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No Oil in My Soil



After the Lac Megantic rail disaster, Balendra began researching environmentally-friendly methods for soil decontamination, which is how she came across the effectiveness of biosurfactants. Her start-up business converts food waste into non-toxic surfactants for use in cleaning and personal care products.

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