Zschimmer & Schwarz

# LUBRICANTS

leXolube synthetic esters





### **Zschimmer & Schwarz today**

- HQ in Lahnstein, Germany
- Global manufacturer of tailor made chemical solutions
- 9 product divisions
- ► 16 countries, 30 subsidiaries
- more than 1,400 employees
- ► € 600 million (~\$700M) group revenue in 2020



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### **Business divisions**

- Lubricants
- ► Paints & Coatings
- Personal Care
- ► Industrial Specialities
- ► Fibre Auxiliaries
- ► Textile Auxiliaries
- ► Leather Auxiliaries
- ▶ Ceramic Auxiliaries
- ► Cleaning Specialities



# Fields of application for our products

- Hydraulic fluids
- Oven chain oils
- Grease
- Compressor fluids
- Transformer oils
- Metalworking fluids
- Environmentally sensitive applications

- Engine oils
- Transmission fluids
- Gear oils
- Aviation turbine oils
- Drilling mud lubricants
- Food processing H1 **lubricants**









### **Lubricants division manufacturing**

ZS manufacturing Synthetic Esters in Milledgeville, GA since 2005

ZS manufacturing Synthetic Esters in Tricerro, Italy since 2016

► LEXOLUBE® line acquired from Inolex in January 2017

ZS Ivey, Georgia, USA Ester plant opened in 2019

LEXOLUBE <sup>®</sup> and LUBRICIT portfolio now manufactured in Italy and two sites in the USA

ZS also manufactures alkoxylate esters, phosphate esters, phosphonates, amides, and other auxiliary ingredients in multiple locations around the globe





### **New manufacturing site**

- ▶ Ivey, Georgia, USA
- Greenfield location near Atlanta, Georgia
- Built to manufacture advanced lubricant grade synthetic esters
- Multiple reactors support our broad Synthetic Ester product line and commitment to tailor-made products
- Modular design to integrate additional capacity quickly
- Commissioned in January 2019





## Ivey manufacturing – QEC process

- Quality, Efficiency, Consistency
- Equipment designed for challenging, lubricant grade Synthetic Esters
- Accurate charging and temperature control for fast cycles
- Reduced losses in evaporation, filtration
- Less waste to process
- Significant efficiency improvement
- Automated process control leads to lower product variability





# **Z&S Italiana – Tricerro Technologies**

- Sulfation
- Sulfonation
- Amidation
- Quaternarization
- Compounding & Blending
- Esterification
  - New production line built in 2016
  - Dedicated vessels for finishing/refining
  - On-line process control testing









## Manufacturing synthetic esters to optimize performance

- QUALITY RAW MATERIALS
  - Food safety standards
    - Select products are also Kosher/Halal
  - Color, odor, viscosity, etc.
- ACCURATE REACTOR CHARGING
  - Efficient use of raw materials
  - Short cycle times
  - Viscosity control
  - Product consistency

- ESTERIFICATION KNOW-HOW
  - Low acid value
  - Low water content
  - Tight specifications
  - Filtration
- FORMULATED FLUIDS
  - Blending
  - Additive treatment
  - Drumming and Private labelling



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### **Product overview**

Synthetic Esters (LEXOLUBE ®, LUBRICIT ®)

- PEG/PPG Esters (MULSIFAN ®)
- Phosphate Esters (PHOSPHETAL™)
- Phosphonates (CUBLEN®)
- ► Amides (PURTON ®)





### **Performance characteristics**

- SYNTHETIC ESTER BASE OILS
  - Boundary lubrication
  - Thermal and oxidative stability
  - Low volatility/high flash point
  - Wide temperature performance
  - Low sludge or deposit formation
  - Energy efficient
  - Biodegradable
  - Environmentally and worker friendly

- ALKOXYLATE ESTERS (PEG/PPG)
  - Non-ionic emulsifiers
  - Hard water stable
  - Boundary lubrication
- PHOSPHATE ESTERS & AMIDES
  - Emulsifier/Co-emulsifiers
  - Corrosion inhibitors
  - Non-staining

