



## Development of Marine Biodegradable Materials with Ionic Bonds

Ionic Bond / Marine Biodegradable

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### Research Highlights

#### Background

The demand for environmentally responsible materials has been increasing to reduce marine plastic, including microplastic, pollution.

#### Research & Development

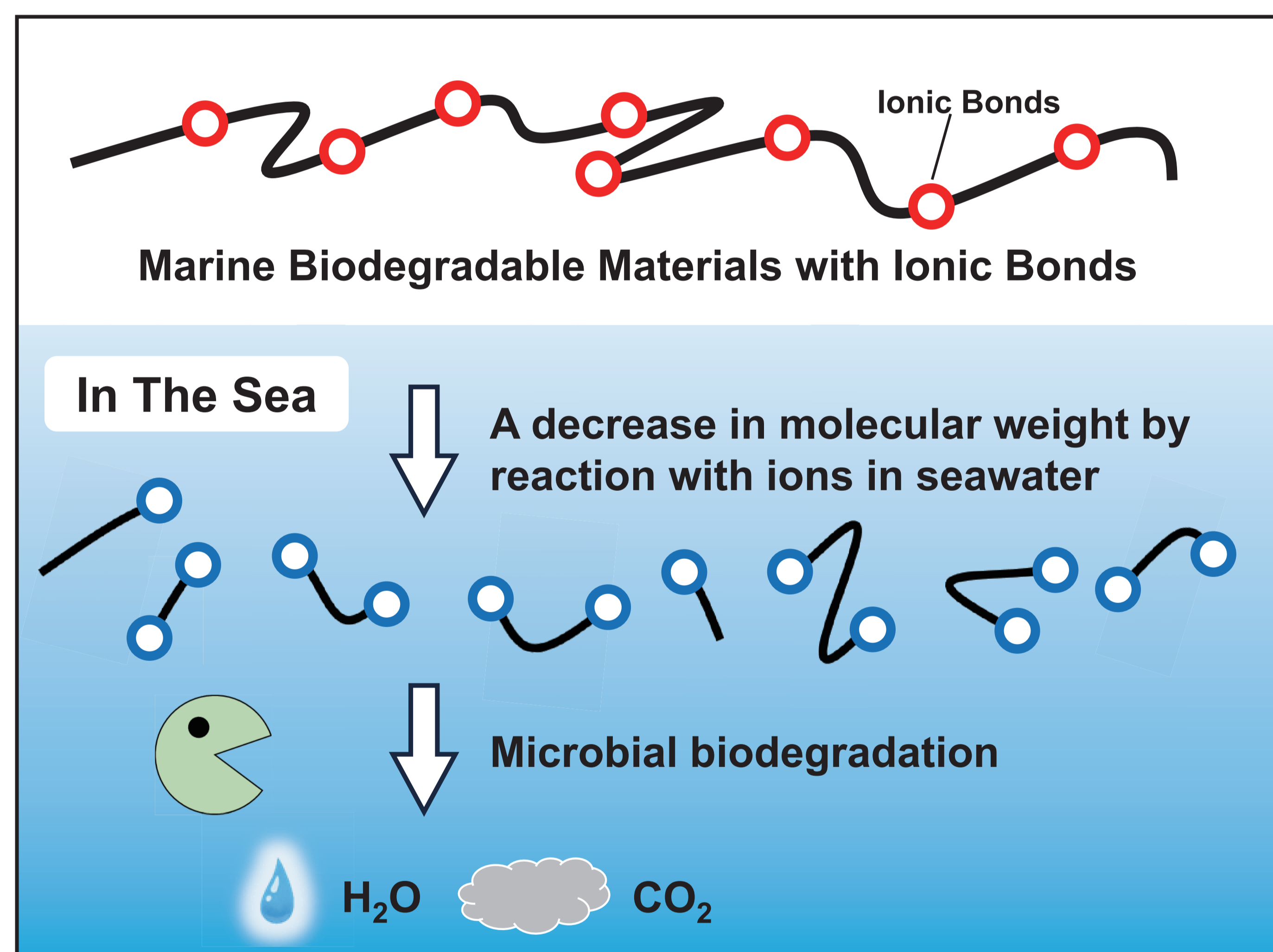
We have developed marine biodegradable materials with ionic bonds that begin biodegradation upon contact with seawater.



