



# NANOFORCE

## Opportunities for Nanodeals Generator

**Výskumný ústav chemických vlákien, a.s.**

**Research Institute for Man-Made Fibers, JSC**

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# Company profile / 60 yrs of history

Established:	1951 in Svit
Legal status:	(SME) privately owned JSC
Basic capital:	1.088 mil. €
Annual turnover:	2.90 mil. €
Export share:	50% (CZ, IT, DE, PL, RU, UA, LV, HU)
No. of employees:	78
Management systems:	ISO 9001:2008 & ISO 14001:2004

*established for all R&D and production activities*



# Activities

## Production

- ✓ colour and additive masterbatches (PET, PBT, PA, PP, PE, PS, PMMA, PU, PLA based)
- ✓ PP staple fiber for technical and textile applications
- ✓ mechanical engineering and technology equipment manufacturing

## Research and development

- ✓ EU structural & government funded, FP7 and industry co-financed projects
- ✓ PP, PET, PA polymers for fiber, films and plastics production
- ✓ spinning technologies
- ✓ pigments, additives & their mono- or multi-component masterbatches for applications in mass

## Certification and other services

- ✓ testing labs accredited to ISO/IEC 17025:2005
- ✓ EU notified body no. 1634 for textile toys



# NANOFORCE: Nanodeal Generator Proposals

## Ready-to-use products

- A)** fiber grade Carbon Black masterbatch (fulfills a definition for nano-sized material with annual production = 150 t)
- B)** antimicrobial masterbatch for PP yarn modification
- C)** nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> masterbatch for polymeric systems providing important UV barrier properties

## R&D projects

- D)** multicomponent masterbatch incorporating nano-sized additives for combined halogen-free FR, UV barrier and UV stabilization modification of PP yarns & plastic products



# Nanodeal proposal (A)

## Proposal description:

Masterbatch incorporating Carbon Black for mass dyeing of man-made fibers and plastics using PET, PBT, PA6, PP and PE polymer carriers.

## Technology & product description:

COLORSVIT	CB content	Application
805-PT-22	22%	PES yarn
805-PB-30	30%	PES yarn
806-PA-25	25%	PA6 yarn
805-PA-20	20%	PA plastics
806-PP-20	20%	PP yarn
806-PE-30	30%	PE plastics



# Nanodeal proposal (B)

## Proposal description:

Masterbatch incorporating antimicrobial additive for mass modification of PP fibers.

## Technology & product description:

Standard antimicrobial masterbatch **COLORSVIT 9212-PP-30B** incorporating 30% of inorganic additive with the surface treated by antimicrobial active silver particles.

Antimicrobial PP masterbatch is protected by the patent **SK 286186** (Antimicrobial additive concentrate for doping of synthetic fibers and plastics).

Antimicrobial fibers are protected by the patent **SK 286737** (Antimicrobial polypropylene fiber).

Both patents are in the ownership of VÚCHV, a.s.



# Nanodeal proposal (C)

## Proposal description:

Masterbatch incorporating nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> for mass modification of PP fibers offering UV barrier properties.

## Technology & product description:

Standard nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> masterbatch **COLORSVIT 8500-PP-20** incorporating 20% of nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> additive offering UV barrier modification for PP fibers.

Nano-TiO<sub>2</sub> PP masterbatch is protected by the patent **SK 287999** (Polymeric nanopigmental dispersion and preparation method thereof) in the ownership of VÚCHV, a.s.

Product is fully characterized and available to the customers.



# Nanodeal proposal (D)

## Proposal description:

R&D project proposal for **multicomponent masterbatch** incorporating nano-sized additives for combined **halogen-free FR, UV barrier and UV stabilization** modification of PP yarns & plastic products

## Technology & product description:

Due to the missing state-of-the-art technology the project's area hasn't been patented yet and masterbatch producers currently don't offer multifunctional solutions.

VÚCHV's patents cover individual modifications, e.g.: SK 287999 (Polymeric nanopigmental dispersion and preparation method thereof), SK 286602 (Heat and light stable polypropylene fiber)

For the success of this R&D project and for the validation and implementation of research results, close technical co-operation with the producer of PP fibers and PP plastics will be required. (For the area of PP fibers we suggest Chemosvit Fibrochem, a.s.)

Estimated R&D time is 2 years with the expected budget of 400 kEUR.





# Nanodeal proposals - competences

## Scientific competences & managerial experience:

R&D and production quality of the proposed masterbatch products will be guaranteed by the minimum of:

- 2 researchers/engineers with the minimum of 15 yrs of experience in the given area
- 2 technicians with the min. of 20 yrs of experience in the given area

VÚCHV, a.s. is fully equipped with the R&D infrastructure required for laboratory scale and pilot-scale research as well as standard production equipment incl. the equipment necessary for complex analytical evaluation of processing and utility properties of the masterbatch products.

R&D management is supported by at least 2 specialists with the minimum of 20 yrs of experience in the management of masterbatch R&D and production processes.



