# Introduction of the development and diffusion of carbon neutral technologies utilizing intellectual property

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# 01 Introduction of LG Chem

### LG Chem | History

### Since its founding, LG Chem is vigorously moving forward towards a sustainable future.

### 1947 - 1999

1947	Established as Lucky Chemical Industrial Corporation					
1969	Listed on Korea Stock Exchange					
1974	Renamed as Lucky Corporation					
1976	Completed construction of Yeosu PVC Resin Plant					
1979	Opened Daedeok Central R&D Center					
1991	Developed the world's first 4th-generation cephalosporin antibiotics					
1995	Renamed as LG Chem, Ltd. Completed construction of Tianjin PVC plant in China					

### 2000 - 2009

- 2001 Spinned off business entities (LGCI, LG Chem, LG Household & Healthcare)
   2003 Acquired Hyundai Petrochemicals
- 2003 Acquired Hyundai Petrochemicals Factive became first Korean new drug to receive U.S. FDA approval
- 2004 Developed the world's first nanotechnology-applied new EP material
- 2005 Established LG Chem (China) Investment Co., Ltd. Established a sales subsidiary in Europe (in Germany)
- 2007 Merged with LG Petrochemicals Co., Ltd
- 2008 Develped Korea's first metallocene-based elastomer
- 2009 Spinned off Industrial Materials Business (now LX Hausys)

### 2010 - 2021

2016	Acquired Dongbu Farm Hannong (Farm Hannong)
2017	Merged with LG Life Sciences Co., Ltd.
2019	Completed construction of Korea's largest petrochemical tech center (in Osan)
	Opened the Global Innovation Center in the bio sector (in Boston)
	Spinned-off battery business (now LG Energy Solution)
2020	Acquired separator business
2021	Started construction of Cathode Material Plant for Gumi-type jobs (LG BCM)





## Leading Business Sustainability with Eco-Friendly Materials

Promoting bio materials, recycling, and energy transition as future growth engines

### **Bio Materials**

- About 40 bio products certified by ISCC Plus
- World's first mass production of bio-balanced SAP
- Internalize bio materials production, strengthen partnerships for development

### Establish circular economy of waste plastics

- Produce PCR products
- Partner with waste plastic suppliers
- Establish an eco platform

 Produce high value-added products for solar panels

Discover new renewable

energy materials

• POE, EVA, EP

LG Chem VISION

To achieve our vision, **"We Connect Science to Life for a Better Future,"** LG Chem will become **Top Global Science Company** that leads with **Science for Sustainability**.

# WeConnectScience to life for a Better Future



Leading with Science for Sustainability.

# The sustainability goals and strategies of LG Chem

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### LG Chem | Sustainability

# LG Chem Sustainability Goals

We do Everything for Sustainable Growth

Carbon Neutral Growth by 2030 & Net-Zero by 2050

Renewable Energy 100% by 2050

**Transition towards Circular Economy** 

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Zero Waste to Landfill

Ethical and Sustainable supply chain

## **Our commitments to reaching the Paris Climate Agreement**

We intend to achieve net-zero by 2050 according to our strategy of Reduce (direct emissions), Avoid (indirect emissions), and Compensate (carbon offset).



Following the formulation of our sustainability strategy in 2020, LG Chem was the first chemical company to declare carbon-neutral growth by 2050 in Korea. Since then, we have established detailed, company-wide objectives and strategies based on our strong will and have undertaken various activities to reduce carbon emissions. As a result, we have set a higher target for reducing carbon emissions, "2050 Net-Zero," in early 2022.

## **Reduce (Direct Emissions)**

LG Chem is making efforts to reduce direct emissions from our business sites, as well as adopt innovative processes and switch to low-carbon fuels and raw materials.



## **Avoid (Indirect Emissions)**

We declared our commitment to source 100% renewable energy such as wind and solar power by 2050. We are striving to shift the energy of our global business sites toward renewable energy.



## LCA (Life Cycle Assessment)

LCA is a method used to evaluate a product's environmental impact throughout its life cycle including extraction and production of raw materials, manufacturing, distribution, use, and final disposal.

include Scope 3

We plan to complete LCA for all products manufactured in Korea by 2022, and oversea by 2023.

