

INTERNATIONAL

BIOMASS

CONFERENCE & EXPO

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Minneapolis Convention Center

Minneapolis, MN

Jack Oswald

CEO

SynGest Inc.



20 Questions

“What’s a guy from San Francisco doing out here?”

Visit

Meeting
(In-person preferred)

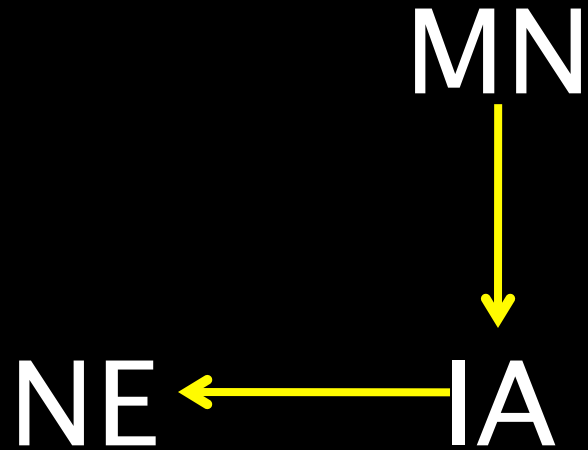
Phone call

Anhydrous

Anhydrous Ammonia

Vegetable

“Vegetables, it’s what food
eats...”



Example of the Coriolis Effect

Cornucopia BioRefinery™

**The Three F's:
Food, Fertilizer and Fuel™**



Cornucopia Model - Credits

Jim Eiler, Eiler Capital Advisors

Dave Coppess and team, Heartland Coop

Doug Holliday, IA Corn Growers Assoc.

**Pete Moss and team, Frazier Barnes and
Assoc.**

Dr. Robert Brown, Iowa State U.

Dr. Ravi Randhava, CTO, SynGest Inc.



The Intersection
of **Energy of Nature**
and **Agriculture**



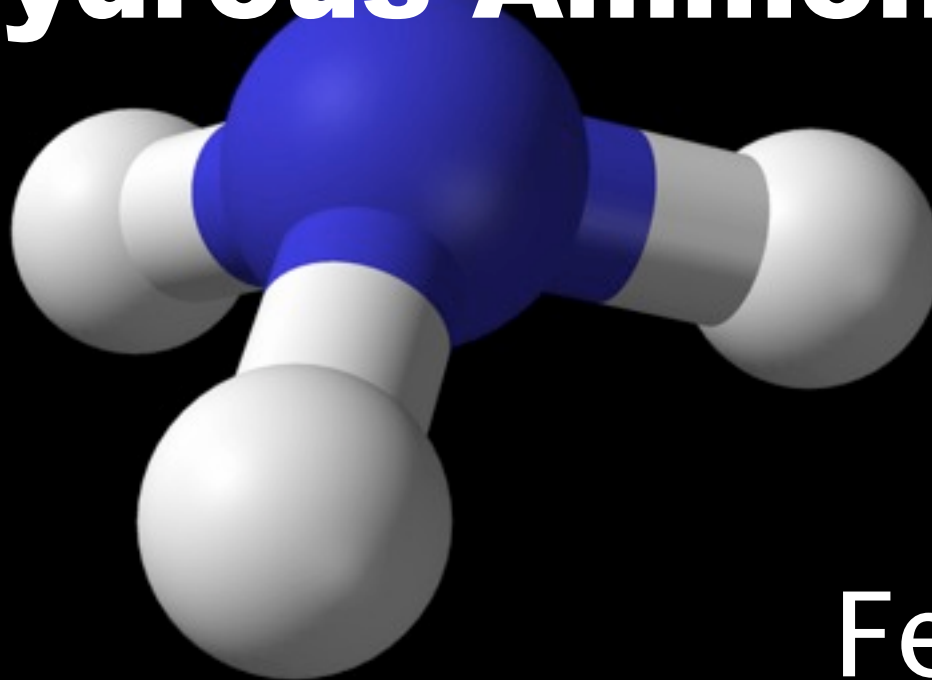
BioAmmonia™ from Biomass
America's Strategic Fuel and Fertilizer



