

Supplementary materials for:

Cyanoremediation of Heavy Metals (As (V), Cd (II), Cr (VI), Pb (II)) by Live Cyanobacteria (*Anabaena variabilis*, and *Synechocystis* sp.): An Eco-Sustainable Technology

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Table S1. Experimental design of this study.

Experiments	Experimental conditions	
Effects of HMs on cyanobacterial growth and pigment production	HMs concentration:	
	<i>Synechocystis</i> sp.	<i>Anabaena variabilis</i>
	Cd: 1 mg L ⁻¹	Cd: 1 mg L ⁻¹
	As: 1 mg L ⁻¹	As: 4 mg L ⁻¹
	Pb: 4 mg L ⁻¹	Pb: 1 mg L ⁻¹
	Cr: 2 mg L ⁻¹	Cr: 1 mg L ⁻¹
	pH: 7.5	pH: 8.0
	Culture time: 12 days	Culture time: 14 days
	Scanning electron microscope (SEM), Fourier transform infrared spectrometry (FT-IR): lyophilized cell sample.	
	HMs concentration:	
	<i>Synechocystis</i> sp.	<i>Anabaena variabilis</i>
	Cd: 1 mg L ⁻¹	Cd: 1 mg L ⁻¹
	As: 1 mg L ⁻¹	As: 4 mg L ⁻¹
	Pb: 4 mg L ⁻¹	Pb: 1 mg L ⁻¹
	Cr: 2 mg L ⁻¹	Cr: 1 mg L ⁻¹
	pH: 7.5	pH: 8.0

	Culture time: 48 h	Culture time: 48 h
Surface negativity change: Zeta potential	HMs concentration: <i>Synechocystis</i> sp. Cd: 1 mg L ⁻¹ As: 1 mg L ⁻¹ Pb: 4 mg L ⁻¹ Cr: 2 mg L ⁻¹ pH: 7.5	<i>Anabaena variabilis</i> Cd: 1 mg L ⁻¹ As: 4 mg L ⁻¹ Pb: 1 mg L ⁻¹ Cr: 1 mg L ⁻¹ pH: 8.0
	Culture time: 48 h	Culture time: 48 h

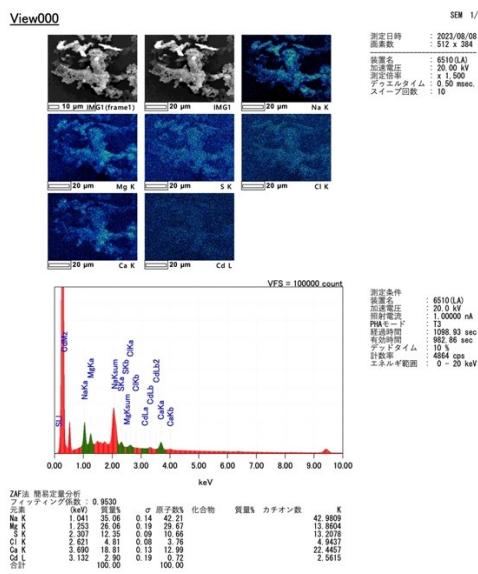
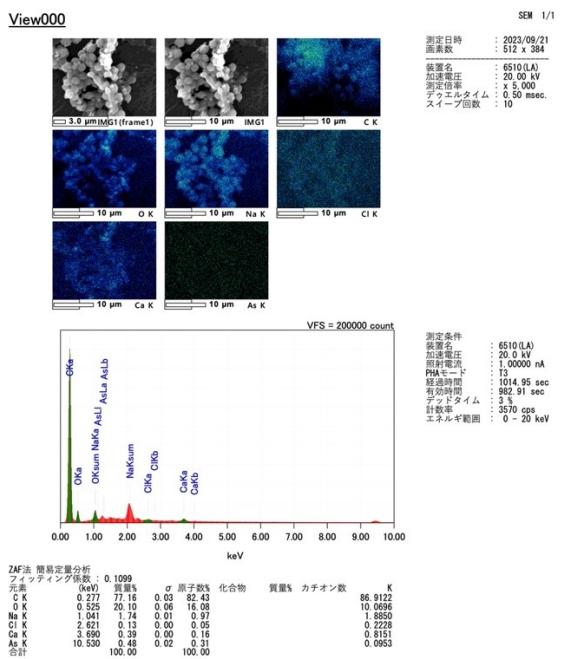


Figure S1. EDS mapping of *Synechocystis* sp. (NIES-3758) under Cd contamination.

