



# POLICARBONATOS CQ DE COVESTRO MATERIALIZANDO LA CIRCULARIDAD

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## Inventor and leader in high-tech material solutions Covestro at a glance



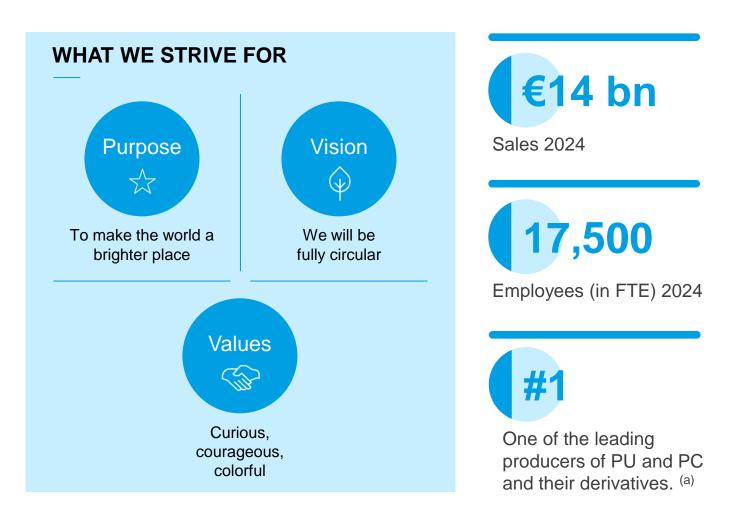
#### WHAT WE DO

Covestro is among the world's largest polymer companies. Business activities are focused on the manufacture of high-tech polymer materials and the development of innovative solutions for products used in many areas of daily life.

The main segments served are the automotive, construction, wood processing and furniture, and electrical and electronics industries. Other sectors include sports and leisure, cosmetics and health.

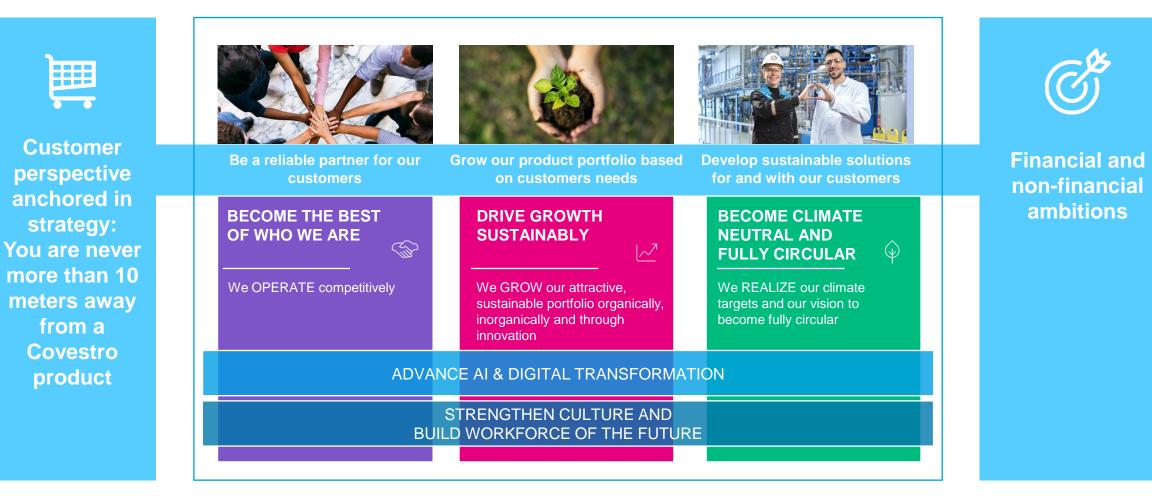
Together with our partners and customers, we are taking big steps to tackle a fundamental challenge: Shifting towards a Circular Economy.

To achieve this bold goal, we are innovating efficient ways to close energy and material cycles. We are pushing boundaries in polymers.



