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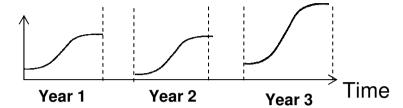






Polyetic epidemics

→ processes occurring over years





Researches at the crop succession scale

How to benefit from the inter-crop period for disease management?

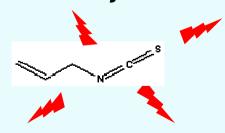
Allelopathy process for reducing risks: Biofumigation / Brassicaceae

Glucosinolates

Enzymatic hydrolysis

/ myrosinase

Iso-thiocyanates



















High density sowing during inter-crop → High biomass

At flowering stage → Mustard crushed and immediatlely incorporated in soil

→ Toxic effects on soil-borne pathogens?

Wheat

Carrot



Crop n-2 Crop n-1

Brassica juncea biofumigation



Inter-crop / biofumigation

Carrot



Crop n









Hypothesis and objectives

Hypothesis (PhD N. Motisi, 2009)

/ Epidemiology and control of *R. solani* on sugar beet

(Motisi N. et al.,2009. Growing *Brassica juncea* as a cover crop, then incorporating its residues provide complementary control of Rhizoctonia root rot of sugar beet. *Field Crops Research*)





Direct toxic effects of ITC



Indirect effects of biofumigation:

- Nutrients from fresh biomass
- Changes in soil microbial communities

Objectives of the present study

What is the real contribution of ITC?

How epidemiological processes are affected by biofumigation?:

- quantity of primary inoculum?
- infectivity of primary inoculum through changes in microbial

communities ?)