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Figure S2. EDS mapping of *Synechocystis* sp. (NIES-3758) under As contamination.

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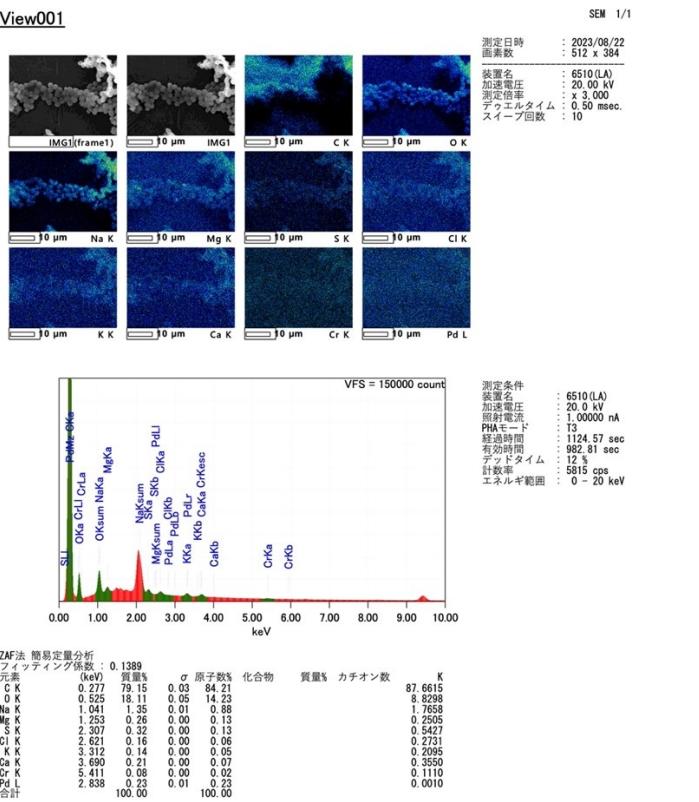


Figure S3. EDS mapping of *Synechocystis* sp. (NIES-3758) under Pb contamination.

