Chemical webinar series

European Green Deal: Innovation opportunities using thermoplastic elastomers

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Bjørn Thorsen's distribution development journey

- 1952 Bjørn Thorsen A/S (BT) was founded in Denmark
- 1988 BT appointed as distributor for Santoprene™ TPV for Denmark
- Expansion of BT distribution areas followed:
 - 2005 Sweden, Norway & Iceland (adm. office in Göteborg)
 - 2009 Finland & Baltics (local sales representatives)
 - 2018 China (adm. office in Zhuhai)
 - 2019/2020 France (adm. office in Lyon)
 - 2020 UK & IE

Headquarters in Copenhagen



Laboratories in Denmark & France



BTG - ExxonMobil combined offering

- Bjørn Thorsen Group (BTG) & ExxonMobil (EM)
 - ~30 years partnership in distribution & material development
- BTG affiliates (CCS & NGC) proprietary products using technologies licensed by EM
 - **OPTI-PREN[™] TPV:** Enhanced TPV solutions
 - ACTI-TECH[™] compatibilizer: Grafted Vistamaxx[™] Performance Polymer



Objective for today:

• Understanding how Santoprene™ TPV can support product innovation and sustainable product designs

EU Green Deal: "Carbon neutrality by 2050"



(1): <u>https://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/transport/vehicles_en</u>

(2):: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/environment/circular-economy/pdf/new_circular_economy_action_plan.pdf</u>

(3): https://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/elv/index.htm

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Circular economy model

Recycling Waste reduction SOLUTIONS

There is a material that can help: Santoprene[™] TPV ^E[★] On Mobil

AFM micrograph



Performs like a rubber, processed like a plastic

- Broad range of hardness 35A to 50D
- Temperature resistance -40 to 125°C

• **Rubber** (cross-linked EPDM) • **Thermoplastic** (polypropylene)



From parts assembly...







...to poly-olefinic ecosystem



New design for cost and weight reduction



with Santoprene[™] TPV Original design Parts 1 4 Assembly steps 6 1 Installation time (s) 8 200 Recyclable* No Yes





Optimized design



0 0 People buy from brands they trust

Quality over time: Aging





Excellent weathering resistance



Xenon Arc test methods: 3000hrs (4730 KJ/M2 - 340 nm)

- Elongation retention: ASTM D412

Quality over time: Strong chemical resistance



Santoprene[™] TPV - Sealing over time



Answer to requirement of long-term warranty

22 year old construction seals made with Santoprene

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Old UOB Profile — New Santoprene TPV 121-67W175



Tensile @break

The test confirms the original UOB profiles are remarkably similar to the new Santoprene[™] TPV 121-67W175 profiles - even after 22 years exposure to the elements

Test Method Based on: *1 EM method *2 ISO 37,Type 1





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Circularity by design Sustainability awareness

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Recyclability performance | Thermoset rubber production



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Recyclability performance | Santoprene[™] TPV vs. EPDM



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Santoprene[™] TPV: 3D printed parts

3D printing is one of the routes for improving the product life cycle: 3D printed parts versus replacing entire appliance with a new one:

- Extends life of existing appliance
- Reduces obsolescence of product
- Reduce waste volume with slower renewal rate
- Offers customized and affordable solution for final consumer



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A solution for multiple applications



Construction applications

- Excellent air, water and noise infiltration barrier
- Helps architects reach green building label standards (e.g. LEED credits)

- Onsite heat welding of corners without adhesion or molding
- CSTB certificate for window & door seals



Renewable energy applications

- Excellent quality consistency
- Long term durability (>20 years)
 - UV resistance
 - Weathering resistance
- Flame retardant





Consumer goods haptics

- Superior aesthetics
- Colorability:
 - Photochromic effect
 - Thermochromic effect
- Surface textures can improve appearance, feel and functionality
- 5G signal compatibility









Metallic and speckled effect

Stone effect

Leather Look



Dimpled Surface





Grooved Surface

Raised Geometry

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Santoprene[™] TPV complete portfolio



BTG complementary sustainable solutions



OPTI-SOFT[™] TPE

Where aesthetics & good haptic properties matter!

 Dry, soft touch, low-density PO-based TPE alternative to styrenics

OPTI-PREN[™] TPV

What you've been looking for in TPVs & could not find to-date

- High tensile and abrasion resistance
- HFFR & ZHFR
- Pre-consumer TPV waste-based
 products

OPTI-FLEX[™] TPO

Great looks & durability can be economically attractive!

- Value-added TPO option to styrenics- or PVC compounds
- Latex-, styrene-, plasticizer-, oil- and halogen-free

Collaboration makes the difference

Collaborative solution



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