



Advanced Materials for the H₂ Transition

Meet our explorers

November 19th





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WELCOME

WE CREATE
TODAY



SYENSQO

Competition law – Guidelines

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Adhere to Competition Law

Conduct all discussions in compliance with competition law; avoid sharing any business-sensitive information or coordinating responses to third parties.

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Avoid Commercially Sensitive Topics

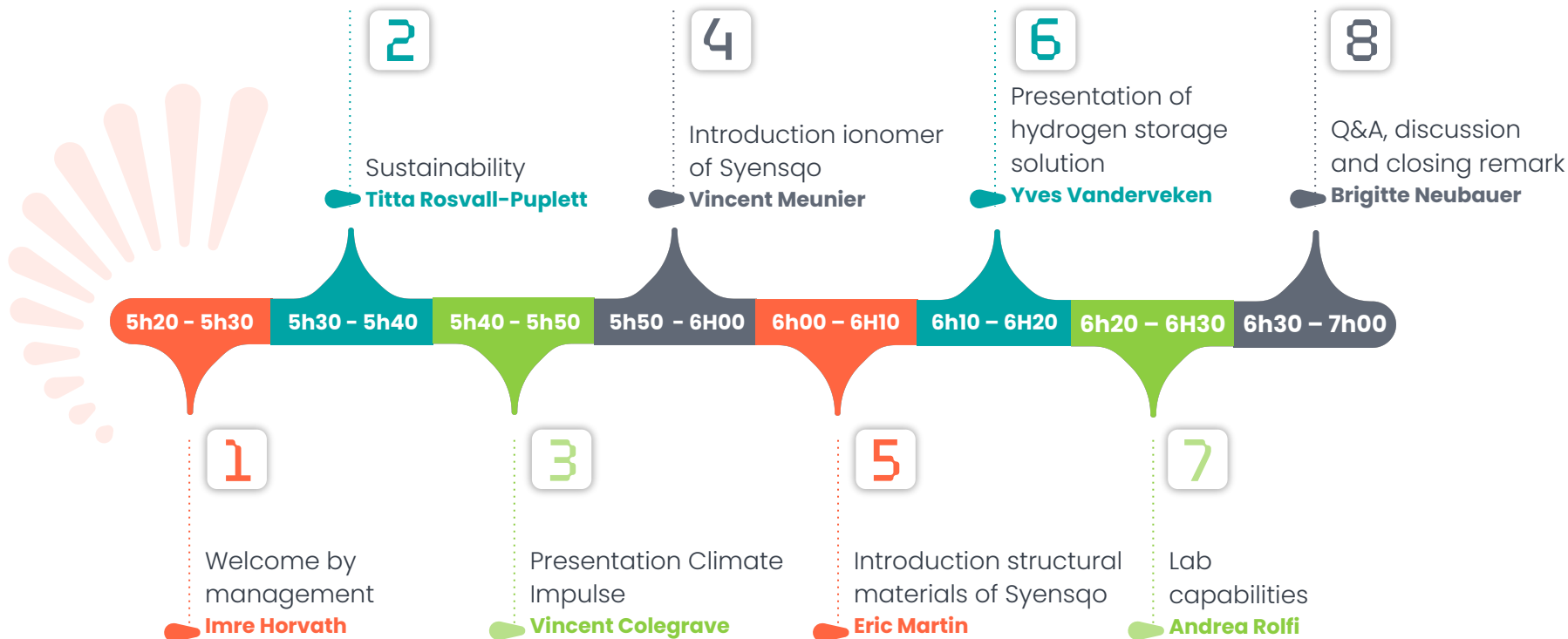
Do not discuss non-public information related to pricing, marketing strategies, R&D, trade terms, or other areas that could impact competition.

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Seek Guidance if in Doubt

If unsure about any topic appropriateness, consult legal advice. Syensqo may halt discussions if competition law risks are identified.

Agenda





SPEAKER

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IMRE Horvath

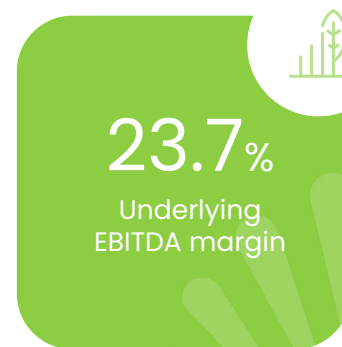
Director Green Hydrogen
Platform



QUESTION?

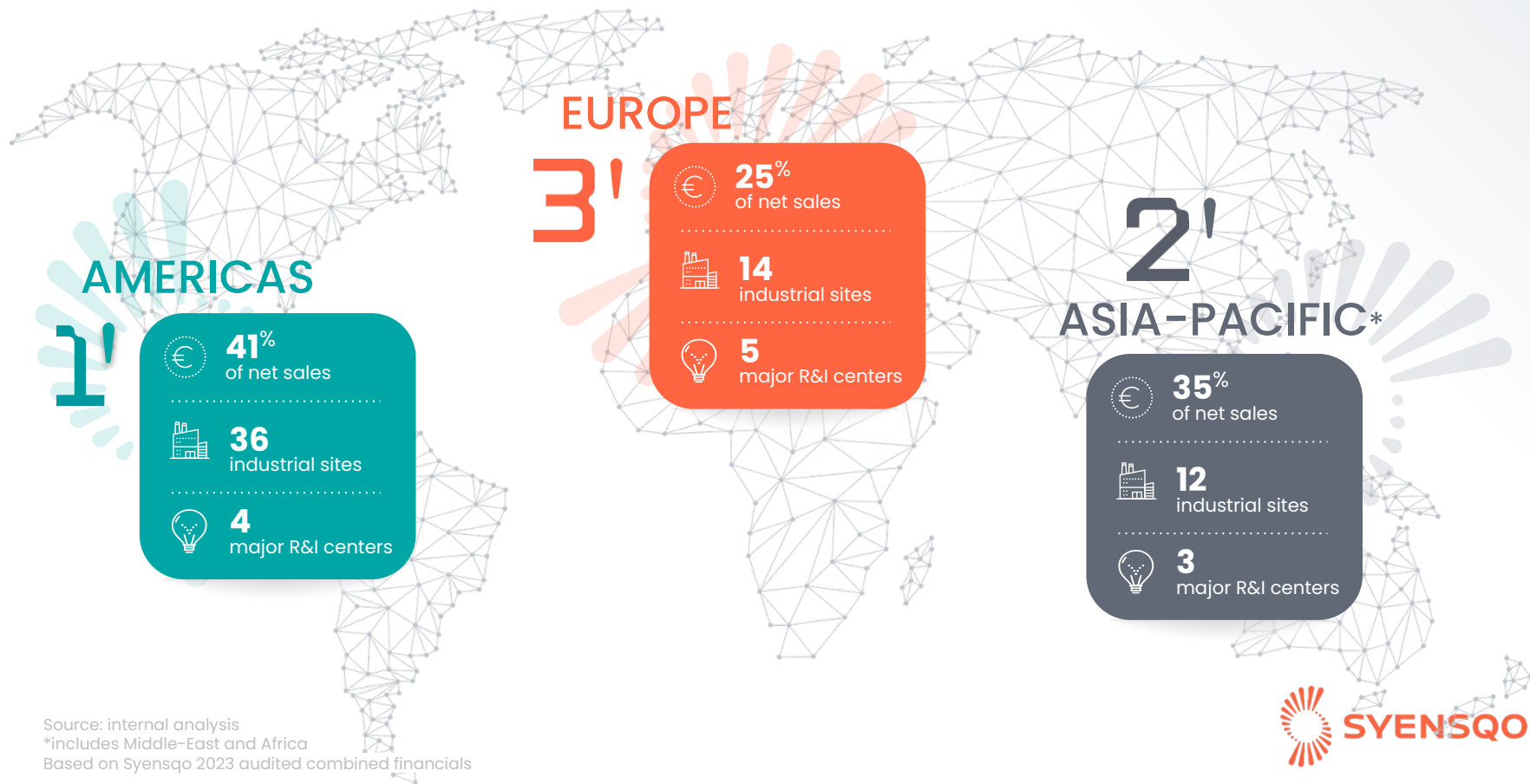
How can partnering with **SYENSQO**
help you accelerate the **hydrogen
economy?**

