



# Sustainability Meeting





# Based on our corporate philosophy, we will sustainably enhance corporate value through our business activities.

### Corporate Philosophy "Jun-Ri-Soku-Yu" (Adhering to reason leads to prosperity) Corporate value = economic value (earning power) × social value (trust)

- Thing that should be done =

Continue to create the solutions needed by people and the earth

- Trust of society is the basic premise for corporate activities



I. Sustainable Vision 2030

- **II. Environment**
- **III. Innovation**
- **IV. Human Capital and Human Rights**
- V. Safety and Disaster Prevention, Quality
- **VI. Governance**



### I. Sustainable Vision 2030



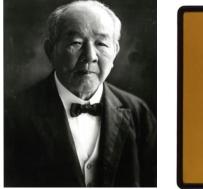
## Corporate Philosophy Framework "TOYOBO PVVs" TOYOBO

#### The TOYOBO Group philosophy **"Jun-Ri-Soku-Yu"**

was a personal maxim of our founder Eiichi Shibusawa, an industrialist who contributed greatly to Japan's modernization. It has been the foundation of Toyobo Group's business ever since.

# Corporate Philosophy Framework TOYOBO PVVs

We systematized "Jun-Ri-Soku-Yu" in 2019.



Founder Eiichi Shibusawa



Handed down from our founder, Eiichi Shibusawa

Principle"Jun-Ri-Soku-Yu"<br/>Adhering to reason leads to prosperityVisionWe will continue to create the solutions needed by<br/>people and the earth with our materials and science.ValuesWe welcome change, enjoy change, and<br/>create change.<br/>TOYOBO Spirit : Challenge, Reliability, Collaboration

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#### "Jun-Ri-Soku-Yu", or adhering to reason leads to prosperity

ldeals we seek to realize	<b>Innovation</b> We will be a group that continues to create the solutions needed by people and the Earth with materials and science					and the Earth
Social change and trends in 2030	Standardization in dealing with safety, human rights and social justice issues	n Increased and div needs concerning medical care/health	access to	humance	raphic change, ntric innovation, ed urbanization I	Decarbonization, resources circulation, imited natural resources
		People			Pla	net
Social issues to be solved through	<u>ผู้ก็ผู้</u>				S.D	GD
commitment	Employees' well-being and human rights in the supply chain	Healthy lifestyle and health care	Smart commu comfortable		Decarbonized society and circular society	Good condition of water area, atmosphere and soil and biodiversity
Challenges toward	People First: C Employees' safety, pride and rewarding work	Contributing to the field of infectious diseases	Contributing to humancentric, dig	-	Helping achieve carbon neutrality	Bettering the environment through solutions
the future	Respecting human rights in the entire supply chain	Contributing to improving QOL	Creating comfortables		Establishing an ecosystem for circulating resources	or Food loss reduction and sustainable food
The state it wants to be in by 2030	"Spiraling up"		<b>Prosperi</b> ciety where pe ement of corr	eople c	an live with peace o <sup>.</sup> value	f mind and



## We will be a group that continues to create the solutions needed by people and the Earth with materials and science

- 1. Contributing to solving social issues through business operations
- 2. Sustainable growth (solid foundation and track for future growth)
- 3. People First (safe working environment where employees can work with peace of mind, pride and rewarding work, self-growth)

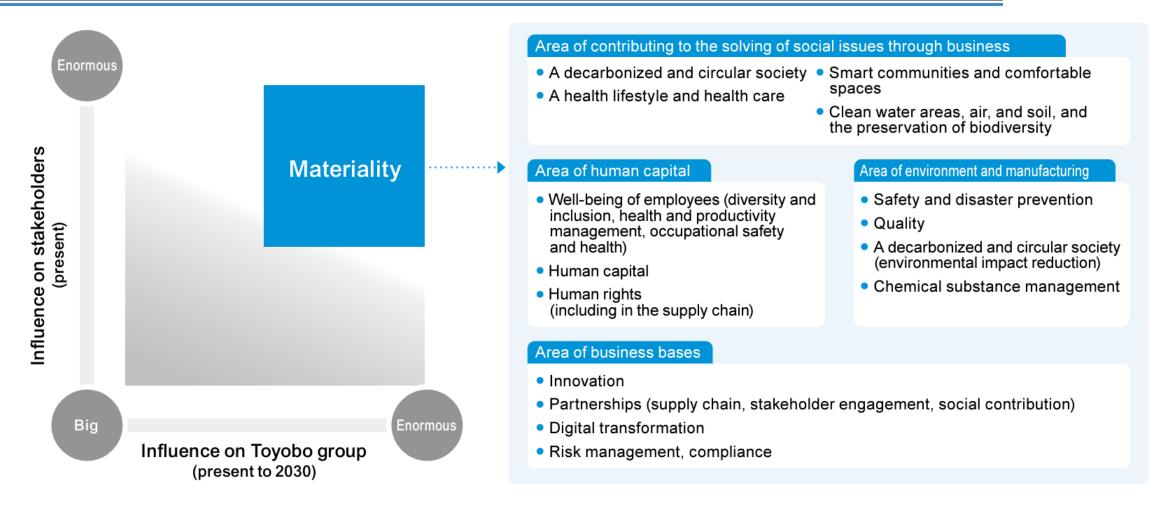
### **Sustainability indices**

#### **Financial indices**

Serious incidents	ZERO	Consolidated sales	600 billion yen
Employee engagement score	Over 70%	Operating profit margin	
GHG emissions cut (over FY 3/14) Carbon	Over <b>46%</b> neutrality in FY 3/51	ROE	Over 9%
Ratio of green materials in main business operation*	60%	ROIC	Over 7%

\*Assumed to be film business

### Materiality



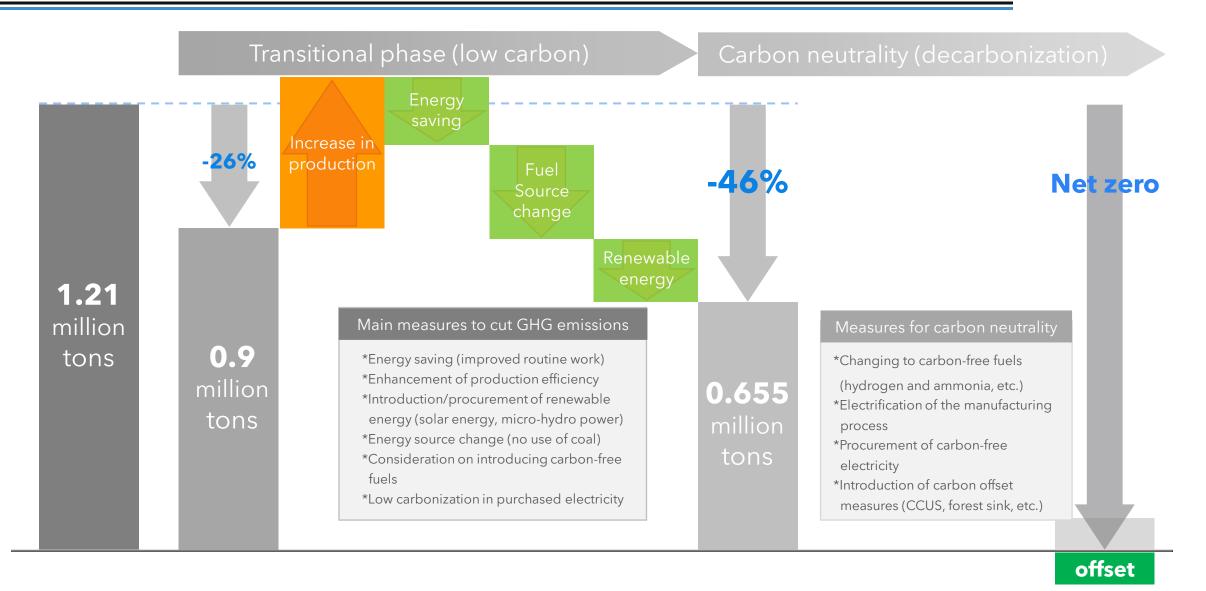
Today's explanation "Environment" "Innovation" "Human Capital and Human Rights" "Safety and Disaster Prevention, Quality" "Governance"



