

Manipulative experiments - overview

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What are the aims of this presentation?

- be familiar with database of manipulative experiments „Climmani“
- show how to navigate in it and search
- present specific examples of experiments in Europe and CR

What are the benefits for you?

- when writing an article
- when preparing and writing a project
- when creating meta-analyzes
- to establish contacts with persons engaged in similar issues



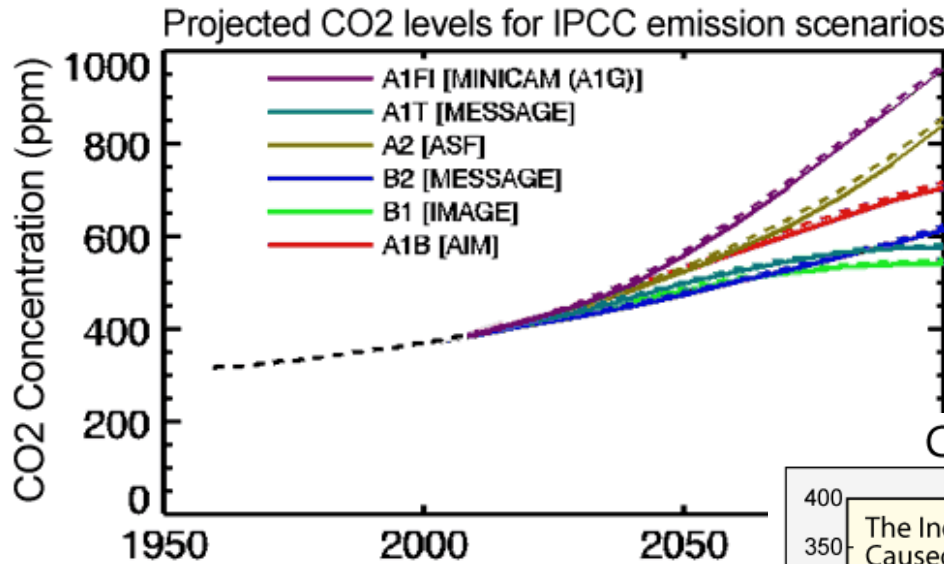
Outline of the presentation

- Introduction to the topic of climate change
- Climmani – project ESF and database of manipulative experiments
- Examples of various types of experiments from Europe
- Examples of manipulative experiments from CR
- Options for the future



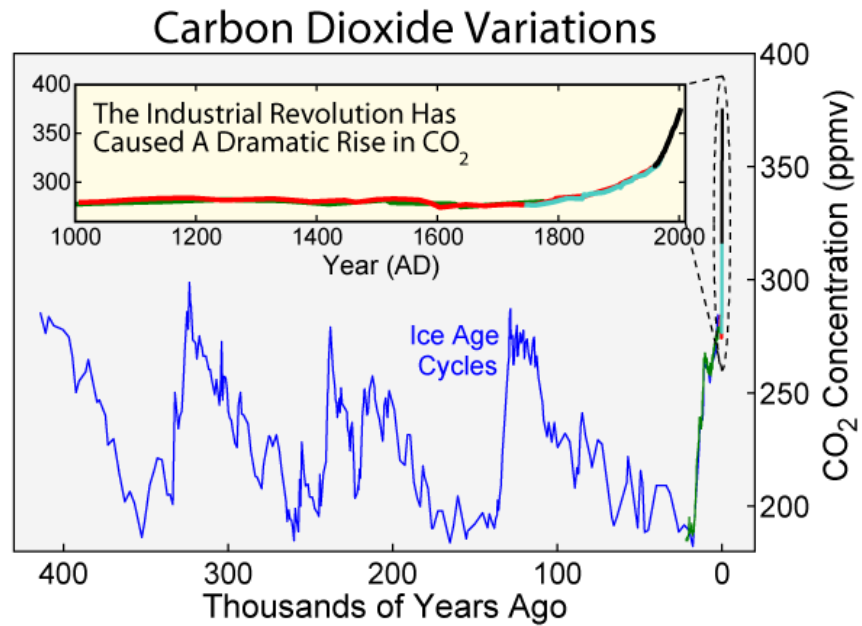
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1. Introduction to the topic of climate change



Scenarios of CO₂ concentrations

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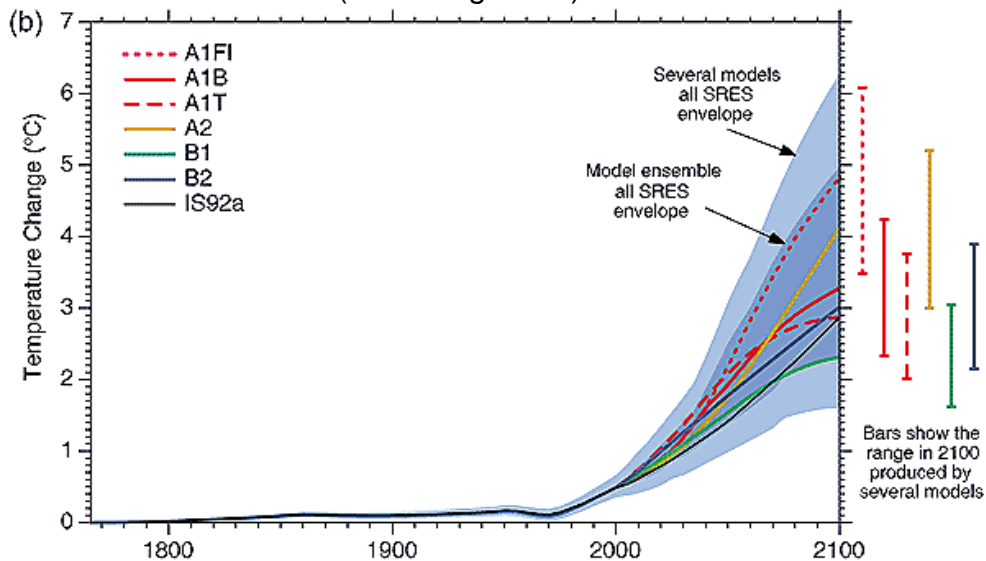
(Wikipedie, various sources)



1. Introduction to the topic of climate change

Temperature projections to 2100

(according IPCC)