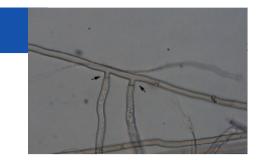








Rhizoctonia solani AG 2-2 on carrots





Early stages : post-emergence damping-off



Later: brown rot at lenticels



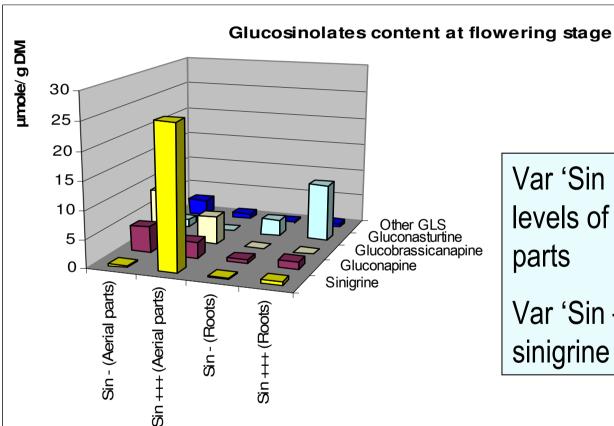






2 varieties of *Brassica juncea*, different in their glucosinolates profiles





Var 'Sin +++': very high levels of sinigrin in aerial parts

Var 'Sin —': almost no sinigrine in aerial parts

Montfort et al, 2010

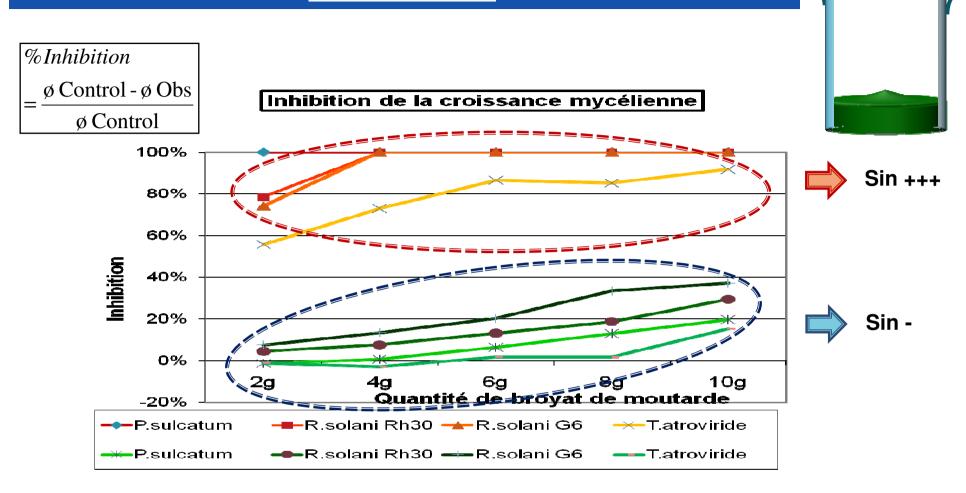








Results / in vitro



<u>Differences in toxicity in vitro</u>: Sin +++ >> Sin -<u>Différences in sensitivity in vitro</u>: pathogens >> antagonist







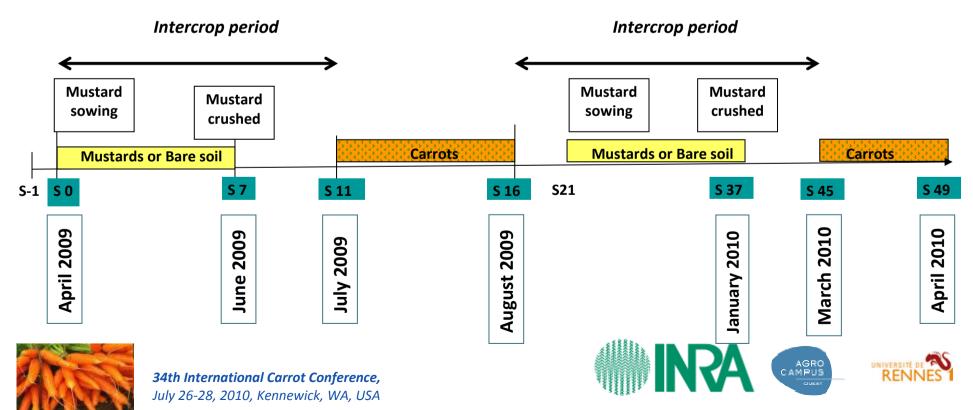


Methodology / controlled conditions





2 cycles miniaturized in large containers 'intercrop period – carrot - intercrop period – carrot'



Methodology / controlled conditions





Pathogen/Antagonist X Mustards/Bare soil

Modalities of soil infestation

RO TO

ROT1

R1 T0

R1T1

Modalities of intercrop

BS = bare soil

Sin -

Sin +++

X 4 replicates

R1 = R. solani

R0 = no R. solani

T1 = T. atroviride

T0 = no T. atroviride

Intercrop period Intercrop period Mustard Mustard Mustard Mustard crushed sowing sowing crushed **Mustards or Bare soil** Carrots Carrots **Mustards or Bare soil** S 16 **S21** S 37 S-1 **S 0** S 11 S 45



