



CASTILLA-LA MANCHA BIO-ECONOMY REGION PLANT INVESTMENT MODEL IN BIOECONOMY

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The CLAMBER Project was managed and developed by the Forest, Food and Agriculture Research Institute of Castilla-La Mancha (IRIAF).

- **The aim of IRIAF:**

Foster research, development and transfer of knowledge of the Agriculture, Livestock, Forest and Environmental Industry.

- **Associated centres:**

- ✓ IVICAM: Grapevine and Wine Research Centre
- ✓ CIAPA: Apicultural and Agro-Environmental Research Centre
- ✓ CIAG: Agriculture and Environmental Research Centre “El Chaparrillo”
- ✓ CIAF: Forest and Agriculture Research Centre
- ✓ CERSYRA: Animal Selection and Reproduction Research Centre
- ✓ CIGAF: Livestock and Forest Research Centre “Dehesón del Encinar”
- ✓ EVE: Station for Viticulture and Oenology
- ✓ CLaMber R&D Biorefinery: Castilla-La Mancha Bio-Economy Region

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European Challenge: Demonstrative Scale



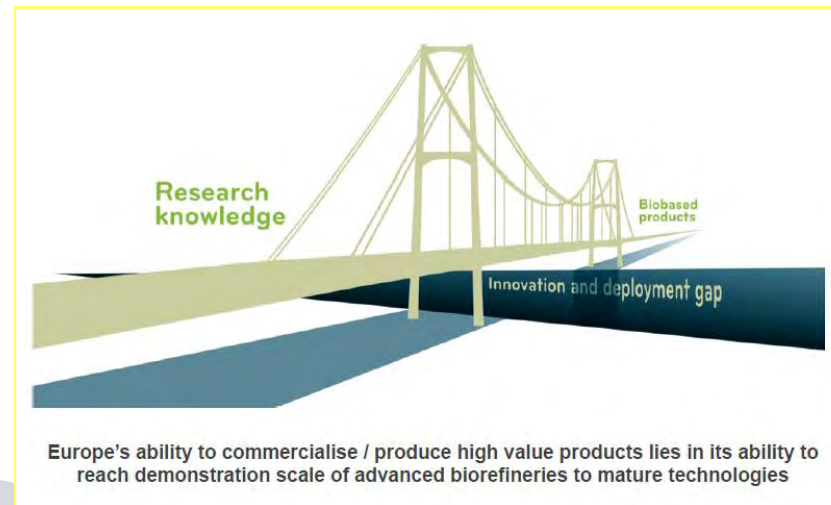
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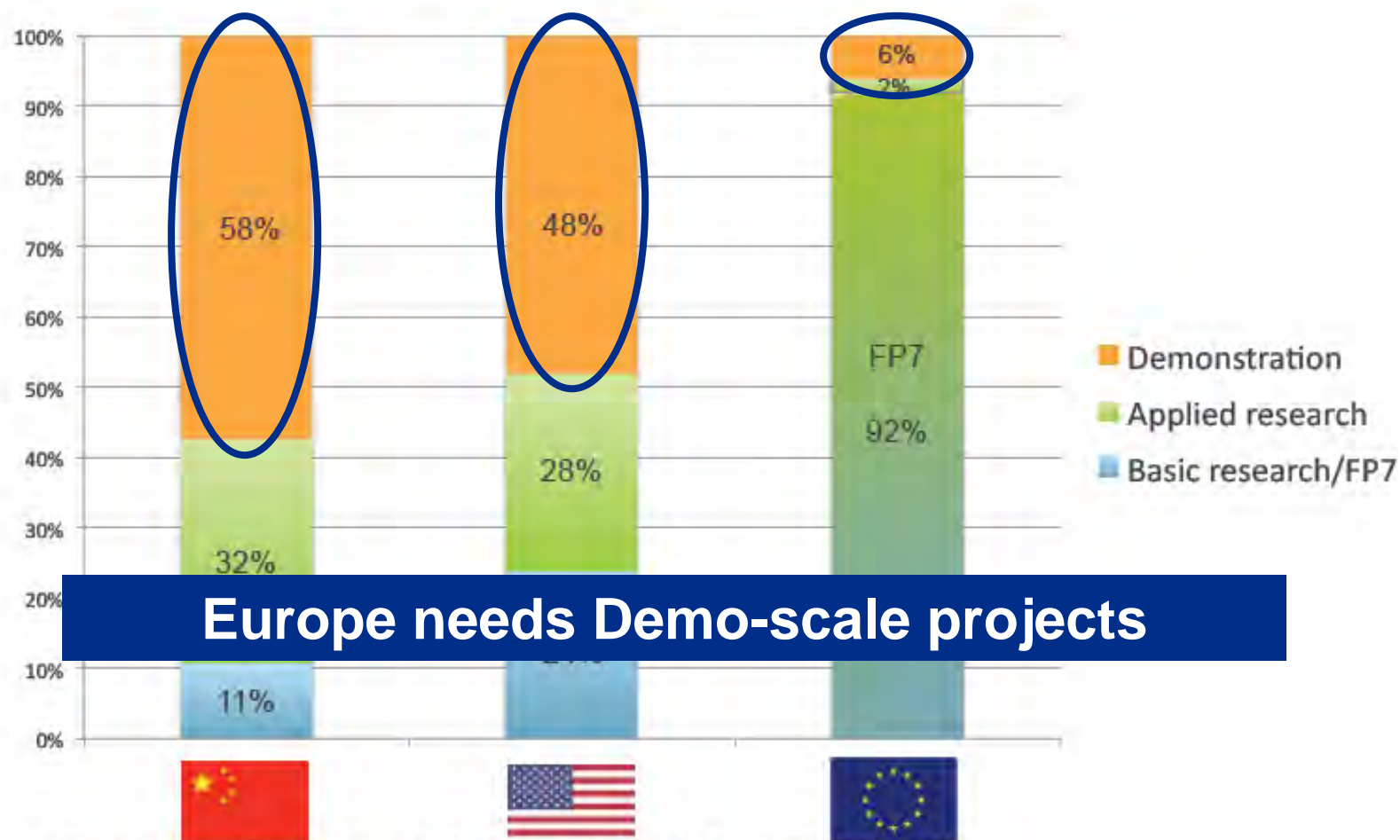
Biorefinery at
demonstrative scale



