

# Wonders of Biotechnology

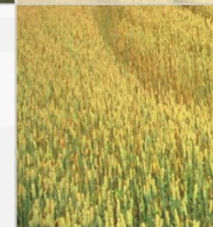
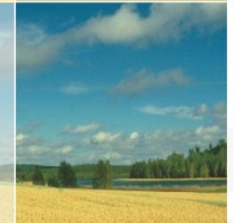
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- ❑ Need for Alternative Transportation Fuels
- ❑ Production of Alternative Fuels using Renewable Resources
- ❑ Biodiesel and Ethanol



- Modern energy created our prosperity
- Without it everything ends:
  - Automated Transportation
  - Electricity
  - Most Agriculture
  - Potable Water etc.

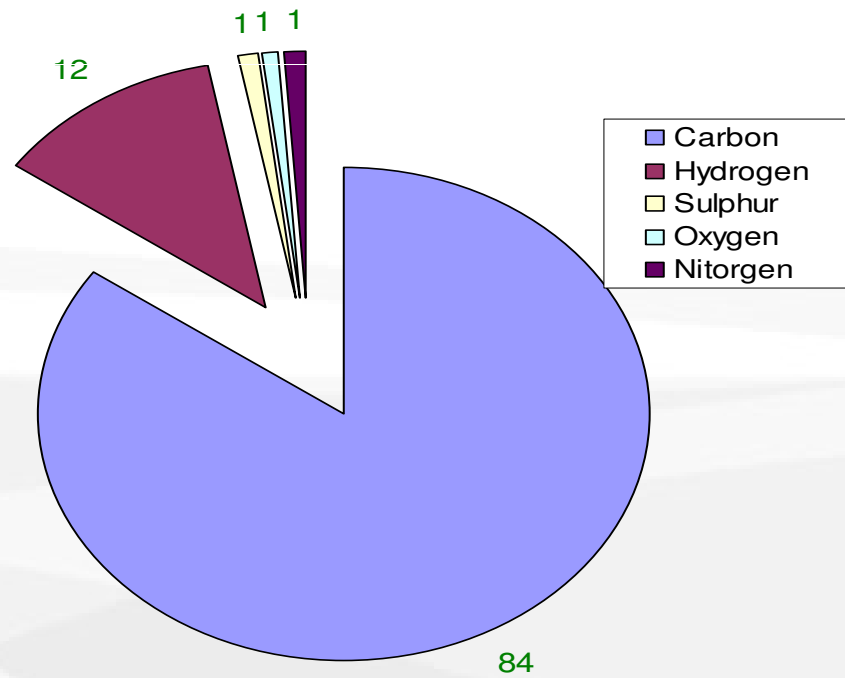
**Crude oil is a major source of modern energy**

## What is Crude Oil?

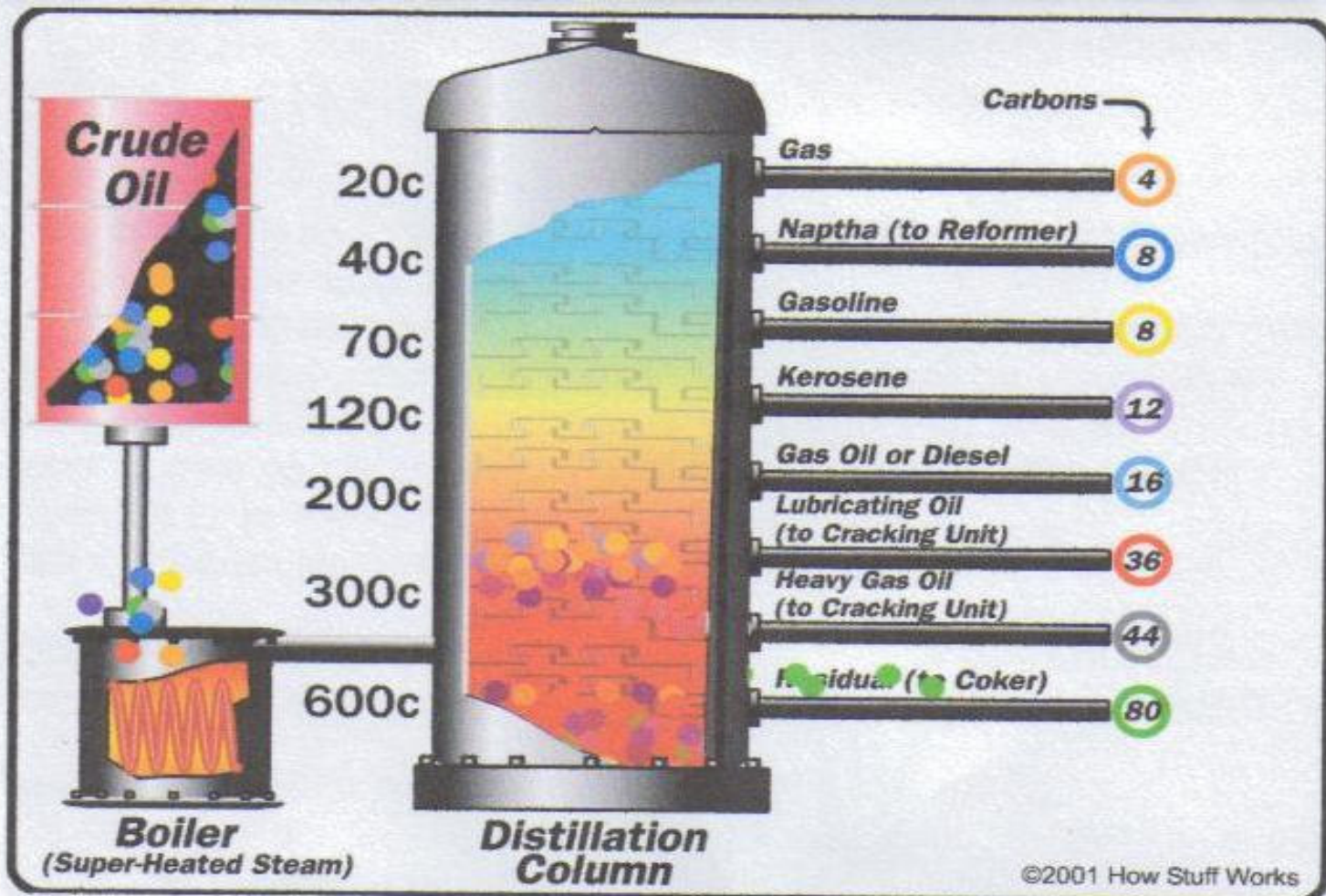
Crude oil is the term for "unprocessed" oil, the stuff that comes out of the ground. It is also known as petroleum.

Crude oil is a fossil fuel, meaning that it was made naturally from decaying plants and animals living in ancient seas millions of years ago

### Crude Oil Components



# Crude Oil Refining Process



The oil refining process starts with a fractional distillation column.

## Petroleum diesel consumption for transportation

Contry/Region	Petroleum Diesel Consumption (MT/Yr)	% Diesel Consumption for Transportation	Transportation Petroluem Diesel Consumption (MT/yr)
<b>Canada</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>10.8</b>
<b>USA</b>	<b>178.4</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>116.0</b>
<b>EU</b>	<b>258.5</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>152.5</b>
<b>World</b>	<b>934.3</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>560.6</b>

