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Biogas plant in biorefinery concept

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WASTE – WHAT TO DO WITH



➤ **EUROPEAN BIODEGRADABLE WASTE PRODUCTION 13·10⁹ t_{TS} IN 2015**

- **agriculture residues, food wastes, biodegradable municipal solid waste, waste biomass from gardens,...**
- **Typical usage = landfilling, combustion, composting, remain on field**

➤ **DECREASE IN LANDFILLED WASTE BY 65 % TILL 2020**

(European Commission, EU 99/31/ES)

WHAT TO DO WITH?



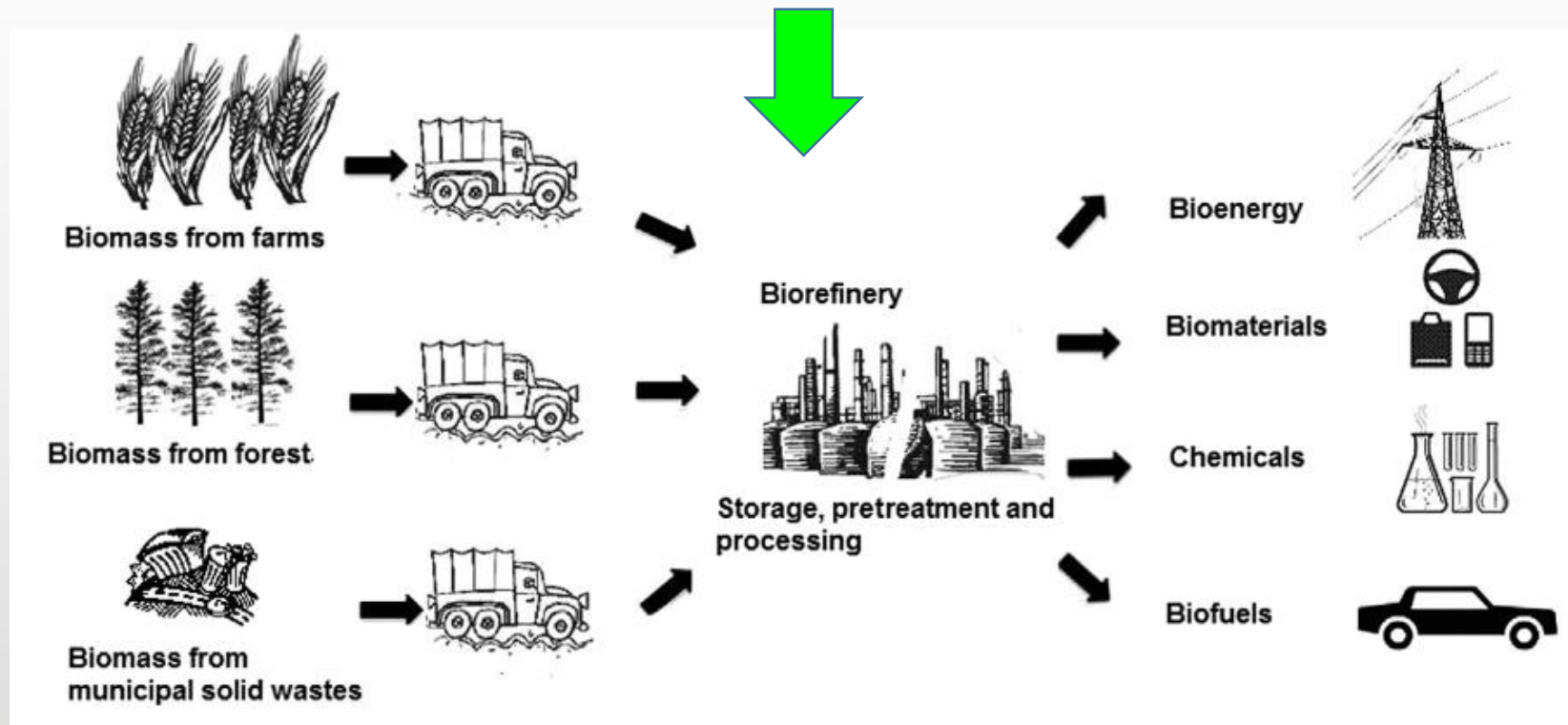
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MOTIVATION FOR BIOREFINERY

- **THERMOCHEMICAL** (*GASIFICATION, PYROLYSIS*) AND **BIOCHEMICAL** (*ALCOHOLIC FERMENTATION, BIOMETHANE, BIOHYDROGEN,...*) **TREATMENT OF WASTES**

WHAT TO PRODUCE, HOW TO TREAT IT, LARGE-SCALE APPLICATION?



**BIOREFINERY = ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY MULTI TECHNOLOGICAL
TREATMENT PARALELLY PRODUCING BIOPRODUCTS, BIOFUELS AND BIENERGY**



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WASTE – HOW TO USE IT?

- **WASTE BIOMASS => ALTERNATIVE ENERGY (*BIOOIL, SYNGAS, BIOMETHAN, BIOHYDROGEN, BIOETHANOL*) AND BIO-CHEMICALS (*SACCHARIDES, ALCOHOLS, ACIDS, FIBRES, ANTIOXIDANTS, ESSENCIAL PRODUCTS, OILS...*)**



EXAMPLES ?

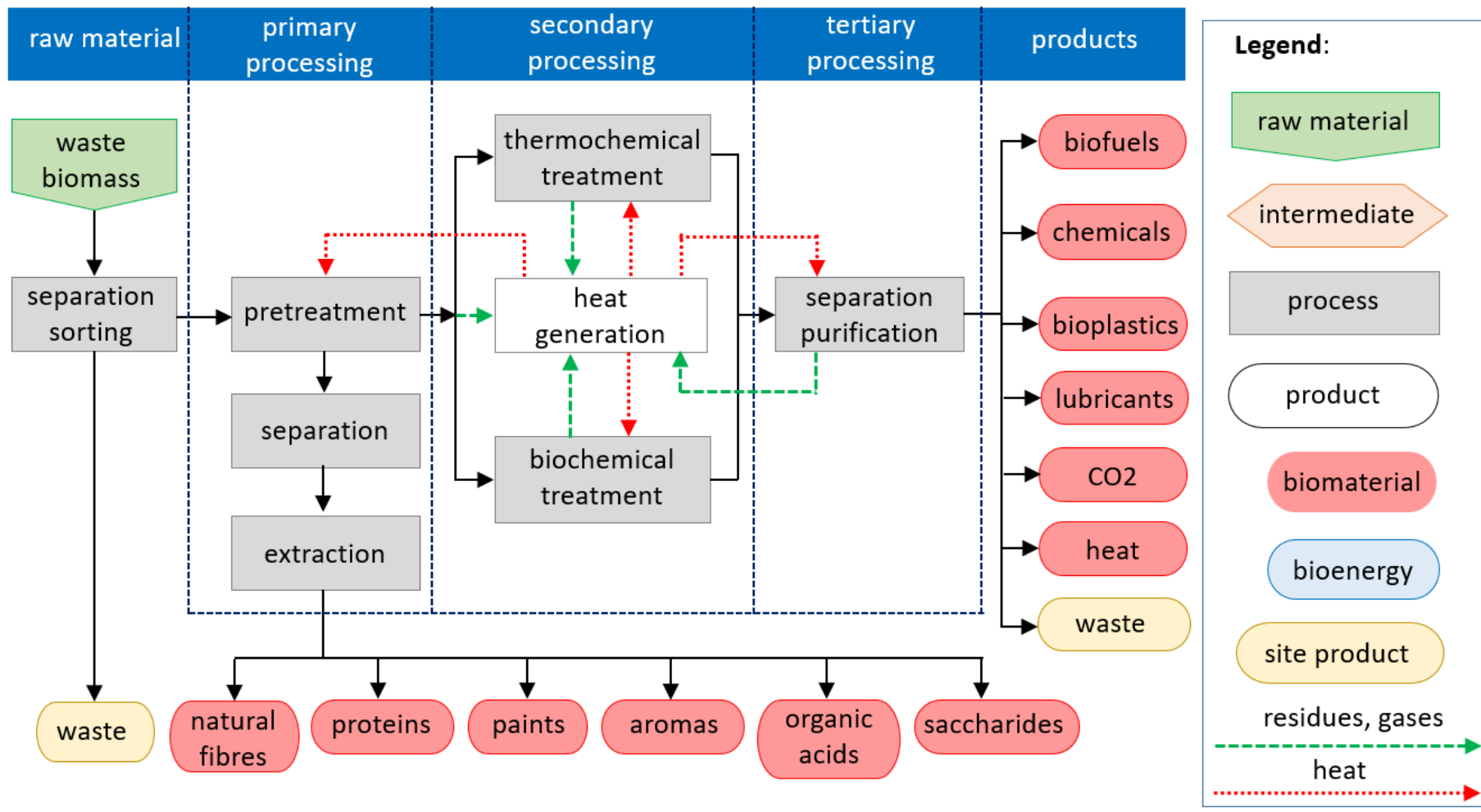
- **PRESSED PEELS OF GRAPES – RICH FOR AMYLALCOHOLS AFTER FERMENTATION (*AMYLALCOHOLS = SOFTENER FOR PLASTICS*)**
- **CELLULOSIC FIBRES – REINFORCEMENT OF BIOCOMPOSITES**
- **RICE PEELS – RICH FOR SiO_2 -> PRODUCTION OF SILICON CARBIDE FIBRES -> CERAMIC REINFORCEMENT OF COMPOSITES**
- **OIL WEED -> EXTRACTION, BIO-DIESEL PRODUCTION**



