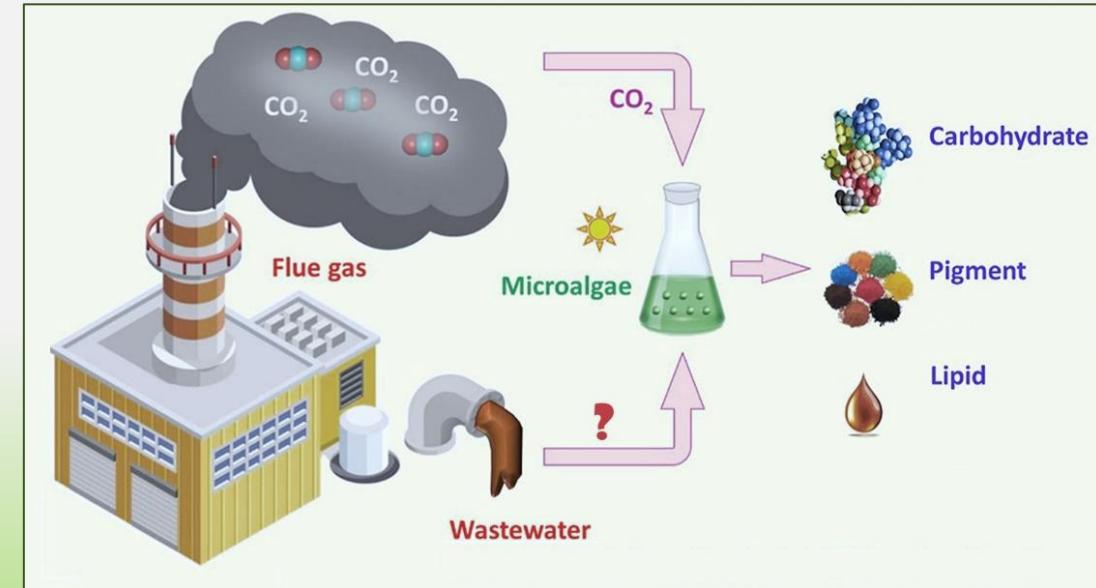


# MICROALGAE FOR WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COMBINED WITH ENERGY PRODUCTION SYSTEMS FROM RENEWABLE SOURCES

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- Culture and maintenance of 5 microalgal strains: *Spirulina sp*, *Chlorella vulgaris* Beij