# **E-mobility** Our solutions for today and challenges for the future



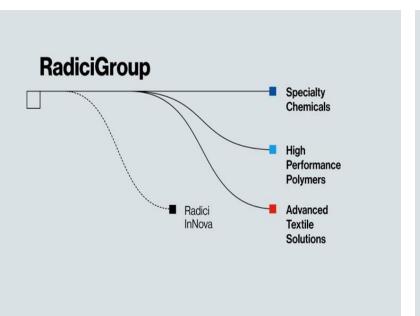
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# RadiciGroup High Performance Polymers at a Glance





Upstream integration of PA6 Radilon® S, PA6.6 Radilon® A, PA6.10 Radilon® D, PA6.12 Radilon® DT and copolymers.

**Worldwide** industrial and sales network. Manufacturing footprint in Europe, Americas and Asia

Complete range of materials available in all countries including high performance products and special tailor-made grades **FACTS** 

#### VISION

Growth through **Innovation**, with a focus on speciality mainly based on polyamide grades. **Sustainability** commitment along the entire production chain.

#### Commitment to sustainability:

we support Circular Economy. Our 15-year old commitment to Sustainability is embedded in the Mission RadiciGroup defined back in 2000.

#### People's expertise and support

for the development of new applications and solutions on a global level. We consider our approach to innovation as a competitive advantage, from CAE design to product development.









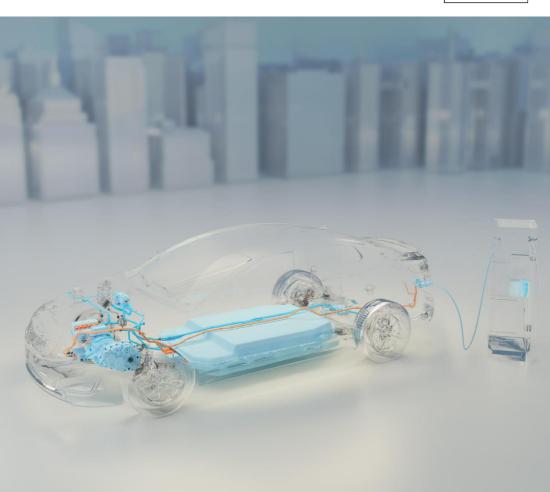




# Agenda

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- E-Mobility: new opportunities and challenges with engineering polymers
- > Parts/systems technical requirements
- Properties comparison: polyamides versus
   PC, PC-ABS and PP
- > Application examples
- Advanced solutions with innovative composite prepregs



### **KEY WORDS:**

### increase of COMPONENTS LIFE, RELIABILITY, SAFETY





# **Target systems**

- > Traction Battery Pack
- > Thermal Management
- > Charging System
- > Power Electronic
- > E-motor
- > Connectivity Systems

# Main requirements



- > Growing importance of lightweighting
- > Components integrity through prolonged exposure in harsh environment
- Increasing fire safety requirements
- > Electrical insulation also in the presence of high voltage
- > EMI shielding
- > Battery protection against intrusion and impact
- > Electronic components duration with high voltage and high energy density
- > Protection versus corrosion of contacts
- Chemical resistance (also versus battery acids)



# Parts/systems technical requirements



Requirement	Details	System/components affected
Flame retardant properties	Trend versus UL 94-V0	Connectors, cell spacers, battery holders, battery frames, cable brackets, battery end plates, plug & sockets for charging system
Insulation	High CTI (≥ 600V) Dielectric Strength ≥ 10 KV/mm at 140°C	Connectors, cell spacers, battery holders, battery frames, cable brackets, battery end plates, plug & sockets for charging system
Stress cracking & chemical resistance	Chemical resistance according to LV124	CMC, BMC, cell spacers, carrier, cable brackets, cooling lines
Long term mechanical properties	Creep, fatigue up to 110 °C for battery system components. Heat ageing up to 160 °C for HV connectors and E-motor components	Cell spacers, end plates, housing, carrier, frames Busbar holder, cooling lines
Easy processing	Filling of large parts, thin parts with lower injection molding machine clamping force	Battery holders, spacers, carriers, frames. Connectors, cooling lines. E-motor brush holder, end frames.
High temperature exposure	RTI up to 160 °C	E-engine components, connectors, power electronic components
Impact, crash resistance	Battery/components protection against crash	Battery holder, battery housing

# Property comparison: polyamides versus PC, PC-ABS and PP



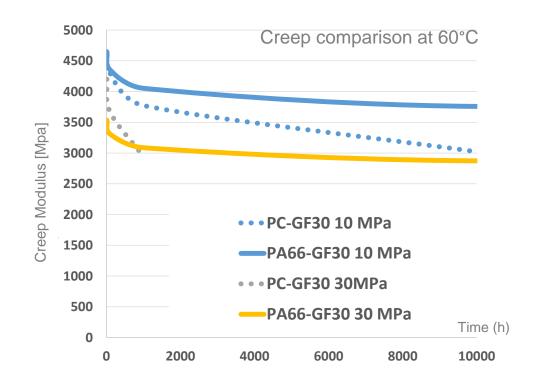
Property	PC, PC-ABS (amorphous)	Polyamide	Polypropylene	Comments
Stress cracking resistance Chemical resistance	-	=	+	Amorphous grades present a very low chemical and stress cracking resistance
Tensile strength and module	-	+	<del>-</del>	PP properties very low in the presence of welding line.
Creep resistance, fatigue resistance	-	+	-	Amorphous and PP low performance in presence of creep and fatigue
Impact resistance (basic polymer)	+	=	-	Strong point for amorphous on unfilled grade but not better than PA on flame retardant grades
Easy processing (flowability & cycle time)	-	+	+	Amorphous injection molding very difficult in the presence of limited thickness.  Amorphous require high injection pressure and longer cycle time
Shrinkage & Warpage	+	=	-	Favourable for amorphous but limited advantages with flame retardant grades. PP affected by high warpage.
Flame retardant behaviour	=	+	=	PA easy to modify with flame retardant additives (UL 94-V0 also at 0,4 mm) High FR additives load requested for PP, Amorphous difficult to modify.
Prolonged exposure to high temperature	-	+	-	In case of long heat exposure both amorphous and PP are unsuitable. Associated with creep and fatigue the effect of high heat and long exposure is even more critical

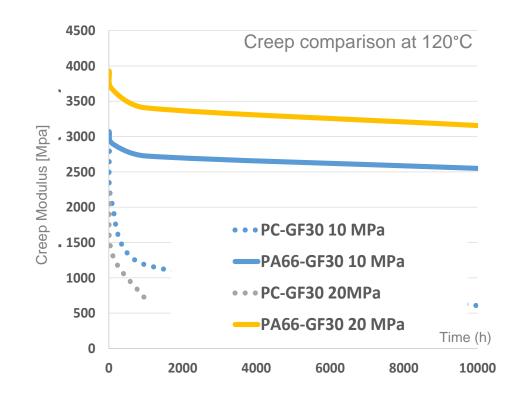
## **Creep resistance**

## PA vs PC: long term mechanical properties



The graphs show the creep behavior at 60 and 120 °C. Polyamide loaded with 30% glass fiber shows a clearly superior performance compared to PC-GF30. This behavior is accentuated with increasing temperature and stress level. The poor creep resistance is also affecting other amorphous materials such as PC-ABS, ABS and M-PPO.



