



Digital Micro-Certification "The Challenges of Sustainable Chemistry"

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Renewable and bio-sourced chemistry

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Green Chemistry and Sustainable Chemistry

12 principles of green chemistry

1. Prevent waste
2. Maximize atom economy
3. Design less hazardous chemical syntheses
4. Design safer chemicals and products
5. Use safer solvents and reaction conditions
6. Increase energy efficiency
7. Use renewable feedstocks
8. Avoid chemical derivatives
9. Use catalysts, not stoichiometric reagents
10. Design chemicals and products to degrade after use
11. Analyze in real time to prevent pollution
12. Minimize the potential for accidents



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Green chemistry is the design of chemical products and processes that reduce or eliminate the use or generation of hazardous substances.

Sustainable Chemistry

A scientific concept that seeks to improve the efficiency with which natural resources are used to meet human needs for chemical products and services.

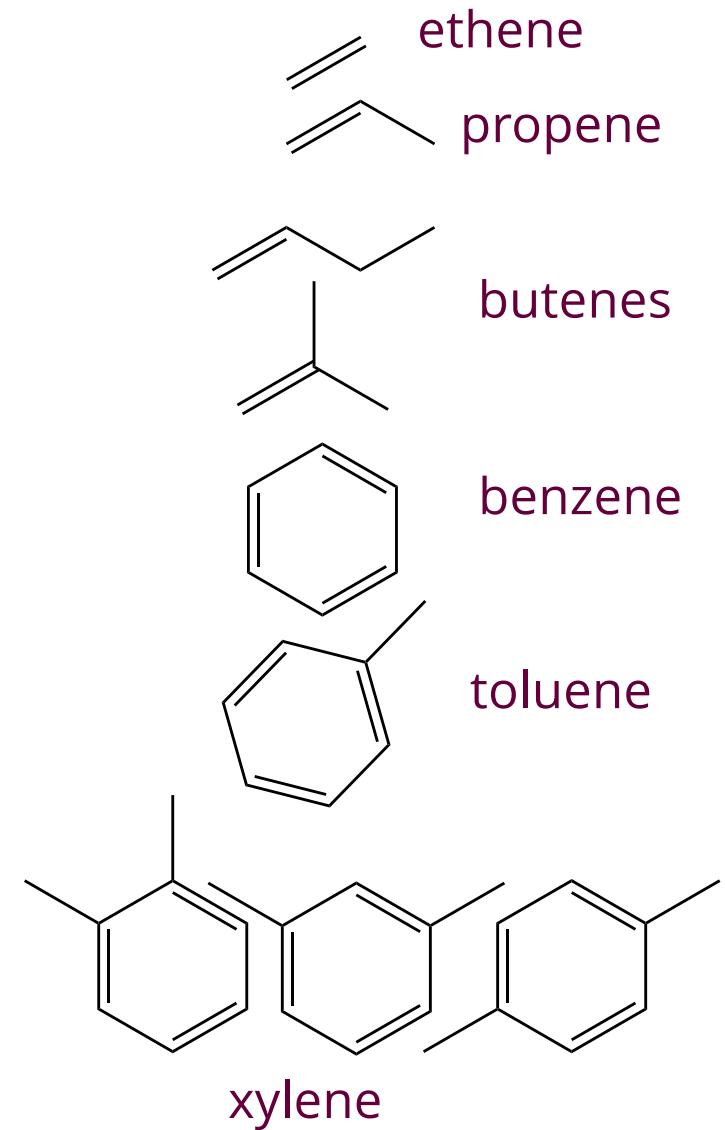
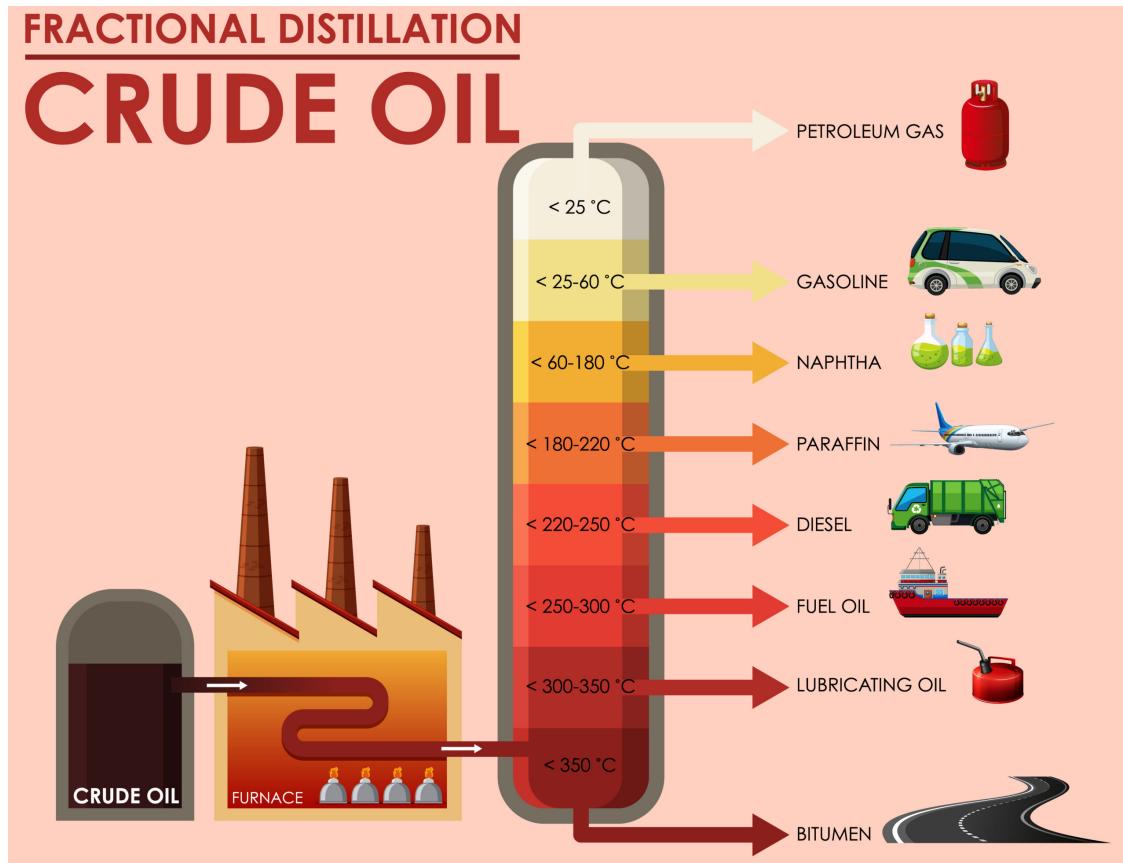


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Fossil-derived Base Chemicals

Feedstocks: Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Coal



Fossil-derived Base Chemicals – Bulk chemicals - Products

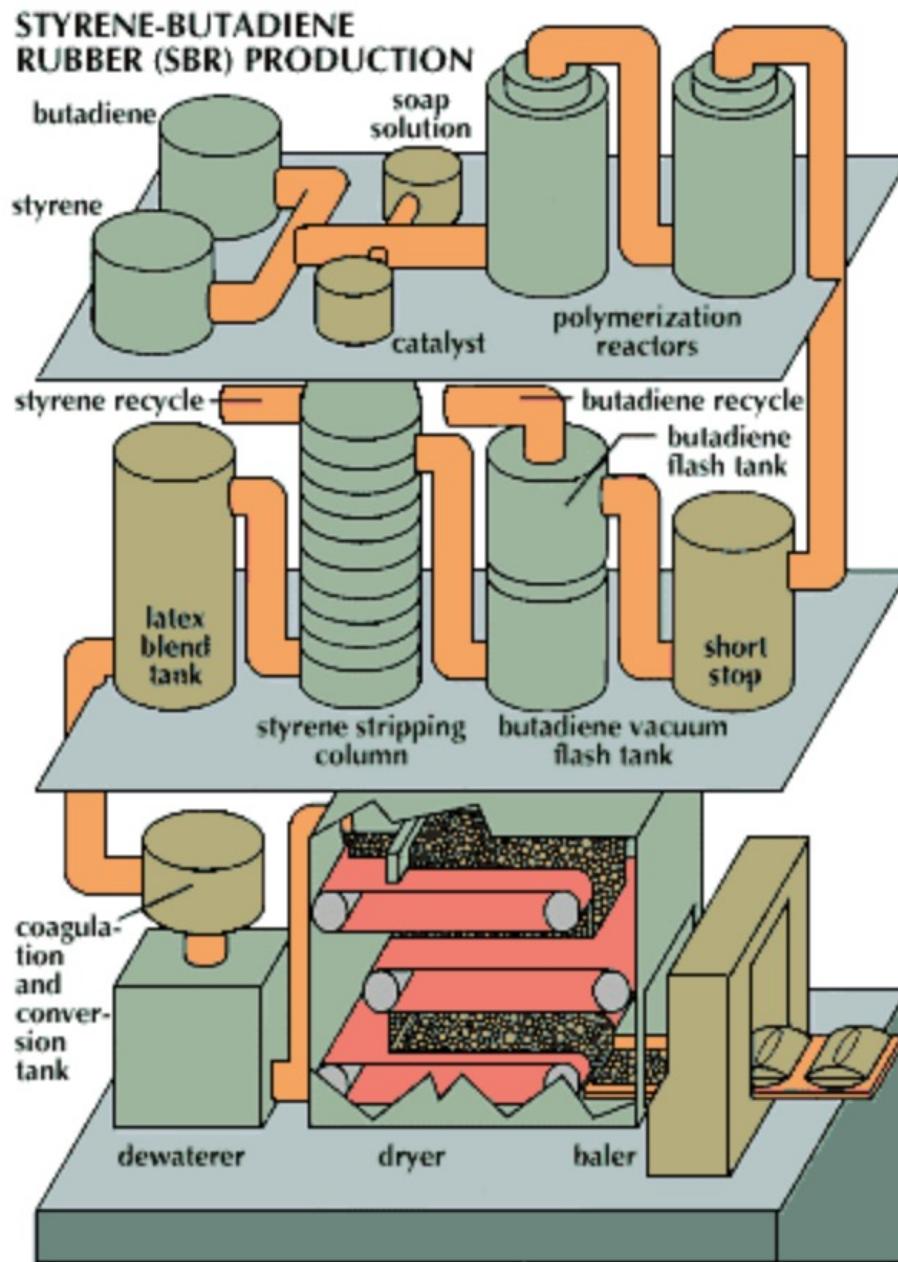
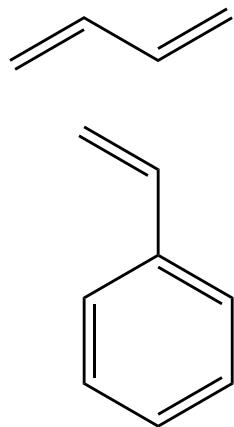
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	benzene	
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Example: styrene-butadiene rubber

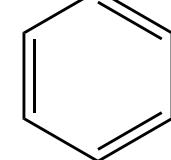
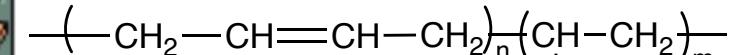
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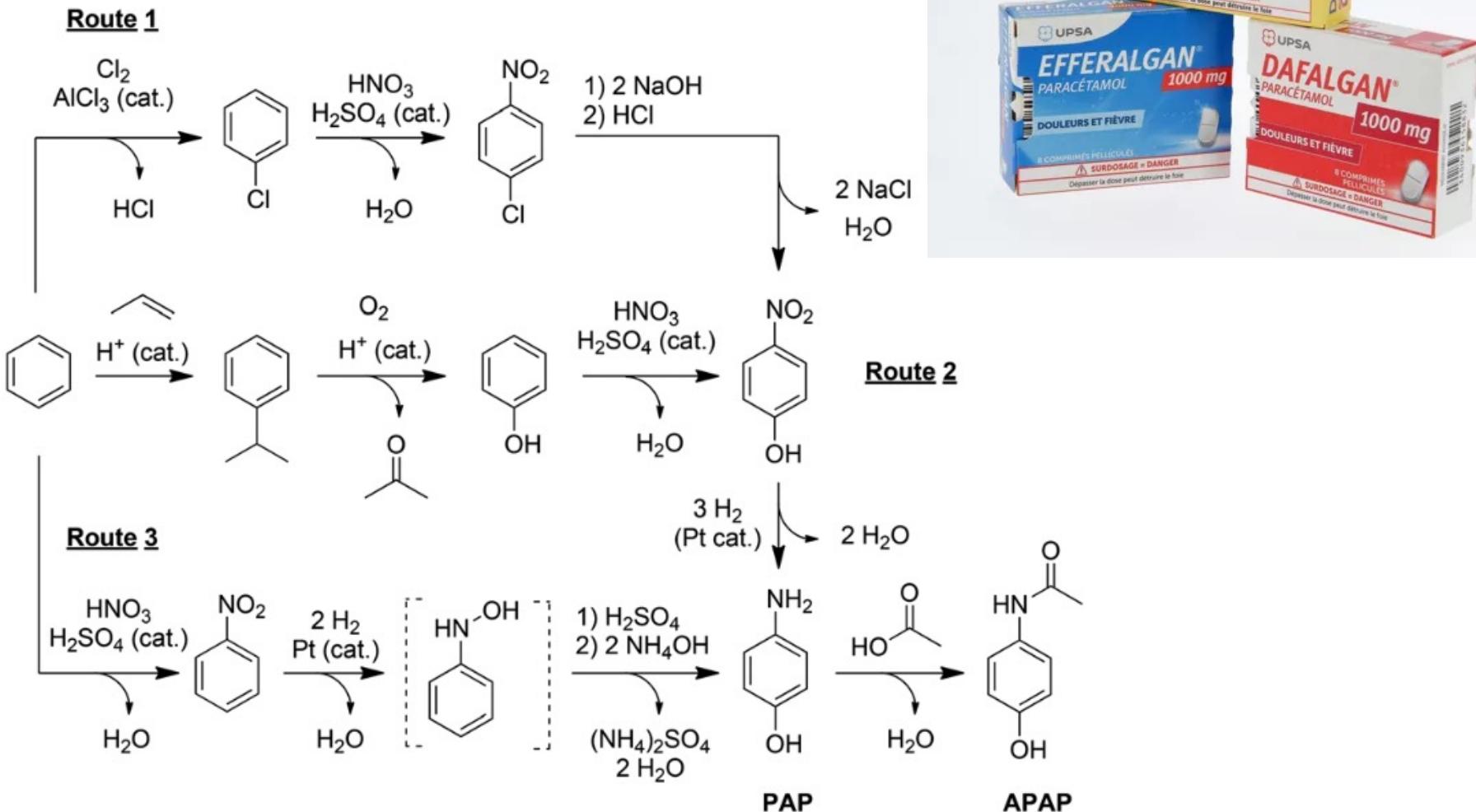
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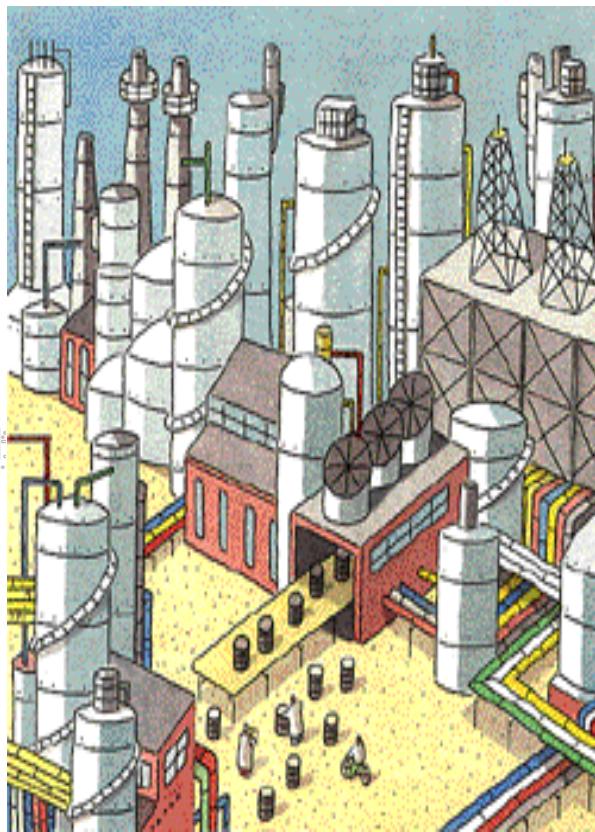


Paracetamol (acetaminophen)



Scheme 2 Commercial routes for paracetamol production.

Oil refinery



→ Fuel

→ Asphalt

→ Base chemicals

**Simple building-block chemical
produced via simple processing
(steam cracking, reforming...)**

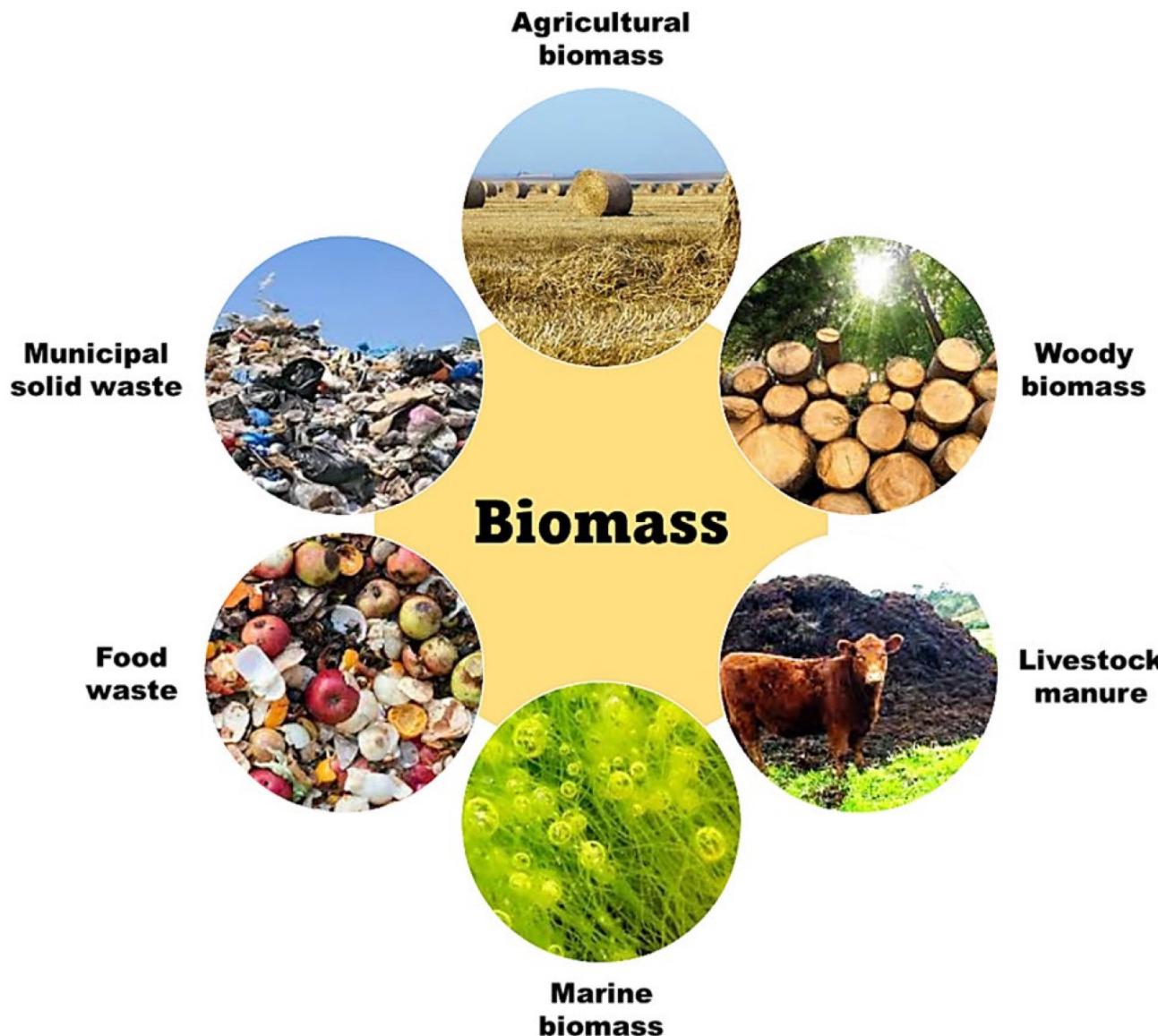
→ Energy

**plastics
pharmaceuticals
solvents
clothing
agro-chemicals**

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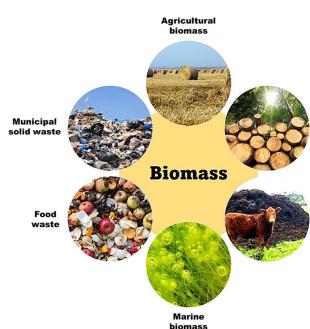