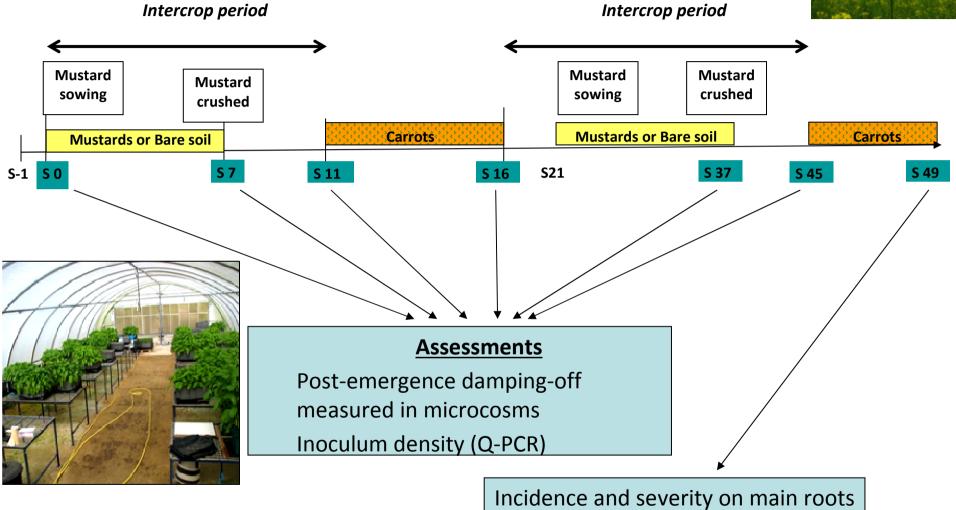






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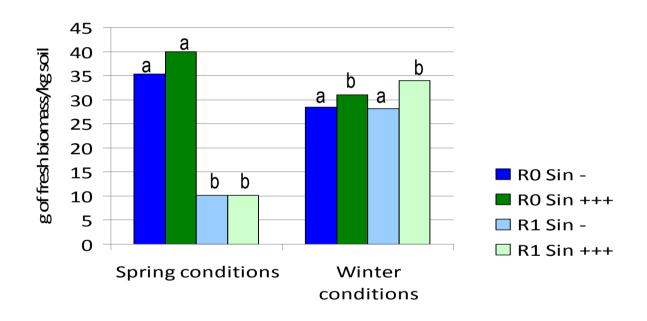








Mustard fresh biomass incorporated in soil (first and second cycle)



→ Mustard grown in spring conditions is severely attacked by *R. solani*



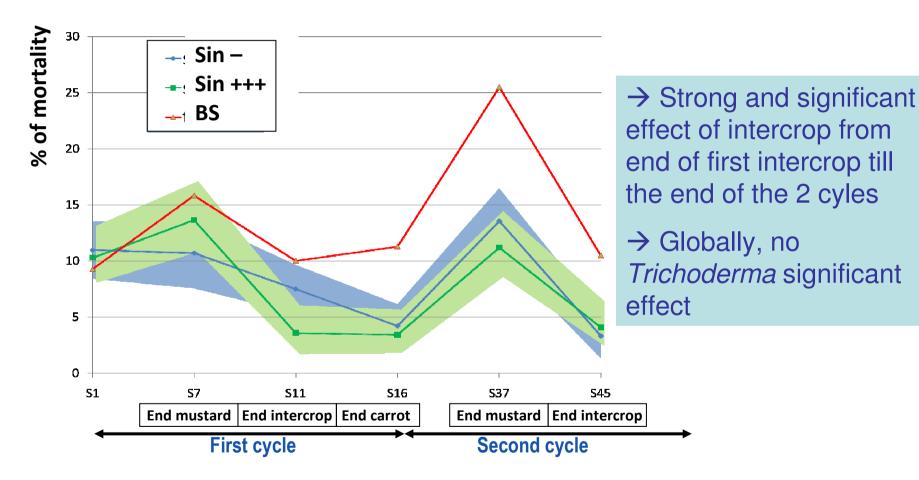






Post-emergence damping-off over time (from the beginning of the experimentation to the end of the 2 cycles)







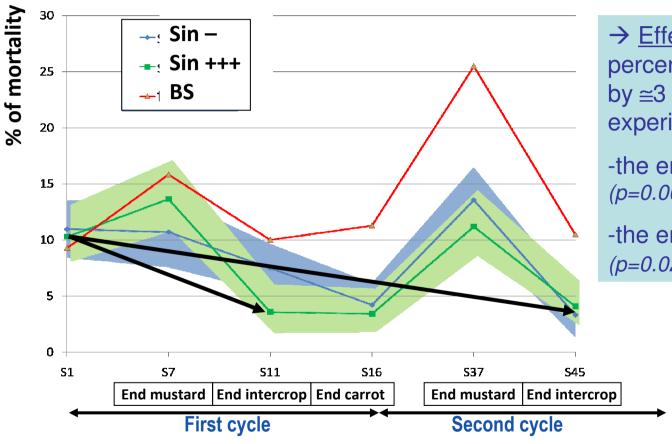






Post-emergence damping-off over time (from the beginning of the experimentation to the end of the 2 cycles)





- → Effect of intercrop : percent of mortality divided by ≅3 between beginning of experiment and :
- -the end of 1st IC for Sin+++ (p=0.007)
- -the end of 2^d IC for Sin+++ (p=0.02) and Sin- (p=0.0009)



