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**Tenax extraction as predictor for free available
content of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)
in composted sewage sludges**

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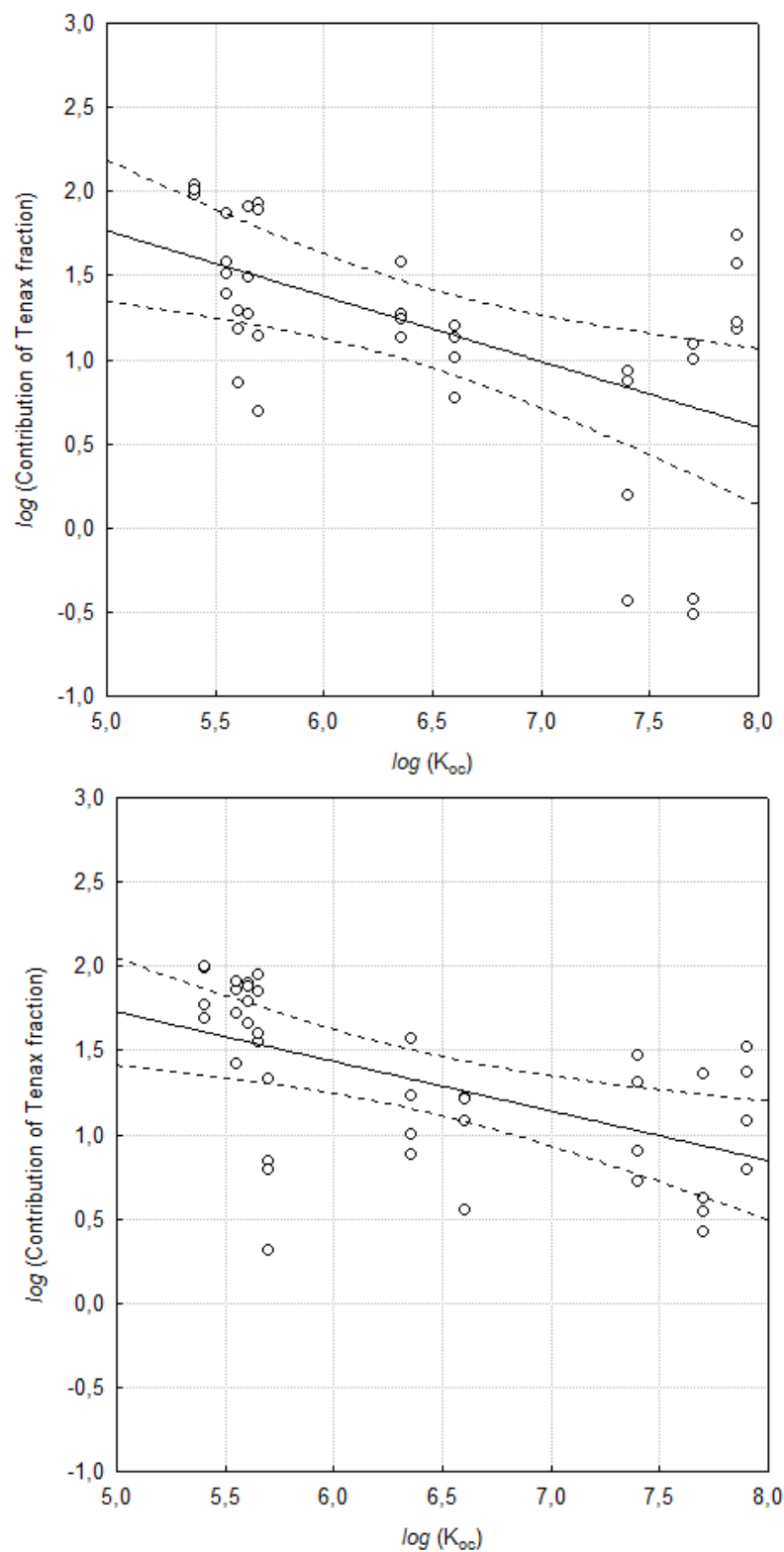


Fig. S1. Linear regression between $\log(K_{oc})$ and $\log(\text{contribution of Tenax fraction})$. Dotted lines represent 95% confidence intervals.

