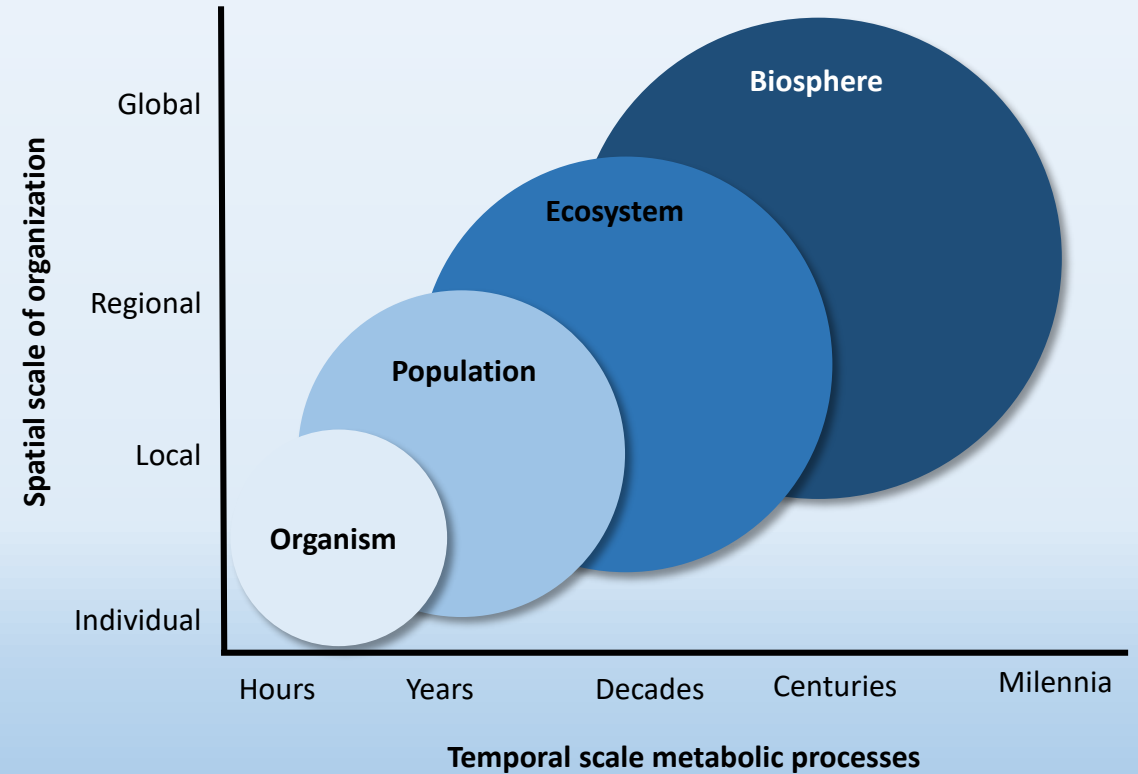


# Scaling in biological systems: application in terrestrial ecology and formation of artificial ecological systems



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# Scales of ecological organization



# Ecotoxicology

- Pesticides
- New materials – nanoparticles
- Abiotic parameters – climate change



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Influence of soil temperature and moisture on biochemical biomarkers in earthworm and microbial activity after exposure to propiconazole and chlorantraniliprole

