

## **Advancing 3D Printing by Process Simulation**

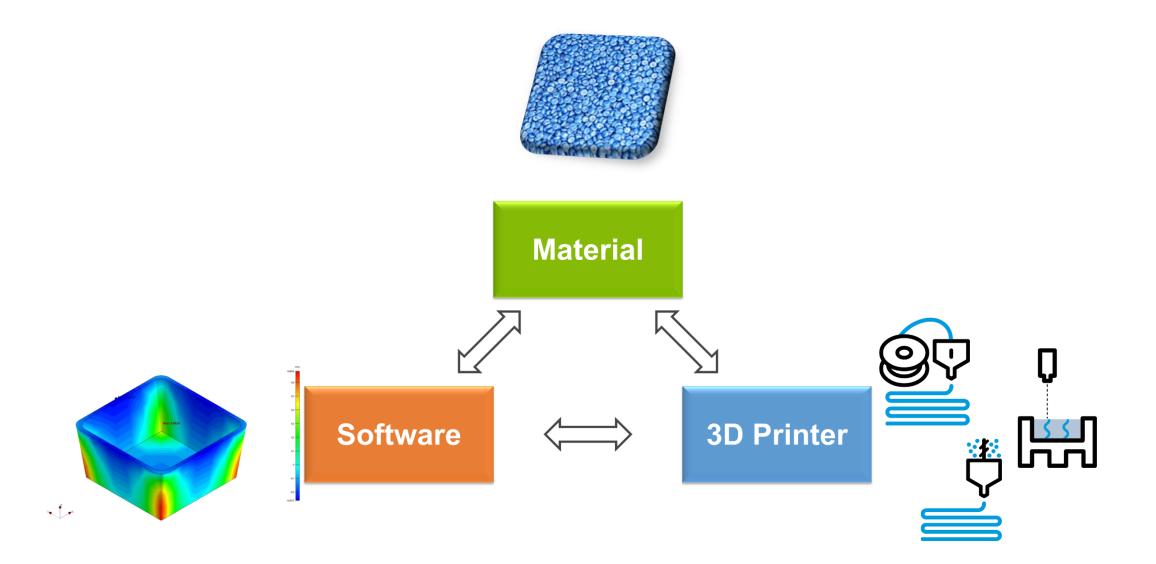
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## **Digital Manufacturing by 3D Printing**





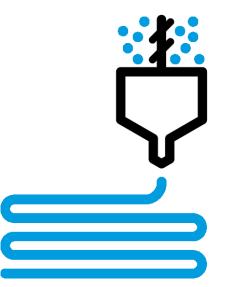




III. Interlayer fusion

II. Warpage

I. Build plate adhesion



Technology-based process and application-specific material development for 3D printing

#### LyondellBasell Our legacy of Innovation on the Path to Additive Manufacturing





Hoechst, a predecessor company, **initiates industrial-scale production** of polyethylene (PE) in Frankfurt, Germany. **1955** 

Production is started at the **first** *Hostalen* high density polyethylene (HDPE) process plant.

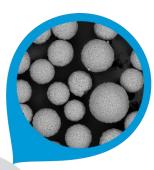


Predecessor company scientists Karl Ziegler and Giulio Natta are **awarded the Nobel Prize for their breakthrough discoveries** in the creation of PE and polypropylene (PP).

#### 1963

The **Spheripol** process, currently the most widely used polyofins process technology, **is introduced by predecessor company Montedison**.

1982



Launch of Beon3D for additive manufacturing 2020





LyondellBasell announces construction of the new *Hyperzone* **PE plant** in La Porte, Texas, which utilizes the company's new proprietary technology. **2016** 

