

NRCan Clean Growth Program – Alberta Webinar

InnoTech
Alberta
Programs/Facilities

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InnoTech Alberta

- A wholly owned subsidiary of Alberta Innovates
- Was established for the purpose of carrying out applied research activities
- Over 310 research, engineering & support staff (140 PhDs or Masters)
- \$118 million investment in innovation infrastructure including:
 - Over one million sq. ft. of research and lab space
 - Over 600 acres of farmland for research and testing
- 550 clients in 2016-17 including 200 new clients
- 286 active technologies including 133 patents



Primary Locations



InnoTech Programs/Facilities

- Experience in operating multi-stakeholder, multi-delivery agency programs, e.g: Carbonate Research Program, Aboriginal Environmental Services Network (AESN), Alberta Manufacturing & Fabrication Innovation (AMFI)
- Experience in operating pilot scale facilities, e.g.: Terrestrial Mesocosms, Water Treatment Systems (evaporator, flash cooling, membrane)
- Facilities suitable for controlled release testing (Vegreville)
- Support services for program execution, e.g.: analytical, machine shop, contract administration

Anaerobic Digestion-Composting Process for Smaller Municipalities

Program

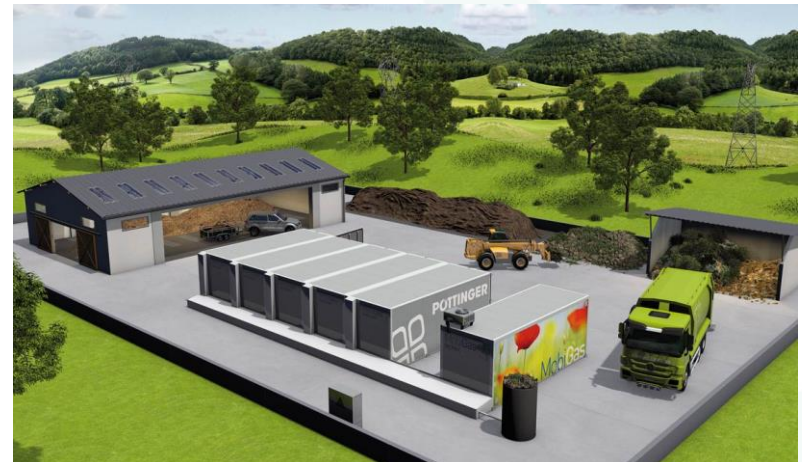
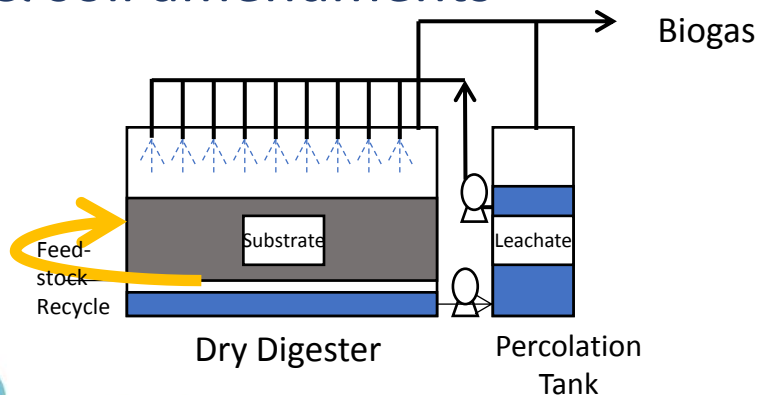
- Conversion of waste to value-added products
- Increase value of low value or waste biomass materials for waste-to-energy & soil amendments

Facilities

- Dry anaerobic digestion
- Pilot scale processing

Connection to Clean Growth

- Improved waste management
- Improving efficient energy use and productivity



Fermentation Facility

Program

- Fermentation processes need to be optimized and scaled for the products to be commercialized
- Working on potential partnership with NRC and SRC to provide stage-gated testing capabilities at appropriate scale

Facilities

- Investment of greater than \$18m
- Largest reactor is 10,000L
 - NRC: 1500L
 - SRC: 300L

Connection to Clean Growth

- Supporting production and use of bio-products



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Materials and Reliability in Oil Sands



Program

- Consortium managed by InnoTech bringing suppliers and end users together
- Collaboration to tackle issues in oil sands industry
- Directed by oil sands sector

Facilities

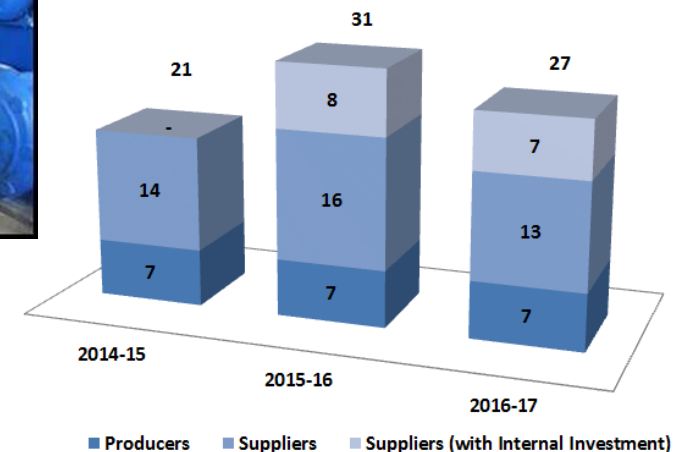
- Slurry flow loop
- Materials lab
- Pipeline pig testing



Connection to Clean Growth

- Increased reliability will result in reduced environmental impacts

Client Membership in MARIOS



Aquatic Mesocosms

Program

- A 5-year research agreement with COSIA
- Provides capability to examine the design and performance of end pit lakes tailings remediation strategies

Facilities

- InnoTech invested \$1.3M in capital (30 mesocosms and supporting infrastructure)

Connection to Clean Growth

- Potential to minimize landscape disturbance
- Improved waste management
- Potential to carry out emission monitoring and development of monitoring technologies



Alberta Carbon Conversion Technology Centre (ACCTC)

- Program

- The goal is to accelerate GHG emission reductions within the Oil and Gas, and other industries, and to develop products by using CO₂ waste.
- Test and advance CO₂ capture and conversion technologies ***in real-life conditions and within a commercial scale environment.***
- Collaboration with multiple stakeholders to move technologies along development path: COSIA, NRCan, Economic Development & Trade, Emissions Reduction Alberta, Carbon Management Canada



Alberta Carbon Conversion Technology Centre (ACCTC) (continued)

- Facilities

- 10-year time frame with first 2 years dedicated to the COSIA NRG Carbon XPRIZE competition
- Funding from NRCan and GoA to develop the facility adjacent to the Shepard Energy Centre in Calgary
- InnoTech Alberta will be the owner/operator

- Connection to Clean Growth

- Advancement of GHG emission reduction technologies
- Improving waste management
- Potentially supporting production of novel advanced materials



ACCTC

Summary – Programs/Facilities

Programs

- Internationally recognized scientific capacity
- Issues-focused applied research experience
- Flexibility in working with multiple stakeholders
- Flexibility in program delivery

Facilities

- Scale and types of facilities: Cellulose Nanocrystal (CNC) Pilot Plant, Decortication Pilot Plant, Fibre Panel Test Facility

Connection to Clean Growth

- Established capacity for existing or new initiatives

