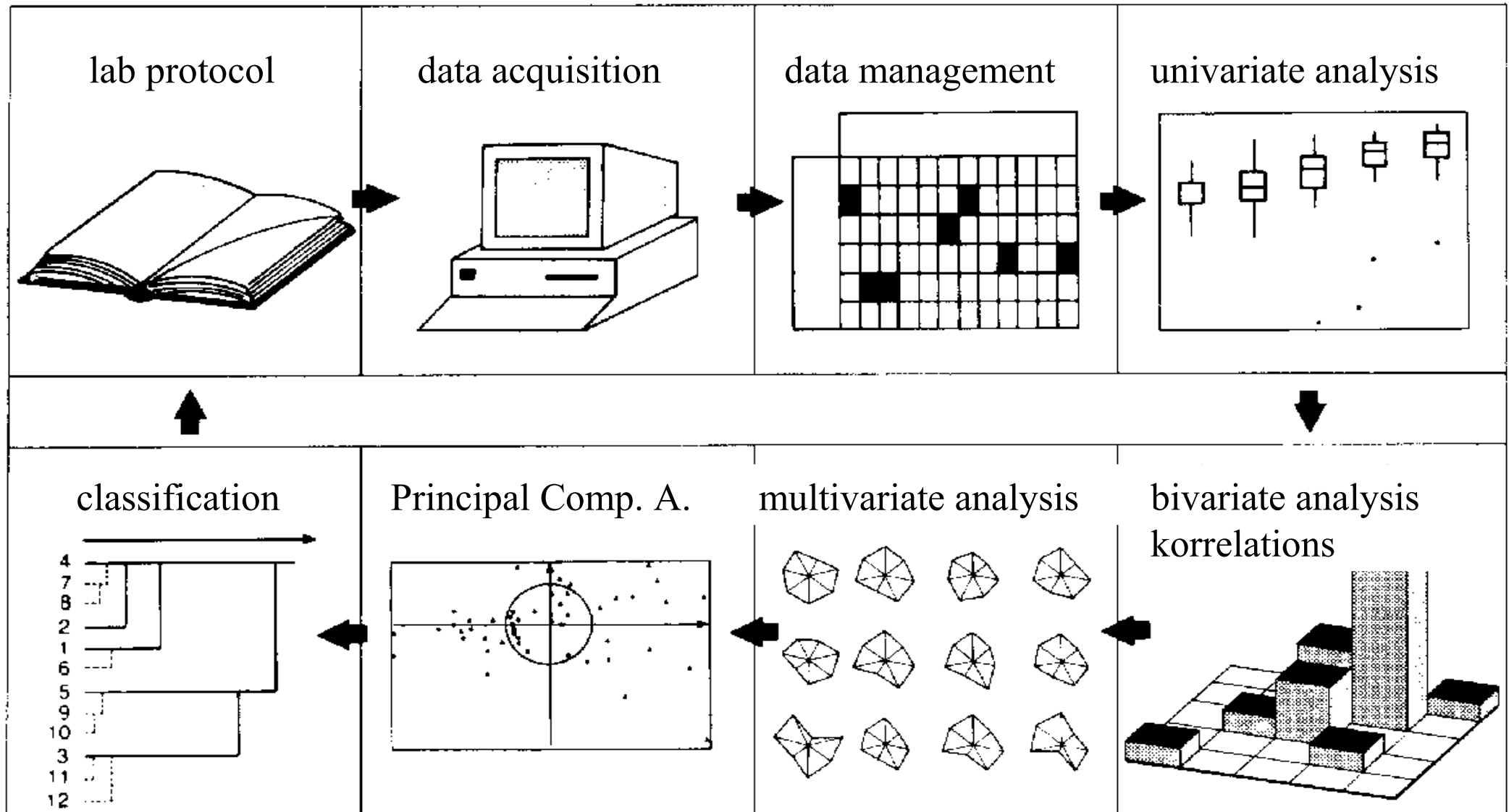


# Evaluation of analytical Data - Aims and Purpose

## - from Measurements to conceptual Models -

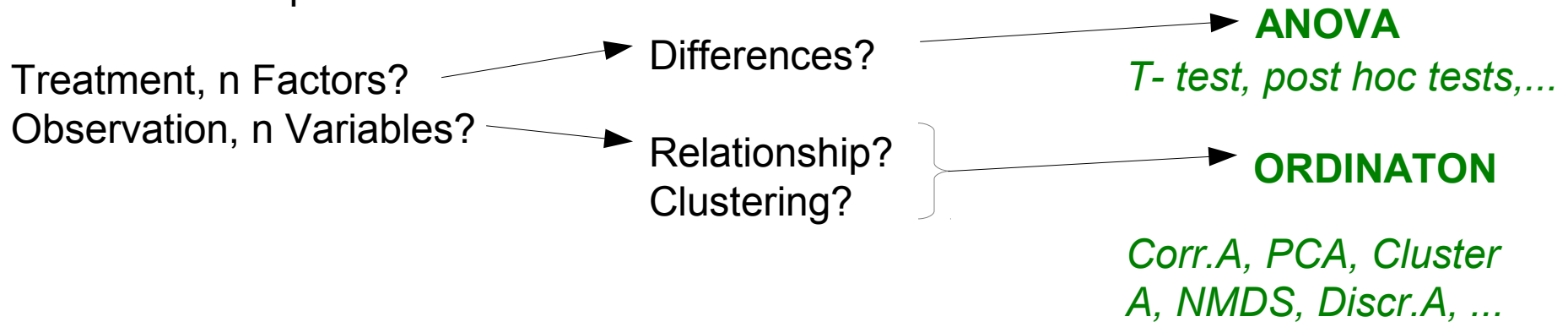


# What is the **purpose** of **STATISTICS**?

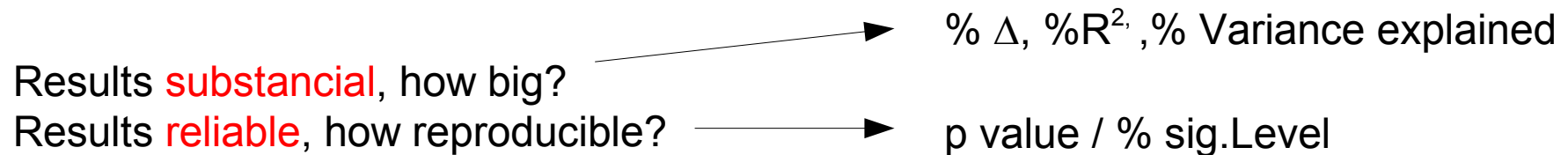
.....to clarify and quantify:

1. Was the experimental design **successful** or needing **upscaling**?

What kind of experiment?