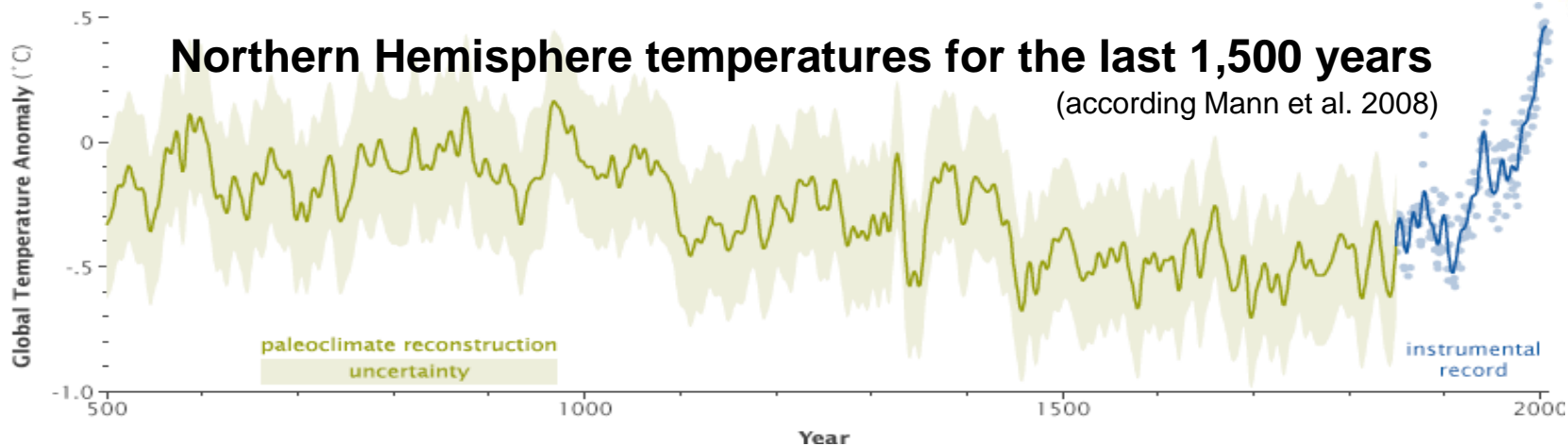


Air temperature scenarios



Northern Hemisphere temperatures for the last 1,500 years

(according Mann et al. 2008)



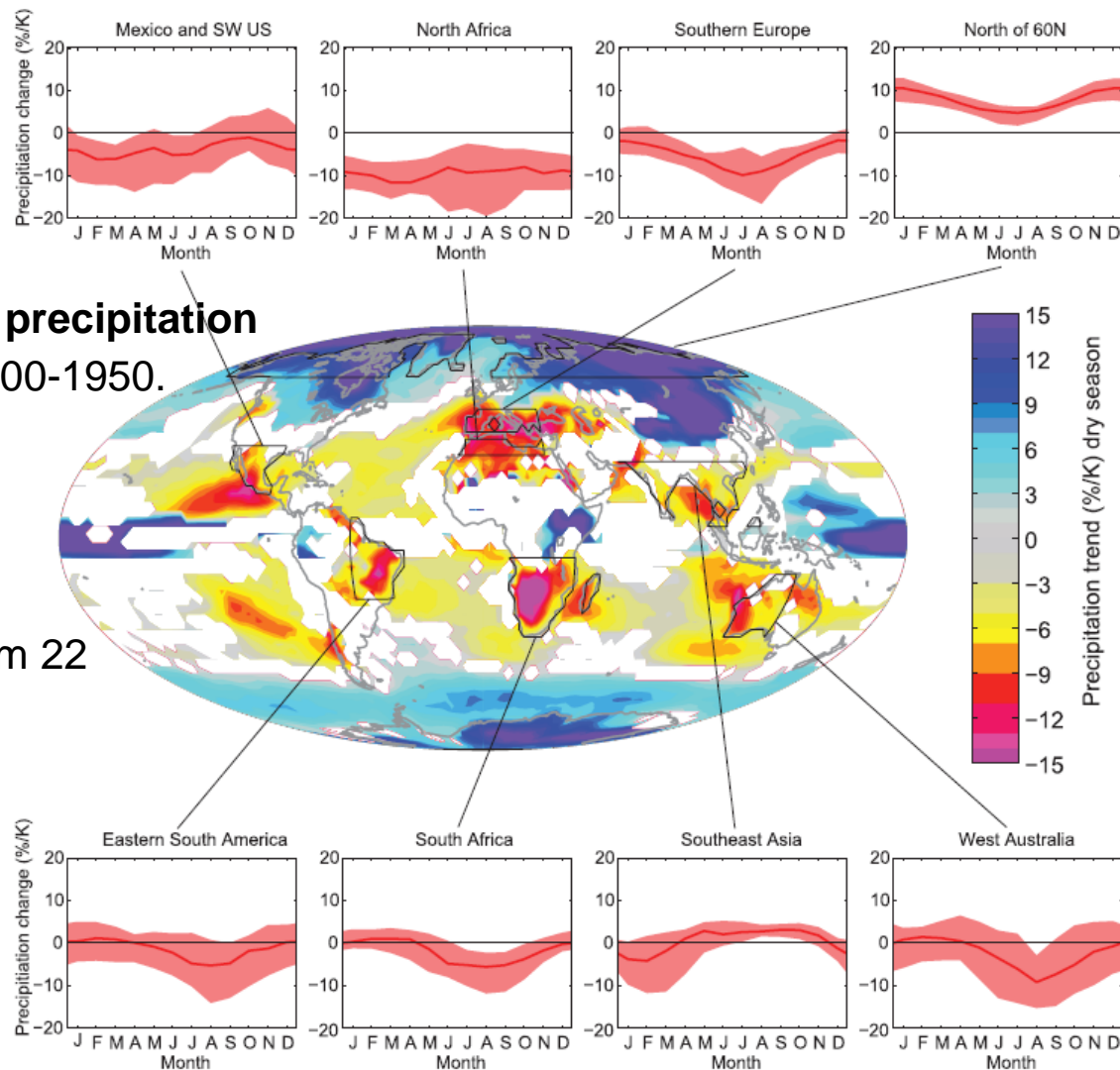
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Precipitation scenarios

Percentage change in precipitation relative to the period 1900-1950.

