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Alternative raw materials



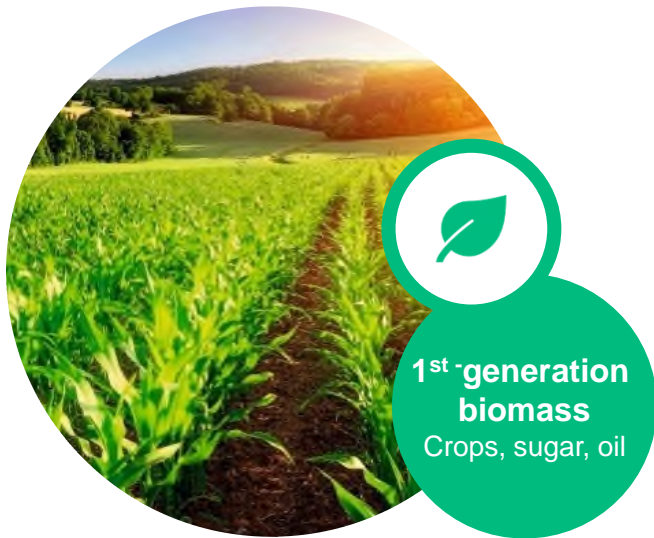
Circular solutions
for our customers

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Alternative raw materials for a circular economy

Lowering the ecological footprint by using biomass or waste streams



Available in larger volumes



Limited availability, but growing further



Relevant feedstocks and routes in early developed phase

High standards for introducing alternative raw materials

Growing availability of alternative feedstocks for utilization in polymers

Covestro is transforming its activities toward a circular economy, responding to global sustainability challenges. One important pillar is the utilization of alternative feedstocks, which reduce the dependency on fossil resources and incorporate a lower carbon footprint.

According to our customer's needs, we offer alternative raw materials with distinctive performance profiles, based on bio-derived molecules or ISCC¹ PLUS certified drop-in solutions. This way, we promote the use of alternative feedstocks while maintaining the highest attribution standards.



1	Mass determination	Free attribution approach	Free attribution to one or several outputs
2	Energetic determination		
3	Trace-the-atom	Molecular attribution approach	Determination of sustainable share based on chemical reaction
4	¹² C/ ¹⁴ C analysis	Measurement	Measurement of biogenic carbon

Covestro follows the trace-the-atom option for all products utilizing the mass balance approach

Covestro provides ¹²C/ ¹⁴C results for partly bio-based products in segregated production streams

¹ISCC = International Sustainability and Carbon Certification, internationally recognized system for sustainability certification of biomass and bioenergy

Product offering promoting alternative feedstock utilization



Circular Intelligence with our CQ line

Supporting Customers



CQ-labeled materials cover at least 25 % alternative feedstock use



Reduced carbon footprint compared to fossil-based products confirmed via LCA¹



Chain-of-custody models can be segregated or mass-balanced



Product portfolio already comprises up to climate neutral² CQ products



¹LCA = Life Cycle Assessment

²Climate neutrality in terms of product carbon footprint (cradle-to-Covestro gate consideration) incl. biogenic uptake



Reducing dependency on fossil resources

Promoting alternative feedstock utilization for adhesive applications

Feedstock origin



 Crops, sugar, oil



 Bio-waste, residue



 Recycled materials

Utilized chain-of-custody¹



Segregation



Breakthrough in partially bio-based resins for label adhesives

Mass balance



Raw materials with ISSC² PLUS certified alternative feedstock attribution

¹verifies the path from the input material to the final product
²ISSC = International Sustainability and Carbon Certification

Alternative raw material offering

Specialties with distinct performance



- Molecules with individual characteristics
- Sustainable share by means of biogenic carbon count measurable via ¹²C/ ¹⁴C analysis

Same performance, lower product carbon footprint



- Wide portfolio coverage possible
- Utilization of existing large-scale assets possible
- Sustainable share attributed via mass balance approach



Changing value chains require strong partnerships

We engage in joint solutions for a momentous circular transformation



Combining ultra-light construction with high performance, 2K PU-based adhesives from Sika are made with Covestro raw materials



Covestro enables H.B. Fuller to offer adhesives for the woodworking, composites, automotive, and textile sectors that reduce fossil resource use of their products



Engineered wood adhesives from Henkel, made with alternative raw materials from Covestro, are used in building and construction applications



Food-contact compliance



Full-spectrum PU solutions
for flexible packaging

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Raw materials for food-contact applications



Polyurethane (PU) adhesive polymers can be produced from a wide range of raw materials. The great adaptability of PU polymers allows adhesive manufacturers to provide tailor-made adhesive polymers for flexible packaging applications.

