

DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRATED PROCESS FOR CONVERSION OF SUGARCANE TRASH TO BIOETHANOL AND VALUE-ADDED CHEMICALS

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BIO-industry and bio-

processing are key drivers on the establishment of the sustainable BIOECONOMY

Bioresources are explored as renewable starting material and as a pool of genetic resources providing "converters" and "catalysts" for competitive industry



Fuels: Ethanol (E10/E20/E85), biodiesel (B5), Adv biofuels



Energy: heat, steam, electricity



Chemicals: commodity & specialty





Materials: Bioplastics (PBS, PLA) & biomaterials More 1st G feedstock In Thailand

8.8 → 16.8 Mt sugar/year
5.3 → 7.3 Mt starch/year
8 → 9.5 Mt chip/year

However...

EV car (finding mor electricity resources?)

Local biofuel industry will soon be reformed to integrated biorefinery with more product spectrum to increase competitiveness and fully utilize existing and future facilities



More 2nd G feedstock

53 Mt bagasse/year4.9 Mt cassava pulp/year

Multi-disciplinary valorization & Waste management **NEEDED**

Maximized utilization

- Biofuels
- Biochemicals
- Biocomposites
- Biospecialties

Zero-waste process Sustainability & competitiveness

Value extraction from biomass + indirect impact on waste management

BACKGROUND Depletion of fossil fuel energy Drawbacks in the utilization of fossil fuel energy Biorefinery concept Utilization of all major components of lignocellulosic materials for energy and value-added products

Development of integrated process for conversion of sugarcane trash to bioethanol and value-added chemicals

Efficient method for pretreatment and fractionation of biomass Effective enzyme system for saccharification of pretreated biomass

MATERIALS Sugarcane Trash

Sugarcane Production in million tonnes (FAOSTAT, 2016)

Year	Indonesia	Japan	Thailand
2012	28.7	1.1	98.4
2013	28.4	1.2	100.0
2014	28.6	1.2	104.0







Chemical Compositions of Sugarcane Trash



Zhang et al. (2016)

RESEARCH PLAN

MATERIALS Sugarcane Trash

Collected from sugarcane factory in Indonesia and Thailand







Biomass Pretreatment and Fractionation

Approach: Development of low energy pretreatment & fractionation processes with recoverable solvents and chemicals to improve biomass digestibility and separation of components



Solvents system

- Aqueous (Liquid hot water)
- Organic solvent (Organosolv)

Catalysts/Promoters

- Mineral acids v.s. organic acids
- Inorganic v.s. organic bases
- Liquid v.s. solid catalysts

Solvent recycling and process design









EXPECTED RESULTS



Providing innovative technology for conversion of sugarcane trash to biofuel and value-added chemicals.



Improving capacity building of researchers from ASEAN member countries.



Strengthen research collaboration on science and technology between Japan and ASEAN researchers



Publications in international journals.

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