



Fucoidans in ocular health – bio-activities with high (market) potential

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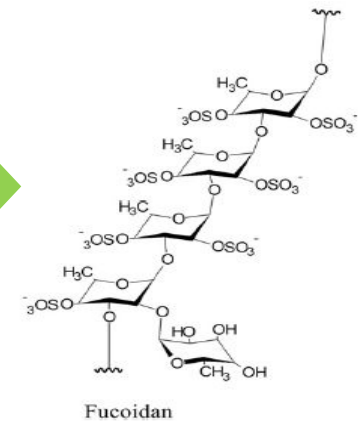
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García-Vaquero, Food Res Internat 2017; 99:1011

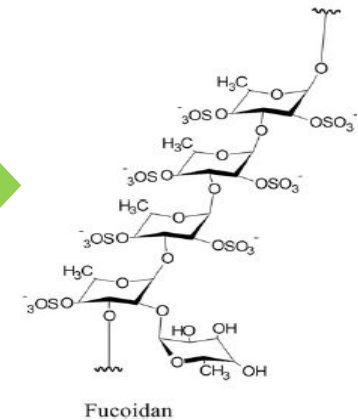
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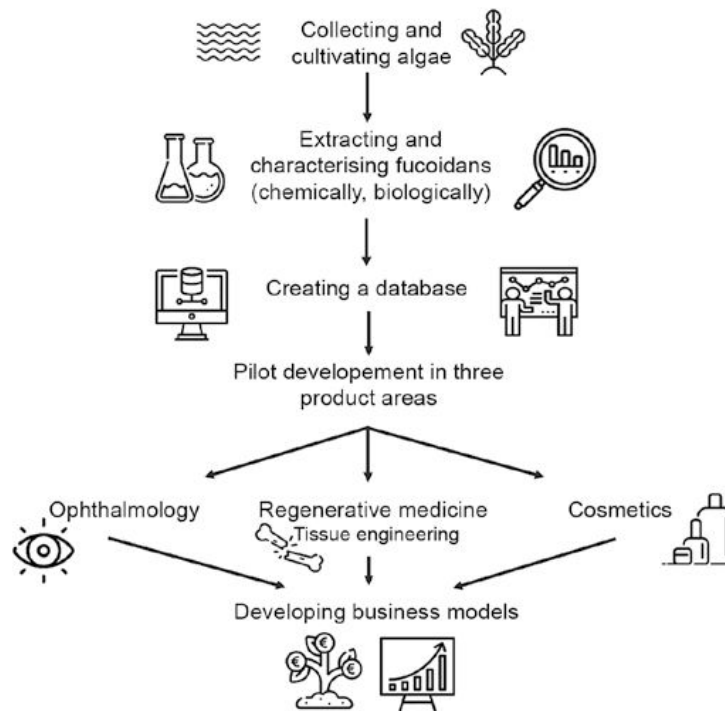
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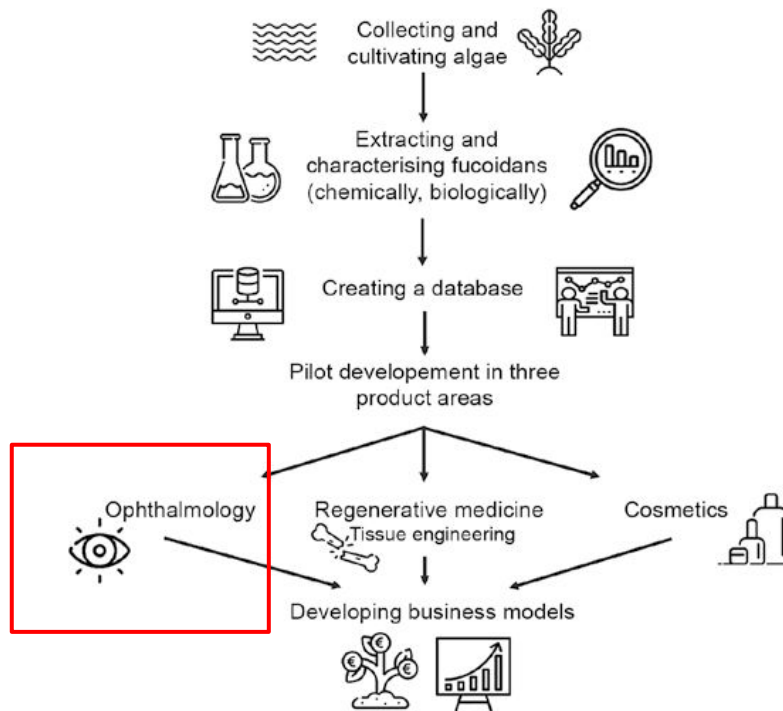
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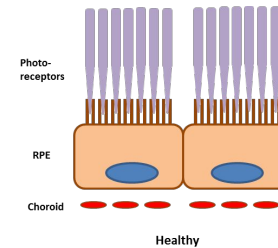
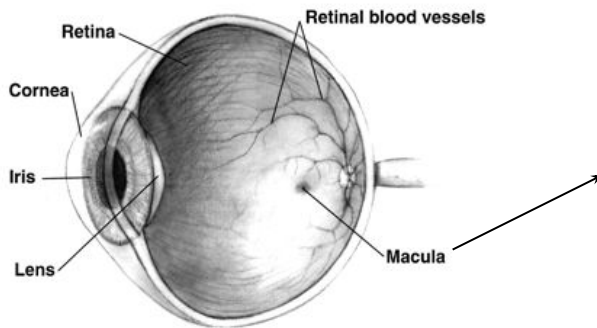


