

# Biobased products by microbial fermentation

## Example: production of microbial oil



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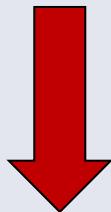
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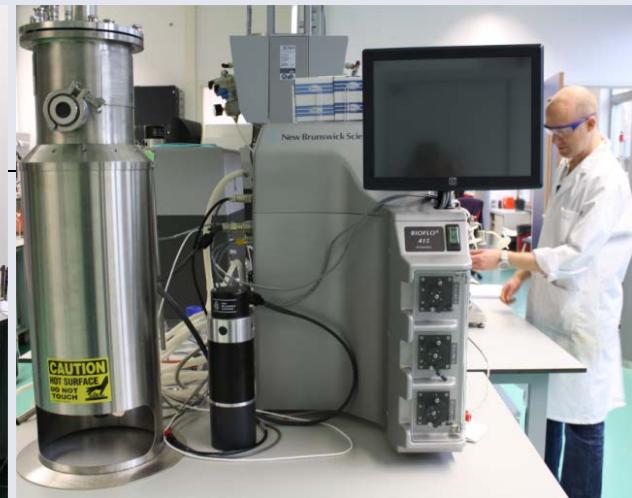


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HAN BioCentre:  
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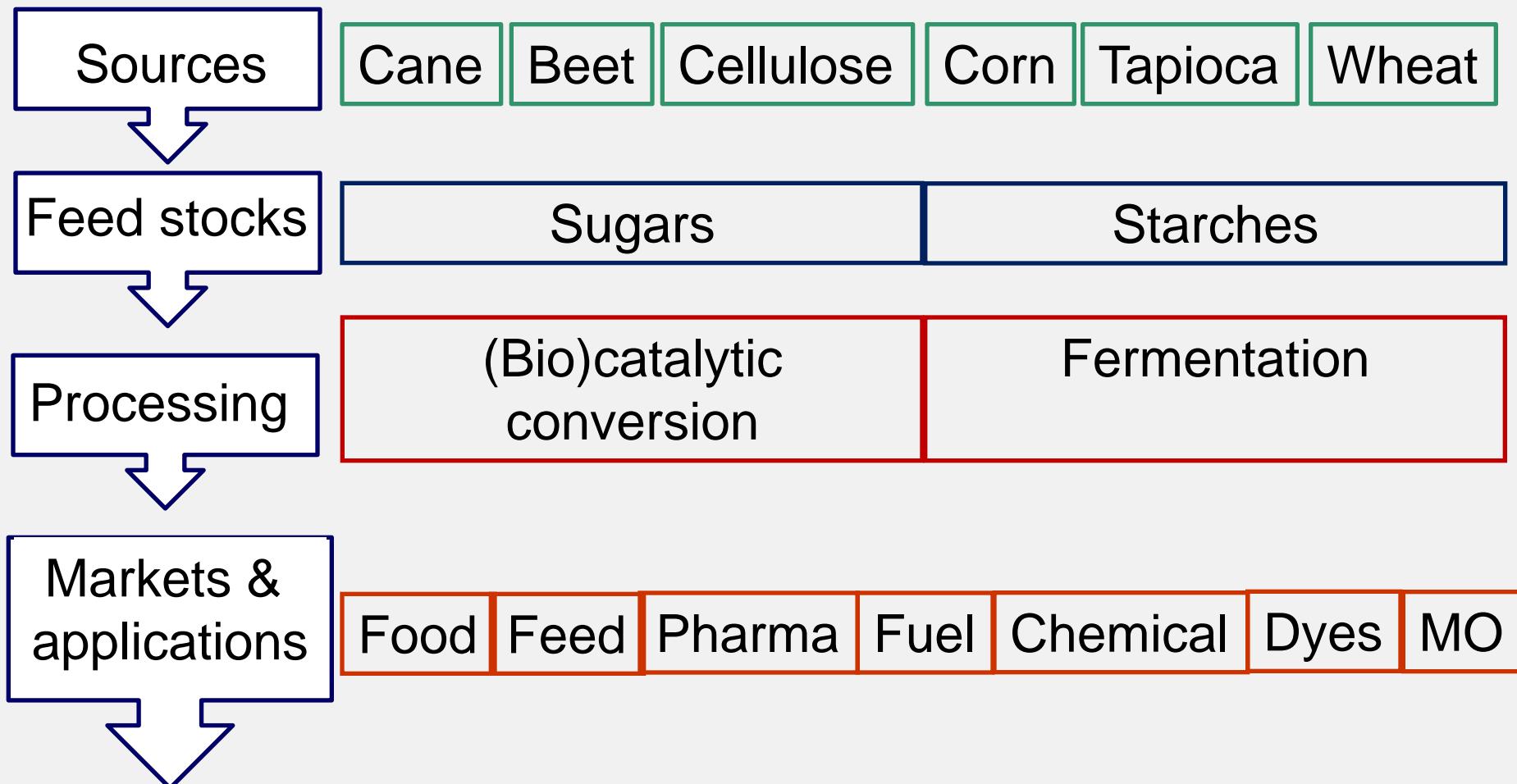
#### Staff BioCentre

