

# Amorphous PHA:

The key to tuning the biodegradability  
speed of compostable polymers

*Improved functionality and faster compostability*

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Bring a New Wave

**PHACT**

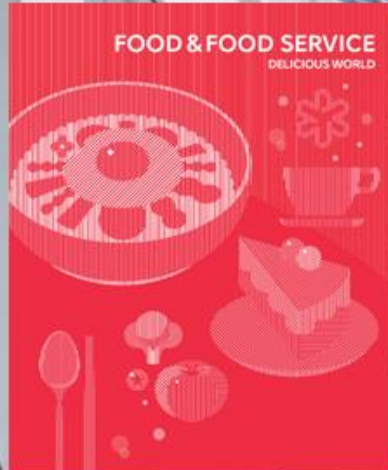
- Introductions to CJ Biomaterials
- PHA
- PHA Applications



## 2021 Results

US\$27.2 BN  
₩34,484 BN

(1USD=1,268 KRW)

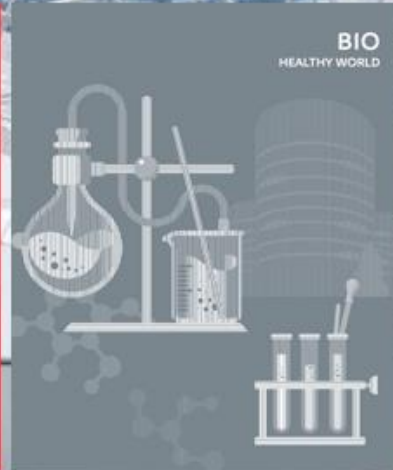


### DELICIOUS WORLD

#### FOOD & FOOD SERVICE

Making it easy for everyone to enjoy delicious food while globalizing Korean cuisine.

- CJ CHEILJEDANG (FOOD Div.)
- CJ FOODVILLE
- CJ FRESHWAY



### HEALTHY WORLD

#### BIO

Improving health and wellness through biotech and pharmaceutical innovations.

- CJ CHEILJEDANG (BIO Div.)
- CJ FEED&CARE
- CJ BIOSCIENCE
- CJ BIOMATERIALS

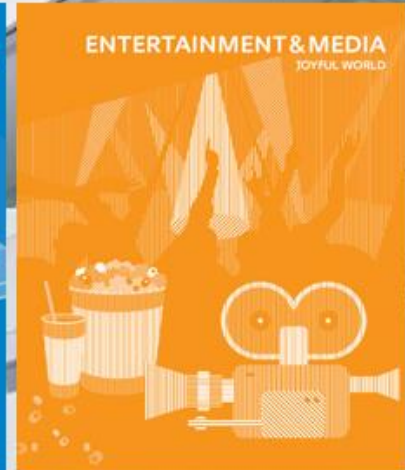


### CONVENIENT WORLD

#### LOGISTICS & RETAIL

Shaping the logistics and distribution industries in Korea. Innovating lifestyles and creating conveniences around the world with revolutionary logistics services.

- CJ LOGISTICS
- CJ LOGISTICS - E&C DIV.
- CJ OLIVEYOUNG
- CJ OLIVENETWORKS
- CJ ENM - O SHOPPING DIV.



### JOYFUL WORLD

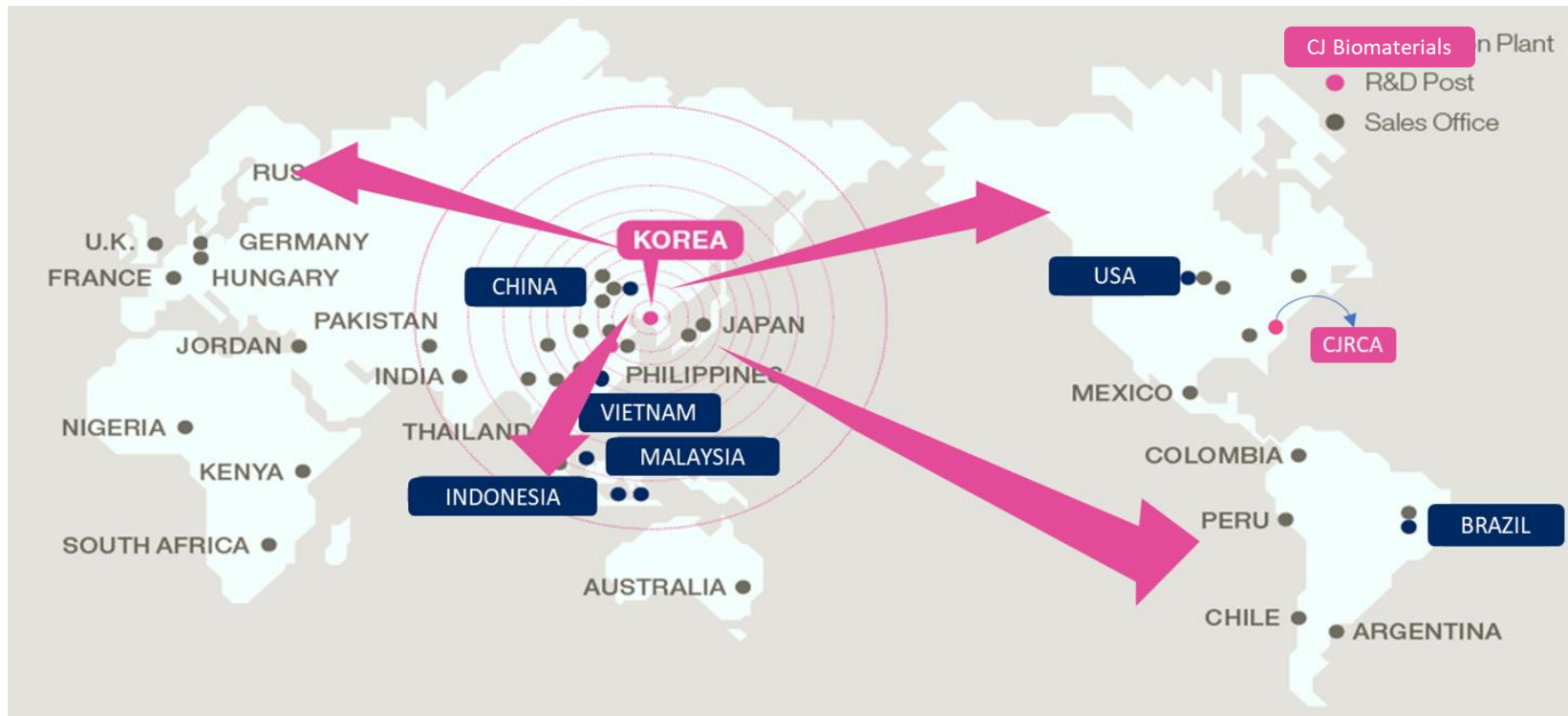
#### ENTERTAINMENT & MEDIA

Creating and distributing Korean cultural content via media (TV and online), theaters, live events, and more.

