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# ABENGOA BIOENERGY NEW TECHNOLOGIES



From research and demonstration to the first commercialization plant: Abengoa Bioenergy's experience in 2nd generation bioethanol

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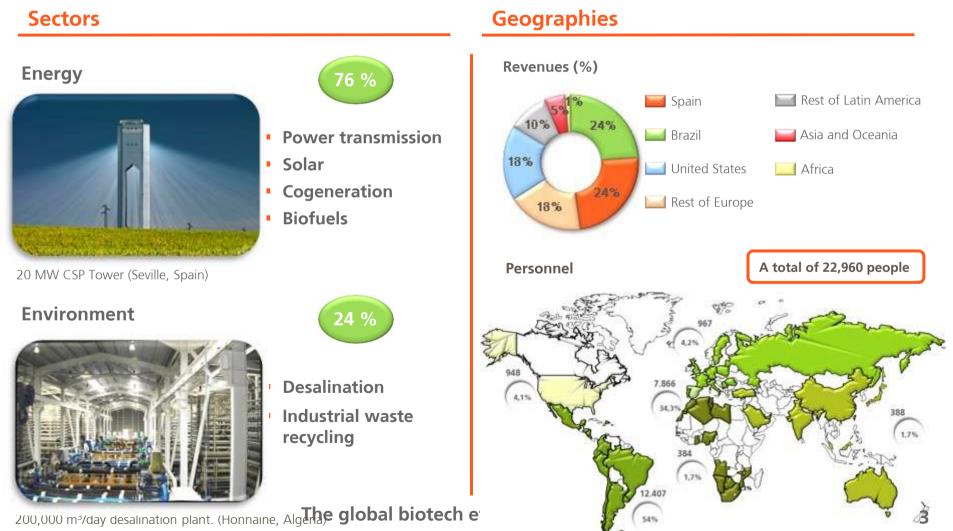
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### Abengoa

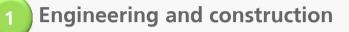
Abengoa (MCE: ABG) is an international company that applies innovative technology solutions for sustainable development in the energy and environment sectors, generating electricity from the sun, producing biofuels, desalinating sea water and recycling industrial waste



Note: figures as at September 2011.

Abengoa

### Successful strategy based on three activities



- 70 years of experience.
- Proprietary know-how.
- 1st international contractor in power and 1st in transmission and distribution.





- Power generation plants, desalination plants and power transmission lines.
- Very low market risk.
- An average of 27 years of regulated revenues.



### Industrial production

- Industrial technology businesses such as biofuels, industrial waste recycling or solar energy.
- High growth markets.
- Market leadership.