1 lecturer/manager  
5 project leaders/researchers  
3-5 technicians  
1 PhD student  
in addition 5-10 students

#### Life Sciences education

Master programme  
Bachelor programme  
  
Tailor made course:  
Fermentation technology  
Introduction LC-MS  
Applied Microbial Genomics

# Fermentation to biobased products



\* Deloitte sept 2014, opportunities for the fermentation based chemical industry

# Key biobased products using microbial fermentation




Product	Market size* (mln ton)	Examples	Main production organisms	Theoretical yield* (ton product / ton glucose)
Antibiotics	0.2	Penicillin, tetracyclin	<i>Penicillium, Streptomyces</i>	1.0
Industrial enzymes, pharm proteins	0.1	Protease, lipase, amylase, cellulase, laccases	<i>Bacillus, Aspergillus</i> , heterologous expression in <i>E. coli</i> , <i>Saccharomyces, P. pastoris</i>	1.0
Food & feed additives	7.3	Vitamins, amino acids	<i>Corynebacterium</i> (lysin), <i>Propionibacterium</i> ( $B_{12}$ )	0.92-0.96
Chemicals: org acids, polymers	3.1	Lactic acid, succinic acid, PHA, alcohols, fatty acids/oil	lactic acid bacteria, <i>Bacillus, Pseudomonas</i>	0.93-1.05
Fuels	99.9	Bioethanol, biogas, biodiesel	<i>Saccharomyces</i> & other yeasts	0.27-0.51

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# Enzyme pipeline



- 1 = Gene selection
- 2 = Vector integration
- 3 = Expression system
- 4 = Flask culture analysis
- 5 = Fermentation process
- 6 = DSP

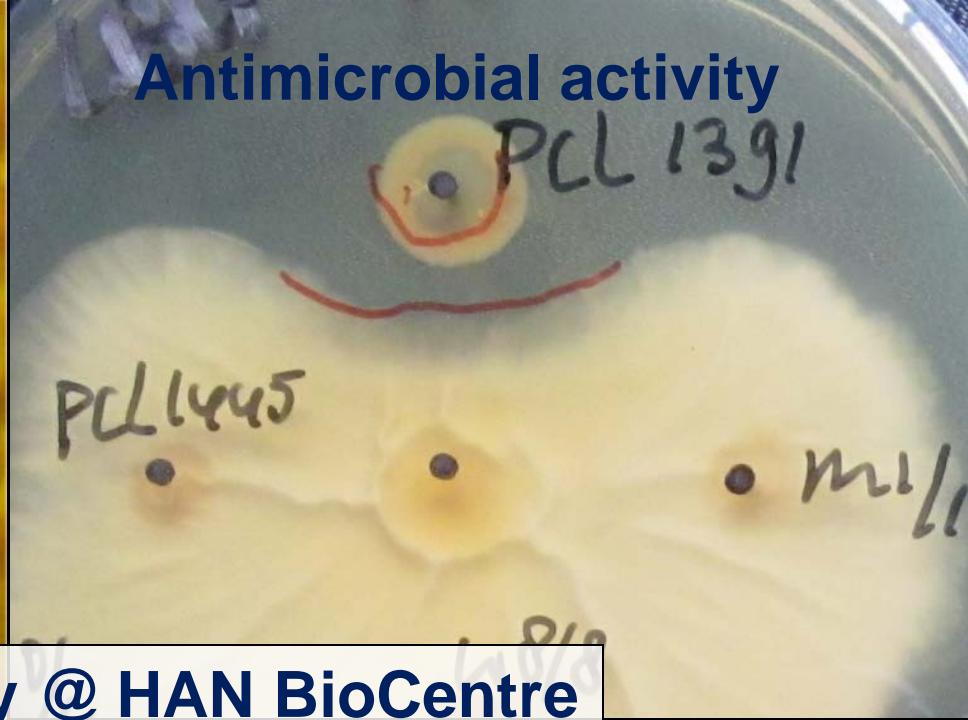
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Molecular biology  
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Microbiology  
Fermentation technology  
Biochemistry