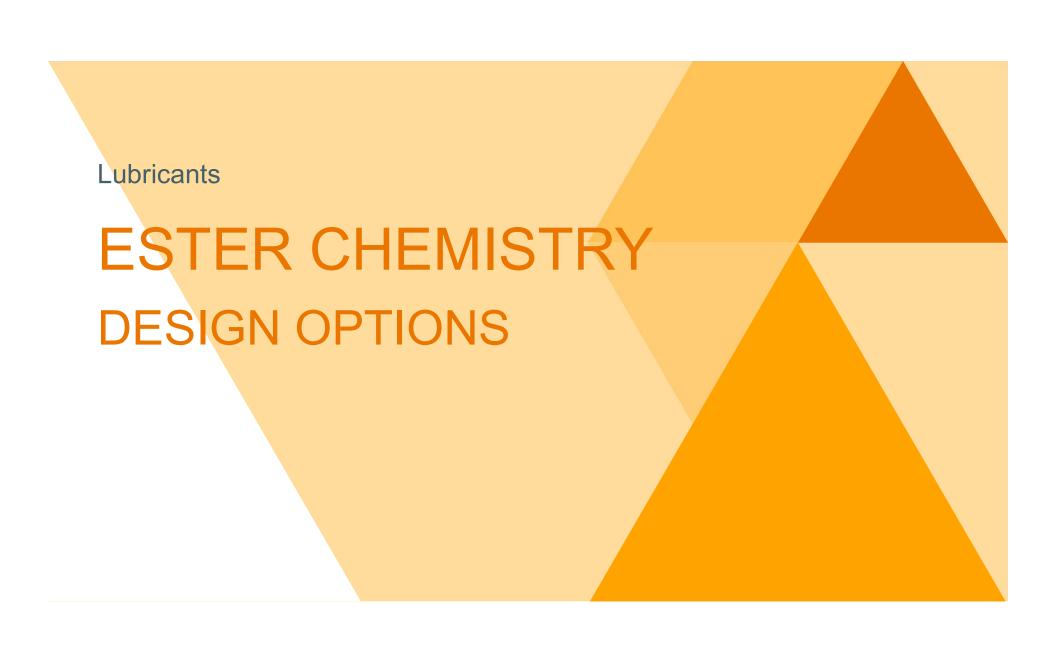


### **Synthetic ester summary**

- Z&S esters are tailor-made to meet the requirements of the formulator
- Multi-functional performance
  - Lubricity
  - Extreme temperature performance
  - Extended drain intervals
  - Clean operation
  - Low volatility
  - High VI for fluid energy efficiency

- Used in automotive and industrial lubricant formulations that outperform mineral oil products
- Excellent environmental safety and toxicological profile
- Incidental food contact (NSF HX-1) grades available





## **Lubricant Synthetic Ester types**

- Mono Esters
- Diesters
- Polyol Esters
- Complex Esters
- Aromatic Esters
- ► Food Grade (NSF H1) Formulated Fluids
- ► Food Grade (NSF HX-1) Base Stocks and Additives





#### **Monoesters**

- Typically made from natural fatty acids and mono-alcohols
- ► 60-90% renewable
- Low viscosity
- Excellent lubricity
- Low odor and color
- Environmentally and worker friendly
- Can be designed for excellent hydrolytic stability
- Biodegradable



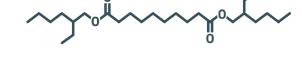


#### ► FIELDS OF APPLICATION

- Metalworking
- Textile lubricants
- Aerosol products
- Adjuvants
- Oil field drilling mud
- Biobased lubricants
- HX1 grades available

### **Diesters**

- Typically made from dibasic acid and mono-alcohol
- Not usually bio-based
- Low to medium viscosity
- Excellent lubricity
- Very low pour point
- Excellent oxidative stability
- Low odor and color
- Biodegradable



#### ► FIELDS OF APPLICATION

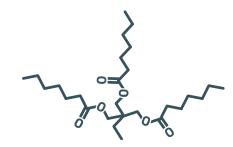
- Engine oils
- Compressor oils
- Hydraulic fluids
- Gear oils
- Grease
- Bearings
- Seal swell additives



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## **Polyol esters**

- Made from neo-polyol and mono-acid
- Can be bio-based
- Low to high viscosity
- Low volatility / High flash point
- Low pour point
- Long drain intervals
- Outstanding oxidative stability
- Can be biodegradable



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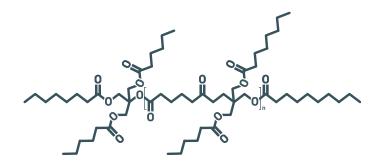
- Compressor oils
- Fire resistant hydraulic fluids
- Oven chain oils
- Aviation turbine engine oils
- Gear oils
- Engine oils
- Grease
- HX-1 products available



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## **Complex esters**

- Capped polymeric ester
- Can be bio-based
- Very high viscosity possible
- Low volatility/High flash point
- High viscosity index
- Antiwear/Extreme pressure
- Can be biodegradable



