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Biogas-based systems to foster circular economy strategies

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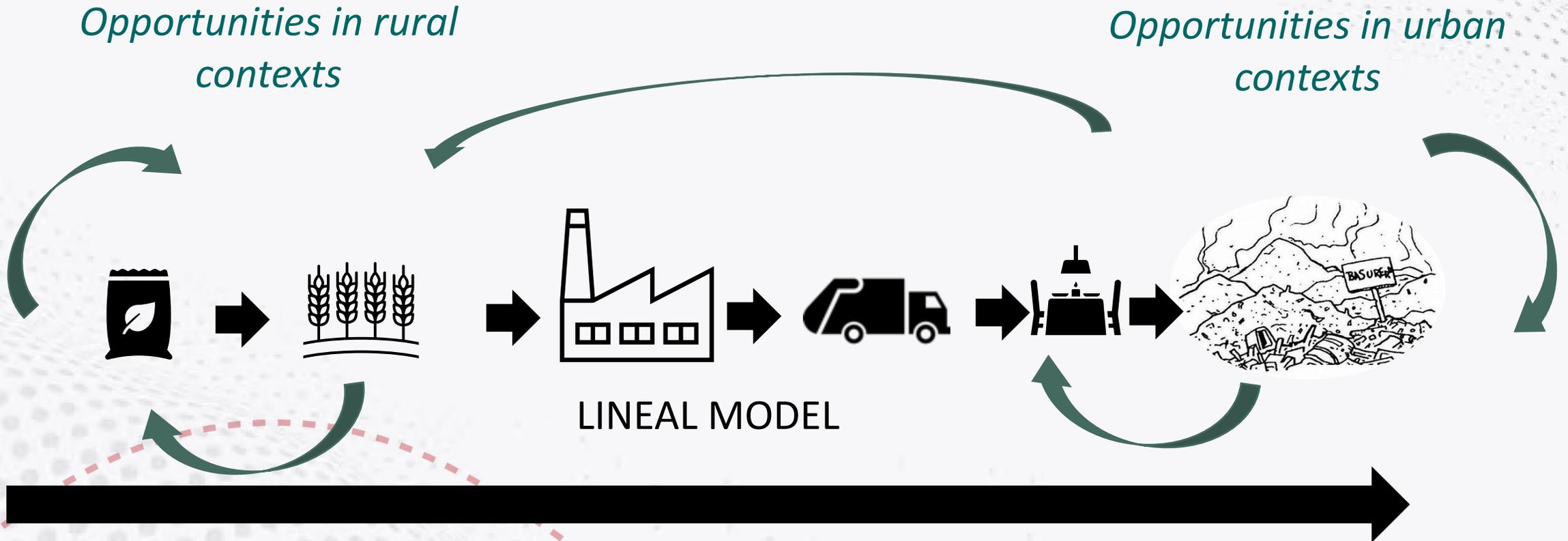
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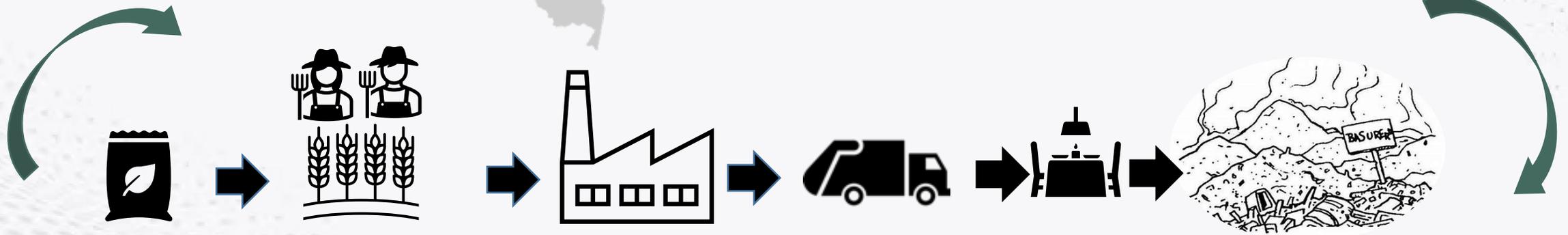
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- In Colombia 34% of food produced for human consumption is thrown away¹
- Around 61% --> Organic Fraction of Municipal Solid Waste

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BIOGAS-BASED SYSTEMS TO FOSTER CIRCULAR ECONOMY STRATEGIES

¹ Departamento Nacional de Planeación [internet]. Colombia: Grupo de comunicaciones y relaciones públicas.

