

Special Issue

Microalgal Bioprocess and Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editors

Microalgae are promising feedstock for fuel and biochemicals. Sustainability is an important element that needs to be considered while developing production systems aimed at providing future bioproducts. While microalgal production systems are extensively studied, it is believed that further efforts are needed in order to improve the sustainability of the bioprocess. The aim of this issue is to gather studies that could potentially contribute to the development of truly sustainable microalgal bioprocesses. We find the following research areas to be suitable for this issue that could contribute to improve the sustainability of microalgal bioprocesses:

- Improving biomass/biocomponent productivity;
- Development of biorefinery concepts;
- Better valorization of side stream products or residual wastes;
- Utilization of waste stream nutrients;
- Development of cost-effective downstream processes such as biomass harvesting, cell disruption and compound extraction.

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