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Rquefts-package

Quantitative Evaluation of the Native Fertility of Tropical Soils

Description

R interface to a the QUEFTS model

Fertilizers

Helper functions to go from fertilizers to nutrients

Description

Computes the amount of nutrients given a rate of fertilizer.

Usage

```
fertilizers()  
nutrientRates(supply, treatment)
```

Arguments

supply	data.frame with columns "N", "P", "K" expressed as percentage of the product (row)
treatment	amounts applied

Examples

```
# fertilizer product list  
fert <- fertilizers()  
# shortening some of the names for display  
fert[,2] = substr(fert[,2], 1, 20)  
# contents are expressed as a percentage.  
fert  
  
myferts <- fert[c(8,15), ]  
nutrientRates(myferts, c(100,50))
```

nutSupply	<i>Soil nutrients supply for QUEFTS model</i>
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Description

Computes the base (unfertilized) soil supply of N, P and K according to Janssen et al., 1990, Table 2. For use with the QUEFTS model.

Usage

```
nutSupply(pH, SOC, Kex, Polsen, Ptotal=NA)
```

Arguments

pH	soil pH (H ₂ O)
SOC	Soil organic carbon (g/kg)
Kex	Exchangeable K (mmol/kg)
PolSen	P-Olsen (mg/kg)
Ptotal	Total P (mg/kg)

Value

Three column matrix with Nsup, Psup and Ksup (kg/ha): the potential supply of N, P and K of the (unfertilized) soil.

References

Janssen et al., 1990. A system for the quantitative evaluation of tropical soils. *Geoderma* 46: 299-318

Examples

```
s <- nutSupply(6, c(23, 11, 35), 15, c(1.6, 2.6, 2.4))  
s
```

quefts

*QUEFTS model***Description**

Create a QUEFTS model, set parameters, and run it to compute nutrient requirements and nutrient limited yield.

A number of default crop parameter sets are provided, as well as one example soil. You need to provide attainable crop production (in this context that is the maximum production in the absence of nutrient limitation), or target dry-matter biomass for leaves, stems and the storage organ (e.g. grain, root or tuber). Some crops are grown for the stems/leaves, in which case there is no relevant storage organ (e.g. sugarcane, jute). production yield estimates can be obtained with a crop growth model.

For a cereal crop you can assume that 50

Usage

```
quefts(soil, crop, fert, biom)
quefts_soil()
quefts_fert()
quefts_crop(name="")
quefts_biom()
crop(x) <- value
soil(x) <- value
fert(x) <- value
biom(x) <- value
run(x, ...)
```

Arguments

soil	list with named soil parameters. See Details. An example is returned by <code>quefts_soil()</code>
crop	list with named crop parameters. See Details. An example is returned by <code>quefts_crop()</code>
fert	list with named fertilizer parameters (N, P and K). An example is returned by <code>quefts_fert()</code>
biom	list with named biomass and growing season length parameters. An example is returned by <code>quefts_biom()</code>
name	character. crop name
x	QueftsModel object
value	list with soil, crop, fertilizer, or biomass parameters as above
...	additional arguments. None implemented

Details

Input Parameters**Soil**

N_base_supply, P_base_supply, K_base_supply

N_recovery, P_recovery, K_recovery

UptakeAdjust

Crop

_minVeg, _maxVeg, _minStore, _maxStore

Yzero

Nfix

Management

N, P, K

Crop yield

leaf_att, stem_att, store_att

SeasonLength

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Output Variables

N_actual_supply, P_actual_supply, K_actual_supply

leaf_lim, stem_lim, store_lim

N_gap, P_gap, K_gap

Explanation

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Potential supply (kg/ha) of N, P and K of the (unfertilized) soil

Fertilizer recovery, that is, the fraction of applied fertilizer that is recovered

Two-column matrix to compute the fraction uptake from soil

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minimum and maximum concentration of "_" (N, P, or K) in soil

the maximum biomass of vegetative organs at zero yield of crop

the fraction of a crop's nitrogen uptake supplied by biological nitrogen fixation

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N, P, and K fertilizer applied.

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Attainable (in the absence of nutrient limitation), or target crop yield

Length of the growing season (days)

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Explanation

nutrient uptake from soil (not fertilizer) (kg/ha)

nutrient limited biomass of leaves, stems, and storage organs (kg/ha)

fertilizer required to reach the specified biomass (kg/ha)

Value

vector with output variables as described in the Details

References

Janssen, Guiking, Van der Eijk, Smaling, Wolf and Van Reuler, 1990. A system for the quantitative evaluation of tropical soils. *Geoderma* 46: 299-318

Sattari, Van Ittersum, Bouwman, Smit, and Janssen, 2014. Crop yield response to soil fertility and N, P, K inputs in different environments: Testing and improving the QUEFTS model. *Field Crops Research* 157:35-46

Examples

```
# create a QUEFTS model
# 1. get parameters
soiltype <- quefts_soil()
barley <- quefts_crop("Barley")
fertilizer <- list(N=0, P=0, K=0)
att_yield <- list(leaf_att=2200, stem_att=2700, store_att=4800, SeasonLength=110)

# 2. create a model
q <- quefts(soiltype, barley, fertilizer, att_yield)
```

```

# 3. run the model
run(q)

# change some parameters
q$SeasonLength <- 162
q$leaf_att <- 2651
q$stem_att <- 5053
q$store_att <- 8208

q$N <- 100
q$P <- 50
q$K <- 50

run(q)

## note that Rquefts uses C++ reference classes.
## This means that if you copy a quefts model, you do not create a
## new instance of the model, but you point to the same one!
q <- quefts()
q["N"]
k <- q
k["N"] <- 150
k["N"]
# the value of q has also changed!
q["N"]

## different ways of subsetting / replacement
q <- quefts()
q$N
q$N <- 30
q["N"]
q["N"] <- 90
q["model", "N"]
q["model", "N"] <- 60
q$N

q$soil$N_recovery
q["soil$N_recovery"]
q["soil$N_recovery"] <- .6
q["soil", "N_recovery"]
q["soil", "N_recovery"] <- .4
q$soil$N_recovery

```

QueftsModel-class

QueftsModel class

Description

These are the classes!

QueftsModel-class

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