

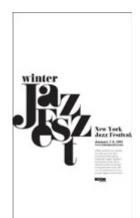
A Carbon Negative Replacement for Carbon Black





















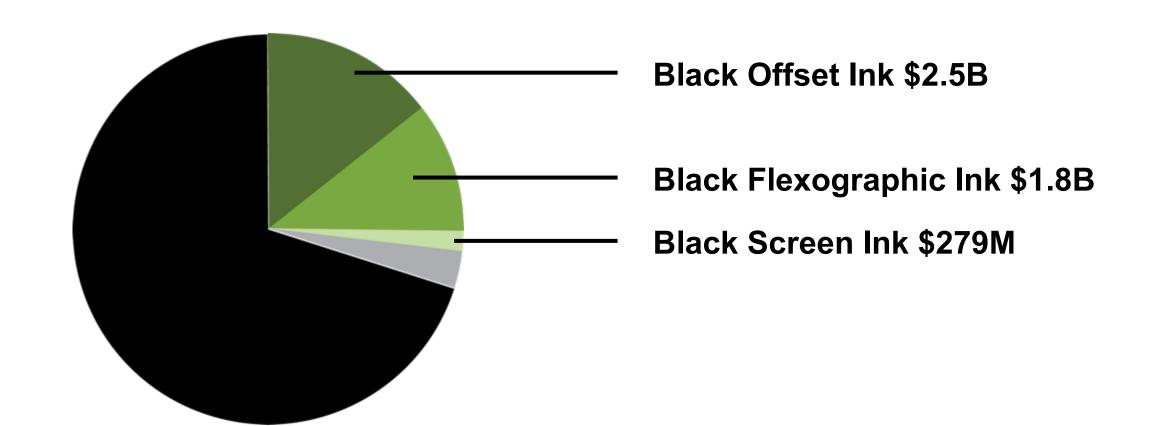




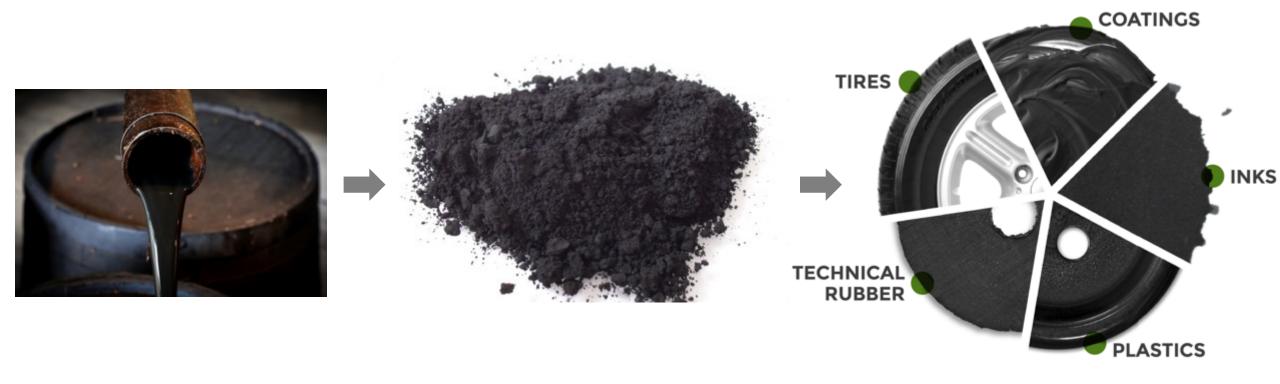


Total Carbon Black Market- \$17 Billion

Addressable Carbon Black Ink Market- \$5.1 Billion



