



Fisiologia Vegetal

aula TP Nutrição

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O que é a nutrição das plantas?

- **Mineral elements**, those acquired primarily in the form of inorganic ions, continually cycle through all organisms and their environment. Mineral elements enter the biosphere predominantly through the root systems of plants, so in a sense **plants** act like the “miners” of Earth’s crust (Epstein 1972, 1994).
- **Plant mineral nutrition is unique because green plants**, the only multicellular autotrophic organisms, **can mine inorganic elements from the environment** without having to rely on high-energy compounds synthesized by other organisms.
- The study of how plants absorb and assimilate inorganic ions is called mineral nutrition; which is central to **modern agriculture** and **environmental protection**.



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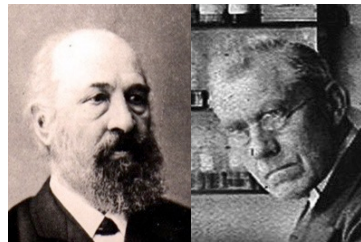
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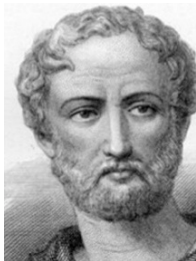
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Organic matter

Water

Minerals
Building blocks

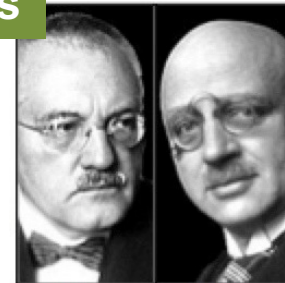
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SYNTHETIC NITROGEN FERTILIZERS



“...It was clear that the demand for fixed N which at the beginning of last century (XX) could be satisfied with a few hundred thousand tons a year, most increase to millions of tons...”



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The industrialization of the N cycle



Science around us

Fertilizer out of thin air

... Green revolution



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Consequências da revolução verde

The use of fertilizers allows the increase of human population

Erisman et al 2008,
Nature Geoscience, 1:
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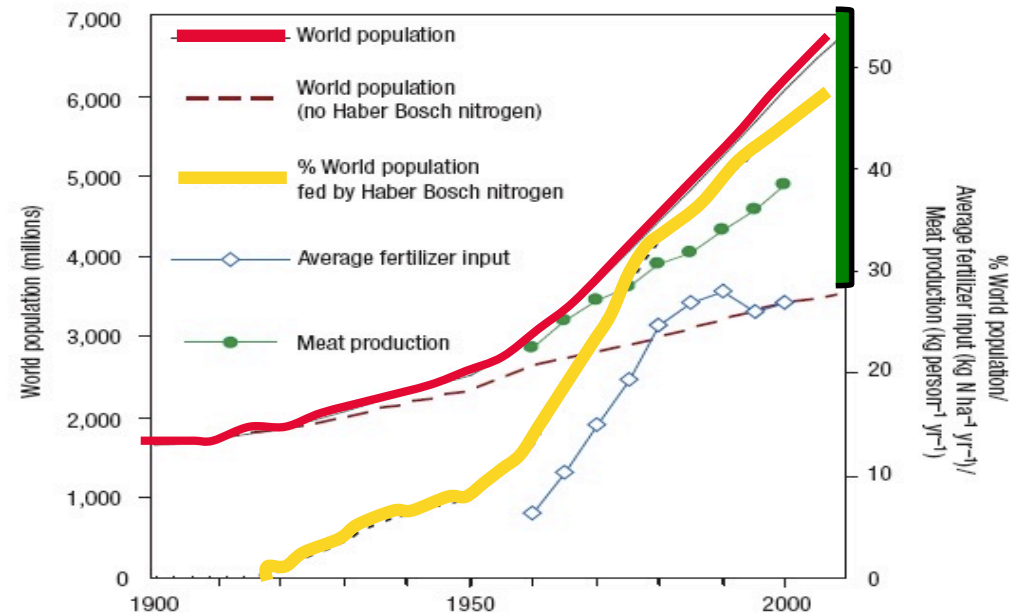
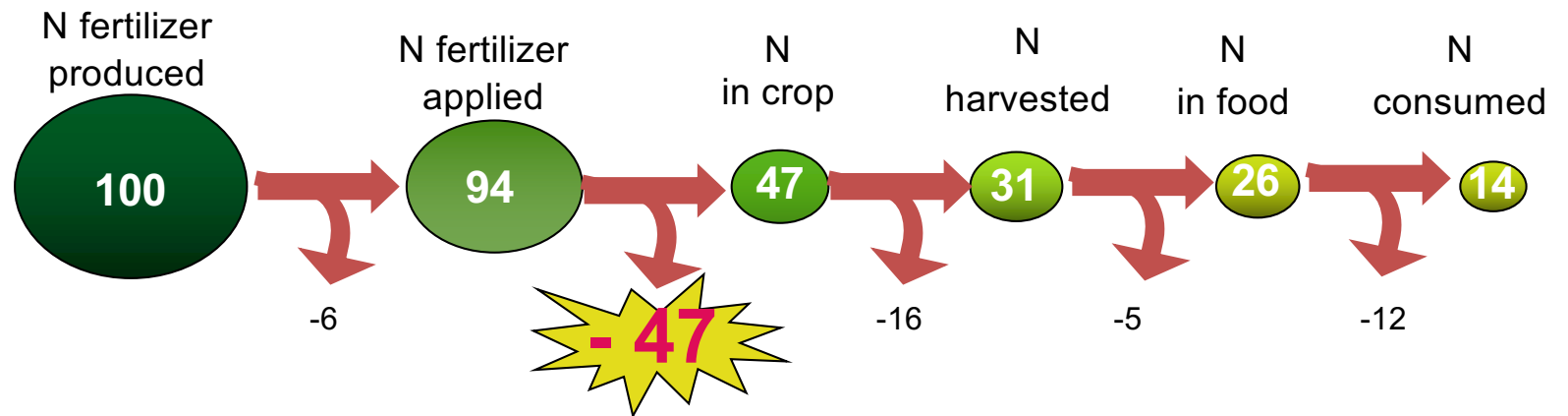
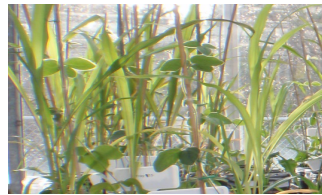


Figure 1 Trends in human population and nitrogen use throughout the twentieth century. Of the total world population (solid line), an estimate is made of the number of people that could be sustained without reactive nitrogen from the Haber–Bosch process (long dashed line), also expressed as a percentage of the global population (short dashed line). The recorded increase in average fertilizer use per hectare of agricultural land (blue symbols) and the increase in per capita meat production (green symbols) is also shown.



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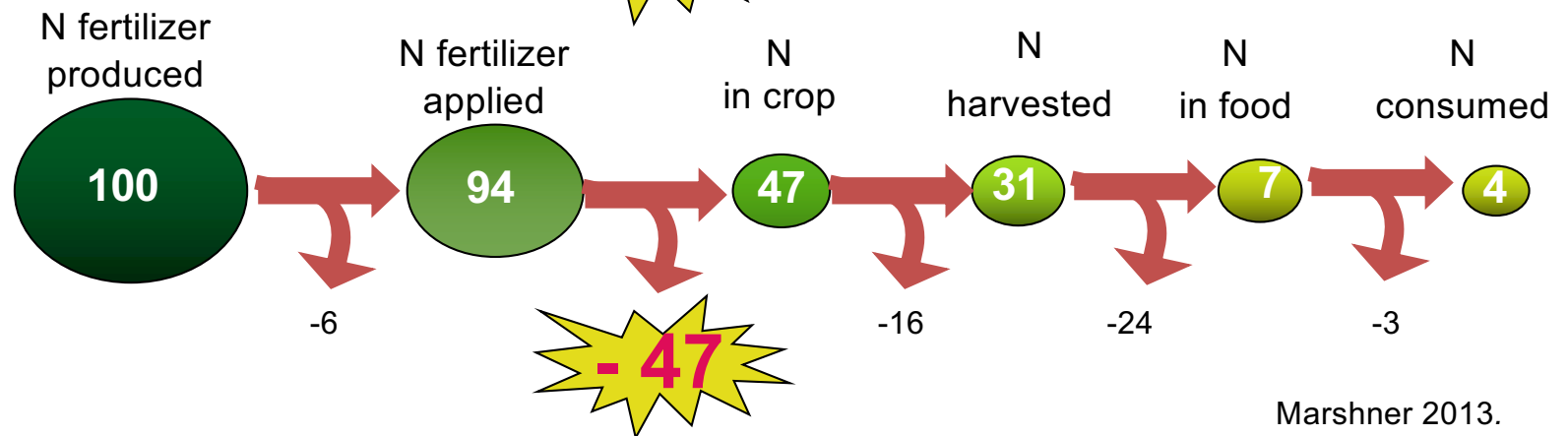
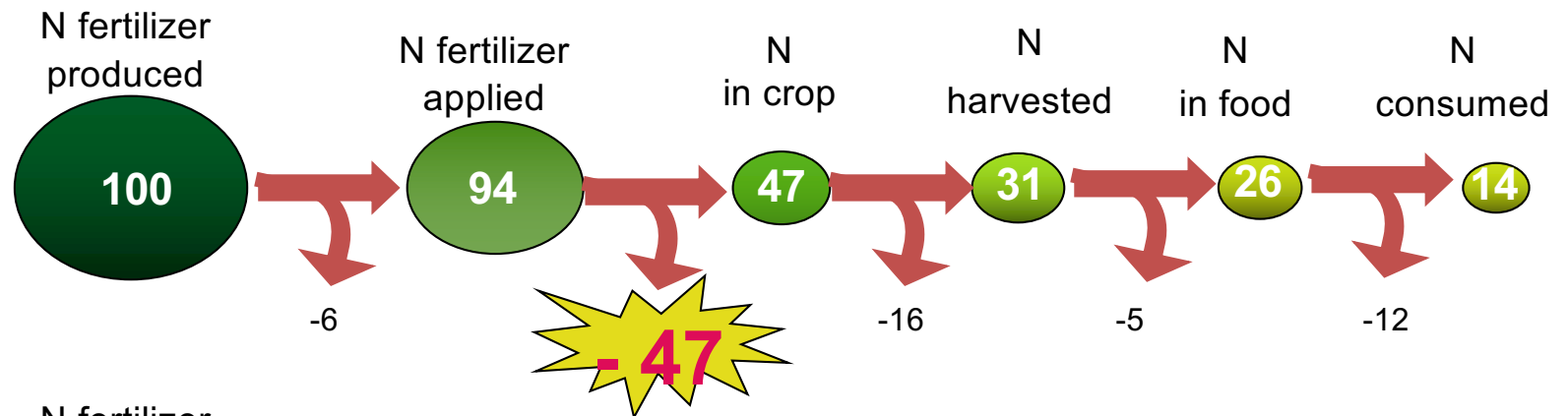


