

Commercialising Biobutanol



GBL Experience

- A UK (Oxford) based industrial biotech
- Founded 2003, VC backed
- Global leader in production of bio-butanol by fermentation
- Focus on the chemical market as accelerator to the biofuel market
- Team with proven commercial & technical expertise
- Technology Company focused on commercial deployment



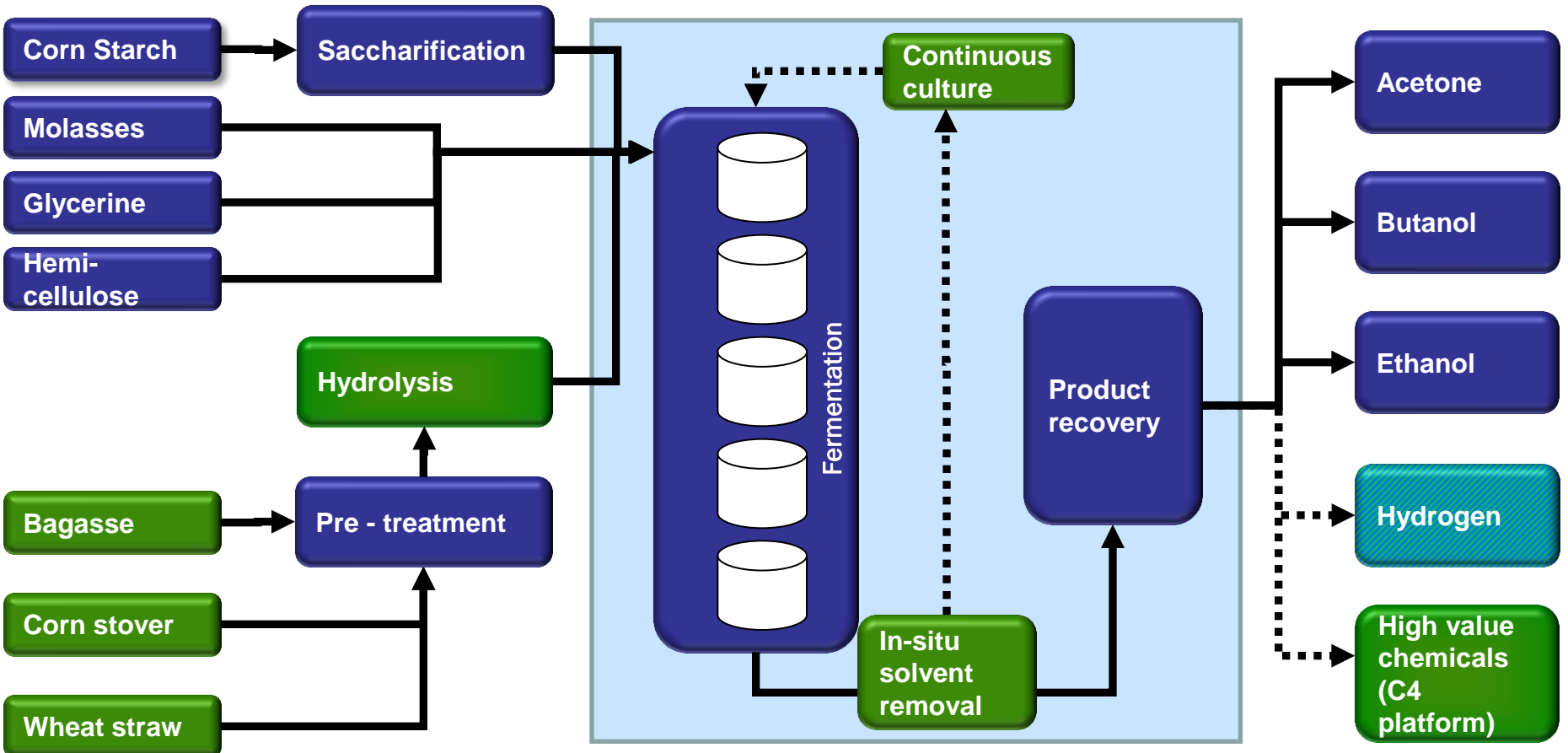
GBL's Process Expertise

Feedstocks

Pre-treatment

Process

Products



 Existing Technology
 Future Development

Chemical Market

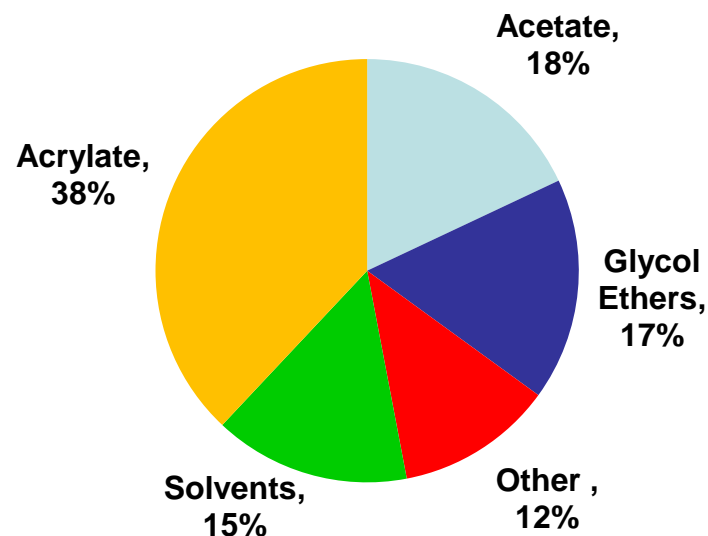
Chemicals Today

(\$4.3bn p.a. market, inc. at 4% p.a.)

- Achieve a premium price (\$1800-2000/t)
- Used for paints, coatings, resins, polymers & solvents
- Bio-butanol can be used as a direct substitute (competes on price)
- Offers significant reductions in GHG emissions
- Growing demand for renewable chemicals



N-Butanol Consumption in 2008



Biofuel Market

Biofuels Tomorrow

(\$50bn p.a. worldwide market inc. at 7.5% p.a.)

- Derived from multiple feedstocks
- High energy content
- Non-corrosive (can be shipped via pipeline)
- 1:1 replacement potential for gasoline
- Can be blended into diesel (up to 40%)
- Can replace gasoline in E85 fuel
- Reduces GHG emissions by 95%
- Reduces carbon monoxide emissions to .001% & oxides of nitrogen by 37%
- Regulations requiring biofuel blends guarantees the market (EU/US)



