# **DuPont Materials Solutions for** Medical & Healthcare

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## **Agenda**

- About DuPont
- DuPont Engineered Polymers Portfolio
- Healthcare market trends
- DuPont Solutions
- Application Examples





# DuPont brings solutions and technologies to an ever-changing world...

...enabled by leading brands, products, and technologies



## Mobility & Materials

We transform industries and improve lives through material science, delivering cuttingedge solutions and future technologies.



## Water & Protection

Our purpose is clear, we create water, shelter and safety solutions for a more sustainable world.



## **Electronics** & Industrial

Our industry-leading innovations, deep materials science expertise, and best-in-class manufacturing make next-generation technology a reality for our customers.



#### **How We Work**











Through continuous dialogue with our customers. By listening to and understanding their needs and ambitions, we're able to think innovatively to address future business needs.

Collaborative thinking means working in partnership with our customers to deliver innovative, targeted solutions. It's working together, sharing ideas and insight.

We build cutting-edge solutions and future technology. Creating ground-breaking product applications for our customers around the globe.



## Global capability. Local solutions.

#### **Innovation Centers**

Mainland China United States

Japan

Russia

Switzerland

Taiwan

Auburn Hills, MI Silicon Valley, CA

Wilmington, DE

#### **Major R&D Centers**

Canada

Mainland China

Japan

Korea

Switzerland

Taiwan

**United States** 

Wilmington, DE

Marlborough, MA

Midland, MI

Silicon Valley, CA

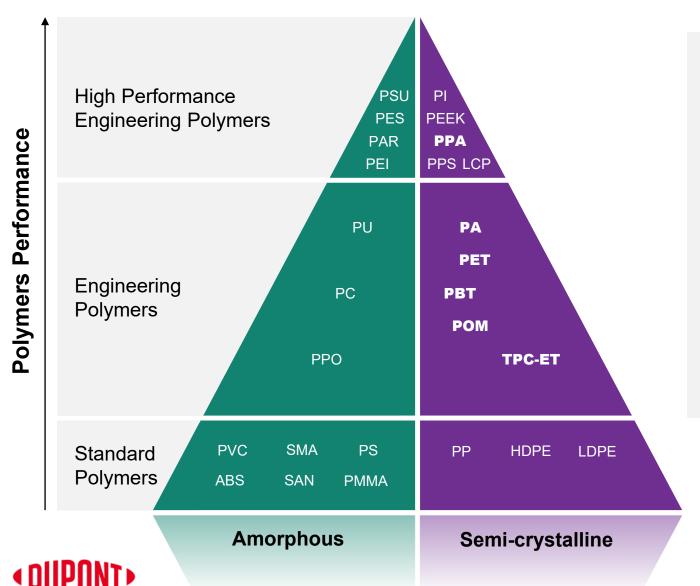


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## **DuPont's Engineering Polymers Portfolio**



**Zytel® HTN:** PPA and HPPA

Zytel® PLUS

**Zytel**® and Minlon®: Polyamides (PA6 and PA66)

**Zytel**<sup>®</sup> **LCPA**: Long Chain Polyamide

**Rynite**<sup>®</sup>: Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET)

**Crastin®**: Polybutylene Terephthalate (PBT)

**Delrin®**: Polyoxymethylene (POM)

**Hytrel**<sup>®</sup>: Thermoplastic Polyester Elastomer (TPC-ET)

**TPSiV**<sup>®</sup>: Thermoplastic Elastomer

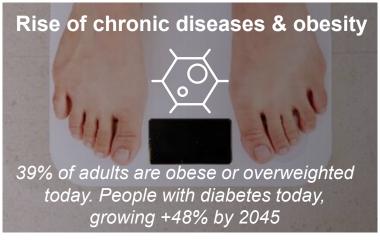
**Vamac**<sup>®</sup>: Ethylene Acrylic Elastomer

**Multiflex**®: Thermoplastic Elastomer

## **Addressing Megatrends**

From "Sick Care" to "Smart Well Care"













## We Can Help



Long-term
Commitment
to Healthcare
Industry



Improving Design Flexibility



**Enhancing Performance and Durability** 



Facilitating
Cost-effective
Manufacturing

Technical, processing, application and regulatory expertise dedicated to smart, safe and sustainable healthcare





