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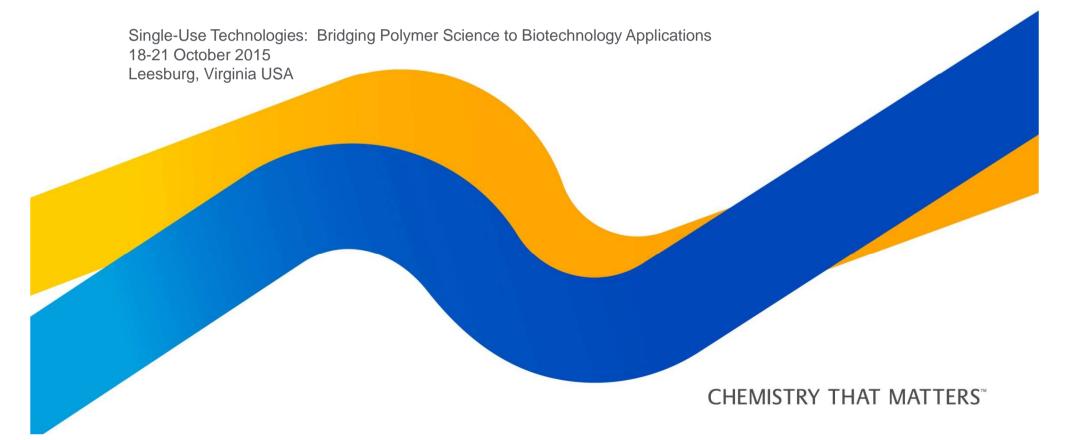
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#### POLYOLEFINS AND THEIR INFLUENCE ON SINGLE-USE TECHNOLOGY FOR BIOPROCESSING

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## INTRODUCTION: CHEMISTRY THAT MATTERS<sup>TM</sup>



#### SABIC IN NUMBERS

1976, our beginning39 years of growth

3rd largest global diversified chemical company\* 116th largest public company in the world\*

91 B\$ total assets 50 B\$ annual revenue 6.2 B\$ net income

40,000 employees50 countries5 Strategic Business Units

64 world-class plants worldwide 5 key geographies with innovation hubs 150 new products each year 10,640 global patent filings



