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# Recycling solutions to improve sustainability of engineering plastics

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**SK functional polymer**



# SK Group Overview

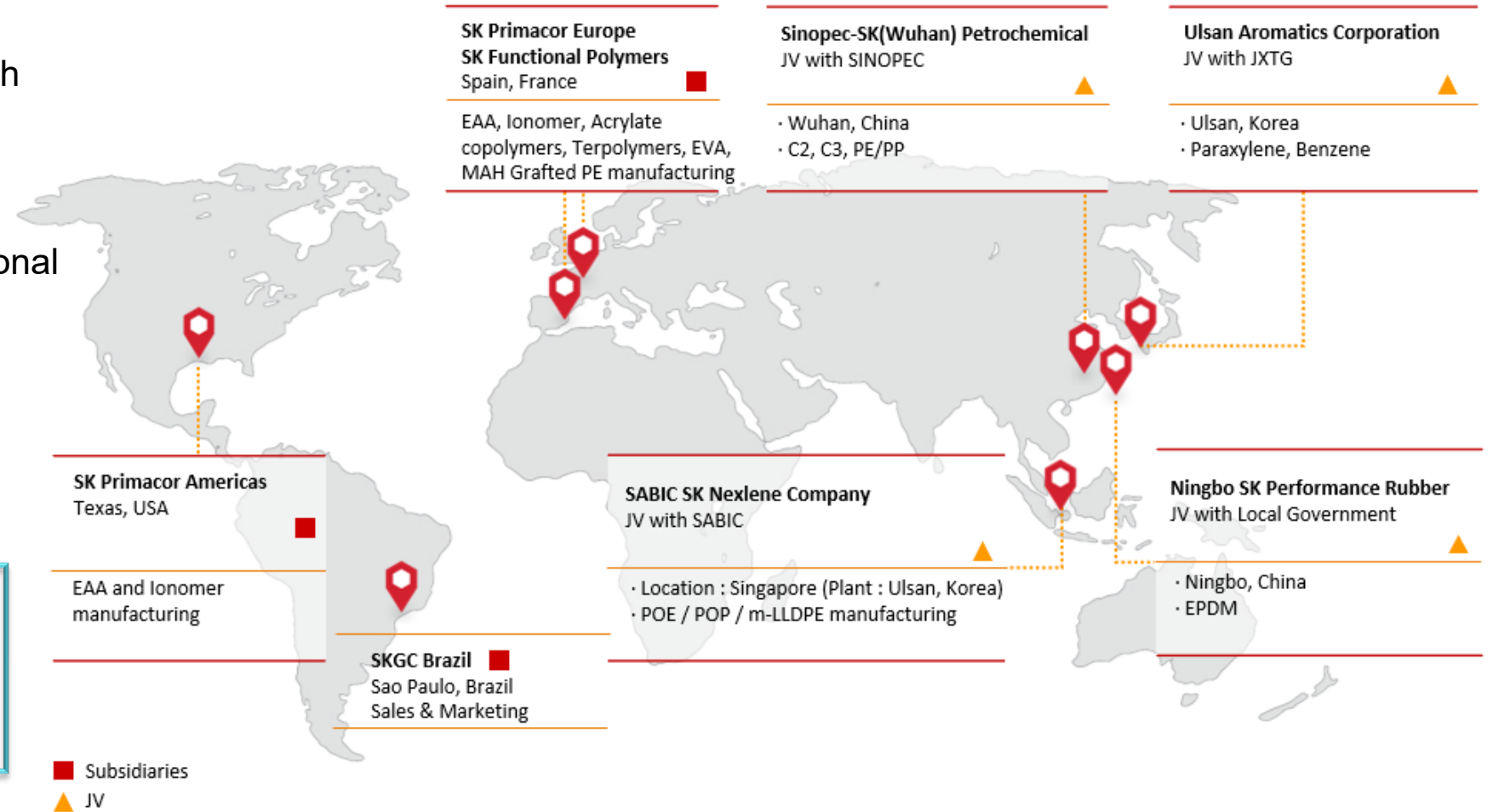
## SK Group (SK)

- Global company
- Annual revenue >\$100 billion
- Headquartered in South Korea
- Driving ahead in Green, New Tech Materials, Bioscience and Digitalization
- 12 divisions where SK innovation holds SK geo centric & SK functional polymer

## SK Functional Polymer

- Production in Europe

- **LOTRYL<sup>®</sup>** (EA)
- **LOTADER<sup>®</sup>** (Terpolymer)
- **OREVAC<sup>®</sup>** (MAH-G)
- **EVATANE<sup>®</sup>** (VA)



# SK functional polymer products

LOTADER® T  
LOTADER®

Ethylene – Alkyl Acrylate – Maleic Anhydride (MAH)

Ethylene – Alkyl Acrylate – Glycidyl Methacrylate (GMA)

Ethylene – Vinyl Acetate – Maleic Anhydride (MAH)



Reactive  
Terpolymers

LOTRYL® T  
LOTRYL®  
EVATANE®

Ethylene – Methyl or Butyl acrylate

Ethylene – Vinyl Acetate



Ethylene  
Copolymers

OREVAC®

MAH – Grafted | PE  
PP  
EVA



Grafted  
Polyolefins

LOTRYL BESTPEEL®

Ethylene – Vinyl Acetate (EVA)

Ethylene – Methyl Acrylate (EMA)

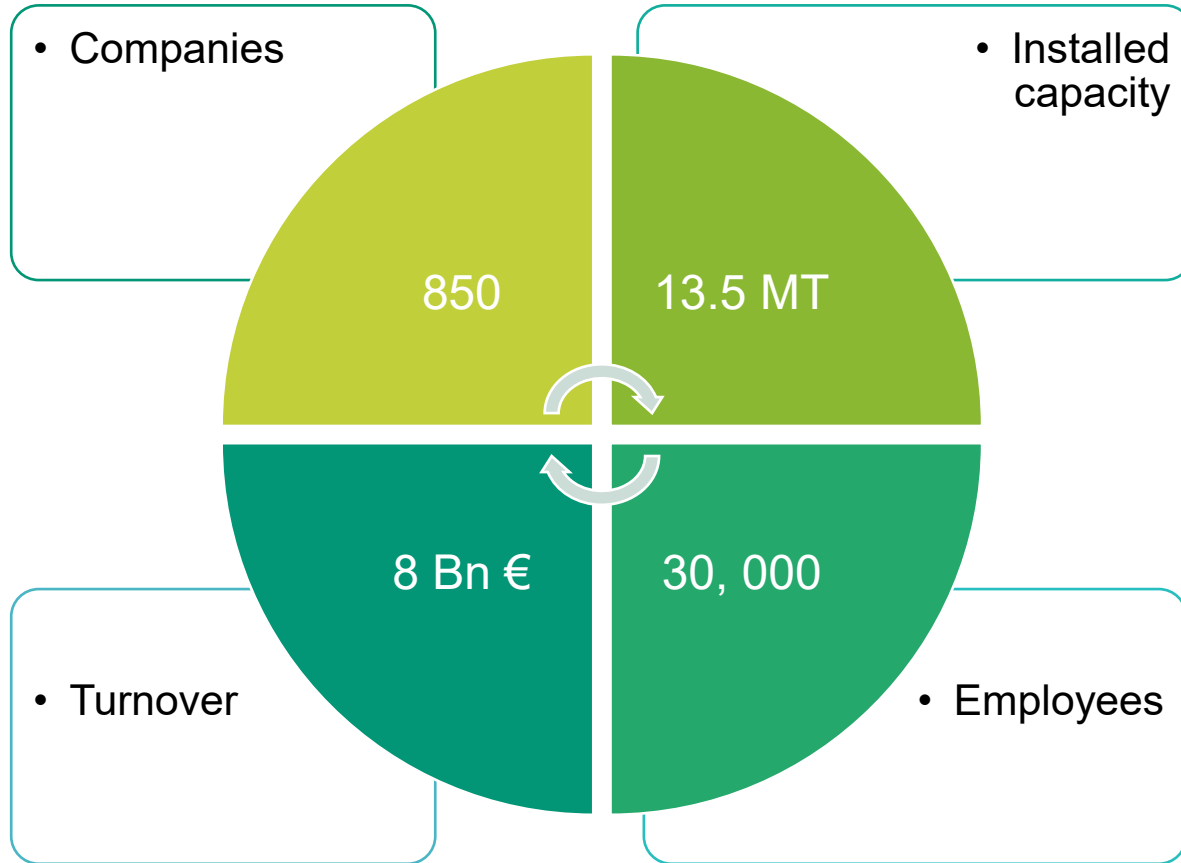


Easy Peel

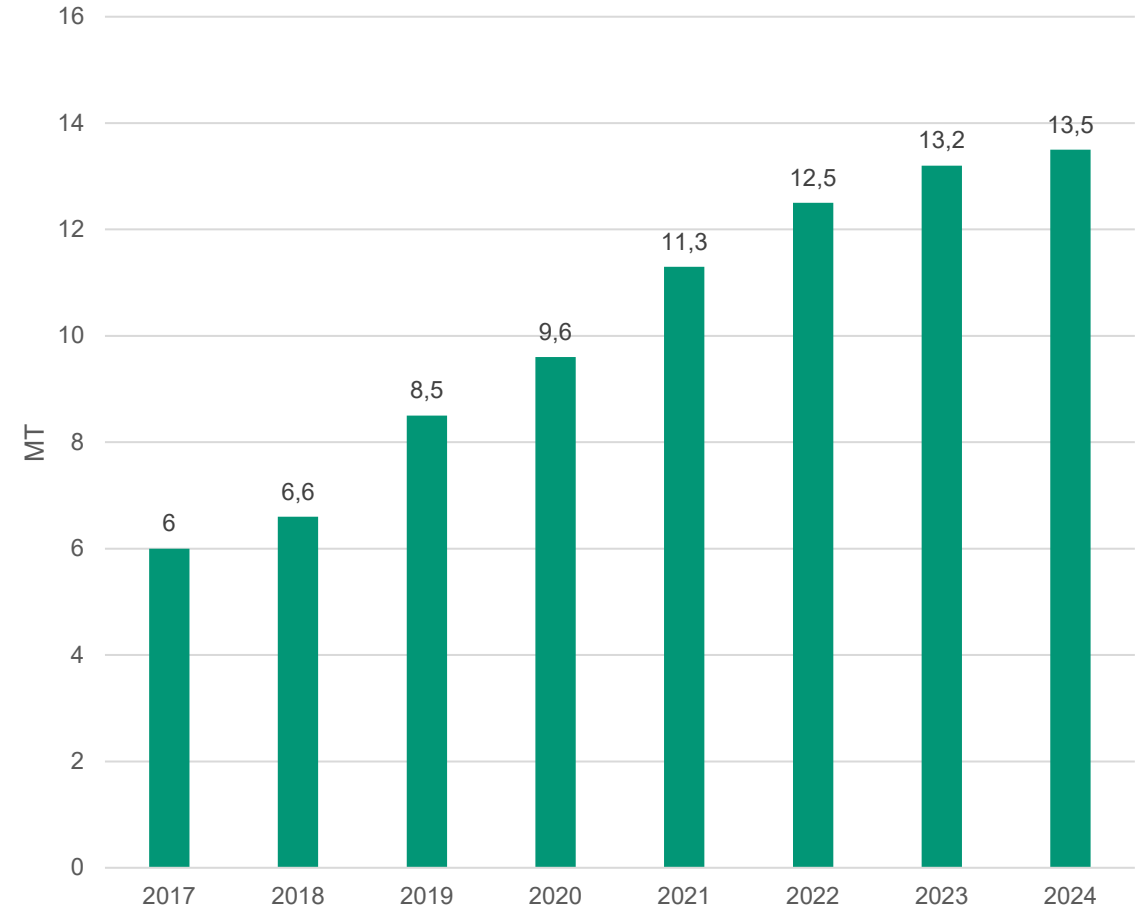
High Pressure Polymerization

Reactive extrusion

# European recyclers situation



Sources: Plastic recyclers Europe



Sources: Eurostat, Total Production [DS-056121]

