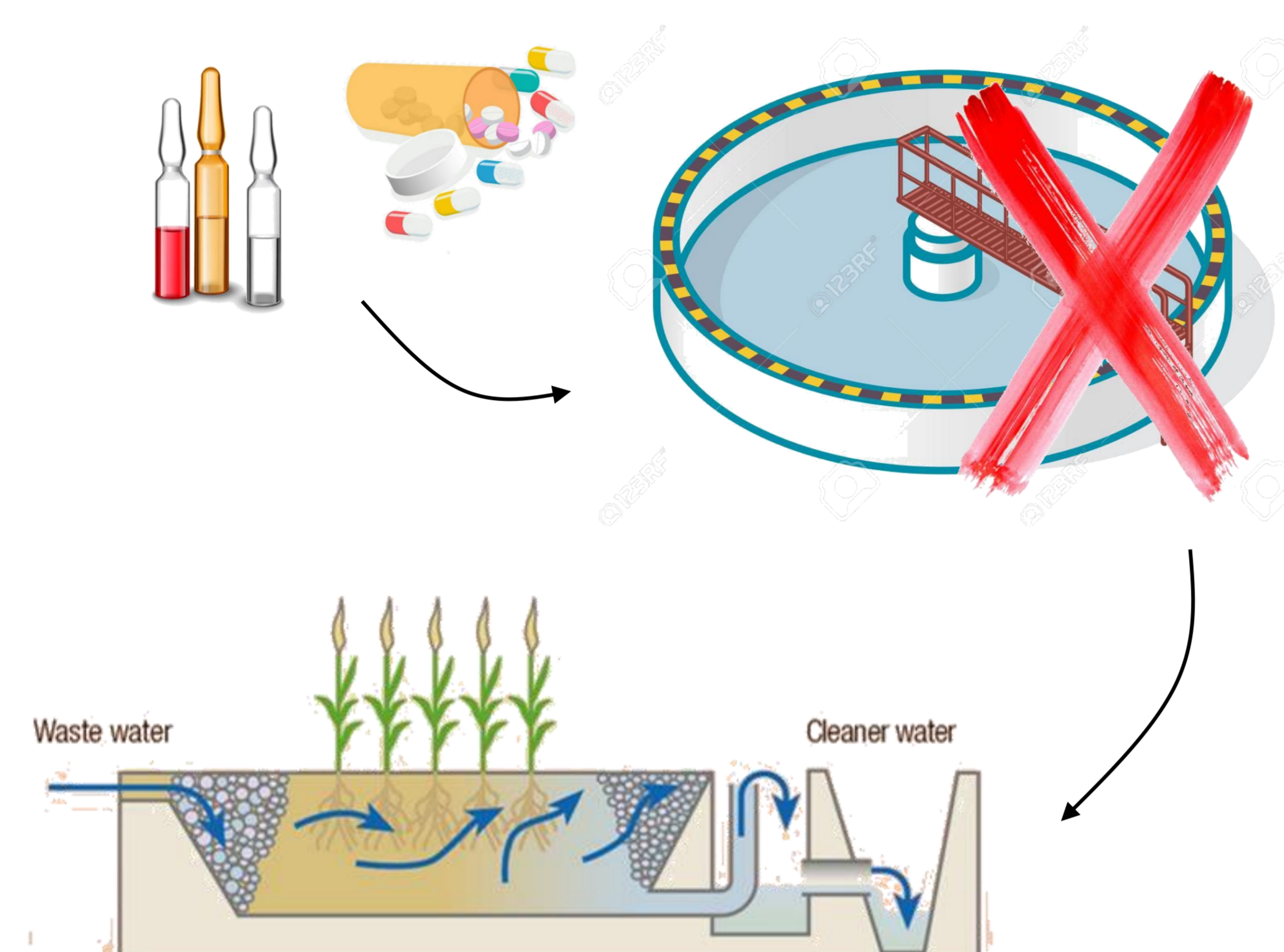


CAPACITY OF ERYTHROMYCIN PHYTOREMEDIATION BY DIFFERENTIAL
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INTRODUCTION

Despite technological advances, wastewater treatment systems are still inefficient in the complete removal of antibiotic residues.

