

Corporate Profile





Zeon makes the Future Today through the Power of Chemistry

We will continue to meet challenges with unique technologies to advance the sustainable development of society and the global environment.



Zeon has been dramatically transformed over the seventy years since its establishment in 1950. Our corporate philosophy, "Zeon contributes to the preservation of the Earth and the prosperity of the human race," is intended to express the significance of our company name, which is drawn from the Greek words for Earth (geo) and eternity (eon). Looking back on the journey of our business, we developed the GPB method, the process for extracting butadiene from C4 fractions as the raw material for synthetic rubbers, and dominated the world as the leader in exporting this technology, thereby establishing Zeon's technological prowess. Then our development of the GPI method for extracting isoprene made us the only company in the world to comprehensively and effectively use C5 fractions. This in turn led to the creation of countless products, including specialty plastics, optical films, RIM formulations, thermoplastic elastomers and synthetic aromatic chemicals. These two processes carried our business development forward on the twin drivers of Elastomers and Specialty Materials to establish a unique position in the chemical industry. Meanwhile, we continuously faced new challenges to aggressively expand into countries outside Japan. Today we maintain over 40 Group companies with more than 3,000 employees.

In its latest business advance, Zeon became first in the world to mass produce carbon nanotubes (CNTs), a dream material of the future, through joint research with Japan's National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST). We have established a production facility for CNT, which has great potential to become the next major new material, at our Tokuyama Plant in Yamaguchi Prefecture. The history of Zeon is marked by innovation, and we are resolved to continue rising to new challenges as a Group, toward achieving sustainable development for the next generation. We seek your continued support and encouragement.

Corporate Philosophy

Zeon is contributing to the preservation of the Earth and the prosperity of the human race.

ZEON, with its name drawn from words signifying the Earth (geo) and eternity (eon), is committed to responsible stewardship of the global environment as the foundation for human prosperity through the development and application of unique, world-leading technologies.

Zeon CSR Policy

- We will ensure compliance and meet society's needs for safety and security.
- •We will contribute to sustainably developing society and protecting the global environment through our corporate activities.
- •We will ensure that each and every Zeon person is aware of CSR and acts accordingly.

In 2011 the Zeon Group formulated the SZ-20 management plan targeting 2020, and its Phase I and Phase II have already been implemented. In the latest move, we launched Phase III to take on new challenges under a mid-term management plan covering the period from fiscal 2017 to fiscal 2020. Under our Vision, which forms the backbone of the plan, we will forge on toward realizing our Enterprise Blueprint for 2020.

Vision **Enterprise Blueprint for 2020** Zeon Makes the Future Today through the Power of Chemistry Key Sense of Value **Treasured Characteristics of Zeon** Speed Mutual Trust and Confidence Dialogue

among Zeon Members

Zeon will continue to contribute to the realization of customer dreams and a prosperous society by providing solutions that combine eco-friendly products and services.

Social Contribution

To fulfill this mission, we will cherish Zeon's unique, open atmosphere, based on mutual trust and confidence among Zeon members and act with the three core values of speed, dialogue, and social contribution.

We will strive to make the Zeon Group a company we can be proud of by acting on these values, ever grateful for customers around the world who recognize and praise the Zeon brand.



Contributing to society with unique technologies based on our philosophy: Create products from materials supplied by mother earth and contribute to the prosperity of humankind.

Corporate Profile

Name	Zeon Corporation	
Established	April 12, 1950	
Capital	24.2 billion yen (as of March 31, 2020)	
Consolidated Sales	321,966 million yen (FY 2019)	
Employees	3,462 (as of March 31, 2020)	
Business Descriptions Elastomer Business: synthetic rubbers; synthetic		
	latexes and chemicals	
	Specialty Materials Business: specialty plastics and optical materials; information materials; energy	
	materials; specialty chemicals and medical products	
	Others: RIM (reaction injection molding) formulation liquid and products, paints, etc.	