ACUF 863, *Chlamydomonas pitschmannii* Ettl ACUF 292, *Scenedesmus sp.* ACUF 145 (A), and *Scenedesmus sp.* ACUF 329 (B).



# RESEARCH PROGRESSES

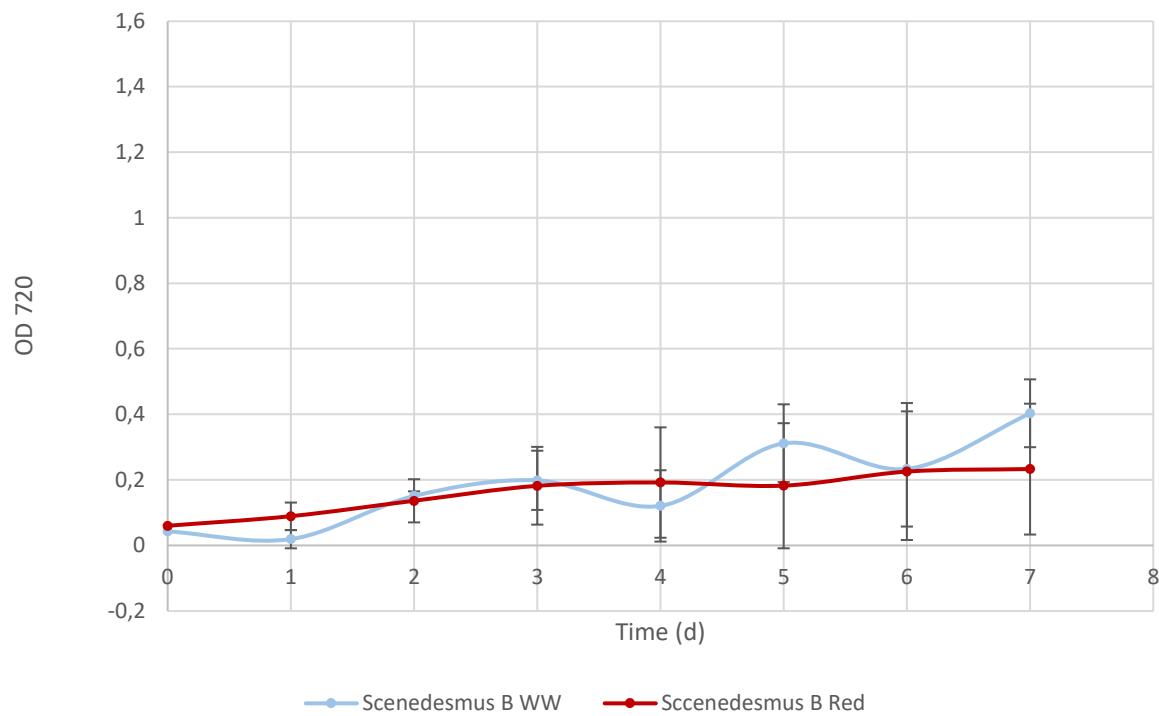
- Construction of growth curves to relate the OD with the cellular concentration of each alga;