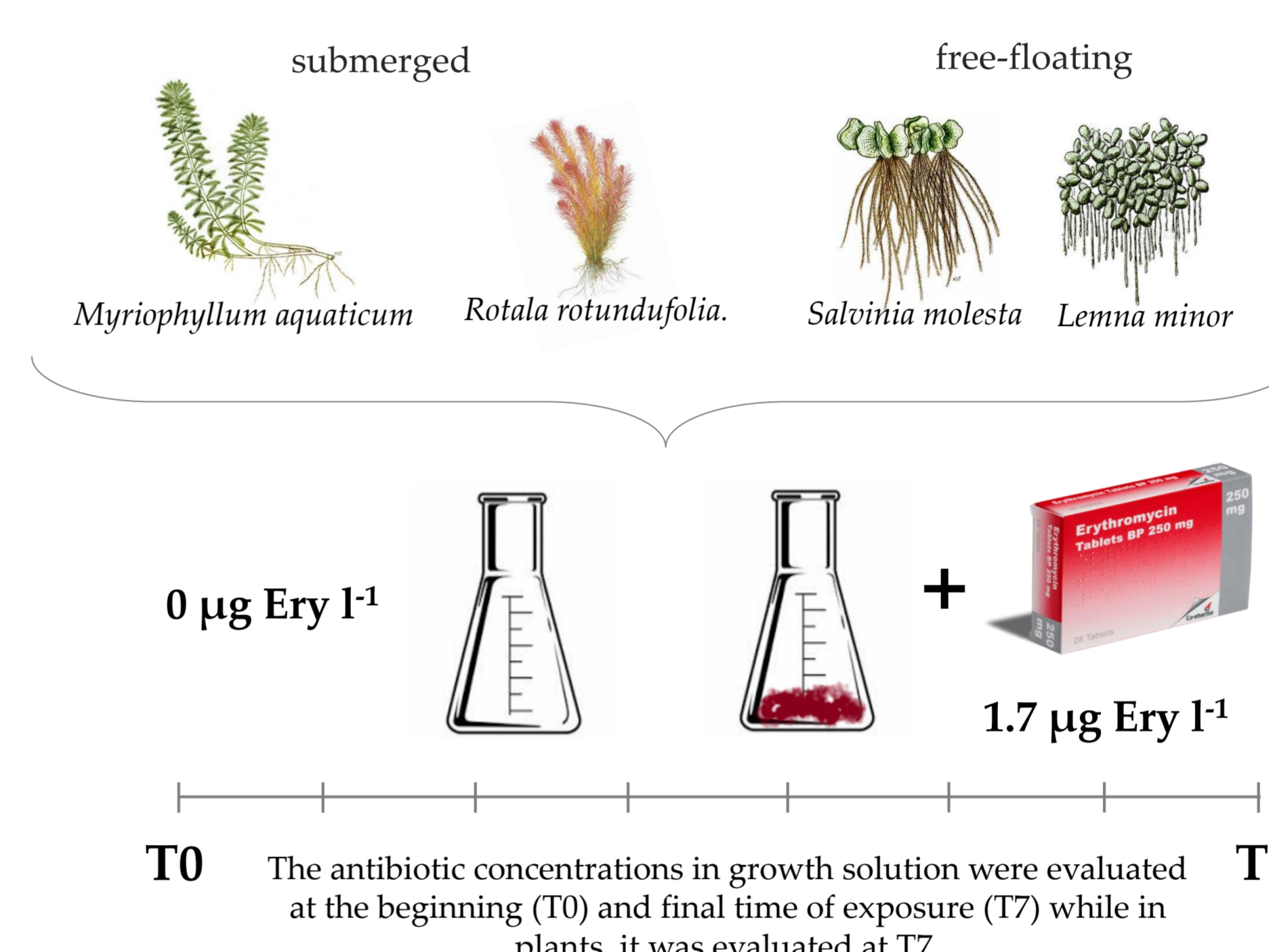


As a sustainable alternative, phytoremediation uses the ability of aquatic plants to purify water, which, among other factors, depends on the intrinsic characteristics of each species.

