

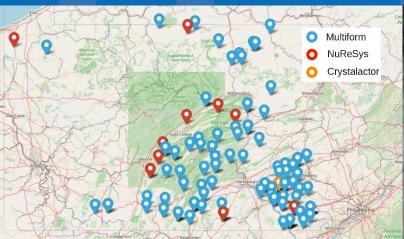




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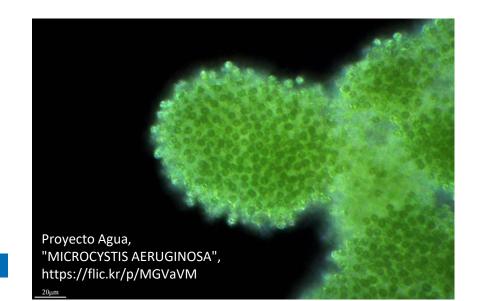


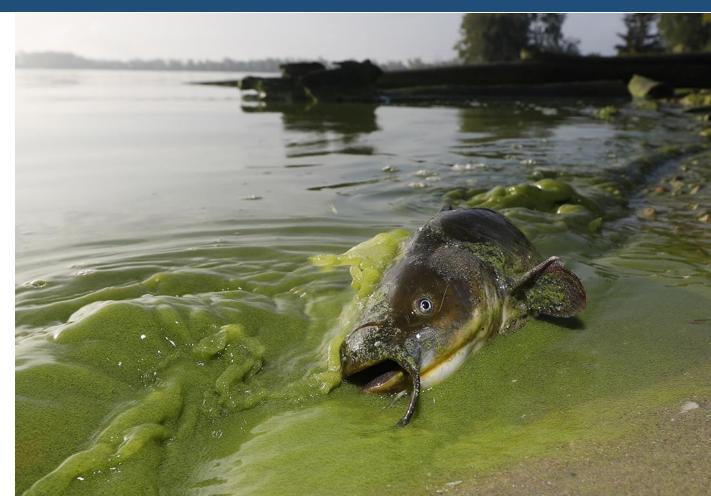




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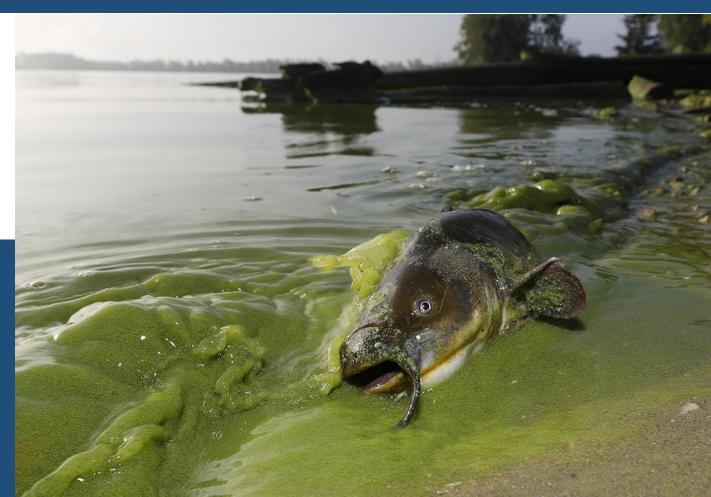




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- Environmental and public health issues
- Higher environmental remediation costs









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Hellebardius, "Agriculture", 2013. https://flic.kr/p/eZLzBN

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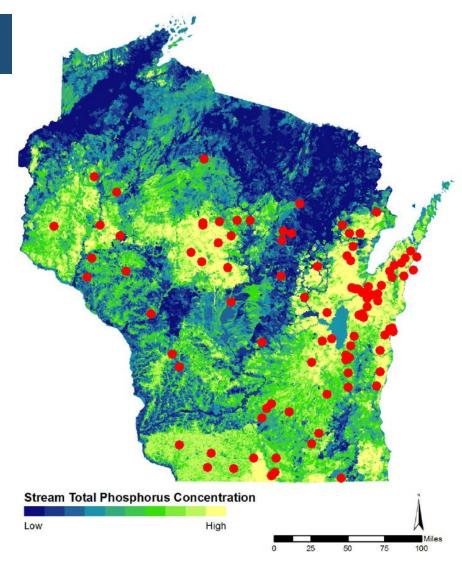


#### Phosphorus releases from livestock facilities

Correlation between CAFOs location and excessive soil phosphorus concentration

Potential P runoffs to waterbodies originated from CAFOs releases

Apoorva M. Sampat, Edgar Martin, Mariano Martin, Victor M. Zavala. Optimization formulations for multi-product supply chain networks, Computers & Chemical Engineering, 104, 2017,296-310. doi: 10.1016/j.compchemeng.2017.04.021.







