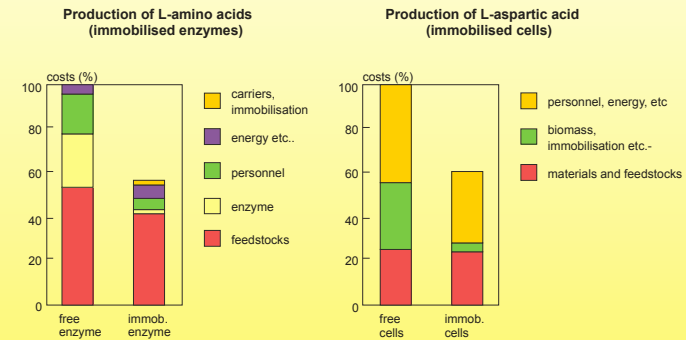


Immobilised Catalysts: Production and Application in Industry

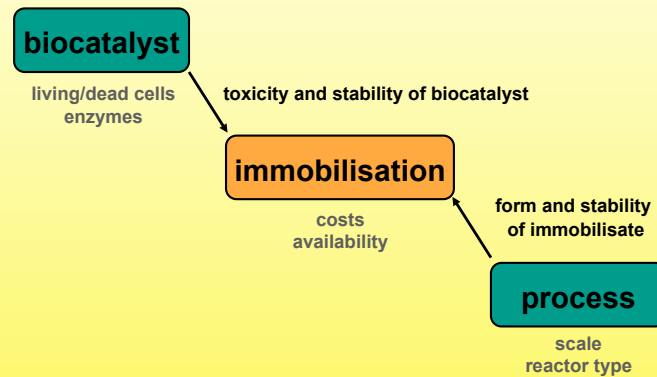
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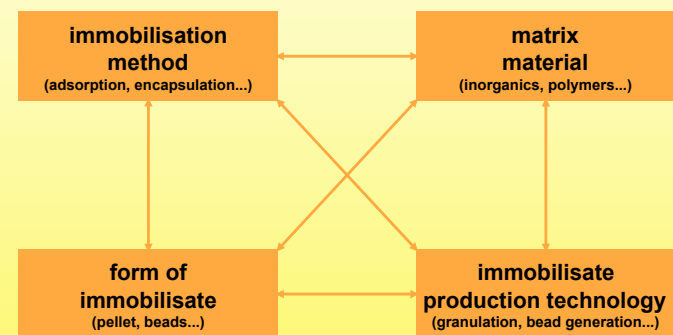
Immobilised Biocatalysts Cost comparison