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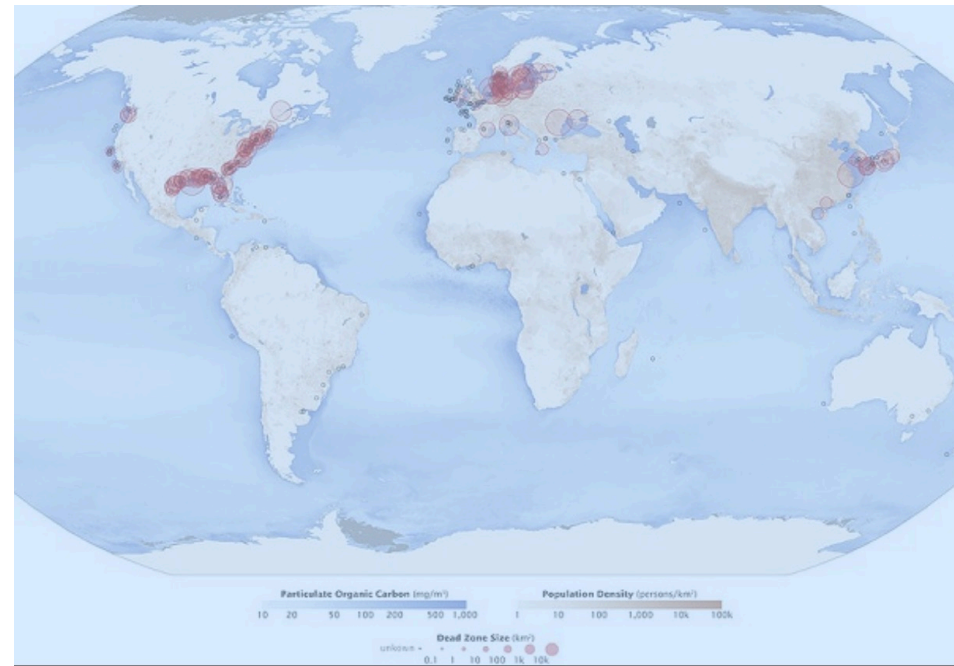
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World **dead zones** are usually situated at costal waters are caused by fertilizer and other products runoff





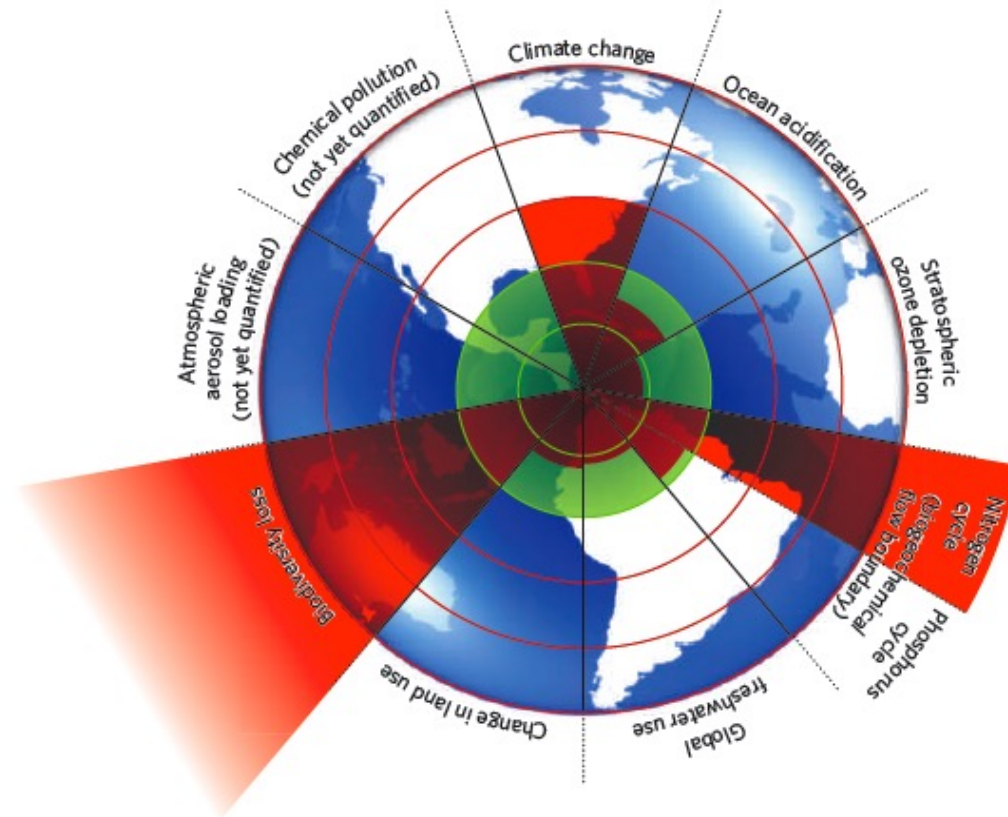
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Holocene



Anthropocene



Rockström et al 2009, Nature
Dias et al 2018, LDD



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Como atingir e conciliar os múltiplos desafios?



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Pode a nutrição vegetal ajudar?



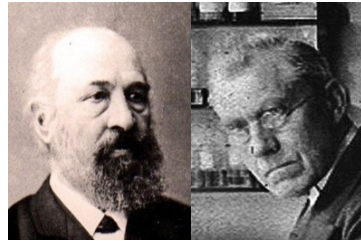
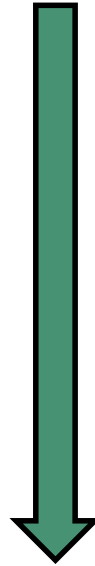
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Biofertilizers



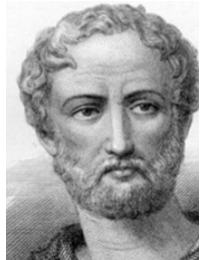
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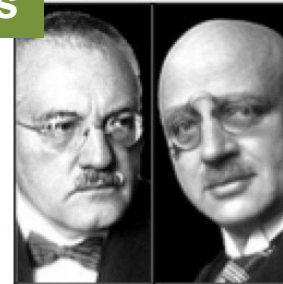
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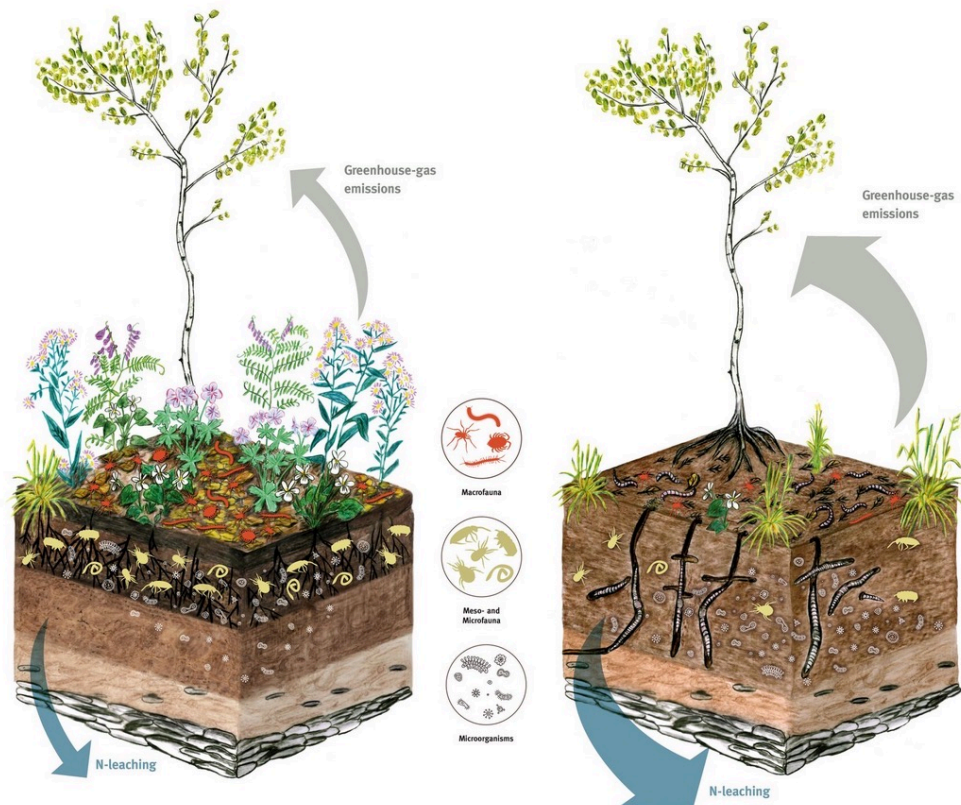


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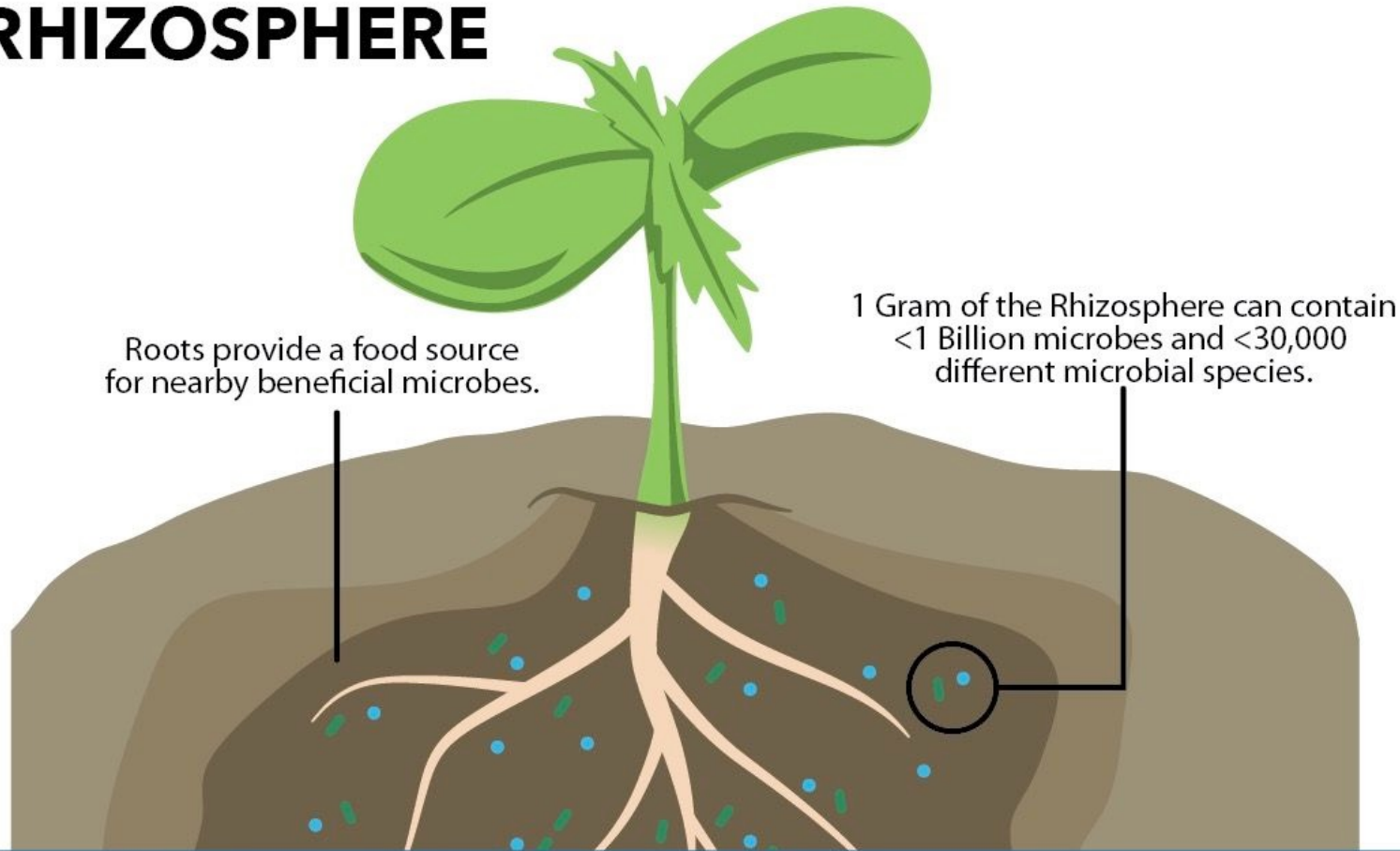
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Why do we need **biofertilizers**?