- CJ ENM - E&M DIV.
- CJ CGV
- CJ POWERCAST

## OVER 700 KT FERMENTATION CAPACITY WORLDWIDE

13 Production sites in 7 countries, 2 R&D centers, and 137 Sales Networks in 18 countries across the globe



- **Indonesia:** 3 Plants, 2 for food & feed grade amino acids, 1 for PHACT PHA
- **Malaysia:** 1 Plant for L-Methionine

- **China:** 4 Plants for food & feed grade amino acids
- **USA:** 1 Plant for Lysine & Threonine

- **Brazil:** 2 Plants for Lysine & SPC
- **Korea:** 2 Pilot Plants
- **Vietnam:** 1 Plant for fermented soybean meal

# PHACT HISTORY

Building our platform by combining world-scale biotech assets with a world-class technology portfolio to enable circular and sustainable solutions



## 2010

Launch of biomaterials activities as a new growth engine. Planning partnerships with global top-tier customers for production and sales of biobased chemicals.



## 2016

Acquisition of Metabolix technology and PHA Assets. PHA biopolymers and biochemicals manufacturing via microbiology. CJ assumed the USA based Metabolix research facility in (MA).



## 2020/21

Construction of PHA plant in Indonesia. 5,000 ton/year investment in Pasuruan, Indonesia.



## 2022

Plant Commissioning and Start-Up. First shipments Q1-2022. 5KT commercial capacity.



## CJ Blossom Park R&D Centre

CJ Blossom Park is the largest food and BIO convergence research institute of its kind in Korea. Home to all the core food and bio research institutes in one location and exuding powerful synergy.

A 1.2 million sq. foot (112,000 sq. meters) R&D center represents the onset of CJ's acceleration into becoming a global company, and creating a sense of newness through open communication.

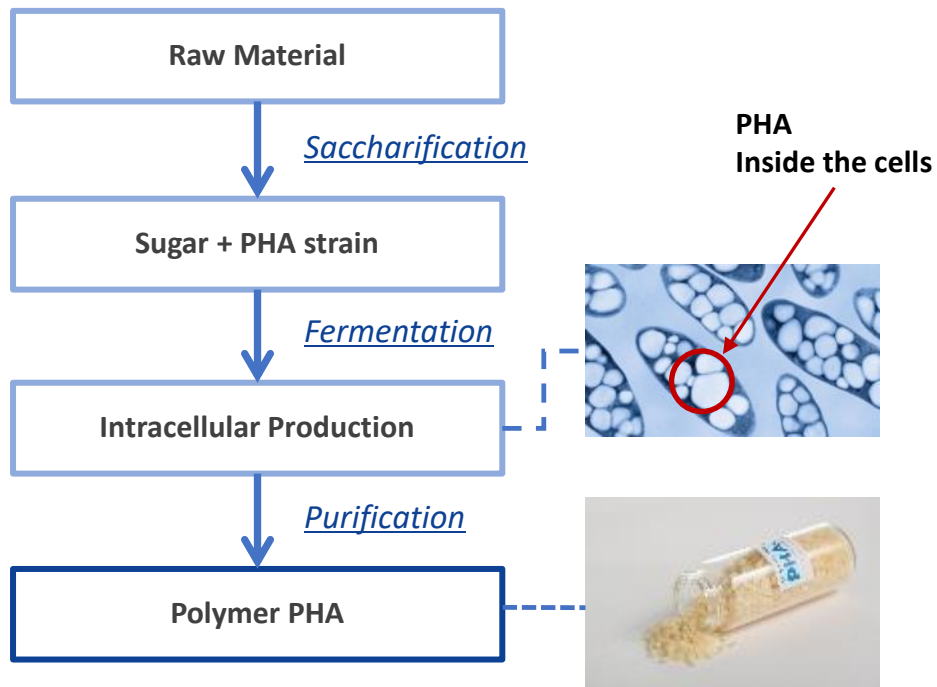


## PHA's (PolyHydroxyAlkanoate) are produced in Nature by bacterial fermentation

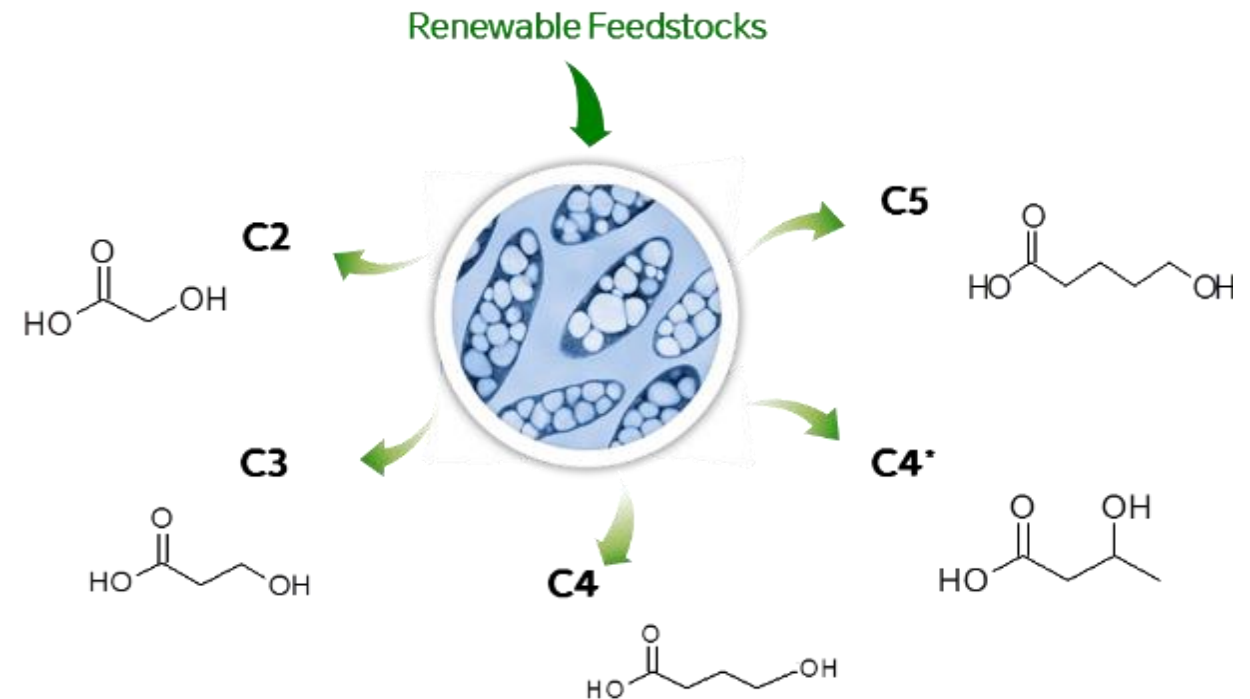
Many bacteria produce and use PHA as an energy storage material in nature  
Theoretically more than 150 types of PHA can be created.

