

# Urban and livestock wastes in the tropics: characterization and modeling of their transformations in soil to better choose their potential utilization

*La Réunion Island*

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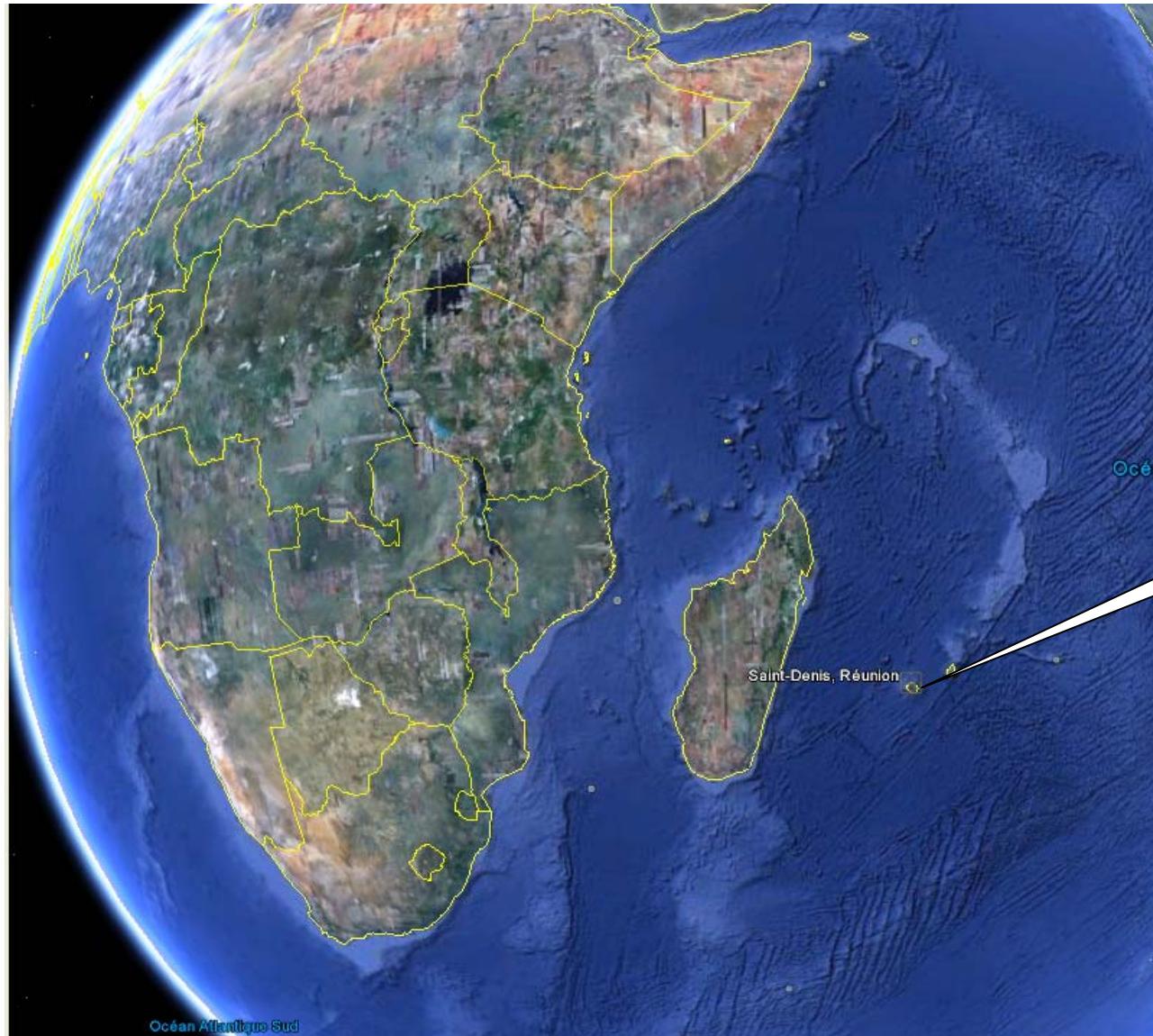
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LA RECHERCHE AGRONOMIQUE  
POUR LE DÉVELOPPEMENT

# La Réunion?



Here!

# La Réunion: lagoon, volcano..

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FAO 2010 Dakar; Urban and peri-urban horticulture in the century of cities: Lessons, challenges, opportunities

## OK, but also...



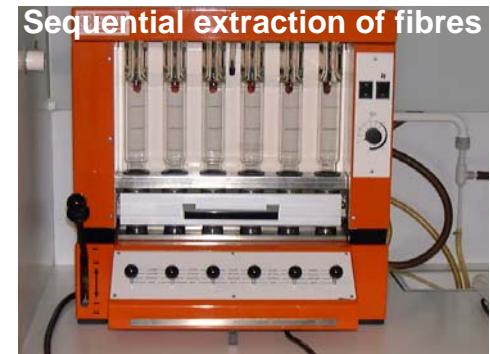
# The situation (1/2)