## **II. Environment**

- Initiatives to Reduce GHG Emissions
- Eco-Conscious Products

### GHG Emissions Reduction: Roadmap for Carbon Neutrality **TOYOBO**



FY 3/14 FY 3/21

FY 3/31

FY 3/51

### Initiatives to Reduce GHG Emissions

#### Initiatives

■ Fuel conversion (away from coal)

Renewing our in-house thermal power generation plant at the Iwakuni Production Center (construction completed in October 2023, CAPEX: approx. ¥9.0 bn.)

- Conversion from coal to liquefied natural gas and RPF\*
  - \*Solid fuel made mainly from used paper and waste plastic
- Expected to reduce GHG emissions of 80 thousand tonnes per year
- $\rightarrow$  Equivalent to approx. 40% of FY 3/14 emissions at the Iwakuni Production Center
- Introduction of renewable energy

Installation of solar power generation equipment at the Inuyama Plant (in operation since March 2023)

Newly constructed in-house thermal power generation plant at the Iwakuni Production Center

#### GHG emissions results (FY 3/23)

	GHG emissions	Reduction rate (compared to FY 3/14)		
	(thousand tonnes-CO <sub>2</sub> )	Results (FY 3/23)	Targets (FY 3/31)	
Scope1	712	26.4%	At least	
Scope2	182	20.4 /0	46%	
Scope3	5,290	_	_	

### Validated by **SBT Initiative**

(December 2022)

Toyobo group's targets of reducing GHG emissions by FY 3/31 have been validated by SBT Initiative





## Organizations dedicated to climate change issues

Participate in GX\* League by the Japanese government (Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry) (May 2023)

\*Green transformation

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## Our Group's Eco-Conscious Products



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#### Examples of eco-conscious products

Corresponding field/market	Examples of products
Climate change measures	<ul> <li>Film of recycled PET resin "RESHINE"</li> <li>Three-dimensional cushion material "BREATHAIR"</li> </ul>
Antipollution measures	<ul> <li>Photosensitive water-wash nylon resin relief printing plate "Printight"</li> <li>Solvent recovery equipment, equipped with "K-FILTER"</li> <li>Transparent vapor-deposited film "ECOSYAR"</li> </ul>
Solving water resource problems	- Reverse osmosis membranes for seawater desalination "HOLLOSEP"
Recycling systems (recycling and resource reduction)	<ul> <li>Modifier for recycled PET "VYLON" RF series</li> <li>Recycled nylon resin for airbag scraps</li> <li>"ECOKURELEAF"</li> <li>PET-based synthetic paper "Crisper"</li> <li>Spun yarn using unused cotton "ECOT"</li> <li>Recycled nonwoven fabrics "e-VOLANS"</li> </ul>
Other (environmentally friendly products)	- Ultra-high-strength polyethylene fiber "IZANAS"

#### Sales ratio held by eco-conscious products



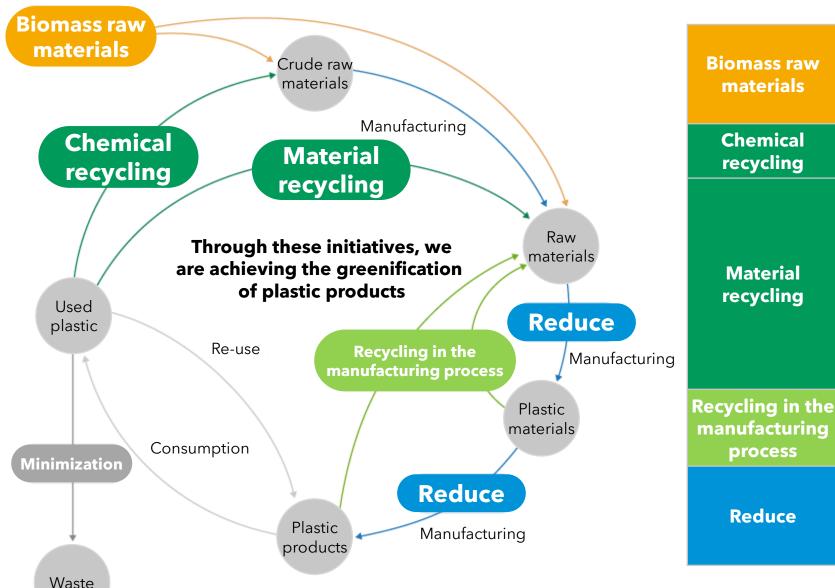
#### "ECO-PARTNER SYSTEM"

Our unique system to certify products that meet evaluation standards from five aspects as eco-conscious products (in operation since 1998)

Considering expanding the scope of application to include group companies

\* Preventing climate change, resource conservation, waste reduction, reduction of chemical substance use, biodiversity and other

### Films Products related to Resource Circulation



**Plant-derived raw materials** ● "BIOPRANA" 100% biomass resin • PEF (Polyethylene furanoate) Chemical recycling to crude raw materials • R Plus Japan, Ltd. Use of recycled resin ● "CYCLE CLEAN" "SPACECLEAN" "Crisper" "KAMISHINE" "RESHINE" Enabling recycling through use of mono-material ● "PYLEN EXTOP" "ECOSYAR" **Resistant to thermal degradation even** after repeated recycling • "TOYOBO GS Catalyst" ● "KAMISHINE NEO" • Recycling of mold releasing film for MLCC **Volume reduction, thickness reduction** 

● "SPACECLEAN" "PYLEN EXTOP"

**Food loss reduction** 

● "ECOSYAR"

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### **Resource Circulation for Film**

### ■ The target greening rate of 60% in FY 3/31 and 100% in FY 3/51

(Biomass, Recycling, Volume reduction)

Examples of products

#### Ultra-highly rigid polypropylene film **"PYLEN EXTOP"**

Rigidity approximately 1.7 times that of general biaxially oriented polypropylene films 20% thickness reduction and mono-materialization are possible.

### **PEF (Polyethylene furanoate)**

100% **biomass** plastic

Better barrier properties than polyester films

⇒ Extension of expiration dates of contents and reduction of food loss

#### **"KAMISHINE NEO"**

Development of a film-type release paper for labels Turning the release paper (label backing paper) into a film makes it **recyclable** Participation in Resource Recycling Project

Net sales targets for films business (¥bn.) 250.0 **Greening ratio** 200.0 increase 150.0 100.0 50.0 0.0 FY 3/23 FY 3/31 Green film Except green film



Biomass

Material recycling

Reduce

## (Reference) Initiatives for Material Recycling

## **"KAMISHINE NEO"**

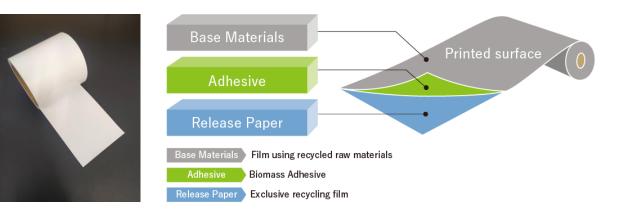
- Polyester-based synthetic papers made from recycled plastic bottles Development of "KAMISHINE" into the **release paper** (label backing paper)
- Label backing paper after use or collection is used as part of the raw materials to enable recycling.

