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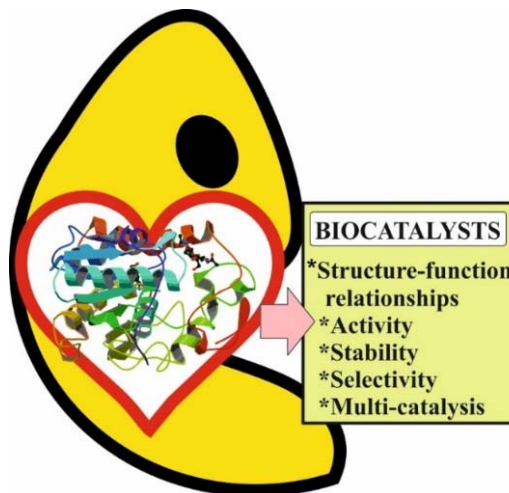
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AIMS: CLEAN CHEMICAL PROCESS IN NON-AQUEOUS MEDIA



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100% Yield

100% Stereoselectivity

- No by-products
- No air emissions
- No wastes
- Full recovery and reuse of biocatalysts, solvents, etc.
- Direct obtention of nearly pure products

➤ **SUPERCRITICAL FLUIDS**

➤ **IONIC LIQUIDS**

Example:

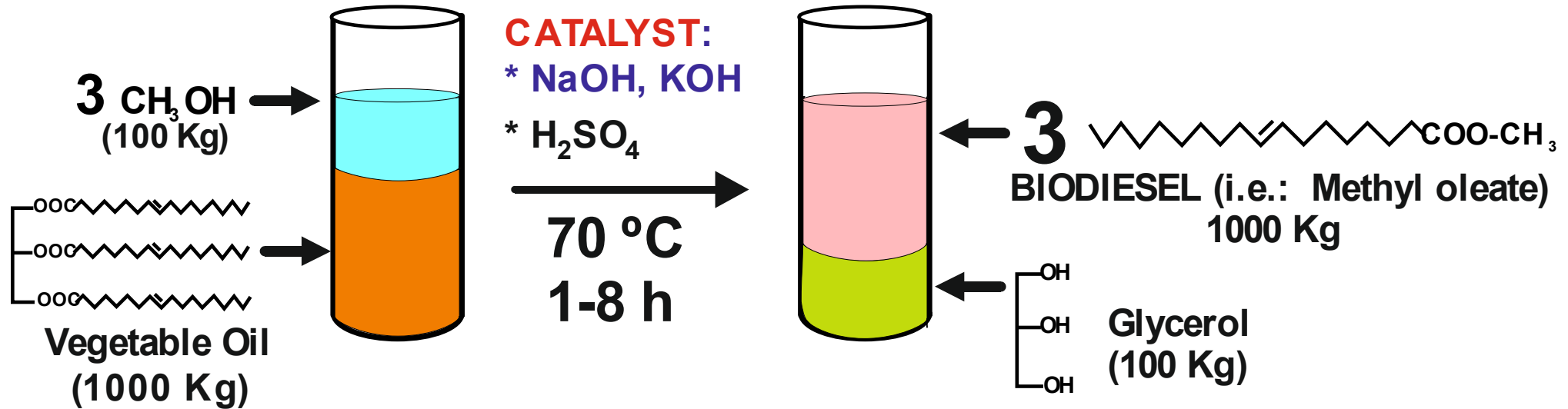
BIOCATALYTIC SYNTHESIS OF BIODIESEL IN IONIC LIQUIDS

A Green Technology for Producing Green Biofuels



THE PRODUCTION OF BIODIESEL

Transesterification reaction



BIPHASIC REACTION MEDIUM

TOO MUCH PROBLEMS!!:

Biphasic systems, Low selectivity, catalyst recovery, water content, soaps, etc.

2. Separation of glycerol: Centrifugation

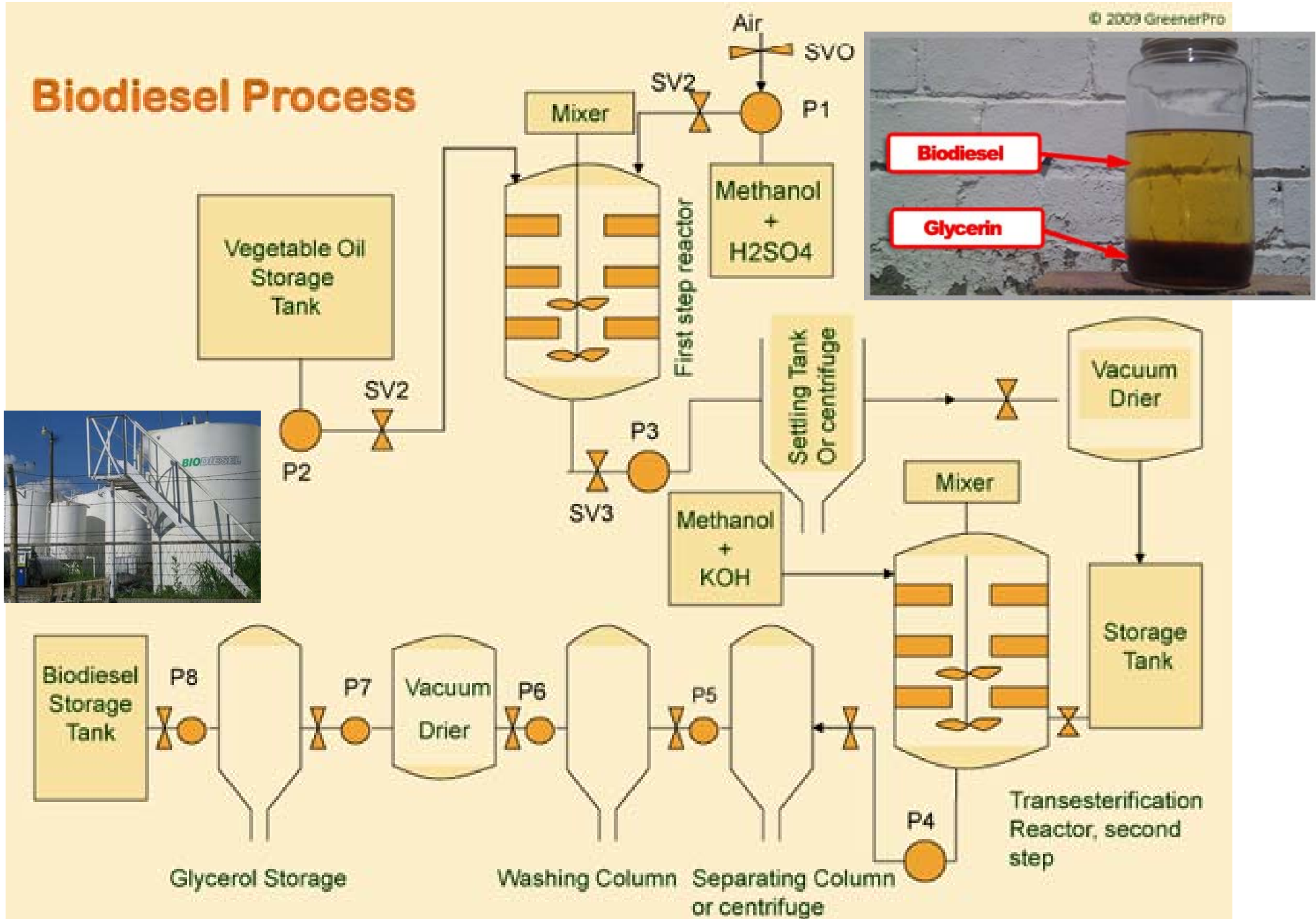
3. Washing of biodiesel with water : **WASTEWATER !!**

