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#### Trends related to sustainability



#### **Trends related to sustainability**

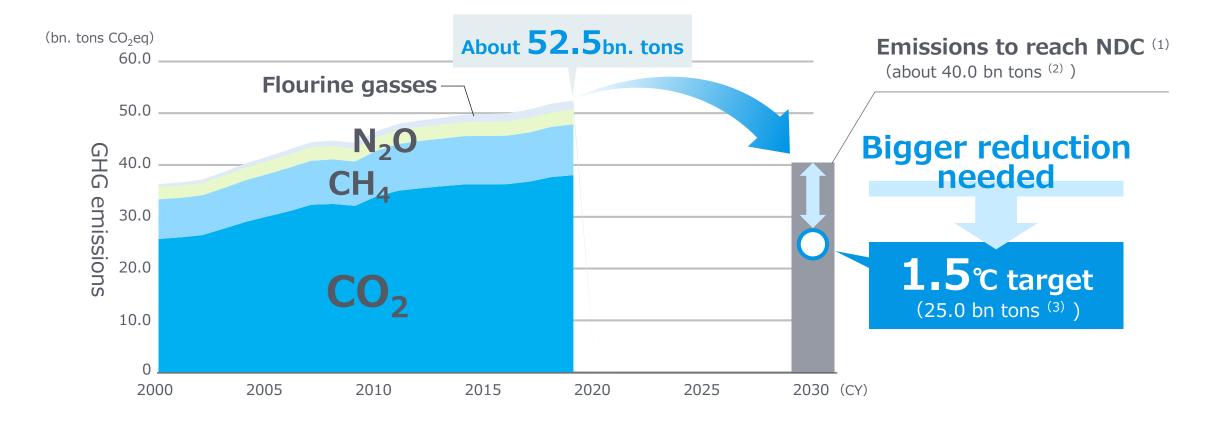
Many important conferences are being held and the environment surrounding countries and corporations is changing rapidly Attention is focusing on climate change as well as preservation of biodiversity

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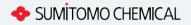
#### **Global challenges in becoming carbon neutral**



# Global greenhouse gas(GHG) emissions need to be reduced further to reach 1.5°C target

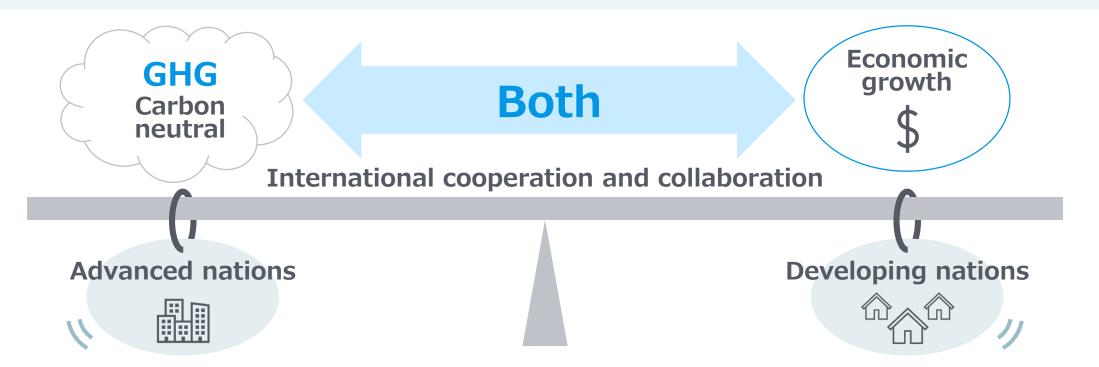


(1) Nationally Determined Contribution toward greenhouse gas emission reductions, (2) Source: UN : COP26: Update to the NDC Synthesis Report, (3) Source: UNEP : Emission Gap Report 2021



#### **Global challenges in becoming carbon neutral**

# Achieving GHG reductions while growing the economy is a global challenge

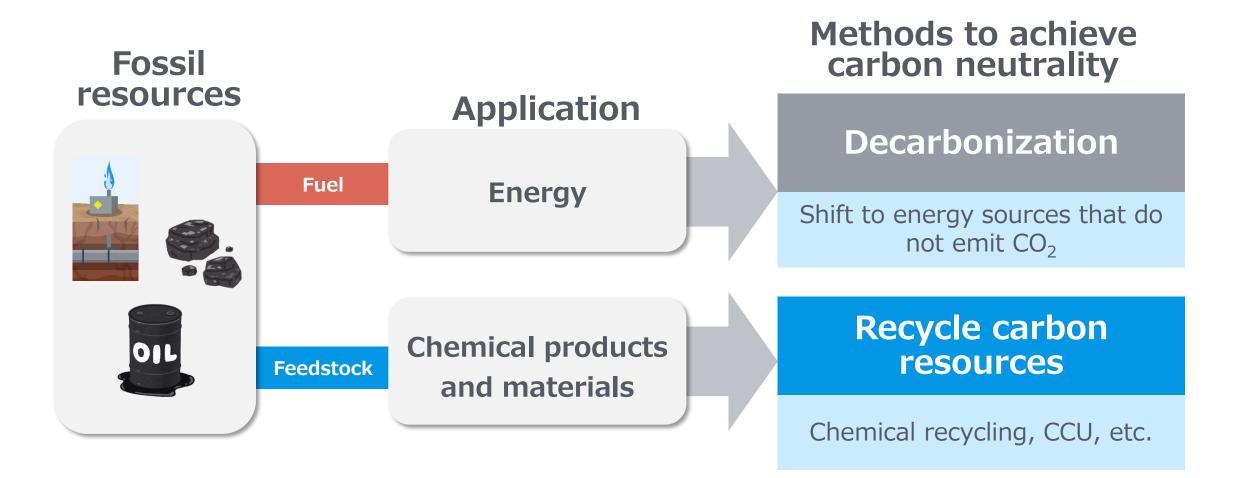


Creating shared value is important to achieving both economic growth and the resolution of social issues

<sup>\*\*</sup>Our business must benefit ourselves and society as one and the same

#### **Approach toward carbon neutrality**

Fulfill a role where the chemical industry is uniquely positioned to handle carbon to achieve carbon neutrality



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#### Grand design toward achieving carbon neutrality

#### Track record of our efforts to address climate change



We have taken the initiative to address climate change by establishing dedicated organizations, declaring our support for TCFD and acquiring SBT certification, among other things

Milestones in Japan and globally	Sumitomo Chen	nical's initiatives		
1997 • Kyoto Protocol ratified				
2000	Established the Responsible Care Office			
2005 • Kyoto Protocol put in force				
2010	Established the Energy & Climate Change Of	fice		
2016 • Paris Agreement put in force	Started Sumika Sustainable Solutions			
2017 • Support for TCFD Recommendations announced	Declared our support of the TCFD Recommendations	At the time only 2 Japanese companies had signed on. Now there are 590 organizations.		
2018	Recognized by the Science Based Targets (2.0℃ Target)	First globally for a diversified chemicals company		
2020 Japanese government's Carbon Neutral Declaration				
2021	<ul> <li>Established the Carbon Neutral Strategy Council and the Carbon Neutral Strategy Cross-Functional Team</li> <li>Established the Business Development Office for a Circular System for Plastics</li> </ul>			
	Recognized by the Science Based Targets (WB2.0°C Target)			



