

Bionet : a solution for biodegradable and
compostable flexible packaging

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main business activities

quality control on raw materials and processing **A**



Industrial and development activities



Technology Transfer



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Since November 2015 APM belongs to the high-tech network of the Emilia Romagna region as a laboratory for industrial research. APM has been part of the group of companies that have created the GreenTech cluster

Technical training

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Production of polymer specialties :

- Adesyl: Hot Melt adhesives and UV-curable adhesives (3D printing)
- BioRer: Blends of biodegradable and compostable thermoplastic polymers
- Lumex: materbatches of luminescent thermoplastic polymers
- Biostab: masterbatch of thermoplastic polymers with bacteriostatic activity



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Company strategy and vision in agreement with EU Life Projects and European Technology Platform for Sustainable chemistry

PRIORITIES

Resources and energy efficiency: All production processes can be conveniently optimized using renewable raw materials, recycled materials, biomasses and renewable energy sources to save as much as possible energy

Water: help improve use, treatment and develop sustainable water policies.

Raw materials: Four strategies are eco-sustainable solutions

- **Reduce** : rethinking the same application by using light weight polymers providing objects with the same performances
- **Reuse**: allows a wide recovery of the materials used in the production phase (primary recycling)
- **Recycle**: recycling polymer wastes and reinserting them as much as possible in existing production processes.
- **Replace** : replacing polymer commodities with a more sustainable biodegradable and compostable polymers with low environmental impact!)



