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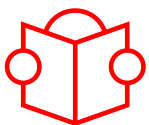
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Summary

In Côte d'Ivoire, poor agricultural practices coupled with drought induced by climate change have led to soil degradation and decreased crop yields, threatening food security. Compost, effective for soil regeneration, faces limited adoption due to high recommended doses. To reduce these doses, this study proposes an alternative approach: applying low doses

of compost combined with inoculating plants with arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi. These fungi, living in plant roots, are known for enhancing soil structure and nutrient uptake by host plants. African eggplant, the most consumed local vegetable, will serve as the case study. The aim is to assess the impact of this symbiosis on degraded soils and on the water and mineral nutrition of eggplant.



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