



# Assessment of the Manufacturing Chain on the Fatigue Behavior of PM Gears

## Motivation

The growth in the gear chain induces not only the evolution of its design, but also its production chain, aiming at more efficient and cost-effective processes to supply the entire chain. In this context, the powder metallurgy (PM) appears as a potential to be technically, economically and environmentally advantageous compared to the traditional gear manufacturing chain (wrought steel).

## Objective

Identification of the fatigue behavior of gears subjected to an alternative powder metallurgy manufacturing chain, recording them by using an S-n curve

## Approach

The project will be performed in five main topics: test rig setup, contact pattern of the gears, development of test procedure, perform the durability test and failure analysis.

Powder Metal Gears		
<b>Reduced costs and times</b> 	<b>Sustainability</b> 	<b>Geometric optimization</b> 
<b>Reduced weight</b> 	<b>Noise damping</b> 	<b>Challenges</b> 

Periodic pitting evolution verification

- Flank area
- Damage area  $\geq 4\%$

Power Recirculation Gear Test Rig of CCM-ITA