

Solutions for high-purity chemicals

Green Chemicals deserve sustainable purification

Perfect pitch and boost the European Bio-economy event, November 7, 2018, Brussels



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SoliQz B.V. is a Rotterdam, NL based SME providing services and equipment for purification of (bio-based) chemicals

by bringing together:

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- the proven Hydraulic Wash Column (HWC) technology from TNO,
- the state-of-art crystallisers and plant design/building experience from Armstrong-Chemtec.

Present status:

- Founded in November 2013, 5 FTE's in 2018
- Armstrong-Chemtec (US/UK engineering company) as main shareholder
- Fully scalable technology with two industrial scale plants delivered;
- Partner in H2020 FIRST2RUN BBI-JU project
- Rapidly growing funnel of opportunities
- Pilot plant operational at PlantOne in Rotterdam (customer testing)
- Projected sales of 6-9 MM€'s (0,4 MM in 2018; 1,2 MM target in 2019)

HWC combines Solid-Liquid separation with highly efficient counter-current washing





15 cm Hydraulic Wash Column operating with para-xylene

Pitch SoliQz @ Cross-border matchmaking and networking event Brussels (Belgium), November 7, 2018

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Melt crystallisation in combination with Hydraulic Wash Column: low cost process for high purity

Compound	[Impurity] Mother Liquor	[Impurity] Product	Melting T (°C)	Viscosity (mPa.s)
Para-xylene	10.8 wt%	0.07 wt%	13	0.7
Acrylic acid	4.8 wt%	0.04 wt%	13	1.25
Para-dichlorobenzene	5.98 wt%	0.025 wt%	53	1.0
Maleic Anhydride	4.03 wt%	0.03 wt%	53	2.4
Naphthalene	10.0 wt%	0.02 wt%	80	0.94
Ice/MgSO ₄	27.7 g/l	0.032 g/l	0	1

- Over <u>20 years</u> experience with HWC at pilot and industrial scale: successful tests for <u>more than 50 chemicals</u>
- <u>HWC product typically contains 100-1000 lower concentration of impurities</u> than the mother liquor in which the crystals were grown
- Proven in <u>broad T- (-50 to +100°C) and η-range (0.35 to 50 mPa.s)</u>

Scale up and scale down of HWC

Code	Diameter (cm)	# filter tubes	Typical production capacity (kg/hr)
HWC-2	2 New	0	1-10
HWC-8	8 New pilot plant	1	5-175
HWC-15	15	6	50-650
HWC-30	30 (in industry)	16	200-2500
HWC-55	55 (in industry)	50	1000-9000
HWC-110	110	200	4000-36000





Scale-up principle

Increase diameter and keep filtration area around tubes constant



Candidates for purification by (melt) crystallization and HWC-technology

The potential to be purified by (melt) crystallization and HWC technology has been proven/identified for more than 450 chemicals, including e.g.:

Bio-Based Chemicals

- Itaconic Acid •
- Succinic Acid •
- Cinnamic Acid •
- Levullinic Acid ٠ •
- DDDA •
- Lactide •
- Glyoxylic Acid ۲
- Sebacic Acid •

- Lactic Acid
- FDCA
- Butanediol
 - Azelaic Acid
- HMF
- Adipic Acid Fumaric Acid
 - Malic Acid

Bulk and fine Chemicals

- Caprolactam
- Phosphoric Acid •
- Maleic Anhydride
- N-Vinyl Pyrollidone
- Phthalic Anhydride •
- Naphthalene
- **Benzoic Acid**
- **Di-aminohexane**
- **Methacrylic Acid**

- Acrylic Acid
- Phenol
- MD
- PDCB
 - PNCB
- ONCB
- TDI
- NaOH·1 H₂O

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Your product not on the above lists? Ask for a free desk evaluation

Producers of specialty and bio-based chemicals get high purity (upto 99,9%) products in a continuous, single step process and with:

Reduced OPEX:

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- Energy savings of 20% up to 90% versus distillation
- No use of solvents
- No wash liquid consumption.

Reduced CAPEX:

- Truly continuous process with throughput up to 36 MT crystals per m2/hr.

Operational benefits:

- Reliable operations, lower maintenance: NO rotating/moving parts.
- Stable operation due to intrinsic self-correction of the process



BIO BASED POLYOLS for the polyurethane industry











How its made?





THE MARKET



- polyol market \$ 21 bn
- annual growth 8,5%
- Bio polyol market **\$ 2,88 bn**
- Annual growth 9,5%
- Shifting market trend

INDUSTRY PROBLEM



Industry can not satisfy **growing market demand** for reasonably priced **bio based products**.