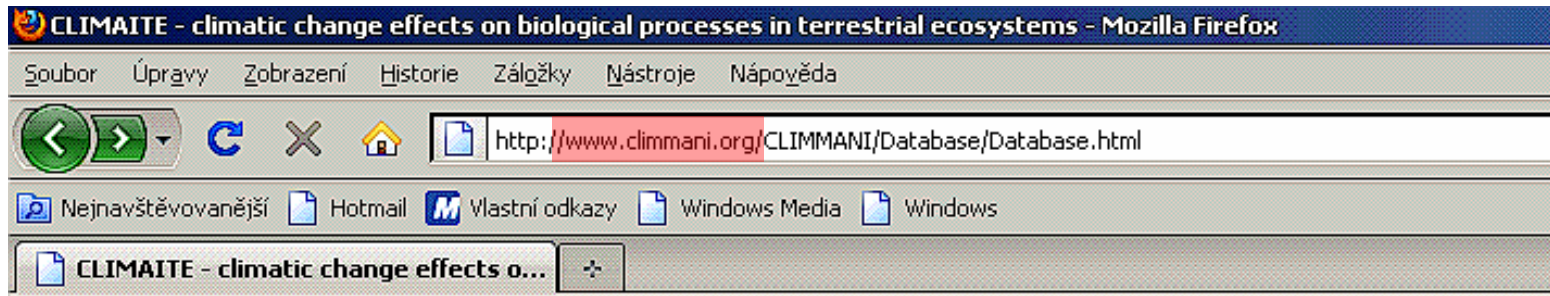
(Solomon et al. 2009)

White is used where less than 16 models from 22 was consistent.



Project ESF (2008-2013)

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ClimMani

Climate Change - Manipulation experiments in terrestrial ecosystems

- an ESF Research Networking Programme

Basics

Network & Links

Activities

Results

Database

Workshops

Conference

Working groups

Exchange visits



Database

ClimMani will engage with existing projects and provide a platform for gathering data into a common database, which will be available to research communities and modellers on request.

A new web-based metadatabase has been developed - see [here](#).



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Basics Network & Links **Activities** Results

Aim and objectives Description Steering committee Contact

The ClimMani project

ClimMani is a Research Networking Programme under the European Science Foundation (ESF). ClimMani involves at present 14 European countries and links more than 50 climate change related field scale experiments. ClimMani is networking with similar experiments and activities in US and Australia.

ClimMani aims to provide an umbrella for coordinated activities bringing together researchers, data and knowledge from past and ongoing European climate manipulation research projects in order to synthesise the knowledge and improve ecosystem models.

CLIMMANI/INTERFACE Workshop on "Nutrient constraints on the net carbon balance" June 15-17th 2011 in Keflavik, Iceland

[Programme and student/postdoc application procedure here.](#)

Young scientists Workshop on "terrestrial ecosystem responses to climate change" - September 2011. Apply to participate:

CLIMMANI will sponsor a two-week workshop focused on analyzing responses of terrestrial ecosystems to climate manipulation (week 1) and on writing a review based on these findings (week 2). This workshop will be held in Belgium in September 2011 and will be organized by Ivan Janssens. To foster knowledge transfer to younger generations, 5-10 early-career researchers will be invited to participate in this writing workshop. CLIMMANI is offering support in the form of travel grants. If you are interested in participating please send a one-page letter of interest and CV to Ivan Janssens (ivan.janssens@ua.ac.be) before May 1st 2011. Read more [here](#).

New climate change experiments META-database:

A new meta database for climate change experiments are available [here](#) - please register your experiment. Site, project, treatments, response measurements, data status, site characteristics, key reference, contacts person etc. [here](#)

New call for short exchange grants:

Will come in the spring of 2011

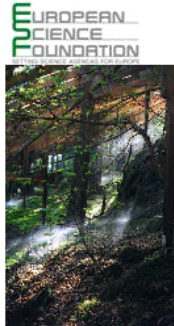


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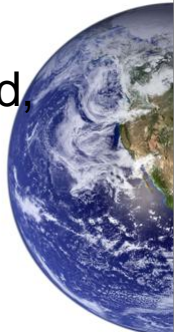
Project: 2008-2013.

The participating countries:

Austria, Belgium, Croatia, CR, Denmark, Finland, Italy, Netherland, Norway, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.

The main objectives:

Workshops, exchanges for students, **databases of projects** creation of meta-analyses



ClimMani

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Basics	Network & Links	Activities	Results
Database	Workshops	Conference	Working groups Exchange visits

Main activities

ClimMani will initiate a series of activities to obtain its goals. These are:

Database

ClimMani has developed a META DATABASE providing registration and search facilities for ecosystem experiments globally. You can register your experiment in the database in order for others to know your experiment and potentially to get access to your data for publications. Go to the data base, register your experiment and fill in the information about the experiment, the responses measured and references to your work. [DATABASE here](#)

ClimMani will further establish a comprehensive integrated database that contains data on all manipulation experiments and from both ongoing and past EU research projects as well as from existing national databases. This will be conducted in close collaboration with major existing climate change-related projects and provide links to other databases. The database will be available to research communities and modellers on request.

Workshops

In order to analyse our present understanding of ecosystem processes and modelling ecosystem functioning under atmospheric and climatic changes, a series of workshops will be organised. Key researchers and working groups from different disciplines with experimental as well as modelling backgrounds will be invited to assess results from manipulation experiments, evaluate existing literature and databases and identify and discuss progress and developments within climate change research. Workshops will include collaborative meetings with the US networks TERACC and INTERFACE.

Conference

A conference on "Climate-Nutrient interactions – role of resources in controlling climate change responses in ecosystems. Experiments and modelling" in June 2011 held together with the American network TERACC/INTERFACE. If you want to participate or contribute, please contact us.

Working groups

A series of working groups may be initiated according to identified

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Database of projects



ClimMani Meta-database

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CLIMMANI Meta database

- a Climate Change Experiments overview database

This meta database provides a global overview of climate change experiments. The database focuses on manipulations of global climate.

- Which experiments exist, where are they carried out?
- which treatments have been carried out?
- which responses were measured?
- how can you get access to the data?
- which key references exist?
- who should you contact to get data?