Offices and Plants

Head Office	Shin Marunouchi Center Building, 1-6-2 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8246, Japan TEL: +81-3-3216-1772 FAX: +81-3-3216-0501		
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Takaoka Plant	630 Ogino, Takaoka-shi, Toyama 933-8516, Japan TEL: +81-766-21-0252 FAX: +81-766-23-7265		
Kawasaki Plant	1-2-1 Yako, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki, Kanagawa 210-9507, Japan TEL: +81-44-276-3700 FAX: +81-44-276-3701		
Tokuyama Plant	2-1 Nachi-cho, Shunan-shi, Yamaguchi 745-0023, Japan TEL: +81-834-21-8501 FAX: +81-834-21-8793		
Mizushima Plant	2767-1 Kojima Shionasu Aza Niihama, Kurashiki-shi, Okayama 711-8511, Japan TEL: +81-86-475-0021 FAX: +81-86-475-1169		
R&D Center	1-2-1 Yako, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki, Kanagawa 210-9507, Japan TEL: +81-44-276-3721 FAX: +81-44-276-3720		



Head office



R&D Center

Stock Listing Tokyo Shareholders 9,284 (as of March 31, 2020)

Major Shareholders	Number of shares held	Percentage of ownership
The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.	22,682	10.38
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	10,922	5.00
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account)	9,806	4.49
Mizuho Bank, Ltd.	9,600	4.39
National Mutual Insurance Federation of Agricultural	7,700	3.52
Asahi Mutual Life Insurance Company	7,679	3.51
Asahi Kasei Corporation	6,438	2.95
BNY GCM CLIENT ACCOUNT JPRD AC ISG(FE-AC)	5,921	2.71
The Norinchukin Bank	4,000	1.83
Zeon Corporation Client Stock Ownership Association	3,783	1.73

Note: Treasury stocks (18,515 thousand shares) are not included in the above list.

Consolidated Net Sales and Outside of Japan Sales









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1950	2000)s			
1950	Apr.	The Japanese Geon Co., Ltd. founded to manufacture and sell plastics with starting capital of 5 million yen. Head Office set up within Nippon Light Metal Co., Ltd. (7-3 Ginza Nishi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo).	2000	Mar. Jul.	
1951	Jan.	Technical assistance contract for the manufacture of polyvinyl chloride resins (PVC) concluded with BF Goodrich Chemicals Co. of the U.S.A.	2001 2002	Dec. Oct.	
1952 1953	Apr. Sep.	PVC production began at Kanbara Plant (Shizuoka Pref.). Technological Research Laboratory opens.	2003	Mar.	
1956 1959	Nov. Jul.	PVC production began at Takaoka Plant (Toyama Pref.). Production of Japan's first synthetic rubbers began at Kawasaki Plant (Kanagawa Pref.). Central Research Laboratory opens.	2004	Jul. Aug Apr.	
1960	Cs			Aug	
1961	Sep.	Listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Listed on the Osaka and Nagova Stock Exchanges in October	2005	Oct. Feb.	
1965	Jun. Aug.	Head Office moves to 2-6-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo. Butadiene and SBR production using the GPB Process (Zeon's proprietary technology for extracting butadiene) began		Mor	
1967	Mar.	Kanbara Plant closed.			
1969	Aug.	PVC production began at Mizushima Plant (Okayama Pref.).			
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1970	Sep.	All stock of The Japanese Geon held by BF Goodrich Chemical Co. of the U.S.A. transferred to Japanese interest.		Dec	
1971	Nov.	English company name changed to Nippon Zeon Co., Ltd. GPI (Zeon's proprietary technology for extracting Isoprene) facility completed in Mizushima Plant and production of IR	2007	Aug	
1973 1978	Au Feb.	begin at the plant. C5 hydrocarbon resin production began at Mizushima Plant. Production of NBR began at Tokuyama Plant.	2008	Sep.	
1980	Os		2009	Jan.	
1980	Apr.	Synthetic aromatic chemicals production began at Mizushima		_	
1982	Jul.	Electronic materials business launched.	201	<u>0s</u>	
1984	Apr.	Production of Zetpol [®] (hydrogenated NBR) began at Takaoka Plant.	2010	Feb.	
1985	Nov. Dec.	Entire company awarded Deming Prize for TQC. Production of thermoplastic elastomer SIS began at Mizushima Plant.	2011	Dec. Feb.	
1986	Mar. Aug.	Production of polymerized toner began at Kawasaki Plant. Solution-polymerized SBR production began at Tokuyama Plant.		Jul. Oct.	
1989	Mar.	Nitrile rubber operations of BP Chemical Ltd. in U.K. purchased.	2012	Feb.	
	Sep. Oct.	RIM products business launched. Specialty rubber business of BF Goodrich Chemicals Co. of the U.S.A. purchased.	2013 2014	Aug Mar Apr.	
1990	Os		2015	Jul.	
1990	Feb.	Company becomes first enterprise in the world to receive		Nev	
	Oct.	A comprehensive medical equipment plant completed within the Takagira Diagt	2016	Apr	
	Nov.	ZEONEX® (COP, cyclo-olefin polymer) plant completed within the Mizushina Plant	2010	-τρι	
1994	Jul.	Environmental materials business launched in its entirety.			
	001.	(Kawasaki and Mizushima Plants acquire ISO 9002 Certification. (Kawasaki and Mizushima Plants acquire certification in 1995.) Combined septic tank production facility completed at	001-	Dec.	
1995	Jul.	PVC business via transfer to Shin Dai-ichi Vinyl Corporation	2017	reb.	
1998	Jun.	spun-off. Construction of C5 hydrocarbon resin plant of Zeon Chemicals		Mar.	
	Sep.	(Thailand) Co., Ltd. completed. Sales of ZEONOR® (COP), started.		May	
	Nov.	Takaoka Plant acquires ISO 14001 certification. (Tokuyama, Mizushima, and Kawasaki Plants acquire certification in 1999.)		Aug. Sep.	

