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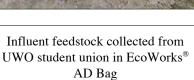
## Cortec® EcoWorks® AD: Biobased Film That's Environmentally Friendly From Beginning To End.



Cortec® Corporation, a global leader in eco-friendly materials protection technologies, introduces EcoWorks® AD, biobased film and bags for the compost and anaerobic digestion markets. After years of development by Cortec's extrusion plants in Cambridge, MN and Beli Manastir, Croatia, EcoWorks® AD offers a combination of environmental and performance advantages that other films have yet to provide; heat, moisture, and chemical resistant. Cortec® EcoWorks® AD bags are constructed from the latest biobased polymer containing 77% biobased content and are designed to biodegrade in anaerobic digestion, natural soil, marine or water environments, backyard composting systems, and municipal composting facilities. In anaerobic digestion (AD) the film breaks down in as little as 15 days.

EcoWorks<sup>®</sup> AD is ideal for disposal in natural, commercial or backyard composting, but it is the only film also proven to degrade in anaerobic digestion (AD) systems as per ASTM D5511 testing standards. The film has a wide range of uses, from retail packaging to agricultural films, but where EcoWorks® AD really shines is in community composting programs, organic waste diversion, and anaerobic digestion programs. The University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, USA (UWO) is testing Cortec's EcoWorks<sup>®</sup> AD biobased bags at their anaerobic biodigester facility to measure the potential for converting compostable waste to fuel. Based on preliminary testing since this spring, Cortec's EcoWorks® AD bags are passing the expectations of the tests.







Bag was left intact and remained knotted for 28 days.



Close-up of digestate after the 28 days. White specs in the photo identified as mold.

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