 Global producer of polypropylene compounds

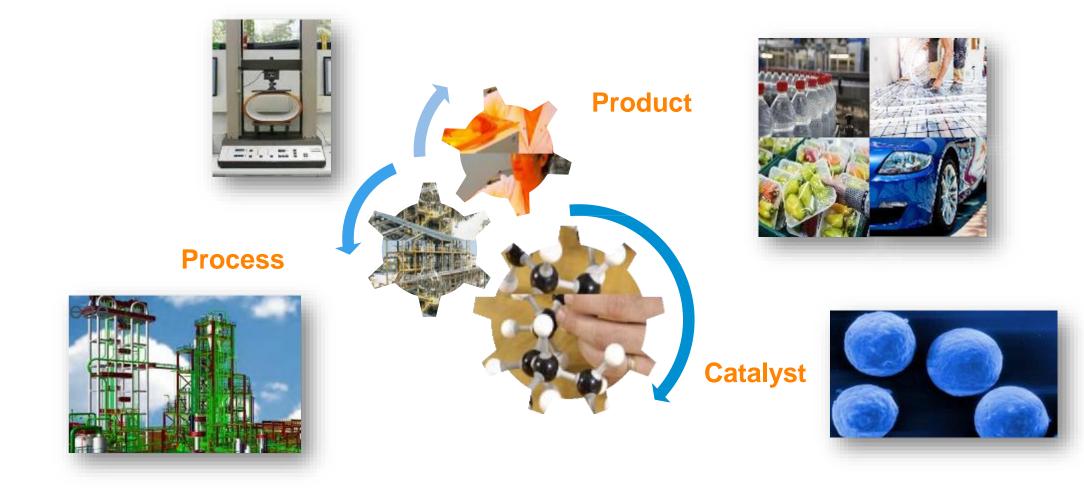
polyethylene in

Producer of

- **#1**]
  - Europe Producer of polypropylene in North America and Europe

## LyondellBasell Research & Development Engine





Creating polyolefins with higher material performance, improved versatility and broader properties able to successfully replace traditional materials

## **Beon3D** – Tunable Material Performance for Industrial 3D Printing

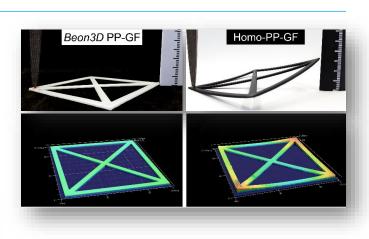
✓ Low Warpage

- Enhanced build plate adhesion
- Wide process windows
  for an industrial environment
- ✓ Optimized mechanical properties

✓ Low density – high resistance



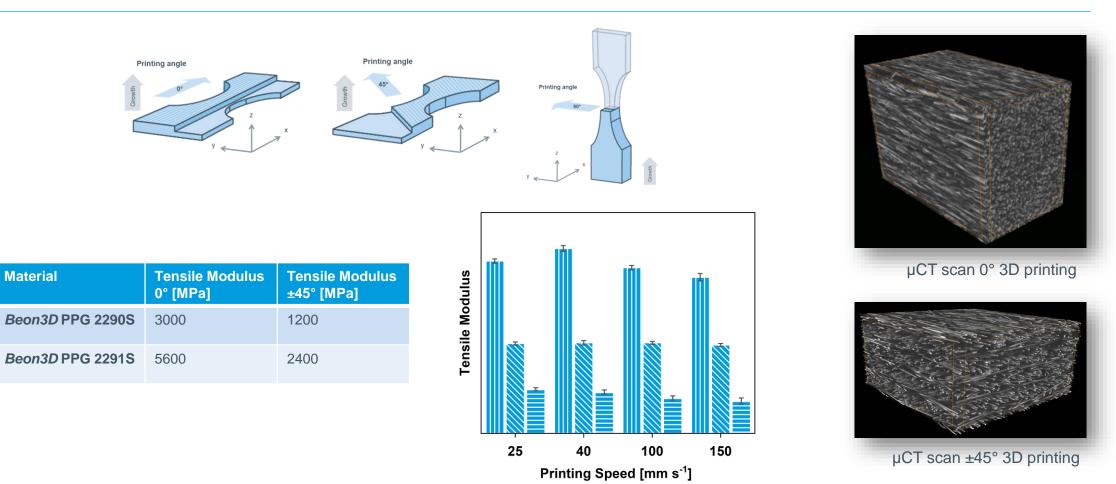






## **Beon3D** – Tunable Material Performance for Industrial 3D Printing





Digital tuning of glass fiber orientation and mechanical properties

✓ Advancing industrial 3D printing by enhanced manufacturing speed

## **Competence Center 3D Printing, Frankfurt**



Material development



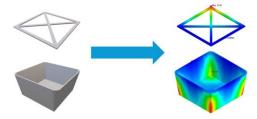
3D printing innovation room, R&D Frankfurt

