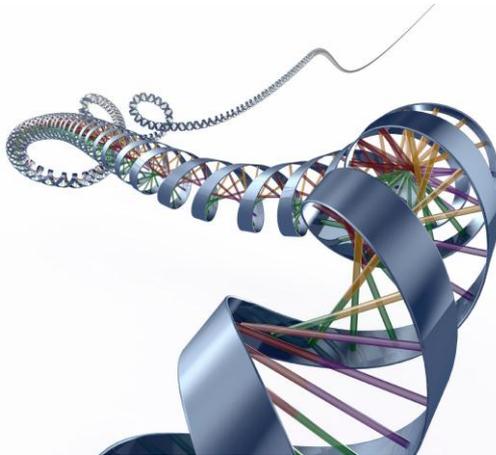


Input and distribution of rice root-derived carbon in plant-soil-micro-ecological system following ^{14}C continuous labeling



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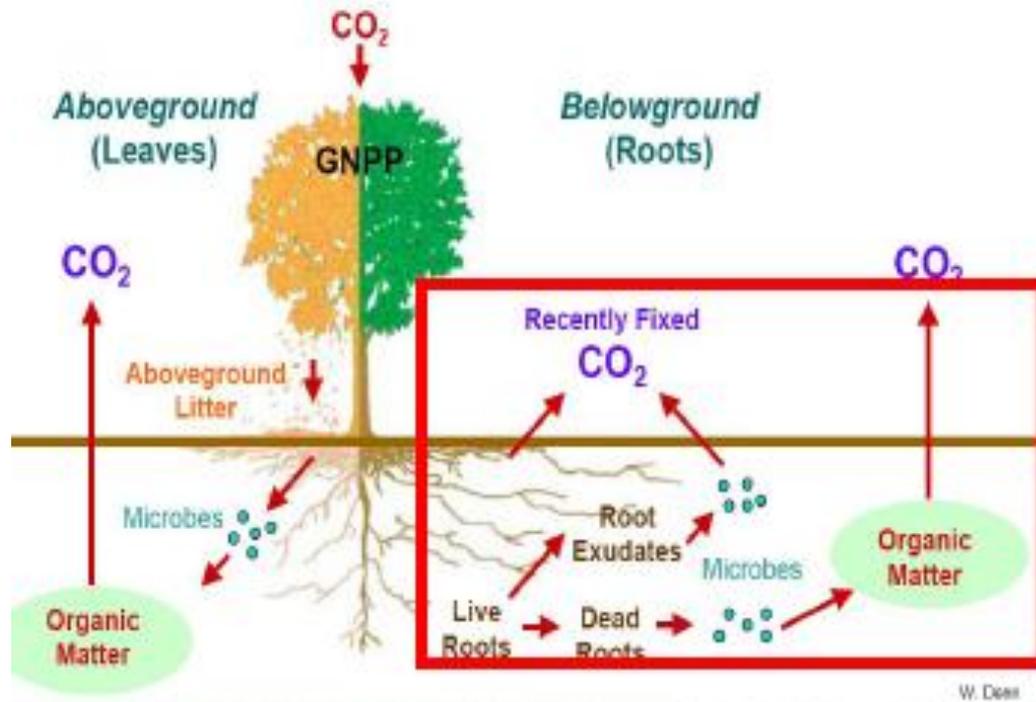
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Background (1)

- ❖ Photosynthetic C is an important component in the C cycling of atmosphere-plant-soil system, and the main source of soil organic C



Giardina et al. (2002)

Background (2)

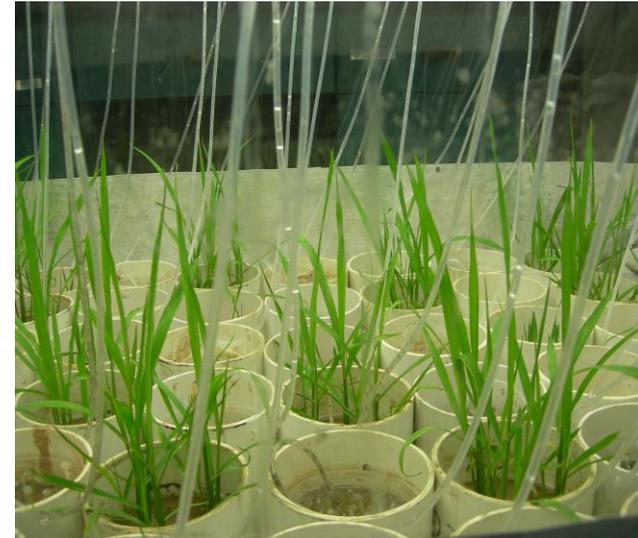
- ❖ The estimated total contribution of photosynthates to MBC amounted to 91 mg C plant⁻¹, corresponding to 28% of total MBC at the end of the season or a 100% increase in MBC over the growing season (Lu 2002).
- ❖ Only about 2%–5% of net plant C assimilation is retained in the soil (Hüscher et al., 2002).
- ❖ Currently, little known about the new C input to soil C pools and its potential contribution to more stable soil C storage

