

CHEMISTRY THAT MATTERS™

THERMOPLASTIC CONTINUOUS FIBER COMPOSITES: INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES FOR MASS PRODUCTION

SABIC SPECIALTIES

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INTRODUCING OUR PARENT COMPANY

SABIC AT A GLANCE



SABIC AT-A-GLANCE



1976

Company established



33,000

Employees around the world



50

Countries of operations



3rd

Largest global chemical company*



122nd

Largest public company in the world*

3.96

US\$ bn

Estimated Brand Value**

85

US\$ bn

Total assets

5.7

US\$ bn

Net income

45

US\$ bn

Annual revenue



≈ 150

New products each year



11,738

Global patent filings



64

World-class plants worldwide

WE ARE ONE OF THE WORLD'S MOST DIVERSIFIED CHEMICALS BUSINESS



* Supplied under SABIC brand through Hadeed, a fully-owned SABIC Affiliate

SABIC SPECIALTIES

THE HOME OF UNIQUE OFFERINGS

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OUR PORTFOLIO AND GLOBAL MEGATRENDS



AUTOMOTIVE ELECTRIFICATION

Nearly half of all cars will be H/E by 2030

MOBILITY

Material and design expertise to help OEMs with lightweight solutions, e-mobility, and under hood environments with needs such as:

- Fuel efficient EV range
- Thermal management
- Sensors and shielding
- Energy storage



RENEWABLE ENERGY

70% higher content

UTILITIES

Materials to enable new designs to advance sustainable energy systems with electric isolation and shielding, such as:

- enclosure and circuit protection:
- Connectors, cables
- Protective enclosures
- Antenna
- Solar



CONNECTIVITY

1.1 billion 5G connections by 2025

INDUSTRIAL & CONSUMER

Materials for the next generation of devices and systems:

- IoT (Internet of Things)
- 5G Infrastructure, fiber optics
- Connected home
- Smart appliances



HEALTH & LIFESTYLE

65+ population doubles from 2015 to 2030

HEALTHCARE

A regulatory compliant, dedicated portfolio of materials used in:

- Medical devices
- Point of use care
- Drug delivery



WATER MANAGEMENT

Nearly half of the world's population will live in delta areas

POTABLE WATER

Materials for smaller and thinner parts, meeting regulatory demands, economic and sustainability needs:

- Energy efficiency in water pumps
- Longer durability for distribution systems
- Water purification
- Cost of ownership

SABIC'S SPECIALTIES AROUND THE WORLD

MIDDLE EAST

SABIC Headquarters
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

AMERICAS

- Cobourg, Ontario, Canada
- Pittsfield, MA, USA
- Selkirk, NY, USA
- Mt. Vernon, Indiana, USA
- Columbus IN, USA
- Austin, TX, USA
- San Luis Potosi, Mexico
- Campinas, SP, Brazil

EUROPE

- Bergen op Zoom, Netherlands
- Raamsdonksveer, Netherlands
- Lelystad, Netherlands
- Geleen, Netherlands
- Thornaby, UK
- Pontirolo, Italy
- Cartagena, Spain

ASIA

- Baroda, India
- Bangalore, India
- Rayong, Thailand
- Benoi, Singapore
- Nansha, China
- Shanghai, China
- Sungnam, Korea
- Chungju, Korea
- Moka, Japan

● MANUFACTURING SITES

● TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION CENTERS

CENTER OF EXCELLENCE: NETHERLANDS

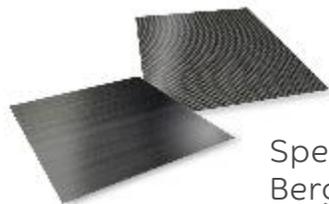
Part Processing App Center
Pittsfield, USA

- 1st Automated composites cell



Airborne International
The Hague, NL

- Digital composites Manufacturing Line (DCML)



Specialties T&I
Bergen op Zoom, NL

- Resin development
- Application test centers

SABIC FRT
Lelystad, NL

- UDMAX™ tape manufacturing



Composites Center of Excellence
Geleen, NL

- Material forms
- Continuous process & cost modelling
- Predictive eng. of continuous & chopped fiber systems



