



Quel rôle des microorganismes dans la chimie des nuages ? le cas de H_2O_2

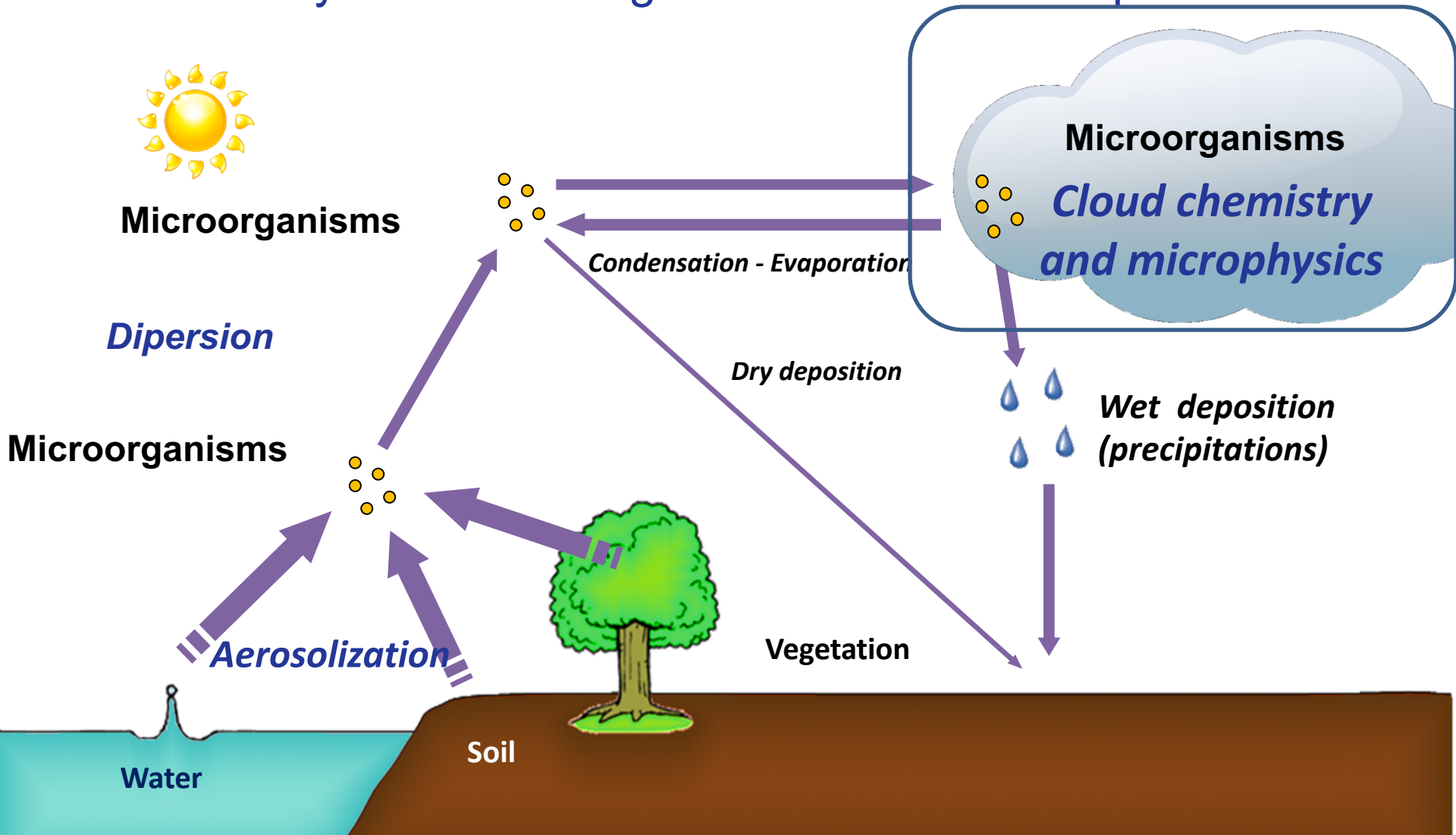
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Microorganisms in clouds

The cycle of microorganisms *via* the atmosphere



Cloud sampling at the puy de Dôme station (1465 m asl)

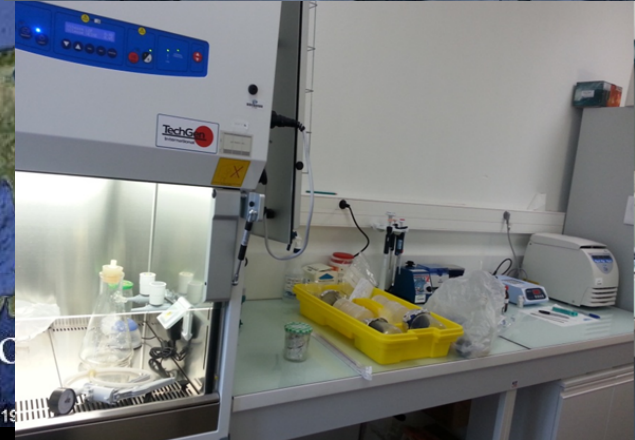


FRANCE

Puy de Dôme
(1465m)



GAW (Global Atmospheric Watch)
ACTRIS



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Altitude 1146.15m

Microorganisms in clouds

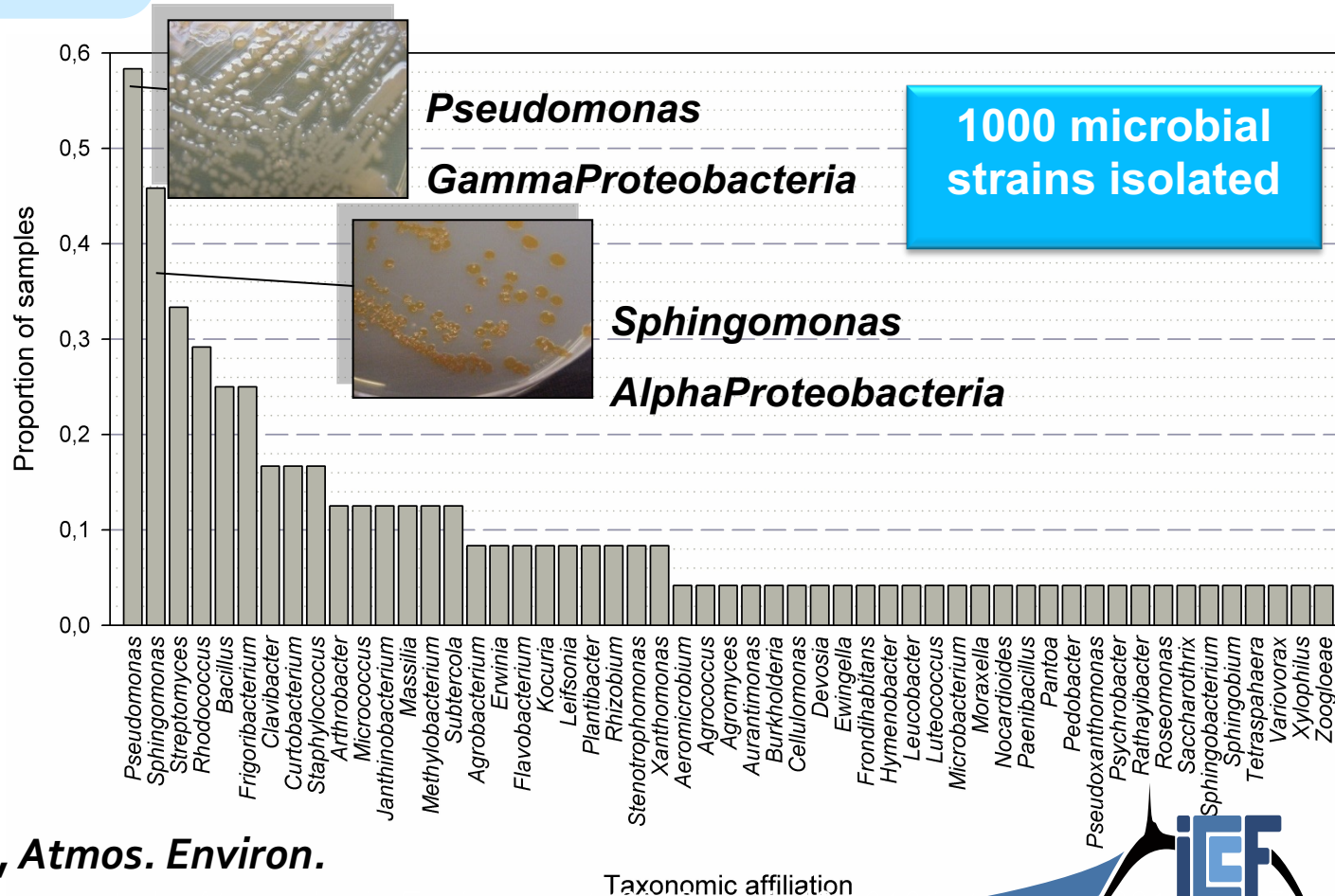
Fungal spores and yeasts:

$\sim 10^2 - \sim 10^4$ cells mL⁻¹

Bacteria:

$\sim 10^4 - \sim 10^5$ cells mL⁻¹

Frequency of bacterial genera (cultivated)