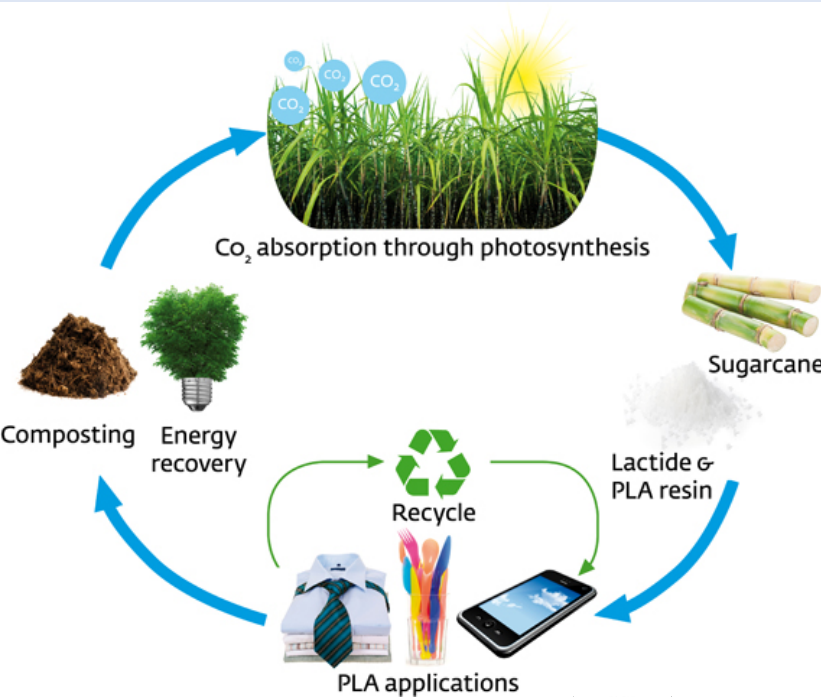
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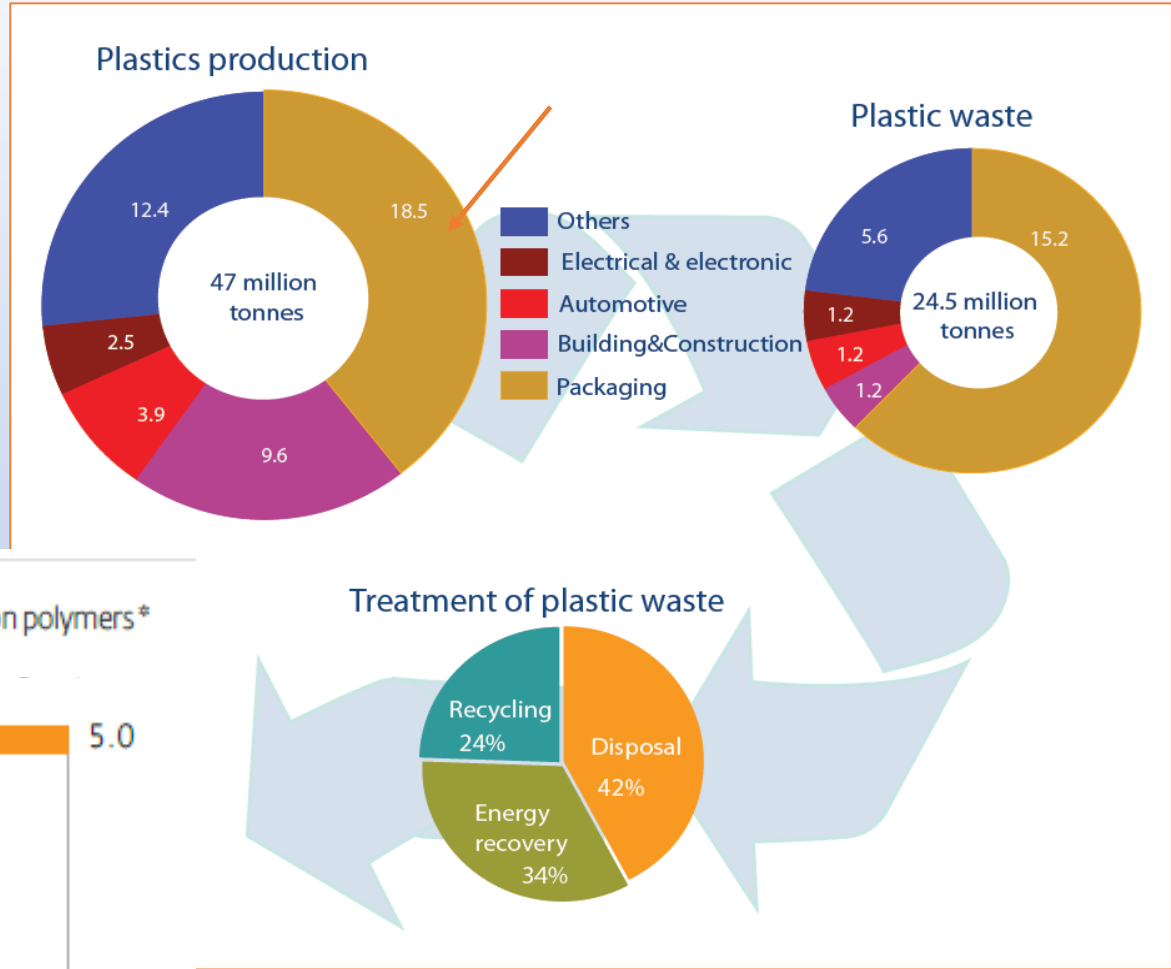