Commercialization
of a **Private**
R&D Lab



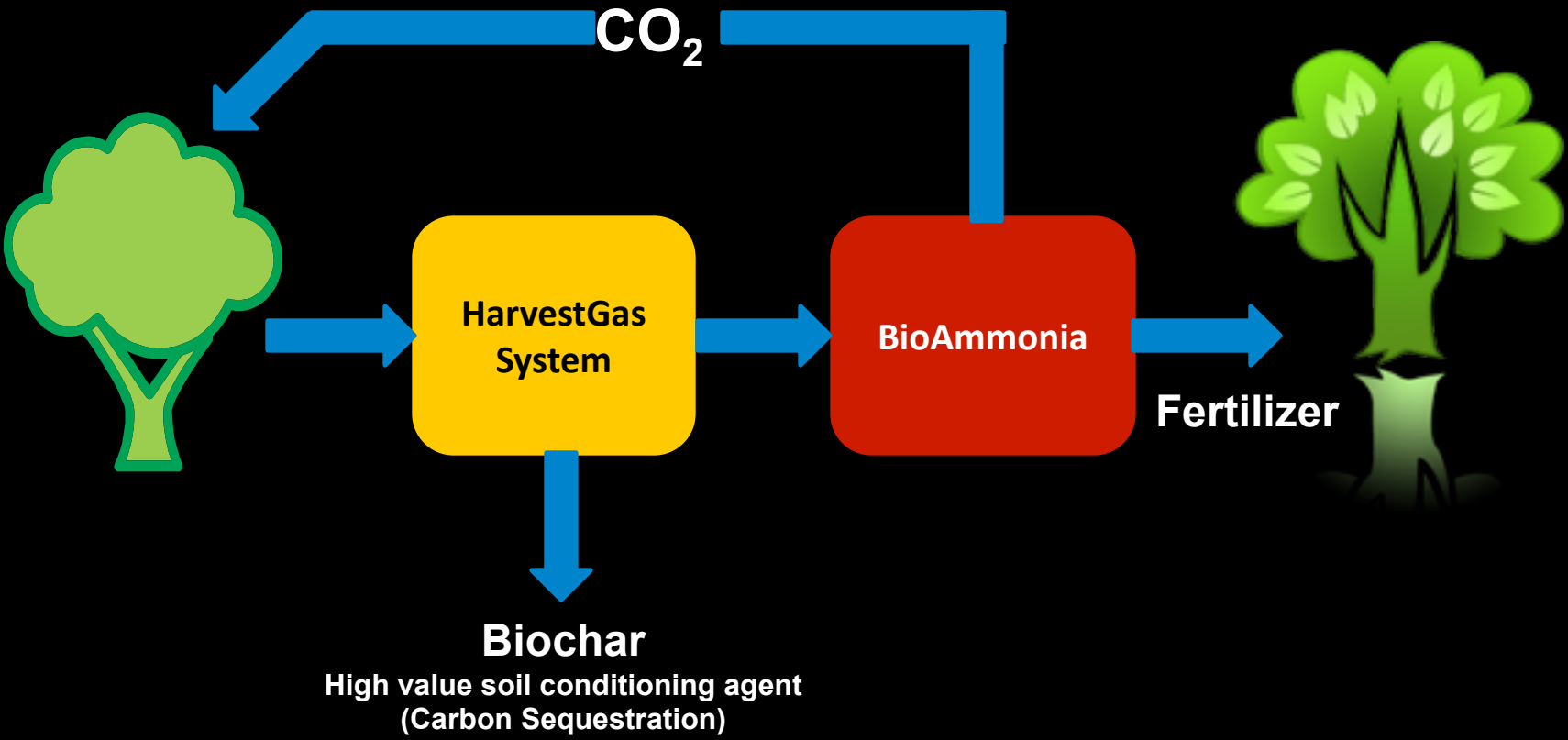