#### Grand design toward achieving carbon neutrality

# Sumitomo Chemical aims to become carbon neutral by 2050

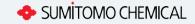
## **Obligations**

Approach zero greenhouse gas emissions for the Sumitomo Chemical Group

## **Contributions**

Reduce global greenhouse gas emissions through our group's products and technologies

#### Fulfill both obligations and contributions to strive to become carbon neutral the Sumitomo Chemical Group way



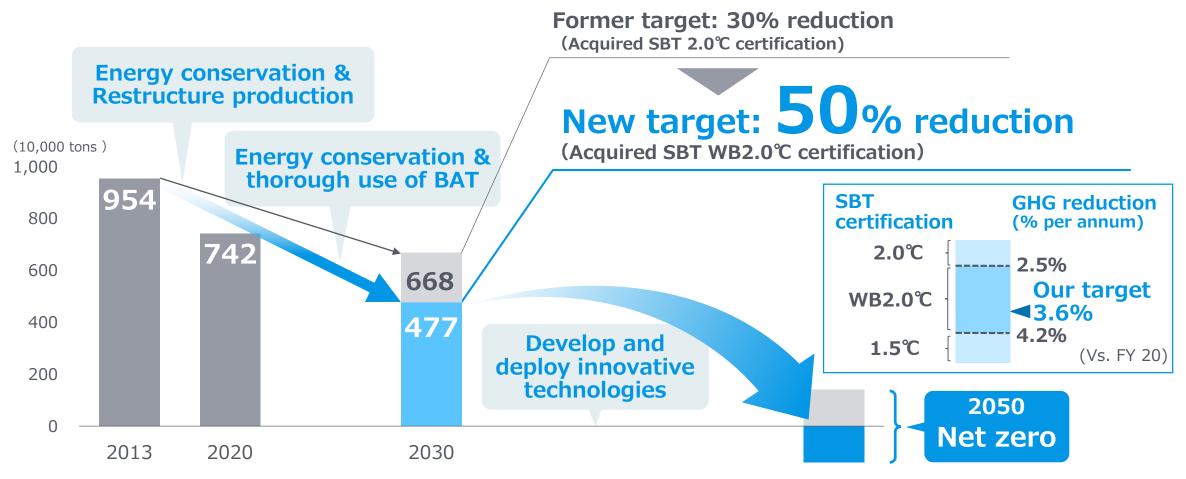
### **Greenhouse gas emissions at the Sumitomo Chemical Group**

# 50% Reduce by 2030 Reach net zero by 2050

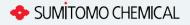
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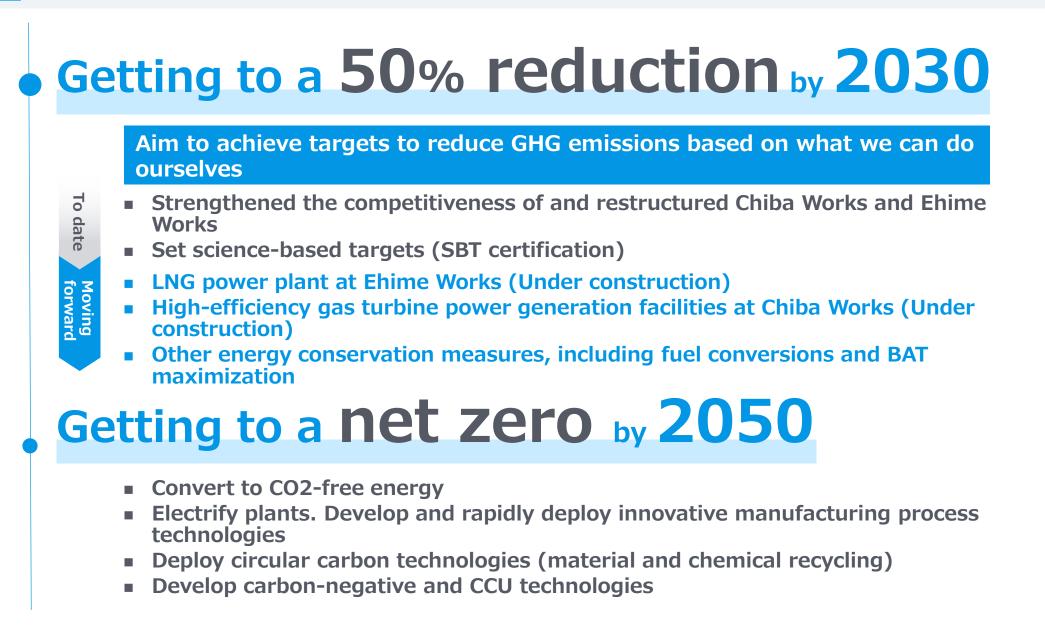


## Raised our targets for reducing GHG and applied for a new SBT certification



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#### Contribute to GHG reductions in society through products and technologies from the Sumitomo Chemical Group

Work with a variety of stakeholders to be the first to deploy into society products and technologies that contribute to global greenhouse gas reductions

#### Three perspectives

Provide products and solutions that contribute to carbon neutrality

- Provide proprietary manufacturing technologies and products that contribute to GHG reductions
- Build a structure to evaluate carbon footprints

Drive the development of technologies that contribute to carbon neutrality and their rapid deployment into society

- Build a carbon resources recycling system
- Develop low-GHG emitting process technologies in membrane-based separation and wastewater treatment.

Take on long-term challenges including the development of carbon negative technologies

- Develop carbon negative technologies
- Develop CCU technology

#### **Contributions** Contribution through technology licensing



Licensing technologies that lead to GHG reductions is a key factor in achieving both economic growth in emerging countries and carbon neutrality

#### Manufacturing technology Propylene oxide On-purpose process

#### **Application:**

Feedstock for polyurethane used in automobile seats and heat insulation materials, etc.

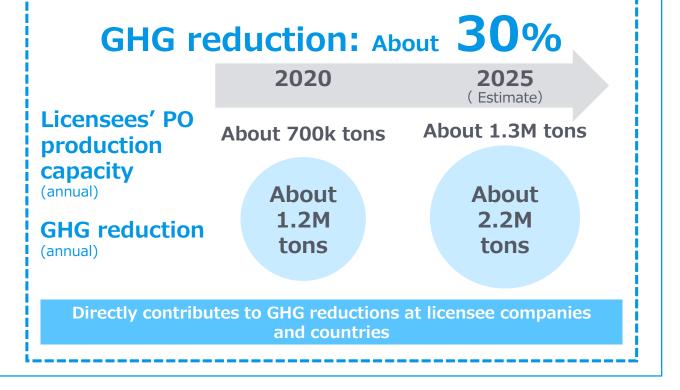
#### Characteristics of the technology:

Achieve high yield, energy conservation and high operational stability by combining with a proprietary highperformance catalyst. Results in no by-products.