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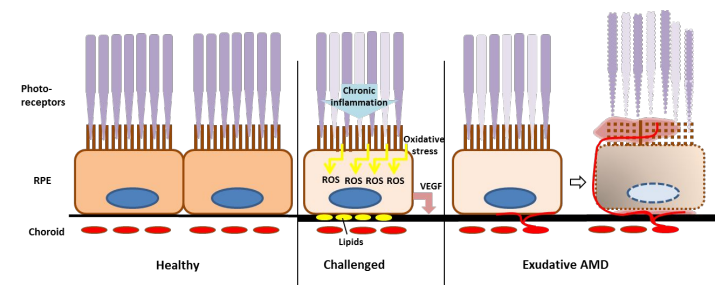
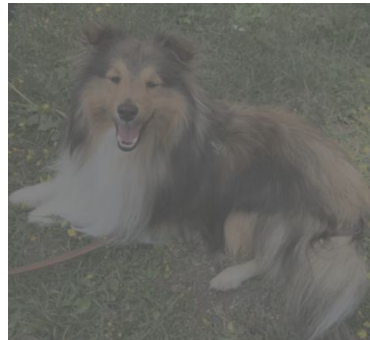
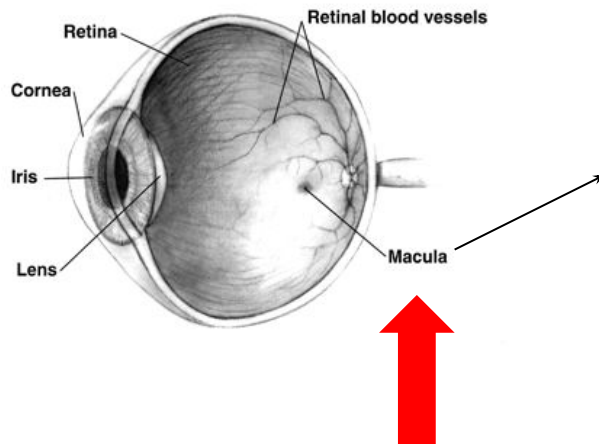