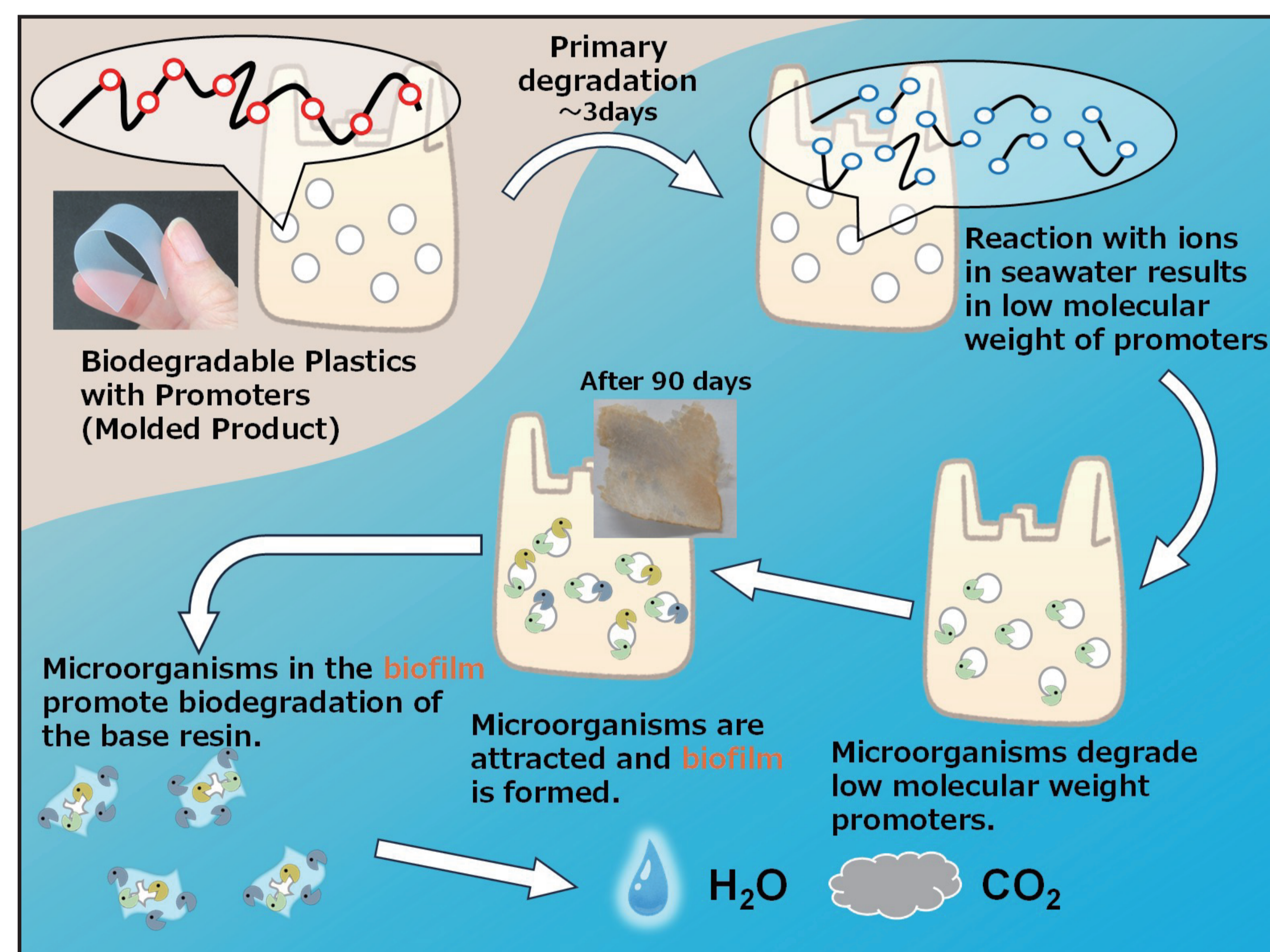
Fine Particles  
(Hydrophobic Alginate Particles)



Biodegradation Promoters



The Mechanism of Marine Biodegradation of Developed Materials



The Mechanism of Marine Biodegradation of Biodegradable Plastics with Additives

### For Visitors

We would like to explore the applications of marine biodegradable materials with ionic bonds and collaborate with partner companies to launch innovative products.

