

Team Name

POWERHOUSE 2.0

Idea / Project Title

MATASSIST AI: GenAI Material Selection Assistant: Using LLM, RAG

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- What problem are you solving?

PROBLEM: The Material Selection Challenge in Engineering

PROBLEM STATEMENT: **Selecting the right material** is a critical early step in any design project, often requiring **deep domain expertise** and familiarity with standards like **ASTM, DIN, EN, and ISO**. However, organizations frequently lack specialists for every application area - such as **cryogenics, mining, oil & gas, subsea, hygienic, and power systems**. This gap leads to missed opportunities during bid processes and delays in product development. **Engineers must manually analyze large datasets** to identify materials that meet **performance, cost, availability, and sustainability criteria**, which is both **time-consuming and resource-intensive**.

Engineers spend **40-60%** of project time **manually searching** through **material standards (ASTM, ISO, DIN etc.)** Material selection involves comparing hundreds of properties across multiple standards, **Traditional methods** lead to **suboptimal choices, project delays, and increased costs**, Critical decisions made without predictive insights on material performance

- Who is affected?

- PRIMARY LEVEL:
 - Mechanical Engineers & Design Teams

- SECONDARY LEVEL:
 - Manufacturing Companies & R&D Departments

- SECONDARY SUB-LEVEL:
 - Material Scientists & Quality Control Teams

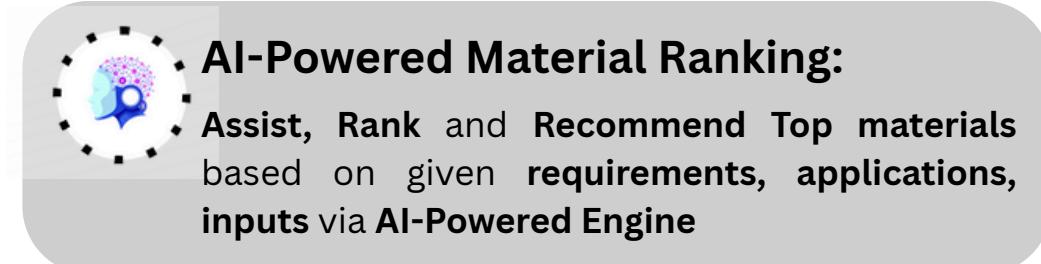
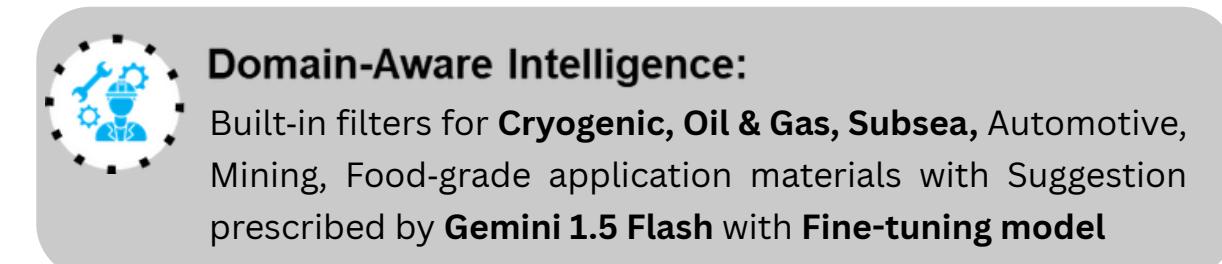
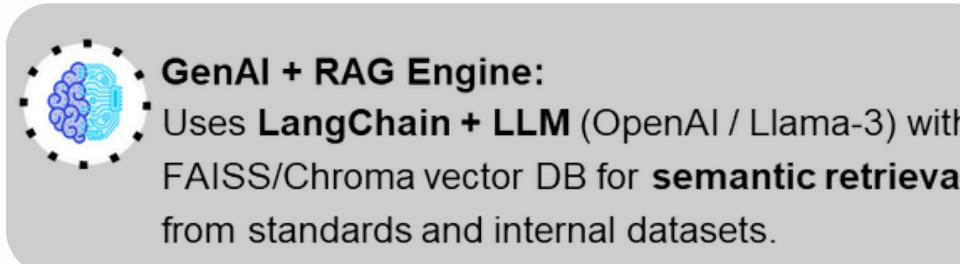
- TERTIARY LEVEL:
 - Students & Academic Researchers

- What is your idea?

