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# Chlorophylls Extraction from Spinach Leaves Using Aqueous Solutions of Surface-Active Ionic Liquids

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**Table S1.**  $2^2$  factorial planning.

Experiment	$\chi_1$	$\chi_2$
1	-1	-1
2	1	-1
3	-1	1
4	1	1
5	-1.41	0
6	1.41	0
7	0	-1.41
8	0	1.41
9	0	0
10	0	0
11	0	0

**Table S2.** Independent variables coded levels used in factorial planning using  $[C_{16}py]Cl$  aqueous solutions.

Independent variables	Axial point	Factorial point	Coded levels		
	-1.41	-1	Central point	1	Axial point
CPC concentration (wt. %)	2.95	5.00	10.00	15.00	17.05
Solid-liquid ratio (R)	0.003	0.005	0.010	0.015	0.017

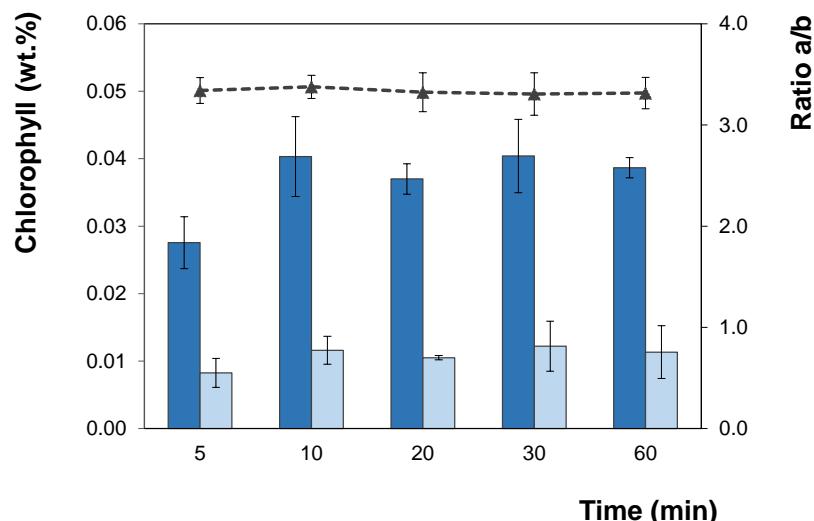
**Table S3.** Independent variables coded levels used in factorial planning using ethanol solutions.

Independent variables	Axial point	Factorial point	Coded levels		
	-1.41	-1	Central point	1	Axial point
Ethanol concentration (%)	58.85	65.00	80.00	95.00	101.15
Solid-liquid ratio (R)	0.003	0.005	0.010	0.015	0.017

**Table S4.** Surface-active ionic liquids used in this work, and their respective critical micellar concentrations (CMC) and IL concentration values (in mM) applied in chlorophyll extraction - IL screening.

Ionic liquid name	Abbreviation	CMC (mM)	[IL]* (mM)	REF.
Myristyltrimethylammonium bromide	[N <sub>1111</sub> ]Br	3.75	297	[1]
Hexadecylpyridinium chloride	[C <sub>16</sub> py]Cl	0.99	294	[2]
Cetylpyridinium bromide	[C <sub>16</sub> py]Br	0.33	260	[3]
1-methyl-3-tetradecylimidazolium chloride	[C <sub>14</sub> mim]Cl	3.90	318	[4]
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	[N <sub>16111</sub> ]Br	0.91	274	[5]
Tributyltetradecylphosphonium chloride	[P <sub>44414</sub> ]Cl,	8.10	230	[6]

\*which corresponds to a concentration of 10wt%



**Figure S1.** Yield of extracted chlorophyll *a* (■) and chlorophyll *b* (□) from spinach leaves using 10 wt.% [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl solution in water and different extraction times (*R*=0.02; T=25°C) and chlorophyll *a/b* ratio (▲).

**Table S5.** Experimental data and response surface predicted values of the factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions.

