

Cobalt moves forward with n-butanol and butadiene projects

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The Californian biofuel and bio-sourced chemicals specialist Cobalt has completed a test production run of over 100,000 litres of N-butanol through a subcontractor. This is a key stage in developing a commercial scale project with a 10-fold increase in production. The firm is currently building a production unit in Brazil in association with Solvay.

Cobalt is also collaborating with 2 unnamed Asian partners for another project. The partners are developing a process to produce butadiene from biomass. The development phase is scheduled for completion in 2014 and will be followed by the construction of a first production unit. The Asian partners will take a stake in Cobalt capital.

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