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Using digital twin technology to optimise *Crocospaera chwakensis* growth for Cyanoflan production



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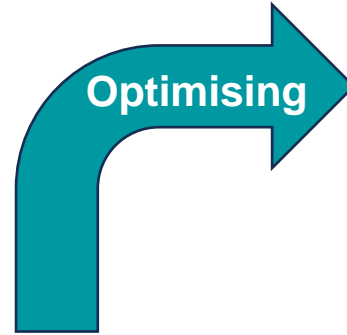
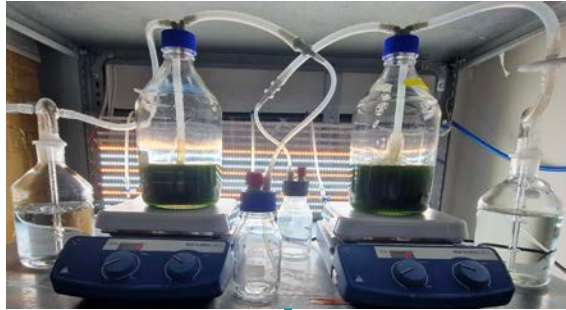
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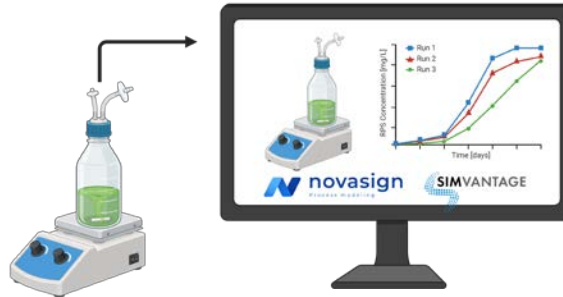


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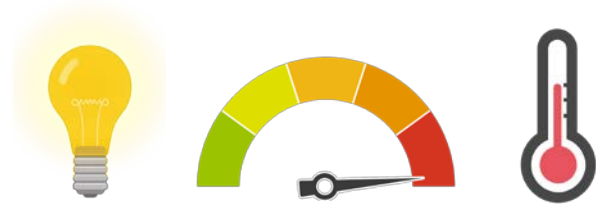
**Industrial
Production**



Digital Twin

Design of Experiments

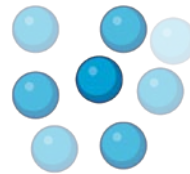
Varying parameters:



Run	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Light Intensity [Lux]	4000	4000	1300	4000	4000	4000	2700	4000	1300
Stirring Speed [rpm]	150	150	150	450	150	450	450	150	300
Temperature [°C]	30	20	20	30	20	20	20	20	25

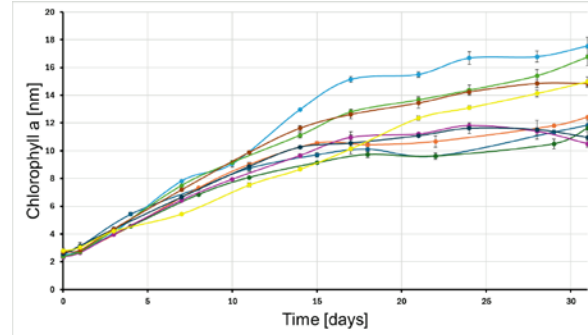
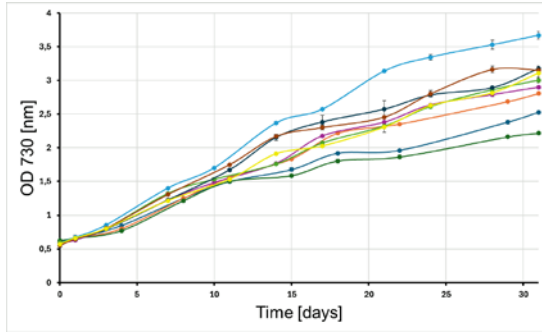
Constant parameters:

- Culture medium (ASN III)
- Aeration (1.5 L/min)



