

**Supplementary information to:**

# **Partitioning soil organic carbon into its centennially active and stable fractions with statistical models based on Rock-Eval® thermal analysis (PARTY<sub>SOC</sub>v2.0 and PARTY<sub>SOC</sub>v2.0<sub>EU</sub>)**

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**Table S1: Main changes between the first version of PARTY<sub>SOC</sub> and the second version of the model (PARTY<sub>SOCv2.0</sub> and PARTY<sub>SOCv2.0<sub>EU</sub></sub>).** Abbreviations: SOC, soil organic carbon; SOC<sub>EA</sub>: soil organic carbon content determined by elemental analysis; TOC<sub>RE6</sub>, soil organic carbon content determined by Rock-Eval® thermal analysis; MinC, soil inorganic carbon content determined by Rock-Eval® thermal analysis; LTBF, long-term bare fallow.

	First version of PARTY <sub>SOC</sub> (Cécillon et al., 2018)	PARTY <sub>SOCv2.0</sub> (This study)	PARTY <sub>SOCv2.0<sub>EU</sub></sub> (This study)
<b>Number of reference sites</b>	4	7	6
<b>Method to estimate the centennially stable SOC content at the reference sites</b>	Exclusively inferred from plant-free LTBF treatments; and calculated exclusively by modelling the decline with time of SOC initially present at the onset of the experiment	Inferred from plant-free LTBF treatments (6 sites) and from one vegetated site (La Cabaña); and estimated by modelling the decline with time of SOC initially present at the onset of the experiment, or by using a measured value of SOC content or C <sub>4</sub> -plant derived SOC that is lower than the parameter <i>c</i> of Eq. (1)	Exclusively inferred from plant-free LTBF treatments; and estimated by modelling the decline with time of SOC initially present at the onset of the experiment, or by using a measured value of SOC content or C <sub>4</sub> -plant derived SOC that is lower than the parameter <i>c</i> of Eq. (1)
<b>Method to estimate the centennially stable SOC proportion in reference topsoil samples</b>	By dividing the site-specific content of the centennially stable SOC content by the SOC <sub>EA</sub> content of topsoil samples	By dividing the site-specific content of the centennially stable SOC content by the TOC <sub>RE6</sub> or the TOC <sub>RE6</sub> +MinC content of topsoil samples	By dividing the site-specific content of the centennially stable SOC content by the TOC <sub>RE6</sub> or the TOC <sub>RE6</sub> +MinC content of topsoil samples
<b>Number of reference topsoil samples (per site)</b>	118 (unequal number of samples per site)	105 (15 samples per reference site)	90 (15 samples per reference site)
<b>Rock-Eval® predictor variables</b>	30, not directly related to SOC content, not necessarily correlated to the proportion of the centennially stable SOC fraction	18, some of them are directly related to SOC content, all are highly correlated to the proportion of the centennially stable SOC fraction (Spearman's rho > 0.5)	18, some of them are directly related to SOC content, all are highly correlated to the proportion of the centennially stable SOC fraction (Spearman's rho > 0.5)
<b>Criteria regarding the inclusion of topsoils in the</b>	None (all available reference topsoil samples are used)	Exclusion of reference topsoil samples (1) from treatments experiencing repeated	Exclusion of reference topsoil samples (1) from treatments experiencing repeated

<b>reference sample set of the model</b>	applications of compost or manure; (2) having an organic carbon yield of Rock-Eval® analysis below 86% or above 116%. Then, selection of 15 reference topsoil samples per site (1) enhancing the range of the centennially stable SOC proportion at that site; (2) having the best organic carbon yield of Rock-Eval® analysis	applications of compost or manure; (2) having an organic carbon yield of Rock-Eval® analysis below 86% or above 116%. Then, selection of 15 reference topsoil samples per site (1) enhancing the range of the centennially stable SOC proportion; (2) having the best organic carbon yield of Rock-Eval® analysis	
<b>Validation procedure for the machine learning model</b>	Mostly “random splitting” procedure, “leave-one-site-out” procedure tested only for one site (Ultuna)	Fully independent “leave-one-site-out” procedure	Fully independent “leave-one-site-out” procedure

**Table S2: Basic characteristics of the seven reference sites used for the learning set of the statistical model PARTYsocv2.0, and site-specific values of the parameter  $c$  in Eq. (1).** Most data are taken from Barré et al. (2010), Cécillon et al. (2018), Franko and Merbach (2017) and Quezada et al. (2019). Abbreviations: SFE, static fertilization experiment (V120); FE, fallow experiment (V505a).

