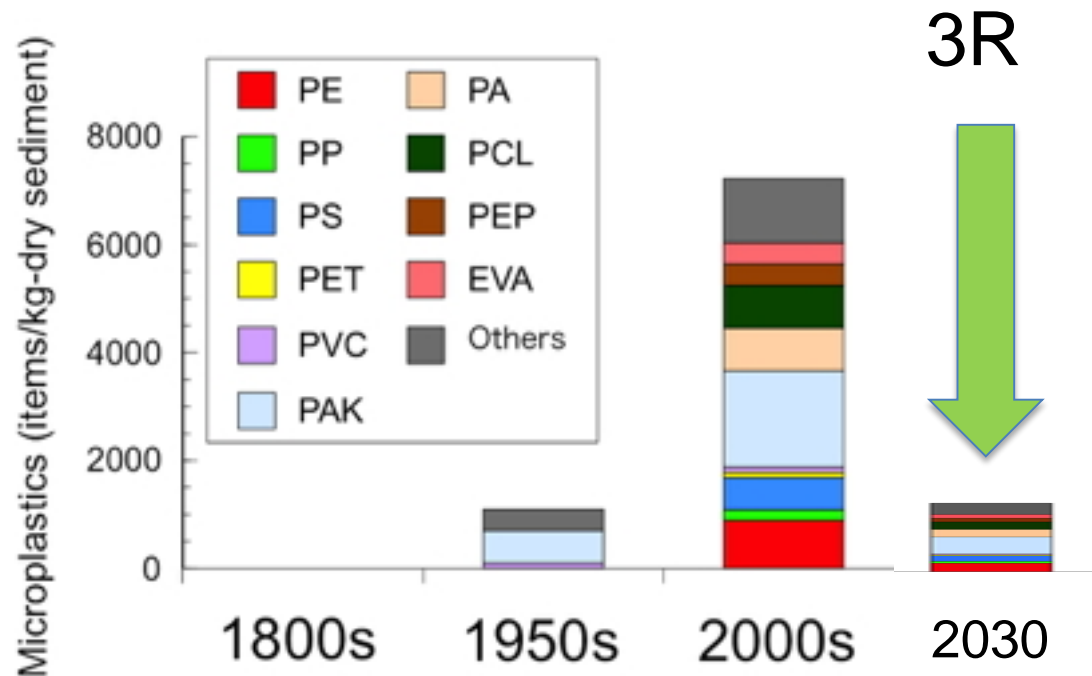


Issue of microplastics in the coastal and marine environment and 3R solutions



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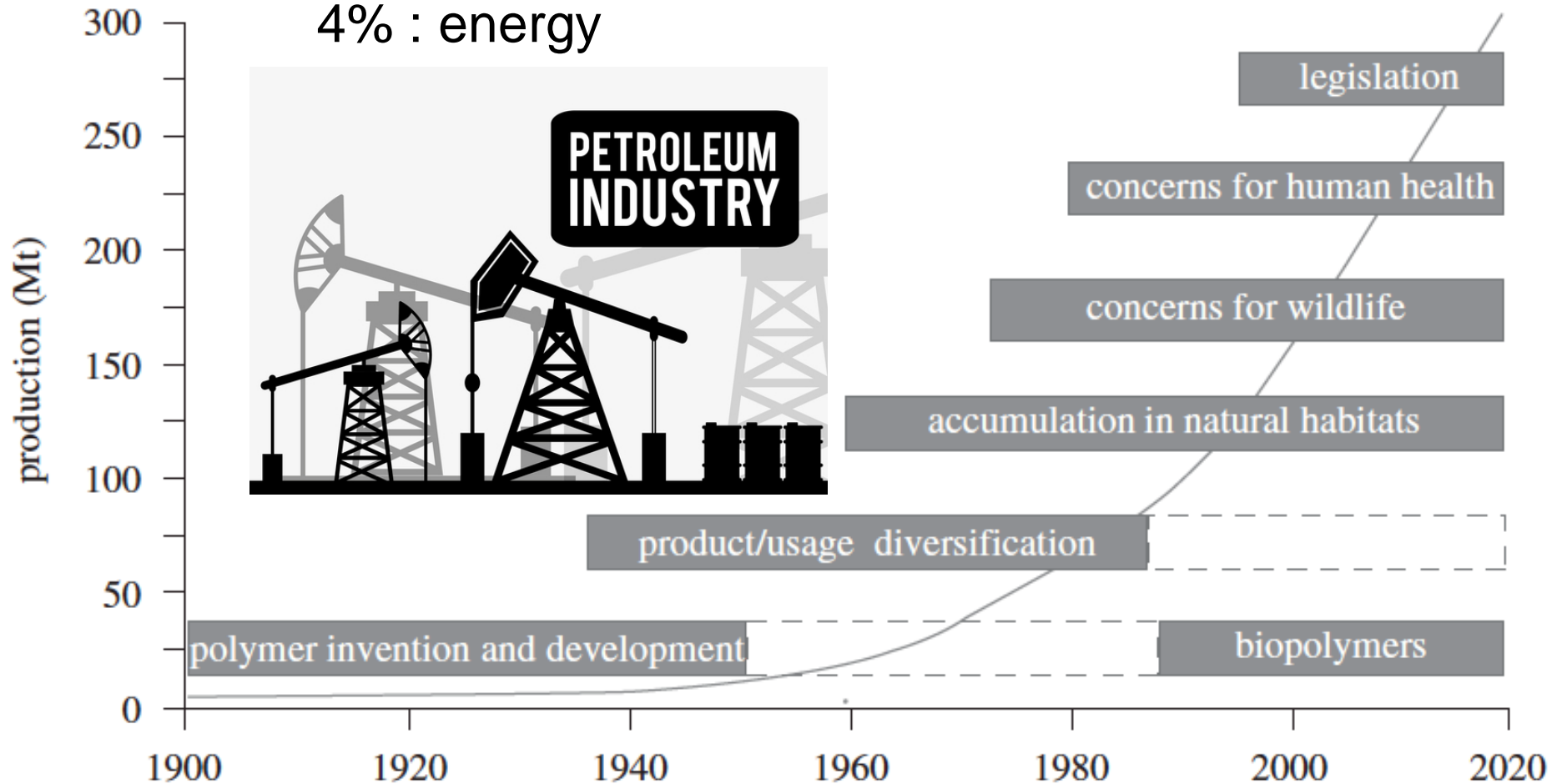
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Continuous increase in plastic production

8% of global oil production

4% : raw material

4% : energy



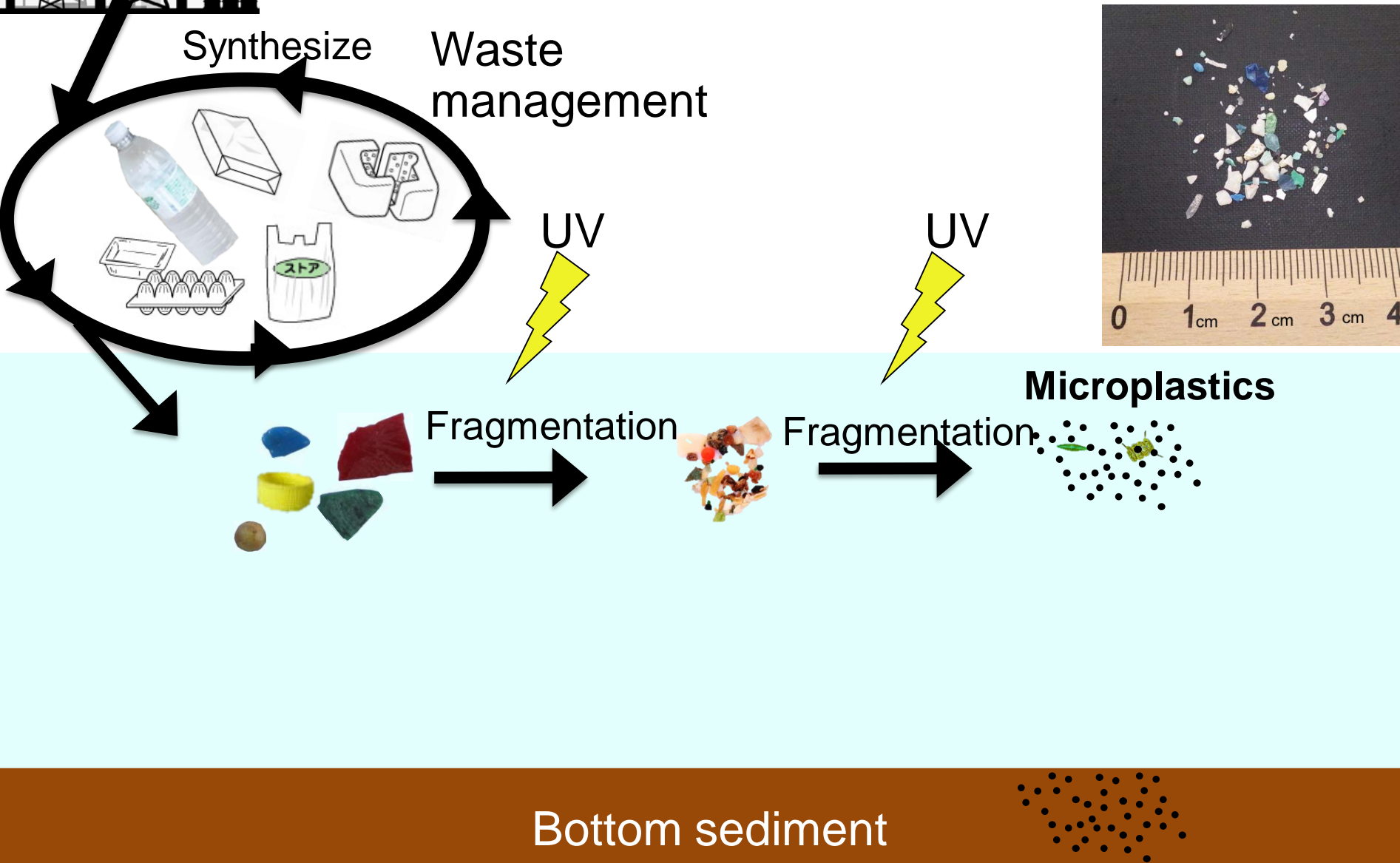
1933: Production of Polyethylene started.