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BIOREFINERY CONCEPT

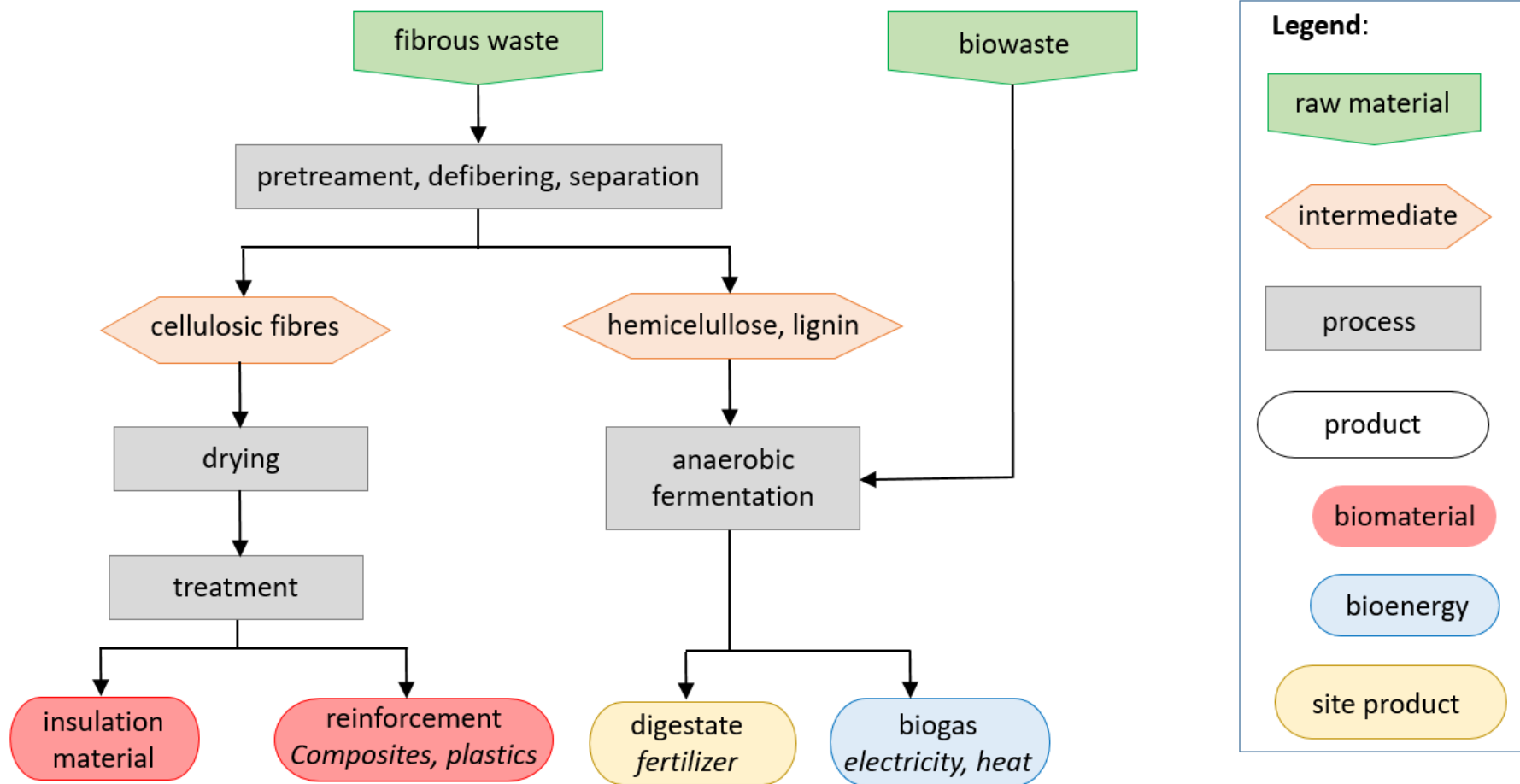




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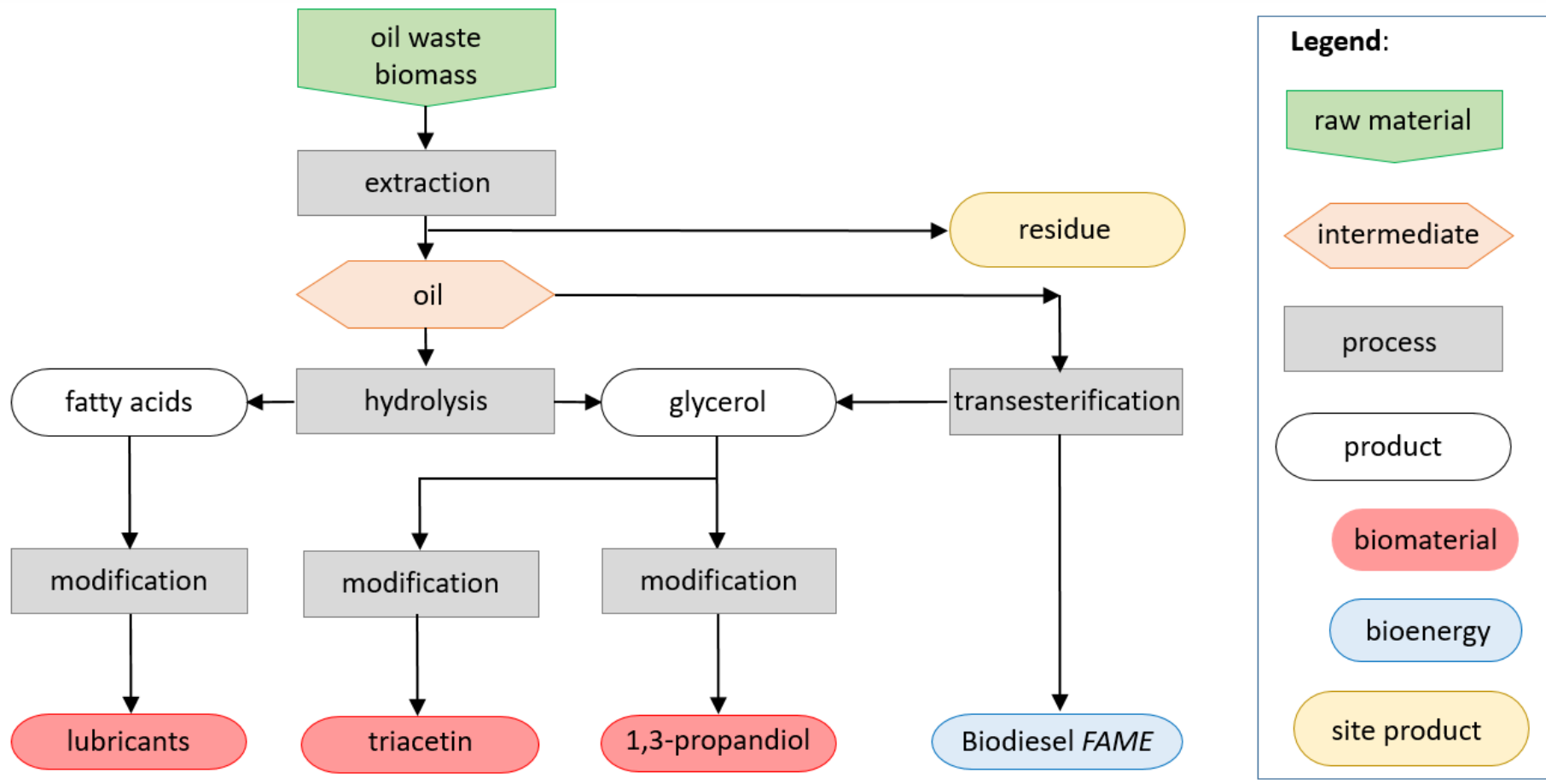




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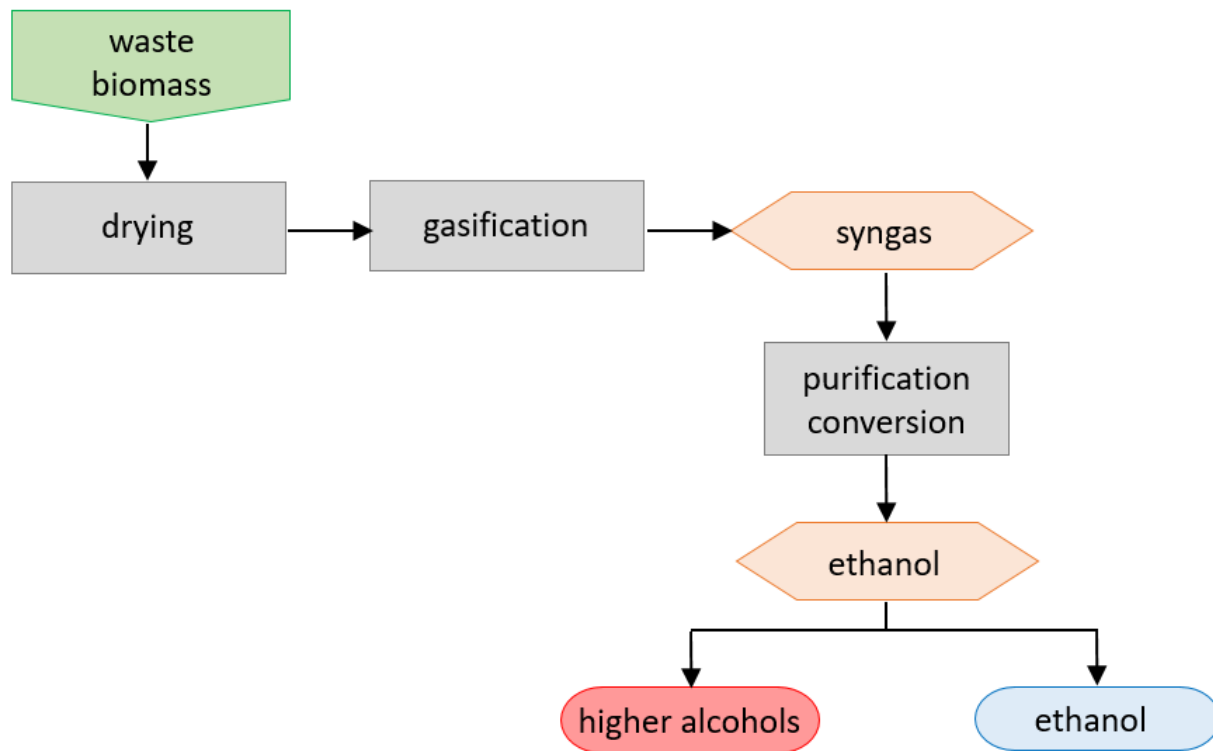




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Legend:

raw material

intermediate

process

product

biomaterial

bioenergy

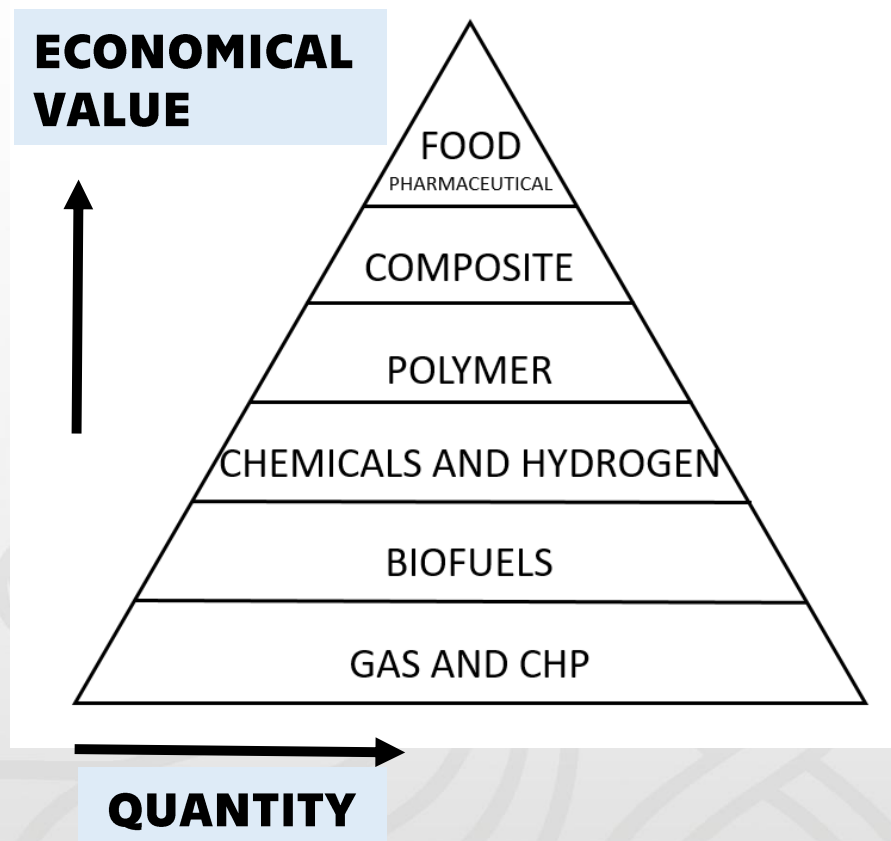
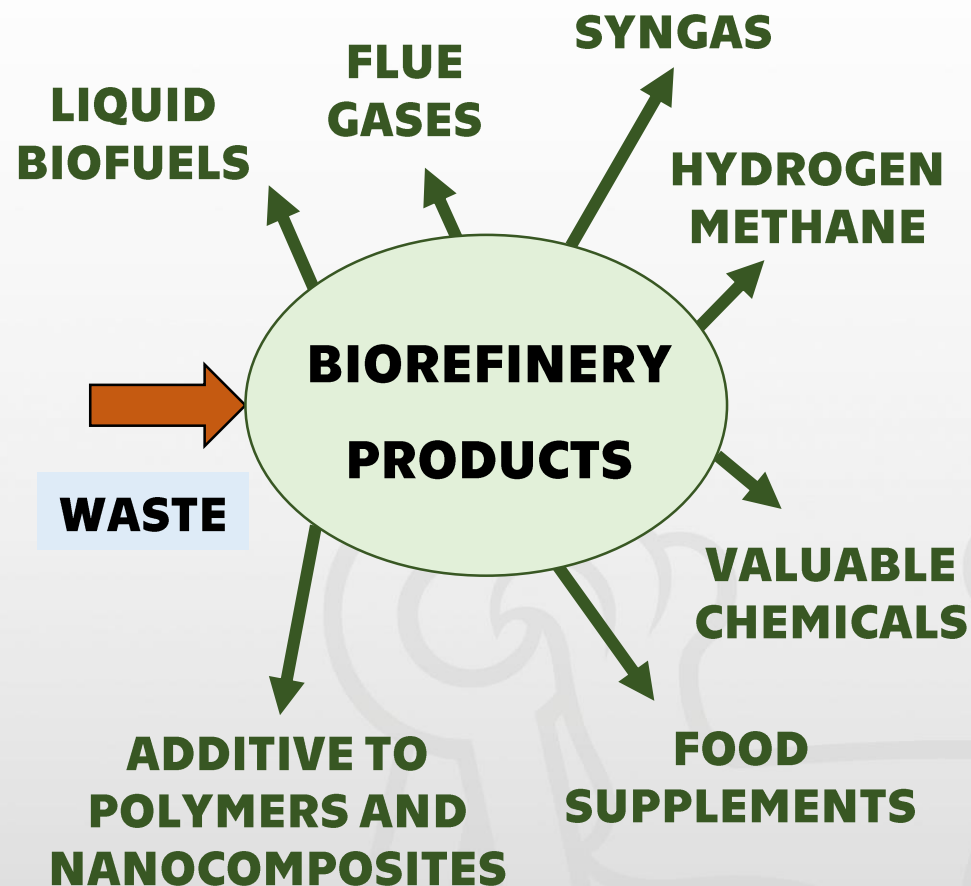
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BIOREFINERY'S ECONOMY



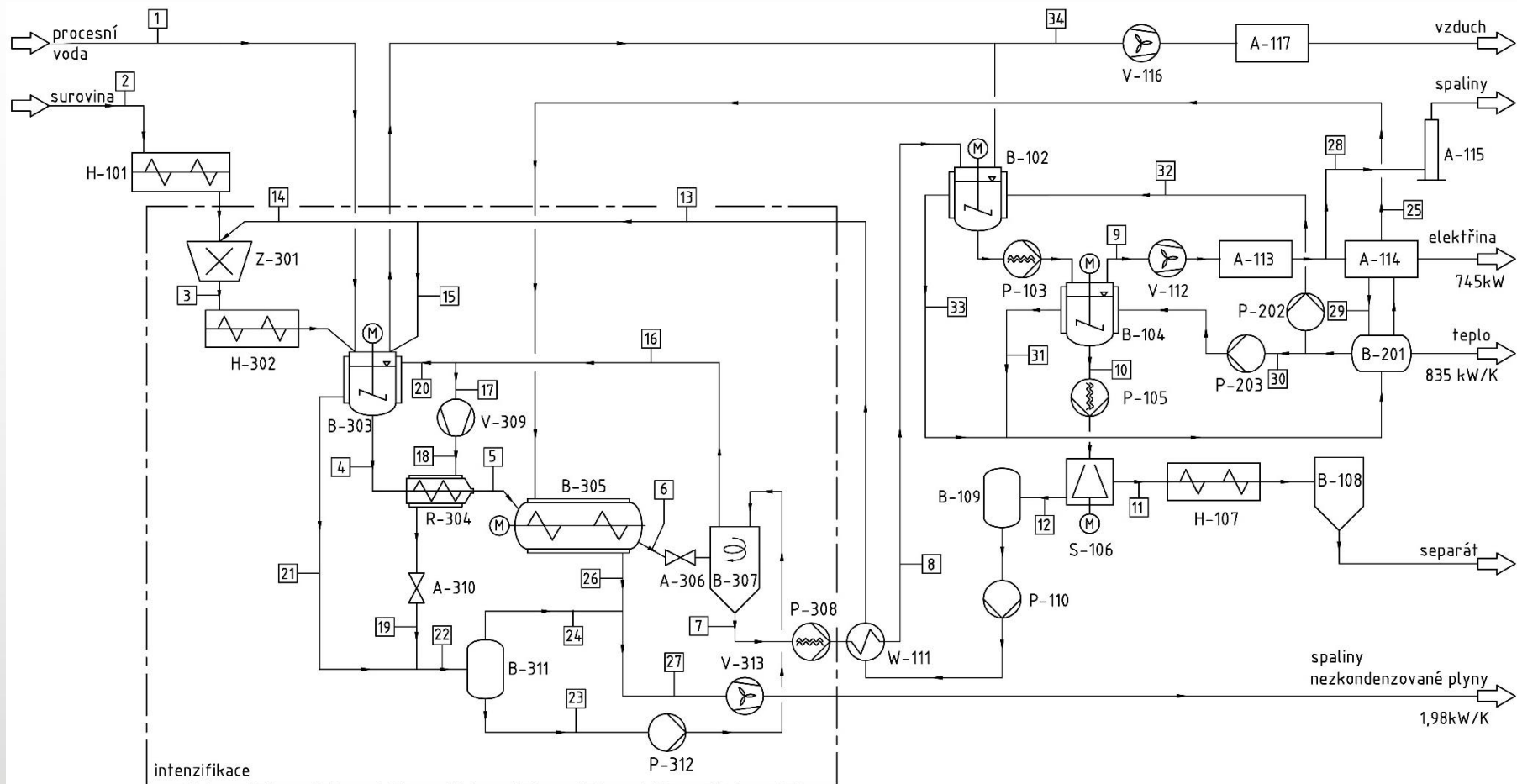
**HOW TO OPERATE ECONOMIC FEASIBLE
TECHNOLOGY WITHOUT SUBSIDIES?**



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TECHNO-ECONOMICAL FEASIBLE STUDY