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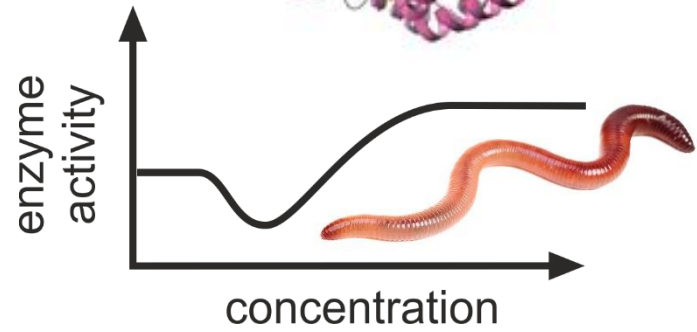
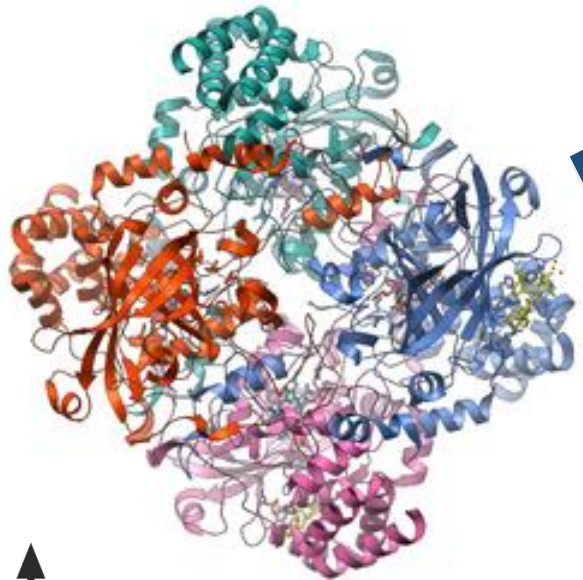
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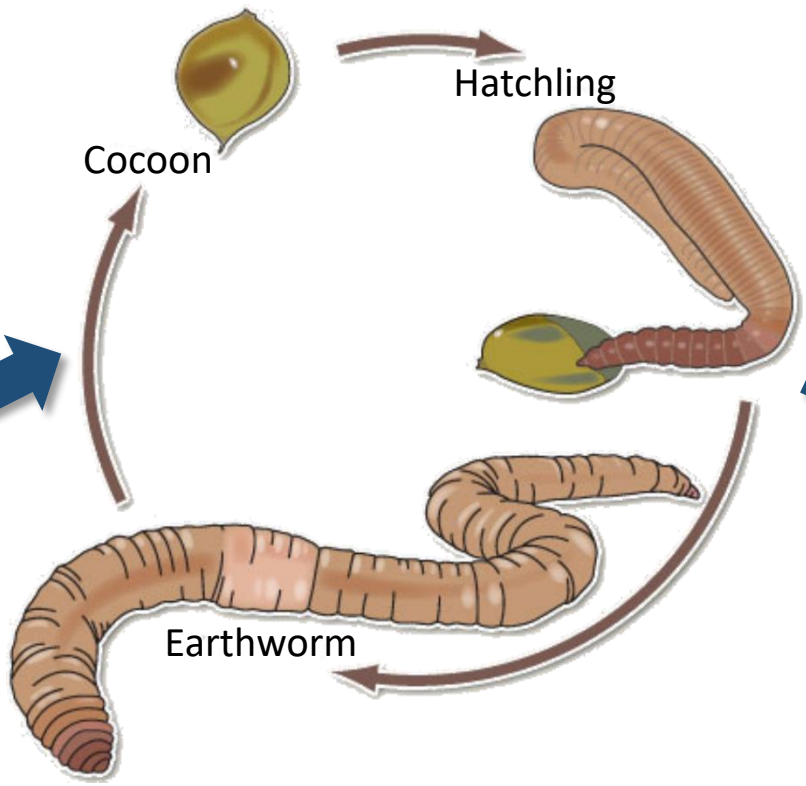
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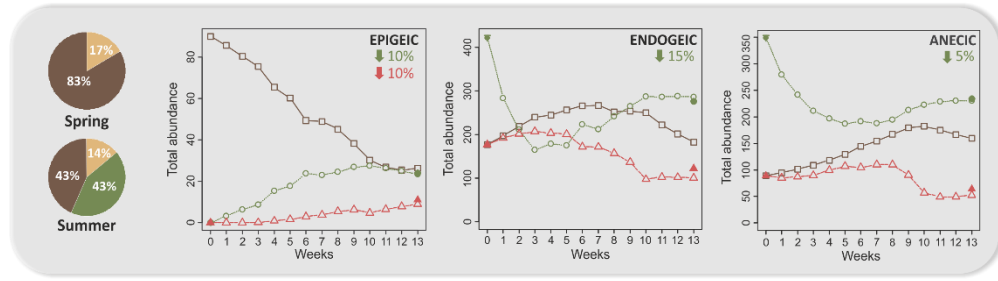
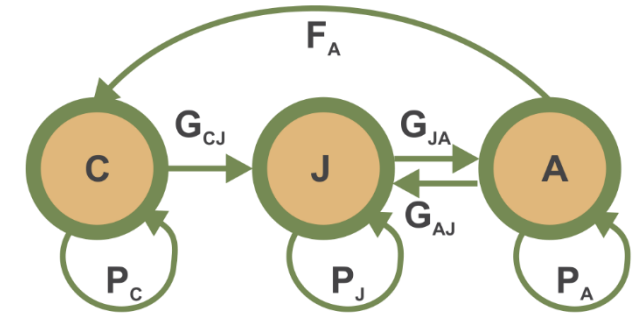
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# Experimental organisms