Top-tier **specialty player**



2023 Syensqo audited combined financial statements
FTE figures as of March 31st 2023

Global and close to our **customers**



Ideally placed to leverage disruptive trends



Electrification



Leader in specialty materials for Li-Ion batteries and fuel cells



Lightweighting



Broadest portfolio of advanced materials



Advanced Connectivity



Advanced materials for semiconductor and smart devices



Resource Efficiency



Mining reagents and solvents to recycle end-of-life batteries



Improving Quality of Life



Leader in hemodialysis media, green solvents and crop protection



Green Hydrogen



Broadest portfolio of materials in all the value chain for electrolyzers, fuel cells and other facets of hydrogen systems

Overall strong hydrogen economy momentum

with the market taking a breather – fundamentals unchanged

GARTNER HYPE CYCLE

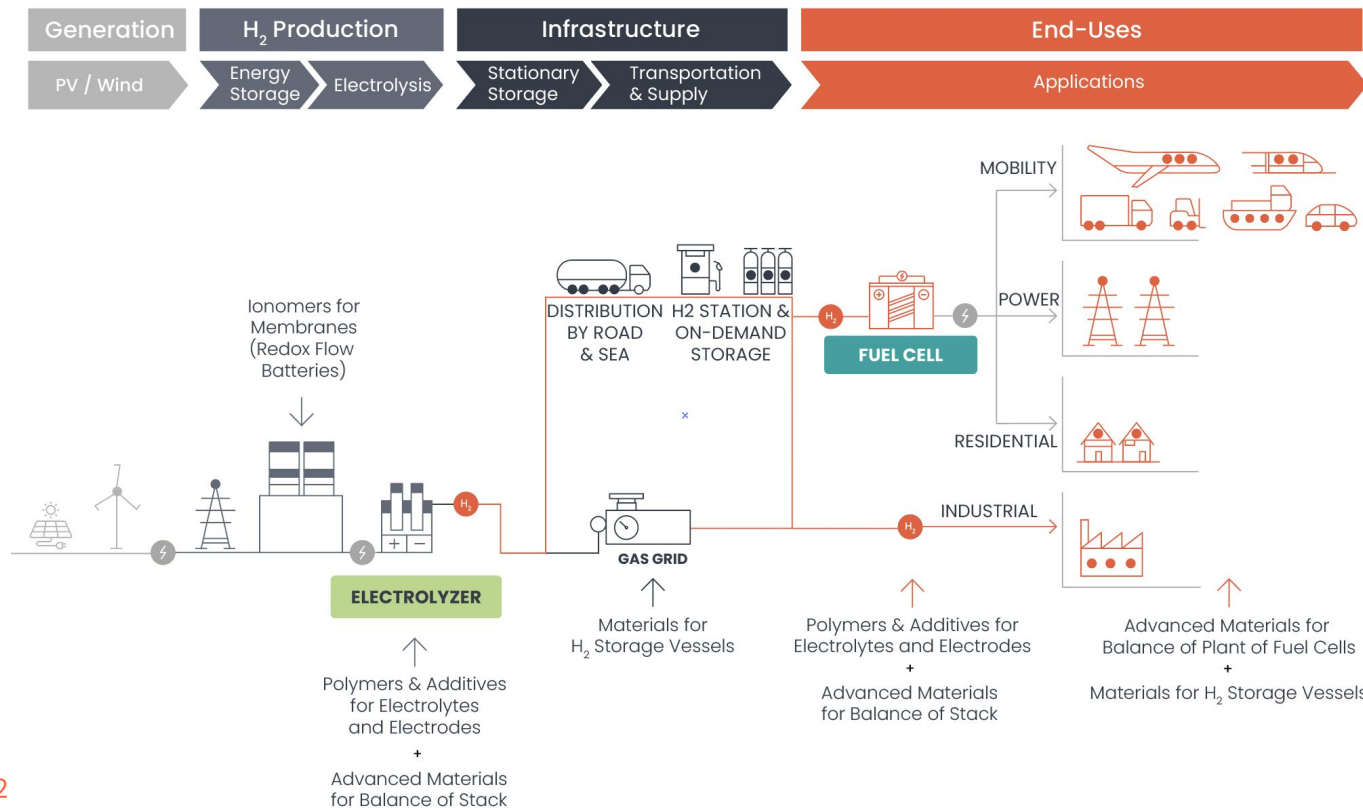
Where is H2?

From slope of enlightenment to plateau of productivity



Source: Hydrogen Council, Hydrogen Insights September 2024

Serving our customers with relevant products & solutions all along the Green H₂ value chain



Connected to key hydrogen associations, incl.

Hydrogen Council



Hydrogen Europe



SYENSQO



SPEAKER

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Titta

Rosvall-Puplett

Chief Sustainability Officer



QUESTION?

What are the **BEST STRATEGIES**
for fostering **collaboration** among
BUSINESSES on **SUSTAINABILITY**
INITIATIVES?



Carbon Neutral by 2040

10 Years earlier than our previous commitment



SYENSQO

Sustainability is integrated in everything we do and we are progressing on our ambitions



CLIMATE

Carbon Neutrality by 2040

40% reduction
Scope 1 & 2
by 2030^[1]

23% reduction
Scope 3 Focus 5^[1,2] emissions
by 2030



structural reduction
versus 2021 baseline



structural reduction
versus 2021 baseline



NATURE

Freshwater intake by 2030

20% reduction
Sites exposed to water
availability challenges
by 2030^[1]

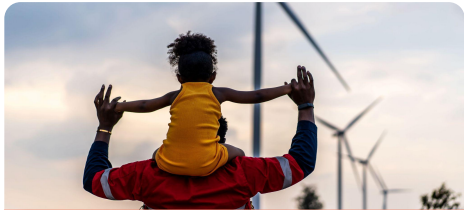


GROWTH

18% of Circular sales by 2030^[3]



+1% point
versus 2021

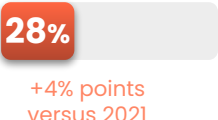
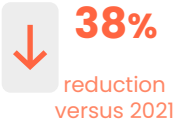


BETTER LIFE

Safety
Aim for zero RIIR^[4]

Gender parity
by 2033^[5]