RHIZOSPHERE



PATHOGENIC

Causes infection and creates a harmful environment



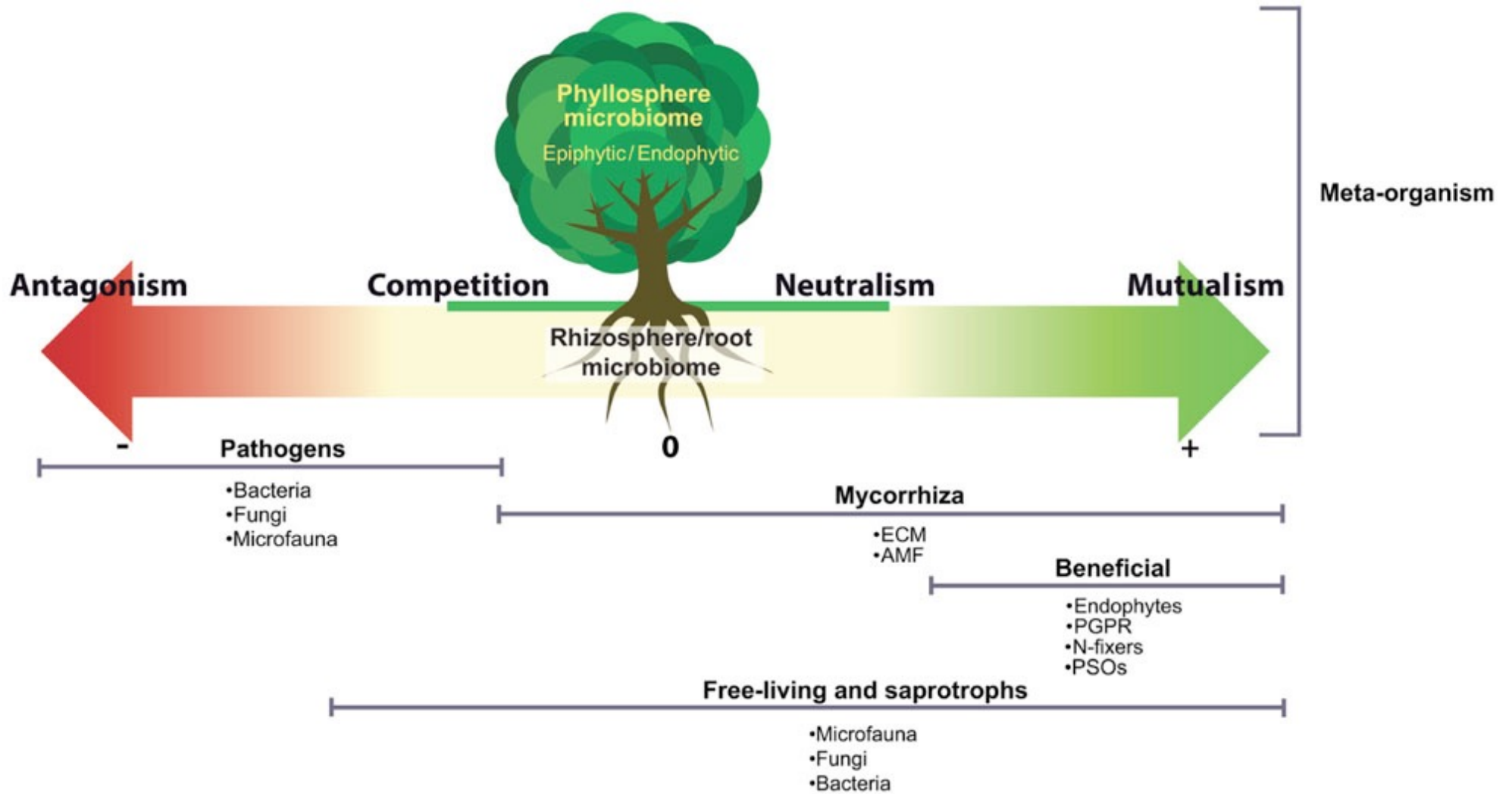
BENEFICIAL

Supplies beneficial nutrients
Enhances root growth
Repels pests and disease



COMMENSAL

Creates a healthier plant by balancing the plant's ecosystem





Efeitos benéficos dos microrganismos

Temperature
Some soil microbes are very tolerant to harsh environments. *Pseudomonas putida* can significantly enhance growth of wheat under heat stress



Drought

Some *Bacillus subtilis* strains produce cytokinin, a plant hormone that interferes with drought induced suppression of shoot growth thereby enhancing plant growth throughout periods of drought

Waterlogging
Under stressful conditions plants produce the chemical substance ACC, a precursor to the hormone ethylene which stunts plant growth. Bacterium *Serratia* produces an enzyme that breaks down ACC which results in better plant growth



Insects

Many *Pseudomonas* and *Bacillus* isolates have insecticidal activity and can prime plants against insect attack

Mineral toxicity
Some salt or heavy metal resistant microbes can enhance plant growth and survivability. Siderophore producing bacteria, such as *Microbacterium* and *Pseudomonas*, can bind heavy metals and reduce toxicity to plants



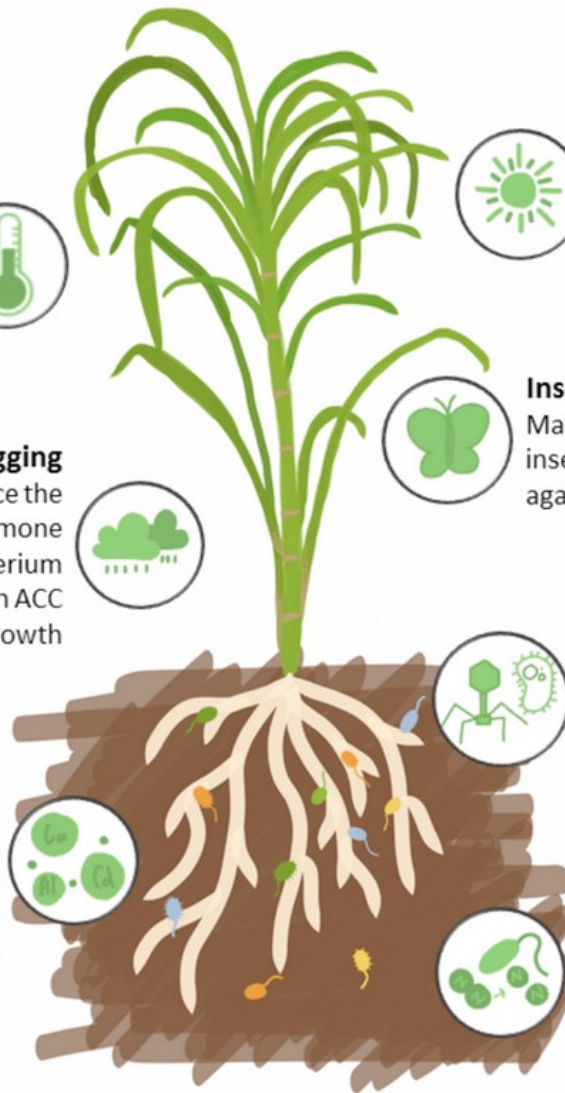
Pests and pathogens

Various bacteria including *Pseudomonas fluorescens*, produce antibiotic compounds like pyrrolnitrin, which confers resistance to various fungal pathogens such as *Rhizoctonia solani* which causes damping-off disease in cotton



Nutrient limitation

Some microbes can access nutrients that are unavailable to plants including atmospheric nitrogen and organic phosphorus. The best understood example is the rhizobia-legume symbiosis







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CENOURA. V. N. Mil Fontes. 2007.
Agricultor: Camposol.
Solo: Arenoso.
Dose NPK: 650 (520) kg/ha de 10-25-13

modalidades	produção t/ha	aumento produção t/ha	%
NPK	56,9		100
NPK microrganismos BENÉFICOS	60,8	+ 3,9	107
80% NPK microrganismos BENÉFICOS	63,3	+ 6,4	112

modalidades	análise foliar (g.Kg ⁻¹)		
	N	P	K
NPK	33,9	4,9	65,3
NPK microrganismos BENÉFICOS	34,8	5,0	68,8
80% NPK microrganismos BENÉFICOS	35,3	4,7	71,7





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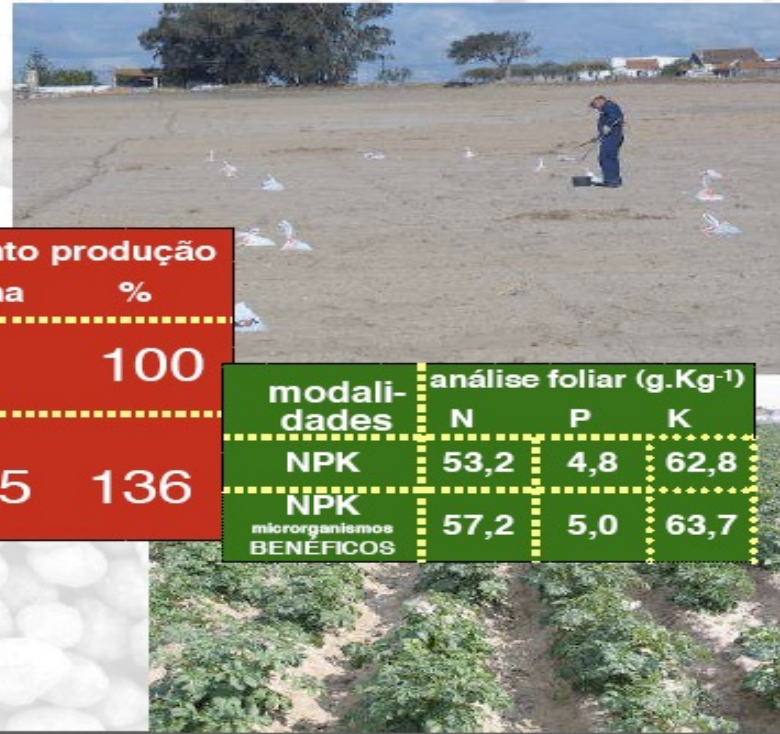


BATATA. Montijo. 2005.

Agricultor: Rui Afonso.