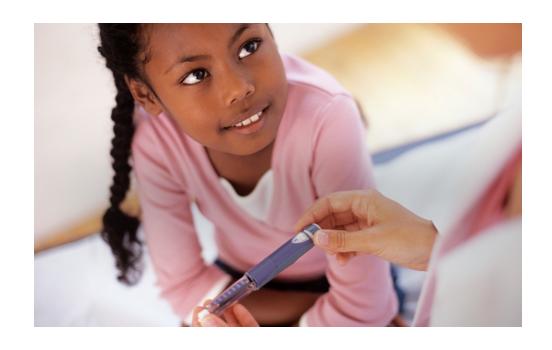
- >30 years serving healthcare industry
- Dedicated product lines (>10 years)
- Supporting regulatory documentation
- Manufacturing quality controls
- Security of supply

## **Long-term Commitment to Healthcare Industry**



#### **Regulatory support matrix**

	Standard	Special Control	Premium Control	
FDA (21CFR)	No	Yes	Yes	
EU Food	No	Yes*	Yes*	
USP VI	No	Yes	Yes	
ISO10993 (5 & 11)	No	Yes	Yes	
Manufacturing Control	Standard	GMP (food) = ISO 9001 + HACCP	GMP (food) = ISO 9001 + HACCP	
DMF and MAF	No	No	Yes	