2. What are your **main results**, what **sound conclusions** may be drawn?



3. Which **presentation graph** is best?
4. What are the **key parameters** for a mathematical model?

## A. Data Acquisition: Requirements and Premises

### *laboratory protocol*

- Sample preparation  
All amounts,  
(Weights, Volumina, Tara, FG, TG, Aliquotes, Dilutions)
- Method dokumentation  
All Steps and procedures (Setups, Dilutions, times)
- Primary data tables  
All primary unmodified measurement results

\*\*\*\*\* Check of Plausibility \*\*\*\*\*

*recapitulate and take down aims of work, approaches, hypotheses !!!  
Include this to the primary data tables and in your lab protokol !*

## B. Preparing the Data Evaluation

### *Protocol of Evaluation*

save primary results, check their completeness thoroughly

reliability of calibrations, check calibration curves

what is the scattering range of my methods, and which differences are therefore to be taken seriously?

### Documentation of the calculation formula

which steps of analysis were carried out in which order (lab protocol)

(at first, do NOT simplify calculations for parallel treatment of samples and blanks)

know the meaning, the values and DIMENSIONS of the primary data e.g. :

Absorbance stands for concentrations	Mol /l	solution
peak areas (quotients) --> amount (weight)	μmol,mg	
ml titer volume stand for Equivalents	μVal	

be precise with AMOUNTS and CONCENTRATIONS

(one of the most common errors: mistaking mg for μg and the other way around, avoid calculating with many zeros behind the comma, eg 0,0001 mg. Use 0.1 μg instead)

## C. Calculate and relate the results

systematic compilation of the calculation procedure

primary data and their dimension  
method- dependent calculation  
sample preparation dependant recalculations

integrate calculations to formulas with variables and fixed values

\*\*\*\*\* check plausibility \*\*\*\*\*

simplification and economisation of calculation methods

(reducing fractions, in a worksheet software- Excel)

- calculation of all Samples
- relating to required dimensions
- adjust and format your tables for easy transfer to statistics programs
- simple statistics: Mean, **Median**, Standard deviation, SE, CI, CV (coeff. of var)

Microsoft Excel - TEICH.XLS

Datei Bearbeiten Ansicht Einfügen Format Extras Daten Fenster ? Acrobat

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Dokumentation Urdaten\_Teich Tabelle3

Bereit

Single samples  
(cases)

Sampling dates:  
group variables  
(factors)

Measuring parameter:  
measuring variable  
(variables)

## D. Graphical Plotting, Statistics

### **first::**

simple line or barcharts (never waste time and efforts for hasty formatting!)

Excel/Sigmaplot: MEDIAN and ERROR INDICATOR:

Standard deviation STDEV:

$$\sqrt{\frac{nSx^2 - (Sx)^2}{n(n-1)}}$$

Standard error (error of the mean) SE:

$$s_x = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

or Confidence Interval CI:  $x \pm t \cdot s_x$  (t n=1000...1.96)

for table only: Coefficient of Variance CV:  $\frac{s}{x} 100$

### **next:**

define the aim of your data evaluation

Differences (sig) Similarities temporal Sequence

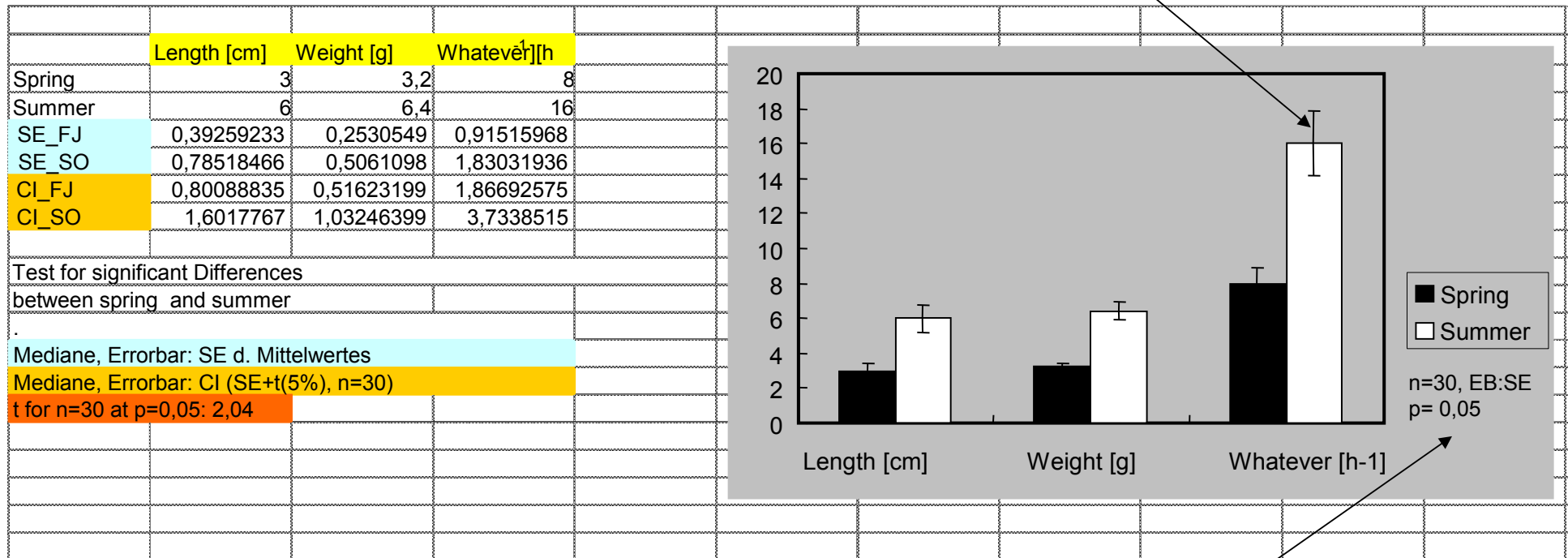
define the need for statistics

sign.Differences, Korrelation (Ordination) or Classification?