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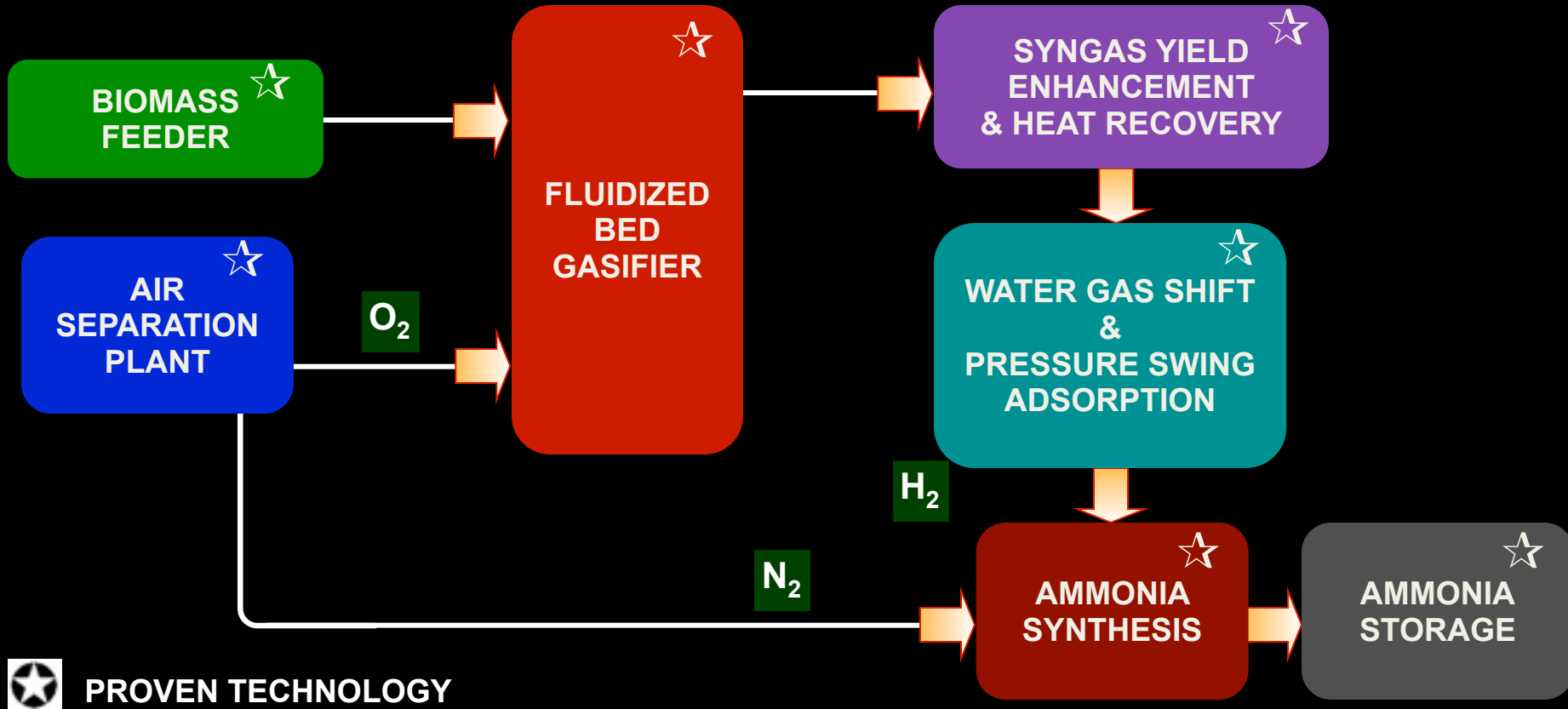
Fuel