Solo: Areno-franco. pH: 6,1. MO: 1,3%
P₂O₅: 632 ppm K₂O: 84 ppm

Dose NPK: 1000 kg/ha de 6-20-18

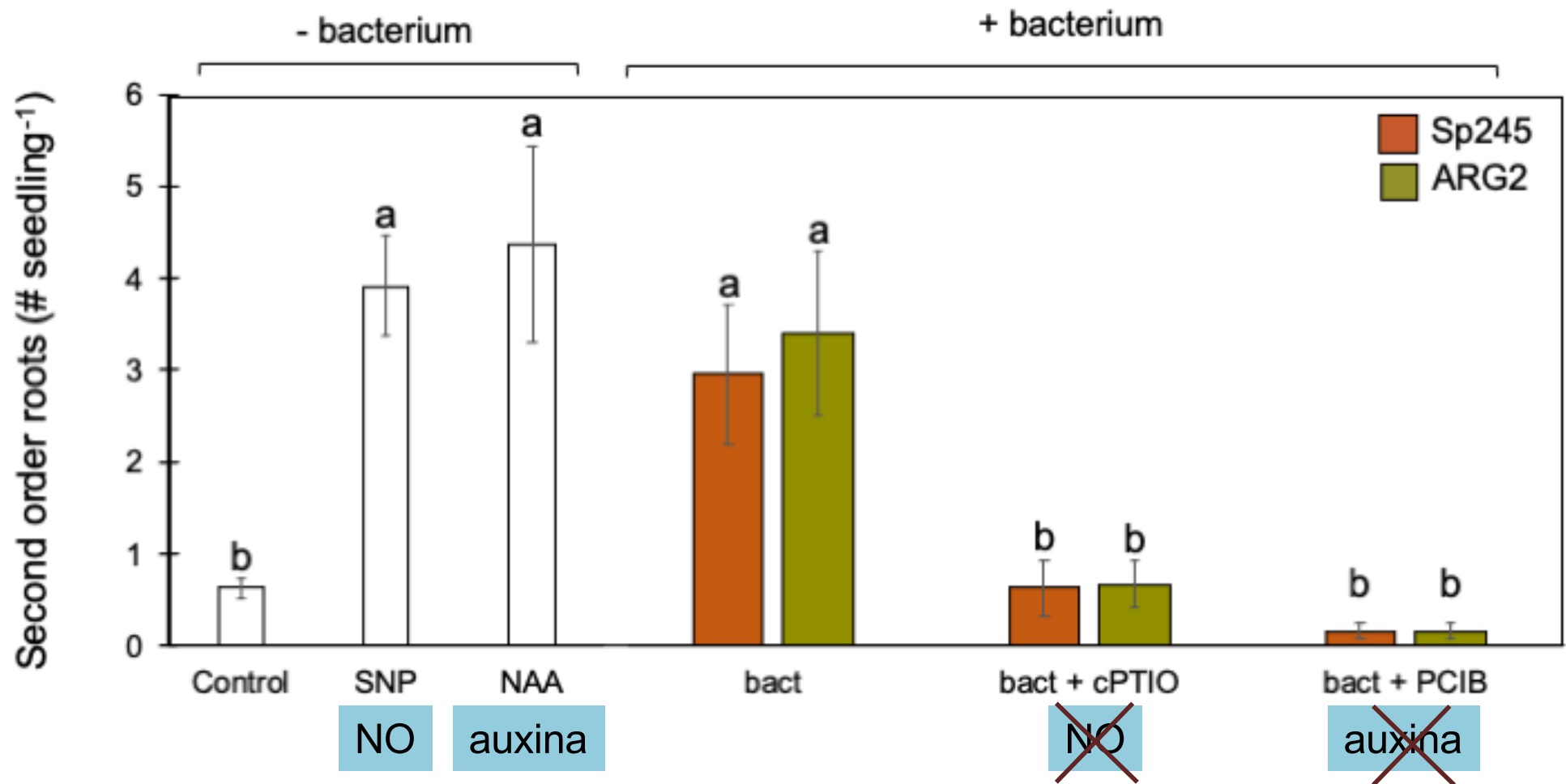


modalidades	produção t/ha	aumento produção t/ha	%
NPK	20,8		100
NPK microrganismos BENÉFICOS	28,3	+ 7,5	136

modalidades	análise foliar (g.Kg ⁻¹)		
	N	P	K
NPK	53,2	4,8	62,8
NPK microrganismos BENÉFICOS	57,2	5,0	63,7



Exemplo da produção de fitohormonas

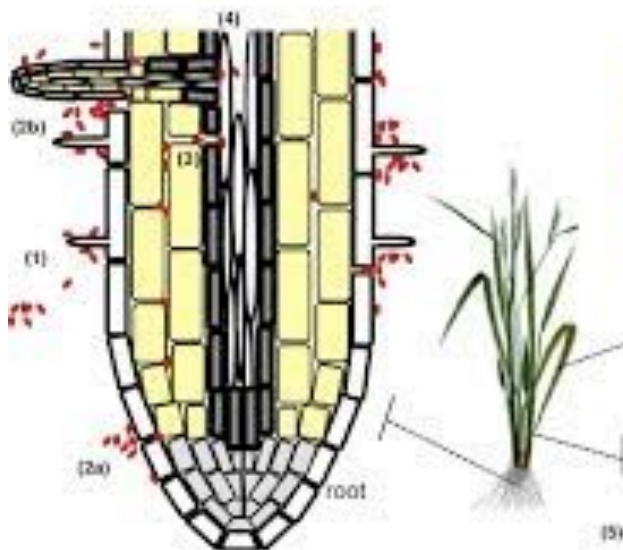


Plântulas de trigo inoculadas com 2 estirpes bacterianas (*Azospirillum brasilense*)

Ferreira, 2018



Exemplo do aumento de aquisição de nutrientes



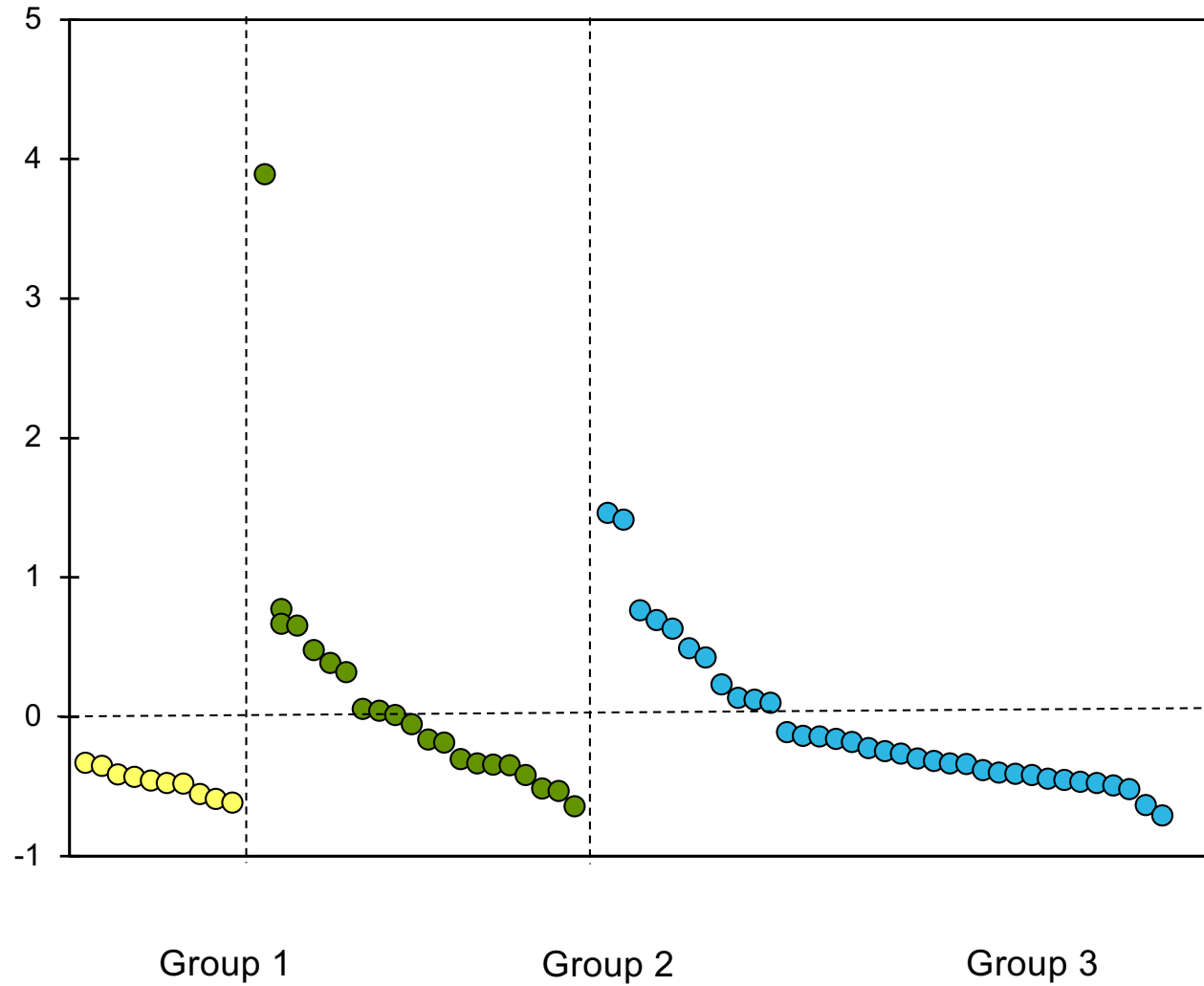
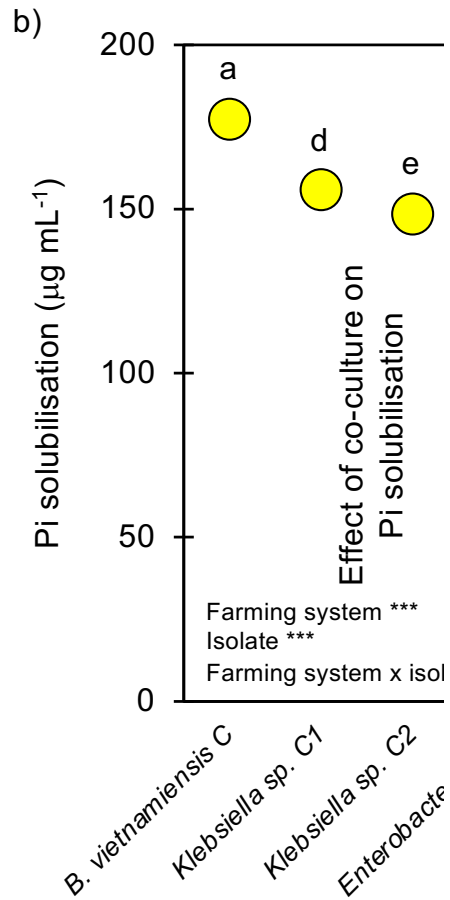
Plântulas de arroz inoculadas com uma estirpe bacteriana endofítica (*Herbaspirillum seropedicae*)

Table 1 Effect of *H. seropedicae* inoculation on rice shoot mineral contents and isotopic N signature ($\delta^{15}\text{N}$)

	Non-inoculated	Inoculated	Inoculation effect
Macronutrients (mg shoot⁻¹)			
N*	15 ± 1	33 ± 1	+ 120%
P*	1 ± 0	6 ± 1	+ 350%
K*	14 ± 1	77 ± 1	+ 430%
Ca*	4 ± 1	11 ± 1	+ 150%
Mg*	3 ± 0	6 ± 1	+ 110%
S*	2 ± 0	6 ± 1	+ 300%
Micronutrients (µg shoot⁻¹)			
Fe*	323 ± 12	576 ± 19	+ 80%
B*	15 ± 1	50 ± 2	+ 230%
Cu*	10 ± 1	39 ± 0	+ 280%
Mn*	682 ± 28	465 ± 17	- 30%
Mo*	0 ± 0	2 ± 0	+ 1020%
Ni*	11 ± 0	50 ± 1	+ 340%
Zn*	95 ± 13	3385 ± 193	+ 3460%
$\delta^{15}\text{N}^*$	- 2.7 ± 0.3	5.7 ± 0.5	Na



