

# VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS EMISSIONS FROM CATTLE SLURRY ON AN AGRICULTURAL SOIL



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## Introduction

Volatile organic compounds (VOC) are essential drivers of atmospheric chemistry and precursors of pollutants constituting a threat for human health and the environment : ozone and secondary organic aerosols. 90% of VOC are biogenic (BVOC), and are not exhaustively quantified. In particular, managed ecosystems are the largest potential emitter of BVOC. It is estimated that 55% of the emissions come from forest, 27% from agriculture and 18% from other land use. Current estimates however do not account satisfactorily for emissions linked with agricultural practices due to a lack of data and in particular emissions following slurry application.

## Material and Methods

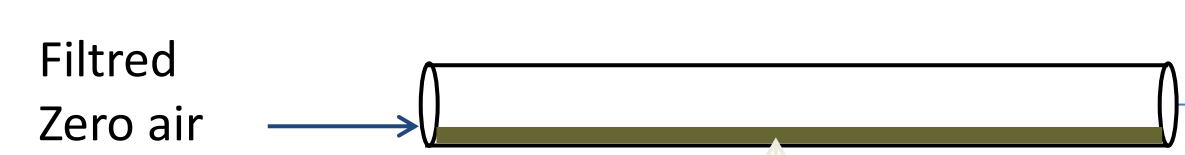
### Experiment device

We simulated a spreading slurry under controlled conditions.

The samples deposited over a aluminium tray are introduced in a glass tube in which cleaned air was flowed through at a controlled flow rate (cf characteristics on table).

The outgoing air was sampled with an Ionicon PTR-QiTOF-MS (Proton Transfer Reaction - Quadrupole Ion Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry).

VOC emissions of system (blank), of soil sample and of soil mixed with slurry were measured.



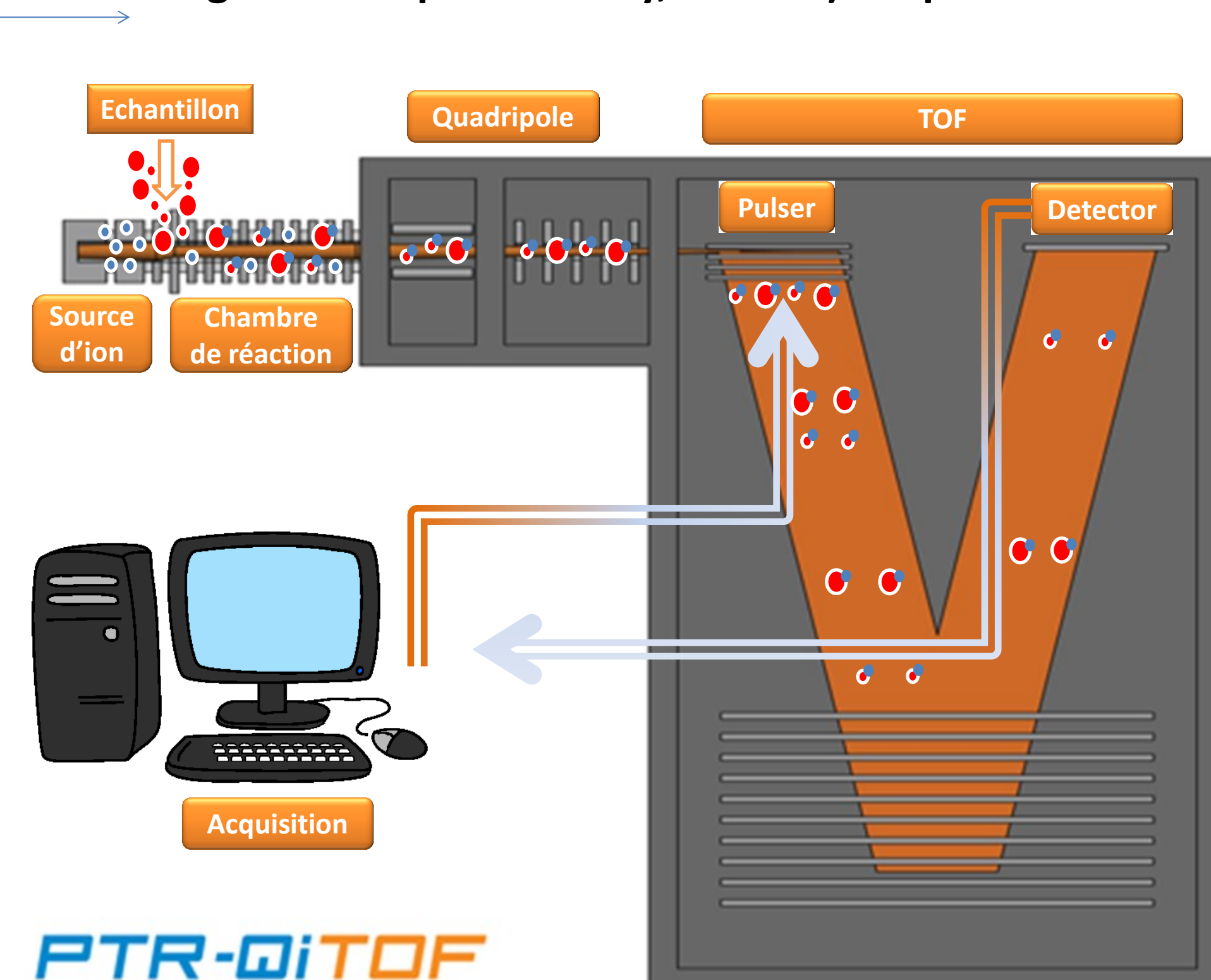
Material and Methods characteristics		
SOIL (top 15cm)	SLURRY	Glass Chamber
silt loam	Cattle origin	Length : 40cm
clay : 18.9%	C/N : 8.7	Diameter :
silt : 71.3%	Organic Matter : 6.7%	Zero Air flow : 200 mlmin <sup>-1</sup>
Humidity : 22%	Humidity : 91%	Exchange area : 100 cm <sup>2</sup>
Organic content : 20 gCkg <sup>-1</sup>	Total carbone : 34 g kg <sup>-1</sup>	Soil Mass :
pH in water : 7.6		Slurry Proportion :
Bulk density : 1.3 kg dm <sup>-3</sup>		

