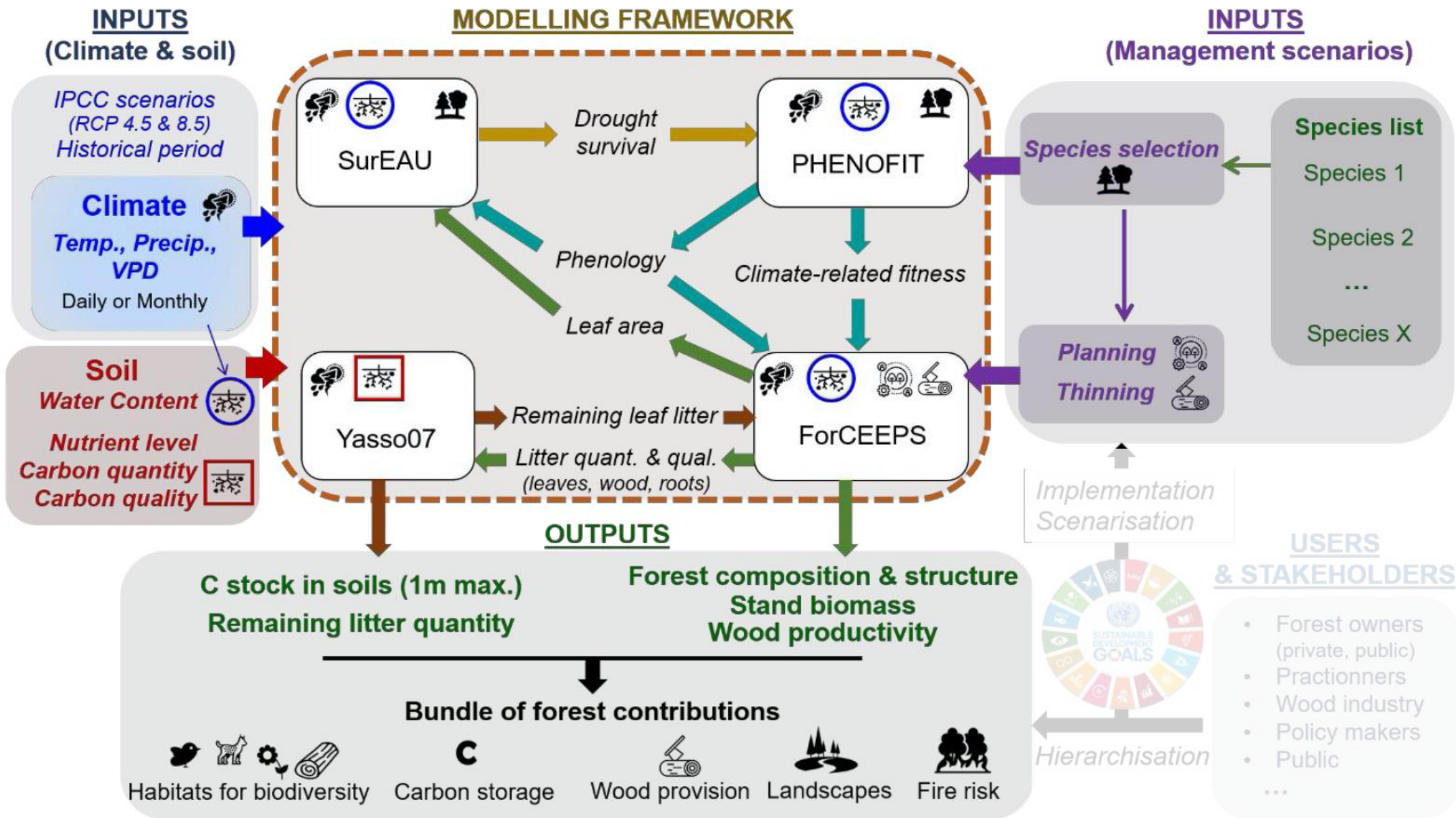




Forests : a lever to attenuate climate change

Context

15-19%
absorption of
CO₂ emissions

+ Stocking

+ Substitution

+ Sequestration

53 millions m³
annual harvest

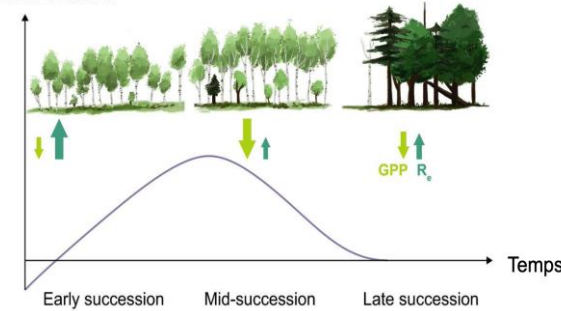
+ ↑ CO₂

+ ↑ °C

+ ↑ harvested Volumes

**Towards a more dynamic
sylviculture?**

Capacité de l'écosystème
à stocker du carbone

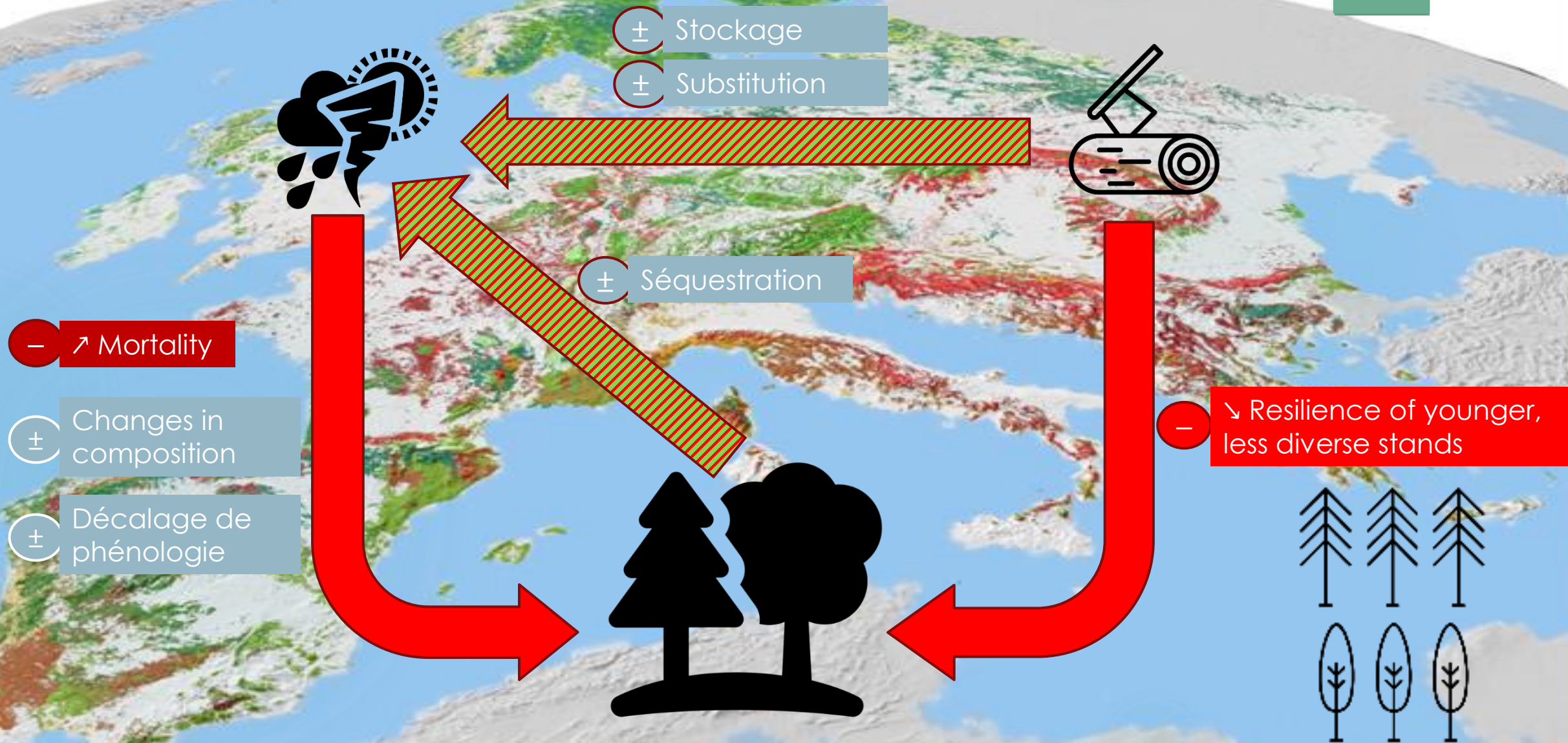


IFN 2024 data

17.5 millions hectares of forest (32% coverage)

Forests : vulnerability to climate change

Context



Forests : other services

Carbon capture & climate
regulation



Wood products

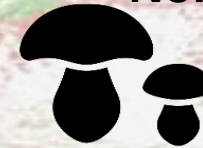
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Soil
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Non-wood products



Biodiversity



Landscape
Living
environment



Conservation
Cultural value



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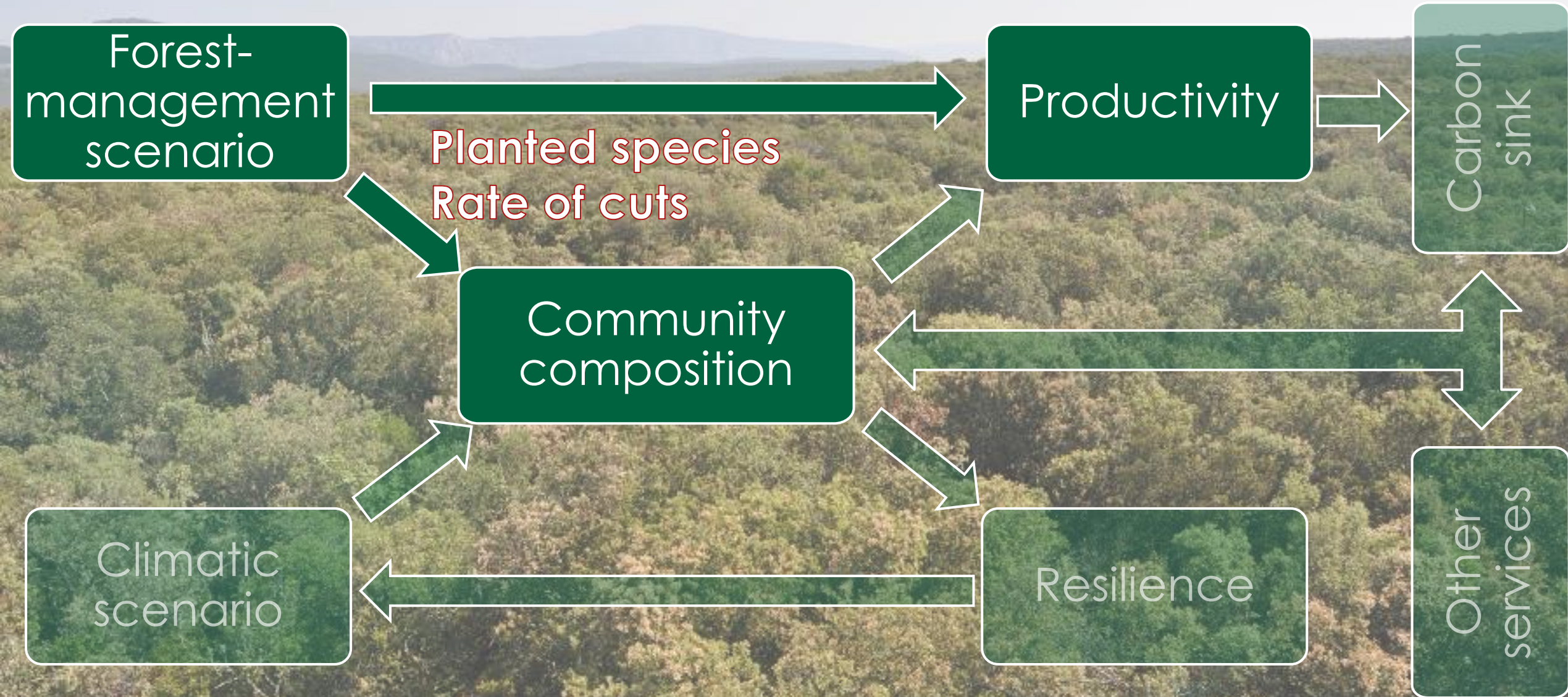
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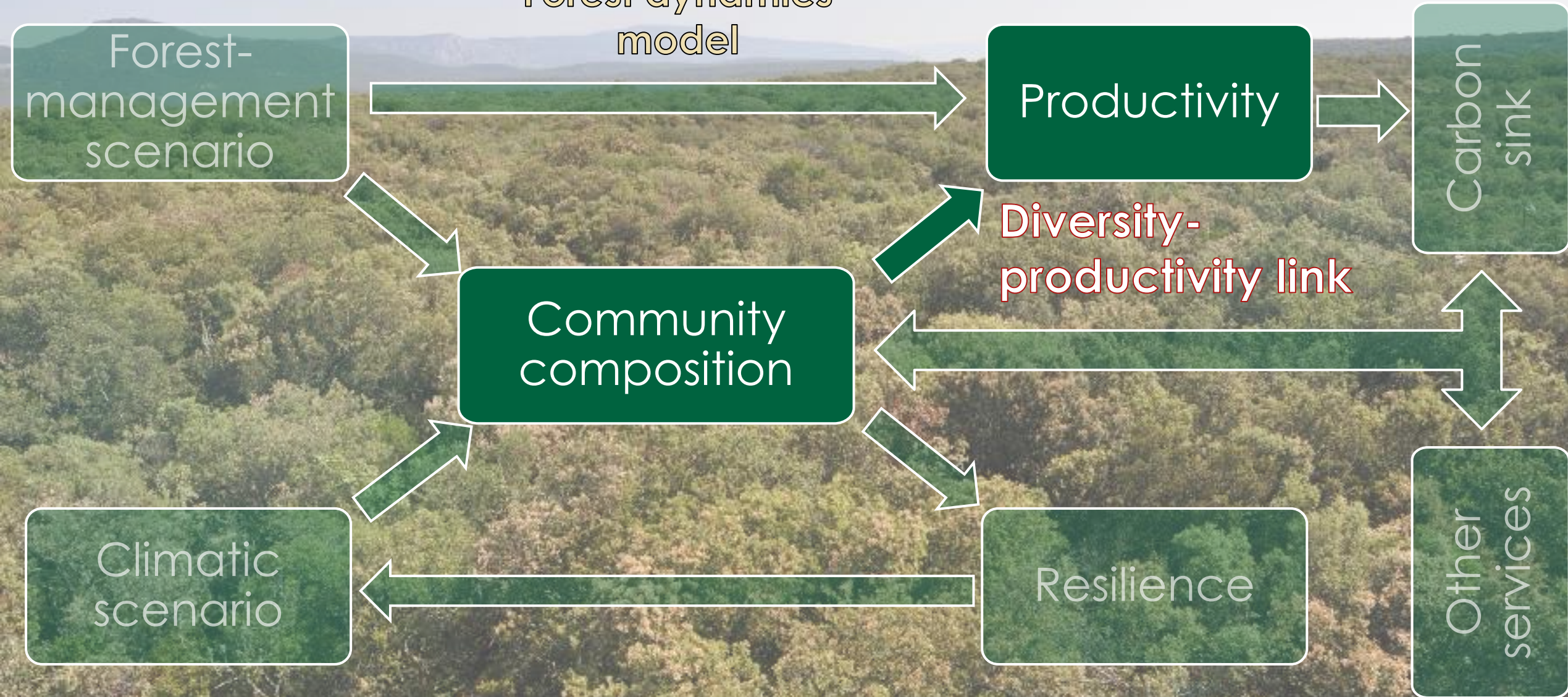
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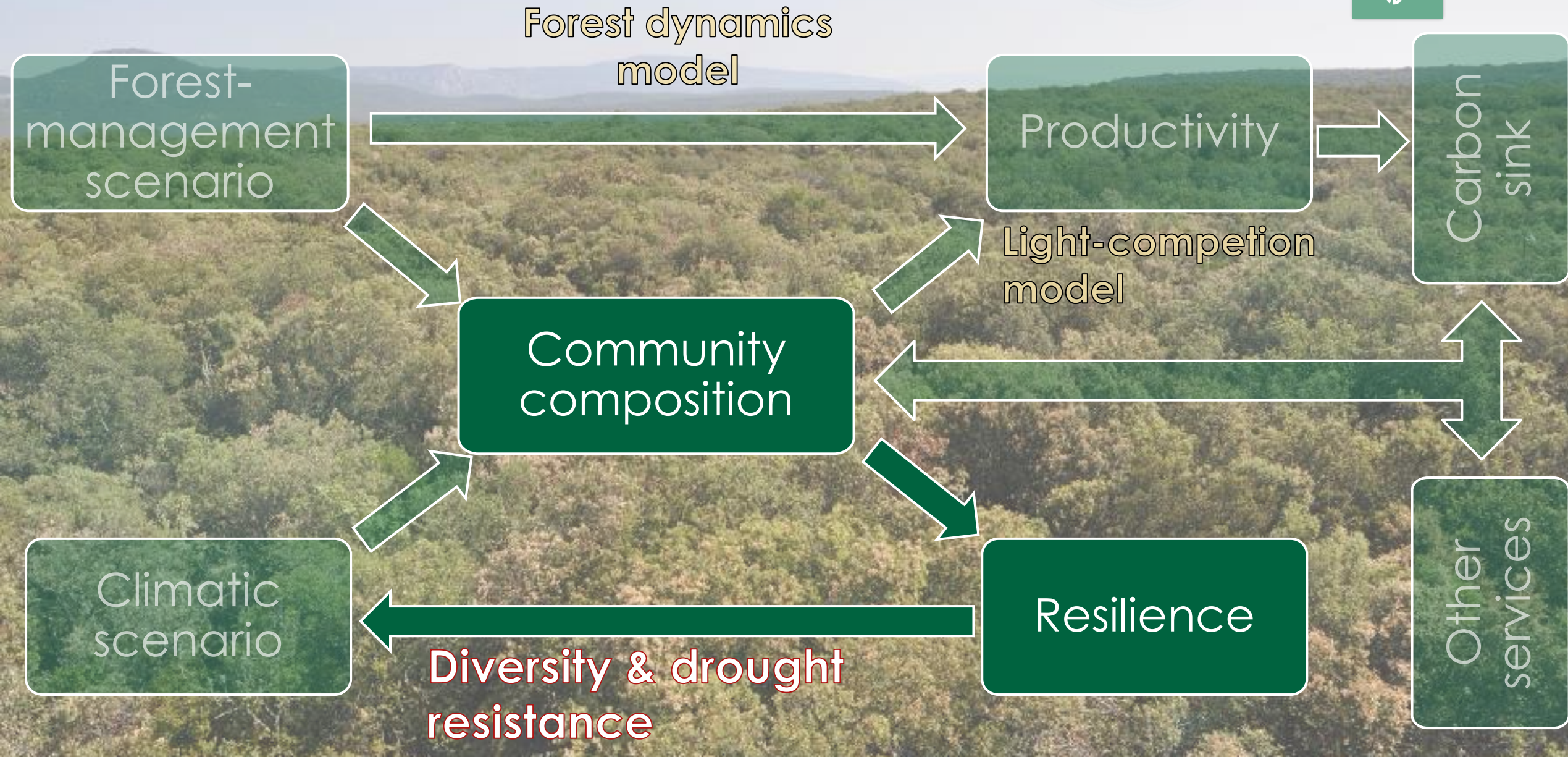
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Forest dynamics
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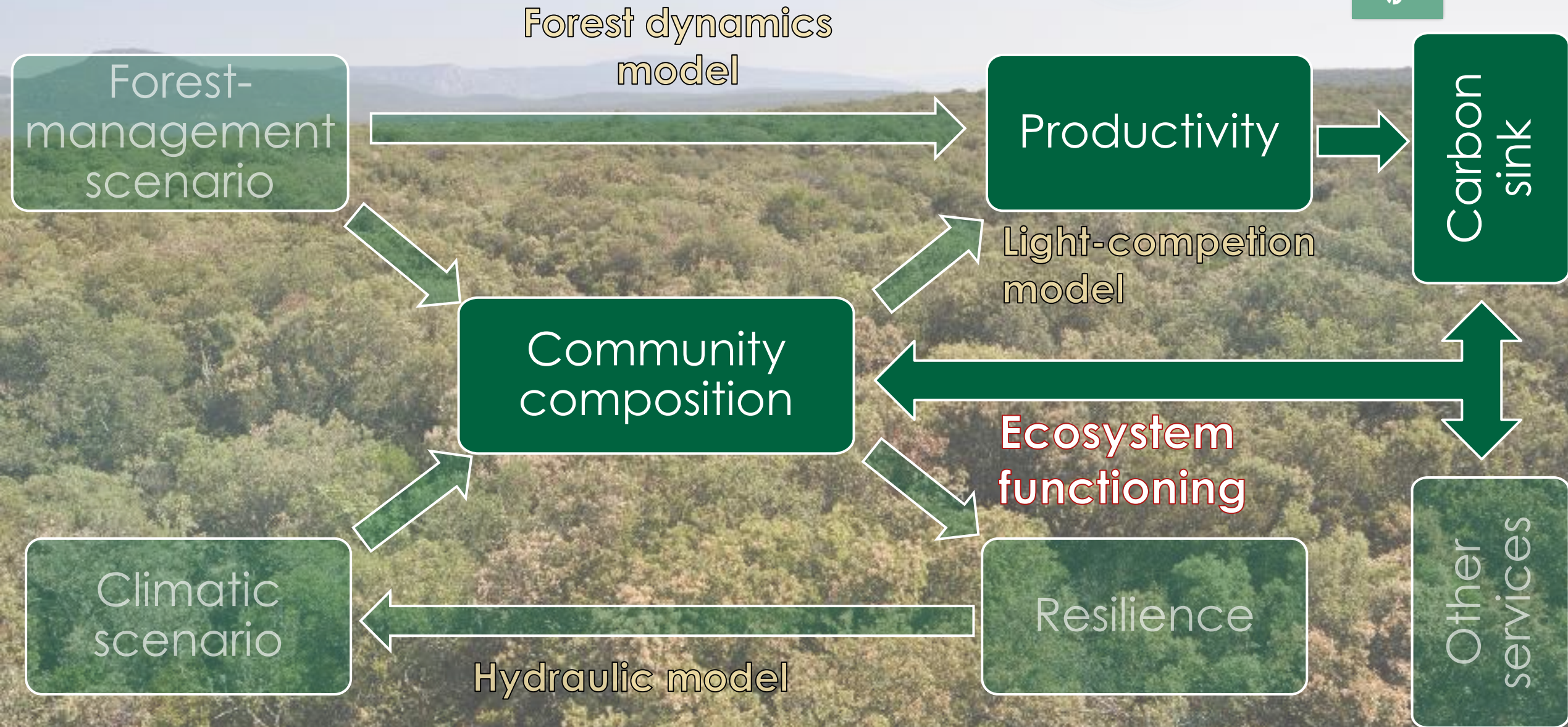


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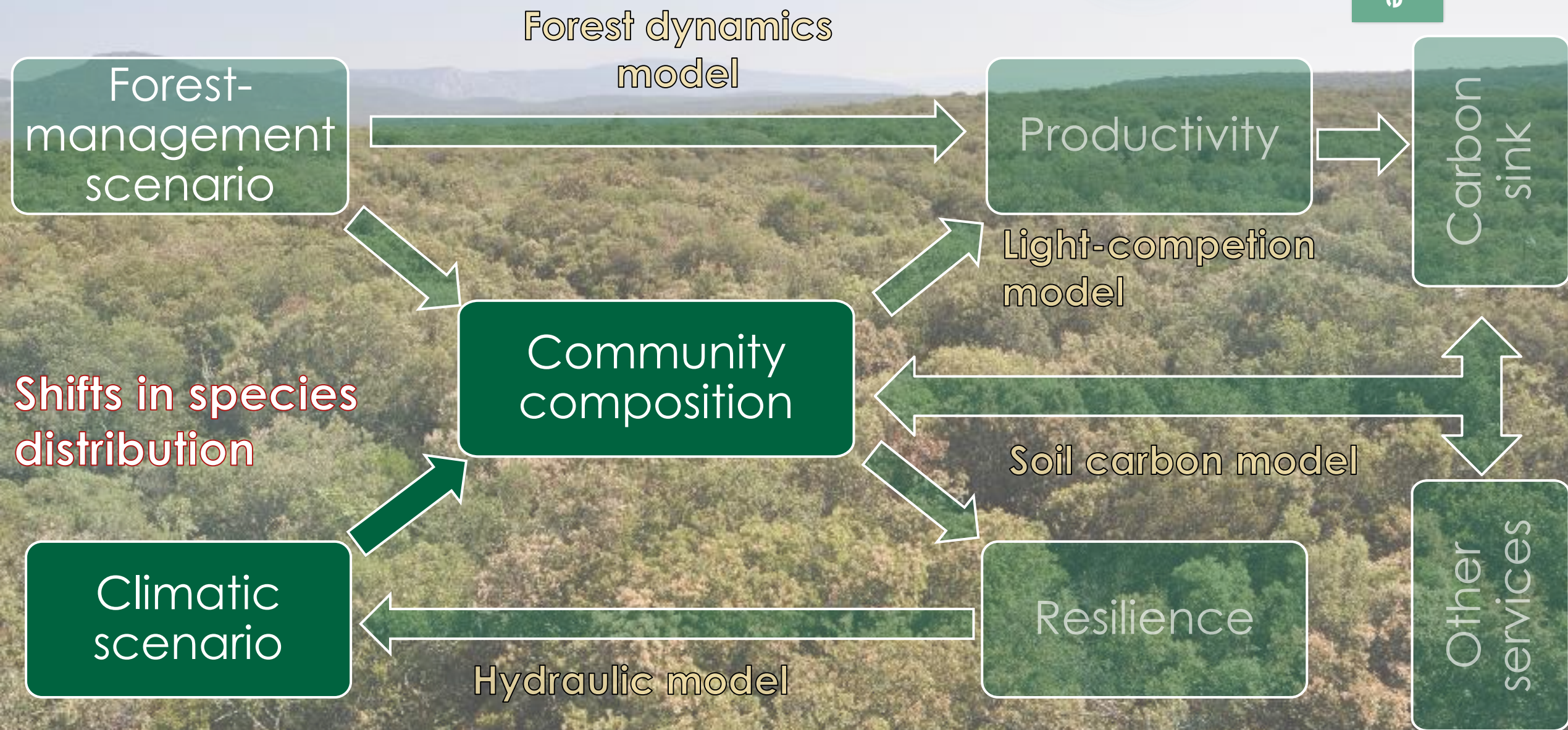
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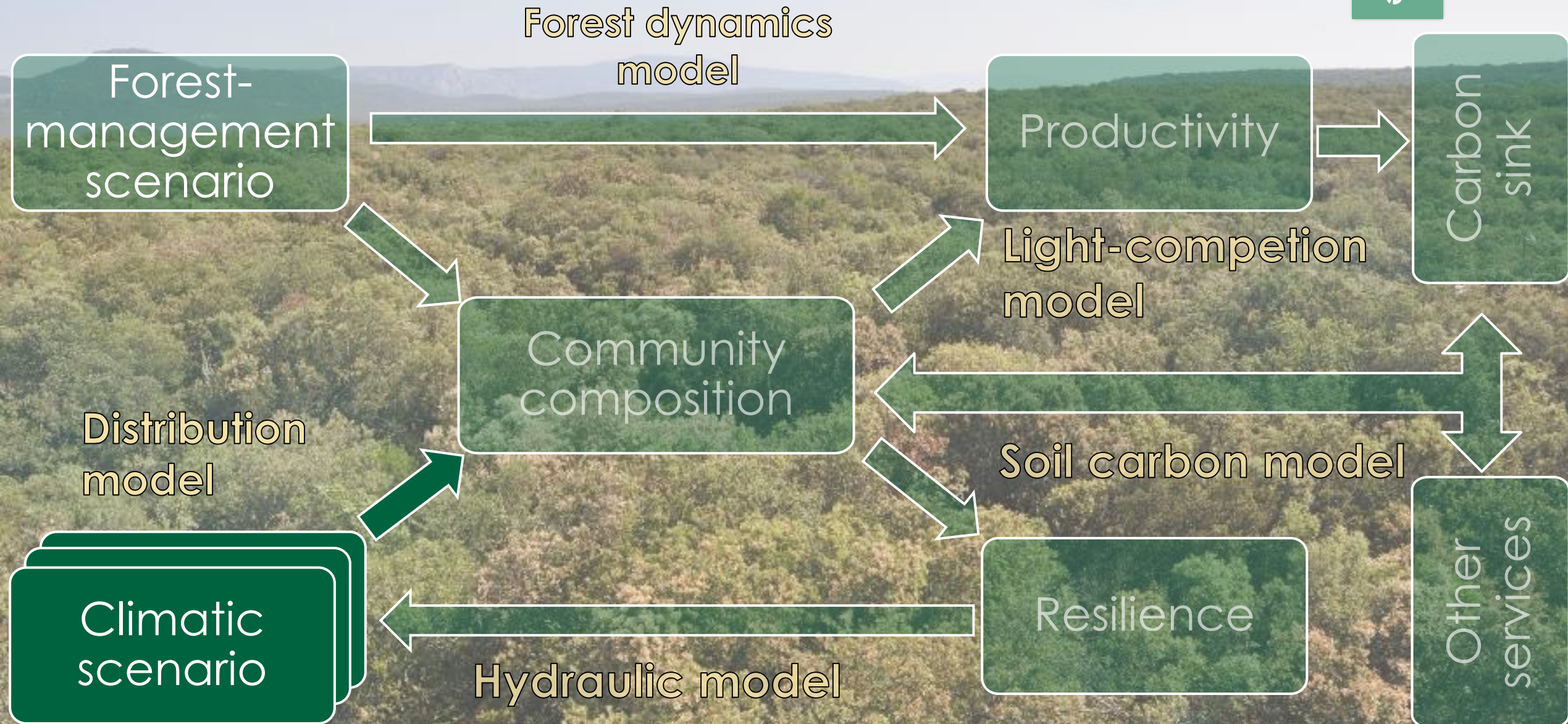


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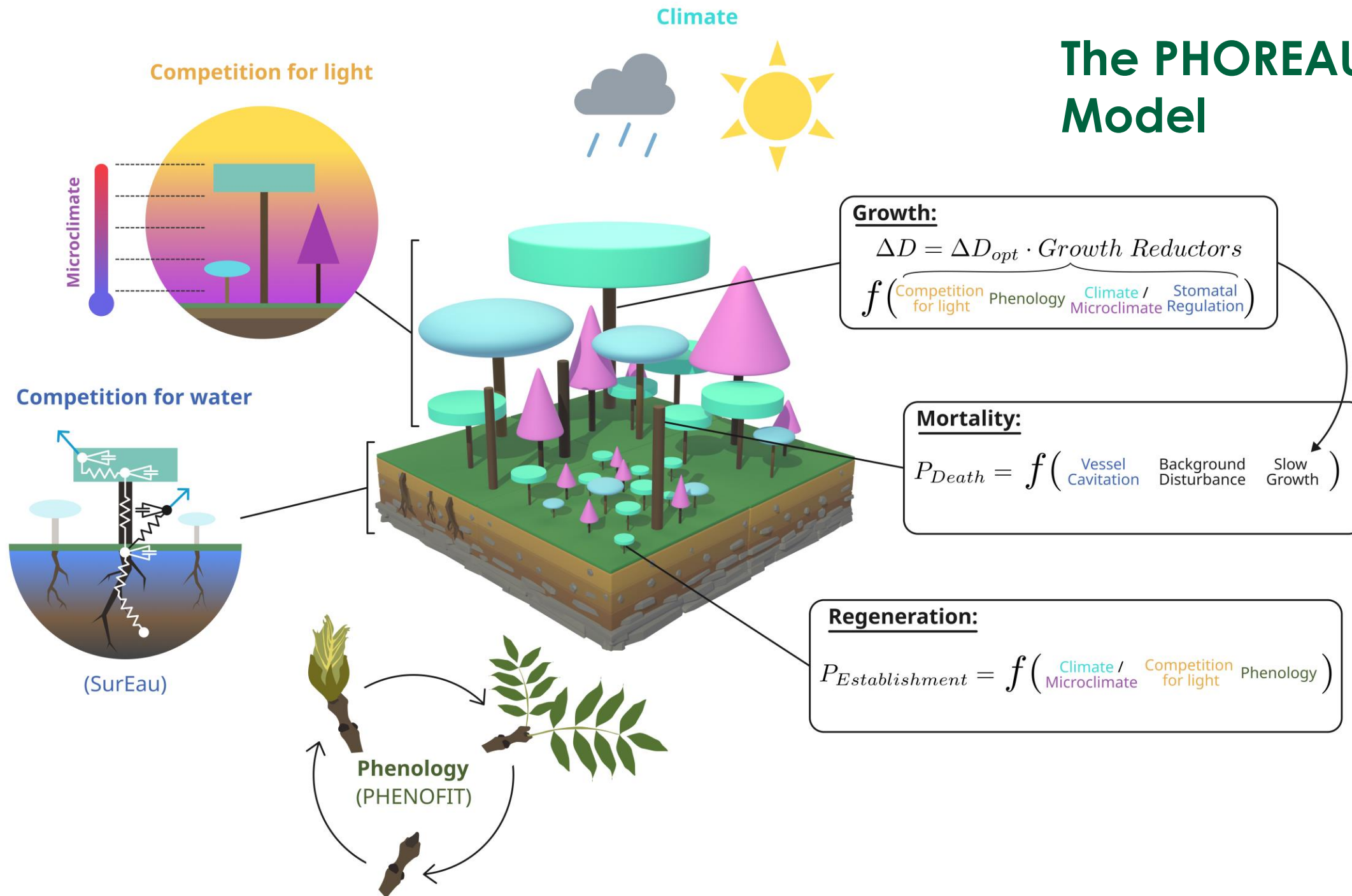


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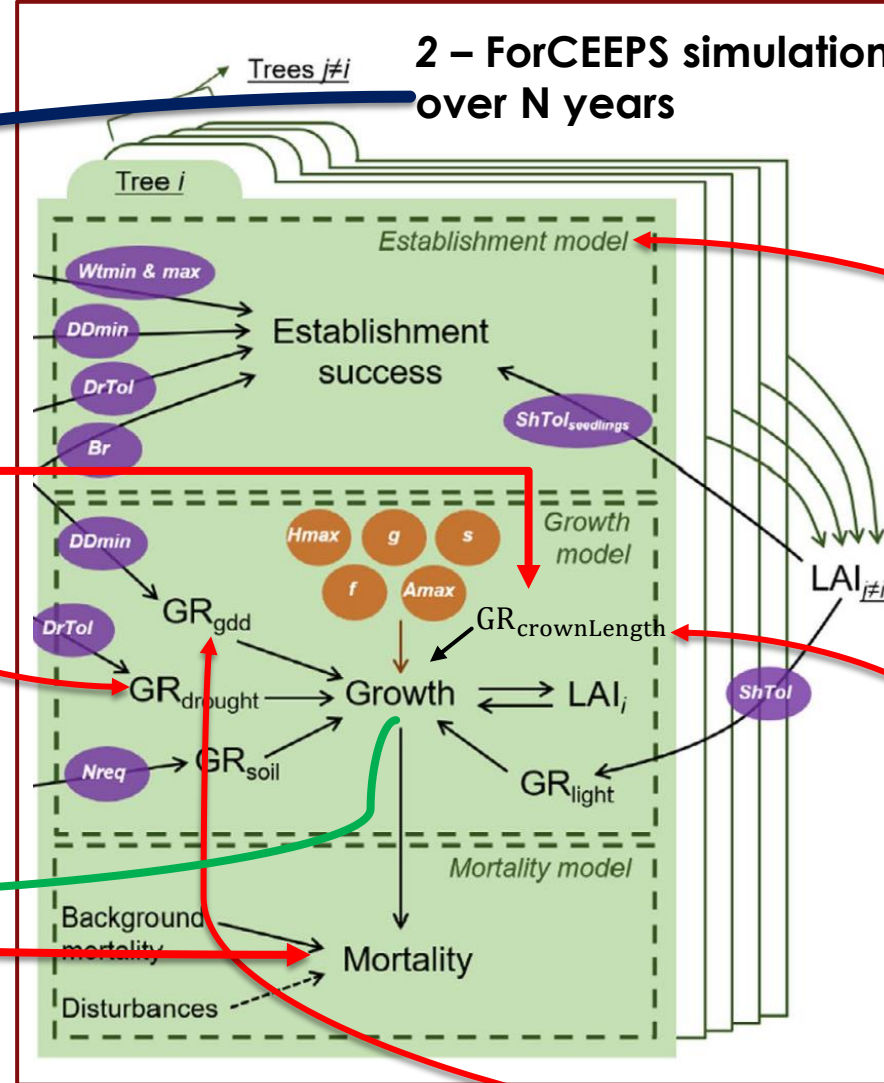
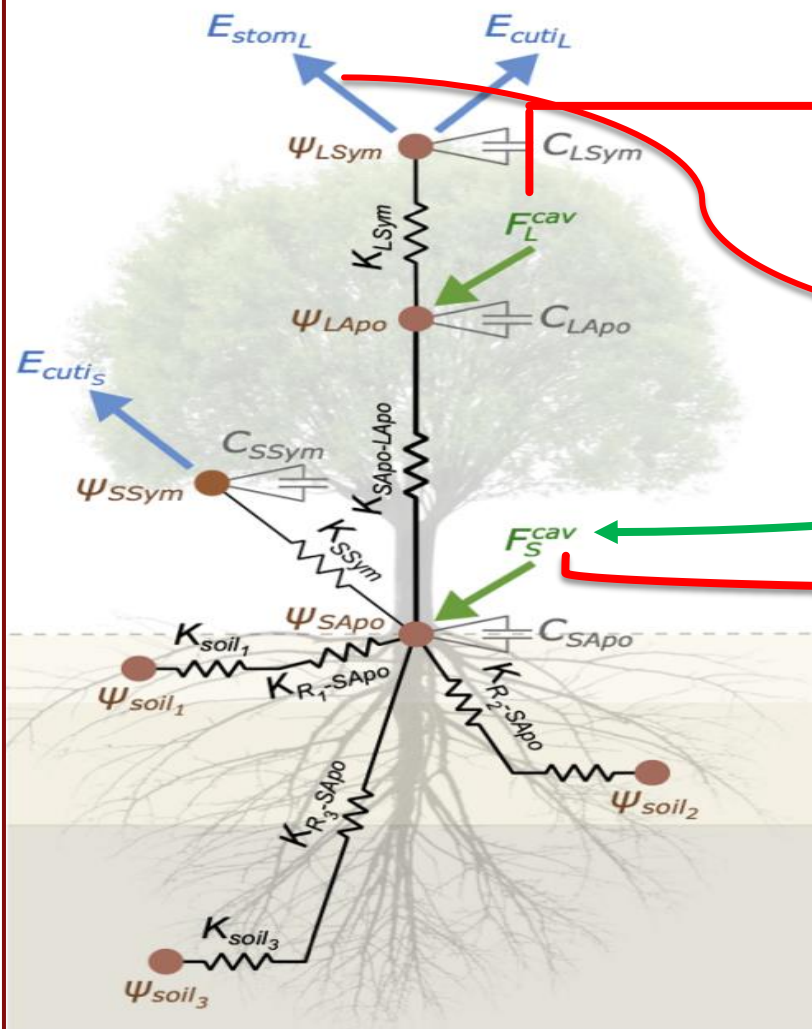


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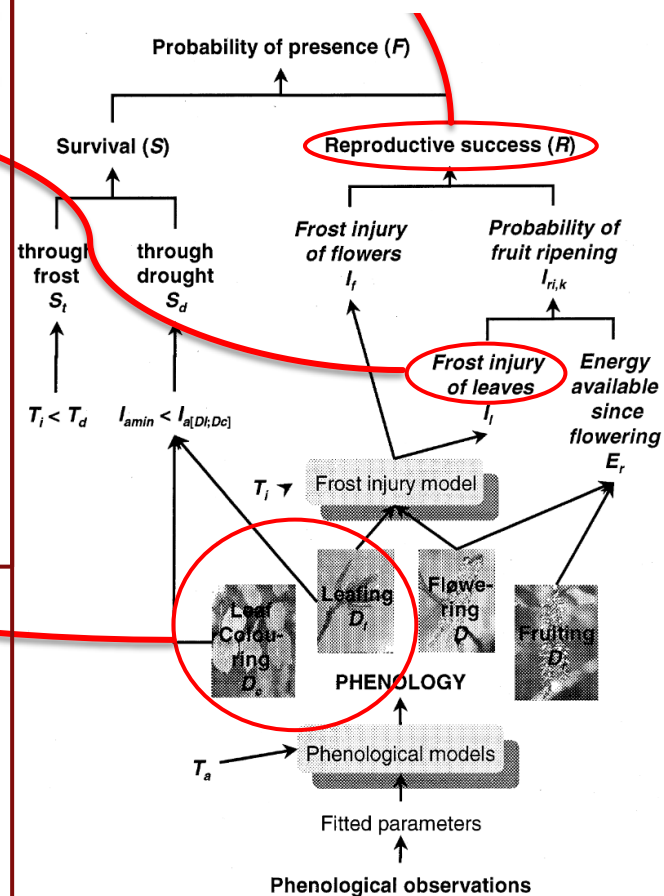
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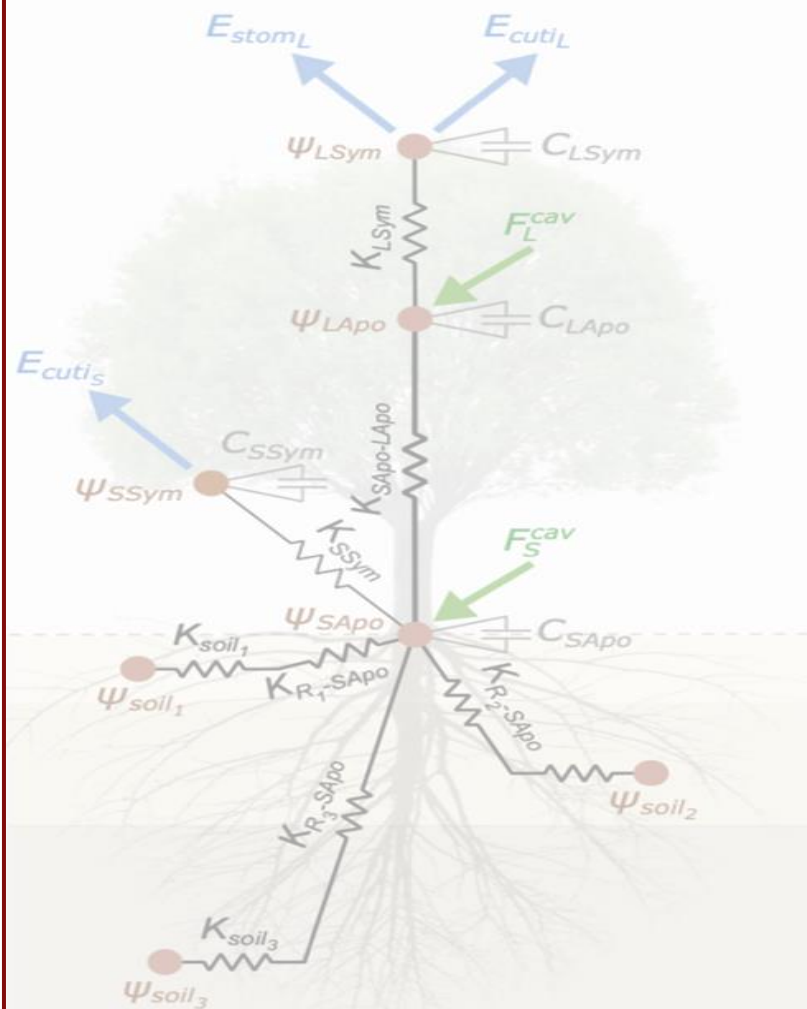
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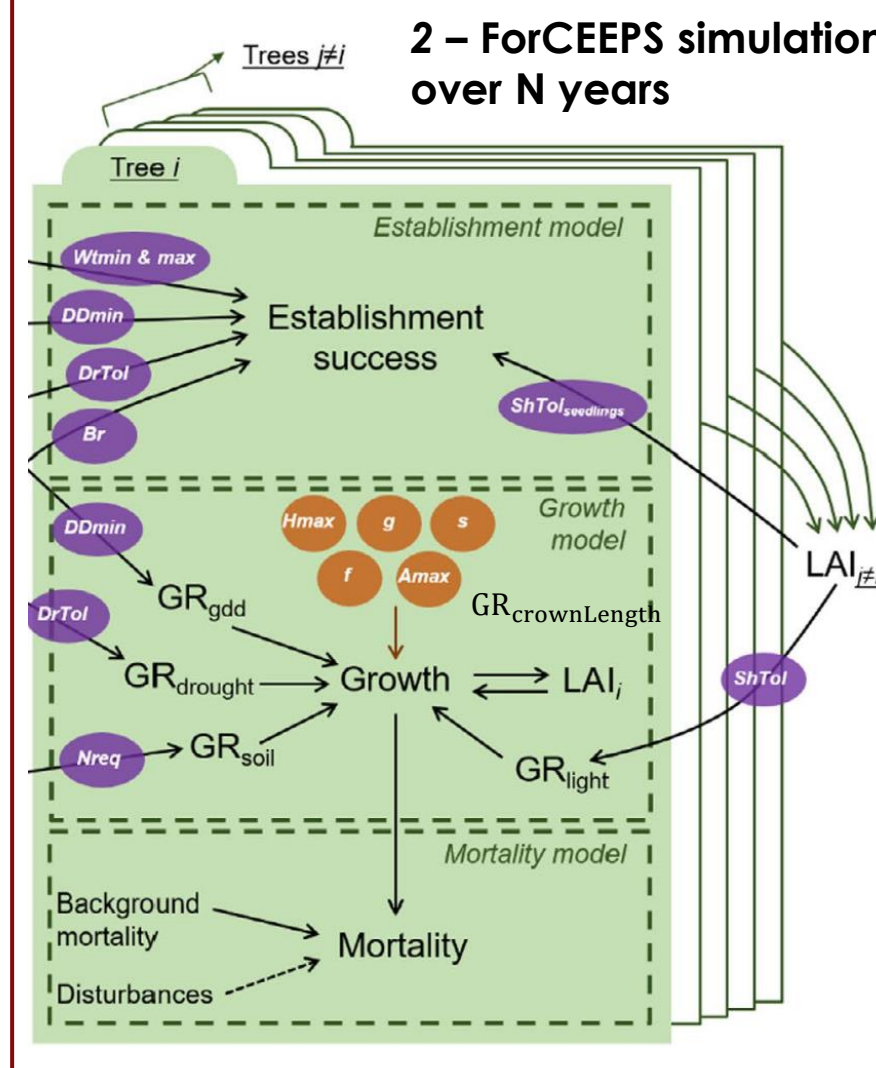
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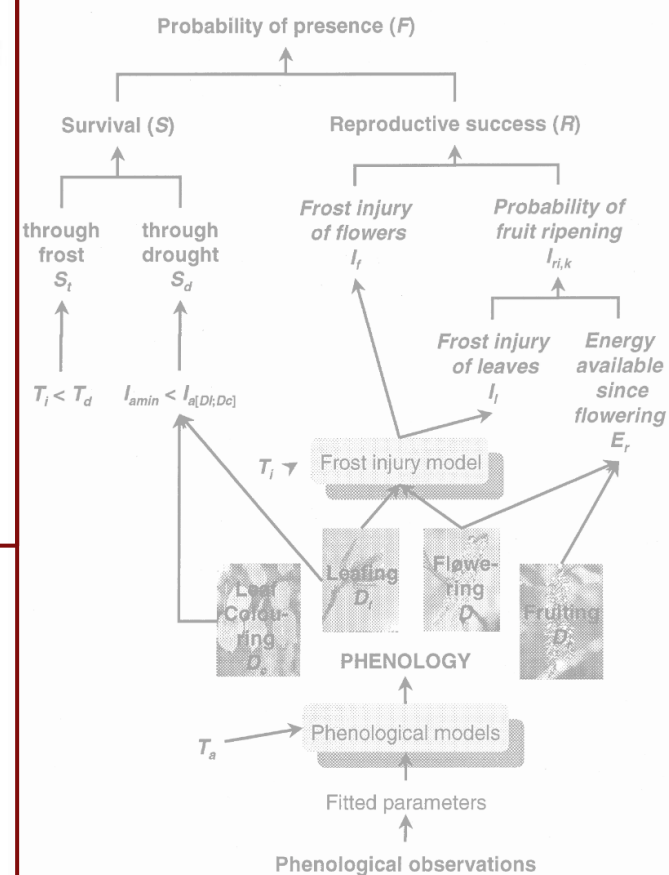