Our Idea In Simple Terms: GenAI-Powered Material Intelligence Platform

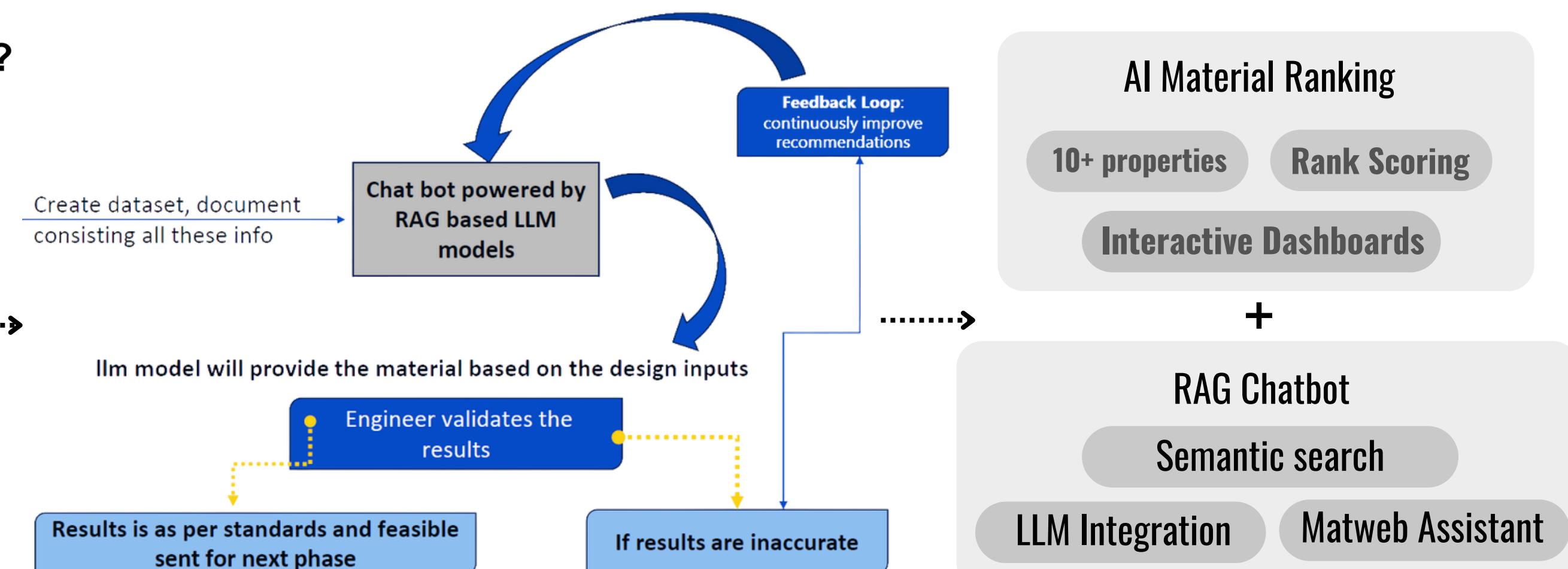
Key Description: An AI-driven assistant that instantly recommends optimal materials by analyzing engineering standards and application requirements through conversational AI.

Key Features:



- How does it solve the problem?

- User uploads Document
  
- User enter input requirements
 - Temperature range
 - Pressure level
- User enter input requirements
 - Tensile & Yield strength
 - Hardness
- User enter Standard Preferences
 - ASTM
 - ISO
 - EN
 - DIN



