



## Angst+Pfister Group

**How to improve comfort of Stage V tractors thanks to ‘ultra high-performance elastomeric materials’ with optimized mounts design?**

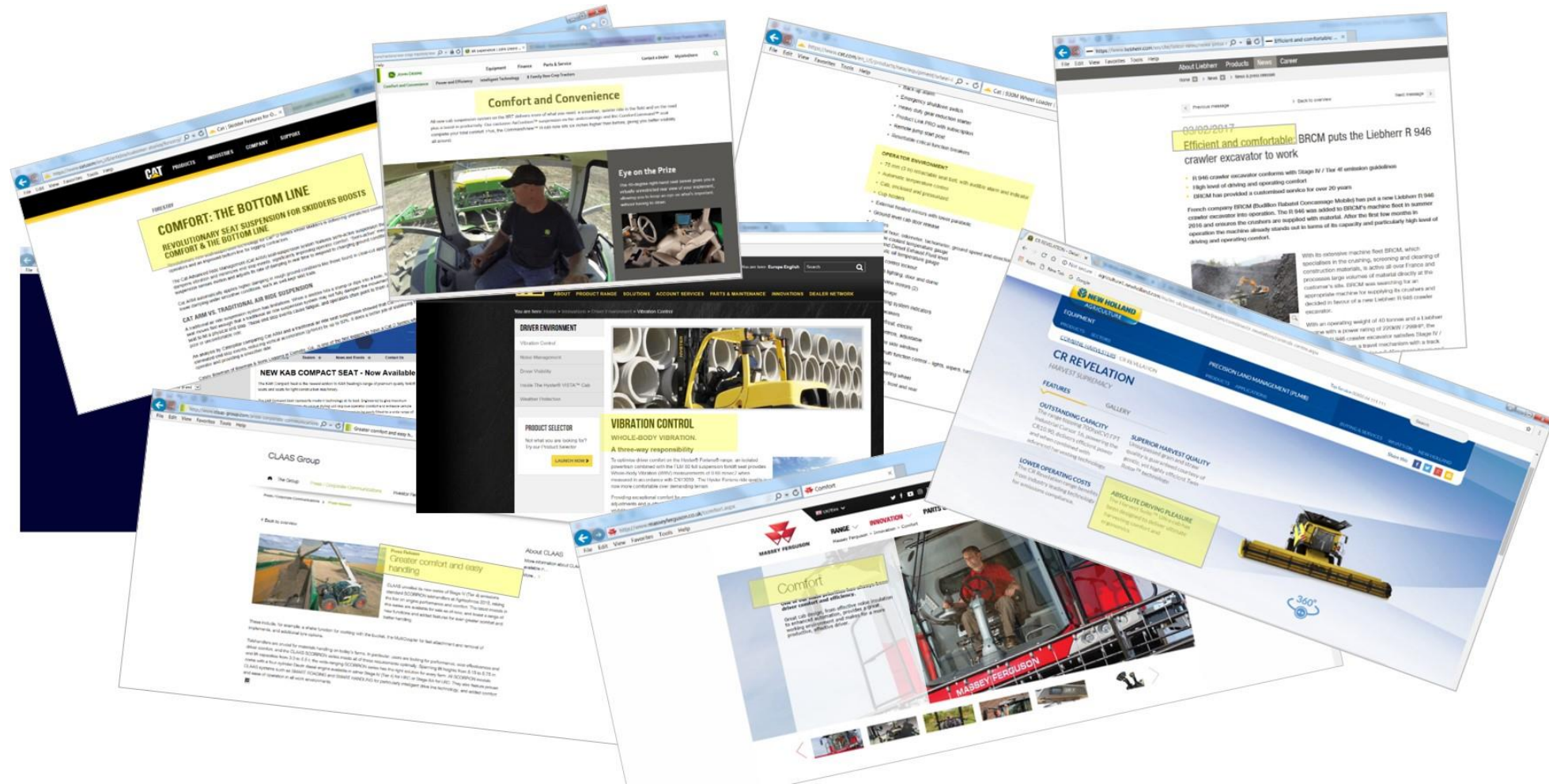
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# Agenda



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- Customized engineering solutions
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# Comfort increases productivity & protects user health





## Comfort increases productivity & protects user health

1960's	Comfort features	Today
	✓ Seat	✓
	Seat suspension	✓
	Heating & Air conditioning	✓
	Ergonomic layout	✓
	Isolated powertrain	✓
	Noise insulation	✓
	Tilt & telescopic steering wheel	✓
	Cup holders, lunchbox storage, cab lightning, radio speakers, touchscreen controls, etc....	✓
		

