

# Santoprene® TPV

The sustainable elastomeric material solution Contact Oliver Kloth (oliver.kloth@celanese.com) December 2022



## Sustainable engineered materials solutions







## **AFM** micrograph



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# Performs like rubber, processes and recycles easily like plastic

- Broad range of Shore hardness 35A to 50D
- Temperature resistance -60°C to 135°C

Rubber (cross-linked EPDM)

Thermoplastic (polypropylene)

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## New Santoprene® TPV ECO-R platform





Contains a minimum of 15% and 25% post-consumer recycle (PCR) content\*



Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV quality consistency



**Global availability** 



Suitable for injection molding and extrusion

Physical property	Test method* based on	Units	Santoprene® TPV 101-80 ECO-R	Santoprene® TPV 101-87 ECO-R
PCR content	-	%	Minimum 15%	Minimum 25%
Color			black	black
Specific Gravity	ASTM D792	g/cm³	0.98	0.96
Hardness (15s)	ISO 868	Shore A	80	92
LCR App Viscosity 204 °C	TPE-0200	Pa.s @ 200s <sup>-1</sup>	331	317
	TPE-0200	Pa.s @ 1200s <sup>-1</sup>	89	90
Tensile stress at 100% elongation	ASTM D412	MPa	3.7	6.7
Tensile strength at break	ASTM D412	MPa	7.6	8.6
Elongation at break	ASTM D412	%	495	520
Compression set, RT 22h, 25% strain	ASTM D395B	%	30	38
Compression set, 125°C 70h, 25% strain	ASTM D395B	%	56	56

\* Certification available for Santoprene® TPV 101-80 ECO-R with minimum 15% PCR content

## Santoprene® TPV: Easier to recycle than thermoset rubber





## Easy recycling as with other thermoplastics

- Strong property retention after several rounds of molding & regrinding
- Enables waste reduction via in-house recycling
  - Drying of regrind is recommended

Santoprene® TPV 101-87: Lot# PDA3019 test conducted with 20% regrind material, 80% virgin; blow molded and regrinded, properties measured on injection molded plaque

Santoprene® TPV 101-80 ECO-R: Lot# PXG5958 test conducted with 100% regrind material; properties measured on injection molded plaque

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#### Additional in-use phase potential for downstream footprint benefits via vehicle light-weighting

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## **ECO-Design with Santoprene® TPV**





- ECO-Design considers environmental aspects of the entire product development process
- Create products with lowest possible environmental impact
- Reduce: raw materials, weight, production steps, parts, waste, energy



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- Create products with lowest possible environmental impact
- Reduce: raw materials, weight, production steps, parts, waste, energy
- Reuse: raw materials & waste, energy
- Repair: options to disassemble, tutorials and spare parts
- Recover: devices, parts, upgradability
- **Dispose:** parts, waste



- Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV ECO-R platform
- Design freedom with thermoplastic processing

## property retention

## **Proven long-term performance**

After 22 service years in facade sealing, Santoprene® TPV profiles were tested vs new profiles for retrofit

Physical property	Test method* based on	Units	Old profile	New 121-67W175
Shore A Hardness	ExxonMobil method	Shore A	57	56
Tensile at 100% elongation	ISO 37, Type 1	MPa	3.0	2.5
Tensile strength at break	ISO 37, Type 1	MPa	7.4	6.8
Elongation at break	ISO 37, Type 1	%	406	504
Compression set 125°C 70h, 25% strain	ExxonMobil method	%	28	** 27

- Strong property retention for reduced maintenance and less replacements
- Option to use Santoprene® TPV ECO-R (PCR)



<sup>\*, \*\*:</sup> More information in backup slide



#### Refining our Targets to reduce our impact

Environmental initiatives play a key role in building solutions to support customers' sustainability objectives and improving the sustainability of our existing products:

- We have set 2030 goals to reduce water, waste, energy, and GHG intensity
- Goals are based on the 2021 environmental metrics we are sharing in the <u>Celanese sustainability report</u>, and have taken the added step to have ERM CVS, provide limited assurance of these baseline numbers
- Our intensity-based environmental targets are founded on production for Celanese owned and operated assets to provide increased transparency around the impact of future organic and inorganic growth opportunities through mergers and acquisitions



[1] 2021 Baseline

# Santoprene® TPV: the sustainable solution for soft materials



- ✓ Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV ECO-R with PCR content
- ✓ Easier to recycle than thermoset rubber
- $\checkmark$  Up to 59 % CO<sub>2</sub> footprint reduction potential vs EPDM
- ✓ Supports ECO-design principles
- ✓ Part of broad Celanese material portfolio
- ✓ Collaborating for expanding ECO offering

To learn more, view our sustainability website: www.celanese.com/corporate-sustainability-strategy



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# Santoprene® TPV ECO-R Grades

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## Similar performance to other Santoprene® TPV grades





#### Aging performance

- Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV features good aging performance
- Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV ECO-R aging performance in line with comparable Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV grades

### **Bonding strength**

- Bonding strength is important for co-extrusion,
  2k molding or corner moldings in glass run channels
- Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV ECO-R bonding to standard grades and B200 series is in line with comparable Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV grades

# Santoprene ® TPV ECO-R demonstrates good processability





#### Shrinkage

- Shrinkage is important for extrusion processes and mold design for injection molding
- Low shrinkage (<0.5%) meets requirements for glass run channel extrusion
- ECO-R shrinkage in line with comparable Santoprene<sup>®</sup> TPV grades