The main commercial types are PHB, PHBV, PHBH, P3HB4HB, P3HP

### [PHA Production]



### [PHA ; Polyhydroxyalkanoate]



## Product properties of PHA

### Various physical properties with different PHA resin types

Sort	Unit	Test Method	PHA Types		
			cPHA (crystalline)	scPHA (semi crystalline)	aPHA (amorphous)
Specific gravity	g/cc	ISO 1183	1.23	1.23	1.23
T <sub>g</sub> (glass transition temp.)	°C	DSC	0 ~ 5	-15 ~ -5	-15 ~ -20
T <sub>m</sub> (melting temp.)	°C	DSC	180	130	N/A
Flexural Strength	MPa	ISO 178	< 1400	< 800	< 4
Charpy Impact strength	KJ/M <sup>2</sup>	ISO 179	3	5	N/A
Tensile strength	MPa	ISO 527	30 ~ 40	1 ~ 30	< 1
HDT (heat deflection temp.)	°C	ISO 75-2	100	90 ~ 100	-
Representative manufacturer	-	-	Company D, K, <b>CJ BIO</b>	Company D, K, T, <b>CJ BIO</b>	<b>CJ BIO</b>



## Biodegradability of Biopolymers

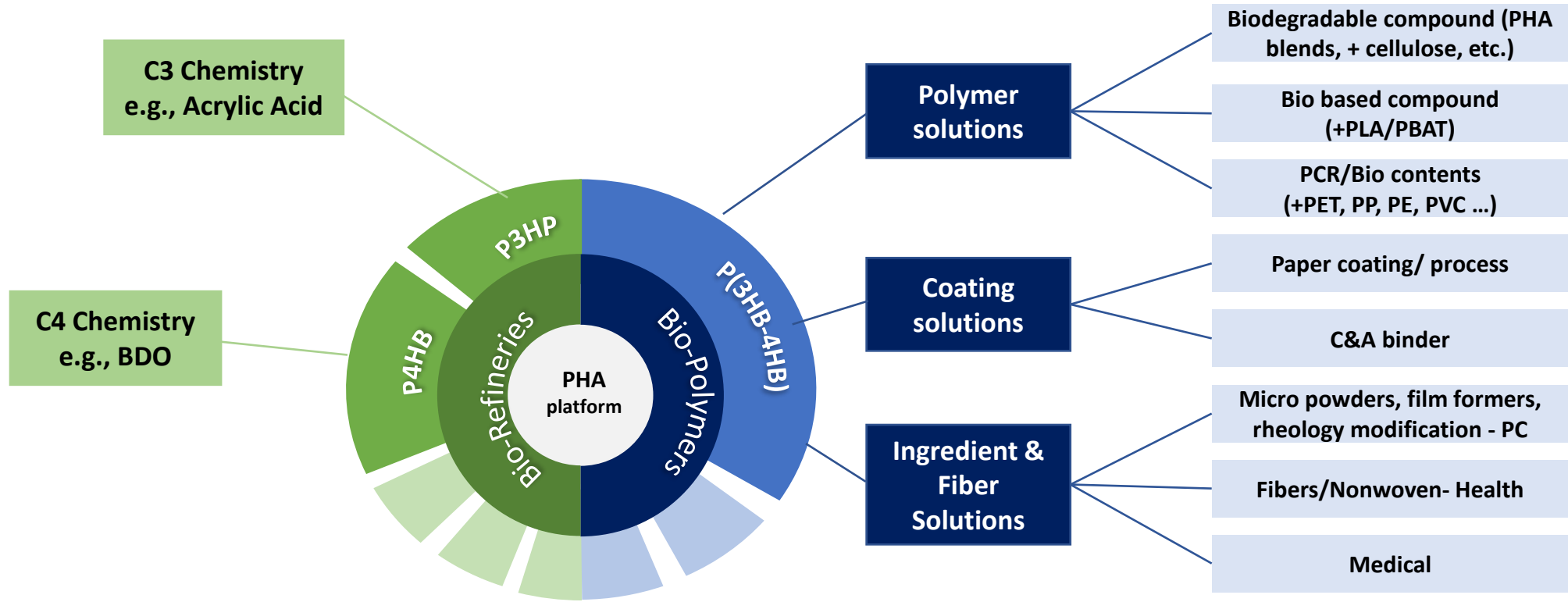
✓ = yes / X = no

Product <sup>1)</sup>	Biodegradability			
	Industrial	Home	Soil	Marine
PLA	✓	X	X	X
PBS	✓	X	X	X
PBAT	✓	X	X	X
TPS	✓	✓	✓	X
aPHA	✓	✓	✓	✓
scPHA	✓	✓	✓	✓

