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Biotechnology

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Biotechnology is a scientific field that today, more than any other in human history, can enable the sustainable development of human society. THE UNIVERSITY OF **BELGRADE'S FACULTY OF CHEMISTRY (UBFC)** is recognized for quality of scientific research. international collaborations, as well as the number of PhD's who conduct work in the fields of (molecular) biotechnology, bio- and protein engineering.



The most essential biotechnological scientific areas implemented are in the fields of

food,

environment,

energy and

medicine.

CENTER OF RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Strong expertise of UBFC is structural instrumental analysis and proteomics.

UBFC core facilities for NMR, HRMS and proteomics, support biotechnology research, but also serve numerous external researchers from the country and abroad.

TWINNING WITH TOP LEVEL EU INSTITUTIONS















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BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR FUTURE FOOD



Functional products introduced to the market : nutraceuticals "Oligogal Se" and "Dijabet Cr", as well as innovative infant formulas. Current food industry cannot meet the current and future needs of the planet.

Novel projects and research in the field of food are the ones that develop innovative alternative protein sources based on algae and insects and functional food such as beer supplemented with hyalurone and Zn.

BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR FUTURE FOOD

Algae are rich source of bioactive phycobiliproteins:

blue-green microalgae Spirulina

red macroalga Porphyra



Stabilization of the colour of phycobilin proteins by binding of small molecules for use in the food industry.



PRESSION Project: "Strengthening the potential of algal proteins for food colouring and enrichment using high-pressure technology" (ANSO-CR-OPP-2021).

Alliance of International Science Organizations

BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR FUTURE FOOD

Micro- and nanoplastics are emerging environmental and food contaminants





Impact on health, focus on allergies and asthma.

Novel methods of microand nanoplastics detection and quantification.

More sensitive food allergens detection.

IMPTOX

ShellPCR project

BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR ENVIRONMENT

Creation of new, biodegradable, efficient and environmentally friendly natural products for removing heavy metals from industrial wastewater.



Immobilization of algal phycobiliproteins with organic supports.



BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR ENVIRONMENT



Research on isolated,

natural; recombinantly produced and designed/engineered enzymes for oxidative pollutant degradation



BIOTECHNOLOGY FOR ENVIRONMENT

Several awards for the best technological innovation, patents for bioethanol production and insoluble dietary fibers from Triticalae, various biopolymers for wastewater treatment. Use of various offbalance sheet raw materials and agri-food by-products for the production of bioethanol and biodiesel.







Comprehensive searching and identification of chromopeptides, obtained by directed digestion of phycobiliproteins.

Viral targets RdRp, MPro and S-RBD proteins of SARS-CoV-2.

Design and development of recombinant protein therapeutics for diagnosis and allergenspecific immunotherapy in prokaryotic (E. coli) and eykariotic (P. pastoris) expression systems.

Patent rekombinant glukanase from bananas: ALLERGEN FOR DETECTION OF SPECIFIC ANTIBODIES AND USE THEREOF (Patent 57352)



Recombinant linden pollen allergen (PoC)

РЕПУБЛИКА СРБИЈА ФОНД ЗА ИНОВАЦИОНУ ДЕЛАТНОСТ



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Design and production of structural viral proteins, their fragments and constructs (SARS-CoV-2, Influenza virus) in prokaryotic and eukaryotic (yeast, mamalian expression systems).

Recombinant protein antigens for serological SARS-CoV-2 diagnostic tests.

CAPSIDO project

UNDP project



Serological test to N and RBD proteins developed in collaboration with INEP institute



ELISA based on recombinant N/RBD antigens in cooperation with INEP institute obtained registration from ALIMS

Recombinant protein antigens for drug repurposing for the SARS-CoV-2 treatment.

SMART REPURPOSING project

COVIDTARGET project



Eukaryotic α -glucosidase

NTD Spike SARS-CoV-2

Mpro and PLpro SARS-CoV-2 proteases



More sensitive diagnostic test to SARS CoV-2

CAPSIDO project funded by the Science Fund of the Republic of Serbia





More sensitive diagnostic test to autoimmune diseases Quantification of antithyroglobulin antibodies in human serum – application of the quartz crystal microbalance sensors



Detection of amyloid fibrils and amyloid oligomers in human sera by contemporary instrumental methods

Serbia-Slovenia bilateral project 337-00-21/2020-09/27





Creating a simple, robust, cheap, and scalable EV purification system for application of EVs in personalized medicine. Immune-capture based approaches developed @UBFC could represent an effective purification alternative to obtain homogeneous EV samples.



BIOCHEMISTRY STUDY PROGRAMS

Key for sustainable development of UBFC in the biotechnology field is research-based education of biochemists.

Biochemistry study program offers variety of biotechnology courses in addition to giving strong foundation in chemistry, biochemistry and cell and molecular biology.

BIOCHEMISTRY STUDY PROGRAMS

Market-oriented Master of Biochemistry study program offers core subjects of Molecular Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, and provides constant flux of competent young researchers to sustain expansion of biotechnology oriented research conducted at UBFC and in the country.





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