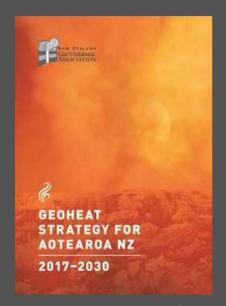


## **Direct Use Geothermal**

GeoHeat Strategy target by 2030:

- 7.5 PJ/year additional geothermal direct use
- 500 new jobs in geothermal related businesses





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## **Direct Use Innovation: Miraka**

- Established 2011
- 70,000 cows from 100 farms within 85km of plant
- 300ML of milk processed annually
- Exports milk powder and UHT products
- Geothermal steam for processing operations
- Waste solids go to worm farm and fluids are used for irrigation
- Product development: Whai Ora smoothies, Taupo Pure Powders



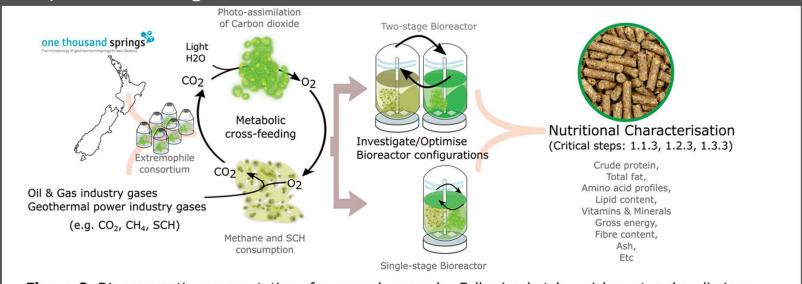






## **Feeding Methane to Cows**

- Convert stranded gas emissions from oil/geothermal industrial waste gas streams into niche protein and carbohydrate biofeedstocks using NZ naturally sourced non-GM microorganisms
- Demonstrate that the biomass produced suits the nutritional requirements of livestock and other animals (e.g. aquaculture)
- Avoids scalability issues that have previously depressed the use of lignocellulosic biomass by using extremophilic microorganisms



**Figure 2.** Diagrammatic representation of proposed research. Following batch enrichment and preliminary characterisation of extremophilic consortiums, candidate cultures will be transferred into bioreactors for process optimisation and nutritional characterisation.



## **Integrated Use**

