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# PRESENT POSITION

- Full Professor in Analytical Organic Chemistry at UFPR (admitted in 1986)
- Permanent staff
  - Graduate Studies in Chemistry (1995)
  - Graduate Studies in Bioenergy (2009)
- CNPq Productivity Research Fellow - Level 1B, CA RF
- H factor of 31 in the ISI Web of Knowledge (108 entries)
- Leadership in research groups
  - Research Center in Applied Chemistry (registered in the CNPq Directory since 1994)
  - Institute of Scientific and Technological Innovation in Renewable Energy (created in 2013 as part of the UFPR CT-Infra project)

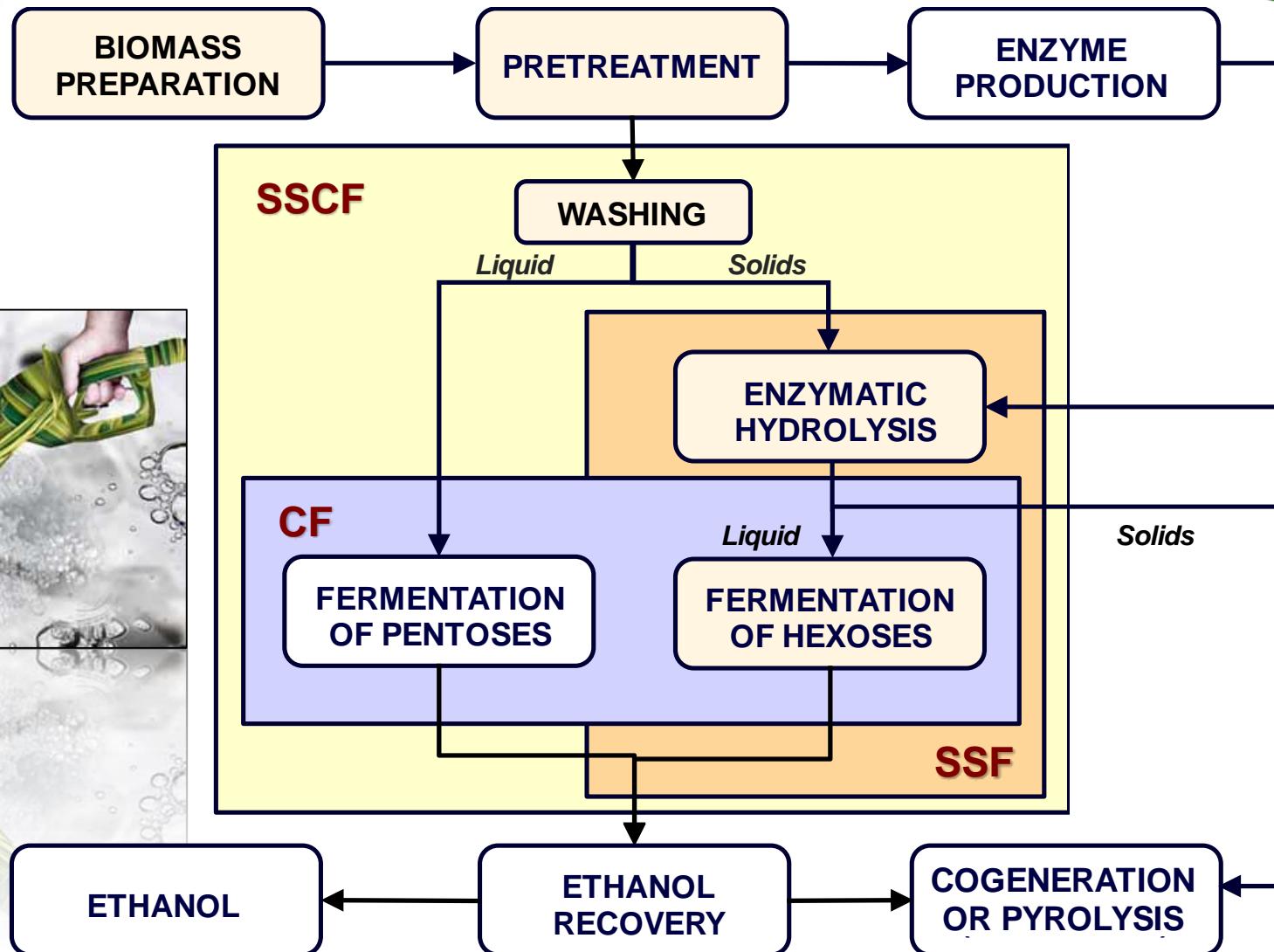
