

APPLICATION OF BIO-OIL OTHER THAN FUEL WITH FOCUS ON CONTAMINATED FEEDSTOCK

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Waste biorefinery technologies for accelerating sustainable energy processes





HIDDEN CLIMATE SCIENCE PIONEER



“An atmosphere of that gas would give to our earth a high temperature”

August 1856

On the Heat in the Sun's Rays.

ART. XXXI.—*Circumstances affecting the Heat of the Sun's Rays ;*
by EUNICE FOOTE.

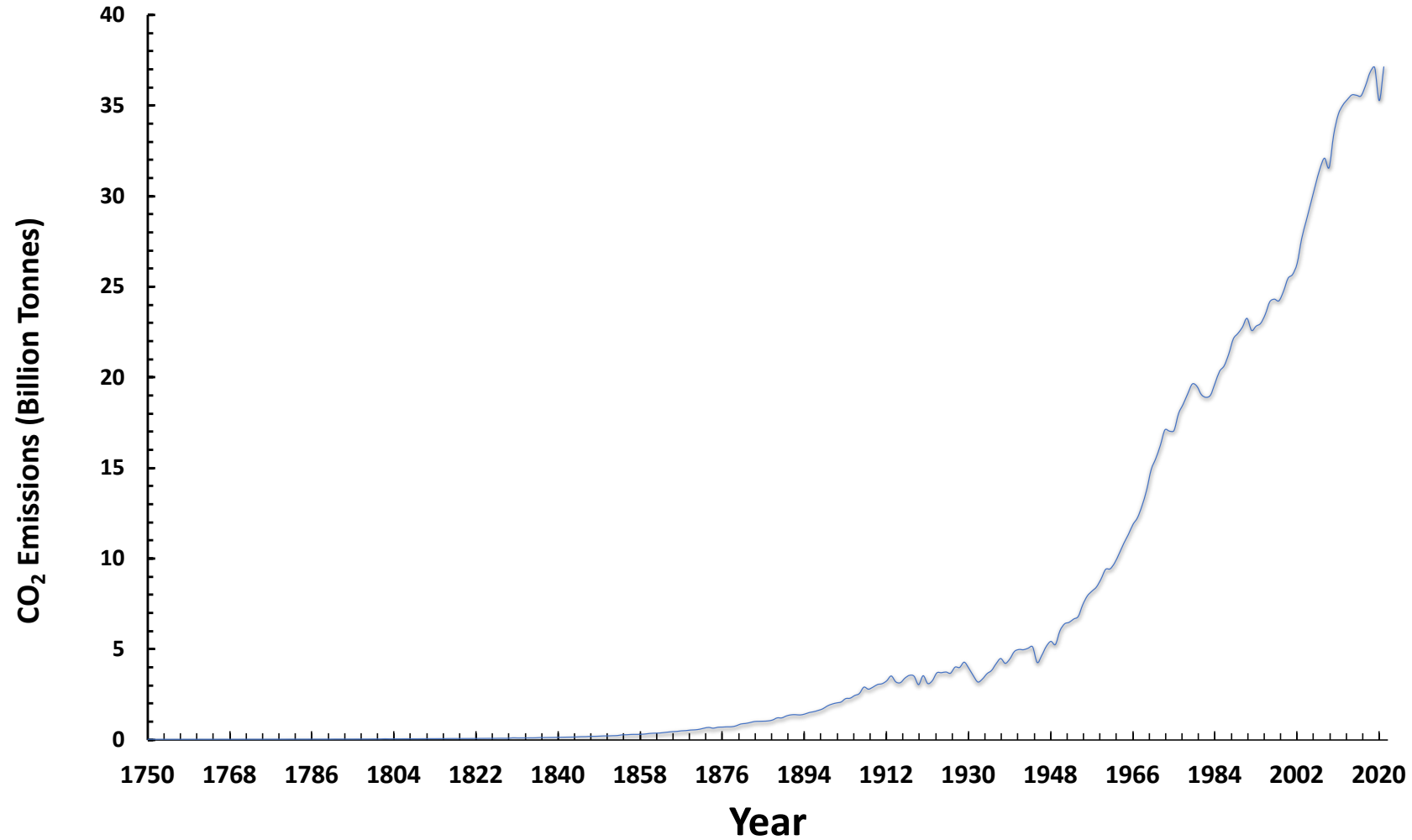
(Read before the American Association, August 23d, 1856.)

MY investigations have had for their object to determine the different circumstances that affect the thermal action of the rays of light that proceed from the sun.

Several results have been obtained.

