# Microalgae Production From Lab to Science to Pilot to Industry

#### Biopharmia AS

From NOK 100 Thousand to NOK 250 Mill in 4 Years

#### **CEO Roald Audun Flo**



### The Grand Challanges Can Biotechnology be the Solution?

#### Climate

- Sustainable industry production (white biotech)
   Food production (green/blue biotech)
- Feed production (agriculture/aquaculture)

#### Energy

- Bioenergy
- Biofuel

#### Health

Aging population

Healthy (and enough) food (green/blue biotech)

#### Biopharmia AS

- Biopharmia is mainly a Microalgae based Biotehcnology company, but also involved in Microbiology, Pharmasy, Nutraceuticals, Health, Food, Cosmetics, Medicine
- Biopharmia USA, Inc., Tucson, Arizona, USA
- Biopharmia`s estimated market value is NOK 250 mill.
- No loan No debt No grants
- Own the exclusive worldwide Patent Rights for Accordion PhotoBioreactor, and Extraction of Phosphorous from rocks

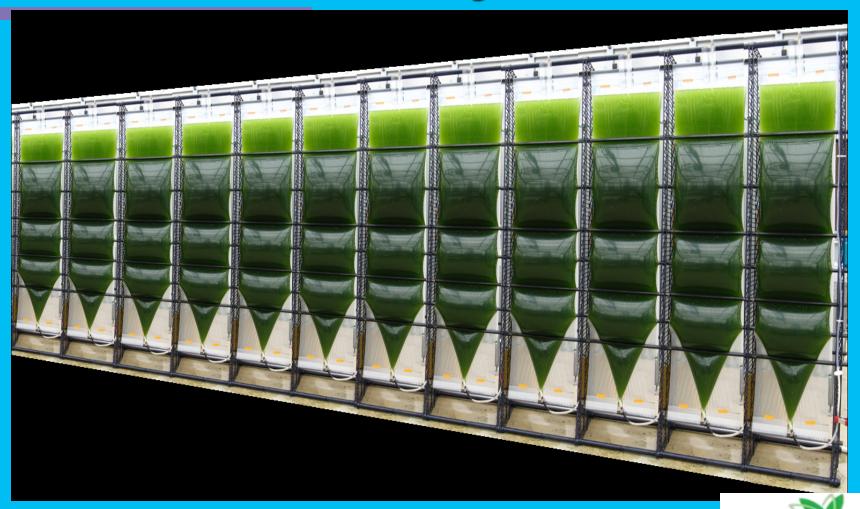




Biopharmia`s Production and R&D Facilities



#### Accordion Commercial Algae Production

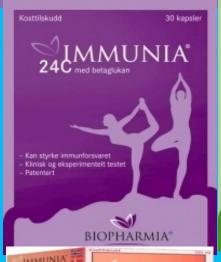


### Biopharmia`s Designed Production, R&D and Pilot Plant





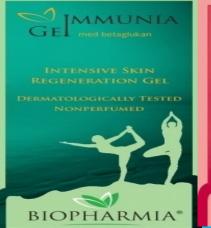
#### Biopharmia Pharmacy, Health and Cosmetics The Immunia Patented Beta Glucan Products



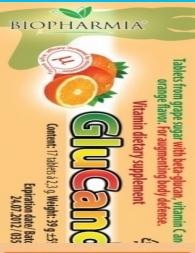










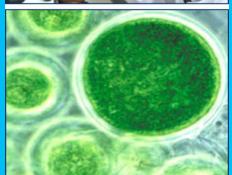






#### Biopharmia - Microalgae Extensive Scientific Laboratory Scale R&D









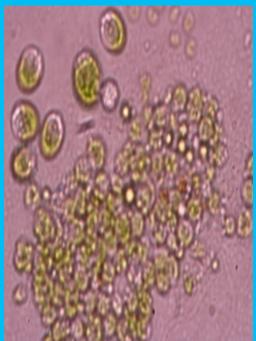




#### Microalgae collected near the Chilean Antarctic Base Bernardo O'Higgins in Antarctica (UA - Biopharmia)









#### Why Microalgae?

- Microalgae are the natural food for all life on Earth
- Microalgae; The best natural and sustainable enrichment source needed for human, fish and animals, containing proteins, carbohydrates, lipids, vitamins, minerals, astaxanthin, antioxcidants, all amino acids, etc.
- Microalgae are an unlimited resource, and the <u>original</u> source for omega-3, etc.



