

## Supplementary information

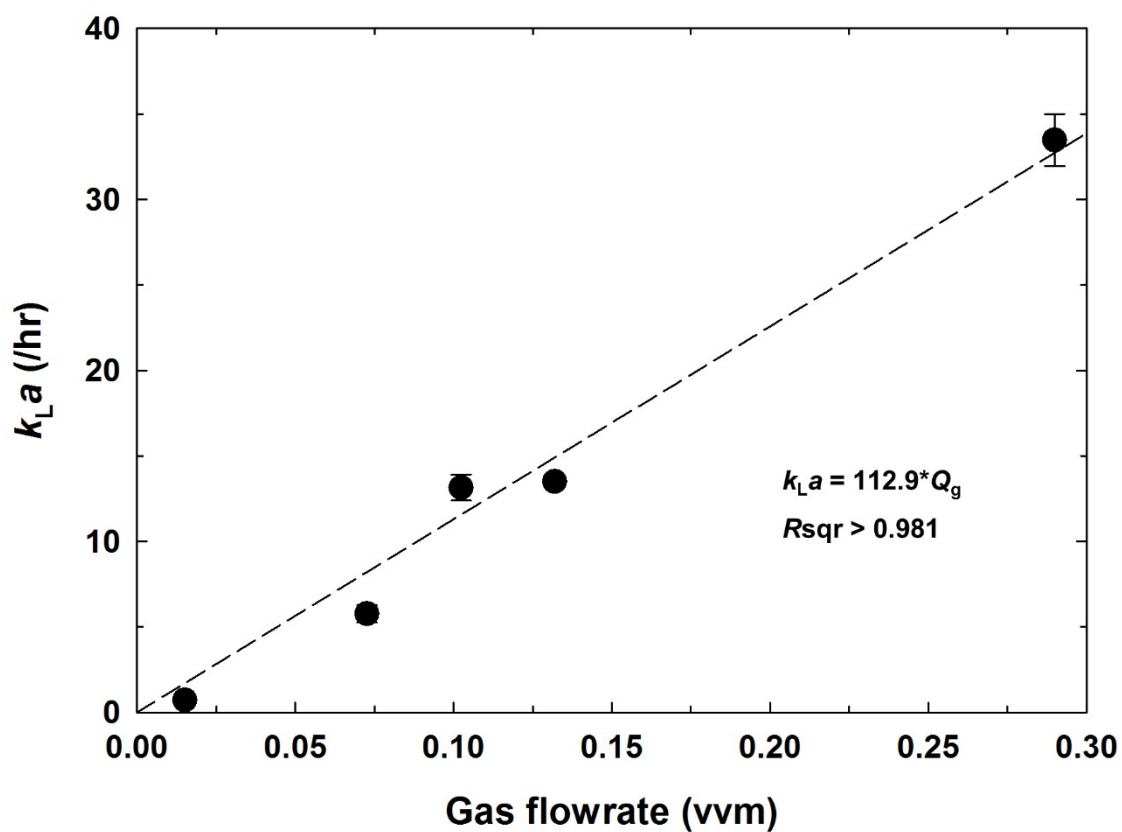
The following is included as additional **Supplementary information** for this paper

