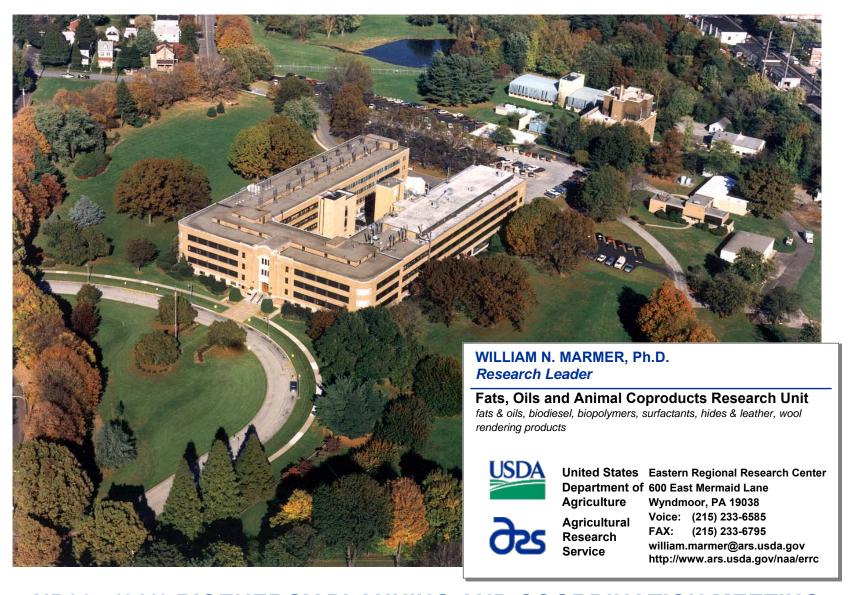
## Fats, Oils and Animal Coproducts Research Unit

Fats & oils, biodiesel, biopolymers, surfactants, hides & leather, wool, rendered protein



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# ERRC SY's Who Work on Biodiesel

# CWU 1935-41000-066

(bioenergy in part; CWU coded NP306)



**Tom Foglia** 



Mike Haas



**Bill Marmer** 



**Victor Wyatt** 

# CWU 1935-41000-067

(coded NP306)



**Dan Solaiman** 



**Rick Ashby** 





# **Research Project 1935-41000-066**

(Tom Foglia, LS) PRODUCTION OF VALUE-ADDED LIPIDS, BIOFUELS, AND BIOBASED PRODUCTS FROM FATS AND OILS

Termination date: June 19, 2009

### Objective 4 (of 5), Biofuels and additives:

- Develop <u>alternative processes for producing biodiesel</u> from intact oils and fats and/or less expensive lipid feedstocks.
- Develop methodologies for improving the quality and performance of biodiesel fuels.

### **Objective 5 (of 5), Glycerol utilization:**

- glycerol Convert glycerol to prepolymers for prospective use in the synthesis of polyesters and polyamides or for use as polydispersants.
  - Hyperbranched and dendrimeric polymers
  - Reactive intermediates for production of adhesives, elastomers and foams
  - Linear condensation prepolymers (2-5 polyester/amide monomers)



## **Research Project 1935-41000-067**

(Dan Solaiman, LS)

INTEGRATIVE PROCESSES FOR THE BIOCONVERSION OF FATS, OILS AND THEIR DERIVATIVES INTO BIOBASED MATERIALS AND PRODUCTS

Termination date: July 1, 2009

**Objective 1** (of 2): **Develop fermentation-based bioconversion systems** ...that utilize...fats, oils and coproducts as feedstocks to produce value-added biobased products and materials with enhanced properties and minimal environmental footprints

**Sub-objective 1.1: Broaden the application expanse of the feedstocks** 

Explore their suitability for use in the fermentative or cell-based production of value-added bioproducts such as water-soluble biopolymers, biosurfactants, chemical intermediates, biolubricants, thickening agents, and bioemulsifiers

**Sub-objective 1.2: Implement strain improvement...** 

Sub-objective 1.3: Explore the use of inexpensive feedstocks and of alternative glycerol fermentation techniques such as fed-batch culture

