# **DENTIFICATION OF LIGNOCELLULOSE-DEGRADING ENZYMES USING METAGENOMIC APPROACHES**

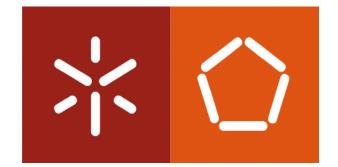
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## ABSTRACT

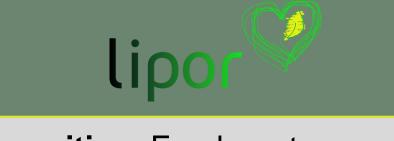
Composting units which handle lignocellulosic residues are suitable sources of novel and promising lignocellulose-degrading enzymes such as cellulases, xylanases and amylases. These enzymes have practical application in many industries where lignocellulose is converted into several added-value bioproducts. However, the effective conversion of lignocellulose by a sustainable process is currently incomplete. Therefore, there is a need to find novel and robust catalysts to overcome this fact. Function- and sequence-based metagenomic approaches were used to identify novel lignocellulose-degrading enzymes with interesting industrial applications.



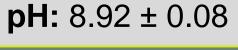




**Composition**: Municipal sludge, wood and cork chip, ashes and fine biomass **Temperature (°C):** 52.0 ± 1.0 **pH:** 6.80 ± 0.01



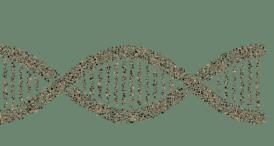
**Composition**: Food wastes, green and forestry residues **Temperature (°C):** 50.0 ± 1.0



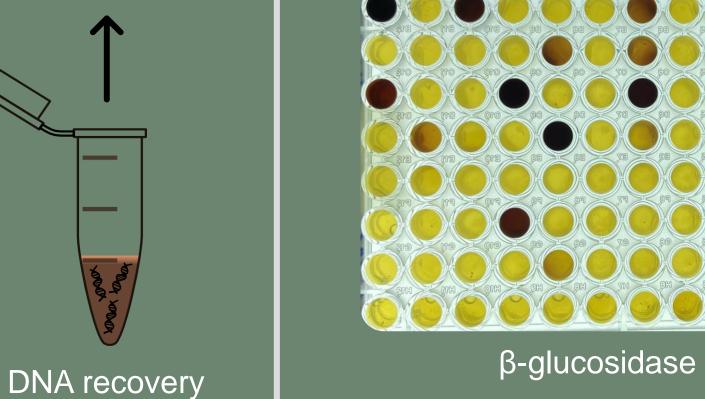


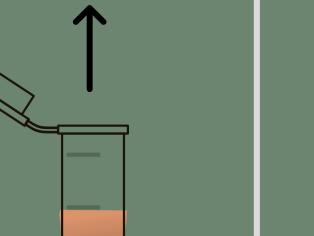
**Composition**: Agroforestry residues and municipal sludge **Temperature (°C):** 62.7 ± 1.0

**pH:** 6.96 ± 0.02



### DNA purification





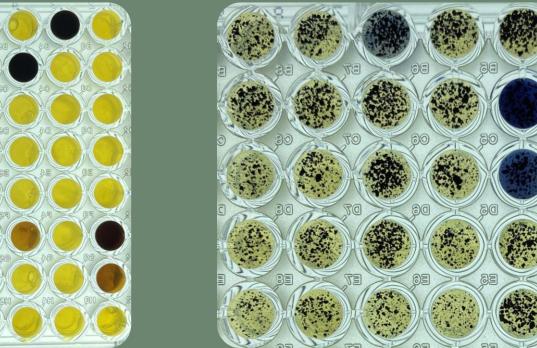
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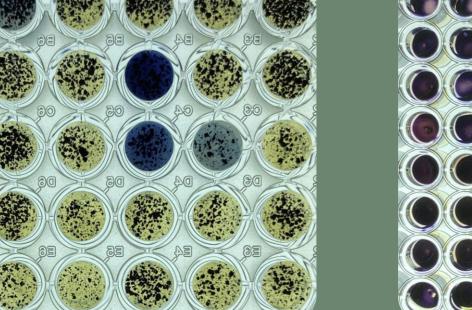
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## Functional Screening

