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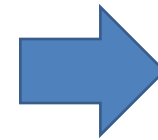
INDONESIA'S ALGAE-BASED BIOFUEL RESOURCE POTENTIAL

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APPLICABILITY IN INDONESIA

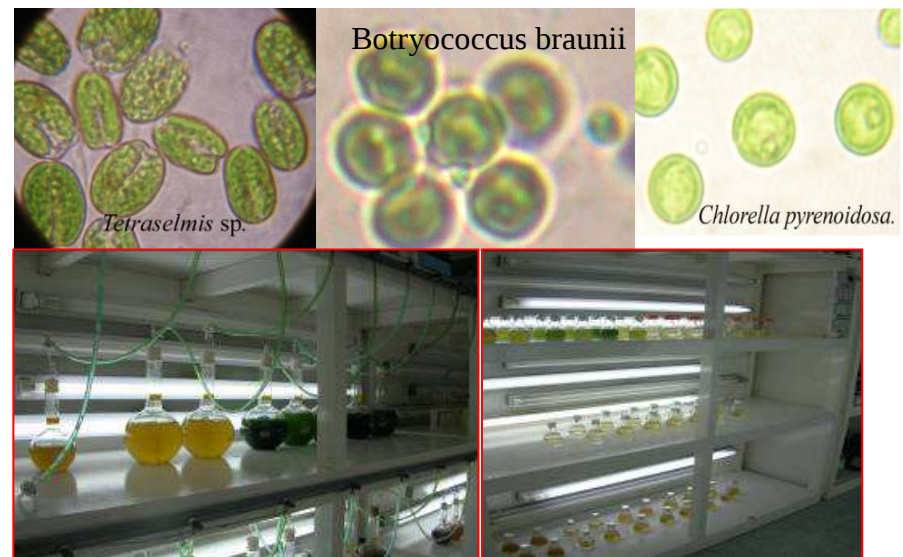
- Archipelago country with the length of coastal area more than 80,000 km
- Tropical climate, with high sunlight exposure and relatively constant temperatures in the whole year
- Abundant microalgae varieties (fresh/brackish water, marine)
- Availability of other resources: CO₂, land, water