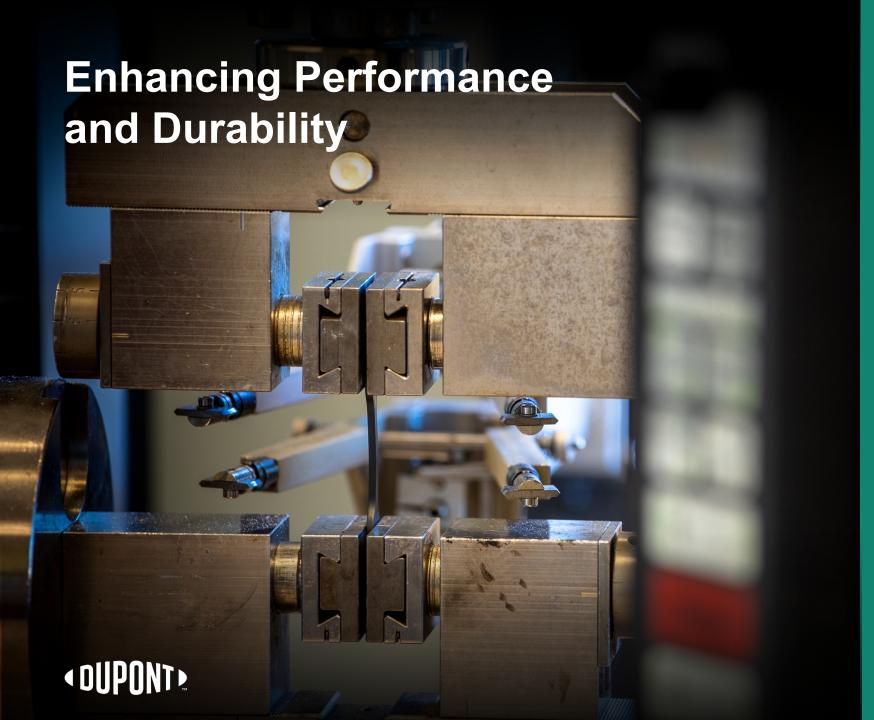
**Delrin® POM** 

**Hytrel® TPC-ET** 

Zytel® Nylon



<sup>\*</sup> Some Hytrel® grades may not have EU food contact statements





- Creep resistance
- Low friction
- Soft and flexible
- Chemical compatibility

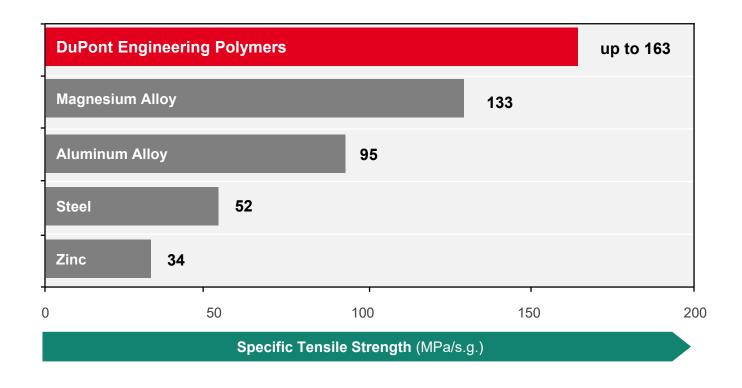


#### Weight reduction leads to:

- Easier processing & part handling
- Reduced shipping costs

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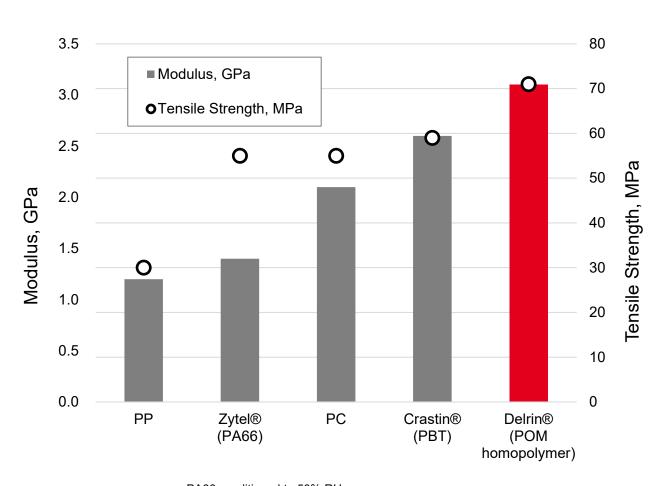
Take advantage of the outstanding strength of DuPont engineering polymers while reducing the density of your materials!







#### **Unreinforced properties**



#### Delrin® acetal homopolymer

The stiffest and strongest unreinforced engineering polymer on the market

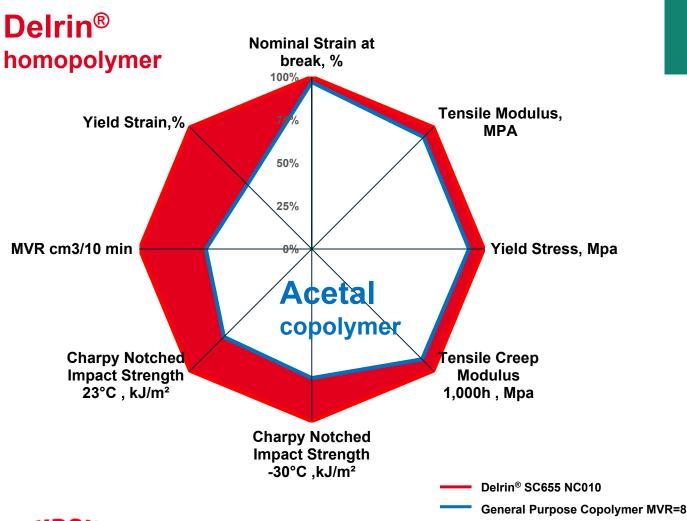


Image: LIMBS International



PA66 conditioned to 50% RH





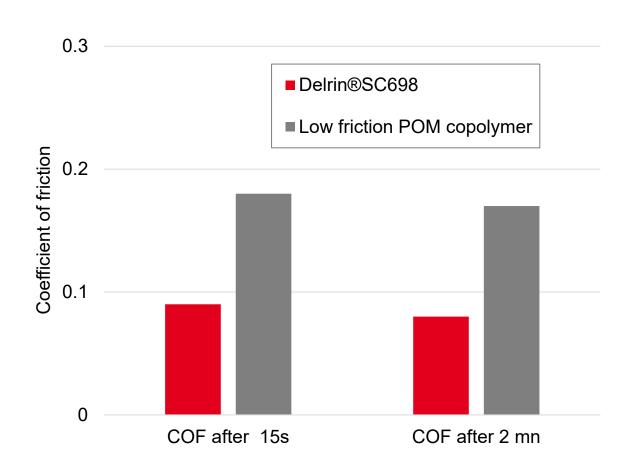
**Delrin® acetal homopolymer** offers superior properties with better flow

- Parts that can withstand higher loads
- Greater safety margins
- Extended device life times
- Lighter weight components
- Higher molding productivity



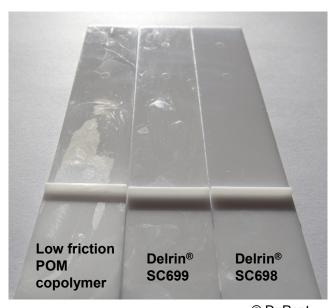


#### The need for low friction



#### Delrin® SC698

Delivering low friction for smooth and precise actuation of medical devices



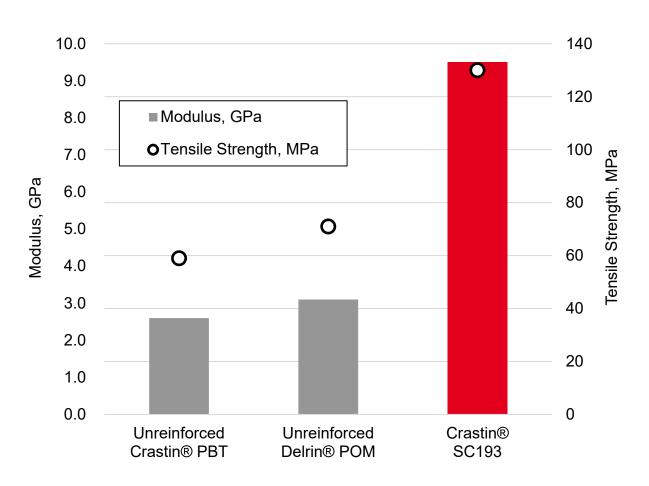
- Excellent wear/friction performance
- Lower energy costs
- Removes need for external lubrication
- Enhanced surface finish