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		(Kawasaki and Mizushima Plants acquire certification in 1995.)
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		Mizushima Plant
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		(Thailand) Co. 1 td. completed
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	Nov.	Takaoka Plant acquires ISO 14001 certification. (Tokuyama,
		Mizushima, and Kawasaki Plants acquire certification in 1999.)
	Dec	Production facility for ZEOBOBA® completed at Takaoka Plant
	DCU.	NDD Is using a frame DOM Or a share a state of the LLO A recorded at the state.
	-	NBH business from DSIVI Copolymer of the U.S.A. purchased.
1999	Sep.	Specialty rubber business from the Goodyear Tire & Rubber
		Company of the U.S.A. purchased.

2000s				
2000	Mar.	PVC production at Mizushima Plant discontinued. Company withdraws from vinvl chloride business		
	Jul.	Company logo changed and English company name changed to Zeon Corporation to mark the 50th anniversary.		
2001	Dec	ZeonorFilm® (I CD ontical film) launched		
2001	Oct.	Green Sustainable Chemistry Minister of the Environment Award		
2003	Mar. Jul.	Manufacturing and sales company for logistics materials established. RIMTEC Corporation founded		
	Aua.	Construction of a polymerized color toner plant began.		
2004	Apr.	Construction of the facility for LCD diffusion plates made with COP completed		
		Construction of a new CMB (Carbon Master Batch) factory		
		completed in Guangzhou, China.		
	Aug.	New Low-k dielectric material for inter-layer insulation developed.		
	Ocť.	COP production capacity improved to 15,000 tons.		
2005	Feb.	Construction of Precision Optics Laboratory and ZeonorFilm®		
		Complex No. 5 at Takaoka Plant completed.		
		Relocated head office to current location at 1-6-2 Marunouchi,		
		Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo.		
	Mar.	Constructed new manufacturing facility and launched sales of New Ether Solvent (CPME).		
	Oct.	Construction of R&D facility for chemicals development completed		
		in Yonezawa City, Yamagata Pref.		
2006	Apr.	Completed R&D building No. 10.		
	May	CPMT Young Award received from the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and		
		Electronics Engineers) for development of COP insulation film.		
	Dec.	Production capacity expanded for synthetic aromatic chemicals		
		and leaf alcohol.		
2007	Aug.	Received Association Award from the Society of Synthetic Organic		
		Chemistry, Japan, for the development and commercialization of CPME.		
	Sep.	Won METI Minister's Prize of the second Monozukuri Nippon		
		Grand Award for Optical Films.		
2008	Jun.	New facility for optical films constructed in Himi City, Toyama Pref.		
2009	Jan.	Construction of the Integrated Product Center (IPC) at the		
		Mizushima Plant completed.		
		Optes Inc. absorbed by Zeon.		