### Resource Recycling Project 🏹 資源循環プロジェクト

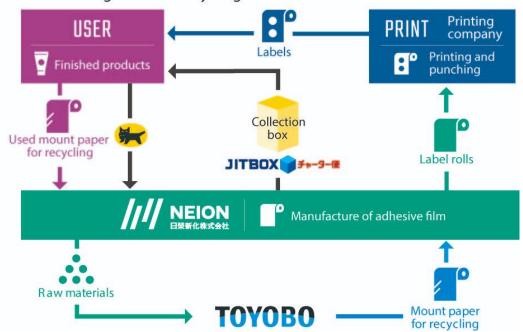


- Cooperate with NEION Film Coatings Corp., TOPPAN INFOMEDIA CO., LTD., Shionogi Pharma Co., Ltd. and MITSUI BUSSAN CHEMICALS CO., LTD.
- Horizontal recycling project for label backing paper utilizing **"KAMISHINE NEO"**
- Aiming for zero waste of label backing paper. Projected 12.4% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.
- Received the excellence award at the 6th **EcoPro Awards**





By establishing arterial industry functions and venous industry functions, we are achieving a circular recycling scheme.



## Water Treatment Solution

### **RO membranes** (RO : Reverse Osmosis)

- Cellulose triacetate (CTA) hollow fiber membranes
- Applications: seawater desalination
- 20% share in Middle East and Gulf countries
- ⇒ Produce 6.4 million people / day (1.6 million tones / day) water for domestic use

### FO membranes (FO : Forward Osmosis)

- Only our company for hollow fiber type
- Applications: seawater desalination, osmotic pressure power generation

#### Energy savings in seawater desalination process using FO membranes

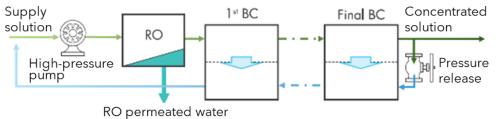
Using a solution with higher osmotic pressure than seawater requires high pressure Roughly 75% less energy is used compared to RO membranes

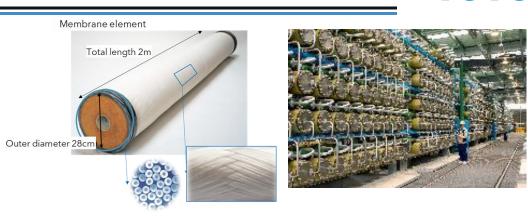
#### BC membranes (BC : Brine Concentration)

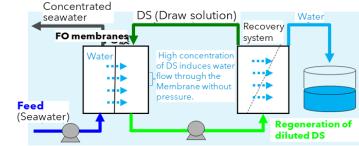
- Treating high-concentration salt water

Lower energy consumption compared to evaporation method, etc.

- Applications: salt making, wastewater treatment, recovery of valuable substances

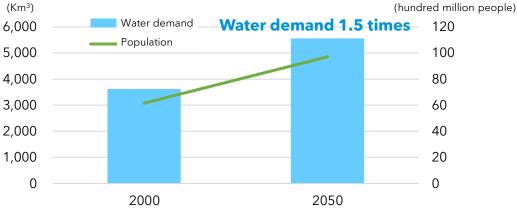






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#### World population and water demand forecasts



(Source) Created by the Company based on the following world population : United Nations "World Population Prospects 2022" water demand : OECD "Environmental Outlook to 2050 (2012)" 16

## Products related to EVs

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### **Engineering plastics**

- Components around batteries
- Insulation, sound absorption, and lighter weight mainly with fine foam formation
- High rigidity, high dissipation, and electromagnetic wave shielding materials



### "VYLOSHOT" Low-pressure sealing and molding resin

- Waterproof and protect electronic components (sensors, camera modules, etc.)
- Environmentally friendly solvent-free resin

#### "HARDLEN"

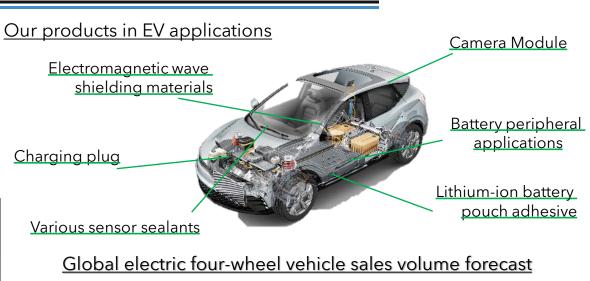
Polyolefin chlorinated or acid modified resin

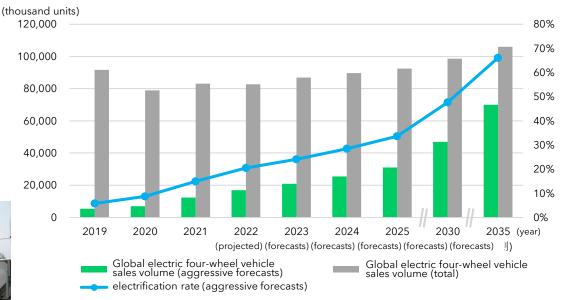
- Lithium-ion battery pouch adhesive etc.
- Laminate adhesive with superior chemical resistance
- Compatible with dry lamination (composition: PP film/HARDLEN/aluminum)

### **VOC\* recovery equipment**

\* VOC: volatile organic compounds

- Equipped with our unique activated carbon fiber adsorbent "K-FILTER"
- Absorb dichloromethane generated in the manufacturing process of lithium-ion battery separator





Source: Created by the Company based on Yano Research Institute's global electric four-wheel vehicle market research 2023 (April 28, 2023; global electric four-wheel vehicle sales volume and electrification rate based on the aggressive forecasts of Yano Research Institute Note 1: Figures for 2019-2021 (sales volume basis) are Yano Research Institute estimates based on the data of industry associations in each country Note 2: EVs include hybrids (HEVs), plugin hybrids (PHEVs), battery EVs (BEVs), and fuel cell EVs (FCEVs) and fuel cell EVs (FCEVs) and fuer for 2023 and benerad for a forecasts of the astronome for 2023 and benerad for a forecasts of the second formation o

Note 3: Figure for 2022 is projected; figures for 2023 and beyond are forecasts Note 4: Passenger vehicles are segments A to E; commercial vehicles are small commercial cars with a gross weight of no more than 3.5t; vehicles with a gross weight of 3.5t or more refer to trucks and buses

Note 5: Agreesive forecasts are calculated on the uptake of BEVs, irrespective of vehicle class, owing to the rollout of fast-charging infrastructure and the like

## **External Evaluation**

- CDP Supplier Engagement Ratings Selected as Supplier Engagement Leader (2021, 2022)
- Selected for the first time for inclusion on the list of Asia-Pacific Climate Leaders 2023 (July 2023)



- Selected as a constituent stock in all ESG indices of Japanese stocks adopted by GPIF
  - FTSE Blossom Japan Index FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index MSCI Japan ESG Select Leaders Index MSCI Japan Empowering Women Index (WIN) Morningstar Gender Diversity Index (GenDi) : First selection in 2023 S&P/JPX Carbon Efficient Index



