

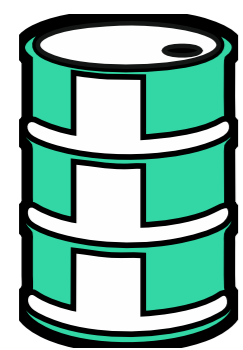
# LIGHT LINING

## A lightweight super-insulating nonwoven for sportswear

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### Motivation

State of the art insulation materials consist of



#### Polyester

Petroleum based  
Bulky insulation material  
Poorly recyclable  
Non biodegradable

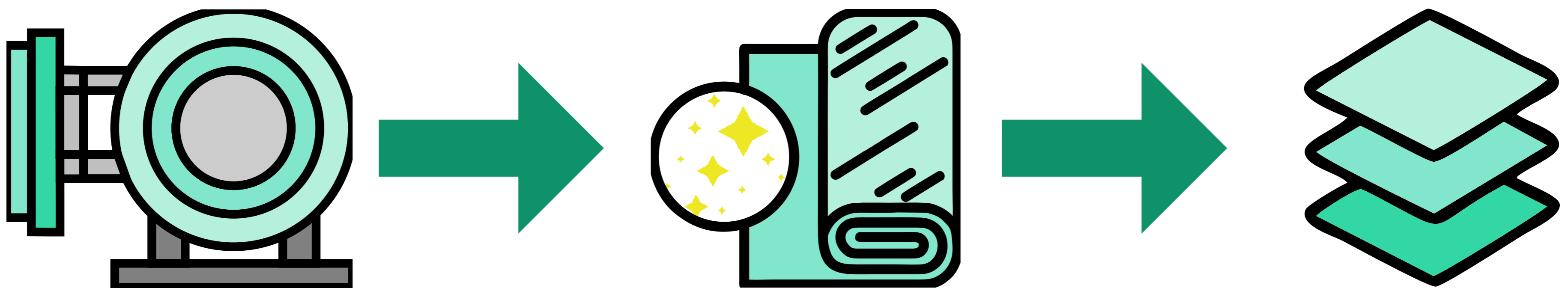


#### Down Feathers

Animal product  
High price  
Bulky insulation material



### Approach



**Supercritical Drying** of an cellulose nonwoven precursor to solidify the nanoporous structure in the material

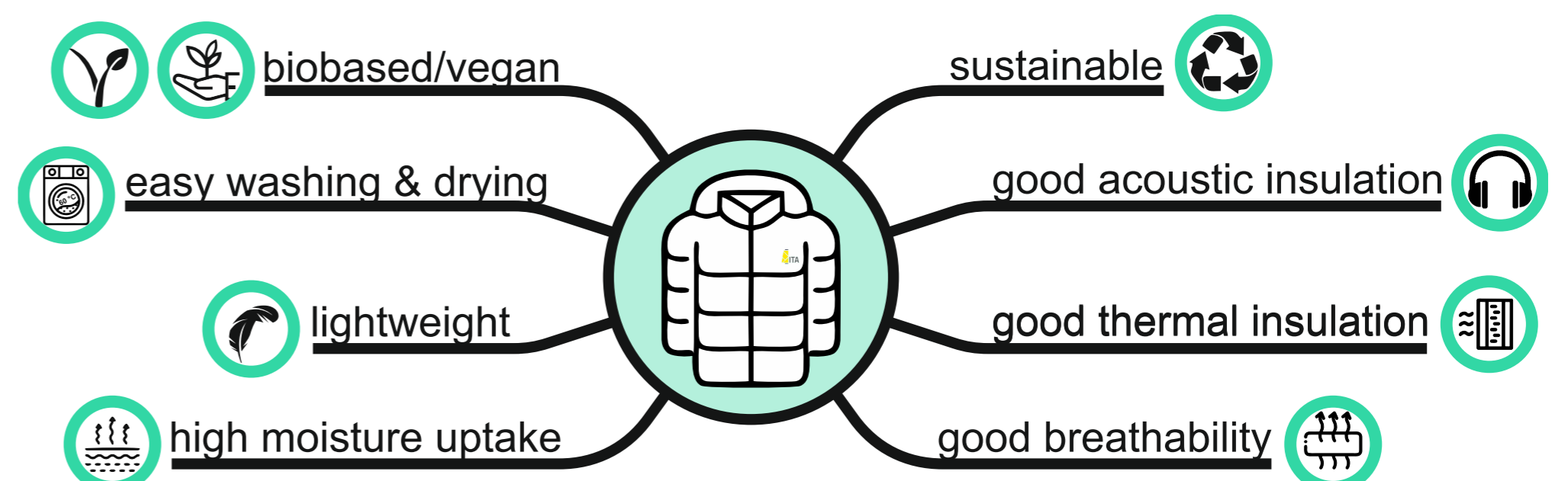
**Finishing** of the dried nonwoven in regards to apparel requirements like washability or antibacterial behaviour

**Implementation** into a demonstrator garment in combination with other textiles

### Objectives

- A **proof of concept** for a new cellulose aerogel nonwoven for outdoor insulation clothing
- Development of a **first demonstrator** garment
- Accompanying **assessments** with the TransitionLab to determine material acceptance, desired characteristics, and product acceptance
- Analysis of the societal and economic impact of a new **biobased, sustainable** and **vegan** hightech insulation material

### Advantages LIGHT LINING approach



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