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# Chemistry of Dyeing

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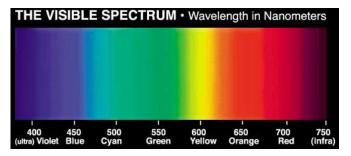
Dyeing with various Cortinarius species at pH 3.5, 7, 10 Pre-mordanted in 60 min with tin (SnCl<sub>2</sub>)

- 1-3 C.sanguineus 1.bath 10-12 C.cinnamomeus
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- 7-9 C.semisangiuneus



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- The colour of a dye depends mainly on its molecular structure and to some extent on how it is attached to the fabric.

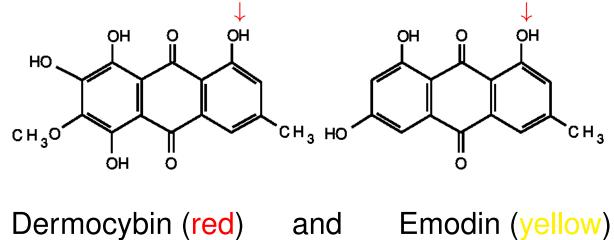


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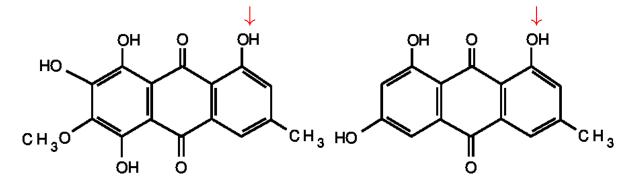


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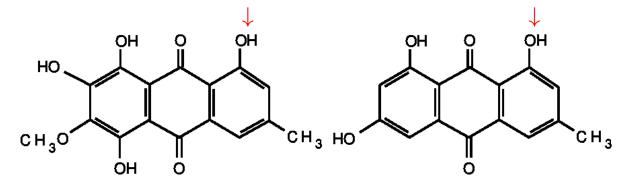


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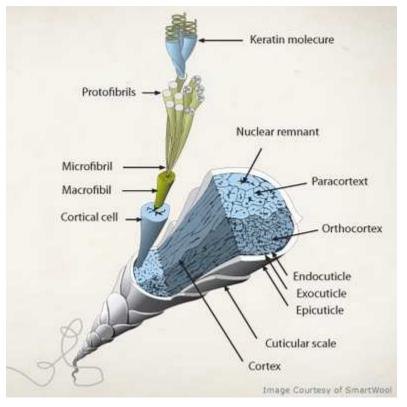


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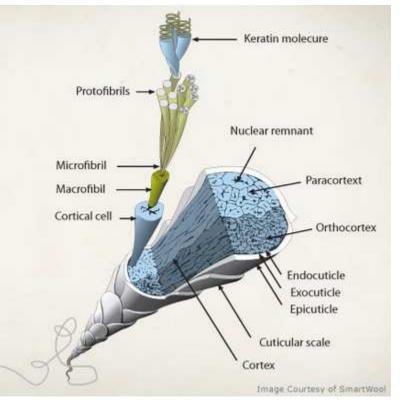


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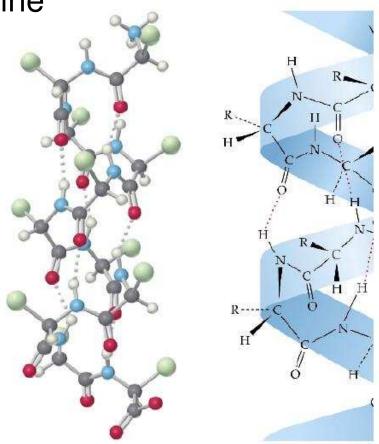
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 The dye has to penetrate the fibre to the central α-helices of the protein molecules to be fixed.