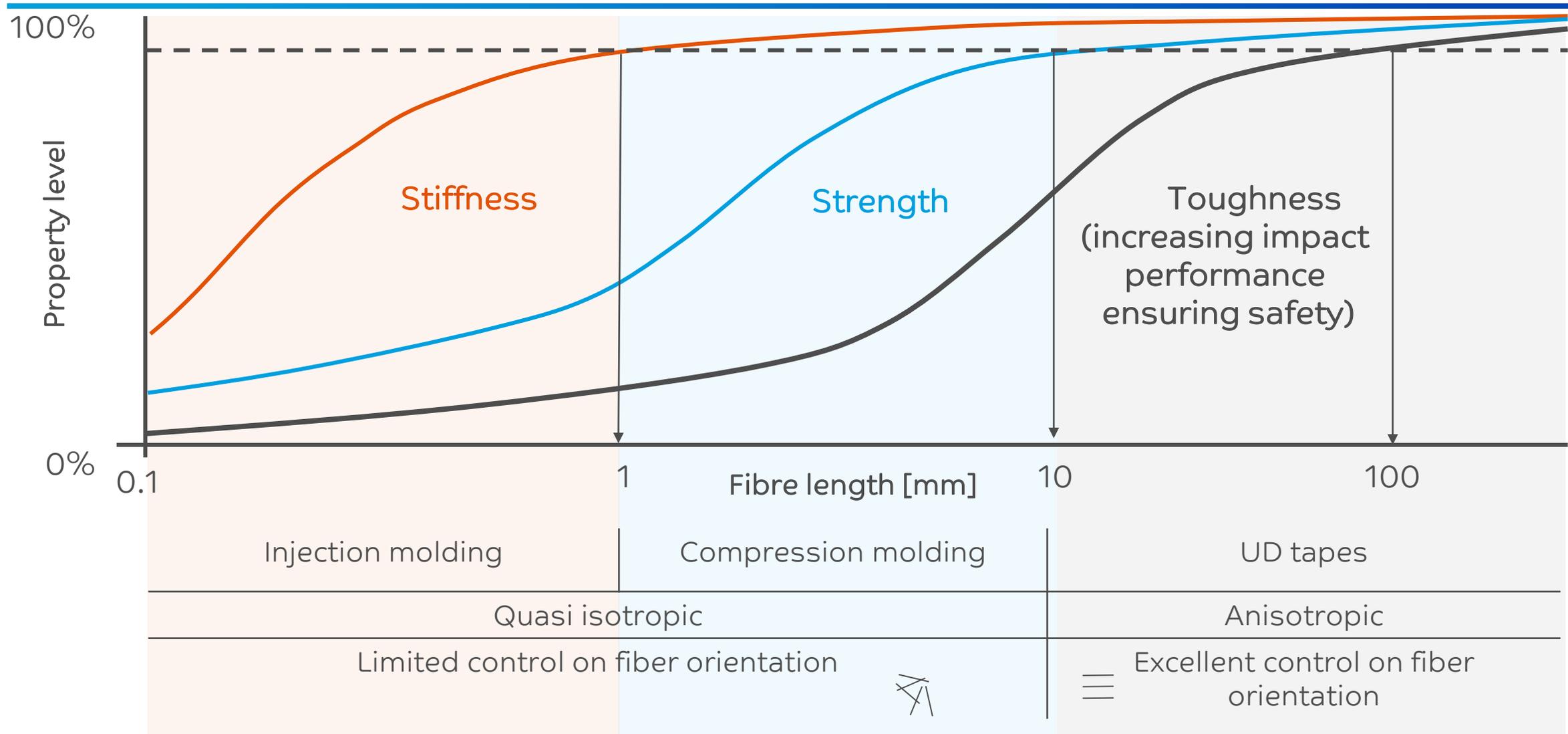
OUR UNIQUE CHEMISTRY

ENABLING DIFFERENTIATION WITH CONTINUOUS FIBER COMPOSITES

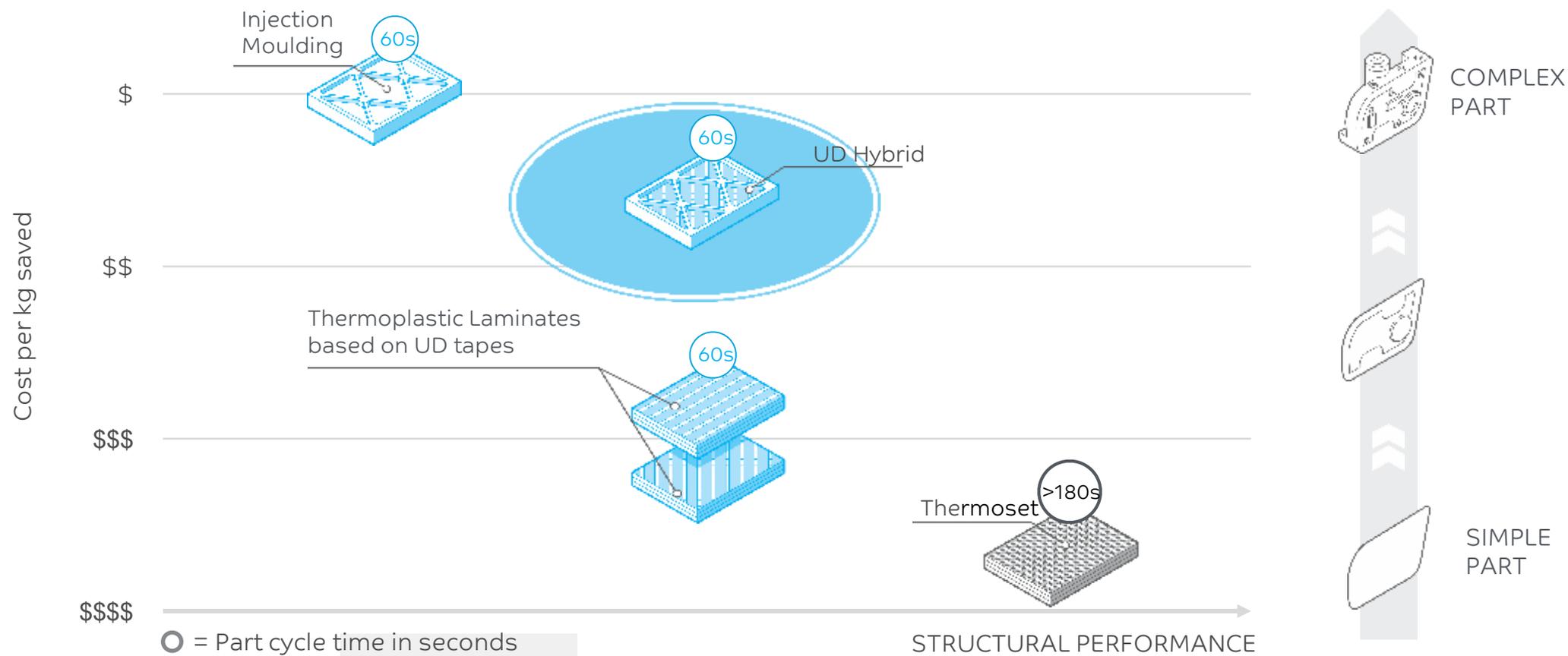
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MARKET TRENDS AND PLATFORM VISION

ENABLING EFFECTIVE FIBRE UTILIZATION IN THERMOPLASTICS



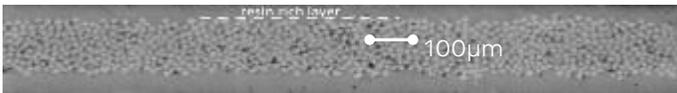
OPPORTUNITY FOR THERMOPLASTIC COMPOSITES



