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out of Landfills and the Environment



DOE Bioenergy Technologies Office (BETO) 2023 Project Peer Review

BOTTLE 7 – Industry Projects & Engagement

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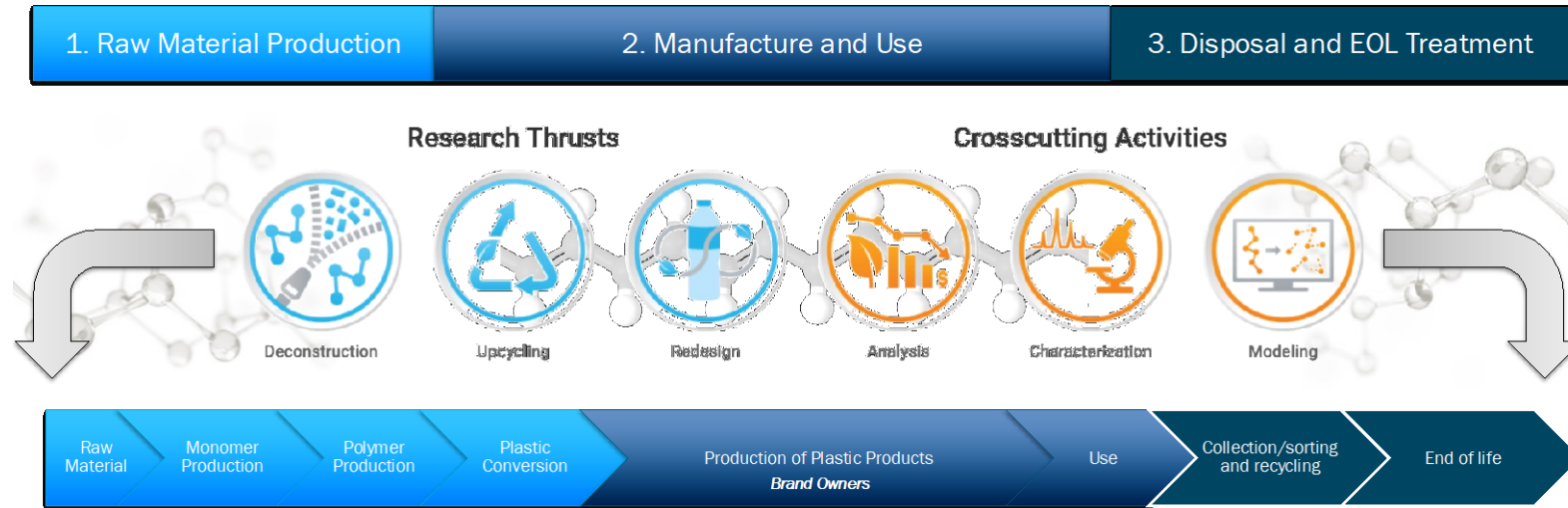
Technology Session Review Area: Plastics Deconstruction and Redesign

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Overview – BOTTLE industry engagement

BOTTLE's industry engagement history:

- BOTTLE created a centralized business development (BD) platform and focused BD effort
- Created a dedicated BD/research role (Chief Technology Officer) to streamline engagement and lead CRADA projects
- Onboarded BD tools to streamline BOTTLE engagement pipeline (Hubspot)
- Leveraged AOP-funded BOTTLE innovations portfolio to design projects with near-term industrial relevance
- Identified companies to target for collaboration using an industry landscape analysis and external consulting report
 - Initial traction with brand owners



BOTTLE CTO
Kat Knauer

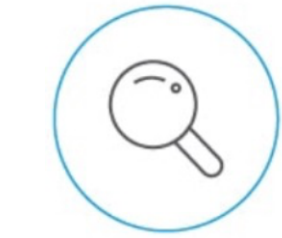
BOTTLE's industry engagement goals:

- Solve real-world problems in plastics upcycling via targeted, company-funded projects
- Promote industrial engagement via streamlined access to BOTTLE partners and technologies
- Act as a supply chain navigator and collaborate with companies to scale and deploy BOTTLE technologies into the U.S. economy

BOTTLE Industry Engagement Approach

- Intro to BOTTLE and flagship projects
- Solicit challenges from companies
- Company shares key sustainability metrics

- Outline a scope of work (TRL 2-3)
- Initial tasks are usually 6-18 months (hiring for short projects can be challenging)
- Format funding as stage-gate approach



Set up meeting



Establish NDA



Brainstorming



Iteration & Negotiation



Stage 0:
Prospecting

Stage 1:
Initial
Engagement

Stage 2:
Knowledge
Sharing

Stage 3-4:
Proposal &
Contracting

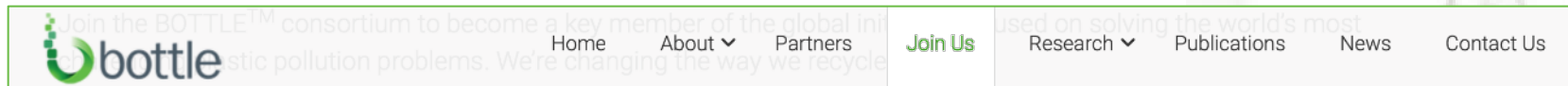
Stage 5:
Opportunity
Won

- Conferences
- Networking
- Market reports
- Publications and patents

- Share BOTTLE capabilities and strategies
- Show line-of-sight to scale
- Preliminary TEA/LCA helps guide discussions
- Company also shares data/previous work

- Update project managers on kickoff and milestone dates
- Update subcontracting agreements for funds transfers to BOTTLE partners

Documents on BOTTLE website help accelerate contracting



Why Join Us?

The BOTTLE consortium leverages significant U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) investments in revolutionary plastic upcycling innovations with industrial-scale R&D to provide relevant solutions to deconstruct and upcycle today's plastics and redesign tomorrow's plastics. Our objective is to help industry solve its most critical problems.