Conditions of Biodegradability	
TYPE	CONDITIONS
Industrial	Composting facilities, Microbe, Oxygen at 58°C
Home	Backyard(Home) landfill, at 28°C
Soil	Field, forest, soil at 25°C
Marine	Sea at 30°C

1) PLA (Poly Lactic acid), TPS (Thermoplastic Starch), PBAT (Polybutylene co-adipate co-terephthalate), PBS (Polybutylene Succinate), PHA (Polyhydroxy alkanoate, aPHA: amorphous / scPHA: semi crystalline)

## CJ PHA Platform



**Bio Polymers**

PHA-enabled solutions to provide **functional biodegradability**, improve biobased **polymers performance**, increase **bio-content**

**Bio Refineries**

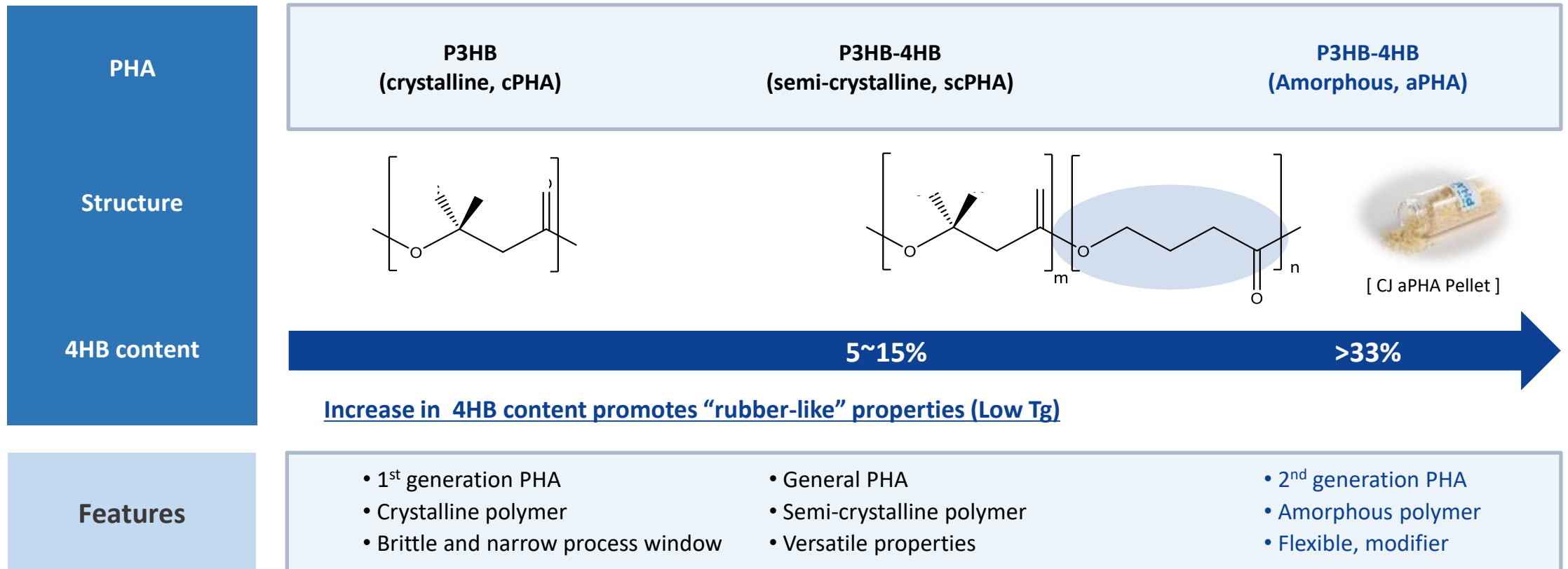
Leverage PHA's unique bio-chemistry to create **renewable and sustainable solutions** to chemically derived **monomers and molecules**

\* Polyhydroxyalkanoate

## CJ PHA - PHACT

CJ PHACT technology platform is broad and differentiated

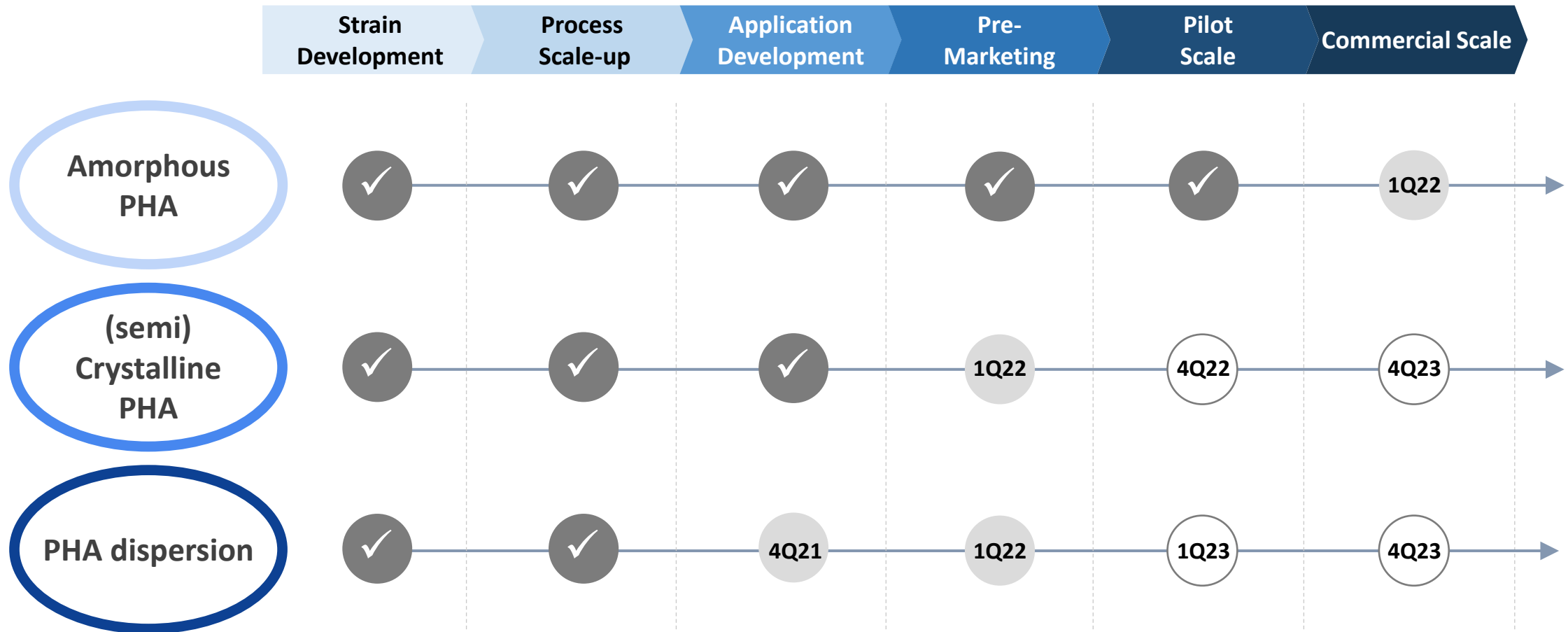
PHACT: PHA with Molecular structure of P(3HB-co-4HB)



