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## **Our Vision: The Interface Experts**

### Agenda:

- Michelman Overview
- Fiber Sizing Fundamentals
- Market Challenge
- Application Review
- Research & Product Portfolio Overview
- Active Research Programs

# **MICHELMAN**°

Company Overview



### **About Michelman**

Purpose: Innovate a sustainable future

#### Established in 1949

- Specialty chemicals
- Customer focused
- Family enterprise

#### Today, Michelman is

- Global
- 475+ employees
- Family owned
- Professionally managed

#### Key Strengths

- Strong Balance Sheet
- Highly Profitable
- Historical Track record of Growth











## **Our Vision: The Interface Experts**

### Mission:

- To become the Experts, delivering new solutions to the Composites Value
   Chain through new and differentiated technology, proven and validated with
   industry-standard equipment, testing, and data.
- To optimize the performance between Fibers, Fabrics and Polymers across all types of composites, whether Thermoplastic or Thermoset.
- To achieve our Mission, a multi-dimensional **Composites Leadership** strategic approach is being deployed.

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Fiber Sizing Fundamentals



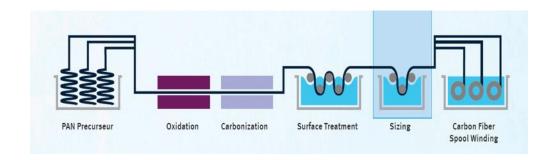
# Sizing – The Secret Sauce

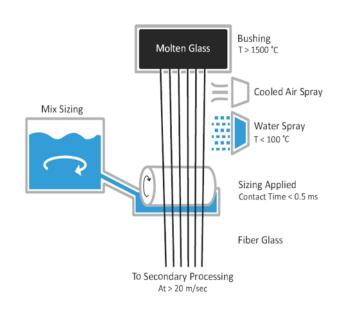




# **Sizing Benefits**

- Protect the freshly formed fiber surface from abrasion F/F, F/M
- Prevent fiber breakage during forming, processing and post processing
- Protect the fiber from the hydrolytic attack by water





# **Sizing Benefits**

Changes in sizing can affect the fiber physical characteristics.

#### **Fiber**

discoloration

solubility

resin wetting

ease of chopping

reduction of static

FDA compliance

reduction of fuzz

bundle integrity



# **Composite Benefits**

Sizing enhances composite **mechanical** and **chemical** properties due to the role it plays at the interface of the fiber and matrix.

- Thermal and hydrolytic stability
- Corrosion resistance
- Heat and oil resistance
- Impact strength
- Tensile and flexural strengths
- Compressive strength
- Fatigue performance
- Electrical conductivity
- And many others



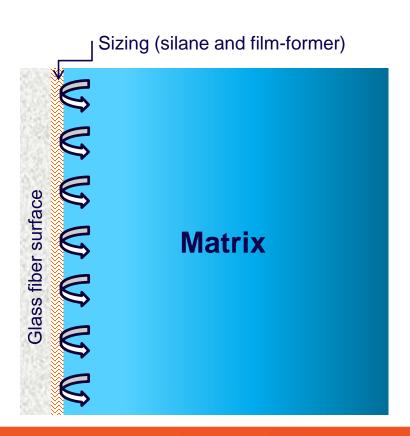




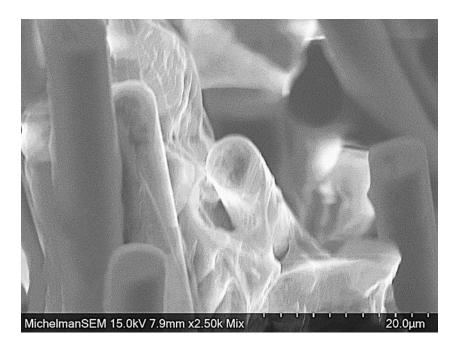
### The Interface - Schematic

When the sized fiber is introduced to the resin matrix the sizing becomes the "glue".

The forces between sizing and matrix can be chemical bonding, hydrogen bonding and Van der Waals interaction.