Eunice Foote

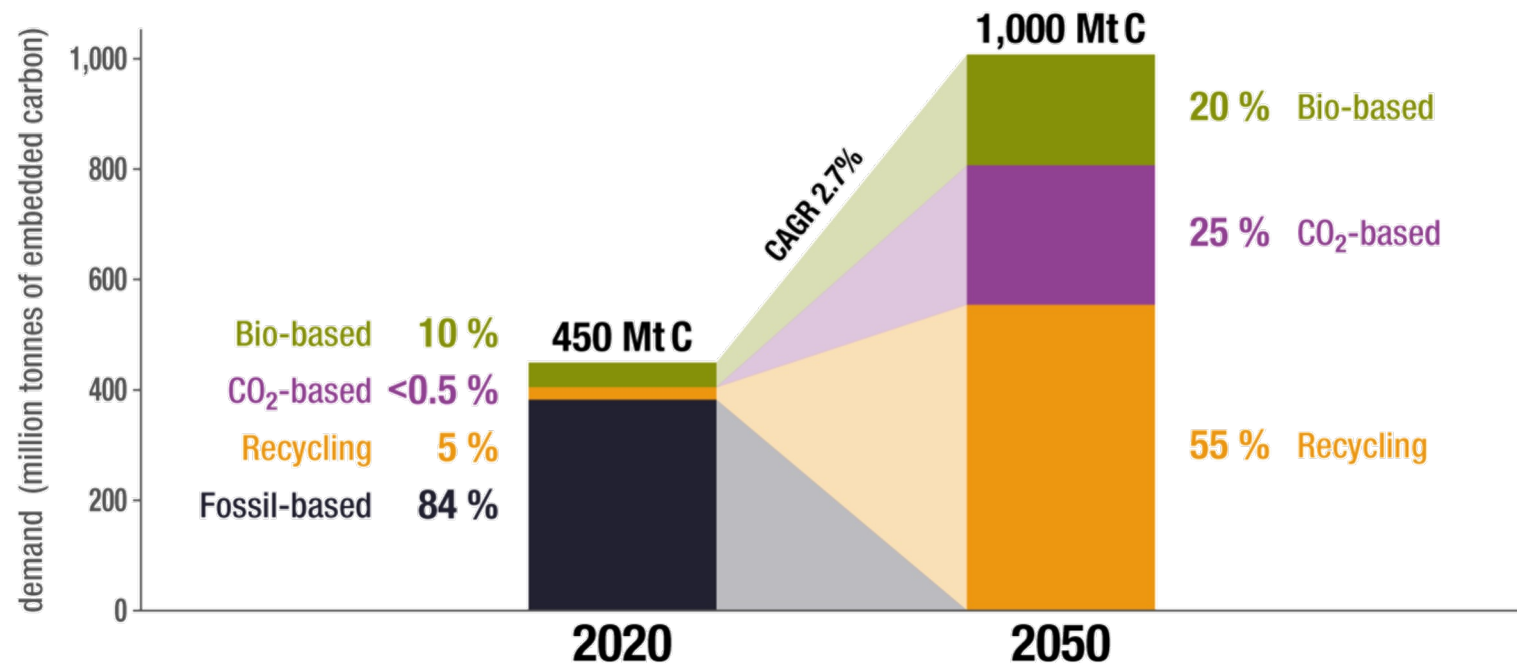
EVOLUTION OF CO₂ EMISSIONS





CARBON DEPENDENCY ON THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

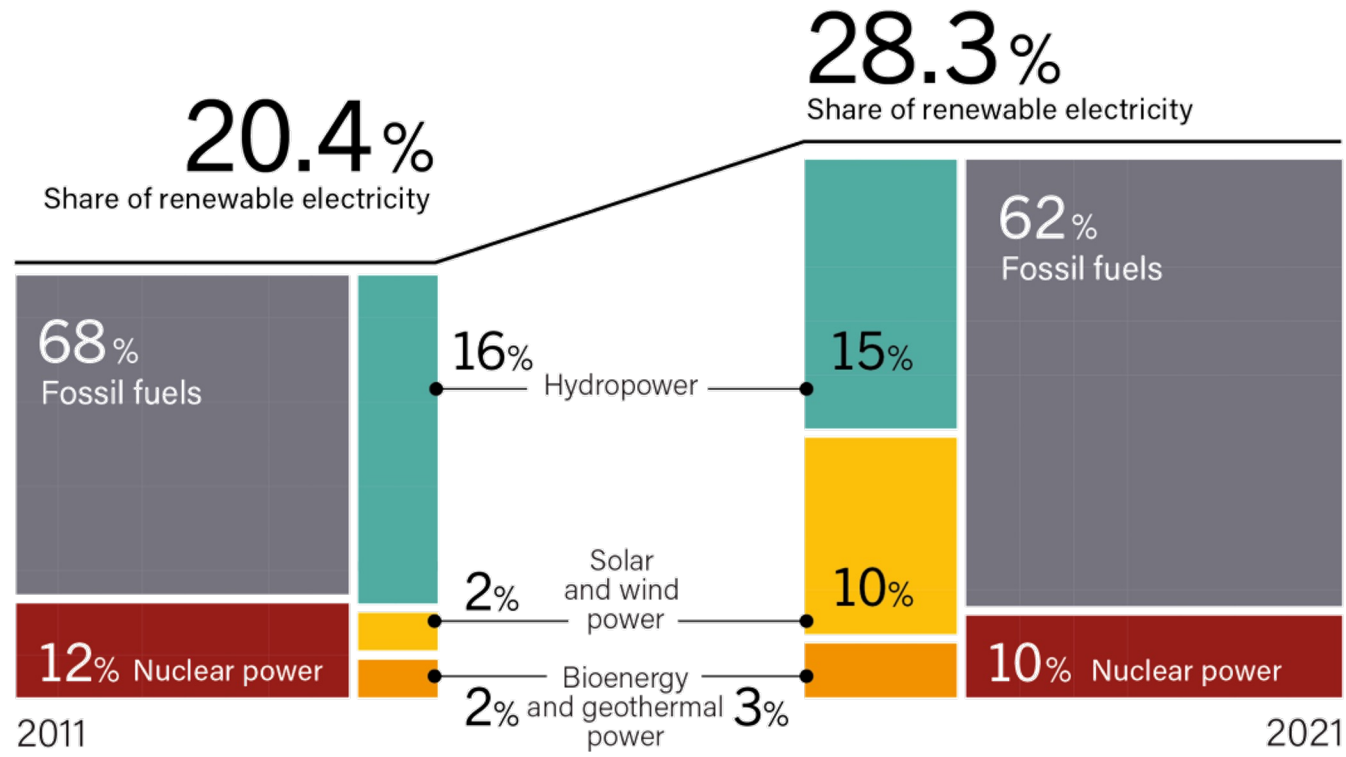
Global Carbon Demand for Chemicals and Derived Materials in 2020 and Scenario for 2050 (in million tonnes of embedded carbon)





ENERGY DEMAND

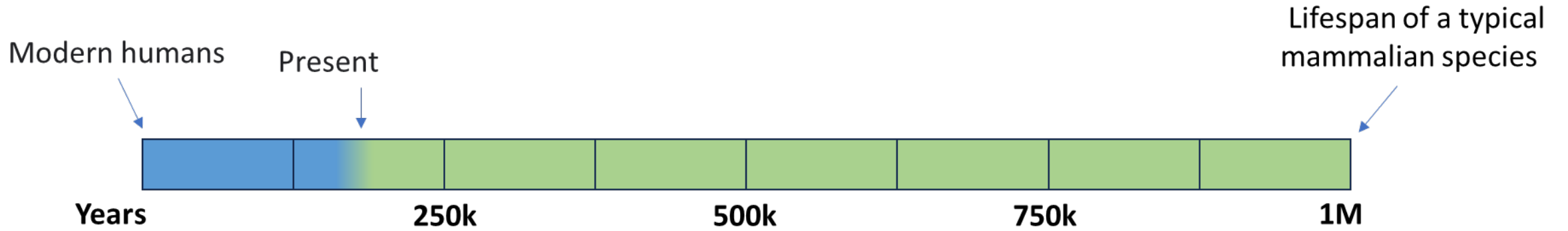
Share of Renewable Energy in Power, 2011 and 2021

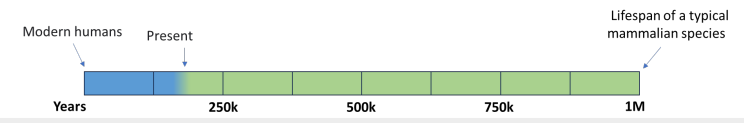
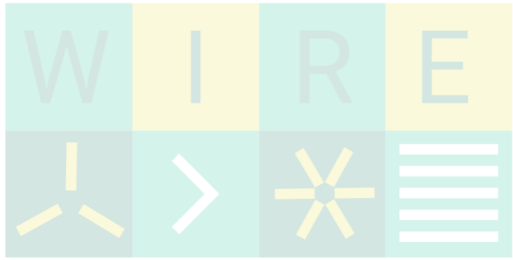


Renewable power share increased by almost **8** percentage points in the past decade.



THE GENERATIONS TO COME

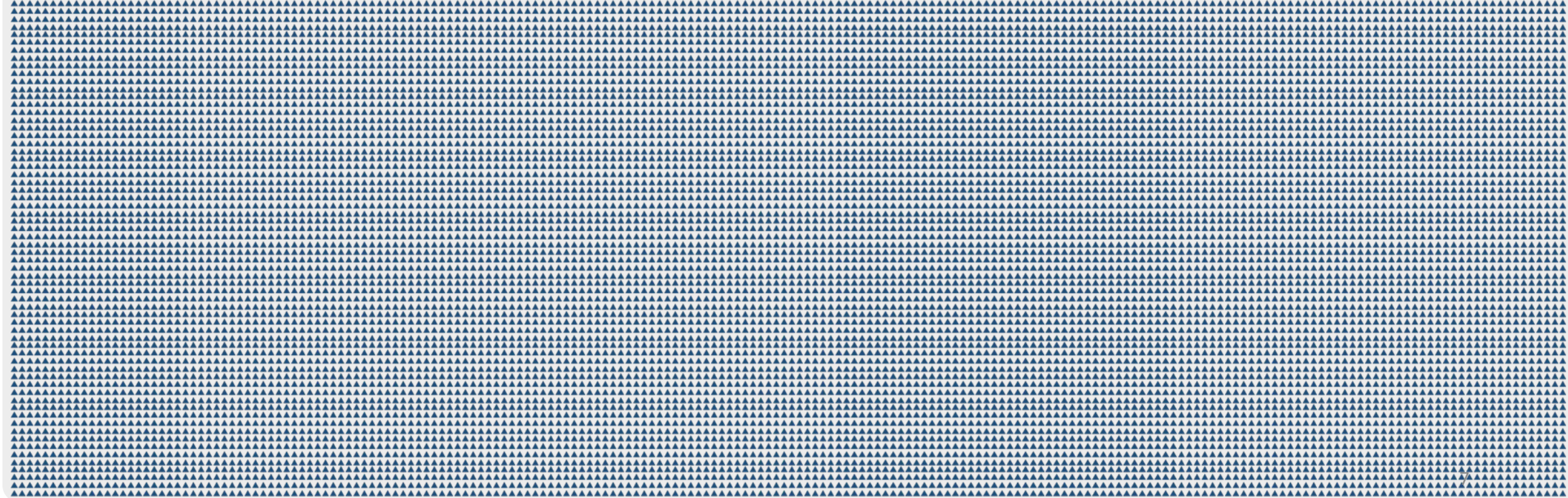




Humanity's past ▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲ All the people who ever lived, ~117 billion, ratio of 14:1 compared to the current population

Humanity's present ▲ All the people who are alive today, ~8 billion, about 6.8% of all people who ever lived

Humanity's future ▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲ All the people who could ever live, about 100 trillion, assuming the Earth remains habitable





WHAT CAN WE DO?

KEY POINTS WHEN DEVELOPING NEW PROCESSES



Holistic vision of the processes



Prioritize energy efficiency, recyclability, durability, social responsibility



Promote environmentally friendly and socially responsible systems



Promote a more sustainable and circular economy

WHY BIOMASS AND ITS DERIVATIVES?



