# Better evaluation system for N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emission from composting (and wastewater purification) of Livestock waste

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# In this presentation

Why we focus on N2O and CH4 emission from Livestock waste treatment?

Share, Agricultural sector, N cycle

How to evaluate?
Measurement system and Experimental design

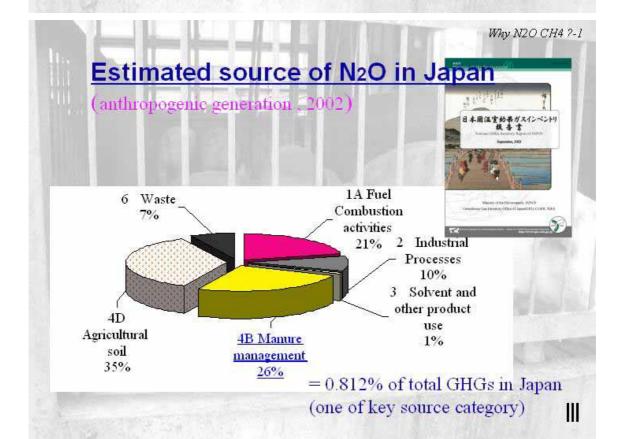
Evaluation and Mitigation of emission

Emission factor of N2O and CH4 from Livestock waste composting / in our experiment

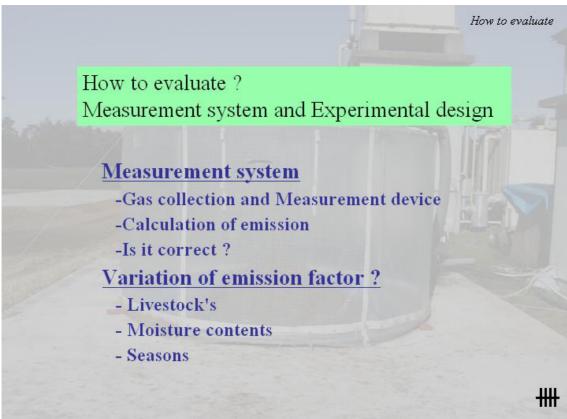
Emission factor, changes in process

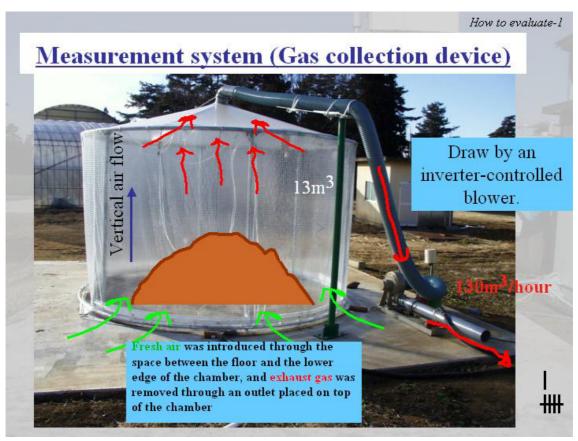
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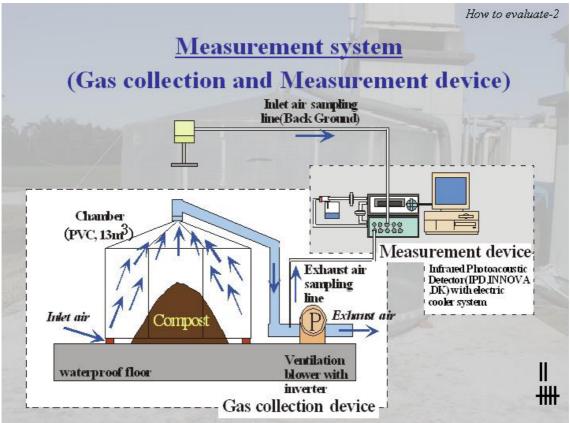
- -About 94 million tons of livestock waste
- -contains 737 Gg of Nitrogen.
- -around 10,999 Gg  $\rm CO_2$  eq of  $\rm N_2O$  and 933 Gg  $\rm CO_2$  eq of  $\rm CH_4$  might be emitted from composting and other livestock waste treatment processes (Ministry of the Environment, Japan 2002).