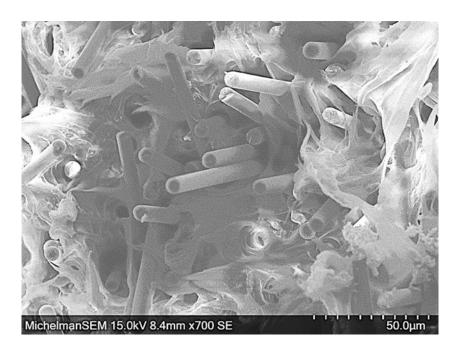


### The Interface – Close up



**Good Adhesion** 

(No pull out fibers)



### **Poor Adhesion**

(Fiber slippage)

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Market Challenge



**Composite Market – Past & Future** 

### **Current State:**

- Compartmentalized
- Complex
- · Inefficient iterative
- Sub-optimized



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## IACMI & Michelman – working to change the market

About IACMI



The Institute for Advanced Composites Manufacturing Innovation, IACMI, is a partnership of industry, academic institutions, as well as federal, state, and local governments that are working together to benefit the nation's energy and economic security. This diverse public/private partnership validates manufacturing technologies that respond to private industry's need for faster and more cost, material, and energy-efficient composite manufacturing, including recycling at the end of product life. IACMI's research and development programs are driven by major industry participation with a focus on reducing technical risk and developing a robust supply chain to support a growing advanced composites industry.

IACMI broadly engages educational, economic development, trade, and professional organizations to build the skills and workforce critical to the growth of composite industry companies of all sizes.

IACMI is managed by Collaborative Composite Solutions Corporation (CCS), a not-for-profit organization established by the University of Tennessee Research Foundation.

Organizations of any size can join IACMI through a membership. Once a part of IACMI, members can benefit from participating in projects, networking with other IACMI members, and participating in workforce development opportunities to meet organizational needs.

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**Application Review** 



## Fiber Type

**Michelman** develops film formers & surface treatments to serve ALL fiber types:

- Glass
- Carbon
- Recycled CF/GF
- Basalt
- Natural
- Synthetic (UHMWPE, etc)



### Fiber Format

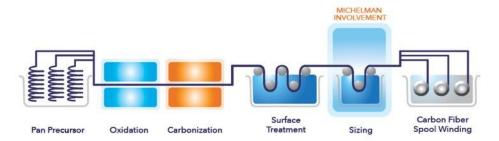
- Chopped Fiber Bundle
- Roving
- Non Woven
- Woven
- Non Crimp Fabric

# **Composite Process**

### **Composite Process:**

- Pultrusion
- Filament Winding
- Compounding
- Molding
- SMC/BMC

- RIM
- (HP) RTM
- UD Tapes
- Technical Textiles
- Pre-Pregs



#### Fiber/Fabric Requirements

- Spreadability
- Wettability
- Dispersion
- Interfacial Adhesion
- Feadability
- Aspect Ratio/Fiber Length

## **Application Requirements**

### **Targeted Applications:**

- Automotive UTH
- Automotive Interiors
- Automotive (Semi) structural
- Construction
  - Tail Lights

    Doory

    Hoods

    Headers & Nose Plands

    Fariders

    Rediators

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    Supports

    Cirilles

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- Aerospace
- Appliances
- Sporting Goods
- Infrastructure

#### **Application Requirements**

- Thermal Stability
- Chemical Resistance
- Fatigue
- Dimensional Control
- Cost
- Stiffness/Strength
- Impact Resistance

# **MICHELMAN®**

Research & Product Portfolio Overview



# **MICHELMAN®**

Current Portfolio Overview



### **Product Overview**

### **Applications**

Sizing – glass fiber, carbon fiber, etc.

Binder – UD tapes, laminates, organo sheets, etc.

Lubricant/Process Aid – spreadability, weavability, etc.



### **Products tailored for Matrix Resin**

#### Products are designed for use in the following matrix resins:

- Polypropylene (PP)
- Polyethylene (PE)
- Polyamide (PA)
- Polyether Imide (PEI)
- Polyether Ether Ketone (PEEK)
- Polyphenylene Sulfide (PPS)
- Thermoplastic Polyurethane (TPU)
- Polyester, (Un)saturated
- Vinylester
- Epoxy
- Products tailored to meet the specific applications, environmental footprint

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$$\left\{ (CH_2)_n - \frac{0}{C} - NH \right\}$$

## **Polypropylene Matrix**

Michelman offers an extensive line of emulsions made to fit PP composite properties.

PRODUCT	MECHANICAL PERFORMANCE	DETERGENT RESISTANCE	COLOR	MW	GRAFTING LEVEL	CHOPPED STRAND	LONG FIBER REINFORCED THERMOPLASTIC	ODOR PERFORMANCE	
FGLASS™ X48		•	•	•	•		•		<ul> <li>Good performance</li> </ul>
Hydrosize <sup>®</sup> PP-201	•	•	•		•		•	•	<ul><li>Better performance</li><li>Best performance</li></ul>
Hydrosize <sup>®</sup> PP-247	•	•	•	•	•	•			
Hydrosize <sup>®</sup> PP-286	•	•	•	•		•	•		
Michem® Emulsion 91735	•	•	•	•		•	•		

Products listed are illustrative – for complete portfolio, please contact a Michelman representative

## **Polyamide Matrix**

Polyurethane dispersions have been the sizing of choice for polyamide (PA) reinforced composites. Polyurethanes are tough materials with good adhesion to PA6 and PA66. We <u>design</u> our own polyurethanes to meet our customer needs by changing the chemistry to modify flexibility, toughness, Tg, chemical resistance, mechanical properties, etc.

