

# The Bio-Economy Where Do Materials Fit?

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#### The Bio Economy

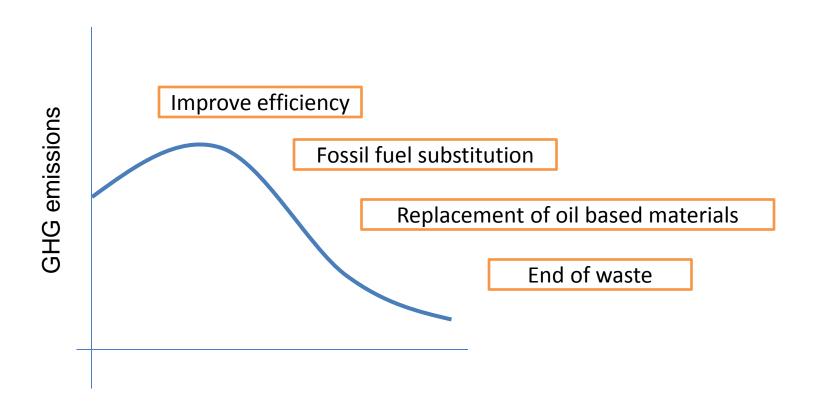
The aggregate set of economic operations in a society that use the latent value incumbent in biological products and processes to capture new growth and welfare benefits for citizens and nations.

These benefits are manifest in product markets through productivity gains, enhancement effects and substitution effects, additional benefits derive from more eco-efficient and sustainable use of natural resources to provide goods and services to an ever growing global population.

Source: OECD



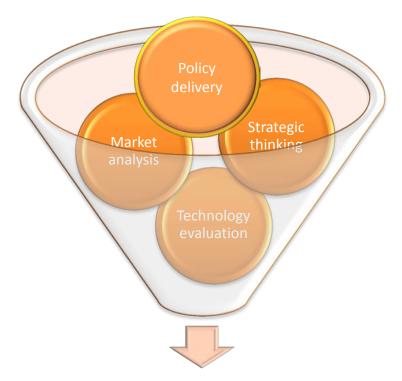
## Towards a low carbon economy



Source: Adapted from 'GHG Emission reductions with Industrial Biotechnology': Assessing the Opportunities, WWF & Novozymes



# The UK's national centre for renewable energy, fuels, chemicals and materials



bio-economy development

#### **EU Renewable Energy Directive**

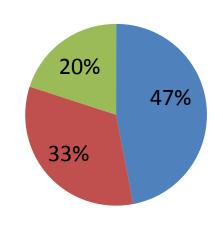
European Governments focussed on Bioenergy

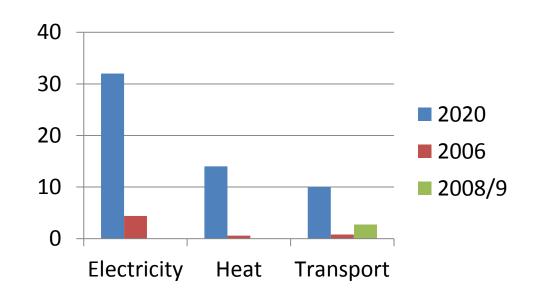
Mandatory EU target of 20% renewable energy in overall energy

