

# Complete Fuel Cell Stack Development from Subcomponent Design to Full Stack Validation

#### THE CHALLENGES

In addition to increasingly stringent vehicle emissions regulations, the transportation industry is facing many other challenges such as:

- Reducing noise and vibration for vehicles operating near populated areas
- Designing more efficient vehicles
- Responding to demand for increased range in electric vehicles
- Demanding faster refueling, particularly in high availability applications
- Reducing fuel costs
- Lowering the cost of commercial vehicle ownership

#### THE AVL SOLUTION

We offer a full suite of fuel cell engineering and design services, from fuel cell stack development to their integration into fuel cell systems, powertrains and vehicles.

#### We can:

- Design, integrate, simulate and offer testing support for subcomponents, stacks and fuel systems
- Create stack architectures suited to specific applications
- Model stack performance for trade-off studies with the fuel cell system
- Design and optimize unit cells
- Provide benchmarking and material selection for stack components
- Build, test, and analyze prototypes
- Partner at any scale, from start-ups to OEMs, and leverage our global supply base

### STACK

Automotive, marine, stationary

## PLATE

Metal or carbon (with seal option)

**BIPOLAR** 

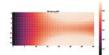
#### MEA

Electrode, membrane, CCM, GDL



#### **MODELS**

Steady state, dynamic, 1D/2D, performance, degradation



#### COMPRESSION HARDWARE

End plate, spring platebus bars



#### **TOOLS**

Component characterization (e.g. current mapping, CVM)



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Stack design
Operating strategy



Benchmarking
Failure analysis

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Simulation	

Testing/test procedures

Test facilities design AVL SERVICES

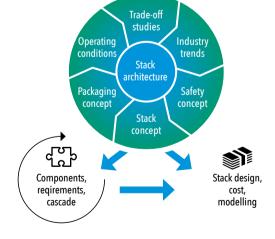
#### AVL FUEL CELL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES IN DETAIL

- Feasibility assessment and trade-off studies
- Stack and unit cell design
- Verification and validation plans
- Detailed program management, from complete planning of fuel cell stack development projects to test facilities and infrastructure design
- State-of-the-art simulation from subcomponent to full stack for mechanical, chemical and thermal performance – including 1+1D, 1+2D, chemical and mechanical degradation, and dynamic performance and hydration
- Safety concept, including assessments against codes and standards and failure modes effect analysis (FMEA)
- Production planning
- Supplier evaluation

#### THE ADDED VALUE

AVL is an independent engineering service and one-stop solution provider with extensive fuel cell development experience in the transportation and stationary markets. With our comprehensive know-how of vehicle development and system integration, we can:

- Use 3D-simulation tools (AVL FIRE™) in all stages of fuel cell development process, from cell components to module
- Apply system level simulation tools (AVL Cruise™) for powertrain optimization based on actual operating load cycles
- Reduce development costs due to advanced simulation capabilities
- Provide extensive in-house testing capabilities from subcomponent to full scale





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