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| Parameter | Concentration (mg/l) |
| 0 | 750 | 1200 | 1500 |
| u*r* (mm/d) | 0.989a(0.012) | 0.126c0.015) | 0.123c(0.001) | 0.166b(0.002) |
| Biomasa (mg/cm2) | 0.020b(0.016) | 0.018b(0.003) | 0.021b(0.001) | 0.037a(0.006) |
| Proteína (mg/g) | 64.457a(20.187) | 14.123d(3.296) | 48.494b(8.060) | 25.784c(9.290) |
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