



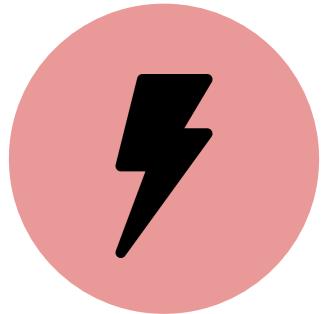
# Carbon Upcycled

**Electrocatalytic-Thermocatalytic Conversion of  
 $\text{CO}_2$  to Carbon Nanofibers**

# Three key challenges limit carbon dioxide removal

We must reduce annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by **54% before 2030** to realize < 1.5 °C warming (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change)

Energy-intensity



Permanence



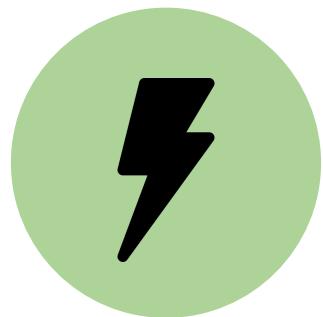
Cost



# Carbon Upcycled solves the key CDR challenges

**Brookhaven National Laboratory:** CO<sub>2</sub> fixation into carbon nanofibres using electrochemical–thermochemical tandem catalysis

Energy-intensity



Self-Sustaining Reaction

Permanence



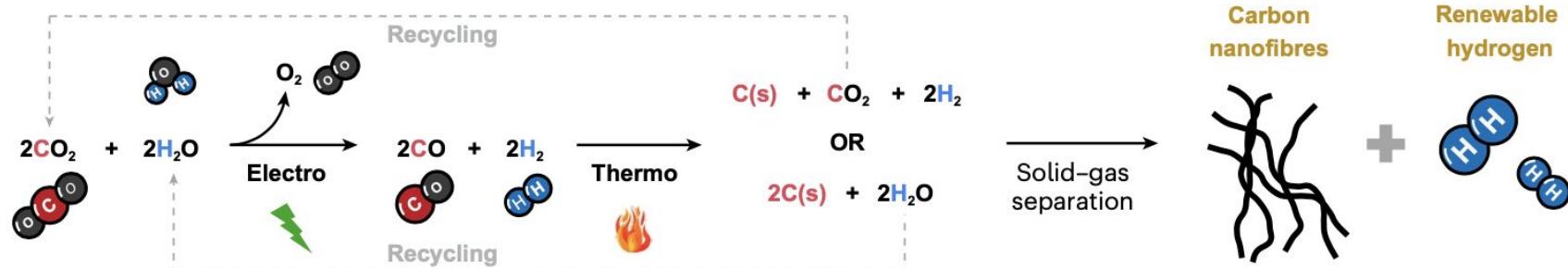
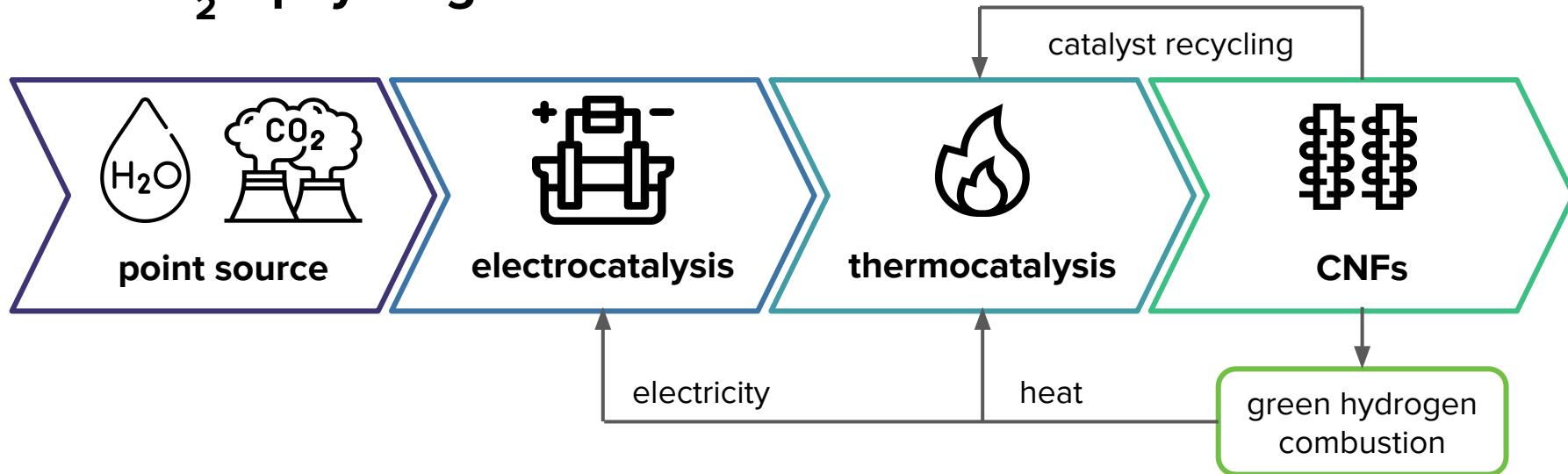
Solid Carbon Sequestration

