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Professor Presents at National Biomass Conference

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Cal Poly Civil and Environmental Engineering Professor Tryg Lundquist updated a study that looked at the economics of building a large-scale algae production facility during the opening of the Algae Biomass Summit conference in Seattle Oct. 23.

Lundquist summarized the results as “expensive.” His projections show algae oil will cost \$9 to \$16 a gallon, not including the cost of processing it into biodiesel.

A system using algae to capture nutrients as part of waste water treatment would have a capital cost of \$36 million. The cost for a stand alone algae facility would be similar, he estimated.

[Read coverage of the conference in Biodiesel Magazine](#)

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