

Plastic  
Back

# Enabling a Circular Economy

A low temperature, chemical process, that  
converts difficult-to-treat waste streams  
**BACK** to their valuable form.



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Plastic Back Supplies the petrochemical industry with plastic-derived feedstock which is upcycled to create new products.

A unique chemical process is utilized to convert unrecyclable plastic waste to valuable oils . The technology reduces landfilling on one hand, and virgin petroleum feedstock on the other

# Waste policy

In order to address the plastic pollution crisis, business and policymakers are setting hefty targets that are driving demand for recycling solutions worldwide



**370,000,000**

Tons of plastic waste produced annually

Only **12%** recycled

## The EU's Circular Economy Action Plan

Sets the goal of ensuring:

**50%** of all plastic packaging are recycled by 2030

**10%** of municipal waste to be landfill by 2030

### Backed by legislation:



Euro 800/ ton tax on non recycled plastic packaging



Waste export and import bans, such as the import ban imposed by China in 2017



Increased waste collection goals and extended producer responsibility schemes



Plastic credits model

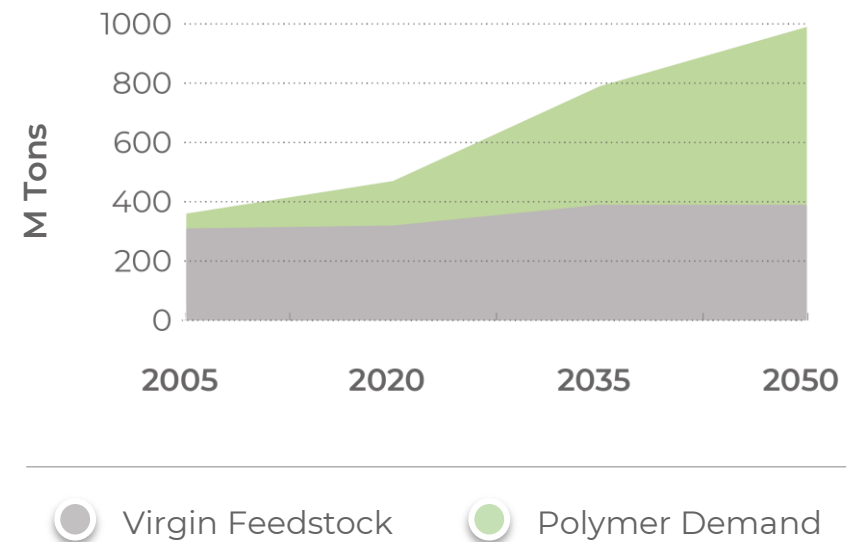
# Polymer production

Projected demand for petrochemical products is expected to drastically grow. Plastic to oil recycling can play a key roll in the prevention of virgin feedstock increase

Even if all projects (lab to commercial scale) are realized by 2025, a capacity of only 4M tons will be reached. Still alot of available market.

[\*Global polymer demand. Mckinsey\*](#)

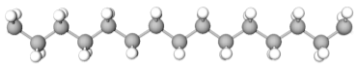
[\*Understanding the sharp rise of advanced recycling. Rabobank\*](#)



# Technology

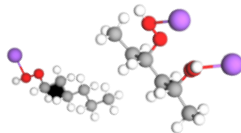
Polymer oxidation and degradation by generating and controlling a SuperOxide attack

Solvents are used to treat the plastic polymer as a pre-oxidation-phase and are recycled back into the process



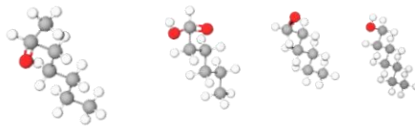
Plastic polymer

SuperOxide radicals are generated by a series of chemicals. The carbon-carbon bonds of the plastic polymer are attacked and oxidized



SuperOxide attack

Short , liquid, Hydrocarbon and oxidated fractions are produced which are suitable for petrochemical integration.



Produced outputs



	MECHANICAL RECYCLING	PYROLYSIS	PLASTIC BACK
MIXED MATERIALS	✗	✓	✓
SACLABLE	✗	✓	✓
CO2 REDUCTION	✓	✓	✓
PVC TOLERANCE	✗	✗	✓
NON THERMAL	✗	✗	✓

Plastic Back can improve energy efficiency for currently treated waste streams. And can address untreated, contaminated waste streams

Pyrolysis: 0.1% Chlorine levels

Plastic Back: No limit !



