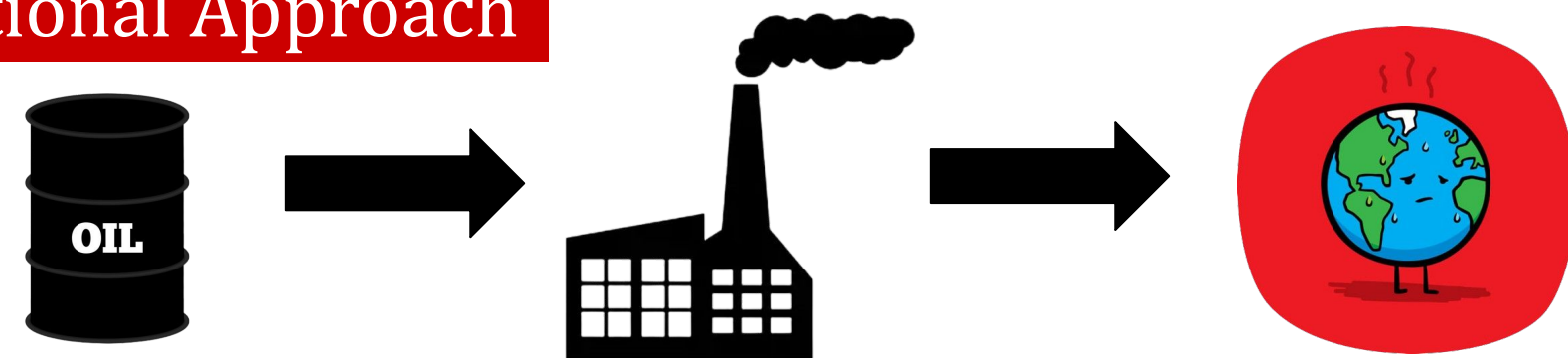


Unlocking Bamboo's Biofuel Potential: A Delignification and Crystallinity Study Using Deep Eutectic Solvent Pretreatment

