

Accelerate 2025-I

Mid-Term Management Strategy

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Introduction

Learning from History





Return to the origin of DAICEL "Ability to meet social needs"

- Development of fireproof celluloid in the initial period of the business and domestic production of photographic films
- Growth of Polyplastics which has established evaluation technology to accurately answer customers' metal replacement needs
- Functional chemicals derived from the Company's business domain and grown through the integrated operation of Manufacturing, Sales and Research
- Inflator business that has been successful because of accumulated technology and co-creative efforts with an industry-leading company

Learning from History





Learn from the past and acquire a new "compass" that can be used for next strategies

- Horizontal integration on the premise of restructuring the difficulties of internal integration
- Withdrawal from new fields not in the Company's line of business (optical discs, deodorants, etc.)
- Delay in new business development and transformation of business structure
- Insufficient attention to markets/customers and excessive adherence to in-house technology
- Stereotypes tied to existing organizations and businesses, excessive emphasis on management resources
- Lack of speed, flexibility and collaboration to respond to changing needs

Learning from History



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Ability to meet social needs × new compass = Cross-Value Chain A new strategy

Construction of Cross-Value Chain in stages from OP-I to OP-III

- Establish an organizational structure and personnel system that enable quick decision-making from the customer's perspective.
- Maximize management resource efficiency through portfolio management.
- Reform governance to maximize group synergies.
- Form a New Business Group by strengthening IT infrastructure and running a Virtual Company.
- Create new value through a Cross-Value Chains with entities outside the Company.

Cross-Value Chain Strategy × Society That Must Coexist with Covid-19



Thoroughly promote the Cross-Value Chain strategy with themes pertinent to a society that must coexist with Covid-19.

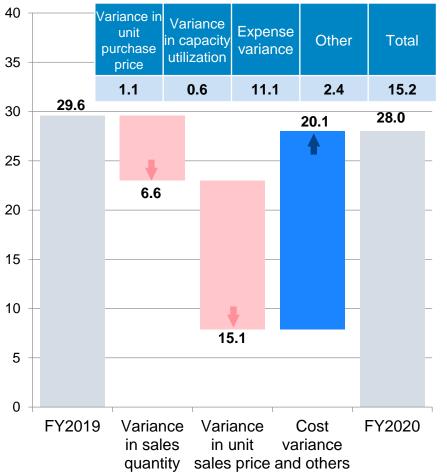
1. Lean manage	ment structure				
Establishing solid footing against ··· economic downturn ···	Thorough cost reduction	Cost reduction: Initial plan 10.7 billion yen \Rightarrow Performance forecast 15.2 billion yen			
	Withdrawal from unprofitable businesses	Withdrawal from defense business: Redistribution of management resources of 145 persons			
	Reorganization of unprofitable bases	Consolidation of mobility BU bases: Labor saving of 485 persons (cumulative in 2023)			
	Workstyle reform	Rate of working from home = 70%, drastic reduction in business trip expenses			
2. Response to t	top priority needs				
Contributing to Covid-19	Contribution with our technologies and products	Provide our administration devices for clinical trial of intradermal vaccination against Covid-19. • Expected to increase the effectiveness of the vaccine 5 to 10 times.			
measures		Develop new products that contribute to the prevention of Covid-19 infection.			
 Coexisting with Covid-19 and Preparing for a new order	Morphing into an issue- discovering company	 Develop new air filter with Daikin Industries. Company-wide support across departmental boundaries to keep up with changes i customer needs 			
	Developing an autonomous production system	 Evolve the AI-based DAICEL Production Innovation. Cost reduction potential: 10 billion yen Foundation for building a virtual company by reducing the burdens associated with introducing Production Innovation 			
	Making Polyplastics a wholly owned subsidiary	Reflect the change in Mid-Term Management Strategy. New development of engineering plastics business Maximization of synergies in the DAICEL Group 			
	Promoting cooperation between multiple enterprises and academic institutions	Enhance research functions through joint research opportunities. • Osaka University, University of Hyogo, Kanazawa University, etc.			

Thorough Pursuit of Cost Reduction and Production Efficiency



Factors of change in operating income (estimated value)

Cost reduction by factory action including cost variance and others (Unit: Billion Yen)



Cost reduction by factory action

<Action according to operation>

During low operation:

Generate power to use surplus steam for self-feeding or electricity sales.

During high operation:

Implement steam-saving and power-saving actions due to the lack of steam.

 \Rightarrow Enables stable cost reduction action regardless of operating conditions.

<Consolidation of production bases>

- ◇ Call off local production for local consumption of inflators and convert to a system of cooperation among production bases.
- ⇒Impairment loss of excess facilities (reduce FY2020 expenses by 2 billion yen)
- \Rightarrow Cost reduction (reduce FY2020 expenses by 600 million yen)
- ◇ From now on, new investments can be reduced substantially compared to the past by changing gas generant production method.



General Picture

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The company making lives better by co-creating value.

Sustainable Value Together

Basic Philosophy

Sustainable Management Policy

Long-term Vision

Company-wide/Divisional Mid-Term Strategy

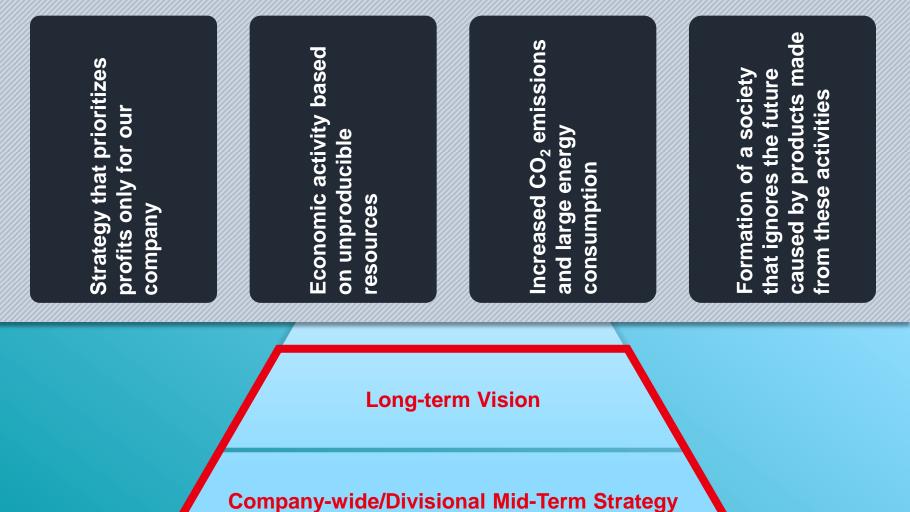
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Sustainable People Happiness for workers

Human-centered management











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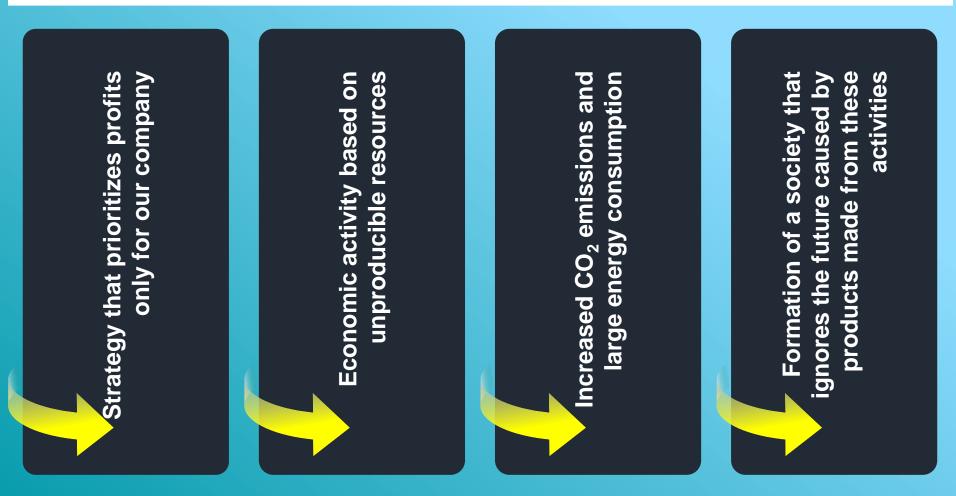
Contributing to the Construction of a Recycling-oriented Society

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Contributing to the Construction of a Recycling-oriented Society





Contributing to the Construction of a Recycling-oriented Society

Formation of New Business Group

Beyond barriers of departments and companies, aim, think and create together for society and the Earth.