\* P3HB: Poly(3-hydroxybutyrate)

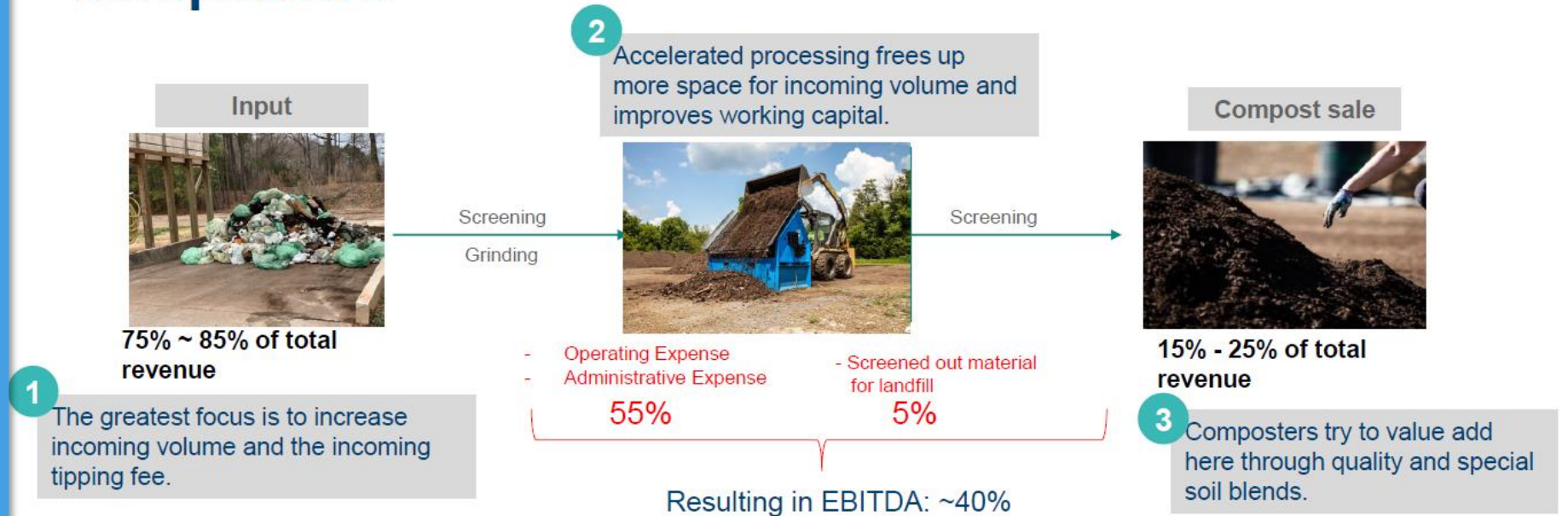
\*\* P4HB: Poly(4-hydroxybutyrate)

# CJ PHA – Product range PHACT



*faster composting is attractive for composters*

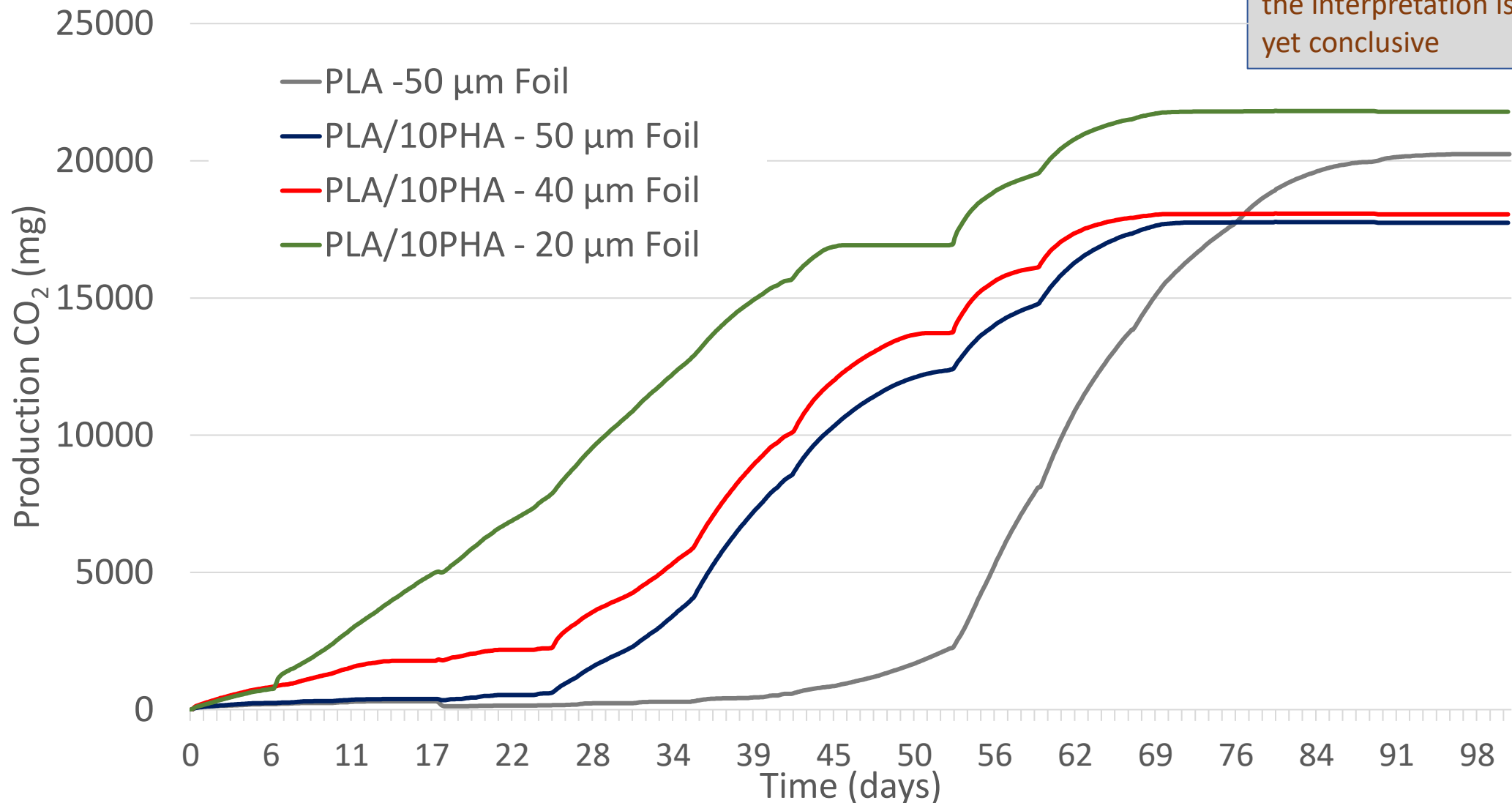
## Compostable packaging needs to create value for composters