Cost effective, mass production capable, structurally lightweight and recyclable.

TECHNOLOGY COMPETENCIES

PRODUCTS (SABIC FRT)



Cross Section of UDMA™ tape

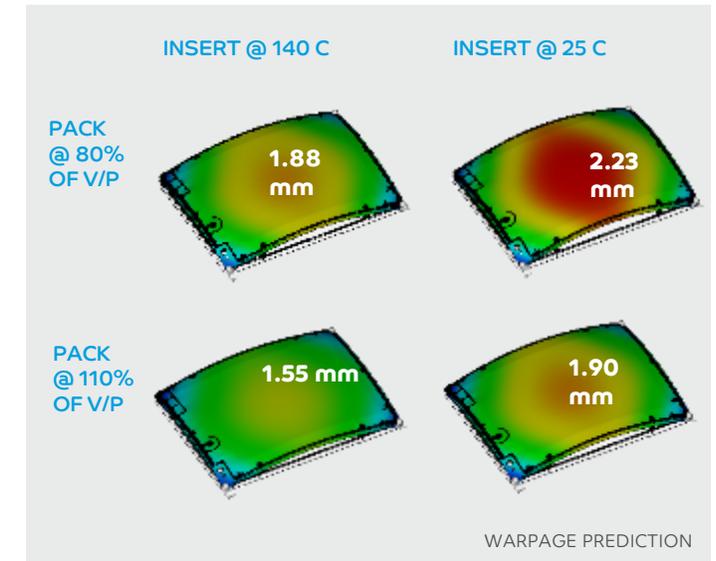
- **HPFIT™** - a proprietary high pressure fiber impregnation technology
- Resin formulation to match industry requirements, e.g. [Glass Fiber Polypropylene FR tape for rail sector](#)

