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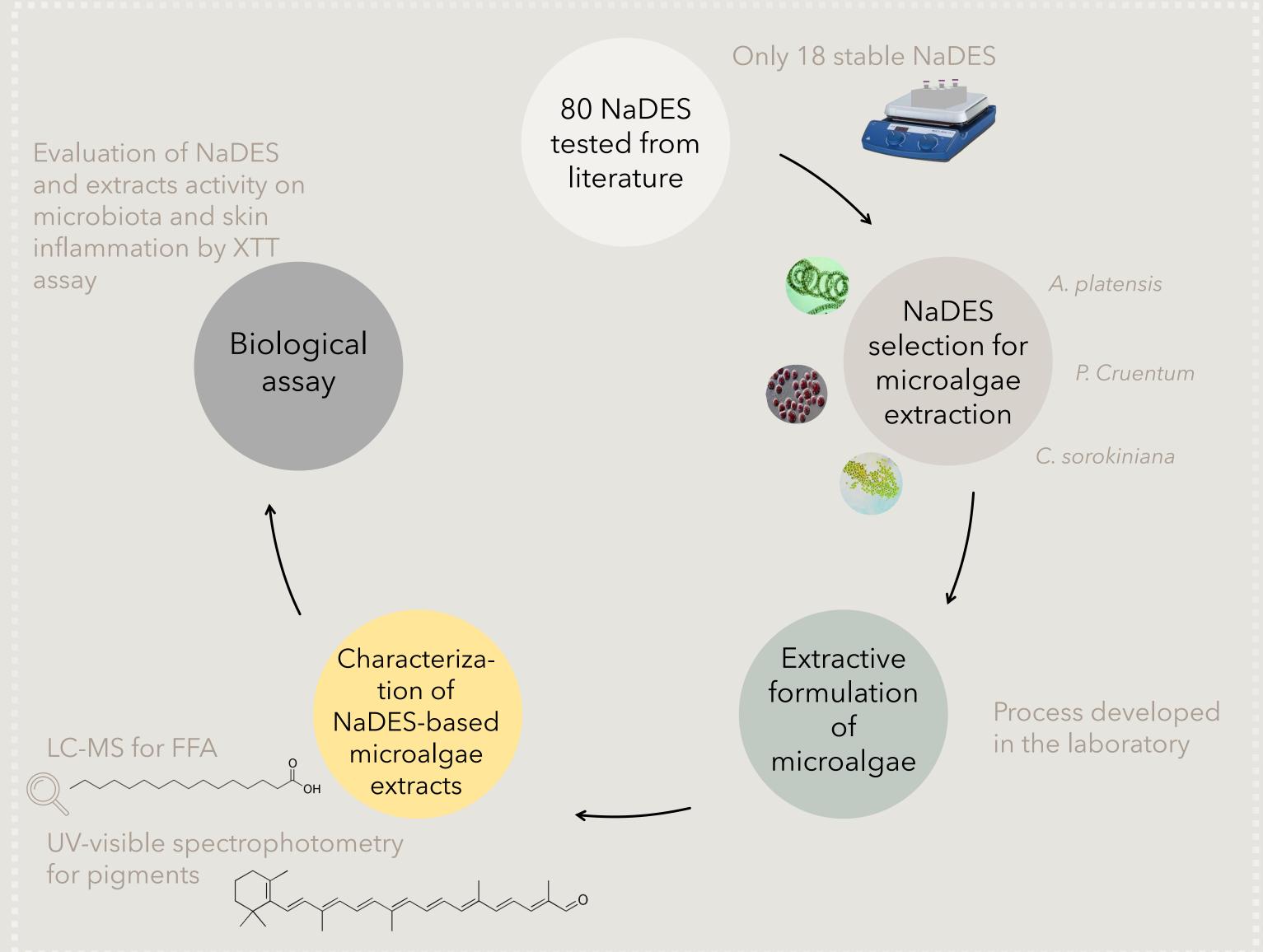


Microalgae are a valuable source of biomolecules including free fatty acids (FFA) have anti-inflammatory, moisturizing and regulating properties, which is a highly added value for cosmetic industry.