# Why mechanical recycling needs performance boosters?

- **Plastics degradation during the lifetime of a product**

- Exposition to chemicals or fuel
- UV degradation
- Temperature degradation
- Mechanical strain
- Pollution/contamination



- **Collection**

- Recycled plastic often are blends of compatible resins with different performance
- Poor performance plastic affects the performance of good performing ones



- **Sorting**

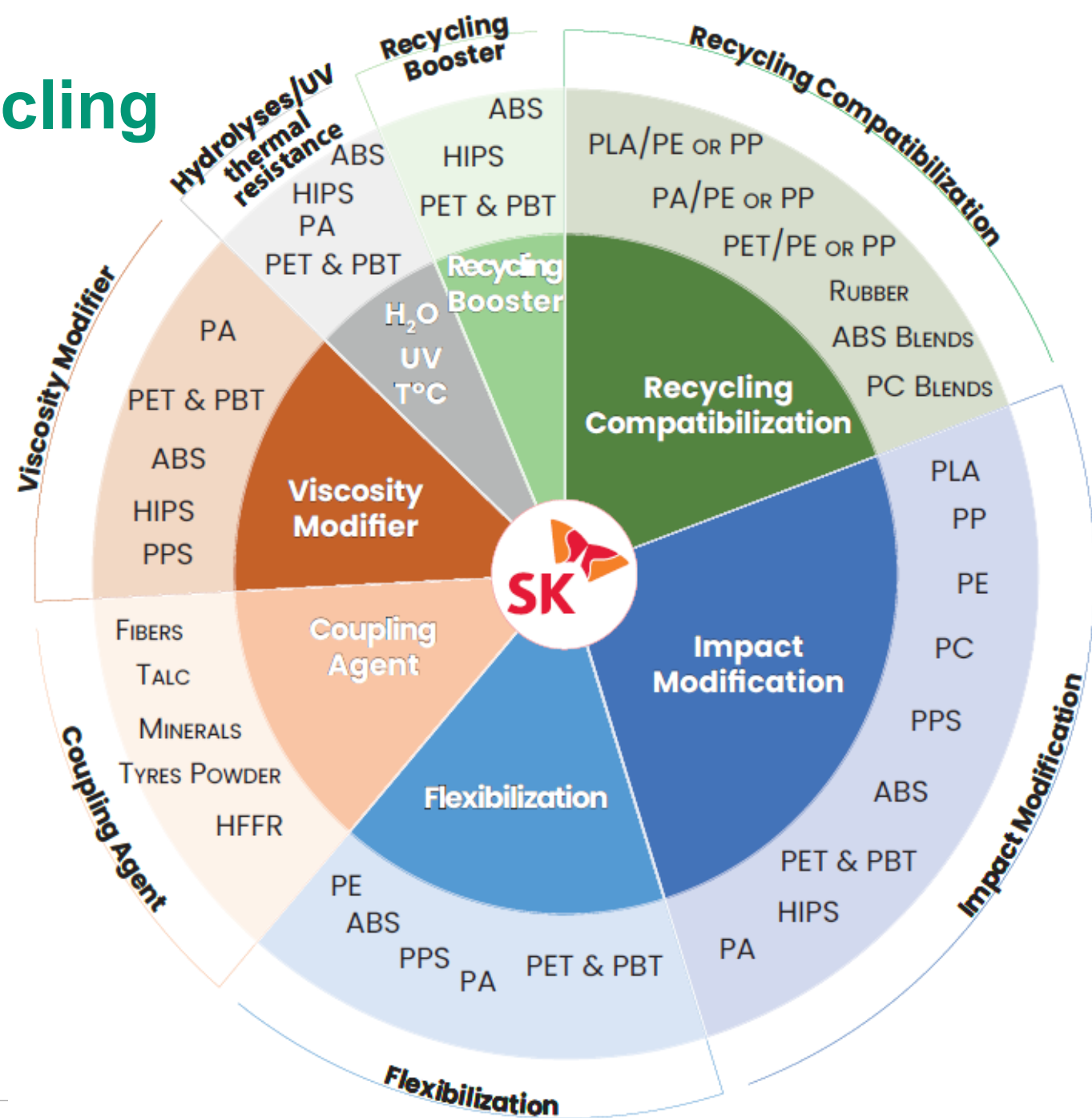
- Sorting not 100% effective, ends up with contaminants in recycled feedstock