PROCESSES (Airborne, Kuka, Siemens)



Proprietary consolidation process with a **15-second cycle time** per laminate

APPLICATIONS*



- Simulation-based part and laminate design assistance
- Guidance on hybrid moulding processes
- Customized lay up design
- Injection Moulding experience to mitigate warpage

UDMAX™ PORTFOLIO

UDMAX™ GPP 45-70 TAPE

A glass fiber-reinforced polypropylene tape delivering excellent stiffness, strength and impact resistance. These material forms can be used for an array of applications, from transportation to building & construction markets.

UDMAX™ GPE 46-70 TAPE*

A glass-filled high density polyethylene tape designed to deliver one of the highest mechanical properties in the industry. It can be used to reinforce industrial pipes, boilers and storage tanks.

UDMAX™ CPC TAPE*

A carbon-filled polycarbonate tape designed for consumer electronics, sporting goods and industrial applications.

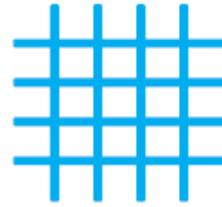
IN-HOUSE CUSTOMIZED TAPE SLITTING

SABIC's high end slitting equipment can slit UDMAX™ tapes precisely and in custom widths –starting at 5mm wide to larger sizes, as the customer requires.

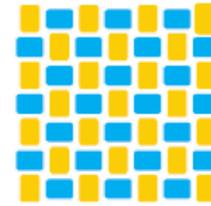


PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES

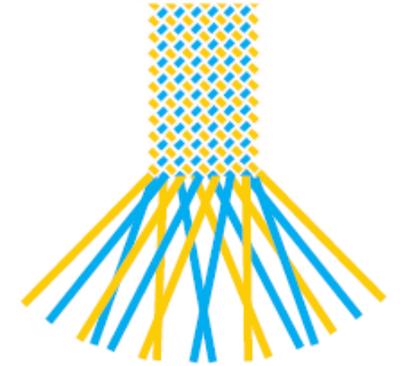
From:
UDMAX™ Tape



Grid manufacturing



Weaving



Braiding



Tape laying



Tape winding



Lamination

AUTOMOTIVE AND COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

LIGHTWEIGHT

- Increased payload
- Optimization of fuel usage
- Lower CO2 footprint

STRENGTH

- High impact strength and stiffness
- Durable
- Corrosion resistance
- Quick and easy to repair
- Excellent toughness and fatigue resistance



COMPOSITE BULKHEAD

A REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE IN VEHICLE PANEL PRODUCTION FEATURING SABIC'S UDMAX™ THERMOPLASTIC COMPOSITE TAPE

SABIC announced at JEC World 2019 a new, cutting-edge technology for producing **lightweight, cost-effective and recyclable vehicle panels** using its UDMAX™ tape, a unidirectional, fiber-reinforced thermoplastic composite. This innovative technology, which is designed to replace traditional panels made of metal and thermoset materials for interior and exterior automotive applications, will soon be commercialized in the bulkhead of a light commercial vehicle (LCV) produced in large scale for the global automotive market. The bulkhead was developed through an international collaboration among SABIC FRT; RLE International, an engineering services provider headquartered in the United Kingdom; AMA Composites, an Italian toolmaker; and Setex Textil GmbH, a weaver based in Germany.

Vehicle panels made with **UDMAX tape combine strength and impact resistance** with light weight, which can result in **mass reduction** of interior panels of **up to 35 percent** in comparison to metal parts. In case of exterior panels, the composite material can help reduce mass up to 50%. They are produced using a highly efficient, one-shot process of lamination and low-pressure molding.

This **mass saving** can be achieved without sacrificing the **impact performance** of the part, which is **essential to protect occupants** against injuries caused by shifting cargo. According to RLE International, the bulkhead complies with ISO 27956, the standard for securing cargo in delivery LCVs. The build-up of the process and the tensile strength of the UDMAX are the main factors in optimizing the impact resistance of the bulkhead.