Extraction of FFA and non-polar pigments has long required the use of organic solvents not compatible with topical application non environmentally friendly. In that case, Natural Deep Eutectic Solvents (NaDES) show many interests.

Carotenoids

## Pre-established work









# Objectives

For a better understanding of their interactions, a thermodynamic property prediction tool has been used: Conductor-like Screening Model for Real Solvents (COSMO-RS).

A NaDES made of a fatty acid (FA) and a polyol was tested at 3 different ratios for Arthrospira platensis (Spirulina) extraction in order to highlight the influence or not of NaDES composition on the extraction performances.

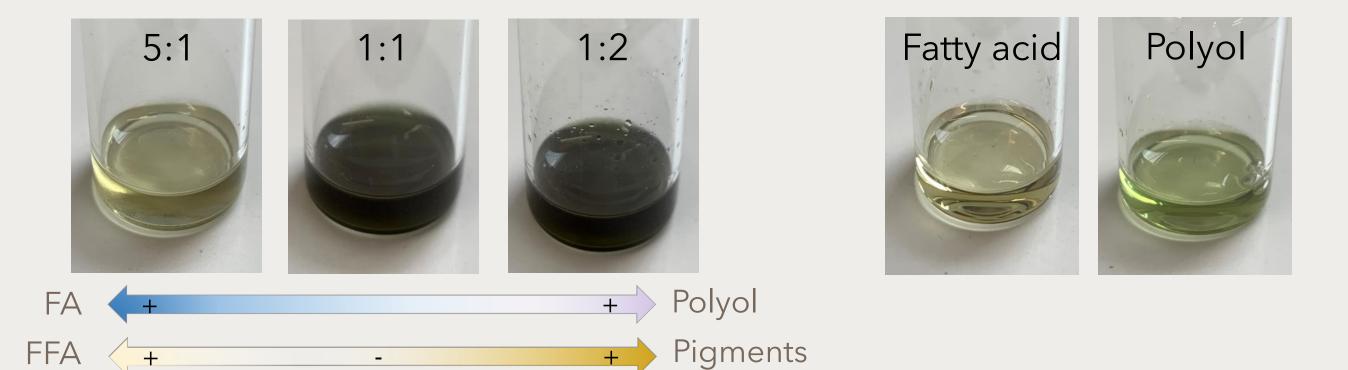


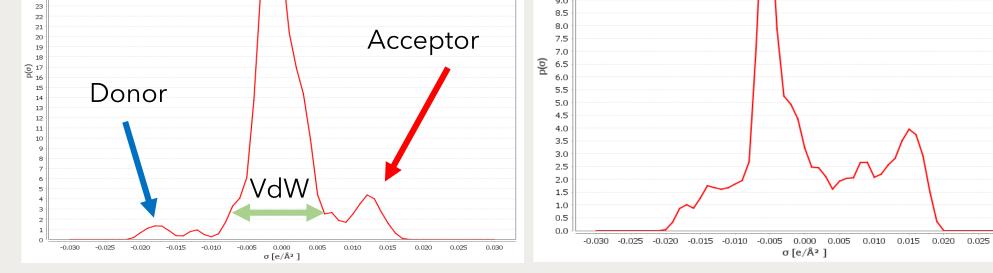
A pre-selection step can be performed using  $\sigma$  profiles of a selection of component to estimate molecules associations as one NaDES. Taken in mirror image, these profiles can tell us which components could possibly associate according to their H-bond donor and acceptor groups.

