

## Invitation to “Workshop on algal biotechnology and cultivation – A Nordic perspective”

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Dear Colleagues from Academia and Industry interested in algae,

Recently there has been a marked increase in the interest in microalgal biotechnology, *e.g.* the use of microalgae for biofuels and biomolecule production. In order to build on this interest and determine the status of the relevant research in the Nordic countries, we would like to invite you to a workshop on algal biotechnology and cultivation. The need for this workshop is due to that the research and development within this area in the Nordic countries is limited and performed to a large extent by some isolated single researchers. It could be very useful to meet at a workshop where the participants present their activities and can make new contacts to build up and strengthen the network of algal biotechnology in the Nordic countries. The intention is also to invite a leading European researcher to give a plenary lecture. Now, we in the interim organizing committee would like to determine the interest from who are working with algal biotechnology and cultivation in a broad sense, including fundamental” researchers” in the microalgal field, to participate in the workshop and present what you do. If you have ideas about special areas or subjects that need to be covered or persons that should be contacted please inform us. Send an e-mail to Eva ([Eva.Albers@chalmers.se](mailto:Eva.Albers@chalmers.se)), telling your interest to participate and attaching an abstract presenting your research and activities and maybe some recent data. Even if you can't join us this particular date, please send us an abstract and your contact details and we will include you in the network. We will put together a broad program covering as many aspects as possible and provide printed copies of the abstracts to all participants. To be able to include abstracts in the abstract collection we need to have them at latest 13 October. Information of the workshop will be posted on the homepage of the Industrial Biotechnology group at Chalmers (<http://www.chalmers.se/chem/EN/divisions/industrial-biotechnology/events>). Please, forward this invitation to others that may have an interest to participate. Very welcome!

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