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Microbial biotransformation

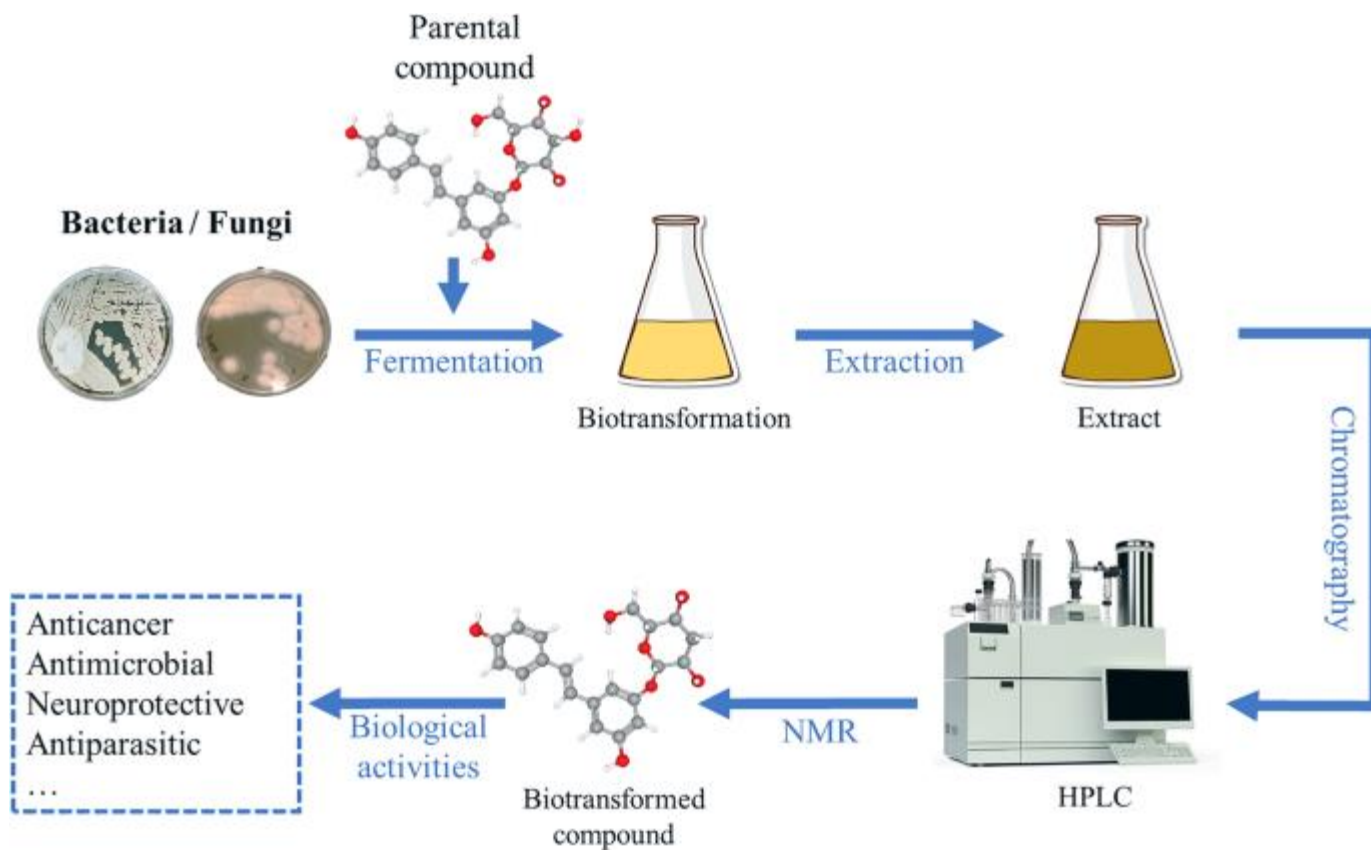
Microbial biotransformation involves using microorganisms to **convert one compound into another**, often to produce **high-value chemicals, drugs, or metabolites** that would be difficult to synthesize through traditional chemical methods.

- **Steroid transformation:** Microorganisms like **Rhodococcus** رودوكوكوس are used for the biotransformation of **steroids to produce pharmaceutical intermediates**.

لماذا تُفضّل التحوّلات الستيرويدية الميكروبية على الطرق الكيميائية التقليدية في صناعة الأدوية؟

applications of microbial biotransformation

- ❑ Transformation of steroids and sterols.
- ❑ Transformation of Pollutants.
- ❑ Transformation of Non-Steroid Compounds.
- ❑ Transformation of Antibiotics.
- ❑ Transformation of Pesticides.
- ❑ Petroleum Biotransformation



Biofuel and Bioremediation

- ❑ The material of plants and animals, including their wastes and residues ,is called biomass.
- ❑ **called biomass** :It is organic, carbon-based, material that reacts with oxygen in combustion and natural metabolic processes to release heat. Such heat, especially if at temperatures >400 C, may be used to generate work and electricity

Biofuel and Bioremediation

- **Biofuels:** Microbial biotechnology plays a significant role in the production of bioethanol, biodiesel, and biohydrogen as renewable energy sources.