You can use the database to:

- Add your experiment to the database ("Add experiment")
- Modify or update your previously added experiment ("Update experiment")
- Search the database to find out about previous experiments

What is CLIMMANI

CLIMMANI is an integrated network among European researchers. CLIMMANI will provide a framework for networking and collaboration. CLIMMANI will:

- bring together key researchers within climate change research
- build coherent interdisciplinary databases
- coordinate research activities in climate change research

CLIMMANI aims to improve our capacity for understanding climate change. CLIMMANI is supported by ESF (The European Social Fund). Learn more at the CLIMMANI website (www.climmani.eu)

What experiments are there?
Which factors have been manipulated?
Which parameters were monitored?
Which main publications exist?
Who is a contact person?

Any Treatment ▾

Information

Frontpage

ClimMani

- Air pollutants
- Clear cut - forest
- CO2 increase
- Control
- Fire
- Girdling
- Grazing
- Litter addition
- Moving
- N addition
- N removal
- Nutrients +/-
- Ozone
- Shading
- Snow removal
- Soil management
- Temperature
- Thinning - forest
- tillage
- UVB

provide information on contacts persons and data availability on all available warming projects that measured soil respiration.

person. Select the combination of search criteria from the drop down boxes.

number of specific responses (0 - 5)

Specific treatments:	Select responses (You may leave these fields empty if you are not looking for specific responses):		
Response 1	Any Response	▾	Leaving both Treatment and <input type="button" value="Search"/>
Response 2	Any Response	▾	
Response 3	Any Response	▾	
Response 4	Any Response	▾	
Response 5	Any Response	▾	

2. Climmani – database of manipulative experiments

ClimMani Meta-database

Search for experiment - treatments - responses

Here you can search for certain experiments/treatments and responses

Example
 You want to synthesise soil respiration data from warming experiments
 - make a search for "warming experiments" and "soil respiration". The database will provide it

You can further finetune the search by country, project, site, treatment and contact person. Select

Search for projects employing a number of specific treatments (0 - 5) and providing a number of

Select treatments (You may leave these fields empty if you are not looking for specific treatments)

Treatment 1:

Treatment 2:

Treatment 3:

Treatment 4:

Treatment 5:

Search for site / projects combinations:

Search for projects connected with a given site:

Search for sites connected with a given project:

Search for sites/projects managed by a given person:

Search for sites in a given country:

- Atmospheric components
- Basic climate variables
- Biomass
- Burried bag soil processes
- C mineralisation
- CH4
- CH4 exchange
- Denitrification
- Deposition
- drainage and lysimeter water characteristics
- Ecophysiology**
- General soil characteristics
- Genetics
- Herbivory
- Hydrology
- LAI
- Litter decomposition
- Litter production
- Management timing
- Management type

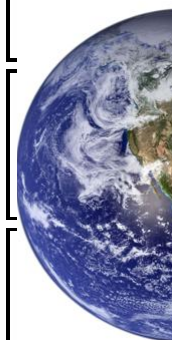
both Treatment and Response

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Site name	Project name	Country	
Brandbjerg	CLIMAITE	DENMARK	Show details
Flakaliden	Flakaliden	SWEDEN	Show details
Risdalsheia	CLIMEX	NORWAY	Show details

Site name	Project name
Brandbjerg	CLIMAITE
Flakaliden	Flakaliden
Risdalsheia	CLIMEX

Czech_Multi	CzechTerra	CZECH REPUBLIC	Show details
Linden	GIFACE	GERMANY	Show details
Braunschweig	Braunschweig	GERMANY	Show details
Munich	Munich CO2	GERMANY	Show details
Hohenheim	MiniFACE	GERMANY	Show details



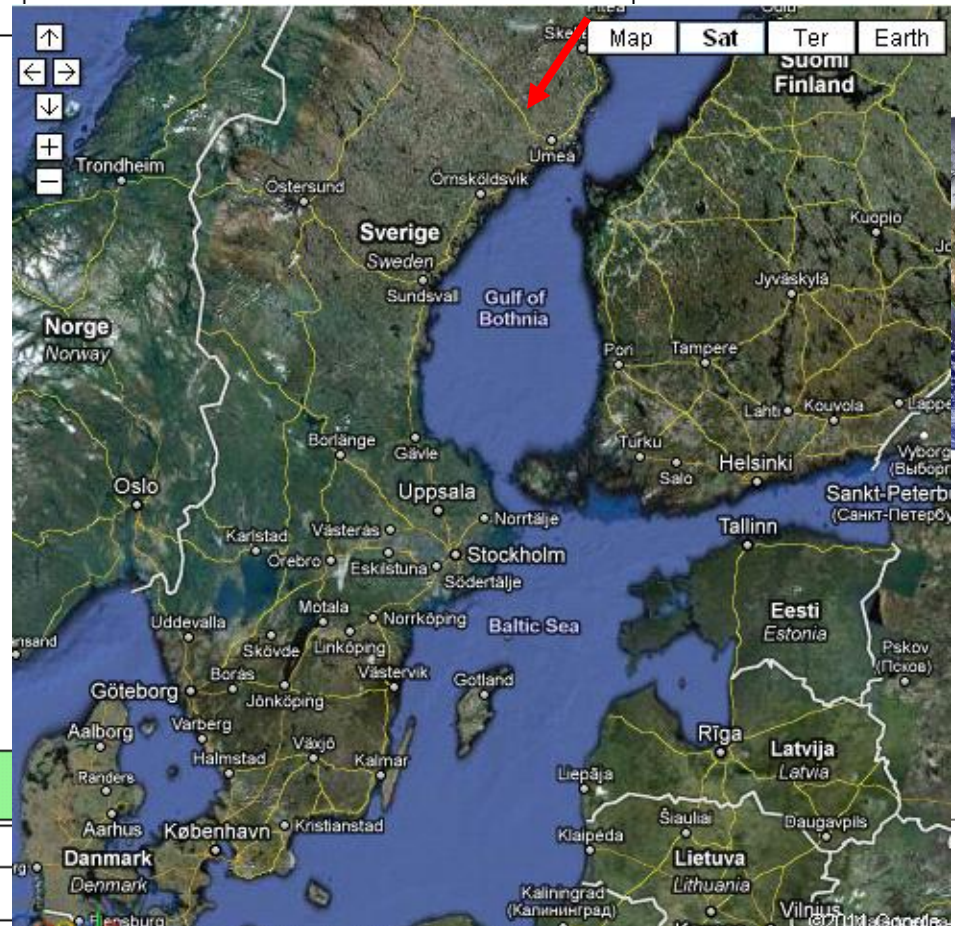
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ClimMani Meta-database

