
Metsäakatemia visits Aalto University

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12 600

full-time equivalent
degree students

A staff of more than **4 000**,
of which nearly **400** are
professors. Share of
international academic
faculty is **47%**.

Our community in numbers

Each year our students earn about
200 doctoral degrees,
1 800 master's degrees,
1 500 bachelor's degrees and
300 MBA and EMBA certificates.

Six dynamic schools

School of Arts, Design and Architecture
architecture, art and media, design, film

School of Business
accounting, economics, finance, management studies, marketing, information and service management

School of Chemical Engineering
bioproducts and biosystems, chemistry and materials science, chemical and metallurgical engineering

School of Electrical Engineering
communications and networking, electronics and nanoengineering, electrical engineering and automation, signal processing and acoustics

School of Engineering
built environment, civil engineering, mechanical engineering

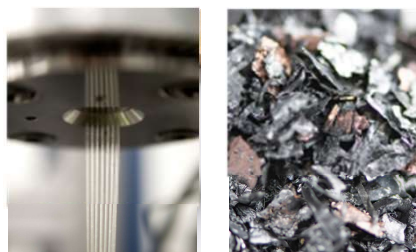
School of Science
applied physics, computer science, industrial engineering and management, mathematics and systems analysis, neuroscience and biomedical engineering

School of Chemical Engineering
Catalyst of Change

Research focus areas of the School of Chemical Engineering

Biomass refining and advanced lignocellulosic materials

Driving Excellence: 3 ERCs, FinnCERES Flagship, Bioinnovation Center
Impact & sustainability: Valorization of lignocellulose materials and Solutions with corporates
Radical creativity: CHEMARTS 10 years
Entrepreneurial mind: Research to Business funding, loncel pilot and startups, ERC PoC



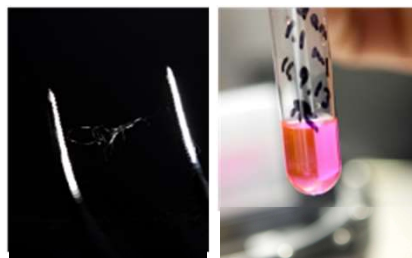
Ca. 85 M€ total cumulative
Project portfolio in 2022

Chemical and metallurgical engineering

Driving Excellence: Leading role in national and global engineering clusters: BATCircle 2.0, large EU projects
Impact & sustainability: Neste partnership, BATCircle, catalytic and recycling solutions with corporates
Radical creativity: Profiling professorship for Circular chemical engineering
Entrepreneurial mind: loncell pilot

Molecular bioscience and Industrial biotechnology

Driving Excellence: 2 ERC, 2 Novonordisk
Impact & sustainability: next generation biocatalysis, processes and materials
Radical creativity: New silk, CHEMARTS
Entrepreneurial mind: Research to Business funding



Chemistry for energy materials and functional materials

Driving Excellence: 2 ERC, large EU projects, ALD expertise
Impact & sustainability: New energy materials and storage
Radical creativity: Virtual laboratory environment
Entrepreneurial mind: Research to Business funding

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Key figures 2023

(end of year)

Personnel:

Professors 40 (female 11) Doctoral students ~130 Undergraduates ~1480 Staff ~460

Research:

Peer reviewed articles 407
4 ERC grants
8 Patents and 18 inventions disclosures

Completed Degrees:

118 Bachelors
199 Masters
28 Doctors

Infrastructures:

Bioeconomy and RAMI Research Infrastructures on the national RI roadmap

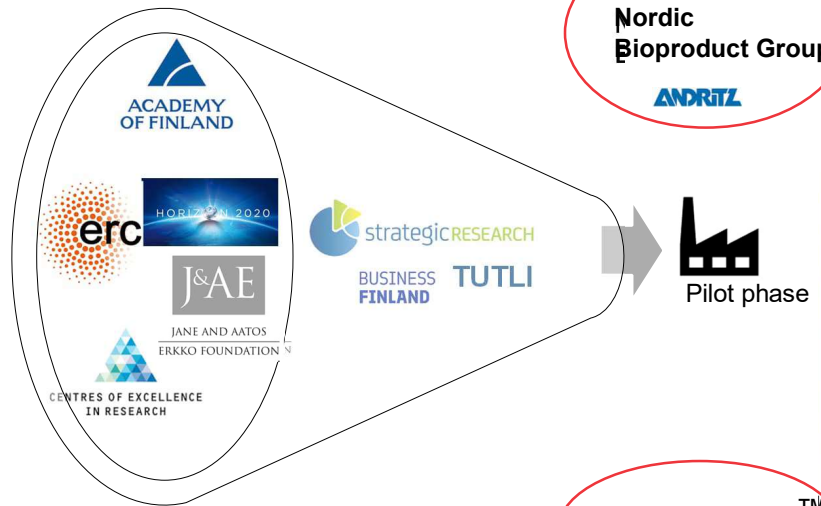
Total funding 40.9 M€

External funding ~21 M€ (Corporates, EU, Business Finland, Academy of Finland)

FinnCERES Flagship:

Redefining the Bioeconomy with advanced bio-based materials

From fundamental research to innovations



AaltoCell
Nordic
Bioproduct Group
ANDRITZ



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FinnCERES Flagship

Funded by the Research Council of Finland

Host organizations: Aalto and VTT

29 Member and collaborator companies and institutions.

FinnCERES uncovers answers to fundamental questions about lignocellulose disassembly and re-assembly to create cost-competitive, bio-based materials for sustainable future.

Research themes:

Future Biorefineries

Clean Air and Water

Lignocellulosics Beyond Plastics

Electronics, Optics and Energy Applications



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