consumption by 2020

UK Target - 15%

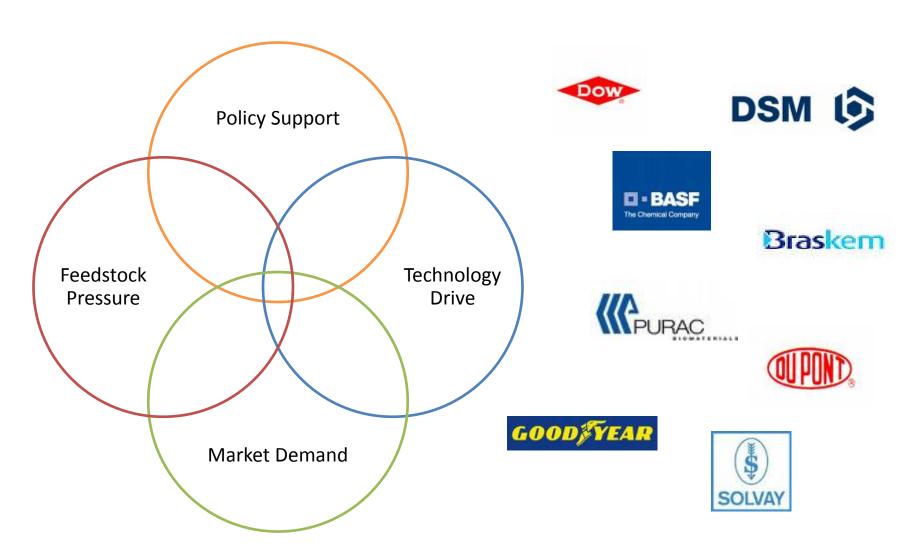




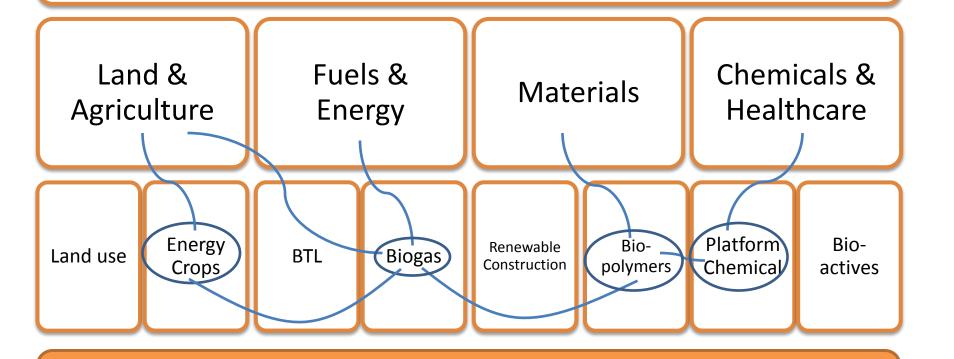




#### Interest in bio-based chemicals - Why now?



#### The Bio-based economy

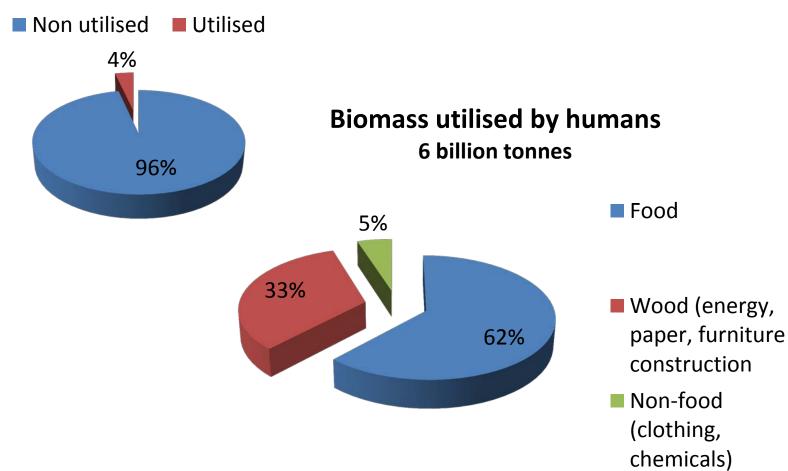


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### World biomass production

170 trillion tonnes



Source: Product overview and market projection of emerging bio-based plastics PRO-BIP 2009, Utrecht University

#### **Ecosystem Services**

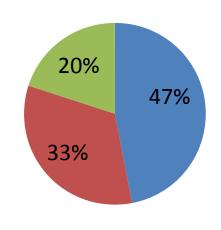
- Provisioning
  - Food, water, energy, chemicals
- Regulating
  - Control of climate, control of disease
- Amenity/cultural
  - Recreation, spiritual
- Supporting
  - Biogeochemical cycles C and N, Crop pollination, biodiversity

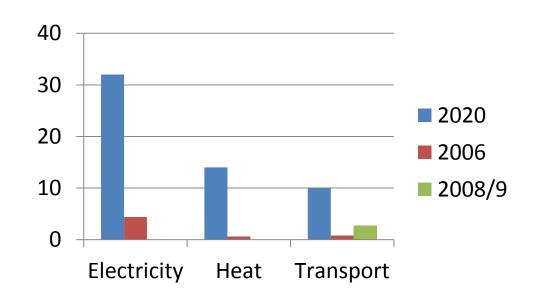
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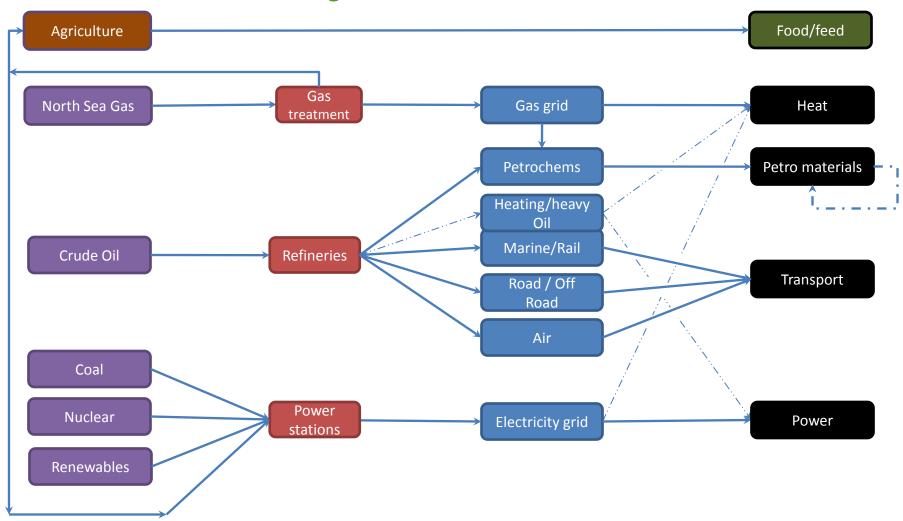






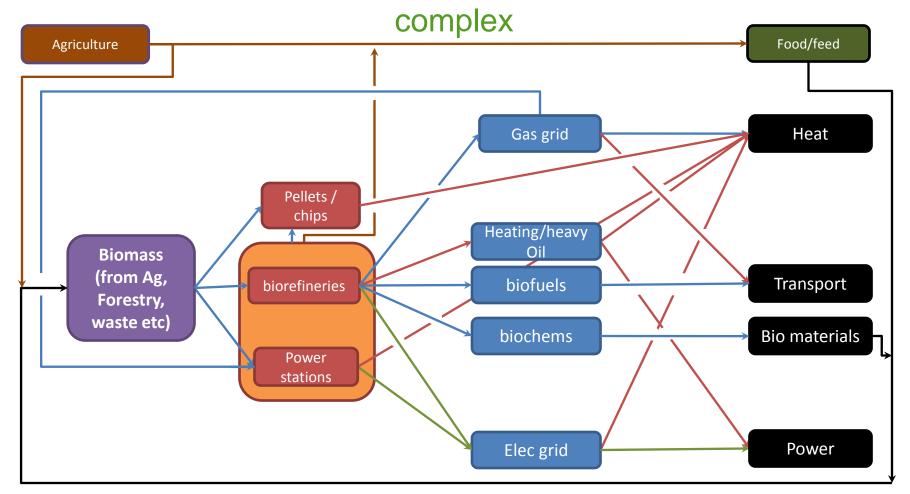


## Current energy supplies are compartmentalised – very little integration across sectors





Biomass can serve all sectors – integrated production of heat, power, fuels, and <u>chemicals</u> including recyling of biobased chemicals and food/feed wastes. System is

