSTOMER APPLICATION. FLOW DISTRIBUTION IN SUBSTRATE

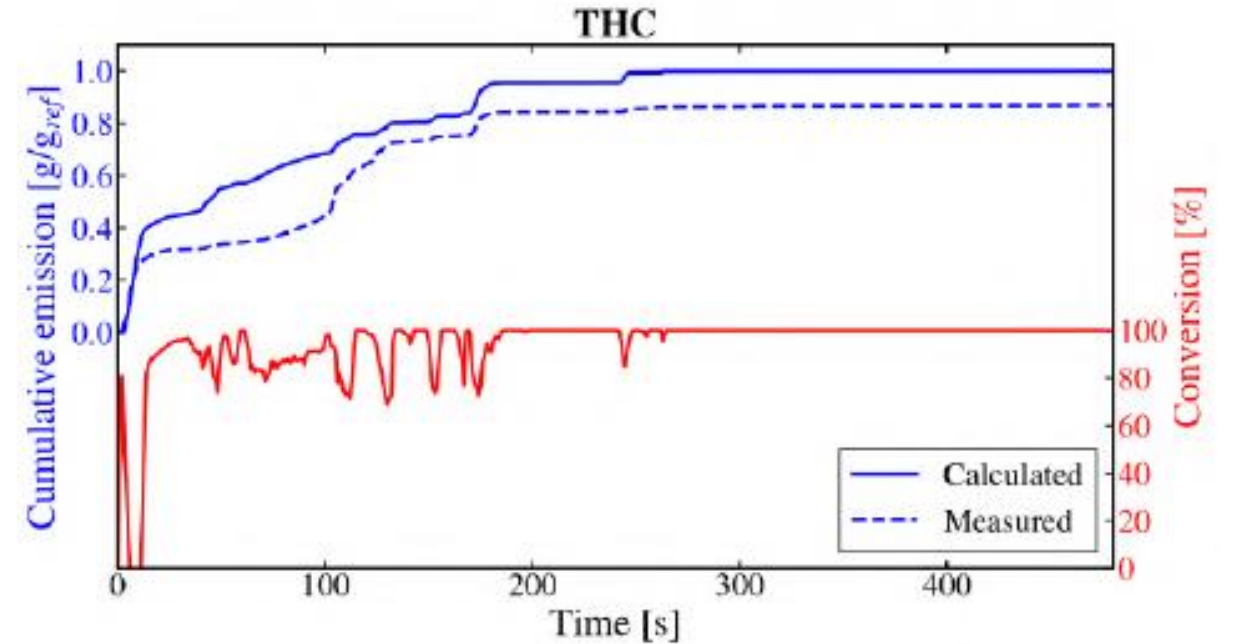
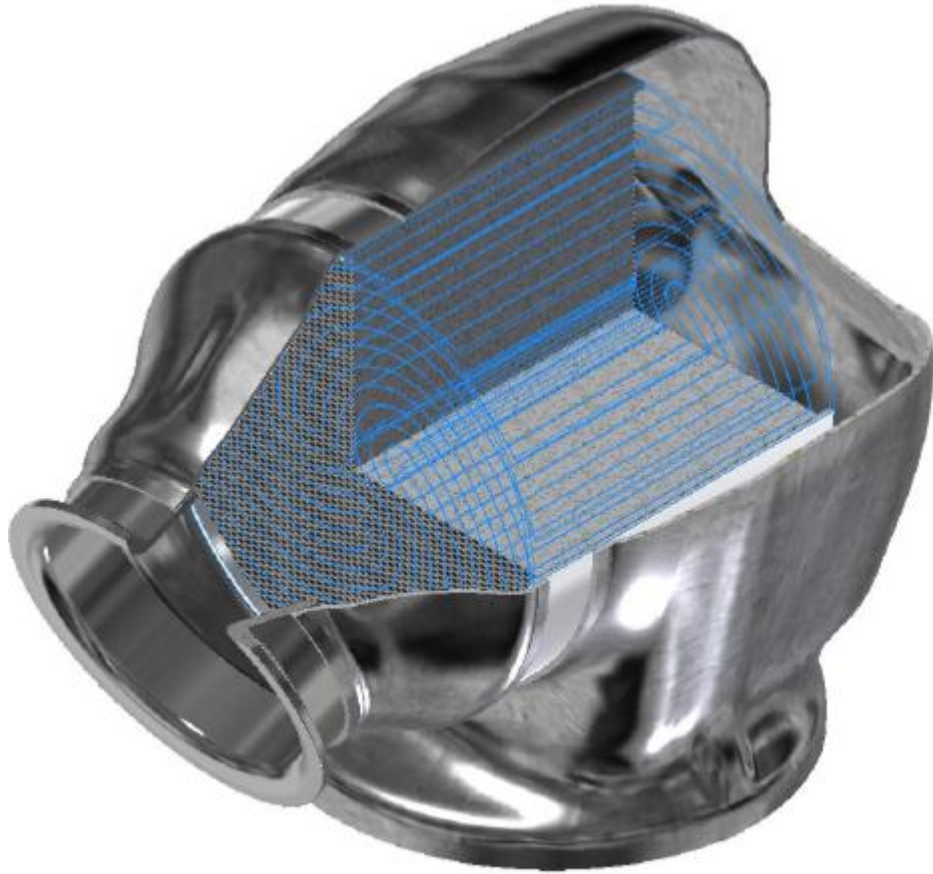


- Simulation allows to vary / adapt the flow distribution according to the specific application

