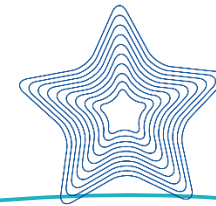


PERFORMANCE of BIVALVES

Pruebas previas al diseño experimental (junio 2023)



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Experimento de temperatura

5.1 & 5.3. Salinity and temperatura experiments in mesocosms (july 2023)

-Performance curves for recruits and juveniles: constant temperatura without tides, 2 days.

4 Treatments:

18 °C

21 °C

24 °C

27 °C

4 Species:

Fina

Babosa

Japónica

Berberecho

2 Sizes:

2 – 5 mm

10 – 12 mm

3 pilot experiments to answer:

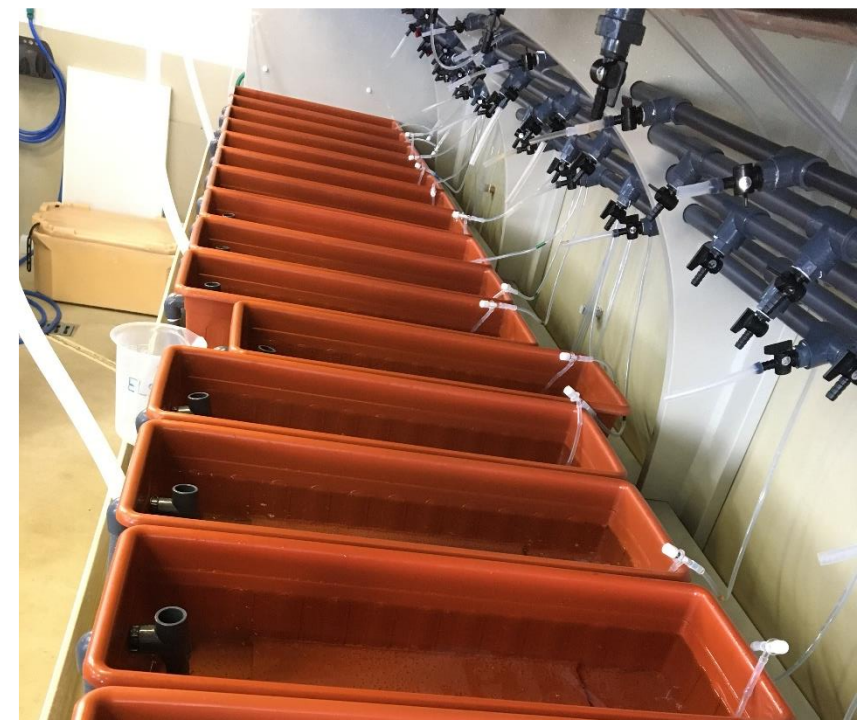
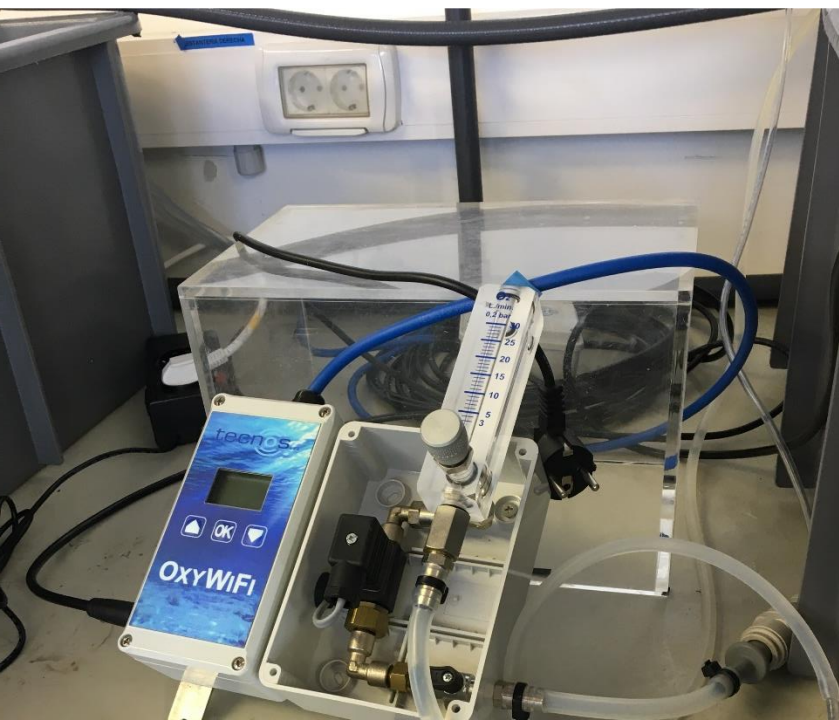
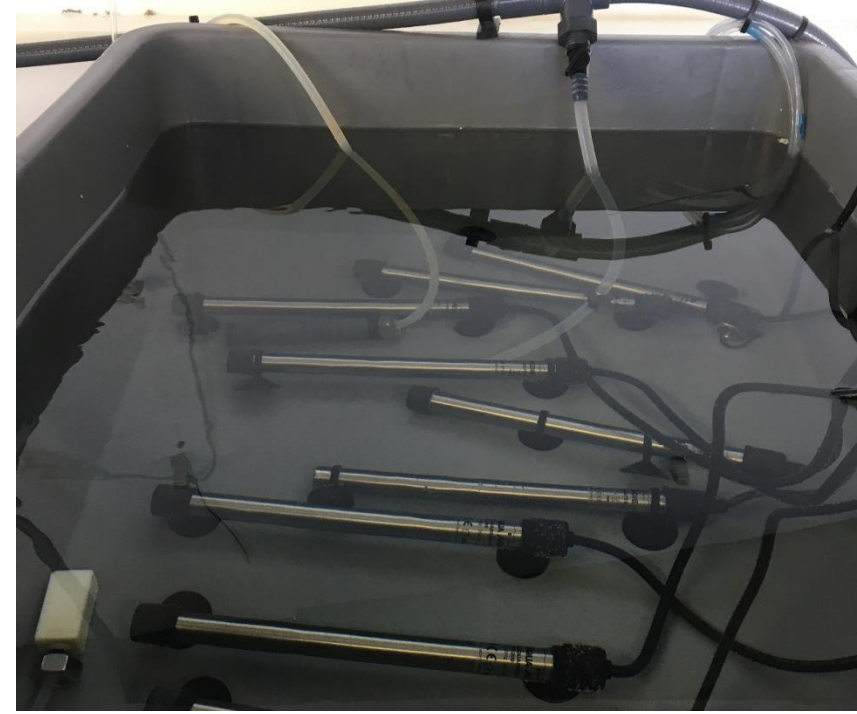


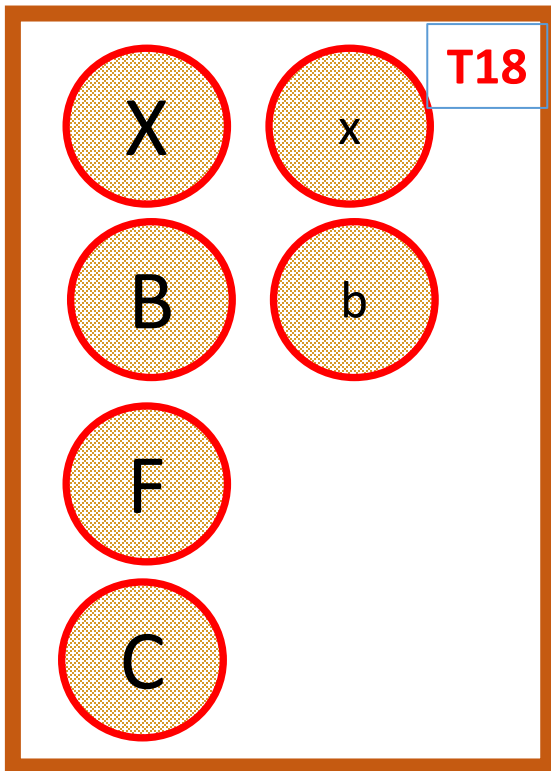
1. What is the the experimental unit? ¿1 individual? ¿3? ¿5?
2. Are there significant differences in [O₂] at different temperatures?
3. What volumen do we need to register ammonium signal? ¿20, 40, 60 u 80 ml?

Objectives

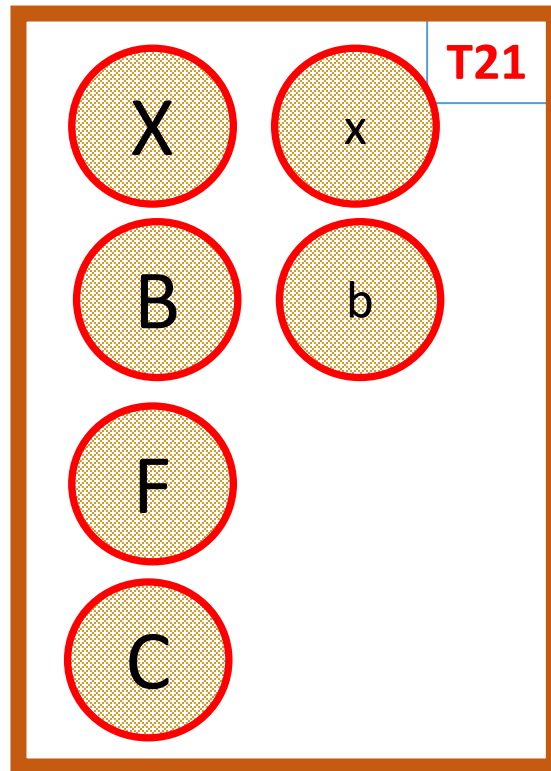
Objective 5: Mesocosm experiments to analyze the effect of the changes determined in Objectives 1, 2, 3 and 4.

- Task 5.1: Preliminary mesocosm experiments based on bibliographic data to analyze the effect of extreme events on mortality, scope-for-growth and reproduction.
- Task 5.2: Reproducing future extreme sediment alterations in mesocosm experiments to analyze their effect on mortality.
- Task 5.3: Reproducing future extreme low salinity and high temperature conditions in mesocosm experiments to analyze their effect on mortality, scope-for-growth and reproduction.
- Task 5.4: Post processing experimental data.