Objective

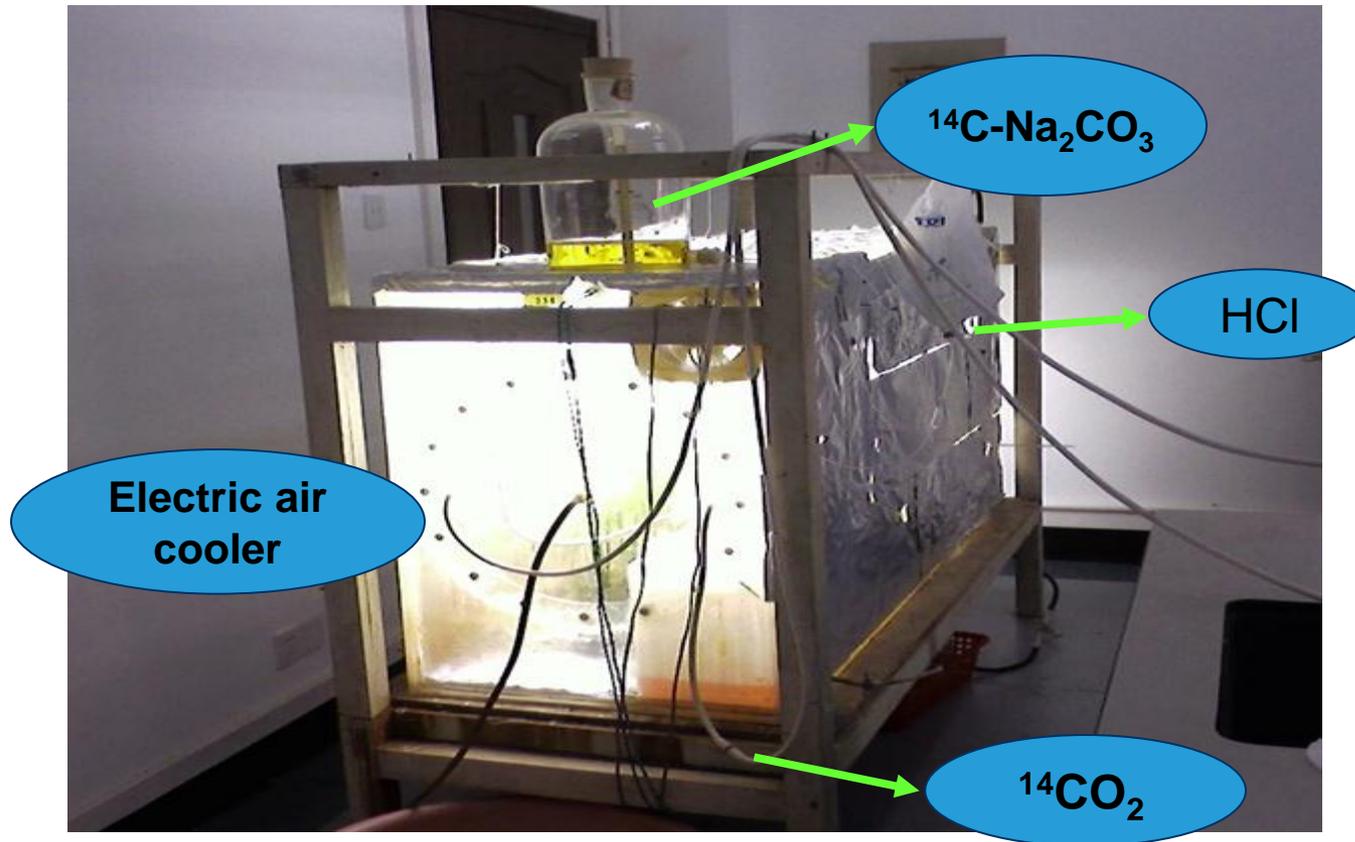
- ❖ **To understand the root-derived C dynamics in the soil-plant-microbial ecosystem**
- ❖ **To investigate the influence of rice-photosynthesized C inputs on changes in mineralization (i.e. priming effects) of the native SOC pool after rice harvest**

Materials and methods

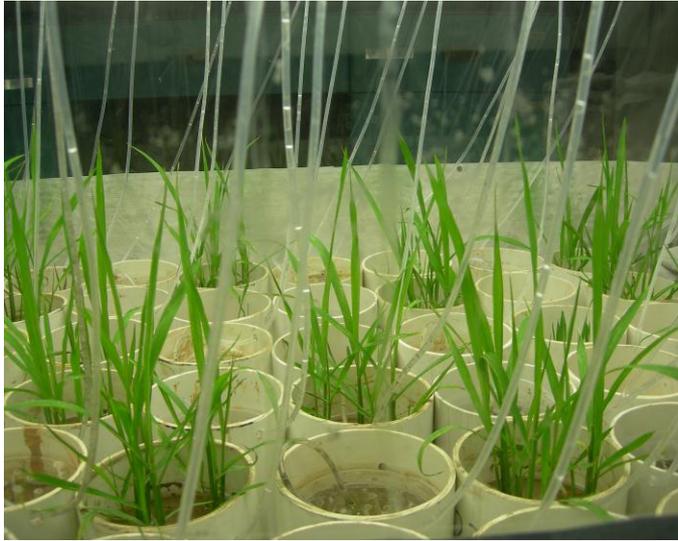
- ❖ **Crop: Rice (Two-line hybrid rice *Peiyliangyou* 288)**
- ❖ **Soils: Four typical paddy soils (P1,P2, P3, P4)**
- ❖ **^{14}C tracing technique: Generated through the reaction between $^{14}\text{C}\text{-Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ and HCl**
- ❖ **Two principal treatments were set up:**
 - rice-planted paddy soil
 - unplanted paddy soil
- ❖ **Harvest time: 80 d after ^{14}C labeling**
- ❖ **Indices analysis**
 $^{14}\text{C}\text{-SOC}$, $^{14}\text{C}\text{-DOC}$, $^{14}\text{C}\text{-MBC}$