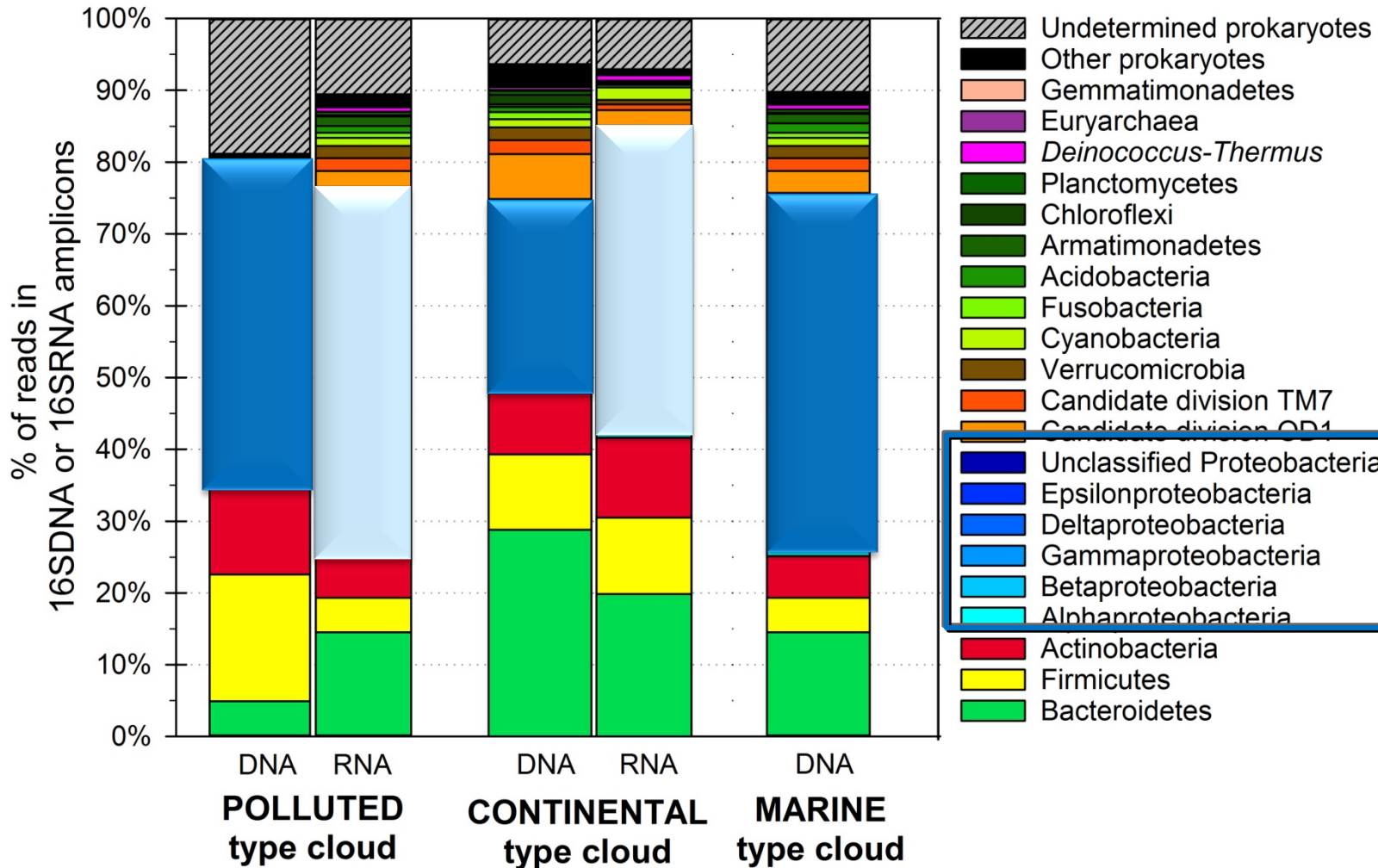


Vaitilingom et al., Atmos. Environ.
56:88-100, 2012

Metabolic activity in clouds

(Metagenomics and Metatranscriptomic)

A- PROKARYOTES



PROTEOBACTERIA

Proteobacteria are the most active

Cloud chemistry



Photochemistry
(Gaseous / aqueous / Surface)
Photolytic processes

Mass transfer
Gas \rightleftharpoons liquid

Soluble chemicals – reactive
(Oxidants, VOCs, ...)

CCN

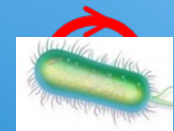
Organic Matter

$\cdot\text{OH}$

$\text{NO}_3\cdot$

Oxidant species
 H_2O_2 , Fe

Reactivity



?

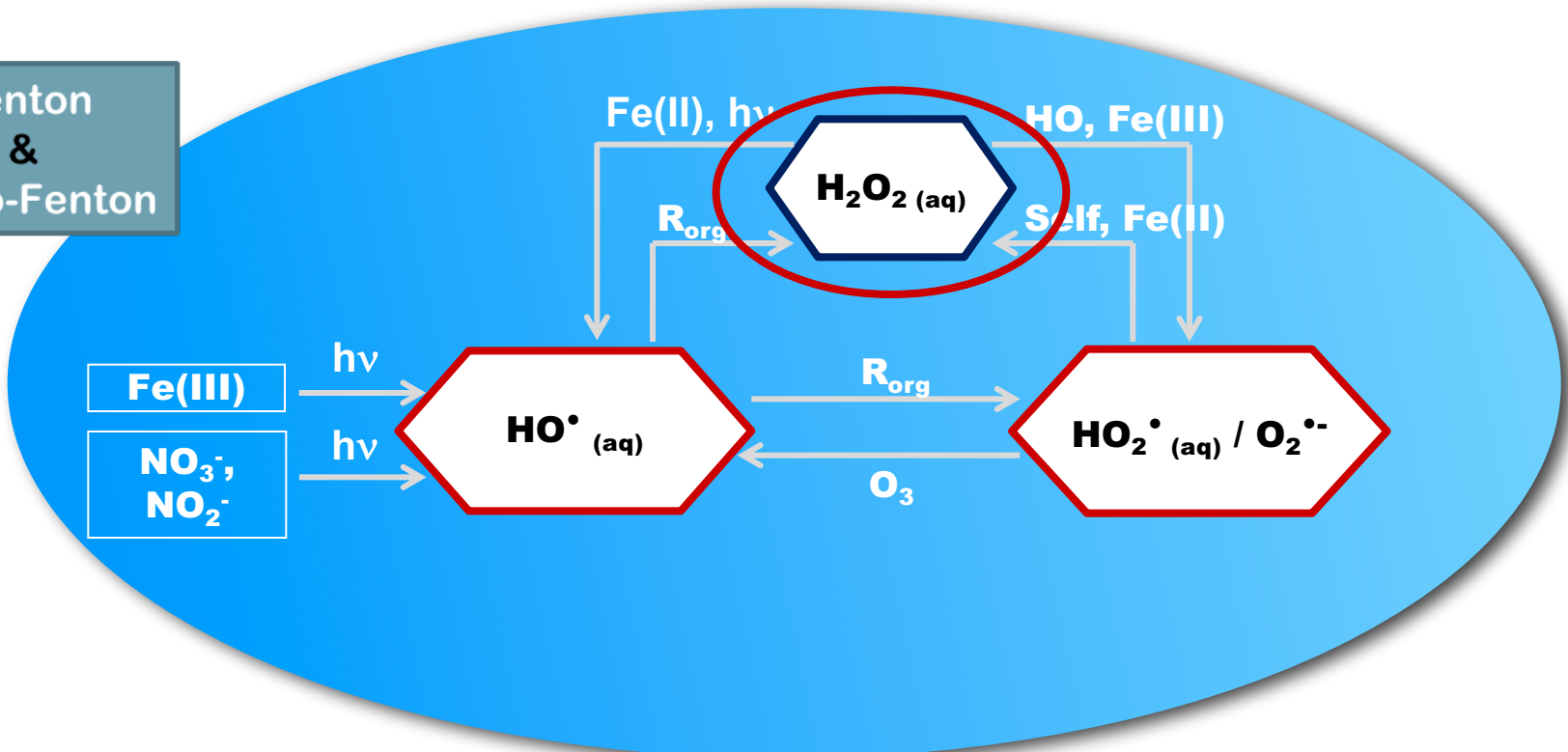


Precipitation

Evaporation
of chemical
species

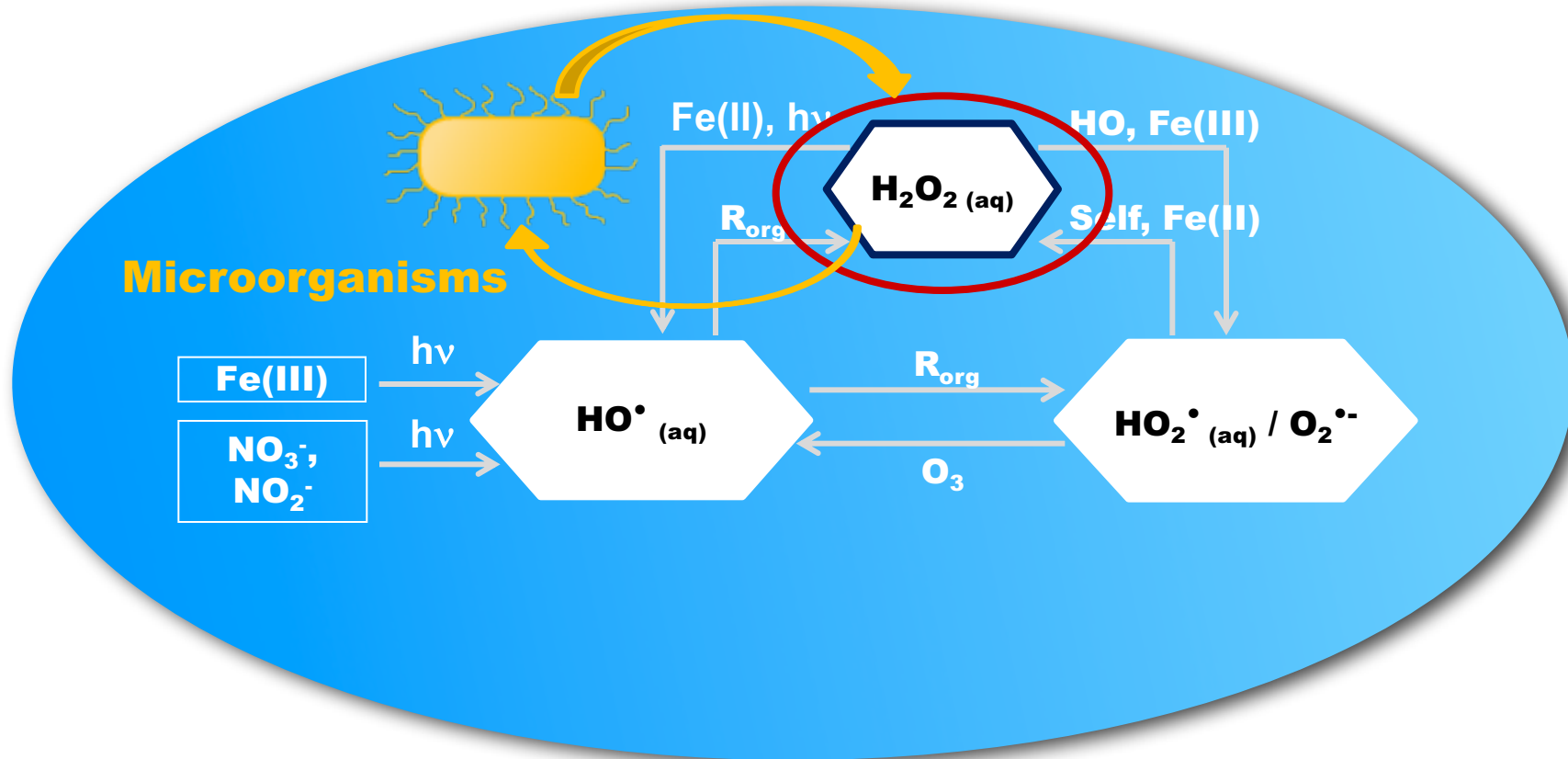
Importance of H_2O_2 in the cloud water phase chemistry

Fenton
&
Photo-Fenton



- ❑ Key component of the atmosphere :main source of radicals
- ❑ Reveals the oxidant capacity of the atmosphere
- ❑ Concentrations min-max : 0 – 167 μM 0 – 58 μM puy de Dôme
- ❑ H_2O_2 is impacted by a wide variety of environmental parameters
(Photolytic activity = daily and seasonal strong variations, Temperature...)