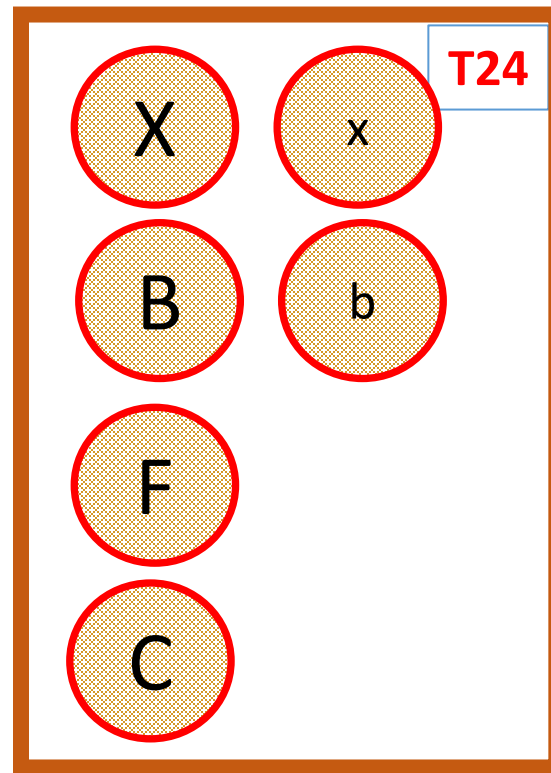




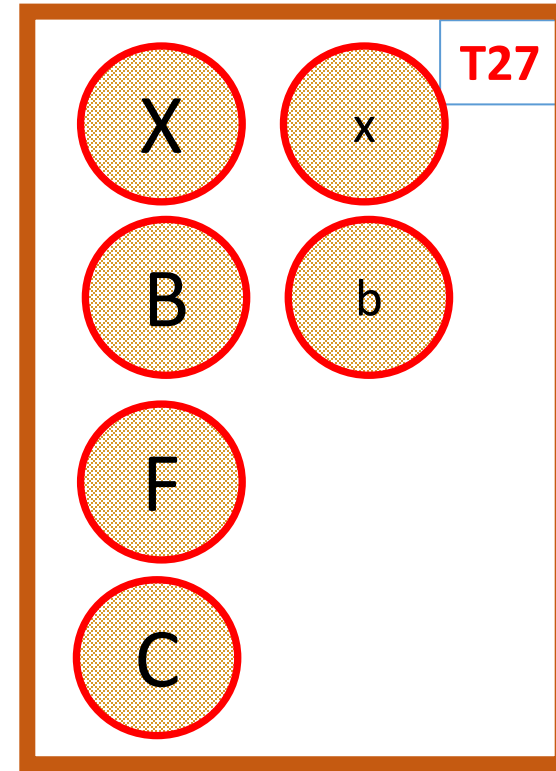
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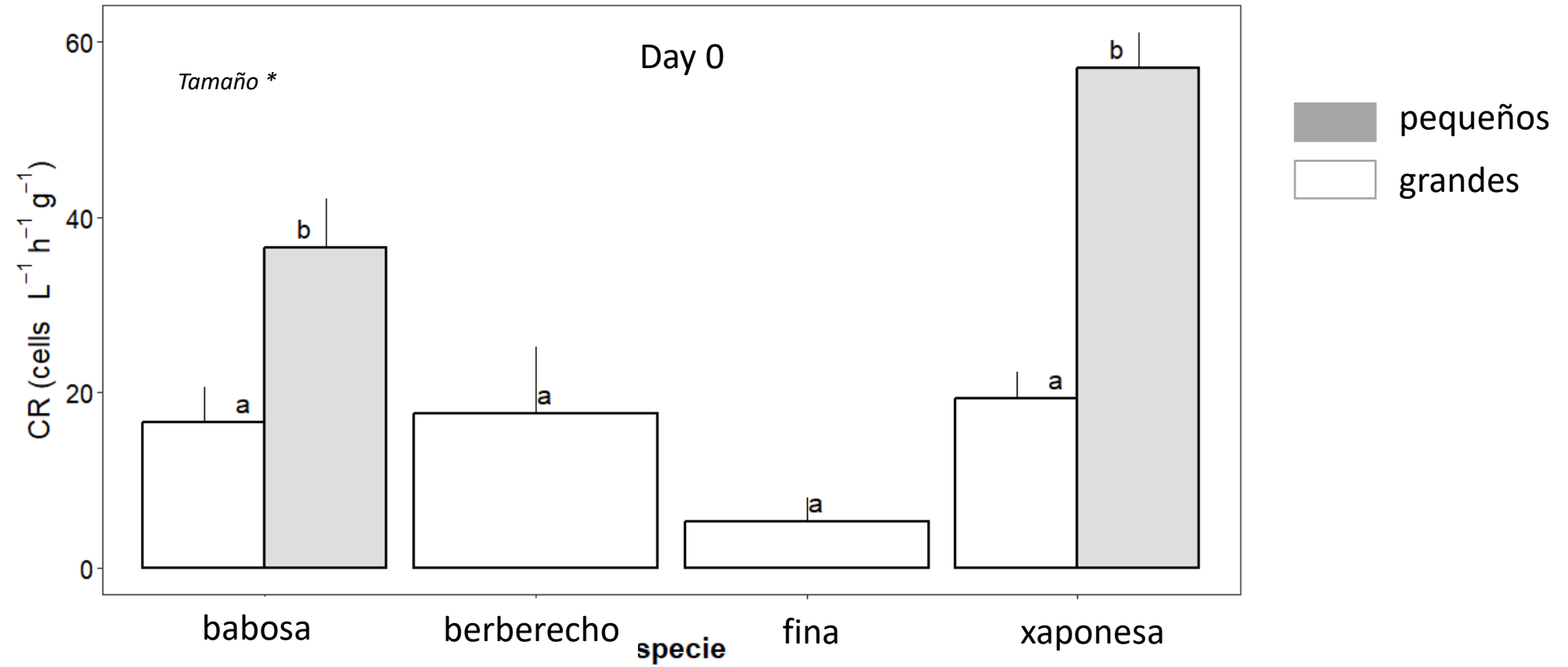
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Cada individuo en un vasito y cada vasito en una maceta



