

# Fungal volatile organic compounds: new targets for the detection of fungal contamination and mycotoxin production

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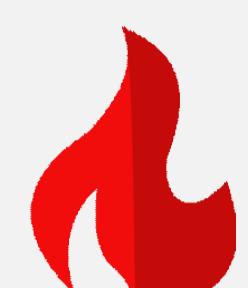
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## 1 INTRODUCTION

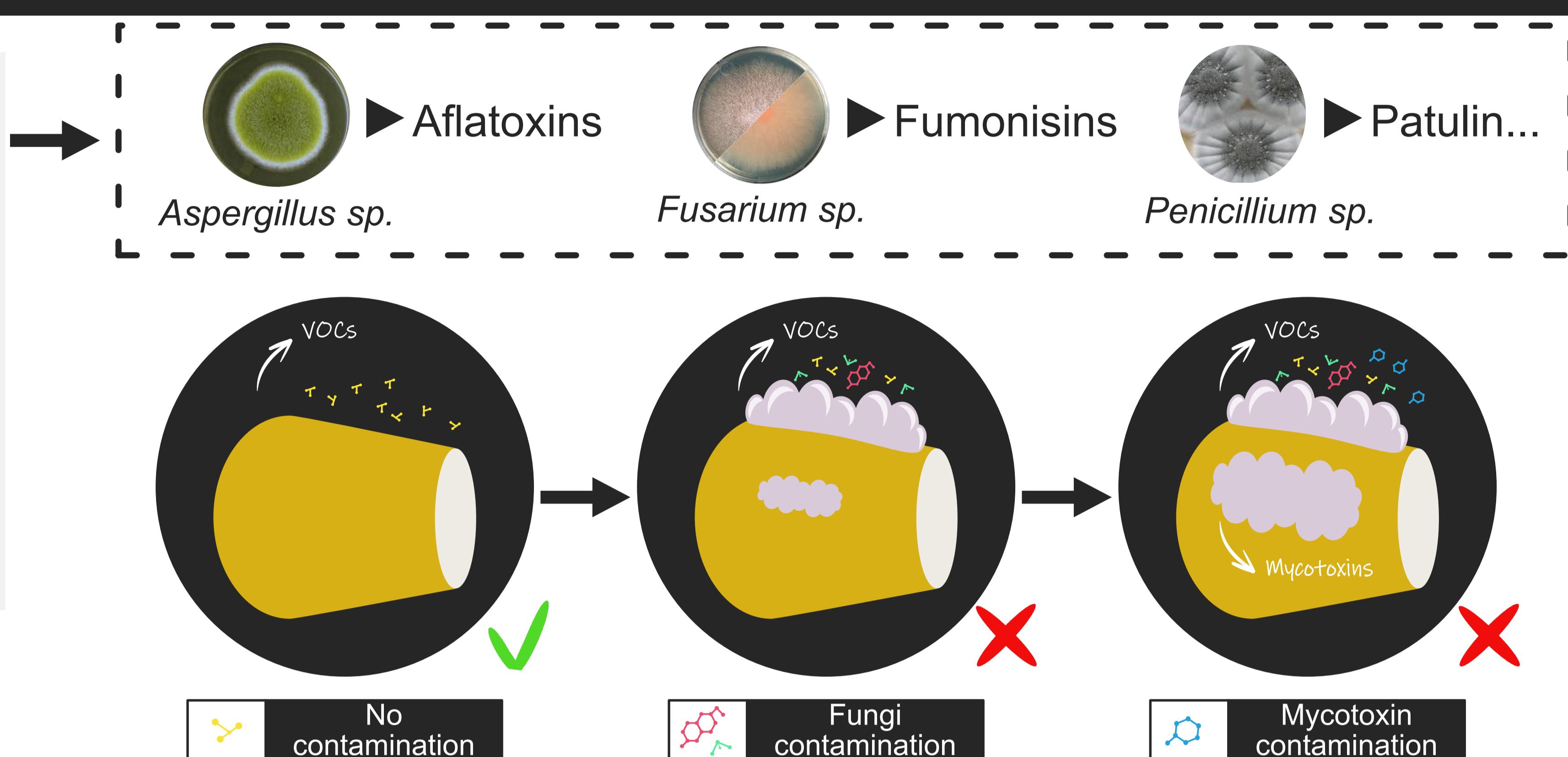
25% of the world's foodstuffs are contaminated with mycotoxins



**Thermostable** - not destroyed by conventional cooking methods

**Toxic** at low concentration  
- chronic exposition: cancer  
- acute exposition: death

The contamination by fungi and mycotoxin can be detected by monitoring the Volatile organic compounds?