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BIOREFINERY'S ECONOMY

$$\text{INVESTMENT COST} = \text{ISBL} + \text{OSBL} + \text{DE} + \text{EaE}$$

ISBL – price of apparatuses

OSBL – technology's installation

OSBL ~ 20-40 % ISBL

Piping systems, electricity, engineering networks, building, insulation, paints

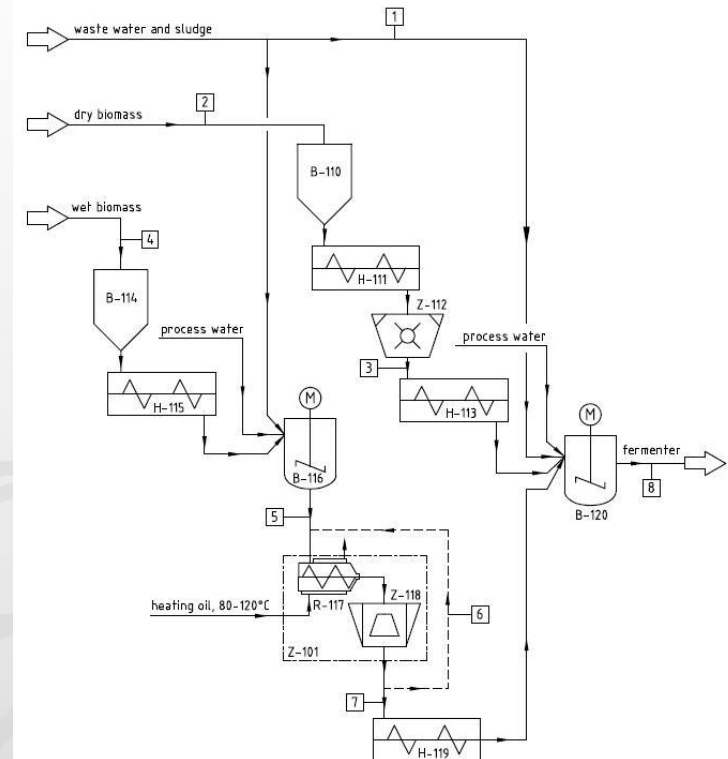
DE – design and realization

DE ~ 0.1(ISBL+OSBL)*

EaE – financial reserve

EaE ~ 0.1 ISBL*

Fluctuation in material prices, design and realization work



	PROCESS STREAMS							
	Biomass input 1	Biomass input 2	Milled biomass 3	Biomass input 4	Biomass extrusion 5	Circulation loop 6	Milled biomass 7	Biomass to process 8
moisture (%hm)	-	4-20	4-20	>20	>30	-	-	88-92
dry matter (%hm)	-	80-96	80-96	<80	<70	-	-	8-12
particle size (mm)	-	-	1-2	-	-	>10	< 10	<10
temperature (°C)	-	-	-	-	-	-	50-80	30-40



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BIOREFINERY'S PRODUCT COST

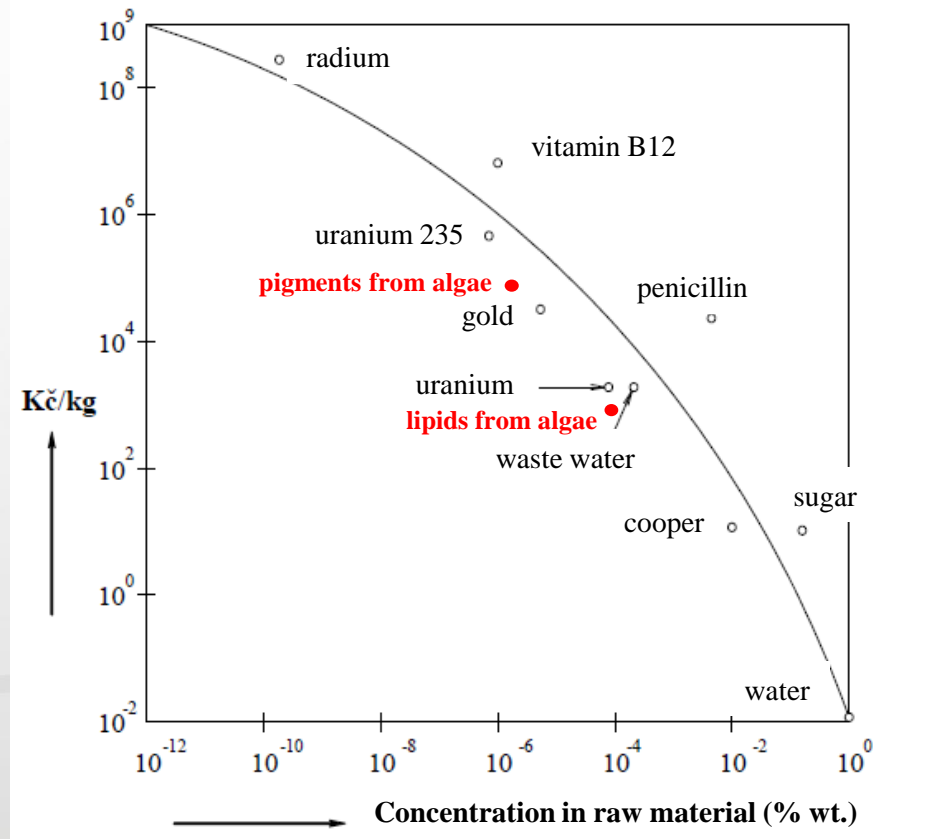
$$\text{TOTAL PRODUCT COST} = \text{OP} + \text{GEN}$$

OP- OPERATIONAL COST

- *consumables,*
- *operating,*
- *supervision,*
- *energy, service*
- *and maintenance,*
- *insurance, rates,*
- *rents and taxes...*

GEN- GENERAL COST

Wages, advertising, transport,...



$$\text{SIMPLE PAYBACK TIME} = \text{INV} / \text{CSF}$$

INV=INVESTMENT COST; CSF=ANNUAL CASH FLOW



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BIOREFINERY'S COST

DEMAND TO TECHNOLOGY

- **HIGH CONVERSION EFFICIENCY**
- **EASY PROCESS, NO OR SIMPLE PRETREATMENT**
- **NO DEGRADATION OF PRODUCTS**
- **MINIMUM WASTE GENERATION**
- **MINIMUM ENERGY DEMAND**
- **HEAT RECOVERY SYSTEM**
- **MINIMUM USAGE OF CHEMICALS**



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BIOREFINERY'S COST

DEMAND TO APPARATUSSES

- **EASY CONTROL, SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE**
- **CORROSION RESISTANCE**
- **MINIMUM OF EXPENSIVE MATERIALS AND SPECIAL PARTS**
- **COMPROMISE – WORKING VOLUME TO PRICE OF EQUIPMENT**
- **LOW FINANCIAL DEMAND IN INVESTMENT AND OPERATION**



