# CORN BIO-REFINERIES (DRY)





- 11% of US production, 7% world
- 1.6 billion gallons of ethanol per year
- 27 production Biorefineries in Eastern and Western Corn Belts

- Raw starch hydrolysis (no-cook) process
- Industry-leading gallons per bushel



- Proprietary low-temperature enzymes
- Total Water Recovery system
- •2.6 gal water per gallon ethanol





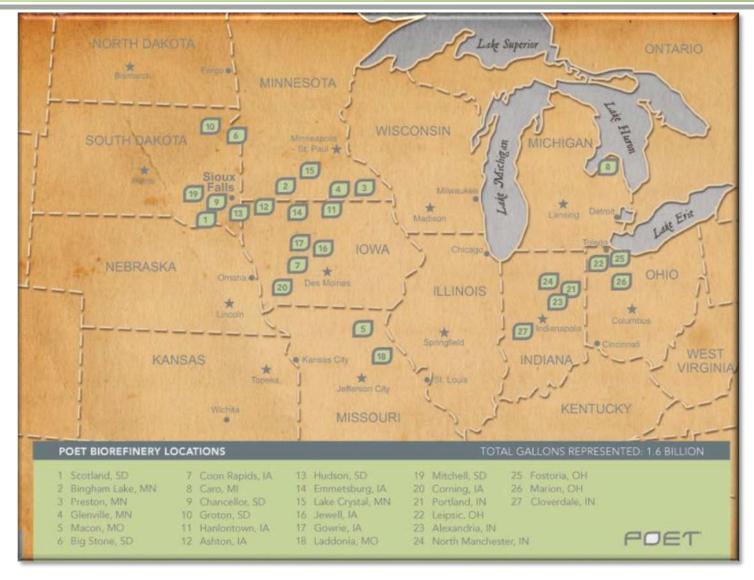
- •550 million pounds
- Distillers corn oil
- Biodiesel production, feed and potential food grade oil
- 9 billion pounds
- POET Heat-Free Process maintains nutritional integrity
- Poultry, cattle, dairy





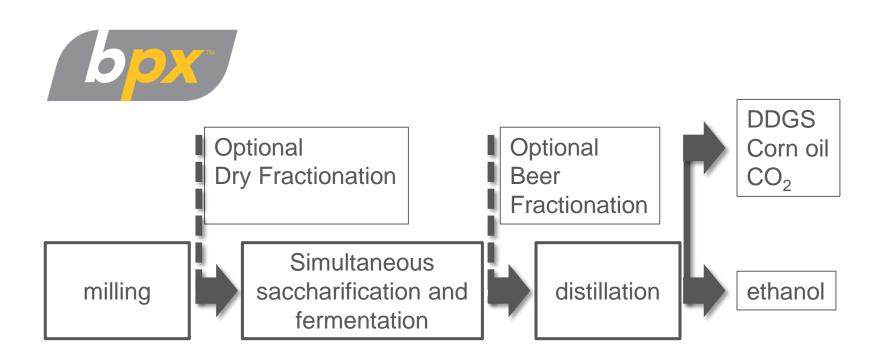
# POET BIOREFINERIES





# **BPX PLATFORM**



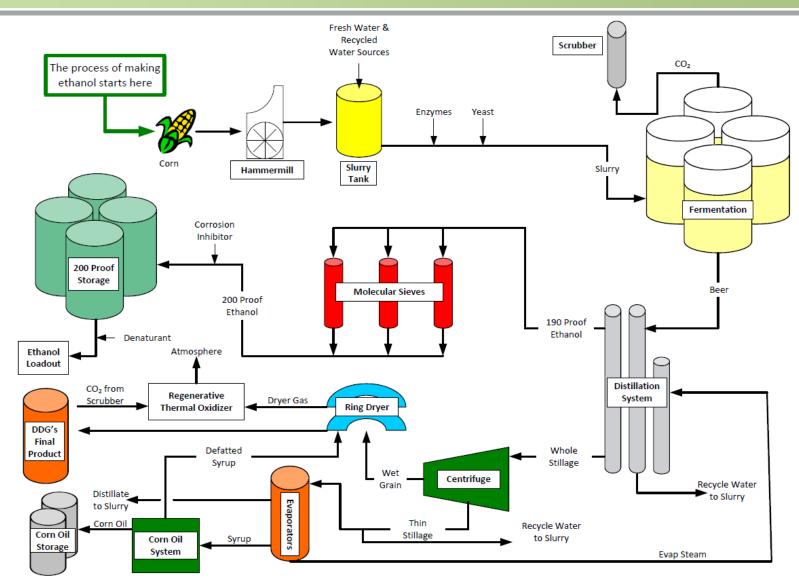


#### **BPX**

- Low temperature raw starch hydrolysis
- Proprietary α- and glucoamylase
- Controlled starch hydrolysis

# UNIT OPERATIONS





# CORN ETHANOL IN THE USA



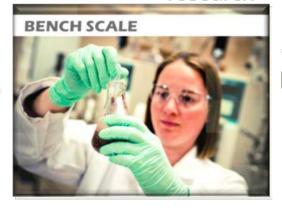
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  - + Future trends in corn ethanol