4. Drying of biodiesel



The Industrial Production of Biodiesel

Biodiesel Process



THE PRODUCTION OF BIODIESEL

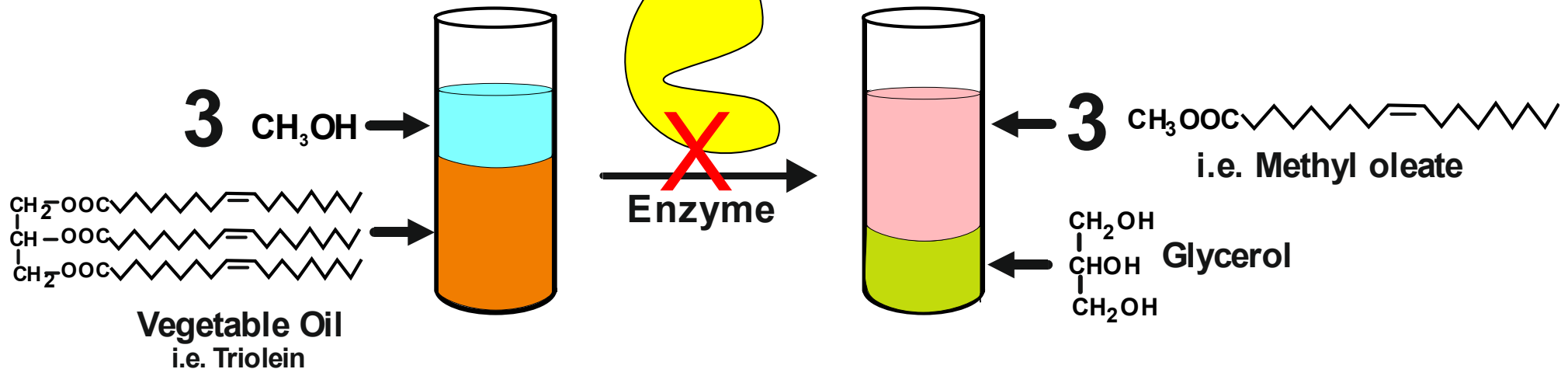
Fatty acid methyl esters (i.e. methyl oleate)

Obtained by transesterification between triacylglycerides and 1-alkanols catalyzed by:

Biocatalysts

**BIPHASIC
REACTION MEDIUM**

- Low activity !!
- Very high reaction selectivity
- Fast enzyme deactivation by MeOH
- No wastewater
- Cost of biocatalysts



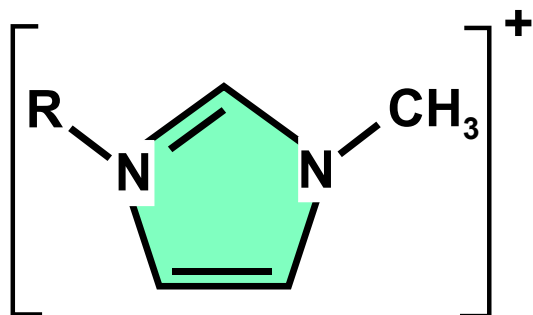
IONIC LIQUIDS: Liquid comprised entirely by IONS

- NON-VOLATILE, Non-flammable, High thermal stability
- Wide temperature range for liquid phase
- Good solvents
- Tunable solvent properties

