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Evaluation of nitrous oxide and carbon dioxide emissions from manure compost-amended soil
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Nitrous oxide (N₂O) is an important greenhouse gas, which depletes the ozone layer and has a strong greenhouse effect (Zhu *et al.*, 2014). In agricultural soil, compost application either enhances N₂O emission by increasing the supply of nitrogen (N) and carbon (C) available for microorganisms or reduces it by promoting N immobilization (Lim *et al.*, 2018; Westermann *et al.*, 2021; Wright *et al.*, 2008). Emissions of N₂O and carbon dioxide (CO₂) from compost-amended soil can be affected by different compost and soil properties. Interactions between manure compost and soil properties on N₂O and CO₂ emissions have not been clearly known. Studies discussing the effects of ammonium N (NH₄⁺-N) additions on N₂O and CO₂ emissions from manure compost-amended soil are not sufficiently determined. Moreover, in existing process-based biogeochemical models of N₂O emissions, different sets of parameters are included in different mathematical equations for nitrification and denitrification. Most of these models have been developed to represent the effects of mineral N fertilization on N₂O emissions (Del Grosso *et al.* 2008). There is a lack of understanding on how to represent nitrification and denitrification in manure compost-amended soil in model equations. Therefore, this thesis aimed at

- 1) determining N₂O and CO₂ emissions from two soils amended with different manure composts and the relative abundances of key functional ammonia-oxidizing genes,
- 2) investigating N₂O and CO₂ emissions from manure compost-amended soil at different NH₄⁺-N rates and the relative abundances of denitrification-related genes, and
- 3) developing mechanistic models for N₂O emissions from upland and paddy soils amended manure compost.

To achieve these objectives, cattle manure compost (CC) or mixed compost (MC) (mixture of cattle, poultry, and swine manure) were amended with Kochi (upland) or Ushimado (paddy) soils and emissions of N₂O and CO₂ were determined in aerobic incubation experiments. Kochi soil showed

higher total N and C, and mineral N contents compared with Ushimado soil. Among manure compost types, MC was susceptible to decomposition, while CC was resistant.

Results showed:

- 1) cumulative N₂O and CO₂ emissions were significantly higher in MC-amended soil than those in CC-amended soil, which were attributable to higher NH₄⁺-N content and faster N mineralization due to the low C/N ratio. Emissions of N₂O and CO₂ were higher in MC- or CC-amended Kochi soil (70% water holding capacity: WHC) due to higher N, C, and clay contents and higher water-filled pore spaces (WFPS) than those in Ushimado soil at the same WHC. The application of CC increased N₂O emissions only from fertile Kochi soil. Emissions of N₂O until day 15 were mainly regulated by the activities of AOB *amoA* functional genes;
- 2) in both Kochi and Ushimado soils with CC and no compost, raising NH₄⁺-N rates from 160 to 200 (mg-N kg⁻¹) increased N₂O emissions by stimulating nitrification. Increasing NH₄⁺-N rates from 200 to 400 generally decreased N₂O and CO₂ emissions by suppressing microorganisms by osmotic stress and limited C availability, except for N₂O emissions in MC- and CO₂ emissions in CC- and no compost-amended Ushimado soil. Emissions of N₂O were positively related to copy numbers of the *narG* gene only in Kochi soil with higher N and C contents and higher WFPS than those in Ushimado soil; and
- 3) a linear model for N₂O emissions in nitrification or denitrification is composed of an equation of consumed NH₄⁺-N or nitrate N contents. In addition, N₂O emissions showed a steady state with NH₄⁺-N contents (>100 mg-N kg⁻¹ for MC- and <79 mg-N kg⁻¹ for CC-amended soils) during nitrification. The linear model for N₂O emissions in nitrification reproduced N₂O emissions well in both Kochi (upland) and Ushimado (paddy) soils. The model for N₂O emissions in denitrification reflected N₂O emissions only in Kochi (upland) soil. The model for N₂O emissions from respiration during denitrification was a function of CO₂ emissions and was applicable in both soils.

This thesis provides a better understanding of effects of properties of compost and soil, their interactions, and influences of different NH₄⁺-N rates on N₂O and CO₂ emissions from manure compost-amended soil. The findings of this study can be used in compost management strategies with mitigating N₂O and CO₂ emissions such as the selection of appropriate compost types in agricultural soil. The mechanistic models in our study can be used to predict N₂O emissions from manure compost-amended soil and improved under field in future.