Cost



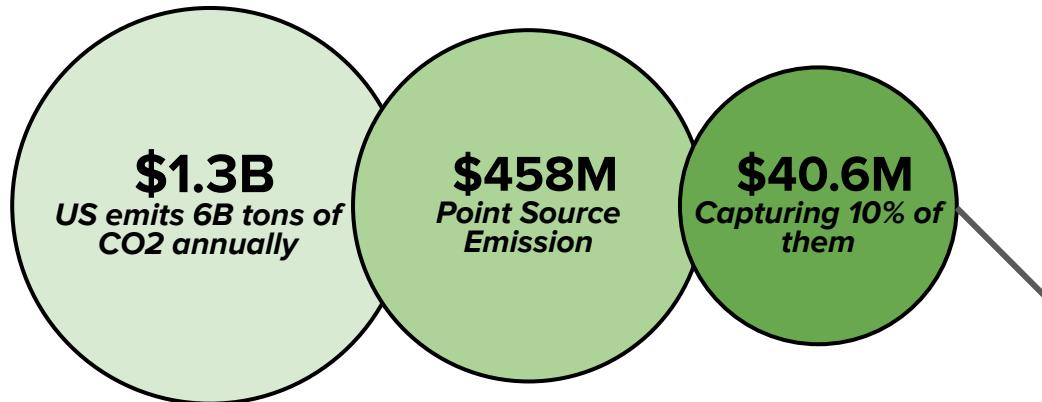
CO<sub>2</sub> Valorization

# The CO<sub>2</sub> Upcycling Process

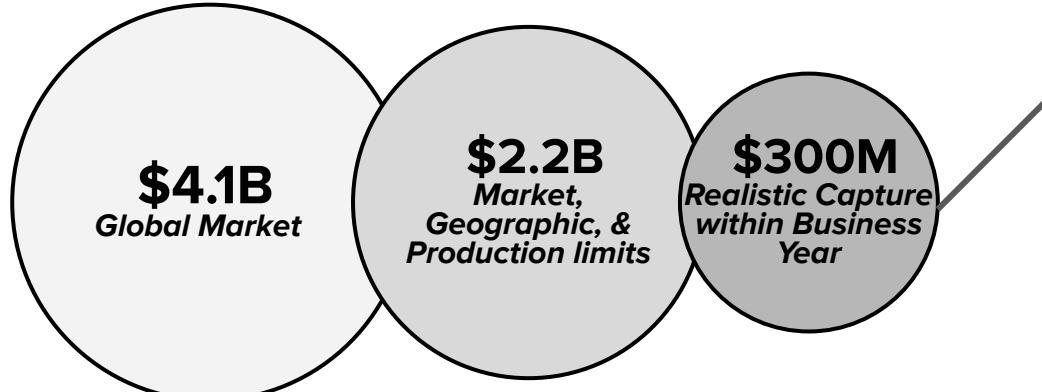


# Carbon Upcycled captures both CDR & CNF market

## CDR Market



## CNF Market



# Carbon Upcycled provides unique value to our customers

## Heavy CO<sub>2</sub> Emitters

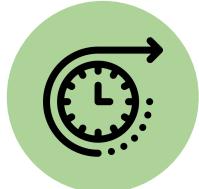
### Customer Incentives



Regulations



45Q Tax Credit



Future-Proofing

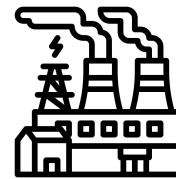


Brand Image



Lower Cost

### Target Market



Power Plants

**5316 tons**  
CO<sub>2</sub> emitted

**10.4%**  
capture

**552 tons**  
CO<sub>2</sub> captured

**\$19 k**  
tax credit

# Carbon Upcycled provides unique value in CDR Market

	Carbon Upcycled	Carbon Valorization	Carbon Capture	Carbon Utilization
CO <sub>2</sub> Capture	✓	✗	✓	✗
Energy-Efficient	✓	✗	✓	✗
Permanent Sequestration	✓	✗	✗	✗
CO <sub>2</sub> Valorization	✓	✓	✗	✗
Profitability	✓	✓	✓	✓



# Carbon Upcycled will profit through two markets



**Primary Market**  
tandem CDR reactors



**Secondary Market**  
carbon nanofiber

# Primary Market: CDR Reactors

1

2

## Revenue-Sharing Model

Tier 1

\$1,500,000 per reactor

+

20% of CNF revenue

Tier 2

\$1,000,000 per reactor

+

10% of CNF revenue

Tier 3

\$750,000 per reactor

+

0% of CNF revenue

### Key Benefits



Reduced cost of CDR technologies



Tailor pricing to different companies



Direct customer relationship

# Secondary Market: Low-Cost CNF

1

2