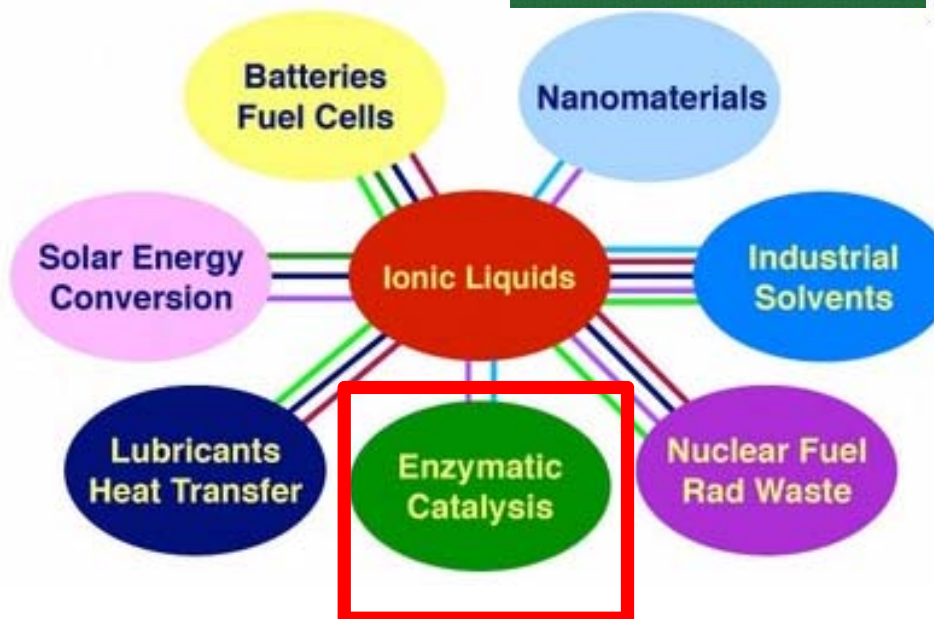
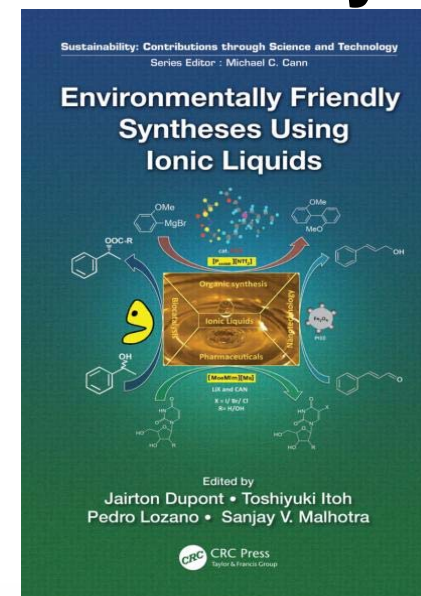
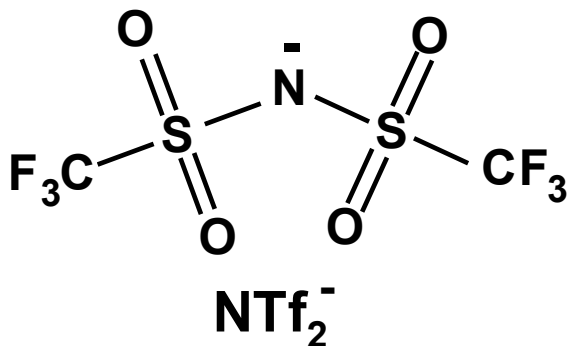
IONIC SOLVENTS vs MOLECULAR SOLVENTS

Example:

Cation



Anion

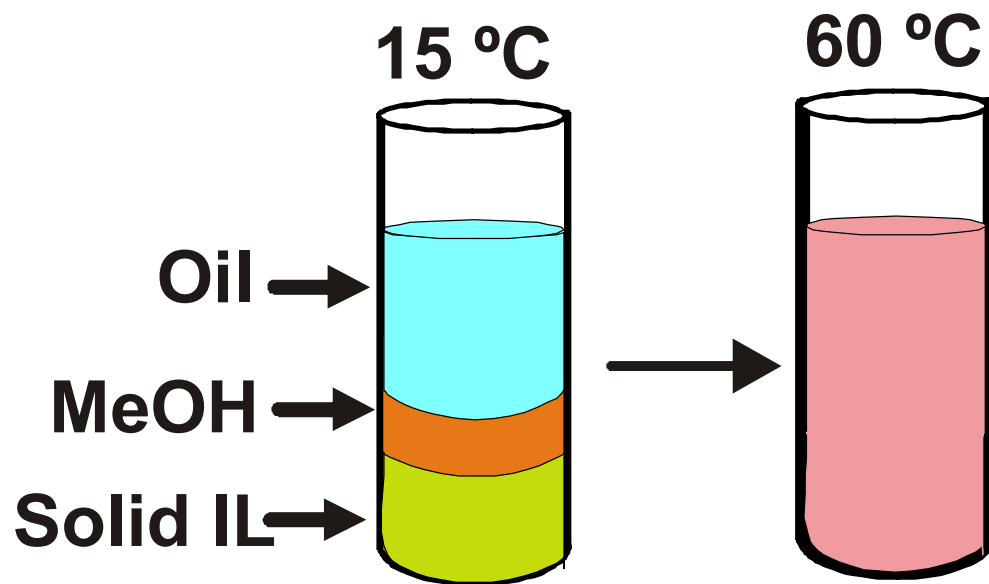
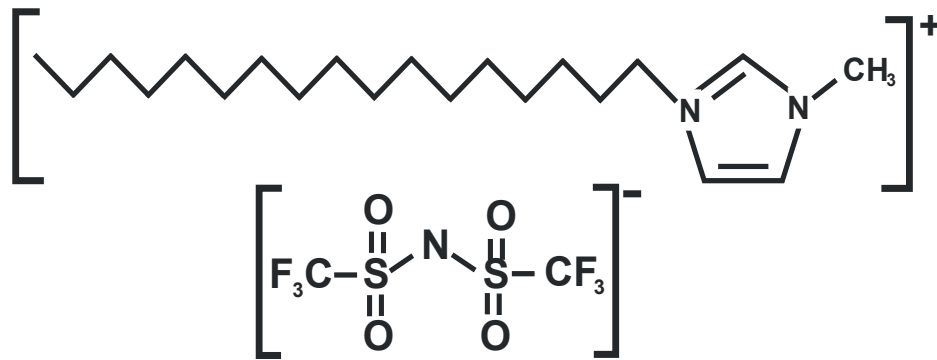