Exemplo do aumento de solubilização de P



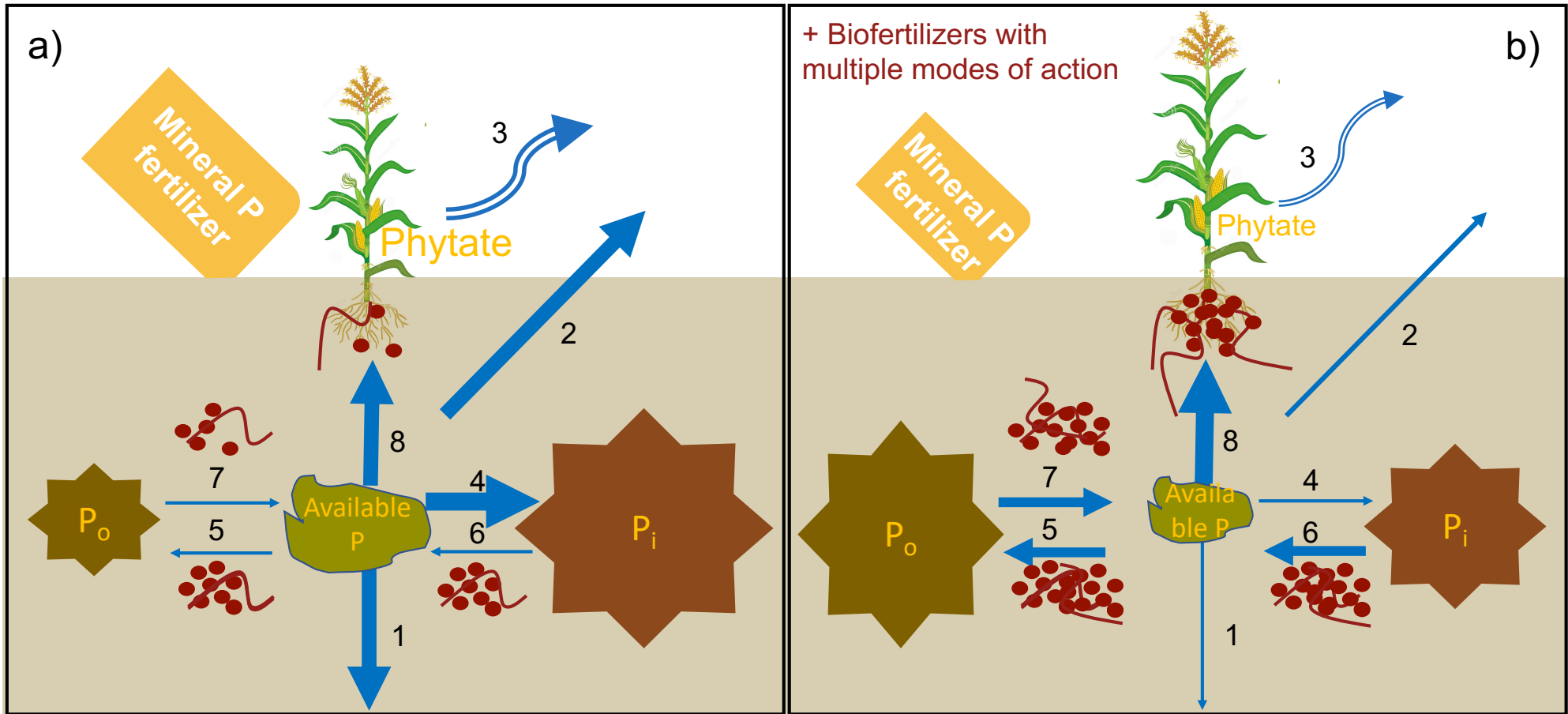


Exemplo dos biofertilizantes na gestão do P

Low

Soil functionality, resilience and sustainability

High



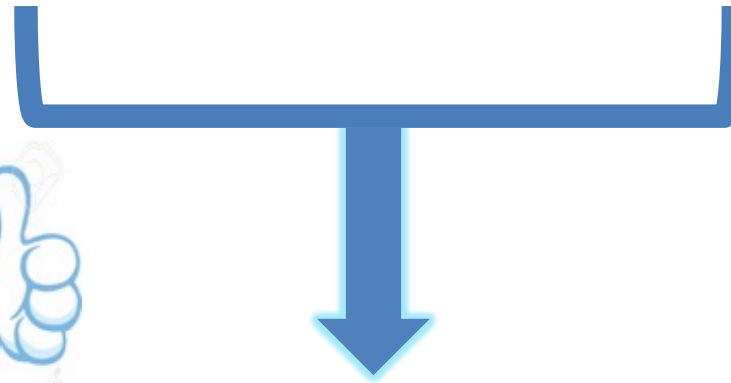


Biofertilizers

**Increase crop
productivity**



**Reduction in the
amount of
synthetic fertilizers**



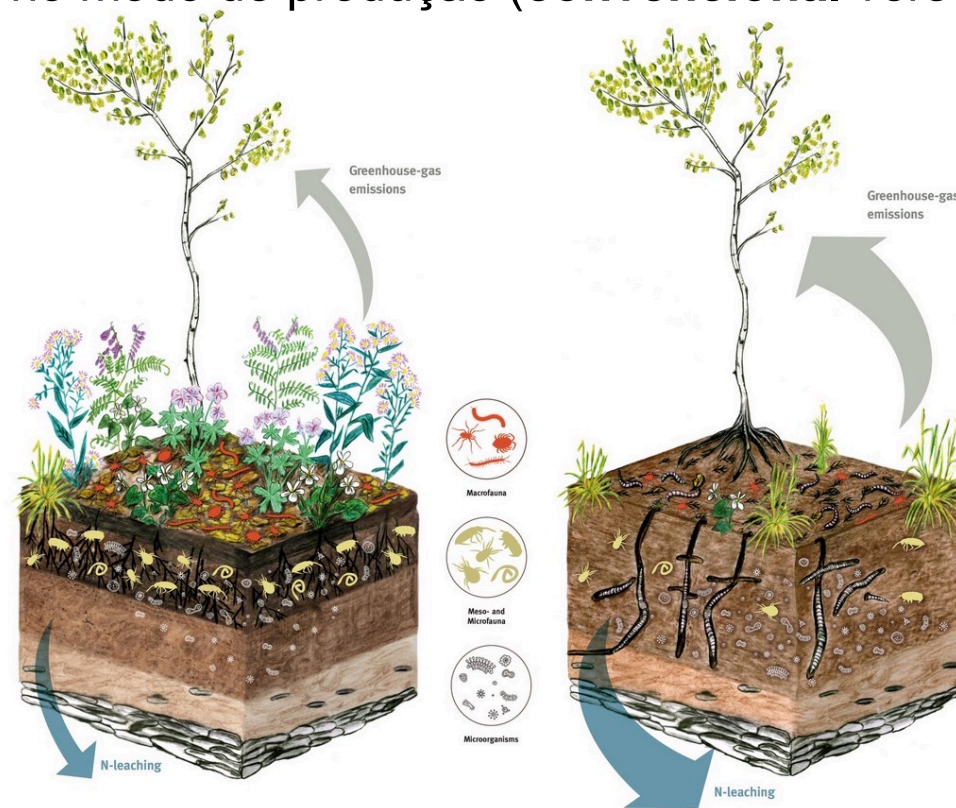
**Reduction of the Ecological
Footprint**



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Objetivo da aula prática de Nutrição

Realçar a importância no modo de produção (**convencional** versus **orgânico**):



1. No solo (cromatografia circular do solo)
2. Nas respostas fisiológicas da planta (SPAD) e consequentemente na qualidade alimentar (grau Brix e concentração de nitrato)

CROMATOGRAFIA CIRCULAR DO SOLO

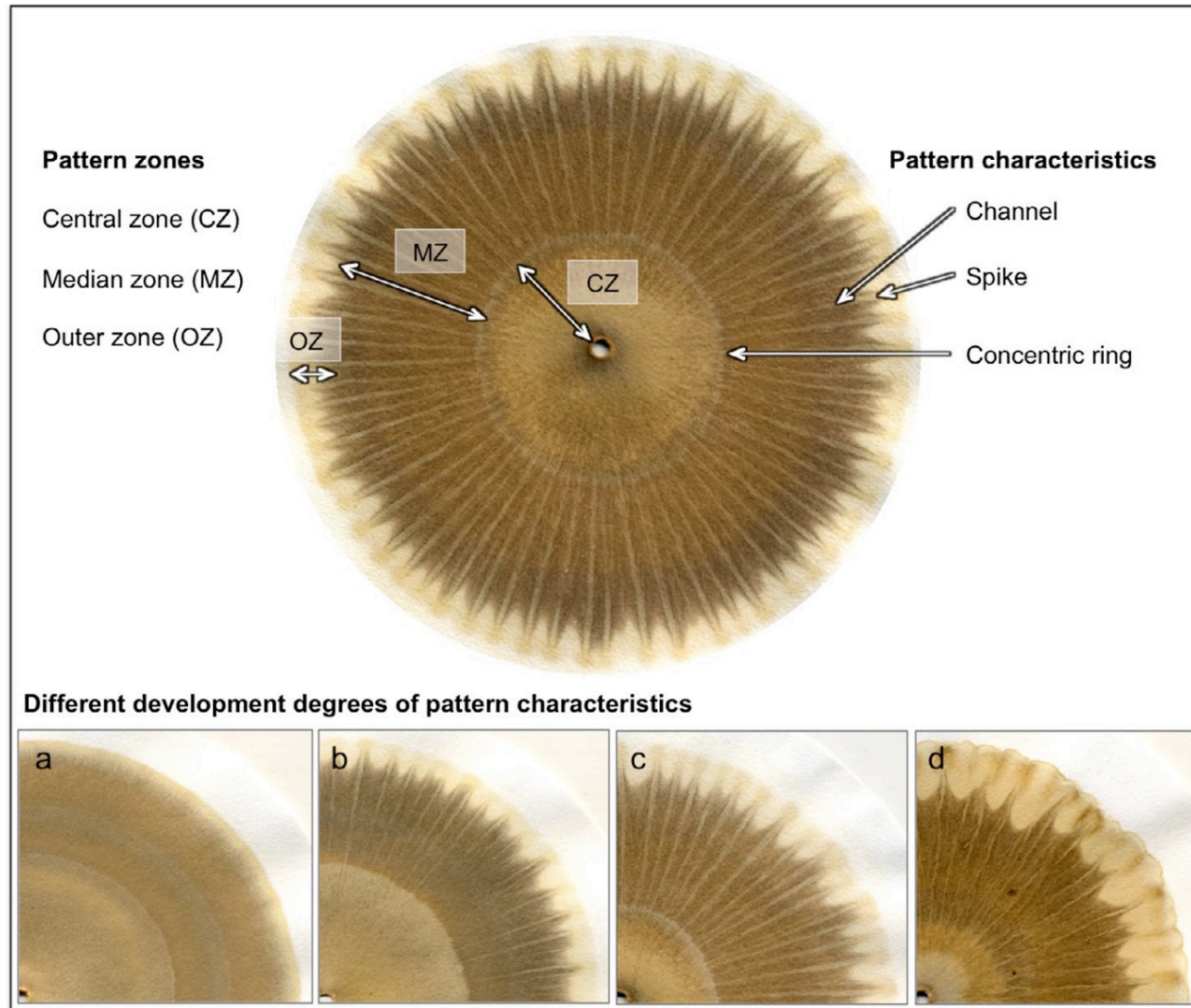
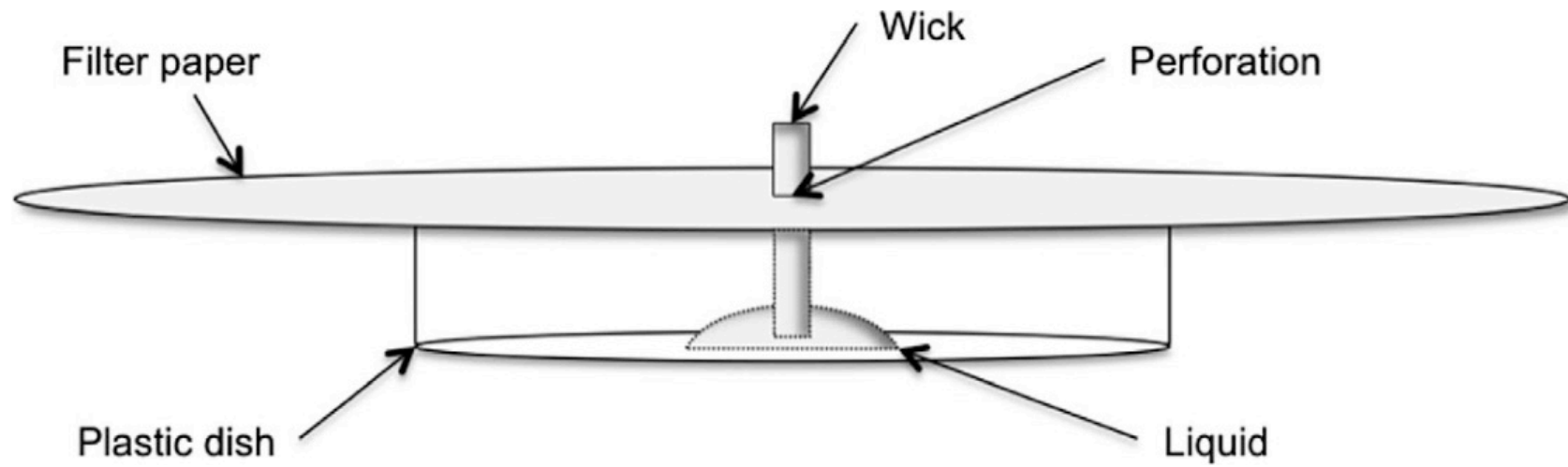