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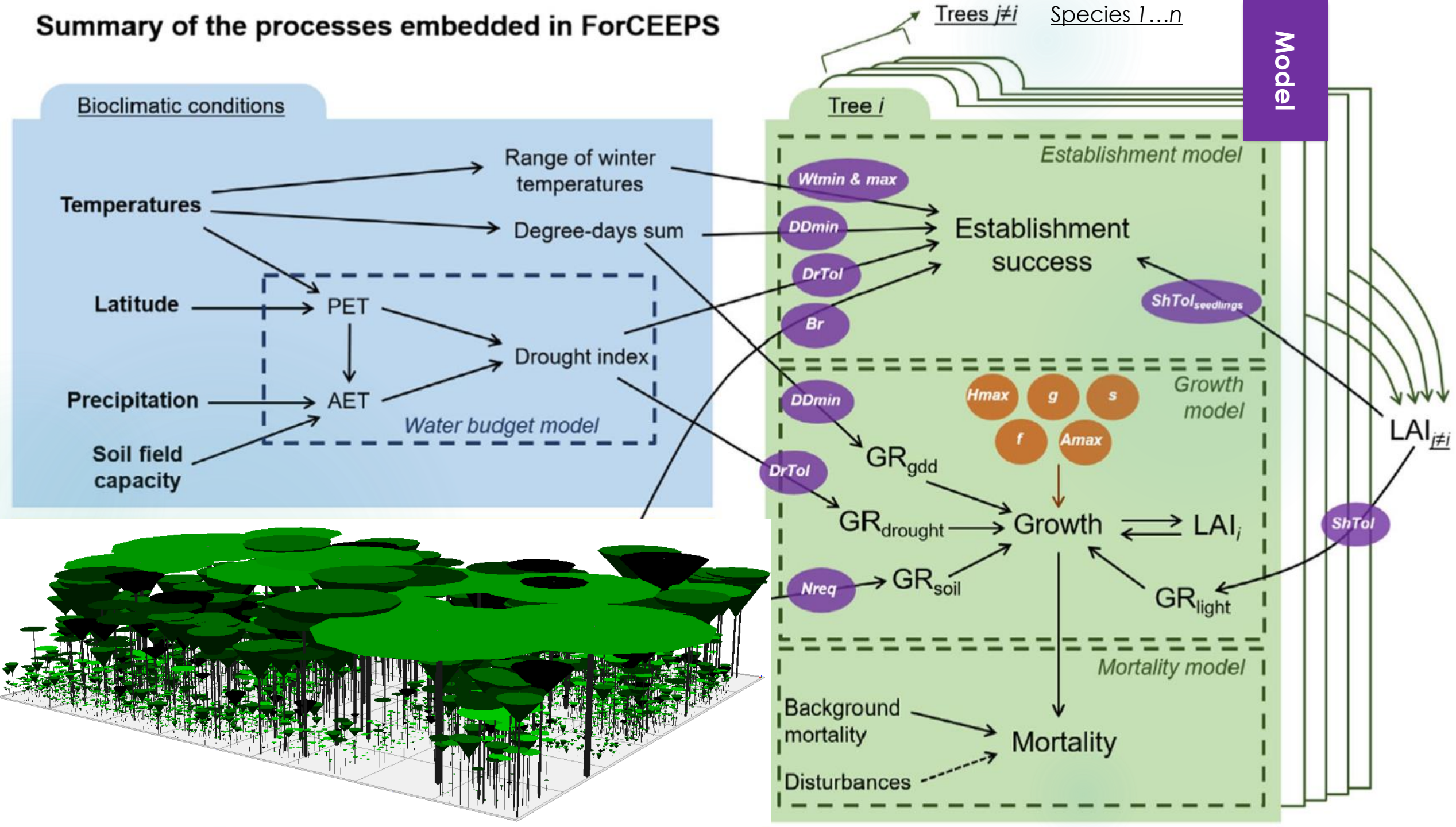


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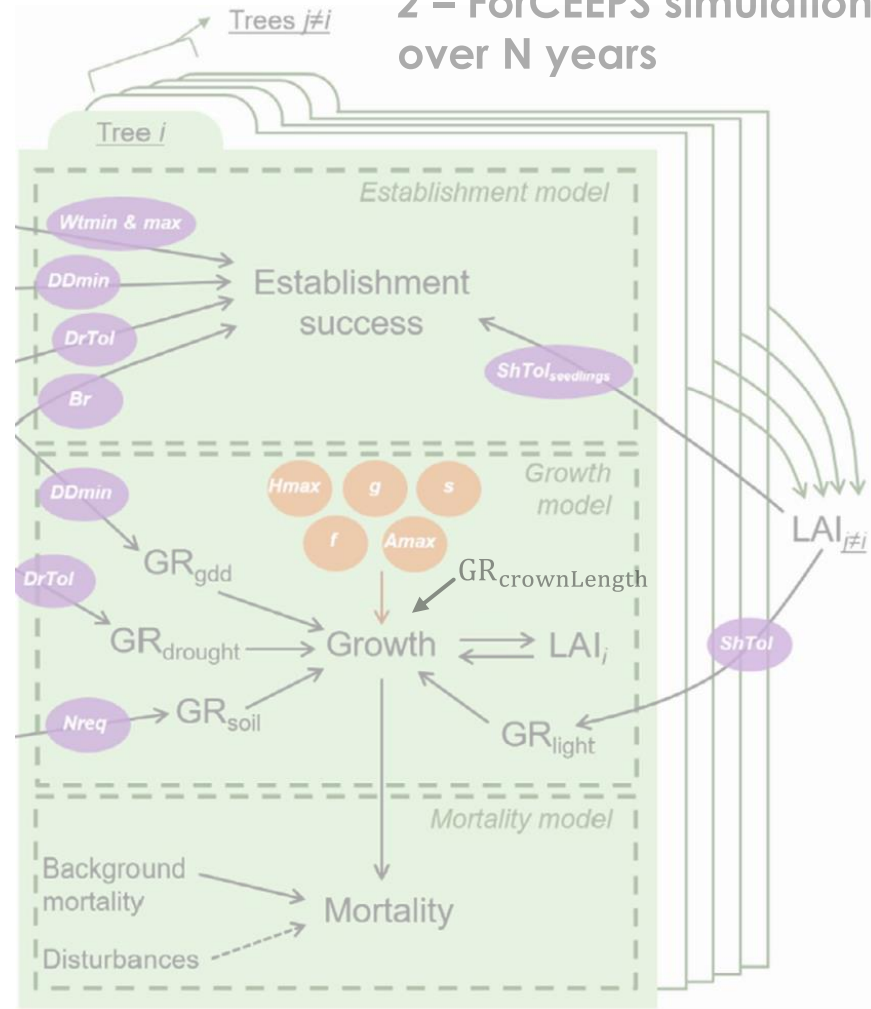
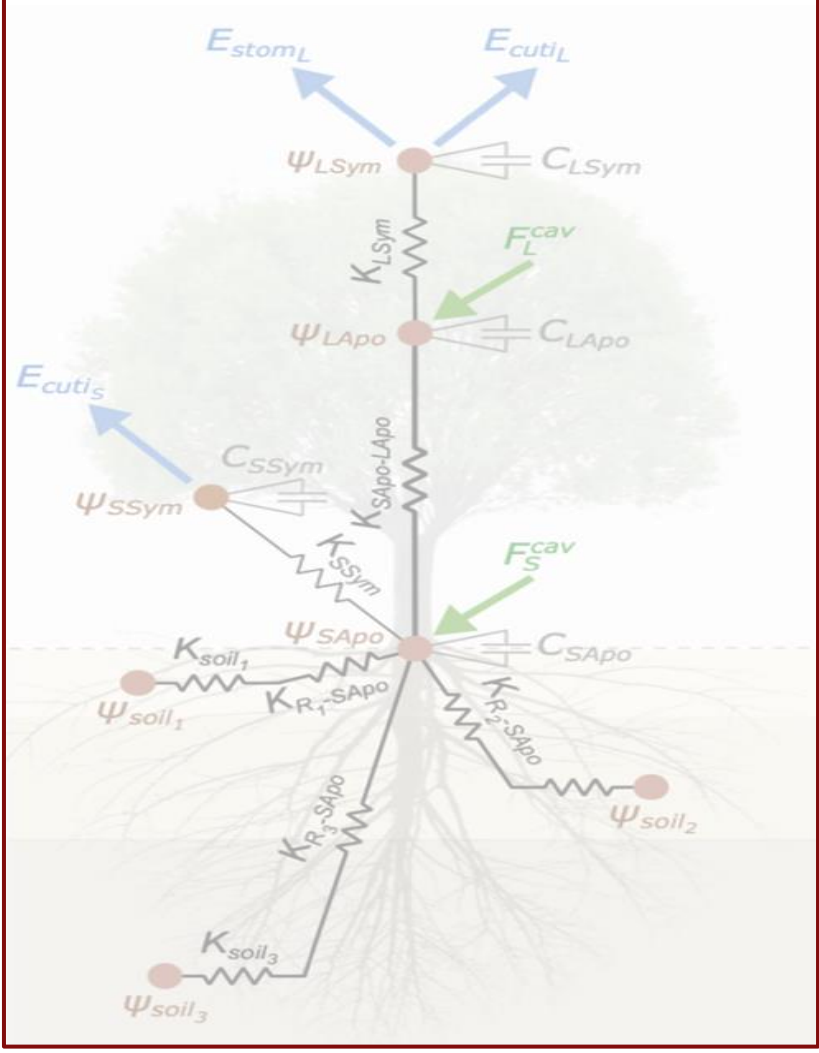
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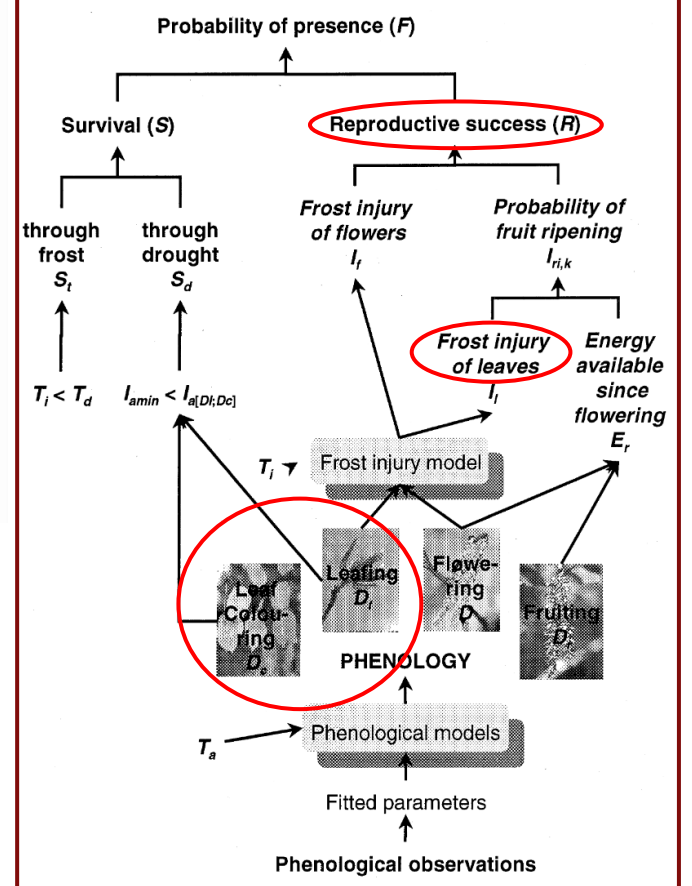
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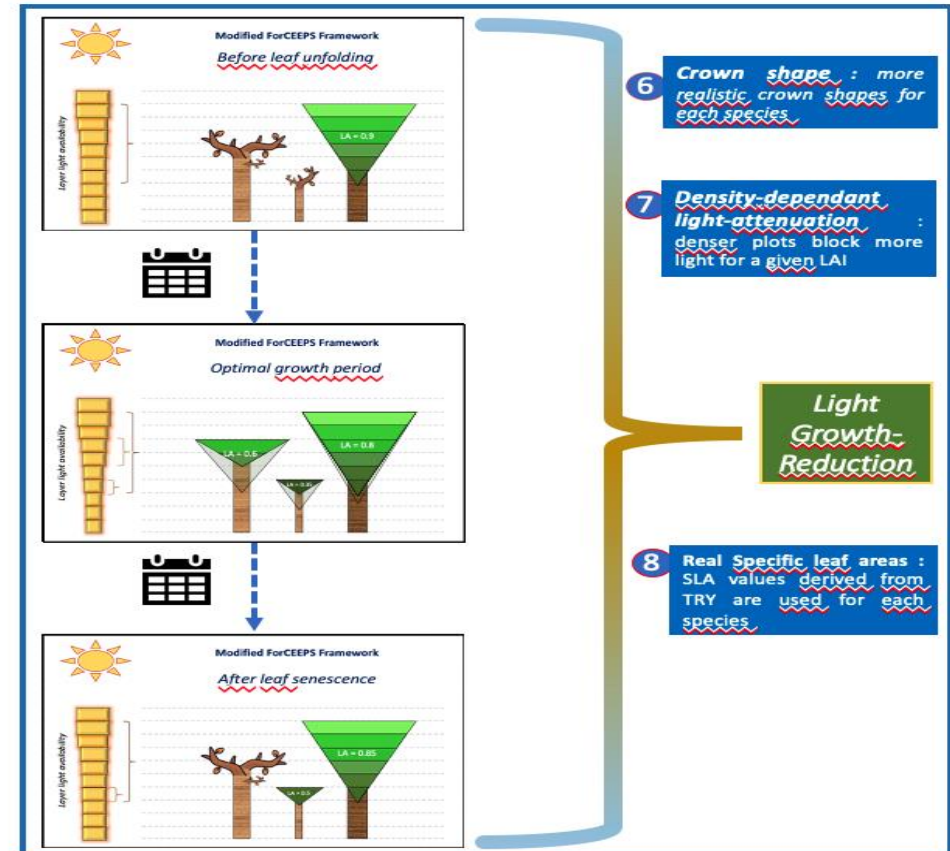
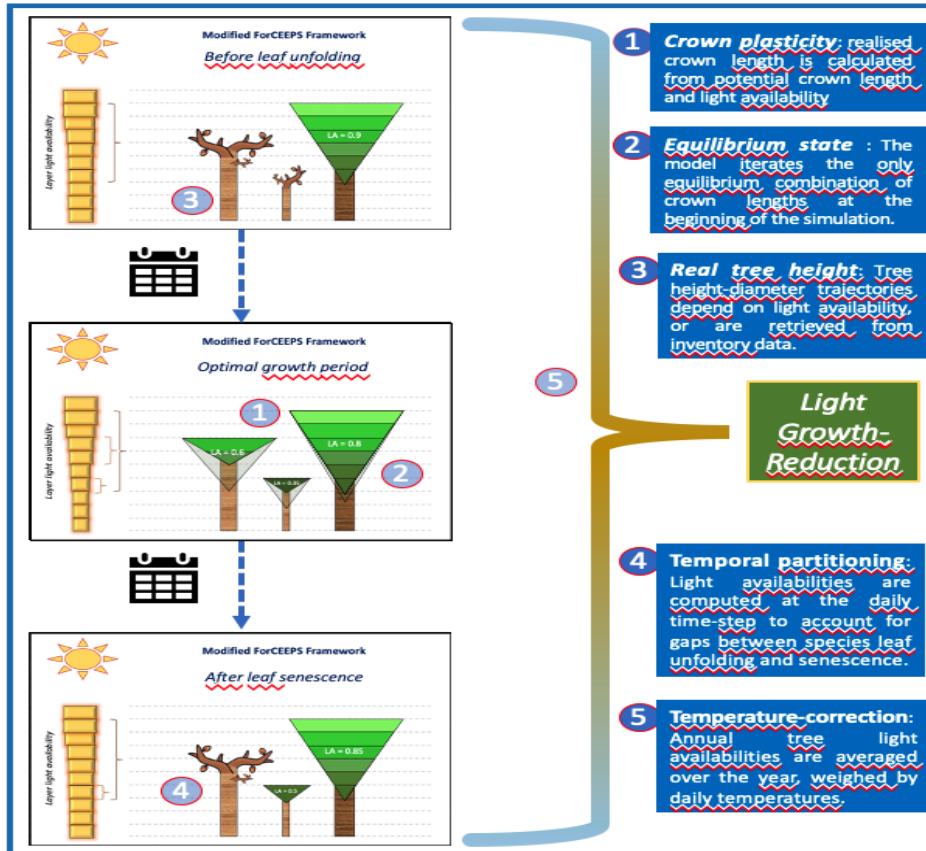
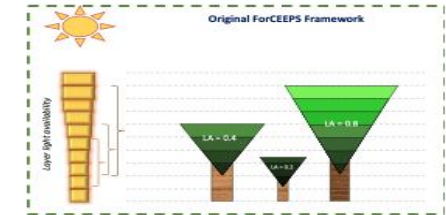
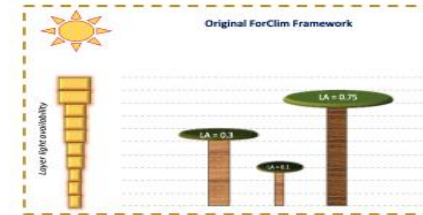
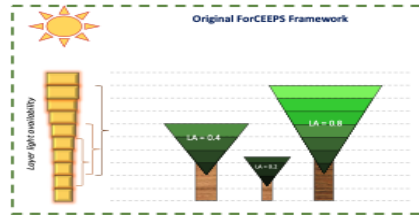
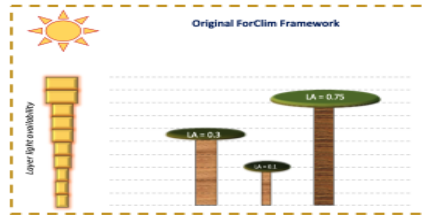
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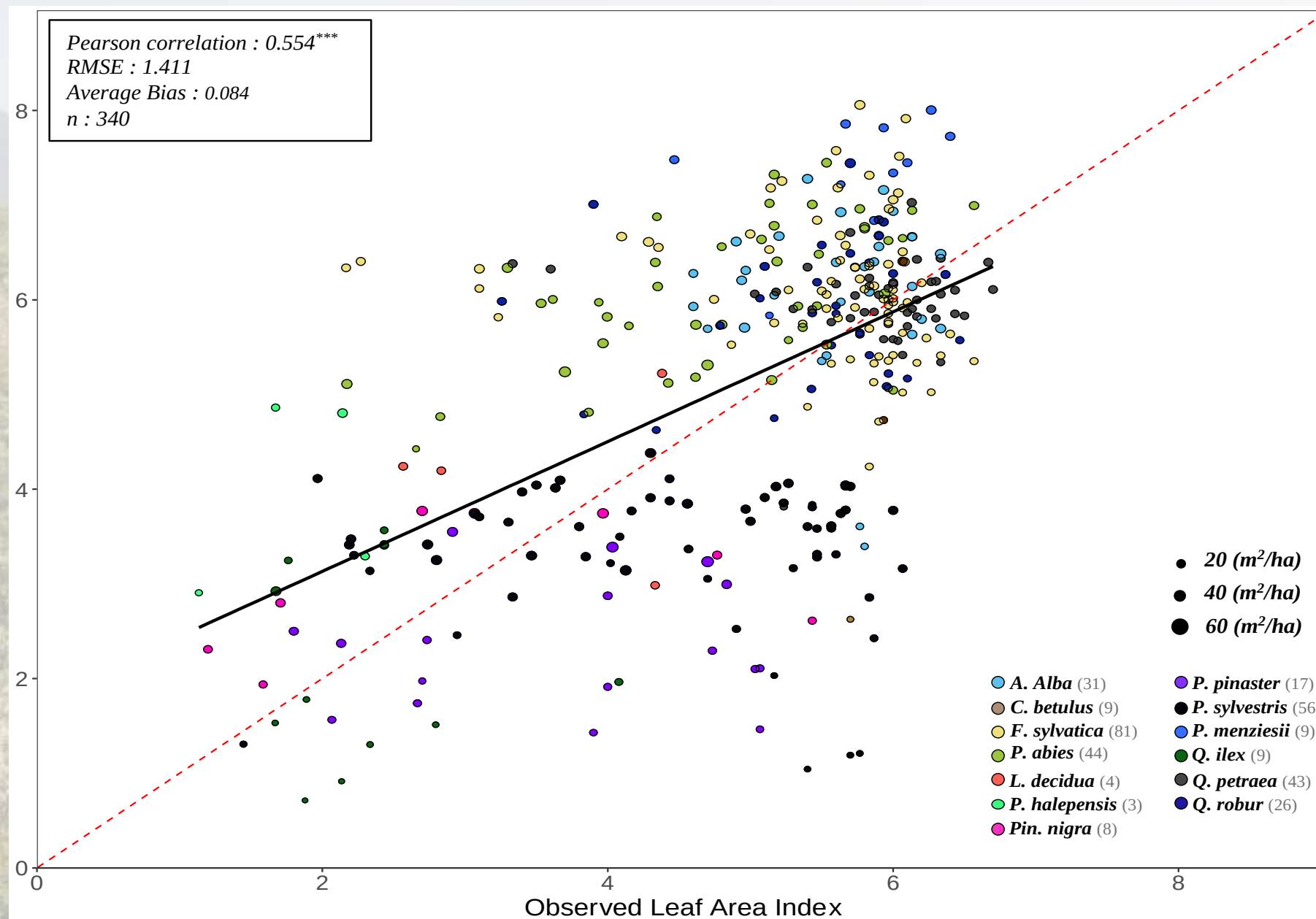
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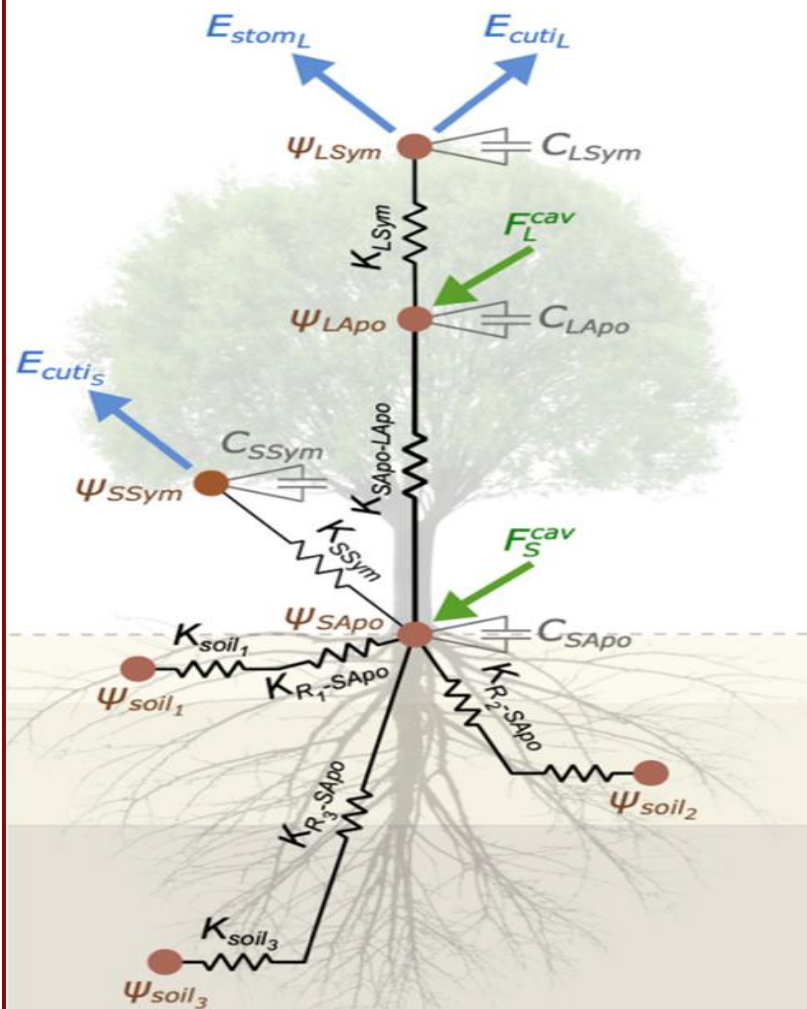
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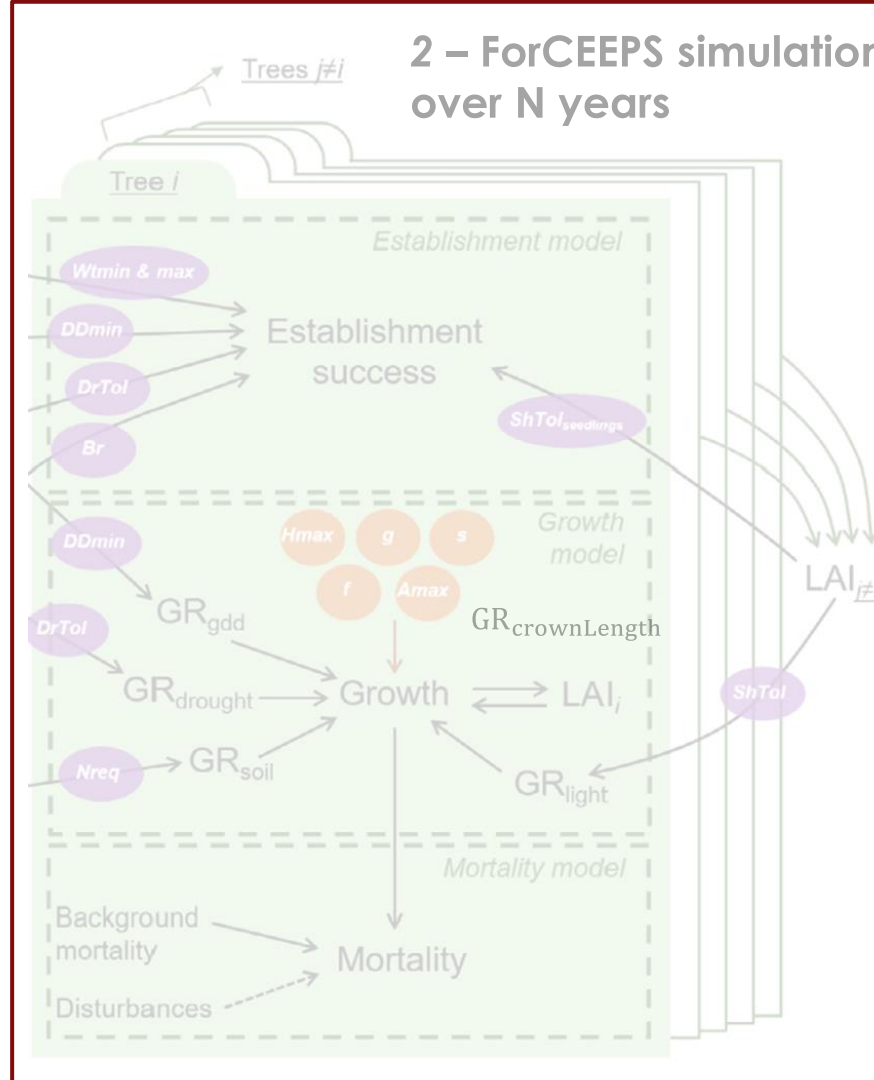
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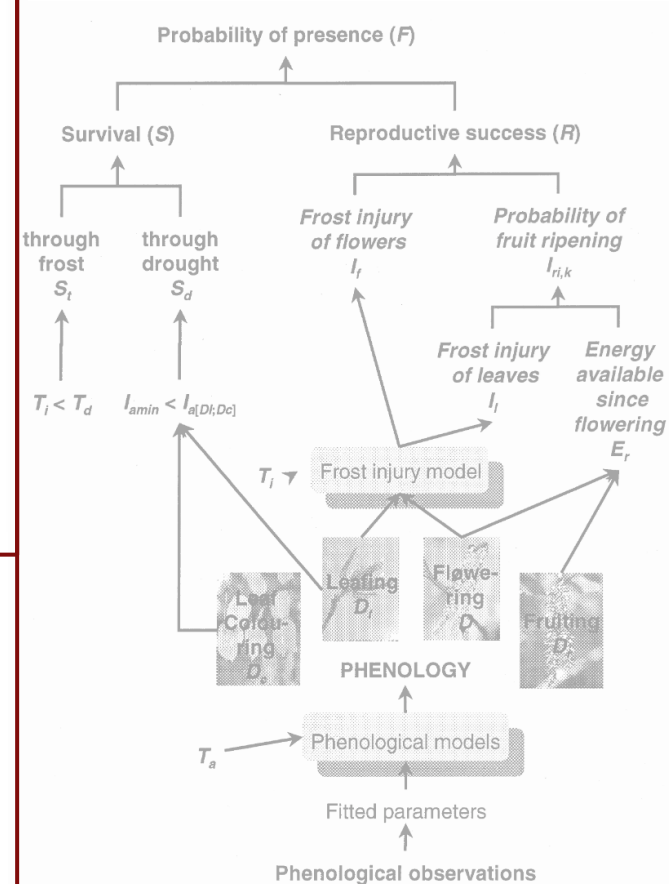


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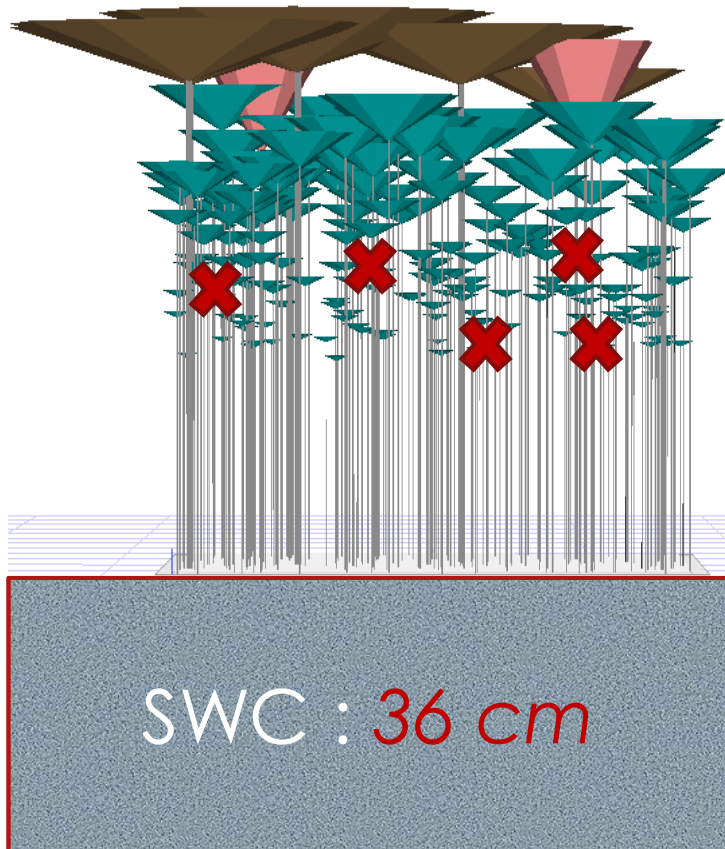
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Coupling with SurEau

ForCEEPS

LAI = 6.5 ; BA = 27 (m²/ha)



Growth feedback

Stomatal aperture
Defoliation

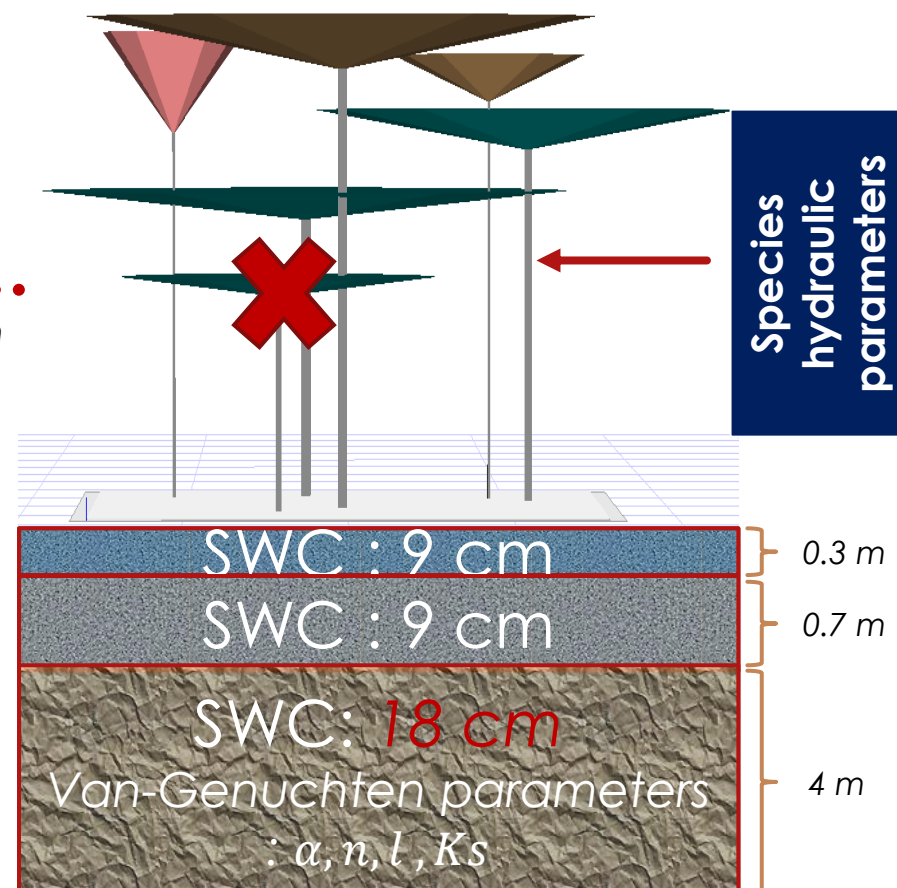
Mortality feedback

Percentage of cavitation

Soil water feedback

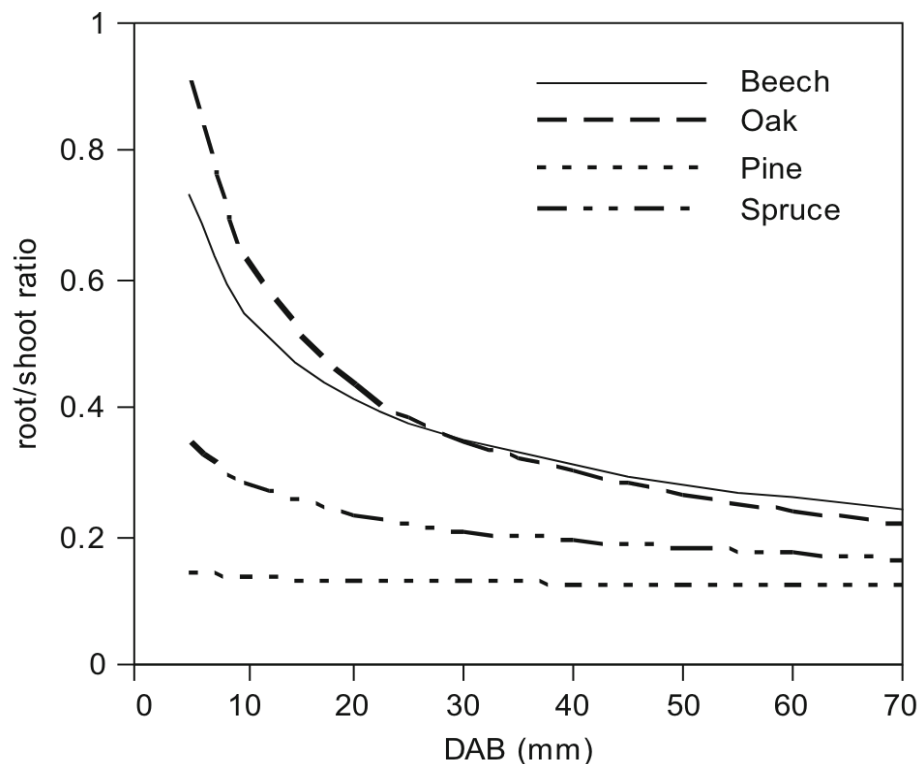
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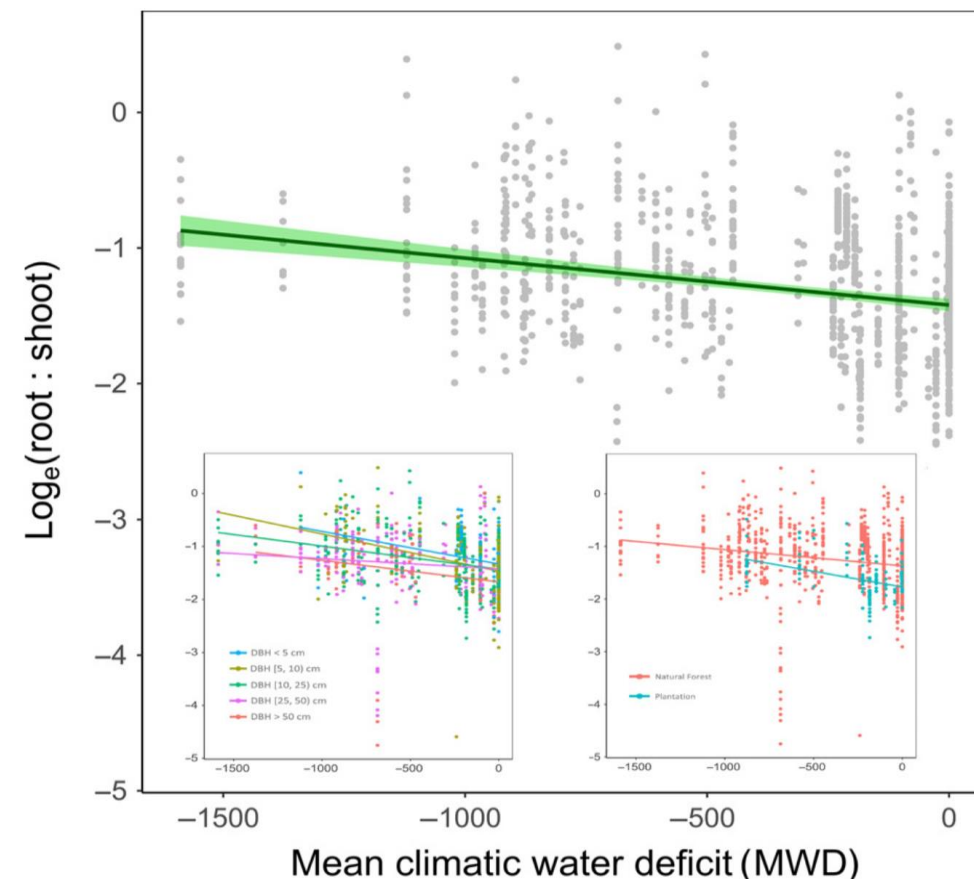


Modelling the root compartment in PHOREAU

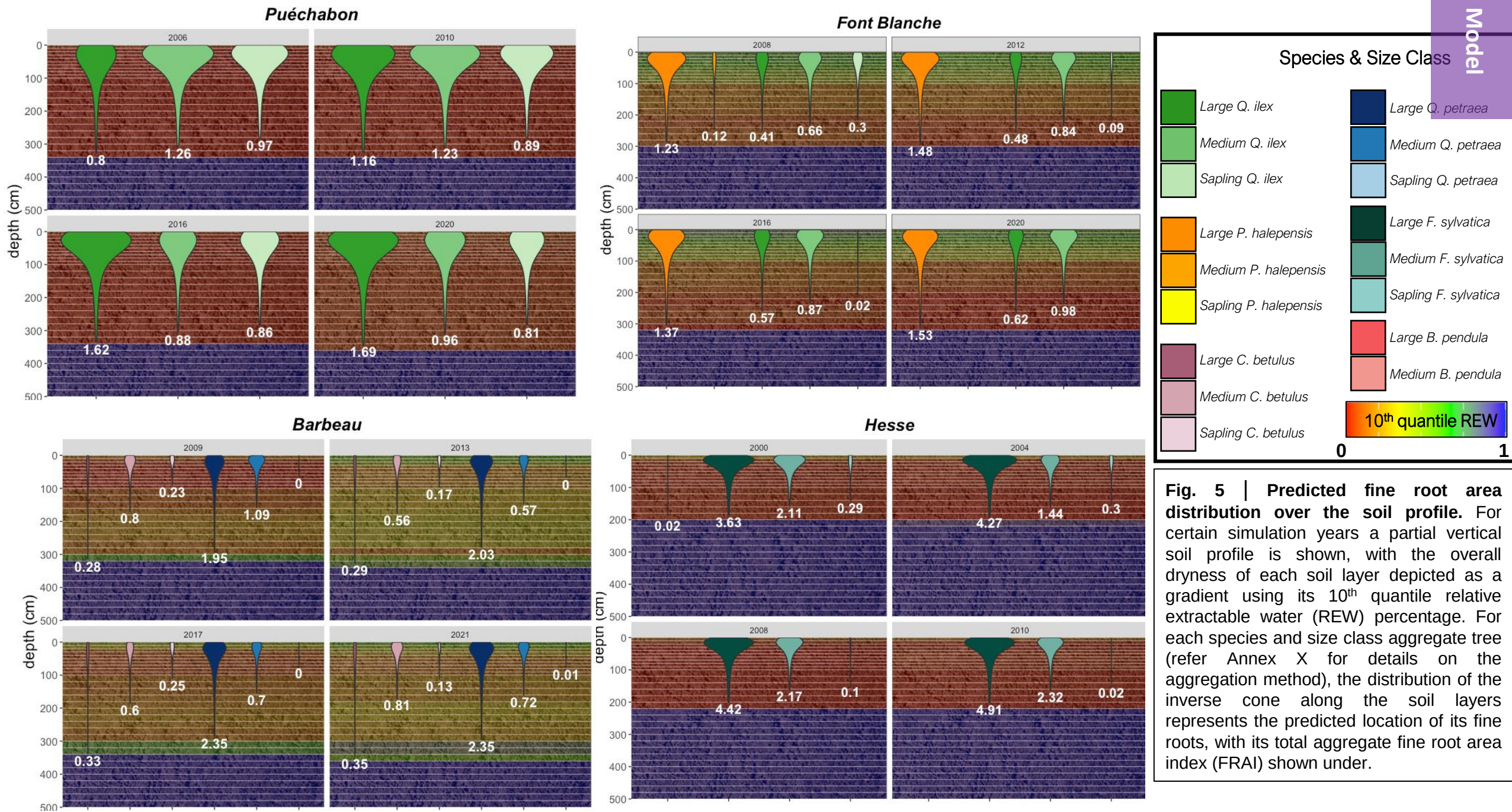
« Variation in individual tree R : S is largely dominated by two effects: **tree size** and **mean water deficit**. » (*Ledo et al. 2017*)



Konôpka et al. 2010



Ledo et al. 2017



Integration of a simplified microclimate model (derived from the work of EVA GRIL)

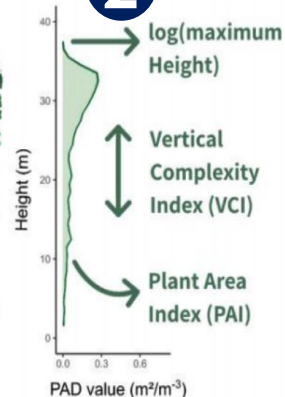
1. State of the ForCEEPS stands
2. Production of structural indices :VCI, LAI, Hmax
3. Computing the microclimate slope
4. Predicting soil microclimate temperatures
5. Interpolation over the vertical profile

From three LiDAR metrics describing **forest structure** :

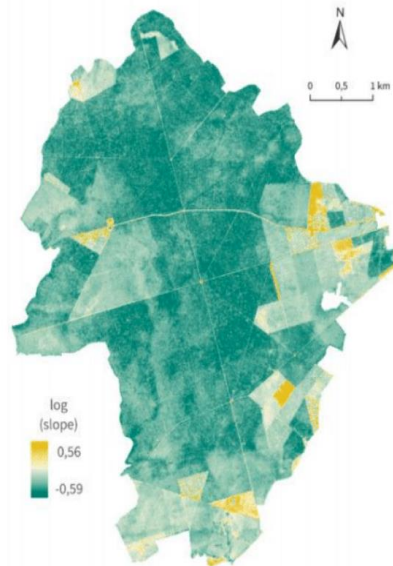
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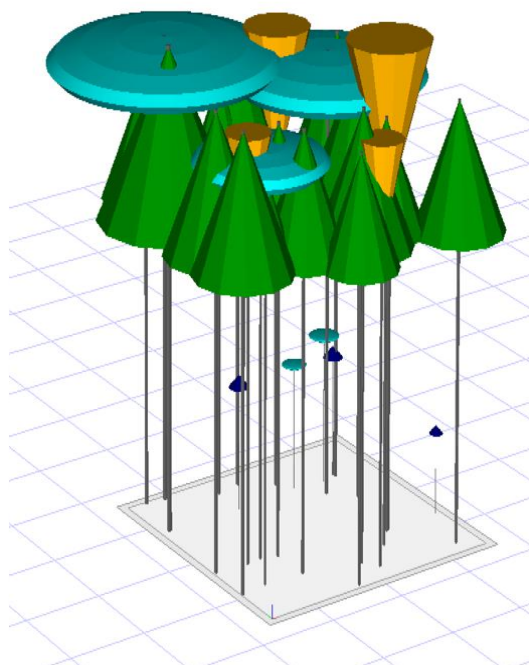


linear model
 $R^2 = 91\%$



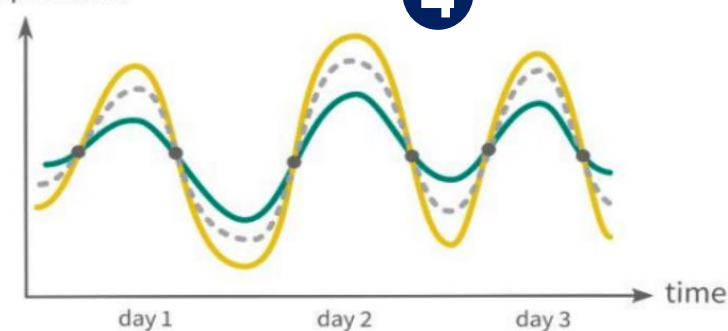
... To a map of the **buffering** or **amplifying** effect of forest cover on temperature!

