

# News Release

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## **BASF reorganizes the European distribution of polyoxymethylene (POM)**

As of October 1, 2023, BASF will change its European direct business for Ultraform® (POM) and transfer the sales process to its long-standing trusted trading partners, ALBIS and Ultrapolymers Group.

Ultraform® is and will remain an important part of BASF's engineering plastics portfolio. By maintaining research and development for Ultraform® within BASF, customers will continue to benefit from BASF's innovations and broad expertise, especially in solving technical challenges.

Ultraform® is the trade name for BASF's polyoxymethylene range. It includes versatile engineering plastics with properties designed for heavy-duty components. It is suitable, among other things, for applications in vehicle construction, medical technology and in plant and mechanical engineering.

### **About BASF**

At BASF, we create chemistry for a sustainable future. We combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. More than 111,000 employees in the BASF Group contribute to the success of our customers in nearly all sectors and almost every country in the world. Our portfolio comprises six segments: Chemicals, Materials, Industrial Solutions, Surface Technologies, Nutrition & Care and Agricultural Solutions. BASF generated sales of €87.3 billion in 2022. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchange in Frankfurt (BAS) and as American Depositary Receipts (BASFY) in the United States. Further information at [www.basf.com](http://www.basf.com).

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BASF's Performance Materials division is at the forefront of the much-needed sustainability transformation in plastics. Our products are co-created with customers around the globe to bring innovations to four major industry sectors – transportation, consumer goods, industrial applications, and construction. Our R&D focuses on all stages of the plastics journey: Make, Use and Recycle. The MAKE phase is about improving how plastics are made, from product design to the choice of raw materials and the manufacturing process itself. The USE phase enhances plastics' strengths such as light weight, robustness, and thermal resistance. At the end of the product lifecycle, the RECYCLE phase looks at how to close the loop to achieve a circular economy. In 2022, the Performance Materials division achieved global sales of €8.5 billion. Join #ourplasticsjourney at: [www.plastics.basf.com](http://www.plastics.basf.com)

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ALBIS is one of the world's leading distributors of standard polymers, engineering plastics and thermoplastic elastomers. With technical know-how, a strong distribution network and a strong commitment to finding the best solution, ALBIS as an independent distributor offers its customers one of the market-leading and most comprehensive product portfolios in the entire plastics processing industry. With 24 locations worldwide and 500 employees, the Hamburg-based company has a strong presence in Europe, with a growing presence in the EMEA and Asia Pacific regions. For more information, visit [www.albis.com/en](http://www.albis.com/en).

### **About Ultrapolymers Group**

Ultrapolymers Group is one of the leading European distributors with over 20 years of experience in the industry and a presence in over 55 countries. The company's product portfolio is designed to meet customers' needs across a wide range of industries, including automotive, aerospace, electrical, electronics, healthcare, packaging, and consumer goods, with technical expertise and value-added services. As the company looks toward the future, it remains committed to sustainable and responsible business practices delivering solutions that empower businesses to thrive. Find out more information at [www.ultrapolymers.com](http://www.ultrapolymers.com)