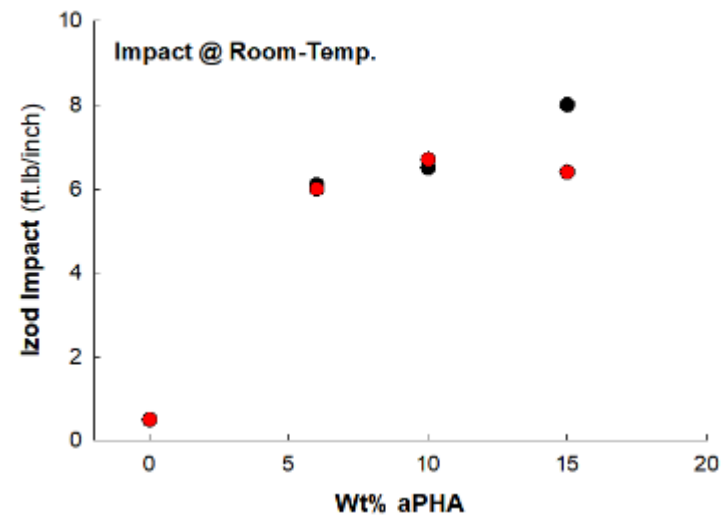
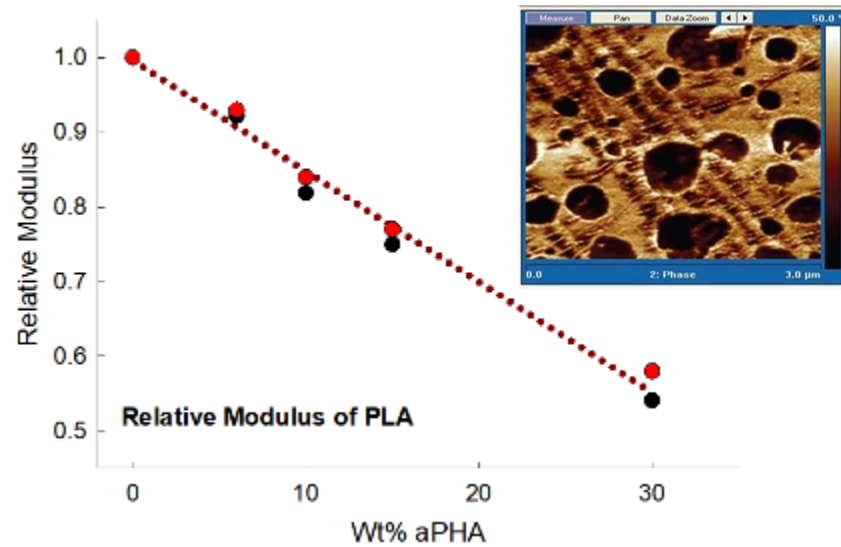
Main levers are incoming volume & tipping fees, accelerating composting, and product quality



## PLA Biodegradation – *Faster Industrial Composting*



**Indicative**  
Tests are still ongoing and the interpretation is not yet conclusive



## Value Proposition of Amorphous PHA (PHACT A1000P) with PLA

- Faster industrial composting of PLA
- Improves flexibility and film handling capability of PLA
- Considerable impact toughening of PLA; 5-20% of aPHA will make PLA much more ductile in fibers, film and 3D filaments
- Enhanced tear propagation resistance of PLA films
- Improved ease of edge trimming in sheet and thermoforming
- Maintains the bio-based carbon content of PLA @ 100%