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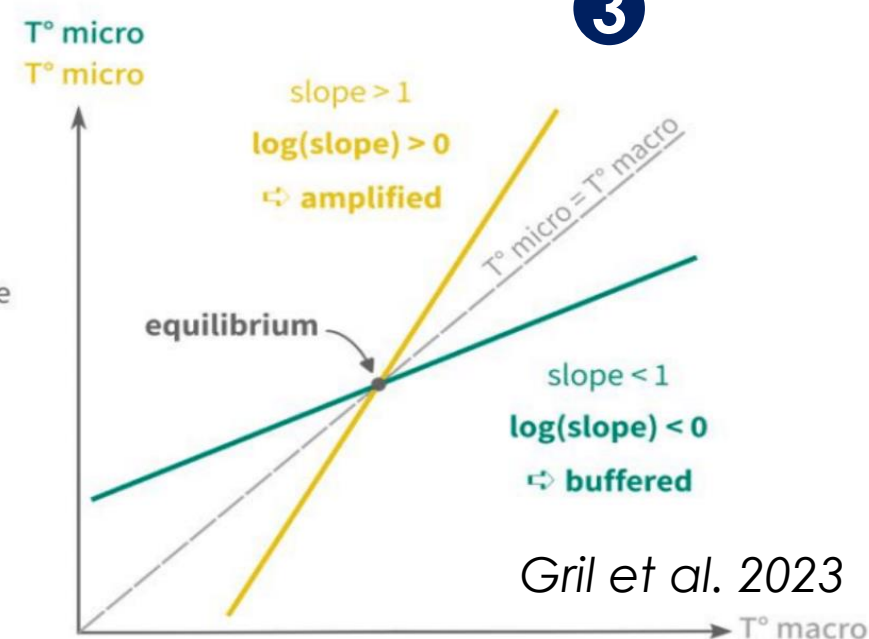


Temperature

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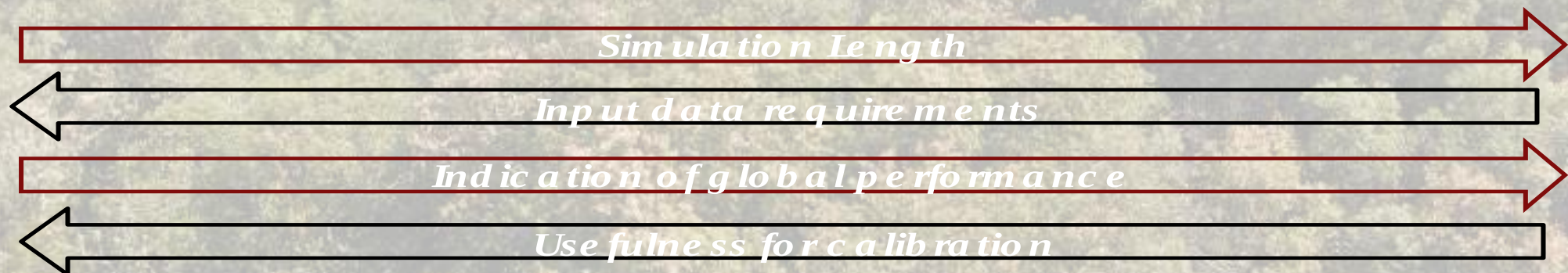
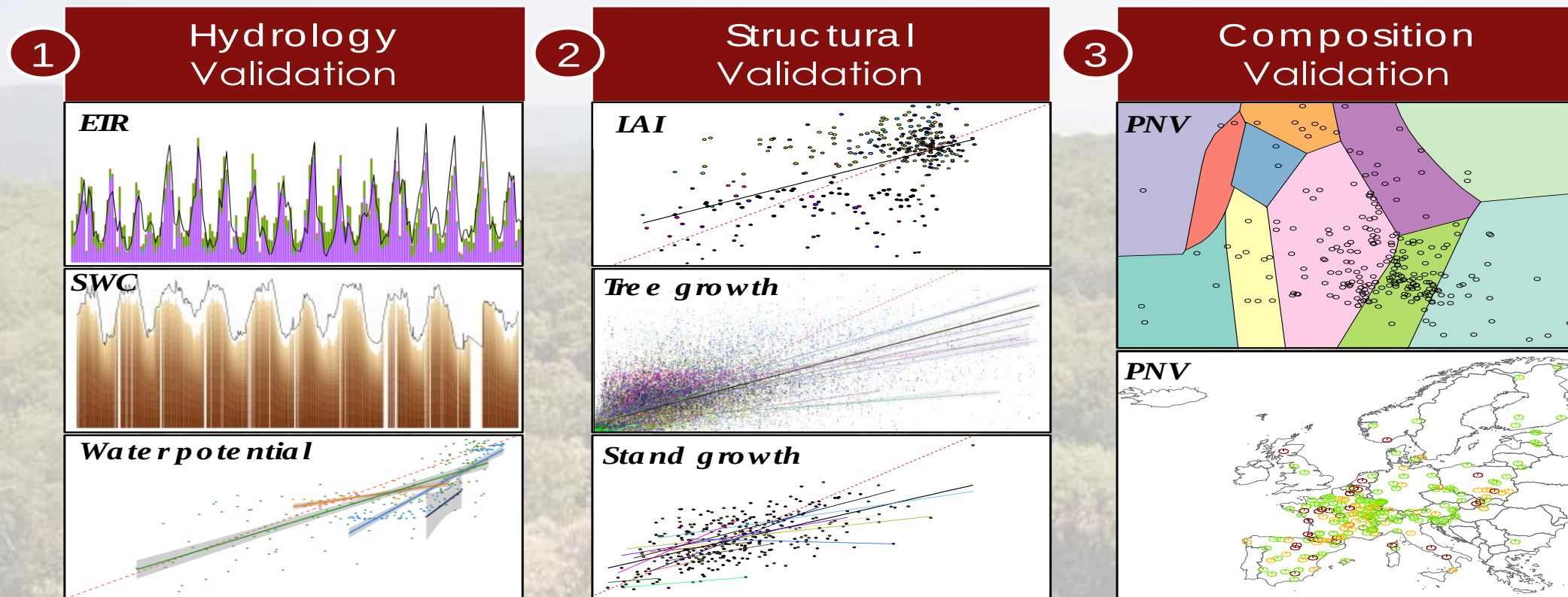


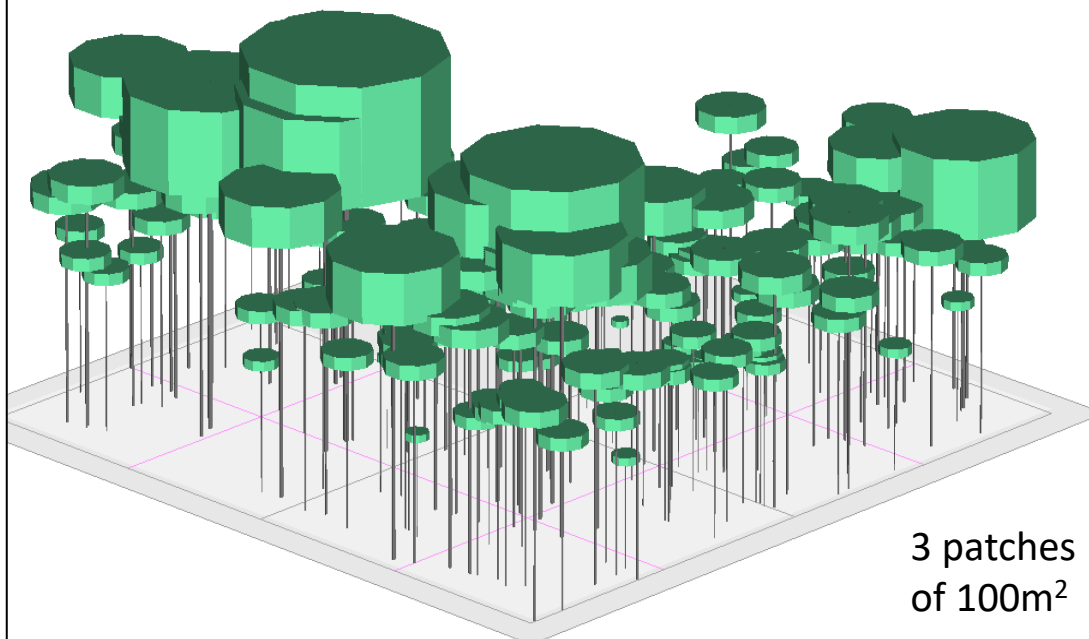
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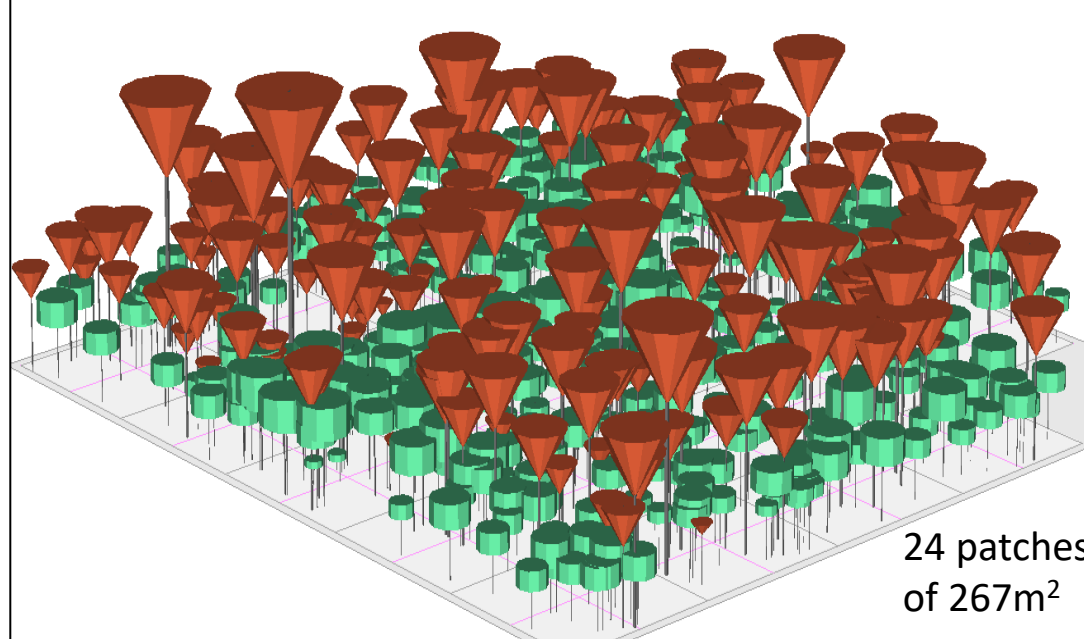
Gril et al. 2023

Proposed framework for PHOREAU validation

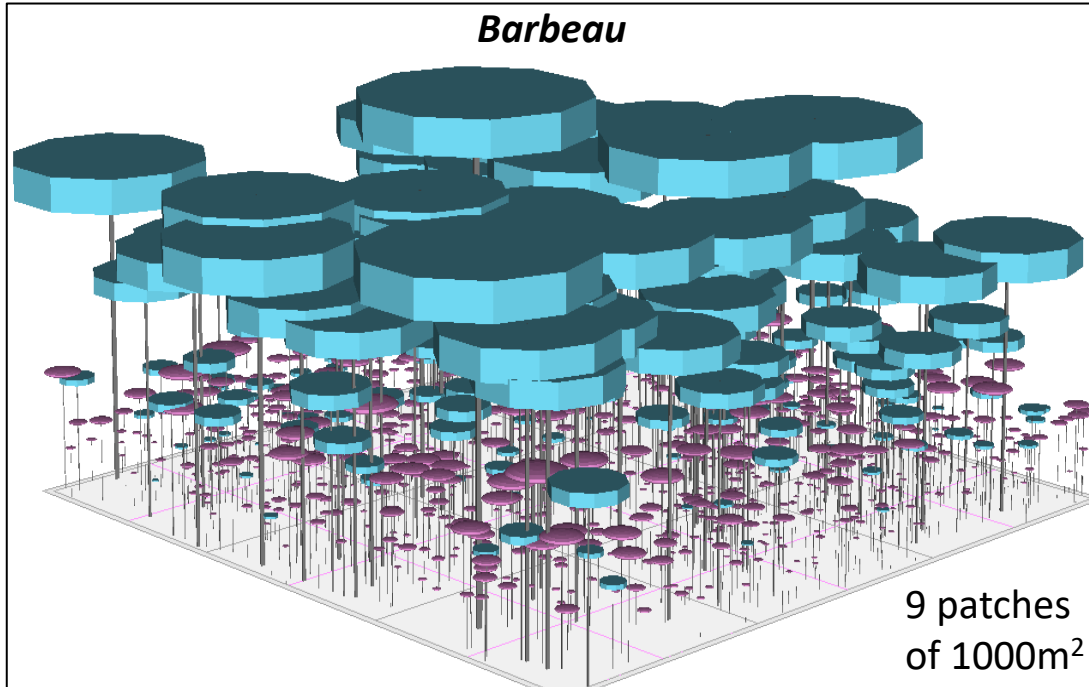


Puéchabon

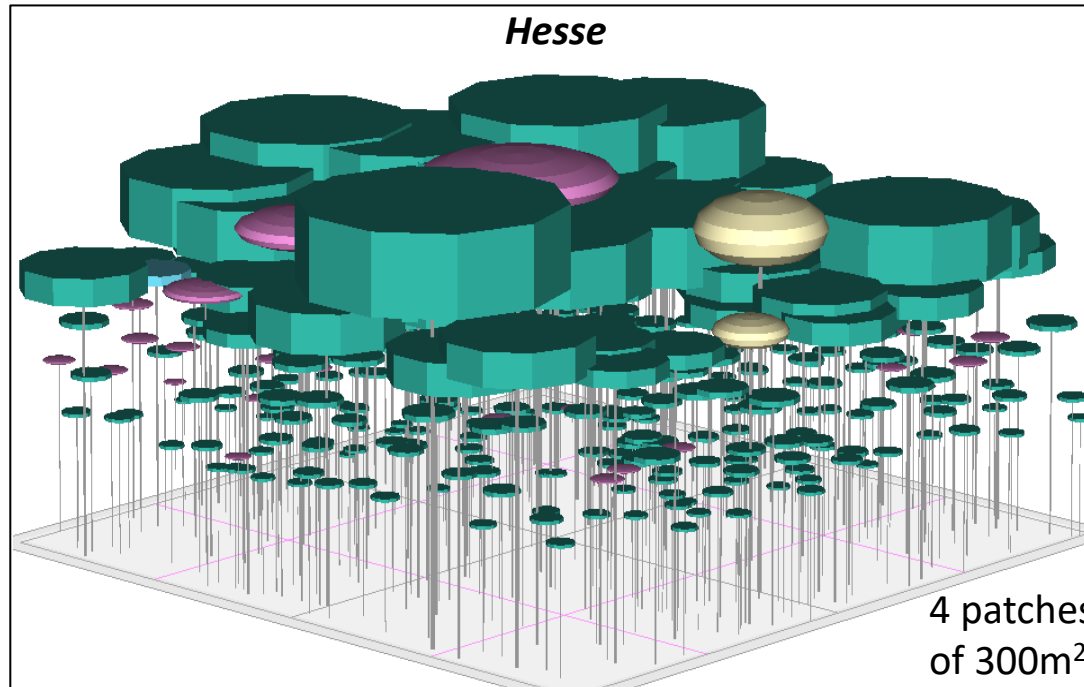
3 patches
of 100m²

Font Blanche

24 patches
of 267m²

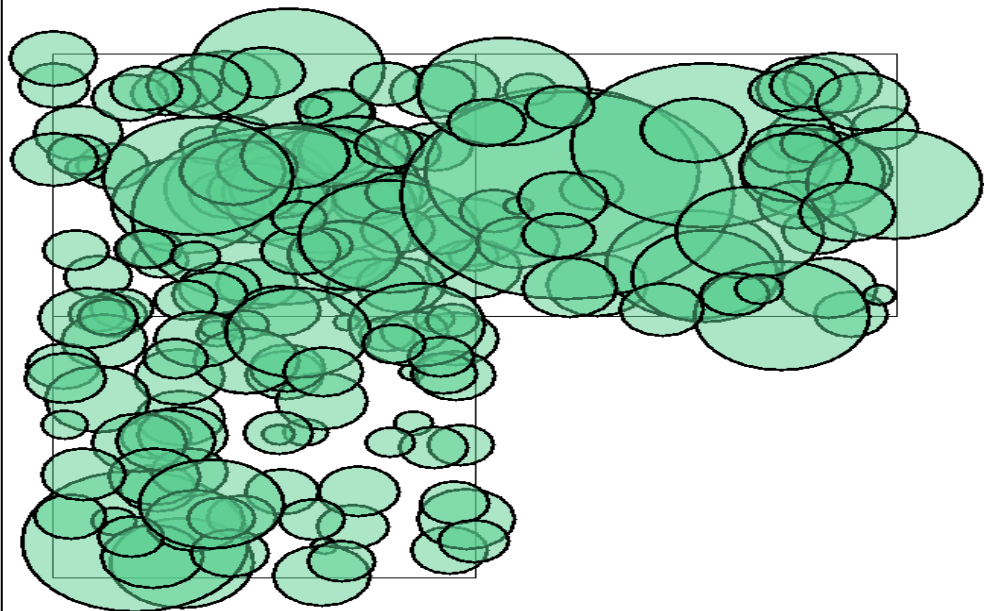
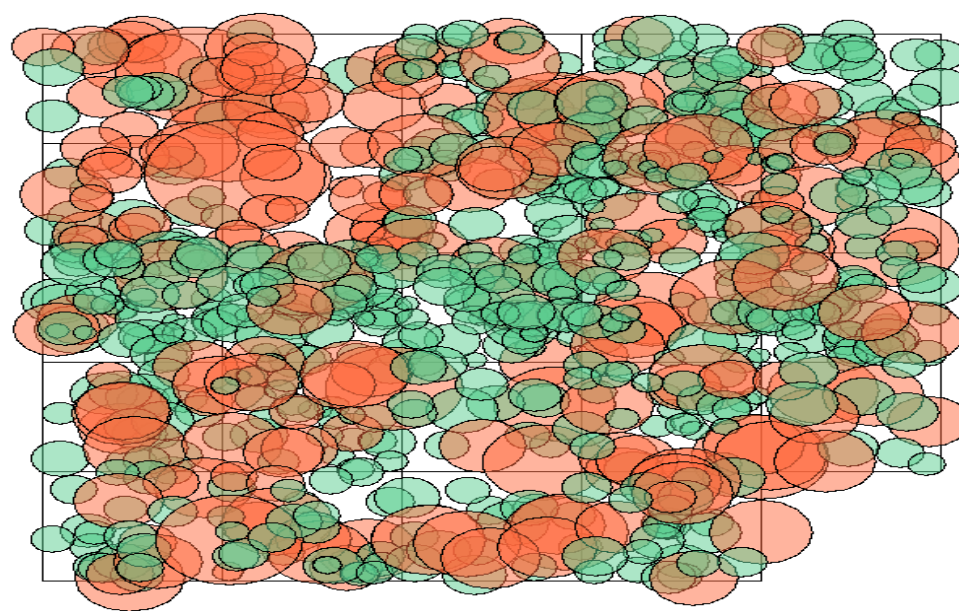
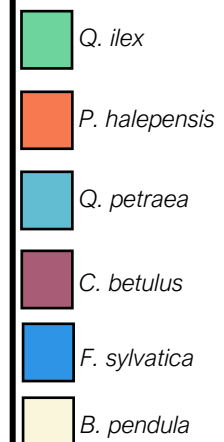
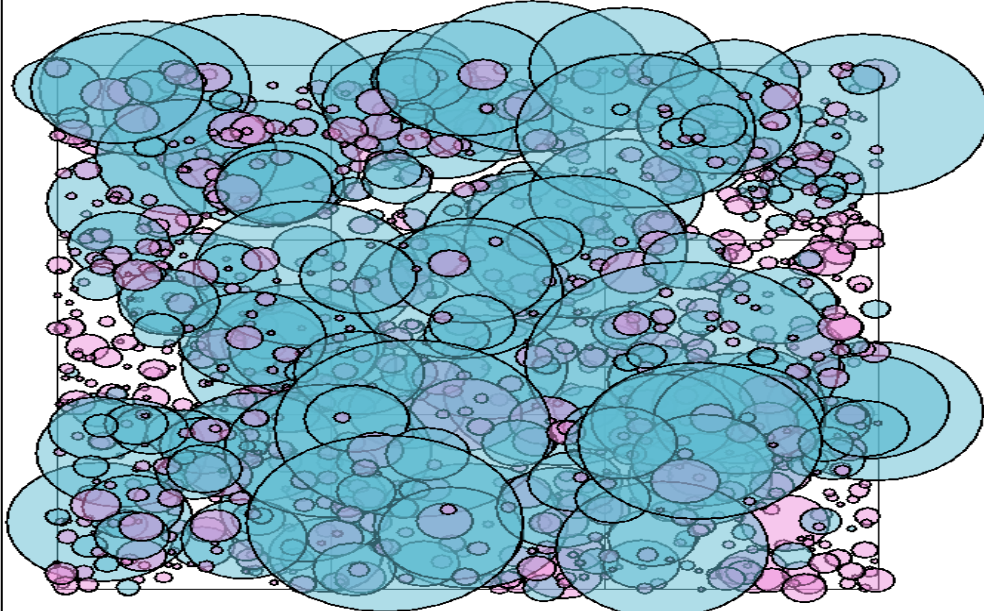
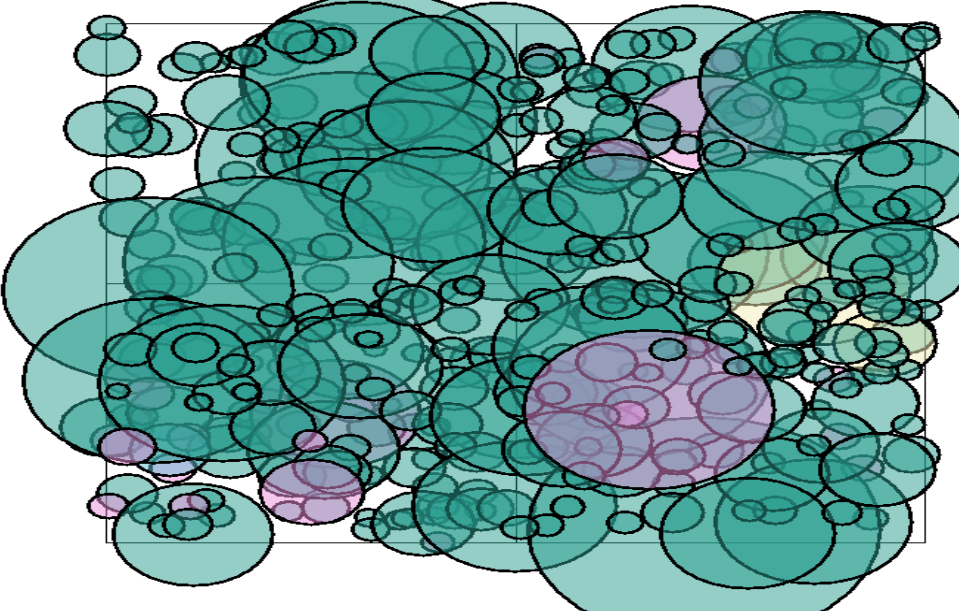
Barbeau

9 patches
of 1000m²

Hesse

4 patches
of 300m²

Species*Q. ilex**P. halepensis**Q. petraea**C. betulus**F. sylvatica**B. pendula*

Puéchabon**Font Blanche****Species****Barbeau****Hesse**

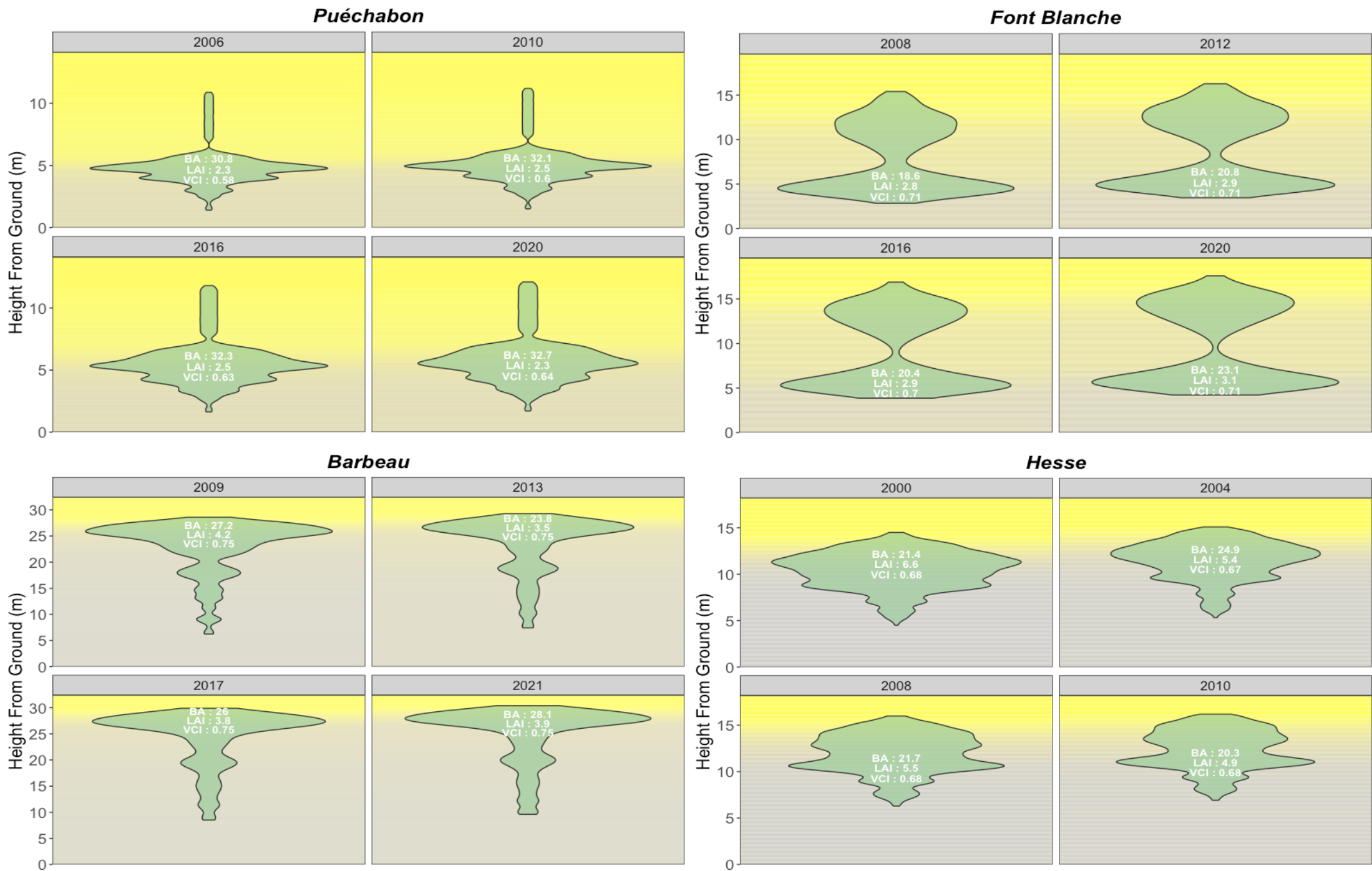


Fig. 1 | Predicted distribution of stand leaf area and light availability. This figure illustrates the vertical gradient of predicted light availability indices for specific simulation years. The light availability is presented over the aboveground profile, divided into 0.1 m layers. In addition, the area of each shape in the layers represents the predicted aggregate leaf area. The figure also includes global annual stand parameters. For details on the calculation of the Vertical Complexity Index (VCI), please refer to Annex X.

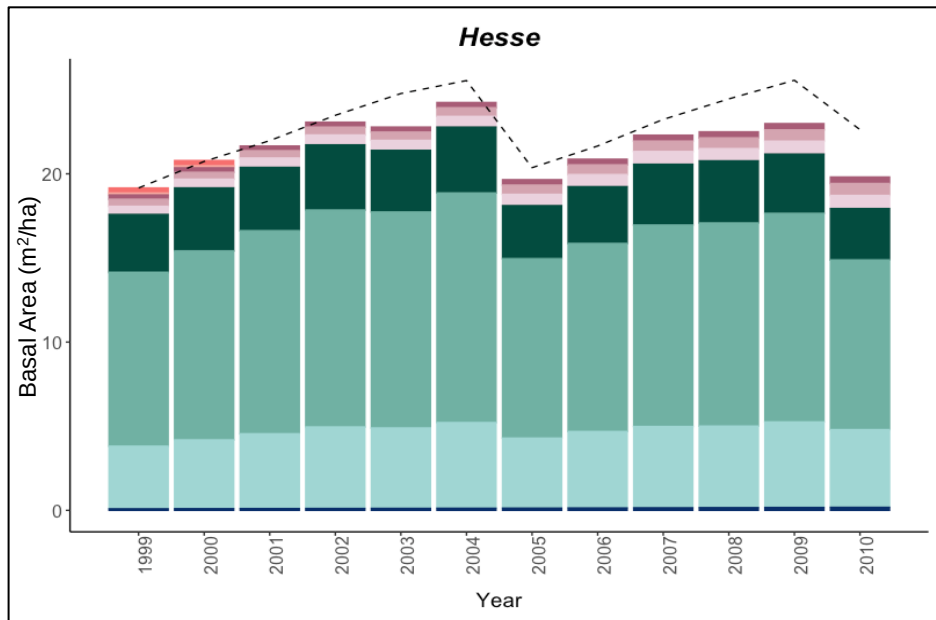
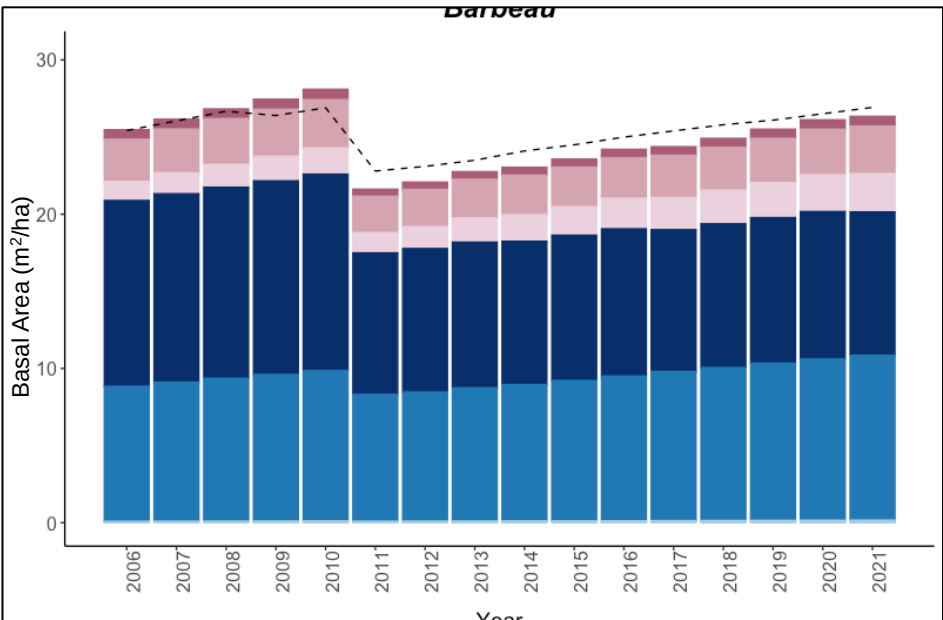
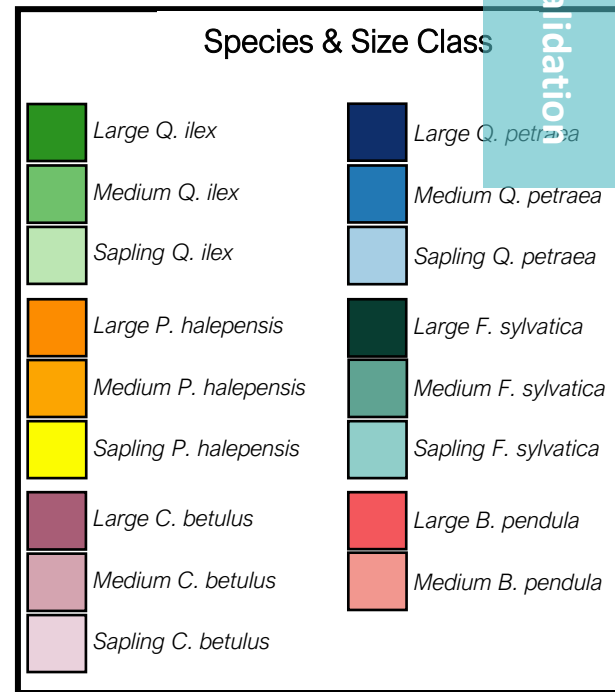
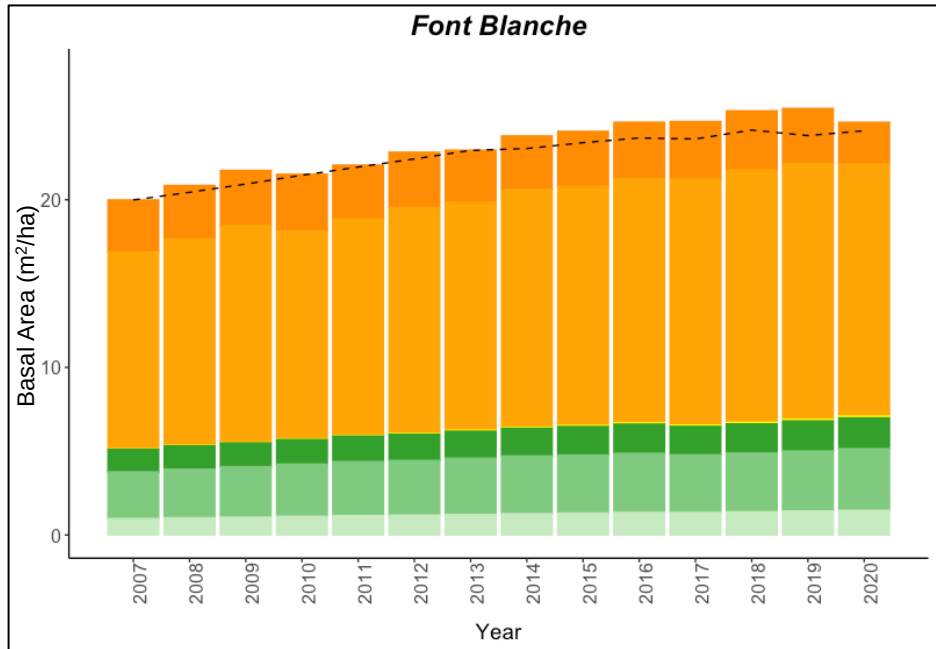
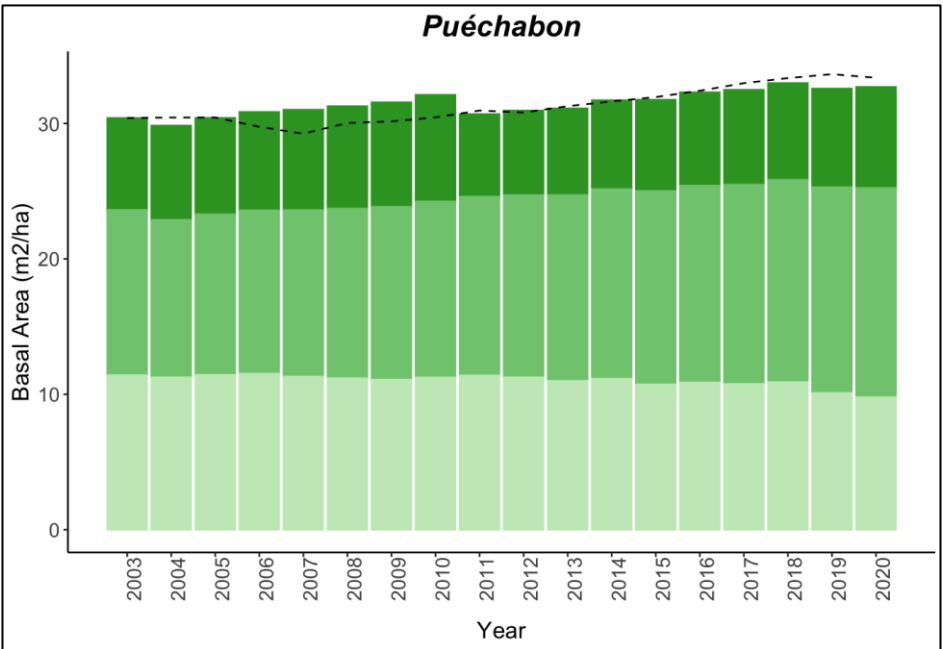


Fig. 2 | Predicted versus observed annual stand basal area. For each simulation site, the bars depict the annual basal area projections generated by the PHOREAU model, broken down by species and size class contributions (refer to Annex X for details). The dashed line represents the observed annual total basal area derived from the inventory. Basal area is defined as the cross-sectional area at breast height of all trees per hectare.

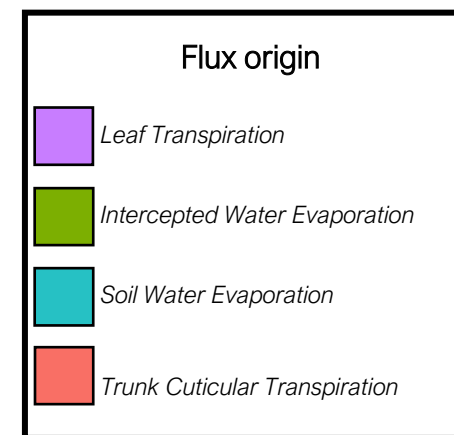
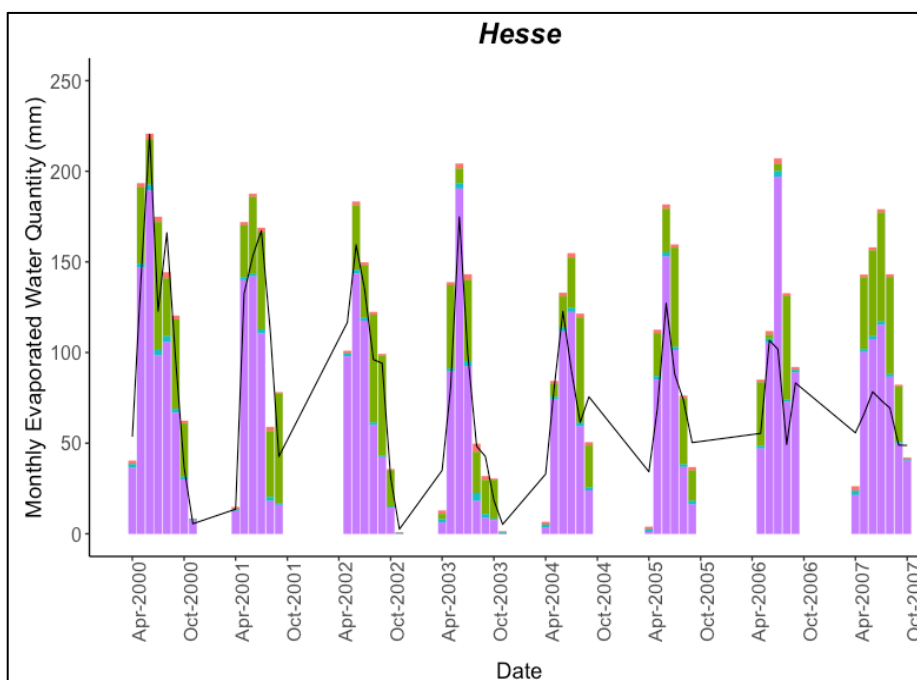
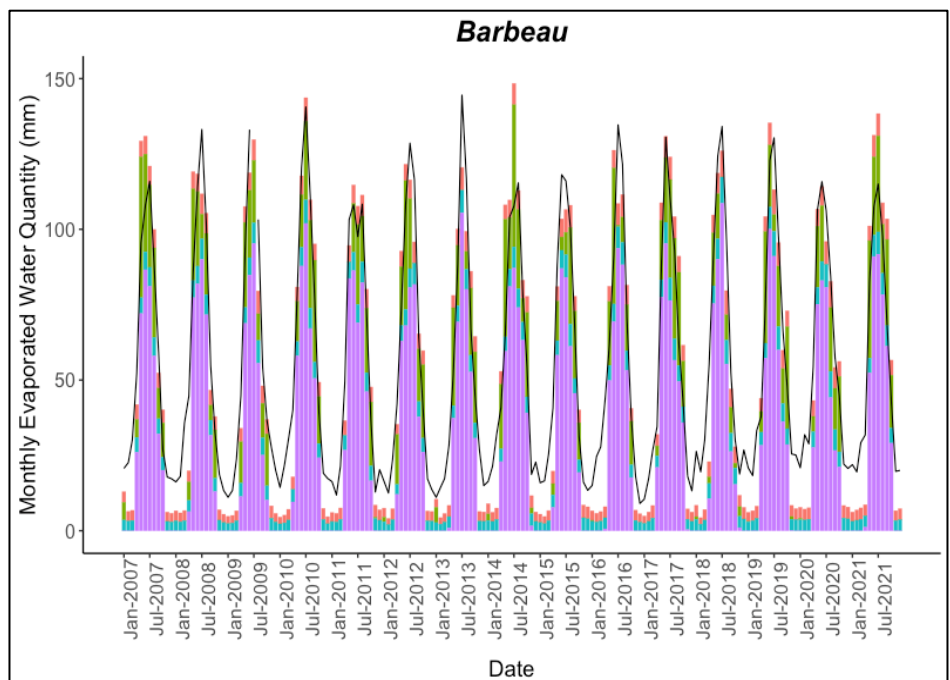
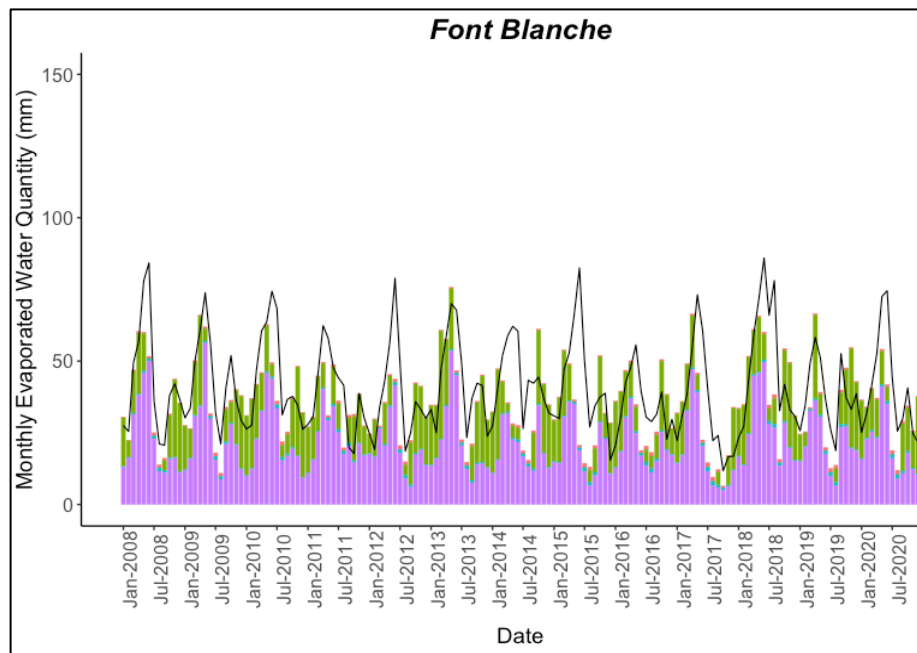
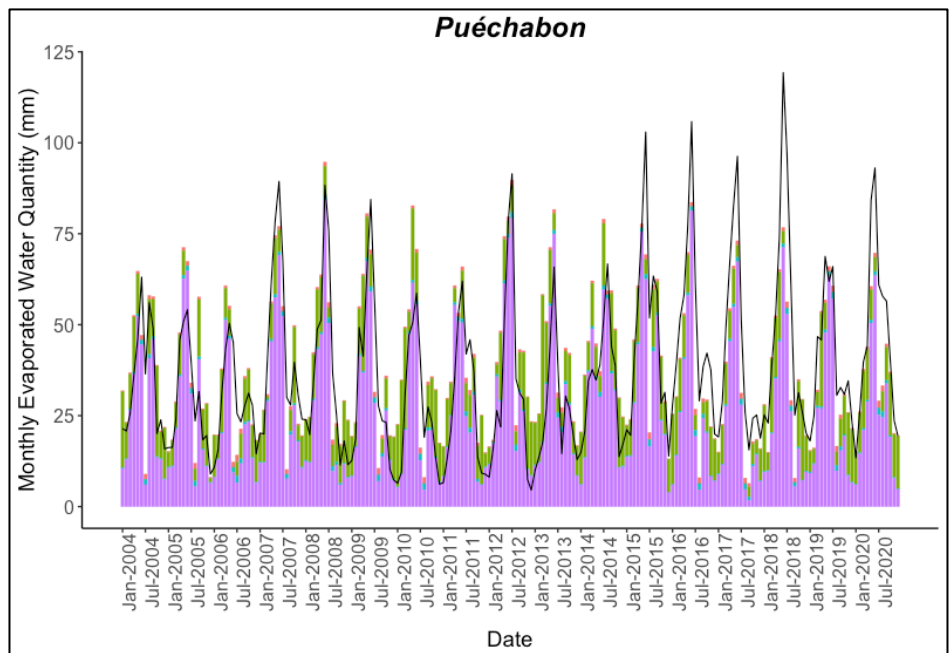


Fig. 3 | Predicted versus observed evolution of monthly real evapotranspiration (ETR). For each simulation site, the bars depict the monthly ETR (mm) projections generated by the PHOREAU model, broken down by source of flux. Soil and intercepted water evaporation respectively originate from the first layer of soil and the water stored on the surface of leaves, while the two other sources are transpiration from compartments of the PHOREAU tree (refer to Annex X for details). The black line indicates the observed monthly actual evapotranspiration, representing the total water vapor released from the soil and vegetation into the atmosphere, aggregated from hourly or sub-hourly measurements obtained from each site's flux tower.

