

Understanding the Industry

The biofuel and biochemical industries can be allocated under the biotechnology activity umbrella.

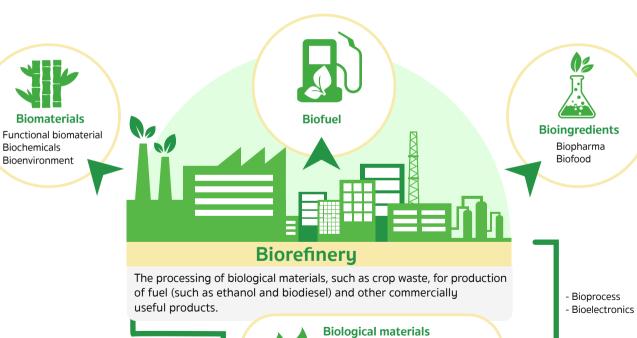
- Biotechnology is defined as the use and exploitation of biological systems, living organisms or derivatives thereof, for product development and other industrial purposes.

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and agricultural by product

Bioinformatic

Source: United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity

Biofuel and Biochemical Products



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Agriculture



Tapioca



Products

Raw Sugar Refined Sugar Molasses Bagasse

Starch
Tapioca Chips
Modified Starch



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Bio-fuels

Bio-energy

Types

Biomass Power

Lactic Acid

Citric Acid

Glycerine

Sorbitol Lysine

Biogas

Ethanol

Biodiesel

Products

Bio-chemicals

Olechemicals

Bio-plastics

PBS



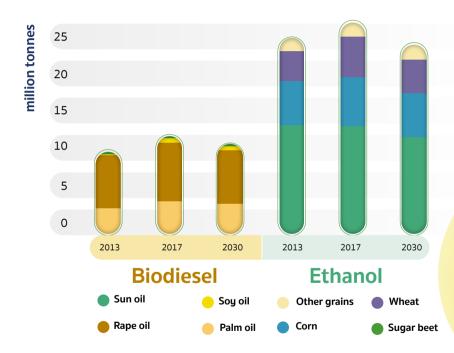
Biofuel: Global Demand Prediction

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The demand for biofuel is predicted to decrease in 2030 due to policies that promote the adoption of electric vehicles in the United States and Europe.

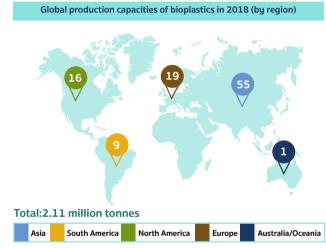
Source: Strategie Grains, Oilworld, PRIOR, Rabobank 2017



Biochemical: Global Bioplastic Production Prediction

The global capacity for bioplastics production is expected to expand from 2.11 million tons in 2018 to 2.61 million tons by 2023. Currently, over 50% of bioplastics production is taking place in Asia, making it a major production hub in the region.









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Overview of the Thai Biodiesel Industry

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Crude palm oil producers in the global ranking

At present, the production of biodiesel in Thailand is mainly for domestic consumption, while the import of biodiesel remains under the control of the Department of Energy Business.

The commercial manufacture of biodiesel took off in Thailand in 2007. Since May 2017, the government has specified that B100 should be included in the diesel mix at a rate of 7%.

The results was that biodiesel

consumption has steadily

expanded over time.

Timeline Biodiesel Blend in Thailand





Biodiesel Production in Thailand



Feedstock No. of Plan		Installed Capacity	
CPO + Other Feedstock	4	2.11	
Palm Stearin + Other Feedstock	7	2.93	
RBDPO + Palm Stearin + PFAD	3	1.20	

Unit: Million Liters / Day

Thailand's Biodiesel Balance

Crude Palm Oil Production 2.63 Million Tons

Crude Palm Oil Import

0.01 Million Tons

Domestic Consumption 2.14 Million Tons

Export

Stock

0.3 Million Tons

0.49 Million Tons

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Refined Oil & Oleochemical 1.18 Million Tons

Biodiesel Industry

0.97 Million Tons



Overview of Thailand's Biochemical Industry



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Cassava

Export¹

Quantity = 10 Million tons/Year Value = \$ 2.3 Million¹ According to National Innovation Agency (NIA) research, using cassava starch as a feedstock for bioplastic products is 30% cheaper

than using corn starch.

Cassava Pellets Chip Native Starch Sago Modified Starch



Sugarcane

Export²

Quantity = 6 Million tons/Year
Value = \$ 2.3 Million
Bioplastic production processes
consumes only 54,000 tons of
sugar per year which is less than
1% of the total export. Moreover,
the processing of sugarcane to
produce bioplastics creates
almost 10-times value added
benefits.³

Raw Sugar White Sugar

6X -15X Value Added

Ethanol	Biogas	Biomass	Lactic Acid	
1,058 million liter/years⁴	1,523 million liter/years ⁴	2,321 MW ⁴	330,000 tons/year ⁴	
Citric Acid	Sorbitol	Lysine	PBS*	
15,000 tons/years ⁴	43,000 tons/years ⁴	47,000 tons/years ⁴	20,000 tons/years⁴	

The biochemical industry contributes significantly to the Thai economy as it is able to add substantial value to raw agriculture products.

For instance, the conversion of sugarcane into polylactide (PLA) can increase its value at least sevenfold, and the conversion of sugarcane and cassava to bioplastic can triple or quadruple their values.