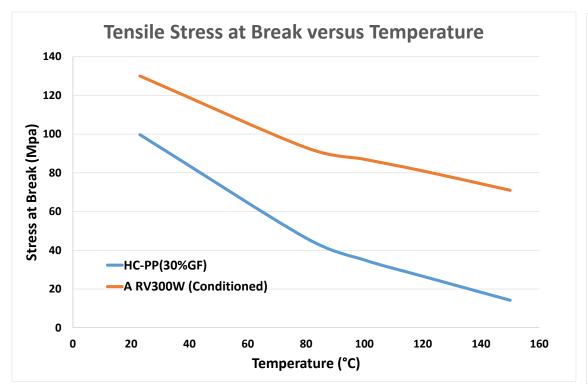


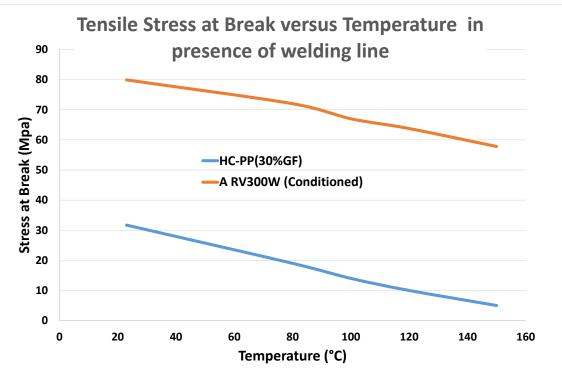
## **Property comparison**

## Radilon® A RV300W (PA66-GF30) and high cristallinity PP-GF30



The tensile strength at break of high crystallinity PP-GF30, compared with that of Radilon® A RV300W (PA66-GF30) decreases rapidly with increasing temperature (left graph). This behavior is strongly accentuated in the presence of welding lines (right graph).





# **Electrical properties**



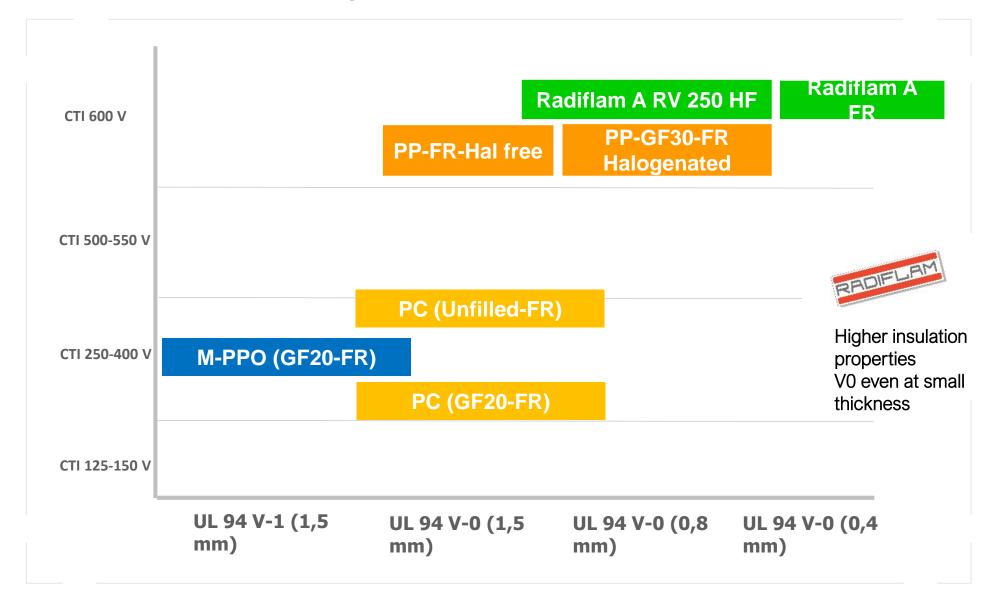
### Flame retardancy and CTI

PA vs PP and amorphous materials

- > Polyamide based materials, both filled and unfilled, are easily modified to obtain flame retardant products.
- > PP-based products need a greater quantity of flame retardant additives with particularly negative consequences on mechanical properties.
- > The highly viscous amorphous materials (PC, PC-ABS, M-PPO) are not easy to modify with FR additives and are critical especially in the presence of limited thicknesses.

# Flame retardancy and CTI





# **Application examples**Traction Battery System



#### Cell management controller housing

#### Main requirements:

Good insulation and flame retardant properties
Part planarity
Easy molding
Chemical resistance (battery electrolytes, LV124)

#### Material:

Radiflam® A RV250AF, PA66-GF25, FR (52+72) UL-V0 at 0.8 mm, CTI=400

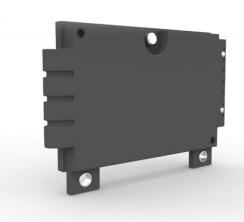
#### **Battery module cover**

#### Main requirements:

Flame retardant
Part planarity
Easy molding
Chemical resistance (battery electrolytes, LV124)

#### Material:

Radiflam® A RV250HF, PA66-GF25, FR (40) UL-V0 at 0.8 mm, CTI=600





# **Application examples**Traction Battery System



#### **Battery carrier**

#### Main requirements:

Good insulation and flame retardant properties
Part planarity
Creep resistance
Easy molding
Chemical resistance (battery electrolytes, LV124)

#### Materials:

Radiflam® A FR, PA66, FR (30), UL-V0 at 0.8 mm, CTI=600 Radiflam® A RV250HF, PA66-GF25, FR (40), UL-V0 at 0.8 mm, CTI=600

#### Pouch cell frame

#### Main requirements:

Flame retardant
Dimensional tolerances
High stress
Chemical resistance (battery electrolytes, LV124)

#### Material:

Radiflam® A RV350HF, PA66-GF35, FR (40), UL-V0 at 0.8 mm, CTI=600



# **Application examples**Charging System



#### E-charger plug - EV recharge socket

#### Main requirements:

FR grades, GWIT 775°C, Halogen&Red phosphorous free

Excellent Insulation properties (CTI up to 600V and more for fast charging)

UL746C f1 Ultraviolet Light Exposure, Water Exposure and Immersion in accordance with UL 746C)

Resistant to cooling fluids (high power (fast) charging (HPC) only)

#### Materials:

Radilon® S ERV70T, GF filled PA6, UL-V2, UV resistant, many colours

Radiflam® A RV250HF, 25% GF PA66, FR (40)





# **Application examples**Connectivity System



#### **Connectors**

Main requirements:

Stability of the orange colour

Excellent insulation properties (CTI 600V)

Excellent dielectric strength vs temperature (> 10 kV at 150 °C)

Flame retardancy UL-94 at 0,4 mm

Excellent fluidity for thin parts

Laser marking

Halide free to prevent circuit corrosion



# **Application examples**Connectivity System



#### **Connectors**

Materials:

Radiflam® A FR, PA66, FR (30) Radiflam® S FR, PA6, FR(30)

Radiflam® Aestus T2 RV300HF, PPA-GF30, FR (40)

Raditer® B ERV300TKB, special products PBT's based. Improved hydrolysis resistance

Radilon® A RV350KN, PA66-GF35, electrically "neutral" Radilon® S RV300KN, PA6-GF30, electrically "neutral" Radilon® S RV400KN, PA6-GF40, electrically "neutral"

Radiflam® A RV300HF, PA66-GF30, FR (40), orange colour RAL 2003 Radiflam® A FR, PA66, FR (30), orange colour RAL 2003