## Biomass chemistry

- Analytical methods for biomass characterization: cellulose, hemicelluloses, lignin, extractives, starch and inorganic materials (ashes).

## Cellulosic ethanol

- Production of cellulosic ethanol from energy crops, biomass wastes and agro-industrial residues using pretreatment methods such as auto-hydrolysis, alkaline extraction, steam explosion, supercritical extraction and ionic liquids, aiming at the complete utilization of process streams under the biorefinery concept.

# CELLULOSIC ETHANOL



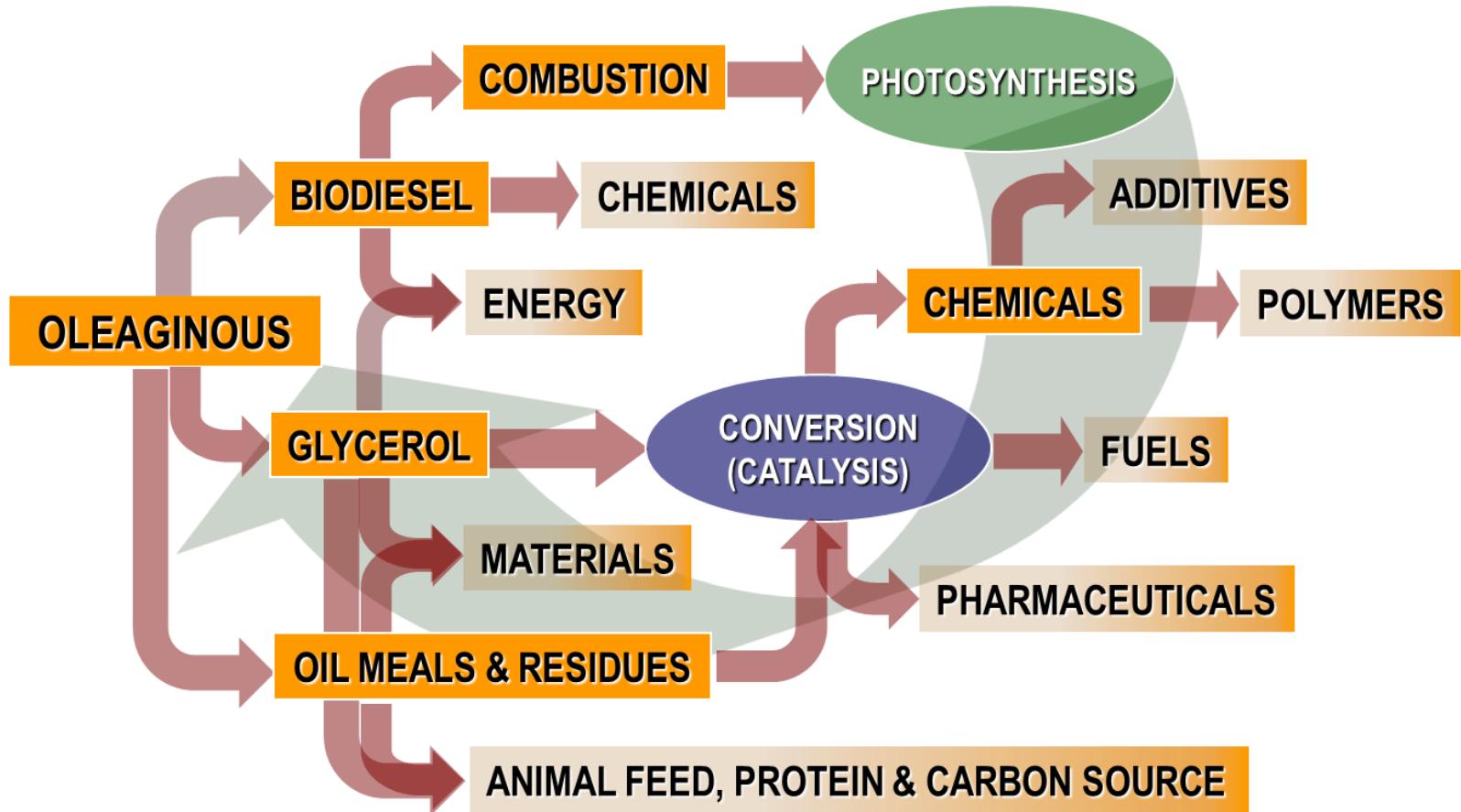
## Technologies for biodiesel production and use