#### Ocean Biomasses

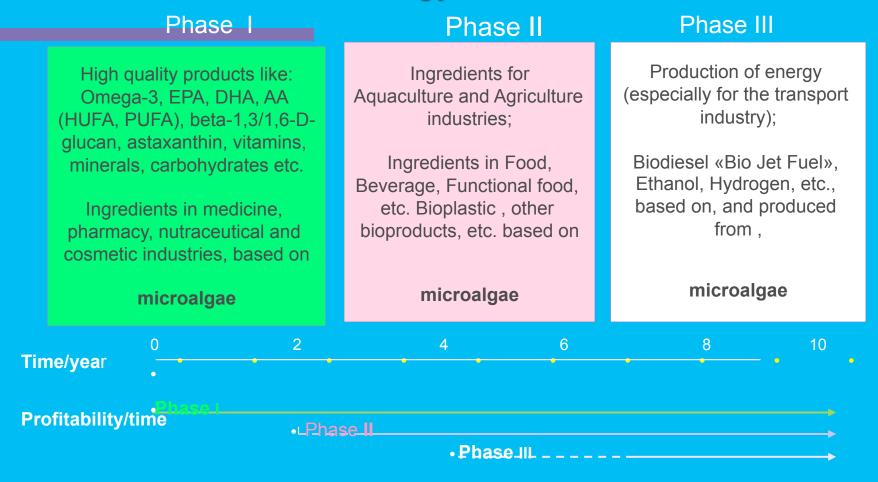
- Phytoplankton Microalgae 94,5 % (100 bill. tons)
- Zooplankton 4,5 % (5 bill .tons)
- Global Fishery Resources 0,9 % ( 1 bill. tons)
- Norwegian Fishery Resources 0,1 % (40 mill. tons)
- (Source: Field er al. (1998): Science, vol 281. Longhurst et al. (1995) J.
   Plankt Res, vol 17)



#### Microalgae Species

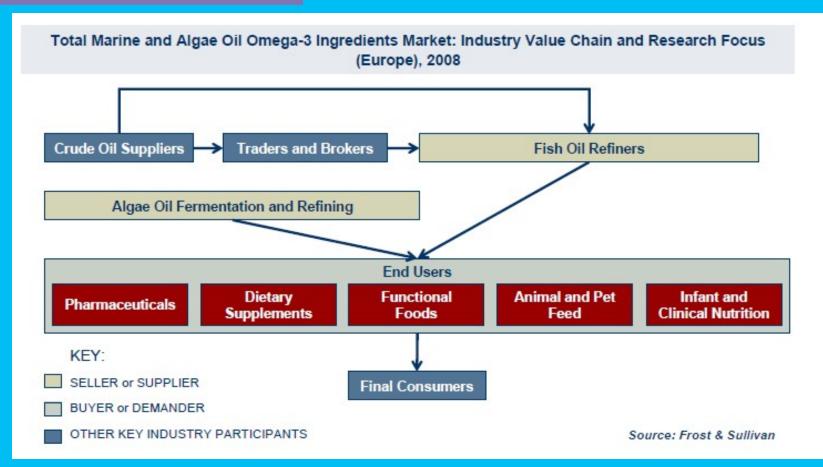
- 40.000 known species
- Only a few thousands are in collections
- Only a few hundreds have been researched for chemical content, and only a <u>handful</u> have been grown for industrial purposes
- The real number of microalage are estimated to 5 –
   10 millions
- Huge potential for Algae Research!
- (Olaozola 2003, EMBO Reports 21, 462-464, Steininger 1996, Kleine Senckenberg-Reihe 22, 55 Seiten, Biomolecular Engineering 20, 459-466 & Mooore 2001)