### Online Contents

Nisshinbo Holdings R&D Activities  
[https://www.nisshinbo.co.jp/r\\_d/activity.html](https://www.nisshinbo.co.jp/r_d/activity.html)



Project Name	Technology Development Project for Social Implementation of Marine Biodegradable Plastics / Development of New Stuff and New Material related to Marine Biodegradable Plastics
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## Summary of Marine Biodegradable Materials with Ionic Bonds

### Biodegradable Fine Particles / Biodegradation Promoters

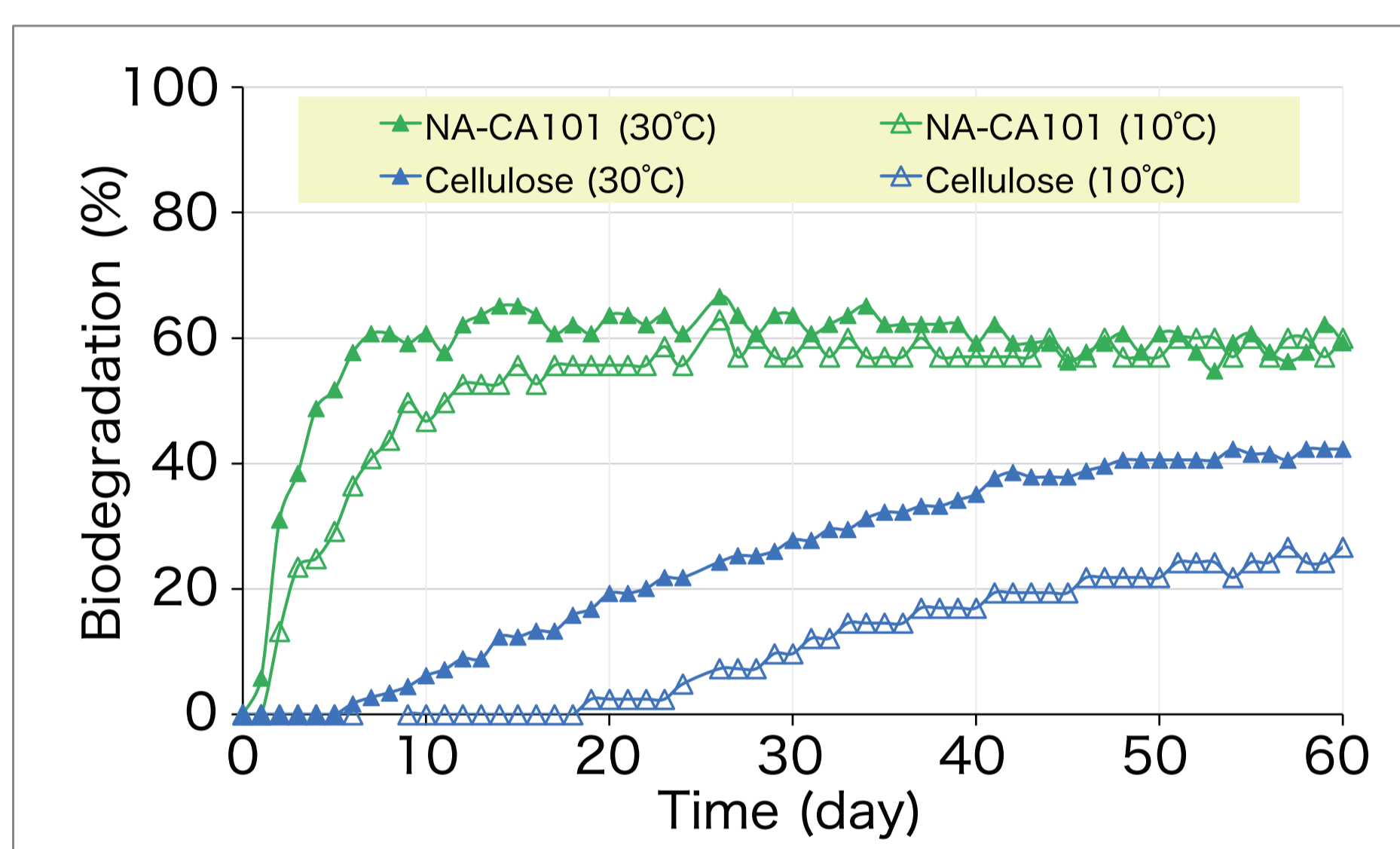
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#### Hydrophobic Alginate Particles (NA-CA101)