- In a purely utilitarian type of vehicle, not only technical aspects such as powertrain, transmissions, load & traction capabilities have evolved. **Comfort has made a quantum leap**

### Because comfort means:

- **Productivity:** If the operator suffers from fatigue after the vehicle will stand idle
- **User Health:** Exposure to intensive and especially vertical vibrations can over the years lead to work-related illness

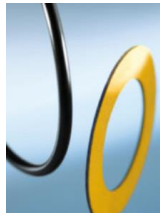
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# Angst+Pfister in a Nut Shell

Angst+Pfister Group, a leading **international technical manufacturer** and service provider for **high-end industrial components**

				
<b>Engineering Services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Virtual design</li><li>• TCO studies</li><li>• Define norms &amp; specifications</li></ul>	<b>Fast Prototyping</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Customizations</li><li>• Pre-series tests</li><li>• Complete quality certificates</li></ul>	<b>Global Production Platform</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Top producers, high flexibility</li><li>• Best price/quality countries</li></ul>	<b>Supply Chain Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• OTD reporting</li><li>• JIT/Kanban</li><li>• Frame contracts/rolling planning</li></ul>	<b>After Market Service</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Global support</li><li>• Spare parts</li><li>• Field service engineers</li></ul>

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APSOdrive®



APSOvib®



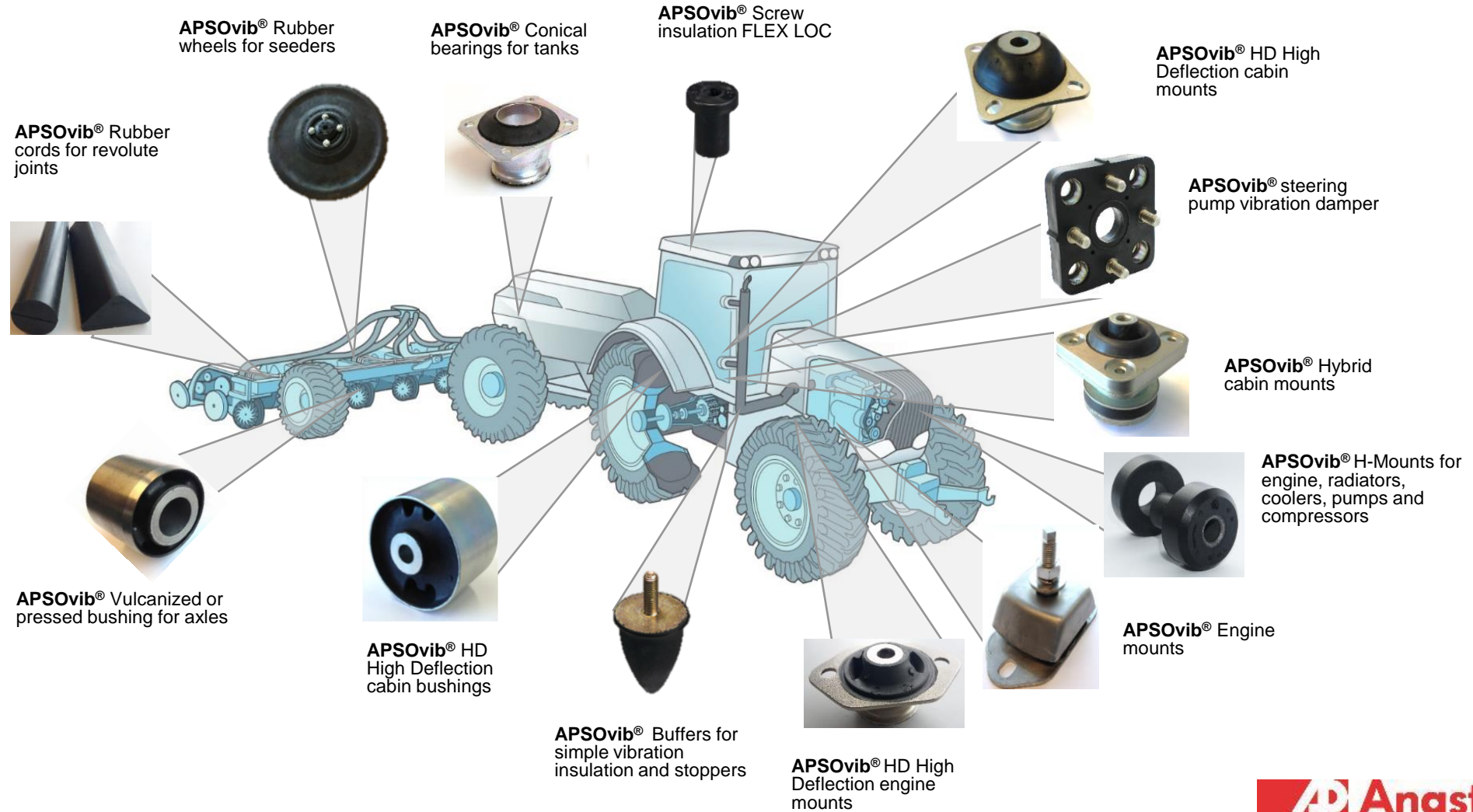
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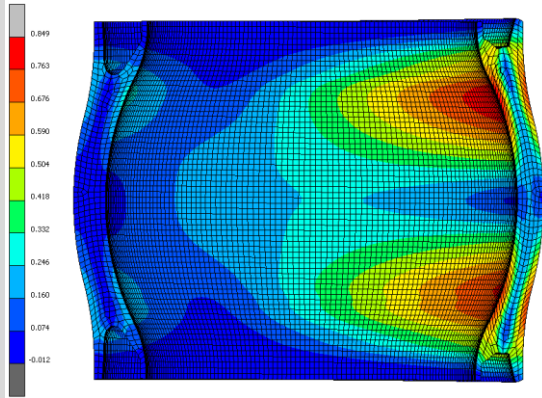


