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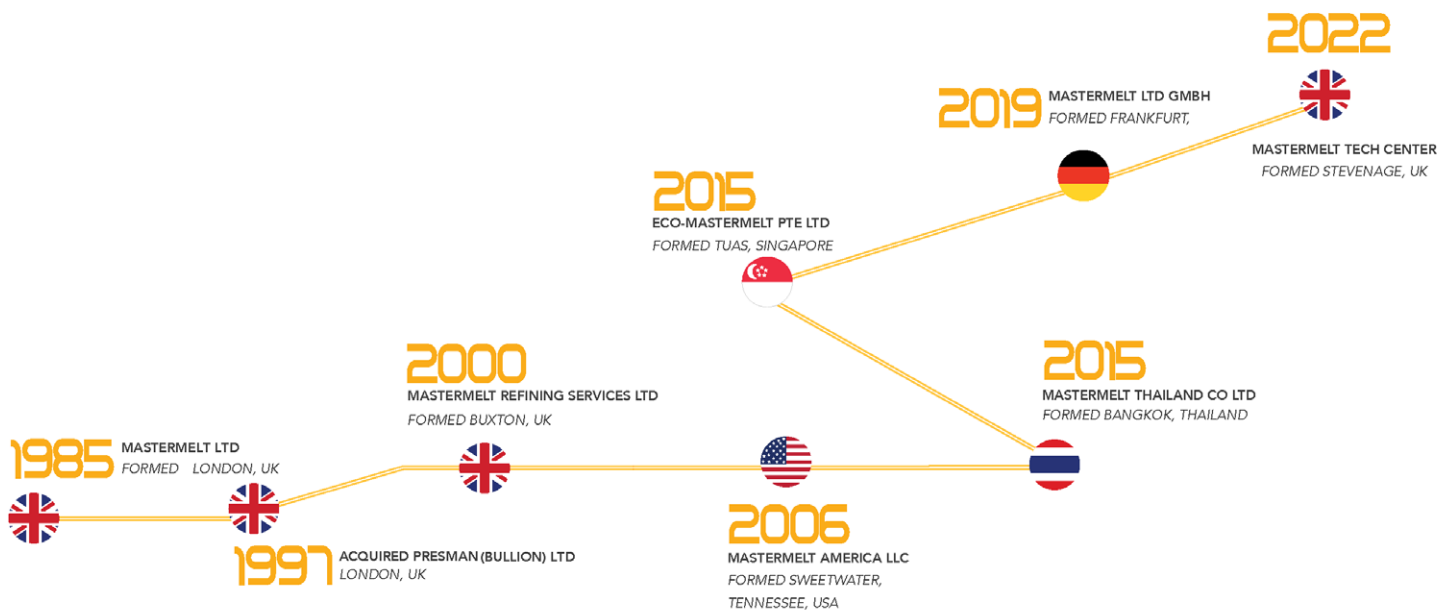
# CIRCULAR ECONOMY OF CATALYST PROCESSING





## ABOUT US

The Mastermelt Group of companies is one of the largest recyclers and processors of precious metals in the world.





### QUALITY

All Group companies hold internationally recognised quality accreditations such as ISO 9001 and ISO 14001.

### EXPERIENCE

We are the global leaders in reclaiming precious metals from industries around the world and our respected team of experts have unrivalled knowledge and experience in processing all types of precious metals.

### TECHNOLOGY

All of our operations have developed novel technologies to enable us to recover precious metals from ever more complex waste streams.



## COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABILITY

Mastermelt are committed to being an integral part of the sustainable circular economy. Our goal is to continually improve our environmental and social performance. We achieve this by: reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions of our operations; ensuring that the materials we recover and reclaim are from responsible, post-industrial and post-consumer sources only; excellent EHS performance beyond compliance at our facilities; and developing innovative new recycling techniques.



### ECOVADIS GOLD AWARD

Mastermelt achieved the Gold sustainable rating by the leading sustainable rating partner EcoVadis.

# CATALYST PROCESSING



We provide a “one stop” tailored reclamation service, which optimises precious metal recovery from Heterogeneous and Homogeneous catalyst systems including Distillates used in the Pharmaceutical sector. We also use specially developed metal scavenger recovery systems to capture precious metals from Homogeneous catalyst reactions.

## YOUR PROCESS



Understanding your catalyst process and how you pre-treat spent catalysts, will help determine the treatment route and matrix effects, such as any residual solvents and any base metals present.

## ANALYSE



We will then conduct analysis on a small sample of catalyst. Including matrix evaluation and thermogravimetric properties of the material.



# SCALE UP

Technical scale-up of the tailored process route, which is monitored using rigorous process controls, ensures safe and effective production scale validation.

