

## Supporting Information

### Recovery of phycobiliproteins from the red macroalga *Gracilaria* sp. using ionic liquid solutions

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**Table A1.** Design matrix for the surface response design for a  $2^3$  factorial planning.

<b>Experiment</b>	<b>X<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>X<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>X<sub>3</sub></b>
<b>1</b>	-1	-1	-1
<b>2</b>	1	-1	-1
<b>3</b>	-1	1	-1
<b>4</b>	1	1	-1
<b>5</b>	-1	-1	1
<b>6</b>	1	-1	1
<b>7</b>	-1	1	1
<b>8</b>	1	1	1
<b>9</b>	-1.68	0	0
<b>10</b>	1.68	0	0
<b>11</b>	0	-1.68	0
<b>12</b>	0	1.68	0
<b>13</b>	0	0	-1.68
<b>14</b>	0	0	1.68
<b>15</b>	0	0	0
<b>16</b>	0	0	0
<b>17</b>	0	0	0
<b>18</b>	0	0	0
<b>19</b>	0	0	0
<b>20</b>	0	0	0

**Table A2.** Data attributed to the independent variables ([salt], pH and SLR) to define the 2<sup>3</sup> factorial planning, and respective results of yield of extraction of phycobiliproteins extracted experimentally, and theoretically found for the mathematical model defined and the respective relative deviation.

Run	[Salt] (M)	pH	SLR	Yield	Yield	Residues
				(mg <sub>phycobiliproteins</sub> · g <sub>fresh alga</sub> <sup>-1</sup> ) Experimental values	(mg <sub>phycobiliproteins</sub> · g <sub>fresh alga</sub> <sup>-1</sup> ) Theoretic values	
1	0.3	5.80	0.60	0.294	0.300	-0.005
2	0.7	5.80	0.60	0.306	0.264	0.042
3	0.3	8.20	0.60	0.268	0.214	0.049
4	0.7	8.20	0.60	0.164	0.163	0.001
5	0.3	5.80	0.80	0.353	0.314	0.039
6	0.7	5.80	0.80	0.309	0.318	-0.009
7	0.3	8.20	0.80	0.270	0.272	-0.001
8	0.7	8.20	0.80	0.306	0.261	0.046
9	0.2	7.00	0.70	0.217	0.246	-0.029
10	0.8	7.00	0.70	0.178	0.206	-0.028
11	0.5	5.00	0.70	0.249	0.269	-0.020
12	0.5	9.02	0.70	0.112	0.149	-0.037
13	0.5	7.00	0.53	0.275	0.307	-0.032
14	0.5	7.00	0.87	0.376	0.401	-0.025
15	0.5	7.00	0.70	0.243	0.261	-0.018
16	0.5	7.00	0.70	0.242	0.261	-0.019
17	0.5	7.00	0.70	0.324	0.261	0.062
18	0.5	7.00	0.70	0.226	0.261	-0.036

<b>19</b>	0.5	7.00	0.70	0.265	0.261	0.004
<b>20</b>	0.5	7.00	0.70	0.278	0.261	0.017

