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Biowaste-to-bioplastic (polyhydroxyalkanoates): Conversion technologies, strategies, challenges, and perspective



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HIGHLIGHTS

GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT

- PHA production from biowaste is an economic and ecofriendly approach.
- Microbes are able to recover resource from waste and produce PHA.
- C, N, P and dissolved oxygen are the main factors that affect PHA production.
- The downstream process has a big impact on whole cost of PHA production.
- Functionalization of PHA has potential to improve their applications.

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ABSTRACT

Biowaste management is a challenging job as it is high in nutrient content and its disposal in open may cause a serious environmental and health risk. Traditional technologies such as landfill, bio-composting, and incineration are used for biowaste management. To gain revenue from biowaste researchers around the world focusing on the integration of biowaste management with other commercial products such as volatile fatty acids (VFA), biohydrogen, and bioplastic (polyhydroxyalkanoates (PHA)), etc. PHA production from various biowastes such as lignocellulosic biomass, municipal waste, waste cooking oils, biodiesel industry waste, and syngas has been reported successfully. Various nutrient factors i.e., carbon and nitrogen source concentration and availability of dissolved oxygen are crucial factors for PHA production. This review is an attempt to summarize the recent

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