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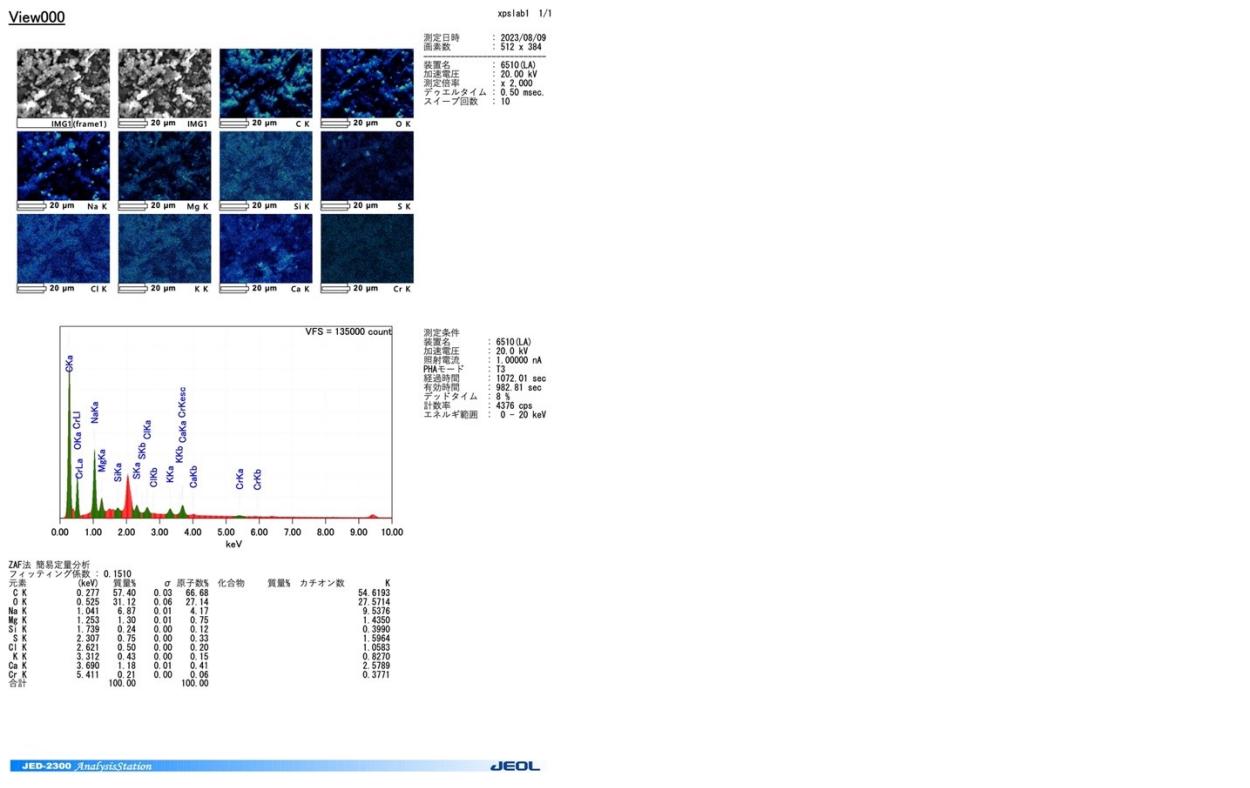
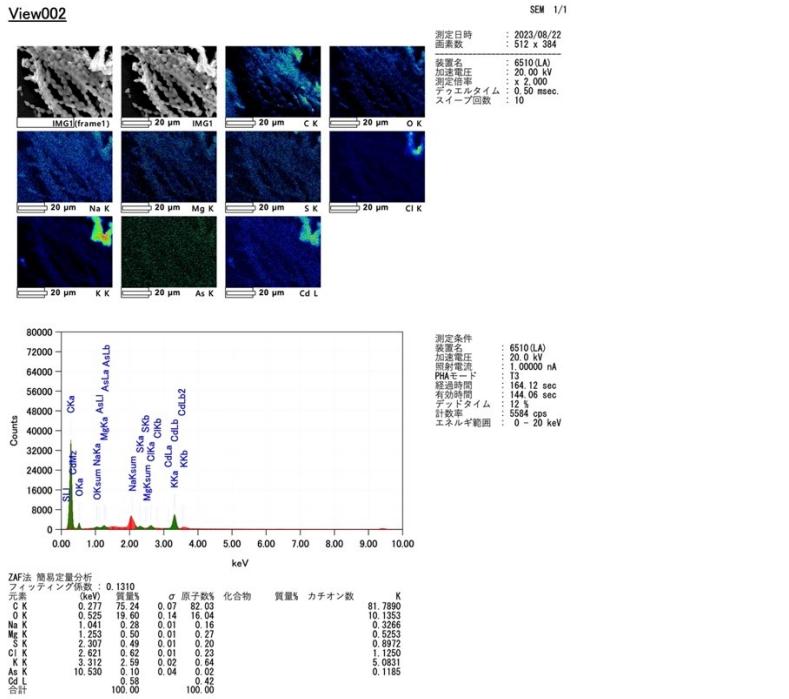


Figure S4. EDS mapping of *Synechocystis* sp. (NIES-3758) under Cr contamination.

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Figure S5. EDS mapping of *Anabaena variabilis* (NIES-2095) under Cd contamination.

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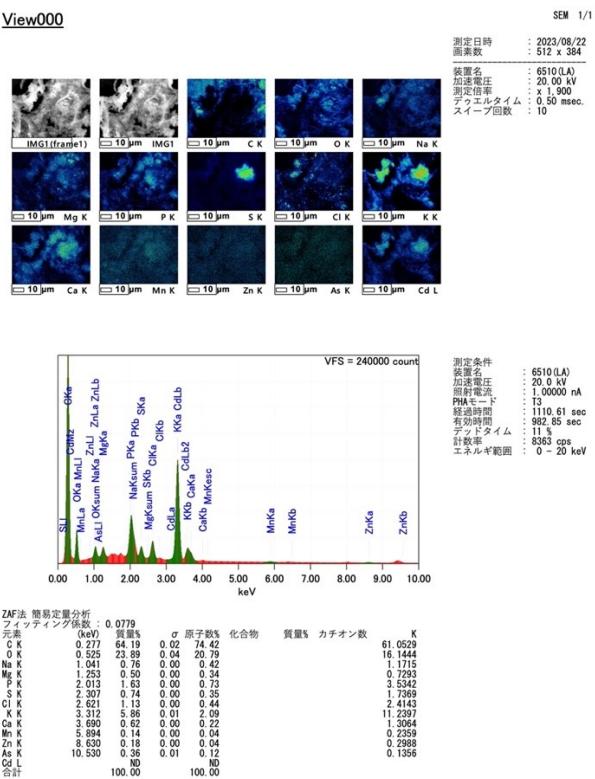


Figure S6. EDS mapping of *Anabaena variabilis* (NIES-2095) under As contamination.