VERSATILITY FOR BIOPRODUCTS AND BIOREFINERIES

Can be used to produce a wide range of bioproducts, including biofuels, bioplastics, and biochemicals



RENEWABLE, SUSTAINABLE AND ABUNDANT

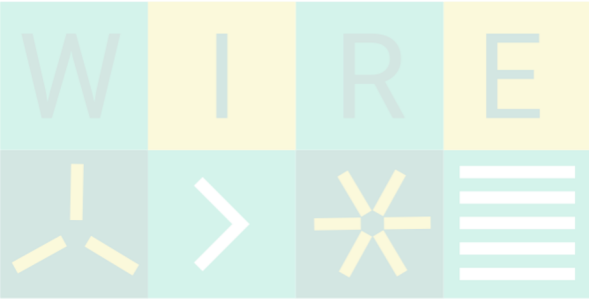
Renewable and abundant resource, providing a sustainable alternative for energy and various industrial applications (e.g., >82% of the world's biomass is plant-based matter)

ENERGY DIVERSITY AND SECURITY

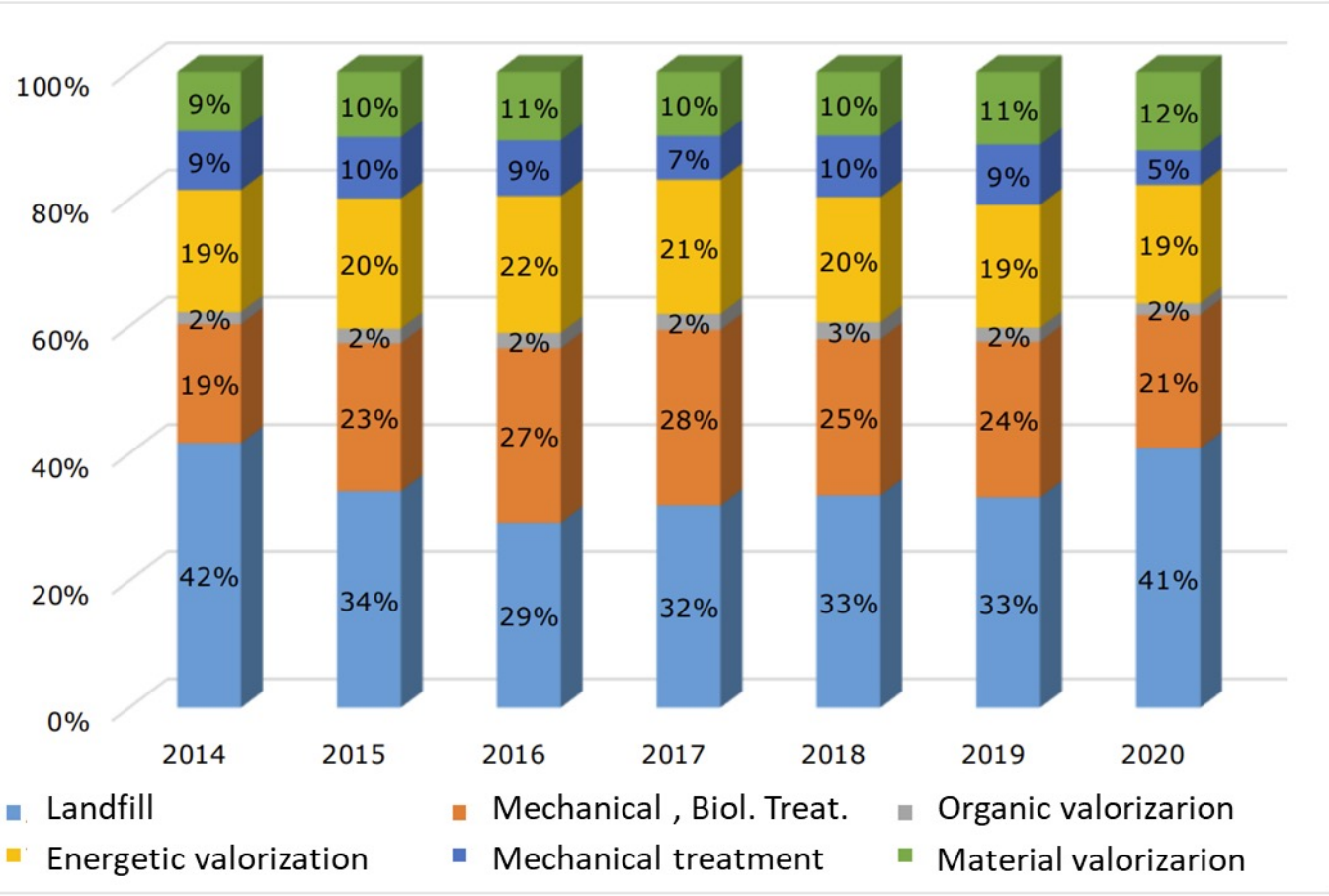
Contributes to diversifying the energy mix, reducing dependence on a single energy source

REDUCED GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Offers the potential to be a carbon-neutral or even carbon-negative energy source



URBAN WASTES – AN OPPORTUNITY?