- *Preliminary results*

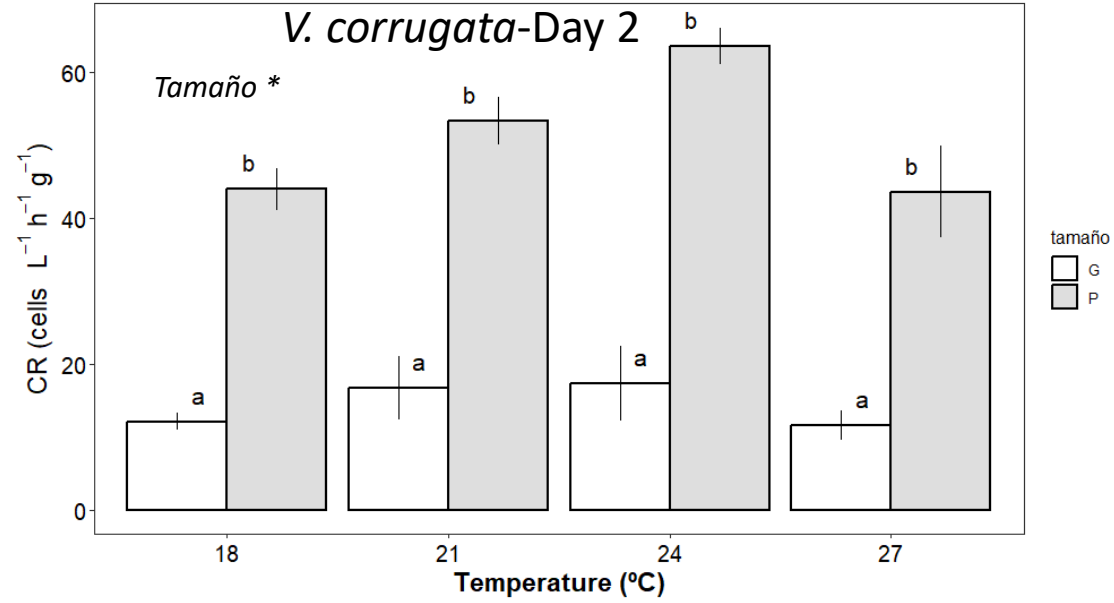
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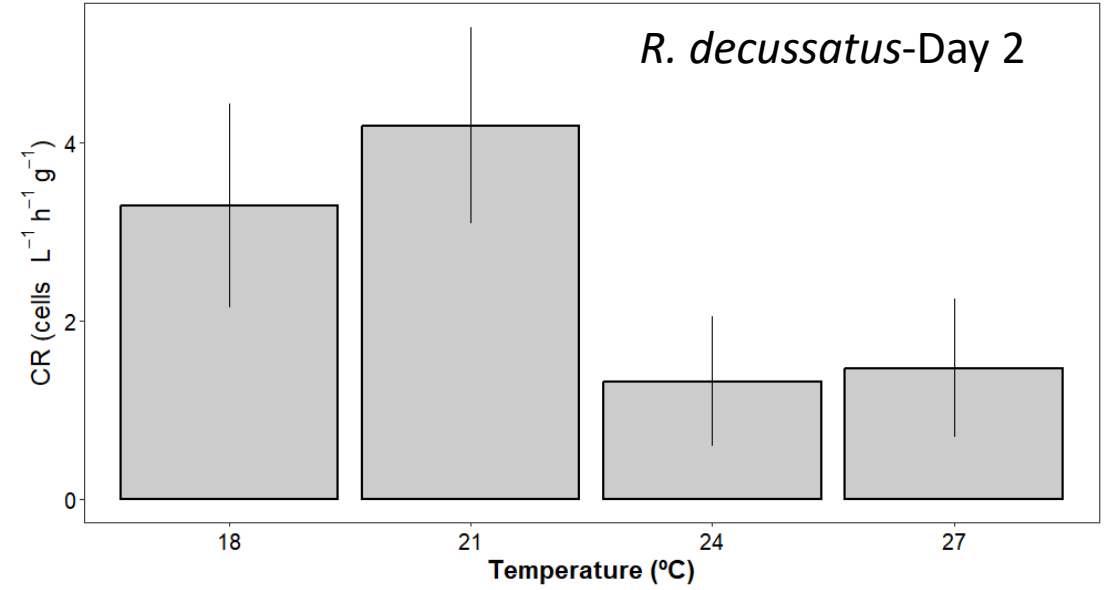
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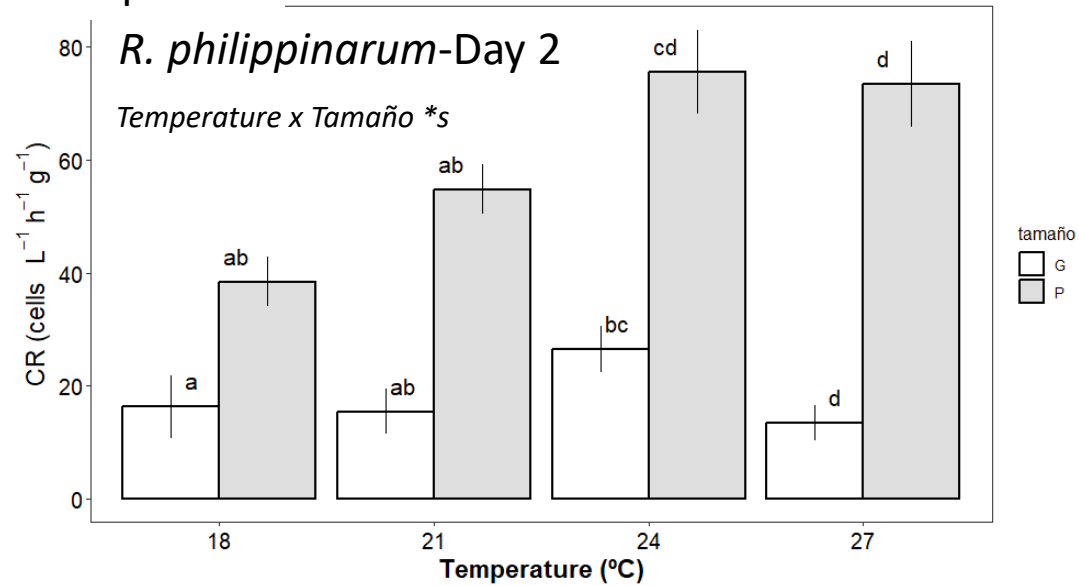
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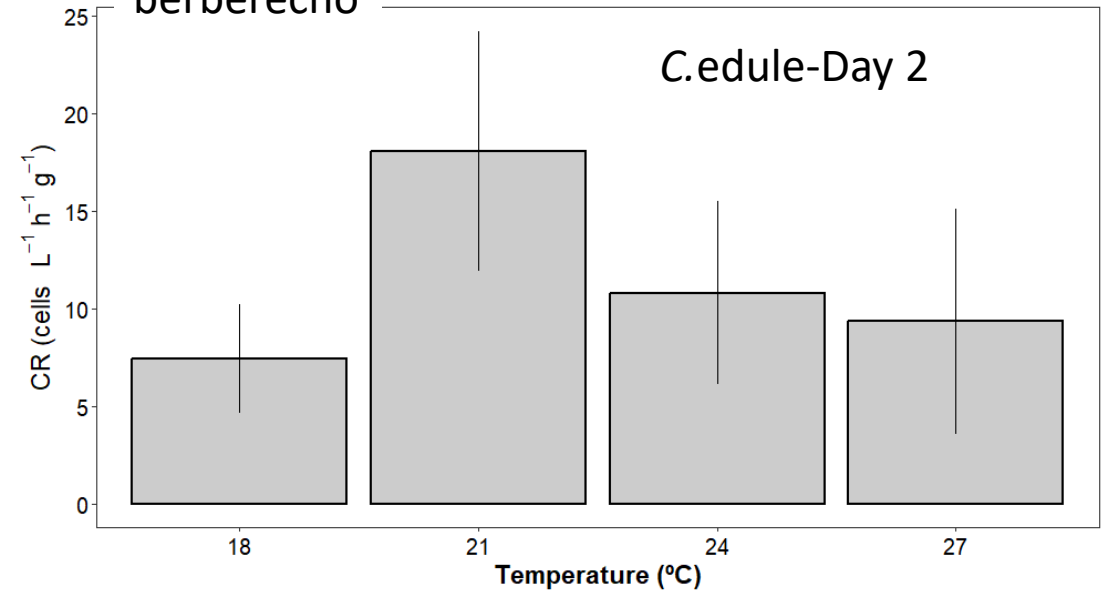
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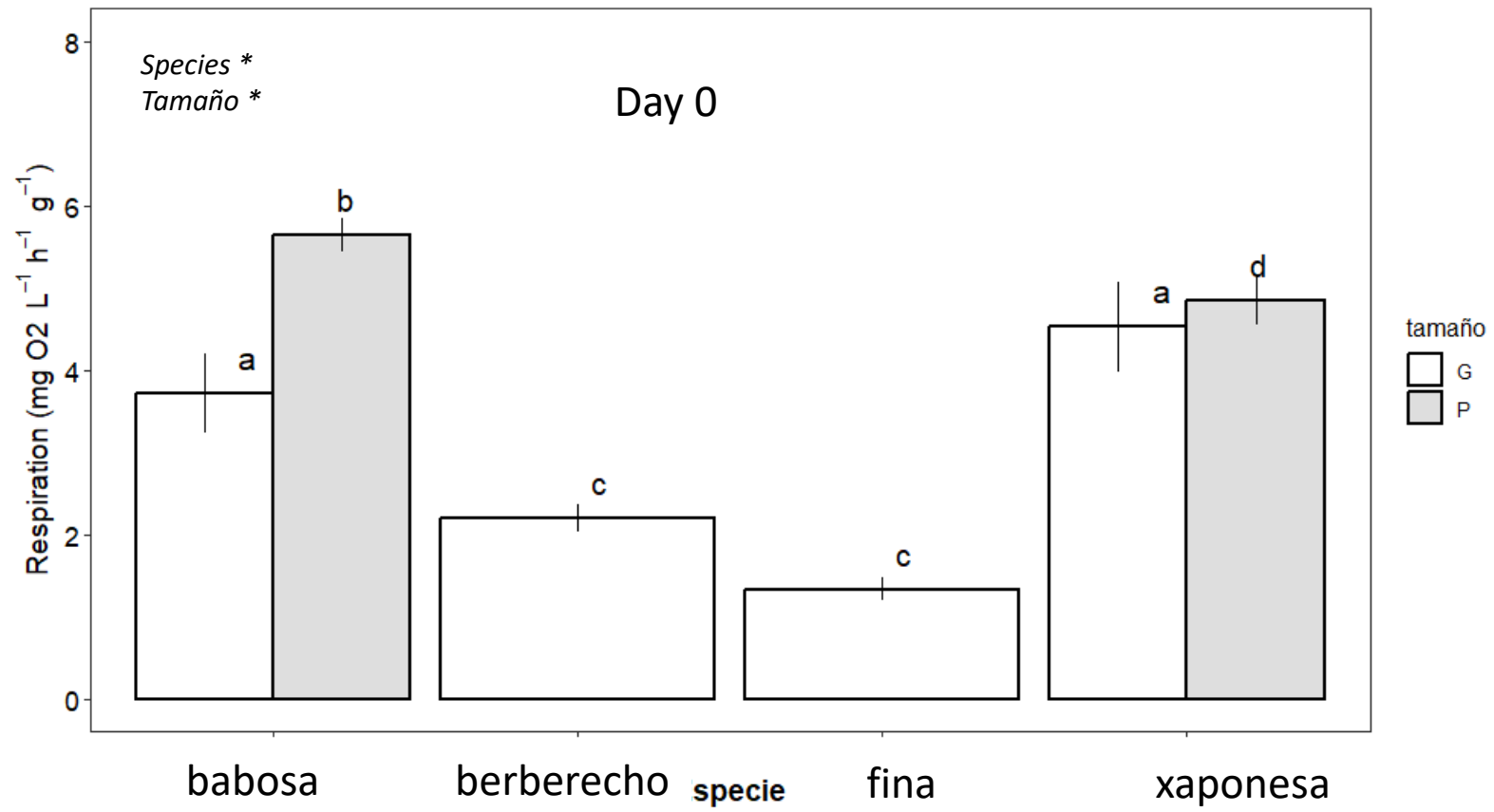
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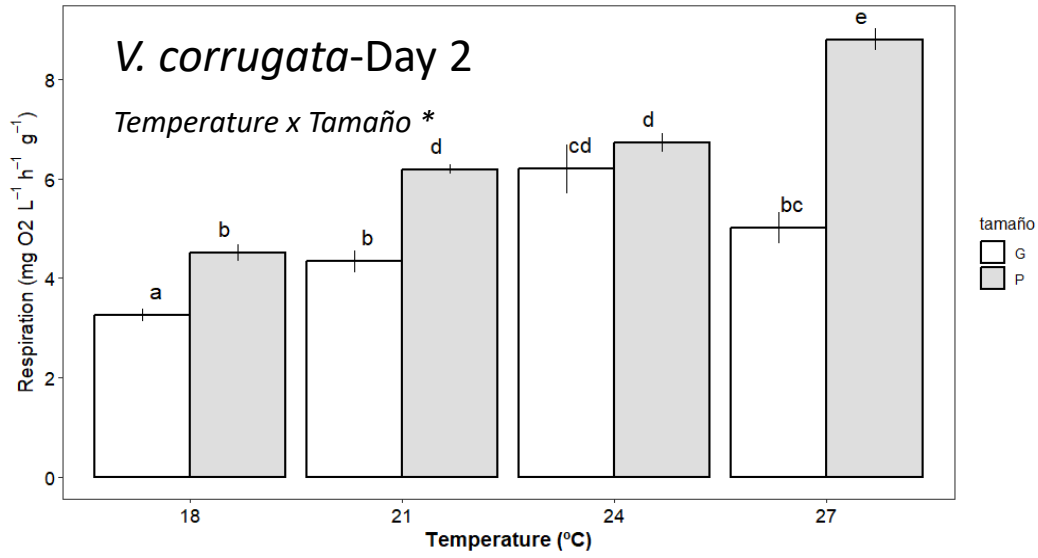


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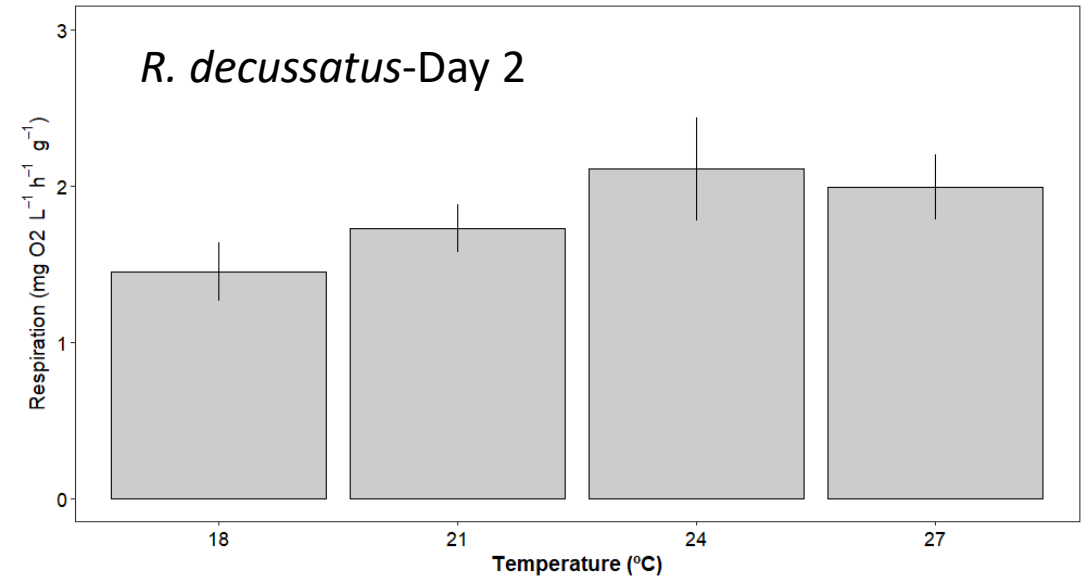