# R&D services for polymeric systems, Man-Made fibers and their modifications

**A)** Research and preparation of colour and additive masterbatches for the modifications of synthetic fibers, films and plastics (PP, PA, PET and others)

- UV barrier protection
- Antimicrobial modification
- Light stability
- Nano-size additive modifications
- Thermochromic & luminescent properties
- Antistatic and conductive modifications ( CB, C-NT )
- Other physical and chemical modifications of synthetic fibers
- FR modifications
- Surface dyeability of PP fibers
- Increased thermoplasticity



# A) Masterbatch and compound research

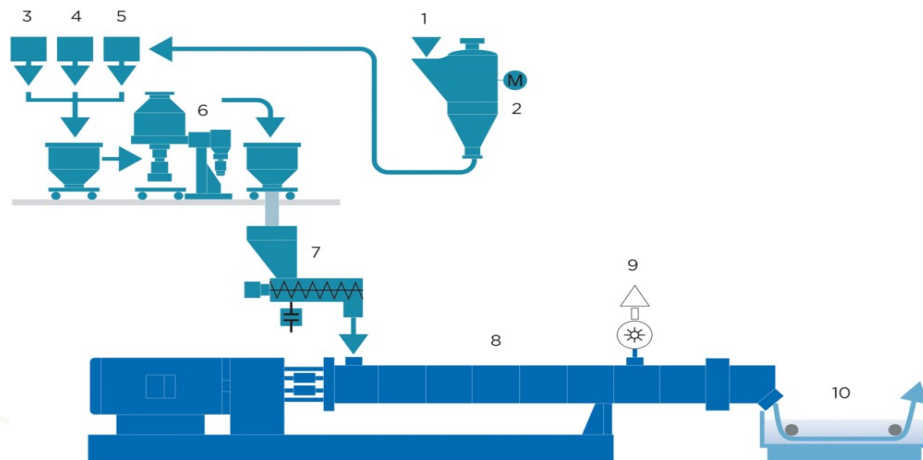
## Premix based extrusion systems:

### *Laboratory scale:*

- twin-screw extruder Werner & Pfleiderer  $\varphi = 28$  mm
- filtration extruder  $\varphi = 25$  mm

### *Pilot scale:*

- twin-screw extruder Werner & Pfleiderer  $\varphi = 53$  mm
- filtration extruder  $\varphi = 32$  mm



# R&D services for polymeric systems, Man-Made fibers and their modifications

**B)** Research and preparation of modified monocomponent and bicomponent (PP, PET, PA) synthetic fibers with defined structural, mechanical and application properties for:

- Textile applications
- Technical applications

## R&D Infrastructure

*Laboratory & pilot scale:*

**B1) Continuous Line 2x  $\varphi = 16$  mm**

- mono-component and bicomponent (M/F, S/S, C/S) PO multifilament fibers
- continual process up to 2500 m/min
- outlet by air for simulation of spun-bond technology



## B) Fiber spinning research

### **B2) LOY Discontinuous Line**

- main extruder  $\varphi = 32$  mm, side extruder  $\varphi = 16$  mm
- spinning up to 1500 m/min with sequential drawing
- mono-component and bicomponent (M/F) PP, PET a PA multifilament fibers
- sequential yarn texturizing optional

### **B3) POY Discontinuous Pilot Line BARMAG**

- main extruder  $\varphi = 50$  mm, side extruder  $\varphi = 16$  mm
- spinning up to 4000 m/min with sequential drawing
- mono-component and bicomponent (M/F) PO multifilament fibers
- sequential yarn texturizing optional
- outlet by air for simulation of spun-bond technology



## B) Fiber spinning research

### **B4) *Continuous Line TV-2***

- extruder  $\varphi = 63$  mm
- volumetric feeder of masterbatch
- spinning up to 2000 m/min
- mono-component PP multifilament technical yarns
- continuous yarn quenching by air optional

### **B5) *Continuous Line FLEISSNER***

- 2 main extruders  $\varphi = 50$  mm, 2 side extruders  $\varphi = 25$  mm
- continuous process up to 150 m/min
- mono-component and bicomponent (M/F) PO staple fibers
- cut length of 6 mm – 150 mm.
- fiber crimping optional



# R&D services for polymeric systems, Man-Made fibers and their modifications

**C)** Complex evaluation of the properties of colour and additive masterbatches, fibers and textile materials by 118 testing methods (27 accredited methods) in laboratories accredited according to EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005

- Polymer rheology
- Light stability
- Physical-mechanical properties
- Flammability and antistatic properties
- Morphology and macromorphological structure
- Special evaluations, e.g. unknown substances identification, determination of technical characteristics of the materials
- Colouristic properties
- Eco-analytical analyses
- Thermal properties



# References of our technical co-operation

## Pigments' development, assessment of their impact on the technological stability of spinning, structural and physical-mechanical properties of yarns

- CIBA AG
- Degussa AG
- Synthesia, a.s.
- Columbian Chemical Co.
- CABOT Corp.
- PRECHEZA, a.s.

## Polymers' evaluation for different synthetic fiber spinning processes

- Slovnaft Petrochemicals
- BASF Polyurethanes
- Unipetrol, a.s.
- Pegas Nonwovens
- POLYMER INSTITUTE BRNO

## Technology development for synthetic fiber and masterbatch production

- BARMAG AG
- Austin Detonator
- Nexis Fibers
- SILON
- Akzo-Nobel Membrana
- Moira
- Chemosvit Fibrochem
- Chemosvit Folie







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