Example: *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* (yeast) is used for ethanol production from sugars.

- **Bioremediation** المعالجة الحيوية: Microorganisms are used to break down or detoxify environmental pollutants such as oil spills, heavy metals, and organic pollutants.

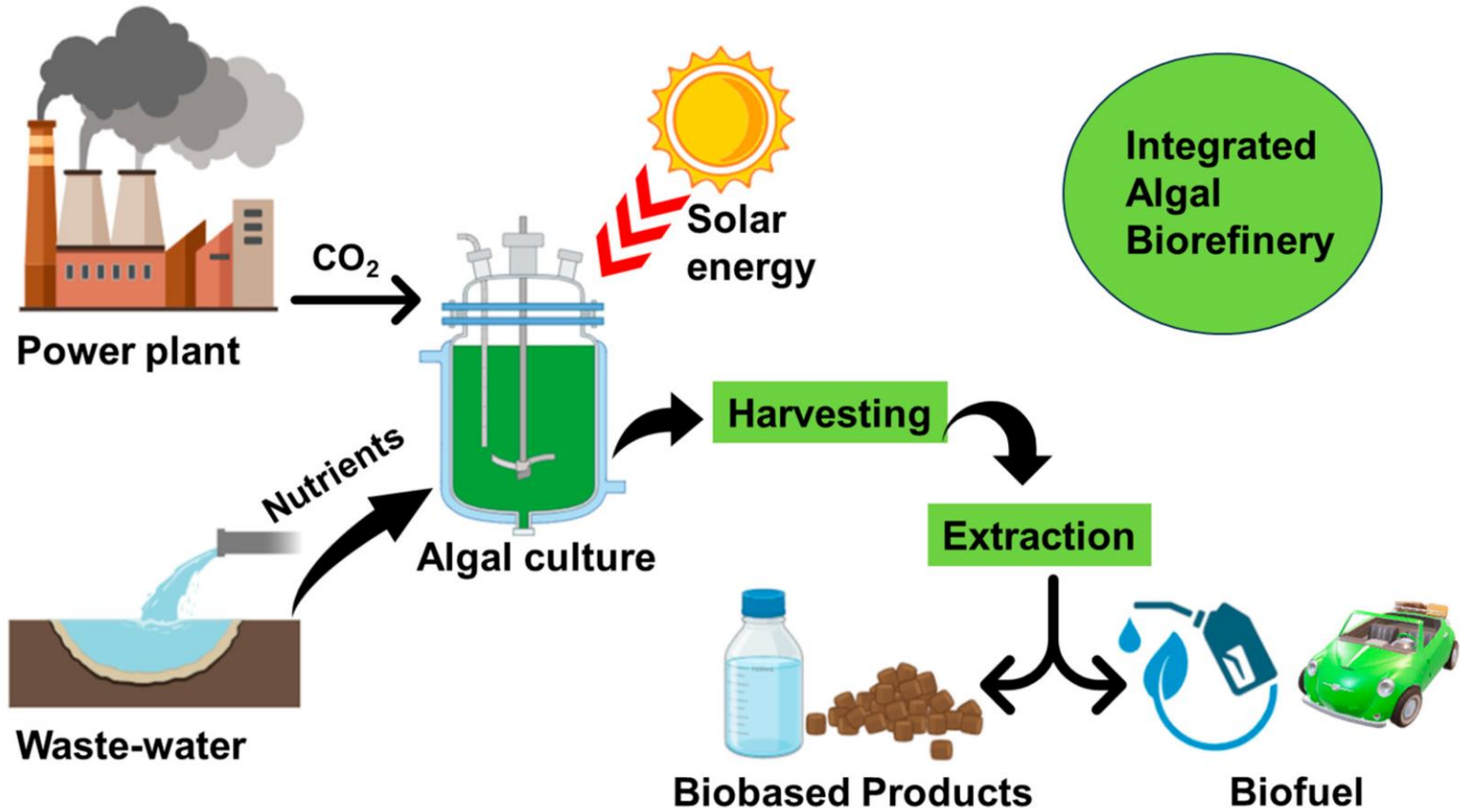
Example, certain types of *Pseudomonas* bacteria can break down hydrocarbons in oil-contaminated soil. يمكن لأنواع بكتيريا الزائفة تحليل الهيدروكربونات في التربة الملوثة بالنفط.

Applications of Microbial Biotechnology:

a-Pharmaceuticals :

Microbial biotechnology has revolutionized the production of antibiotics, vaccines, and other biopharmaceuticals.

- **Antibiotics:** Microorganisms like *Streptomyces* species produce a variety of antibiotics, including penicillin and tetracycline.
- **Vaccines:** Recombinant microorganisms are used to produce vaccines against diseases like hepatitis and influenza.