Awards: Won the Grand Prize in the 52nd Annual (2020) JCIA Technology Awards









#### Size of investments aimed at becoming carbon neutral

# Expect to invest 200 bn. yen to become carbon neutral

#### By 2021 80 bn. ven

- (Already decided or executed)
- Rebuild production structures at Chiba and Ehime Works
- Plant energy conservation measures
- Fuel conversions from coal and heavy oil to LNG

# By 2030 120 bn. yen

- Energy conservation measures and production equipment upgrades at plants
- Chemical recycling of plastic resources
- CO2 separation, CCU and others

#### 2013

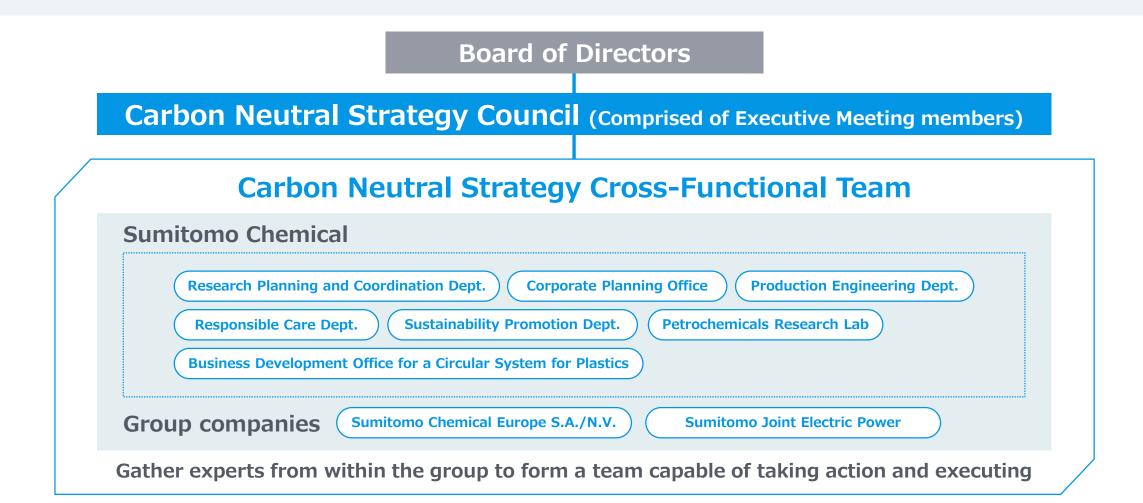
#### Since FY2019, business investments factor in an: Internal carbon pricing system

Make investment decisions based on economics calculations that reflect an internal carbon price of 10,000 yen per ton

#### **Governance** Organization for the advancement of carbon neutrality

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Built an organizational structure dedicated to advancing carbon neutrality under the supervision of the Board of Directors





#### External evaluations, Social and Governance highlights and direction moving forward

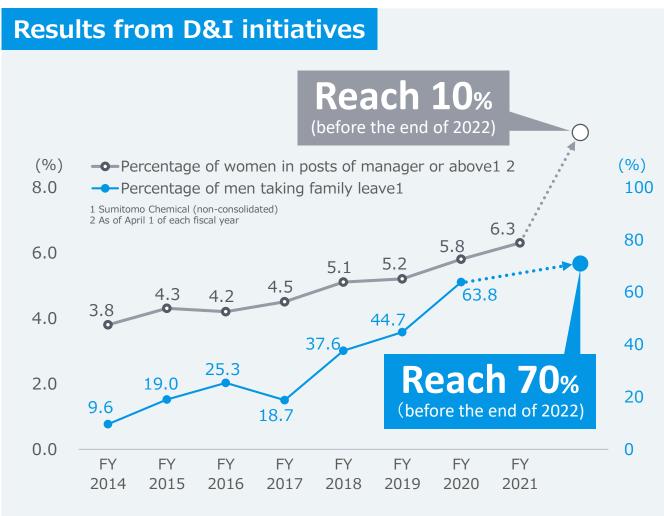


#### **ESG-related external evaluations**

Maintaining high marks among external evaluations. Continue to establish a cycle of sustainability efforts, information disclosure and external evaluations.

		2018	2019	2020	2021	Remarks
A LIST 2020 CLIMATE	CDP Climate Change	Α	Α	Α	Α	Highest rating: A
ALIST 2020 WATER	CDP Water Security	В	<b>A</b> -	Α	Α	Highest rating: A
FTSE Blossom Japan	FTSE Blossom Japan Index	4.0	4.2	4.2	December (TBD)	5 is a perfect score
MSCI	MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index	ΑΑΑ	ΑΑΑ	ΑΑΑ	ΑΑΑ	AAA is the top rating
MSCI	MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN)	6.2	6.0	6.7	6.9	10 is a perfect score
COLD 2021 Cocoadis Natariability Natariability	Ecovadis Sustainability Ratings	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Gold	Gold is the top 5% level.

#### $\odot$ Social



#### More women in manufacturing settings

- Prepare physical infrastructure for women such as rest rooms and changing rooms
- Seed awareness of various workplaces during orientation training
- Follow up with employees after they have joined the company (e.g., regularly scheduled interviews and internal networking events for women)

Stable supply of talented workers Increased competitiveness in mfg



#### $\ominus$ Governance

#### **Sustainability Promotion Committee**

#### Major themes (from October 2021)

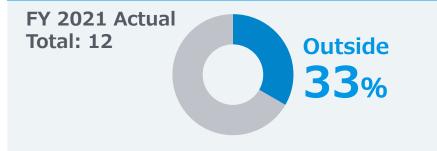
- Update global trends related to sustainability
- Carbon Neutral Strategy
- Circular System for Plastics KPIs
- Initiatives across the value chain (human rights and the environment)
- Activity for our group to penetrate sustainability
- Engagement with and announcement to Stakeholders, and others.

Beginning this year, participation expanded to include outside directors and corporate auditors to encourage lively discussions

#### About parent-subsidiary listings

- Disclosed our thinking in the Sumitomo Chemical Report 2021
- Engaged collaboratively with institutional investors regarding this topic

#### Percentage of outside directors





Contribute to the sustainable growth of our corporate group as well as the realization of a sustainable society





# Carbon Neutral Grand Design

- Sumitomo Chemical's aspirations for carbon neutrality
- Initiatives for obligations
- Initiatives for Contributions