- Increasing production of organic « wastes »
- Various organic materials (OM) from different origins
  - traditional (agri-food industry)
  - new or emerging (urban)
- Uses?
  - Soil inputs
    - Product status: organic amendments & fertilizers
    - Waste status: with legal constraints
    - Where?
      - (trad) needs for market gardening (high), pastures
      - (new) needs for sugar cane (increasing price for inorganic fertilizers)
  - Other
    - Landfills
    - Energy



## The situation (2/2)

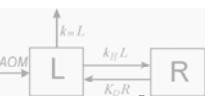
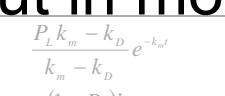
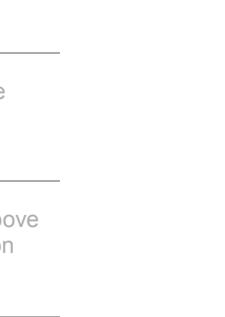
- Characterizing of an OM by lab methods is generally:
  - **Expensive** (ex. potential nitrogen transformation: 2000 €)
  - **Time consuming** (ex. plant fibres: 1 week; pot N transf. : 6 months)
  - **Not environmentally friendly** (utilization of solvents, chemicals)



- Lack of references on ‘new’ OM in terms of their C & N transformations (models)
- Lack of knowledge: less rationality for their utilizations

# Questions

- Is it possible to develop some new tools for a rapid, inexpensive and environmentally friendly characterization of various OM?
- Is it possible to use this data as input in models of OM transformations (C & N)?

N°	Name	Flow	Analytical solution	Parameters
	AOM = added		$RAOMF \text{ at time } t$	
m1	Consecutive humification 1st order CM, 3 parameters		$\frac{(k_{mL} - k_{mR})}{k_{mL} + k_H - k_{mR}} e^{-(k_{mL} + k_H)t} + \frac{k_H}{k_{mL} + k_H - k_{mR}} e^{-k_{mR}t}$	$k_{mL}, k_{mR}$ : 1 <sup>st</sup> order k. mineralization constants of labile (L) and resistant (R) compartments $k_H$ : humification constant.
m2	Exchange 1 <sup>st</sup> order 2 CM		$\frac{\lambda_1 + k_m}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} e^{\lambda_2 t} - \frac{\lambda_2 + k_m}{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} e^{\lambda_1 t}$	$k_H, k_D$ : humification and decomposition constants, $k_m$ : mineralization constant ( $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ : roots of 2 <sup>nd</sup> order linear differential equation)
m3	Consecutive decomposition 1 <sup>st</sup> order CM, 3 parameters		$\frac{P_L k_m - k_D}{k_m - k_D} e^{-k_m t} + \frac{(1-P_L)k_m}{k_m - k_D} e^{-k_D t}$	$k_D, k_m$ : decomposition and mineralization constants $P_L$ : labile AOM fraction
m4	Parallel 1 <sup>st</sup> order 2 CM, 3 parameters		$P_L e^{-k_{mL} t} + (1-P_L) e^{-k_{mR} t}$	$k_{mL}, k_{mR}$ : see m1 above $P_L$ : see m3 above
m5	Parallel 1 <sup>st</sup> order 3 CM, 4 parameters		$P_L e^{-k_{mL} t} + (1-P_L-P_S) e^{-k_{mR} t} + P_S$	$k_{mL}, k_{mR}, P_L$ : see m4 above $P_S$ : stable AOM fraction
m6	Parallel 1 <sup>st</sup> order 3 CM, 2 parameters		$P_L e^{-lt} + (1-P_L-P_S) e^{-rt} + P_S$	$P_L, P_S$ : see m4 and m5 above $l, r$ : constants (fixed values of $k_{mL}$ and $k_{mR}$ for all AOM)
m7	2 <sup>nd</sup> order kinetic model		$\frac{1}{1 + k\alpha(1-\alpha)t}$	$k$ : 2 <sup>nd</sup> order kinetic constant, $\alpha$ : fraction of AOM becoming microbial biomass
m8	1 <sup>st</sup> order plus 0 order model		$P_L e^{-k_{mL} t} + 1 - P_L + k_{m0} t$	$P_L, k_{mL}$ : see m4 above $k_{m0}$ : 0 order kinetic constant

# Objectives & Applications



Develop a method for a rapid characterization of various OM, to:  
predict the transformations of the OM added to soil (modeling)  
(re-)direct the production of organic fertilizers  
help in decision making (return to soils, energy?)

Management of OM (organic wastes from the agriculture /town),  
material choice & transformation process



- Agriculture/Urban sector:  
La Réunion, Madagascar & Sénégal; environmental and sanitary hazards (trace metals) in peri-urban situations (Project ISARD)