Fertilizer

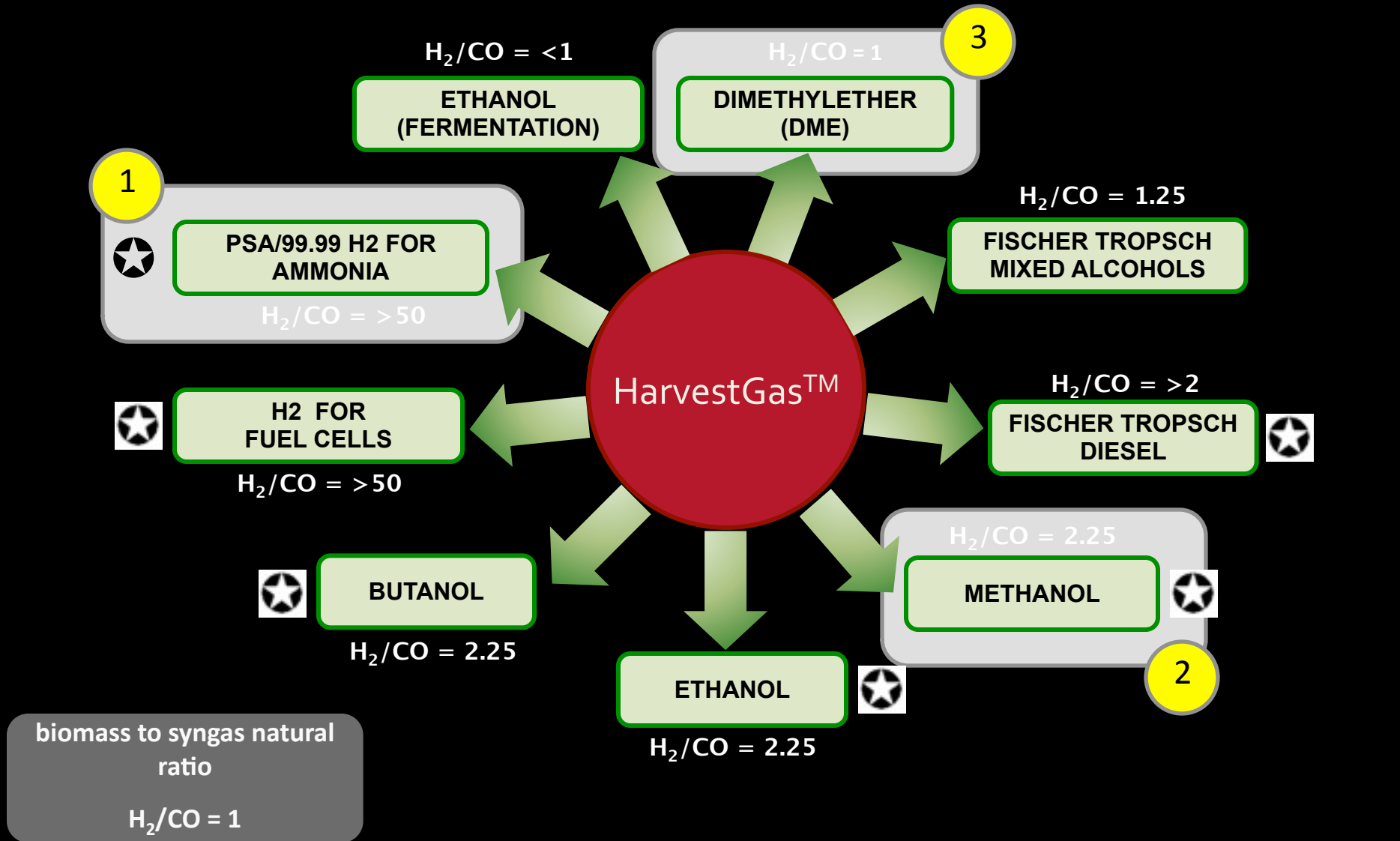
Biochar makes SynGest Carbon Negative



SynGest BioAmmonia™ Process



Syngas/BioSyngas Applications



 with water gas shift

SvnGest Menlo LLC/ Proposed First Site

3550 Talon Avenue, Menlo, IA
50164

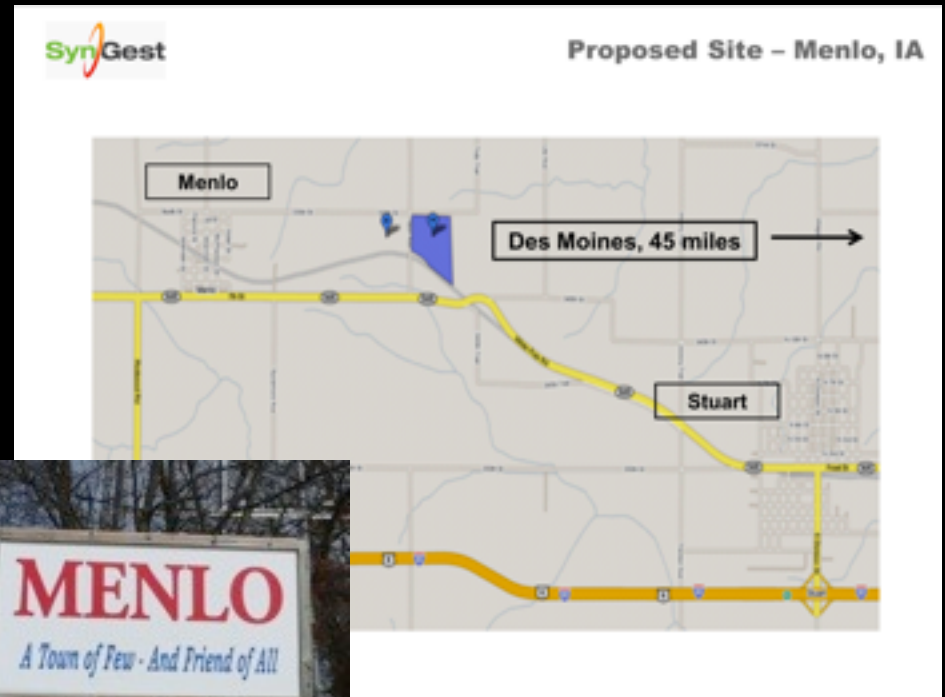
Option on 75 acres

Adjacent to operating ethanol
plant

Near Interstate 80 (7 miles)

Rail access to the site

45 miles from Des Moines



**Biomass requirements: 130,000
TPY**



Biomass Drove the Design

Low cost

Availability

Re-modeling:

Started with a paint job

Ended re-building the whole house



Biomass Considerations

Maximum sustainably harvested crop residue

Cheap

Stover: ?

Corn cobs: 100% harvestable annually

Corn Cobs

“How are you going to collect all those cobs?”