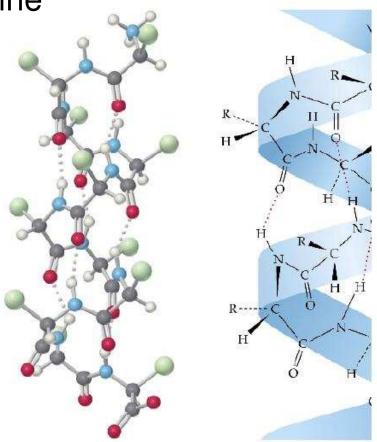
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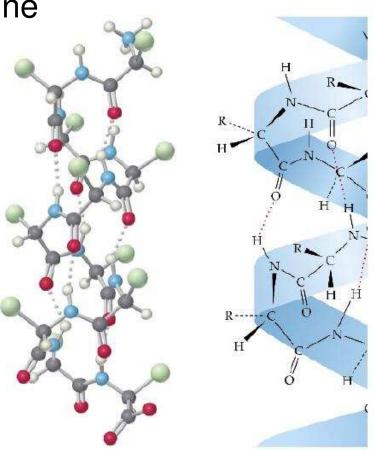
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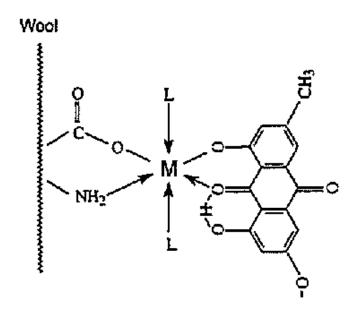
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- The natural pH of pure wool in water is 4.5. The structure of the wool is slowly destroyed when pH>8



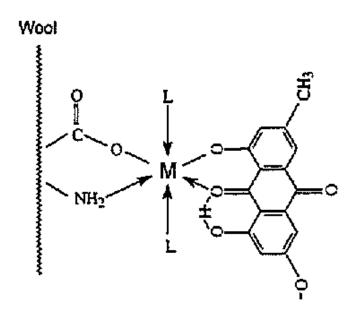


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#### Variations in colors from a single species



Variations in color by dyeing with C.semisanguineus using different pH, different mordants and white/gray wool



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- Different dyes can be separated by Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC)

Dyeing of wool with two closely related species

#### C.sanguineus from conifer

## C.puniceus from beech

1. dyebath

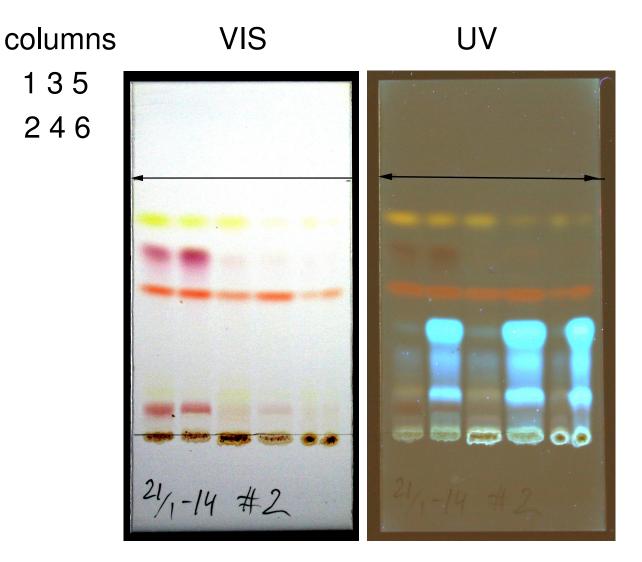
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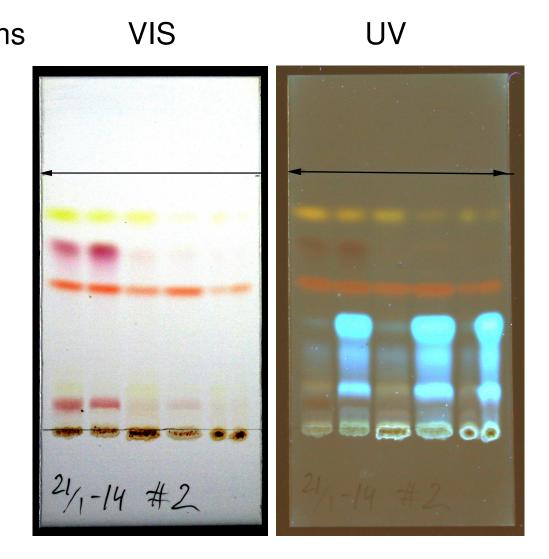
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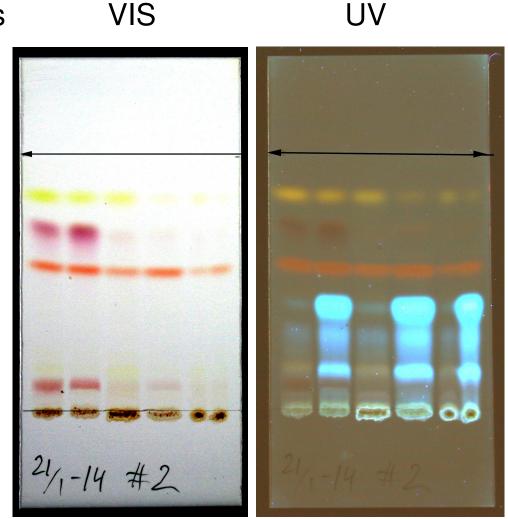
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- TLC using Toluene
  Ethylacetate
  Ethanole, and Formic acid
  volume ratios 10:8:1:2