Thompson et al., 2009

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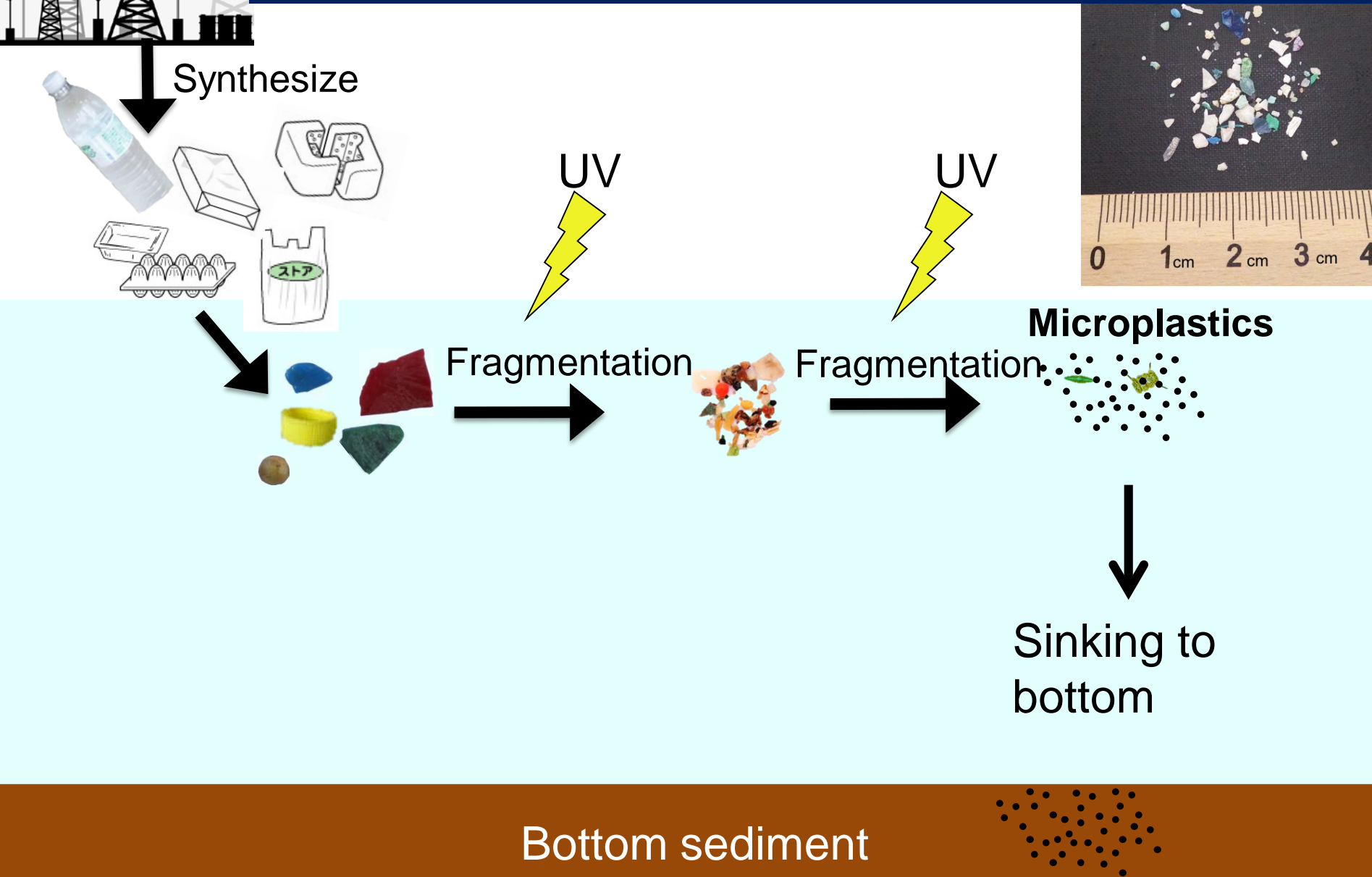
Plastics are fragmented into microplastics



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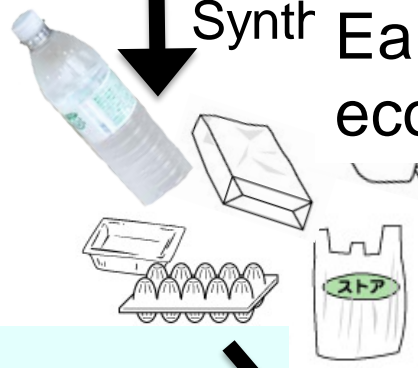
A portion of microplastics is settled to sea floor and stored in bottom sediment



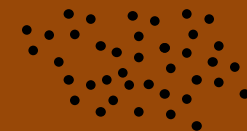
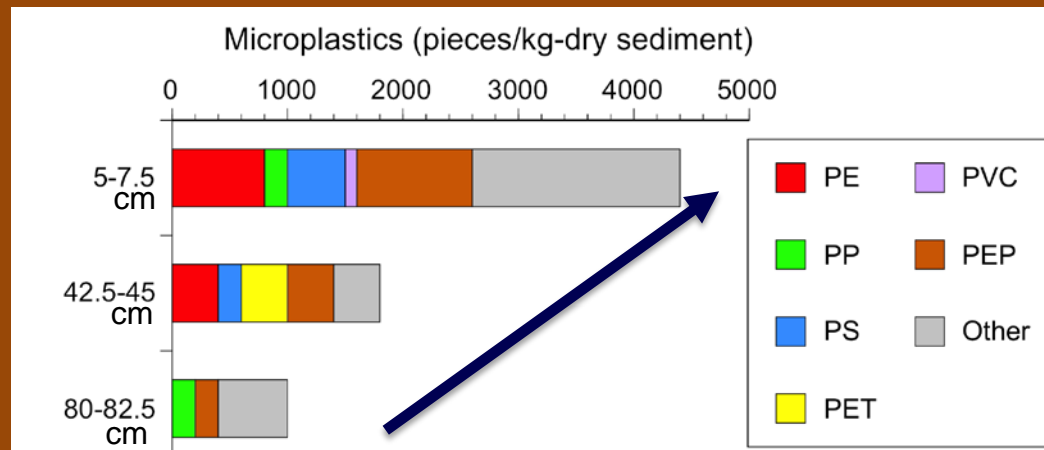
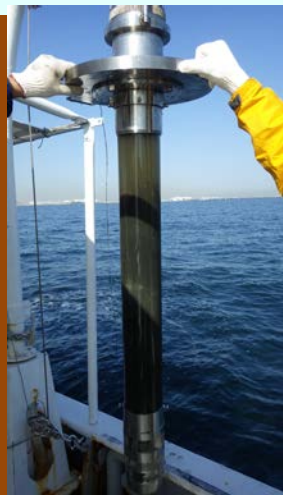
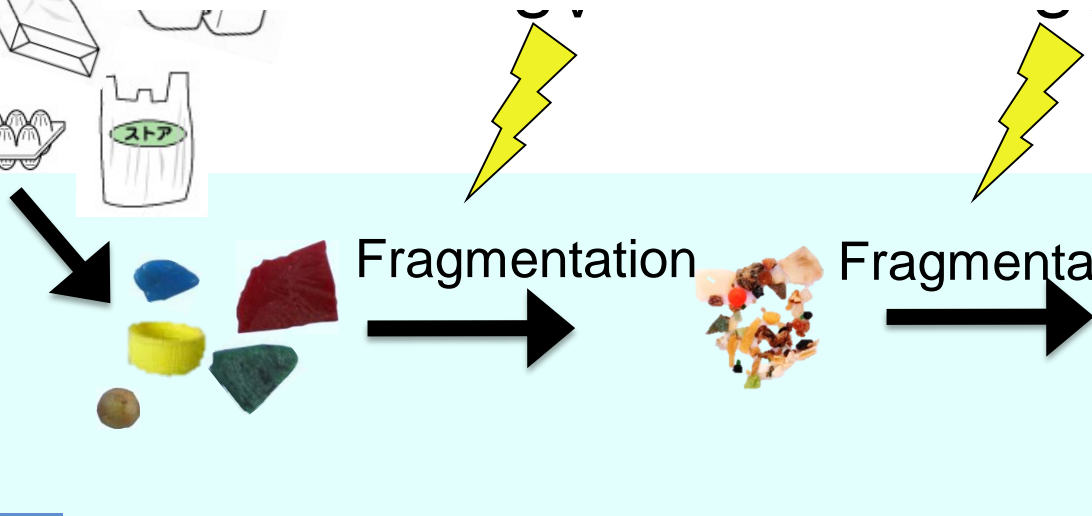
Increasing trend : Microplastic pollution is getting serious



