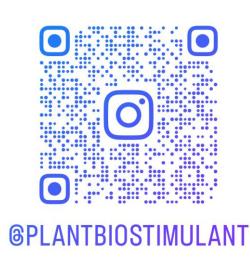
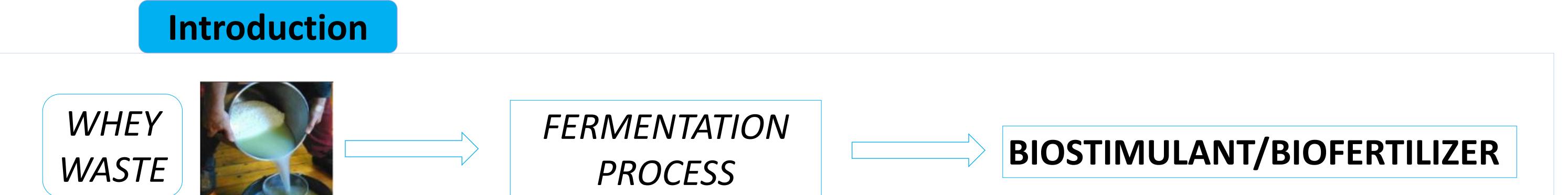


# A NEW BIOSTIMULANT/BIOFERTILIZER PRODUCT OBTAINED FROM WHEY: EFFECT ON SOIL BIOLOGICAL PROPERTIES



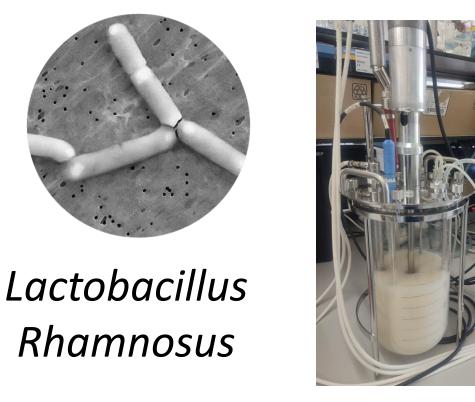
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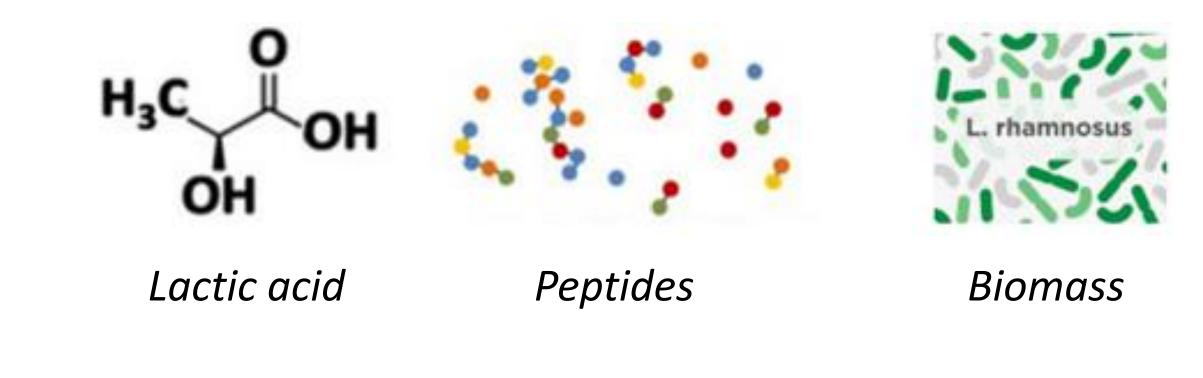




**Enviromental problem, production** 185 millions tons per year worldwide.

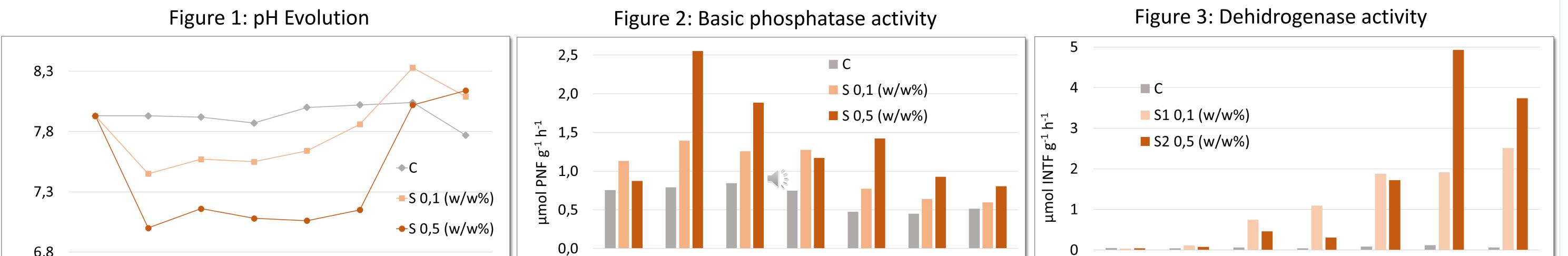
Rich organic matter, primarily lactose and protein





