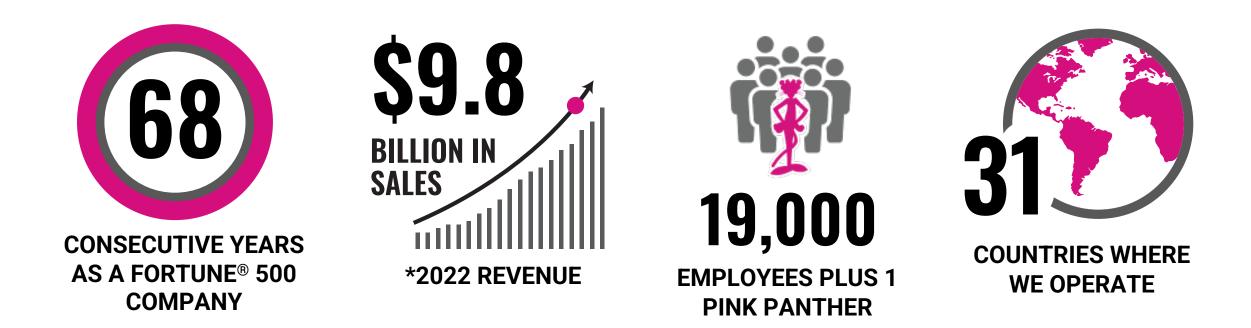


THERMOSET MATERIAL DATA CARDS AND PROCESS MODELING - GAME CHANGER FOR SMC MARKET

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OWENS CORNING AT A GLANCE



Serving residential, commercial, and industrial markets

INSULATION | ROOFING | COMPOSITES



REDUCING OUR ENVIRONMENTAL FOOTPRINT IS KEY

2021 energy savings

Initiated

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energy-saving projects

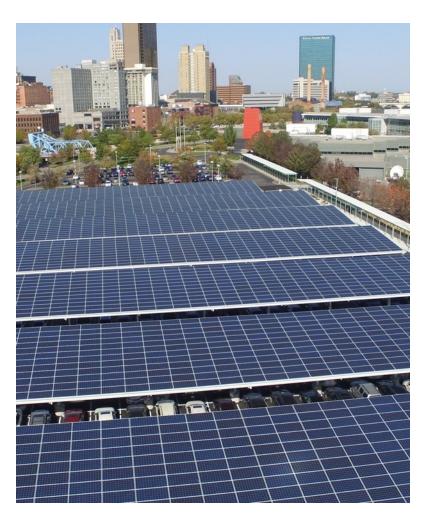
Shrank energy use by

34,000+

megawatt hours

Reduced greenhouse gas emissions by over

8,000 metric tons





Welcome to the

A ONE-STOP SHOP

for development of **customized solutions** to **optimize the end product** and **bring future material conversion** opportunities to life.



A COMPREHENSIVE RESOURCE





TEST performance characteristics **MODEL** Produce using composite material



SHOW

cost/performance of the end part



SMC MARKET PAIN POINTS

- SMC is one of the leading materials for many composite markets (Transportation, Automotive, Sanitary ...)
- SMC is made up of TS resin, long chopped fibers, fillers & additives, all those ingredients interacts together during manufacturing
- During the compression molding process, SMC material will flow to fill the mold and shape the part
- The flow pattern dictates the fiber distribution and accordingly the final part performance
- For complex part shapes, our customers often experience high performance variability & part defects leading to not meeting the specs.





SMC MATERIAL DATA CARDS & PROCESS MODELING

Unique capability to develop full characterization



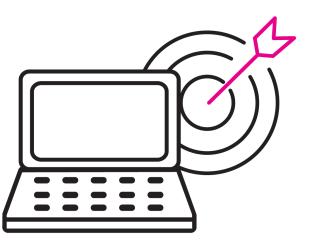
One of few labs globally

Start-to-finish modeling from material data cards to part design



Saves time and money

Increased accuracy for predictive modeling



SMC design applications



VALUE FOR COMPOUNDERS

The PINKTANK[™] team determines the **right process** using the **right product**. We test and quantify the outcome of the formulation to **substantially limit** the "guesswork", **saving time** and **money**.



Use of material data cards to determine



Low formula variability



Optimized formulation (FW fraction)



Tweaks for different applications (viscosity, reactivity, etc.)



Root cause of quality concerns (mechanical, aesthetics, etc.)