**Oil from Yeast**



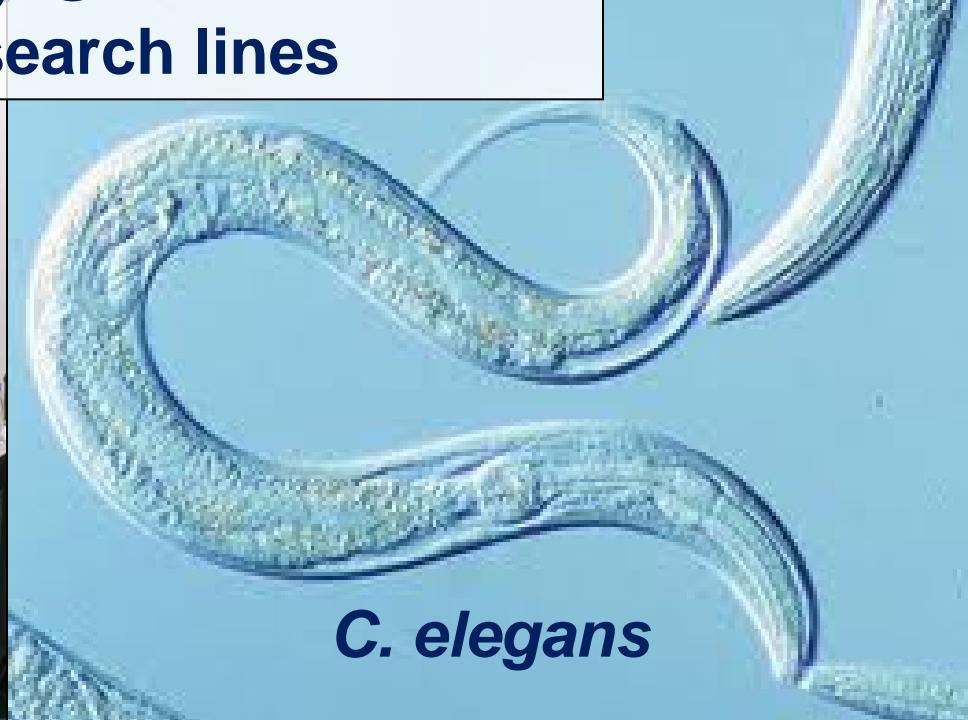
**Antimicrobial activity**



**Biodiscovery @ HAN BioCentre**  
**4 research lines**



**Enzyme  
production**



***C. elegans***



## BioCentre fermentation

- Microbial oil
- Enzyme production

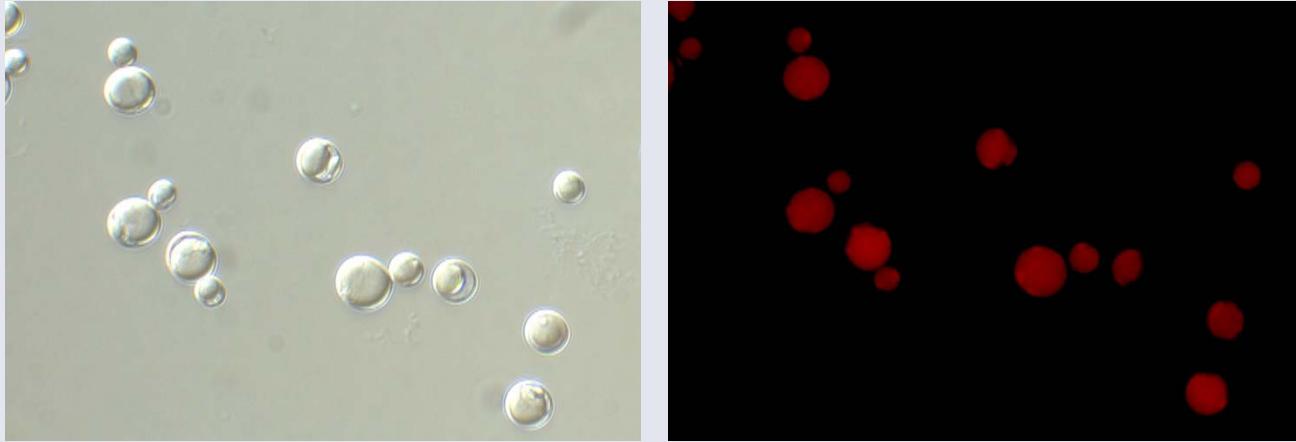


- BioCentre labs

## Fermentation in education

- minor DAPB
- HLO/MLO students
- master program  
(metabolic engineering)
- master program  
(fermentation week)
- bachelor biology
- HLO/MLO students
- bachelor/master: fermentation and DSP theory and practical work