# A clear connection to customers and our ambitions

Our strategy – setting the path for tomorrow



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# Climate neutrality as objective

## Scopes 1 and 2



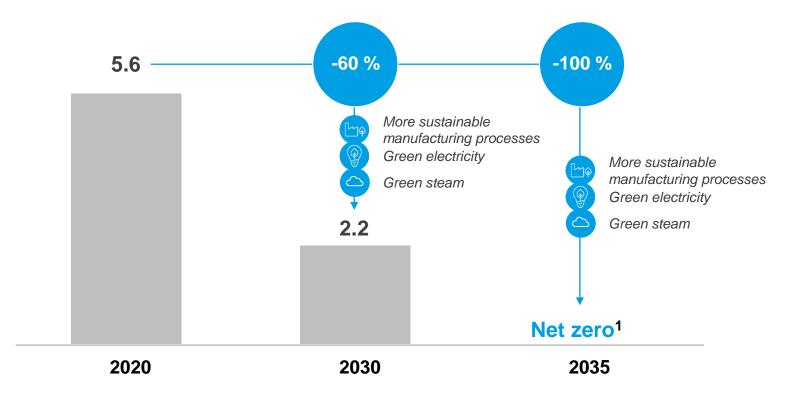
### Net zero<sup>1</sup> by 2035 By 2035, Covestro aims for net zero for our own emissions (scope 1) and external energy sources (scope 2)

#### Three key levers for reduction:

- More sustainable manufacturing processes
- Green electricity
- Green steam

All efforts contribute towards the 1.5°C goal of the Paris Climate Agreement

Greenhouse gas emissions in million t, scope 1 and 2

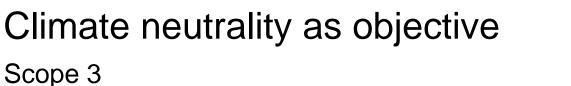


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<sup>1</sup> Achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions is defined as a balance between anthropogenic emissions (from own operations and energy procurement) and anthropogenic removals of greenhouse gases.

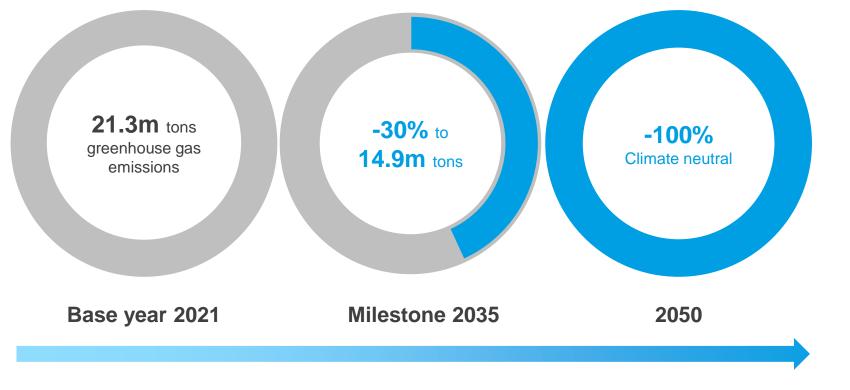
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By 2050, Covestro aims for net zero emissions upstream and downstream in the value chain, so called scope 3 emissions.

#### Four levers for reduction:

- Suppliers reduce their scope 1and scope 2-emissions
- Selling products made from alternative raw materials
- Advancing investments projects (MAKE projects)
- A large number of different factors as a fourth lever





## Your go-to partner on sustainability solutions

A sustainable product portfolio with innovative services and solutions

### CQ Circular Intelligent Solutions

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- RE Series: Drop-in solutions partly with certified renewable attributed material share\*
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#### Design services

- Design for sustainability
- Imagio® CQ: visualization of product designs

Enabling circular business models

- Closed/open loop recycling
- Material tracing



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# **CQ Solutions:**

For a More Circular, Climate-Neutral World

# Let's push together for full circularity and climate neutrality.

CQ product portfolio from Engineering Plastics



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# **R** Series

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R-Series: Post-consumer recycled polycarbonate solutions offer consistent performance and traceable certificates



Mechanical Recyc UL ECV / TÜV A broad recycled Near to prime certified of its portfolio from materials that fulfil traceable 25~90% **Industry product** recycled content post-consumer safety standards recycled (PCR) to address market source needs

## Covestro PCR raw material sourcing management system









Dedicated team responsible for PCR raw material sourcing (Global structure and regional base ) X-functional community from sourcing, R&D, QC, production & planning to ensure R-portfolio quality and supply consistency Different sourcing models to secure sustainable PCR raw material supply

## Continuous investment in mechanical recycling

Exciting step for Covestro on its way to full circularity

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# Capacity expansion in response to strong market demand

- Set up its first dedicated line to deliver more than 25,000 tons of high-quality polycarbonates and blends containing recycled content at integrated site in Shanghai, has commissioned in 2023
- Repurposed a compounding facility in Thailand to address PCR products for the ASEAN market
- By 2026, aim to deliver over 60,000 tons of recycled polycarbonates per year in the region