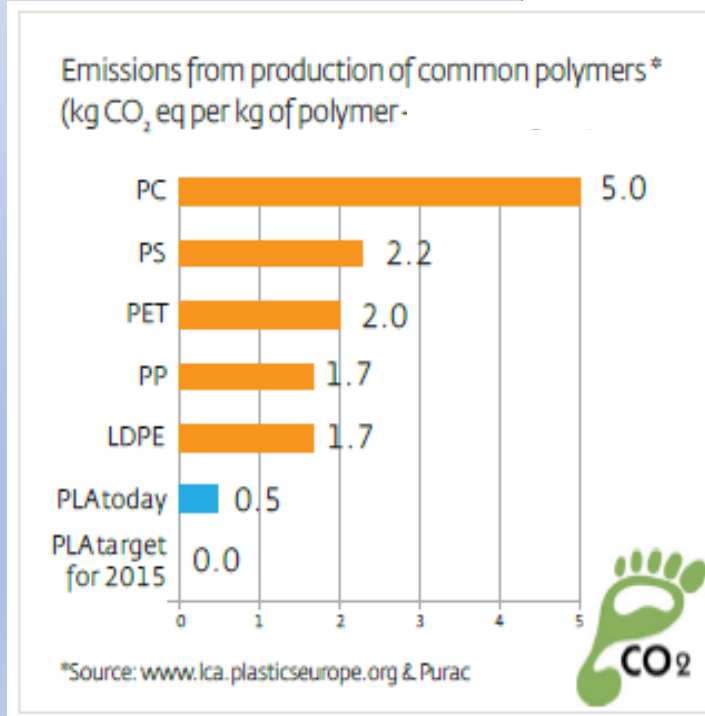
Most of the waste is made up of packaging having flexible short-lived life time, such as film trays, bottles and shoppers