- **Reprocessing**

- Degradation due to shear, temperature, moisture, UV



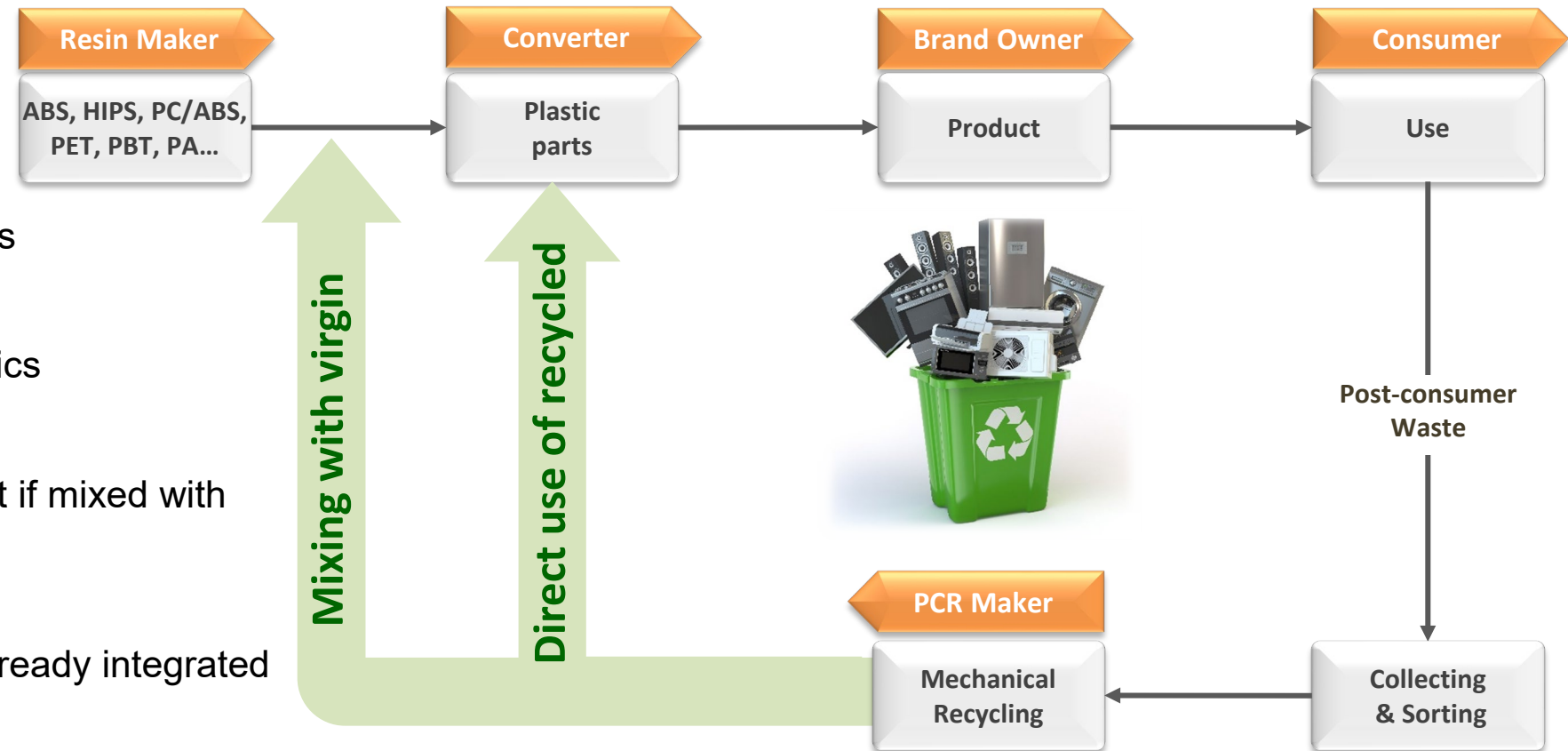
# SKFP : solutions for Recycling



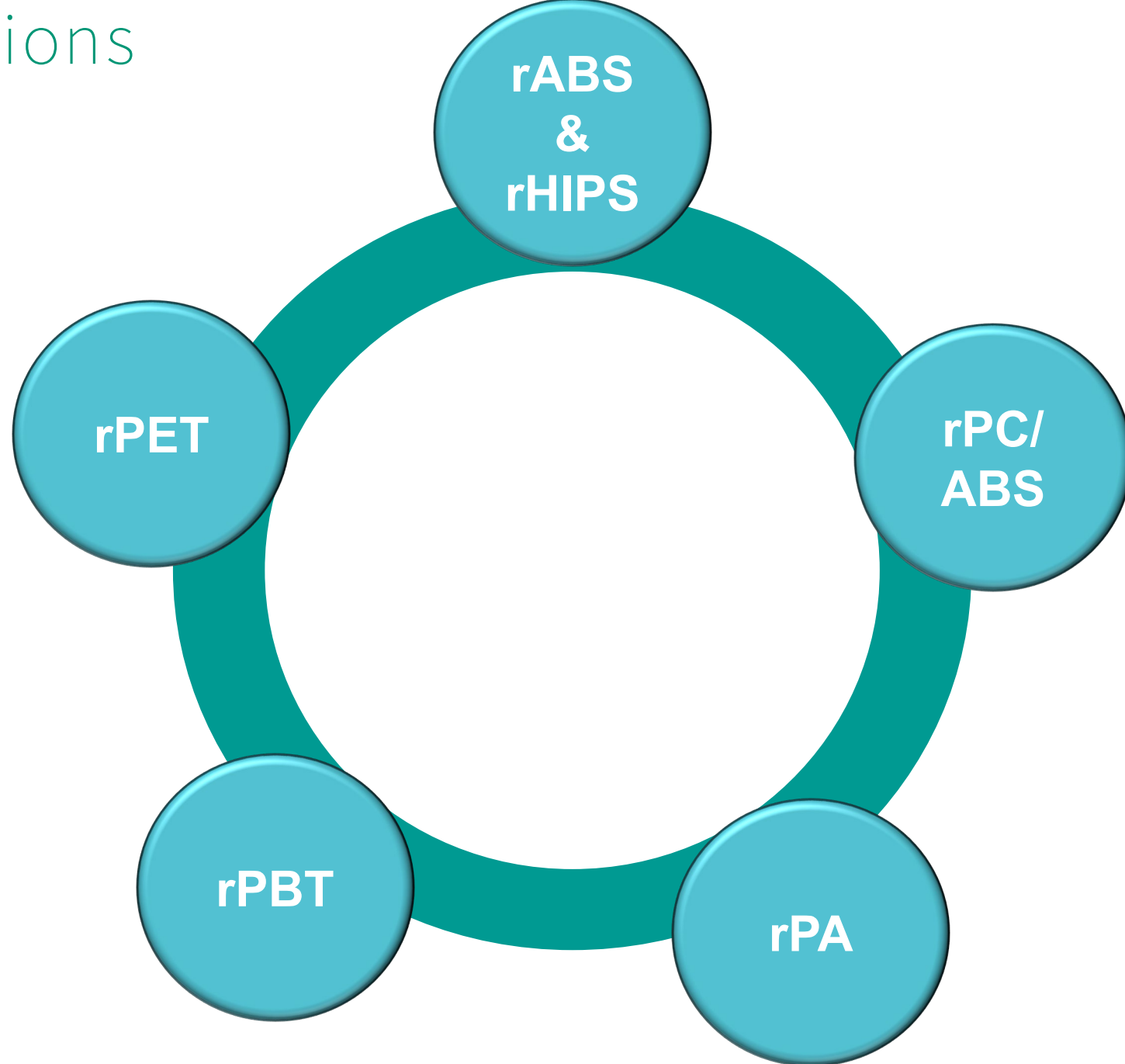
# SKFP solutions for plastics recycled

→ **LOTRYL®**, **LOTADER®**, **OREVAC®** : performance booster of recycled plastics

- Properties improvement of products
- Efficient up to 100% recycled plastics
- Allows increase of recycled content if mixed with virgin for specific applications
- End applications: where virgin is already integrated



# SKFP solutions



# rABS, rHIPS, rPC/ABS market

rABS  
&  
rHIPS

## Impact modification

- Lotryl® 29MA03T & 40MA05T

## Viscosity modification

- Lotader® AX8900 (more viscous) & Lotryl® 28BA700T (more fluid)

## Thermal Aging performances (90°C over 1000h)

### • Mechanical properties:

- Lotryl® 29MA03T & 40MA05T (Room temperature)
- Lotryl®/Lotader® Blend at (-30°C)

### • Optical properties:

- Higher gloss retention: Lotryl® 40MA05T
- Matting effect : Lotader®/Lotryl® blend

## UV aging performances (UV exposure over 1000h)

- Maintaining the glossy properties : Lotryl® 40MA05T
- Matting effect : Lotader® AX8900 or Lotader®/Lotryl® blend

## Chemical resistance

- Lotryl® 29MA03T and 40MA05T

# rABS, rHIPS, rPC/ABS market

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rHIPS

**Improve recyclability over many cycles Vs competitive technology**

- Lotryl® 29MA03T & 40MA05T and Lotader® blend

**Maintain thermal properties : Vicat and Hdt not affected**

- Lotryl® 29MA03T & 40MA05T

**Low loading additives with High performances**

- 3-5% wt loading

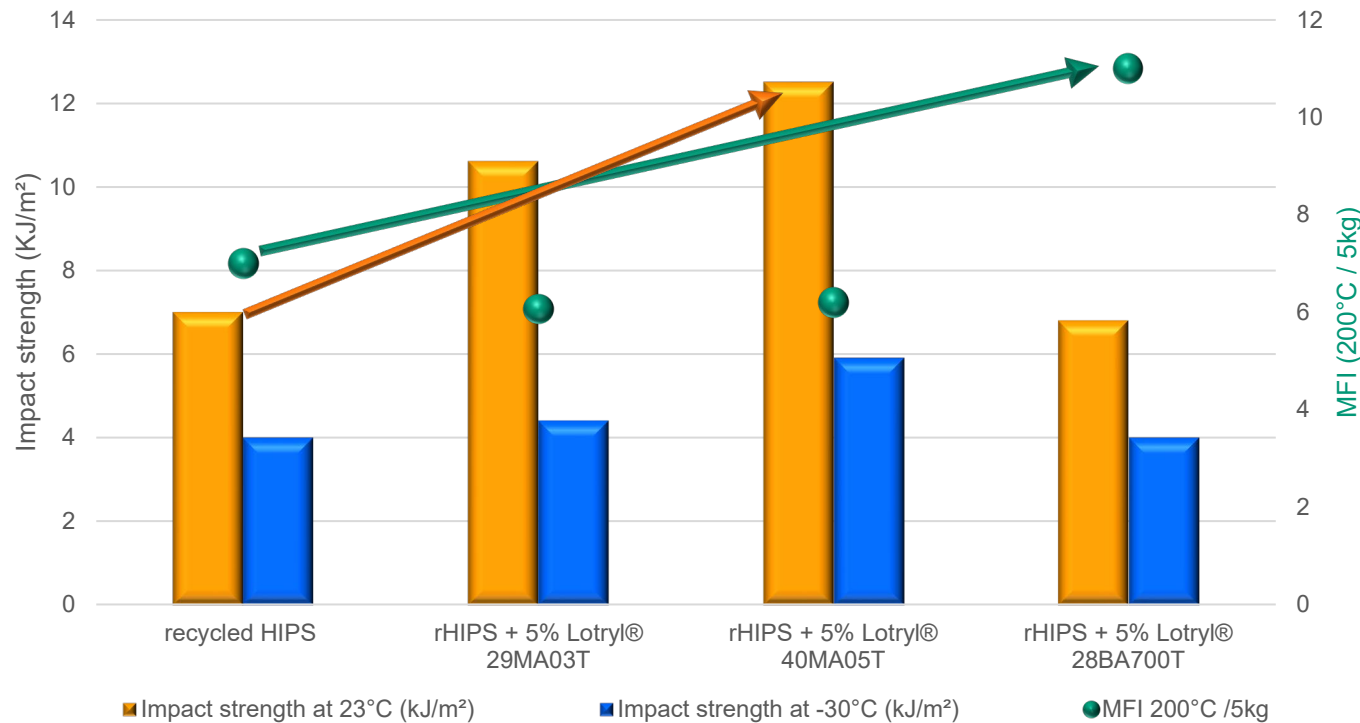
**Performing in nearly all styrenic compound**

- ABS & rABS
- HIPS & rHIPS
- PC/ABS and rPC/ABS

# rHIPS: Impact & Fluidification

- Impact strength modifiers:
  - **Lotryl® 29MA03T & Lotryl® 40MA05T** increase the impact strength at room and cold temperature
- Viscosity modifiers:
  - **Lotryl® 28BA700T** decreases the viscosity

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Low MFI value = Viscosity modifier  
High MFI value = Flowability modifier

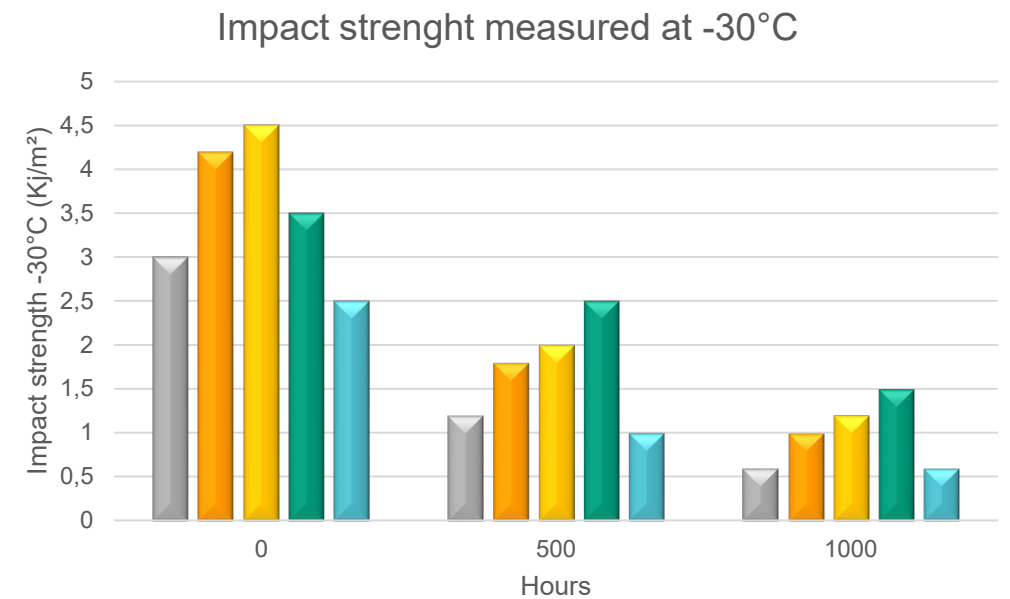
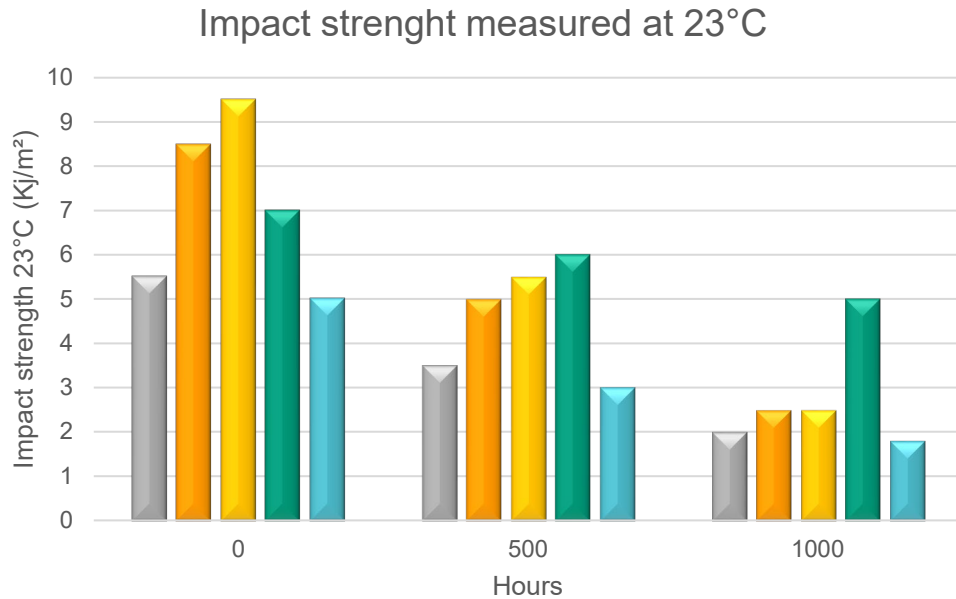
- Performance of (**Lotryl® 29MA03T & 40MA05T/Lotryl® 28BA700T**) blend bring rHIPS properties close to the ones of virgin HIPS

