

Session	Start-ups/SMEs looking for Finance: pre-seed/angel/seed funding
Title	Make chemical manufacturing more efficient with biocatalysis
Company	Enzyan Biocatalysis GmbH
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(max. 2)	
Keywords technology	small molecules
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End-Product (max 2)	

Abstract:

Enzyan develops novel manufacturing processes for fine chemicals and pharmaceutical active ingredients based on biocatalytic cascade technology. This approach enables efficient multistep reactions in fewer reactor operations, reducing waste, energy demand, and reliance on hazardous chemicals. Conventional stepwise synthesis processes are often complex, resource-intensive, and associated with high CO_2 emissions, whereas Enzyan's technology offers safer, more sustainable, and more economical alternatives. As a model project, Enzyan focuses on the production of triptans, a class of tryptamine-based pharmaceuticals with high economic relevance. By advancing this process from proof-of-concept to technology implementation at a licensee's manufacturing site, Enzyan aims to validate its platform and establish robust workflows and expertise that can be extended to other compounds. Through this work, Enzyan positions itself as a pioneer of environmentally friendly process innovation, supporting the long-term resilience and competitiveness of the European chemical and pharmaceutical industry.