# Biopharmia Business Strategy - Time - Markets





#### Market Strategies for Algae Products





# Markets in the Bio-/Life Sciences economies













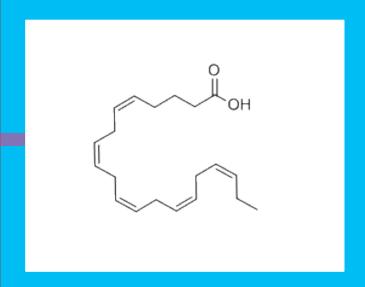






#### Medicine – Pharmacy – Nutraceuticals – Infant Nutrition from Microalgae

#### Eicosapentaenoic Acid (EPA, 20:5n3)









### Cosmetic Products from Microalgae











#### Aquaculture





#### **Agriculture**







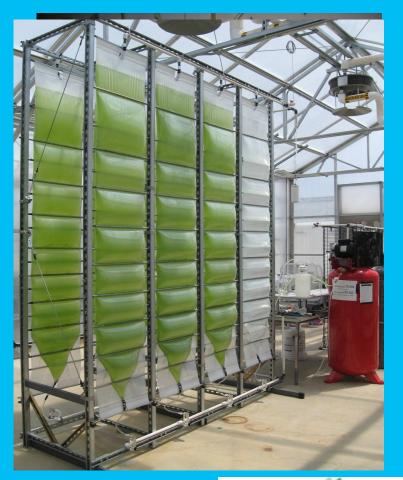




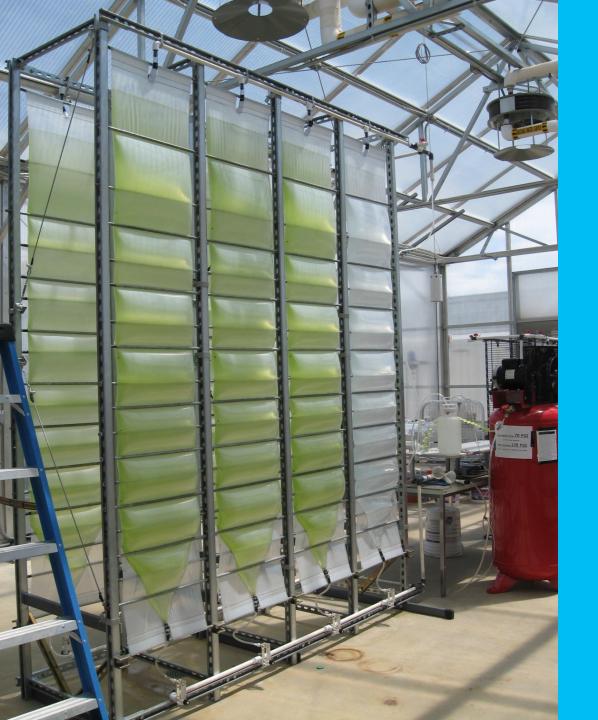
## The Patented Accordion Photobioreactor – The *Novel* Technology

### A vertical series of angled flat plates

Low-cost Simple design Simple maintenance Lower power requirement Adjustable light incidence Adjustable flow Modular Ease of scale up Ease of harvesting **Space Saver** 







### Accordion Patented Photobioreactor

Production of 1 kg algae biomass, require 2 kg CO2





### Accordion Phototrophic and Heterotrophic Production







Heterotrophic















## Microalgae Dry Weight, Lipid & Paste Produced by Accordion







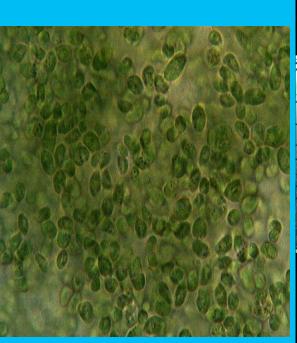


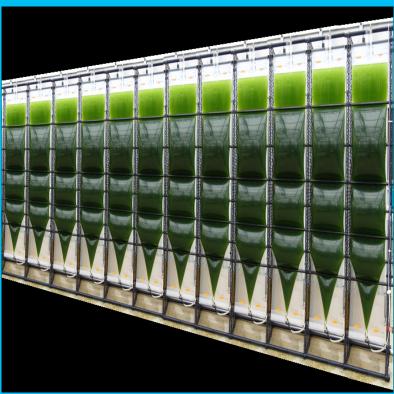
## Accordion nominated NO 1 in an international study by Heriot Watt University