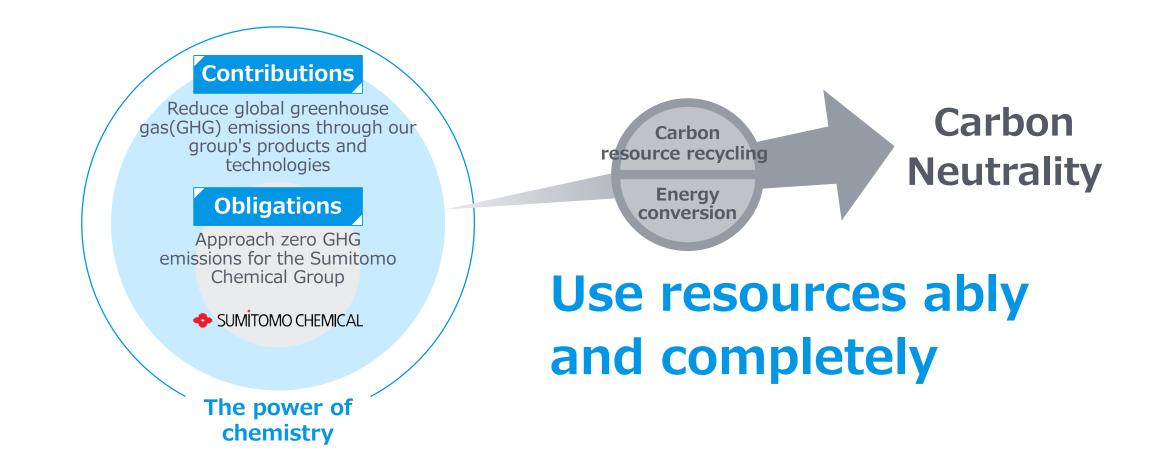
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#### Sumitomo Chemical's aspirations for carbon neutrality

Achieve carbon neutrality globally with our excellent technologies and products



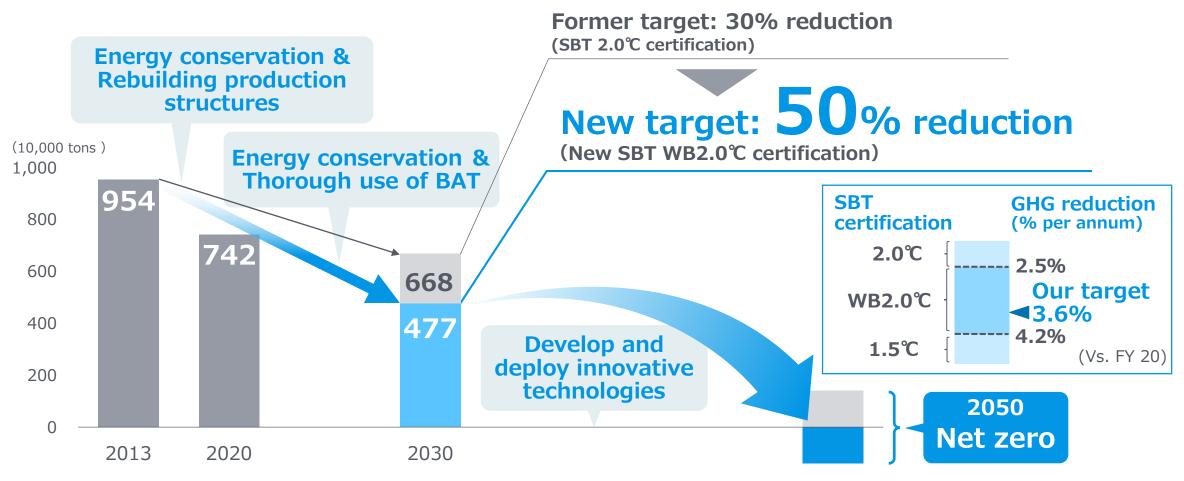
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#### Initiatives for obligations

#### **Obligations** Targets for GHG reductions at the Sumitomo Chemical Group

Raised our targets for reducing GHG and applied for a new SBT certification



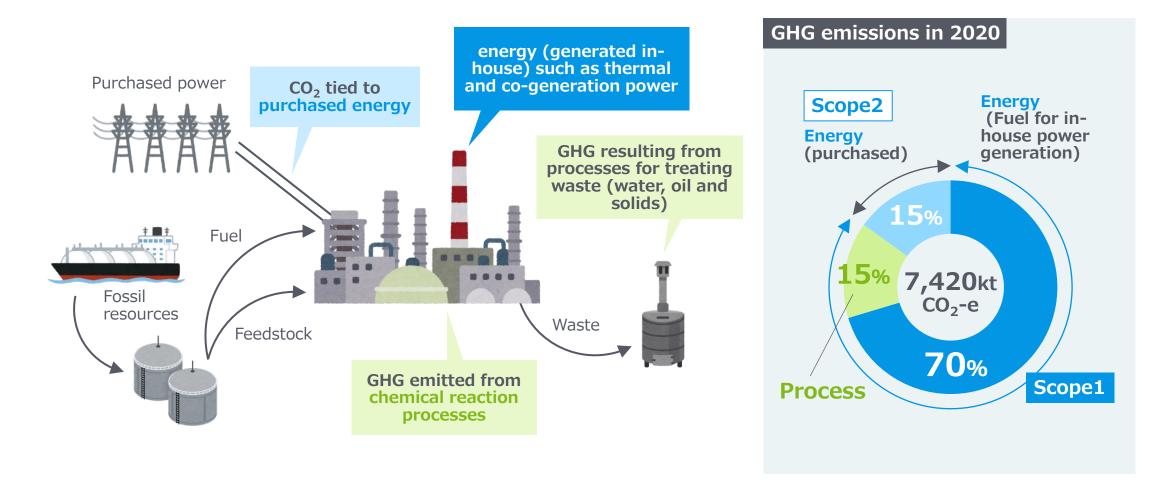
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#### **Obligations** Major sources of GHG at chemical plants

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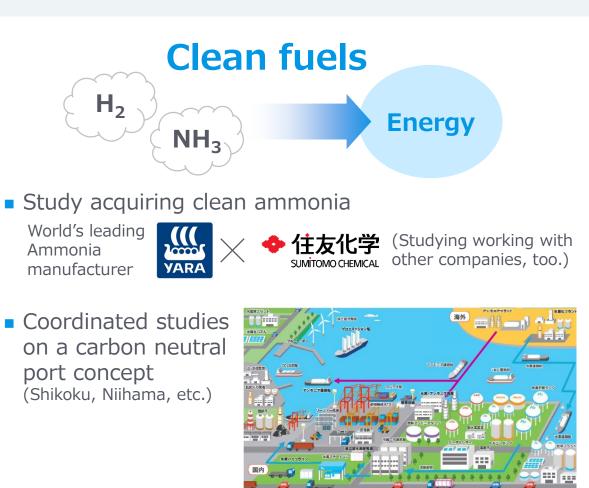
Convert to clean energy to address GHG derived from energy sources and focus on the necessary technological development for GHG derived from processes



# Begin studying the introduction of clean fuels to become carbon neutrality by 2050

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	Ehime	Chiba	$\left\langle H_2 \right\rangle$
Fuel	Coals and heavy oil ►LNG	Petroleum coke ►LNG	
Amount of $CO_2$ reduction	650k tons/ year	240k tons/ year	Study acquiri World's leading Ammonia
			<ul> <li>Coordinated a on a carbon in port concept (Shikoku, Niihama)</li> </ul>