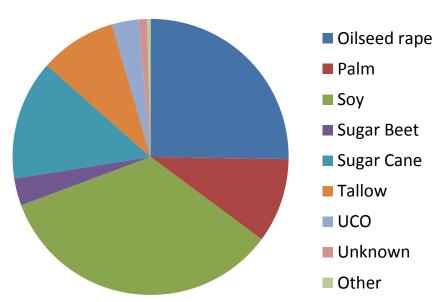




#### RTFO Year 1

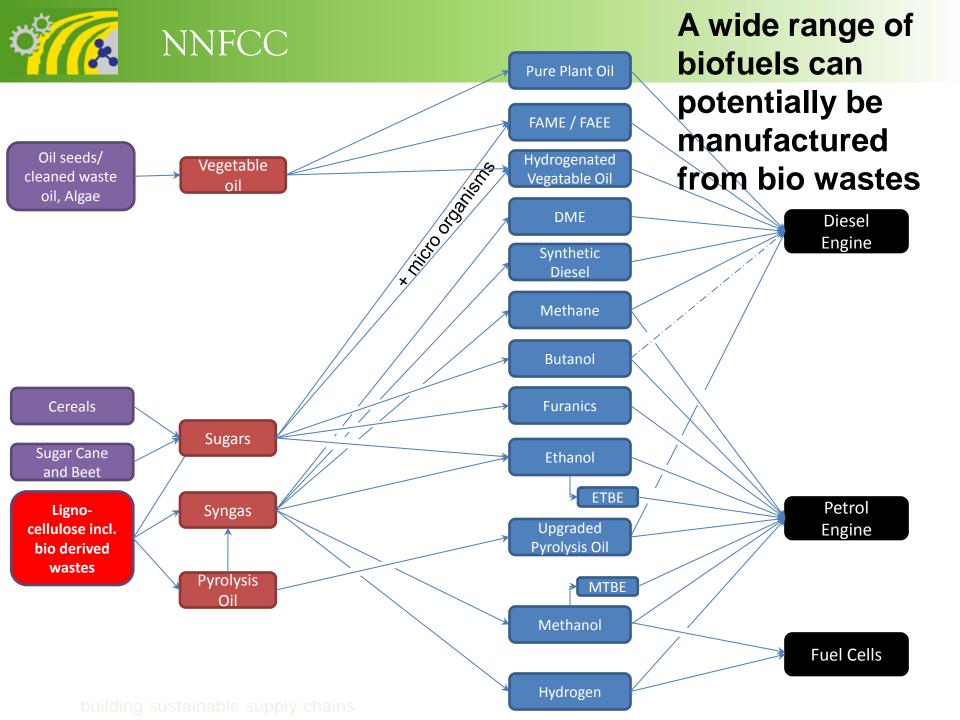
#### Biofuel supplied - 1,284m litres of fuel, 46% average GHG savings

#### Volume of feedstock, litres



Diesel Blend - Fatty acid methyl ester (FAME)

Petrol Blend - Ethanol



#### **Bio-materials**

- Global biofuel markets supported by subsidies or mandated targets
- No financial market support schemes for bio-materials
- Therefore
  - Evidence for sector interest?
  - Evidence for sector activity?
  - What factors are driving the development of bio-materials?

#### Interest from chemical producers

Reduce exposure to crude oil prices



- Reduce process energy costs (industrial biotechnology)
- Potential for novel functionality







Green premium????