Biorefinery at industrial
scale



International benchmark on the share of basic, applied and development activities



Europe needs Demo-scale projects

Source: Key Science and Engineering Indicators, National Scientific Board, 2010 Digest, NSF, <http://cordis.europa.eu/erawatch>, OECD "Research & Development Statistics"

PLACING CASTILLA-LA MANCHA IN THE CENTER OF THE NEW EUROPEAN STRATEGY FOR BIOECONOMY



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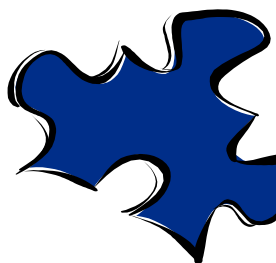
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4 M€



16 M€



CLaMber

20 M€

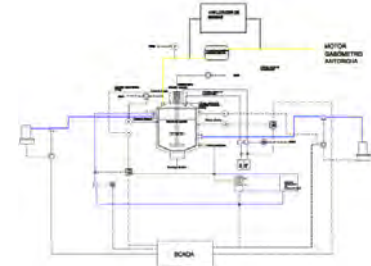
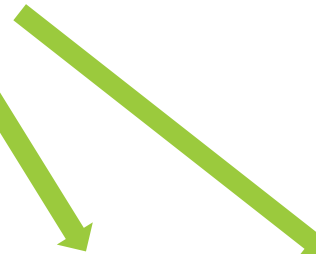
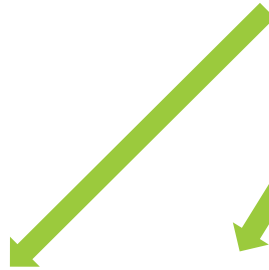
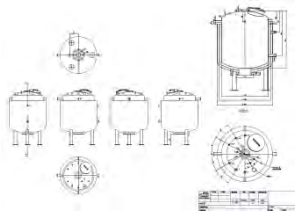
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Specific objectives:

- Create a technologically advanced biorefinery pilot plant that allows the research on production of innovative bioproducts.
- Create a technology hub in the region to enable synergies with both companies producing biomass and bioproducts users and encourage the creation and exploitation of new market niches.
- Revitalize the local economy and reverse the negative demographics that characterizes rural areas.
- Create a efficient public-private cooperation system in order to increase scientific and technological progress and to stimulate European and international research initiatives.

First action involved in the CLaMber Project

CONSTRUCTION OF A DEMONSTRATION SCALE BIOREFINERY



INTEGRAL

MODULAR

FLEXIBLE

INNOVATIVE

**1 t dry material
per day**



**PROCESS OPTIMIZATION, DEVELOPMENT OF
NEW BIOPRODUCTS, SCALE-UP
EXPERIMENTS, COST REDUCTION, ETC.**

SERVICES:

- RENTAL OF FACILITIES
- PROCUREMENT OF R&D PROJECTS
- PARTNER FOR COMPETITIVE FUNDINGS (RTO)
- TRAINING IN BIOTECHNOLOGY

