

Review of: "Valorization of palm oil wastes into oyster mushrooms (Pleurotus HK-37) and biogas production"

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- 1. The title of the article completely justifies the content
- 2. It is well written and the content is systemically presented for through understanding of the readers.
- 3. The results are strengthened well with literature.
- 4. The article presents the most economic method of conversion of palm oil wastes to energy as
- a. Oyster mushrooms cultivation on Palm Oil Wastes enhances biogas production skipping the process of physical and chemical pre-treatment necessary to prepare such a lignocellulogic biomass for biogas production through biochemical process like anaerobic digestion.
- b. Pre-treatment is an expensive process necessary to hydrolyze high lignin based biomaterials.
- c. Bio-fertilizer, a by-product of spent mushroom substrate (Palm Oil Wastes) generated as a waste at the end of biogas production through anaerobic digestion route adds another feather to the circular economy.
- 5. Although the authors have not gone in detail about economic analysis, but they need to mentioned about bio-fertilizer as a part of the circular economy for the complete Valorization of palm oil wastes.

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