## 2 RESULTS - DIFFERENT SUBSTRATS

<i>F. verticillioides</i> at 23 °C on...	PDA	Maize
3-Methylbutan-1-ol	+	+
2-Methylbutanal	+	-
Styrene	-	+
Ethyl 2-methylbutanoate	-	-
Epizonaren	-	-
Germacrene D	+	-
Alpha-Gurjunene	-	-
Delta-Cadinene	+	-
Beta-Himachalene	+	-

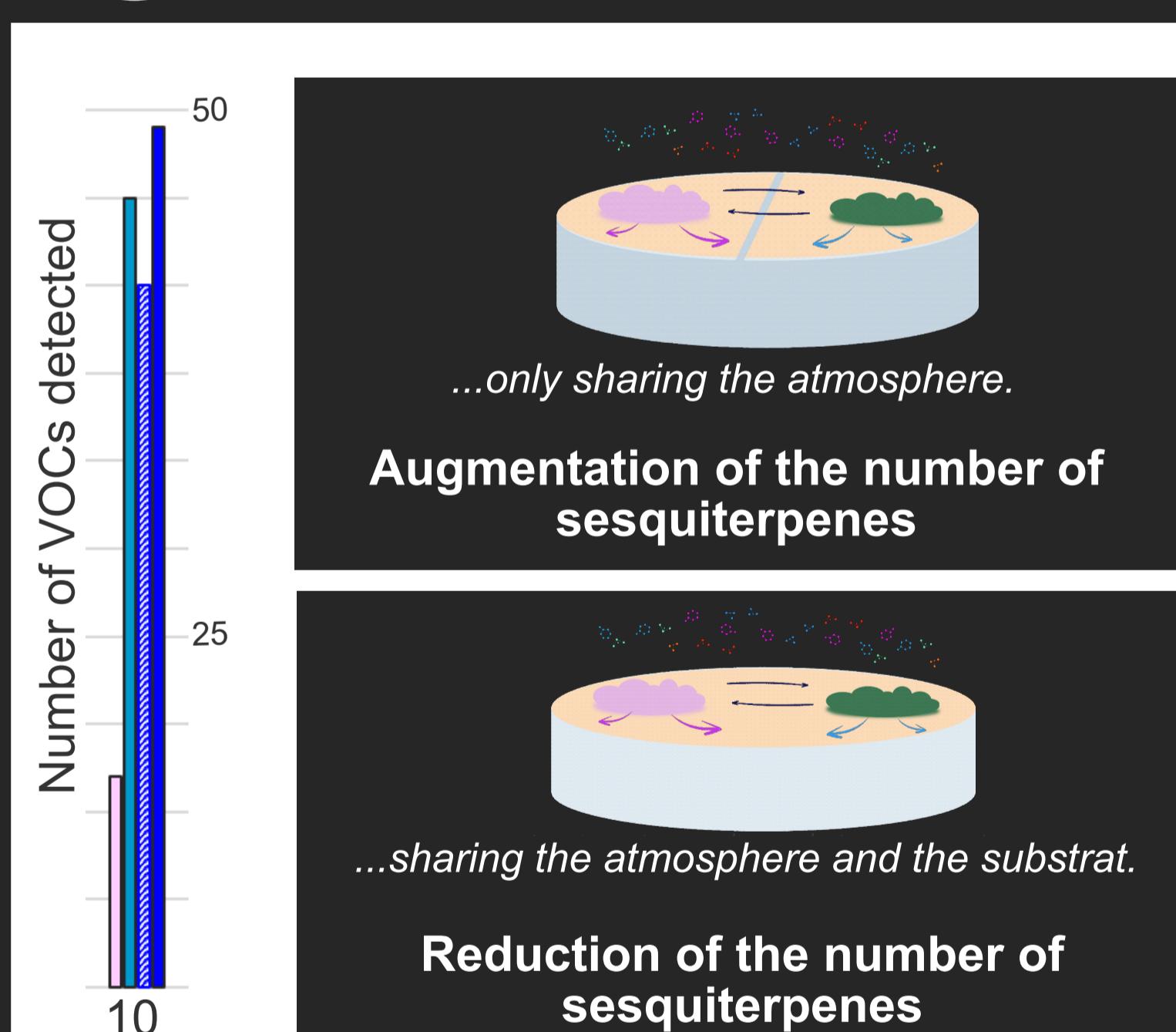
The substrat influence the emission of certain VOC