Figure 1. Exemplo de uma Cromatografia Circular, com indicação das várias zonas e padrões formados (no topo) e secções dos padrões (em baixo) ilustrando, de (a) a (d), um aumento no desenvolvimento de padrões radiais (isto é: canais e espigas), e intensidade da cor, e uma diminuição dos padrões concêntricos (isto é: anéis concêntricos). From: Kokornaczyk et al., 2017

CROMATOGRAFIA CIRCULAR DO SOLO





Parâmetro fisiológico não destrutivo

Soil Plant Analysis Development (SPAD)



The meter works by emitting two frequencies of light, one at a wavelength of 660 nm (red) and one at 940 nm (infrared).

Leaf chlorophyll absorbs red light but not infrared, the difference in absorption is measured by the meter and termed “**Optical Density Difference,**” ODD.

Therefore, the unit of measurement is ODD, a ratio that is provided by the meter. The value does not give an actual chlorophyll or nitrate content.



SPAD

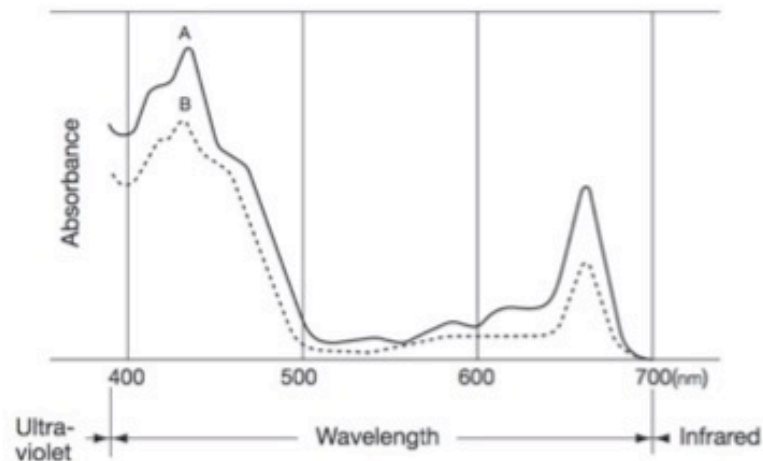
Theory

The SPAD-502Plus determines the relative amount of chlorophyll present by measuring the absorbance of the leaf in two wavelength regions.

The graph below shows the spectral absorbance of chlorophyll extracted from two leaf samples using 80% acetone.

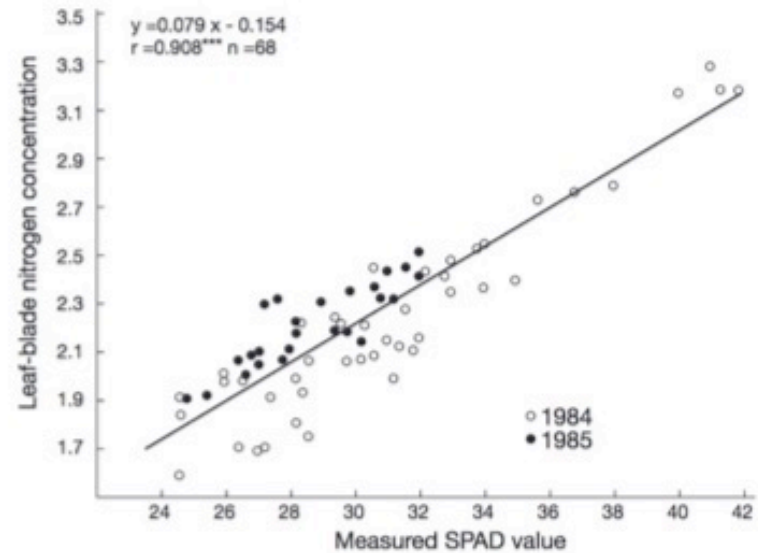
From the diagram, it can be seen that chlorophyll has absorbance peaks in the blue (400-500 nm) and red (600-700 nm) regions, with no absorbance in the near-infrared region.

To take advantage of this characteristic of chlorophyll, the SPAD-502Plus measures the absorbances of the leaf in the red and near-infrared regions. Using these two absorbances, the meter calculates a numerical SPAD value which is proportional to the amount of chlorophyll present in the leaf.



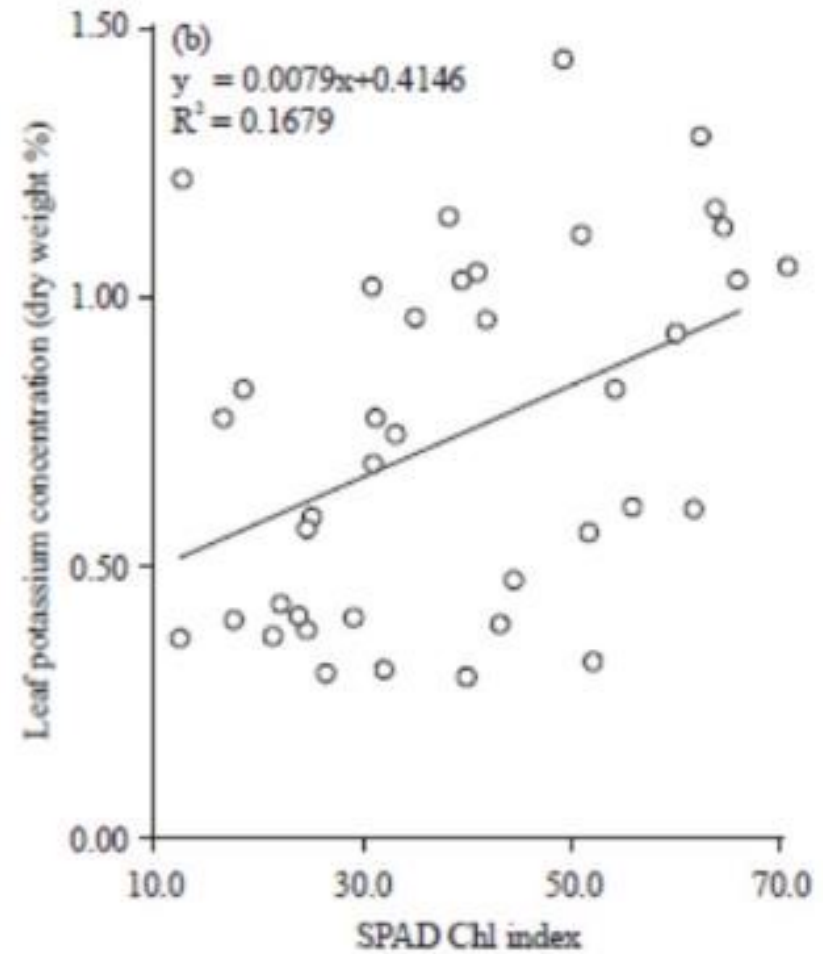
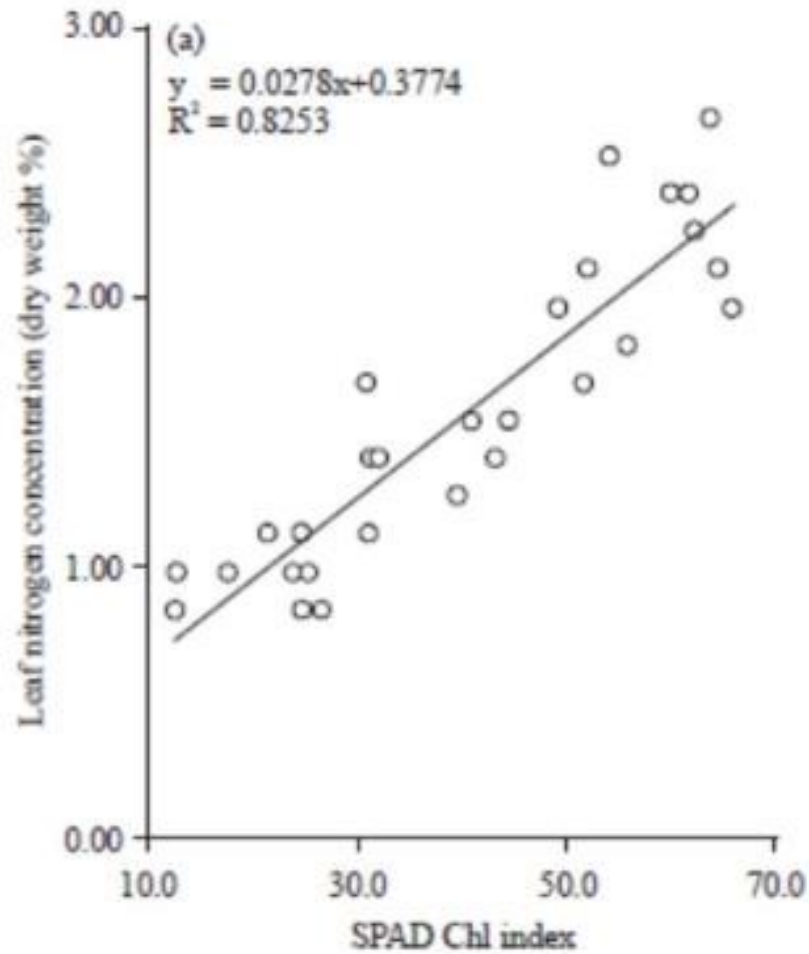
Checking the nutritional condition of plants

The chlorophyll present in the plant leaves is closely related to the nutritional condition of the plant. As can be seen from the graph below, the chlorophyll content (represented by the measured SPAD value) will increase in proportion to the amount of nitrogen (an important plant nutrient) present in the leaf. For a particular plant species, a higher SPAD value indicates a healthier plant.