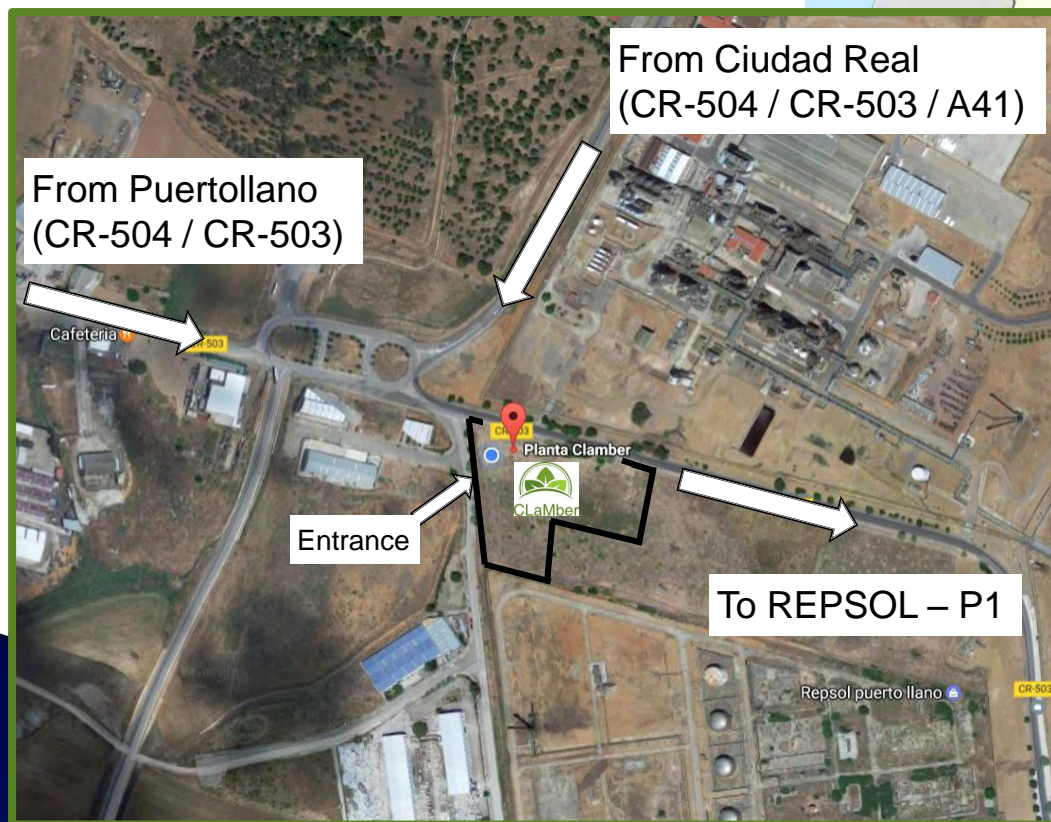
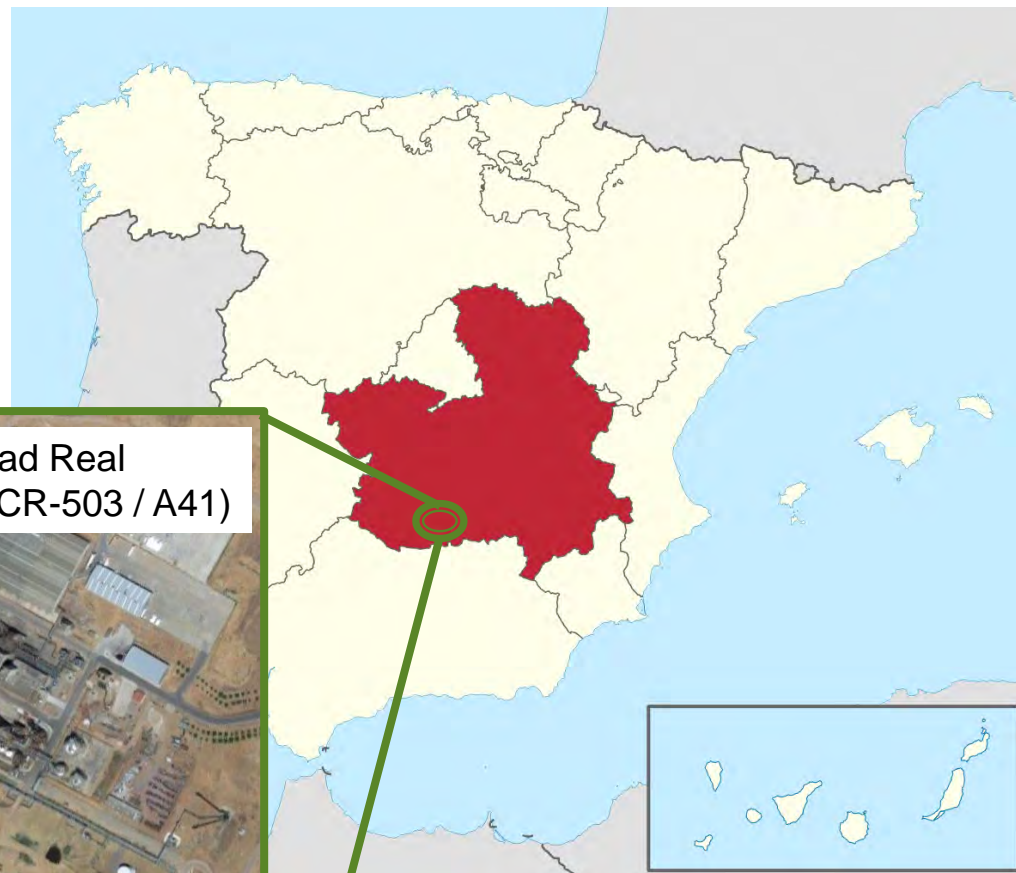
Where is CLaMber R&D Biorefinery?