Advantages

As a consortium partner, you can:

- Direct your funding to guide and design the research projects you choose, to solve the problems you care most about, with no membership fees
- Receive first option to an exclusive license for subject inventions developed during your projects
- Access world-class national laboratory and university researchers and facilities through streamlined and transparent contracting mechanisms
- Showcase your organization's commitment to sustainability issues to your stakeholders
- Leverage substantial DOE funding to identify and advance core scientific research and support robust intellectual property (IP) and subject invention development.

How To Join Us

BOTTLE has prenegotiated cooperative research and development agreements (CRADAs) to suit a variety of partnership, funding, and project circumstances with standardized IP terms for accessing innovations from academic collaborators:

[Multi-Laboratory Multi-Participant CRADA](#)

[Multi-Laboratory Single-Participant CRADA](#)

[Single-Laboratory Single-Participant CRADA](#)

These CRADAs promote streamlined collaboration and sharing of information and materials to ease the strain caused by prolonged ad hoc negotiations.

Intellectual Property Generation

BOTTLE academic and laboratory partners have an inventory of innovations that can inform the design and execution of industry-specific collaborative projects with a high probability of producing IP, which is exclusively available to the partner supporting that project.

Under BOTTLE CRADAs, IP ownership follows inventorship and protects existing IP, allowing your company to negotiate for exclusive field-of-use licenses.

Learn more about [BOTTLE's vision, mission, and goals](#), and [contact us](#) to discover how best to work with us.

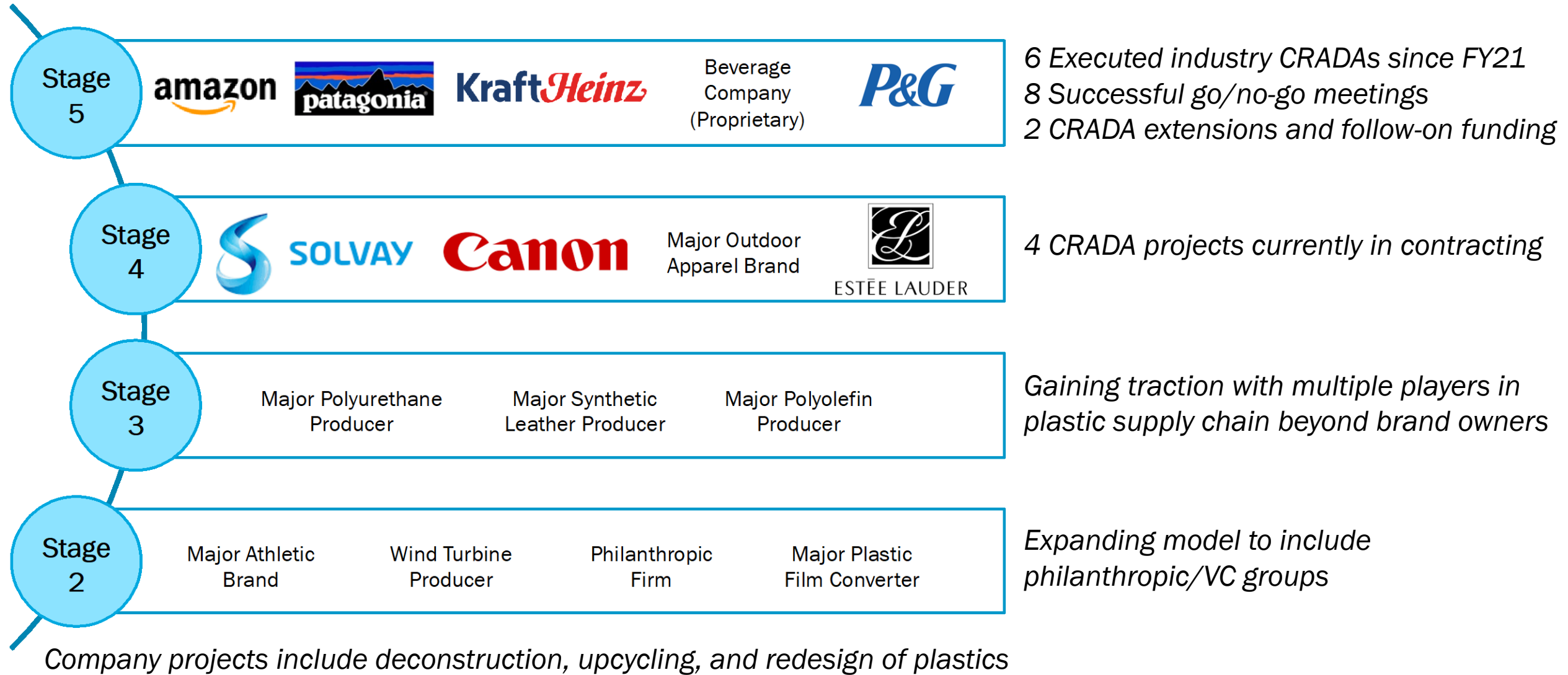


BOTTLE CRADA templates available on website



IP management plan signed by all BOTTLE institutions

Progress and outcomes BOTTLE industry engagement



amazon – Deconstruction & redesign of polyesters

Overall goals:

- Develop a closed-loop, integrated recycling technology for mixed polyesters
- Develop a recycle-by-design and biodegradable PE alternative

Team size:

- >15 BOTTLE researchers

BOTTLE participants:

