# Net-Zero 1 Deep-Dive

Sustainable and Scalable



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#### What is SAF?

Why SAF? Gevo's competitive position Additional opportunities in bio-chemicals



# **SAF: Sustainable Aviation Fuel**

- **Drop-in** to existing engines and infrastructure
  - Same molecules as petroleum-based jet fuel
- Low-carbon inputs and production process

What is SAF?

Our molecules come from CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere and wind power



#### **Our SAF Has Been Used Globally**



Map denotes Gevo supplied ATJ SAF from our demonstration facilities.



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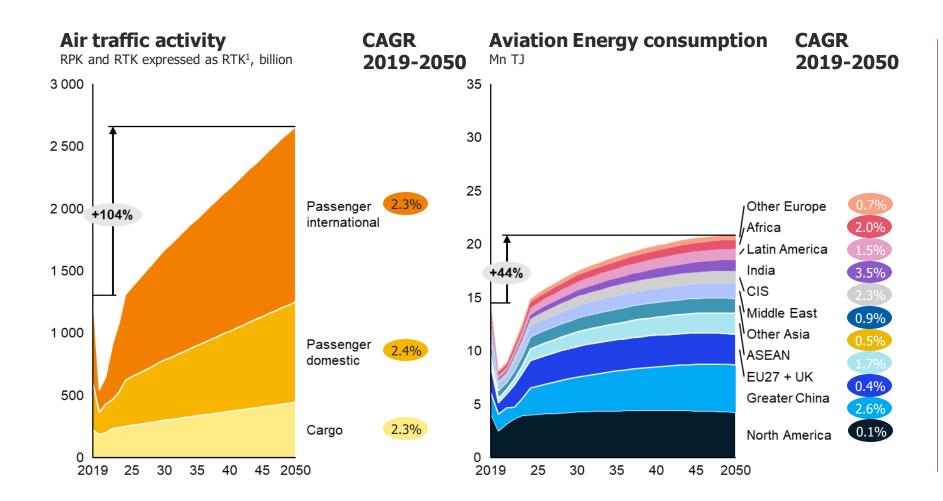
## Why SAF?

**2** SAF is currently the <u>only</u> scalable aviation industry solution for carbon abatement

**B** Enormous, growing demand for SAF







Air traffic activity expected to double by 2050

Emissions will increase if left unabated

Efficiency improvements in aircraft and ground operations will offset less than half of growth emissions

1. Assuming 125kg per passenger (incl. passenger weight, luggage and chair)

Source: Global Consulting Firm, Global Consulting Firm's 2023 Outlook.



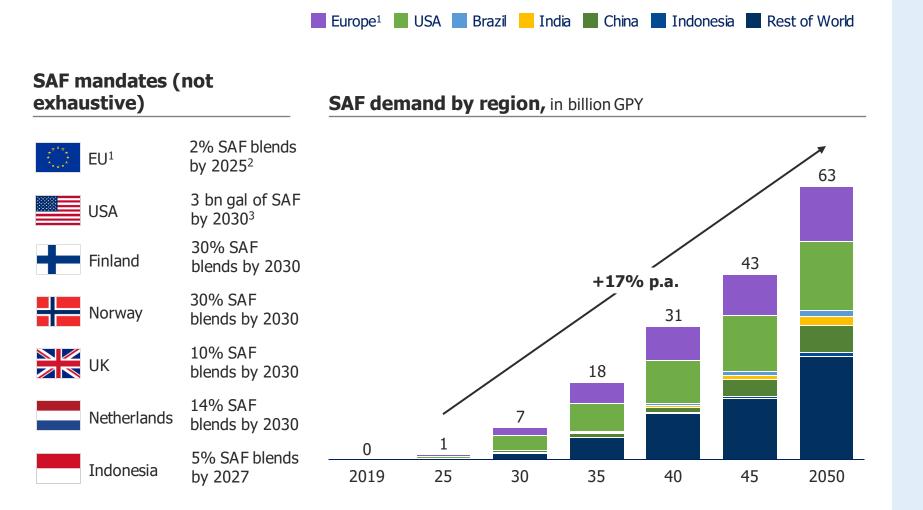
10-15%

Share of total fuel consumption < 0.1% 0.1-2% 2-5% 5-10%

#### SAF is Currently the <u>Only</u> Scalable Aviation Industry Solution

- SAF is currently the **only** scalable option for carbon abatement of ~75% of jet fuel emissions
- Medium and long-range travel make up ~75% of fuel consumption and require lightweight, energy dense liquid fuels

**Aviation fuel demand per segment and range - 2018** Share of total **Decarbonization option** Hydrogen Range up to in thousand km PAX Fuel Global Fuel eff. (fuel-cell or **Battery** combustion) consumption fleet improvements electric SAF 4.5 8.5 10 >10 0.5 3 1 2 7 Commuter <1% 4% <19 Regional 3% 13%  $\checkmark$ 20-80 Short-range  $\checkmark$ 24% 53%  $\checkmark$ 81-165 Medium-~/ 43% 18% range 166-250 Long-range  $\sim$ 30% 12% >250



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Growth in SAF demand is largely driven by US and Europe, due to high ambition on the supply side in the US supported by financial incentives as well as proposed concrete mandates for blending of SAF at all EU airports