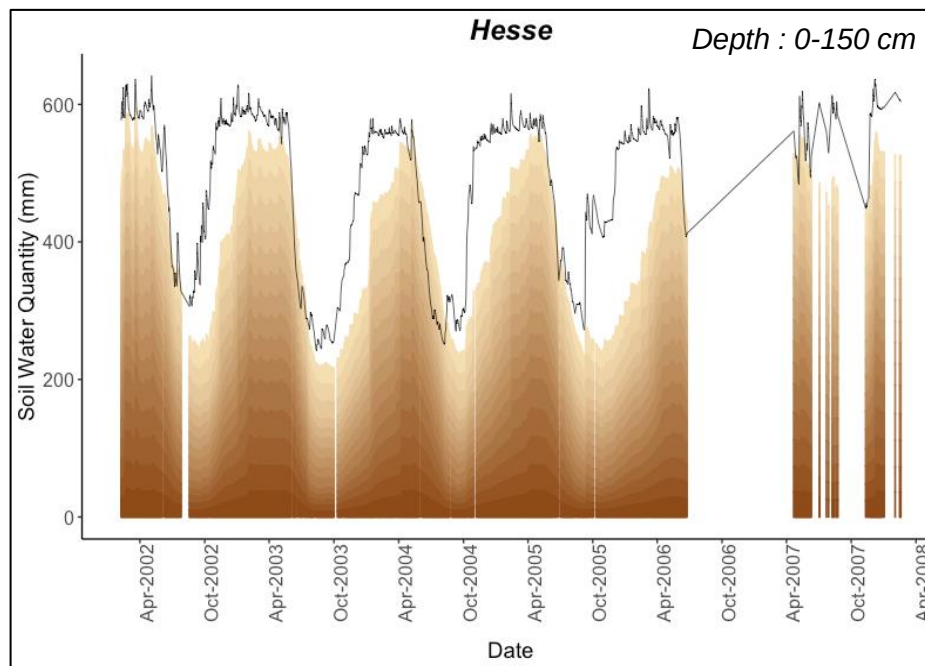
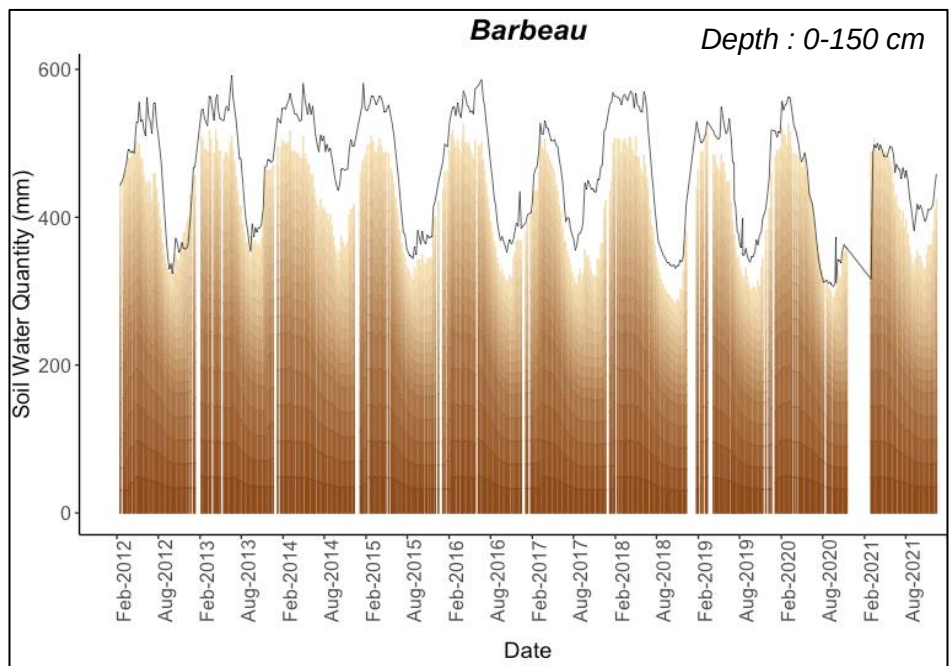
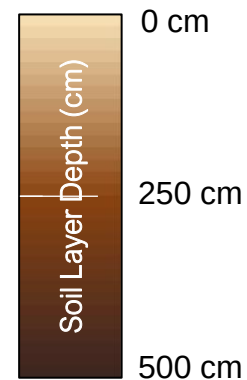
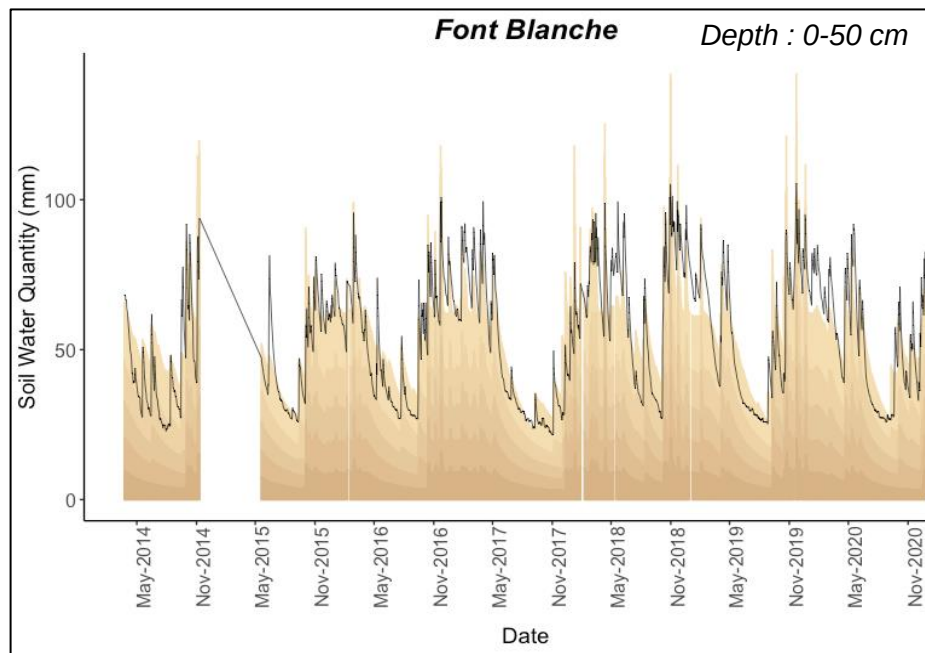
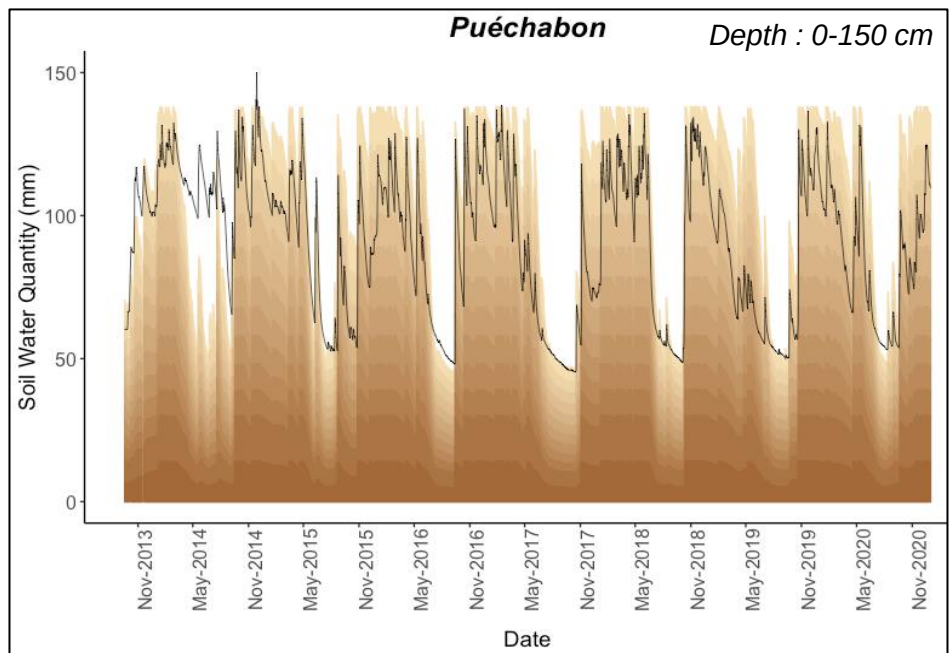


Fig. 4 | Predicted versus observed evolution of soil water quantity (SWC). For each simulation site, the black line indicates the observed daily actual SWC. The stacked bars depict the daily SWC (mm) projections generated by the PHOREAU model, with individual contributions of each soil layer stacked and color-coded by soil layer (see Fig. 6 for layer details). The projections are confined the maximum measured depth for the each site, as indicated in the upper right corner of the figure. For *Barbeau* and *Font Blanche*, observed SWC were directly obtained from site managers; for *Puéchabon* and *Hesse*, they were interpolated from soil relative humidity ($RH_{\%}$) measured at different depths, using the same rock fractions as used in the simulation.

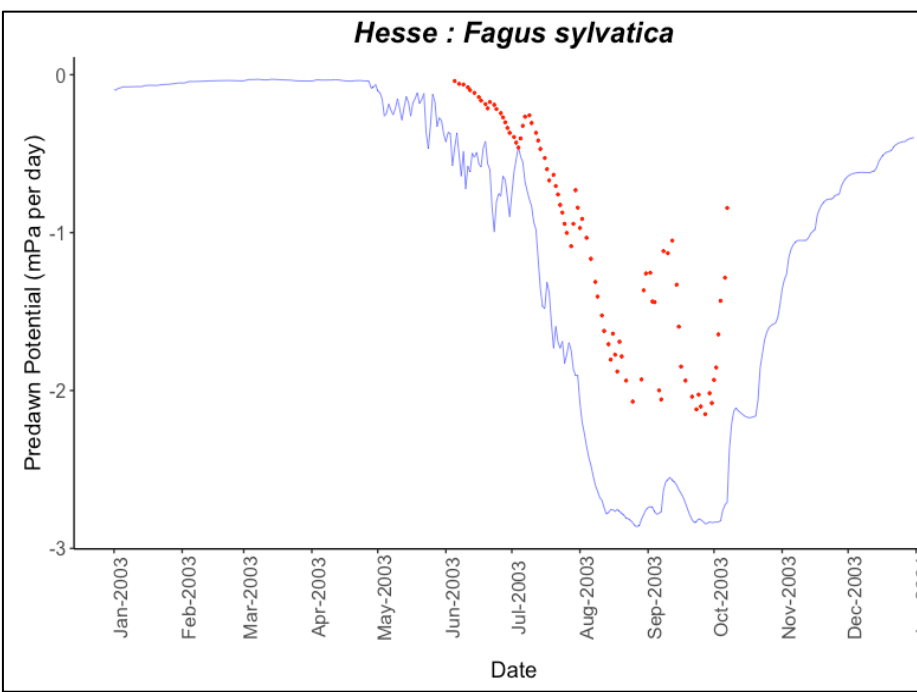
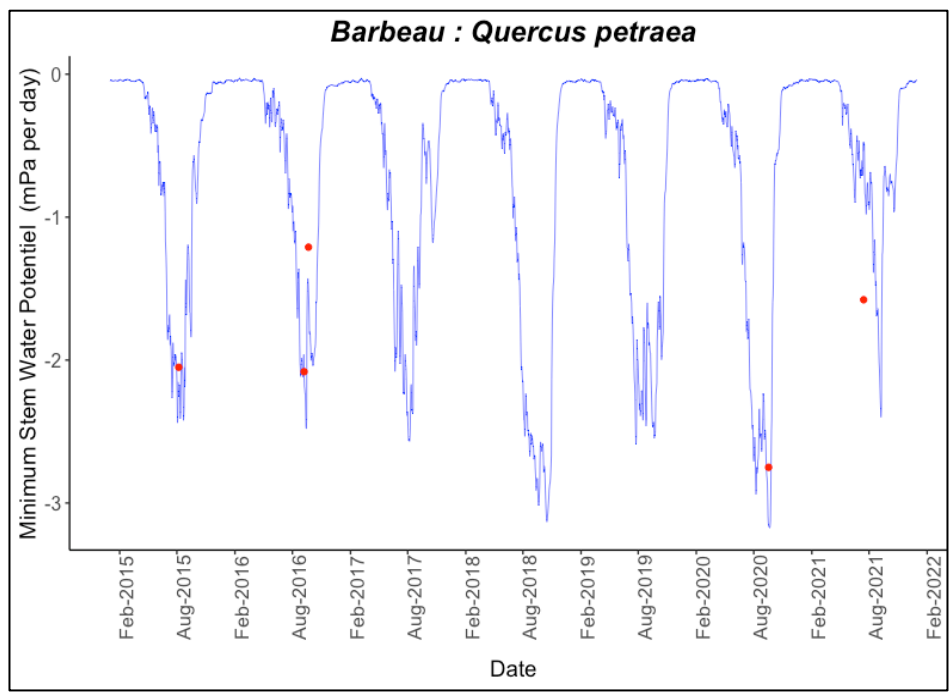
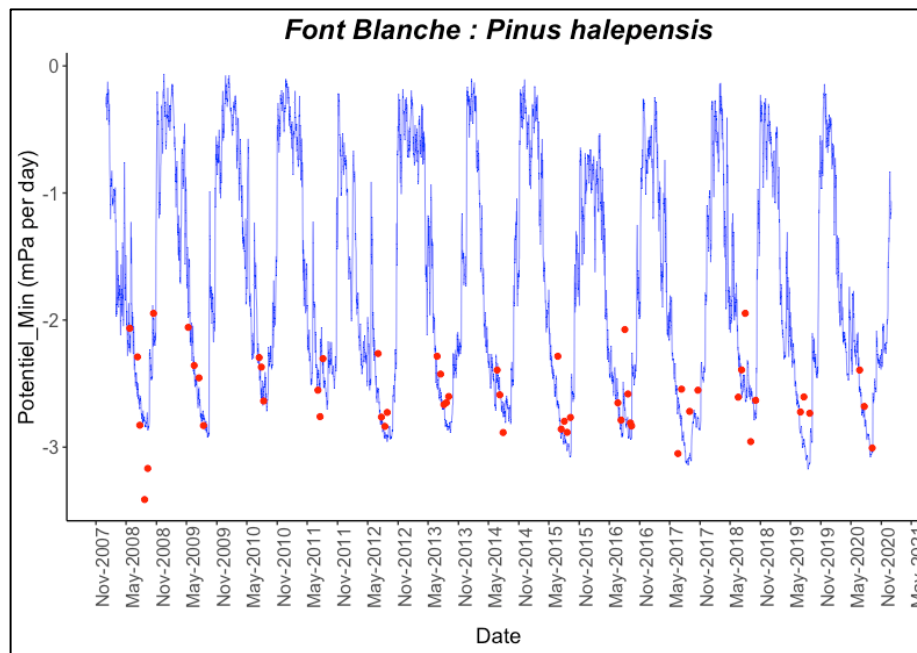
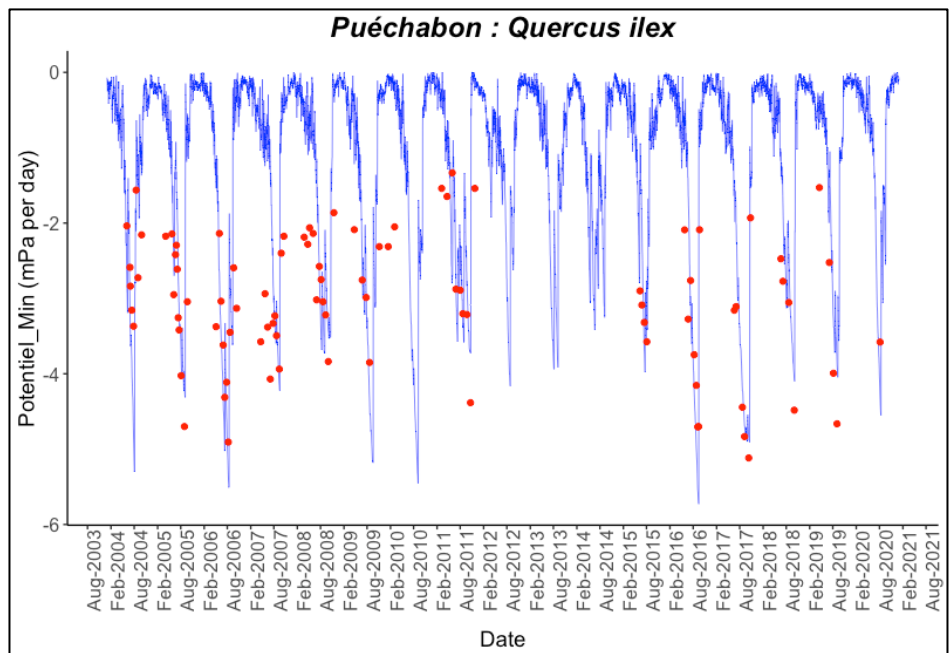


Fig. 5 | Evolution of predicted versus observed stem water potentials. For the dominant species of the four ICOS simulations, the blue line depicts the daily evolution of the stem water potentials (mPa) generated by the PHOREAU model and averaged over the aggregate trees of the species (refer Annex X for details on the aggregation method). The red points represent the observed water potentials, limited to the years for which observational data is available (data sources are detailed in Annex X). For Puéchabon, Font Blanche and Barbeau sites, the minimum daily observed and predicted water potentials are shown. For Hesse, where only predawn observations are available, the maximum predicted water potential is used as a proxy.

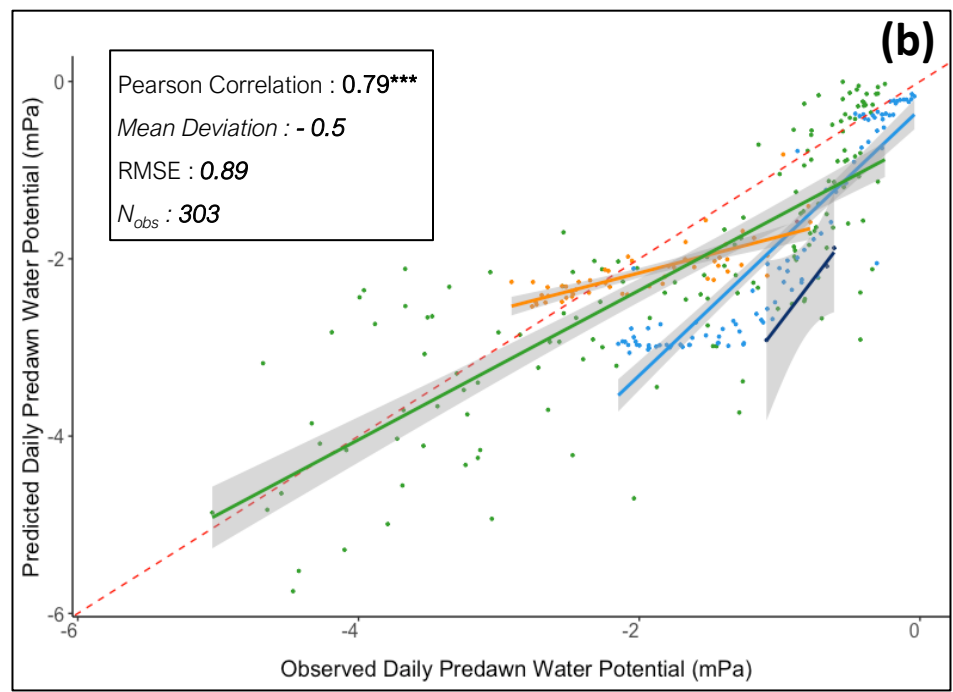
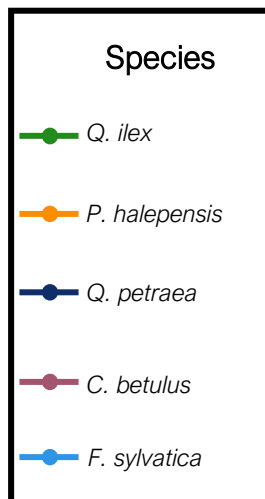
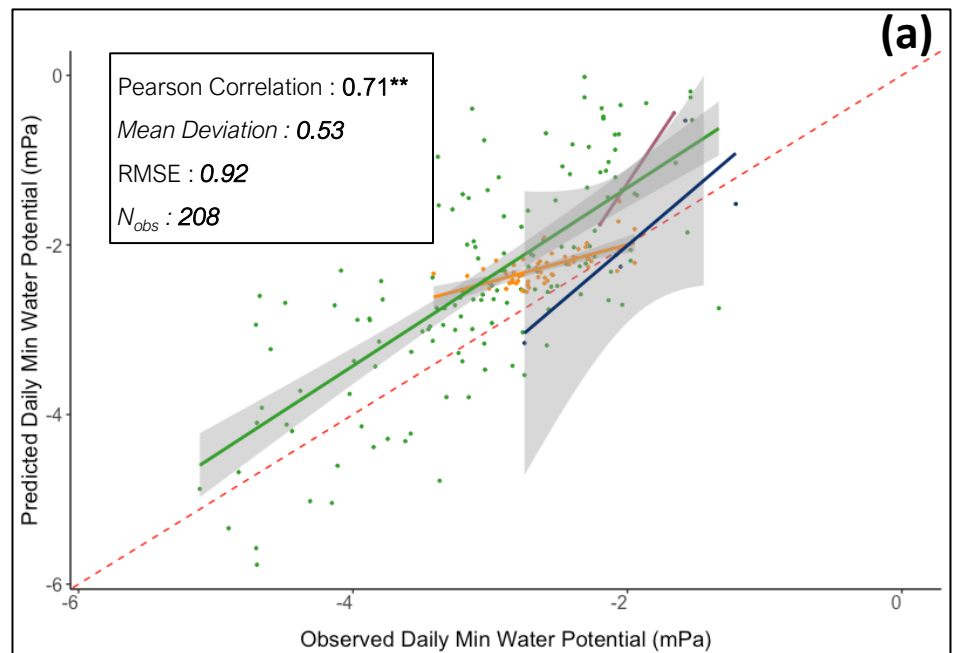


Fig. 6 | Aggregated Predicted versus observed daily stem water potential. All available stem water potentials (mPa) observations are plotted against the PHOREAU projection for the corresponding day and species. For each species, the full colored lines are the regression lines of the linear model of the relationship between observed and predicted minimum water potential, with confidence interval represented with the grey dashed lines. The dashed red line is the 1:1 line. See Annex X for definition of associated statistics. (a) Comparison with minimum water potentials. (b) Comparison with predawn water potentials.

Productivity Validation

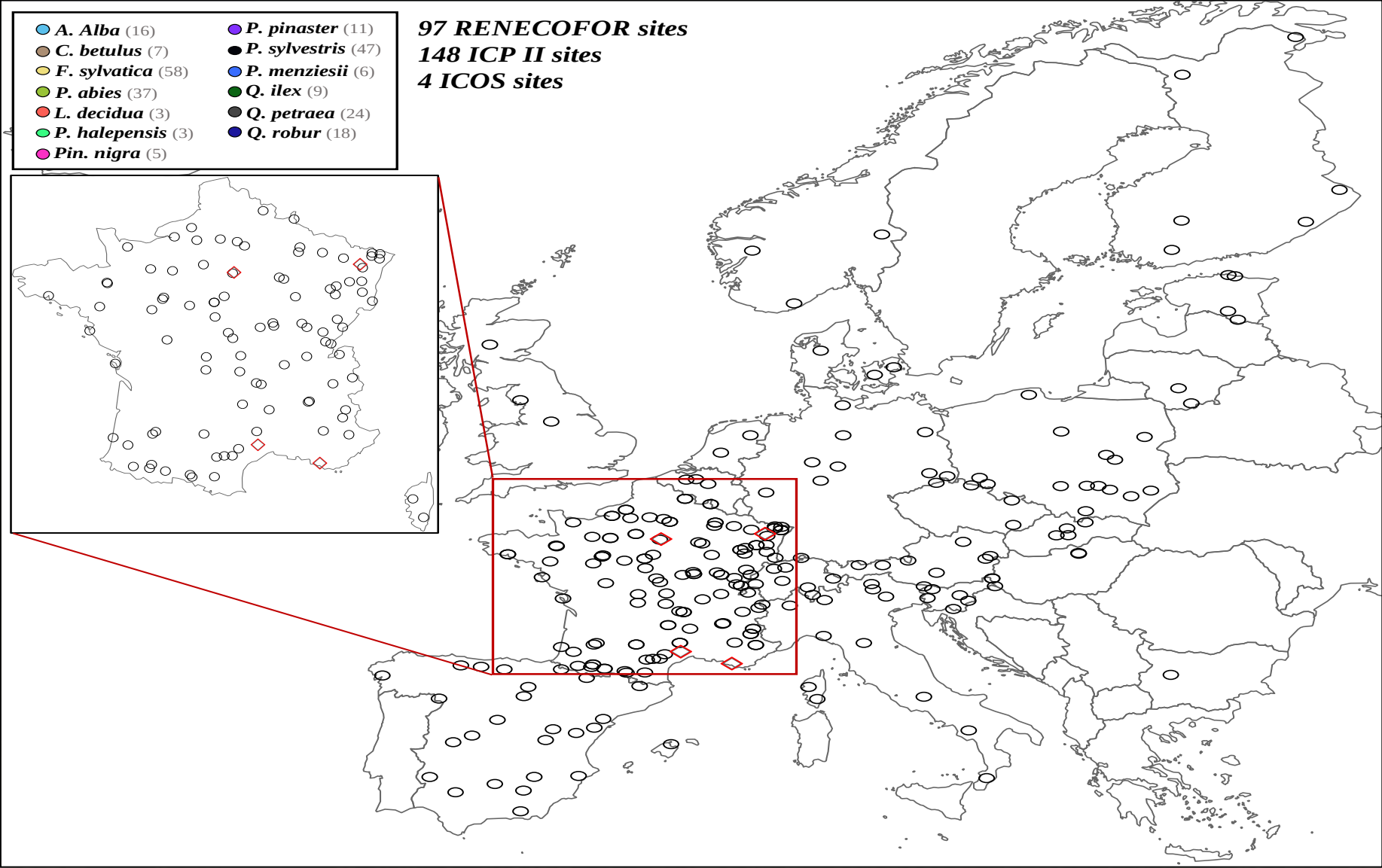
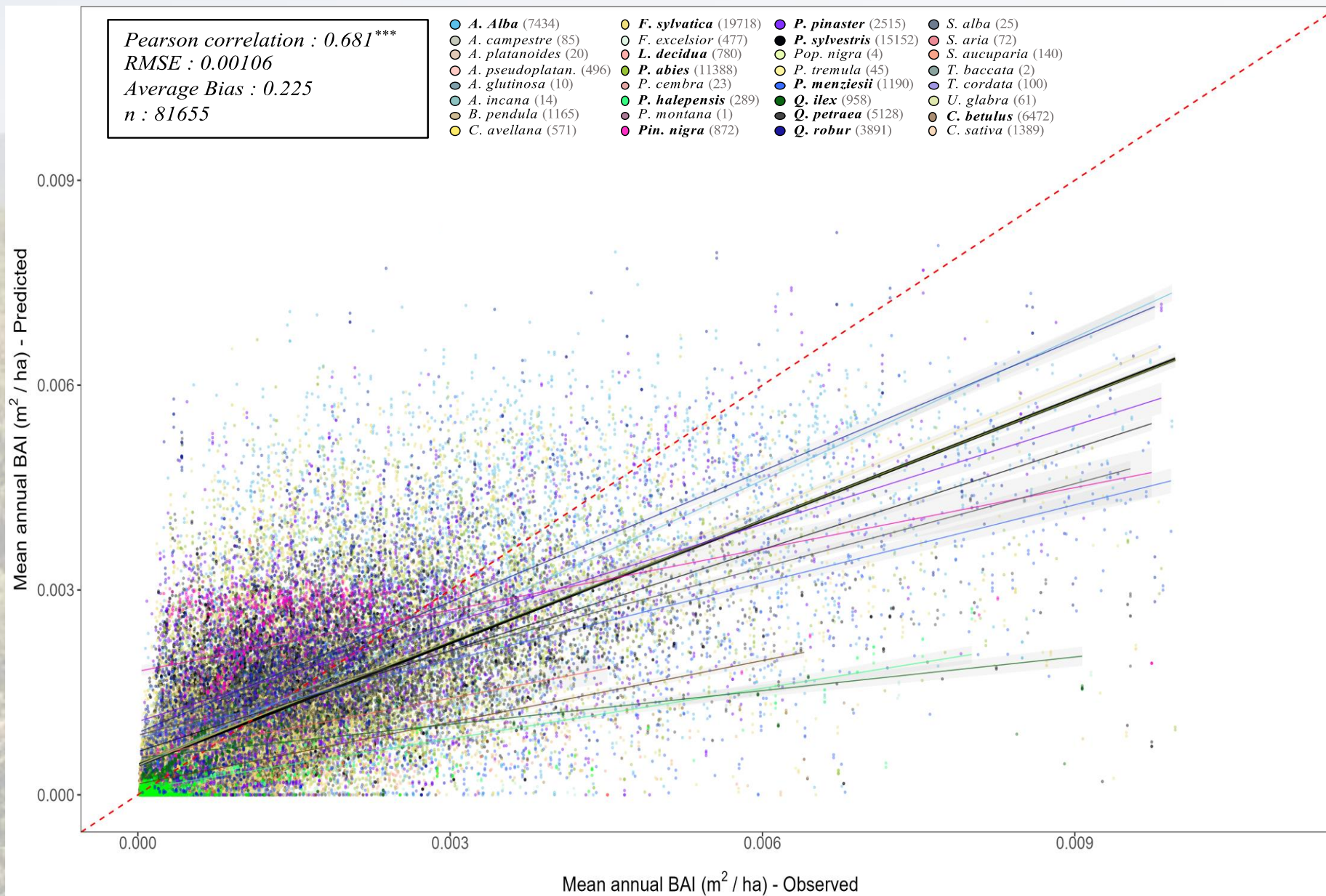
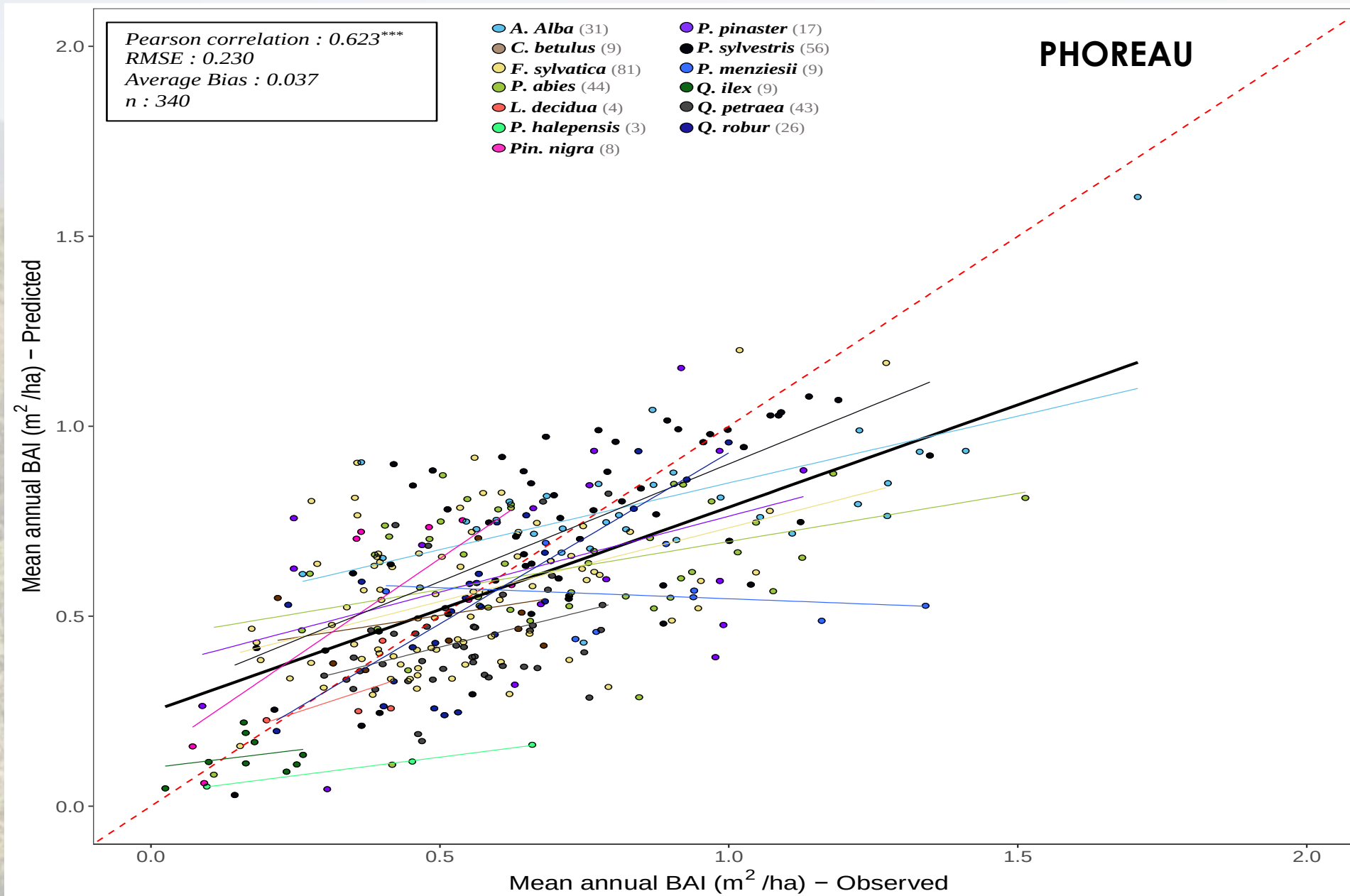


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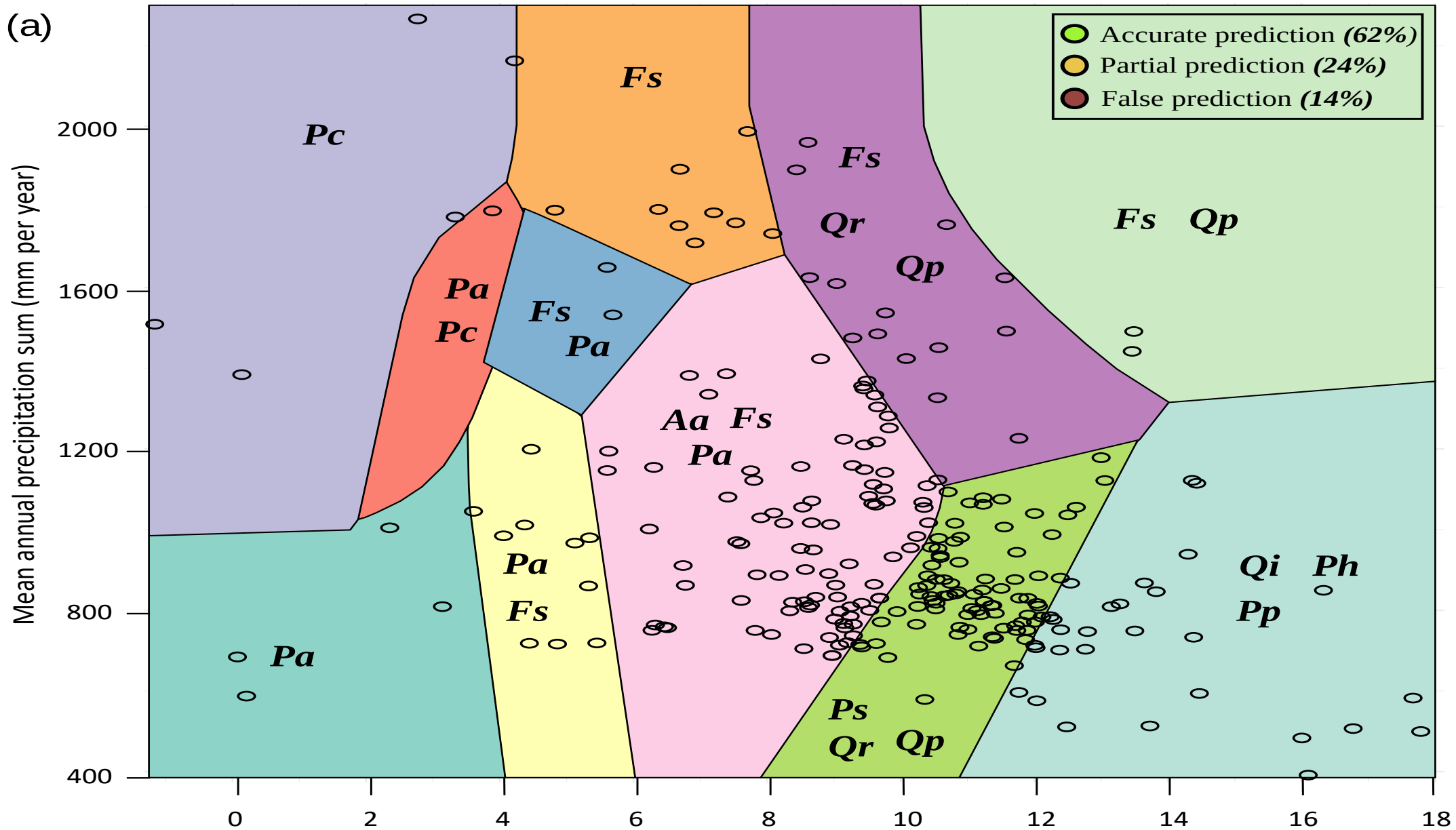
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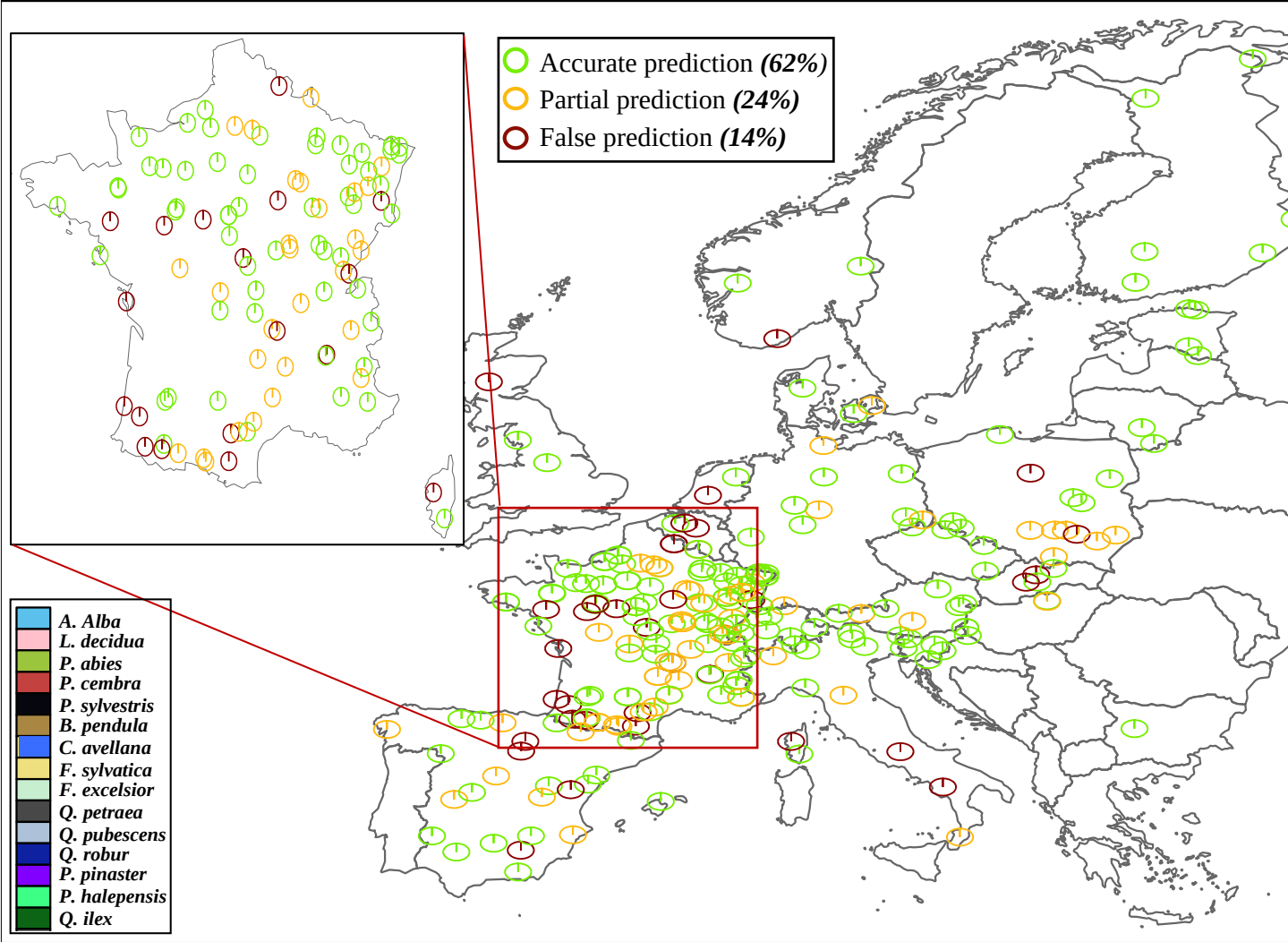
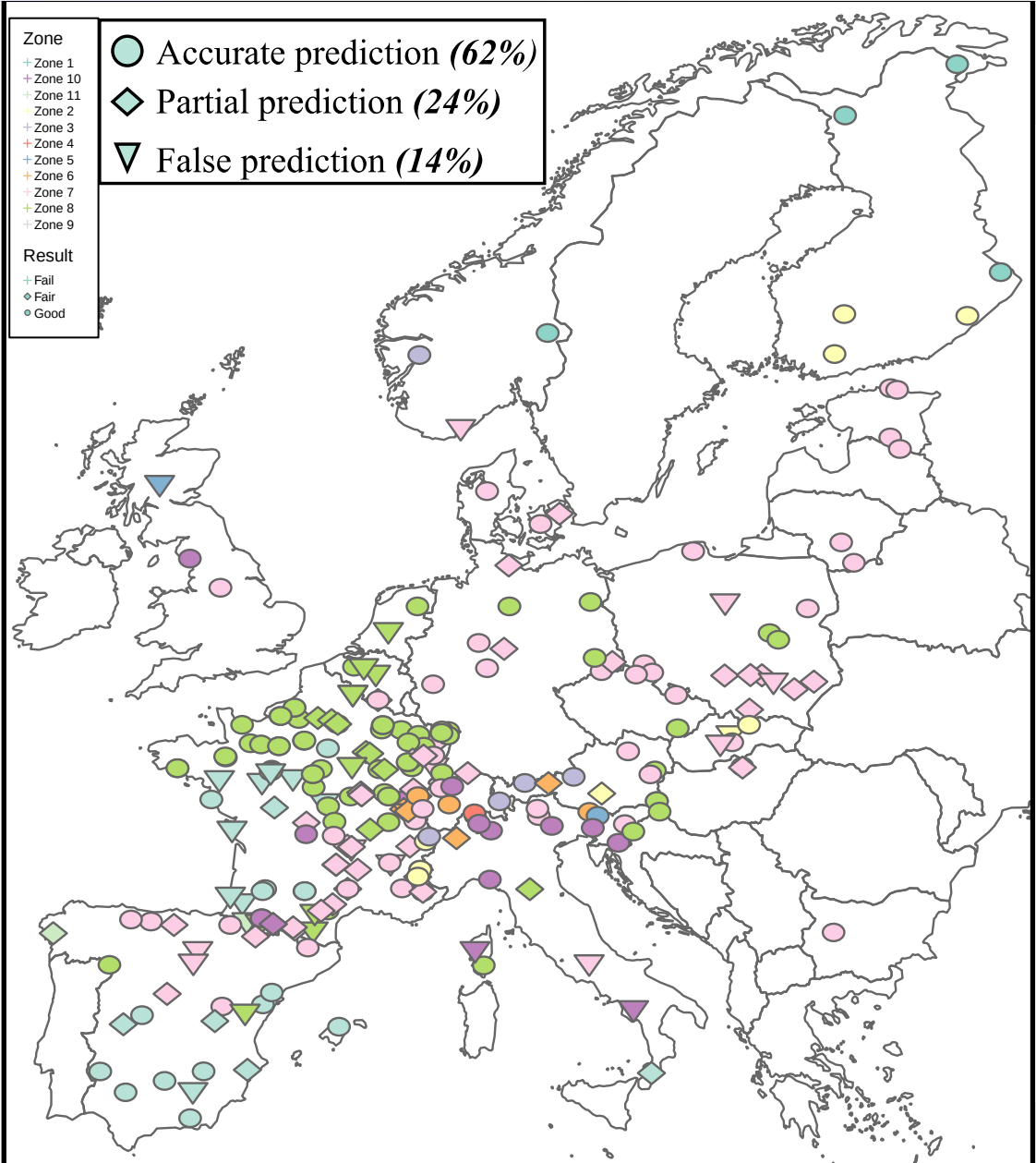