# rHIPS after 1000 hours under 90°C exposure

## Impact modification



- **Lotryl® 29MA03T, Lotryl® 40MA05T or the blend Lotryl® / Lotader® AX8900** boost the mechanical performance of rHIPS over the time while other technologies are not stable.
- At room temperature, **Lotryl®** or the blend **Lotryl® /Lotader®** outperformed.
- At -30°C, the blend **Lotryl® /Lotader®** seems to be the best option.



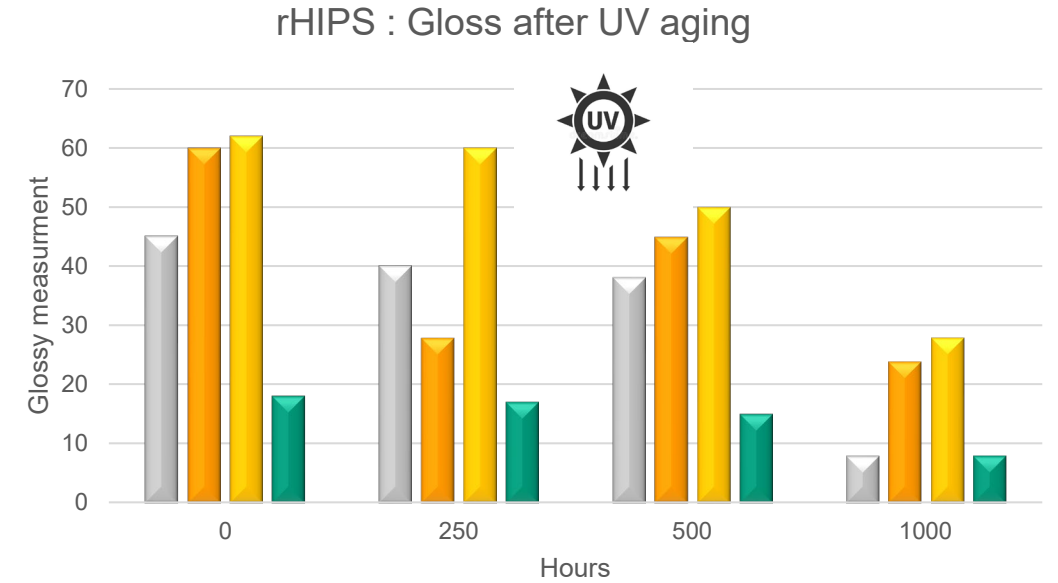
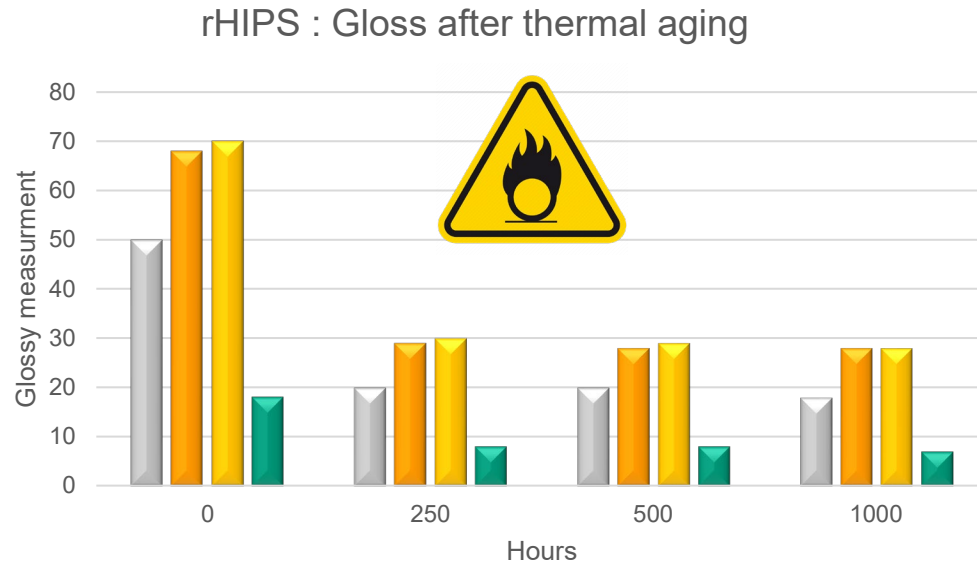
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■ 5% Lotryl 40MA05T  
■ 3% Lotryl 40MA05T + 3% Lotader AX8900  
■ 5% Lotryl 28BA700T

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# Gloss retention after thermal and UV exposure (1000 h)

- Evaluation of the glossy properties under UV and thermal (90°C) exposure for 1000 hours



■ rHIPS ■ 5% Lotryl 29MA03T ■ 5% Lotryl 40MA05T ■ 3% Lotryl 40MA05T + 3% Lotader AX8900

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## Conclusions :

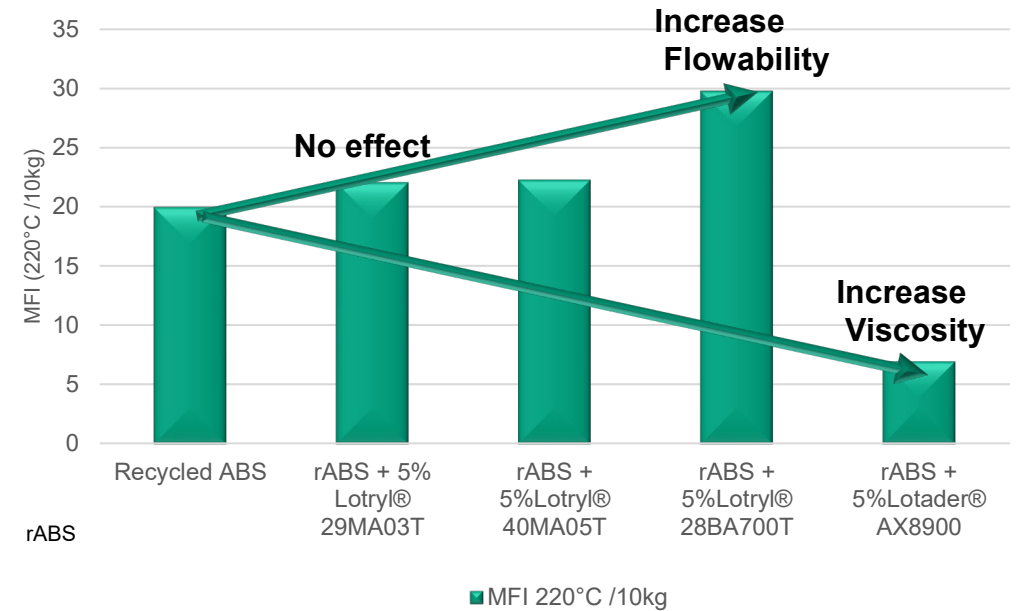
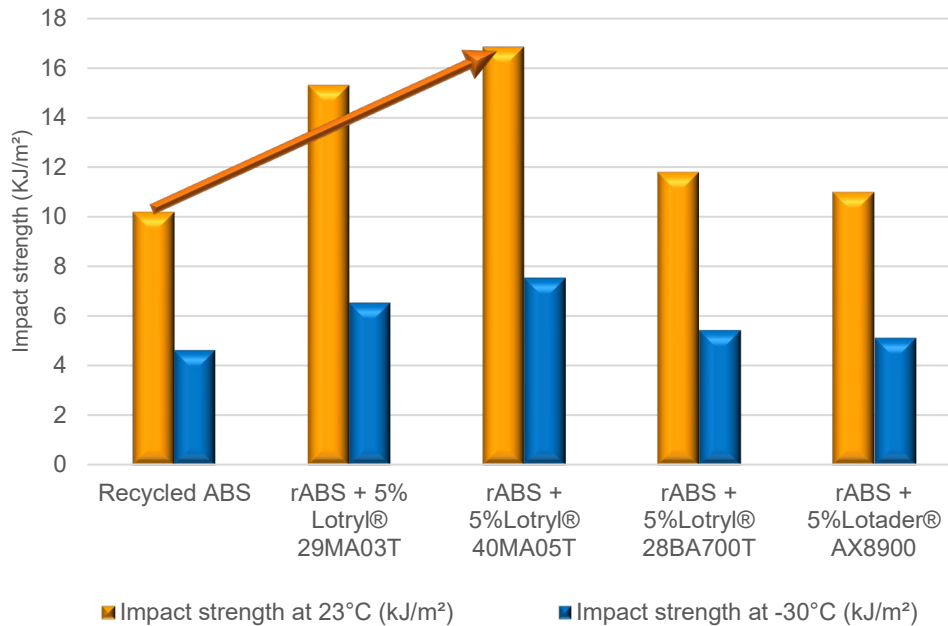
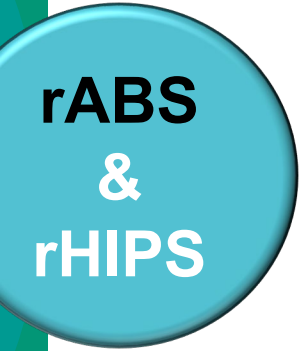
- After UV aging, **Lotryl**® can maintain high gloss longer.
- Under Thermal condition, **Lotryl**® improves the gloss Vs rABS without additive
- At the opposite, **Lotader**® makes rHIPS more matt.