In the US, demand for SAF largely driven by corporate and state commitments (e.g., SAF Grand Challenge) as well as incentives and cap-and-trade systems to accelerate commercialization (e.g., Inflation Reduction Act 45Z, Minnesota and Illinois SAF tax credits, Low Carbon Fuel Standards in California, Washington, Oregon, British Columbia, New Mexico, Canada)

1. EU27+UK+Norway

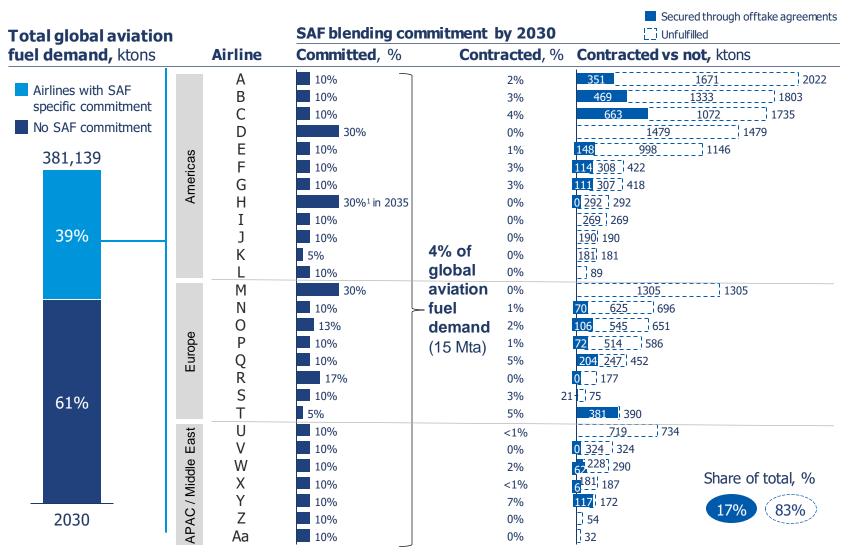
2. 2% by 2025, 5% by 2030, 63% by 2050 from ReFuelEU proposal

3. Sustainable Aviation Fuel Grand Challenge (not a mandate); Represents 8-11% of U.S. aviation fuel sales in 2030, assuming projected sales of 28-38 bn gallons

**Enormous, Growing Demand for SAF** 

Source: Global Consulting Firm, Sustainable Fuels Demand Model

# **3** Enormous, Growing Demand for SAF (Cont'd)



27 major airlines representing ~39% of global aviation fuel consumption have made SAF specific commitments

However, only 17% of airline SAF commitments are contracted

Additional SAF volumes are necessary to achieve 2030 airline targets

1. H has committed to 30% SAF blend in 2035, 2030 value was derived using an assumed ramp-up curve with ~7.5% SAF blend in 2030 Source: Company websites, press search, OAG, Fleet Analyser, Global Consulting Firm



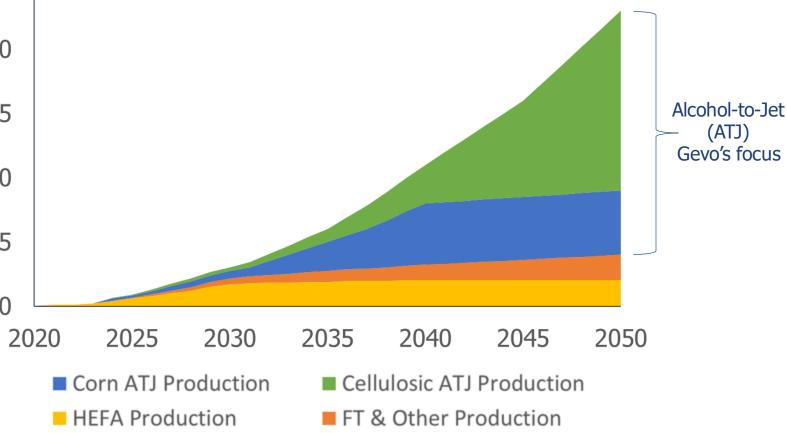
# **B** Enormous, Growing Demand for SAF (Cont'd)





## Forecasted US SAF Fulfillment

(billion gallons per year)





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#### Gevo's Net Zero 1 SAF is Highly Competitive with Alternative SAF Production Pathways



SAF pathways: At HEFA

	PtL

Competitive criteria		Assessment criteria	Net Zero 1 (Gevo AtJ <sup>1</sup> )	UCO or Soybean Oil HEFA <sup>2</sup>	Power-to-Liquids <sup>3</sup>	
Sustainable	Decarbonization Efficiency	How competitive is the \$/MT CO <sub>2</sub> abatement cost against alternative SAF pathways and across other decarbonization routes?	✓ ~\$450/MT CO <sub>2</sub>	✓ ~\$720-800/MT CO₂	× ~\$1,500+/MT CO <sub>2</sub>	
	Optionality	What additional levers exist to further decarbonize?	Sust. ag	🖉 Sust. ag	RES <sup>4</sup> , H2 optionality	
	Resource Efficiency	Is this the most effective use of resources to decarbonize (e.g., land)? What alternative uses of resources would be more effective?	5x more fuel production potential than soy	Crops with most efficient use of land often banned (e.g., Palm)	Alternative use of RES / H2 needs to be considered	
	Feedstock and Inputs	What are the feedstock and input limits to scaling?	Corn could supply >3x projected 2030 US SAF demand	Waste oils constrained; soybean oil less constrained	Unlimited theoretical feedstock	
Timing	Timing	What are the critical unlocks to scaling, when will they come, and what are the signposts?	Can repurpose falling demand of ethanol	Competition for RD in the near-to mid- term	Constraint on at- scale renewables deployment in near- term	

