# **Company Overview**

**Dino Boccaccini**Senior Researcher



# Basic concepts and facts





In 2003: First spin-off company from the University of Milan

Apply modern petrology's instruments and methodology to materials science

Laboratory setup with analytical and technological equipment

In 2007: Brembo invests in the company

Main focus on brake technology and materials

Production of materials and technology development

■ In 2008: Quality Certification and MIUR Accreditation

In 2009: Move at the Scientific Park Kilometro Rosso

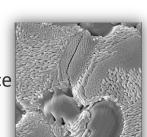
Own R&D Projects - Diversification strategy

Ballistic materials

Bio-medicals materials

Composite materials for automotive and aerospace











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**Petroceramics: Team** 

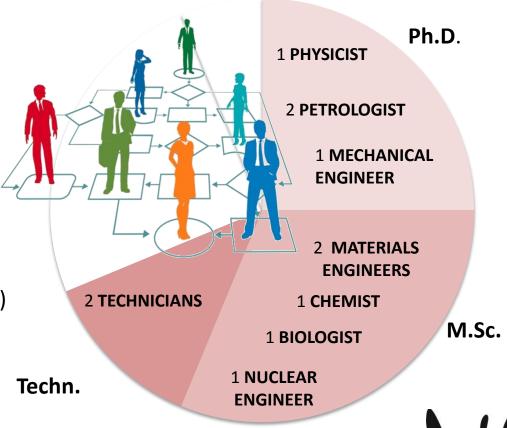
### **Team of 15 structured employees**

10 highly specialized professionals led by the CEO Ph.D. M. Valle

# **External resources / referees**

Active founders (2 Full Professors)

University R&D (3 Ph.D. Researchers)



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### **Petroceramics concept**

- Apply modern experimental methodology to advanced materials
  - Innovative view on complex, multiphase materials
  - Attention to details, textures, structures, interfaces and surfaces characteristics
  - Capacity to measure what is important
- «Stay hungry» mentality
  - Unlimited curiosity, promoting creativity and hands-on attitude
  - Small, flat and efficient organization, limiting internal bureaucracy and focusing on final results
  - Cross-pollination, always trying to apply what leant in new field of use
- «Stay Fit» (if not foolish)
  - Young team, open to new contributions
  - Cost control, especially on SG&A



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### **Business** idea

- Petroceramics provides a wide range of R&D services in Advanced Materials
  - Laboratory analysis and material characterization
  - Conceptualization, management and fulfillment of ad-hoc R&D projects
    - Under customer's leadership who will benefit all tangible/intangible project results
    - With Own project leadership with customer's supervision and regular up-date
    - Delivery of directly marketable solutions (Killer Product/Applications)
  - Prototyping and fine tuning of own or customers' materials
  - Small scale production
- Self-initiated projects which brought Petroceramics to develop and patent new materials and production process
  - Petroceramics offers the possibility to use own IP and develop new



# Petroceramics: Operative model

# **PETROCERAMICS**

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INTUITON: cutting edge materials and technology NETWORKING: with academy and research centers RELIABILITY: in prototyping COLLABORATION: front and back-end STRATEGY: Long-term and perspective EFFECTIVENESS: in design and implementation Own flash of inspiration Technology and material

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### **Petroceramics: Laboratory**



### Scanning electronic microscope (SEM)

JEOL JSM-5910LV with microanalysis system iXRF EDS-2000 JEOL JSM-IT300LA with microanalysis system EDS/SSD)

X-Ray diffractometer

**BRUKER D5000** 

**Optical dilatometer** 

**Expert System Solution Misura 3 ODLT** 

Thermal conductivity and diffusivity

NETZSCH GERAETEBAU MICROFLASH LFA 457/2/G

**Dynamometers** 

CONTROLS 65-L13G2/C; NETZSCH BST 401/3

Laser granulometer

Malvern Mastersizer 2000









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# Petroceramics

### **Petroceramics: Small scale production**

### **MACHINERY FOR RAW MATERIALS PREPARATION**

**Atomizer** 

PROJECTA ENGINEERING 300

**High-energy mill** 

**NETZSCH LMK 4** 

Granulator

TRIA 32-20 JM

### **MACHINERY FOR MOLDING**

Vertical molding machine

GIFER VPS 80 M2

**Vertical molding machine** 

GIFER VPS 175 R

Horizontal injection molding machine

ARBURG 270 S 400 70







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### **Petroceramics: Small scale production**

