

*Pichia pastoris* a cell factory to  
produce recombinant lipases for  
enzymatic biodiesel production.  
*Closing the circle.*

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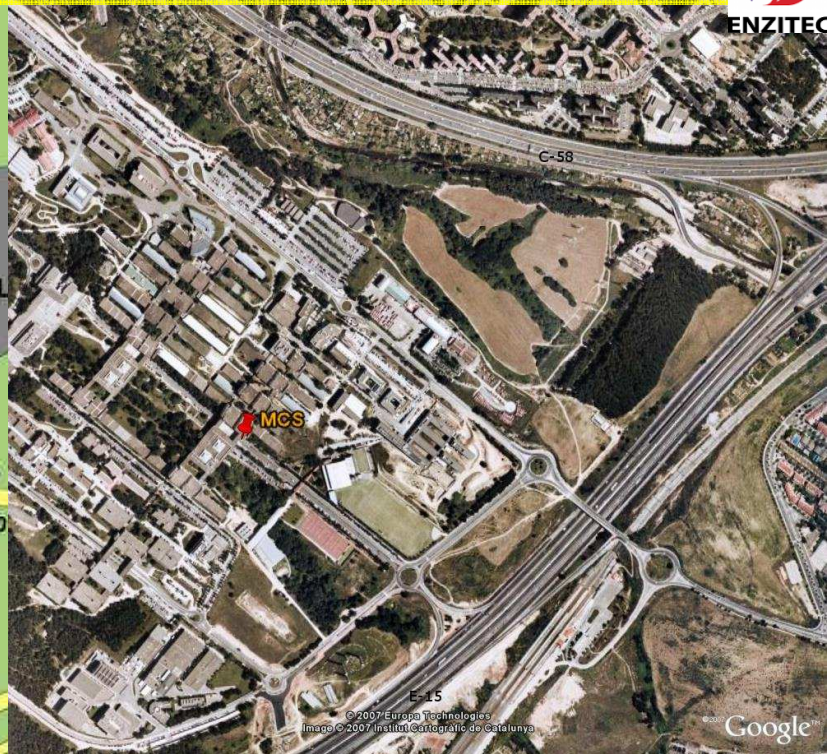
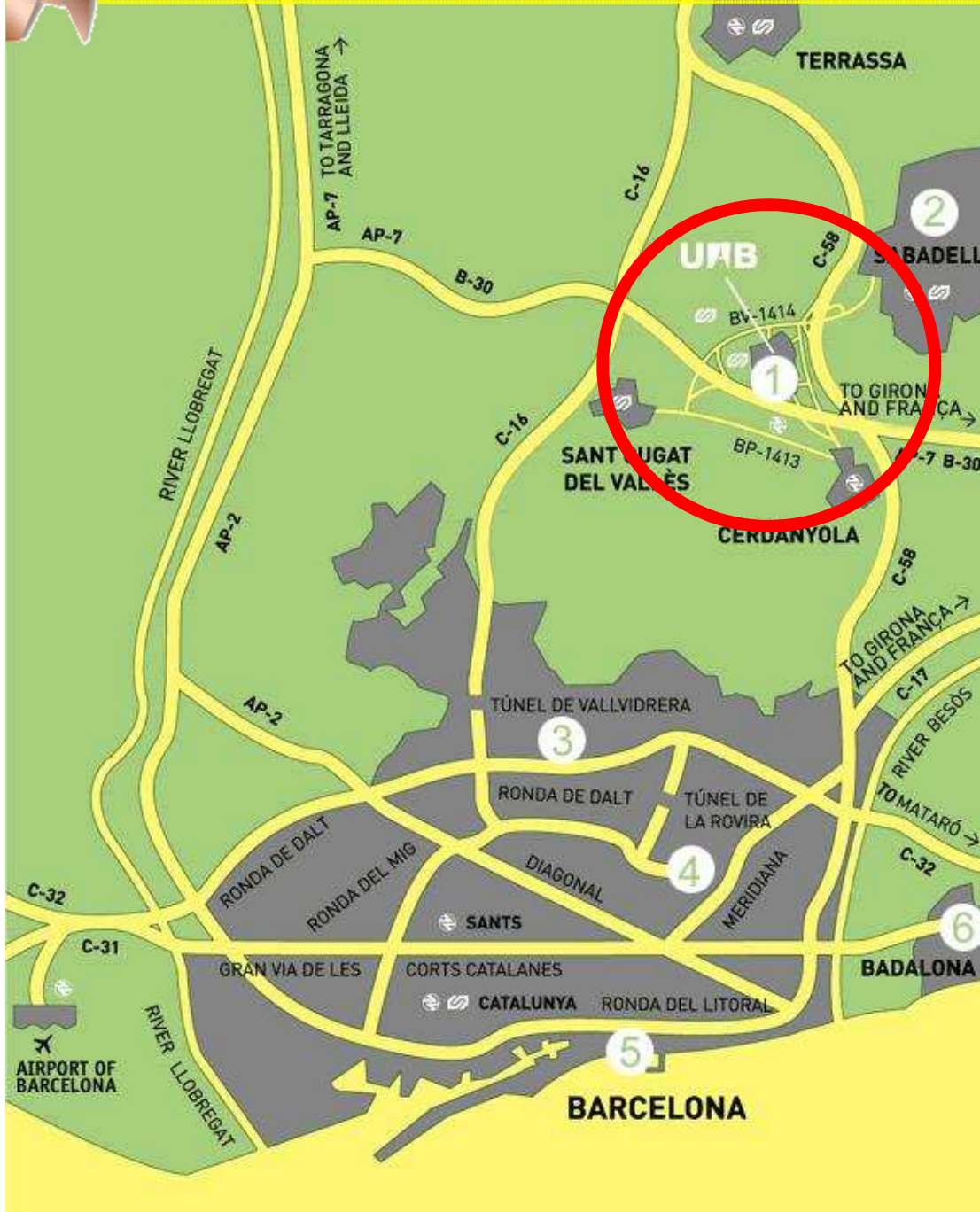
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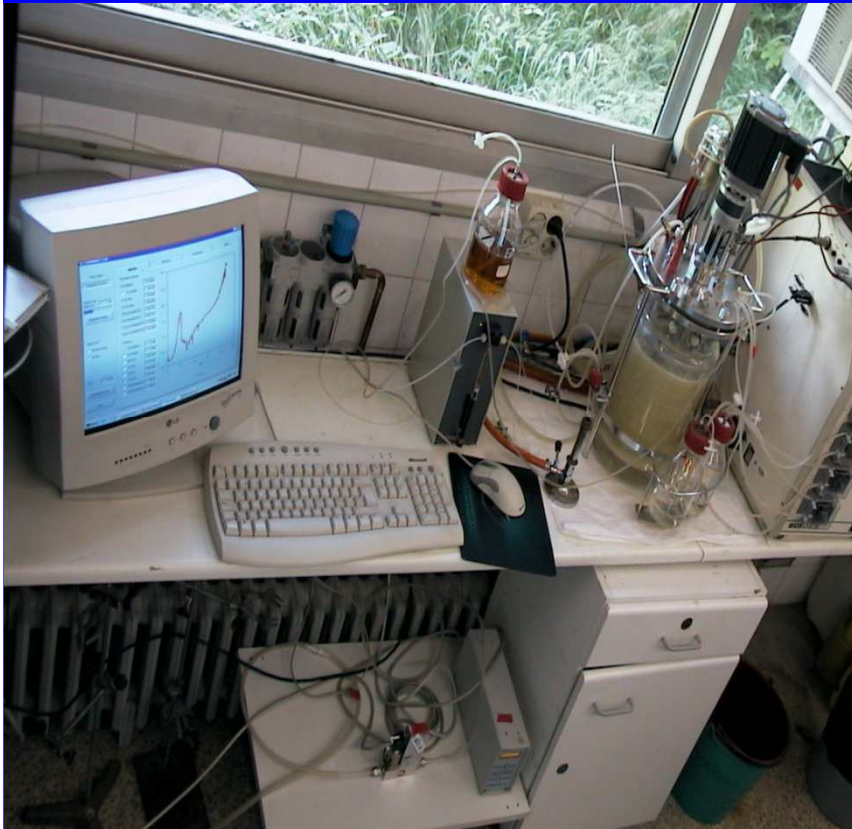
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## Pichia's group: **BIOCHEMICAL ENGINEERING AND APPLIED BIOCATALYSIS GROUP (UAB)**

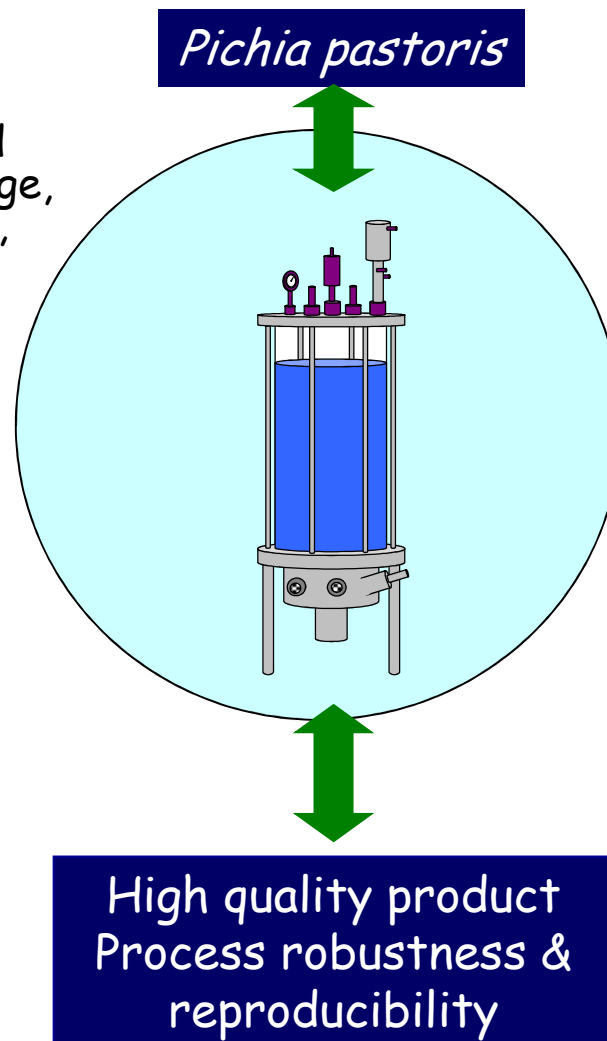
### Development of recombinant protein production processes in *P. pastoris* using integrated strategies of:

**Genetic engineering:** Combined use of genetic tools (codon usage, gene dosage, promoter, strains, etc)

⇒ *integration with cultivation process development*

**Quantitative physiology:** analysis of physiological bottlenecks -metabolic flux analyses, transcriptomics, proteomics. Systems biology.

⇒ *knowledge base for rational selection of cultivation conditions and metabolic engineering*



**Monitoring, modelling and control** of high cell density cultivation processes (software and hardware tools):

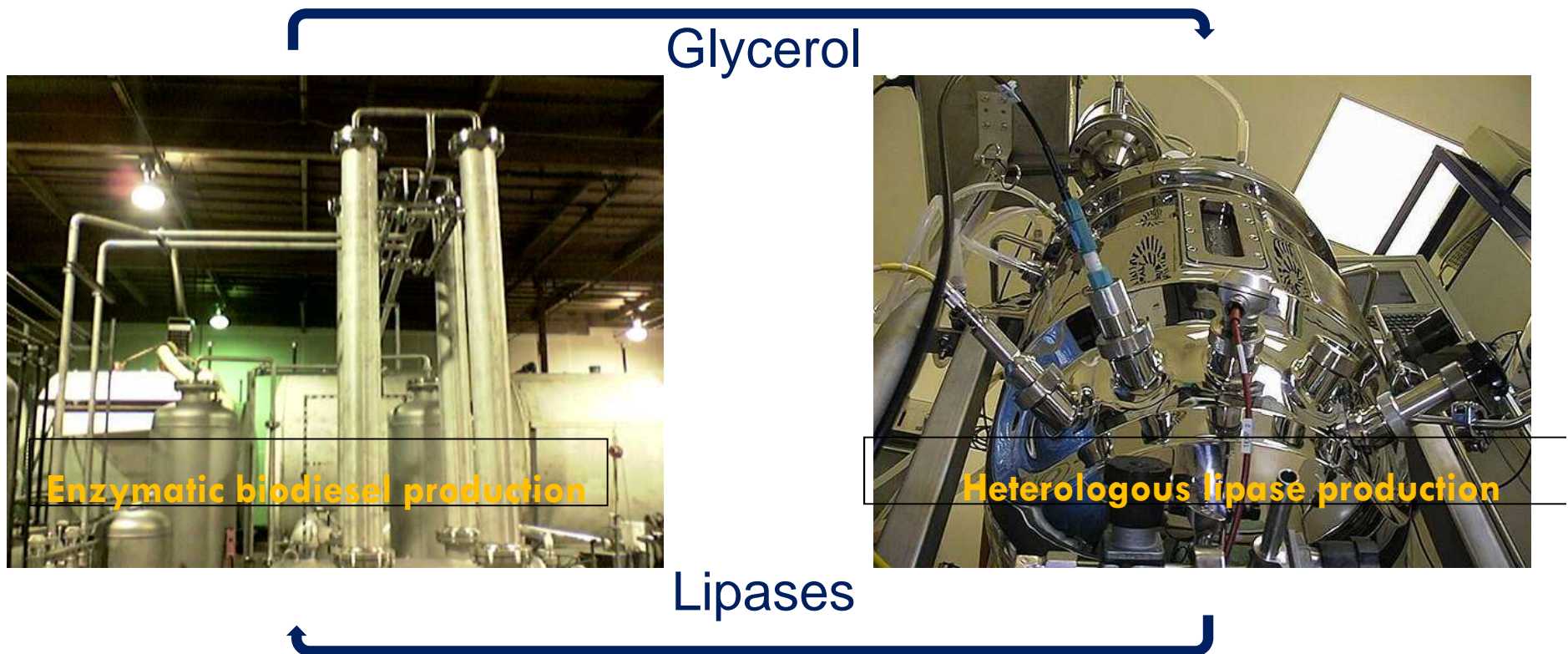
⇒ *improved process performance and reproducibility, etc.*

**Downstream processing**

**Scale-up**

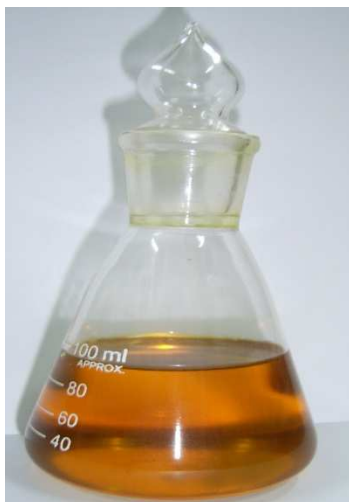
**Applied Biocatalysis:**

- Use of crude glycerol with methanol obtained from biodiesel industry to growth *Pichia pastoris* producing recombinant lipases from yeast



Proof of concept

**USE OF CRUDE GLYCEROL AS CARBON SOURCE FOR  
*Pichia pastoris* GROWTH. APPLICATION TO  
RECOMBINANT LIPASES PRODUCTION**



### GLYCEROL A

Soybean oil  
Gly 61.2%  
MeOH 0.3%  
Bionet Europa



### GLYCEROL C

Commercial  
99.6%  
Panreac



### GLYCEROL D

Crude  
Animal fats  
Gly 52.3%  
MeOH 0.1%  
Stocks del Vallés  
S.A



### GLYCEROL B

Crude  
Soybean oil  
Gly 21.9%  
MeOH 0.2%  
Bionet Europa

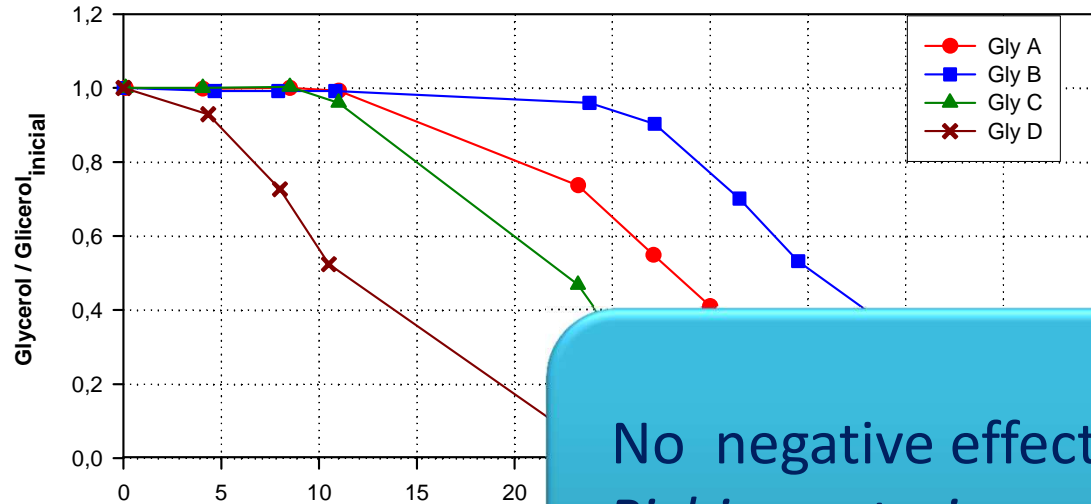


### GLYCEROL E

Loira  
Soybean oil  
Gly 84%  
MeOH < 1000 ppm  
NaCl 7 g/L  
UFRJ



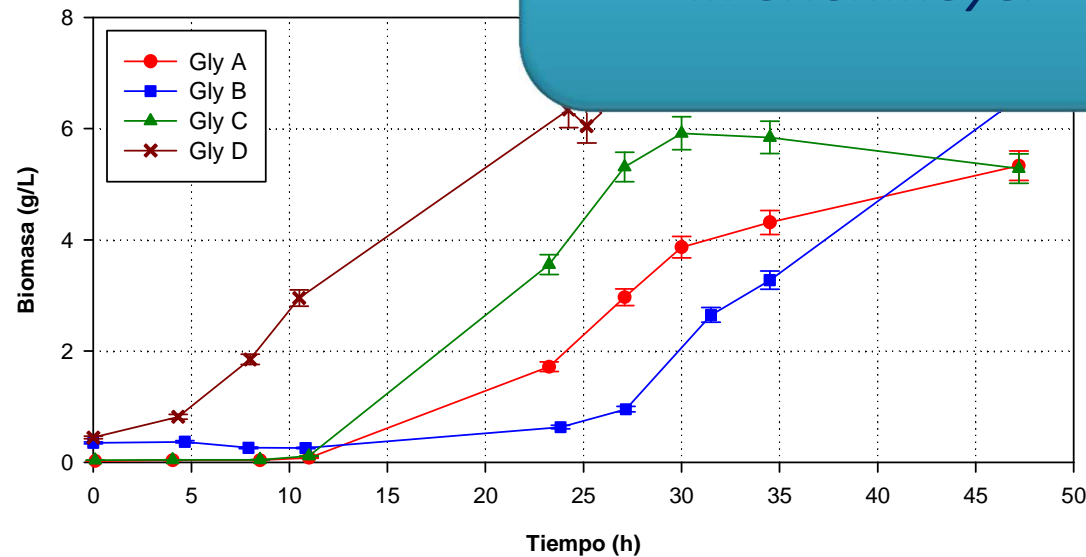
## "Spanish" crude glycerol



$$Y_{x/s} G_C = 0.45 \text{ g/g}$$

$$Y_{x/s} G_{A,B,D} \approx 0.5 \text{ g/g}$$

No negative effect on *Pichia pastoris* growth in erlenmeyer



$$\mu_C = 0.18 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_{G A,B,D} = 0.17 - 0.21 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

