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# **Evaluation of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Farming Soils Treated**

## with Manure

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#### Abstract

Manure application has been suggested as an effective method of reducing climate change. The amount of greenhouse gas emissions caused by manure application to agricultural soils across environmental situations is yet unknown, though. Here, we combined information from 379 observations and quantified how emissions to manure (OM) compared to chemical fertilizers (MF) or non-fertilizers (NF) in terms of how much nitrous oxide ( $N_2O$ ), carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ), and methane ( $CH_4$ ) emissions were produced in the soil. The findings demonstrated that OM significantly affected  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  emissions when compared to MF (percentage change: 3, +15, and +60%, P0.05) and NF (percentage change: +289, +84, and +83%, P0.05), respectively. Nevertheless, contrasted to MF in upland soils, OM reduced soil  $N_2O$  emission by 13%, soil  $CH_4$  emissions varied between OM and MF by 3%, 36%, and +84%, respectively (i.e., OM minus MF). Techniques like switching from agrochemicals to manure and reducing the nitrate source of raw materials must be carefully evaluated and modified for the varied various soils and weather conditions of the nation to minimize GHG emissions.

Keywords: Nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), emissions to manure (OM), chemical fertilizers (MF), and non-fertilizers (NF).

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## 1. Introduction

The agricultural industry is responsible for 11 percent of the world's total emissions of man-made greenhouse gases (IPCC, 2019). More than half of all anthropogenic  $N_2O$  emissions come from agricultural land that has been fertilized [1]. Lowering agricultural GHG emissions would have a positive effect on the stratospheric ozone layer since it would lower the emissions' global warming potential (GWP). Carbon (C) sequestration is boosted by various agricultural management strategies, but greenhouse gas emissions are also increased. Methane  $(CH_4)$ , nitrogen oxide  $(N_2O)$ , and carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$ emissions using Earth's surface are generally accepted as the primary cause of climate change. Agriculture was the first indicator of rising anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions. Around 10-14% of worldwide greenhouse gas emissions are attributable to agricultural soil and its inputs like manure application and synthetic fertilizers [2].

In the interest of conserving natural resources and the environment, as well as cutting down on emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG), we need to devise novel approaches for ensuring food safety. It is anticipated that by the year 2030, the gases methane ( $CH_4$ ) and nitrous oxide  $(N_2 0)$  outputs would have increased by between 35 and 60 percent respectively. Rice-based cropping systems may release significant volumes of  $N_2 0$  throughout the rice season, and flood-inundated rice soils are a significant source of global Pollutants [3]. Life cycle greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution of modern biomass energy sources may be significantly impacted by crop nutrient management practices. When applied more than crop nutrient needs, synthetic fertilizers may have unanticipated negative repercussions (such as evaporation to the atmosphere, diminished soil quality, and nutrient discharge), yet are nevertheless ubiquitous in modern farming soils [4].

The worldwide atmosphere has been significantly changing, defined by heating, due to the growth of the world economy and energy consumption over the past hundred years. Human-caused greenhouse gas emissions are the primary driver of climate change. So, mitigation of climate change requires either a decrease in human greenhouse gas emissions or an increase in atmospheric absorption of these gases [5]. The Haber-Bosch process [6] is the standard method by that N-fertilizers are produced. It is a method that uses a lot of energy to produce ammonia by combining air-extracted nitrogen with hydrogen, which typically comes 183

from natural gas's  $CH_4$ . Then, from this ammonia, N-fertilizers may be made, most notably urea (CO(NH<sub>2</sub>)2) and ammonium nitrate (NH<sub>4</sub> NO<sub>3</sub>), which, according to the International Fertilizers Industry Association, make up about 75% of all primary N-fertilizer usage worldwide (IFA, 2019). A comprehensive assessment of the literature was conducted to determine the GHG emissions caused by the production, processing, and application of synthetic fertilizers (N, P, and K), soil conditioner, highest in the region, and organic manure.

Using the static chamber technique [7], gas samples were taken every week for a month after sowing and then every two weeks until the crop was harvested. Mostly long-term storage of biochar in the terrestrial carbon pool through agricultural and forest soils, a variety of research is available. The effect of applying biochar to soils has attracted significant scholarly and commercial attention over the last twenty years. The dominant terrestrial greenhouse gas is the soil. It has been claimed that biochar may be securely retained in soils for millennia provided it is created under the right circumstances to ensure carbon stabilization [8].

