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## SPECIAL HIGHLIGHTS

### SUNDAY 10 | 1 COMPLIMENTARY TUTORIALS

PM 12:00	EXHIBITION SET-UP STARTS
3:30	<b>SUNDAY TUTORIAL</b> History, Present and Future of Thermoplastic Vulcanizates (TPVs): A Structure Property Outlook Dr. Nischay Kodihalli Shivaprakash, Mitsubishi Chemical America – Performance Polymers Division
4:15	<b>SUNDAY TUTORIAL</b> Innovations in Biocarbon Reinforced Polyolefin Sustainable Composites: A New Direction for Automotive Applications Prof. Amar Kumar Mohanty, University of Guelph
5:00	EVENING RECEPTION SPONSORED BY <b>FORMOSA PLASTICS GROUP</b>

### MONDAY 10 | 2 EXECUTIVE MARKETING FORUM

PM 2:00	SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS BY OUR SPONSORS AND EXHIBITORS
TO	TOPICS AND SPEAKERS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON
5:00	NILES I AND NILES II ROOM, 2:00-5:00PM

### TUESDAY 10 | 3 ECOTEK LAB STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION

AM 9:00	STUDENT POSTERS ON DISPLAY
	NILES I AND NILES II ROOM, 9:00AM-5:30PM
TO	9:00AM - 1:00PM ATTENDEE VOTING OPEN
	1:00-2:00PM COMMITTEE JUDGING
PM 2:40	2:40PM POSTER COMPETITION AWARDS, HALLS I-II-III

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## MONDAY 10 | 2

AM 7:30

REGISTRATION / EXPO / NETWORKING / BREAKFAST

8:15

CHAIR WELCOME REMARKS / SPONSORSHIP MESSAGE

8:30

**KEYNOTE**
**Cockpit of the Future**

Drew Winter, Informa Tech Automotive Group, TU-Automotive, WardsAuto, Wards Intelligence

9:15

**PANEL DISCUSSION**
**Achieving Sustainable Thermoplastic Olefins Across the Value Chain, led by General Motors**

Matt Vandyke, General Motors – Senior Plastics Sustainable Materials Engineer

Panel Representatives from: Inteva Products, Magna, Advanced Composites, Dow, LyondellBasell and ISCC

Moderated by: Dr. Petya Yaneva, SABIC; Pravin Sitaram, Haartz Corp.

10:45

**NETWORKING BREAK SPONSORED BY SPE DETROIT SECTION**
**HALL I**
**SUSTAINABILITY**
Mark Allen, Dow Chemical  
Dr. Murali Reddy, CCC Plastics  
Dr. Petya Yaneva, SABIC

11:00

**Challenges of Mechanically and Chemically Recycling Post-Consumer Polypropylene**  
 David Nix, Green Group Consulting

11:30

**Life Cycle Assessment Based on Carbon Footprint of PVC Slush IP Skin vs TPE Injection Molded Soft Skin**  
 Susan Kozora, IAC

**HALL II**
**INNOVATIONS IN INTERIORS**
Dr. Pravin Sitaram, Haartz Corp.  
Austin Wagenhals, Ford Motor Co.  
Hoa Pham, Sonoco
**Plenary Talk - Industry Trends Driving More for Less**  
 Ken Gassman, Inteva Products

**Wave Casting Technology for Automotive Interiors**  
 Dr. Greg Farrar, CpK

**HALL III**
**PERFORMANCE ADDITIVES & COLORANTS**
Dr. John Mara, Amfine  
Heejung Kwon, Songwon
**How Stabilization of Automotive TPO Compounds Changed from the Past and How it Could Evolve in the Future**  
 Margot Clauss, Klaus Keck, Rianlon

**Ionic Additive to Improve Melt Strength in Recycled and Virgin PP Compounds**  
 Brett Robb, Resin Solutions

PM 12:00

**NETWORKING LUNCH SPONSORED BY SPE DETROIT SECTION**

1:30

**Upcycling of Waste Polyolefins and Recycled Ocean Plastic in Biocomposites Uses for a Circular Economy**  
 Manjusri Misra, University of Guelph