Process development

Filament extrusion line, R&D Frankfurt

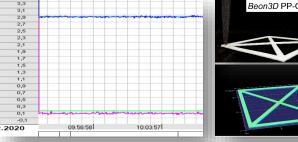


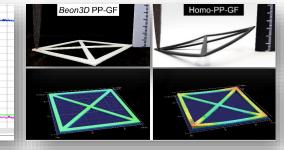
Process simulation



*Simulation* of warpage, enhanced printing pathway, and mechanical properties

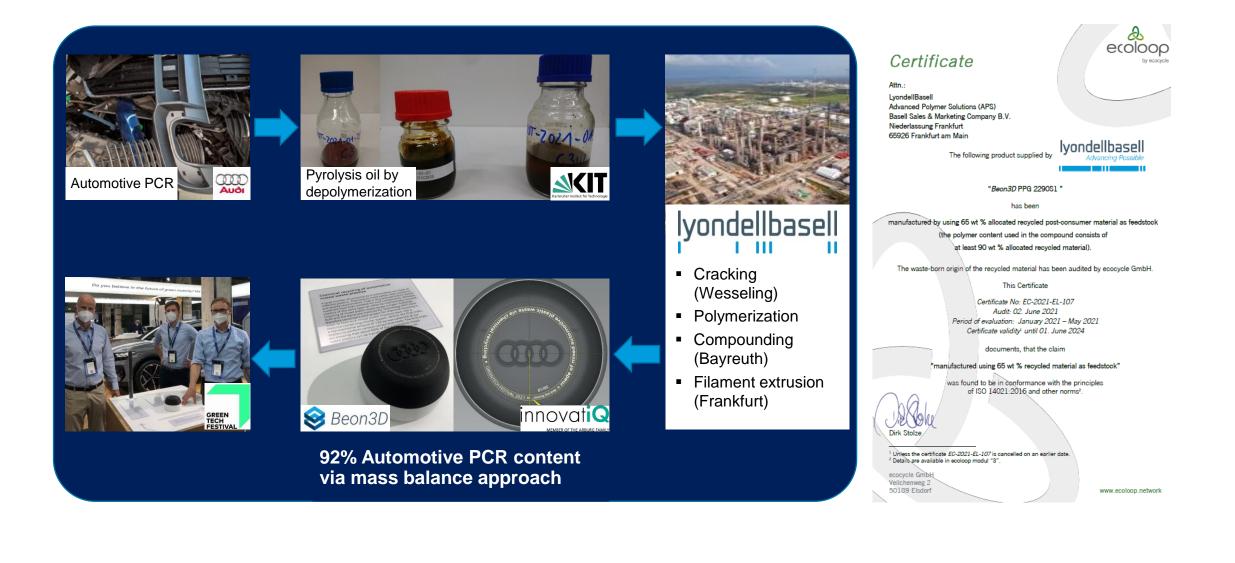
 Method and device development for quality assurance Filament release documentation & warpage quantification





## **Greentech Festival – Certified Molecular Recycled PP Compound**





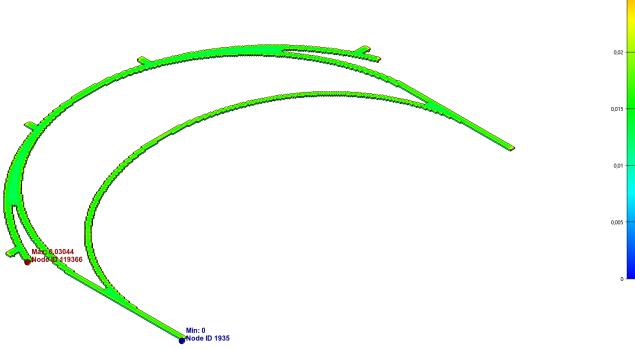


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Role of CAE tools (Process simulation):

 Predicting warpage → optimizing process conditions for warpage reduction

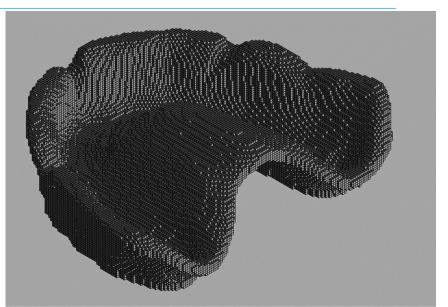
 Determining local material properties → Optimizing process conditions to obtain tailored material properties