## RECOMBINANT EXPRESSION OF rLipB IN *Pichia pastoris*

### LIPASE from *Candida antarctica* B rLipB:

The most used lipase in applied biocatalysis. Industrial lipase supplied from Novo Nordisk

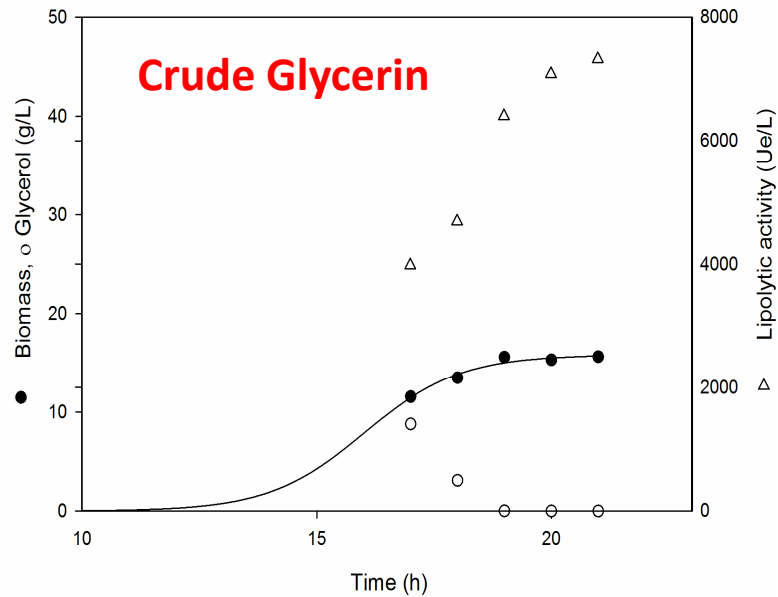
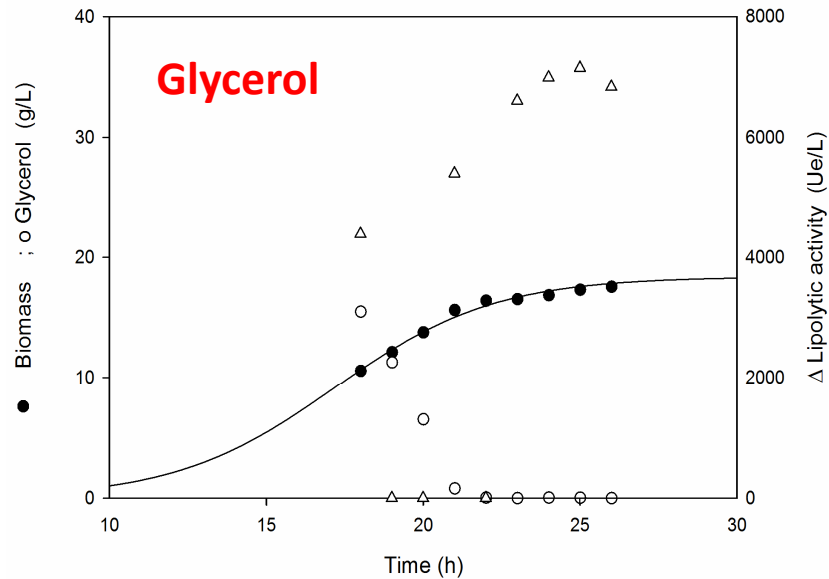
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### CALB CHARACTERISTICS:

33 kDa, pI  $\geq 6$

3 disulphide bond formation



Instituto de Química UFRJ  
 Batch fermentation producing rLipB  
 PGK constitutive promoter

	Crude glycerin	Glycerol
$\gamma_{x/s}$ (g/g)	0.46	0.46
$\gamma_{p/x}$ (U/g)	423,1	410.9
$\gamma_{p/s}$ (U/g)	192,6	189.4
$Q_p$ (U/g.h)	20.15	20.55
rLipB Activity (U/L)	6350	7108.6

**No significant differences  
 were observed**

## RECOMBINANT EXPRESSION OF ROL IN *Pichia pastoris*

### LIPASE from *Rhizopus oryzae* (ROL):

*Rhizopus oryzae* (*R. arrhizus*): filamentous fungi of high interest in Biotechnology and basic research.

Lipase for application in organic synthesis to obtain enantiomeric pure compounds, structured lipids, biodiesel...



### ROL CHARACTERISTICS:

30 kDa, pI  $\geq$  9.3

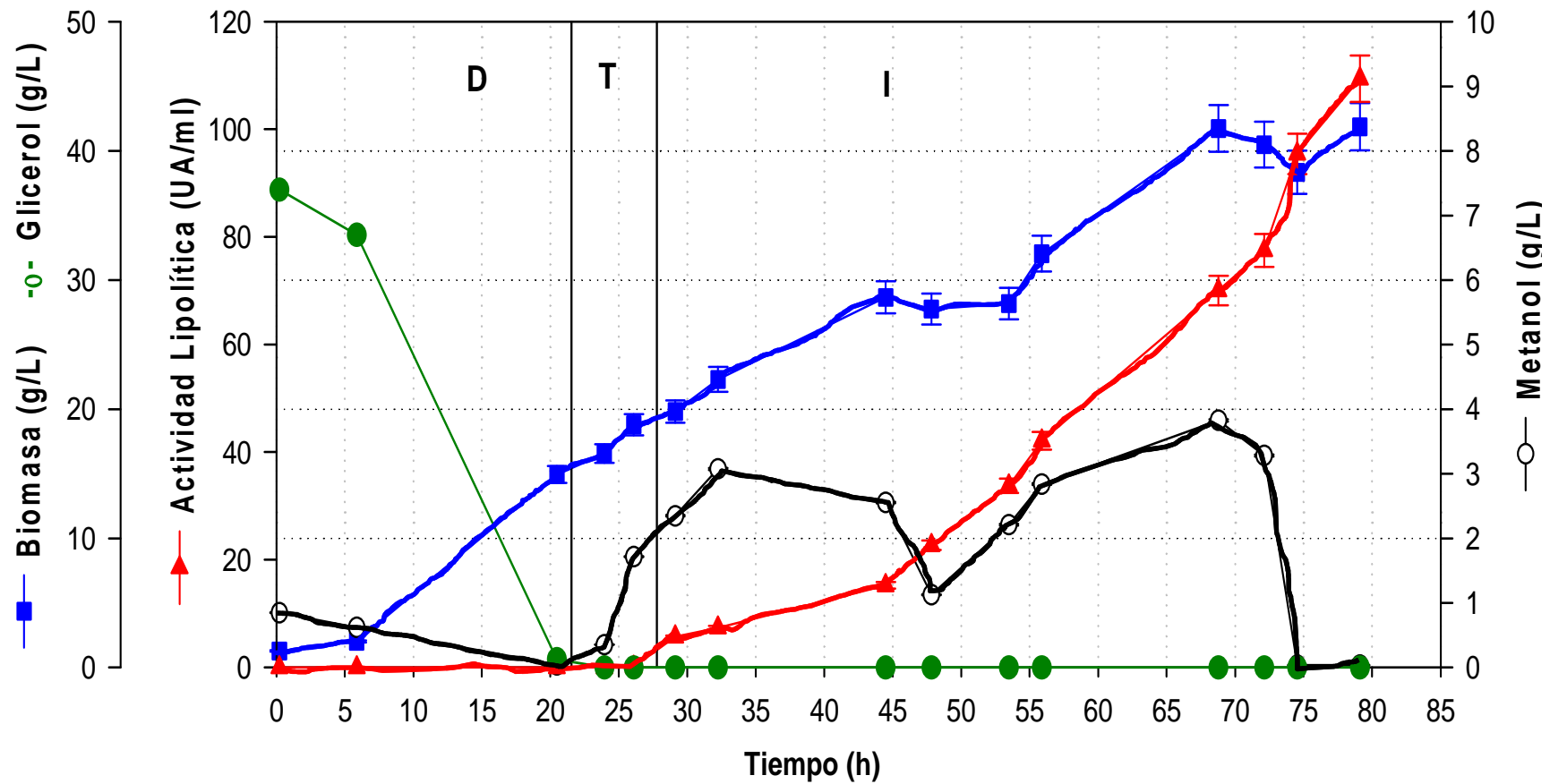
4 potential sites of **N-glycosylation**. 3 disulphide bond formation

Unfolding Protein response (UPR)

## Fed batch strategy producing rROL under inducible AOX1 promoter

Act= 108 U/mL

$\mu_{med} = 0.024 \text{ h}^{-1}$



## Fed batch strategy producing rROL

	Crude glycerol Methanol 2 g/L	Cos et al., 2005 Manual methanol control	Barrigón et al., 2013 Methanol 2 g/L
Actividad Máx. (U/mL)	108	150	103
$Y_{P/X}$ (U/g)	2567	2470	2004
Productividad (U/L·h)	1452	3000	2437
$\mu_{media}$ ( $h^{-1}$ )	0.024	0.036	0.043
qs media (g/g·h)	0.11	0.14	0.19
qp media (U/g·h)	72	130	106



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# BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING OF rROL PRODUCTION

## ADVANTAGES of *Pichia pastoris* expression system

Eukaryotic: post-translational modifications

Secretion. easy downstream

High cell cultures ( $> 100 \text{ g l}^{-1}$ )

Non fermentative

Easy genetic manipulation

**$P_{AOX1}$ : STRONG AND REGULABLE**



*S. cerevisiae*    *P. pastoris*

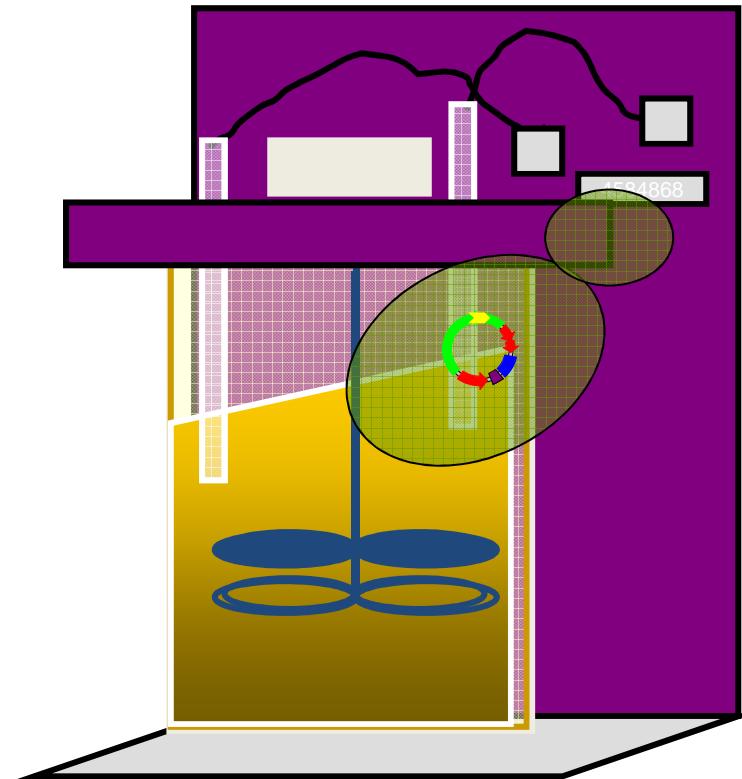
1  $OD_{600}$

130 g dcw  $L^{-1}$   
~500  $OD_{600}$



## ➔ Influent factors on expression

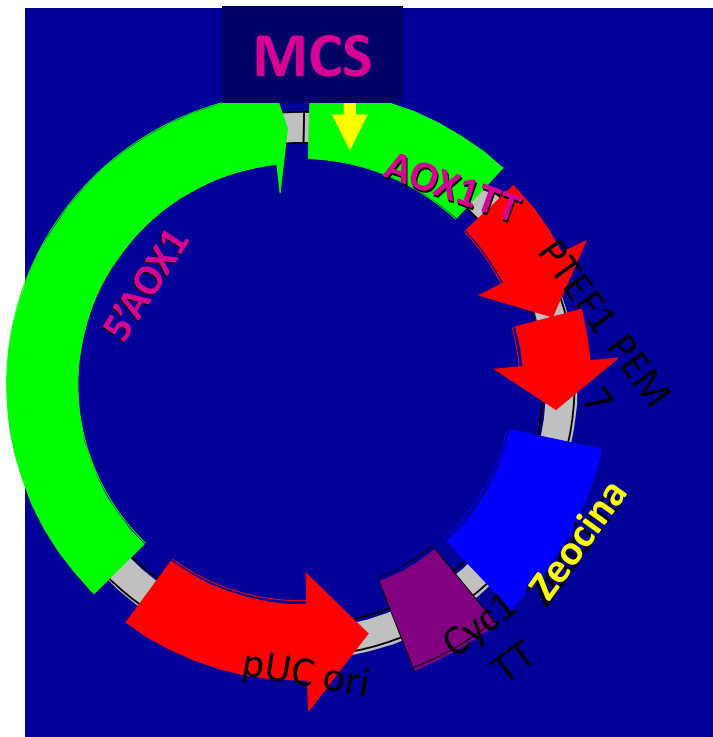
- Intrinsic characteristics of gen/protein.
- Phenotype Mut<sup>s</sup>/Mut<sup>+</sup>.
- Alternative promoters: GAP, PGK, FLD.
- Co-expression of other genes. Defective strains.
- Operational strategies.



## Pichia pastoris: EXPRESSION SYSTEM

### EXPRESSION SYSTEM based on PAOX1

#### 2 GENES FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF AOX



**AOX1** 90%

**AOX2** 10%



PAOX1 Gen AOX1

Functional AOX1 and AOX2 → 100% AOX

**Mut<sup>+</sup>** (Methanol utilisation plus)

~~PAOX1 Gen AOX1~~

Only functional AOX2 → 10% AOX

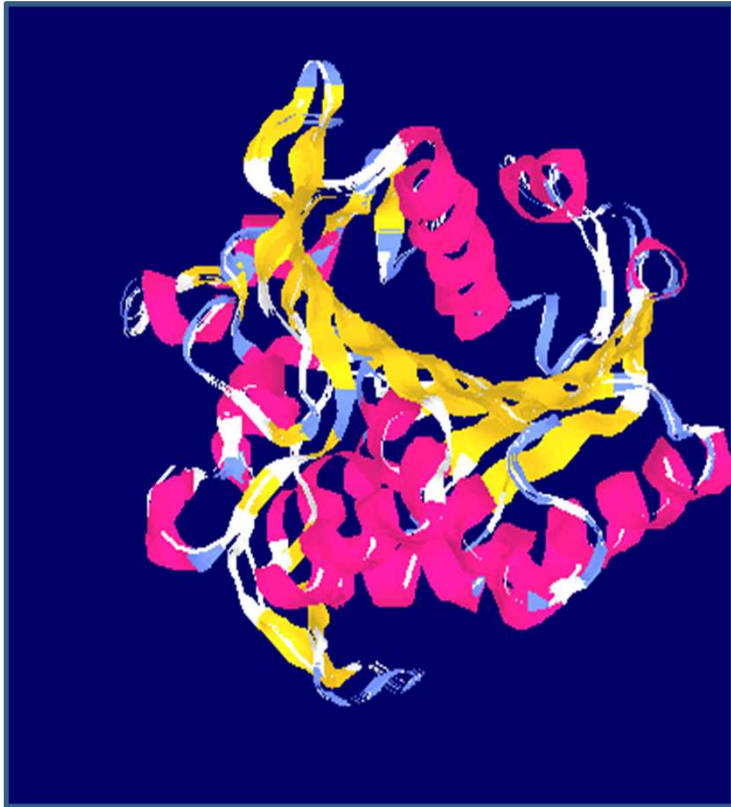
**Mut<sup>S</sup>** (Methanol utilisation slow)

## INFLUENCE OF ROL ON *Pichia pastoris* SPECIFIC GROWTH RATE

	$\mu_{\max}$ (h <sup>-1</sup> ) on Methanol	
	Mut <sup>+</sup>	Mut <sup>s</sup>
WILD STRAIN	0.15	0.05
ROL STRAIN	0.06	0.01

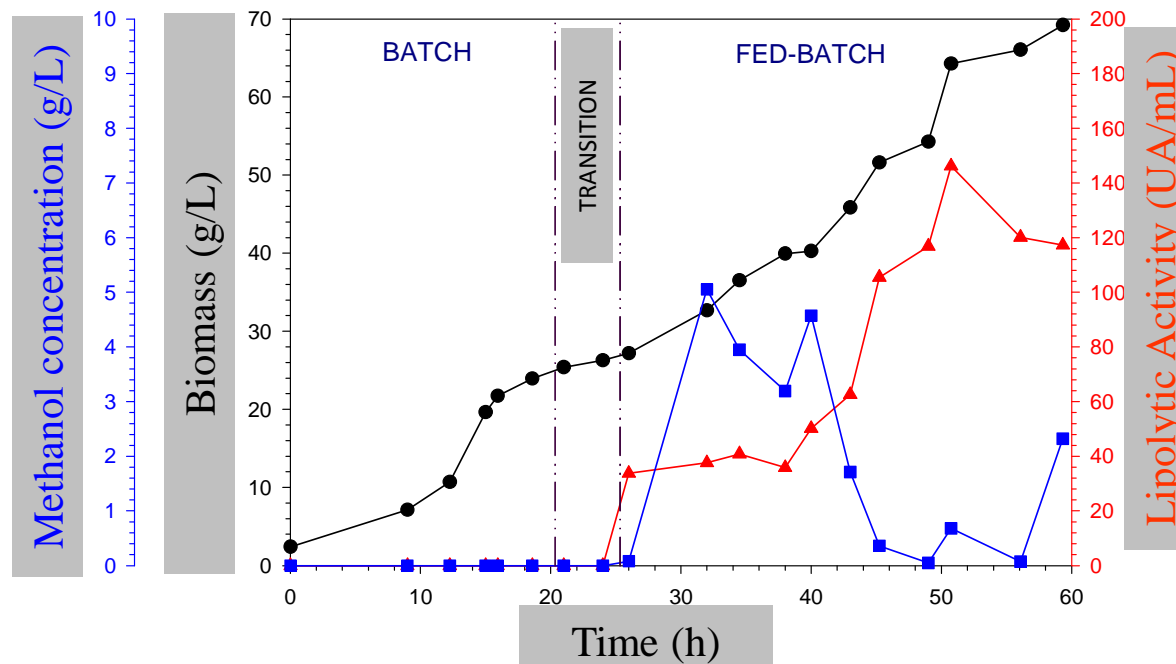
**Important effect of heterologous production  
on *Pichia* growth**

## BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING OF RECOMBINANT EXPRESSION OF rROL IN *Pichia pastoris*

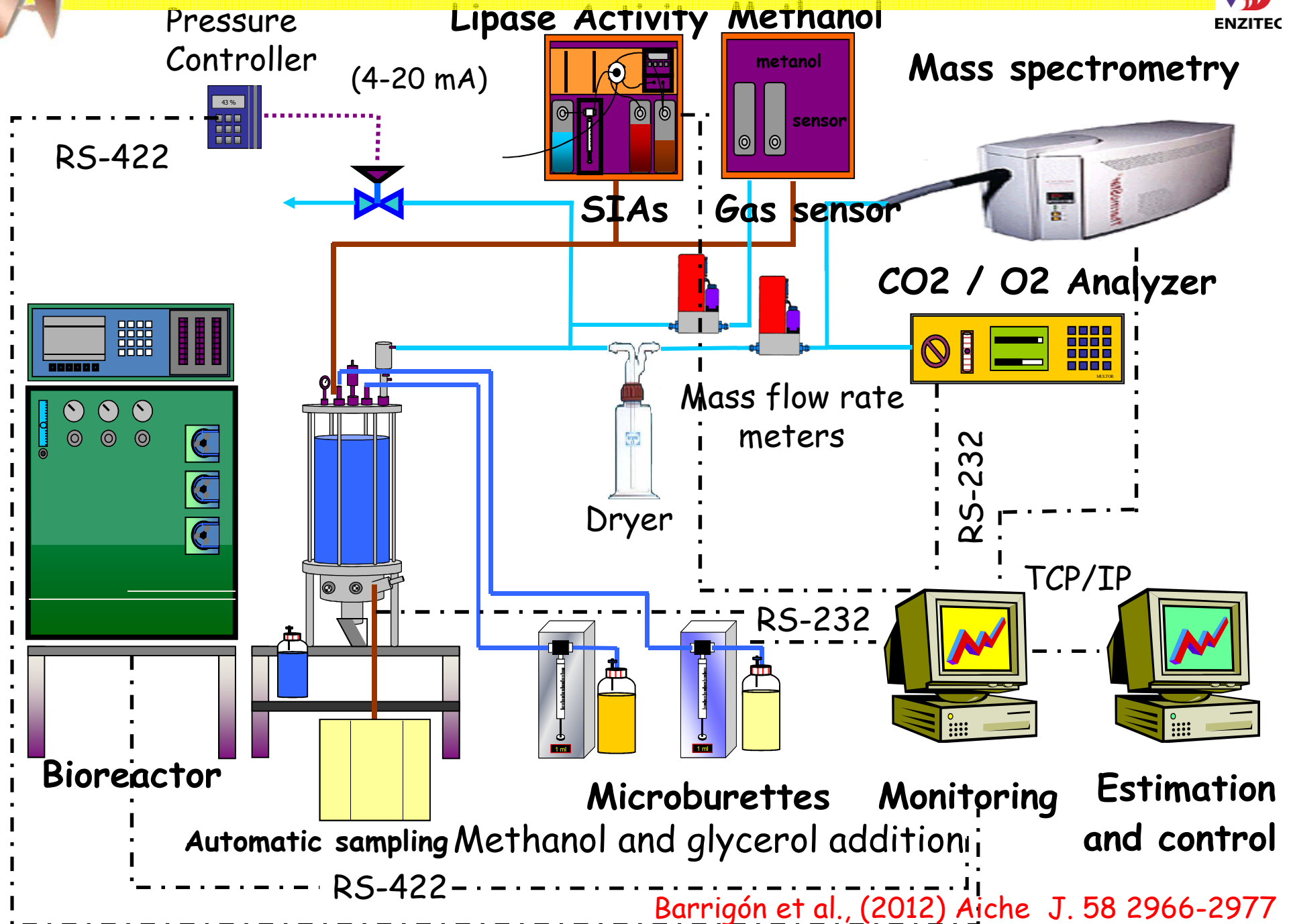


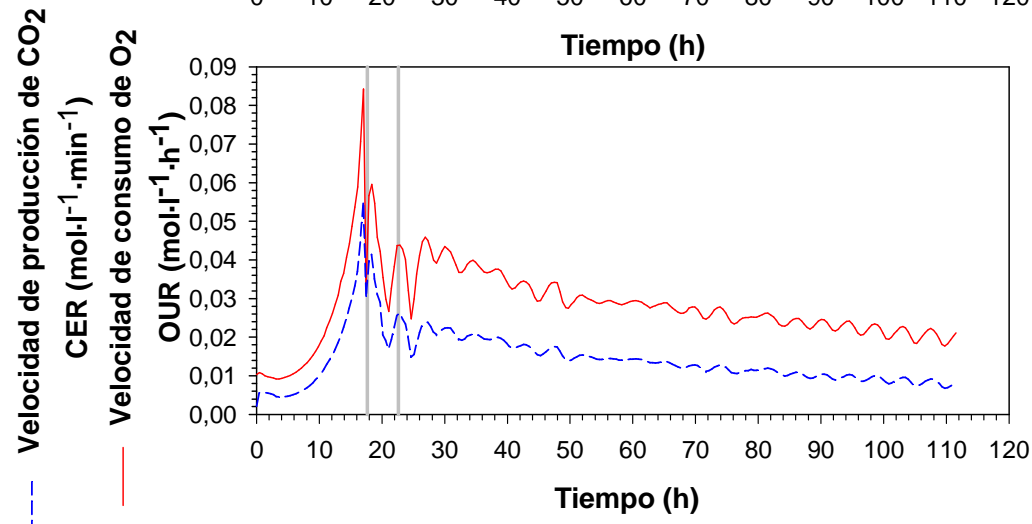
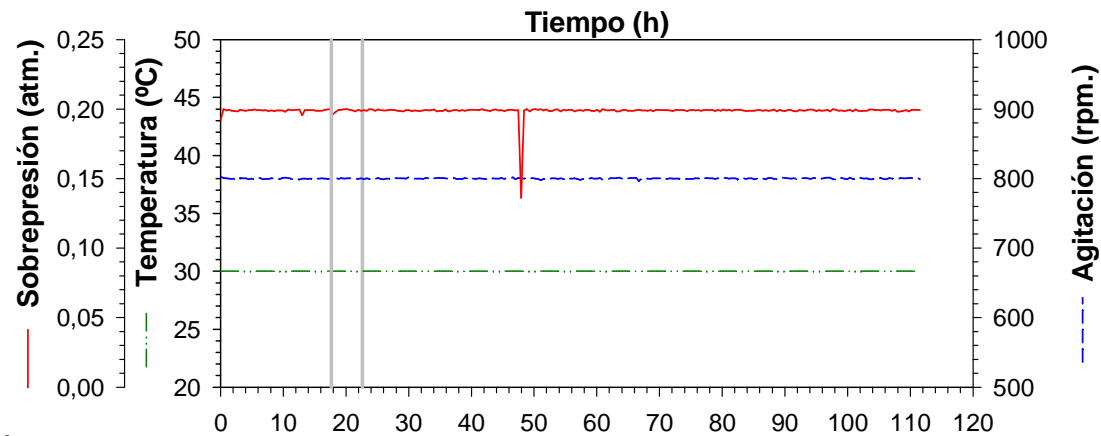
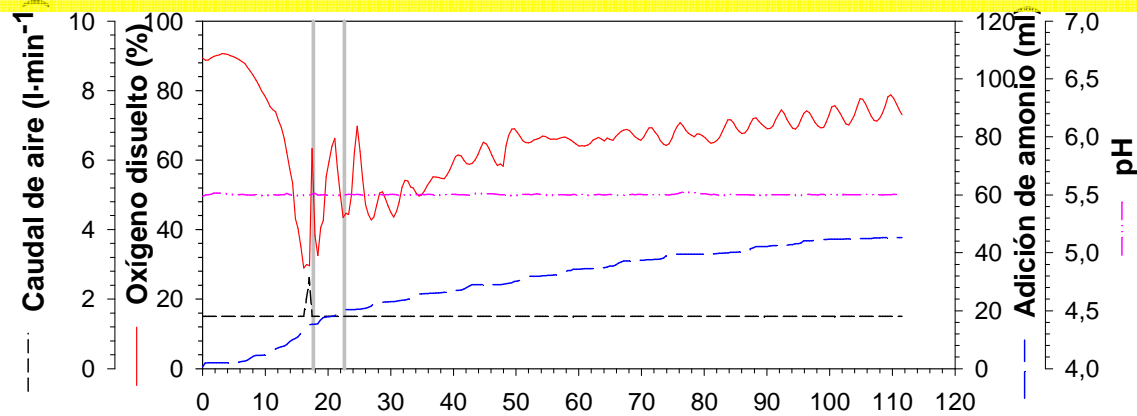
- **Mut<sup>+</sup> methanol as sole carbon source.**
- **Mut<sup>s</sup> mixed substrates (sorbitol, glycerol).**
- **Fed-batch and continuous cultures.**
- **Different operational strategies. Methanol limited and non-limited, temperature limited cultures. Monitoring and control.**
- **FLD and *GAP* Promoter.**
- **Effect of co-expression of *HAC1* gene to minimize UPR phenomena.**
- **Knockout of the *P. pastoris* *GAS1* gene to increase cell porosity.**

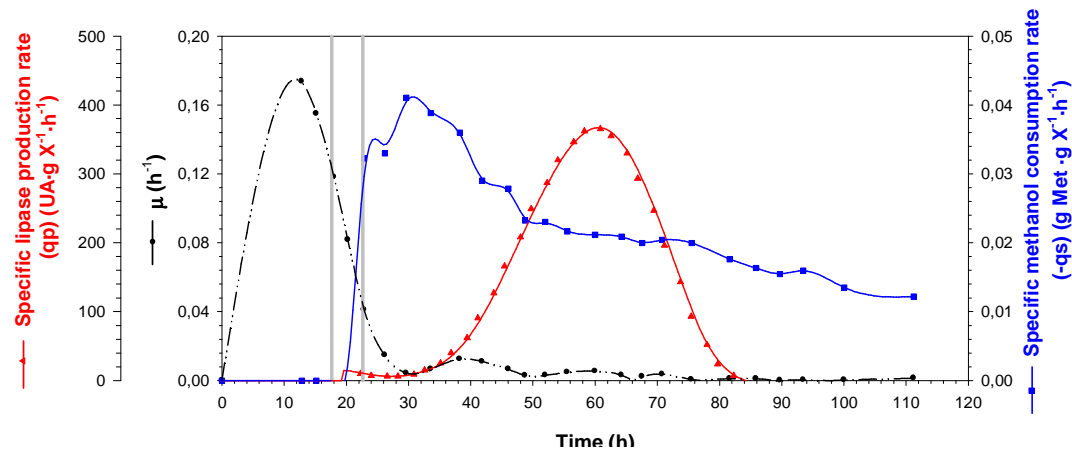
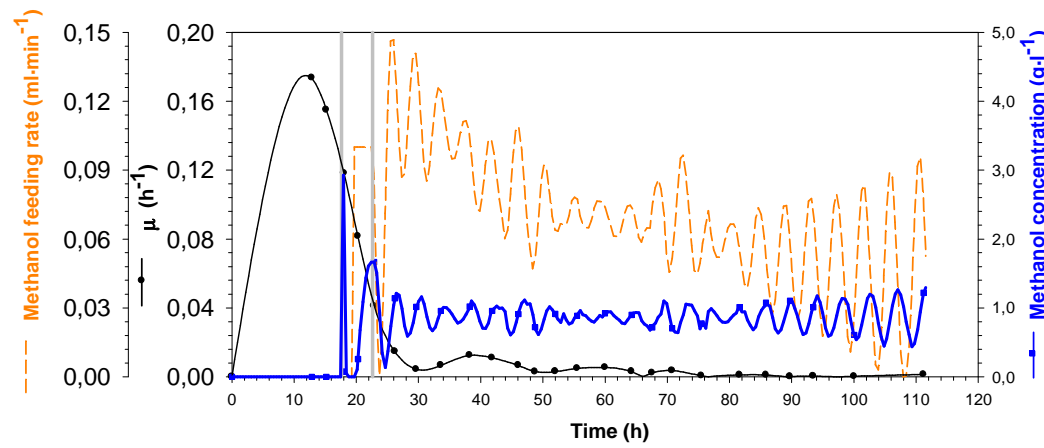
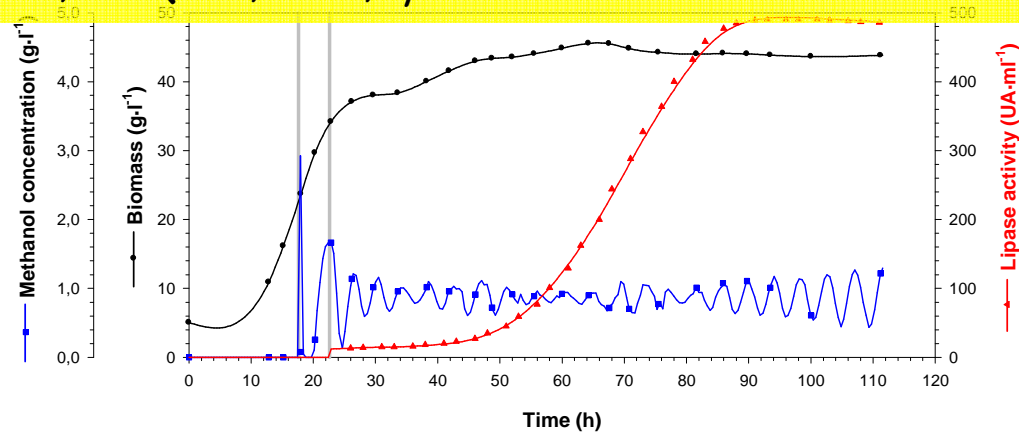
## Pichia fermentation



- Non-controlled methanol addition or coupled to  $pO_2$  measurement.
- Methanol feeding rate coupled to temperature.
- Methanol constant feeding rate.
- **Methanol open-loop control. Pre-programmed exponential feeding rate.**
- Methanol predictive control of oxygen or OTR.
- **Methanol predictive control. Constant methanol concentration.**











*Mut<sup>+</sup> phenotype*

## Macrokinetic model of *Pichia pastoris* *Mut<sup>+</sup>* phenotype. Experimental

Pre-programmed exponential feeding rate for methanol limited fed-batch cultures (MLFB).

$$\mu = 0.015 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$\mu = 0.020 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

$$\mu = 0.045 \text{ h}^{-1}$$

Constant residual methanol control for methanol non limited cultures (MNLFB).

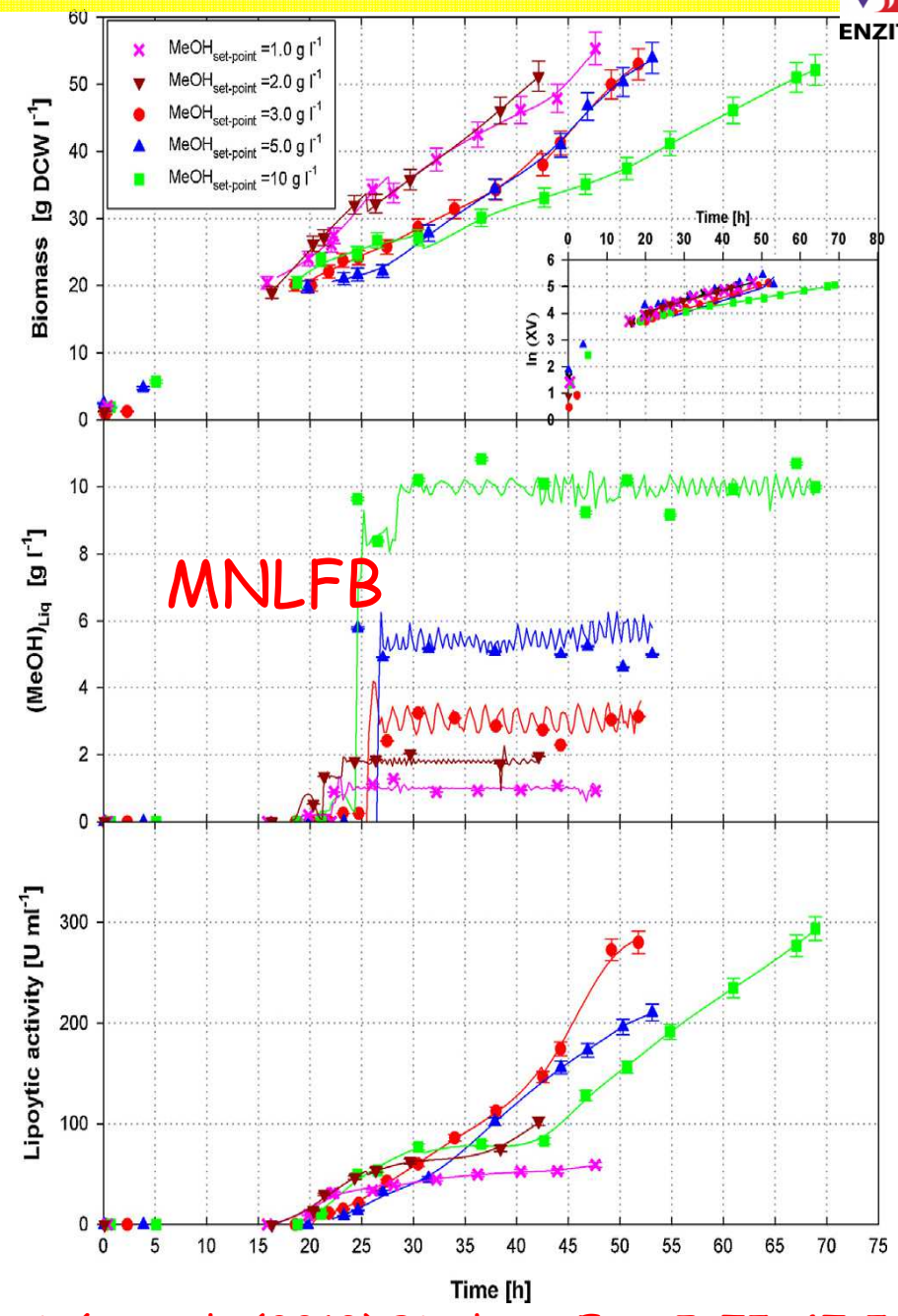
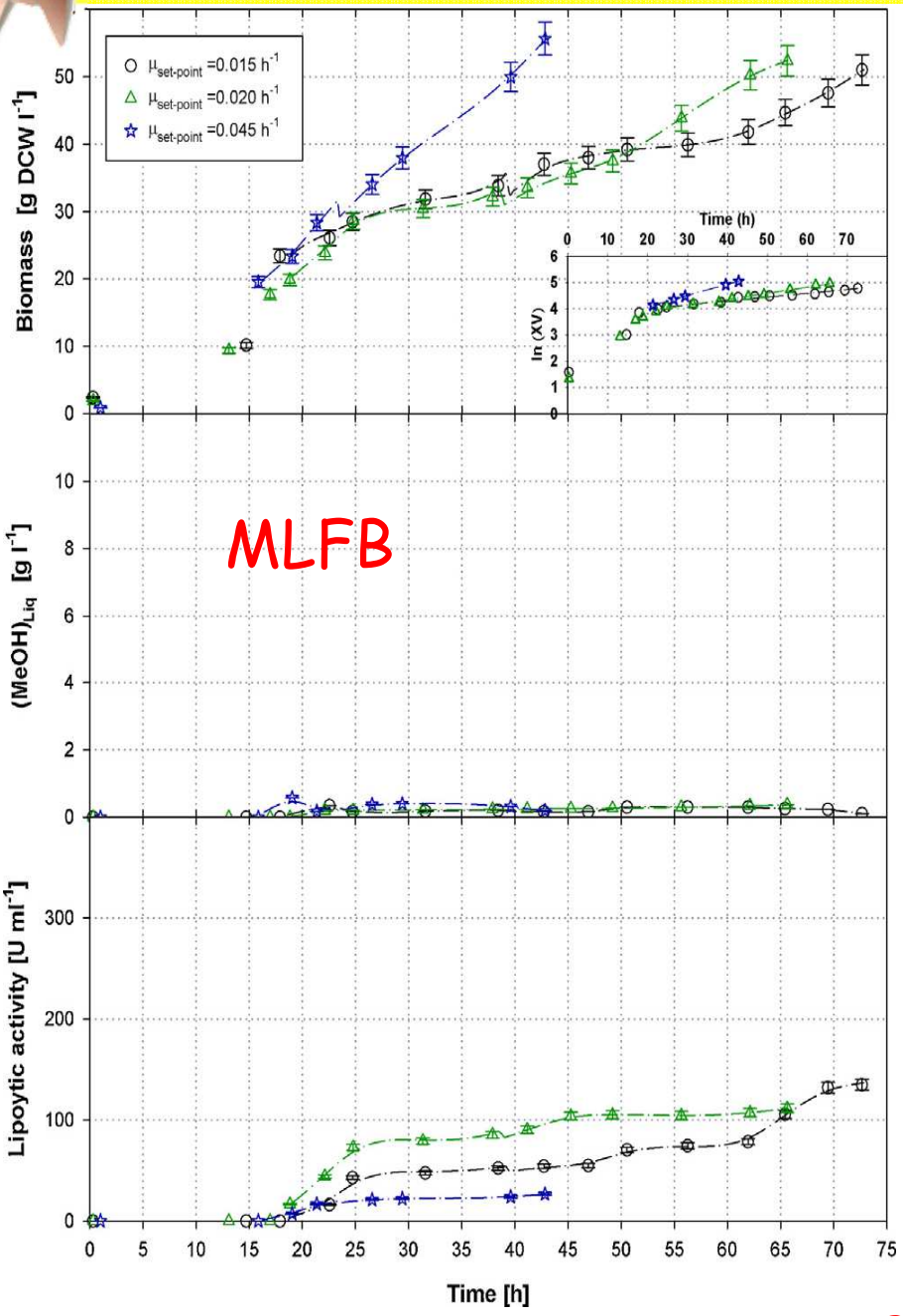
$$[\text{MeOH}] = 1 \text{ g L}^{-1}$$

$$[\text{MeOH}] = 2 \text{ g L}^{-1}$$

$$[\text{MeOH}] = 3 \text{ g L}^{-1}$$

$$[\text{MeOH}] = 5 \text{ g L}^{-1}$$

$$[\text{MeOH}] = 10 \text{ g L}^{-1}$$



## Kinetic models of *Pichia pastoris* Mut<sup>+</sup> phenotype. Growth, consumption and production kinetics

Monotonically increasing function. Monod model.

$$q_i = \frac{q_{max,i} S}{K_{s,i} + S}$$

$q_i$  = i-specific rate.