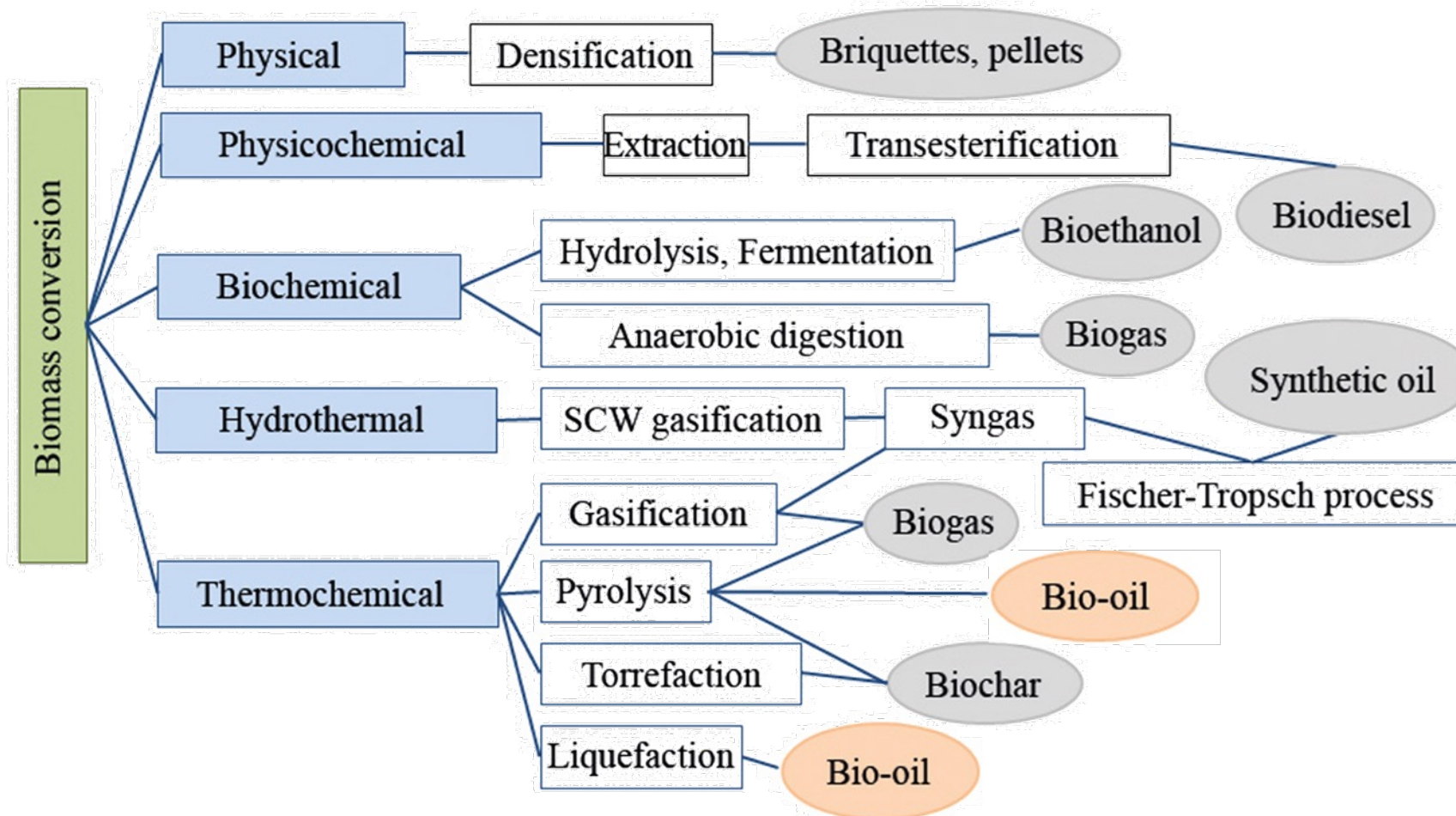


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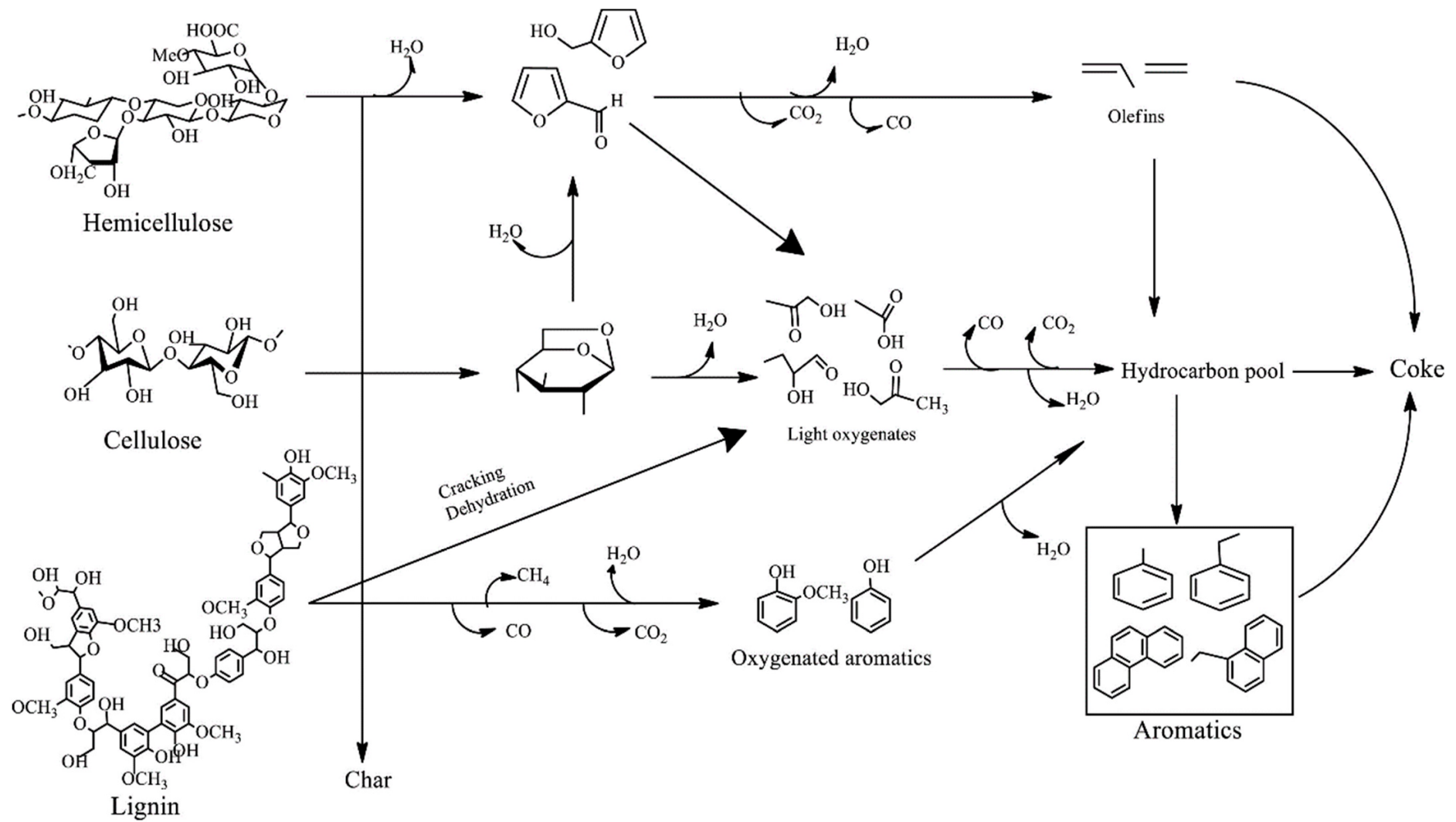