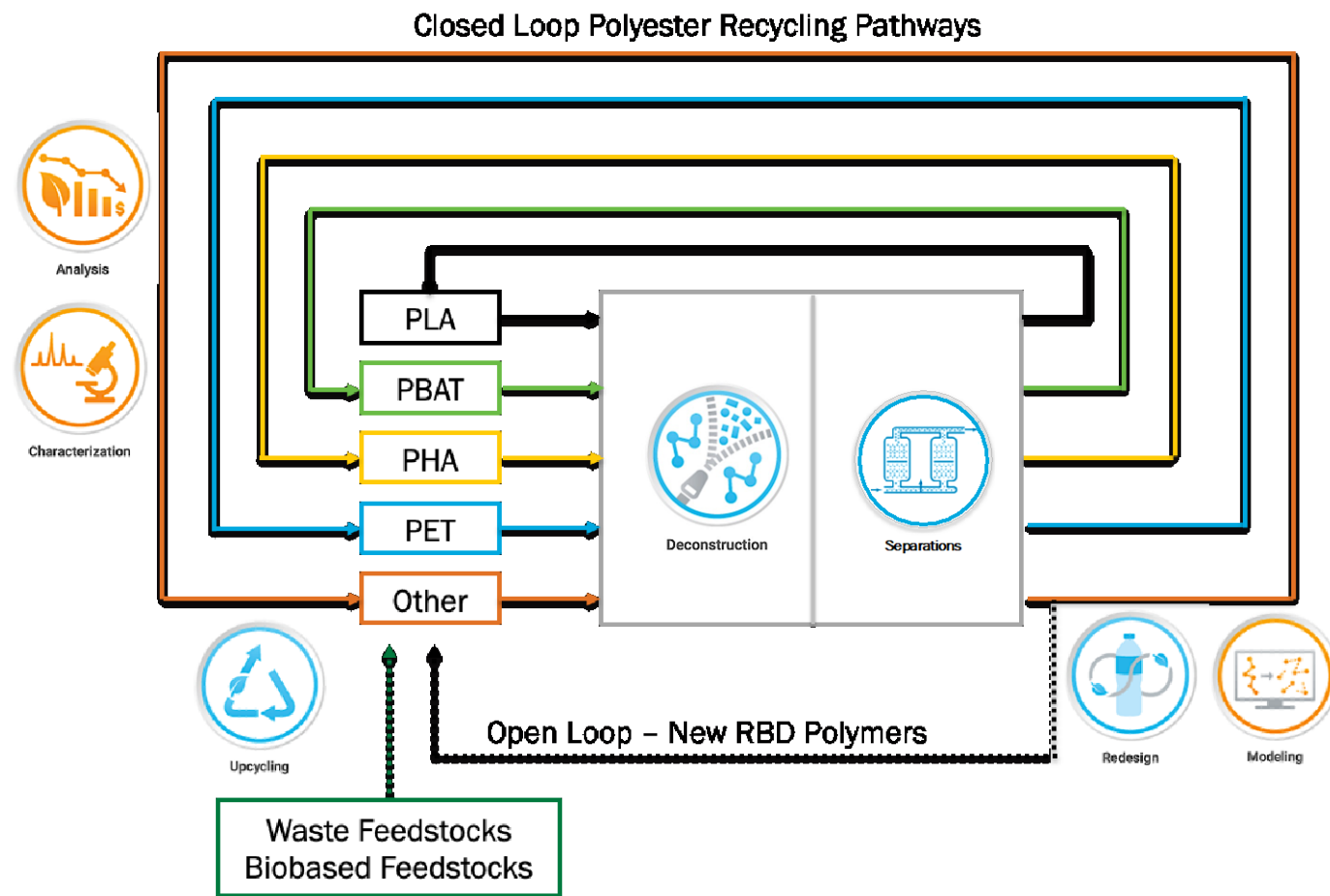
- CSU, NREL, SLAC

BOTTLE tasks:

- Deconstruction, Upcycling, Redesign, Characterization, and Analysis

BETO investment leveraged:

- PET deconstruction technologies¹⁻³
- TEA/LCA data on PET deconstruction⁴⁻⁵
- Designer PHA portfolio⁵⁻⁸



¹Nicholson, Rorrer et al. *Joule* 2019; ²Knott, Erickson et al. *PNAS* 2020; ³Werner et al. *Met Eng.* 2021; ⁴Singh et al. *Joule* 2021;

⁵Uekert et al. *Green Chem.* 2022; ⁶Tang et al. *Nat. Commun.* 2018; ⁷Tang et al. *Science* 2019; ⁸Tang et al. *Angew. Chem.* 2020

Kraft Heinz – Redesign of food packaging for end-of-life

Overall goals:

- Develop sustainable packaging solutions for food products

Team size:

- 5 BOTTLE researchers

BOTTLE participants:

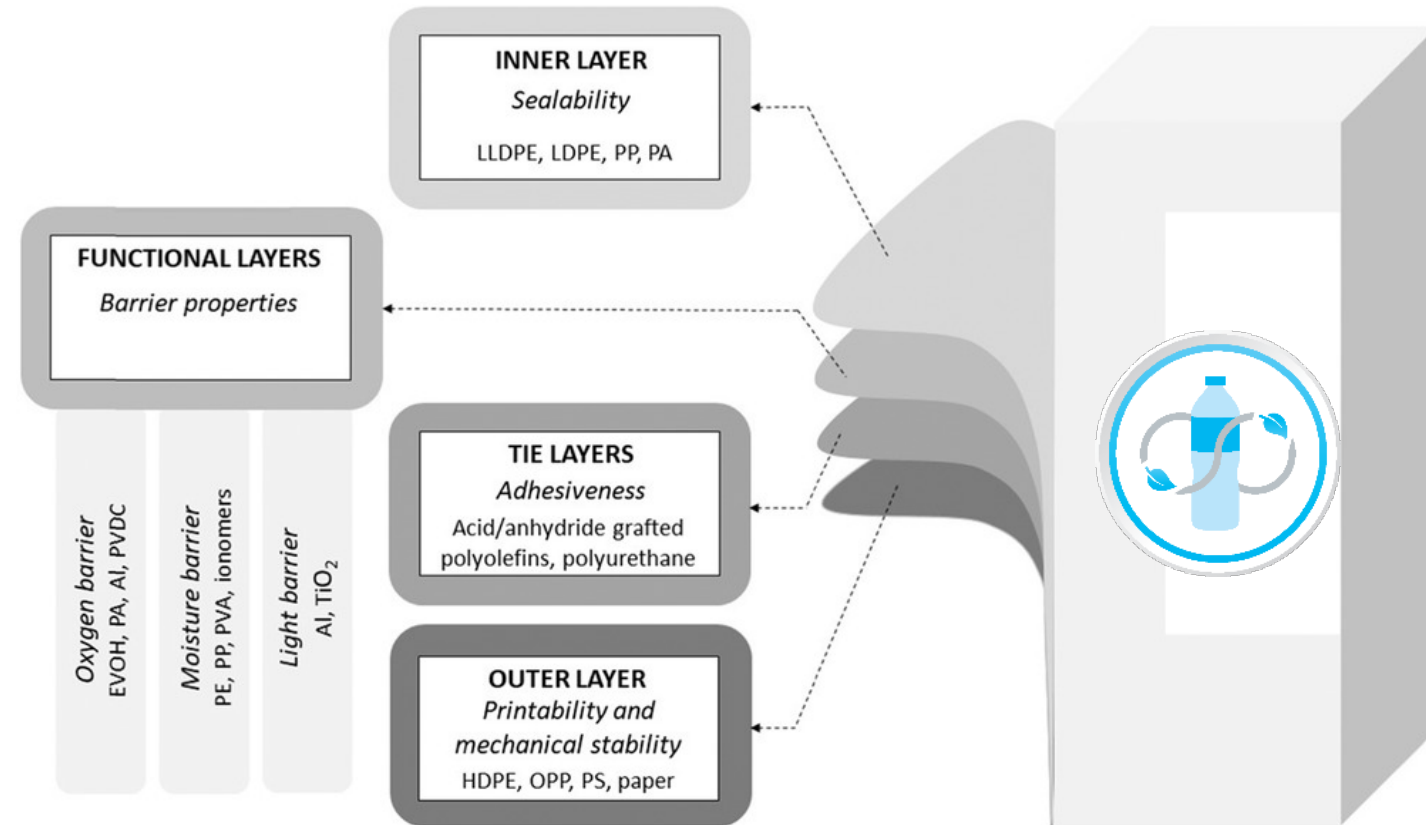
- CSU, NREL

BOTTLE tasks:

- Redesign, Modeling

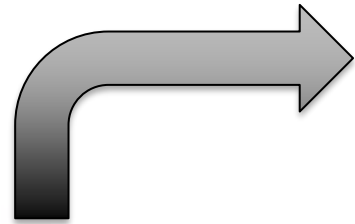
BETO investment leveraged:

- Recyclable-by-design polymer portfolio¹
- Poly(ID) and predictive modeling²



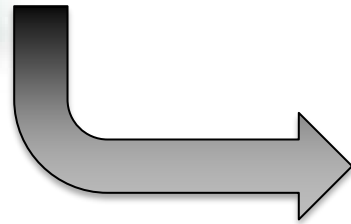
Multi-layer food packaging is not currently recyclable

Patagonia/BOTTLE projects – Circularity for textiles



Chemical recycling of mixed textiles

~63% Plastics
~26% Cotton
~11% Other¹



Dye removal, recovery, and recycling



Patagonia – Project 1: Mixed textiles deconstruction

Overall goals:

- Develop a catalytic deconstruction technology to upcycle mixed plastic waste

Team size:

- 4 BOTTLE researchers

BOTTLE participants:

- NREL

BOTTLE tasks:

- Deconstruction, Characterization

BETO investment leveraged:

- Applied foundational knowledge in autoxidation developed via AOP funds to apply technology to mixed textiles¹



Patagonia – Project 2: Textile pretreatments for recycling

Overall goals:

- Develop a biobased extraction process to remove dyes and additives from PET rich textiles to enable textile-to-textile recycling with integrated downstream separations to recover dyes

Team size:

- 5 BOTTLE researchers

BOTTLE participants:

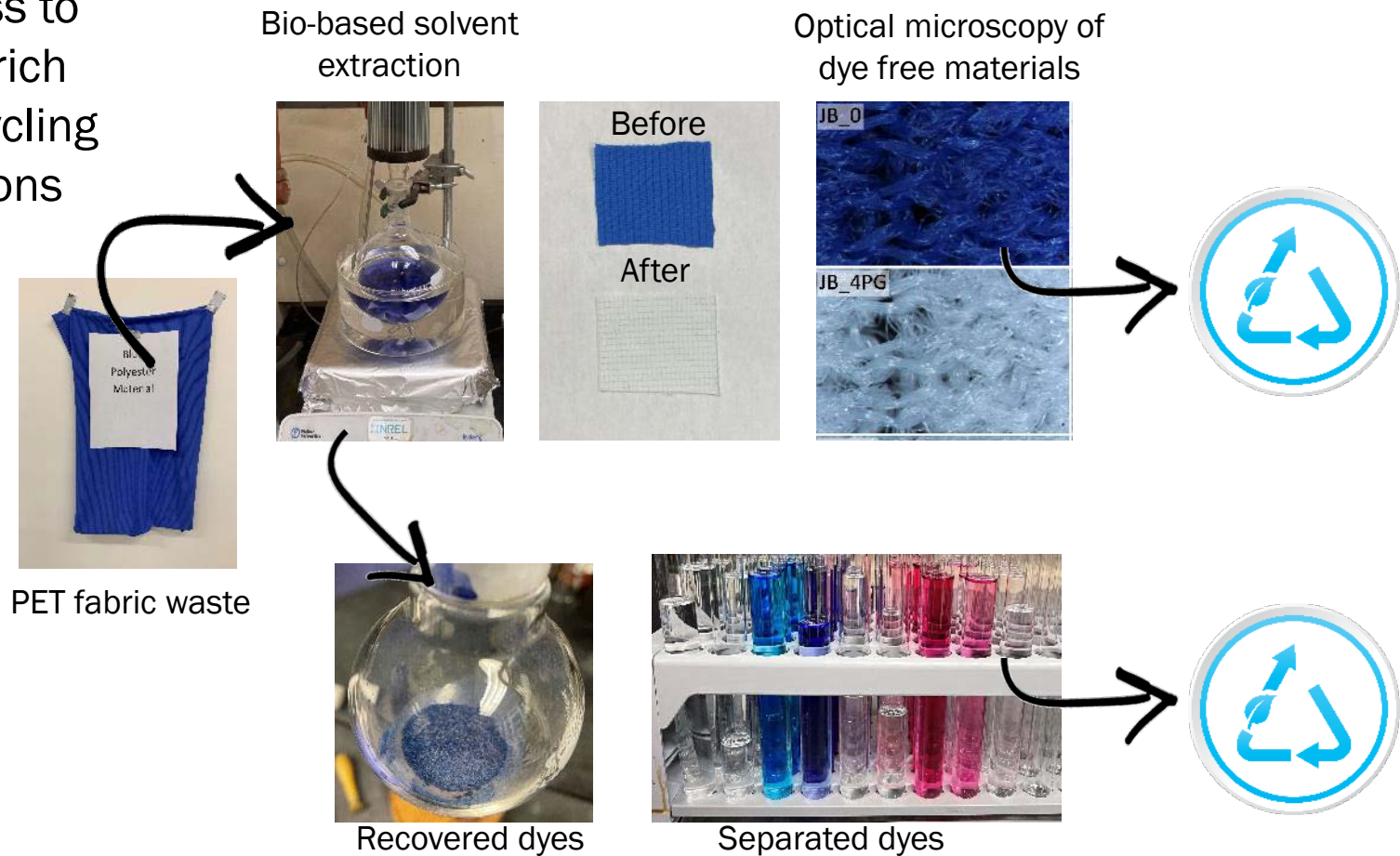
- NREL

BOTTLE tasks:

- Upcycling

BETO investment leveraged:

- Bio-based solvents from biomass¹



P&G – Upcycling of polyethylene waste

Overall goals:

- Develop a catalytic deconstruction technology to upcycle polyethylene waste

Team size:

- 5 BOTTLE researchers

BOTTLE participants:

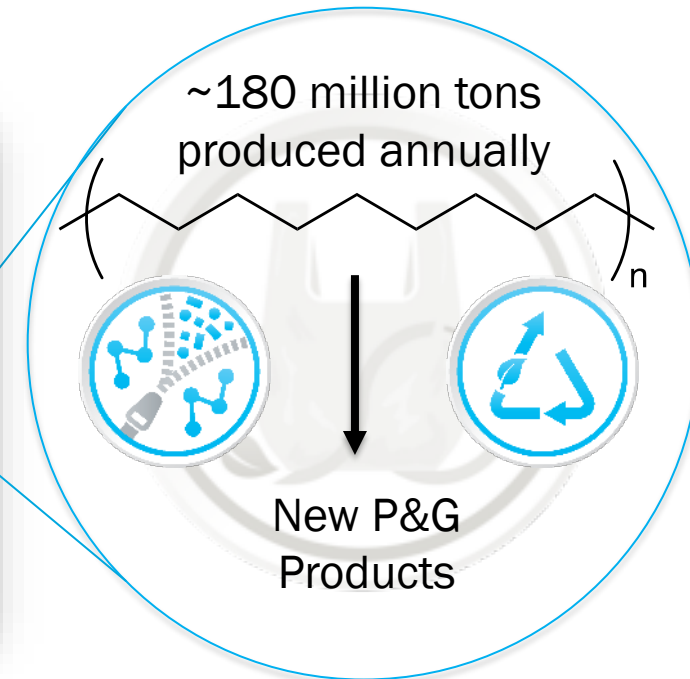
- MIT, NREL

BOTTLE tasks:

- Deconstruction, Upcycling

BETO investment leveraged:

- Applying foundational knowledge in oxidation catalysis and deconstruction of polyethylene^{1,2}



– Deconstruction & upcycling of chlorinated plastics

Overall goals:

- Develop an oxidative biological funneling technology to upcycle PVDC/PVC waste

Team size:

- 5 BOTTLE researchers

BOTTLE participants:

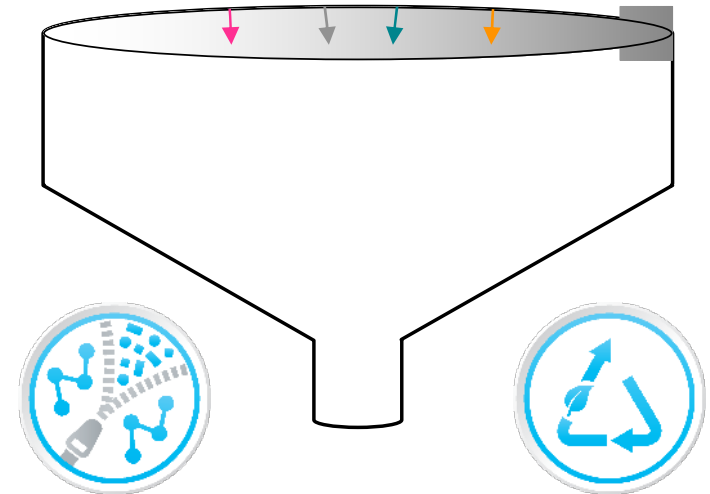
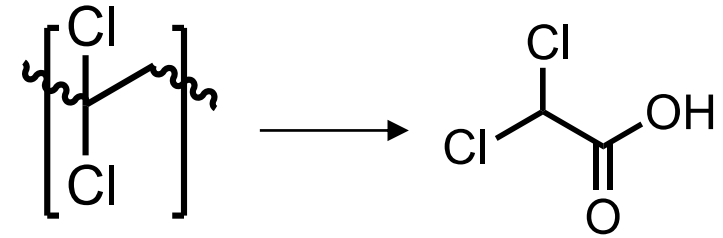
- NREL

BOTTLE tasks:

- Deconstruction, Upcycling

BETO investment leveraged:

- Applied foundational knowledge in oxidation catalysis and *P. putida* engineering^{1,2}