THERMOPLASTIC COMPOSITES FOR MASS MANUFACTURING

- Thermoplastic composites are now a reality for a number of interior parts in automotive
- Hybrid technology enables lightweight at an effective cost compared not only to thermoset composites but to metals as well.

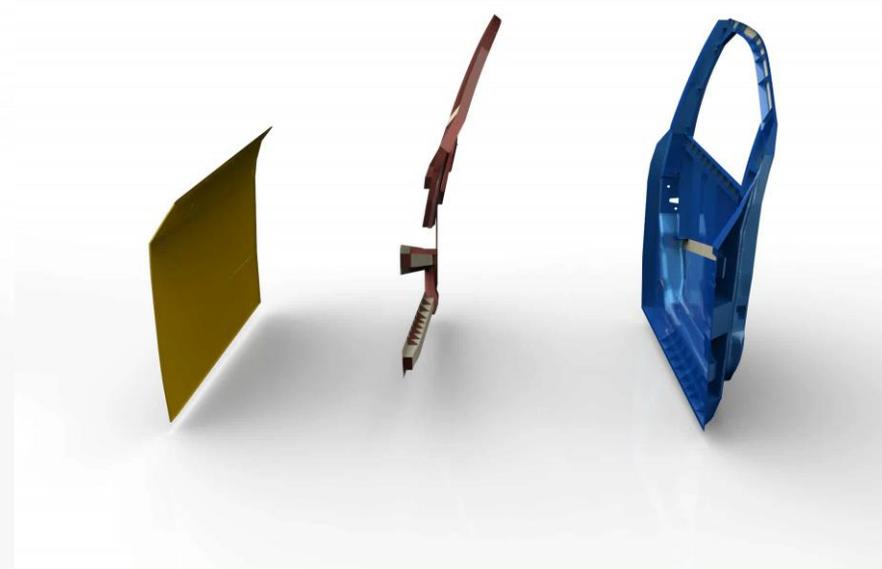


HYBRID DOOR STRUCTURE AND CROSS CAR BEAM

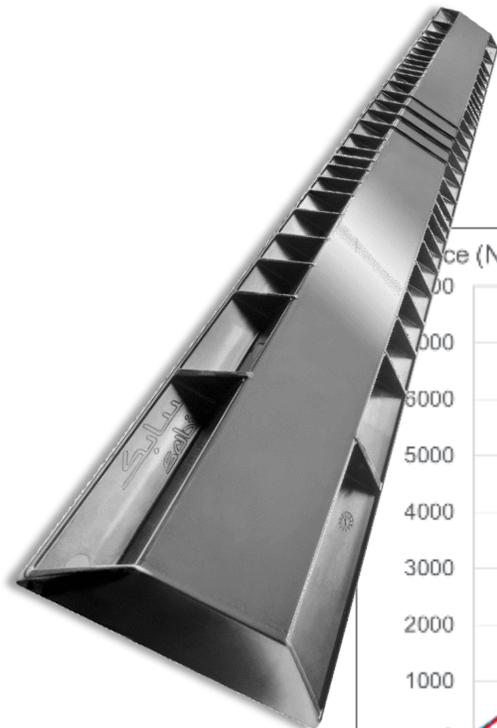
5kg/car saved vs steel*
Only one hybrid component