Target (medium) range of viscosity & reactivity for ideal balance

Better understanding of material data card = better design of SMC



VALUE FOR MOLDERS

The PINKTANK[™] team determines the **right process** using the **right product**. We test and quantify the outcome of the formulation to **optimize productivity** and **save money**.



Use of material data cards to determine



Flow prediction



Part design



Ideal Molding Parameters

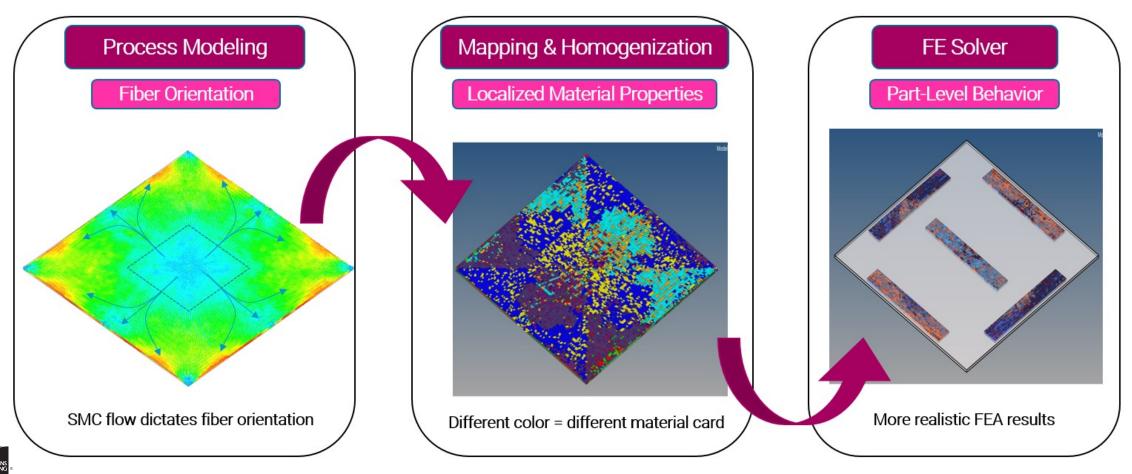


Defect reduction



OWENS CORNING CAPABILITY FROM MATERIAL DATA CARDS TO PERFORMANCE, QUALTY & PRODUCTIVITY

Leverage fiber orientation & distribution obtained on micro-scale to understand localized part performance, identify weakness areas, and optimize design.



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SMC TEST CASE FLAT PANEL

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Process modeling able to accurately predict filling pattern of SMC material within flat panel mold.

Experimental





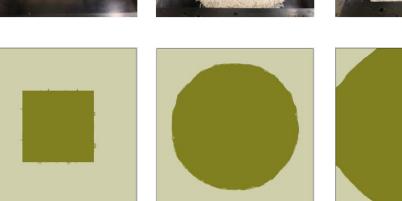
Moldex3D



Mold & Charge

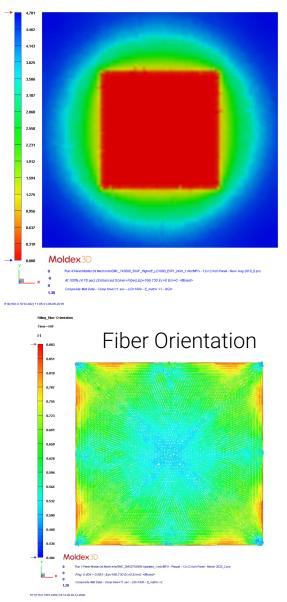


Simulation





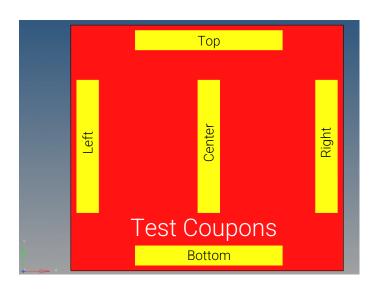
Mold Flow

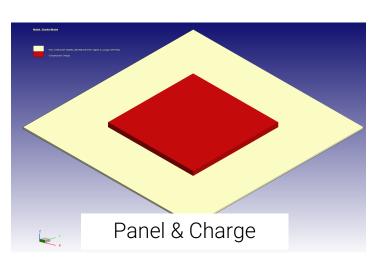


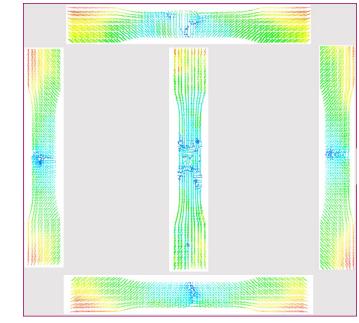


SMC FLAT PANEL TEST CASE

Predicting impact of fiber orientation on tensile properties within flat SMC panel.