## **Results and discussion**

#### **SOIL CHEMICALS AND BIOCHEMICALS EFFECTS**



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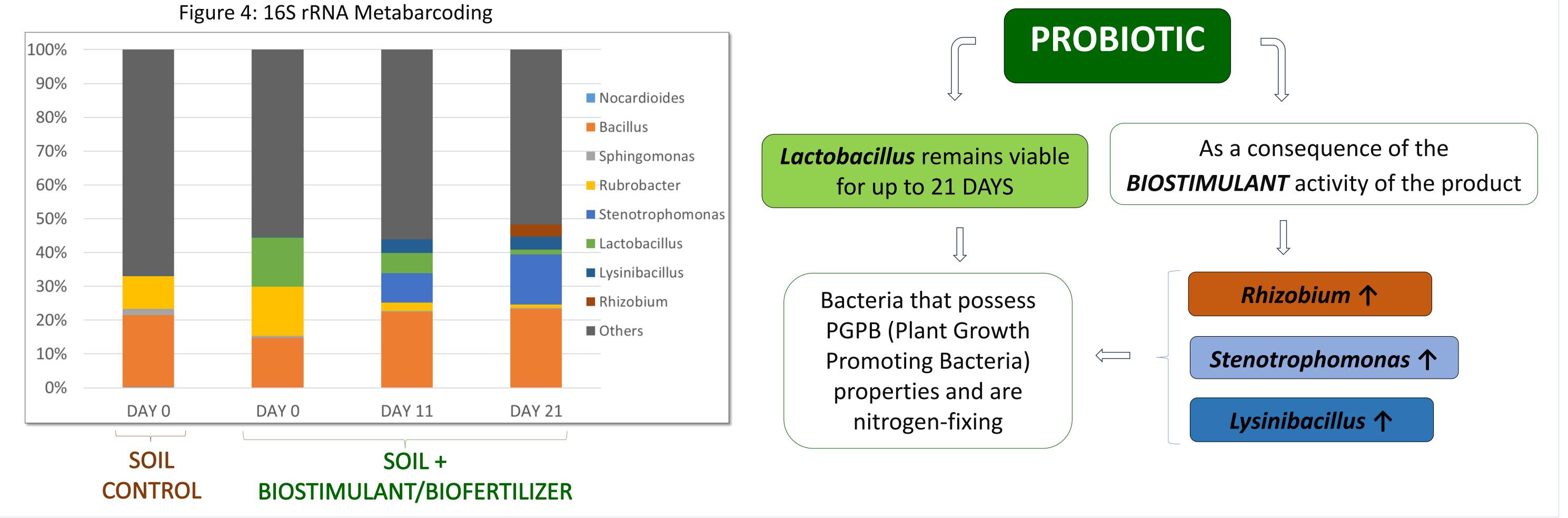
Day 0:  $\downarrow$  pH -  $\uparrow$  Lactic acid content Time extension:  $\uparrow pH - \downarrow Lactic acid due to its$ consumption by microorganisms.

Day 1: High activity as a result of the need phosphorus for bacterial growth

 $\uparrow$ Time -  $\uparrow$ DHA Directly related to oxidative phosphorylation and, therefore, a higher quantity of microorganisms

### **EFFECT ON SOIL MICROBIOTA**

90% Nocardioides 80% Bacillus 70% Sphingomonas 60% Rubrobacter Stenotrophomonas 50% Lactobacillus 40% Lysinibacillus 30% Rhizobium 20% ■ Others 10%



## Conclusions

The effectiveness of a new biostimulant/biofertilizer created using a circular economy approach with whey has been examined in relation to the biochemical and microbial characteristics of the soil, revealing positive effects on the chemical and microbiological composition of the soil that are directly related to fertility levels.





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