Renewable feedstocks: BIOMASS



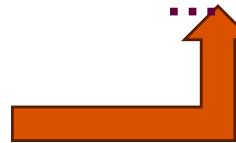
Biorefinery

The International Energy Agency defined biorefining as "the sustainable processing of biomass into a spectrum of bio-based products (food, feed, chemicals, materials) and bioenergy (biofuels, power and/or heat)



- Fuel
- Materials
- Chemicals
- Energy

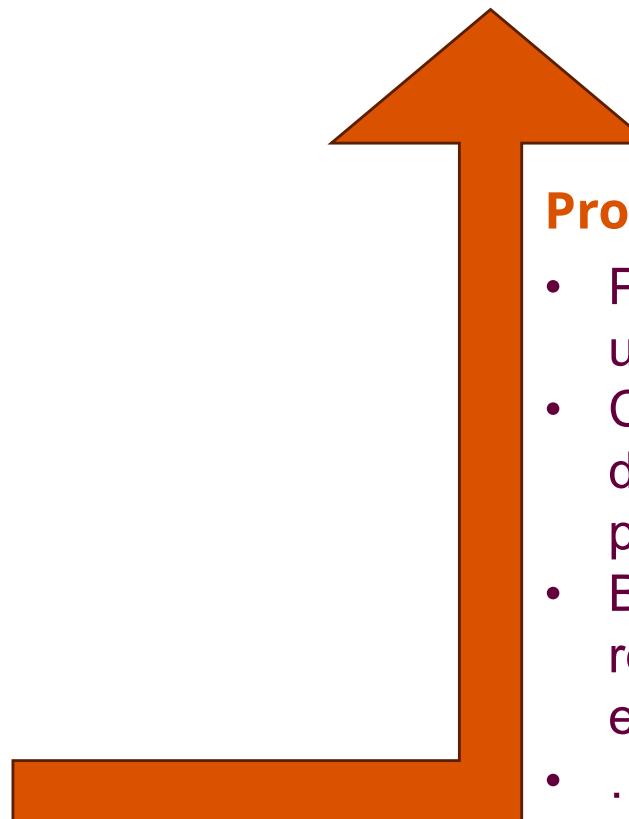
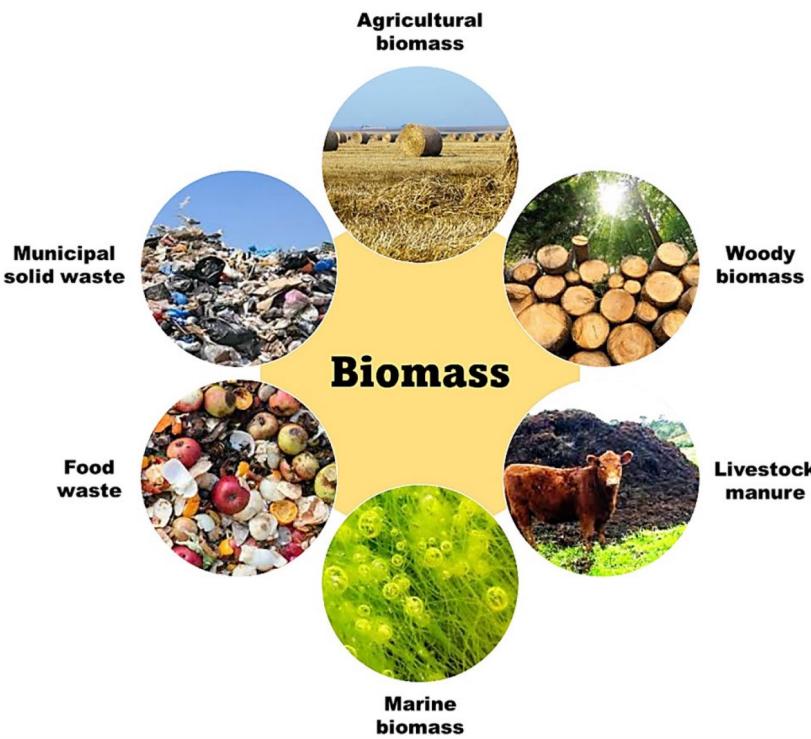
plastics
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Platform molecules: bio-based chemical compound whose constituent elements originate wholly from biomass (excluding fossil carbon sources)

Feedstocks

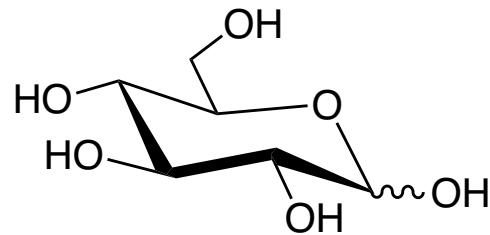
Polysaccharides (starch, cellulose, hemicellulose, chitin)
Mono/disaccharides (glucose, fructose, sucrose)
Lignin
Extracts
Protein



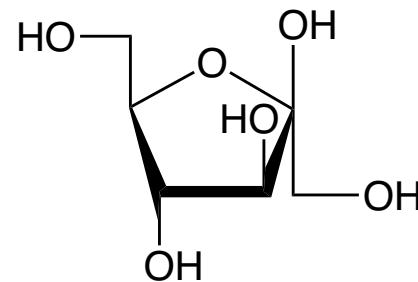
Processing technologies

- Physical (grinding, ultrasound, extrusion...)
- Chemical (hydrolysis, dehydration, extraction, precipitation...)
- Biochemical (enzymatic reaction, fermentation, etc.)
- ...

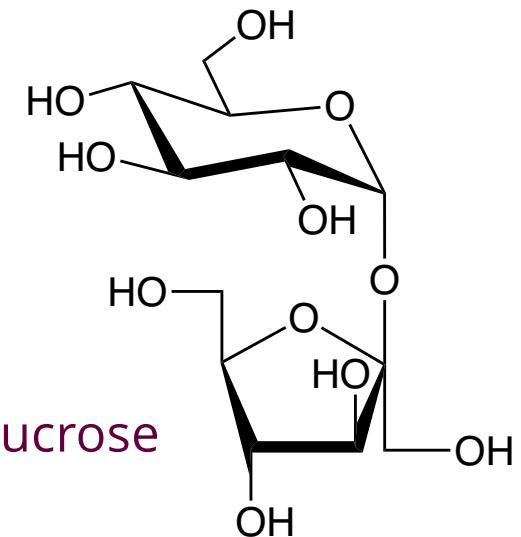
Saccharides



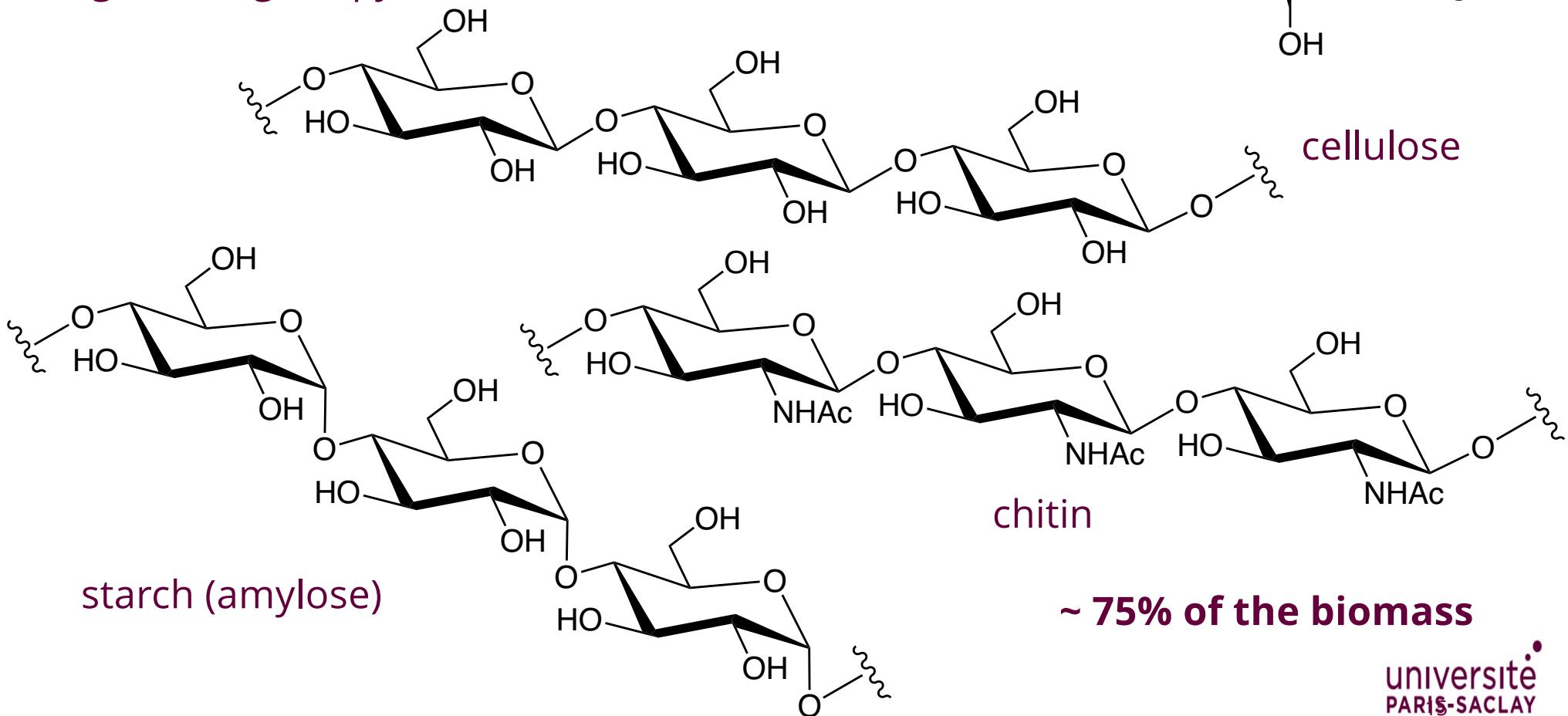
D- glucose (glucopyranose)



β -D- fructofuranose



sucrose

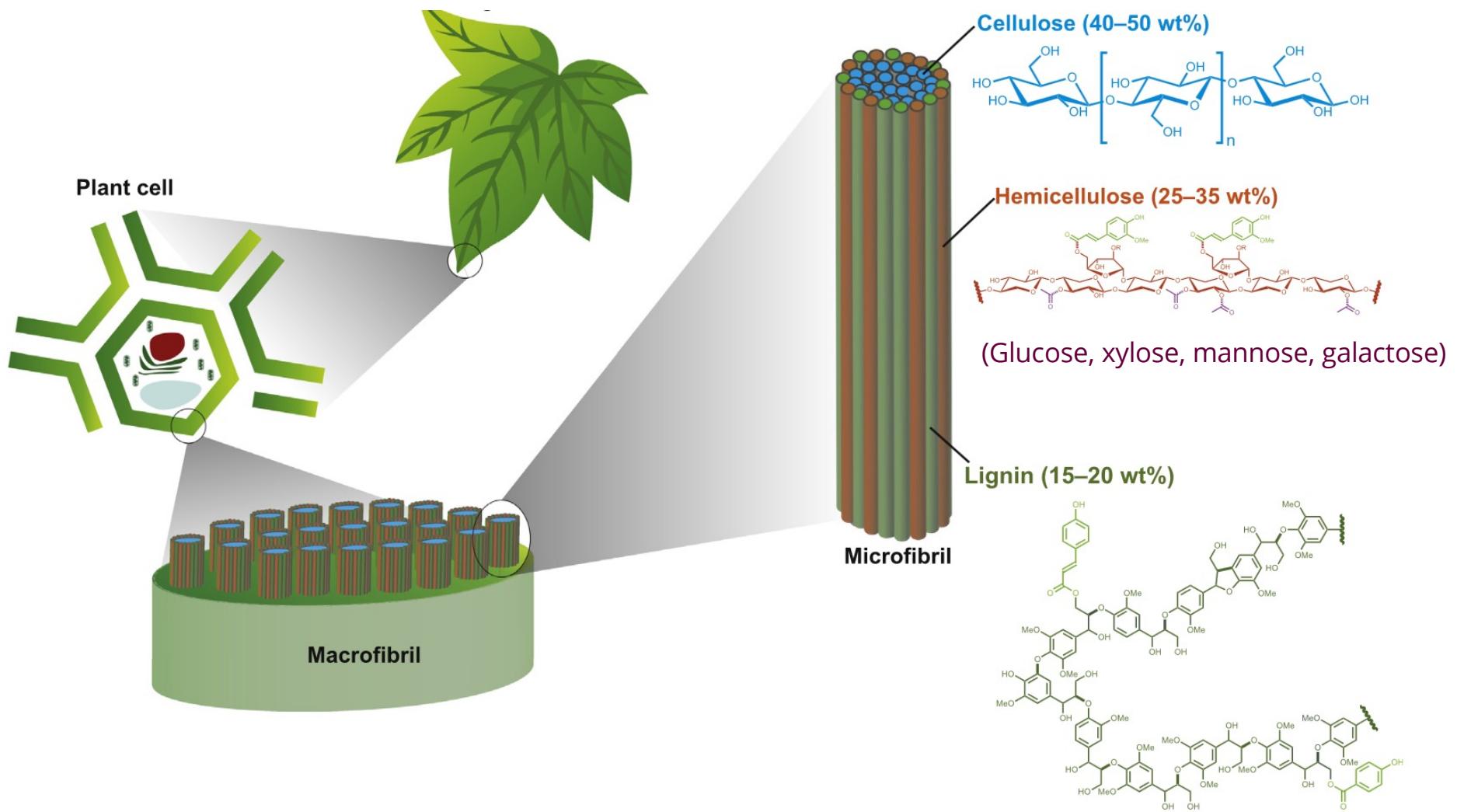


cellulose

chitin

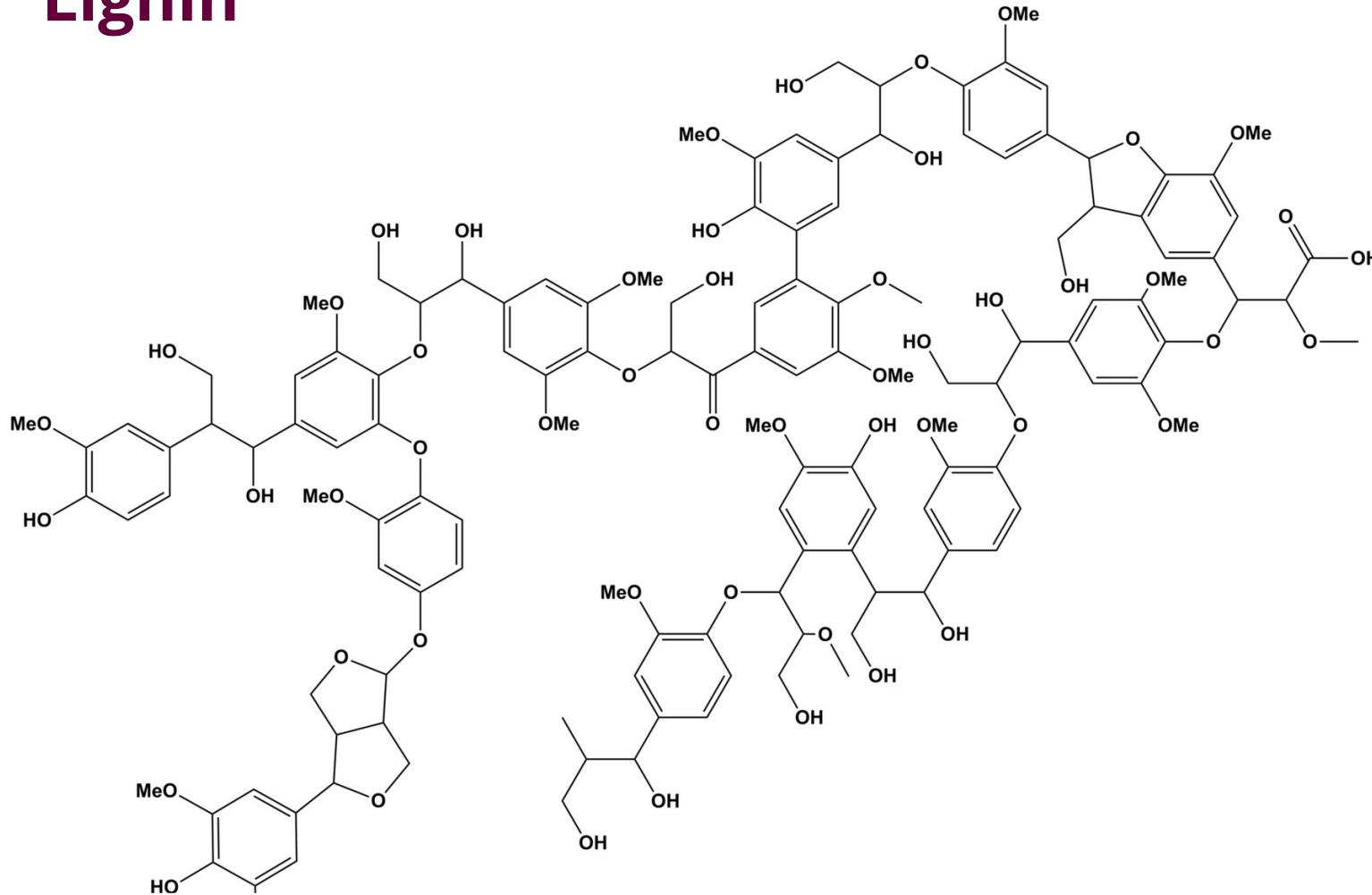
~ 75% of the biomass

Lignocellulosic biomass



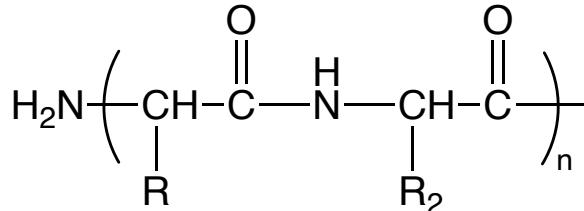
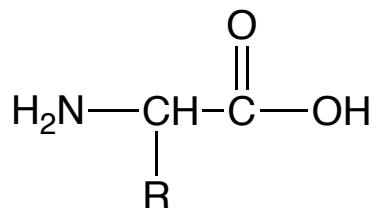
S.Bertella and J. S. Luterbacher Trends in Chemistry, May 2020, Vol. 2, No. 5

Lignin

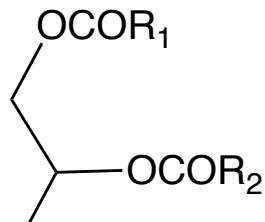


~ 20% of the biomass

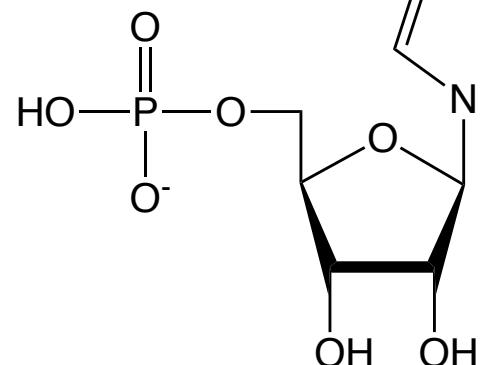
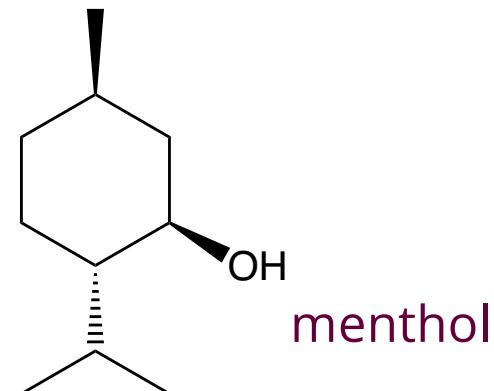
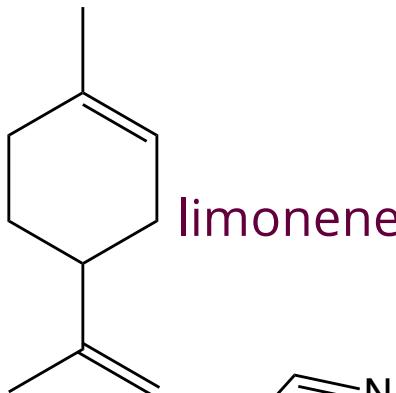
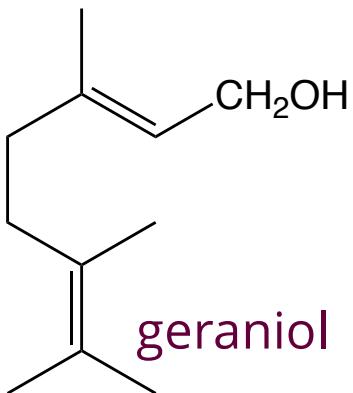
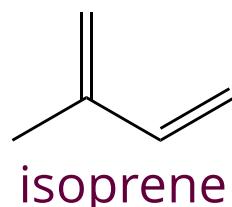
Proteins – fats – terpenoids – alkaloids- nucleic acids