Anthropocene : an epoch when human activities significantly impacted Earth's geology, atmosphere, and ecosystems



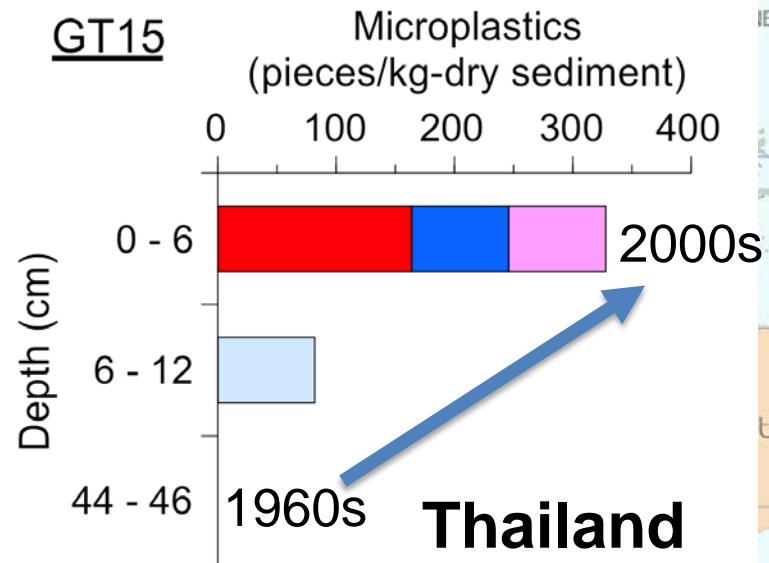
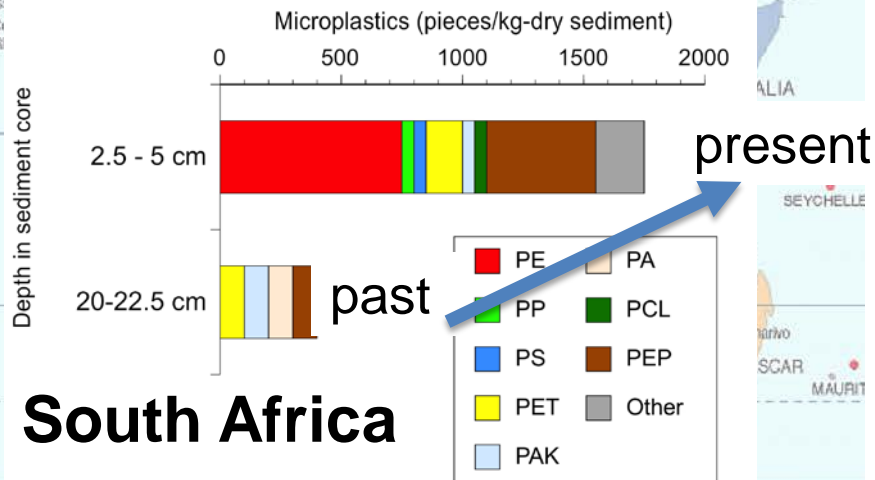
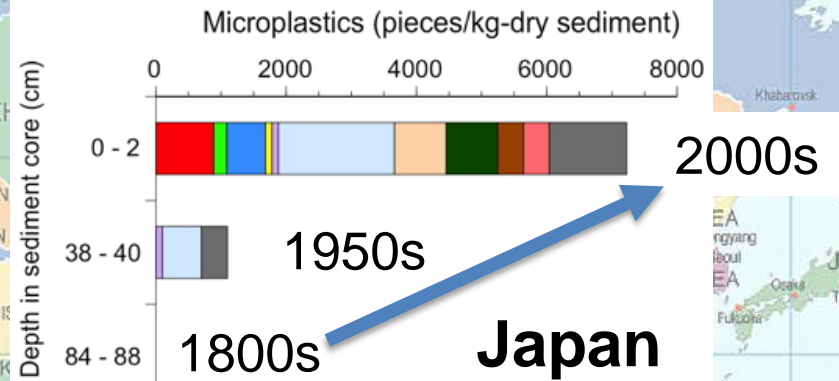
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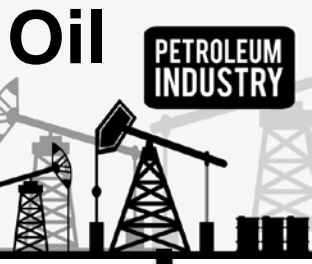


Cosmopolitan phenomena : increasing trend in microplastics in sediment cores from Asian and African waters

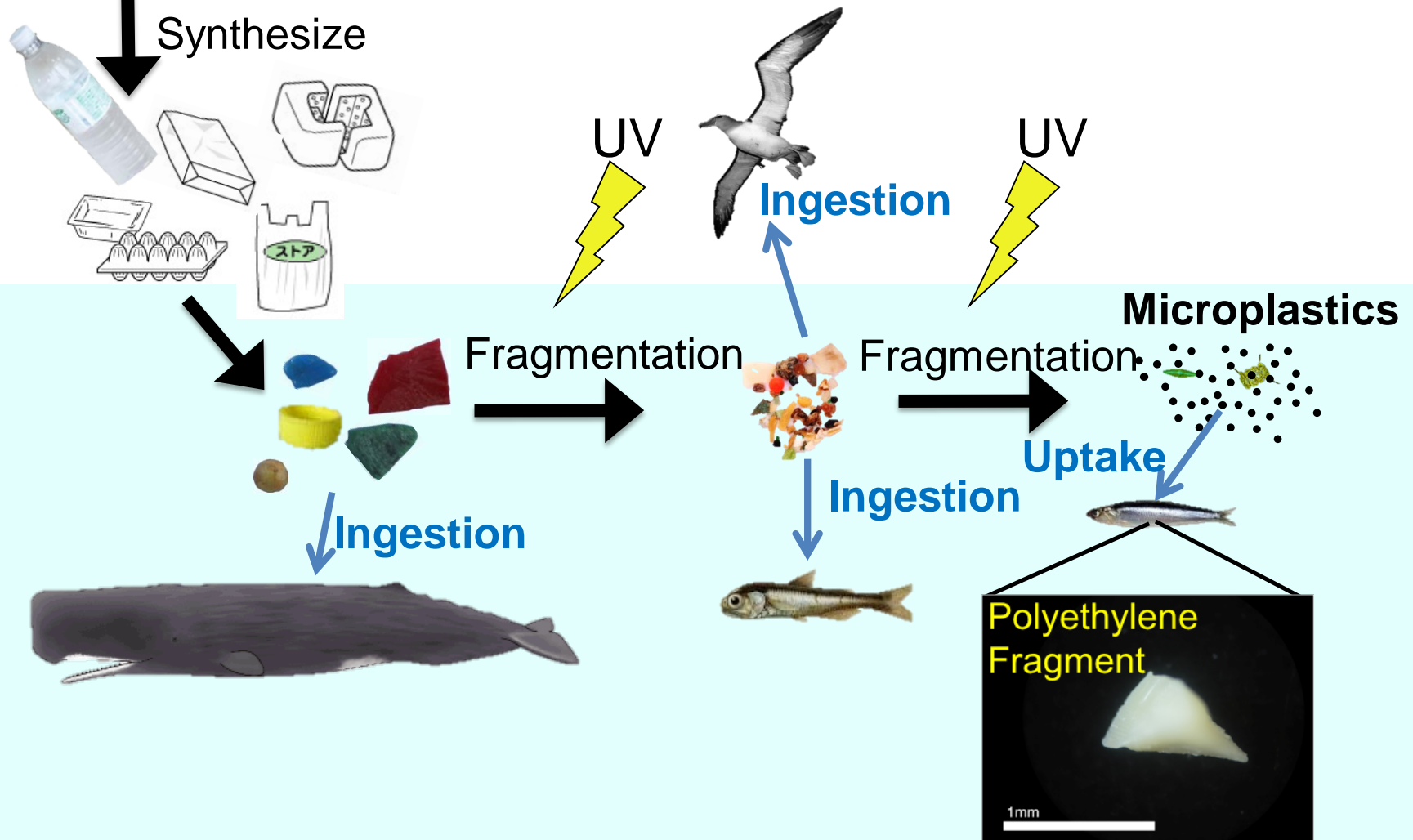
Vertical profiles of microplastics in sediment cores from Asian and African waters.

After Matsuguma et al. (2017)
Archives of Environ. Contam. Toxicol.