# Specific Skills in Antivibration Technology



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# Customized Engineering Solutions

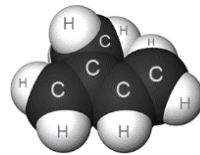
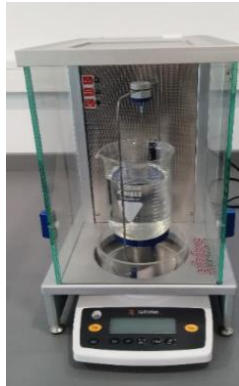


## Customized Engineering Solutions

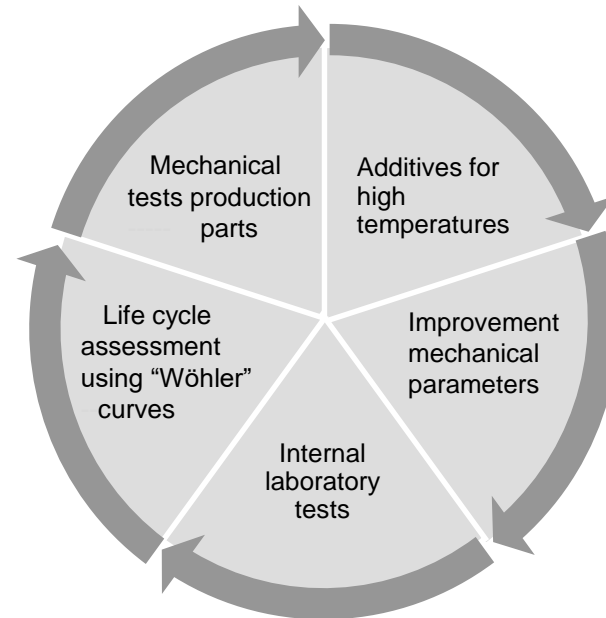
- Our engineers include **specialized product application experts**
  - Our depth of knowledge in both **materials and production processes**
  - Our virtual design, **finite element analysis** and endurance testing
  - Our ability to provide **innovative solutions** produced internationally
- = Accelerating the time-to-money and reducing total cost of ownership**

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# Competences in Development of Ultra High-Performance Elastomeric Materials