define the aim of your presentation (Poster/Publikation)

Choice of suitable Software -->Formating of the plots

quick plot with error bars prepared  
with MS Excel / Libre Office Calc



Essential informations for Evaluation  
of plotted Data !

Students T-Test:  $\Delta \text{mean}(1,2) < \text{CI1} + \text{CI2}$

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Post-hoc\\_analysis](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Post-hoc_analysis)



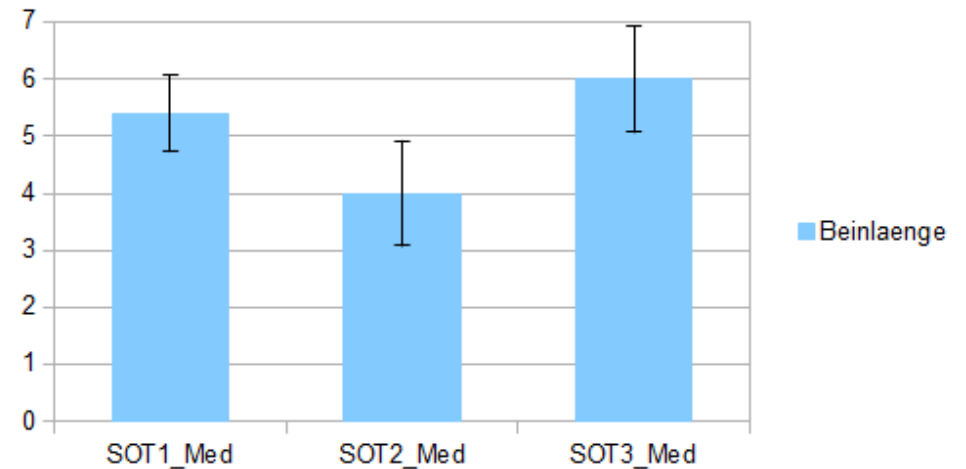
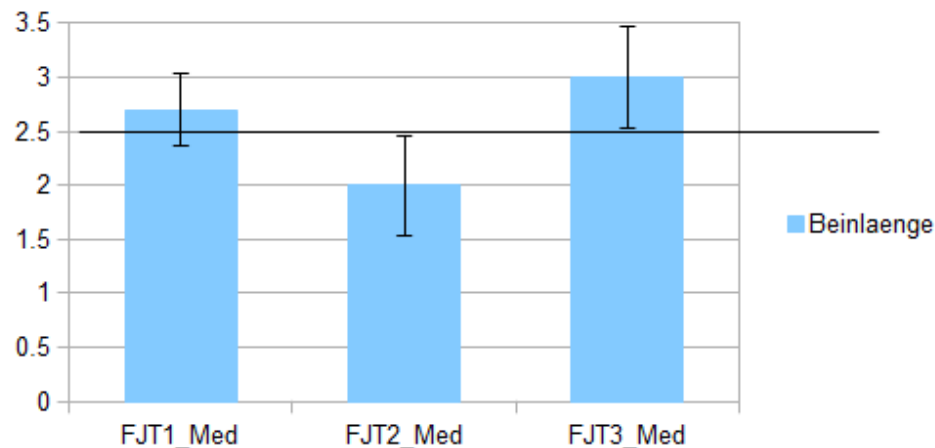
# Testing for adequate range of cases upscaling of undersized experiments

Jahr	Beinlaenge	Gewicht	Rufe_h
FJT1_Med	2.7	4.4	8
FJT2_Med	2	2.4	7.2
FJT3_Med	3	3.2	8.1
SOT1_Med	5.4	8.8	16
SOT2_Med	4	4.8	14.4
SOT3_Med	6	6.4	16.2
FJT1_CI	1.199215608	1.079142333	2.018749636
FJT2_CI	1.663522913	0.723368596	4.221565132
FJT3_CI	1.678154003	0.747335345	4.235950258
SOT1_CI	2.398431215	2.158284666	4.037499273
SOT2_CI	3.327045826	1.446737193	8.443130263
SOT3_CI	3.356308006	1.494670691	8.471900515

## Adäquate n für Beinlänge

'n=10	t Wert für FG 9 = 2,262
'n=50	t Wert für FG 49 = 2,021
'n=100	t Wert für FG 99 = 1,987
'n=150	t Wert für FG 149 = 1,980

$$0.333121404 \rightarrow =B8/2.262*1.987*SQRT(10)/SQRT(100)$$



Bezüglich der Beinlänge muss man einen Test für die adequate Stichprobengröße machen.  
Bei gleichbleibender Varianz, braucht man ein N von mindestens 100.

