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ABSTRACT

The properties and used of oil palm biomass have been discussed. The example of oil palm biomass is empty fruit bunch (EFB), oil palm frond (OPF) and oil palm trunk (OPT). The oil palm gives the highest yields per hectare of all oil crops at present. The family of oil palm, the Arecaceae has always formed a distinct group of plant among the monocotyledons. The oil palm of commerce (*Elaeis guineensis*) is believed to be indigenous to West Africa, but recently Malaysia has the most mature of oil palm industry in the world. The oil palm biomass is suitable in the production of most wood-based industry product. Hence, the oil palm biomass can be greatly utilized as a raw material for wood-based industry.