Realization of Biomass Product Trees

Realize environmentfriendly processes and product groups that utilize dormant forest resources and naturally derived raw materials in Japan without waste.

Implementation of carbon offsets and energy offsets

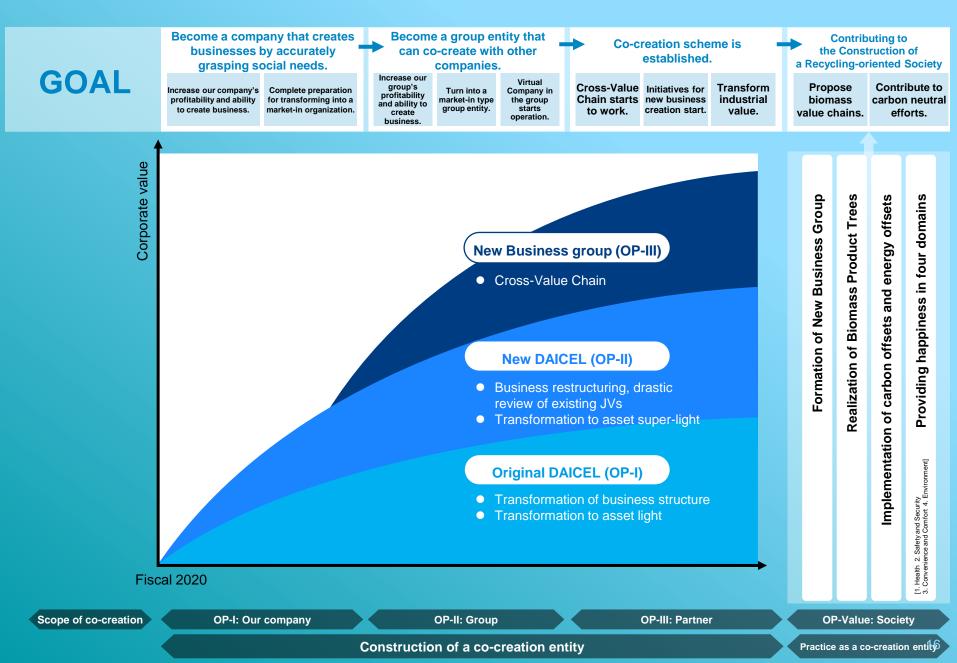
Reduce burden on the global environment through the reuse and effective use of emitted carbon and energy.

Providing happiness in four domains

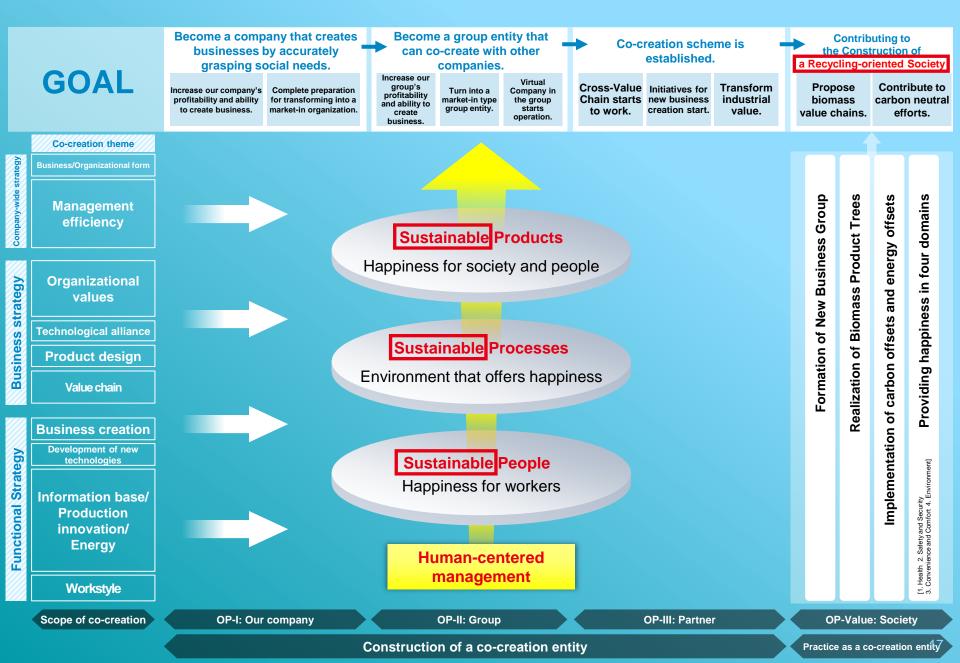
- 1. Health
- 2. Safety and Security
- 3. Convenience and Comfort
- 4. Environment

Face social issues and multiply the strengths of companies to create new value and needs.