## III. Objective



Develop a techno-economic decision tool for nutrient management from animal waste and guide stakeholders to design optimal waste management system for nutrient pollution prevention and control





Contact

Decission-making tool for nutrient recovery technology implementation in Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.
University of Salamanca.

Techno-economic modelling

NumPy

GIS data management



**GeoPandas** 

**GIS** visualization



#### NUTRIENT RECOVERY TECHNOLOGY SELECTION

Open nutrient recovery technologies decission-making model

#### NUTRIENT POLLUTION GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Geographical information about nutrient pollution in U.S. watersheds

GIS DATA

Data visualization



Tool framework



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INPUT DATA









#### Target user

- Owners of livestock facilities
- Federal and state regulatory agencies
- Entrepreneurs



#### **Livestock facility data**

- Geographical location
- Type and number of animals in the facility

## Techno-economic module

- Mass and energy balances
- Equipment capital cost
- Process economic evaluation
- Environmental performance



### Environmental geographic information module

- Trophic State Index
- Techno-ecological synergy (TES) indicator
- · Soil fertility



#### **MCDA** module

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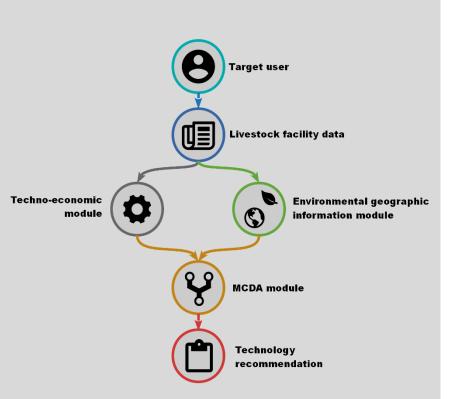






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CAFO PARAMETE	RS	
Number of Animals. Dairy	Cows: 2145	
Number of Animals. Dairy	Heifers: 0	
Number of Animals. Dairy	Calfs: 0	
Number of Animals. Beef	Cows: 0	
Number of Animals, Beef	Calfs: 0	
Facility Location. Longitud	e: -78.43	10
Facility Location. Latitude:	39.79	0
INTEGRAL ORGAN	JIC WAST	E TDEATME
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Solid-Liquid separation:	✓	
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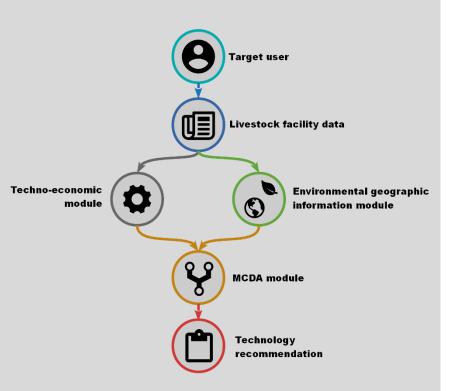


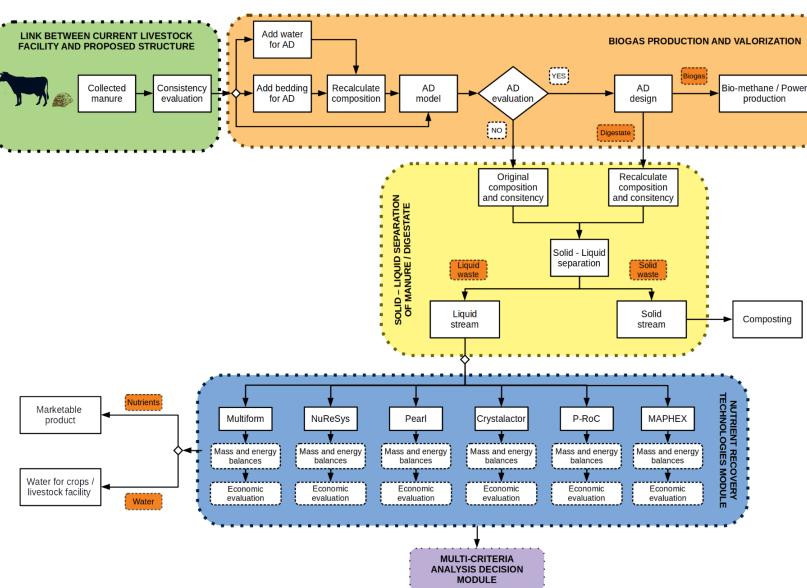




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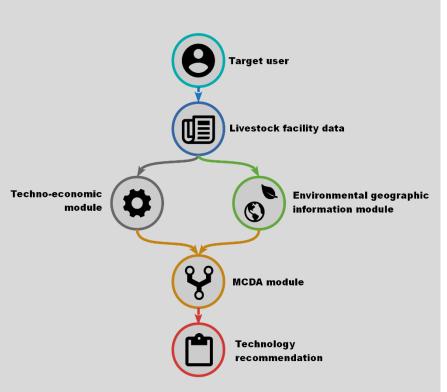