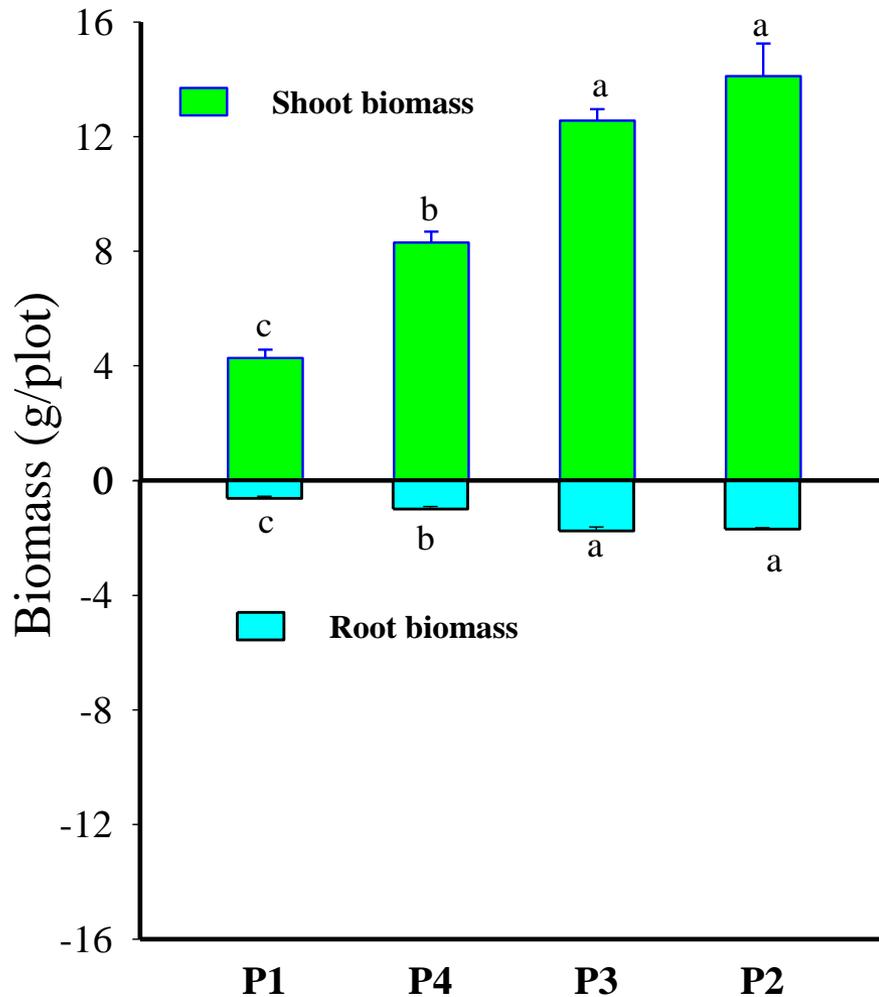
Experimental system



- $^{14}\text{C-CO}_2$ concentration: 270-350 ppm;
- relative humidity: 80%–90%
- day/night temperatures: $31 \pm 1^\circ \text{ C} / 24 \pm 1^\circ \text{ C}$
- light intensit: 12 h, $500 \text{ mmol photons m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ PAR