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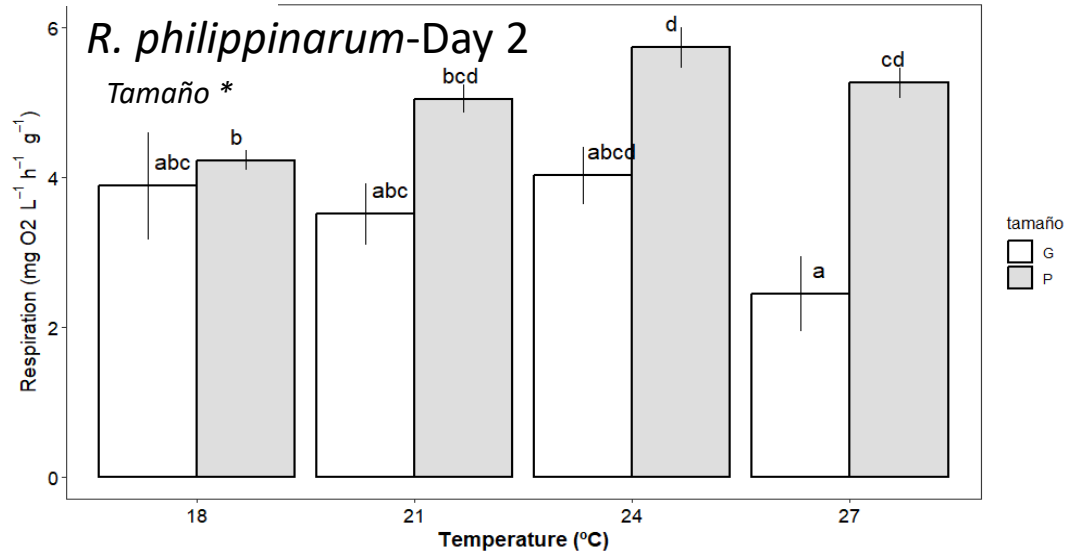
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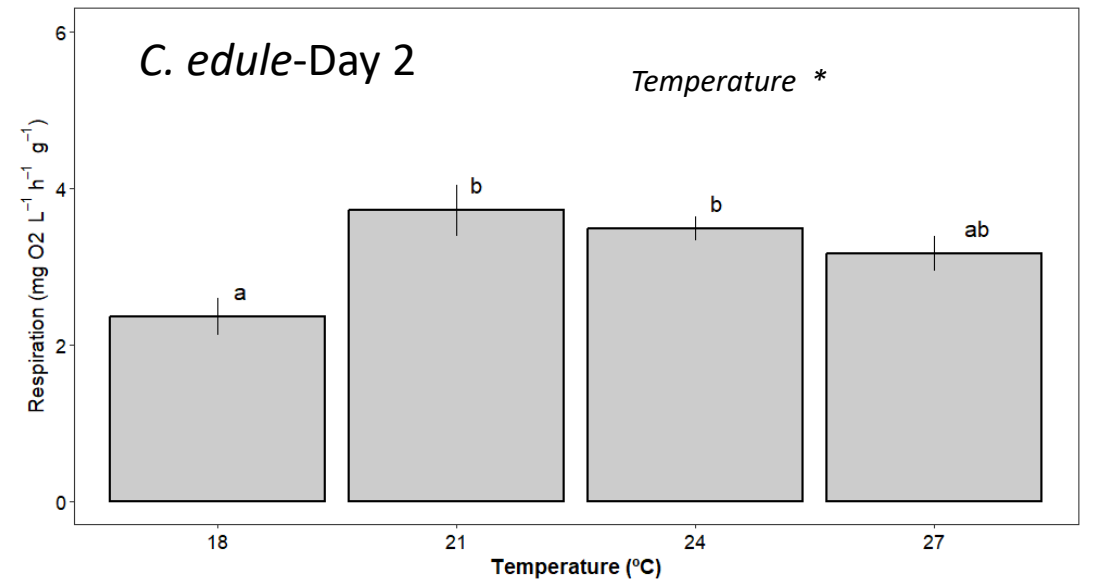
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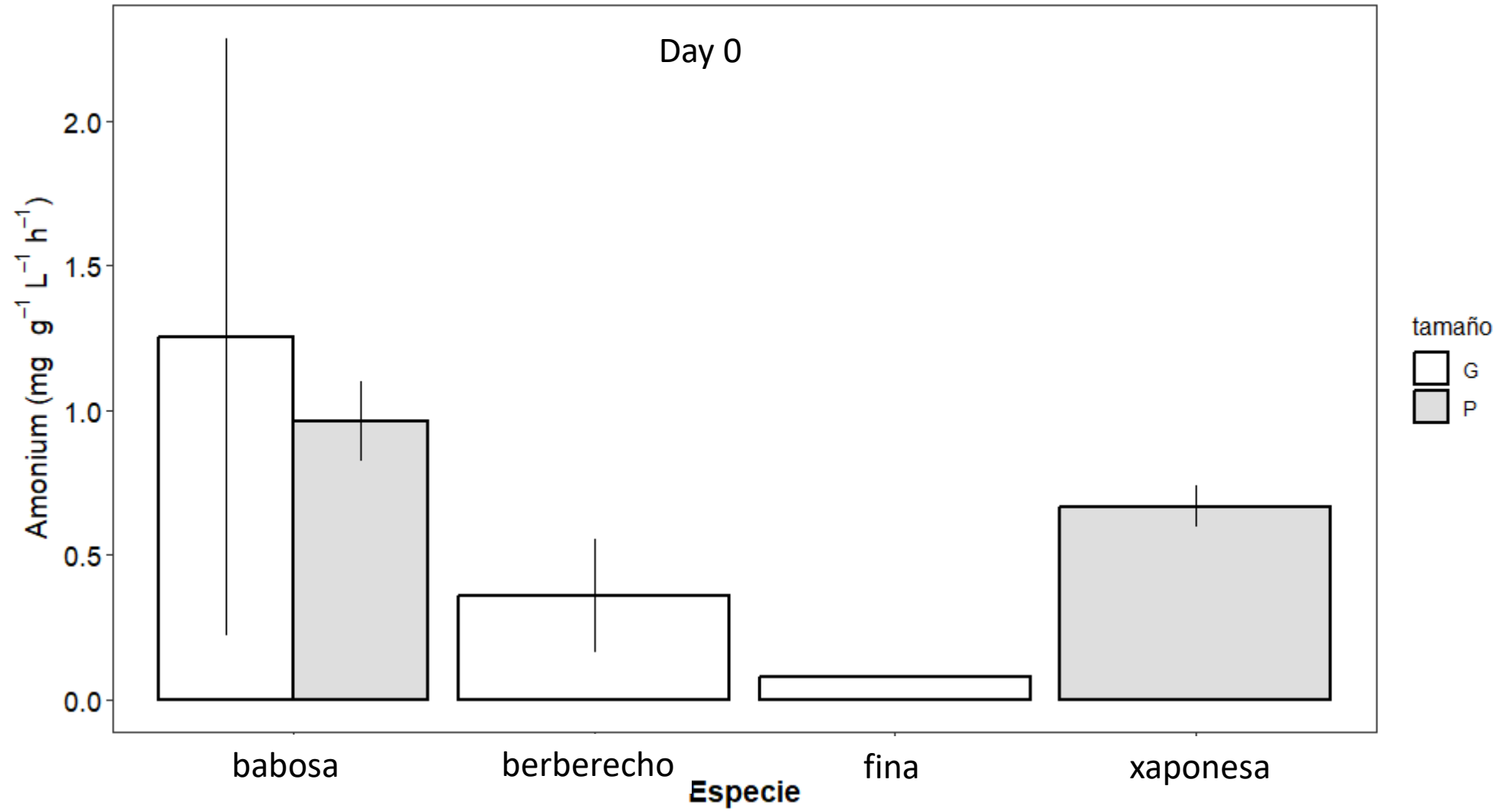
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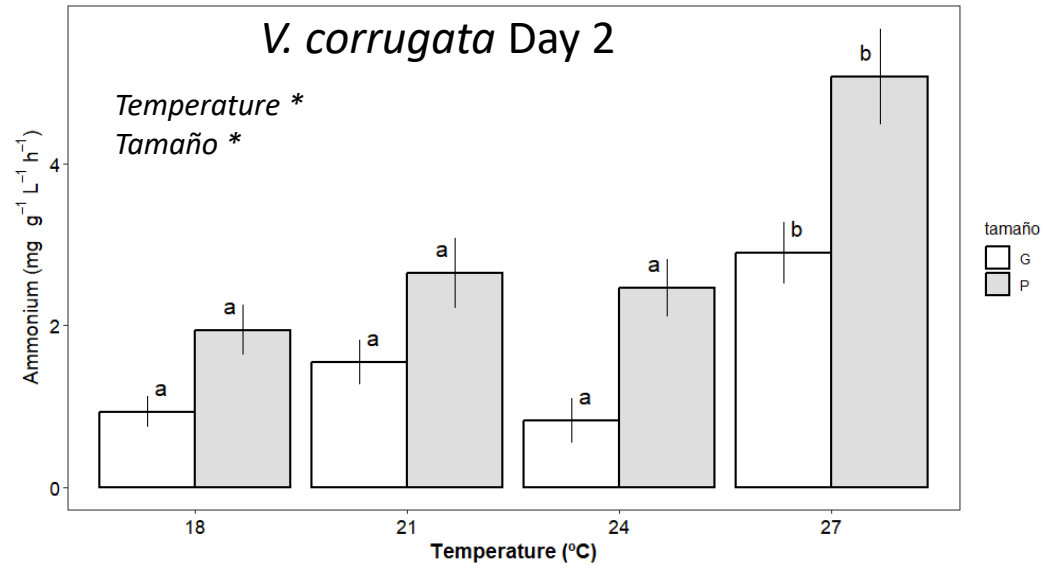