Cellulosic butanol will be a premium product at lowest cost

Fermentation Route



South Africa

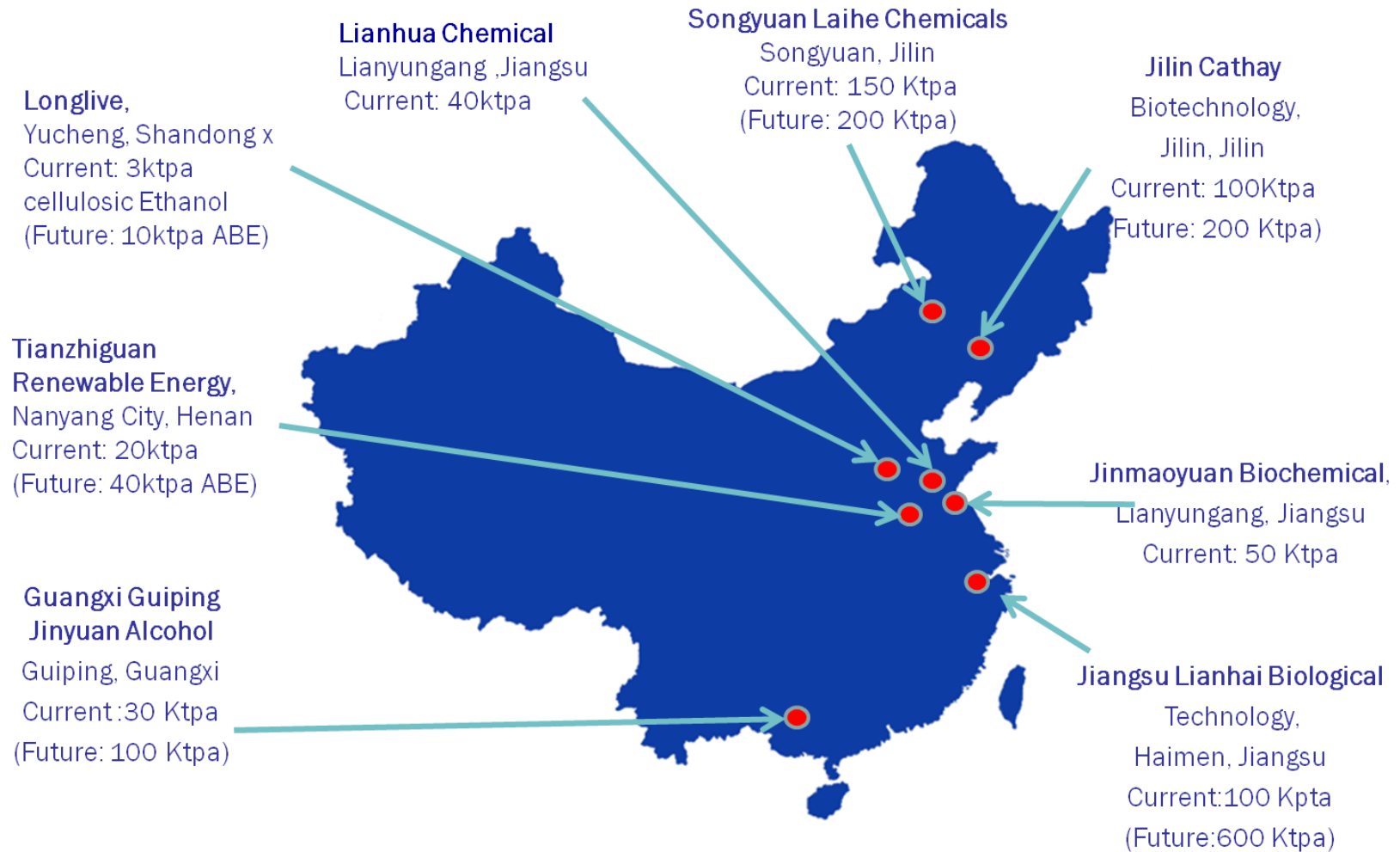
- ABE process (1940's to 1980's)
- Struggled to compete with low cost oil
- GBL has unique process & production insights