Overall goals:

- Develop a green pretreatment technology for high impact polystyrene (HIPs) to yield a high-quality product for e-waste recycling

Team size:

- 5 BOTTLE researchers

BOTTLE participants:

- MIT, NREL

BOTTLE tasks:

- Upcycling

BETO investment leveraged:

- Applied foundational knowledge in green chemistry and bio-based solvents



Impact

>40 BOTTLE researchers on industry projects

>150 Industrial partners engaged

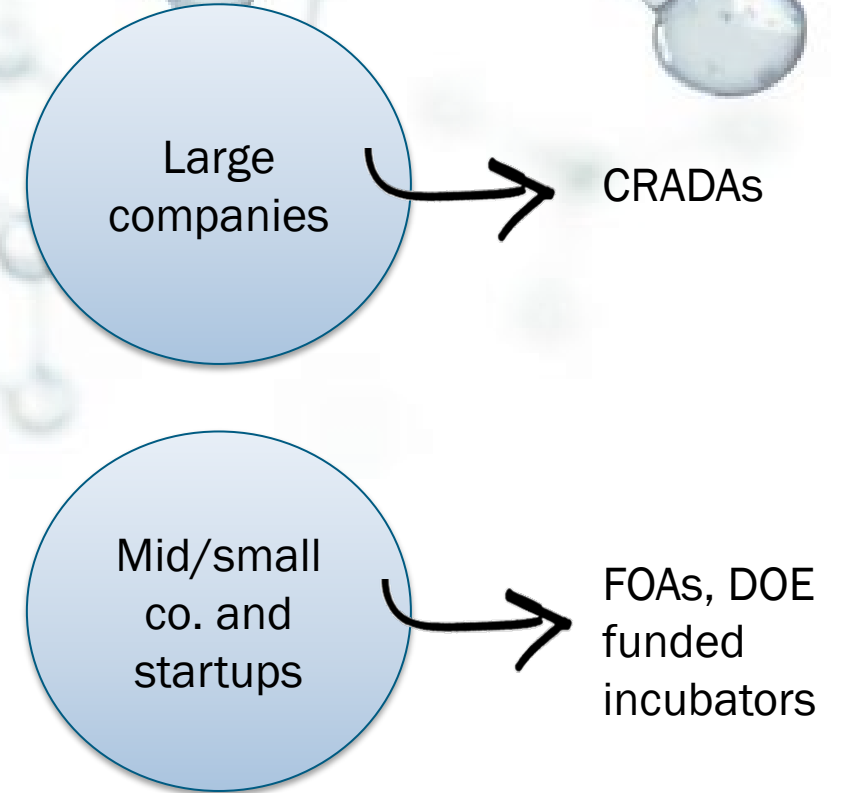
31 Patent applications (5 CRADA subject inventions)

6 Industrial CRADAs executed

4 Industrial CRADAs in contracting

3 FOA CRADAs executed and started

2 BOTTLE spin-off companies: Tereform & Eco Polymers



Quad Chart

Timeline

- Active Project Duration: 10/1/2020 – 9/30/2023
- Total Project Duration: 10/1/2019 – 9/30/2023

	FY23 Funding	Total Award (FY21-23)
DOE Funding	\$10,000,000	\$30,000,000

Project Partners

ANL, CSU, LANL, MIT, MSU, NREL, NU, ORNL, SLAC, UoP

TRL at Project Start: 1

TRL at Project End: 4

Funding Mechanism

Bioenergy Technologies Office FY21 AOP Lab Call (DE-LC-000L079) – 2020

Project Goals

- Develop selective, scalable processes to deconstruct and upcycle today's plastics and thermosets
- Redesign tomorrow's plastics to be recyclable-by-design (RBD) and derived from bio-based feedstocks
- Work with industry to catalyze new upcycling paradigms and novel feedstocks

End of Project Milestones

- Deconstruction: Achieve hydrogenolysis of polyolefins in a continuous process with a selectivity profile of >60% to a single product. Deliver cutinase variants with the ability to reach over 80% conversion extent on crystalline PET in a pH-controlled bioreactor.
- Upcycling: Deliver a submission-ready manuscript that describes consolidated bioprocessing of PET plastic to an RBD monomer using a thermophilic microorganism.
- Redesign: Deliver a submission-ready manuscript on designer PHB with PE/PP-like performance via controlling stereomicrostructures that includes TEA, LCA, and biodegradation studies.
- Analysis: Deliver designs on autoxidation, hydrogenolysis, PET conversions, and at least 5 redesigned polymers in accordance with the primary BOTTLE metrics of carbon, economics, energy, and GHG emissions
- Modeling: Deliver an integrated set of tools that enable prediction of RBD polymers for a target application and their syntheses