>20kg/car saved vs steel*
Only two hybrid components



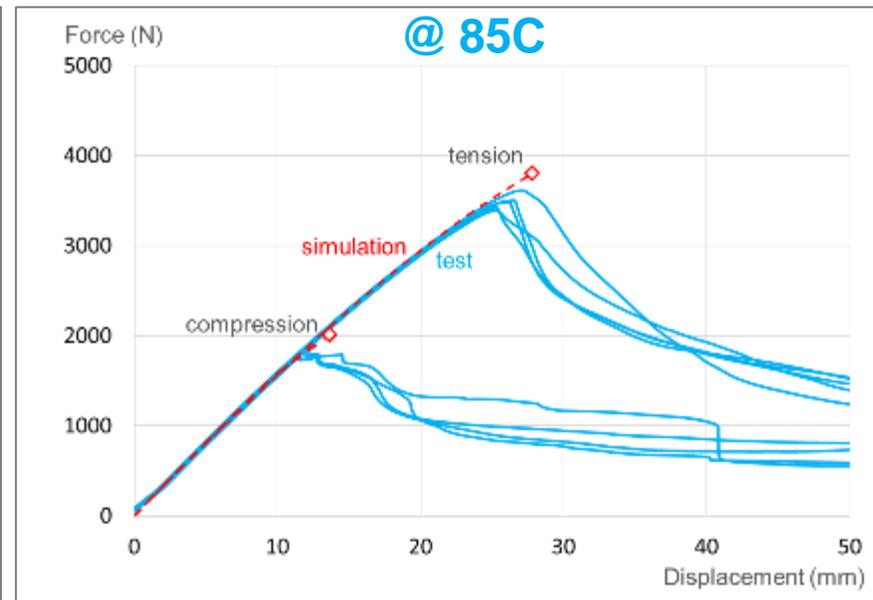
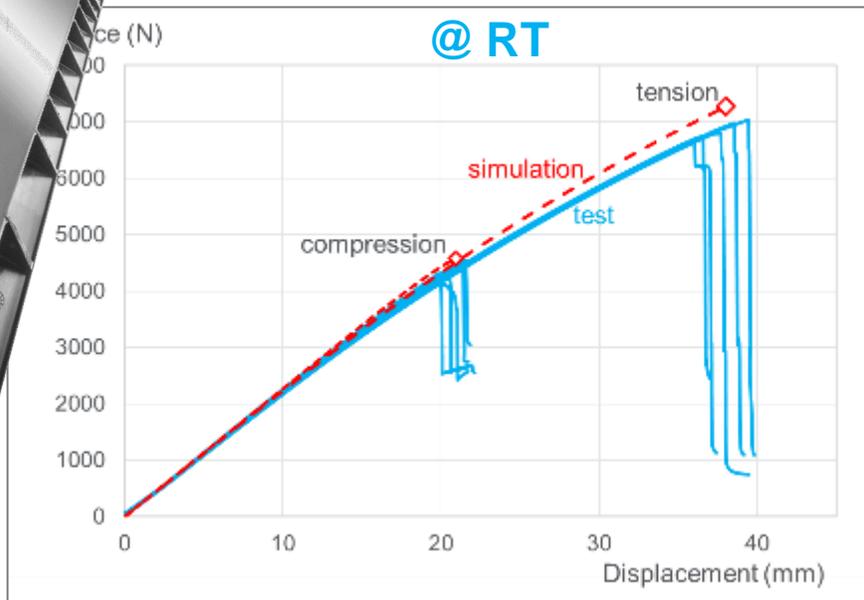
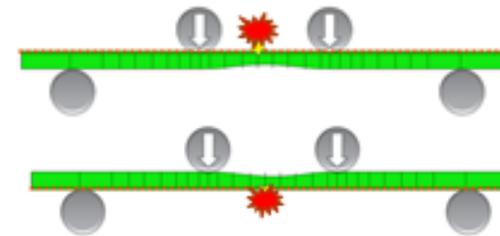
VALIDATION BEAM: GLOBAL STIFFNESS & FAILURE



