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ZCorp back with black

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Develop3D were standing by as Z Corporation launched their new flagship model, the ZPrinter 650, adding black to their colour palette and displaying a bigger build area.

"It's the first time it's been on public display anywhere in the world," said an excited Alan Spence, ZCorp's UK regional sales manager at the launch. "It's our new flagship model, it's the biggest printer in our range. It has some key differences against our older products: A bigger build envelope, it's the first time we've got five print-heads in which means we can use a black cartridge in there as well and it really improves the colour. So now we can have much bigger colour parts than before."

Examples of the new machine's prowess were on display, making full use of the increased build size of 10x15x8 inches, and revealing a greater depth and consistency of colour. Although they still lacked a lifelike sheen, the 24-bit colour and 600 x 540 dpi resolution was a big step forward from the usual 'washed-out' results from 3D printers.

"The 650 is even more highly integrated than previous products in the range, so its more end to end - sending the job to print, de-powdering it, and infiltrating it are now all done situated in the machine," added Alan, "It's a truly office friendly product, all you need is a 13 amp plug and a printer cable and you're in business."