- Fermentation lab for education

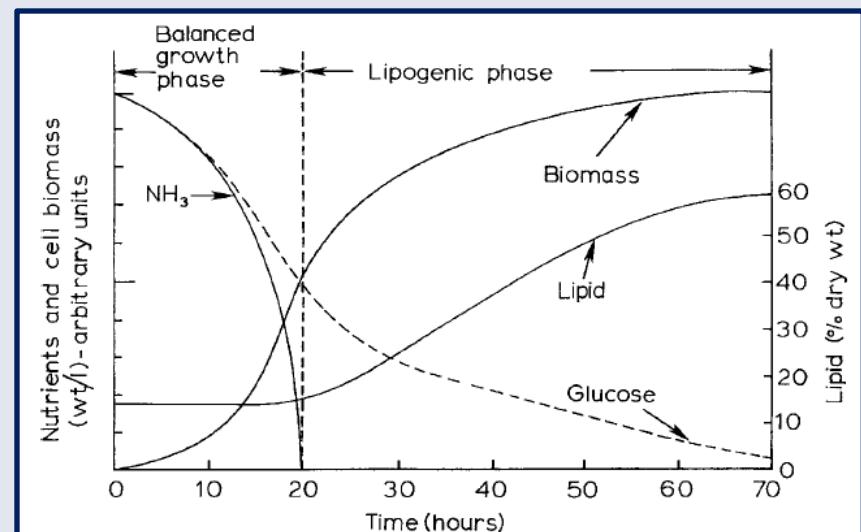
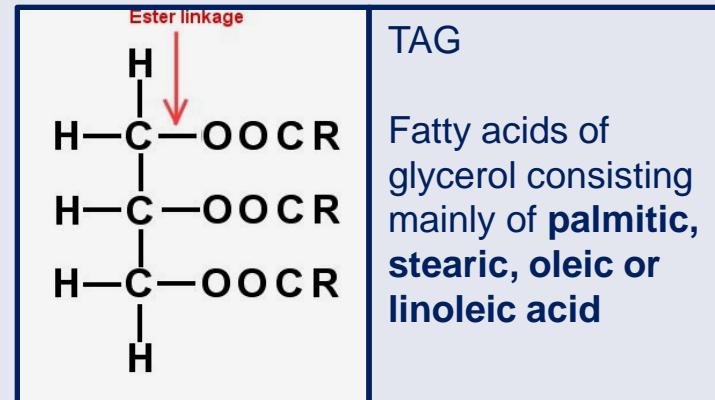


# Production of biobased oil by oleaginous yeast



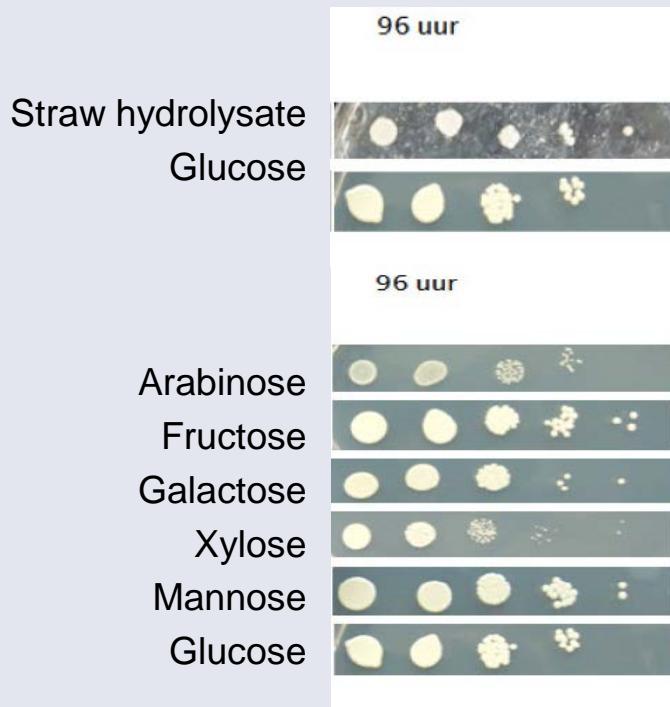
# Triacylglycerol (TAG)

