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Preface

In the intricate annals of biological processes, photosynthesis is one of the fascinating and scientifically captivating phenomena. Microbial Photosynthesis: From Basic Biology to Artificial Cell Factories and Industrial Applications, delve into the very essence of this remarkable phenomenon. This meticulously crafted book unfurls in three distinct parts, each encapsulating a facet of microbial photosynthesis. The chapters in Part I explore deep into the evolution, classification, and physiology of photosynthetic microbes. From the structural intricacies of microbial photosystem complexes to the elegant mechanisms of photosynthetic CO₂ fixation in unicellular organisms, these chapters serve as the foundation for applied photosynthesis. Part II ascends to the next level of comprehension, wherein the chapters investigate the practical applications of microbial photosynthesis. Techniques in photosynthetic physiology and innovative cultivation strategies are unveiled, laying the basis for sustainable resource utilization. The chapters dedicated to wastewater treatment and nutrient recovery, through cyanobacteria and microalgae, illuminate how these microorganisms can spearhead the charge towards a more sustainable future. Part III deals with the cutting-edge horizons of microbial photosynthesis. Genetic and metabolic engineering, as presented in Chap. 8, are the tools of the future to enhance the efficiency and potential of this biological process. The concept of industrial symbiosis, as elucidated in Chap. 9, sheds light on the circular economy forged by photosynthetic microbial biorefineries. And Chap. 10 ventures into the frontier of artificial photosynthesis—a complex interplay between photon energy and bioreactors that holds the promise of revolutionizing global energy landscape.

Throughout the book, the readers will encounter the findings and opinions of distinguished experts whose research contributions have provided valuable insights on photosynthesis and reflect a vision of the future. Our perspectives on the research topics of this book are helpful to transform industries and catalyze environmental sustainability. The contents of this book are highly useful to graduate students and scholars working in the areas of improving photosynthetic efficiency of microbes.

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Abbreviations

3HP-4HB 3-hydroxypropionate-4-hydroxybutyrate ABS/RC Absorption Flux per Reaction Center

ACCase Acetyl-CoA carboxylase AEM Anion exchange membrane

ALRs Airlift reactors

ARDS Acute respiratory distress syndrome
ARE Antioxidant responsive element
ASFV African swine fever virus
ATP Adenosine triphosphate

ATP Adenosine triphosphate BBES Balanced Bioenergy System

BBNC Bioprocess and Biorefinery Nexus Consortium

BESs Bioelectrochemical systems
BET Bioelectrochemical treatment
BOD Biochemical oxygen demand

 C_{10} Geranyl diphosphate C_{15} Farnesyl diphosphate C_{20} Geranylgeranyl diphosphate

CAM Crassulacean acid metabolism

Car Carotenoids

CBCRs Cyanobacteriochromes CCA Chromatic acclimation

CCM CO₂ concentrating mechanism

CEF Cyclic electron flow

CEM Cation exchange membrane

Chl Chlorophyll Chlide Chlorophyllide

COD Chemical oxygen demand Copro Coproporphyrinogen

CpSRP Chloroplast signal recognition particle

CRISPR Clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats

Cyt Cytochrome

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DAO Direct anodic oxidation

DCMU (3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-1,1-dimethylurea)

DHA Docosahexaenoic acid

DIO/RC Dissipated Energy Flux per Reaction Center

DMAPP Dimethylallyl pyrophosphate

DOE Department of Energy
DPA Docosapentaenoic acid
DSA Dimensionally stable anodes
EAB Electrochemically active bacteria

EFCs Enzymatic fuel cells

EMCV Encephalomyocarditis RNA virus

EPA Eicosapentaenoic acid EPS Exopolysaccharides ETC Electron transfer chain

ETC/RC Electron Transport Flux per Reaction Center

 F_0 Initial fluorescence F_0/F_m Fluorescence parameter FACE Free air CO_2 enrichment FAD Flavin adenine dinucleotide

FADGDH Flavin adenine dinucleotide-dependent glucose

dehydrogenases

FaRLip Far red-light photoacclimation FBPase Fructose 1,6-bisphosphatase

Fd Ferredoxin

FDPs Flavodiiron proteins F_J Fluorescence value

FLIM Fluorescence lifetime imaging microscopy

Fm Measure maximum fluorescence FNR Ferredoxin-NADH⁺ reductase FP Peak fluorescence level