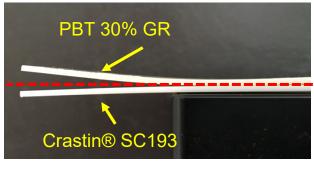


#### Improving strength and stiffness



#### Crastin® SC193

Combining high stiffness and creep resistance with enhanced low warpage



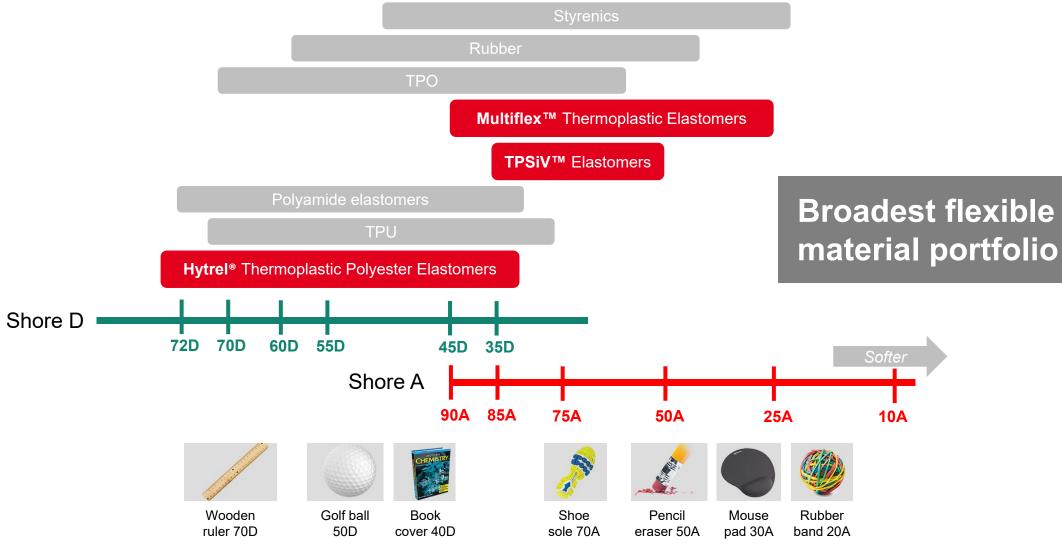
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- Expanded design freedom vs. metal
- Minimal deflection of loaded parts
- Dimensionally stable
- Attractive finish for visual components



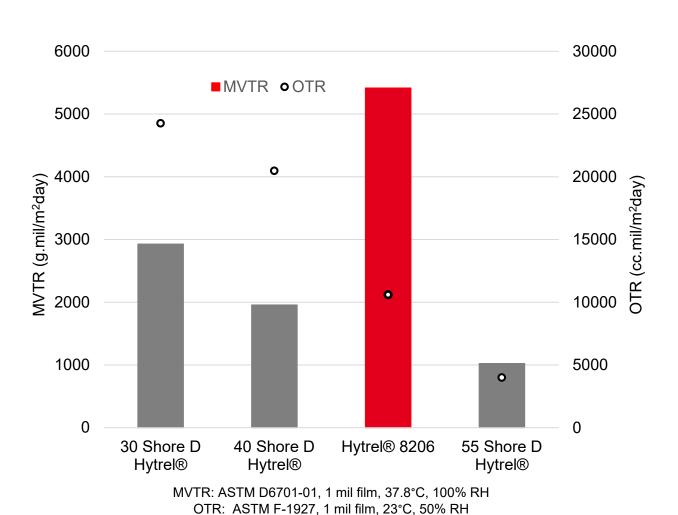
### **DuPont Flexible Solutions**











## Hytrel® TPC-ET

The flexibility of rubber with the strength and processability of thermoplastics



Films in Hytrel® can be processed in thin sections, offering versatile properties such as stretch recovery, tear resistance, clean cutting, chemical resistance & high breathability.







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Even when exposed to **alcohols, bleach, hydrogen peroxide** and quaternary ammonium compounds, our chemically resistant products offer reliable high performance – giving you and your customers peace of mind.