Suitable conditions
for microalgae

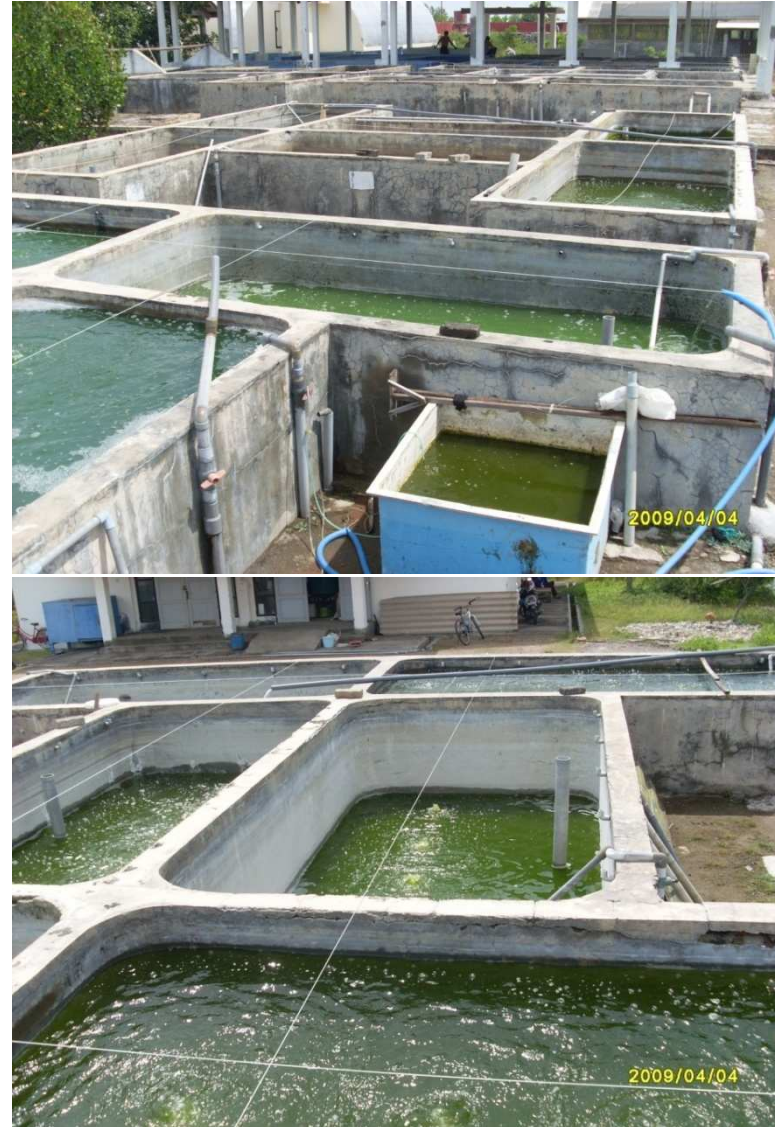
MICROALGAE VARIETIES

- Potential of 24 marine microalgae species as biofuels resources is under investigation
- More than 500 samples of microalgae from fresh/brackish water from different areas have been analyzed
- *Nannochloropsis* sp., *Chlorella* sp., *Tetraselmis* sp., *Botryococcus braunii* sp., typical microalgae that gain interest to be investigated as possible resource of biodiesel



MASS CULTURE

- Marine microalgae culture is well established especially in hatchery industries. Usually cultured in open deep concrete ponds
- Fresh/brackish water microalgae used for waste water treatment and other purposes, mostly cultured in inland areas with shallow ponds
- Basic technologies are applied by traditional farmers in hatchery industries, while mass culture in photo bioreactors is not popular.





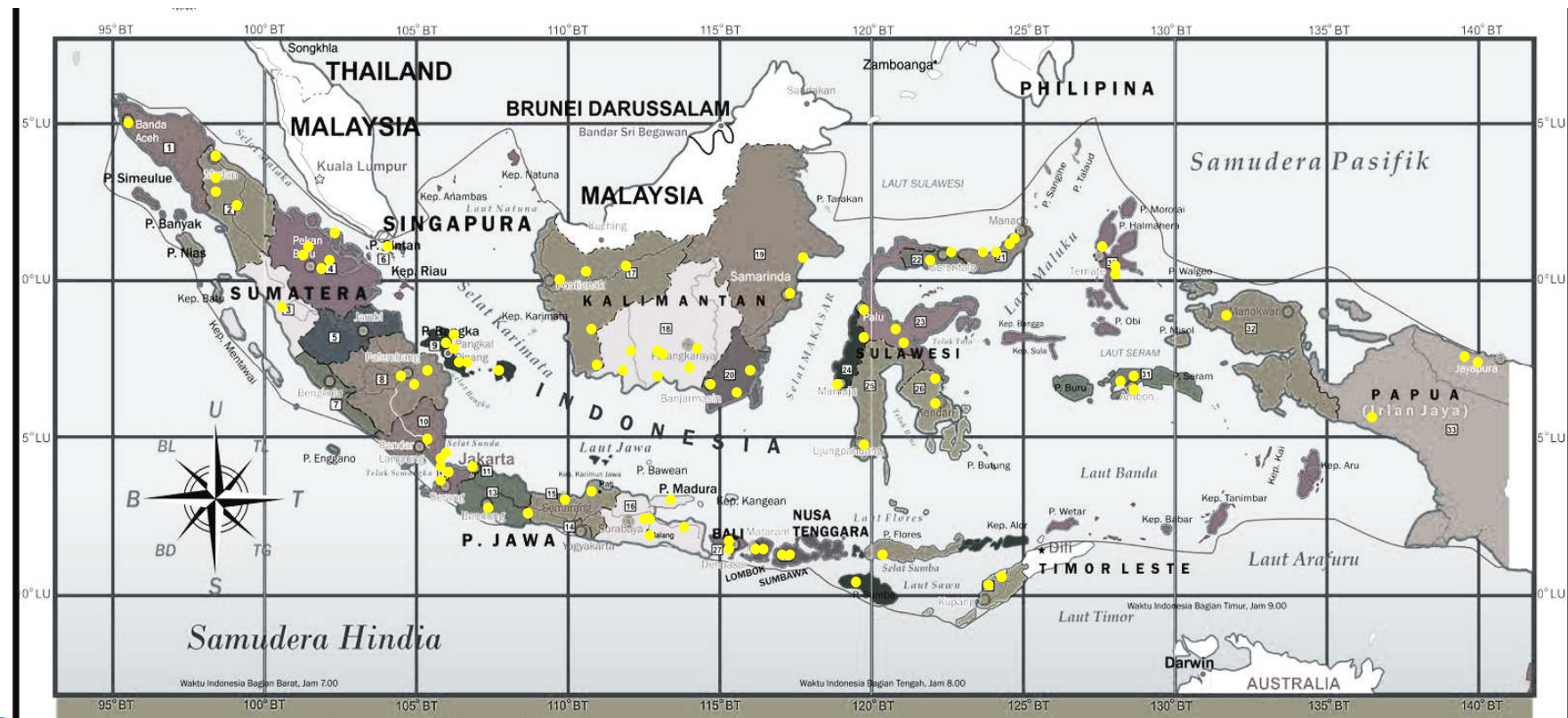
Nannochloropsis oculata culture at Research Institute for Marine Culture Gondol-Bali, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries