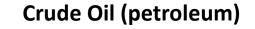


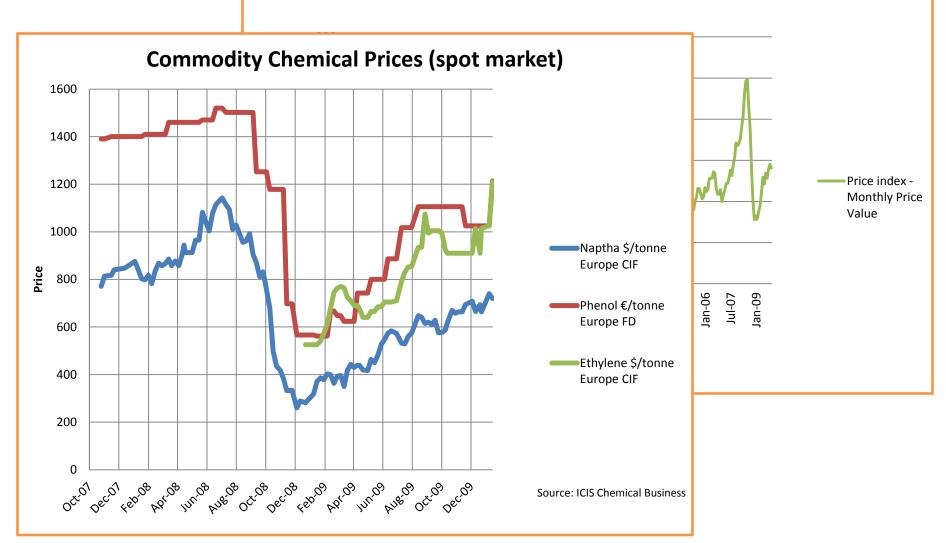




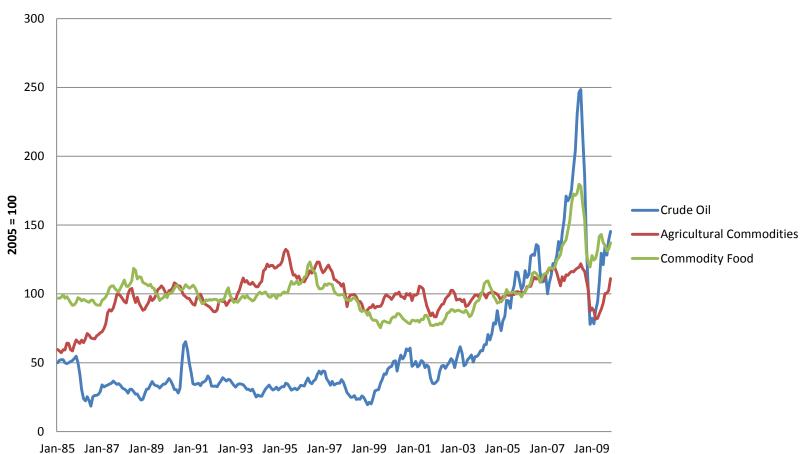






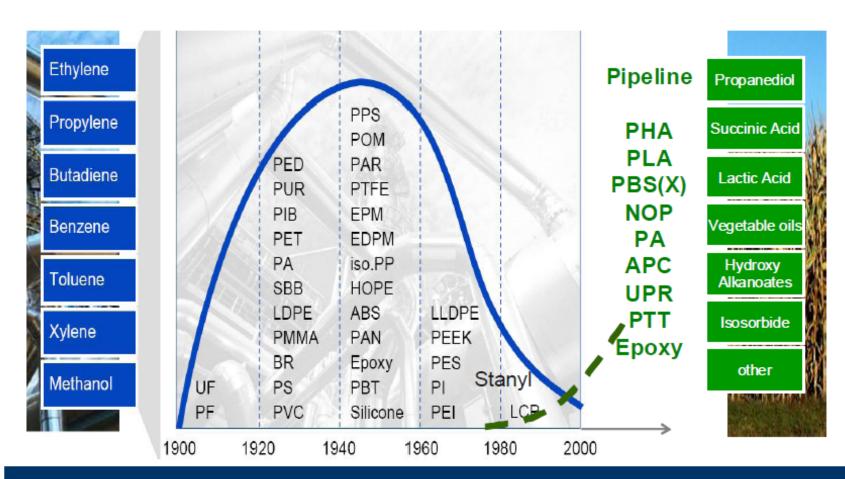


#### **Crude oil (petroleum) and Agricultural Commodity , Price index**



Source: International Monetary Fund

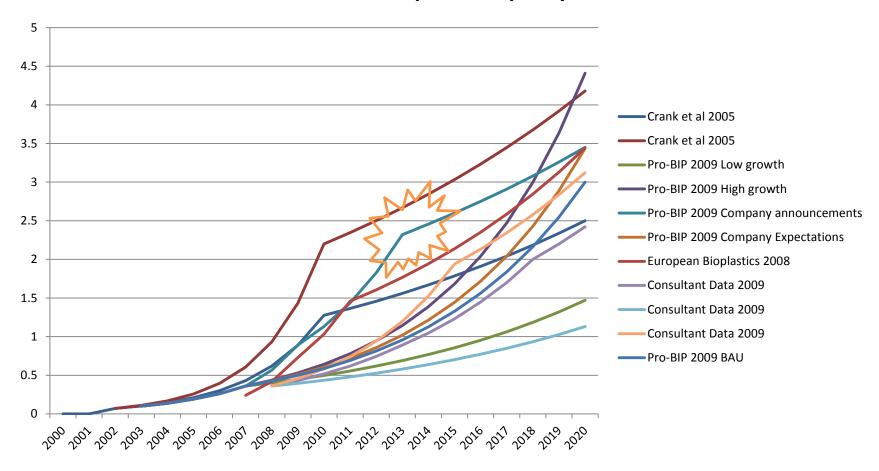




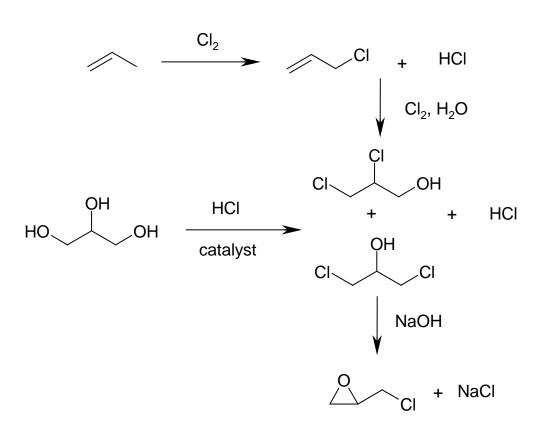
Biobased will take a significant part of oil based chemistry



#### **Global Bio-based plastic Capacity Growth**



## Epichlorohydrin from glycerol



- Solvay Epicerol<sup>®</sup> process
- Demonstration Tavaux, France
- Commercial
- Plant location Map Ta Phut
- Capacity 100,000 tonnes
- Glycerine demand 120,000 tonnes
- Start Up Q1 2012

## Propylene glycol from glycerol

- ADM Propylene glycol
- Plant location Decatur US
- Capacity 100,000 tons

DOW Chemical Company - Status unknown Huntsman Corporation – Status unknown Cargil/Ashland – Capacity 65,000 tonnes, location Europe

#### Growth in US ethanol

Year	January 1999	January 2000					•			
Total Ethanol Plants	50	54	56	61	68	72	81	95	110	
Ethanol Production Capacity	1701.7 mgy		1921.9 mgy			3100.8 mgy	3643.7 mgy	4336.4 mgy	5493.4 mgy	_
Plants Under Construction/ Expanding	5	6	5	13	11	15	16	31	76	
Capacity Under Construction/Expanding	77 mgy	91.5 mgy	64.7 mgy		483 mgy	598 mgy	754 mgy	1778 mgy	5635.5 mgy	
States with Ethanol Plants	17	17	18	19	20	19	18	20	21	

Country	Millions of Gallons		
USA	9000.0		
Brazil	6472.2		
European Union	733.6		
China	501.9		
Canada	237.7		
Other	128.4		
Thailand	89.8		
Colombia	79.29		
India	66.0		
Australia	26.4		
Total	17,335.2		

January

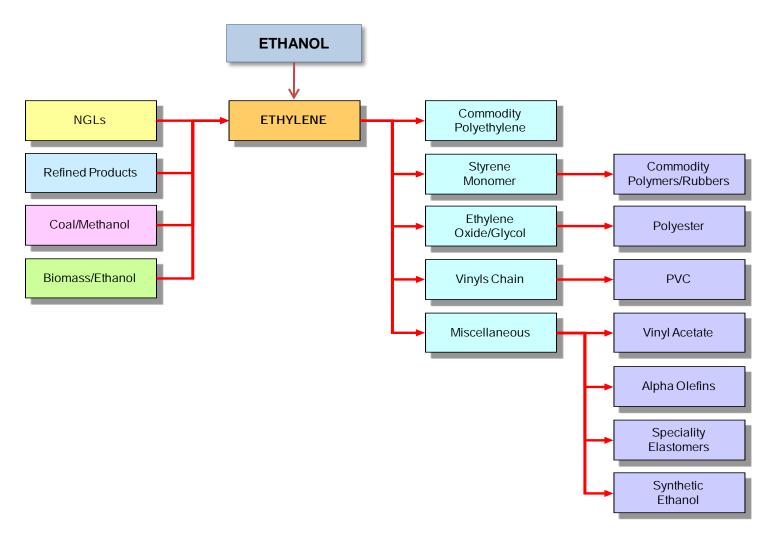
Source: RFA, F.O. Licht 2008 Estimates

<sup>\*</sup> operating plants \*\* 12,475.4 mgy capacity including idled capacity