## INSPECT

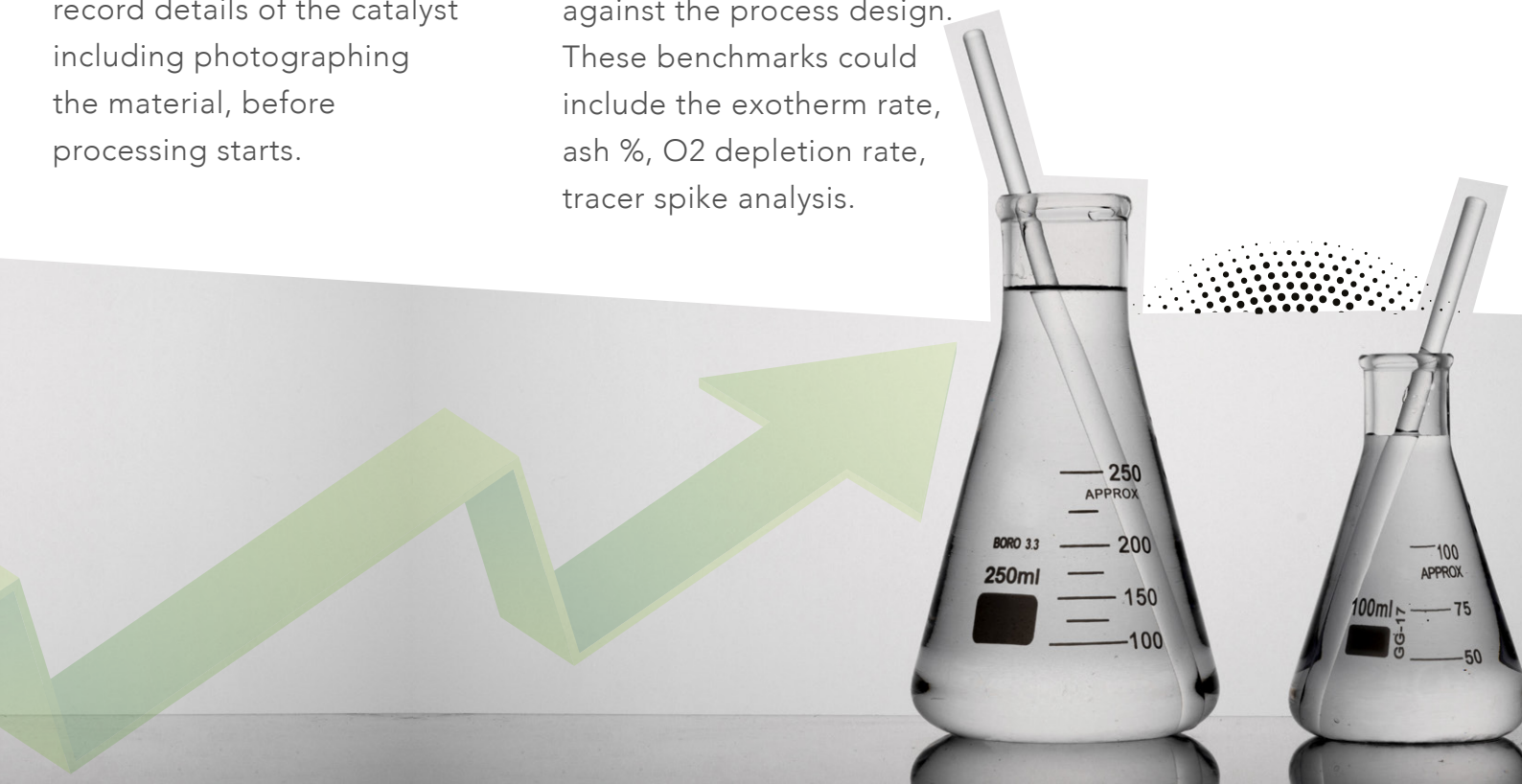
We will inspect the 1st delivery of catalyst the material to ensure that it conforms with the sample previously provided. We will record details of the catalyst including photographing the material, before processing starts.

## MEASURED

Initial processing of a small sample of catalyst, normally 10-25kg. It's then monitored by our technicians and process measurements compared against the process design. These benchmarks could include the exotherm rate, ash %, O<sub>2</sub> depletion rate, tracer spike analysis.

## VOLUME

Assuming the initial trial benchmarks are within limits, then the volumes will be increased to a minimum production scale.





# OPTIMISATION



Efficient and expedient processing of large volumes of catalyst, underpinned by performance benchmarking, resulting in industry leading precious metal returns.

## PRODUCTION

When the performance benchmarks have been met, the production technicians look to optimise the throughput of the catalyst. Mastermelt's use unique processing equipment and operating methods to increase the throughput of the process.

## RECOVERY

Knowing the benchmark envelope will enable the maximum amount of precious metal recovery. This will be measured by our class leading sampling and analysis techniques.





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