2. Hydroprocessed Esters and Fatty Acids – the process of refining vegetable oils, waste oils, or fats into SAF through a hydrogenation process

3. Power to Liquids – the process of converting renewable electricity and captured carbon dioxide into synthetic fuels and chemicals, such as diesel, methanol, and SAF

4. Renewable energy systems (e.g., wind, solar)

<sup>1.</sup> Alcohol to Jet

# **Cost Effective:** Gevo's Net Zero 1 is Designed to Enable Low-Cost Route to SAF and Low-Cost Route to Carbon Abatement



Carbon abatement compared to fossil jet fuel<sup>2</sup>

Net Zero 1 is designed to achieve much higher carbon reduction at competitive cost with alternative SAF pathways

SAF pathways: AtJ HEFA PtL

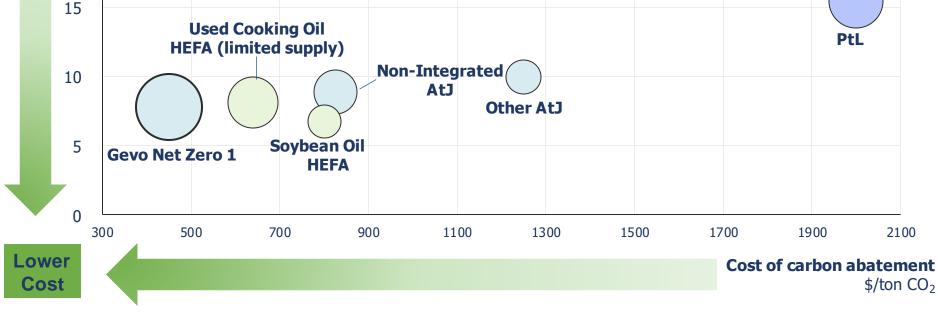
Net Zero 1 could have the lowest cost of carbon abatement among all the available SAF options in the market

Comparison of SAF Production Pathways<sup>1</sup>

Unit cost of production (unsubsidized)

\$/gal SAF

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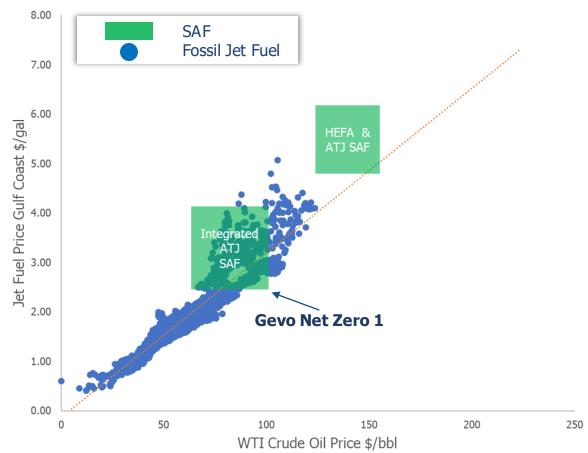
1. Cost of carbon abatement = (SAF production cost – fossil jet production cost \$2.08/gal jet) / (fossil jet CI 89 gCO2e/MJ – SAF CI); does not include incentives for SAF; 2. CI reduction potential = fossil jet CI – SAF CI; assume fossil jet has 90 gCO2/MJ based on ANL GREET CI.

Source: Global consulting firm, Gevo Base Model, Argonne GREET Aviation Model, expert input

### **Cost Effective: Most Competitive Cash Cost of Production**



SAF Cash Cost of Production vs. Fossil Jet Fuel Price



Powerto-Liquids SAF



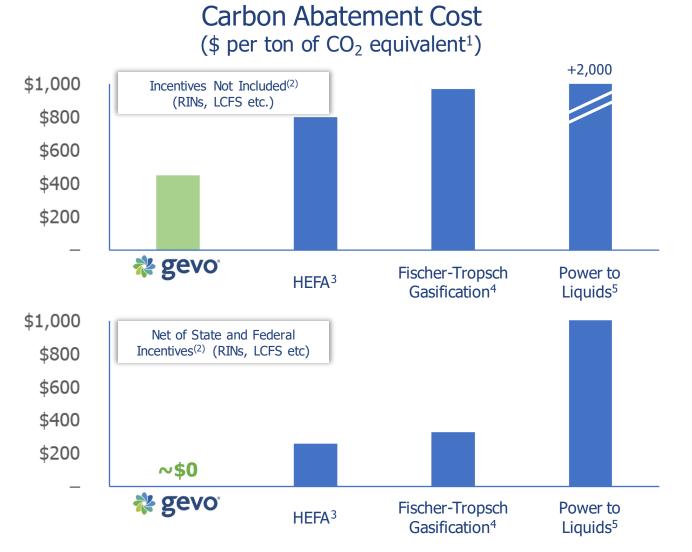
AtJ SAF cash cost of production is expected to be competitive with fossil jet fuel prices, even though AtJ SAF can deliver 100% or more carbon abatement per gallon

Gevo's proprietary integrated process design and technologies lead to most favored competitive position

The future of aviation is **Alcohol-to-Jet**; it's the most competitive on a cash cost of production basis

Cash cost of production represents total economic cost of production before capital cost. Does not include federal and state incentives. Based on work done by an independent global consulting firm, Nexant, Cancawe-Aramco, and Gevo analysis. SAF production cash cost shown before Federal and state incentives such as RINs, LCFS, 45Z and other state SAF tax credits, and before new capital cost. AtJ SAF cost assumes approximately \$5.00/bu corn for illustrative purposes; estimates dependent on feedstock prices and other assumptions.