- Processes and products related to the biodiesel production chain employing vegetable oils, animal fat, spent greases, used frying oil and microalgae through heterogeneous catalysis, reactive distillation, reactive extraction, super/subcritical fluids and ionic liquids.

## Use of coproducts derived from the liquid biofuels production chain

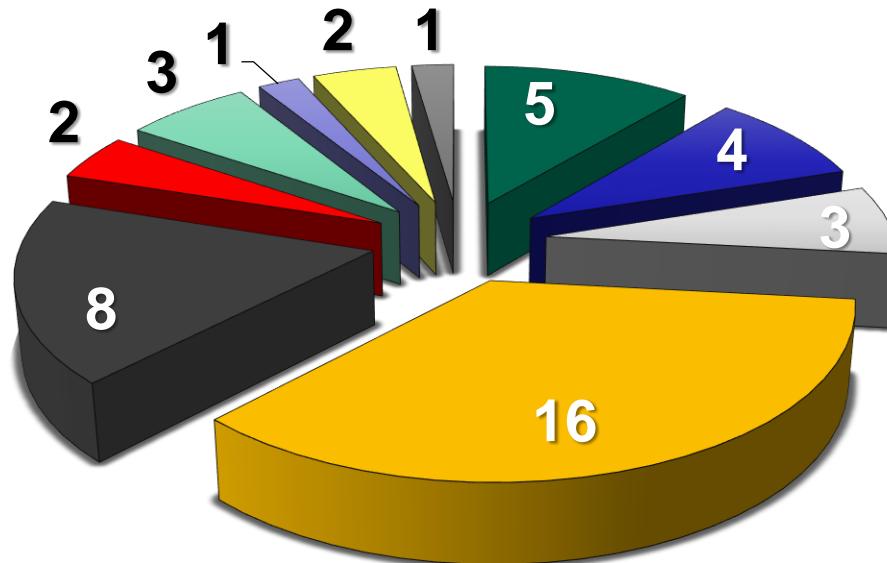
- Use of glycerin, oil cakes and cellulosic residues for the production of plasticizers, surfactants, biodegradable polymers, antioxidants, enzymes, composites and fuel additives (cold flow improvers and octane boosters)

# BIODIESEL PRODUCTION CHAIN



# PATENTS PENDING

IP claimed in Brazil since 2005



- Composites
- Fertilizers
- Intercalation
- Fuel additives
- Ion exchanger
- Nanocomposites
- Catalysts
- Biocatalysts
- Biosurfactant
- Plasticizer

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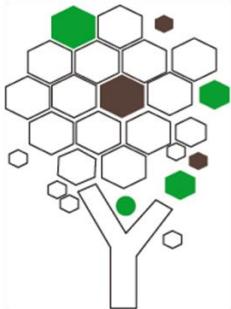
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Dr. José Viriato Correia Vargas