### **Traditional Carbon Black**



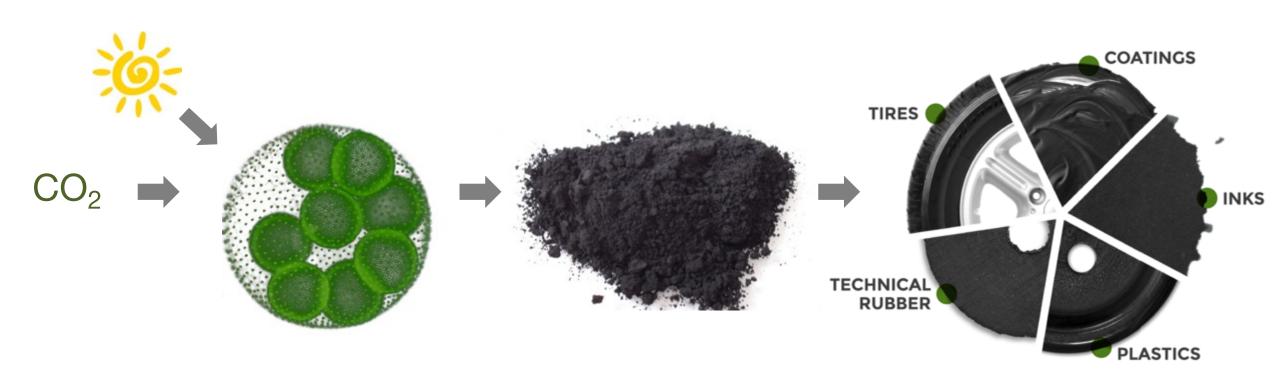
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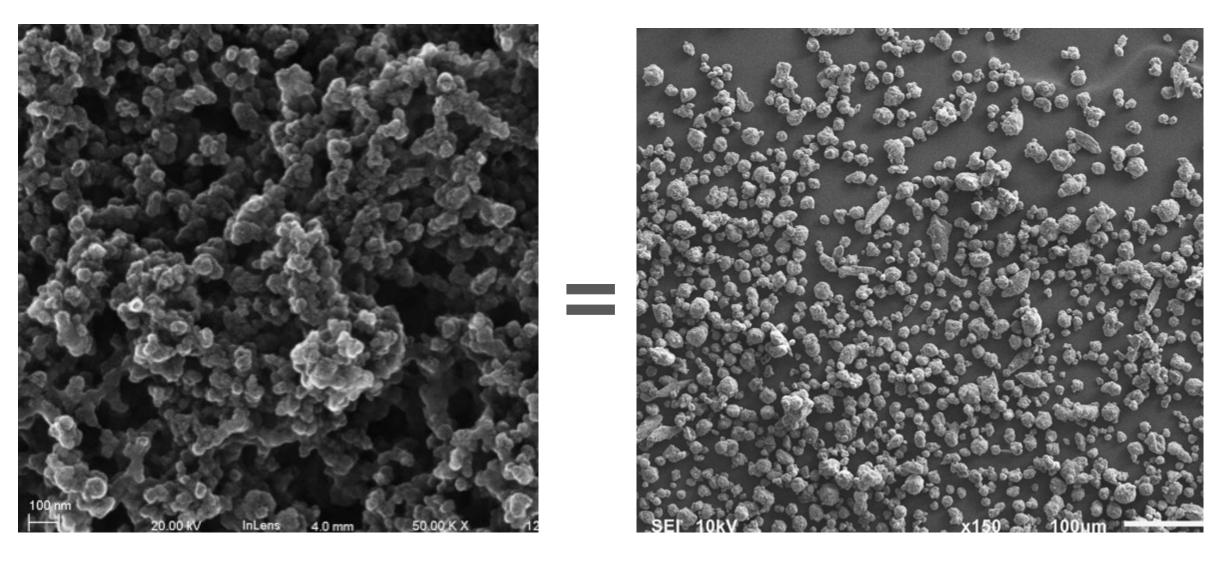


# The Problem with Carbon Black

Made from Petroleum
Carcinogen
Government Regulations
Large Carbon Footprint
Hasn't changed in 100+ years