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2011	Feb.	Zeon Korea Co., Ltd. rounded.		
		Profiles in Sustainability Award received in the product category at		
	11	INIONNEXUSA 2011 IOFOPMIE.		
	Jul.	Zeon (Snanghai) Co., Lto. In China established.		
	Uct.	New production facility for retardation film completed in Himi City,		
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2012	reb.	Zeon Manufacturing Vietnam Co., Ltd. Tourided.		
2012	Aug. Mor	Tobas Corporation becomes subsidiary through TOP		
2013	Apr	Construction of Zoon Chamicals Singapore Pta. Ltd. completed		
2014	Apr.	Production of S SBD baging		
2015	hul	Zeon India Private Limited in India established		
2010	oui.	Zeon Kasei Mexico S.A. de C.V. established in San Luis Potosí		
		City Mexico		
	Nov.	Construction of carbon nanotube (CNT) production facility		
		completed at Tokuyama Plant.		
2016	Apr.	Prizes for Science and Technology from the Ministry of Education,		
	•	Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan received jointly		
		with the Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology		
		(AIST) for the development of mass production technology for		
		carbon nanotubes.		
	Dec.	Construction completed of mass production facility for high-performance		
		thermal interface material that combines CNT with rubber.		
2017	Feb.	CNT composite material research center established with Institute of		
		Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST) and others.		
	Mar.	25 Elastomers Co., Ltd., a joint venture with Sumitomo Chemical		
		Co., Ltd., begins operations.		
	way	Received Outstanding Technology Award from the Society of Polymer		
	Aug	Opened Asia Tachnical Support Laboratory in Singapore		
	Aug. Son	Completed construction of a hydrogenation facility for the		
	Sep.	petroleum regin manufacturing plant at Mizushima		
	Oct	Established Zeon Specialty Materials Inc. in California U.S.A. as a		
	000	local sales subsidiary for specialty materials and began operations		
2018	Jun.	Established Zeon Taiwan Co. I to for trading electronic materials		
20.0	Sep.	Established Zeon Chemicals Asia Co., Ltd. for manufactore and sell of		
		Acric Rubber.		



Proudly presenting unique technologies and products to the world by comprehensively utilizing C₄ and C₅ fractions in a domain that gives Zeon the competitive edge

Zeon presents its overwhelming, world-class capabilities in many fields, such as oil resistant special synthetic rubbers. Although businesses such as the rubber, latex, and chemicals businesses are all niche ventures, these are the fields in which Zeon can fully demonstrate its core competency while aiming to be the best. Zeon's business policy is to improve these already strong fields further, and thereby become a valuable company to society.

Business Segments



*1 GPB : Zeon's original extraction technology for butadiene

*2 GPI : Zeon's original extraction technology for isoprene

Deploying multiple core technologies that continuously generate unique products based on an unshakable foundation of business creation geared to the future

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Zeon's technologies and products contain significant future business potential, supported by core technologies such as elastomer or polymer particle design that focus on the basics. Zeon will continue to create new businesses that will play central roles for the next generation, as fields that able to meet the future needs.

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Core Technologies and Products

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Large variety of fields encompassing business domains that serve as the foundations of daily life and industry.

Zeon's business segments can be broadly categorized into two groups. In the Elastomer Business, we are pursuing the basic strategy of meeting the global needs of promising markets and further boosting an already competitive business with a proven track record. In the Specialty Materials Business, we are forging ahead with R&D in key areas with the aim of expanding applications into new business domains.