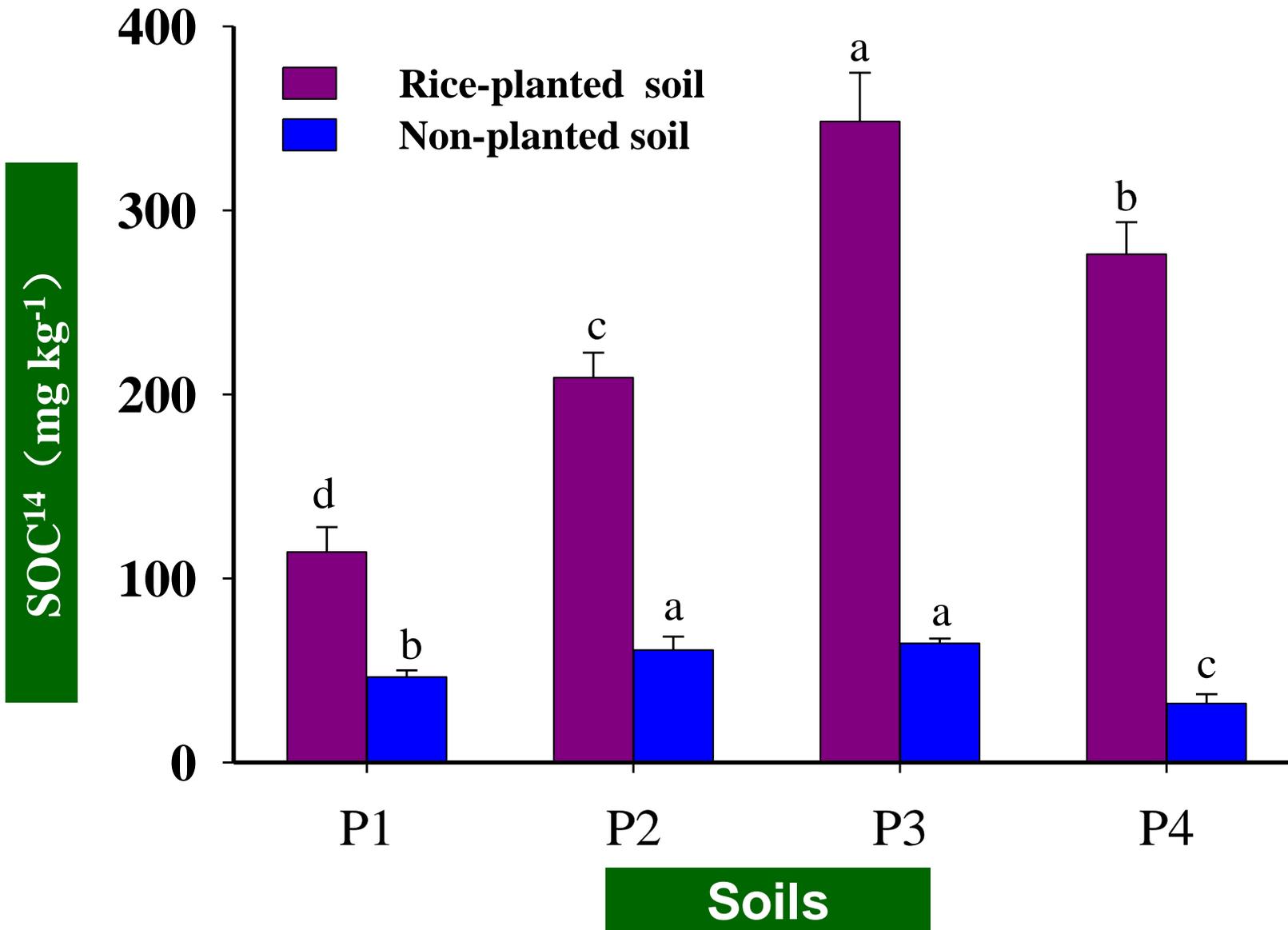
Amounts of rice biomass in four different paddy soils after continuous labelling for 80 days



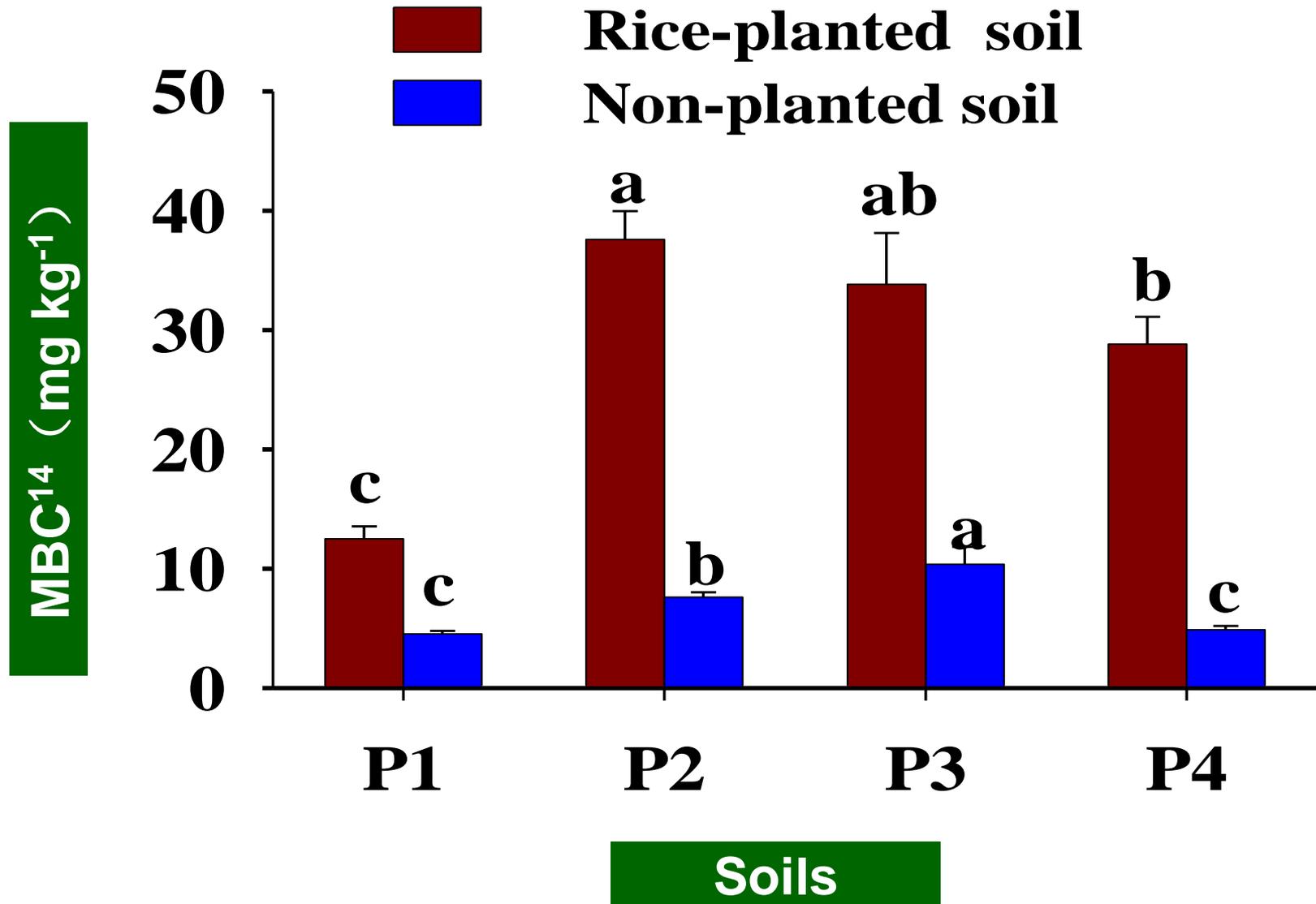
^{14}C -SOC/ rice biomass C (%)