Potential Niche Validation



Bugmann,
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Potential Niche Validation





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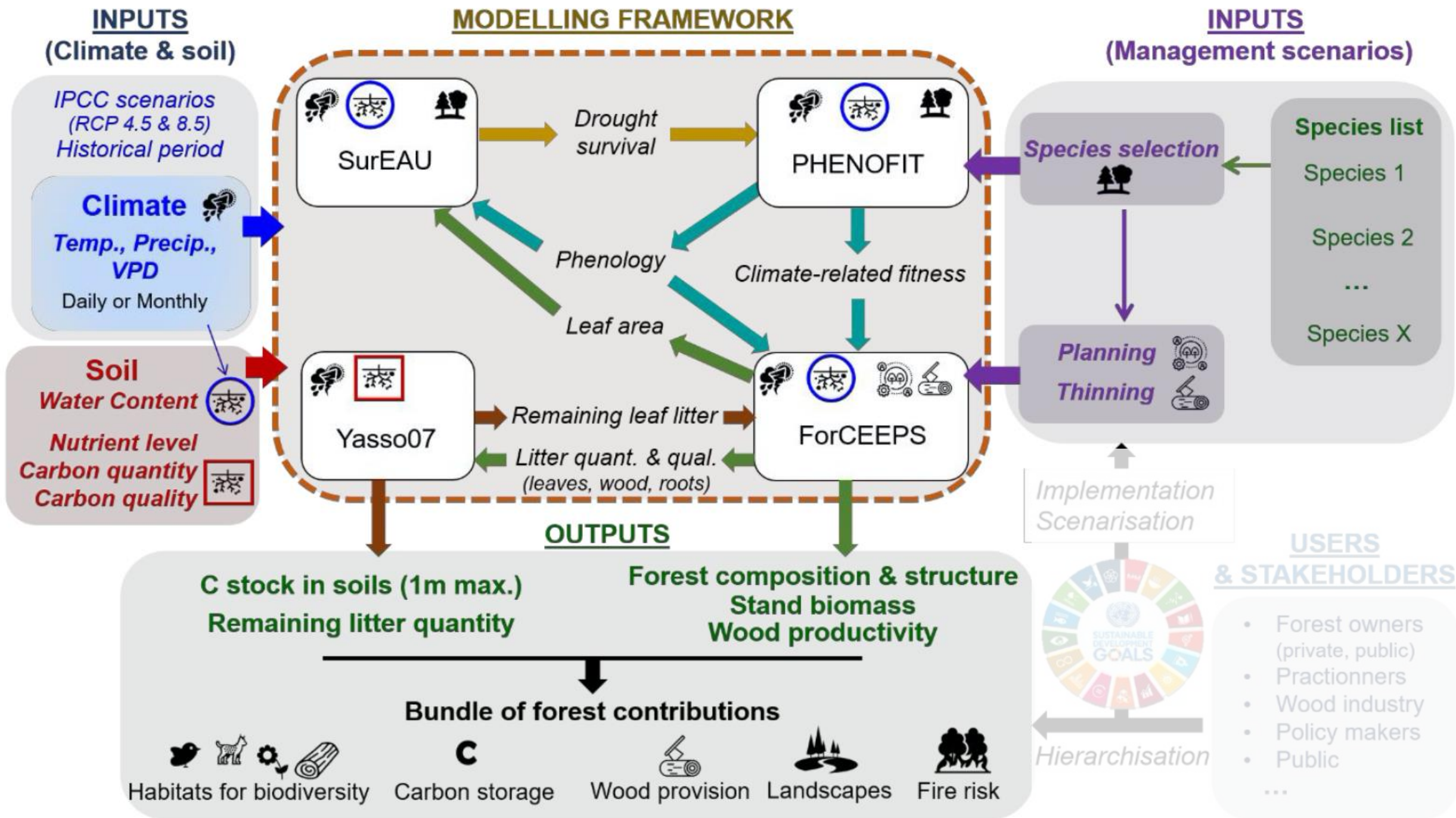
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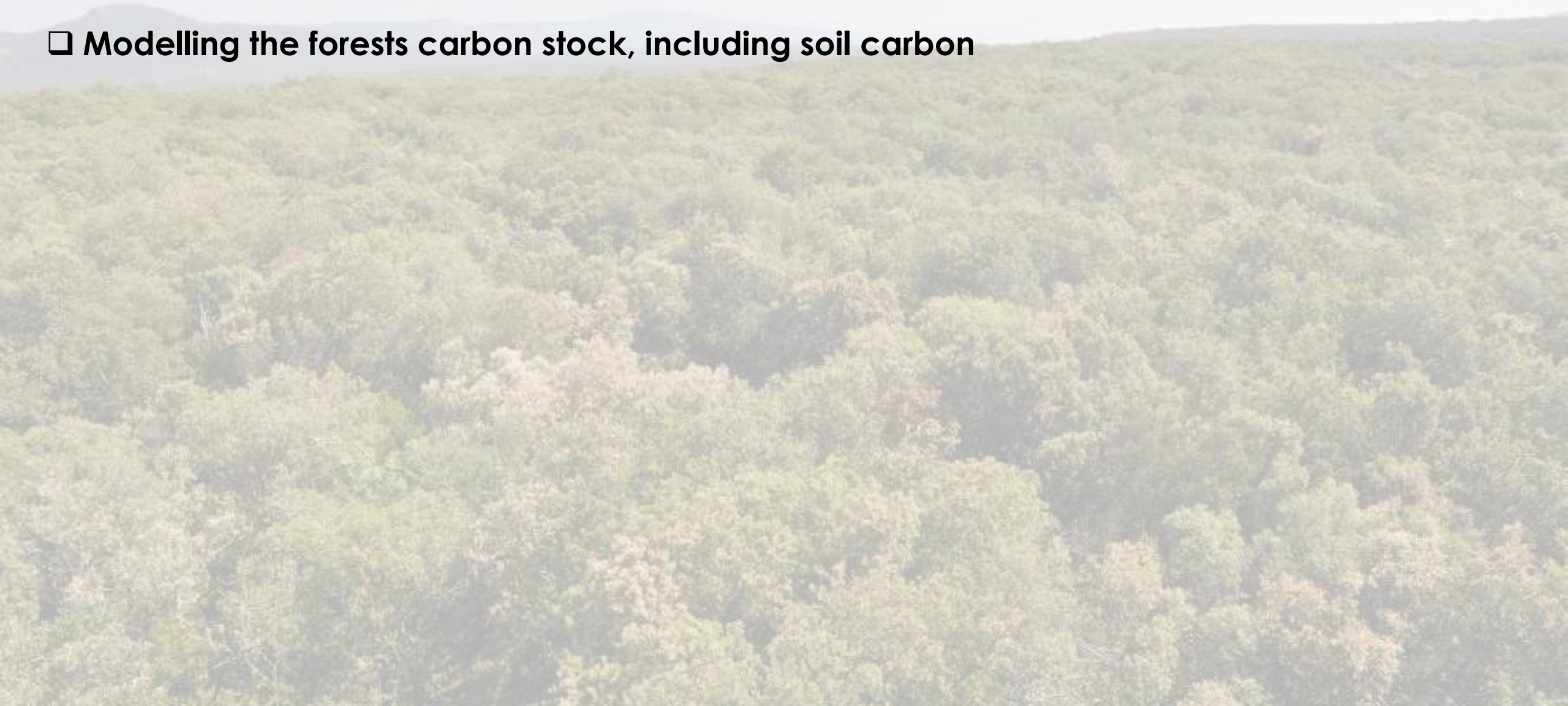


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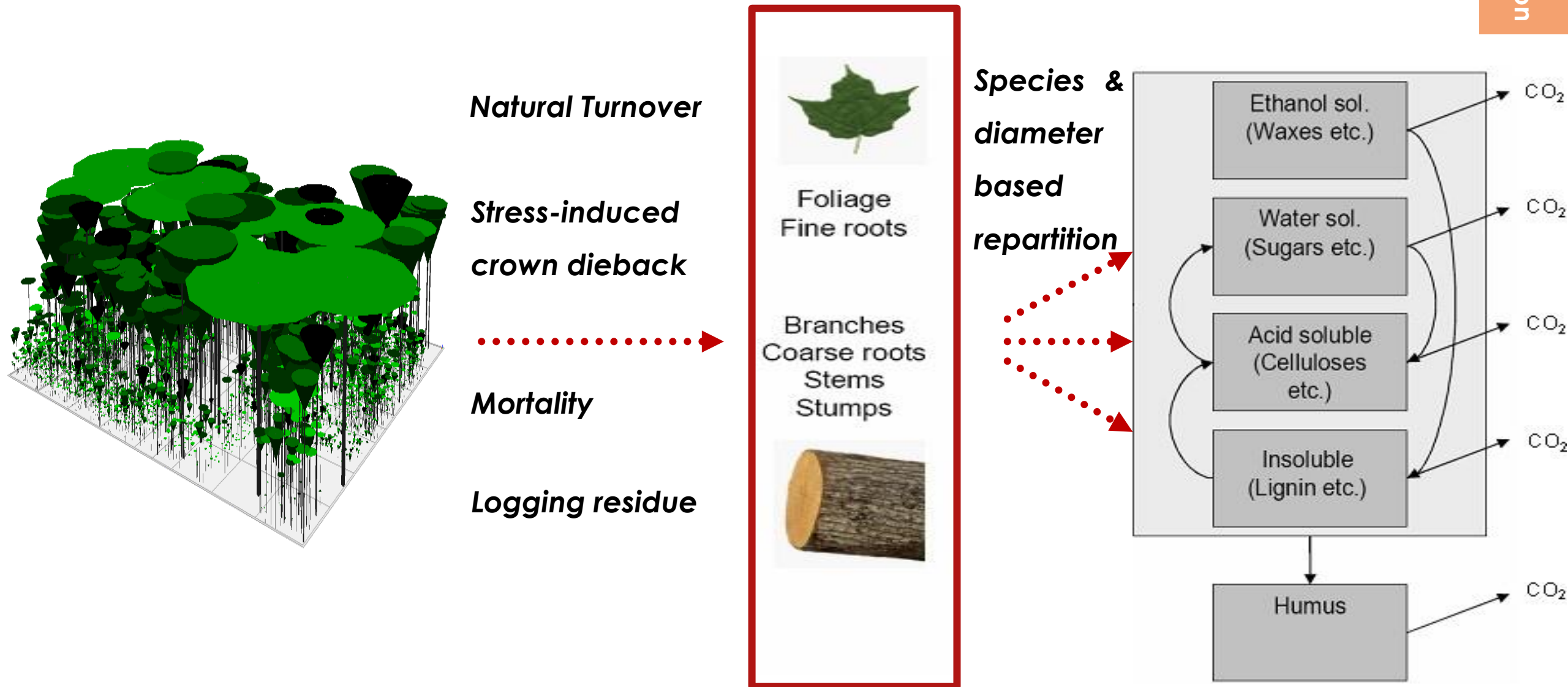


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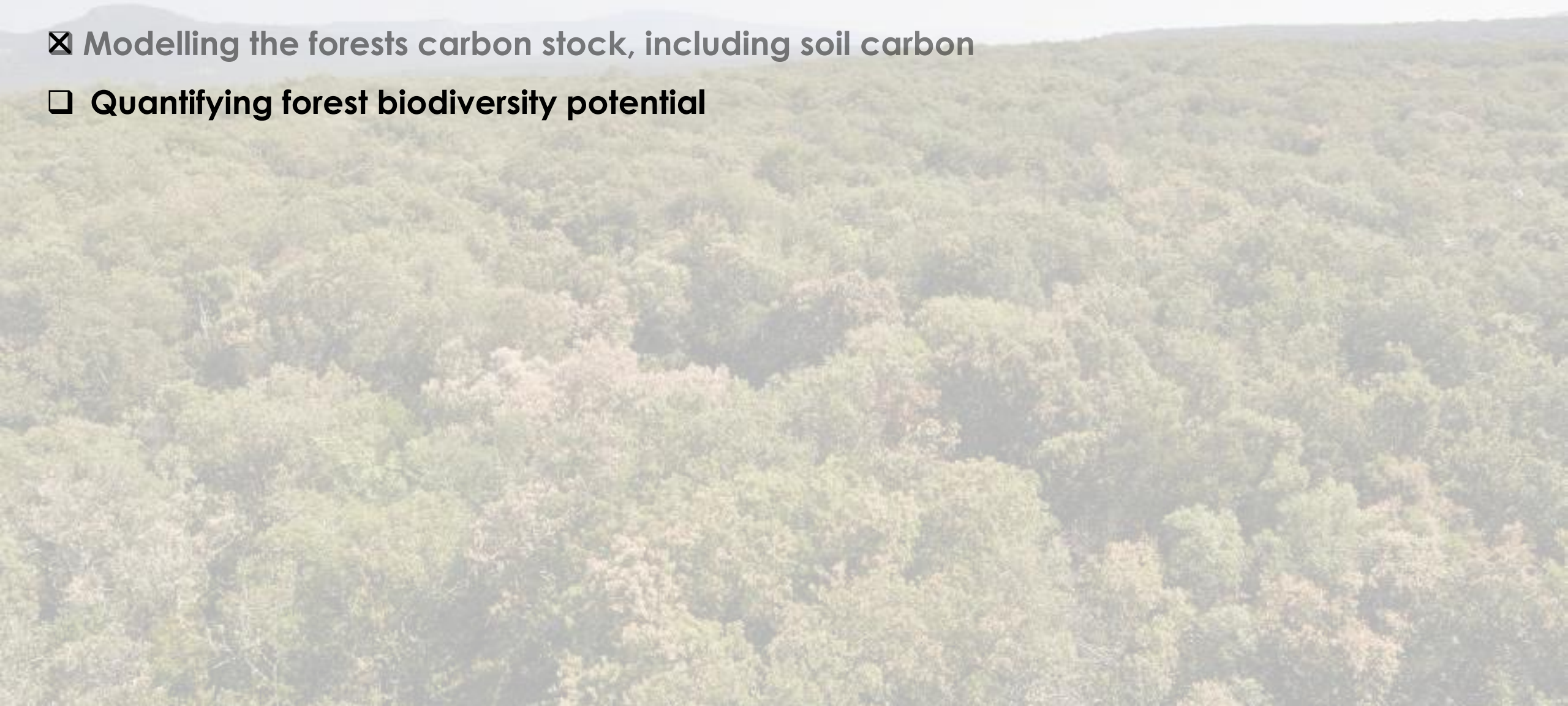


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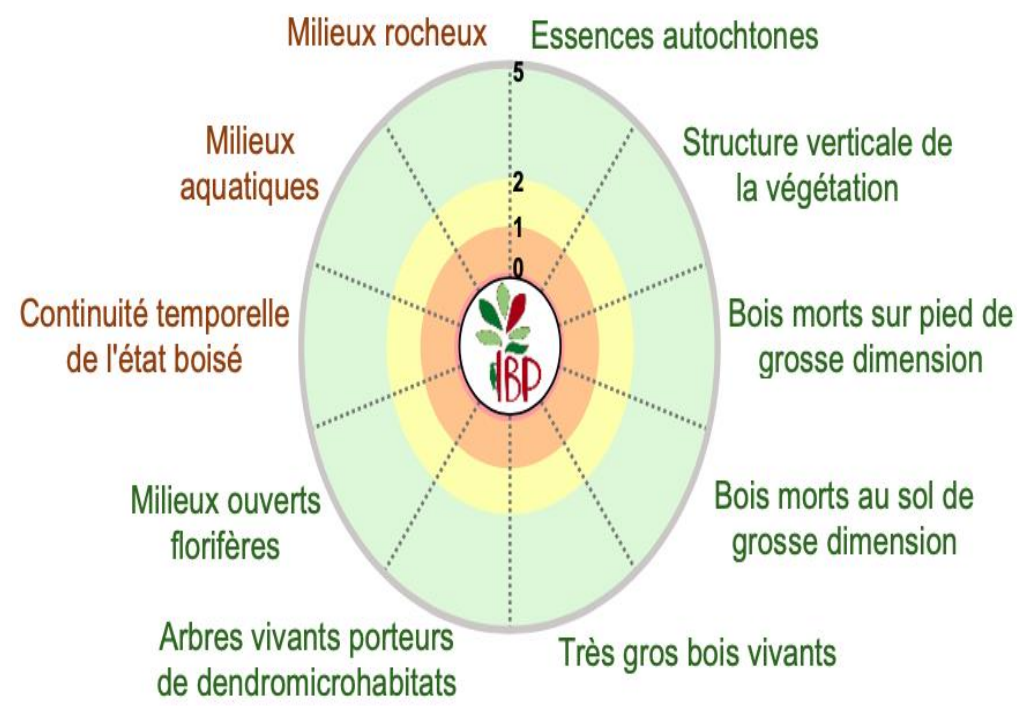
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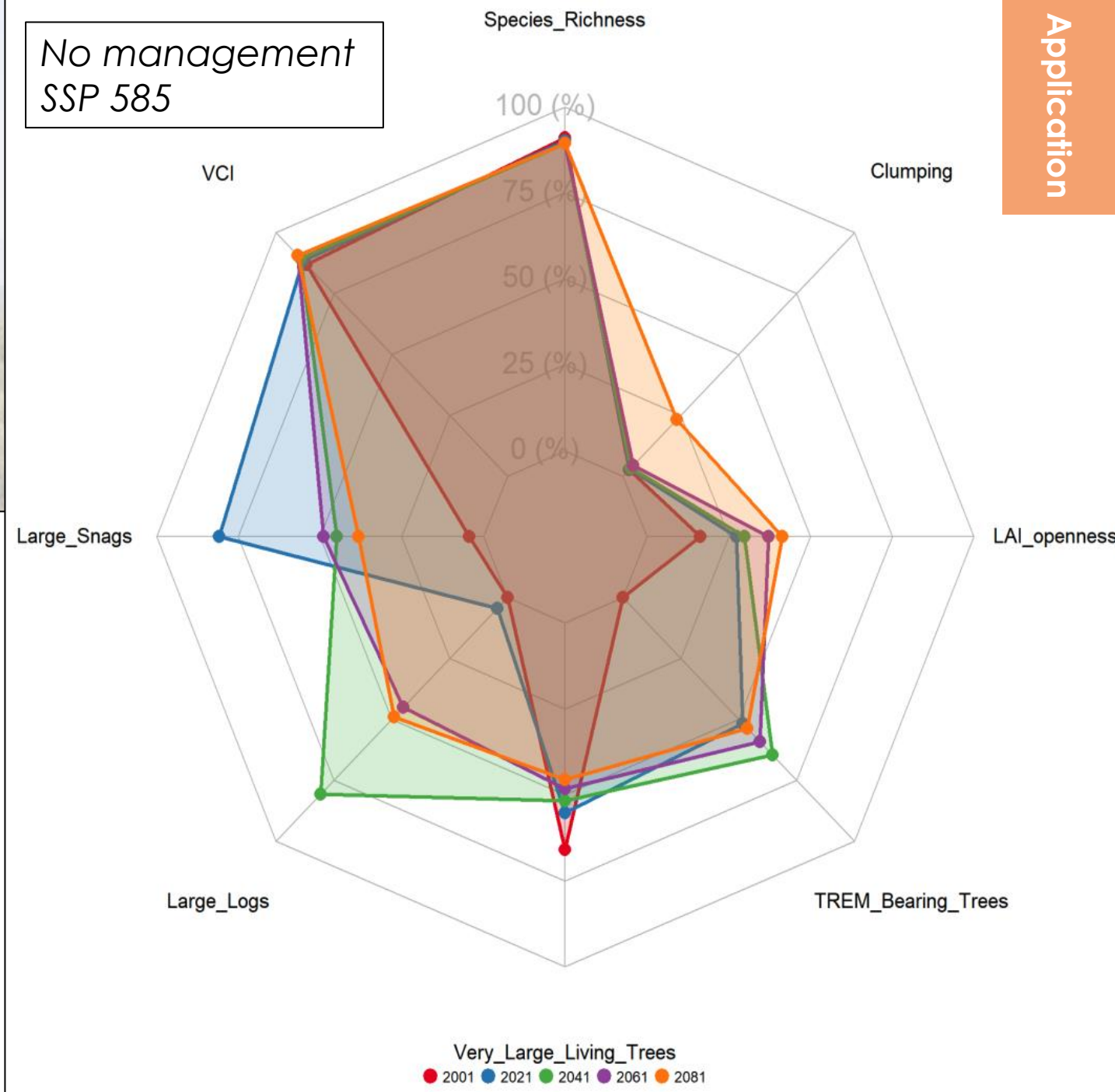


Production of Diversity Indices

Indice de Biodiversité Potentielle (IBP v 3.0)



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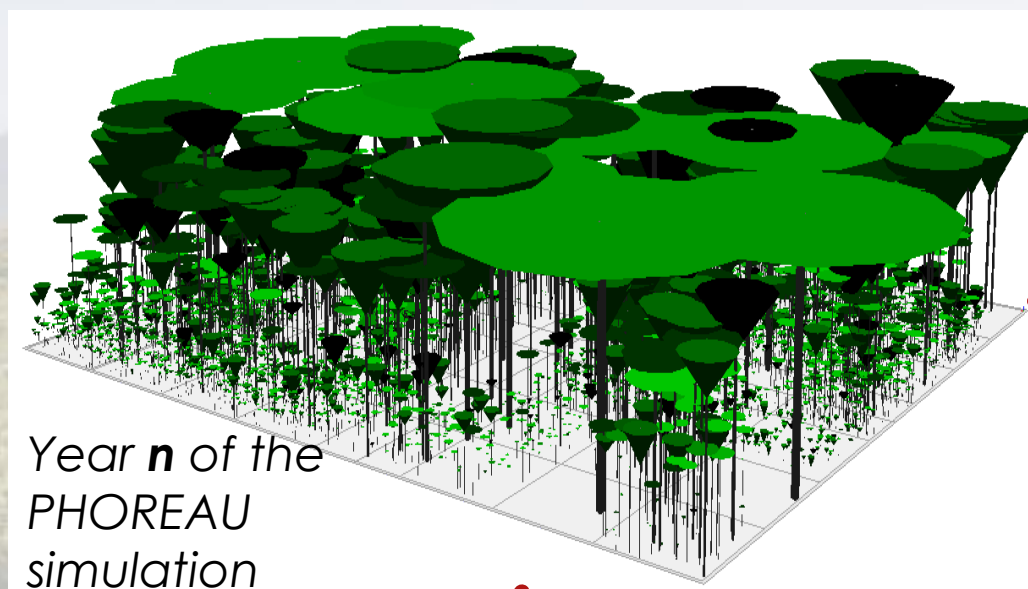
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Implementing Dynamic Forest Management Scenarios



Species 1 : **40%** healthy

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Species j : **90%** healthy

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Species N : **50%** healthy

40% of unhealthy trees > **Sanitary Cut Threshold**

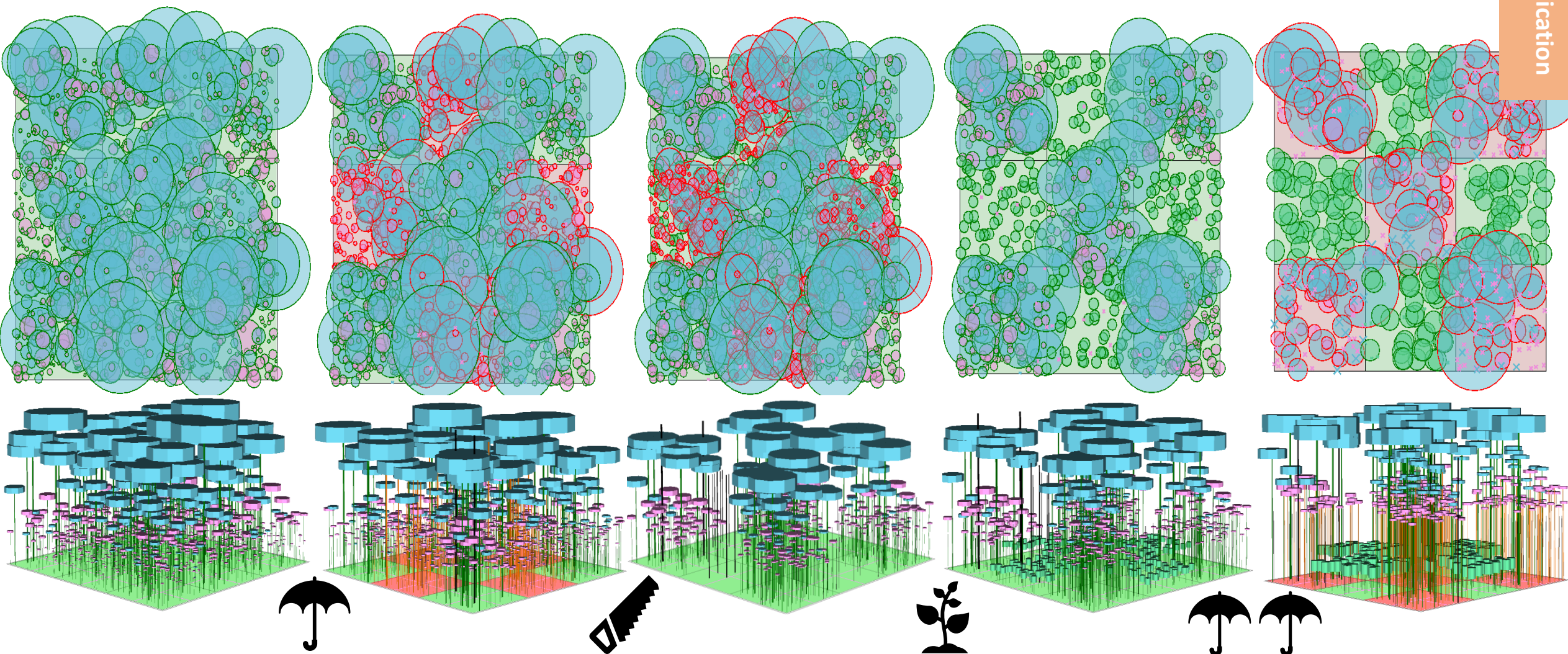
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Plantation



PHOREAU Dynamic Management : Proof of Concept



Healthy Stand

Localized dieback

Sanitary cut

Q. ilex plantation

Final state

Historical Climate

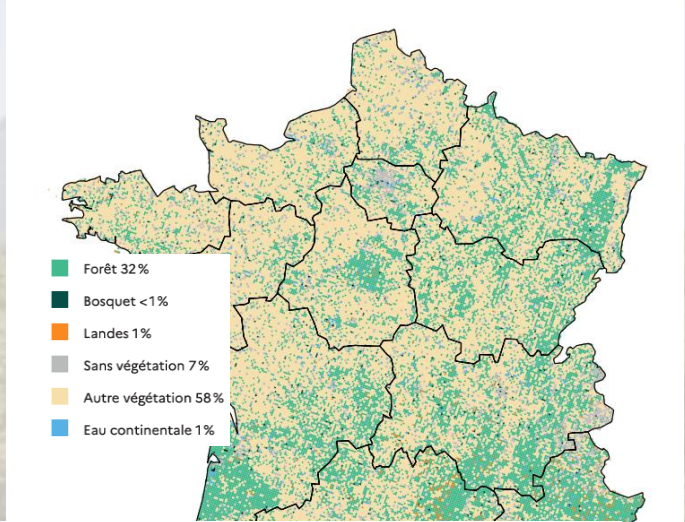
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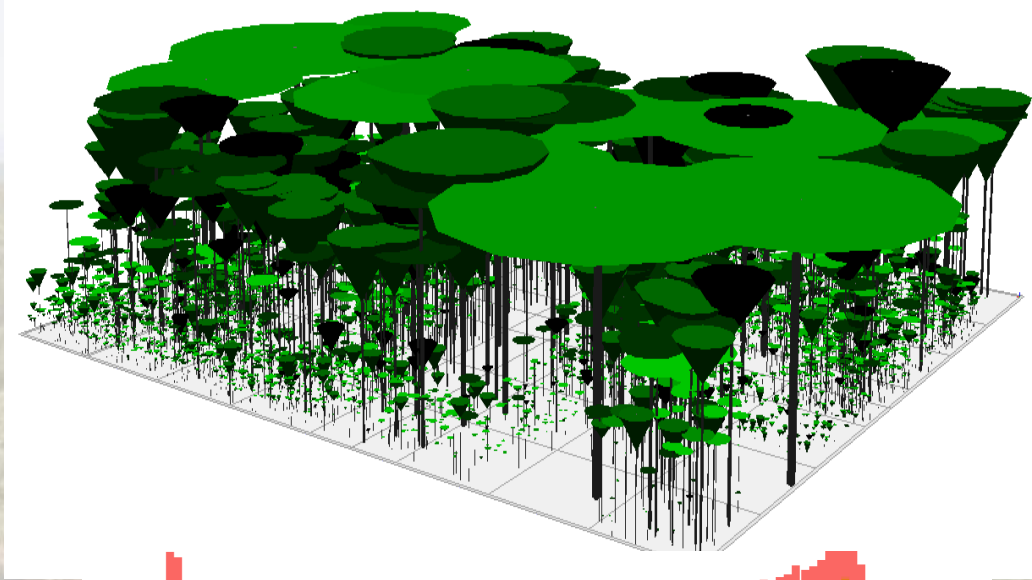
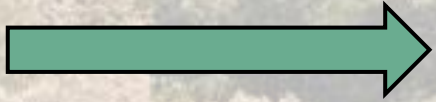
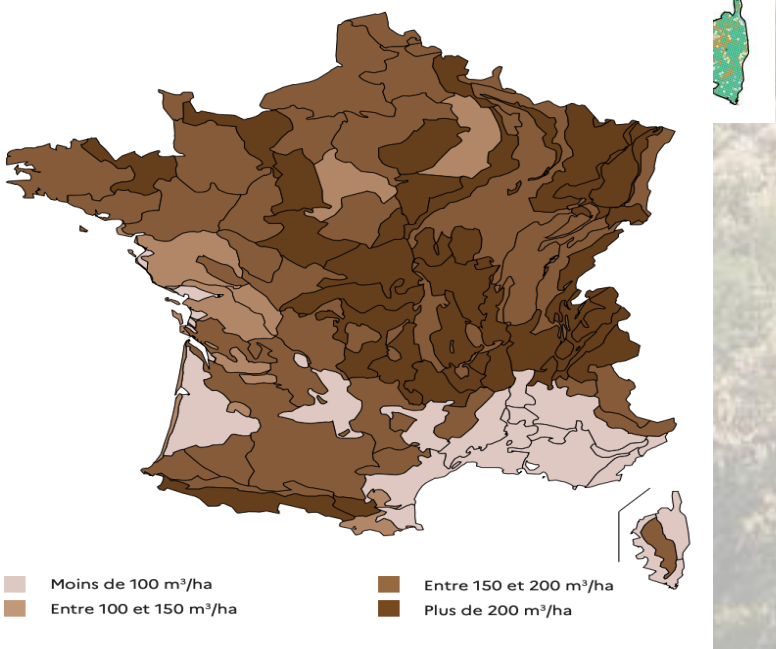
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- ☐ **Building a representative snapshot of the current state of french forests**

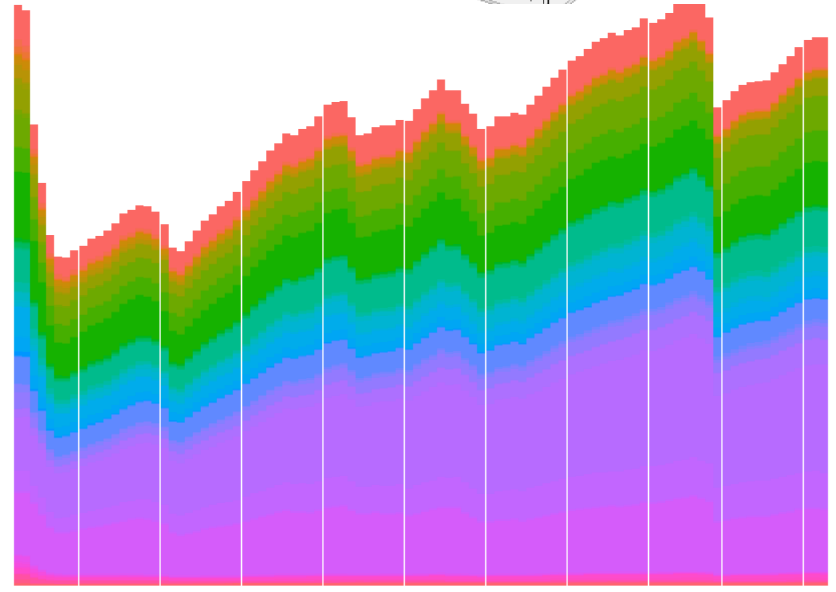
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VOLUME À L'HECTARE DES ARBRES VIVANTS
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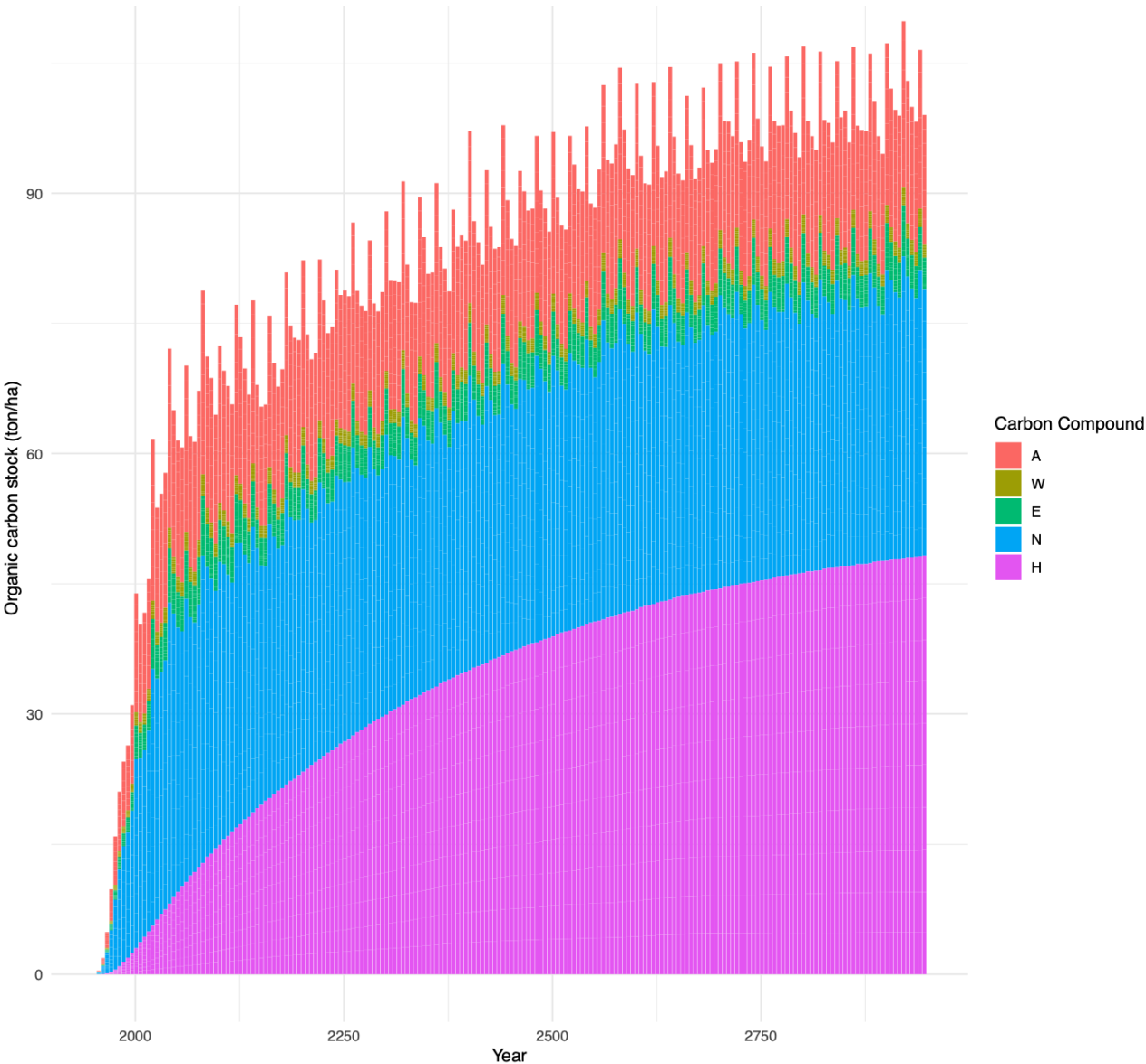
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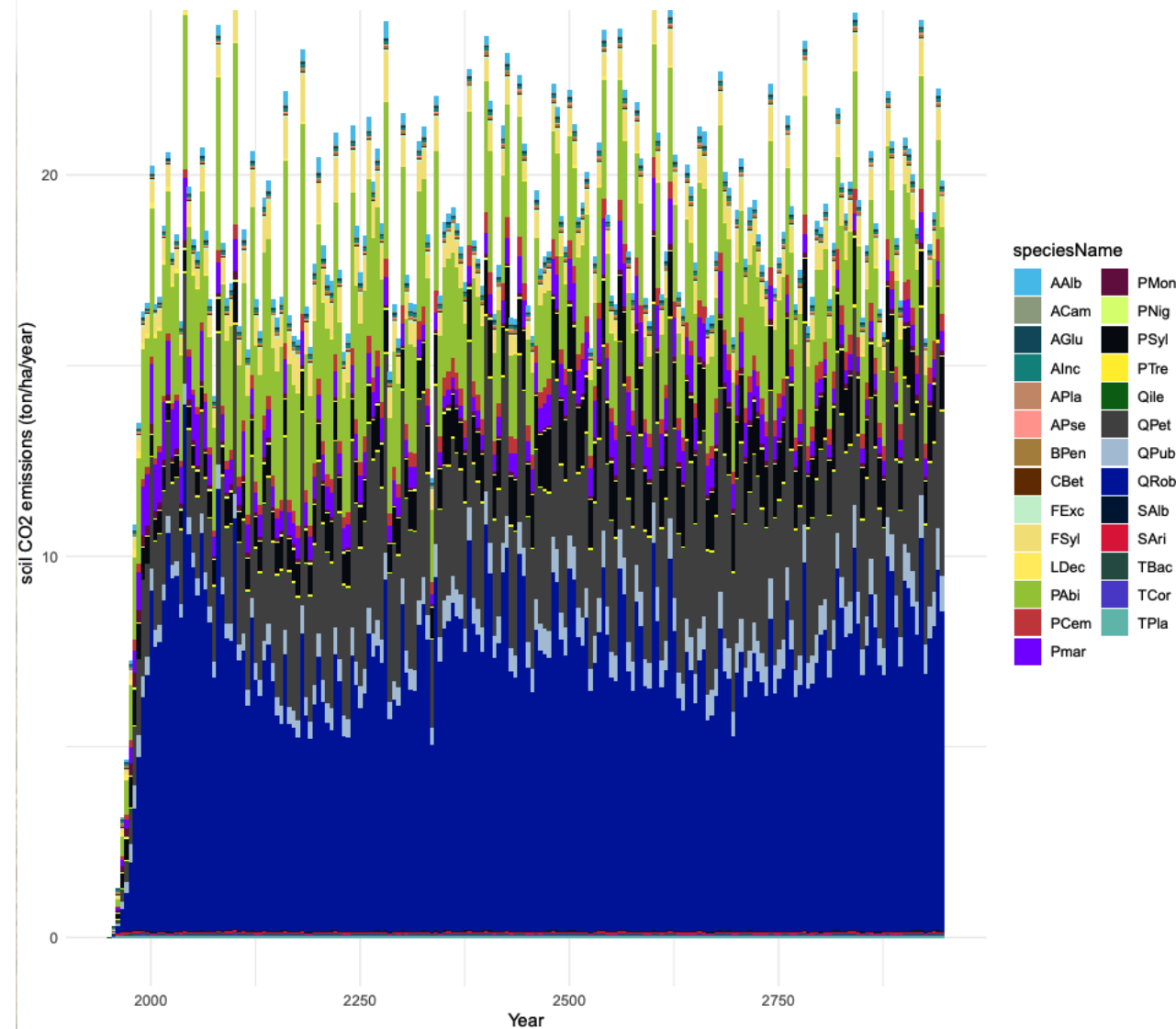
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Proof of Concept : Soil Carbon Stocks & Emissions