## Driving for circularity

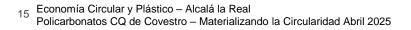
Advance end-of-life automotive plastics recycling partnership



- Building on our previous partnership in recycling polycarbonate water barrels, this new collaboration aims to accelerate the recycling of plastics from end-of-life vehicles, contributing to the automotive industry's circularity
- **Ausell** will supply recycled polycarbonates derived from discarded automotive headlamps
- Covestro will then process into high-quality PCR
  materials for automotive engineering applications



Advancing end-of-life automotive plastics recycling





# RE Series

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# SAGA<sup>™</sup> switches & sockets from ABB preserving resources with Makrolon<sup>®</sup> RE

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#### Source and Copyright: ABB

**REach** your sustainability goals with drop-in solutions from Covestro



# **RE Series:**







**RE**duce significantly the product carbon footprint

Up to **89% bio-circular certified attributed material share**, with EPEAT recognition for sustainable use of resources<sup>2\*</sup> Drop-in solution Zero implementation effort

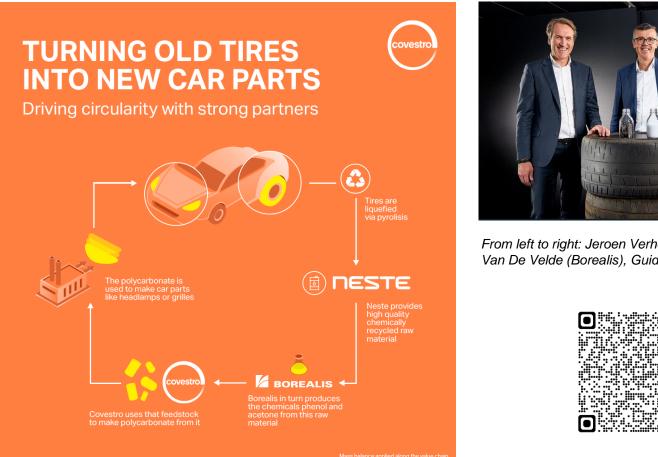


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\* Specific product savings differ according product properties. Shown values represent selected Makrolon<sup>®</sup> RE grades.
 <sup>1</sup>LCA calculation acc. to ISO 14040/14044 critical review by TÜV Rheinland.
 2 Via mass balance, Global Electronics Council: EPEAT-SUR-2025



## Turning old tires into new car parts Collaboration between Neste, Borealis and Covestro





From left to right: Jeroen Verhoeven (Neste), Thomas Van De Velde (Borealis), Guido Naberfeld (Covestro).



Today, discarded tires often end up in landfills or incineration. The collaboration between Neste, Borealis and Covestro intends to open a route for discarded tires to find their way back into cars.



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Reach your sustainability goals with RP series from Covestro

# **RP Series:**



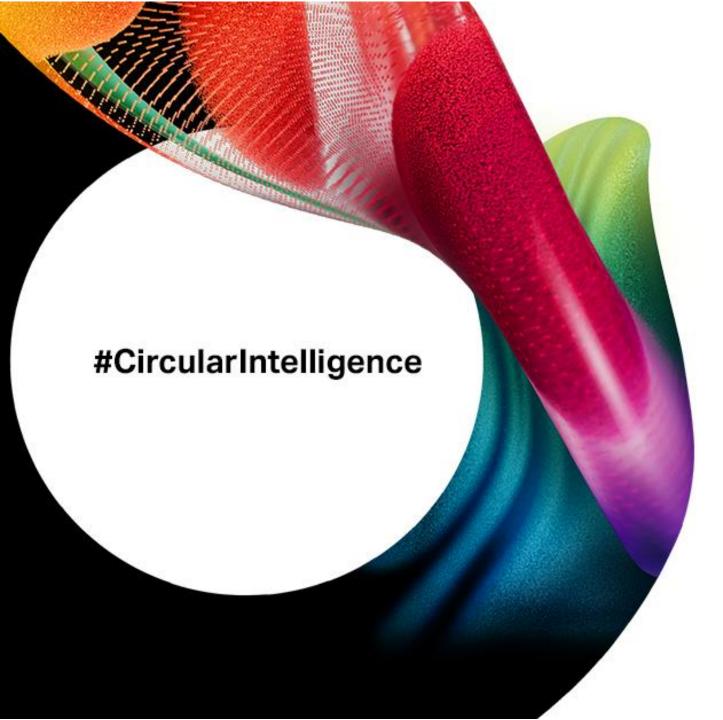


Supports Circular Economy with significant post consumer chemically recycled attributed sustainable share \* Drop-in solution **Zero** implementation effort