$n \sim 10$: peptide
 $n > 100+$: protein

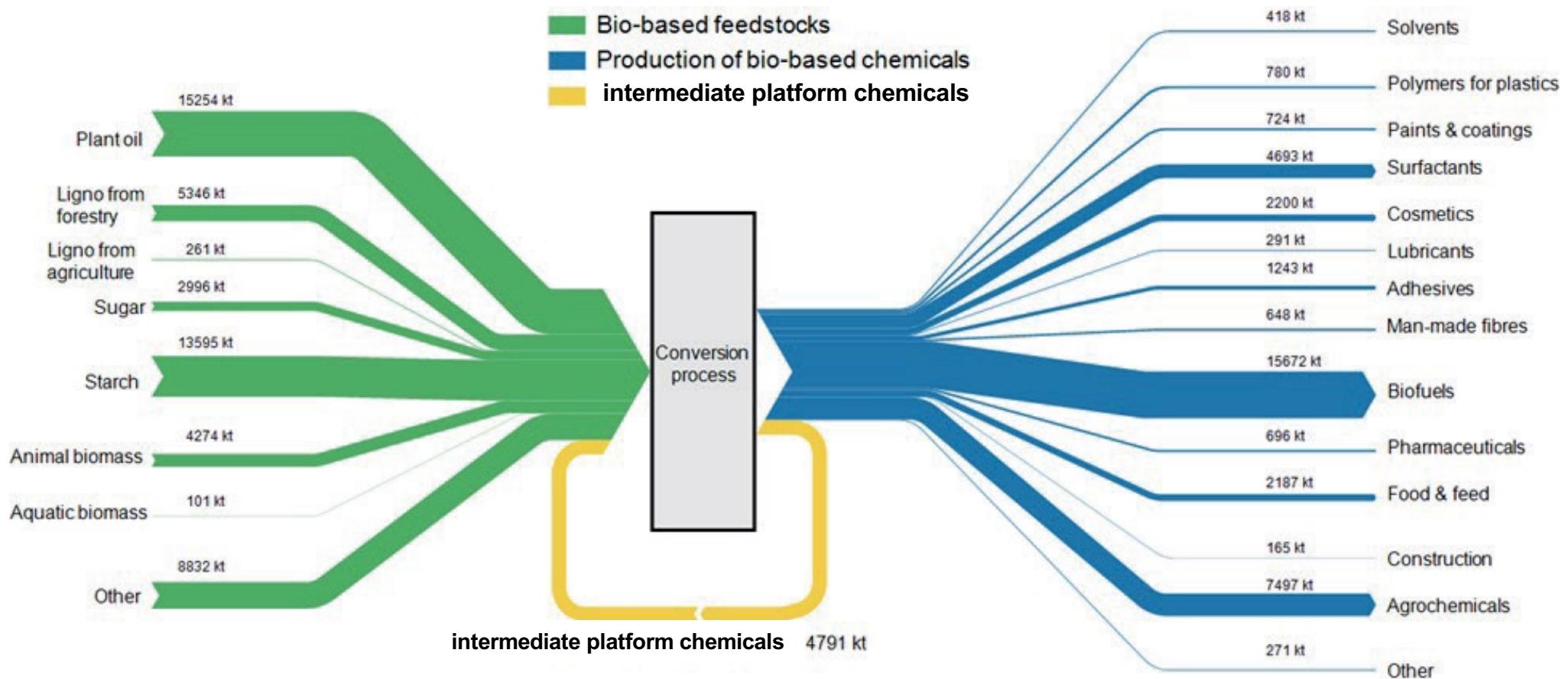


$\text{R}_1, \text{R}_2, \text{R}_3$ = fatty chains, saturated or unsaturated



Nucleotide ~ 5% of the biomass

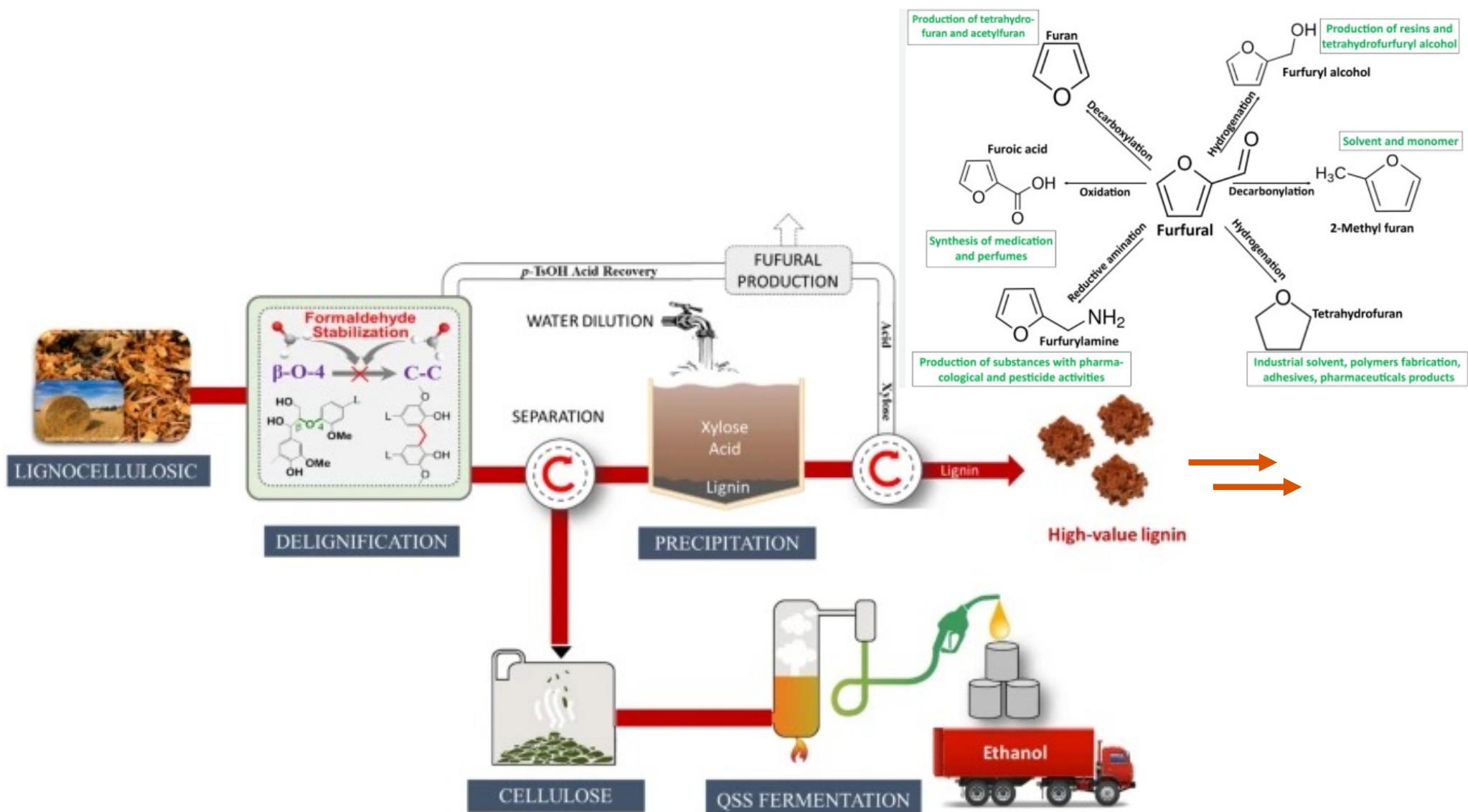
Biomass Supply and Uses in the EU



Flow chart for the feedstocks for the selected bio-based industrial products , (EU-27+UK, 2018)

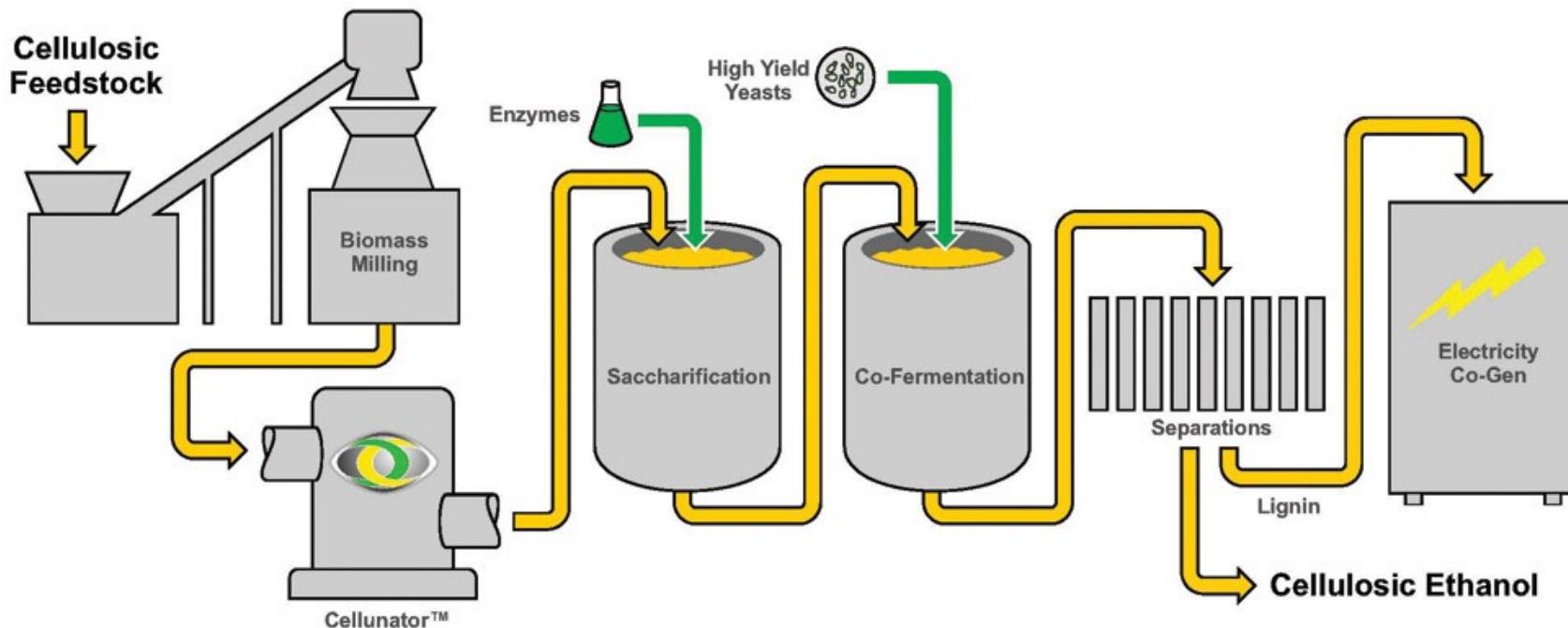
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<https://doi.org/10.3390/su15043064>.

Example: From lignocellulosic residues to products



A hydrotrope pretreatment for stabilized lignin extraction and high titer ethanol production. Ji et al. *Bioresour. Bioprocess.*, 2022, 9:40

Bio-ethanol

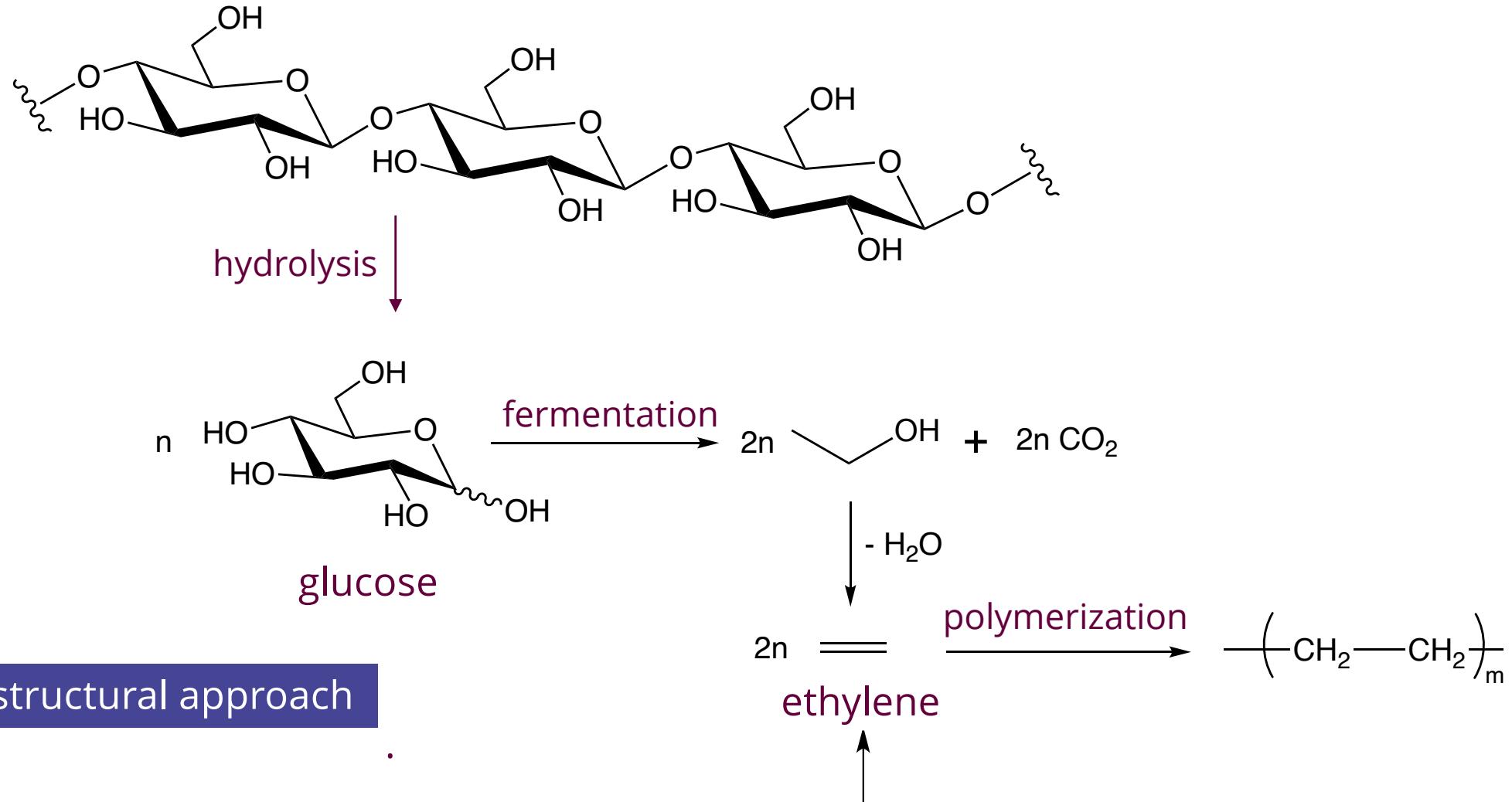


Europe Bioethanol Company List

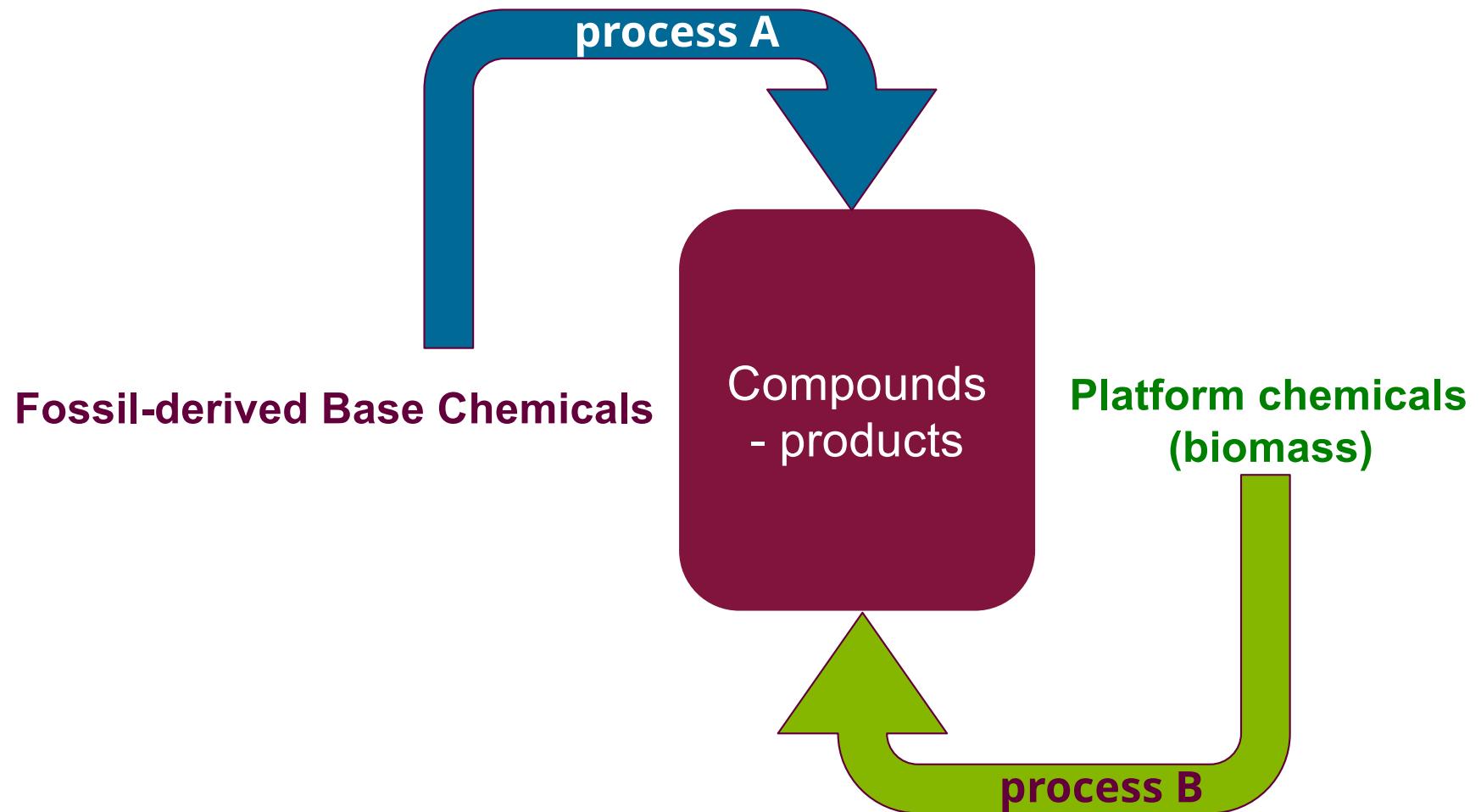
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- Lantmnnen Agroetanol AB
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- AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG
- Cargill
- ALMAGEST AD
- Anora Group Plc
- BIOAGRA S.A.
- RYAM

Source: <https://www.mordorintelligence.com/industry-reports/europe-bioethanol-market/companies>

Examples: Bio-sourced polymers - Polyethylene (PE)