- Livestock effluents
  - Raw

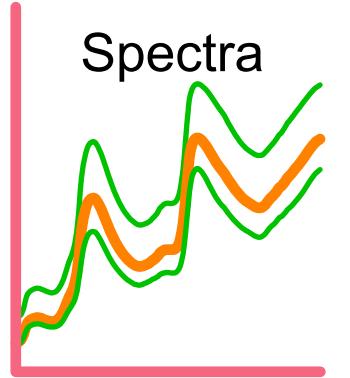


- Transformed by composting

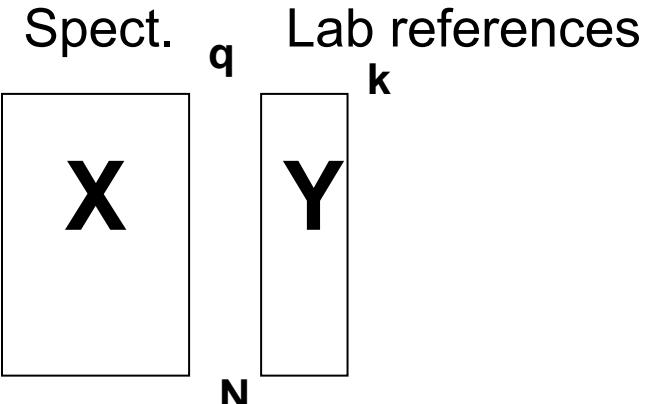
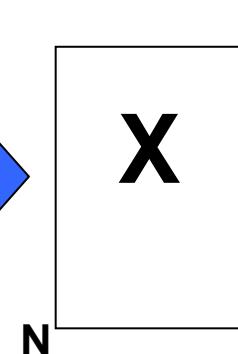


- Urban wastes
  - Raw
    - Green wastes
    - Sewage sludges
  - Transformed by composting (+ mixtures)





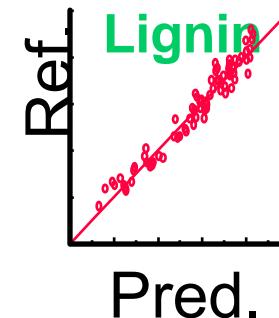
Spectra acquisition  
Spectral data matrix  
Control of the spectral population



Chemometry: Calibration development  
regressions: MLR, PLS, neuron netw..

$$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 X_1 + \dots + b_p X_p$$

Model validation  
Database maintenance



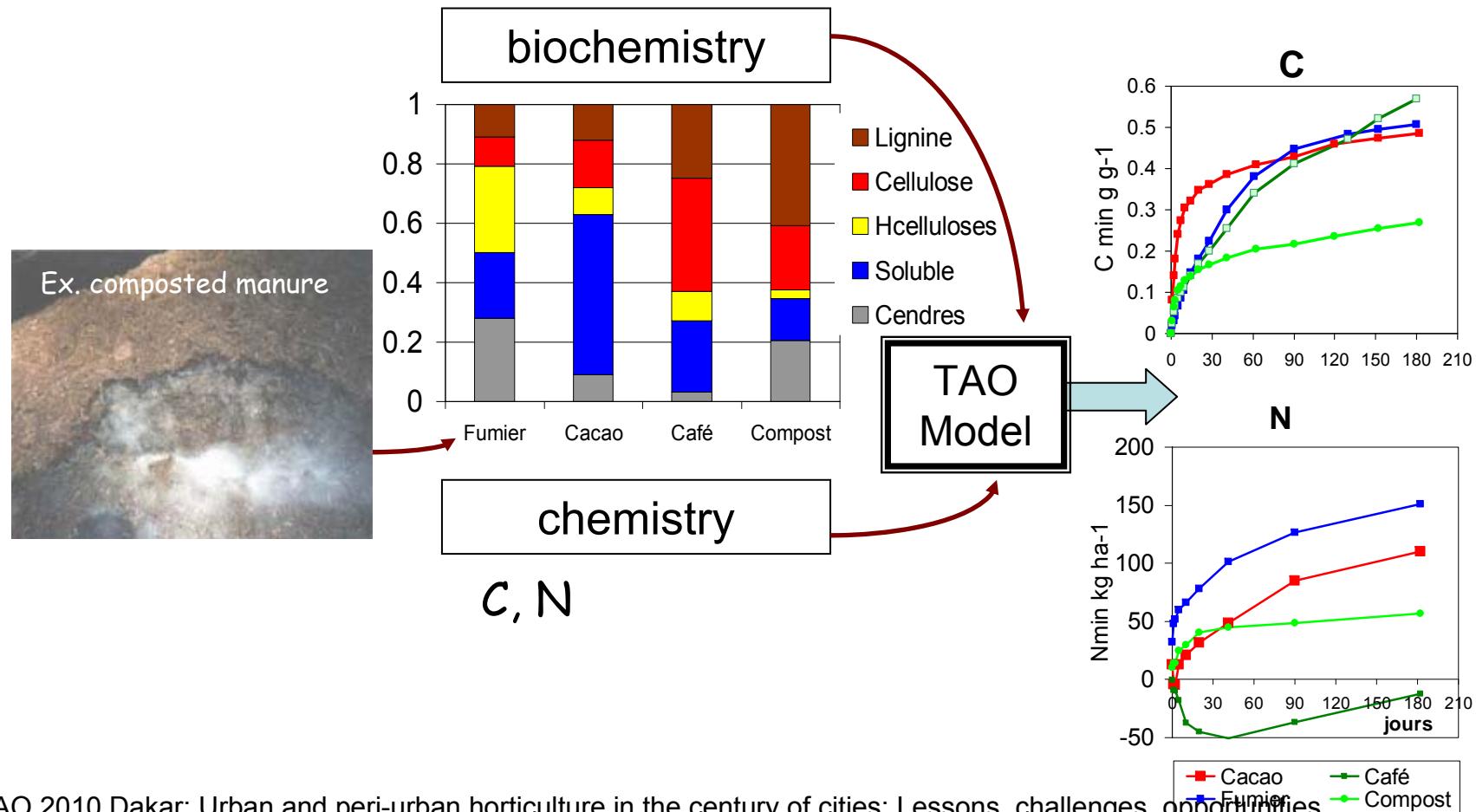
$$SEP = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{N}}$$