$q_{max,i}$  = maximal value of i-specific rate.

$K_{s,i}$  = saturation constant.

Non-Monotonically increasing function. Haldane model.  
Substrate (methanol) inhibition.

$$q_i = \frac{q_{max,i} S}{K_{s,i} + S + \frac{S^2}{K_{I,i}}}$$

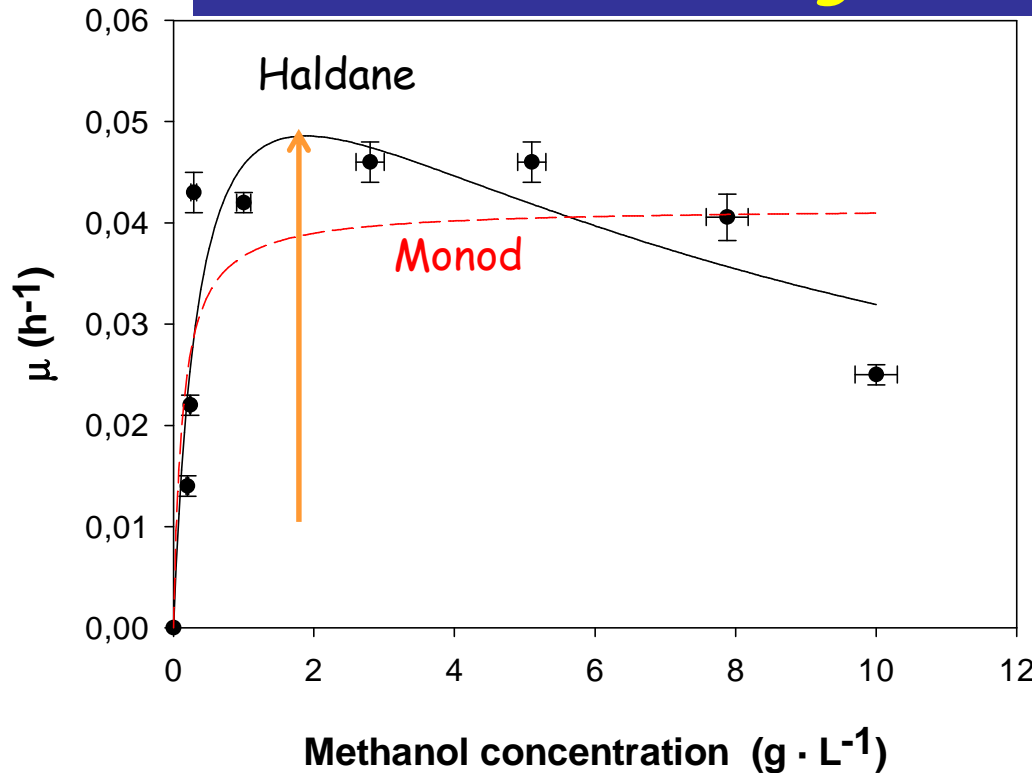
$q_i$  = i-Specific rate.

$q_{max,i}$  = Maximal value of i-specific rate.

$K_{s,i}$  = Saturation constant.

$K_{I,i}$  = Inhibition constant

## Kinetic models of *Pichia pastoris* Mut<sup>+</sup> phenotype. Cell growth kinetics



**Haldane**  
80% confidence level

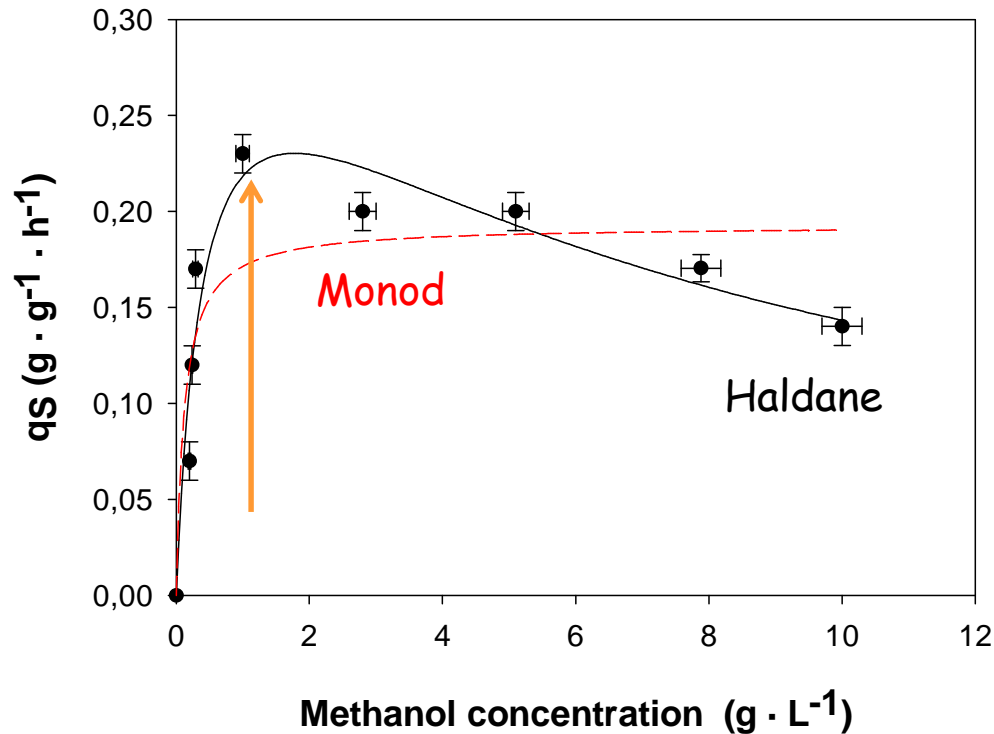
$S_{crit}$  = maximal specific rate  
1.9 g L<sup>-1</sup>

Monod up to 2 g L<sup>-1</sup>

S-non monotonically increasing function. Haldane

	Parameter	Units	Value	CV%	Statistics
$q_X$ ( $\mu$ ) h <sup>-1</sup>	$\mu_{max}$	h <sup>-1</sup>	0.069	33	$R^2 = 0.81$ $p = 0.006$
	$K_{S,X}$	g L <sup>-1</sup>	0.40	69.1	
	$K_{I,X}$	g L <sup>-1</sup>	8.85	84.6	
	$S_{crit,X}$	g L <sup>-1</sup>	1.9	---	

## Kinetic models of *Pichia pastoris* Mut<sup>+</sup> phenotype. Substrate consumption kinetics



Similar behaviour than growth kinetics, better statistics

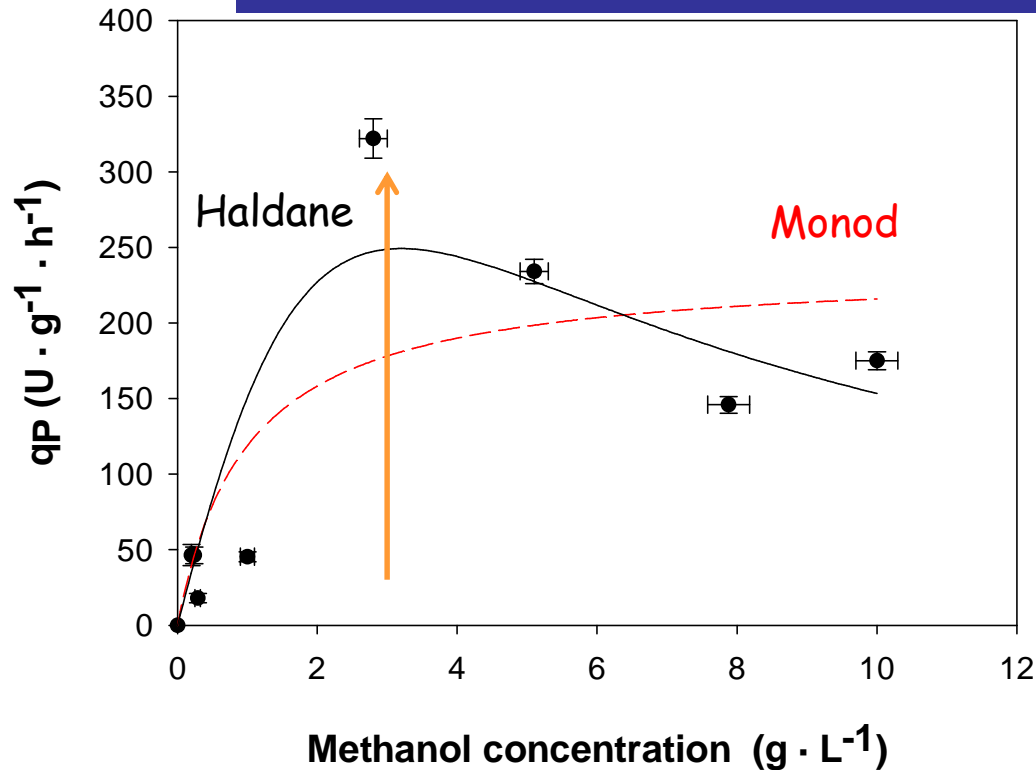
Haldane  
76% confidence level

Scrit = maximal specific rate  
1.7 g L<sup>-1</sup>

S-non monotonically increasing function. Haldane

	Parameter	Units	Value	CV%	Statistics
$q_s \text{ g g}^{-1} \text{ L}^{-1}$	$q_{\max,S}$	$\text{g g}^{-1} \text{ L}^{-1}$	0.34	21,6	$R^2 = 0.76$ $p = 0.003$
	$K_{S,S}$	$\text{g L}^{-1}$	0.42	43.3	
	$K_{I,S}$	$\text{g L}^{-1}$	7.57	60.4	
	$S_{\text{crit},S}$	$\text{g L}^{-1}$	1.7	---	

## Kinetic models of *Pichia pastoris* Mut<sup>+</sup> phenotype. Product formation kinetics



Similar behaviour but with the worst adjustment.

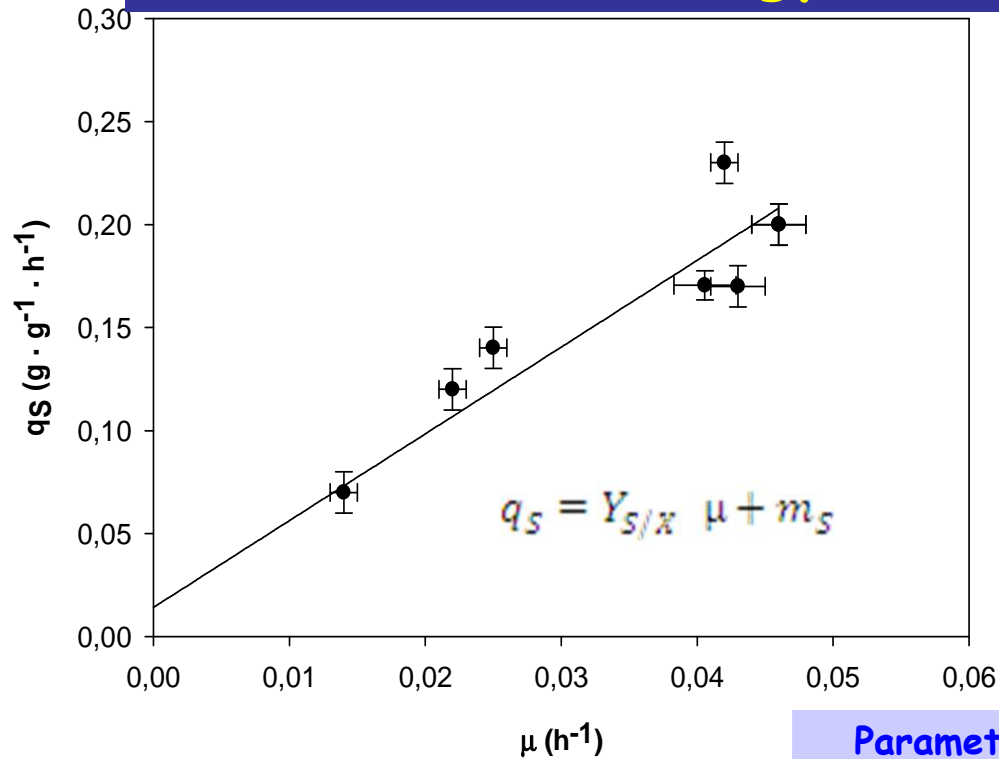
Haldane  
64% confidence level

Scrit = maximal specific rate  
3.2 g L<sup>-1</sup> higher than growth  
and substrate.

S-non monotonically increasing function. Haldane

	Parameter	Units	Value	CV%	Statistics
$q_p \text{ U g}^{-1} \text{ L}^{-1}$	$q_{\max,P}$	$\text{U g}^{-1} \text{ L}^{-1}$	1844	>100	$R^2 = 0.64$
	$K_{S,P}$	$\text{g L}^{-1}$	10.2	>100	
	$K_{I,P}$	$\text{g L}^{-1}$	1.0	>100	
	$S_{\text{crit},P}$	$\text{g L}^{-1}$	3.2	---	$p = 0.010$

## Specific substrate uptake model. Maintenance-energy Pirt's model

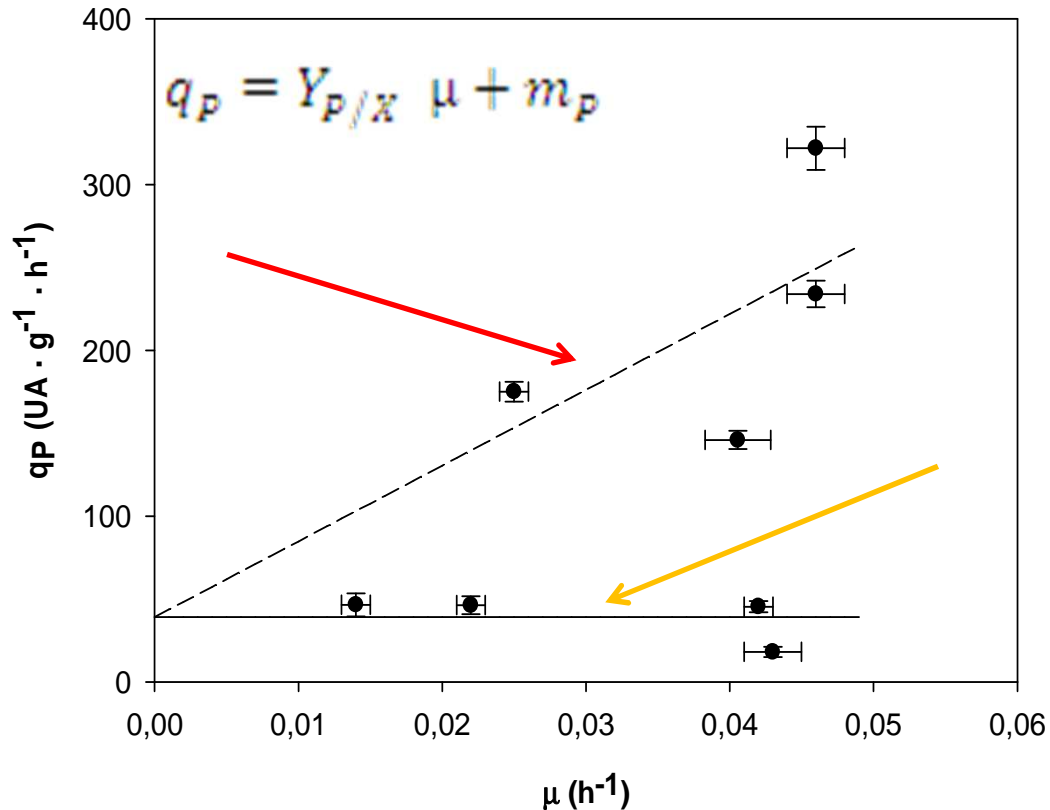


Pirt's model good correlation

Parameter	$q_s = g \text{ g}^{-1} \text{ h}^{-1}$		
	Units	Value	CV%
$Y_{s/x}$	$g \text{ g}^{-1}$	4.21	11.6
$m_s$	$g \text{ g}^{-1} \text{ h}^{-1}$	0.0142	> 100
Statistical		R <sup>2</sup>	p value
		0.92	< 0.001