Elastomer Business					
Synthetic Rubber	Solution-polymerized Styrene Butan Nipol® NS Series (oil extended and non Emulsion-polymerized Styrene Buta Nipol® NS Series (oil extended and non	diene Rubber (S-SBR) -oil extended) adiene Rubber (E-SBR) -oil extended)	Butadiene Rubber (BR) Nipol® BR Series Isoprene Rubber (IR) Nipol® IR Series	Acrylonitrile Butadiene Copolymer Nipol® NBR Series (very high nitrile, high nitrile and middle nitrile) Liquid nitrile elastomers, powder NBR,	
Synthetic Latex Styrene-butadiene copolymer (SB) latex			idiene copolymer latex	Acrylonitrile butadiene copolymer	
Chemicals	Aliphatic Hydrocarbon ResinAlicyQuintone®100Quin	rclic Hydrocarbon Resin tone®1000	Styrene Isoprene Block Quintac®	Polymer	
Specialty Materials Bus	iness				
Specialty Plastics	Resins and Optical and Medical Ap	plications Engin	oreering Plastics		
Specialty Components	Plastic Molding Products Molded products based on ZEONEX®	Optical Film ZeonorFilm®			
Electronic Materials	Coating Insulation Material for Displa ZEOCOAT®	ys Lift-off Resist for Electron ZPN series	onic Components Manufacturi	High Performance Positive EB	
Energy Materials	Energy Materials Specialty Materials for Lithium Ion Batteries Cathode binders, anode binders, binders for functional layers, sealants				
Chemicals	Synthetic Aromatic Chemicals Green notes, jasmine notes, lactone no Specialty Solvents, Cleaning Solver Urethane Blowing Agent Cyclopentanone, cyclopentyl methyl eth ZEORORA®-H, Zeonsolve® HP (Cyclope	tes, other notes Hydrocan Alcohol tt, Ketones, Heterocy her (CPME), Fluoride a other Other	y Chemicals (Pharmaceuti bons halogenated compounds clic compounds compounds	cal and Agrochemical Intermediates,	
Medical Devices	Cardiovascular Fields ABP driving console FFR devices for blood vessel treatment	Gastroenterology Field Balloon catheter for biliar Biliary stent with thinner of	Is y calculus extraction catheter, crusher catheter		
Polymerized Toners	Polymerized toner ZEOGLOBULE®				







IPC's lobby



The Elastomer Business provides Zeon with a robust backbone.

Synthetic Rubbers





Rubber parts for automobiles



Specialty synthetic rubber used in automobile engines

Continuing to deliver new products for the automobile industry from its global production and supply base

Zeon's history of producing synthetic rubbers is synonymous with the journey of synthetic rubber production in Japan. We were the nation's first to manufacture synthetic rubbers more than half a century ago. Our Zetpol®, the worlds first hydrogenerated nitrile rubber is used in wide-ranging applications as the material for automotive timing belts and hydraulic equipment. Our S-SBR for fuel-efficient tires have attracted significant attention for contributing to the reduction of fuel consumption, leading Zeon to build a new plant in Singapore in addition to its Tokuyama Plant in order to keep pace with vigorous demand. Now, our annual production capacity at the two S-SBR production bases exceeds 100,000 tons.

Zeon's proven production innovation system supports to ensure stable and safe production. Also, we are actively promoting R&D for next-generation elastomers, such as biohydrin rubber, as an automotive material with less environmental impact. Applying its strength in specialty synthetic rubbers, Zeon seeks to transform itself into a global leader in synthetic rubbers, which continue to be the powerful foundation of Zeon's business.



Synthetic rubber

Synthetic Latexes

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Supporting your everyday life and industry with wide variety of applications

Applications for synthetic latexes are rapidly expanding, especially for latex for gloves, which has shown solid growth at an annual rate of 5% to 7%. This has led to steady growth for Zeon's NBR latex. Our latexes are also being widely used for such applications as paper coatings (including the impregnation), ABS resin modifier, fibers or non-woven fabrics, an adhesive for tire cords, and cosmetic puffs.



Latex



NBR latex gloves

Chemicals







Diapers with Quintac®

Adhesive tapes with Quintone® and Quintac®

Generating innovative products by comprehensively utilizing C5 fractions

The GPI Method is the pillar of Zeon's unique technology. Our Mizushima Plant is the world's only facility that comprehensively utilizes C₅ fractions, and Zeon's Chemicals Business comprises products made at this plant. We are targeting Quintone®, a petroleum resin used in adhesives and traffic paints, and Quintac® thermoplastic elastomer SIS into the world's top product in this field. Our newly developed *asymmetric SIS* is expected to provide new value to cutomers and new applications such as elastic films for paper diapers.