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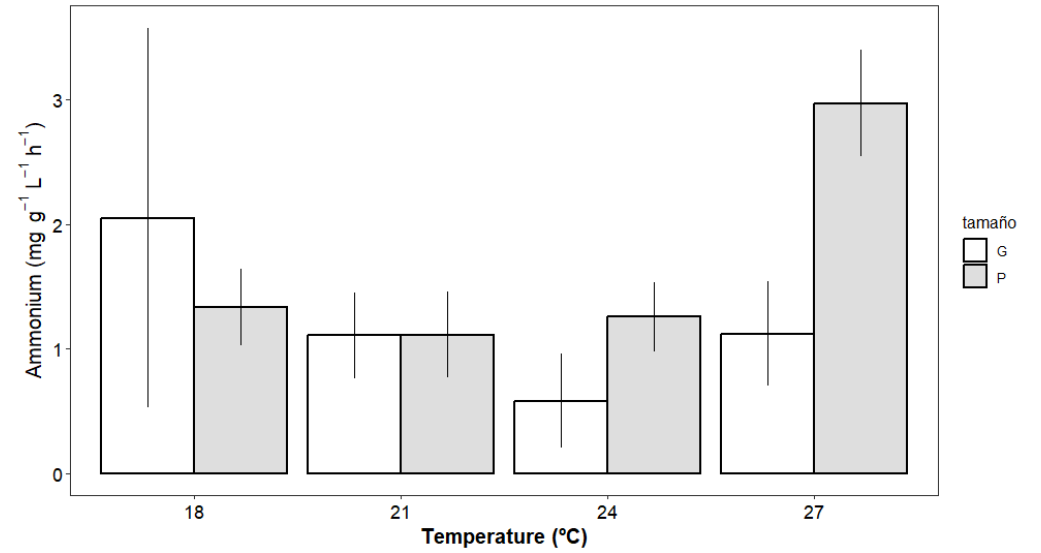
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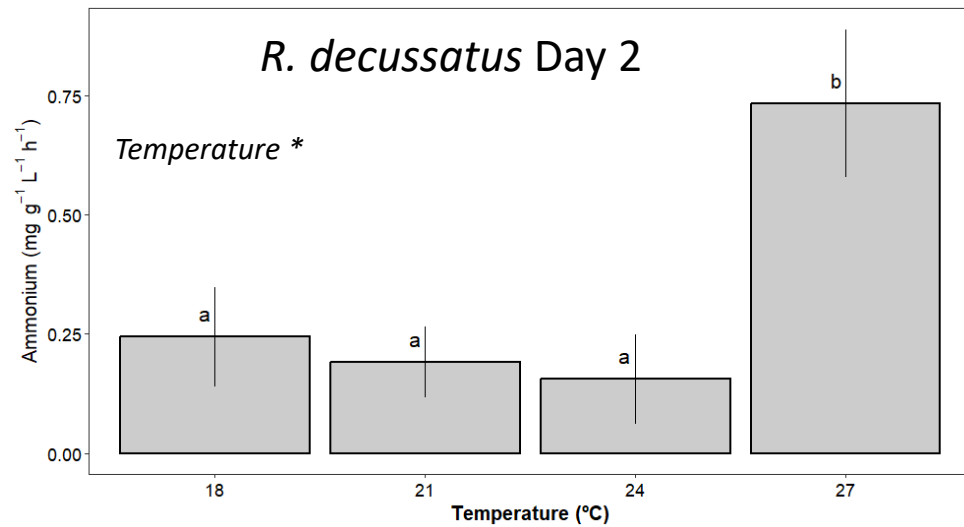


R. philippinarum Day 2

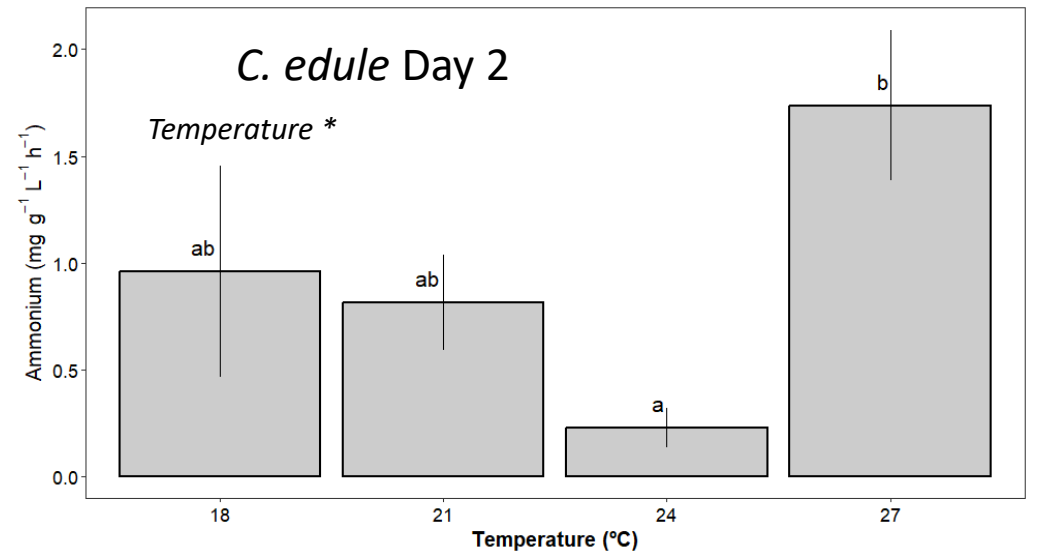
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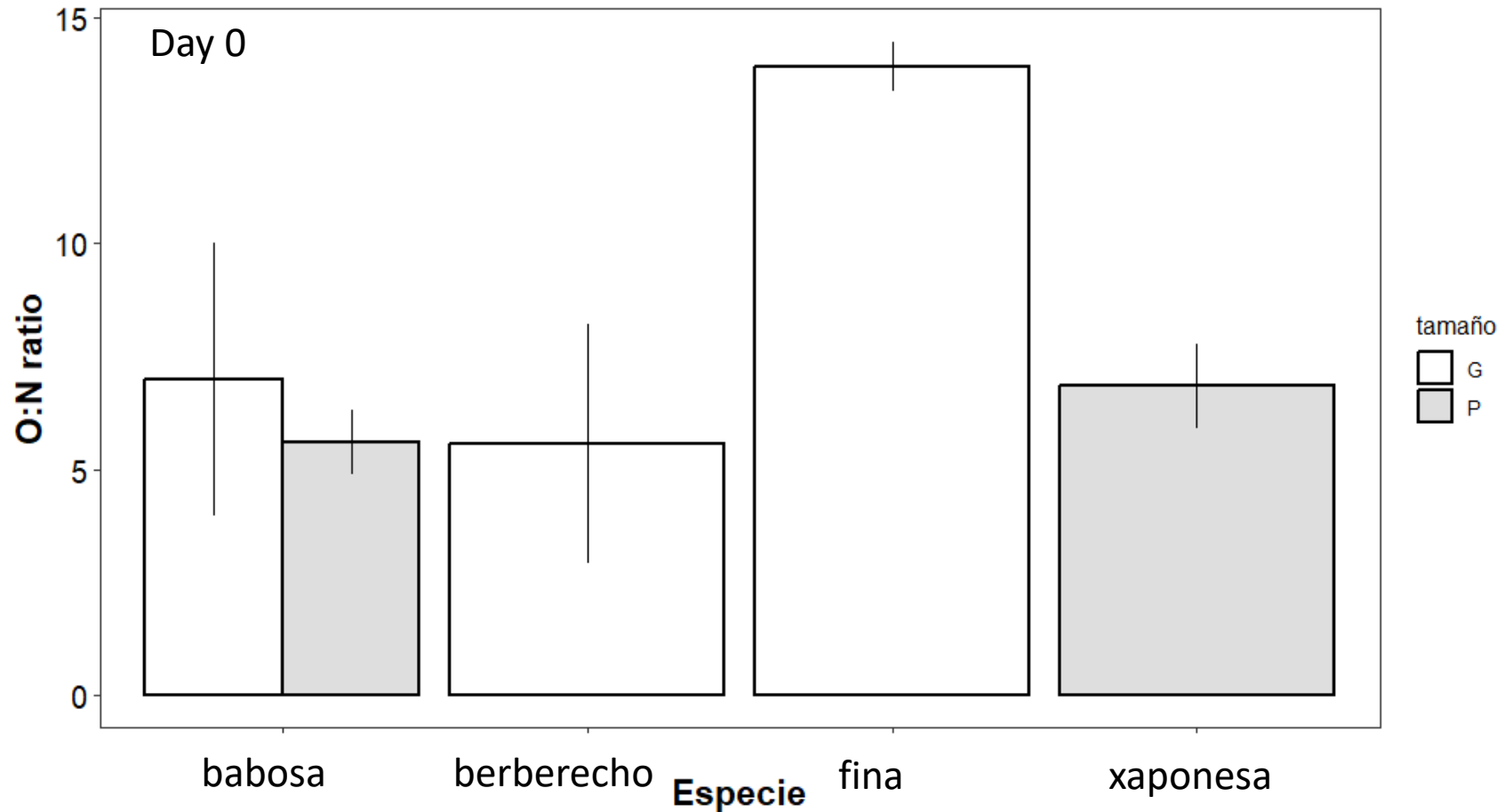
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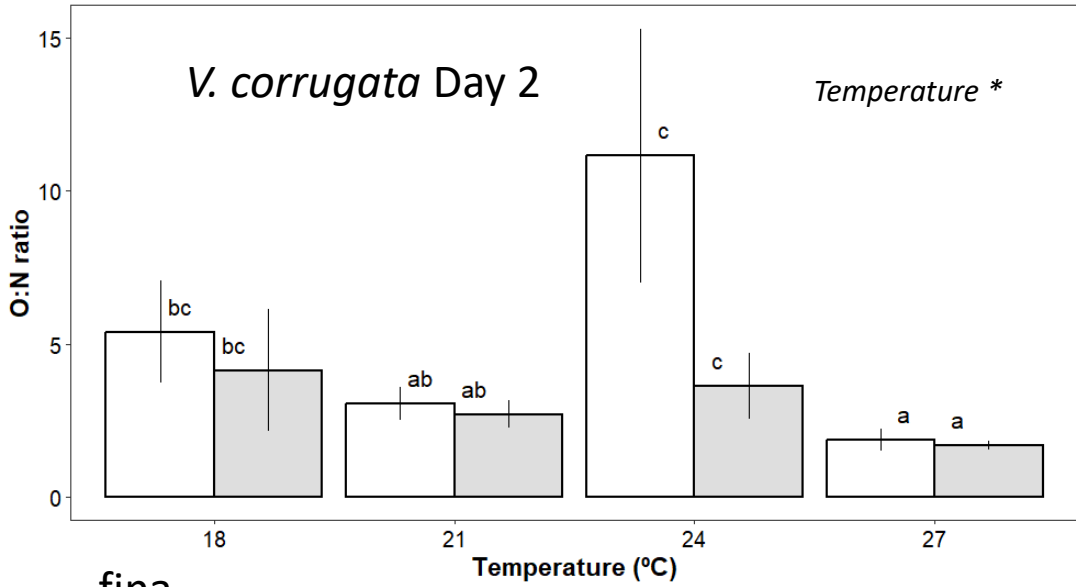
Balanced catabolism would oscillate between 50 and 60 while values below 30–20 are indicative of stress and pure protein catabolism will reach values between 3 and 13

Peteiro et al. 2018: berberechos 9-10 mm valores por debajo de 20 y muchos por debajo de 10 en la respuesta aguda que sería la equivalente a la nuestra. A salinidad 25 está sobre 10 y a salinidad 30 es algo inferior a 20.

