

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

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Comments to Authors:

Overall, this is a nice study provides information on the limitations and the solutions for industrial lactic acid production. The study also explores pretreatment, scarification, and fermentation techniques for industrial and lab-scale lactic acid production. In addition this study encapsulates the sugarcane bagasse-derived lactic acid processing, highlighting the potential of 2G lactic acid in expanding sugar industries and bio-based fuel production.

Before publication, there are some things that need to be addressed as follows:

- 1. The English needs to be further polished.
- 2. Some sentences is very long and need re-write. e.g. (LA is crucial for producingpharmaceutical, food, and biomedical industries [10].
- 3. Some of the abbreviations need clarification in the text to make them easier for the reader. (authors can keep the table of abbreviations as it is also.)
- 4. Figure 1 is in low resolution; please replace with good resolution images.
- 5. Tables are very long and difficult to follow.
- Conclusions are statements of observations more than conclusions based upon those observations. Conclusions need some improvement.
- 7. There should also be a critical analysis of the work done by others and should have a section devoted to the missing areas that have not been addressed by others as areas for future work.
- 8. The following papers may help the review. Please cite
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