Flakaliden, Sweden (S. Linder)

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Site name	Project name	Country	Location	Altitude
Flakaliden	Flakaliden	SWEDEN	64o07'N 19o27'E	320
Site Description	Project Description	Landuse		
1	0	Forest		
Treatments				
CO2 increase				
Control				
Girdling				
N addition				
Nutrients +/-				
Temperature				
Thinning - forest				
Water addition				
Response name	response type			
Basic climate variables	site			
Additional Information:				
Data Status:	Spreadsheets			
Key References:				
Web Link:				
Person name	Contact detail	Institute		
Sune Linder	sune.linder@ess.slu.se	SLU		
Additional Persons:				



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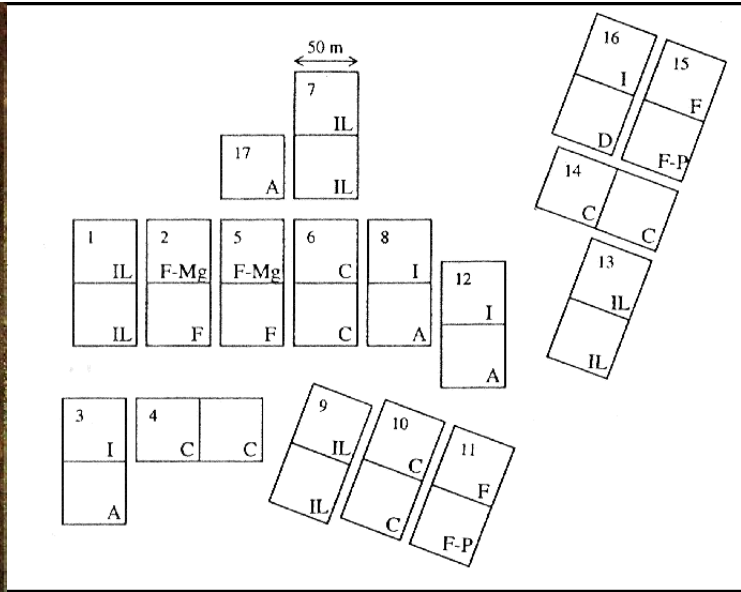
Experiment of
(Photo 1996)



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4 years after the establishing of the experiment
(fertilized areas are darker, photo 1990)

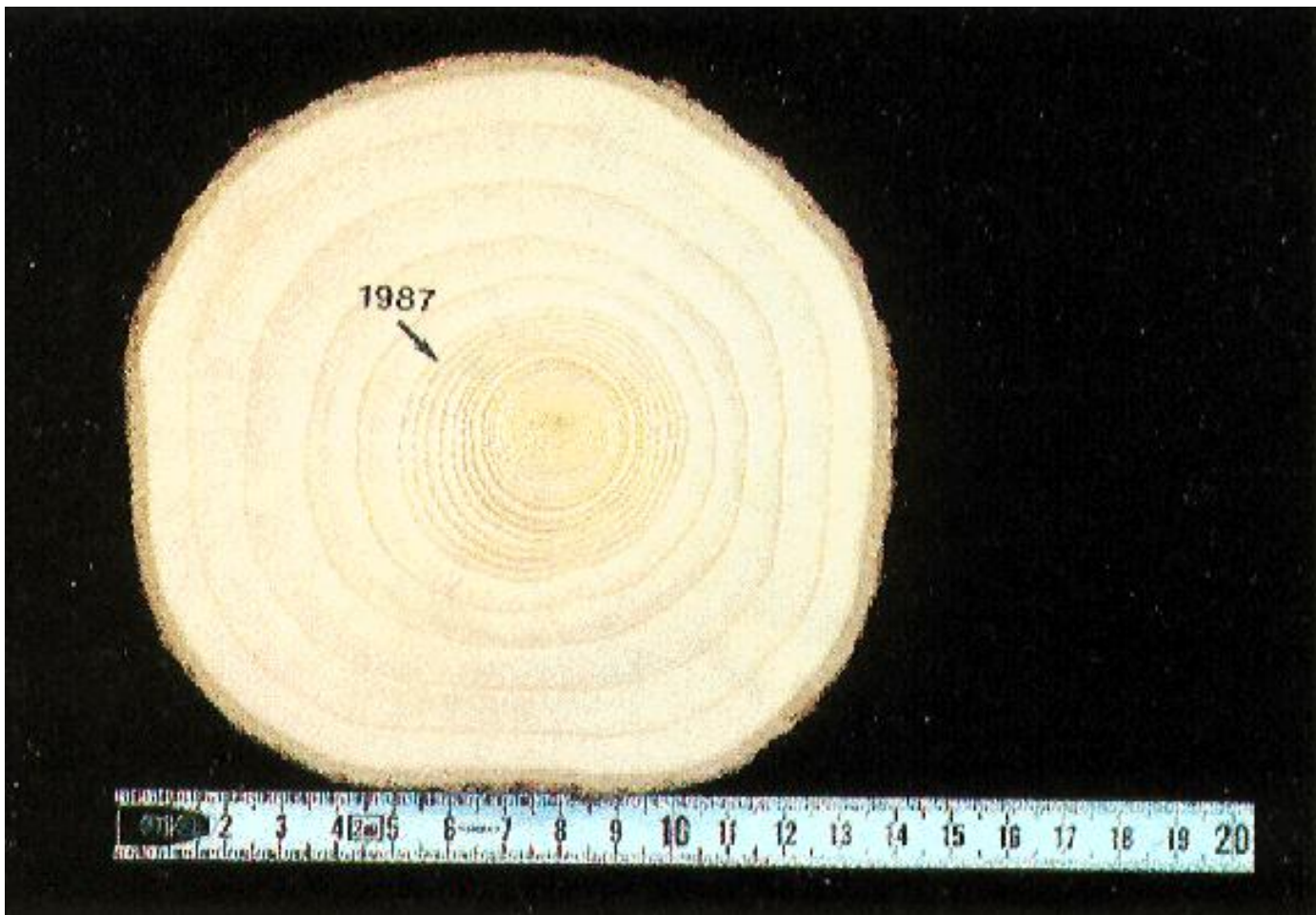


Schematic design: control plots (C), irrigated plots (I), fertilized plots (F), irrigated and fertilized plots (IL) (n = 4).