Structural approach



Examples: Bio-sourced polymers – Rilsan

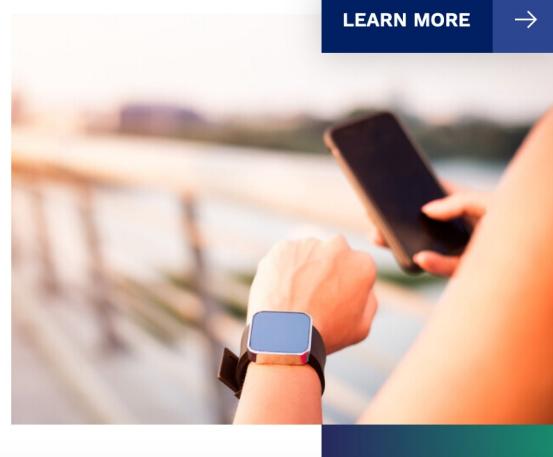


Group Markets Product Families Product Finder Sustainability



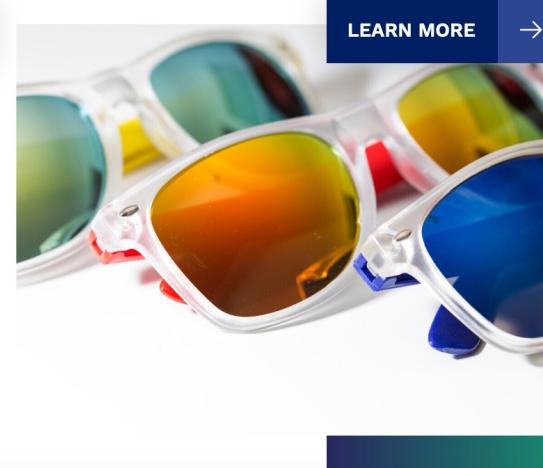
Use advanced bio-circular Rilsan® PA11 for your sustainable, high-performance applications:

Consumer Goods & Electronics



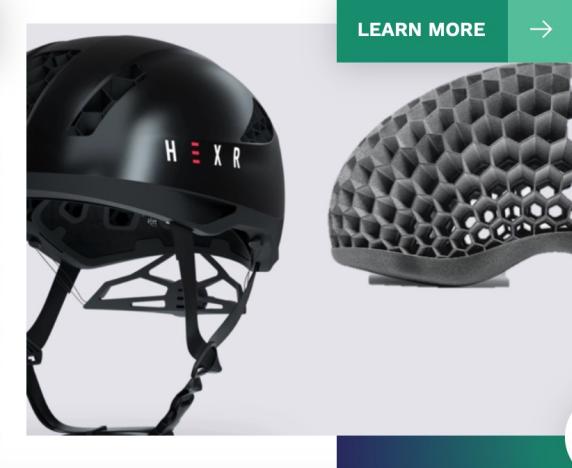
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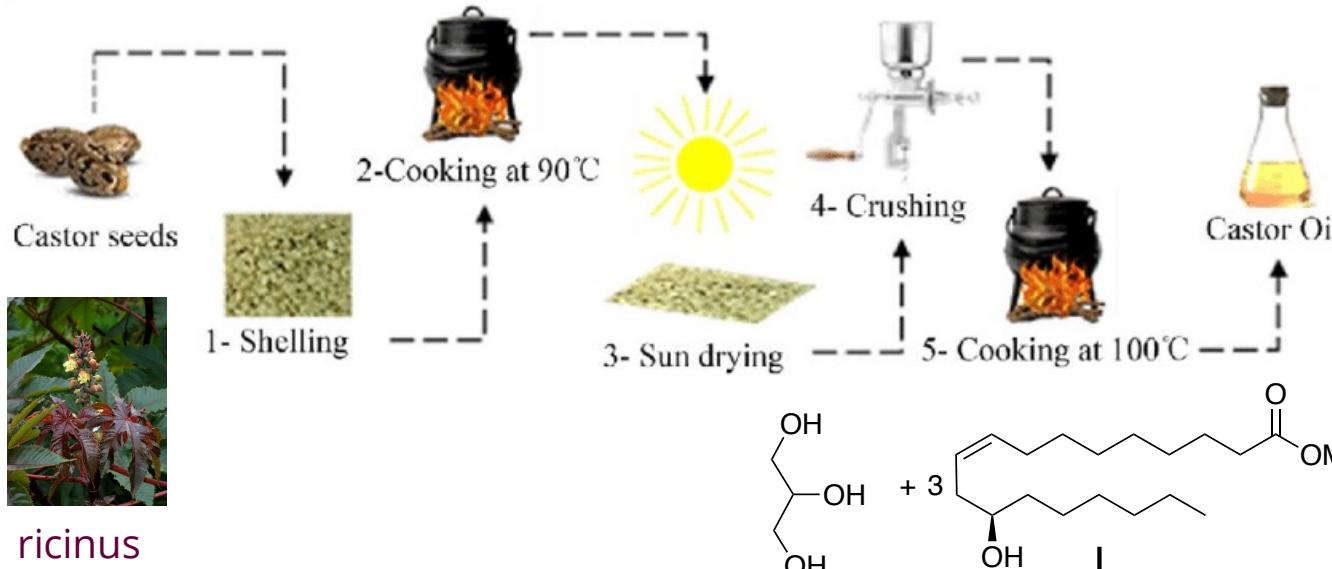
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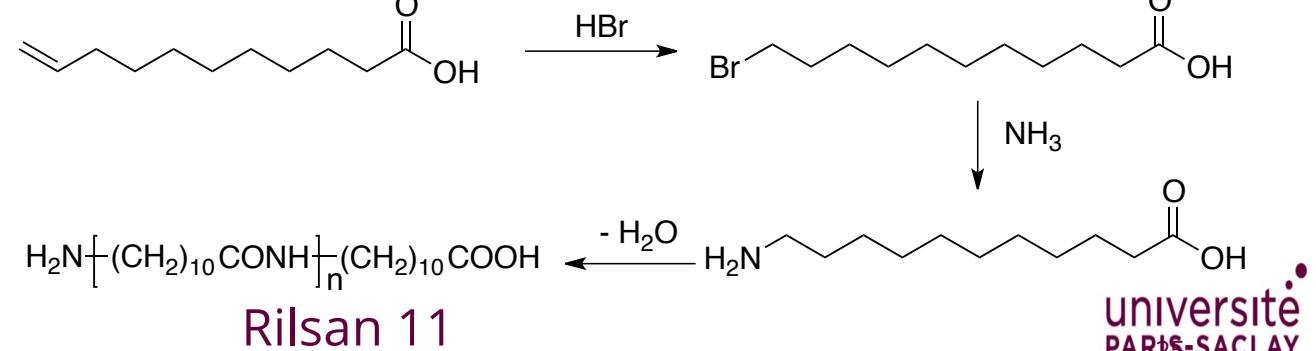
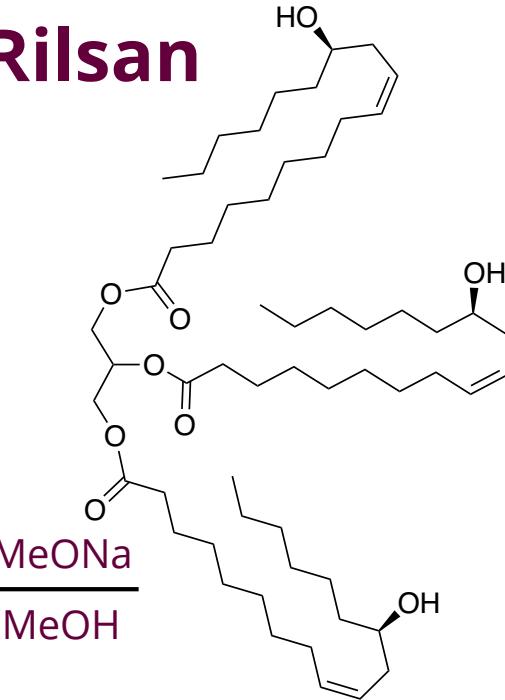
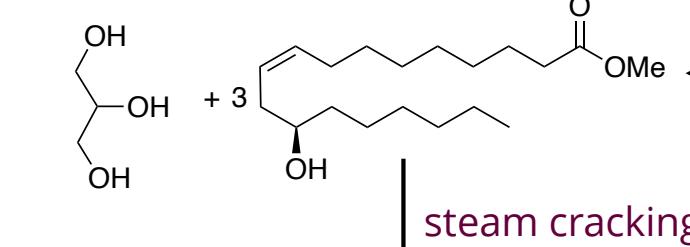
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<https://www.arkema.com/global/en/products/product-finder/product/technicalpolymers/rilsan-family-products/rilsan-pa11/>

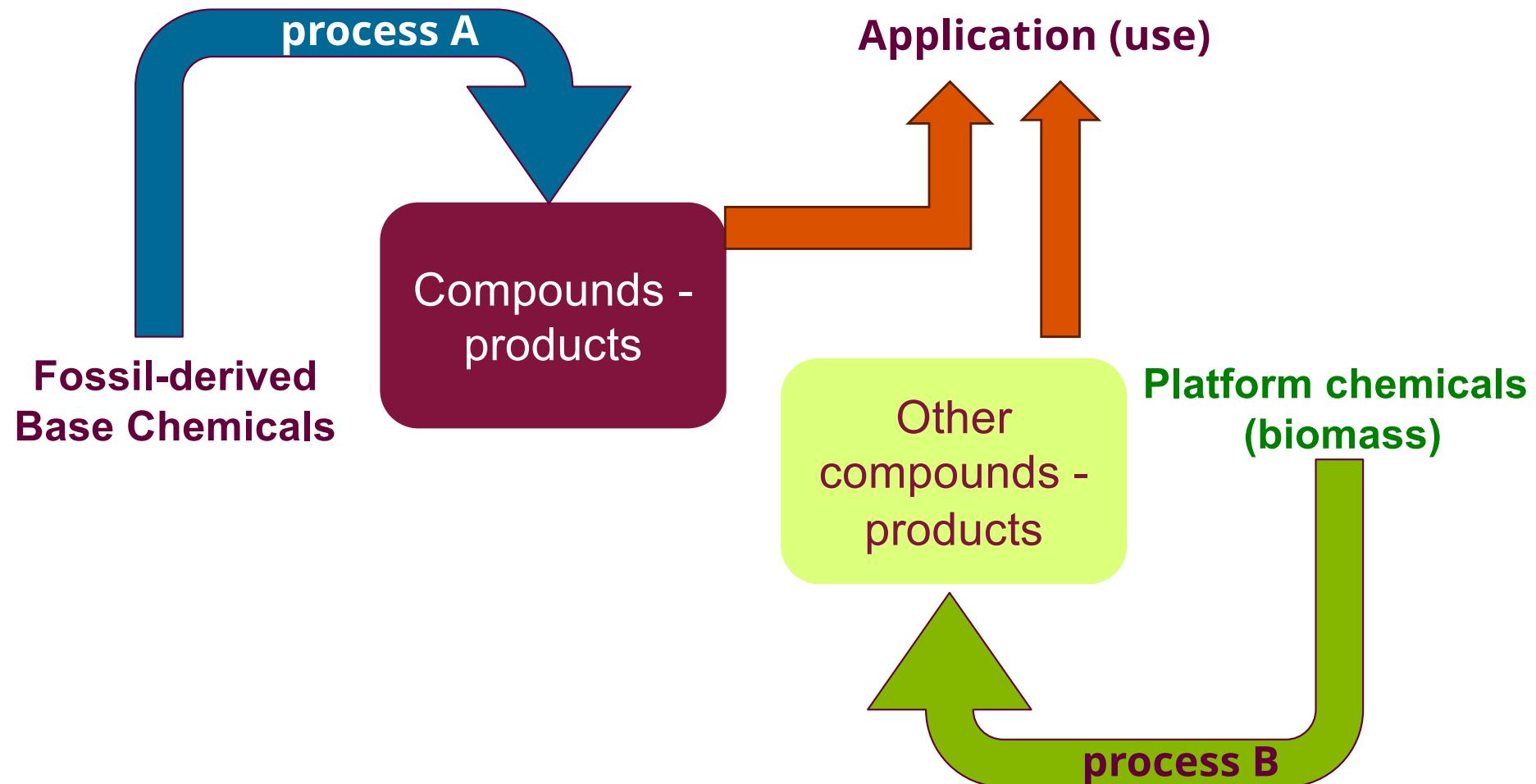
Examples: Bio-sourced polymers – Rilsan



functional approach
(application approach)

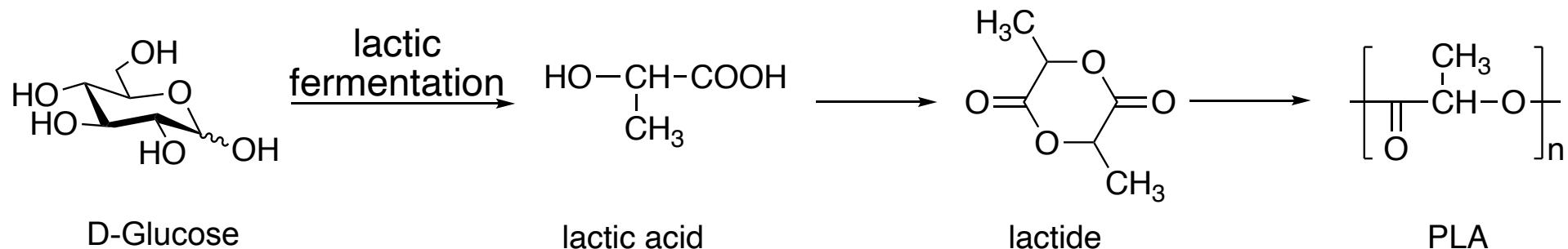


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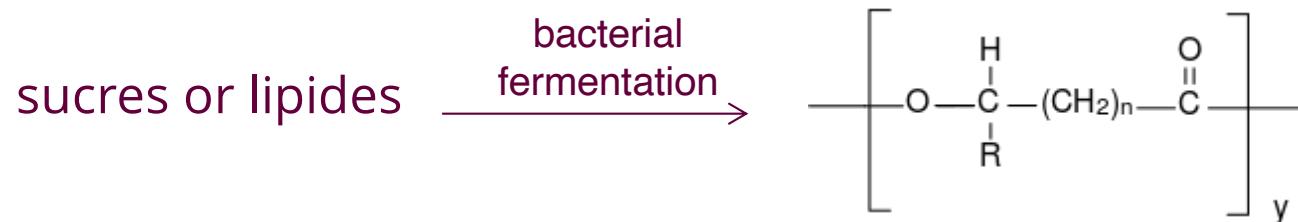


Bio-sourced polymers – other examples

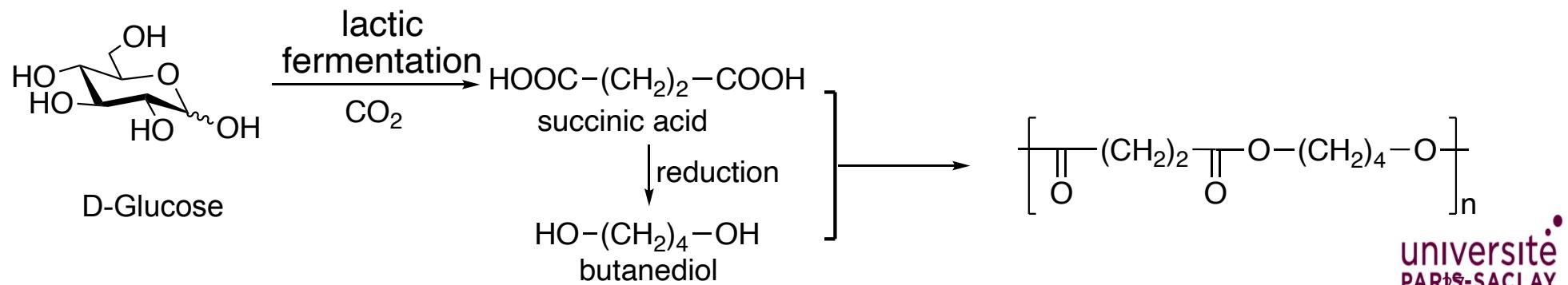
polylactic acid (PLA)



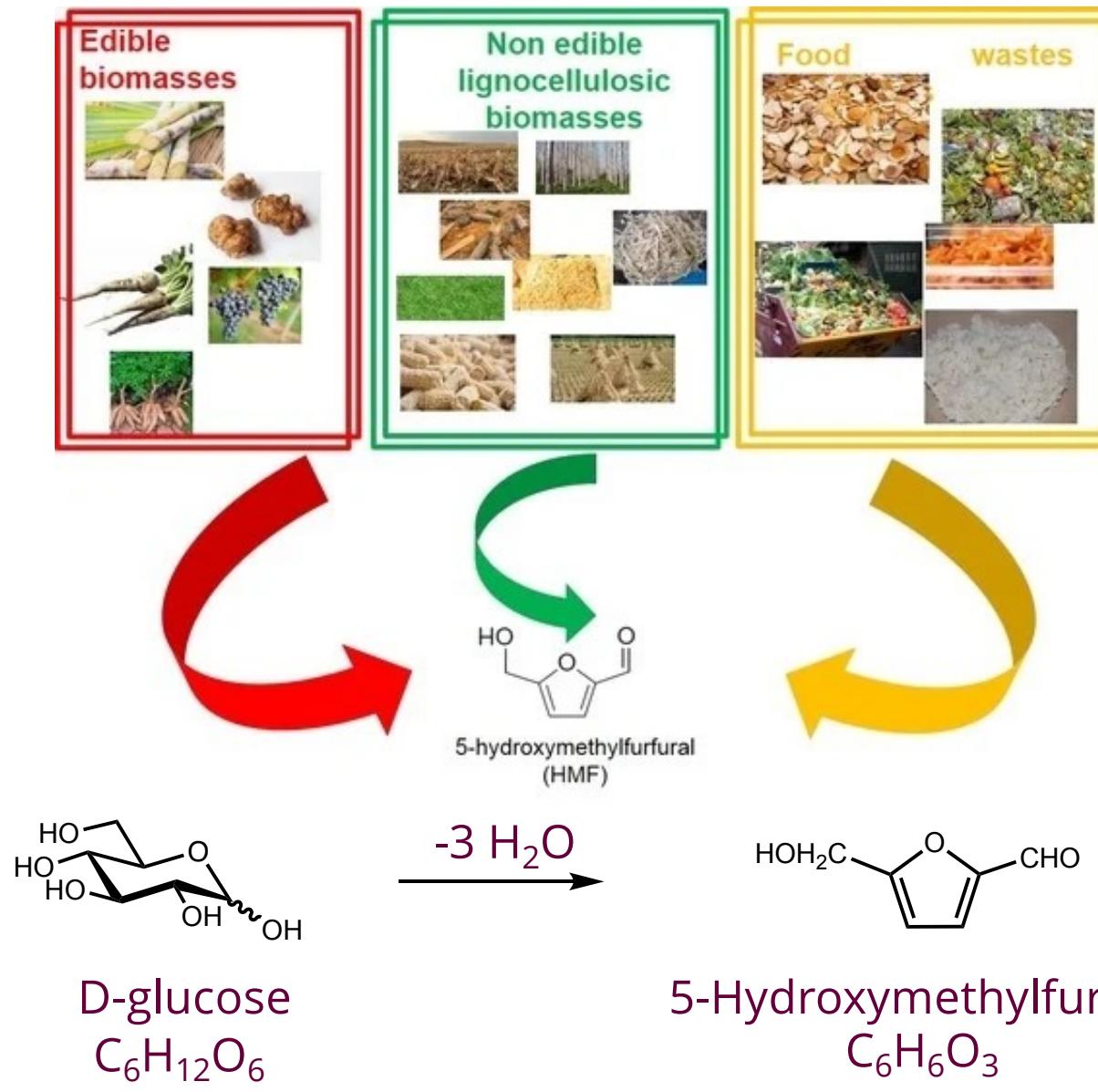
polyhydroxyalkanoates (PHA)