Living Wage
by 2026



PROGRESS IN 2023

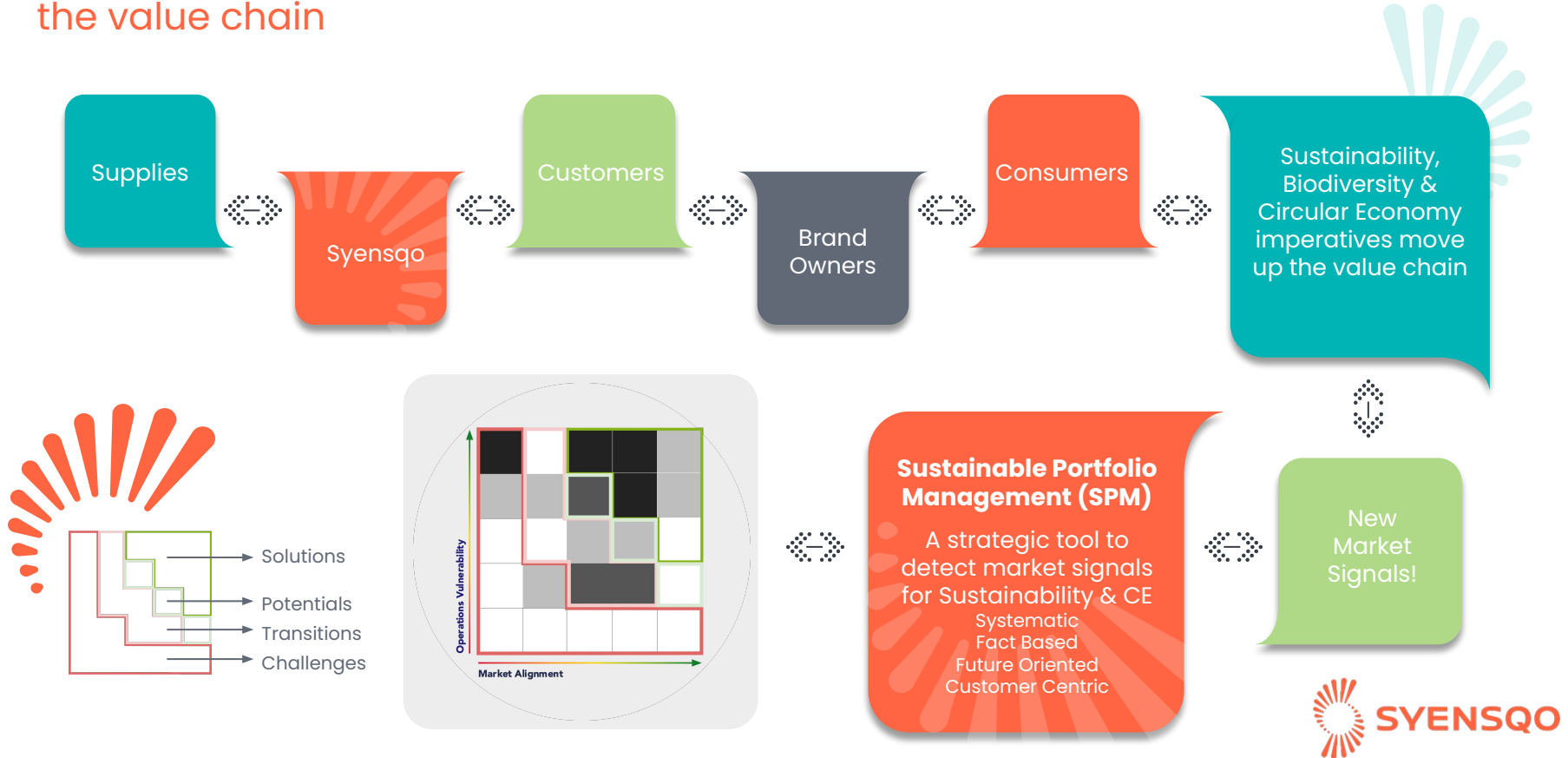
Journey of collaboration





We ADVANCE
your company
on sustainability

Sustainable Portfolio Management is critical compass to guide our businesses decisions and helping to manage risks and opportunities in the value chain





SPEAKER

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VINCENT Colegrave

Head of Syensqo.ai

Climate Impulse
Partnership Director



QUESTION?

How can even the most
challenging industries adopt
CLEANER TECHNOLOGIES
like H_2 , fast?



Click to play the video

A photograph of two hands, one from an adult and one from a child, reaching up to form a heart shape with their fingers. The sun is shining through the heart, creating a bright, warm glow. The background is a soft-focus landscape of a field and trees at sunset.

"Once you choose hope,
anything's possible."



Aviation **strives to be compatible** with
ambitious climate objectives

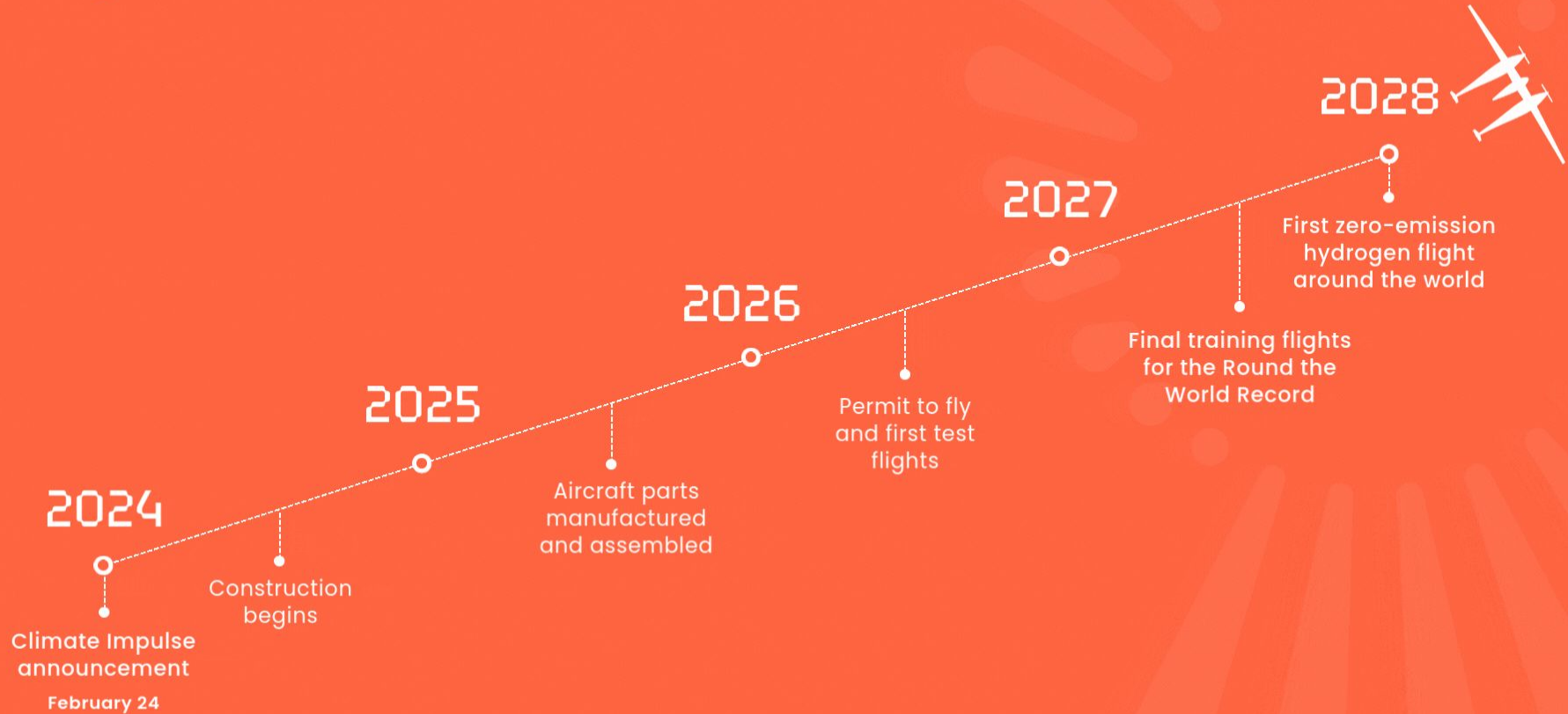
A hand is shown holding a small paper airplane against the frame of an airplane window. The window looks out onto a bright blue sky with soft, wispy clouds. The interior of the plane is visible on the right, showing a textured brown surface. The overall lighting is warm and soft, suggesting a calm atmosphere.

How can we make air travel
more sustainable?



**Climate Impulse
is here to show the way**

A flight around the world in 2028



A Century of Collaboration

CLIMATE**impulse**
One Flight | One World | Zero Emissions

SVENSQO
ADVANCING HUMANITY



1927



2016



2024

A Legacy of Bringing Together the Brightest Minds



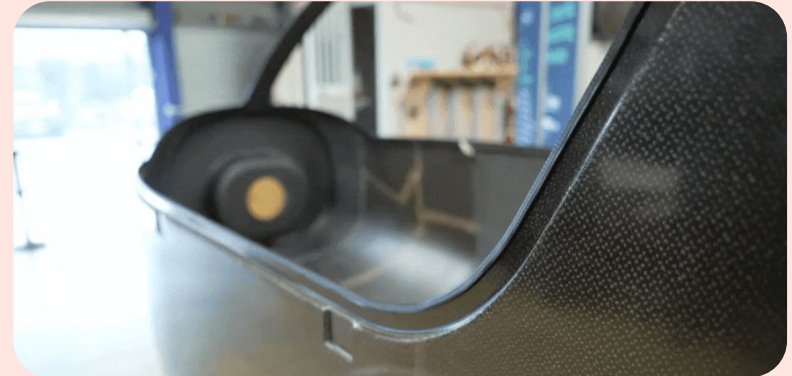
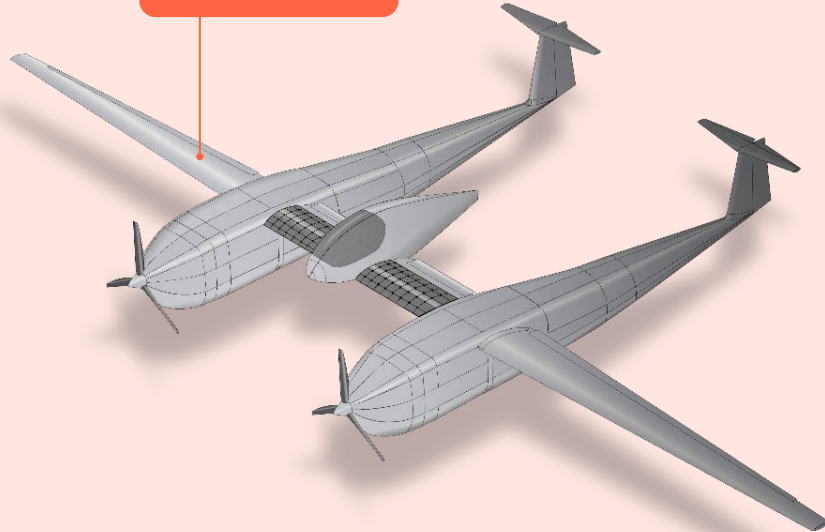
Complex Technical Challenges to Solve