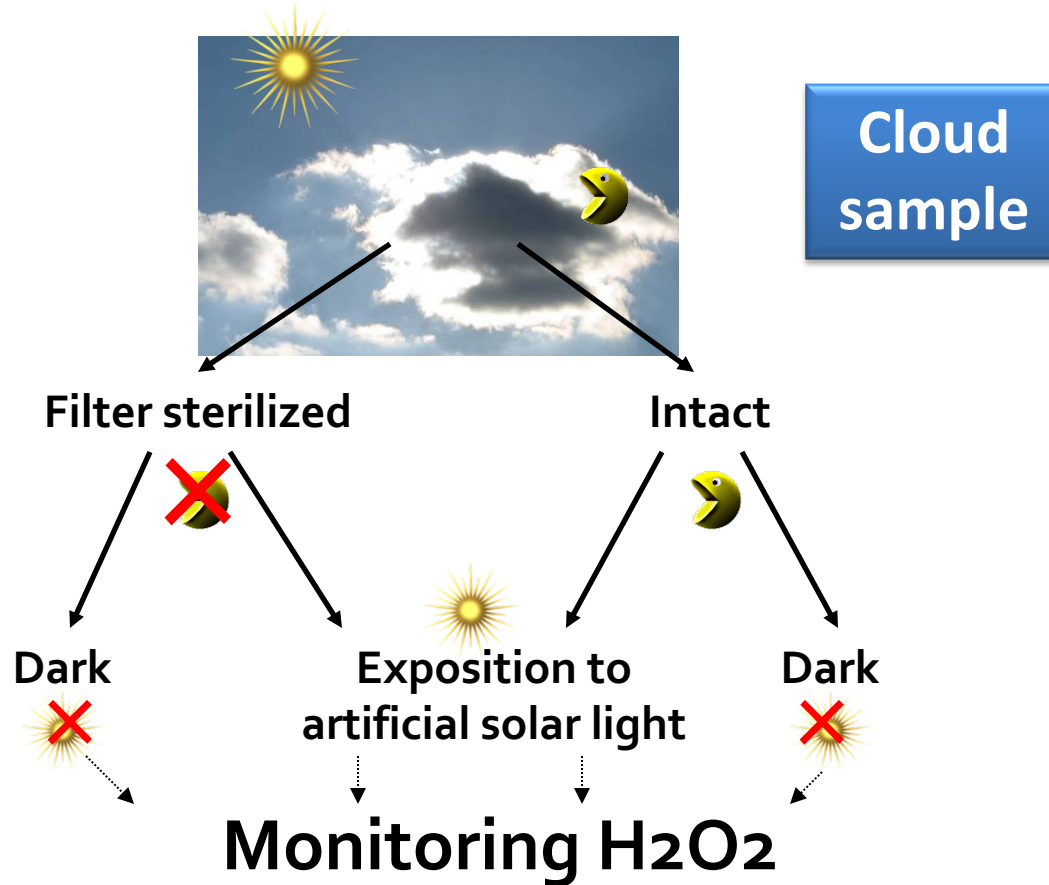
Microorganisms / H₂O₂ Interactions



Objectives of the work:

- What is the impact of cloud microorganisms on H₂O₂?
- What is the impact of H₂O₂ on cloud microorganisms ?

In lab experiments using real cloud samples



12° C

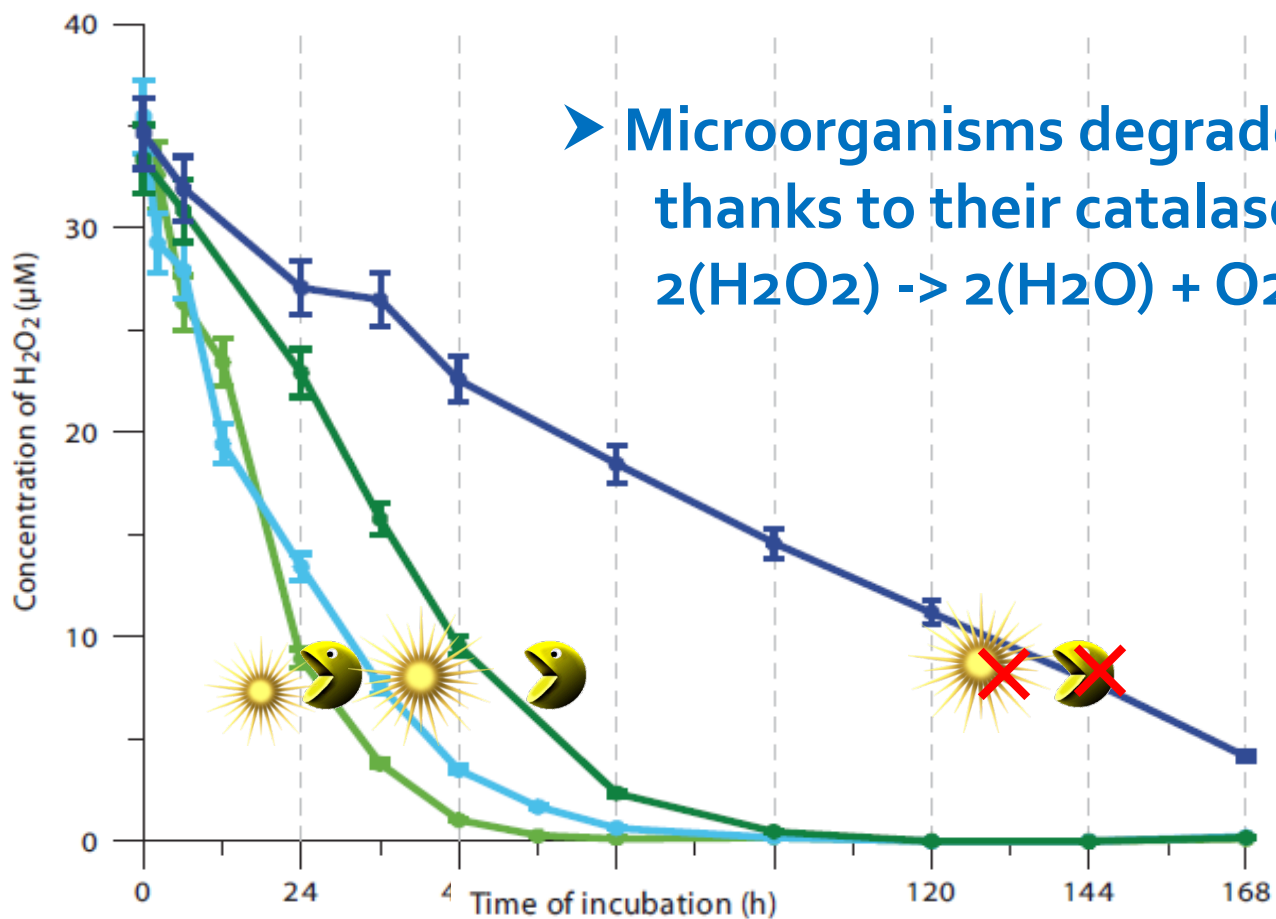
Photo-Bioreactor

Vaithilingom et al., *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*
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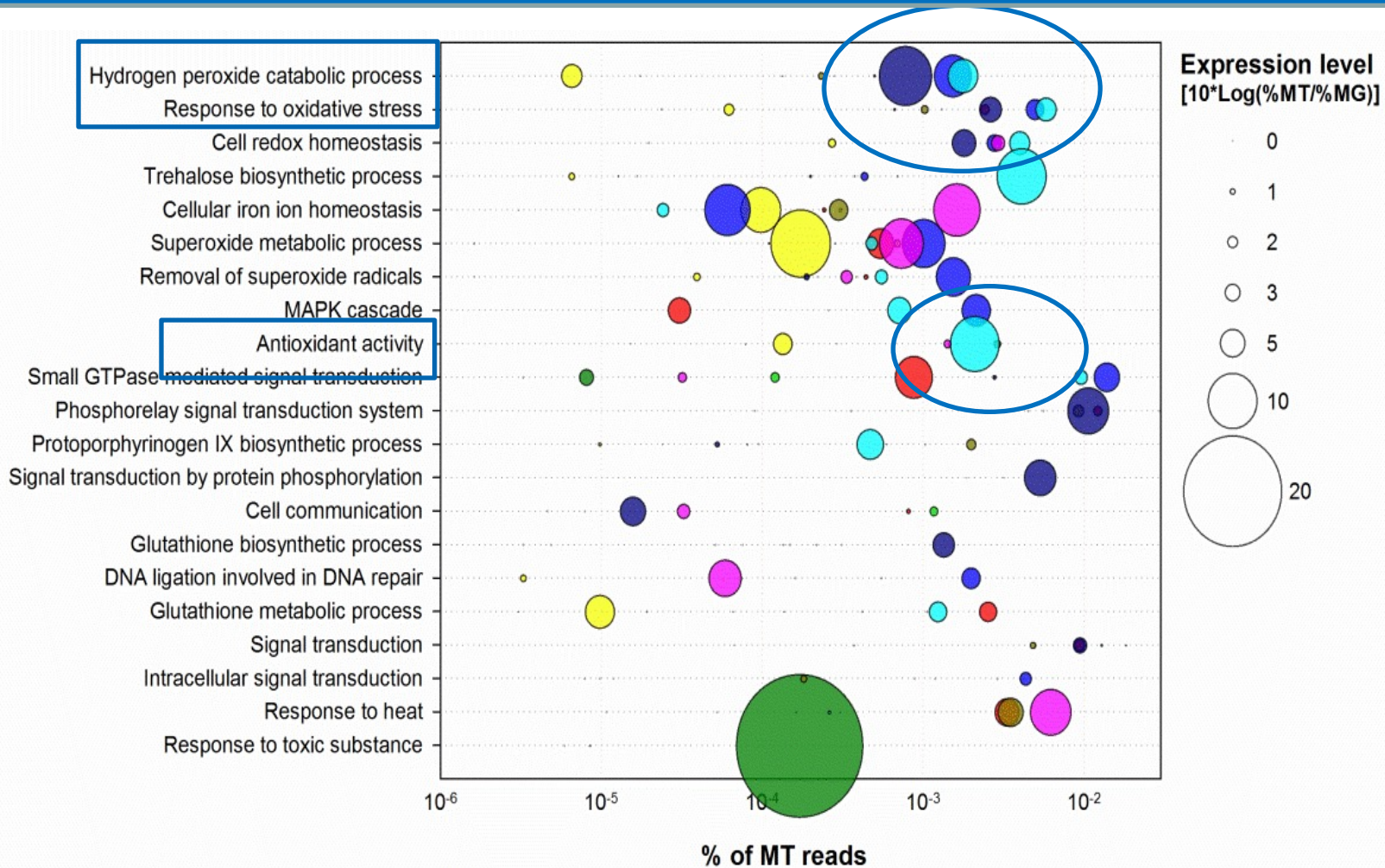
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In lab experiments using real cloud samples

Degradation of H₂O₂



In cloud activity: H₂O₂ and anti-oxidants (Metatranscriptomics)