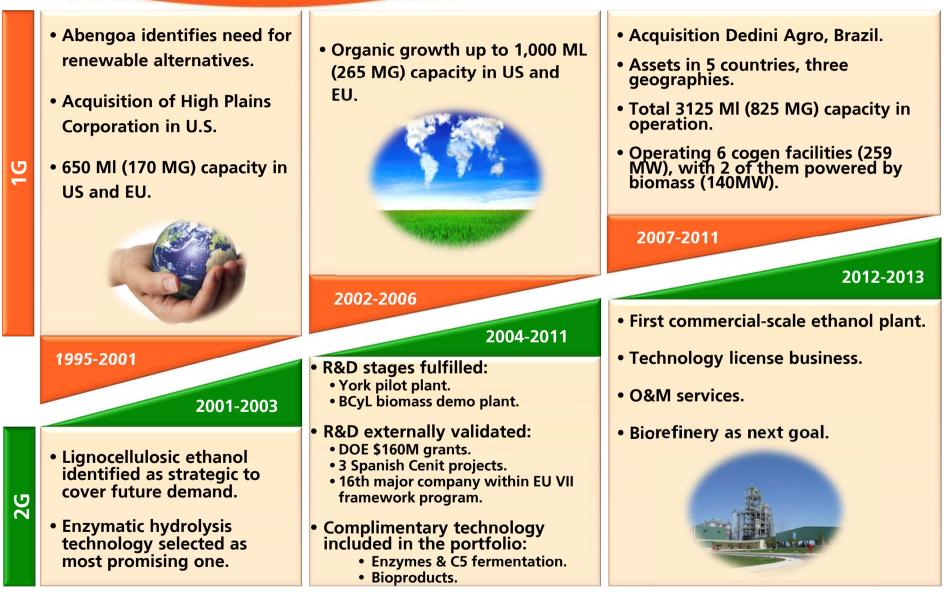
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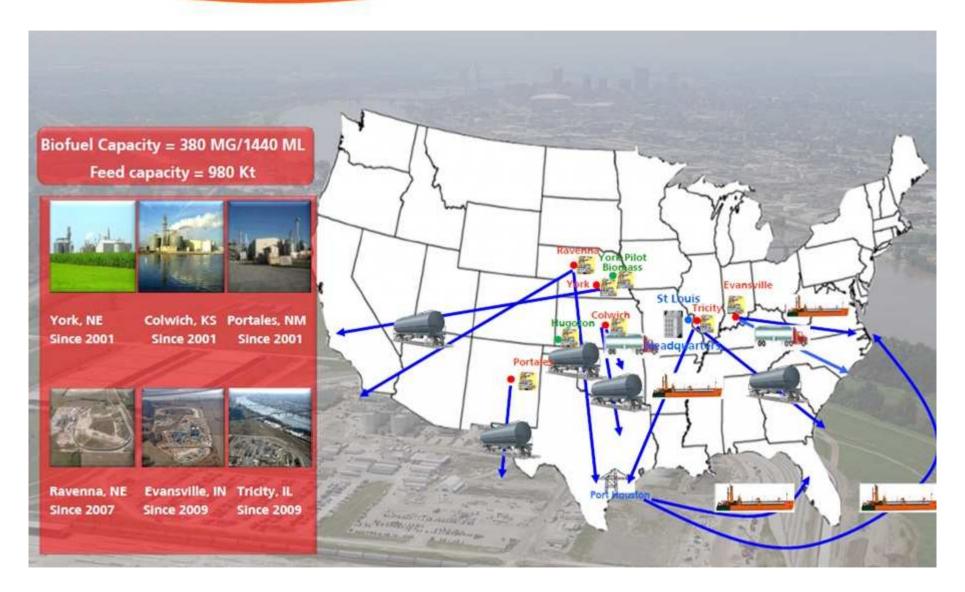


