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STRATEGIES FOR THE AEROBIC BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT OF THE DAIRY WASTEWATERS IN CONTROLLED CONDITIONS

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Abstract

The aim of this study was to evaluate the capacity of certain bacterial and fungal strains - isolated from the dairy industry wastewater - to biodegrade the organic compounds such as casein, lactose and lactic acid similarly to those which determine the organic pollution. The strains able to rapidly biodegrade organic compounds were identified and screened for the inoculum preparation which is afterward tested for the aerobic biological treatment of the simulated dairy-processing wastewater. The experiments were conducted in a 1L bioreactor, produced by Applikon Company.

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