Green Solvents? ⇒ **FULL RECOVERY AND REUSE**

SLILs ABLE TO DISSOLVE VEGETABLE OIL AND MeOH

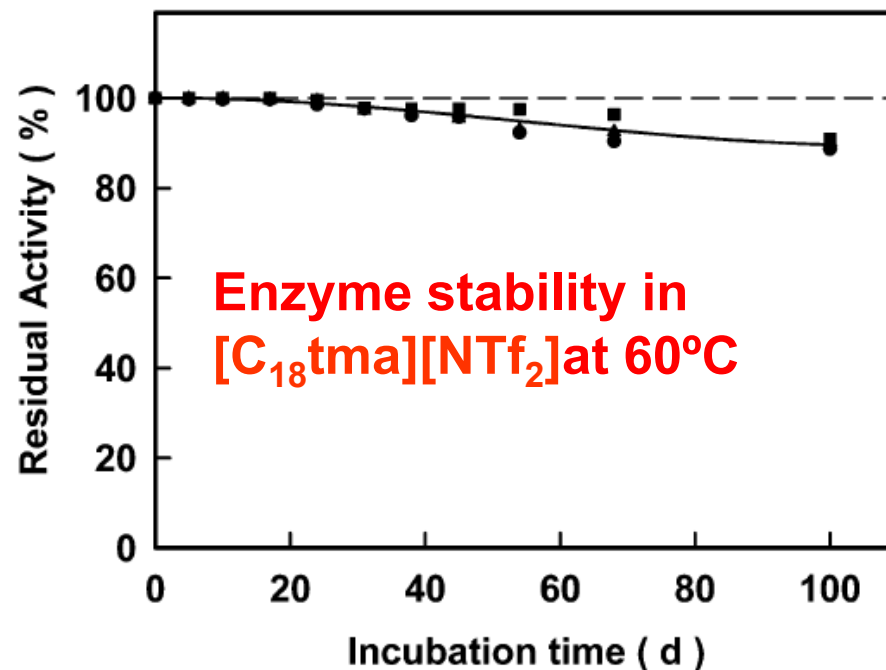
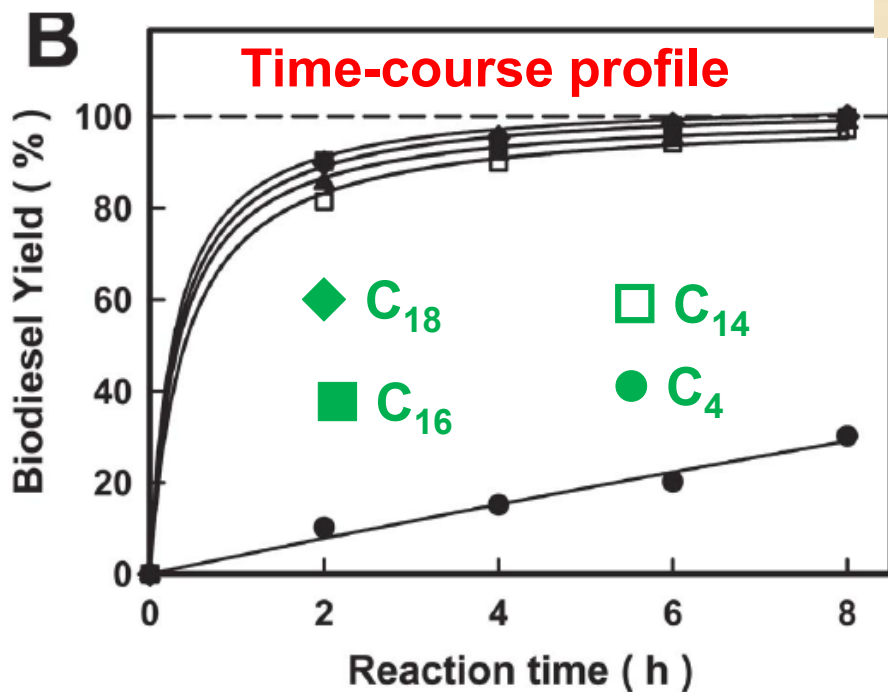
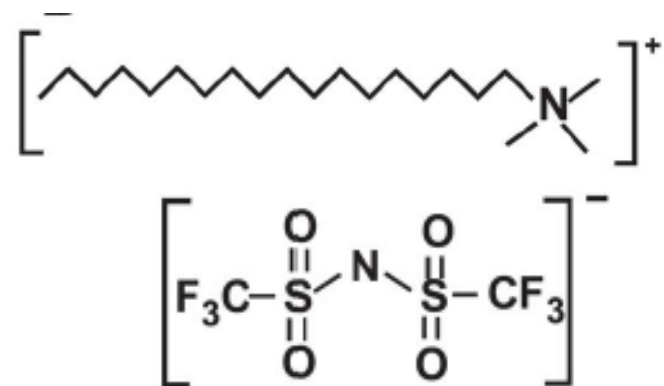
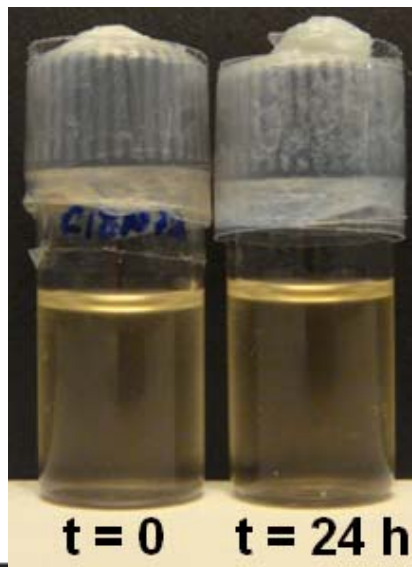
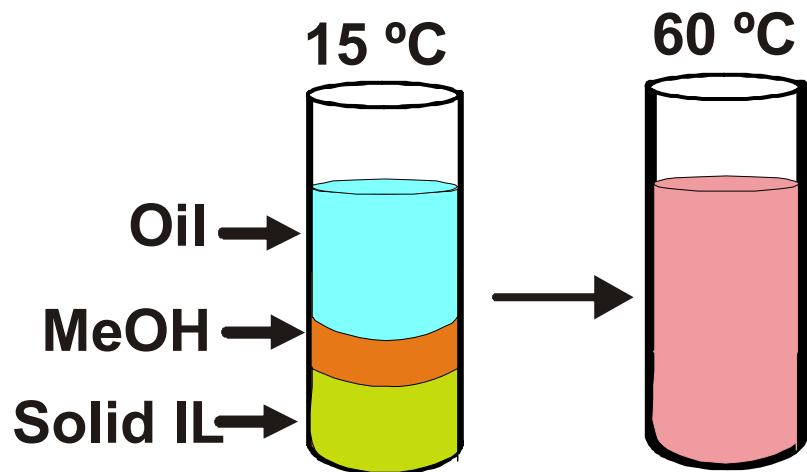
ILs based on large alkyl-side chain in cation

