# News Release

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## BASF PolyTHF® technology now available for licensing

- **BASF is licensing its advanced PolyTHF 1800 production technology to clients and partners**
- **Drives growth and unlocks value for both clients and BASF**

BASF will start offering state-of-the-art polytetrahydrofuran (PolyTHF®) 1800 production technology licenses to clients and partners. BASF is one of the leaders in the technology development of PolyTHF, with three PolyTHF production assets globally: Caojing, China; Ludwigshafen, Germany; and Geismar, the United States.

Franky Ruslim, Vice President of Global Technology, Intermediates BASF, said, “In today’s highly competitive world, innovation is no longer an option but a necessity. By licensing our proprietary PolyTHF 1800 technology, we aim to drive new growth in industries such as textiles, reshape collaboration with partners, and unlock value for both our clients and BASF.”

Abhisek Chakrabarti, Director of Strategy, Projects and Licensing, Intermediates Asia Pacific, BASF, said, “Licensing our established technologies presents an attractive value proposition to our clients and partners in the market. It gives them access to innovation, lowers research and development costs, and accelerates time-to-market, enabling quick wins.”

PolyTHF is an essential starting material for elastic spandex and elastane fibers, used in a wide range of textiles, including swimwear, sportswear, underwear, shirts and stretch jeans. The elastic fibers ensure wearing comfort in the long run, and

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they are resistant to moisture and microbes. PolyTHF® is a registered trademark of BASF.

More about BASF Intermediates' technology licensing:
https://chemicals.basf.com/global/en/Intermediates/Industry-Solutions/technology-licensing

**About BASF Intermediates**

BASF's Intermediates division is a global leader in the development, manufacture and marketing of chemical intermediates and we aim to become the preferred partner for sustainable intermediates for our customers. With more than 600 products in our portfolio, including amines, diols, polyalcohols, acids and specialties, we offer innovative solutions for a wide range of industries, from coatings and plastics to pharmaceuticals and crop protection. Our intermediates can improve the properties of end products and increase the efficiency of production processes. With our focus on CO2 management, recycled and bio/renewable products, we offer our customers solutions and products which support them in achieving their sustainability goals. As an ISO 9001 certified division, we operate a global network of production sites in Europe, Asia and North America.

**About BASF**

At BASF, we create chemistry for a sustainable future. Our ambition: We want to be the preferred chemical company to enable our customers' green transformation. We combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. Around 112,000 employees in the BASF Group contribute to the success of our customers in nearly all sectors and almost every country in the world. Our portfolio comprises, as core businesses, the segments Chemicals, Materials, Industrial Solutions, and Nutrition & Care; our standalone businesses are bundled in the segments Surface Technologies and Agricultural Solutions. BASF generated sales of €65.3 billion in 2024. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchange in Frankfurt (BAS) and as American Depositary Receipts (BASFY) in the United States. Further information at www.basf.com.