Immobilisation of Biocatalysts

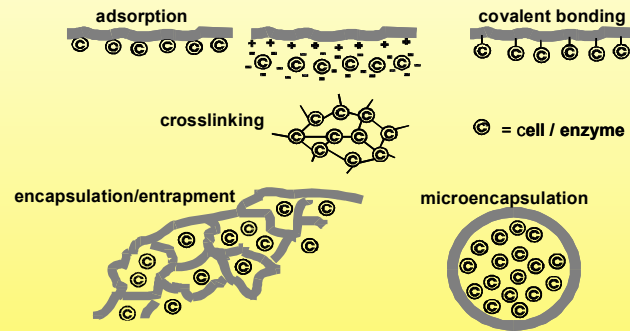


Immobilisation of Biocatalysts Interactions in immobilisation procedure



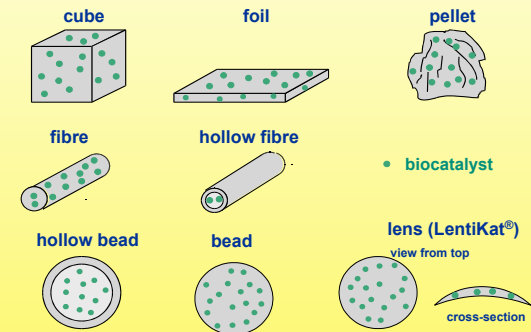
Immobilisation Methods

Overview



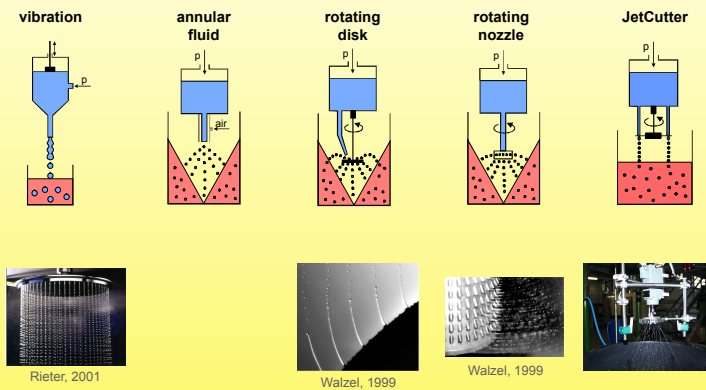
Forms of Encapsulated Biocatalysts

Overview



Bead Production Technologies

Industrial-scale technologies



Materials

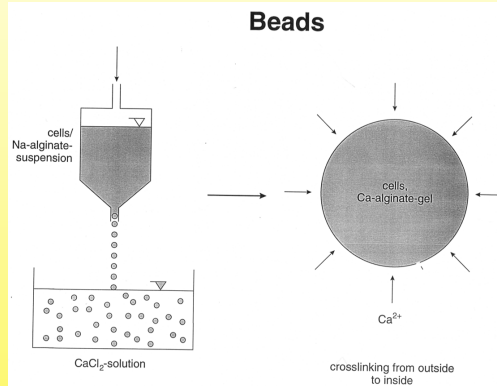
Ionotropic gels

Ionotrope Gele

Polyanionen	Gegenionen
Alginate	Ca^{2+} , Al^{3+} , Zn^{2+} , Co^{2+} , Ba^{2+} , Fe^{2+} , Fe^{3+} , ...
Pectinat	Ca^{2+} , Al^{3+} , Zn^{2+} , Co^{2+} , ... and Mg^{2+}
f-COO^- Carboxymethylcellulose	Ca^{2+} , Al^{3+} , ...
Carboxy-Guargum	Ca^{2+} , Al^{3+} , ...
Styrol/Maleinsäure	Al^{3+} , ...
f-PO_3^{2-} Phospho-Guargum	Ca^{2+} , Al^{3+} , ...
Carrageenan	K^+ , Ca^{2+} , ...
f-SO_3^- Furocellaran	K^+ , Ca^{2+} , ...
Cellulosesulfat	K^+

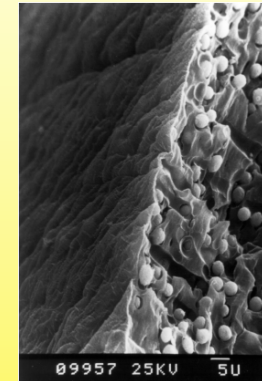
Ionotropic Gels

Bead formation



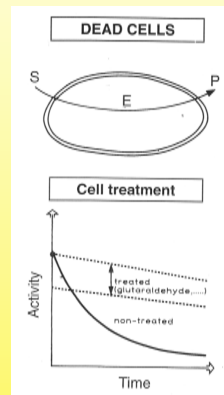
Ionotropic Gels

SEM of Ca-alginate bead



Bioconversion

Dead cells



Immobilisation in Industry

L-malic acid production

Comparison of Productivity of L-Malic Acid by Various Immobilized Preparations

Cell and Immob. Method	Operation Temperature [°C]	Fumarase Activity [μmol/h/ml of gel]	Operational Stability [Half-life; days]	Relative Productivity [%]
<i>B. ammoniagenes</i> Polyacrylamide	37	530	53	100
<i>B. flavum</i> Polyacrylamide	37	610	94	273
Carrageenan	37	900	160	897
Carrageenan + Polyethylenimine	-37	980	243	1587
"	45	1420	165	2073
"	50	1670	128	1992
"	55	2160	74	1730