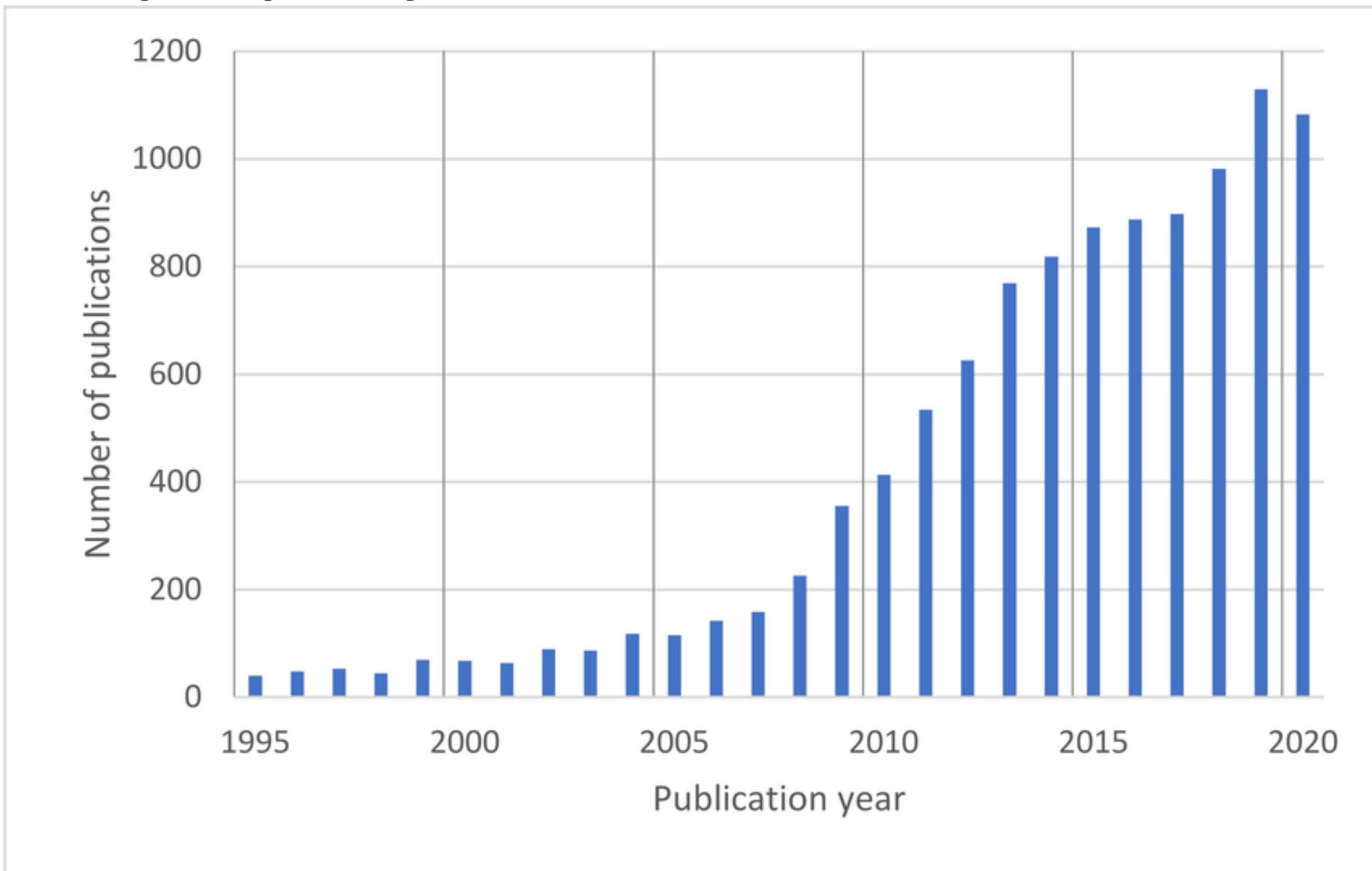
poly(butylene succinate) (PBS)



5-HMF: One of the most intensively studied biomass-derived molecules of the past decade



Publications-on-5-HMF-per-year-keyword-search-for-hydroxymethylfurfural-in-CAS



5-HMF:



Press release

November 13, 2023, Rueil-Malmaison

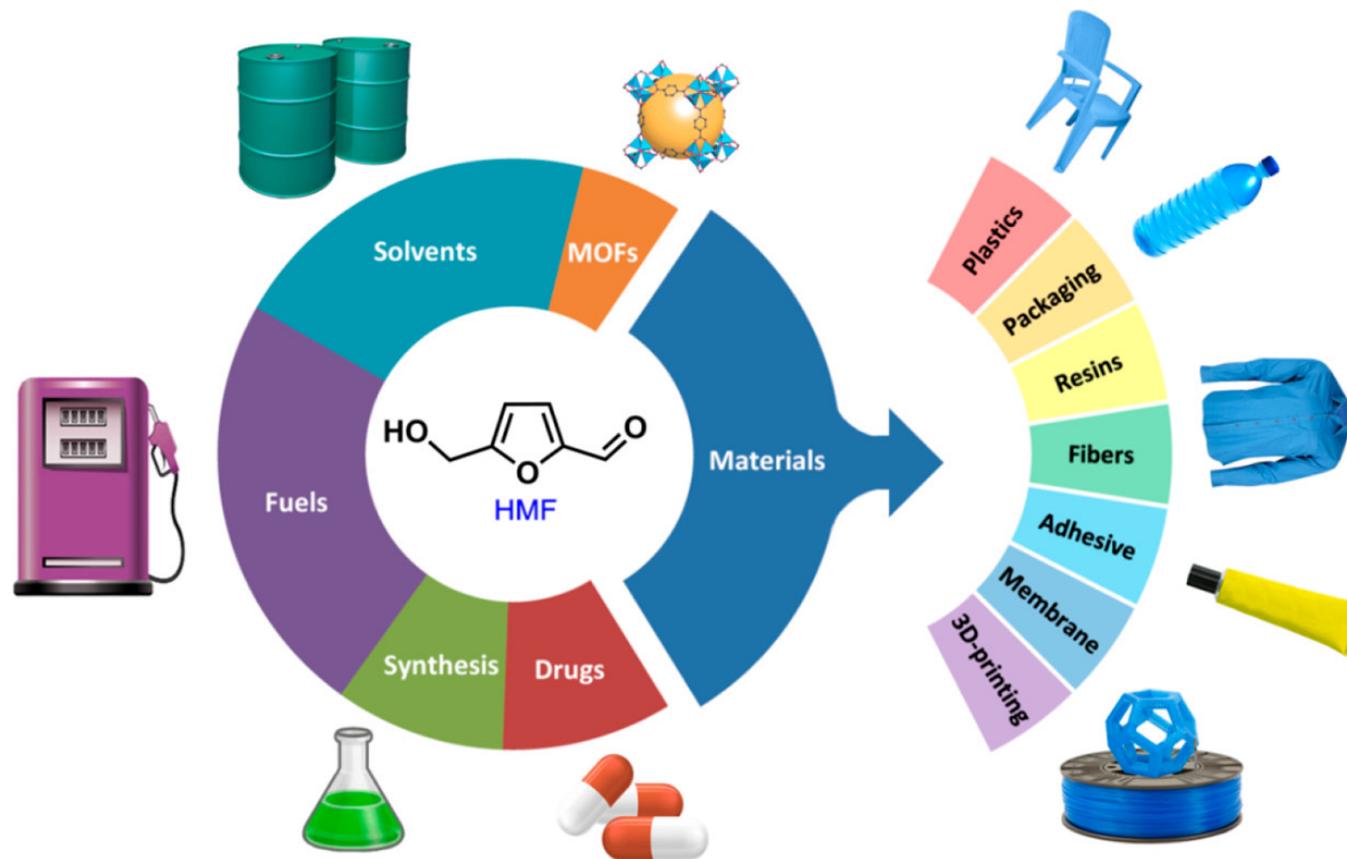
As part of a collaboration initiated at the end of 2021, IFP Energies nouvelles (IFPEN) and ResiCare, a Michelin Group entity, announce that they have co-developed a process for producing the molecule 5-hydroxymethylfurfural (5-HMF) from fructose, particularly used in the manufacture of bio-based resins. All the stages of industrial development have been completed, from tests on various scales to pre-FEED and FEED engineering studies for an industrial unit.

5-HMF, a biobased molecule with multiple applications

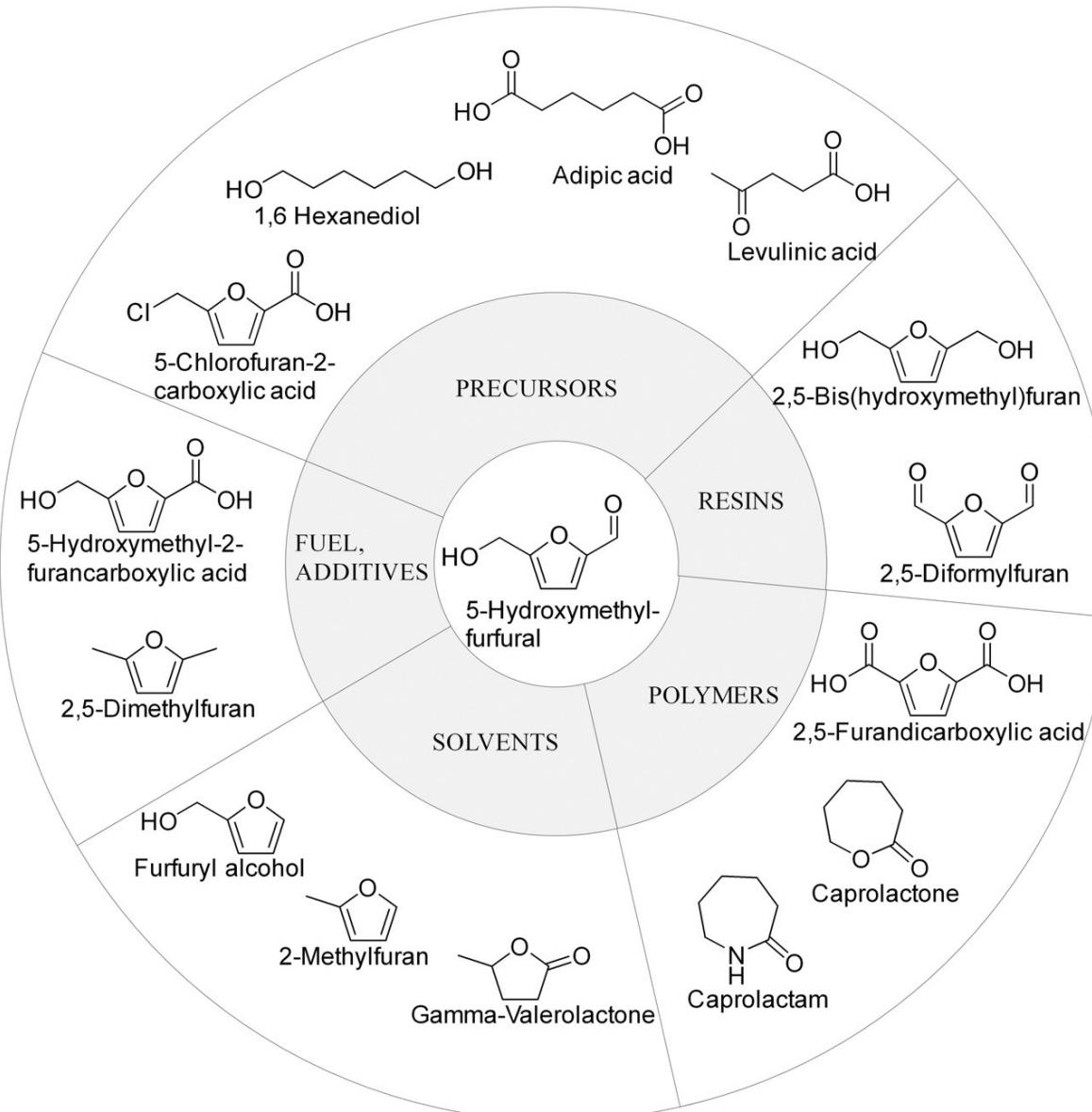
Following ten years of laboratory research on the conversion of fructose into a biosourced molecule, 5-HMF, IFPEN joined forces with ResiCare in 2021 to develop a process for producing 5-HMF on an industrial scale.

<https://www.ifpenergiesnouvelles.com/article/ifp-energies-nouvelles-and-resicare-leaders-development-production-process-non-toxic-biobased-molecule-5-hmf>

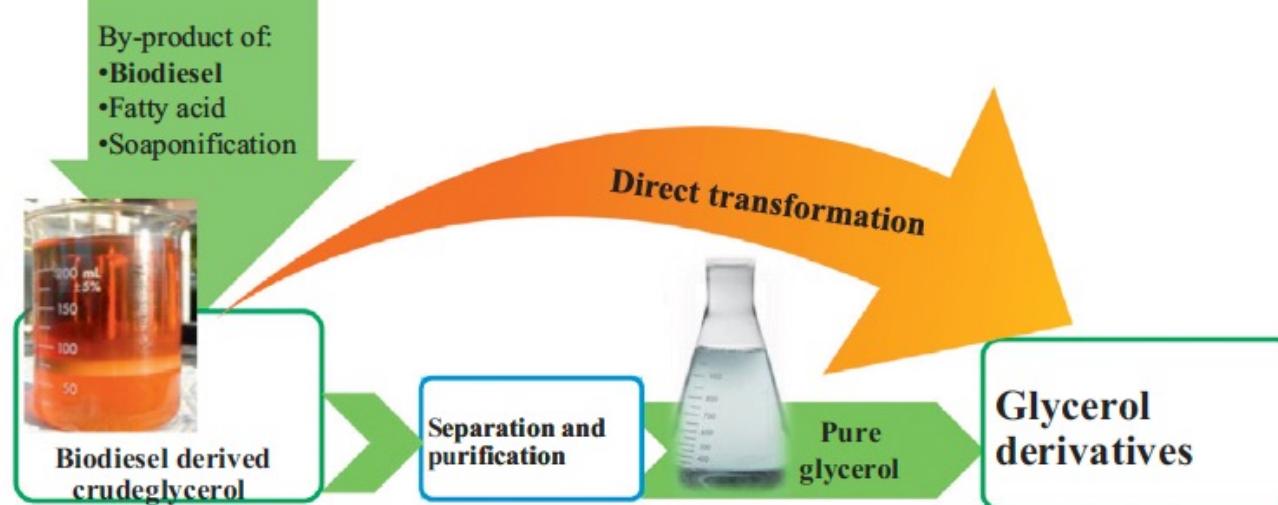
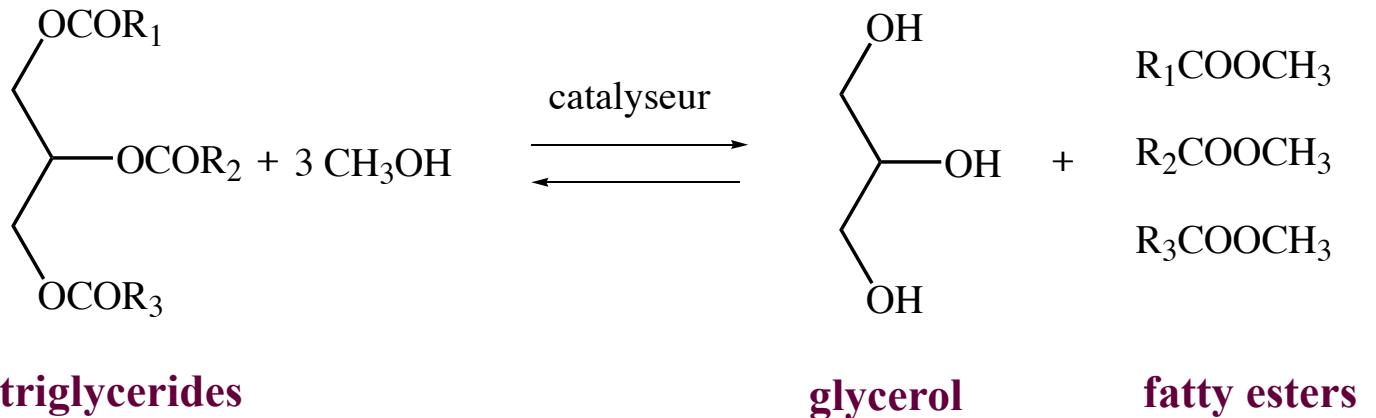
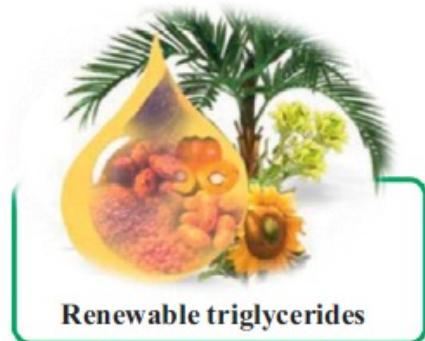
5-HMF: Potential applications



5-HMF: Furanic platform chemical



Glycerol

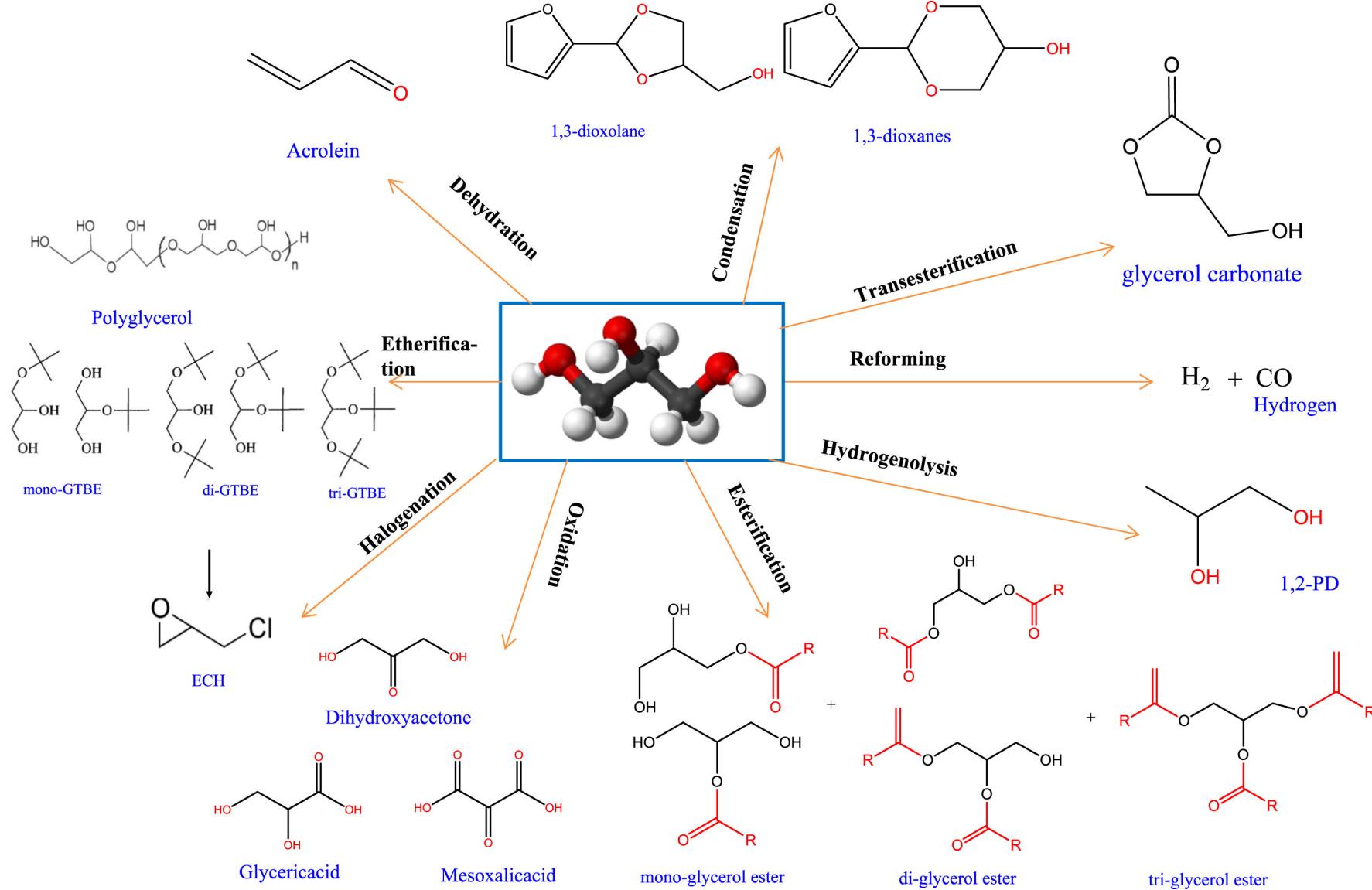


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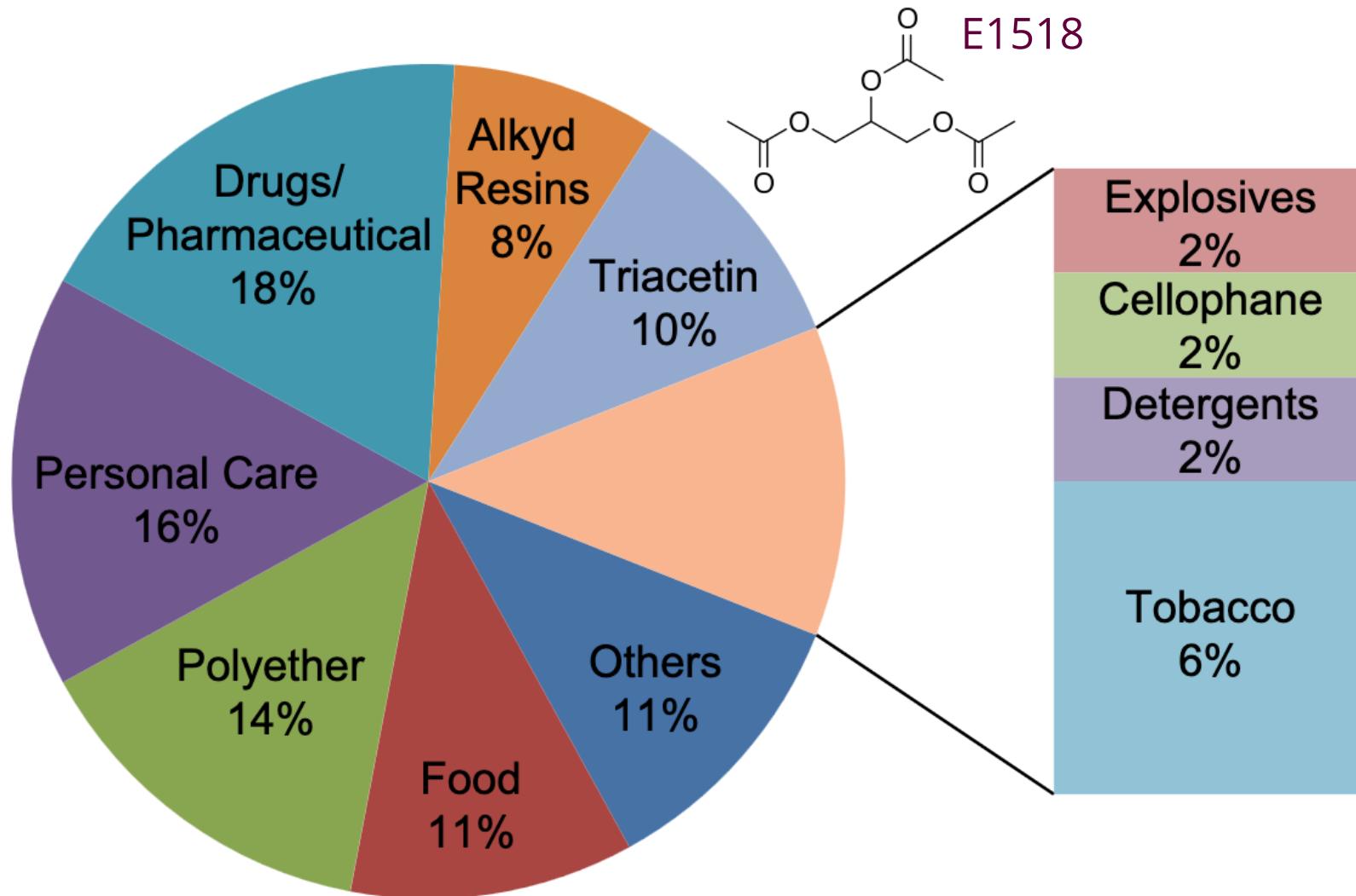
Conversion of crude and pure glycerol into derivatives: A feasibility evaluation