## Methods: Modeling the decomposition of OM; TAO

Chemical and biochemical characteristics are used as input data for the modeling of C and N transformations of OM added to soils :

### The TAO model: Transformation of Added Organics

- Functional compartments =  $f^\circ$ (measurable fractions)





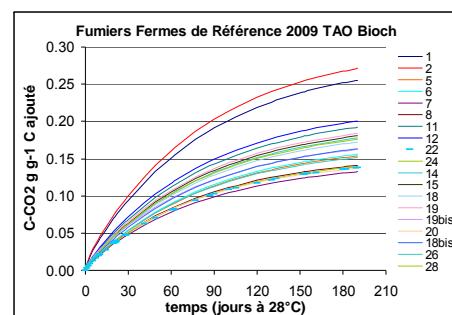
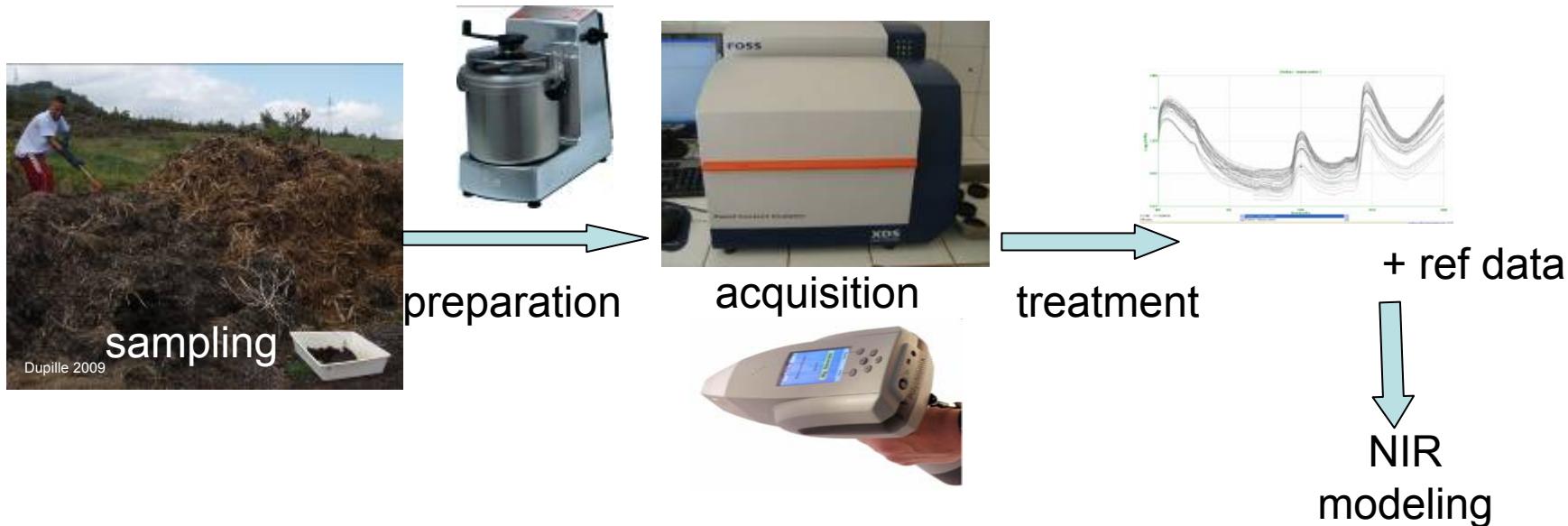
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# NIRS + TAO modeling

