

PHARIO®

High-quality PHBV from municipal wastewater

from pilot to successful demo: welcome to new applications

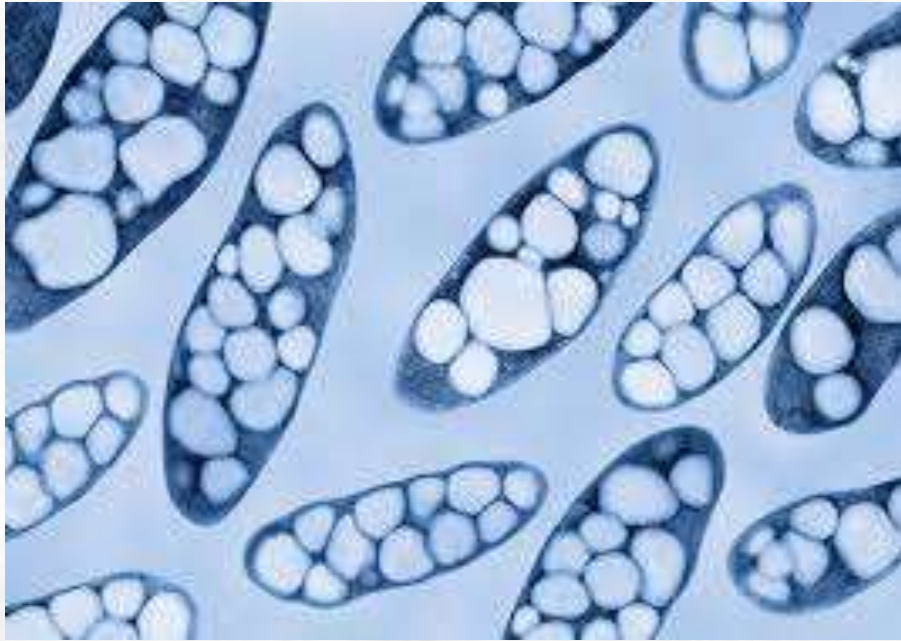
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Biodegradability PHA general



PHA is a unique polymer compared to other biopolymers:
It can degrade to CO₂ and H₂O (truly) by its nature

- In marine environment
- In soil environment
- In industrial composting
- In home composting
- Mechanically recyclable
- Anaerobic digestion (CH₄), or into new PHA

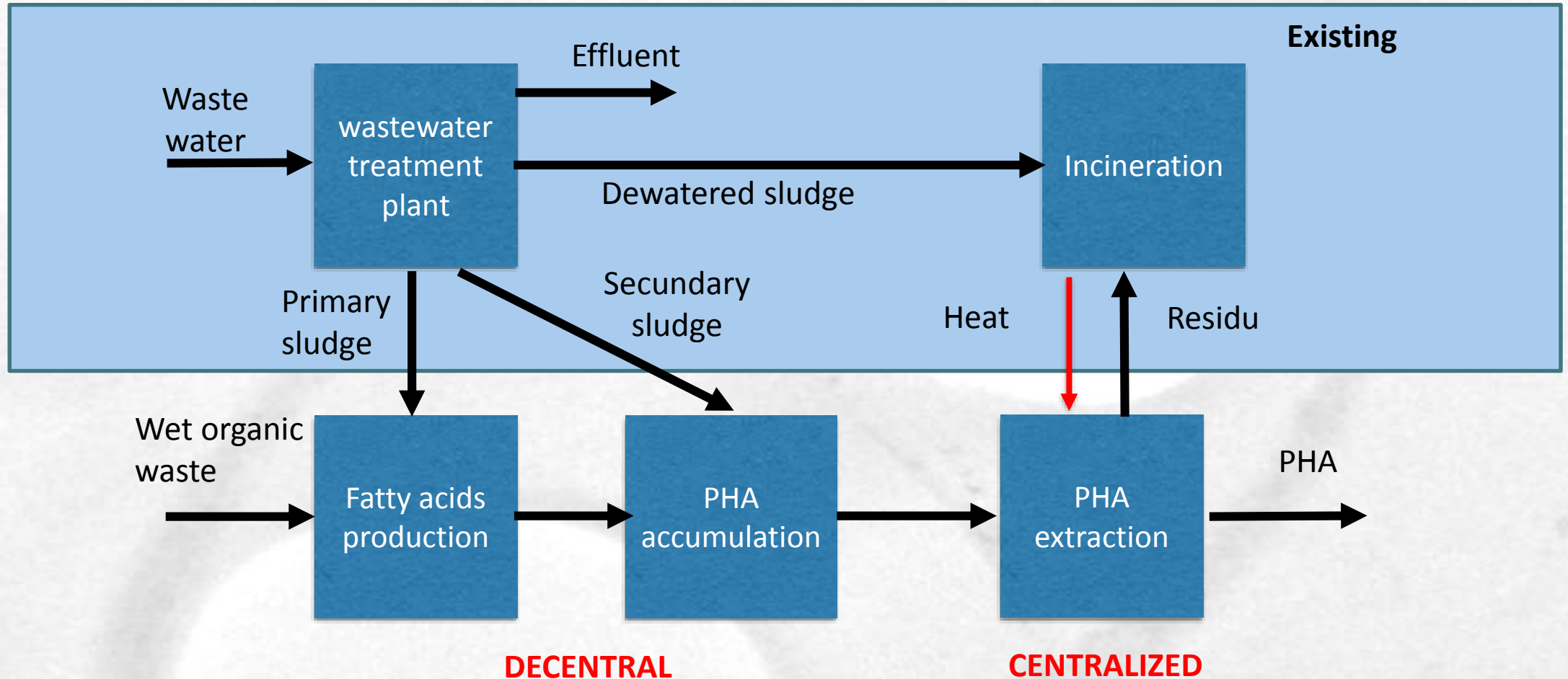
(will be tested to standards during PHARIO demo stage)