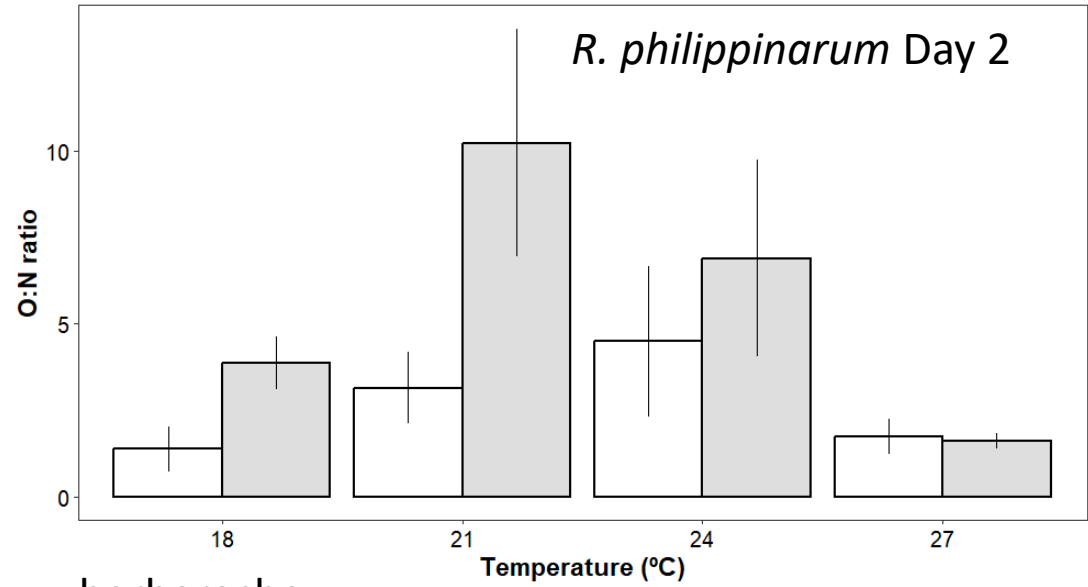


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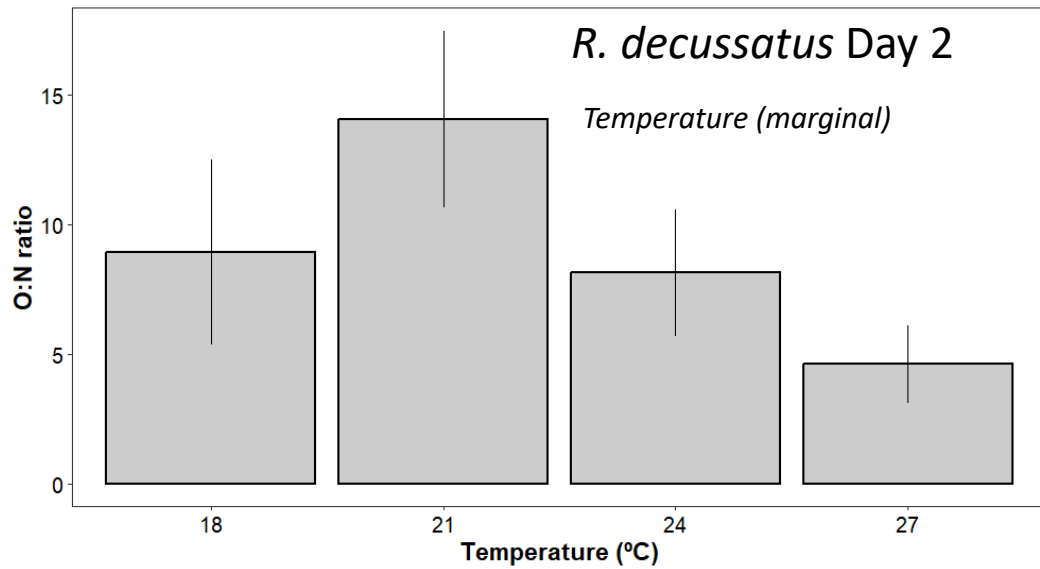
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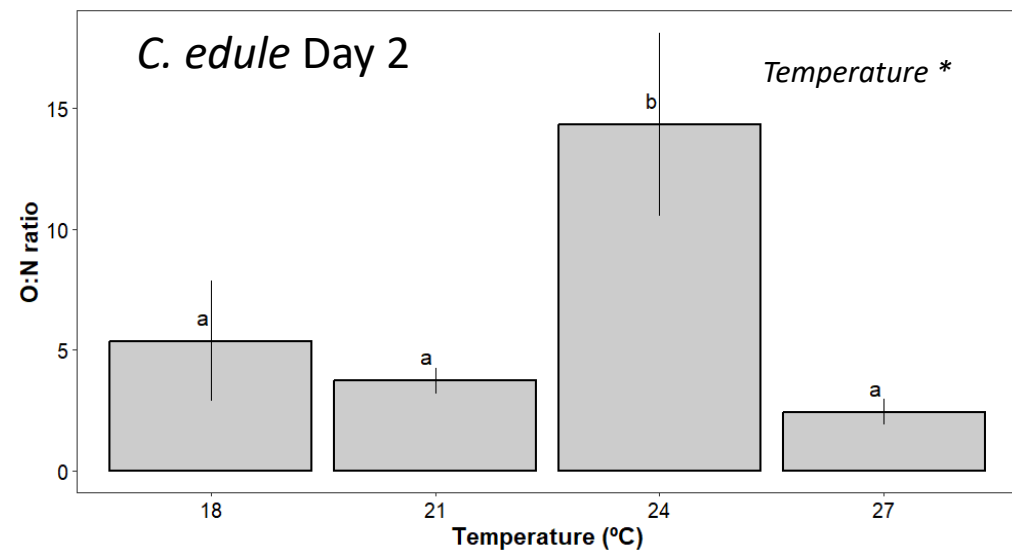
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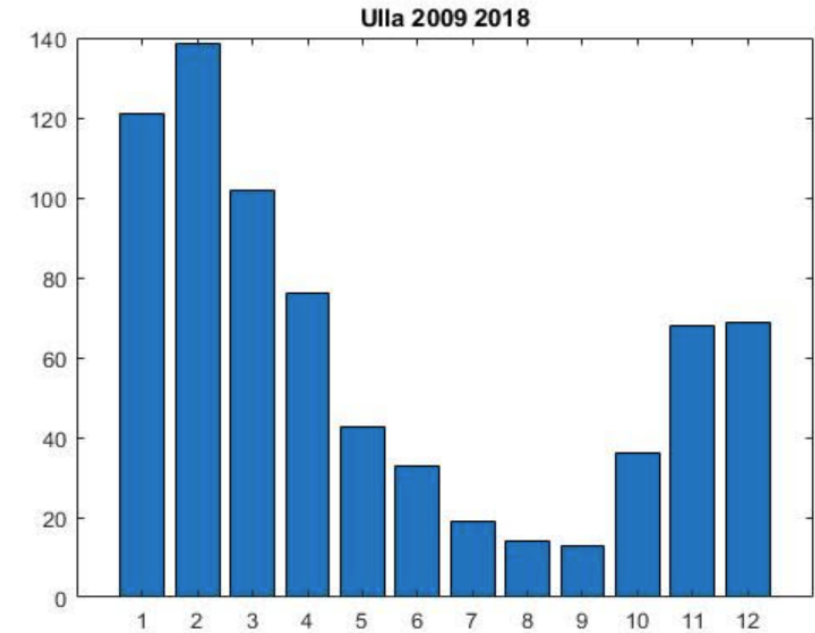
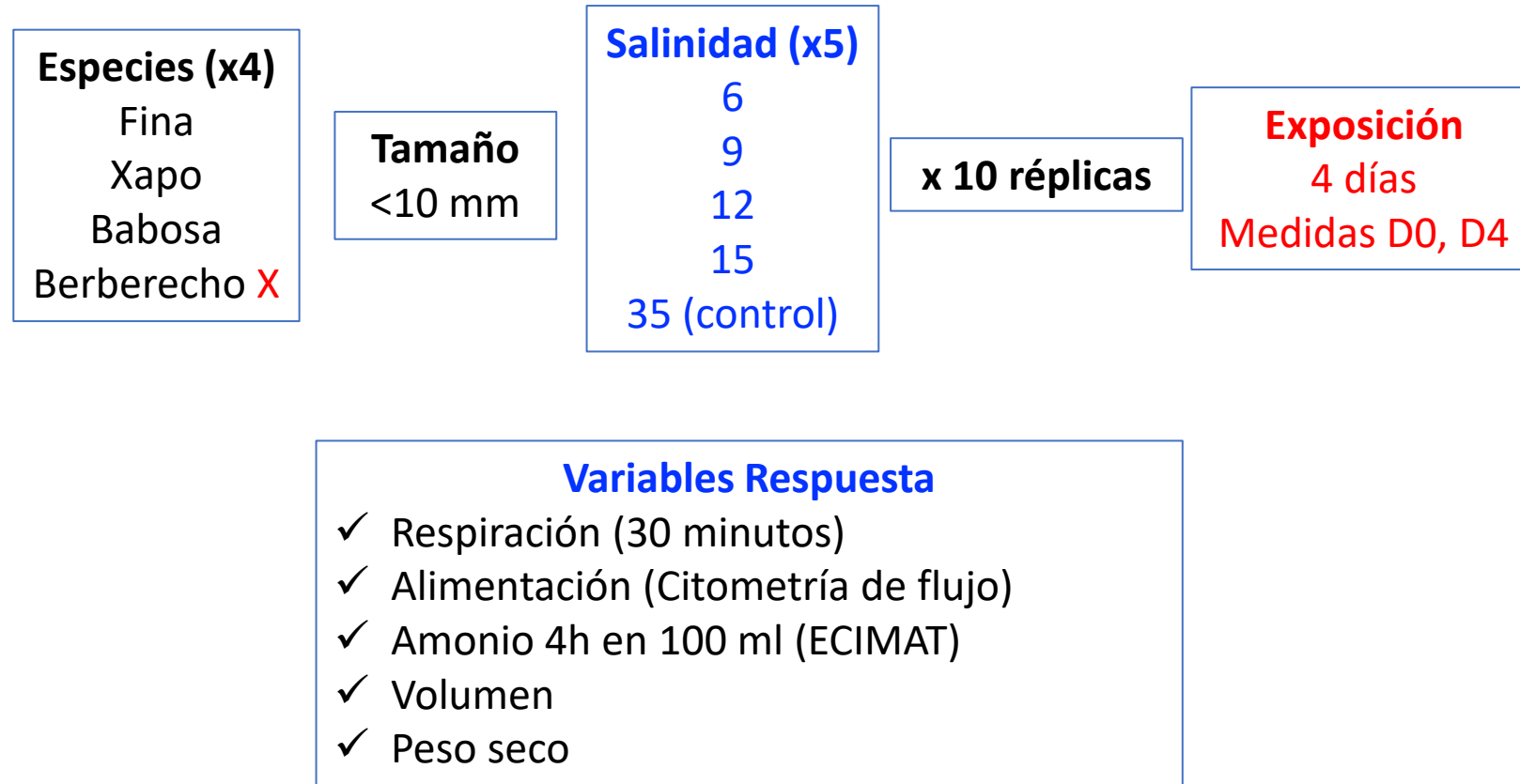
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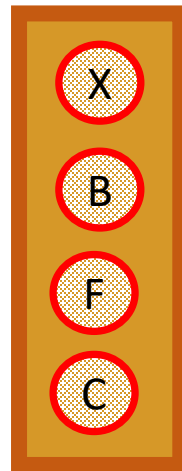
Salinity experiment

