

# heron aim™

Turnkey large format additive manufacturing  
platform for composite material extrusion

CARACOL

# Heron AM

## Additive Manufacturing with no limits in scale, shape, or materials.

Your turnkey LFAM platform to 3D print advanced, large-scale parts.

## From applications to technology

After years 3D printing parts and components alongside industry leaders, the application-first approach is part of our DNA.

With end-users in mind, Caracol develops its LFAM technology platform to expand the potential of additive manufacturing on large, complex, industrial applications. The aim is to meet the most demanding industrial requirements and quality criteria, supporting clients in fully leveraging their machines with an extensive set of services across applications.

### Flexibility











Extreme freedom in customizing parts' design and geometries.

### Efficiency

Optimized lead times and lower costs, without compromising quality.

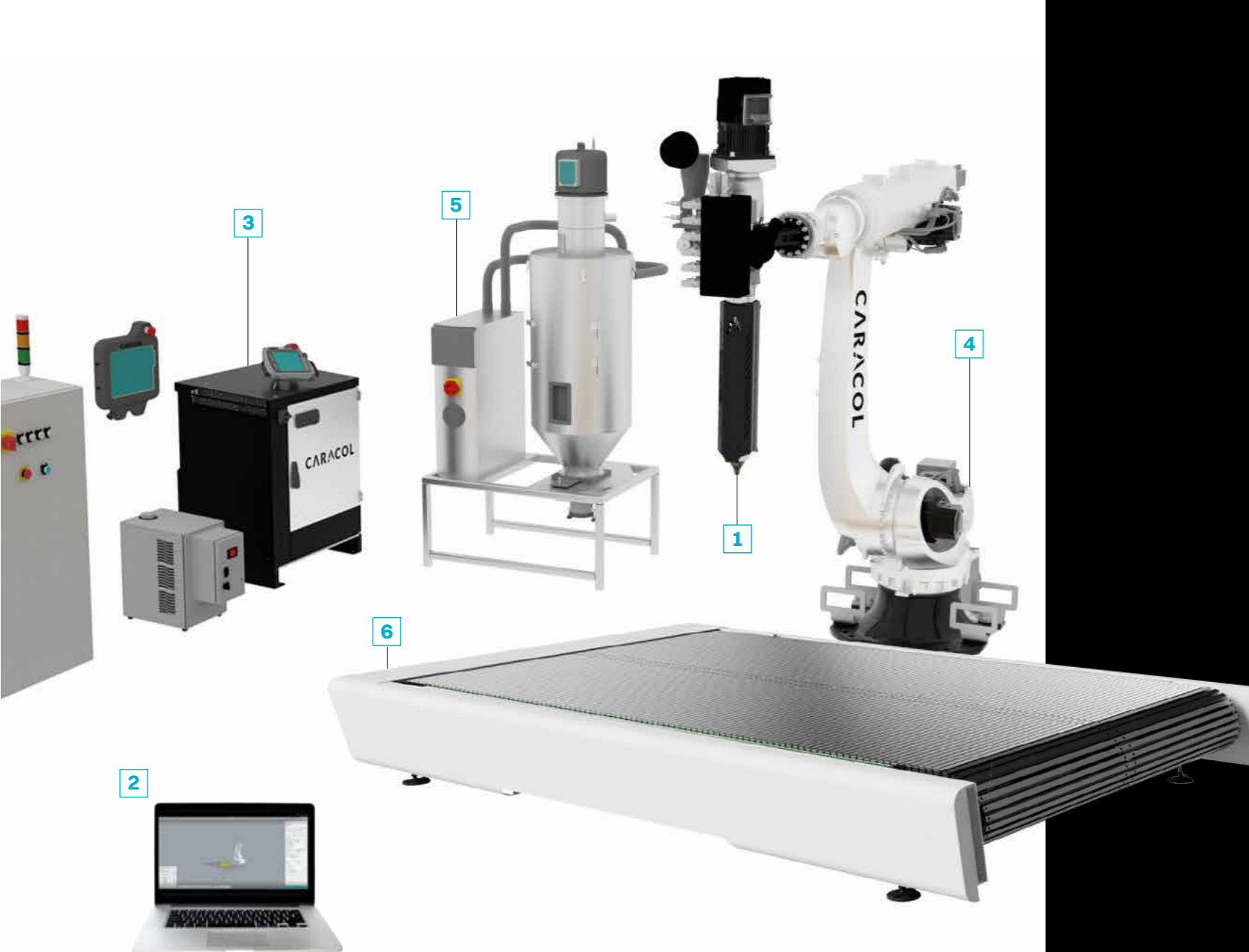
### Sustainability

Process aimed at zero-to-positive impact - cutting waste and using recycled materials.