BIOMASS CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES/PROCESSES

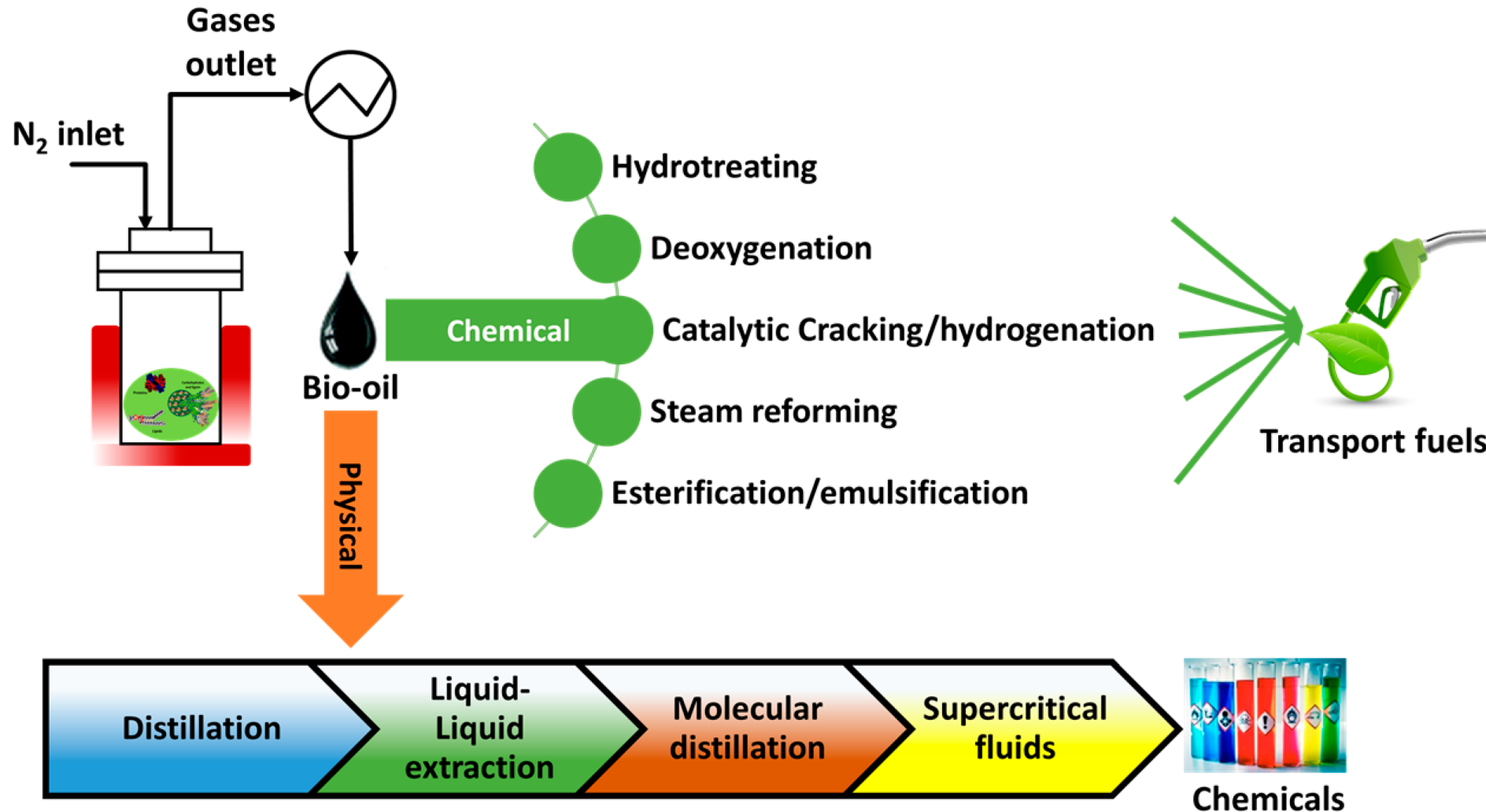


BIOMASS PYROLYSIS - MECHANISMS





BIO-OILS – POTENTIAL REFINING TECHNIQUES



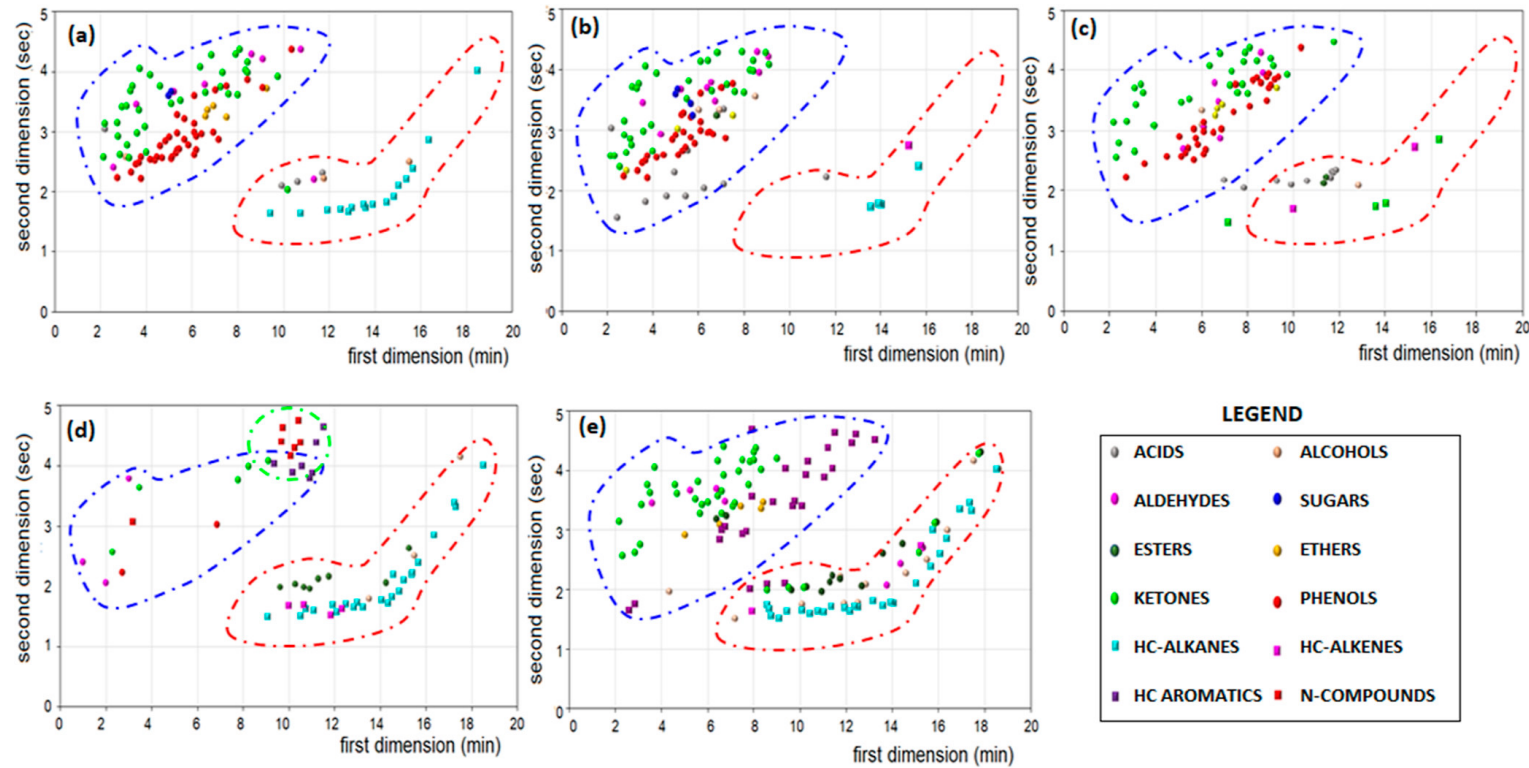


BIOMASS CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES/PROCESSES

Techniques	Operating Conditions	Reaction	Technique Feasibility	
			Advantages	Challenges
Physical processes to chemical productions				
Distillation	(Atmospheric) 80–250 °C	No reaction	Production of alcohols, aldehydes, and acids	Avoid the polymerization reactions
	(Vacuum) Low temperatures		Avoid polymerization reaction and degradation of thermally sensitive compounds	More expensive, energy intensive, and hard operation
	(Molecular) High vacuum (<math><10^{-6}</math> atmospheric pressure)		Low distillation temperature and heating rates and high efficiency of fractionation	
Supercritical fluids	Mild conditions (T > 32 °C P > 100 bar)		Clean solvents and bio-oil with low viscosity and oxygen content	Energy intensive and hard operation system
Liquid–liquid extraction	(Water extraction) Normal conditions (T and P)		Simple technique, increases the heating value and stability of bio-oil, and decreases the viscosity	Increases water/solvent content and decreases pH
Emulsification	Warn conditions, surfactant, and co-surfactants	Emulsified with petroleum-based fuels	Classic and cost-effective route	High energy for production is the most important challenge of these processes



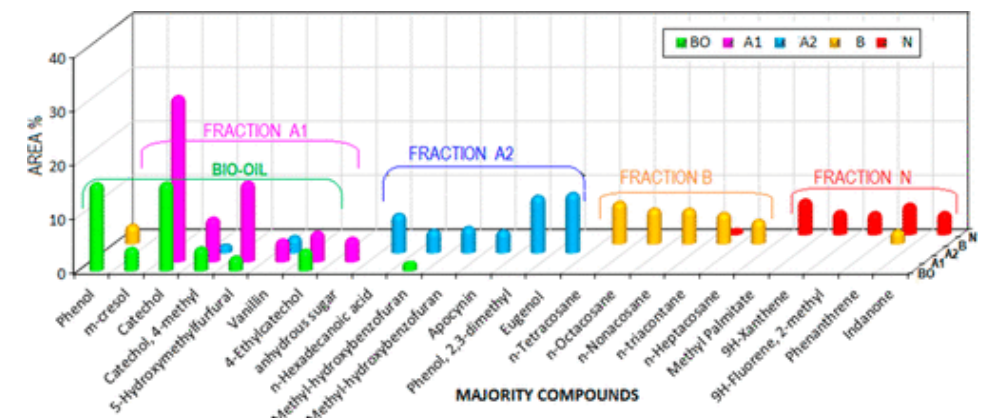
GCxGC-TOFMS



Hydrocarbons & Non-Polar Compounds

Polar Oxygenated Compounds

N-Compounds



PHYTOREMEDIATION - BIO-OIL PRODUCTION USING LEAD CONTAMINATED SWITCHGRASS FEEDSTOCK



According to US Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) superfund sites can have lead concentrations of above 10,000 mg/kg .

Commonly used methods for the cleaning of lands

- on-site stabilization
- ex-situ washing.

Lengthy
Expensive
modifies soil's nutritional and microbial balance



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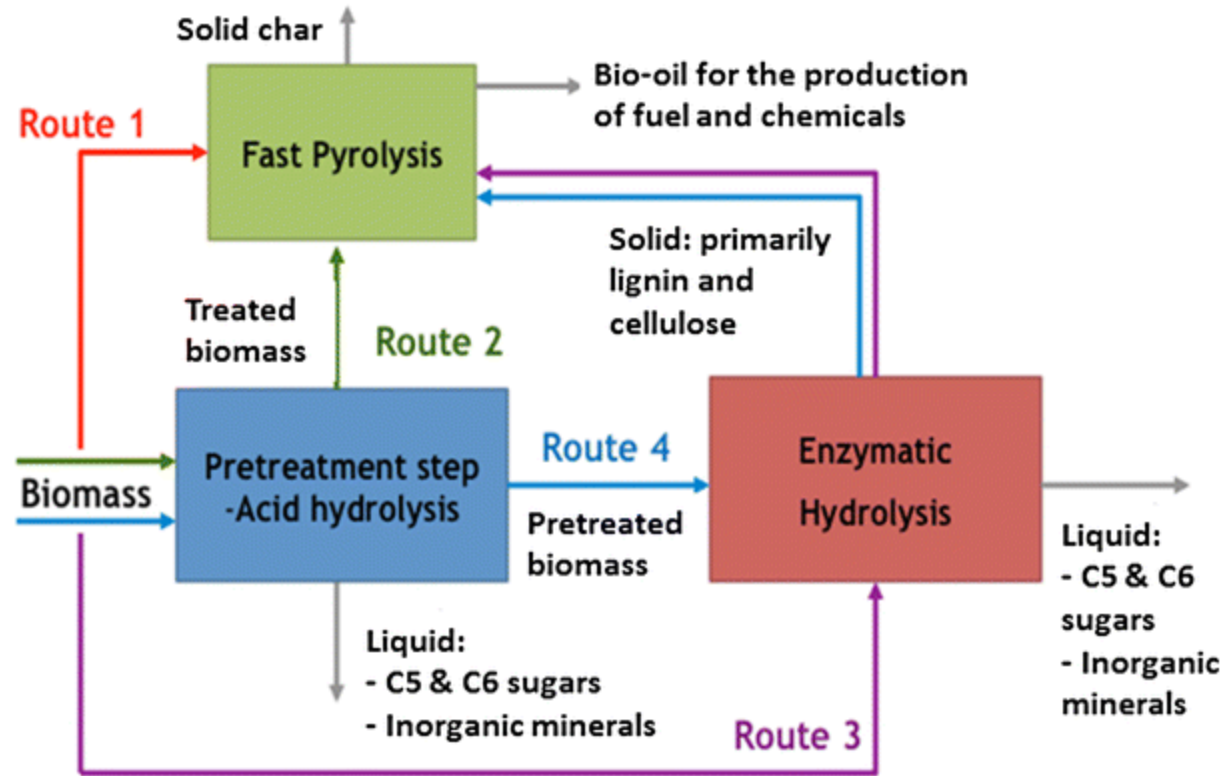
Phytoextraction absorb the metal contaminants in the soil by drawing the soluble metal ions into the shoots or aerial parts of the plant in the top 1–2 m of soil.

- more cost-effective method for metal extraction,
- environmental friendly because
- avoids the loss of topsoil experienced in excavation processes

The phytoremediation effectiveness depends on the site as well as the plant used, but most phytoremediation plants have shown a potential to reduce the organic pollutants by more than 50 %