**Challenges of Smart Surfaces in Automotive Trim**  
 Jeremy Husic / David Whitehead, Inteva Products

**Developing Polyolefin Compounds with a Metallic Look**  
 Kevin George, GEON Performance Solutions

2:00

**Post Industrial Recycling of Natural Fiber Reinforced Polypropylene (NFPP)**  
 Thomas Sybrandy, Inteva Products

**Decarbonization in Automobiles - Material Options for Automotive Interior Applications**  
 James Leo Mazurek / Akim Khalef, FORVIA / MATERI'ACT

**Superior Polypropylene via Use of Novel Nucleating Agent Technology**  
 Yuhei Hattori, Amfine

2:30

**Sustainability Certification for TPO Supply Chains using ISCC PLUS**  
 Peter Hawighorst, ISCC

**Next Generation Cold Temperature Ductile Interior TPOs**  
 Robert Mimms, Advanced Composites

**Thermo-oxidative Stabilization of Mechanical Recycled Polypropylene Compounds**  
 Heejung Kwon, Songwon

3:00

**NETWORKING BREAK SPONSORED BY SIRMAL**

3:30

**Product Designs to Facilitate Increased Recycled Content**  
 Kevin Lyons, Inteva Products

**Antifungal Test Methods - What you Need to Know**  
 Dr. Mail Ha, Microban

4:00

**Sustainable Polyolefin Composites for Today and Tomorrow**  
 Kevin George, Geon Performance Solutions

**Recycled Content TPE for Automotive Interiors**  
 Stephen Cranney, Kraiburg

4:30

**Sustainable Mechanically Recycled Polypropylene Compounds for Automotive Applications**  
 Junhua Zhang, SABIC

**Incorporating Recycled Polypropylene in a Compound Intended for Automotive Interior Applications**  
 Luca Gazzola, Sirmal