Various sizes of marine plastics are ingested by various sizes of marine organisms



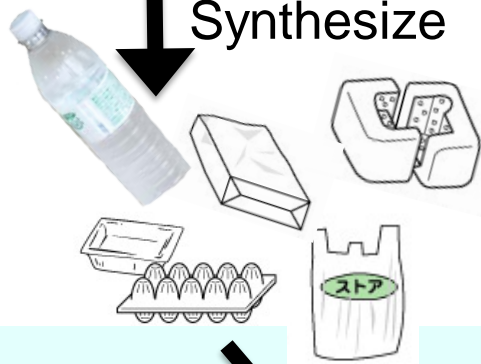
Plastics in fish digestive tract

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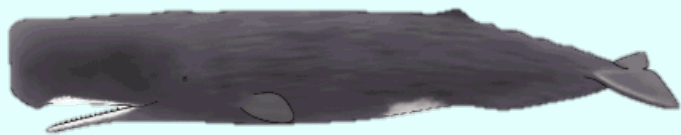
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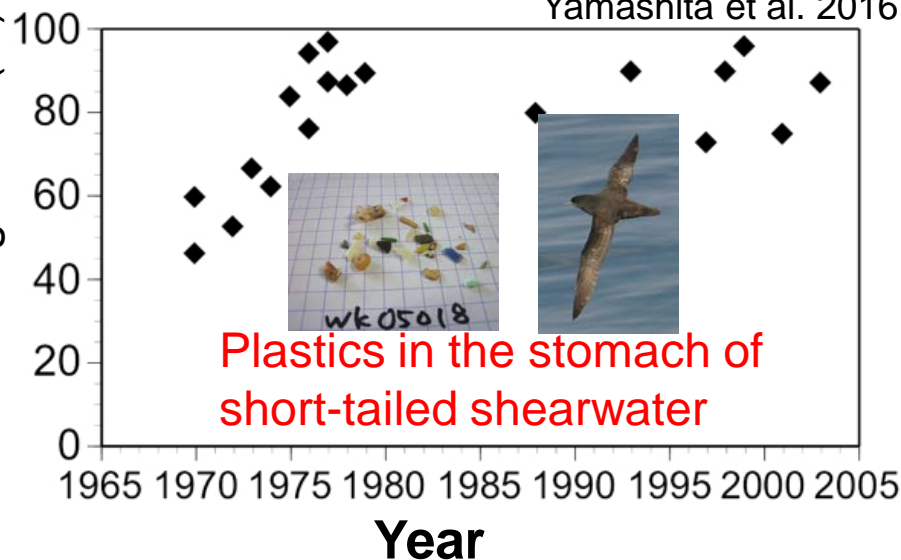
UV

Fragmentation

Ingestion



Plastic Ingestion (%)



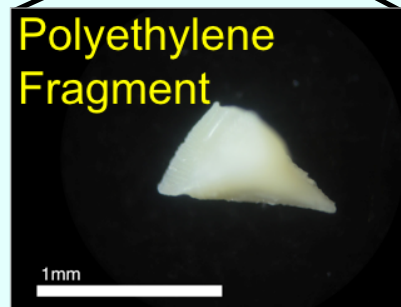
Fragmentation

Ingestion



Uptake

Polyethylene
Fragment



Plastics in fish digestive tract

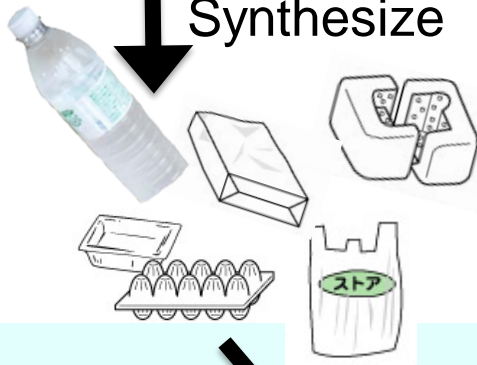
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Microplastics are ingested by fish and shellfish



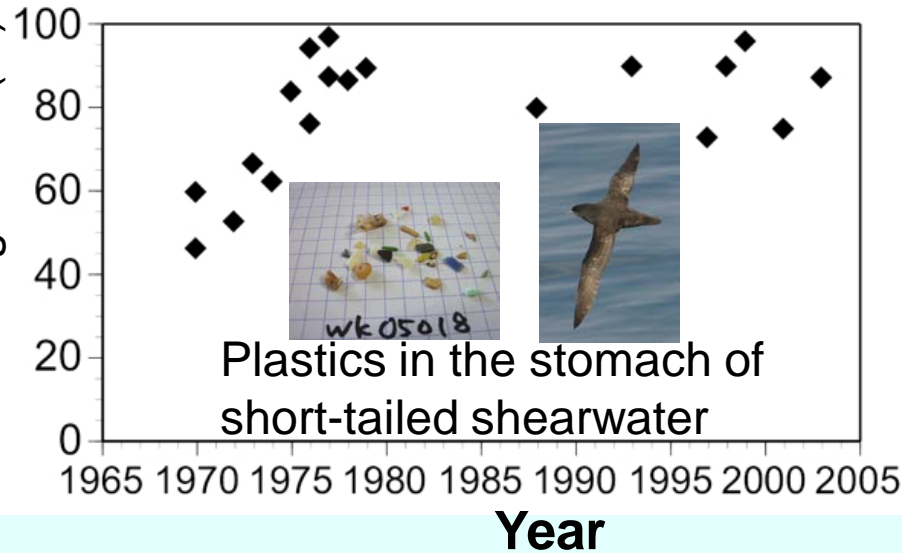
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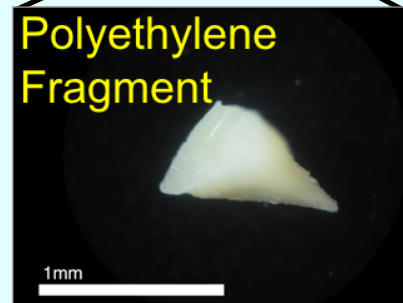
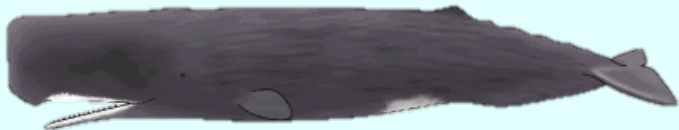
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Plastics in fish digestive tract

Plastic fragments were dominant over fiber and beads among the microplastics in digestive tracts of **anchovy**



80 % of Anchovy contain plastics

(a)

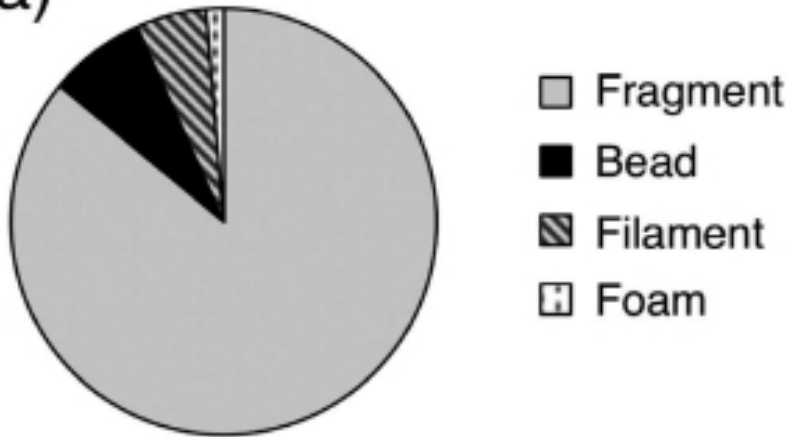


Figure 3. Types of plastics recovered from digestive
(a) Percentage by shape. (b) Percentage by polymer.