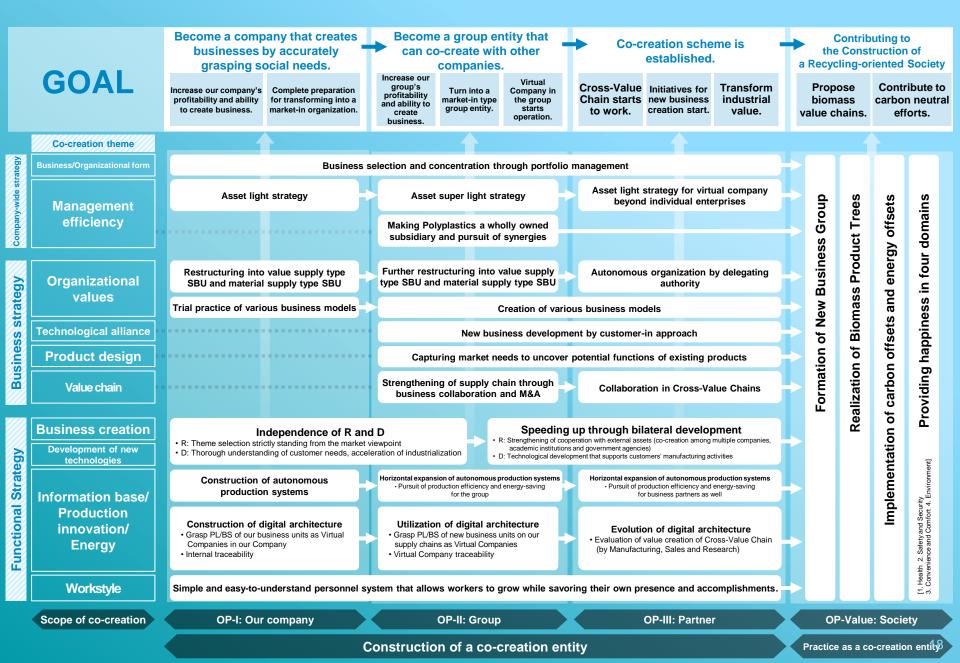




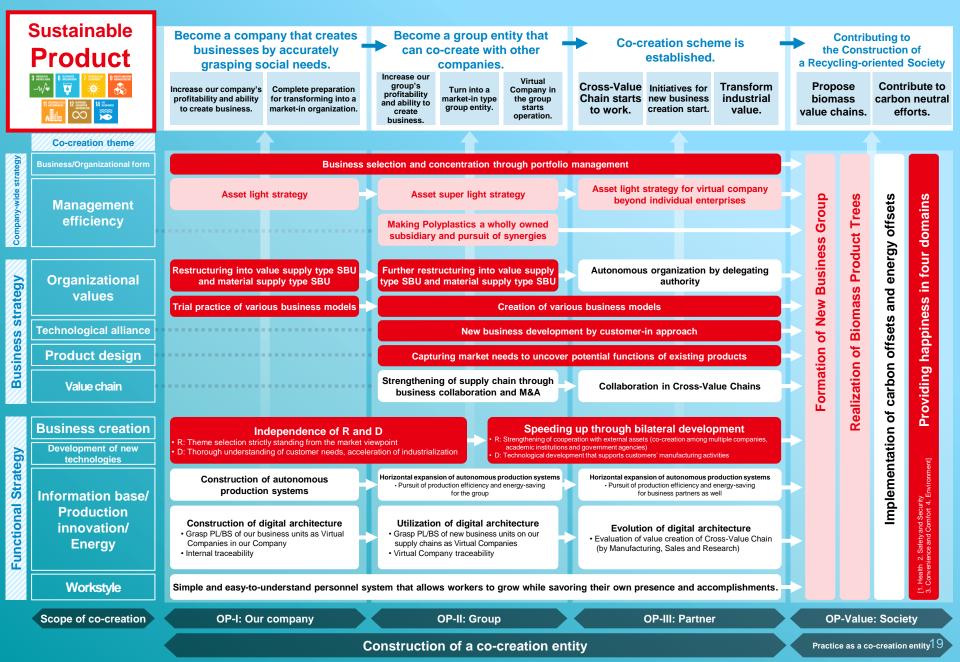




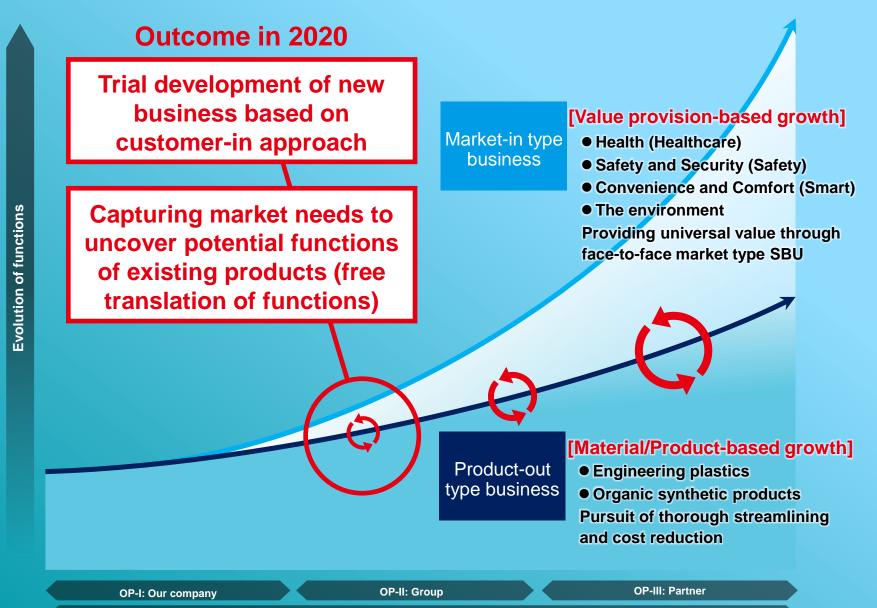








Sustainable Products Contributing to happiness of people and society DAICEL

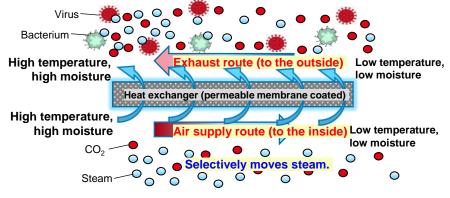


Construction of a co-creation entity

Trial development of new business based on customer-in approach: Collaboration with Daikin Industries

Total heat exchange type element

Our coating technology ensures high airtightness and antibacterial properties, contributing to high heat exchange efficiency.

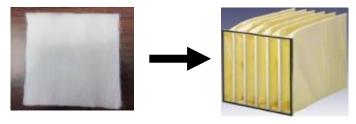


<Cooling in Summer>

- Launch first onto the Chinese market in FY 2021.
- Develop products that meet the needs of each region across the world and launch the products sequentially.

Low pressure loss filter

Composite materials that utilize our acetate tow technology achieve low pressure loss, maintaining high air purification capacity.

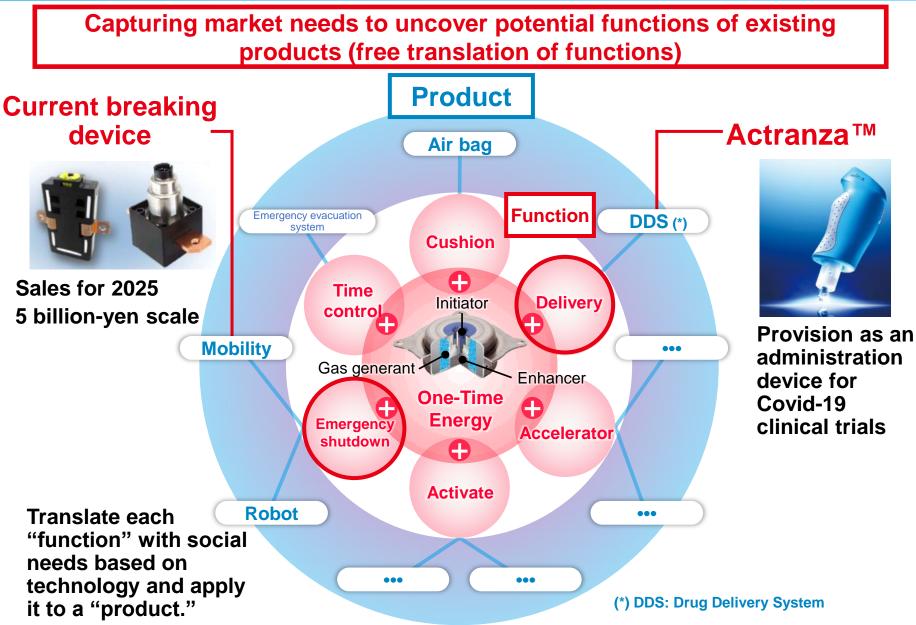


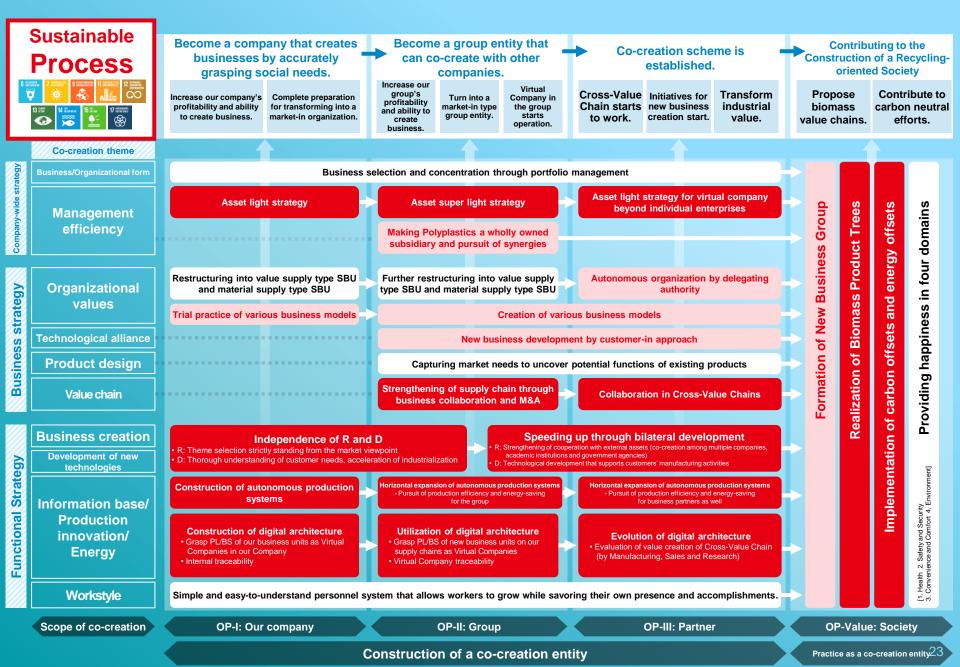
Filter sheet

Air filter

- Start field evaluation and sales in small quantity from FY 2022 to 2023.
- Start full-fledged sales on a global basis in FY 2025 (Sales for the first year: Hundreds of millions of yen).
- Aim to achieve sales of billions of yen in FY 2030.