Challenge: **Weight**

Solution: **Composite Materials**

Fuselage, Wings, Cockpit, Pods

Composite Material
MTM®45-1 PrePreg
FM® 209-1 Resin
* FusePly®

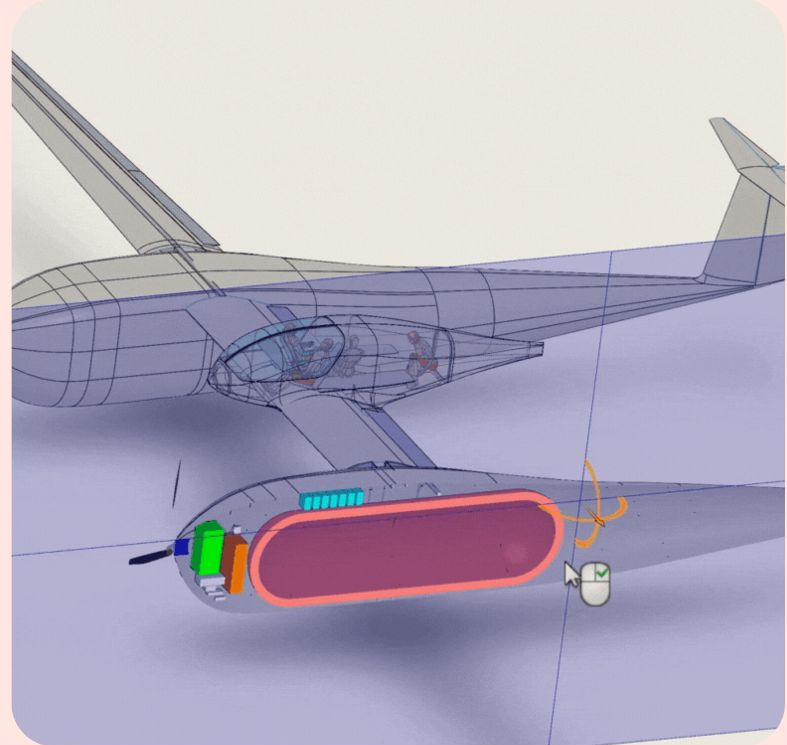
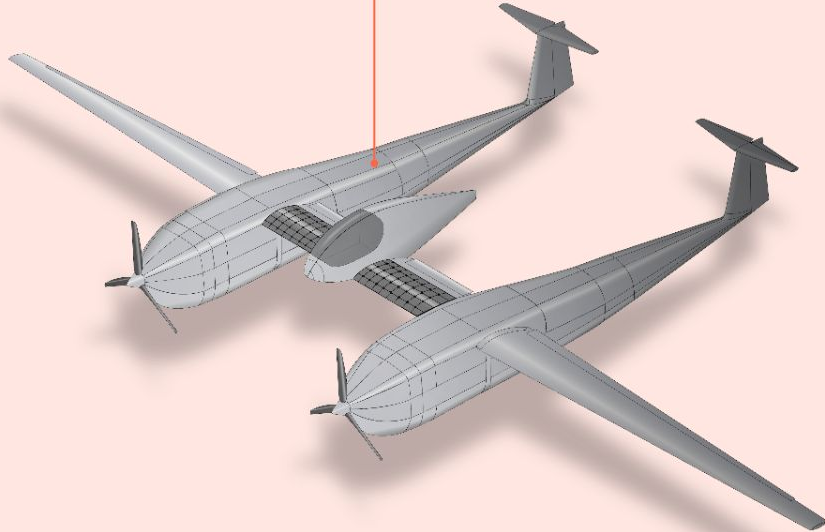


Challenge: **Liquid Hydrogen Storage**

Exploration: **Advanced Epoxy Resin and Composite Materials**

LH2 Tank

Composite Material
Reservoir
Cycom® 5320-1, * APC-2 PEEK



Challenge: **The Fuel Cell**

Solution: The Right Balance of Weight & Power

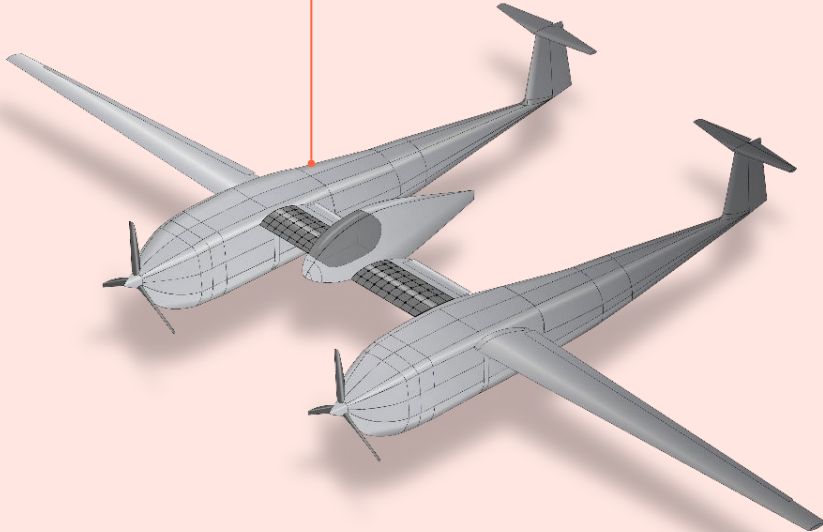
Fuel Cell

Specialty Polymers

Membrane & Stacks components

* Aquivion®

Radel® PPSU, * Torlon® PAI



A photograph of two men in a workshop or studio. They are standing behind a large table covered with a large architectural drawing or blueprint. The man on the left is wearing a dark blue polo shirt and is looking towards the right. The man on the right is wearing a red polo shirt and is looking towards the left. In the background, there is a large whiteboard with some drawings on it, and a bicycle is visible on the far left. The text "Extraordinary Challenges Demand Extraordinary Solutions" is overlaid in the center of the image.

Extraordinary Challenges Demand Extraordinary Solutions

Where Construction Stands Today...

Wings mold

IN PRODUCTION

The aerodynamically optimized wing design and layup selection are complete, with finalization planned for October using the same materials as the cockpit.

Radome

COMPLETED

Material MTM45-1: Glass Fiber fabric impregnated with resin.

Fuselage

COMPLETED

Completed using MTM45-1 carbon fiber with FM 209-1 resin films; frame supports design, fabrication, and internal sealing are ongoing.

Trapdoor mold

PROTOTYPE

The position and shape of the hatch have been finalized, and the first carbon prototype is complete, using the same materials as the cockpit.



SPEAKER

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VINCENT Meunier

Head of Commercial &
Business Development
Green Hydrogen Platform





QUESTION?

MATERIALS ENABLING
HYDROGEN TECHNOLOGY

What can be expected from

IONOMERS

The **ADVANCED MATERIALS**

at the core of **H₂-Tech**?

Introducing Syensqo's Aquivion® ionomer

An exceptional functional ionomer



Aquivion® fluoro-ionomer

broadens the technical choices of both PEM fuel cells and PEM electrolyzer cells developers.

Long-Side Chain



Aquivion® - SSC



→ **Syensqo's short side chain sulfonic acid-functionalized perfluoropolymer** differentiates itself from incumbent "PFSA's"