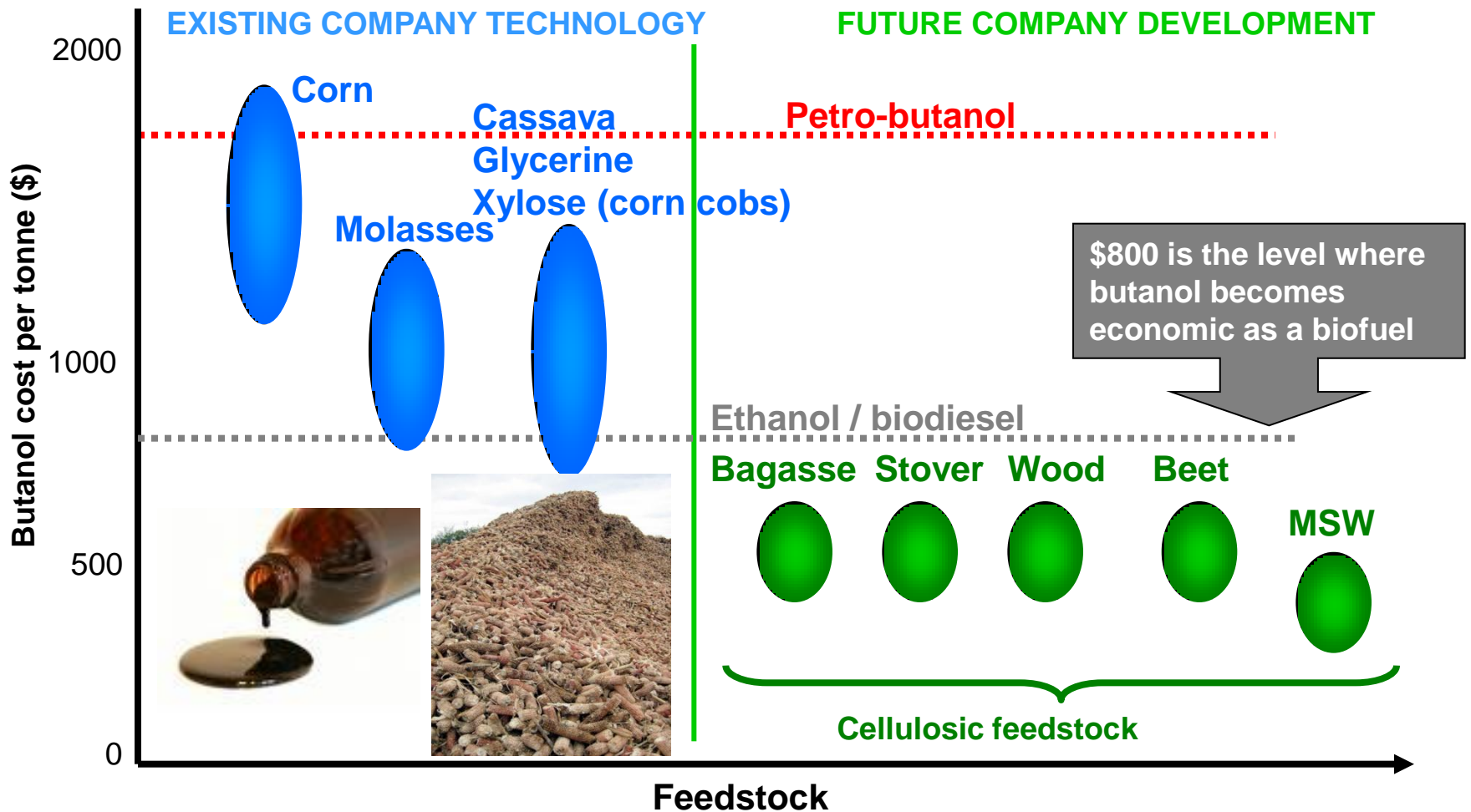
China

- \$200mn investment in 300,000 tonnes of capacity built in 2006
- In 2008, plants uneconomic due to a sharp drop in oil price
- Plants rely on corn starch & the fermentation technology is inefficient
- Require advanced technology solutions