## Specific product model. Luedeking-Piret model



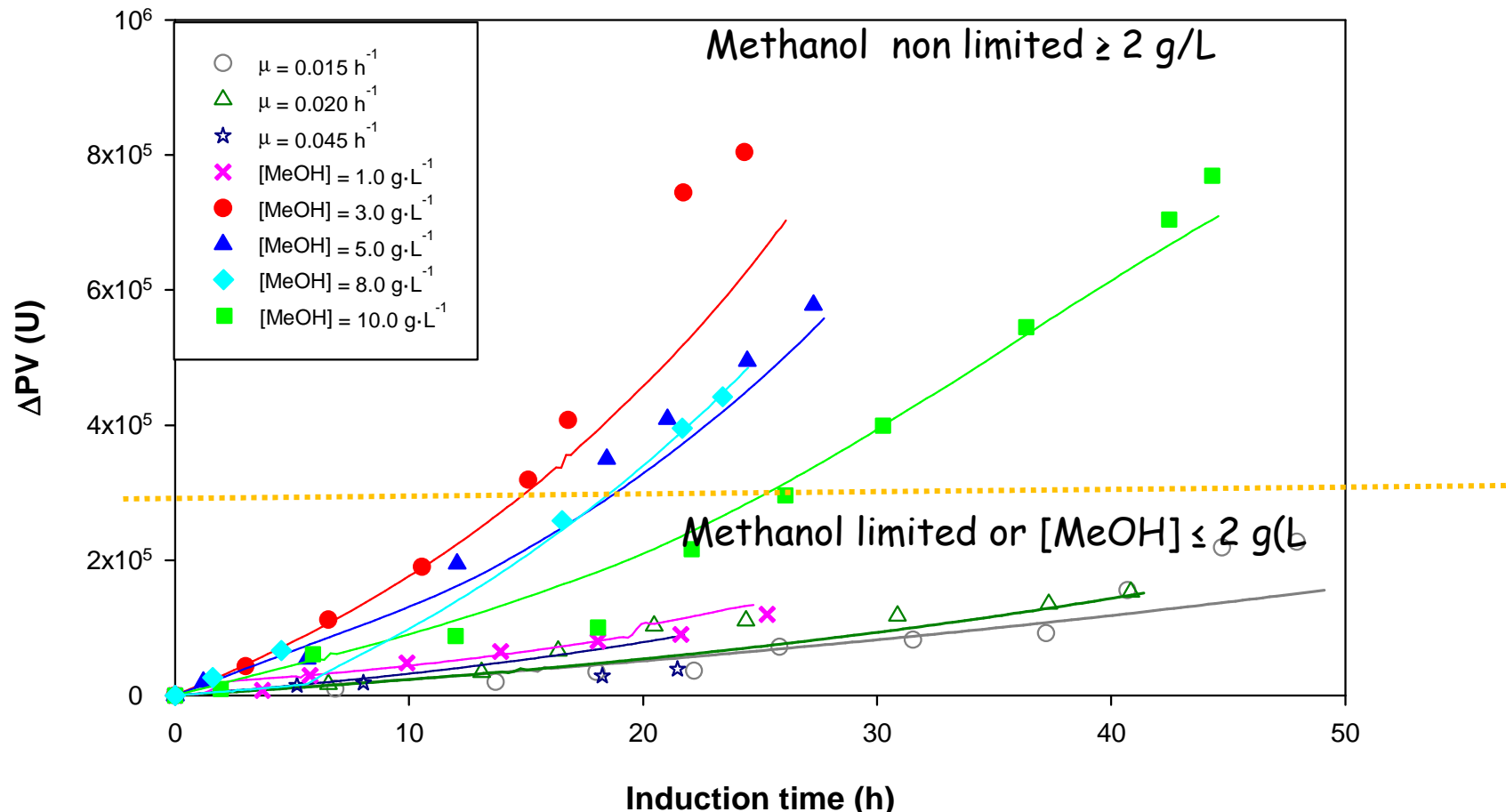
Luedeking-Piret 2 submodels:

$q_p$  constant for fed-batch cultures carried out at conditions lower than  $S_{crit,X}$  ( $1.9 \text{ g L}^{-1}$ ) and  $Y_{P/X} \approx 0$ .

Over  $S_{crit,X}$   $q_p$  depending linearly on  $\mu$

Parameter	$q_p = U \text{ g}^{-1} \text{ h}^{-1}$		
	Units	Value	CV%
$Y_{P/X}$	$U \text{ g}^{-1}$	4.56	17.3
$m_p$	$U \text{ g}^{-1} \text{ h}^{-1}$	39.3	20.7
Statistical		$R^2$	p value
		0.92	< 0.001

## Simulation and experimental state variables PV



Overall protein productivities estimated from mean slope are between  $3.2 \cdot 10^3$  and  $2.7 \cdot 10^4 \text{ U h}^{-1}$

### Comparison cell growth kinetics

Reference	Protein	Model	$\mu_{max}$ $h^{-1}$	$S_{crit}$ $g L^{-1}$	$K_S$ $g L^{-1}$	$K_I$ $g L^{-1}$
Kobayashi et al., 2000	HA2	Haldane	0.154	3.05	< 0.2	---
Schenk et al., 2007&2008	Avidin	Haldane	0.139	$1 < S_{crit} < 6$	< 0.6	---
Curvers et al., 2002	hCRTB	Monod	0.084	$S_{crit} < 4$	0.22	---
Zhang et al., 2000	BoNT/A(Hc)	Haldane	0.08	3.65	1.5	8.86
Jacobs et al., 2010	GlycoSwitch-Man5	Haldane	0.063	2	---	---
Zhou and Zhang 2002	HV2	Haldane	0.046	3.09	1.35	7.08
<b>Our work</b>	<b>ROL</b>	<b>Haldane</b>	<b>0.069</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>8.85</b>

$\mu_{max}$  range 0.154 - 0.046  $h^{-1}$

$S_{crit}$  range < 6; around 2-3  $g L^{-1}$

Target protein affect significantly to growth kinetics

### Comparison substrate consumption kinetics

Reference	Protein	Model	$Y_{S/X}$ $g\ g^{-1}$	$m_S$ $g\ g^{-1}\ h^{-1}$	$Y_{overallS/X}$ $g\ g^{-1}$ $\mu = 0.02h^{-1}$
Kobayashi et al., 2000	HA2	$\mu$ -qS linear	2.57	0.0226	3.7
Schenk et al., 2007&2008	Avidin	$\mu$ -qS linear		-----	2.85
Curvers et al., 2002	hCRTB	$\mu$ -qS linear	3.53	0.0298	5.02
Zhang et al., 2000	BoNT/A(Hc)	$\mu$ -qS linear	3.05	0.0160	3.85
Jacobs et al., 2010	GlycoSwitch-Man5	$\mu$ -qS linear		-----	3.53
Zhou and Zhang 2002	HV2	$\mu$ -qS linear		-----	2.0*
Khatri and Hofmann 2006	scFV	$\mu$ -qS linear	4.17*	0.042*	6.27*
Pais et al., 2003	MPI	$\mu$ -qS linear	2.05	0.016	2.85
<b>Our work</b>	<b>ROL</b>	<b><math>\mu</math>-qS linear</b>	<b>4.21</b>	<b>0.0142</b>	<b>4.92</b>

Different values  
function of  
target protein

$Y_{overallS/X}$  range

2.85 - 5.02  $g\ g^{-1}$

Maintenance  
coef. range

0.042-0-016

\* Conversion factor WCW-DCW = 4.2

## • **CONCLUSIONS**

MNLFB strategy better than MLFB strategy for ROL production. For other target protein?

Target protein affects significantly on kinetics of the bioprocess.

Exploitation of model B including estimation, control and optimization applications to be developed in the future.

Is it possible to know the effect of a target protein previous to cloning and its production in a bioprocess?. Up to day is not clear.

➤ **Higher oxygen consumption rate.**

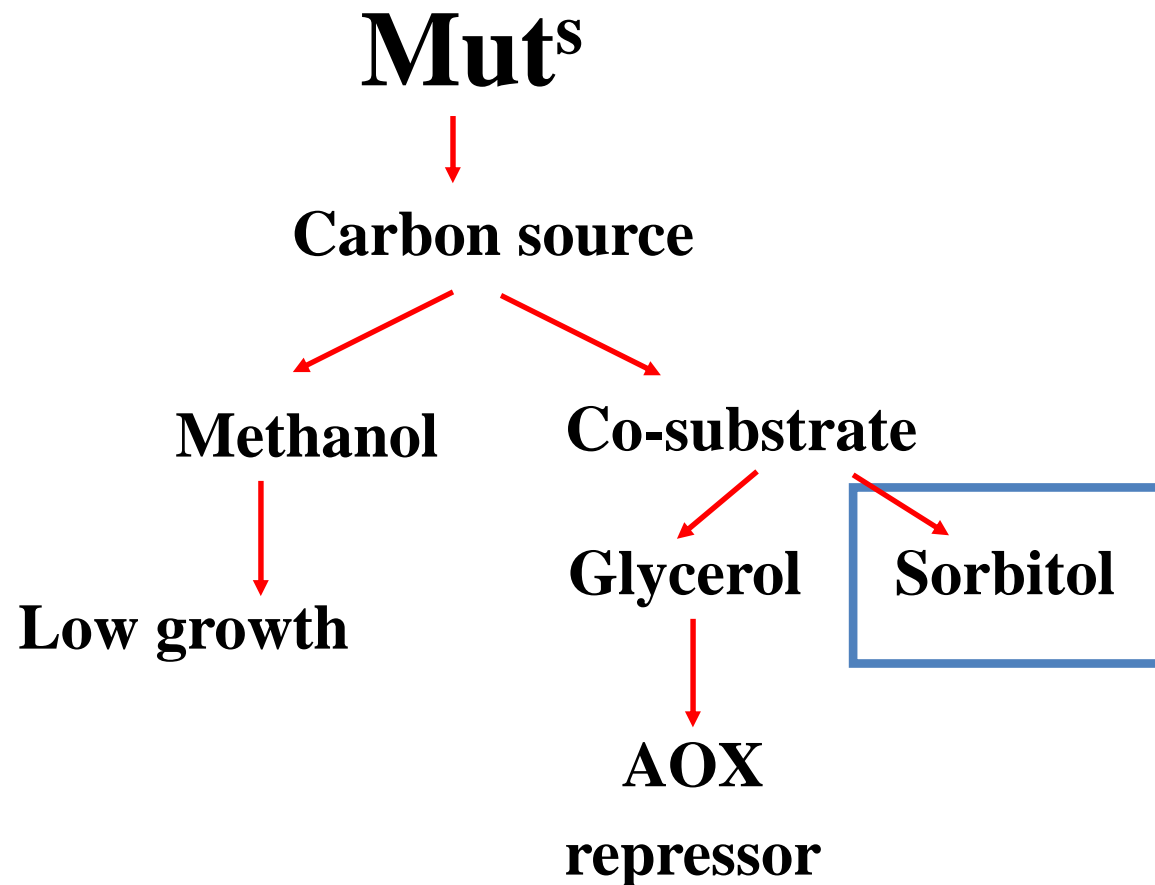
➤ **Higher heat production rate.**



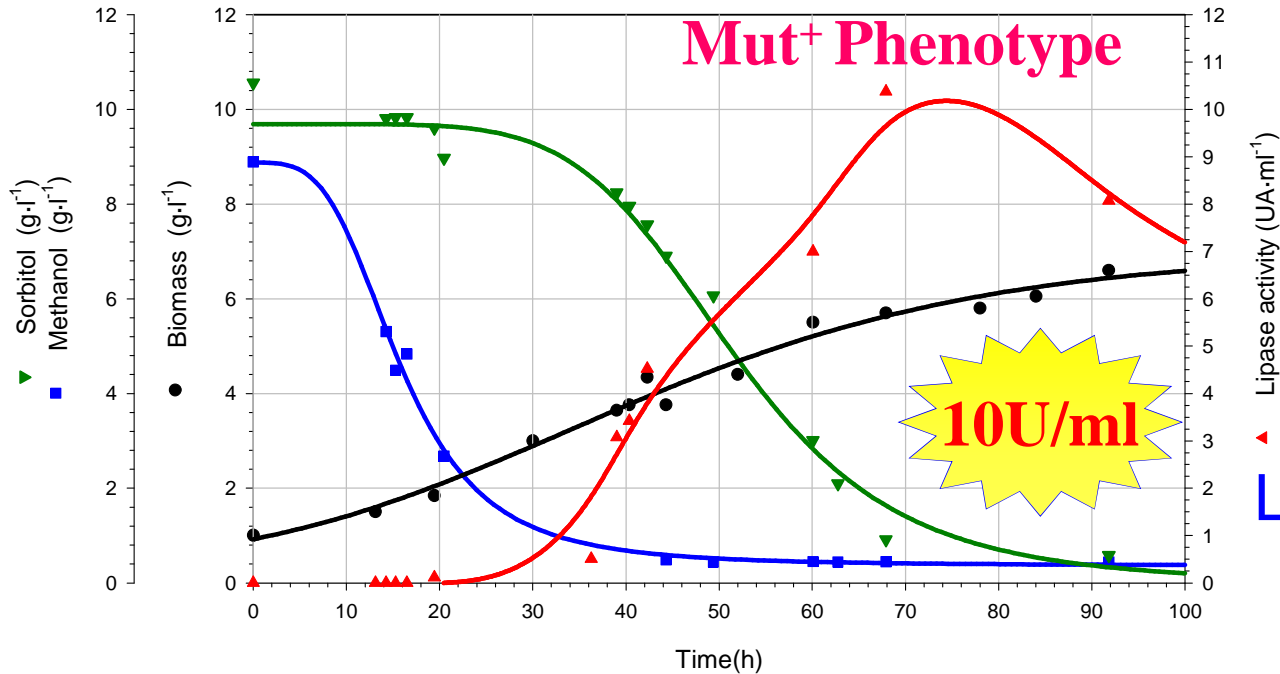
*Mut<sup>s</sup> phenotype*

## PROMOTOR AOX

Mixed substrates strategy (methanol + ?)

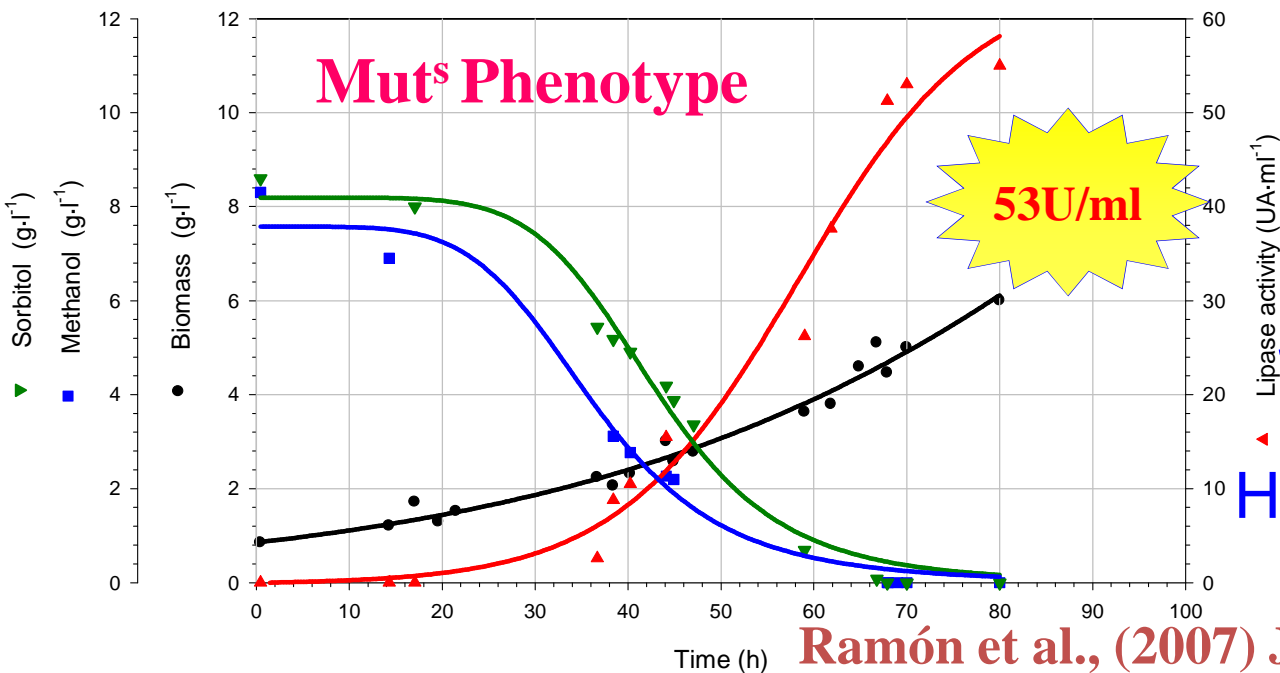


# Mut<sup>+</sup> versus Mut<sup>s</sup> mixed substrates strategy



Mut<sup>+</sup> phenotype  
Sequential growth  
First methanol

Low protein production



Mut<sup>s</sup> phenotype  
Simultaneous growth

High protein production



## Mut<sup>+</sup> versus Mut<sup>s</sup> mixed substrates strategy

	Methanol Mut <sup>+</sup>	Methanol + Sorbitol Mut <sup>+</sup>	Methanol + Sorbitol Mut <sup>s</sup>
Max. lipase activity* (U/ml)	6	10	53
Y <sub>P/X</sub> * (UA g <sup>-1</sup> X)	1413	1825	10600
Productivity* (UA L <sup>-1</sup> h <sup>-1</sup> )	201	153	757
Specific productivity (UA g <sup>-1</sup> X h <sup>-1</sup> )	47	27	151

## Mixed substrates studies sorbitol

- ✓ Development of a new operational fed-batch strategy with mixed substrates.
  - ✓ No on-line monitoring of sorbitol and glycerol.