FTSE Blossom FTS Japan Jap

FTSE Blossom Japan Sector Relative Index



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**2022** CONSTITUENT MSCI JAPAN ESG SELECT LEADERS INDEX

**2022** CONSTITUENT MSCI JAPAN EMPOWERING WOMEN INDEX (WIN)

- A forest owned by the Toyobo Group "Toyobo Aya-no-Mori" has been certified as a site for coexistence with nature by the Ministry of the Environment (October 2023)
- One of our group-owned forests "Toyobo Aya-no-Mori" Started holding in 1971, 140 hectares
- Evaluated as an area where biodiversity is being conserved, to be registered in the international database as OECM\*



"Toyobo Aya-no-Mori" forest (Aya Town, Higashimorogata-gun, Miyazaki Prefecture)





### **III.** Innovation

- System for Innovation Creation
- Challenge for New Domains by Integrating Core Technologies
- New Technologies and Products in New Domains

## Structures for Innovation Creation

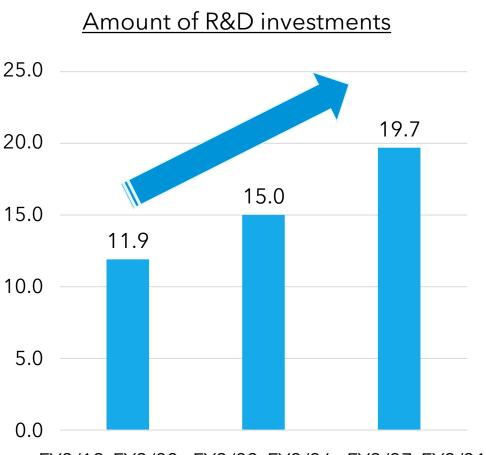


Company-wide innovation system through collaboration between corporate research and divisional development



#### Examples of open innovation

- Use of fermentation process technology to improve productivity in biotechnology businesses
- (Investment in U.S. biotech venture DMC Biotechnologies Inc.)
- Joint research in the environmental and life science fields (Comprehensive partnership agreement with Kobe University)

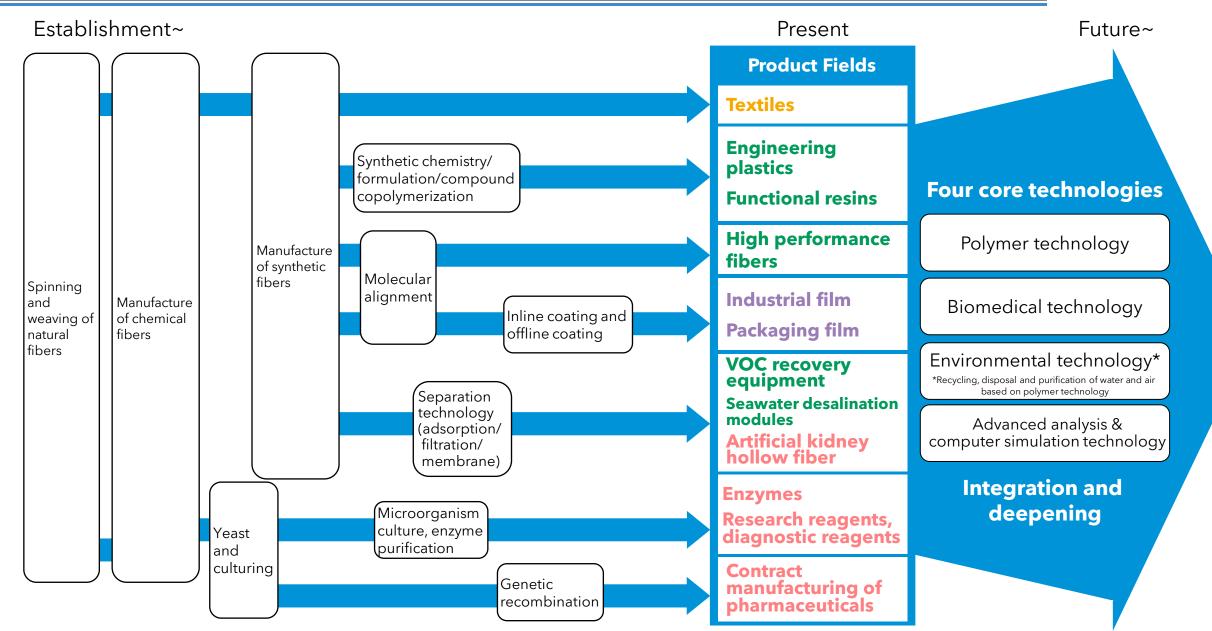


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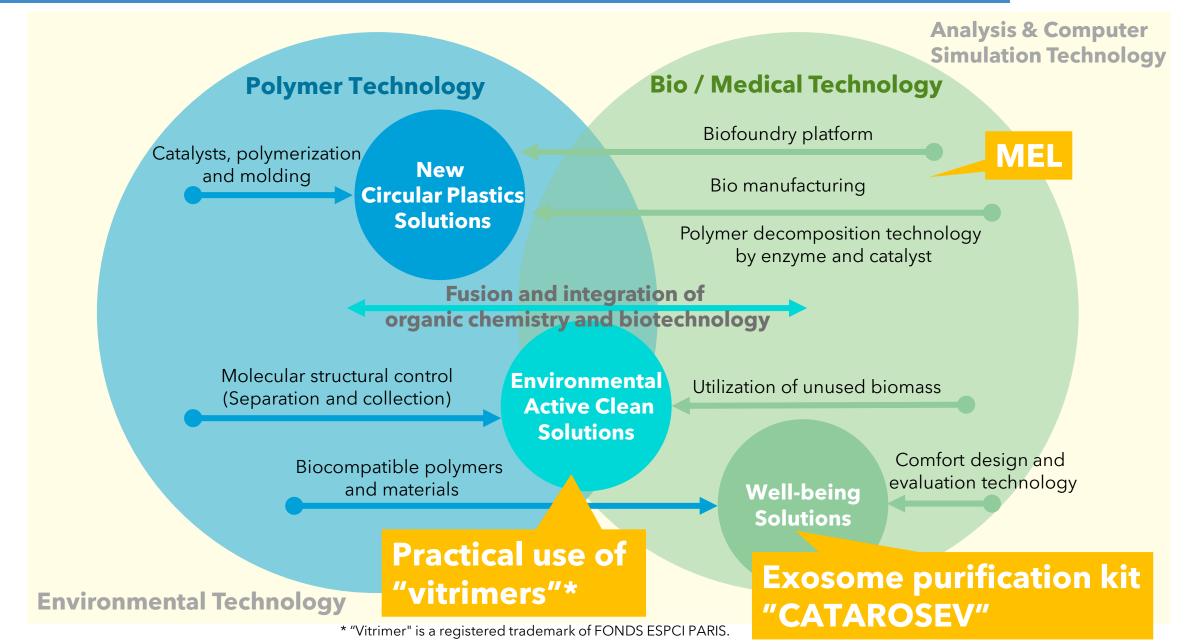
Annual amount of R&D investments (billions of yen/year) (including intellectual property-related expenses)

### Overview of our Group's Technology





### Challenge for New Domains by Integrating Core Technologies **TOYOBO**



### **Practical use of "vitrimers"\***

Polymer technology × Environmental technology

\* "Vitrimer" is a registered trademark of FONDS ESPCI PARIS.