The priority is to replace the commodities with biodegradable and compostable polymer derived from natural resources



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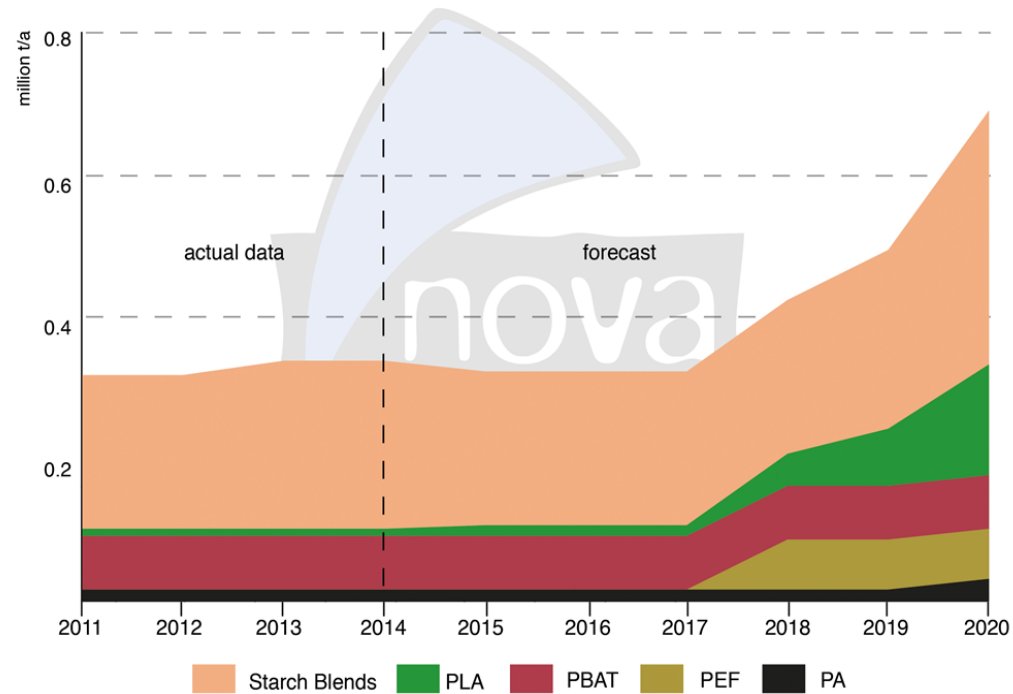
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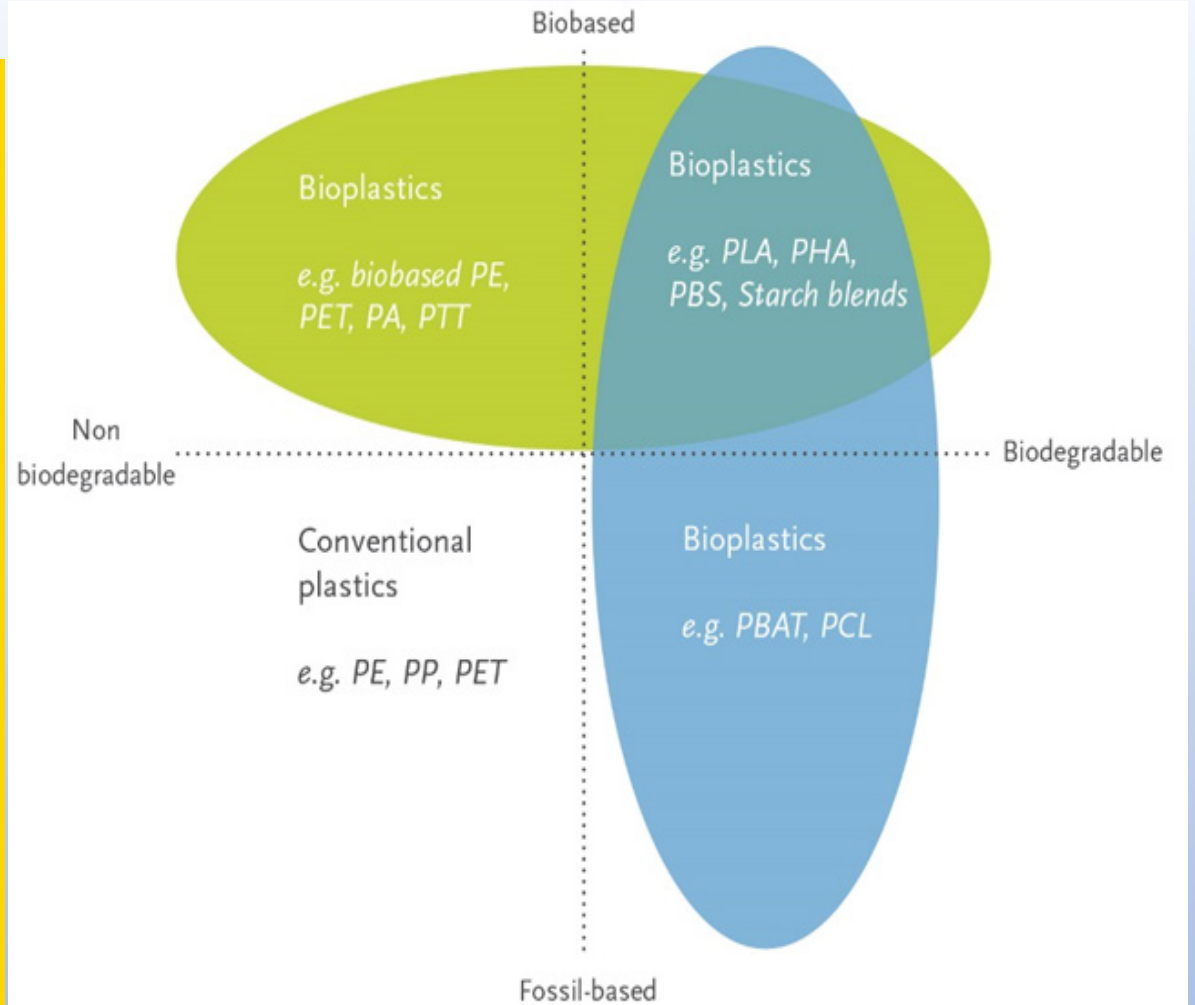
Biodegradable and compostable polymers (Bioplastics)

Bio-based polymers: Evolution of production capacities in Europe from 2011 to 2020 (without thermosets and cellulose acetate)



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Full study available at www.bio-based.eu/markets



