

PRESS RELEASE

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ARKEMA SHOWCASES ITS SUSTAINABLE INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR EYEWEAR AT MIDO 2022

Arkema, a pioneer and leader in high-performance materials for eyewear industries, will present its Advanced Bio-Circular polymers made from castor seeds, suitable for the injection of frames and for laser sintering 3D printing applications.

During Mido, taking place from April 30 to May 2 in Milan (Italy), Arkema will exhibit its unique range of high-performance materials serving the eyewear industry. As a global pioneer in advanced **polyamide 11** materials derived **100% from renewable castor seeds**, Arkema will be showcasing its latest innovations in terms of advanced bio-circular materials. Arkema will also reveal several new products and strategic partnerships with key players throughout the supply chain to highlight the unique advantages of additive manufacturing.

RILSAN® POWDER RESINS FOR ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING

With a dedicated offer for 3D printing technologies, Arkema is actively working together with partners to provide the eyewear industry with **Rilsan® powder resins** used to produce customized and unique high performing parts.

Our Partner **Materialise**, the leader in 3D printed eyewear, will be present on our booth to showcase a collection of 3D printed frames in PA 11 and the Eyewear Fitting Suite for custom frames. Rilsan® PA11 offers excellent properties for eyewear applications - flexible and light weight, with high impact resistance. The translucency to the finish results in beautiful pastel tones, and intense dark tones. You can also experience a demonstration at the Eyewear Fitting Suite, with a 3D facial scan that can create custom-fit eyewear tailored to your unique features.

LEADER IN BIOBASED MATERIAL FOR EYEWEAR

Arkema is the leader of Advanced Bio-based Circular polyamide for the injection of frames, with its flagships Rilsan® Clear and Pebax® Rnew® elastomers, offering lightweight, high transparency, flexibility for comfort and chemical resistance.

Come and visit our booth to experience the **Castor Farming Immersive Experience.** See firsthand in virtual reality what makes castor seeds such a sustainable feedstock and meet the people behind this incredible story.

Arkema will also showcase its **Virtucycle® recycling program**, which enables the company to offer a full service to customers in terms of material circularity. The program develops loops for the collection and regeneration of high-performance polymers while minimizing CO₂ emissions.

VISIT OUR BOOTH G25 IN PAVILION 24 TO TALK WITH OUR EXPERTS AND DISCOVER OUR RANGE OF SOLUTIONS DEDICATED TO EYEWEAR



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Building on its unique set of expertise in materials science, **Arkema** offers a portfolio of first-class technologies to address ever-growing demand for new and sustainable materials. With the ambition to become in 2024 a pure player in Specialty Materials, the Group is structured into 3 complementary, resilient and highly innovative segments dedicated to Specialty Materials -Adhesive solutions, Advanced Materials, and Coating Solutions- accounting for some 82% of Group sales in 2020, and a well-positioned and competitive Intermediates segment. Arkema offers cutting-edge technological solutions to meet the challenges of, among other things, new energies, access to water, recycling, urbanization and mobility, and fosters a permanent dialogue with all its stakeholders. The Group reported sales of around €8 billion in 2020, and operates in some 55 countries with 20,600 employees worldwide.

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