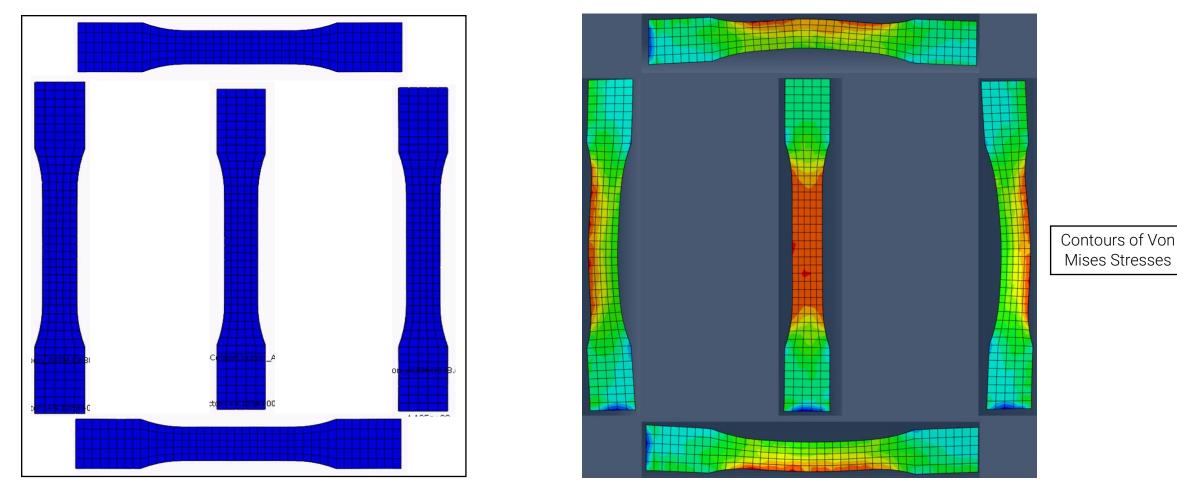




Fiber Orientation



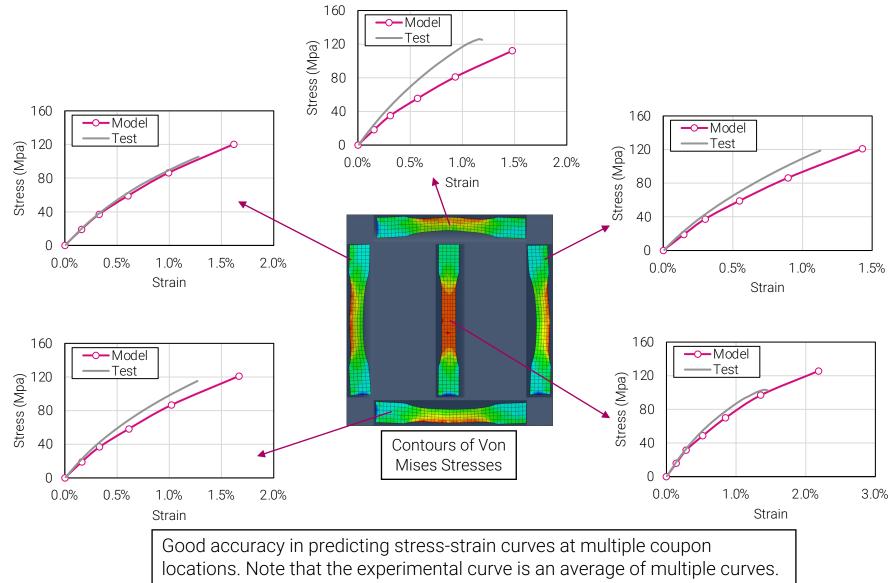
COUPLED FEA SIMULATION



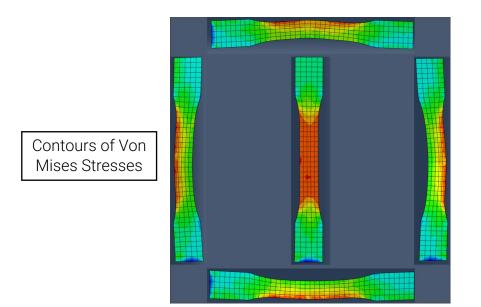
- Each coupon deforms differently based on its fiber orientation.
- Bending toward the outer edge where there is higher fiber alignment.
- Center coupon does no bend due to random fiber orientation.