5.1. Experimentos salinidad (February 2024 & May-June 2024)

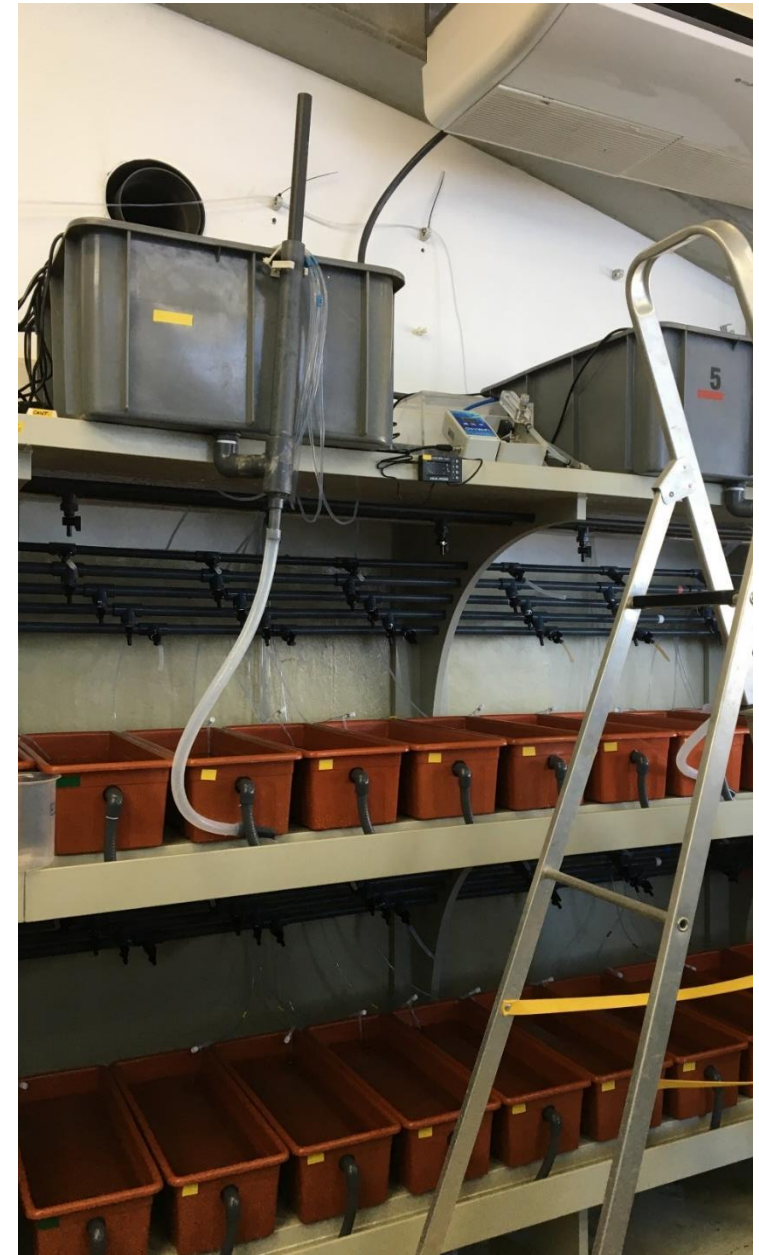
-Performance curves for recruits and juveniles: constant salinity without tides, 4 days



- Respuesta en 4 días
- Sin mareas; a temperatura ambiente
- Aireación suave para evitar evaporación
- Tanques de cabecera (uno por tratamiento) y poca renovación para que se consuma un tanque de cabecera en 24h.
- Cada 24h preparar nuevos tanques de cabecera
- 30 individuos en cada vaso
- Poner malla superior en cada vaso para evitar que salgan de los vasos



**x 10 para cada
salinidad**

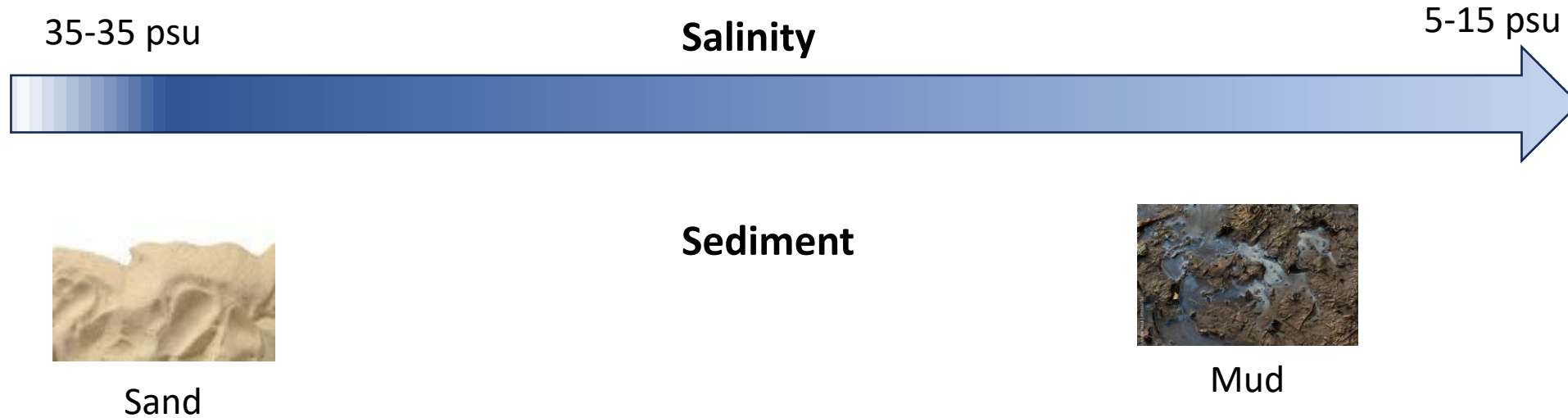


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Objective 4

Task 4.2 :

1. Effects of salinity on physiology of clams in two different sediments
2. The effects of clams on sediment differ under different salinity conditions



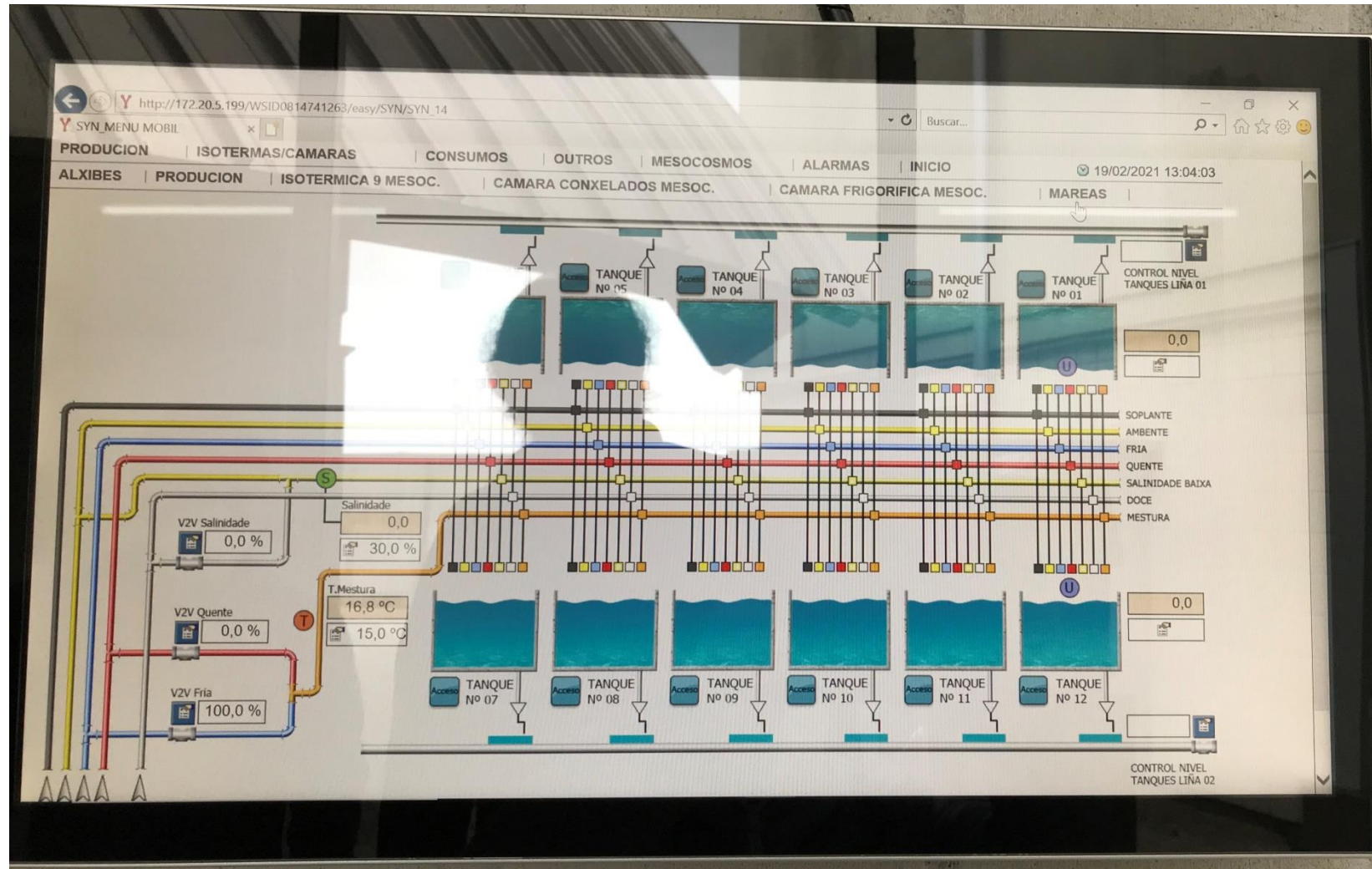
We think this species (*Venerupis corrugata*) is the most interesting to test salinity effects