#### ► FIELDS OF APPLICATION

- Compressor oils
- Gear oils
- Grease
- Thickening
- Metal protection
- HX-1 products available

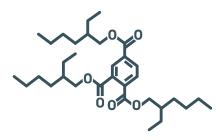


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### **Aromatic esters**

- Made from aromatic anhydrides and mono-alcohols
- Not bio-based
- High viscosity
- Low viscosity index
- Low volatility / High flash point
- Reduced varnish
- Stable against oxidation & hydrolysis
- Long fluid life





- ► FIELDS OF APPLICATION
  - Compressor oils
  - Gear oils
  - Grease
  - Oven chain lubricants
  - Plasticizers

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## **Synthetic Ester Design Considerations**

- Determine critical application performance requirements
  - Low cost Oleates, natural fatty acids, commodity raw materials
  - High viscosity Dipentaerythritol, complex esters
  - High viscosity index Linear structures, long chain fatty acids
  - Thermal stability Polyols, branched acids, fully saturated components
  - Biodegradability Natural fatty acids, less branching
  - Food contact Ingredients with detailed information on toxicity, NSF listed
- ▶ Build the ester from components that will give the desired properties



## Esters as base oil blend components reduce deposits and sludge

- BLENDS OF PAO AND POE
  - All fluids were ISO 68
  - Tested 20 hours at 260°C

- ► RESULTS
  - 6-7% evaporation for all samples
  - 5% POE significantly reduces deposits





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# **Hydraulic fluids**

- Synthetic Esters provide excellent thermal and oxidative stability
- Low sludge formation
- ► Fire resistance ("Less Hazardous" HFDU fluids)
- Low volatility
- Very low compressibility
- High VI provides improved energy efficiency
- ► Typical viscosity grades ISO 32, 46, 68
- Good lubricity





### Oven chain oils

- Synthetic Esters provide excellent thermal and oxidative stability
- ► Typical formulation (ISO 68-460)
  - 97% synthetic ester, 3% additives
- Polyol esters up to 275°C
  - Best oxidative stability, very clean, low varnish
- Aromatic esters up to 250°C
  - Higher evaporation, softer deposits

- ► Complex esters up to 225°C
  - Better lubricity and antiwear, low evaporation
- Water based and synthetic vegetable grades being developed





### Grease

- Synthetic Esters allow wide temperature range performance
- Typically requires non-soap thickener (urea, silica, etc.)
- Polyol esters: up to 240°C
  - Best oxidative stability, very clean, low varnish
- Arctic grease: down to -60°C
  - Low viscosity diester or polyol ester
- Bio-based esters: -20 to +175°C
  - Excellent lubricity
  - Recommended for environmentally sensitive areas





### **Compressor Oils**

- Synthetic Esters offer deposit control and long fluid life
- Excellent solubility/compatibility with HFC refrigerants
- POE used in combination with PAO or Group III MO
- Reciprocating and rotary vane compressors
  - Diesters and Aromatic esters for lubricity and solvency
- Rotary screw and centrifugal compressors
  - Polyol esters for oxidation stability
- ► NSF HX-1 Polyol esters
  - For compressors in food processing plants





# Synthetic electrical transformer oils

- High flash and fire point
- Good thermal stability for long life
- Low viscosity with low volatility
- Good dielectric properties
- Compliant with IEC 61099
- ► Environmentally friendly
- Bio-based esters offer improvement over vegetable oils and mineral oils





### **Automotive applications**

- Synthetic Esters have a long history of high performance in racing oils and premium synthetics
- Full synthetic oils typically utilize a combination of PAO and POE
- Diesters improve additive solubility
- Low viscosity trend (0W-20 and lower)
- ► Low NOACK volatility
- ► Clean, reduces sludge formation
- Long drain intervals





## **Environmentally acceptable lubricants (EAL)**

- Synthetic Esters are environmentally friendly
  - Marine
  - Mining
  - Forestry
  - Agriculture
  - Transformers
  - Wind turbines
- Performance is as good or better than petroleum oils

