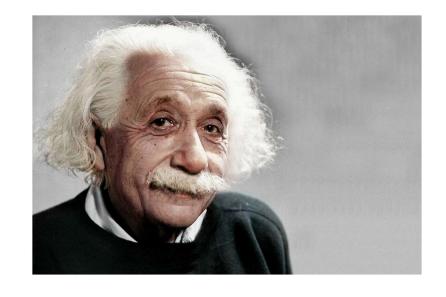




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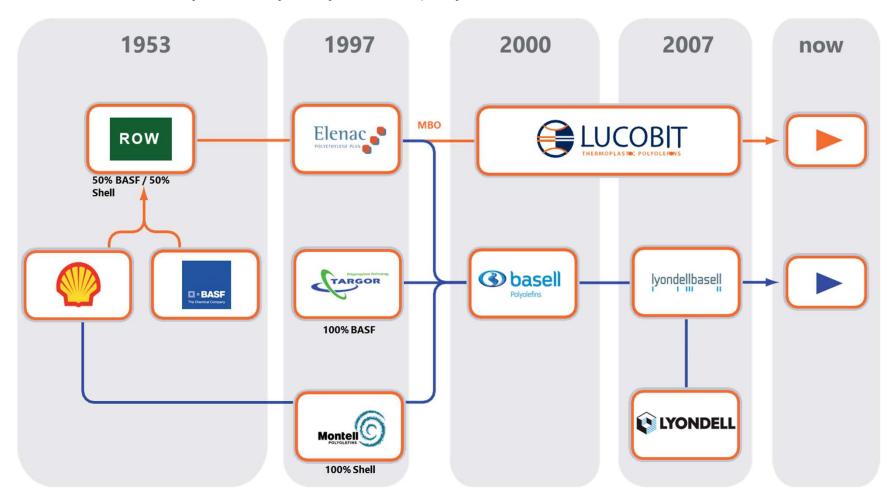


"The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results." – Albert Einstein





#### LUCOBIT AG the Ethylene Butyl Acrylate Company



LUCOBIT AG comes from the best in class in the chemical industry



#### **Lucofin® based Stretch Hoods**

- Lucofin® is an Ethylene Butyl Acrylate Coplymer EBA
- It has a good compatibility to a wide Range of polymers including PE, PP, PA, PBT, TPU and bonds to metals like Aluminium and Steel
- It is recyclable without restrictions and enhances performance of recycled materials like PCR
- Lucofin® exihibits good elongation and tensile properties esp. in combination with other polymers
- The material enables downgauging with good processability even at low wallthickness



# Manufacturing Stretch Film Stretch Hood at a faster pace with increased retention force and reduced cost!

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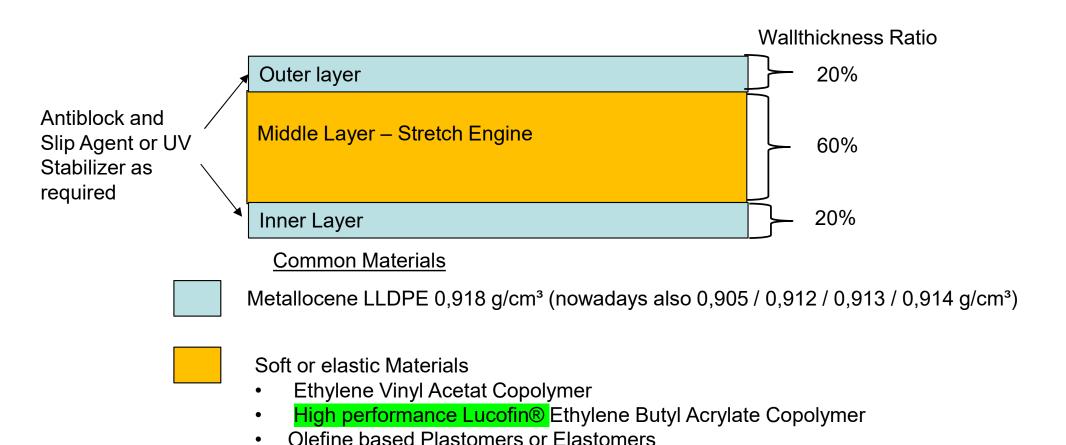
#### **Introduction: Stretch Hood**

- Stretch hood has special requirements since it has to be stretched over a pallet
- To ensure stability, protection, and efficiency in packaging
- has a lower material usage compared to stretch film
- conforms to various load shapes and sizes, offering versatility in packaging applications.
- offers better protection against moisture, dust, and UV exposure

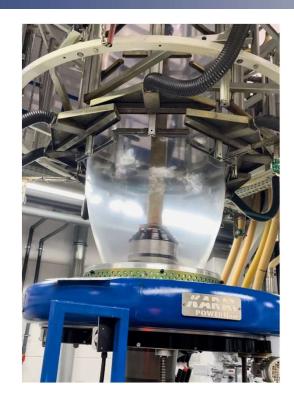




#### **Established 3-Layer Structure of Blown Stretch Hood Films on the Market**







#### **Lucofin® Meets Highest Demands for Stretch Hood Films**

- Efficient blown film extrusion process high output and bubble stability
- Speedy changeover
- Consistent wallthickness distribution below 3 Sigma
- Elongation of film well beyond 500%
- High holding force of film
- Cost efficiency
- Downgauging reduction of wallthickness