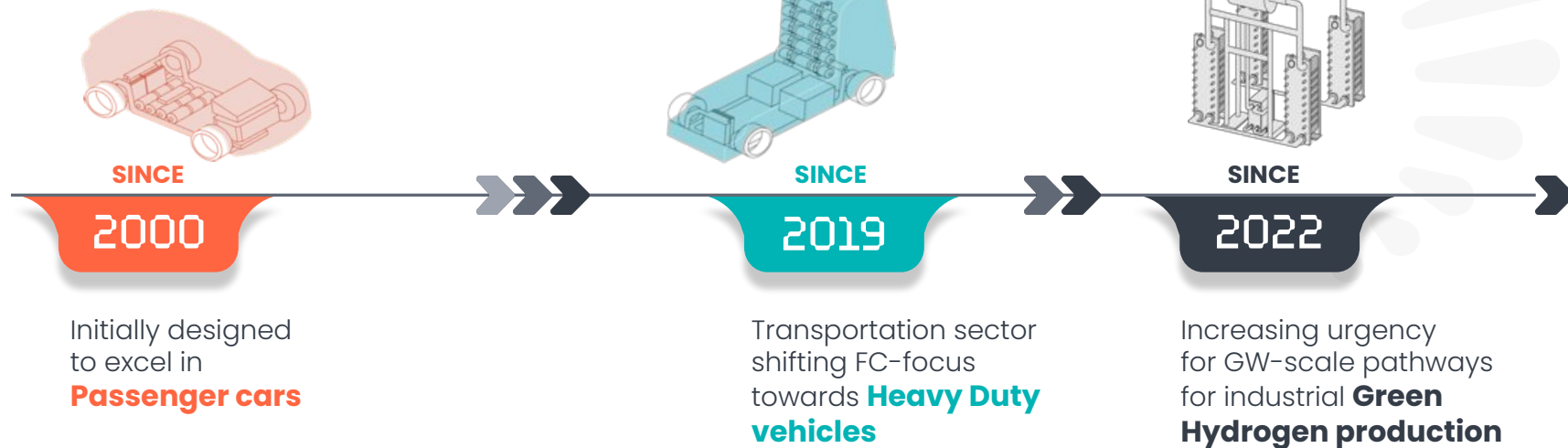


25+ years
of Aquivion® legacy



Exceptional functional ionomers for the right applications

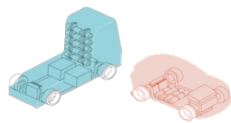
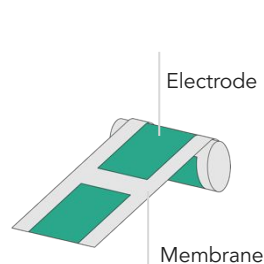
Continuous optimization & adjustments of the
Aquivion® fluoro-ionomer product portfolio
inline with market developments



**Clear positioning in the value chain to nurture
regional creativity of PEM and MEA developers**

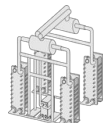
Exceptional functional ionomers “made the right way”

An updated and mature portfolio of Aquivion® fluoro-ionomer dispersions ready since 2022...



EW 720, 790 or 980
Depending of CCM/MEA
operation conditions

EW 720 or 790
Complemented by radical
scavenger when needed



EW 790 or 870
IrO₂ and Pt/C

EW 870 or 980

KEY BENEFITS



High-temperature stability

→ Low creep or reduced cell resistance



Higher crystallinity

→ Good mechanical stability and low hydrogen crossover rate as enablers for thinner membranes



Different and Low equivalent weight

→ Optimum balance of conductivity/ mechanical properties

... continuously improving

06/2022

Syensqo (formerly known as Solvay) announces phase out use of fluorosurfactants globally

Nearly 100% of fluoropolymers portfolio on NFS technology by 2026

11/2024

Launch of Aquivion® N+ series and introduction of Aquivion® N+ 125D

Aquivion® fluoro-ionomers based on non-fluorosurfactant production technology

MORE IONOMERS
TO FOLLOW ...



SYENSQO

Exceptional functional ionomers **for the future**



Where technically durable and leading to further value-added innovation we support our customers to



Reduce the Product
Carbon Footprint
of Aquivion® N+



Identify **fluorine-free alternatives** for selected end use sub-segments



SPEAKER

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ERIC Martin

Global Technical Marketing
Manager
Green Hydrogen Platform





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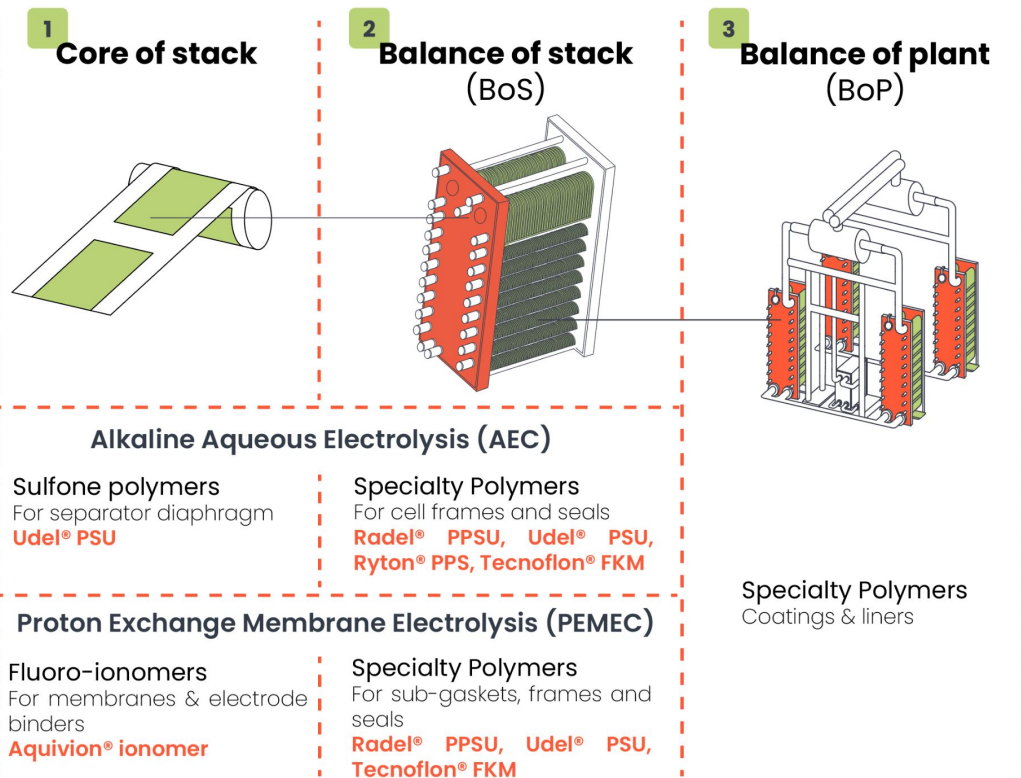
MATERIALS ENABLING
HYDROGEN TECHNOLOGY

How can **MATERIAL SELECTION**
contribute to better **EFFICIENCY**
and **DURABILITY** of **H₂ technology**
systems?

Syensqo's Advanced Materials relevant and meaningful in electrolyzers to produce Green H₂

INDUSTRY TRENDS

- Higher performance & efficiency
- Durability to reach required lifetime
- Lightweighting
- Cost effective production scale-up



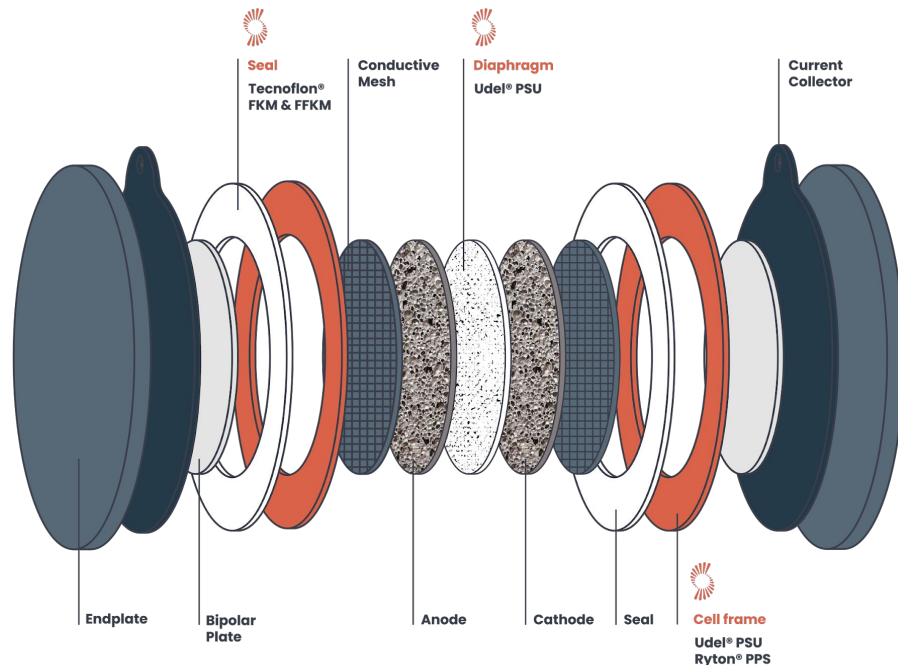
Deep-dive in one key application

Alkaline Electrolyser Cell Frame

FUNCTIONS

Frames enable to :

- protect the electrochemical components
- bring the structural stability to the stack
- drive the gas/fluid management
- improve efficiency
- actively contribute to the sealing performances



Alkaline Electrolyser Cell Frame Materials Solutions

Requirements

- High specific stiffness
- High compressive strength
- Very low deflection under load, up to 120°C
- No corrosion in alkaline environment
- Extremely high chemical resistance
- Rheology designed for large complex shape & series production

Drivers for plastics Optimize Design and Reduce Thickness

- Durability (corrosion)
- Lightweighting
- Heat management
- Flexible manufacturing

Chemical Resistance

Chemical
ageing in KOH
ESCR in KOH

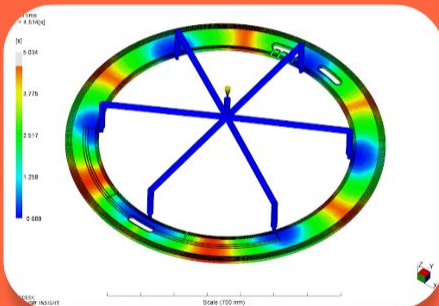
Mechanics

Short term
Long term
(creep...)