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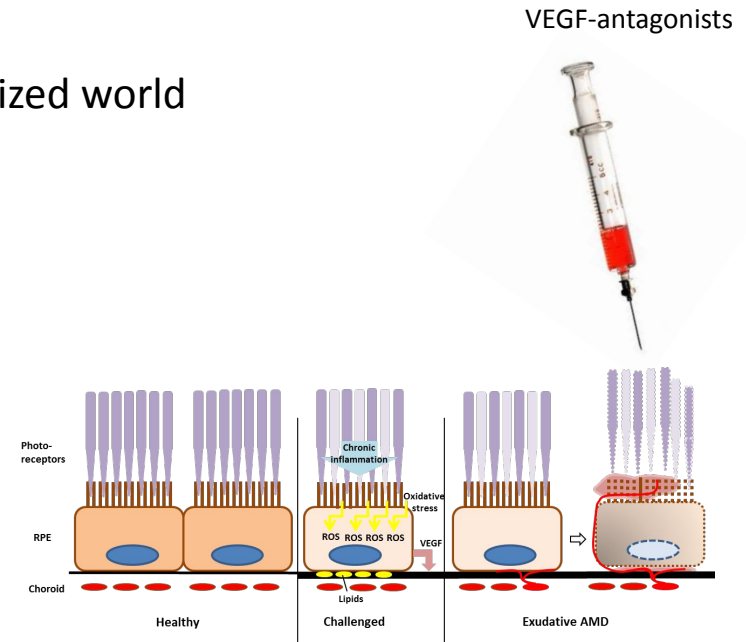
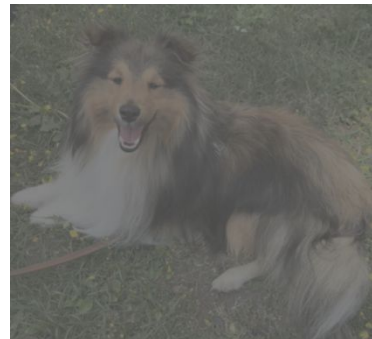
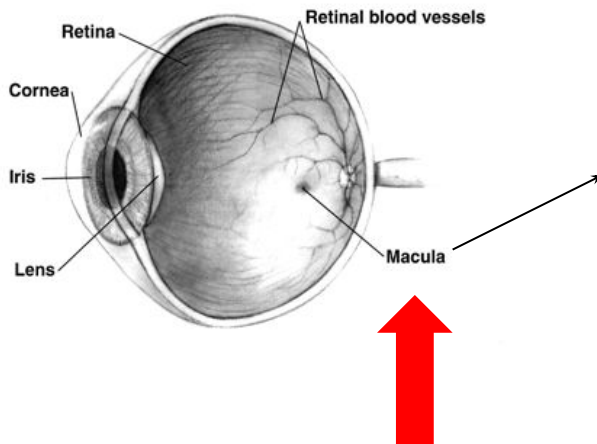
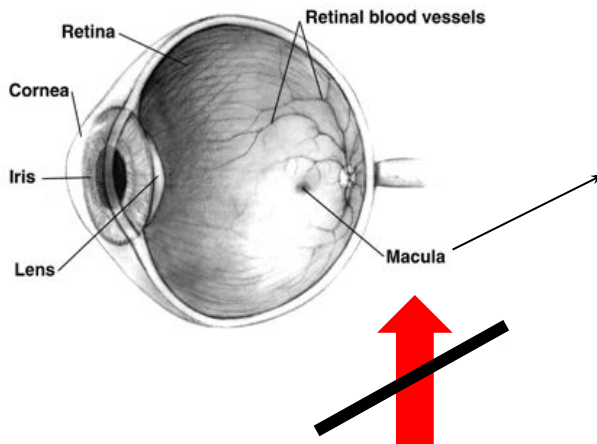


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Fucoidan ?

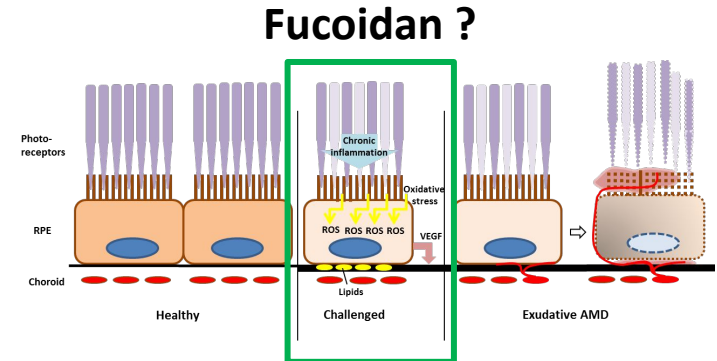


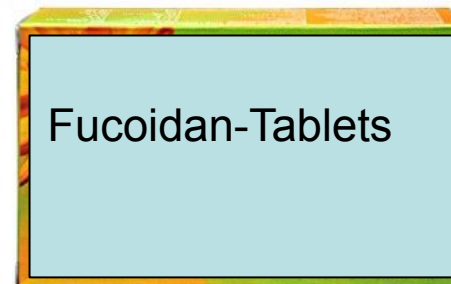
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Fucoidan – potential product development

Therapeutic



Food supplement



Age-related macular degeneration – market potential

- ca. 20 million affected with AMD in Europe
- ca. 15 million affected in the USA
- global AMD market \$5,335.7 million in 2015¹
- expected to grow at 7.6% during 2016 – 2022¹
- 196 million worldwide predicted for 2020²
- 288 Millionen Betroffen geschätzt für 2040²

One application VEGF-antagonist (Lucentis): 1300 € (ca. 9.100 €/year)