i.e. [C18mim] [NTf₂], [C18tma] [NTf₂],



IL	Melting Point (°C)
[C18mim] [NTf ₂]	53
[C18mim] [PF ₆]	82
[C18mim] [BF ₄]	60
[C16mim] [NTf ₂]	46
[C14mim] [NTf ₂]	33
[C12mim] [NTf ₂]	< 20

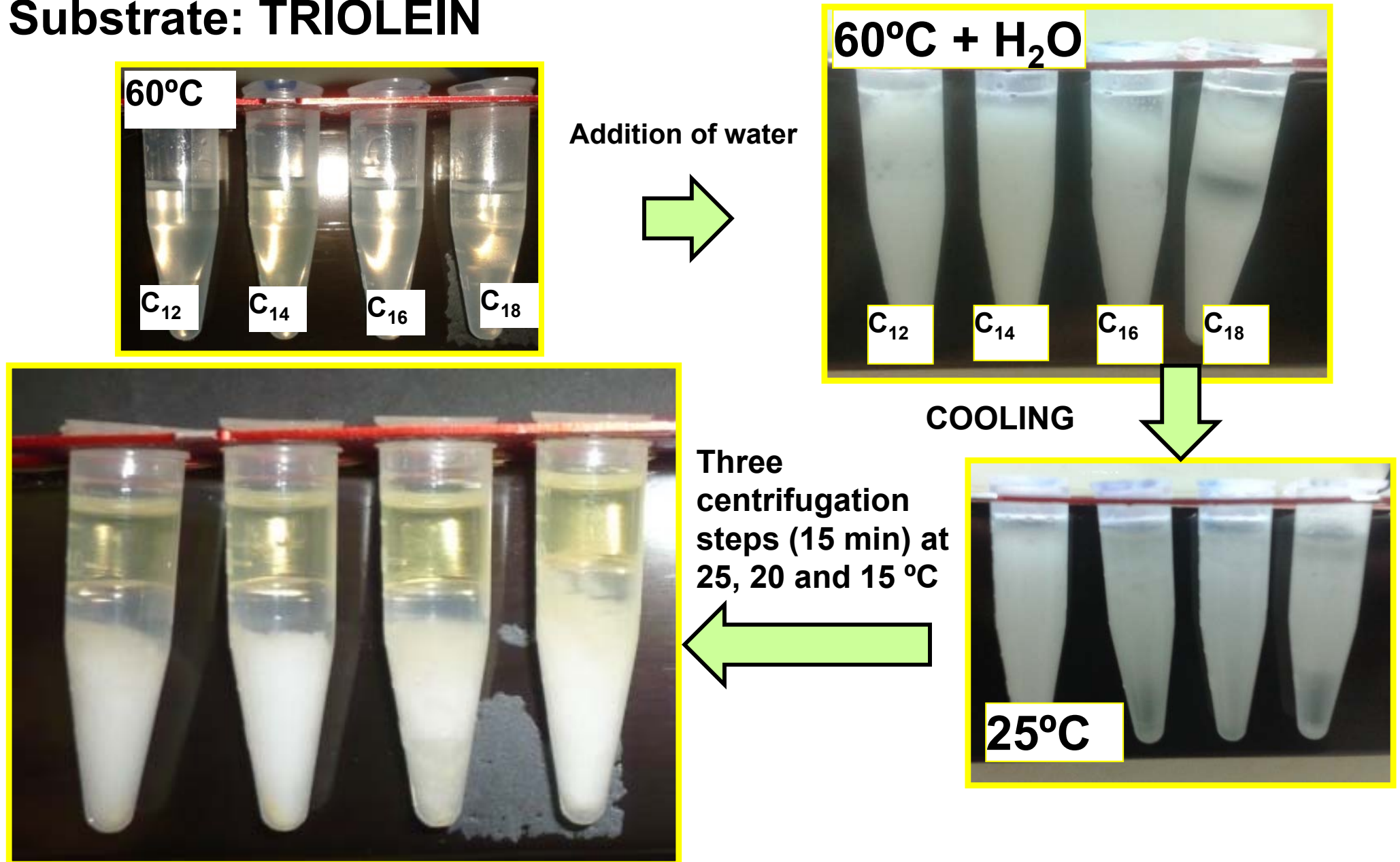
