Supplementary Information

Calculation of energy consumption in different steps of conventional transesterification method:

- 1. **Drying-** Power rating of hot air oven is 500W, when operated for 12h consumed about **6 kWh/kg biomass**
- 2. Cell disruption- Power requirement of sonicator is 125W, operated for 10 mins (0.17 h) to process 0.5g biomass, Therefore, energy consumption= (125W *0.17h)/0.5g

= 42.5 kWh/kg biomass

- 3. Lipid extraction- Power requirement of lipid extractor is 125W, operated for 30min Therefore, energy consumption= 0.0635 kWh for 1.8g biomass (300mg biomass in each of the 6 cups) i.e. 34.72 kWh/kg biomass
- 4. **Transesterification-** Hot plate magnetic stirrer consumes **2.4 kWh/kg biomass** in 4 h with a power requirement of 600W

Total energy consumed in the process= 85.62 kWh

Energy consumption in *In situ* transesterification method:

Drying step is bypassed and lipid extraction step is combined with transesterification.

Cell disruption step is same for both the processes.

Transesterification- Hot plate magnetic stirrer consumes **3.6 kWh/kg biomass** in 6 h with a power requirement of 600W

Total energy consumed in the process= 41.1 kWh