Polyethylene
fragment

1mm

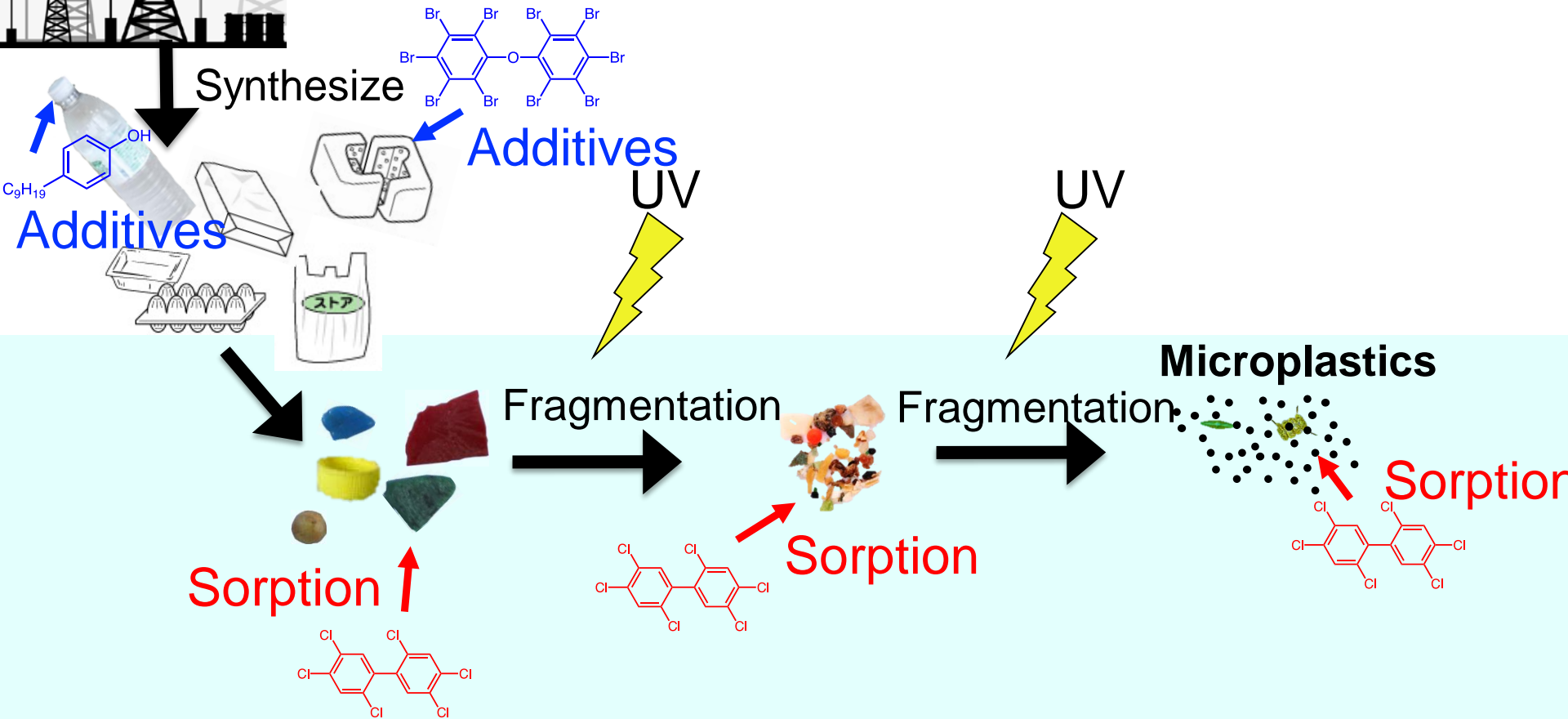
Polypropylene
fragment

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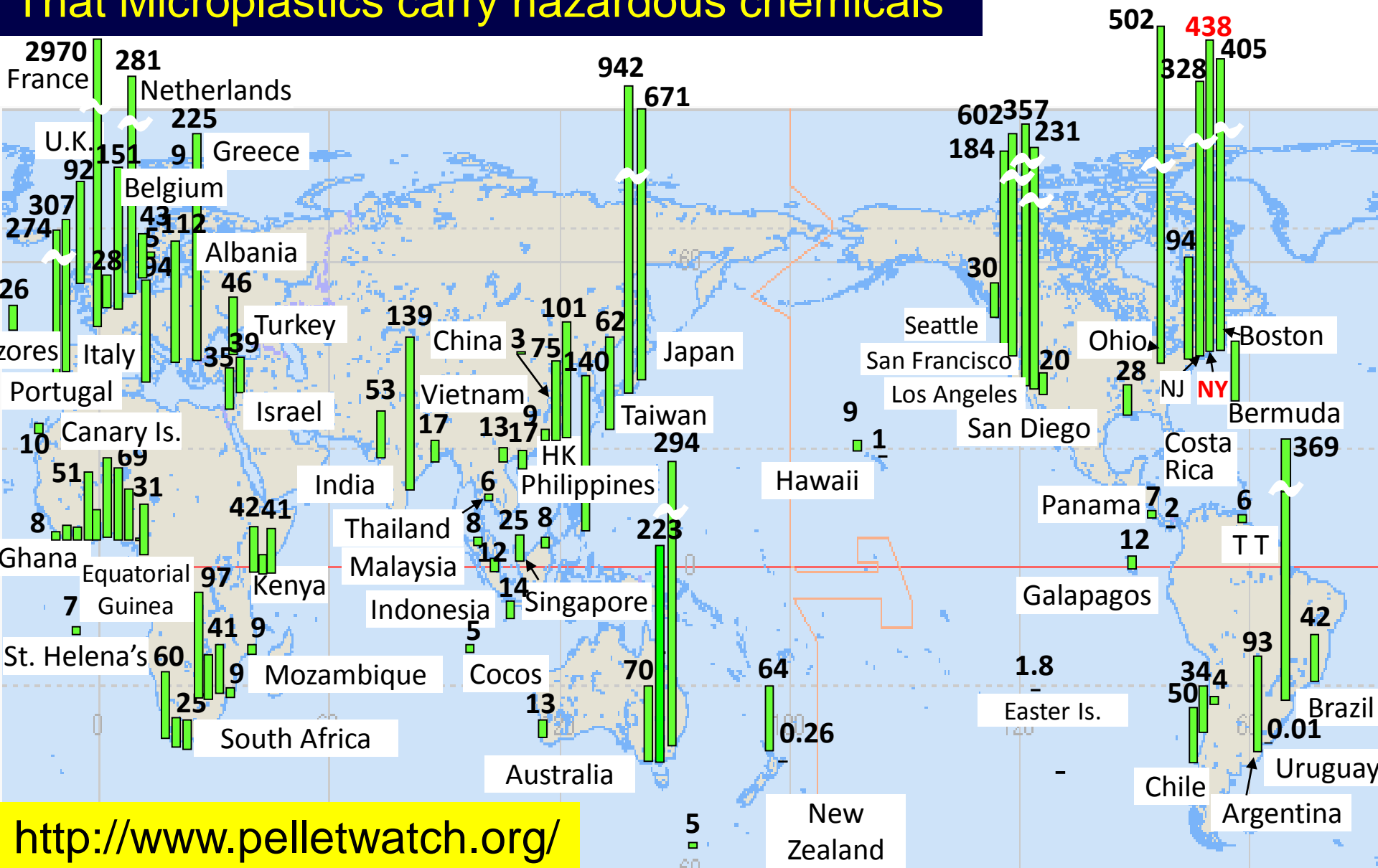
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Plastics bring toxic chemicals to ecosystem



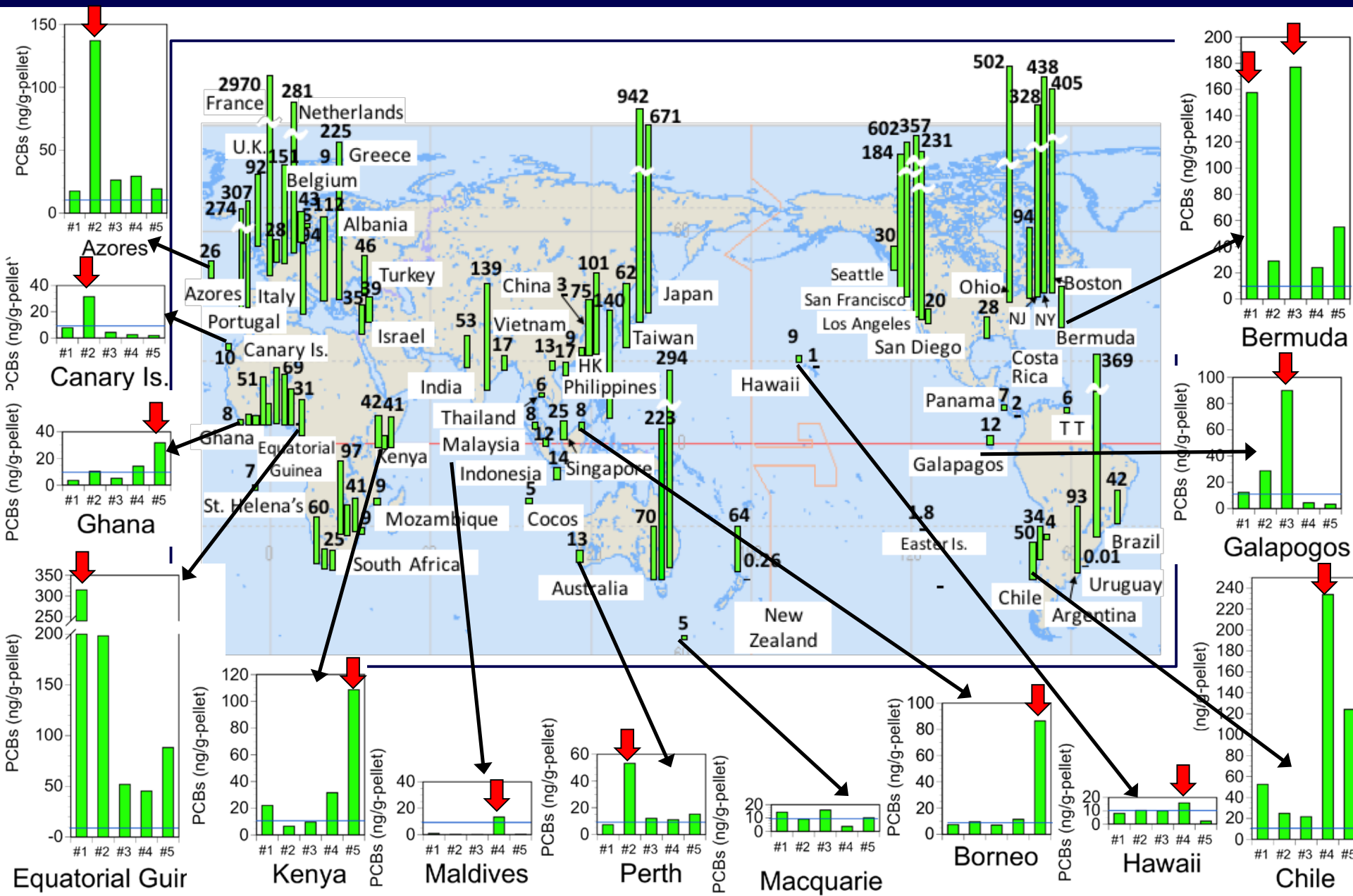
International Pellet Watch demonstrates That Microplastics carry hazardous chemicals



<http://www.pelletwatch.org/>

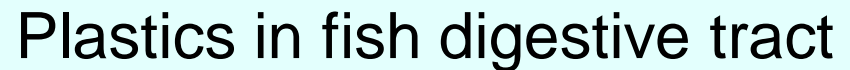
PCBs concentrations in beached plastic pellets (ng/g)

Sporadic high concentrations of PCBs found in pellets from remote areas :
Microplastics carry contaminants to remote areas



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Laboratory experiments suggest adverse effects of plastic-derived chemicals on aquatic organisms


Facilitated Leaching of Additive-Derived PBDEs from Plastics into Seabirds' Stomach Oil and Accumulation in Tissues