33		N
32	12.5	
31	12.0	
30	 11.5	
29		
28	11.0	
27	10.5	
26	10.0	
25	95	
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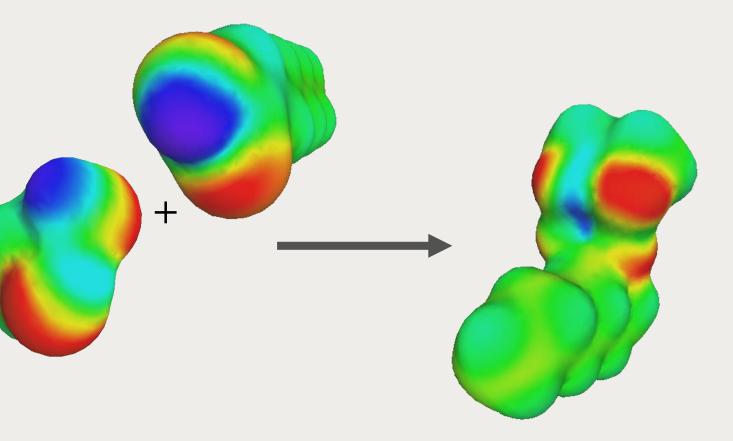


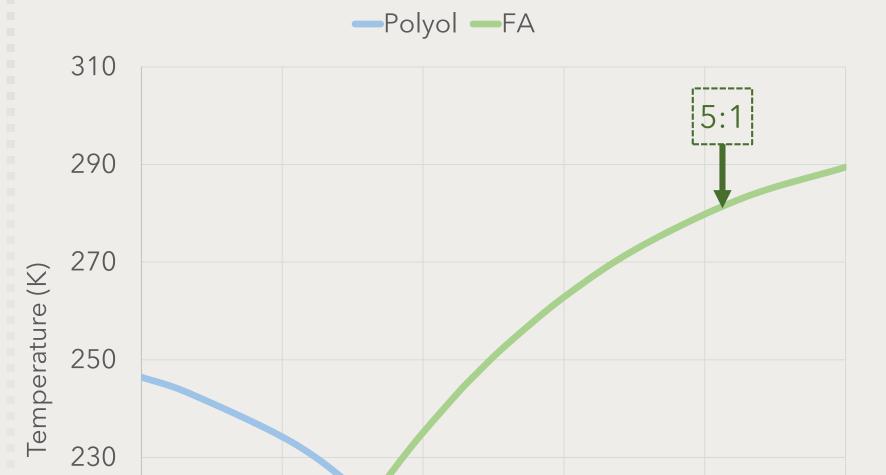
3 molecular ratio of the NaDES FA:polyol have been tested for Spirulina extraction as well as pure compounds to evaluate the efficacy of NaDES.





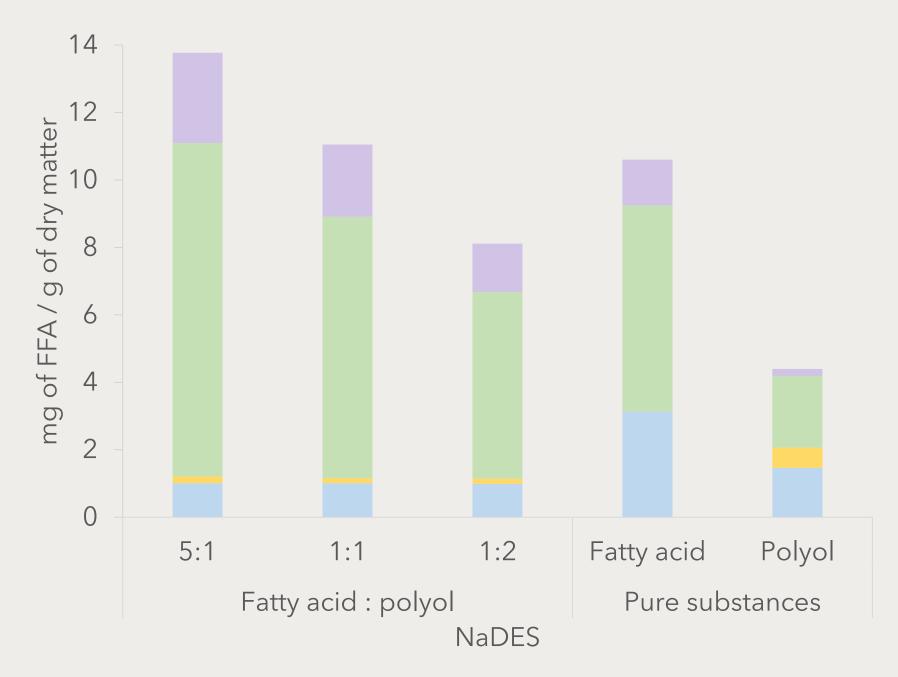
The  $\sigma$  surface of the two preselected component i.e., a FA and a polyol, can be generated; as well as the  $\sigma$  surface of these two molecules interacting together according to modeling and conformers determination.



