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1) publications

After numerous discussions, the following 3 papers will be prepared:

- * from SIMUL task, a paper (4 labs, 8 feeds...) that Rosa has almost finished
- ** from Chem and Simul task: a paper written by Rosa and Maria Jesus
- *** Finally, the paper of "synthesis" with the three prediction method (Nirs, Chem, Simul) under the responsibility of Xiccato.
- **** Luc also confirmed an article issued from trials with soybean and sunflower meal (MEV task).

For the paper, which is in the hands of **JM Perez**, **I think** few works is necessary to finish.... but he needs to be stimulated please send him some mail (Luc? Momi?)

2) WEB site

Juanjo will update the site as soon as possible, and will include the last publications (including, papers from COST meetings....), the report of our last meetings, and "an update marker" to show that this EGRAN group is still living....

The site also should be modified to **insert a page on SABA.** (see some pictures attached with the mail)

3) SABA

A discussion is engaged about the possibility of using the SABA bank and the databank + prediction equation. Rosa will discuss with private partners in order to evaluate their interest in this tool.

The freezing room, where the sample bank is stored, was repaired for a total cost of 2638 €. INRA-SRC paid 50% of this amount (1319€).

<u>In addition</u>, Thierry mentioned that **some time has already been spent** to remove the samples (30 boxes) from the freezing room when repairing, and they **were move again** to return the freezing room.

The group agree to share this amount among the 6 EGRAN-partners: that mean each will contribute for 220 € INRA will send invoices at each partner.

Thierry will check the quality of the samples, and will remove the samples of faeces, to reduce the size of the bank.

Here are attached some shots of SABA. Some of these pictures should be included in the WEB site. As you will see on the pictures, the bank requires an area of 2 meters long by 2 meters high and 40cm large.

4) STREP 2005 (European project)

Juanjo Pascual leads this discussion.

Several points were debated: particularly the objectives of the project and the teams implicated.

5) next meeting

Luc & and me will ask to COST a short meeting, for the 4-6 November in Madrid.

Objective: more deep discussions about:

- 1) final preparation of the STREP"2005"
- 2) equations and further publications, use of WEB.....
- 3) methods for digestibility measurement in the young rabbit.