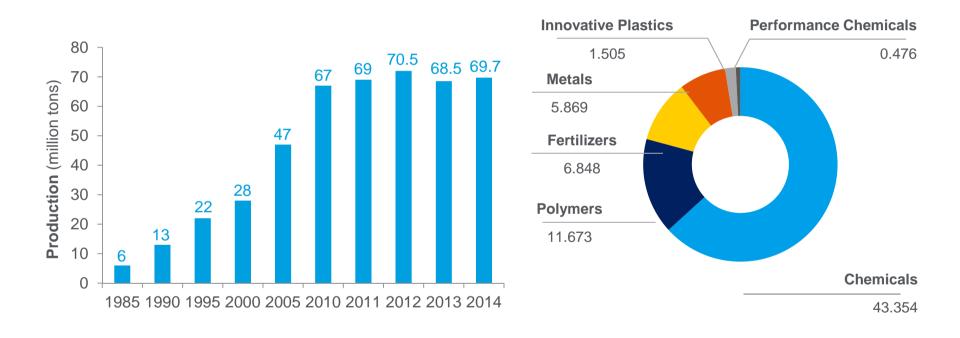
\* Forbes 2015



#### PRODUCTION HAS MULTIPLIED BY 5 IN 20 YEARS

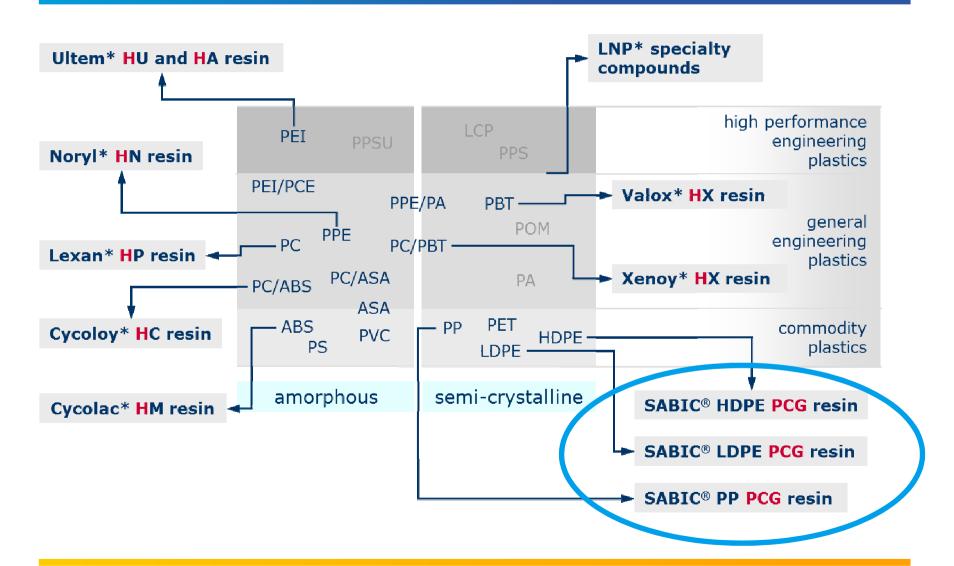
#### A high rate of growth...

#### ...reaching 69.7M metric tons in 2014





#### COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS





#### WORKING TOGETHER: CHEMISTRY THAT MATTERS™



#### **BUILDING BRIDGES**







SUS PRODUCT
REQUIREMENTS

SABIC'S IN DEPTH POLYMER KNOWLEGE







**PATIENT** 

SAFETY

NO-CHANGE GUARANTEE



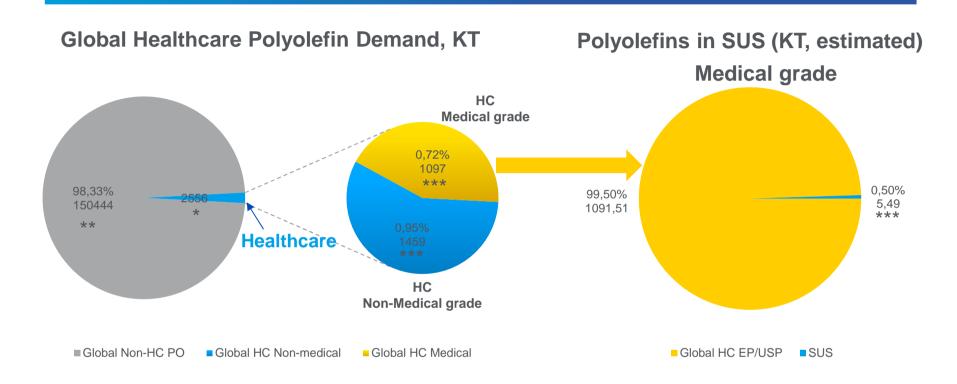




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#### GLOBAL POLYOLEFIN MARKET





#### **Medical grade = EP and USP compliant materials**

\* Source: BCC Research 2013

\*\* SABIC Market Intelligence

\*\*\* Estimated



#### POLYOLEFINS & INFLUENCE ON SUT

### Input

- LDPE
- HDPE
- PP
- Additives

#### **Process**

- Injection molding
- Extrusion
- Film (blown, cast)
- Printing
- Filling
- Sterilization

## Output (SUS)

- Mechanical
  - Modulus
  - Impact
  - Rupture
- Chemical
  - Extractables & leachables