# The Significance Level, the Reproducibility and Expressability of an Experiment

significant differences (univariate Tests, ANOVA -Analysis Of Variance):

Significance level:  $P + CI = 100\%$

P.... Error probability

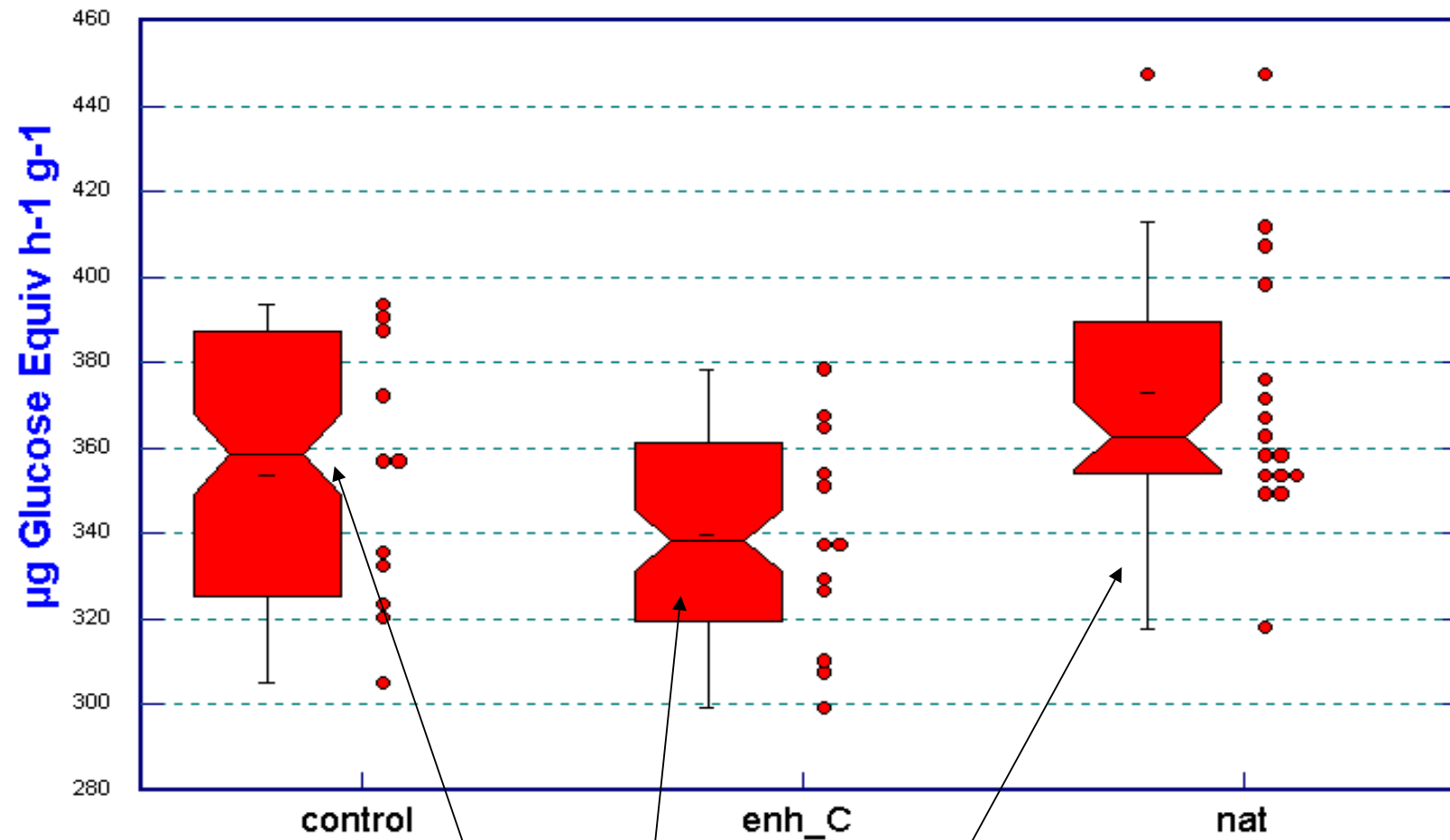
CI ...Confidence Interval

highly significant	$P < 0,1\% (0,001)$	***
significant	$P < 1\% (0,01)$	**
weakly significant	$P < 5\% (0,05)$	*
not(?) significant	$P > 5\%$	n.s.

**In any case: do provide the actual significance level !**

It is not only of interest **if**, but first of all **how** significant your results really are.

