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Technical Assistance for Assessment of Türkiye's Potential on

**Transition to Circular Economy** 

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# Revolutionary New fiber

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### Increasing the Recycling of Textile Fibers is the Greener Choice.



The philosophy behind recycling is quite simple: discarded cotton is an excellent feedstock for regenerated cellulose fibers.

By using discarded cotton, domestic or industrial waste you don't need cellulose from forestry which is an environmental advantage.



### Highlights

A team of researchers from Saxion University of Applied Science in Enschede started in 2011 with the SaXcell Project.



#### Upscaling of Recycled Cotton

2017

The first phase of production upscaling of SaXcell, proved to be successful.

#### Founding SaXcell BV

#### 2015

The original inventors supported by Saxion founded the start-up company SaXcell BV, to further develop the technology towards commercialization





Dutch and Turkish Partners Join Forces

#### 2019

Group of investors (Sympany, Wevotex, Ugurlular, Selin Tekstil and Modeko) join SaXcell B.V.

#### **Opening Pilot Plant**

#### 2020

During the production of SaXcell, every kilogram of recycled cotton yielded at least 980 grams of new yarn.



2023

We decided as our next step, to establish an SSPP with an annual capacity of 3000 ton of pulp.





### The impact of textile production and textile waste on the environment

Global fiber production has almost doubled in the last 20 years from 58 million tonnes in 2000 to 109 million tonnes in 2020.

The production of textiles has a major negative impact on the environment.

# Discarded textile to new product

Fibres based on the SaXcell process is the answer to fill the gap between waste and raw materials.

SaXcell is therefore the missing link in building a closed, circular textile value chain.

SaXcell fits within the existing Lyocell process, the SaXcell fiber can be used immediately in the textile industry.





### Our Circular Supply Chain

**Recycling Process** 



### **SAXCELL** Innovative Aspect

SaXcell fibers can be reproduced many times over, the fibers are stronger and more colorfast than the virgin fibers. "*This is real renewal.*"

#### SaXcell fiber properties

SAXCELL

Air-gap spinning: 1,7 dtex, fiber length: 38 mm	Strength: 43 cN/tex stronger than cotton and other regenerated fibers	Elongation: 13%
✓ Hydrophilic	✔ Good dyeability	Dye efficiency: higher that expected



### Sustainable Development

"Eco-efficiency" goes one step further when sustainable development focus on the needs of the present without compromising the needs of future generations.



#### **CARBON FOOTPRINT**

Carbon footprint is reduced, environmental assessment shows reduced global warming potential (GWP). Based on ecology life cycle assessment (LCA) textile recycling.



#### **SUSTAINABILITY**

Recycling and reusing textiles, fibres and waste materials is an effective method to build sustainability in the apparel industry.



#### LESS WATER

Our process of recycling fibers uses less water and chemicals.



### Combating Climate Chang Through Recycling

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SaXcell a circular resource that is not taken from newly grown and harvested cotton or newly grown and cut trees.

SaXcell avoids destruction of cotton in textile incinerators or landfills, stored  $CO_2$  is retained.

Impact categories	SaXcell 100 %	Sulphate	Sulphate pulp
	cotton	pulp	sustainable1
Climate change (kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	0,48	0,54	0,58
Human toxicity (kg 1,4 DB eq)	0,107	0,234	0,194
Agricultural land occupation (m <sup>2</sup> a)	0,01	4,82	0,83
Urban land occupation $(m^2a)$	0,004	0,031	0,005
Water depletion m <sup>3</sup>	0,0100	0,0170	0,0251

<sup>1</sup> pulp made of eucalyptus wood from sustainable forest management

### Partners



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