▪ Location CLaMber R&D Biorefinery:

Aragonesas Industrial Estate
Calzada de Calatrava Road (CR-503)
13500 (Puertollano, Ciudad Real)

▪ Coordinates:

38°40'43.8"N 4°03'58.7"W



▪ 19.000 m² area:

- 5130 m² urbanized
- 1700 m² constructed facilities:
 - ✓ 1400 m² equipment
 - ✓ 300 m² x 2 floors: reception, offices and lab

Biomass availability in Castilla-La Mancha

WASTE BIOMASS AVAILABLE FOR ENERGY RECOVERY

BIOMASS			t/year
AGRICULTURAL	HERBACEOUS	Cereal straw	649.939
		Stem and cob corn	221.908
		Waste of sunflower fields	258.473
		Subtotal	1.130.320
	WOODY	Vine pruning	621.437
		Olive pruning	354.982
		Fruit pruning	60.172
		Vine grubbing up	109.807
		Subtotal	1.146.398
	FOREST		
		Firewoods, branches, etc.	121.416
		Subtotal	121.416
WOOD INDUSTRY		Sawmill	66.895,50
		Boards	3.524,60
		Construction	115.945,59
		Containers	8.961,50
		Others and bobber	2.628,80
		Furniture	49.973,20
		Subtotal	247.929,19
FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY		Brewers	25.000
		Grape pomace	105.000
		Olive pomace	38.000
		Subtotal	168.000
TOTAL			2.814.063,19

WASTE BIOMASS AVAILABLE FOR DIGESTION

WASTE	t/year
Pig manure	1.545.616
Cow manure	890.133
Poultry manure	618.835
Other species manure	1.043.121
Slaughterhouse raw material	81.293
Poultry Slaughterhouse raw material	14.829
Housing raw material	27.876
Meat and bone meal	0
WWTP sludge – meat	15.799
WWTP sludge – dairy	10.989
Whey	478.598
Dairy raw material	1.190
Fish raw material	27
WWTP sludge – fish	22
Surplus vegetables	4.146
Surplus citrics	0
Surplus fruit	56
Nonconforming vegetables	83.336
Nonconforming tubers	4.768
Nonconforming citrics	0

WASTE	t/year
Nonconforming fruits	1.325
Vegetable transformation	28.471
Tuber transformation	379
Citric transformation	0
Fruit transformation	1.078
Brewer	97.290
Alperujo 2Phases	235.240
Alpechín 3Phases	52.038
Vine raw material	414.180
Cider raw material	0
Sugar raw material	77.091
Cereal straw	3.447.943
Sludges IWWTP – Vegetable Transf.	3.734
Energetic crops	5.660
Glycerin	23.780
Raw material DDGS (bioethanol)	16.130
Raw material beet pulp (bioethanol)	0
Wholesale	34.281
Bars and Restaurants	26.870
Hotels	2.098