Biome



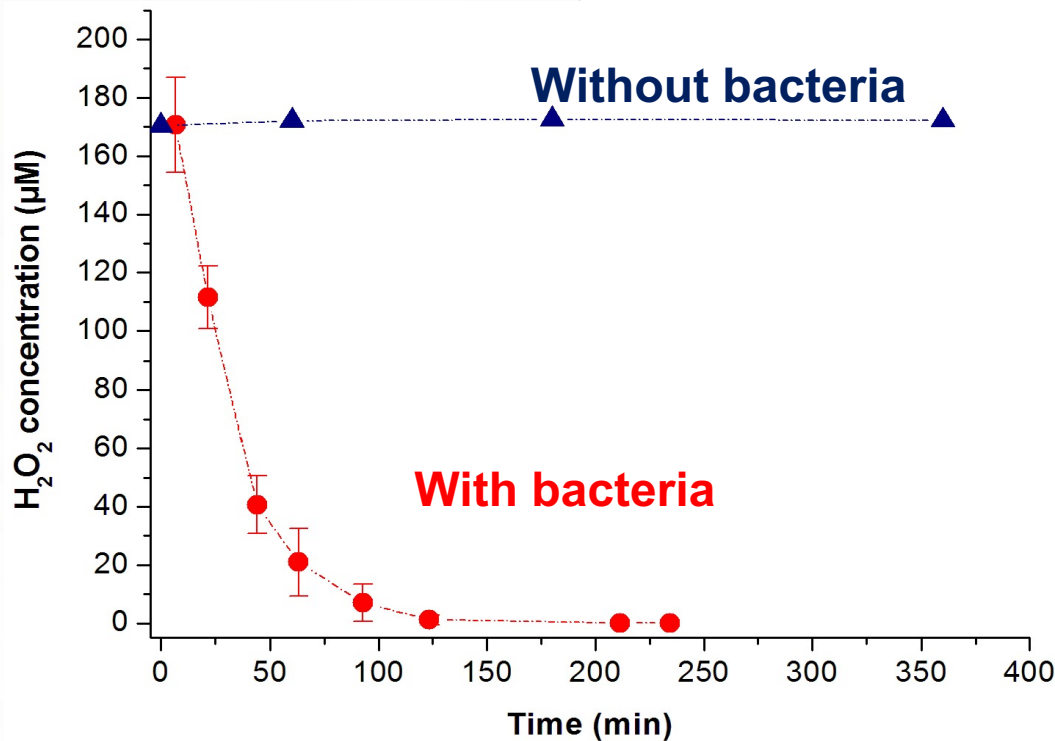
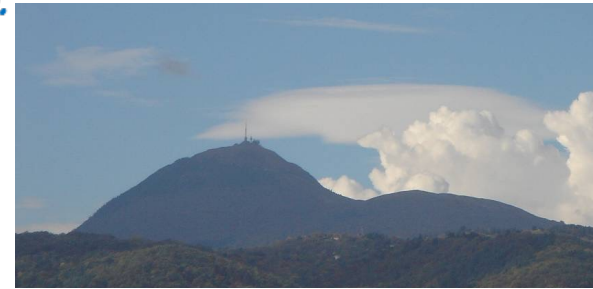
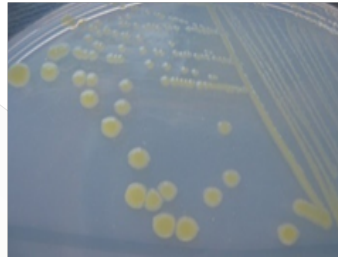
**Amato et al.,
Scientific Reports
2019**

Biotransformation of H₂O₂ by cloud isolates

Spingomonas sp.

Pseudomonas graminis

Pseudomonas sp.



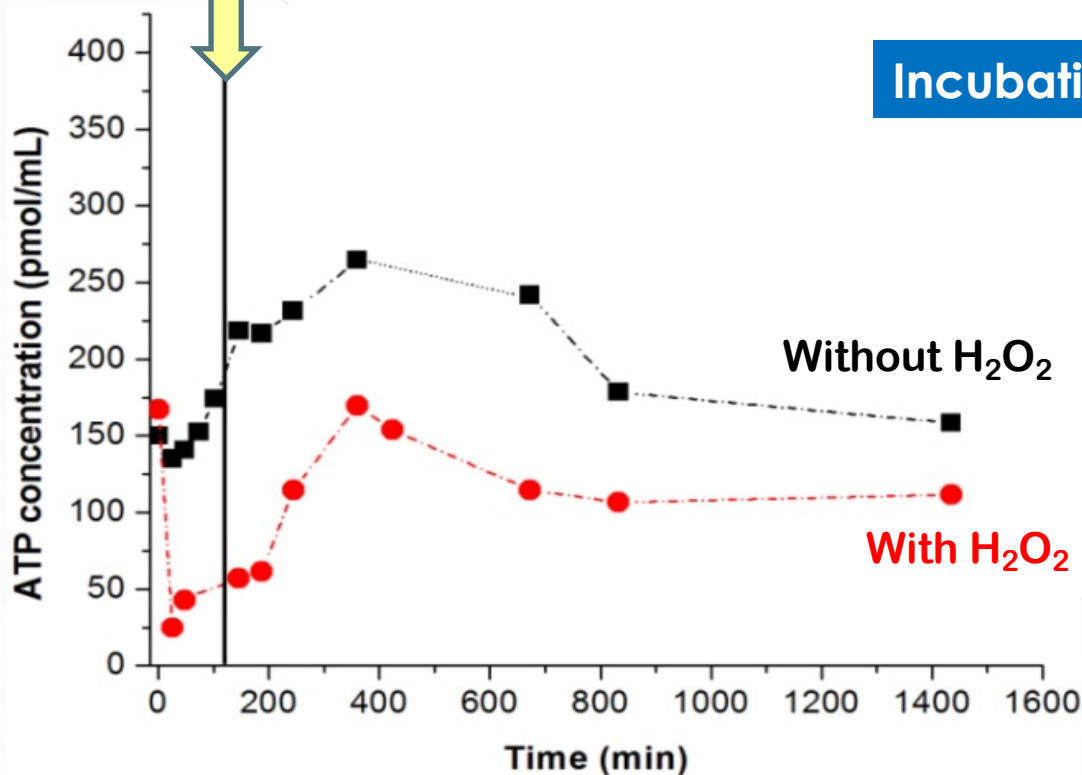
Bacterial strains isolated from clouds sampled at the puy de Dôme station (1465 m, France)

Wirgot et al.,
Atmos. Chem. Phys. 2017

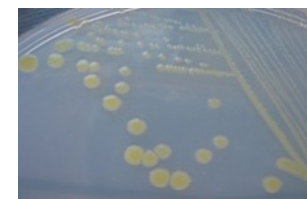
Cloud bacteria biodegrade H₂O₂
thanks to their catalases

Impact of H₂O₂ on ATP concentration

Time when 100% H₂O₂ is biodegraded



Incubation in artificial cloud water



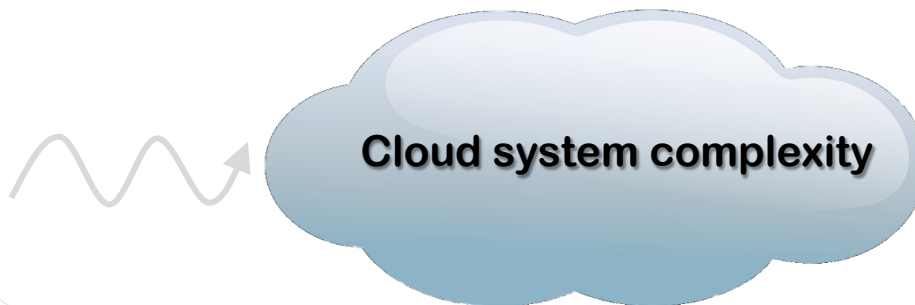
P. graminis

H₂O₂ has a strong impact on microbial energetic metabolism (ATP depletion)

From laboratory to real clouds



Lab Experiments



True in real cloud environment ?

Bulk system
Strong link between
ATP / H₂O₂

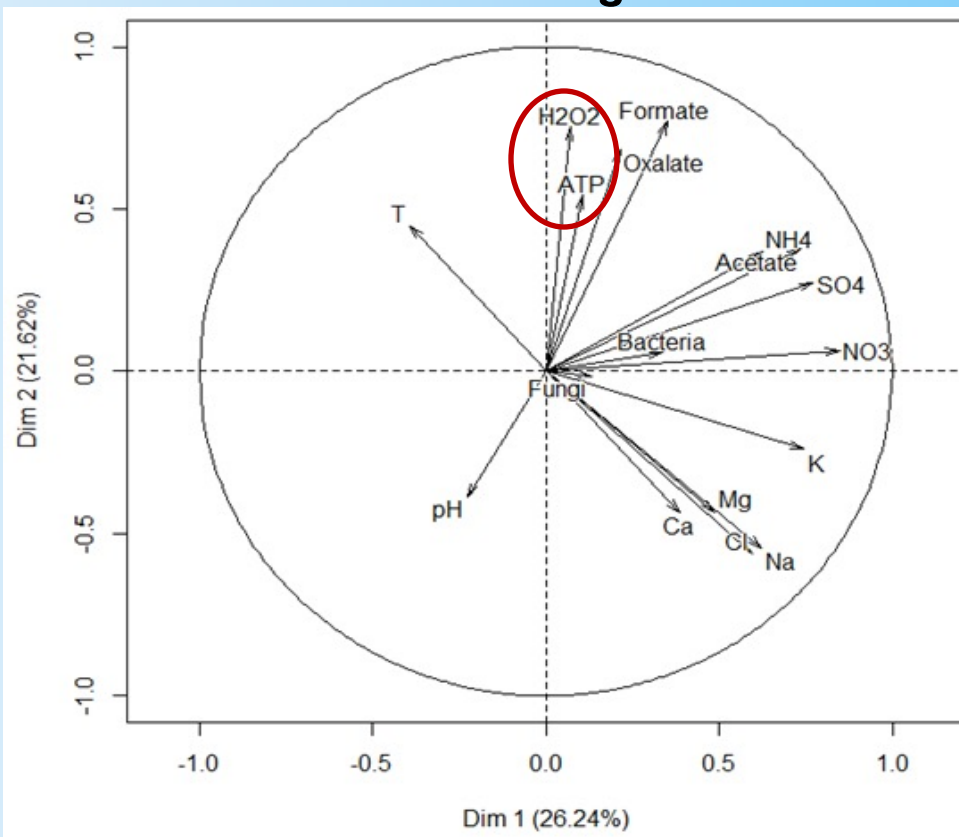


Statistical analyses
Chemical & microbiological
parameters from 37 clouds



From laboratory to real clouds: Statistical analyses

Multivariate: Strong correlation



Variables factor map (PCA) of 37 cloud events on the plane PC1-PC2 based on 17 variables

