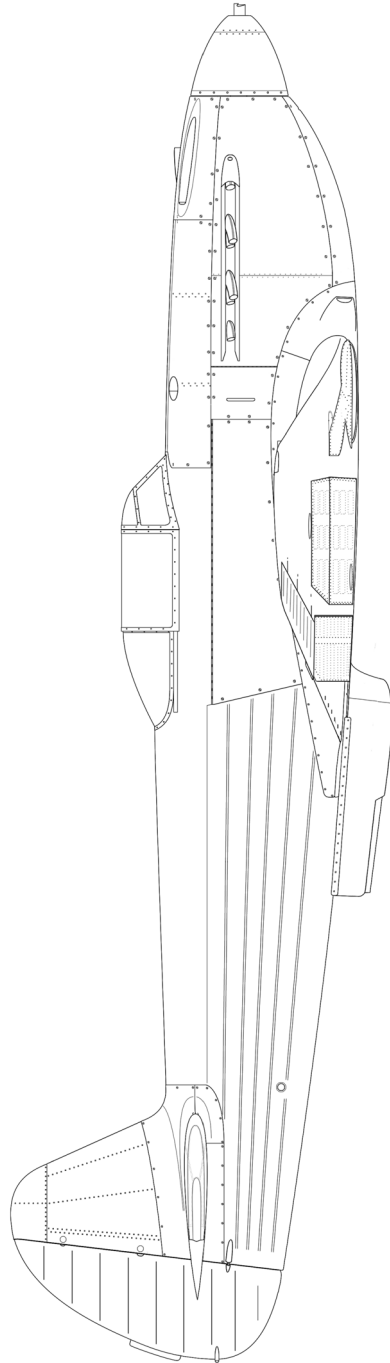


Yak-9U M-105PF-2

Factory № 153 (Novosibirsk)



Starboard side view of the OKB's "Yak-9U" proposal with the M-105PF-2 engine. The aircraft was, fundamentally, a streamlined and updated Yak-9 of contemporary configuration. The much heavier firepower of the prototype was very much appreciated by NKAP Sr. Engineer Stepanets, who wrote subsequently that the "U" PF-2 was the finest fighter concept available during 1943 in the entire USSR. The prototype breezed through it State examinations, but curiously the UVVS refused the machine and no production was undertaken.