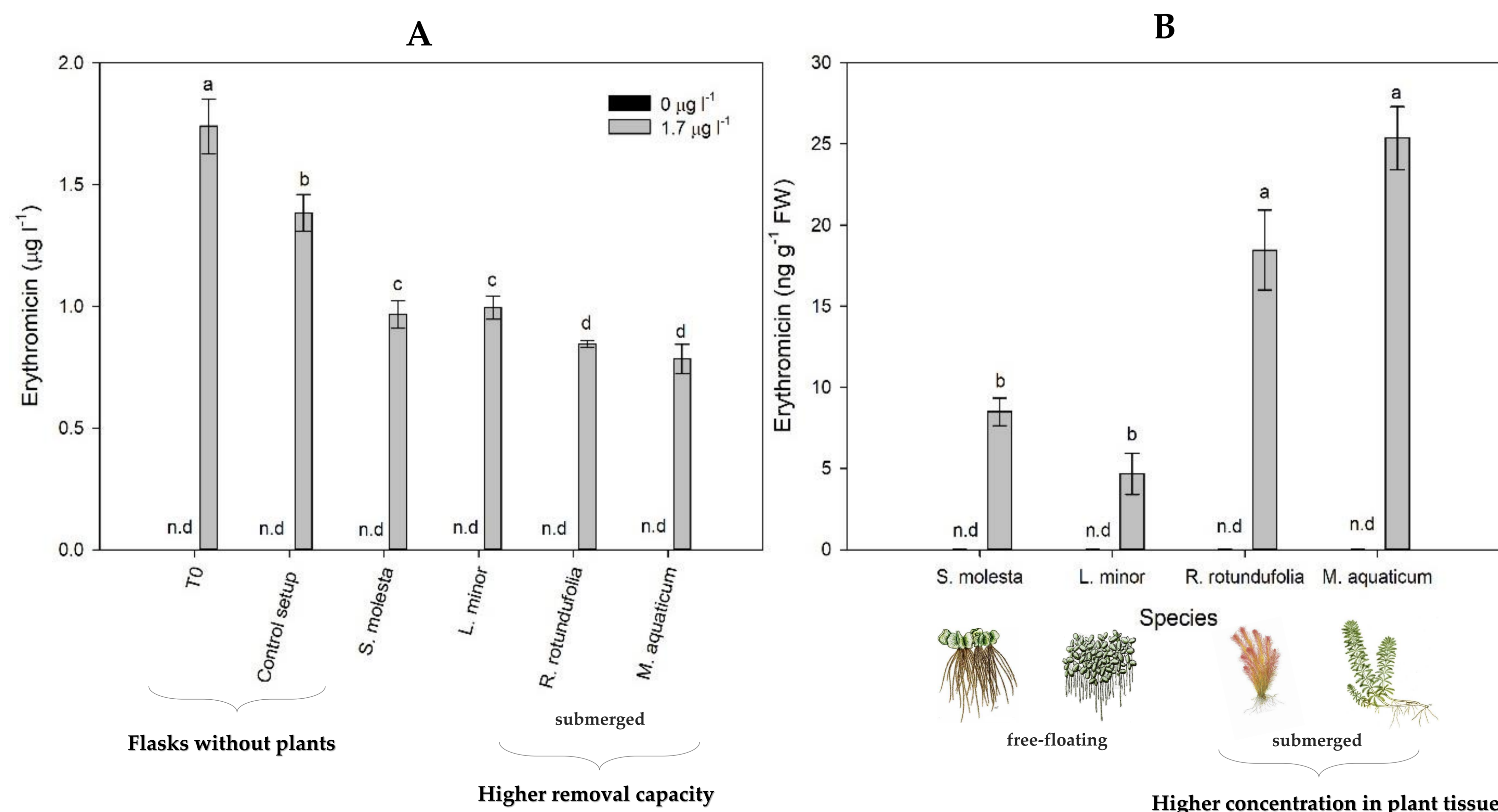
OBJECTIVE

We investigated the capacity for erythromycin (Ery) removal between different free-floating (*Salvinia molesta* and *Lemna minor*) and submerged macrophyte species (*Myriophyllum aquaticum* and *Rotala rotundifolia*).

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Plants were submitted for 7 days to the antibiotic (0 and 1.7 $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$) in growth media.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Concentration of erythromycin in the growth solution (A) and plants (B) in aquatic macrophytes exposed to 0 and 1.7 $\mu\text{g l}^{-1}$ erythromycin l^{-1} for seven days.Bars represent the mean \pm SD of four repetitions. Means followed by the same letter did not differ by the Student t test ($P > 0.05$). n.d. - not detected; T0 - concentration in the initial time; control setup - flasks without plants.

CONCLUSIONS

Although the four species of macrophytes studied are capable of removing erythromycin from the solution, the submerged species have greater potential for remediation and should, when possible, be assigned in phytoremediation projects.

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