- produce new bio-based materials
- maximize the yields of existing technologies



# Biodiesel Research Research capabilities/instrumentation/facilities



test engine at ERRC

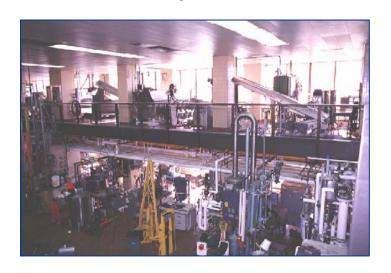


GC-MS and HPLC-MS





Benchtop fermentors



ERRC Pilot Plant: "SUPER" Group support



# Biodiesel Research Production from Alternative Feedstocks



veg. oil, animal fat, restaurant grease



Soapstock



trap grease

### Direct (in situ) production from



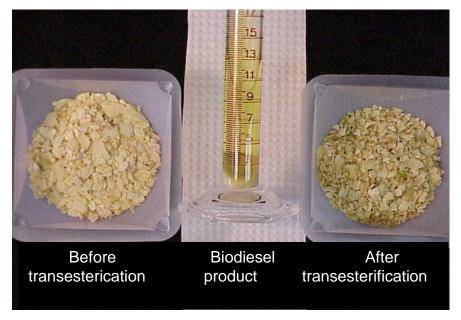




soy flakes

**DDGS** 

meat & bone meal

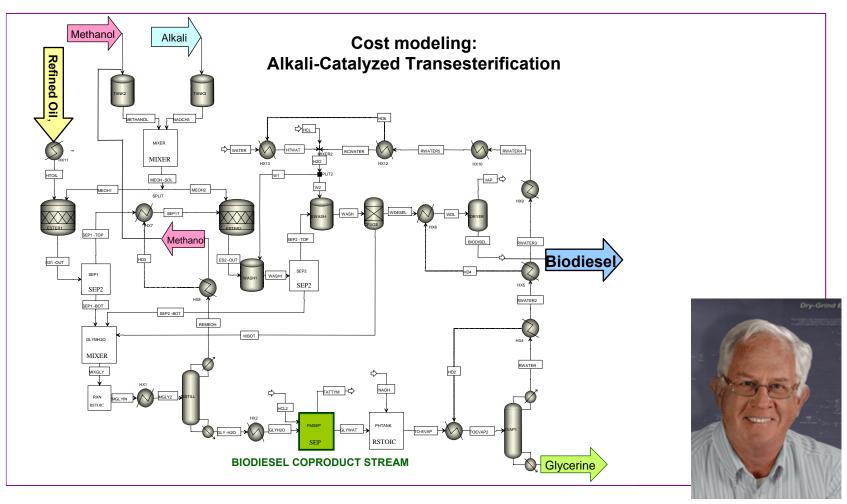




### **Biodiesel Research**

### **Production: Process simulation and cost engineering**

ASPEN+ and SuperPro Designer Software

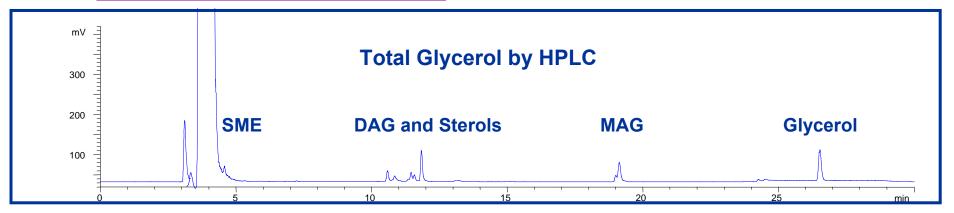


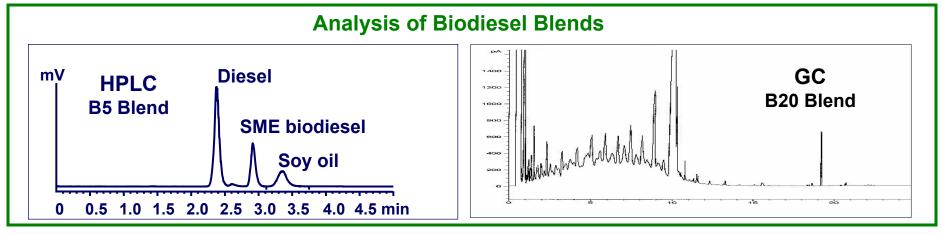
Model for refined soy oil

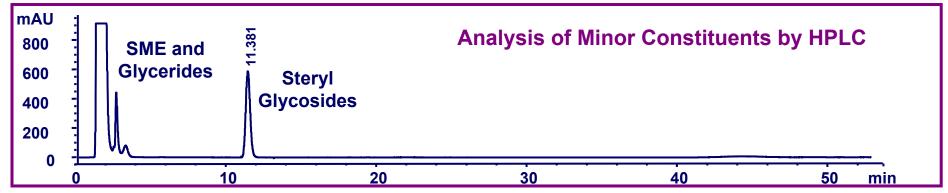
**Andy McAloon** 

# Biodiesel Research: Assessment of Fuel Quality











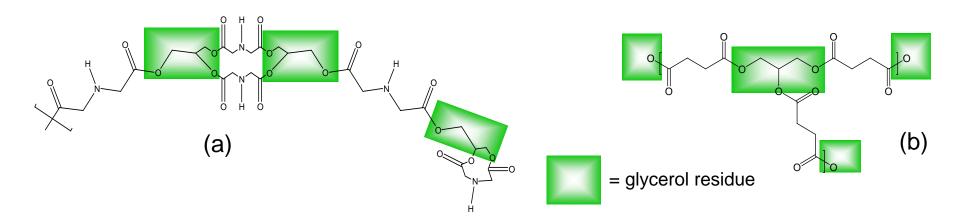
# **Uses for Glycerol Coproduct Stream**