Zytel®, Hytrel®, Crastin® and Delrin® have been proven to resist a variety of harsh cleaning agents.

## Tensile strength after 96 hour exposure (>80% retention)





- 2.5% Bleach Solution
- 3% Peroxide Solution
- Ethanol
- Quaternary Ammonium Solution
- Clorox® Healthcare Bleach Spray
- Lysol<sup>®</sup> Mold and Mildew
- Sani-Hypercide® Spray
- Sani-Cloth® AF3 Wipes
- Virex® Tb







Solutions for nearly every **sterilization** method across single-use and multiple-use medical devices

Sterilization Process	Autoclave <25 cycles	Autoclave 25-100 cycles	Gamma 1 cycle	Ebeam 1 cycle	EtO 1 cycle
Zytel® PA66					
Zytel® PA612				1	
Delrin <sup>®</sup> POM					
Hytrel® TPC-ET	2	2			
Crastin® PBT	•				

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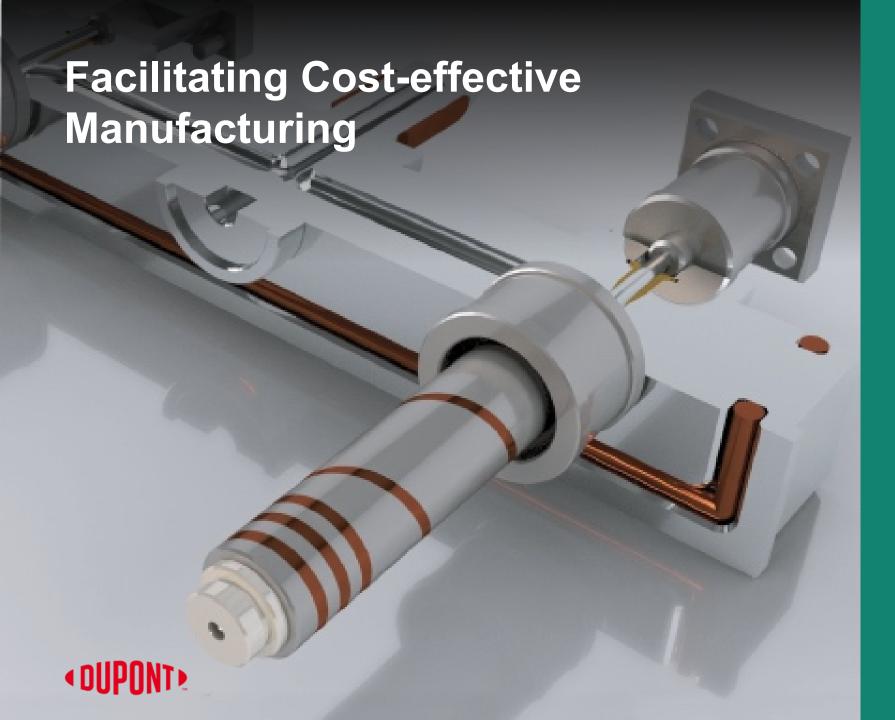
Limited

Not Recommended



<sup>2</sup> Softer Grades

<sup>\*</sup> Steam: Ultrasonic wash at 87°C + 3 min at 134°C, Gamma: 40 kGy, E-Beam: 50 kGy, ETO: 50°C, 2 hr exp





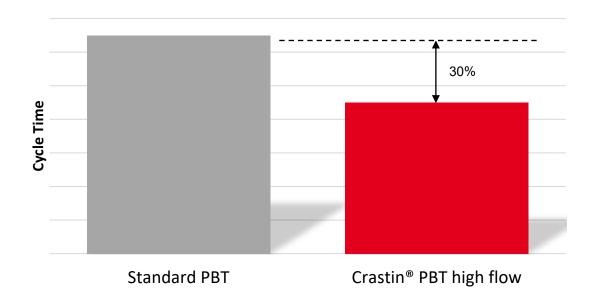
- Reduced downtime and lower reject rates
- Faster cycle times
- Optimized part design

## **Facilitating Cost-effective Manufacturing**



#### Fast Cycling

**30%** Reduction of cycle time with easier flow grades.





- Wider processing window
- Energy savings
- Longer tool life (lower filling pressure)