P. S. Kong, M. K. Aroua , W. M. A.W. Daud. Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews 63 (2016) 533–555

Glycerol platform chemicals

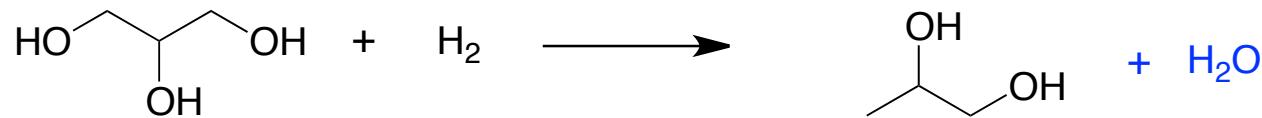


Glycerol industrial applications



Tan, H., Abdul Aziz, A., & Aroua, M. (2013). Glycerol production and its applications as a raw material: A review. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews*, 27, 118-127.

Glycerol platform chemicals: 1,2-propanediol



Adkins catalyst: $\text{Cu}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_5$
(copper chromite)

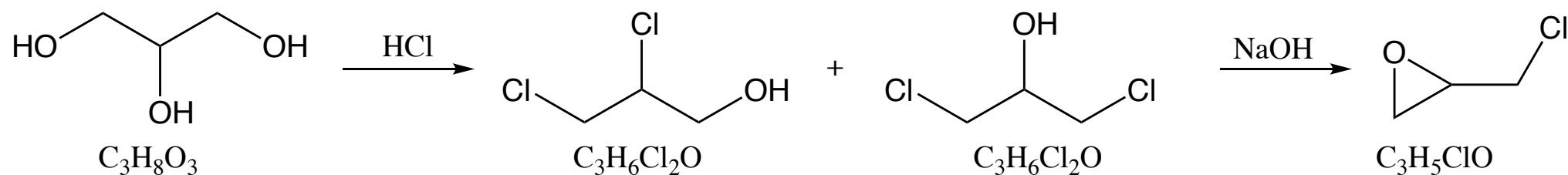
Antifreeze, additives in pharmaceuticals, foods, cosmetics, liquid detergents, tobacco humectants and paints

Oleon, (oleochemical company), collaborated with BASF to establish a manufacturing plant to produce bio-1,2-PD from glycerol in Ertvelde, Belgium, in 2012. Oleon is the first company to produce bio- 1,2-PD commercial worldwide.



Glycerol platform chemicals: épichlorhydrine

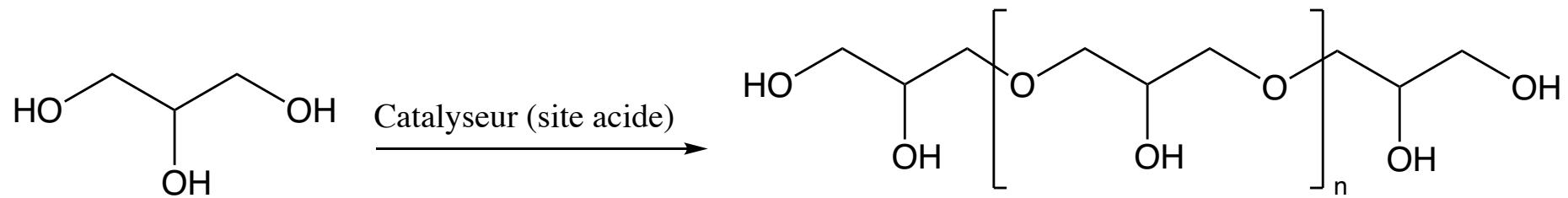
A chemical intermediate mainly used to manufacture epoxy resins, elastomers, polyamide-epichlorohydrin resins, polyols and various glycidyl derivatives.



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Momentive Performance Materials Holdings LLC (USA)
Solvay Chemicals SA (Belgium)
Shandong Haili Chemical Industry Co. Ltd (China)
NAMA Chemicals (Saudi Arabia)
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Glycerol platform chemicals: polyglycérols

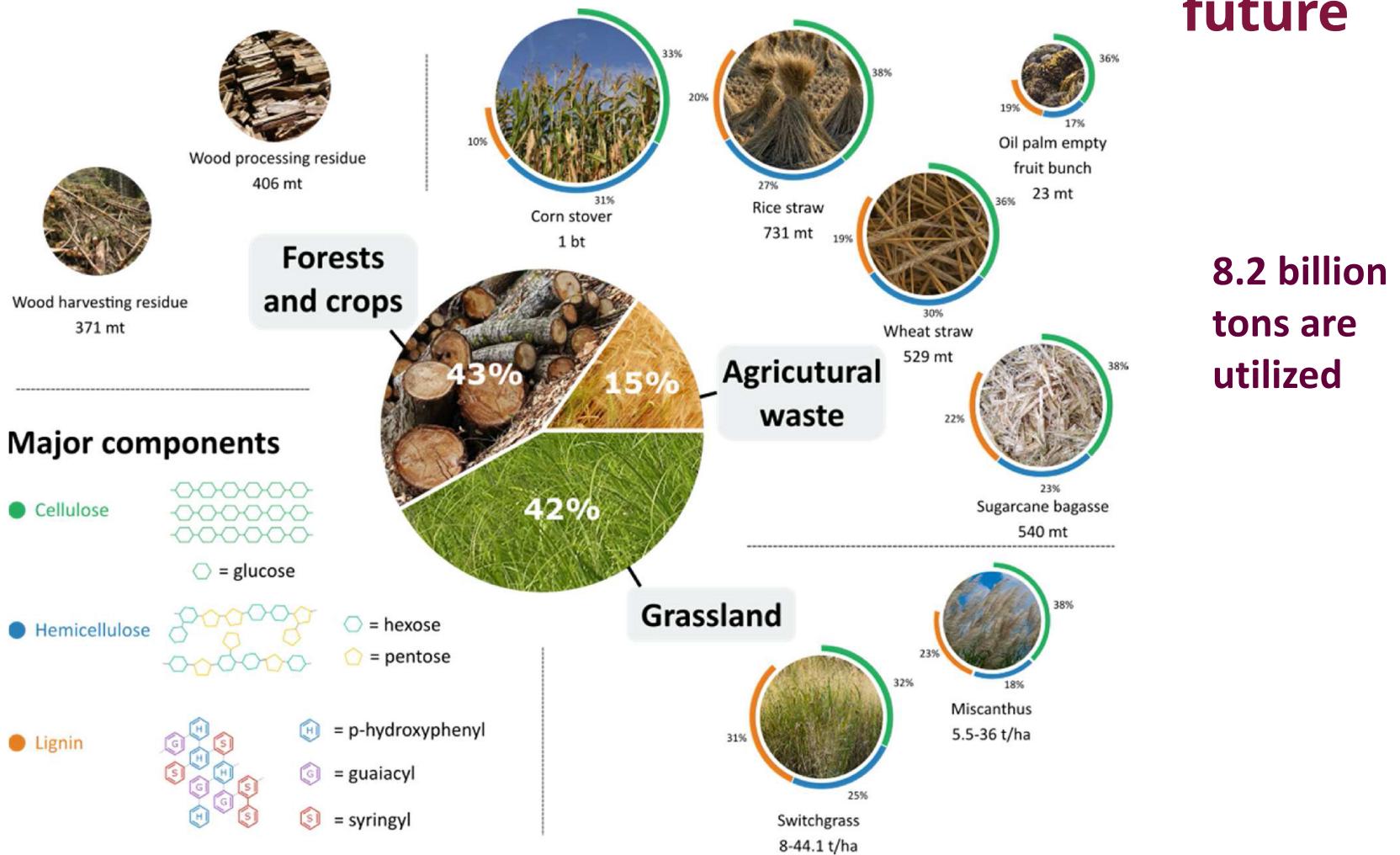


Nonionic surfactants widely used in cosmetics, additives, lubricants, biomedical and drug delivery systems.

Solvay (Belgium)
Sakamoto (Japan)



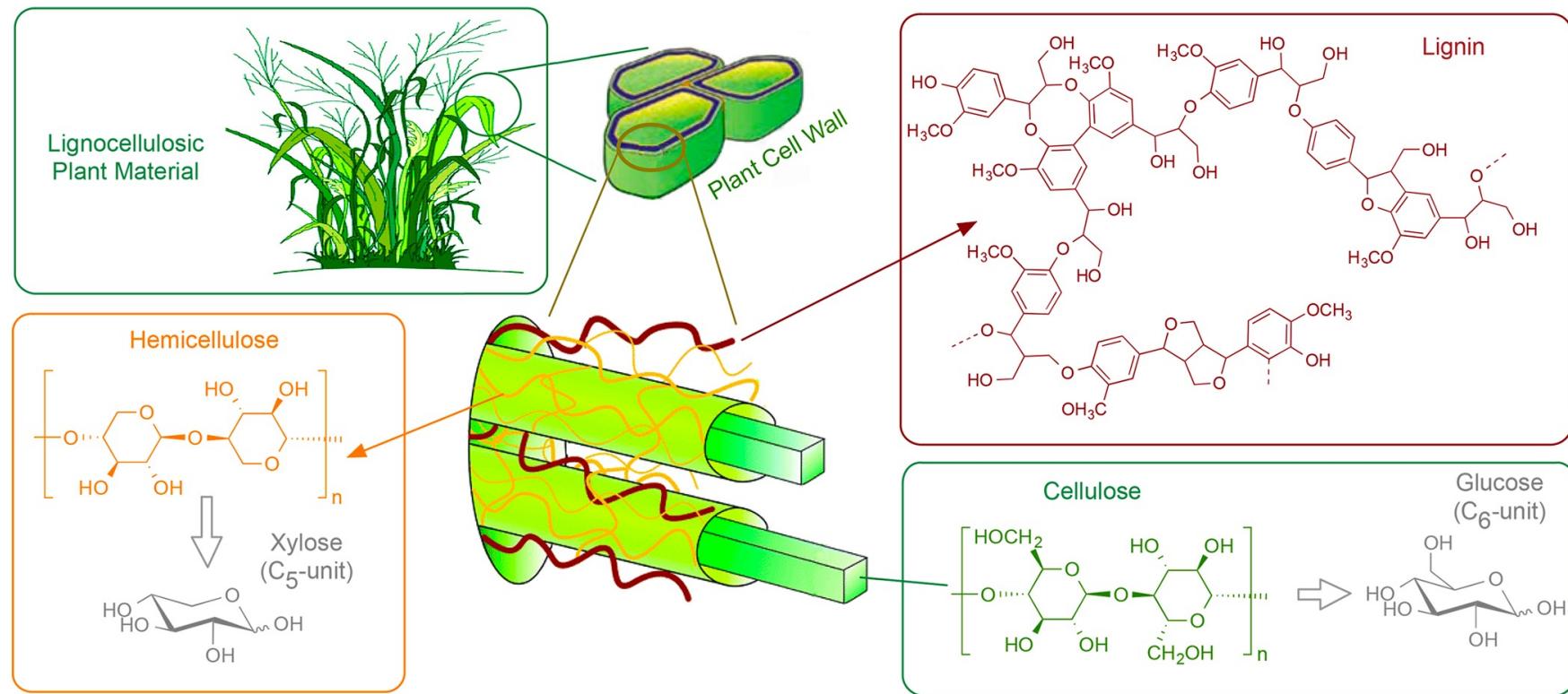
Lignocellulosic biomass (180-billion-ton annual production rate) a promising feedstock for commodity chemicals and transportation fuels for a low carbon future



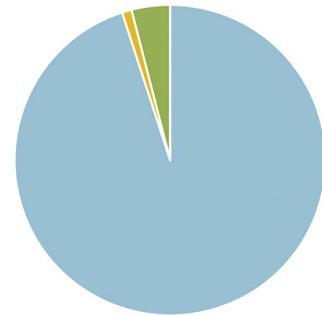
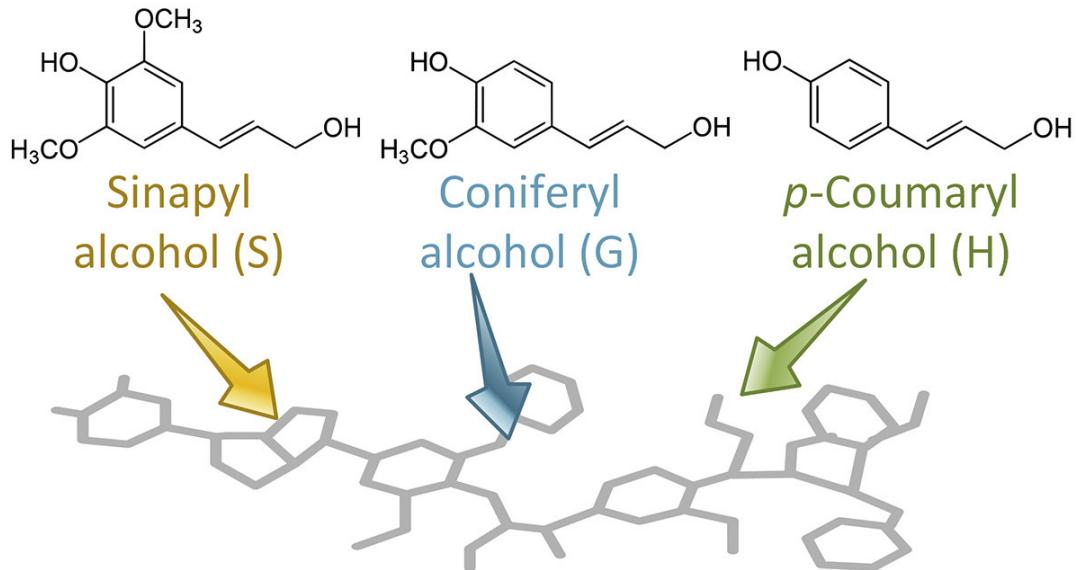
Average concentration of cellulose, hemicellulose, lignin, and annual yield of some lignocellulosic biomass

Catalytic conversion of lignocellulosic biomass into chemicals and fuels, W. Deng et al. *Green Energy Environ.*, 2023, 8, 10-114.

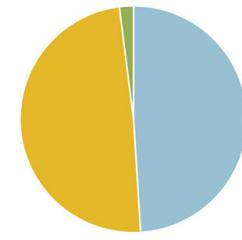
Schematic illustration of lignocellulose