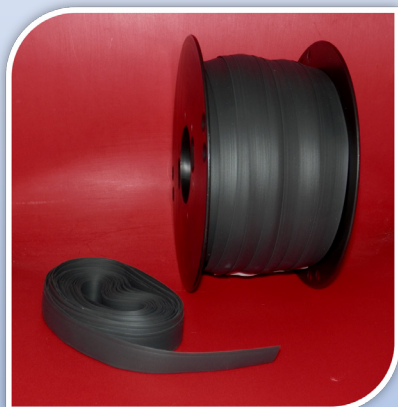
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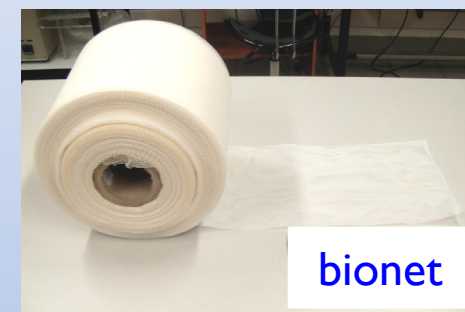
BioReR: polymer blends with biodegradable and compostable polymers derived from renewable resources



bioStab: Bacteriostatic masterbatches in thermoplastic polymers



Lumex_MB : Masterbatches with luminescent agents in thermoplastic polymers



Bionet: biodegradable and compostable nextuded nets



Extruded bionets made of polymer materials are widely used as flexible packaging for fruits and vegetables.

With packaging machines, the label is applied by heat-sealing to the extruded net.

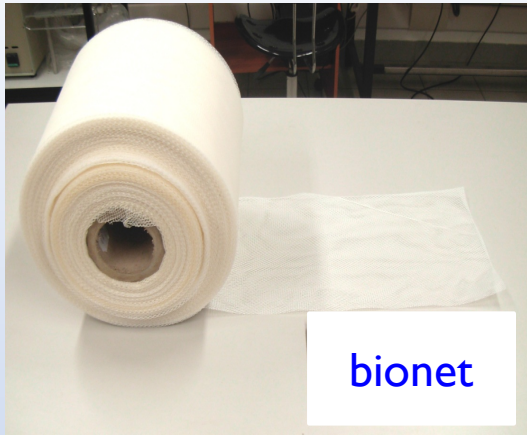
Today the extruded nets are produced in Polyethylene with a wide range of colors and weights. The packs on the market that use extruded nets are sold in reels with a length of 1000 meters with a density linear varying from 7 to 15 g / m.



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The advantages of BIONET are

- i) Biodegradable and compostable
- ii) Ideal for applications in food packaging and certified for contact with food;
- iii) reduce waste management costs;
- iv) important reduction in CO2 emissions per kg of product.
- v) obtained from 100% by weight of renewable resources



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Coloured Bionet



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Yellow



Black



Red

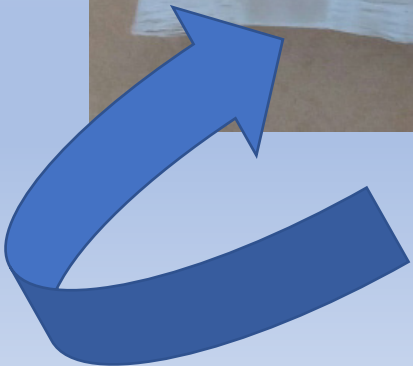


Sealed part



Unstretched bionet

Strips sealed at one edge : length 55 cm





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Future development:
Biodegradable
compostable
shrinkable
printable
labels



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The business group- biocluster



BIO cluster

APM Srl posses the know-how for the preparation of polymer blends with biodegradable and compostable polymers for the production of extruded nets with conventional technologies. Furthermore APM carries out process and product quality control activities on biodegradable and compostables blends. (www.apmlab.com)

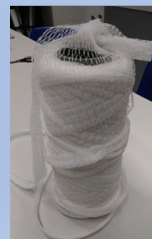


The production of biodegradable and compostable networks is entrusted to the company Marina Plastik of Comacchio (Fe), which has two lines for the production of extruded networks of networks with conventional thermoplastic polymers (PE and PP) for fish farming and food packaging. (Www.marinaplastik.it)



The company Bio-Pro Srl markets extruded nets produced under the Bionet brand for the sectors of packaging of fish, fruit and vegetable products and cured meats with the characteristics required by the GDO. (Www.bio-pro.srl)

Bionet



"Now that we can tell time, I'd like to suggest that we begin imposing deadlines."



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