Ft Measure steady-state fluorescence yield during light exposure

Fv Fluorescence Fx, F_A, F_B Iron sulfur clusters

G₃P Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate

GAG Glycosaminoglycans

GAPDH Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase

GLA γ-linolenic acid

Glu-R Glutamyl-tRNA reductase GOGAT Glutamate synthase GS Glutamine synthetase

GSA Glutamic acid 1-semialdehyde GST-α1 Glutathione-S-transferase-α1

HBV Hepatitis B virus HHV-3 Human α herpesvirus 3 H_2S Hydrogen sulfide Abbreviations xxi

HMF Hydroxymethylfurfural HO-1 Heme oxygenase **HRAP** High-rate algal pond Hydraulic retention time **HRT** Herpes simplex virus **HSV** HTA Hexadecatrienoic acid IPP Isopentenyl diphosphate **IRGA** Infrared gas analyzer Light-enhanced respiration LER Linear/Cyclic electron transfer LET/CET LHC Light-harvesting complex

LHCR LHC receptors
LPS Lipopolysaccharide

MAAs Mycosporine-like amino acids MAP Mitogen-activated protein MDCs Microbial desalination cells MECs Microbial electrolysis cells MEP Methyl erythritol 4-phosphate MES Microbial electrosynthesis

METs Manufacturing of bio-based goods

MFCs Microbial fuel cells MMe Monomethyl ester

MRSA Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus

MSCs Microbial solar cells

MUFA Mono-unsaturated fatty acids MuLV Murine leukemia virus

MVA Mevalonate

NADH/NADPH Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide/phosphate hydrogen

NF-KB Nuclear transcription factor-KB
NIR Near-infrared fluorescence

NPQ Non-photochemical chlorophyll fluorescence quenching

NOO-1 Ouinone oxidoreductase

NSAIDs Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs

OEC Oxygen-evolving complex
OMBRs Osmotic membrane bioreactors

PA Palmitoleic acid

PAM Pulse amplitude modulation

PBG Porphobilinogen
PBS Phycobilisomes
PC Plastocyanin
Pchilde Protochlorophyllide
PHA Polyhydroxyalkanoate
PHB Polyhydroxy butyrate

Pi Phosphate

PI Performance index

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PI_{ABS} Performance index

PMBC Peripheral blood mononuclear cells

PMFCs Plant microbial fuel cells

PPFD Photosynthetic photon flux density

PQQ-ADH Pyrroquinoline quinone-dependent alcohol dehydrogenase

Phosphoribulokinase PRK Proto Protoporphyrin Protoporphyrinogen Protogen PS Polysaccharides PS I Photosystem I PS II Photosystem II PsaA PSI protein A **PsaB** PSI protein B

PTOX Plastoquinone (plastid) terminal oxidase

PUFA Poly-unsaturated fatty acids

 $\begin{array}{lll} PVC & Polyvinyl \ chloride \\ Q_A & Quinone \ acceptor \\ Q_B & Plastoquinone \ B \\ QBH_2 & Reduced \ hydroquinone \\ ROS & Reactive \ oxygen \ species \end{array}$

RPP Reductive pentose phosphate cycle

RSV-A/B Respiratory syncytial virus

RuBISCO Ribulose-1,5-bisphosphate carboxylase/oxygenase

RuBP Ribulose-1,5 bisphosphate SBPase Sedoheptulose-1,7-bisphosphate

SCP Single cell protein TAG Triacylglycerols

TALENs Transcription activator like endonucleases TR₀/RC Trapped Energy Flux per Reaction Center

UM Urban metabolism Uro Uroporphyrinogen VACV Vaccinia virus

VEGF Vascular endothelial growth factor
VHSV Hemorrhagic septicemia virus
VSV Vesicular stomatitis virus
ZFN Zinc-finger nuclease

ΔpH Trans-thylakoid proton gradient

φD0 Quantum Yield of Non-Radiative Energy Dissipation

φΕ0 Quantum Yield of Electron Transport
 φP0 Quantum Yield of Primary Photochemistry