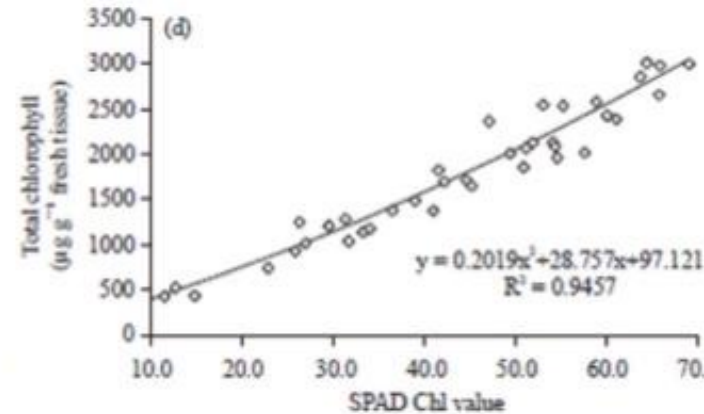
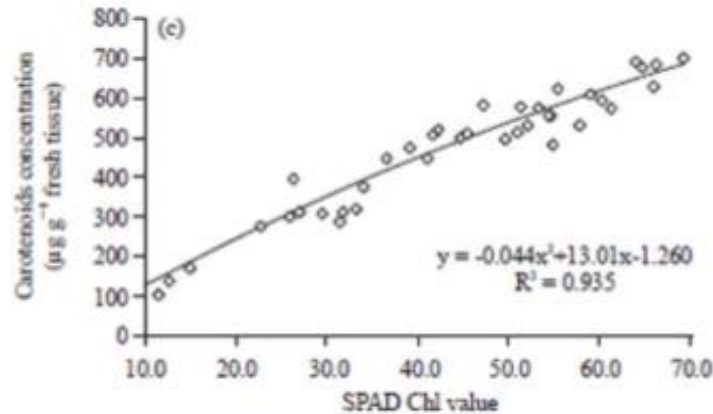
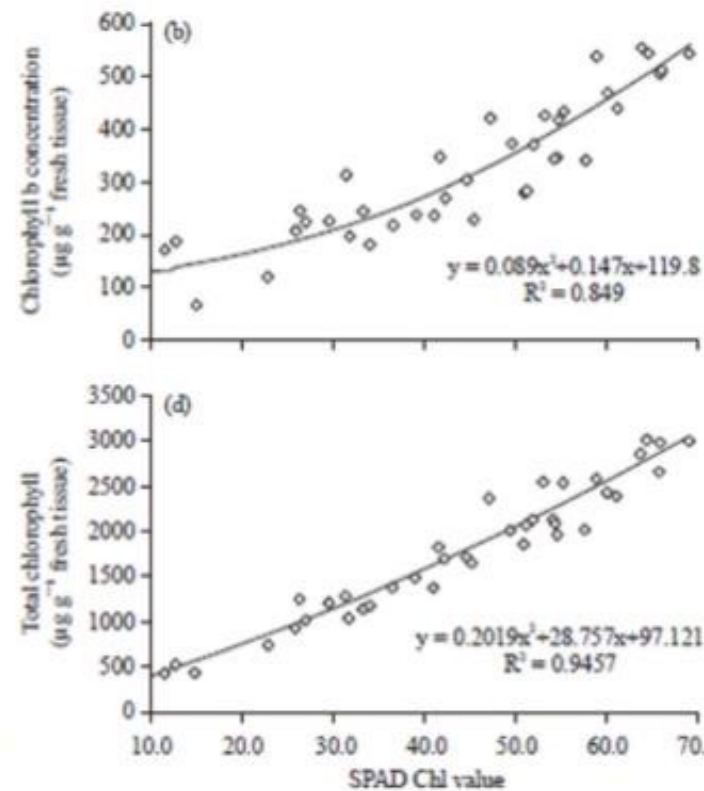
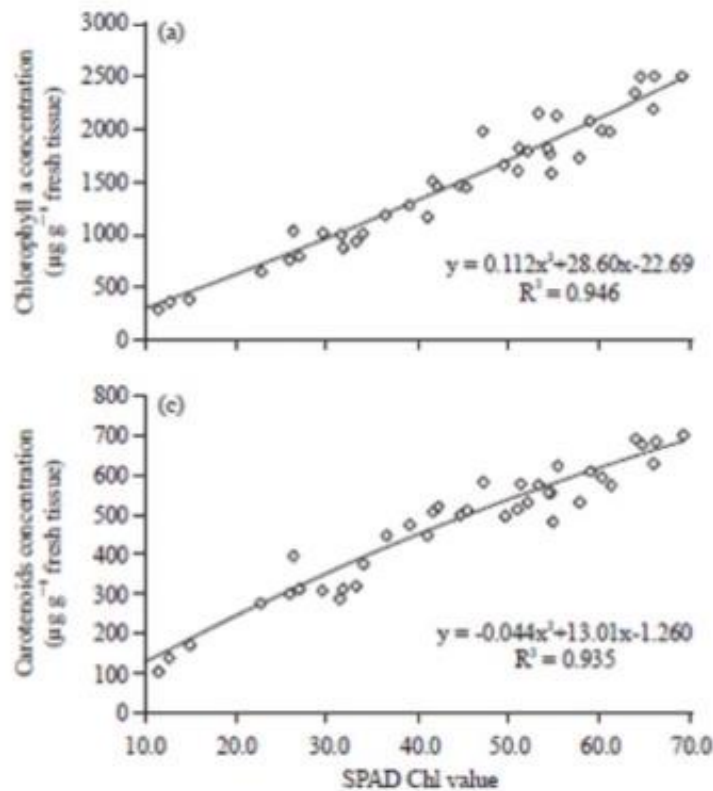
SPAD



O SPAD relaciona-se com o N mas não com o K.



SPAD



Se esta curva representar a relação entre o valor de SPAD e a concentração de N na folha de alface (*Lactuca sativa*), qual será a concentração de N das folhas nos distintos tratamentos experimentais da aula Prática?

Há diferenças entre os tratamentos?
Será necessário proceder a fertilização?
Será um valor de alerta para nitratos?



Parâmetro de qualidade alimentar destrutivo: grau Brix

Brix (Sólidos totais solúveis)

É um refratômetro (ideal para medições quer em laboratório, quer em campo).

É um instrumento ótico que utiliza a medição do índice de refração para determinar o conteúdo de açúcar de soluções aquosas em % Brix.



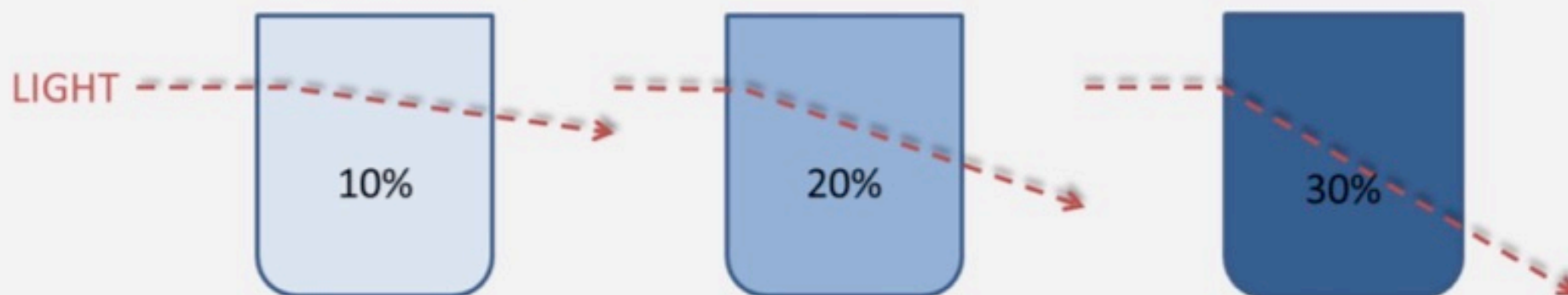


Grau Brix

What is Brix (Sólidos totais solúveis)?

Refractive Index

Refractive Index (RI) is the tendency of light to bend as it passes through a liquid. A beaker of pure water will bend light that passes through it. As solids are dissolved in a beaker of water, light will increasingly bend as the concentration increases.



BRIX: History and Application

BRIX is a unit of measurement of refractive index, in the same way Fahrenheit or Celsius is a measurement of temperature. In both circumstances the properties of real world materials were used to devise a continuous scale of measurement. In the case of Fahrenheit, the properties of water were used to come up with a scale based on its thermal behavior. The two ends of the scale were divided by 180°F, yielding 32°F for water's freezing point and 212°F for its boiling point.

In the case of BRIX, sugar (sucrose) solutions were used to develop the scale. Arbitrarily, the refractive index of pure water (RI=1.333) was simply defined as "0" BRIX. The rest of the scale was calibrated to be read directly as percent Sucrose (i.e. BRIX). This was a convenient reference, as it was used to monitor when fruit had ripened and was ready for harvesting. Today, the BRIX scale is commonly used in the food industry for measuring the approximate amount of sugars in fruits, vegetables, juices, wine and soft drinks. It also finds use in the metalworking industry as a convenient way to check water-based lubricant concentration.



Grau Brix

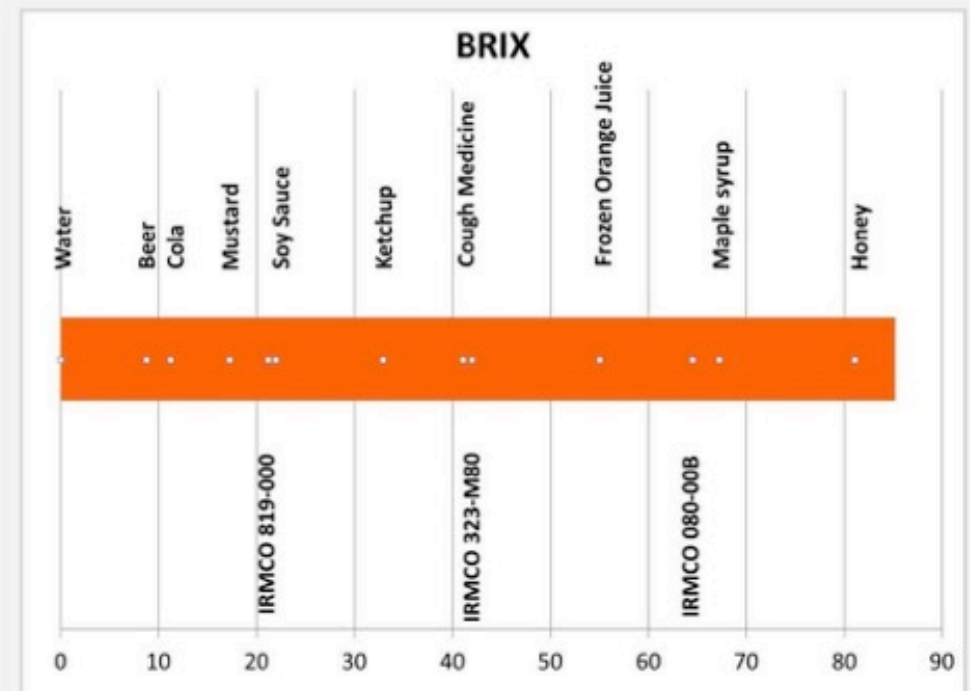
Measurement

Because of the widespread availability of handheld refractometers, measuring the BRIX value of a fluid is easy. However, not all solids bend light to the same degree. The actual concentration of a given fluid must be calibrated to relate to BRIX by the manufacturer. A conversion factor or Brix table should be provided for each product.