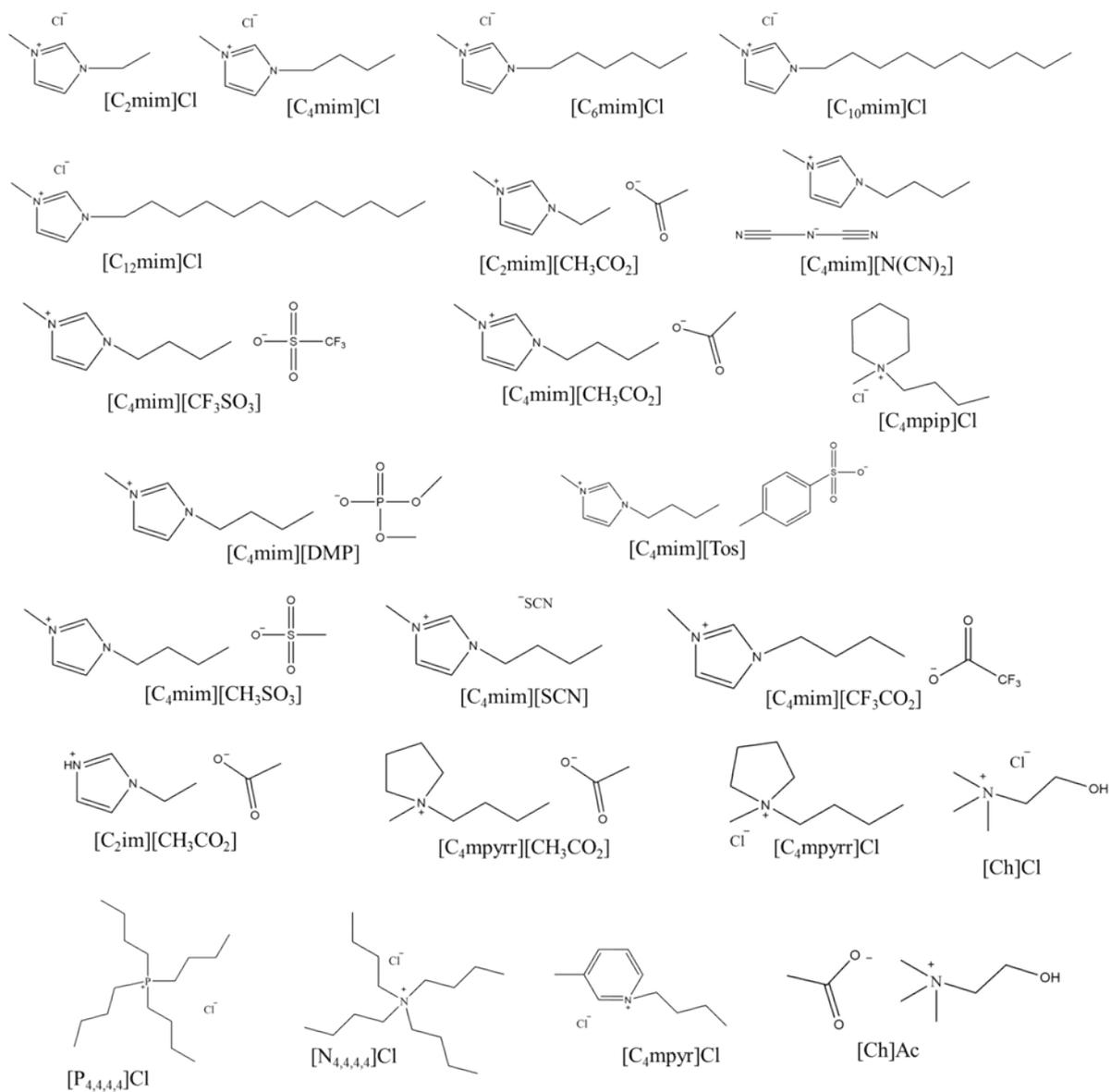
**Table A3.** Regression coefficient of the predicted polynomial model of second-order for the yield of extraction of phycobiliproteins extraction obtained from the RSM design using the McIlvaine buffer as solvent.

	<b>Regression Coefficient</b>	<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>t-student (10)</b>	<b>p-value</b>
<b>Interception</b>	1.769	1.024	1.728	0.115
<b>[Salt]</b>	0.016	0.762	0.021	0.984
<b>[Salt]<sup>2</sup></b>	-0.313	0.288	-1.089	0.302
<b>pH</b>	0.095	0.148	0.641	0.536
<b>pH<sup>2</sup></b>	-0.013	0.008	-1.613	0.138
<b>SLR</b>	-5.203	1.890	-2.753	0.020
<b>SLR<sup>2</sup></b>	3.282	1.151	2.851	0.017
<b>[Salt] x pH</b>	-0.015	0.064	-0.240	0.815
<b>[Salt] x SLR</b>	0.496	0.772	0.643	0.535
<b>pH x SLR</b>	0.091	0.129	0.711	0.493