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Motivation & Challenges

Traditional Approach



Fossil Fuels

Energy

Climate Change

Sustainable Approach

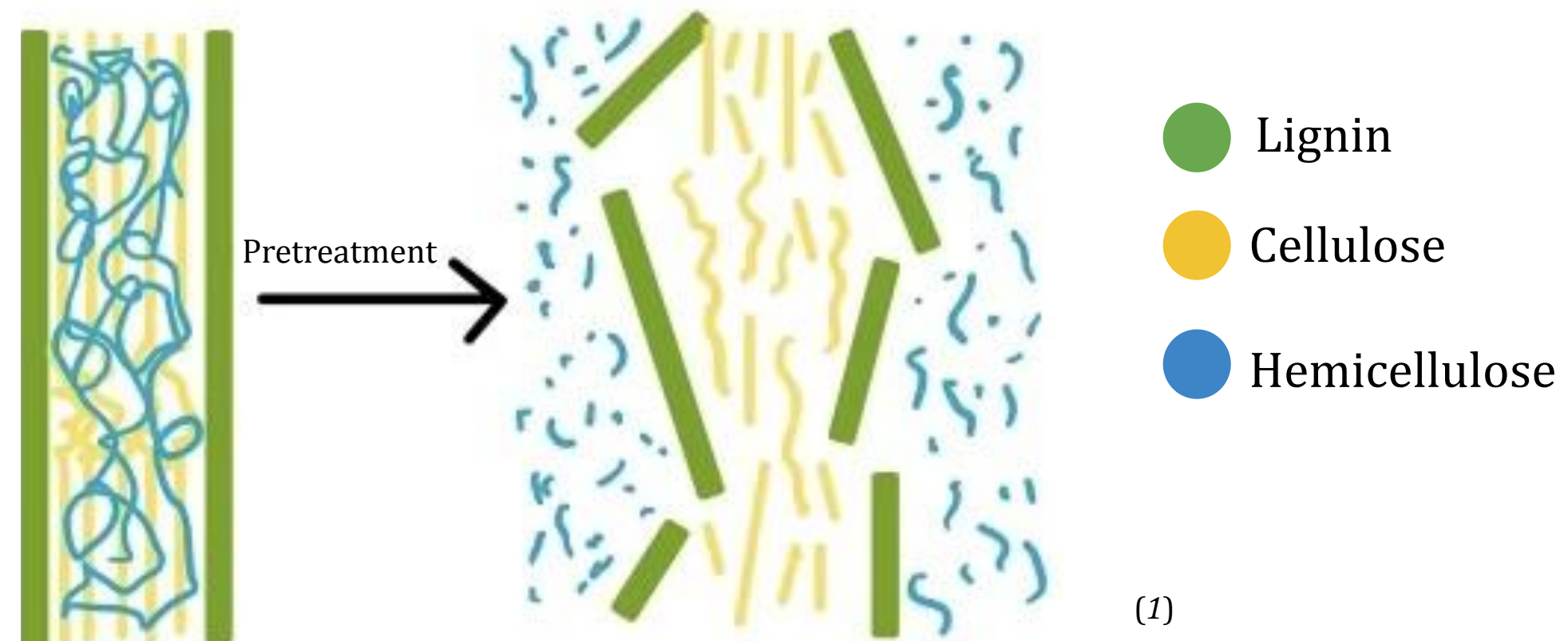


Biomass

Treatments

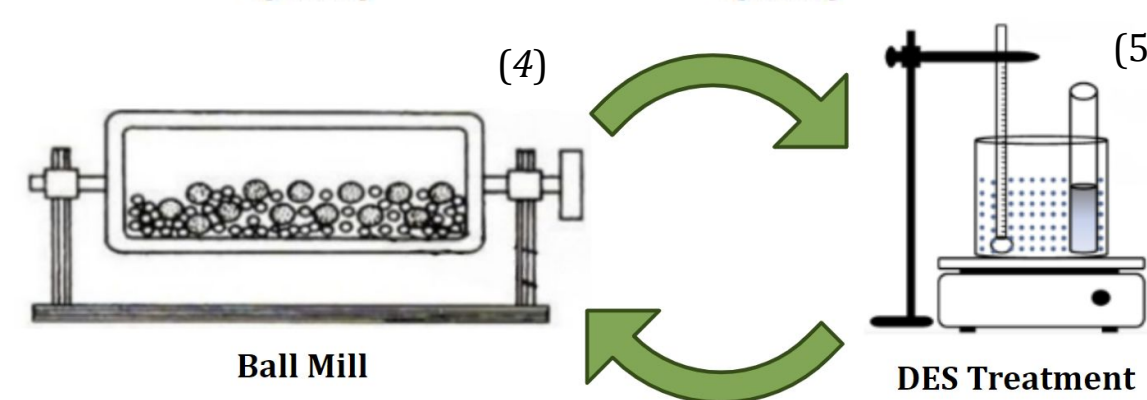
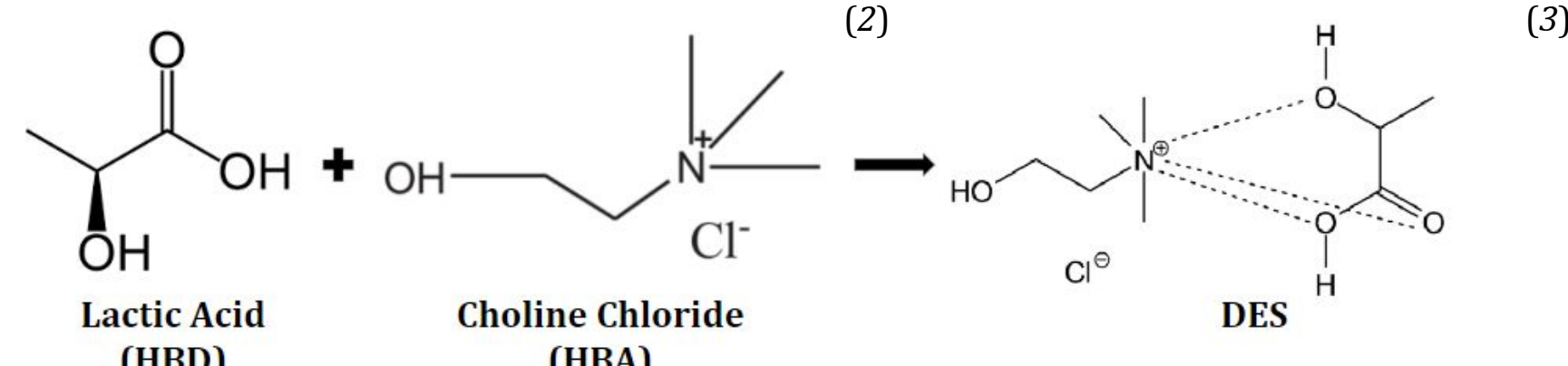
Clean Energy