## Objectives

- Measurements of VOC emissions from cattle slurry applied on a silt loam soil in laboratory
- Estimation VOC flux
- Identification of chemical families VOC
- Evaluation of impact cattle slurry on soil

### COV measurement by PTR-QiTOF-MS

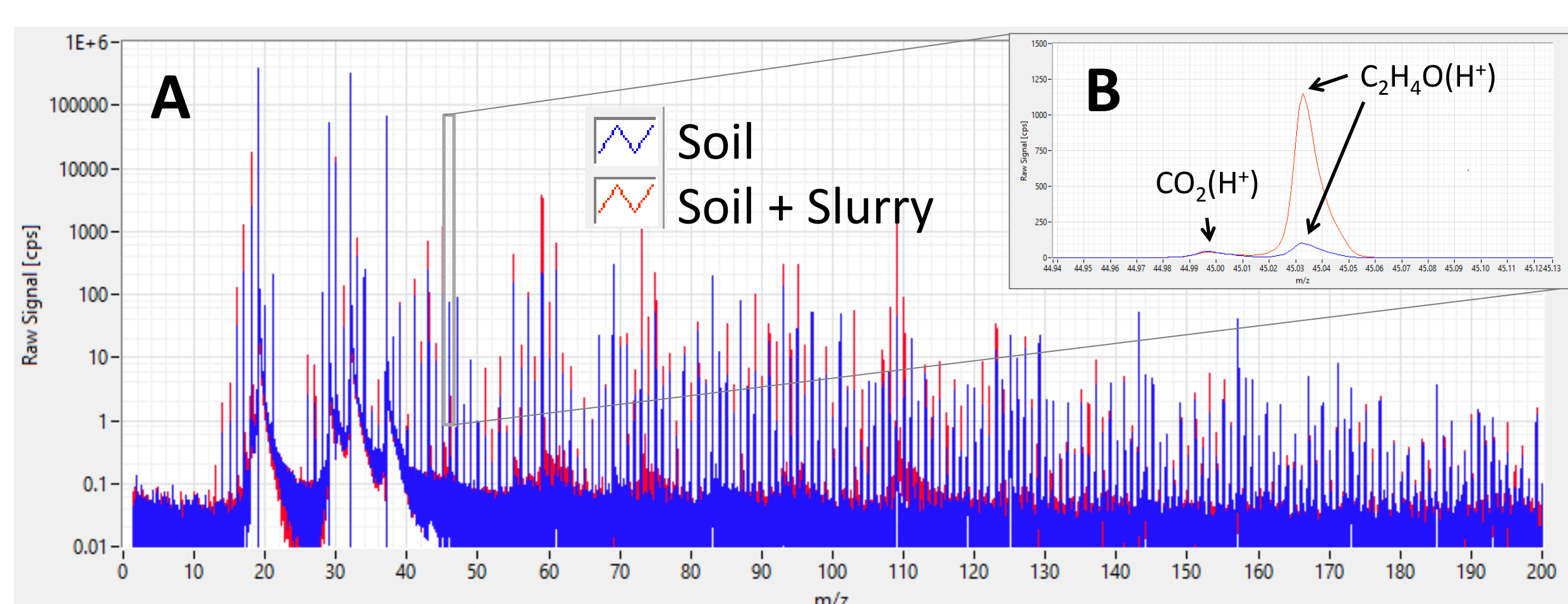
Using an high-resolution PTR-QiTOF-MS (Proton Transfer Reaction - Quadrupole Ion Time of Flight Mass Spectrometry, Ionicon) coupled with a fast GC (Gas Chromatography).