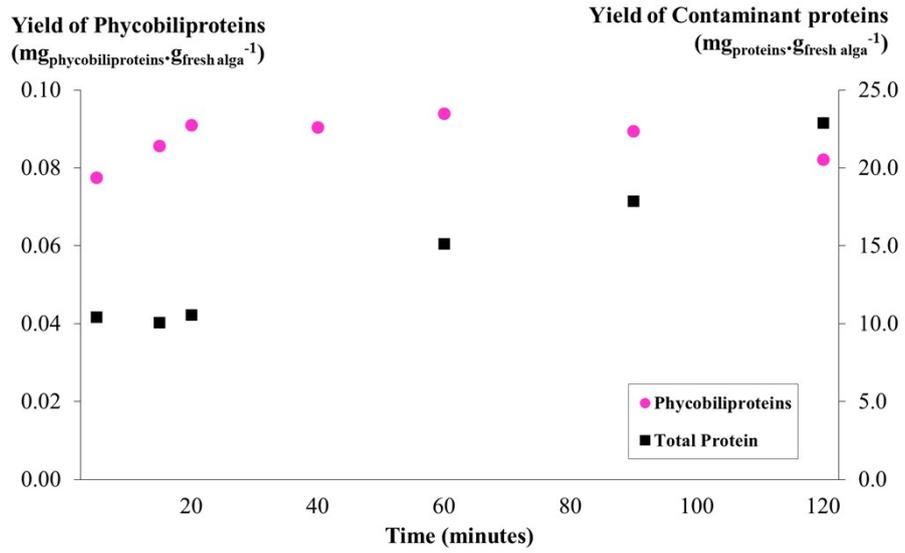
**Table A4.** ANOVA data for the yield of extraction of phycobiliproteins obtained in the factorial design of  $2^3$  planning.

	<b>Sum of Squares</b>	<b>Degrees of Freedom</b>	<b>Mean of Squares</b>	$F_{\text{calc}}$	<i>p</i> -value
<b>Regression</b>	0.055	9	0.006	3.179	0.038
<b>Error</b>	0.019	10	0.002		
<b>Total</b>	0.076	19	$R^2 = 0.7494$		

