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BASF – The Chemical Company

BASF is the world's leading chemical company and employees around 95,000 people on five continents that are the key to our success. Our portfolio ranges from chemicals, plastics, performance products, agricultural products and fine chemicals to crude oil and natural gas.

As a reliable partner to virtually all industries, our intelligent solutions and high-value products help our customers all over the world to be more successful. Our strength is the fast translation of market trends and new ideas into marketable innovations. Worldwide, approximately 8,000 employees work in research and development at BASF.

We innovate for growth

We have combined the important technology-driven issues of particular relevance for future development in five "growth clusters": energy management, raw material change, nanotechnology, plant biotechnology and white (industrial) biotechnology.

BASF is one of the world's leading companies in the field of chemical nanotechnology, which it is already using in numerous established fields of activity such as polymer dispersions, pigments or catalysts.

BASF is exploring the physical and chemical properties and the production of nanoparticles. These materials are integrated into products to improve their performance or create completely new properties. Similarly, BASF is investigating processes for generating nanostructures which also provide improved or novel properties, for example on surfaces or within materials.

Faster success through cooperation

Next to scientists in the BASF lab at the University of Strasbourg (ISIS, Institut de Science et d'Ingénierie Supramoléculaires) that are developing synthesis routes for plastic foams with nanodimensional pores and our Competence Center for Nanostructured Surfaces in Singapore, we have more than 1200 R&D cooperations with universities, research institutes and other R & D enterprises. These are an important source for innovation and enables BASF access to new technologies and know-how.

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