PRODUCT	MECHANICAL PERFORMANCE	GLYCOL RESISTANCE	THERMAL RESISTANCE	LONG FIBER REINFORNCED THERMOPLASTIC	STRAND INTEGRITY	CHOPPED STRAND	EU FOOD COMPLIANCE
Hydrosize® U2023	•	•	•	•	•	•	YES
Hydrosize® U5-01	•	•	•		•	•	
Hydrosize® U5-02	•	•	•	•	•	•	YES
Hydrosize® U6-01	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Hydrosize® U8-02	•	•	•	•	•	•	YES
Hydrosize® LINK U470	•	•	•		•	•	
Hydrosize® LINK U480	•	•	•	•	•	•	

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Good performance

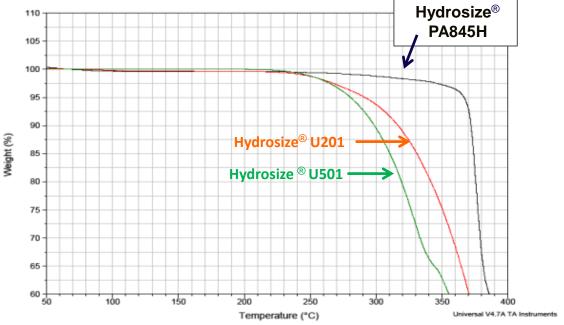
Better performance

Best performance

## **Polyamide – High Temperature**

We use a proprietary technology to make polyamide dispersions. These products are designed with thermal resistance in mind. Compared to polyurethanes, polyamide (Hydrosize® PA845H) dispersions can withstand

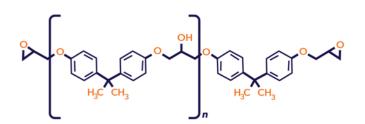
higher processing & end-use temperatures.

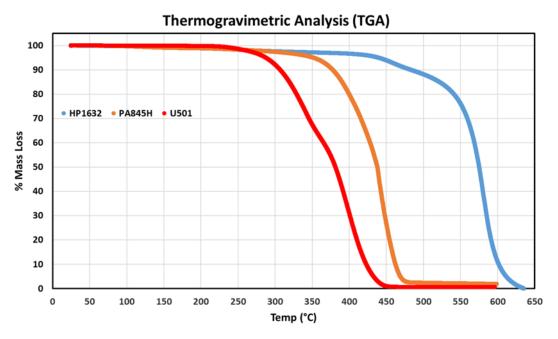


# **High Temperature Sizing**

Our Hydrosize®HP-1632 is specially designed for materials and applications that require extreme thermal resistance

PRODUCT	PEEK	PEI	PPS	PPA
Hydrosize® HP-1632	•	•	•	
Hydrosize® PA845H	•			•
Hydrosize® U5-01	•		•	•





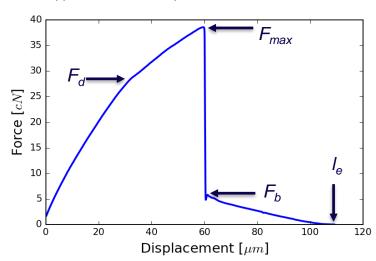
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Research Activity Overview

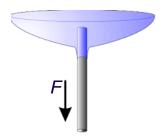


# **Single Fiber Pullout Test**

Typical curve for pullout test



 The FIMATEST analysis software automatically determines the relevant parameters from the forcedisplacement curve, F<sub>d</sub>, F<sub>max</sub>, F<sub>b</sub>, I<sub>e</sub> etc. ...