Simulation / CAE

Moldflow
Mold/Part Design

Digimat
Mechanical stress &
deformation in operation



SOLUTIONS



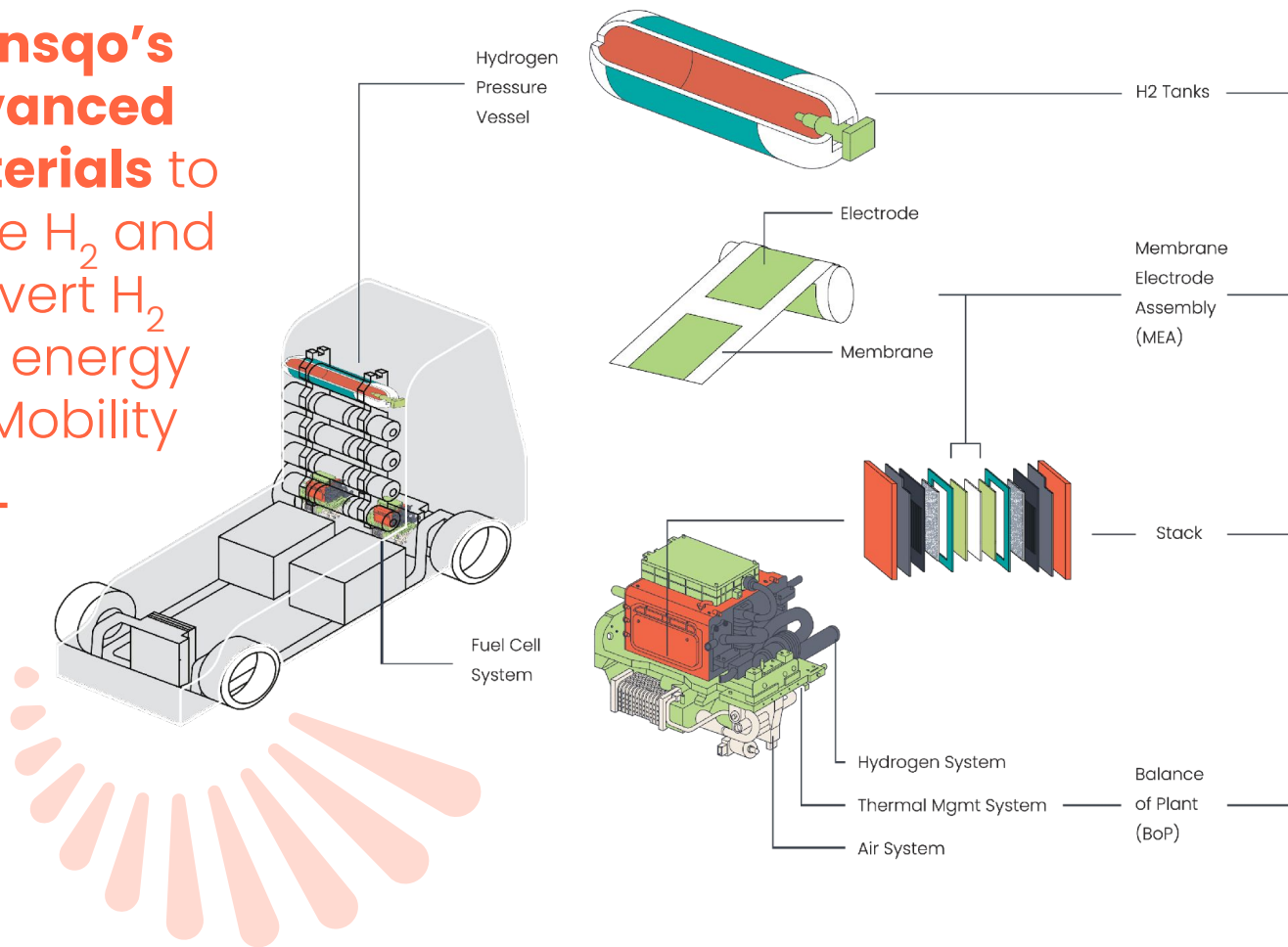
Udel® HYRA PSU / Radel® HYRA PPSU

- >10y track records in AE
- Amorphous
- Excellent stability at high pH and T
- High stiffness

Ryton® HYRA PPS

- Semi-crystalline
- Outstanding dimensional stability
- Excellent chemical resistance

Syensqo's Advanced Materials to store H₂ and convert H₂ into energy for Mobility



Specialty Polymers

Fluoro-ionomers

For membranes & electrode binders
Aquivion® Ionomer

Specialty Polymers & Films

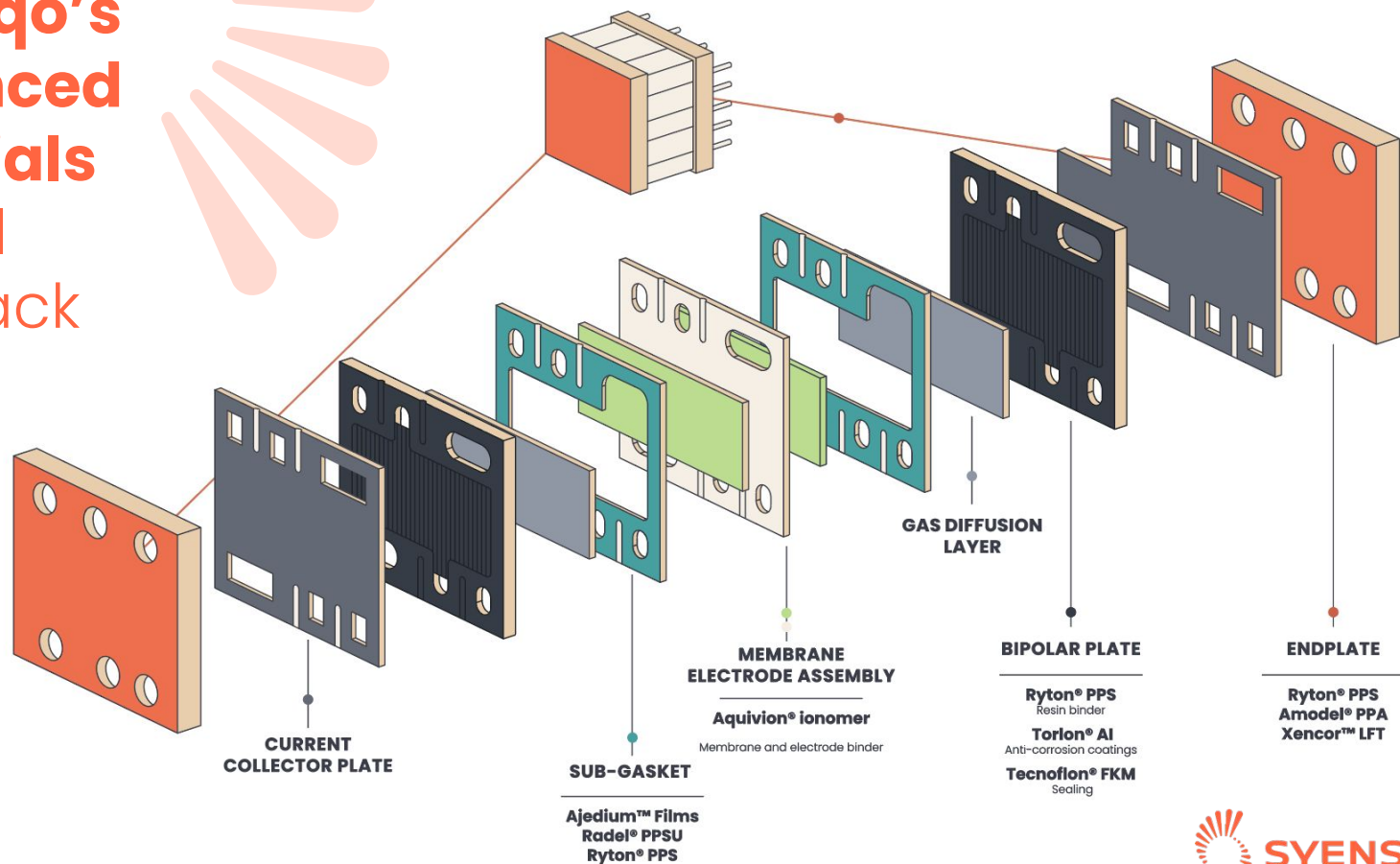
For sub-gaskets, bipolar plates, sealings, endplates