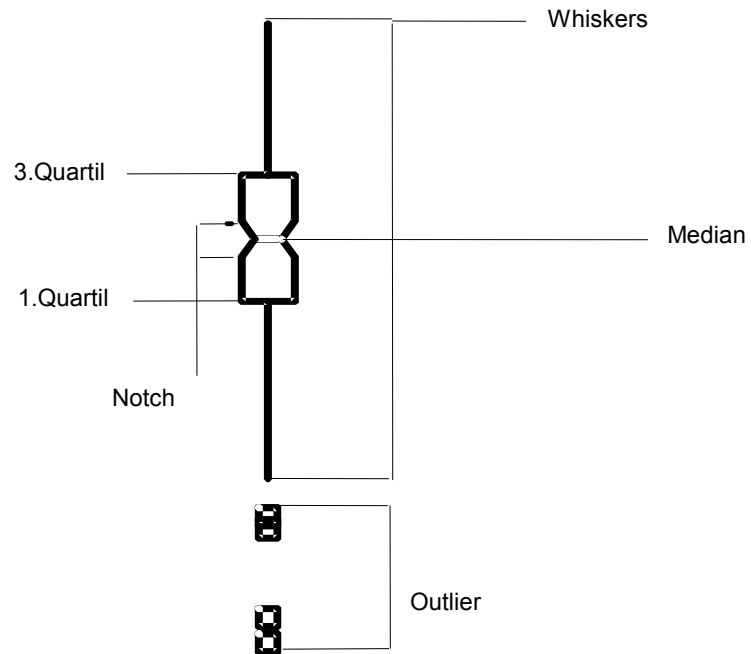
## Xylanase Activity



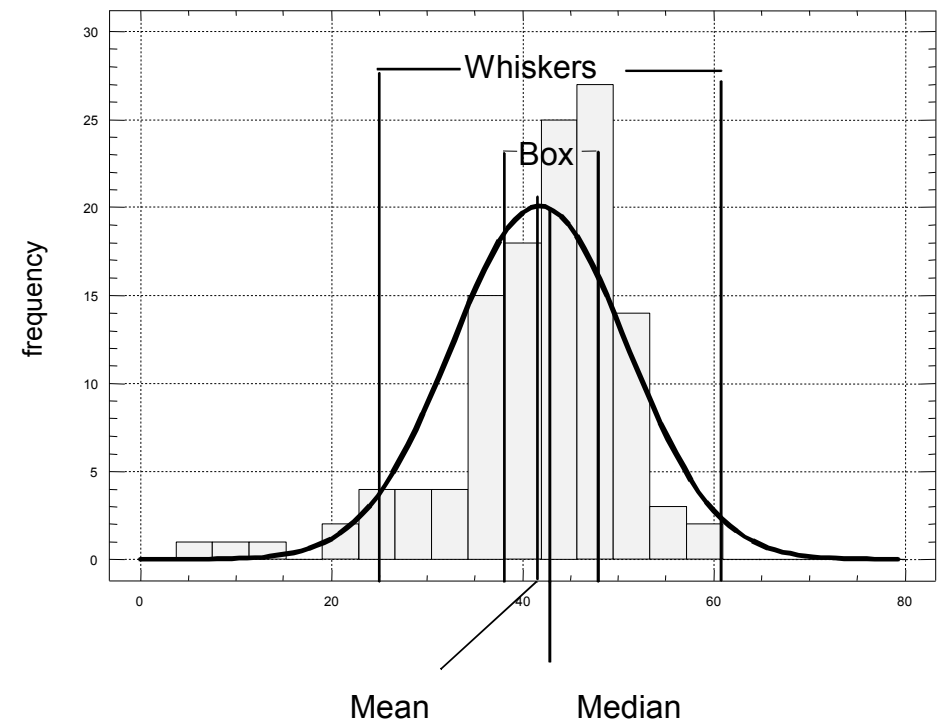
„notched box and whisker plot“

# Explanation of notched Box and Whisker Plots

Notched Box and Whisker Plot

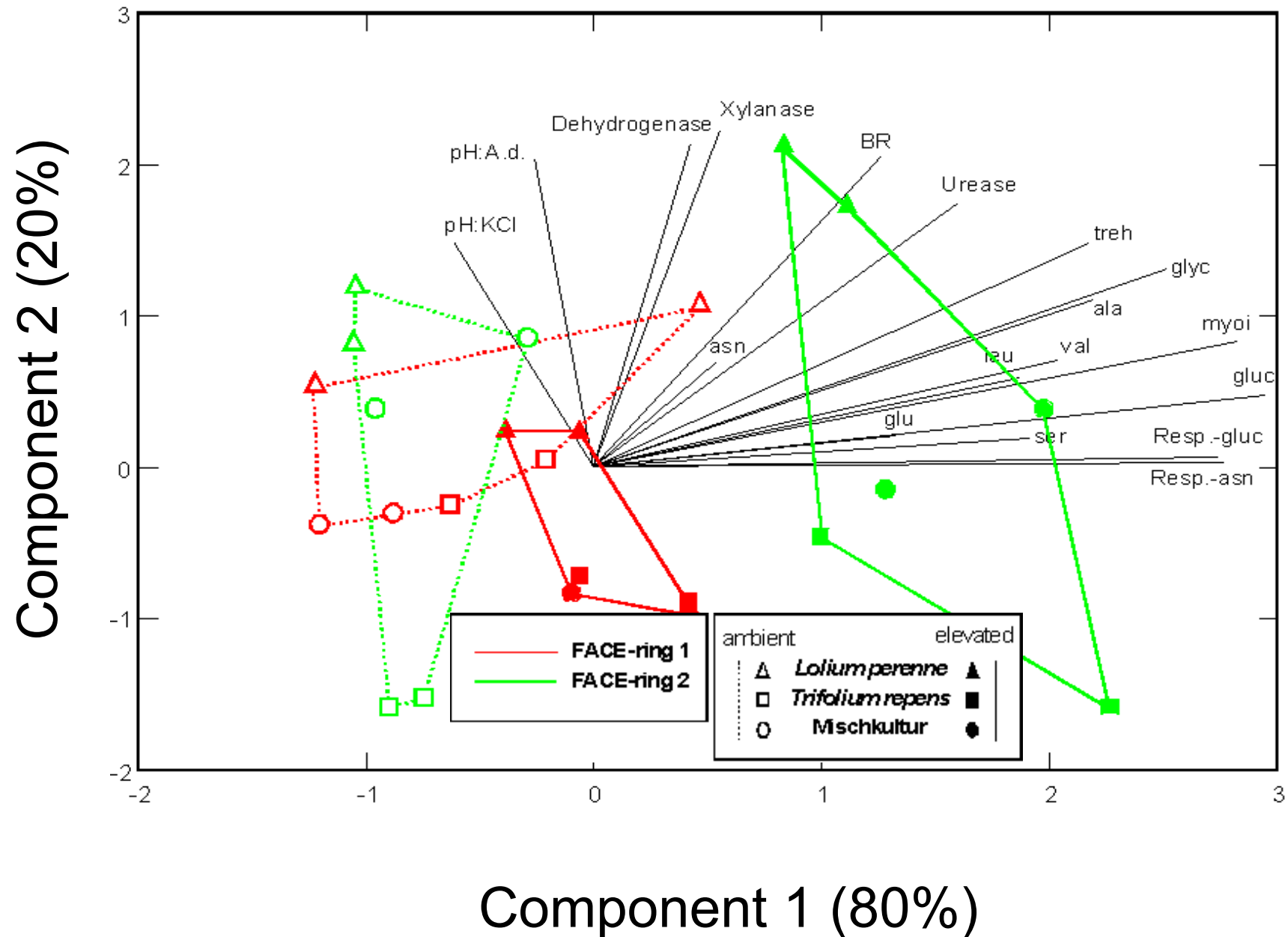


Frequency Histogram



