

Biomaterials: transformation and characterisation

Workshop: “Strategies for development of
successful bioplastics for the food packaging”.

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New BioBased Film for Packaging
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Tecno at a glance

Tecnopackaging is a technology-based SME involved in the development of **innovative plastic materials and products**

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Researchers & technicians



Customers

60

0.2 M€

Investment in equipment per year

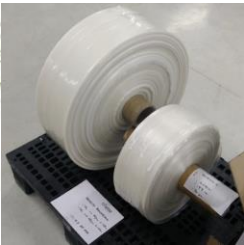


Annual budget

1 M€



European projects



We develop and produce **plastic compounds and products according to your needs** thanks to our great know-how on advanced polymeric compounds and our extensive network of partners



Customised materials

- ▶ **Biopolymers:** PLA, PHA, PBS, PBAT, starch
- ▶ **Technical polymers:** PEEK, PPS
- ▶ **Nanocomposites:** nanoclays, CNT, graphene



Smart packaging

- ▶ Anti-microbial, antioxidant, barrier properties



Sustainable packaging

- ▶ Recyclability improvement, eco-design
- ▶ Agrowaste revalorisation: natural fibres, cellulose...
- ▶ Biobased, biodegradable, compostable, food-contact



Material validation for industrial production

- ▶ We test your material for optimal processing



Capabilities: material development

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Extrusion-compounding



Material characterization



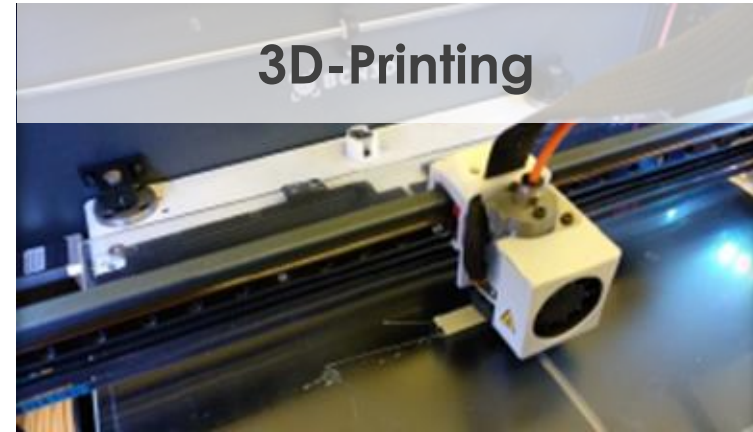
Capabilities: plastic transformation

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Injection



3D-Printing



Extrusion blow-moulding



Film-blowing



Thermoforming



Bioplastics extrusion-compounding



Bioplastics film casting



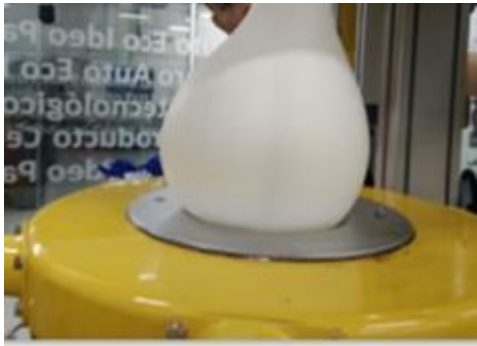
Bioplastics film-blowing



PHA blends film-blowing: reaching stability

PHA is blended to enable its processing due to its **short processing temperature range**

- Blending with other biopolyesters
- Branching agents
- Nucleant agents
- UV stabilizer
- Melt strength enhancers



Very **short processing temperature range**: adjust parameters very carefully if melt strength is inappropriate, the tube will be either too viscous or too fluid (collapse easily)



- **Film tube does not crystallize in time**: material sides should not stick to each other when the film is rolled
- Many times **nucleation additives** are needed to speed up the process. Sometimes these **additives do not fully melt** and may break the tube (high differences in melting and processing temperatures)