Corn Cob Harvest Research

Focus groups

Equipment manufacturers

Academic researchers

Logistics

Interested businesses

Biomass Conference: IA State BECON
Center



Key Criteria

Farmers

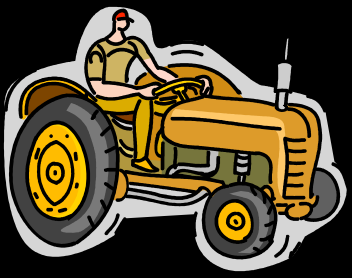
**Inexpensive
Slipstream**



Bankers

**100% annually reliable
Credit worthy supplier**



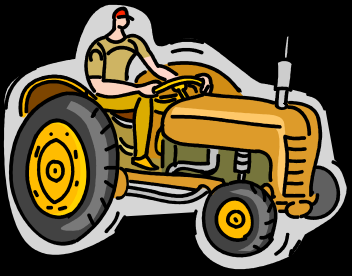


Farmer Concerns

“If it slows me down I am not interested”

“During a challenging harvest, I’ll unhook it, or turn it off, and you won’t get your cobs”

Rational Response: Must protect core business



Conclusion 1: Farmer Driven

**Must slipstream with existing
harvest approach**

Must protect the core business



Finance Concerns

Biomass supply chain must be 100% reliable

Requires “credit worthy” harvesting and supplier(s)