-  **AEROSPACE**
-  **ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION**
-  **ART & ENTERTAINMENT**
-  **AUTOMOTIVE**
-  **DESIGN & FURNITURE**
-  **ENERGY**
-  **INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY**
-  **MARINE**
-  **RAILWAY**
-  **TOOLING**

# Modular configuration and customized options

Set up the system around your manufacturing needs, to be flexibly integrated in your shop floor.



## 1 Extruders

Caracol's print heads are engineered to provide the best fit between application needs and performance - from precision, to flexibility, to speed. They process a broad range of thermoplastic composite pellets, from advanced to bio-based or recycled.

### High Accuracy (HA)

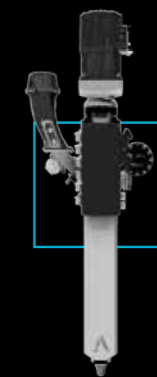
Light and compact, to provide agility and precision.

### High Versatility (HV)

Flexible, to cover a broad range of applications and diverse industrial needs.

### High Flow (HF)

Robust, to assure quality and efficiency with an extensive range of materials.



## 2 Eidos Manufacturing Software suite

Caracol's software suite integrates hardware to enhance full control and flexibility on Heron AM.

### Parameters & Path Planning

to easily set the printing parameters, develop and simulate the slicing.

### IoT Platform

with cloud smart monitoring to ensure full control of the machine, process quality and repeatability.

## 3 Automation & Control

Our industrial range works with a centralized control unit on multiple end-effectors and user-friendly HMI, to provide smooth modularity and flexibility on Heron AM platforms.

4

## Robotic arms

**6+ axes industrial robotic kinematics** allows Heron AM to 3D print parts with complex geometries and to extend the printing volume according to the arm's reach or by placing the robot on a rail or plinth.

5

## Drying & feeding systems

These systems directly and continuously supply material throughout the print job, avoiding manual operations, and ensuring pellet humidity and temperature are controlled for best performance and quality.

6

## Printing beds

A key element for successful production, each printing bed is developed to fit specific manufacturing needs and is customizable in size.

**ALU** aluminum frame structure with MDF top panels ensuring stability throughout the job.

**STEEL** bed with interchangeable top panels (MDF, polymer, glass, ...) providing high rigidity, planarity, and durability across jobs.

**AUTOMATIC** bed for unmanned part clamping and unloading, guaranteeing solid grip and continuous production of 3D parts.

## Enclosures

Perimetral protections and enclosures can be configured around the specific production space and manufacturing needs. This allows to control environmental parameters, ensuring best conditions, safety, process repeatability and quality.

# 3D printing materials for industrial applications

Our MATERIAL LAB studies thermoplastic composites to guarantee process repeatability on Heron AM, qualifying a broad range of advanced materials daily.



### PP Polypropylene

COMPOSITE  
PP + 35% Glass Fiber



RECYCLED  
PP + 30% Glass Fiber (recycled)



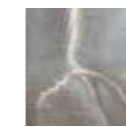
### ABS Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene

COMPOSITE  
ABS + 30% Glass Fiber | ABS + 20% Carbon Fiber



### ASA Acrylonitrile Styrene Acrylate

COMPOSITE  
ASA + 20% Glass Fiber | ASA natural



### PETG Polyethylene Terephthalate Glycol

RECYCLED  
PET-G natural | PET-G + 20% Glass Fiber



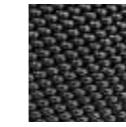
### PC Polycarbonate

COMPOSITE  
PC + 20% Carbon Fiber



### PEI Polyetherimide

COMPOSITE  
PEI + 20% Carbon Fiber



### PLA Polylactic Acid

BIOBASED  
PLA



### TPE High Strength And Flex Elastomer



### EVA Elastomer

BIOBASED  
BIO EVA

[caracol-am.com](http://caracol-am.com)



Find out Caracol's  
**global offices**  
and partners' network

HERON AM HL - 2402\_01

General Requests: [info@caracol-am.com](mailto:info@caracol-am.com)  
Commercial Requests: [bd@caracol-am.com](mailto:bd@caracol-am.com)

**CARACOL**