# **Application examples**Power electronic



#### **Power electronic components**

#### Main requirements:

Excellent electrical insulation properties (CTI 600V) retention
Excellent dielectric strength vs temperature (> 10 kV at 150 °C)
Flame retardancy UL-94 at 0,4 mm
Thermal Conductivity to safeguard the integrity of the electrical and electronic components in case of excessive temperature rise
EMI shielding
Good mechanical properties
Low/zero halide content

#### Materials:

Radiflam® A RV300HF, PA66-GF30, FR (40)

Radiflam® S RV300HF, PA6-GF30, FR (40)

Radiflam® S RV100FR, PA6-GF10, FR (61+72), thermally conductive, low smoke density and toxicity

Radiflam® Aestus T2 RV300HF, PPA-GF30, FR (40)



IGBT base (Radiflam® A RV300HF)

# **Application examples**Thermal management



#### Cooling pipes quick connectors - cooling pipes

#### Main requirements:

Hydrolysis resistance
Excellent chemical resistance
Resistance to road salts
Good mechanical strength (pressure resistance)

#### Materials (extrusion):

Radilon® DT LX19067, PA612, flexible, improved hydrolysis resistance. T max = 125°C Radilon® DT 40E50USR, PA612, flexible

#### Materials (injection molding)

Radilon® A RV300RG, PA66-GF30, hydrolysis resistant

Radilon® D RV300RG, PA610-GF30, excellent hydrolysis resistant, good dimensional stability

Radilon® Aestus T1 RV330RG, PPA-GF30, superior hydrolysis resistant, good dimensional stability

Raditeck® P RV400K, PPS-GF40, superior hydrolysis resistance, exceptional chemical resistance, inherently flame retardant, superior dimensional stability



Cooling pipes quick connectors (Radilon® A RV300RG)



Cooling pipes (Radilon® DT 40E50USR)

# Advanced solutions with innovative composites



### **Battery housing & cover**

#### Main requirements:

Superior impact resistance
High stiffness
High strength at break
EMI shielding
Chemical resistance versus battery electrolytes, oil, cooling liquids, etc

Innovative solution under evaluation with special composite prepregs



# **Thermoplastic Composites**

## RadiciGroup Innovation & Research | Scouting project



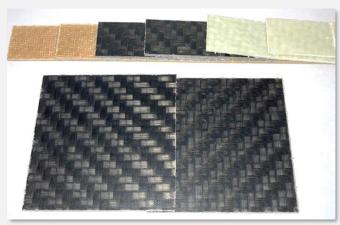
### Innovative composite prepregs

Consolidated semi-finished laminates based on polyamide matrix and woven fabrics, suitable for thermoforming and back-injection processes.

Fibers for the woven fabrics are chosen between:

- > Glass for high stiffness and strength
- > Specialty fibers for improved impact resistance and weight saving
- Hybrid fibers combining the advantages of both GF and specialty fibers





Samples from preliminary impregnation/consolidation production process

## **Advanced Lightweight solutions**

High Performance Thermoplastics + Continuous Fiber Reinforcements (UD and woven solutions)



### **Drop weight impact**

Sandwich structure with cross ply using GF UD tapes Core: Radistrong® A RV500W

Sandwich structure with specialty fibers reinforced laminates Core: Radistrong® A RV500W

Impact energy for fracture is significantly improved with specialty fibers and glass fibers.



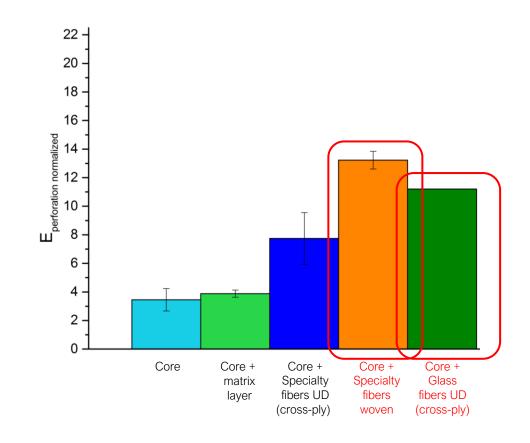
Core only:



Sandwich structure (specialty fibers woven): NO PARTS SHUTTERING



Sandwich structure: (glass fibers UD) NO PARTS SHUTTERING



# **Key takeaways**



The evolution of the electric car towards a battery system with higher power density and greater autonomy requires materials with high and multiple characteristics.

Durability, reliability & components safety are non-negotiable features.

Polyamides, thanks to their good mechanical and durability characteristics, are suitable for extensive use in electric cars. Polyamides, unlike amorphous polymers and PP, are particularly suitable for being modified with additives capable of conferring properties such as flame resistance.

The severe technical performance required by electric mobility may require the introduction of multifunctional materials with specific characteristics (tailor made solutions).

For this reason, RadiciGroup High Performance Polymers makes available to its customers and partners all the necessary resources to face these new challenges together.





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# Auto sector: new polyamides for use at high temperatures



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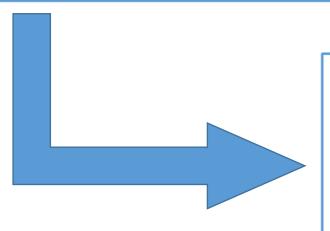
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### **Automotive trends**



- > Electrification
- > Engine downsizing
- > Turbocharging
- Thermal management for ICE, hybrid vehicle and BEV



- Increase air temperature
- > Higher chemical resistance
- Integrated cooling system (WCAC)
- > Auxiliary heat exchanger for electric systems

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# RadiciGroup's offer for high temperature applications





# Radilon® NeXTreme: CUT up to 230 °C



> Radilon® NeXtreme

PA based, contains a semi-aromatic component that, in combination with the additives used against thermo-oxidation, further raises the continuous service temperature. This product line represents the higher level of thermal protection.

### Key features

- Excellent properties retention up to 230 °C in contact with hot air
- > Improved chemical resistance
- > Lower moisture absorption versus PA66
- > Easy moulding

## Radilon® NeXTreme RV350HHR

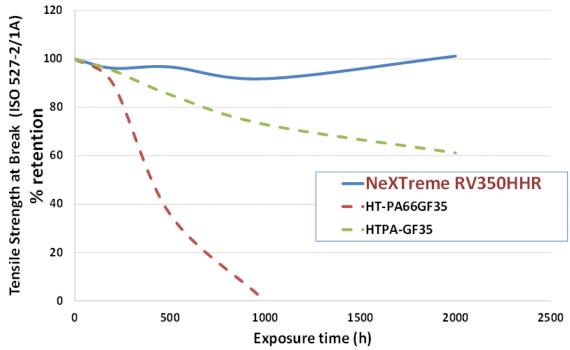


### Exposure at 230°C:

After 2000 hrs the value of tensile strength at break remains unchanged.

> The special high temperature polyamide used as a benchmark shows instead a reduction of about 40%.