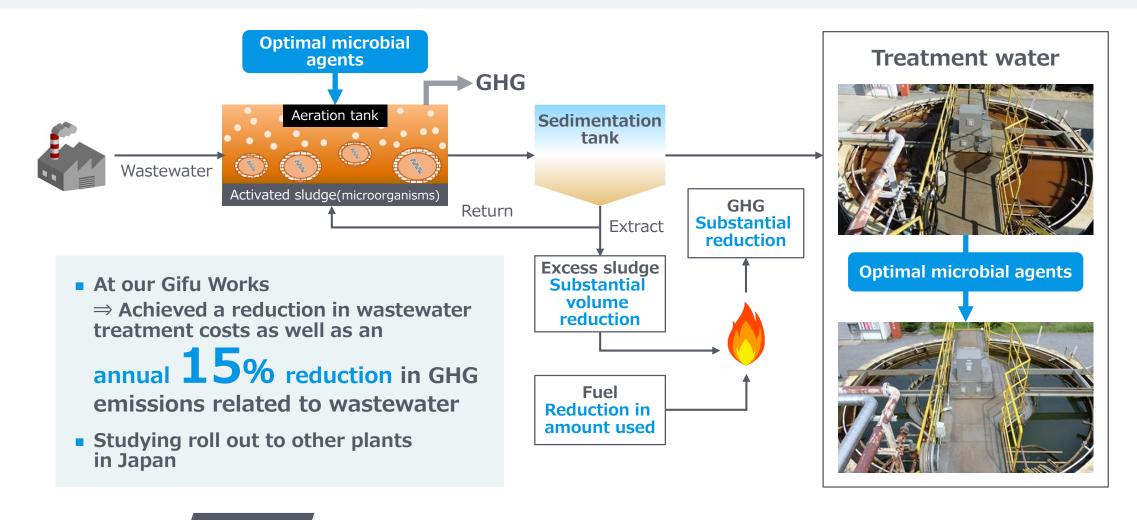
Building an LNG tank, the largest of its kind in Japan, on the premises of Ehime Works



(MLIT: https://www.mlit.go.jp/common/001408123.pdf)

#### Obligations GHG derived from processes: Innovations in waste treatment technology

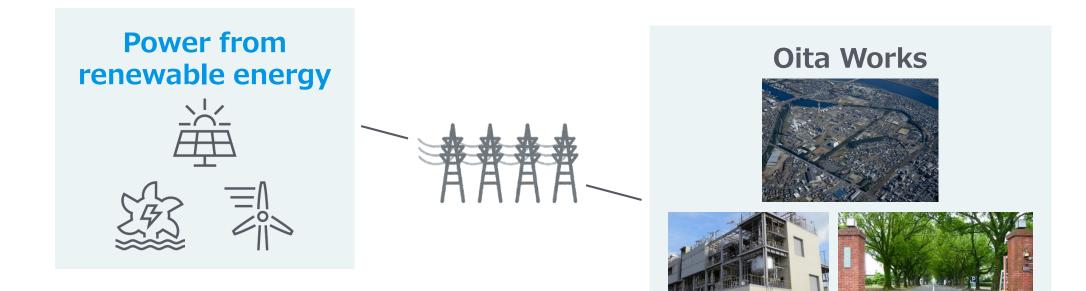
Reduce GHG emissions resulting from wastewater treatment and the volume of waste to be incinerated by leveraging biotechnology to use microbial agents optimized for wastewater treatment



Obligations Reducing GHG derived from energy sources (purchased power): Introduction of renewable energy



At Oita Works, switched 100% of purchased power to renewable energy sources



#### At Oita Works

- Reduced GHG 20% by switching all purchased power to 100% renewable energy
- Reduced GHG 10% by converting fuel (from heavy oil to utility gas)

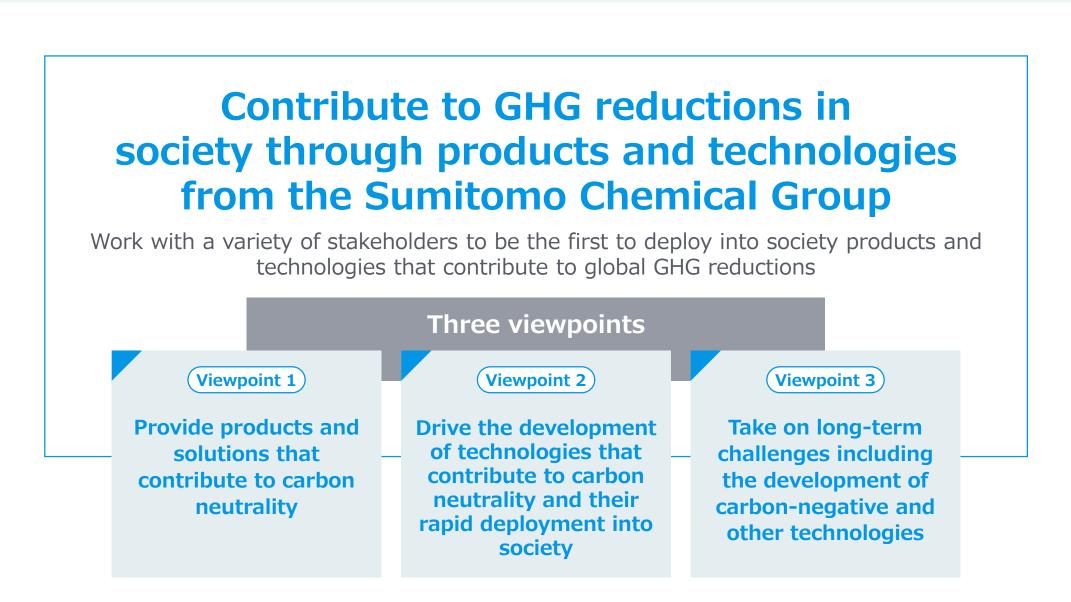


<sup>(</sup>Reduction rate : Compared to fiscal 2013)



#### **Initiatives for Contributions**

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Promote adoption of licensing of our proprietary chemical product manufacturing technologies and provide innovative products

Manufacturing technologies

Propylene oxide production technology: On-purpose PO process

 Proprietary on-purpose propylene oxide process that uses cumene as a reaction medium and a high-performance epoxidation catalyst (Won the Grand Prize in the 52nd Annual (2020) JCIA Technology Awards)

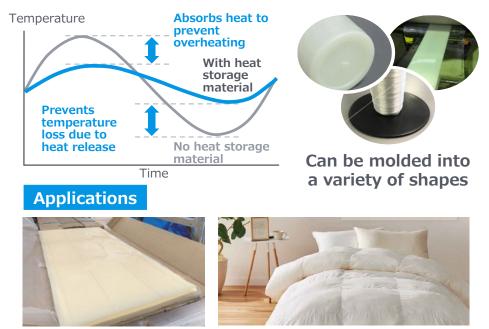
#### Reduces GHG about 30%

(Comparisons to other manufacturing methods are based on our estimates)

 Currently expanding licensing overseas: Licensee production capacity estimated to reach 1.3M tons/year by 2025 That would reduce GHG by About 2.2M tons/year



