From lab feasibility studies to full scale manufacturing, an overview of Biocatalysis at Novartis Pharma - A journey towards sustainable catalysis

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The gradual implementation of Biocatalysis within Novartis Pharma will be presented over various projects. From enzyme users, we became enzyme designers with the recent implementation of the CodeEvolver technology from Codexis in our Development projects. Our journey towards new and sustainable catalysis, the in-licensing of protein engineering and our efforts to change culture in favor of early implementation of Biocatalysis will be presented.

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