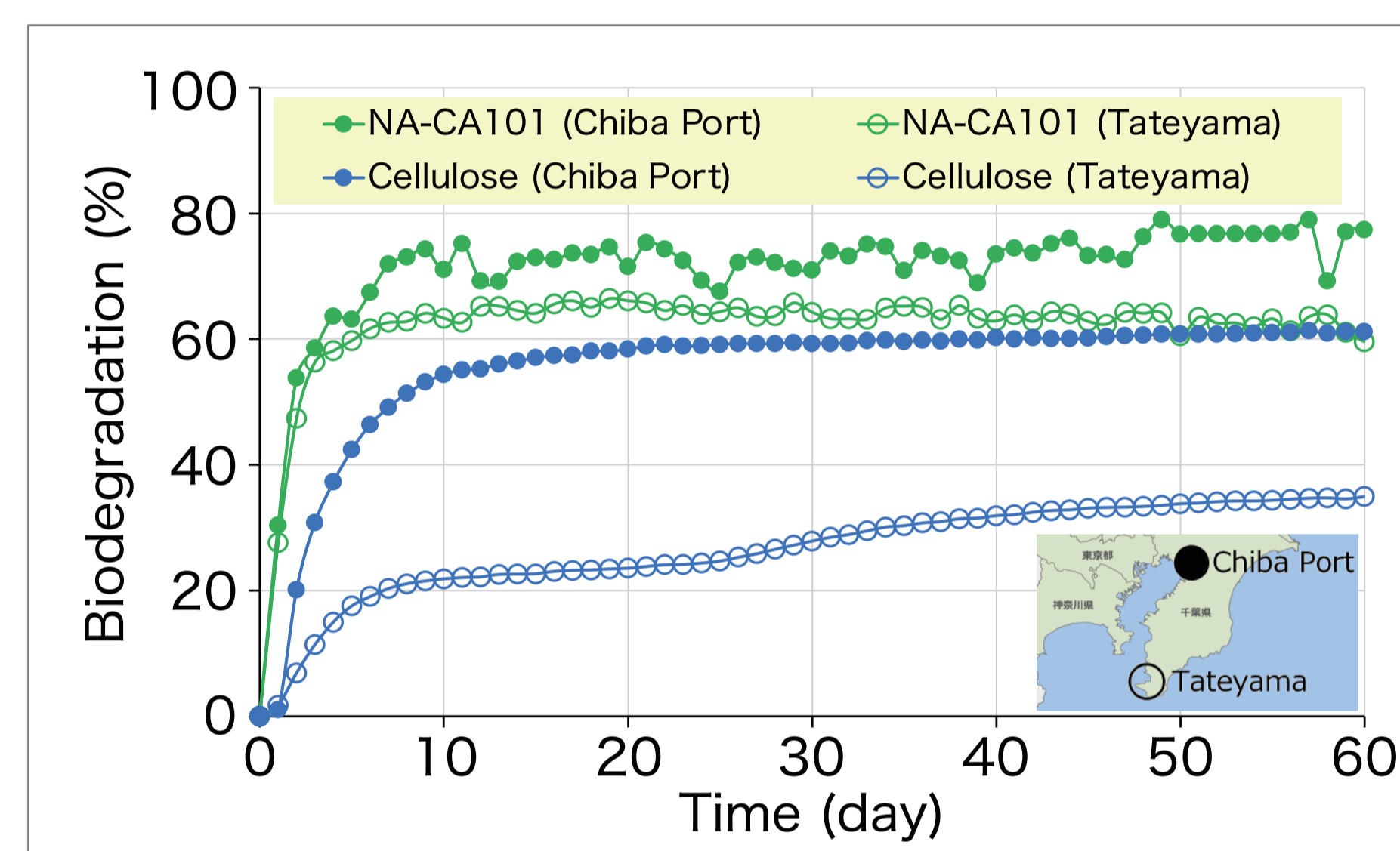
- We have developed eco-friendly materials made from alginic acid derived from seaweed.
- We expect applications in personal care, such as cosmetics.