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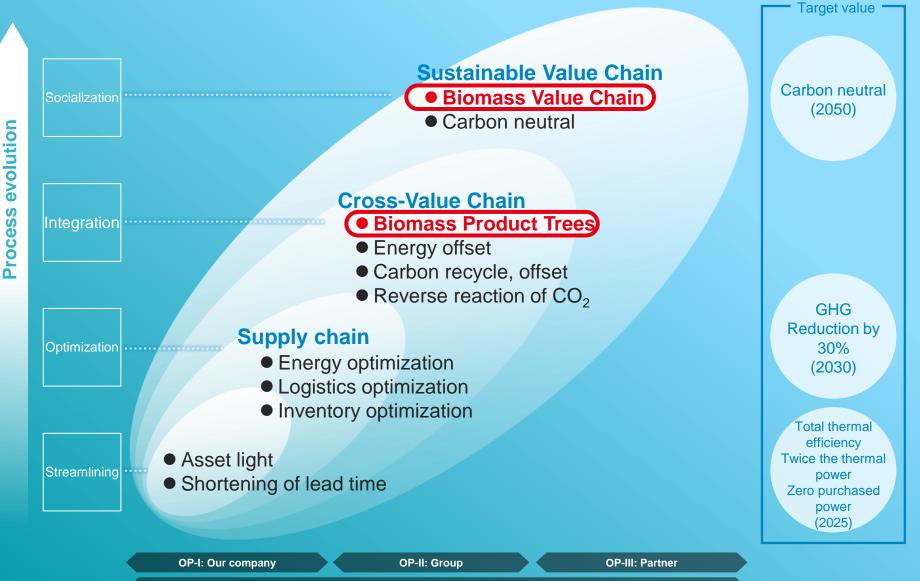


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Sustainable Processes

Achieving goals with environmentally and people friendly methods





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New biomass product tree that DAICEL aims for

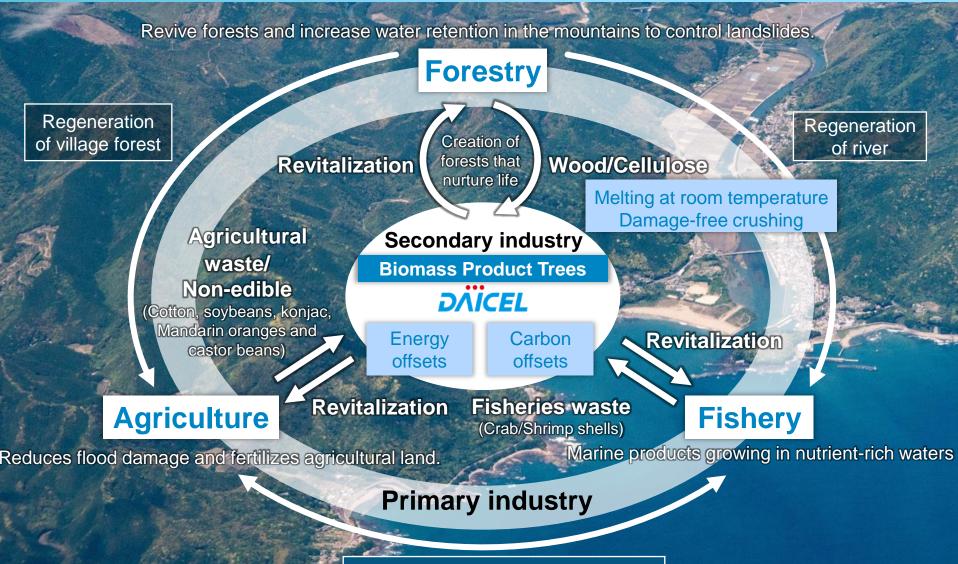
	Raw material	Manufacturing process	Product	
Petrochemical product tree	Limited underground resources that increase the amount of carbon on the ground	Wasteless process sophisticatedly established all at once	Wide-ranging and sophisticated functionality	
Existing biomass product tree	Producible raw material with high environmental load	Partially utilizes as raw materials with high energy cost process	Functionality relatively lower than petrochemical products	
New Biomass Product Tree	Producible raw material that can realize a recycling- oriented society	New simple process that is both economic and ecological	Sophisticated functionality equivalent to petrochemicals	
	Biomass raw material • Wood • Agricultural and fishery wastes, etc. • Next- generation methanol • CO • Syn • Forest resources Agricultural and fishery resources	liquified raw material Separation	Plastics Fibers/Rubbers Paints/Solvents Functional materials Materials of new genre	

Sustainable Processes Biomass Value Chain

Achieving goals with environmentally and people friendly methods

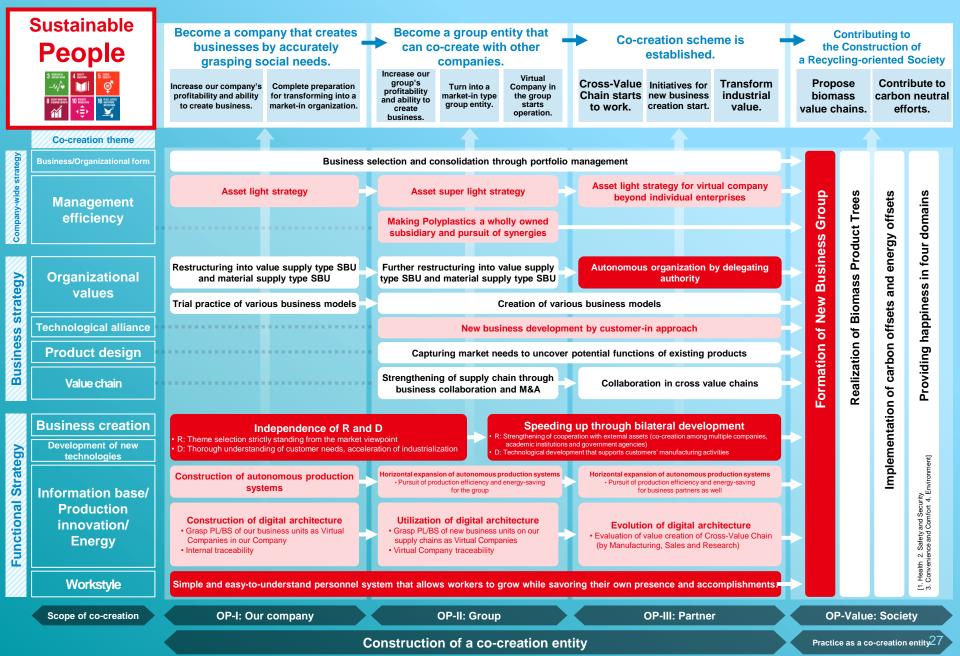


Advocating an enduring industrial ecosystem through the co-creation cycle of primary and secondary industries



Revitalization of regional economies









"Human-centered business management"