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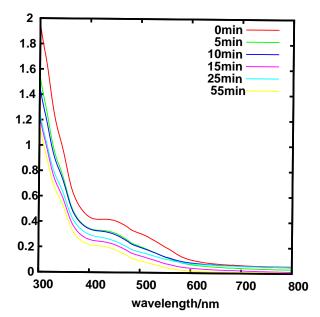


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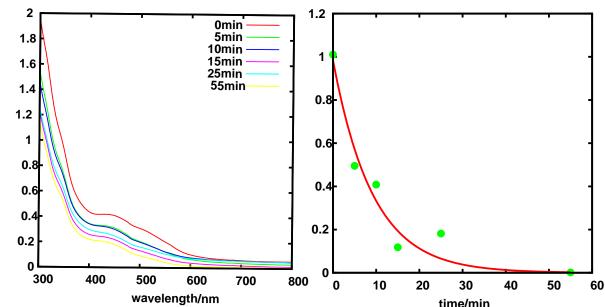


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## Variations in duration of mordanting



Dyeing with Cortinarius semisanguineus at 90°C Left group: Time in mordant bath 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 min Time in dyeing bath 60 min. Right group: Time in mordant bath 60 min Time in dyeing bath 15, 30, 45, 60 min.



# Samples of wool mordanted and dyed at different pH and temperatures



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## **Details of explanation sheet** Semi-7

#### Semi-7

Samples of 10g wool mordanted at 90°C and dyed with Cortinarius semisanguineus caps at pH 7. weight of caps/weight of wool = 0.8. % = % o.w.f. Tin is stannous chloride.

Sample id:	Mordanting 90°C-100°C	Dyeing 90°C-100°C	Colour
Al+Ci	Alum 10% Citric acid 10%	pH⊨7	dark bright red
Al+Vin	Alum 10% Cream of tartar 10%	pH⊨7	darker bright red
Al	Alum 10%	pH⊨7	dark bright red
Tn+Ci	Tin 2% Citric acid 10%	рН=7	bright red
Tn+Vin	Tin 2% Cream of tartar 10%	рН=7	bright red
Tn	Tin 2%	рН=7	weak red

Conclusion: Mordanting using citric acid or cream of tartar give similar results for AI and Tin, but the colours using Tin gives a less dark red. Mordanting with Tin without lowering pH by adding citric acid or cream of tartar gives a much weaker red. Note that using alum and cream of tartar gives a slightly darker colour than using alum and citric acid. Compare colours with **SemI-3** and **SemI-9**.



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- Avoid washing final product in alkaline soap, use detergents based on SDS.