Quintone®



Significant added value to materials and components through Zeon's polymer design and processing technologies

Specialty Plastics





Lenses and prisms for cameras and optical equipment using ZEONEX®





Syringe

Smartphone (lens, film)

ZEONEX[®] and ZEONOR[®], developed by our unique C⁵ technologies, generate highvalue-added products that are key to Zeon's future.

A quarter of a century since the full-scale launch of Zeon's specialty plastics business in 1990, ZEONEX® has emerged as the top brand in optical resins, in reputation and reality. In addition to utilizing its optical characteristics in applications such as lenses and prisms, other characteristics such as its high purity, low moisture absorption, and low adsorption are now being used in a widening range of applications, including medical products such as syringes and vials.

ZEONOR[®] enriches daily life in the shape of optical film.

ZEONOR[®] is marketed not only as a resin but also as the optical film ZeonorFilm[®]. Created using Zeon's unique technology, ZeonorFilm[®] is used in various display devices, from large-screen LCD TVs to tablets and smartphones. Zeon upholds a consistent design concept from polymer design to processed products and maintains its advanced technological capabilities ensuring a direct link between its laboratories and production plants to continue generating products that will meet the needs of display devices for the next generation.





ZeonorFilm®

Energy Materials

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Enhancing the product lineup in the high-growth battery market.

Lithium Ion batteries (LIB) for mobile devices, represented by smartphones, continue to show significant market growth. Zeon boasts the highest performance and safety for its binders and is considered to have the top

share in the global market for anode binders. Together with our product lineup of binders for cathode and for functional layers, the Energy Materials Business supports the growing LIB market also in the automobile industry.

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Lithium battery

Chemicals



Generated from C₅ fractions, Zeon offers a broad range of chemicals contribute to everyday life for many people.

Synthetic aromatic chemicals that enrich daily life constitute the pillar of our Chemicals Business. They play a particularly essential role in food products and cosmetics. This segment also offers the variety of products all from the comprehensive use of C₅ fractions, such as industrial chemicals, pharmaceutical and agrochemical intermediates, and cleaning solvents. Our cleaning solvent ZEORORA®-H has particularly won awards of ozone layer protection as an alternative to chlorofluorocarbon.



Major synthetic aroma chemicals with jasmine notes used to produce shampoo, conditioner, and soap.

Medical Devices



Zeon's medical division supports healthcare through combined efforts in manufacturing, sales, and technology.

Zeon's medical division has sought to expand businesses centered on the gastroentrology and cardiovascular fields. Products for digestive system include stone-flushing offset balloon catheter, crusher catheter, and biliary stents with thinner catheter. Cardiovascular products include the IABP driving console and FFR devices for blood vessel treatment, which is a new product. We plan to increase our share of the promising FFR market with these optical sensor-based FFR devices.

Our production plant and laboratory for medical devices are at the same location, enabling us to rapidly develop new products by anticipating user needs.



Balloon catheter

Polymerized Toners



ZEOGLOBULE®



(Ref. Pulverized toner)

Spherical toner for printers from Zeon's advanced polymer design technology and fine particle control technology

Zeon was first in the world to achieve industrial-scale production of polymerized toners based on its advanced polymer design technology and fine particle control technology cultivated through its experience in synthetic rubber and latex. ZEOGLOBULE® is a groundbreaking toner featuring uniform spherical forms that contributes not only to ensuring higher image quality but also to energy conserving printing due to its low temperature fixing.

Electronic Materials Business



Supporting the semiconductor industry with our synthesis technology

Zeon provides insulating materials, etching gas, and resists that are primarily used to manufacture semiconductors as cutting-edge materials that contribute also to IoT. Other Businesses

Various businesses conducted by Zeon Group companies

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CNT Business





In 2015 the world's first mass production facility for super-growth carbon nanotubes was completed at our Tokuyama Plant. Following the NEDO project and joint research with Japan's National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, the leading next-generation materials have finally emerged. With many excellent properties, CNT is being combined with rubber and resin to produce novel materials in our businesses. Promising new applications include highly heat-resistant rubber and super thermal conductive composite materials. We received the fiscal

2016 prizes for science and technology from Japan's Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology for the mass production of CNT.



Image of the carbon nanotube structure

RIM Business



Formation liquids based on our dicyclopentadiene for reaction injection molding (RIM).