### ... becoming the only global ethanol company

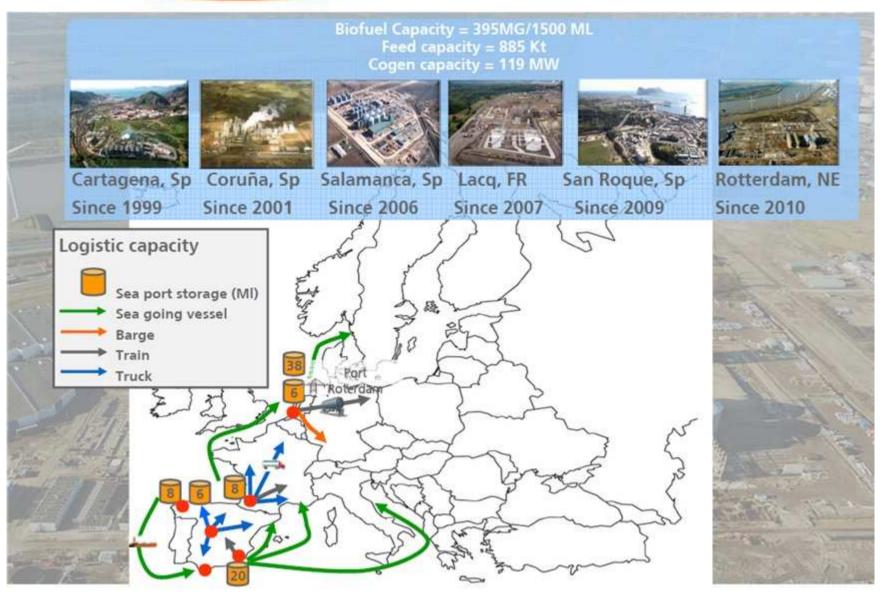


Strong position through diversification

...with excellent position in the US

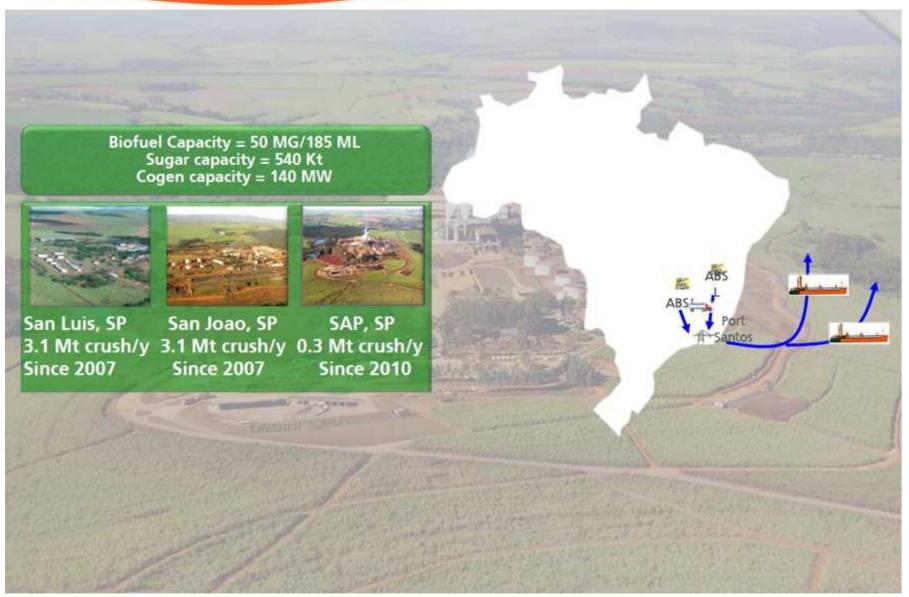


### ...leading the market in EU



The global biotech ethanol company.

### ...and being in the forefront in Brazil



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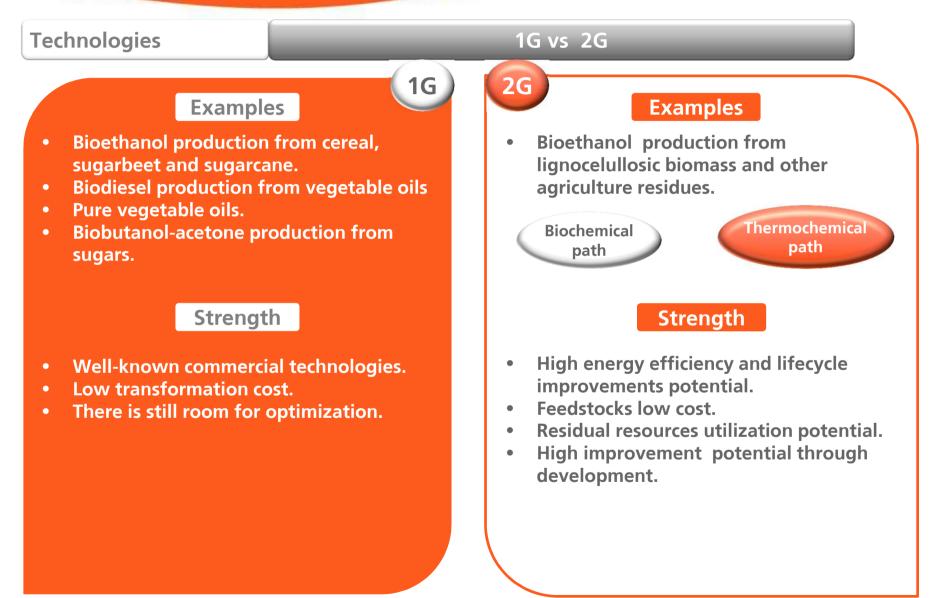
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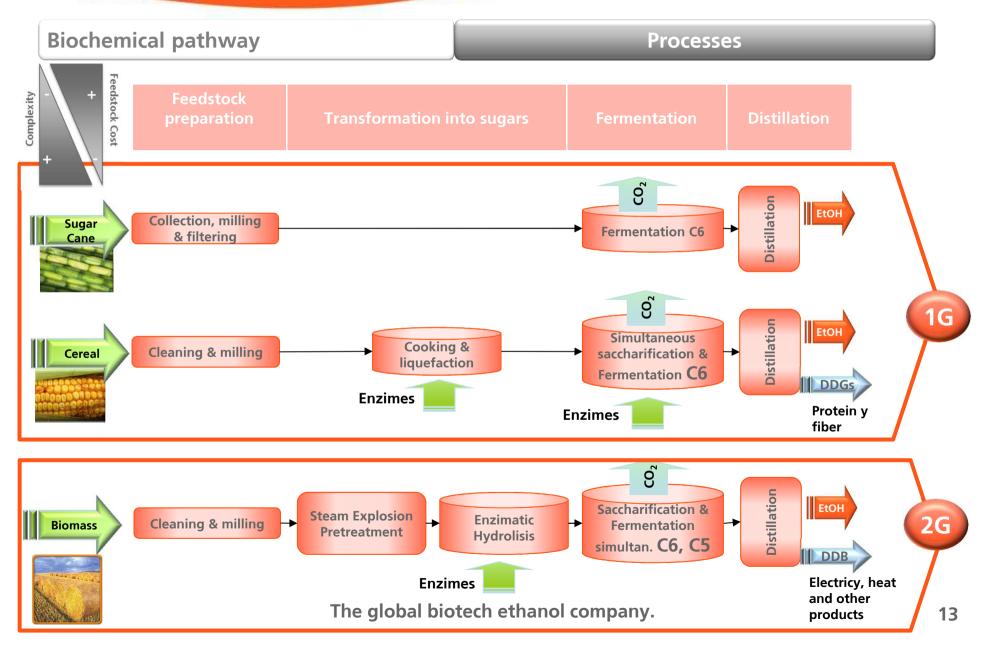
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Enzymatic hydrolysis technology