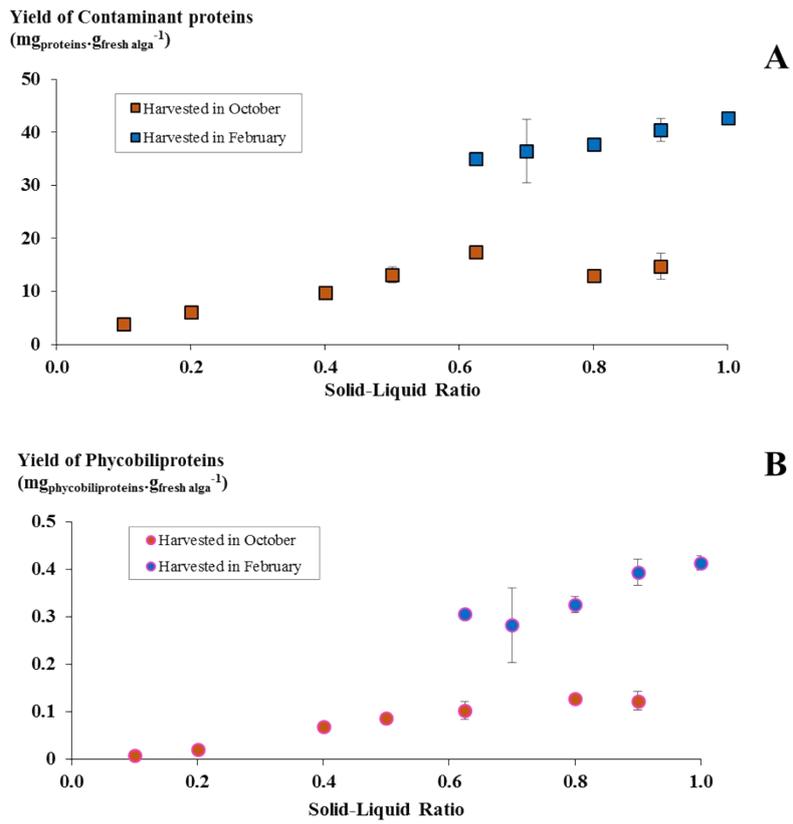
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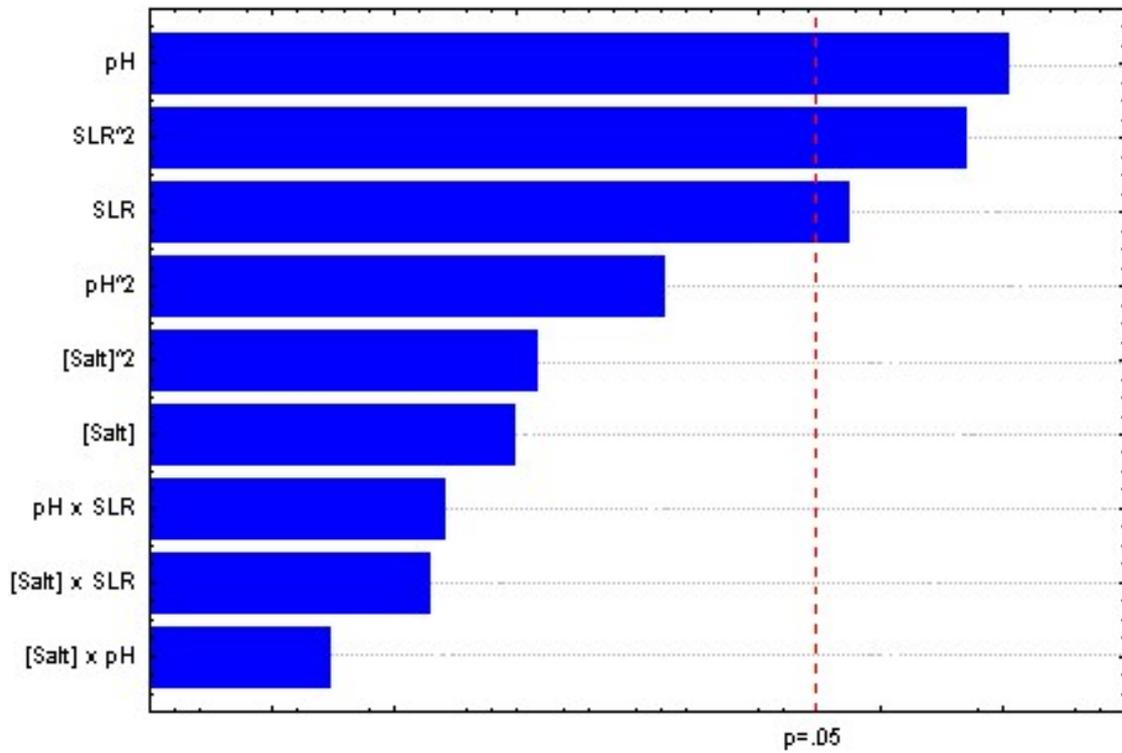
**Figure A1.** Chemical structure of the ILs used in this work.



**Figure A2.** Maximum yield of extraction of phycobiliproteins and contaminant proteins from *Gracilaria sp.* during 2 hours of extraction.



**Figure A3.** Variation of yield of extraction of (A) contaminants proteins and (B) phycobiliproteins from the macroalgae, regarding the effect of different solid-liquid ratios.



**Figure A4.** Pareto chart of the standardized effects using a  $2^3$  factorial design, being variable the yield of extraction of phycobiliproteins ( $\text{mg}_{\text{phycobiliproteins}} \cdot \text{g}_{\text{fresh alga}}^{-1}$ ).