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## Bioplastics from microalgae cultures

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# Nouveaux Matériaux Polymères issus de la Biomasse Microalgue

# Nieuwe Polymeermaterialen via Bouwstenen uit Microalgen



## GoToS3 : « For clever specializations »

17 projects



R & D (13)

SME competitiveness development (4)



95 partners : research, technology transfer, accompaniment, competitiveness clusters, ...

6 fields of « S3 » **common** to 3 regions



Health  
care



Agriculture  
and  
alimentation



Textile



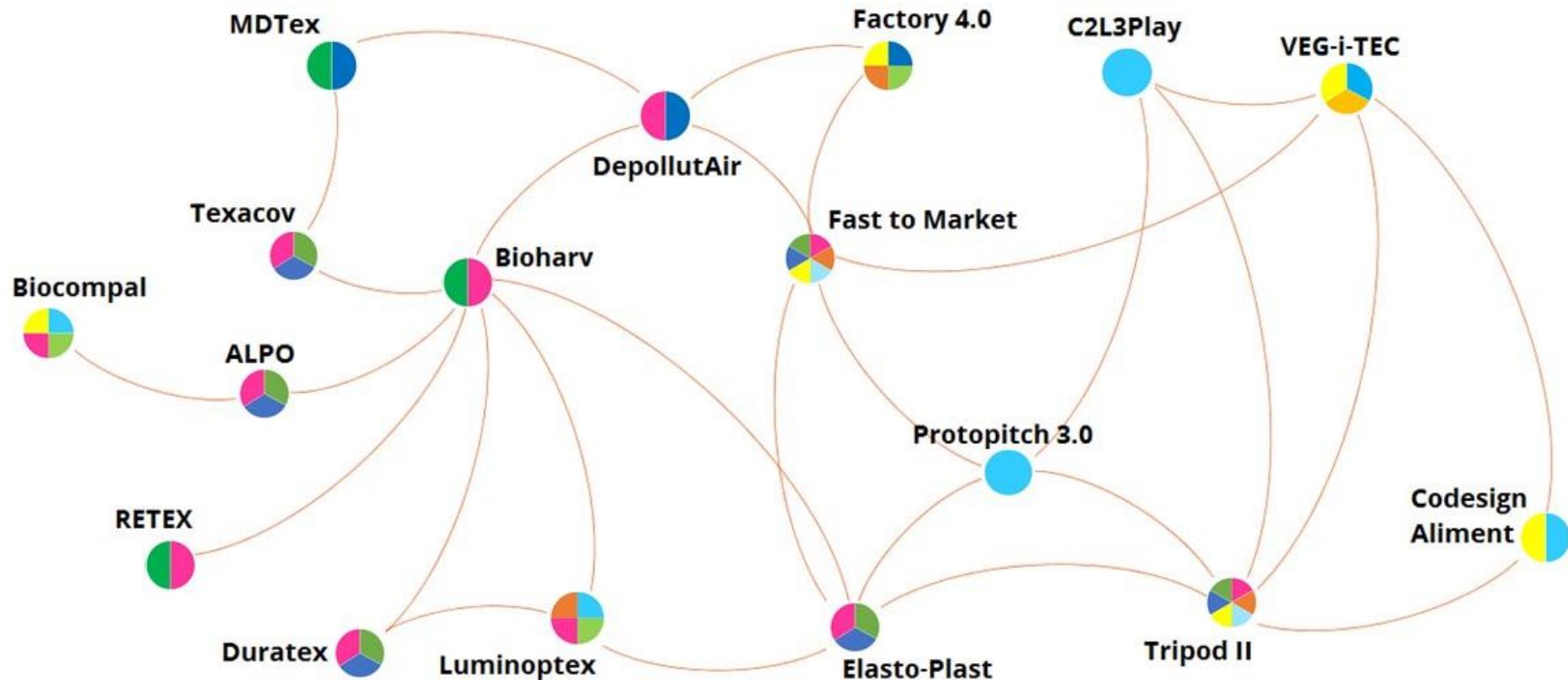
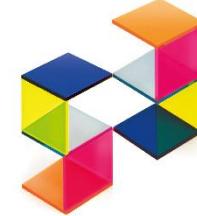
Cultural and  
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Chemistry  
and new  
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Mechatronics and  
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Environmental and societal challenges (including global warming)