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rHIPS

# rABS solutions

## Impact / Viscosity modification

- Impact strength modifiers:
  - Lotryl® 29MA03T** & **Lotryl® 40MA05T** increases the impact strength at room and cold temperature
- Viscosity modifiers:
  - Lotryl® 28BA700T** decreases the viscosity
  - Lotader® AX8900** increases it

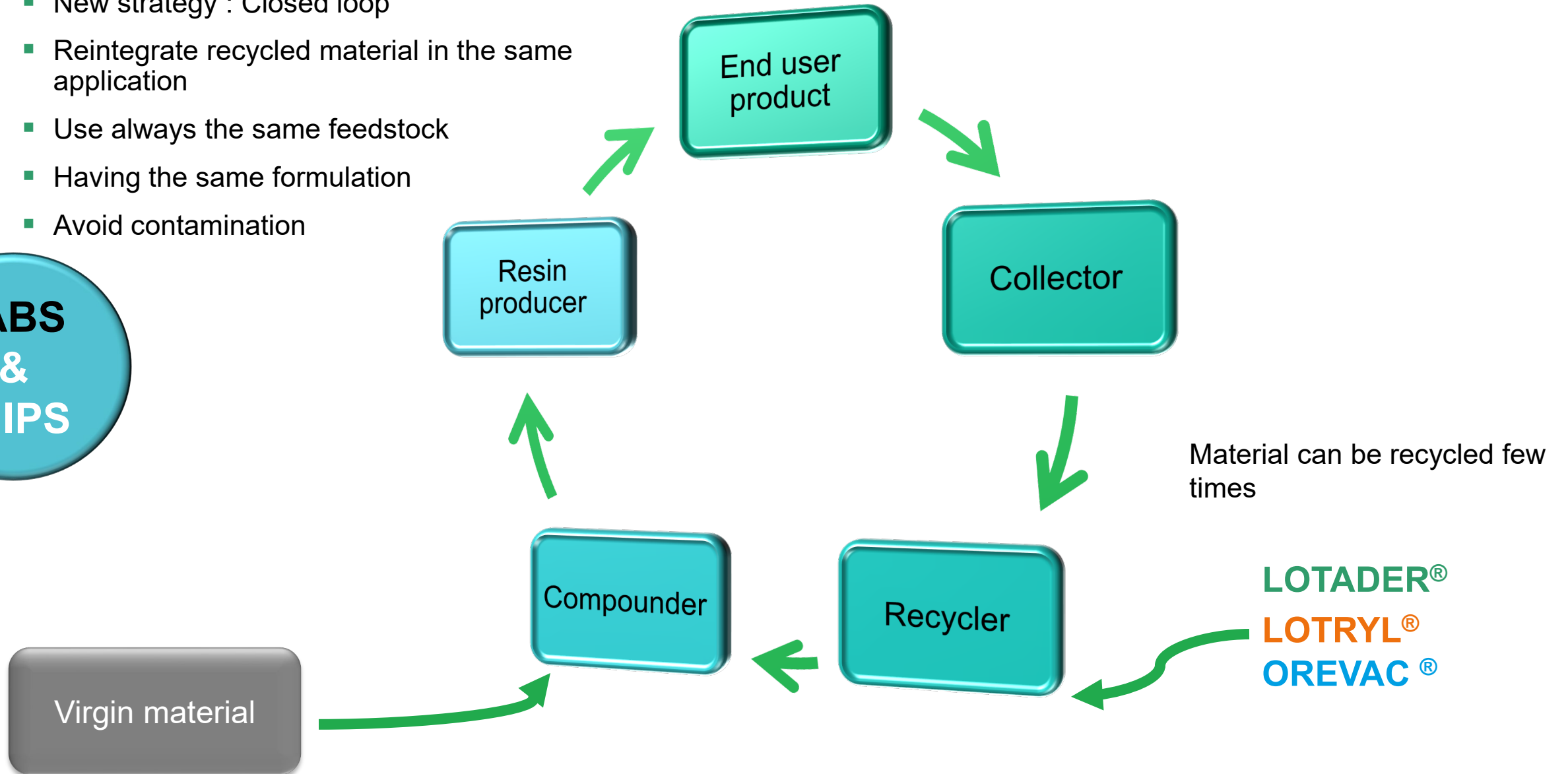


- Performance of the blend **Lotryl® 29MA03T** or **Lotryl® 40MA05T** with rABS is similar than with virgin ABS
- Allows increase of rABS content in virgin ABS for specific applications (done with 50 and 70% rABS)

# rABS closed recycling loop

- New strategy : Closed loop
- Reintegrate recycled material in the same application
- Use always the same feedstock
- Having the same formulation
- Avoid contamination

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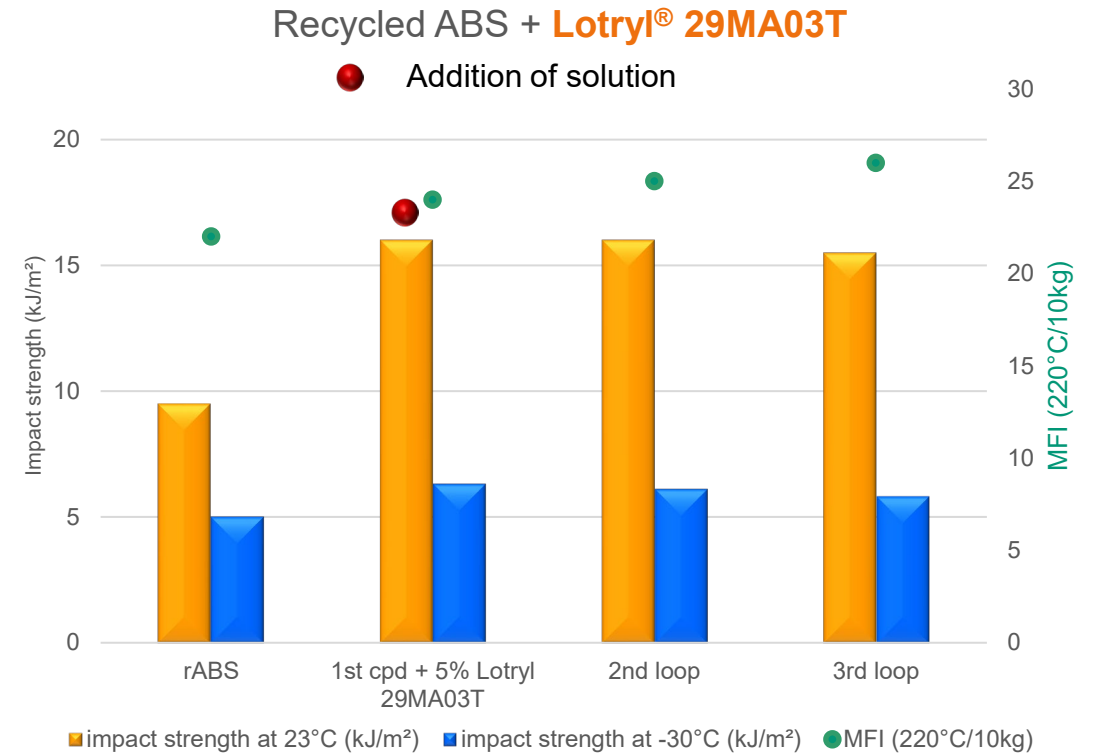
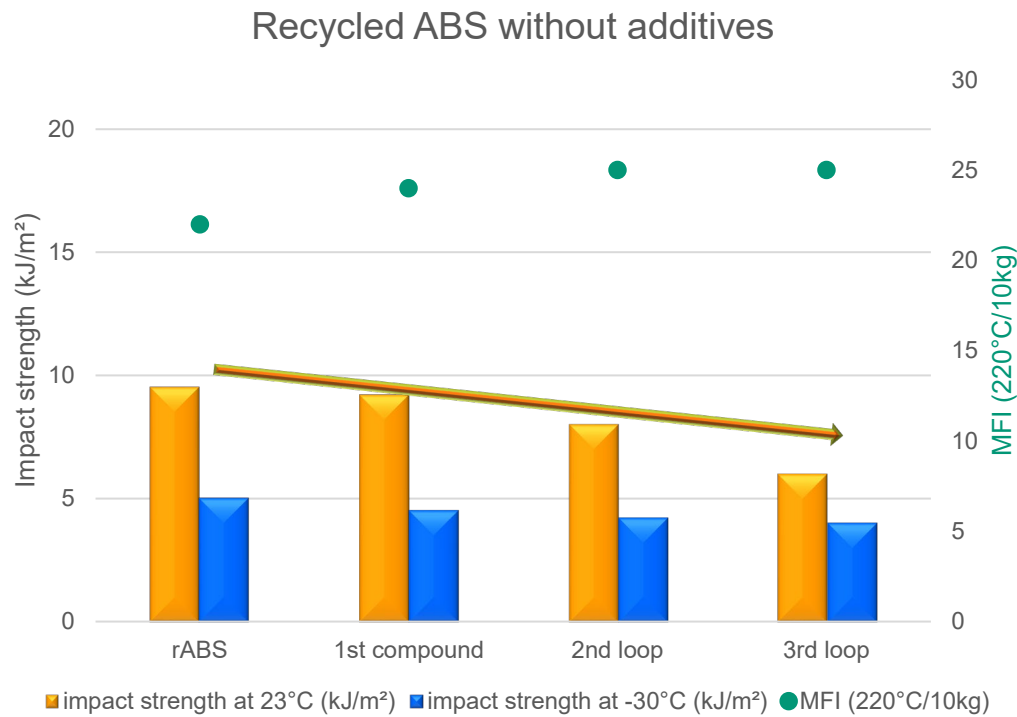


# rABS Multi cycle of recycled process

## Impact / viscosity evaluation

- rABS without additives lose their mechanical performance after few loops of compounding
- When **Lotryl® 29MA03T** is added to rABS, it maintain good properties after few loops