#### **Lower cost solution**

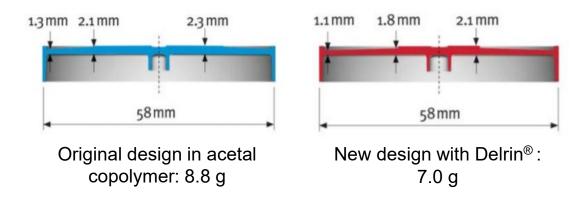


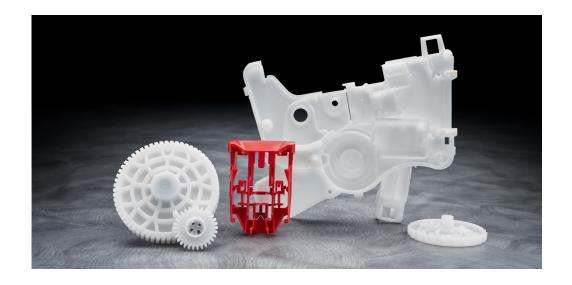
## **Facilitating Cost-effective Manufacturing**



#### **Optimized Design**

**20%** Reduction of part weight by re-design to fully benefit from superior mechanical properties.

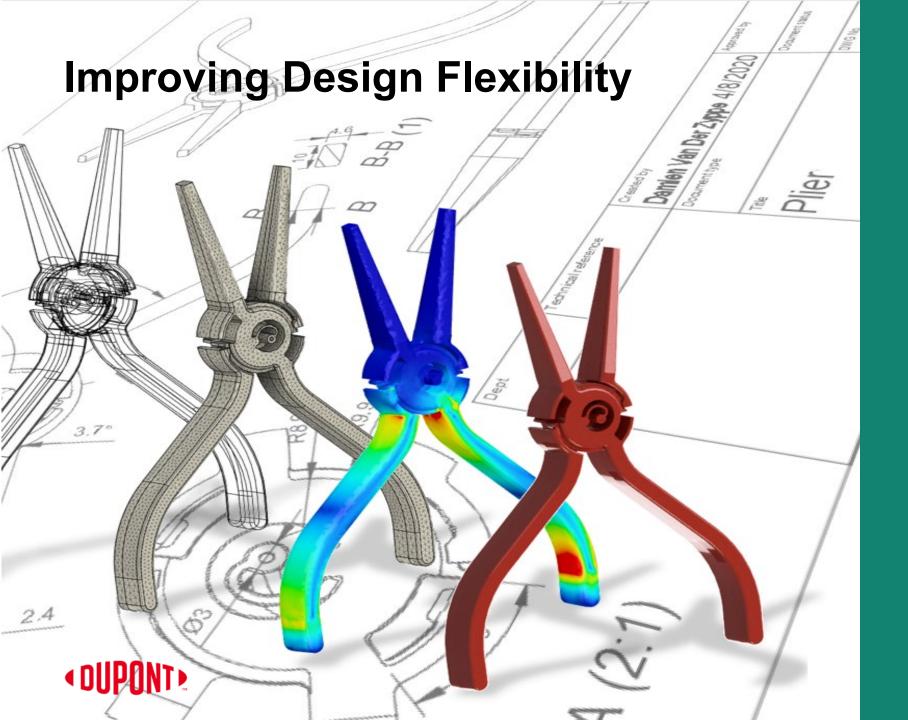


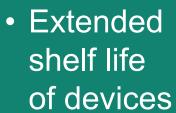


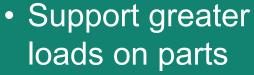
- Less material usage
- No compromise on performance
- Faster cycle times

#### **Lower cost solution**









 Consistent performance for reusable systems

## **Improving Design Flexibility**





Image: Niagara Prosthetics & Orthotics

**Hytrel**<sup>®</sup> **TPC-ET** is used in the Niagara Foot<sup>™</sup> prosthetic foot design. Its energy-return design relies on the stiff – yet flexible – properties of this specialty polymer

- Low flex fatigue and high stress resistance
- Ease of flow to fill and pack thick sections
- Range of hardnesses for comfort and durability



## **Improving Design Flexibility**

Spring loaded parts – case study

- Higher viscosity drugs = greater spring loads on components
- Need for enhanced creep resistance
- Supporting material data required to shorten development times
- Greater confidence in performance throughout product lifetime