High purity chemically refined, use at highly regulated industries possible



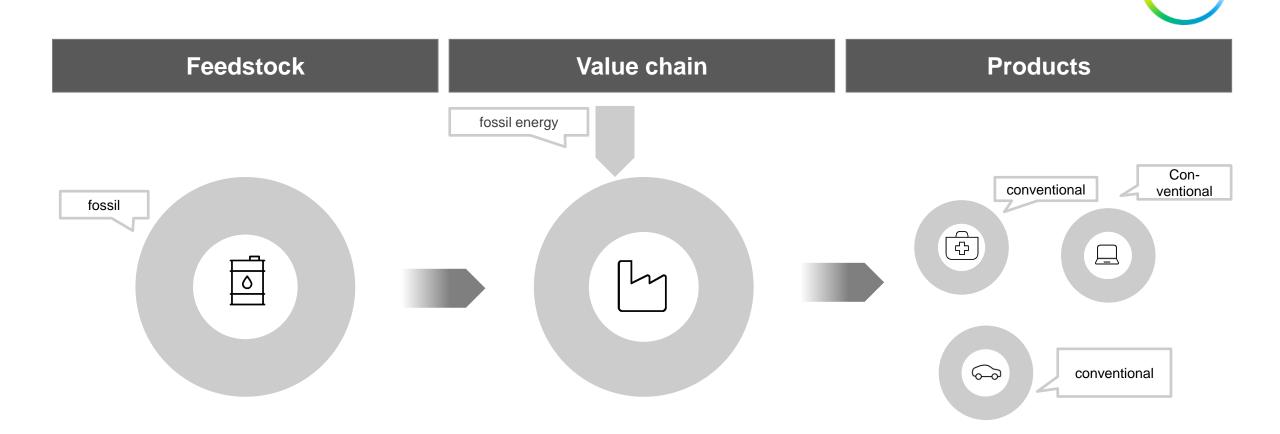




# **CQ Solutions:**

# Mass balanced solutions





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# Principle of Mass and Energy Balance Approach



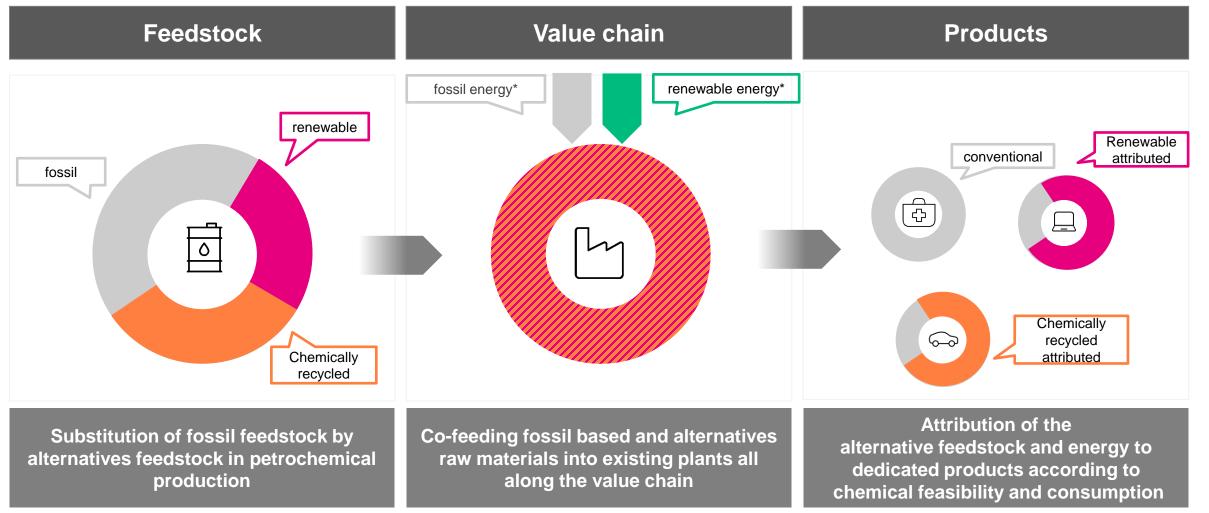


Illustration based on Nova institute

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\* Renewable electricity allocation management system certified by TÜV Rheinland ID 84999.