² Cetrulo, T.B., Marques, R.C., Cetrulo, N.M., Pinto, F.S., Moreira, R.M., Mendizábal-Cortés, A.D., Malheiros, T.F., 2018.



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631.467 inhab. (2021)²



124,893 tons per year (2020)¹

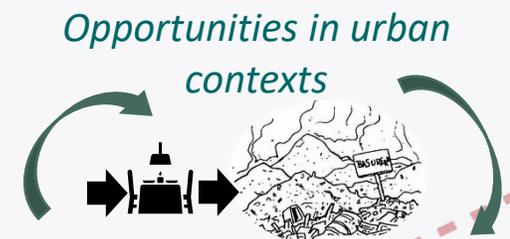
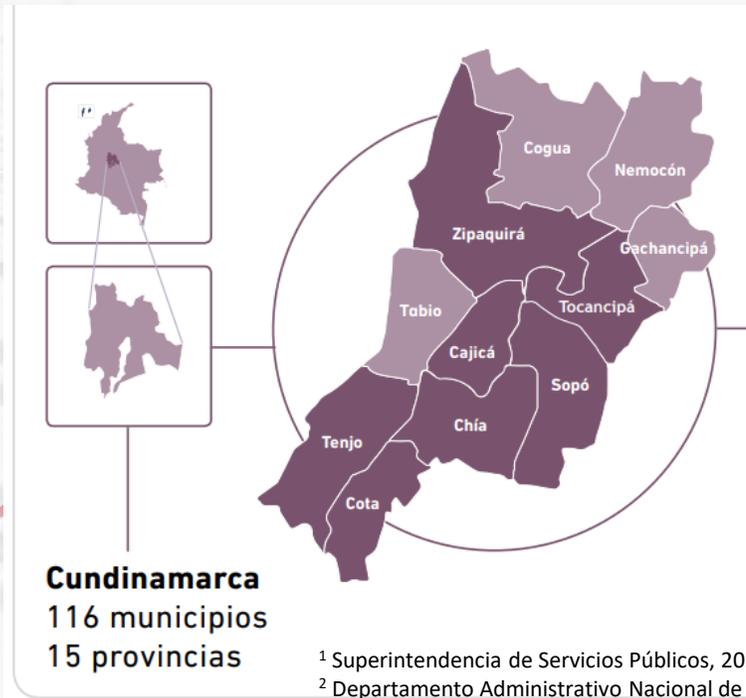
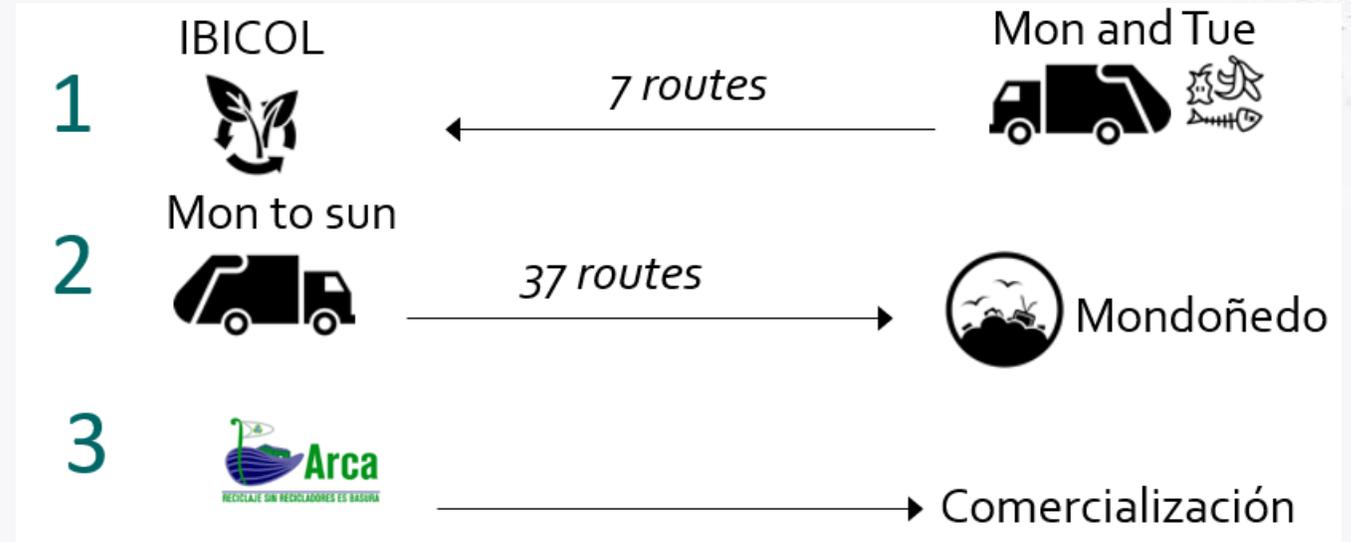


