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ABSTRACT

Chemical and physical characteristics of some compression-ignition fuels derived from vegetable oils are recorded and some relationships between them established. From consideration of the literature relating to spark-ignition engine performance and its dependence upon hydrocarbon fuel structure, guidelines are proposed for the chemical structure requirements of compression-ignition engine fuels derived from plant seed oils.

The process of exchanging the organic group R" of an ester with the organic group R' of an alcohol is called Transesterification. These reactions are often catalyzed by the addition of acid or base catalyst. The reaction can also be accomplished with the help of enzymes (biocatalysts) particularly lipases.

The guidelines have proved successful in predicting the ignition quality of a range of vegetable oil fuels evaluated by means of performance curves.