AI Material Ranking

10+ properties Rank Scoring

Interactive Dashboards

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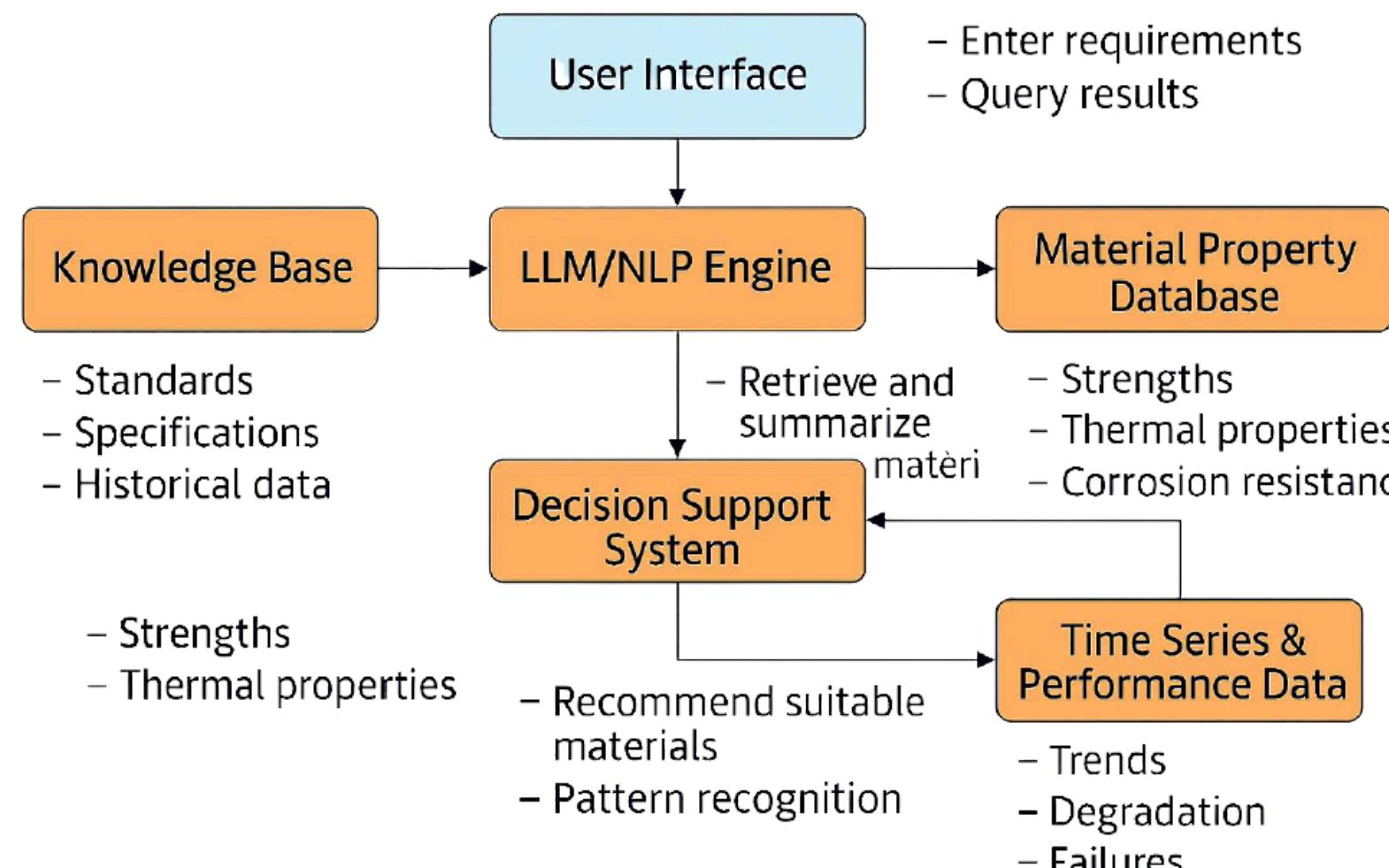
RAG Chatbot