#### **Cost Effective: Most Competitive SAF Carbon Abatement**



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Cost of Carbon Abatement is low enough that the carbon value from environmental incentives (RINs, Federal, State level) can make the SAF affordable to airlines

Based work done by an independent global consulting firm which includes on external market data and internal estimates. (1) Carbon abatement cost = (Cost of SAF production + Cost of capital – Fossil jet price of \$2.08/gal) / (Fossil jet Carbon Intensity 89 gCO2e/MJ – SAF Carbon Intensity) x Conversion Factor. Conversion Factor = 1,000,000 gCO2e per ton / 119,777 BTU per gal jet x 948 Btu per MJ. (2) State and Federal incentives include incentives such as the 45Z, California LCFS, RINs and state SAF tax credits, as applicable. Based on internal estimates for Gevo Net-Zero 1 greenfield SAF plant. (3) Soybean oil (43 CI), assumes brownfield HEFA facility \$6.80-7.01/gallon production and capital cost. (4) Forestry residues (4 CI). (5) Combustion point source CO2 (12 CI).

#### **Cost Effective: Gevo's ETO (ethanol-to-olefins) Technology Could Further Reduce Future SAF Cost of Production**



Gevo's ETO technology generates C3+ olefins directly from ethanol, making it more efficient than current dehydration + oligomerization processes. Reduced unit operations > less capital > lower energy footprint > more carbon abatement per dollar.

Amount of Potential Cost Reduction (2030+)



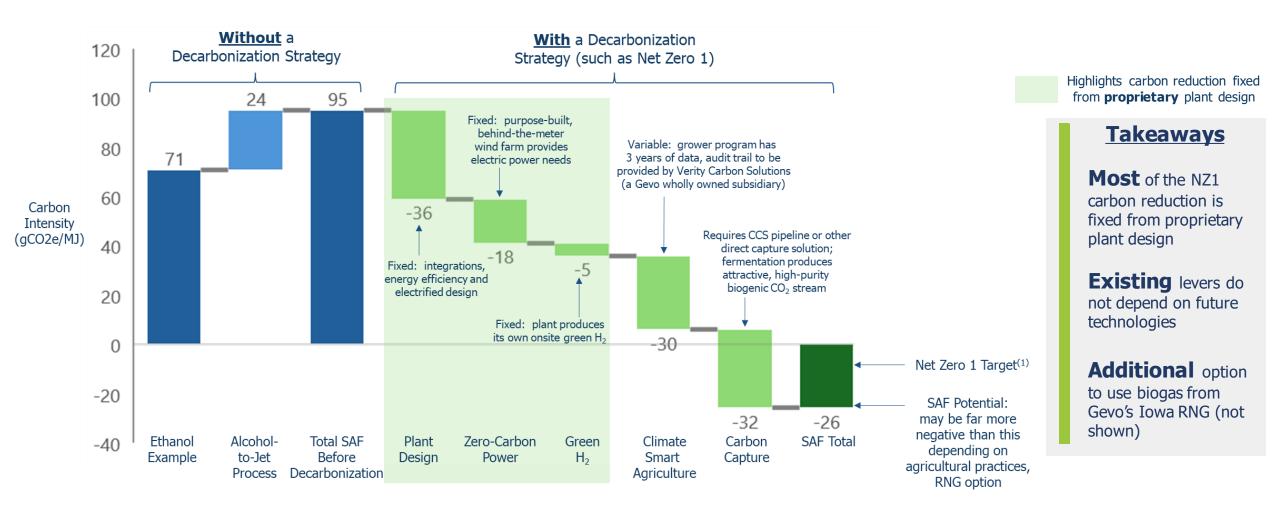
Gevo is jointly developing the ETO process with LG Chem for chemical use and retains certain rights to the technology

Gevo has the potential to

Can also be used to produce carbon-negative materials

#### Sustainable: Net Zero 1 SAF is Designed to Achieve Zero or Negative Carbon Intensity



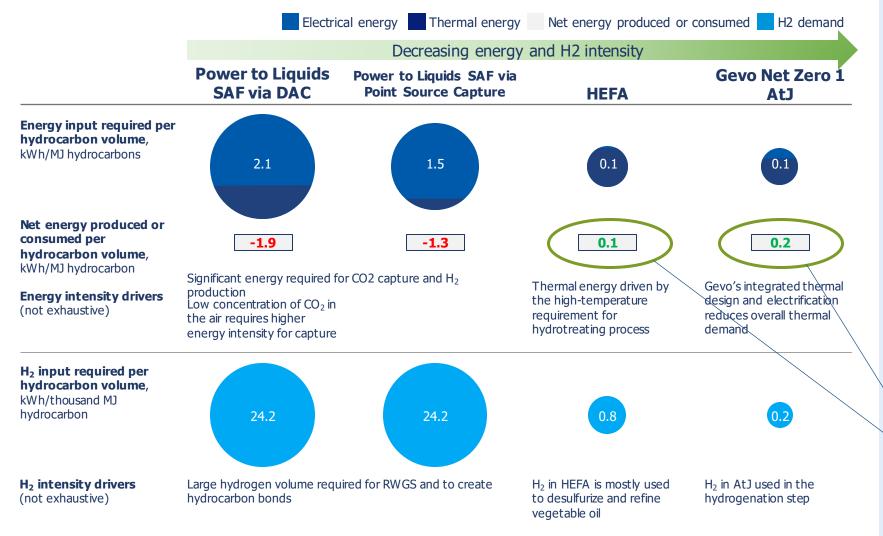


ILUC – Indirect Land Use. CCS – Carbon Capture and Sequestration. CI – Carbon Intensity. 1. Based on internal estimates. Net Zero 1 is targeting zero or negative CI; final CI result may vary from what is estimated. Based on Argonne GREET model including internal estimates of agricultural practices and CCS impacts potential.