**Ionicon PTR-QiTOF-MS**  
On line measurements  
High resolution  
Detection limit < 10pptv

**Figure 3. Schema du PTR-MS-Qi-TOF.**  
(1) source d'ions H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> produits par injection d'eau pure dans une cathode creuse à décharge (2) chambre de réaction (drift-tube) où la réaction de transfert de proton s'effectue, (3) quadrupôle améliorant le transfert des ions vers le spectromètre de masse (4) spectromètre de masse de type time of flight TOF

## Results

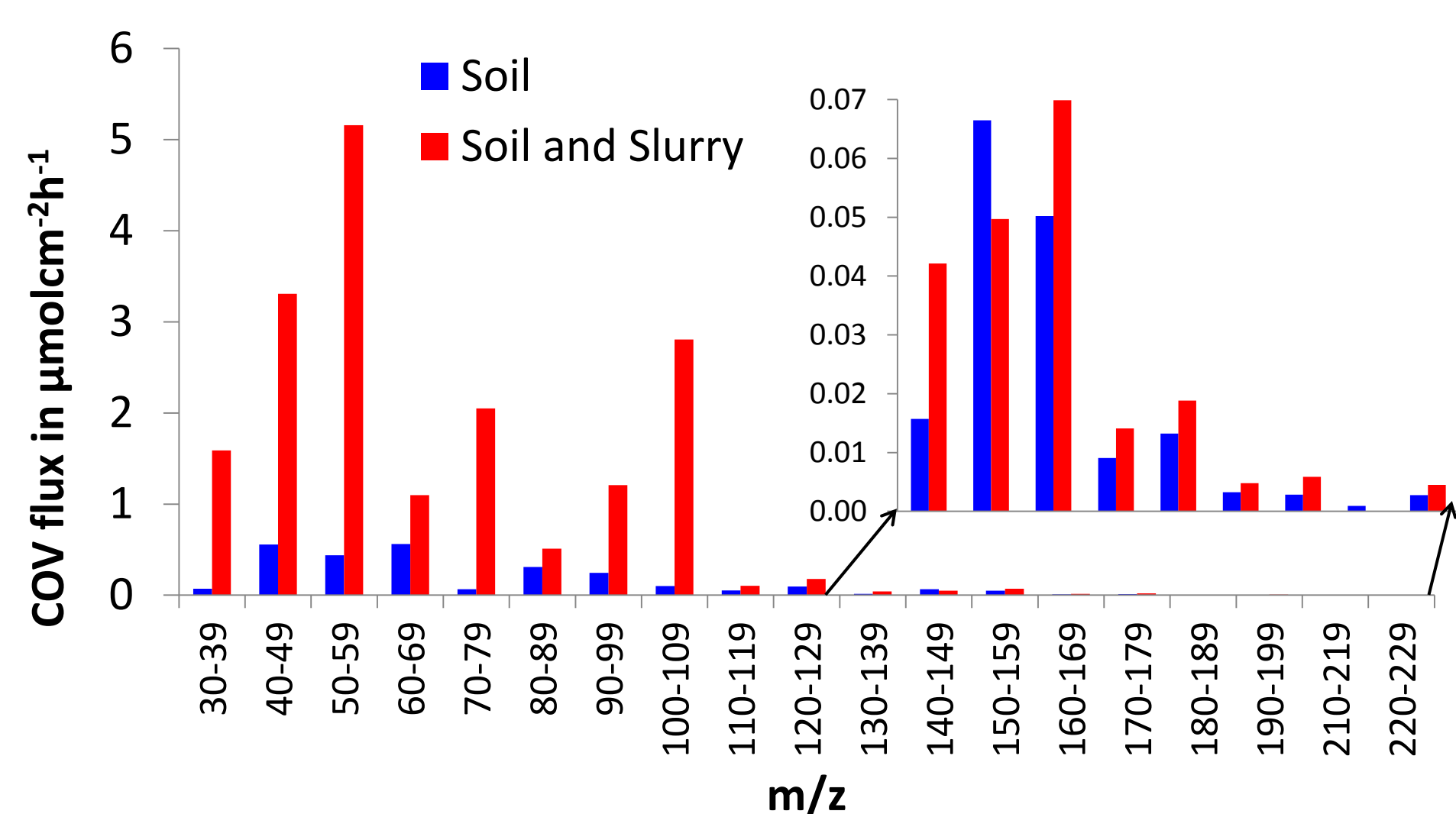


**(A) PTR-MS spectra of soil and soil + slurry.**

Plot of ion count rate (in Logarithmic scale) versus m/z ( mass number / charge number of each ion). Only the low mass region is displayed ( total range measured m/z 0-500)

**(B) Zoom on 2 compounds separation at m/z 45**

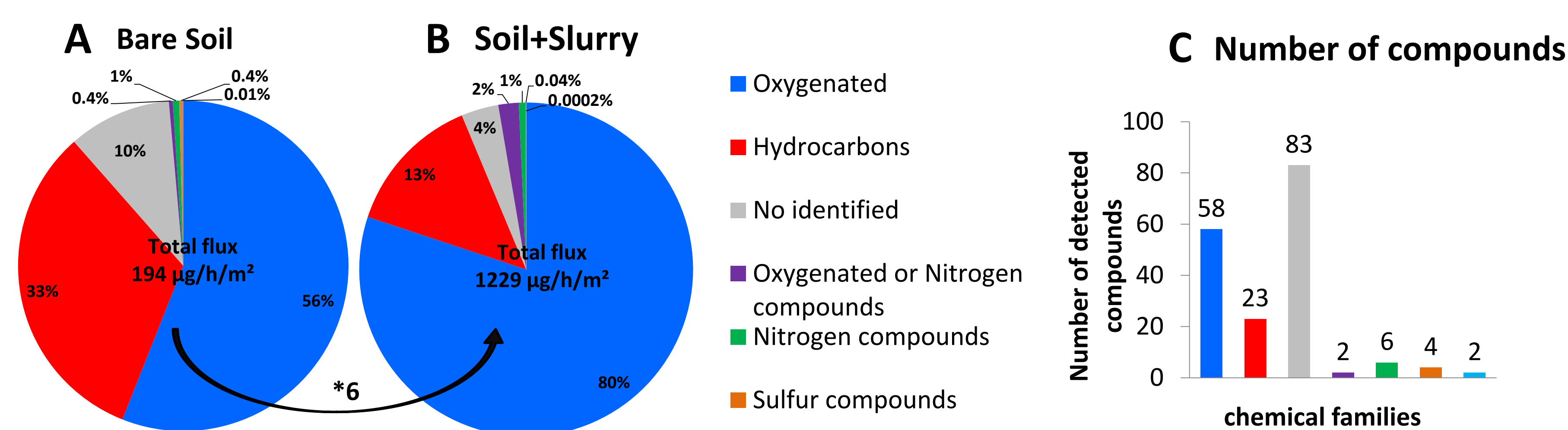
### VOC classification by mass ranges



**COV flux of bare soil and soil+slurry categorized by mass ranges**

- Soil+slurry emitted higher COV fluxes than bare soil
- Most VOCs are below 110 uma