- Use of renewable raw materials starts being generalized in the plastic field
- New biodegradable plastic presenting interesting and well performing properties

Development is somewhat lagging in FWVL INTERREG

# ALPO Project

## Partners

- ✓ UMONS (Project Head)
- ✓ Université de Lille 1
- ✓ Universiteil Gent
- ✓ KULAK (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven afdeling Kortrijk)
- ✓ Université de Reims Champagne-Ardenne
- ✓ AgroParisTech - Reims
- ✓ GreenWin
- ✓ AQUIMER
- ✓ Matikem
- ✓ IAR pole
- ✓ POM West-Vlaanderen
- ✓ PCG asbl

## Budget

3.492.104 €

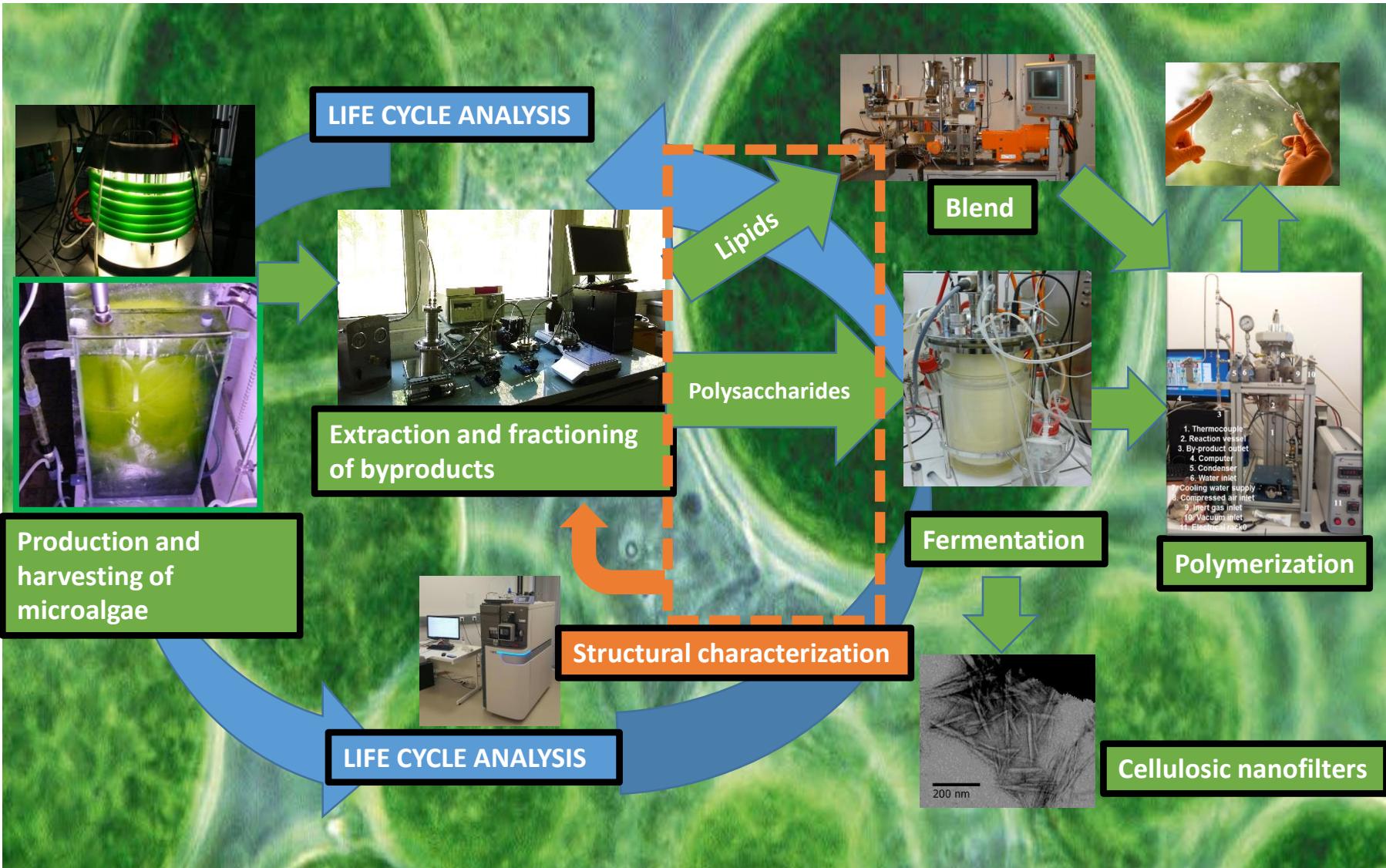
## Contact UMONS

## Research Institutes

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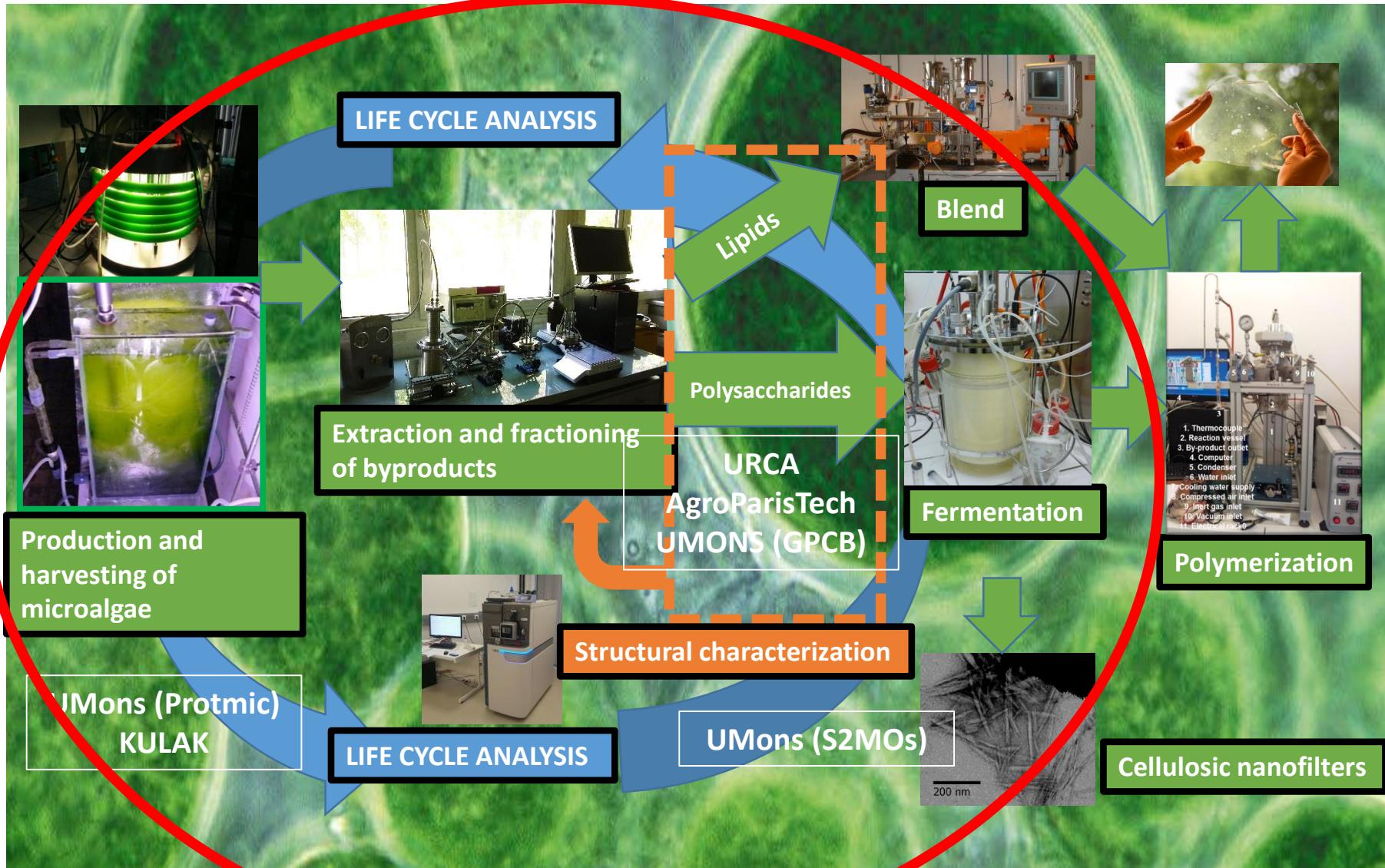
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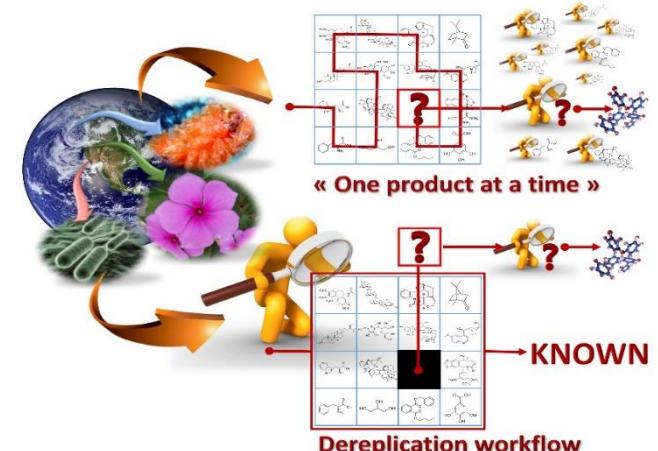
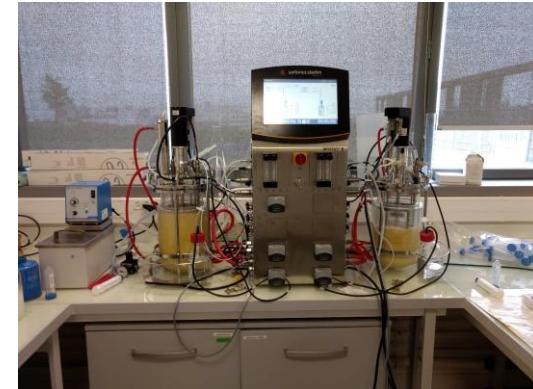
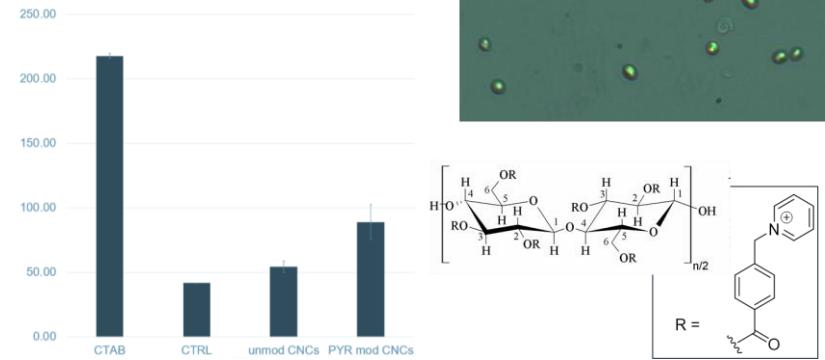
1st  
Workpackage