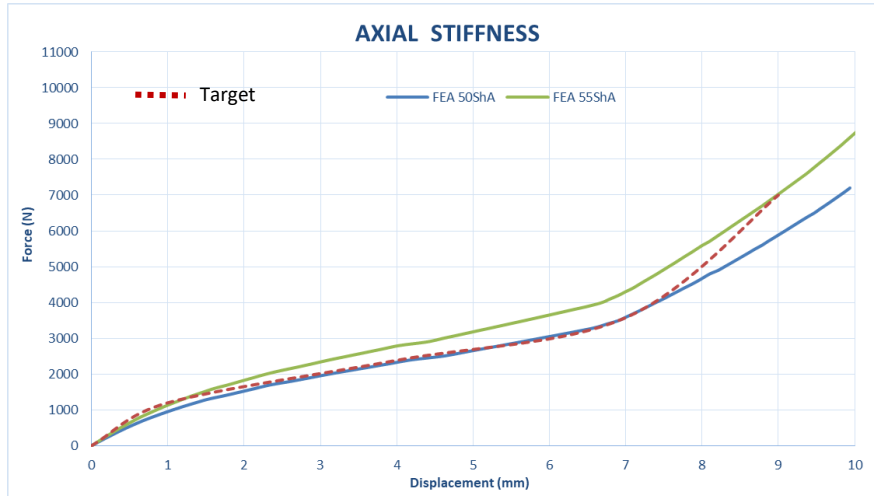
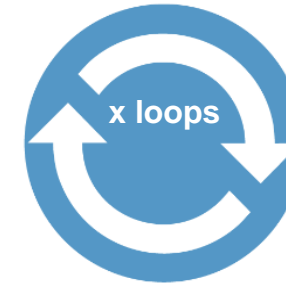


- Halogen-based substances
- Phosphorus-based substances
- Minerals
- Blended polymers
- Special synergistic additives