- Natural oils consist of TAGs
- TAGs are a natural stock of energy in
  - plants
  - animals
  - microorganism
- Oleaginous species
- Accumulation > 20% of their biomass as oil
- Yeast, fungi, algae



Wynn & Ratledge 2005

# Selection of HBC025



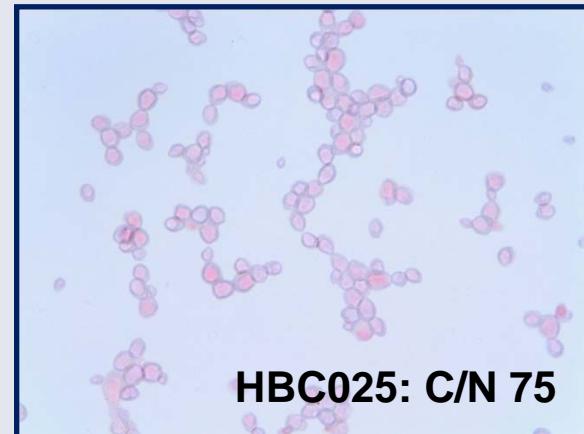
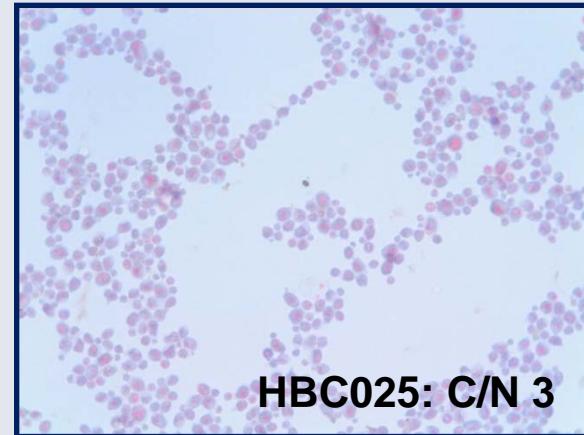
## Selection criteria:

Robust

High biomass

High lipid yield

Growth on various C-sources





## Average composition of natural oils (%)

Other

Costs & applications

	C16:0	C18:0	C18:1	C18:2	C18:3	other	Costs & applications
	Palmitic	Stearic	Oleic	Linoleic	Linolenic		
Sunflower	8	3	20	68	1		1,3-2,0 €/kg, paint, alkyd resins
Soybean	12	4	25	52	6		1,5-1,6 €/kg
Palm oil	43	4	37	9	0,5		
Olive oil	13	3	69	12	1		4,9-5,4 €/kg
Linseed oil	6	4	18	17	53		Flooring, road construction
Rapeseed oil	4	1,5	17	13	9	C 20:1 C 22:1	1,7-1,8 €/kg, road construction

