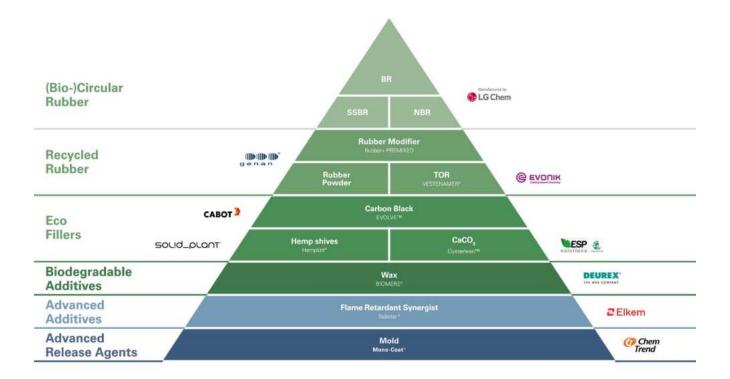




Portfolio and Handbook Rubber



Our more sustainable product solutions



Discover our full range of rubber solutions



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Introduction

Sustainability is becoming increasingly important in all areas of industry, and the rubber sector is no exception. While rubber is an essential material in many applications, its production and use present significant environmental challenges. High energy consumption leads to considerable CO₂ emissions, and the use of fossil-based raw materials further impacts the carbon footprint.

Natural rubber, as a biobased and renewable resource, plays a vital role in the rubber industry. However, in the past years, the industry has taken a more critical look at this natural source, as its cultivation must be managed responsibly to prevent deforestation and protect ecosystems.

At the same time, stricter regulations pose additional challenges for customers and suppliers in meeting sustainability requirements. In addition, rubber recycling is complex, but ongoing developments are gradually improving recycling rates and enabling new opportunities for a circular economy.

Despite these challenges, the industry is constantly evolving. Innovative solutions and technological progress are driving sustainable change. By investing in research, development, and responsible sourcing, we can reduce environmental impacts and create a more sustainable future for rubber products.

This handbook is designed to provide the knowledge and tools needed to navigate these challenges and implement sustainable practices.

Let us take this step together and drive the rubber industry towards a more sustainable future.

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Our sustainability vision



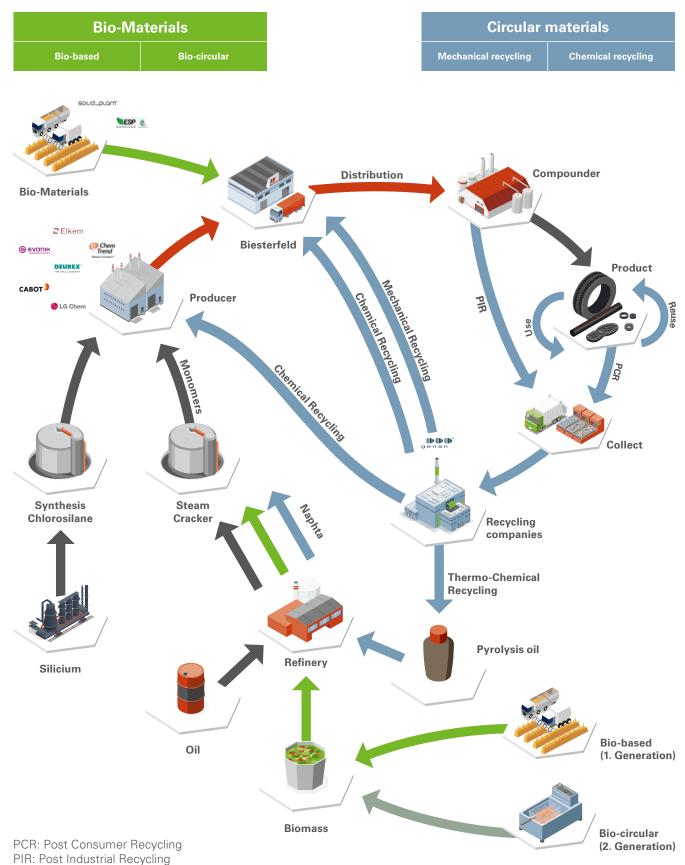
Our endeavour to make every application more sustainable.

WHY HOW 4 Proactively
leading and
inspiring
our partners
in relation
to sustainability.

WHAT

A unique opportunity to play an active role in sustainable transformation.