Current CNF production methods are expensive and don't produce at high volumes.

## Target Markets



Chemical  
Industry



Energy

**\$105.2 M**

CAGR 15.0%

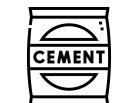
**Exxon**



Electronics



Aerospace



Cement

**\$142.4 M**

CAGR 8.8%

**exelon<sup>SM</sup>**

**\$74.5 M**

CAGR 12.0%

**intel®**

**\$12.4M**

CAGR 7.3%

**CEMEX**

**\$11.4 M**

CAGR 3.7%

**CEMEX**

# Carbon Upcycled's roadmap to revolutionize CO<sub>2</sub> removal

We are here

FUNDING

**July - Launch of Prototype**

**January - Garnered Interest**  
from UPenn, Columbia, and  
Industry Professionals

**August - Strategic Partnership**  
with Industry Leaders

**2025-2027 Growing**  
R&D + Legal Team  
Development;  
180 Reactors Sold

# Our Team



**Colby Snyder**

UPenn VIPER '26  
*Chemical Engineering  
and Physics*



**Chloe Ng**

UPenn VIPER '26  
*Chemical Engineering  
and Earth Science*



**Kyle Zhang**

UPenn M&T '26  
*Business and  
Computer Science*

## Mentors



**Jingguang Chen**

*Brookhaven National Lab and  
Columbia University*



**Zhenhua Xie**

*Columbia University*



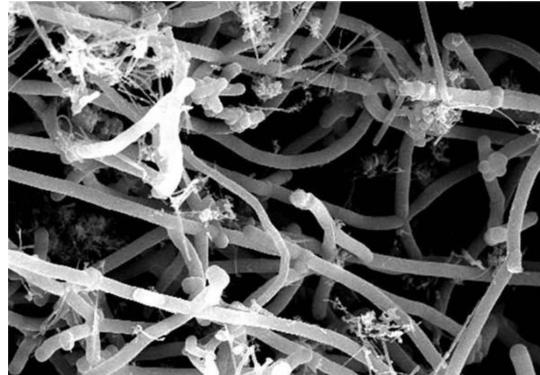
**Gad Allon**

*The Wharton School*

# Social Impact



Protecting Industrial Jobs



Supplying Advanced Materials



Halting Climate Change

# **Appendix**

**Carbon Upcycled**

# If all goes wrong, \$400M Gross Profit in three years

Over 1.5x of predicted costs and under 10% market penetration of BOTH CDR reactors AND CNF than already predicted.

