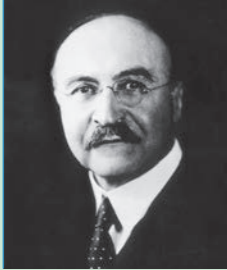


History of Value Creation


As a Japanese pioneer in plastics manufacturing, we have always worked to expand the potential of plastics and create value, helping solve the issues confronting society in every age. We will continue to grow and evolve as the fields in which plastics are utilized expand in the future.

Product History


1907
Dr. Baekeland developed phenolic resin, named it "Bakelite"



1911
Sankyo Company (currently Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.) began test manufacturing of phenolic resin



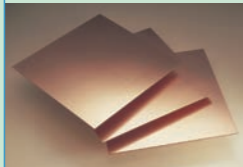
1932
Started outside sales of phenolic molding compounds




1962
Started sales of rigid PVC sheets, "SUMILITE" VSS



Developed epoxy resin copper-clad laminates, "SUMILITE" ELC



1968
Developed epoxy molding compounds for encapsulation, "SUMIKON" EME



1971
Started sales of polycarbonate resin plates




1976
Started sales of multi-layer films and sheets, "SUMILITE" CEL



1981
Started sales of medical devices



1991
Started domestic sales and production of freshness-preserving films, P-Plus



2007
Started sales of S-Bio-related products



2014
Entered the aircraft interior components business



2020
Developed plant-derived phenolic resin (lignin modified phenolic resin)




* Figures on or before fiscal 2016 shows "net sales" based on Japanese GAAP, and on or after fiscal 2017 shows "revenue" based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).
* The three-month period fiscal from January 1, 1989 to March 31, 1989 is omitted.

1907-1955

Dr. Baekeland developed phenolic resin. Started manufacture of plastics in Japan. Launched Sumitomo Bakelite Co., Ltd. in 1955.

1956-1981

Started production and sales of products in various fields, including rigid PVC sheets "SUMILITE" VSS, epoxy resin molding compounds for encapsulation "SUMIKON" EME.

1982-2020

Starting with the company establishment in Singapore, expanded business to Asia, North America, Europe, and other countries around the world, Expanded business scale and accelerated entry into new business areas through domestic and international acquisition.

2021-

Aiming to achieve "top shares in niche markets" in the functional chemical sector, while further expanding our scale of business.
Toward becoming "a company that makes your dreams for the future a reality."

Company History

1932
Established Nippon Bakelite Co., Ltd., and succeeded phenolic resin business from Sankyo Co., Ltd.

1940
Opend Tsukaguchi Plant of Gosei Jushi Kogyosho K.K. (currently Amagasaki Plant)

1955
Nippon Bakelite Co., Ltd. merged with Sumitomo Synthetic Resin Industries, Ltd. to found Sumitomo Bakelite Co., Ltd.

1962
Opened Shizuoka Plant

1972
Established Kyushu Bakelite Industry Co., Ltd. (currently Kyushu Sumitomo Bakelite Co., Ltd.)

1982
Established Sumitomo Bakelite Singapore Pte. Ltd.

1984
Opened Utsunomiya Plant

1990
Established SNC Industrial Laminates Sdn. Bhd. (Malaysia)

1991
Opened Kobe Fundamental Research Laboratory (currently Kobe Facility Office)

1994
Launched Akita Sumitomo Bakelite Co., Ltd.
Launched Sumitomo Bakelite (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd. (currently Sumitomo Bakelite (Dongguan) Co., Ltd.)

1995
Established Sumitomo Bakelite (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.

1998
Established Sumitomo Bakelite (Taiwan) Co., Ltd.

2000
Acquired phenolic resin business from Oxidental Chemical Corporation (US)

2001
Established Sumitomo Bakelite Macau Co., Ltd.

2005
Acquired Vyncolit (Belgium/US)

2007
Established Sumitomo Bakelite (Nantong) Co., Ltd. Merged with Tsutsunaka Plastic Industry Co., Ltd.

2014
Acquired Vaupell Holdings, Inc. (US) to enter the aircraft interior components business

2021
Launched SB-Kawasumi Laboratories, Inc. through integration between Kawasumi Laboratories, Inc. and medical device business of Sumitomo Bakelite Co., Ltd.