Exp. 1. BIOCATALYTIC SYNTHESIS OF BIODIESEL IN SLILs



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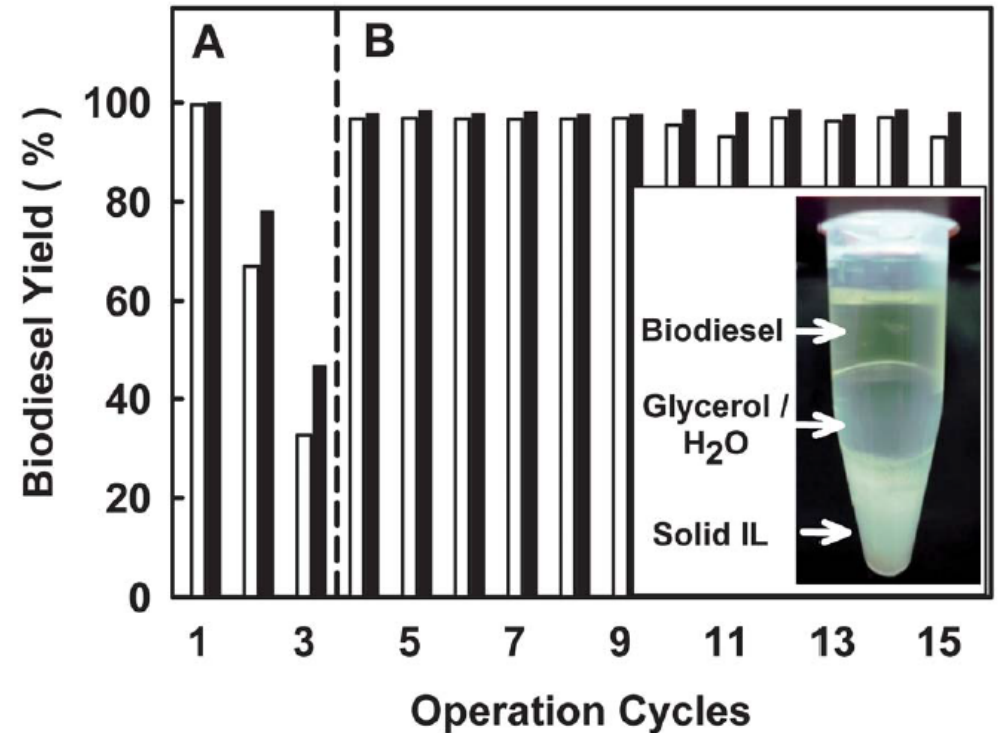
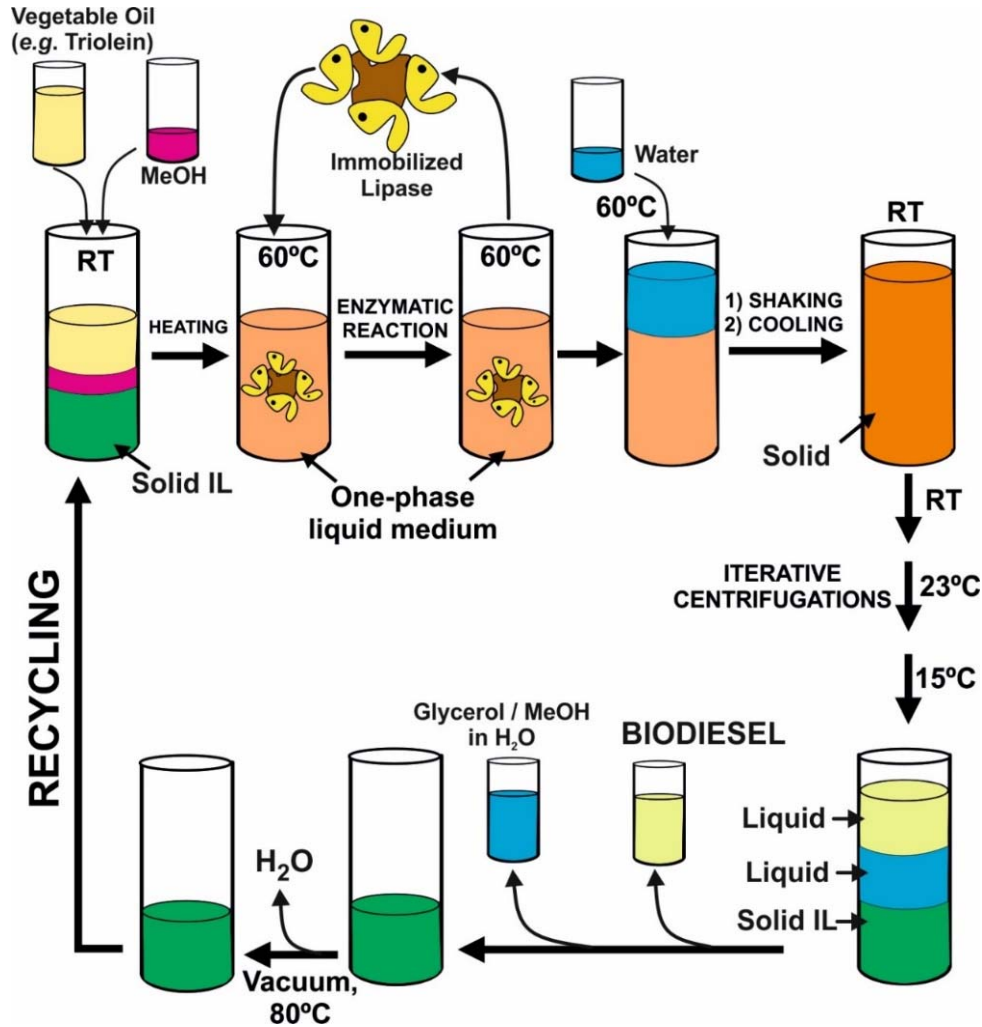
SEPARATION OF BIOFUELS AND GLYCEROL FROM SLILs