P&L	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
<b>Net Sales</b>	<b>\$105,662,000</b>	<b>\$169,656,800</b>	<b>\$195,544,324</b>
<b>COGS</b>	<b>\$18,360,000</b>	<b>\$25,920,000</b>	<b>\$25,920,000</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$87,302,000</b>	<b>\$143,736,800</b>	<b>\$169,624,324</b>
<b>Exp. etc.</b>	<b>\$19,685,681</b>	<b>\$26,605,770</b>	<b>\$29,093,991</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$67,616,319</b>	<b>\$117,131,030</b>	<b>\$140,530,333</b>

**\$400M Gross Profit; \$320M Net Income**

By year 1, we plan to have exponentially more leverage for the business, expecting over \$1.4B in revenue in the next three years, and possibly exponentially more

# Our Three Years Detailed

**CAPEX**  
\$840,000

Property, Plant, and Equipment (PP&E): land, lab, machinery and lab equipment  
Inventory: Long Term Materials used in the development of reactors

**Expenses**  
\$1,247,541

R&D: annually growing by 50%  
Shipping  
Miscellaneous

**Personnel**  
\$1,465,771

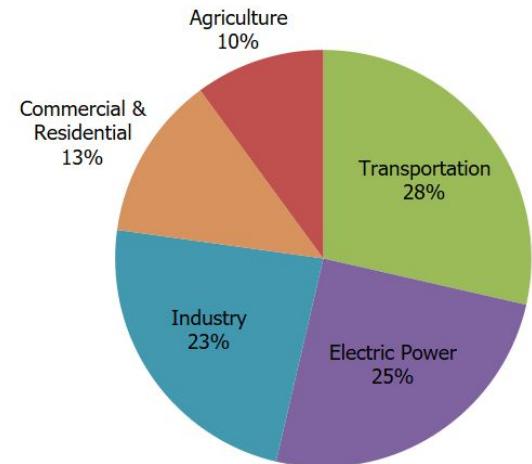
+6 Engineers  
+1-2 Corporate Lawyers

**Sales**  
\$400,663,124

Reactor: \$1.5M worth of carbon credit reduction (costs \$367k to make)  
CNF: \$1k / kg (current market is at \$6k / kg)  
5 Cement Plants → 10 Cement Plants

# **CO<sub>2</sub> removal is vital, but current approaches aren't enough**

- Industrial sector is responsible for **35%** of U.S. energy consumption and **23%** of carbon emissions, and power generation is responsible for an **additional 25%** of emissions.
- CO<sub>2</sub> accelerates global warming, which **disproportionately harms vulnerable populations** in the U.S. and beyond
- Existing carbon capture approaches are **energy intensive, require scarce materials, or fail to permanently sequester carbon**