[IL] (wt. %)	R	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (wt. %)			Chlorophyll <i>b</i> (wt. %)			Chlorophyll <i>a/b</i> ratio		
		Exp.	Pred.	relative error (%)	Exp.	Pred.	relative error (%)	Exp.	Pred.	relative error (%)
1	5.0	0.005	0.062	5.7	0.019	0.018	2.1	3.32	3.19	4.1
2	15.0	0.005	0.075	-4.6	0.018	0.019	-5.3	4.18	4.04	3.2
3	5.0	0.015	0.058	6.6	0.025	0.026	-3.7	2.33	2.05	12.4
4	15.0	0.015	0.084	-3.7	0.020	0.022	-11.5	4.28	3.99	6.7
5	3.0	0.010	0.058	-8.9	0.023	0.023	-0.1	2.52	2.74	-8.5
6	17.1	0.010	0.105	4.6	0.022	0.021	8.5	4.68	4.71	-0.7

7	10.0	0.003	0.056	0.056	0.1	0.017	0.017	0.1	3.29	3.32	-0.9
8	10.0	0.017	0.059	0.060	-0.7	0.027	0.025	7.0	2.23	2.48	-11.1
9	10.0	0.010	0.064	0.064	0.1	0.021	0.022	-1.5	3.00	2.93	2.3
10	10.0	0.010	0.064	0.064	0.7	0.020	0.022	-6.9	3.18	2.93	7.8
11	10.0	0.010	0.063	0.064	-0.8	0.023	0.022	7.2	2.72	2.93	-7.9

**Nomenclature:** [IL]: IL concentration; R: solid-liquid ratio; Exp.: experimental data; Pred.: predicted values.

**Table S6.** Regression coefficients of the predicted second-order polynomial model for the chlorophyll *a*, from factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions. R-sqr=.95436; Adj.:90871.

	Regression coefficients	Standard deviation	t-student	p-value
<b>Interception</b>	0.071	0.01412	5.04383	0.003954
R	1.309	1.77788	0.73625	0.494649
R <sup>2</sup>	-115.310	75.29066	-1.53154	0.186202
C	-0.006	0.00178	-3.19629	0.024095
C <sup>2</sup>	0.000	0.00008	4.71753	0.005254
C × R	0.123	0.08910	1.38040	0.225986

**Table S7.** Regression coefficients of the predicted second-order polynomial model for the chlorophyll *b*, from factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions. R-sqr=.78277; Adj.:56555.

	Regression coefficients	Standard deviation	t-student	p-value
<b>Interception</b>	0.0119	0.00617	1.92552	0.112133
R	1.2933	0.77723	1.66395	0.157007
R <sup>2</sup>	-14.1957	32.91454	-0.43129	0.684220
C	0.0003	0.00078	0.36228	0.731949
C <sup>2</sup>	0.0000	0.00003	0.04722	0.964165
C × R	-0.0478	0.03895	-1.22618	0.274724

**Table S8.** Regression coefficients of the predicted second-order polynomial model for the chlorophyll *a/b* ratio, from factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions. R-sqr=.94078; Adj.:88156.

	Regression coefficients	Standard deviation	t-student	p-value
<b>Interception</b>	4.758	0.894	5.32284	0.003133
R	-157.089	112.594	-1.39519	0.221763
R <sup>2</sup>	-579.551	4768.170	-0.12155	0.907992
C	-0.289	0.113	-2.56558	0.050305
C <sup>2</sup>	0.016	0.005	3.42022	0.018834
C × R	10.919	5.643	1.93516	0.110756

**Table S9.** ANOVA results for the chlorophyll *a* extraction from factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions.