Energy efficient Conversion occurs  
under 100 °C.  
Competition: 600-1,200 °C.



Unique process that can treat  
'difficult' plastic types including  
PVC, mixed and contaminated

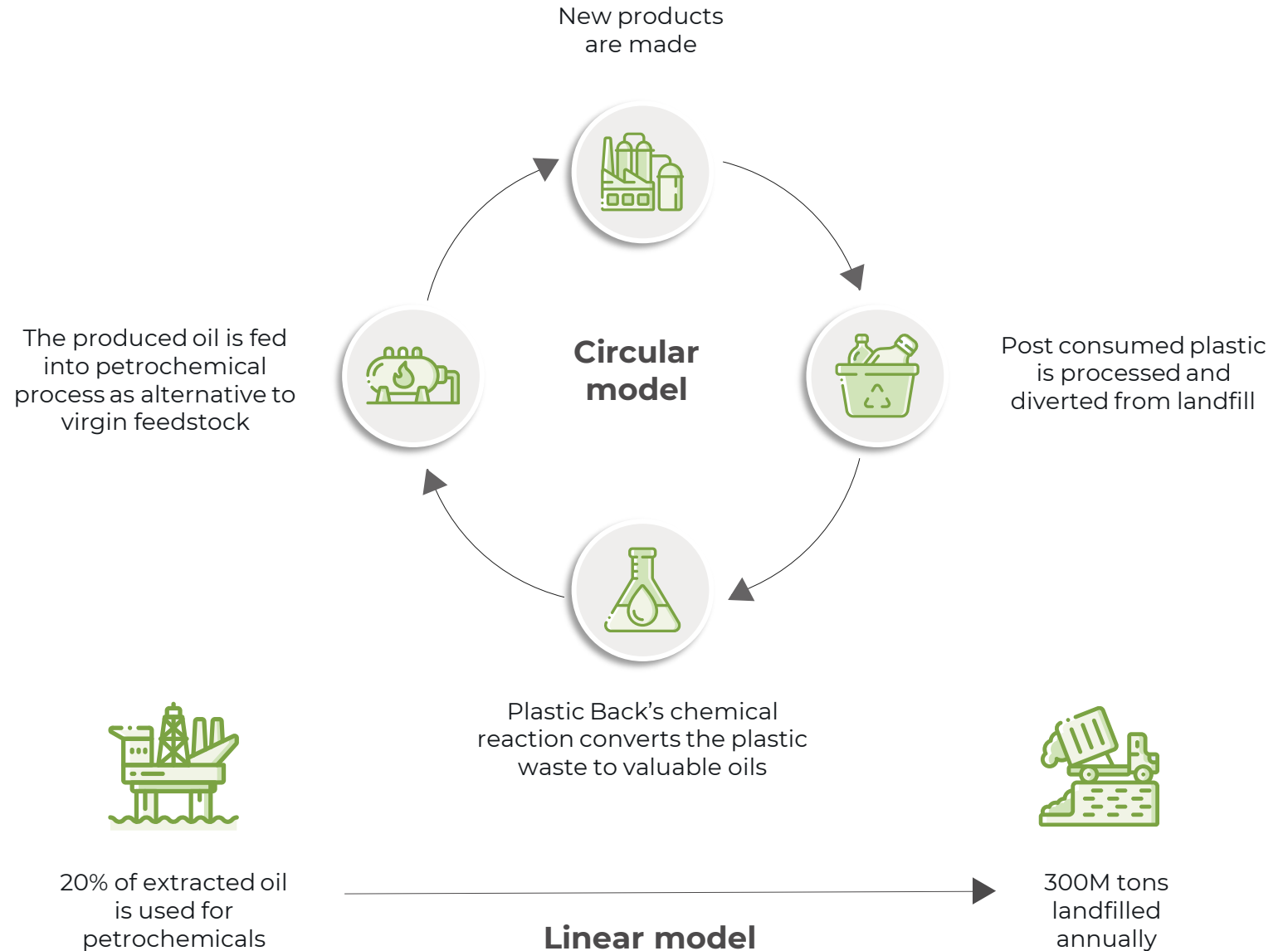


Due to low-temperature conversion,  
CO2 and other GHG emissions are  
substantially reduced

# Linear to circular model

Disrupting a 70-year-old value chain. Plastic Back is positioned to close the loop between waste handlers and the petrochemical industry.