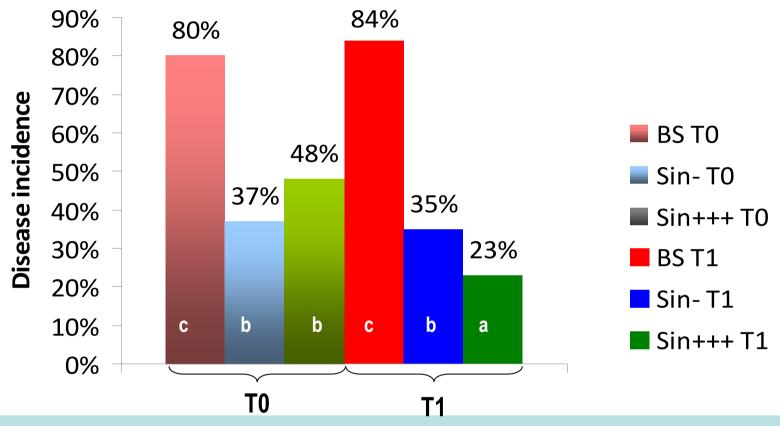








Disease incidence on tuberized roots at the end of the 2 cycles



- → Drastic and highly significant reduction of incidence of brown rot demonstrated at the end of the experiment, by <u>biofumigation</u>.
- \rightarrow The highest effect is obtained when Sin+++ is associated with *Trichoderma*.

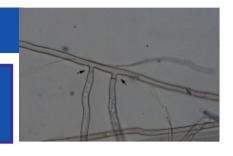


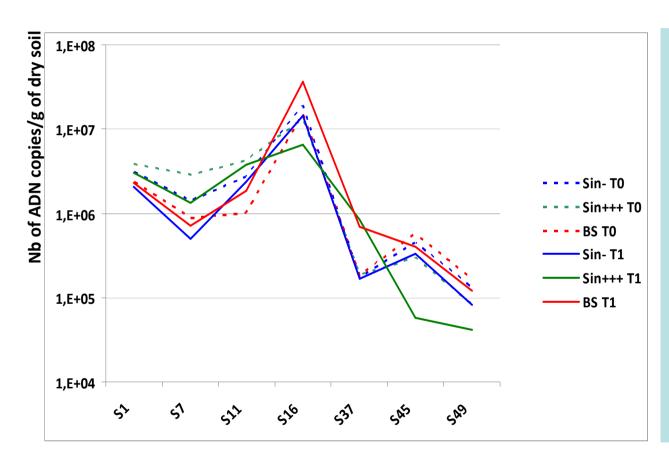






Evolution of *R. solani* ADN quantity over time (from the beginning of the experimentation to the end of the 2 cycles)





- → ADN fluctuations are more linked with time than with studied factors
- → However, some trends appear at the end of the experiment: reduction of ADN quantity when Sin+++ is associated with *Trichoderma*.
- → But methodology of quantification is not powerful enough to get highly significant effects.









Conclusions, discussion and prospects



- * Whatever the level of sinigrin, insertion of biofumigation with Brassica juncea reduces attacks of Rhizoctonia solani on carrots:
 - Damping-off on seedlings
 - Brown rot on main roots
- * This effect occurs even though *Brassica juncea* is severely attacked by *Rhizoctonia solani* in warm conditions
- * Trichoderma atroviride effect is not strong and globally no significant. But, associated with high sinigrin B. juncea, the antagonist reinforces effect of biofumigation.









Conclusions, discussion and prospects



- ★ Sin+++ or Sin- = Effects → Direct toxic effects of ITC derivated from sinigrin can't alone explain the effects of biofumigation. Other factors certainly play an important role:
 - Other GLS?
 - Nutrients from the green manure ?
- ★ Antagonist + Sin+++ = Synergy → ITC derivated from sinigrin have also indirect effects through stimulation of antagonisms
- **☆ Epidemiological processes affected:**
 - Infectivity of inoculum is assumed to be affected,
 - But primary inoculum quantity seems also to decrease...











Thank you for your attention...