### Figure Legends

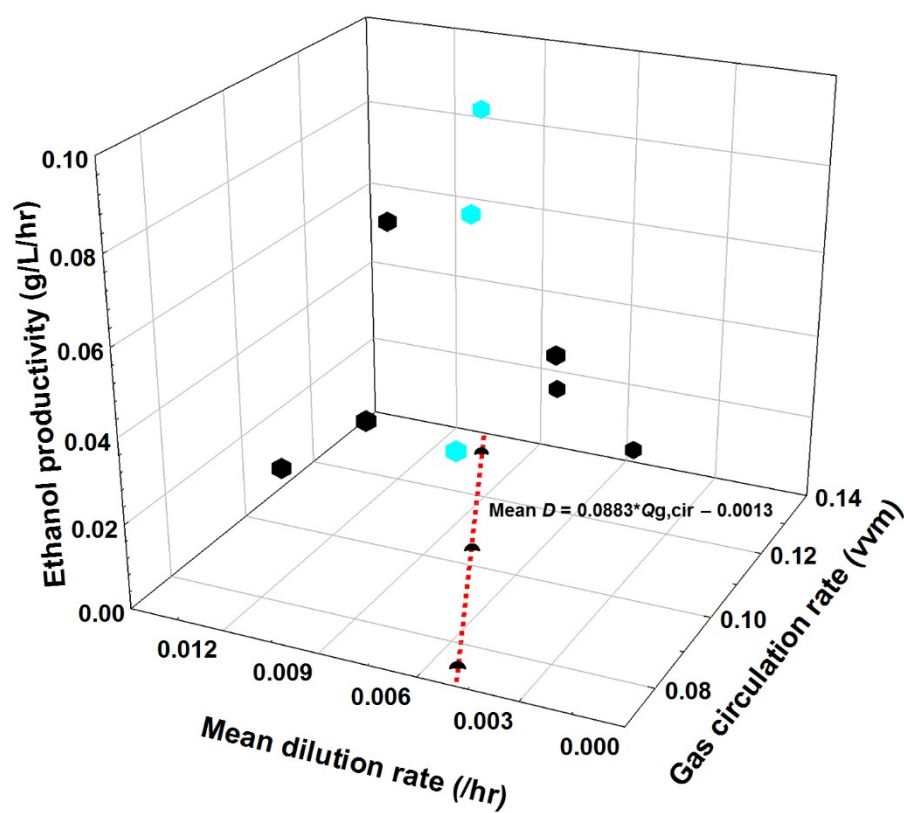
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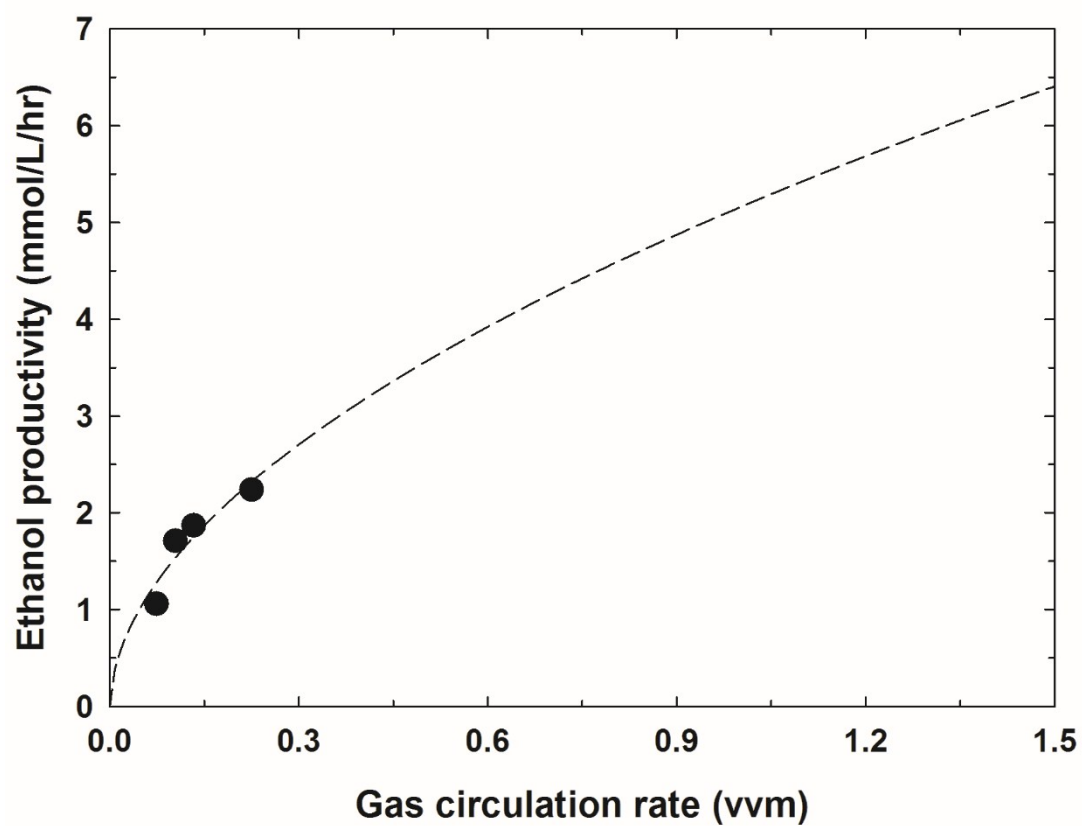
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### Table Legends