### **Biochemical pathway**

#### Definition

 The process is defined as the fractionation of the biomass into its main components (cellulose, hemicellulose and lignin) for further fermentation to ethanol of sugars.

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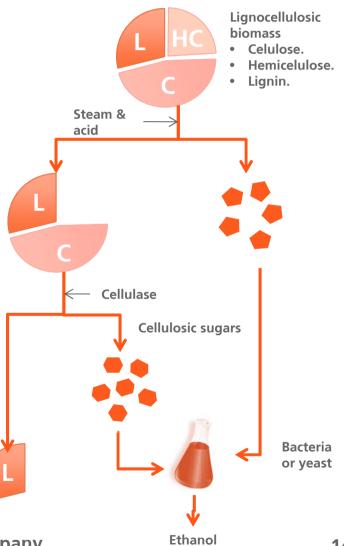
- Inexistence of commercial technologies.
- Abengoa Bioenergy is worldwide leader in technology development. Only player with precommercial facilities:
  - York Pilot Plant– 0,08 MML.
    - Operating since 2007.
  - Salamanca Demo Plant- 5MML/year.
    - Operating since 2009.
  - Hugoton Commercial Plant 100 MML/year.
    - Starting up by 2012 ending.

#### Justification:

- Alternative to the traditional production from cereals and sugar beet.
- Un-lock the potential for the biofuel production.

#### Advantages

- Possibility to use a higher raw material range of lower cost and not linked to the food market.
- Lower production costs in comparison with first generation conversion technologies.
- Higher environmental sustainability.