### VOC Flux and Classification by chemical families



**Flux contribution by chemical families in bare soil (A) and soil+slurry (B)**

- COV emissions is 6 times higher in soil with slurry than soil alone.
- Oxygenated compounds and hydrocarbons are the predominant contributor emissions (>80%).
- Nitrogen, sulfur and chlorinated compounds are emitted in very low quantities

**Number of potential detected compounds per chemical families (C)**

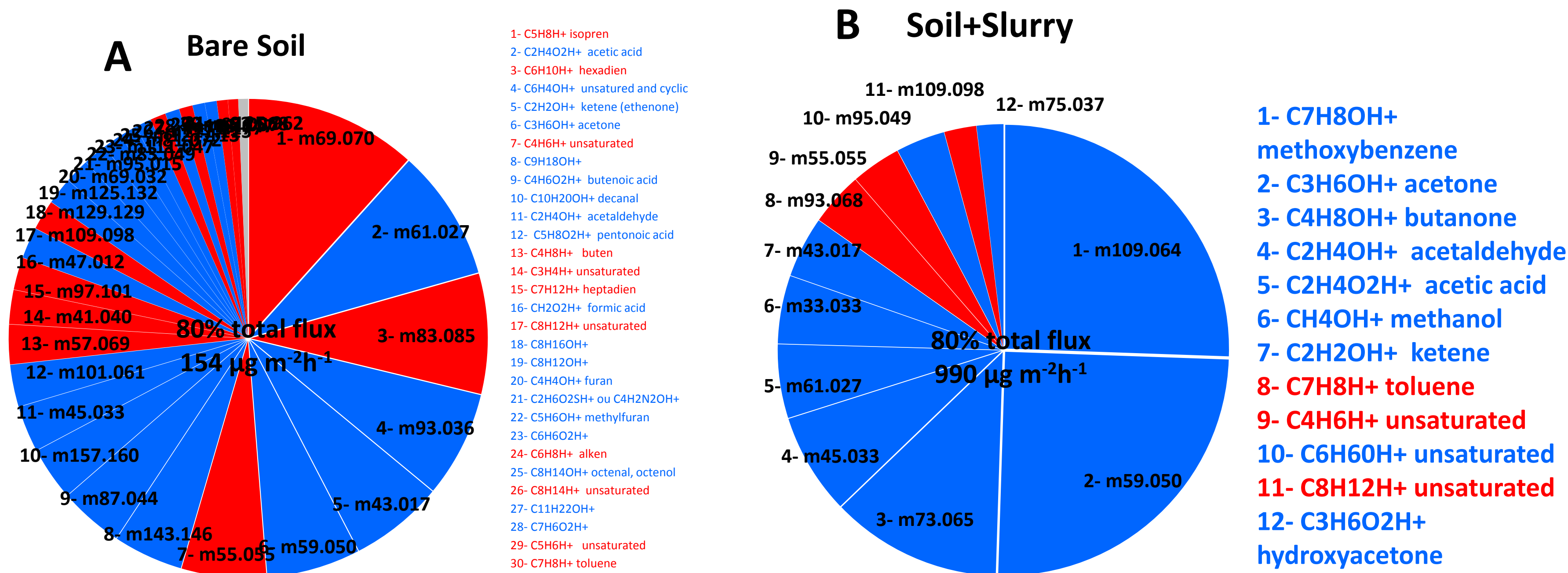
- In fig B, the 54 oxygenated compounds = 79% from total flux
- The contribution to the total flux of each unidentified compound is negligible on soil+slurry

## Conclusion

Contribution par rapport emission biblio?