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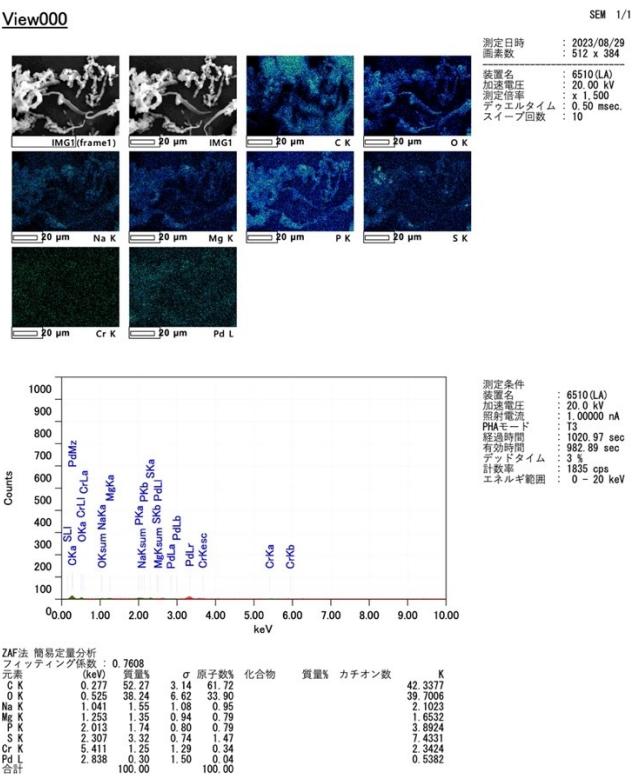


Figure S7. EDS mapping of *Anabaena variabilis* (NIES-2095) under Pb contamination.

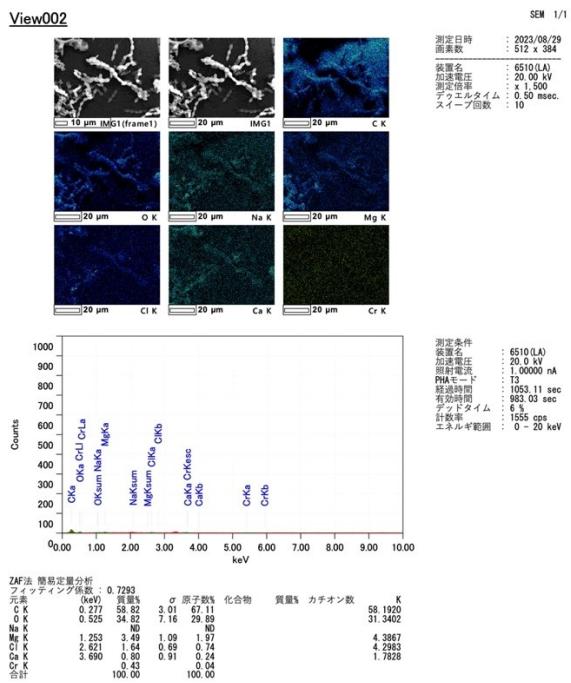


Figure S8. EDS mapping of *Anabaena variabilis* (NIES-2095) under Cr contamination.

Table S2. Zeta potential of *Anabaena variabilis*

Heavy metals	Excperiment-1 (mV)	Experiment-2 (mV)	Experiment-3 (mV)	Mean (mV)	Standard deviation
Control	-29.31	-29.51	-31.99	-30.27	1.49
Pb	-17.97	-19.22	-20.50	-19.23	1.27
As	-15.60	-15.90	-18.75	-16.75	1.74
Cr	-11.07	-16.55	-14.17	-13.93	2.75
Cd	-13.35	-11.99	-12.56	-12.63	0.68

Table S3. Zeta potential of *Synechocystis* sp.

Heavy metals	Excperiment-1 (mV)	Experiment-2 (mV)	Experiment-3 (mV)	Mean (mV)	Standard deviation
Control	-31.67	-28.79	-31.57	-31.57	1.63
Cr	-15.04	-16.91	-17.90	-16.91	1.45
As	-20.58	-18.03	-12.21	-18.03	4.29
Pb	-19.47	-22.30	-21.56	-21.56	1.47
Cd	-21.13	-24.35	-25.38	-24.35	2.21