About "vitrimers"

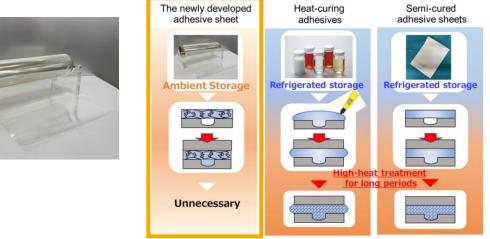
- Highly functional polymer with reforming, self-adhesive and self-healing
- Robust and solid at room temperature → low deformation even when force is applied, chemical resistant, stable shape for a long period of time
- Deformation under heat and pressure → processing, adhesion (thermal pressure bonding between base materials)

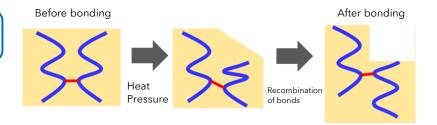
#### Application to adhesive sheets for electronic materials

- **Eco-friendly, solvent-free** and high-heat-resistant adhesive sheet which **can be distributed at ambient temperatures.**
- Because they do not require thermal cross-linking treatment, the manufacturing process can be shortened and energy can be saved.
- Adhesive applications for electronic components on flexible printed circuit boards, etc.
- Samples to be provided around the first half of 2024
- Further development

Expansion into decorative film applications, solar cell applications, automotive applications, etc.

	Newly developed adhesive sheet	Heat-curing adhesives	Semi-cured adhesive sheets
Туре	Solvent-free	Solvent	Solvent-free
Storage/transportation	Ambient temperatures	Refrigerated	Refrigerated
Thermal cross-linking	Unnecessary	Necessary	Necessary
Resin dripping/protrusion	No	Yes	Almost none





Mechanisms of "vitrimers"

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### New Technologies and Products in New Domains (2)

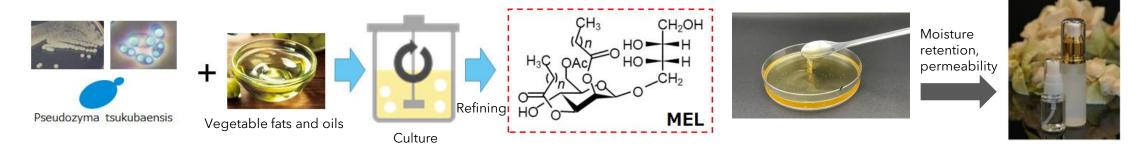


### **MEL** (mannosylerythritol lipid)

#### **Biomanufacturing**

\* Surfactants of natural origin produced by microorganisms

- A type of biosurfactant\* produced by yeast
- Adopted as a cosmetic material for skincare products by major cosmetics manufacturers, etc.



#### Selected for NEDO "Research and Development of Technologies to Promote Biomanufacturing"

Significant cost reductions (Development of high-producing bacteria, continuous culture production and scale up, technology of separation, refining and processing) Effective use of unused resources and reduction of environmental burden (Development of technology to switch raw materials from vegetable fats to waste cooking oil)

Expansion of MEL application fields  $\succ$ 

Agricultural spreading agent (reduction of chemical pesticide use) Blending agents for feed (reduction of methane gas emissions from cow burps) Coating agent for sanitary materials



### New Technologies and Products in New Domains (3)

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## **Exosome purification kit "CATAROSEV"**

#### About exosomes

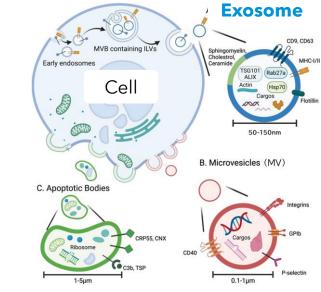
- Fine particles measuring 50 to 150 nanometers that are secreted from cells
- Carrying RNA, proteins, and other bioactive related substances
- $\rightarrow$  An important role in intercellular communication
- $\rightarrow$  Involved in disease onset/suppression, aging, homeostasis, etc.

Increasing attention has been paid to exosomes as a next-generation therapeutic approach that can be applied to a wide range of fields, including regenerative medicine and the diagnosis and treatment of diseases such as cancer

#### **Development of "CATAROSEV"**

Purification kit to recover exosomes with high efficiency, purity and yield

Biomedical technology × Environmental technology



Source: Partially modified based on https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/advs.202103222

	New technology method "CATAROSEV"	Ultracentrifugation method	Magnetic beads method
Method	Recovery using size and charge of exosomes	Recovery of exosomes sedimented and separated by centrifugal force	Recovery of exosomes using magnetic beads conjugated with antibodies, etc.
Purity	****	★★☆☆	★★★☆
Yield	***	★★☆	★ ☆ ☆
Time	$\sim$ 30 minutes	Several hours $\sim$ several days	$\sim$ Several hours





### **IV. Human Capital and Human Rights**



### Each individual can work with a sense of growth, pride, and satisfaction.

#### Human resource management

New human resource system (from July 2022)

Promoting and supporting capacity building, treating and evaluating in accordance with job responsibilities, enhancing management skills, and encouraging the active participation of diverse professional human resources

#### Nurturing the next generation of management

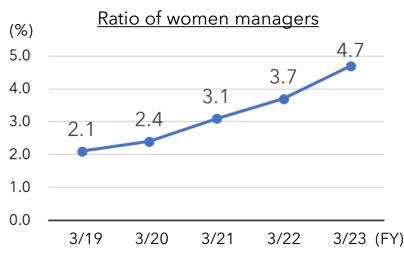
Policy support for the development of successor candidates as well as selection and rotation of human resources through Human Resources Conference

- Company-Wide Human Resources Conference : Discussion of successors for management posts

- Departmental Human Resources Conference : Discussion of successors for highly specialized positions

#### Promotion of diversity

Initiatives	Results (FY 3/23)	Targets (FY 3/26)
Ratio of women in managerial positions	4.7 %	5.0 % or above
Ratio of women in career track positions	18 %	22 % or above
Ratio of men employees taking childcare leave Average number of days	104.3 % 14.8 days	Over 80 % 14 or more days (20% increase from FY3/21)



#### Main measures implemented

- Women leader development seminars (cumulative number of participants: 189)
- Maintain women's share of new graduate recruitment at a level of at least 40%
- Notification to men employees taking paternity leave and their superiors, and interviews before and after the leave
- Babysitter support system, establishment of a nursery within the company



### Human Capital

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#### Onsite leader development

Improvement of an engineer education system and training program (Onsite leader training attendees: 129)

- **KAERU** Connecting awareness from dialogue to change -
- Workshops to instill "TOYOBO PVVs"
- T-UP (boosting team capabilities through TOYOBO TALK, our in-house term for organizational development)
- Casual discussions on serious issues

(dialogue between president and employees: 46 times, 257 employees)

#### Employee engagement

Launched a survey on organizational climate and job satisfaction, targeting all officers and employees in 2021

	Results (FY 3/23)	Targets (FY 3/26)
Employee engagement score	55 %	Over 70 %

#### External evaluation

- Eruboshi (second level) (December 2021)
- Platinum Kurumin certification (July 2023)
- First Certified as a top tier company for Outstanding Health and Productivity Management (March 2023)



Dialogue between president and employees



Executive officers' workshop





# Respect basic human rights of all stakeholders, including officers and employees, in accordance with TOYOBO Group Human Rights Policy

#### **Survey on human rights of our group** (non-consolidated in FY 3/23)

- At our domestic (non-consolidated) business sites, we conducted a survey addressing matters including child labor, employment equality, and occupational safety and health.
- $\rightarrow$ We confirmed the absence of any violations of human rights laws and ordinances.
- For technical intern trainees from overseas, we surveyed implementation and management of technical internships and compliance with labor-related laws and ordinances.
  - $\rightarrow$ We confirmed implementation and compliance in all cases.