# The Accordion Photobioreactor with documented lower Capex, Opex and higher productivity, compared with other PBR Technologies



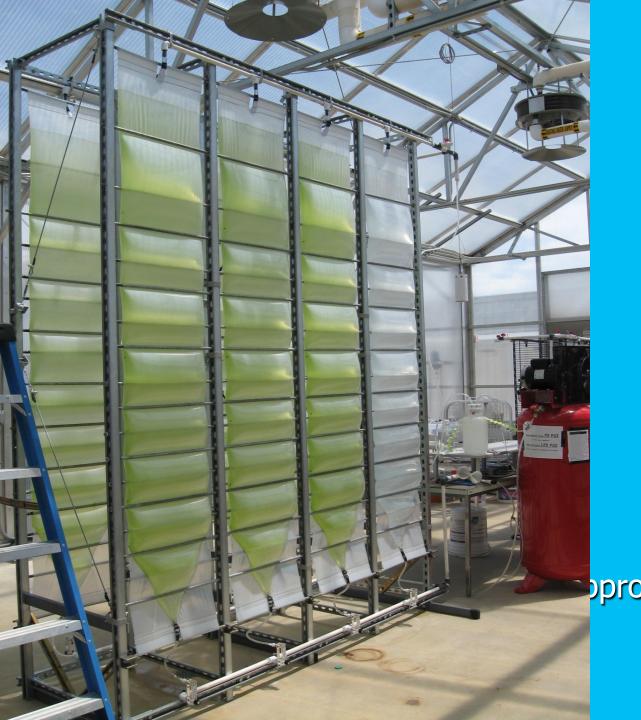






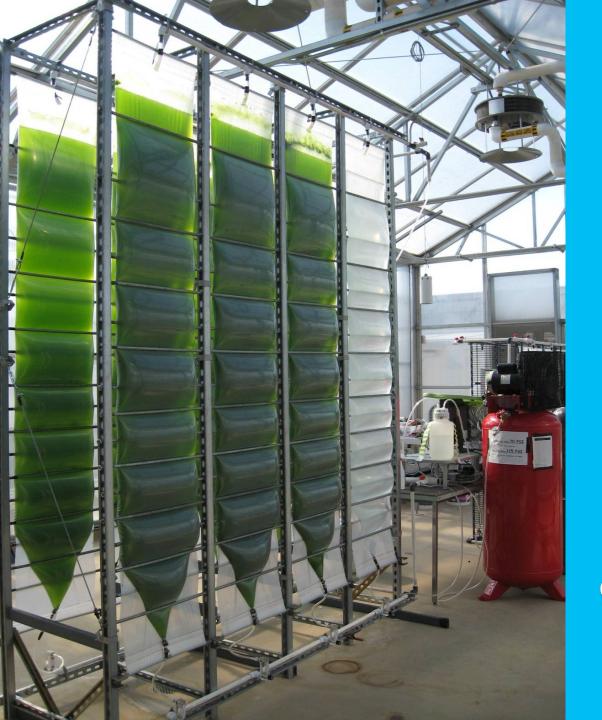






Day 1: oprox. 24 hours of growth in Accordion

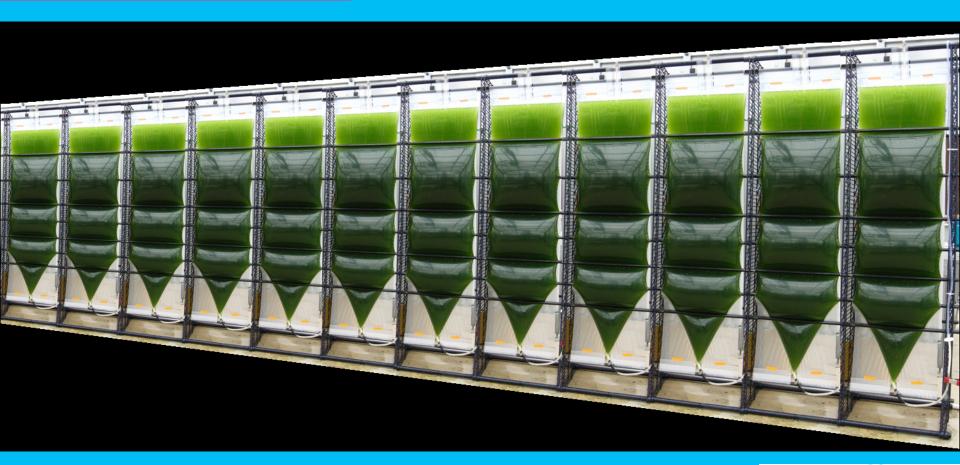




Day 6:
Approx. 144 hours of growth in Accordion - Ready for harvesting

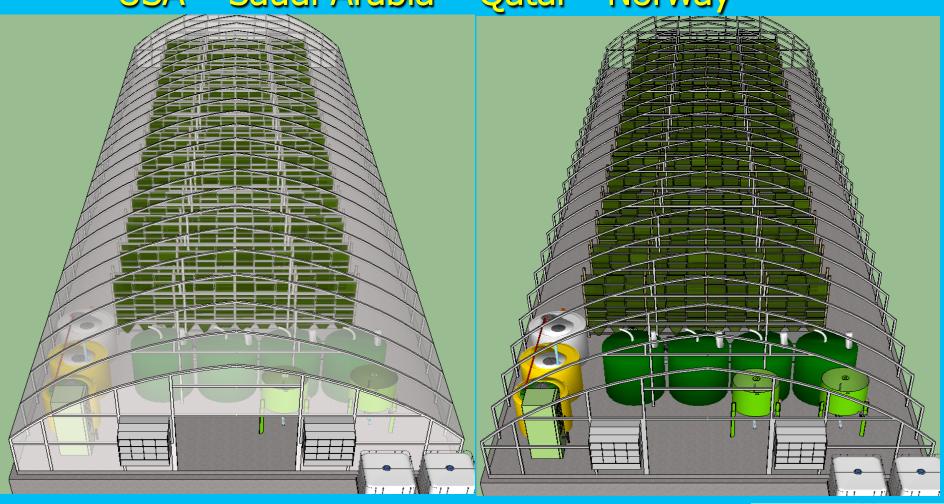


# Accordion Industrial Production Scale of Microalgae





Biopharmia`s Production and R&D Facilities in USA – Saudi Arabia – Qatar - Norway



