BASIC EQUIPMENT

BIO-OPTIC

- Eldonet radiometers (4) included in the European (ELDONET) and Andalusian UVR-PAR (UVIFAN) network http://uvifan.scai.uma.es.
- Multifilter PAR/UV Radiometers PUV 500/510 y NILU UV-6 (5).
- Multidiode Spectroradiometers Sphere Optics-SMS 500 (1) and Ramses-TRIOS UV and Trios-VIS (6).
- Radiometer Macam (3) withy broadband UVA,
 UVB and UVC sensors.
- Oriel Solar simulator (2).
- Calibrator of PAR and UVR radiometers and spectroradiometers (Licor Li-1800/02).
- UV Radiation lamps: Philips TL12 and Q-Panel 340.
- PAR Radiation lamps: TrueLite, High pressure lamps.

BIOTECHNOLOGY

- •In vivo chlorophyll a fluorescence PAM fluorometers (PAM 2000, Diving-PAM (9), Water-PAM, Junior-PAM/B and JuniorPAM/WL).
- •High-performance liquid chromatography HPLC Water-600 (7).
- •Gas Chromatography LINDE- GC FOCUS Series (8).
- •Ionic Chromatography Metrohm 883 Basic IC Plus (10).
- •OBD equipes WTW- Oxitop IS6.
- •Cultivation Chamber CANDY CCV 150 EU WM1-15.

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Bio-optic and radiometry

- ➤ Calibration of radiation instruments. Licor 1800 Optical Calibrator (periodic lamp revisions in the INTA, Mazagón, Spain).
- ➤ Quality control of artificial UV radiation lamps in tanning sunbeds.
- Paily data of photosynthetic solar radiation (PAR, λ =400-700 nm), UV-A (λ =315-400 nm) and UV-B (λ =280-315 nm).
- Effective radiation and UV Index (erythematic radiation).
- ➤ Spectral characterization of artificial lamps and cut- off filters. Advice about illumination systems applied to aquaculture (algal biomass) and recreational aquaria.













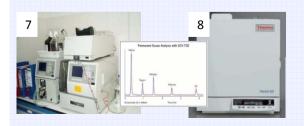
Alga and bioactive substance characterization

ALGAL SAMPLES:

- Evaluation and quantification of pigments and sunscreen molecules by HPLC: chlorophylls, phycobiliproteins, phenols, carotenoids and mycosporine-likes amino acids (MAAs).
- Determination of fatty acids by Gas chromatography.
- Extraction and purification of acid and neutral polysaccharides.
- Antioxidant enzyme activities: Superoxide dismutase (SOD), catalase (CAT), glutathione reductase (GR), glutathione peroxidase (GPx), ascorbate peroxidase (APx).

BIOACTIVE SUBSTANCES:

- Photoprotection capability: in vitro determination (Diffey Assay).
- **Global antioxidant activity**: scavenging of hydro and organic soluble radicals (DPPH and ABTS $/H_2O_2/HRP$ and ABTS/ $S_2O_8K_2$) and inhibition of lipid peroxidation.
- Protein damage
- Immunomodulation assays: evaluation of the expression of TNF-α, IL-6, IL-10 cytokines among others in mouse macrophages by using ELISA.
- Evaluation of antitumor activity of different natural extracts (algae) and new design molecules, according to the National Institute of the Cancer (INC) of USA normative.



Biofiltration of effluents by using algae

- Physical-chemical characterization of effluents: anions (F⁻, Cl⁻, NO₂⁻, Br⁻, NO₃⁻, PO₄³⁻, SO₃²⁻) and cations (Na⁺, NH₄⁺, K⁺, Mg⁺², Ca⁺²) by ionic chromatography (10), OBD, total solids, solids in suspension, pH and oxygen.
- Isolation and selective growth of different biofilter alga strains adapted to different conditions. Creation and maintenance of collection of biofilters.
- Evaluation of the physiological status of the biofilter algae based on *In vivo* Chla fluorescence associated to Photosystem II (PAM fluorescence) (9).
- Production and maintenance of algal biomass algal using outdoor tanks and flat photobioreactors.
- ➤ Biotechnological evaluation of seaweed biomass as source of substances with cosmetical (photoprotectors and antioxidants), aquacultural (immunostimulants and functional food) and energetic (biodiesel) application.