# Algae Black™ Solution





**Petroleum-based Pigments** 

**Algae Cells** 

#### **Our Solution**



100% Renewable Feedstock from Waste Material



100% Safe Materials



Meets Industry Specifications



Innovative Marketing Opportunity



Drop in Replacement



Negative Carbon Footprint

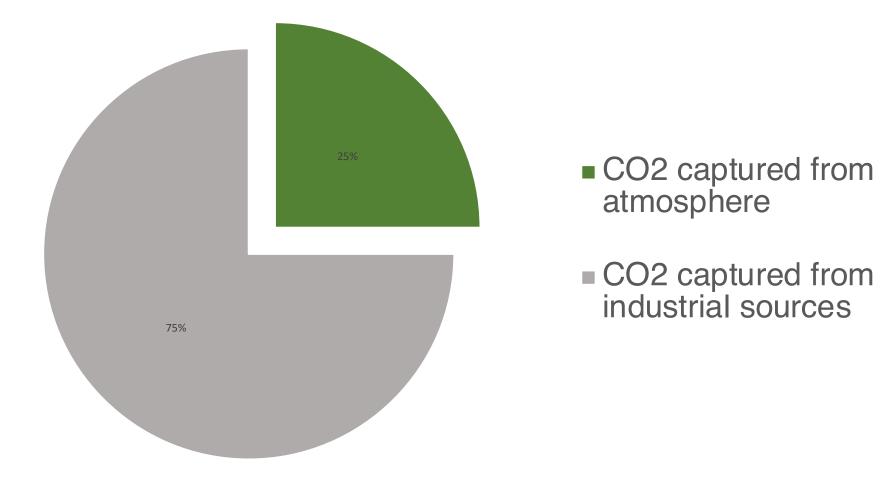
## Introduction to Algae



A 100-acre algae farm located in Southern, California. The farm is owned and operated by Earthrise Nutritionals, a subsidiary of DIC Corp. They produce whole cell spirulina powder and a blue colorant called phycocyanin for the natural foods market.

- Grown by companies around the world for nutraceuticals such as astaxanthin and omega-3 oils
- Particle size, ash content, chemical composition, silica, processing steps, shape
- Algae cells exponentially grow using sunlight, water and CO<sub>2</sub> from industrial sources
- Waste-algae material is generated after product of interest is extracted from biomass
- Grown by companies treating waste-water

# Algae Black Pigment Sequesters CO<sub>2</sub>



As algal cells grow, they use carbon molecules derived from carbon dioxide as their building blocks. Algae farms bubble carbon dioxide from industrial sources so the algae can efficiently sequester carbon dioxide from these sources before entering the atmosphere.

# Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons

Client: Living Ink
Contact: Scott Fulbright

**Project:** PAHs in Black Ink Powder **Analytes:** Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons

Method: GC-MS

Date Analysis Performed: 11/21/18

Analysis performed by: Brian Cranmer

Approved by: Greg Dooley

Analytes	Black Ink Sample	Limit of Detection	Analytes	Black Ink Sample	Limit of Detection
Acenaphthene	Negative	> 10 ppb	3-Methylcholanthrene	Negative	> 10 ppb
Acenaphthylene	Negative	> 10 ppb	Naphthalene	Negative	> 10 ppb
Anthracene	Negative	> 10 ppb	Phenanthrene	Negative	> 10 ppb
Benz(a)anthracene	Negative	> 10 ppb	Pyrene	Negative	> 10 ppb
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Benzo(j)fluoranthene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Benzo(g,h,i)perylene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Benzo(c)phenanthrene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Benz[a]pyrene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Benz[e]pyrene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Chrysene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Dibenz[a,h]pyrene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Dibenz[a,i]pyrene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Dibenz[a,l]pyrene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
7,12-Dimethylbenz(a)anthracene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Fluoranthene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Fluorene	Negative	> 10 ppb			
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	Negative	> 10 ppb			



## **Living Ink Process**



Living Ink collaborates with brands to tell eco-innovation stories for marketing and sustainability purposes, thus allowing Algae Ink to be pulled through the brand's supply chain. Living Ink manufactures the black pigment and finished ink products, which are **sold direct to printers**.

## Algae Ink<sup>TM</sup> Products in the Market



Flexographic Ink (cartons)



Flexo Ink (poly materials)



Offset Ink (paper)



Screen Print Ink (garments)

Living Ink integrates sustainable Algae Black™ pigments into a variety of ink formulations that can print on different substrates for a diverse number of applications.

# Algae Ink<sup>TM</sup> Products in the Market



- Passed RSL tests of several brands
- Passed print/color trials of brands / vendors
- Passed severe wash test trials
- Easy for printers to use- no difference in shelf-life
   Soft-base and high solids base
- Ink has high UV lightfastness

# Algae Ink<sup>TM</sup> Products in the Market



Flexographic Ink (Hang-tags)

# Algae Black<sup>TM</sup> Plastic Products



**Masterbatch** (rPET, PP, PLA)



Plastic Packaging (Rigid)



Composites (Bioresins)

# Algae Black<sup>TM</sup> Products in Development



Cosmetics Formulation (beauty products)



Foam Formulation (footwears products)



Textiles Dyeing (garments)



#### **Current Commercial Trials**

#### **Pre-Commercial Trials**













































Our customers and partners are innovative retail and material brands committed to achieving sustainability focused marketing and technical goals

## **Global Interest from Chemical Companies**

#### **Specialty Chemicals**









#### **Ink Manufacturers**









Many of the largest chemical and ink companies in the world have demonstrated significant interest in working with Living Ink. The company is exploring potential partnerships with strategic groups.