On the path towards a circular economy and de-fossilisation



Bio-circular: Waste and residues of biological origin from agriculture, forestry, and related industries (2. Generation)



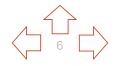
Our more sustainable rubber solutions

Product name	Material	© Circular Materials		© Circular Materials Bio-Materials	
name		mechanical	chemical	bio-based	bio-circular
Rubber Powder	End-of-Life Tires	100%			
Rubber Modifier	End-of-Life Tires + TOR (trans-polyoctenamer)	95,5%			
BIOMERE®	Wax			≤ 100%	
Hemplizit®	Hemp shives			100%	
BR	(Bio-)Circular Balanced BR		100%		100%
NBR	(Bio-)Circular Balanced NBR		64-70%		64-70%
SSBR	(Bio-)Circular Balanced SSBR		45-95%		45-95%
VULCAN° 7H-C	Circular Reinforcing Carbon		100%		
Oysterlean™	CaCO ₃ (Oyster shells)				100%

Sidistar®	Amorphous (non-crystalline) spherical silicon dioxide	Produced with 100% Hydro power	
Mono-Coat [®]	Semi-permanent release agent	Reduces waste, energy and emissions	
VESTENAMER*	TOR (trans-polyoctenamer)	Low-melting thermoplastic rubber which is a valuable processing aid and problem-solver for recycled rubber	

"We see great innovation potential for the rubber industry in the area of sustainability. Together with our partners, we are constantly expanding our portfolio and are examining which materials can be used to promote recycling and bio-degradability in the rubber industry based on specific criteria. We are always on hand to provide technical advice on applications and would like to work with our customers to create applications that form a good basis for connecting both industry and the environment in the future"

Sascha Hennig



Our suppliers – More sustainable solutions at a glance

Sustainability is a journey we take together. On the next pages, we proudly present our suppliers and their more sustainable innovations for rubber – highlighting their company, their products and their contribution to a greener future.



Genan

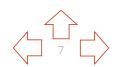
There is no other company like Genan. While aiming for sustainability and a greener planet, Genan is an innovative, high-end recycler of end-of-life tyres. Genan's recycling technology was originally developed in 1990 and has undergone continuous development ever since.

Products

Ambient Powder	GENAN SUPER FINE				
Micronized Powder	40 MESH	80 MESH	120 MESH		
Rubber Modifier	GENAN RUBBER+ PREMIXED				



- Rubber powders originate from End-of-Life Tires
- Valuable secondary raw material turn ELT waste into new products
- Substitution of virgin Rubber or Carbon Black up to 20%
- Reduce CO_2 Emission due to lowered Product Carbon Footprint
- Sustainability and cost savings can go hand in hand





Products

Hemp shives Hemplizit® HPE Hemplizit® SPE



Sustainability aspect

- 100 % biobased material
- Replaces carbon black and silica up to 50 %
- Reduces CO2 as PCF is significantly lower compared to fuel based carbon black
- Can reduce abrasion → increases resistance and prevents microplastic
- Benefits of industrial hemp include soil remineralization, CO₂ binding, and the absorption of toxins like lead



Products

TOR (trans-polyoctenamer)

Evonik

Solid Plant

Solid Plant GmbH is an innovative GreenTech company from North Rhine-Westphalia, specializing in the development and scaling of biobased fillers from industrial hemp. These sustainable alternatives to fossil fillers like carbon black and silica serve the rubber, plastics, and construction industries. The solution combines high technical performance with measurable CO₂ reduction, helping industrial clients decarbonize their products. From cultivation to application, Solid Plant ensures a circular, resource-efficient and regionally integrated process. Together with partners from industry, research, and the energy sector, the company is establishing a new plant-based value chain – driving

climate-friendly industrial innovation made in Germany.

Evonik High Performance Polymers is a business unit of Evonik Industries that specialises in the production and sale of high-performance polymers. Evonik places a strong emphasis on sustainability and uses sustainable energy sources for the production of many of their high-performance polymers. EVONIK is one of the world's leading specialty chemicals companies with a long expertise in developing epoxy- and polyurethane raw materials for composite applications. Evonik support their clients with tailor-made solutions from laboratory scale to serial production

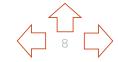


- Cuctamusmit, aspect
- Improves processing by optimizing viscosity and limiting scorch problems
- Keeps good surface finish
- Counterbalances loss of mechanical properties by increasing recycling content
- More reliable and consistent results

· Used for coating of rubber powder

• Enables long lasting products from recylates

VESTENAMER® 8012





DEUREX

DEUREX AG is a medium-sized family business, which was founded in 1989 and has since established itself as one of the leading suppliers of synthetic and natural industrial waxes on the world market. The biggest success factor is the high demand for quality with the claim to be able to offer all types of waxes for every application and property. The next generation of the family business is now focusing on sustainability issues. With the latest invention of BIOMERE, DEUREX AG is now consistently pursuing this path, whereby it becomes clear what great potential the wax industry holds when it comes to sustainability issues.