Fed-batch operational strategy at constant  $\mu$  by preprogrammed exponential feeding rate for sorbitol/glycerol and methanol concentration control

## Mixed substrates studies sorbitol

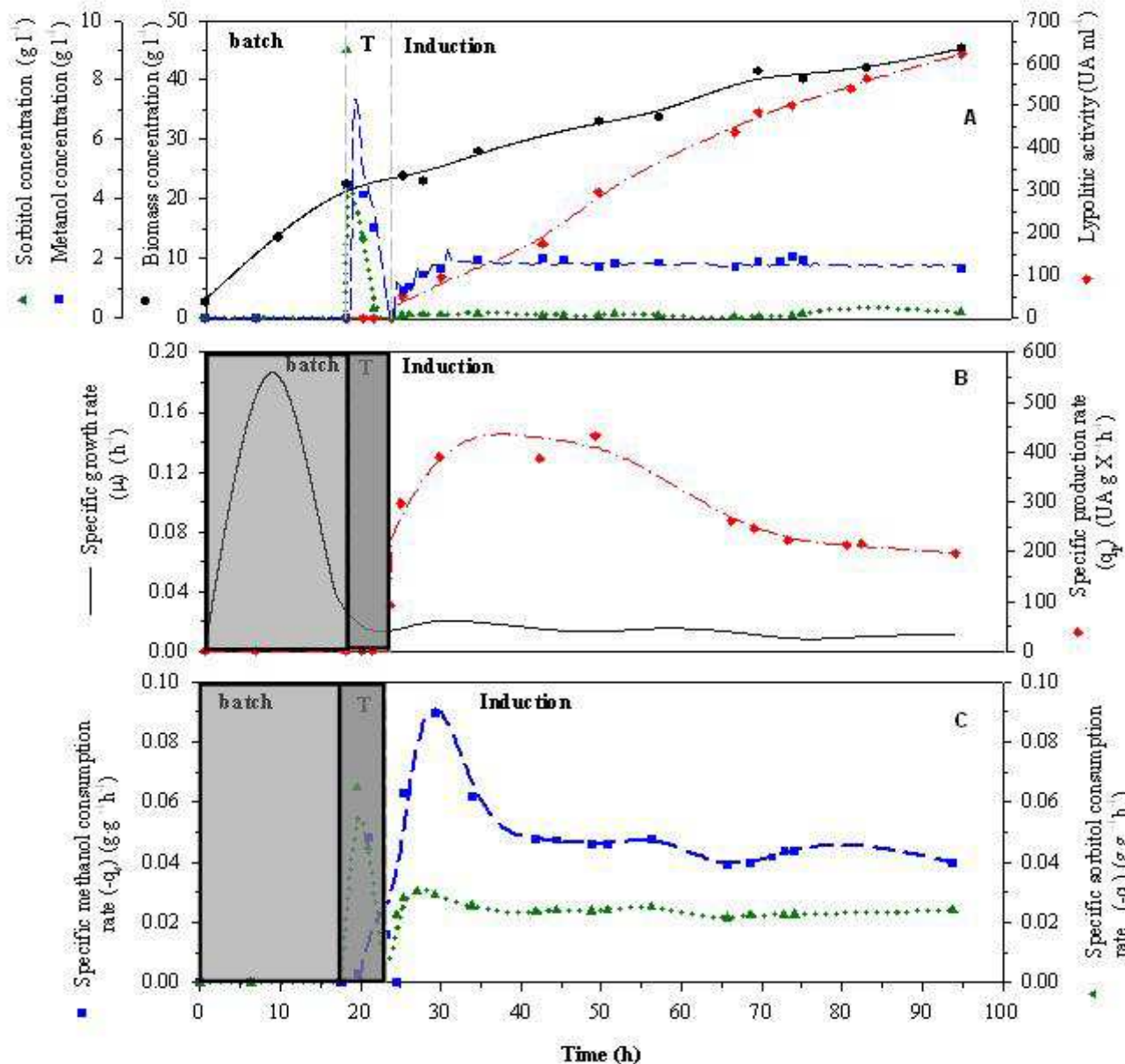
**Effect on growth, production yield and productivity of:**

- ✓ Methanol set-point concentration (0.5, 2 and 4 g·L<sup>-1</sup>)
- ✓ Specific growth rate (sorbitol) (0.01 and 0.02 h<sup>-1</sup>)

# Mixed substrates studies sorbitol

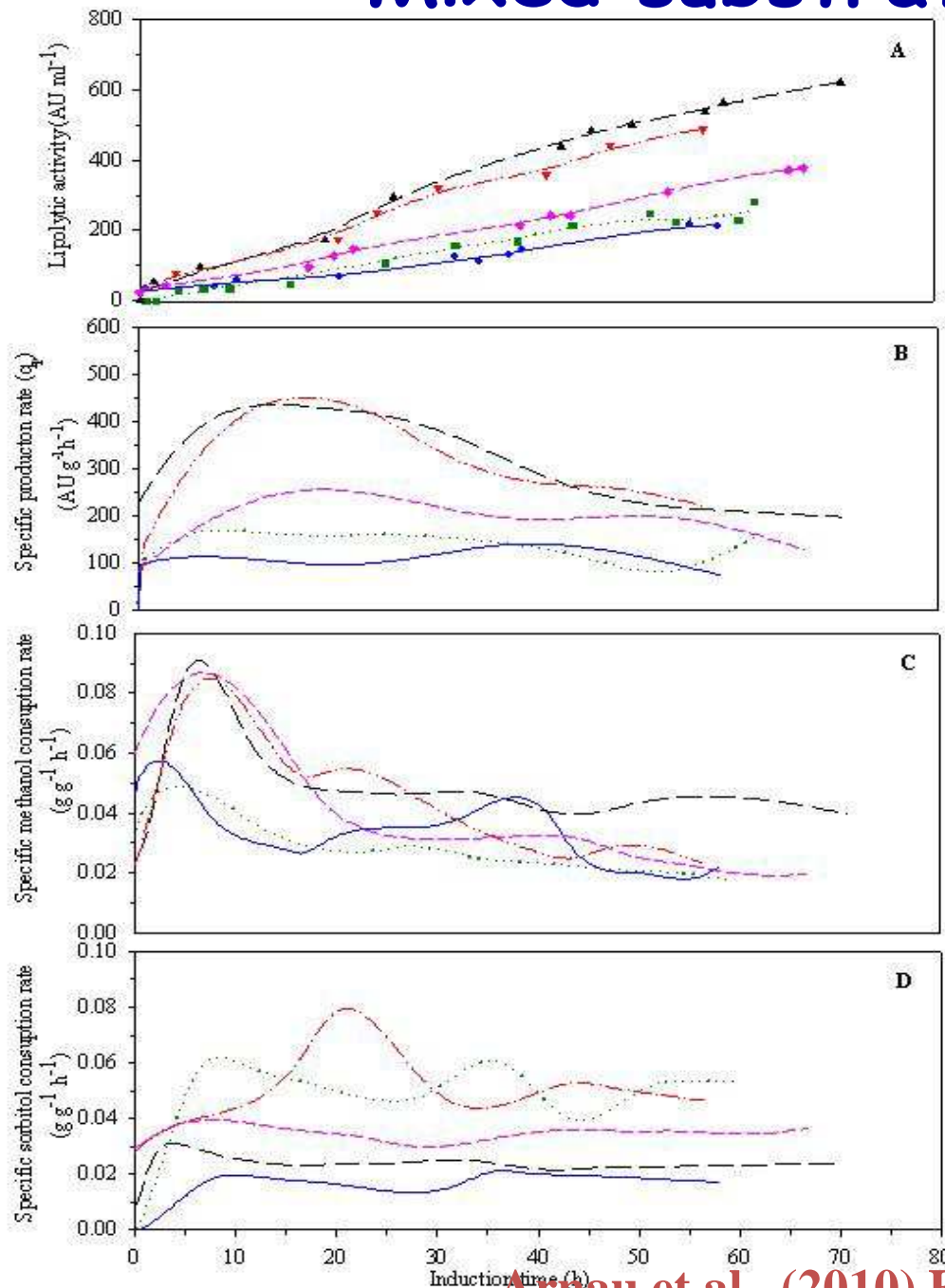
Fed-batch fermentation

$$\mu = 0.01 \text{ h}^{-1}$$
$$[\text{MeOH}] = 2 \text{ g L}^{-1}$$



Arnau et al., (2010) Enzyme Microb. Technol. 46 (6), 494-500

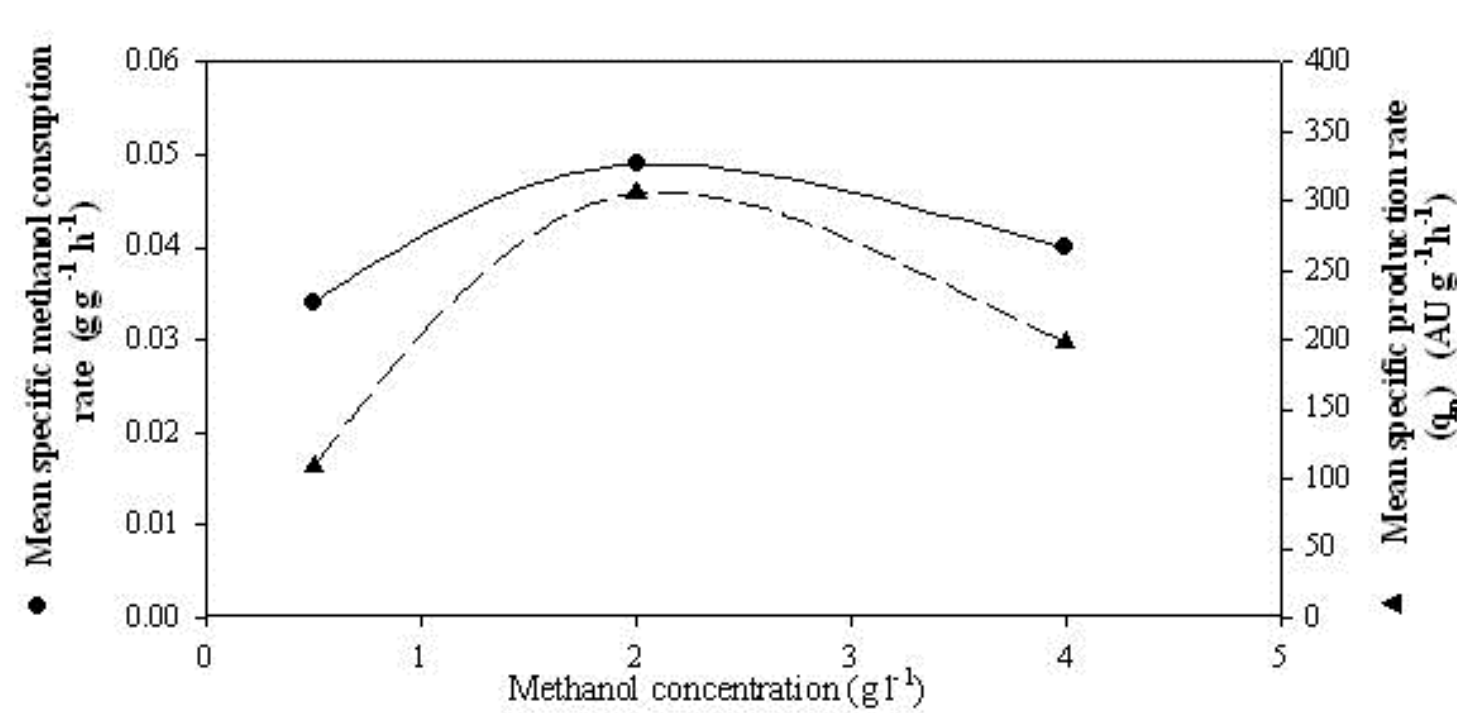
# Mixed substrates studies sorbitol



- ✓ No influence of sorbitol growth rate.
- ✓ Key parameter [methanol].
- ✓ Needs to optimize methanol.
- ✓ Inhibitory effect of high [MeOH].
- ✓ High fermentation time.
- ✓  $\mu = 0.01-0.02 \text{ h}^{-1}$

- · — · —  $\mu_{\max} = 0.02 \text{ h}^{-1}$ ; [MeOH] = 2 g L<sup>-1</sup>
- - - -  $\mu_{\max} = 0.01 \text{ h}^{-1}$ ; [MeOH] = 2 g L<sup>-1</sup>
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## Mixed substrates studies sorbitol

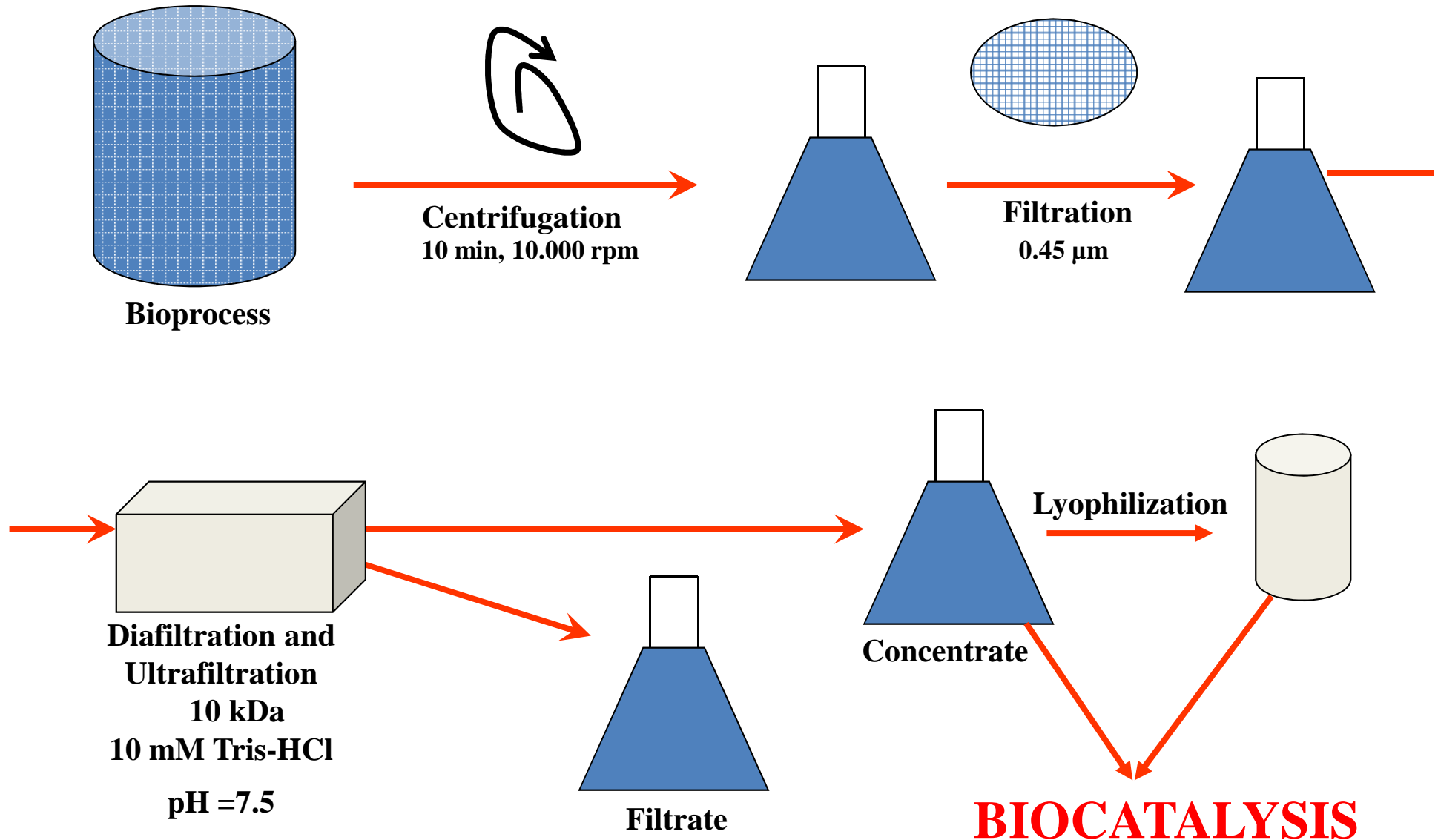


**Optimized methanol concentration 2 g L<sup>-1</sup>**

## Comparison between strategies

	Metanol 1 g/L Mut <sup>s</sup>	Metanol 2,5 g/L Mut <sup>+</sup>	Met-Sor 2 g/l Mut <sup>+</sup>	New Strategy ?
Actividad máxima* (U/ml)	490	410	488	
Y <sub>P/X</sub> * (UA g <sup>-1</sup> X)	11236	6120	10382	
Productividad* (UA L <sup>-1</sup> h <sup>-1</sup> )	4901	5857	6421	

# Downstream of ROL



**BIOCATALYSIS**

**Storage (-20°C) years without lost of activity**



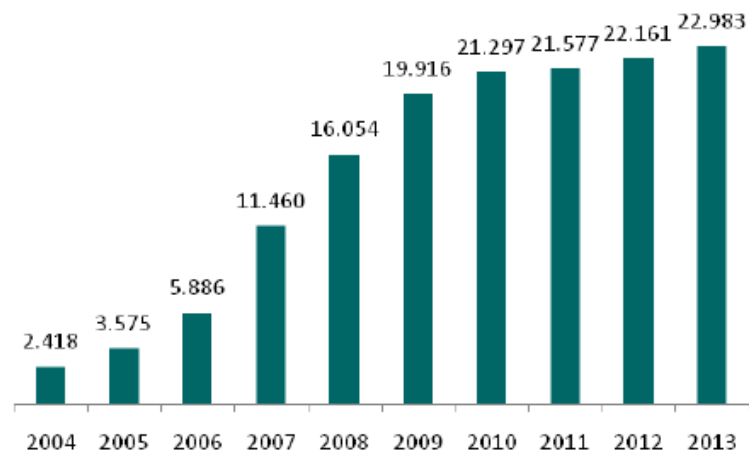


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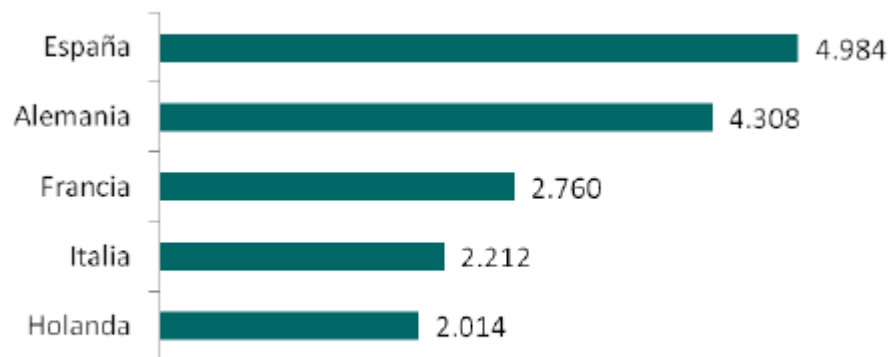
# APPLIED BIOCATALYSIS OF rROL. ENZYMATIC BIODIESEL PRODUCTION

Capacidad de producción de biodiesel en la UE (2004-2013)



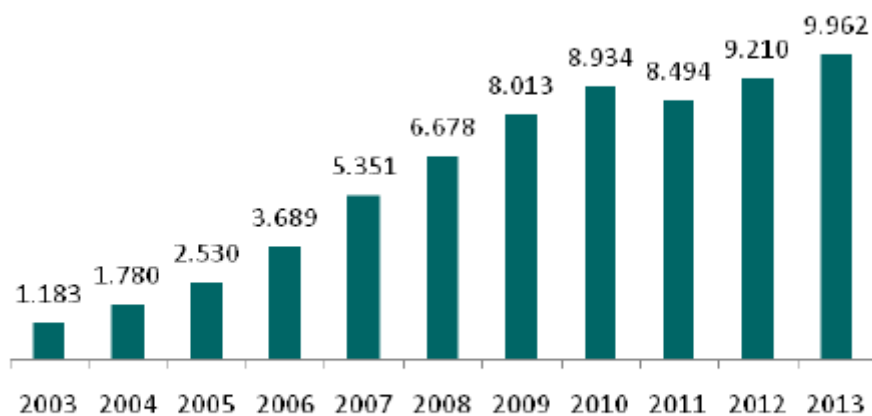
En miles de toneladas  
Fuente: Eurostat

Ranking países capacidad producción biodiesel 2013



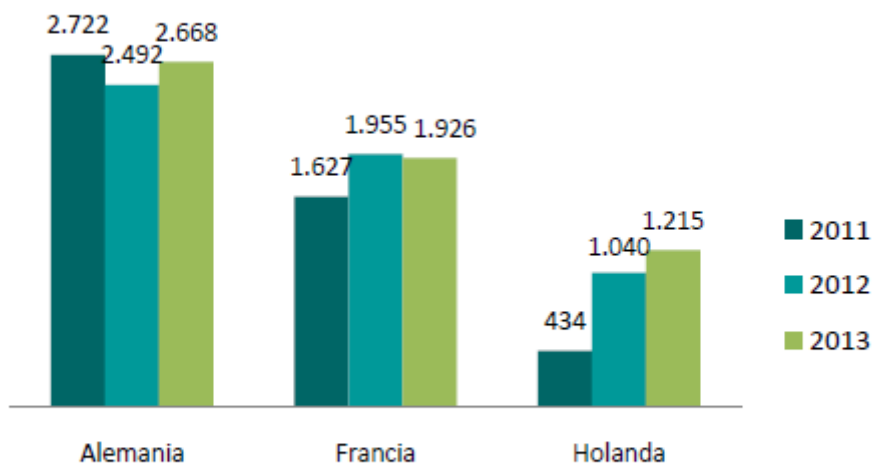
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Producción de biodiesel en la UE (2003-2013)



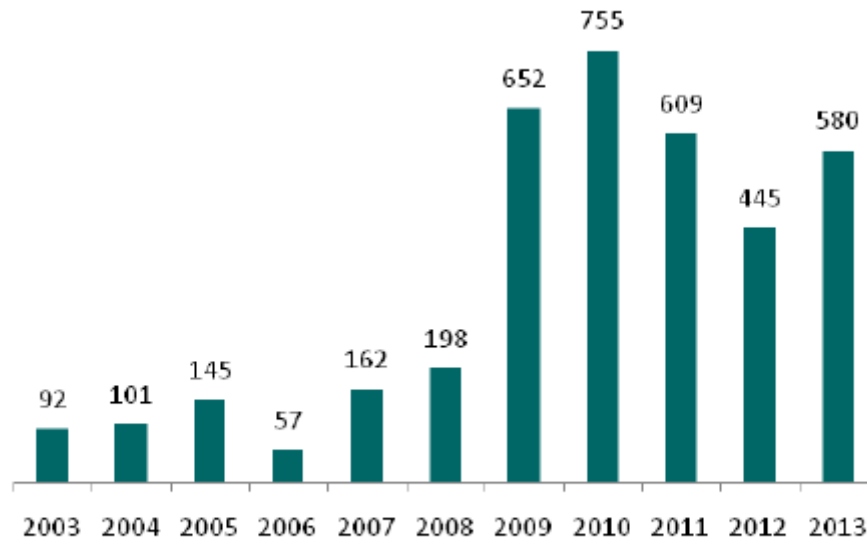
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Ranking países productores en la UE (2011-2013)



En miles de toneladas  
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Evolución producción biodiesel España (2003-2013)



En miles de toneladas  
Fuente: Eurostat/Elaboración propia

Tabla. Consumo de biocombustibles en gasóleo 2012-2013. En toneladas

Ranking	País	2013	2012
1	Francia	2.293.324	2.268.977
2	Alemania	1.954.811	2.190.767
3	Italia	1.169.175	1.263.288
4	España	816.461	1.899.294
5	Reino Unido	603.755	497.349
	Total UE28	10.750.984	11.660.993

Fuente: Euroobserver

Capacity of production 4984 thousands of tones  
Production 580 thousands of tones. Year 2013

## ORIGIN OF SUBSTRATES

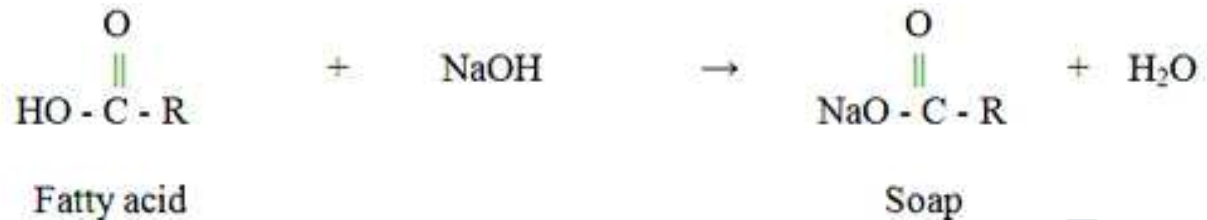
### **First generation biodiesel** VS **Second generation biodiesel**

- Edible oils  
(cottonseed, palm, rapeseed...)