#### **Sustainable: Photosynthesis and Fermentation Provides Most of the Energy for SAF Production via AtJ and HEFA**



Comparative analysis of SAF pathways



#### **Key insights**

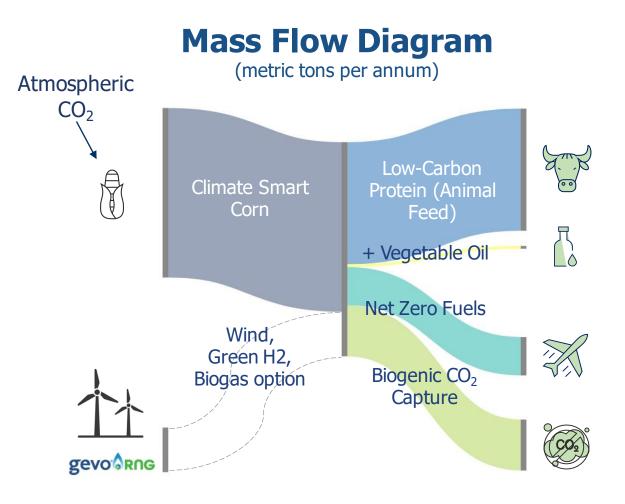
Gevo's NZ1 and existing HEFA processes require significantly less thermal and electrical energy than Direct Air Capture; HEFA and AtJ leverage photosynthesis to supply most of the energy required to produce SAF

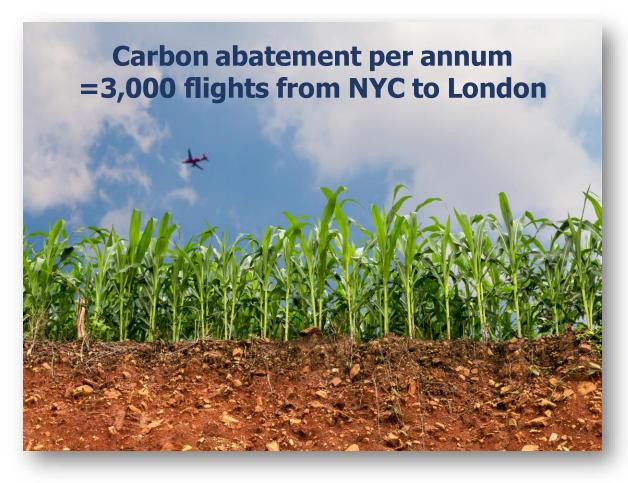
HEFA and AtJ create more energy via SAF output than is required for production input; PtL requires more energy than it produces

> These pathways produce more energy than they consume, require fewer inputs

### Sustainable: We Make Food First



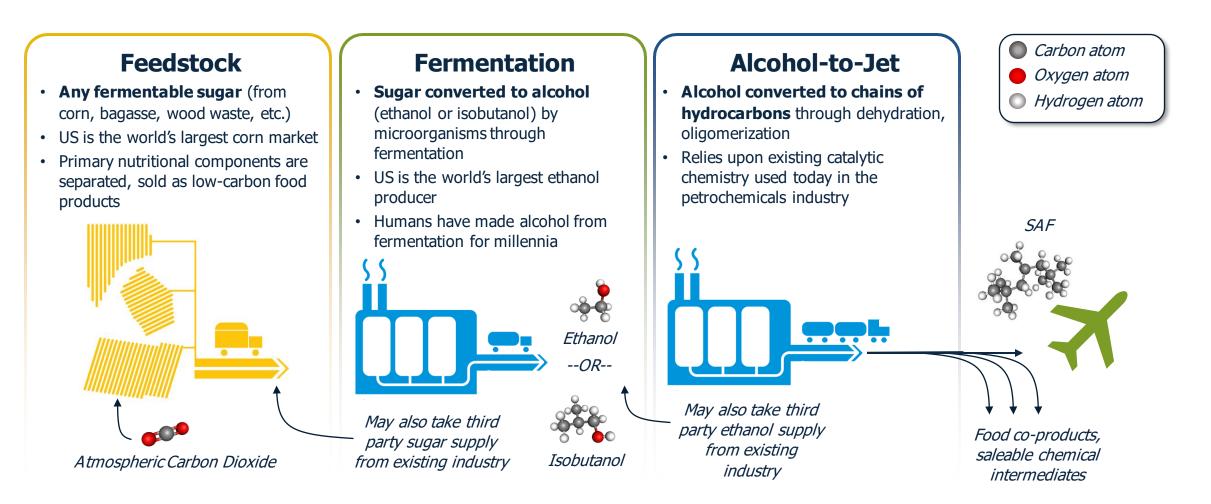




Approximate quantities (in metric tons per annum): corn 965,000 or 220k equivalent acres; protein 695,000 based on 36% dry matter for wet basis; corn oil 15,420; biogenic CO2 295,000 (does not include additional potential sequestration from soil organic carbon / climate smart ag practices); net zero fuels 218,400 or 65 million gallons (60 SAF and 5 renewable diesel and bio-naphtha). Carbon abatement based on ~800ktpa and negative emissions (less than zero Carbon Intensity) using Argonne GREET method including expected climate smart agriculture benefits. Comparison assumes B747-Long-Range (262 seat) with an efficiency of 1.8 MJ per seat-km.

