



OXO-BIODEGRADABLE PLASTICS ASSOCIATION

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Press Release

The Oxo-Biodegradable Plastics Association is pleased to announce that oxo-biodegradable technology supplied by an OPA member has been certified by ABNT (the Brazilian Association of Technical Standards) and has been awarded the coveted Eco-label.



The criteria for awarding an Eco-label are to preserve environment quality and minimize pollution caused by production, use, and disposal, of products and services.

If plastic products made with oxo-biodegradable technology escape into the open environment they will automatically convert into biodegradable materials at the end of their useful life.

The award is the result of rigorous testing to prove that the technology has been thoroughly assessed throughout its life cycle to confirm the environmental value of the product. There is only one oxo-biodegradable additive which qualifies for the Eco-Label.

ABNT is a member of ISO (International Organisation for Standardisation) and the Global Eco-labelling Network. ABNT is accredited by **Cgcre (INMETRO Accreditation General Coordination)** for certification of products, services and systems. **Cgcre (INMETRO Accreditation General Coordination)** is a member of the International Accreditation Forum.

INMETRO has a mutual recognition of certification agreement with European Accreditation, which applies to the entire European Union, and with Inter-American Accreditation, which applies to the United States, Canada, and Mexico. INMETRO certification is also recognised by Asia-Pacific Laboratory Accreditation (APLAC).

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