- Non-edible oils  
- Animal fats  
- Waste oils

Biodiesel	First Generation	Second Generation
<b>Advantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Already implanted</li><li>· More environmentally friendly than fossil</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Easy available</li><li>· Less GH emissions</li><li>· Less-expensive substrates</li></ul>
<b>Disadvantages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Land Use</li><li>· Higher food price</li><li>· Net energy negative</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· High FFA concentration</li><li>· Neutralisation step</li></ul>

- **Problem**: high concentration of FFAs induces soap formation → neutralisation step is needed or acid catalysis.



Schematic representation of soap formation (Wen, 2012).

  
Biodiesel

Use of **lipases**:

WASTE OIL (FFAs) + LIPASE → COMPATIBLE

└─> Alcohol inactivation?

## OUR SUBSTRATE

- Raw ***alperujo* olive oil (AOO)**: non-edible oil, by-product of the olive harvesting.
- Easily available in Spain.
- More than 20%wt of FFAs.



Raw *alperujo* oil

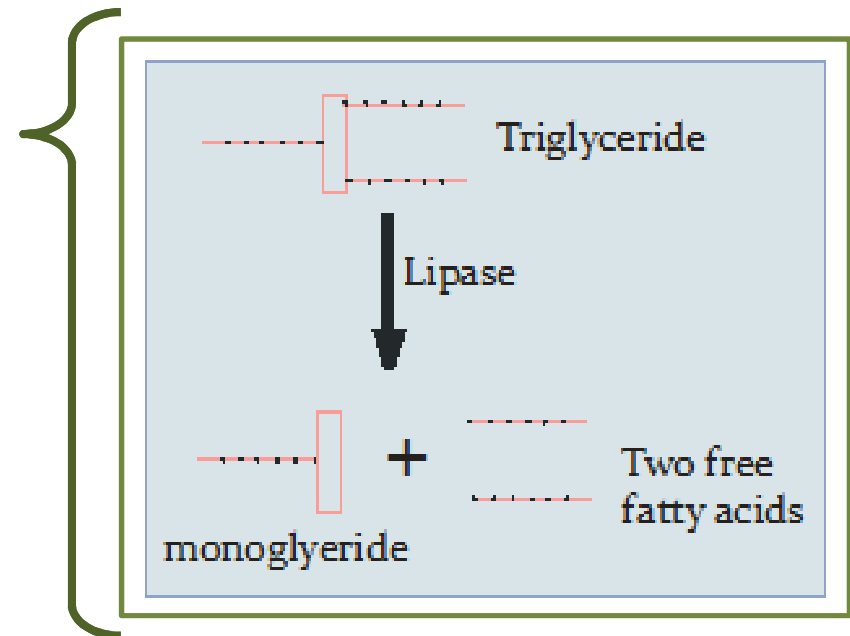
## **OBJECTIVE**

The use of AOO for enzymatic biodiesel synthesis evaluating its FFA content as well as the methanol addition.

- Recombinant 1,3-positional selective *Rhizopus oryzae* lipase (rROL) produced using *Pichia pastoris* as a cell factory.

**Maximum theoretical yield → 66%**

- Immobilised in a **glutaraldehyde-treated polymethacrylate amino-epoxide carrier** (Relizyme HFA-Glut) by COVALENT BOND.



# Effect of FFAs

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Three types of substrate were used:

RAW  
ALPERUJO

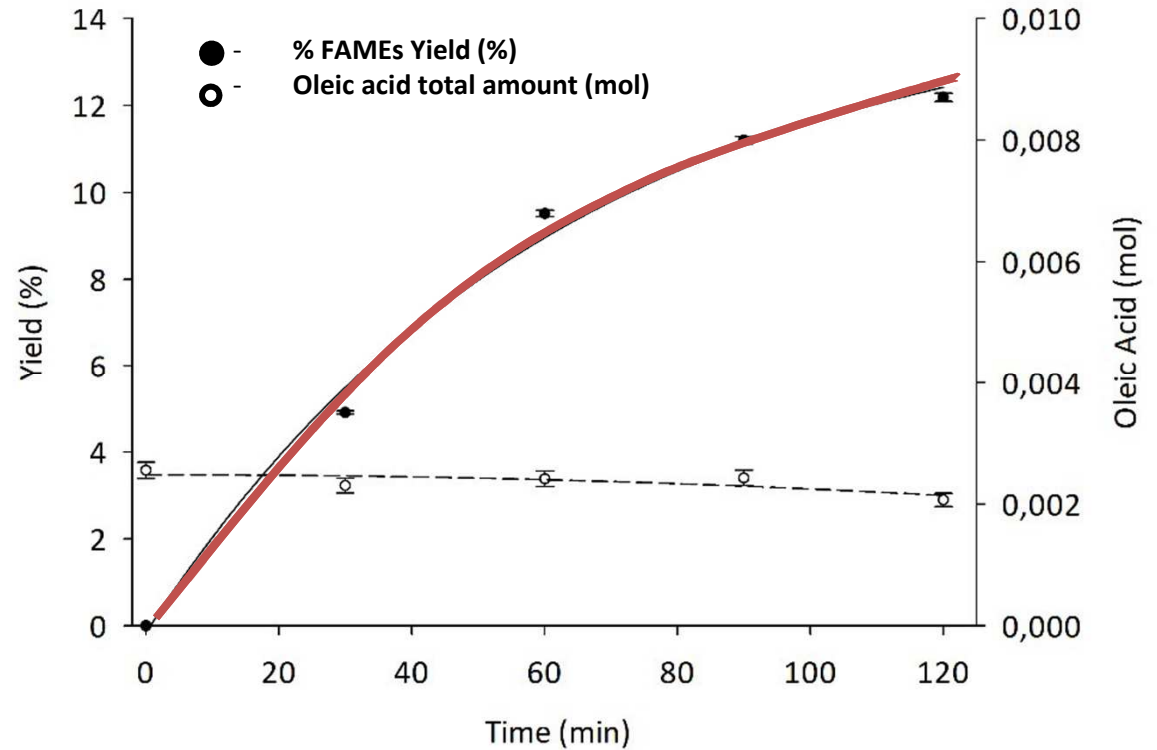
NEUTR.  
ALPERUJO

SUPPL.  
ALPERUJO



# INITIAL RATE

- 1 RAW ALPERUJO
- 2 NEUTR. ALPERUJO
- 3 SUPPL. ALPERUJO

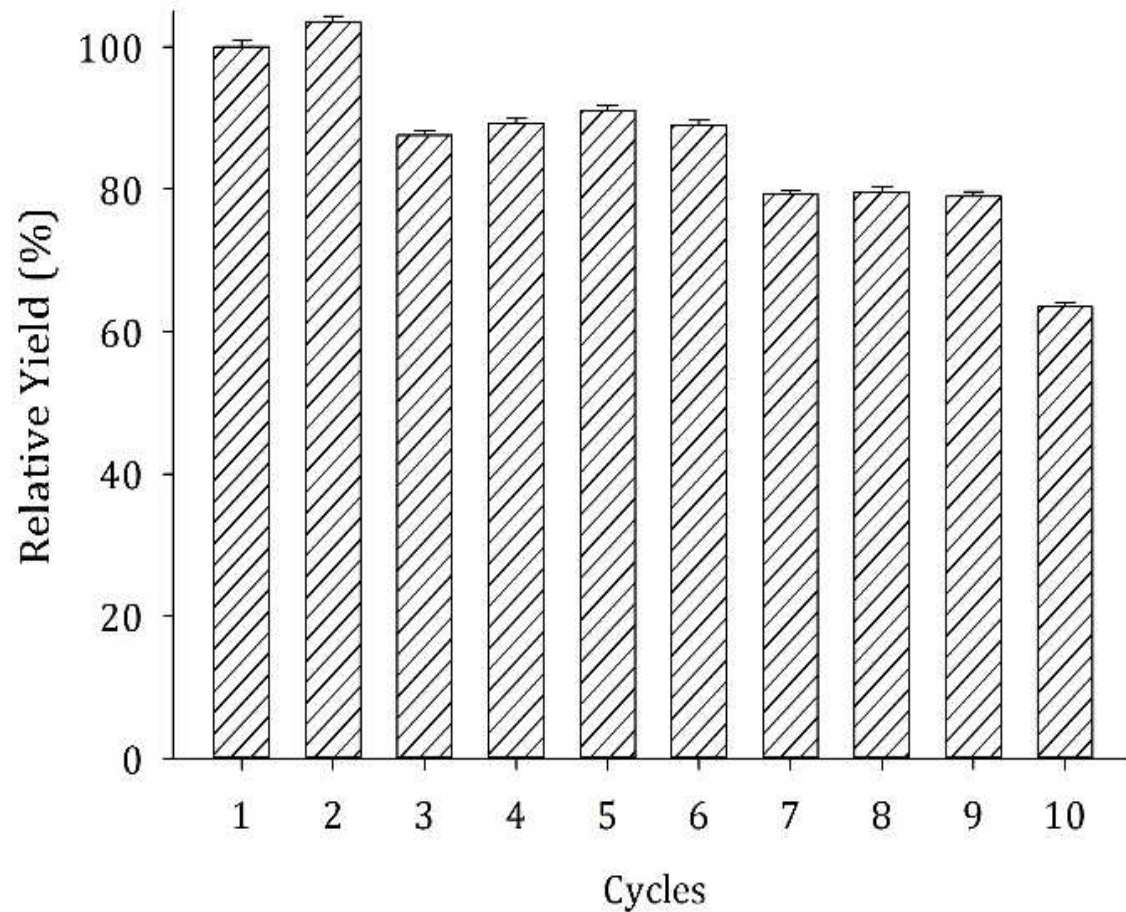


Time evolution of FAME yield and oleic acid amount when raw alperujo is used.

1 pulse of methanol (14%) to evaluate initial rate

12% of yield in 2 hours.

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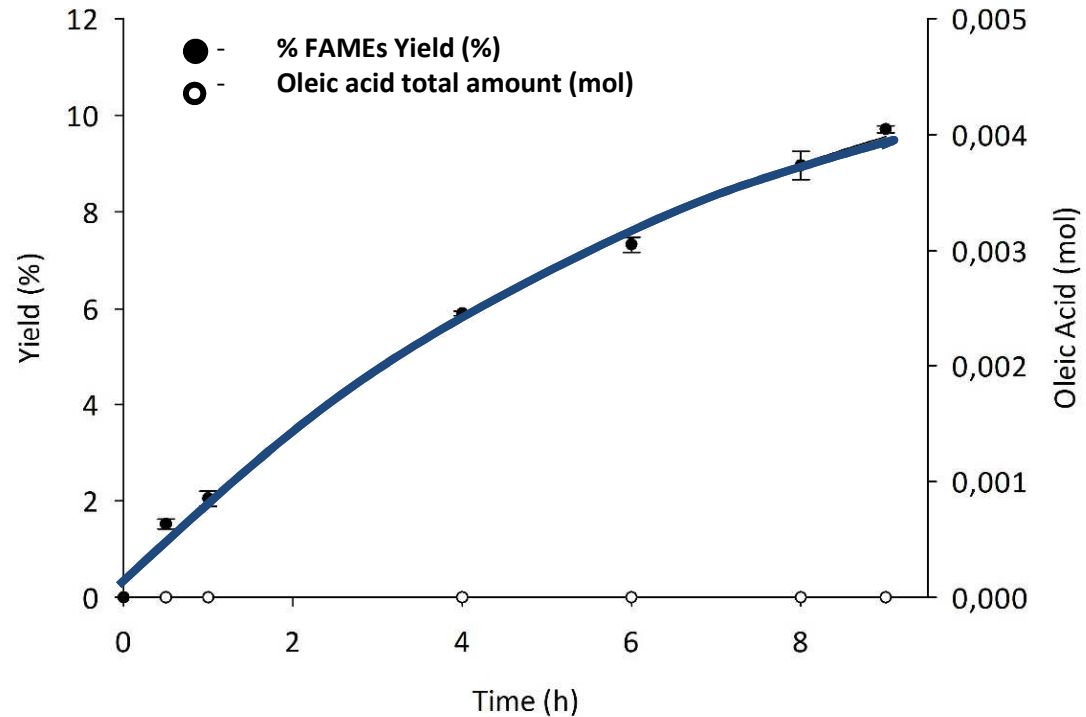


Re-utilisation cycles taking the first reaction yield as 100% of yield, when raw alperujo is used .

20-30% of activity loss in 20h

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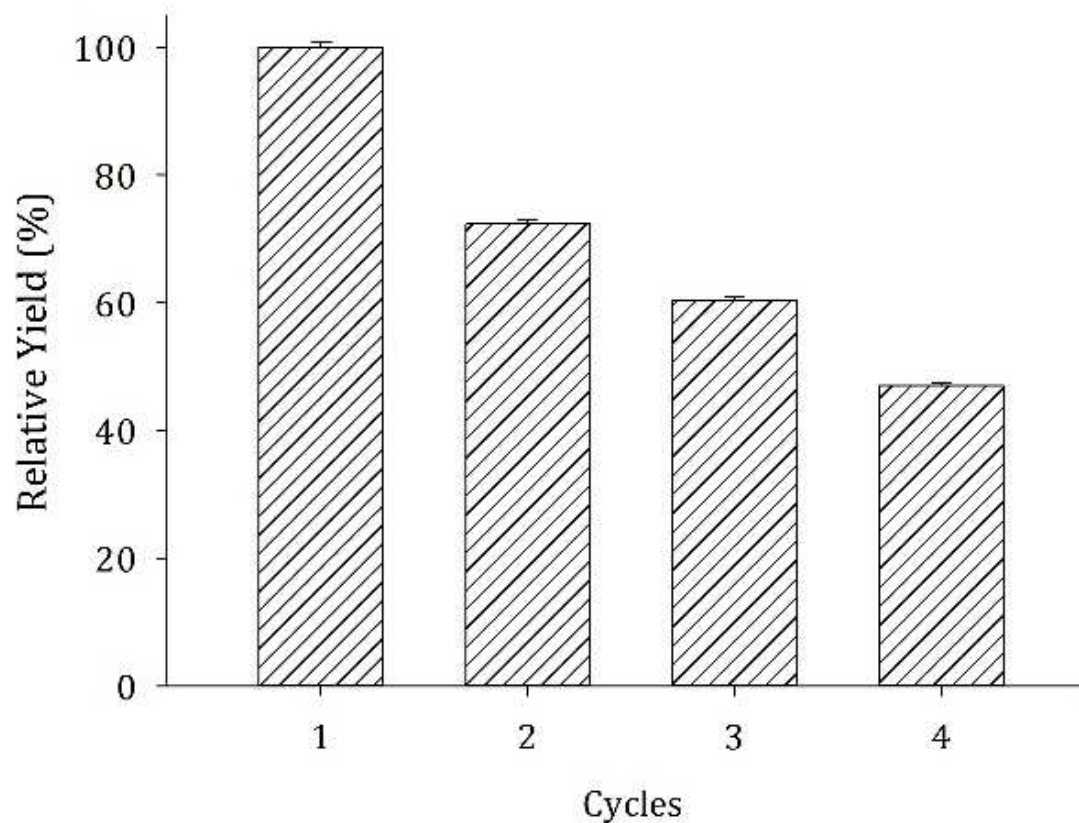


Time evolution of FAME yield and oleic acid amount when neutralized alperujo is used.

1 pulse of methanol (14%) to evaluate initial rate

10% of yield in 9 hours.

# STABILITY

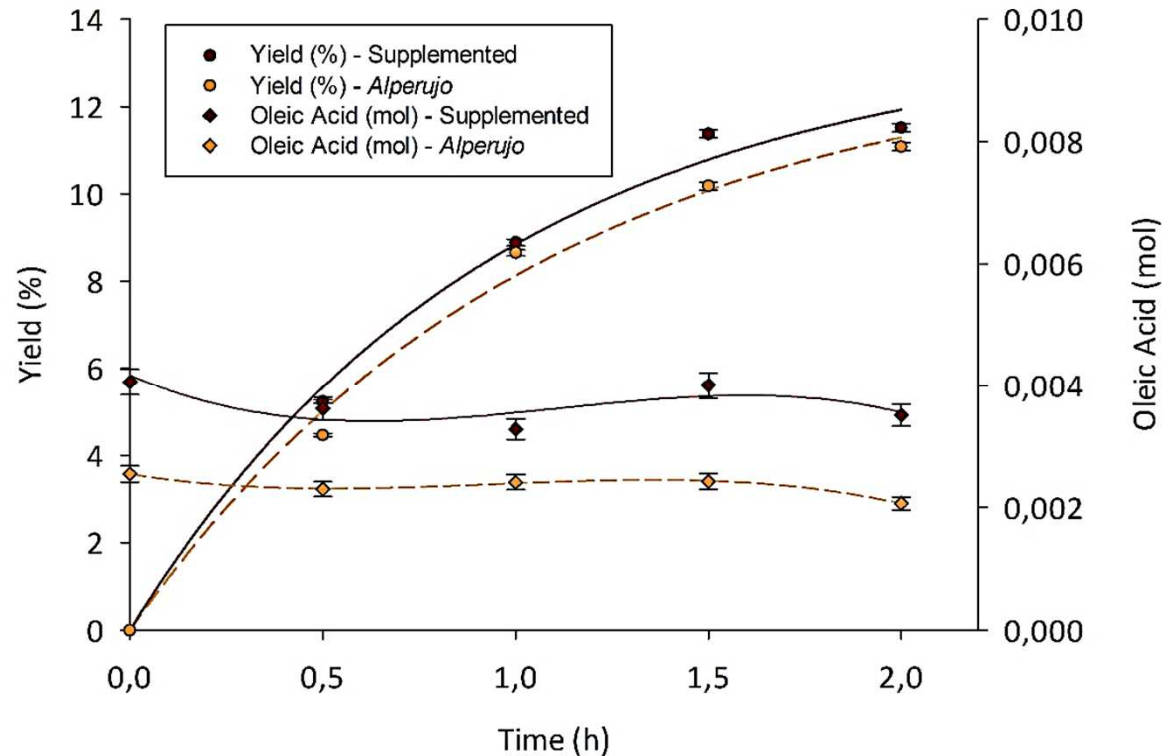


Re-utilisation cycles taking the first reaction yield as 100% of yield, when neutralized alperujo is used .