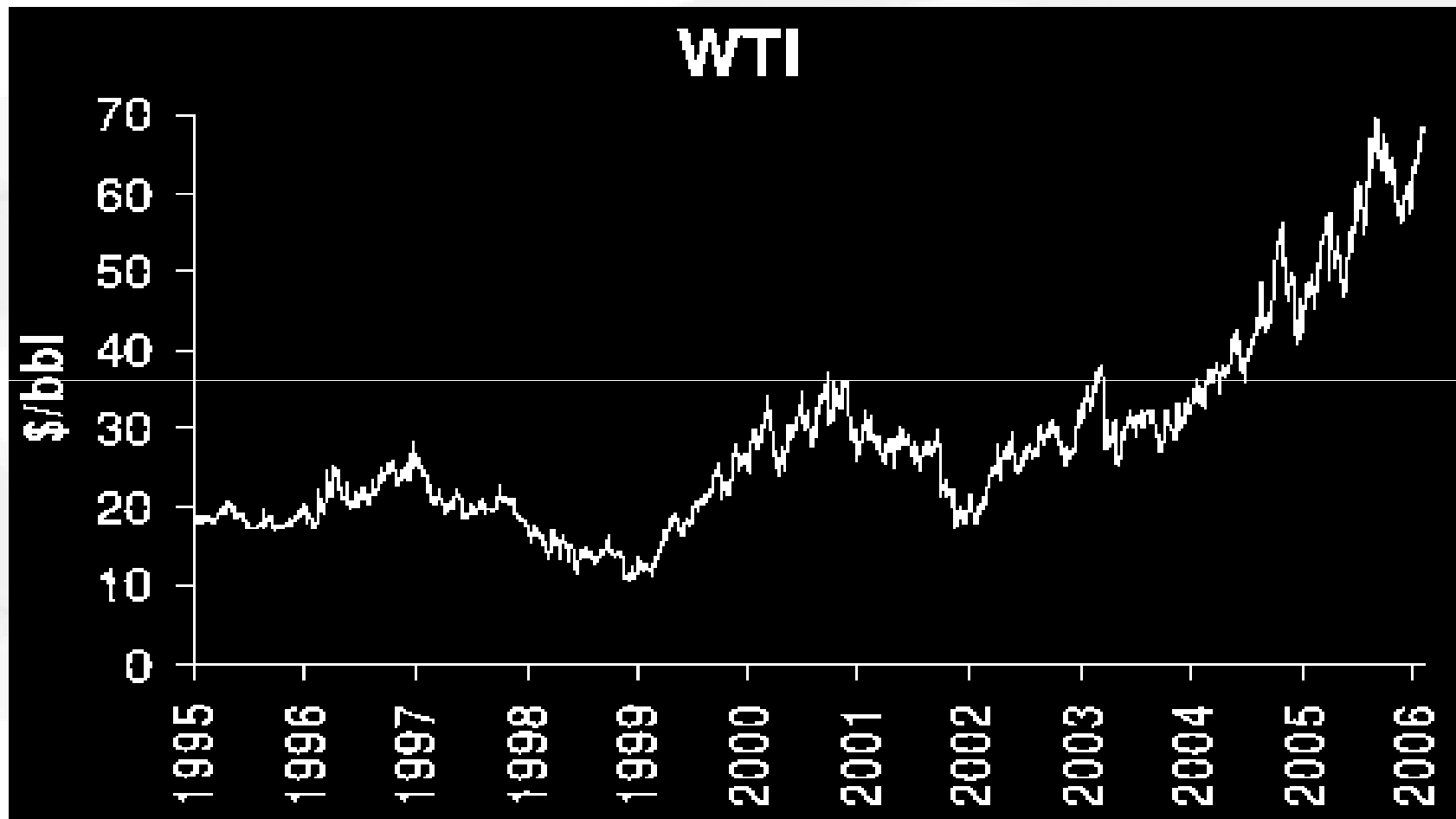
Source: IEA 2004a data, balance of consumption utilized for industry, agriculture and public services

India: Annual diesel consumption ~ 40 million tonnes  
 - 70% of crude oil is imported.

**Every day we spend 1000 Cr for importing crude oil**

Crude oil	Proved Reserves (billion tonnes)	R/P Ratio (years)
Middle East	89.4	93.4
USA	3.8	9.8
Total World	137	43

<http://stason.org/TULARC/vehicles/gasoline-faq/4-2-When-will-we-run-out-of-crude-oil.html>



**Crude oil prices**

**Source: Simmons and Company, 2006**



## Sources of the principal pollutants

	CO (%)	NOx (%)	HC (%)
Gasoline vehicles	90	52	40
Domestic	5	3	2
Power stations	1	26	< 1
Industry	4	11	56
Others	-	8	1

- ❑ *Reduce use of fossil fuels*
- ❑ *Invest in alternative renewable fuels.*

## **Biomass As A Source of Energy**

## Biomass Production in India

<b>Average Production of Various Types of Agro Field &amp; Industrial Residue</b>	
<b>Type of Agro residues</b>	<b>Quantity (Million Tonnes / annum)</b>
Straws of various pulses & cereals	225.5
Bagasse	56
Rice Husk	10
Groundnut Shell	11.1
Stalks	2
Various Oil Stalks	4.5
Others (wood chips, wood dust, Agro waste etc)	65.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>375</b>

- **Total Biomass production in India = 375 Million MT per annum**
- **Production of Agro straws is much higher among all biomass materials**
- **Possible Biomass based energy production is estimated at 16000 MW and Bagasse based and Bagasse based Cogeneration potential is estimated at 3500 MW which can be increased upto 5000 MW**

**Table 1.2: Potential non-edible oilseed plants in India.**

No.	Botanical Name	Common Name	Distribution	Potential (Metric tones)	Oil (%)	Use
1	<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Neem	Throughout India, mostly in dry forests of Andhra Pradesh, Tamilnadu and Karnataka	5,00,000	35-40	Medicinal, biopesticides
2	<i>Pongamia pinnata</i>	Karanja	Throughout India	2,00,000	27-39	Soaps, lubricants, illumination, industrial
3	<i>Shorea robusta</i>	Sal	Central Himalayas and foothills of Himalayas, in sub temperate regions.	62,00,000	13	Cocoa butter substitute, soap, vanaspati
4	<i>Madhuca indica</i>	Mahua	Central India, Planes of north India.	5,20,000	35	Cocoa butter substitute, soap, vanaspati
5	<i>Schleichera trijuga</i>	Kusum	Forests of sub-Himalayan tracts, in north and east part of India	45,000	34	Soap, medicinal, illumination, lubricant
6	<i>Calophyllum inophyllum</i>	Undi	Along sea coasts	11,467	50-73	Illumination, soap

## Why consider biomass as energy?

- ❑ Need to find a substitute to worlds finite non-renewable energy sources
- ❑ Help to reduce the gaseous emissions, eg. Green house gases, particulates
- ❑ Improve security of transport fuel supply
- ❑ Less dependency on imported fuel

**Biodiesel, Ethanol**

Mono alkyl ester of long chain fatty acids derived from renewable lipid sources such as **vegetable oils** or animal fats.

It can replace diesel fuel

*How to make biodiesel?*

## Feedstocks for Biodiesel



Soybean seeds (USA)



Rape Seed (Europe)



Palm Oil Fruit (South East Asia)

# Feedstocks for Biodiesel in India



Karanja (Pongamia Pinnata)