Failure in compression

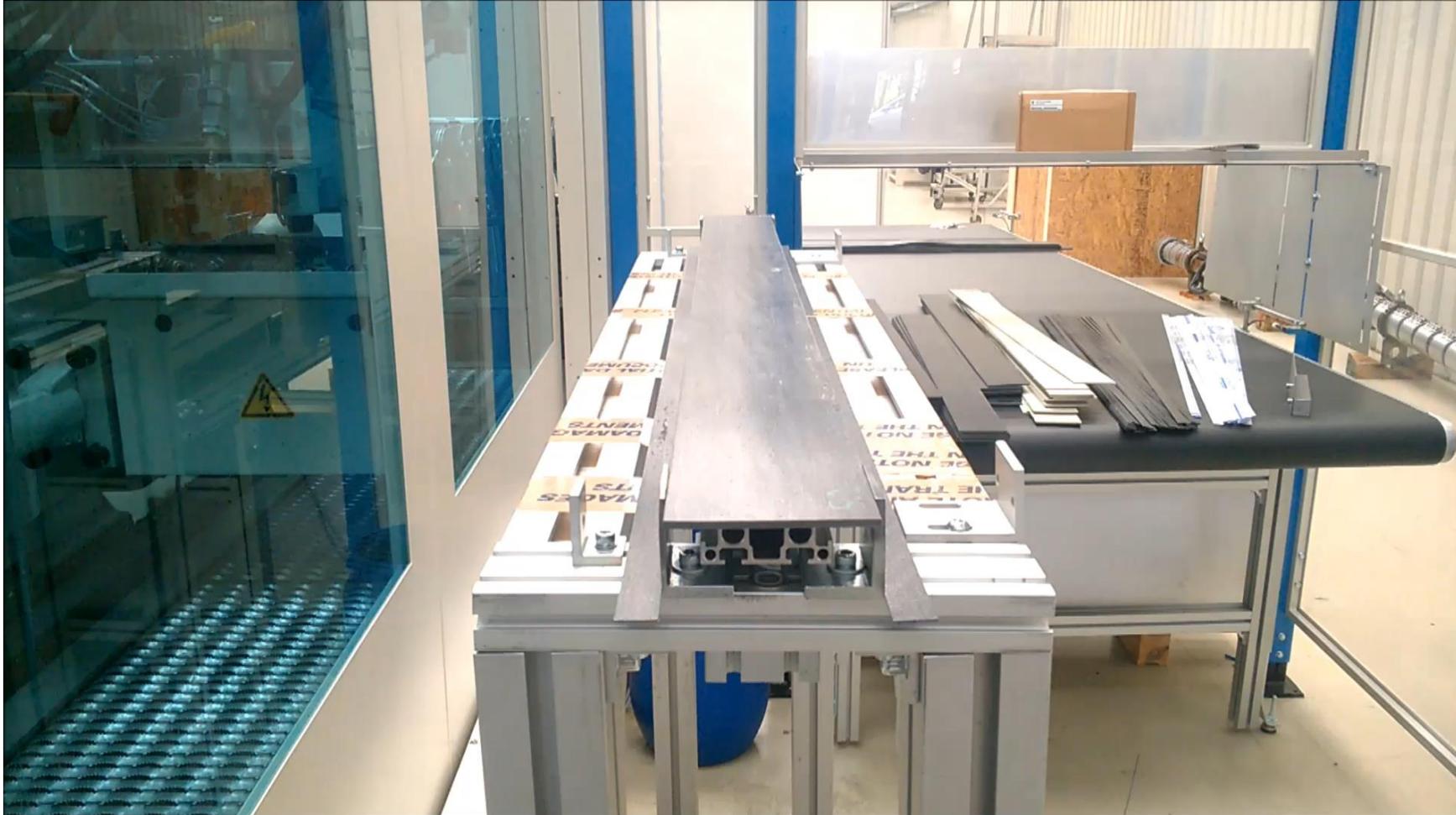


Failure in tension



Providing good confidence for mechanical performance prediction (linear elastic and failure)

PRODUCTION AT OF THE VALIDATION BEAM



CONSUMER ELECTRONICS

THERMOPLASTIC COMPOSITES FOR MASS MANUFACTURING

- Thermoplastic composites are increasingly being considered for large volume-scale applications (e.g. consumer electronics)
- Consistent high quality
- Short cycle times for mass production (<1min)
- Low conversion cost
- Production line flexibility



THE INDUSTRIALIZATION OF THERMOPLASTIC COMPOSITES IS IN SIGHT

- **FLEXIBLE:** can produce different designs, other functionalities can be added
- **HIGH QUALITY:** leads to lower scrap and higher manufacturing yields downstream
- **FULLY DIGITAL:** adaptive process control by data analytics and advanced models
- **LOW SCRAP:** net-shape lamination reduces waste and cost
- **AUTOMATED:** 4 laminates every 60 seconds; producing up to 1.5 million laminates per year
- **POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS:** cases and covers for consumer electronics, aircraft inserts, automotive components and sporting goods



DIGITAL COMPOSITES MANUFACTURING LINE - Developed in partnership with Airborne, powered by Siemens (digitalization) and KUKA (robotics) technologies

SUMMARY

- SABIC Specialties – “Pushing the boundaries of physical properties”
- Continuous fiber composites can successfully replace metals for structural applications but mass productivity and cost are in many sectors a challenge.
- Thermoplastic composites can be the answer but the industry needs to develop new materials, be able to design and process them cost effectively.
- SABIC offers part design support, a range of UD tape solutions under the UDMAX™ brand and a wide portfolio of injection molding grades to create lightweight hybrid structure.
- In collaboration with AIRBORNE, and powered by SIEMENS and KUKA, SABIC developed the Digital Composites Manufacturing line. A fully automated system designed to mass produce laminates based on UD tapes for mass production.
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