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Sommario/riassunto

Corynebacterium glutamicum is most widely known for its role in the industrial production of L-glutamate and L-lysine and as a platform organism for the production of a variety of fine chemicals, biofuels and polymers. The organism's accessibility to genetic manipulation has resulted in a wealth of data on its metabolism and regulatory networks; this in turn makes *C. glutamicum* the model organism of choice in white biotechnology. A key development in recent years has been the engineering of *C. glutamicum* to utilize a broader spectrum of carbon sources (e.g. glycerol, galactose and pentose suga