Current spending for dietary supplement per patient/year 150 €³

¹ P&S Market Research, Market Analysis AMD

² Wong Lancet Glob Health. 2014, 2:e106-16

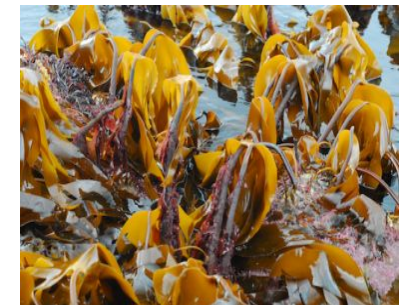
³ Matamoros et al. Ophthalmologica. 2015;234:151

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Algal species	Origin
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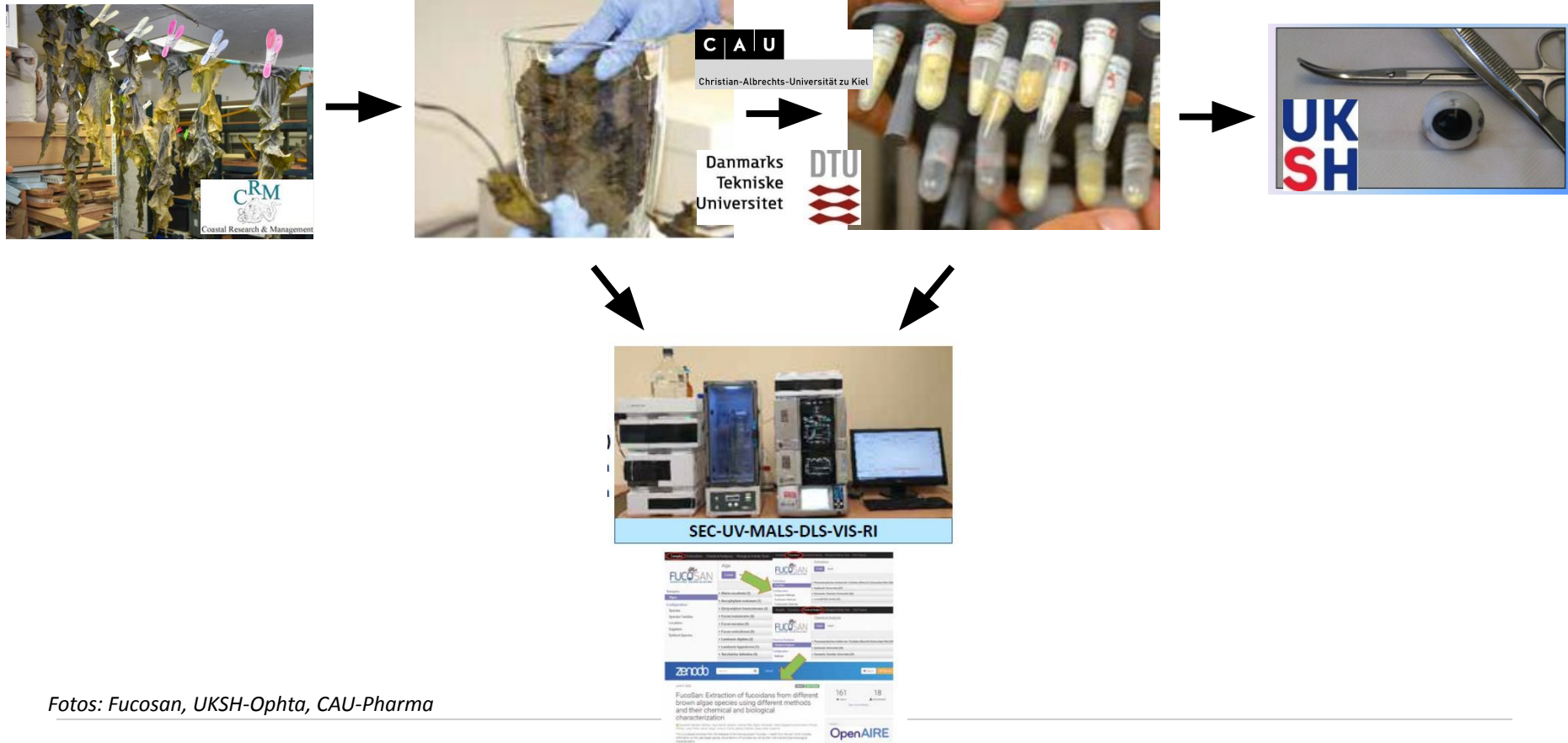
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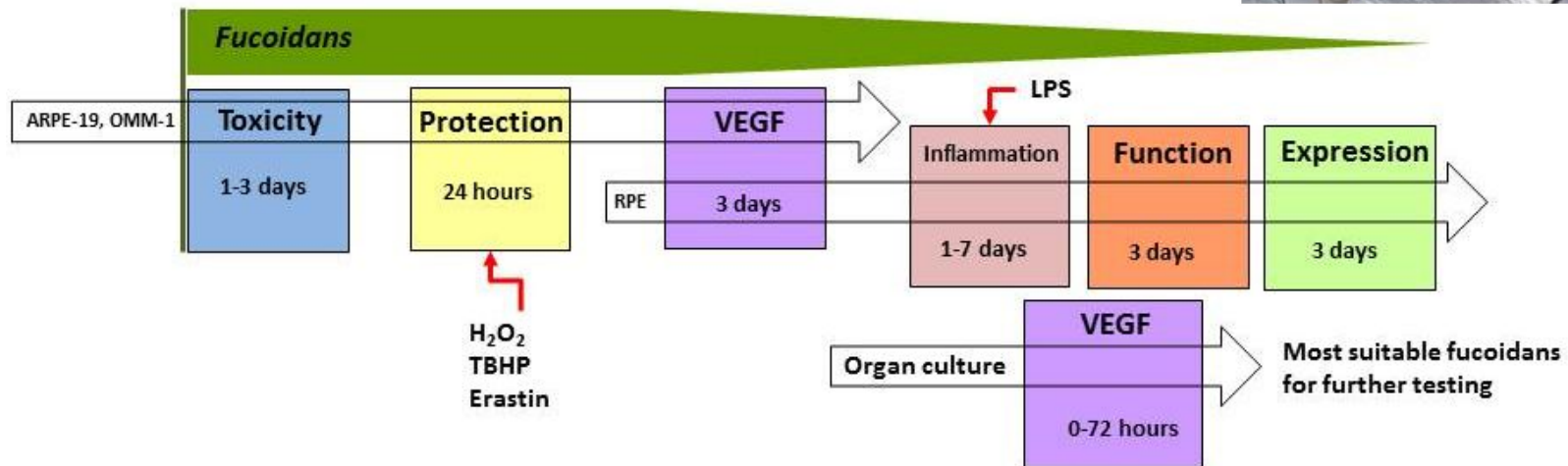
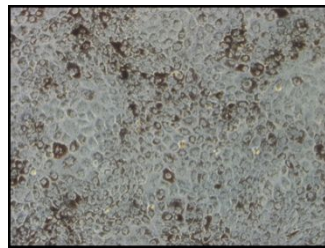
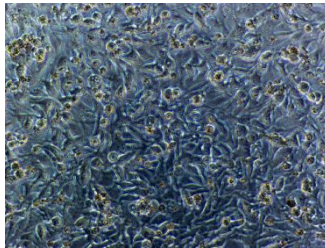
Laminaria hyperborea
Cuvie/Tangle