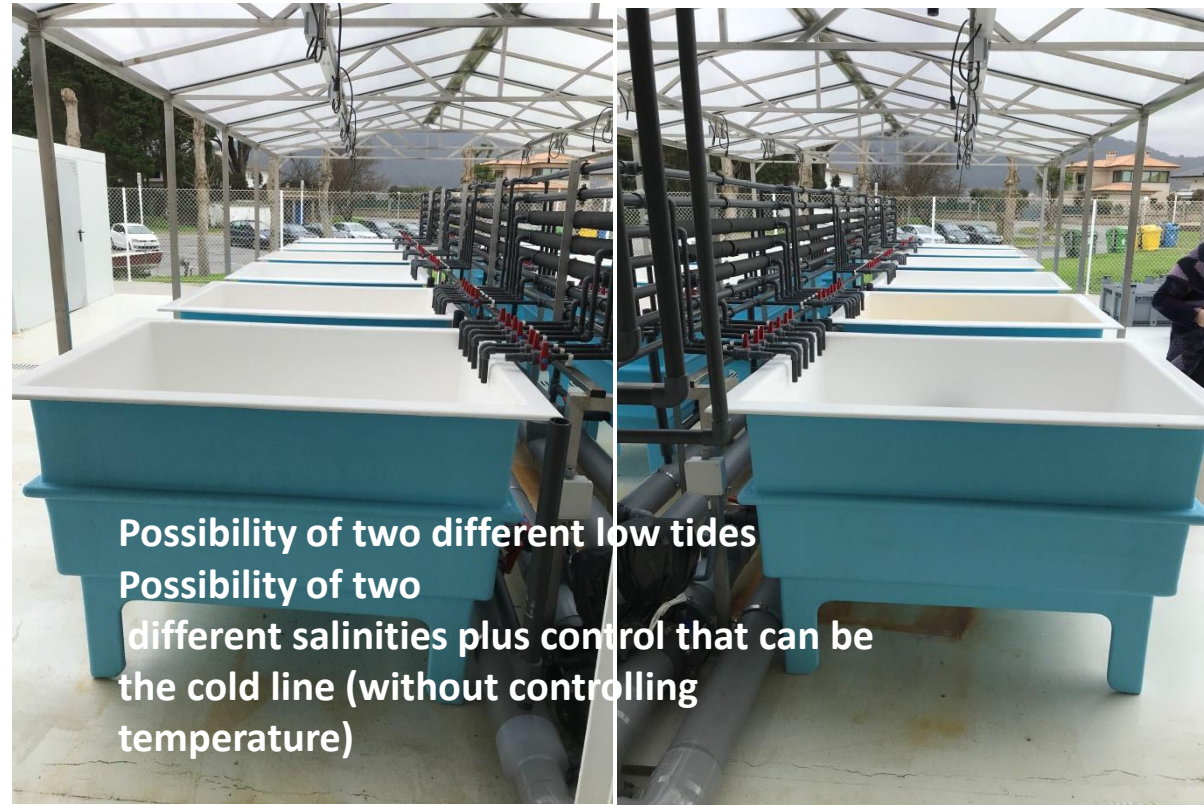
Small-sized adults 20-25 mm, depending on availability

Mesocosms

RECOBI



12 tanks in each 18 black baskets (0,25 m²)



Possibility of two different low tides
Possibility of two different salinities plus control that can be the cold line (without controlling temperature)

$4 \times 5 = 20 - 2 = 18$ black baskets



25x25x15 cm
0.0625 m²

Experimental design

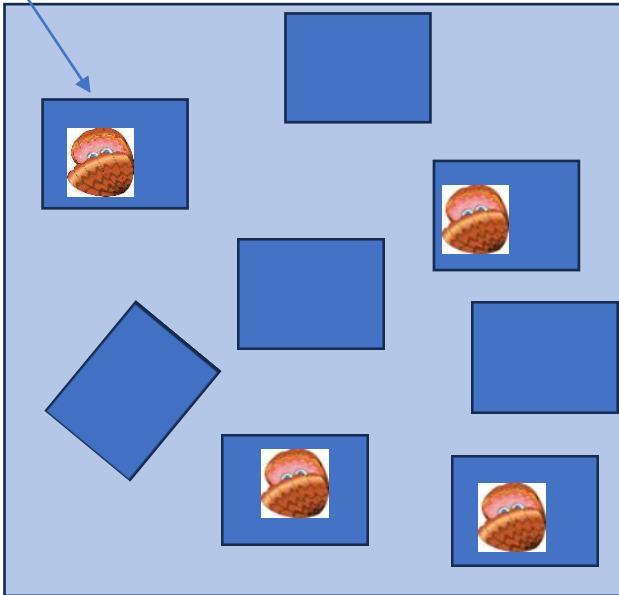
Salinity and Sediment are two orthogonal fixed factors: 35-35sand, 35-35 mud, 5-15 sand, 5-15 mud. Each combination of combination of treatments replicated in 3 random Tanks (third factor), with 4 randomly positioned replicates (basket) of each treatment with and without clams (fourth factor). Keeping sediment type separated in different experimental big tanks

25x25x15 cm
0.0625 m²



Eg: 3 Big tanks per condition Salinity-Sediment: Salinity (35-35)-Sediment (sand)

n= 4



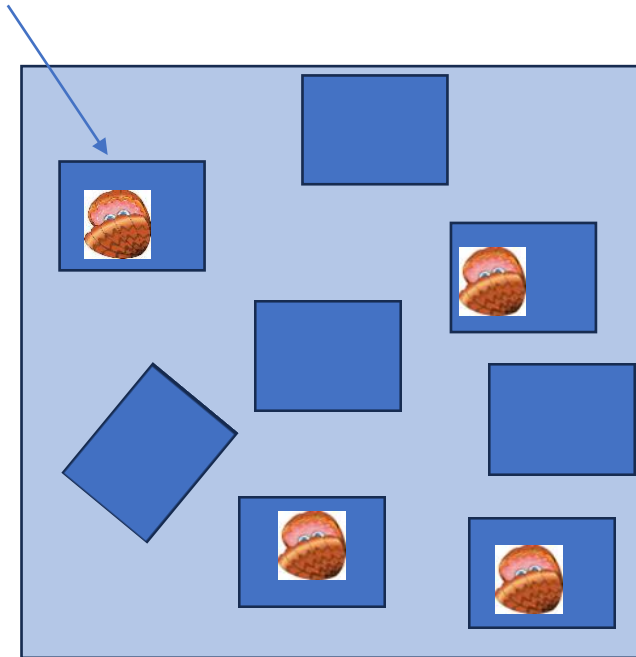
Keeping densities similar to field:
225 ind/m² (big adults): 14 individuals/basket, maybe a
Little bit more as they will not be big adults.... 18 individuals
(6 of each species)

One of the most vulnerable to salinity changes is *V. corrugata*, we think it is better to focus on one species.

Experimental design- Sediment variables (pH, OM, redox..)

To be defined by Geo team

Eg: 3 Big tanks per condition Salinity-Sediment: Salinity (35-35)-Sediment (sand)



If data of sediment are analysed by ANOVA (MO, redox, etc.)

	df	F-versus
Salinity	1	Tank (Salinity *Sediment)
Sediment	1	Tank (Salinity *Sediment)
Tank (Salinity *Sediment)	8	Residual
Clam	1	Clam x Tank (Salinity * Sediment)
Salinity x Sediment	1	Tank (Salinity *Sediment)
Salinity x Clam	1	Clam x Tank (Salinity * Sediment)
Sediment x Clam	1	Clam x Tank (Salinity * Sediment)
Clam x Tank (Salinity * Sediment)	8	Residual
Salinity *Sediment*Clam	1	Clam x Tank (Salinity * Sediment)
Residual	72	

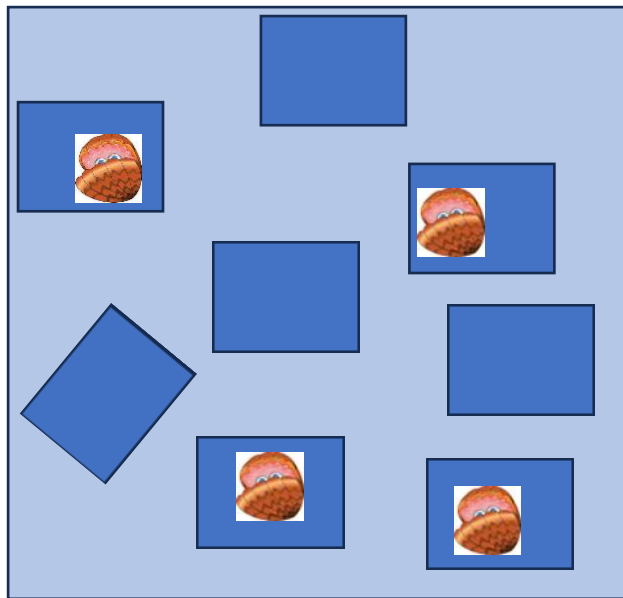
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Experimental design- Physiological variables (clams)

Eg: 3 Big tanks per condition Salinity-Sediment: Salinity (35-35)-Sediment (sand)

If data of clams are analysed by ANOVA (feeding, respiration...)

4 baskets each



	df	F-versus
Salinity	1	Tank (Salinity x Sediment)
Sediment	1	Tank (Salinity x Sediment)
Tank (Salinity x Sediment)	8	Basket(Salinity x Sediment x Tank)
Basket(Salinity x Sediment x Tank)	36	Residual
Salinity x Sediment	1	Tank (Salinity x Sediment)
Residual	144	

Animals to measure for physiological ~ 4