Most esters meet USA EPA Marine (VGP)
Vessel General Permit standards





 Many esters are renewable, sustainable, and have USDA BioPreferred status



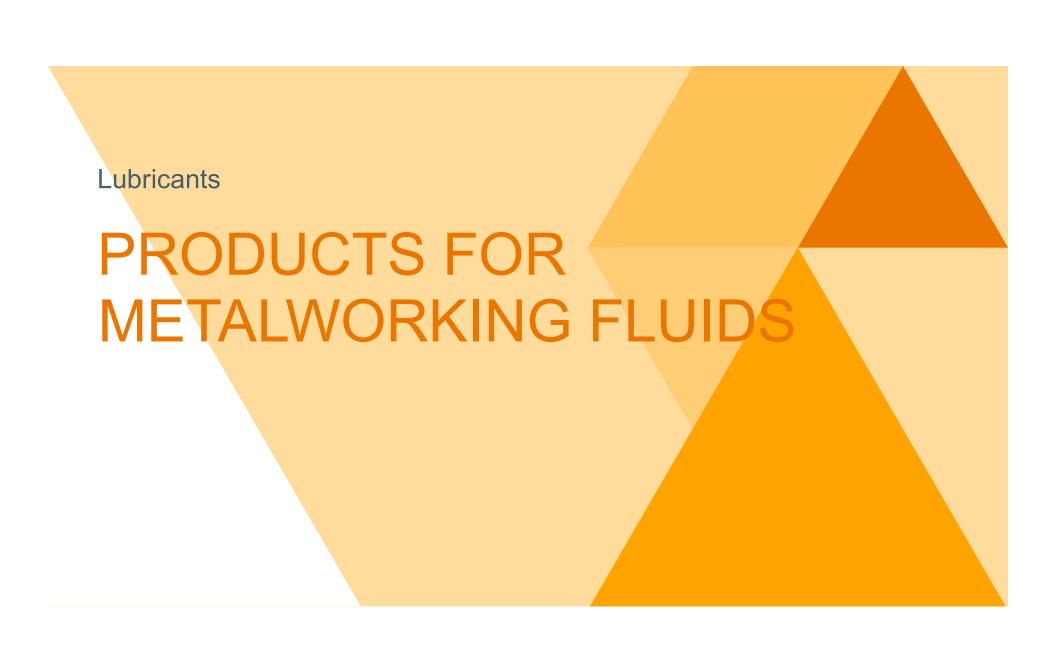


 Wide variety of synthetic esters on LuSC list achieve EU Ecolabel status





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### **Esters in metalworking fluids**

- SIMPLE ESTERS
  - Excellent lubricity
  - Non-toxic, Non-hazardous handling
  - Low color and odor
  - Biodegradable
- COMPLEX ESTERS
  - Boundary lubrication
  - Improves AW/EP

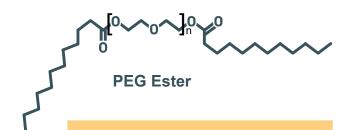
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- PHOSPHATE ESTERS
  - Emulsifier/Co-emulsifier
  - Corrosion inhibitor
  - Non-staining



### **MULSIFAN** series

- Esters of natural fatty acids and polyglycols
- Emulsifiers with HLB 6 to 14
  - Higher PEG increases HLB
  - Longer fatty acid decreases HLB
  - Diesters have lower HLB
- Couplers, dispersants, defoamers
- Good lubricity
- Non-toxic, Non-hazardous handling
- Low foam, hard water stable





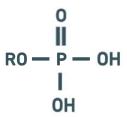
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  - Metalworking
  - Textile lubricants
  - Cosmetics
  - Oil field
  - Water treatment
  - Agricultural products

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## Phosphate esters (PHOSPHETAL)

- Monophosphoric acid esters of alcohols and alcohol ethoxylates
- Available as acid form or neutralized
- Corrosion inhibitors
- ► EP Enhancement
- Co-Emulsifiers
- Dispersing agents



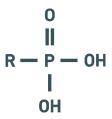
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- Lubricants
- Textile finishing
- Oil field
- Water treatment
- Cleaning products



### **Phosphonates (CUBLEN)**

- Organic carbon directly bonded to phosphorus
- Wide range of phosphonates available
- High stability in aqueous systems
- Outstanding metal chelation
- Effective at low concentrations
- Dispersion stabilizers
- Scale inhibitor



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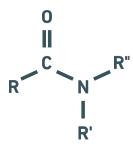
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# **Amides (PURTON)**

- Made from fatty acid + secondary amine
- Non-ionic emulsifier
- Corrosion inhibitor
- Antistatic additive
- ► High stability in aqueous systems
- Effective at low concentrations
- Dispersion stabilizers



#### ► FIELDS OF APPLICATION

- Metalworking
- Oil field
- Lubricants
- Personal Care
- Cleaning and Degreasing

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- Metal treatment
- Paints and Coatings



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