## 3 RESULTS - DIFFERENT TEMPERATURE

<i>A. flavus</i> on PDA at...	23 °C	30 °C
3-Methylbutan-1-ol	+	+
2-Methylbutanal	-	+
Styrene	+	+
Ethyl 2-methylbutanoate	-	+
Epizonaren	+	+
Germacrene D	+	+
Alpha-Gurjunene	+	+
Delta-Cadinene	+	+
Beta-Himachalene	-	+

The temperature influence the emission of certain VOC

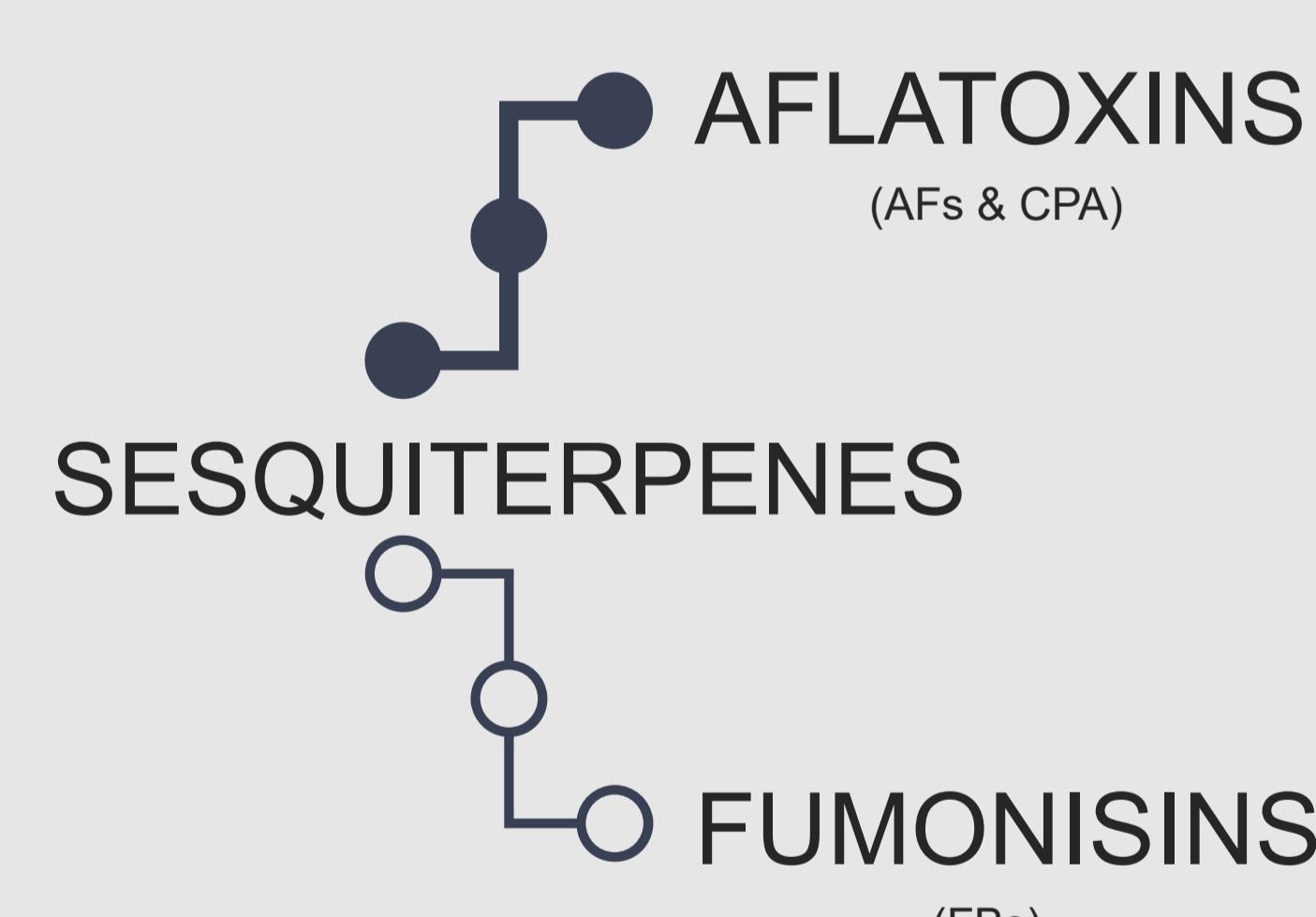
## 4 RESULTS - DIFFERENT CONDITION OF GROWTH



1 The presence of another fungi change the VOCs emitted.

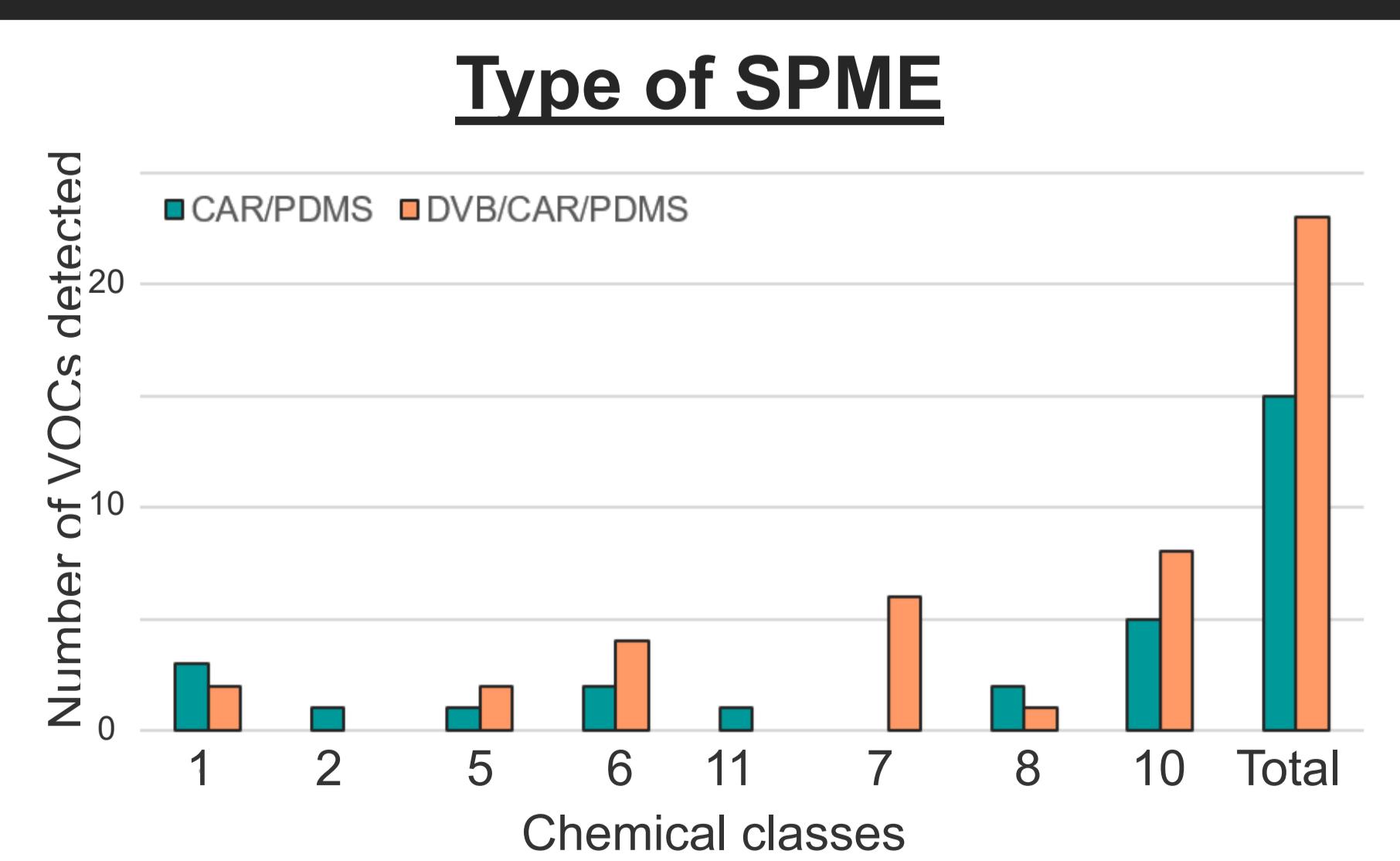
2 The kind of interaction between the two fungi affect the VOC emission.