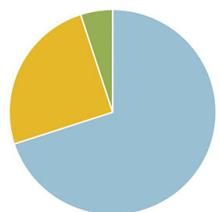
Lignin composition



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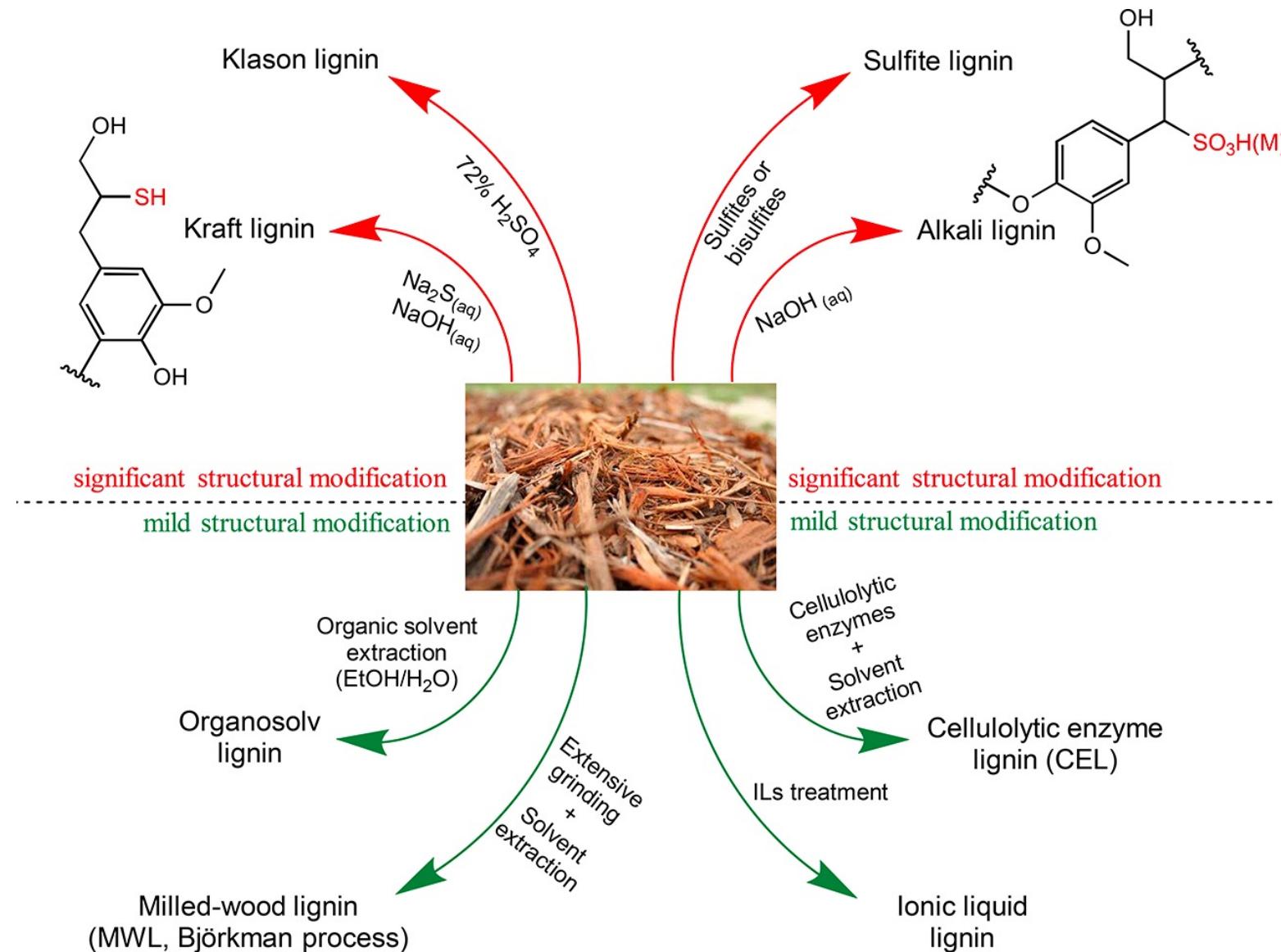
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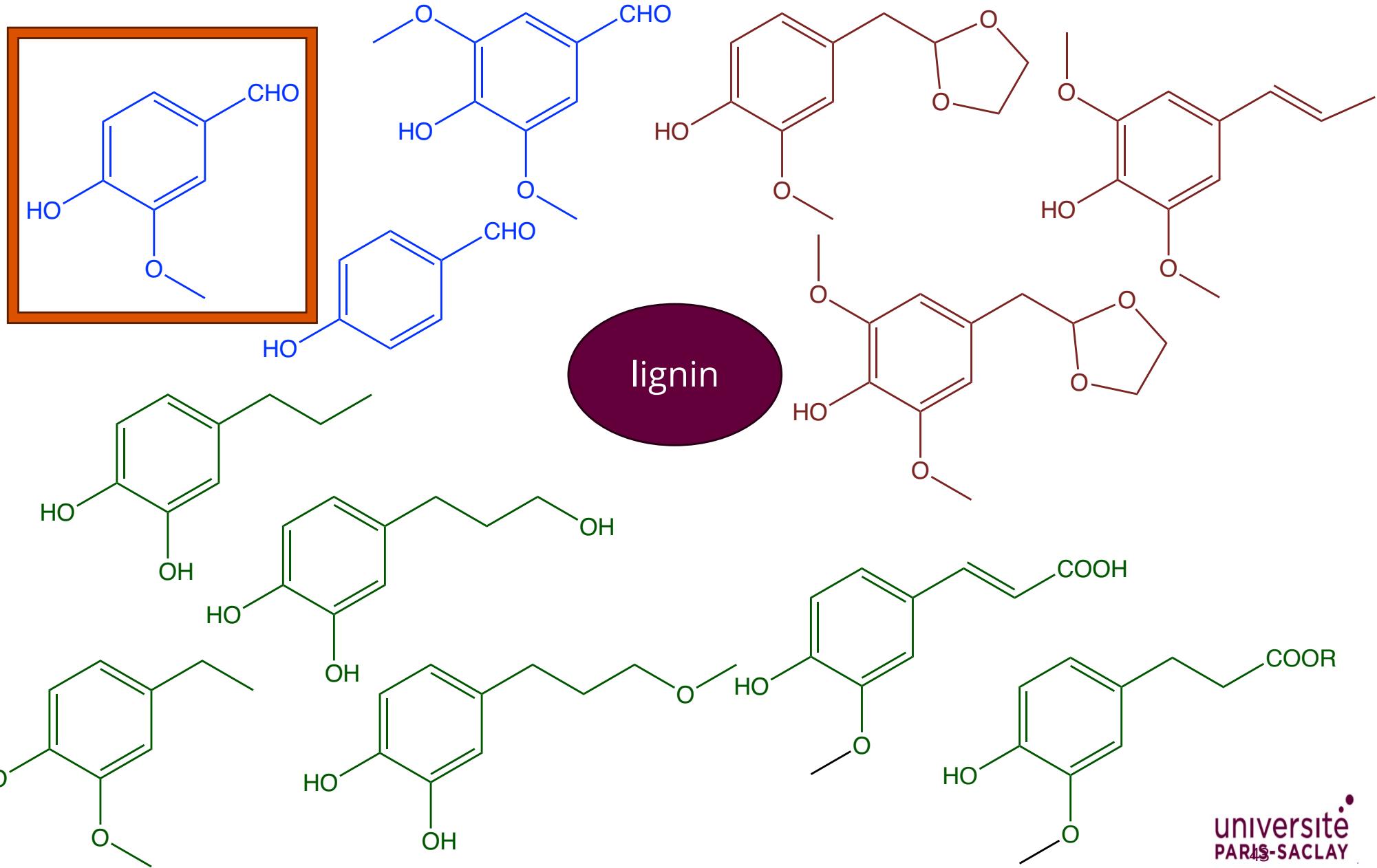
Herbaceous

Plant Type	<i>p</i> -Coumaryl Alcohol (%)	Coniferyl Alcohol (%)	Sinapyl Alcohol (%)
Coniferous; softwoods	<5 ^a	>95	0 ^b
Eudicotyledonous; hardwoods	0–8	25–50	45–75
Monocotyledonous; grasses	5–35	35–80	20–55

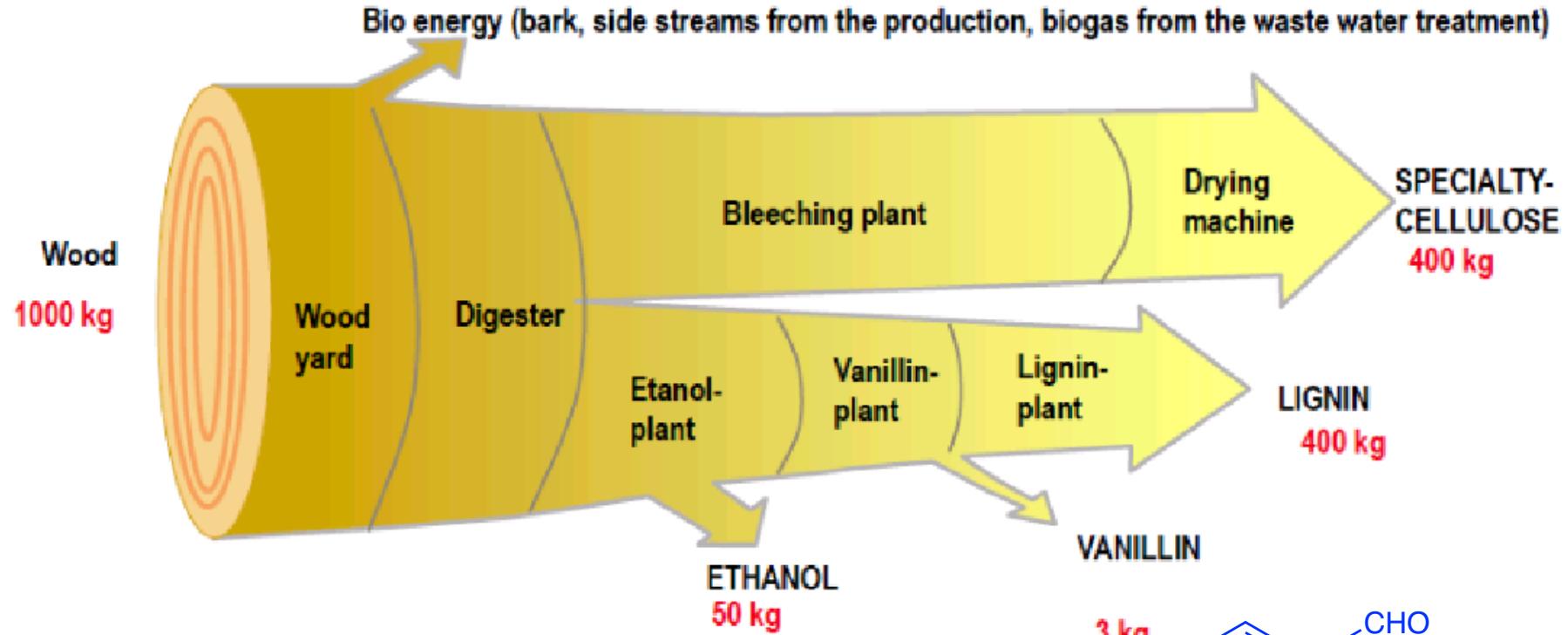
Different structures depending on the procedures for isolation of lignin from lignocellulose



Lignin-derived monomers



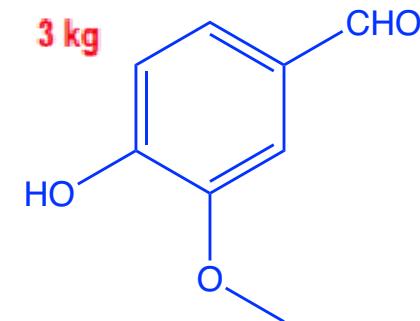
Exemple : Borregaard biorefinerie (Norway)



15% of the world's production of vanillin
is produced from lignosulfonates



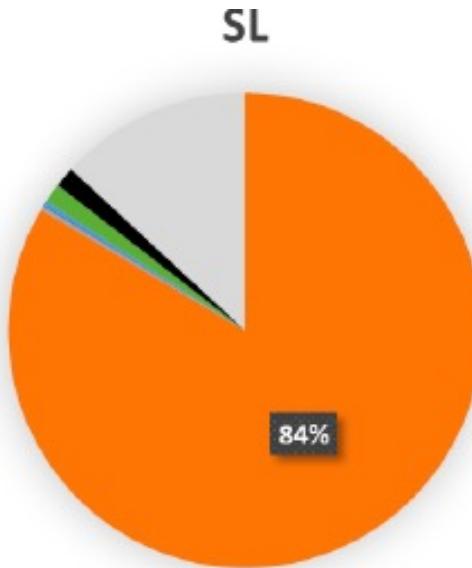
Borregaard



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SL=grass soda lignin (Protobind 1000, Green value LLC)

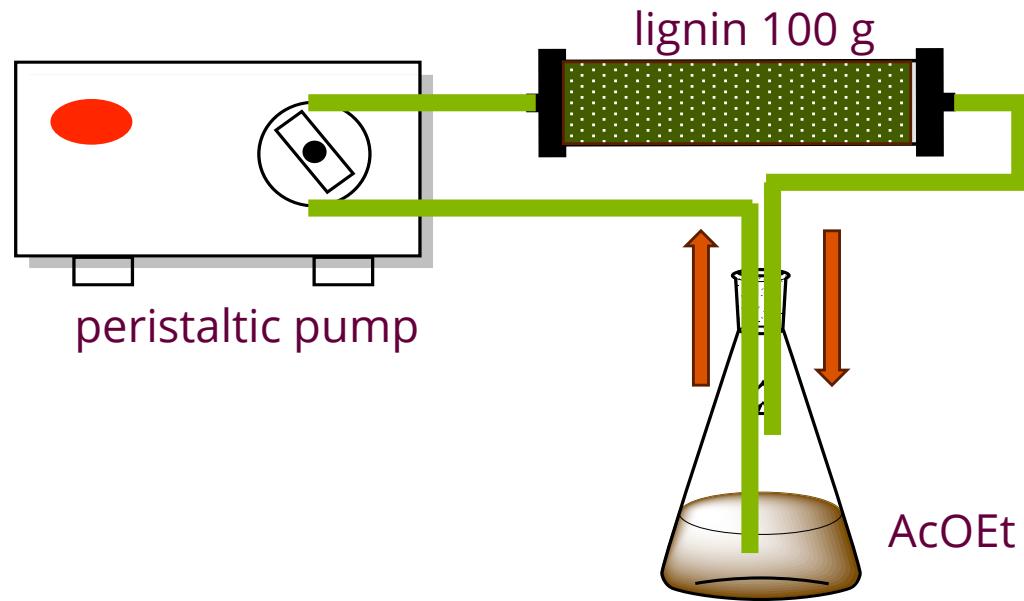


Klason lignin is the residue obtained after acid hydrolysis of the carbohydrate portion of the plant

Collaboration : S. Baumberger, AgroParisTech

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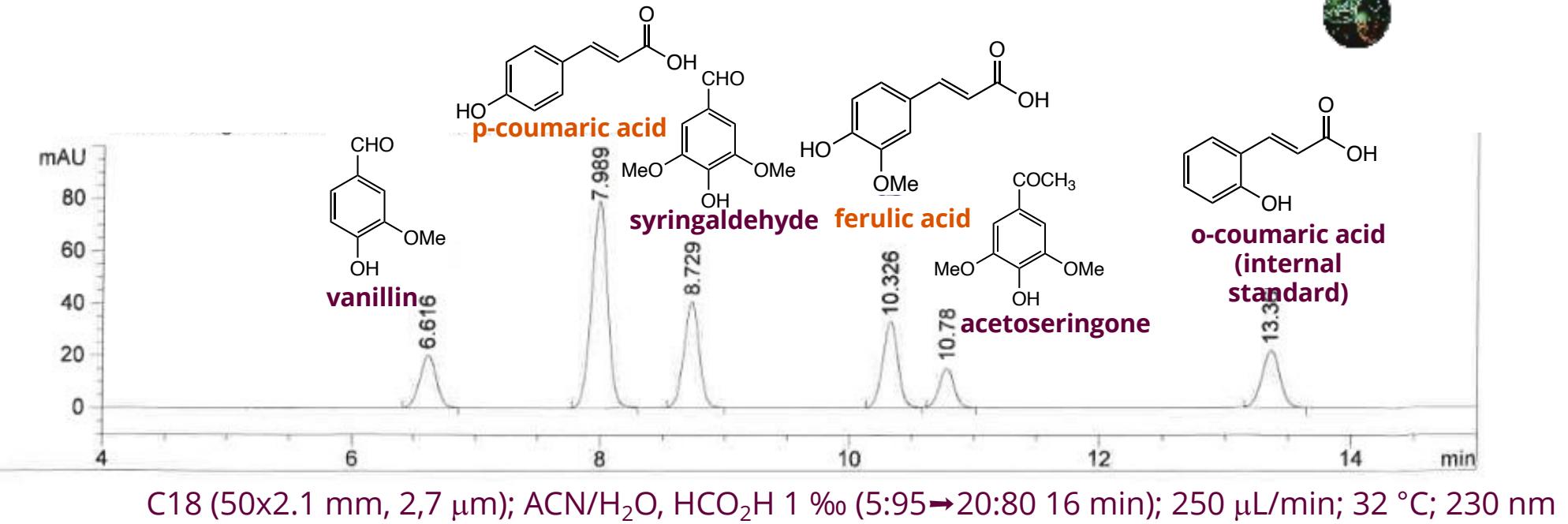
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Continuous extraction of phenolic compounds

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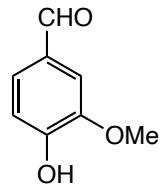
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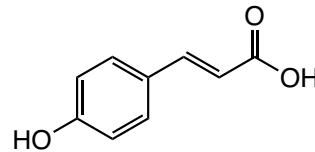
vanillin	6.5 g
p-coumaric acid	2.8 g
syringaldehyde	7.7 g
ferulic acid	1.8 g
acetoseringone	11.5 g

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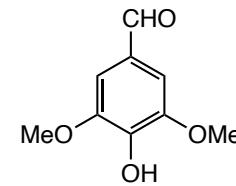
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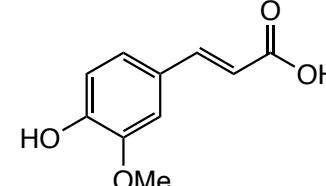
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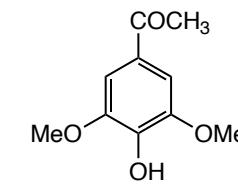
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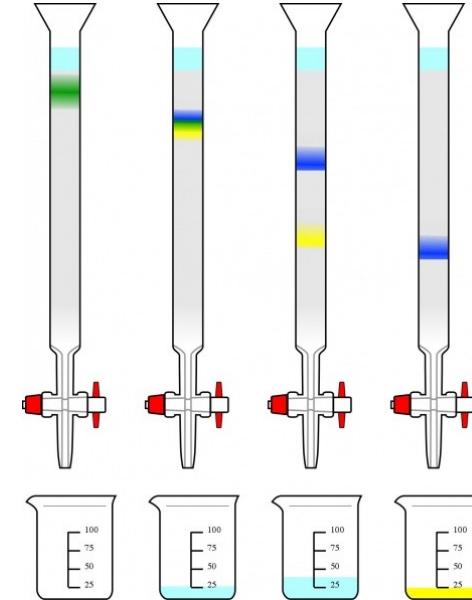
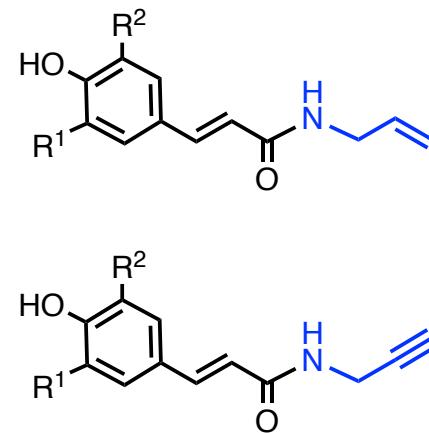
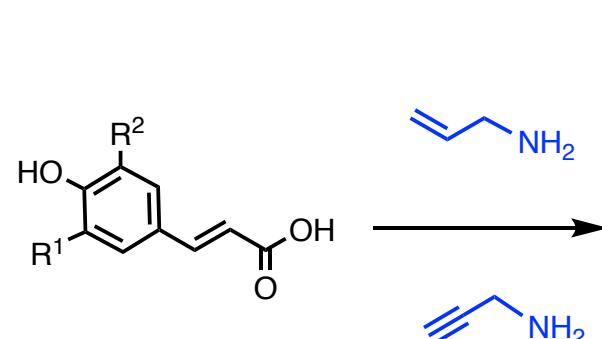
syringaldehyde



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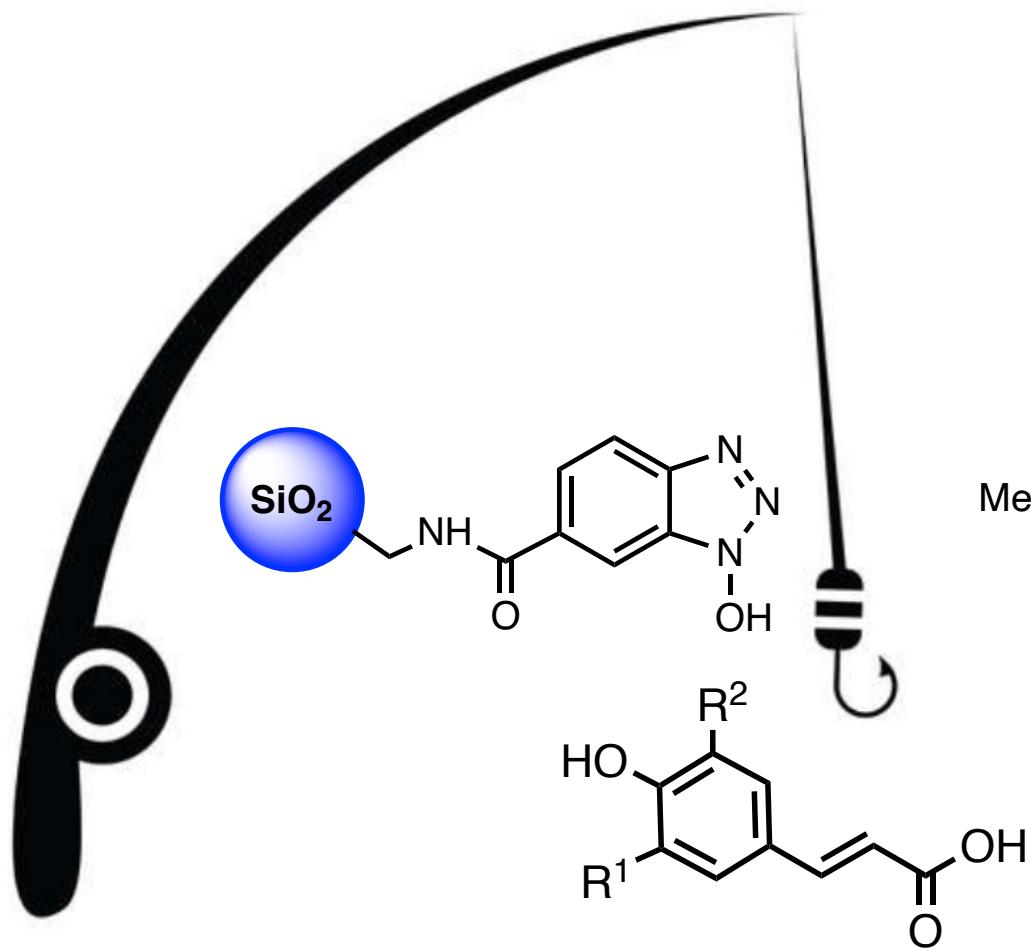


