# Ultra Lightweight Parts with Nanovate™ Plating on Plastics



30% weight savings vs. aluminum with stronger and more durable parts

# Structural Plating on Plastics

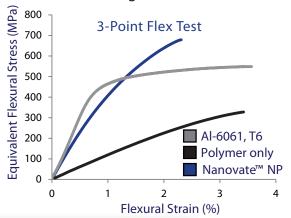
Nanovate™ NP combines high strength nanocrystalline metal coatings on injection molded plastics, resulting in lighter, stronger, more durable parts than aluminum. A wide array of polymers can be used including ABS, Nylon, PEEK, SLS, SLA and FDM





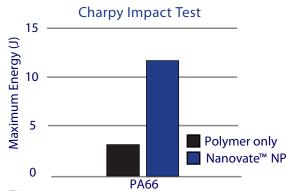
# Stronger and Lighter than Aluminum . . .

100 µm of Nanovate<sup>™</sup> on GF Nylon comparable to Al with 30% reduction in weight

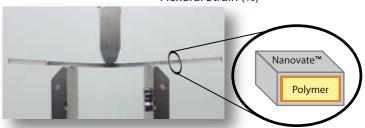


# And More Durable

Nanovate<sup>™</sup> adds impact resistance to polymers

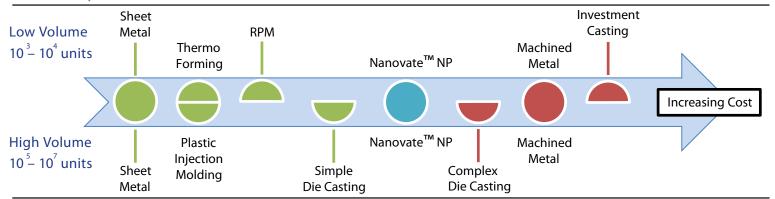


PA66 Nanovate<sup>™</sup> on PEEK tougher than solid Al on impact





# **Cost Comparison**



# **Example Applications**



**Jet Engine Components** 



Aircraft Interiors



Consumer Electronics



**Medical Devices** 



# Replace Metal using Nanovate™ Structural Plating on Plastics

# Design & Manufacturing Process

# **Applications**



# Design

A preliminary technical and commercial feasibility discussion followed by design feedback on CAD models. Corners are rounded to avoid



# Plastic and Coating Selection

Optimizing for strength, weight, and functional properties the best plating grade polymer and Nanovate™ alloy complement



# Injection Molding

The part is injection molded with no mold release and optimized for surface quality. Initial parts are checked for platability



# Plastic Activation

The part is activated using proprietary processes for the selected polymer and is ready for the first metallic layer



Copper Plating

The activated part is given a thin layer of copper to act as a conductive base ready for the Nanovate™ process



Nanovate<sup>™</sup> Plating The key step in the manufacturing process, Nanovate<sup>™</sup> is applied providing the structural and functional properties for the part. The coating thickness is typically 30 - 100 µm



# **Finishing**

If required a thin layer of chrome, clear coat, paint, or a variety of other finishes can be applied



### Selective Plating



Paint masking over a well defined edge

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Two-shot molding with plating and non-plating polymer





# **About Integran**

Integran is a world leader in Nanocrystalline Metal Plating and has a 10 year track record of developing high performance coatings for military and environmental agencies.

Our nanotechnology enabled coatings take advantage of small grain size effects to provide superior performance at reduced weight vs conventional materials



Coarse Grained Metal (10 µm average grain size)



Nanovate<sup>™</sup> Metal (10 -100 nm grain size)

Integran's Toronto, Canada facilities include:

- R&D, prototyping and development facility
- ITAR compliant (Canadian controlled goods program) 5x Stronger
- AS9100C certified by 2012
- · Fully equipped test lab

Integran is also a leader in commercializing nanotechnology:

- Open to licensing for mass production opportunities
- · Already licensed to manufacturing partners in Mexico and China

Nanovate<sup>™</sup> NP is a Green Technology supported by SDTC

### Platable Resins

ABS PEI CF/GF
ABS-GF PEEK CF/GF
Nylon PPA
Nylon-GF PPS
PAA SLA
PAI SLS

### **Featured Resins**

DuPont<sup>™</sup> Zytel® HTN53G40LWMF

Metafuse™ Nanometal/Polymer Hybrids
Victrex® PEEK™ 450CA30

Platable advanced engineering polymer Harvest Technologies Nylon GF HST

Rapid prototyping polymer

### **Recent Awards**

2011 JEC Innovation Award (w/ partner ACG) 2010 Frost & Sullivan's North American Enabling Technology of the year 2010 Boeing SURFAIR Innovation Award 2009 Lux Research Global Leader in Nanocoatings

2008 ASM Canada - Corporate Innovation Award

### Selected Partners

### **Government and Defense**



### Commercial



### CleanTech Initiatives



### Integran Technologies Facility



# Other Highlighted Technologies



**Functional Coatings** 



Magnetic & EMI Shielding



**Composite Tube Liners** 