Jatropha Curccus

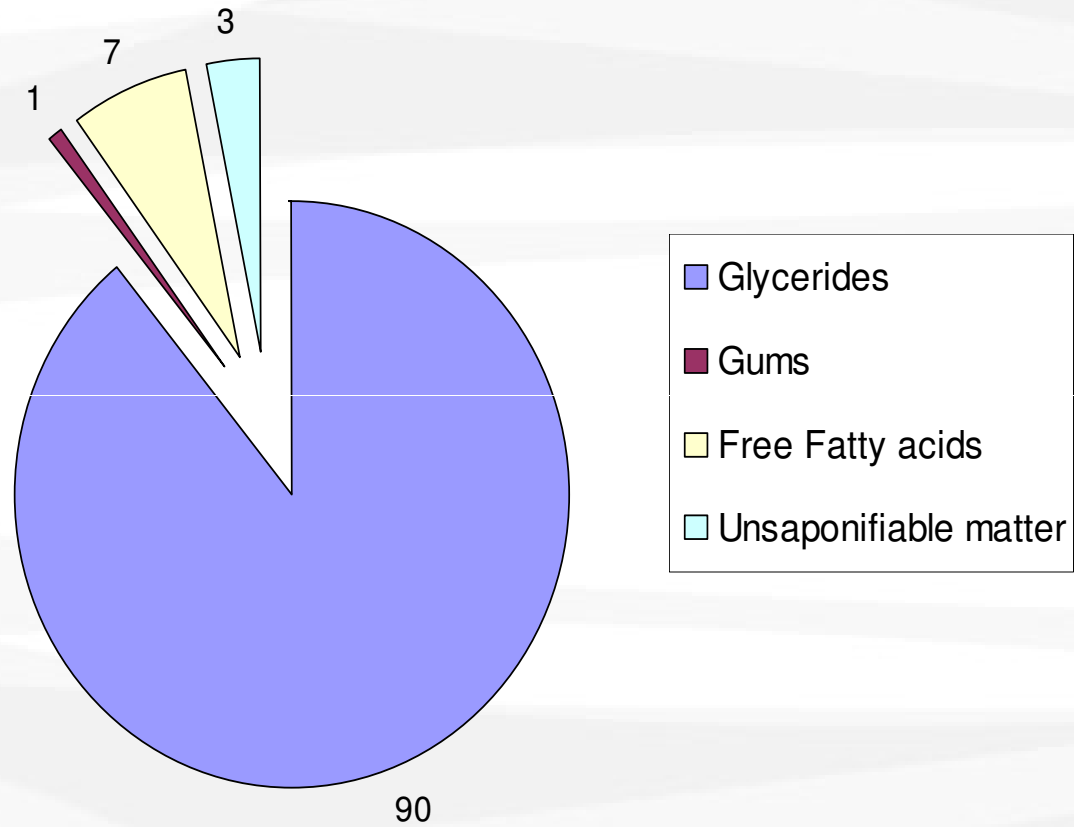


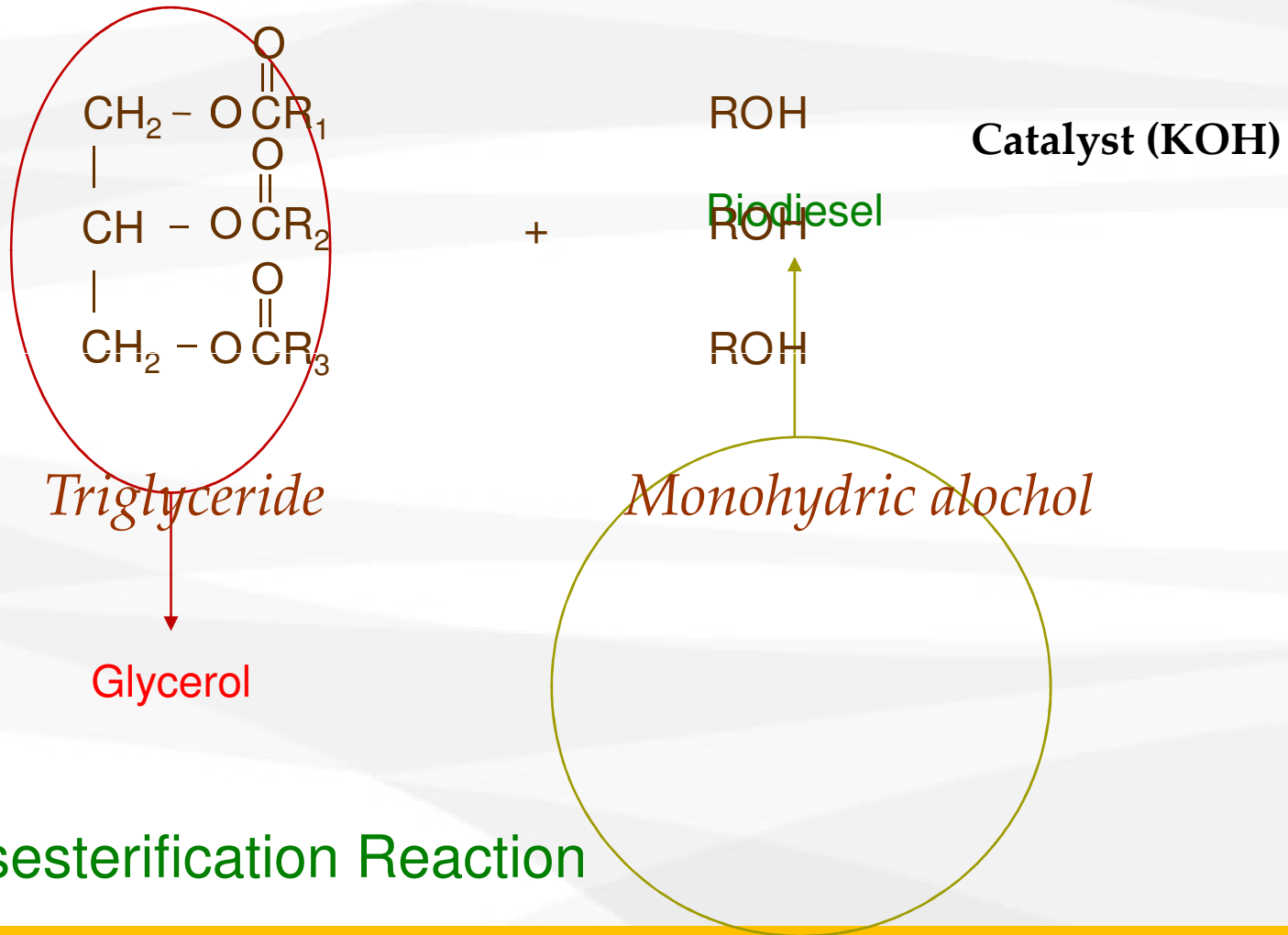
Mahua





# Components of vegetable oil





- Feedstock (Food Vs Fuel Issue in case of edible oils)
  - 85% contribution to the cost of biodiesel

Look for new, economical feedstock for biodiesel

- Utilization of crude glycerol

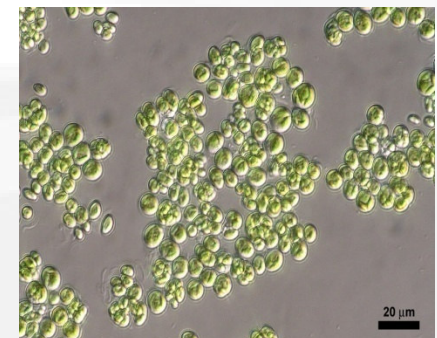
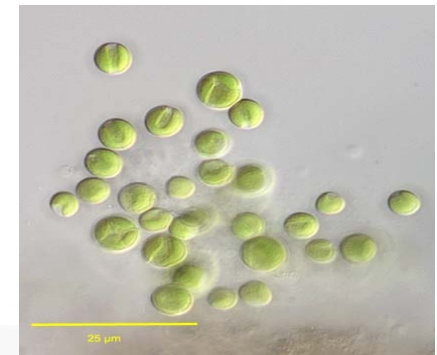
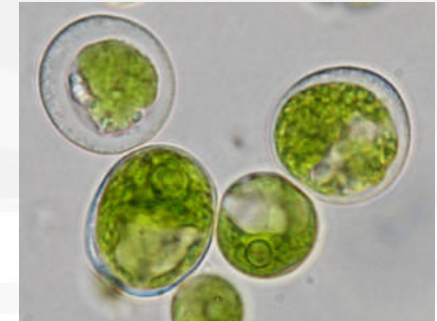
Generate Value added products from Glycerol

## Algae

- ❑ Algae are "plant-like" organism
- ❑ Photosynthetic group of organism
- ❑ Algae are mostly found in aquatic ecosystem
- ❑ Algae synthesizes lipids ( oils) , starches, and proteins
- ❑ Algae can grow under natural and artificial light

### Important classes of Algae for oils

- ❑ The Diatoms (Bacillariophyceae)
- ❑ The green algae (Chlorophyceae)
- ❑ The blue-green algae (Cyanophyceae)
- ❑ The golden algae (Chrysophyceae)

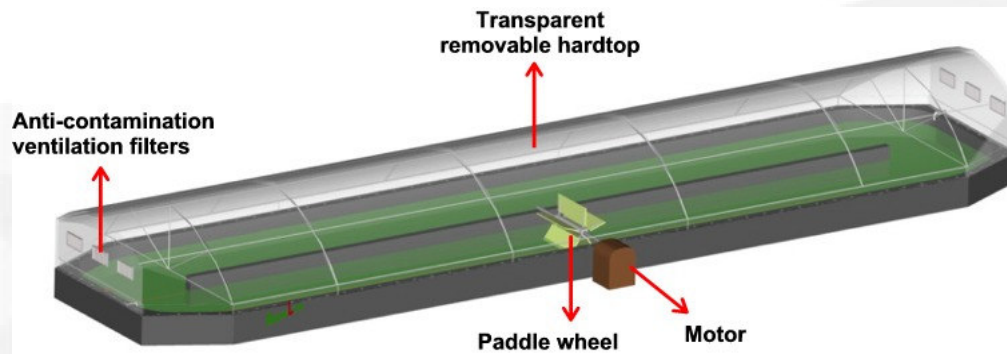


- ❑ Can yield average 35% oil by weight
- ❑ Can double their numbers in a single day.
- ❑ Are much more efficient converters of solar energy than any known plant