Recycled residues in SC: 10%

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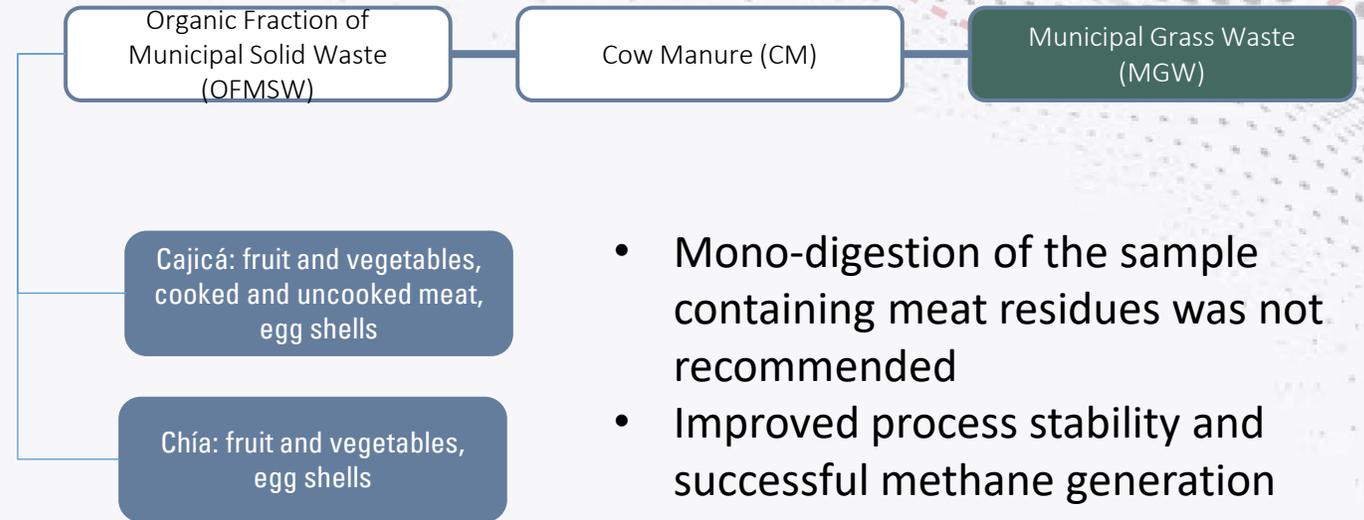


"Caneca verde"





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- Mono-digestion of the sample containing meat residues was not recommended
- Improved process stability and successful methane generation through co-digestion processes
- Frequency of organics collection in Cajicá should be increased to minimize aerobic decomposition at the source