Our raw materials are manufactured in compliance with manufacturing best practices and fulfill the requirements of Regulation (EC) 1935/2004. Relevant compliance statements for suitable products can be requested for specific regions (e.g. Regulation (EU) No. 10/2011, FDA regulations in 21 CFR 175.105 (adhesives), Chinese hygienic standard GB 9685-2008).



Food-contact statements for suitable adhesive raw materials are available upon request



Covestro's main technologies for packaging applications

Enabling efficient packaging solutions



[Packaging & print solutions portfolio](#)





Productivity

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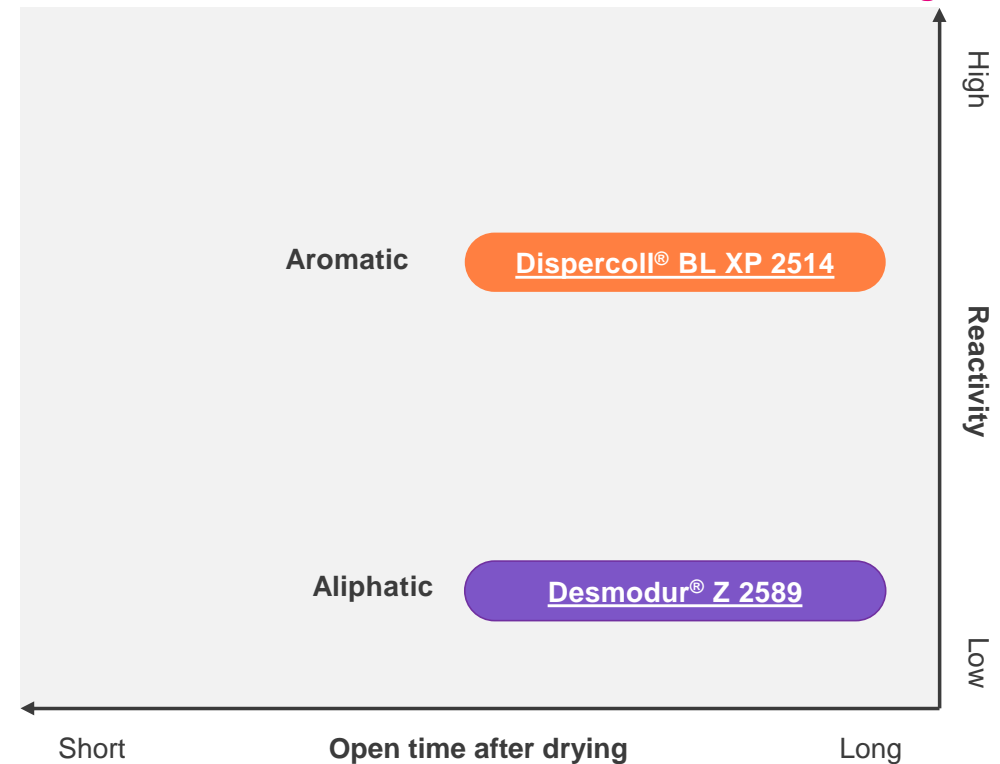
Improving productivity for downstream users

Crosslinkers for water-borne 1K latent reactive adhesives

Polyurethane (PU) systems represent a benchmark in productivity and process efficiency in many industries. We strive to improve this efficiency even further by developing new, game-changing solutions. This is why we offer solutions that enable our value-chain partners to use materials more efficiently and reduce waste, such as raw materials for latent reactive systems.

- ✔ Significantly longer storage time of formulations (potlife) compared to 2K wb PU adhesives
- ✔ Dried films/pre-coatings of latent reactive adhesives can be stored for months (open time)
- ✔ No mixing of liquid adhesive by the user, resulting in clean, reliable, and efficient processes

Latent reactive crosslinkers for thermoactivation bonding





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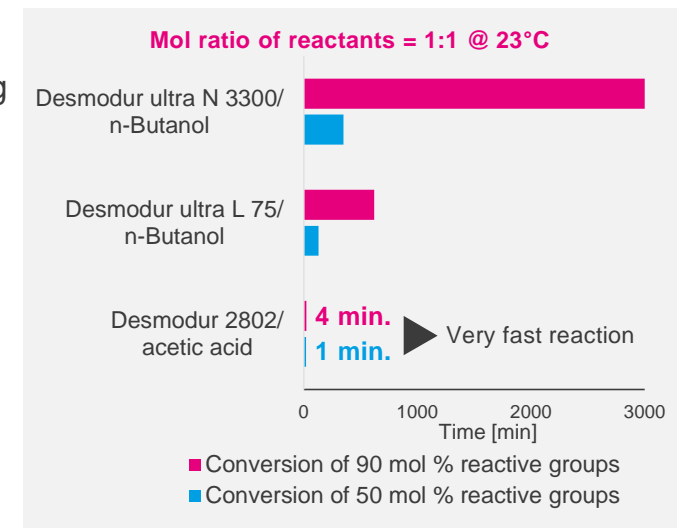
Fast crosslinking for fast processing