## Comparison of Oil Yields for Various Crops

Crop	Oil yield (L/ha)	Percent of existing US cropping area
Corn	172	846
Soybean	446	326
Canola	1190	122
<b>Jatropha</b>	<b>1892</b>	<b>77</b>
Coconut	2689	54
Oil Palm	5950	24
<b>Microalgae<sup>c</sup></b>	<b>58,700</b>	<b>2.5</b>

# Algal production



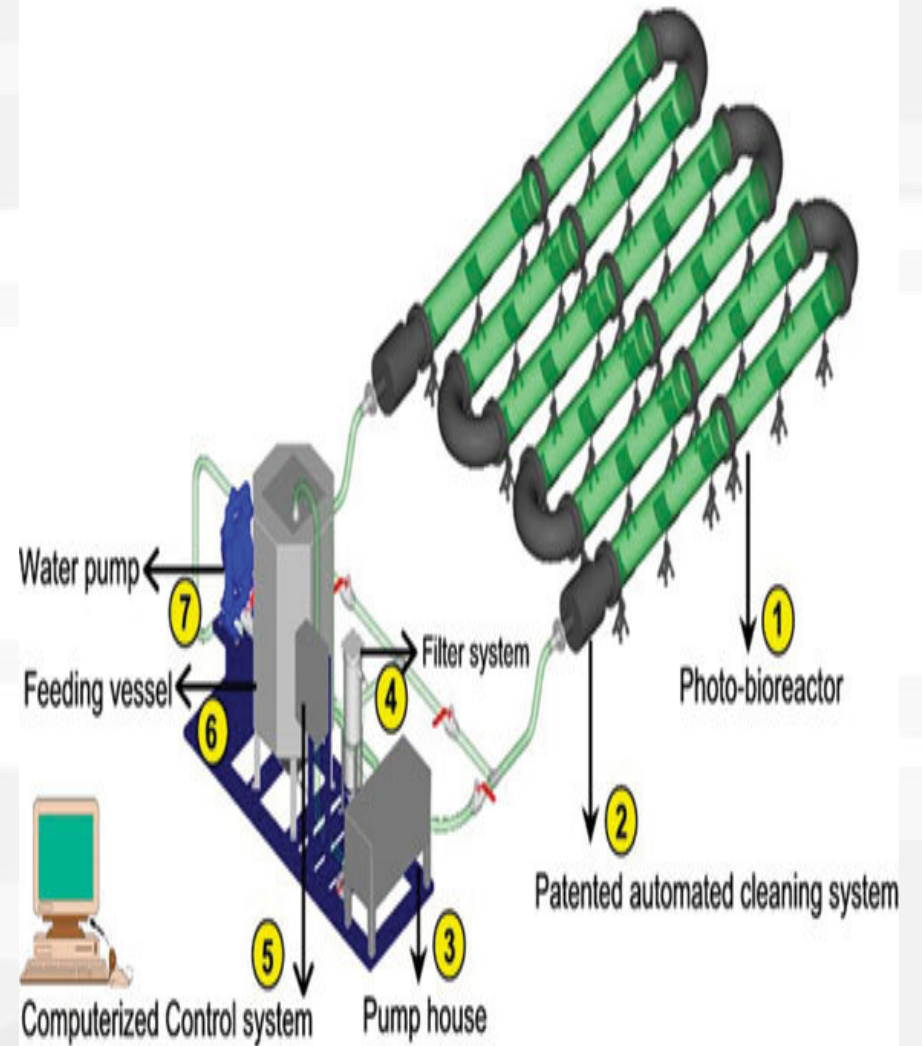
## Raceway ponds:

Algae, water and nutrients circulate around the race track

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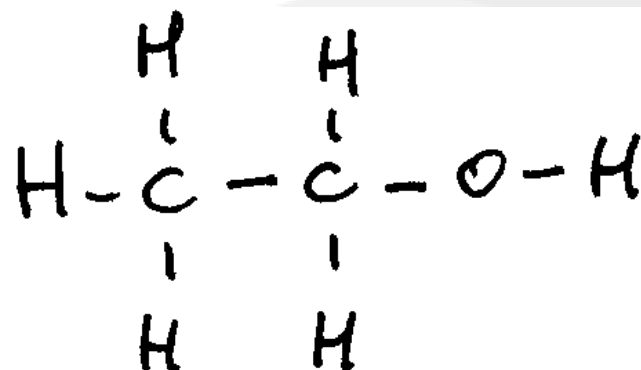


# Photobioreactor





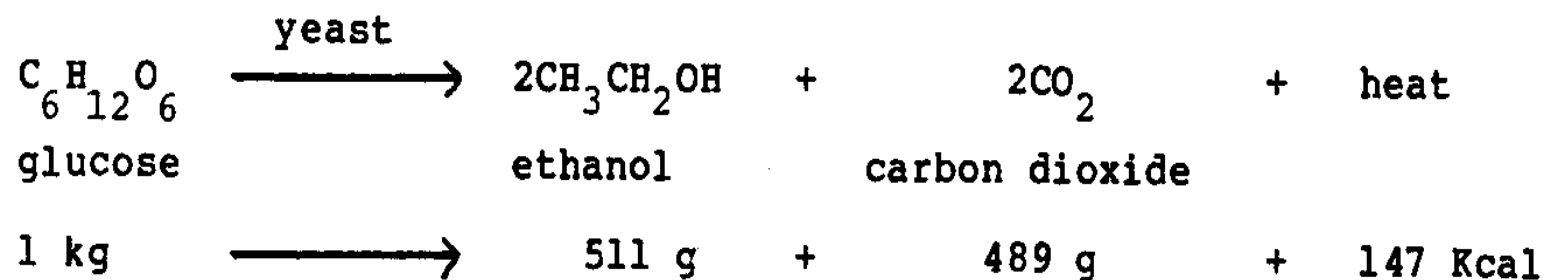
- **Oil yield in a large scale ponds**
- **Open pond- Contamination issues**
- **Economical method for removing algae from water**
- **Extraction of oil from algae**



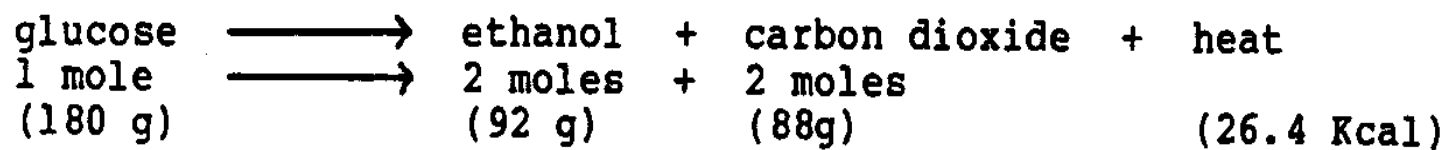
## Use of Ethanol

- ◆ Solvent in chemical industry
- ◆ Biofuel : As an additive in petrol
- ◆ Potable

## How to make Ethanol ?



Expressed in moles, the equation is as follows:



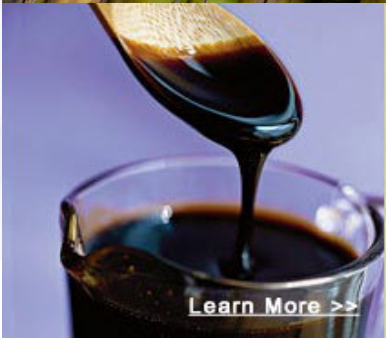
Sugar



Sugary Feedstocks

Starchy Feedstocks

Cellulosic Feedstocks



## Sugary Feedstocks

Sucrose : 35-40 %  
Fructose : 5-7 %  
Glucose : 2-3 %  
Protein : 6-7 %  
Nitrogen : 1-1.5%  
Ash : 8-10%  
Metal salts : 4-4.5%  
(Ca, K, Cl, mg, S, Na,  
Cu, Fe, Mn, Z, CO, I, Se)  
Vitamins : 0.5-0.7 %  
(Biotin, Folic acid, Inositol,  
Riboflavin, Thiamin,  
Niacin)

## Starch Feedstocks

Starch : 85-90 %  
Protein : 7-9 %  
Oil : 0.8-1 %  
Ash : 0.3-0.5%  
Sugars : 0.5%  
Fiber : 1.5-2%  
Metal salts and  
vitamins