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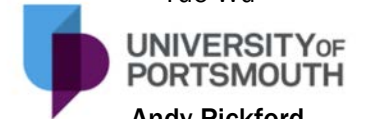
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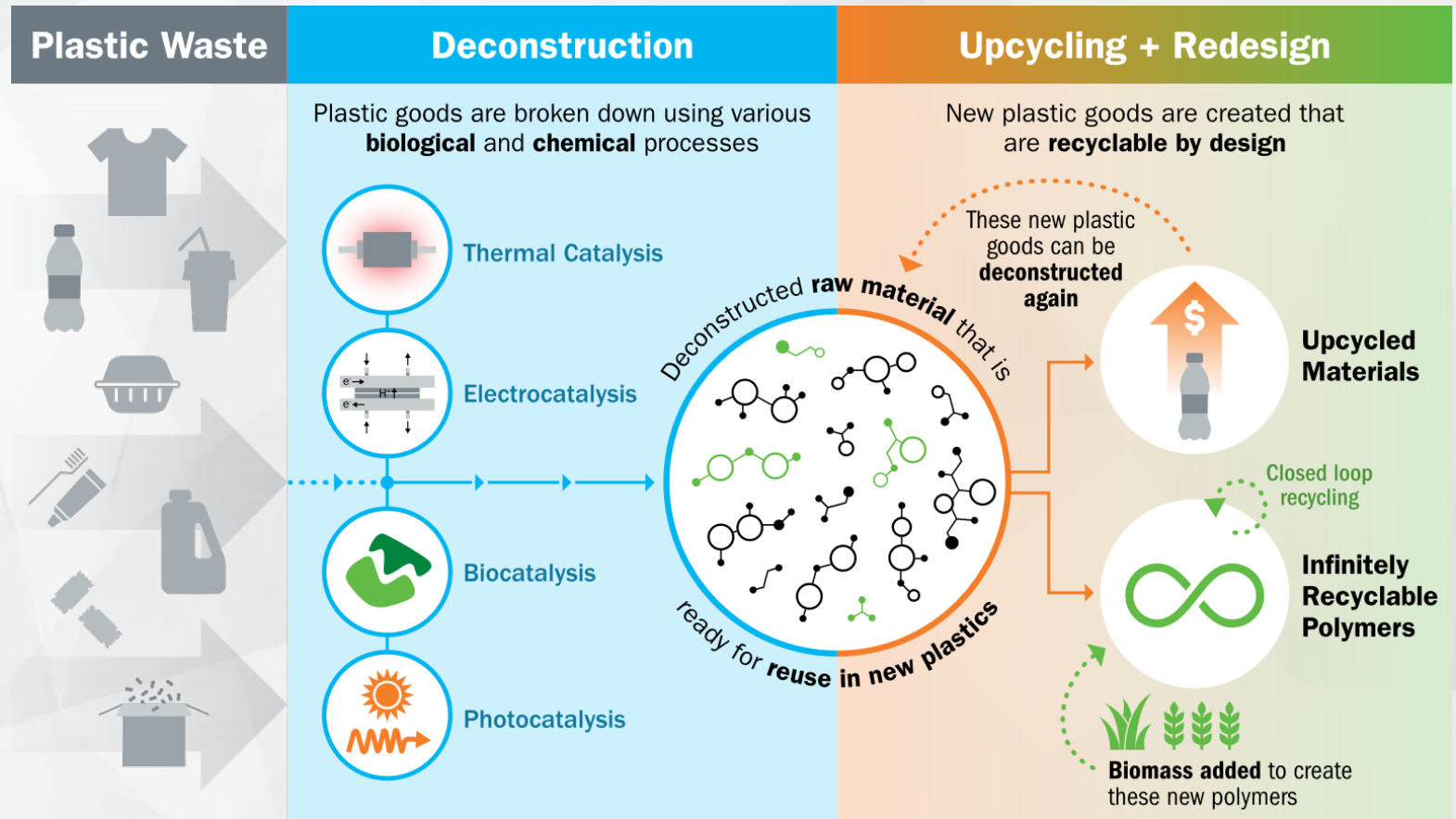
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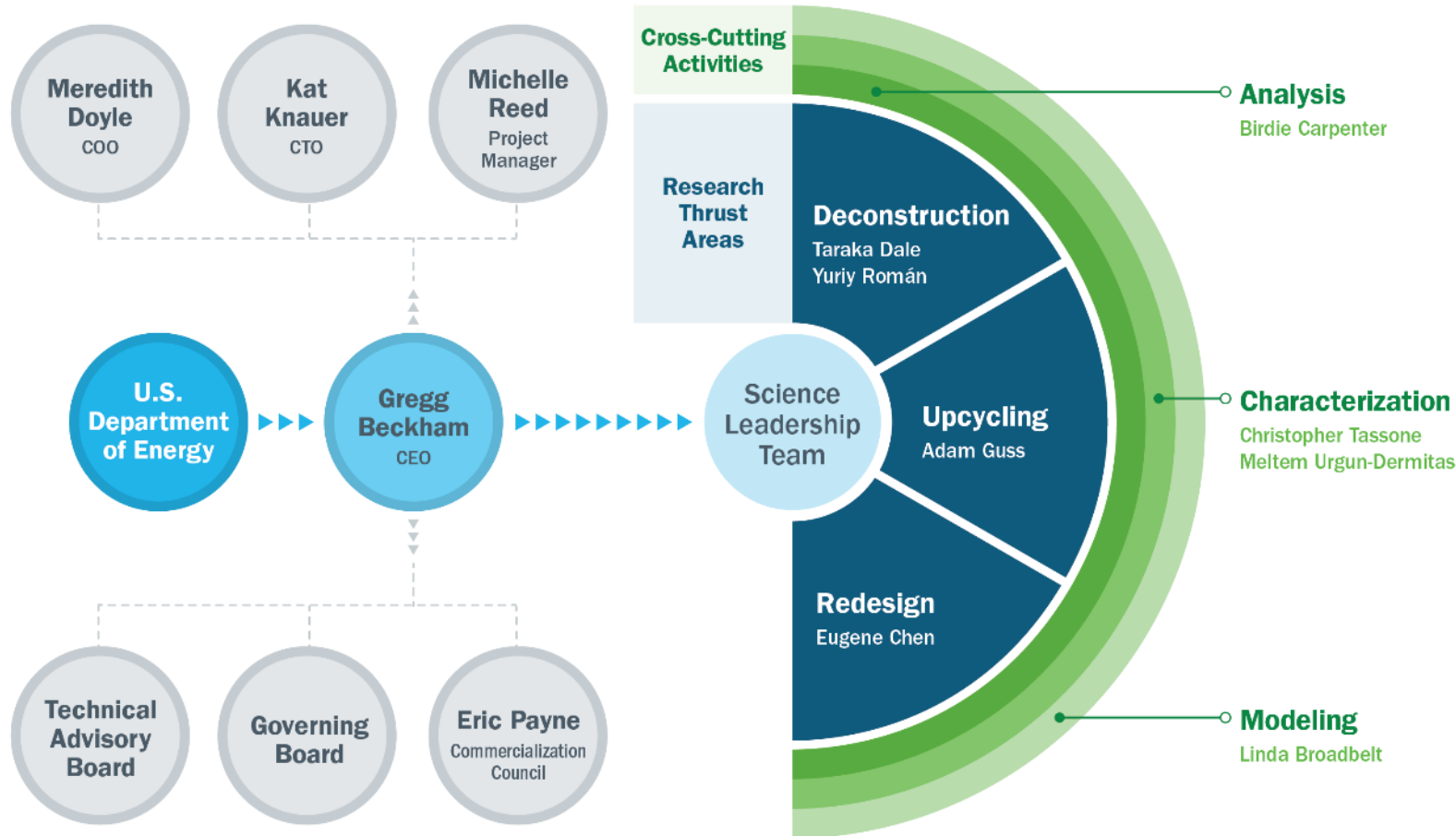
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Q&A section