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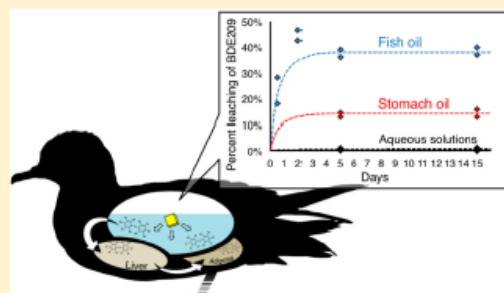
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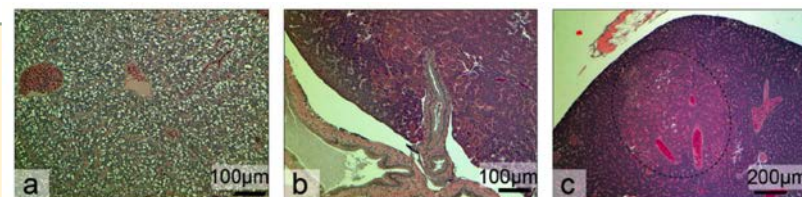
 Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Our previous study suggested the transfer of polybrominated diphenyl ether (PBDE) flame retardants from ingested plastics to seabirds' tissues. To understand how the PBDEs are transferred, we studied leaching from plastics into digestive fluids. We hypothesized that stomach oil, which is present in the digestive tract of birds in the order Procellariiformes, acts as an organic solvent, facilitating the leaching of hydrophobic chemicals. Pieces of plastic compounded with deca-BDE were soaked in several leaching solutions. Trace amounts were leached into distilled water, seawater, and acidic pepsin solution. In contrast, over 20 times as much material was leached into stomach oil, and over 50



Ingested plastic transfers hazardous chemicals to fish and induces hepatic stress

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Oyster reproduction is affected by exposure to polystyrene microplastics

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Microplastic Moves Pollutants and Additives to Worms, Reducing Functions Linked to Health and Biodiversity

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
Animals from sedimentary plastic can accumulate concentrations of plastic-derived chemicals times greater than those in the surrounding environment

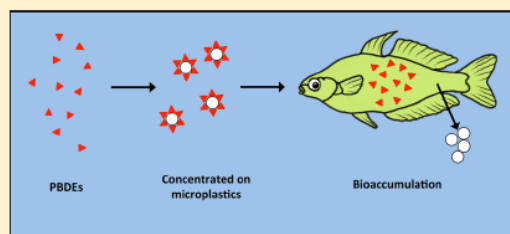
Chemical Pollutants Sorbed to Ingested Microbeads from Personal Care Products Accumulate in Fish

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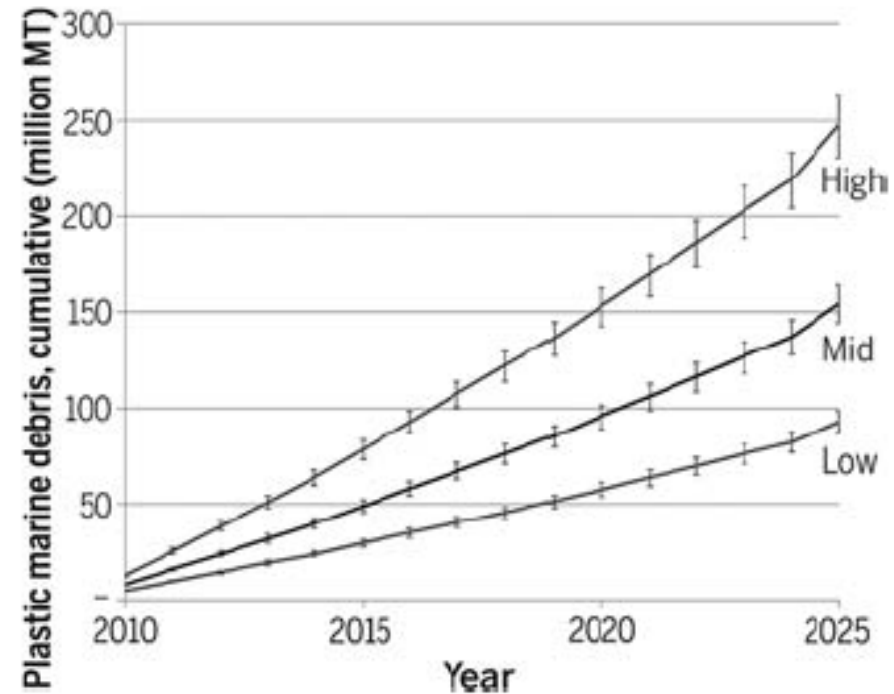
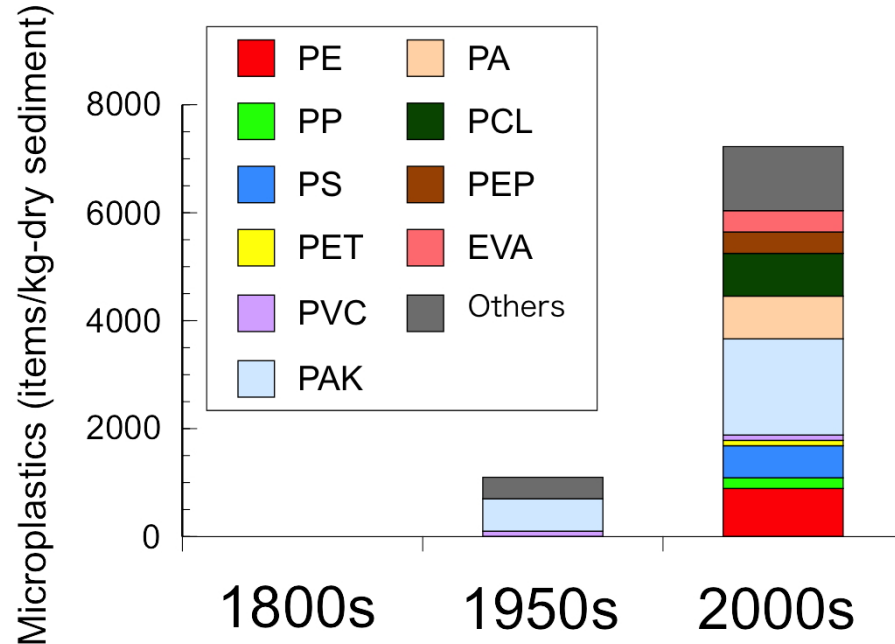
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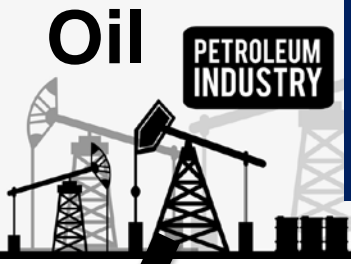


Plastic pollution has been getting serious
Plastic waste inputs to the sea will increase by a factor of 10
in coming 20 years, if no action will be taken.