**MATERIALS DEVELOPMENT**
Quentin Boll, LyondellBasell  
Catherine Wilson, Ford Motor Co.  
Dr. Bin Sun, SABIC

3:30

**Next Generation SABIC Polypropylene Short Glass Fiber (PP-SGF) Composite**  
 Tariq Ali Syed, SABIC

4:00

**New Mineral Solutions for Automotive Applications**  
 Saied Kochesfahani, Imerys

4:30

**Structural Enhancement of Sustainable Materials**  
 Christopher Oberste, WEAV3D Inc

5:00

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## TUESDAY 10 | 3

AM	7:30	REGISTRATION / EXPO / NETWORKING / BREAKFAST		
	8:15	CHAIR WELCOME REMARKS / ECOTEK LAB STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION / SPONSORSHIP MESSAGE		
	8:30	KEYNOTE	Systematizing Sustainability Manoj Patnala, Director for Interior Advanced Technologies, RIVIAN	
	9:15	KEYNOTE	Reducing Carbon Footprint with Performance: The Role of Bio-Based Plastics in Mitigating Climate Change Gustavo Lombardi, Director of Business Development, Braskem	
	10:15	NETWORKING BREAK SPONSORED BY SPE DETROIT SECTION		
		HALL I	HALL II	HALL III
		EXTERIOR TRIM & STRUCTURAL APPLICATIONS	POLYOLEFIN ELASTOMERS & VULCANIZATES	MATERIALS DEVELOPMENT
		Mark Pilette, Magna (Retired) Charlie Yang, LyondellBasell Kevin DeGroot, Borealis	Dr. Bhavesh Shah, Lion Elastomers Dr. Dave Patel, GuruTech Systems, Inc Dr. Nadeem Bokhari, Sumitomo Polymers	Quentin Boll, LyondellBasell Catherine Wilson, Ford Motor Co. Dr. Bin Sun, SABIC
	10:30	Automotive Seating and Interiors Innovation using EPP Steven R Sopher, JSP	Split-Proof Thermoplastic Vulcanizates (TPV) for Corner Molding Application Dr. Nischay Kodihalli Shivaprakash, Mitsubishi Chemical America	How to Overcome Material Specifications in Talc Modified TPOs: Introducing New Product Line Neofill Piergiorgio Ercoli Malacari, IMI Fabi SpA
	11:00	Transforming EPP for New Solutions Chris Gregory, Magna	Santoprene Thermoplastic Vulcanizates in EV Cooling Hose Applications Paul Zwick, Celanese	Newly Developed Innovative SEBS for Automotive – Interior Parts Kazuhisa Takagi, Asahi KASEI
	11:30	Advancement in Translucent TPO Compounds for Innovative Automotive Lighting Design Dan Zhang, LyondellBasell	Self Lubricated Low Coefficient of Friction Thermoplastic Vulcanizates (TPV) for Corner Molding Application Şerif Erdoğan, Elastron	Novel Flame Retardant Polypropylene for Large EV Battery Part Production through Extrusion and Thermoforming Dr. Petya Yaneva, SABIC
PM	12:00	NETWORKING LUNCH SPONSORED BY SPE DETROIT SECTION		
	1:30	PANEL DISCUSSION	Accelerating Sustainable Materials Development For a Greener Future, led by RIVIAN MODERATOR: Manoj Patnala, Director for Interior Advanced Technologies, RIVIAN RIVIAN PANELISTS: Farshad Toomadj, Lead CMF; Lauren Palomba, Staff Materials Engineer; Mudit Shukla, Rivian Core Engineer; Yichi Zhang, Sr. Staff Materials Engineer; Venu Krishnardula, Staff Materials Engineer SUPPLIER PANELISTS: Advanced Composites, The Materials Group	
	2:40	ECOTEK LAB STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION WINNERS ANNOUNCED		PROCESS ENABLING & ADDITIVE TECHNOLOGIES  Matt Sprouse, Audia Dr. Suresh Shah, Dephi (Retired) David Tucker, New Wave Manf.
	2:45	NETWORKING BREAK SPONSORED BY M HOLLAND		
	3:00	Trends in Design & MFG. of Door Hardware Modules Brian Staser, Inteva Products	Innovative Elastomer Product Designs and Processing Dr. Talat Karmo, VINTECH INDUSTRIES	Compression Molded EV Battery Enclosures with Flame Retardant Glass Reinforced Polyolefin Compounds Dr. Koffi Dagnon, SABIC
	3:30	Polyolefin Elastomer Choices in Designing Translucent TPO Compounds Gaoxiang Wu, Dow	Newly Developed TPV for Glass-Run Channel Corner Joint Applications Takeshi Tominaga, Sumika Polymers (Sumitomo)	Advanced Simulation Techniques for Predicting and Mitigating Stress Marks on High-Quality Product Surfaces Alex Baker, Moldex3D
	4:00	Innovative Short Glass Fibre Reinforced Polypropylene Compounds for Liftgate and High Class Automotive Applications Nicolas Schlutig, Sumika Polymers (Sumitomo)	Reduce Carbon Footprint with Santoprene ECO-R TPVs Dr. Prashant Bhadane, Celanese	Implementation of Live, Nonfunctional Decorative Stitching as an Alternative to Cut-Sew-Wrap Technology for Automotive Applications Ed Wenzel, Inteva Products
	4:30	High Stiffness Thermoplastic Olefins (TPOs) Enabling Light Weight Body Panel Applications Jue (Jane) Lu, LyondellBasell	Multi-featured Soft TPV; Extremely Low Permanent Set, High Fluidity, and Over-Moldability Kaho Tazeo, ENEOS Materials	Polymer Fusion Labeling: A New Labeling Technology that Answers Major Safety Concerns and Reduces Liability Jason Brownell, Polyfuzze Graphics
	5:00	Recent Glass Fibre Reinforced Polypropylene Compounds to Meet Carbon Footprint Target Nicolas Schlutig, Sumika Polymers (Sumitomo)	Sustainable Styrenic Block Copolymer Solutions to Enhance Multipolymer Compatibilization and Performance in Automotive Applications Dr. David Truong, Kraton Polymers	Digital Printing with Polypropylene in Automotive Dmitriy Yurchenko, GKN Additive, NA
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8:30

### KEYNOTE

**The Value of Benchmarking to the Mobility Evolution**

Manojdeep Jasrotia, Vice President of North America Sales, Caresoft Global

9:15

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### HALL I

#### SUSTAINABILITY

Mark Allen, Dow Chemical  
Dr. Murali Reddy, CCC Plastics  
Dr. Petya Yaneva, SABIC

9:30

**Driving Sustainable Materials for Mobility**

Lisa Madenjian, Dow

10:00

**Addressing Net Zero Emission Goals Using Carbon Negative Bio-Based Polypropylene**

Megan Krampe, Mitsui

### HALL II

#### INNOVATIONS IN INTERIORS

Dr. Pravin Sitaram, Haartz  
Austin Wagenhals, Ford Motor Co.  
Hoa Pham, Sonoco

**Enhancing Automotive Interiors with Recycled Content TPE's**

Chris Engel, Avient

**Recycled Materials and Non-Halogenated FR Technologies in Crosslinked Closed Cell Polyolefin Foams for Interior Applications**

Turner Slaughter, Sekisui VOLTEK

### HALL III

#### PROCESS ENABLING & ADDITIVE TECHNOLOGIES

Matt Sprouse, Audia  
Dr. Suresh Shah, Dephi (Retired)  
David Tucker, New Wave Manf.