Univariate

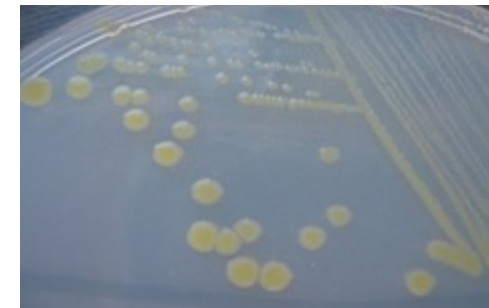
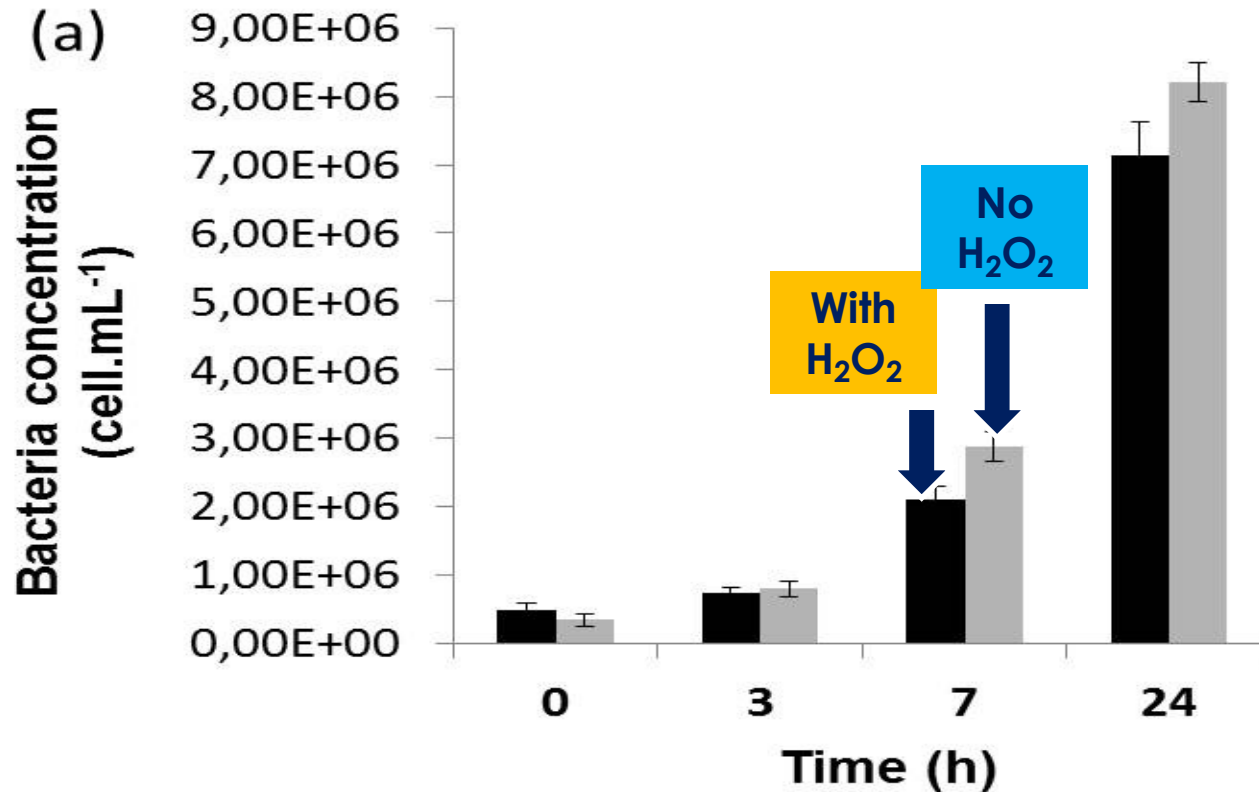
Spearman rank correlation test

p-value = 0.0047
(significance threshold equal to 0.05)

Spearman's coefficient = **0.45**
(have to be > 0.27)

**Strong correlation
between
ATP & H₂O₂**

Impact of H_2O_2 on *Pseudomonas graminis* survival



Counts on agar plate

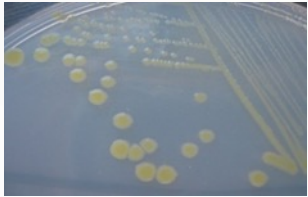
Bacterial cells survive facing H_2O_2 stress and even grow

They modulate their metabolome

Impact of H₂O₂ : a *Metabolomic study*

Pseudomonas graminis
13b3

Isolated from clouds



Artificial cloud
solution

Metabolite Profiling:

UPLC/MS
LC-QTOF, C18 column

1D ¹H NMR
500 MHz NMR spectrometer, 5 mm Prodigy

**60 identified biomarkers,
mapped on *P. graminis* KEGG pathways
(sequenced genome)**

No
H₂O₂

With
H₂O₂

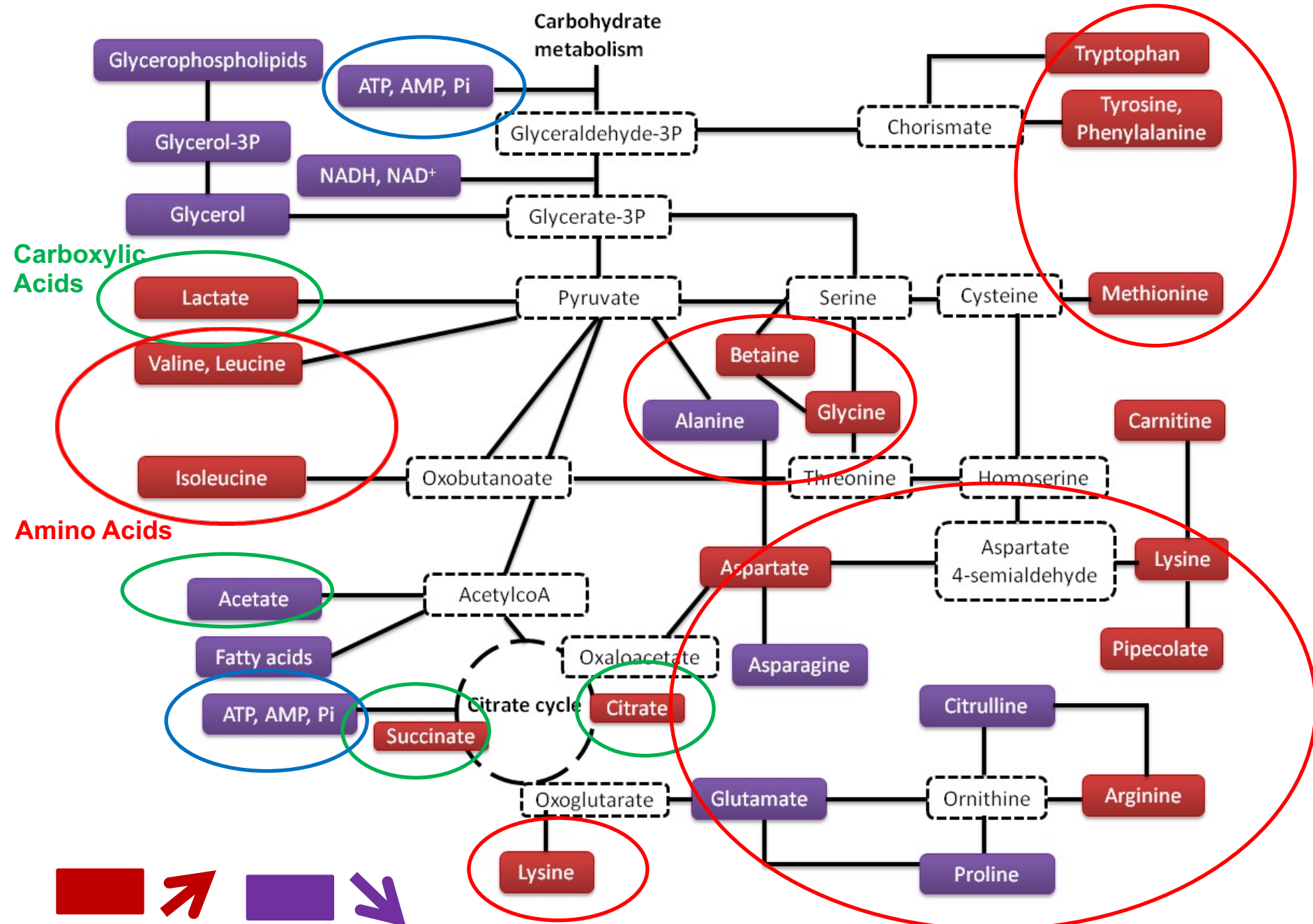
Reference

Stressed

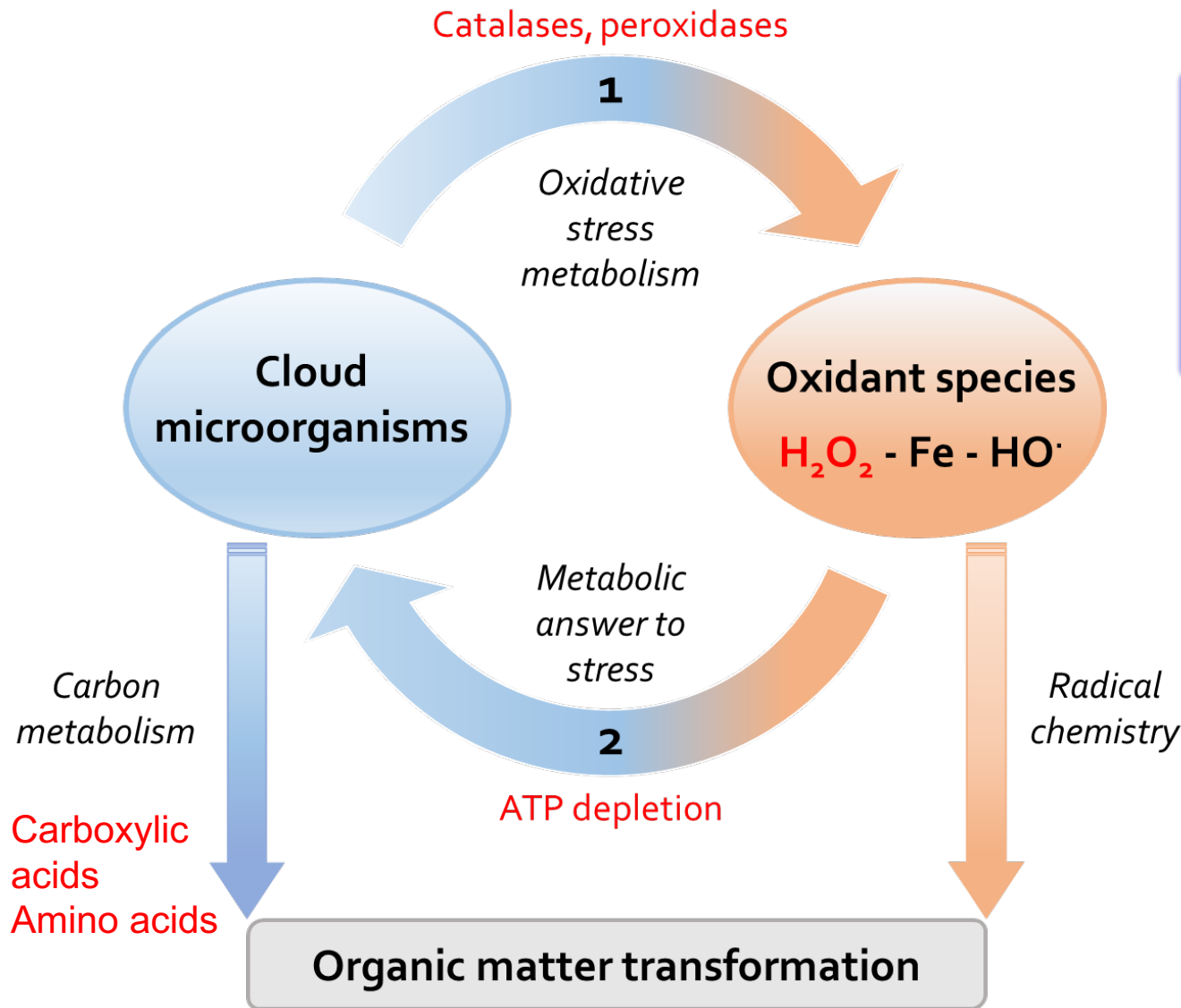
Three biological
batches of 12 samples each