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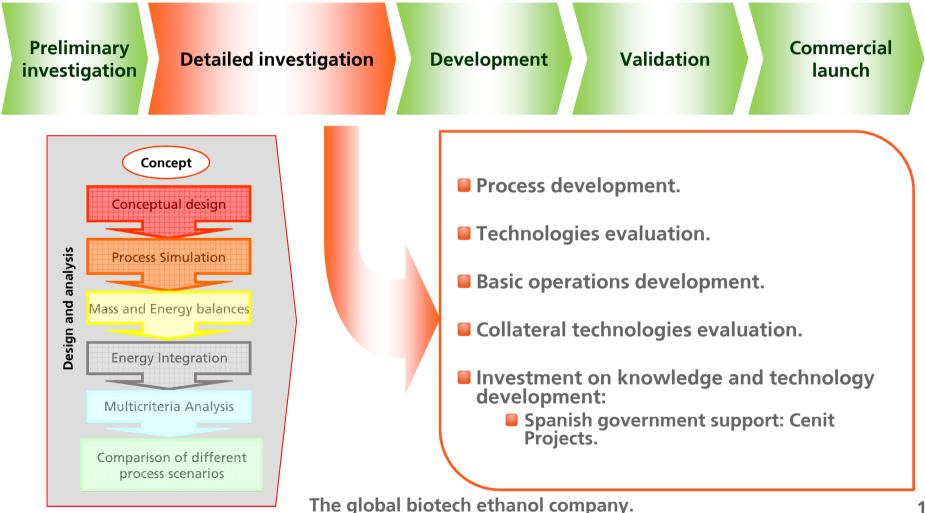
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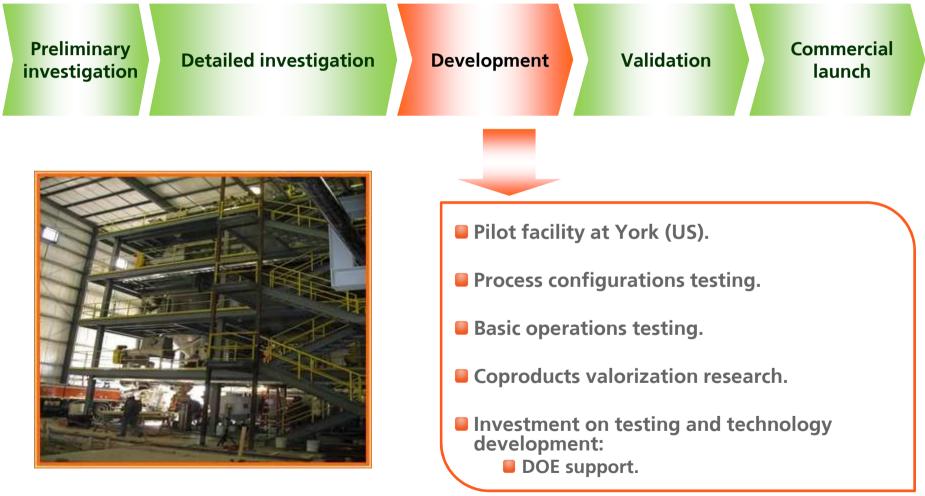
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Enzymatic hydrolysis development roadmap



- Yield optimization testing.
- Collateral technologies testing.
- Coproducts valorization research.
- Economical evaluation.
- Bottle necks identification and overlapping.
- Investment on testing and technology demonstration:
  - **EC FP5** support.
  - Spanish government support.

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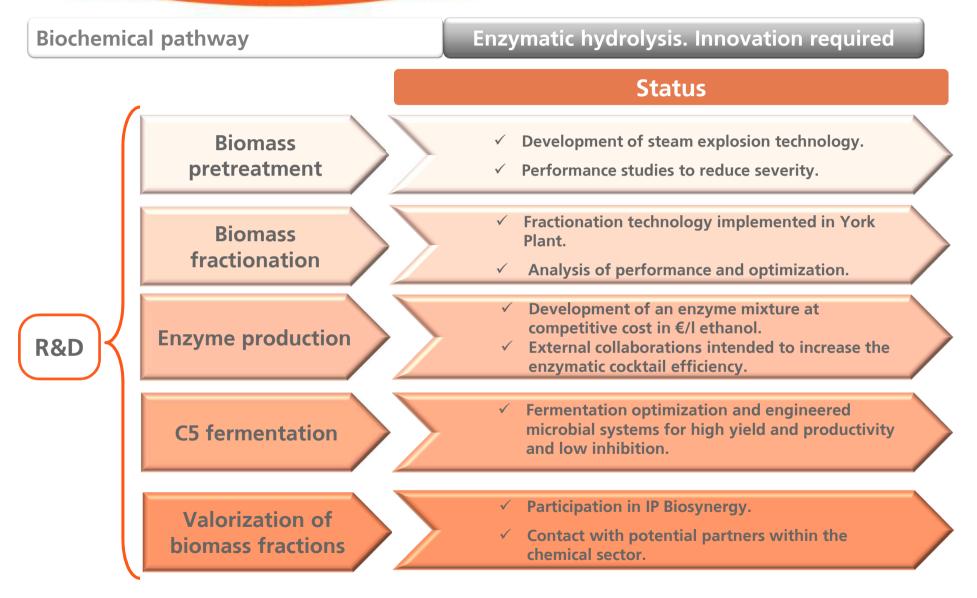
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- Economical project evaluation.
- **Financing requirements.**
- Engineering development.
- Special equipment purchasing.
- Raw material acquisition and logistic plan.
- External support required:
  - Eu VII FP support: Led project.
  - DOE Hugoton project support.