OK biodegradable MARINE Certification (2021)



The Effect of Test Temperatures on Biodegradability



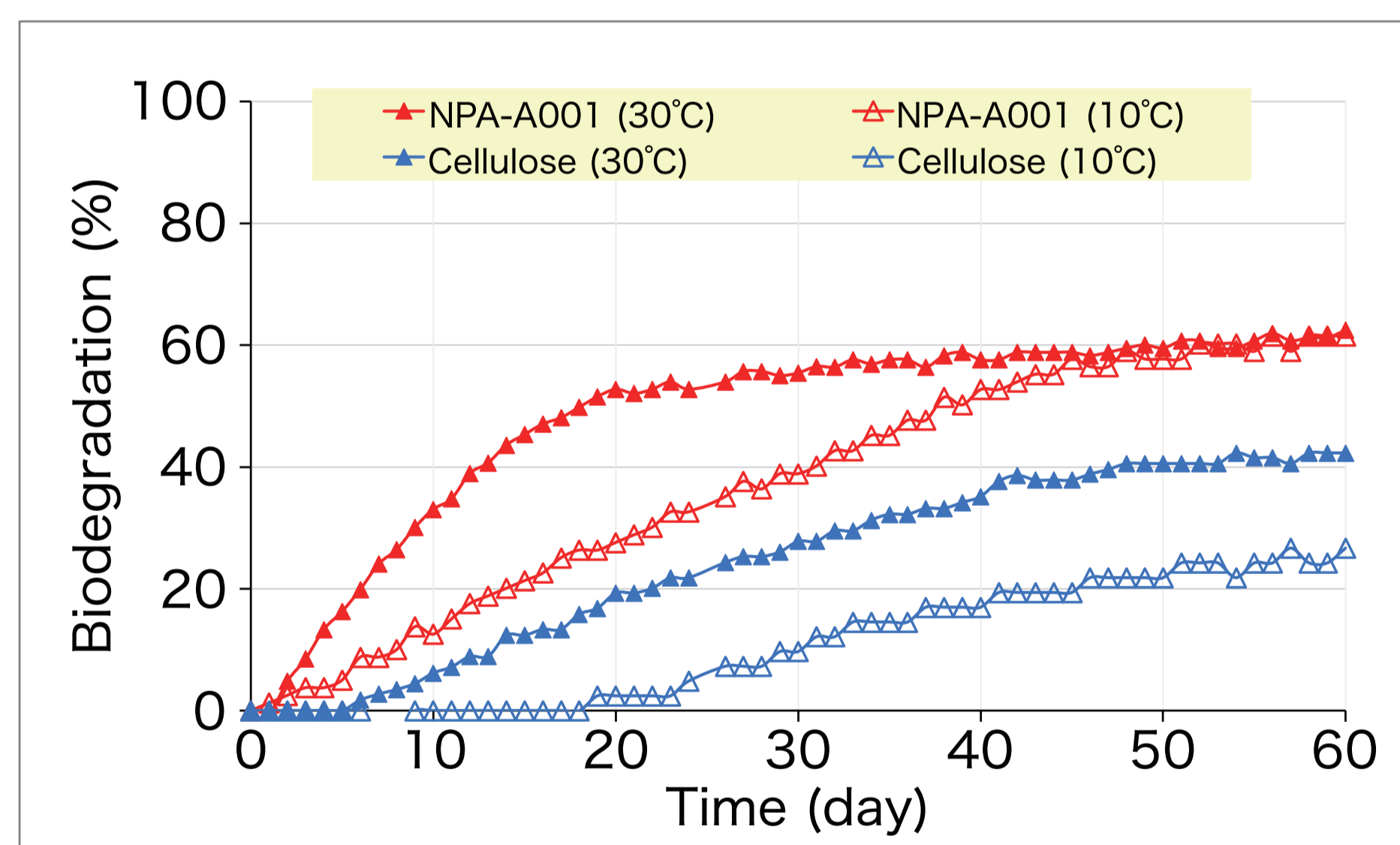
The Effect of Seawater Sampling Points on Biodegradability

