

Supplementary material

Table S1. Technical data related to the equipment (base size, base cost, scale factor, number, size and cost)

Processes/ Equipment	Equipment parameter	Units	Base Size	Base value (\$)	Base year	Exponent	Design Size	No.	Cost in 2018 (\$/unit)
<i>Feedstock preparation</i>									
Belt conveyor ¹	Length	m	30						
	Width	cm	61	70,000	2009	0.8	30	1	76,000
	Power	W/kg/s	720						
Grinder ¹	Throughput	t/h	28	302,000	2000	0.6	21	1	364,000
Bucket elevator ²	Throughput	t/h					10	1	18,000
Storage ²	Volume	m ³	20,000	3,500,000	2009	0.6	1,750	2	879,000
<i>Liquefaction and saccharification</i>									
Screw conveyor ²	Diameter	cm	35						
	Length	m	30	20,000	2009	0.8	30	2	22,000
	Specific Power	W/((m ³ /s) m)	10,800						
Jet cooker ⁴	Volume	m ³	5	100,000	2016	0.6	7.2	1	130,000
Heat exchanger ³	Area	m ²	80.12	8,349	2002	0.6	60	1	81,000
Saccharification tank ⁴	Volume	m ³	400	500,000	2016	0.6	675	7	713,000
<i>Fermentation</i>									
Heat exchanger ³	Area	m ²	22	85000	2010	0.7	33.5	2	117,000
Seed fermenter ²	Volume	m ³	900	300,000	2008	0.5	41	3	63,000
							206	3	141,000
Fermentation tank ²	Volume	m ³	3,256	837,000	2015	0.6	4,030	3	966,000
Storage tank ²	Volume	m ³	2,325	165,800	1997	0.5	1,260	2	177,000

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<i>Product separation and recovery</i>									
Neutralization tank ²	Volume	m ³	446.7	236,000	2009	0.7	318	1	201,000
Gypsum removal filter ⁴	Filter area	m ²					400	1	520,000
Dryer ³	Area	m ²	80.12	8,349	2002	0.6	890	1	51,000
Distillation column ⁴	Volume	m ³					213.3	3	641,000
Distillation column ⁴	Volume	m ³					110	2	364,000
Esterification reactor ²	Volume	m ³	3,256	837,000	2015	0.6	39.5	3	60,000
Hydrolysis reactor ²	Volume	m ³	3,256	837,000	2015	0.6	36	2	57,000
<i>Stillage utilization</i>									
Centrifuge ⁴	Throughput	m ³ /hr.			2018		42.2	1	234,000
Rotary dryer ⁴	Area	m ²					567	1	39,000
Thin film evaporator ⁴	Area	m ²			2018		22	1	439,000

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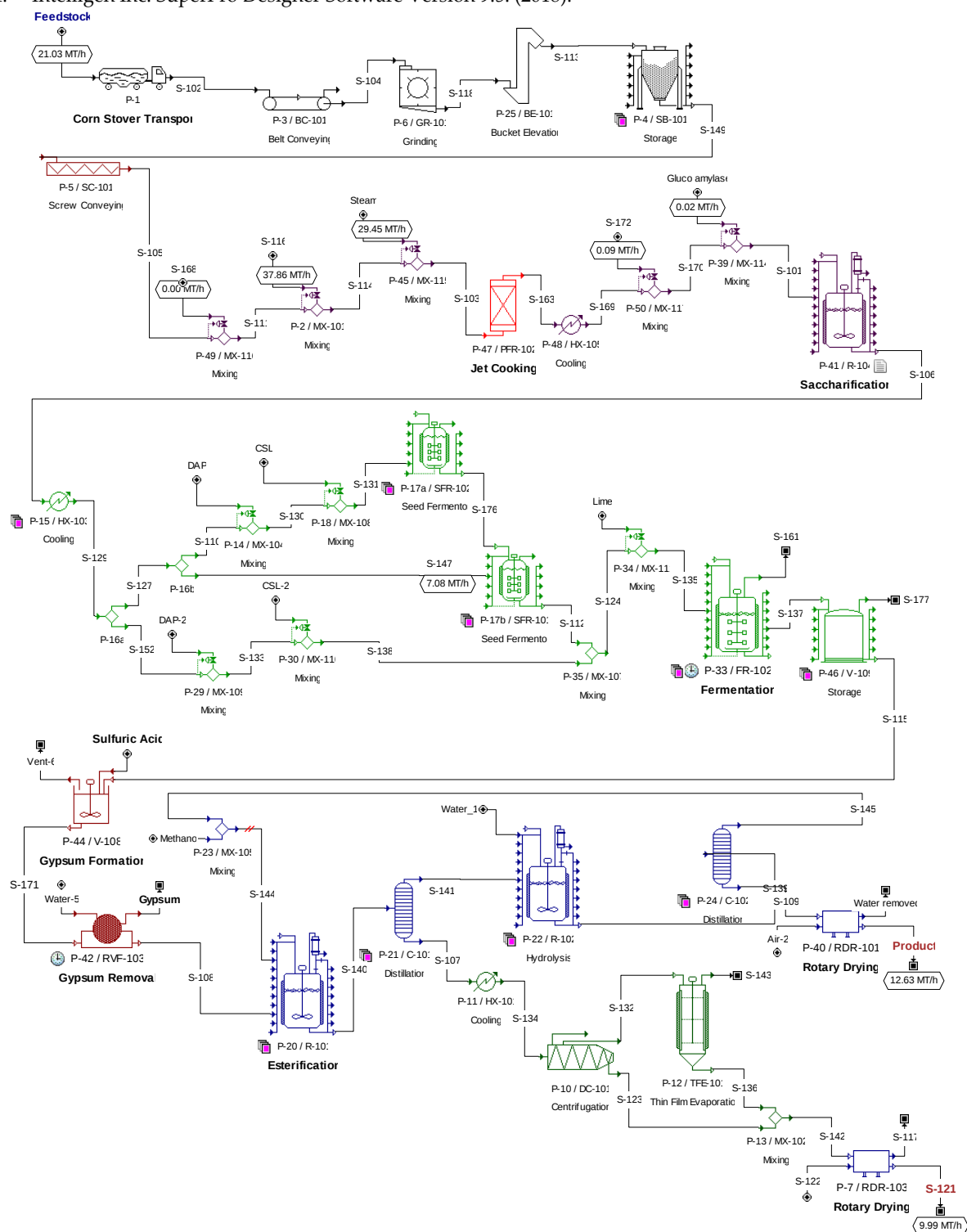


Fig S1. Detailed process flow of the processes (obtained from the SuperPro Designer software)