 $F_d$ : crack is initiated

 $F_{max}$ : crack reaches tip of fibre

 $F_b$ : no bonding left, only frictional forces

- ...and calculates the sought-after quantities  $\tau_{\rm f},\,\tau_{\rm app},\,\tau_{\rm d}$  and  ${\rm G_{ic}}$ 

### Fiber Pullout Test

#### **Calculated parameters**

•	Apparent interfacial shear strength	$ au_{app}$	[MPa]
•	Local interfacial shear strength	$\tau_{d}$	[MPa]
•	Interfacial frictional stress	$ au_{f}$	[MPa]
•	Critical interfacial energy release rate	$G_{ic}$	$[J/m^2]$

#### **Significance of the Important parameters:**

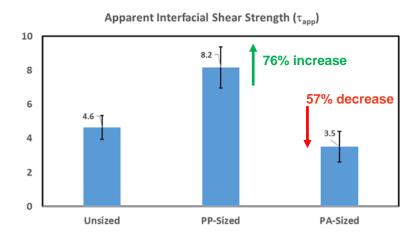
- τ<sub>app</sub>: based on the maximum force F<sub>max</sub>.
   Good for a first relative comparison of the fibre-to-maxtrix adhesion (influence of fibre-to-matrix friction)
- $\tau_d$ : based on the debonding force  $F_d$ .

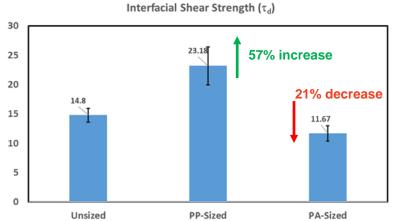
  Absolute measure of the fibre-to-matrix adhesion, independent from friction and corrected for deformation of fibre and matrix during the pull-out test
- $G_{ic}$ : Describes the energy required to debond the fibre per unit contact surface area.

### **Research Initiatives**

<u>Problem Statement</u>: Investigate effect and improvement of interfacial properties of compatible sizing versus un-sized and incompatible sized fiber in <u>carbon fiber</u> <u>reinforced polypropylene composites</u>

Michelman activity: Evaluation of polypropylene compatible sizing compared to incompatible sizing and un-sized carbon fiber using Single Fiber Pullout test

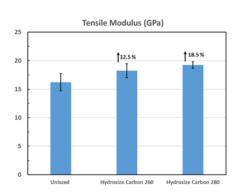


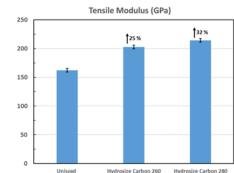


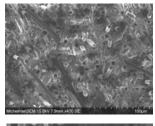
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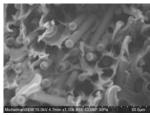
<u>Problem Statement</u>: Evaluate nylon compatible sizing and its effect on <u>carbon fiber</u> <u>reinforced nylon composites</u>

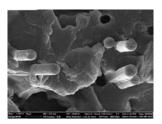
<u>Michelman activity</u>: Initiate micro-compounding and molding evaluation of nylon compatible sizing in carbon fiber reinforced nylon composites (30% fiber loading)

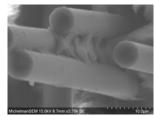












Un-sized Fiber Sized Fiber

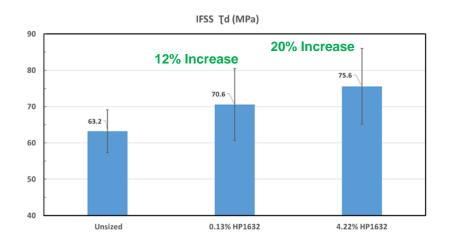
• Up to 18.5 % improvement in Tensile Modulus

• Up to 32 % improvement in Tensile Strength

### **Research Initiatives**

<u>Problem Statement</u>: Determine effect of thermally stable sizing on interfacial performance of <u>carbon fiber reinforced PEKK composites</u>

Michelman activity: Initiate single fiber pullout evaluation of thermally stable sizing in PEKK composite compared to conventional sized carbon fiber



	% Improvement in Interfacial Properties after Sizing					
Fibers	Apparent IFSS	Cr. Energy Release Rate	IFSS			
	Тарр	Gic	Td			
	MPa	J/m²	MPa			
CF-0.13% Sizing	7.92	29.01	11.61			
CF-4.2% Sizing	19.87	29.48	19.53			

## **Active Research Programs**

- IACMI Closing the Loop on Automotive Carbon Fiber Prepreg Manufacturing Scrap
   Project Lead: Vartega
- IACMI Low Cost Basalt Fiber for Automotive Applications Project Lead: Michelman
- IACMI Silicone-free Spin Finish for PAN Precursor Fiber Project Lead: Michelman
- IACMI SMC Reinforced by Recycled or Textile Based Carbon Fibers Project Lead: CCS Corp(IACMI)
- ACMA/IACMI Glass Fiber/Carbon Fiber Recycling
- ITA Aachen In Situ Polymerization Caprolactum Carbon Fiber Composites

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Thank You