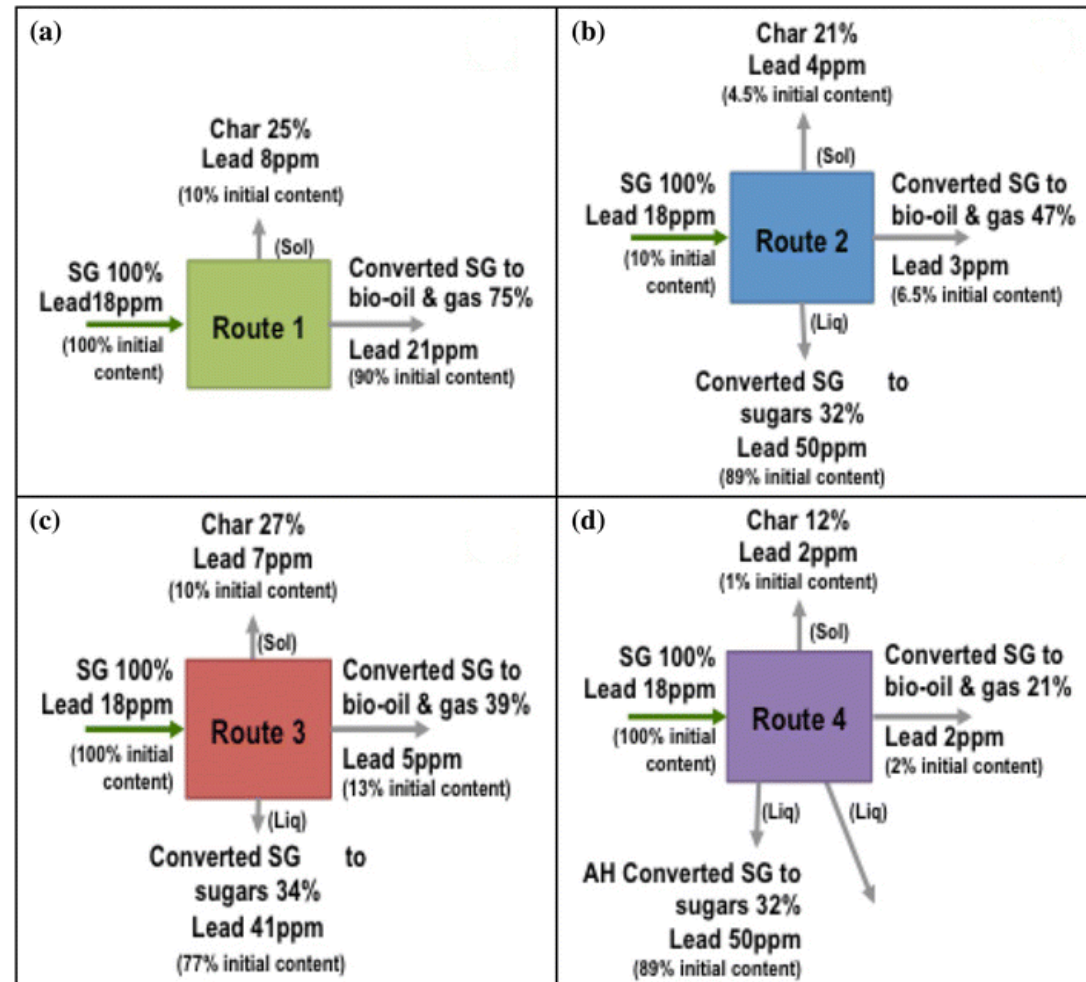
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Mass balance for the four process routes. a Route 1, fast pyrolysis at 500 °C. b Route 2, acid hydrolysis with 4 % H₃PO₄ and fast pyrolysis at 500 °C. c Route 3, enzymatic hydrolysis with a combination of A. Niger, T. Reesei and H. Grisea and fast pyrolysis at 500 °C. d Route 4, acid hydrolysis with 4 % H₃PO₄, enzymatic hydrolysis with a combination of the three enzymes and fast pyrolysis at 500 °C

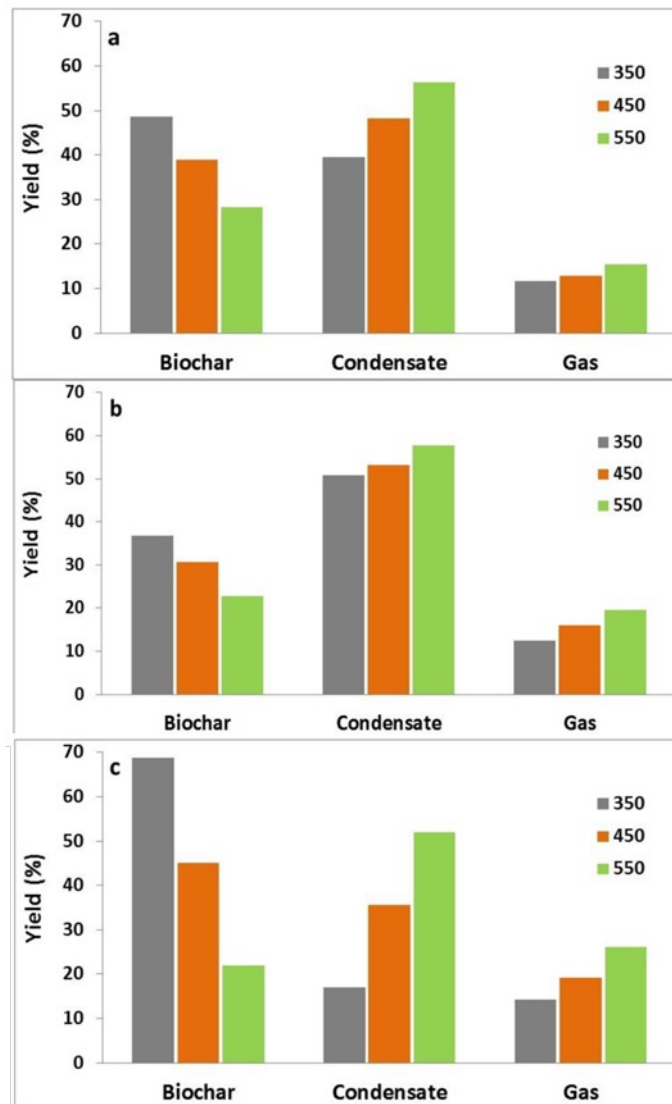


Compositions	Torrefied MFW at 275 °C	
	Organic compounds in the aqueous phase	Organic phase
Maltol	4.7	19.94
2-Furanmethanol	5.09	17.55
2-Hydroxy-3-ethyl-2-cyclopenten-1-one	3.41	11.68
Acetic acid	9.54	10.29
1-(2-Furanyl)-Ethanone		4.09
2-Hydroxy-3-methyl-2-cyclopenten-1-one		3.45
Phenol		3.35
1,5-Dimethyl piperidine-3-ol		3.26
4(2-Propenyl)- phenol	2.1	2.99
2-Methoxy phenol		2.83
Propanoic acid		2.65
Trimethyl pyrazine		2.3
Methyl pyridine		1.81
Methyl-2-hydroxy propanoate	4.3	1.69
3-Ethyl-2,5-dimethyl pyrazine		1.59
2-Furanmethanol acetate		1.48
Pyridine		
1-Hydroxy-2-pentanone	1.24	
4-Hydroxy-4-methyl-2-pentanone	2.06	
2,6-Dimethyl pyrazine	1	
D-Manitol	1.76	
Dianhydromanitol	26.05	
Methyl tetradecanoate	2.6	
Methyl hexadecanoate	26.61	
Methyl 9-Octadecanoate	3.91	



BIO-OIL FROM FOOD WASTE PYROLYSIS AFTER TORREFACTION

REFUSED DERIVED FUELS - PYROLYSIS



Sample	PCO	FOR	RDF
Density (g/cm ³)	0.94	0.93	1.30
Dynamic viscosity (cP)	7.0	1.5	110.6
pH	3.0	2.1	3.1
C (%)	59.0	52.4	43.5
H (%)	8.9	7.9	5.0
N (%)	1.2	0.1	3.9
S (%)	-	-	-
O (%)	30.9	39.6	47.6
HHV (MJ/kg)	27.1	21.9	13.4

FOR – Forest residues
 PCO – Pine Cones
 RDF – Refuse derived fuels

REFUSED DERIVED FUELS - SOLVOLYSIS



Run	Reaction Time	Temperature	Catalyst concentration	Yield
1	90 min	160°C	3%	11,66 %
2	205 min	160°C	3%	7,60 %
3	90 min	175°C	3%	7,29 %
4	90 min	160°C	10%	27,44 %
5	205 min	175°C	10%	33,28 %
6*	205 min	175°C	10%	33,0 %