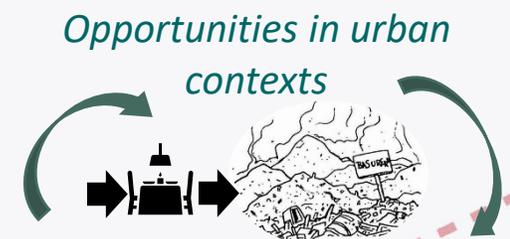


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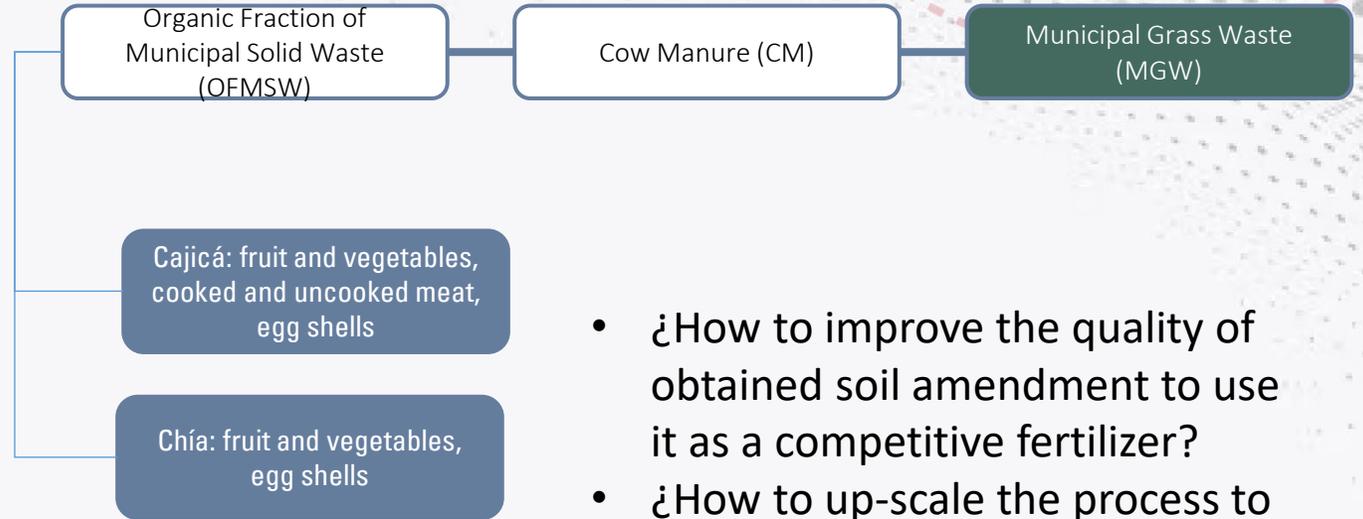
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- ¿How to improve the quality of obtained soil amendment to use it as a competitive fertilizer?
- ¿How to up-scale the process to provide energy and fertilizers to Sabana Centro while considering Circular Economy principles?



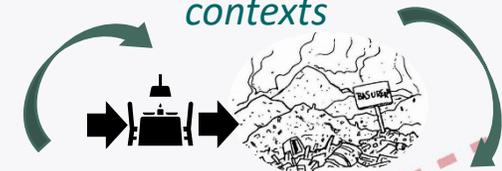
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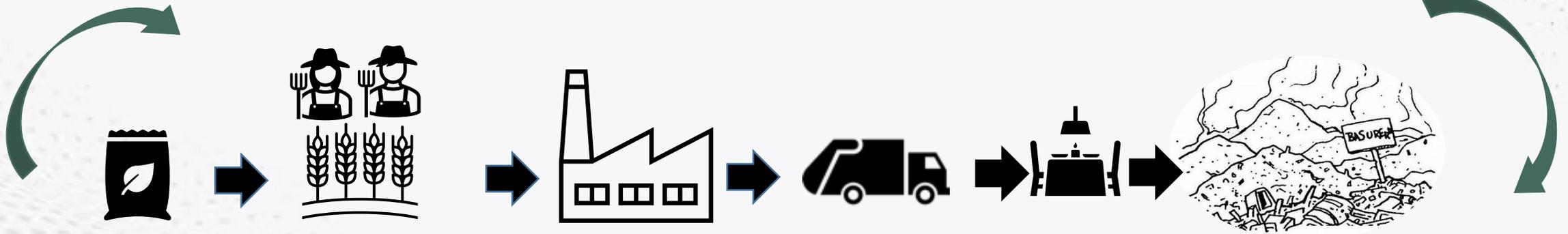
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- In Colombia, about 540,000 families depend on the coffee activity. Most of the farms have an extension < 2ha.¹

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¹ Federación Nacional de Cafeteros, 2023.



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Residual biomass from agricultural and livestock sectors in Colombia ^{1,2}

Theoretical energy potential of agricultural residues suitable for processing through biological route

Crop	Residue	Residue factor [t residue/t main product]	Production of dry residue [t/year]	LHV [kcal/kg]	Theoretical energy potential [TJ/year]
Sugar cane	Tops- leaves	3.8	37,692,544.8	4,049.0	599,232.0
Plantain	Rachis	1.0	511,257.3	1,808.0	3,867.5
	Rejected	0.2	139,433.8	2,488.0	1,451.5
Banana	Rachis	1.0	542,172.5	1,809.0	4,103.6
	Rejected	0.2	75,652.0	2,488.0	787.5
Palm oil	Rachis	1.1	834,610.6	4,021.0	14,041.4
Corn	Bract	0.2	58,769.0	3,815.0	938.1
Coffee	Pulp	2.4	363,037.4	3,792.9	5,761.2
	Mucilage	0.8	26,843.0	477.7	53.6
Total agricultural			40,370,521		630,236.4