## ***CJ Biomaterials and NatureWorks Celebrate a New Alliance!***

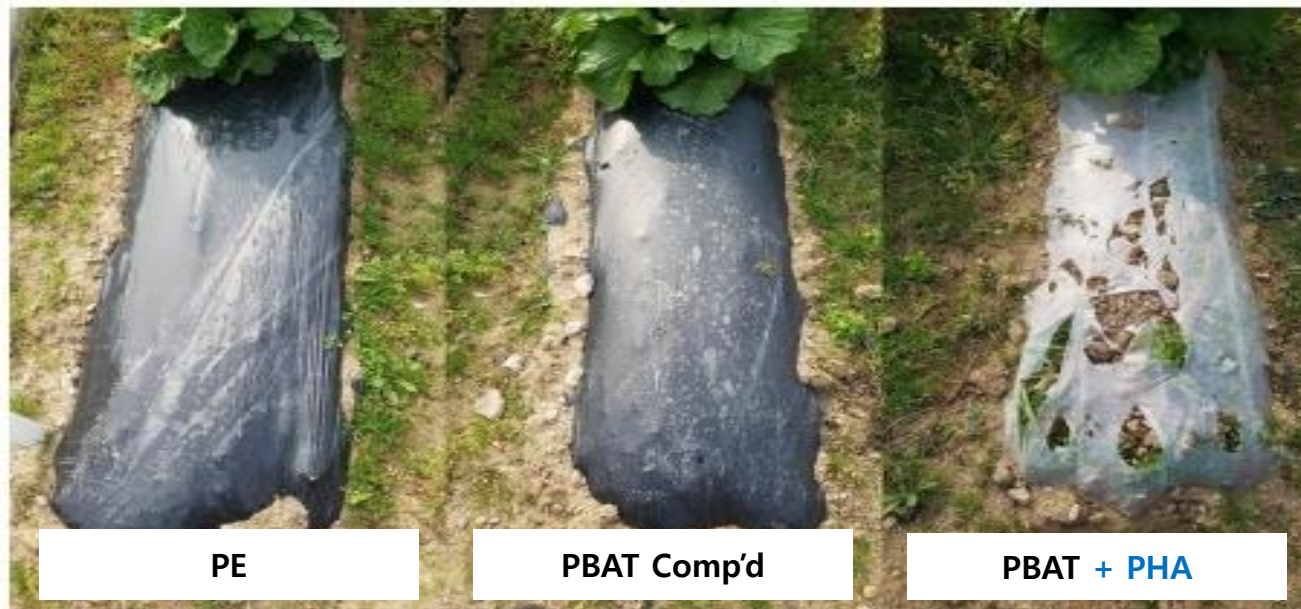


Announced to the press in November 2022 that the two organizations have signed a Master Collaboration Agreement (MCA) that calls for joint collaboration on the development of sustainable materials solutions based on CJ Biomaterials' PHACT™ Biodegradable Polymers and NatureWorks' Ingeo™ biopolymers. The two companies will develop high-performance biopolymer solutions that will replace fossil-fuel based plastics in applications ranging from compostable food packaging and food serviceware to personal care, films, and others.



## Agriculture Mulch Films

- Enhancing Soil Degradable
- Biobased content

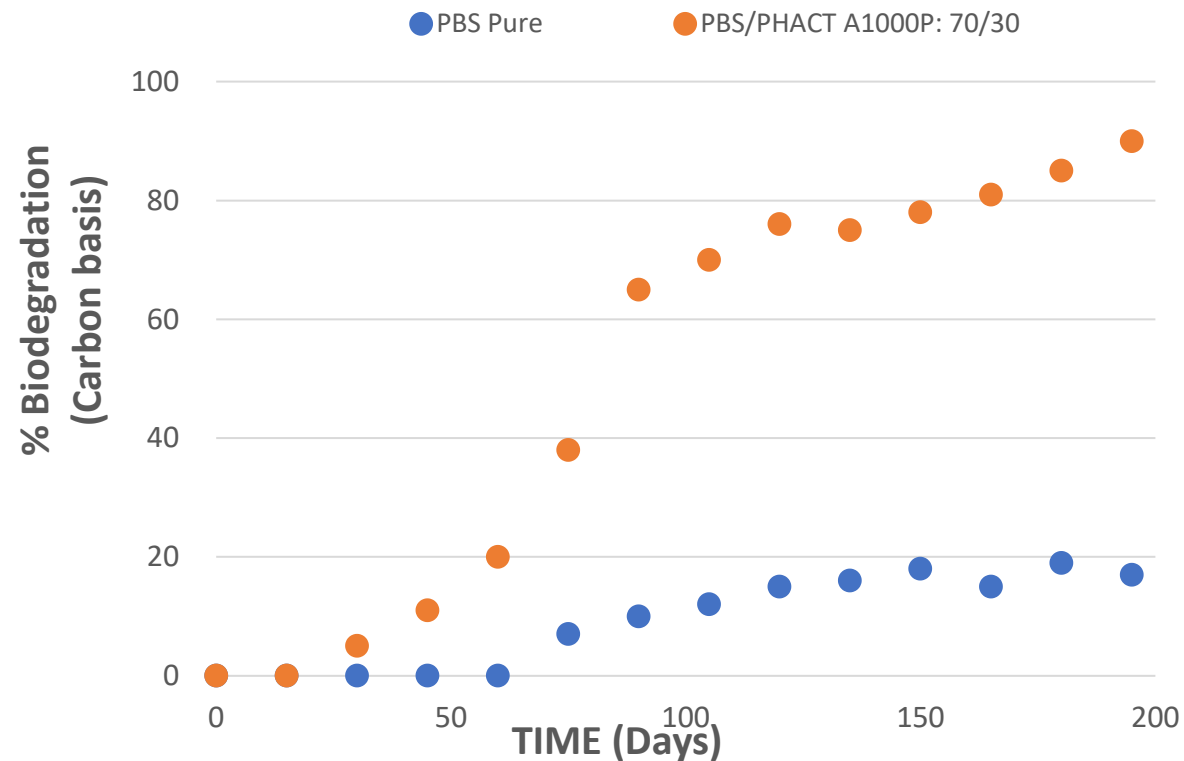


PE

PBAT Comp'd

PBAT + PHA

## % Biodegradation PBS at Room Temperature



## Value Proposition of Amorphous PHA (PHACT A1000P) with PBS

- Enable home composting of PBS
- Enhanced tear propagation resistance of PBS films
- Increase in bio-based carbon content
- Excellent blown and cast film processing and performance

