

Title (en)

METHOD FOR INCREASING THE CONTENT OF FATTY ACIDS IN PLANTS AND MICRO-ORGANISMS

Title (de)

VERFAHREN ZUR ERHÖHUNG DES GEHALTS AN FETTSÄUREN IN PFLANZEN UND MIKROORGANISMEN

Title (fr)

PROCEDE POUR AUGMENTER LA TENEUR EN ACIDES GRAS DES PLANTES ET DES MICRO-ORGANISMES

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO0151647A2] The invention relates to DNA sequences which code for a protein having the enzymatic activity of a beta -ketoacyl-ACP synthase (KAS) of the enzyme complex of the fatty acid synthase (FAS). The invention also relates to transgenic plants and micro-organisms which contain nucleic acid sequences that code for proteins having the activity of a beta -ketoacyl-ACP(<i>(acyl carrier protein)</i>) synthase (KAS) of the enzyme complex of the fatty acid synthase (FAS). The invention further relates to a method for influencing the fatty acid pattern and/or for increasing the fatty acid content, especially the content of short and middle chain fatty acids, in plants, especially in seed tissues and other tissue that synthesise and/or store triacylglycerines, as well as in micro-organisms, especially bacteria and algae. The inventive method comprises the expression of proteins having the activity of a KAS of the enzyme complex of the fatty acid synthase in transgenic plants or micro-organisms.

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