Site, Country	Latitude, longitude [° min s]	Mean annual temperature [°C]	Mean annual precipitation [mm]	Soil type [WRB; FAO, 2014]	Land use before experiment	Sampling depth [cm]	pH (in H <sub>2</sub> O)	Soil texture [%] (clay/silt/sand)	Parameter c in Eq. (1) (g C kg <sup>-1</sup> )
<b>Versailles,</b> France	48°48'12.76"N; 2°05'09.95"E	10.7	628	Haplic Luvisol	grassland	0–25	5.6 to 6.4	17/57/26	6.22
<b>Rothamsted,</b> England	51°48'14.12"N; 0°21'41.39"E	9.5	712	Chromic Luvisol	grassland	0–23	5.2 to 6.3	25/62/13	10.46
<b>Ultuna,</b> Sweden	59°48'46.00"N; 17°39'01.75"E	5.5	533	Eutric Cambisol	arable	0–20	6.6	36/41/23	6.95
<b>Grignon,</b> France	48°51'01.35"N; 1°57'03.55"E	10.7	649	Calcaric Cambisol	grassland	0–25	8.0 to 8.3	16/54/30	7.12
<b>Askov,</b> Denmark	B3 55°28'12.89"E; 9°06'41.77"E B4 55°28'19.19"N; 9°07'00.02"E	7.8	862	Arenic Luvisol	arable	0–20	5.5 to 6.5	10/11/79	5.10
<b>Bad Lauchstädt,</b> Germany	SFE 51°23'24.34"N; 11°52'48.48"E FE 51°23'34.75"N; 11°52'39.61"E	8.9	484	Haplic Chernozem	arable	0–20 (SFE) 0–30 (FE)	6.9 to 7.4	21/68/11	16.22
<b>La Cabaña,</b> Colombia	4°16'N; 73°22'W	27	3400	Dystric Cambisol	grassland	0–10	4.0 to 4.6	30/34/36	5.12

**Table S3: List of the 105 reference topsoil samples retained as the learning set of PARTY<sub>SOCv2.0</sub>, including information on their reference site, land cover, agronomical treatment, sampling year and values for the 40 Rock-Eval® parameters considered in this study.** See the Section 2.2 for a description of the 40 Rock-Eval® parameters and their units. Supplementary Table S3 is provided as a separate csv file.

**Table S4: Basic statistics of the 40 Rock-Eval® parameters, calculated on the 105 reference topsoil samples of the learning set of the PARTY<sub>SOCv2.0</sub> statistical model.** See the Section 2.2 for a description of the 40 Rock-Eval® parameters. The 18 Rock-Eval® parameters retained as predictor variables for the second version of PARTY<sub>SOC</sub> are shown in bold.

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Rock-Eval® parameter (unit)		Mean	Median	Minimum	Maximum	Standard deviation
T10 <sub>HC_PYR</sub>	(°C)	310	309	279	343	16
T30 <sub>HC_PYR</sub>	(°C)	372	372	330	402	15
T50 <sub>HC_PYR</sub>	(°C)	422	421	389	445	12
<b>T70<sub>HC_PYR</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>465</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>T90<sub>HC_PYR</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>523</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>15</b>
T10 <sub>CO_PYR</sub>	(°C)	307	305	295	318	5
T30 <sub>CO_PYR</sub>	(°C)	358	357	346	373	6
T50 <sub>CO_PYR</sub>	(°C)	405	403	391	423	7
T70 <sub>CO_PYR</sub>	(°C)	460	458	451	477	7
T90 <sub>CO_PYR</sub>	(°C)	525	524	519	539	4
T10 <sub>CO2_PYR</sub>	(°C)	286	284	276	300	7
<b>T30<sub>CO2_PYR</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>343</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>T50<sub>CO2_PYR</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>392</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>T70<sub>CO2_PYR</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>445</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>T90<sub>CO2_PYR</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>511</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>8</b>
T10 <sub>CO_OX</sub>	(°C)	323	317	299	383	16
T30 <sub>CO_OX</sub>	(°C)	374	364	331	495	32
T50 <sub>CO_OX</sub>	(°C)	421	400	366	578	46
<b>T70<sub>CO_OX</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>481</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>52</b>
T90 <sub>CO_OX</sub>	(°C)	568	547	477	776	64
T10 <sub>CO2_OX</sub>	(°C)	327	326	318	358	6
T30 <sub>CO2_OX</sub>	(°C)	375	374	363	405	8
<b>T50<sub>CO2_OX</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>417</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>T70<sub>CO2_OX</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>469</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>T90<sub>CO2_OX</sub></b>	(°C)	<b>540</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>12</b>
I-index	(unitless)	0.18	0.17	0.02	0.37	0.08
R-index	(unitless)	0.59	0.59	0.47	0.70	0.05