Theoretical energy potential from livestock residues ³

Sector	Population [Head]	Residue [t/year]	Theoretical energy content [TJ/year]
Bovine	29,301,392	129,849,175	70,182.6
Porcine	5,536,331	3,512,884	3,023.5
Poultry	213,246,140	6,447,298	5,517.2
Total livestock	248,083,863	139,809,357	78,723.3

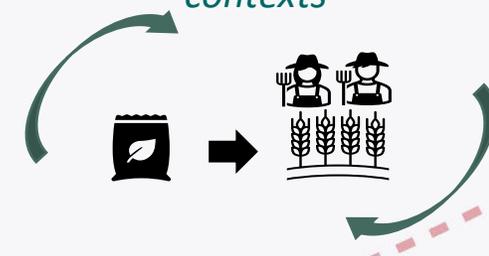
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- The theoretical energy content of the agricultural residues is about of 2 million of TJ/year.
- From biological treatment the energy potential is 630,236 TJ/year

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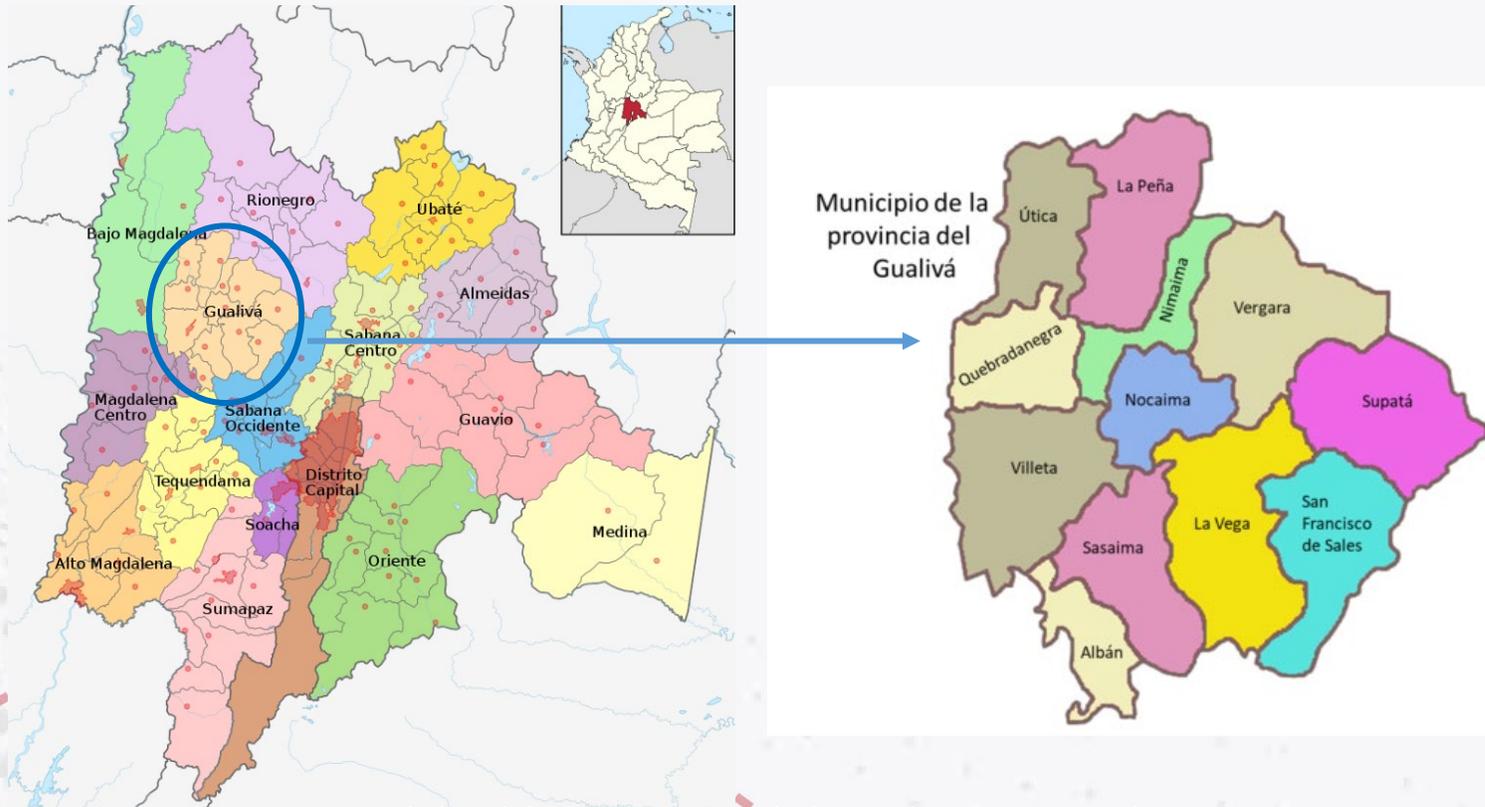
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Case of study: Gualivá Province



