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## ABSTRACT

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Biodiesel is a rapidly growing renewable energy source in Indonesia. However, its instability during storage is still an issue that needs to be solved. The currently available antioxidant in the market are mostly insoluble in oil-based samples, thus it is not very applicable for biodiesel. In the previous research, the synthesis of a new antioxidant product resulted in pyrogallol derivative. It is a modified, soluble antioxidant in biodiesel that is formed from the reaction between pyrogallol and methyl linoleate using 2,2-diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl. Pyrogallol derivative, when applied to biodiesel, shows excellent results and has the potential to be widely used in the biodiesel industry in Indonesia. In this research, an upscaling of the pyrogallol derivative production was designed and calculated from the production, process equipment selection, marketing plan as well as financial plan. The designed plant, when running for 8 hours a day, 25 days in a month, have a capacity of 958 kg/month. This is enough to supply 60% of the biodiesel quota in Indonesia.

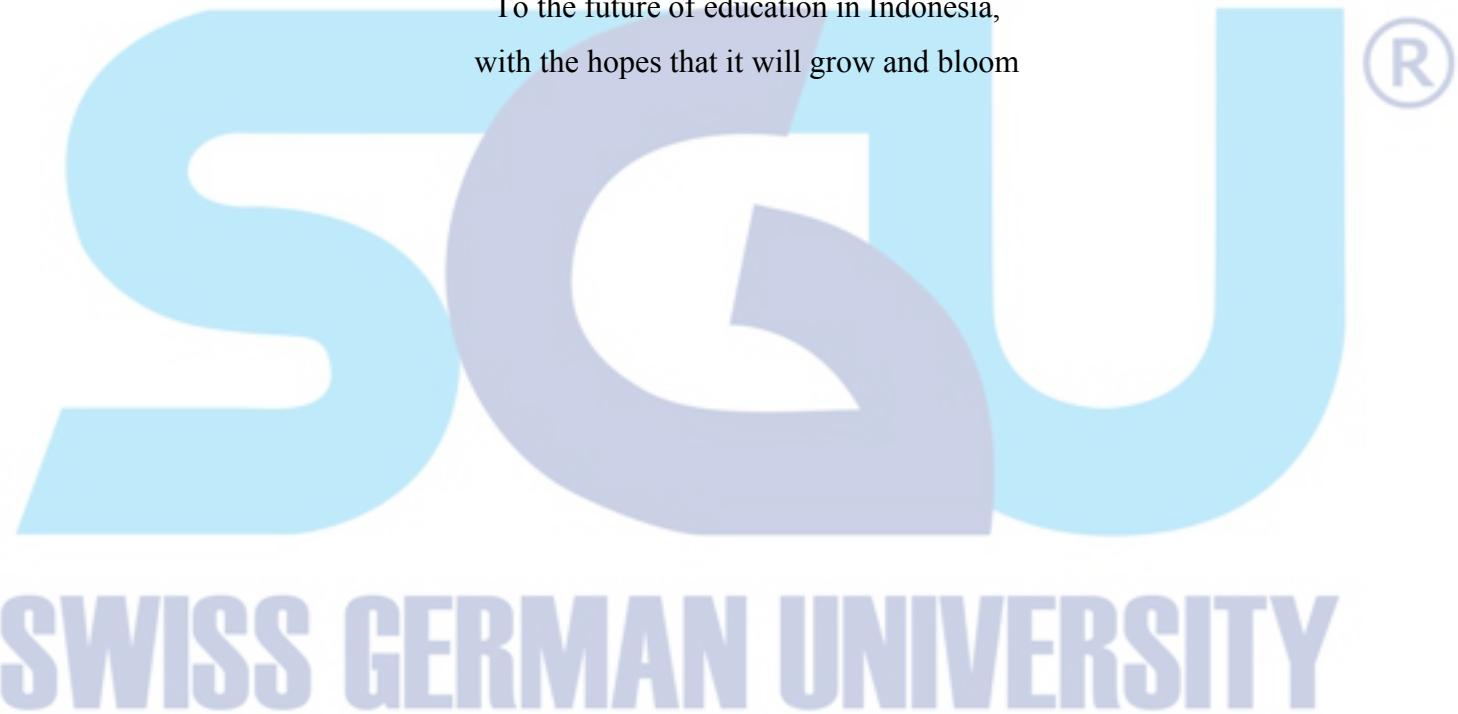
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