- **Growing** Bio product demand
- **Expensive** Bio polyol alternatives
- High CO2 footprint
- No access to green markets
- No eco certification
- **Dependance** of crude oil price





TECHNOLOGY



NATURAL OILS POLYLABS TECHNOLOGY BIO POLYOLS

- One step process
- Wasteless technology
- Resource efficient

VALUE PROPOSITION





- Price match to fossil based
- High % renewable content
- Access to green markets
- Reduced CO2 footprint
- ECO certificate compliant
- Save \$ in PU production
- Technical advantages

THE TEAM



Kristiāns Grundštoks

Founder, CEO Background in law, experience in sales and international business



Edgars Vanags R&D

Organic chemistry and polyol development specialist



Miķelis Kirpļuks *Co-founder, R&D* Experienced polyurethane scientist



ADVISORS

Dr. Daniel Auriel Advisor

15+ years experience in chemicals & materials incl. Bayer, StoraEnso, EEnergy, Capricorn venture partners



Dr. Ugis Cabulis *SB member, advisor* Director of the Institute of wood chemistry of Latvia



TIMELINE

- Founded in 2014
- Total investment 200 k EUR
- 3 products ready, 2 in development
- Production capacity 3000 t/year
- Sales channels in 19 countries
- Revenue 2017 11 k EUR
- Revenue 2018 72k EUR
- Production expansion in 2019 to 10 000 t/year



Polylabs production facility





FUNDING OPPORTUNITY 5 m EUR



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water, energy & environment

Bio sulphuric acid as a potential fungicide and/or herbicide

Aleksandra Alicja Kulagowska

7 November 2018

Pitch perfect and boost the European Bio-Economy Cross-border pitching, matchmaking and networking event

Date: Wednesday 7th November 2018 Location: Sheraton Brussels Airport Hotel, Brussels Airport, Belgium Matchmaking & networking event enabled by:



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- I. Colsen introduction
- II. Biogas treatment genesis of the idea
- III. Sulphur in Biogas into a valuable product



I. Colsen - introduction

Bullet points:



- Consultancy agency and construction & engineering Company in the water, energy and environment sectors <u>www.colsen.nl</u>
- * ~30 years of experience
- Products:



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- Nitrogen recovery and removal from wastewater,
- Phosphorus recovery,
- Biogas production (TD, UASB),
- Biogas treatment



II. Biogas treatment – genesis of the idea

BIDOX[®]-> **Bi**ological biogas **D**esulphurization by **Ox**idation









Flush water -> diluted bio-sulphuric acid (pH ~ 1.5) with traces of elemental sulphur

<u>www.colsen.nl</u>

III. Sulphur in Biogas into a valuable product



BIDOX[®] has a huge market: ⇒Anaerobic wastewater treatment (UASB) ⇒Potato's industry ⇒Paper industry ⇒Slaughterhouses ⇒Dairy industry ⇒Fruit & vegetables industry

The Netherlands	9
Belgium	2
Spain	2
Itali	2
USA	3
UK	1
Cech Republic	1
Totaal	20

⇒Thermophilic digestion of industrial organics
⇒Thermophilic digestion & co-digestion of manure
⇒Thermophilic sludge digestion
⇒Landfill gas

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III. Sulphur in Biogas into a valuable product



What =>

BIDOX[®] bio-sulphuric acid possible application as herbicide/pesticide/fungicide... **Potential in NI:**

Potential in NI: 7610 m³ of diluted bio-H₂SO₄/day => 2,7 million m³/year

Why => (ordinary) H₂SO₄ was used in the past (and it was working)
Strong pH shift shows fungicides and weed suppression potential
Systemic products for fungicides and weed control (glyphosate based) need an alternative

Where are we => Beginning of the research process, new partners are more than welcome...







() WHO WE ARE

- Industrial company, created in January 2012, specialized in enzymatic extraction of plant origin natural ingredients
- 9 people including 4 PhD & 3 engineers
- 250 plants studied 80 R&D contracts 6 patents
- Catalog of 22 cosmetic ingredients et 2 nutraceutical ingredients

- Present in 25 countries through distribution network and partners
- Our Business activity: design, develop, produce and Commercialize natural ingredients for Cosmetic and Nutraceutical markets
- Our proposal:
 - Development of our own ingredients
 - Service delivery (R&D, patent licence, production)

C HOW TO GET THE BEST OF A PLANT ?









ADVANTAGES OF OUR TECHNOLOGY

Sustainable technology: solvent-free and organic compound-free → Possibility to get certifications: ORGANIC, COSMOS...

« Biomimicry »: technology inspired by nature and worldwide patented

Biorefinery: the only technology that produces several natural ingredients through a one-step extraction: a vegetable oil, an aqueous extract and a solid fraction.

Specificity of the extraction: naturally enriched oils and innovative and differentiating aqueous extracts with enhanced efficiency.