High-performance 1K water-borne adhesives

Desmodur® 2802 is a water-borne dispersion of a hydrophically-modified polyfunctional carbodiimide. It can be used as a crosslinker for water-borne adhesive formulations in roll-to-roll applications, with the following benefits:

- ✔ High initial bond strength at room temperature for rapid further processing
- ✔ One-component processing prevents mixing failures and adhesive waste
- ✔ Maintains brilliant finishes of adhesives that are applied on top of a print
- ✔ Improves chemical & thermal resistance of adhesive layer
- ✔ Potlife up to 6 months (pH 7-9)





Easy processable powders

For non-yellowing hotmelt and solvent adhesive applications

Desmomelt® U is a new class of non-yellowing polyurethane (PU) adhesive raw material. Supplied as a coarse powder or pellet, it provides the bonding characteristics of well-known and proven solvent- or water-based heat activation PU adhesives in a 100% solid form.

Desmomelt® U can be processed as a hotmelt in various application forms, as well as dissolved to yield a solvent-based adhesive formulation.

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[Desmomelt® U aliphatic polyurethane powders for adhesives](#)



Product name	Molecular weight	Crystallization speed	Heat activation temperature [°C]	Viscosity [mPas*]
Desmomelt® U 410	Medium/low	++	50-60	20-50
Desmomelt® U 320	Medium	+	60-70	50-200
Desmomelt® U 230	High	o / +	70-80	200-600

*15 w% in methylethylketone (MEK) / water (16:1), (23°C, #62, 30 rpm)





Raw materials for high industrial hygiene standards



Ultra line – keeping the quality up and your business future-ready

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Redefining industrial hygiene



Raw materials for high industry standards

Covestro is committed to continually improving products and setting new standards, especially in the field of industrial hygiene. Our new ultra line allows for further improvements through a consistent reduction of the specified residual monomer content, (kept below 0.1 percent), and helps users comply with legal regulations without additional administrative efforts.

	Conventional 2K PU	Covestro's ultra line
High-performance isocyanate technology	✓	✓
Improved industrial hygiene standard	✓	✓ ✓
No additional efforts to comply with the proposed use restriction on diisocyanates*	✗	✓

*On August 24, 2020, the REACH Committee decided on the final draft of new occupational safety standards on the use of diisocyanates. The Commission Regulation entered into force on August 24, 2023



Water-borne industrial hygiene

Low-monomer crosslinker solutions for water-borne adhesives

Formulations utilizing polyurethane dispersions are well recognized for their very low odor and very low volatile organic compound emission levels. With our ultra line, industrial hygiene is increased even further, for 2K formulations as well.



Hydrophilized crosslinker with monomeric isocyanate content below 0.1%

Type	Product
HDI	<u>Bayhydur® ultra 304</u>
HDI	<u>Bayhydur® ultra 3100</u>
IPDI	<u>Bayhydur® ultra 401-70 MPA</u>
IPDI	<u>Bayhydur® ultra 401-70 MPA/X</u>
HDI	<u>Desmodur® ultra DA-L</u>
HDI	<u>Desmodur® ultra DN</u>



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Low-monomer solutions

For solvent-borne & solvent-free* adhesives

 **Crosslinker with monomeric isocyanate content below 0.1%**

Type	Product
HDI	Desmodur® ultra N 31100
HDI	Desmodur® ultra N 3300
HDI	Desmodur® ultra N 3500
HDI	Desmodur® ultra N 3600
HDI	Desmodur® ultra N 3700
HDI	Desmodur® ultra N 3800
HDI	Desmodur® ultra N 3900
PDI	Desmodur® CQ ultra N 7300

Type	Product
TDI	Desmodur® ultra L 75
TDI/IPDI	Desmodur® ultra IL BA
TDI/IPDI	Desmodur® ultra IL EA
TDI/IPDI	Desmodur® ultra IL 1351 BA
TDI/HDI	Desmodur® ultra RN
IPDI	Desmodur® ultra Z 4470 BA
IPDI	Desmodur® ultra Z 4470 MPA/X
IPDI	Desmodur® ultra Z 4470 SN

 **Prepolymers with monomeric isocyanate content below 0.1%**

Type	Product
TDI	Desmodur® ultra E 15
HDI	Desmodur® ultra E 3370

Type	Product
HDI	Desmodur® ultra E 30500
HDI	Desmodur® ultra E 30600

*In accordance to DIN EN 923



Innovative functionalities

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Functionalities for next-generation vehicles

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Translucent adhesives for new lighting designs



Electric vehicle components with safe, tough materials



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High-end requirements

Raw materials for
challenging applications



**Dispercoll® U 66: High bond for
challenging lamination applications**



Baymedix® | Medical polyurethanes





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