

## UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

# New lignin-based sustainable materials: science and technological aspects

86R-XXXVI-LBSM

Aims

## Contents

Lignin is the second most abundant organic macromolecule in nature. Its extraction tends to increase worldwide, demanding new applications for an efficient lignin use. This course gives an overview on the whole lignin life cycle, from biosynthesis to industrial applications .In particular, the following subjects will be developed:

- -Chemistry of lignocellulosic materials
- -Lignin biosynthesis, chemical structures and reactivity
- -Lignin extraction processes (kraft, alkaline, organosolv)
- -Main techniques in Lignin characterization (FT-IR, GPC, 31P-NMR,13C-NMR, 2D-HSQC, EPR, SEM, ICP-AES)
- -Plasma technology for lignin modification: plasma treatment aimed to surface functionalization for ligninbased composites
- -Sustainability initiative in SABIC: certified polymers (bio-renewable and circular polymers) and bio-based polymers (PE-starch blendsand PE-lignin blends).

## **Detailed program**

#### Prerequisites

1 CFU, 8 hours, language: English.

## Teaching form

1 CFU, 8 ore, corso erogato in lingua italiana.

## Textbook and teaching resource

#### Semester

#### Assessment method

Oral colloquium.

## Office hours