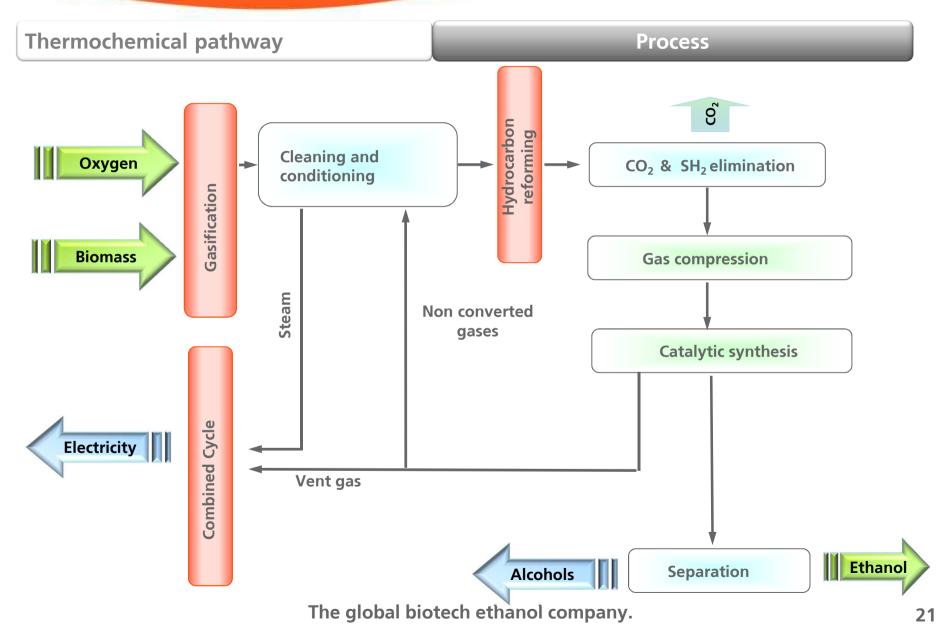
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- Capacity: 25MGal.
- Cogeneration: 20MW.
- Feedstock: Agricultural Residues.

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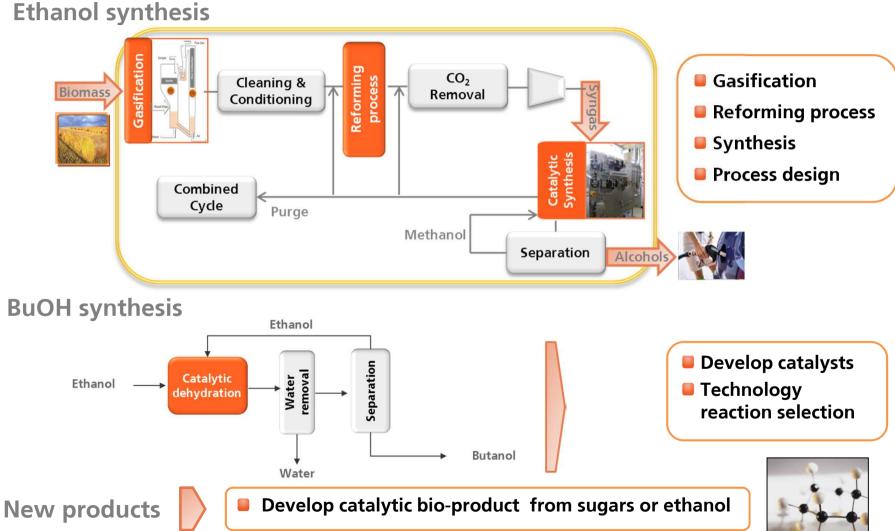
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Thermochemical pathway