Dicyclopentadiene extracted from C₅ fractions are used as the main ingredient for fromation liquid for thermosetting resins that are molded using the RIM process. The molded products have many advantages in physical properties and in easier process. That is ideally suited for the large-scale molding of products such as combined septic tanks for homes, prefabricated bath units, flooring material for bathrooms, and truck bumpers.

Other Businesses

Paints Business

Zeon acquired a paint manufacturer Tohpe Corporation in 2013 to develop and sell paints that optimally meet user needs.

Building Materials Business

Zeon Kasei manufactures and sells various building materials including sound insulatior and siding materials.





R&D Center Building No. 8

The R&D Center is composed of the laboratory at the Kawasaki site as well as the laboratories at our Takaoka, Mizushima, and Tokuyama plants. It is also part of an international network of Group companies that includes Zeon Chemicals L.P. in the United States and our laboratory in Vietnam. Also, we are actively engaged with research institutions and academic conferences centered on joint research among industry, government, and academia to develop exchanges among researchers and establish a bridgehead for constructing a new business strategy for the next generation.

The series of new products and technologies generated by this R&D system have successfully reached the markets, attracting significant attention across the industry. We have created new materials from the diverse technologies developed for each business domain based on our monomer extraction and synthesis technologies as well as elemented technologies such as polymerization, hydrogenation, and impurity reduction technologies. We will enhance the comprehensive R&D capabilities of the Zeon Group and continue to advance toward creating even greater innovations.











Production Technology Laboratory

Research & Development Center







Delivering consistent quality and reliability to the world, grounded in our production innovation methodology

Takaoka Plant



Tokuyama Plant

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Location



Synthetic rubbers, thermoplastic elastomers, petroleum resin, cyclo olefin polymers, synthetic aromatic chemicals, butadiene (monomer), isoprene (monomer)

Kawasaki Plant



Location

Site area

Kawasaki Plant

1-2-1 Yako, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan 75,511 m² Start of operations July 1959

Major products Synthetic rubbers, synthetic latexes



R&D Center



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Takaoka Plant (Takaoka City, Toyama Prefecture)

The plant began as a mass production factory for vinyl chloride resin and played an important role in meeting expanding demand. It subsequently withdrew from the production of vinyl chloride resin in response to the evolving business environment and now manufactures high added-value products such as hydrogenated nitrile rubber and electronics materials. The plant also maintains manufacturing facilities for optical film and medical devices and continues to operate as a cutting-edge factory for our Specialty Materials Business.



Kawasaki Plant (Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture) R&D Center (Kawasaki City, Kanagawa Prefecture)

The Kawasaki Plant was the first facility in Japan to mass produce synthetic rubbers. Over the fifty years since then, it has been manufacturing specialty synthetic rubber with excellent oil and heat resistance properties for automobile industies as well as synthetic latex for rubber gloves and cosmetic puffs. It is playing an important role as the main plant in the Tokyo metropolitan area that emphasizes the importance of environmental protection and safety. The R&D Center is located at the same site.



Tokuyama Plant (Shunan City, Yamaguchi Prefecture)

The Tokuyama Plant was established as the main factory of synthetic rubber utilizing butadiene monomers obtained by the GPB method. Facilities to handle specialty synthetic rubbers and synthetic latexes were subsequently established, and manufacturing of polymerized toners started in 1995. A large part of the manufactured synthetic rubber is exported to Europe, the United States, and Asian countries. As the core factory of Zeon Corporation's material business. Moreover, the world's first mass production facility for single-walled carbon nanotubes was completed within this facility, raising expectations for the mass production of next-generation materials.



Mizushima Plant (Kurashiki City, Okayama Prefecture)

This facility was created in the Mizushima Waterfront Industrial Complex in Kurashiki-shi as a production base of general-purpose vinyl chloride resin. Then the plant has added a butadiene monomer extraction plant and isoprene monomer extraction plant. Due to the successful development of the GPI method, the plant is now expanding and developing as an unrivaled production site for the C₅ business. We have implemented a production innovation system based on the Daicel way in this plant. Its Integrated Production Center (IPC) has been recognized as an ingenious method in the Japanese chemicals industry and has welcomed many visitors.



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