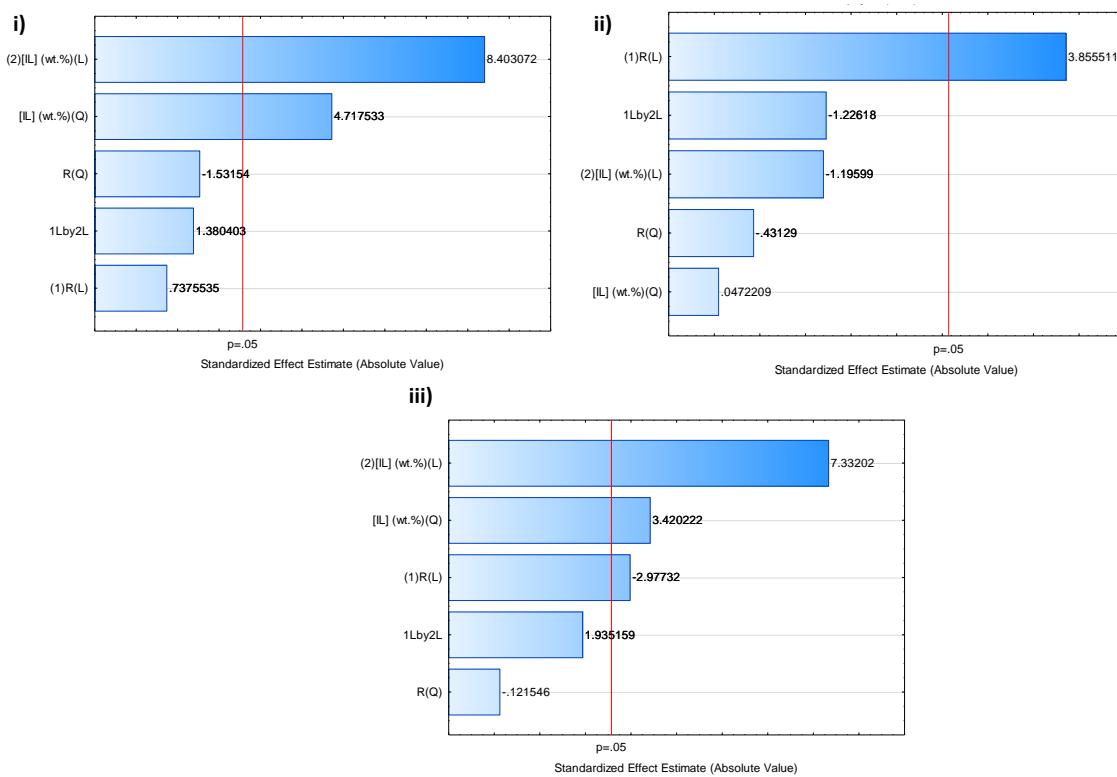
	Chlorophyll <i>a</i>			
	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F-value
Regression	0.002056	5	0.000411	17.43268
Residuals	0.000118	5	0.000024	
Total	0.002174			