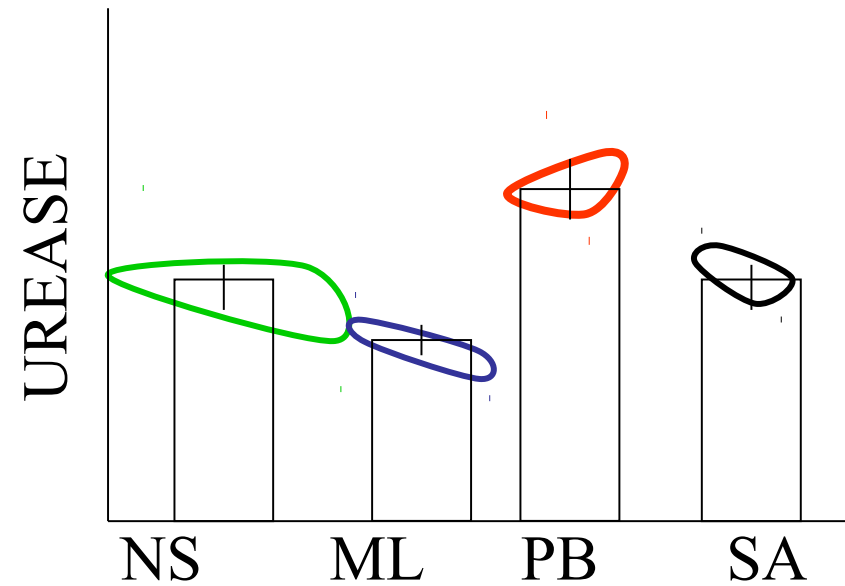
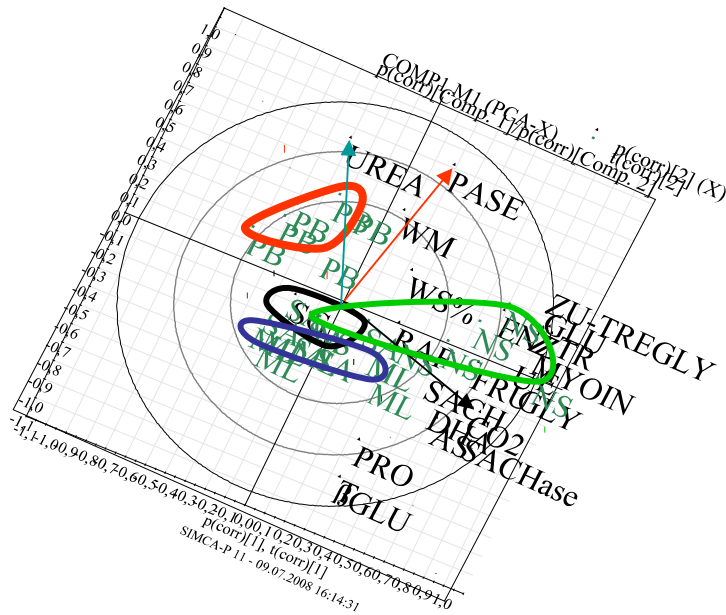
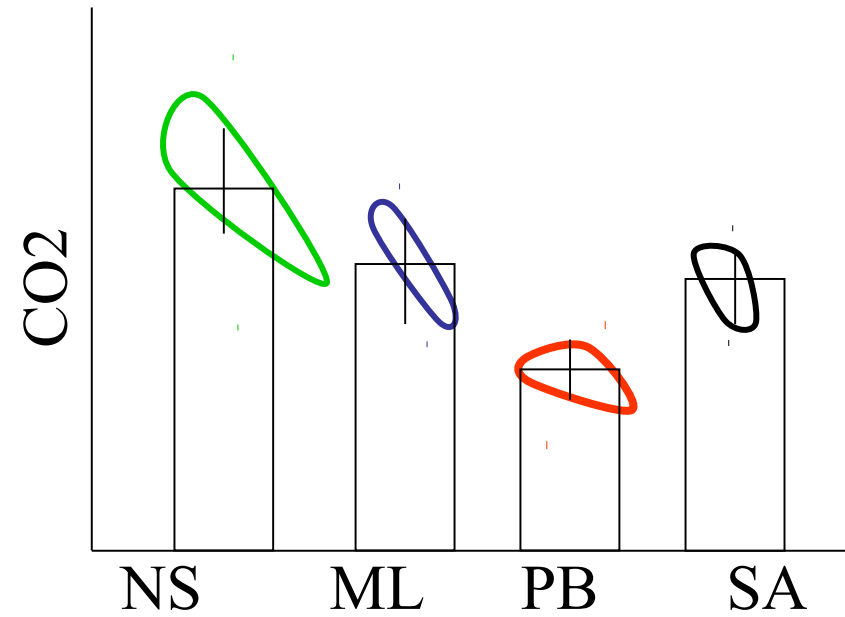
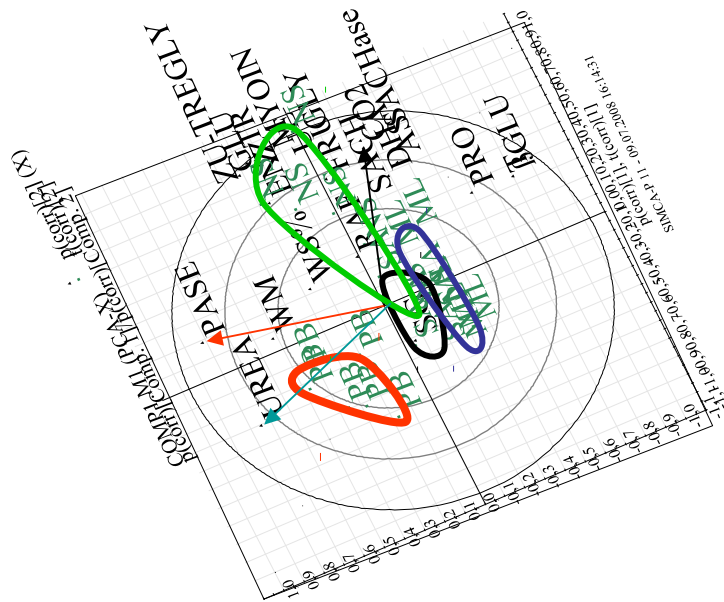
Notch: indicates 95% confidence interval for the Median.  
If Notches do not overlap, a significant difference between medians is present