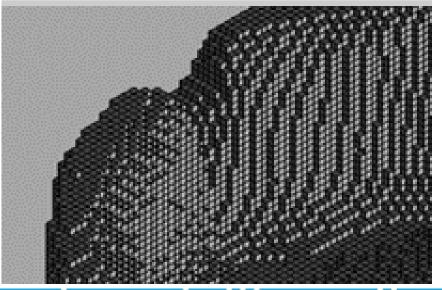


#### CAE: How does a simulation work?



- ✓ How a basic process simulation works
  - ✓ First layer fixed on the plate
  - ✓ Progressive Activations of the layers when the bead is passed. Bead movement obtained from machine files (gcode)
  - ✓ Subsequent Thermo-mechanical analysis of the layers, including temperature evolution, material thermal expansion and relaxation
  - ✓ After all layer depositions were simulated, release of the boundary Conditions; thermal exchange with the outside continues, shrinkage and relaxations still occur
- Mainly Temperature-dependent thermo-mechanical properties requested in input: Thermal conductivity, specific heat, specific volume
- Mechanical properties requested in input: Elastic Modulus, Prony Series (Viscoelasticity model), WL coefficients (Temperaturedependence)
- ✓ Software used: Digimat AM by MSC Software



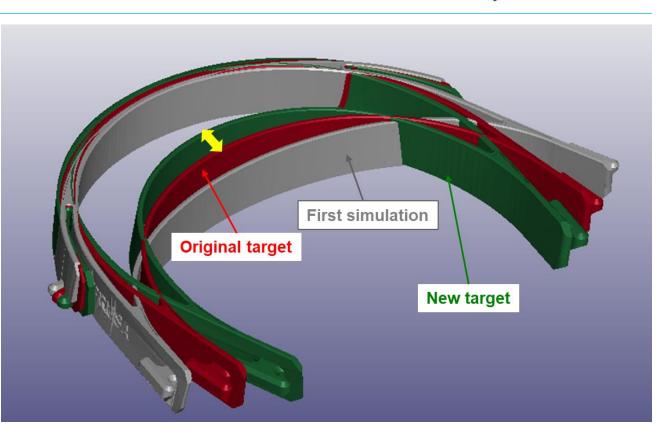




#### ✓ Example: Prusa HeadBand



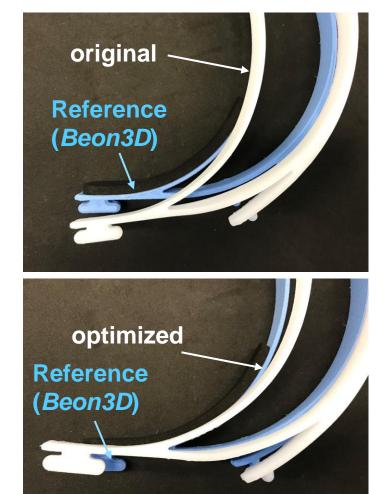




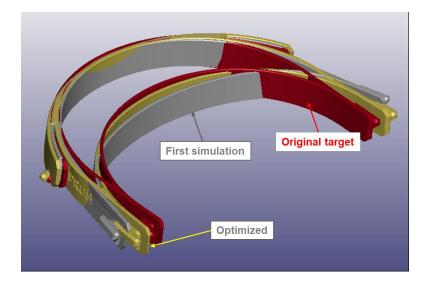
 The shape optimization is based on the compensations of the deviations from the desired target as obtained from the process simulation