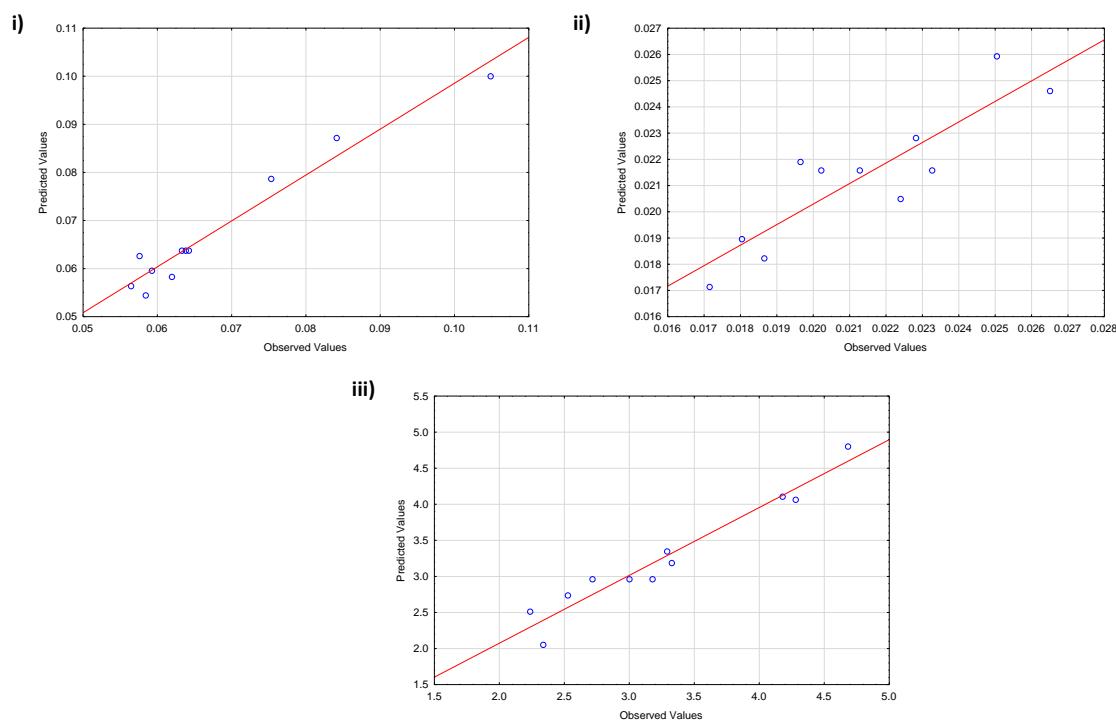
**Table S10.** ANOVA results for the chlorophyll *b* extraction from factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions.

	Chlorophyll <i>b</i>				
	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F-value	p-value
Regression	0.000072	5	0.000014	4.731408	0.046614
Residuals	0.000015	5	0.000003		
Total	0.000087				

**Table S11.** ANOVA results for the chlorophyll a/b ratio extraction from factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions.

	Chlorophyll <i>b</i>				
	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F-value	p-value
Regression	6.350867	5	1.270173	17.17165	0.003634
Residuals	0.369846	5	0.073969		
Total	6.720713				

**Figure S2.** Pareto charts for the standardized main effects in the factorial planning using [C<sub>16</sub>py]Cl aqueous solutions for (i) chlorophyll *a*, (ii) chlorophyll *b* and (iii) chlorophyll *a/b* ratio. Vertical line indicates the statistical significance of the effects.



**Figure S3.** Observed values vs Predicted values in the factorial planning  $[C_{16}py]Cl$  aqueous solutions (i) chlorophyll *a*, (ii) chlorophyll *b* and (iii) chlorophyll *a/b* ratio.

**Table S12.** Experimental data and response surface predicted values of the factorial planning using ethanol aqueous solutions.

[Ethanol] (wt. %)	R	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (wt. %)			Chlorophyll <i>b</i> (wt. %)			Chlorophyll <i>a/b</i> ratio			
		Exp.	Pred.	relative error (%)	Exp.	Pred.	relative error (%)	Exp.	Pred.	relative error (%)	
1	65.0	0.005	0.047	6.36	0.037	0.040	-6.62	1.25	1.02	18.32	
2	95.0	0.005	0.099	6.58	0.028	0.031	-10.62	3.52	3.19	9.43	
3	65.0	0.015	0.048	0.053	-12.23	0.032	0.032	1.86	1.48	1.67	-12.67
4	95.0	0.015	0.099	0.101	-2.34	0.027	0.027	0.33	3.72	3.80	-2.30
5	58.9	0.010	0.036	0.034	5.77	0.034	0.033	2.60	1.07	1.07	-0.39
6	100.0	0.010	0.099	0.102	-3.10	0.025	0.024	6.71	3.92	4.08	-4.02
7	80.0	0.003	0.065	0.071	-10.25	0.044	0.040	7.76	1.47	1.85	-25.22
8	80.0	0.017	0.090	0.084	6.58	0.031	0.032	-3.19	2.95	2.73	7.61
9	80.0	0.010	0.081	0.088	-8.84	0.025	0.028	-8.18	3.18	3.21	-0.84
10	80.0	0.010	0.092	0.088	3.52	0.028	0.028	0.12	3.32	3.21	3.18
11	80.0	0.010	0.093	0.088	4.63	0.029	0.028	6.14	3.15	3.21	-1.84