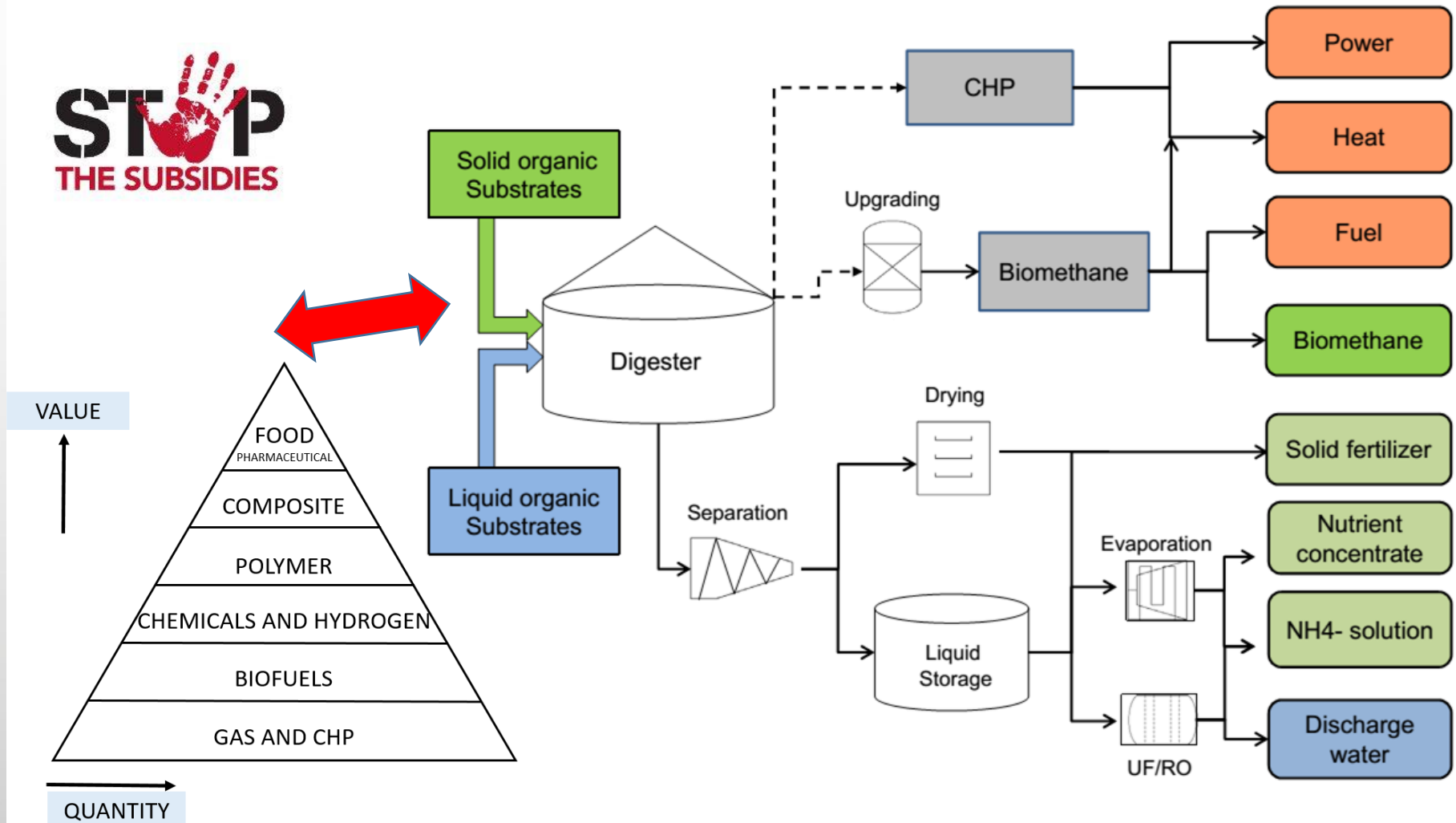
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CONVENTIONAL BIOGAS PLANT

IS THERE POSSIBILITY TO REACH PROFIT WITHOUT SUBSIDIES ?

