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# Accelerating Flexible Packaging Circularity through Design for Recyclability

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# Our strategic priorities

## Our targets: accelerating carbon neutrality and plastics circularity



### Protect the climate

By 2030, Dow will reduce its net annual carbon emissions by 5 million metric tons. This represents a 15% reduction from Dow's 2020 baseline, and a 30% reduction from the 2005 baseline. By **2050**, Dow intends to be carbon neutral (Scopes 1+2+3 plus product benefits).



### Stop the waste

By **2030**, Dow will enable 1 million metric tons of plastic to be collected, reused or recycled through its direct actions and partnerships.

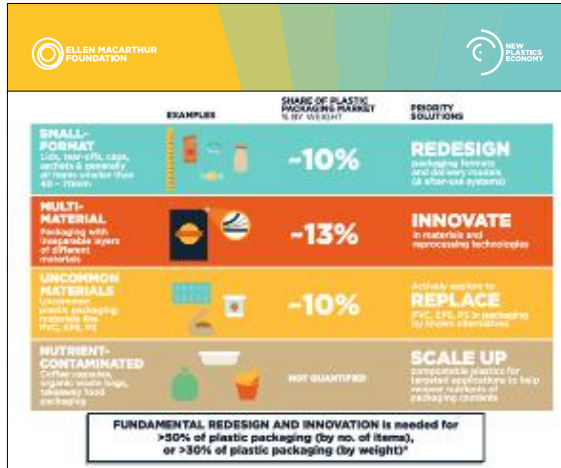
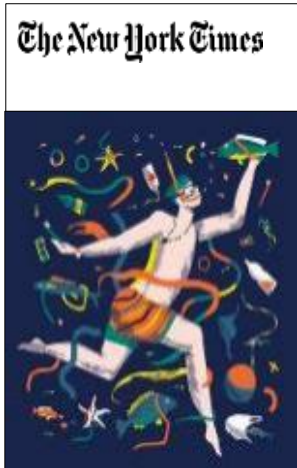


### Close the loop

By **2035**, Dow will enable 100% of Dow products sold into packaging applications to be reusable or recyclable.

# Perception of Plastics

## → Need for Collection and Recyclability



## Commitments:

By 2035, Dow will help “close the loop” by enabling 100% of Dow products sold into packaging applications to be reusable or recyclable.

Trend to  
**alternative materials**



**Recycling  
and Re-use**







## Plastics Sustainability



**Design for  
Recyclability**  
commercial reality



**Mechanical  
recycling**  
transforming the  
value chain



**Advanced  
recycling**  
picking up the  
pace



**Bio-based**  
diversifying and  
expanding



**Carbon**  
the truly global  
driver

## Extensive Innovation Portfolio

Driving circularity with a lower CO2 footprint in EMEA

# Benefits & Challenges of Flexible Packaging



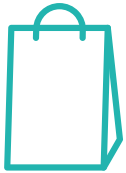
## Profits

- Efficiency
- USD / €
- CO<sub>2</sub>



## Protection

- Food Safety
- Product integrity

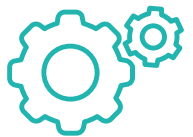


## Promotion

- Brand positioning
- Customer loyalty

## Processability

- Operational efficiency



What can we do to  integrate recyclability?