### Human rights-related education and training

- Education and awareness-raising concerning the human rights of foreign workers (from FY 3/20)
- Training, lectures, etc. on human rights in each business site
- Video distribution to all officers and employees
- Compliance study sessions for managers



## Respect for Human Rights : Supply Chain

# Respect basic human rights of all stakeholders, including officers and employees, in accordance with TOYOBO Group Human Rights Policy

### ■ CSR procurement survey

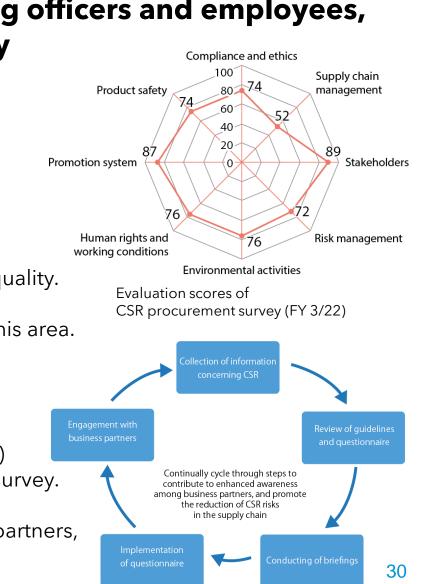
For risk assessment, we conduct questionnaire surveys every other year aimed at major business partners worldwide, based on our CSR Procurement Guidelines.

#### Results (FY 3/22)

- Return rate for tier-one suppliers was 93% (172 out of 185 companies). No compliance violations relating to matters such as the environment or product quality. With regard to supply chain management, an area where evaluation performance tended to be quite low overall, we asked each company to promote measures in this area.
- Secondary suppliers (115 suppliers) were also surveyed. No suppliers were identified as being at high risk.

### Survey underway (FY 3/24)

- Expansion of target suppliers to group companies (approximately 500 companies) Attach a movie of Toyobo group CSR procurement briefing when requesting the survey.
- Questionnaires are currently being collected. Analyze and evaluate (by the end of the fiscal year), select engagement business partners, and engage in dialogue



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## V. Safety and Disaster Prevention, Quality



### Our safety declaration

### "We will thoroughly implement 'putting safety first,' and we will emphasize labor safety, environmental safety, product safety, and equipment safety."

### Our slogan "Protect yourself, protect your colleagues, and speak up when noticing something."

- Fostering a culture of safety
- Workshops for specific position levels : expansion from executive management to business unit management
- Utilization of a safety awareness survey : expand opportunities for participation in safety activities and continue safety dialogue
- Fortifying safety infrastructure
- On-site safety inspections : capital investment measures have been completed, and soft measures are being enhanced.
- Safety and disaster prevention training centers: Iwakuni Production Center (2021), Inuyama Plant (2023)
- Acquisition of occupational safety and health management system certification (ISO45001)
- Utsunomiya Plant, Iwakuni Production Center, Tsuruga Research and Production Center

Safety and disaster prevention training centers

**Promote activities** 

according to the roadmap

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Iwakuni Production Center



Inuyama Plant

## Safety, Disaster Prevention : Roadmap



	FY 3/24	FY 3/25	FY 3/26	FY 3/27	FY 3/28 onward
Priority issues for the year	<ul> <li>Establish on-site dialogue</li> <li>Establish safety and disaster prevention workshops</li> <li>Follow-up on safety awareness survey (1st)</li> <li>Dependent stage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Check the work certification system</li> <li>On-site inspection (2nd stage)</li> <li>Continue disaster prevention inspections activities</li> <li>Expand to overseas sites (disaster prevention)</li> <li>Challenge to independent stage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue safety and disaster prevention workshops</li> <li>Continue on-site inspection</li> <li>Safety awareness survey (2nd)</li> <li>Expand to domestic group companies</li> <li>To independent stage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>On-site inspection (3rd stage)</li> <li>Follow-up on safety awareness survey (2nd)</li> <li>Follow-up on various inspection activities</li> <li>Challenge to interdependent stage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Establish company-wide system</li> <li>Safety awareness survey (3rd)</li> <li>Evaluation of various inspection activities</li> </ul>
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#### Strengthening the quality risk management system

Promote activities according to the roadmap

- "Three lines of defense" (business divisions / Quality Assurance Division / Internal Audit Department) : establishment of the multi-layered structure

#### The three lines model for quality control



#### Product safety and quality assurance training

- Quality assurance seminar, development of core human resources(Qace seminar\* ), case studies involving quality irregularities etc. \*Qace : Qa\_assurance, Qc\_control, Qe\_ensurance

#### Response to the quality-related misconduct incidents

- Engineering plastics : ISO9001 certification Working on reacquisition at the end of FY 3/24 UL certification\*\* Sequentially reacquired \*\*Underwriters Laboratories

- Contract manufacturing of pharmaceuticals : the Warning Letter was lifted by the FDA in July 2023

## Quality : Roadmap



	FY 3/22	FY 3/23	FY 3/24	FY 3/25	FY 3/26
Priority Issues	<b>Regain trust</b> Inspections to guarantee quality, build quality in the processes	Quality Assurance with everyone	Continued compliance with standards	<b>Unwavering trust</b> Instill the concept of quality assurance across the product lifecycle	
Emergency Measures	Respond to external certin Revise assessment processes Respond to customers	fications			
Corrective Measures	Create guidelines for quality DX		filiates and overseas offices online⇒ Accelerate conve		
Standardization	Diligent quality assurance	e management (actively app	: Three lines of defense syst bly ISO to operations) in and actively use specialis		
Changing Awareness	Corporate Philosophy: Re Change the organizationa culture and awareness Train QA personnel and fo	Instill QA as an activ	Soku-Yu, deeply instill "safe vity for everyone!	ety first"	