Chemical Pretreatment	Inexpensive	Nonhazardous	Reusable
DES	✓	✓	✓
Alkaline	✗	✓	✗
Organosolv	✗	✗	✓
Ionic Liquid	✗	✓	✗
Acid	✓	✗	✗



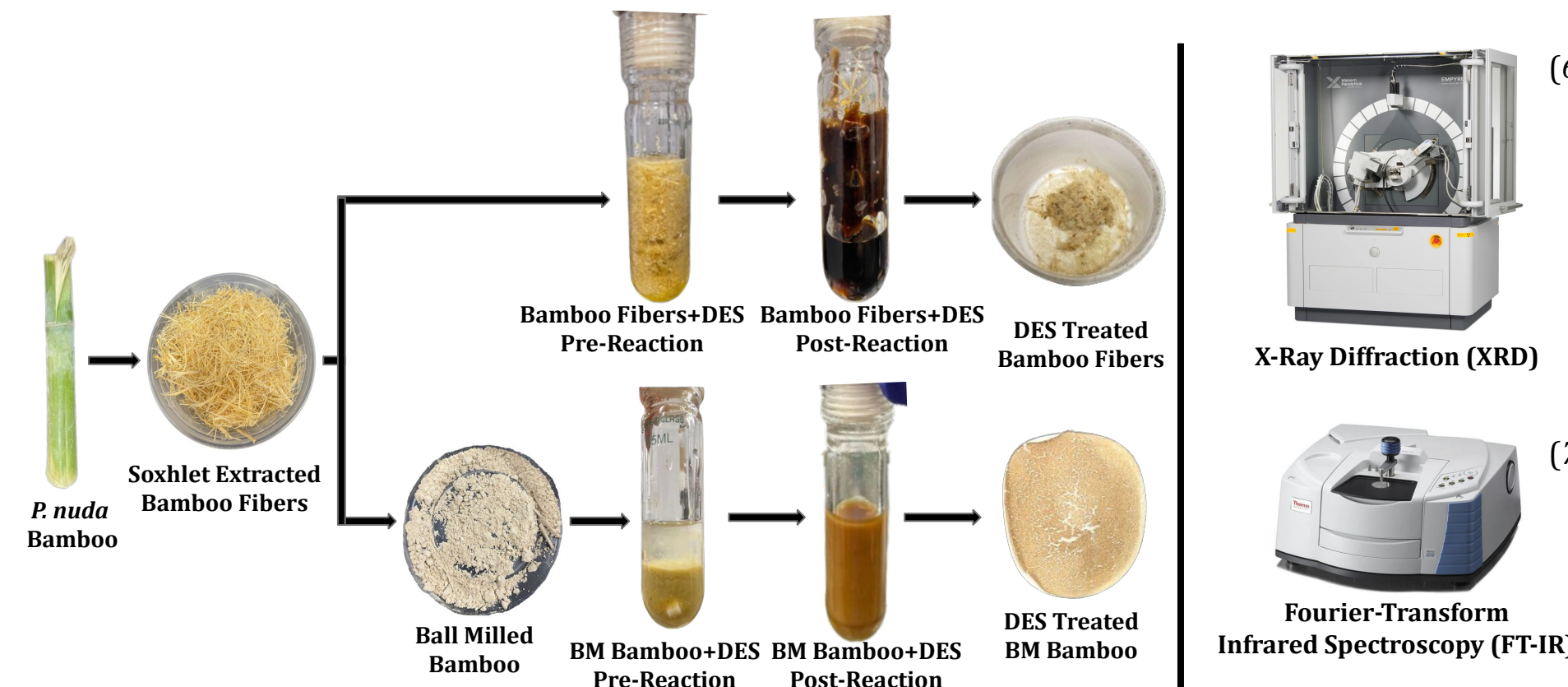
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Experimental Objectives



Significance of pretreatment order?