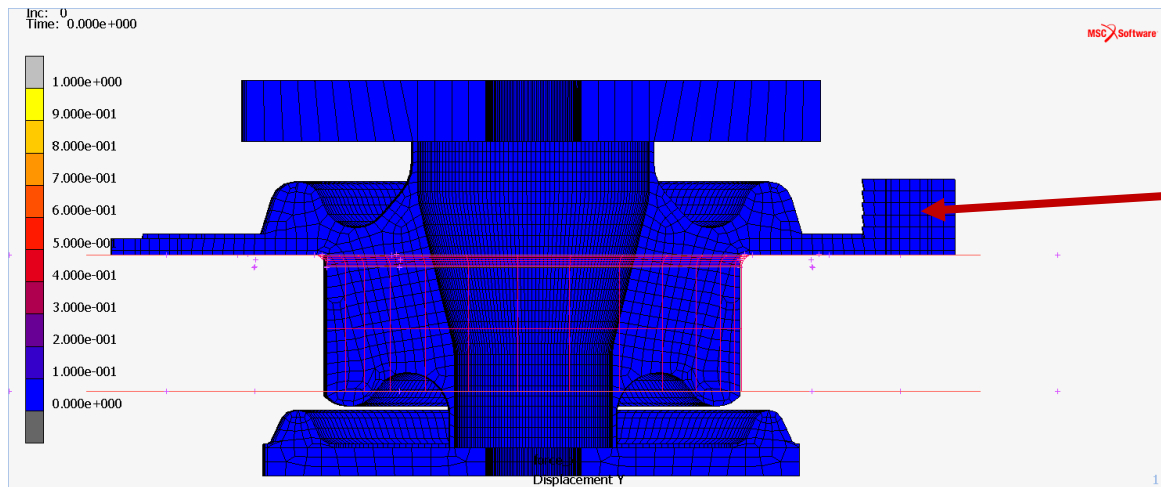


# Design Optimization



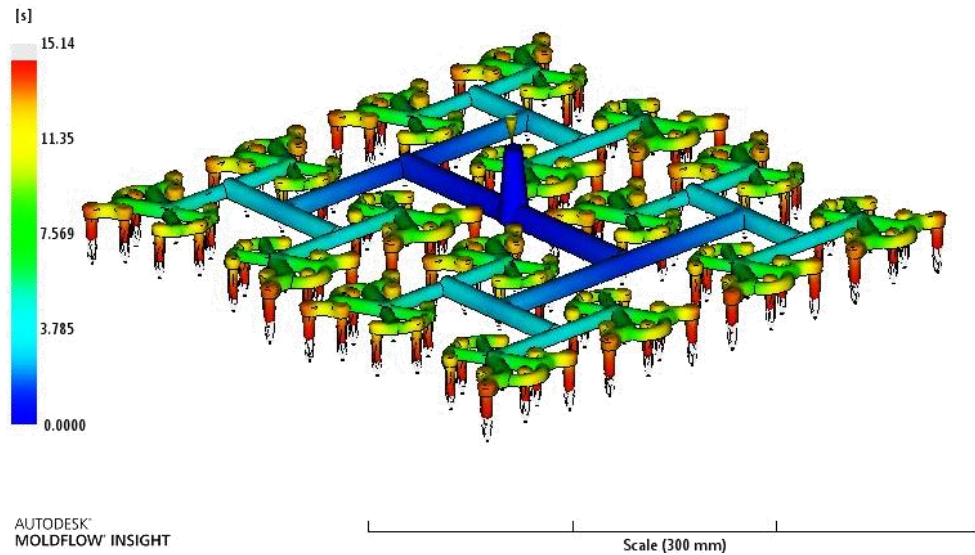
## FEM Finite Element Method

- Static stiffness calculation
- Dynamic stiffness calculation: stiffness in the required frequency range
- Stress / Strain distribution
- Time dependent analysis: creep & stress relaxation



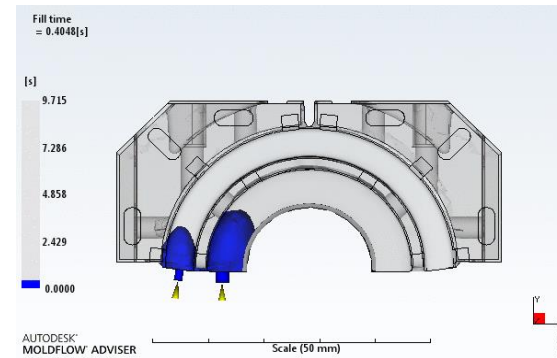
# Rubber Injection Process

## Mold flow

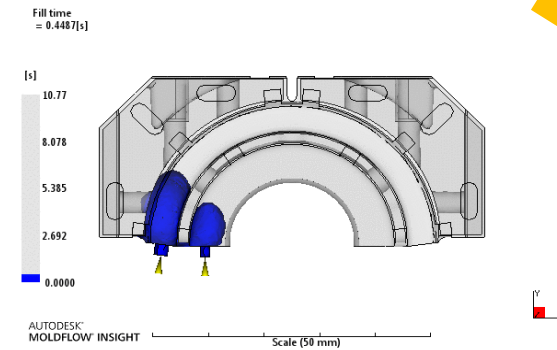


After the development of the rubber compounds, the vulcanization process is essential to ensure **the consistent quality of the finished product!**

## Current Design












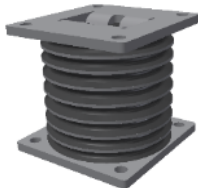


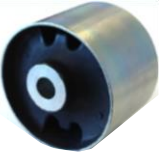



## Improved Design



Optimized injection size for uniform fill in outer and inner rubber layers

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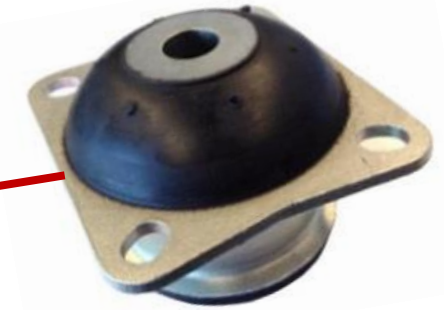
# Overall equipment effectiveness at Angst+Pfister Advanced Technical Solutions

Compounding	Metal preparation	Tool making	Tool maintenance	Vulcanization: Molding	Vulcanization: Injection	Multi axis test bench	Quality inspection
							
							

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# Challenges for Massey Ferguson tractors with stage V engines

## Cab mounts for Massey Ferguson tractors 7719 S



### Challenges

- Insulation of the cab from engine vibrations and shocks due to off-road driving, improvement of interior comfort to reach a noise level **< 68 dB**
- **Operating temperatures up to 110°C**, front supports are close to exhaust gas treatment
- **No compromise on lifetime**, must meet AGCO's requirements
- Solution must remain at an **acceptable price**
- Fully **interchangeable** with the previous version but with different **color marking**



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# Influence of Stage V Engines on Cab Mounts