VOCs/Mycotoxins	AFs	FBs
Epizonaren	0.98	
Alpha-cadinene	0.97	
trans-Caryophyllene	0.97	
Beta-elemene	0.96	
Beta-selinene	0.95	
Germacrene D	0.94	
Alpha-gurjunene	0.93	
Alpha-copaene	0.93	
Cadina-3,5-diene	0.93	
Alpha-calacorene	0.92	
Delta-elemene	0.90	
1,4-Cadinadiene	0.88	
Delta-cadinene	0.88	
Epi-cubenol	0.83	
(1 <sub>r</sub> ,5 <sub>s</sub> )-Alpha-acoradiene		0.89
Beta-acorenol		0.75
Alpha-cedrene		0.71

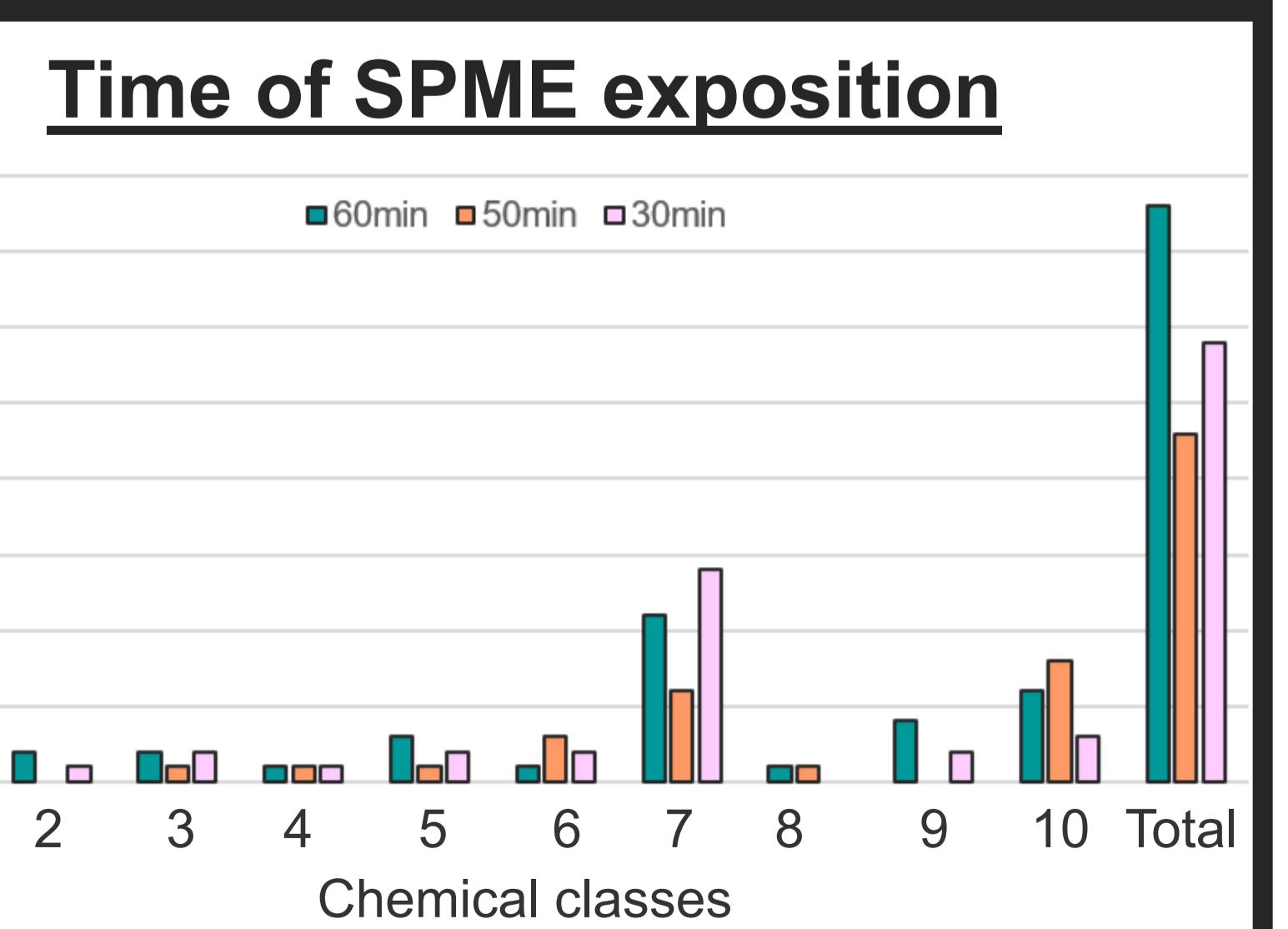


The environment of the fungi influence the VOC emitted.

## 5 RESULTS - DIFFERENT SAMPLING



Number of VOCs detected higher with the SPME triple phase.



Number of VOCs detected change depending of the time of exposition.

The choice of extraction conditions influences the detection of VOCs.

## 6 CONCLUSION

Many parameters affect the VOCs emission and detection.

Some VOCs constantly emitted can informed on the fungi contamination and mycotoxin production

