The challenge 2018 is very simple. There are two sets of NIR spectra and one parameter to be predicted. The CAL set contains 3908 spectra and the VAL set 429. The first column is just the sample number and the variable of interest is in column 2. The data are in a CSV format. We hope that everyone is able to read CSV files.

The criterion to choose the best results will be the MAD or the Median Absolute Deviation of the residuals for the blind test set (VAL, N=429).

The participants have to send their results (One vector of 429 values in TXT or Excel) to Pierre Dardenne at dardennepaj@gmail.com by the Wednesday 24 January 2018. They are invited to join a short PPT or DOC file with the methodology.

The participants with the best results will be asked to present their results during the meeting (30/01) in 5-10 minutes depending of the number of answers. Good luck.

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