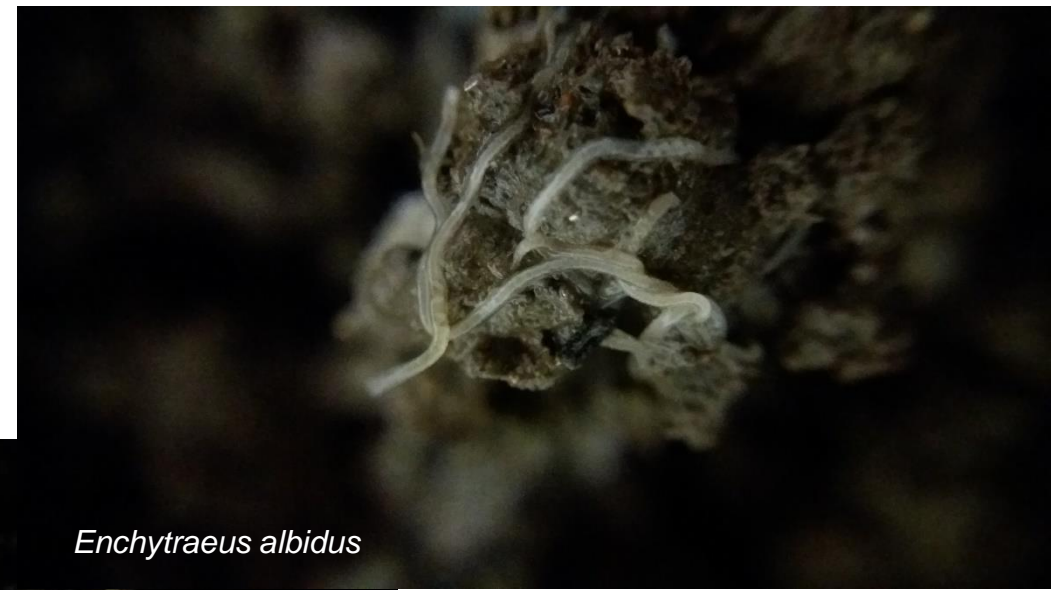
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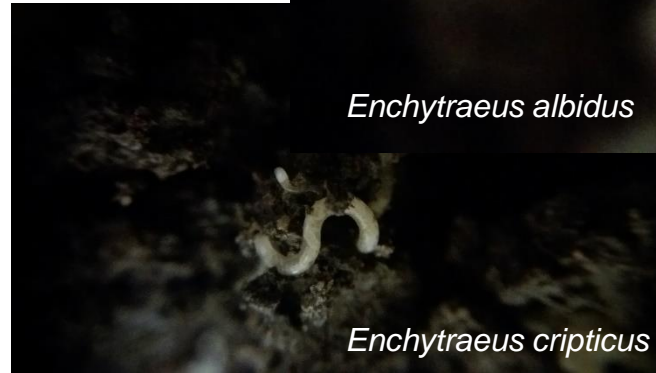
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## Enchytraeids



## Collembola

### *Folsomia candida*



# Ecotoxicology

- Sensor systems



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Aquatic Toxicology

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Real-time CO<sub>2</sub> uptake/emission measurements as a tool for early indication of toxicity in Lemna-tests