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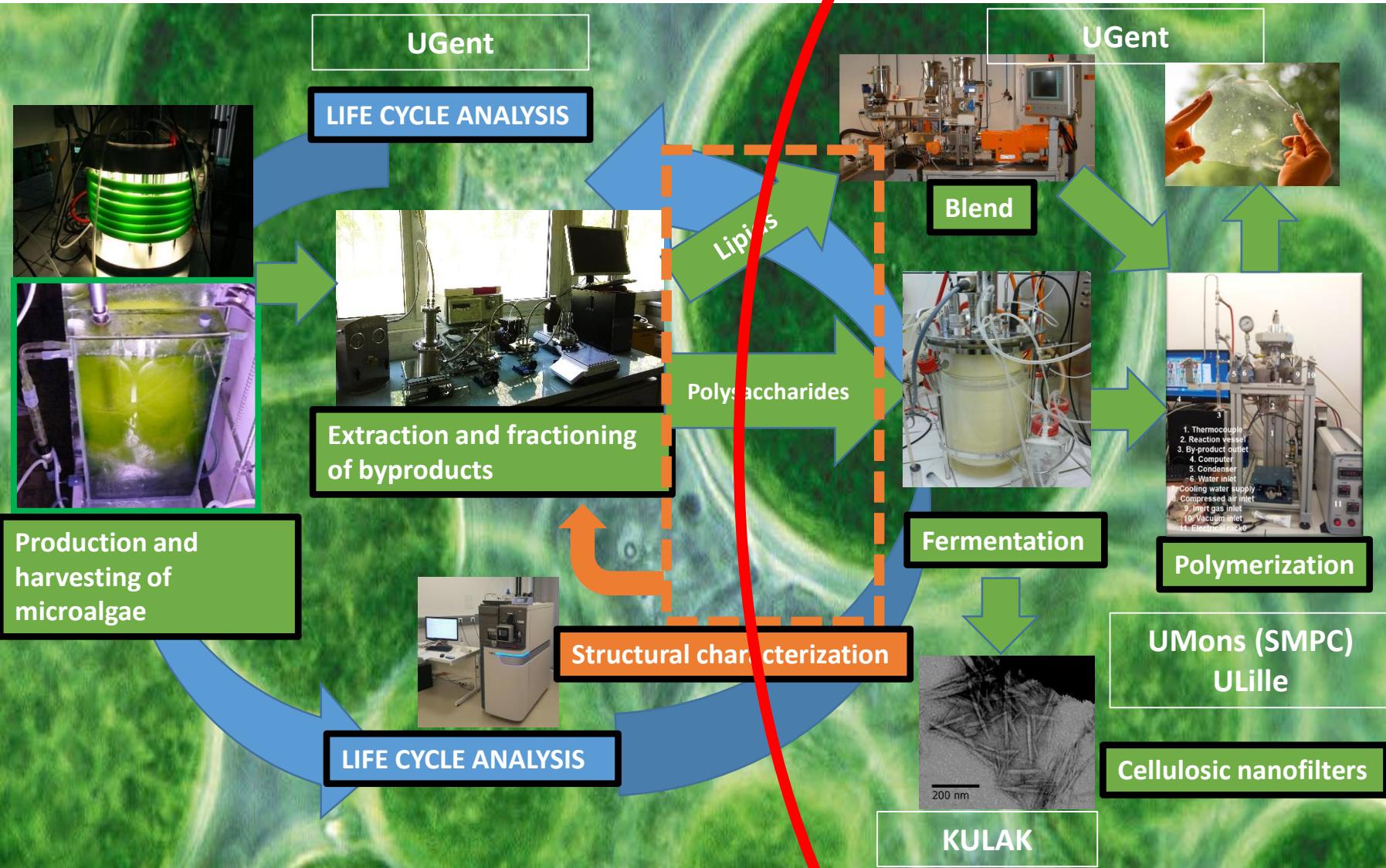
- WP 1 – Microalgae production and biorefinery (UMONS, KULAK, AgroParisTech, URCA)
- 1) Valorization potential analysis (sugars, lipids)
- 2) Culture operating condition optimization to produce building blocks
- 3) Biorefinery process development (optimization of lipids using *Y. lipolytica*)
- 4) Use of biorefinery and white biotech to produce building blocks from microalgae