Management Indexes

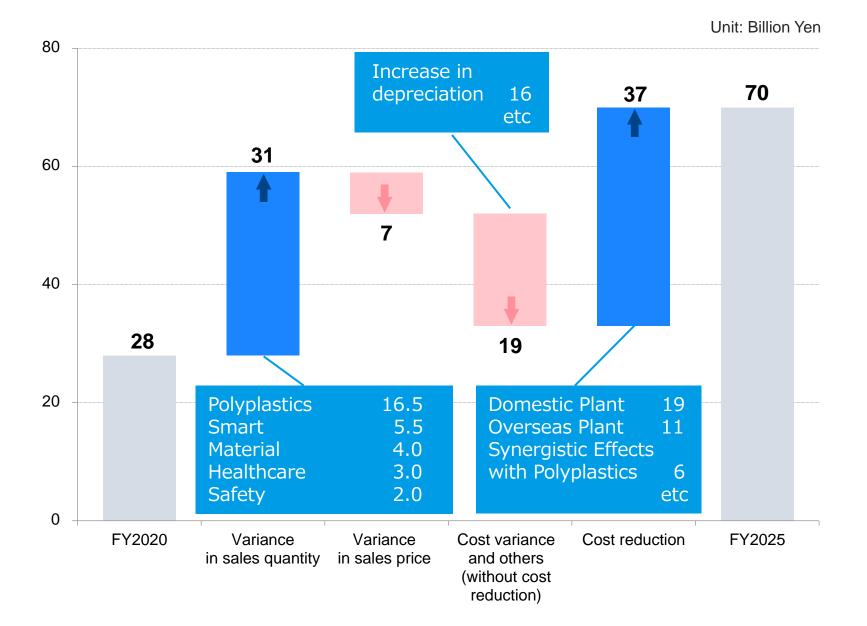
Performance Targets



Unit: Billion Yen	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Sales	388.0	395.0	408.0	436.0	465.0	500.0
Operating income	28.0	13.0	21.0	33.0	53.0	70.0
Operating income to sales	7.2%	3.3%	5.1%	7.6%	11.4%	14.0%
Net income attributable to owners of the parent	18.0	15.0	18.0	24.0	36.0	48.0
EBITDA	58.0	60.0	68.0	82.0	100.0	116.0
		up to 2022			up to 2025	
Major plans	 2021: Start of CO (acetic acid raw material) plant operation Start of 1,3BG (cosmetics raw material) plant operation 2022: Safety SBU: Completion of production area consolidation Smart SBU: Production increase of semiconductor-related products 			operation Smart SBU: St base in India 2024: Material SBU: Polyplastics: Lo 2025:	tart of additional (art of operation a Epoxy production CP production inc OM production in	t the production increase crease

Analysis of factors for increase / decrease in operating income





Management Indexes Targets / Shareholder Return DAICEL

- Increase funds generating capabilities by improving profitability, converting non-business assets into cash and other means.
- Optimize asset and capital efficiency to realize a return exceeding the cost of capital (WACC for the final year assumes to be around 6%).
- As for return to shareholders, maintain the current amount of dividend per share as the lower limit. At the same time, set the target of total return ratio of 40% or higher for each fiscal year while keeping in mind flexible acquisition of treasury stock.

Unit: Billion Yen	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
EBITDA	58.0	60.0	68.0	82.0	100.0	116.0
ROE	6.2%	7.0%	8.5%	11.0%	15.0%	18.0%
ROIC	3.8%	1.5%	2.5%	4.5%	7.0%	10.0%
ROA	3.0%	2.5%	3.0%	4.0%	6.0%	8.0%

Total

Maintain the current amount of dividend per share as the lower limit return ratio Total return ratio of 40% or higher

Image of Balance Sheet

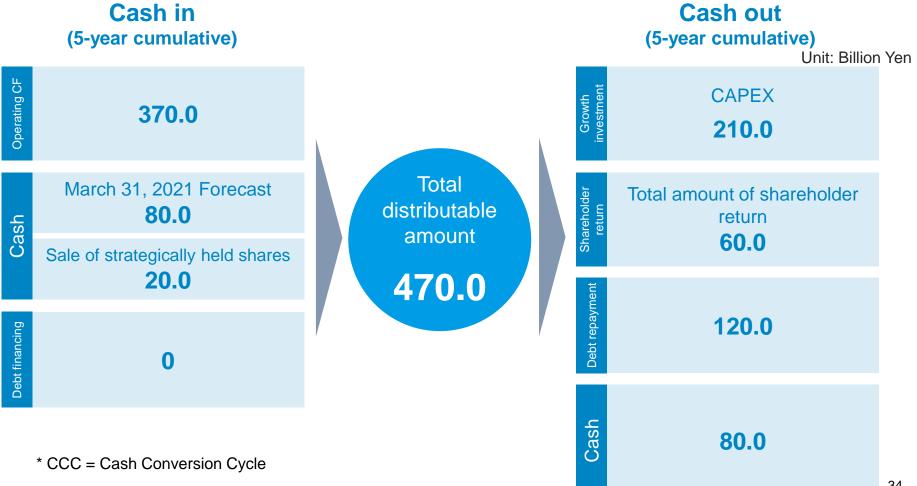


- Keep the total asset balance based on the asset light policy even during the business expansion period.
- Achieve equity ratio exceeding 45% and net D/E ratio under 0.5 times to enhance financial stability.

March 2021 Forecast			March 202	6 Forecast Unit: Billion Yen	
Assets	Liabilities/Equity		Assets	Liabilities/Equity	
Current assets 290.0 Cash and deposits 80.0 Working assets 190.0	290.0Liabilitiesand deposits 80.0390.0		Current assets 290.0 Cash and deposits 80.0 Working assets 190.0	Liabilities 310.0 Interest-bearing debt 160.0	
Non-current assets			Non-current		
310.0 Tangible and intangible assets 240.0 Strategically held shares 50.0	Net assets 210.0		assets 300.0 Tangible and intangible assets 230.0 Strategically held shares 30.0	Net assets 280.0	
600.0	600.0		590.0	590.0	

Funds Generating Capabilities

- Improve funds generating capabilities by the effect of CCC (*)reduction(Target:around110 days), along with strengthening profitability.
- Further increase funds generating capabilities by the sale of non-business assets for excess cash to be utilized for growth investment and shareholder returns.



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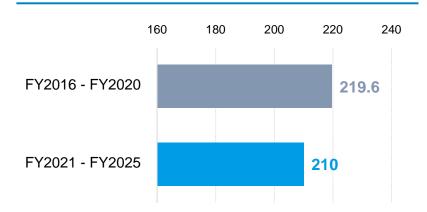
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Resource Allocation

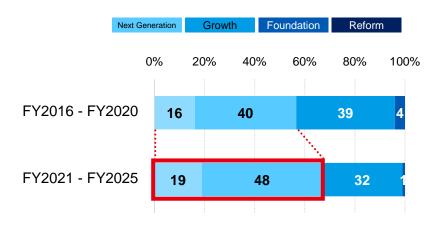
Devote much greater resources to "Next-Generation" and "Growth" Business.

FY2021 - FY2025

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Capital investment



120 40 60 80 100 Unit: Billion Yen FY2016 - FY2020 98.7 FY2021 - FY2025 106 Next Generation Growth Foundation Reform Corporate 0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100% FY2016 - FY2020 17 32 14 7 30

R&D cost



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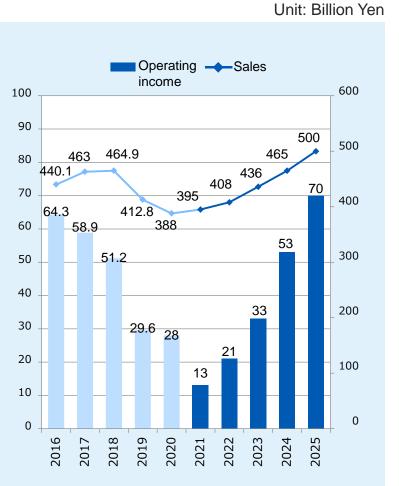
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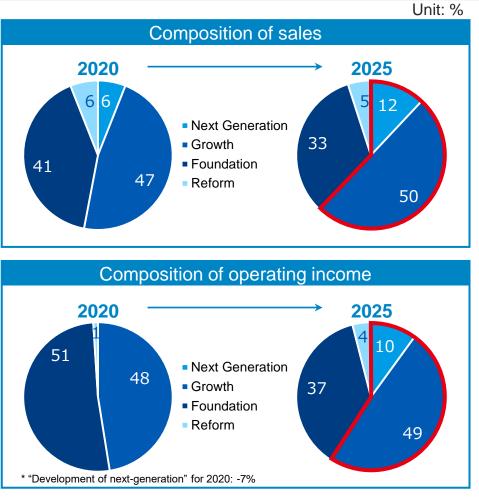


Changes in Portfolio



- Sales: Growing with the increase of "Next-Generation" and "Growth" Business after FY2021.
- Operating income :Falling in FY2021 affected mainly by the depreciation of large-scale investment, growth supported by the increase of "Next-Generation" and "Growth" Business.