# Main Component or Factor analysis



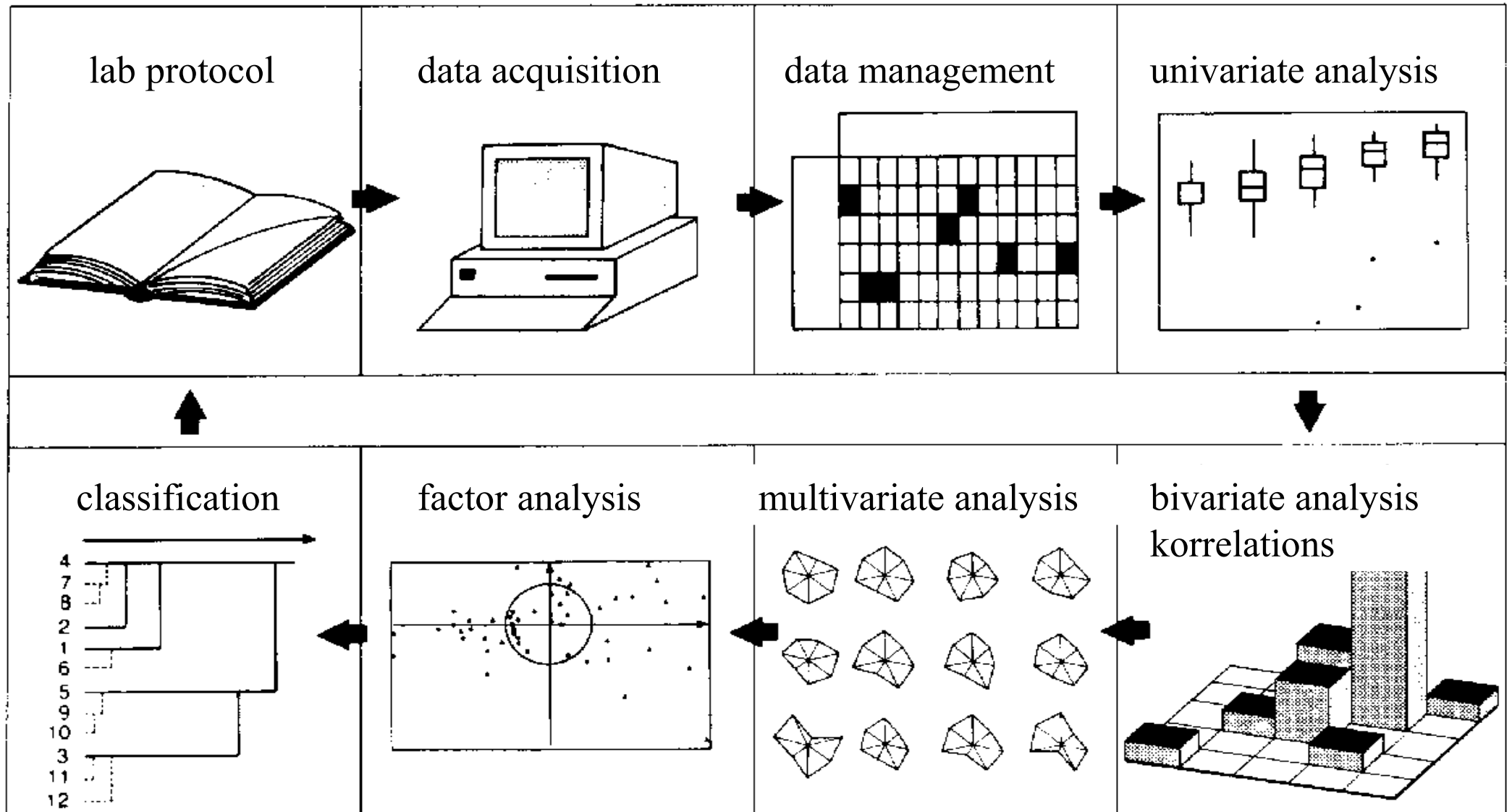


Find the bargraphs (Anova plots) in PCA...