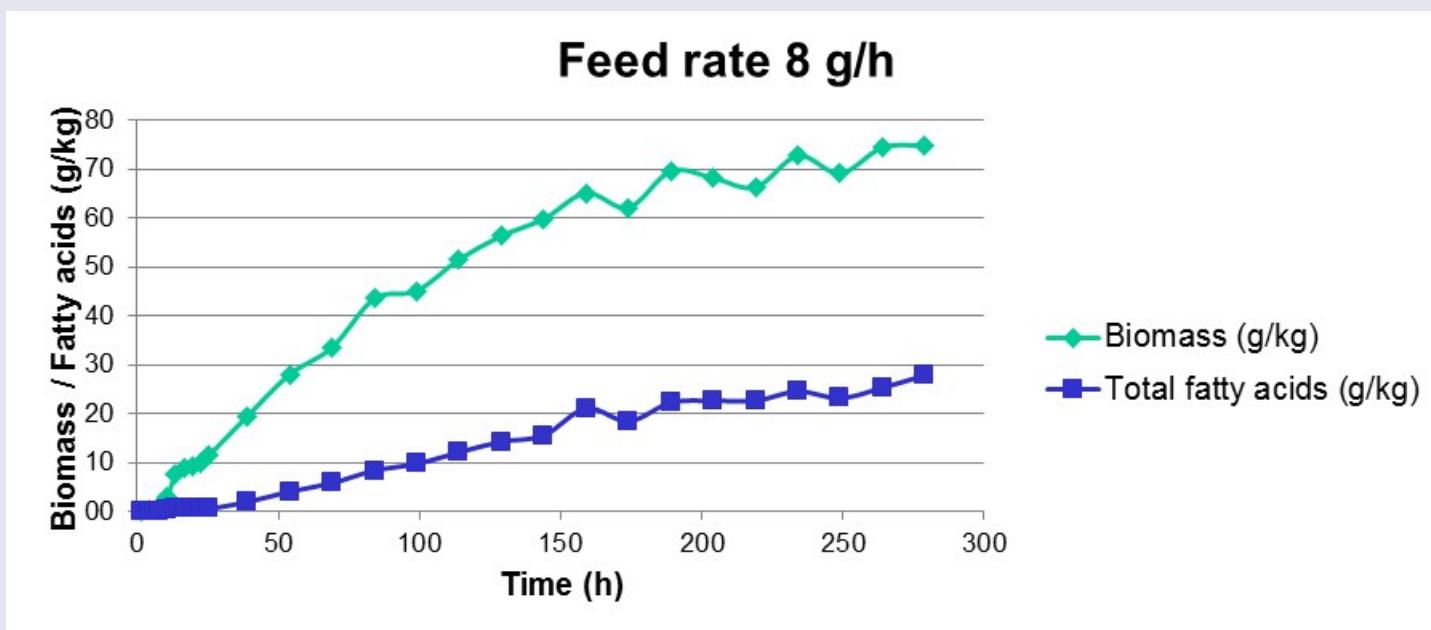
## Fatty acid profile HBC025 (%)

Batch 30g Glucose	14	2,5	58	16	6,6	C16:1	
Fed-batch 150 g Glucose	15	1,7	69	4,5	1,0	C16:1	