#### **Ethylene Value Chain**



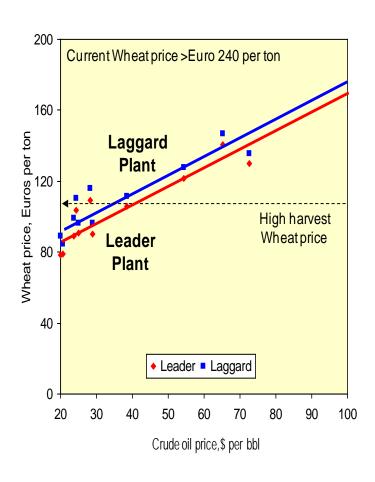
#### Bio-ethylene near market activity

- No technical hurdles for the production ethylene from biomass
- Braskem (Brazil)
  - Planned HDPE production
  - Capacity 250,000 tonnes/year Q4 2010
    - 1Mt end of 2012
- Dow/Crystalsev (Brazil)
  - Planned Polyolefin production 2011
  - Capacity 350,000 tonnes/year
- Solvay (Brazil)
  - Planned PVC and PVA
- Same economic considerations as fossil based production, feedstock cost and availability, construction and operating costs, access to market etc





#### **Ethylene Economics**



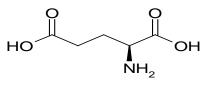
For a wheat price, typical of a balanced to long market, ethylene derived from bioethanol makes green polyethylene competitive with petrochemical derived routes in a high crude oil price world

Current wheat price ~ £110/tonne Current crude oil price ~ \$75/bbl

#### DOE's Top 12 Bio-derived building blocks

2,5-Furandicarboxylic acid

3-Hydroxypropionic acid

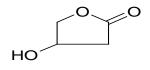


Aspartic acid

Glucaric acid

Glutamic acid

$$\mathsf{HO} \overset{\mathsf{O}}{\longleftarrow} \mathsf{CH}_3$$



Itaconic acid

Levulinic acid

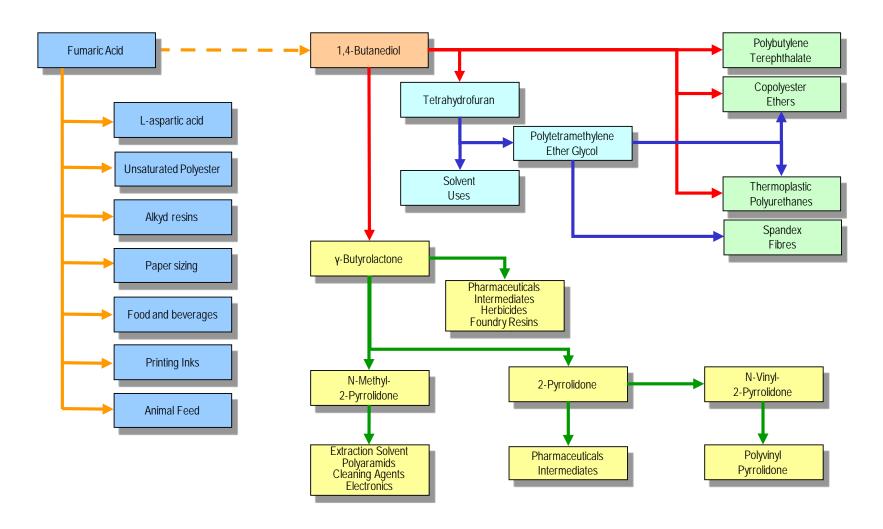
3-Hydroxybutyrolactone

Glycerol



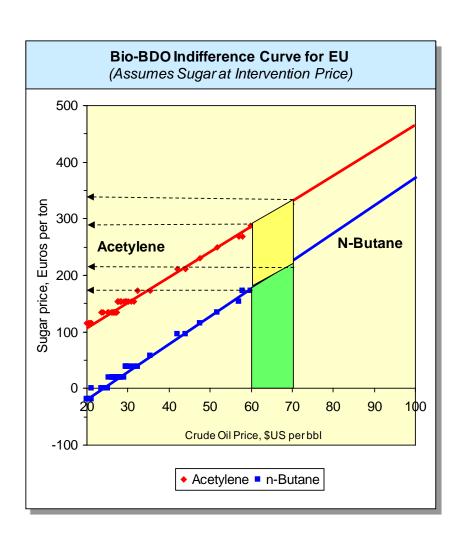


#### Fumaric & succinic acid downstream potential





#### **Butanediol economics**



#### Brazilian sugar - €150-200

Wet milling of wheat and corn is limited in Europe with most sugar being sugar beet-derived. With a sugar beet price of circa €30 per ton then on an integrated basis it may be possible to support captive fumaric acid and butanediol production.

#### The race to commercial industrial bio-succinic acid

## BASF and CSM announce joint production development of biobased succinic acid

2009-09-30 P-09-395

LUDWIGSHAFEN, GERMANY, and DIEMEN, NETHERLANDS – September 30, 2009 – BASF SE and CSM nv today announced the cooperation between their respective subsidiaries BASF Future Business GmbH and PURAC for the development of the production of biobased succinic acid. Both partners have been working on the development of the industrial fermentation and down-stream processing of biobased succinic acid and will start production of commercial quality and volumes in the second quarter of 2010.



#### PRESS RELEASE

Bioamber Commissions World's First Renewable Succinic Acid Plant

Pomacle, France, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010: Bioamber, a joint venture between US-based DNP Green Technology and France-based ARD (Agro-industrie Recherches et Développements), announces the successful start-up and commissioning of the world's first bio-based succinic acid plant. Since December 2009, the plant has been producing renewable succinic acid from wheat derived glucose.