# Carbon Upcycled Reactor Performance Metrics

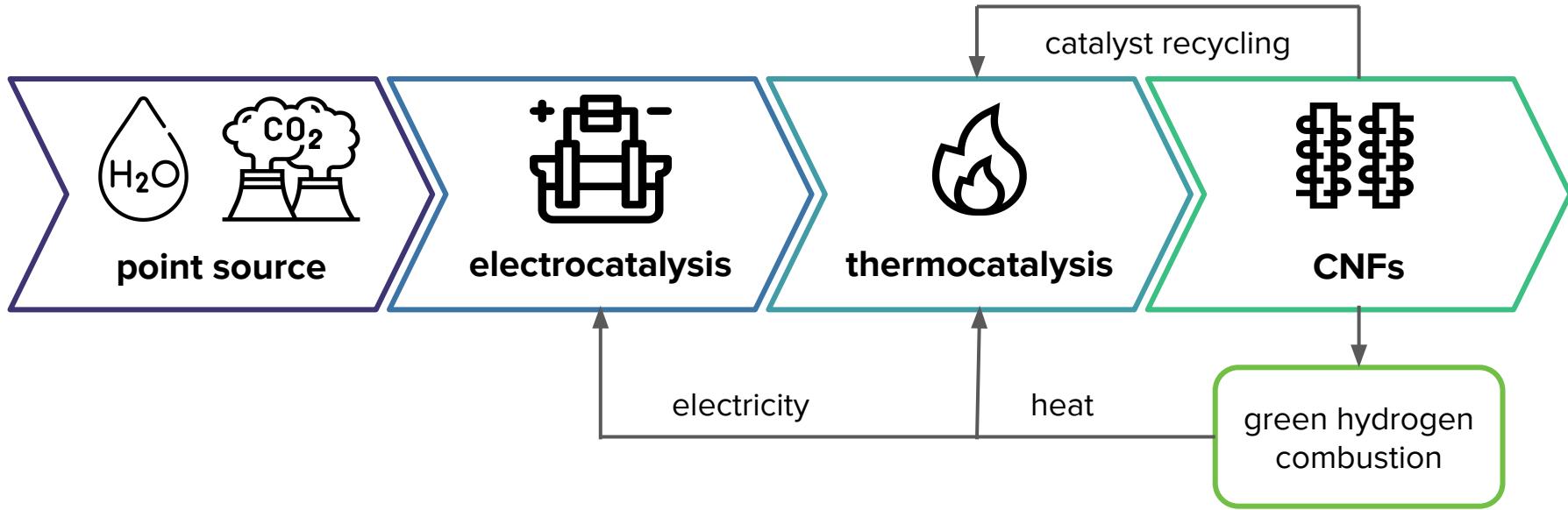
## Amount of CO<sub>2</sub> released by typical 500 MW Natural Gas Power Plant:

- 12 GWh/day \* 443 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MWh = **5316 tonnes CO2/day** or 2 megatonnes/year

## Amount of CO<sub>2</sub> removed by Carbon Upcycled Reactor:

- 1 g of catalysts can remove 46 g CO<sub>2</sub> per hour (Brookhaven National Lab)
- 500 kg catalysts in our full-scale reactor = 23 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/hr = **552 tonnes/day**
  - 10.4% of daily carbon output
- 1 m<sup>3</sup> reactor would cost **367k** (based on price of catalyst, process units, and mechanical components) and house 500 kg catalyst

# The CO<sub>2</sub> upcycling process in detail



1. **CO<sub>2</sub> abatement:** 1 m<sup>3</sup> reactor installed at point source
2. **Pd(C) electrocatalysis** of  $\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{CO} + \text{H}_2 + \text{O}_2$  (105 kWh/kg CNF)
3. **FeCo thermocatalysis** of  $\text{CO} + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{C}_{\text{nf}} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$  (56 kWh/kg CNF)
4. **CNFs separated** by filtration and magnets, enabling 100% catalyst recovery
5. **Self-sustaining reaction:** excess H<sub>2</sub> combusted to power reaction (-161 kWh/kg CNF)

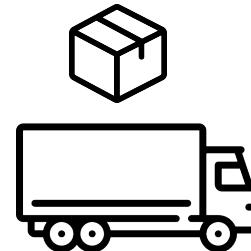
# Direct-to-consumer distribution minimizes emissions

## CNF Distribution

1. Determine closest partner



2. Utilize local courier services



Limiting CNF transportation maximizes Carbon Upcycled's CDR potential

# Carbon Nanofibers

## Chemical Industries

### Catalysts

- Utilizes high surface area and electrical conductivity → enhance dispersion of catalysts and facilitate electron transfer
- *ie production of fine chemicals, pharmaceuticals, and air and water purification*

### Adsorbents

- Utilizes porous structure and high surface area
- *ie treatment of industrial effluents, water purification, and air purification*

## Renewable Energy

### Energy Storage Devices

- Utilizes high electrical conductivity and mechanical strength
- *ie lithium-ion batteries, super capacitors, and other energy storage devices*

### Photovoltaics

- Utilized to create more lightweight, flexible, and enhanced photovoltaic materials

### Fuel Cells

- Utilized as catalysts supports for electrochemical reactions that generate electricity