P1	5.42 a
P2	5.62 ab
P3	5.55ab
P4	4.09b

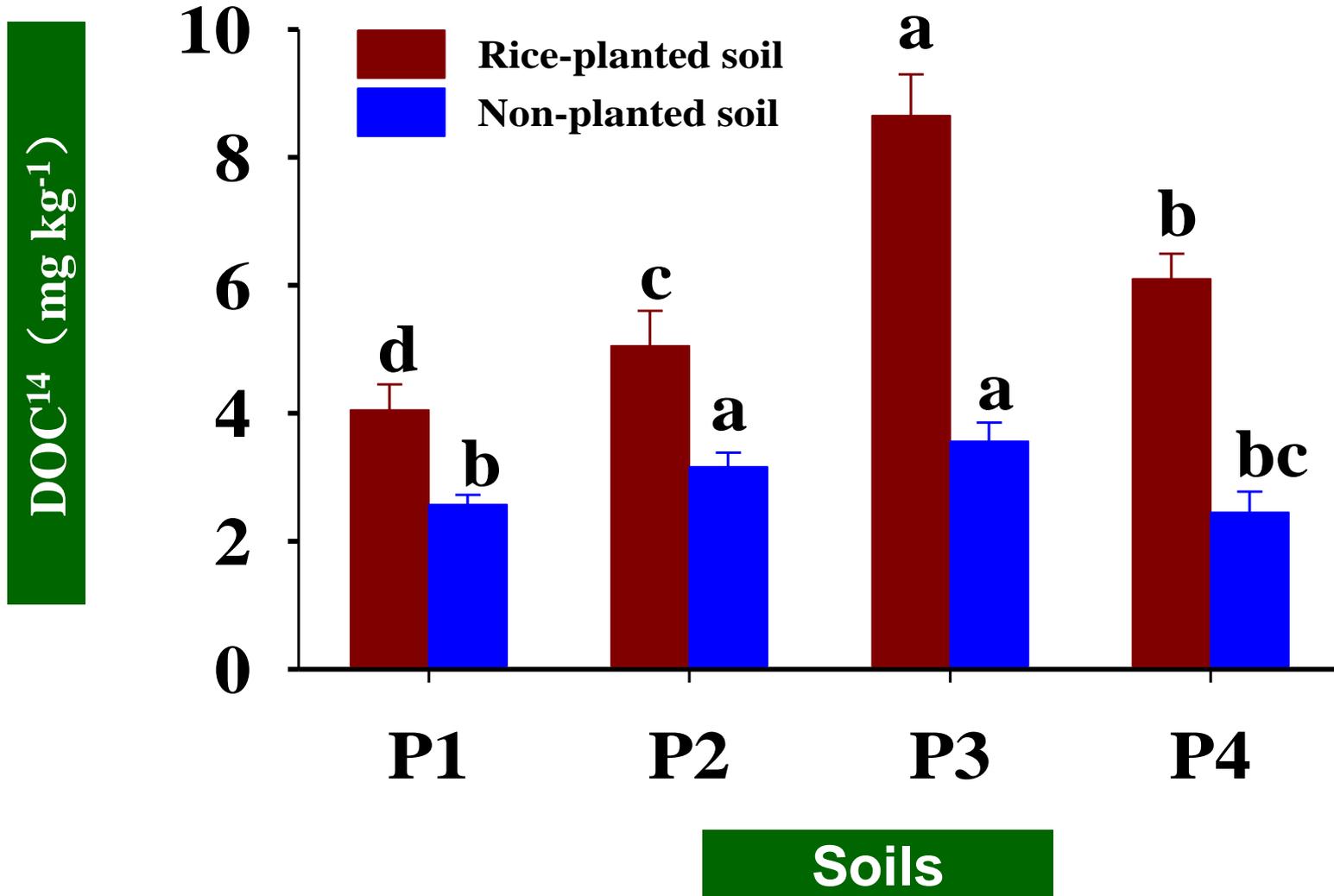
Contribution of photosynthesized C to SOC in different soils