Tests	Results
Skin Irritation	Negative
Eye Irritation	Negative
AMES	Negative
Patch Test	Negative
Natural Origin Index	≥90%
Biomass Degree	100%

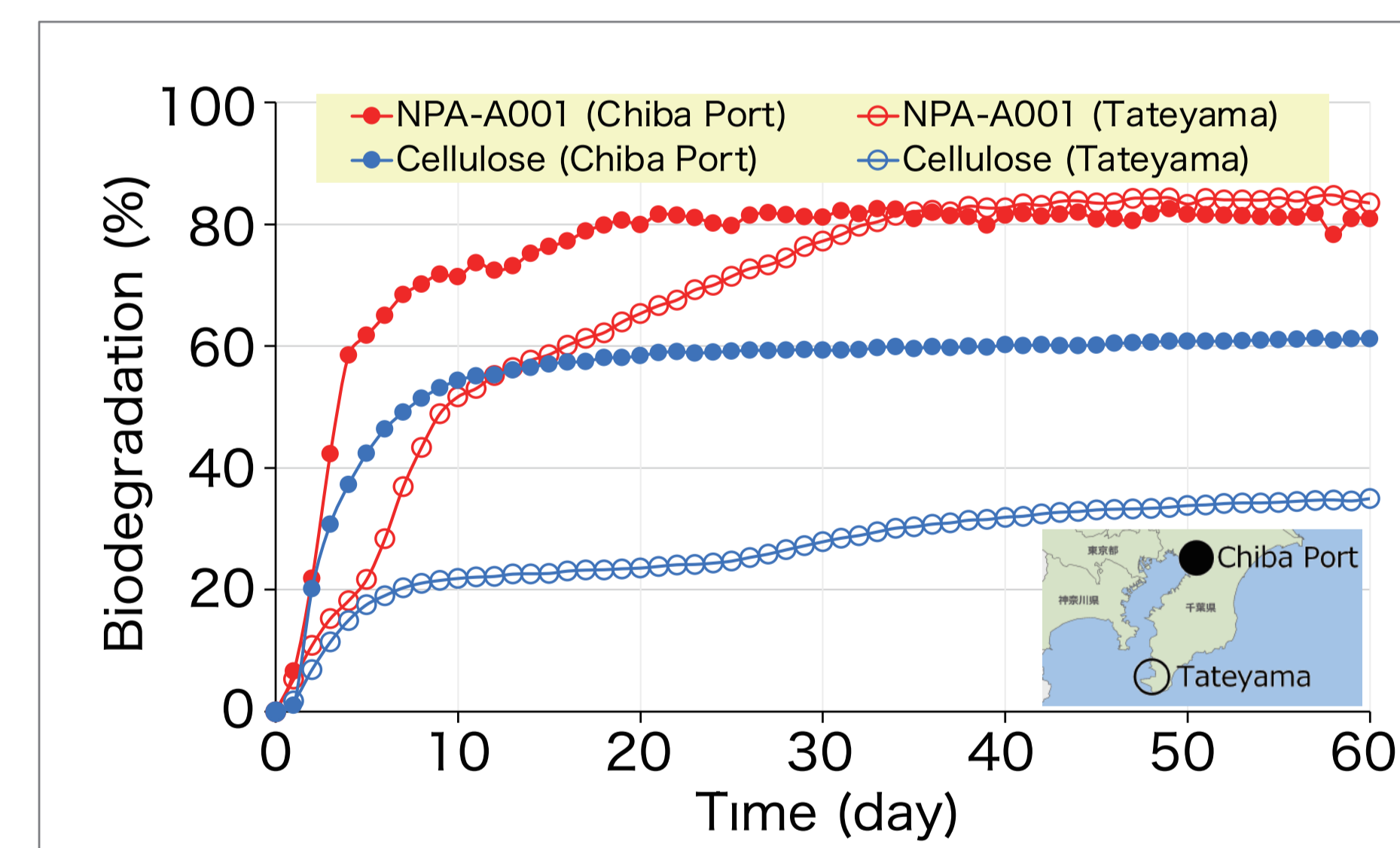
Safety Test

#### Marine Biodegradation Promoters (NPA-A001)