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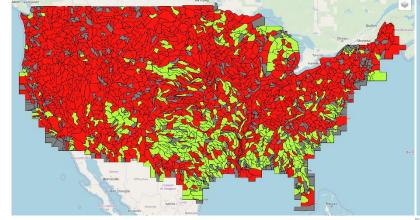
#### Three indicators to evaluate watersheds phosphorus pollution:

#### **Soil condition:**

Mehlich 3 phosphorus

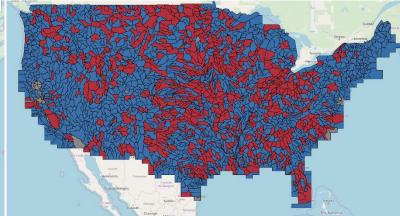
#### **Anthropogenic phosphorus balance:**

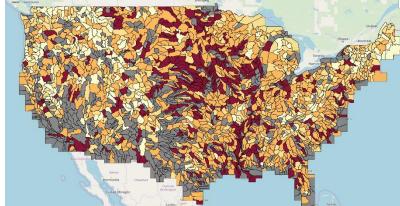
Techno-ecological synergy (TES) sustainability metric



## Water condition:

Trophic State Index (TSI) of the lakes located in the watershed









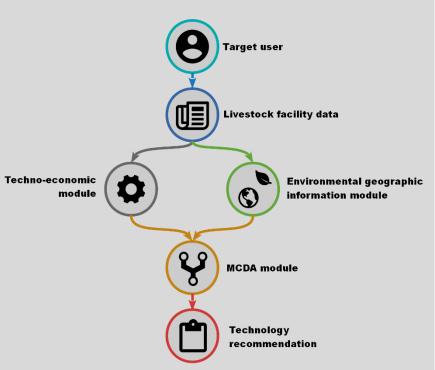


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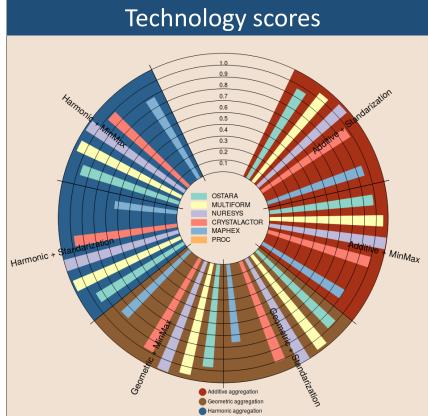
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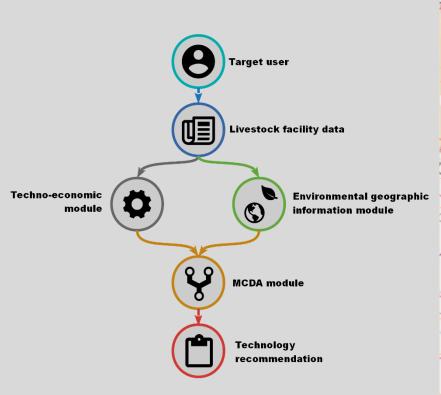


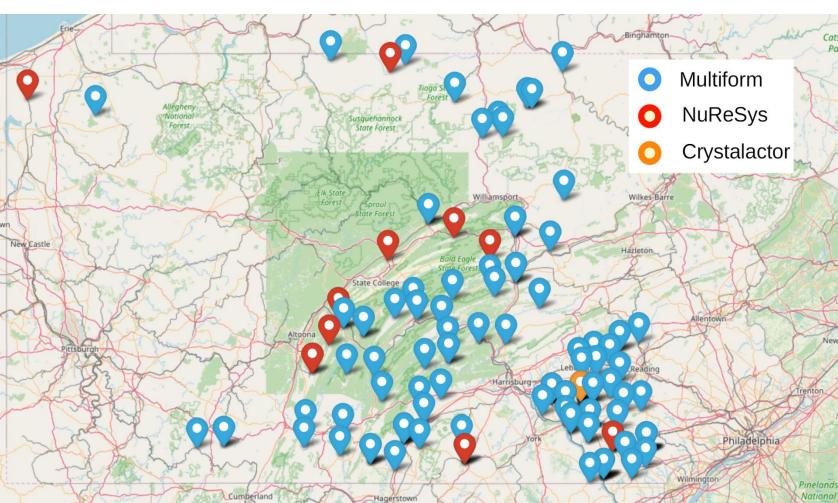












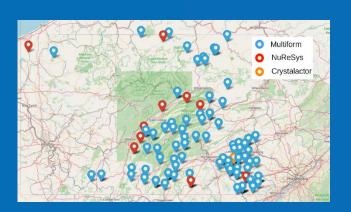






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