**FUNCTION-BASED APPROACH** 

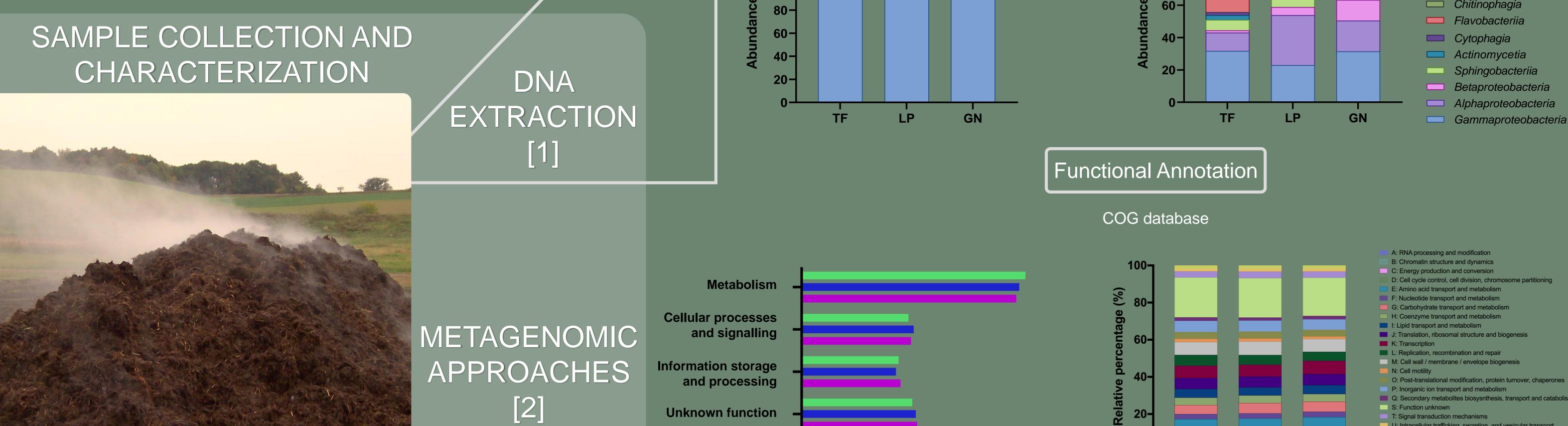
Xylanase





Amylase

### **SEQUENCE-BASED APPROACH** Taxonomic Assignment Class level Domain level 🔲 Balneolia Verrucomicrobiae Viruses 100-Planctomycetia 🔲 Eukarya 80-(%) Bacilli Archaea Deltaproteobacteria Bacteria Chitinophagia



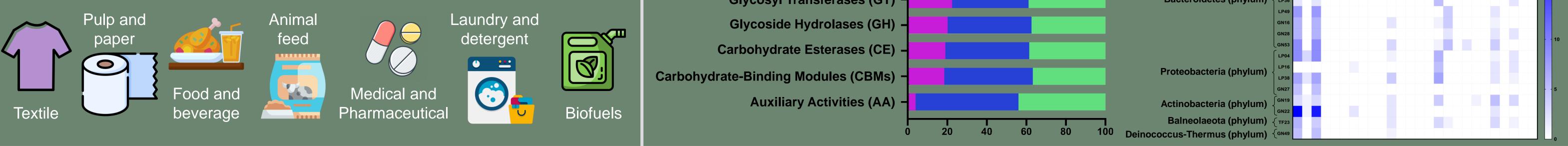
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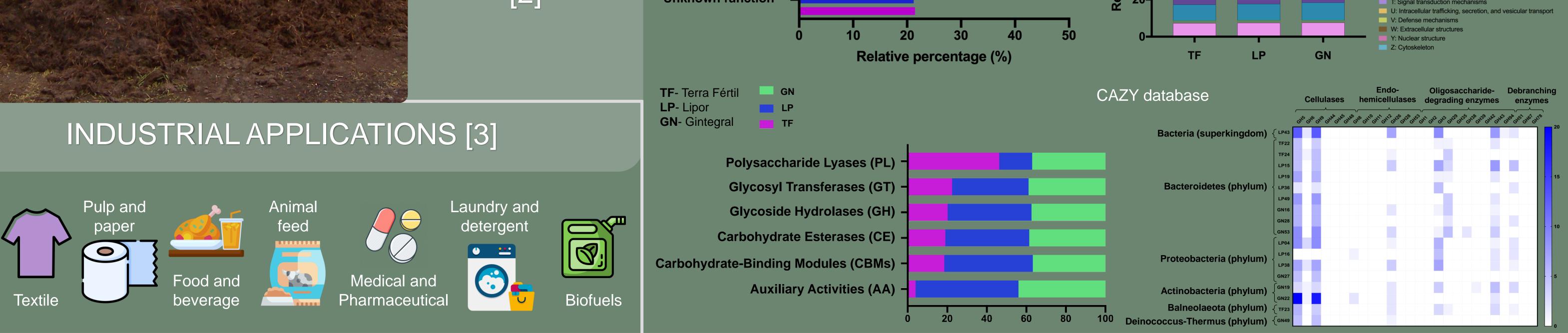
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