China list and Plants Decree



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Kitosano

High-quality Chitosans from Crayfish waste

José Luis Grau, CEO

The Problem

 The lack of high-quality chitosans is hampering innovation is emerging key industries Chitosan and derivatives are found n

- wound healing dressings
- orthopaedic scaffolds
- nerve regrowth and protection tubes
- O Dental / bracket protection coatings

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The Problem

- Bio-degradable solutions are needed for plastic ban
- Chitosan based materials are promising alternatives to plastics (e.g. food packaging foils

The Problem

• EU's dependency from a critical raw material

- Chitosan is mostly produced in South East Asia
- no EU manufacturer covering the whole process chain
The Problem

 Illegal crayfish waste disposal risks at creating severe environmental problems at the outskirts of the Doñana National Park





- OKitoSano aims at producing bio-based, high-end chitosan in economic competitive and eco-friendly way.
- O The production will be Andalusia, one of Europe's region with the highest unemployment rate

The value proposal



The Market

- World: market for Chitosan \$2000 million in 2015, two digit annual growth rates over the past five years
- Europe: 10.6% of the global production or 3896 metric tons
- food, healthcare & medical and cosmetics are the sectors with the highest growth rates



US Consumption in 2018 in Metric Tons

The Project

OPhase 1: R&D

O completed

OPhase 2: Scale-Up

OIn progress

OPhase 3: Production

OUnder planning

What we are looking for



Unicorn

Purpose:	Exponential growth
Outcome:	Monopoly
Focus:	Quantity
Method:	Competition
Measure:	User acquisition



Purpose:	Sustainable prosperity
Outcome:	Community
Focus:	Quality
Method:	Collaboration
Measure:	User success

Thank you for you attention

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Join the Industry User Group Today!

Dr. Ir. Sophie Roelants Project Coordinator Biosurfactants InBio/BBEPP















01. Surfactants: applications?



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01. Surfactants: applications and market







01. Origin of surfactants







NON biobased surfactants < 5 % biomass derived



PARTLY biobased surfactants +/- 40 % biomass derived



FULLY biobased surfactants > 95 % biomass derived





01. Biological production: fermentation











01. Microbial biosurfactants



MEDIUM IN:

- Proteins (nitrogen)
- Sugars (carbon)
- Vitamines
- Salts
- Water



SUBSTRATES

- CO₂

Fermentation

- Cells
- Metabolites
- Unused medium/ substrates
- Water











02. Workhorse: Starmerella bombicola









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02. Sophorolipids: commercial reality







>> Sophorolipids

REWOFERM®



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- Produced by yeasts
- Low foaming surfactant
- Mild antimicrobial properties (anti acne, anti odor,...),
- Antiviral, cancer, ...
- Applications: detergents and cosmetics
- Part of the Carbosurf project (UGent, InBio.be)



EVONIK





NON biobased surfactants

PARTLY biobased surfactants

FULLY biobased surfactants



Microbial biobased surfactants: < 0.1 %











03. Solving the bottlenecks



Genetic Engineering



INCREASE

- Variety
- Uniformity
- Efficiency

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Integrated process design -IPD- to bring IB to market





Microbial biosurfactant portfolio InBio.be & BBEPP:

\Rightarrow Opportunities

- Increased (unique) variety
- Efficient production
- Toolboxes available for further development
- \Rightarrow Bottlenecks
- Variety still limited
- Products not available
- No or little product information available
- No directed development possible due to lack of knowledge





Join the Industry User Group Today!

<u>http://www.fbbv.be/en/registration-</u> industry-user-group-applisurf-project



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Thank you!











Hydroxymethylfurfural (HMF) from organic residues



Paul Körner









Fossil Resources

Organic residues











HMF = platform chemical = formed by the dehydration of hexoses (carbohydrates)







"Nylon from Chicory"



Research station "Unterer Lindenhof" location of Biorefinery Technikum











The team



Our competences:

- Platform chemicals
 - HMF
 - Phenols
 - Furfural
- Hydrothermal carbonisation (HTC)
 - Hydrochar
 - Activated char
 - Electrodes for supercapacitors
 - Direct carbon fuel cells
- Pyrolysis
- Nutrient recycling
 - Phosphate from sewage sludge or manure
- Extraction processes
 - Valuable products from algae
150 Jahre culture of excellence

Designed (Agro)chemicals Produced in Cells

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Sustainable Terpenoids vs Extraction from Natrual Sources



Nicotiana sylvestirs woodland Tabacco

α-Cembrantrien-ol Insect deterrent



Piper cubeba Tailed pepper



Cubebol

Potent cooling agent / insect deterrent





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Cembrantriene-ol - Insect deterrents



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ТШП

Cubebol – Cooling Agent



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