#### DSM and ROQUETTE to commercialize bio-based succinic acid as of end 2009

Heerlen, NL, 09-Mar-2009 08:15 CET

Royal DSM N.V., the global Life Sciences and Materials Sciences company headquartered in the Netherlands, and the French starch and starch-derivatives company ROQUETTE confirmed during the international Life Sciences Forum, BioVision, that its bio-based succinic acid demonstration plant in Lestrem (France) will be operational by the end of 2009. The pilot scale production has proven that this biological route for producing succinic acid can be commercially viable. The first tests for customers are already underway with this 'green' succinic acid.

#### Lactic acid

- Polylactic acid Worlds leading bio-based synthetic polymer
- European demand predicted to rise from 25,000 per year to 650,000 tonnes by 2025
- Global lactic acid production capacity > 400,000 tonnes
- Expanding number of additive packages increasing application areas
- Compostable packaging to textile fibres



# Market confusion – bio means biodegradable



Samsung Reclaim M560 Phone, Earth Green (Sprint)

Contains 40% polylactic acid

According to the blogosphere - A biodegradable phone!



#### What is bio?

Origin of material	Biodegradability	Example	The meaning of the prefix "bio-"
Renewable	Biodegradable	Polyhydroxyalkanoate (PHA)	Biodegradable and bio-based
Non-renewable	Biodegradable	Polycaprolactone (PCL)	Biodegradable
Renewable	Non-biodegradable	Polyethylene (PE) from sugar cane	Bio-based
Non-renewable	Non-biodegradable	Polyetheretherketone (PEEK) for biomedical applications	Biocompatible

Adapted from: Taking bio-based from promise to market, EU Commission



## Relevance of biodegradability?

#### DECEMBER 2, 2009 - COPENHAGEN DELEGATES WALK ON ECO2PUNCH® INGEO™ CARPET MADE FROM PLANTS, NOT OIL

Manufacture of this innovative performance carpet emits less greenhouse gas, reduces energy consumption, and demonstrates a new model for recycling

COPENHAGEN, Denmark., December 2, 2009 - At the Bella Center where the United Nations global conference on climate change will be held, every one of the 15,000 dignitaries will stand, walk, and rest their feet on an ultra low carbon footprint Eco2punch® carpet made with Ingeo™ fibers from plants not oil.



Image courtesy of Natureworks

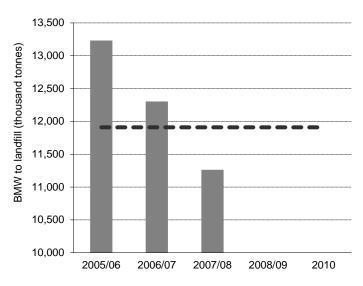
PLA provides end of life flexibility compost, incineration or recycling





### Food packaging





Source: Defra

Source: totals from Environment Agency annual report on landfill allowances produced from data provided by Local Authorties on WasteDataFlow

- An estimated 8.3 million tonnes of household food waste is produced each year in the UK (source WRAP)
- Large quantities of food waste are packaged
- Packaging increases the shelf life of products and reduces waste
- Need an efficient system to deal with food waste

#### The role for biodegradable packaging





# England's Official Information Portal on

# ANÆROBIC DIGESTION



www.biogas-info.co.uk









# European Lead Market Initiative



- Standards, labels and certification
- Legislation promoting market development
- Product specific legislation
- Legislation related to biomass
- Encourage Green Public Procurement
- Financing and funding of research



#### Labels and standards

- Biodegradability material function
  - Plastic products can provide proof of their compostability by successfully meeting the harmonised European standard, EN 13432



- Is origin of material is important?
- How do we communicate



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# Value to the supply chain

THE COCA-COLA COMPANY INTRODUCES INNOVATIVE BOTTLE MADE FROM RENEWABLE, RECYCLABLE, PLANT-BASED PLASTIC





redesigned plastic, recyclable as ever.

TETRA PAK PLANS BIOPLASTIC TRIALS IN 2011





# Dupont's Propanediol platform





Zemea<sup>™</sup> Propanediol



SmartStrand® Carpet with DuPont™ Sorona® Renewably Sourced Polymer

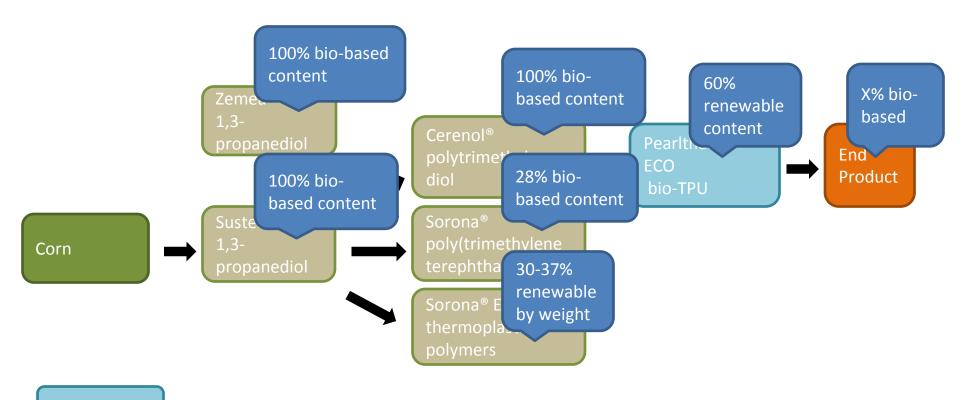
Photo courtesy of Mohawk Industries

Calvin Klein Golf jacket made with DuPont™ Sorona® polymer.

Photo Courtesy of Calvin Klein Golf



### **Propanediol Value Chain**



Merquinsa

DuPont

ASTM Standard D 6852: Standard Guide for Determination of Biobased Content, Resources Consumption, and Environmental Profile of Materials and Products

### Bio-based content define by C14 levels

Vinçotte announces proudly the first OK biobased certificates of a whole range of raw materials.