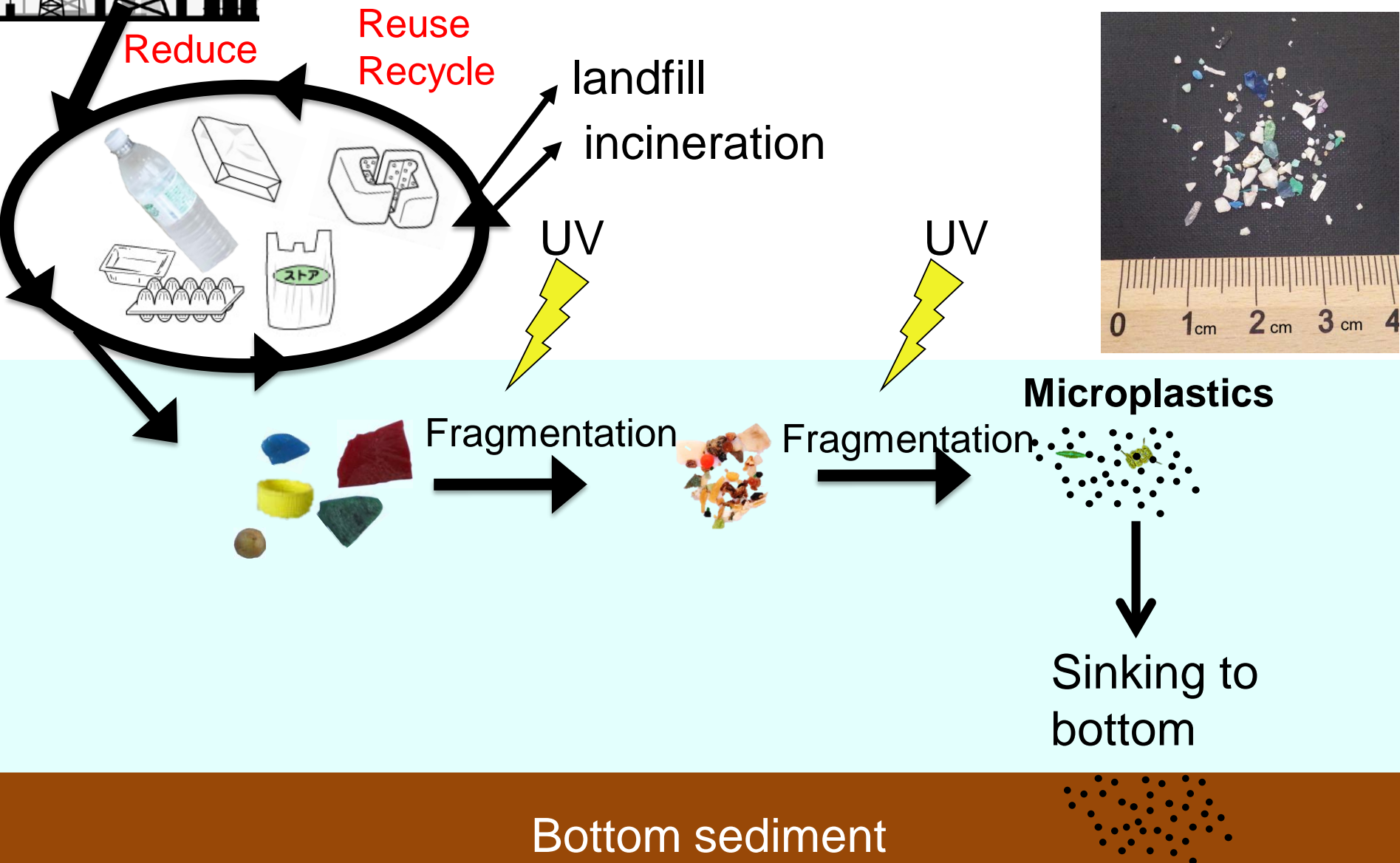


Microplastics in geological eras

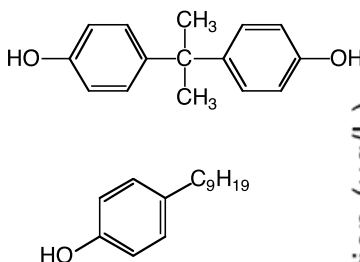
Jamebeck et al. (2015), Science



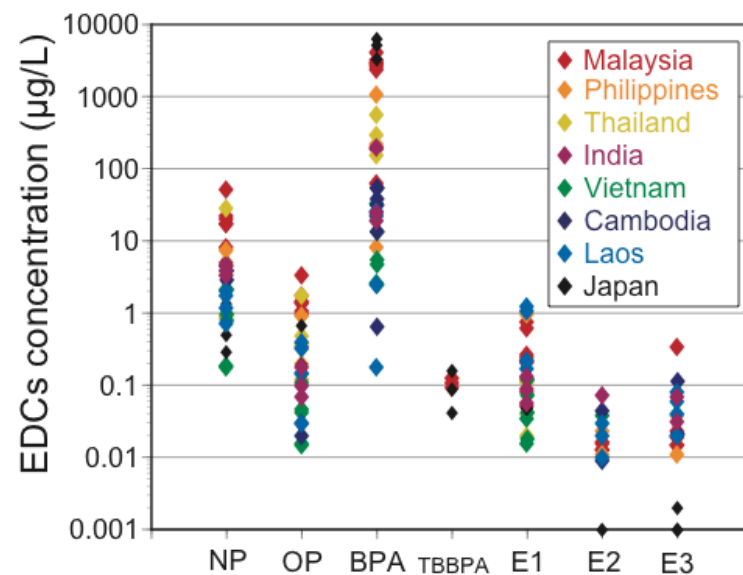
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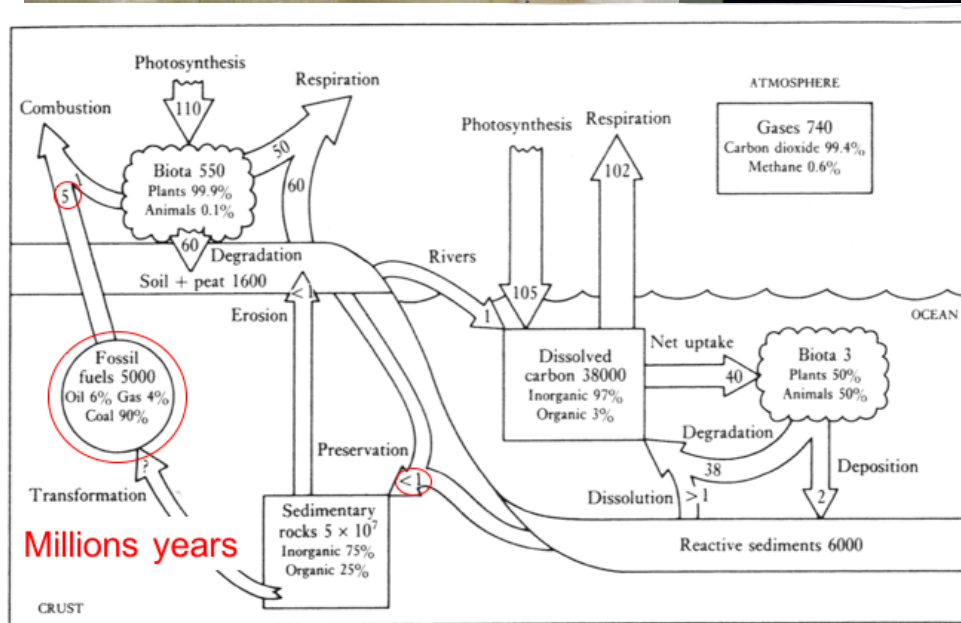
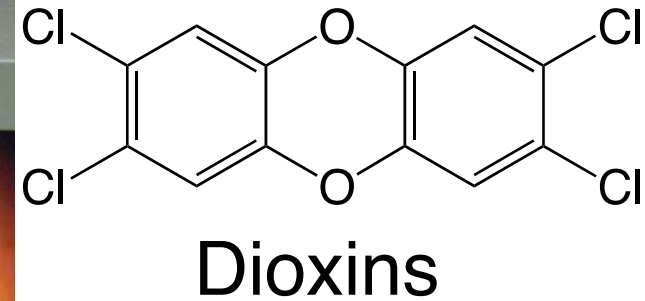
Landfill release hazardous chemicals from plastics to surface water and groundwater



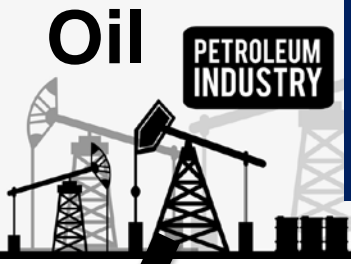
Plastic-derived chemicals



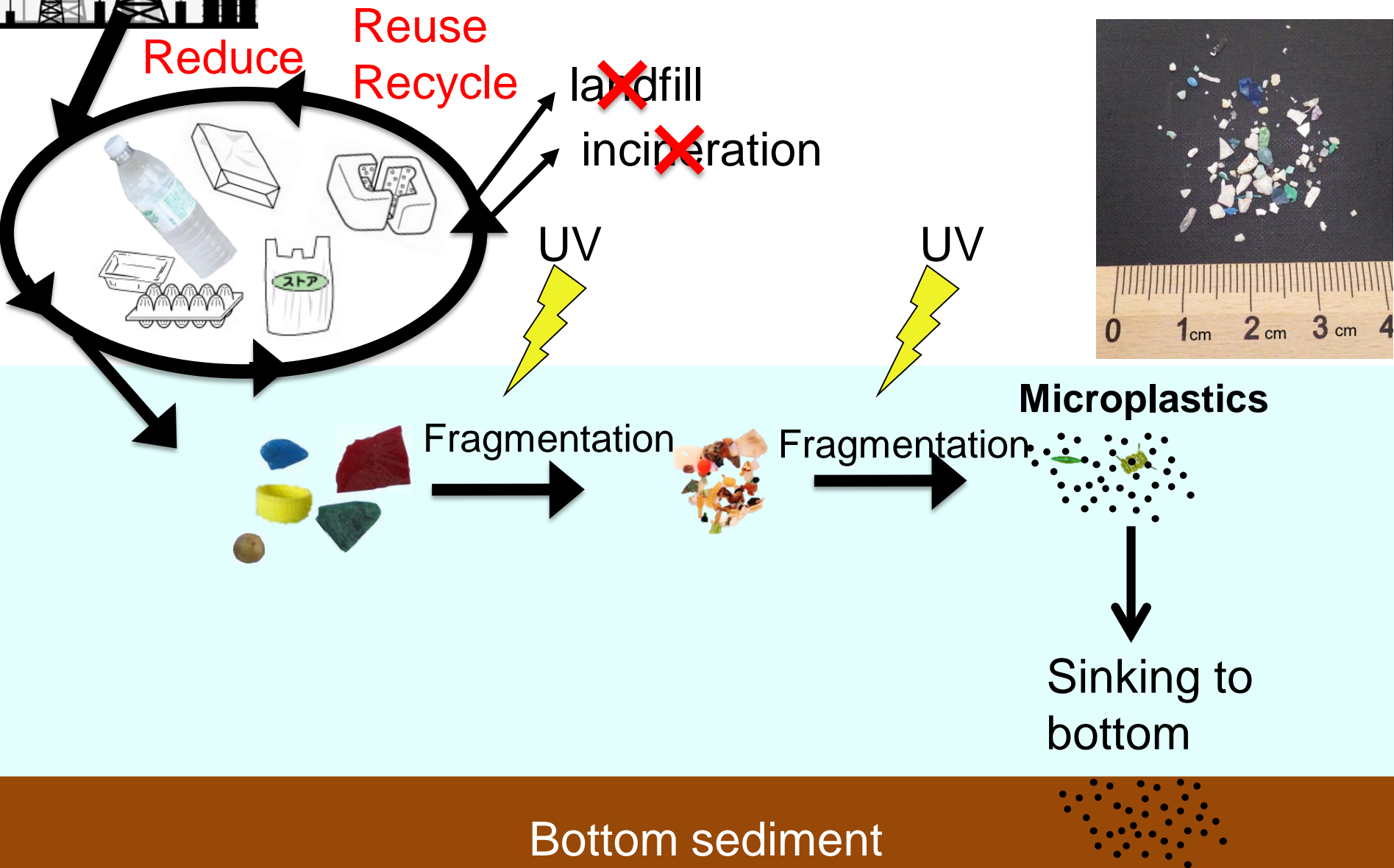
Incineration of plastic waste release toxic chemicals and CO₂