Other experimental plots:
Fertilized plots complemented by forest ashes (A), fertilized plots with all essential elements except phosphorus (F-P) or magnesium (F-Mg), variant where summer precipitation were reduced to 65% (D)

See Bergh (1997) and Bergh et al. (1998) for further details.



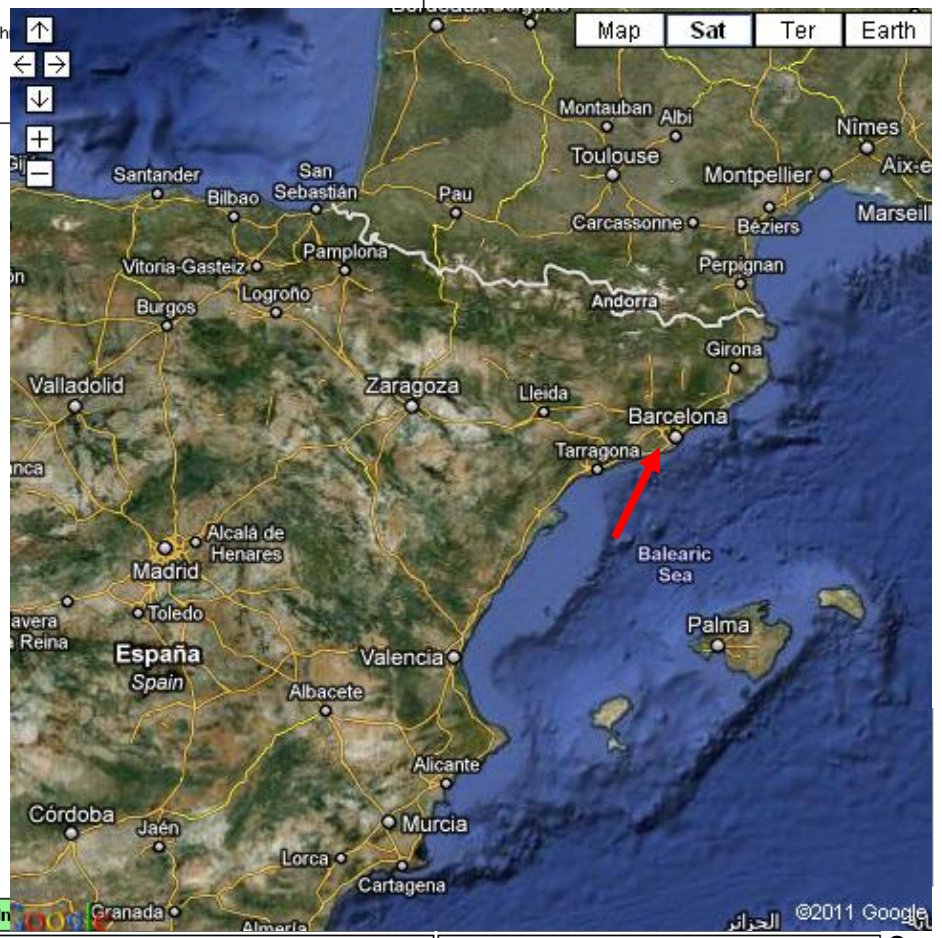


**Growth rings *Picea abies* from irrigated and fertilized plots (IL)
(significant expansion of rings after the experiment began in 1987)
Photo 1992**

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Garraf, Spain (CLIMOOR-VULCAN)

Site name	Project name	Country	Location	Altitude
Garraf	CLIMOOR-VULCAN	SPAIN	41.18N, 1.49E	210
Site Description	Project Description	Landuse		
MAT: 15.6; MAP: 580; N deposition 0.5 gNm ² /yr; Soil: Petrocalcic Calcixerepts 3.1 kgC/m ² ; vegetation: Erica multiflora, Globularia alypum	Project to investigate ecosystem responses (productivity, biogeochemical cycling, species change) to realistic changes in climatic variables (increased temperature and extended drought) in the long term using a newly developed and tested experimental approach. To investigate the interaction between climate change and other stress factors such as N pollution, management and land use practices in shrublands.			
Treatments				
Control				
Temperature				
Water removal				
Response name	response type			
Biomass	plant			
Ecophysiology	plant			
LAI	plant			
Litter production	plant			
Phenology	plant			
Plant C pools	plant			
Plant chemistry	plant			
Plant N pools	plant			
Root biomass	plant			
Species composition	plant			
Basic climate variables	site			
Key References:	Sirca, C.; Sowerby, A.; Spano, D. and Tietema, A. (2007) Response of plant species richness and primary productivity in shrublands along a north-south gradient in Europe to seven years of experimental warming and drought. Reductions in primary productivity in the heat and drought year of 2003. Global Change Biology, 13, 2563-2581.			
Web Link:	http://www.creaf.uab.es			
Person name	Contact detail			
Josep Penuelas	josep.penuelas@uab.cat			
Additional Persons:				



Garraf, Spain

Experiment on the effects of increased temperature

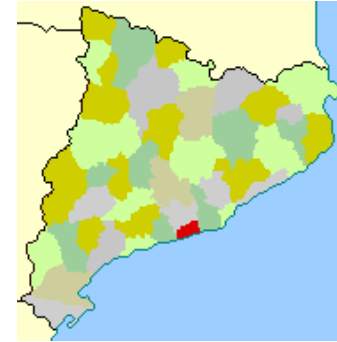


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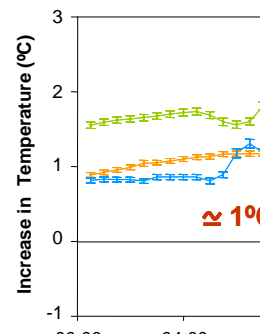
Shrubland