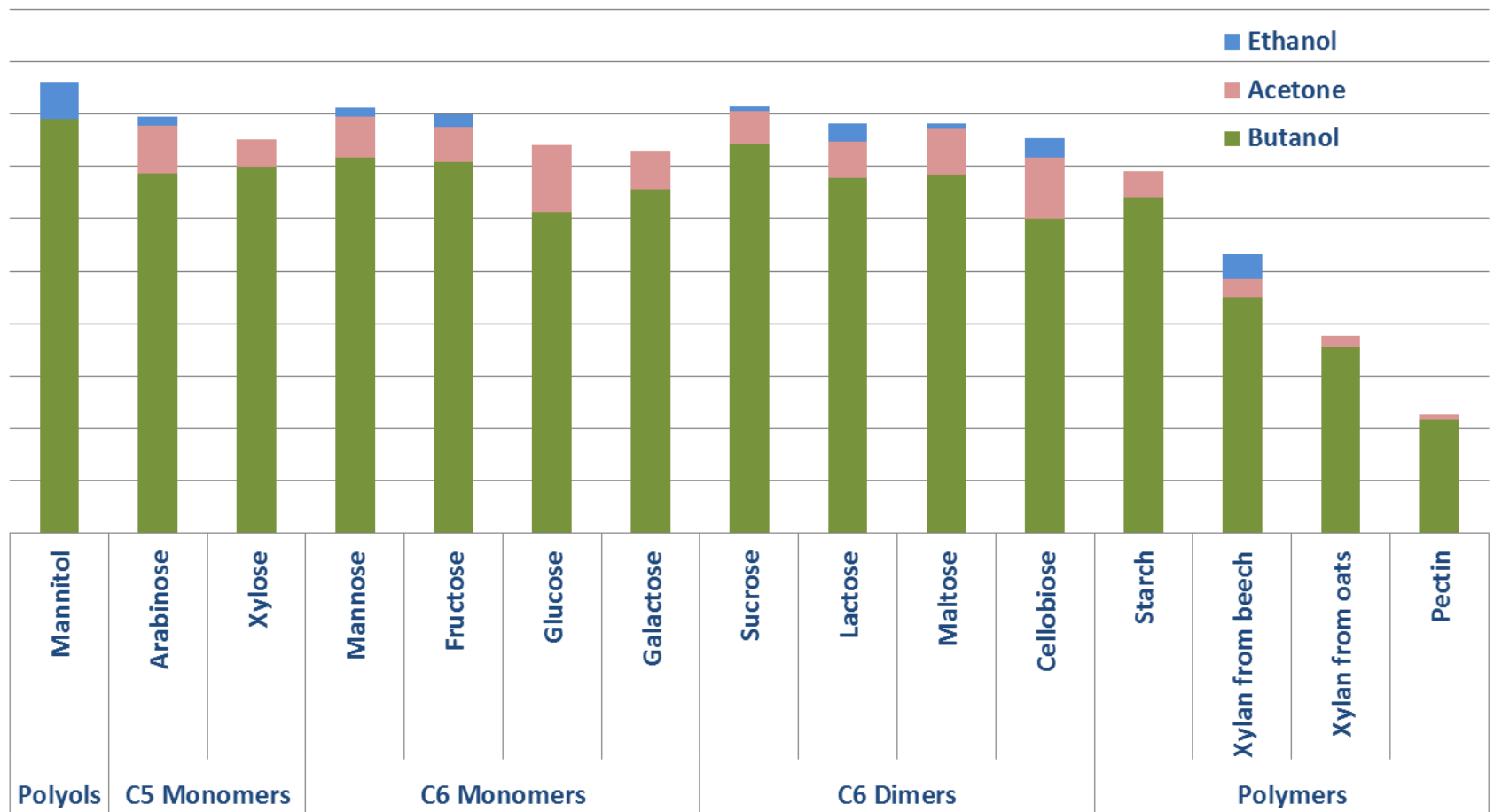
ABE Production in China



Cost Reduction (with cellulosic feedstocks)



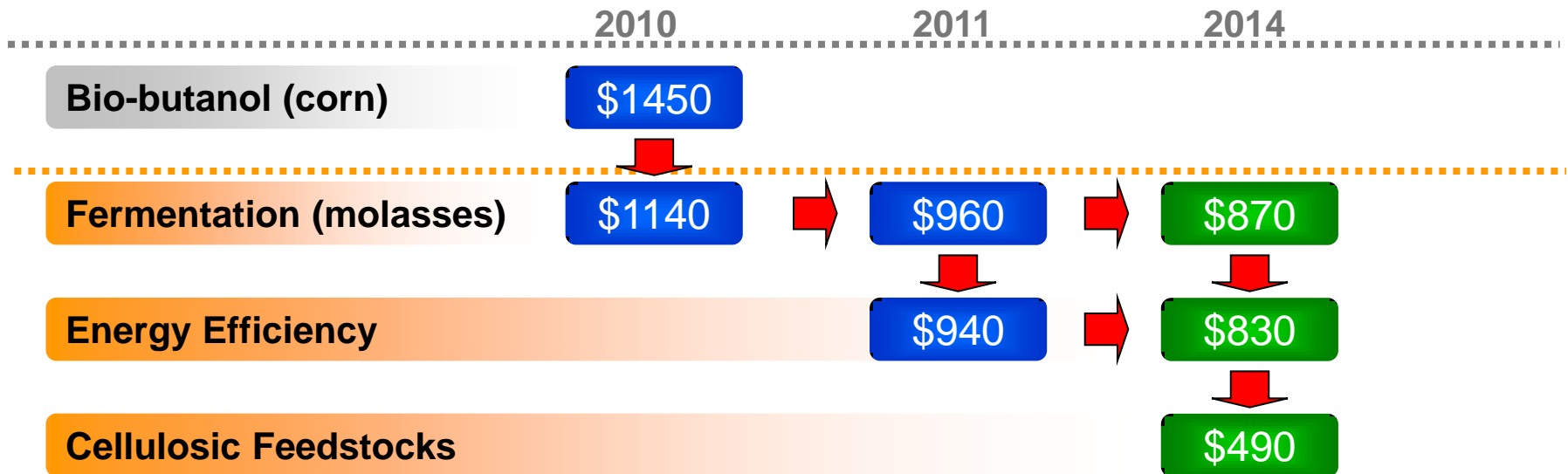
GBL strains have a broad substrate range