The research on GHG discharges from the manufacture, handling, and using artificial chemicals, manures, digestates, and manures was carefully reviewed. This study [9] emphasizes the significant variability in research on carbon output and verifies the significant negative effects of these concerns on the accuracy and reliability of GHG forecasts for organic manure. The process of compositing is a way to recycle organic waste and the nutrients they contain [10]. Life forms in the compost material turn the organic matter into more stable humic substances. Compost that has reached maturity may be used either as green manure or a biofertilizer. The research study includes some debates and mostly focuses on U.S. instances incorporating a vehicle stock and using the model with the national vehicle mile traveled (VMT) and speed database of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to calculate the impact of AV introduction on the fuel consumption of the U.S. snippet transportation system [11]. Techniques [12], the integrated assessment model (IAM), and the life cycle assessment (LCA) are primarily used to determine the potential for reducing climate change. IAM is used to examine macro-scale climate plans and scenarios by evaluating GHG reduction abilities at the global level under simplified criteria.

In terms of both provincial and federal levels, statistical analysis is the approach that is most frequently utilized since the sample is extensive and readily available [13].In industrialized nations all over the world, several research initiatives concentrate on assessing the production of greenhouse gas emissions and regulations for the examination of various energy elements [14]. The studies start with a description of each nation's productive sectors before moving on to the creation and use of models that allow for the analysis of both the power consumption and the effects of various energy policies across diverse circumstances. The Worldwide Energy Agency researches the availability of energy in various parts of the world while taking various factors into account. For instance, it has created an econometric model that projects the rates of electrification in emerging nations while taking into account factors like population, promotions, and energy prices, Das et al., 2023

among other things [15]. In this paper, we determine the evaluation of the greenhouse gas contribution to cost savings and treated farming soils with manure.

## 2. Methodology

## 2.1 Data sources and selection

The literature search employed the terms GHGs, oxides of nitrogen, carbon dioxide, methane fumes, livestock (including pigs, cows, and hogs), poultry, sheep, and horses), composting, manure, dung, and soil conditioner. This research compared the effects of applying manure compared to agrochemicals and semi fertilizer on GHG emissions, and 90 publications in total were chosen for the meta-analysis. In particular, the journals were chosen according to the factors that included the following: 1) Field experiments were conducted on cropland; 2) each treatment included at least three replications; 3) the trials included the application of manure as well as using NF or the MF treatments; and 4) N responses in aggregate can be presented or maybe guessed.

Similarly, we compared the effects of manure treatments on GHG emissions to those of materials and nonfertilizers (OM vs. NF and OM vs. MF separately). Hence, OM treatments were separated into manure alone and N, P, and K combined with OM (OM+CF). In farmers' operations, Manure can be implemented alone or along with inorganic fertilizer, and it can provide an equal volume of nutrients or several. Nitrogen (N), phosphorous (P), and potassium (K) than MF treatments during a single study.

To examine the effect of using the same quantity of nitrogen as an input, OM on GHG emissions, the total nitrogen intakes from research works were far split as "different" or "same" for Manure-only, chemical-only, or chemical, N+manure procedures. The update brings averages and variations from the norm (or standard errors), and yearly total emissions of  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$ . The dataset for each investigation included the total soil  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  emissions (kg ha1) during a crop growth season. The 90 articles chosen for the synthesis study included 42 papers on  $CH_4$  emission, 57 papers on  $N_20$  release (57 highland soils and 28 rice fields), and 44  $CO_2$  emission publications (44 highland soils and 27 farmlands) (10 upland soils and 32 rice paddies) The range for clay content was 0 to 20 cm. Each initial study's dataset was created using the following data: crop variety, feedback rate of N in biological and manure treatments, unique location (longitude and latitude), and trial length, the investigation began with soil pH, organic material, and TN.

## 2.2 Preparation of Data

The static chamber data showed cumulative  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  emissions (kg C or N ha1) throughout grain, millet, paddy, and growing seasons, were gathered. To evaluate manure-induced soil GHG emissions under varied environmental and soil conditions, a meta-analysis was also performed. For each case study, the chosen variables M, SD, and n were used taken from publications. If a study only

provided standard errors (SE), the standard deviation (SD) was determined by,

$$HW = HV\sqrt{m} (1)$$

The effects of applying manure on gas emissions were evaluated using Standard deviations (SD), size of the sample (n), and means (M) (lnRR), which were determined by

$$RmII = Im\left(\frac{\bar{c}_g}{\bar{c}_x}\right) = Im(\bar{c}_g) - Im(\bar{c}_x) (2)$$

If t and c stand for the corresponding treatments and controls, x is the average of the variable x corresponding to a procedure or a reference.