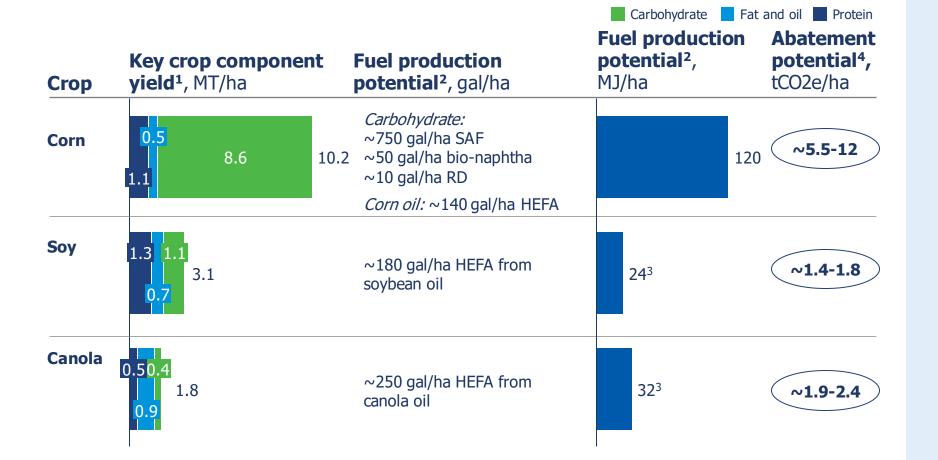
#### Sustainable: We Make SAF From Plant Sugars





#### Sustainable: Corn Yields More SAF & Abates More Carbon Per Acre Than Soy Or Canola While Producing Similar Volumes Of Protein





#### Key insights

**Corn has a higher abatement potential than soy (4-6.5x) or canola (3-4.5x) per acre of land**, depending on agriculture practices. Current analysis excludes lignocellulosic residues (e.g., corn stover), but if additional crop feedstocks is taken into account, the gap between corn and soy / canola could further widen

Corn is a more efficient use of land than is soy or canola, driven by higher carbohydrate content per hectare from corn and the fact that corn is a C4 photosynthesis plant

- 1. Assumes 11.9MT/ha corn (8-10% protein, 4-5% fat and oil, 70-75% carbohydrate); 3.5 MT/ha soy (35-45% protein, 15-25% fat and oil, 33% carbohydrate); 2 MT/ha rapeseed (20-25% protein, 45% fat and oil, 15-20% carbohydrate)
- 2. Assuming all potential feedstock used for fuel production
- 3. Theoretically, carbohydrate portion of soybean crush or rapeseed meal could be fermented to be used as AtJ feedstock (producing SAF, RD, and bio-naphtha). Including carbohydrate portion could add ~13 MJ/ha (0.5-1 tCO2e/ha) or ~4.5 MJ/ha (0.2-0.4 tCO2e/ha) of abatement potential for soy and canola, respectively. However, such AtJ pathways are not a focus area because economically infeasible to separate carbohydrate portion from protein
- 4. Abatement potential dependent on agriculture practices; lower end of range assumes no sustainable agriculture practices, high er end of range assumes sustainable agriculture practices consistent with low CI corn feedstock for NZ1; CCS assumed in ethanol fermentation step of AtJ, but in no other production steps

Source: USDA; FAOSTAT; Journal of Food Science and Technology; Global Consulting Firm.

#### Sustainable: Corn Feedstocks Grown in US Could Produce ~10Bn GPY of SAF (>3x Projected 2030 Demand) Without Disrupting the Food System



United States Example

**Key insights** 

SAF can be produced from corn without affecting current food / feed supply; corn used to produce ethanol and other industrial uses could be further processed to SAF, supplying more than the expected 2030 US demand of ~3Bn GPY with no changes to total land use

Corn used in fuels and industrials can supply **46 million tons of animal feed and corn oil to the US food/ feed system** 

	Available			1000 of fuels use
	Use	Fractional US Bushels grown, Billion Bushels	<b>SAF</b> , Billion GPY	Food/Feed Million Tons
Fuels & Industrials	Ethanol and biofuels	3.7	6.4	(293)
	Other industrial <sup>1</sup>	2.2	3.9 <sup>2</sup>	
Food/ feed	Animal feed	5.4		(149)
	Exports	2.1		(574)
	Food	0.2		(4)
Other uses	Seed	0.2	Unav	ailable for
	Losses	-0.7	foc	d/ fuels
	Total	14.4	10.3	(256)