Agency	Project
CYTED	<b>Red Iberoamericana de Docencia e Investigación en Celulosa y Papel (RIADICYP)</b>
	USP, UNESP, UFPR, UFV, Asociación Técnica de la Celulosa y el Papel, Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, Universidad Nacional del Litoral, Universidad de Costa Rica, Unión de Investigación Producción de la Celulosa del Bagazo Cuba, Universidad Central de Las Villas, Universidad de Girona, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Universidad de Barcelona, Universidad de Córdoba, Universidad de Huelva, Universidad Pablo de Olavide – Sevilla, Universidad Politécnica de Cataluña, Universidad de Guadalajara, Universidade de Coimbra, Universidade de Aveiro, Instituto Politécnico de Bragança, Instituto Politécnico de Tomar, Universidade de Porto, Universidade da Beira Interior, Universidade de Aveiro, Universidad de la República, Universidad de Los Andes.
CYTED	<b>Productos de Valor Agregado a Partir de Residuos Agro y Forestoindustriales (Provalor)</b>
	UNAM, UNL, Argentina; INIA, UdG, Espanha; UPB, Colômbia; Universidad de la Republica, Uruguai; Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal; ESALQ-USP, UFPR, IQSC-USP, IPT, Brasil; Suzano Cia Papel e Celulose, Brasil; Fundación Cartif, Espanha; Kemira Chemicals, Brasil
Innova	<b>Integrated Production of Polymers and Ethanol from Forest and Sugar Cane Industries</b>
	Innventia (Suécia), Fibria (Brasil), Stora Enso (Suécia/Brasil), Novozymes Latin America (Brasil), Perstorp (Suécia), Scania (Suécia/Brasil), Sekab (Suécia), KTH (Suécia), Chalmers University (Suécia), UNICAMP, UFRJ, UFPR
EU/FP7	<b>Conversion of Sugar Cane Biomass into Ethanol - CaneBioFuel</b>
	Centro de Tecnologia Canavieira (CTC, Brasil), University of Lund, Novozymes Latin America, Novozymes AS, UFPR