Research program

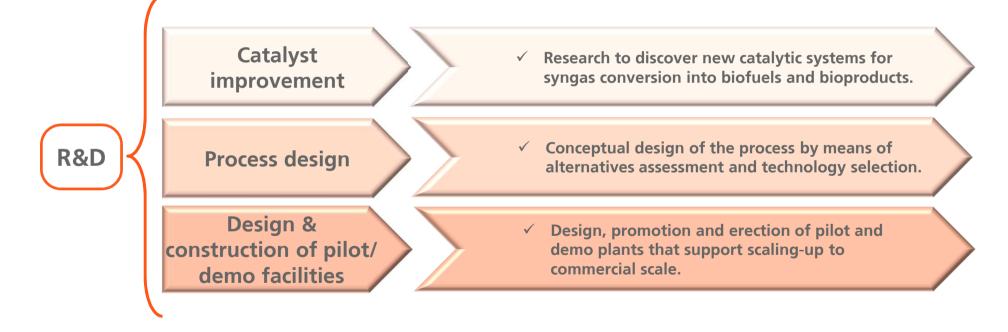


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Gasification and catalytic synthesis

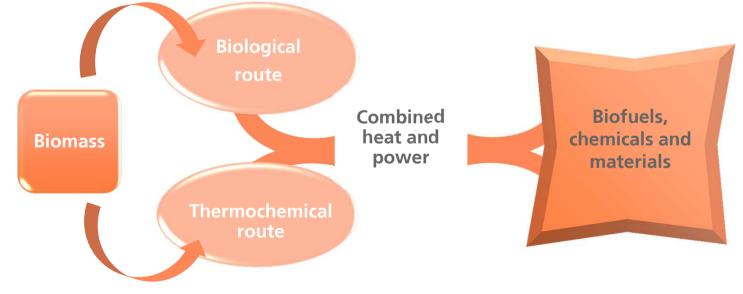
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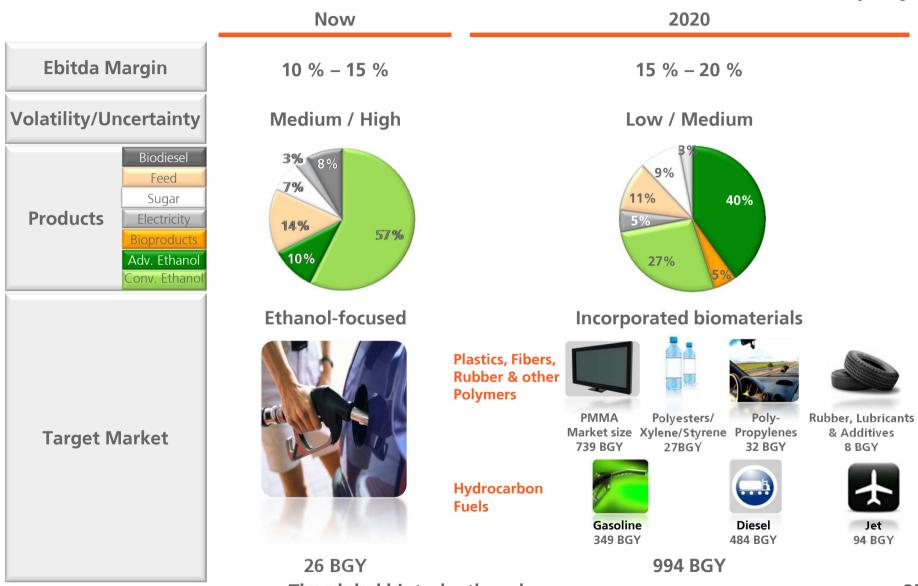
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#### **Biorefinery concept**

- Biorefinery is understood as a further stage in the development of technologies based on biomass as feedstock.
- Optimal combination of biological, thermo-chemical, and chemical processes:
  - Aimed to produce a complete range of products.
  - Using a wide range of feedstock.
  - Getting advantage of synergies between technologies.



# Resulting in a strong diversified company



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- Lignocellulosic biomass is able to improve biofuels production capacity .
- Technologies based on lignocellulosic biomass are considered as advanced processes to increase the number of products and raw materials, as well as to optimize the use of biomass.
- There are two main different technologies: biochemical (enzymatic hydrolysis) and thermochemical (catalytic synthesis).
- Abengoa Bionergy is erecting a first-of-its-kind cellulosic ethanol facility based on enzymatic hydrolysis technology.

### **Thermochemical pathway:**

- Partial demonstration status for biomass gasification.
- Critical term: ethanol synthesis, gas cleaning.
- Process integration in pilot stage and further demonstration are critical.
- Both biological and thermochemical pathways can be included into a common process (biorefineries) that allows a maximal use and optimization of biomass to produce a complete range of biofuels and bioproducts.

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### Questions



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