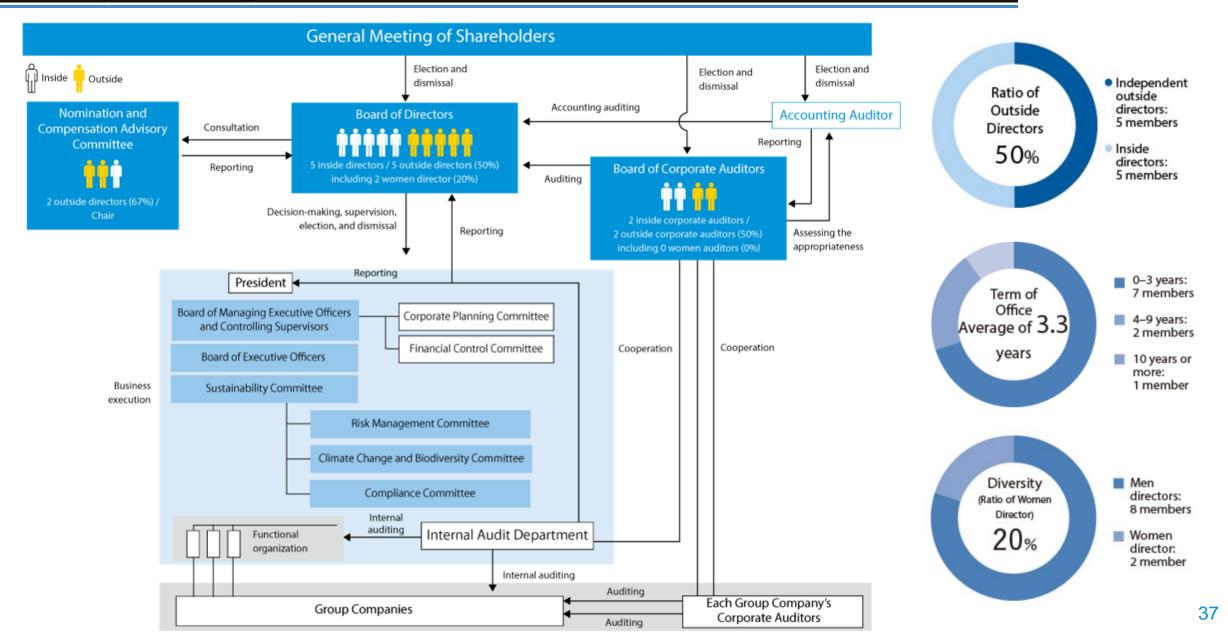


### **VI.** Governance

- Governance structure
- Evaluation of Effectiveness of the Board of Directors
- Expectations and Issues for TOYOBO Group

## Corporate governance structure (as of June 2023)

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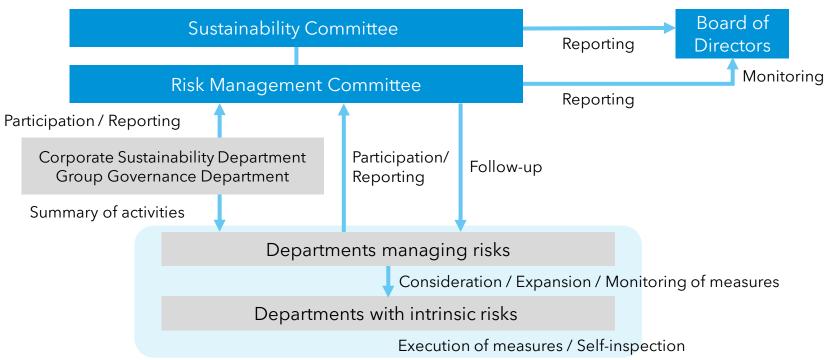


# Group Governance (Risk Management)

### Initiatives

- Assessment of company-wide risks (Identification and monitoring of serious risks)
- Resource allocation to minimize risks
- Deepening and upgrading our activities by continuing to run PDCA
- Deployment to group companies
- Follow-up by both departments managing risks (risk management and compliance functions) and departments with intrinsic risks (risk owners)

### Management structures and processes



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# Results of the Evaluation of Effectiveness of the Board of Directors, and Future Issues



[Process of evaluation of effectiveness]

Conducting a questionnaire targeting Aggregating by an external directors and corporate auditors service provider

Reporting results from the external service provider to the Board of Directors, which discusses improvement plans

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[Issues extracted during the previous survey, and improvement plans (March to April 2023)]

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Major issues	Major improvement plans	
<ul> <li>Risk management including of safety and disaster prevention, and QA</li> </ul>	- We will further enhance the risk management systems of our group as a whole, by means including supervision of the status of our initiatives for KPIs and materiality targets.	
- Revision of our business portfolio	<ul> <li>We will set this as a priority theme in our annual plans, and will take it up at the beginning and work to enhance discussions.</li> <li>We will engage in a review of our business portfolio, with group companies included.</li> </ul>	
- Strengthening of group governance	<ul> <li>We will receive reports on risk management at group companies and on other topics from the Corporate Business Management Department, and will engage appropriately.</li> <li>We will ensure the effectiveness of internal audit functions through means including audit plans from the Internal Audit Department and reports on their outcomes, and will work to strengthen group governance.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Initiatives for CEO succession planning and appointment procedures</li> </ul>	- We will further ensure transparency and fairness by means including activity reports from the Nomination and Compensation Advisory Committee.	
<ul> <li>Initiatives aimed at DX, human capital, environmental action, etc.</li> </ul>	- We will set this as a priority theme in our annual plans, and will take it up at the beginning and work to enhance discussions.	
Looking back annually (PDCA cycle) : The results of evaluation for FY3/24 are scheduled to be conducted in March 2024.		

This will include identification of residual issues.



### Outside Director **Hiroshi Fukushi**



April 1984	Joined Ajinomoto Co., Inc.	
June 2011	Executive Officer	
June 2013	3 Director & Managing Executive Officer	
	General Manager, Bio-Fine Business Division	
June 2019	Director, Vice President & Executive Officer	
	Chief Digital Officer	
June 2021	Director, Representative Director & Vice President	
June 2022	Special Advisor (to present)	
June 2022	Outside Director of the company (to present)	
June 2022	Outside Director, MEGMILK SNOW BRAND Co., Ltd. (to present)	

The Company elected Hiroshi Fukushi so that his extensive experience and wide-ranging knowledge as a manager and high level of expertise in the biotechnology field and digital field can be leveraged to provide advice and supervision to the Company's management.



## Revision of our business portfolio

- Evaluation and board discussion on reorganization of our business portfolio
- Advantages or areas to be improved in reorganization of our business portfolio

# Strengthening group governance

- Key points of corporate governance to focus on most in order to achieve sustainable growth.
- Contribution to governance as outside directors with various backgrounds