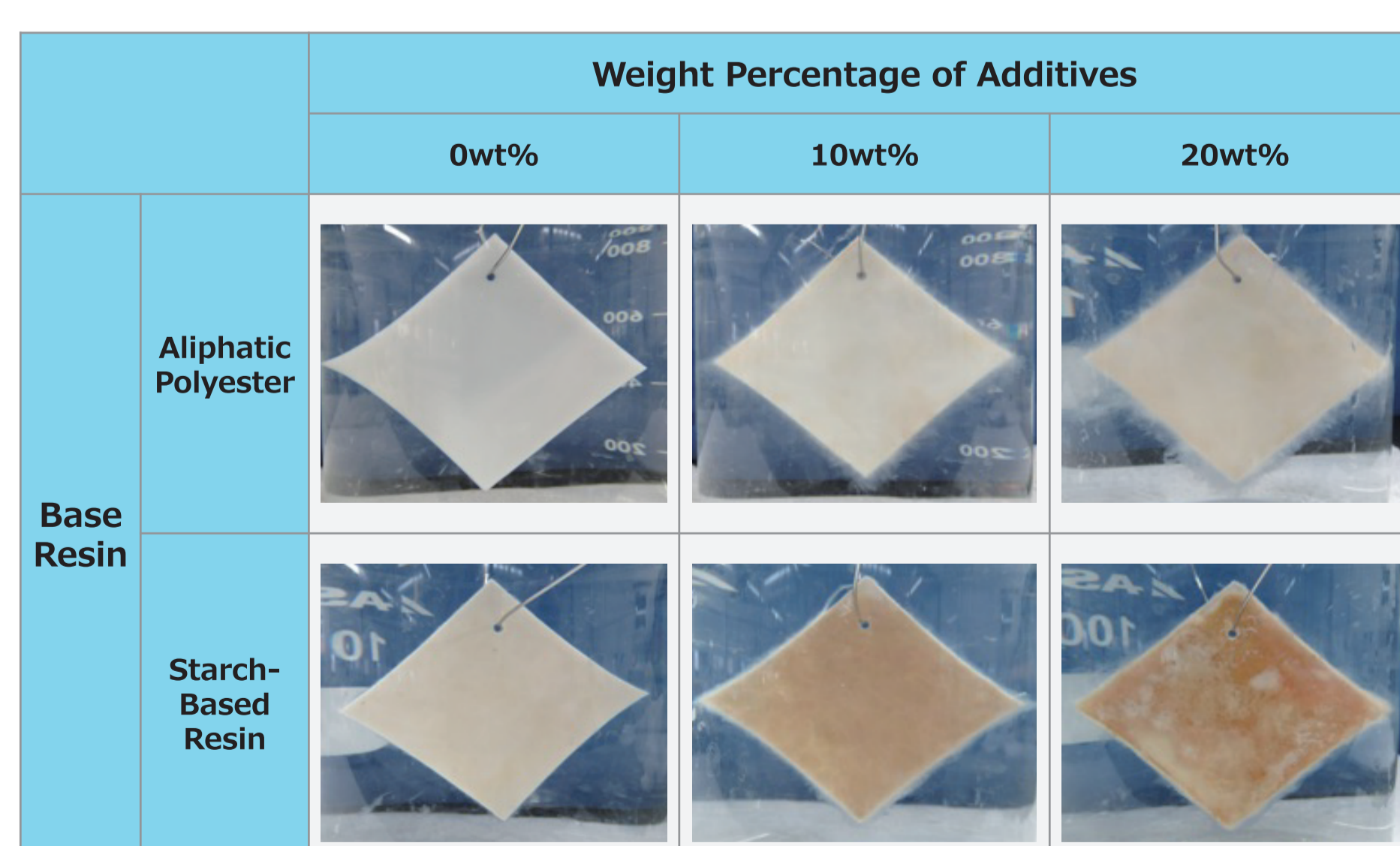
- We have developed additives that enhance biodegradability of biodegradable plastics by blending with them.
- We expect applications as biodegradation promoter for products that are difficult to collect.