Synergetic Effects Expected from Making Polyplastics a Wholly Owned Subsidiary

Significance and Strategy of Making Polyplastics a Wholly Owned Subsidiary



Positive dissolution by mutual consent in order to respond to the rapidly changing business environment



Expanded options of growth strategy



Synergetic Effects of Making Polyplastics a Wholly Owned Subsidiary



20.0 billion yen has been incorporated in the plan up to 2025

Acceleration of global operations	Effect: 13.0 billion yen	Investment	Start of Operation	Production Increase Capacity (MT/year)
 Invest in production increase to cap Expand sales to the US and Europ 	COC Debottlenecking	2021	4,400	
	COC production increase	2023	20,000	
Realization of cost-cutting synergy	Effect: 6.0 billion yen	LCP production increase	2024	5,400
 Accelerate DAICEL production inno 	ovation	POM production increase	2025	90,000

[Investment Plan]

Efficiently manage indirect departments (personnel rotation/centralization of procurement, engineering and human resources)

Maximization of group synergy Effect: **1.0** billion yen

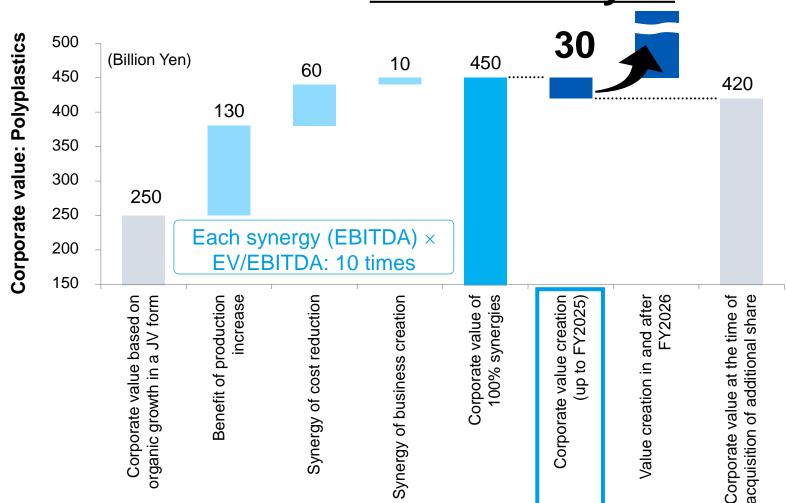
- Utilize marketing abilities of Polyplastics
- Mutually utilize R&D resources (e.g., computational science/measuring instruments, etc.)
- Make improvements to catalysts and other matters of existing businesses

Corporate Value Creation by Making Polyplastics a Wholly Owned Subsidiary



Corporate value by synergistic effect of making a wholly owned subsidiary

- Corporate value at the time of additional share acquisition



= Value creation worth 30.0 billion yen



1) Business Strategy



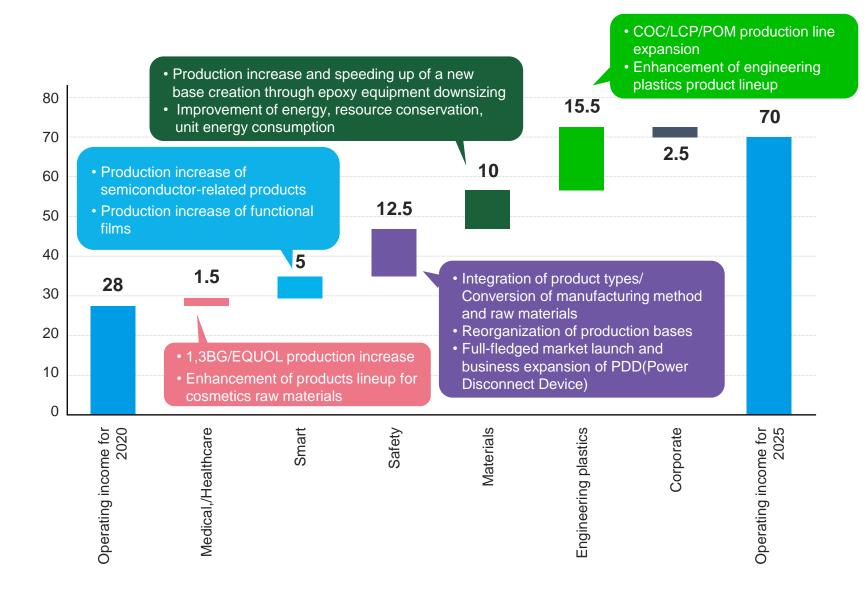
Performance Targets by each Segment (Sales)

	Sales						
Unit: Billion Yen	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
Medical/ Healthcare	15.5	17.0	18.0	20.0	23.0	25.0	
Smart	25.0	26.0	30.0	34.0	37.0	45.0	
Safety	67.0	68.0	71.0	80.0	90.0	100.0	
Materials	100.5	100.0	102.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	
Engineering plastics	167.5	174.0	178.0	190.0	203.0	217.0	
Others (Reform etc.)	12.5	10.0	9.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	
Total	388.0	395.0	408.0	436.0	465.0	500.0	

DAICEL Performance Targets by each Segment (Operating income)

	Operating income						
Unit: Billion Yen	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
Medical/ Healthcare	1.5	-2.5	-1.0	0	2.0	3.0	
Smart	3.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	5.0	8.0	
Safety	2.5	4.5	5.5	11.0	14.0	15.0	
Materials	15.0	7.0	9.0	12.0	20.0	25.0	
Engineering plastics	19.5	18.0	21.0	23.0	28.0	35.0	
Others (Reform etc.)	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.5	
Corporate	-15.0	-16.5	-16.5	-17.0	-17.5	-17.5	
Total	28.0	13.0	21.0	33.0	53.0	70.0	

DAICEL Segment-based Breakdown of Operating Income Growth



Safety SBU Strategy 🐷 🖬 🐼 📰 🖾 🛒



Airbag inflators	Growth			
Market growth prospectAutomobile production CAGR* 5%Concrete measures		Strength	Cost reduction learned from TPS (Toyota Production System) Pyro technology that enables integrated production from gas generant	
		Policy	 Strengthen cost-competitiveness. Expand market share. 	
	up to 2022		up to 2025	
Cataloging and integration of products / New composite gas generan Consolidate production bases		generant	Set up production base in India.	
Continuous cost reduction by labor-savings, etc.				

Standardization, In-house production, Diversion rate of EOP (End of Production) line $50\% \rightarrow$ Sift to "the Half-cost line"

Further collaboration with airbag module manufacturers

Industrial busine	SS Next Generation			
Market growth	EV production	Strength	Pyro technology accumulated in the inflator business	
prospect	CAGR 32 %	Policy	 Find new applications through free translation of pyro technology [One-Time Energy] 	
Concrete measures			Co-create new businesses with customers.	
	up to 2022		up to 2025	
Develop PDD (Power Disconnect Device) / Strengthen marketing				
Expand sales of PGG (gas generator for seatbelt pretensioner) with universal model				

Engineering Plastics Strategy





Polyplastics Growth						
Market growth prospect			 Technological strength and products accumulated in Asia / Global service supply network Technical solution system for quick response to customer needs 			
propost	Smartphone market CAGR 6%	Policy	 Enhance supply capacity and enrich product portfolio Increase share in the US and European premium markets 			
Concrete measures			Create new businesses			
	up to 2022		up to 2025			
	ottlenecking (reinforcement work) rease compound capacity.		Increase production capacity for each resin POM / LCP / COC			

Construct technical solution center in Europe.

Expand into the US and European LCP market upon removal of restrictions in sales territories. Enhance engineering plastics product lineup through collaboration, business acquisition, etc. Create eco-friendly plastics market.