Additional Slides

Leadership Team Structure



BOTTLE Leadership Team (LT):

- CEO, COO, & PM
- Oversee the Management task
- *Role focused on leadership of BOTTLE*

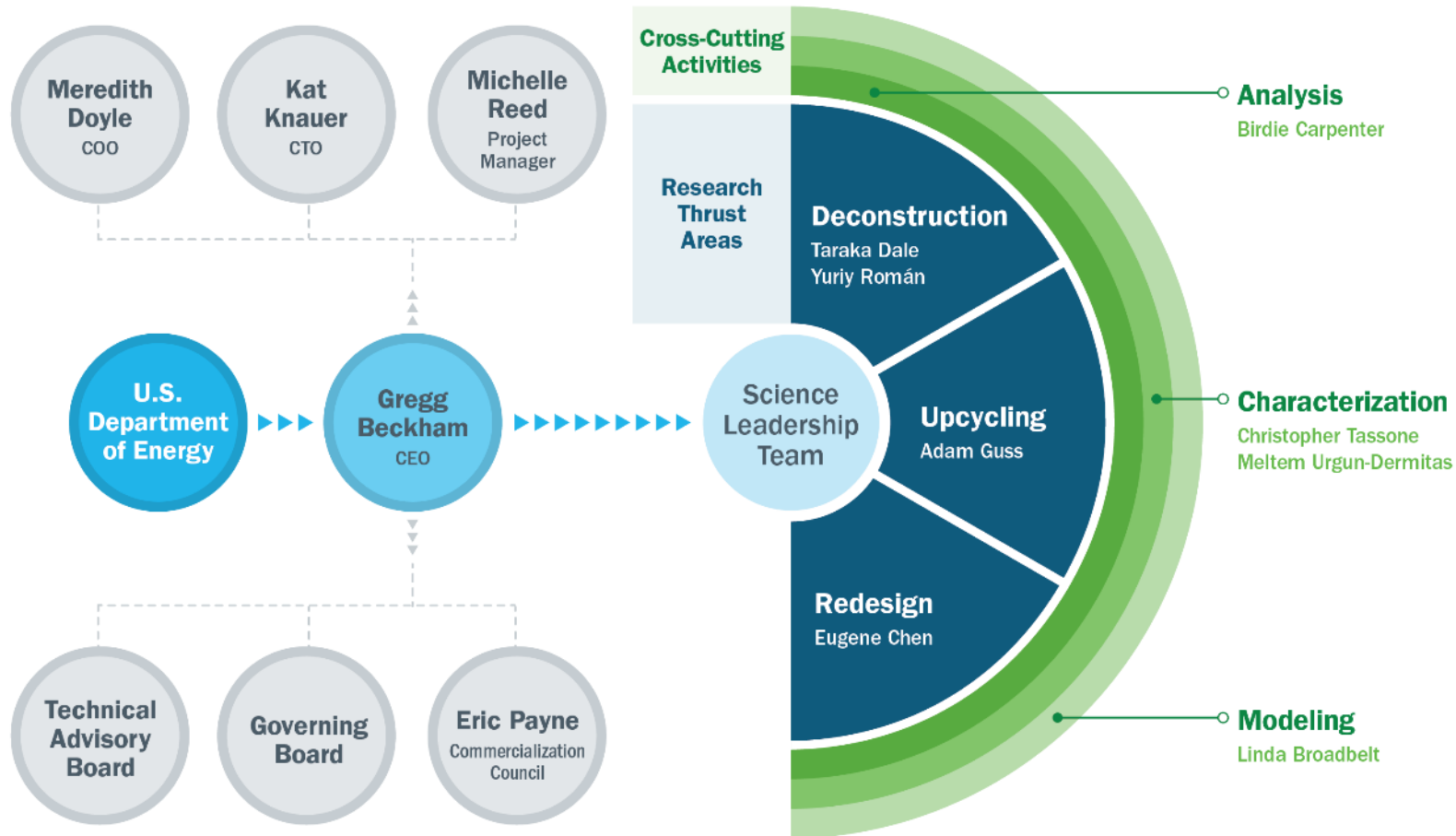
Governing Board (GB):

- BOTTLE LT, lab and several univ. leads, DOE
- Yearly strategic planning meeting
- *Role focused on management, strategy*

Science Leadership Team (SLT):

- CEO, all institutional leads, DOE
- Yearly planning meeting, teleconferences quarterly
- *Role focused on research execution*
- Annual Portfolio Review responsibilities
- Implement and supervise research projects at each institution

Technical Advisory Board and Comm. Council



Technical Advisory Board (TAB):

- Feedback on R&D, operations, management
- Invited diverse group of thought leaders from academia, government, industry, non-profits
- TAB represents key points in the plastics value chain to ensure robust assessment of BOTTLE
- Convene annually with the All-hands meeting
- Provide written evaluations to DOE, BOTTLE LT
- Includes leads of complementary R&D efforts in this space

Commercialization Council:

- Representative from each partner institution
- Central “storefront” for accessing BOTTLE IP through partnership and licensing
- Promote rapid deployment of BOTTLE IP

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