

## Solvay congratulates Scaled Composites and Stratolaunch Systems Corporation for a successful first flight

**Alpharetta, Georgia, USA, May 6, 2019** --- Solvay is proud to congratulate Scaled Composites for successfully flying the Stratolaunch aircraft for the first time. This twin-fuselage aircraft is the world's largest aircraft by wingspan and was designed to air launch rockets into space.

Solvay's innovative out of autoclave prepreg technology is extensively used on the primary structure of the Stratolaunch aircraft. Indeed, Solvay's [VTM® 264](#) was utilized to manufacture the plane's fuselage, wing skins, empennage, ribs, spars and bulkheads.

We wish Scaled Composites and Stratolaunch Systems Corporation success on the next steps of the program.



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Solvay's new Global Business Unit Composite Materials is a global provider of technologically advanced lightweighting material solutions that enable our customers in the aerospace, automotive and other demanding industries to design, develop and efficiently manufacture high-quality, high-performance and complex composite structures. Composite Materials has the most extensive product portfolio, including prepregs, resin systems, adhesives and surfacing films, carbon fiber, textiles, tooling and vacuum bagging consumables, thanks to its leadership in advanced materials science, chemistry and application engineering. Solvay Composite Materials combines the former Cytec Aerospace Materials and Industrial Materials businesses.

**Solvay** is an advanced materials and specialty chemicals company, committed to developing chemistry that addresses key societal challenges. Solvay innovates and partners with customers worldwide in many diverse end-markets. Its products are used in planes, cars, batteries, smart and medical devices, as well as in mineral and oil and gas extraction, enhancing efficiency and sustainability. Its lightweighting materials promote cleaner mobility, its formulations optimize the use of resources, and its performance chemicals improve air and water quality. Solvay is headquartered in Brussels with around 24,500 employees in 62 countries. Net sales were €10.3 billion in 2018, with 90% from activities where Solvay ranks among the world's top 3 leaders, resulting in an EBITDA margin of 22%. Solvay SA (**SOLB.BE**) is listed on Euronext Brussels and Paris Bloomberg: **SOLB.BB** - Reuters: **SOLB.BR**, and in the United States its shares (**SOLVY**) are traded through a level-1 ADR program. (*Financial figures take into account the planned divestment of Polyamides*).

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