STOP
THE SUBSIDIES

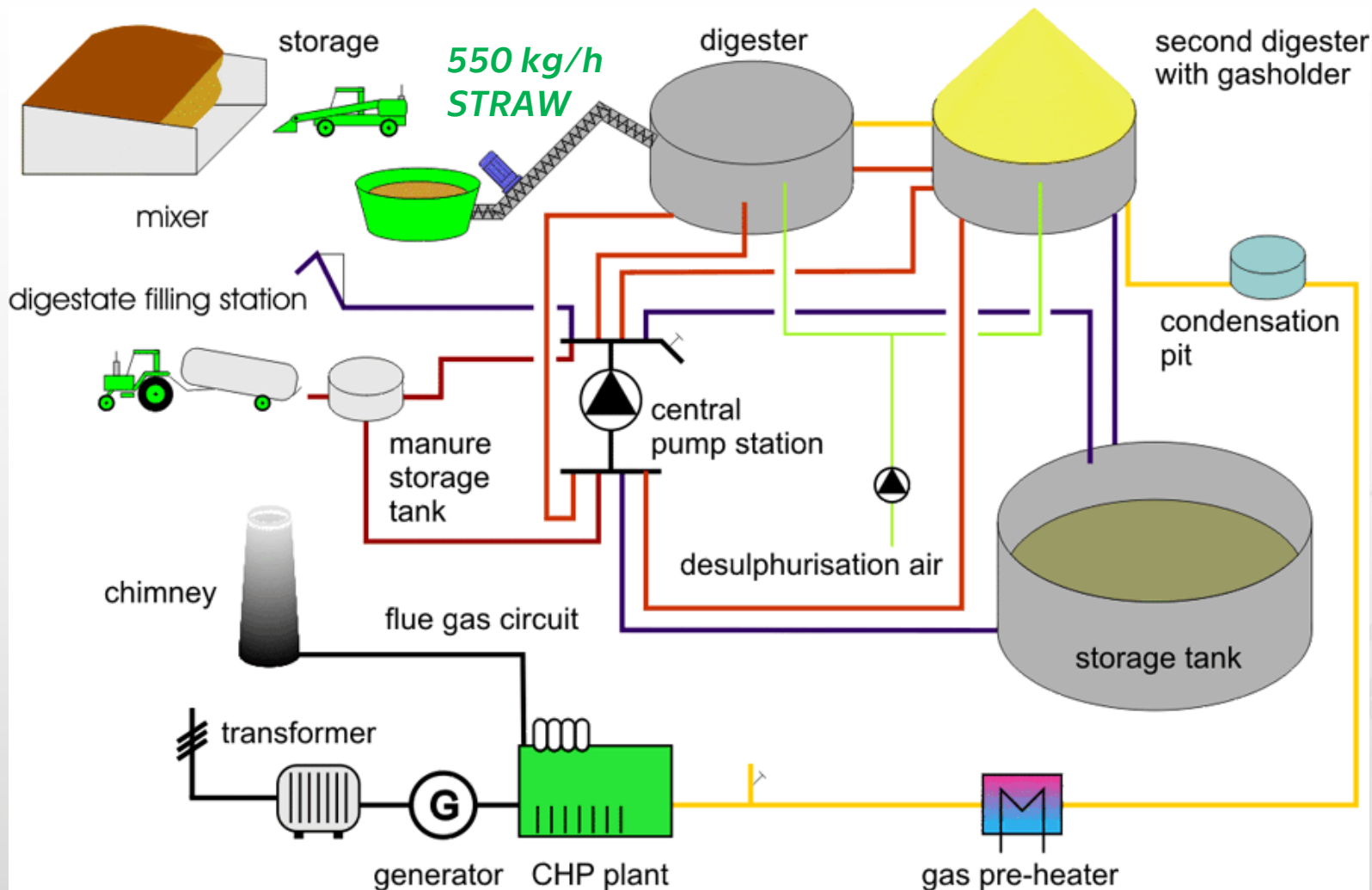




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CONVENTIONAL BIOGAS PLANT



PAYBACK PERIOD = 25 YEARS



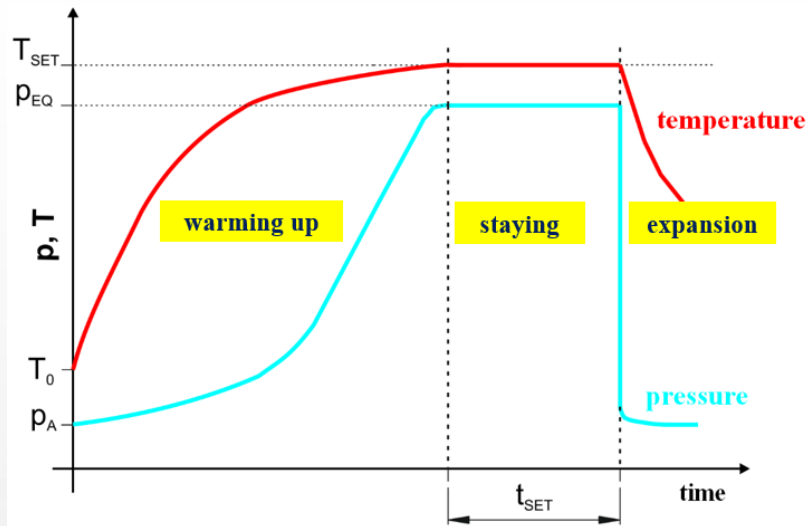
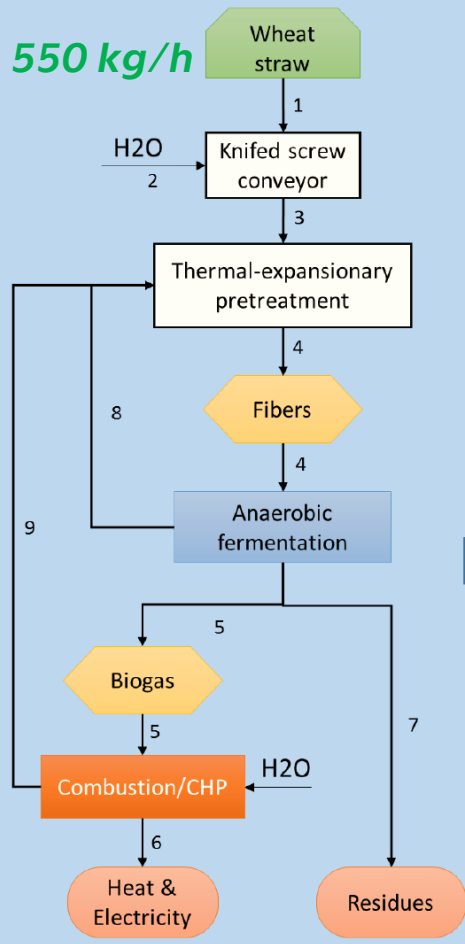
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UPGRADED BIOGAS PLANT

1ST CONCEPTION

550 kg/h



THERMAL EXPANSIVE PRETREATMENT

INCREASE IN BIOMETHANE UP TO 50 %



ISBL Capital Cost [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	3.816
OSBL Capital Cost [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	1.562
Engineering Cost [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	1.068
Contingency [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.534
Total Fixed Capital Cost [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	6.945
Variable Cost of Production [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.10
Fixed Cost of Production [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.70
Cash Cost of Production [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.80
Gross Profit [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.20
Total Annual Capital Charge [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	1.44
