



MODEC05-2020, International Workshop on the Natural Products and Agro-Industrial Processes in Ecuadorian Amazon region

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Abstract: Welcome to the MODEC2020 workshop. This is [Amazon State University's \(UEA\) FIFTH](#) workshop (30 Jan 2020–30 Jan 2021), devoted to the promotion and application of the Multidisciplinary Sciences to the development of natural products and agro-industrial processes in Ecuadorian Amazon regions. This includes the application of Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) for data analysis and computational model including the fields of Agro-industrial Engineering, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Biotechnology, Veterinary Medicine, and/or Environmental Sciences, etc. We invite you to visit the official web of the workshop: <https://mol2net-06.sciforum.net/>

This workshop runs online. The online workshop is powered by the SciForum platform of MDPI, hosted by the [MOL2NET](#) conference, [International Conference on Interdisciplinary Sciences](#). Please, contact the workshop chairmen for further details. Paper submission is already open and the publication of papers for conference purposes in SciForum platform is free of cost.

Publications are expected to be short papers consisting of 1-3 pages. Be aware that the submission is a two step process. First you must register and submit a tentative title, authors list and abstract. Next, you need to submit your full publication upon acceptance of the abstract by the committee. Full publications will be published online, free of charge, with doi number as soon as possible after acceptance. If you are planning to submit a publication, please use the following template, MODEC Template. Click on the following link to register and/or submit your communication [Submit to MODEC here](#).

All submitted papers should fall under one of the following categories:

- Computational chemistry, Cheminformatics, Bioinformatics and Mathematical modeling
- Organic and Functional Foods
- BioTrade: Natural Products of the Amazon

- Production Systems with Agro-business and Forestry purposes or biomass for energy purposes
Environmental Impacts
- Agro-industrial Development Processes

All summaries should be sent no later than October 1, 2020. The acceptance of a publication will be given October 15, 2020 and completed papers need to be submitted by November 1, 2020. Final acceptance of the finished paper will be given on November 15, 2020 and papers will be published on November 30, 2020.

Chairperson



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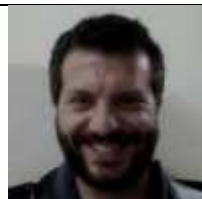


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Mathematical modeling, Computational chemistry, Cheminformatics, and Bioinformatics

The application of computational chemistry, cheminformatics, and bioinformatics to the discovery of new bioactive compounds within the Ecuadorian Amazon ecosystem which can contribute to the identification of natural agents with drug-like bioactivity that will serve to relieve the symptoms of socially relevant diseases. These findings have the potential to enhance the health, well-being, and quality of life for the native population. This section is devoted to, but not limited to the following fields/subjects of study: description of new bio compounds and data sets, (quantum) similarity measures, similarity/diversity searching, clustering algorithms, QSAR techniques, validation metrics, the discovery of enzyme inhibitors, proteasome, tyrosine, computer-aided molecular design, lead optimization, artificial intelligence and machine learning, multi-target approaches, QSPR, QSAR, QSTR, applied computer sciences, and applied statistics.

For the mathematical modeling, papers relating to the use of mathematical tools used to obtain or support the presented results will be shared. These purpose of this research is aimed finding natural products in the Amazonian region of Ecuador linked to agro-industrial processes and the related disciplines such as Chemical Engineering, Biotechnology and environmental processes. The modeling process should strengthen the analysis of the experimental processes in order to describe with adequate precision the processes, phenomena, data, etc. The techniques applied may be statistical or non-statistical consistent with data analysis and computer and communications technologies. The obtained results may be presented in any stage of the model: development, analysis or interpretation.

President



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Organic and Functional Foods

Functional foods have been conceptualized by different researchers and institutions from all over the academic and business worlds. The European Council on Food Information defined functional foods as those that are consumed as part of a normal diet, to provide essential nutrients for life such as proteins with essential amino acids, carbohydrates, fats, vitamins and minerals. They also contain biologically active components that offer health benefits as they reduce the risk of chronic degenerative diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, and cancer among others.

The main components of a successful functional food can be summarized in the following categories:

1. Organic food production.
2. Intestinal Micro Flora Balancing including probiotics, prebiotics and synbiotics.
3. Antioxidants and their impact on health.
4. Dietary fiber as part of a healthy diet.
5. The marketing of healthy, organic food.
6. The health benefits of using the Ecuadorian Amazon as a food source. Submissions should pertain to the above mentioned categories.

President



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BIOTRADE. Natural Products of the Amazon

BioTrade alludes to collection, production, transformation and commercialization activities of goods and services obtained from native biodiversity in terms of environmental, social and economic sustainability. In 1996, the United Nation Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) launched the “BioTrade Initiative” that has been promoting Biotrade at local level with local farmers and producers. The Amazon basin is strongly involved in Biotrade because of its high biodiversity of natural resources and because of the wide number of transformations in the value chain. Ecuador as well as the other Amazonian countries are a promissory expectation for the “Biotrade Initiative”, in light of its high biological resources and related cultural heritage. Some experiences on Biotrade are available and they suggest big opportunities for new incomes for local farmers and producers, as well as for scientific research.

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Production systems with agribusiness and forestry purposes. Biomass for energy purposes.

This workshop pretends to be a meeting point to exchange information about research processes in the use of biomass for renewable energy production in order to foment the development and application of the research activities in the Amazon region in Ecuador. In this context, the workshop tries to cover all aspects related to the use of biomass as a renewable resource, using agro-forest residues to produce clean biofuels.

- Biomass (including waste) recovery and recycling
- Biomass for biofuels (liquid and gaseous)
- Biomass for bio-based chemicals & products
- Thermochemical conversion and pretreatment of biomass
- Bio-refineries and white biotechnology
- Systems approach: biomass systems analysis, life cycle assessment (LCA), carbon accounting
- Industrial applications and up-scaling
- Biomass policy & economics

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Environmental impacts

This workshop brings together engineers, scientists, researchers, students, managers and other professionals in order to address and discuss emerging environmental issues related to agroindustry and petrochemicals processes, waste management, wastewater treatment and cleaner technologies.

Authors are invited to submit papers from the following areas:

- Evaluation of carbon footprint and water footprint management for existent and new technologies.
- Advances in life cycle assessment and life cycle management of agroindustry and petrochemical processes.
- Improved processes through development and usage of "environmentally friendlier" technologies using agriculture waste.
- Sustainability of agroindustry and petrochemicals processes.
- Agriculture and petrochemical waste management.
- Environmental assessment of wastewater treatment.

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Development of agroindustrial processes

To ensure the alimentary security of the global population demands a development of optimized and wisely-designed agroindustrial processes. This upgrading of existing technologies requires a common effort from the scientific community. The alimentary and technical issues associated to agroindustrial processes in Ecuador's Amazon Region are the main drivers for selecting this place as an ideal forum for the discussion and dissemination of knowledge. Therefore, this section encourages scientists to work on improving productivity, efficiency and sustainability of existing and novel agroindustrial processes to submit their works for an open discussion. Papers concerning the reuse and/or valorization of agroindustrial residues, such as: biochar for soil, water and gas treatment and construction materials are very welcomed. This section will pay special attention to those studies concerning to promote strategies for the development and preservation of indigenous communities from the agroindustrial perspective.

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