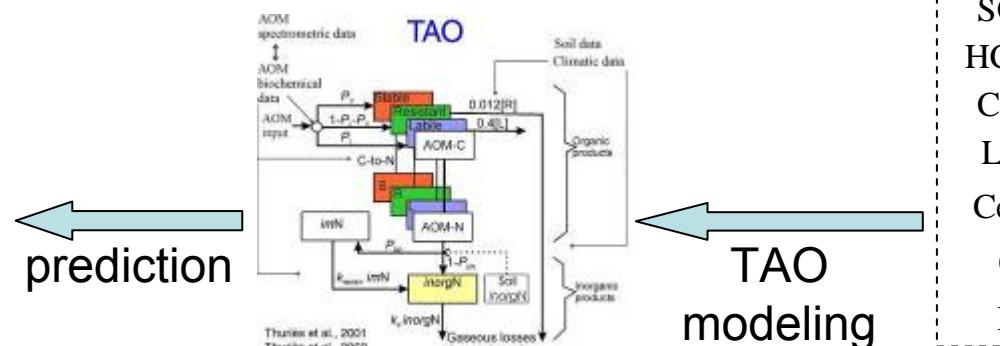


NIR predictions of some important characteristics of OM

Utilization of the TAO model and Predictions of the OM dynamics



C min° predictions of manures



SOL  
HCEL  
CEL  
LIG  
Cend  
C  
N

# Results



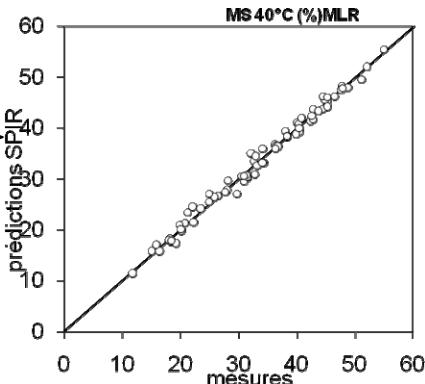
- « *Improving the characterization of effluents by means of new methods and models, for a better agronomic consideration* »

NIR characterization at a laboratory level

NIR characterization *in situ*



NIR models DM, OM, N



$R^2 = 0,9875$   
 $SECV = 1,17$   
 $RPDcv = 9,00$

NIR model classified as excellent  
 $(R^2 > 0.9, RPD > 3)$  (Saeys et al., 2005)



- « *Organic materials from livestock or town under tropical climates: the use of Near Infrared Spectroscopy to choose their potential utilizations in agriculture and/or energy* »

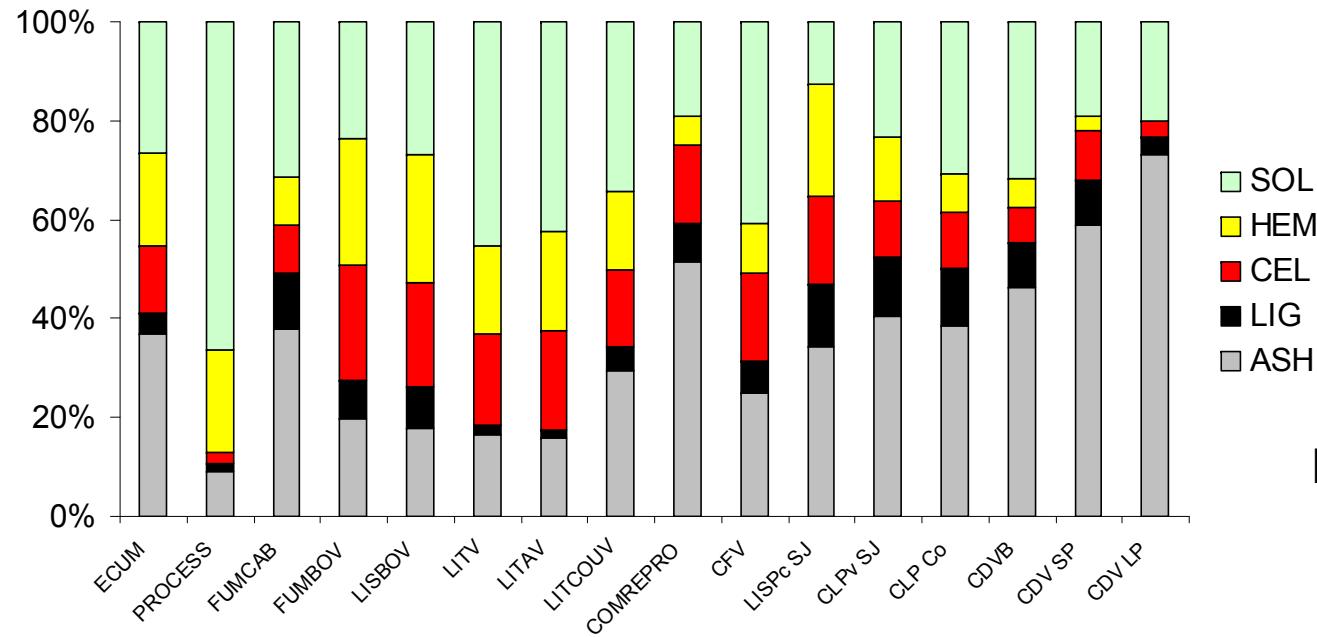


## Collaborations: LRI, IRD & INRA

	C:N
Sugar scum (lime)	ECUM
Slaughter sludge	PROCESS
Goat manure	FUMCAB
Dairy manure	FUMBOV
Dairy slurry	LISBOV
Chicken manure	LITV
Chicken manure	LIT Av
Chicken manure	LITCOUV
Chicken manure compost	COMREPRO
Chicken manure compost	CFV
Centrifuged pig slurry SJ	LISPc SJ
Compost of centrifuged pig slurry	CLPv SJ
Composted pig manure	CLP Co
Green waste compost +SS	CDVB
Green waste compost	CDV SP
Green waste compost	CDV LP