Substrate: TRIOLEIN



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RECOVERY AND REUSE OF SLILs

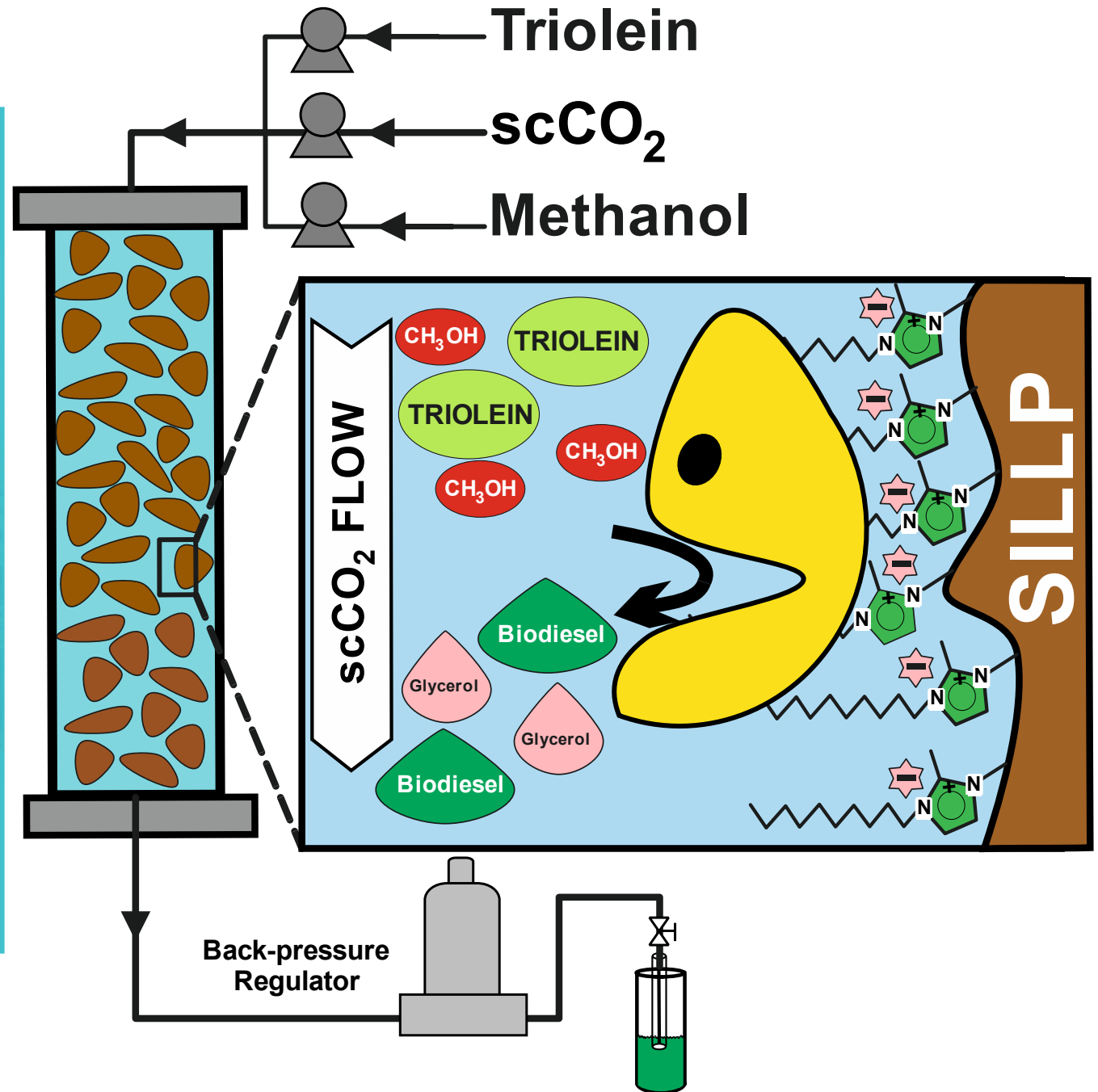


A: No washing biocatalyst particles with *t*-BuOH
 B: WASHING biotatalyst particles with *t*-BuOH