## Cellulosic Feedstocks

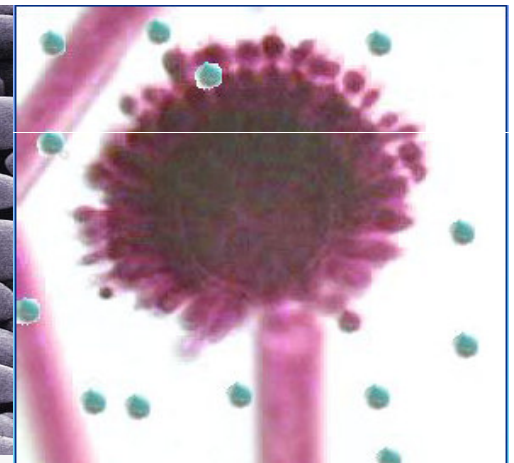
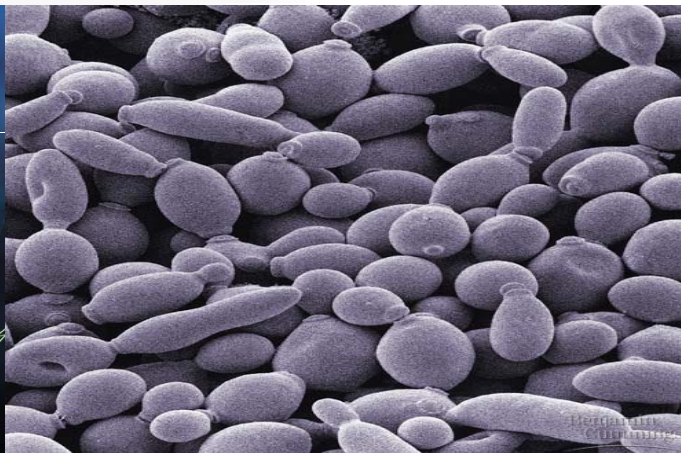
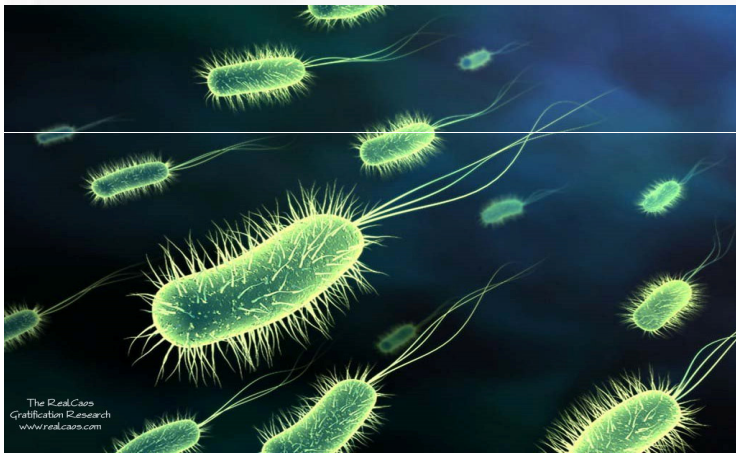
Cellulose : 30-50%  
Hemicellulose : 20-40%  
Lignin : 15-25 %  
Ash : 3-10%  
Proteins : 5-10%  
Resins, fats and fatty acids,  
phenolics, phytosterols,  
salts, minerals, and  
other compounds.

# Who can Produce Ethanol ?

Bacteria

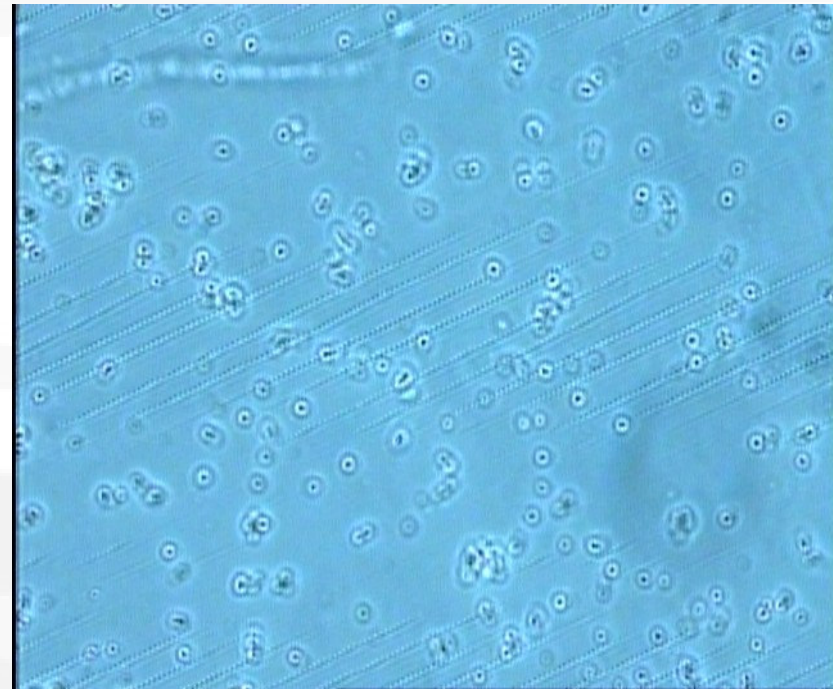
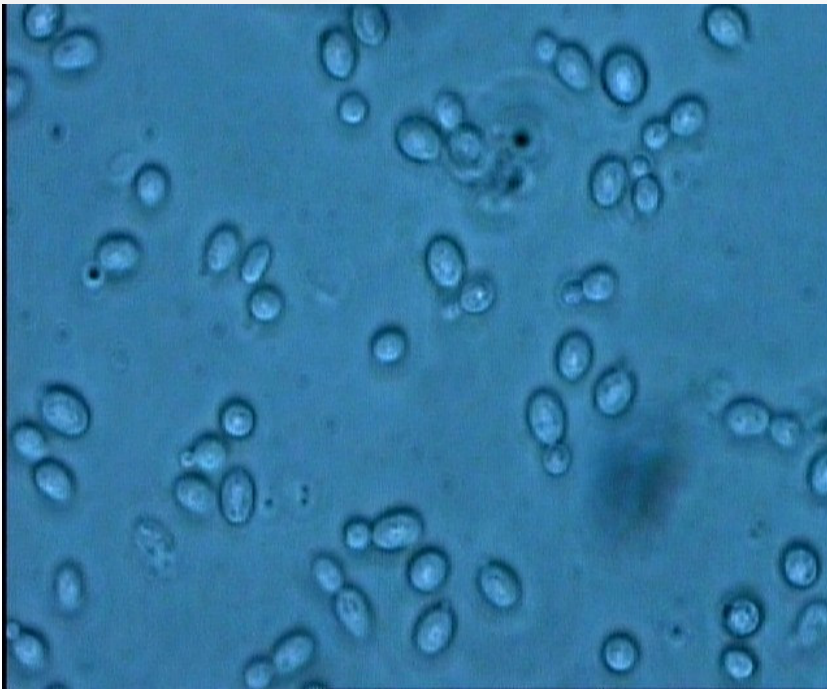
Yeast

Fungi



## Industrially Used Microbes for Ethanol Fermentation

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## Why any microbe should produce ethanol ?