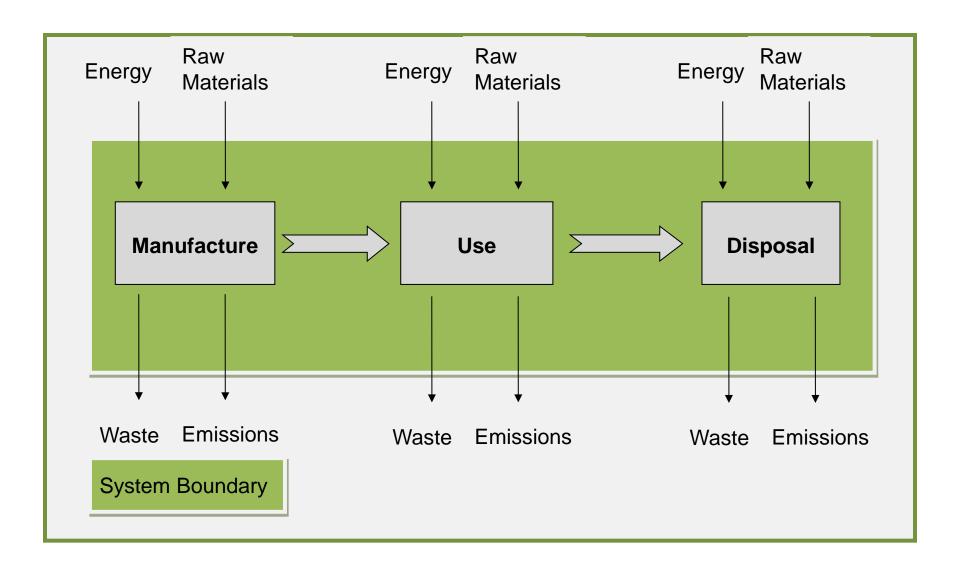
between 20 and 40 % Biobased between 40 and 60 % Biobased between 60 and 80 % Biobased

more than 80 % Biobased



# IF WE CAN

# SHOULD WE?

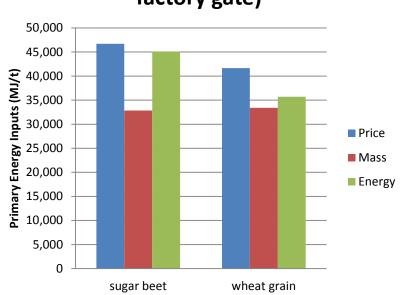






# Significant fossil energy savings

# LLDPE Production (cradle to factory gate)

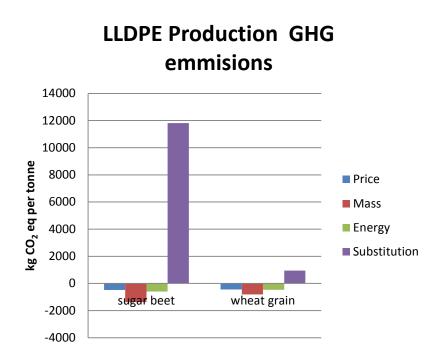


Sugar Beet	Price	46,709
	Mass	32,852
	Energy	45,110
Wheat Grain	Price	41,659
	Mass	33,421
	Energy	35,699
Petro (Plastics <i>Europe</i> )		72,300





# Significant GHG emissions savings



Sugar Beet	Price	-481
	Mass	-1,372
	Energy	-595
	Substitution	11,815
Wheat Grain	Price	-446
	Mass	-812
	Energy	-470
	Substitution	944
Petro (Plastics <i>Europe</i> )		1,890





# Comparison with fuel ethanol

Production Option	Energy requirement	GHG emissions	GHG emissions Petro equiv	% savings
Bioethanol from wheat grain	0.597 (MJ/MJ)	0.044 (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq./MJ)	0.081 (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq./MJ)	46%
LLDPE from wheat grain	41,659 (MJ/tonne)	-446 (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq./tonne)	1,890 (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq./tonne)	124%

## Findings of the Gallagher Review

- There is probably sufficient land for food, feed and biofuels
- The review has examined both the likely levels of future demand for agricultural land and how much land might be available. There remains much uncertainty.
- At present, feedstock for biofuel occupies just 1% of cropland but the rising world population, changing diets and demand for biofuels are estimated to increase demand for cropland by between 17% and 44% by 2020.
- However, the balance of evidence indicates there will be sufficient appropriate land available to 2020 to meet this demand......
- The review has not examined the situation beyond 2020 when current trends are anticipated to continue and climate change will affect land productivity. The long-term potential of bioenergy using land suited for agricultural production therefore requires further consideration.



# GHG savings per unit of land

	Land unit	Output	GHG savings
Bioethanol from wheat	1 ha	66801 MJ 3181 litres	2,472 kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
LLDPE from wheat	1 ha	1.4 tonnes	3,270 kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.

Using wheat grain for polyethylene delivers an additional 32% GHG saving over fuel ethanol

	Land unit	Output	GHG savings
LLDPE from sugar beet	1 ha	2.7 tonnes	6,402 kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.

Product	GHG savings tCO <sub>2</sub> eq. per t	Land Use (ha per tonne)	GHG savings tCO <sub>2</sub> eq. per ha
acetic acid	0.3	0.14	2 (-2 – 6)
acrylic acid	1.6	0.18	9
adipic acid	2.8	0.28	10
butanol	3.4	0.32	10
caprolactam	5.1	0.33	15
ethanol	2.7	0.27	9
ethyl lactate	1.4	0.30	5
ethylene	2.4	0.45	5
succinic acid	4.0	0.15	27
1,3-propanediol	1.4	0.36	9
PLA	2.9	0.18	12

NB: Production from corn starch

Adapted from: Medium and Long-term Opportunities and Risks of the Biotechnological Production of Bulk Chemicals from Renewable Resources, Utrecht University 2006.