# Radilon® HHR: CUT up to 210 °C



> Radilon® HHR (High Heat Resistant):

PA66 based, a blend of special additives has been incorporated to limit the thermal oxidative process

### Key features

- > Excellent properties retention up to 210 °C in contact with hot air
- > Excellent welding line resistance

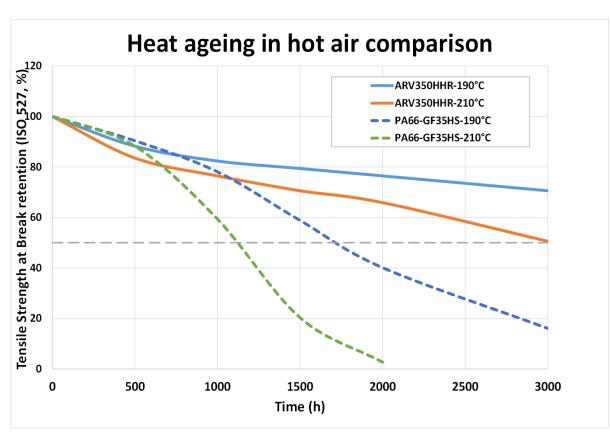
## Radilon® A RV350HHR



### Exposure at 210°C and 190°C:

- After 3000 hrs @ 190°C and 210°C the value of tensile strength reach the target of 50% of retention.
- Standard heat stabilized PA66-GF35 shows a strong degradation at both temperature and the residual tensile strength is close to zero





Serial application: Turbo Resonator

# Torzen® Marathon: CUT up to 190 °C



Torzen® Marathon :

PA66 based, improved thermal ageing resistance versus standard PA66 through the use of special additives capable of slowing the degradation process at high temperature in the presence of oxygen

### Key features

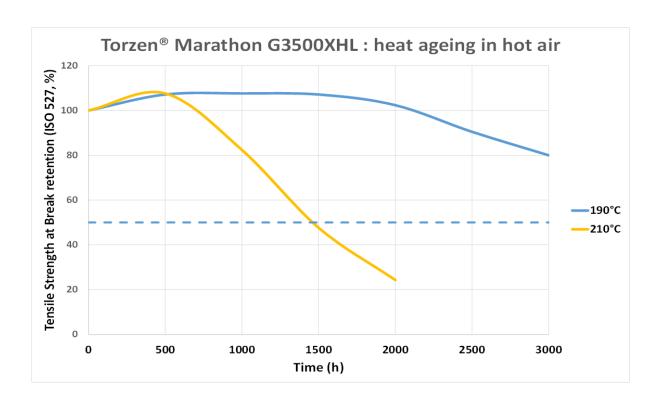
- > Excellent properties retention up to 190 °C in contact with hot air
- > Easy flow grade, high productivity
- > Excellent welding line resistance
- > Electrical neutral

## Torzen® Marathon G3500XHL



### Exposure at 190°C:

After 3000 hrs @190°C the value of tensile strength at break remains abundantly above 50%





Serial application: Charge Air Cooler Torzen® Marathon G3500XHL

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## Radilon® S LX20076 - PA6-GF HT



Why PA6-GF for high cut?

Give a new opportunity for high temperature applications avoiding the use of over-engineered materials in the range temperature of 160°c to 180°c

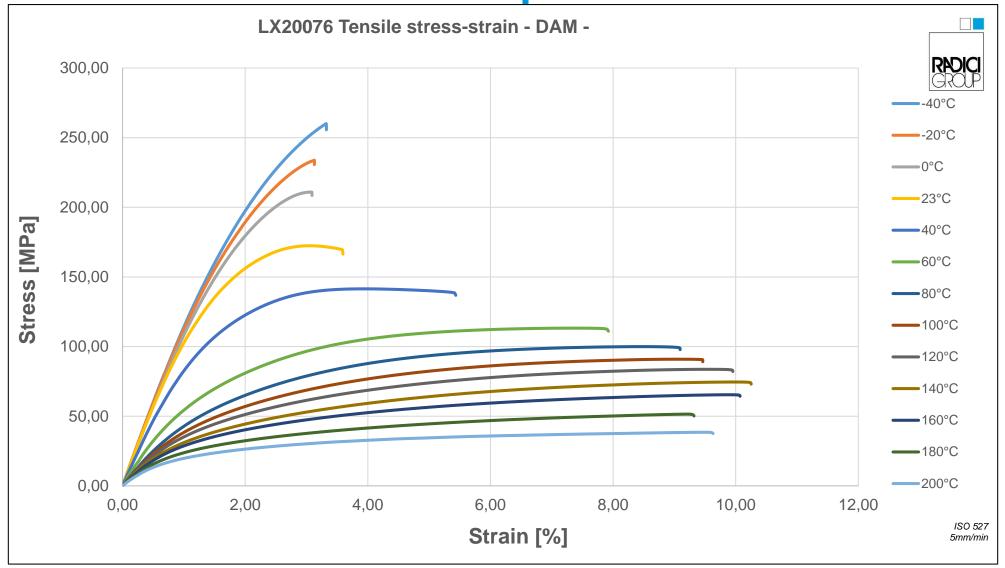
## Radilon® S LX20076 - Mechanical and thermal properties



Radilon® S LX20076 (PA6-GF35)				
		DAM	COND	
Properties	Unit			
HDT @1,80MPa	°C	200		
Density	g/cm3	1,405		
Melting temperature	°C	216		
Charpy notched @23°C	KJ/m2	14,2	20,8	
Charpy notched @-30°C	KJ/m2	10,1	15,9	
Charpy unnotched @23°C	KJ/m2	89,5	99,9	
Charpy unnotched @-30°C	KJ/m2	68,5	90,5	
Tensile modulus	MPa	11720	7310	
Tensile strenght	MPa	168	111	
Tensile elongation	%	3,58	7,76	
Flexural modulus	MPa	9180	6405	
Flex Strenght	MPa	265	155	

# Radilon® S LX20076 Tensile curves different temperature

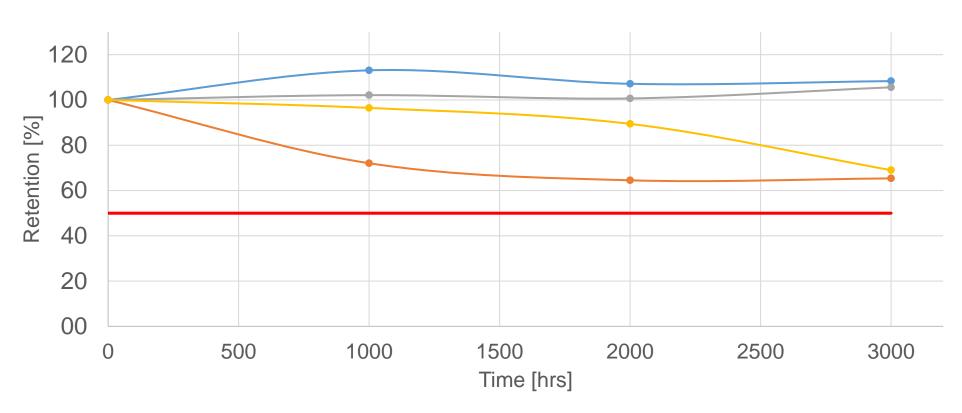




# Radilon® S LX20076 Mechanical properties after ageing @170°C



Mechanical properties retention @23°C after ageing 3000hrs @170°C



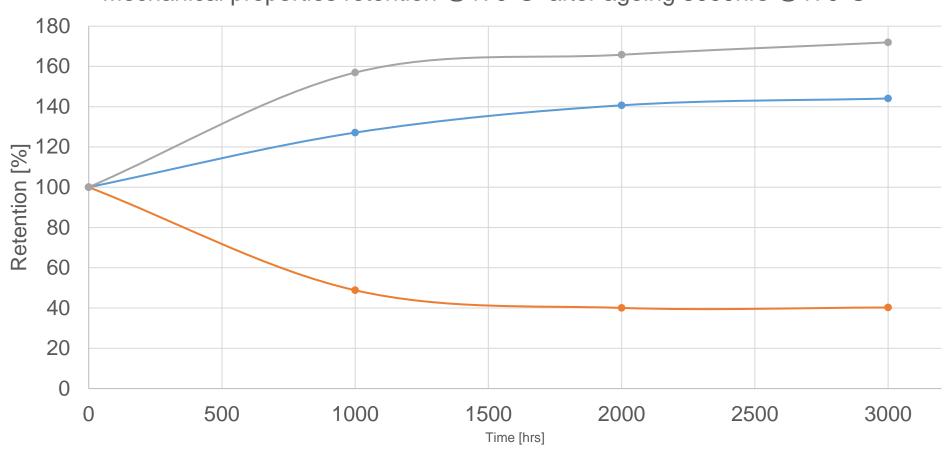
After thermal ageing all the mechanical properties are above the limit of 50%