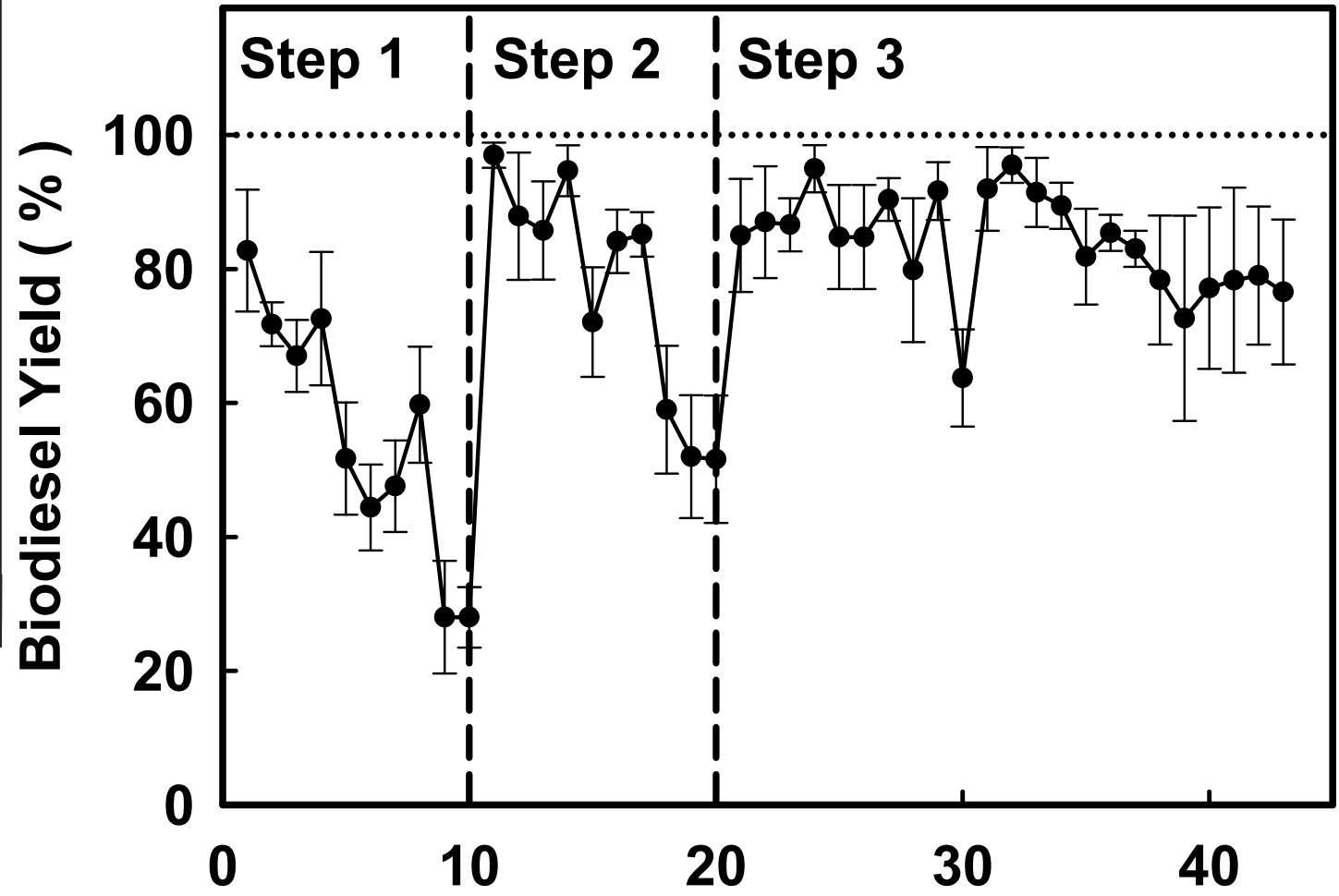
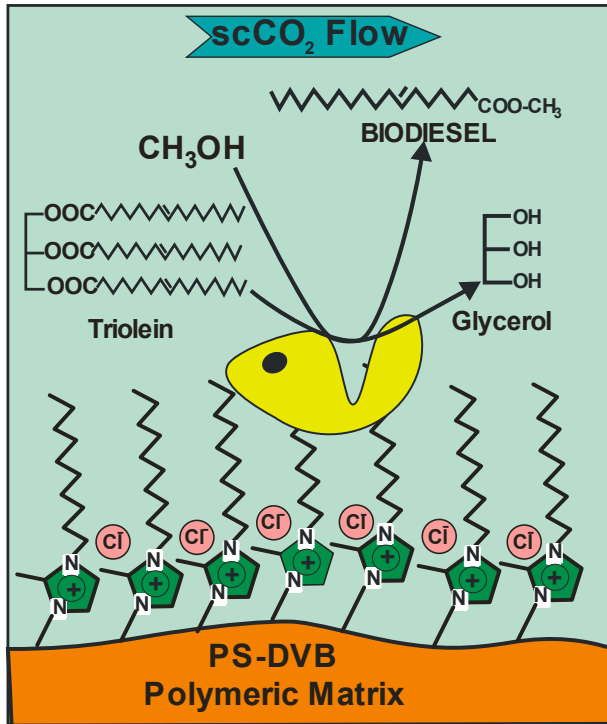
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Exp. 2 BIOREACTOR BASED ON LIPASE - SILLP FOR BIODIESEL SYNTHESIS IN $scCO_2$



Continuous BIODIESEL production by lipase-SILLP in scCO₂



Operation Cycles

Steps 1 and 2: Lipase-SILLPs washed with *t*-BuOH at the end of the step.

Step 3: Continuous feed of *t*-butanol (10.5 mmol/min).



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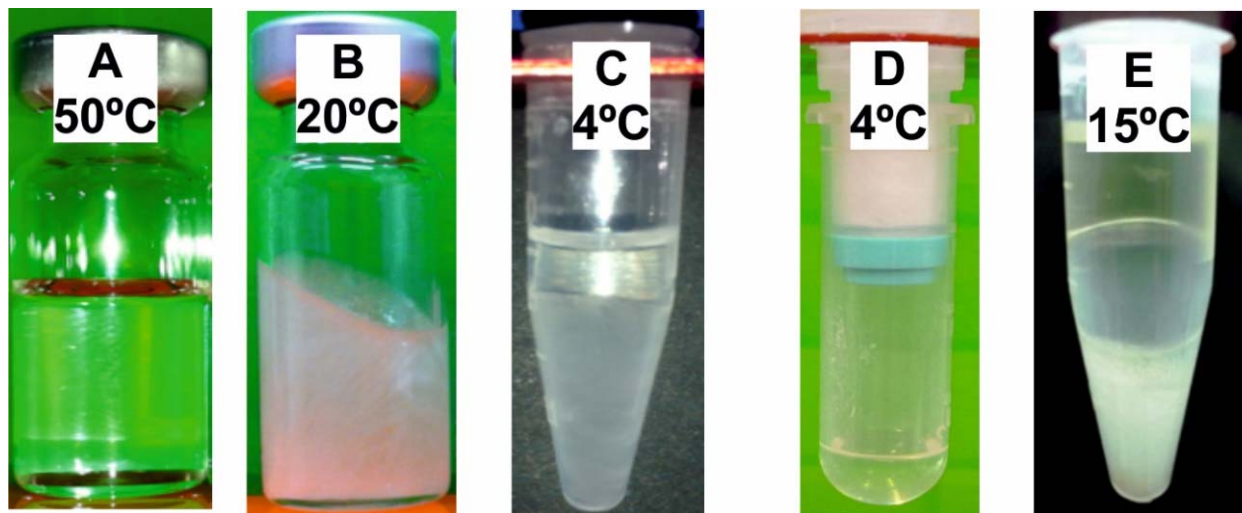
CONCLUSIONS

1. Excellent monophasic reaction media for BIOCATALYSIS

- HIGH ACTIVITY AND OPERATIONAL STABILITY

2 SLILs: Temperature switchable solid/liquid phases

- Easy separation of pure products and SLILs for recovery and reuse



A new clean and sustainable platform for synthesis and separation of pure products is demonstrated. !!



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