# PROCESS OPTIMIZATION





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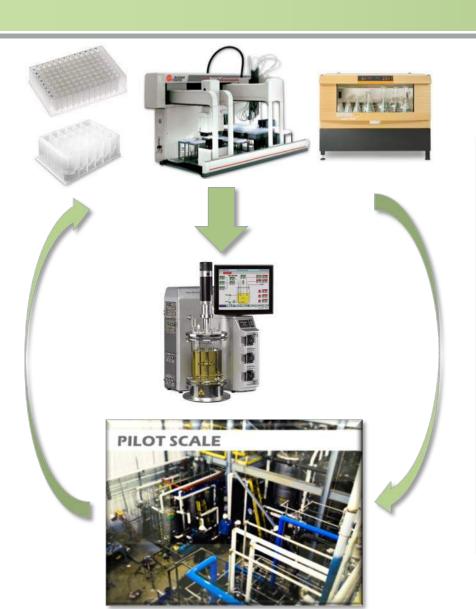




Biorefining

# LABORATORY RESEARCH





#### HTS Laboratory Research

- mL to L scale (1000 × )
- 10-20 × increased throughput

#### **Enables**

- 8 variable modeling
- Large DoE
- Accelerates technology roll-out

#### **Predictive**

- Pilot/Biorefinery data/economics
- Identifies most interactions

# PILOT RESEARCH







#### Pilot scale

20,000 gal pilot fermentation

#### **Enables**

- Biorefinery effects
  - Recycle
  - Plant atmosphere
  - Operators vs. Scientists

#### **Predictive**

- Biorefinery data/economics
- Identifies problems early

# PLANT RESEARCH



#### **Biorefinery Research**

- 550,000-770,000 gal, to 1,000,000
- Dedicated PRI Deployment resource
- POET Plant Management involvement
- Sophisticated data acquisition

#### **Enables**

Biorefinery process modeling

**Economic Value Determined** 





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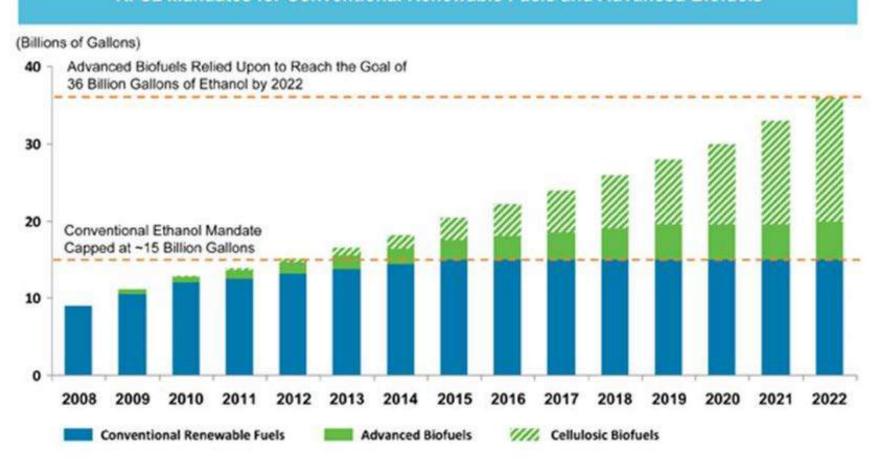


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#### RFS2 Mandates for Conventional Renewable Fuels and Advanced Biofuels



Source: Environmental Protection Agency, Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007

# POET - CHANCELLOR



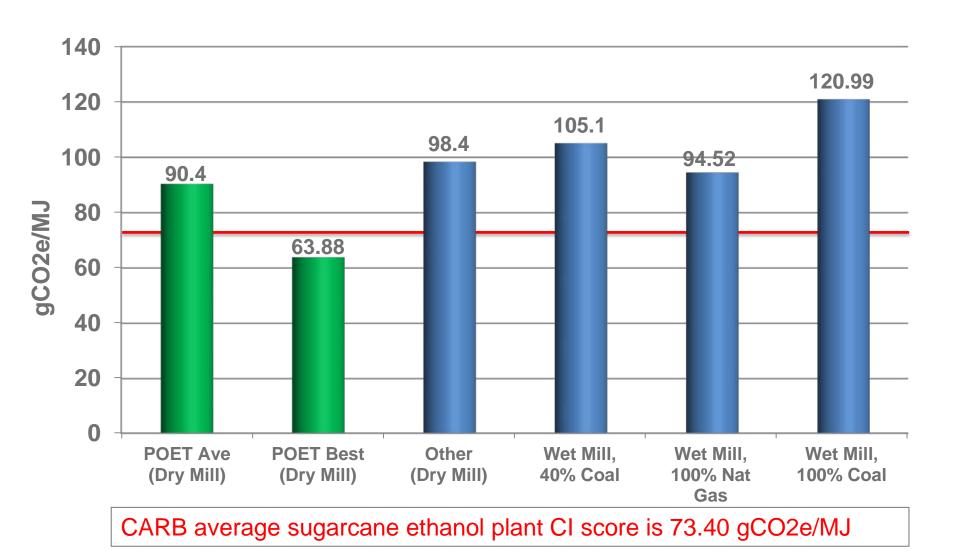
- 120 MM gal facility
- 2.88 gal/bu for corn
  - California Air Resources Board (CARB) assumes 2.72 gal/bu
  - + Reduces farming emissions (per MJ ethanol)
- Gas from Sioux Falls Regional Sanitary Landfill
  - Dedicated pipeline, credit for methane emission avoidance
- Solid fuel boiler
  - + Waste wood
- Carbon Intensity of 63.88 gCO<sub>2e</sub>/MJ
  - + CARB assumes 97.56 gCO<sub>2e</sub>/MJ