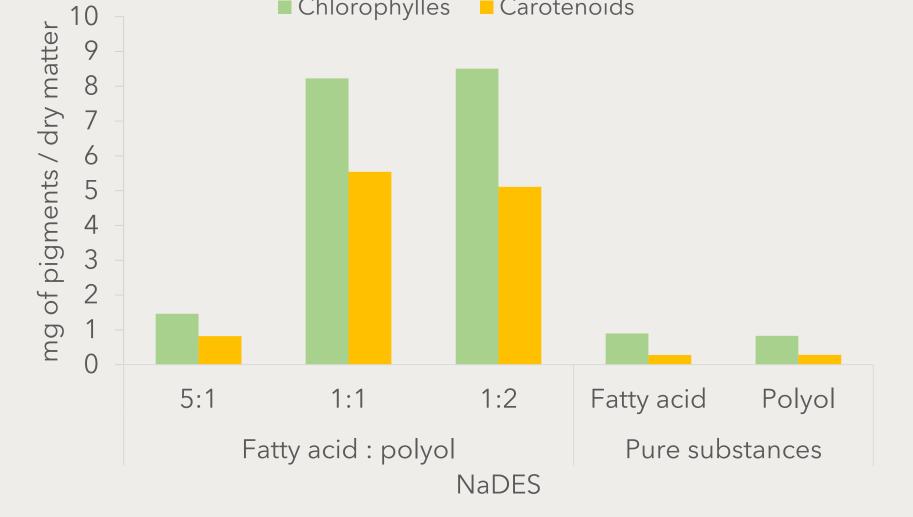


The binary phase diagram enables estimation of the solvent condition at the eutectic point. For the FA:polyol NaDES, theoretical eutectic point (TEP) is determined at a molar ratio of 1:2. Experimentally, eutectic point (EEP) was considered at a molar ratio of 5:1. To determine the impact of the eutectic ratio, experimental tests were performed.

Palmitic acid (16) Linolenic acid (18:3) Linoleic acid (18:2) Oleic acid (18:1)



## Chlorophylles Carotenoids



The extracts performed at the TEP conditions (1:2) show no improvement in terms of FFA extraction. On the other hand, as the FA content in the NaDES increases, more FFA are The extracted. FFA composition of pure bodies shows complementary profiles.

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TEP (1	:2)	the	pign	nent		
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### higher than the EEP ratio (5:1). Taken alone the components have a very low extraction capacity.

# **Conclusion & Perspectives**

The results obtained for the FFA and pigments show the interest of combining the two components

- Taken separately, the FA and the polyol have complementary profile for FFA extraction while for pigments they have a low extraction capacity
- According to the needed properties, both NaDES at theoretical and experimental eutectic point can be valorized.

### In the future:

- Selection of NaDES with COSMO-RS according to the solubilization parameters with the metabolites of interest
- Use of COSMO-RS for ternary NaDES and biphasic NaDES simulation
- Dynamic modeling (work in collaboration with InSiliBio)