#### **Lucofin® based 3-Layer Structure of Blown Stretch Hood Films**

Outer layer 20%

Middle Layer – Stretch Engine 60%

Inner Layer 20%

#### Lucofin® Solution



Instead of 60% EVA / POE / POP, the Lucobit Solution has

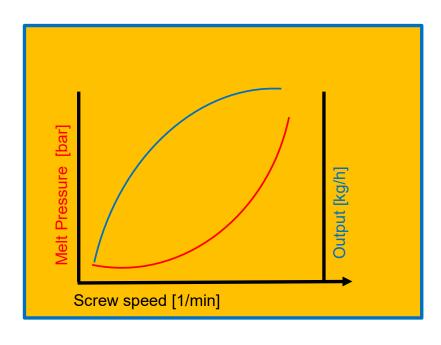
26% Lucofin®

in the total Film

→ One of the significant savings in costs for materials

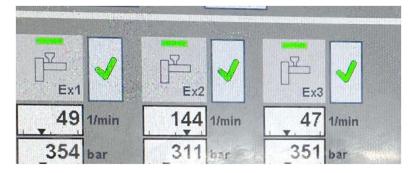






#### **Lucofin® Improves Extrusion Process**

- Lucofin® reduces the Melt Pressure by 10-20%
- → as a result, output [kg/h] can be increased by 10-15%



- Melt pressure goes down from 400 to 300 bar
- Bubble stability good and changeover is efficient
- Wallthickness variation is small (1 3%)

Melt pressure is a limiting factor on output rate and Lucofin® is the game changer



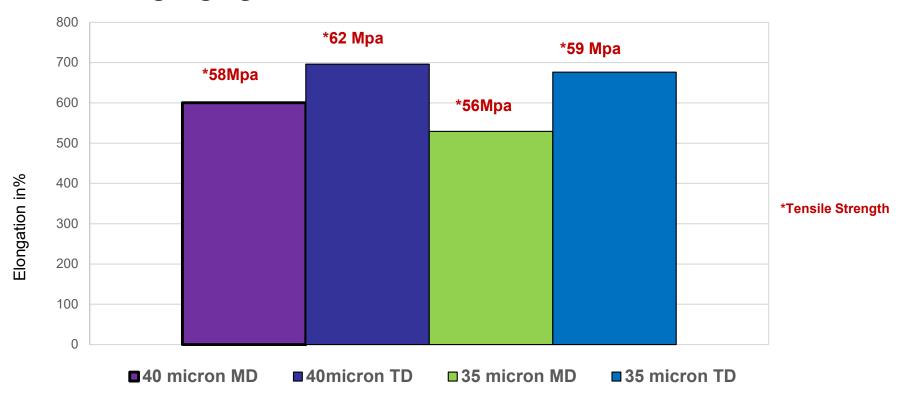


| Parameter                        |      | Lucofin<br>1400HN | Lucofin<br>1083DN | Competition 1 | Competition 2 |
|----------------------------------|------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Average thickness                | μm   | 102               | 102               | 103           | 103           |
| Tensile strenght MD              | MPa  | 40,6              | 42,5              | 32,8          | 33,8          |
| Tensile strenght TD              | MPa  | 40,9              | 43,5              | 34,6          | 35,6          |
| Elongation at break TD           | %    | 793,1             | 782,3             | 752,8         | 742,8         |
| Elongation at break MD           | %    | 840,7             | 848,3             | 791,9         | 770,1         |
| Coefficient of internal friction |      | 0,33              | 0,31              | 0,44          | 0,41          |
| External friction coefficient    |      | 0,24              | 0,28              | 0,51          | 0,55          |
| ODT MD tear strength             | N/mm | 70,8              | 75,1              | 36,6          | 32,5          |
| ODT tear strength TD             | N/mm | 87,2              | 89,5              | 39,6          | 33,5          |

Lucofin® based Stretch Hoods have a significantly higher tensile strength and Holding force 
→ Wallthickness can and should be reduced - downgauging



#### **Downgauging Lucofin® Based Stretch Hood Film**



Despite a slight increase in orientation, the film performed well with 13% less wallthickenss



#### **Testimonial:**

From a Major US Customer, reporting his test results of Lucofin® based Stretch Hoods on a shaker table to replicate transit conditions.

"Lucofin® performed very well, lasting the entirety of the typical testing time without any major shifting. On a further positive note, we actually had a couple of our competitor films on the table at the same time, with the same loads, and they failed almost immediately."



#### **Summary:**

- Lucofin® is an Ethylene Butyl Acrylate Copolymer EBA
- A versatile material which is compatible with a wide range of polymers and substrates.

#### <u>Lucofin® based Stretch Hoods:</u>

- have a higher retention force with consistently high elongation properties
- can be produced thinner while retaining their properties (downgauging)
- can be extruded faster, increasing output (cost efficiency)
- use a much lower proportion of Lucofin® than other structures that use copolymers such as EVA or POE, making the materials less expensive overall (cost efficiency)



# Thank you for your attention! Please feel free to contact us!

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