TLHC-index	(unitless)	0.63	0.64	0.53	0.72	0.05
<b>HI</b>	<b>(mg HC g<sup>-1</sup> C)</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>58</b>
OI <sub>RE6</sub>	(mg O <sub>2</sub> g <sup>-1</sup> C)	183	184	146	246	21
<b>TOC<sub>RE6</sub></b>	<b>(g C kg<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>7.3</b>
MinC	(g C kg <sup>-1</sup> )	2.7	1.7	0.6	12.5	2.8
<b>PC</b>	<b>(g C kg<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2.2</b>
<b>S2</b>	<b>(g C kg<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>1.6</b>
<b>PseudoS1</b>	<b>(g C kg<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>0.12</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0.51</b>	<b>0.07</b>
PseudoS1/PC	(unitless)	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.11	0.02
PseudoS1/TOC <sub>RE6</sub>	(unitless)	0.008	0.007	0.003	0.023	0.004
<b>S2/PC</b>	<b>(unitless)</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>0.54</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>0.09</b>
<b>PC/TOC<sub>RE6</sub></b>	<b>(unitless)</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.14</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.05</b>
<b>HI/OI<sub>RE6</sub></b>	<b>(mg HC mg<sup>-1</sup> O<sub>2</sub>)</b>	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.74</b>	<b>0.43</b>	<b>1.92</b>	<b>0.39</b>

**Table S5: Sensitivity of model performance to the reference sites included in the learning set, using 15 topsoil samples from the sites of Grignon (a) or Versailles (b) as test sets.** Site-specific performance statistics are calculated on a test set made of topsoil samples from Grignon or Versailles. Abbreviations are defined in Section 2.5.

a		Grignon topsoil samples used as test set (n = 15)					
Composition of the learning set		6 reference sites (PARTY <sub>SOCv2.0</sub> , Grignon out)	5 reference sites (PARTY <sub>SOCv2.0<sub>EU</sub></sub> , Grignon out)	4 reference sites (Ultuna, Versailles, Rothamsted, Askov)	3 reference sites (Ultuna, Versailles, Askov)	2 reference sites (Versailles, Askov)	
		R <sup>2</sup> <sub>OOB</sub>	0.82	0.88	0.79	0.86	0.88
		RMSEP <sub>OOB</sub>	0.09	0.07	0.08	0.06	0.06
		R <sup>2</sup>	0.56	0.44	0.86	0.82	0.87
		RMSEP	0.11	0.18	0.07	0.06	0.07
		rRMSEP	0.18	0.28	0.11	0.10	0.10
		RPIQ	0.74	0.47	1.22	1.36	1.27
		Bias	0.088	0.157	0.003	-0.035	-0.042

  

b		Versailles topsoil samples used as test set (n = 15)					
Composition of the learning set		6 reference sites (PARTY <sub>SOCv2.0</sub> , Versailles out)	5 reference sites (PARTY <sub>SOCv2.0<sub>EU</sub></sub> , Versailles out)	4 reference sites (Ultuna, Grignon, Askov, Rothamsted)	3 reference sites (Ultuna, Grignon, Askov)	2 reference sites (Ultuna, Grignon)	
		R <sup>2</sup> <sub>OOB</sub>	0.85	0.89	0.83	0.89	0.85
		RMSEP <sub>OOB</sub>	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.05
		R <sup>2</sup>	0.48	0.66	0.79	0.83	0.79
		RMSEP	0.17	0.14	0.13	0.10	0.11
		rRMSEP	0.28	0.24	0.23	0.17	0.19
		RPIQ	1.77	2.08	2.20	2.90	2.67
		Bias	0.036	0.018	0.052	0.006	0.025

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