

# The Leader in **Biodegradability Testing**

Aropha is your trusted partner for biodegradability testing and certification. We are an accredited laboratory focused on delivering excellent customer service and short testing turnaround times for an extensive range of OECD, ISO, and ASTM methods related to biodegradability. **We let you focus on your core competencies and work alongside your team to ensure your product meets your regulatory requirements.** 

# About Us

Being ISO/IEC 17025:2017 certified and Good Laboratory Practice compliant, we are committed to advancing the development process for biodegradable materials by providing rapid, affordable testing. Our team brings together expertise in environmental engineering, water chemistry, biology, data science, automation, and software engineering to set new standards for the way biodegradability testing is done.

# **Our Services**

## **R&D Screening**

We partner with your team either on a test-by-test basis or annual commitment to act as an extension of your development team performing materials screening for a wide range of test methods.

## **Biodegradability Certification**



When it comes to proving your products' biodegradability, we have you covered. We offer many different OECD, ISO, and ASTM methods to provide the certifications you need for your products.

## **Prediction via Al**



Our biodegradability prediction algorithm is the most applicable algorithm in the industry. We draw from over 12,000 data points to accurately predict your materials' biodegradability likelihood.

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# **Our Test Methods**

#### **Freshwater**

| Method     | Description  | Duration        | Certification* | Screening* |
|------------|--|-----------------|----------------|------------|
| OECD 301B  | Ready biodegradability, CO <sub>2</sub> evolution    | 28 days         | \$1,399        | \$699      |
| OECD 301D  | Ready biodegradability, closed bottle                | 28 days         | \$999          | \$499      |
| OECD 301F  | Ready biodegradability, oxygen consumption           | 28 days         | \$999          | \$499      |
| OECD 302B  | Inherent biodegradability, Zahn-Wellens/EMPA         | 28 days         | \$1,599        | \$899      |
| OECD 303A  | Simulated biodegradation, sludge simulation          | 9-12 weeks      | Variable       | Variable   |
| ISO 9408   | Ultimate biodegradability, oxygen consumption        | 28 days         | \$999          | \$499      |
| ISO 9439   | Ultimate biodegradability, CO <sub>2</sub> evolution | 28 days         | \$1,399        | \$699      |
| ISO 9888   | Ultimate biodegradability, static/Zahn-Wellens       | 28 days         | \$1,599        | \$899      |
| ISO 10707  | Ultimate biodegradability, closed bottle             | 28 days         | \$999          | \$499      |
| ISO 11733  | Simulated biodegradation, sludge simulation          | Up to 12 months | Variable       | Variable   |
| ISO 14851  | Ultimate biodegradation, oxygen consumption          | 2-6 months      | \$2,399        | \$1,299    |
| ISO 14852  | Ultimate biodegradation, $CO_2$ evolution            | 2-6 months      | \$2,799        | \$1,499    |
| ASTM D5864 | Lubricant biodegradability, $CO_2$ evolution         | 28 days         | \$1,799        | \$899      |
| ASTM D6731 | Lubricant biodegradability, oxygen consumption       | 28 days         | \$1,399        | \$699      |

### Marine

| Method          | Description  | Duration      | Certification* | Screening* |
|-----------------|--|---------------|----------------|------------|
| OECD 306 (II)   | Seawater biodegradation, closed bottle                         | 28 days       | \$1,399        | \$699      |
| ISO 16221 (II)  | Seawater biodegradation, closed bottle                         | Up to 60 days | \$1,399        | \$699      |
| ISO 16221 (III) | Seawater biodegradation, two-page closed bottle                | Up to 60 days | \$1,399        | \$699      |
| ISO 16221 (IV)  | Seawater biodegradation, CO <sub>2</sub> evolution             | Up to 60 days | \$1,799        | \$999      |
| ISO 23977-1     | Seawater biodegradation of plastics, CO <sub>2</sub> evolution | Up to 2 years | \$3,399        | \$1,699    |
| ISO 23977-2     | Seawater biodegradation of plastics, oxygen consumption        | Up to 2 years | \$3,399        | \$1,699    |
| ASTM D6691      | Seawater biodegradation of plastics                            | Up to 90 days | \$2,599        | \$1,299    |

#### Soil

| Method     | Description                                 | Duration       | Certification* | Screening* |
|------------|---|----------------|----------------|------------|
| ISO 17556  | Ultimate biodegradation of polymers in soil | Up to 6 months | \$2,599        | \$1,299    |
| ASTM D5988 | Ultimate biodegradation of polymers in soil | Up to 6 months | \$4,599        | \$2,299    |

#### Composting

| Method     | Description                | Duration       | Certification* | Screening* |
|------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|
| ISO 14855  | Composting                 | 1.5-6 months   | \$4,399        | \$2,399    |
| ISO 20200  | Disintegration of plastics | Up to 12 weeks | \$3,299        | \$1,899    |
| ASTM D5338 | Composting                 | 1.5-6 months   | \$6,799        | \$3,599    |
| ASTM D6400 | Plastics labeling          | Up to 6 months | \$12,899       | \$7,499    |

#### **Anaerobic Biodegradation**

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| Method     | Description                                     | Duration      | Certification* | Screening* |
|------------|---|---------------|----------------|------------|
| 0ECD 311   | Anaerobic biodegradability of organic compounds | Up to 60 days | \$2,399        | \$1,299    |
| ASTM D5511 | Anaerobic biodegradability of plastics          | 15-30 days    | \$3,199        | \$1,799    |

#### **Toxicity**

| Method   | Description                | Duration   | Certification* | Screening* |
|----------|----------------------------|------------|----------------|------------|
| OECD 208 | Plant toxicity             | 14-21 days | \$2,599        | \$1,599    |
| OECD 209 | Toxicity to microorganisms | 1 day      | \$699          | \$599      |

#### **Other Analyses**

| Method                 | Description        | Duration | Certification* | Screening* |
|------------------------|--------------------|----------|----------------|------------|
| OECD 120               | Solubility testing | 2-3 days | \$399          | \$399      |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand | -                  | 1 day    | \$50           | \$50       |
| Organic Carbon (C%)    | -                  | 10 days  | \$110          | \$110      |

\*Pricing based on a pay-per-test basis

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