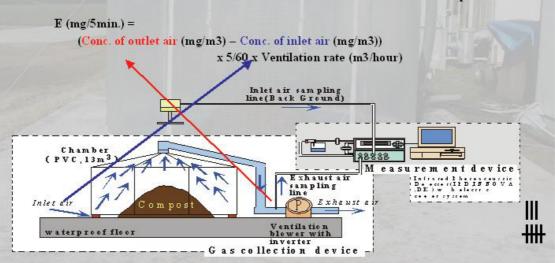




# Measurement system

## (Gas collection and Measurement device)

The rate of emission (E) of each substance (NH3, CH4 and N2O) was computed from the amount of ventilation and the concentration differences of each substance between the inlet and outlet air samples.

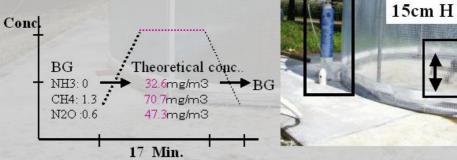


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# Methods for evaluation of this system

# 1st step Recovery test with pure substances

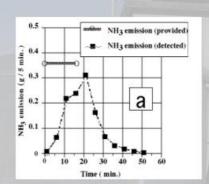
In order to evaluate recovery efficiencies, a fixed quantity of each substance (gas) was generated within the center of the chamber 15 cm high, and the total amount of emissions by this chamber system was calculated.



\*Stabilized ventilation late and fixed late of gas generation

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1st step
Result of
Recovery test
with pure
substances



No great difference was found in movement of three sorts of substances. In the 130 m3/h exchange volume condition for 17-minutes the concentration of each substance became elevated during 40 - 50 minutes.

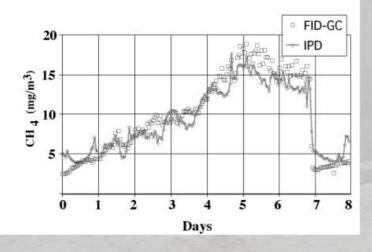
The average recovery of each substance was good based on the results of a field examination. NH3, CH4 and N2O recoveries were 98.5% (S.D. 6.25), 96.6% (S.D. 4.03) and 99.5% (S.D. 2.68), respectively

#### Step 2

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Comparison with values from conventional methods at composting examination (CH4)

The results of both method were compared, and the changes of CH4 concentration were considered to be very similar.



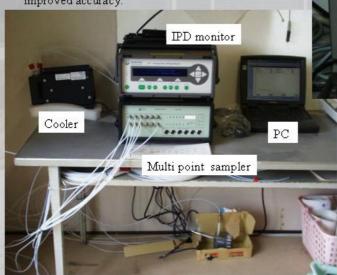
The total amount of methane generated over 8 days following the start of the composting was 227g by the IPD method and 239g by the FID-GC method, and the difference was small at around 5%.



# Measurement system (Measurement device)

-Infrared Photoacoustic Detector (IPD, multi gas monitor type 1312, INNOVA, Copenhagen DK) at 5-min. intervals (continuous measurement).

-Gas dried by electric cooler was used for measurement of methane and nitrous oxide for improved accuracy.



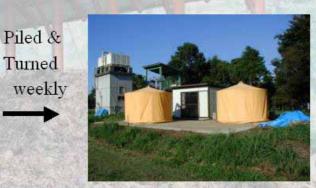
Sampling gas were introduced IPD passed through 4mm diameter Teflon tubes at 15min. Interval.

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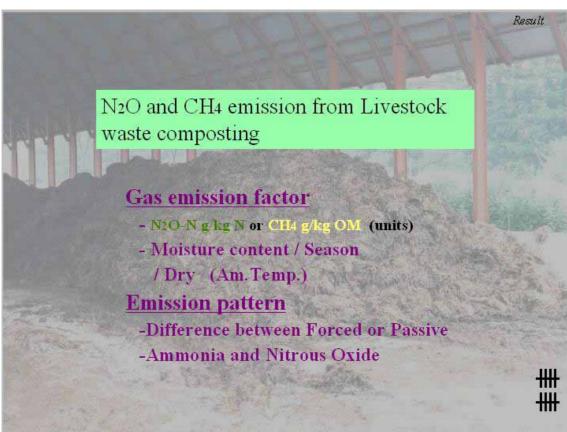
# **Experimental design**