 \rightarrow Development of new products using sustainable polymers and raw materials

 \rightarrow COC sales expansion that contributes to circular economy

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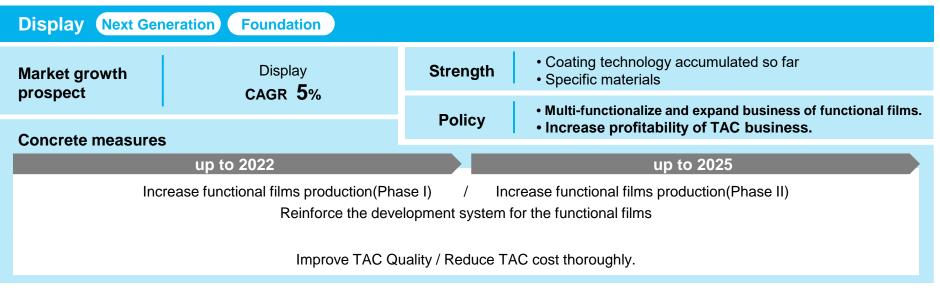


Alicyclic epoxy	Growth		
Market growth prospect	Alicyclic epoxy CAGR 15%	Strength	 The largest global market share and the highest manufacturing capacity Capability to develop new products
	CAGR IJ%	Policy	 Establish new production bases Strengthen capability to propose materials / functions
Concrete measures			
	up to 2022		up to 2025
Develop new thermoset resin / collaborate with formulation manufacturers			Change in production method + Numbering-up
Strengthen functional analysis technologies and establish global technical service systems			

Cellulose acetate	Foundation Reform				
Market growth prospect	Biodegradable resin CAGR 10%	Strength	 Materials with wide range of molecular design / Control technology Cost reduction experienced through DAICEL Production Innovation 		
prospect	Acetate tow CAGR -1%	Policy	Find new applications of cellulose acetate and acetate tow		
Concrete measures	i i		• Create stable cash flows		
	up to 2022		up to 2025		
Convert applications of cellulose acetate utilizing natural materials Ultimate cost reduction Transition to an efficient production system taking demand into consideration					



ICs/Semiconductors Growth Next Generation					
Market growth prospect	Semiconductors CAGR 15%	Strength	 Quality control system in line with market needs Resist polymer using original monomer 		
Concrete measures		Policy	 Strengthen semiconductor-related business that meets the needs for cutting-edge technologies 		
	up to 2022		up to 2025		
Ρ		/ Enhance produ	up to 2025 act lineup / Increase MMPGAC production		



Healthcare SBU Strategy 🔤 🐷 🐷 🐷 🐷 🐷



Cosmetics materials Next Generation					
Market growth Cosmetics (Asia) prospect CAGR 5%	Strength• Two 1,3BG production bases → Stable supply/World's highest qua• Solid sales network in the Asian region	llity			
Concrete measures	 Policy Enhance sustainable material lineup Expand market share of existing products 				
up to 2022	up to 2025				

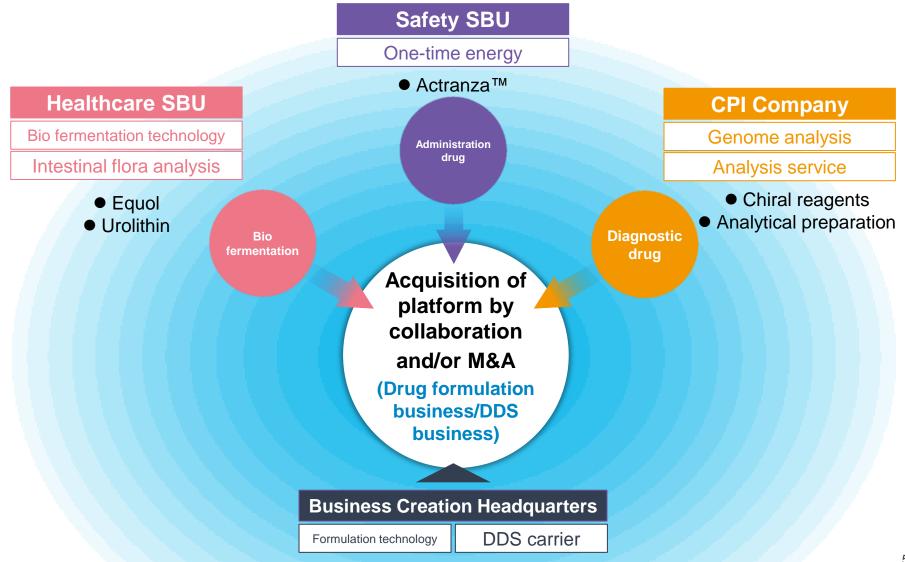
New 1,3BG plant (Aboshi Plant) starts operation. \rightarrow Increase market share by taking advantage of stable supply and quality.

Enhance product lineup through collaboration with organizations inside and outside the Daicel Group as well as M&A. Put BELLOCEA® (spherical fine particles) onto the market and expand business.

Health foods Next Generation					
Market growth	Health food raw materials (Japan)	Strength	Bio (microbial) fermentation technology		
prospect Concrete measure	I	Policy	 EQUOL sales expansion Expand a lineup of intestinal microbiome products 		
	up to 2022		up to 2025		
Increase EQUOL production / Provide total solution with intestine as a starting point					
Enhance intestinal flora material lineup / Collaborate with strategic partners (e.g. Cykinso, Inc.) and promote M&A					



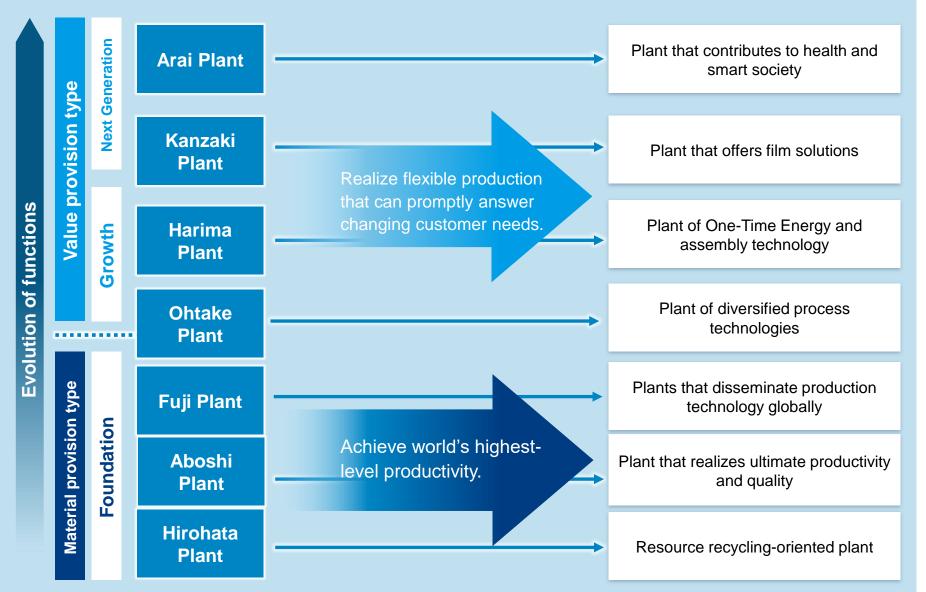
Create administration device and diagnosis system that responds to gene therapy drugs and biopharmaceuticals.





Priority Functional Strategy



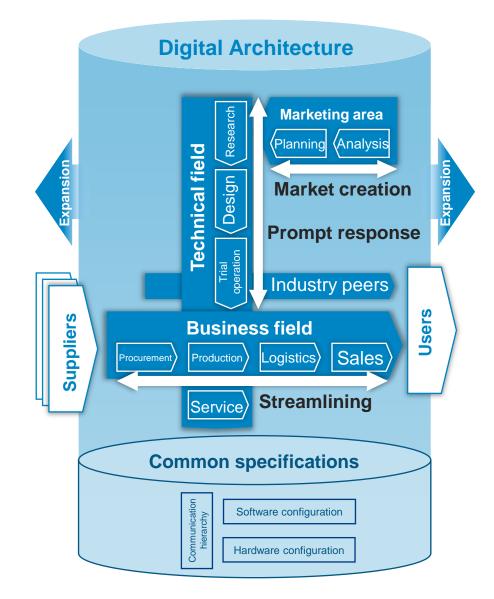


Digital Architecture Construction



By designing a cross-organizational overall system,

"increase efficiency" of all business processes and "create and promptly adapt to markets."