## Perspectives

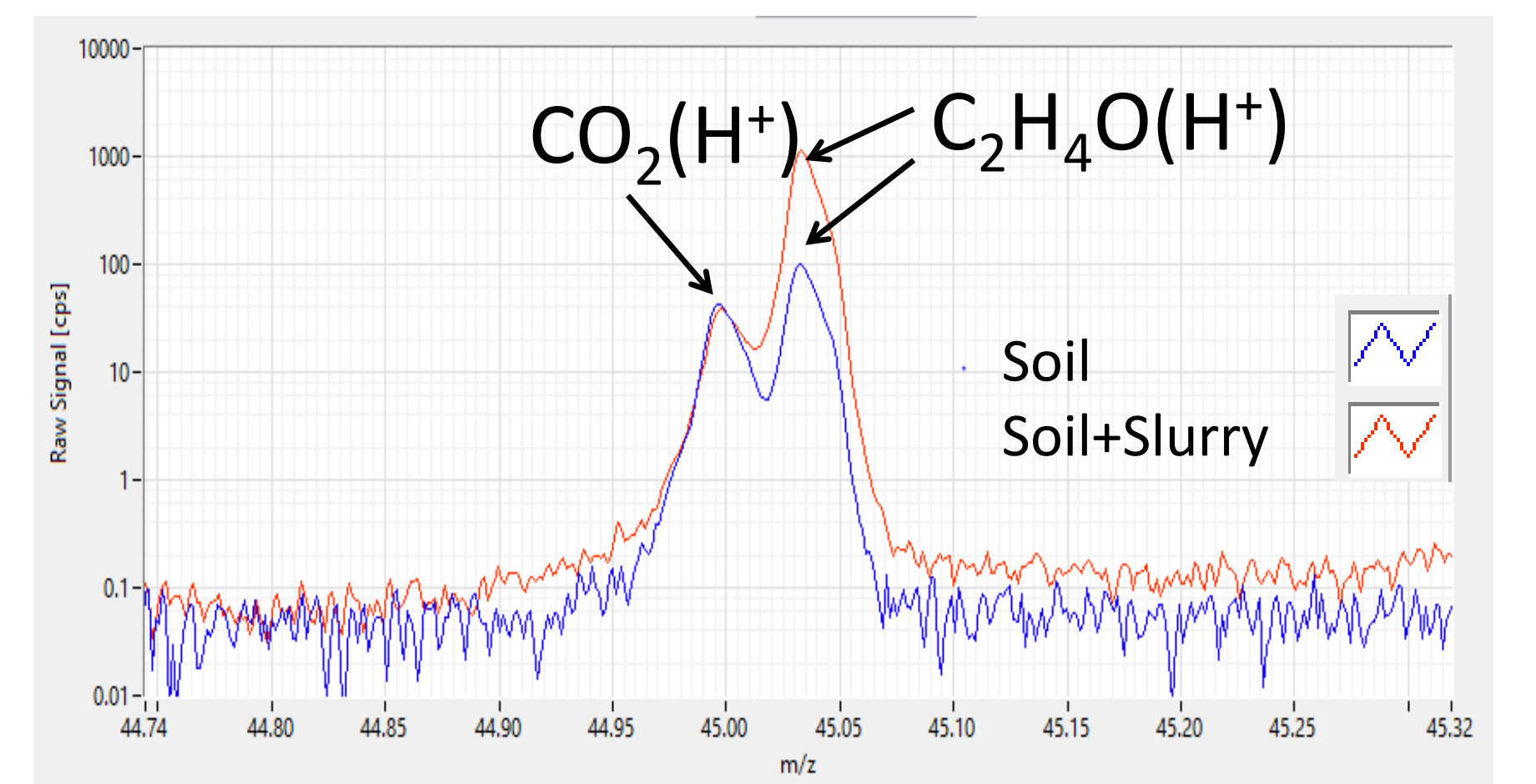
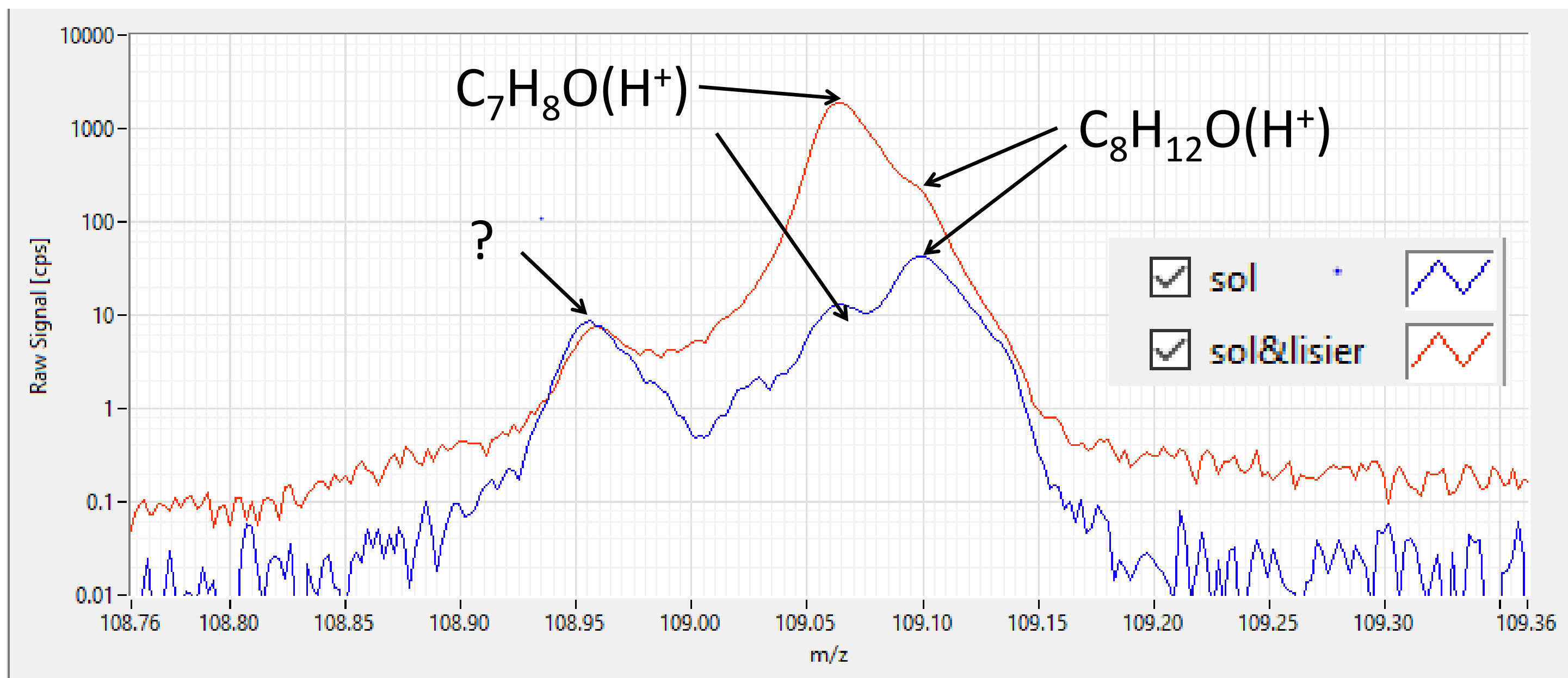
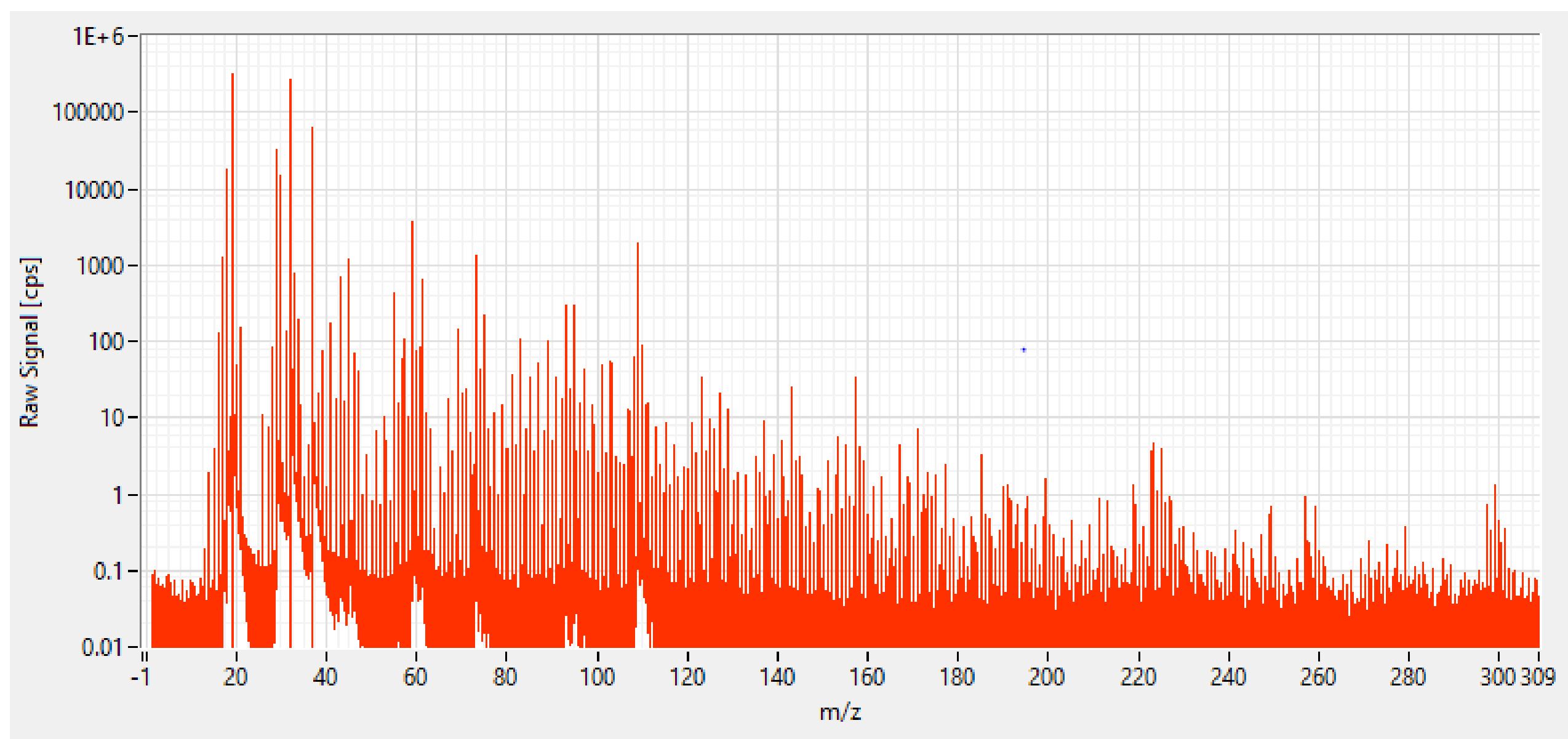
- Improve and confirm C OV identification and quantification by using µGC (Gas chromatography) and other ionization modes
- study temporal emissions
- Apply to the study to :
  - the emissions from other residual organic products (husbandry, agro-industry and urban), quantification and specificities
  - the effects of meteorological conditions, soil conditions and agricultural practices: application rate and technique



