## Our Vision

**Product Functions** 

- Retains moisture and temperature
- Improves plant and soil health during biodegradation
- 100% biodegradable
- 99.5% soybean by weight
- Reduce manual labor for removal of film
- Reduce the cost of fertilization

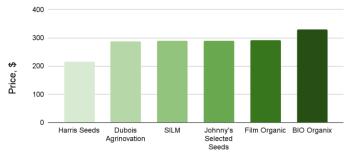
### Costs

- Manufacturing Cost: \$174/roll
- Selling Price: \$289/roll

### Market

- Market share of \$57.0M (1%)
- 76,734 tons soybean sales/year
- Targeted for Indiana farmers
- Can be customized to meet different crop requirements

### **Price Comparison**





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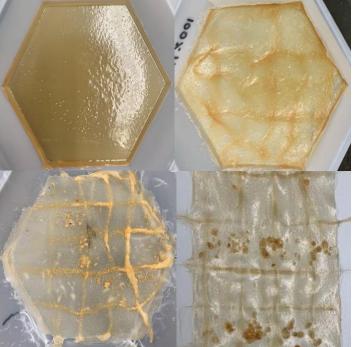
# Agricultural Film

"SILM provides farmers a long term solution for environmental and economic

sustainability"



Biodegradable Film



#### **Conventional Film Functions**

- □ Made with polyethylene (PE) plastics
- Require removal after each use
- **External fertilizer application**
- Contaminates soil while degrading

### **SILM Functions**

- Optimal combination of soy-based fiber, protein, and glycerin
- NaOH, succinic acid used for pH control for crosslinking pH 7 - pH II - pH 4.5
- Minimal impact on soil health
- Promote plant growth
- Maintain temperature and moisture of soil
- Biodegrade within 6 months

### **Potential Problems**

- Long term exposure
- □ Require proper usage
  - Placement
  - Storage
- A reason for farmers to switch from conventional films

# Technical Specifications

Structural Integrity

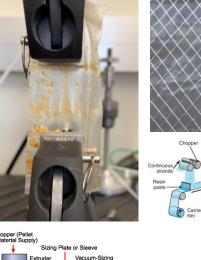
- 38.015 N, 0.01 Gpa
- Determined by fiber and protein composition

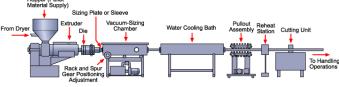
### Environmental Impact

- Protein: provides organic nitrogen
- □ Fiber: provides structural stability
- Glycerin: aids metabolism of nitrogenfixing bacteria
- Soybean meal: NPK 7-1-5 fertilizer
- □ NaOH: increases soil structural stability
- Succinic Acid: promotes Krebs cycle and is used in food and pharmaceuticals

### Manufacturing Process

- □ Reinforced plastic extrusion line
- □ Requires less heat, pressure, and power







### **Product Summary**

- 99.5 % soy materials by weight
- Beneficial for plant growth
- Innovative design with wide application
- Operational Temperature: 0°C
  ~ 30°C
- Market share of 57.0M (1.00%)
- 76,734 tons soybean sales/year

### Potential Improvements

- □ Refinement of NPK ratio
- □ Reduce cost of manufacturing
- □ Alternative colors for different
  - crops and usage requirements
    - □ Red for vegetation
    - Black for weed suppression