Municipalities of the Gualivá province located in Cundinamarca

- La Vega belongs to the Gualivá Province.
- AD system at pilot scale will be located in the experimental station José Celestino Mutis in La Vega, Cundinamarca.





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Residual biomass from agricultural and livestock sectors in Gualivá Province

Theoretical energy potential for agricultural residues^{1,2}

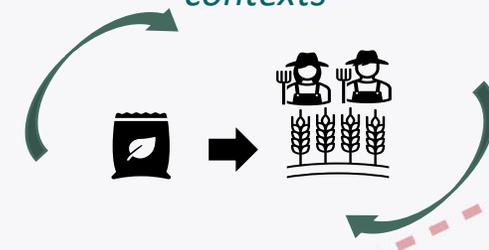
Crop	Residue	Production of dry residue [t/year]	Theoretical energy potential [TJ/year]	WtE route
Cane	Tops- leaves	700,054.0	10,790.5	Biological
	Bagasse	1,026,700.1	19,141.7	Thermochemical
Plantain	Rachis	2,149.9	16.3	Biological
	Pseudostem	89,612.8	761.9	Thermochemical
	Rejected	586.3	6.1	Biological
Orange	NR	-	-	
Coffee	Pulp	1,991.1	31.6	Biological
	Mucilage	147.2	0.3	Biological
	Silverskin	809.4	14.5	Thermochemical
	stem	11,041.8	217.9	Thermochemical
Cassava	NR	-	-	
Total		1,833,092.8	30,980.8	

Theoretical energy potential from livestock residues³

Sector	Population [Head]	Dry residue [t/year]	Theoretical energy content [TJ/year]
Bovine	76,283	42,239	175.6
Porcine	127,200	23,343	67.0
Poultry	5,874,600	40,781	139.6
Total livestock	6,078,083	106,363	382.2

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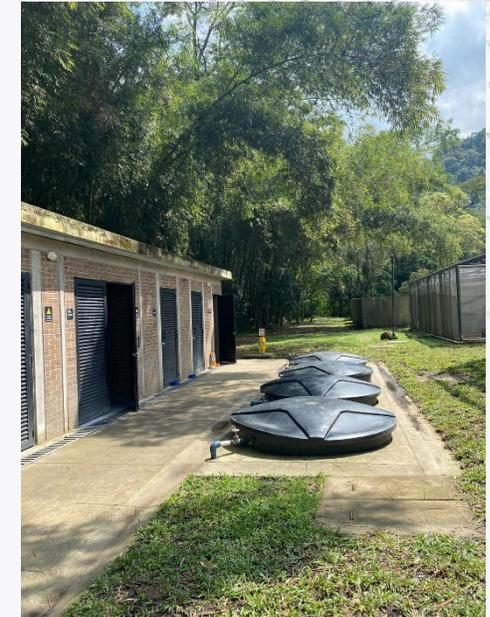


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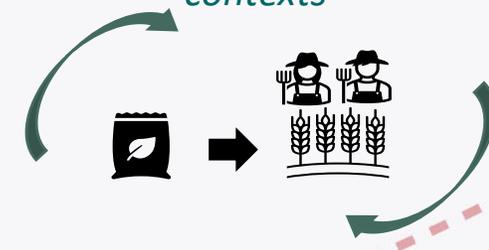


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-  Storage
-  Pilot system
-  Vehicle access

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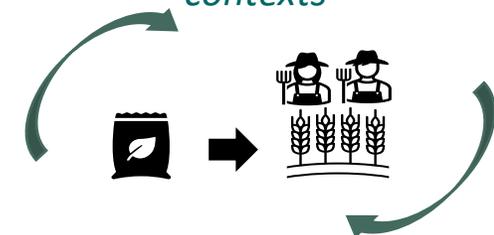


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¿ How to maximize the value of digestate as fertilizer for coffee crops while considering Circular Economy principles?

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