Evolution of soil carbon stock by compound type



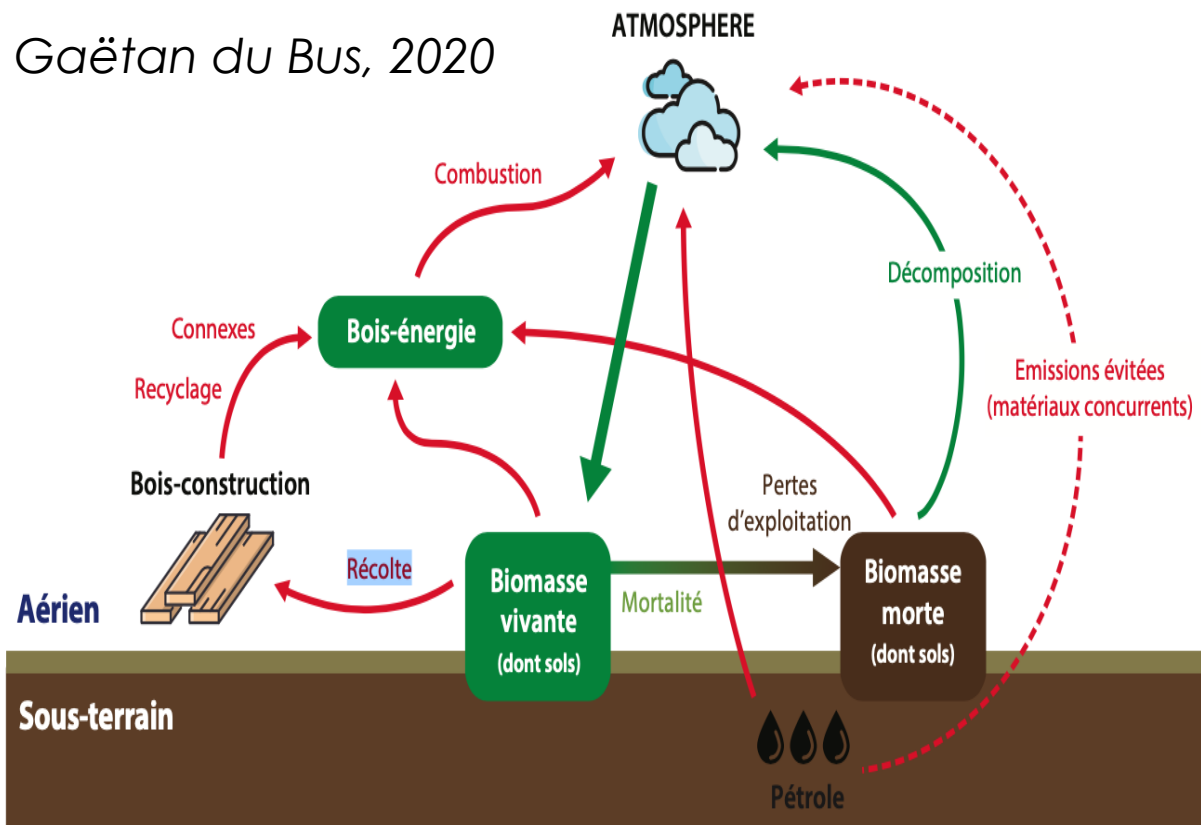
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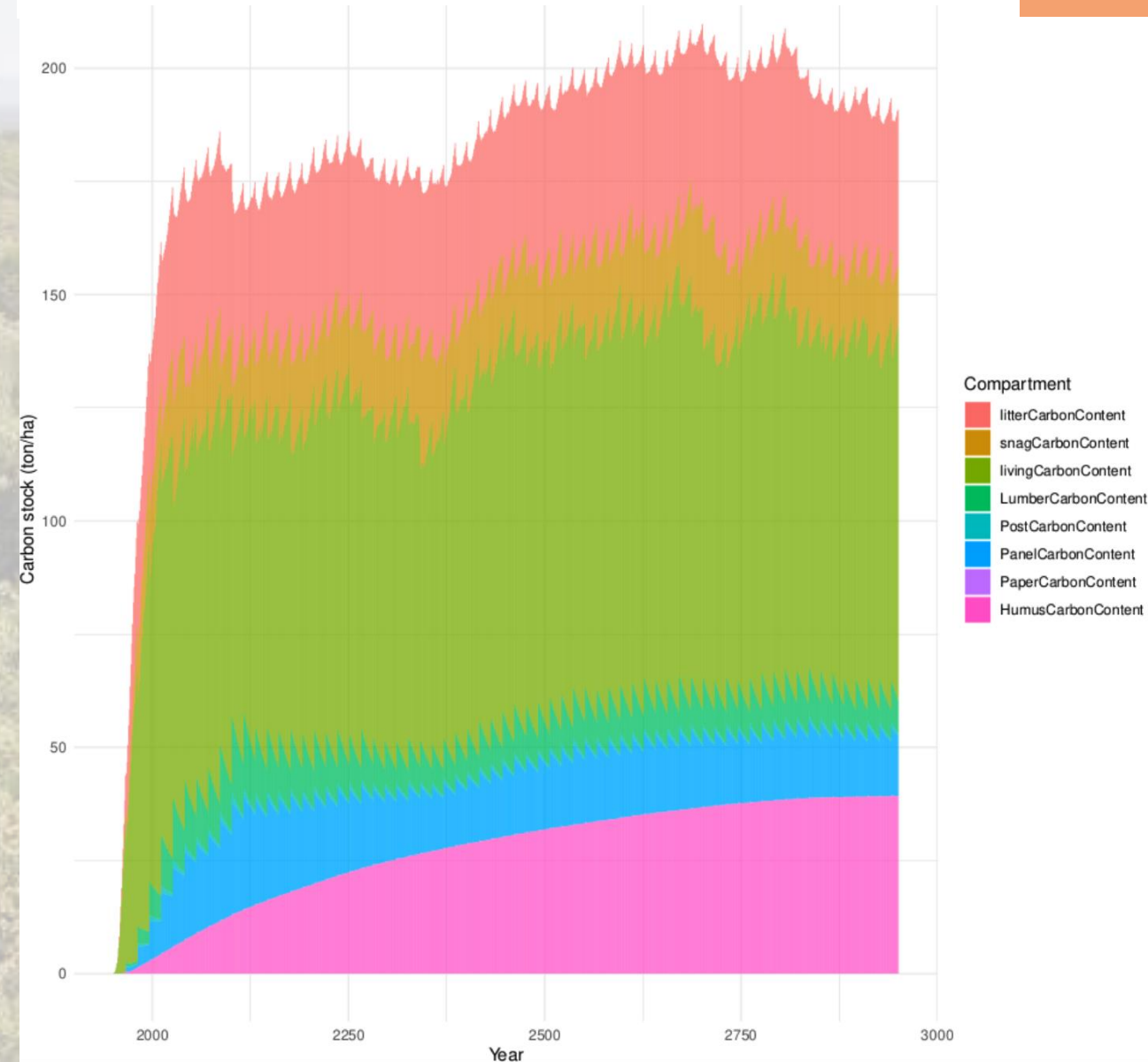
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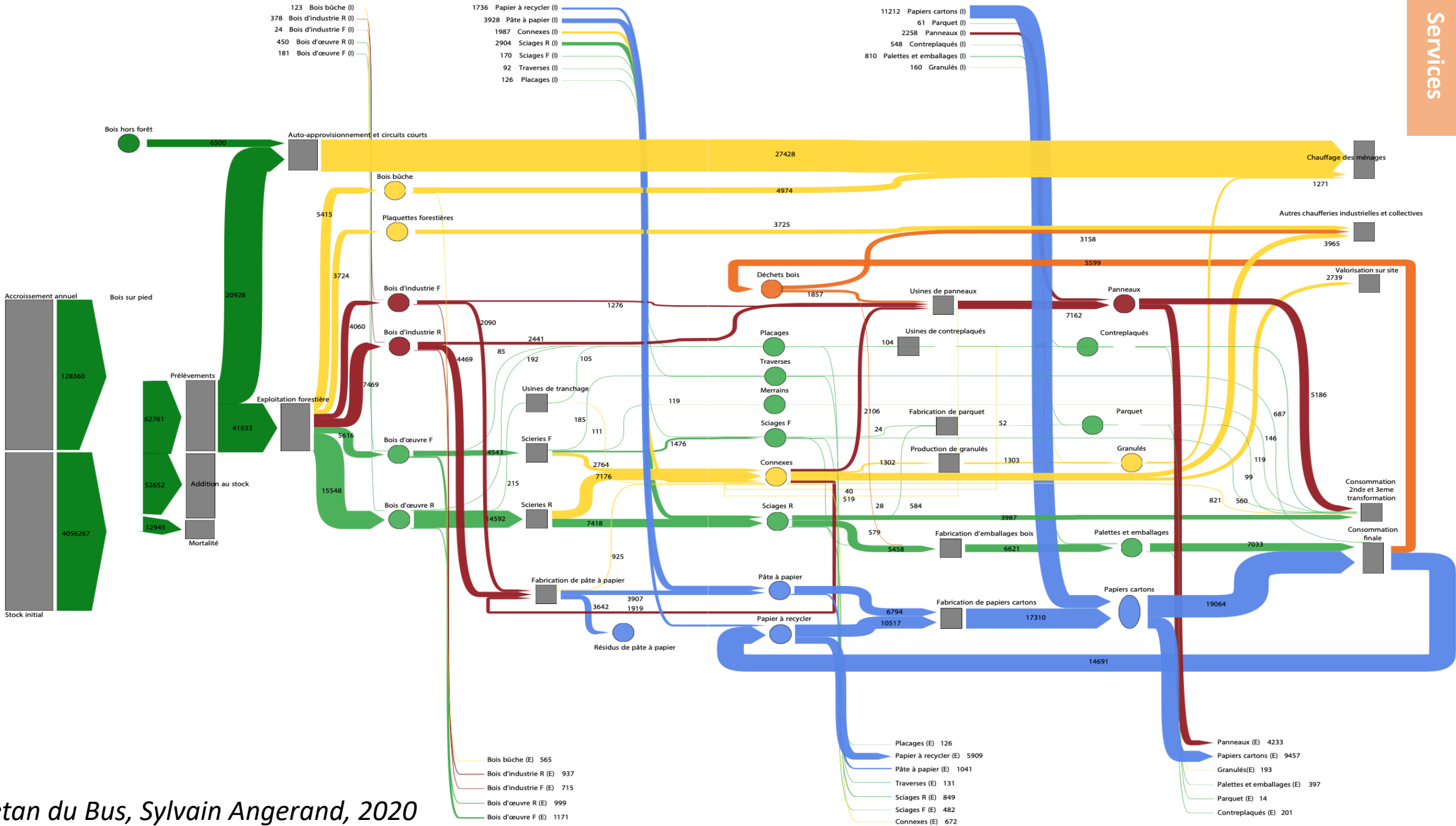
1. Allocation of logged wood ?
2. Lifespan of wood-based products ?
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4. Usage of logging residues ?

Gaëtan du Bus, 2020



Evolution of predicted sequestered carbon





WP3 : Plan de Simulation

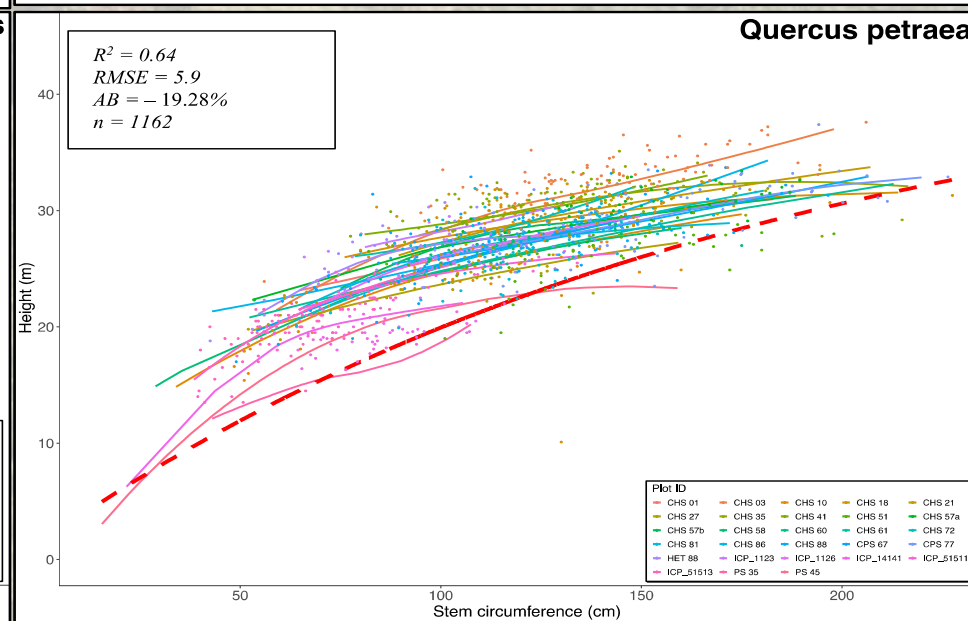
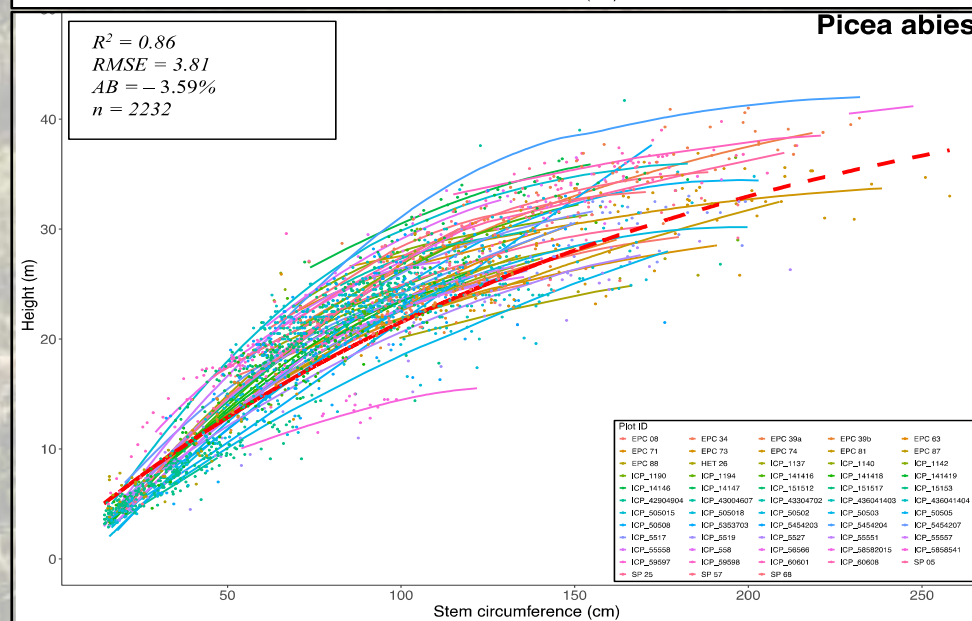
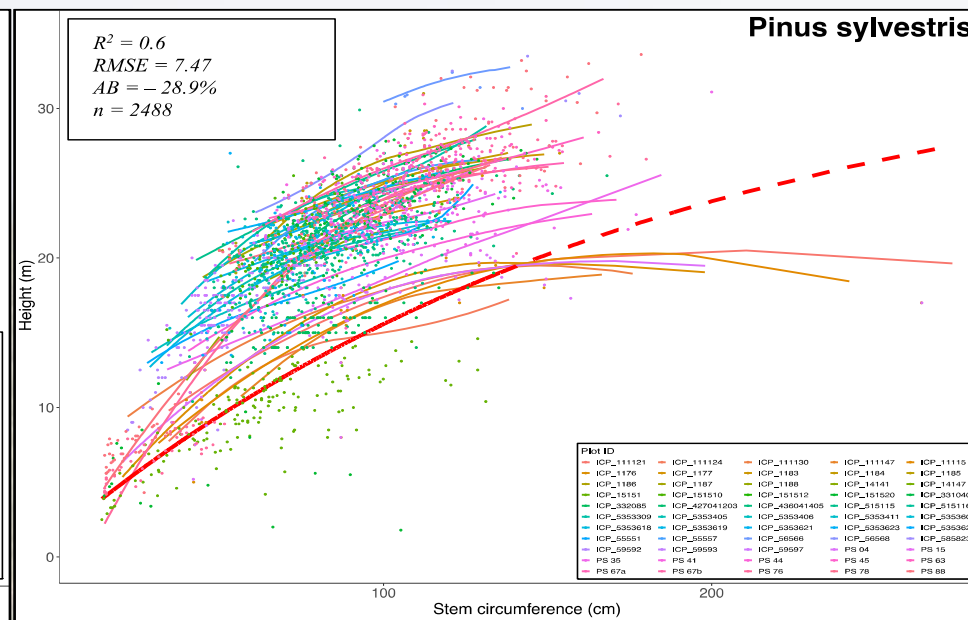
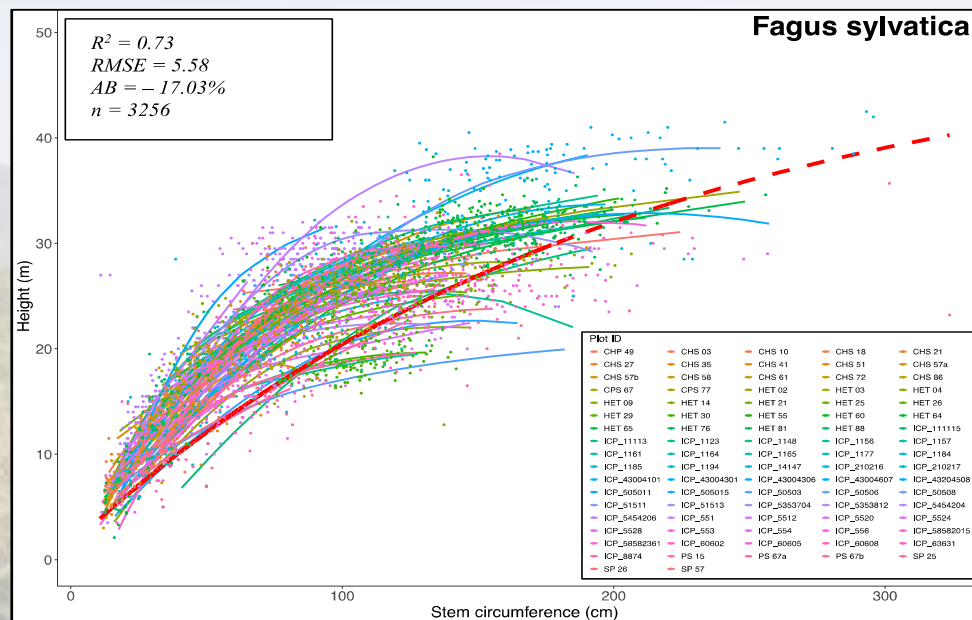
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- ❖ **Equilibre hydrologique**

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WP3 : Plan de Simulation



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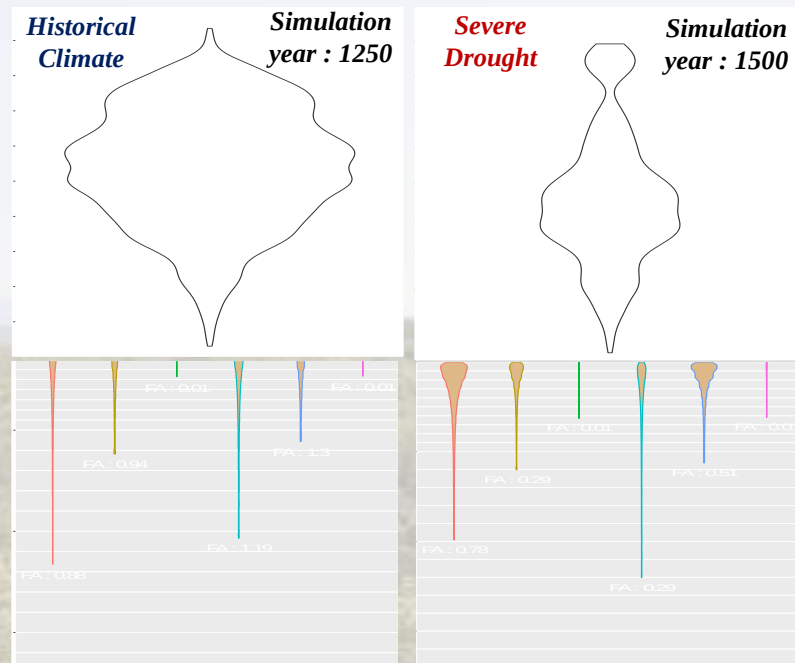
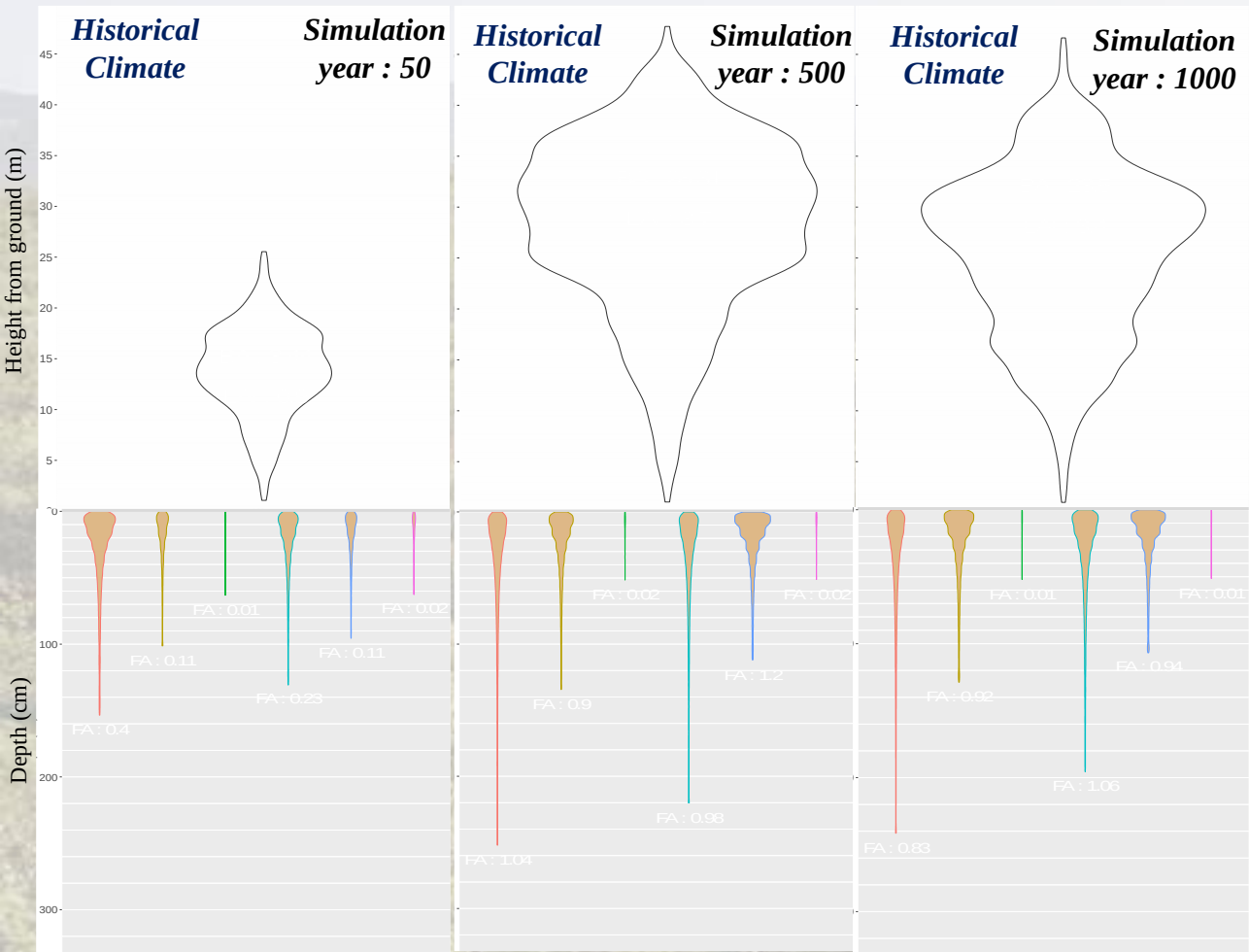
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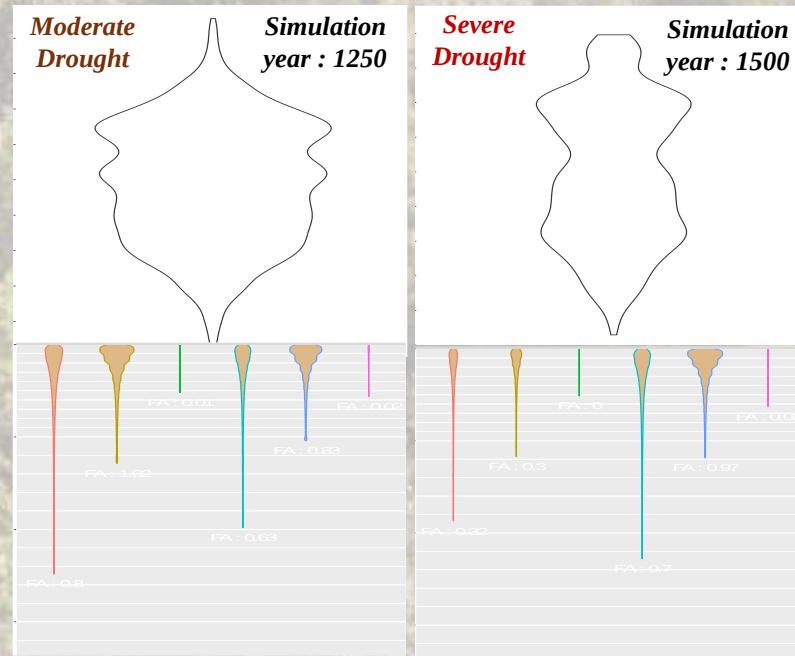
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Control scenario

Model



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Adaptation scenario

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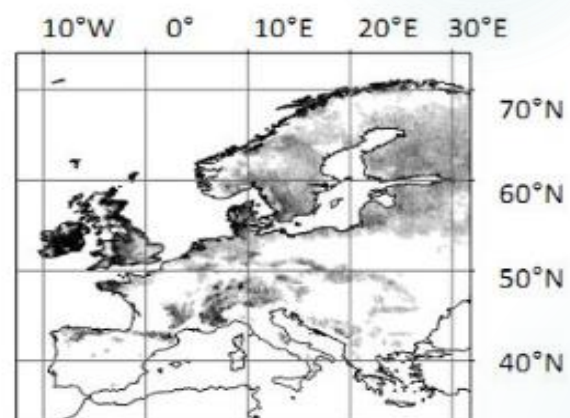
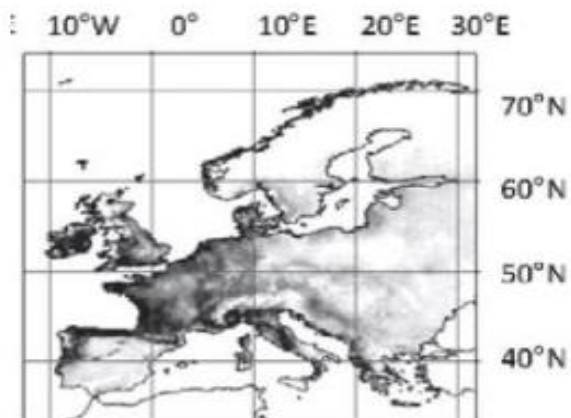
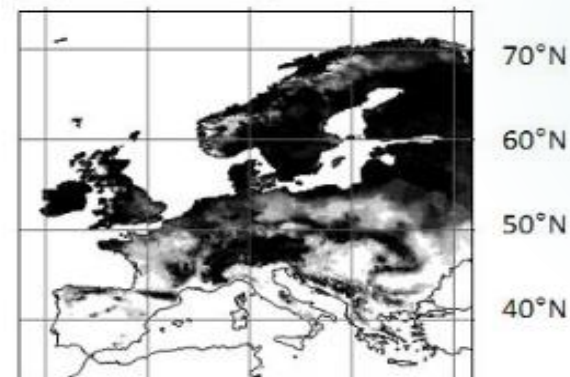
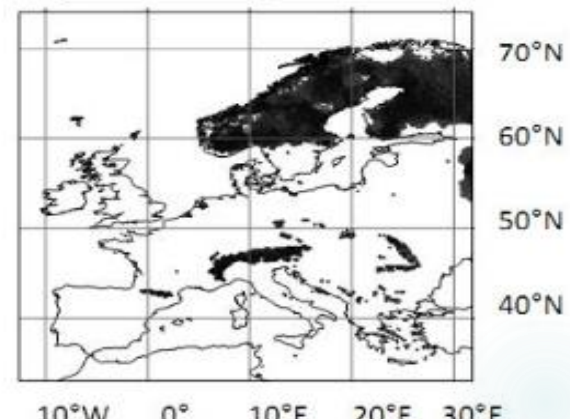
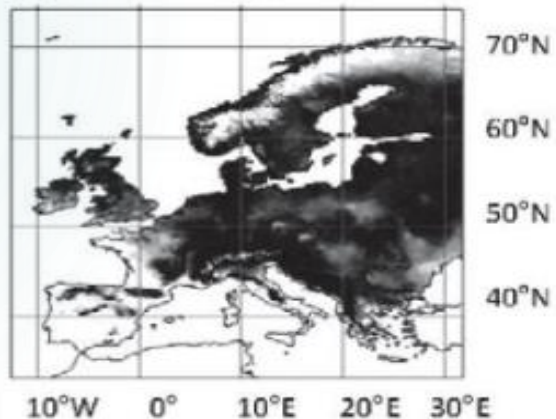
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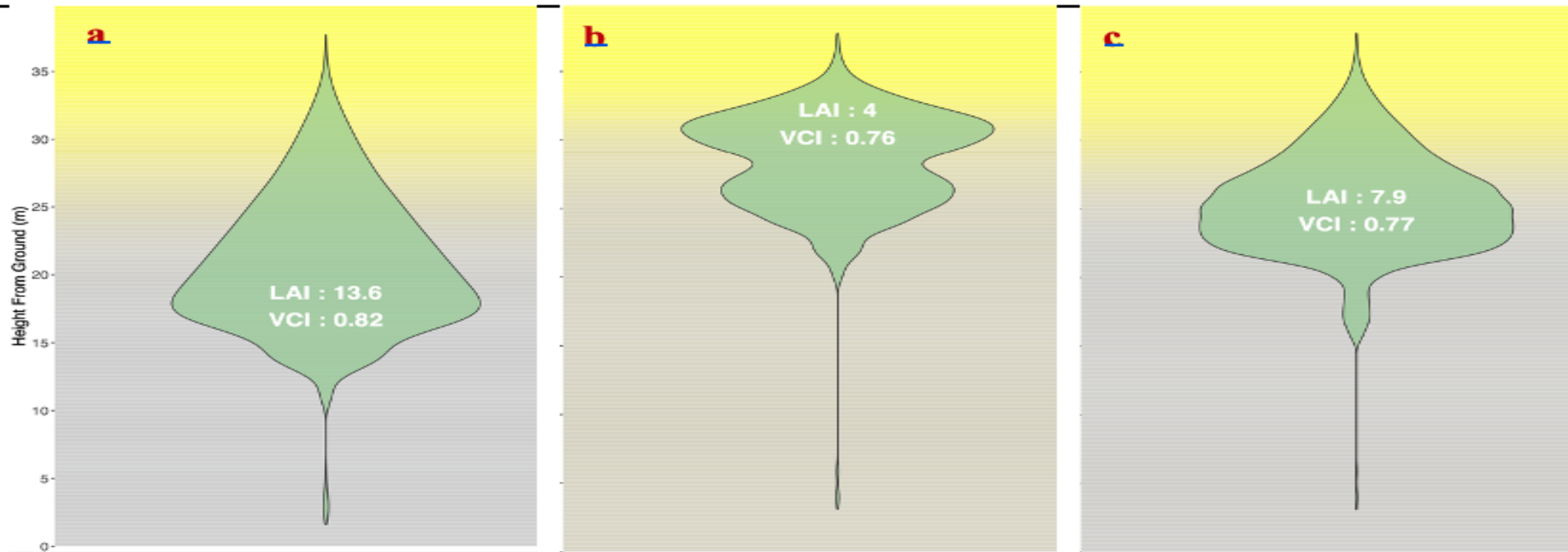
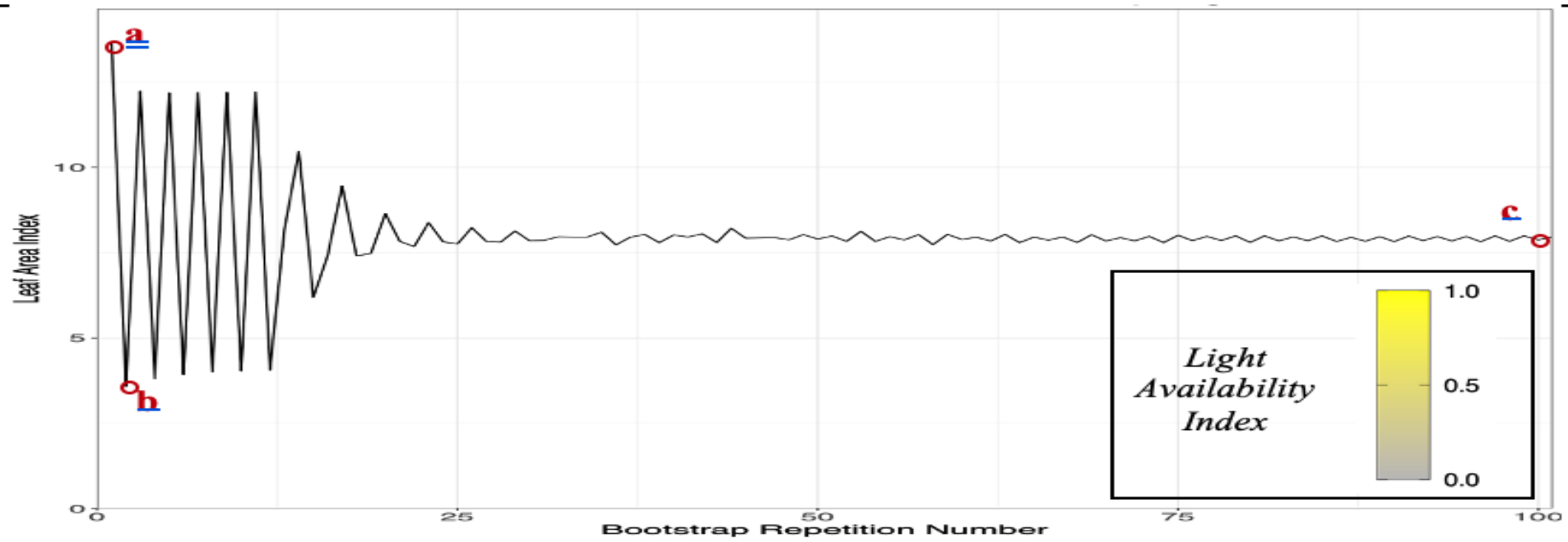
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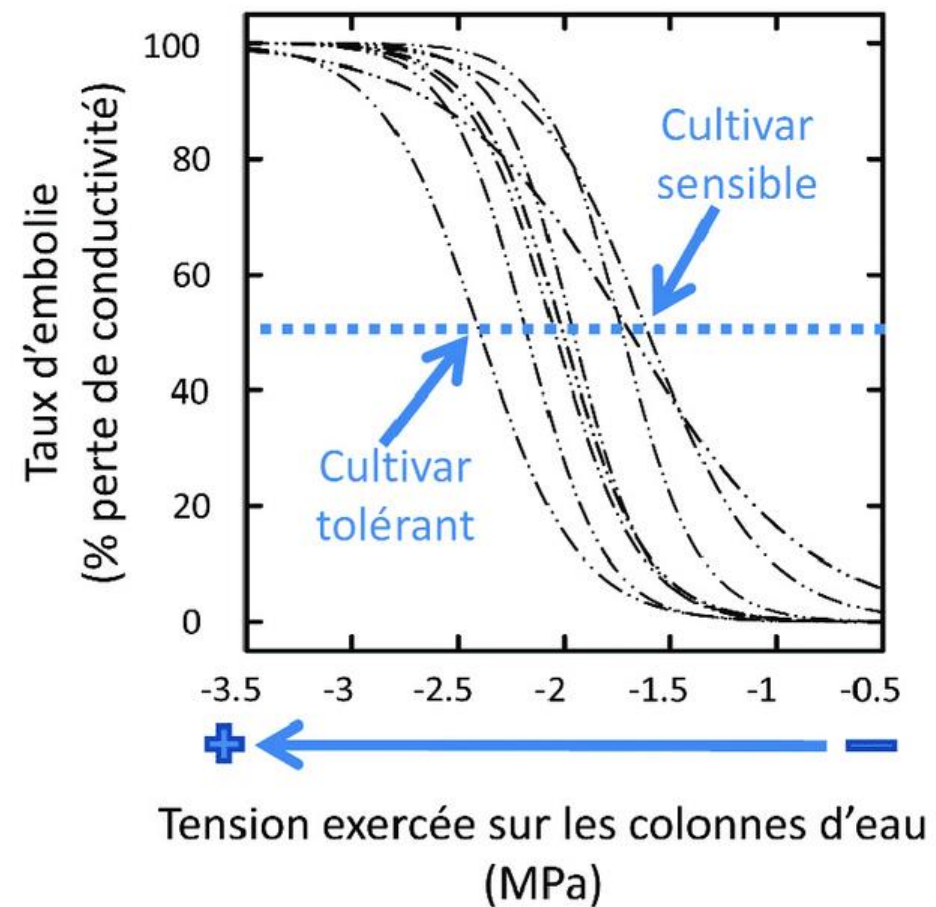
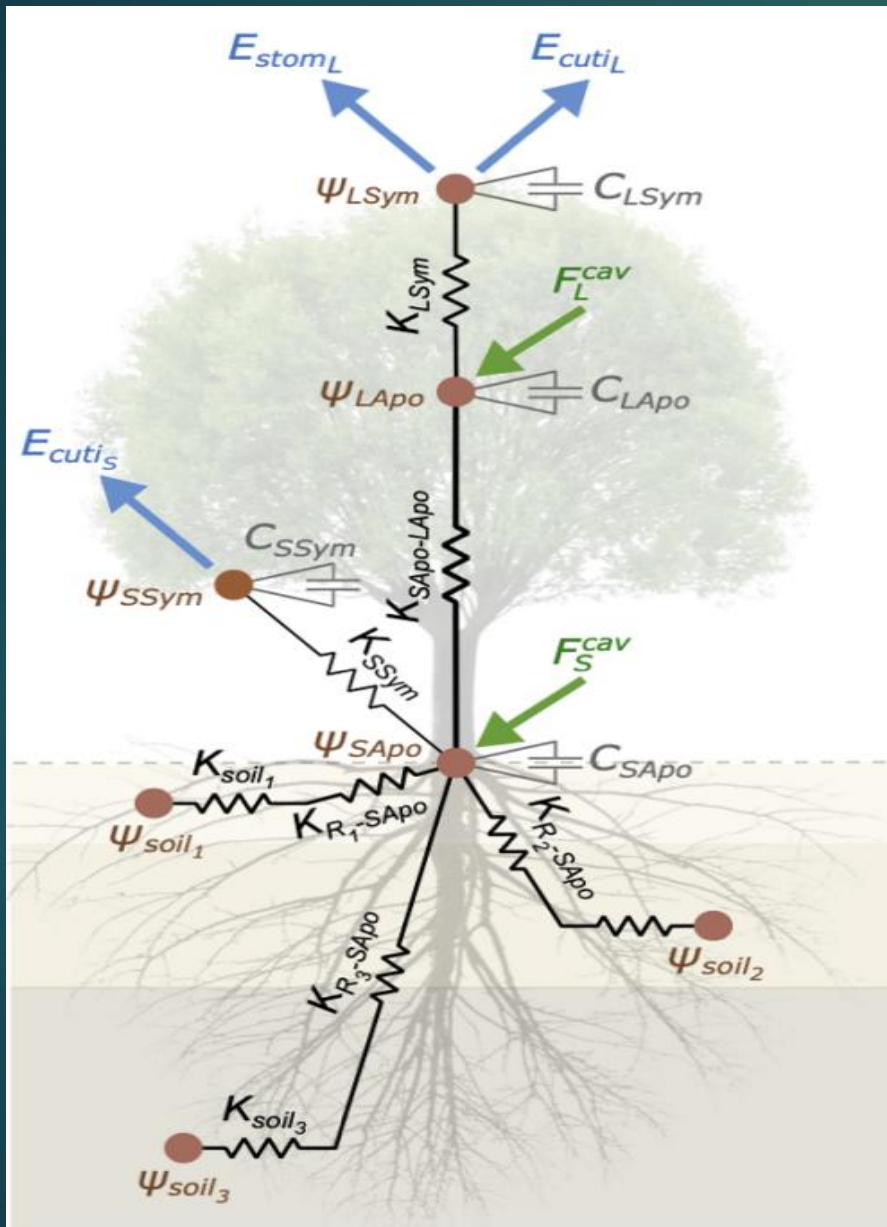
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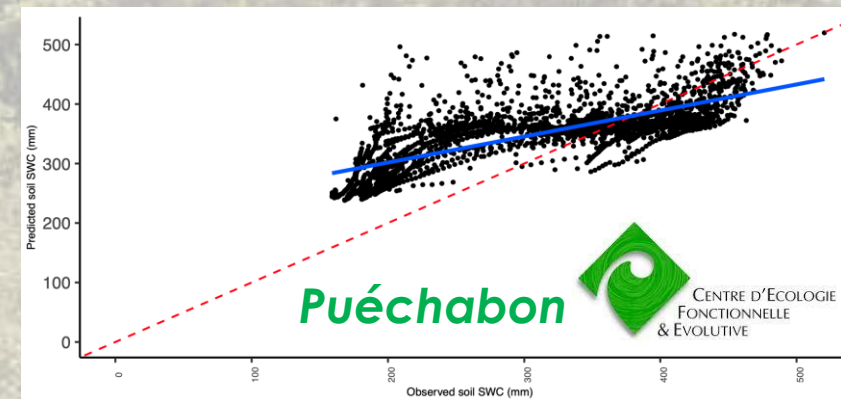
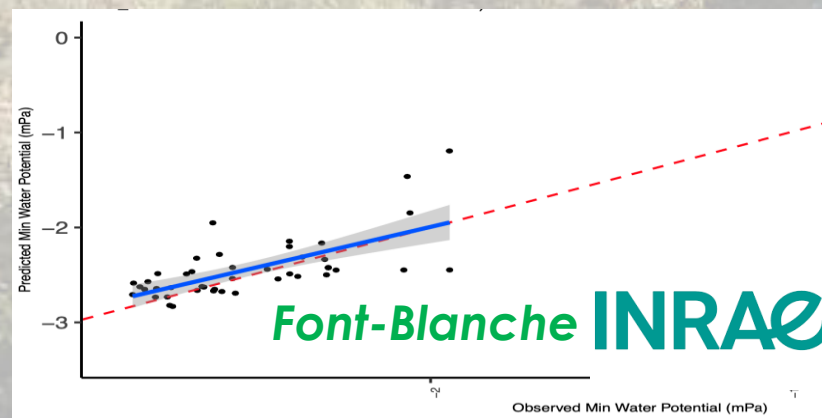
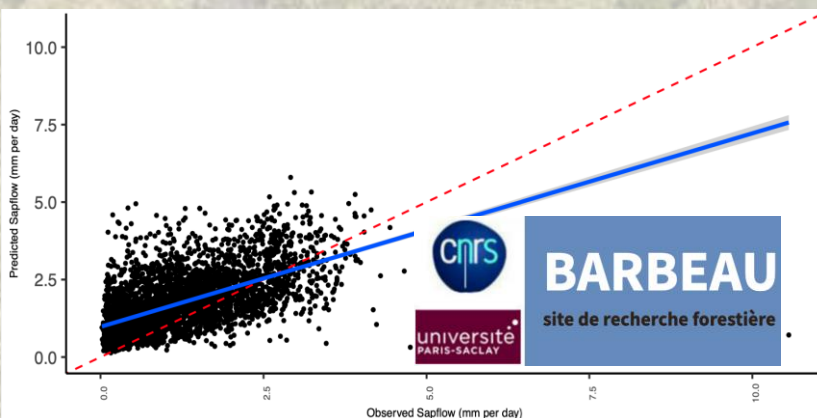
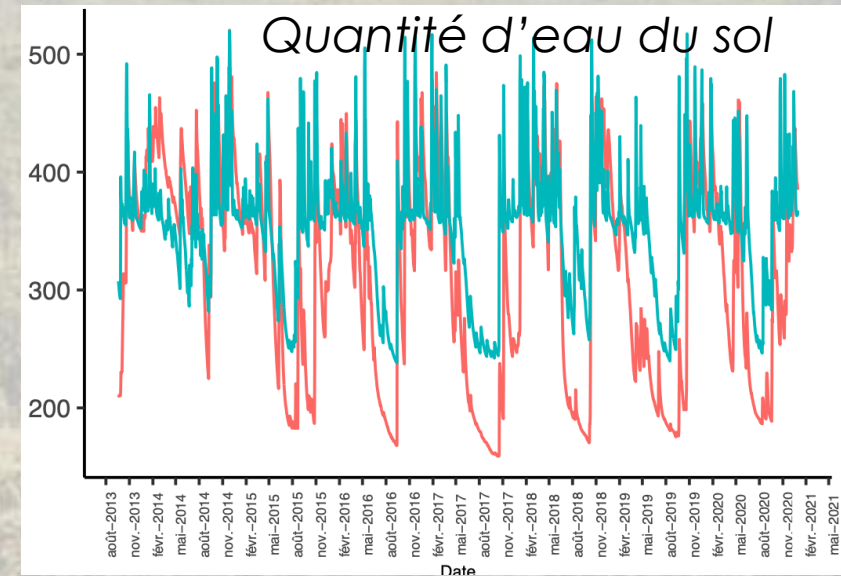
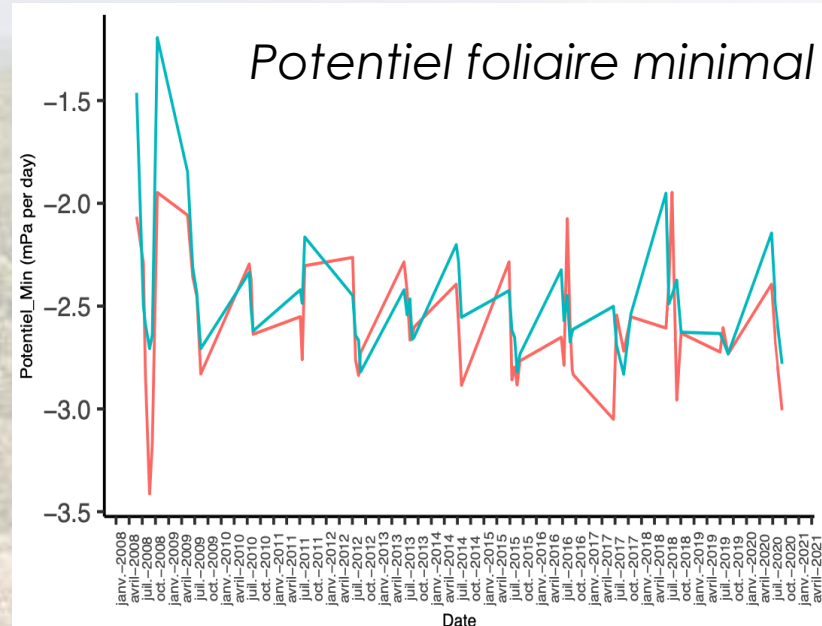
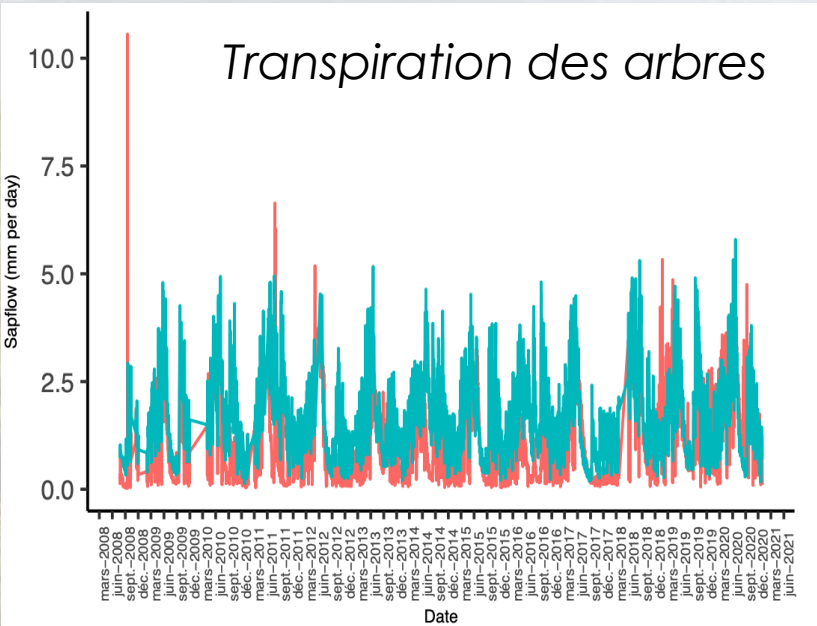
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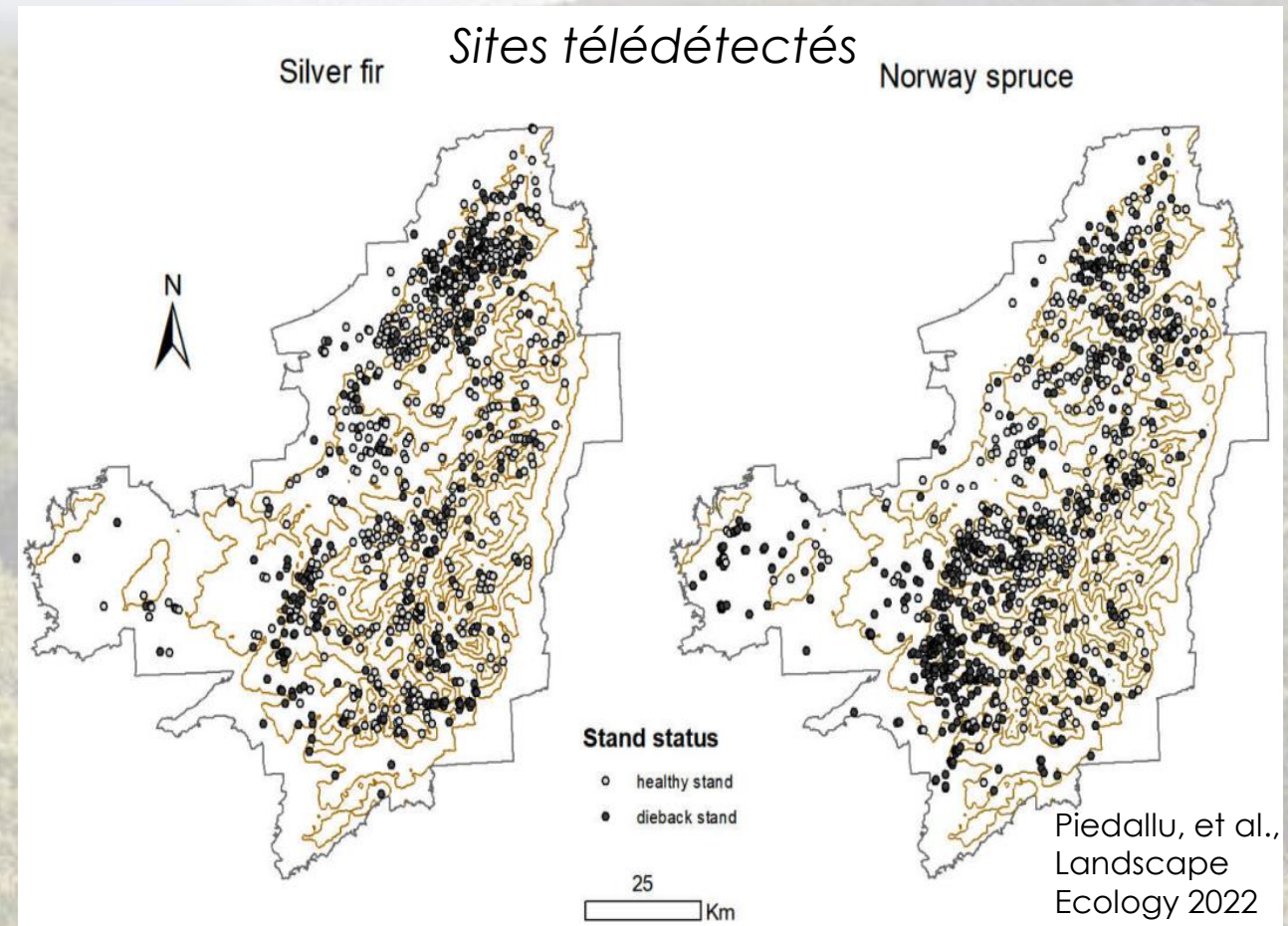
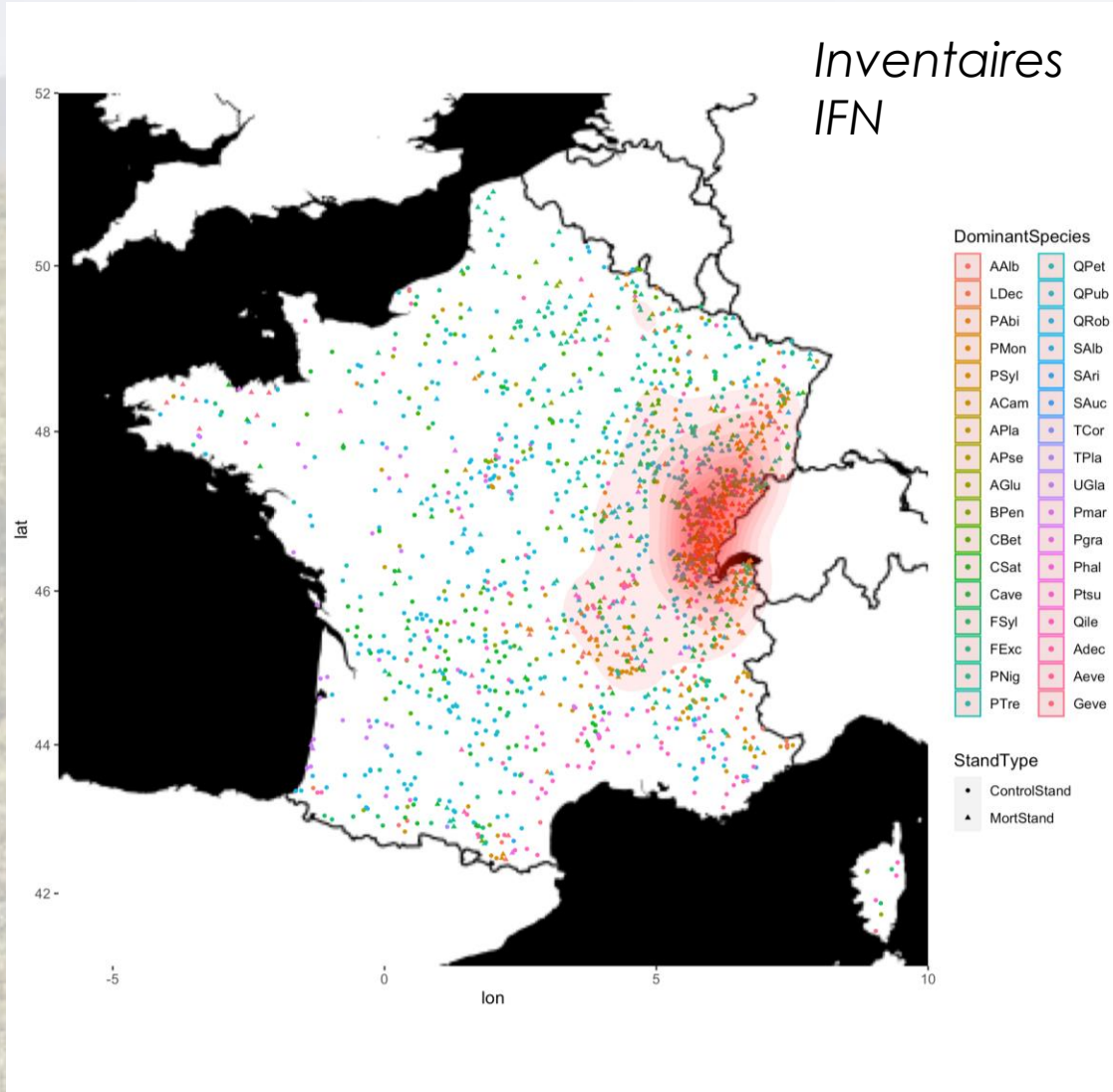
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Application :
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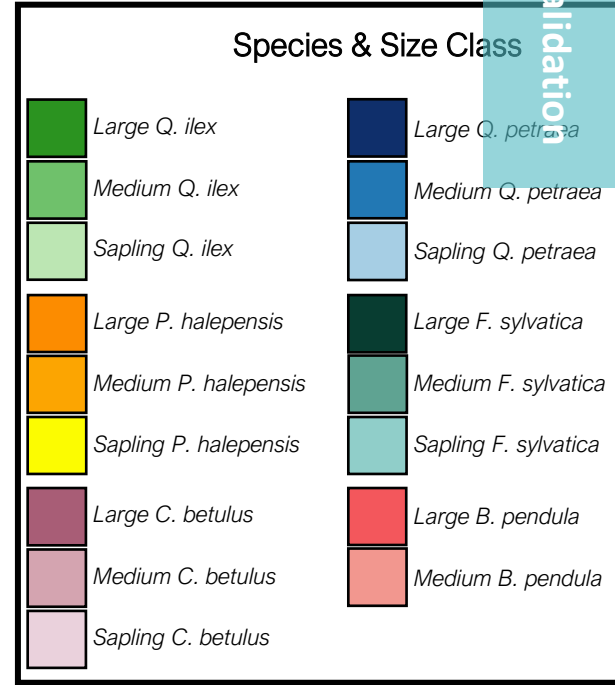
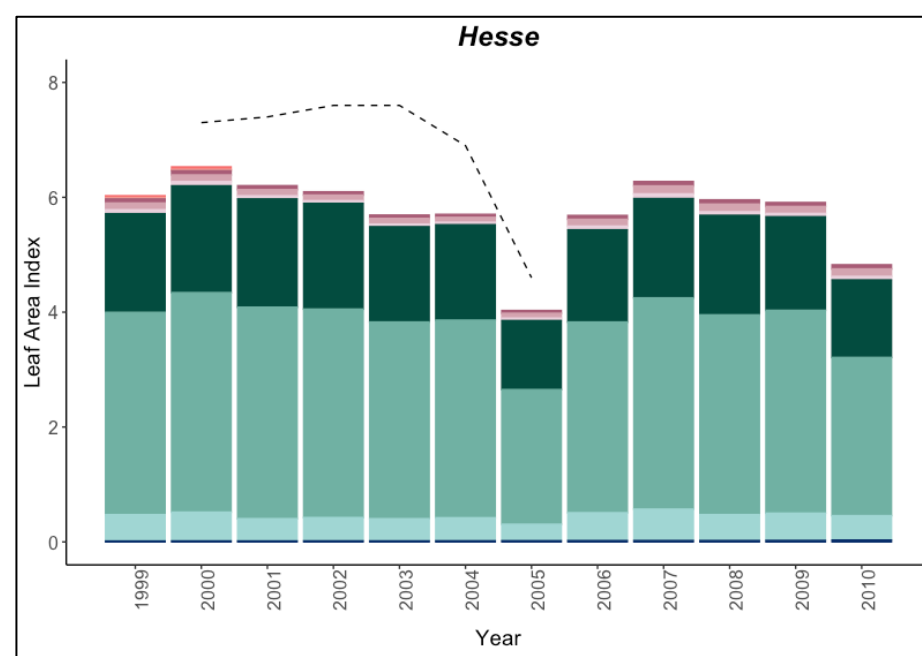
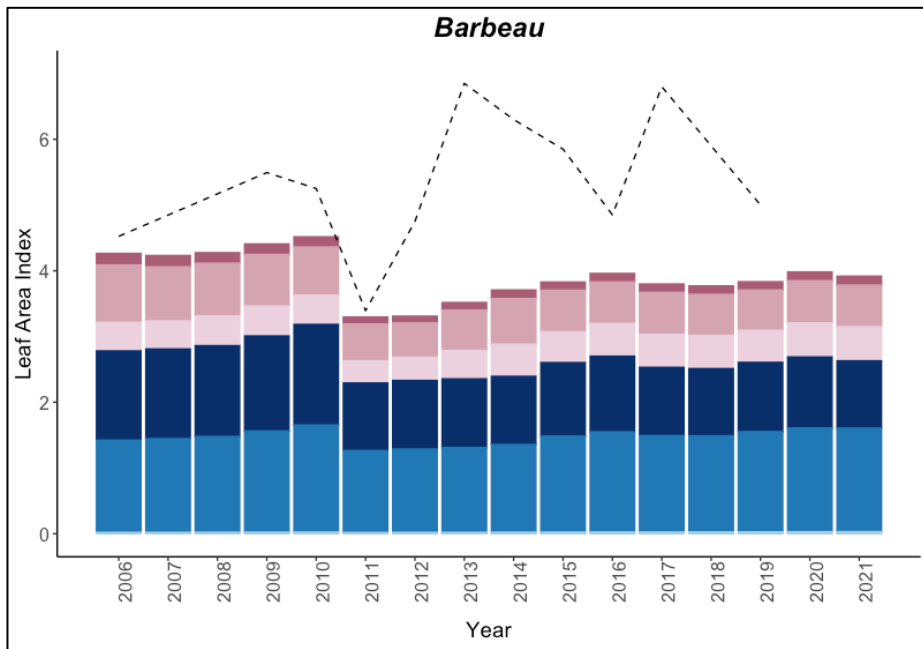
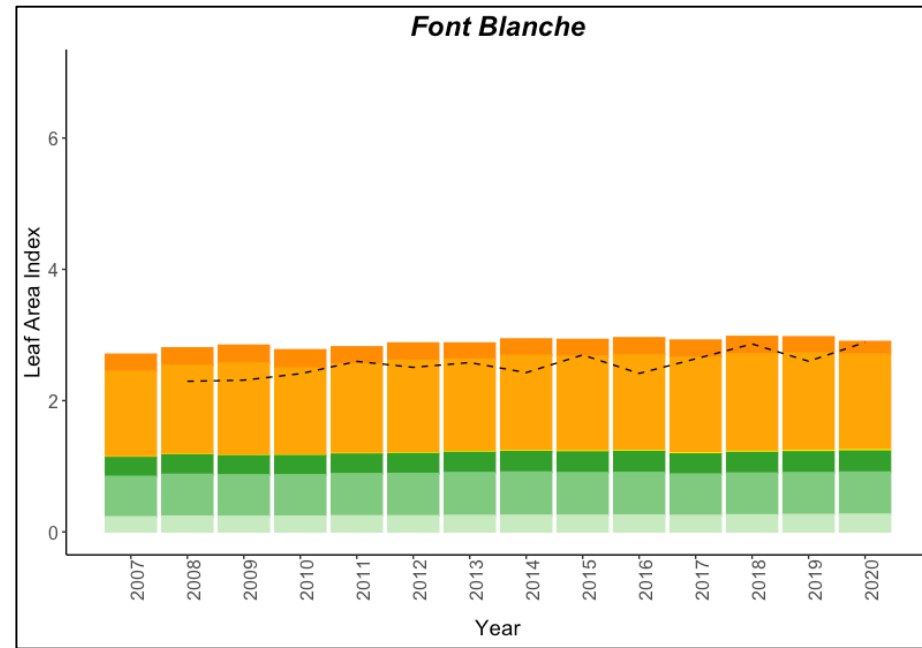
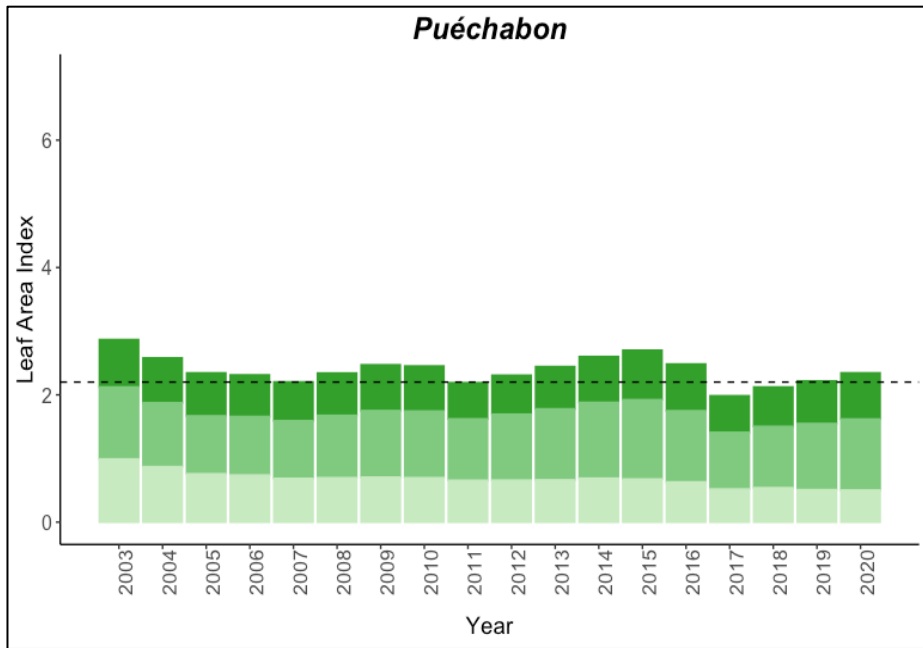
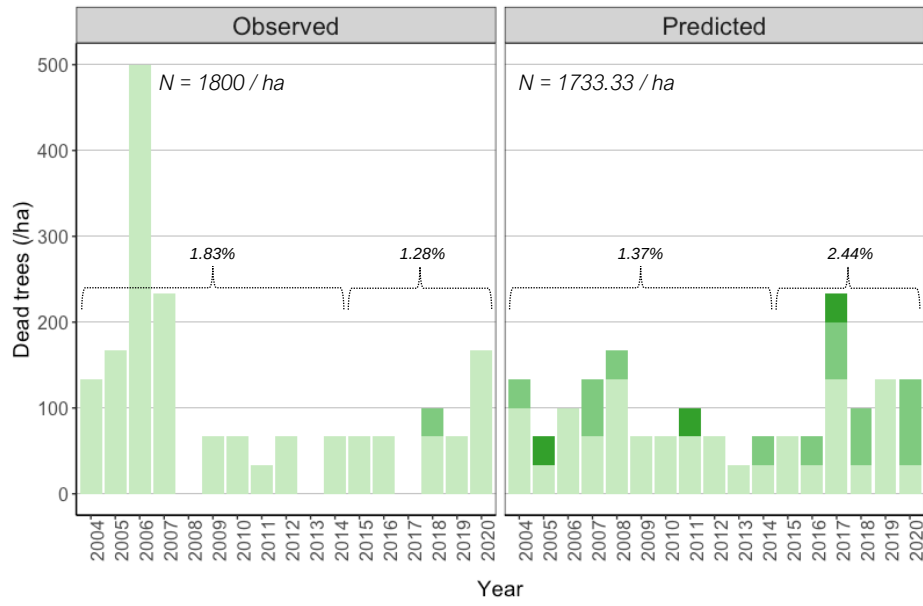