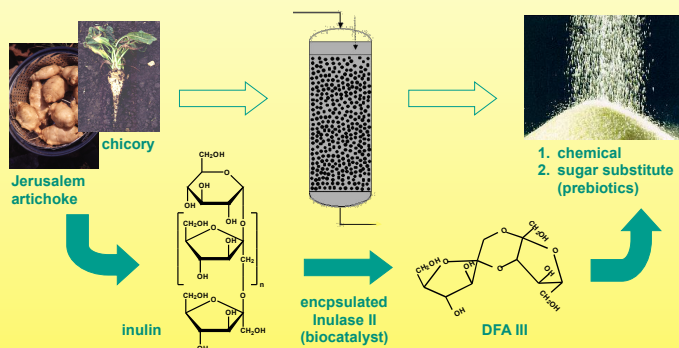
Yamamoto et al. 1976

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Pilot-scale processes – DFA III



encapsulated enzyme for the production of DFA III from inulin



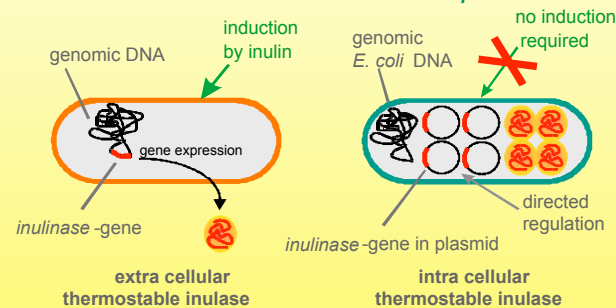
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DFA III - genetic engineering



Arthrobacter Bu0141

E. coli pMSiftPH

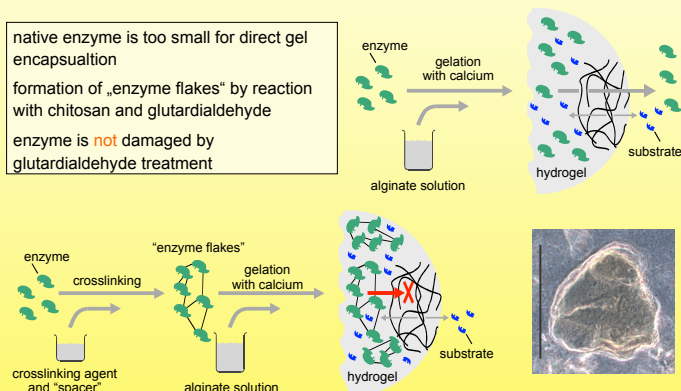


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Pilot-scale processes – DFA III

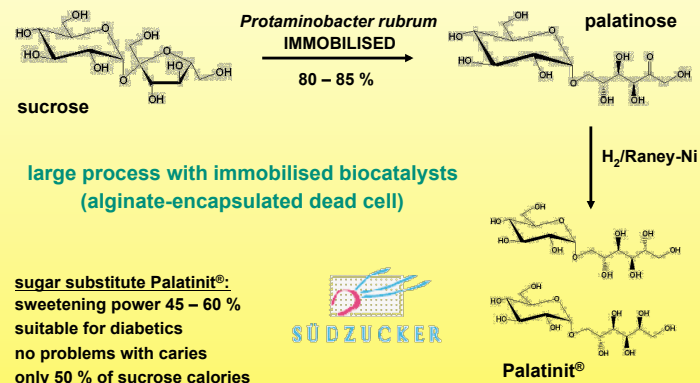


native enzyme is too small for direct gel encapsulation
formation of „enzyme flakes“ by reaction with chitosan and glutardialdehyde
enzyme is **not** damaged by glutardialdehyde treatment