**Managing Melt Temperature in a Co-rotating Twin Screw Extruder**

Charlie Martin, Leistritz Extrusion

**Compounding Biobased Polymers with AI 2.0**

Saeed Arabi, Alterra Holdings

#### PERFORMANCE ADDITIVES & COLORANTS

Dr. John Mara, Amfine  
Heejung Kwon, Songwon

10:30

**Additive Technologies to Improve TPO Performance in Automotive Applications**

Michail Dolgovskij, SI Group

**Predicting Mechanical Performance & Processing of Core-back Foam Injection-molded Parts with Grained Surfaces**

Anil Tiwari, SABIC

**Additives Engineering and Impact on Polyolefins Weather Stability and Anti-Dust Properties**

Enrico Galfre, SABO

11:00

**Advanced Polymer Additive Technology to promotes Circular Economy**

Koichi Yuno, Adeka

**H.B. Fuller's Thermonex® Clearbond Transparent Adhesive for Interior Trim**

Brent Landis / Rick Snyder, H. B. Fuller

**How Various Combinations of Additives Affects the Performance of Antiscratch Additives in PP Automotive Formulation**

Dr. Emile Homs, Cargill

11:30

**Understanding Scratch and Mar Improvements for Increased Consumer Satisfaction**

Kevin George / Tra Goss, Geon Performance Solutions

PM 12:00

### FACILITY TOUR

**DEPART FOR CARESOFT GLOBAL FACILITY TOUR (Optional)**

1:00 - 1:30PM NETWORKING RECEPTION (Food/Beverages provided)

1:30 - 3:30PM Talk to the Experts...Demonstrations and Tour

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# Caresoft® FACILITY TOUR



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### CARESOFT GLOBAL EXPERTS WILL FOCUS ON:

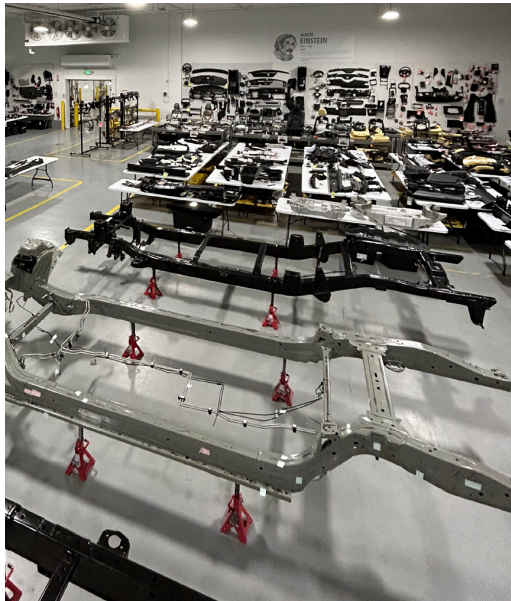
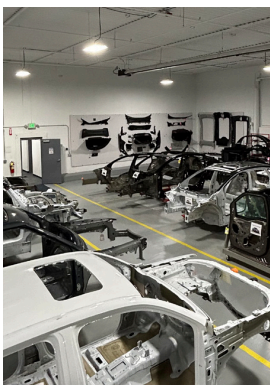
- ICE and EV vehicle construction comparisons, highlighting polymer applications
- How traditional applications for polyolefins have evolved in the pivot to electrification
- Future potentials for polymer solutions during the mobility evolution.
- Dedicated group tours focusing on polymer and EV components

**PLEASE SIGN UP IN ADVANCE TO ATTEND**



## 12+ EVs BENCHMARKED AND PARTS ON DISPLAY

GMC Hummer EV	Rivian R1T	Volkswagen ID4
MG MG4	Lucid Air	Great Wall Pao
Tesla Model Y	Toyota bZ4X	Renault Megane
Ford F-150 Lightning	Ford Mach-E	Tesla Model S Plaid



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