Single Use Technology

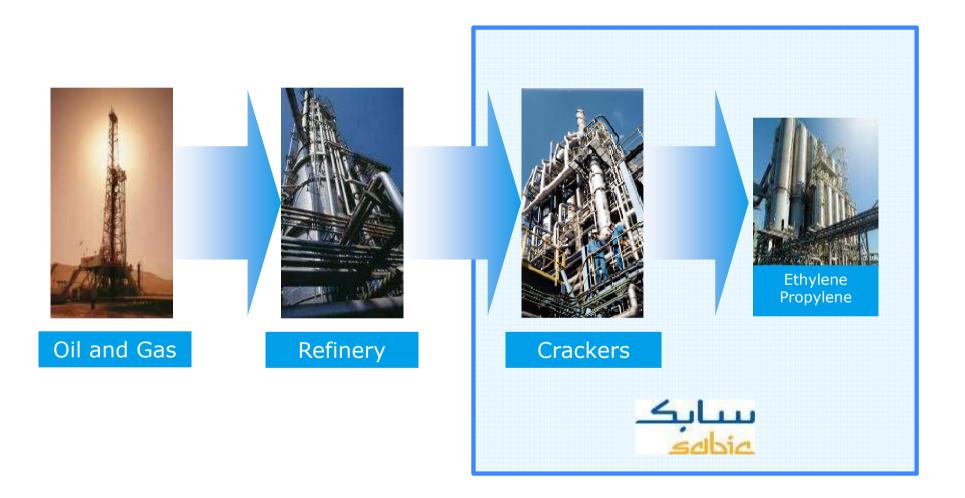
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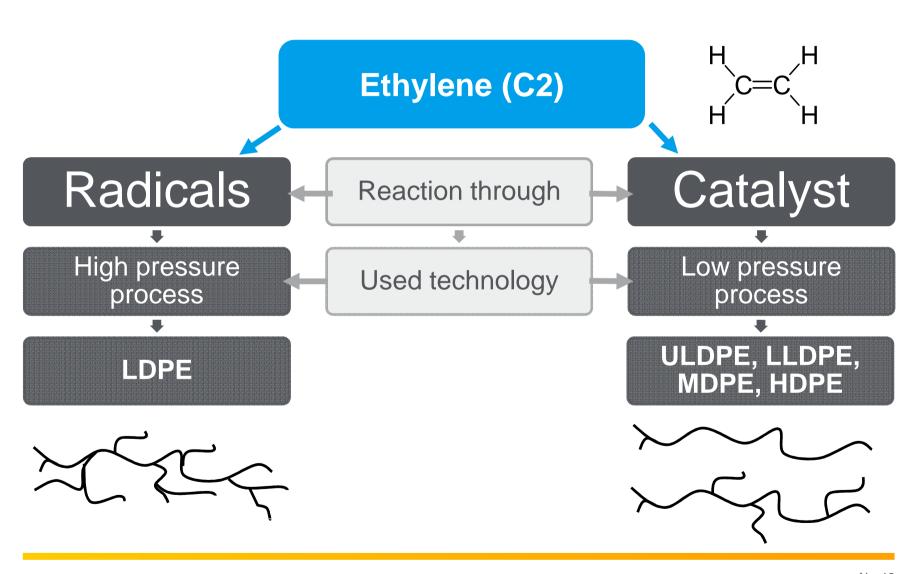
## POLYOLEFINS: POLYETHYLENE & POLYPROPYLENE



#### FROM OIL TO OLEFINS

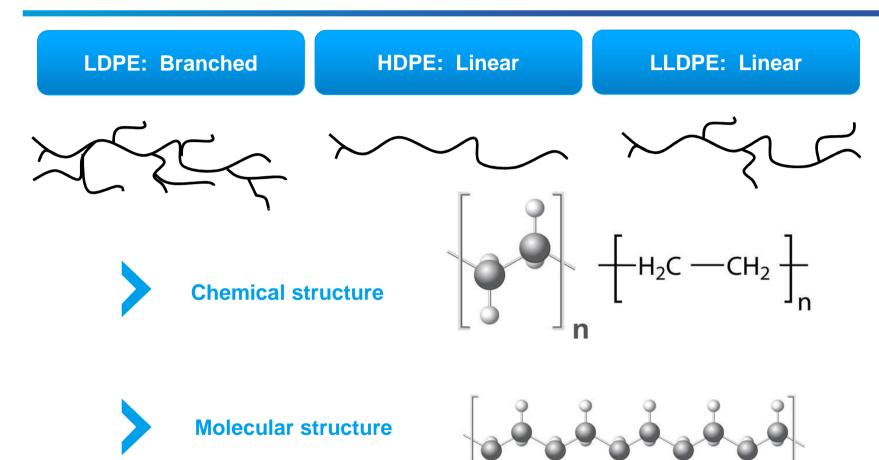


#### POLYMERIZATION PROCESS





#### POLYETHYLENE (C2) STRUCTURE





LLDPE contains side chains by co-polymerization of ethylene with monomer (e.g. butane, hexane, etc)