**Nomenclature:** [IL]: IL concentration; R: solid-liquid ratio; Exp.: Experimental data; Pred.: predicted values.

**Table S13.** Regression coefficients of the predicted second-order polynomial model for the chlorophyll *a*, from factorial planning using ethanol solutions. R-sqr=.96244; Adj.:92487.

	Regression coefficients	Standard deviation	t-student	p-value
<b>Interception</b>	-0.366	0.1000	-3.66058	0.014586
R	5.394	4.6169	1.16832	0.295349
$R^2$	-215.204	123.3467	-1.74471	0.141484

C	0.009	0.0023	3.87156	0.011742
$C^2$	0.000	0.0000	-3.23975	0.022956
C x R	-0.002	0.0484	-0.03839	0.970866

**Table S14.** Regression coefficients of the predicted second-order polynomial model for the chlorophyll *b*, from factorial planning using ethanol solutions. R-sqr=.92847; Adj:.85693.

	Regression coefficients	Standard deviation	t-student	p-value
<b>Interception</b>	0.0884	0.03852	2.29546	0.070169
R	-5.0694	1.77789	-2.85136	0.035767
$R^2$	172.1788	47.49857	3.62493	0.015141
C	-0.0006	0.00089	-0.64969	0.544554
$C^2$	0.0000	0.00001	0.25842	0.806382
C x R	0.0124	0.01862	0.66781	0.533836

**Table S15.** Regression coefficients of the predicted second-order polynomial model for the chlorophyll *a/b* ratio, from factorial planning using ethanol solutions. R-sqr=.98187; Adj:.96374.

	Regression coefficients	Standard deviation	t-student	p-value
<b>Interception</b>	-14.2	4.063	-3.48989	0.017472
R	449.4	187.524	2.39633	0.061901
$R^2$	-18901.7	5009.951	-3.77283	0.012985
C	0.3	0.094	3.17896	0.024567
$C^2$	0.0	0.001	-2.45765	0.057394
C x R	-0.1	1.964	-0.05355	0.959371