The first major deadline was December 1, 2013. All Employers that handle chemicals were required to train their employees about the upcoming changes being made to the 29 CFR 1910.1200 Hazard Communication Standard. MSDSs and labels were not required to change at this time. It is expected to take approximately 18 months after the initial training deadline for chemical manufacturers and distributors to fully reformat their current product labels and MSDSs to the GHS format.

Interpretation

Not all solids are equal! In metalworking, BRIX is quite handy for monitoring dilutions but it is less useful for comparing two different fluids. Depicted to the right are several fluids and their BRIX values. It is important to understand that although BRIX can be related to concentration, it says nothing about the nature of the solids. Put another way, a 64 BRIX could be a highly additized synthetic lubricant concentrate - or, it could be maple syrup. A 32 BRIX could be a 1:1 mixture of that same lubricant - or it could be ketchup. One would be suitable for working metal - and the other would crash your die.





Parâmetro de qualidade alimentar destrutivo: concentração de nitrato

[NO₃⁻]: Eléctrodo selectivo de NO₃⁻



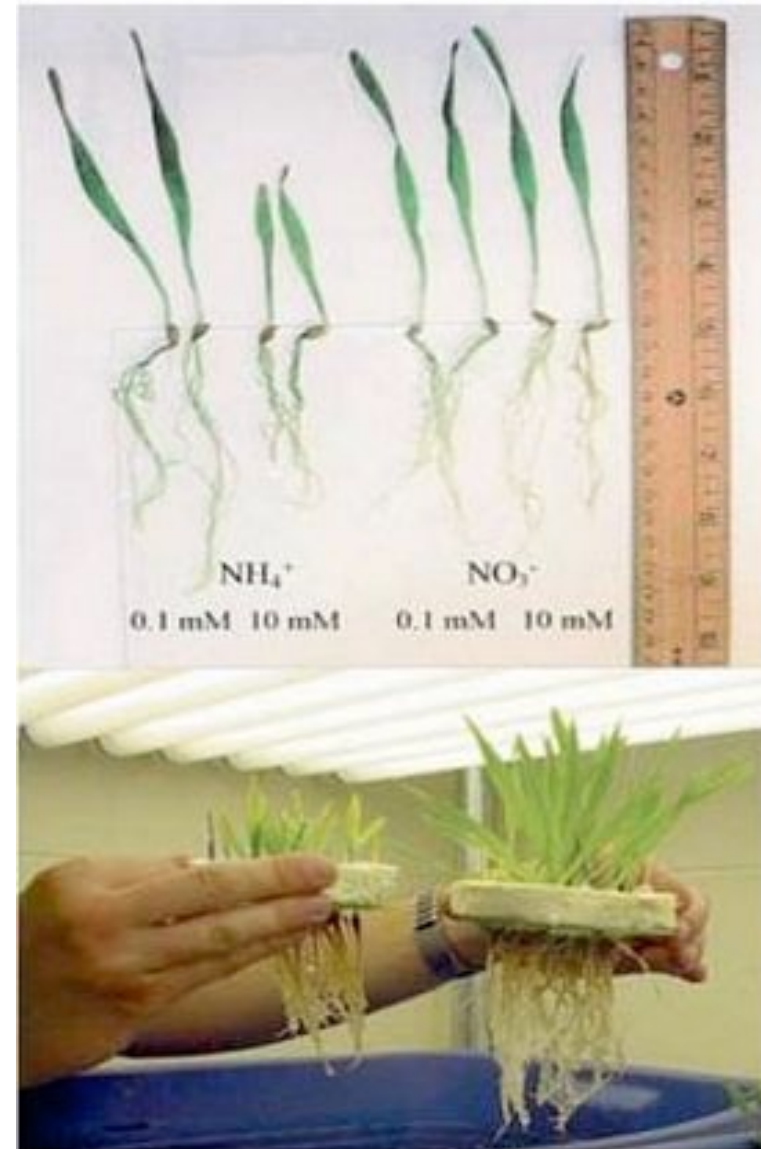


Concentração de nitrato

$[\text{NO}_3^-]$: Eléctrodo selectivo de NO_3^-

N is essential for good growth and high yields, especially in a plants early growth stage. It is therefore very important to be able to accurately measure how much nitrogen you need for your soil, your fertilizers, in the leaves of your plant.

Main forms of N taken up by plants: NH_4^+ and NO_3^-

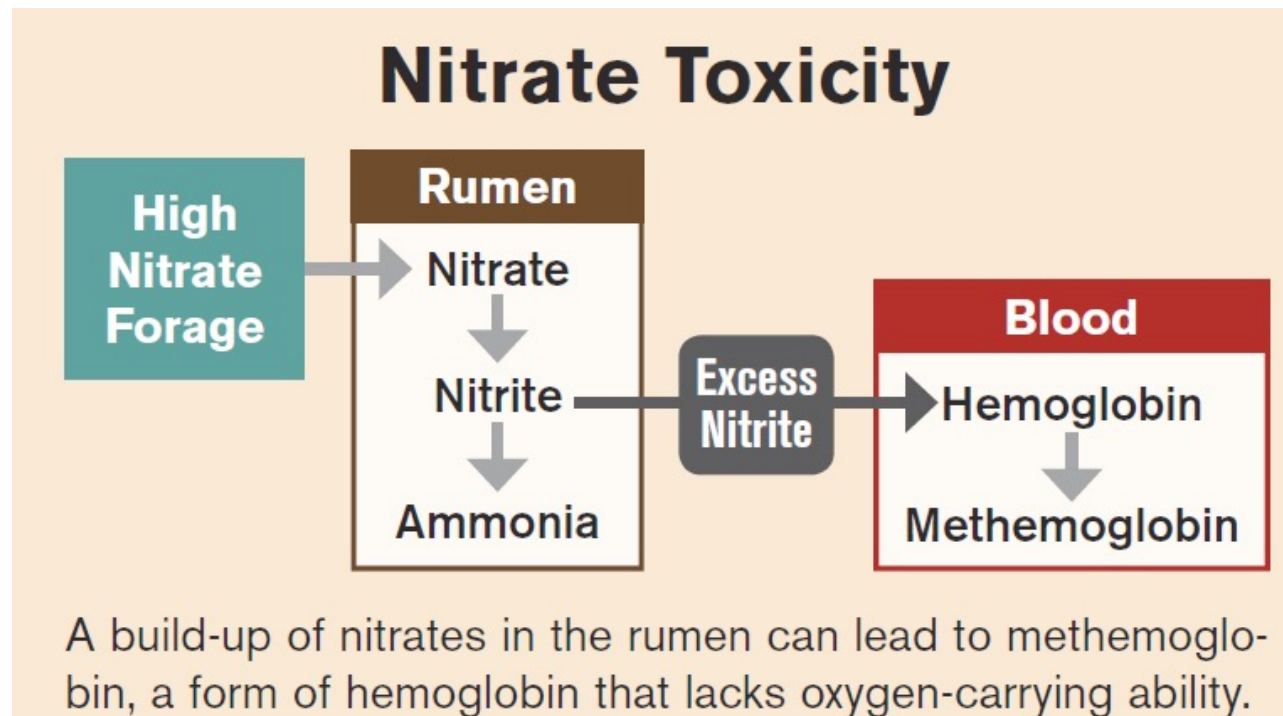




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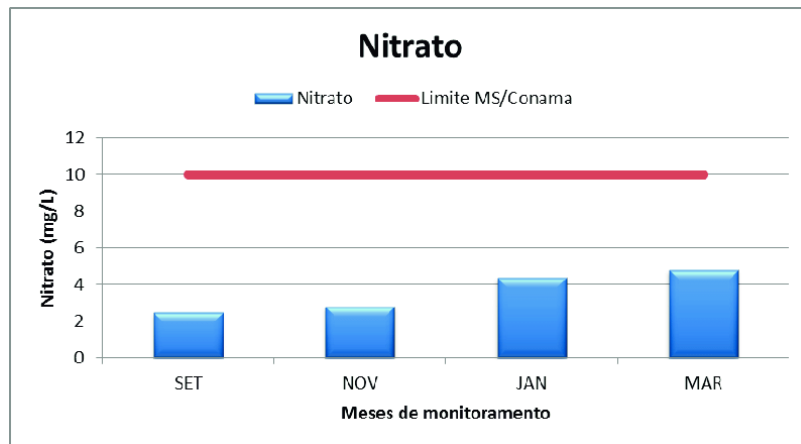
However, too much N in human and animal feed can cause NO₃⁻ poisoning and has been associated with cancer, so it is also important for health purposes to be able to measure NO₃⁻ content of your foods.





Concentração de nitrato

[NO₃⁻]: Eléctrodo selectivo de NO₃⁻



Muito baixo (< 200)	Baixo (200-500)	Médio (500-1000)	Alto (1000-2500)	Muito alto (>2500)
Alcachofra	Abóbora	Couve	Aipo vermelho	Agrião
Alho	Bróculos	Couve-Sabóia	Alho francês	Aipo
Batata	Cenoura	Endro	Endívias	Alface
Cebola	Couve-flôr	Nabo	Funcho	Espinafre
Cogumelos	Pepino		Rábano	Rabanete
Ervilha			Salsa	
Espargos				

Directiva água: **10 ppm**

Produtos hortícolas: varia
Máx. 5000 ppm



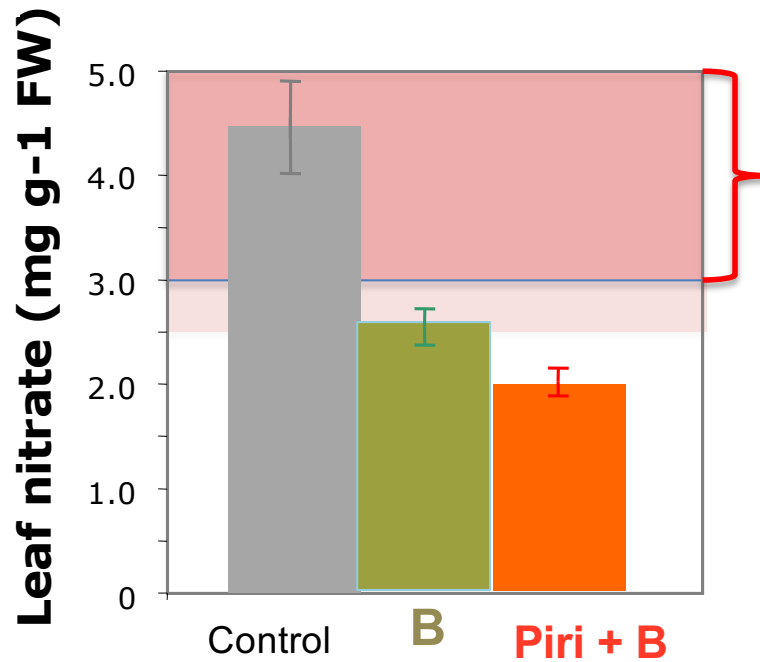
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Concentração de nitrato

response of spinach to soil inoculant

Leaf nitrate



Not for sale = money lost

Regulation CE n°1881/2006

Nitrate is a normal component of the human diet (average daily intake 75 mg.

Upon ingestion, $\pm 5\%$ of the nitrate is reduced to nitrite by bacteria

When the pH of the gastric fluid is high (>5) nitrate-reducing bacteria increase and more N-nitroso compounds can be formed.

Treatments



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Applied soil ecology may help filling the productivity gap