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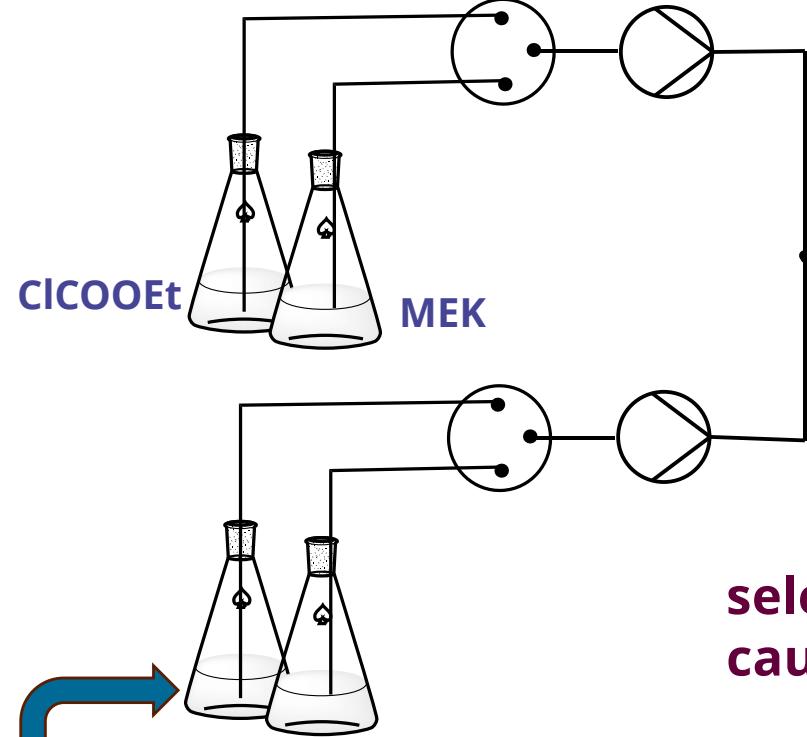


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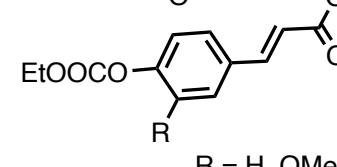
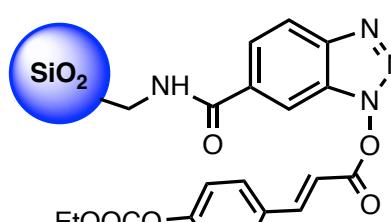
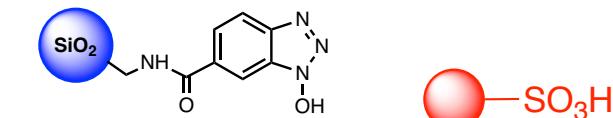
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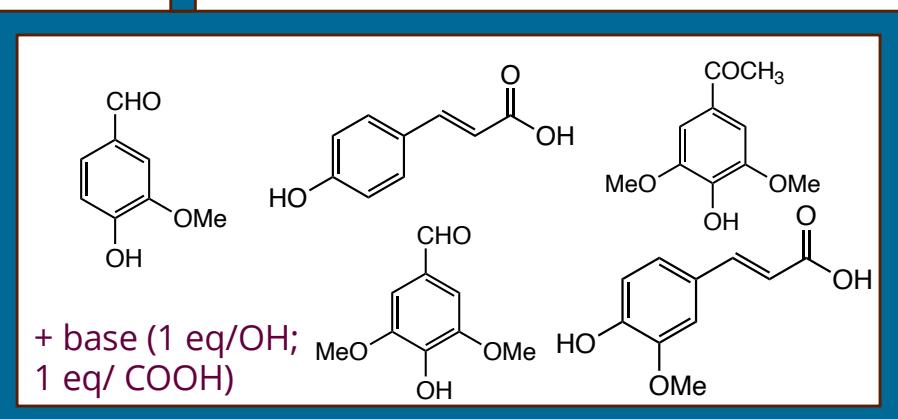
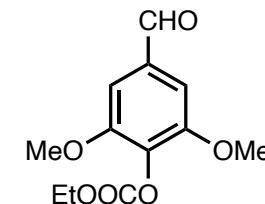
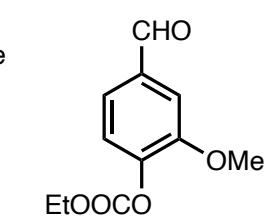
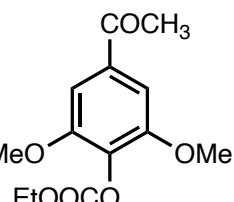
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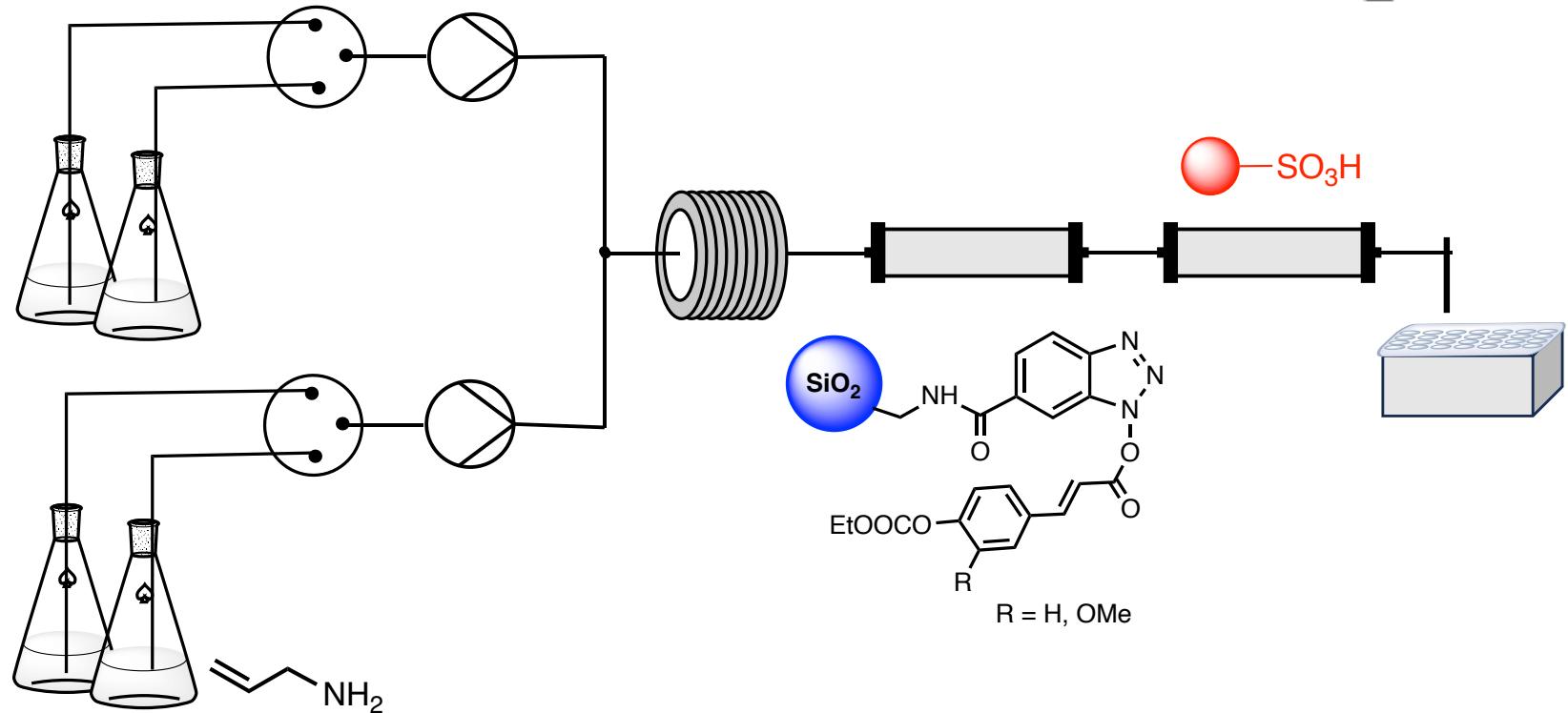
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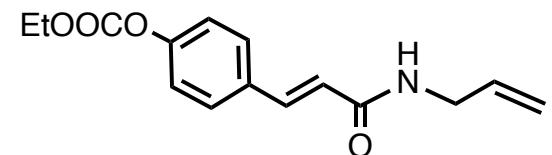
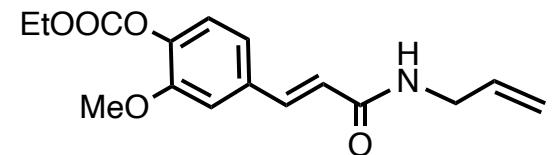
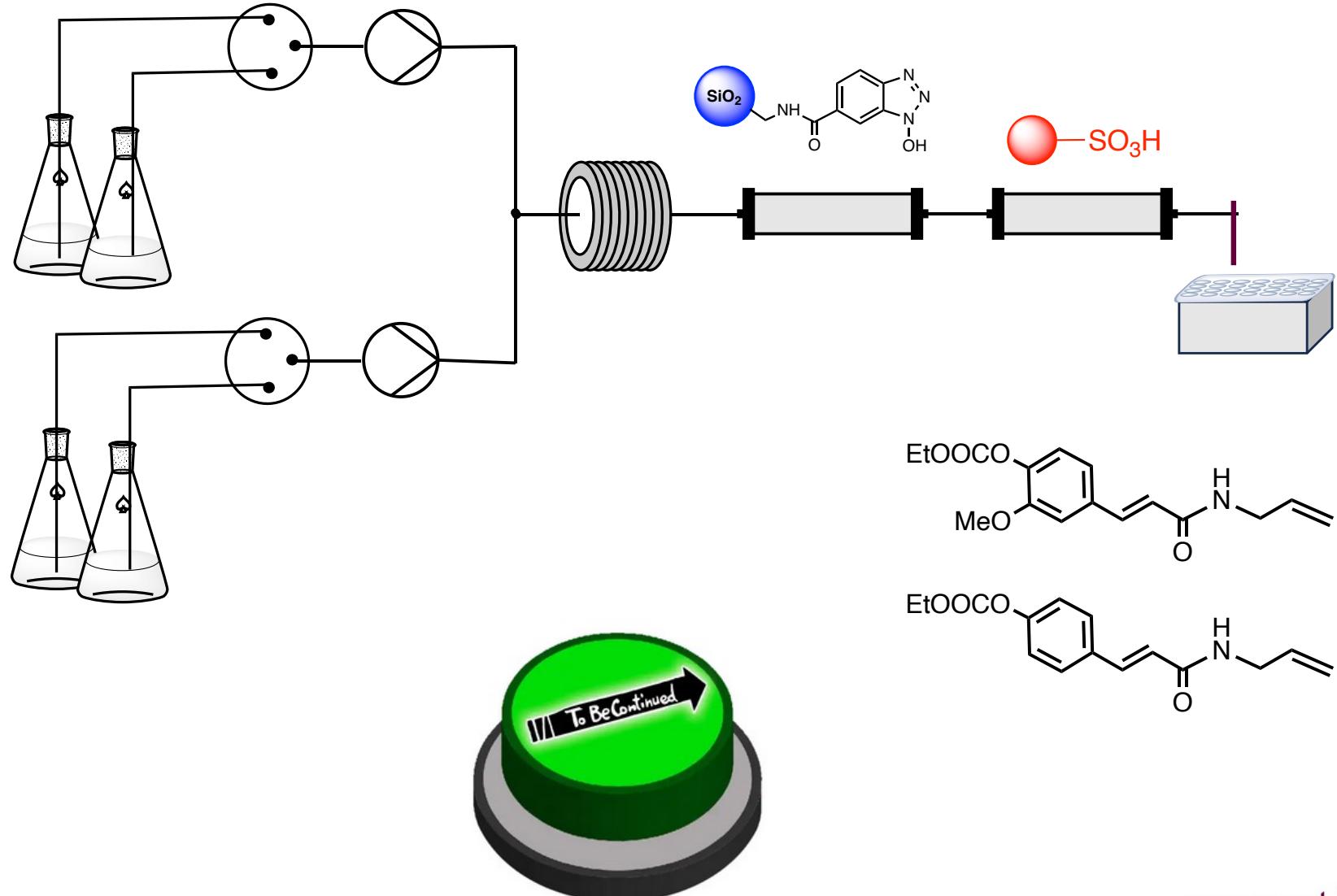
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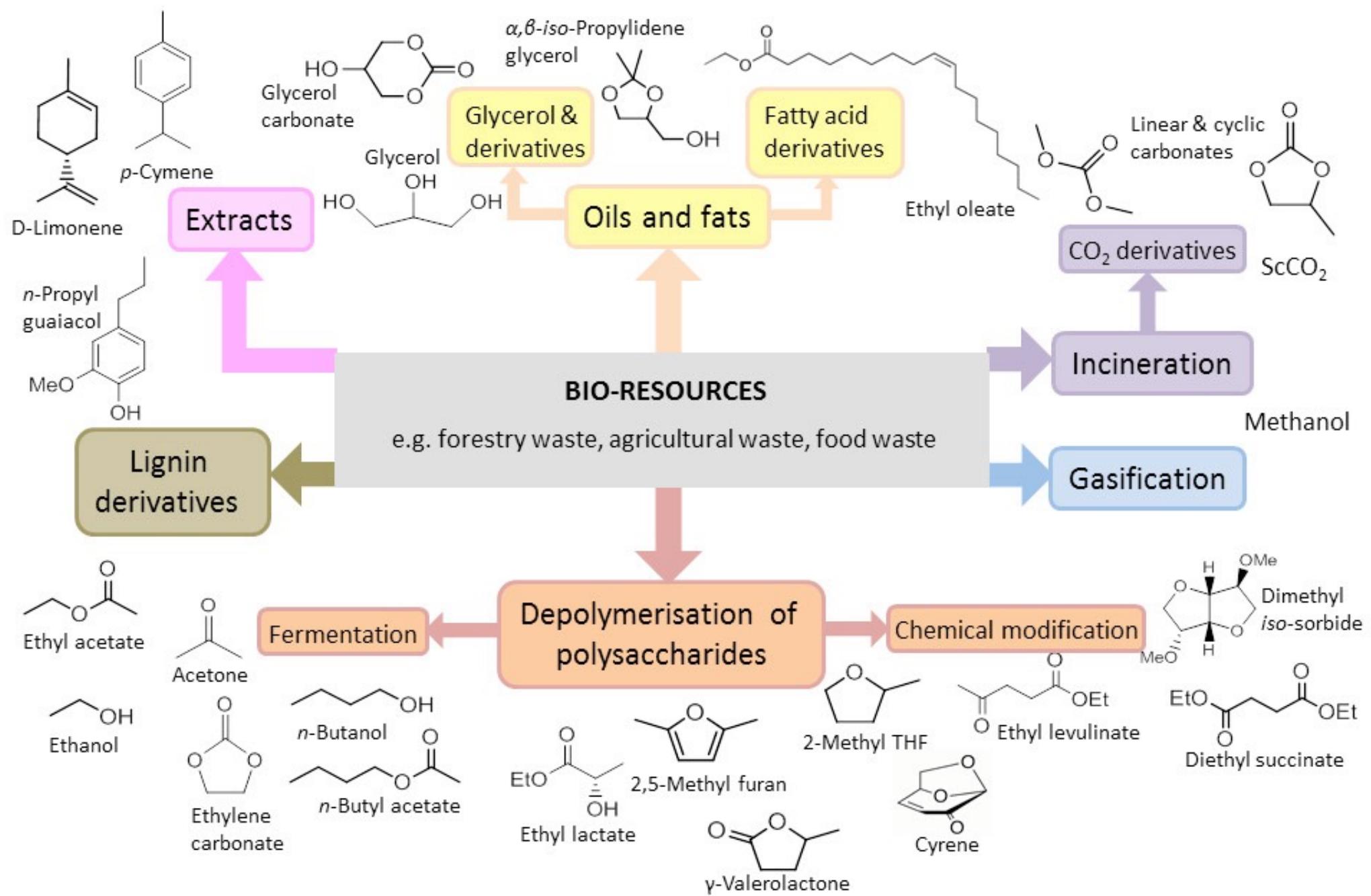


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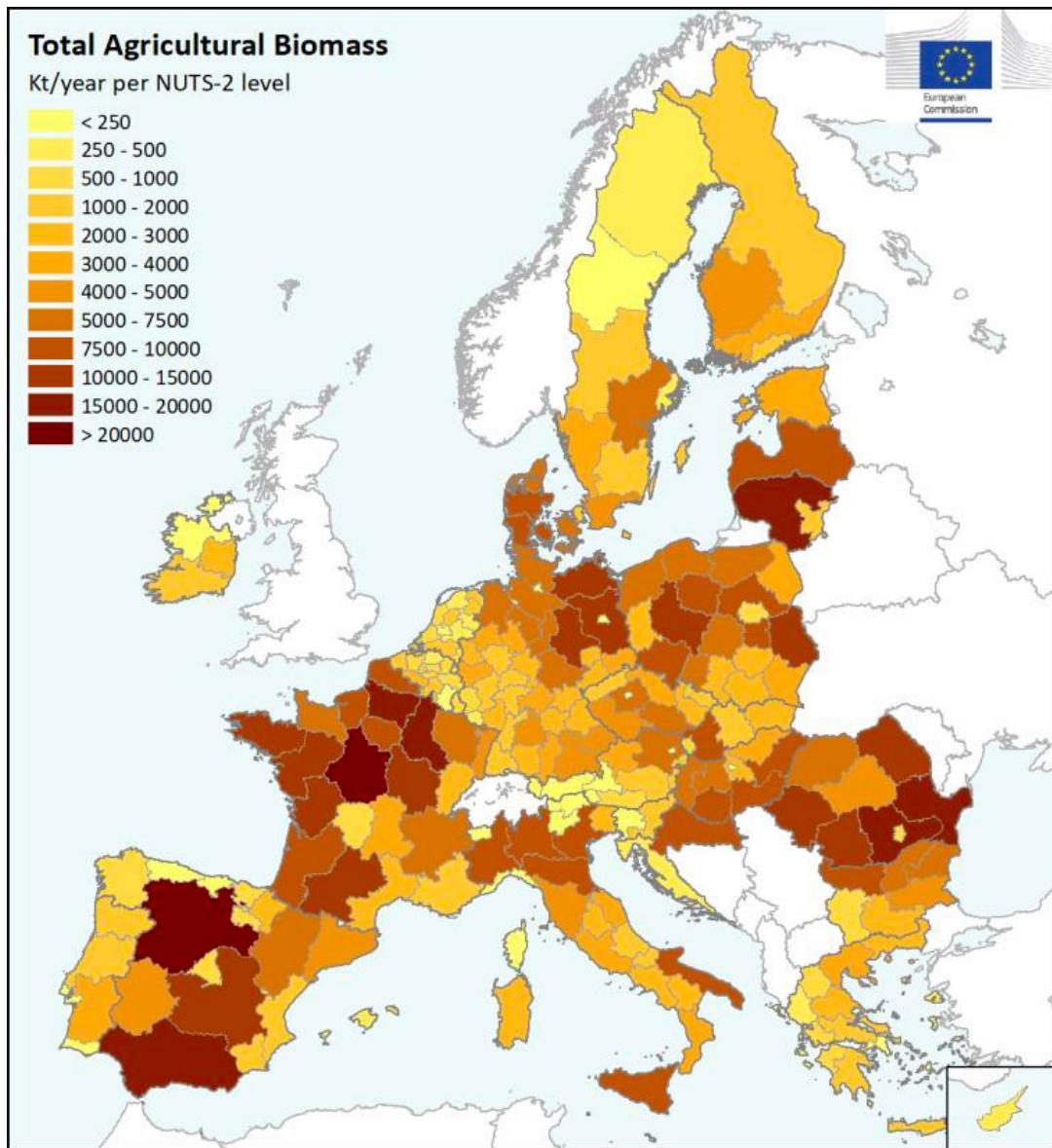


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Alternative feedstocks - renewable feedstocks



Distribution of agricultural biomass production (in Kt dry matter per year) across the EU (NUTS-2 regions) for the reference period 2016-2020
Source: JRC 2022

Approximately 70% of the agricultural biomass is produced in

- France,
- Germany,
- Italy,
- Poland,
- Spain,
- Romania.

Territorial distribution of bio-based industries and biorefineries in the EU-27.



Dots in lighter colour in each category indicate facilities that are currently inactive (but not necessarily as a permanent status)

Parisi, Claudia; Baldoni, Edoardo; M'barek, Robert (2020): Bio-based industry and biorefineries. European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC) [Dataset] PID: <http://data.europa.eu/89h/ee438b10-7723-4435-9f5e-806ab63faf37>

