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# Myeco-Pofa Shield: A Remedy for Fungi Growing World



Fungus growth affects our well being

#### Introduction

myeco-POFA Shield is a nano-solution, first of its kind that is extracted and engineered based on palm oil fuel ash waste (POFA). 3 million metric tons of POFA dumped annually occupies valuable land, create environmental pollution and health hazard. Therefore, the waste is converted to myeco-POFA Shield for consumer to prevent fungus growth.

#### **Problem Statement**

Fungi are everywhere. Invasive fungal infections has caused various problem to humankind

- Adverse health effect- infect the heart, blood, brain, bones and other internal organs-kill about 1.5 million people worldwide every year.
- Businesses lose-\$61 billion a year because of Sick Building Syndrome
- Fungus infections is one of the key issues in entire Hospitals

#### **Inventiveness and Novelty**

- Non-toxic active ingredient based on waste materials
- It is a nano-coating liquid that can bind easily on concreate, tiles, textile
- Non-toxic active ingredient based on waste materials with WCA 171° with tilting angle of 2°.
- Excellent durability due to self-healing characteristic

# **Intellectual Property Status**

- 1 patent filed- PI 2018703367
- 1 trademark- 2018073780

**Usefulness and Application myeco-POFA Shield** has a broad prospect of applications in construction and building, transportation, textile production and anti-corrosion. The benefits are as follows

- "Waste to wealth" initiative that contributing to Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)
- Prevent fungus growth due to lotus effect which keeps surface dry
- Greatly reduces the need of fungicides or hazardous cleaning products to remove fungus
- Reduce conventional cleaning thus saving water, time, energy and environment

# **Status of Invention**

Prototype ready and Field Validation ongoing

# Market and commercial potential

Global Fungicide Market is 19 billion US Dollar for 2018 and expected to grow up to 21 billion US Dollar in 2021. Potential future revenue for Malaysia is estimated at an average of 0.01% per annum-2.1 million, covering 5% of the total 139 Government & 91 private Hospitals exist in Malaysia.

# **Potential Partners**

Process Tech Design Sdn Bhd Ceramic Tiles Company

# **Knowledge Management**

ISI Publication-2 (Surface & Coatings Technology, Journal of Nanomaterials)
International Conference Proceeding - 2
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# tion of myeco-POFA Shield in Impact of the product

myeco-POFA Shield reduces the use of toxic fungicides thus safe the environment. It contributes the global needs to address fungal infection in various segments- buildings, healthcare & shipping. The utilization of palm oil fuel ash waste to form an affordable product support our nation vision of waste to wealth for sustainable tomorrow.



myeco-POFA Shield demonstrates

excellent inhabitation against fungus

growth due to hydrophobic nature of the

coating

Field Validation of myeco-POFA Shield in Transportation & Buildings

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