

# Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup>, enabling sustainable polymer solutions

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## Reverdia: Powered by DSM + Roquette



- Ranked among top global manufacturers of renewable raw materials (starch) for food ingredients & bio-based products
- Biorefinery experts
- €2.5 billion Euros turnover
- 6600 people in more than 100 countries worldwide
- Member of UN **Global Compact**



Complimentary **Competencies Create** a Single Force for Market Success



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- Life Science and **Material Science** company
- Biotechnology leader
- 22,000 employees in 200 locations across all continents
- Annual net sales of around €9 billion
- Top ranking Dow **Jones Sustainability** Index



Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes

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### **Reverdia Mission**



Reverdia is **dedicated** to be the **global leader** in the market for **sustainable** succinic acid, focusing on **market development** by establishing partnerships with **direct and indirect customers**, building on customer **needs** and Reverdia **strengths** 





### **Global Megatrends**

### Drive the Need for Products Made from Green Materials

#### **Sustainability Environmental Decreasing Oil** Renewability Dependency Concern Long-term • Scarcity Consumer demand maintenance of for sustainability • Price volatility planet's well being Governmental • Energy security regulation on climate Drives the growth of • jobs & the economy change



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## **Commercialization Strategy**

TECHNOLOGY

World Class Sustainable



#### **BUSINESS MODEL**

Manufacture and Sales



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MARKET DEVELOPMENT Customer Partnerships





## **Emerging Value Chain for Sustainable Materials**

### Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup>, a bio-based alternative for fossil-based raw materials



# Large CO<sub>2</sub> reduction potential using Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup>

### Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup>, a bio-based alternative for fossil-based raw materials

- In polymer-related applications BioSuccinium<sup>™</sup> typically replaces:
  - fossil based succinic acid
    - reduced carbon footprint
    - Increased biocontent
  - fossil based adipic acid
    - strongly reduced carbon footprint
    - Increased biocontent

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- Calculated Cradle-to-Gate
  for Biosuccinium and Adipic Acid

## Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup> Portfolio of Products and Applications



### Application of Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup> in biodegradable polyesters

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### PBS-(X) – A family of Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup> based co-polyesters

- PBS-X actually represents a family of copolymers, based on combinations of
  - succinic acid,
  - adipic acid, and
  - terephtalic acid
- By varying the type and content of co-monomer a range of properties can be obtained



Stiffness vs Heat Deflection temperature (HDTB)

### High level comparison (copolymer ratio 50/50)



### Influence of copolymer composition on biodegradability



Source: Poly(butylene-succinate) and its copolymers: Research, development and industrialization Jun Xu and Bao-Hua Guo, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China Institute of Polymer Science & Engineering, Department of Chemical Engineering,

## Conclusions

- Biosuccinium<sup>™</sup> based family of (co)polyesters are a versatile addition to the biopolymer toolbox
  - Properties can be tuned within a relatively wide range
  - Already today a significant biobased content, with significant future potential to increase (ie bio-BDO)
- Although known for a long time in scientific, the materials (and some of it's suppliers) are relatively new to the commercial industrial scene
- Reverdia has relationships to these suppliers, and can establish connections where desired

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World's 1<sup>st</sup> commercial bio-succinic acid plant Cassano, Italy; start-up Q4-2012

## Thank you for your attention

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