Bamboo Pretreatment Strategy



DES Recrystallizes Amorphous Bamboo

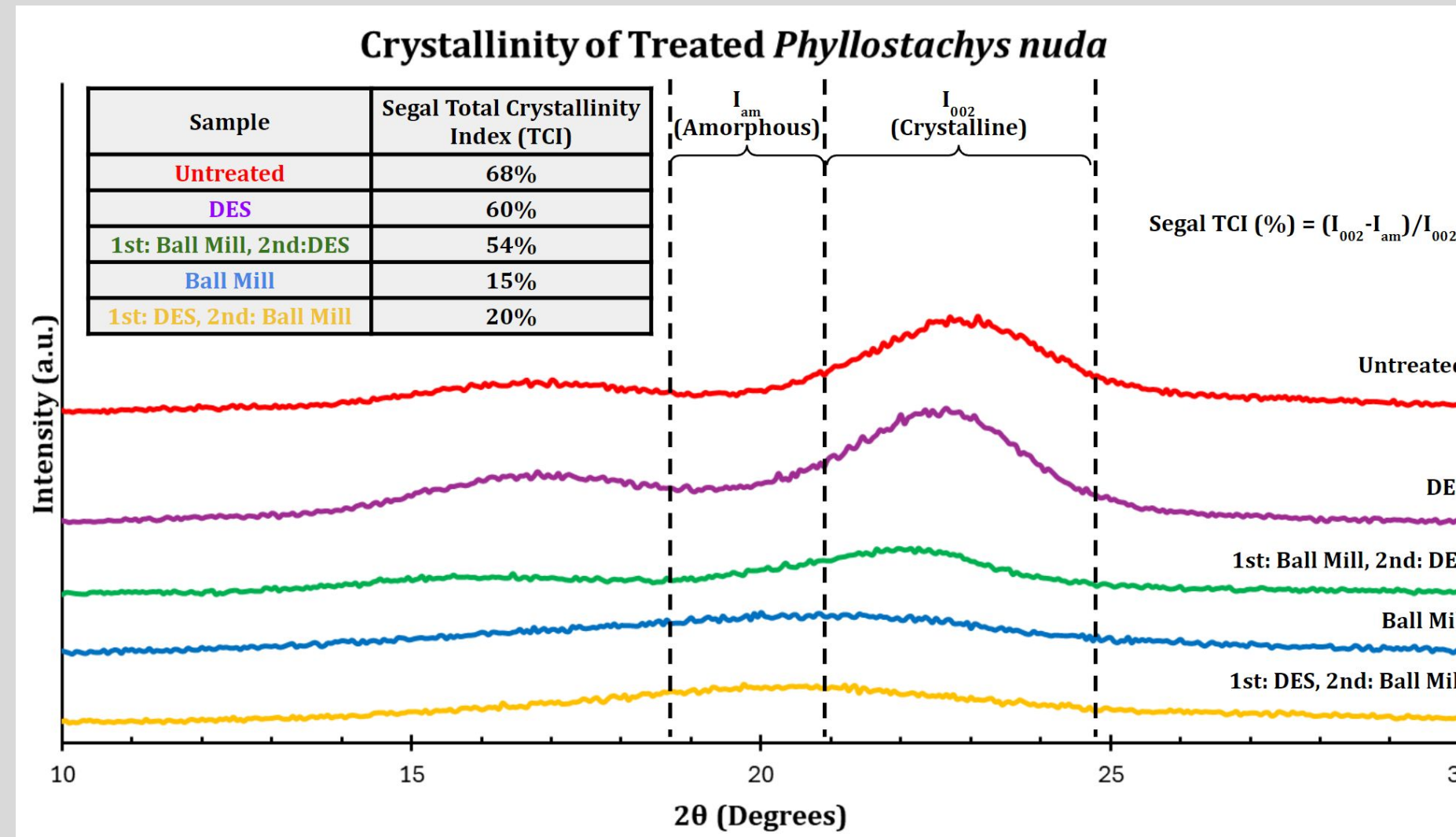


Figure 1. X-ray diffractograms of *P. nuda* bamboo and associated Segal total crystallinity indexes across varied pretreatment strategies.

Crystallinity of Treated *Phyllostachys nuda* (Varied Ball Mill)

