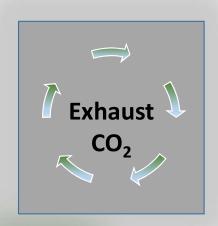


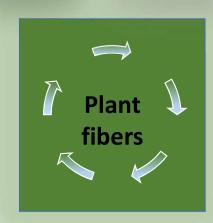
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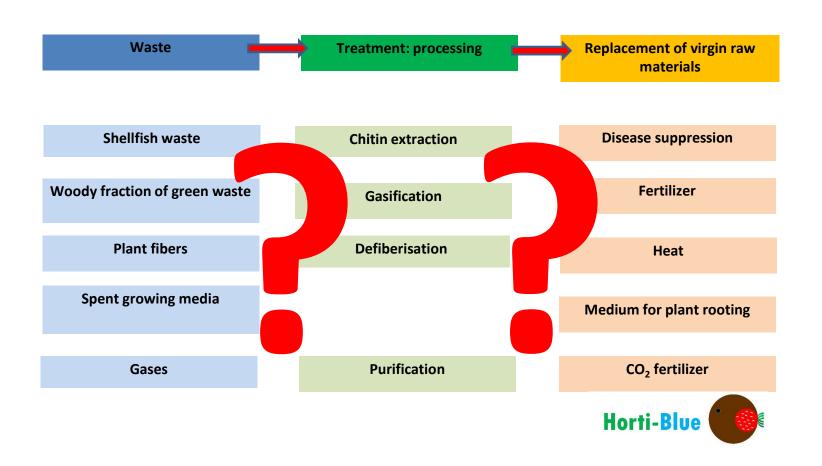


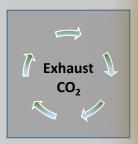






Solution: upcycling with optimized technique for replacement of virgin raw materials









VC1: Large scale gasification, CO₂ reduction & biochar production



VC2-Production of chitin from shrimp shells



VC3-Spent Growing Media: direct reuse versus feedstock for biochar





VC4-Bulk replacement in growing media



Reuse of spent organic growing media

Direct use as a soil improver

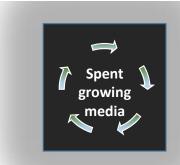
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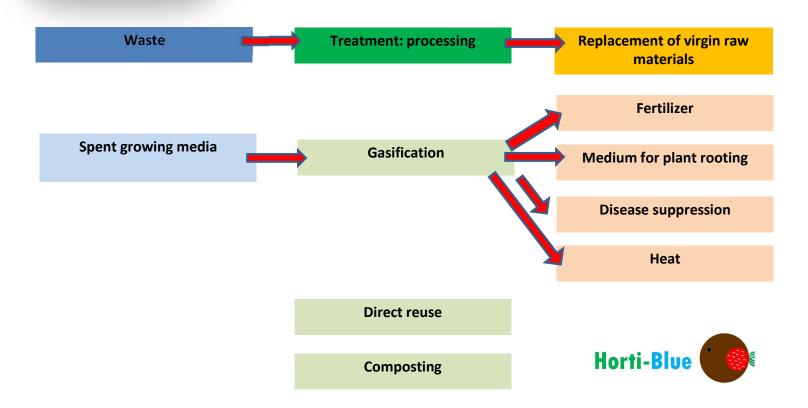
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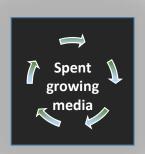
Feedstock for biochar production

The reuse scenario will affect the fate of nutrients and carbon in spent growing media









VC3-Spent Growing Media: direct reuse versus feedstock for biochar

Baseline scenario:

- Disposal
- Direct soil application

New scenario:

- Direct reuse of spent coir
- Composting: use as bulking agent
- Gasification for nutrient recuperation:
 - small scale application (in the greenhouse)?
 - energy production is not the focus
 - Other revenues needed than energy. Waste processing?
 - Reuse of biochar as fertilizer



Compost and biochar: added value in sustainable growing media