The weighted response ratio (RR++), standard deviation (SD), and 95% confidence interval (CI) were also calculated

$$d_{rq} = \frac{1}{v}(3)$$

$$e = \frac{HW_g^2}{m_g \bar{c}_g^2} + \frac{HW_i^2}{m_g \bar{c}_g^2}(4)$$

$$II_{++} = \frac{\sum_{c=1}^n \sum_{q=1}^{pr} d_{rq} II_{rq}}{\sum_{c=1}^n \sum_{q=1}^{pr} d_{rq}}(5)$$

$$H(II_{++}) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{c=1}^n \sum_{q=1}^{pr} d_{rq}}}(6)$$

$$95\% xr = II_{++} \pm 1.96H(II_{++})$$
(7)

Where the total amount of diagnosis and comparison data controls, accordingly the number of samples in the treatment and relation controls.

The circumstances were deemed to imply a substantial increase (>0) or decrease (>0) in such two parameters when compared with the control group if the combined  $CO_2$ ,  $N_2O$ , and  $CH_4$  discharge 95% confidence interval could not drop inside zero (P>0.05). Nevertheless, if it was greater than zero, there was no appreciable difference between that variable's reaction to the application of manure and MF or NF. The equation of (InRR++1) 100%, which has been used before, was utilized to compute the amount a measure of how much  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4OM$  emissions were different from NF and MF emissions.

A Gaussian function has been used to depict frequency distributions of lnRR to highlight how differently manure treatment results varied between trials (i.e., normal distribution)

$$b = \alpha v^{\frac{(c-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}(8)$$

When y signifies the prevalence of lnRR values throughout a period, x is the period's mean for lnRR, and 2 denotes indicates a coefficient showing the average and variance of all lnRR readings, accordingly, the estimated average of lnRR at x.

#### 2.3 Statistic evaluation

The software METAWIN 2.1 was the tool for the meta-analysis. Soil requirement, climatic type, soil pH, TN, SOM, and total N consumption were class factors utilized to assess the effects sizes of comparisons of the circumstances mentioned above. Because crops and upland soils give off  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  in very different amounts, the meta-OM analysis's comparative effects were split into two groups: rice paddies and highland compost. Also, only the negative emission value comparisons were removed and adjusted to positive numbers for the meta-analysis to investigate how OM affects  $CH_4$  uptake in highland soils.

The seven category factors (type of farm use, climate, measured the soil's pH, SOM and TN experimental content, and total N intake into account consideration while calculating effect sizes and conducting a thorough evaluation of soil helps give off  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$ . Rice was grown on paddy soils, while crops were grown in highland areas with or without irrigation. Agricultural soils were dominated by three primary climatic types: subtropical monsoon climate, temperate monsoon climate, and temperate continental climate. Two classifications of soil pH were established: pH7 (alkaline soils) 5. 10.0 (low), the four ranges of g DM/kg soil were 0.0-10.0 (low), 21.0-35.0 (medium), and >35.0 (rich) SOM that was employed. Four categories of soil TN were also established: 0.5, 0.5-1.0, 1.0–2.0, and >2.0 g N/kg soil are considered poor, medium, and rich, respectively. The quantity of total N intake is either equal or not in the MF and OM treatments, and this has a significant impact on GHG emissions. GHG emissions in OM were compared to MF at the same level of total nitrogen input based on the quantity of total nitrogen intake. Data were normally distributed using SigmaPlot 11.0 (Systat Software).