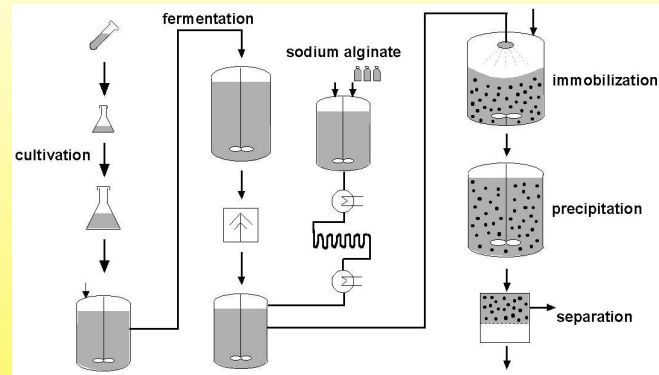
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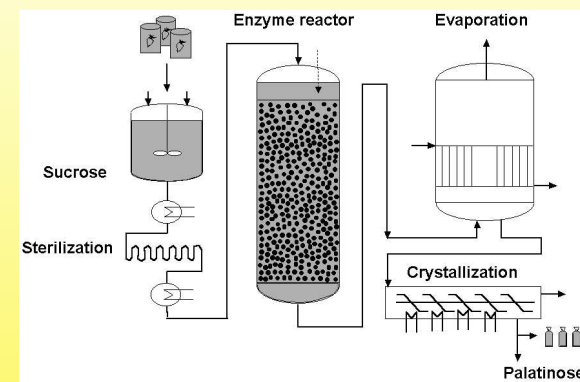
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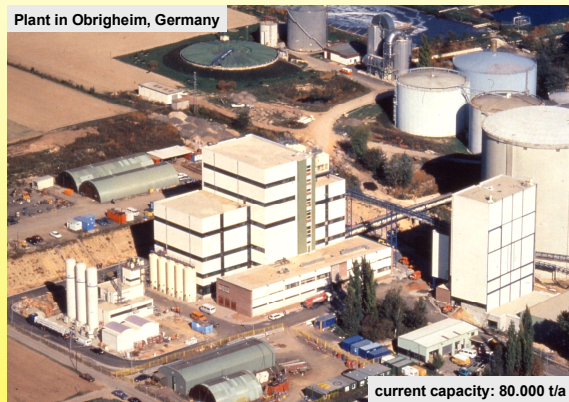
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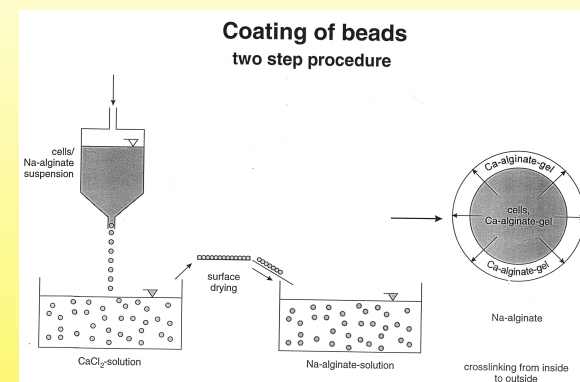