TOTAL: 9.288.222 t/year

BIOMASS

LIGNOCELLULOSIC

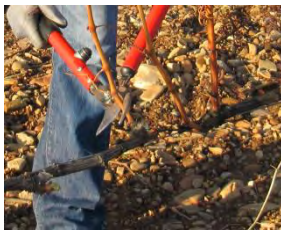
Lignocellulosic crops



Herbaceous agricultural wastes



Woody agricultural wastes



SUGARED/STARCHY

Sugared crops



Starchy crops



RESIDUAL MIX

Manures



Whey



OFMSW



Grape marcs and lees



WWTP Sludges



Alperujo



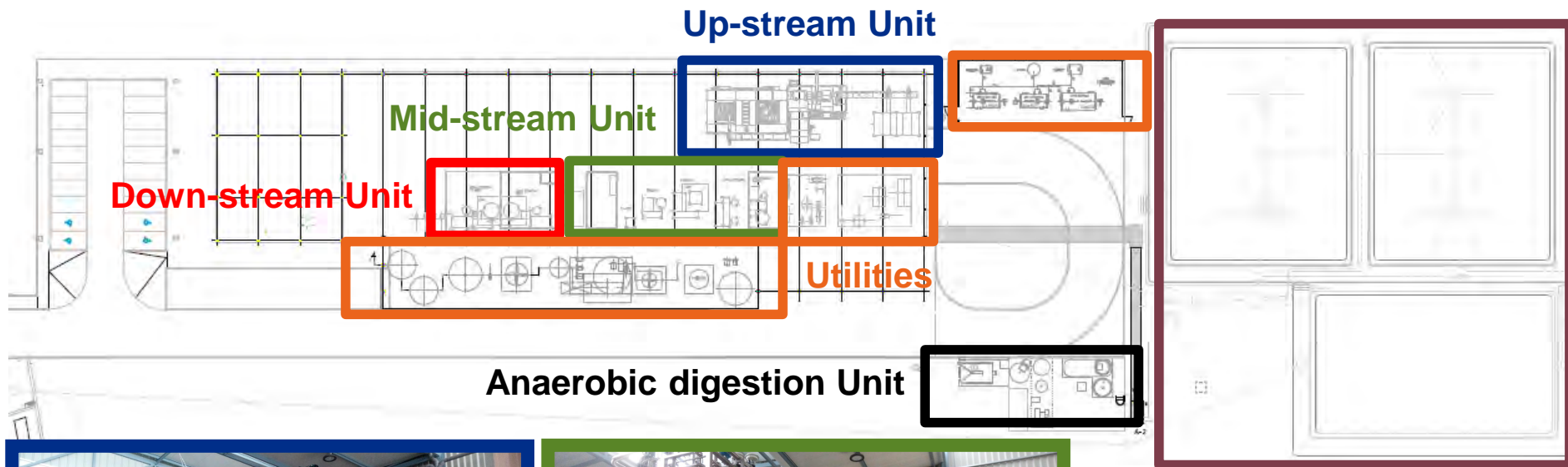
Slaughterhouse wastes



High loading WW (vinasse, alpechin),



General distribution – Biorefinery Units



UP-STREAM

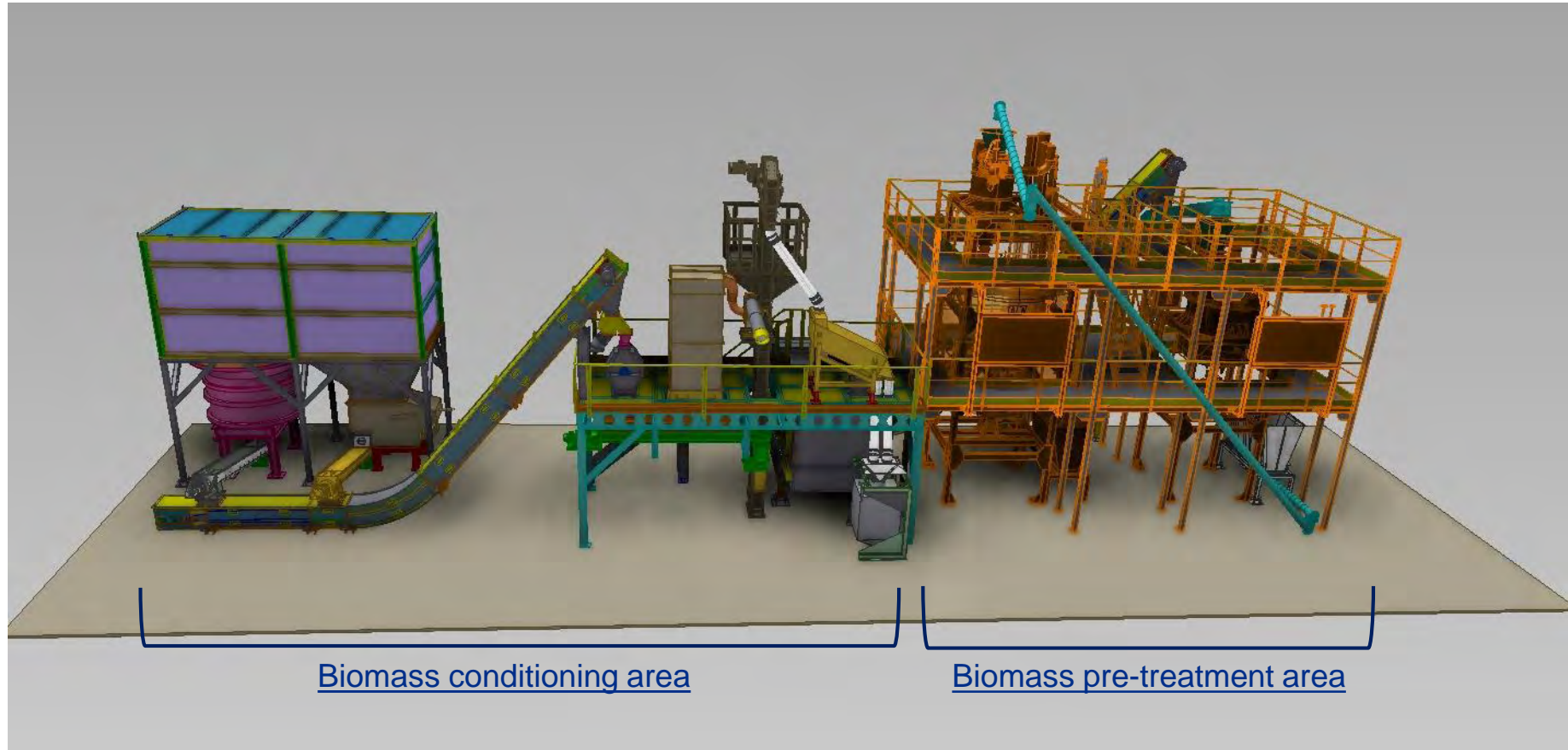
- ▶ **Objective:** Conditioning and pretreatment of herbaceous and woody biomass in order to do a conversion of biomass in a fermentable carbon source