Wirgot et al, Sci. Reports, 2019

Example of the modulation of *P. graminis* metabolic pathways

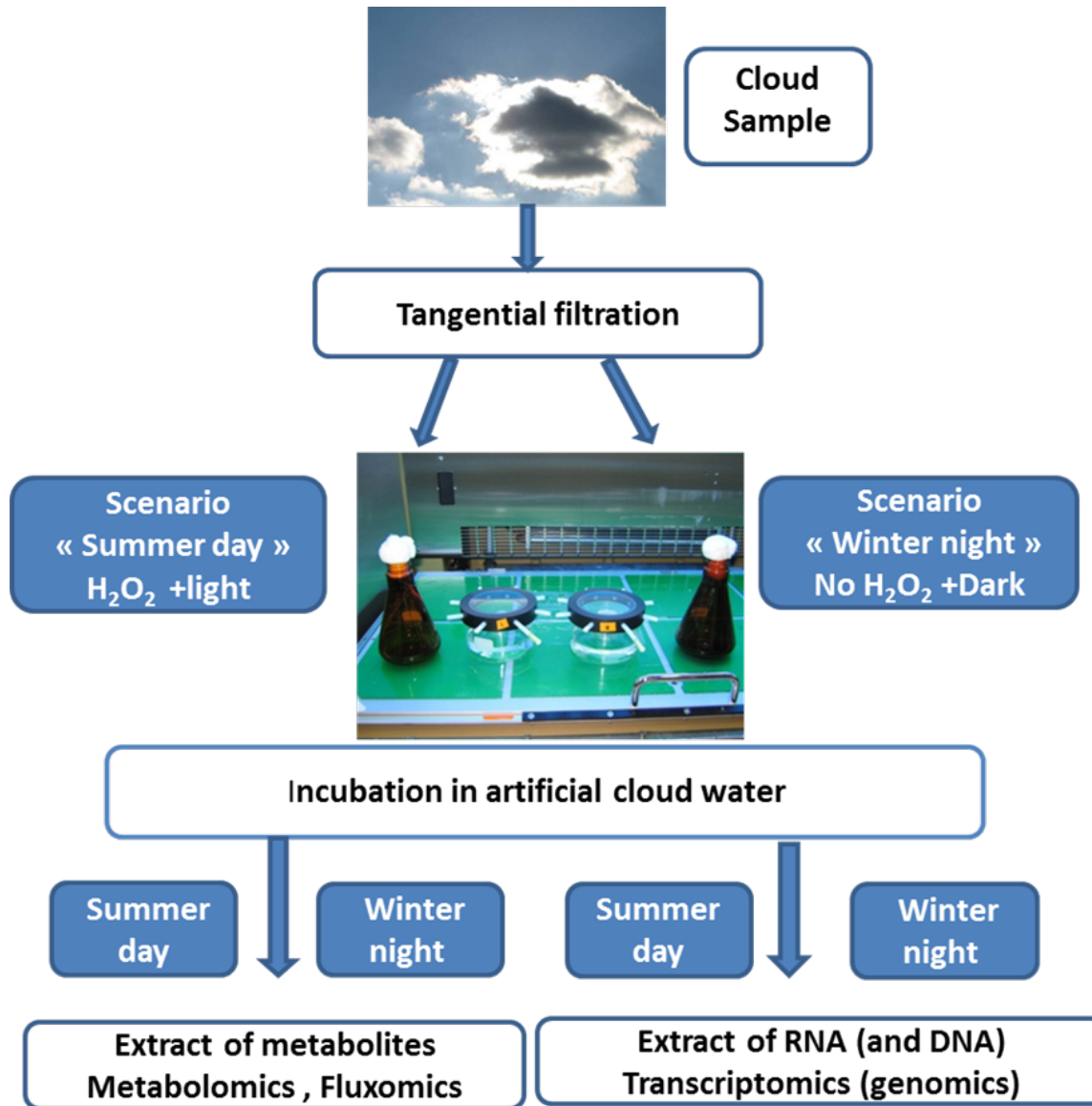


Microorganisms / H₂O₂ Interactions: Conclusions



Modulation by the variations of H₂O₂ concentration

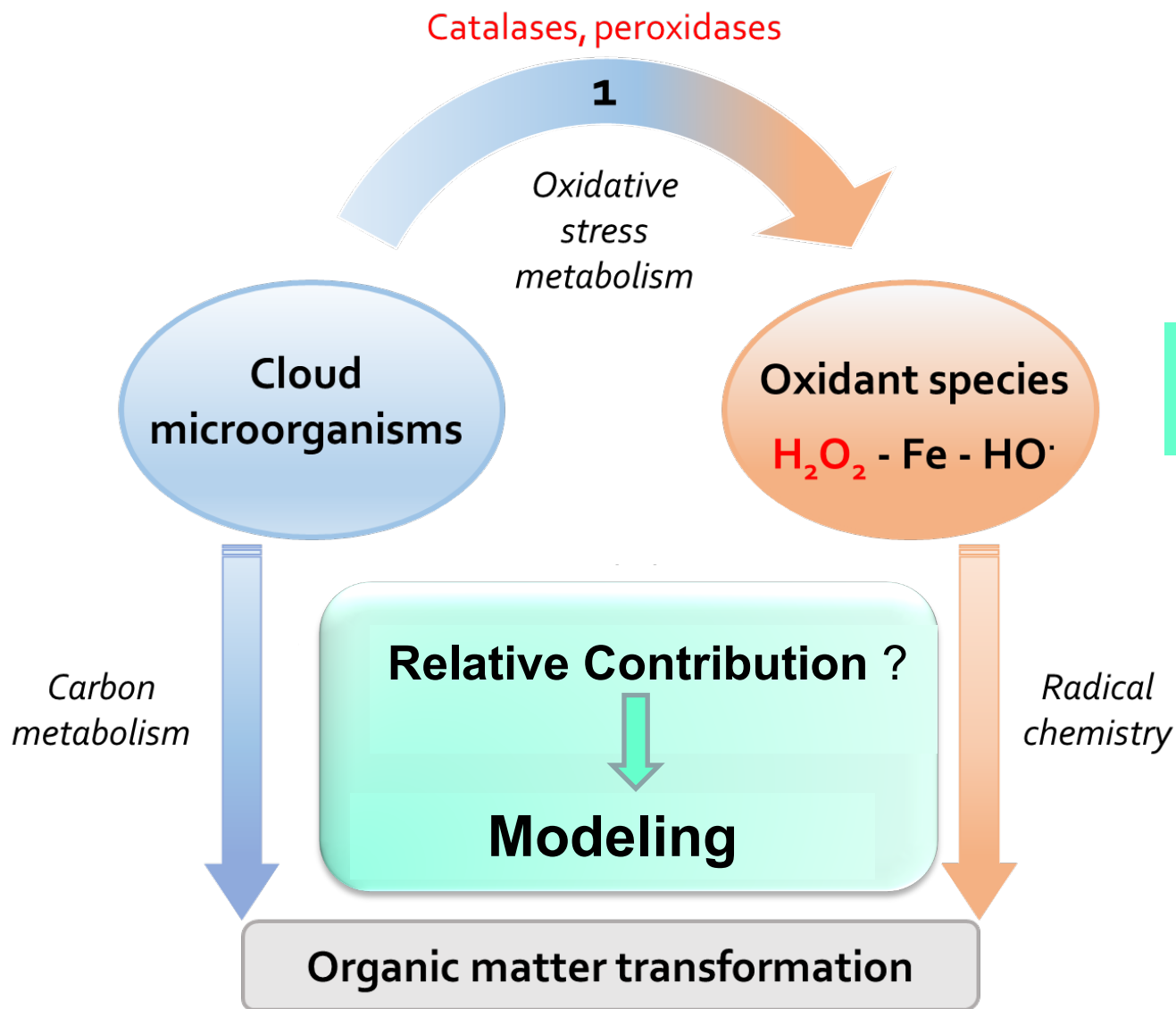
Towards "meta-omics" studies with complex cloud microbiota



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Towards Atmospheric Chemistry Models Integrating Biology



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(CLEPS model,
LaMP)

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Méthodes



Extrait ADN (ou ARN)

(RT)

DIVERSITE
DIVERSITE ACTIVE

Amplification gène
16S (PROK) ou 18S
(EUK) (PCR)

Amplification
aléatoire (MDA)

METAGENOME
METATRANSCRIPTOME

PROK 16S = 515F-806R → 291 bp
EUK = 18S 960F-1419R → 459 bp

Séquençage Illumina MiSeq

Traitement bioinformatique

- Contrôle qualité [FastQC]
- Assemblage [USEARCH]
- Affiliation [PANAM] vs SILVA SSU (100%)
- Suppression des OTUS singletons
- Suppression des OTUs présents dans fraction ARN mais absents de ADN
- Suppression des OTUs présents dans les blancs



3 cloud samples

	Nuage 1	Nuage 2	Nuage 3
Type de nuage	Marin	Continental	Urban
Température	10 °C	13,5 °C	10 °C
pH	6,1	5,2	3,9
Conductivité (μScm^{-1})	3,5	37,6	78,6
TOC (DOC) (mg L^{-1})	1,1 (1,1)	6,8 (6,7)	6,9 (6,8)
Composé	Concentration (μM)		
Acétate	4,5	25,4	23,2
Formiate	4,9	42,7	33,2
Succinate	- 19 %	3,1 25 %	3,8 23 %
Oxalate	1	9,7	9,3
Malonate	-	3,1	3,5
Formaldéhyde	1,5	2,7	6,1
Cl^-	3	7,7	11,3
NO_3^-	4,5	70,6	228,7
SO_4^{2-}	1,8	46,1	64
NH_4^+	8,5	100,3	122,3
Na^+	2,2	10,1	8,8
K^+	-	1,5	2,2
Mg^{2+}	1	2,1	2,7
Ca^{2+}	1,7	3,8	3,8
Fe(total)	0,9	1,1	1,3
Fe(II)	0,3	0,5	0,5
H_2O_2	3,6	33,4	57,7
	Concentration cellulaire (cellules mL^{-1})		
Spores fongiques et levures	9×10^3	3×10^3	3×10^3
Bactéries	3×10^4	8×10^4	9×10^4
ATP (pmol mL^{-1})	0,2	0,95	0,85
ADP (pmol mL^{-1})	0,3	0,3	0,4
Rapport ADP/ATP	1,4	0,3	0,5

