



Autodesk Revolutionizes Plastic Part Design With Technology Preview of New Inventor Plastic Features

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Technology Dramatically Increases Design Productivity by Making Complex Plastic Part Design Faster and Easier

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Aug. 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK), a world leader in design innovation technologies, announced the availability of the Autodesk Inventor Plastic Features Technology Preview on Autodesk Labs. This preview version of Autodesk Inventor software -- the foundation of the Autodesk solution for Digital Prototyping -- showcases exciting new technology that significantly simplifies the design of plastic products by allowing designers and engineers to automatically create thin-walled plastic parts and features such as grills, rests, bosses, snaps, lips, grooves and fillets.

In combination with Autodesk industrial design products and recently acquired PlassoTech advanced product simulation technology and Moldflow injection molding simulation technology, the Inventor Plastic Features Technology Preview further strengthens the Autodesk solution for Digital Prototyping in all markets where plastic parts are required.

"Plastics are one of the fastest-growing engineering materials, and Autodesk is committed to providing customers with scalable, attainable and cost effective Digital Prototyping solutions that help take their design productivity and innovation to new heights," said Robert "Buzz" Kross, senior vice president of Autodesk Manufacturing Solutions. "We encourage anyone involved in plastic design -- not just current Inventor users -- to try Inventor Plastic Features and experience the benefits for themselves."

For a limited time the Inventor Plastic Features Technology Preview is available for free* from Autodesk Labs. Please visit the Inventor Plastic Features Technology Preview page on Autodesk Labs for important information about country availability and product functionality.

About Autodesk Labs

Autodesk Labs hosts an online community for the collaborative development of new technology approaches to design. Autodesk Labs encourages the public to visit <http://labs.autodesk.com> and test-drive the variety of free tools available there. User comments, experience and insight help drive the future of Autodesk innovation.

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc., is the world leader in 2D and 3D design software for the manufacturing, construction, and media and entertainment markets. Since its introduction of AutoCAD software in 1982, Autodesk has developed the broadest portfolio of state-of-the-art Digital Prototyping solutions to help customers experience their ideas before they are built. Fortune 1000 companies rely on Autodesk for the tools to visualize, simulate and analyze real-world performance early in the design process to save time and money, enhance quality and foster innovation. For additional information about Autodesk, visit <http://www.autodesk.com>.

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