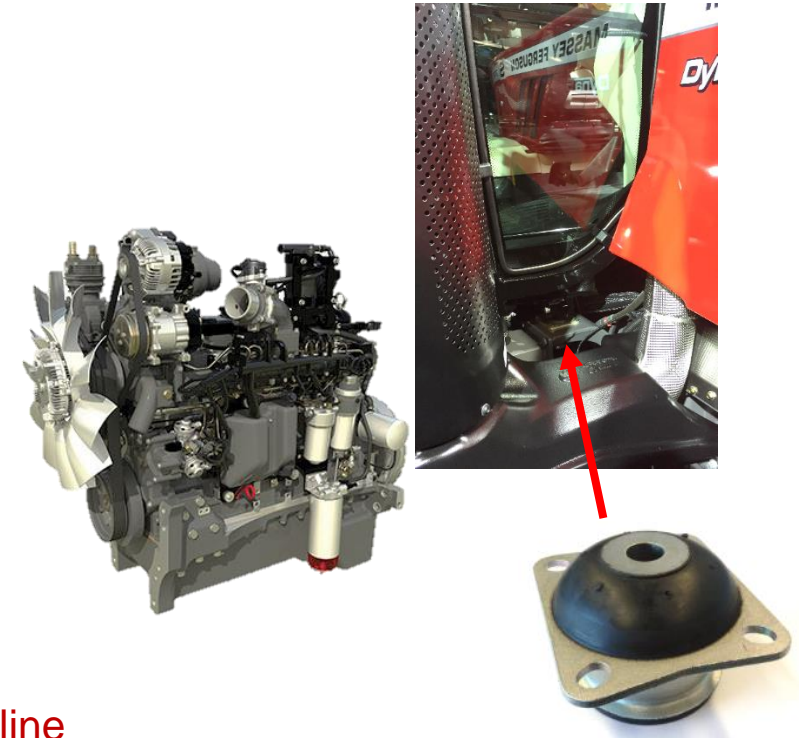
## What is “Stage V”?

- Emission standard for non-road mobile machinery

## What does that mean?

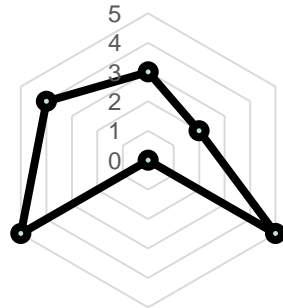
- To comply with the emission regulation Stage V, all engines are equipped with exhaust gas after treatment systems **which generates a significant increase in temperature**
- This is particularly critical with tractors because this system **is located between the engines and the cabs**
- Standard cab supports can no longer meet these thermal requirements with such high mechanical loads, which is why we have developed a new **ultra high-performance elastomeric material**

Massey Ferguson developed a maintenance free All-In-One system that is **in line with the latest engine regulation Stage V**. It uses a combination of an SCR (Selective Catalytic Reduction) and SC (Soot Catalyst) and both are operating without any need of DPF (Diesel Particulate Filter) or active regeneration.

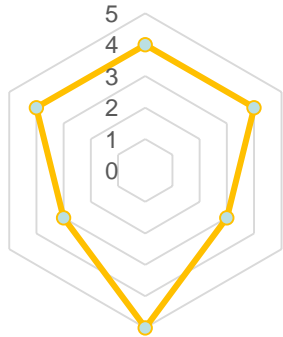


# Key Requirements for the Development of such Ultra High-Performance Elastomeric Materials

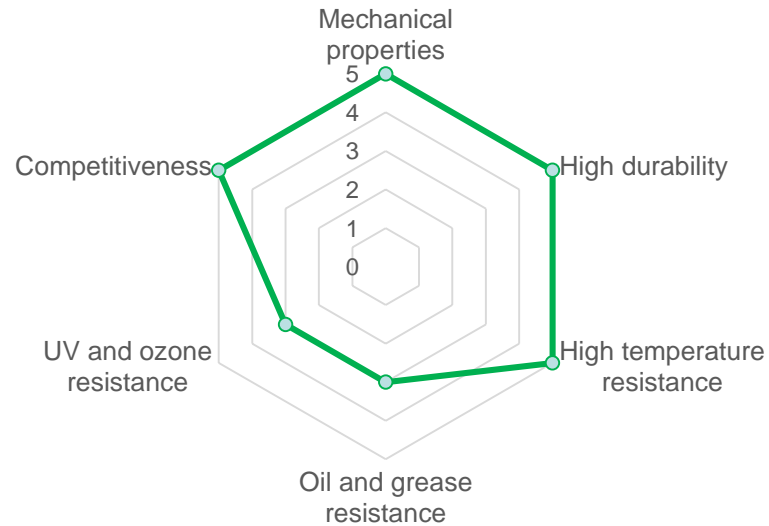
EPDM Ethylene Propylene Diene rubber



NBR Acrylonitrile Butadiene rubber



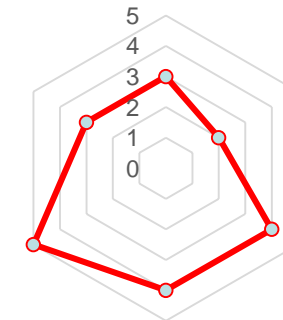
## Ultra high-performance elastomeric materials



