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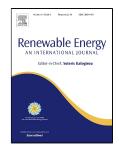
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Highlights:

- Novel raceway pond design with 1 m liquid depth with side entry hydrofoil
- Modified design of RWP gave lower energy consumption per unit biomass production
- Improved algal productivity (92%) compared to conventional raceway ponds for same incident light surface area
- Experimental validation of CFD prediction of velocity field in 4.5 m³ reactor
- Mass transfer coefficient at top gas-liquid interface was in the range of 9 20×10^{-5} m/s

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