#### **Global Interest**



These 10 online exclusives drew the highest readership totals during 2019:

- 1. Living Ink is Successfully Commercializing Its Algae-Based Ink
- 2. Ink Industry Leaders Offer Their Thoughts on Upcoming Year
- 3. HP's Award-Winning True Water-Based Inks Created With Corrugated, Display Markets In Mind
- 4. Proposition 65 and the Ink Industry

Ink World Magazine's #1 read article was about Algae Ink. This demonstrates the interest in innovative and eco-friendly ink products

#### **IP Position**

#### **Patent Applications**

- Non-Provisional Application Compositions, Systems, Methods and Devices for Utilizing Microorganisms in Print (Filed 2015; US application)
- Non-Provisional Application Biological inks and coatings (Filed November 2019; PCT application)

#### **Trademarks**



- Registered- Living Ink®
- Used in commerce- Algae Ink<sup>™</sup>;
   Algae Black<sup>™</sup>



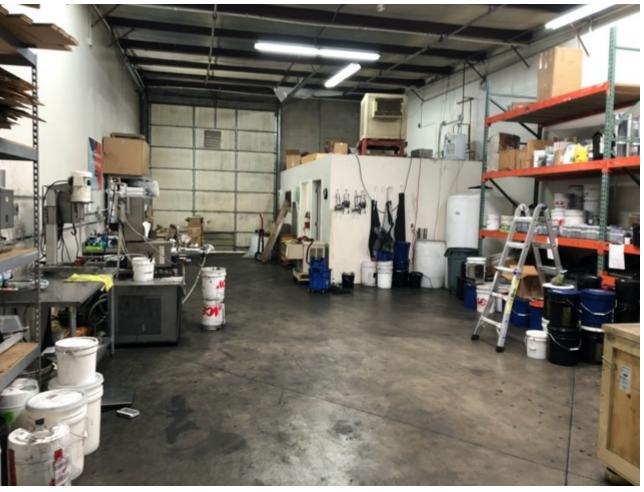
#### **Trade Secret**

Process formulations; Process steps;
 Optimal material types

Initial non-provisional patents are pending with further filings expected to grow the patent family; trademarks have been filed.

# **Company Today**





# Living Ink Roadmap

#### **Technical Validation**



- Patents filed
- Process defined
- Sales / samples to partner
- Successful pilot trials
- Validate market need
- Pilot plant construction

WE ARE HERE Scale Up



- Commercial production
- Continue R&D
- Validate business model
- Build out pigment production

Seed - \$1.5M - 2020

#### Commercialization



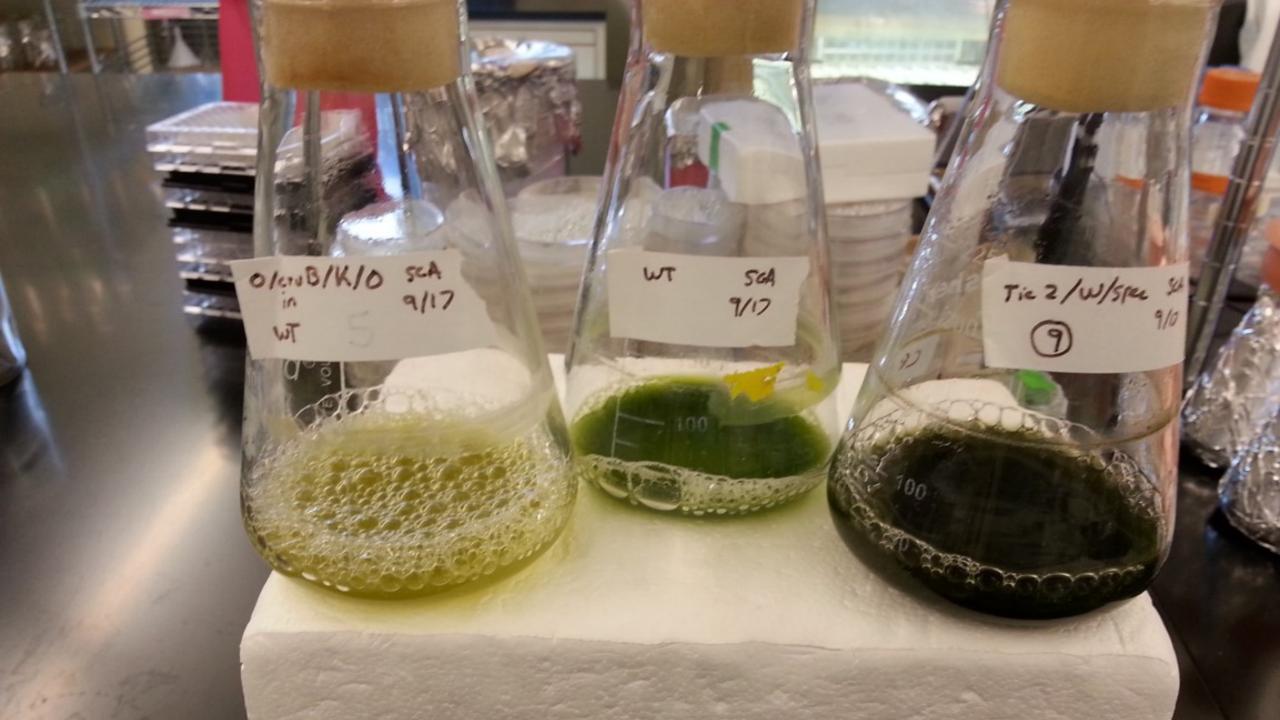
- Series A
- Long-term supply contracts
- Partner contracts
- Focus on pigment production