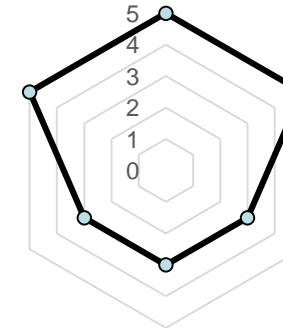
### Key requirements to meet AGCO expectations:

- Excellent mechanical properties
- High durability
- High temperature resistance




CR Chloroprene rubber



NR Natural rubber



## Typical Cab Mount Solutions

Type	APSOvib® HD Conical bearings	APSOvib® 2- Stage cab mounts	APSOvib® Hybrid mount
			
<b>Advantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Different X, Y &amp; Z stiffness</li> <li>• Continuous stiffness progression</li> <li>• Long lifetime due to conic shape</li> <li>• Standard article</li> <li>• Easy to assemble</li> <li>• Simple part identification with markings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specific bump stop feature for reduced cabin movement</li> <li>• Simple design</li> <li>• Easy to assemble</li> <li>• Partially standard article*</li> <li>• Low &amp; linear vertical stiffness in the static range</li> <li>• Steel is mostly covered in rubber and protected from corrosion</li> </ul> <p>*Adjustments according the final cabin weight might be needed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High damping end stops</li> <li>• High impact energy absorption</li> <li>• Low damping in static range to improve vibration isolation</li> <li>• Design according customer requirements</li> </ul>
<b>Disadvantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No individually defined bump- stop</li> <li>• High cabin amplitudes can occur</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bump-stop is limited to the same compound as the whole part</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Different types of rubber require additional vulcanization steps</li> </ul>
<b>Unit Price</b>	***	**	****

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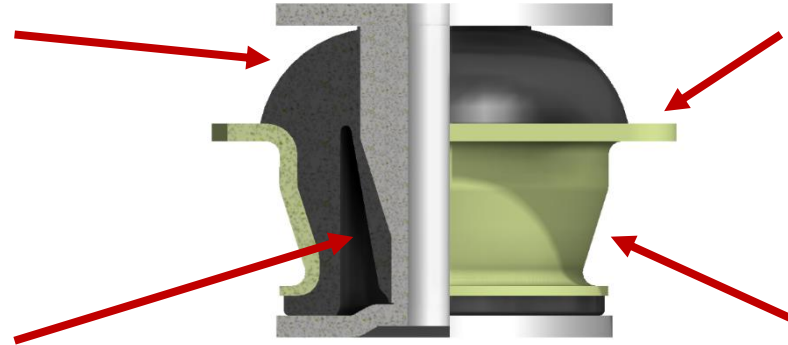
## Best Option with APSOvib® HD Conical Bearings

### Progressive Behavior

- Continuous increase in stiffness to protect from excessive deflections

### Axial and Radial Stiffness

- Different X, Y and Z stiffness for 'Type 1', asymmetric
- Low vertical stiffness to reduce engine vibrations
- Low lateral stiffness to increase overall isolation efficiency
- High longitudinal stiffness to avoid high amplitudes under braking or accelerating
- Similar X and Y stiffness for 'Type 2', symmetric



### Marking

- 'Easy to read' marking for identification
- Marking can be customized

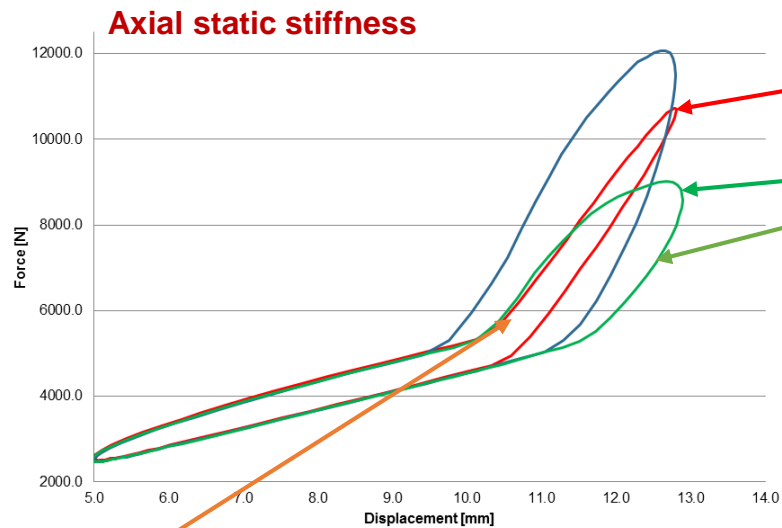
### Coating

- Zinc coating to protect from corrosion
- Optional Zinc-Nickel-coating for increased durability



