

## Review of: "Techno-Economic Fermentative Microbe-Based Industrial Production of Lactic Acid (LA): Potential Future Prospects and Constraints"

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The PDF file has been corrected using annotations. In addition, see comments below

- 1. Figures were copied and pasted without relevant references included.
- 2. Many sentences were not connected in the paragraphs. Most of the sentences were just copied and pasted from literature to make up the paragraphs. There were no flow of information as a result of this.
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- 4. Many symbols were used without adequately defining them before the abbreviations.
- 5. Many chemical formulas were not properly written.
- 6. Many units were not properly written.
- 7. The production step from bioreactor through downstream processing to lactic acid must be elaborate enough. Insert the downstream processing steps to lactic acid.
- 8. Tables should be constructed with standard table formats for journal articles.
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