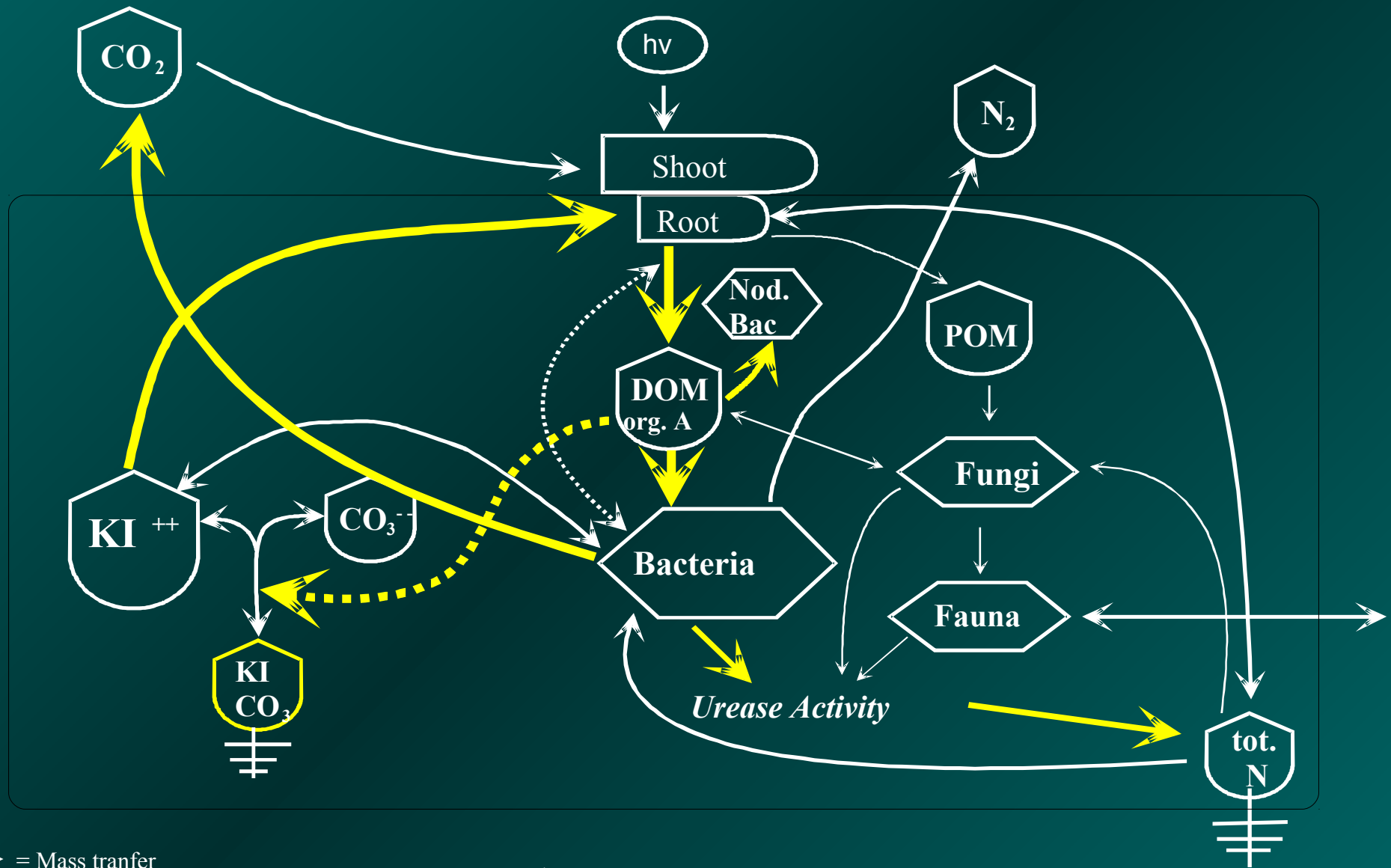
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# hypothetical model for *Trifolium r.* on alkaline soil



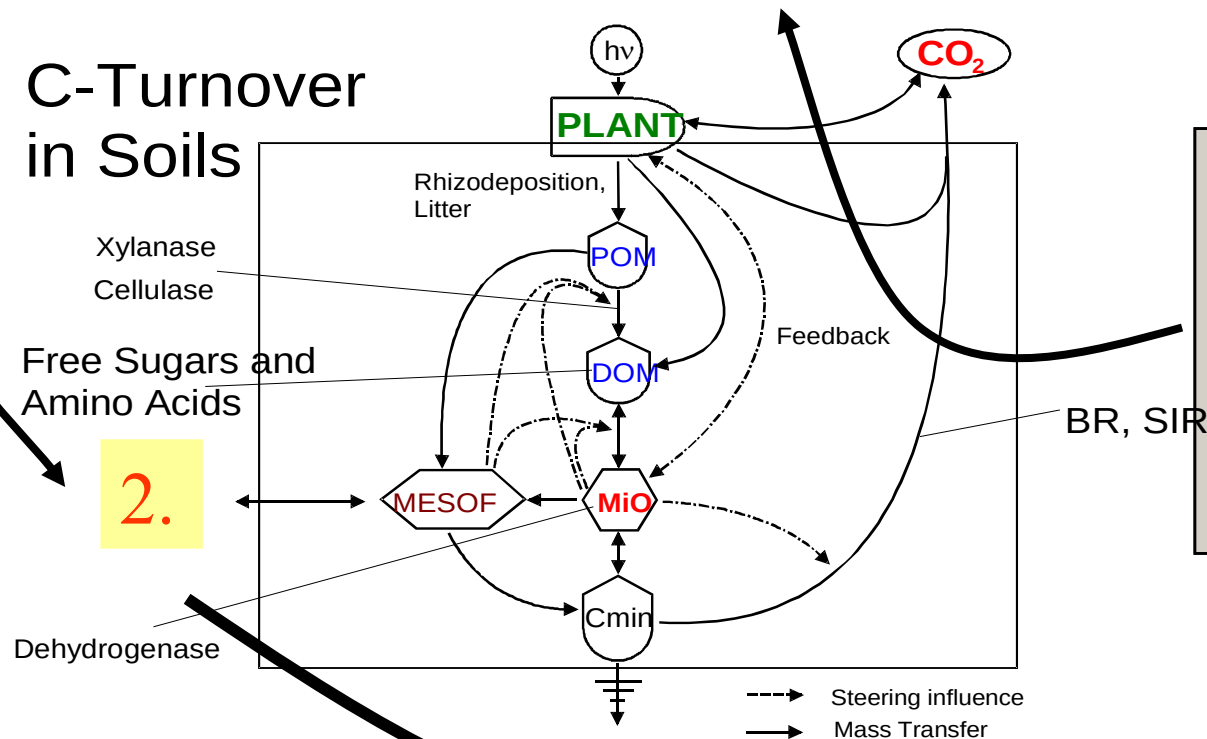
# The questions addressed, hypothesis, and the conceptual model determine the statistics- and plotting necessities !

Questions addressed and investigated::

1.

- 1 Is there a change in plant productivity due to drought and fertilization?
- 2 Is there a combination effect between drought and fertilisation?
- 3 Is there an Impact of these stresses on soil properties?
- 4 Are these effects within the boundaries of system dynamics or do they lead to system changes?
- 5 What are the limiting factors in this soil, how can they be buffered or worked around?

## C-Turnover in Soils



2.

3.