#### Materials Heatorage / Conformer Resin heat storage material that maintains its form as a solid



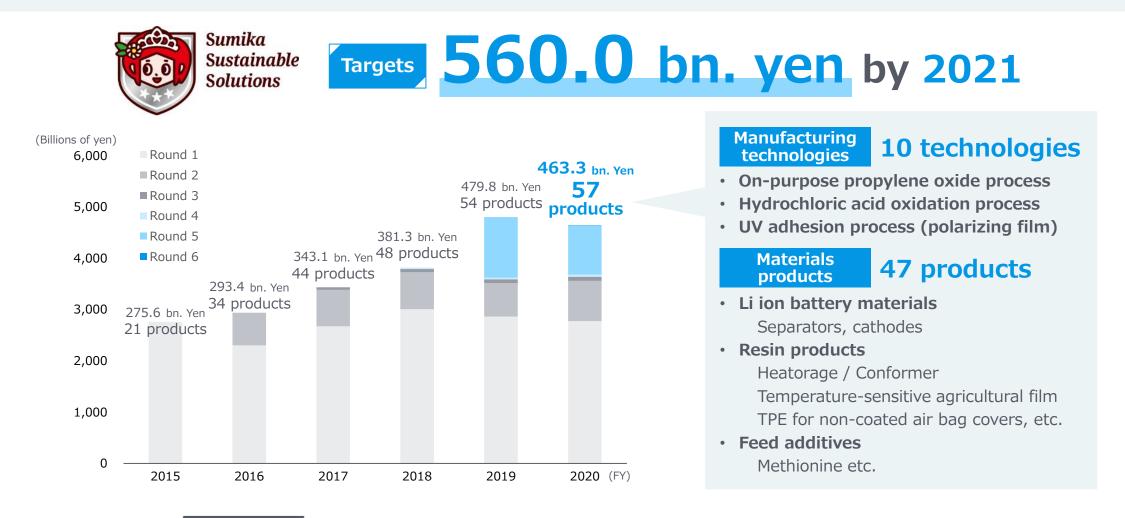
High-performance construction materials

Functional bedding



Sumika Sustainable Solutions :

Designate the Group's products and technologies that contribute to addressing climate change and the reduction of environmental impact over the product's entire life cycle and promote their development and widespread use



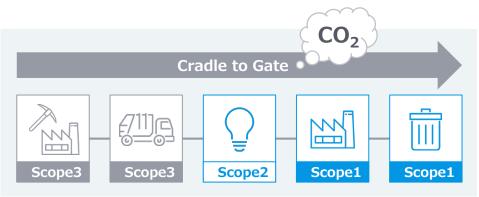


# Speed up the calculation of the carbon footprint of our products leveraging a proprietary calculation tool

#### Developed a proprietary automatic calculation tool for our products' carbon footprint

#### **Features**

- Built based on commercially available software (Microsoft Access/Excel)
- Prepared multiple calculation models accounting for the characteristics of chemical manufacturing processes (coproducts, by-product fuels, steam generation, etc.) (Choose from the pull-down menu of models and execute calculation)
- Can easily calculate carbon footprint for each stage (intermediates or final product). E.g., raw material to Intermediate A to Intermediate B ... to final product.



#### Plan to complete evaluating the carbon footprint of all our products (about 20,000) by the end of December 2021

(Perform evaluation from Cradle to Gate on products where carbon footprint data is available for raw materials and Gate to Gate where such data is not readily available)

Began carbon footprint evaluation of group company products. Plan to complete evaluation by the end of FY 22.

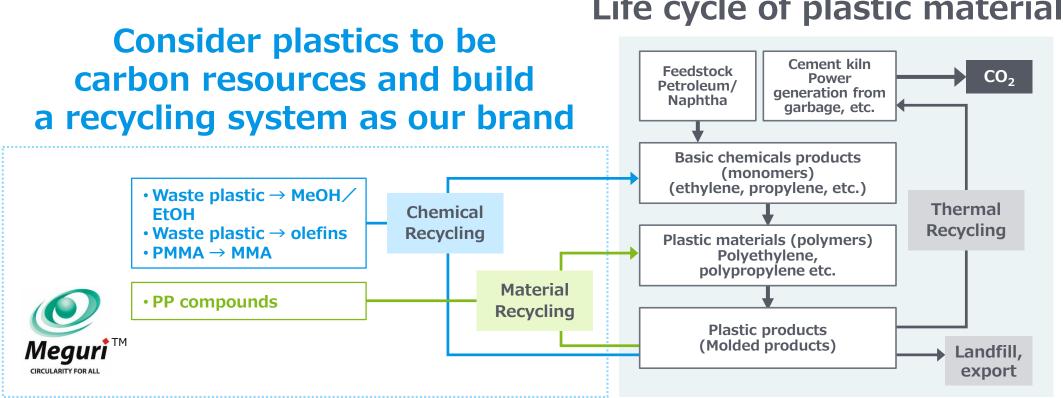
Plan to provide this automated calculation tool to other companies outside the group free of charge



Drive the development of technologies that contribute to carbon neutrality and their rapid deployment into society

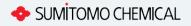


Build a circular system for plastics by developing and deploying into society recycling technologies



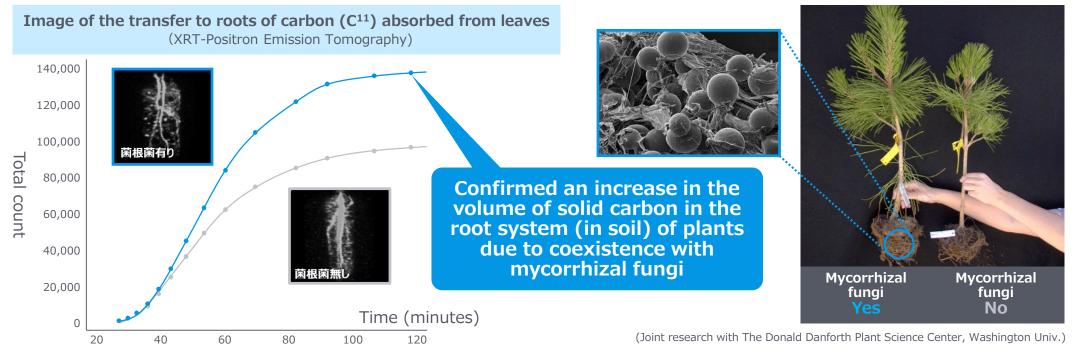
# Life cycle of plastic materials

# Contributions Viewpoint 3 Taking on the challenge of carbon negative



# Direct Air Capture & Storage of CO<sub>2</sub> leveraging the power of organisms

- Mycorrhizal fungi: A type of useful microorganism that inhabits the soil. They penetrate the roots of plants and coexist with their hosts (plants)
- They coexist by giving their host plants nutrients such as phosphoric acid and nitrogen and from their hosts receive carbon compounds produced through photosynthesis. The growth of many plants is boosted by coexistence with mycorrhizal fungi.