- ▶ **Equipment Overview:**
 - ✓ Solid biomass storage (4 x 35 m³)
 - ✓ Mills for herbaceous and woody biomass (200 kg/h)
 - ✓ Extractor with vapour (3 m³)
 - ✓ Two-step Steam Explosion Reactor (400 l, up to 21 barg)
 - ✓ Solid/liquid separators (15 m³/h)



Lignocellulosic biomass storage area

General overview of up-stream unit



Up-stream unit



Up-stream unit



Extraction and Steam Explosion reactors



Detail of Steam-Explosion reactor
and Expansion vessel

MID-STREAM

- ▶ **Objective:** Fermenting or biotransform the carbon source generated in upstream into different bioproducts (bioplastics, biofuels, building blocks, etc.)

- ▶ **Equipment overview:**
 - ✓ Microbiology laboratory for micro management (starters, inoculants, etc.)
 - ✓ Reactors for hydrolysis and anaerobic and aerobic fermentation: 2 x 3 l, 2 x 30 l, 1 x 300 l, 1 x 3000 l and 1 x 20000 l
 - ✓ Systems for sterilization, substrate preparation, addition of sterile reactants, cleaning in place, and other utilities

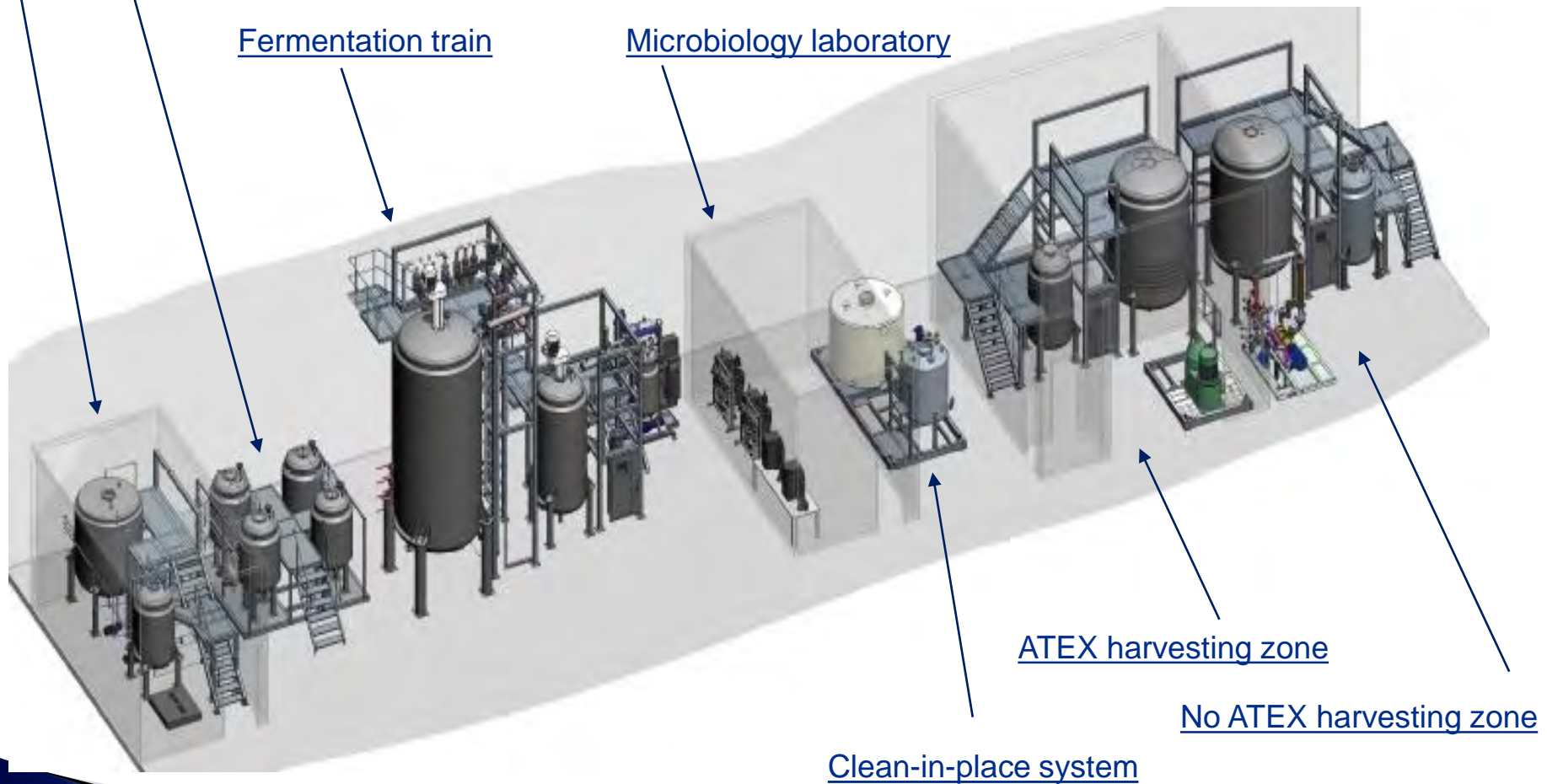
General overview of Mid- Down stream units