Extraction/Production of Raw Materials       Transportation       LG Chem products         Scope 3 Upstream       Scope 1         Purchased Energy       Scope 2	Shipping   Final products   Consumers   Disposal   Scope 3 Downstream	We define our system boundary as "Cradle-to-Gate," which include Scop (Upstream). After setting up the LCA baseline, we plan to investigate the environmental hotspots and develop reduction strategies and action plans.
	LCA Framework	Goal and Scope Definition       →         ↑↓       (a) Interpretation         (a) Interpretation       →         (b) Impact Assessment       →

# 2021-2022 Highlights

# 41 bio-balanced products

To enhance the competitive edge of our green products, we acquired International Sustainability and Carbon Certification (ISCC) PLUS certifications for the first time in Korea for a total of 41 "bio-balanced" products that are made up of bio materials.

## KRW 2.6 trillion

As part of our goal to invest a total of KRW 2.6 trillion by 2028, we are committed to developing a PBAT production unit with an annual capacity of 50,000 tons and building a total of 10 plants, including a POE plant for solar films.

# 100%

Shift to renewable energy is one of the key strategies to attain net-zero. We successfully transitioned all battery materials plant in China to 100% renewable energy through direct power purchase agreements (PPAs).

### KRW 292.7 billion

To strengthen environment, health and safety (EH&S), we invested KRW 292.7 billion in 2021, a 62.3% rise YoY.

# KRW 10 trillion

To transition our business portfolio toward sustainable growth, we plan to invest KRW 10 trillion by 2025 in our three next growth engines—sustainable & eco-friendly materials, battery materials, innovative new drugs

### 20,000 tons

To advance into the chemical recycling business for the construction of a plastic circulation system, we plan to complete the construction of a supercritical pyrolysis plant with an annual capacity of 20,000 tons by 2024, which allows us to recycle more than 80% of raw materials input.

### 20,000 tons of nickel

Together with LG Energy Solution, our subsidiary, we signed a ten-year contract with Li-Cycle, North America's largest lithium-ion battery recycling company, for scraps and nickel supply starting in 2023. We have secured 20,000 tons of nickel enough to manufacture 300,000 high-performance electric vehicles (EVs).

### 180GWh

LG Chem is the first in Korea to sign a 20-year contract to purchase renewable energy certificates (RECs). By 2041, we will have secured an average of 9 GWh of renewable energy per year, totaling 180 GWh.

### 75,000 tons

In partnership with the Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, a global grain processing corporation, we aim to devise an integrated production system, from lactic acids (LA; the raw material) to polylactic acids (PLA; bioplastics), by building a PLA production plant with an annual capacity of 75,000 tons.

## 20 million tons

To meet our new, raised goal of achieving net-zero by 2050 as declared at 2022 Investor Day, we must reduce 20 million tons of total carbon emissions from BAU in 2050.

# 29% of BOD



LG Chem operates BOD-centered management system. We launched the ESG Committee in 2021, and appointed two female outside directors the following year, reaching 29% of a female presentation on the BOD. We intend to continuously expand board diversity in our future operations.

# ESG Performance Data Environment

Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Unit	Scope	2019	2020	2021
	tCO2e	Global	9,510,011	9,532,948	10,339,725
GHG Emissions (Scope 1 + Scope 2)		Korea	8,140,033	8,071,712	8,841,025
		excl. Korea	1,369,978	1,461,236	1,498,700
GHG Emissions Intenstiy (Scope 1 + Scope 2)	tCO2e/KRW 1M	Global	0.5187	0.5536	0.4296
	tCO2e	Global	5,405,608	5,395,112	5,856,588
Scope 1 Emissions		Korea	5,260,041	5,199,836	5,707,208
		excl. Korea	145,567	195,276	149,380
Scope 1 Emissions Intensity	tCO2e/KRW 1M	Global	0.2948	0.3133	0.2433
	tCO2e	Global	4,104,403	4,137,836	4,483,137
Scope 2 Emissions		Korea	2,879,992	2,871,876	3,133,817
		excl. Korea	1,224,411	1,265,960	1,349,320
Scope 2 Emissions Intensity	tCO2e/KRW 1M	Global	0.2238	0.2403	0.1863
Scope 3 Emissions <sup>1)</sup>	tCO2e	Korea	1,081,852	1,209,828	1,320,247
- Purchased Goods & Services			494,538	517,985	571,164
- Capital Goods			54	14	56
- Fuel- and Energy-related Activities			122,922	121,904	175,732
- Upstream Transportation			151,406	318,438	197,919
- Waste			19,113	19,679	28,925
- Business Travel			2,767	2,265	970
- Employee Commuting			7,987	4,737	7,488
- Investments			276,686	219,190	322,438
- Other Upstream			6,379	5,616	15,555