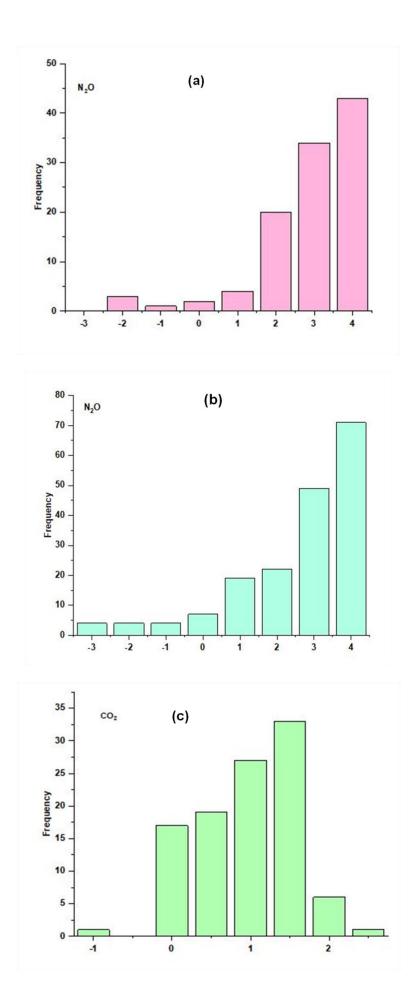
## 3. Results and Discussions

#### 3.1 GHG releases' reactions to OM

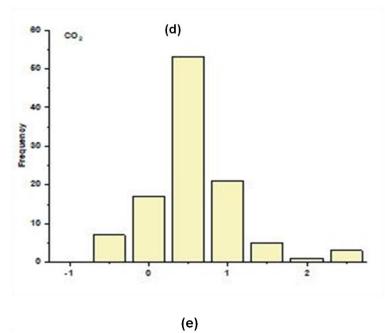
Figure 1 depicts the soil  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  greenhouse gas reaction ratios to NF, MF, and OM. Overall, the response ratios between OM and NF were higher than those between OM and MF. With an average value of 1.240.036 (mean95% CI, similar to below) for  $N_2O$ , 0.5170.072 for  $CO_2$ , and 0.5770.047 for  $CH_4$  (Figure. 1a,c, and e), or a rise of 289%, 84%, and 83%, respectively, in contrast to the NF, OM list considerably enhanced  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$  fluxes. In addition, manure treatment increased C and N fuxes compared to MF by a mean of 0.0740.028 for  $N_2O$ , 0.1010.016 for  $CO_2$ , and 0.4320.038 for  $CH_4$  (P0.001; Figure. 1b,d, and f), or 3%, 15%, and 60%, accordingly.

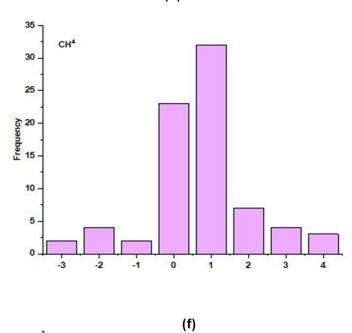
#### 3.2 Results of a conceptual on GHG outflow

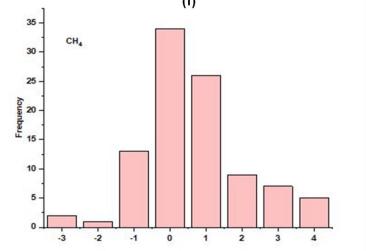
When assessed against the outcomes of the group analysis, manure treatment consistently enhanced soil  $N_2$ ,  $O_2$ , and  $CH_4$  emissions of NF, but the impact of OM when compared to MF was considerably impacted by land uses, namely highland soils and paddy soils (Figure. 2).



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**Figure 1**: Response ratio for  $N_2O(a, b), CO_2$  (c,d) and  $CH_4$  (e, f).

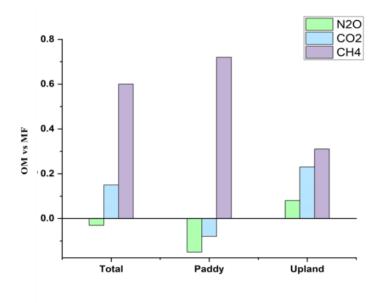
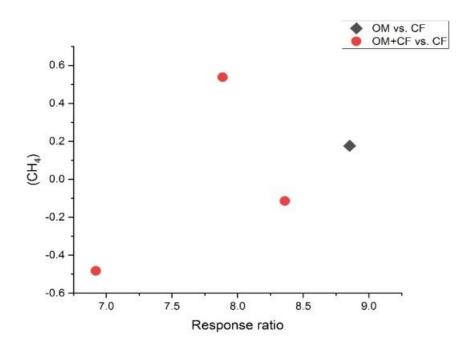


Figure 2: Meta-analysis results on GHGs emissions in upland soils and paddy soil



**Figure 3**: CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (CH<sub>4</sub> emission for paddies and uptake for upland) affected by manure Application (OM+CF and OM)

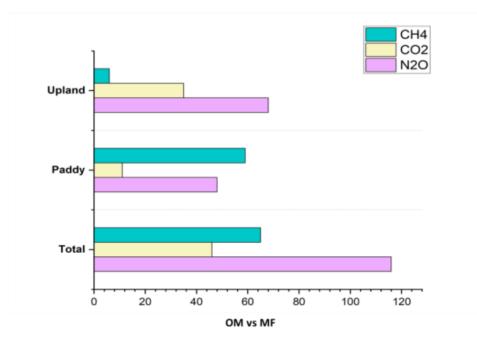


Figure 4: N<sub>2</sub>O, CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (CH<sub>4</sub> emission for paddies and uptake for upland) affected by manure application compared to chemical fertilizers with same amount of N input