- Lipid production in the presence of waste by-products from the agri-food industry;
- Effect of different wavelengths on algae growth;
- Combining the management of water resources and agro-industrial wastewater with the use of CO<sub>2</sub>.



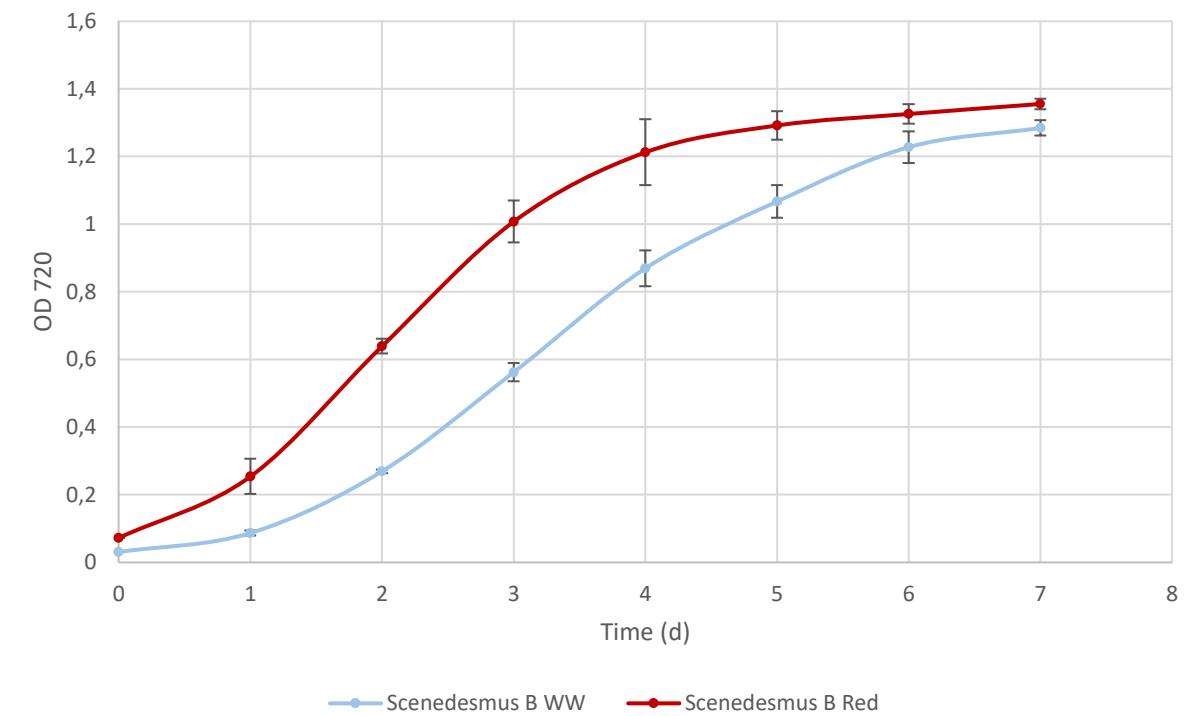
MULTI CULTIVATOR MC-1000 OD