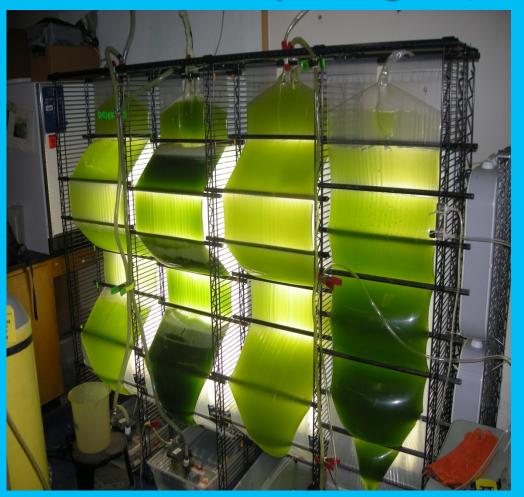








# Accordion Pilot at University of Agder, Norway



Production of omega3

DHA/EPA and H2

3 students at UiA earned their BAdegrees at University of Arizona based on Accordion

Sponsored by Biopharmia

# Accordion Algae Production in Greenhouse - Norway





### Partners in Florida – Texas – Arizona – California – USA



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#### Biopharmia "The *Nature* 's *Wisdom*"

"We are not taking over The Earth from our forefathers — We are borrowing it from our children"

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