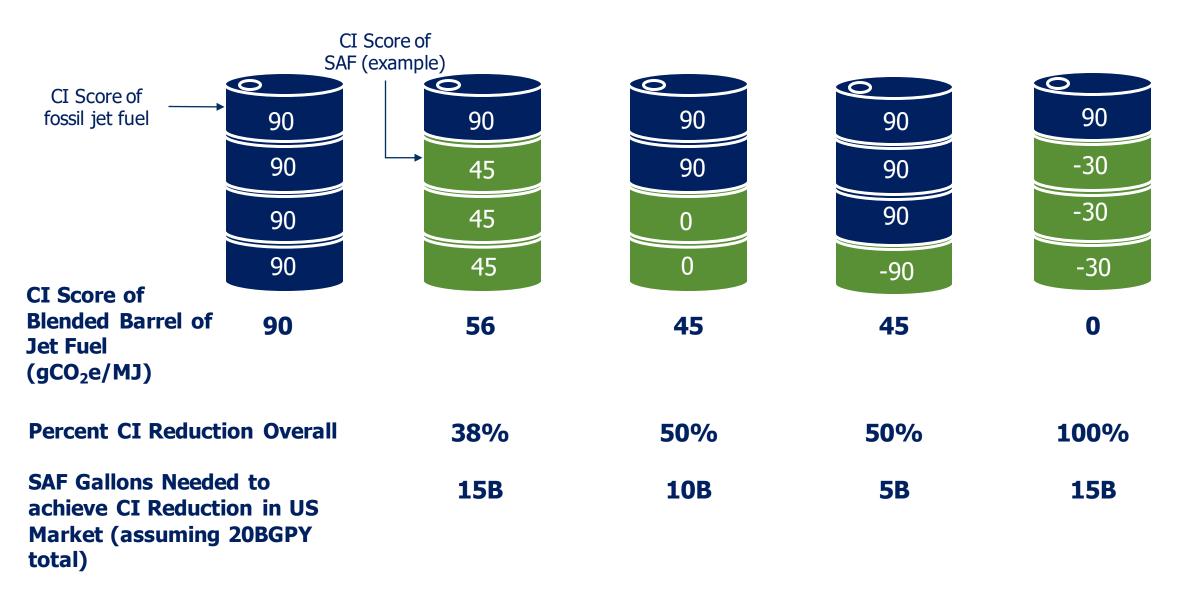
Available for food and fuels use Available for food only Not available for food or fuels use

1 Industrial applications include e.g., fermentation, modified starch, paper, textiles; 2. Corn for industrial uses is repurposed for SAF production 3. Includes DDGS for animal feed and corn oil, assuming a bushel of corn produces 16.4 pounds of DDGS, and 0.7 pounds of corn oil; 4. Assumes all exports arefood/feed

Source: USDA NASS, FAOSTAT, Our World in Data, Iowa State University ethanol profitability model

# Scalable: Lower Carbon Intensity of SAF > More Carbon Abatement > Less SAF is Needed to Achieve Carbon Abatement Goals





#### Scalable: AtJ Platform is Scalable and Could Supply Nearly the Entire Jet Fuel Demand of the US Without Affecting Current Food/Feed Supply

l	Econor	nic today 📒 I	increa	sing yield	Economic at cert	ain carbon prices 📕 Total
Feedstock	<b>Carbon abated,</b> million tCO2e					
Corn starch		10.3				130-3704
Corn starch yield increas Through 2030 <sup>2</sup>	e	1.	.1-			10-404
Forestry resources <sup>3</sup>				5.5	1	40-505
Crop residue <sup>3</sup>					8.4	<b>50-70</b> <sup>6</sup>
Cellulosic cover crops <sup>3</sup>						1.8 10-707
Total				27.1		240-600

#### US SAF Demand in 2030: ~3B Gallons

Total US jet demand in 2030 could be ~30 BGY<sup>8</sup>, corn AtJ alone could satisfy a 38% SAF blend

1. Assumes all potential HC are converted to SAF; 2. Assuming a crop yield growth of ~1.1% yoy average of 2000-2021; 3. Assumes ~17% HC yield from cellulosic feedstocks; 4. Low abatement case assumes Gevo's CI of -8 gCO2e/MJ, high abatement case assumes carbon capture on managed land can achieve CI of -190 gCO2e/MJ for corn starch based on an LCA report from Locus (scientific consensus still outstanding on potential impact and not yet approved in all credit schemes); 5. Low abatement case assumes a standalone AtJ facility resulting in a CI of 40.0 gCO2e/MJ, high abatement case assumes an integrated ethanol + AtJ facility resulting in a CI of 24.9 gCO2e/MJ; 6. Low abatement case assumes a standalone AtJ facility resulting in a CI of 43.3 gCO2e/MJ, high abatement case assumes an integrated ethanol + AtJ facility resulting in a CI of 24.3 gCO2e/MJ, high abatement case assumes an integrated ethanol + AtJ facility resulting in a CI of 43.3 gCO2e/MJ, high abatement case assumes carbon capture on managed land can achieve CI of -190 gCO2e/MJ for cellulosic cover crops based on an LCA report from Locus; 8. Based on 3.63 quads (10^15 BTU) jet fuel demand from 2023 EIA Annual Energy Outlook

Source: Global Consulting Firm, USDA NASS, FAOSTAT, Our World in Data USDA, World Bank, Env ironmental Protection Agency, ICAO, DOE Billion-Ton Report https://www.icao.int/environmental-protection/CORSIA/Documents/CORSIA\_Eligible\_Fuels/CORSIA\_Supporting\_Document\_CORSIA%20Eligible%20Fuels\_LCA\_Methodology\_V5.pdf https://ag.purdue.edu/commercialag/home/resource/2021/06/opportunities-and-challenges-associated-with-carbon-farming-for-u-s-row-crop-producers/



