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# Expertise of the Trainee related to the Action

Monitoring and chemical characterization of odorous emissions through electronic noses and dynamic olfactometry



Drafting of Safety Data
Sheet about chemical
compounds according the
new European regulations
REACH and CLP



Application of lichens as ecological indicators of atmospheric nitrogen deposition



# Current research activities of the Trainee (1/2)

Different kind of «noses»

Odour impact assessment:





Gas Citizens' chromatographyports

Wind tunnel

identification and systematization

NOx, BTX, of emission NMHC sources for the

Electronic Nose

PIPEN3S RQBOX

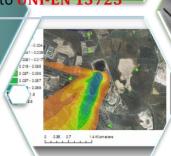


DYNAMICOLFATTOMEGRAST

Sensorial methodology for the determination Olof UT lodous

Dispensentration in air samples, according to UNI-EN 13725 customized

models



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# Current research activities of the Trainee (2/2)

# Application of lichens as ecological indicators of atmospheric nitrogen deposition



Lichens are symbiotic associations of a <u>fungus</u> and a <u>photosynthetic</u> partner (algae or cyanobacteria).

Lacking roots, they depend on the atmosphere for their nutrition, assimilating all the <u>elements</u> present in the air. Therefore, elemental levels in lichens often reflect air composition, making them effective <u>biomonitors</u> of atmospheric quality.

Among the other, lichens are used as bioindicators of different forms of reactive nitrogen (N).

- Establishing the origin of N through the isotope signature of N compounds in lichens and in passive samplers (ALPHA)
- Investigating how ergosterol (the principal component of fungal plasma membranes) level changes in relation to the different ammonia concentrations



### Achieved RESULTS and future activities