**Table S16.** ANOVA results for the chlorophyll *a* extraction from factorial planning using ethanol solutions.

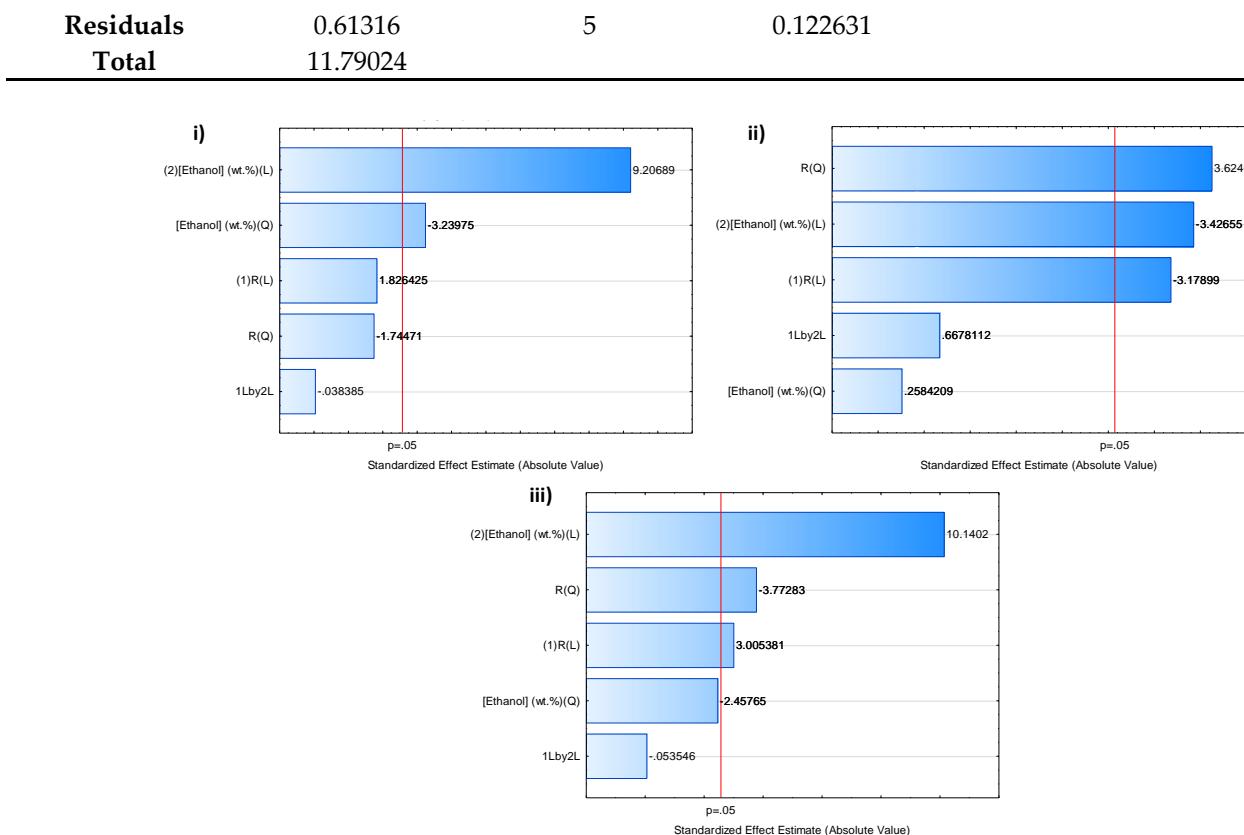
Chlorophyll <i>a</i>					
	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F-value	p-value
<b>Regression</b>	0.005894	5	0.001179	15.05493	0.004913
<b>Residuals</b>	0.000392	5	0.000078		
<b>Total</b>	0.006286				

**Table S17.** ANOVA results for the chlorophyll *b* extraction from factorial planning using ethanol solutions.

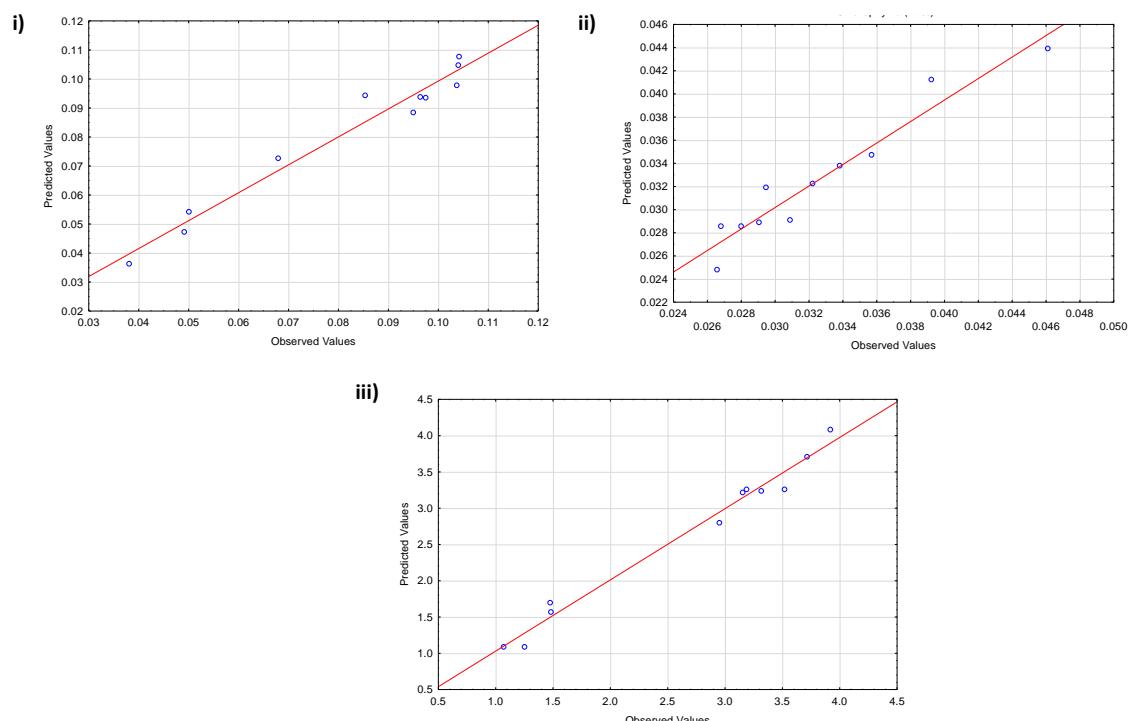
Chlorophyll <i>b</i>					
	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F-value	p-value
<b>Regression</b>	0.000319	5	0.000064	9.005930	0.015353
<b>Residuals</b>	0.000035	5	0.000007		
<b>Total</b>	0.000354				