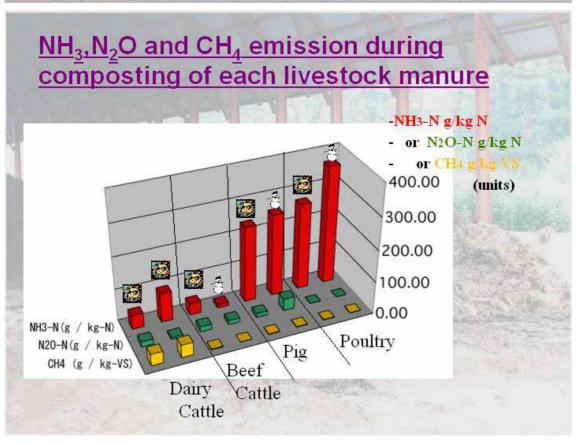


Mixture of Feces & Sawdust (400kg ap.)



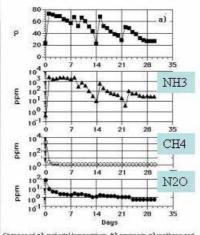
Runs	Livestock	Products of the compostig			
		Total weight kg	Moisture content %	Turning interval of the pile	Days of composting
Dairy 2	455.0	85.6	15 days	119	
Beef 1	Beef cattle manure	149.4	45.7	7 days	63
Beef 2		198.0	56.1	7 days	49
Pig 1	Fattening pig manure	110.0	35.4	7 days	56
Pig 2		147.8	48.4	7 days	106
Pourtry 1	Poultry manure	112.0	11.9	7 days	64
Pourtry 2		99.2	25.9	7 days	57





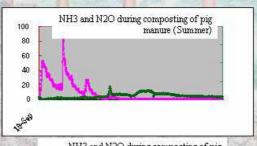
# Changes of N<sub>2</sub>O and NH<sub>3</sub> emission during composting

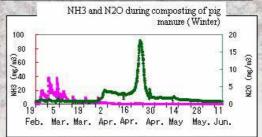
Gas emission from Forced Aeration



Changes of **a)** material temperature, **b)** ammonto, **c)** methans and **d)** nitrous axide concentration of exhaust gas under 38.5 L. m<sup>2</sup> min<sup>-1</sup> aeration with matured compost additional condition.

Gas emission from Piled compost





# Conclusion (1/2)

We developed a system for the quantitative measurement of emissions from composting using a large dynamic chamber in an experiment.

According to the results of this experiment, the composting-manure emission factors of  $\mathrm{CH_4}$  and  $\mathrm{N_2O}$  varied significantly between livestock types, moisture contents of the pile materials and ambient temperature. Those factors should also depend on manure treatment type.

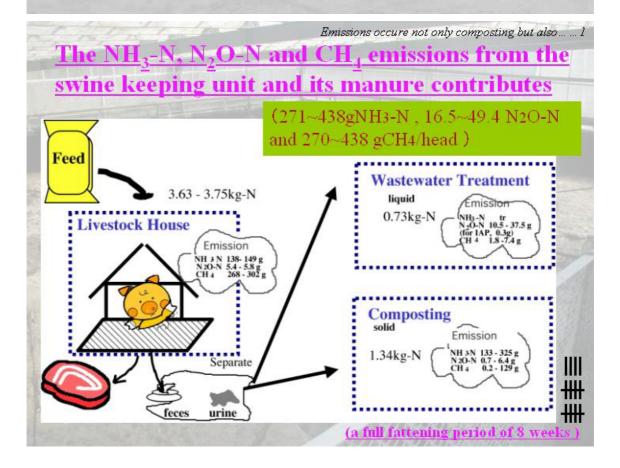
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## Conclusion (2/2)

In Asian countries, the compost process is widely used for the treatment of livestock waste. Although the exact amount of greenhouse gases generated from actual composting is not known.

Not only the compost, but the emission factor of each treatment system should be evaluated under each countries procedure and general conditions, because those factors might be widely varied.

It is important that each country has the measurement technique of GHG emission, not only for inventory data but for the development of greenhouse gas regulations and technologies.







might not be so big as you suppose, I hope.