High Availability of sugar : Fruit juices, Jaggery, Cereals, Tubers

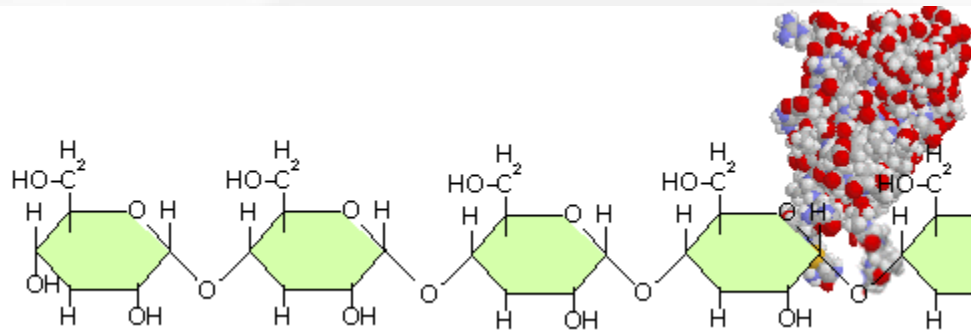
High energy production during ethanol production

Ethanol is exported out of the cell easily

Ethanol is poisonous to other organisms

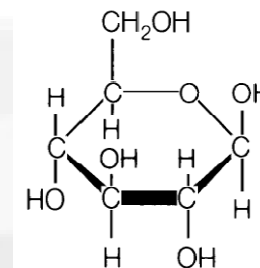
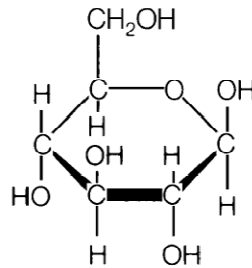
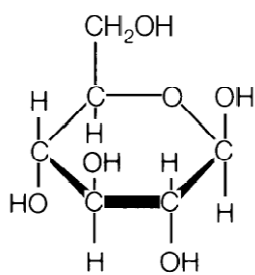


## Starch Feed stocks



Amylase

Starch

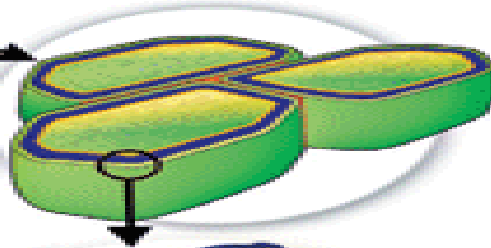


Glucose

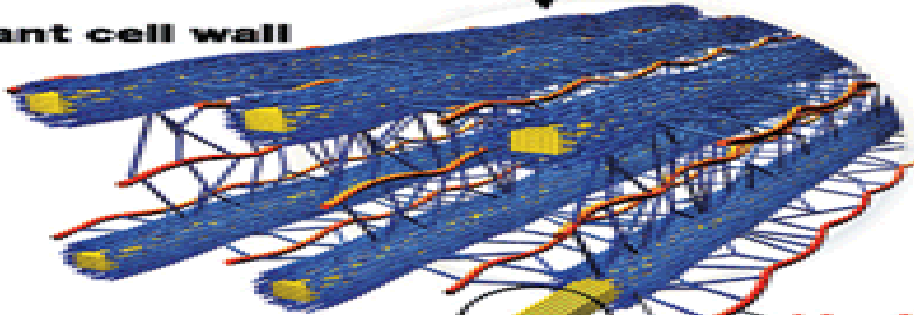
**Bioenergy crop**



**Plant cells**

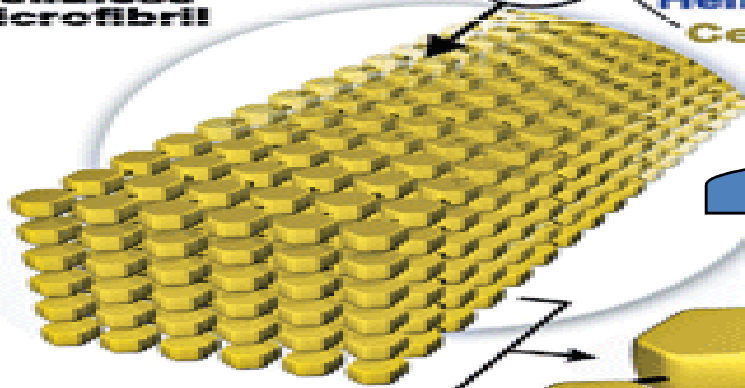


**Plant cell wall**



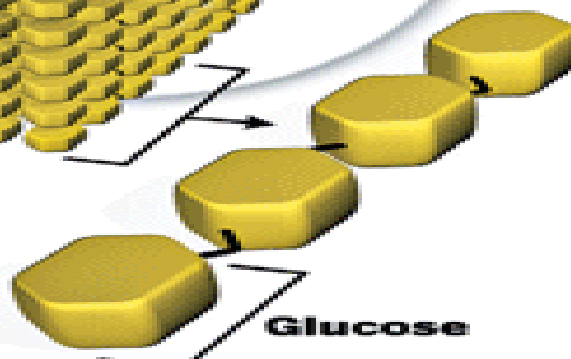
**Cellulose microfibril**

**Lignin**  
**Hemicellulose**  
**Cellulose**

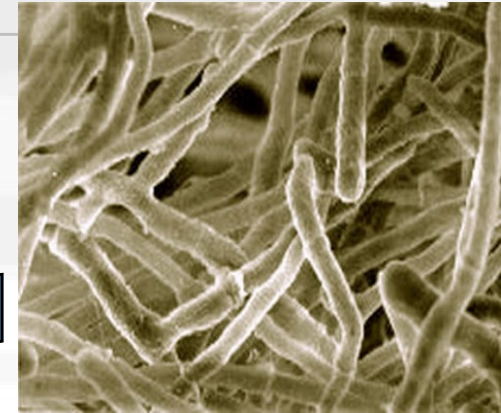


**Sugar molecules**

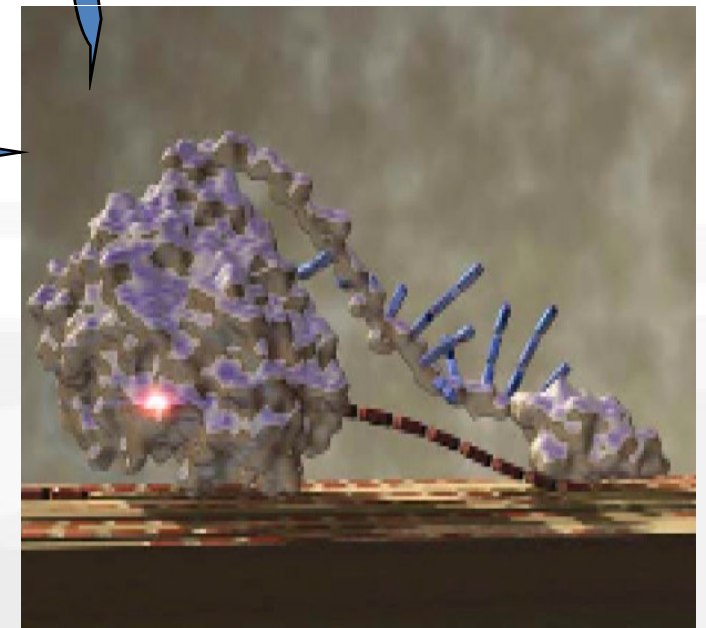
**Glucose**



**Trichoderma reesei**



**Cellulase Enzyme**



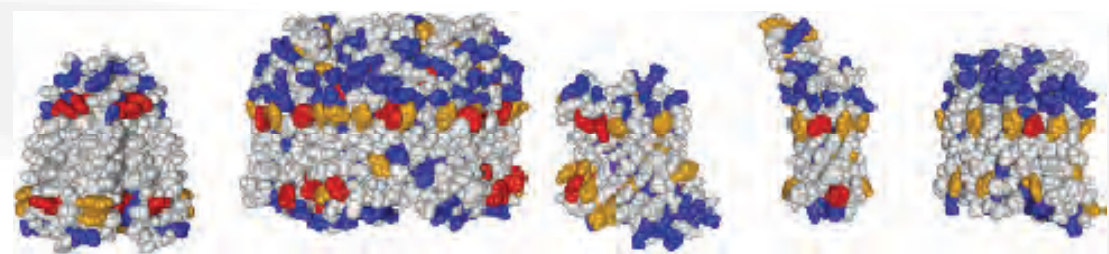
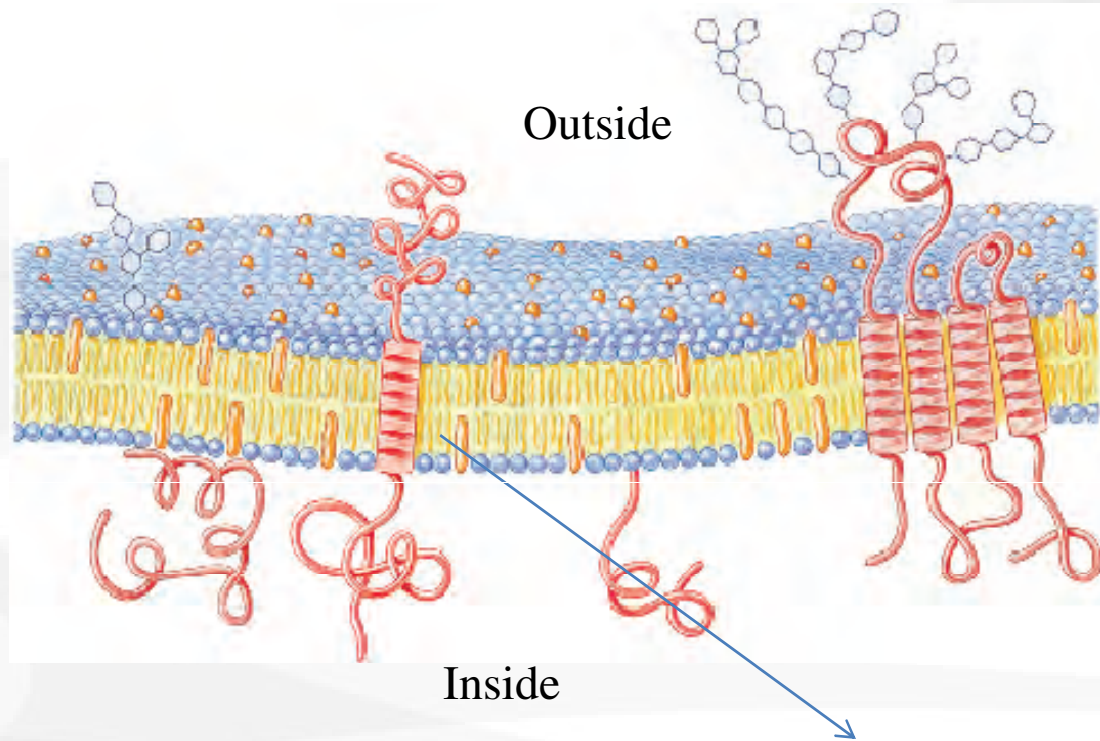
Transport through cell wall

