

# **CEN-CHE 422**

# **ENZYME ENGINEERING**

# **ENZYME REACTORS-1**

# CLASSIFICATION OF ENZYME REACTORS

## *Operation Modes:*

- ✓ **Batch**
- ✓ **Continuous**
- ✓ **Fed-batch**

## *Hydrodynamics :*

- ✓ **Back-mixed**
- ✓ **Plug Flow**

## *Phases:*

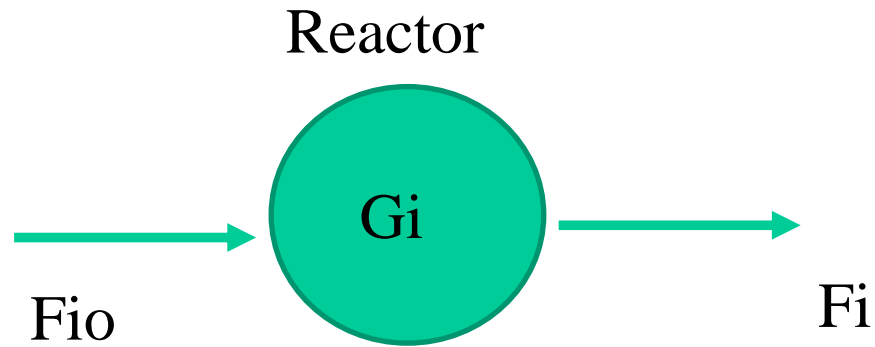
- ✓ **2-phase reactors (Stirred-tank; Bubble column, Packed-bed reactors)**
- ✓ **3-phase reactors (Stirred tank, Trickle bed, Fluidized bed)**

# ***Parameters affecting the reactor selection***

- ✓ **Manufacturing and operating expenses of the reactor (substrate, separation processes, labor)**
- ✓ **Reaction kinetics**
- ✓ **Enzyme type (free or immobilized)**
- ✓ **Characteristics of the immobilization matrix, pH and temperature control, enzyme, substrate and product stability during operation**

# **MATERIAL BALANCE IN ENZYME REACTORS**

*Isotherm conditions*

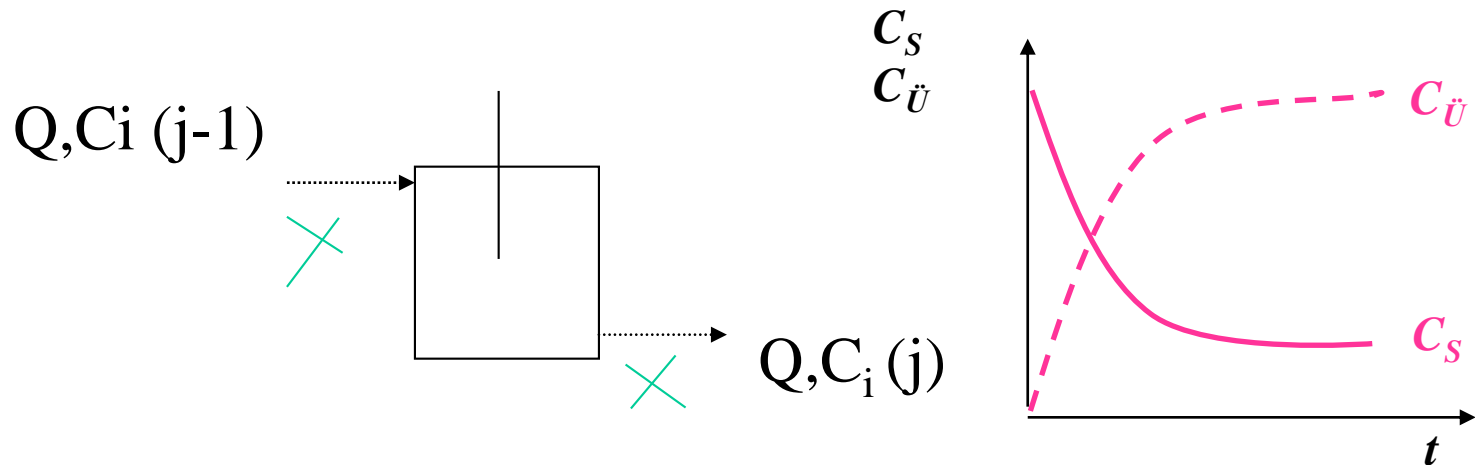


Rate of flow of  $i$  into the system (moles/time) + Rate of *generation* of  $i$  by chemical reaction within the system (moles/time) - Rate of flow of  $i$  out of the system (moles/time) =

$$F_{i0} - F_i + G_i = \frac{dN_i}{dt}$$

Rate of *accumulation* of  $i$  within the system (moles/time)

# Batch Enzyme Reactor Mass Balance:



$$QC_{i(j-1)} - QC_{i(j)} + r_i V_J = \frac{dN_{i(j)}}{dt}$$

$$QC_{i(j-1)} - QC_{i(j)} + r_i V_J = \frac{d(VC_i)_j}{dt}$$

$i =$  component

$J =$  reactor no

$V =$  Reactor volume

$Q =$  Volumetric flow rate

$C =$  concentration

$N =$  mole number

No input and output of reactants!

$$r_i V_J = V \frac{dC_{i(t)}}{dt} \quad \text{Liquid phase reaction}$$

$$r_i = \frac{dC_i}{dt}$$

for  $i=S$  and MM kinetics:

$$r_S = -\frac{dC_S}{dt} = -\frac{r_{\max} C_S}{K_m + C_S}$$



$$r_{\max} dt = -\frac{(K_m + C_S)}{C_S} dC_S$$

$$r_{\max} t = -\int_{C_{S0}}^{C_S} \frac{K_m}{C_S} dC_S - \int_{C_{S0}}^{C_S} dC_S$$

$$r_{\max} t = -K_m \ln \frac{C_S}{C_{S0}} - (C_S - C_{S0})$$

$$r_{\max} t = K_m \ln \frac{C_{S0}}{C_S} + (C_{S0} - C_S)$$

*Time variation of substrate concentration in batch reactor*