



Aerospace Materials Testing and Analysis

Advanced Alloys | Carbon-Fiber Composites | Thermal Coatings

Aerospace programs continue to demand higher strength-to-weight ratios in airframes, propulsion systems, and other critical structures. Curtiss-Wright Materials Testing & Analytical Services supports these efforts by generating clear, defensible data on both metallic and non-metallic materials.

Our laboratories bring together metallurgists, chemists, mechanical engineers, and specialized technical staff who work directly with leading aerospace OEMs and Tier 1 suppliers. Engagement spans the full development cycle—from late-stage R&D to qualification and full-rate production.

By focusing on essential material behaviors and eliminating unnecessary complexity in testing workflows, we provide the validated data, failure-mode insight, and supplier-quality verification needed to ensure long-term reliability in demanding flight environments.

Accredited Analytical Services

Curtiss-Wright Materials Testing and Analytical Services maintains certifications from major Aerospace Engine, Aircraft Airframe, and Low-Earth-Orbit Satellite manufacturers. Our international accreditations cover testing of both metallic and polymer-based materials. For the most current list of approvals and certificates, please refer to our website.

Curtiss-Wright's Mechanical Fatigue Testing Services apply controlled cyclic loading (HCF and LCF) to characterize how materials respond to fluctuating stresses and temperatures. These tests establish fatigue life data that support material development, validate performance requirements, and help reduce the risk of in-service failures.

Understanding fatigue behavior is essential in sectors such as aerospace and medical devices, where component reliability, safety margins, and long-term durability must be demonstrated through repeatable, data-driven evaluation.

Aerospace Materials Testing Methods

Mechanical Testing

- Coating Adhesion/Bond Strength
- Creep/Stress Rupture
- Erosion Testing of Coatings
- Fatigue Testing
- Thermomechanical Fatigue Testing (up to 1800°F)
- Sub-Ambient Fatigue Testing (down to -320°F)
- High Cycle Fatigue
- Low Cycle Fatigue
- Flexural
- Fracture Mechanics
- Hardness (Brinell, Rockwell)
- Hydrogen Embrittlement
- Impact Testing
- Rotating Beam Fatigue
- Tensile, Yield, Elongation

Metallurgical Analysis

- Aggressive Machining Evaluations
- Alpha Case
- Case Depth
- Decarburization
- Effective Case Depth
- Grain Size
- Image Analysis
- Inclusion Content
- Intergranular Attack
- Macro-etching/Micro-etching
- Metallography
- Microhardness (Knoop, Vickers)
- Microstructure
- Particle Analysis
- Plating & Coating Analysis
- Porosity
- Failure Cause Analysis
- Specialty Material Preparation
- Thermal Spray Coating Analysis
- Weld, Braze & Joining Evaluations

Composite / Polymer Testing

- Additive Analysis to Trace Level
- Bond Strength
- Chemical Exposure Testing
- Chemical Resistance
- Coefficient of Friction
- Compressive Properties
- Contaminant Identification
- Density & Specific Gravity
- DSC Analysis: Melting Point, Glass Transition, % Crystallinity
- Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)
- Extractables
- Fatigue Testing
- Temp from -340°F to 1800°F
- Flammability
- Flexural Properties
- FTIR Analysis
- Hardness: Rockwell, Durometer, Barcol
- Heat Aging
- Impact Strength
- Lap Shear Testing
- Material Identification
- Melt Flow Rate/Index
- Oil Content
- SEFA Testing
- SEM/EDS Analysis: Fillers
- Tensile Testing: Flatwise, Cruciform, Hoop, -340°F to 660°F
- TGA: Polymer, Glass and Ash Content
- TMA: Glass Transition, Coefficient of Thermal Expansion
- XRD: Phase Identification

Chemical Testing & Analysis

- Alloy Identification/ Verification
- Cleanliness/ Contaminant Analysis
- ICP-AES Analysis
- ICP-MS Analysis for Trace Elements
- OES Analysis
- Particle Size Analysis
- PMI (Positive Material Identification)
- SEM/EDS
- XRF Analysis
- XRD Analysis

Corrosion Testing

- Cyclic Corrosion
- Electrical Resistivity
- Temperature & Humidity Testing
- Salt Spray Testing
- SO₂ and SO₂/CO₂ Exposure



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