# CI VALUES





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# CBP, LOW GLYCEROL YEAST



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# TRANSFERM® TRANSFERM® Yield+

PLANT	GA REDUCTION	GLYCEROL REDUCTION	YIELD BOOST (ETHANOL/SOLIDS)	NUMBER OF FERMENTATIONS
Pilot	-30%	-30%	+4.1%	5
Plant 1	-40%	-23%	+2.9%	67
Plant 2	-35%	-30%	+4.8%	15
Plant 3	-50%	-43%	+3.1%	14
Plant 4	-30%	-28%	+2.7%	3
Summary	-30% to -50%	-23% to -43%	+2.7% to +4.8%	104

TransFerm Yield+ demonstrated a 2.7% to 4.8% increase in ethanol yield compared to conventional yeast (over 100 fermentations).

# ALTERNATIVE PRODUCTS-ISOBUTANOL





Luverne, Minnesota 22 MGPY ethanol 18 MGPY butanol ICM is EPC provider





Highwater Ethanol, LLC in Lamberton, Minnesota 50 MGPY ethanol FAGEN is EPC provider



# CELLULOSIC FROM FIBER

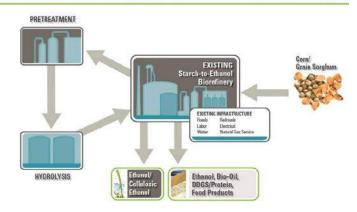




Adding Cellulosic Ethanol (ACE) project in Galva, Iowa 35 MGPY starch, 2 MGPY cellulosic



#### Generation 1.5: Integrated Cellulose at Existing Facilities





PATHWAY™ Platform, 3-6% increase, pilot scale

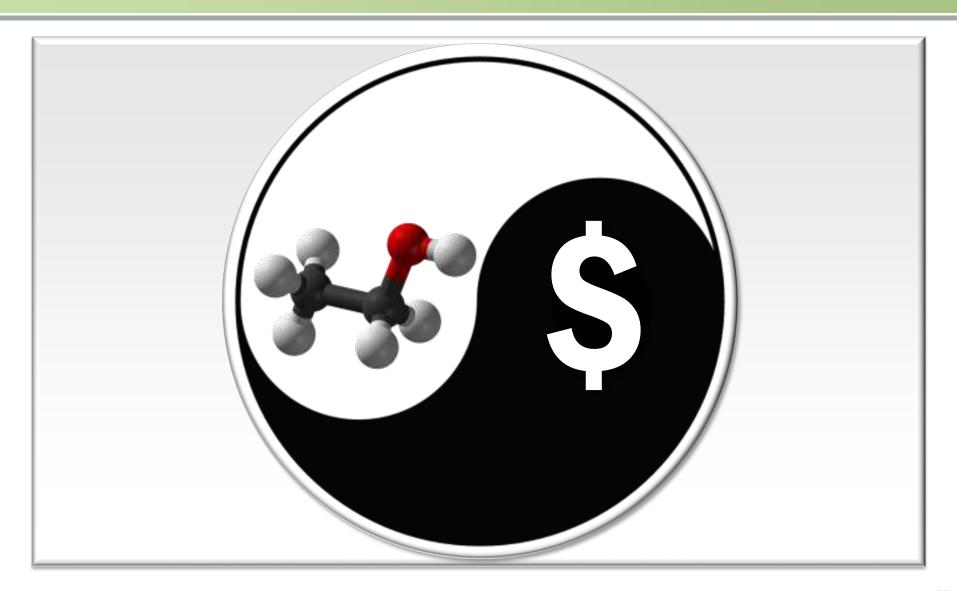
# CELLULOSIC CO-LOCATION





# **TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION**





### SUMMARY



- BEST COLLABORATORS IN VALUE CHAIN
- CONTINUOUS PROCESS IMPROVEMENT
- ITERATIVE BETWEEN LAB AND PILOT
  - + DESIGN OF EXPERIMENT TO ENSURE STATISTICAL RELEVANCE
  - + STRONG MASS CLOSURE
- MATHEMATICAL AND ECONOMIC MODELING
- RAPID ROLL-OUT

# **THANK YOU!**