Overview of biobased plastics (thermoplastics)

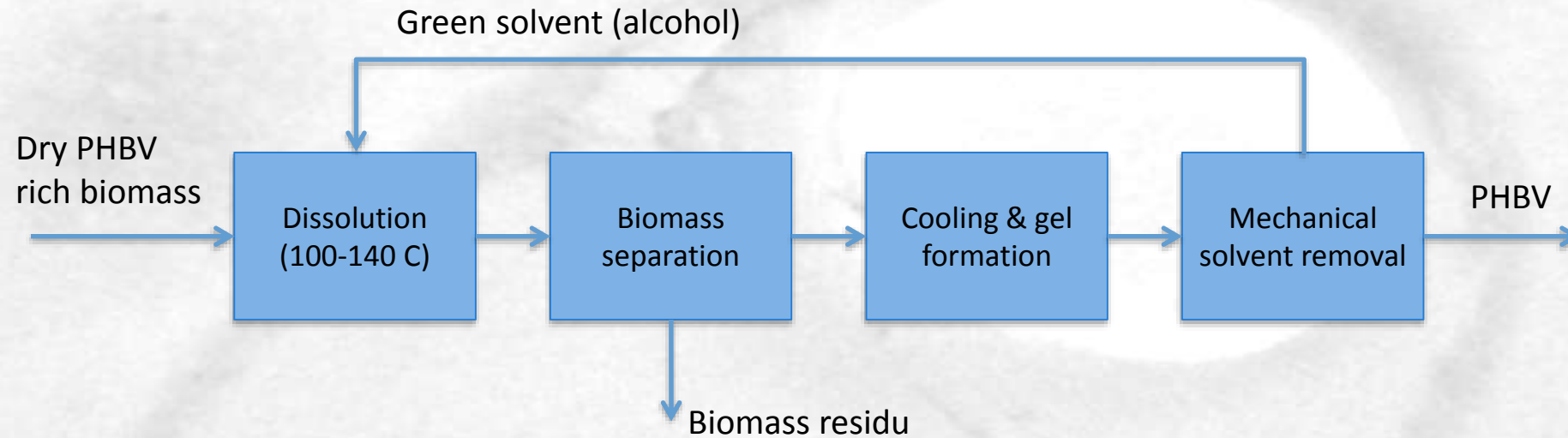
	Non-biodegradable	Biodegradable (in industrial composting installation)	Biodegradable (in water in nature)
On the market today	Bio-PE (drop-in) PA11, PA10.12, PA4.10	PLA (and PLA/PHA blends) PHA (and PHA/TPS blends)	PHA Regenerated cellulose
Under development (not on the market yet)	PEF Drop ins: Bio-PP, Bio-PVC, Bio-PET, Bio-PTT PBT PA6, PA6.10, PA66, PA12	Bio-PBS Cellulose Acetate PGA PLA/TPS blends Bio-PBS/TPS blends	

PHARIO[®]: a new value chain



- Municipal wastewater treatment “trains” bacteria for PHA production
- Added value by harvesting bacteria and use of organic residuals to make PHA bioplastic
- Extraction of the PHA rich biomass with green solvent
- Steerable and high quality PHA polymer

Unique solvent extraction



- **High purity and stable product from heterogenous waste**
- High and tuneable Mw
- Ability to homogeneously blend different HV batches

A scalable process

Pilot (10 month)

- **Biomass WWTP behaves consistent**
- **Feed quality determines PHA quality**
(so not the influent/biomass)
- **Consistent quality PHA possible**
(enough control options)
- **Quality PHARIO PHA: good and unique**

Scalability

- **In principle all WWTP's are suitable**
- **Commercial scale: 5000 ton PHA, 800.000 P.E.**
- **Potential Netherlands: 25.000 ton PHA (at least)**
- **Potential EU: 500.000 ton PHA**

Business case

Classic PHA

4-5 €/kg



- Large % of cost related to feed stock
- Volatility in feed costs
- Process relatively mature

PHARIO PHA®

2-3 €/kg

3-4 €/kg



- Feed stock is very cheap
- Long term, stable contracts for feed stock
- Costs based on extrapolation from pilot => much room for optimization

Value case:

- 70% lower than classic PHA production
- Potential to be a climate neutral plastic
- Tertiary feedstock: no food, no GMO

PHA2USE project 2019-2021

Demonstration PHA2USE

- PHA for Application development
- Technology upscaling

Two approaches:

- PHARIO® from sludge
- Paques/TU Delft rich culture

Investing partners



Research & Development



Dordrecht: wwtp & sludge incinerator

350 kg/day PHA rich biomass production



Pilot extraction facility

Extraction 100 kg batches for
key application partners

Let's demonstrate together

PHARIO PHBV capabilities

- Injection moulding, film extrusion: possible
- Other processing: in development
- Bio-degradability as a (controlled) and valued function or end-of-life: water, soil, home, industrial composting, anaerobic digestion
- Datasheet: available (three grades)

Target applications:

- Bio-degradable: For example: seed coatings, fertilizer coatings, horticulture, agriculture, weed protection, plastic bags, packaging (oxygen barrier properties), mulch foils,
- Other applications with added value (impact modifiers PLA and other bio based polymers)

Please share your ideas on application development?!

OPEN SPACE STILL FOR NEW APPLICATION PARTNERS

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