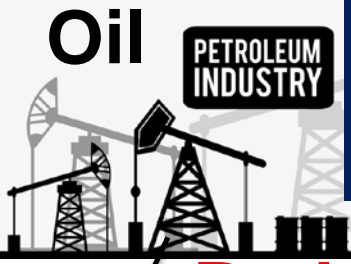


Incineration of plastic : net emission of CO₂
Inconsistent with Paris Agreement

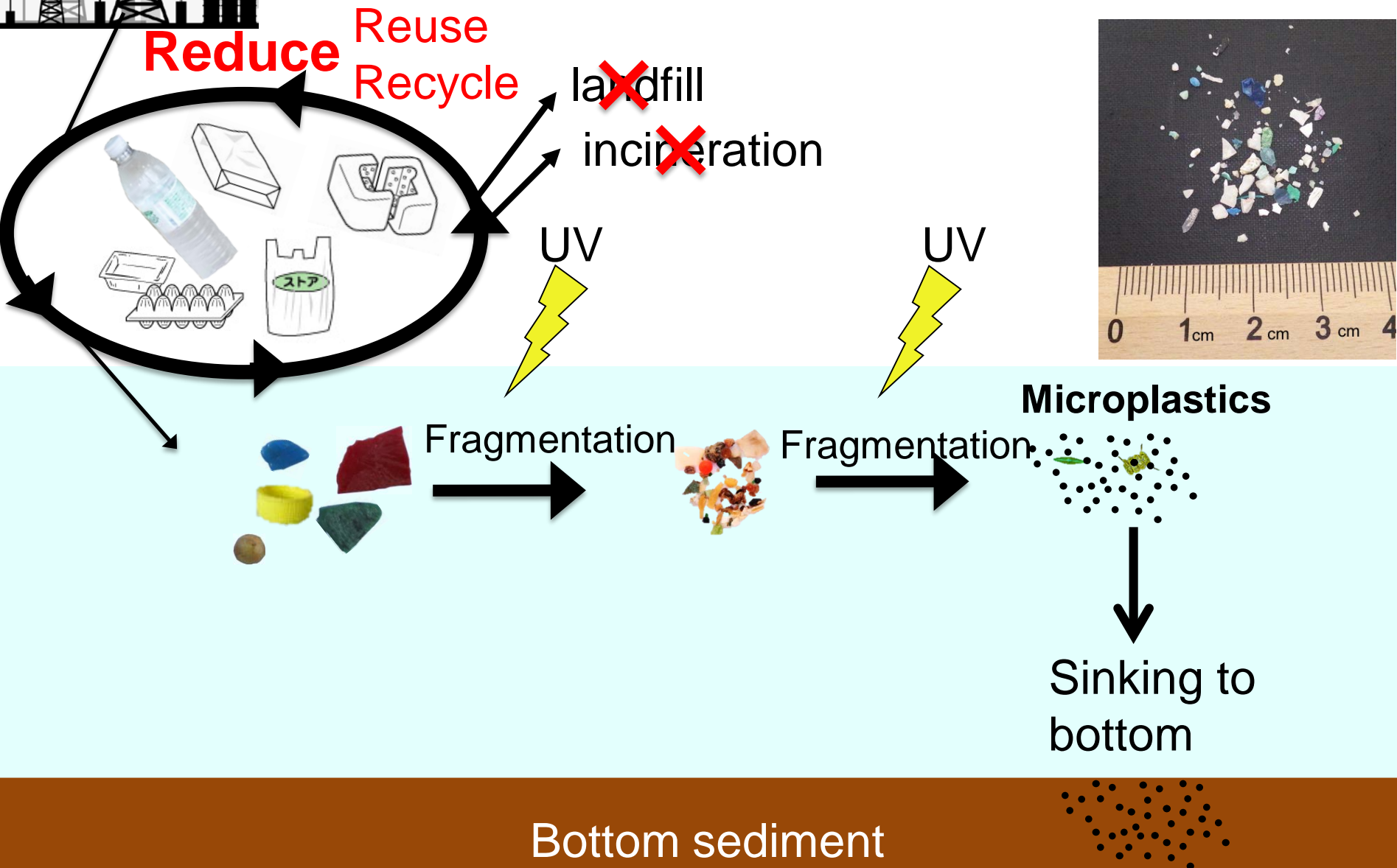


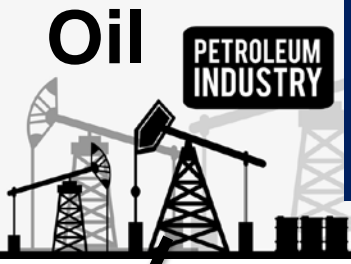
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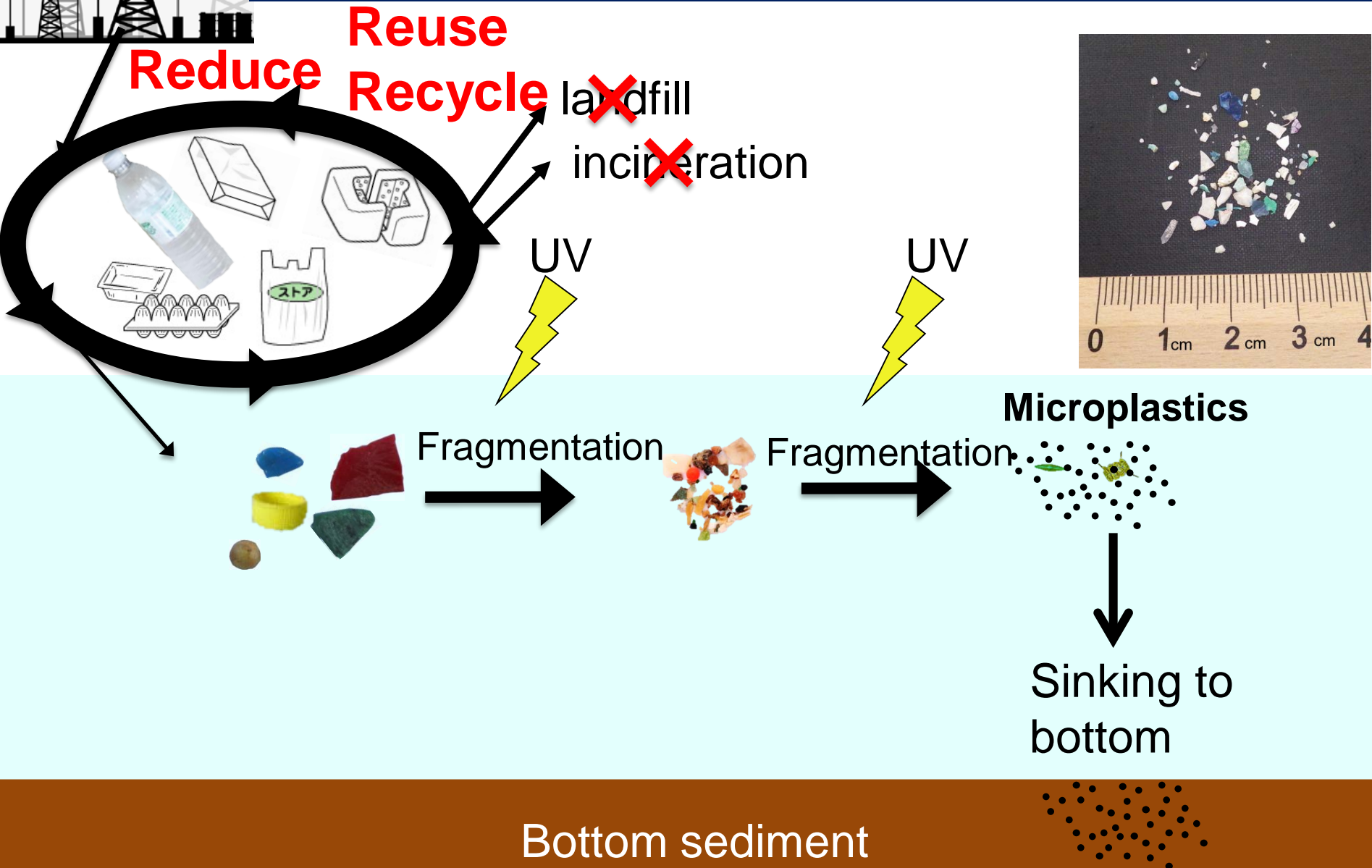


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Promotion of waste management based on 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle)

- Regulation of **single-use plastics**, e.g., **plastic shopping bag**.
- Establishment of social system and increase in public awareness to **efficiently collect and segregate** garbage.
- Innovation of **product and package design** to facilitate reuse and recycle.
- Promotion of utilization of **biomass and biomass-based polymers**. (Replace plastic with biomass)
- Establishment of social **system to facilitate the recycling** of plastics.
- Development of **biodegradable plastics** together with their **treatment in closed system**.
- Activating **beach-cleanup**
- Increasing **public awareness** on plastic pollution

Toward “circular economy”