Plastic Back provides the advanced recycling technology to complement mechanical recycling



# R&D scale up roadmap

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## Process optimization

HDPE, LDPE, PVC, mixed  
Specified to customer's need

## Laboratory scale up

2- 5 Kg / cycle  
System engineering

## Pilot

60 Kg / cycle  
Beta site  
Mixed waste streams

Step 3 of the scale up process will  
produce demonstration plant at a  
Material Recycling Facility (MRF)

2021

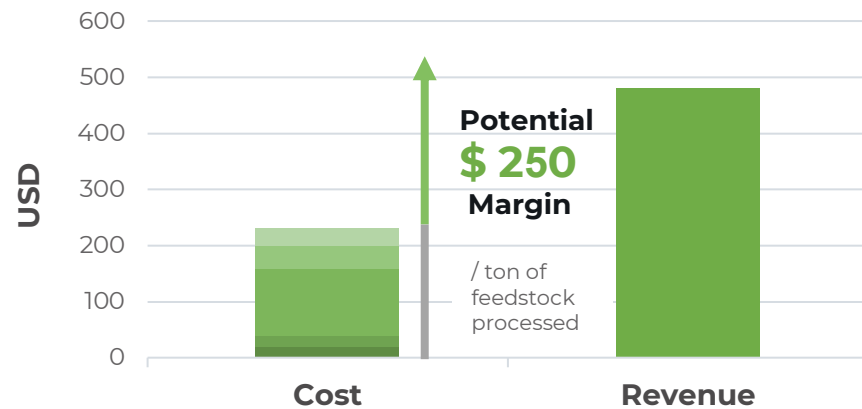
R&D Plan

2023



# Process economics

## Economics per ton of plastic waste



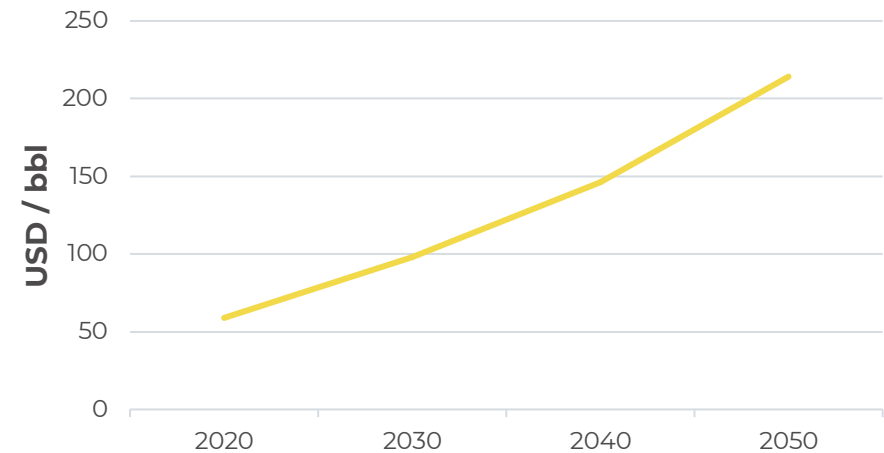
- 9% Feedstock
- 52% Chemicals, electricity
- 13% Maintenance
- 9% Residue disposal
- 17% Labor