## All PHA Applications

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### 3-D Printing



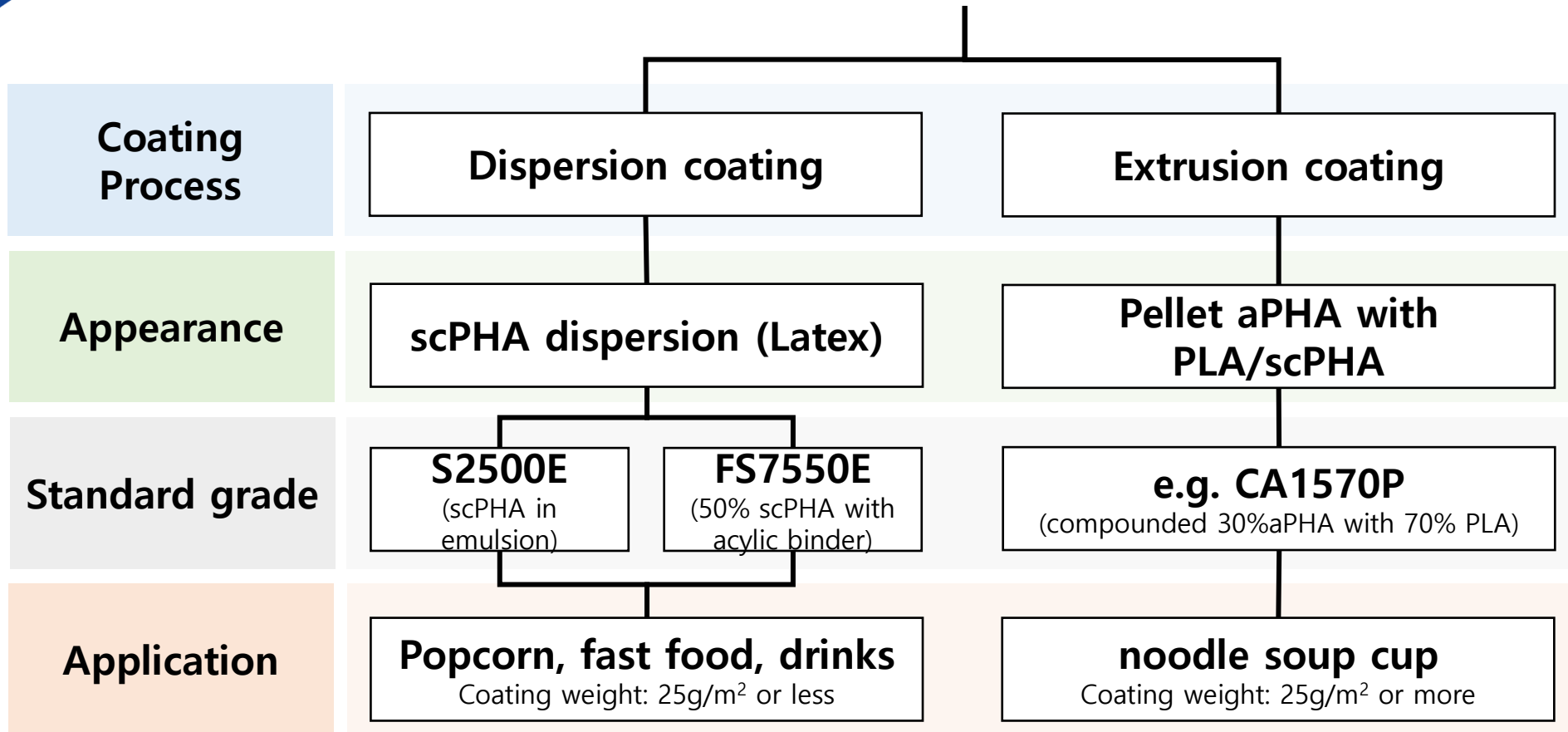
### Marine compostable bottles



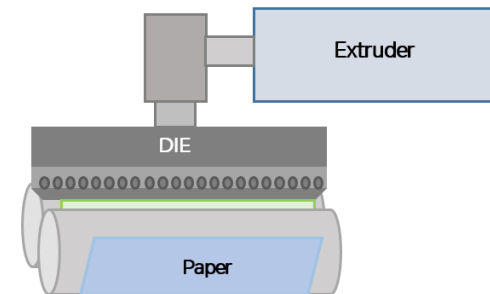
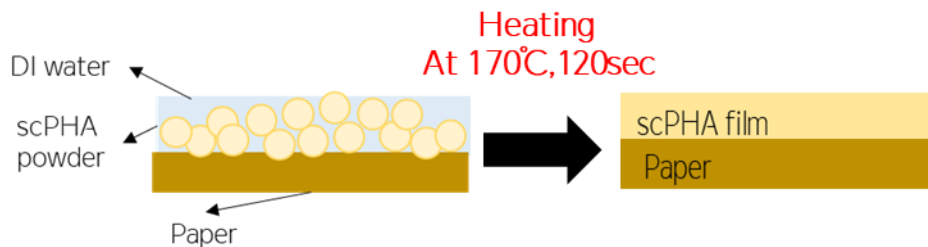
California legislation against microplastics puts focus on faster compostable products:

“A new water bottle from a startup called [Cove](#) looks like it’s made from ordinary plastic. But it’s the first of its kind to be made from a blend of PHA, a type of bio-based plastic that’s designed to break down when it’s composted”

Source: <https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/cove-the-worlds-first-biodegradable-water-bottle-is-hitting-shelves-on-dec-1st-301678530.html>



- Compostable
- Repulpable
- Biobased
- Dispersion coating



- ✓ Monolayer film extrusion (blown or cast)
- ✓ Multilayer film co-extrusion (blown or cast)
- ✓ Sheet extrusion - Thermoforming
- ✓ Injection/Blow molding
- ✓ Fibres & NonWovens
- ✓ Paper coating (extrusion or dispersion)



**01**  
**FLEXIBLE PACKAGING**  
(SHOPPING, COMPOSTING BAGS)



**02**  
**RIGID PACKAGING**  
(FOOD CONTAINER, COFFEE CAPSULE, STRAW)



**03**  
**PAPER COATING**  
(CARDBOARD, PAPER CUPS COATING)



**04**  
**AGRICULTURE**  
(NURTURE POTS, MULCHING FILM, SHADES,, CLIPS, HOOKS  
CROP PROTECTION and GEOTEXTILES)



**05**  
**3D FILAMENT, OTHER FILAMENT**  
(FISHING NET, POLYMER MODIFIERS)



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Global Organization for PHA

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# THANK YOU!

Amorphous PHA:  
Biobased, Improved functionality  
and faster compostability



## PHACT - improved functionality and biodegradation

### Biodegradable

- Soil (Ambient)
- Home Compost
- Industrial Compost
- Fresh Water
- Marine Water
- Anaerobic

### Products and Applications

PHAs can be compounded and processed using conventional plastics processing equipment.



### Biobased

Sugar used as feedstock  
Other sources demonstrated

### Fermentation

Microbial engineering enables high polymer (PHA) accumulation in microbes.

### Recovery

High Purity polymer is recovered and converted into usable form for downstream processing