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United States Example

**Key insights** 

Corn alone can provide enough SAF to fulfill 2030 demand three times over without additional land use; including increases in yield through 2030 and the potential for cellulosic feedstocks for AtJ increases the potential SAF production from ~10B GPY to over 27B GPY

AtJ could abate nearly 600M tons CO<sub>2</sub>e if including cellulosic feedstocks



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#### The Same Process that Makes Our SAF Can Also Make Non-Fossil Derived, Carbon-Negative Materials



Example: Carbon Intensity of polyethylene using part of the Alcohol-to-Jet SAF process

📘 Biologic sequestration 📕 Ethylene 📃 Ethylene 📃 Polyethylene 🛛 🗙 Cost in typical units

oduction route		Carbon intensity of production <sup>2</sup>				
Com		Component	<b>CI,</b> gCO2e / MJ		Assumptions	
Corn	Low CI production includes CCS DDGS by-product: 1.1 tonne	Corn	-62 -70 ++8	3	~6,450 gCO2e/bushel CI of corn farming; credits for precision farming, yield increase, and sustainable farming (5.5, 3.8, and 13.1 gCO2e/MJ respectively); -70 gCO2e/MJ fromCO2 absorbed from atmosphere that is later sequestered in plastics	
Ethanol	DDGS per tonne ethanol produced	CCS during fermentation	-30		~6.2 lbs CO2/gal ethanol produced during fermentation	
		By-product credit	-11		${\sim}0.3$ lb corn oil/gal EtOH and ${\sim}4.7$ lb DDGS/gal EtOH; carbon intensity of 180 gCO2e/lb, removed from attribution to ethanol	
		Utilities, other materials, iLUC	+14		Assume wind power (0 CI) and fossil natural gas (1.6 gCO2e/MJ); iLUC 7.6 gCO2e/MJ; oth materials include chemicals / denaturants (2.5 gCO2e/MJ)	
		Ultra-Low CI Ethanol	-90	(7.3)kgCO2e /gal EtOH	Traditional <sup>1</sup> ethanol: -10 gCO2e/MJ or -0.3 gCO2e/gal EtOH	
Ethylene	Ethylene Energy-intensive dehydration	Dehydration	+5		Assume fossil natural gas and grid electricity	
		Ethylene	-85	(3.9)tCO2e/t ethylene	Traditional ethanol: -4.5 gCO2e/MJ or -0.2 tCO2e/t ethylene	
Polyethylene	Polymerization	Polymerization	-+7		This step consistent between PE produced via fossil and via bio routes, so does not contrib to abatement potential; assumes fossil natural gas, grid electricity, and grey H2	
		Polyethylene	-78	(3.6) tCO2e/t PE	Traditional ethanol: 2.7 gCO2e/MJ or 0.1 tCO2e/t PE	
Assumes no CCS, n Assumes no inciner	no sustainable agriculture practices, fossil grid ration at end-of-life	electricity and no integrate	d plant design to reduce he at	ing/natural gas demand	A <b><u>negative-carbon</u></b> polyethylene; polyethylene is used to make many household products; other drop-in chemicals are possible too	

Source: Internal estimates, IHS PEP, expert interviews, web search, Global Consulting Firm

# The Market Opportunity for Low-Carbon, Drop-in Chemicals is ~\$400-500 Billion



No Commitment

Scope 1 and 2 only

scope 3 commitments, many

Scope 3

# Across end markets with significant chemical consumption, hundreds of billions in chemicals spend is under scrutiny given Scope 3 emission reduction commitments

Share of ~\$430 ~\$2,300 ~\$1,200 ~\$690 ~\$160 revenue with 3% 9% 10% 11% associated 12% 19% commitments 20% 24% 32% 18% by Top 20 companies, B USD 2020 85% 70% 65% 64% 59% **Automotive Electronics FMCG** Packaging Apparel Associated ~\$70B ~\$110B ~\$70B ~\$90B ~\$160B chemicals value pool, e.g., Elastomers, e.g., Electronics e.g., Polyesters, e.g., Surfactants, e.g., Films & B USD 2020 Nylons, Pigments, Fibers, Thermochemicals, Flavors and Membranes, Textile plastics, Foams, Plastics, fragrances, Plastics, Emollients, Polymers, Coatings Thermoset processing chemicals plastics Actives Thermoplastics

1. Sum of 2020 revenue generated by top 20 companies in each end market - apparel, automotive, electronics, fast moving consumer goods (top 20 companies across food, home, and personal care sectors), packaging

Source: CaplQ, Science-Based Targets Initiative, CDP Worldwide, expert interviews, IHSM, market reports McKinsey "How corporate sustainability commitments could catalyze the next generation of bio-based chemicals and materials." https://www.mckinsey.com/industries/chemicals/our-insights/the-third-wave-of-biomaterials-when-innovation-meets-demand

# Majority of players across the top end markets have made

with target dates of 2030-2040 End market players have started to recognize that achieving these targets often requires significant lead time to source and secure supply of sustainable chemicals

Globally, **\$400-500B** chemicals value pool will be scrutinized for substitution and / or replacement with sustainable chemicals by players in top 5 end markets

Similarly, **potential US sustainable chemicals opportunity ranges from \$100-150B** based on chemicals and end product consumption



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