*dried





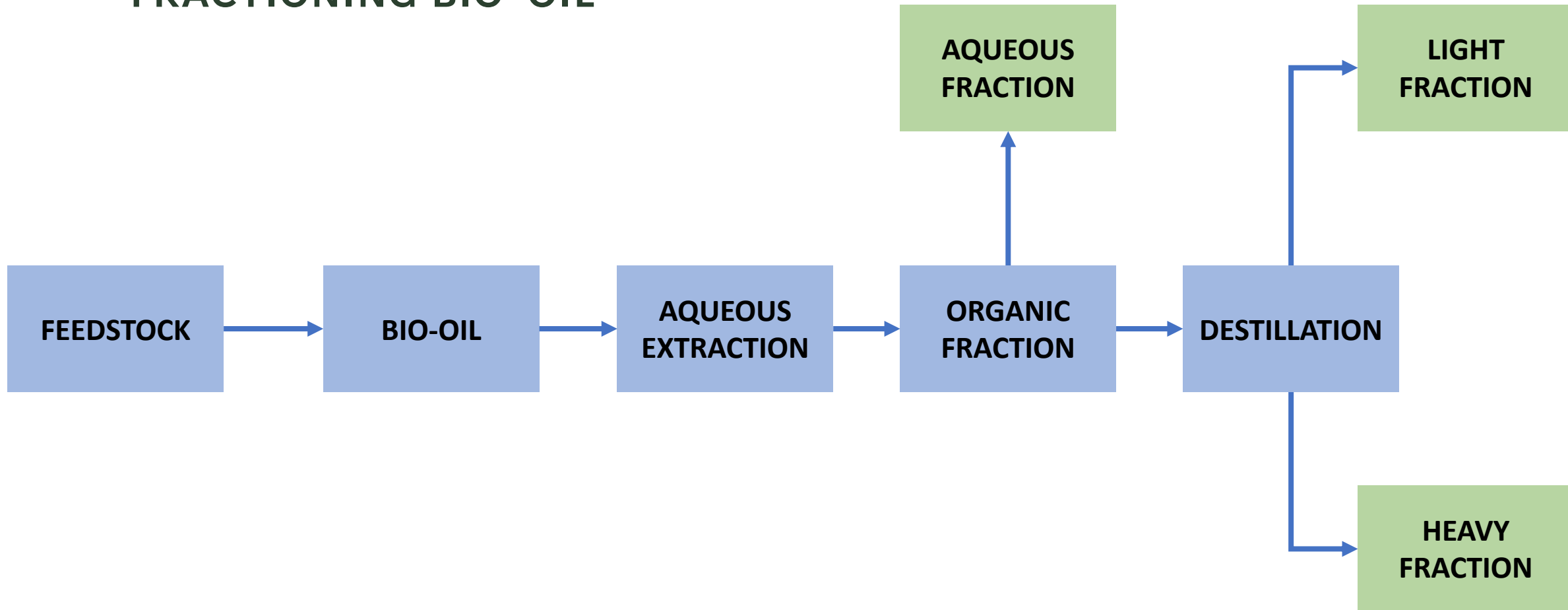
BIO-OIL FROM ALTERNATIVE CONTAMINATED FEEDSTOCKS

Entry	Sample	Chemical analysis (%)						HHV (MJ/kg)
		Moisture	C	H	O	N	S	
1	Pinewood	14.9	50.90	6.22	41.48	1.13	0.27	20.10
2	LPW	1.00	69.80	12.65	15.49	1.58	0.48	37.41
3	Paper sludge	76.1	33.90	4.93	58.64	2.00	0.53	nd
4	LPS	0.4	74.86	14.30	10.64	0.00	0.20	40.26
5	Swine manure	75	38.30	6.13	52.63	1.95	0.99	15.90
6	LSM	1.5	63.20	11.70	22.89	1.51	0.70	33.38

AQUEOUS EXTRACTION OF BIO-OILS

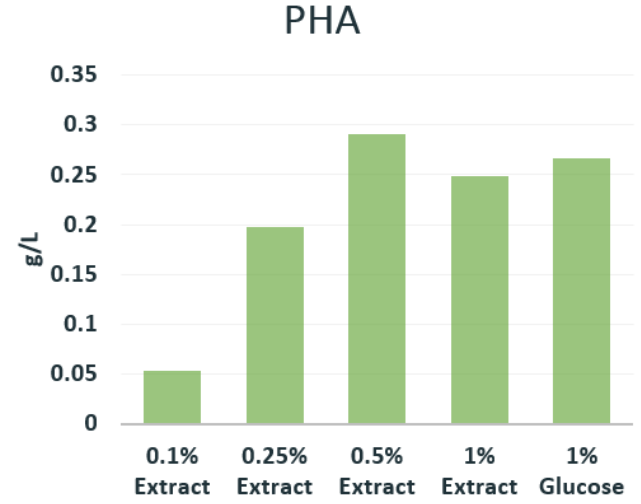
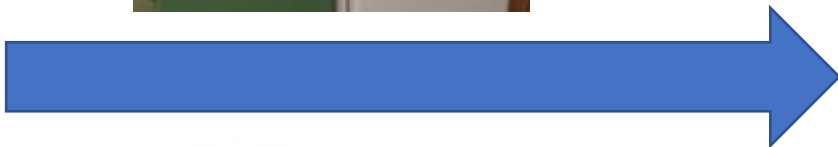
Entry	Sample	Moisture (%)	HHV (MJ/kg)
1	Cork wastes	20	21.6
2	Liquefied cork	0.7	34.14
3	Aqueous extract	9.7	20.29
4	Organic Extract	1.0	37.91

FRACTIONATING BIO-OIL



BIO-PLASTICS - POLYHYDROXYALKANOATES

"Polyhydroxyalkanoates (PHA) are polyesters produced by several groups of bacteria as a carbon and energy reserve"



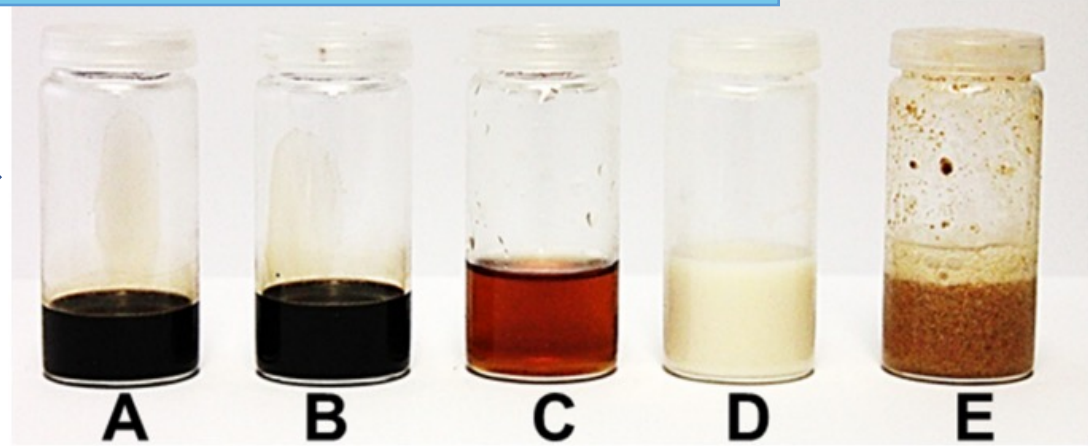
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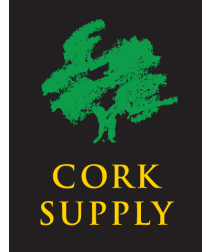
PRODUCTION OF SUSTAINABLE ADHESIVES FOR BIO-OIL DERIVATIVES



>96% BIO-BASED COMPONENTS

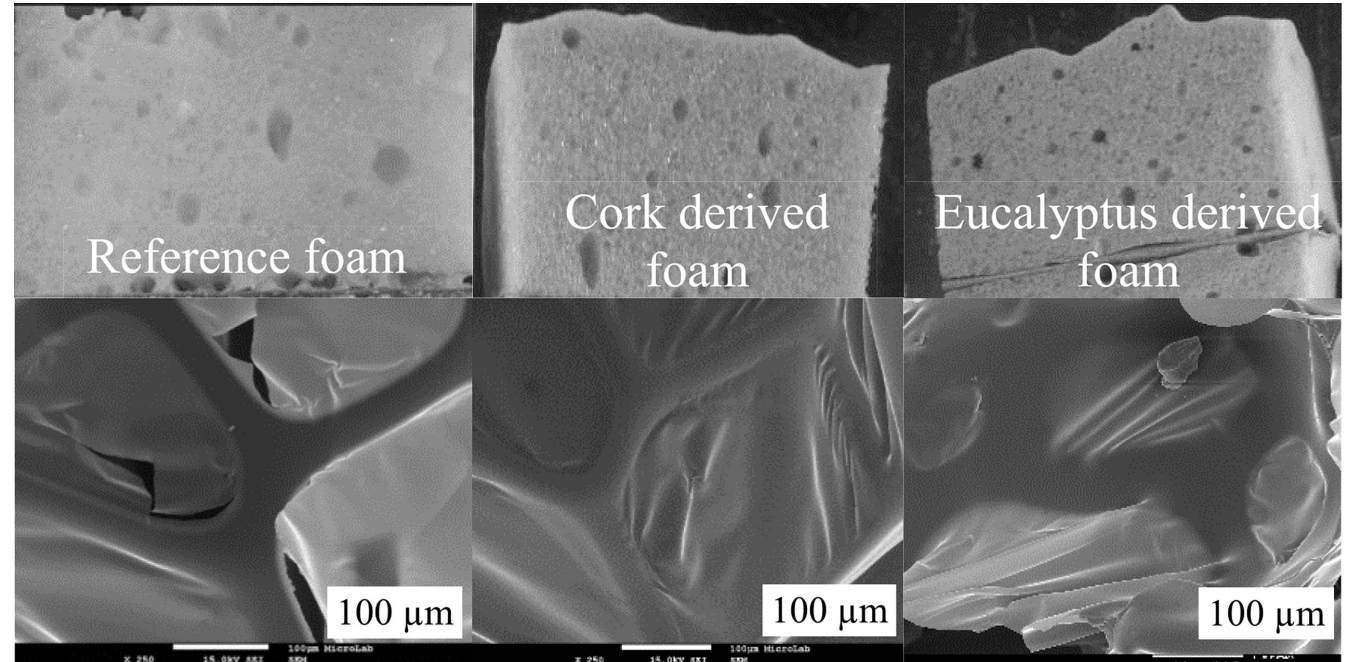
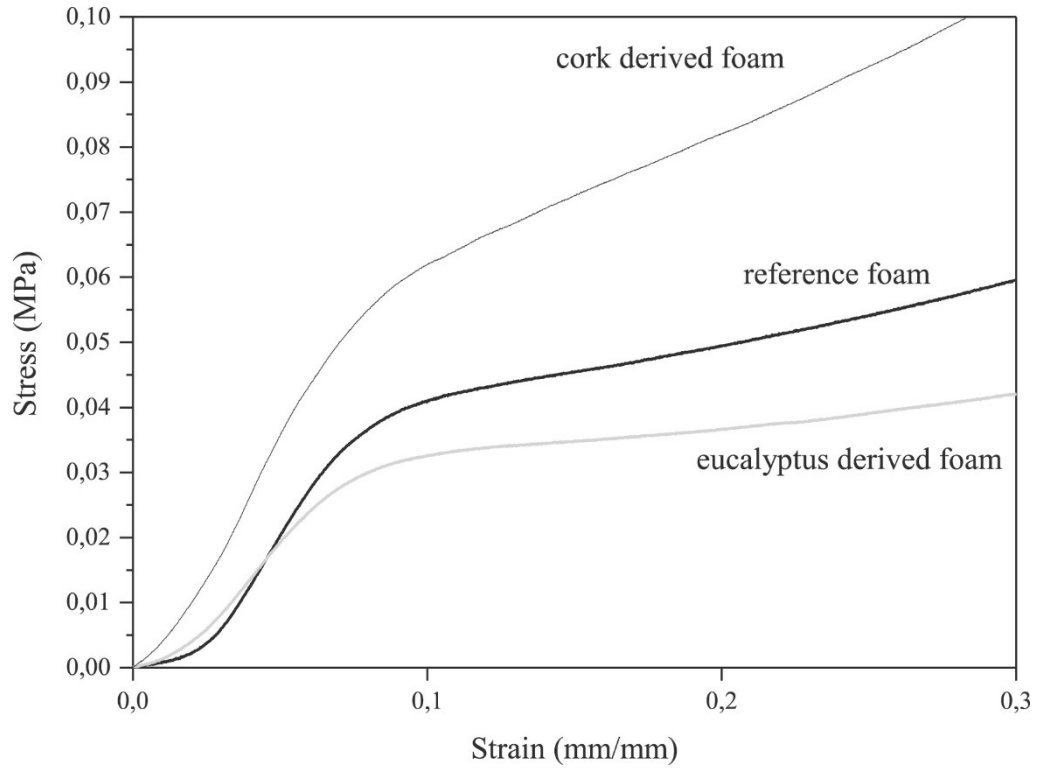