Mechanically and physically recycled polymers remain in same polymer family.

Covestro supports ecosystems to grow availability of recyclable End-Of-Life polycarbonates

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We are excited to deepen our partnership with Ausell as we work closely with our value chain partners to accelerate the circular transformation of the automotive industry.

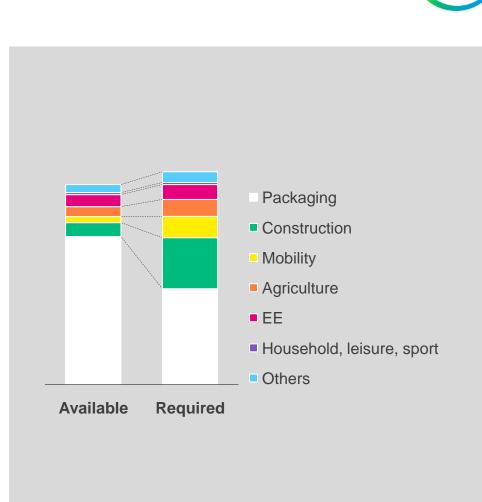
Lily Wang Global Head Engineering Plastics Covestro



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\* frame conditions for advanced scenario at <u>241121 BKV-Symposium Vortrag Petar Doshev</u>, <u>Borealis Polyolefine.pdf</u> \*\* other thermoplastics than PE, PP, PS, EPS, PVC, PET. Chemical recycling\*\*\* can provide recycled attributed polymers independent from first life.

Available today: polycarbonate attributed to chemically recycled old tires\*



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\* plastics from chemically recycled post-consumer feedstocks attributed via mass balance

\*\*\* some sort of chemical recycling like gasification or pyrolysis result polymer-independent in base chemicals (while other sorts of polymer-specific chemical recycling result in monomers)

## Chemically recycled attributed products\* are already available Mechanical recycling is prioritized when quality and quantity are feasible

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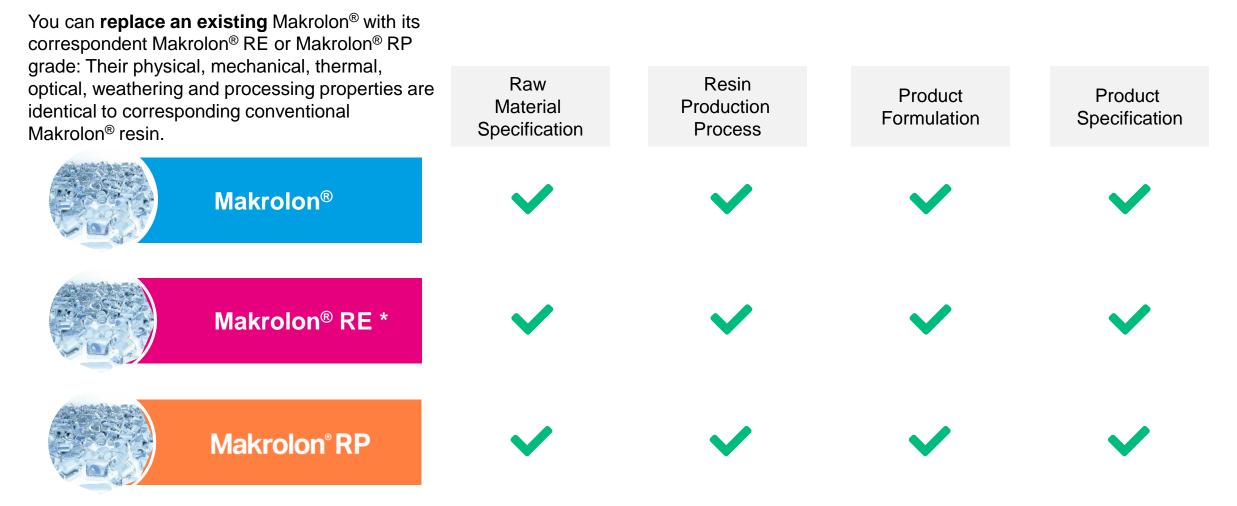
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# Several sources for alternative raw materials\* RE & RP series are related to alternative feedstocks via mass balance Circular : feedstock from waste / processing **Bio:** feedstock from virgin biomass residues which are not landfilled or burned (e.g. ELT, general plastic waste) Bio-circular: waste and residues of biological origin (e.g. used cooking oils)