- 3 Control plots
- 3 Warming treatment plots



WARMING TREATMENT



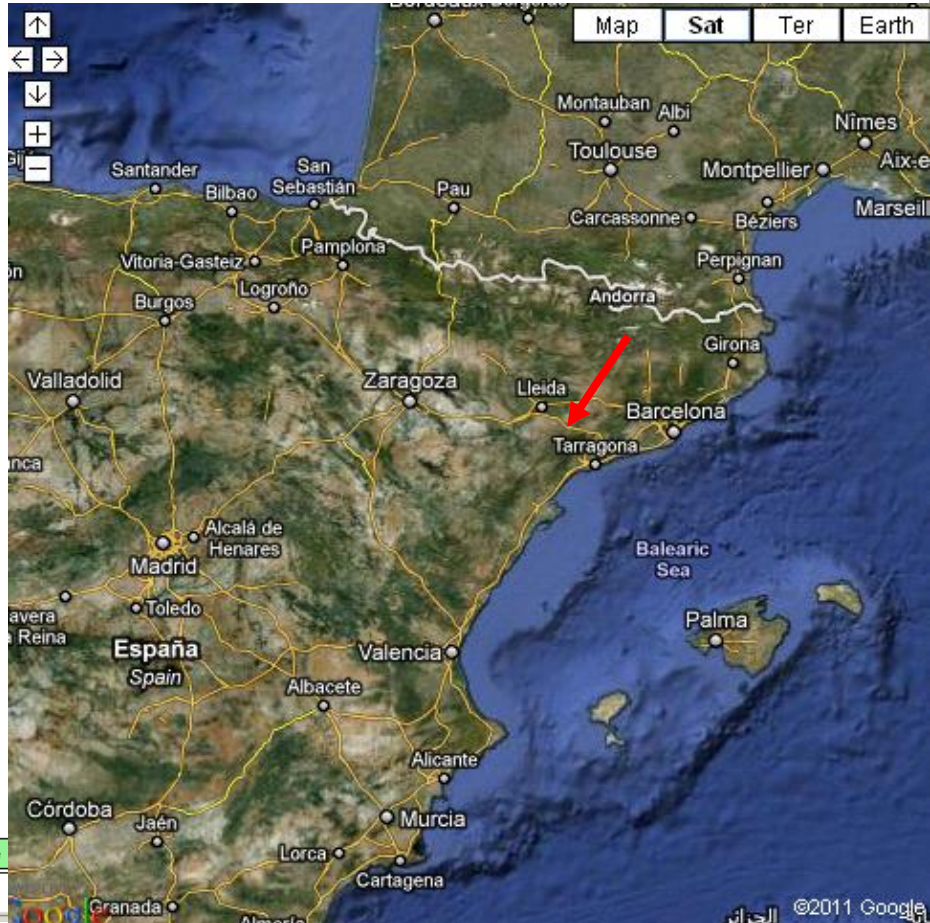
Passive warming (capture of infrared radiation during the night)

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Prades, Spain (J. Penuelas)

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Site name	Project name	Country	Location	Altitude
Prades	Prades	SPAIN	1	950
Site Description	Project Description	Landuse		
Mediterranean evergreen forest	Experimental drought simulating future water availability for Mediterranean forests induced by climate change	Not Yet Assigned		
Treatments				
Control				
Water removal				
Response name	response type			
Biomass	plant			
Ecophysiology	plant			
LAI	plant			
Litter production	plant			
Phenology	plant			
Plant chemistry	plant			
Species composition	plant			
Basic climate variables	site			
General soil characteristics	site			
Plant productivity	site			
Plant species composition	site			
Soil respiration	soil			
Soil moisture content	soil			
Soil respiration	soil			
Stable isotope studies	soil			
Additional Information:				
Data Status:				
Key References:				
Web Link:	http://www.creaf.uab.es/ecophysiology/sites/experimental_sites.htm			
Person name	Contact detail	Institute		
Josep Penuelas	josep.penuelas@uab.cat	CREAF		



Prades (Mediterranean forest, Spain)

Experiment on the effects of drought



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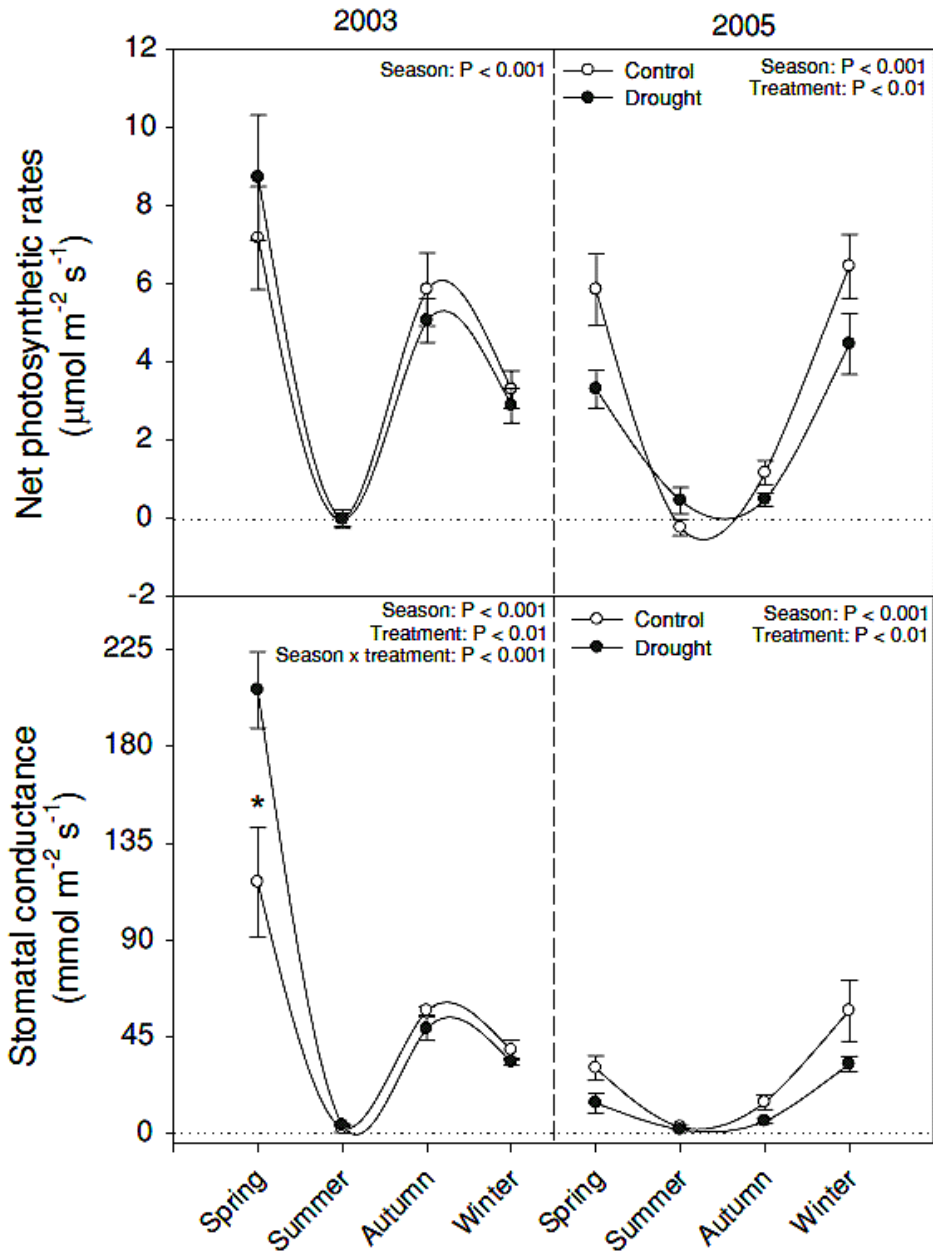
Annual and seasonal changes in foliar terpene content and emission rates in *Cistus albidus* L. submitted to soil drought in Prades forest (Catalonia, NE Spain)