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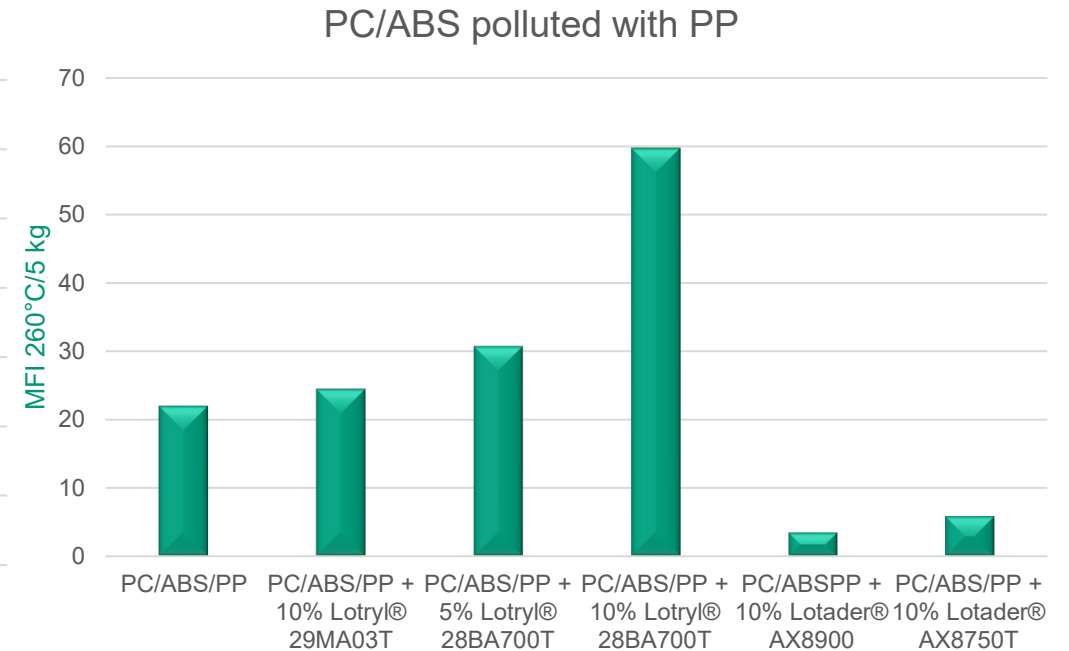
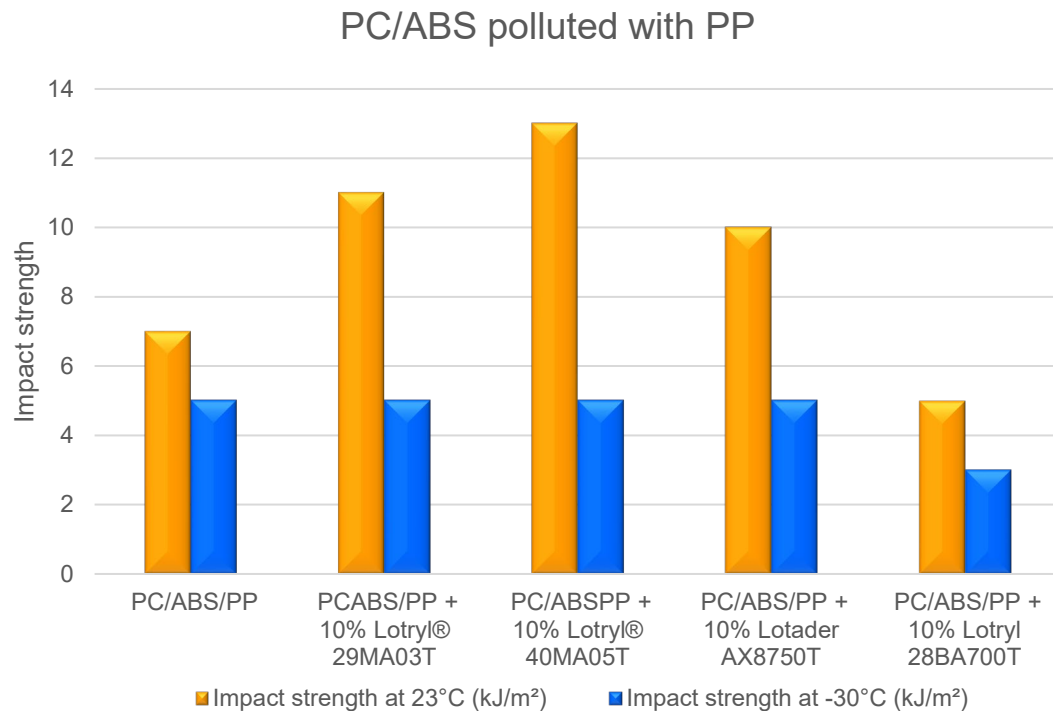
- The first challenge is to maintain the high properties when SKFP solutions is integrated into recycled feedstock.
- Lotryl helps to maintain toughness (more than 80% impact strength)

# Lotryl® T copolymers in PC/ABS alloys

## Impact / rheology modification

### Compatibilization enhancement

- Toughness improvement obtained with only 5-10% of **Lotryl® 29MA03T**, **Lotryl® 40MA05T**
- Viscosity is not impacted with PC/ABS/ **Lotryl® 29MA03T**, **Lotryl® 40MA05T** (5-10%)
- Rheology modification in PC/ABS with **Lotryl® 28BA700T**, **Lotader® AX8750T**, **Lotader® AX8900** (5-10%)



Thanks to its high polarity, **Lotryl®** can be used in ABS and PC/ABS as a general-purpose toughener

# SKFP additives for rPA compounds (rPA/PE, rPA/PP, ...)

## PA/PP tubing in automotive

Because of their non-compatibility, when PA is polluted with PP, mechanical properties such as impact strength or viscosity don't allow the material to have high value

### SKFP solutions:

- rPA not homogeneous : **Orevac**<sup>®</sup> for **compatibilization**
- rPA brittle at -20° C as at room temperature : **Orevac**<sup>®</sup> for **impact resistance**
- **Prevent hydrolysis** : **Orevac**<sup>®</sup> due to its Chemicals binding.

rPA

## PA/PE from fisher nets

Not suitable for relevant application due to an issue of compatibility, PA polluted PE with no additives have mechanical properties challenges such as the impact strength, the viscosity or the compatibilization.

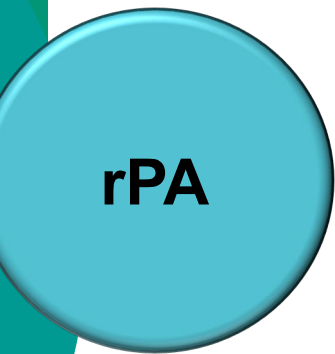
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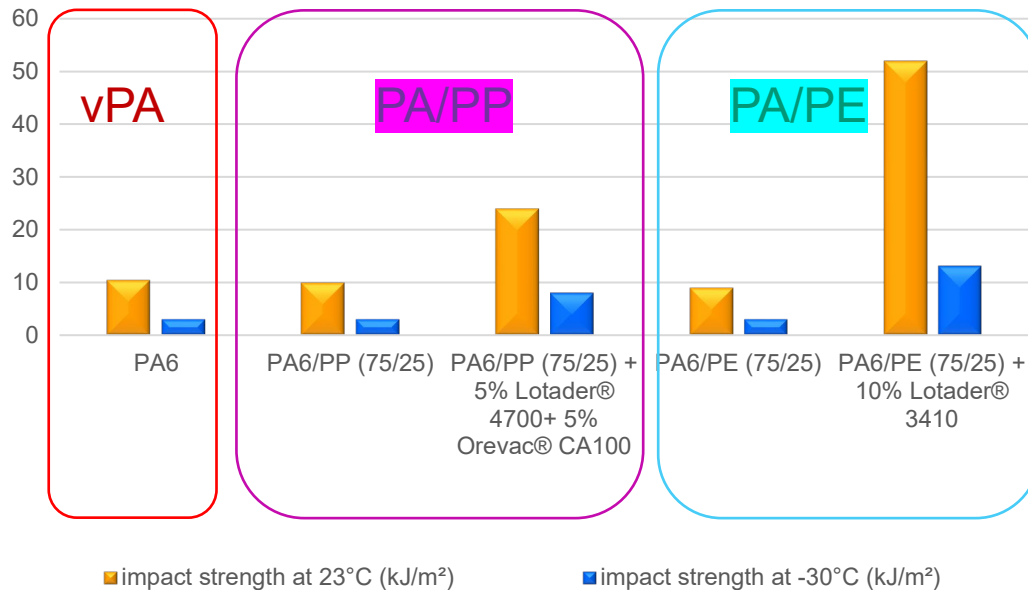
# Compatibilization of PA6/PP and rPA/PE

## Impact / Elongation at break

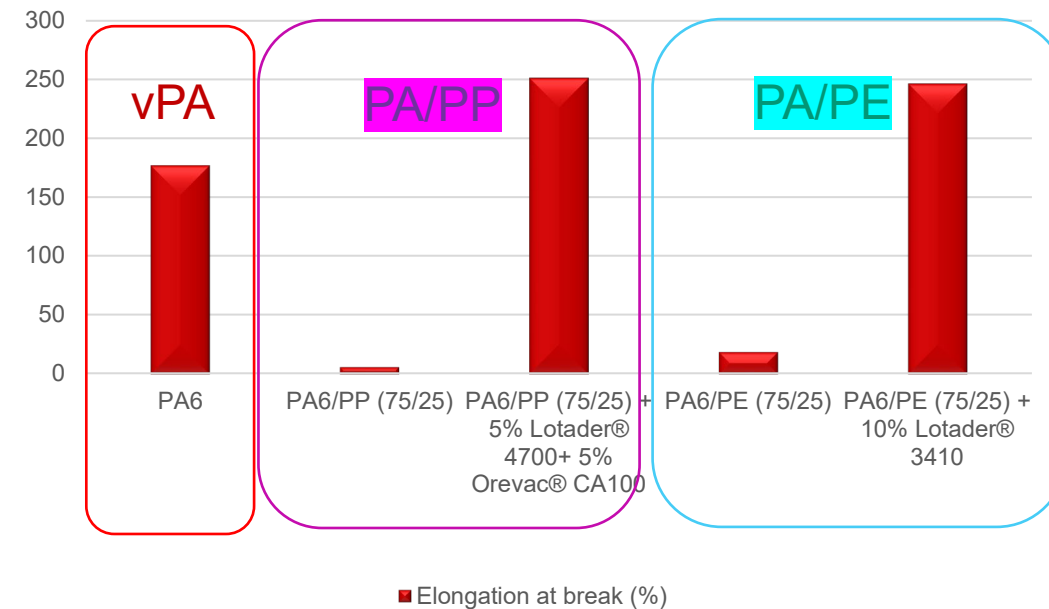
- Impact strength modifiers at 23° C and -30° C :
  - A blend **Orevac® CA100** + **Lotader® 4700** in **PA/PP** and **Lotader® 3410** in **PA/PE** increase the impact strength at room and cold temperature to a level higher than virgin PA6
- Elongation at break to evaluate the compatibilization :
  - A blend **Orevac® CA100** + **Lotader® 4700** in **PA/PP** and **Lotader® 3410** in **PA/PE** improve the compatibility to reach the performance of virgin PA6