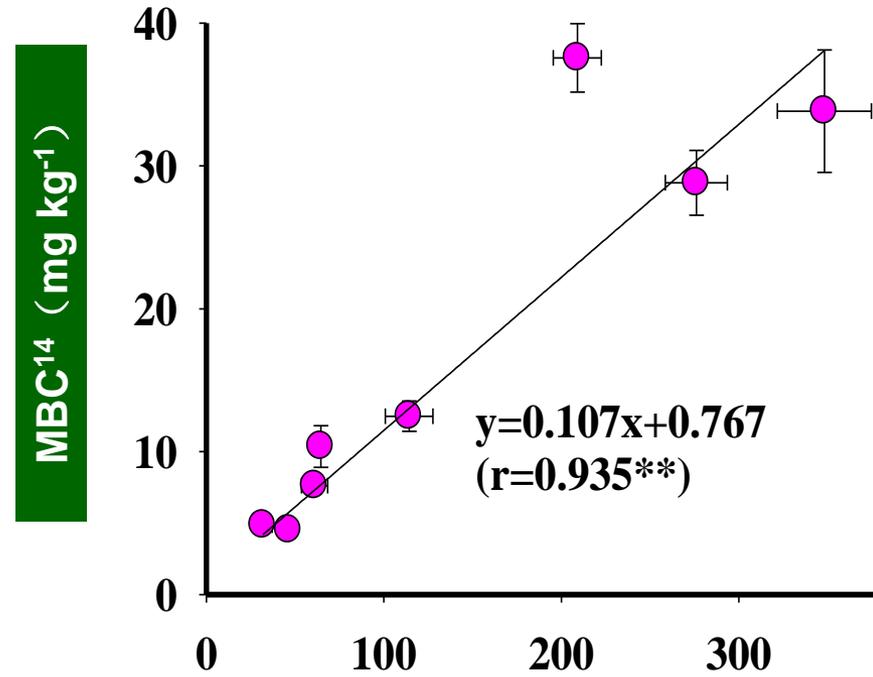
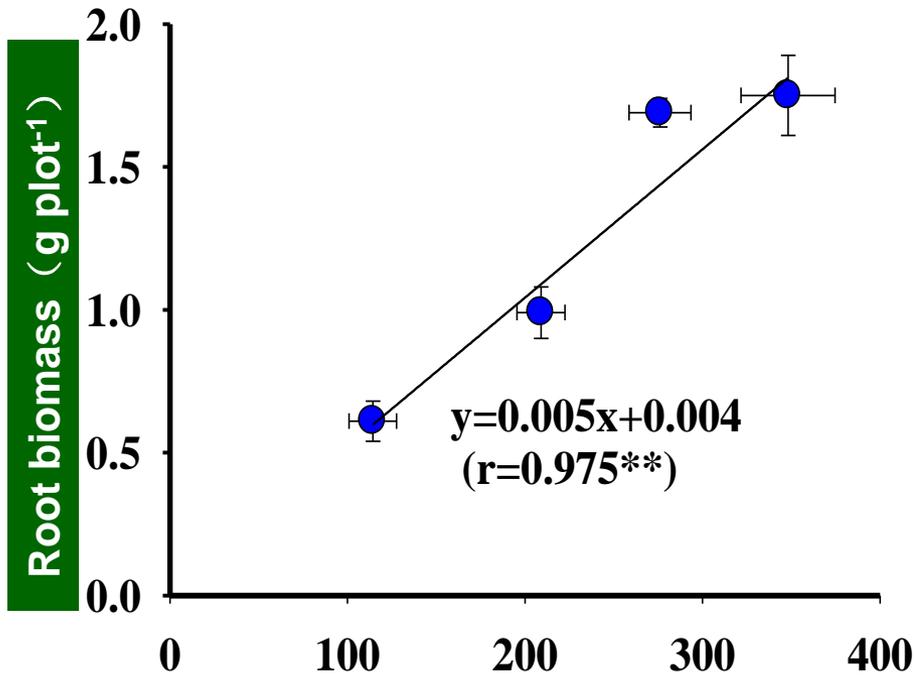
Contribution of photosynthesized C to MBC in different soils