# MDO\* Orientation Technology



OPP/OPET/OPA

PE Film

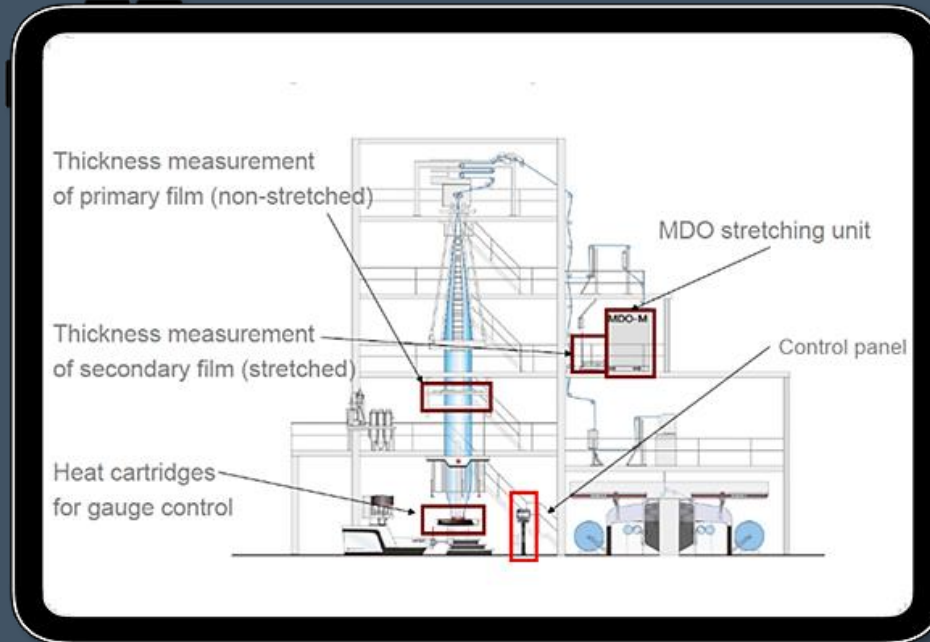


Structure  
Redesign



MDO PE

PE Film



- **Fabrication:** Extrusion Efficiency, Orientation Window
- **Conversion:** Stiffness, Thermal Resistance
- **Pack Performance:** Optics, Dimensional Integrity, Toughness



20+ MDO lines  
across EMEA

\*MDO: Machine Direction Orientation

# It is all about collaboration



New solutions



Collaboration



Sustainability



**Affinity**  
polyolefin plastomers

**Elite**  
enhanced  
polyethylene resins

**Innate**  
precision packaging resins

Partnership  
with



**HOSOKAWA  
ALPINE**



## Metallized OPET

PE Film



Structure  
Redesign



## Metallized Oriented PE

PE Film

Barrier Mono PE Pouch

Dow products bring several benefits in the  
**MDO Print web:**

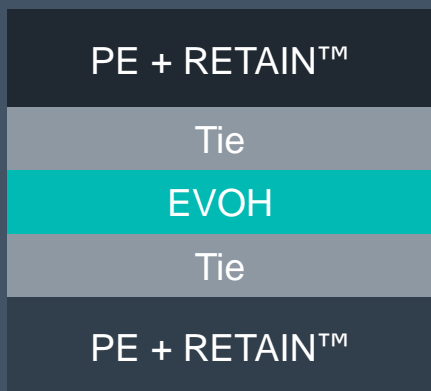
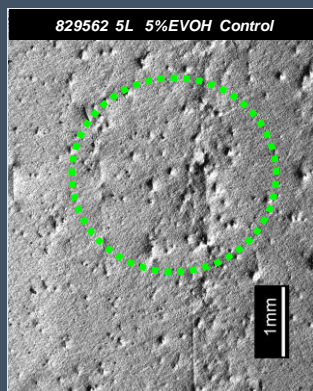
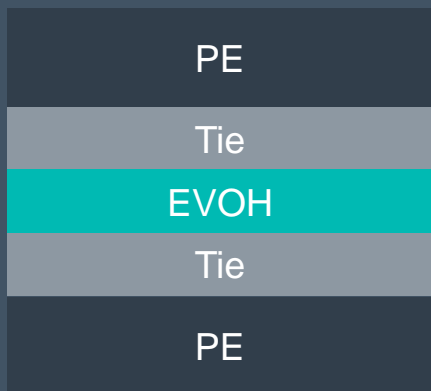
- › Remarkable stiffness
- › Thermal resistance
- › Broad stretching window
- › Excellent optics

in the **Sealant web:**

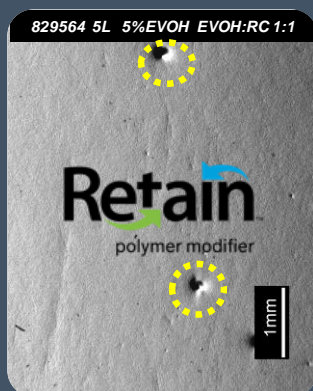
- › Stiffness/toughness balance
- › Dimensional stability / Formability
- › Low seal initiation temperature
- › Good operating window on the packaging line

# Barrier polymers compatibilization

## Traditional barrier film structure



Innate  
precision  
packaging resins



Bynel  
functionalized  
polyolefins

## PIR Incorporation Design For Recyclability



Berry

Kellogg's

RECYCLEREADY  
TECHNOLOGY  
for store drop-off recycling





# What does this mean for you?



**Recycling is no longer a nice-to-have.  
It's a mandate, and the clock is ticking.**



**CO<sub>2</sub> is a growing concern.**

**Flexible packaging is the best option and  
now can be circular.**



**Solutions are ready.**

**Let's work together to achieve your  
sustainability goals!**



Seek

Together™