- → Tensile strength retention → Elongation retention

## Radilon® S LX20076 Mechanical properties after ageing @ 170°C



Mechanical properties retention @170°C after ageing 3000hrs @170°C

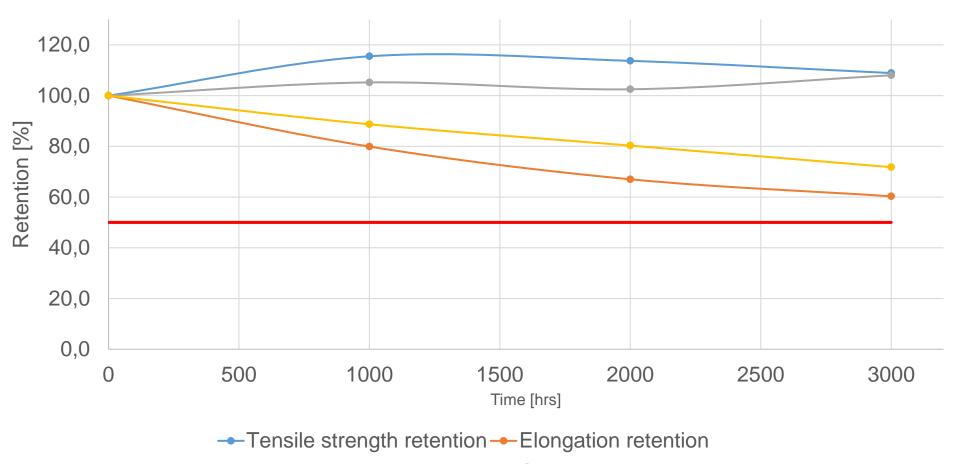


The mechanical properties in temperature after ageing show very high retention performances

## Radilon® S LX20076 Mechanical properties after ageing @ 190°C



Mechanical properties retention @23°C after ageing 3000hrs @190°C



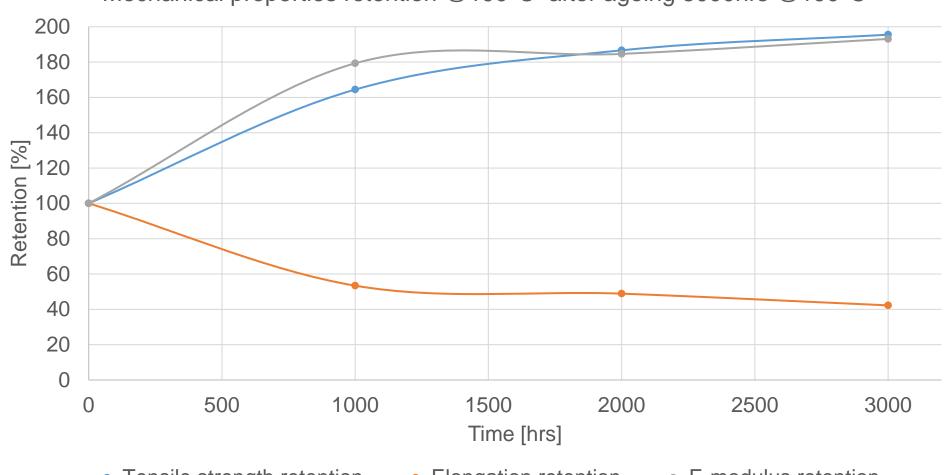
After thermal ageing all the mechanical properties are above the limit of 50%

- E-modulus retention
- Charpy notched retention

# Radilon® S LX20076 - Mechanical properties after ageing @ 190°C



Mechanical properties retention @190°C after ageing 3000hrs @190°C



The mechanical properties in temperature after ageing show very high retention performances

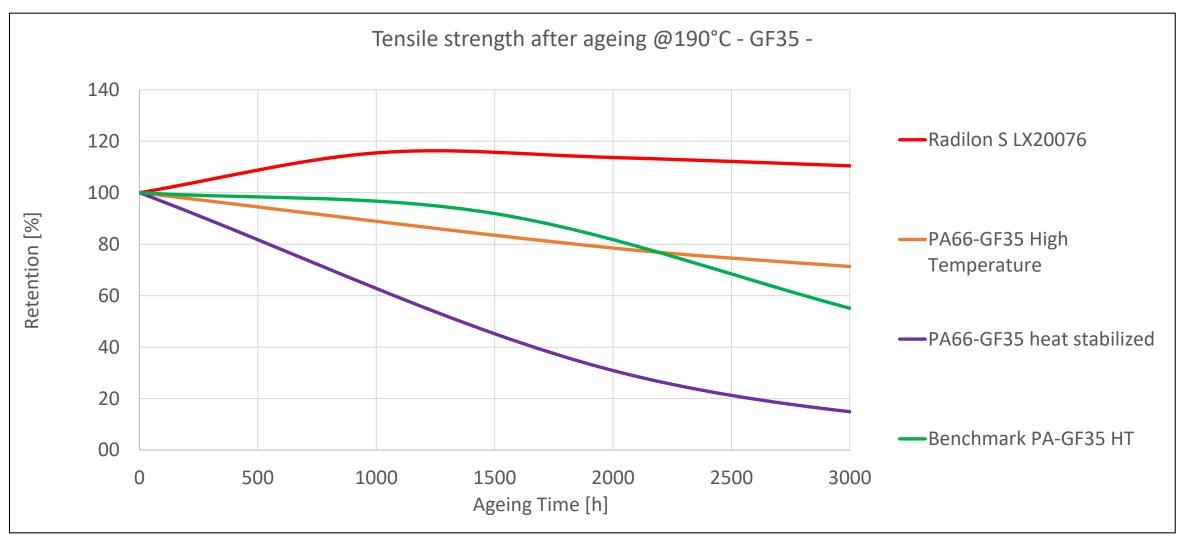
Tensile strength retention

Elongation retention

E-modulus retention

## Radilon® S LX20076 - Comparison vs other materials





## Radilon® S LX20076 - strenghts & weaknesses



	Radilon® S LX20076 VS PA6-GF HS	Radilon® S LX70076 VS PA66-GF HT
Mechanical performances	=	- (possible solution add GF)
Mechanical performances in temperature after ageing	+	- (possible solution add GF)
Resistance to temperature	++	+
Creep	=	-
Fatigue	=	-
Processability	=	+
Weldability	=	=

