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Organosolvolysis of the wood powder was examined for developing an effective production of lignocellulosic ethanol. The wood powder was pretreated at various conditions and the resulting substrate was hydrolyzed by cellulase. The high saccharification yield over 40% was obtained at the pretrement conditions of ethanol/water/acetic acid=75/25/1 at 140 °C or ethylene glycol/water/acetic acid=75/25/1 at 170 °C with subsequent ball-milling. The saccharification yield about 30% without ball-milling was also obtained by pretrement with ethanol/water/TFA=50/50/2 or ethanol/water/hydrochloric acid=50/50/0.4 at 170 °C.

Simultaneous fermentation with enzyme saccharification was examined and yeast strain of NBRC1777 showed high ethanol production performance at 43 °C. Fermentation of xylose was also investigated with recombinant xylose-fermenting *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and higher ethanol yield than by nomal cellulase was obtained.

Lignin depolymerization and production of adsorbents from lignin residue were also investigated for assessing the possibility of effective utilization of lignin residue. The lignin residue was depolymerized in alcohol at 210-300 °C and obtained chemicals were found to be phenolic aromatic compounds. The lignin residue was also converted into activated carbon by chemical activation and obtained adsorbents indicate high adsorption activity for DL-PCB removal.

In addition, preliminary experiments were done for environmental impact assessment in relation to bio-ethanol production.

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