Digital Items

IP Landscape

Grasp market trends and combine with free translation of functions to identify the next research theme

Material Informatics

Explore and design new materials with information technology

Virtual Lab / Bench Pilot

Minimize time required from research to trial operation

Virtual Company

(Virtual company that combines multiple businesses)

Optimize management decisions by directly allocate assets on a business basis to calculate P/L and B/S

Autonomous Production System

(Evolution of DAICEL Production Innovation) Provide necessary things at necessary time in necessary amounts.





Prerequisite



		Mid-Term Management Strategy (FY2021-2025)
	Exchange Rate (USD/JPY)	100
rial	Methanol Asian spot price (USD/MT)	280
Raw material	Dubai crude oil (USD/bbl)	60
Ra	Domestic naphtha (JPY/KL)	40,000

Segment Reference (Capital investment/R&D)



	Capital investment		Depreciation		R&D	
Unit: Billion Yen	2020	2021–2025	2020	2021–2025	2020	2021–2025
Medical, healthcare	11.5	8.5	1.0	20.0	2.0	16.0
Smart	4.0	28.0	1.5	17.0	3.0	15.5
Safety	11.0	44.0	4.0	31.0	4.0	21.5
Materials	15.0	43.5	9.0	73.5	2.0	10.5
Engineering plastics	7.5	67.0	7.0	51.5	4.0	20.5
Others (Reform etc.)	3.0	3.0	0.5	2.0	0.5	1.0
Corporate	3.0	7.0	1.5	12.0	5.0	21.0
Total	55.0	201.0	24.5	207.0	20.5	106.0

*Tangible fixed assets only

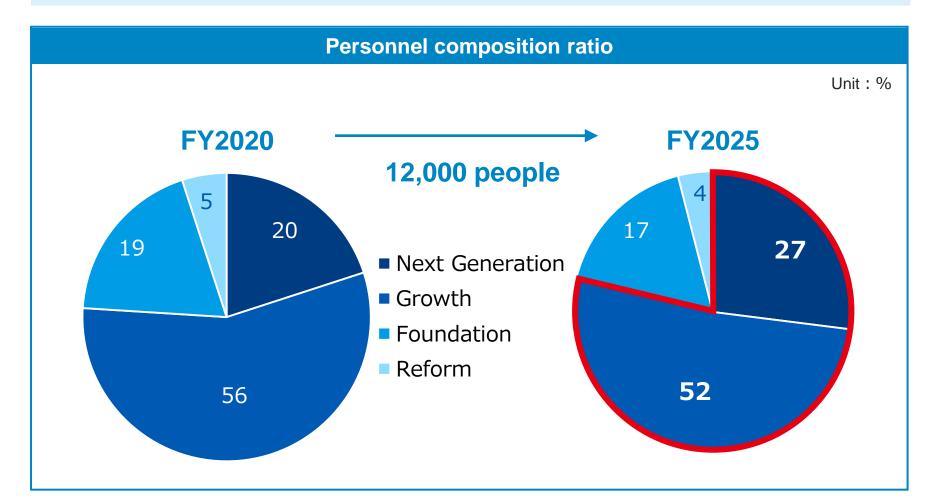
Personnel composition



Aiming for the world's highest level of productivity,

without increasing the number of personnel

Shift human resources to "Next-Generation" / "Growth" business



Issues and needs from the perspective of social trends

Social Economic Situation



Environment



Realization of sustainable society/strengthening of regulations



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Changes in consumption behavior (subdivision of needs)

- Enhancement of healthy life expectancy
- Well-aging
- Provision of high-quality medical care
- Provision of nursing-care service
- Correspondence to infections
- Easing of traffic congestion
- The widespread adoption of new mobility-supporting systems
- · Eradication of road traffic accidents
- Improvement of educational environment in developing countries
- Enhancement of continuing education

- Provision of safe food
- Industrialization of agriculture
- Efficient food production
- Securing food supply
- Reduction/utilization of waste
- Securing safe water



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Evolution of Evolution of digital technology energy technology (IoT/AI, etc.) (next-generation batteries, etc.)

- Provision of safe evacuation
- Prompt rescue of disaster victims
- Strengthening of disaster prevention power
- Optimal distribution of goods
- Construction of strong infrastructure
- Formation of Circular Society
 - Improvement of air/soil/water quality
- Development of innovative energy production/conversion technology
- Utilization of unused resources
- Emission reduction of greenhouse effect gases (GHG)

Economic

growth

of developing

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Source: June 2020 long term vision presentation materials

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Four Domains and Market Focus

Domain	Health	Safety/Security	Convenience/Comfort (Smart)	Environment	
Market Focus	Cosmetics	Mobility Figure 1 Figure 1 Industry	Display	Water Processing	
	Medical Care		Sensing		

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- Unique bio-related organic synthesis technology
- Wide product line from super engineering plastics to general purpose resin

Strengths

- Cellulose technology and pyrotechnics developed from celluloid
- A system to utilize know-how with AI and IoT (DAICEL Production Innovation)



Initiatives to realize Cross Value Chain

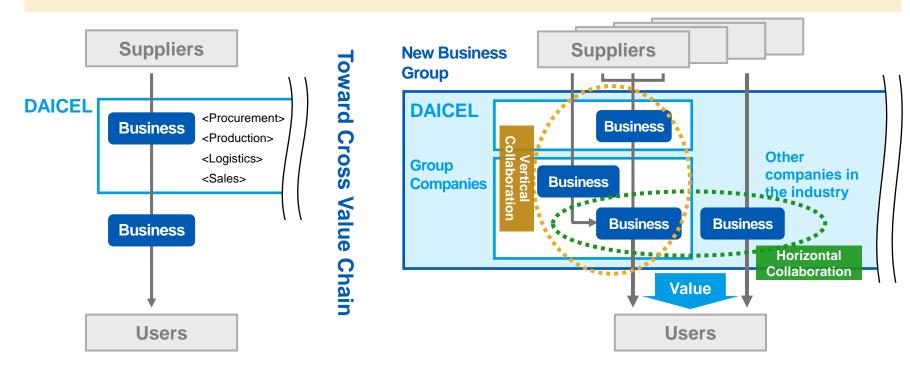
Collaboration of supply chains in vertical/horizontal directions (Cross Value Chain)

Realizing "a chain as one body," strengthening competitiveness in the market as a business group instead of as an individual company, we aim to continue providing more valuable goods for society

Focus of Mid-Term Strategy

With an eye towards creating the New Business Group, constructing digital architecture which can be flexibly rearranged responding to organization change

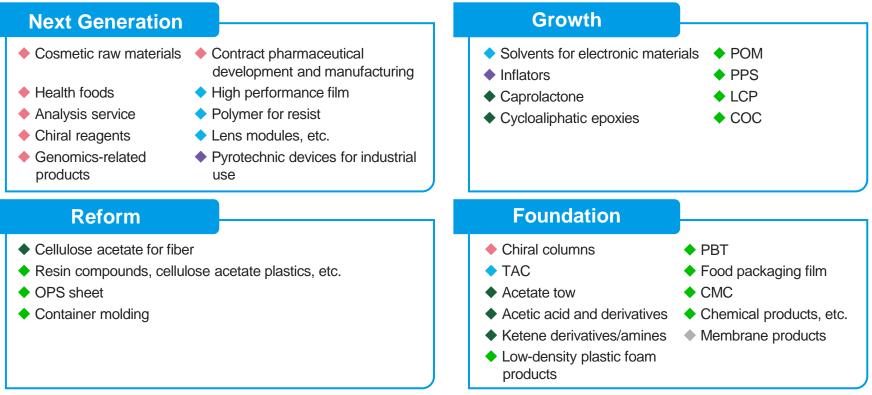
Formation of a virtual company through freely combining multiple business segments (Virtual Company) Within the Virtual Company, understanding PL and BS in real time, making asset light and strengthening earning power





Business Portfolio

- Shifting to value providing type business in the fields of "Health," "Safety and Security," "Convenience and Comfort" and "Environment"
- Consolidating conventional 68 business units to 33 business units



 Positioning based on industrial growth, competitive environment, sales growth and operating profit with additional analysis of elements such as business characteristics

Materials •

Safety

Engineering plastics

• Evaluating business using ROIC, sales growth ratio, etc.

Smart

Other



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