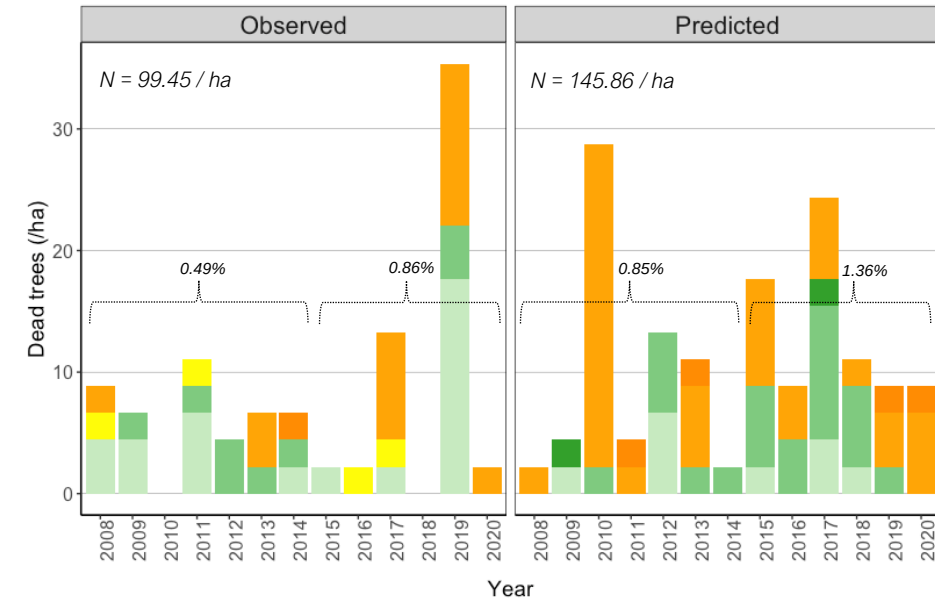
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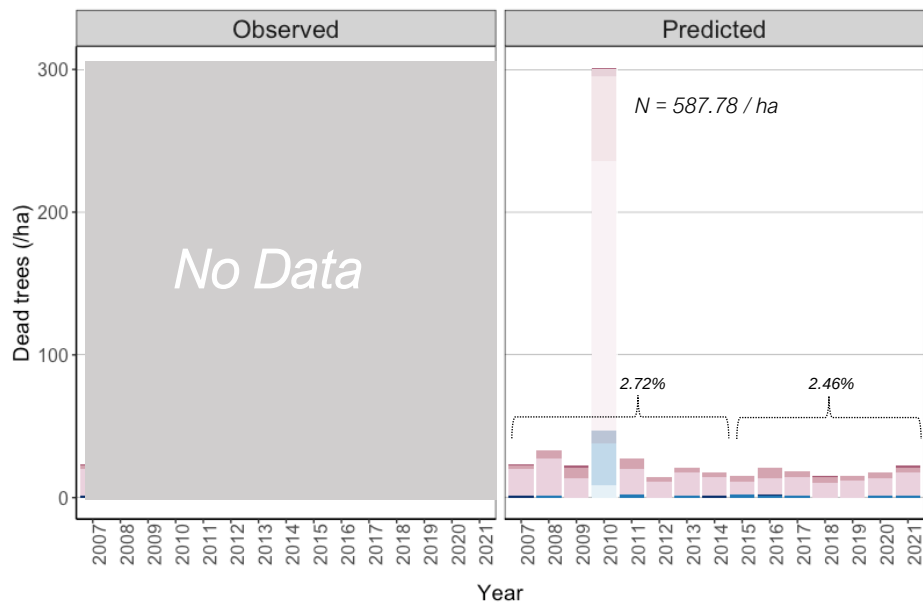
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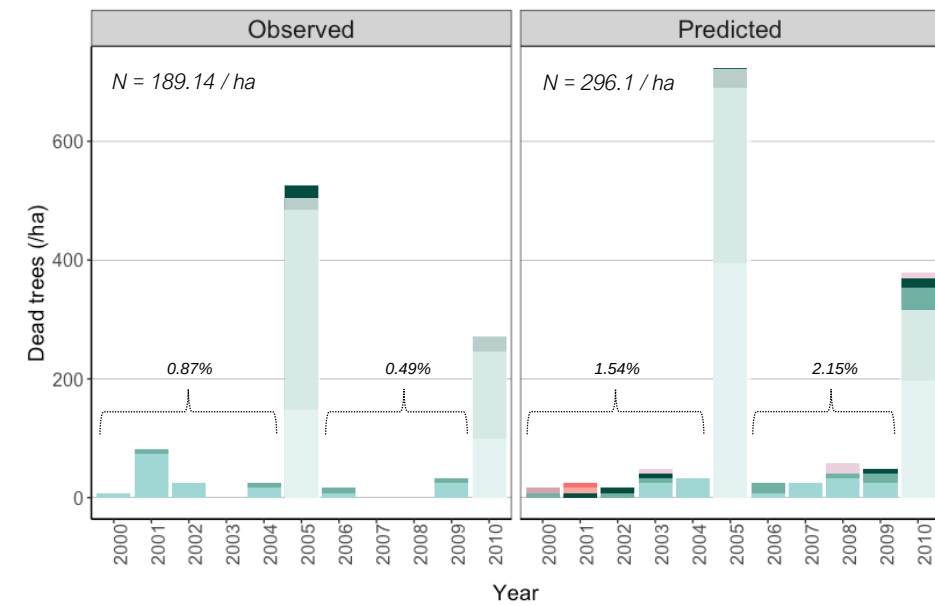
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Species & Size Class

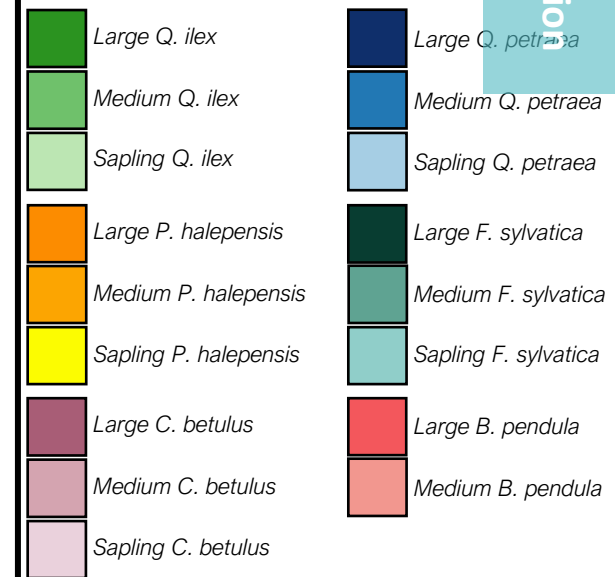


Fig. 3 | Predicted versus observed annual tree mortality. For each simulation site, the bars depict the total annual number of dead trees, irrespective of cause, broken down by species and size class contributions (refer to Annex X for details). Observed values are derived from stand inventories, while predicted values are generated by the PHOREAU model. Also shown are the annual mortality rates, calculated relative to the initial number of trees for two distinct time periods in each simulation, along with the total number of dead trees by hectare. Transparent bars indicate years with thinnings (see Annex X for details), which are excluded from the mortality statistics.

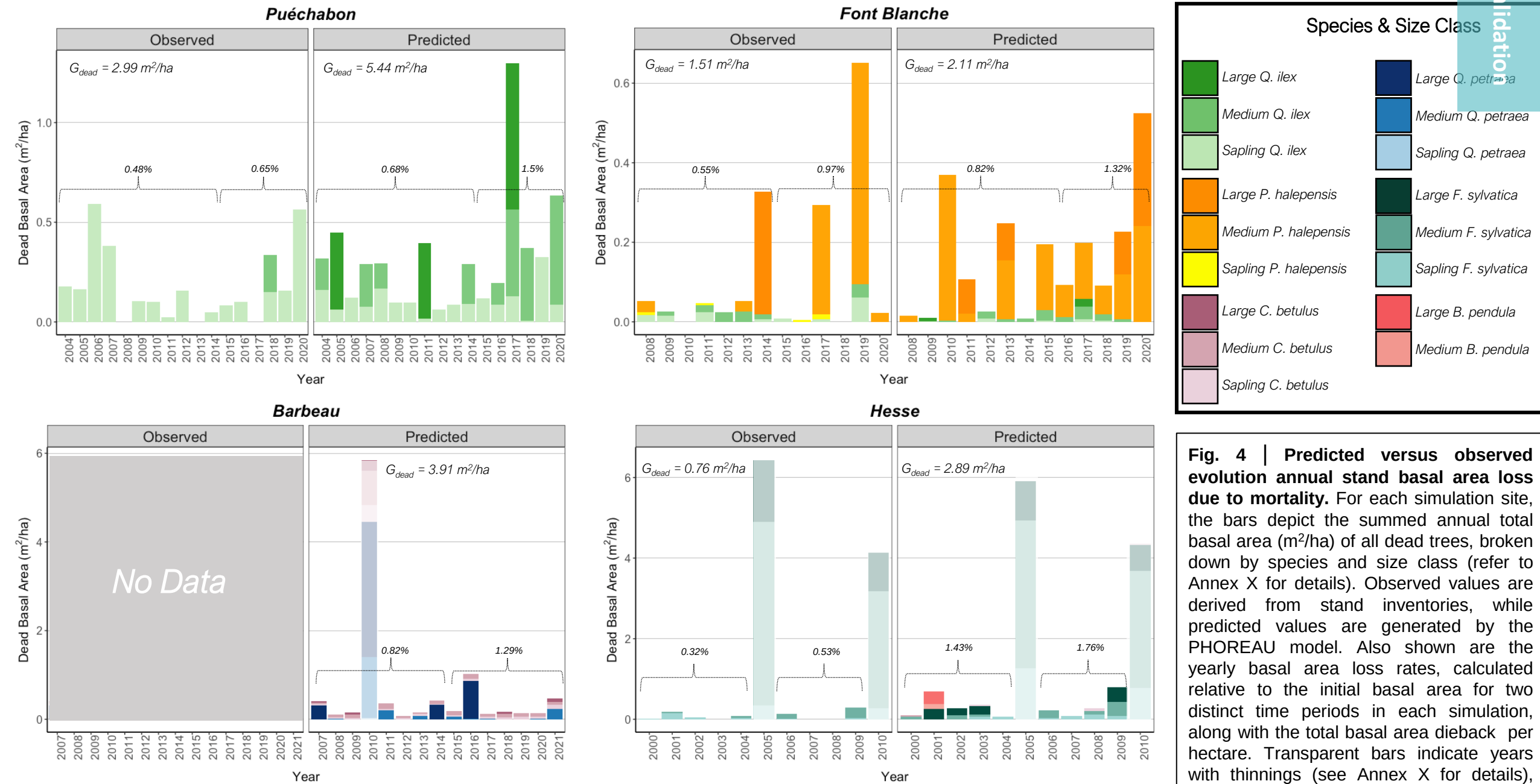
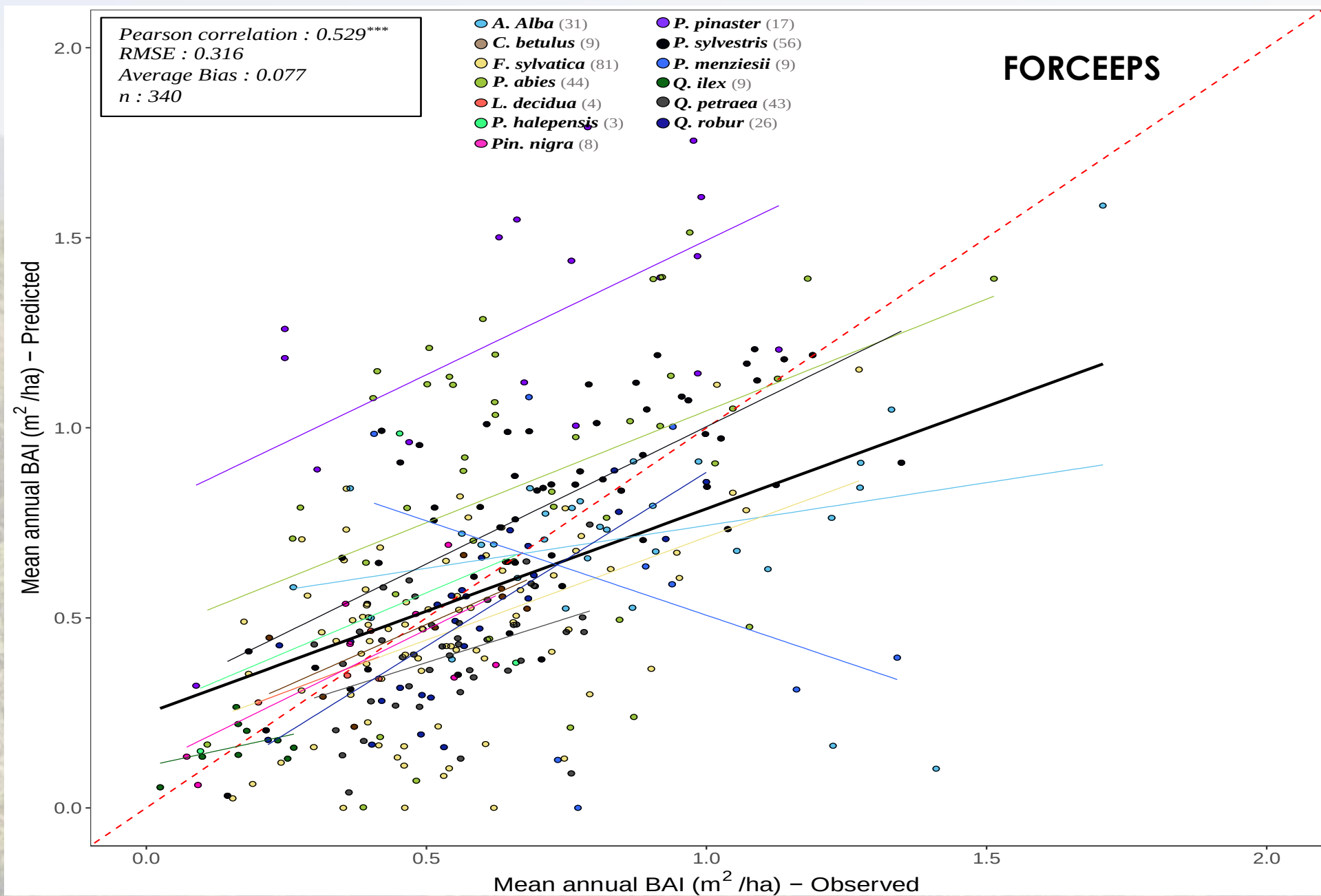


Fig. 4 | Predicted versus observed evolution annual stand basal area loss due to mortality. For each simulation site, the bars depict the summed annual total basal area (m^2/ha) of all dead trees, broken down by species and size class (refer to Annex X for details). Observed values are derived from stand inventories, while predicted values are generated by the PHOREAU model. Also shown are the yearly basal area loss rates, calculated relative to the initial basal area for two distinct time periods in each simulation, along with the total basal area dieback per hectare. Transparent bars indicate years with thinnings (see Annex X for details), which are excluded from the the mortality statistics.

Productivity Validation



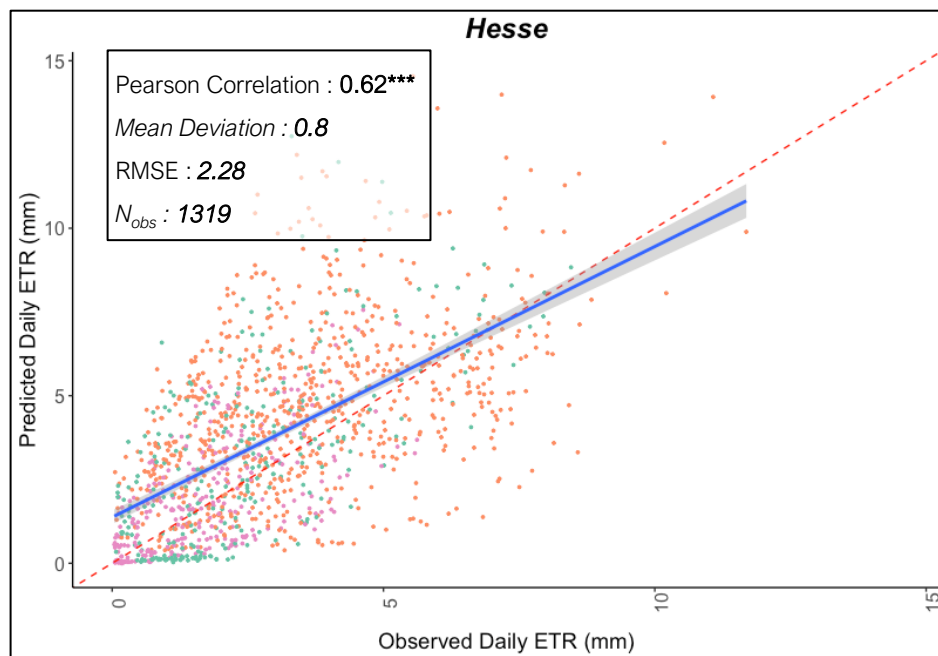
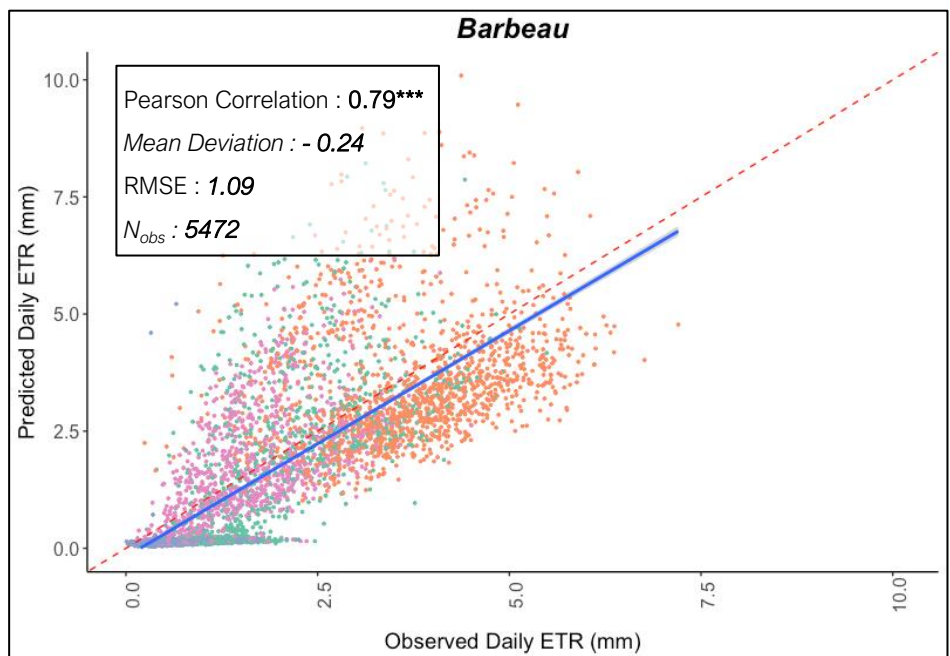
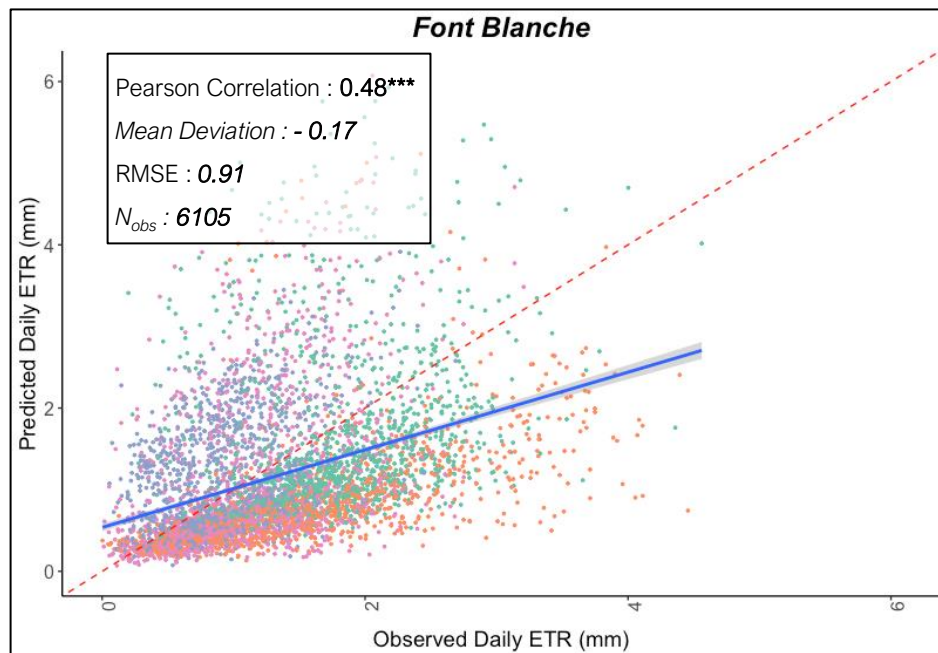
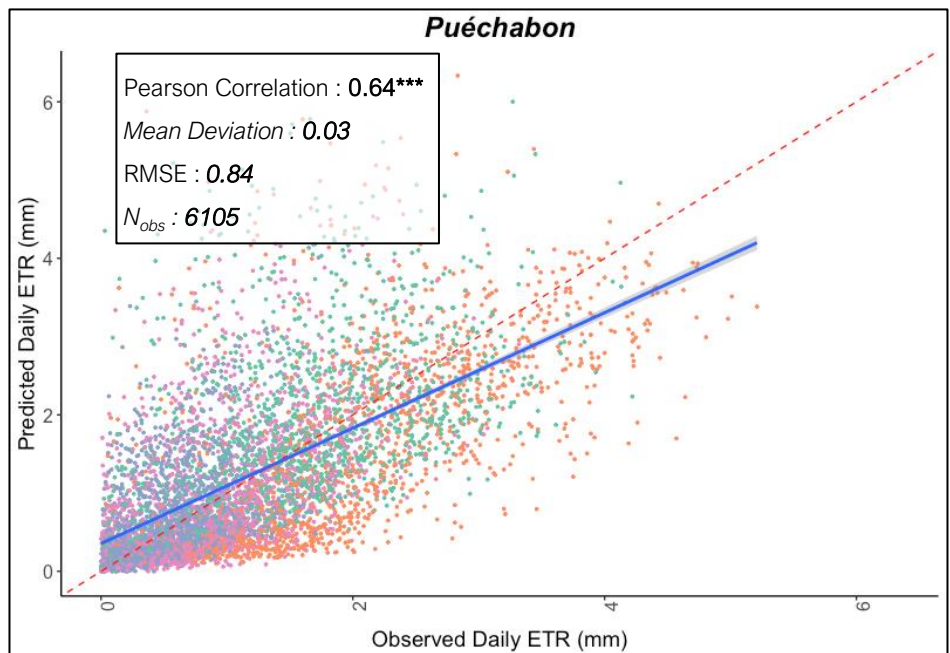