Radel® PPSU, Ryton® PPS, Amodel® PPA, Torlon® AI, Tecnoflon®, FKM, Xencor™ LFT

Specialty Polymers

For hydrogen, air and thermal managements loop applications
Ryton® PPS, Amodel® PPA

Syensqo's Advanced Materials for fuel cell stack





SPEAKER

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YVES Vanderveken

Project Leader Structural
Materials for Hydrogen Tanks





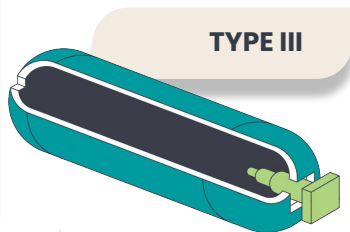
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MATERIALS ENABLING
HYDROGEN TECHNOLOGY

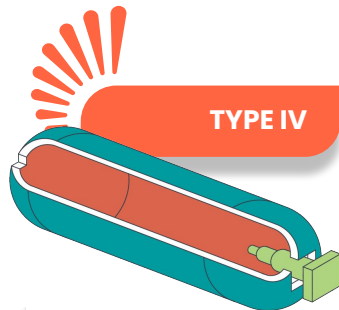
What **CHALLENGES** is Syensqo
addressing to **bring hydrogen
storage “at scale”**?

Challenges for H₂ tanks – Opportunities for Syensqo Materials

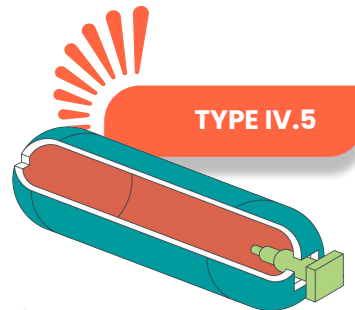
Types of H₂ tanks



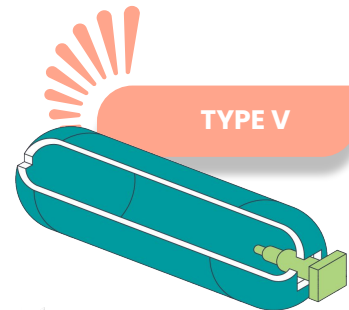
Steel or aluminium liner
Composite full wrap



Plastic liner
Composite full wrap



Plastic liner
Thermoplastic Composite
wrap with similar polymer
matrix



No liner
All composite

Challenges

A

Fast fueling of
700 bar tanks

Safe tank resistant
to **T peaks > 85 °C**

B

Reducing H₂
contamination

**Lower H₂O
absorption** of liner
vacuum resistance
(type IV.5 tank)

C

Less H₂ release,
better LCA,
recyclability

Low H₂ permeation,
better use of carbon
fiber, full
thermoplastic tank

D

Design efficiency

**Store more H₂ with
less weight
Better use of available
volume**

A

Syensqo materials viable across a wider temperature range

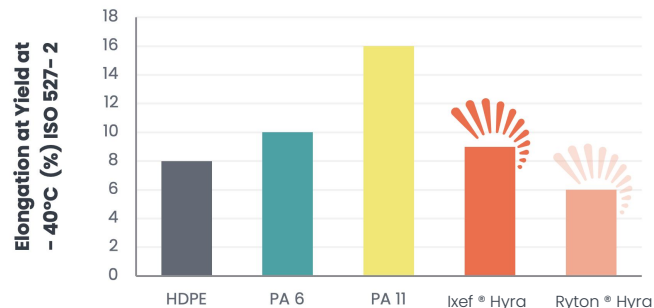
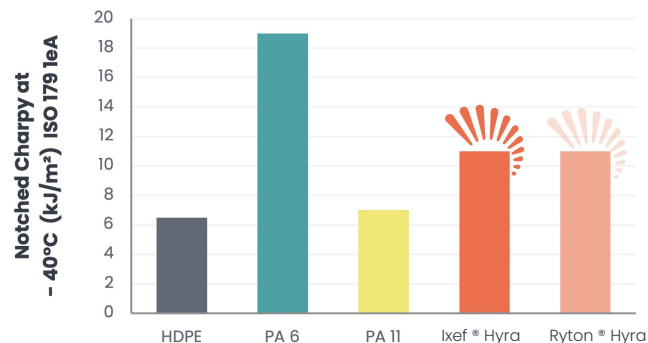


Good balance of properties at low T versus incumbent

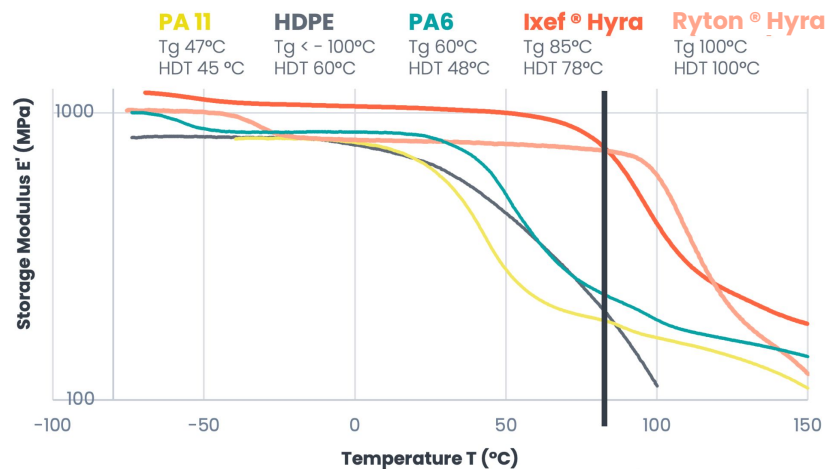
Significantly improved thermomechanical properties (stiffness)

No transition of Syensqo materials in T range of operation

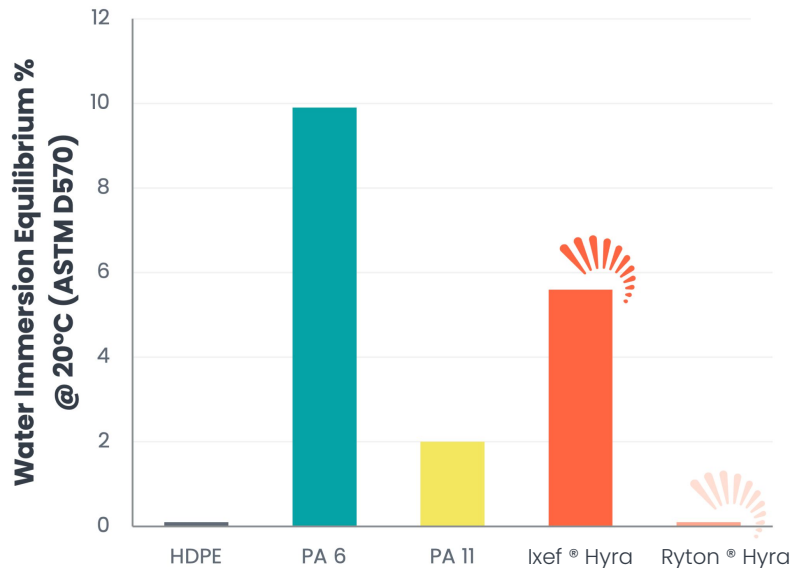
LOW TEMPERATURE (-40°C)



HIGH TEMPERATURE (>85°C)



B Syensqo materials with low moisture absorption



Ixef® Hyra has significantly lower moisture absorption versus PA 6
Ryton® Hyra has very low moisture absorption comparable to HDPE
→ **less H₂ contamination by moisture**
→ **better process consistency**

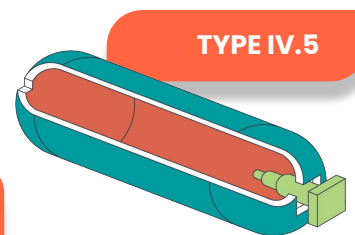


Difficult to decontaminate current tanks

Risk of liner collapse under partial vacuum

No / limited adhesion liner / composite

High cost for tank recertification (H₂ transportation)



