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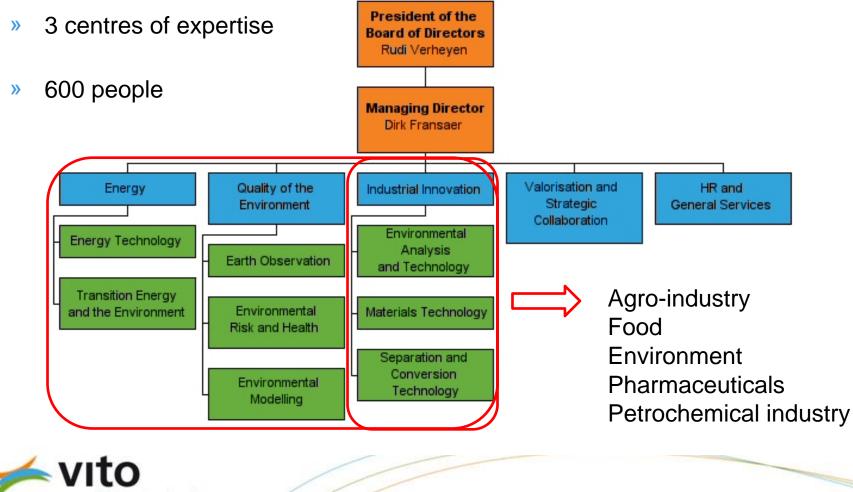
Analytical tools

In relation to COST Action FP0901 Stefan Voorspoels



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Independent and <u>customer-driven research organisation</u> that provides innovating, technological solutions and scientifically based advice and support.



Sample preparation

- on- & off-line-solid phase extration (SPE)
- solid phase microextraction (SPME)
- high pressure liquid extraction
- thermal desorption
- organic • automated gelpermeation chromatography (GPC)
 - automated carbon column clean-up
 - preparative liquid chromatography (prep-LC), etc.





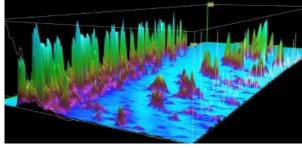


- mills
- fraction collectors
- mixers
- shakers
- inorganic • tablet press
 - microwave
 - high pressure asher
 - automatic bead machine
 - bomb combustion

Chromatography

- **GC-FID/ECD >>**
- GC-µECD **>>**
- organic GC-MS (ion-trap and quadrupole) **》**
 - » HS-GC-MS
 - Comprehensive 2D-GC-FID **》**
 - Comprehensive 2D-GC-MS (TOF) **>>**
 - **GC-HRMS >>**







Various peripheric options are available, which allows us to construct the optimal GC-system for each project:

e.g. thermal desorption unit, headspace unit, SPME, large volume injector (LV-OC with solvent vapour exit and PTV),...



Chromatography

- LC-UV **》**
- LC-MS/MS **》**
- organic **UPLC-DAD 》**
 - **UPLC-MS/MS »**
 - **UPLC-Accurate-Mass Spectrometer 》** (Exactive[™])
 - » Direct Analysis in Real Time (DART[®])
 - » online-SPE-UPLC-MS/MS







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Elemental analysis

» Inductive Coupled Plasma

- ICP-atomic emmision spectrometry (AES)
- IC-ICP-mass spectrometry (MS)
- ICP-MS
- High Resolution (HR)-ICP-MS

» mercury analysis

- Atomic Fluorescence Spectrometry (AFS) (liquids)
- Thermal Decombustion-Amalgamation-Atomic Adsorption Spectrometry (AAS) (solids)

» XRF (screening)

inorganic

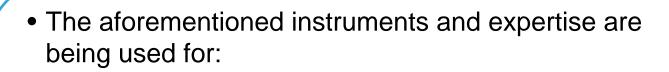
- Energy Dispersive (ED)-XRF
- Wavelenght Dispersive (WD)-XRF
- Micro (µ)-XRF

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- » metal-analysis (DP-ASV)
 - Wavelenght Differential pulse anodic stripping voltametry (DP-ASV)
- combustion elemental analysis (C, H, N, S)

(complementary techniques & destructive vs non-destructive analyses available)

ANALYTICAL R&D FOCUS



» Method development and optimisation

» (Non)-routine analyses

» Independent method evaluation

» Scientific support of R&D-projects

» Training and consultancy

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 Currently running related research project: Valorisation of waste streams of agro-industry, where characterisation is also a big challenge





» State-of-the-art analytical facilities

» Expertise

- Quantification of organic residues in complex matrices
- Trace level analysis
- Speciation analysis
- Multicomponent analysis
- » Benefits from and for on-going research
- » Short-term Scientific Missions (STSM)



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DART™-accurate massa-MS

- » 'Direct Analysis in Real Time'
- » No or little sample preparation
- » In open air at ambient conditions
- » Very fast measurement (seconds)
- » If coupled to accurate mass spectrometer
 - → high selectivity
 - \rightarrow identification of components