30-35% of activity loss in 20h

# INITIAL RATE

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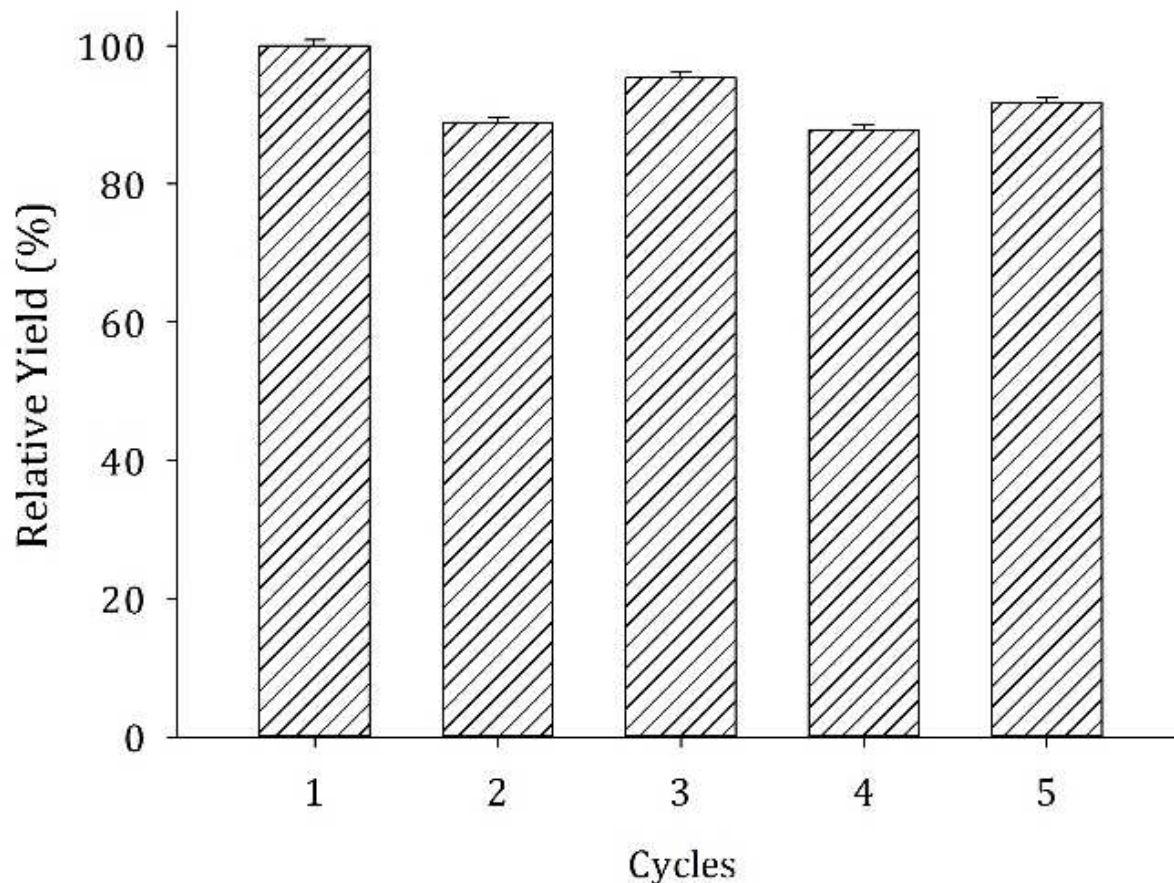


Time evolution of FAME yield and oleic acid amount when supplemented alperujo is used (—) in comparison with raw oil (- -) .

1 pulse of methanol (14%) to evaluate initial rate

Same behaviour than raw alperujo

# STABILITY



Re-utilisation cycles taking the first reaction yield as 100% of yield, when supplemented alperujo is used .

Same retained activity as raw *alperujo*

## Comparison of initial rate values

Substrate used	Initial rate ( $\mu\text{mol FAME}\cdot\text{mL}^{-1}\cdot\text{min}^{-1}$ )
<b>Raw <i>alperujo</i></b>	6,48
<b>Neutralised <i>alperujo</i></b>	0,64
<b>Supplemented <i>alperujo</i></b>	7,28

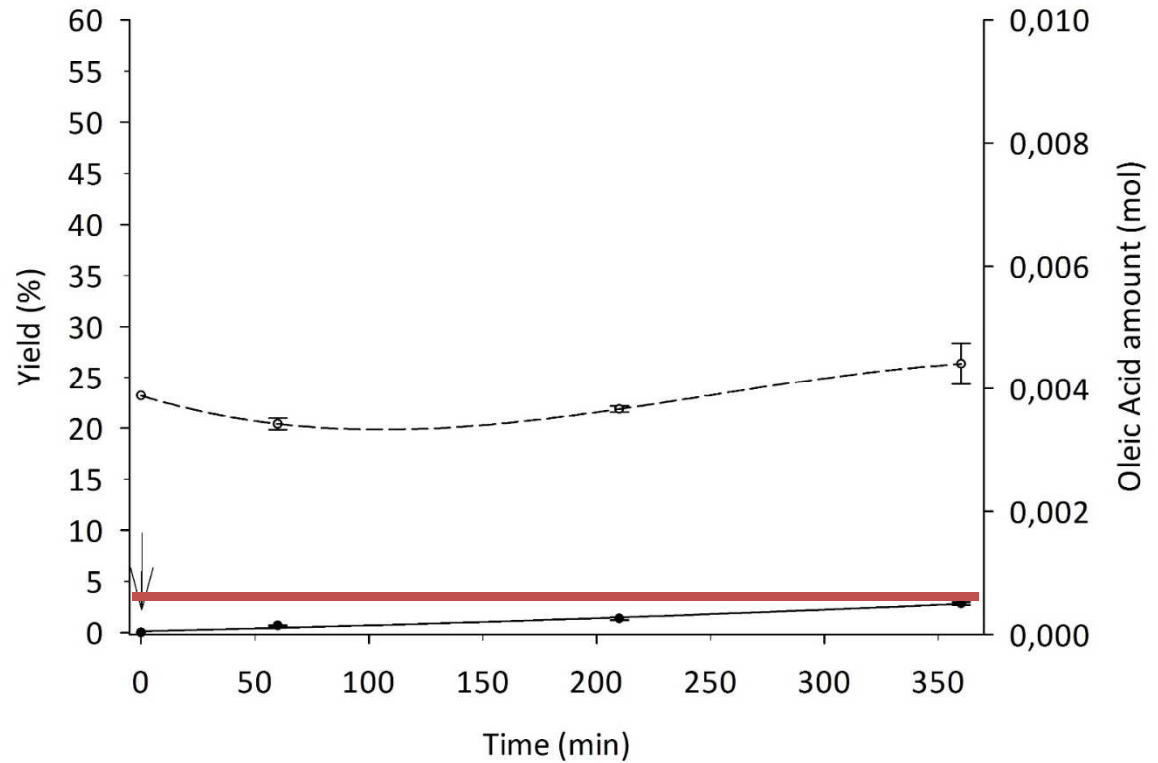
# Effect of metanol addition

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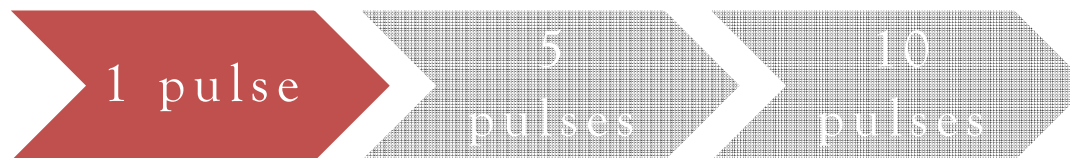


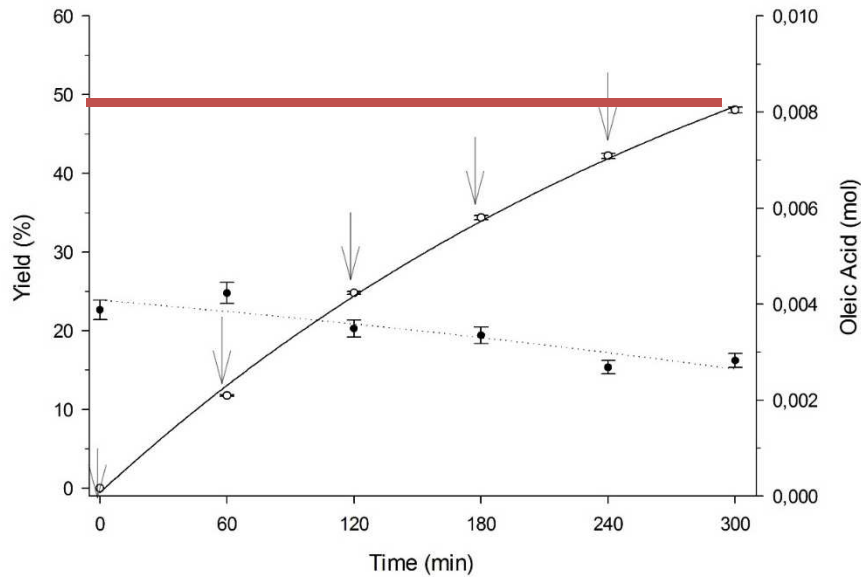


1 pulse of metanol,  
66%

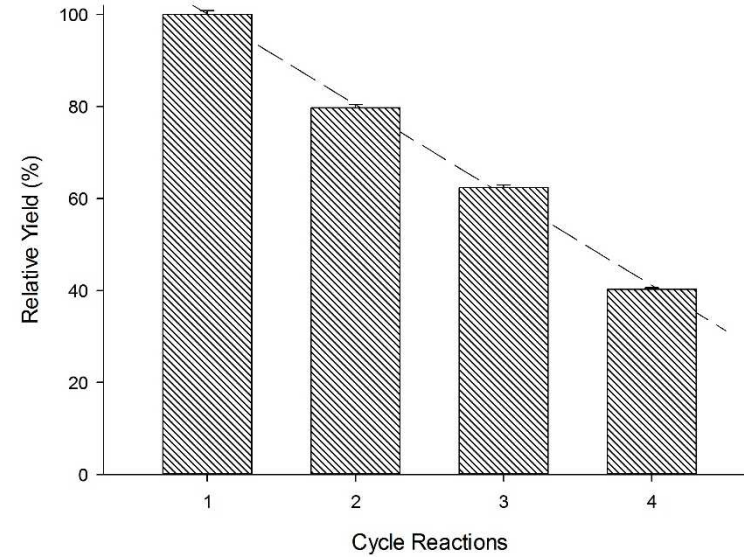


Time evolution of FAME yield and oleic acid amount when one pulse of methanol was added.

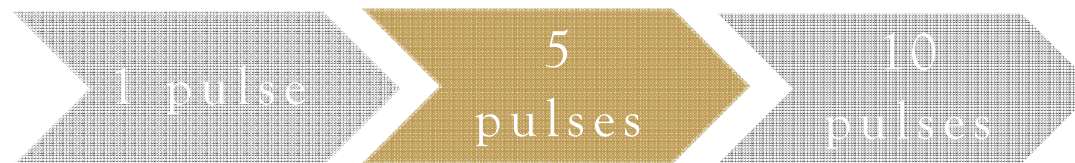
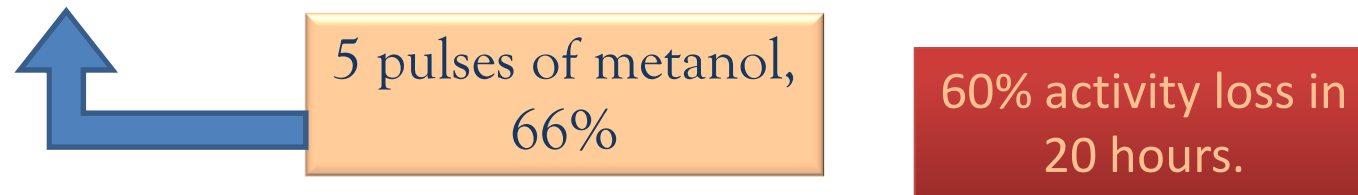


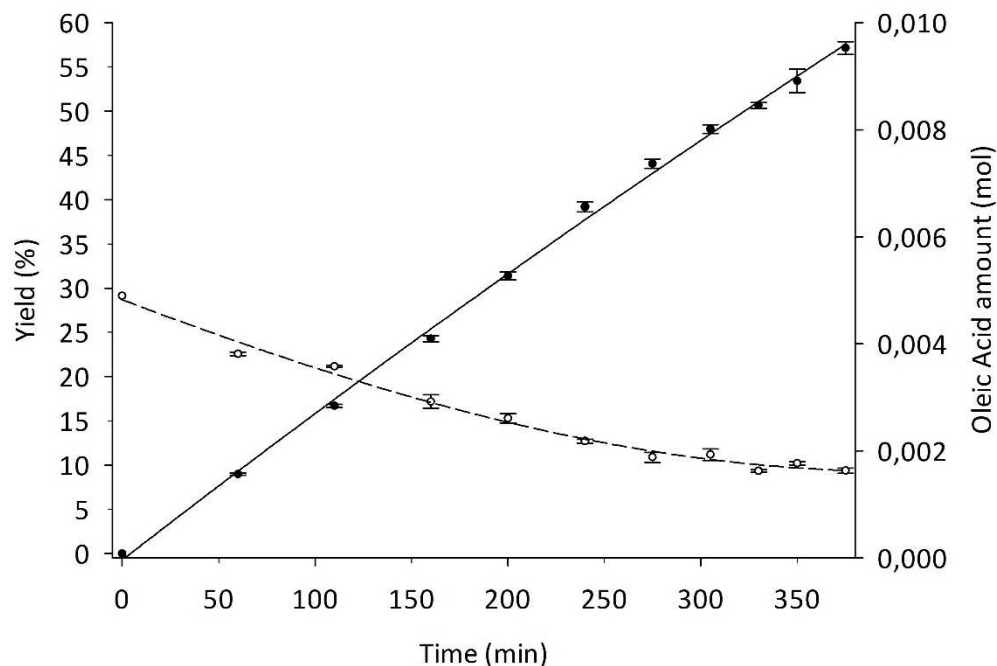


Time evolution of FAME yield and oleic acid amount when five pulses of methanol were added.

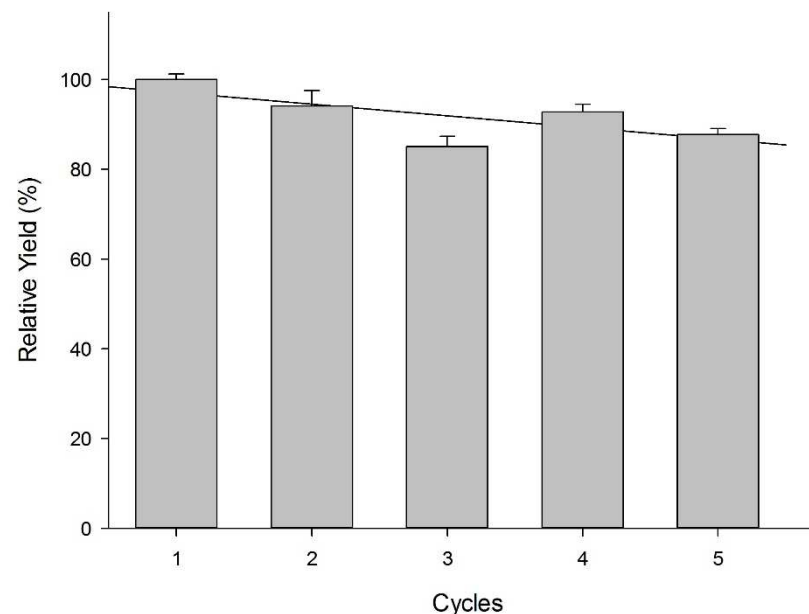


Re-utilisation cycles taking the first reaction yield as 100% of yield, when five pulses of methanol were added.

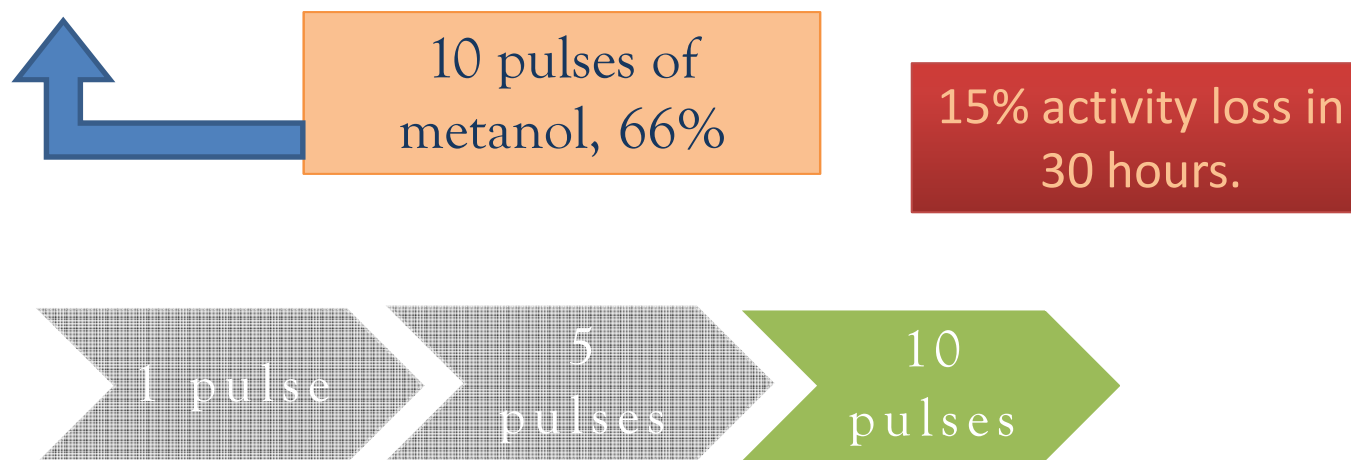




Time evolution of FAME yield and oleic acid amount when ten pulses of methanol were added.



Re-utilisation cycles taking the first reaction yield as 100% of yield, when ten pulses of methanol were added.



It has been shown that *alperujo* is a good candidate for biodiesel production

High concentrations of FFAs provided a higher initial rate

FFAs enhanced biocatalyst stability

The key point is the way metanol was added



*Thanks for your attention*

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