# CURRENT PARTNERSHIPS



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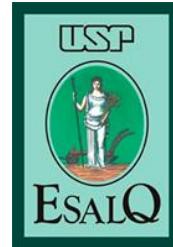
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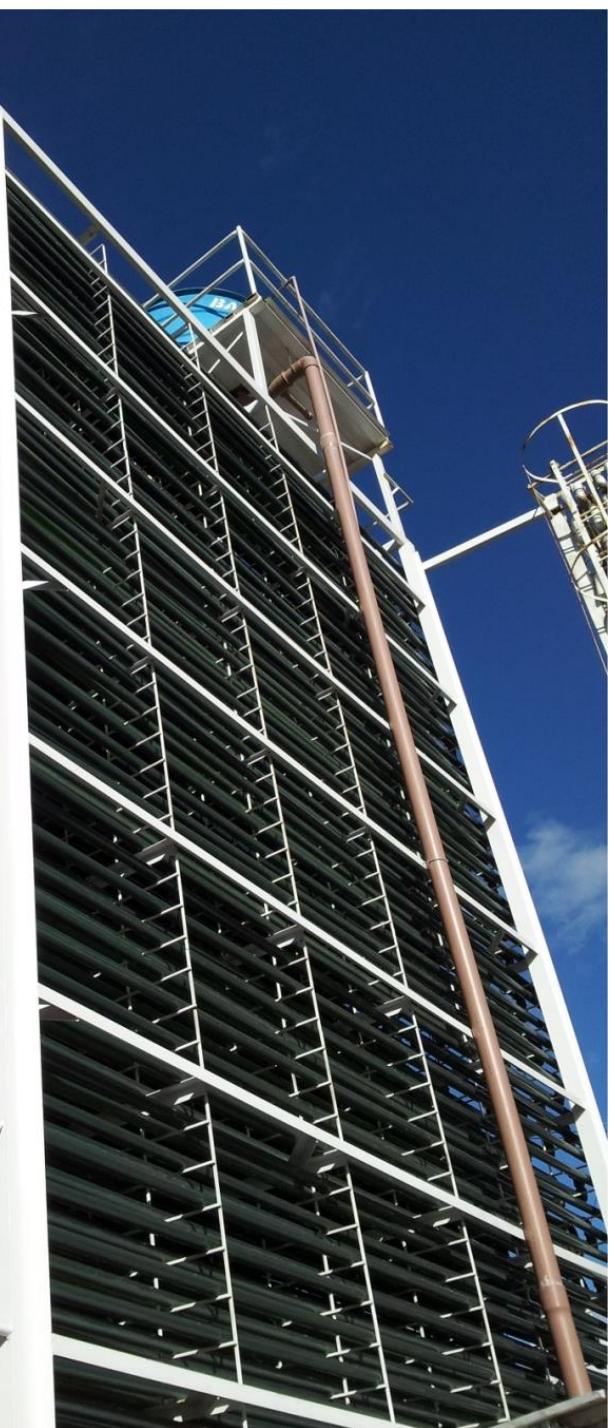
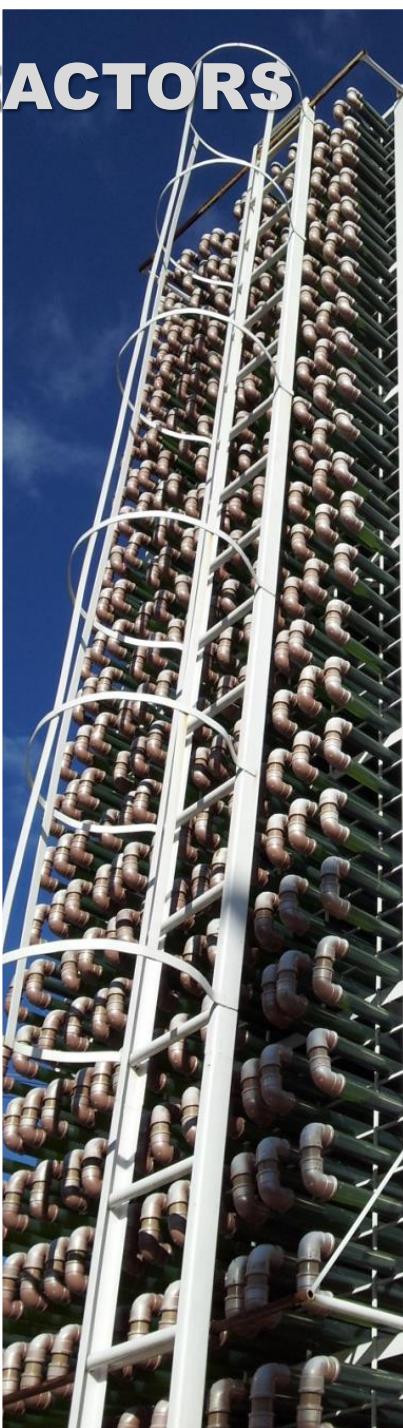
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# POSSIBLE INTERACTIONS

## Liquid biofuels and biorefineries

1. Development and/or optimization of pretreatment methods for biomass fractionation
2. Characterization of hydrolysis and fermentation inhibitors that are formed during pretreatment of lignocellulosic materials
3. Optimization of enzymatic hydrolysis at high total solids using different pretreated materials and advanced enzyme systems
4. Conversion of simple and complex carbohydrates to organic acids, fuel additives and furan compounds
5. Production of liquid biofuels from microalgae biomass using green solvents, reactive distillation and heterogeneous catalysis
6. Pyrolysis of lignin-containing residues for the production of biochar, bio-oil and other value-added chemicals