**Table S18.** ANOVA results for the chlorophyll *a/b* ratio extraction from factorial planning using ethanol solutions.

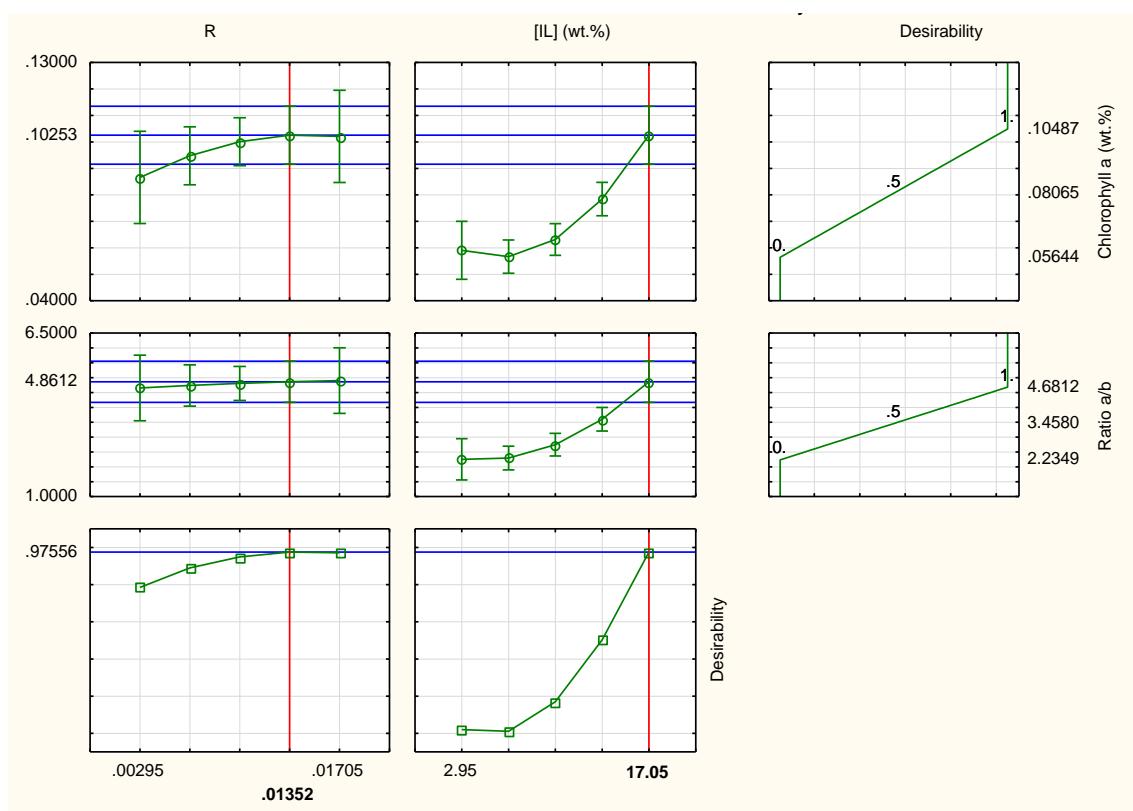
Chlorophyll <i>a/b</i>					
	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F-value	p-value
<b>Regression</b>	11.17708	5	2.235416	18.22878	0.003166