Different receptors for import of different sugars

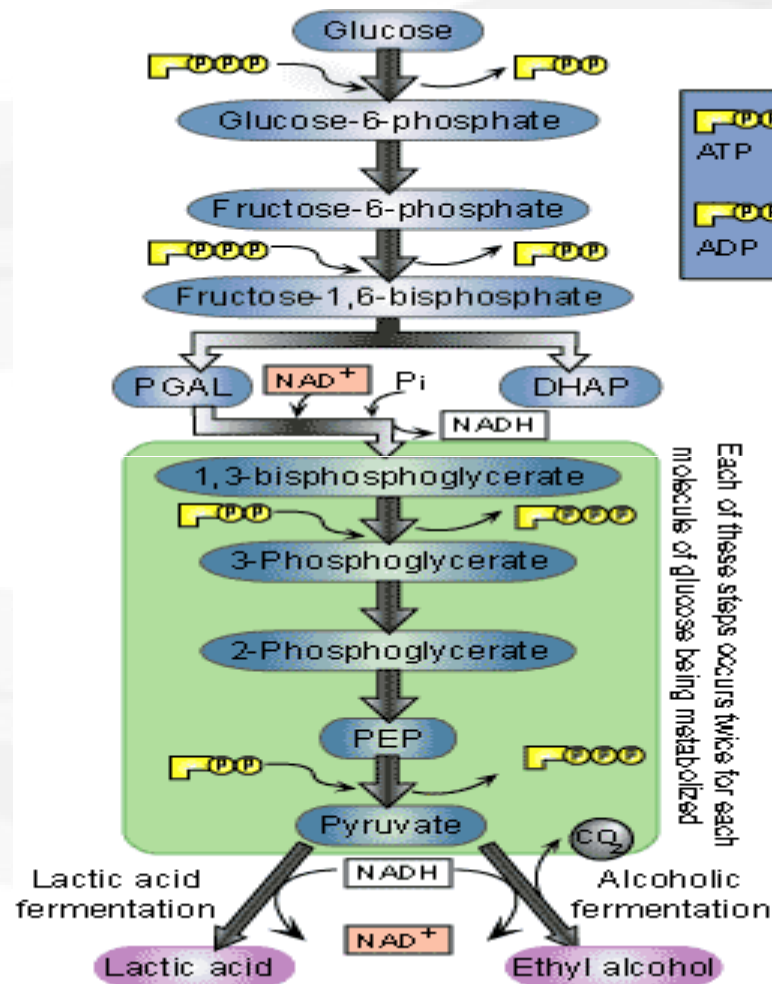
Different types channels across the wall

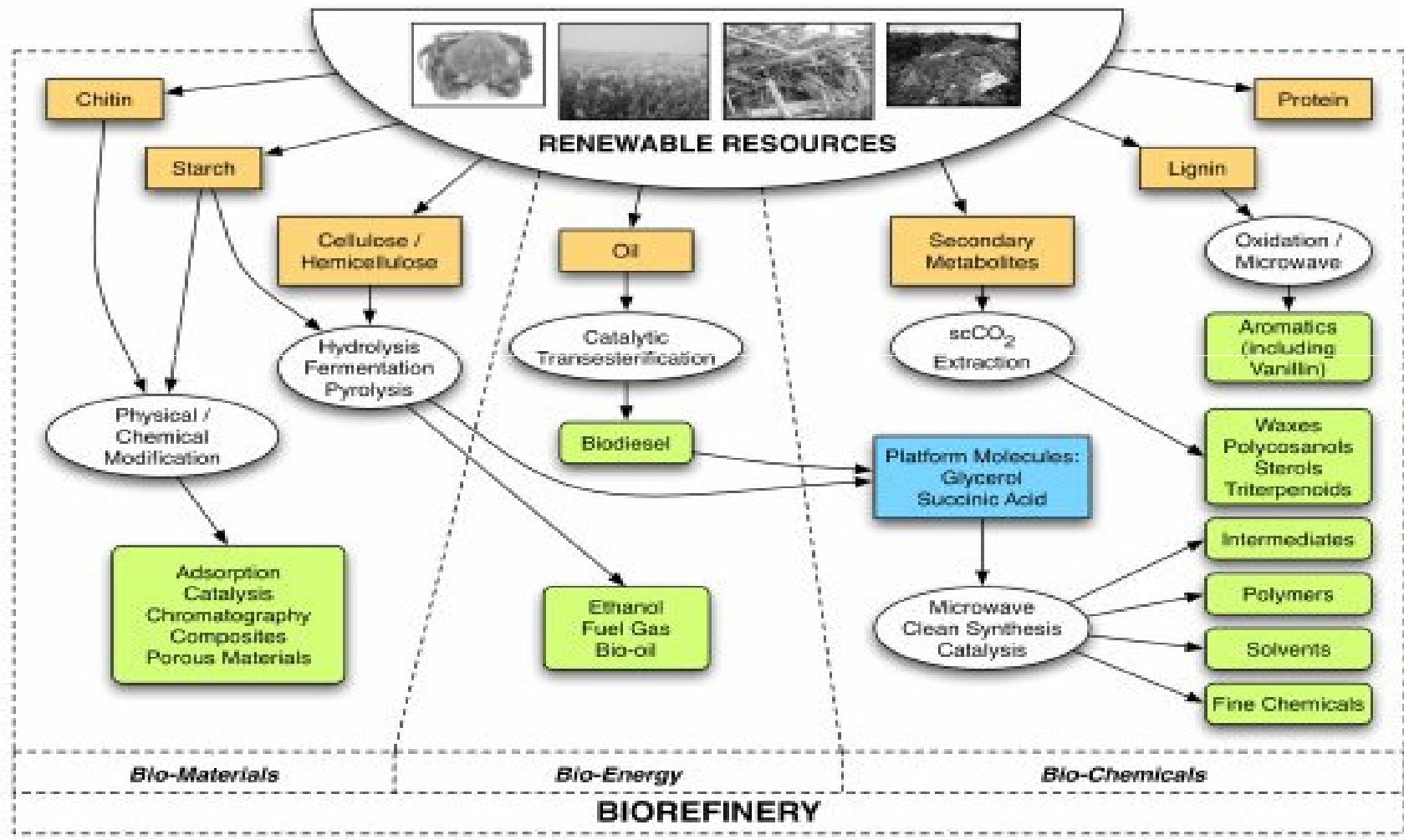
Different types of channels for export of chemicals formed inside the cell

