### Assessment of greenhouse gas fluxes in northwestern agricultural region of Russia: measurements and modeling

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### $N_2O$

Russian agriculture accounts 7,3% of the total greenhouse gas fluxes from all anthropogenic sources.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are about 69% of the total emissions of greenhouse gases from the Russian agriculture (4<sup>th</sup> National Communication, Russia, 2006).

#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### Structure of agricultural lands in NW Russia



Federal service of state registration, cadastre and cartography, NW REGION OF RUSSIAN FEDERATION, 2008

#### **OBJECTIVES**

(1) to quantify the differences in  $N_2O$ concentrations in a profile of a loamy sand Spodosol differing in fertility

(2) to predict the  $N_2O$  and  $CO_2$  fluxes from the loamy sand Spodosol differing in fertility

### CROP ROTATIONS ON LOAMY SAND SPODOSOL AT THE MENKOVO EXPERIMENTAL STATION (59°34'N, 30°08'E)

Potato Cabbage Carrot

Beetroot

2 Winter rye <u>Spring barley</u> Red clover Oat/legume mixture

#### SCHEME OF FIELD EXPERIMENT: each plot – 25 x 60 m

#### SOIL FERTILITY AND NITROGEN RATES (kg N ha<sup>-1</sup>)



SOIL FERTILITY BEFORE APPLICATION OF FERTILIZERS		
	LOW	HIGH
<u>SOC, g C kg<sup>-1</sup> soil</u>	<u>23,0</u>	<u>25,0</u>
<u>MBC, mg C kg<sup>-1</sup> soil</u>	<u>325,7</u>	<u>553,5</u>
<u>pH</u> (H <sub>2</sub> O)	<u>5,5</u>	<u>6,5</u>
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , mg N-NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> kg <sup>-1</sup> soil	8,4	7,9
NH4 <sup>+</sup> , mg N-NH4 <sup>+</sup> kg <sup>-1</sup> soil	9,3	7,8
FIELD CAPACITY, %	<u>21,2</u>	<u>26,8</u>

#### **METHODS**

# Silicone tube method for collection of air samples for measurements of $N_2O$ and $CO_2$ concentrations in soil profile (10-15, 25-30 and 45-50 cm)



#### **METHODS**

### Closed chamber method for collection of air samples for measurements of direct $N_2O$ and $CO_2$ emission from soils



#### PREDICTION OF N<sub>2</sub>O AND CO<sub>2</sub> FLUXES FROM SOILS BY Process-based Denitrification-Decomposition (DNDC) model (Li et al., 1992): <u>www.dndc.sr.unh.edu</u>



#### **RESULTS**

#### DYNAMICS OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF PRECIPITATION FOR MAY – SEPTEMBER IN 1985-2010



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#### DYNAMICS OF MEAN AIR TEMPERATURE FOR MAY – SEPTEMBER IN 1985-2010



#### DYNAMICS OF PRECIPITATION FROM 22 MAY (142) TO 7 AUGUST (219 Julian day), 2009



#### DYNAMICS OF N<sub>2</sub>O CONCENTRATION (A) AND SOIL TEMPERATURE (B) AT THE DEPTH OF <u>10-15 CM</u>



#### DYNAMICS OF N<sub>2</sub>O CONCENTRATION (A) AND SOIL TEMPERATURE (B) AT THE DEPTH OF <u>25-30 CM</u>



#### DYNAMICS OF N<sub>2</sub>O CONCENTRATION (A) AND SOIL TEMPERATURE (B) AT THE DEPTH OF <u>45-50 CM</u>



#### DYNAMICS OF NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> CONTENT AT THE 10-CM DEPTH (DNDC MODEL)



#### DYNAMICS OF TOTAL ECOSYSTEM RESPIRATION (A) AND N<sub>2</sub>O EMISSION (B) FROM SOIL (DNDC MODEL) (A) (B)



#### DYNAMICS OF $N_2$ EMISSION (A) AND METABOLIC QUOTIENT - $qCO_2$ (B) ACCORDING TO DNDC MODEL (A) (B)



#### **CONCLUSIONS:**

- 1) The highest mean N<sub>2</sub>O concentrations were observed at the depth of 10 to 15 cm of the poor and rich soil during the growing season for spring barley.
- 2) The mean  $N_2O$  concentrations were higher in the upper 50-cm layer of the rich soil than the poor soil.
- 3) The modeled N<sub>2</sub>O fluxes, total ecosystem respiration and organic matter mineralization were greater in the poor soil than in the rich soil.

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#### DYNAMICS OF ORGANIC MATTER MINERALIZATION ACCORDING TO THE DNDC MODEL



#### **METHODS**

### DS1921G Thermochron iButtons for measurement of soil temperature



#### **INTRODUCTION**

## Sources of N<sub>2</sub>O emission from agriculture around the world



- Mineral fertisers
- Manures
- N fixed
- Crop residue
- Organic soils
- Pastures