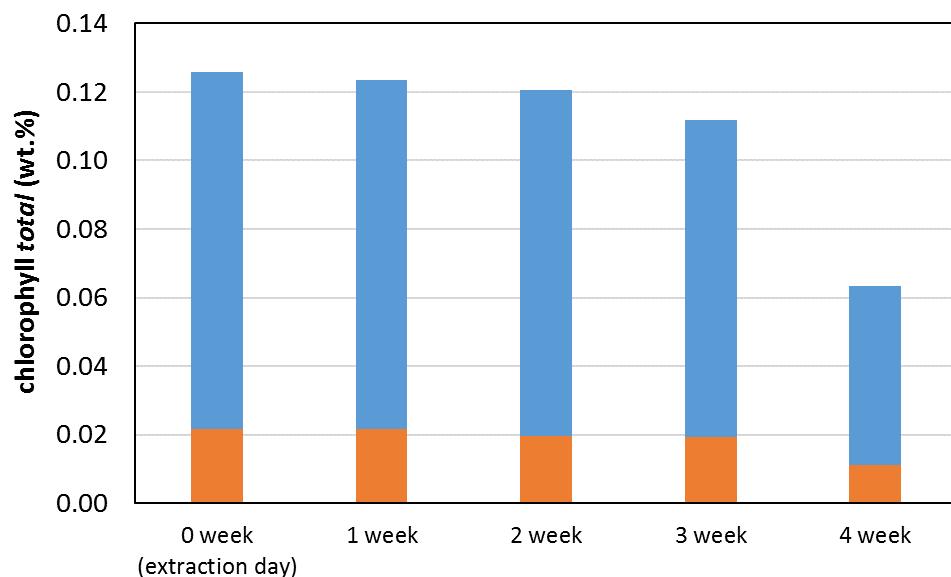
**Figure S4.** Pareto charts for the standardized main effects in the factorial planning using ethanol solutions for (i) chlorophyll *a*, (ii) chlorophyll *b* and (iii) chlorophyll *a/b* ratio. Vertical line indicates the statistical significance of the effects.



**Figure S5.** Observed values vs Predicted values in the factorial planning ethanol solutions (i) chlorophyll *a*, (ii) chlorophyll *b* and (iii) chlorophyll *a/b* ratio.



**Figure S6.** Profile of prediction of the optimal operating conditions to obtain the maximum yield of chlorophyll *a* and the chlorophylls *a/b* ratio.



**Figure S7.** Profile of chlorophyll *a* (■) and *b* (□) content in the extract during the storage time, at 4°C and protect of the light.

**Table S19.** Profile of chlorophyll *a* and *b* content in the extract during the storage time, at 4°C and protect of the light.

Storage time	Chlorophyll <i>a</i> (wt. %)		Chlorophyll <i>b</i> (wt. %)	
0 week (extraction day)	0.104	±	0.009	0.022
1 week	0.102	±	0.010	0.022

2 week	0.101	±	0.011	0.020	±	0.007
3 week	0.093	±	0.010	0.019	±	0.007
4 week	0.053	±	0.010	0.011	±	0.008

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