### **Spiral flow**

- Important for injection molding and extrusion
- Comparable behavior to standard Santoprene® TPV grades

# Potential application: weather seal glass-run channel (GRC)





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## Potential application: cooling hose for electric vehicles





### **Application description**

- Cooling hose in electric vehicles
- Transports cooling liquid to battery and other heat emitting parts
- Depending on pressure, re-enforcement with braiding needed

### **Benefits of Santoprene® TPV ECO-R**

- Incorporate post-consumer-recycle (PCR) and reduce carbon footprint
- Enables mono-material or fully polyolefinic solution that is easier to recycle than EPDM
- Weight savings vs EPDM



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## Santoprene® TPV in robotic extrusion cowl vent panel seals





#### Application and process description

- Sealing of cowl vent panel (PP) to windscreen
- EPDM seal produced via rubber extrusion and metal reinforcement
- Manually mounted onto cowl vent panel

### ECO-Design with Santoprene® TPV

- Robotic extrusion process automatically applies seal to cowl vent panel
- No clamping mechanism needed due to chemical bonding to PP panel
- Weight savings with thinner design and lower density vs EPDM
- ► Easy to recycle polyolefinic solution

# Santoprene® TPV in renewable energy applications

#### **Commercial application examples**

- Photovoltaic (PV) connectors
- Strain relief for auxiliary PV equipment
- PV sealing caps
- PV cushion pad for frame clamp system

#### **Reasons for success**

- Great sealing performance
- Excellent weather resistance, outstanding electrical properties and flame retardancy
- UL listing
- Easy processing via injection molding and extrusion



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# Santoprene® TPV in electric vehicle charging infrastructure

#### **Commercial application examples**

- Charging plug grip
- Strain relief and caps
- Auxiliary equipment

#### **Reasons for success**

- Easier to recycle
- Soft-touch and aesthetics
- Excellent weather resistance, outstanding electrical properties and flame retardancy
- UL listing



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# **Product CO<sub>2</sub> footprint calculator**



- An Excel tool to calculate "estimated" CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/kg product) based on <u>Cradle-to-Gate</u> approach
- Global industry average CO<sub>2</sub> footprint for each raw material used in manufacturing (or its close proxy\*) is pre-populated using LCA database, regional association studies, and literature
  - No Scope 1 (direct GHG emissions) are considered due to minimum impact from compounding step
  - Scope 2 (indirect GHG emissions from purchased electricity) and Scope 3 (upstream GHG emissions – from raw materials) are considered
- Accounts for at least 95% of the formulation
- Calculations include high level estimates of energy needed for compounding, material packaging and transport
- Each report is specific to a grade

**Gelanese** Celanese Carbon Footprint Estimate

Product Carbon Footprint Estimate			
Prepared by	Prashant Bhadane		
Prepared by Title	Product Specialist		
Date	3/17/2022		
Customer Prepared for	OEM		
Overall Results			
Product Name	Santoprene® 101-80		
	2 kgCO2eq/kg product		
Product Carbon Pootprint	1.92 kgCO2eq/L product		
Calculated carbon footprint results are based predominately on industry average carbon footprint values			
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\*when data is unavailable



Product CO <sub>2</sub> footprint (PCF)	Life-cycle analysis (LCA)
Provides high-level estimate of Global Warming Potential (GWP) of the product	Provides specific, more real-life impact on environment including GWP
Not specific to Celanese products	Specific to Celanese product, process, sites
Uses database and literature value	Uses Celanese primary data
Only total CO <sub>2</sub> value for the product	Specific data of each aspect contribution, able to understand main drivers and how to improve
Difficult to assess alternative options	Understand technology and regional impact

Since compounding operations are comparatively straightforward, PCF value provides a quick insight into GWP of the product. LCA, on the other hand, is a more useful tool for a base polymer resin producer.



Test Items	Test Method	Unit	Old UOB profile	New 121- 67W175 profile
Hardness	*ExxonMobil method (extruded sheet)	Shore A	57	56
Tensile @25% elongation	*ExxonMobil method based on ISO 37,Type 1	MPa	1.72	1.35
Tensile @100% elongation	*ExxonMobil method based on ISO 37,Type 1	MPa	2.96	2.47
Tensile @break	*ExxonMobil method based on ISO 37,Type 1	MPa	7.42	6.8
Elongation @break	*ExxonMobil method based on ISO 37,Type 1	%	406	504
Compression set 70°C, 22 hours, 25%	*ExxonMobil method	%	28	** 27

Note:

- Hardness: test samples were cut from both UOB profiles, 6 slices were piled up to > 6 mm thick. Five data were measured with each slice one data. The more layers, the larger difference of final average hardness. Other requirements are based on ISO 868.
- Tensile / Elongation: test samples were cut from both UOB profiles, ~1 mm thick.
- \*\* Compression set: cut both old UOB profile and STC injection molded new 121-67W175 plaques into small pieces, then hot pressed into ~2 mm thick sheet. Test samples were made from the hot-press sheet by piling 6 discs up to ~ 12 mm thick. Three samples were tested and the results show above are average data.
- As all above tests were conducted with non-standard specimens, the results can only be reference.

## **Recyclability performance | Thermoset rubber production**



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## **Recyclability performance | Santoprene® TPV vs. EPDM**



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