Impact strength of PA polluted



Elongation at break (%) of PA polluted



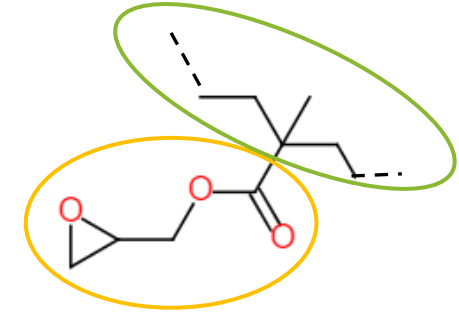
- Improve significantly the impact properties while maintaining the mechanical properties of the major component of the blend

# Compatibilization of rPET/PE and rPET/PP

## Impact / Elongation at break

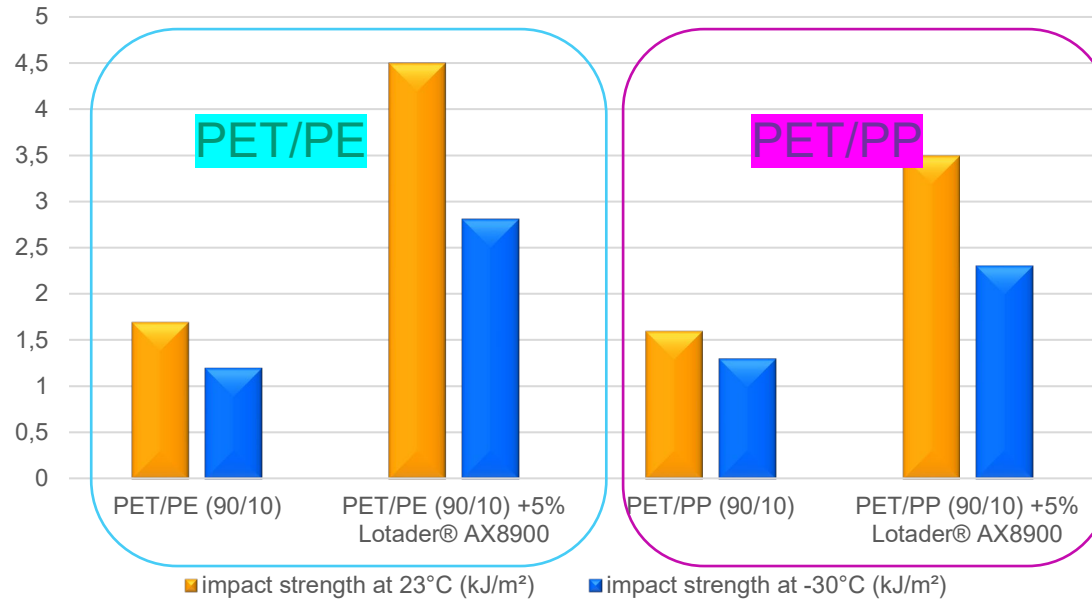
- Impact strength modifiers at 23° C and -30° C :
  - Lotader® AX8900** increase the impact strength at room and cold temperature
- Elongation at break :
  - Lotader® AX8900** increase the compatibility

Compatibility with polyolefin

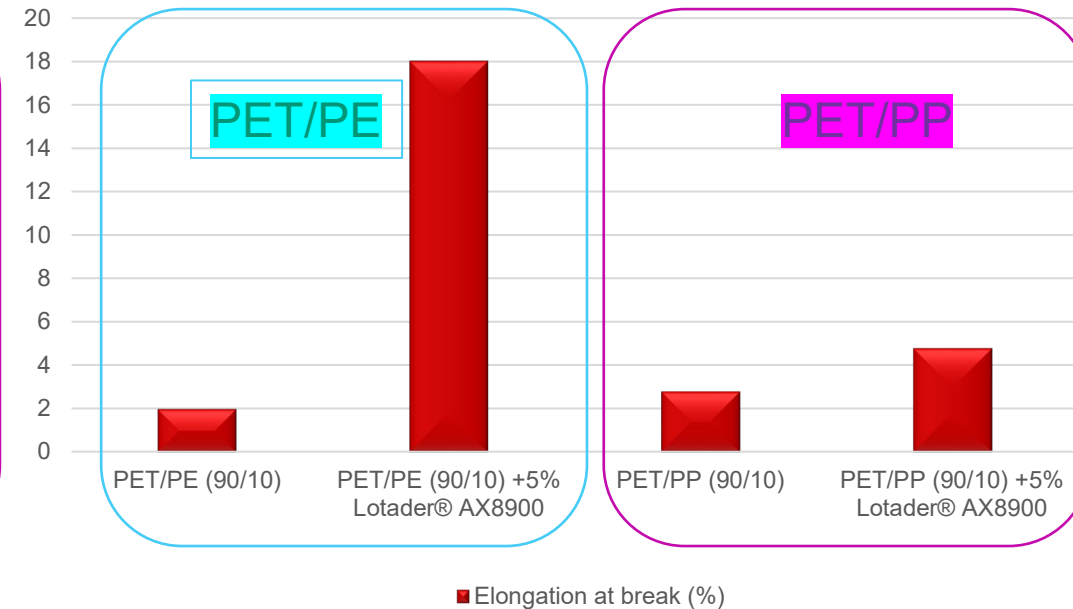


Reactivity with PET

Impact strength (kJ/m<sup>2</sup>)



Elongation at break (%)



rPET

- Performance of **Lotader® AX8900** with rPET blend is similar than with virgin PET
- Allow to use contaminated or blend rPET

# SKFP additives for polyesters compounds (rPET/PE, rPET/PP, rPET packaging...)

## ▪ CPET/rCPET ovenable trays for frozen food

The trays must resist up to 180° C temperature in conventional oven

### SK FP solutions:

- cPET brittle at -20° C : need **Lotryl®** for **impact resistance**
- cPET poor melt strength (= visco) : **Lotryl®** + **Lotader®** to **increase melt strength**



rPET

## Pigmented rPET trays for refrigerated food

Lots of recycled APET available

Trays not for cooking : does not need temperature resistance

### SK FP solutions:

- Recycled PET have degraded properties : additives such as **Lotryl®** & **Lotader®** required to **resist impact at refrigerated T (4° C)** and **adjust rheology**

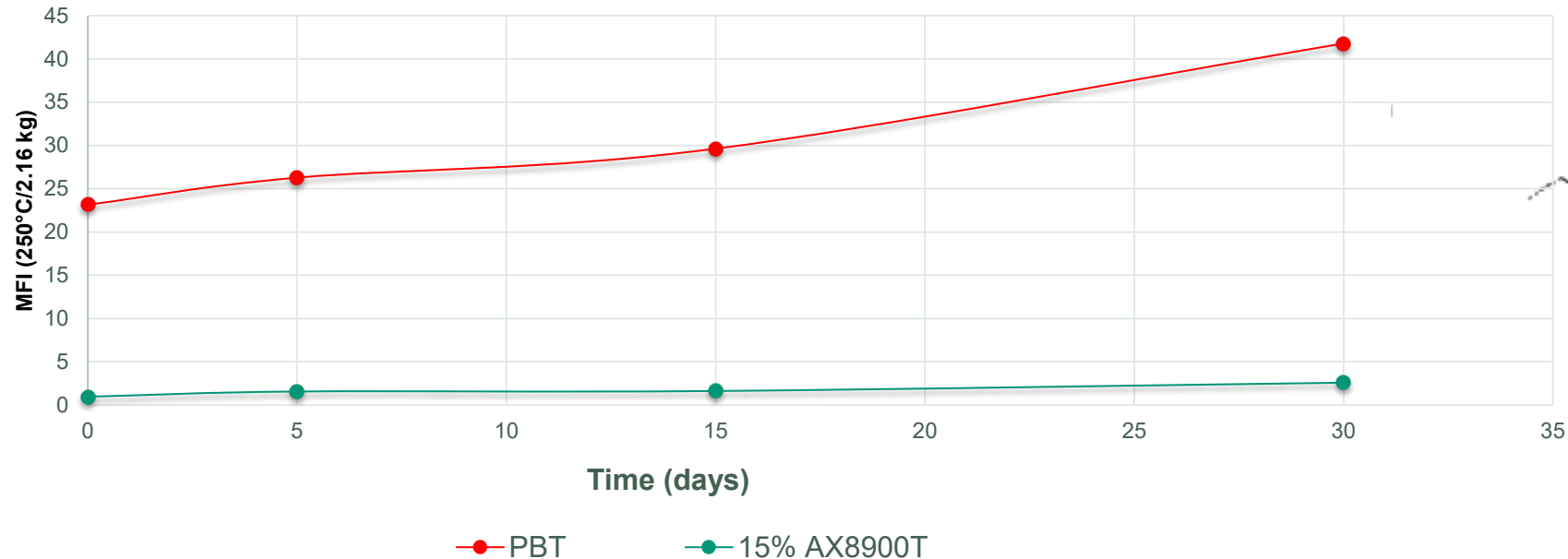


# Hydrolyses prevention of PBT

## Viscosity and mechanical performances maintained

- PBT (polybutylene terephthalate) hydrolysis leads to polymer chain scission, resulting in molecular weight reduction and a significant loss of mechanical properties, melt strength and toughness.
- **Lotader® AX8900T** acts as viscosity modifier and prevent hydrolysis over water exposure which could suppose to improve the quality of rPBT

Hydrolyses performances of **Lotader® A8900T**



- Performance of **Lotader® AX8900T** with PBT after 1 month exposure in water bath
- **Lotader® AX8900T** is the new technology released in 2026 and already available commercially.