Total Cost of Production [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	2.24
Pay-back period [year]	30



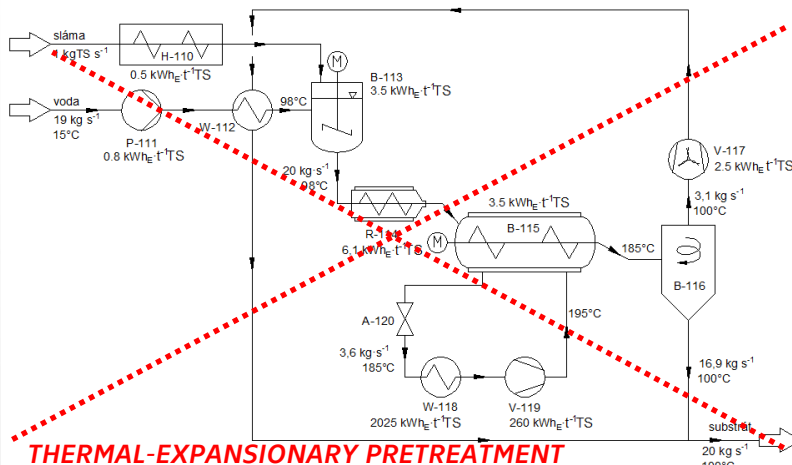
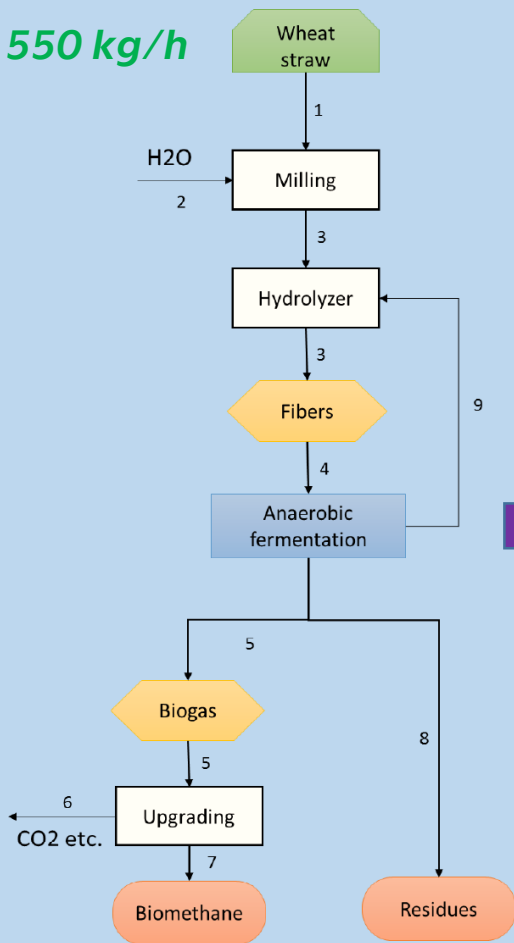
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UPGRADED BIOGAS PLANT

2ND CONCEPTION

550 kg/h



THERMAL-EXPANSIVE PRETREATMENT

**MECHANICAL SIZE
REDUCTION INCREASES
BIOMETHANE YIELD UP
TO 40 %**

ISBL Capital Cost [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	2.59
OSBL Capital Cost [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	1.04
Engineering Cost [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.72
Contingency [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.36
Total Fixed Capital Cost [\$MMM year⁻¹]	4.71
Variable Cost of Production [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.16
Fixed Cost of Production [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.53
Cash Cost of Production [\$MMM year⁻¹]	0.69
Gross Profit [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.18
Total Annual Capital Charge [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	0.98
Total Cost of Production [\$MMM year ⁻¹]	1.66
Pay-back period [year]	25