Products

Biodegradable Wax

BIOMERE®



Sustainability aspect

- Biodegradable waxes can prevent the formation of microplastic
- Same performance and properties like conventional polymers
- Up to 100 % bio-based
- Proven biodegradable material according OECD 301 B



Cabot Corporation

Cabot Corporation (NYSE: CBT) is a leading global producer of reinforcing carbons used to improve the properties of elastomer-based composites in most rubber applications. EVOLVE® Sustainable Solutions, Cabot's technology platform for advancing sustainable reinforcing carbons, is focused on developing products that leverage circular value chains and materials recovered from end-of-life tires, products from bio-based feedstocks and particles, and/or products with a reduced greenhouse gas footprint. Cabot's EVOLVE® Sustainable Solutions technology platform is designed to deliver products that offer sustainable content with reliable performance at industrial scale.

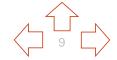
Products

Carbon Black

VULCAN® 7H-C



- VULCAN® 7H-C circular reinforcing carbon is powered by EVOLVE® Sustainable Solutions
- VULCAN® 7HC circular reinforcing carbon via ISCC PLUS mass balance approach enables 100% circular content with drop-in performance
- Full suite of reinforcing and ultra-reinforcing carbon grades available globally





Products

Calcium Carbonate (CaCO₃)

Eco SP AroraTek

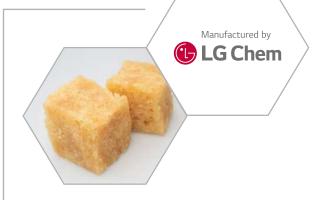
Searching for a "low impact on carbon footprint and economy technology" brought Eco SP AroraTek into a technique to refine a bio-marine waste material sourced from seashell generated at oyster farms, Shells are collected, refined and processed into powder or pellets adaptable and viable to be used by the industry. The product is called OYSTERLEANTM with a very low carbon footprint also including a carbon capture feature. Eco SP AroraTek has more than 30 years' experience in plastics packaging, bio-renewable plastic technologies.

Oysterlean™



Sustainability aspect

- Content is 100% biobased CaCO₃, produced from oyster shells which became waste during the harvesting season
- Can replace fossil fuel-based carbon black in rubber products
- Lower carbon footprint compared to equivalent fossil fuel-based alternatives
- Proven bio-renewable material according to ASTM D6866



LG

LG Chem is a leading South Korean chemical company operating in a wide range of sectors, including the production of high-performance polymers and chemical materials.

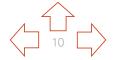
It is one of the most renowned companies in the petrochemical and polymer industry, offering products used across various industries, including the rubber sector.

Products

(Bio-)Circular Balanced Synthetic Rubber SSBR BR NBR



- Renewable, plant-based materials and biomass balance technology is used to produce ISCC PLUS-certified products
- Reduces reliance on fossil fuels and lower carbon emission (In case of BR, 120~140% lower carbon footprint for Bio-Circular Balanced and 60-70 %(estimated values) lower for Circular Balanced)
- Raw material (bio-circular balanced) do not compete with food chain





Elkem

Elkem is a global leader in the production of silicones, silicon products, and carbon solutions.

With a strong focus on sustainability, Elkem combines innovative technologies and efficient processes to meet customer needs while minimizing environmental impact.

Products

Amorphous (non-crystalline) spherical silicon dioxide

Sidistar®



Sustainability aspect

- Produced with 100% hydro power
- Improved performance in viscosity control, processing and dispersion



Chem-Trend

Chem-Trend is a leading provider of release agents, purging compounds, and specialty products for processing plastics, rubber, and other materials.

The products are designed to optimize production processes, extend tool life, and reduce waste.

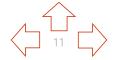
Products

Release Agent

Mono-Coat®



- · Reduces consumption of release agents, minimizing waste and need for frequent reapplication
- Protects molds from wear, reduces maintenance needs and lowering material and energy usage
- Uniform demolding reduces scrap rates, conserving resources
- Optimized production cycle saves energy and improves the carbon footprint of manufacturing operations



Sustainability at Biesterfeld

As a family business we think in generations. We see sustainability as a key element and driver for all our activities. We care for people, our environment and our business. We will guide our partners in all aspects of sustainability and chemical compliance and actively contribute to shaping the path to a more sustainable future.