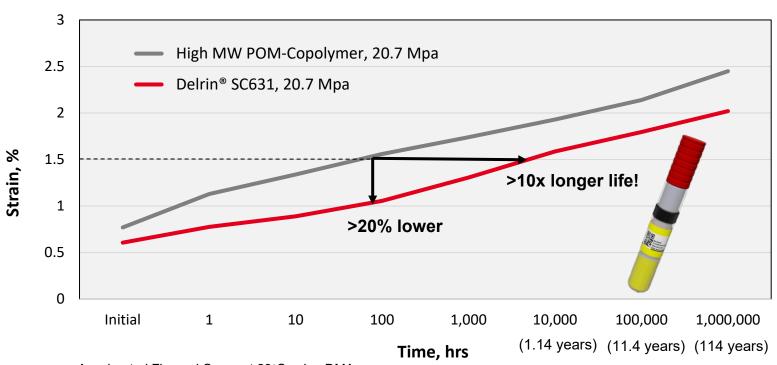


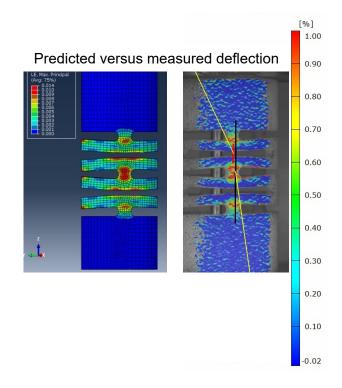


## **Improving Design Flexibility**



Spring loaded parts – case study

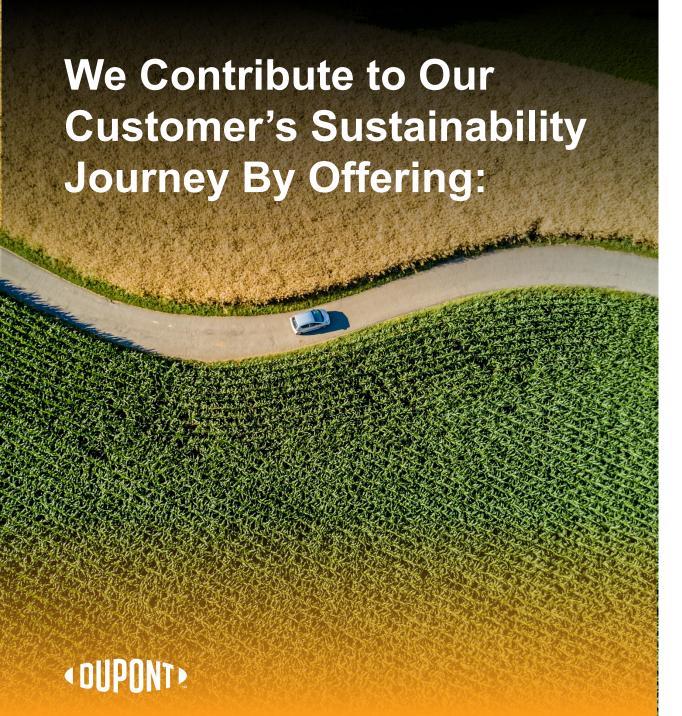




Accelerated Flexural Creep at 23°C using DMA. For reference purposes only.

**Delrin® acetal homopolymer** not only offers extended device lifetime performance but is supported with relevant, reliable and accurate test data to ensure the analysis is trustworthy







#### A broad portfolio of products

- Hazardous substance-free materials
- Materials that extend a product's serviceable lifetime
- Significant reduction in weight or friction
- Materials that help to deliver a lower or carbon neutral footprint
- Recycled based materials
- Bio-based high performance materials

#### And world-class customer services:

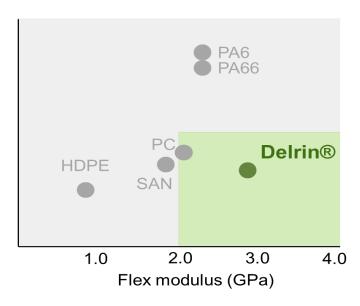
- Application development and CAE support that enables design for sustainability
- Molding process support to reduce waste/scraps
- Product stewardship that ensures product safety and data transparency

## Delrin® Advancing Sustainability

Favorable eco-profile compared to other resins



GHG emission [KgCO<sub>2</sub> eq]



## **Balance**

Demanding technical requirements and environmental impact

## Save CO<sub>2</sub>

And fossil resources when using Delrin® versus other resins.



Indicative comparison using cradle-to-gate data from PlasticsEurope. Average tensile modulus of non-reinforced resins, extracted from public database (Campus)

Delrin<sup>®</sup> produces substantially less CO<sub>2</sub> and uses less non-renewable energy during production, maintaining outstanding mechanical properties.