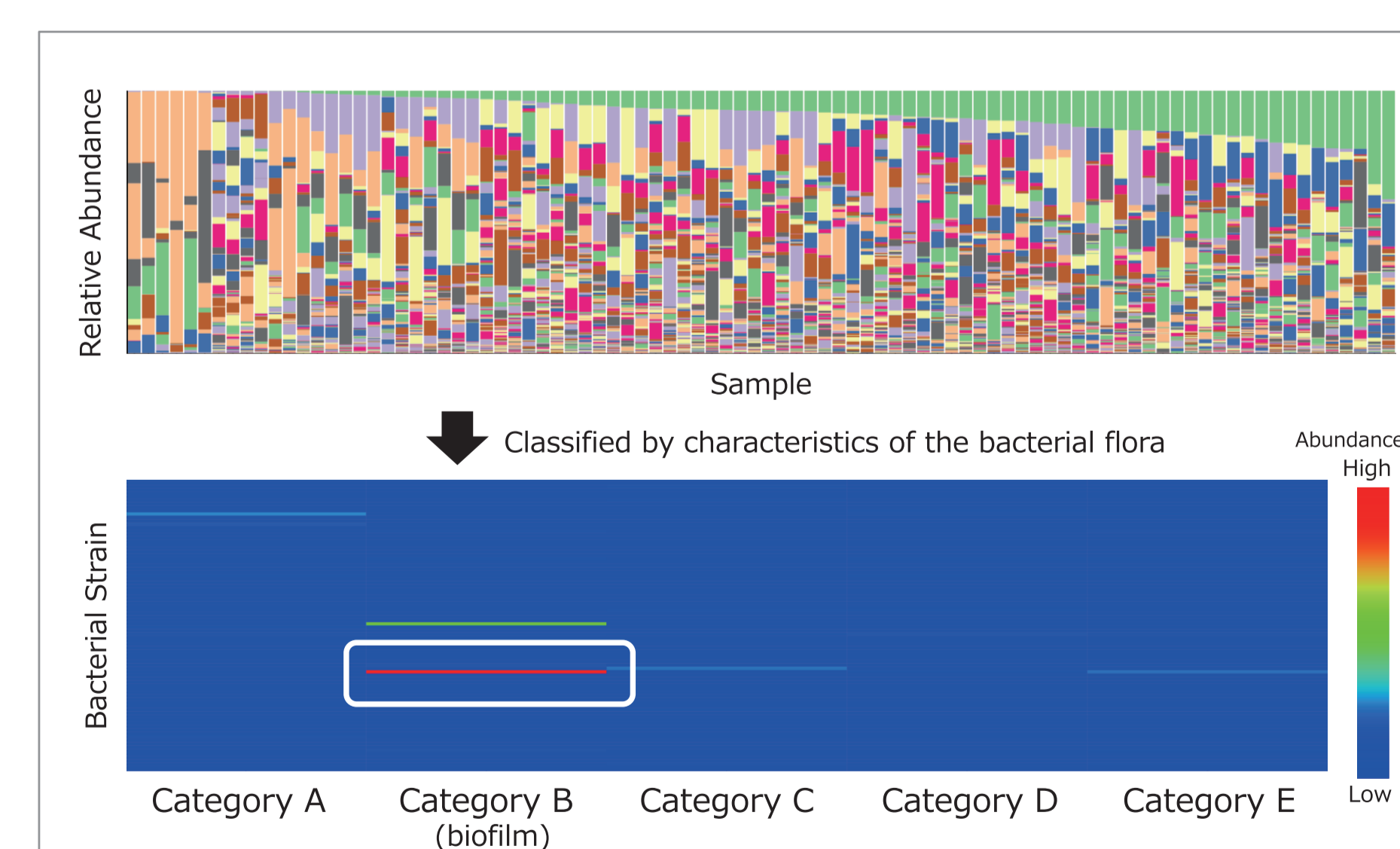
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Appearance of Films Immersed in Seawater for 120 Days



Bacterial Flora Analysis for Mechanism Prediction

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