## C & N wide range



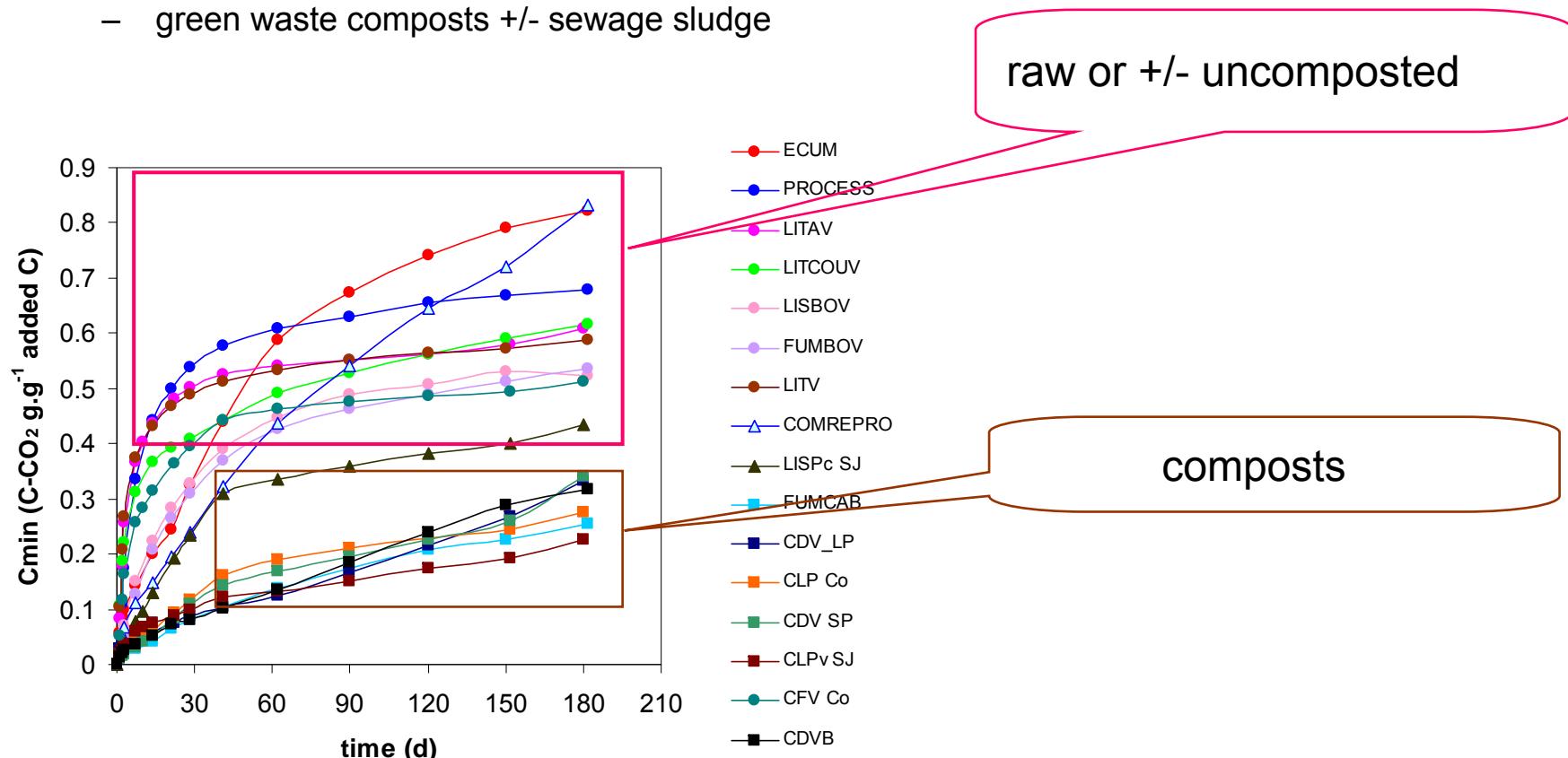
Fibers wide range





## Potential mineralization of C & N

- effluents (agricultural & agro-industrial)
- effluent composts
- green waste composts +/- sewage sludge





		TAObioch	
		PL	PS
Sugar scum (lime)	ECUM	0.20	0.15
Slaughter sludge	PROCESS	0.39	0.06
Goat manure	FUMCAB	0.22	0.41
Dairy manure	FUMBOV	0.18	0.29
Dairy slurry	LISBOV	0.20	0.31
Chicken manure	LITV	0.28	0.08
Chicken manure	LIT Av	0.26	0.07
Chicken manure	LITCOUV	0.24	0.18
Chicken manure compost	COMREPRO	0.17	0.29
Chicken manure compost	CFV	0.25	0.23
Centrifuged pig slurry SJ	LISPc SJ	0.05	0.46
Compost of centrifuged pig slurry	CLPv SJ	0.18	0.43
Composted pig manure	CLP Co	0.16	0.42
Green waste compost +SS	CDVB	0.23	0.33
Green waste compost	CDV SP	0.13	0.32
Green waste compost	CDV LP	0.26	0.13
	min	0.05	0.06
	max	0.39	0.46
	mean	0.21	0.26