Supply contract terms match the term of the loan



Conclusion 2: Finance Driven

Includes Conclusion 1: Farmer Driven

Supplier must have a track record

Supplier must provide a guarantee of delivery



Conclusion 3

Limited Options

Cornucopia BioRefinery™

**Not your typical
“breakthrough”**

Cornucopia Technology

Slipstream biomass harvesting

Dry milling – a.k.a. Fractionation

Fermentation

Gasification

Food-grade oil extraction



Slipstream Harvesting

Corn / Corn cob mix

Reliable

Addresses Farmer and Finance Concern

Leverages existing coop infrastructure

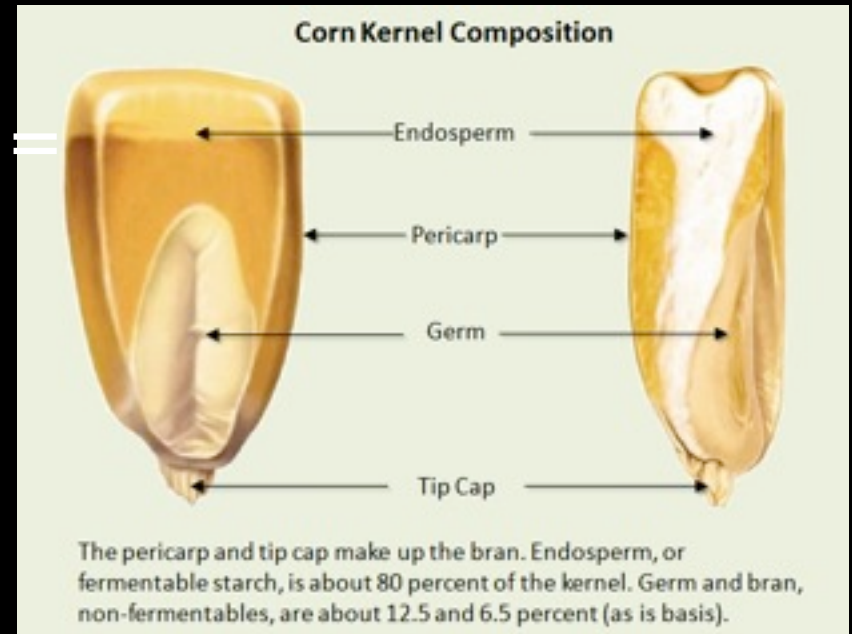
Inexpensive: \$15/T JIT delivered cost

Fractionation

Endosperm (starch) =
fermentation

Germ = **food-grade vegetable oil /
protein**

Bran and cobs (cellulose) =
gasification



Fermentation

Endosperm (starch) fermented into fuels

Today = Ethanol

Soon = BioButanol, Diesel, etc. a.k.a.
“Drop-in”

20% increase in production for existing
plants

Lower cost per gallon

Higher net energy

Lower carbon content





SynGest Gasification

Bran / cobs

Carbon-negative NH_3

Methanol, DME

**> 50% less fossil energy/
carbon**



Food-Grade Oil / Protein

Low cost GRAS solvents

Food-grade vegetable oil

Food-grade protein (dry /
de-oiled)

