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Yesterday each of us found a different Chl/Car, Chla/Chlb and chlorophyll concentration:

	Mads	Koen	Eva	Jasmya
Chl/Car	4.18	3.56	4.14	4.19
Chl a/Chlb	2.78	2.77	2.37	2.59
chl concentration	0.63	1.59	0.86	1.24

↳ mg/mL

ABSORPTION

- Today we started with preparing our samples for an absorption spectrum. We prepared tubes with 3 mL B₁ and a bit (about half a milliliter) of our concentrated thylakoids.
- We moved to the spectrometer in the dark room and installed an integration sphere. (for measuring the scattering as well)
- We put our samples into the spectrometer and retrieved graphs we will analyse later today. We saved our samples for fluorescence.

FLUORESCENCE

- We determine fluorescence at 77 K (-196.15 °C). The trapping to the RC will be less efficient at this temperature, so we will measure more fluorescence.
- To do this we retrieved liquid nitrogen from the -1 floor. We carried it up the stairs because taking it into the elevator is a safety hazard.
- We set up the machine for low temperatures.
- We froze our samples from the absorption in a thin glass pipette (we put them carefully into the liquid nitrogen, otherwise the glass would burst). Then we quickly transported the pipette into the machine (into a vacuum tube filled with liquid nitrogen).
- We retrieved our graphs and could directly see the fluorescence (between 730 nm and 750 nm). Data-analysis we will do this afternoon.

Data analysis

• we began making 5 graphs of our own plant and 3 graphs of all of our plants. In this way we can interpret our measurements. The graphs are normalized.

- ① Emission plant vs. absorption plant (room temp)
- ② Absorption plant vs absorption AT (model plant)
- ③ Emission plant vs emission AT (room temp) + difference
- ④ Emission plant vs emission AT (low temp) + difference
- ⑤ Emission plant room temp vs low temp
- ⑥ Absorption all plants
- ⑦ Emission all plants (room temp.)
- ⑧ Emission all plants (low temp.)

The code in python is uploaded in Github.

We didn't finish all the graphs today, so we finished them at home.