**Fractional contribution to 80% total flux of m/z ions species in bare soil (A) and soil+slurry (B), brut formulae and their potentially contributing compounds.**

- The emissions profile of 2 samples are completely different .
- 12 compounds represents 80% total flux in soil+slurry, 32 for bare soil.
- Methoxybenzene and acetone seem to be predominant in soil+slurry, isopropen, acetic acid, cetone and unsaturated compounds in bare soil.
- The slurry is a physical,chemical or biological barrier for few compounds emitted by soil and not by soil+slurry (isopren, hexadien, butanoic acid, formic acid, furan)

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## INTRODUCTION / CONTEXTE cf Iefe Raluca et CoV3ER BL et PAPIER icos BL

### Impact environnementaux et sanitaires des COV

Formation d'O<sub>3</sub> troposphérique & concentration de gaz à effet de serre dans l'atmosphère

Les composés organiques volatils (COV) sont des composants clés en chimie atmosphérique. Ils participent à des réactions photochimiques dans la basse atmosphère et jouent ainsi un rôle majeur dans le cycle de l'ozone troposphérique et la formation d'aérosols organiques secondaires. À l'échelle globale, ces COV sont à 10% d'origine anthropique et à 90% d'origine biotique.

+ cf 3B manure management July 2015

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### Results

Calculer les COV en flux

Unités : mlc / g / carbone / azote?

Graphes :

- FLUX les plus abondants : 1 histogramme ou 3 camemberts
  - Sol
  - Lisier
  - sol+Lisier
  - 3 replicats? Afficher variabilité
- Est-ce les mêmes COV ?
- Montrer :
  - puits : disparition (dépot / adsorption / dissolution)
  - sources : apparition
- classement par masses :
- classement par fonction chimique :
  - HC saturé / insaturé : alcane alcène alcyne
  - oxygéné : alcool cétone aldéhyde acide éther ester
  - Azoté :

## Figures mat et met

Schema dispositif

Schema ptrms

Spectre

Séparation GC?

### Figures results

Spectre

Zoom sur 2 masses proches INTEGRATION

Séparation GC?

Identification : mode H3O+ ::NO

## Conclusion perspectives