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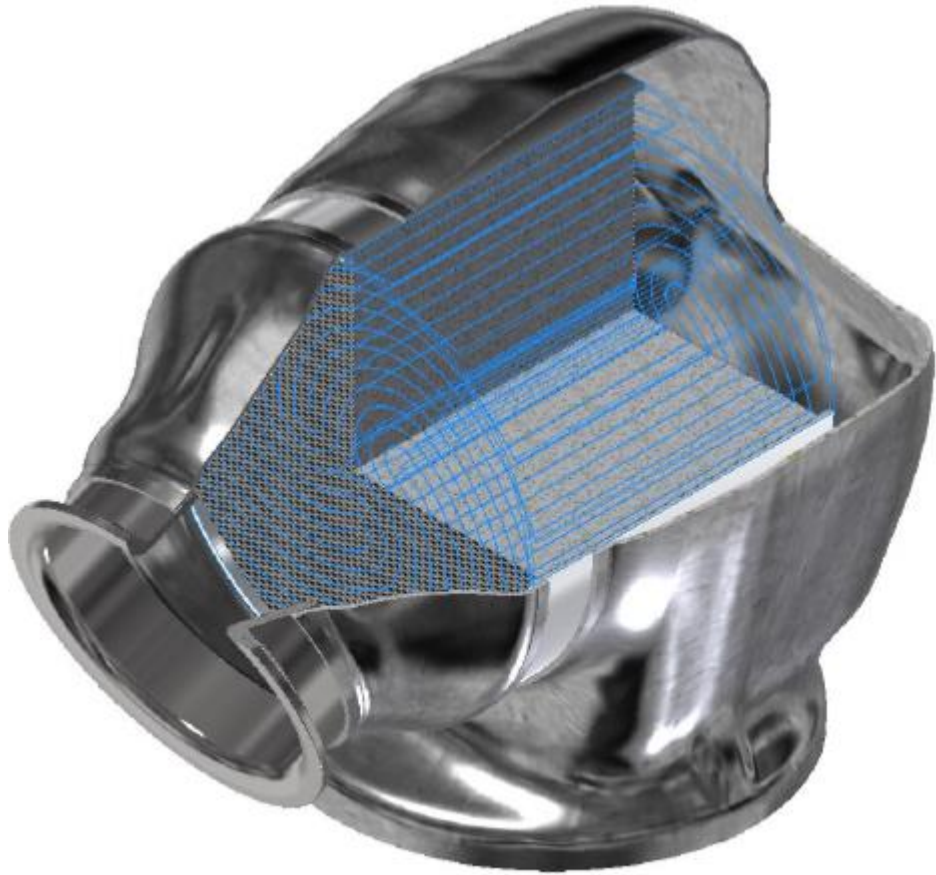


- Simulation of pollutants allows to verify the validity of the optimised design with different driving cycles

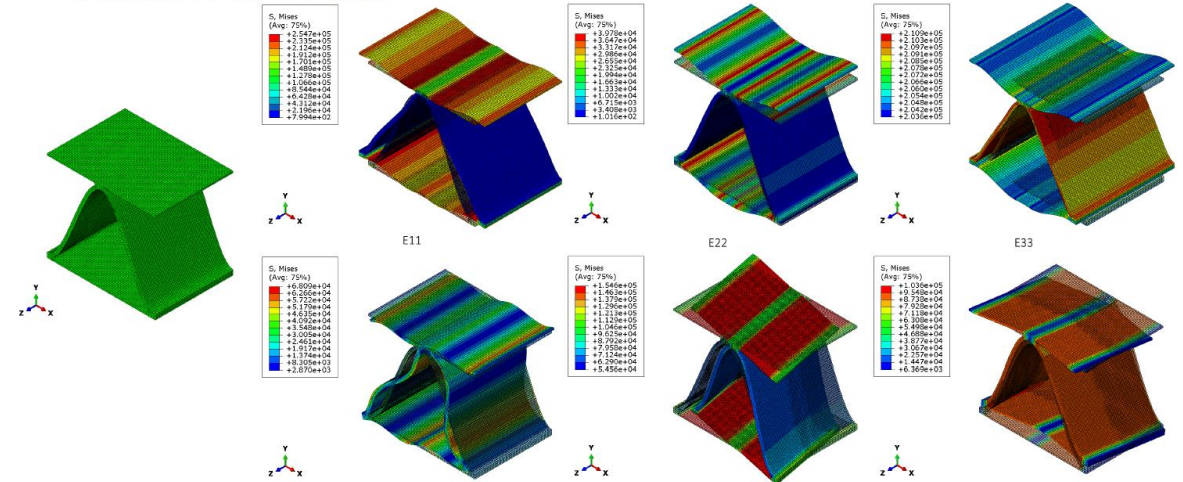


# APPLICATING SIMULATION SUPPORT WITH NEW TECHNOLOGIES

## CUSTOMER APPLICATION. FLOW DISTRIBUTION IN SUBSTRATE



➤ Von Mises stress field



- Stress simulation is desirable to prevent failures and optimise the design before final validation

Source: University Politecnico di Milano

# CONCLUSION

- Changing legislation and customer requirements make it mandatory to adapt the component supplier working premises to the new situation:
  - The need for new technologies remains
  - Reduced resources on the customer side need to be considered
  - Development timing needs to be reduced
  - Testing needs to be reduced
  - Relationships with the final customer and system developers need to be redefined
  - A stronger integration of the component development within the system development process is needed





# CONCLUSION

- Simulation tools will play increasingly a key role in the future in the component supplier world:
  - Increase of in-house simulation resources
  - Increase of usage of external simulation services
  - Stronger coupling of single simulation processes with the system development process
  - Comprehensive simulation tools requested for evaluating all significant development steps





# THANK YOU!