# Contributions Viewpoint 3 Taking on the challenge of carbon negative

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Leveraging mycorrhizal fungi to lock in carbon solids into the soil and thus fertilize the soil to achieve carbon neutrality and resolve food shortages

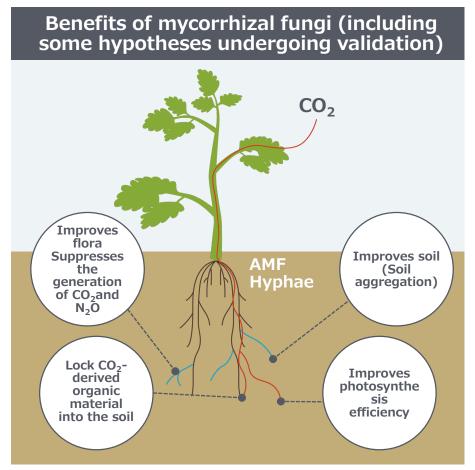
Coexistence with plants:

Mycorrhizal fungi

- Promotes the locking in of carbon through photosynthesis
- Locks carbon into the soil and by doing so fertilizes the soil

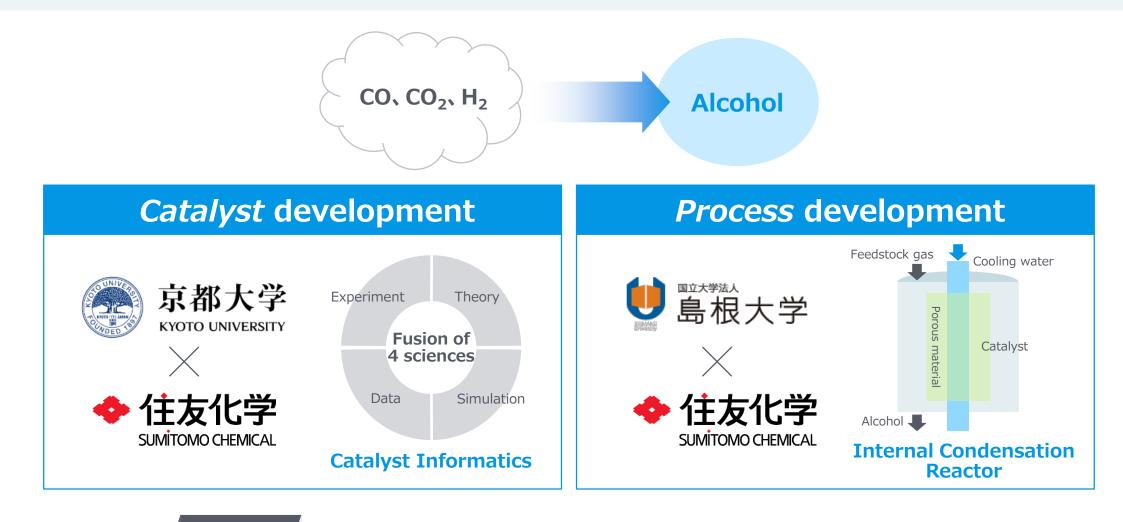
# Direct Air Capture & Storage of CO<sub>2</sub> leveraging the power of organisms "EcoDAC<sup>TM</sup>"





Sosa-Hernández et al. (2019) modified

Development of innovative manufacturing technology to synthesize from CO<sub>2</sub> the alcohol used to make basic chemical products

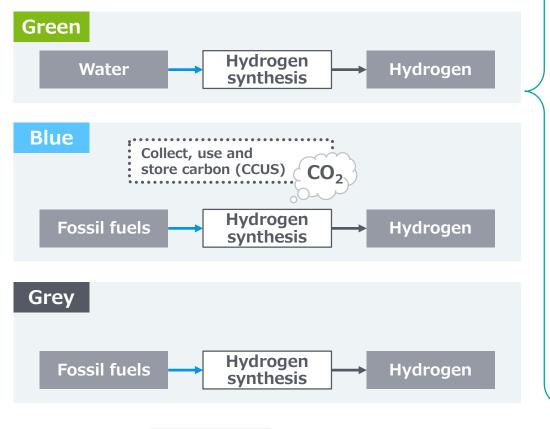


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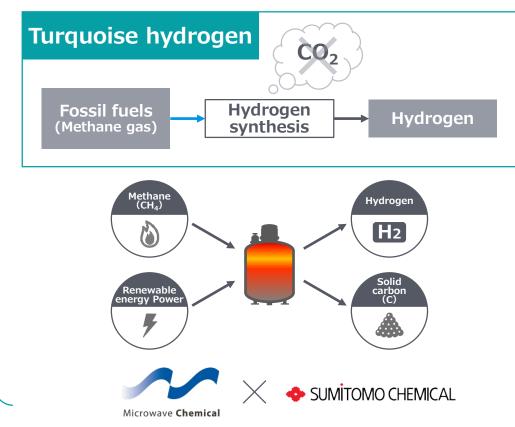


# Manufacture clean hydrogen using the greenhouse gas methane as a feedstock

Feedstock and method of mainstream hydrogen synthesis



# Feedstock and method of our hydrogen synthesis (under development)



Contributions Contribution to GHG reductions in society through the Sumitomo Chemical Group's • SUMITOMO CHEMICAL products and technologies

Work with a variety of partners to lead the deployment into society of products and technologies that contribute to GHG reductions and achieve carbon neutrality globally

Provide products and solutions that contribute to carbon neutrality

License out manufacturing technologies and provide innovative products Customer Spread use of SSS-certified products Customer Carbon footprint evaluation of products

Customer

Trade groups

Drive the development of technologies that contribute to carbon neutrality and their rapid deployment into society

# Build a resources recycling society

- Customer
- Upstream and downstream industries
- National and local governments

Develop and deploy manufacturing process technologies

- Customer
- Academia
- Startups

Carbon Neutral Take on long-term challenges including the development of carbon negative technologies

#### Carbon negative, CCU

- Academia
- Startups

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# Initiatives toward a circular system for plastic resources

- KPIs for a Circular System for Plastics					
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## **KPIs for a Circular System for Plastics**



Advance efforts to contribute to circular systems for resources, the development of recycling technologies and their deployment into society

# **KPI:** The amount of recycled plastics used in manufacturing processes

Drive adoption of technologies for reducing environmental impact and advance circular systems for carbon resources



#### Materials recycling initiatives

Pretreatment, melting and kneading, forming of pellets and reuse of used products

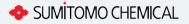
- Study technological alliances with companies on the return end of the cycle
- Commercialization of recycling for automotive components, etc.