Calculated with  
fibers + C & N



# Usefulness of NIR predictions for the TAO model

Modèle TAO : 1<sup>er</sup> ordre 3 compartiments,

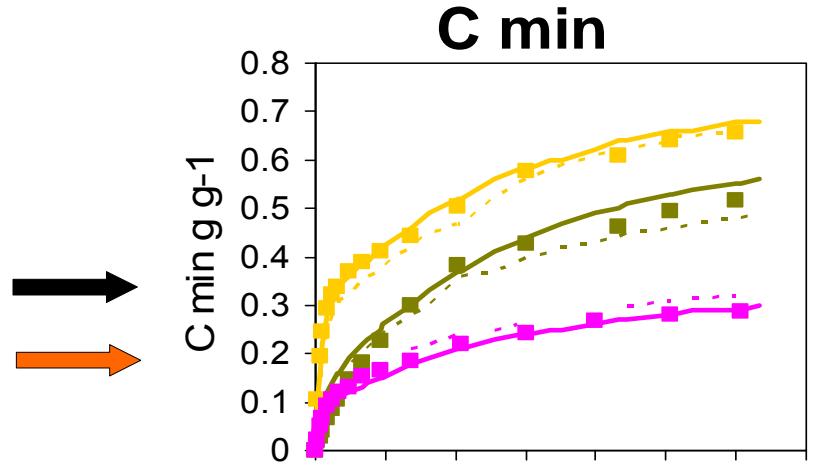
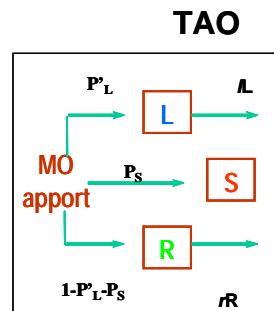
L, labile

R, résistant

S, stable

I cte minéralisation de L

r cte minéralisation de R



$$P_L, P_R, P_S = f^o(\text{NDSoluble, Hemicelluloses, Cellulose, Lignine, MO, Nt})$$

Lab data

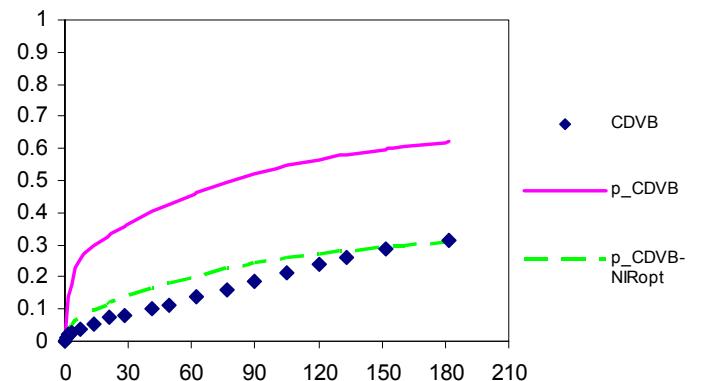
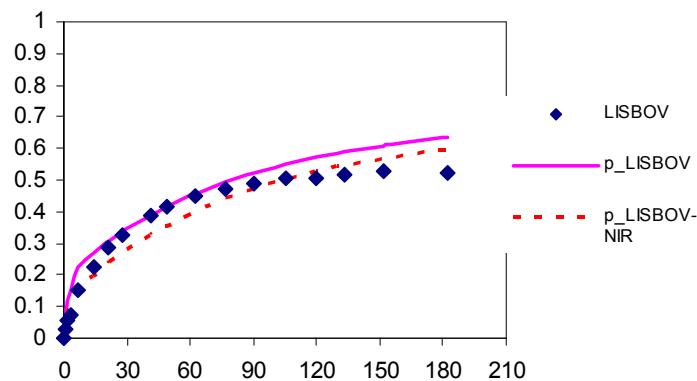
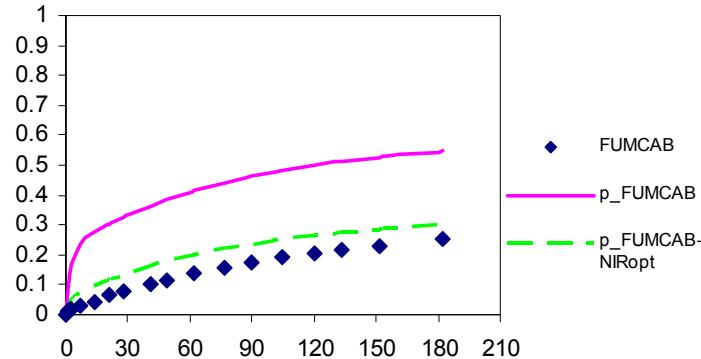
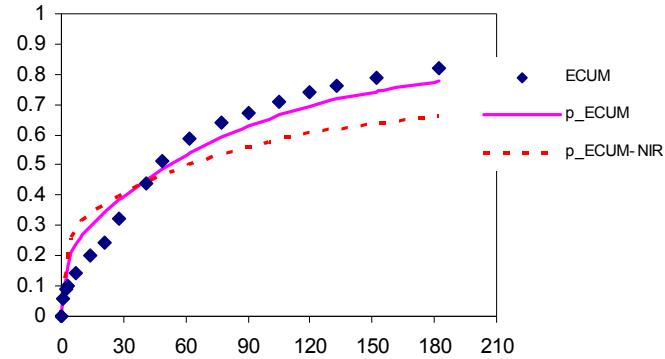