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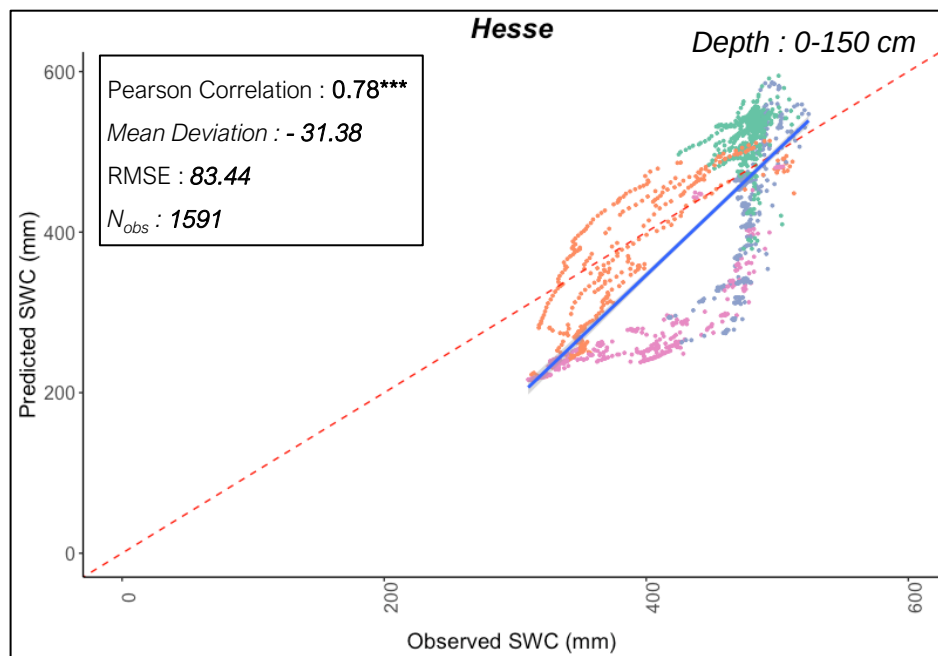
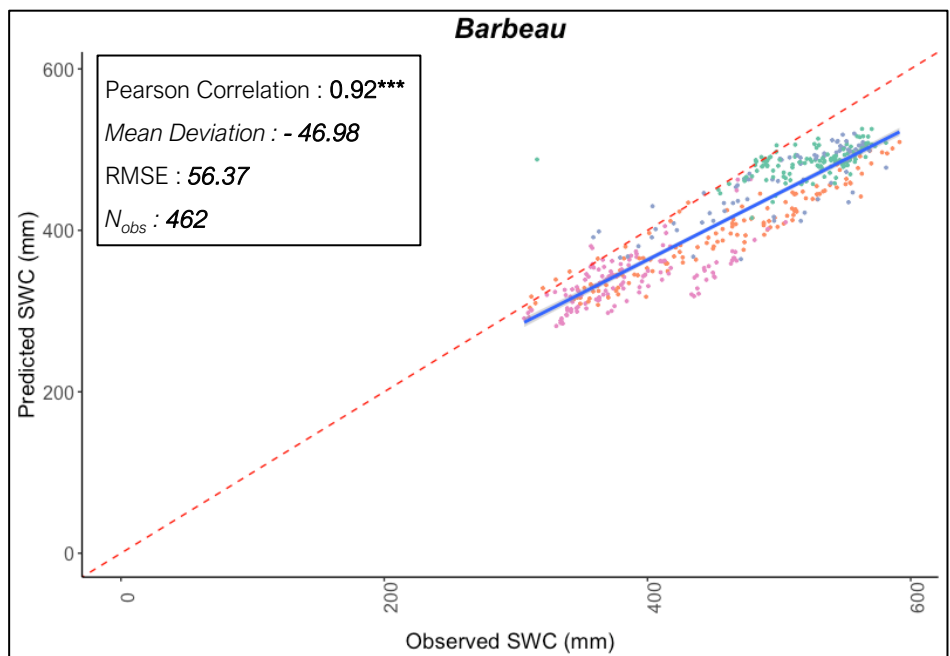
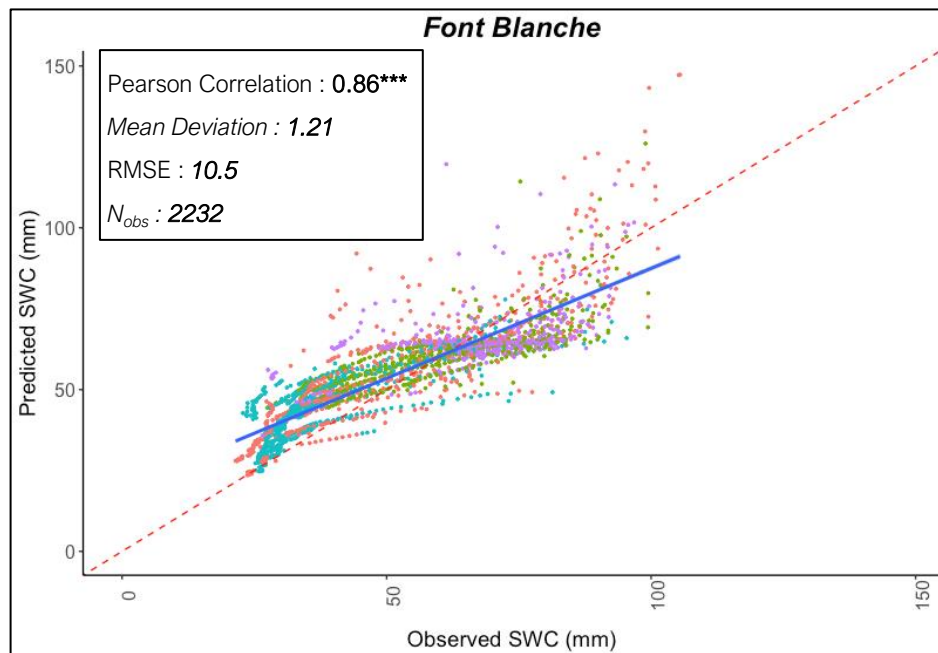
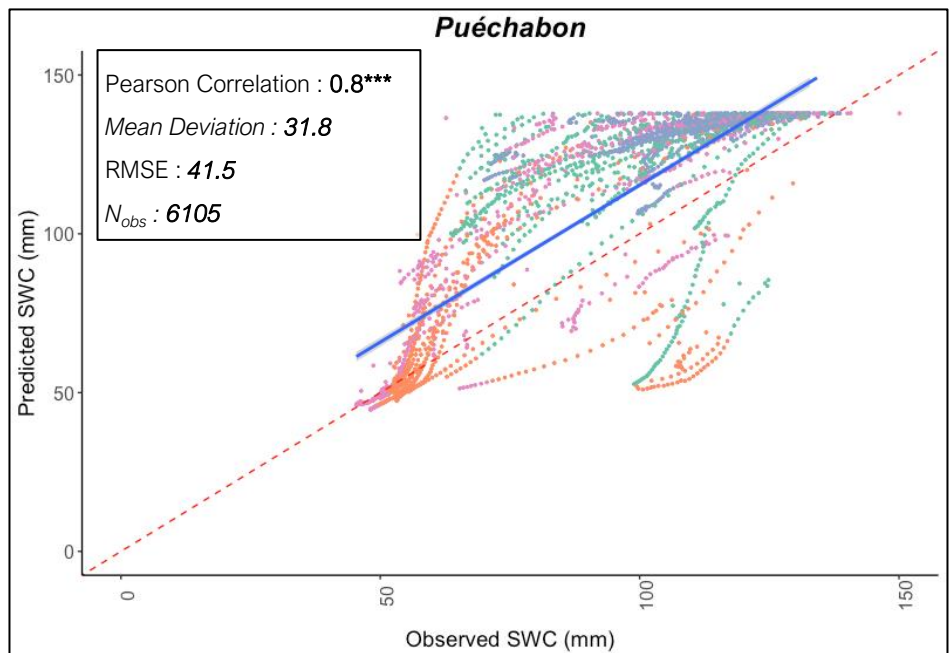


Fig. 11 | Predicted versus observed soil water quantity (SWC). For each simulation site, the plain blue line is the regression line of the linear model of the relationship between observed and predicted SWC, with confidence interval represented with the grey dashed lines; the dashed red line is the 1:1 line. See Annex X for definition of associated statistics. Colour code for the seasons as follows :
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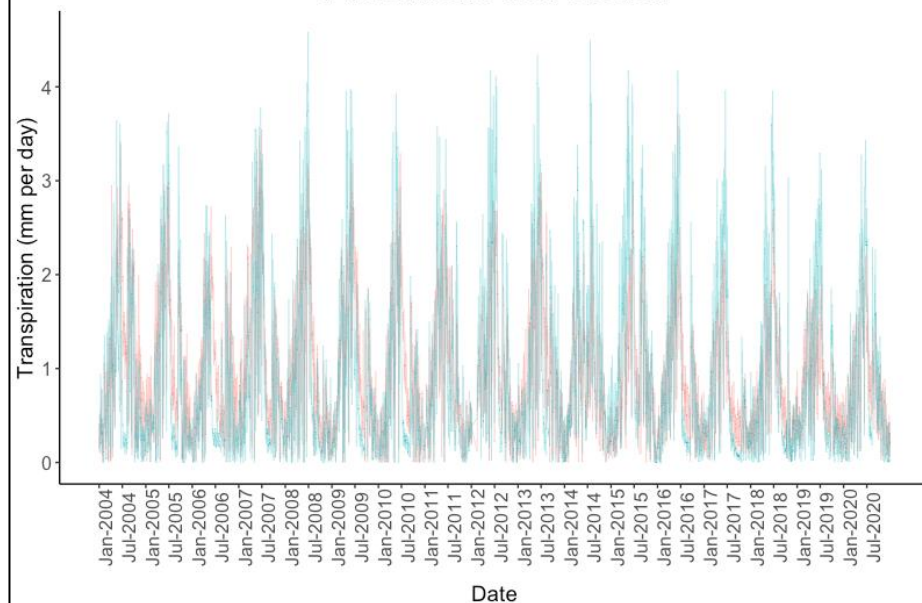
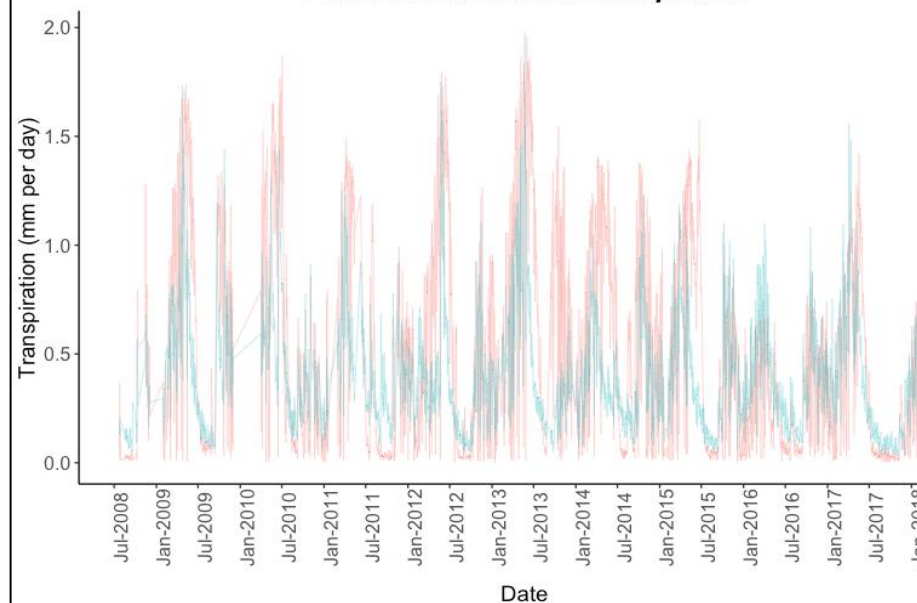
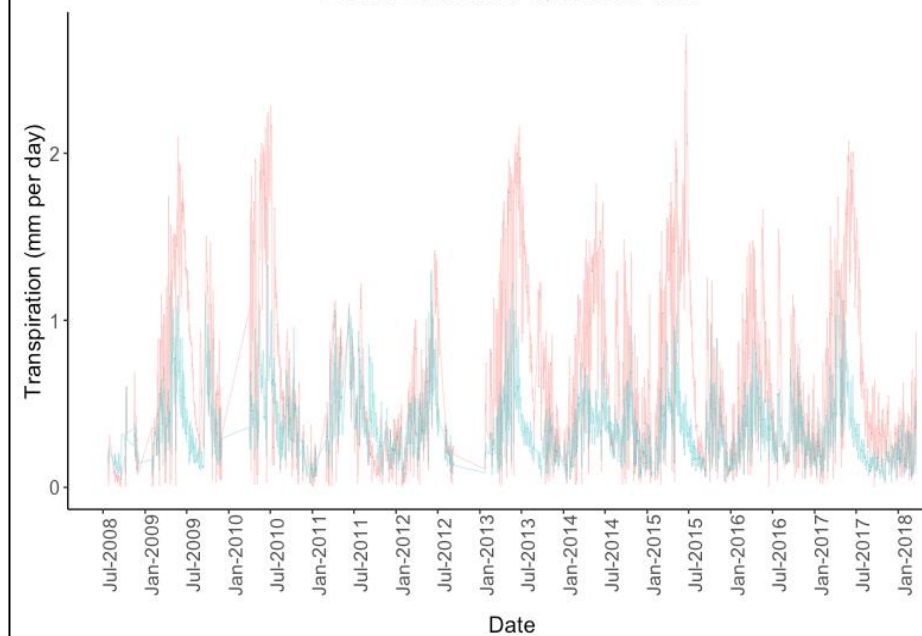
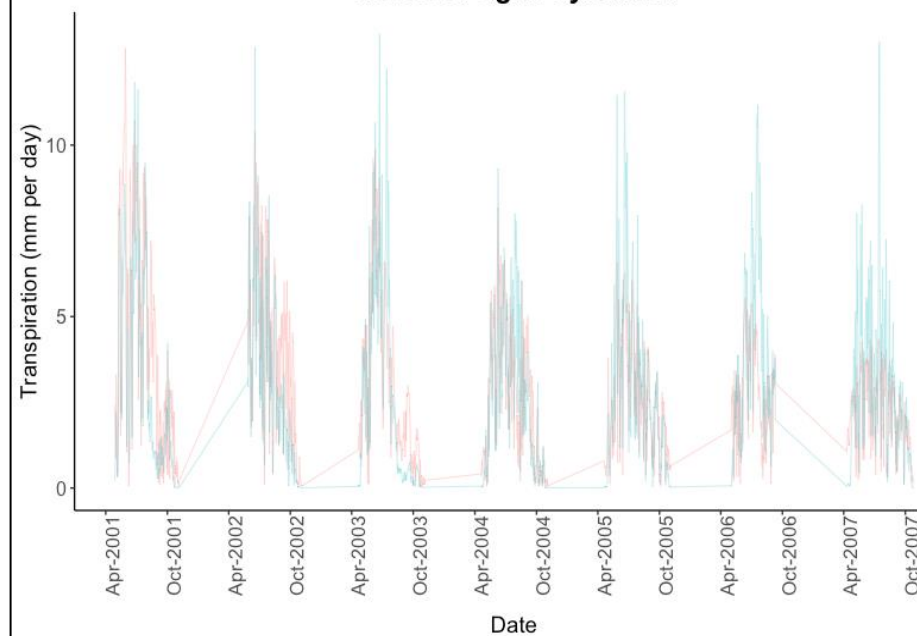
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Fig. 12 | Predicted versus observed evolution of aggregate daily species transpiration. For each simulation site, the blue line depicts the aggregated daily transpiration (mm) generated by PHOREAU from all the trees of the given species. The red line depicts the observed daily transpiration value for this species, upscaled from individual sapflow measurements.

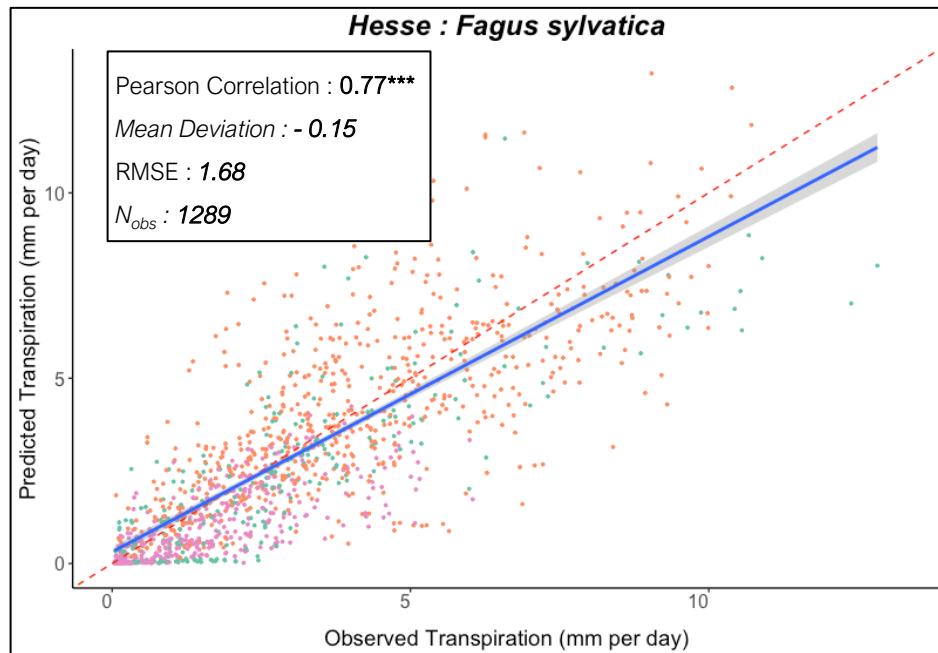
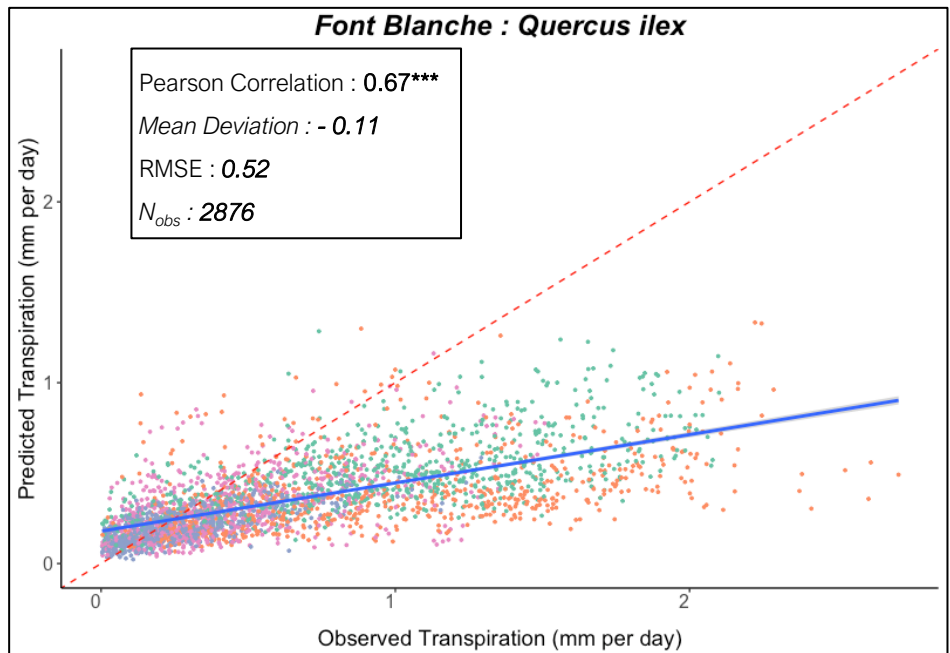
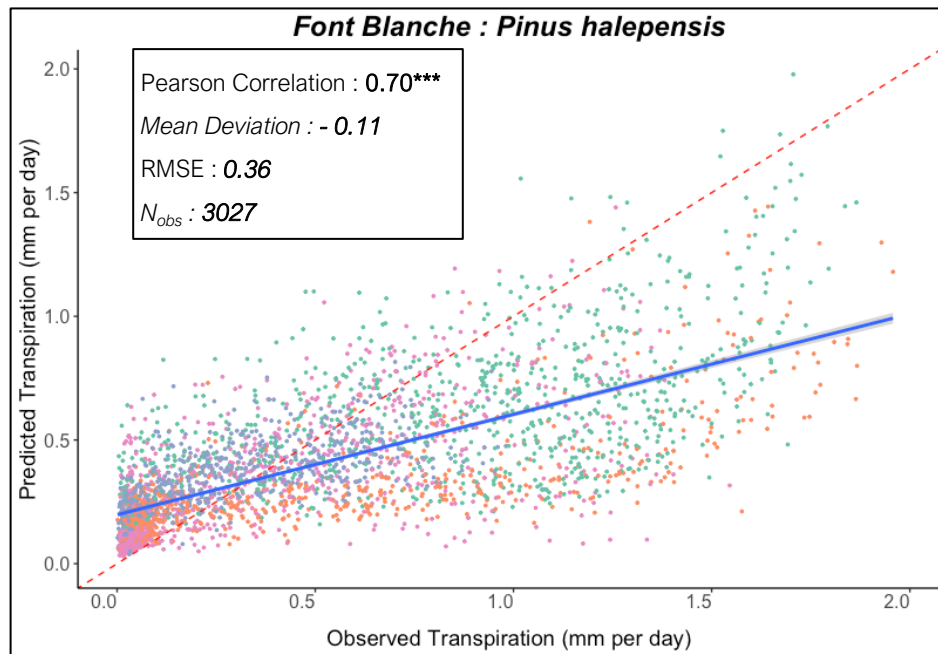
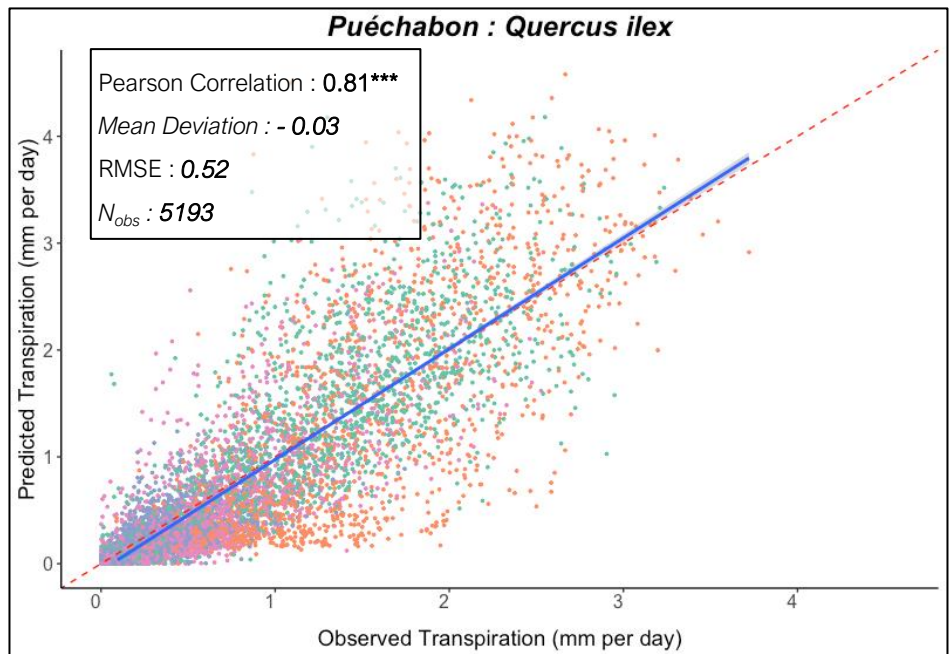
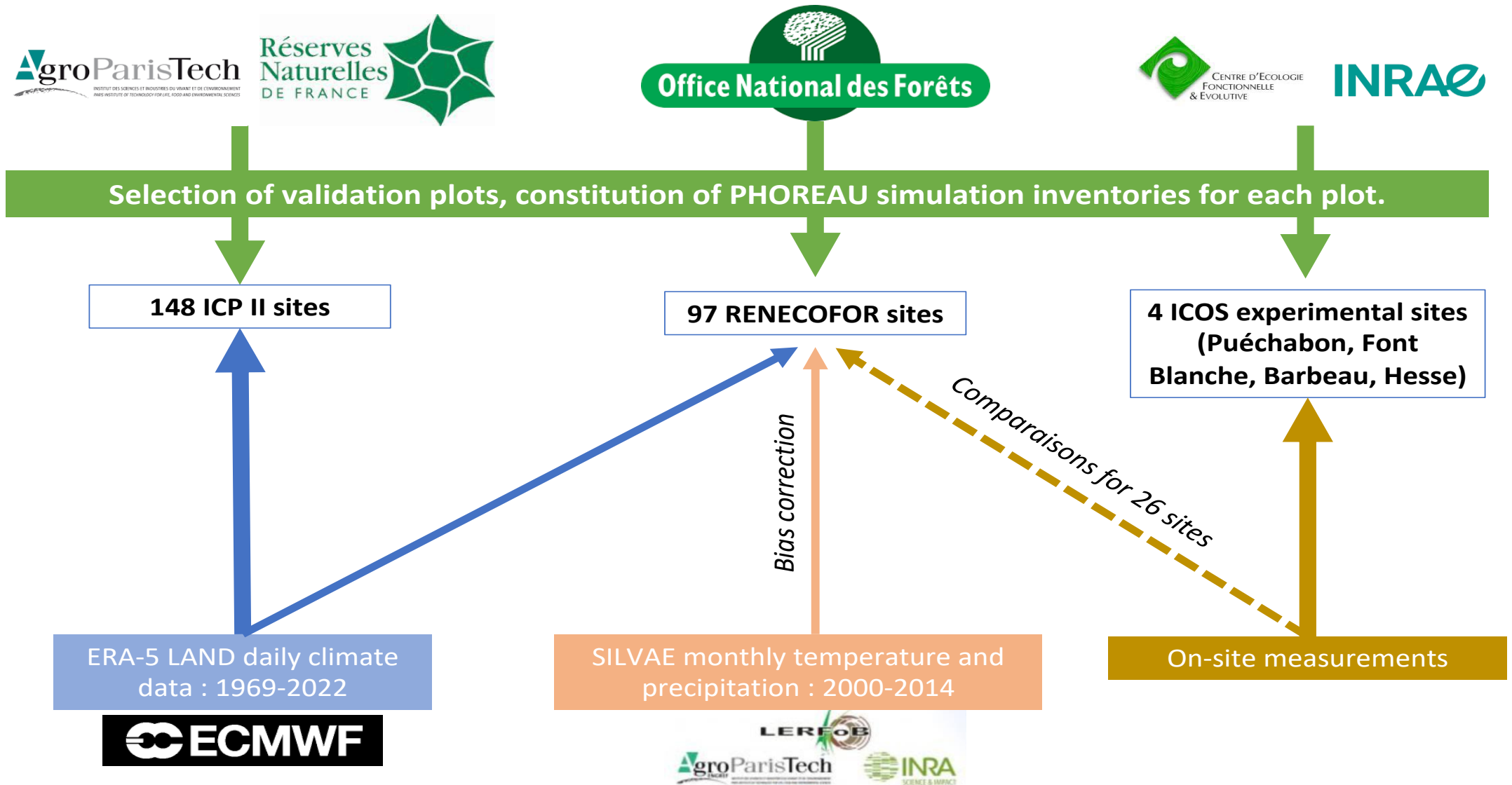
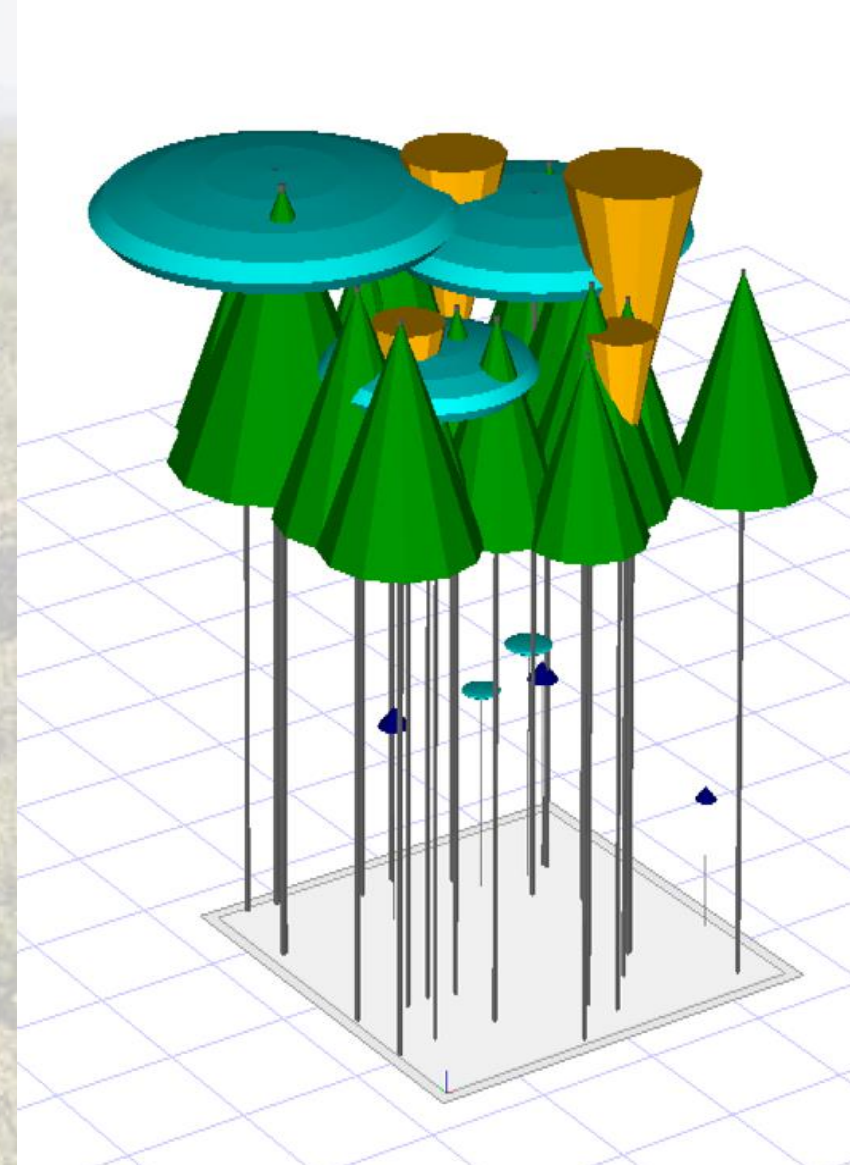
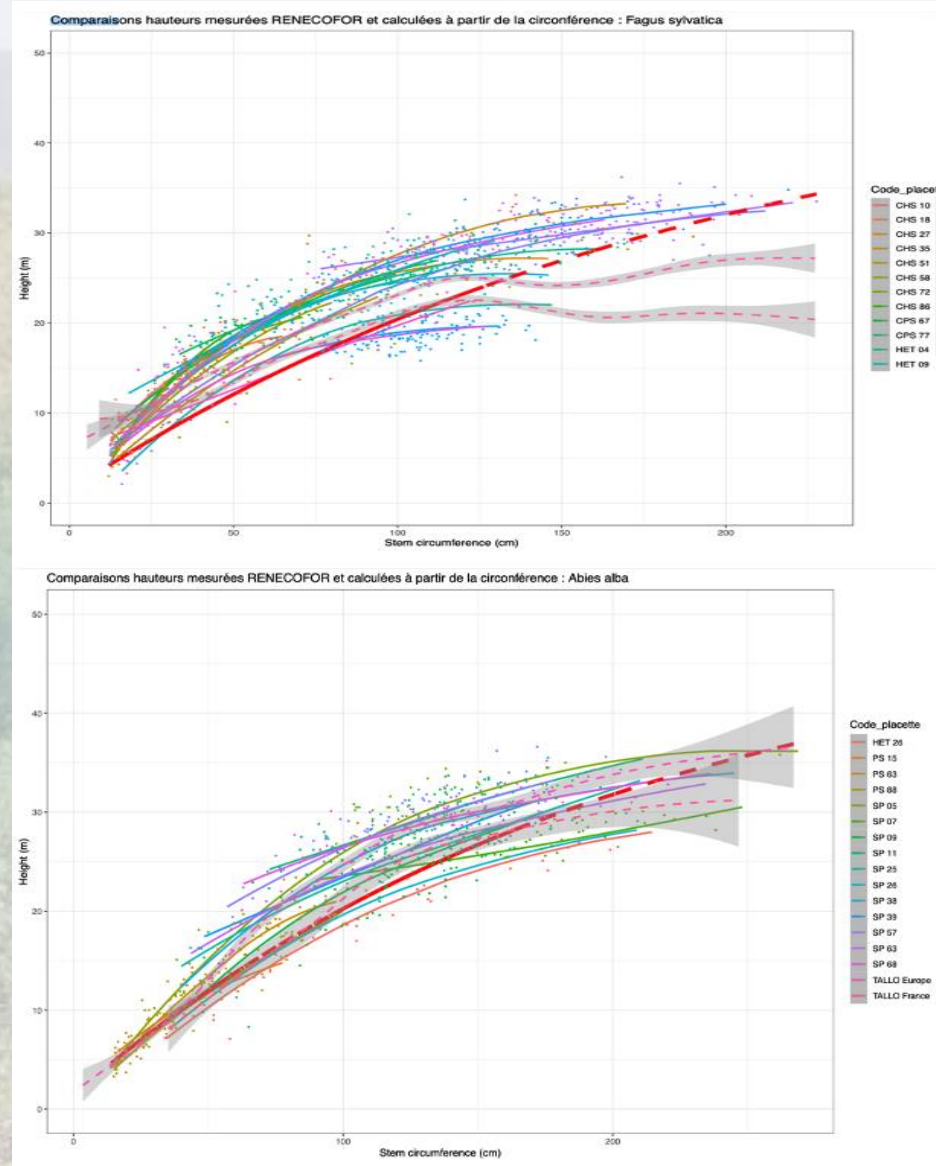


Fig. 13 | Predicted versus observed species aggregate daily transpirations. For each simulation site, the plain blue line is the regression line of the linear model of the relationship between observed and predicted species aggregate daily transpiration (mm), with confidence interval represented with the grey dashed lines; the dashed red line is the 1:1 line. See Annex X for definition of associated statistics. Colour code for the seasons as follows :
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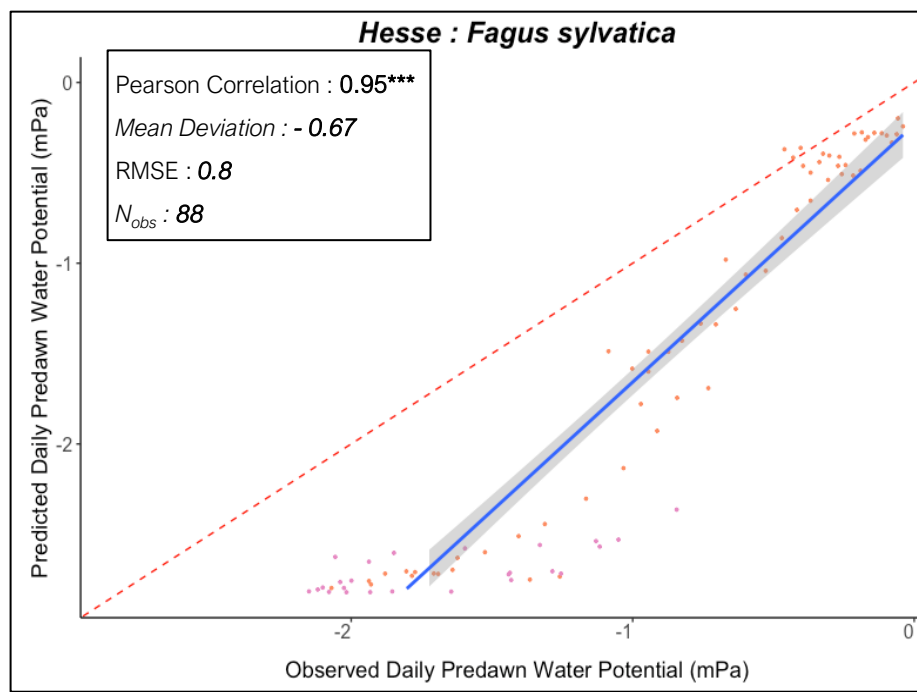
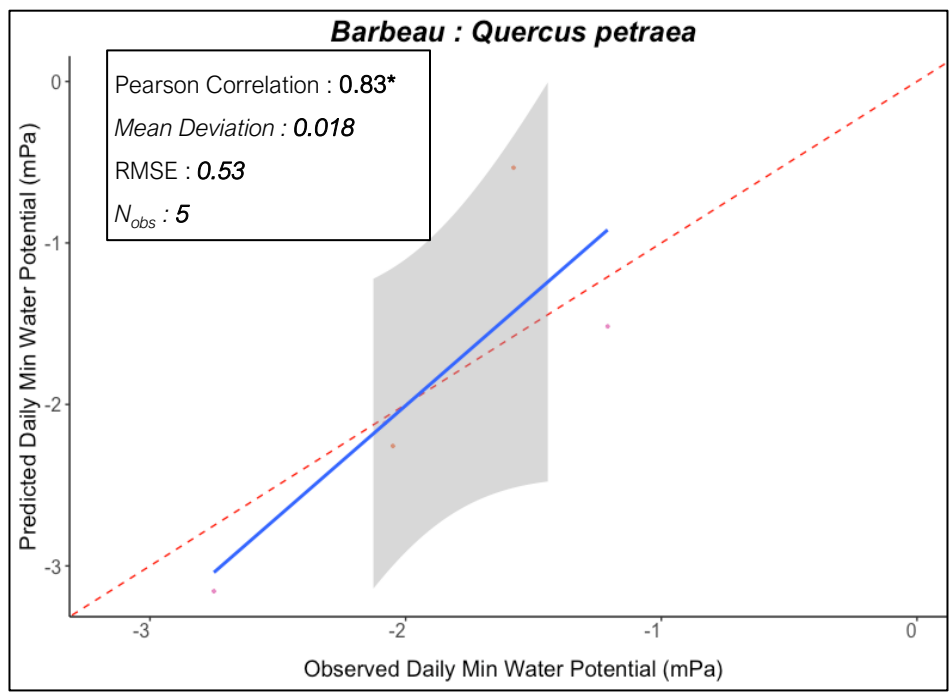
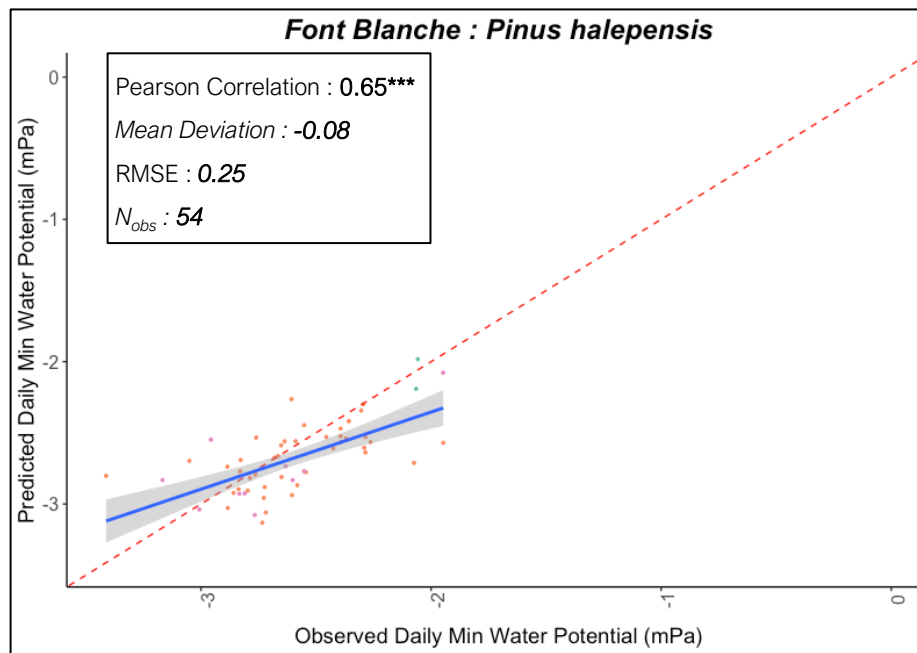
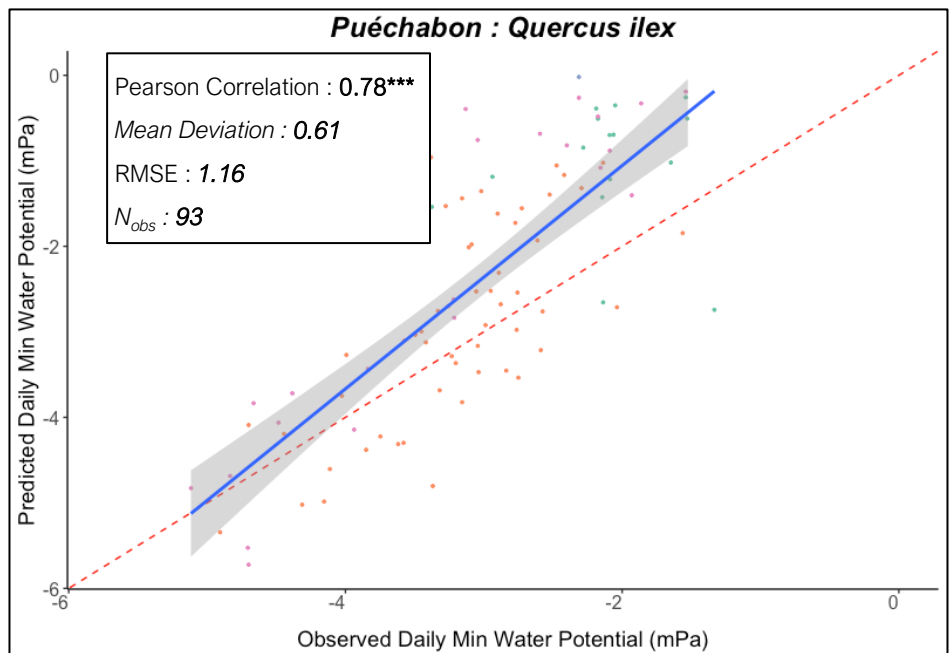


Fig. 15 | Predicted versus observed daily stem water potential. For each dominant species of the four simulation sites, each point represents a day with water potential observations (mPa), plotted against its corresponding predicted value by the PHOREAU model. For Puéchabon, Font Blanche and Barbeau minimum daily water potential is plotted, while the predawn potentials are shown for the Hesse site. The plain blue line is the regression line of the linear model of the relationship between observed and predicted water potential, with confidence interval represented with the grey dashed lines; the dashed red line is the 1:1 line. See Annex X for definition of associated statistics. Colour code for the seasons as follows :

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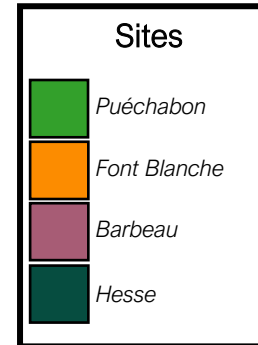
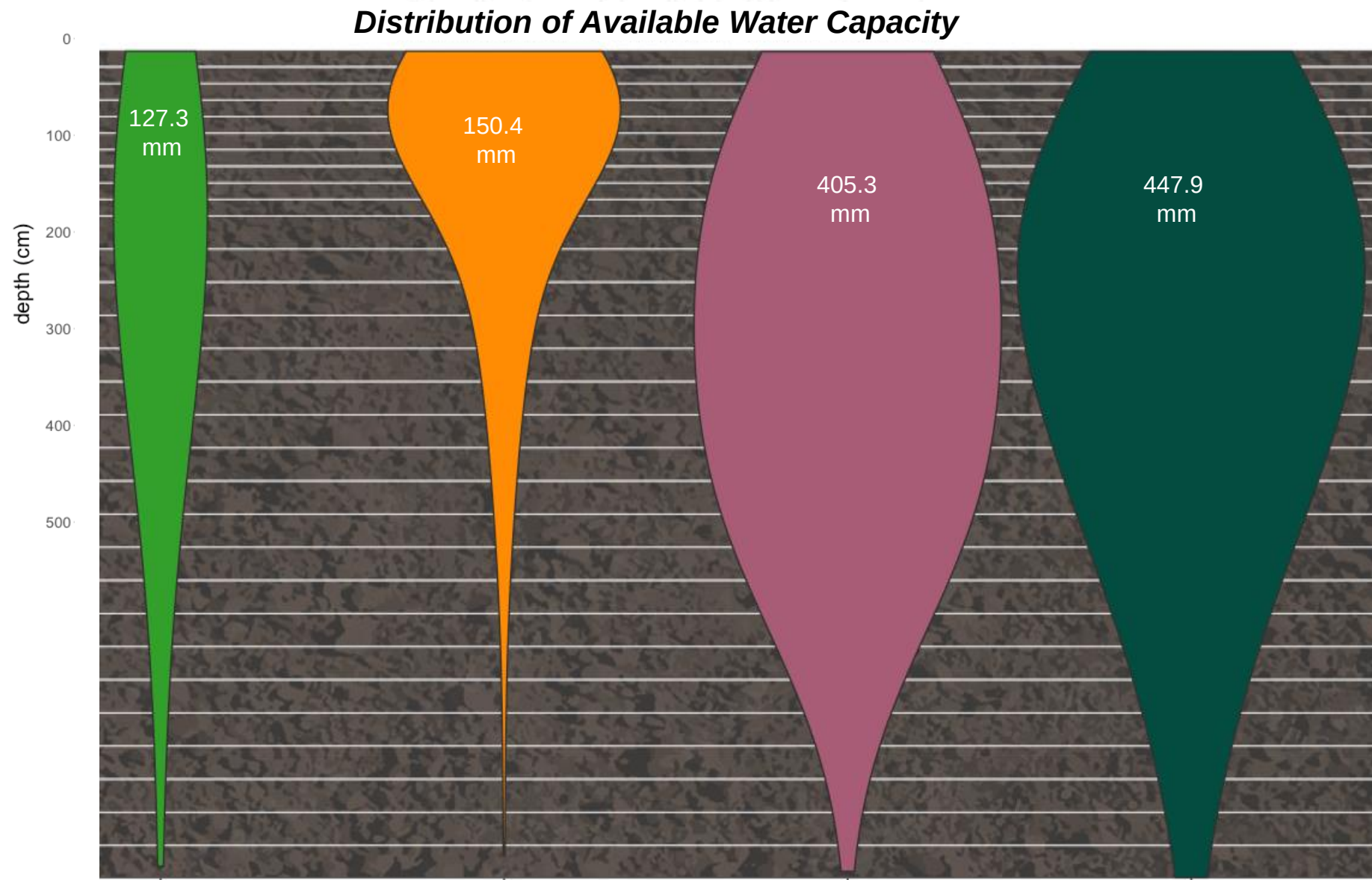


Fig. 6 | Observed potential available water capacity (AWC) distribution over the soil profile. For each simulation ICOS site, the vertical distribution of potential AWC is represented by the area of the shape contained within each of the 30 soil layers that make up the standard PHOREAU soil profile. The total aggregated AWC is shown at the center of each shape. Refer to Annex X for origin of soil data. Available Water Quantity (mm per meter of soil) is defined as the difference between the soil's field capacity (the maximum water content the soil can retain after drainage) and the wilting point (the minimum soil moisture level at which plants can no longer extract water).