Chaetoceros sp (diatom) culture at Research Institute for Marine Culture Gondol-Bali, Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries

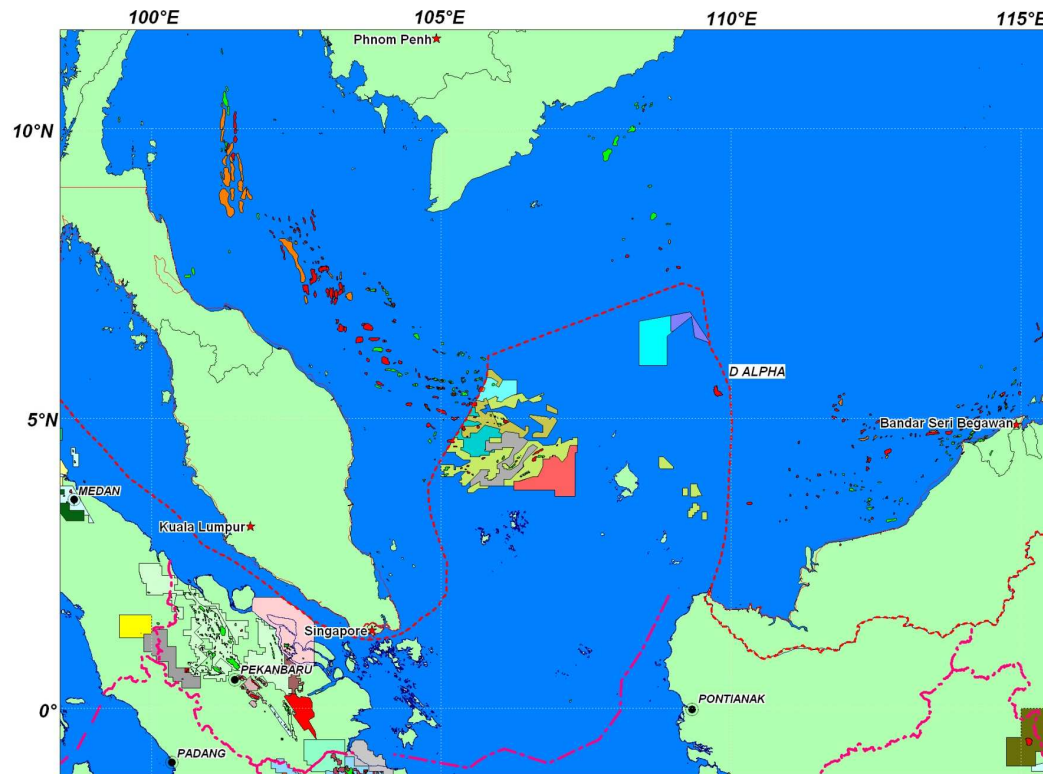
CO₂ RESOURCES (Power Plants)

- Coal power plants (existings/on-going projects) located accross the country
- In 2009, national CO₂ emission from power generation reached 116 Mill Mton*.



CO₂ RESOURCES (Oil/Gas Field)

- Natural gas/ associated gas may contain high amount of CO₂
- CO₂ content in natural gas from Natuna gas field is estimated to be 70% (or 72 mill.ton per year)



SUITABLE PARAMETER FOR MARINE MICROALGAE PRODUCTION

Parameters	Range	Optima	Indonesia
Temperature (C)	20 - 32	27 – 29	28-30 (sea water)
Salinity (ppt)	12 – 40	30-31	30-33 (sea water)
Light intensity (lux)	1000 – 10,000	2.500 – 5,000	
Light : dark, (hours)		24 : 0 (maximum)	12:12 (coastal area)
pH	7 - 9	8.2 – 8.7	8.2-8.4 (sea water)

WATER/LAND RESOURCES

- In case deep concrete ponds is used for marine /brackish microalgae culture, the amount of water and land required is estimated below, with assumptions that yield of oil extraction can reach 30%
- Better system production design is expected to reduce the water needs significantly

Microalgae type	Oil Prod. [Ton/y]	Fresh sea water [Ton/y]	Fresh water [Ton/y]	Land for ponds [m2]
Marine	1000	2,200,000	-	120,000
Brackish	1000	1,500,000	700,000	120,000

CLOSING

- Marine microalgae has better potential to be developed in Indonesia compare to freshwater type, in terms of CO₂, water and land resources
- Indonesia has long experience in marine microalgae culture for hatchery
- Indonesia 's climate and its geographic is favorable to develop low cost production system of microalgae-based biofuel
- In recent years, the research works on microalgae for biofuel especially for lipid production has gained more interests.

THANK YOU