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NIR predictions

**The TAO model can be run with lab data or NIR predicted data**

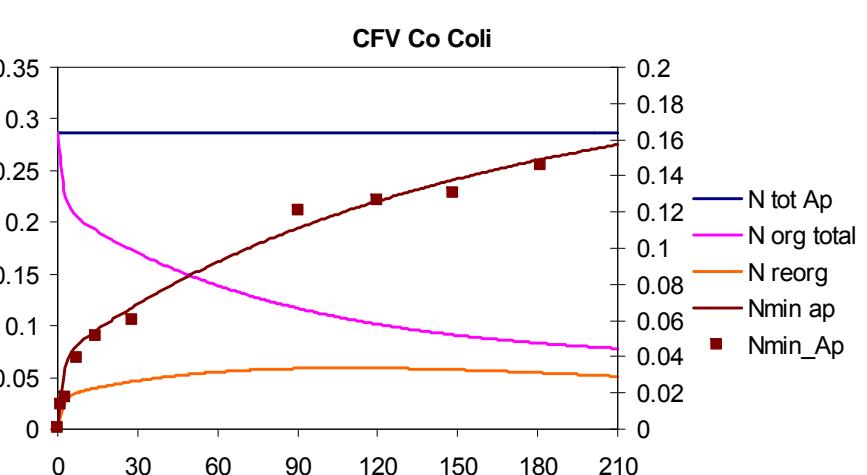
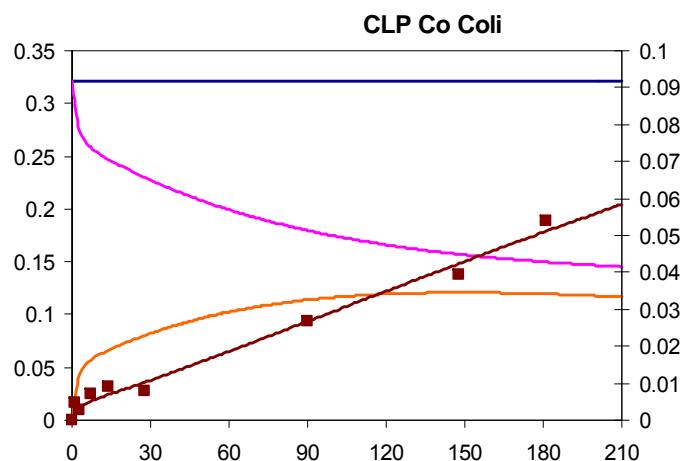
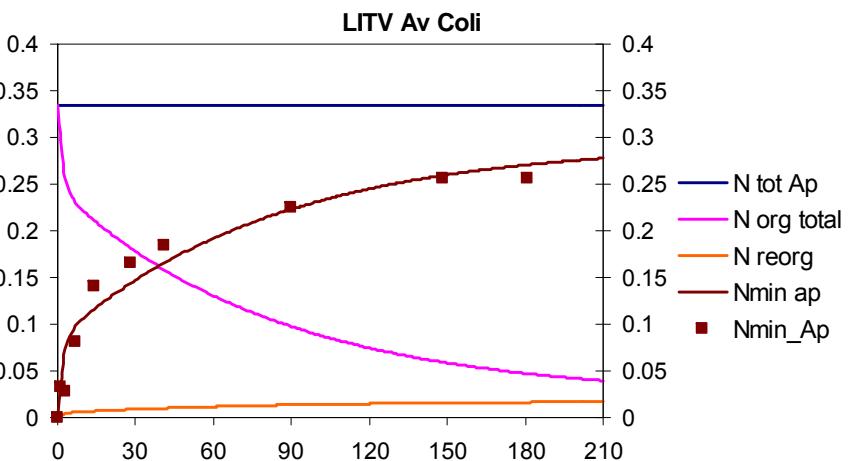
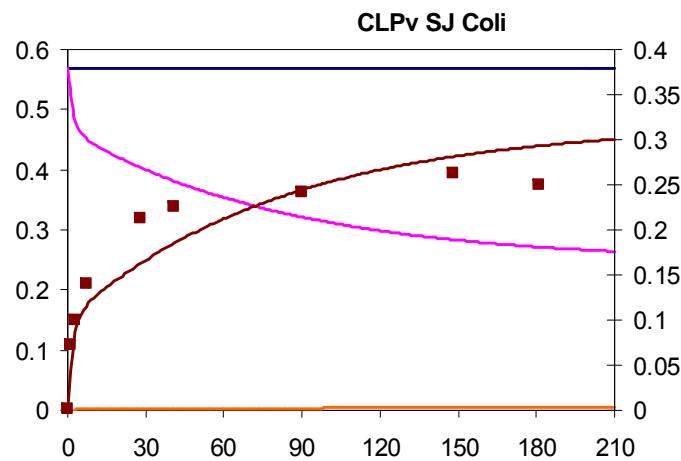
# Cmin with TAO & TAO-NIR



TAO-NIR pred  $\approx$  TAO-bioch pred

TAO-NIR pred better than TAO-bioch pred

# Nmin with TAO



- Both versions of the TAO model can be useful to make OM mineralization predictions :
  - faster and
  - cheaperthan reference analyses:
  - ~5min vs 1 week-6months
  - and ~10€ vs 120€-2000~€
- Potential utilizations: selection of the most appropriate usages of OM (agronomic or energy according to a balance benefits/environmental risks)



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