# Transport Through Cell Wall



# Conversion of Glucose to Ethanol





**Special Chemicals**

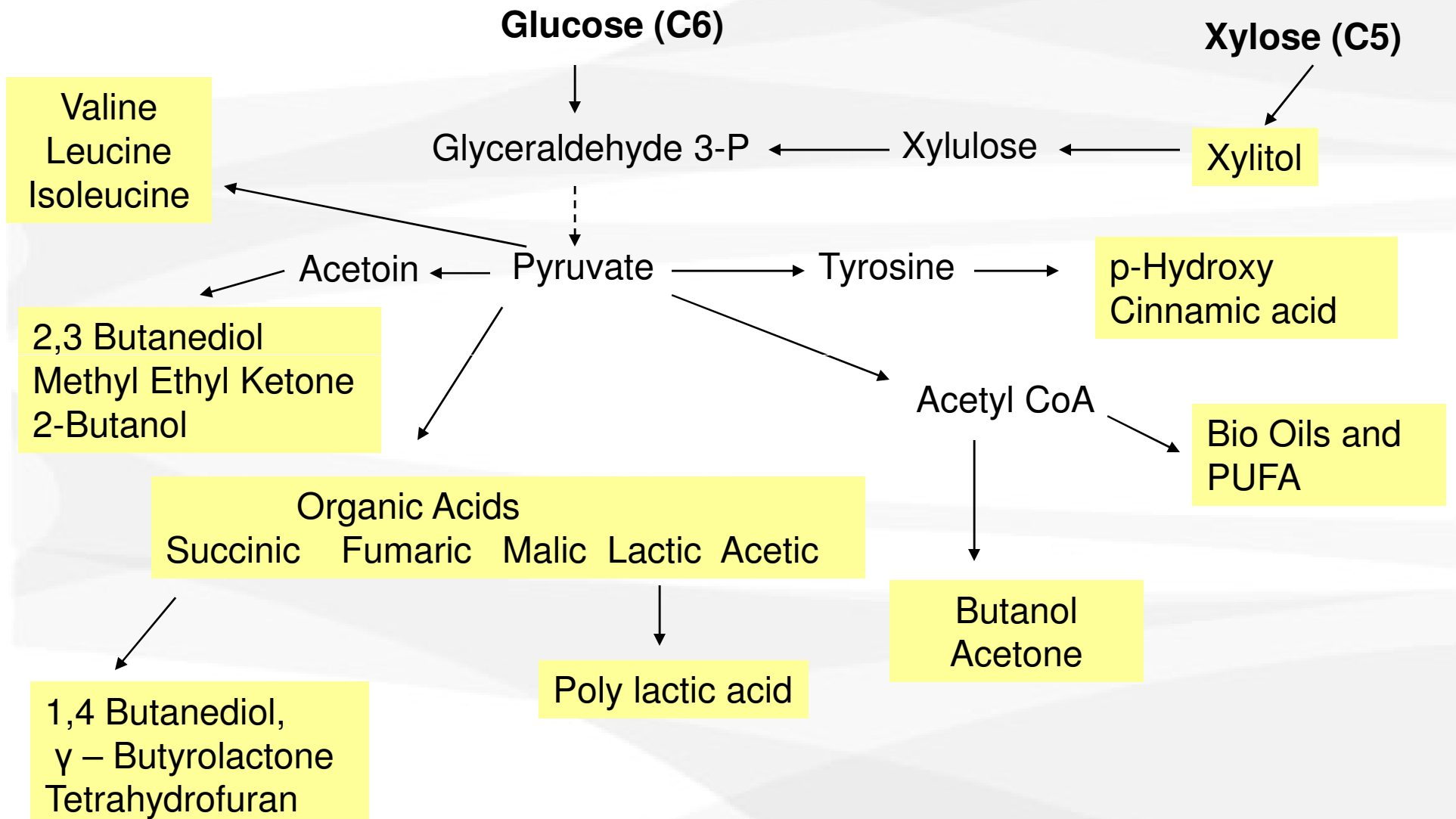
- Pharma Ingredients
- Food and Feed
- Cosmetic Ingredients

**Bulk/Platform Chemicals**

**Replacement of Chemicals  
Produced Through  
Petrochemical Route**

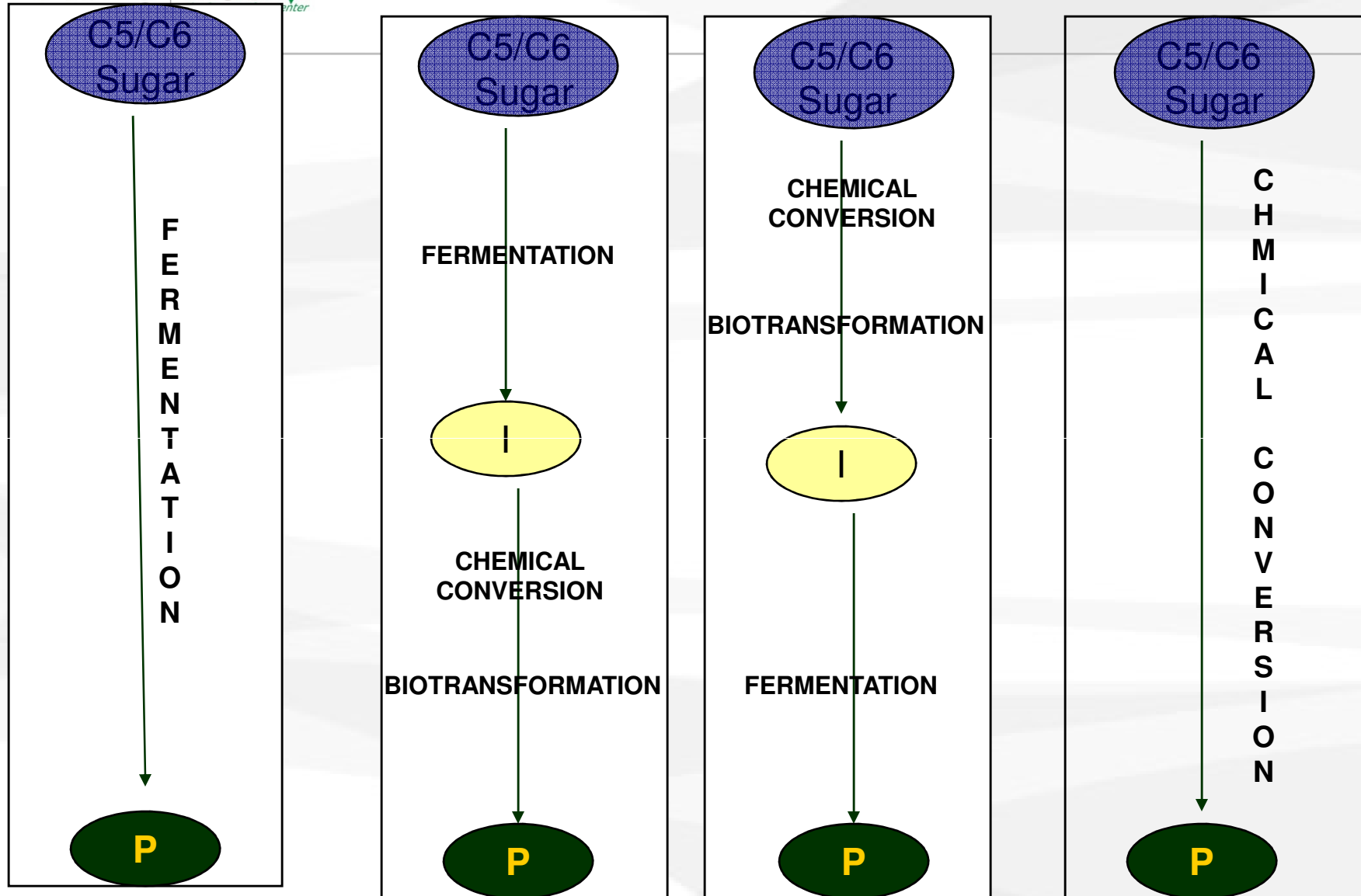
- Solvents
- Plastic
- Paints and Dyes
- Rubber

# Other Than Ethanol !!!





# Production Routes



## First Generation Technology

Sugary Feedstock :

Dirty Feedstock : Organism can not survive

Starchy Feedstock :

Food Vs Fuel Debate

Availability of feedstock

High water consumption per liter of ethanol

Effluent Disposal

## Second Generation Technology

- ❑ Efficient breakdown of feed stock
- ❑ Efficient enzymes: Cellulase
- ❑ Microorganisms to ferment difficult sugars like xylose and arabinose
- ❑ Development of genetically modified organisms which can breakdown cellulose as well as ferment glucose and xylose



Thank You