## Potential for high land productivity

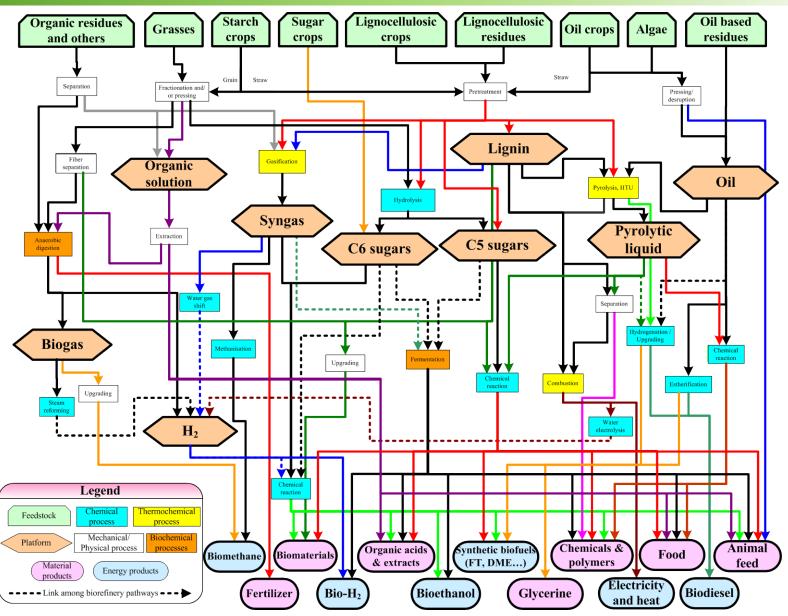
• Ethanol 
$$C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2 C_2H_6O + 2 CO_2$$

• Lactic Acid 
$$C_6H_{12}O_6 \rightarrow 2 C_3H_6O_3$$

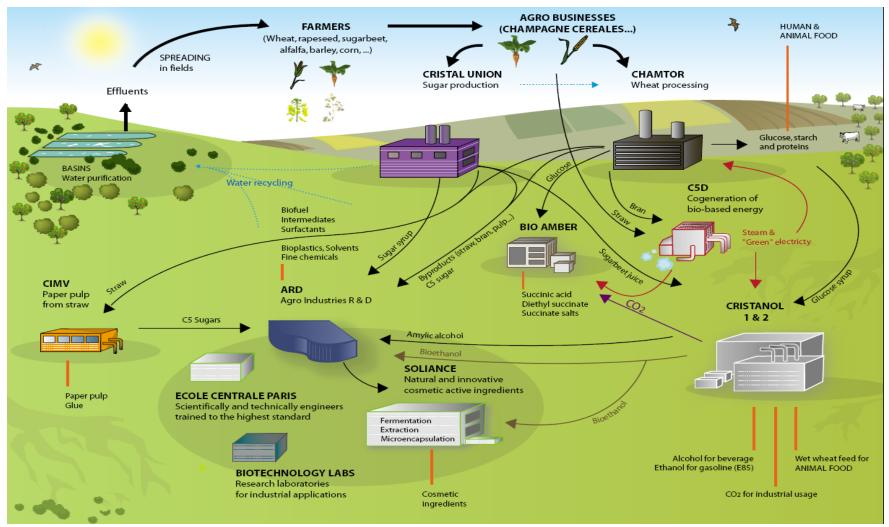
Succinic Acid 
$$C_6H_{12}O_6 + 2CO_2 + 2H_2 \rightarrow 2C_4H_6O_4 + 2H_2O_6$$

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### IEA Bioenergy | Task 42 Biorefinery

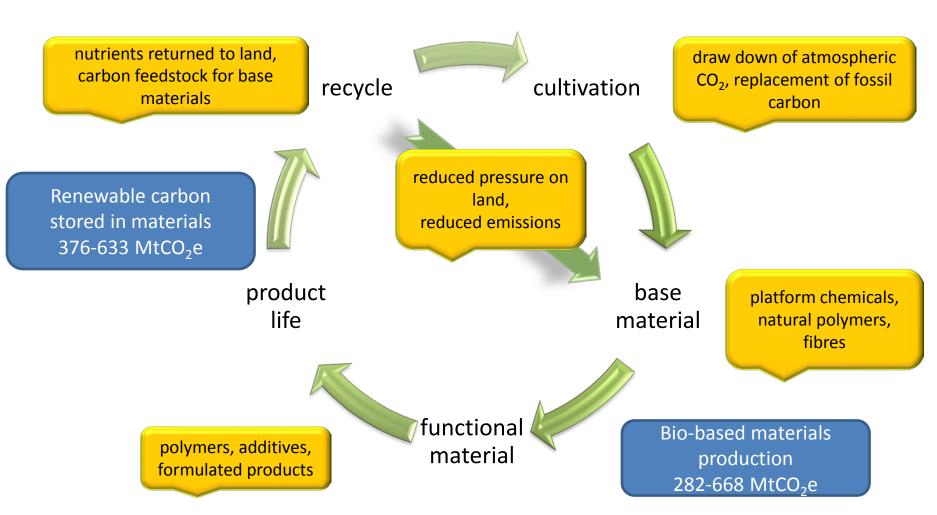


# French Biorefinery Development





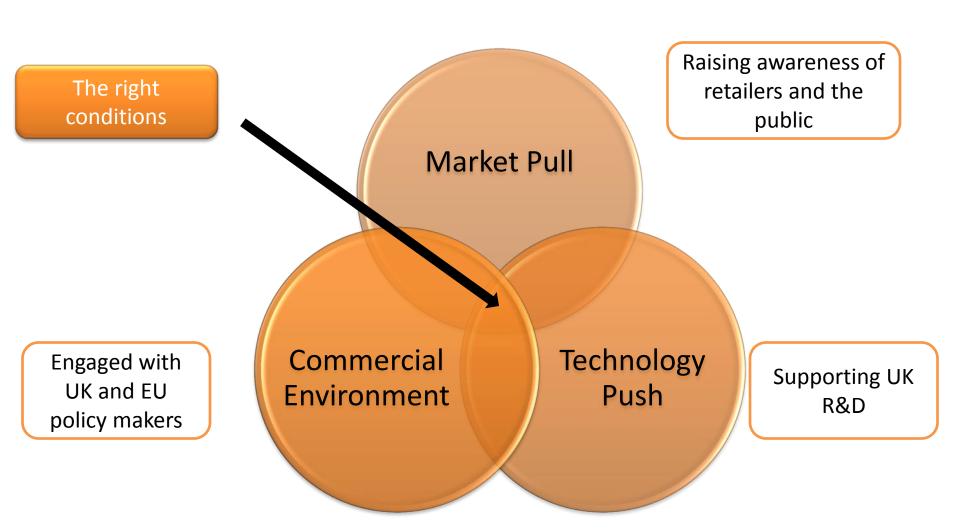
## Potential biobased material economy 2030



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# NNFCC's role in development



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