# TUBULAR PHOTOBIOREACTORS



ENERGIA  
AUTO-SUSTENTÁVEL  
NÚCLEO DE PESQUISA E DESENVOLVIMENTO

# **BIODIESEL PRODUCTION UNIT**



# SFE



# STEAM EXPLOSION



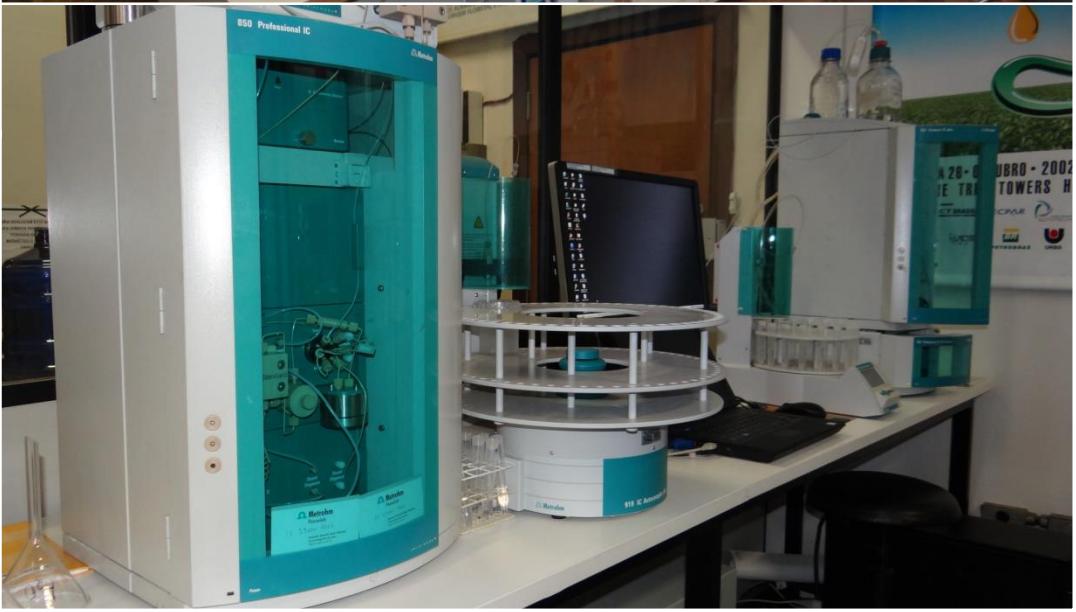
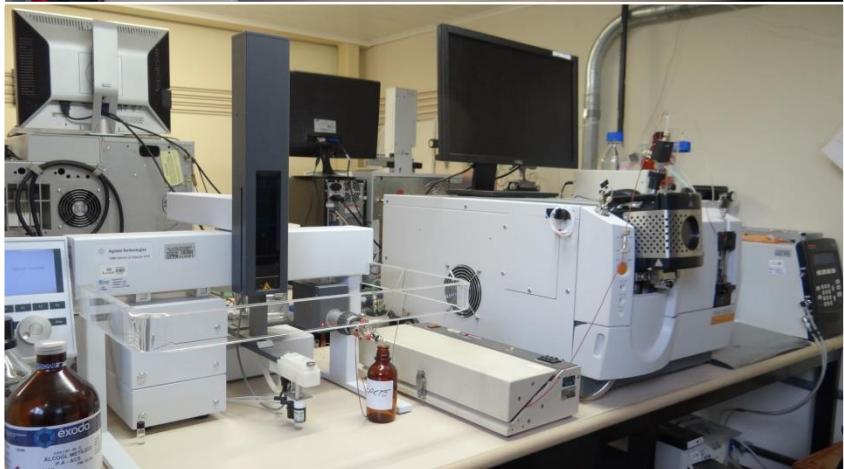
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# HYDROLYSIS AND FERMENTATION



# ANALYTICAL



A wide-angle photograph of a grand, multi-story building at night. The building's facade is made of light-colored stone and features numerous arched windows and columns. It is brightly lit from within, with light streaming through the windows and along the edges of the building. The sky is dark, providing a strong contrast to the illuminated structure.

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Thank you for your attention!  
Muito obrigado!