## Radilon® S LX20076 - Other peculiarities



→ Electrical neutral → suitable for applications in e-vehicles

> Colourable -> orange for high voltage applications in e-vehicles

→ DPPD free → health safety

> Very low powder formation on surface after thermal ageing in hot air

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## **Conclusion**



- RadiciGroup can offer a complete range of materials suitable for high temperature applications
- > Each grade has its peculiarity in terms of maximun CUT
- The new grade Radilon® S LX20076 has shown higher temperature resistance than PA66-GF HT (up to 190°C) – max operating temperature suggested 180 – 185°C
- The mechanical weaknesses of Radilon® S LX20076 can be improved, if necessary, adding glass fiber and/or improving the component design
- Radilon® S LX20076 with its mechanical, thermal and physical properties is ready to be used in all type of Vehicles (ICE, HYBRID, BEV)



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# Effective structural part design optimization



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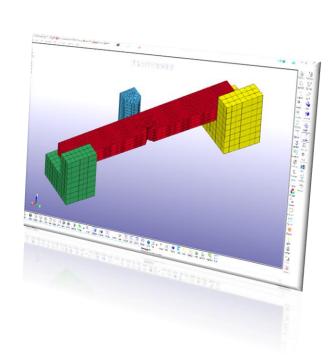
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## **Summary**



- > RadiciGroup HPP as a partner for design
- > Metal Replacement, Eco-Design and CAE Service
- > Advanced approach to simulations: integrating technology and performance
- Case study: anisotropic modeling of creep/stress relaxation for an automotive safety component

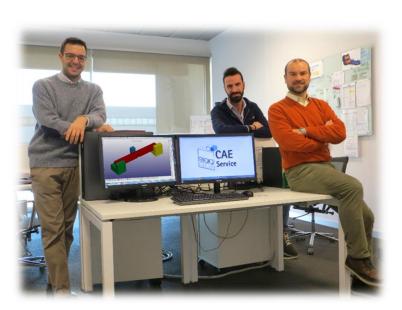




## RadiciGroup HPP as a partner for design



- Through its Global *Marketing and Applications Development* team and capillary *Sales Network*, Radici HPP provides professional support to customers through all phases of the design process:
  - Concept phase: proposals and consulting
  - > Translation of Functional Requests into Material Properties
  - > Preliminary Material Selection
  - > Support and consulting for comparative cost estimation
  - Support and consulting during re-design phase
  - Support with CAE analysis, process simulation and structural simulation, with integrated approach
  - > Environmental impact: certified support for material LCA
  - Technical service support during prototyping, molding trials, test on final parts



## Metal Replacement – Key concept



> Change MATERIAL, maintain FUNCTIONALITY, gain ADVANTAGES



"Metal to **Technopolymer**"



Not a "volume refilling" but a re-engineering process!



- ✓ Weight reduction
- ✓ Form design freedom
- ✓ Integration of functions
- Reduction of post-manufacturingAesthetics, color
- ✓ Total cost of part (≠ cost per kg!!!)

#### **START**

Identification of part(s) to be replaced

Preliminary cost analysis

Definition of targets and goals

## Functional analysis

Identification of part requirements

Identification of desired material properties

Pre-selection of Material and Technology

Comparative cost analysis

#### Re-design

Integration of functions

Plastic design (guidelines)

Design for Manufacturing, for Assembly...

#### **CAE** validation

Processability (Injection Molding)

Mechanical performance (Structural)

Design Modifications (iterative process)

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#### **Prototyping**

Rapid prototyping / Soft tooling /...

Functional tests on prototypes

Validation and finetuning

#### Scale-up

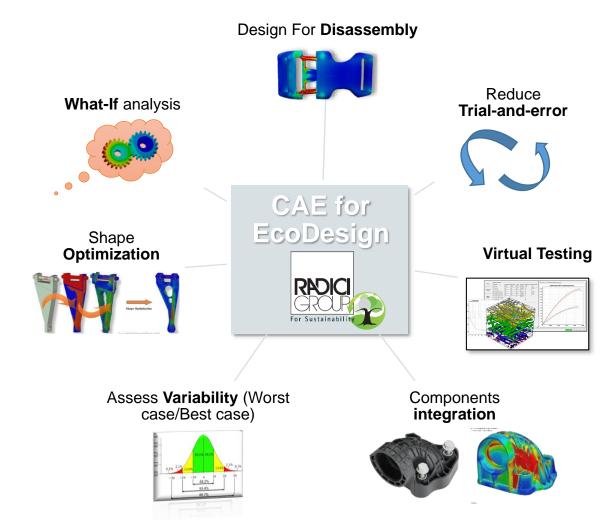
Definitive tooling

Functional tests on pre-series

Validation and production

## **CAE** for EcoDesign



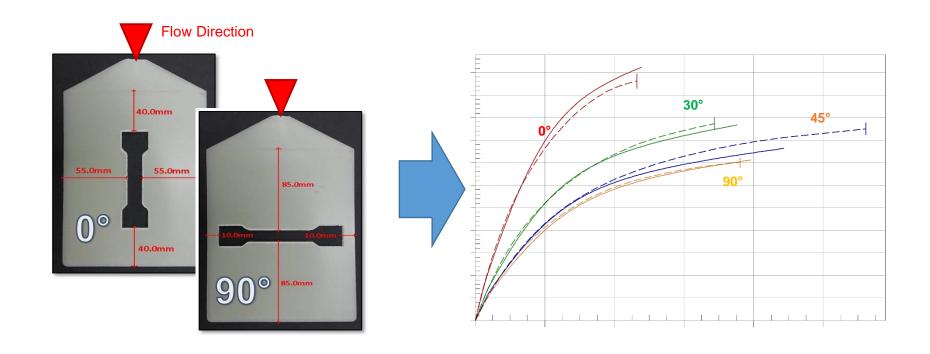


- Design for Disassembly: be able to easily dismantle the item at end-of-life, making easy to recover recyclable parts
- Trial-and-error minimized, saving time and material for disruptive trials and prototyping
- Formulation of new materials made quicker by use of multi-scale virtual testing
- Possible to reduce the number of components by integrating in few multi-functional parts
- Assessing variability which is intrinsic in recycled materials, evaluating best/worst cases
- Optimize the shape of items by fully exploiting the potential of materials
- > Explore alternative solutions (what-if?)

## **Integrated Approach to Simulation**



- > Short Glass Fiber reinforcements have a significant aspect ratio (>20)
- Mechanical properties of GFRP heavily depend on the orientation of fibres with respect to loading direction (anisotropy): PROPERTIES = f(MICROSTRUCTURE)



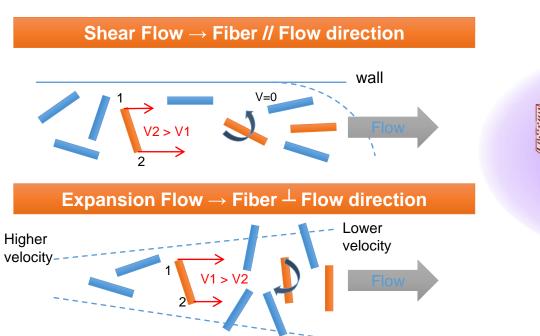
## **Integrated Approach to Simulation**

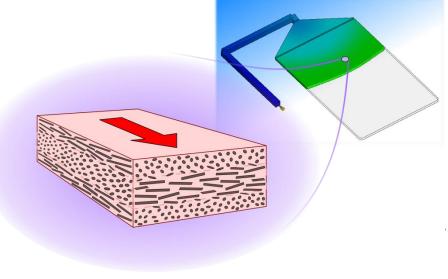


Such orientation is a consequence of the phenomena which occur during the mould filling phase, thus they are related to part's geometry and transformation process:

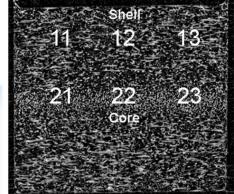
MICROSTRUCTURE = f(PROCESS)

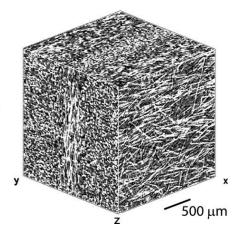
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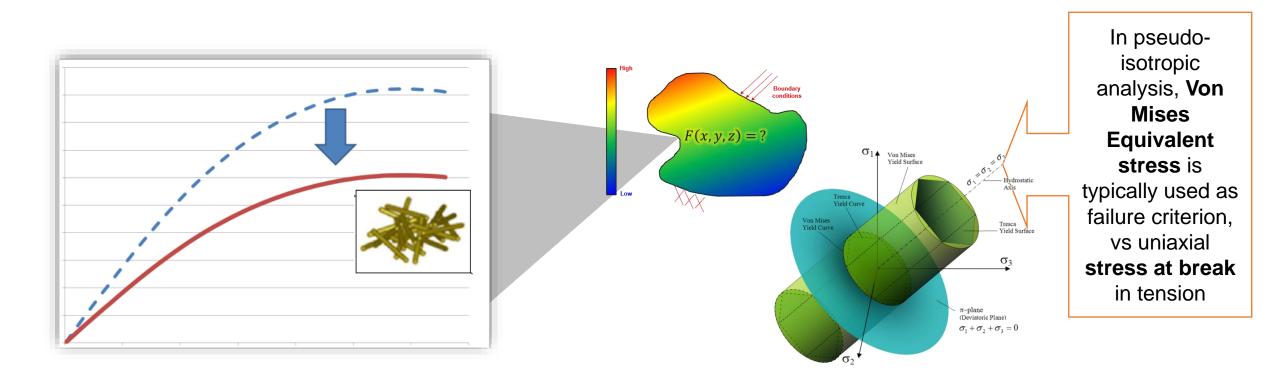




## «Classic» CAE: pseudo-isotropic approximation

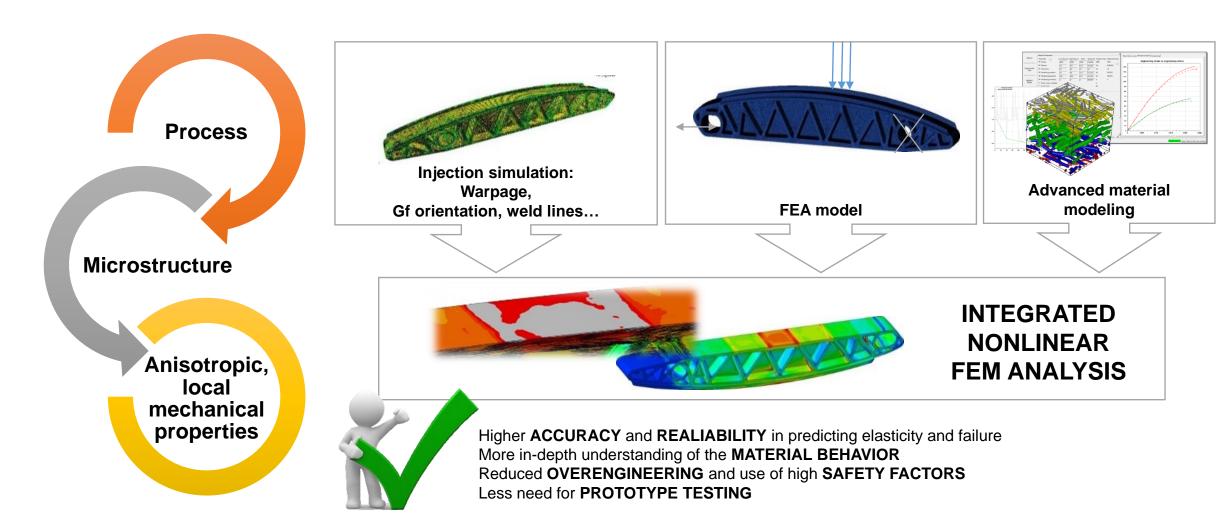


- > Simplifying assumption: material is treated as <a href="https://www.nobserver.com/homogeneous">homogeneous</a> and <a href="https://www.nobserver.com/homogeneous">isotropic</a>, with characteristics equivalent to <a href="https://www.nobserver.com/homogeneous">fibres oriented in a random manner</a>
- > This is practically done by **rescaling** ISO-527 data (from TDS), obtained on very oriented specimens, with an appropriate **penalty factor** which is accounted by analyst's experience



## **Advanced CAE workflow: Integration**

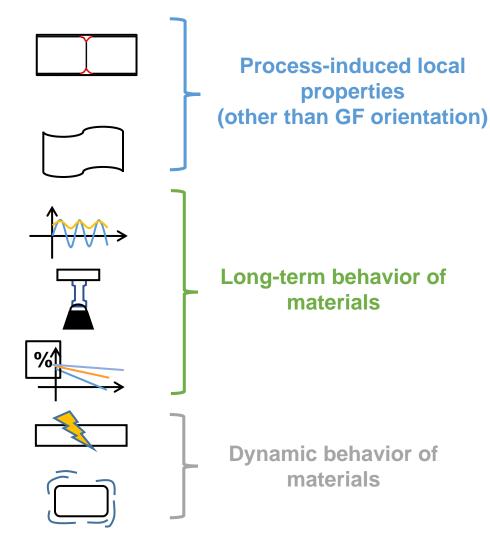




## Advanced CAE workflow: more fields of simulation

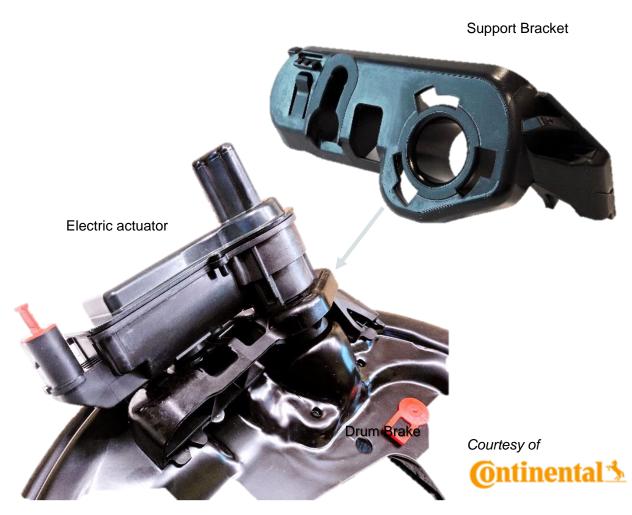


- Weldlines Taking into consideration strength reduction according to formation conditions
- Warpage Applying the deformation induced by injection molding to the structural mesh
- > **Fatigue** Prevision of Critical N to failure on the part
- Creep Deformation under continuous steady load
- Thermal / Chemical ageing
- High Speed loading (crash, impact...)
- Vibrations / damping



## Industrial case: Electric Parking Brake (EPB) fixation support bracket





HEV and EV tend to increase the use of **drum brakes** vs **disc brakes**:

- Less need of maintenance
- > Environmental impact no loss of particulate/powder on the road
- Need less break-in period
- Cheaper constructive solution
- The lower need of HEV for braking power overcomes most of the cons of drum brakes

