



### **provi**chem

- Stabilizers for waterbased dispersions
- Pharmaceutical intermediates
- Biobased solvents and plasticizers
- Applications: feed, food and healthcare up to and including plasticized polymers and high VO solvent substitues

### **Animal**health



- Anti-Microbial & Anti-Inflammatory
  properties
- Helps to decrease the use of antibiotics in animal feed
- Applications: broiler, turkey, poultry, shrimps, fish, cows & piglets

### Toll manufacturing



- Polyurethane Systems
- Brake Fluids
- Sulphur-based Chemistry

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- Niche plasticizers, both in volume and application
- Mostly non-PVC applications
- Non-phthalate
- Partly or 100% bio-based
- Applications: food packaging, fabrics, medical instruments, high-tech car components, kids' toys, ...



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# From a traditional chemical producer to a developer of renewables based solutions

• **1977** Proviron Engineering (Hemiksem)

#### · 1983

Proviron Industries (Hemiksem)

#### · 1996

Proviron Fine Chemicals (Oostende) Proviron Inc. (Friendly, WV, USA)

#### · 2000

Sulphur Silanes derivatives (0)

#### · 2006

• Biodiesel unit (O)

• 2009 Innovations – Microalgae (H)

• **2011** Pu Wei Lun (Hangzhou, China)

#### · 2014

ADF in Provifrost portfolio (O) Animal Health (H)

#### · 2016

70 M €, 230 employees Divestment Proviron Basic Chemicals (0)





### ProviAPT principles & advantages

- Indoor closed PBR: 100% (recyclable) feed grade plastic film material
- High aerial productivities: Vertical farming
- Modular concept: Flexibility
- Automated reactor production and real time monitoring (Flows, CO<sub>2</sub> usage, Productivity, Photosynthetic efficiency, culture health)
- Reduced contamination risk
- Species specific parameterisation of growth conditions in function of increased yield, compounds
- High cell densities
- Reduced pressure drops, low shear stress sensitive species
- Reliable year round supply of microalgae with high and invariable quality

### ProviAPT mode of action

Closed photobioreactor system

- Filtered air (+ reduced intake by recirculation)
- Filtered nutrients
- No pathogen reservoirs in vicinity
- Computer steered minimal hands-on work
- Reduced contamination risk
- GMP certified (Feed Chain Alliance)
  - Feed/food grade nutrients
  - Traceability
  - No pesticides, no heavy metals
  - FCA certificaat BE 01/1522.GF
- Real time monitoring
  - Flows, CO2 usage
  - Productivity
  - Photosynthetic efficiency
  - Follow up culture health











### 2014



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## 2017 switch to indoor

- Reliable year round supply of microalgae with high and invariable quality
- Species specific parametrisation of growth conditions in function of increased yield, compounds
- Even better control of contamination
- Flexibility

### Indoor pilot testing





### 2018

- 6 units -16 reactors each
- 3360 m<sup>2</sup> reactor surface
- Scalable
- room for 11 batteries
  of 6 units



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### 2018 'usual suspects'



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# Our Prime algae anno 2021



# Excellent fatty acid profile





# **Contract manufacturing & research**

- Starting up in 2021
- Pick your strain and take advantage of our fully automized production process
- Lab scale production (±50 g per week) & research
- Scale up to
  - pilot scale (±1 kg per week)
  - production scale (several tons per year)
- Optimize post-processing
  - Low shear centrifugation
  - Spray drying, freeze drying
  - Extraction
  - Protected atmosphere packaging

# Why? What do our customers gain?

- Profit from our extended expertise in microalgae cultivation
- Upscale to production volumes within a month
- Reduce labor, gain time and get to the market faster
- Avoid culture crashes and contaminated batches
- Increase productivity of mass cultures by means of our innovative **ProviAPT system**
- Save the space needed for algae mass cultivation in regular systems
- Optimize your product with real-time feedback

## **ProviAPT** Lab

- Volume: 6.4 Liters (1 panel)
- High productivities up to 1.5 g/L/d
- Cell densities between 2 and 3 g/L
- Batch or semi-continuous operation
- Autoclavable tubing and filters
- $\bullet$  0.2  $\mu m$  air and media filters
- Automated operation and nutrient addition
- Automated medium recipe building from up to 20 component tanks, with auto pH tuning
- White, red, blue and far red LED lights up to 1000  $\mu$ mol/m<sup>2</sup>/s
- Real time control and monitoring of CO<sub>2</sub> levels, temperature, light conditions, air pressure, flows, growth, light efficiency, RGB culture color,...

# **ProviAPT Pilot**

- Volume: 210 Liters (35 panels)
- Highly productive up to 1.5 g/L/d
- Typical cell densities between 2 and 3 g/L
- Batch or semi-continuous operation
- Autoclavable tubing and filters
- 0.2µm air and media filters
- Automated operation and nutrient addition
- Automated medium recipe building from up to 20 component tanks, with auto pH tuning

• Real time control and monitoring of CO<sub>2</sub> levels, temperature, light conditions, air pressure, flows, growth, light efficiency,...

# **ProviAPT Production**

- Capacity: 1 battery composed of 6 units or 3360 m<sup>2</sup> reactor surface
- Room for 11 batteries of 6 units
- Highly productive up to 1.5 g/L/d
- Typical cell densities around 2 g/L
- Autoclavable tubing and filters
- $\bullet$  0.2  $\mu m$  air and media filters
- Automated operation and nutrient addition
- Automated medium recipe building from up to 20 component tanks, with auto pH tuning
- Real time control and monitoring of CO<sub>2</sub> levels, temperature, light conditions, air pressure, flows, growth, light efficiency,...



# **Post-processing**

- Low shear centrifugation
- Normal centrifuges
- Spray drying
- Freeze drying
- Chemical extraction
- Protected atmosphere packaging



# Thanks for having us! algae.proviron.com Coming soon: ProviAPT platform website!!

We are always looking for interesting collaborations!

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