Details of our sustainability strategy and performance are outlined in our Sustainability Report or on our website.



Our Engagement & Recognitions

To put our engagement into practice, we support internationally recognized standards and initiatives. In addition, our efforts and activities are externally assessed and/or certified on a regular basis.

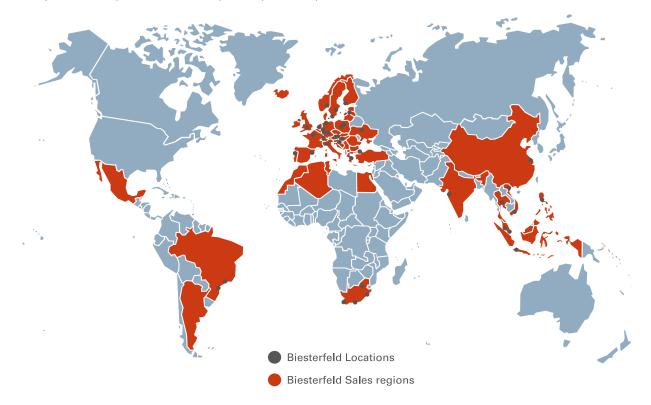
- Participant of the UN Global Compact
- EcoVadis Silver Medal
- Signatory of Operation Clean Sweep (OCS)
- Responsible Care certified
- Integrity Next profile
- Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) member
- ISCC PLUS certified*
- ISO 9001 certified



Our commitment in the rubber industry...

... as a team for our customers

Our rubber experts are always available to assist and guide our customers. They work closely with each client to develop tailored solutions for rubber applications and support efforts to incorporate more sustainable materials in production. Whether you need technical advice or general information, our team is here to help. Feel free to contact your local representative for specific product questions.



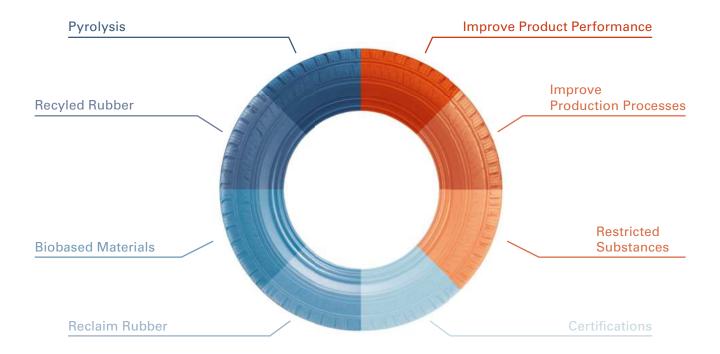
... as distributor for various rubber solutions

Sustainability is a valuable addition to our general product portfolio. By combining more sustainable rubber solutions with conventional rubbers, we are able to offer the right solution for all your rubber needs. This synergy allows us to meet both environmental goals and performance expectations in your specific applications.



... as your partner for trend-driven solutions

There is not just one way to achieve greater sustainability. In the rubber industry, several methods are used to produce more sustainable materials. We help you to keep an eye on the latest trends and find customised solutions for your applications.



... as a member of the Circular Rubber Platform

At the start of 2025, we joined the Circular Rubber Platform, taking another step toward increasing our visibility and demonstrating our commitment to a more sustainable rubber industry. This membership also allows us to share our expertise with customers and inspire them to explore sustainable alternatives

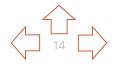


What is the Circular Rubber Platform?

The Circular Rubber Platform (CRP) is an independent platform that unites companies in the rubber industry that are taking a proactive approach to sustainability by showcasing their sustainable rubber raw materials (bio-based and recycled) or services for recycling or reuse. In addition, CRP also organizes physical events to connect engineers and solutions for sustainable rubber materials. Head of the platform are Jan Boomsma (MSc Mechanical Engineering) and Enrico Koggel (Mechanical Engineer)

Why did we join the platform?

Our business for more sustainable rubber solutions began with the material OysterleanTM out of Oyster sheels. Since then, our sustainability portfolio has steadily expanded and we become more recognized in the market as distributor of more sustainable solutions. Customers are not only looking for materials but also for support during their transformation to more sustainable products.





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