When Delrin® is produced instead of PA6, at the production gate:



Less CO<sub>2</sub> is emitted in the atmosphere



Less fossil resources are used



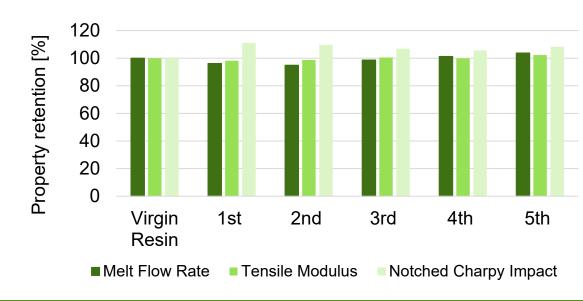
## An ideal solution for circular economy

Sustainable Solutions

100%

Mechanical properties retention after 5 passes of 100% regrind

Unique ability to reveal process window limits.



## Reduce

Your material in use and your waste

## Increase

Your internal recycling of material, with financial and environmental benefits



For a Delrin<sup>®</sup> consumption of 1000 ton/year, when a 20% regrind is introduced, you save\*:

640 ton CO<sub>2</sub>/year

Recycling **220 ton** of waste instead of landfilling



Taking out of the road **135 cars** for 1 year



Planting ~2.6 km² of forest



\* Estimated from PlasticsEurope EPD for POM

## Healthcare Solutions by Application



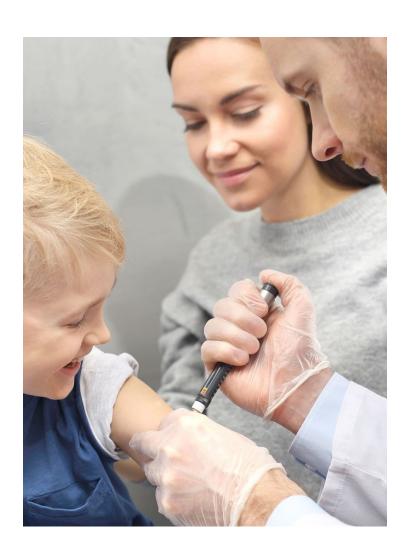
## **Drug Delivery Devices**

**Zytel**® for lead screws, plungers and bearings

Crastin® for casings, counter dials and running surfaces

**Delrin**® for gears, spring loaded parts and clip features

Hytrel® for seals and dampening parts



- Reliable performance across broad temperature range (cold chain storage)
- Drop test resistant
- User experience through haptics
- Reliable activation force
- Metered dosing
- Form, Fit, and Function with other components
- Safety/tamper resistant to prevent accidental mis-fires



## **Medical and Surgical Equipment**

**Crastin®**, **Delrin®** and **Zytel®** for clamps, connectors, retractors, gears, bearings, casings, triggers and containers

#### **Benefits include:**

- Ergonomics through rigid lightweight designs
- Reliable function and activation forces
- Functionality through low noise moving components
- Form, Fit, and Function with other components
- Safety/tamper resistant features to prevent accidental activation







Hytrel® for covers, grip handles, tubing, gowns and advanced wound care

- Comfort through lightweight breathability and moisture-wicking
- Protection from environment (bloodborne pathogens, etc.)
- Flexible, puncture and tear resistant.
- High productivity through processability and output
- Material compatibility allows for multilayer structures and connectors/fittings



## Wearable Technology

Crastin® and Delrin® for applicators, gear systems and housings

Hytrel® for fixtures, casings and clips

**TPSiV**® for fitness straps and earbuds









- Reliable application force
- Lightweight
- Functional microcomponents
- Dependable metered dosing
- Low noise
- User experience through haptics
- Extended wear times/reduced skin sensitization



#### **Prosthetics and Patient Assistance**

Hytrel® for seals and dampening parts

**Delrin**® and **Zytel**® for feet, elbows, knees, and hands

**TPSiV**<sup>®</sup> for straps



- Natural range of motion for millions of cycles (running, walking, jumping, kneeling, etc.)
- Low noise during movement
- Lightweight, durable, and load bearing
- Waterproof and cleanable
- Aesthetic appearance through design and processing
- Extended wear times/reduced skin sensitization



## We Can Help



#### **Long-term Commitment to Healthcare Industry**

Our dedicated medical grades portfolio, regulatory compliance support, GMP and long-term supply guarantee make DuPont a trusted global leader in the healthcare industry



#### **Enhancing Performance and Durability**

Our specialty medical grades bring the benefits of dimensional stability, superior mechanical properties, long term creep/fatigue endurance and sterilization resistance



#### **Facilitating Cost-effective Manufacturing**

Our high flow resins enable multicavity tooling, fast cycle production and minimal downtime for thin wall medical parts



#### **Improving Design Flexibility**

Broad solutions ranging from high stiffness polymers to flexible elastomers enable next-generation innovations that enhance the patient experience

Technical, processing, application and regulatory expertise dedicated to smart, safe and sustainable healthcare



## Questions?





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