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PU FOAMS FROM LIQUIFIED BIOMASS

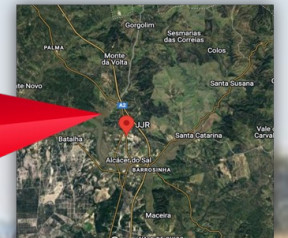


SUSTAINABLE BIO-BINDER FOR ROAD PAVEMENT PRODUCTION OF BITUMEN FROM BIO-OILS

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION – June '23



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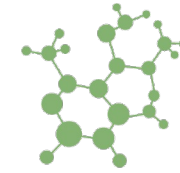


Bio-oil bitumen with properties similar to those of 35/50 bitumen





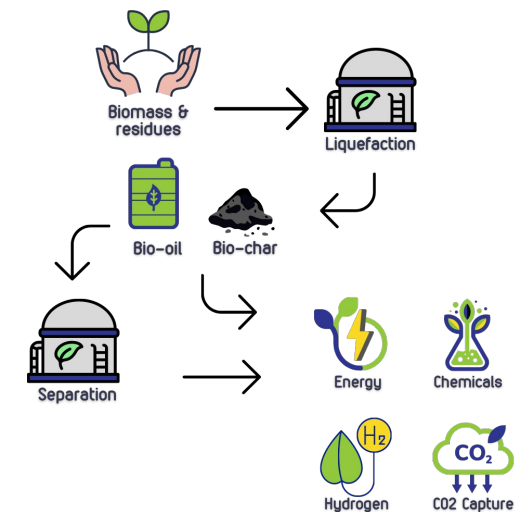
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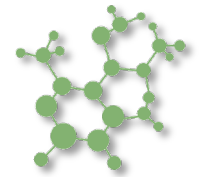
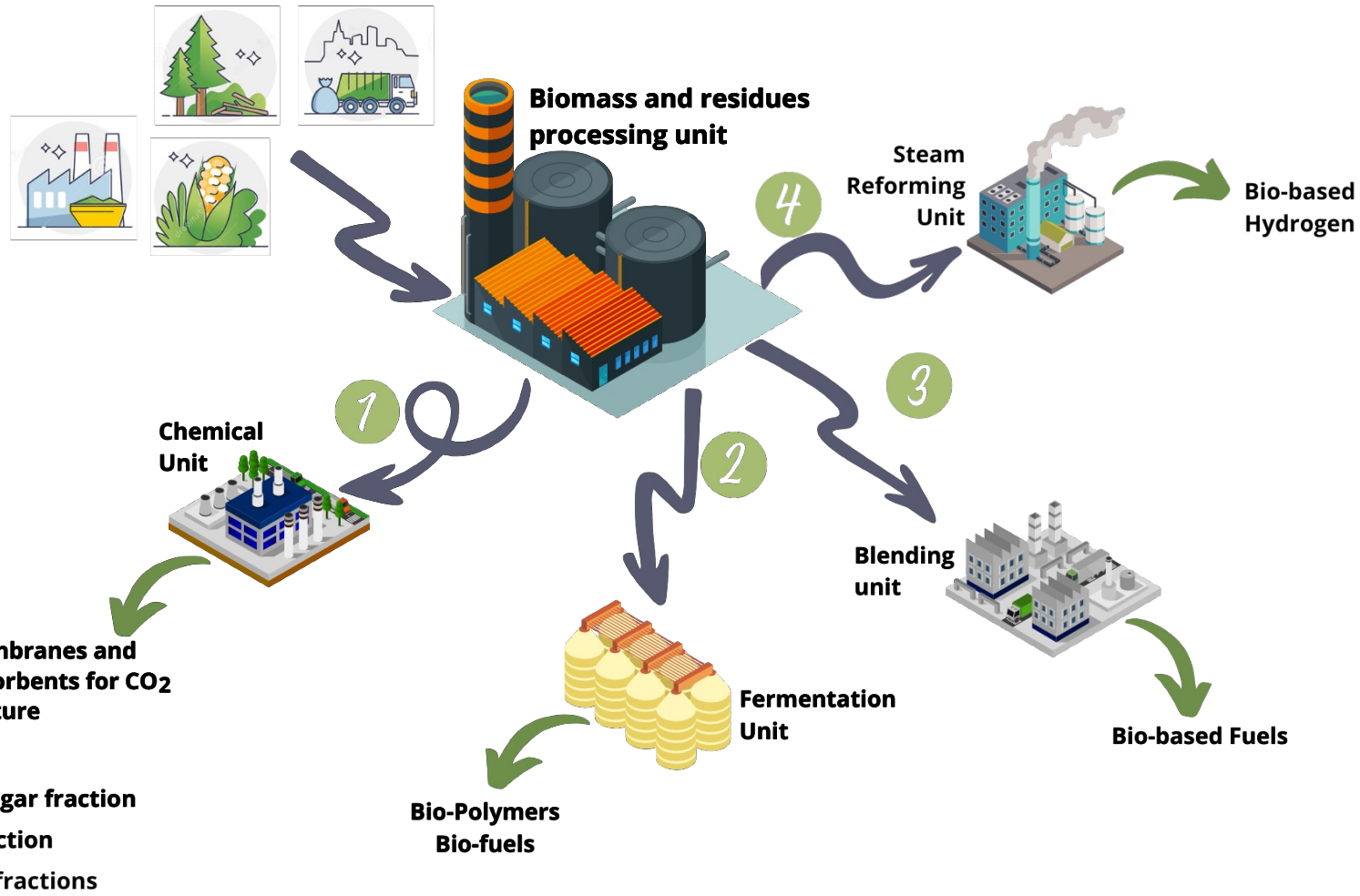
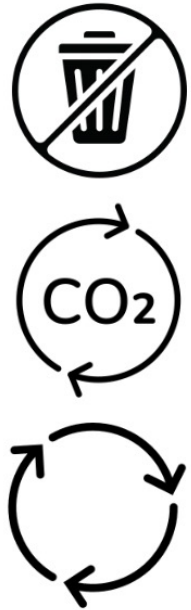
BIO2VALUE
CREATING VALUE

RESEARCH

Bring together the valorization of biomass and the concept of biorefinery in an integrated platform for the upcycling of biomass, but above all of waste



BIO2VALUE – AN INTEGRATED PLATFORM FOR THE RECOVERY OF BIOMASS AND WASTE



BIO2VALUE
CREATING VALUE

ZERO WASTES | CO₂ NEUTRAL | CIRCULAR

CAN BIO-OILS BE A SOLUTION IN THE TRANSITION TO A MORE SUSTAINABLE ECONOMY?







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