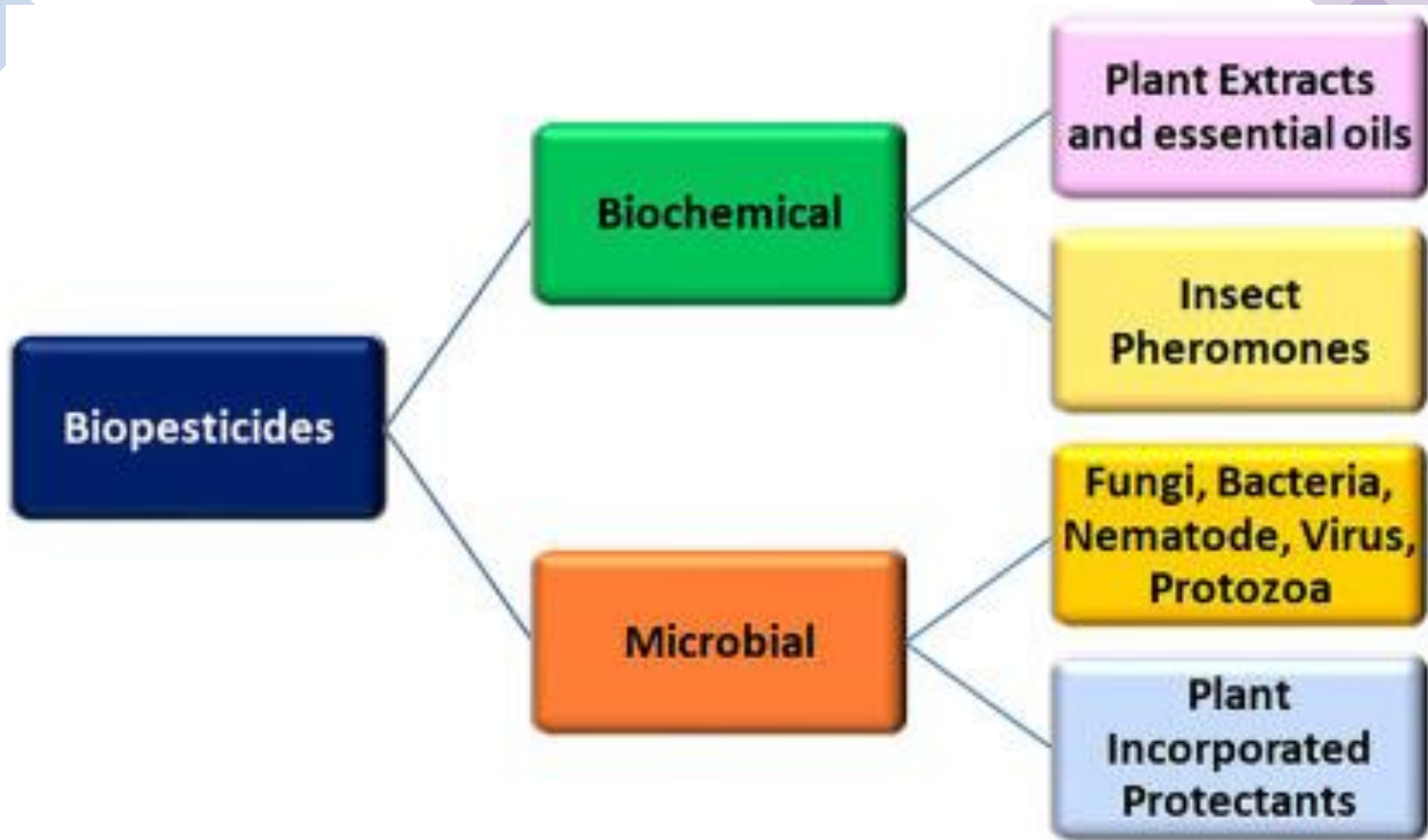
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b- Agricultural Biotechnology :

Microbial biotechnology helps in enhancing agricultural productivity through biological control, nitrogen fixation, and biopesticides.

- **Biofertilizers** الأسمدة الحيوية : Certain bacteria like *Rhizobium* الريزوبيوم help in **fixing atmospheric nitrogen**, promoting plant growth.
- **Biopesticides** المبيدات الحيوية : *Bacillus* thuringiensis produces proteins toxic to insect pests, reducing the need for chemical pesticides.





Applications of Microbial Biotechnology:

c-Food and Beverage Industry:

Microbial biotechnology is fundamental in food fermentation processes that produce products like cheese, yogurt, bread, beer, and wine. Microorganisms such as *Lactobacillus* and *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* are commonly used.



Applications of Microbial Biotechnology:

d. Environmental Biotechnology:

Microbial biotechnology plays a crucial role in environmental conservation through waste treatment, bioremediation, and bioenergy production.



- **Wastewater treatment** معالجة مياه الصرف الصحي : Microorganisms **break down** organic matter in sewage to reduce environmental pollution.
- **Carbon sequestration** عزل الكربون : Microorganisms like **algae** are explored for their potential in capturing atmospheric CO₂.

Challenges and Future Directions

- **Strain improvement**تحسين السلالات: There is always a need for better microbial strains that can increase product yield and reduce by-products.
- **Safety concerns**مخاوف السلامة: Genetically modified organisms (GMOs) must be carefully monitored to **avoid unintended consequences**.
- **Cost-effectiveness**فعالية التكلفة: Scale-up processes for microbial biotechnology can be **expensive**. Efforts are ongoing to improve **efficiency and reduce costs**.

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