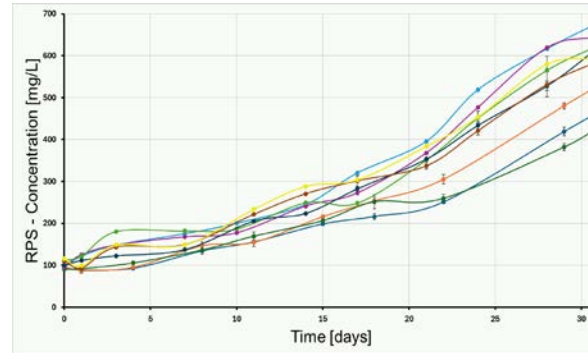
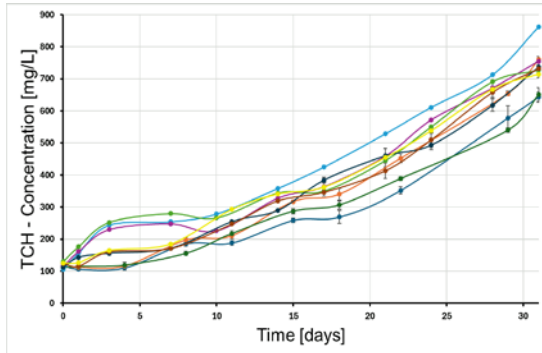
Characterisation of *C. chwakensis*

Growth parameters



Carbohydrates content is directly correlated with growth

Carbohydrates quantification

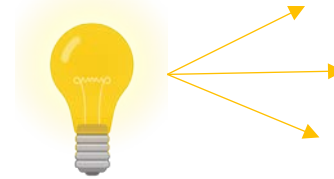


- Run 1
- Run 2
- Run 3
- Run 4
- Run 5
- Run 6
- Run 7
- Run 8
- Run 9

Light impact - model



- CFD (Computational Fluid Dynamics)
- Onset HOBO® Pendant MX Temp/Light Data Logger
- Modeled intensity field
- Impact of light intensity on cells
- Understanding of the process
- Easier scale transfer



Digital Twin

Temperature (°C) ^
 0 30

Stirrer speed (rpm) ^
 0 300

Delta Time (d) ∨

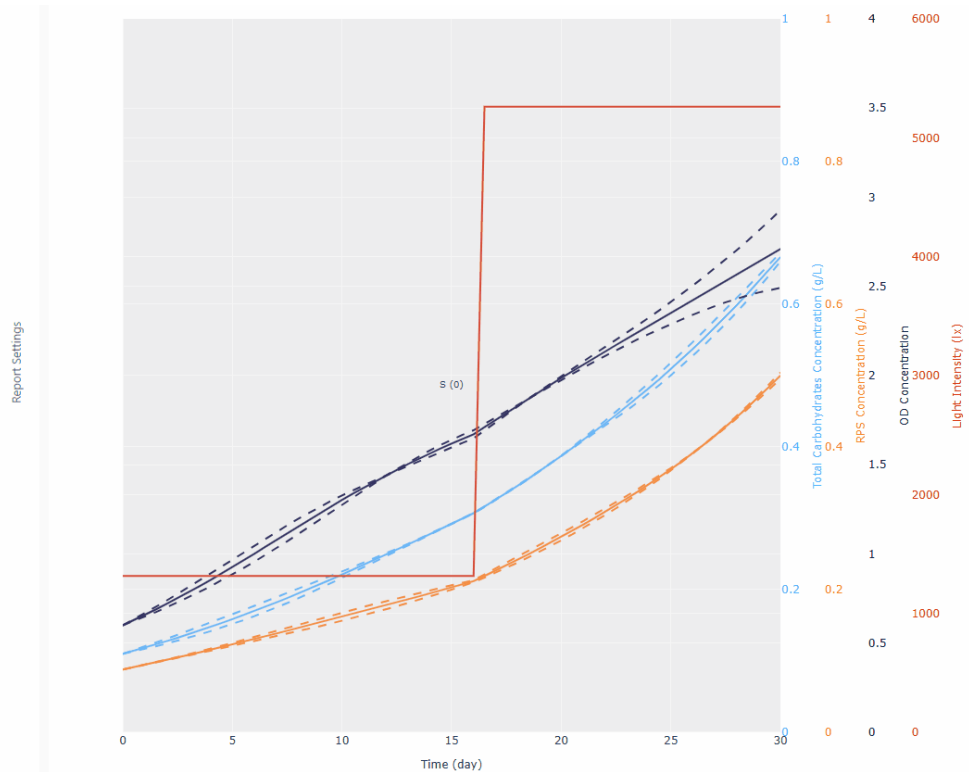
First Light Increase (d) ^
 0 8

Second Light Increase (d) ^
 0 8

Light Intensity after First Increase (lx) ^
 0 1315.21

Light Intensity after Second Increase (lx) ^
 0 5261.0

Variables ∨



Take home messages

- **Optimisation of Cyanoflan production:**

Digital twin technology is being used to optimise the cultivation of *C. chwakensis* for enhanced Cyanoflan production

Focus on understanding the impact of light intensity on cells, enabling easier scale transfer.

- **Improved process efficiency:**

Modeling software ensuring more efficient and consistent bioreactor operations.



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