Cell disruption



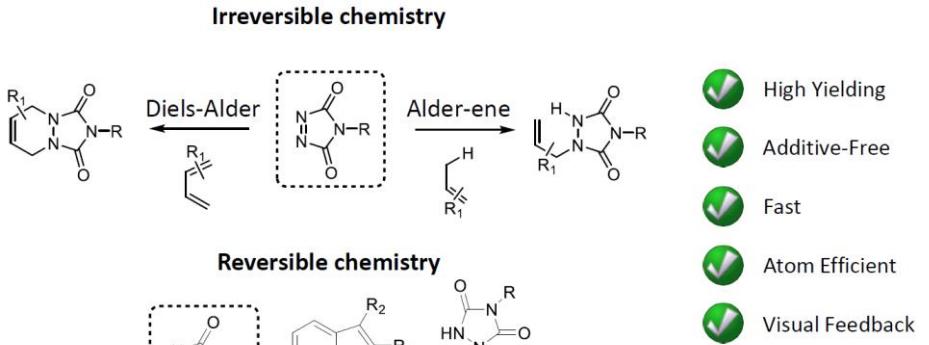
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## Second Workpackage

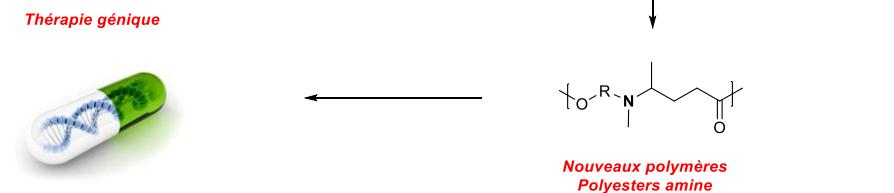
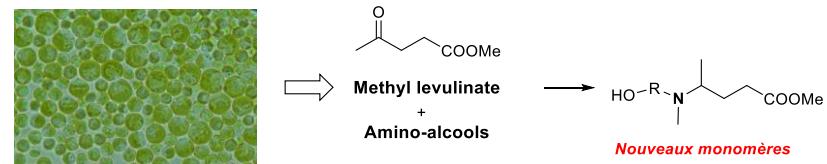
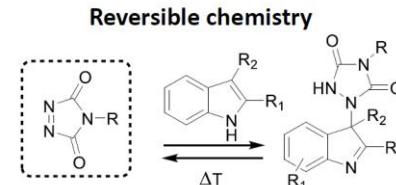


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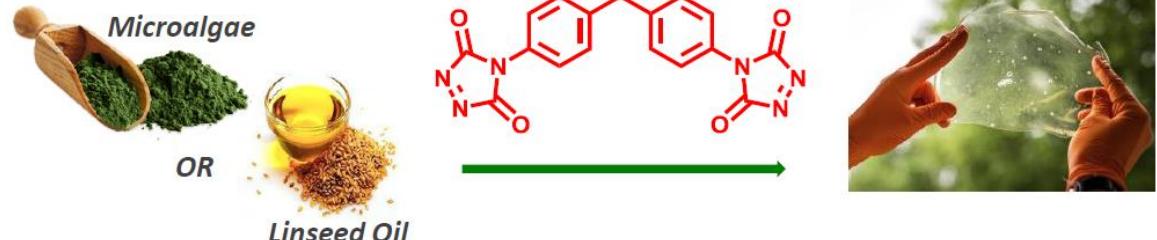
- WP2 – Bioplastic development starting from microalgae byproducts (UMONS, ULILLE, UGENT)
- 1) Lipid exploitation (reticulation using bis-TAD)
- 2) New polyester synthesis (levulinic acid)
- 3) Bioplastic additivation using microalgae byproducts
- 4) Bioplastic characterization



- ✓ High Yielding
- ✓ Additive-Free
- ✓ Fast
- ✓ Atom Efficient
- ✓ Visual Feedback