PBT

# Mechanical recycling PE/EVOH

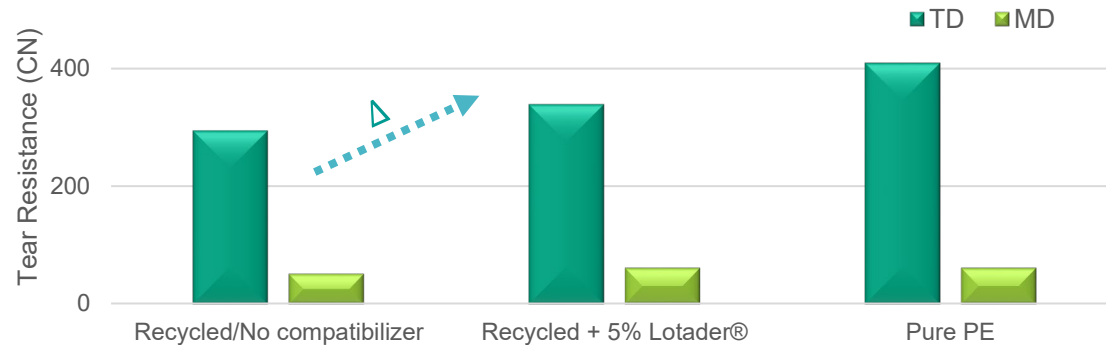
- Recycling barrier films (PE/EVOH)

Structure: PE/Tie layer/EVOH/Tie layer/PE

i.e. PE: 89%, EVOH 10%, **Orevac®** 1%

- Tear strength

Significant tear resistance improvement with addition of 5% **Lotader® 4210**

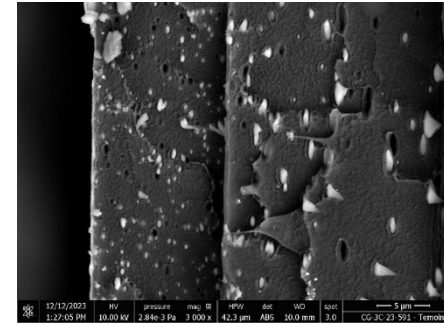


#1 Typical compatibilizer loading recommendations for PE/EVOH films: from 2 to 5% depending on the EVOH content

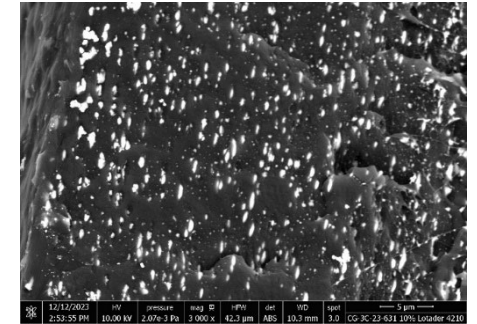
#2 For PA-based barrier films, it is recommended to compound it with virgin PE. Lotader® 4210 added at 0.75% in the recycled/virgin blend enables to retrieve many of the original properties of virgin PE

- Morphology: EVOH dispersion in PE

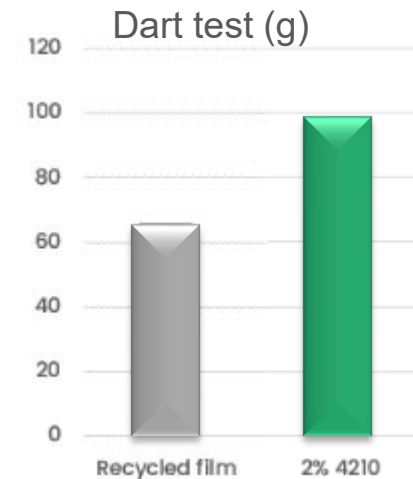
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Compatibilized



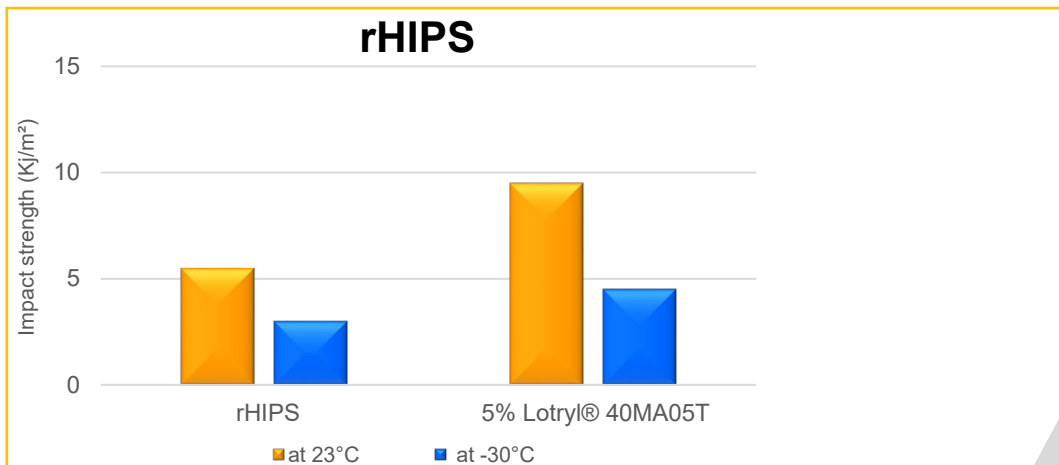
+ **Lotader® 4210**



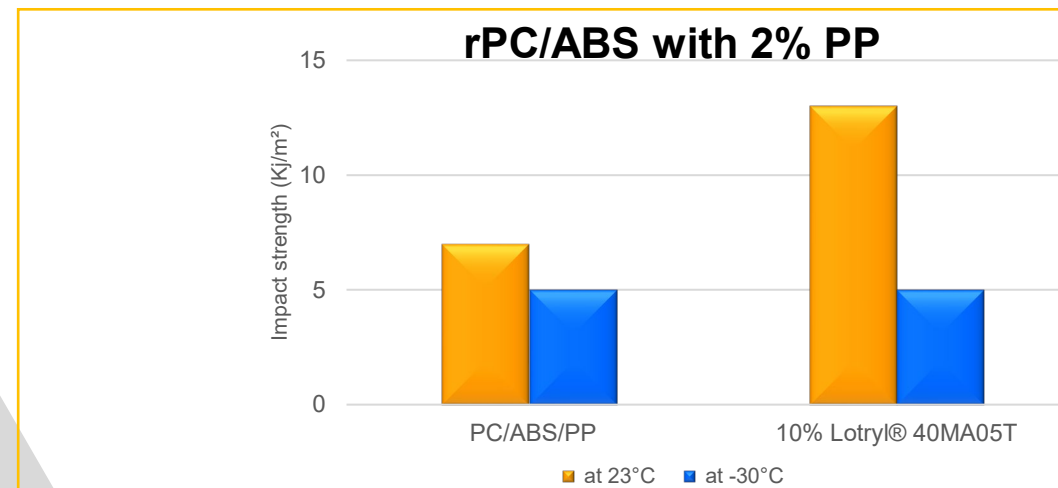
- Dart test: measurement result is the weight at which film fracture begins



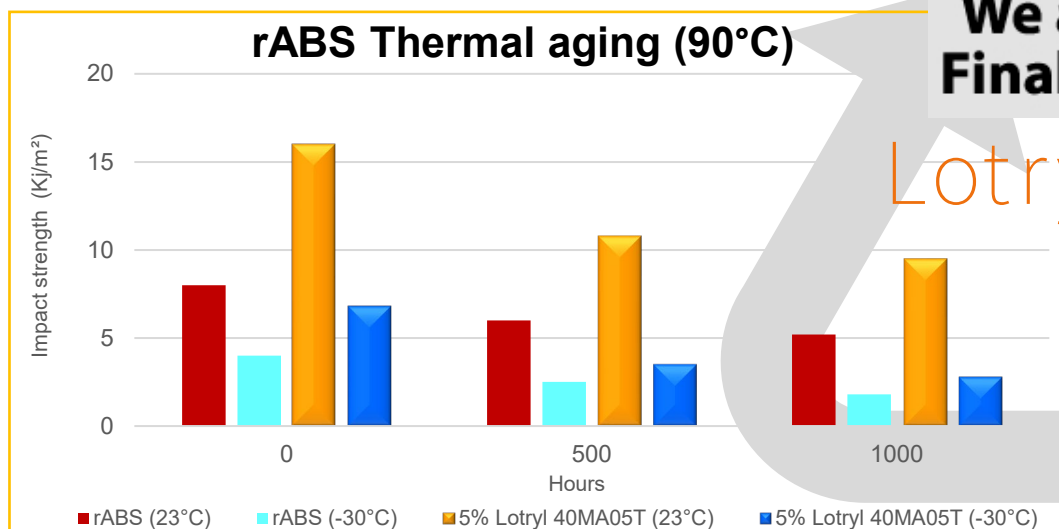




- Effective impact modifier.
- Improve compatibilization with rABS, rPC and PP, PE residual
- Maintain gloss after thermal (90°C) and UV ageing (1000 h)
- Low loading additives with high performances



- High impact modification.
- Improve compatibilization with PP and PE residual
- Outstanding softness and flexibility

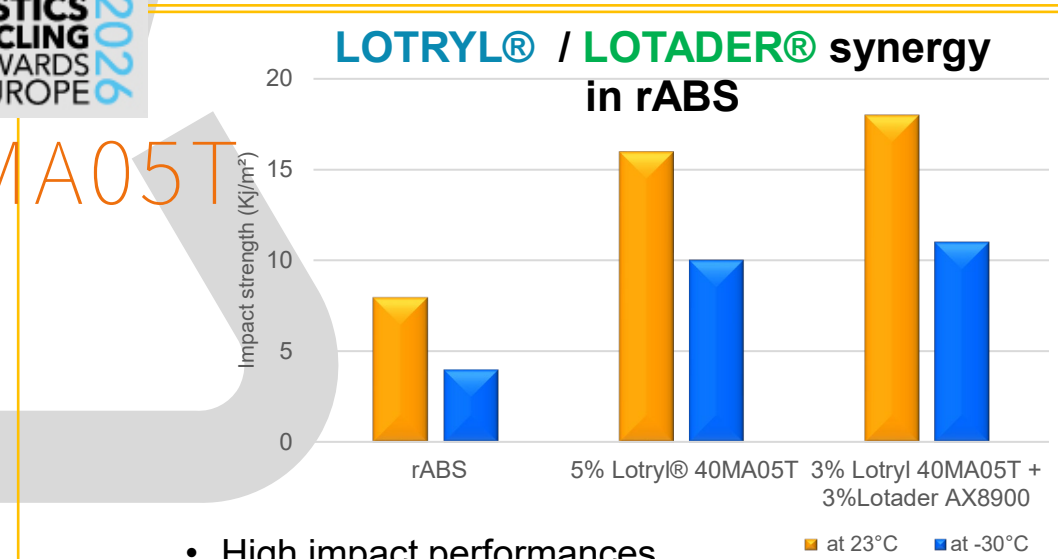


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Lotryl® 40MA05T



- High impact performances.
- Viscosity modifier
- Improve recyclability over many cycles

# Conclusion

- **SK functional polymer** presented multiple solutions to bring recycled materials to the same quality than virgin ones
- **SK functional polymer** supporting recyclers and compounders by using solutions to improve sustainability
- Mechanical Recycling reuse material for second life and need compatibilizers, impact modifiers, coupling agents such as **LOTRYL®**, **LOTADER®** & **OREVAC®**
- **SK functional polymer** have a target for GREEN: to become the global first booster solutions provider to recycling plastics (rABS, rHIPS, rPC/ABS...)



**Thank you!**