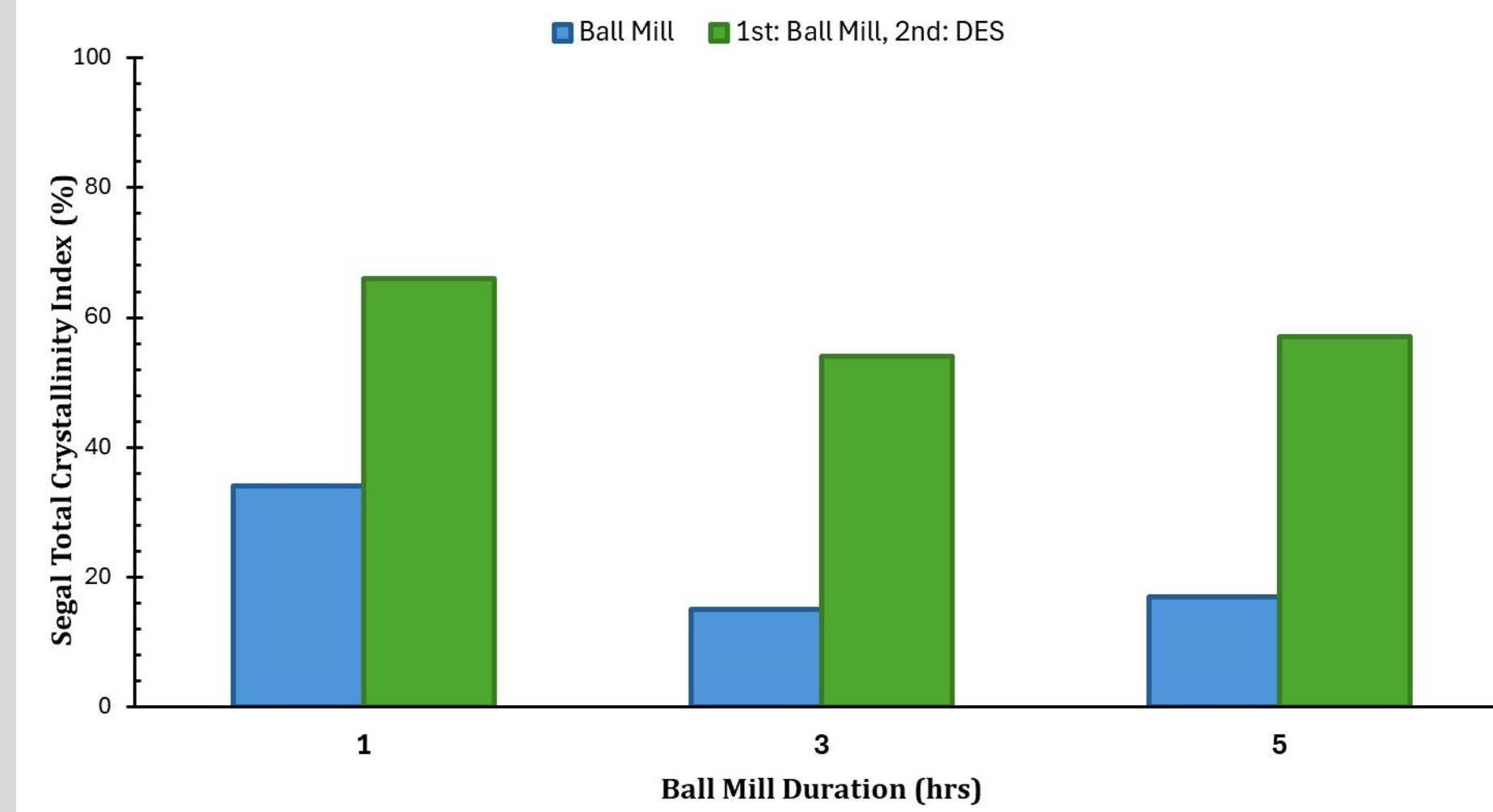


Figure 2. Ball mill duration versus Segal total crystallinity index for *P. nuda* bamboo with and without subsequent DES pretreatment.