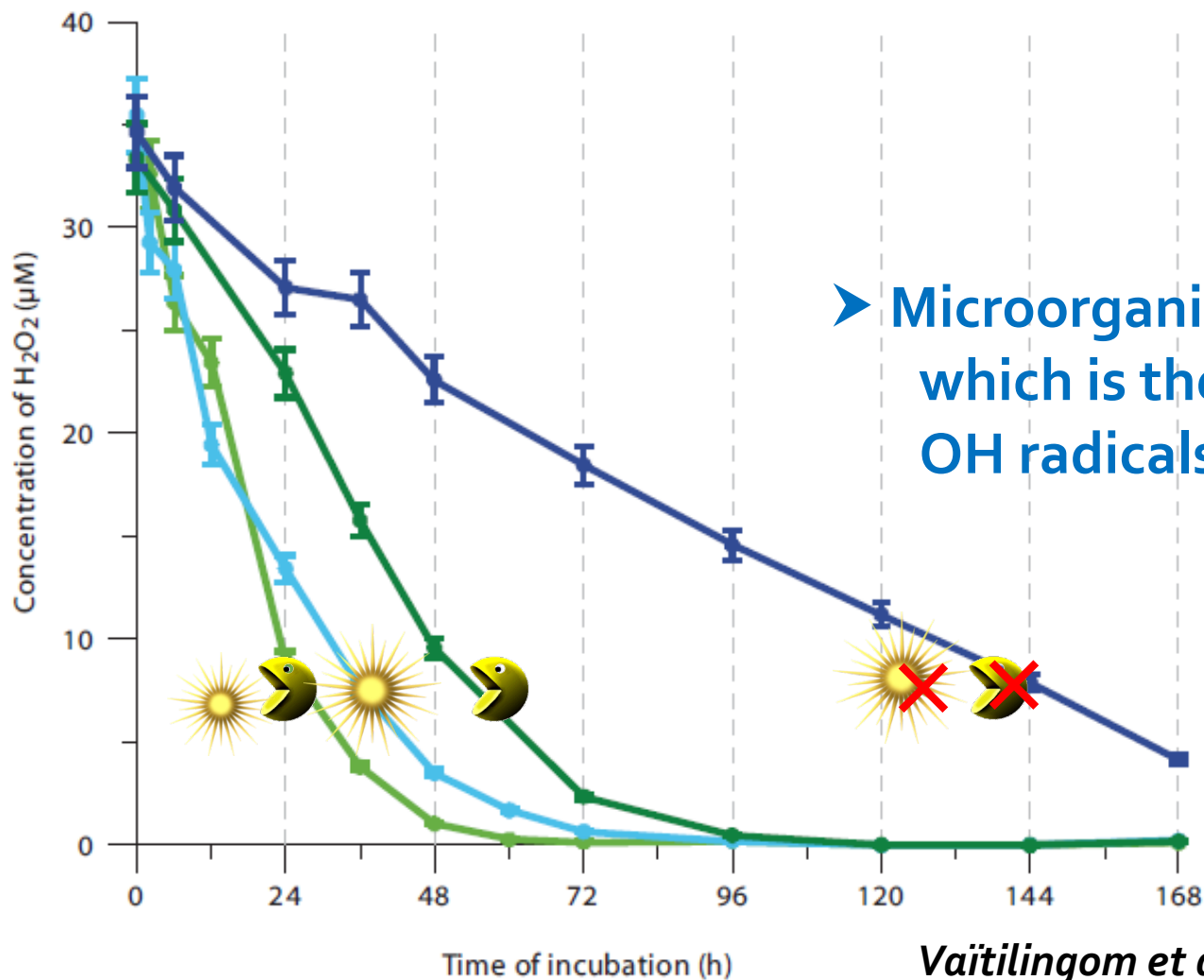
≠ pH

~ 20 % du DOC

≠ Oxidant capacity

Energetic state

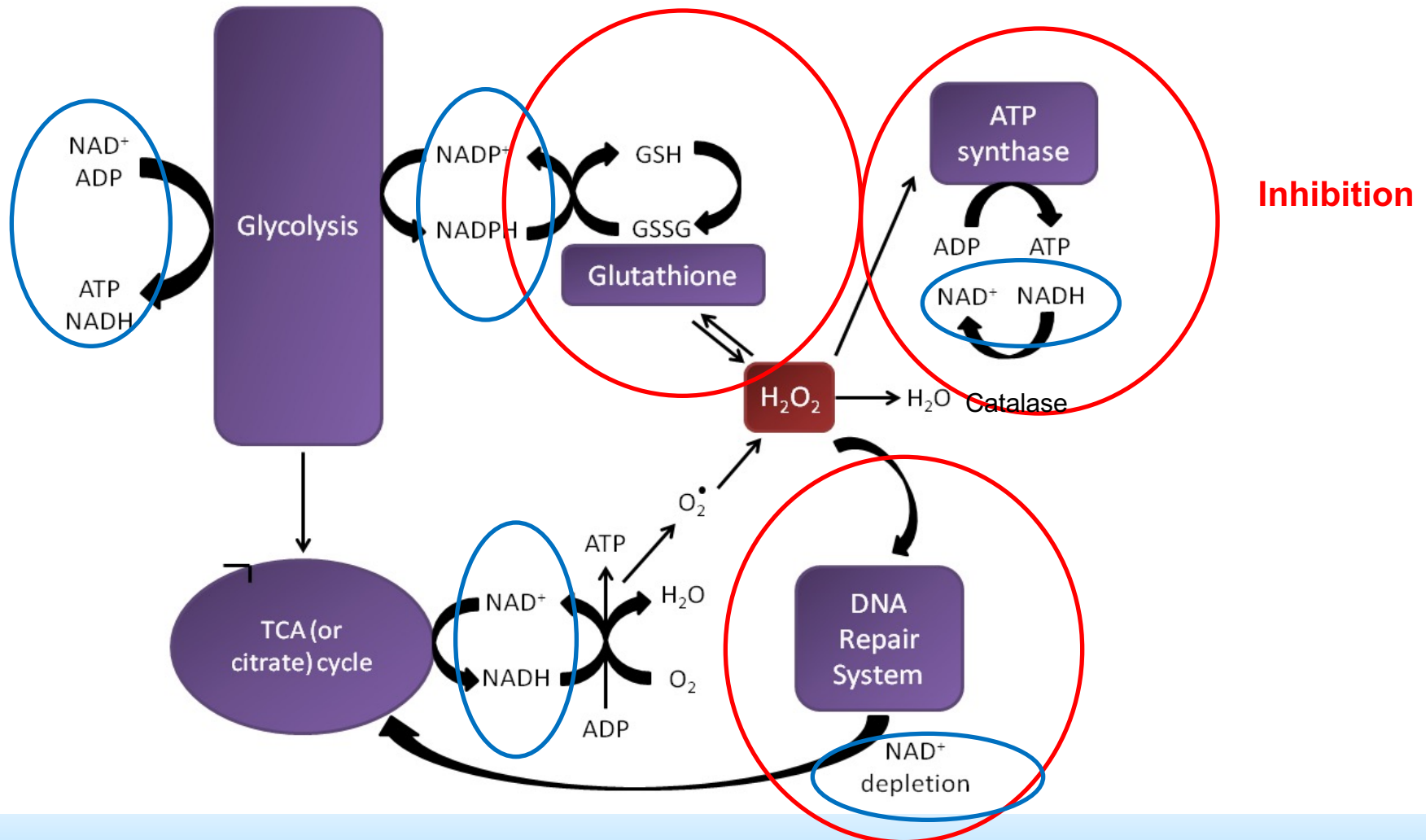
Interaction with oxidants (H_2O_2)



► Microorganisms degrade H_2O_2 which is the major source of OH radicals



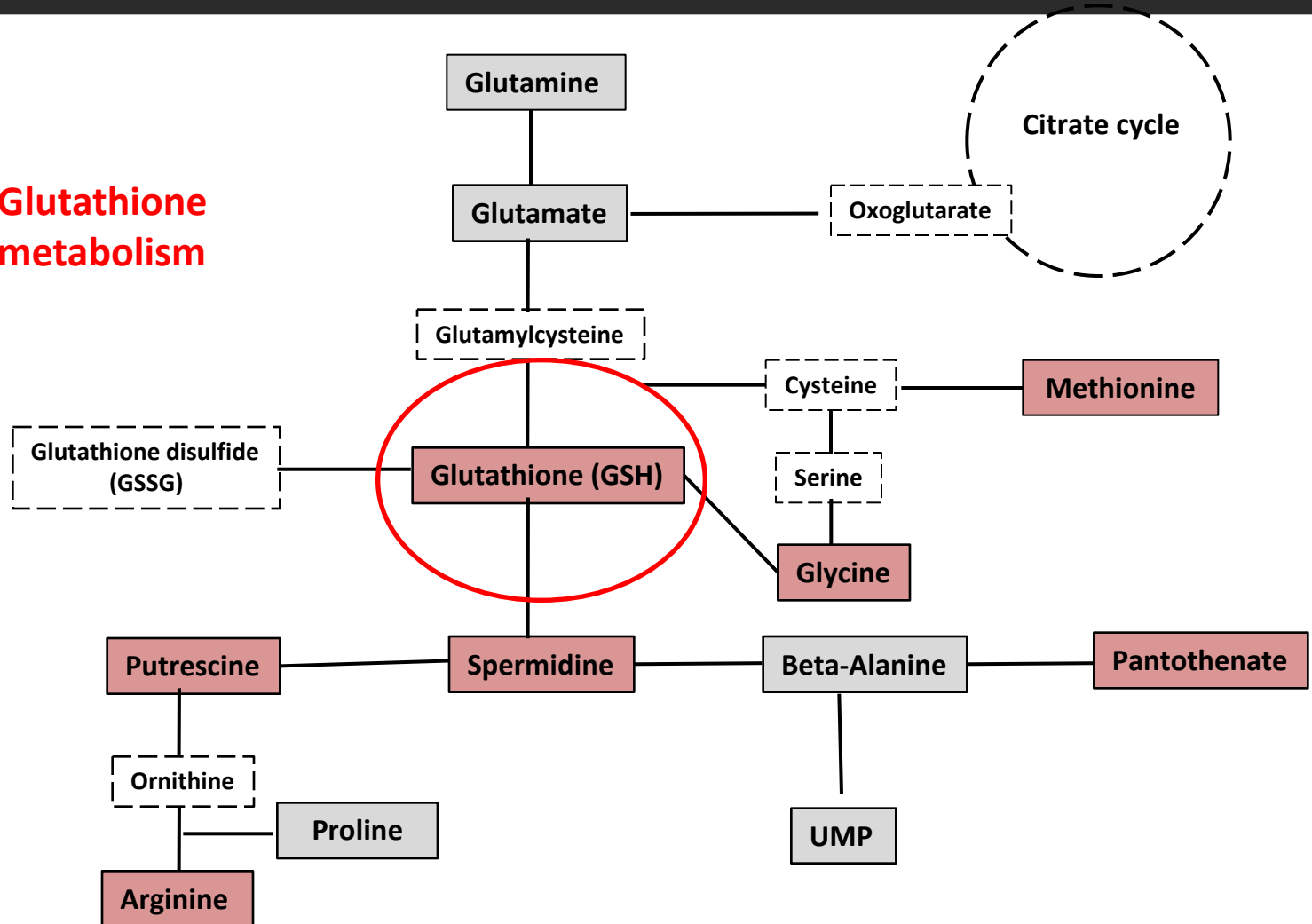
Impact of H_2O_2 on Microbial metabolism and ATP concentration



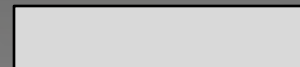
Interconnection between ATP synthesis and cellular redox potential ($NAD^+/NADH$, $NADP^+/NADPH$ ratios). NAD^+ depletion related to DNA repair system