#### POLYPROPYLENE (C3) STRUCTURE

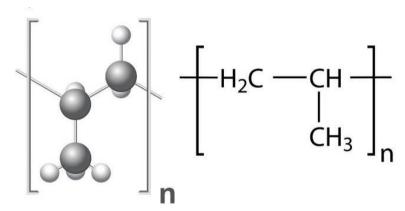
Homopolymer (no ethylene)

Random (<10% ethylene)

Impact Copolymer (>30% ethylene)

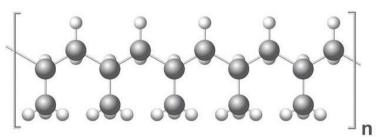


Chemical structure





**Molecular structure** 



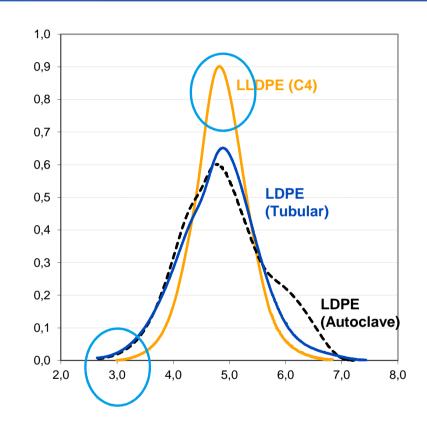
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# KEY PROPERTIES: PHYSICAL MECHANICAL CHEMICAL & ADDITIVES



## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES: MOLECULAR WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION (MWD)

- Polymers have a distribution of chain lengths
- Production technology allows some tailoring of MWD:
  - Narrow distribution for film grades
  - Broader distribution for injection molding grades
- Melt Flow Index (MFI) is inversely proportional to MW



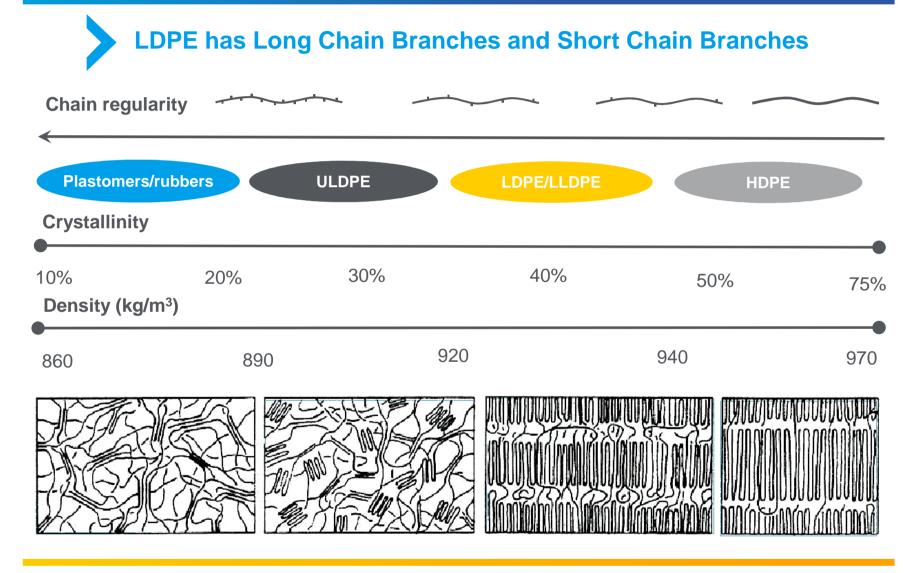


Chain lengths range from very short...

...to very long



#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES: DENSITY & CRYSTALLINITY





#### Tensile Modulus

Resistance of materials to tensile force.