Costs taken from Huang et al. 2013 Biotechnology advances 31: 129



## Fed-batch process (glucose feed / increase in C/N)

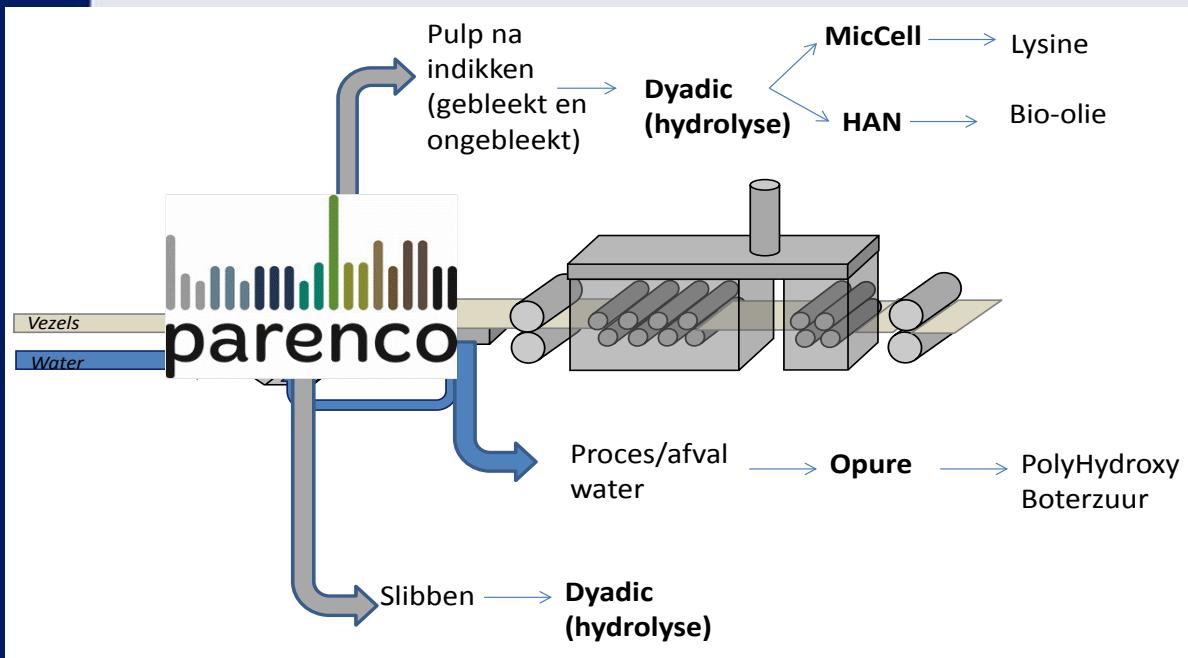


batch growth  
low C/N

feed phase  
C/N increases

- increasing feed rate does not give more biomass and fatty acids

# Biobased oil: Parenco project



# Composition paper waste

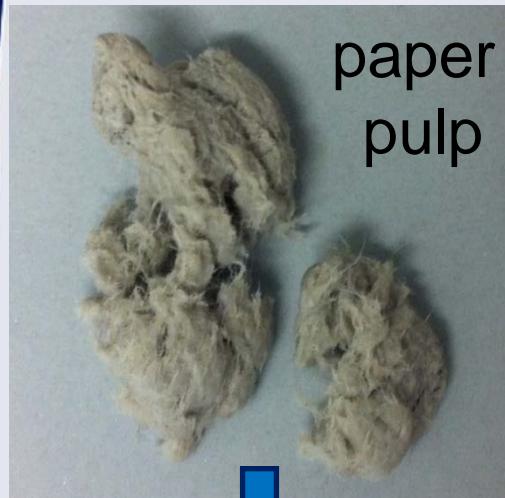
**Table 1**

Composition of waste papers (all results are presented as percentages of oven dry weight and brackets show SE of triplicate samples).

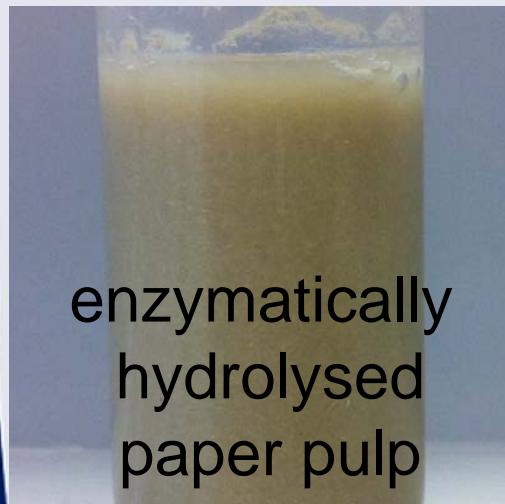
	Newspaper	Office paper	Magazine	Cardboard
Glucan	47.20 (0.05)	58.64 (0.05)	35.91 (0.08)	52.61 (0.06)
Xylan	7.11 (0.02)	14.65 (0.08)	4.72 (0.06)	8.23 (0.06)
Galactan	1.90 (0.02)	0.00 <sup>a</sup>	1.98 (0.02)	1.89 (0.01)
Mannan	7.31 (0.01)	0.00	5.67 (0.04)	5.07 (0.01)
Arabinan	1.86 (0.07)	0.00	1.82 (0.03)	1.55 (0.03)
Total carbohydrates	65.38	73.29	50.10	69.35
ASL	1.06 (0.01)	1.41 (0.01)	0.98 (0.03)	1.59 (0.02)
AIL	17.08 (0.43)	4.68 (0.29)	13.85 (0.29)	14.18 (0.19)
Total lignin	18.14	6.09	14.83	15.77
Extractives	3.93 (0.05)	1.97 (0.05)	3.45 (0.06)	2.55 (0.02)
CaCO <sub>3</sub>	2.13 (0.04)	8.12 (0.02)	2.63 (0.04)	4.20 (0.01)
Ash	10.51 (0.11)	7.97 (0.08)	30.14 (0.16)	9.89 (0.07)
Mass closure <sup>b</sup>	100.09	97.44	101.15	101.76

<sup>a</sup> Zero was reported here since trace amount was found under detection limit of HPLC.

<sup>b</sup> A mass closure exceeding 100% is due to the intrinsic variation of component means.