 Scope 3 emissions have been calculated for operations within Korea, on relevant categories of GHG Protocol's Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Accounting and Reporting Standard (2011)

\* Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions in Korea in 2020 have been revised in accordance with the verification outcomes of the Ministry of Environment

\* Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions in Korea in 2021 have been reported in accordance with the GHG Statements submitted to the Ministry of Environment; the data is subject to change depending on the verification outcomes

\* Emissions calculations for some Scope 3 categories have been adjusted based on updated methodology

LG Chem | Climate Change Response Strategy

## Carbon-neutral growth by 2030, Net-Zero by 2050



Accelerate decarbonization

Introduce innovative processes and convert to eco-friendly raw materials and fuels

Expand use of renewable energy

Offset carbon emissions



Strengthen competitiveness of low-carbon products through LCA

To be applied To all Korean market products in 2022, all Korean/overseas products in 2023 Become a global leader in climate response

The first and only Asian member of WEF Alliance of CEO Climate Leaders

\*Alliance of CEO Climate Leaders : Climate alliance with over 30 corporate CEOs and government officials worldwide LG Chem | Climate Change Response Strategy / New Growth Engine

# Towards Top Global Science Company



Sustainable business centered around eco-friendly materials

Develop bio materials

Establish circular economy of waste plastics

Foster renewable energy material business



Battery material-oriented e-Mobility

Produce first-rate cathode materials in the world

Expand core material business for secondary batteries

Reinforce R&D for next-gen battery materials



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Expand domestic top-level pipelines

Develop global clinical trials and accelerate business

Bolster investment in R&D for new drug development

LG Chem | Climate Change Response Strategy / R&D Capability

# **Towards Top Global Science Company**



Foster bioplastics and low-carbon technology

Mechanical/chemical recycling technologies

Develop and commercialize biodegradable plastics

CO2 capture/utilization technology



#### Improve battery performance and safety Develop next-gen battery materials

Develop single-crystal cathode materials

Develop new materials for separators /pure silicon electrode materials

> Material technology for all-solid-state batteries

Gain leadership in cancer /autoimmune diseases, diabetes /metabolic diseases

Accelerate global clinical development for new drug projects, e. g., gout, NASH, and obesity

Implement multi-modality strategies for cell/gene therapy

\* Various approach to drugs

# 03 IP strategies of LG Chem in carbon neutral technologies

## **Intellectual Properties**

LG Chem has accumulated a rich reserve of patents and trademarks through strategic management of intellectual property.



### LG Chem | Eco-friendly Brand

# LETZer

#### Eco-friendly Material Brand LETZero

A compound word of "Let" and "Zero," which means "to turn harmful substances to the environment and the net increase in carbon emissions into zero."

**LETZero** Certification

#### **LETZero Product Line**



### **Capacity building**

Systematic intellectual property management

We have strengthened the system to establish patent strategies spanning the entire corporation, from R&D activities to business operations. Step-by-step patent management

From early R&D to commercialization, our dedicated IP experts provide focused support to acquire patents and strategize their applications.

#### Open innovation

We are fostering various open innovations to prepare for the future and tap into exceptional technologies early.

IP-Based Technology Scouting using AI/DX

We analyze statistics on patents using AI/DX and use it to establish application/license strategies, set R&D directions, and support new businesses to secure competitive advantage and strengthen our portfolio.

#### Technology Scouting

Step 1: Tech trend sensing/forecasting, identify emerging tech Step 2: Channel tech related information into the company Step 3: Support acquisition of the tech

### Use of AI in Statistical Analysis of Patents : Supervised Learning



Repetitive/same routine for Update

### <u>Outline</u>

# Automatically clustering patents for technology scouting

 To identify emerging technology / Channel in-house related information / Support acquisition of the technology

#### From tech sensing to data-based decision

- Similarity analysis, periodical change in Keywords, etc.
- Enhancing functionality and expanding utilization based on user (R&D, Biz unit) needs

### Features and expected effects

# Unsupervised AI analysis system dramatically reduces the time and cost of patent analysis

- It is predicted that utilization will increase rapidly due to the expansion of the analysis area and ease of use.

#### In particular, anyone can easily check and analyze the patent landscape in relation to technology sensing

# This improves work efficiency and can be used as a decision making tool

- Al performs rapid basic analysis, IP Personnel interprets data and provides Business insight.
- Used for R&D planning, New Business / Item Development, M&A, financial investment, Technology Transfer etc.

Leading with science to sustain our valuable life

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# THANK YOU

### We Connect Science

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