# Specific Cab Mounts with Bump Stop feature for reduced Cabin Movement

## Mechanical characteristics - Static



## Working Range

- Typical static deflection at 5 mm
- The deflection at which the bump stop is in contact is defined by the position of the washer and the dimensions of the bump stop

## Behavior of the Bump Stop

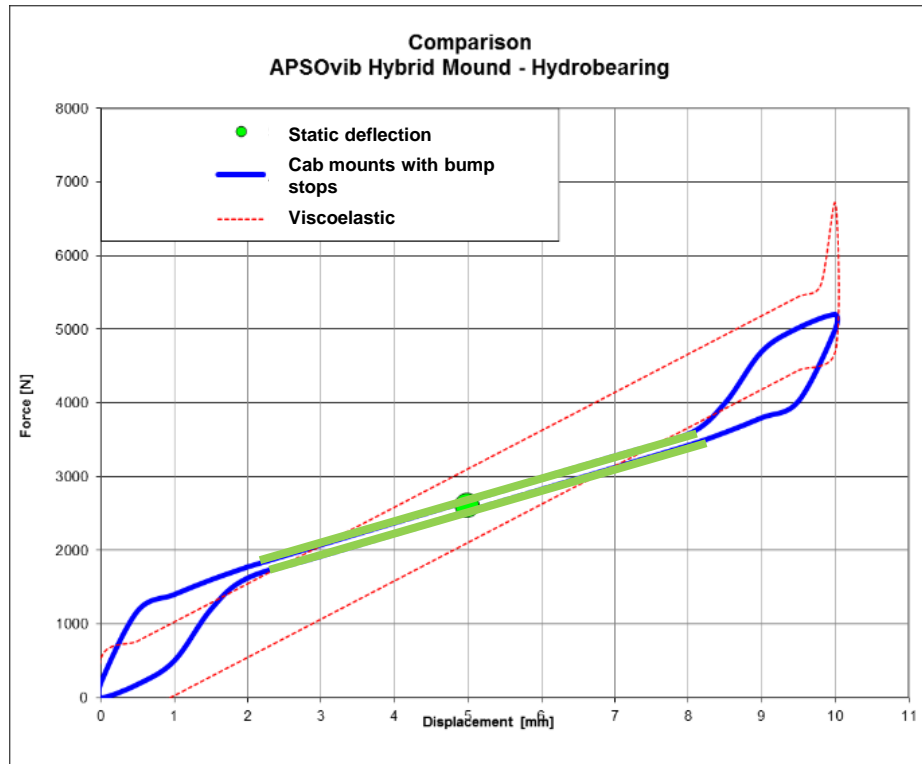
- Based on the selected rubber compounds, damping effect can be changed
- For the red curve, the same compound was used for the washer and for the main part
- The blue & green curve show a high damping rubber for ideal energy absorption
- **For ideal vibration isolation, the hysteresis should be low**  
**'Main part rubber compound'**
- **For ideal shock absorption, the damping should be high**  
**'Bump stop rubber compound'**



# Comparison between cab mounts with bump stops vs. viscoelastic

## Mechanical characteristics - Static

### Axial static stiffness



## Cab mounts with bump stop vs. viscoelastic

- The curves show the difference in static behavior of the cab mounts with bump stops vs. viscoelastic
- In the **static vibration range** (2600 N  $\pm$  0.5g) the hysteresis is much lower for the **cab mounts with bump stop**
- The isolation efficiency above the resonance frequency is improved without viscoelastic damping
- After 8 mm of deflection, the hysteresis is greatly increased to absorb more energy

**The cab mounts with bump stops are designed with a low hysteresis in the working range for ideal vibration isolation. The bump stops with their high damping characteristics help to absorb the energy of shock impacts without influencing the static working range!**

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Questions?