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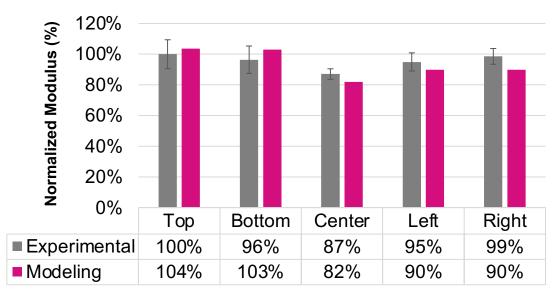


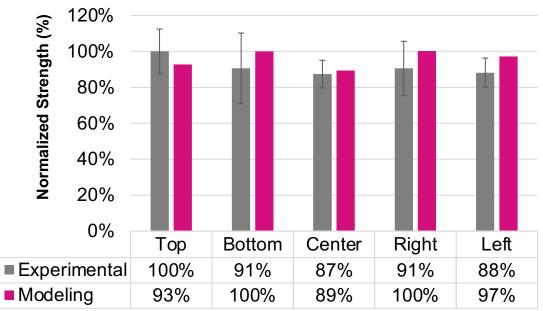
COUPLED FEA SIMULATION



	Test data	Model data
Min Strength	87% @ Center	89% @ Center
Max Strength	100% @ Top	100% @ Bottom & Right
Mean Strength	91%	96%
Standard Deviation	4.5%	4.3%

+90% accuracy in predicting SMC stiffness and strength by this modeling approach! This could not be achieved without the accurate Material Data Cards.

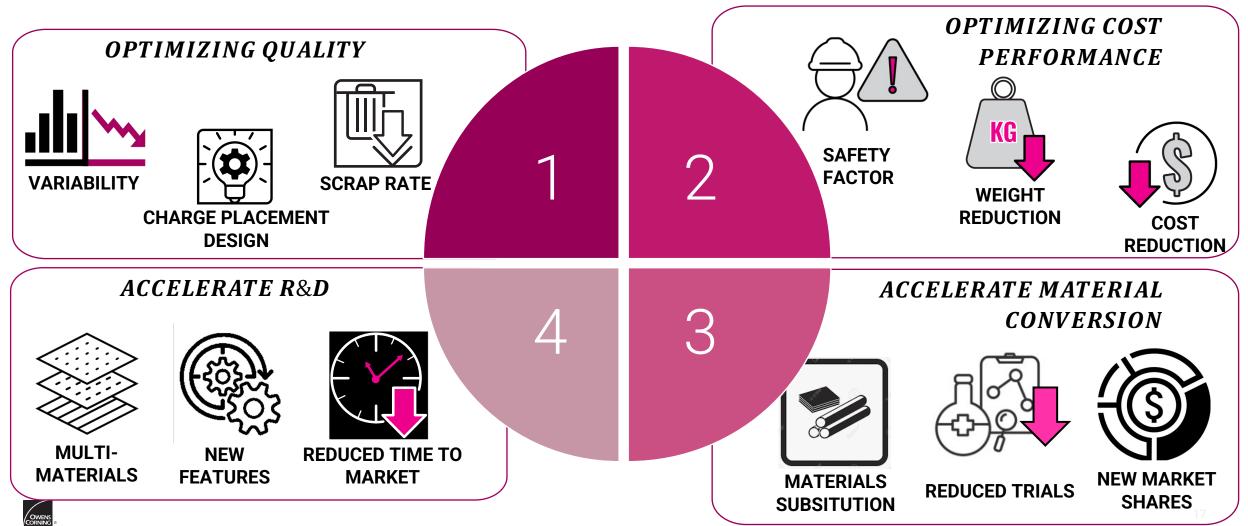






DESIGN AT THE SERVICE OF SMC Better quality. More Benefits. More opportunities.

• A boost in quality, part performance or cost optimization through design.





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