There are **thickness differences** among the different areas of the tube or lack control

TECNOPACKAGING role's in **NewPack** New BioBased Film for Packaging



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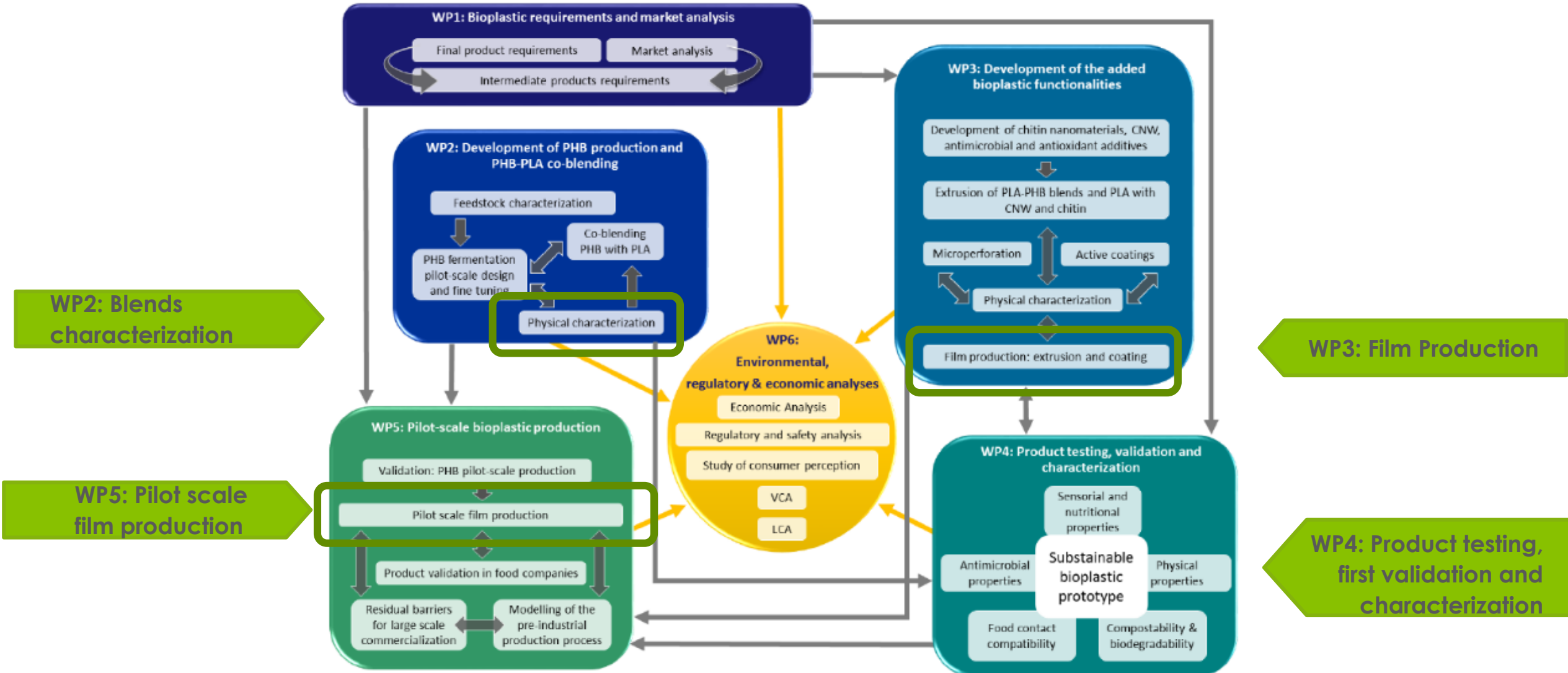


Role in NEWPACK

TECNOPACKAGING's role is as a film-blowing manufacturer at semi-industrial scale with bio-based blends coming from the project



TECNOPACKAGING Role's in NEWPACK



Experts in plastic materials

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