

REGISTRATION

Hands-on Short Course on Biodiesel Production and Utilization

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The registration fee per person is US \$1,500. Participants must inform BETA Lab of preferred exact dates of training program. Applications are accepted under the terms described in the accompanying short course program or a revised program agreed upon by participant and BETA Lab. Payment by check drawn on a U.S. bank or an International cashier's check in U.S. dollars must accompany applications.

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Hands-on Short Course on Biodiesel Production and Utilization (1 Week)

Prepared and Organized by the BioEnergy Testing and Analysis Lab (BETA Lab)
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Training Pedagogy

This training program is a combination of Lectures and Computational Exercises in the morning and actual hands-on exercises in the afternoon. Each training lecture is loaded with engineering calculations and the chemistry of biodiesel production. At the end of the training program, the trainee will have learned all basic skills in becoming a biodiesel plant manager or process engineer. The trainee will also receive a hardcopy of complete set of training materials.

Schedule of Lectures/Computations and Lab Activities

Sunday or Day 0, Arrival of Trainee

Monday or Day 1

Morning Activities

Tour of Lab Facilities of Overview of Training Program

Lecture 1: The Chemistry of Vegetable Oils and Fats

Lecture 2: Oil Crops and Feedstock for Making Biodiesel including Algal Oil

Computation 1: Chemistry Computations and Yield Prediction and Sizing of Plants

Afternoon Activities

Lab 1: Oil Extraction Exercises: Mechanical, Ultra-sonication and Chemical Oil Extraction

Tuesday or Day 2

Morning Activities

Lecture 3: Oil Extraction Lecture: Mechanical, Chemical and Biological Extraction

Lecture 4: Oil Refining Processes: Neutralization, Dewaxing, Bleaching and Deodorization

Computation 2: Yield Calculations and Estimate of Extraction and Refining Procedure Losses

Afternoon Activities

Lab 2: Oil Refining Exercises: Neutralization, Dewaxing, Bleaching and Deodorization

Wednesday or Day 3

Morning Activities

Lecture 5: The trans-esterification process

Lecture 6: The ASTM Standards and Measurements of ASTM Properties Required for Biodiesel

Computation 3: Transesterification Calculations and Some ASTM Procedure Calculations

Afternoon Activities

Lab 3: Trans-esterification Exercises

Thursday or Day 4

Morning Activities

Lecture 7: Equipment and Technology for Biodiesel Production:

Lecture 8: Advanced Biodiesel Production Processes

Computation 4 Equipment Design and Control Systems Introduction

Afternoon Activities

Lab 4: ASTM Analysis of Biodiesel

Friday or Day 5

Morning Activities

Lecture 9: Strategies for the Establishment of Small and Medium-Scale Biofuels Plant

Lecture 10: Design of Commercial Systems and Economics of Biodiesel Production

Computation 5: Development of Business Plan and Simple Economic Calculations and Projections

Including SAE Standards for Engine Testing

Afternoon Activities

Lab 5: Engine Performance Testing and Emissions

Saturday or Day 6

Field Visit and Tour:

- a. Visit a Commercial Biodiesel facility (Dayton, Texas)
- b. Awarding of Certificates

Summary of Training

Time	Day of the Week						
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM	Arrival of Trainee	Tour/Lecture 1	Lecture 3	Lecture 5	Lecture 7	Lecture 9	Tour of Commercial Facility
		Lecture 2	Lecture 4	Lecture 6	Lecture 8	Lecture 10	
		Comp 1	Comp 2	Comp 3	Comp 4	Comp 5	
		Lunch Break					
PM		Lab 1 Oil Extraction	Lab 2 Oil Refining	Lab 3 Biodiesel Production	Lab 4 ASTM Analysis	Lab 5 Engine Testing	Awarding and Trainee Departure

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