#### Flex Modulus

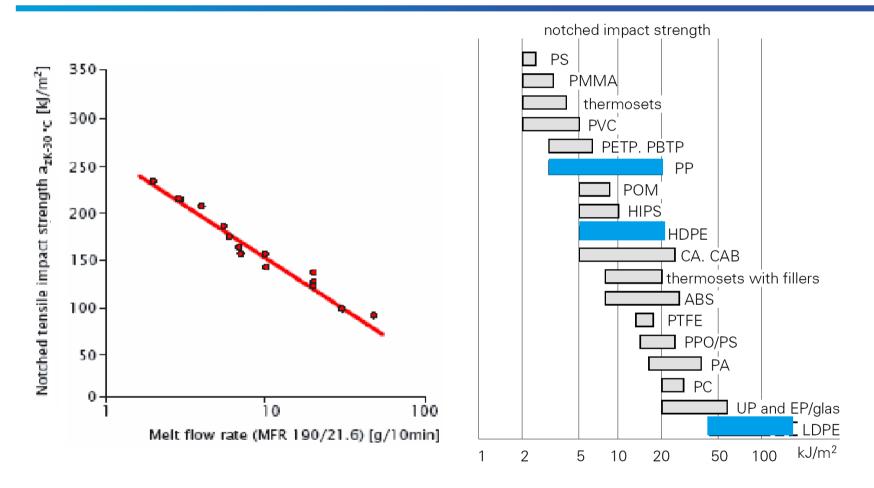
Resistance of materials to flexural force

### Izod Impact

 Resistance of materials to impact at several temperatures



#### MECHANICAL PROPERTIES: IMPACT STRENGTH





Impact strength is influenced by melt index and density



#### CHEMICAL PROPERTIES: TYPES OF ADDITIVES

#### Modifiers

- Impact Modifiers
- Nucleating agents/clarifiers
- Organic
   Peroxides
- Plasticizers

Improves film toughness

## Property Extenders

- Antioxidants
- Antistatic agents
- Heat stabilizers
- Light stabilizers

- Inhibits gels
- Increases gamma stability

#### Processing Aids

- Anti-blocking agents
- Lubricants/mold release
- Slip agents

- Facilitates bag opening
- Minimizes blocking



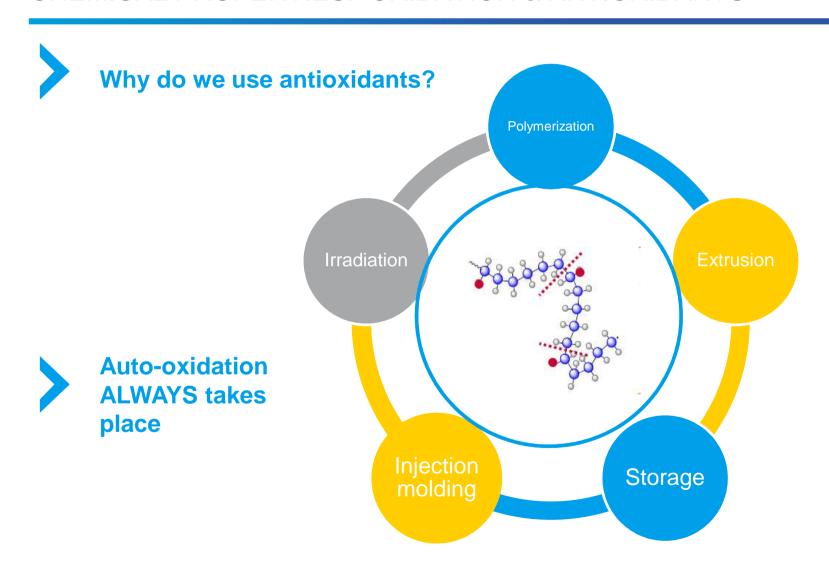


## CHEMICAL PROPERTIES: OXIDATION & POLYMER DEGRADATION

#### **AUTO-OXIDATION** Mechanical Energy stress Heat ROH + H<sub>2</sub>O Polymer Light Peroxides Chain Scission **Peracids** Energy or R. Catalyst Residues RO +OH Oxygen Ketones Alcohols Polymer Heat ROOH ROO-Aldehydes Metal Polymer **Catalytical** lons residue **Impurities Co-additives**