Semantic search

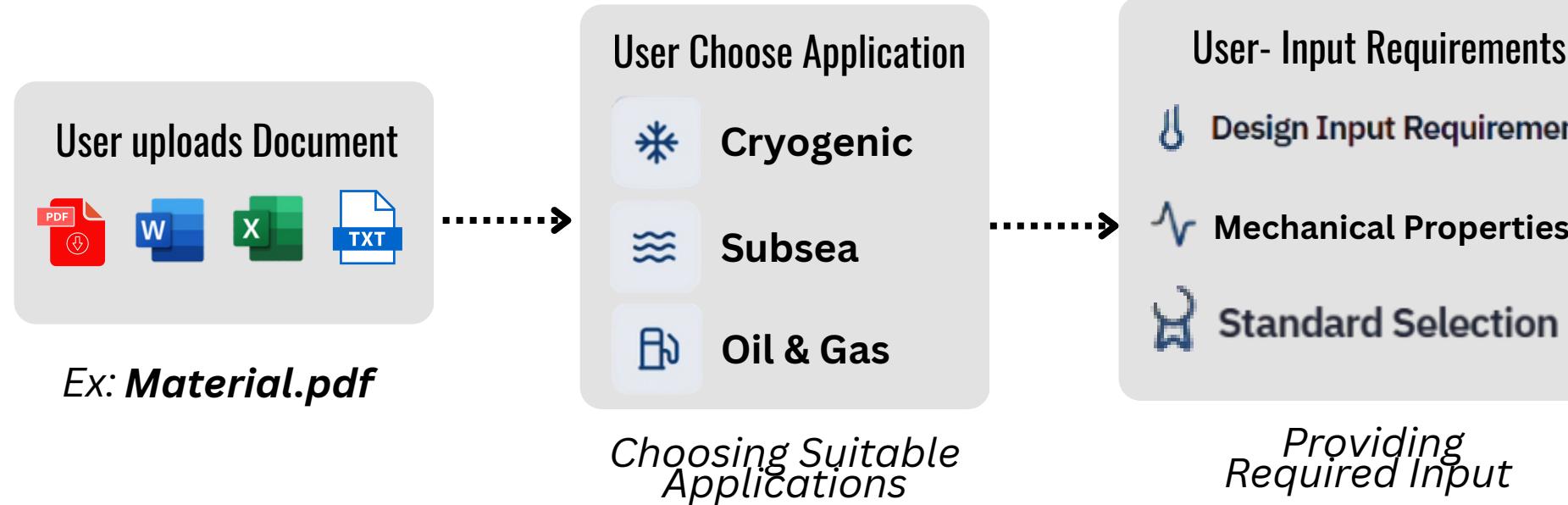
LLM Integration

Matweb Assistant

ARCHITECTURE DIAGRAM



WORKFLOW



AI Ranking

Rank	Material	Primary Strength	Key Properties
#1 Best Match	Super Duplex Stainless Steel (SDSS)	Mechanical	Grade: ASTM A182 F55 / UNS S32760
#2 Strong Alternative	Super Duplex Stainless Steel (SDSS)	Mechanical	Grade: ASTM A182 F53 / UNS S32750

Overall Score: 81

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Analysis Complete: Top 3 materials identified

Real-Time Analytics

Strength vs Cost Analysis: Compare tensile strength against relative cost index

Material	Tensile Strength (MPa)	Cost Index
CD3MN (4A)	90	50
CE3MN (5A)	70	40

CD3MN (4A) Fe: 71.87% Cr: 21.0% Ni: 4.5%

Gen AI + RAG Chatbot

Based on your query "Recommend corrosion-resistant steel for oil & gas pipelines", I've analyzed our material database and standards. Here are my recommendations:

Material Ranking for Your Application

Rank	Material	Primary Strength	Key Properties
1	316L Stainless Steel	Corrosion Resistance	Tensile: 485 MPa, Yield: 170 MPa, ASTM A240
2	Inconel 625	High Temperature	Temp Range: -253°C to 1093°C, Yield: 415 MPa

Describe your material requirements...

- 3–5 main features

Multi-Stage Material Selection



- Choosing Multi Requirements

Automated Technical Documentation



- Downloadable .docx and .xlsx Output Format
- Unstructured To Structured Analysis

Standards Explorer & Learning Hub



- Multiple Integrated Hubs For Materials Reference

Intelligent Conversational Interface



- RAG + Gemini AI Integrated Chatbot
- Gen-AI Material Ranking Interface

- What makes your idea different?

Our Idea: *What If A Person Without Domain-Expertise Wants To Explore, Learn, Automate & Choose The Best Materials From A 10,000+ Materials Database*

AI-First Intelligence For Materials

- Gemini AI conversational search
- Context-aware with reasoning
- 95% faster (2 days → 10 mins)

Only Platform Integrating 3+ International Standards

- ASTM+IS+BS+DIN+JIS Unified
- 1000+ Standards Database
- Cross-Standard Equivalence Mapping

Intelligent AI Ranking

- 10-Criteria Scoring Algorithm
- Real-Time Property Comparison
- Transparent Material Justification

Predictive Intelligence:

- AI Based Ranking + Multiple Charts
- Future Performance Forecasting
- Cost-Benefit Optimization Dashboard

- Social or technical benefit

TECHNICAL BENEFITS

EFFICIENCY GAINS

- **95% reduction** in material selection time
- **60% faster** project timelines
- Handles **1000+** material options in seconds

COST REDUCTION

- Identifies cost-effective alternatives (avg. **20-30% savings**)
- Prevents expensive material selection errors
- Reduces rework and material waste

DECISION QUALITY

- Data-driven recommendations eliminate guesswork
- Compliance with international standards ensured
- Predictive models reduce failure risks

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

- Small manufacturers get enterprise-level material intelligence
- Levels playing field for startups vs. large corporations
- Democratizes access to expensive engineering databases

SOCIAL BENEFITS

EDUCATION & RESEARCH

- Free tool for students learning material science
- Accelerates academic research projects
- Builds next-gen engineering talent

SUSTAINABILITY

- Suggests eco-friendly material alternatives
- Optimizes material usage (less waste)
- Promotes recycled/sustainable materials

- Who will benefit?

MANUFACTURING COMPANIES

- **30% reduction** in material costs through optimization
- **50% faster** product development cycles
- Compete with larger companies on equal footing

SCIENTISTS & RESEARCHERS

- Literature Review: Instant access to **1000+ standards**
- Data Extraction: AI pulls property data for meta-analysis
- Collaboration: Share material comparisons with global teams

STARTUPS & ENTREPRENEURS

- Reduce product development cost by **50%**
- Avoid early-stage material failures
- Faster MVP to market the full product (**6 months → 3 months**)

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS & DESIGN TEAMS

- Spend **40-60%** of time searching material standards
- Pressure to find optimal material quickly
- Risk of costly mistakes if wrong material chosen