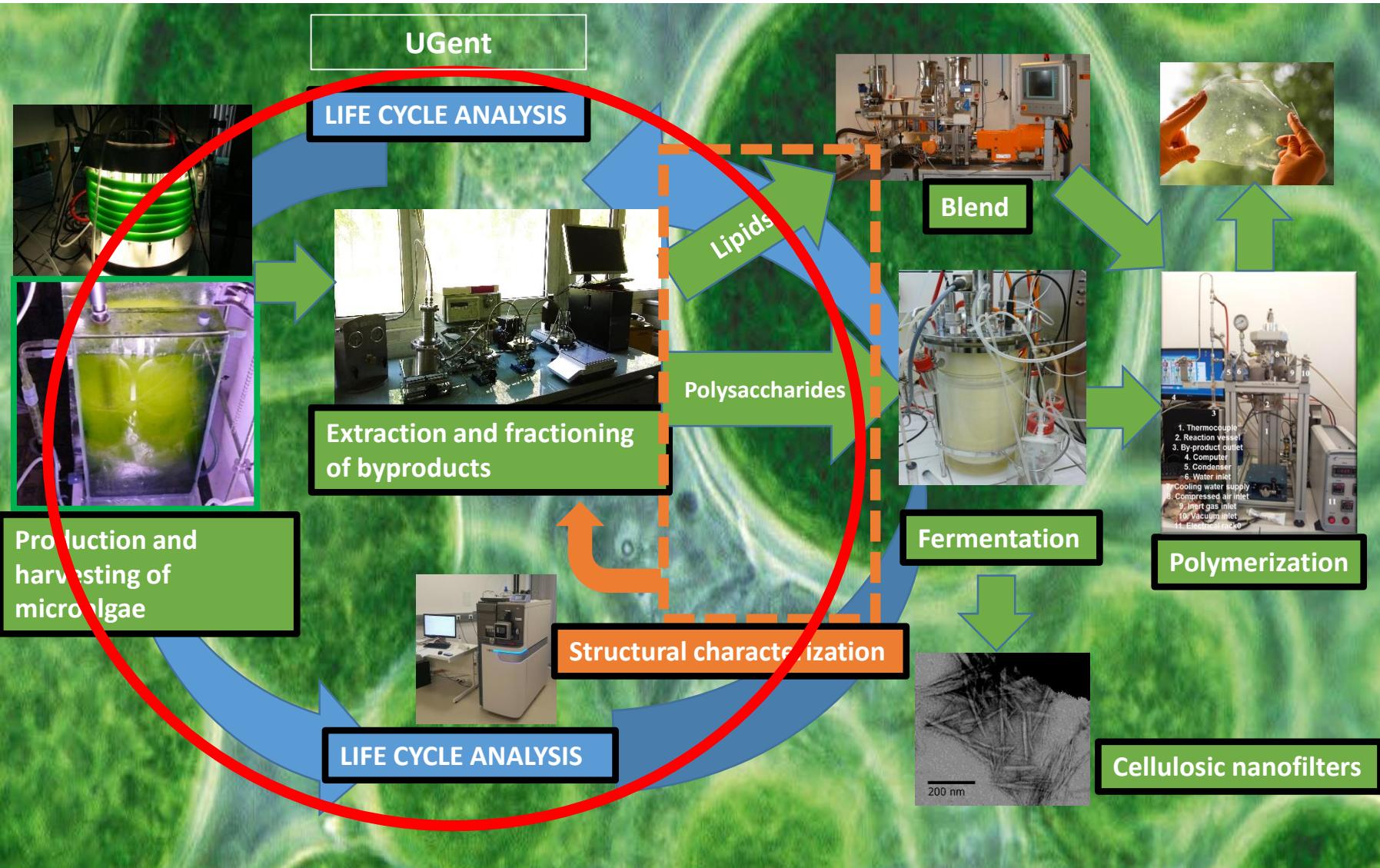


Nouveaux polymères  
Polyesters amine



