



Living Colour

Anthraquinones

Reds, oranges, goldens

Living Colour - August 1-17, 2023 UPDATED 2023-07-31

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WEEK 32	Aug 7 Mon	*	-	*9.30-12.30 Excursion to recycling centre 12.30-16.30 Excursion to a supermarket, restaurant & nature	<i>Finding pre-loved textile materials from re-cycling centre. Recognizing and sustainably collecting plants from nature and/or side-stream dye materials from super-markets / restaurants.</i>
	Aug 8 Tue	9.30-11.30	12-16.30	Anthochlors, flavones, flavonols, Yellows, golden colours	<i>Dyeing yellow. Medicinal dye plants. Preparing dye extracts, printing paste, watercolours, inks and pigments. Mordanting more material (e.g. pre-loved) if needed. Local dye plants.</i>
	Aug 9 Wed	9.30-11.30	12-16.30	Anthocyanins, ecoprinting Samples to lightfastness test.	<i>Ecoprinting i.e. botanical contact printing with fresh and dried plants, flowers, and mushrooms. Dyes from food side-streams.</i>
	Aug 10 Thu	9.30-11.30	12-16.30	Combinations, experimental techniques	<i>Oxidation, photo-oxidation, water-solubility. Combining different types dyes, experimental techniques. Monochromatic cyanoprinting. Printing, painting, dyeing pre-loved materials</i>
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Agenda today

- Dyeing reds and oranges.
- Low energy method.
- Cooking method.
- Effects of temperature, time, pH during extraction and dyeing.



Critical design perspectives:

Exact, repeatable recipes vs. collaborating with the plant/fungi/lichen.

Anthraquinones



Natural dye

Source

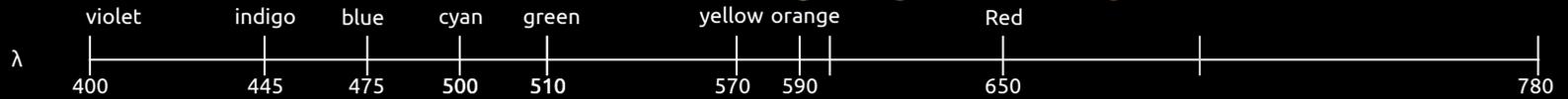


Chemical structure

Anthraquinones

Colour

Wavelength λ



Anthraquinones



Fungus



***Cortinarius* ssp**

C. Sanguineus

Dermocybin, emodin



C. Semisanguineus

Cap



- Warm red, orange
- Cool = max 65°C temperature
- alkaline dye solution

Stem

- yellow, orange



Plant

Rhubia tinctoria

Alizarin

- Warm red, orange
- Cool = max 65°C temperature
- alkaline dye solution



***Rhamnus* berries,**

unripe

emodin

- yellow



***Rhamnus* bark**

- yellow, pH <7
- red-brown, pH >8



Invertebrate

Cochineal

Carminic acid

- Magenta, carmine
- hot = 90°C temperature
- acidic dye solution



- iron post-mordant
-> purplish



Lac(ca), Kermes

Cochineal

- dye temperature 90°C
- Start from 40°C to avoid felting wools

Madder *Rubia tinctoria*

- dye temperature <70°C -> 65°C
- Start from 40°C to avoid felting wools

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Agenda for excursion day

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- Recognizing and sustainably collecting plants from nature and/or side-stream dye materials from super-markets / restaurants.

9.30-11.30 Nihtisillan Kierrätyskeskus, Kutojantie 3, Espoo

12.00: Visiting a supermarket

13.00-15.00: Getting to know and collecting plants around Aalto campus

If you visit Turku:





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Next: Lunch break

Dye lab: 12.00