Effective Delignification Post Ball Mill

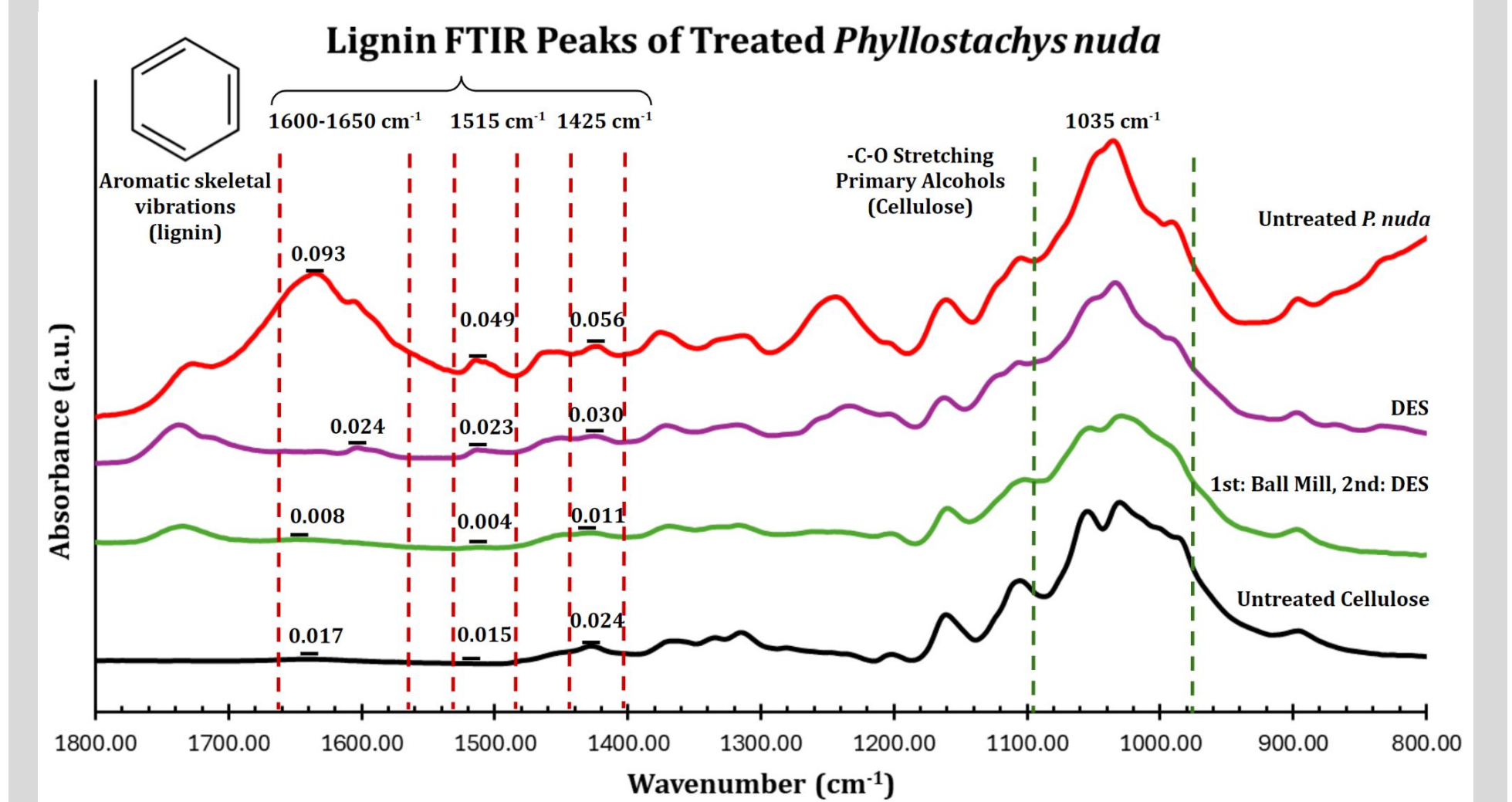
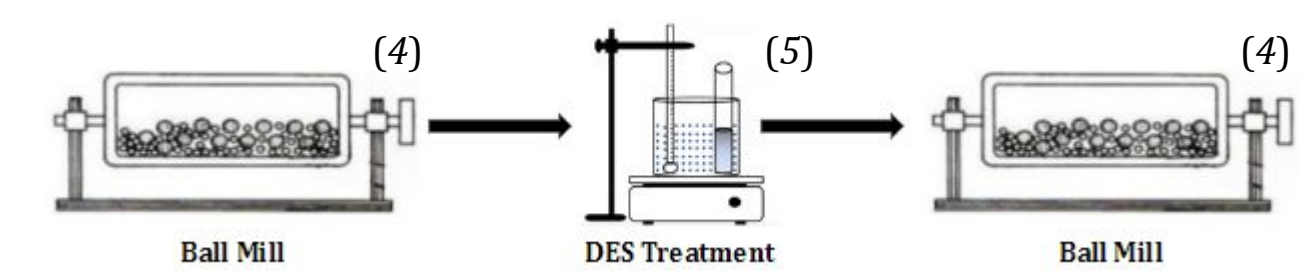


Figure 3. FT-IR absorbance curves for *P. nuda* bamboo across varied pretreatment strategies. Relative peak intensities have been provided at three key wavenumber regions for lignin identification.

Conclusions & Future Work



Future Work

- Acetyl Bromide Method
 - Improve extraction
 - Recycle DES
- Pretreatment Order is Important**
- DES recrystallizes cellulose
 - 3-hr ball mill enhances lignin removal

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