Tank type IV.5: similar polymer matrix for liner and composite creating a strong interface until End of Life

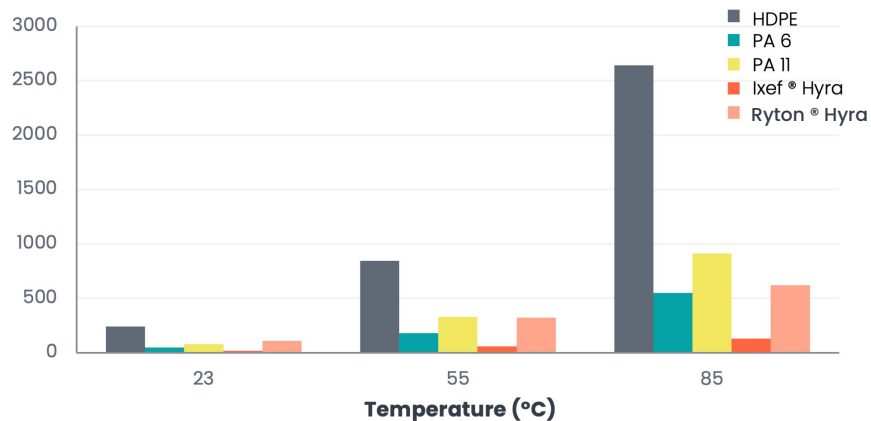


Syensqo works on leveraging resin formulation know how for thermoplastic composites



Syensqo materials with low permeability to H₂

**H₂ Permeability Coefficient
(NccSTP.mm/m².d.b)**



T° (°C)

H₂ Permeability Coefficient (NccSTP.mm/m².d.b)

	HDPE	PA 6	PA 11	Ixef® Hyra	Ryton® Hyra
23	240	47	79	17	110
55	846	181	330	58	324
85	2640	550	912	131	622

IXEF® HYRA

Ixef® Hyra has significantly lower H₂ permeation (> 3 x)

H₂ permeation increases significantly at T > T_g
→ **Ryton® Hyra** ≈ PA 6 and PA 11 at T > 55 °C

Measurements are done dry
Moisture depresses T_g of polyamides



Ixef® Hyra passes stringent H₂ cycling test
250 cycles, 50 °C, **875 bar** / 50 bar, 170 bar/min



Ixef® Hyra passes rapid gas decompression
Saturate 168 h at **875 bar**, 20°C,
decompress in **< 5 sec**

→ **Ryton® Hyra** testing ongoing



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D Syensqo materials enabling thinner liners



Easy and cost-effective manufacturing:

extrusion blow molding,
extrusion, injection molding



IXEF® HYRA

Ixef® Hyra → **good thickness distribution with wall thickness of 2 mm versus 4 mm PA 6**

- **Potential for thinner liners** (higher stiffness versus incumbent)
- **Store more H₂ / less weight**
- **Better carbon footprint of H₂ tanks**
- **Higher freedom of tank designs** (e.g. longer tanks with smaller diameters, which need better barrier)

In a nutshell Syensqo & Hydrogen tanks

SYENSQO MATERIALS FOR LINERS

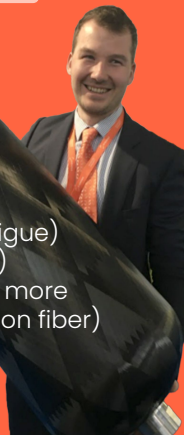


- ✓ **Extended temperature range** for fast tank filling (700 bar tanks)
(less H₂ pre-cooling)
- ✓ **Less risk of contamination & reduced manufacturing variability**
(due to lower H₂O absorption)
- ✓ **Low permeation** allowing design freedom
- ✓ **Thinner liners** with **lower CO₂ footprint**
- ✓ **Design efficiency:** e.g. conformable tanks, high L/D ratio

EXPLORE BEYOND

Syensqo working on
leveraging resin
formulation know
how for thermoplastic
composites targeting:

- Tougher matrix (burst after fatigue)
- Vacuum resistance (IV.5 tanks)
- Less variability in processing & more design freedom (use less carbon fiber)
- Potential for H₂ barrier
- Recyclability



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HYDROGEN
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Mecadi

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AFPT

TESTNET
by H. Sirena

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ACTUA
PLAST.

SI
BlowMoulding

GHENT
UNIVERSITY

SYENSQO

THANK YOU!

SPEAKER

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ANDREA Rolfi

Customer Technical
Development Engineer
Green Hydrogen Platform





QUESTION?

MATERIALS ENABLING
HYDROGEN TECHNOLOGY

From **OUR LAB** into **a product**.

How can **SYENSQO** support
innovation DRIVEN CUSTOMERS?

Supporting our customers

in their advanced material solutions
qualification journey

HIGH - PERFORMING



PRODUCT

RIGHT



PROCESS

BEST-IN-CLASS



PERFORMANCE

Syensqo Green Hydrogen PLATFORM'S AMBITION



Develop and provide high-performing **products** that with
the right **processing** are able to deliver best-in-class
performance in their final application

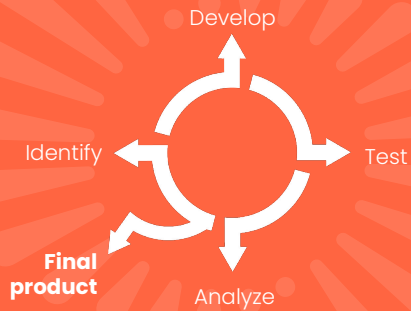


SYENSQO

Supporting Customers Globally

Our International Footprint

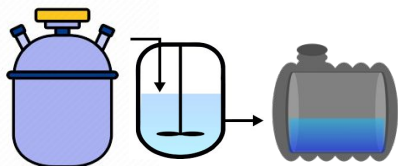
Syensqo is able to leverage their years of diverse expertise, customizable **pilot manufacturing facilities** and state of the art **laboratory** infrastructure to best serve their customers with advanced material solutions



Driving Excellence in Product, Process and Performance

PRODUCT

Pilot manufacturing facilities for product development, scaling-up, and industrialization.



PROCESS

Processing our products enables us to help customers find the right processing parameters and to enable testing the performance of the materials after processing

Processing know-how and equipment range from molding and extrusion to membrane, electrode & separator preparation.



PERFORMANCE

Integrating our materials in real application environments enables testing the performance of the materials in the final application

Application know-how and equipment range from fuel cells to electrolyzers and redox-flow batteries.



Characterization key enabler



for optimized products, processes & performances

Multi-technique approach to generate basic knowledge, leveraging standard methods & innovative customized approaches

Characterization capabilities examples:

- **Analytical & material characterization:** Physical test, mechanical & chemical resistance, spectroscopy, chromatography, inorganic analysis, morphology, rheology.
- **Electrochemical characterization:** Conductivity, gas permeability, aging test, polarization, EIS, etc.



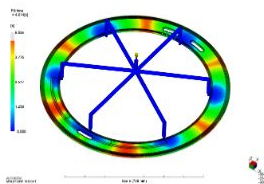
Design & Virtual Engineering key enabler

for optimized products, processes & performances

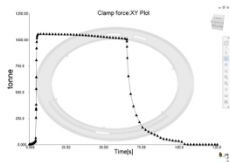


INJECTION MOLDING SIMULATION (MOLDFLOW)

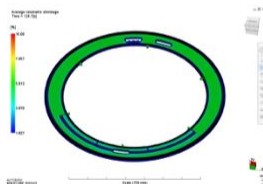
► Filling pattern
weld lines ...



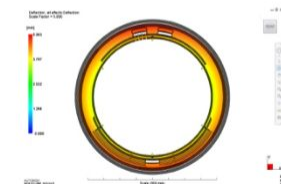
► Injection pressure
and clamping force



► Volumetric
Shrinkage



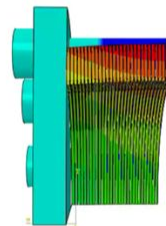
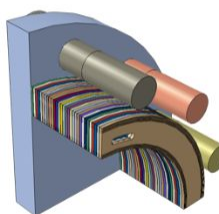
► Part
Deflection



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► Analysis of a partial stack of frames including:

- Axial Compression
- Thermal Expansion
- Internal Pressure
- Material anisotropy for fiber reinforced polymers
- Quasi-static / secondary creep properties





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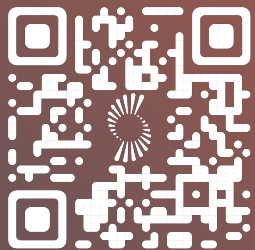
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