Substrate preparation system

Nutrient, acid, base and anti-foam addition system

Fermentation train

Microbiology laboratory



Mid-stream: Media preparation and sterile addition



Substrate preparation system



Nutrient, acid, base and anti-foam addition system

Mid-stream: Microbiology lab - 3 and 30 L fermenters



Microbiology laboratory (starters, inoculants, etc.): 3 L and 30 L fermenters

Mid-stream: 300, 3000 and 20,000 L fermenters



Fermentation train: 300 L, 3000 L and 20000 L fermenters

DOWN-STREAM

- ▶ **Objective:** Purification and concentration of the fermentation product of interest

- ▶ **Equipment overview:**
 - ✓ Harvesting tanks with capacity to act as a extractor: 1 x 10000 I (ATEX), 1 x 10000 I (No ATEX), 1 x 1500 I (ATEX) and 1 x 1500 I (No ATEX)
 - ✓ Microfiltration system (1 m³/h)
 - ✓ Centrifugation system (1,5 m³/h) (ATEX)

Down-stream: Harvesting tanks



Down-stream





No ATEX zone with
microfiltration system



ATEX zone with
centrifugation system



ANAEROBIC DIGESTION

- ▶ **Objective:** It is a modular and transportable pilot plant (400 l/d) for experiments of anaerobic digestion and codigestion of solid and liquid organic biomass to obtain biogas, VFA or biofertilizers.

- ▶ **Equipment overview:**
 - Liquid storage tank (20 m³)
 - Solid storage hopper (10 m³)
 - Pasteurization tank (1 m³)
 - Homogenization Tank (3 m³)
 - Digester (11 m³)
 - Digestate tank (5 m³)
 - Gasometer (10 m³)

Anaerobic digestion



UTILITIES

► **Objective:** Auxiliary services for the operation of the biorefinery units

- ✓ Electrical supply
- ✓ Steam
- ✓ Process water
- ✓ Cooling tower water
- ✓ Chiller water
- ✓ Glycol water
- ✓ Compressed air and process instrumentation
- ✓ Gases (NH_3 , N_2 , O_2)



Process water, Cooling tower water (25 – 35 °C),
Chiller water (9 – 14 °C), Glycol water (0 – 4 °C)



Boiler room (6 and 21 barg steam), Compressors (Process
and Instruments air)

WASTE MANAGEMENT UNIT

- ▶ **Objective:** Treatment and storage of liquid and solid wastes produced in the biorefinery.
- ▶ Delimited area for waste storage upon withdrawal by authorized waste manager, prioritizing 3 R: Reduction, Reutilization and Recycling.
- ▶ The biorefinery must be sustainable and its activity is R&D, so a waste water treatment system has been implemented based on passive natural systems, i. e. artificial wetlands. The wetlands system is also case of study as there is not a broad experience on waste water from biorefineries treatment.

Wastewater treatment

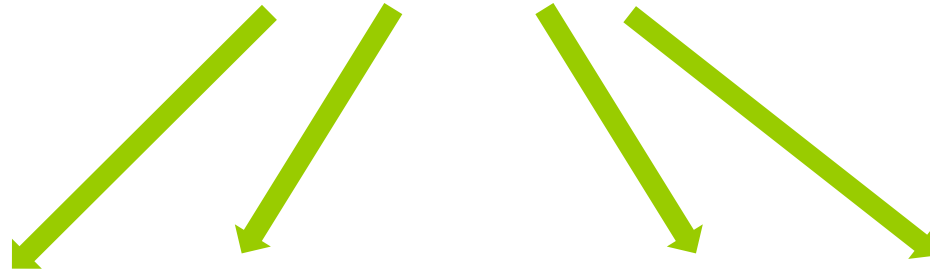


Process Control Areas



Second action involved in the CLaMber Project

Issuance of a Pre-commercial Public Procurement (PPP) (8,6 Millions €) for conducting innovative R&D projects aimed at:

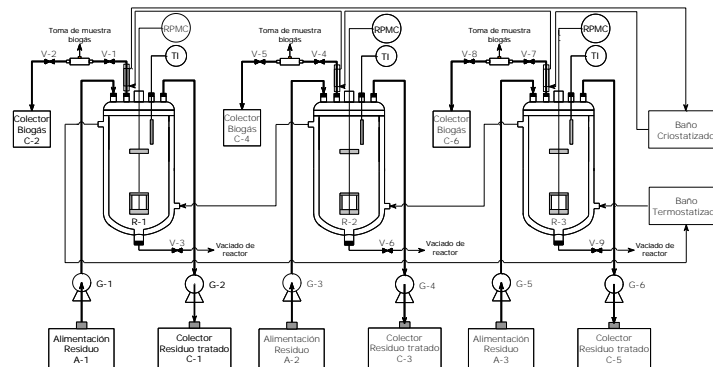


**SELECTION OF
OPTIMAL RAW
MATERIALS**

**IMPROVEMENT OR
DEVELOPMENT OF
NEW BIOPROCESS**

**DEVELOPMENT OF
NEW BIOPRODUCTS**

**SOCIOECONOMIC
RESEARCH, NEW
BUSINESS MODELS,
LOGISTIC AND
OTHER
TECHNOLOGY
CHALLENGES**



ALIGNED WITH THE EUROPEAN R&D STRATEGY OF 2020 HORIZON PROGRAM, THE PUBLISHED TENDERS ARE RELATED TO THE SERVICE OF RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE UTILIZATION OF:

- **LIGNOCELLULOSIC BIOMASS (CROPS AND WASTES).**
- **OILY BIOMASS (CROPS AND WASTES).**
- **AGRIFOOD RESIDUAL BIOMASS.**
- **LIVESTOCK RESIDUAL BIOMASS AND NON-AGRIFOOD BIOMASS.**

Tender winners

TENDER	LOT	LOT NAME	WINNER
LIGNOCELLULOSIC	1	WOODY WASTES	F.U. ALCALÁ
	2	HERBACEOUS WASTES	NEOL
			BIOPOLIS
	3	LIGNOCELLULOSIC CROPS	NEOL
	4	LIGNIN	NATAC
OILY	-	OILY CROPS	CAMELINA COMPANY
AGRIFOOD	1	WINERY WASTES	NATAC
			AINIA
	2	ALPERUJO	INNOVAOLEO
	3	WHEY	BIOPOLIS
	4	SLAUGHTERHOUSE WASTES	BIOGAS FUEL CELL
	5	HIGH ORGANIC LOADING WASTEWATERS	ALVINESA
			BIOMASA PENINSULAR
NO AGRIFOOD	1	LIVESTOCK WASTES	AINIA
			PURINES ALMAZÁN
	2	OFMSW	BIOMASA PENINSULAR
	3	WWTP SLUDGES	AINIA
	4	GLICERIN	TECNALIA
	5	NON ENERGETIC BIOGAS	BIOPOLIS

EU Projects:

- ✓ **URBIOFIN (Call: H2020-BBI-JTI-2016)**
- ✓ **BIOREGIO (Call: Interreg Europe)**

Demonstration of an integrated innovative biorefinery for the transformation of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) into new BioBased products



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BIO-BASED INDUSTRIES
Joint Undertaking
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Table 1.1a Targeted biobased products to be obtained at demo scale during URBIOFIN project

Biobased product	Use/ final application
Bioethanol	Chemical building block for bioethylene production and VFAs elongation
Mcl fatty acids (MCFA)	Chemical platform for mcl-PHA production
Biogas	Chemical building block for scl-PHA
Bioethylene gas	Ripening Gas in Post-Harvest Fruit Chambers
Short chain polyhydroxyalcanoates (scl-PHA)	Agriculture Bioplastic and use for household bags
Medium chain polyhydroxyalcanoates (mcl-PHA)	Bioplastic for packaging
Biocomposites of scl and mcl-PHA	Cosmetic and hygienic applications
Aminoacids rich liquid fertiliser	High added value liquid biofertilisers
Dry Organic-Mineral Granules	Solid Biofertiliser



<https://www.urbiofin.eu/>

Total
budget
15 M€

Jun 2017
Jun 2021

BIOREGIO

Interreg Europe

BIOREGIO boosts bio-based circular economy through transfer of expertise about best available technologies and cooperation models.

www.interregeurope.eu/bioregio

An interregional cooperation project for improving resource-efficient economy policies.

Project Partners

Lahti University of Applied Sciences (FI)
Regional Council of Pääjät-Häme (FI)
Deputy Regional Ministry of Environment (ES)
Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra (SK)
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (EL)
Region of Central Macedonia (EL)

National Research and Development Institute for Chemistry and Petrochemistry ICECHIM, Calarasi Subsidiary (RO)
Association of the Chambers of Agriculture of the Atlantic Area (FR)

An interregional cooperation project to share expertise about circular economy models and best available technologies of biological streams between other European regions.

DEVELOPED BY THE DEPUTY REGIONAL MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT OF CASTILLA-LA MANCHA.

The policy instrument that Castilla-La Mancha expects to improve with this project is the ERDF Regional Operational Programme.

<https://www.interregeurope.eu/bioregio/>

Environment & resource efficiency

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1.30 M ERDF

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