Hyperbranched Polymers from Glycerol (Victor Wyatt, Tom Foglia)

(1) Synthesis and characterization of oligomers:

(a) with iminodiacetic acid

(b) with dicarboxylic acids (succinic or azelaic)



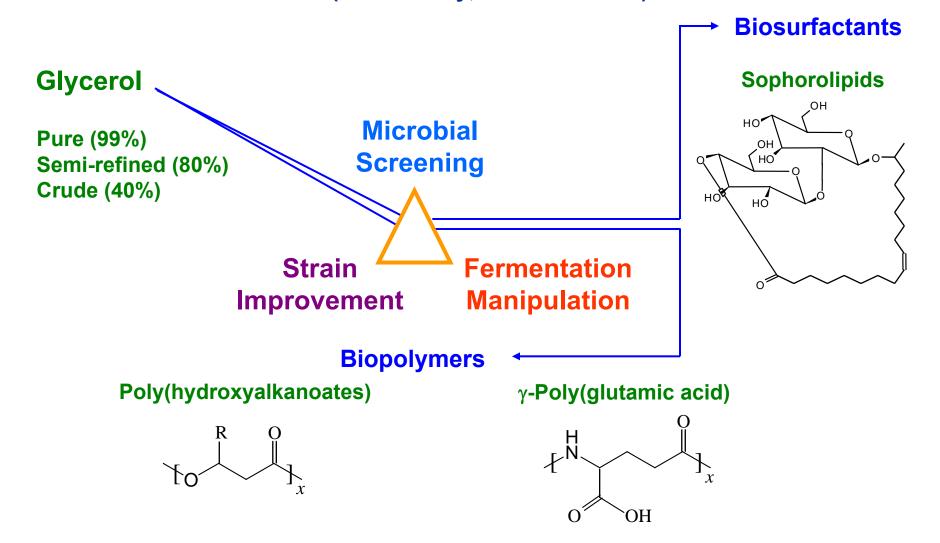
(2) Conversion to hyperbranched polymers:
Anticipated: some will be water-soluble
Most will be soluble in polar organic solvents

Potential uses: adhesives, films, elastomers, surgical applications



# **Uses for Glycerol Coproduct Stream**

Glycerol as a Fermentation Feedstock (Rick Ashby, Dan Solaiman)





### **Activities planned for next couple of years**

#### Feedstocks:

- In situ conversions: continuous processes, assessment of defatted meal as feed
- Grease applications: improve conversion processes
  - Enzymatic and solid acid catalysis
- Analytical: Adoption of new methods for trace constituents
  - Partial glycerides, steryl glycosides, residual sulfur
  - Rapid determination of blend levels
  - Applications of methods to identify and eliminate the problems

### Glycerol:

- Production, characterization and application of hyperbranched polymers
- Synthesis of new reactive monomers
- Fermentation products: effect of feedstock on yields and properties
  - Biosurfactants and biopolymers
- Intact fats and oils: use as heating fuel





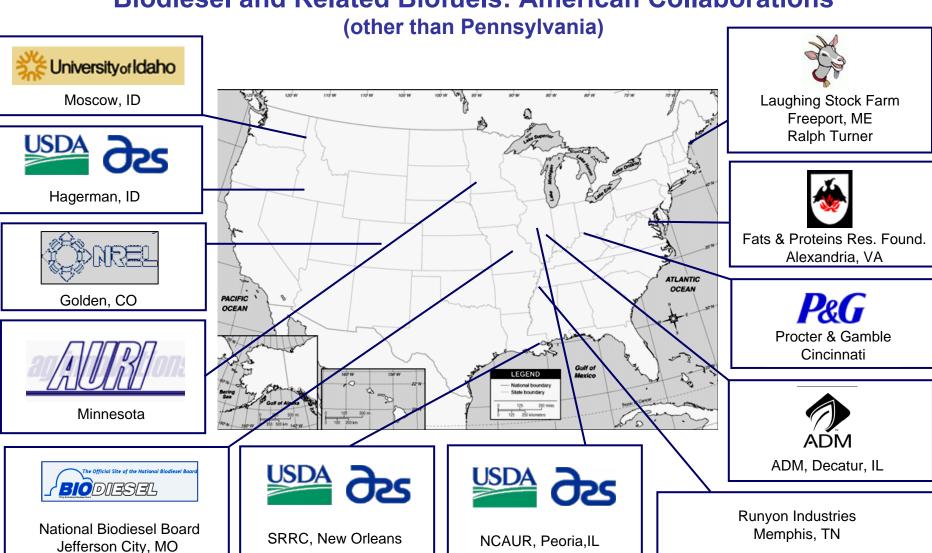




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### **Biodiesel and Related Biofuels: Pennsylvania Collaborations**



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Direct combustion of fats and oils

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Springhouse
Utilization of Glycerol
A Biodiesel Co-Product
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Energy Symposia for Schools Abington, 2003-2006 ERRC: Presenter Organizer: Ellen Bard



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