Economic Yields on Industrial Feedstocks

Feedstock	Country	Pre-treatment/ Hydrolysis	ABE Yield	B:ABE Ratio
Molasses	India/China	Sugar mill	34%	69%
Cane & beet sugar	UK	Juice extraction	35%	79%
Corn starch	US	Thermal (cooking)	35%	79%
Corn shells	China	Mild acid (C5)	35%	78%
Corn stover	US	Steam explosion, enzymatic	37%	67%
Sugar cane bagasse	Brazil	Thermal-mechanical, enzymatic	34%	64%
Wheat straw	EU	Steam explosion, enzymatic	35%	66%
Rice straw	EU	Conc. Acid	31%	72%
Mixed hardwoods	US	Supercritical CO ₂ /water	29%	83%
Paper pulp waste	US	Kraft pulp mill (C5)	29%	80%
Municipal solid waste	UK	Thermal (autoclave), enzymatic	25%	70%
Sugar beet pulp	UK/Canada	Mild acid, enzymatic		

Cost Reduction Matrix



Productivity

A two-fold increase can reduce CAPEX by 20%
(\$5 million for a 50,000t /a solvent plant)

GBL Today	Molasses (India)	\$862
	Bagasse (Brazil)	\$759

GBL Summary

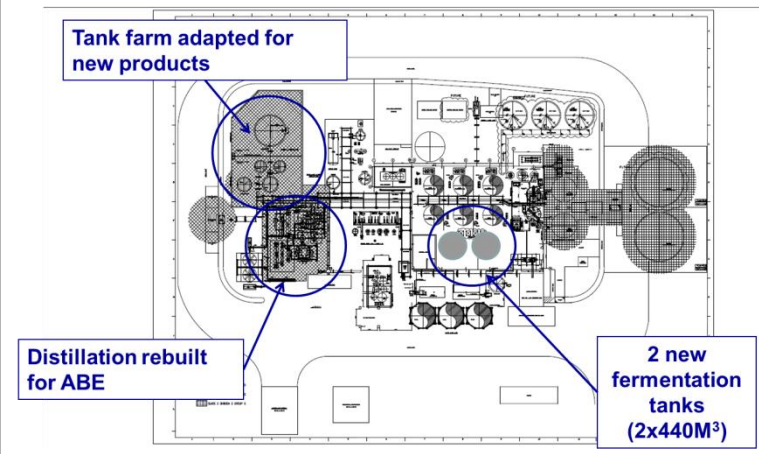
Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Butanol (ABE) • C4 chemical platform 	Differentiated & superior
Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial reference sites • Demo sites (cellulosic feedstock) 	<p>Economic today</p> <p>Drive down costs</p> <p>Create low cost leadership for renewables</p>
Markets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemicals • Biofuels 	Two stage
Commercialisation Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Butanol retrofit • Ethanol retrofit • Ethanol bolt on 	<p>Capital light</p> <p>Rapid</p> <p>Allows technology upgrades</p>
Geographies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • China & US • Brazil & India 	<p>Available Assets</p> <p>Feedstock availability</p> <p>Chemical/biofuel markets</p>
Business Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology licence/royalty • Product marketing/off-take • Own & operate 	Develop with Company maturity

Commercial Projects

Butanol
Retrofit



Ethanol
Retrofit



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