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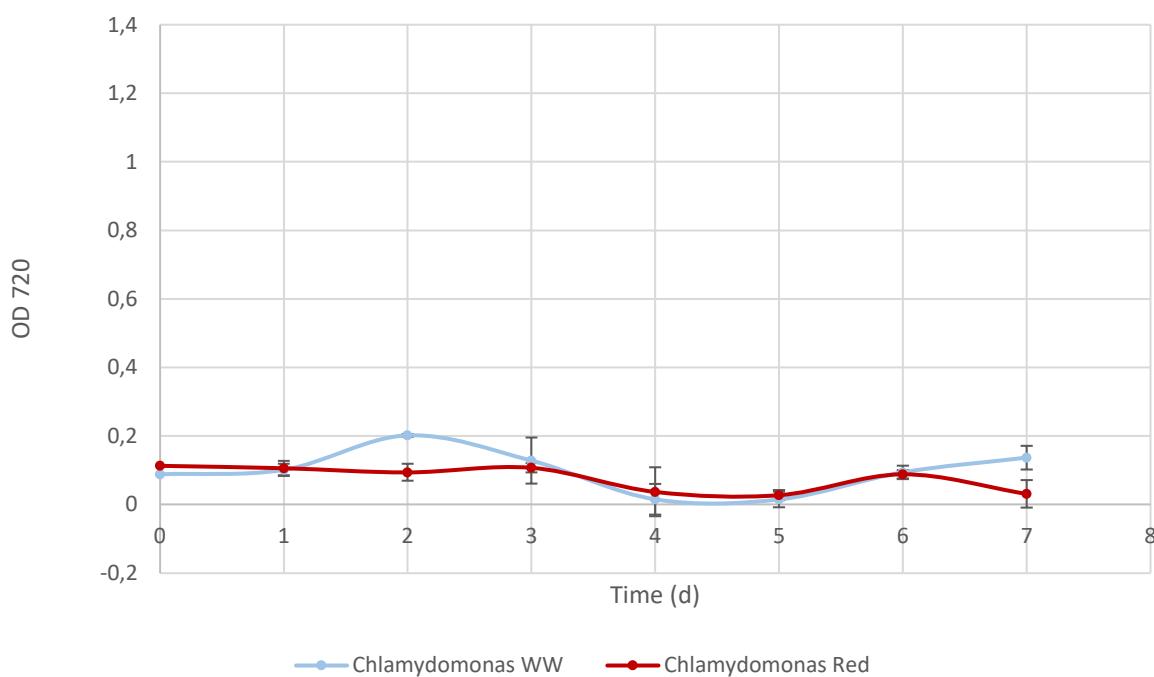
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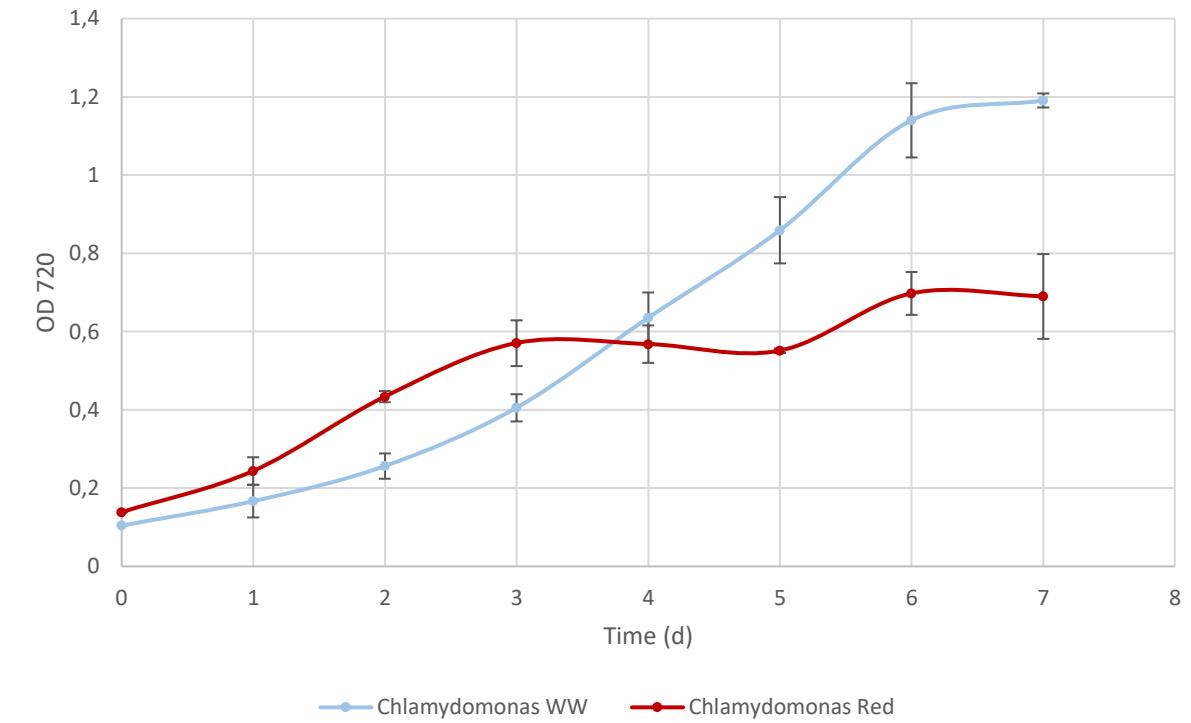
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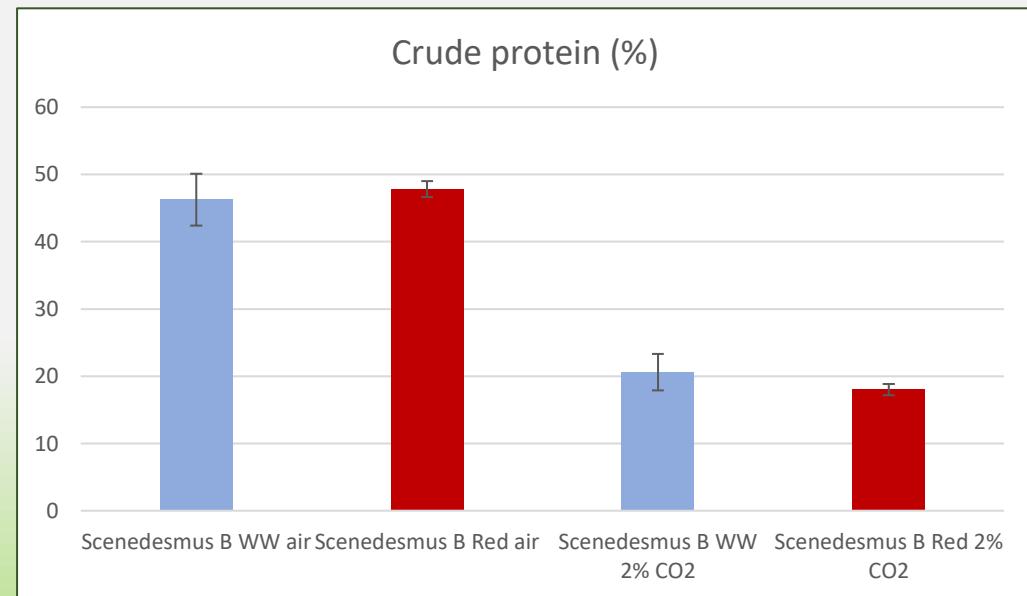
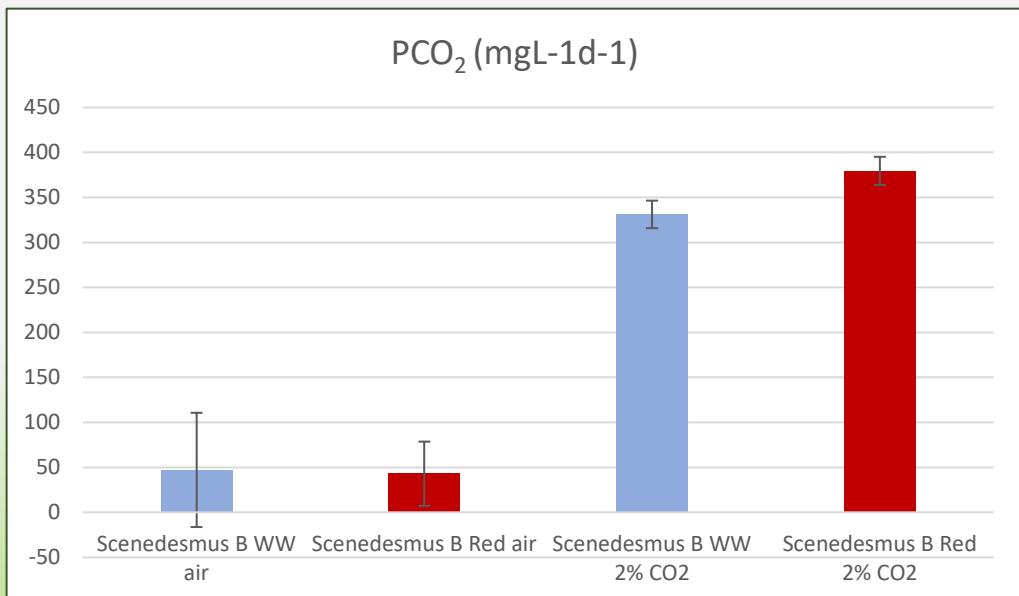
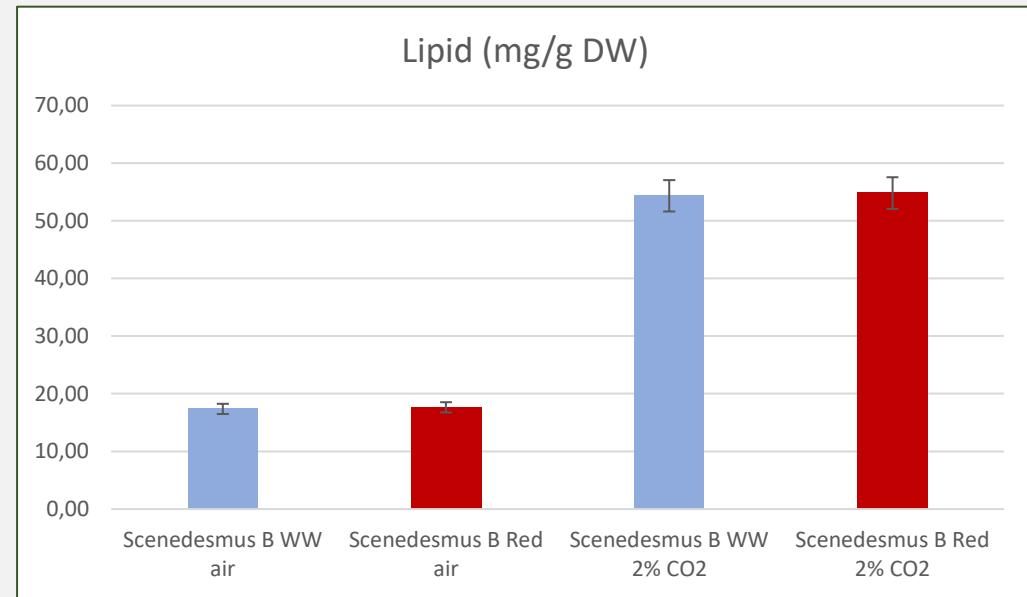