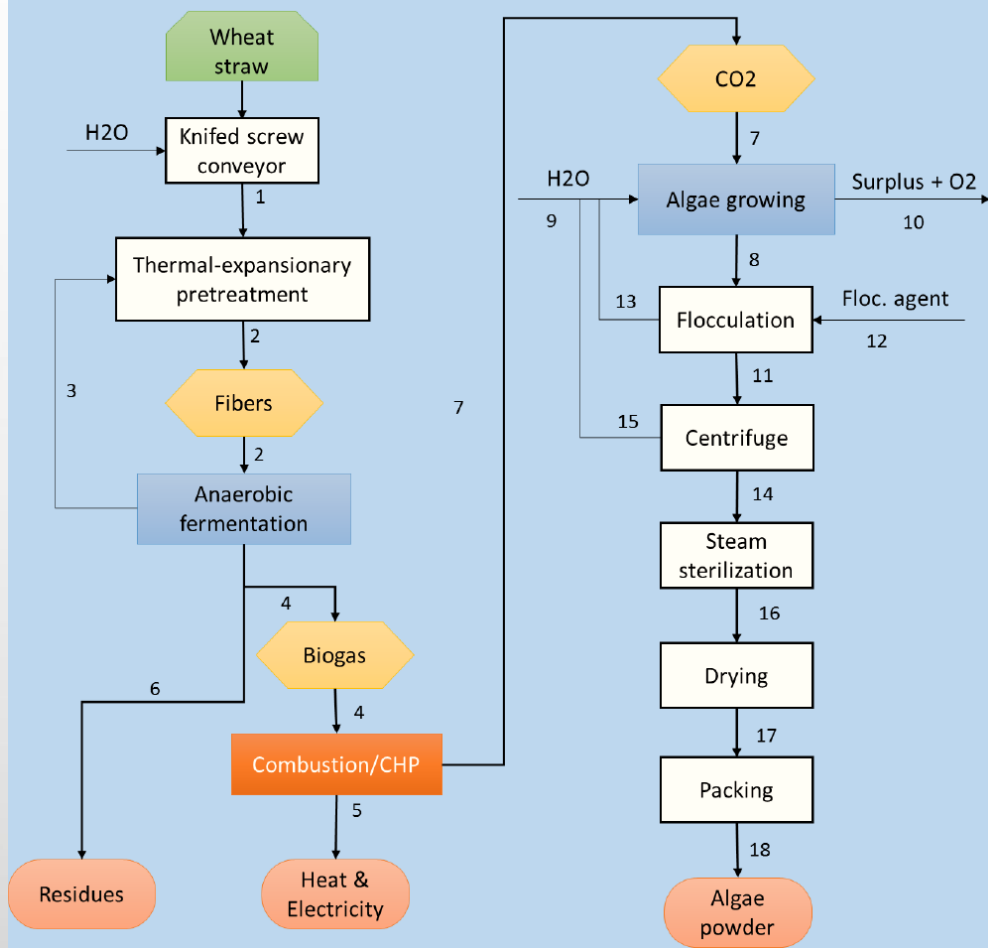


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BIOGAS PLANT AS BIOREFINERY

3TH CONCEPTION



EMISSION GASES AND WASTE HEAT FOR ALGAE PRODUCTION

ISBL Capital Cost [\$MM year ⁻¹]	11.142
OSBL Capital Cost [\$MM year ⁻¹]	4.457
Engineering Cost [\$MM year ⁻¹]	4.145
Contingency [\$MM year ⁻¹]	3.611
Total Fixed Capital Cost [\$MM year ⁻¹]	23.356
Variable Cost of Production [\$MM year ⁻¹]	4.58
Fixed Cost of Production [\$MM year ⁻¹]	1.69
Cash Cost of Production [\$MM year ⁻¹]	6.27
Gross Profit [\$MM year ⁻¹]	0.19
Total Annual Capital Charge [\$MM year ⁻¹]	4.84
Total Cost of Production [\$MM year ⁻¹]	11.11
Pay-back period [year]	59

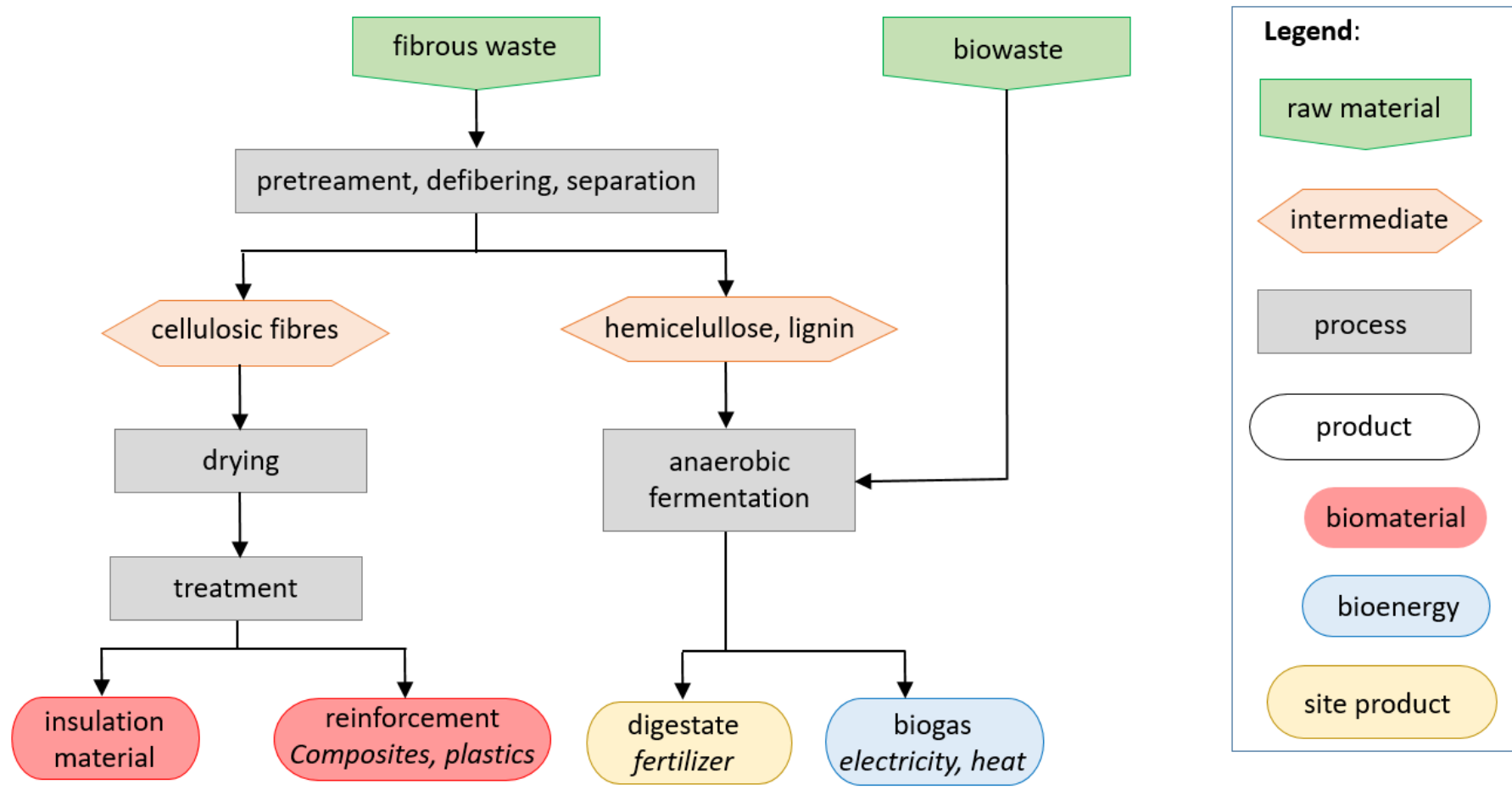


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4TH CONCEPTION



PAYBACK PERIOD = 4 YEARS

➤ THOUSANDS OF STUDIES HOW TO TREAT WASTES

APPLICABILITY IN INDUSTRIAL SCALE ?

➤ INDUSTRIAL BIOREFINERY

**TECHNO-ECONOMICAL STUDIES ARE URGENT + SCALE
UP RULES DEFINITIONS FOR APPARATUSES**