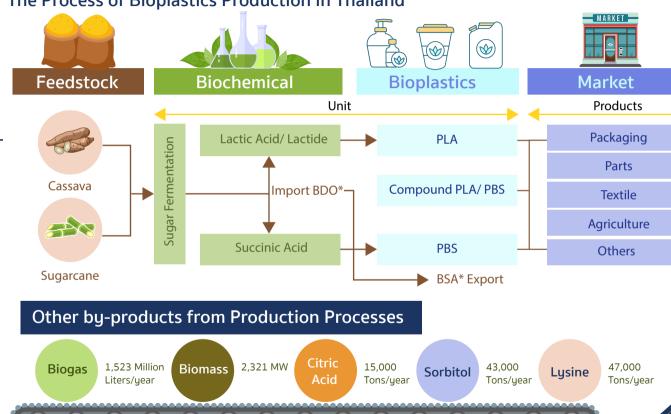
- 1, 2Office of Agricultural Economics
- ³ Thailand Bioplastics Industry Association (TBIA)
- ⁴Petroleum Institute of Thailand and BIOTEC

Note:

* PBS = Polybutylene Succinate Exchange rate (BOT, May 1, 2017): USD 1 = THB 34 70



The Process of Bioplastics Production in Thailand





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Strong Supply Chain of Bioplastics Production

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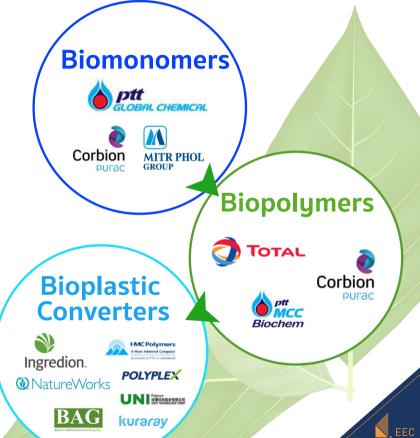


The first PBS Bioplastic plant in the world

2nd PLA Producer in the world

2nd largest exporter of plastic in ASEAN

14th largest exporter of plastic in the world



Source: Petroleum Institute of Thailand

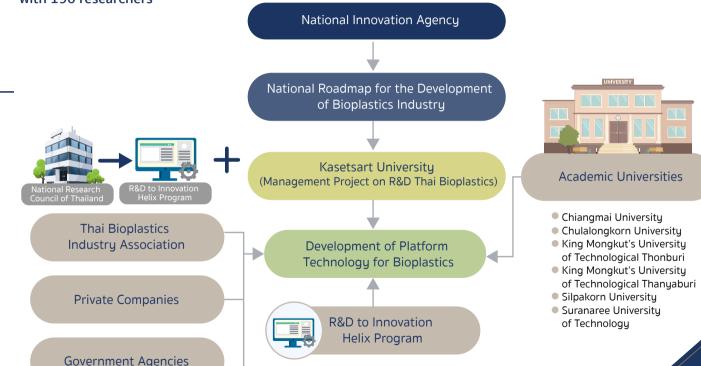
Cooperative Funding to Bioplastics Research and Development

Building strong technology capability as R&D cluster of 2 research institutes and 15 universities with 190 researchers

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Investment incentive package for investment projects in the Eastern Economic Corridor (2020-2021)



Remarks:

- A1 : Knowledge-based activities focusing on R&D and design to enhance the country's competitiveness.
- A2 : Infrastructure activities for the country's development, activities using advanced technology to create value-added, with no or very few existing investments in Thailand.
- АЗ : High technology activities which are important to the development of the country, with a few investments already existing in Thailand.
- Section 8: Technology and Innovation Development includes targeted core technology development such as development of biotechnology, nanotechnology, advanced materials technology and digital technology.

New investment promotion measure in EEC

- Starting January 2, 2020

According to the announcement of the Board of Investment No.2/2563, announced on January 15th, 2020,

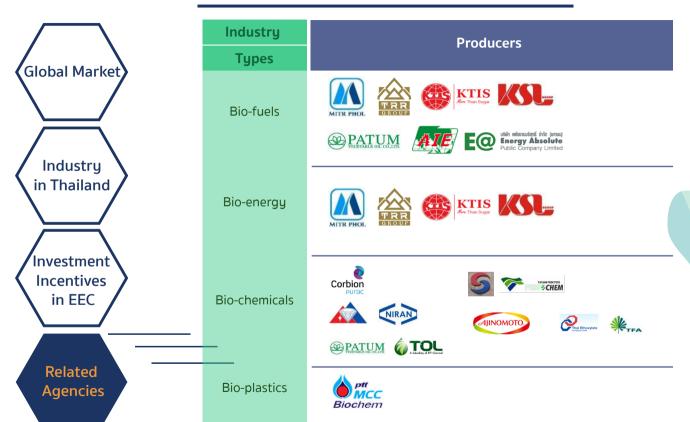
- Applications must be submitted by the last working day of 2021.
- Projects located in the four promoted zones for specific industries (EECi, EECd, EECa and EECmd) are eligible for the incentives without application deadline.





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Examples of Bioplastic Producers



Product : Bio Degradable Bag



Product : Shopping Bags, Plastic Packaging, Plastic Bottles and Utensils



Product : Housewares, Furniture, Film, and Rigid Packaging



Product : Nonwovens, Food Packaging, Durables, Apparel and Films



Product : Resin, Films, Fibers, and Dental Material



Product : Bottle, Films, Sheets and Extrusion Coating



Product : Hot Stamping Foil, Flexible Air Conditioning Ducts, and Book Lamination

Associations and Institutions





















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Research Centers



Center of Excellence on Petrochemical and Materials Technology, Chulalongkorn University



Bioplastics Research Unit, Prince of Songkla University



Cassava and Starch Technology Research Laboratory, Kasetsart University



Department of Biotechnology, Faculty of Science, Mahidol University



Faculty of Science, Burapha University



Faculty of Engineering and Industrial Technology, Silpakorn University



Faculty of Science, King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang



Faculty of Science and Technology, Thammasart University