Contribution of photosynthesized C to DOC in different soils

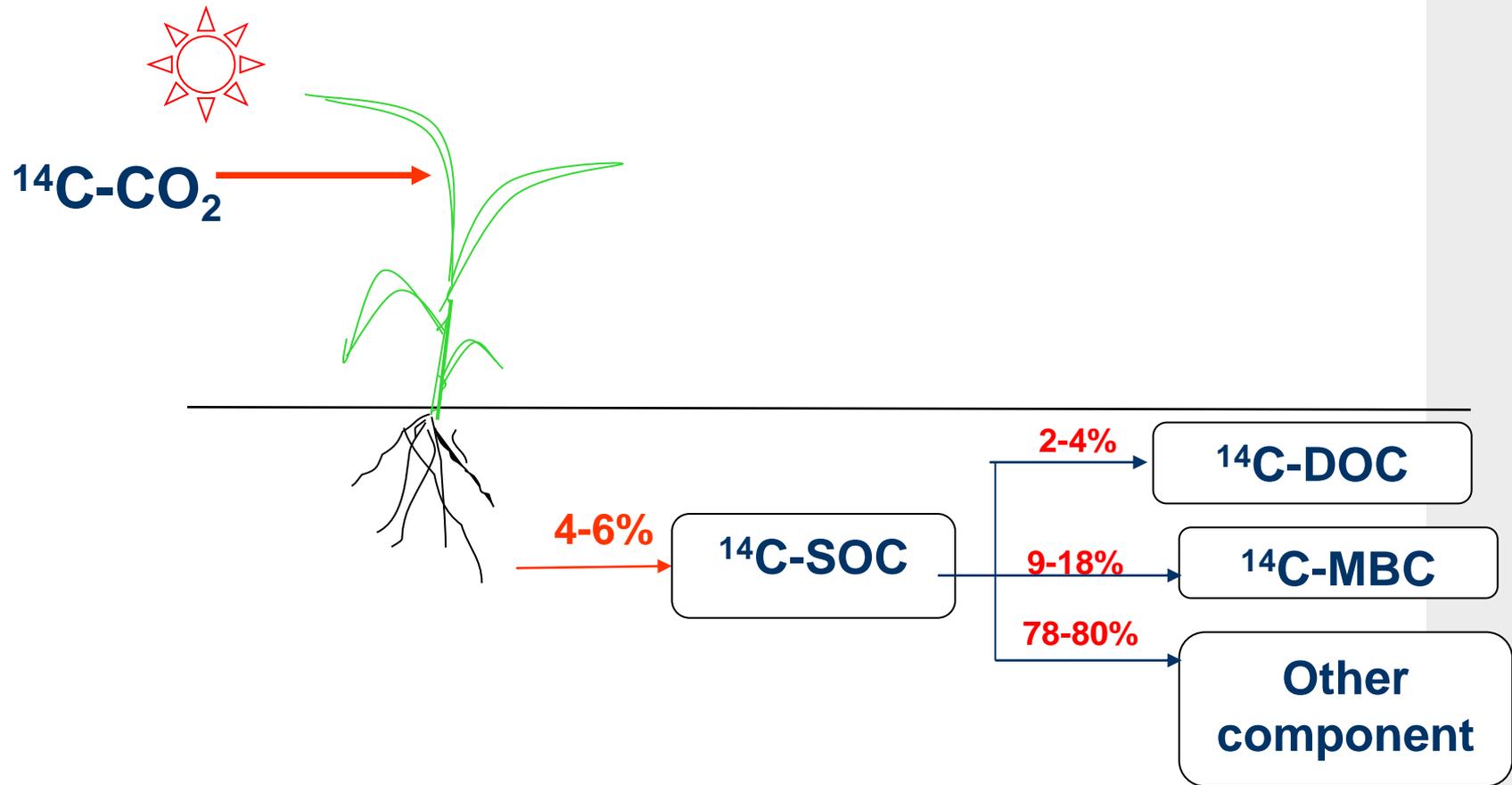


SOC¹⁴ VS rice root biomass, MBC¹⁴



SOC¹⁴ (mg kg⁻¹)

A simple model of the contribution of rice photosynthesized carbon to DOC and MBC in a flooded rice system