**6X** CapEx to Margin Ratio

### Assuming

USD 1,500 capital cost/ metric ton  
80% yield  
USD 600/ ton Naphta price

## Crude oil price projections



Crude oil price forecast

Crude oil prices are projected to quadruple in the coming decades

Premium price above virgin oil due to green alternative (15-20%) is expected

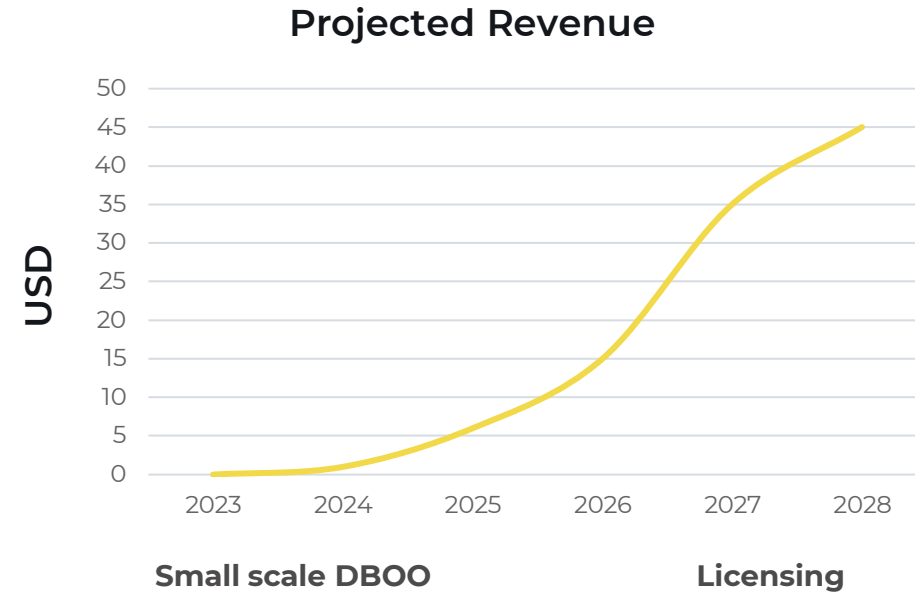
# Business Model

## Joint Venture model

Build Own and Operate (BOO) with:  
Petrochemical company - off taking  
the output.  
Waste handling company - providing  
the feedstock.

## Licensing model

Plastic Back as a technology provider .  
% of output revenue



## Companies already integrating alternative oils

### BASF

20,000 ton /  
year offtake

### BP

60,000 ton /  
year offtake

### Braskem

250,000 ton /  
year by 2025

### INEOS

30,000 ton /  
year

### Neste

55,000 ton /  
year

### Total

80,000 ton /  
year

# Company

Established 2020

Backed by VCs  
and private angel investors

## Intellectual Property:



IP Granted in the US, EU and CN. Covering the major polymers

High potential for additional IP generation

Substantial, unpublished, internal knowhow

## Acceleration program:

PLUGANDPLAY



## EU recognition

In line with EU SDGs



Diverting plastic waste from its final stop at the incineration plant/ landfill.



The more plastic waste processed, the more barrels of oil and gas will be left in the ground



Reducing emissions by allowing an alternative to conventional oil production and incineration process.

# Team

Very strong technical team  
with extensive academic and  
industrial experience, IP  
generation and development.



**Tal Cohen** MBA. CEO  
Renewable energy start-ups  
Biz Dev and project management



**Alex Braun** MBA. COO  
R&D in biodegradable polymers and  
environmental projects



**Uri Stoin** Ph.D. CSO  
Advanced oxidation process,  
green chemistry catalysis



**Noam Steinman** Ph.D. Lead Chemist  
Organic and polymer chemistry



**Ariel Givant** Ph.D. Consultant  
Organic and polymer chemistry  
Alternative fuels



**Prof. Yoel Sasson**  
Advisory Board  
Advanced oxidation process

# Accomplishments



2nd place.  
New Energy Challenge  
by Shell



1st place.  
2050 Circular  
Economy Competition



1st place.  
Carbon Neutral  
competition by HP



1st place.  
Climate Launch Pad.  
Clean tech



1st place  
alternative  
feedstock challenge



2021 Global Future  
Star Award



# Road map

**01.** ——— 2016-2019

**R&D IP development**

**02.** ——— 2020

**Pre seed investment  
first customer PoC**

**03.** ——— 2021

**Governmental grant  
VC investment**

**Euro 600k round**

**04.** ——— 2022

**Scale up**

**05.** ——— 2023

**Pilot plant**

## **Market contacts**

Funded PoC. Shell

LoI. Braskem

MoU. Milliken

# Summary



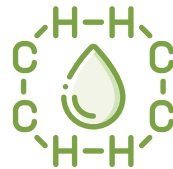
## **An immediate need**

Plastic pollution is a pressing issue affecting countries and natural habitats worldwide.



## **Strong foundations**

Experienced R&D and management team backed by VCs, private investors and governmental grants



## **Innovative technology**

Unique energy efficient process able to close the loop between the waste handling and petrochemical industry



## **Right timing**

Pressing regulation and consumer awareness are pushing towards recycling solutions.



# Enabling a Circular Economy

**Thank You**

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