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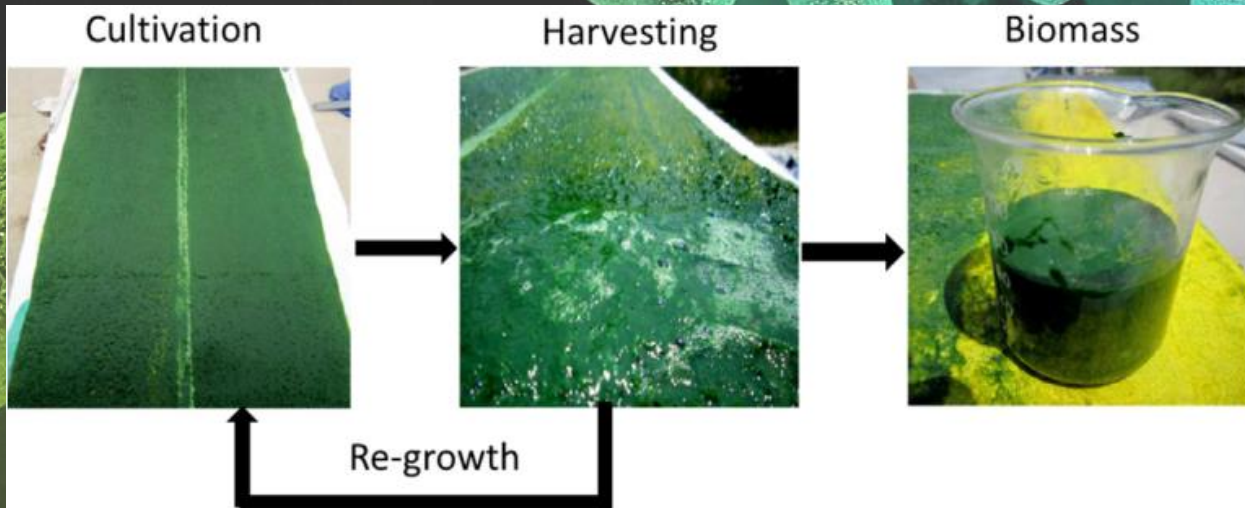
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# Microbiology

- MELISSA (Micro-Ecological Life-Support System Alternative)
- PGPB (Plant Growth Promoting Bacteria)
- Bacterial biofilms in simulated extraterrestrial soil



# Plant physiology



- Ex. 1. How does photosynthetic apparatus response to sudden drop/increase in temperature in real time?
- Ex. 2. Inhibition of photosynthetic reactions, both photochemical and biochemical ones, by many xenobiotics.
- Ex. 3. How plants cope with physiological drought (water stress)?



# Plant physiology

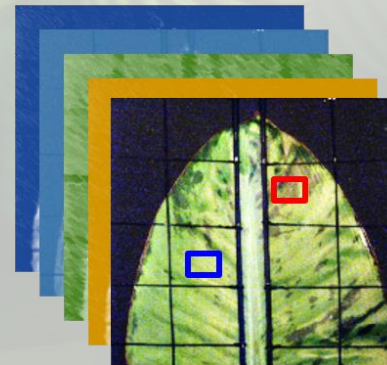
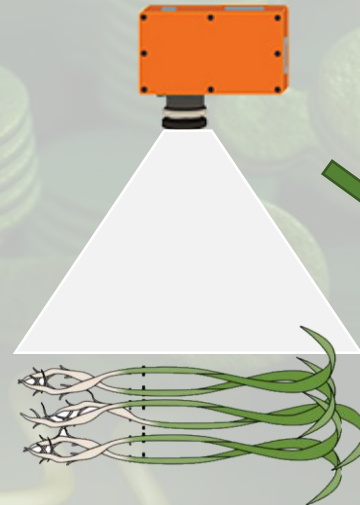
- Hyperspectral imaging
- Biochemical, physiological, molecular analysis



Ex. 1., 3.



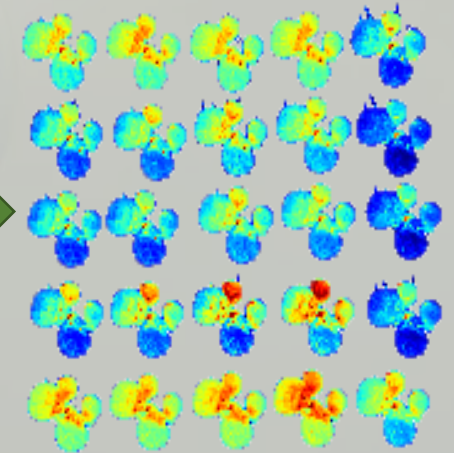
Ex. 2.



HSI Cube



Fluorescence



HSI Matrix

fluorescence

reflected light

transmitted light

# Computational methods

- *In silico* experiments
  - Climate change scenarios
- Big data analytics



Theoretical Population Biology

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Stage and age structured *Aedes vexans* and *Culex pipiens* (Diptera: Culicidae) climate-dependent matrix population model

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