http://www.seaweed.ie/descriptions/Laminaria_hyperborea.php

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➔ Basic characterisation > 80 soluble extracts ✓

➔ Ongoing tests of promising extracts

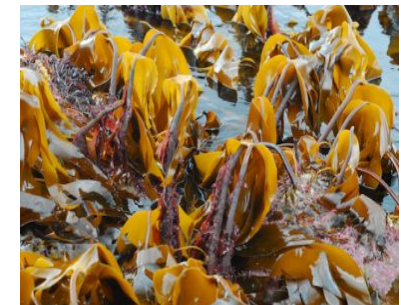
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Furoidane

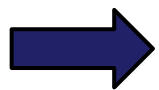
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Identified extracts for further testing

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Challenges

- High amount of algae would be needed (wet weight Algae = 0.7 % fucoidan)
- Sustainable harvest (farming?)
- Enviromental conditions of harvested algae should be similar (-> Influence on fucoidan structure)

Algae dry masses (%) and yields of fucoidans (%) related to both the algae wet and dry mass, respectively.

	Algae dry mass (%)	Yield wet mass (%) ^a	Yield dry mass (%)
<i>F.v.-fuc</i>	31.7	0.8	2.6
<i>F.s.-fuc</i>	25.0	0.7	2.9
<i>F.e.-fuc</i>	21.7	1.0	4.5
<i>D.f.-fuc</i>	12.3	0.6	2.0
<i>L.d.-fuc</i>	13.3	0.7	2.2
<i>S.l.-fuc</i>	10.9	0.6	5.3

^a The wet mass was determined after dripping off of the washed algae (last washing with 70% (v/v) ethanol) on cellulose cloth. (n = 3).

Bittkau et al. Algal Res, 2010, 101759



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