Grant-\$1.6M - 2017-20

Series A - \$5M - 2022



hours of operation at www.spruce.me



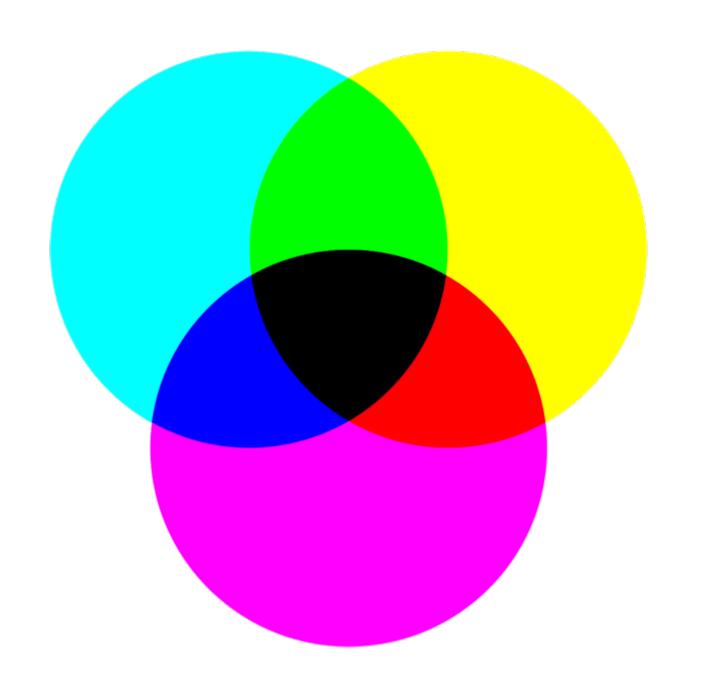












Algae UK /

# Sustainable inks – a broad brush approach to screen for vibrant algal pigments

Principle investigator: Matthew Davey Scottish Association for Marine Science



#### **Team**



Scott Fulbright CEO



Steve Albers CTO



Fiona Davies
Scientist



Aparna Nagarajan Scientist



Kangmin Kim Coatings Chemist



Vicky Putsche Scale-up Engineer



Ben Walker
Over 30 years business
planning and
operations experience
with Hewlett Packard.



Kyle Wente
Owner and President
of Ecoenclose, an
environmentally
packaging Company



**Advisors** 

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Chairman of 2 companies,
1 PE-owned and the
other NASDAQ listed.



Brian Zimbelman
Investment Principal and
Crawley Ventures, a Denver
based VC firm



**Terry Clayton**Dr. Clayton is a Director at EFI.

Solid technical team that laid the foundation for developing and validating technology. The team will need to strengthen business development expertise.



#### **Call to Action:**

- Printers in the UK
- Algae Suppliers

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# **Product Development**

Product	Technical Validation	Market Validation	Market Size
Black Offset Ink			\$2.5B
Black Flexographic Ink			\$1.8B
Black Screen Ink			\$279M
Black Masterbatch Plastic			\$X.XB
Black Plastic Composites			\$X.XB
Cosmetics Formulation			\$X.XB
Textile Dyeing			\$X.XB
Foam Formulation			\$X.XB
Ink Colors			
Product			

