

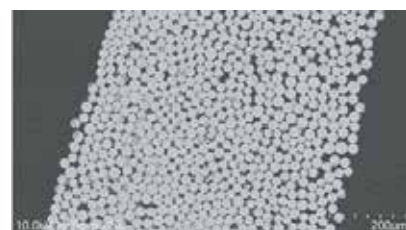


## Advanced Composites Portfolio Overview

Johns Manville, a leading manufacturer of glass fiber reinforcements, has developed an innovative process for producing **polyamide-6 (PA-6) composite sheets**. The new proprietary technology is based on **anionically polymerized PA 6** (AP nylon) and **fiber reinforcements** (glass fiber, carbon fiber or hybrids).

### Technology

JM's expertise in glass fiber manufacturing and in-depth understanding of fiber polymer interfaces in composites led to the development of a pioneering manufacturing technology to produce **fully impregnated PA-6 composite sheets**.



Fully impregnated Neomera® PA-6 Organosheet

The proprietary technology, covered by multiple U.S. and foreign patents, is versatile in terms of reinforcing materials and can be used to **impregnate glass, carbon, aramid, and hybrid reinforcements**. It enables the control of fiber content in composites and offers design flexibility for specific applications by incorporating the desired fiber orientations into fabrics with various weaving architecture. Neomera® PA-6 composite sheets are **produced in a continuous process** through the impregnation of fiber reinforcements with low viscosity caprolactam monomer, followed by the in situ anionic polymerization of caprolactam to form the thermoplastic polyamide matrix.

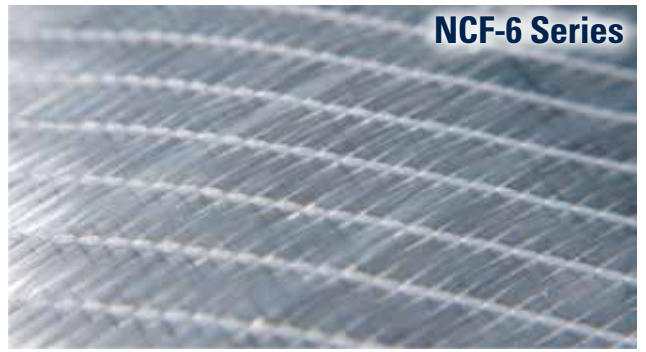
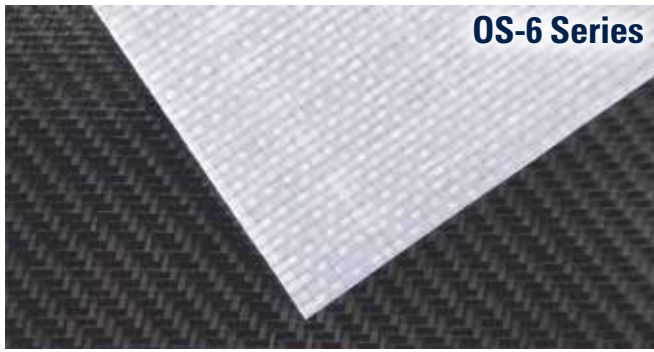
### Neomera® PA-6 Composites Portfolio and Advantages

- ▲ **OS-6 Series:** PA-6 organosheets based on continuous, woven fabrics
- ▲ **NCF-6 Series:** PA-6 composite sheets based on continuous, non-crimp fabrics

JM Neomera® PA-6 composite sheets are manufactured continuously at different thicknesses up to 3 mm through impregnation and in situ polymerization of caprolactam, a very low viscosity monomer. This leads to:

- ▲ favourable cost position
- ▲ complete impregnation of reinforcing fibers
- ▲ high molecular weight PA-6 resulting from anionic polymerization of caprolactam
- ▲ low LCA value of < 6.8 GWP
- ▲ no thermal degradation
- ▲ high impact strength

	OS- 6 SERIES	NCF- 6 SERIES
<b>Resin</b>	PA-6	PA-6
<b>Fibers*</b>	continuous, woven	continuous, non-crimp
<b>Strength</b>	•••	••••
<b>Stiffness</b>	••••	••••
<b>Impact Resistance</b>	••••	••••
<b>Formability</b>	••	•••



## Applications and Processing

The Neomera® PA-6 composite sheets are ideal for applications requiring:

- ▲ light weighting
- ▲ part integration
- ▲ design flexibility
- ▲ high volume composite manufacturing
- ▲ short cycle time
- ▲ recyclability



OS-6 and NCF-6 Series products are ideal for hybrid molding processes such as injection and compression overmolding.



### Underbody Shield

Material: Neomera® OS-6 Organosheet

Project Partner: National Research Council Canada (STAMP Composites industrial R&D group)

Process: Stamping

Challenge: Complex shape

Benefits: Light weighting

Weight comparison (to standard metal part): 50% weight saving

## Samples

Johns Manville's Composites in the OS-6 and NCF-6 Series are semi-finished sheets. Samples, including cut to-shape sheets, are available on request. Depending on fabric configuration, wider sheets (up to 1.6 meter) are available.

## About Johns Manville

Johns Manville, a Berkshire Hathaway company (NYSE: BRK.A, BRK.B), is a leading manufacturer and marketer of premium-quality building and specialty products. In business since 1858, the Denver-based company has annual sales of \$4 billion and holds leadership positions in all the key markets that it serves. Johns Manville employs 8,000 people and operates 44 manufacturing facilities in North America and Europe.

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