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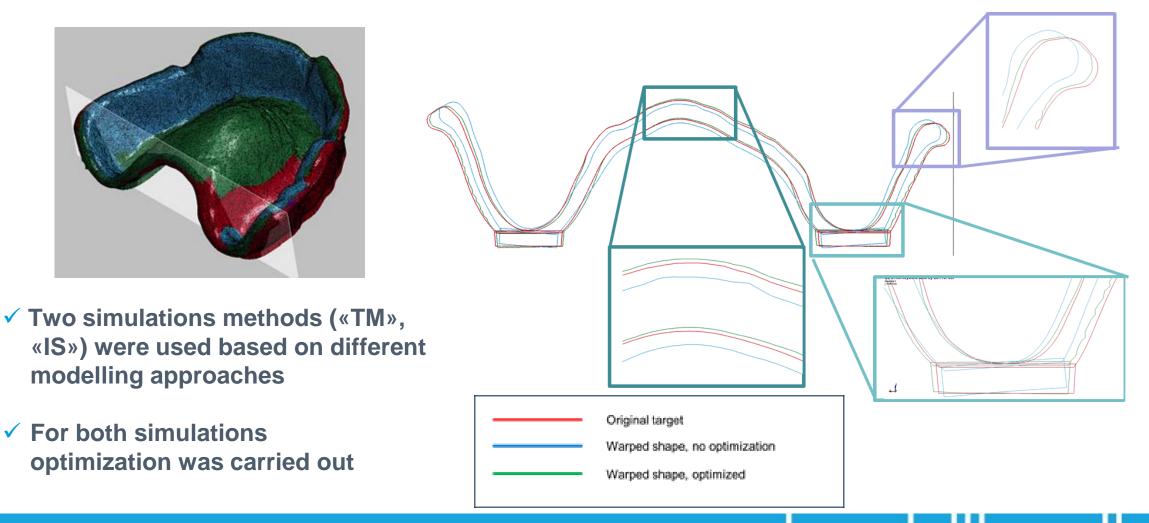




 For this activity, executed in collaboration with Faculty of Medicine of Freiburg Hospital, the optimization led to Zero Rejection of the manufactured parts

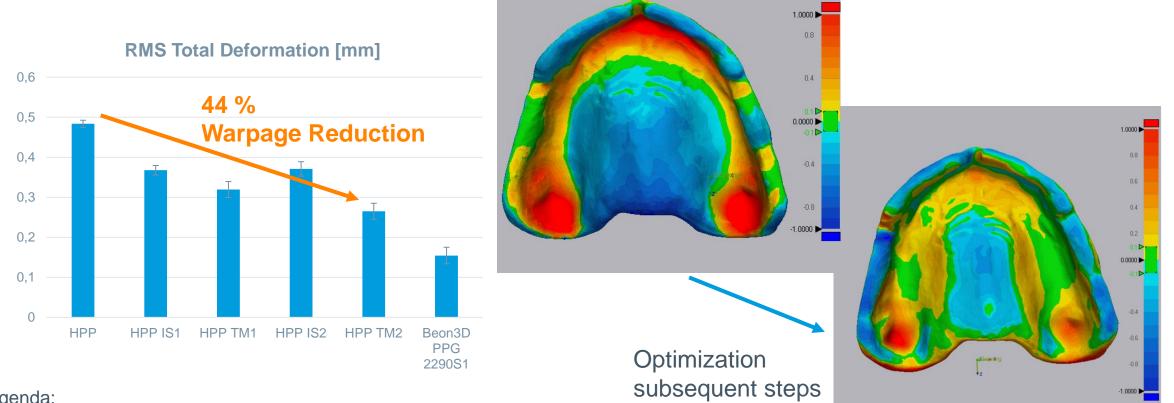


 Example: Surgical Guides for prosthetic-driven oral implant placement (activity in collaboration with Faculty of Medicine of Freiburg Hospital, Prof. Dr. Spies)





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#### (Courtesy from Freiburg University)

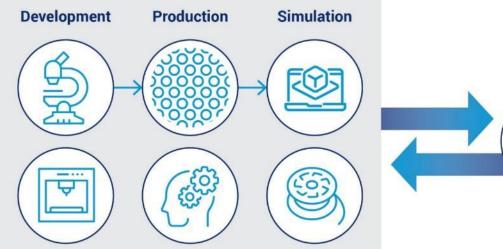
Legenda:

HPP: Healtcare PP not optimized

HPP TM: Healtcare PP optimized, ThermoMechanical model HPP IS: Healtcare PP optimized, Inherent Strain model

### LyondellBasell Advancing Additive Manufacturing





Customer product

3D printing comprehensive tailor-made solution

LyondellBasell enabling your innovation success by:

- Comprehensive polymer chemistry knowledge
- Deep simulation expertise
- Developing tailor made products for our customers



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