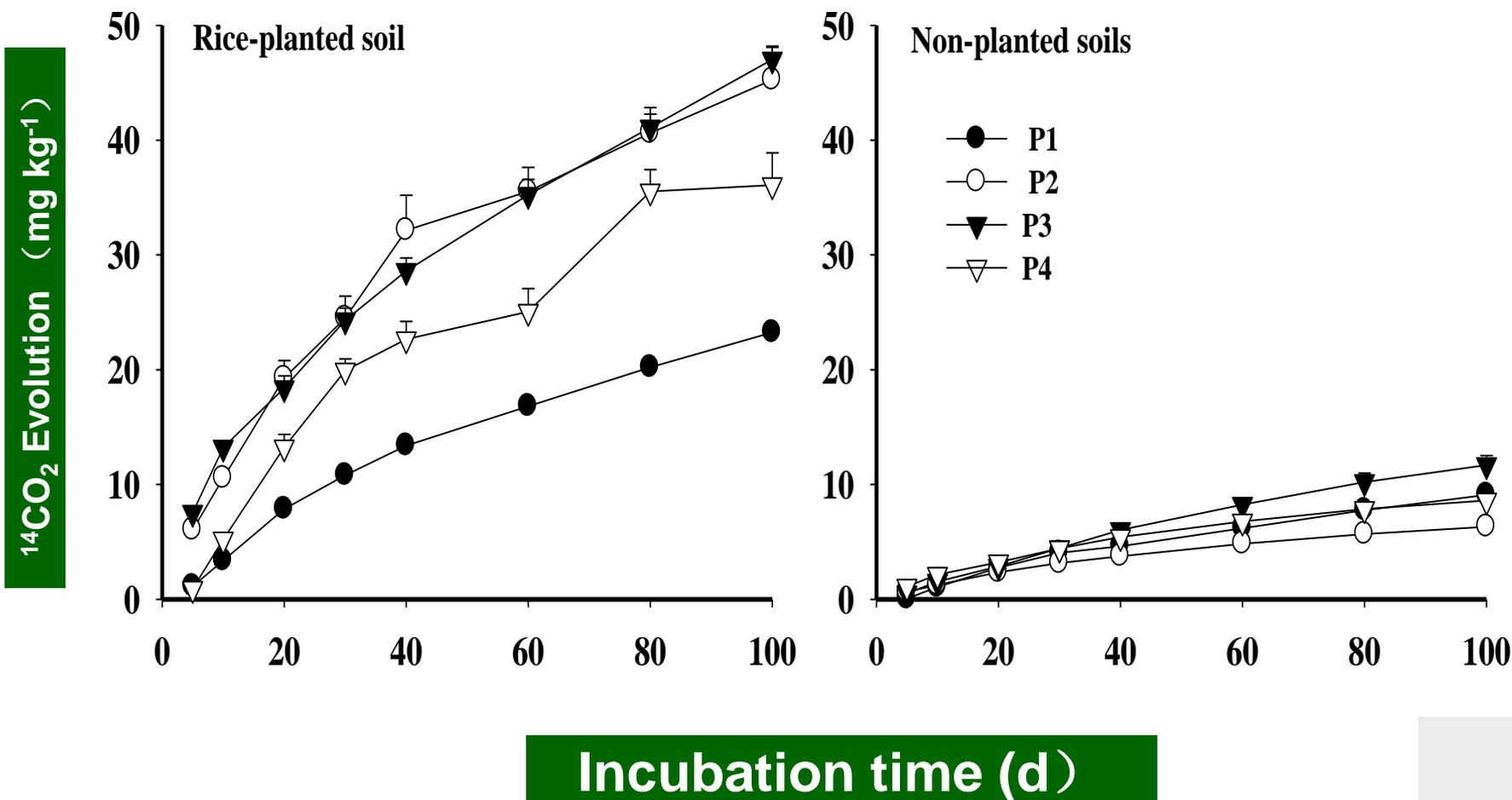


**new and native SOC
mineralization: 25°C,
100% air humidity soil
incubation**

**5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 60, 80 and
100 d of incubation analyze
 $^{14}\text{C-CO}_2$ and CO_2**

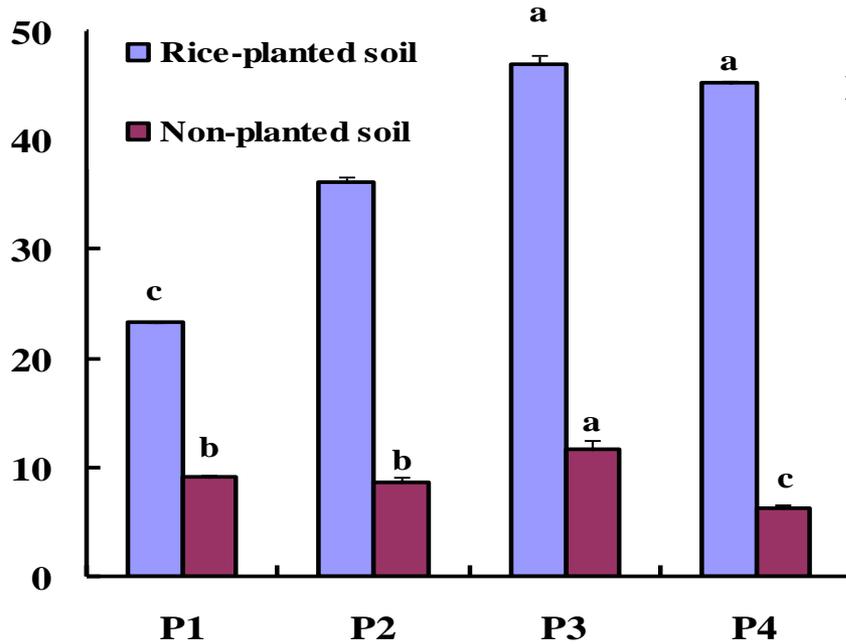


Cumulative CO₂ efflux derived from new C in rice-planted, non-planted soils

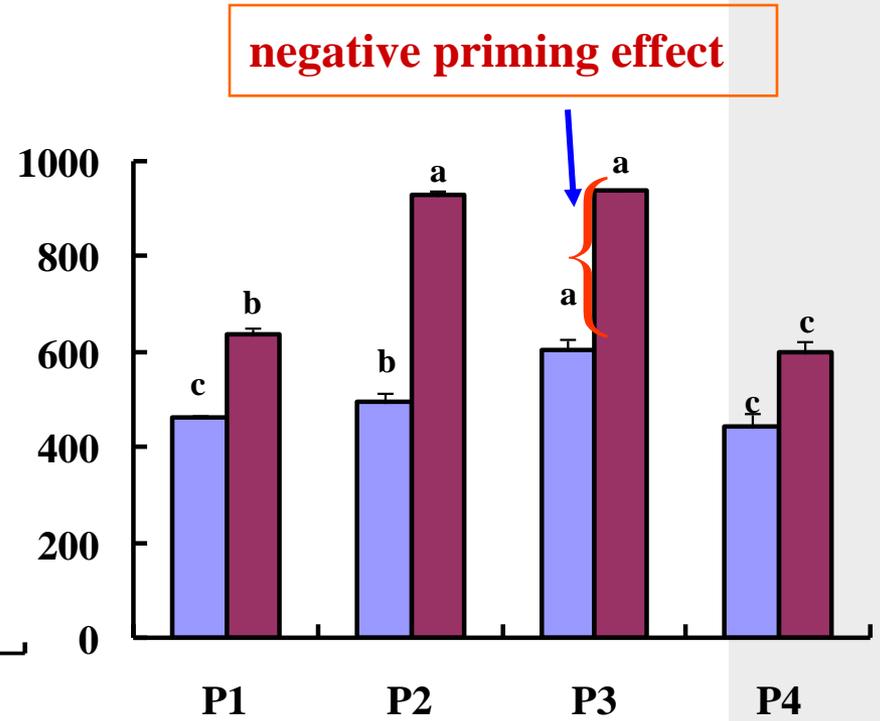


The amount of CO₂ derived from native and new SOC in rice-planted and non-planted paddy soils

CO₂ evolution (mg kg⁻¹)



New SOC



negative priming effect

Native SOC

Conclusion

- ❖ At 80-d uniform labeling, organic ^{14}C in rice-planted soils $4\times$ more than in non-planted soils
- ❖ At 80-d of labeling, SOC^{14} concentration was positively correlated with biomass C^{14}
- ❖ The distribution and transformation of the photosynthesized C had greater influence on the dynamics of DOC and MBC than that of SOC
- ❖ Less native SOC mineralization (i.e. a negative priming effect) found in some soils

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