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to understand and anticipate the eco-toxicological impacts of pollutants in agricultural systems

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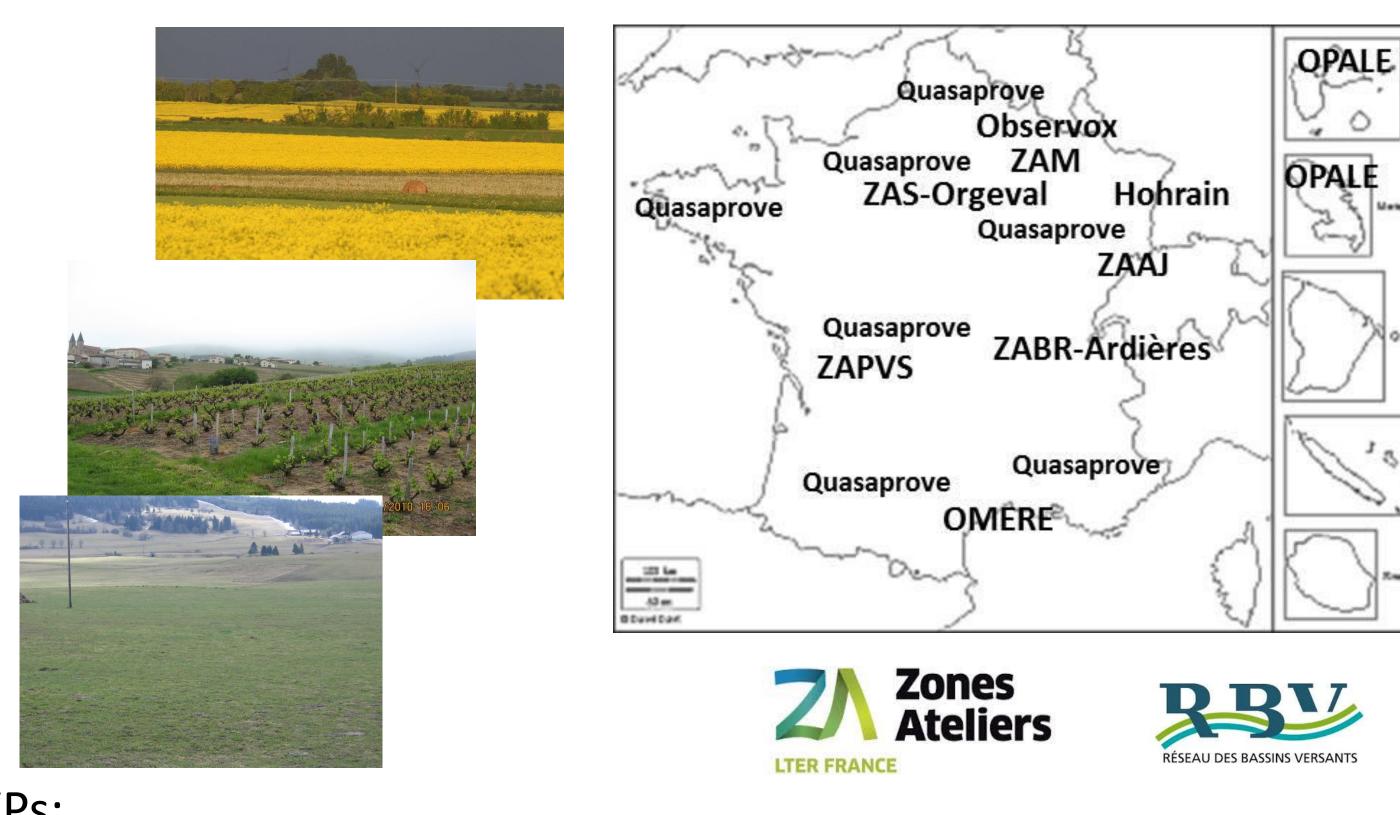
• Why RECOTOX?

For many years, the scientific community has pointed out the lack of long-term field and large-scale monitoring of the effects of chemicals on ecosystems. In addition, the ecotoxicological studies carried out involve protocols often far away from the conditions of the real world. Hence, our capacity to elucidate and predict such effects remains limited. In this respect, RECOTOX aims at:

- promoting transversal and integrated research to answer the scientific challenges of understanding and anticipating the environmental and health impacts of pesticides and biocides,
- analyzing the whole chain "pressures-exposures-impacts" by coordinating and increasing the in natura observation and experimentation dedicated to ecotoxicology and toxicology,
- sharing between its constitutive observatories/sites a common culture around ecotoxicology

What is RECOTOX?

RECOTOX is a network of sites including six observatories or sites belonging to the SOERES RBV and/or RZA, several experimental units of the network RMT Quasaprove and three observatories not included in labelled Research Infrastructures. They provide various and complementary agro-pedo-climatic situations.



The project

The scientific project of RECOTOX is organized in 5 WPs:

- promotion and organization of a transversal and integrated research on the chain "pressures-exposures-impacts",
- development of multi scale approaches, from the plot to the landscape, in diverse media (soil, water, air, biota)
- development of innovative experimental or measurement methods, standardization,
- development of a focal point for data management and distribution to scientists and stakeholders,
- communication, dissemination and exploitation of results, training.

• To a network for research in ecotoxicology?

RECOTOX interacts with the major structures and scientific networks and infrastructures dealing with ecotoxicology in France.