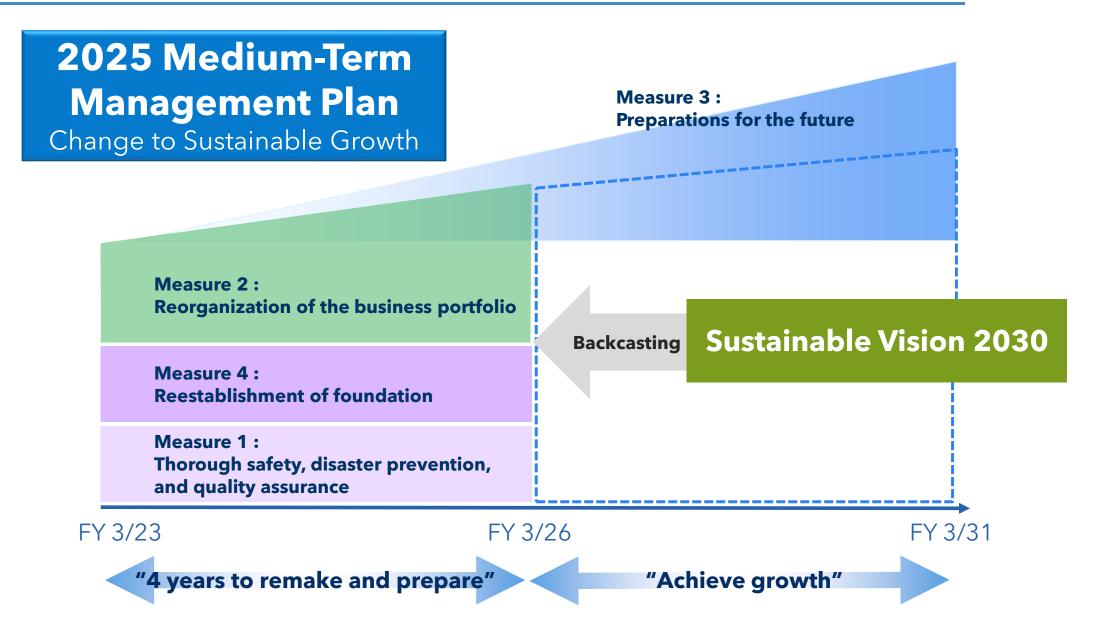


# Appendix



### 2025 Medium-Term Management Plan: Basic Policy and 4 Measures (Announced in May 2022)





### 2025 Medium-Term Management Plan: Four Measures (Announced in May 2022)

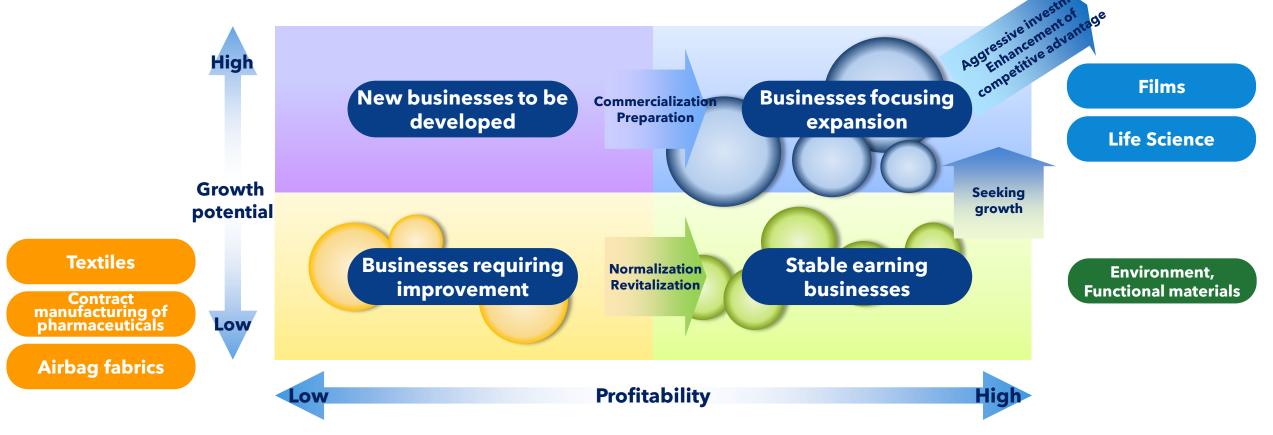


Measure 1	Thorough safety, disaster prevention, and quality assurance	<ul> <li>Execute a master plan for safety and disaster prevention "zero accidents"</li> <li>Reconstruct the quality assurance management structure</li> <li>Risk management structure</li> </ul>
Measure 2	Reorganization of the business portfolio	<ul> <li>Stratify businesses (return on capital employed and growth potential)</li> <li>(1) Focused expansion: proposal and implementation of growth measures, and enhancement of competitive advantage</li> <li>(2) Stable earning: seeking growth or maintenance and improvement</li> <li>(3) Requiring improvement: implementation of the master plan for what the business should be</li> </ul>
Measure 3	Preparations for the future	<ul> <li>Creation of new businesses and technologies: strengthening of environment and biotechnology related business, and Mirai Pro POC</li> <li>DX strategy : SFA, MI, Smart Factory, and new earning ways</li> <li>Roadmap for carbon neutrality (2050)</li> </ul>
Measure 4	Reestablishment of foundation	<ul> <li>Promote human resources development, diversity</li> <li>Workplace capabilities in manufacturing</li> <li>Development of the business base</li> <li>Governance / Compliance - Change of the organizational culture</li> </ul>

# 2025 Medium-Term Management Plan: Reorganization of the Business Portfolio (Announced in May 2022)

#### Assess and stratify each business into 4 quadrants with 2 axes: "Profitability" and "Growth potential"

- Profitability : Return on capital employed (ROCE) = Operating profit / Capital employed ※Target hurdle rate of 6.5%
- Growth potential : Compound annual growth rate (CAGR) \*Target hurdle rate of 4.5%

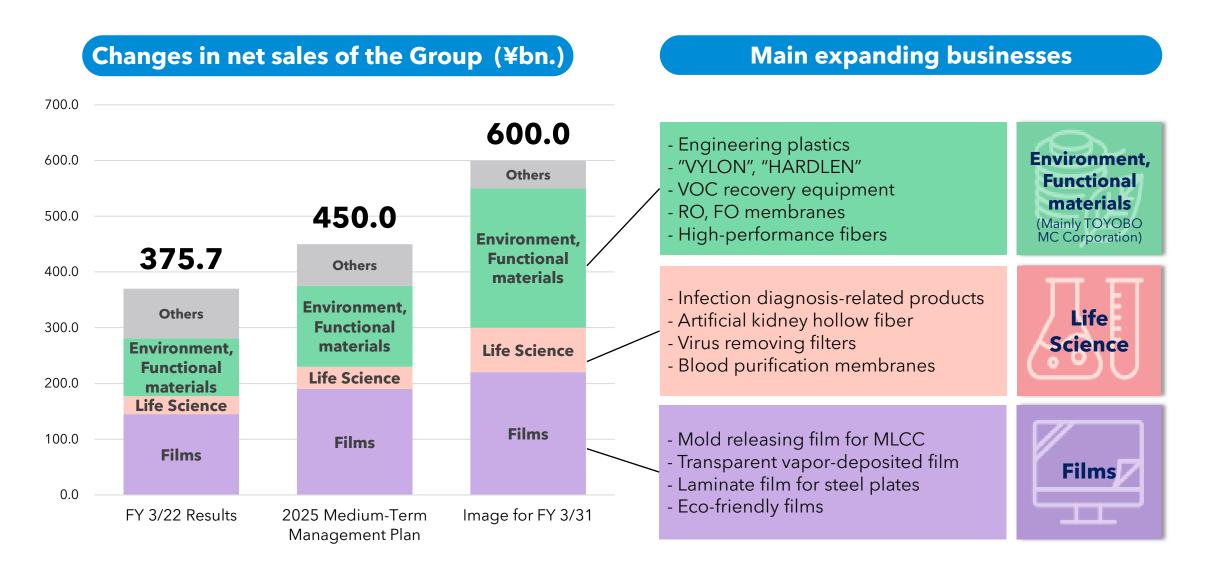


- Determine whether the business is a "stable earning business" or a "business requiring improvement," taking into account not only the hurdle rate but also qualitative information.
- The entire Group's capital efficiency indicator is ROIC, and the management indicator for each business is ROCE.

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#### Reorganization of the Business Portfolio: Aggressive Expansion Measures in Three Fields (Announced in May 2022)







## **Recover earning power to create the future**

**1. Thorough safety, disaster prevention and quality assurance, and compliance** 

#### 2. Recover earning power

Price revisions: Prices that match value. Carrying out our responsibility for supply. Creating the future.
 Cost reduction: Narrow down manufacturing, procurement and logistics costs, and SGA expenses
 Improve cash flow: Compress inventory, narrow down CAPEX, and realize effects of investment
 Measures and initiatives for businesses requiring improvement

### 3. Implementation of four measures of Medium-Term Management Plan

- (1) Thorough safety, disaster prevention, and quality assurance
- (2) Reorganization of the business portfolio (measures for businesses requiring improvement and starting up of TOYOBO MC Corporation)
- (3) Preparations for the future
- (4) Reestablishment of foundation



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