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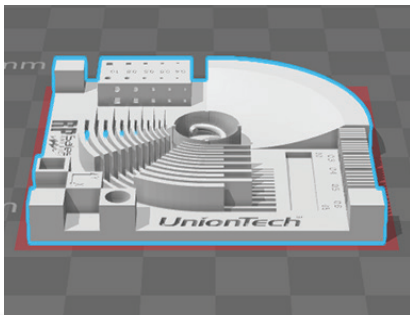
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Small-Platform SL Equipment **BUILD SPEED** Comparisons

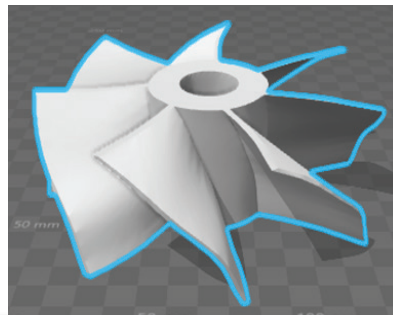
Goal: to compare build speeds on the UnionTech™ Pilot SD with current open design SL equipment in the US market (3D Systems Viper®). These machines have comparable platform sizes (10" x 10") and accuracy/resolution capabilities.

Material: Somos® WaterShed XC 11122

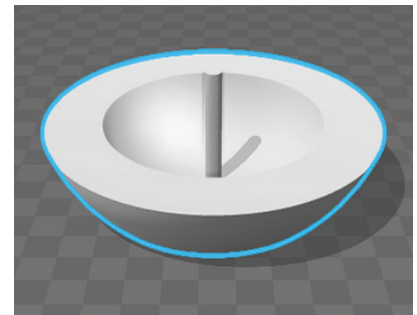
Parts:



High detail part



Turbine blade

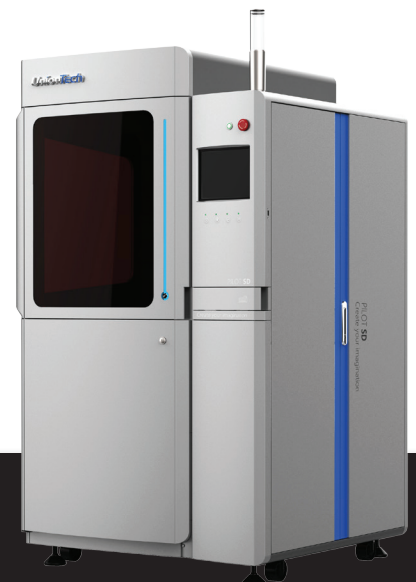


Trapped volume part

Results: The parts were built on the Pilot SD at the RP Sales America lab in Iowa. They were also built at a commercial service bureau under optimized standard operating parameters. The turbine blade and trapped volume parts were built together on a platform, while the high-detail part was built alone.

	High detail part	Turbine blade + Trapped volume part
UnionTech Pilot SD	1 hour 6 minutes (high res. - 0.1 mm layers)	6 hours 25 minutes (high res. - 0.1 mm layers)
Viper	2 hours 51 minutes (high res. - 0.05 mm layers)	8 hours (standard res, 0.1 mm layers)

Conclusion: In these test conditions, the UnionTech Pilot SD performed faster than the Viper. Contributing factors include a more powerful laser to allow for faster scanning and recoating parameters. While future test results may vary, this provides a good baseline comparison to demonstrate the speed capability of the UnionTech™ SL equipment.



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