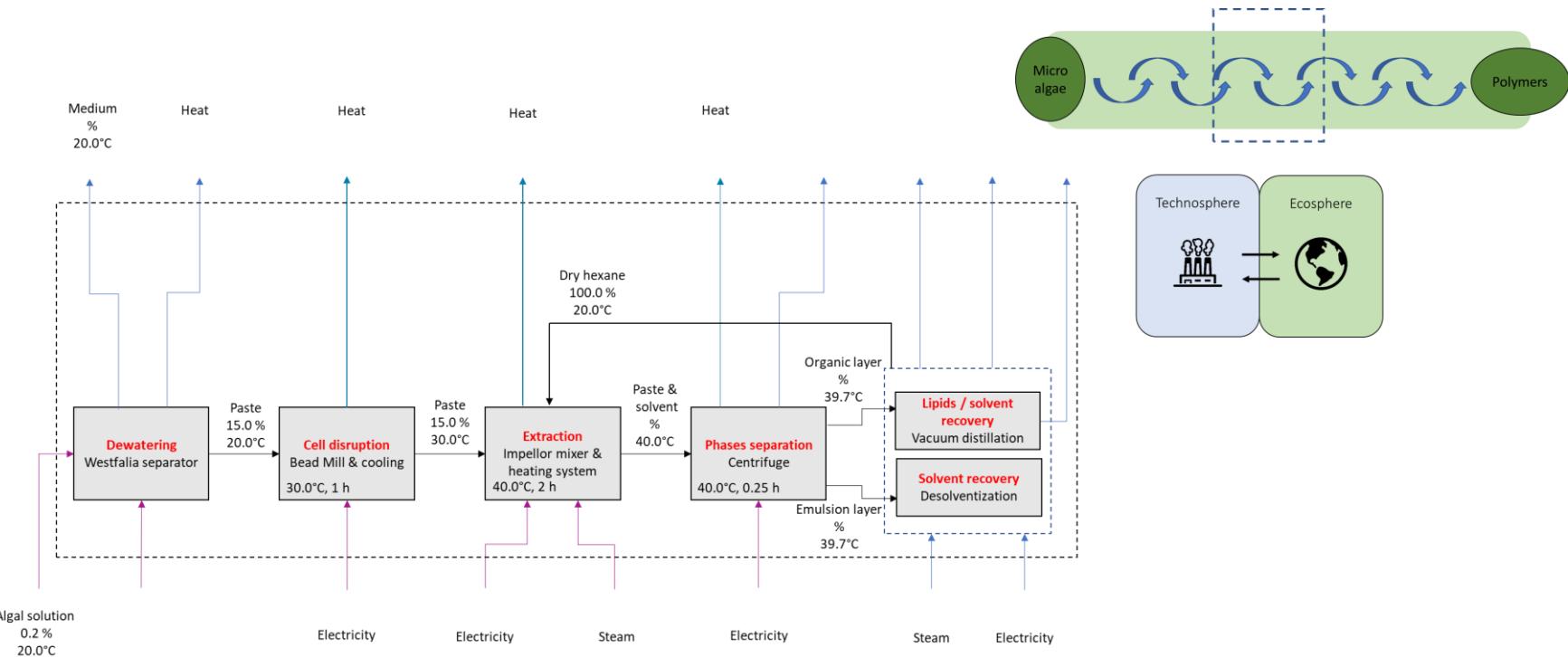
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## Third workpackage