#### Chemical recycling initiatives

Chemically react and break down waste, convert it to feedstock or monomers and reuse

- Reuse resources derived from waste
- Develop technologies to synthesize alcohols from CO<sub>2</sub>

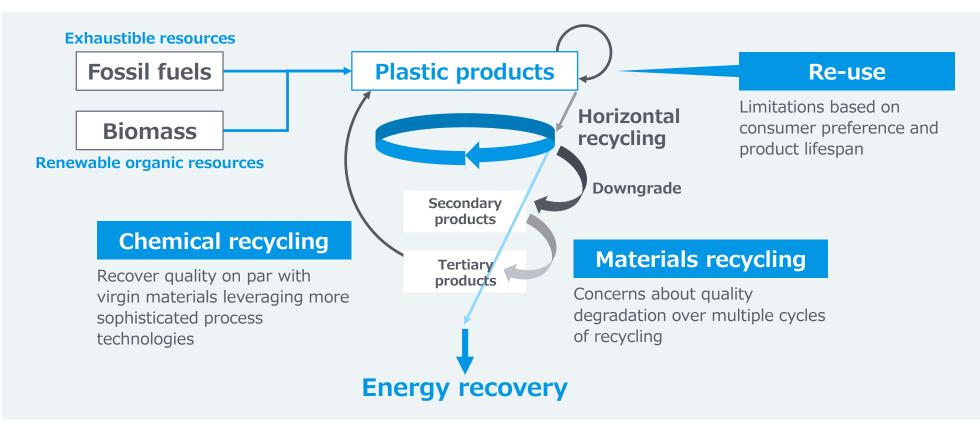
## **Overview of plastics recycling**



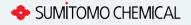
Need to leverage the optimal recycling methods to reuse resources in a circular society

# ${\scriptsize \textcircled{\sc \ominus}}$ Plastics recycling methods

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## Efforts for 3Rs-Reducing, Reusing and Recycling



# Strive to deliver lighter weight and higher performance with plastic products while designing environmentally friendly products

	Examples		Features/Performance				
Reduce	Refill Pouch	洗剂 Detergent			Bottle	Large Refill Pouch	
	Lighter and stronger than bottles			Environme ntal	Weight of packaging materials (g) per 100g of contents	19	1.8
			friendlines s	Transportation efficiency	$\bigtriangleup$	0	
	offers higher transportation efficiency		Utility value	Bag drop strength	Δ	0	
	Returnable Box				Cardboard Paper Box	Returnable Box Expanded PP Sheet	
Reuse	Made of foamed polypropylene sheets and	Presented and the matteries of the second	Environme ntal friendlines s	Number of times one unit of the product can be used	1	50	
	can be used repeatedly			Consumption of packaging materials (kg/year)	24.9 (equivalent to 50 sheets)	1.4	
	offers higher environmental-friendliness, and is superior in water resistance, load			Reusability	×	0	
	capacity and cleanliness.		and the Alternation	AND STREET	Utility value	Water resistance, load bearing, cleanliness	×
Recycle	Glass Fiber Reinforced Polypropylene Material		Environmental Contribution (FY2020)				
	Boasts properties high enough to replace virgin polypropylene, even though it contains as much as 60% by weight recycled		Reduction of virgin polypropylene use		approx. 6,000tons/ year		
	polypropylene.		Reduction of the case of u	GHG emissions, as compared with using virgin polypropylene	approx. 15,800tons/ year (CO2 equivalent)		
	Highly rated by users as a technology meeting circular economy policies				,		

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## **Commercialization of materials recycling**

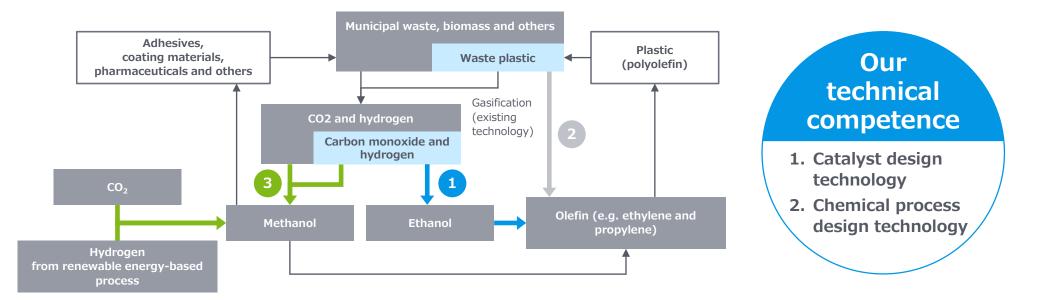
Deploy technologies to perform crushing, melting or other treatments on waste plastic resources to reuse the resources as a material input in a variety of applications



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## **Commercialization of chemical recycling**

Deploy technologies to chemically treat recycled resources and waste plastic resources and convert them to other chemical substances for reuse

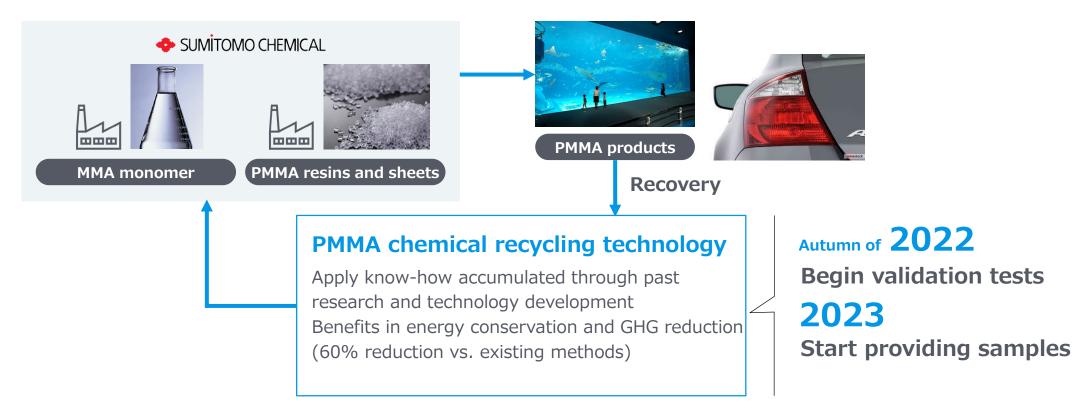


#### Use plastic waste and other waste, instead of fossil fuel feedstock, to manufacture plastics





# ⊖ Build a supply chain for PMMA chemical recycling



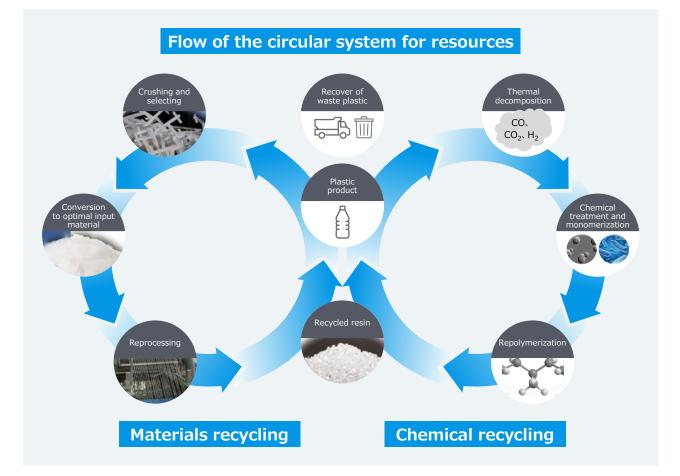
# Efficiently recover and reuse waste plastic resources

## Share value through the Meguri brand

The Meguri<sup>™</sup> brand—a variety of recycled plastic products made using technologies for reducing environmental impact



Build a network for collaboration among customers, industry peers and municipalities while deploying the Meguri<sup>™</sup> lineup of recycled plastic products. Drive broader adoption to contribute to reducing environmental impact (e.g., GHG emissions)



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