Plant in Obrigheim, Germany

current capacity: 80.000 t/a

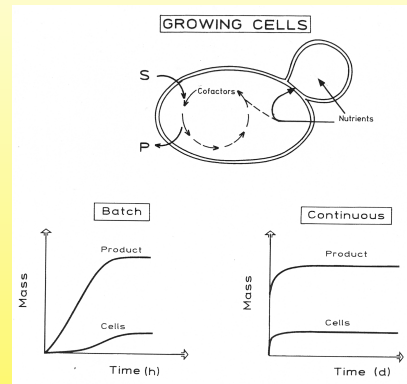
Ionotropic Gels

Coated beads

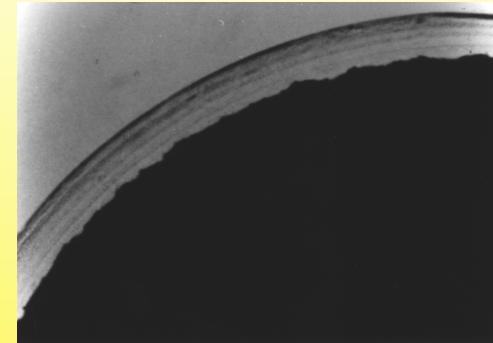


Bioconversion

Growing cells

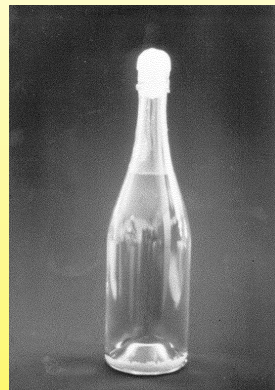


Coated Ca-Alginate Bead



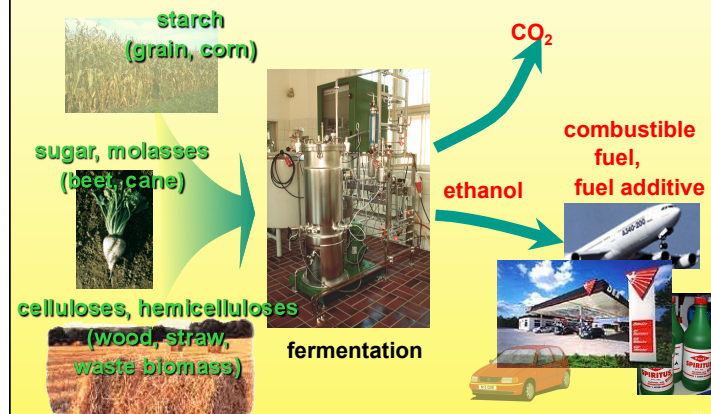
Champagne Production

Coated Ca-alginate beads



Immobilisation in Industry

Bioethanol



Ethanol-Fermentation: Pilot Plant

Immobilised cells, continuous, 3-stage

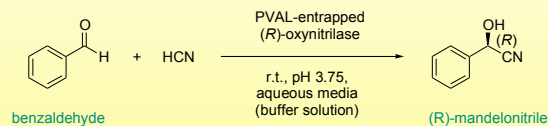
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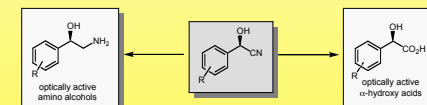
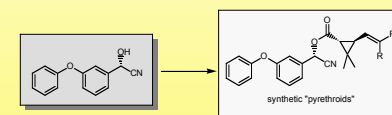
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Pilot-scale processes – chiral nitriles

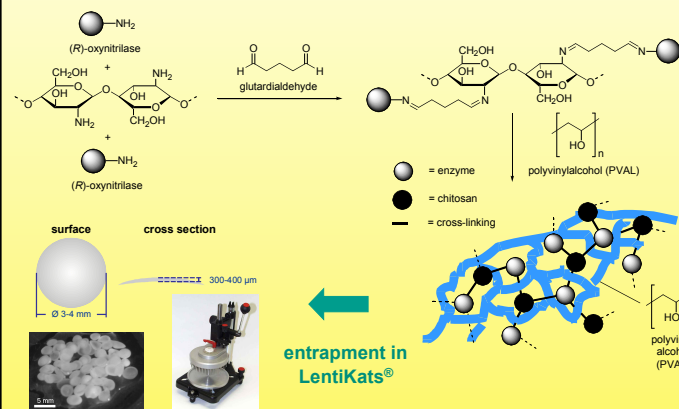


applications for chiral nitriles:
building-block for agrochemicals
and pharmaceuticals