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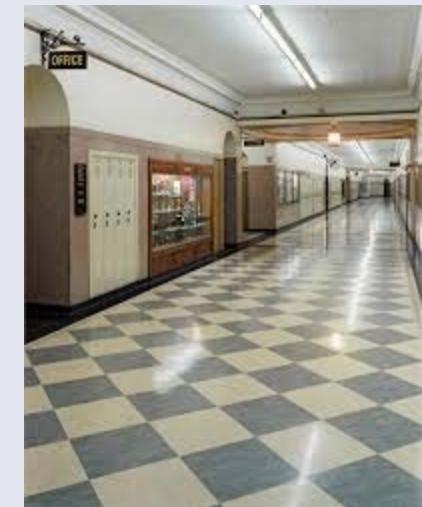
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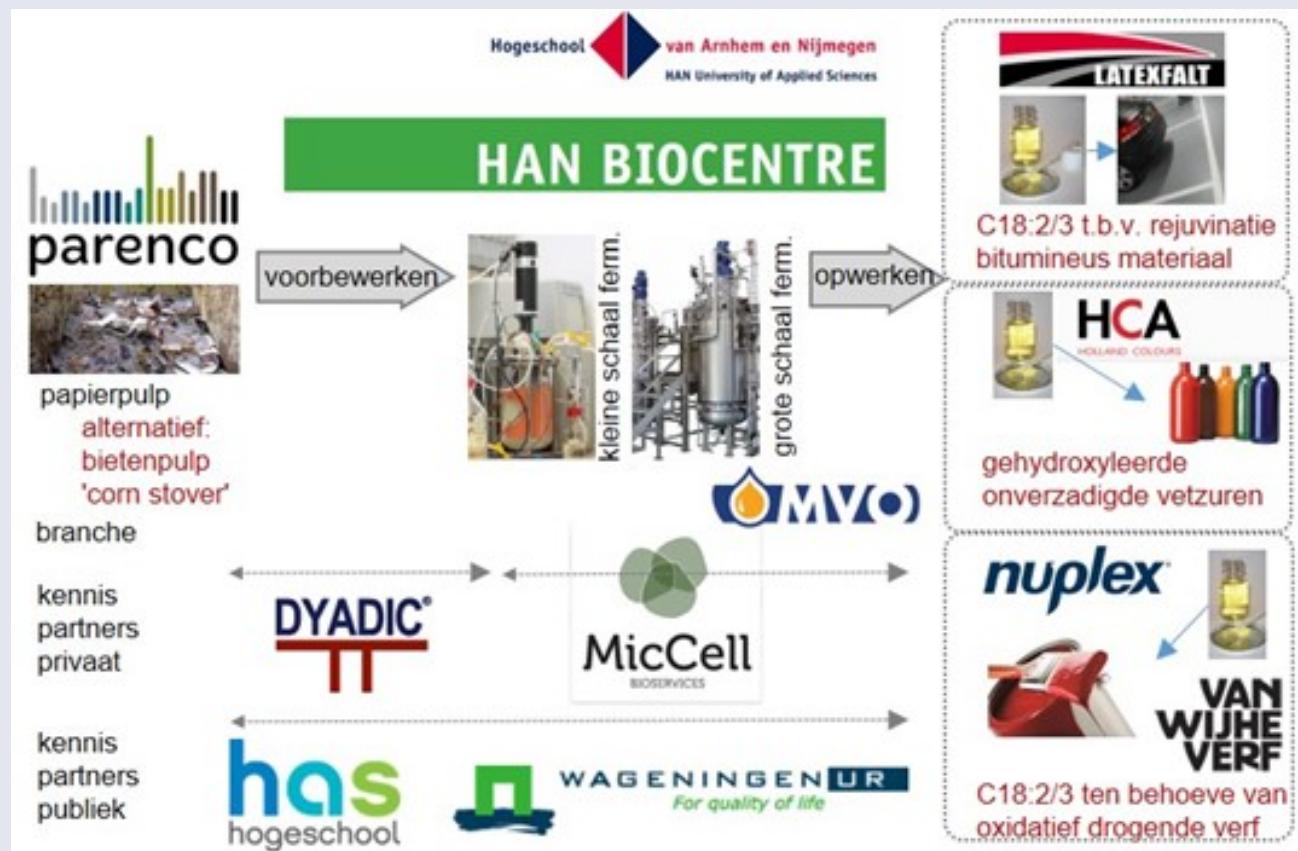
Fermentation

# Results

- HBC025 can grow and produce microbial oil on pre-hydrolysed paper pulp (no toxic effect)
- Depending on enzyme dosage medium additions are needed
- Economic feasibility promising when also components from yeast biomass are marketed (biorefinery)
- Applications in non-food sector:  
Alkyd resins/paint, cosmetics, biosurfactants, road construction, flooring systems



# RAAK-PRO started: 'Microbiële olie op maat'



# Oil project in education

- **Minor students / students biology-chemistry-bioinformatics**
  - strain selection & conditions for oil production
  - process with alternative C-sources ao. (waste) glycerol
  - high C18:2 producers
  - genome sequence and annotation HBC025, bio-informatic tools
  - DSP: oil extraction and decolouring of oil
  - deskstudy biomass sources
  - transformation of HBC025
- **MMLS students**
  - metabolic engineering assignment

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## Questions ??