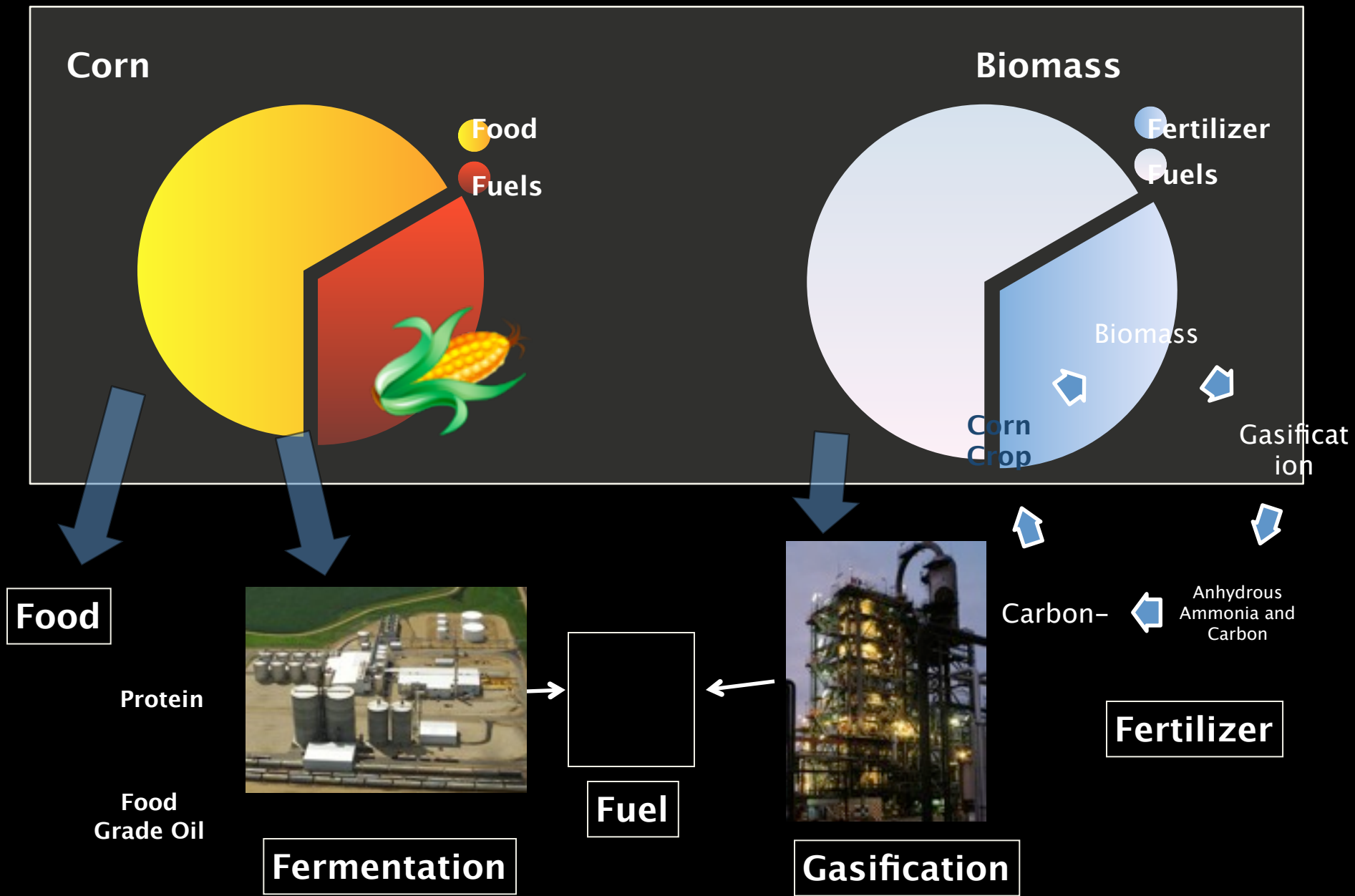
Combined value greater than
DDGS

Maximum food value



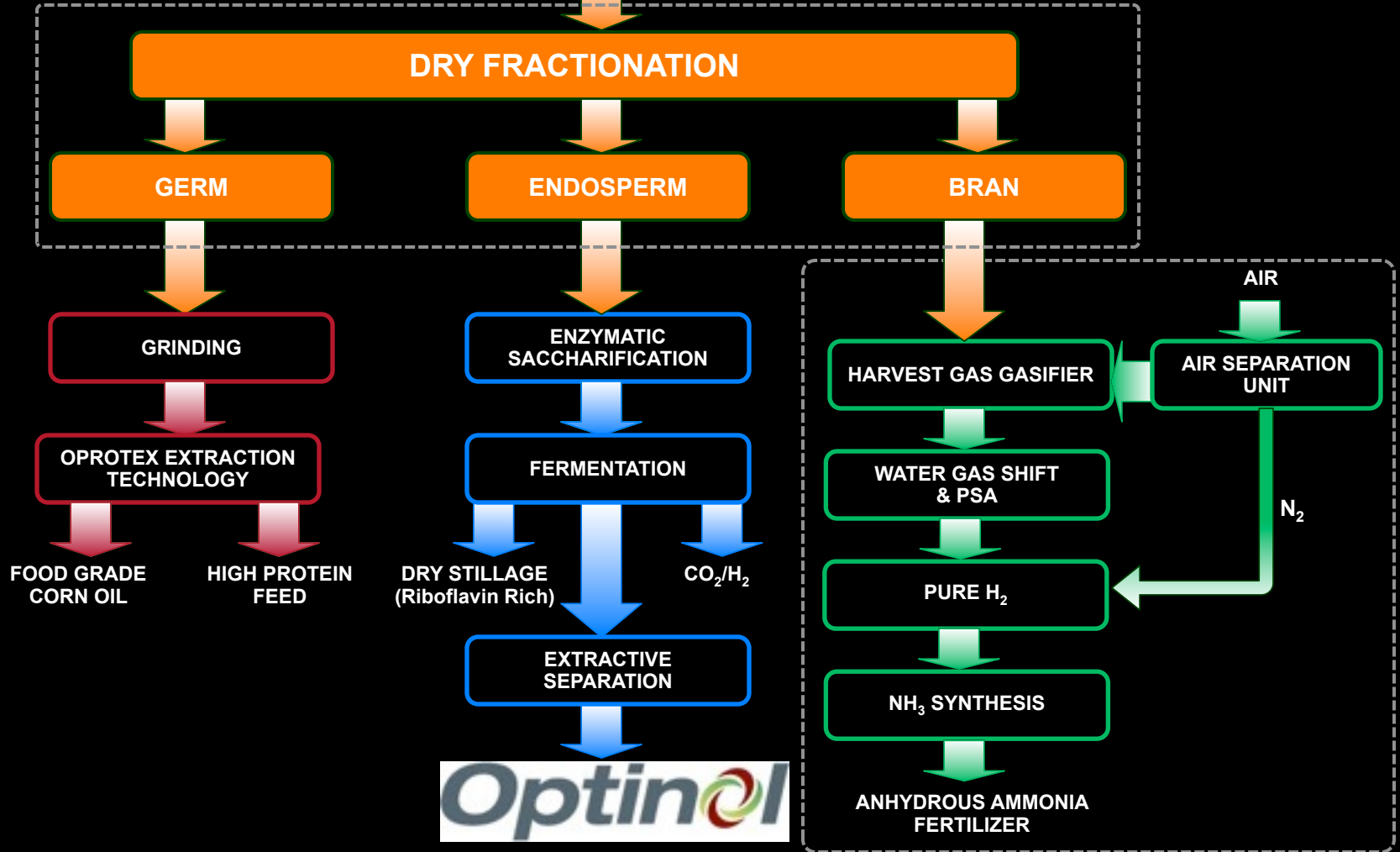
Cornucopia BioRefinery Complex

Maximizing Food , Fertilizer and Fuel Production from Every Ear of Corn



SynGest "Project Cornucopia"

Where Energy and Agriculture Meet
The Three F's: Food, Fertilizer and Fuel





RFS2 Compatibility

Mandate: fuels from non-food biomass

Assumes food v.s. fuel conundrum

A Different Approach

Maximizes benefits of cellulose

Simultaneously produce The Three F's:

Food, Fertilizer and Fuel

**Indirect way of achieving >50%
reduction in GHG**

Carbon-negative nitrogen fertilizer

Cornucopia BioRefinery exceeds goals of

RFS2



Industry Opportunity

Increase existing 12B GPY to 14.4B GPY

Drop-in fuels opens doubling of capacity

BioButanol blends with gasoline and diesel

Compatible with existing pipes, tanks, cars/trucks

12 new Cornucopia BioRefineries annually

Retrofit existing plants



Big Finale

Advanced Biofuels Industry Chant



Till,
Baby,
Till.™

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Coming soon to America