Table S1. The content of individual PAHs in fraction extracted with dichloromethane (DCM) and Tenax-TA (TX)

| PAHs | KR | | | | ZM | | | |
|-------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| | SL | | C | | SL | | C | |
| | DCM | TX | DCM | TX | DCM | TX | DCM | TX |
| Phen | 169.0±11 | 183.3±9.0 | 206.8±7 | 101.4±5.9 | 107.0±9 | 117.5±7.8 | 74.5±4.7 | 72.6±5.7 |
| Ant | 582.3±31 | 432.7±30 | 931.5±28 | 246.2±10.8 | 51.9±5 | 16.8±1.0 | 35.7±2.6 | 26.0±1.4 |
| Fluo | 862.2±37 | 269.1±13 | 534.0±14 | 193.4±12.7 | 400.3±28 | 324.0±21.6 | 353.7±25 | 320.7±22.4 |
| Pyr | 4834.7±186 | 4102.2±364 | 3171.2±202 | 66.2±3.4 | 687.6±62 | 96.0±7.8 | 442.3±22 | 95.7±5.8 |
| BaA | 504.2±22 | 99.7±7.1 | 352.1±12 | 161.7±5.9 | 355.5±21 | 54.5±2.7 | 108.7±7.2 | 87.9±4.3 |
| Ch | 282.9±15 | 53.0±3.8 | 287.6±8 | 29.2±1.9 | 157.3±14 | 60.7±3.5 | 86.9±8.5 | 32.8±2.6 |
| BbF | 434.4±38 | 59.0±2.1 | 512.1±20 | 18.4±1.1 | 245.3±28 | 25.6±1.1 | 115.6±8.1 | 19.4±1.0 |
| BaP | 1272.5±28 | 109.0±5.8 | 382.8±13 | 30.5±1.3 | 466.0±42 | 1.7±0.1 | 132.4±11 | 27.6±1.9 |
| BghiP | 719.9±17 | 73.7±4.2 | 267.8±10 | 7.1±0.5 | 341.3±27 | 1.3±0.1 | 101.4±7.4 | 3.6±0.2 |
| Ind | 283.0±16 | 42.8±3.0 | 201.2±8 | 24.2±1.4 | 346.1±24 | 191.4±11.0 | 98.4±9.2 | 23.3±1.8 |

KR – sewage sludge from Krasnik, ZM – sewage sludge from Zamość; SL – sewage sludge; C – compost; Phen – phenanthrene; Ant – anthracene; Fluo – fluoranthene; Pyr – pyrene, BaA – benzo[a]anthracene; Ch – chryzene; BbF – benzo[b]fluoranthene; BaP – benzo[a]pyrene, BghiP – benzo[ghi]perylene; Ind – indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene; ± - standard deviation (n=3).

Table S2. The content of individual PAHs in fraction extracted with dichloromethane (DCM) and Tenax (TX)

| PAHs | BJ | | | | LB | | | |
|-------|-----------|------------|----------|------------|----------|------------|----------|------------|
| | SL | | C | | SL | | C | |
| | DCM | TX | DCM | TX | DCM | TX | DCM | TX |
| Phen | 226.8±14 | 220.2±15.9 | 162.2±6 | 161.5±13.2 | 173.4±11 | 178.9±15.0 | 118.6±7 | 69.8±6.1 |
| Ant | 119.1±3 | 46.2±3.2 | 80.6±4 | 66.5±4.8 | 72.2±5 | 18.1±1.3 | 61.3±3 | 32.2±3.1 |
| Fluo | 1163.5±48 | 952.8±51.5 | 631.8±30 | 253.5±17.4 | 572.0±31 | 107.7±8.2 | 479.5±31 | 344.8±24.8 |
| Pyr | 1125.9±43 | 55.4±3.4 | 680.1±21 | 48.2±4.4 | 852.1±38 | 670.0±35.5 | 405.5±30 | 25.3±2.1 |
| BaA | 628.2±33 | 96.7±5.7 | 383.7±20 | 289.9±19.8 | 337.2±22 | 24.7±1.7 | 142.9±8 | 89.4±7.8 |
| Ch | 260.9±11 | 35.9±3.0 | 259.7±11 | 19.8±1.8 | 148.2±11 | 26.3±1.2 | 84.6±4 | 14.4±0.9 |
| BbF | 368.5±13 | 59.2±2.8 | 188.6±7 | 23.1±1.7 | 253.3±14 | 15.2±1.1 | 91.7±3 | 15.2±1.5 |
| BaP | 549.1±27 | 8.6±0.5 | 212.2±10 | 11.4±0.9 | 236.6±11 | 17.8±0.9 | 110.5±3 | 33.2±2.7 |
| BghiP | 354.2±14 | 1.1±0.1 | 121.9±4 | 28.1±1.9 | 119.4±4 | 14.8±0.7 | 136.3±7 | 5.7±0.3 |
| Ind | 166.3±10 | 61.8±2.7 | 140.4±5 | 8.7±0.8 | 64.1±4 | 10.8±0.7 | 68.7±5 | 22.9±1.9 |

BJ – sewage sludge from Bilgoraj, LB – sewage sludge from Lublin; SL – sewage sludge; C – compost; Phen – phenanthrene; Ant – anthracene; Fluo – fluoranthene; Pyr – pyrene, BaA – benzo[a]anthracene; Ch – chryzene; BbF – benzo[b]fluoranthene; BaP – benzo[a]pyrene, BghiP – benzo[ghi]perylene; Ind – indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene; ± - standard deviation (n=3).