Impact of H₂O₂ : a *Metabolomic approach*

Glutathione metabolism



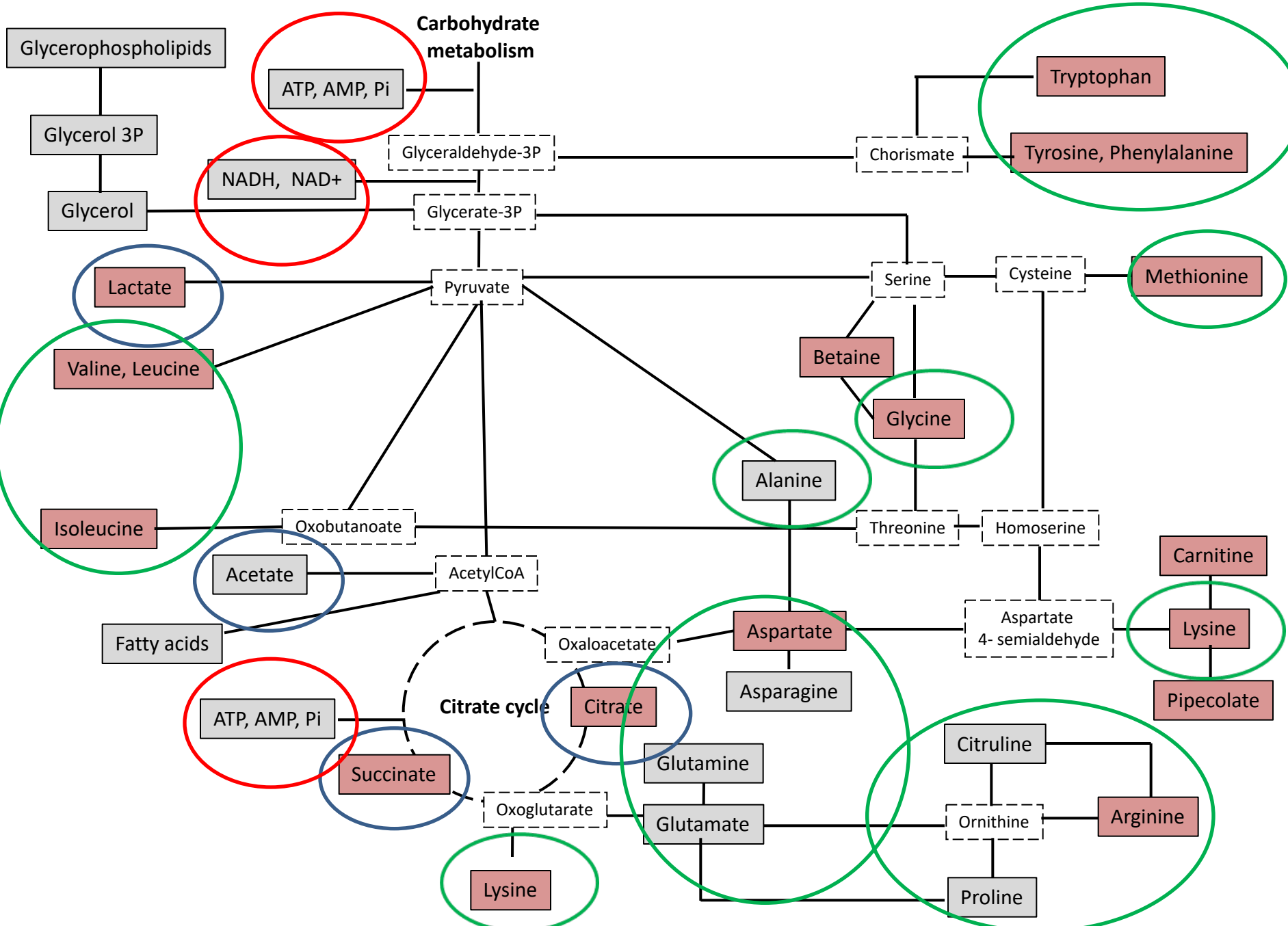
Overproduced



Underproduced

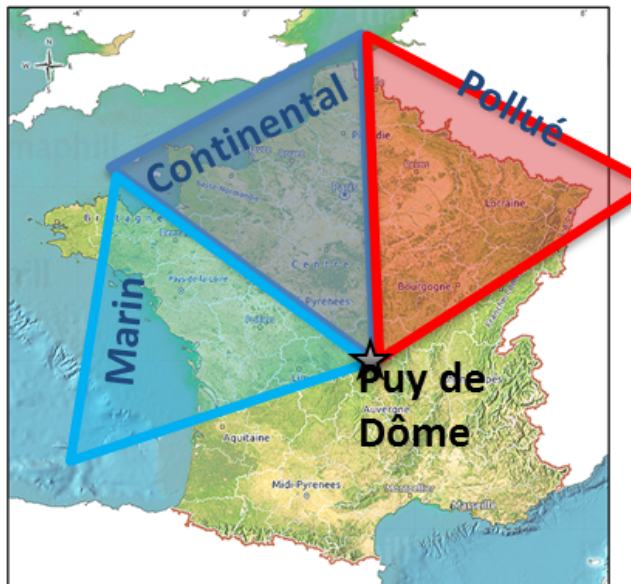


Central metabolism (Carboxylic Acids, Amino acids, lipids) +ATP/NAD

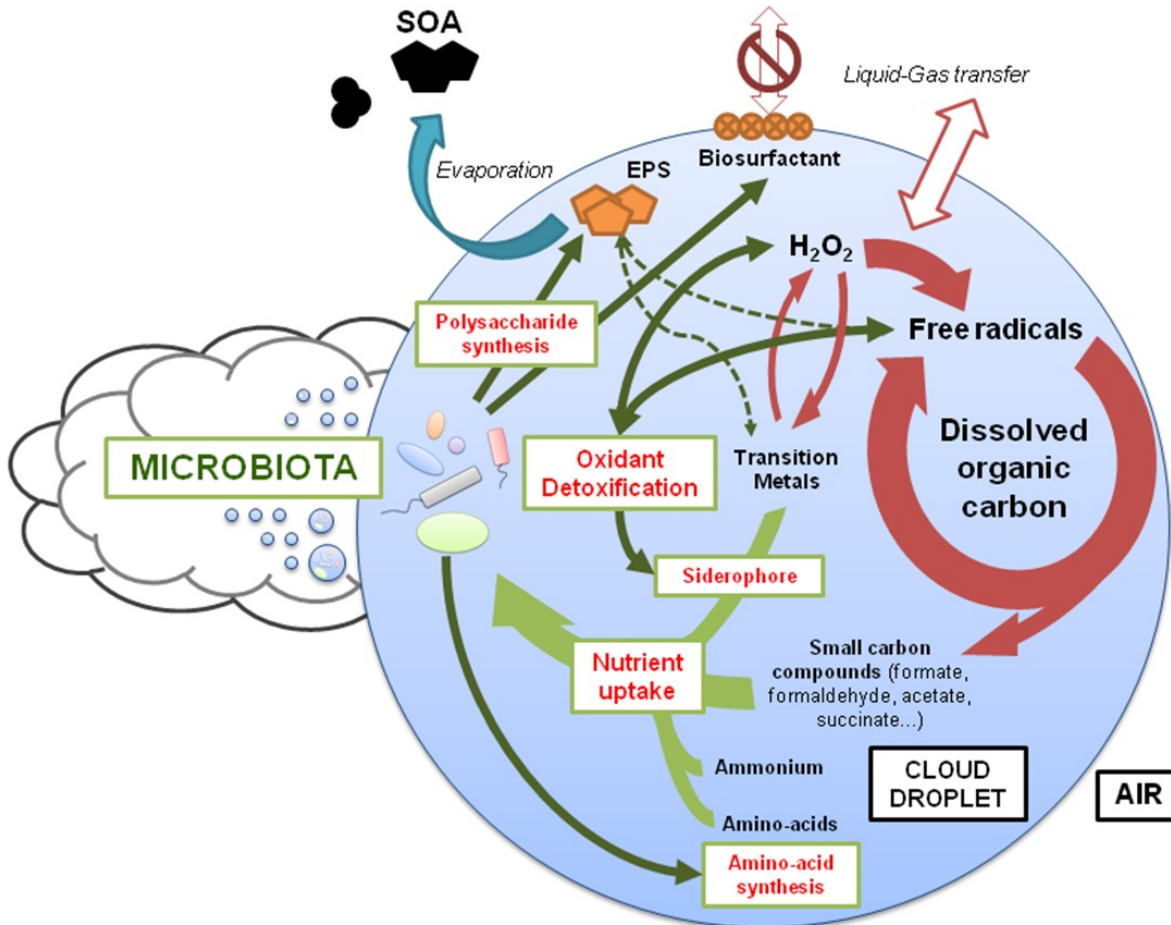




CO-PDD CNRS



Impact of atmospheric scenarios on the functioning of the cloud microbiota



Example of scenarios:

- Winter night
(No H₂O₂, No light, 5°C)
- Summer day
(H₂O₂, Light, 17°C)

First Meta-Transcriptomics study of clouds

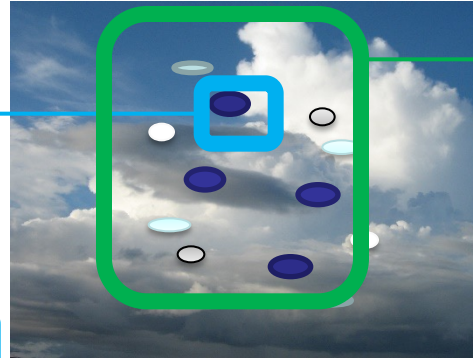
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Perspectives: Towards « Meta-omics »

Metabolomics



Cloud Microbial strains
(culture)



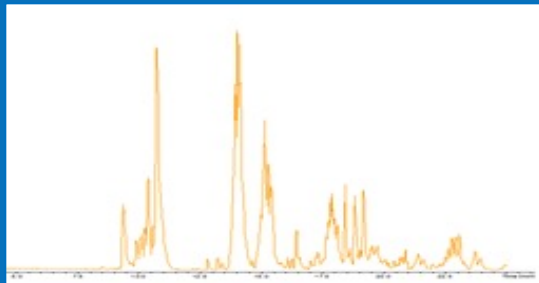
Meta-
Metabolomics
Transcriptomics
Fluxomics

Cloud Ecosystem
(cloud water sample)

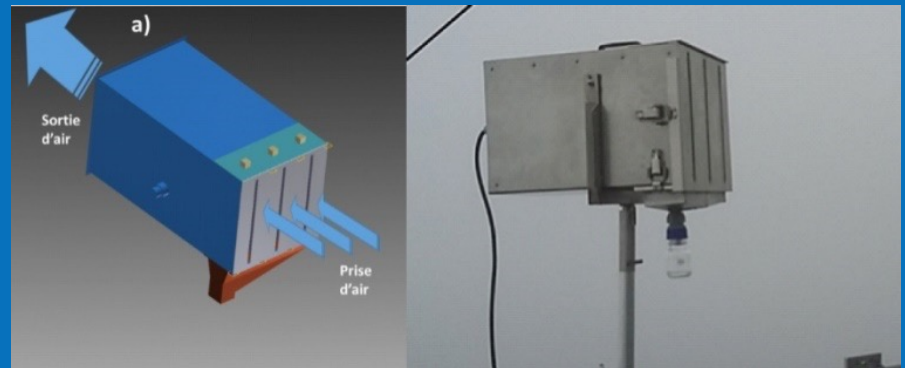
Technical barriers

Bacteria:

$\sim 10^4 - \sim 10^5$ cells mL⁻¹



LC-MS 300 ml cloud water
Meta-transcriptomics



Construction of high volume cloud
impactors → up to 700 ml /day

METACLOUD organisation