**Lightweight**, **modular** solutions to integrate electronic-controlled actuators to brake assembly

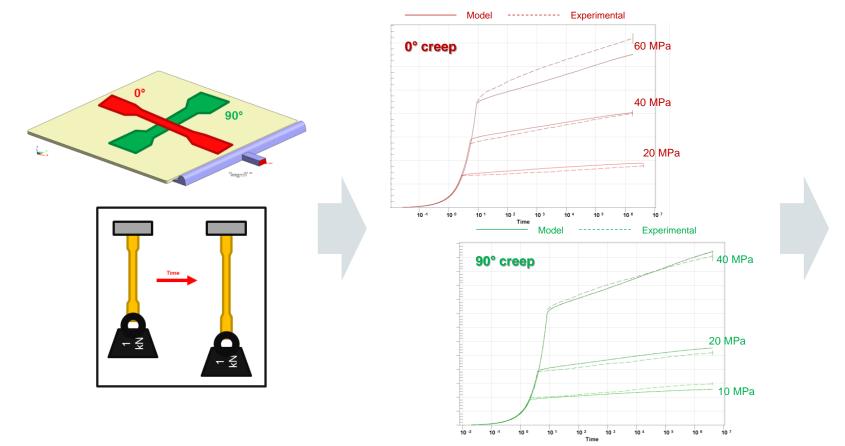
- > Form freedom
- Adaptability / Standardization
- Minimum increase in weight to keep under control consumption and emissions

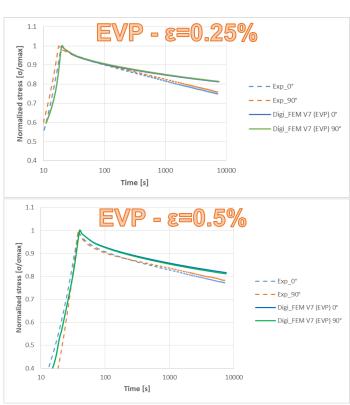
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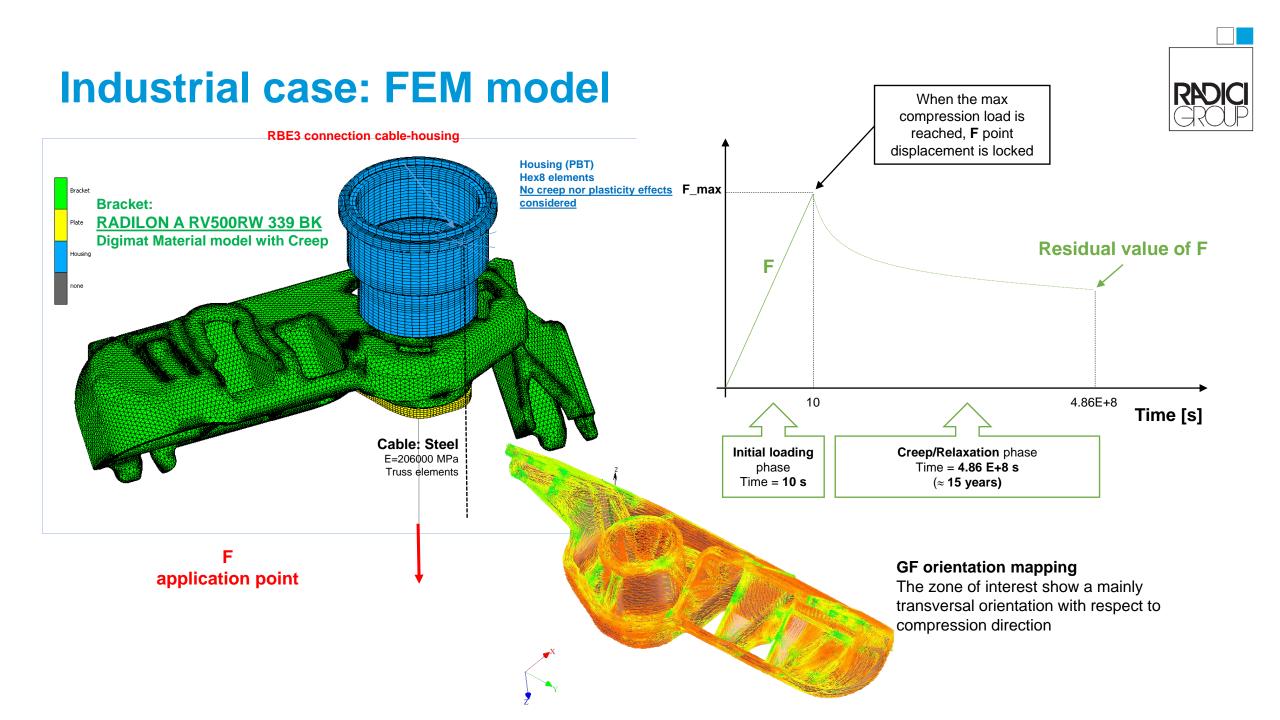
## Industrial case: Creep/Relaxation modelling



- > Park brake maintained for long periods of time -> Loss of braking force (stress relaxation)?
- Need to characterize and model the material's visco-elastic response (creep)



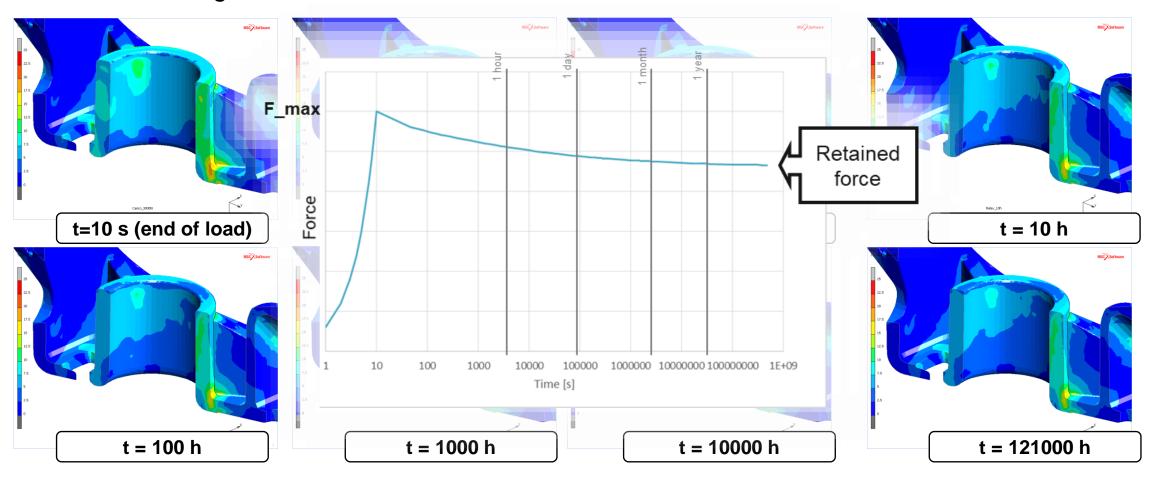




## Industrial case: Stress Relaxation results



#### VM Stress through time



## **Conclusions**



- In today's competitive scenario, being able to accurately predict the structural behavior of technopolymer-made items since the earliest phases of design is essential for timely and successful projects
- An advanced approach to CAE, which unites a deep understanding of material science, an accurate know-how in technology, and a faithful representation of working structure, is the key to achieve such accuracy
- > Through a close collaboration with its Customers, RadiciGroup High Performance Polymers is able to provide state-of-the-art support and expertise to reach demanding targets in metal replacement and performance-driven projects

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