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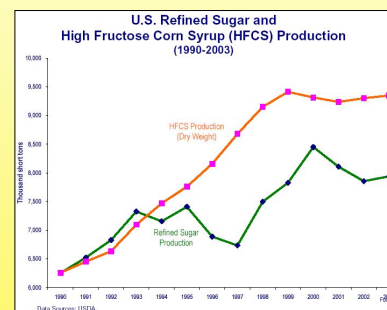


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Industrial processes - HFCS

HFCS = High Fructose Corn Syrup

worldwide largest process
with immobilised biocatalysts



glucose isomerase,
crosslinked with
glutaraldehyde

worldwide production
of HFCS:

1996: 10 Mio t/a
1998: 11 Mio t/a
2001: 11.6 Mio t/a

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Bioethanol: free and immobilised yeast?

process cell type:	conventional batch process free cells	Melle Boinet (Brazil) cell recycling	Kansai Paint (Japan) continuous process immobilized cells
<i>Saccharomyces ssp.</i>	industrial	industrial	technical scale
cell conc. [g/L]	3 - 5	9.6	40
ethanol conc. [g/L]	100 - 110	55 - 80	85
yield [%]	85 - 86	85 - 86	89 - 90
productivity [kg EtOH/(m ³ ·h)]	1.3 - 1.5	1.38	10 - 12

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Ethanol pilot plant

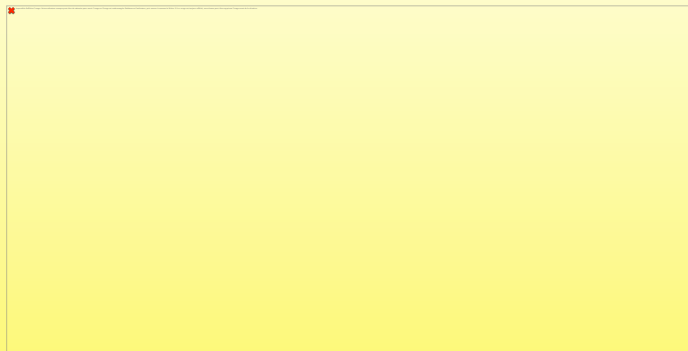
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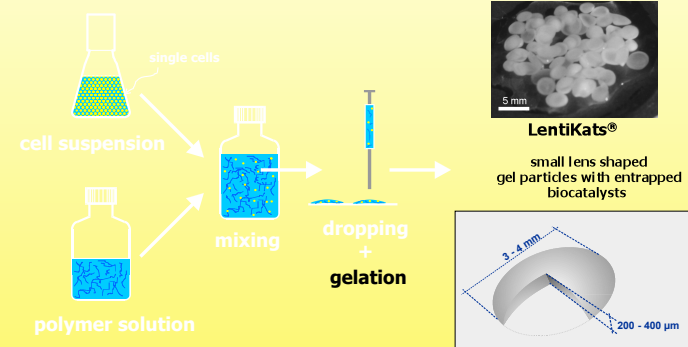
Ethanol pilot plant: long-term behaviour



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Immobilisation in LentiKats®

Principle

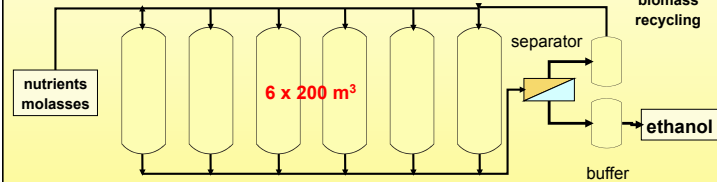


Ethanol Fermentation: Production Plant

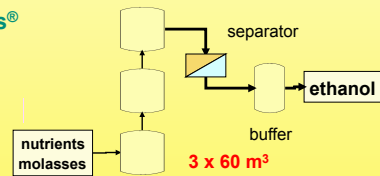
Conventional or LentiKats® (immobilised cells)



conventional fermentation



process design with LentiKats®



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