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# Equivalency verified by Covestro

Makrolon® RE and Makrolon® RP resins are identical to conventional Makrolon® resins



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\* Product and quality equivalency confirmed under actual production conditions for representative product



## Supporting little and big steps towards full circularity

You can decide your speed towards circularity



RE and RP with significant certified attributed material share\*

RE25 and RP25 with 25% certified attributed material share\* Both products with identical performance as respective standard material

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\* RE related to biological waste and residues, RP related to chemically recycled post consumer feedstocks both attributed via mass balance

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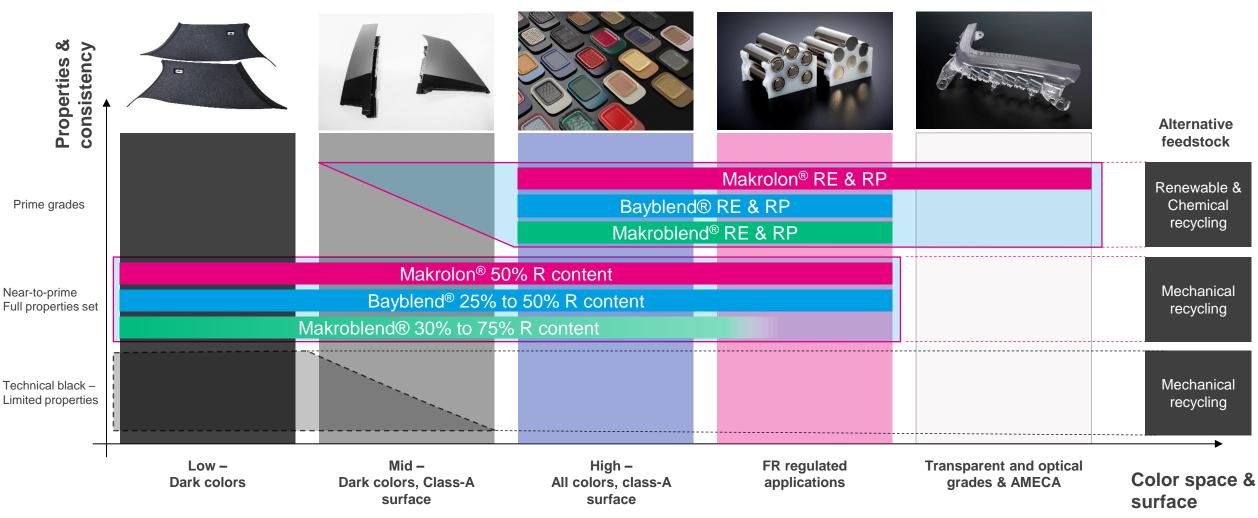


Drug delivery device design based on polycarbonate materials, for long use and easier disassembly at end-of-life



## Product application scope

Products characteristics to be adapted to applications for best cost / performance balance



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## Helping integrate end-of-life disposal & circularity into the design Guidebook to circular design for electronic makers



## Integrating Circularity into Aesthetic Design Circular DMF Design Guide









# **CQ Automotive Lighting Solutions**

Combining Sustainable Design with More Sustainable Materials to reach your goals



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# Polycarbonatos CQ de Covestro

## Materializando la circularidad



#### Mechanical Recycling



Products with post-consumer recyclates\*\*\* for demanding applications

- Available High quality feedstock
  - 25 to 75% recycled content
  - Near to prime performance
  - Global portfolio
  - IMDS / ELV\*\* readiness

#### **Renewable attributed** Polycarbonates



- High quality, certified\*, mass balanced PC - biological waste and residues - replace fossil resources
- Available "Drop-in" solution with identical properties
  - All applications in-scope

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- Large CO<sub>2</sub> footprint reduction potential
- Global portfolio of grades

#### **Chemical Recycling**



High quality, certified\*, mass balanced PC - replacing fossil by postconsumer-chemically recycled feedstocks

 Supports Circular Economy, with significant recycled attributed share

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- "Drop-in" solution, zero implementation effort
- High purity, use at highly regulated industries possible

#### **Design for Sustainability**



pment Circular Design co-creation with customers

- Modular application design
- Highly complex / disassembly)
- Material centricity ("mono"-material)
- Continuos d Industry R&D programs, e.g., NALYSES project for EXT lighting (full supply-chain project, digital twin, etc.)





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