**Table 1:** Emission of  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $CH_4$ 

	OM vs MF		
	<i>N</i> <sub>2</sub> <i>O</i>	<i>CO</i> <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>
Total	-0.03	0.15	0.6
Paddy	-0.15	-0.08	0.72
Upland	0.08	0.23	0.31

Values	Frequency
-3	2
-2	1
-1	13
0	34
1	26
2	9
3	7
4	5

**Table 2:** Frequency of  $N_2O$ ,  $CO_2$ ,  $CH_4$  emissions

In particular, OM significantly enhanced  $N_2O$  and  $CO_2$  emissions in comparison to NFby Paddy soils were 166% and 68%, and highland soils were 347% and 89%, respectively (Figure. 2). Manure reduced soil  $CO_2$  emissions by 8% at paddy soils as compared to MF, while it increased them by 23% in highland soils (P<0.05;Figure 2). On upland

soils, OM increased  $N_2O$  emission, whereas paddy soils decreased it by 15%.

Figure. 3 shows the amount of GHG released from OM+CF soils compared to NF and MF. $N_2O$  emissions from soils with OM were 14% lower across all land uses than those from soils with MF, whereas the emissions in OM+CF were 3%

more intensive than those in MF(Figure.3). In paddy soils, both OM and OM+CF reduced  $N_2O$  emission relative to MF (by 24% and 7%, respectively), whereas OM lowered but OM+CF increased soil  $N_2O$  emission in upland soils. This is specifically true for different land uses. In addition, it should be noted that OM emitted 9% less soil  $N_2O$  than MF despite the same N intake (Figure. 4).

On hills environments, OM increased  $CH_4$  uptake by 56% and 31% over NF and MF(Figure. 2).OM increased  $CH_4$  absorption by 12% at the same N intake as MF(Figure. 4). Compared to MF, OM+CF increased soil  $CH_4$  absorbing by 34%. OM's influence was not explored due to inadequate data (Figure. 3).

## **3.3 GHG emission characteristics**

 $N_2O$  discharge was generally increased by OM compared to NF but reduced compared to MF. Also, the effect of OM was influenced by the kind of environment, the acidity of the soil, the soil TN, and the amount of organic matter in the soil (Figure. 5a and b). In moderate rainy soils, OM lowered  $N_20$  production by 14% in agricultural soil and 11% in highlands compared to MF, whereas NF increased it by 81% and 18%. OM, unlike NF and MF, increased  $N_2O$ emission Although it was reduced in highland soils, and crop soils in the temperate continental monsoon environment. In the subtropical monsoon setting, upland soils had the highest soil  $N_20$  emission response to OM (RR++=2.09 compared to NF and 0.69 compared to MF),whereas paddy soils had the lowest (RR++=0.17 compared to MF). Acidic farming soils (pH < 7.0) emitted more  $N_2O$ than calcareous soils. Particularly, acid soil  $N_2O$  emission RR++ was 1.4 (OM vs. NF) to 6.9 times (OM vs. MF) greater than alkaline soils. Nevertheless, acid soils had lower RR++ than saline soil for rice cultivars.

## 4. Conclusions

OM enhanced soil  $N_2O$  emission more than NF and MF in all meta-analyses. OM also enhancedCH<sub>4</sub> discharges and absorption in paddy and upland soils compared to MF. OM considerably increased  $CO_2$  emission in highland soils but not paddy soils. The meta-analysis indicated that temperature kinds, soil pH, soil TN, land usage, and SOM content greatly affected fertilizer treatment on the soil. GHG emissions. These aspects must be thoroughly considered to improve fertilization techniques to decrease GHGs. For the same N inputs, manure application dramatically lowered soil  $N_2O$  compared to MF in agricultural soils, increased soil 36% lessCO2 emissionsand 84% lessCH4 emissions. The soils with OM had lower  $N_2O$  and  $CO_2$  emissions than MF and OM+CF. OM produced less soil N20, CO2 emissions, and  $CH_4$  absorption than MF in alkaline soils, a moderate rainy, and a total N 0.5 to 1.0 g kg1. Switching from MF to OM and lowering the N application rate cut GHG emissions. Finally, our research on GHG emissions responses to manure application in agricultural soils may help verify soil processing models and fill gaps in comparative studies on farming soil-derived GHG emissions.

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