**Table. S1.** Price of chemical compounds according to medium composition. Prices of chemicals were mainly taken from the prices of the bulk products of Duksan chemicals (Korea), Samchun chemicals (Korea), Daejungchem (Korea), KANTO chemicals (Japan), Wako chemicals (Japan) and Sigma-Aldrich.

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Chemicals	Price (\$/L)		
	1x	10x	20x
<b>General</b>			
Yeast extract	0.0120000	0.0120000	0.0120000
NaCl*	0.0015748	0.0157480	0.0314961
MgSO <sub>4</sub> *	0.0004147	0.0041471	0.0082942
CaCl <sub>2</sub> *	0.0010105	0.0101050	0.0202100
NH <sub>4</sub> Cl*	0.0041032	0.0410324	0.0820647
K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub>	0.0091433	0.0091433	0.0091433
Resazurin	0.0000098	0.0000098	0.0000098
L-Cysteine-HCl	0.1058618	0.1058618	0.1058618
<b>Trace minerals</b>			
Nitrilotriacetic acid*	0.0018750	0.0187500	0.0375000
FeSO <sub>4</sub> ·7H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000026	0.0000262	0.0000525
MnCl <sub>2</sub> ·4H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000066	0.0000656	0.0001312
CoCl <sub>2</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0001339	0.0013386	0.0026772
ZnCl <sub>2</sub> *	0.0000066	0.0000656	0.0001312
CaCl <sub>2</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000355	0.0003552	0.0007104
CuCl <sub>2</sub> ·2H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000057	0.0000570	0.0001141
H <sub>3</sub> BO <sub>3</sub> *	0.0000003	0.0000031	0.0000061
Na <sub>2</sub> MoO <sub>4</sub> *	0.0000606	0.0006060	0.0012120
Na <sub>2</sub> SeO <sub>4</sub> *	0.0000231	0.0002310	0.0004619
NiSO <sub>4</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000028	0.0000279	0.0000558
NaCl*	0.0000175	0.0001750	0.0003500
MnSO <sub>4</sub> ·H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000962	0.0009624	0.0019248
Fe(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0001141	0.0011409	0.0022817
ZnSO <sub>4</sub> ·7H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000086	0.0000857	0.0001715
NiCl <sub>2</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O*	0.0000057	0.0000570	0.0001141
Na <sub>2</sub> WO <sub>4</sub> *	0.0003180	0.0031800	0.0063600
<b>Vitamin solution</b>			
Biotin	0.0003264	0.0003264	0.0003264
Folic acid	0.0000173	0.0000173	0.0000173
Pyridoxine HCl	0.0000008	0.0000008	0.0000008
Thiamine HCl	0.0000768	0.0000768	0.0000768
Riboflavin	0.0000060	0.0000060	0.0000060
Nicotinic acid	0.0000013	0.0000013	0.0000013
Pantothenic acid	0.0005432	0.0005432	0.0005432
Cyanocobalamin	0.0004411	0.0004411	0.0004411
p-aminobenzoic acid	0.0000012	0.0000012	0.0000012
Lipoic acid	0.0002165	0.0002165	0.0002165
<b>Total cost (\$)</b>	<b>0.1384615</b>	<b>0.2268053</b>	<b>0.3249650</b>

\* Concentration reinforced