

Straw

and other lignified agricultural residues

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Brown fibers

for corrugated board & packaging



White fibers

for graphic papers

Steam processes
(steam explosion/refining)

Horizontal tube digester

No chemicals

(3)

Na_2CO_3

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Na_2CO_3 & O_2

(2)

NaOH

(1)

Brown grades

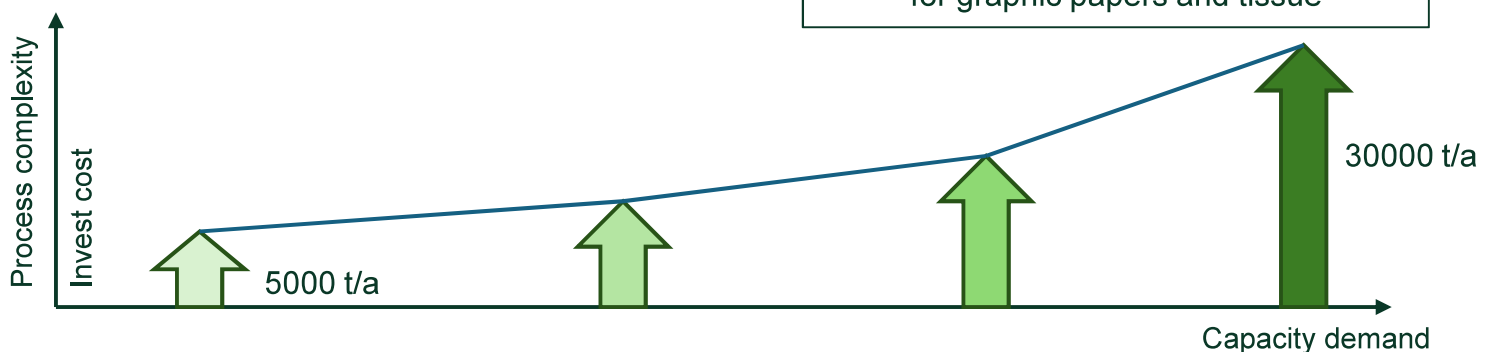
for board and packaging (e.g. corrugated board)

Bleaching

(e.g. O: O_2 & NaOH → A: acid wash (H_2SO_4)
→ P: hydrogen peroxide & NaOH)

White grades

for graphic papers and tissue



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