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- WP3 - Validation and transfer to industries from FWVL INTERREG border regions



- 1) Life Cycle Analysis
  - Scenarios
  - Strain compositions

- 2) Support of industries
  - Vandeputte S.A.
  - SPADEL
  - Presentations during cluster events (Espresso Wagralim, Greenwin, ...)

# ALPO Project

- WP 4 – Training (all partners)
- Workshops and Summer schools



- Last event in UMons, Mons, Belgium (13-14/09/2018)
- 4 sessions:
  - Production and biorefinery of microalgae (4 academics and 2 industrials)
  - Bioplastics from renewable building blocks (1 academic and 2 industrials)
  - Microalgae bioproduct characterization (2 academics, 1 researcher and 1 industrial)
  - Bioplastics from microalgae: LCA (2 academics and 1 industrial)
- Industrial support (training, service delivery,...)
- Industrial sensitization (newsletters, web dissemination: [www.alpo-interreg.eu](http://www.alpo-interreg.eu), [www.gotos3.eu](http://www.gotos3.eu) )

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- WP 4 – Training
  - **Next one-day workshop announcement:**
    - **Who?** Collaboration between ALPO, BIOCOMPAL and BIOHARV, all from GoToS3 portfolio
    - **When?** By the end of 2019
    - **Where?** Mons, Belgium
    - **About?** Composite, multifunctional and biobased materials

# ALPO Project

- Several scientific perspectives
  - Cationic modified cellulose in downstream microalgae processing (harvest, disruption) (WP1)
  - Characterization of microalgae cell wall (sugar quantification) (WP1)
  - Quantification of lipids and polysaccharides in liquid and solid phases (bead mill tests) (WP1)
  - Chemical profiling (WP1)
  - Antioxydant properties of microalgae extract under analyses (WP2)
  - New polymers from microalgae (WP2)
  - Finishing data inventory of different route scenarios for LCA (WP3)

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Thank you for your attention!

## Chef de file Projectleider



## Opérateurs Partners



## Cofinanceurs Medefinanciers



Wallonie



west-vlaanderen  
de gedreven provincie



## Opérateurs associés Geassocieerde partners



maakt werk van West-Vlaanderen



PÔLE DE COMPÉTITIVITÉ  
INDUSTRIES & AGRO-RESSOURCES



Le pôle des produits aquatiques



CHEMICAL ENGINEERING & MATERIALS IN WALLONIA



DE L'IDÉE AU MARCHÉ



Prochain évènement :  
Mardi 21 mai 2019 à Douai

**Design X Plastics**

**Comment le DESIGN peut-il offrir  
de nouvelles perspectives à la PLASTURGIE?**

**2 tables rondes :**

**Recyclage plastique et  
démarche écodesign**

**Smart-plastic et  
innovation par le design**



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