### **OVENS FOR THERMAL TREATMENTS**

High pressure oven, 2200°C, 100bar

**TAV GPS 448** 

Vacuum oven, 2400°C

**TAV 329** 

Vacuum oven, 1600°C

**ARCHER HT2031** 

Oven, 1750°C

NABARTHERM HT160/17

**Debinding oven** 

**TEKNO KILNS FC80-PC** 

**Debinding oven** 

PADELTHERM KHR 50X50X100 ES/K+TNV

**Debinding oven** 

TERMALCONCEPT KU 540/07 DB

**Induction heater** 

**AMIND EKOHEAT 45** 





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**Projects** 

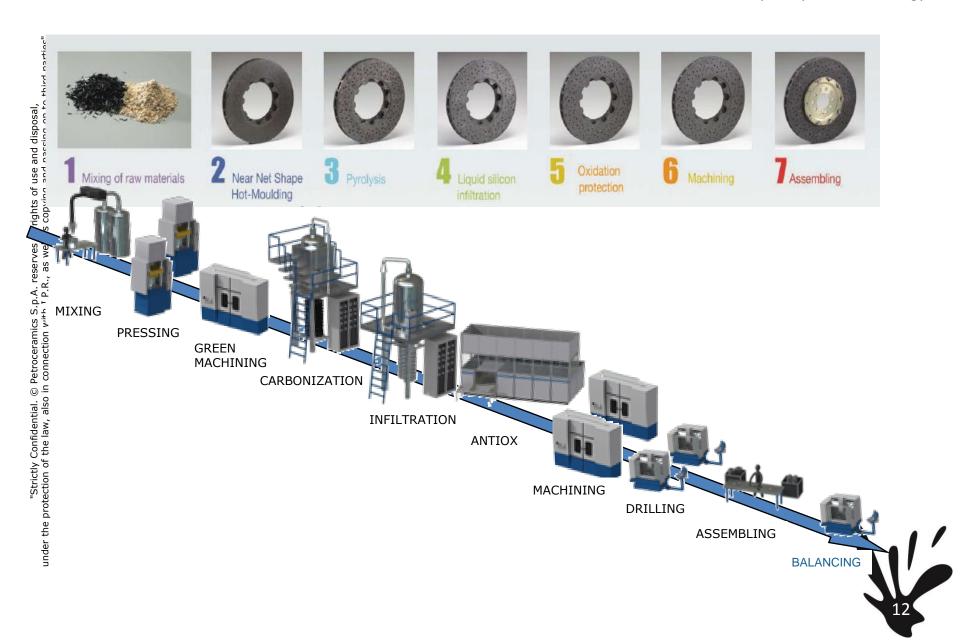




# **CCM Process Flow**

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# Petroceramics approchaes for antiballistic applications









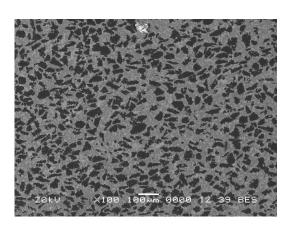


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# Petroceramics silicon infiltrated materials

	PETRO-SiC	PETRO-B <sub>4</sub> C SiC	PETRO-B <sub>4</sub> C
Protection level (NatoStanag)	4	4	4
SiC content	80%	40%	-
B <sub>4</sub> C content	-	40%	80%
Si content	20%	20%	20%
Density (g/cm³)	2.95-3.05	2.7-2.8	2.5-2.6
Young Modulus (GPa)	>210	>210	>250
Flexural Strength (MPa)	>300	>300	>300
Hardness (Vickers HV 500 g)	24	27	30





Petroceramics material shows a homogeneus structure.

Other materials can be done (e.g. change of granulometry or phase ratio)



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# **Gracias!**