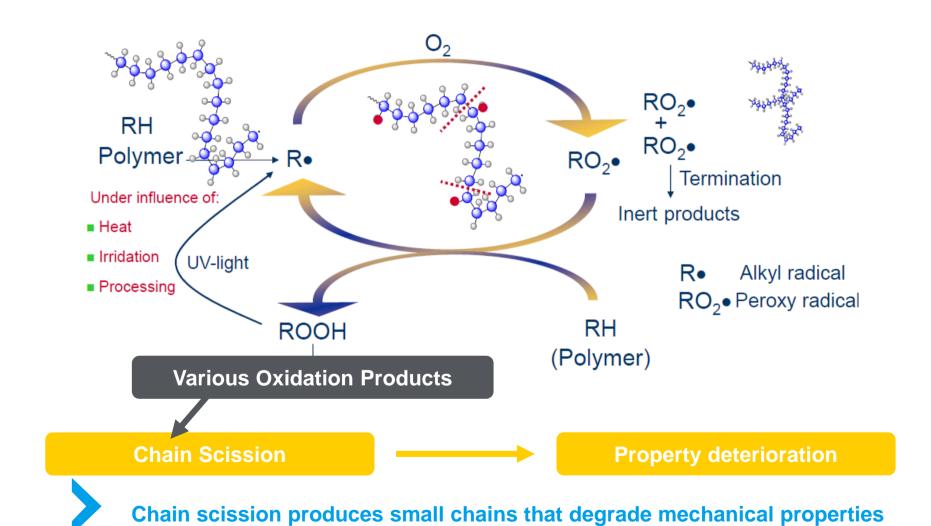


#### CHEMICAL PROPERTIES: OXIDATION & ANTIOXIDANTS





#### CHEMICAL PROPERTIES: DEGRADATION CHEMISTRY

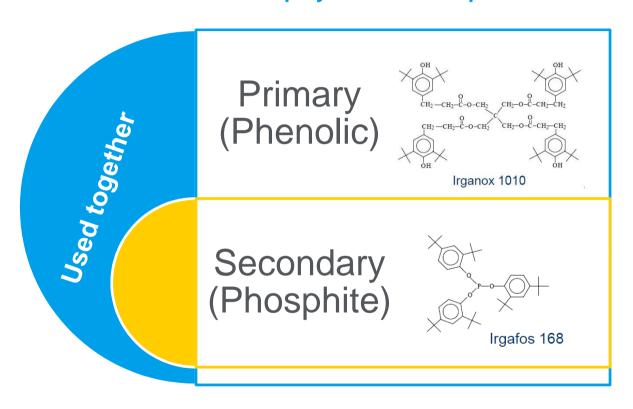




#### CHEMICAL PROPERTIES: ANTIOXIDANTS & DEGRADATION



#### Antioxidants are used in most polymer resins to prevent oxidative degradation





Oxidative degradation can lead to gels and black specs in PE film



#### CHEMICAL PROPERTIES: EXTRACTABLES & LEACHABLES

Solvent	ВР	GC-MS	UPLC-HRMS (+ & - APCI)	Headspace
Ethanol	78 ℃	-	-	
DCM	40 ℃	-	-	
Hexane	69 ℃	-	-	
Water pH 2, 7, 9	100 ℃	-	-	
Neat	"150 ℃"			-





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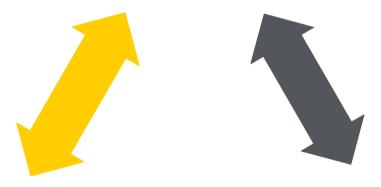
## SUMMARY: CHEMISTRY THAT MATTERS<sup>TM</sup> FOR SINGLE USE TECHNOLOGY



#### CHEMISTRY THAT MATTERS™ FOR SUT

#### **PROCESS**

- Sterilization (gamma), etc.
- Extrusion
- Injection molding



#### **POLYMER**

- Additives
- Physical properties



#### **END APPLICATION**

Properties (chemical/ E&L, mechanical)

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