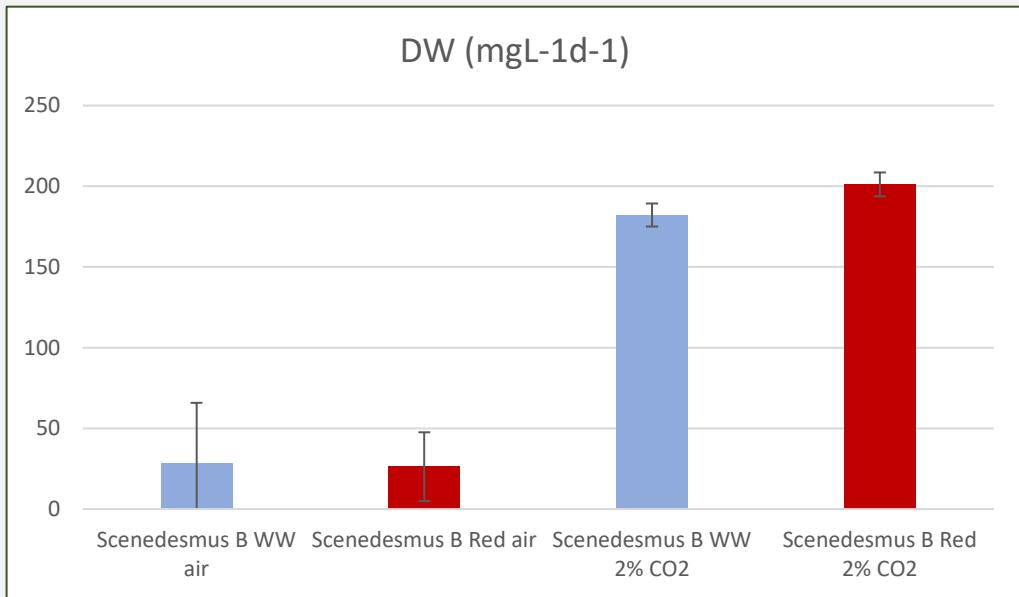
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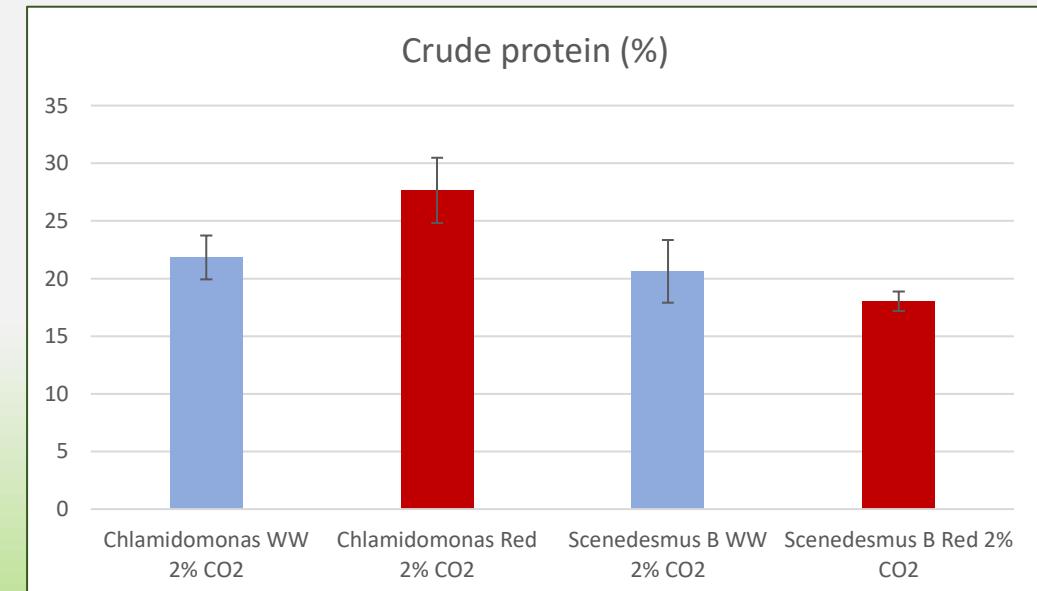
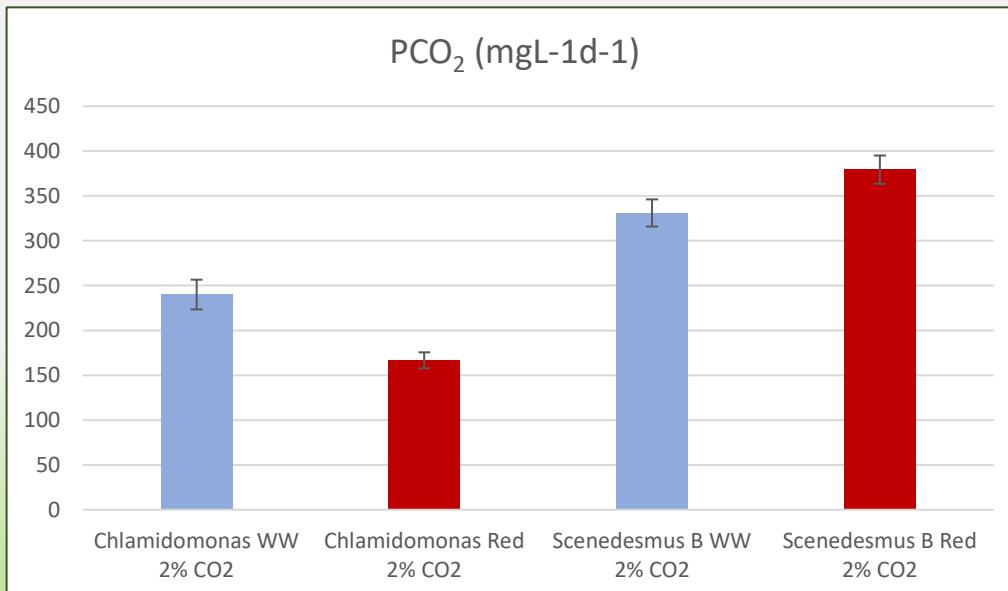
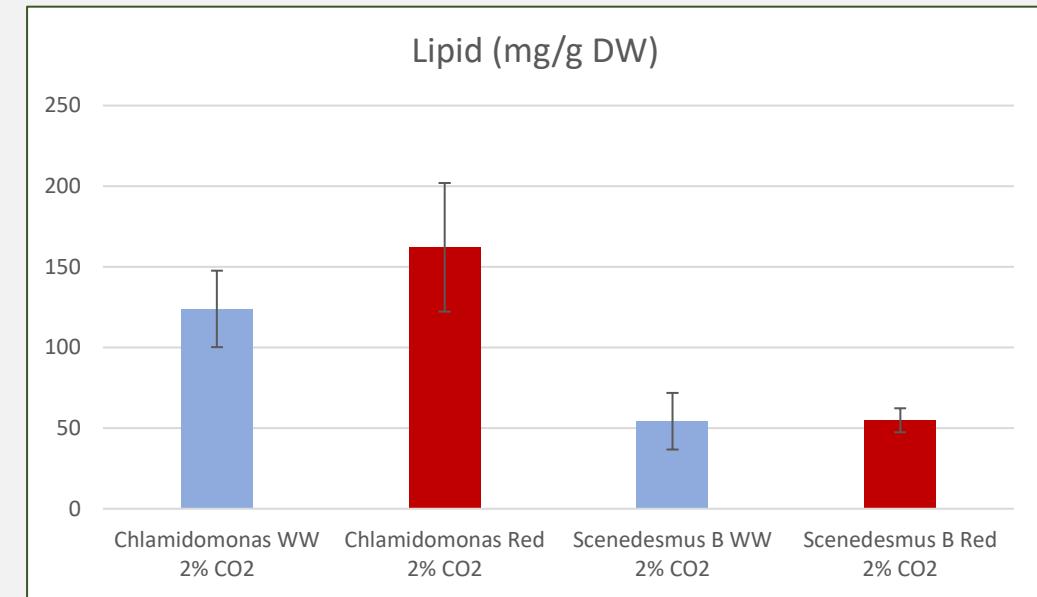
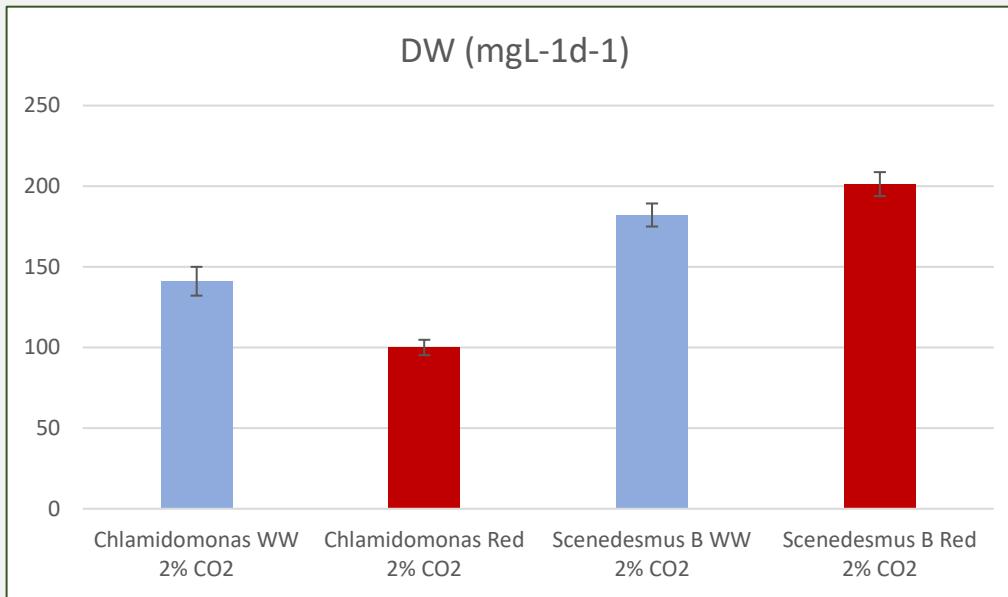
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# CONCLUSIONS

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| <i>Scenedesmus sp.</i> 329     | 0,04                  | WW 2700K     | 28 ± 38                              | 0.21 ± 0.09        | 47 ± 63                              | 4 ± 5.3    | 46.3 ± 3.8    | 17.4 ± 30   | nd                | nd              | nd              |
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| <i>Chlamidomonas p. E.</i> 292 | 0,04                  | WW 2700K     | 14.9 ± 5.7                           | 0.73 ± 0.08        | nd                                   | nd         | nd            | nd          | nd                | nd              | nd              |
|                                | 0,04                  | Deep Red 660 | 9.5 ± 6.3                            | nd                 | nd                                   | nd         | nd            | nd          | nd                | nd              | nd              |
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