**Joan Llusià · Josep Peñuelas ·
Giorgio Alessio**

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Precipitation 2003: 900 mm
vs. 2005: 500 mm
(drought: 20% reduction)

Cistus albidus (cist vlnatý)

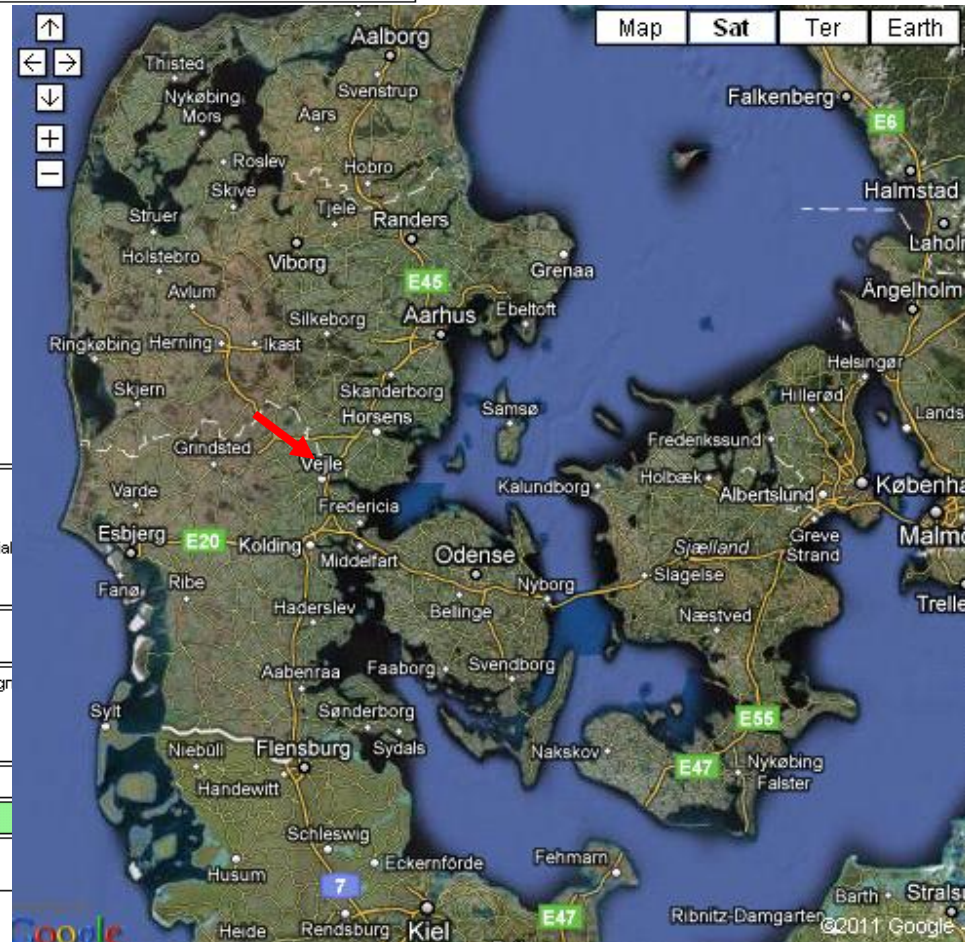


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Brandbjerg, Denmark (CLIMAITE)

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Site name	Project name	Country	Location	Altitude
Brandbjerg	CLIMAITE	DENMARK	55.53N 11.58E	25
Site Description	Project Description	Landuse		
Sandy soil, calluna shrubland/deschampsia grassland, no management	Multifactorial climate change experiment (elevated CO2 (FACE), T (passive night time warming) and H2O (summer drought)). Measurements of responses at the species, community and ecosystem level.	Shrubland		
Treatments				
CO2 increase				
Control				
Temperature				
Water removal				
Response name	response type			
Biomass	plant			
Ecophysiology	plant			
Herbivory	plant			
LAI	plant			
Litter production	plant			
NEE	plant			
Phenology	plant			
Additional Information:	CO2 increase to 510 ppm by FACE (only daytime, year round) Temperature increase 1 oC by passive night time warming Water removal (extended summer drought) by automatic rain out shelters Treatments include full factorial approach. 6 replicates. Started treatments in 2005 - ongoing.			
Data Status:	Driving variables (meteorology etc) in database, some responses in database and some in spreadsheets			
Key References:	Mikkelsen, T.N.; Beier, C.; et al. (2008) Experimental design of multifactor climate change experiments with elevated CO2, warming and drought – the CLIMAITE project. Functional Ecology, 22, 185-195.			
Web Link:	www.climaite.dk			
Person name	Contact detail			
Claus Beier	clbe@risoe.dtu.dk			
Additional Persons: Teis Mikkelsen (site & ecophysiology) Leon G Linden (modelling)				

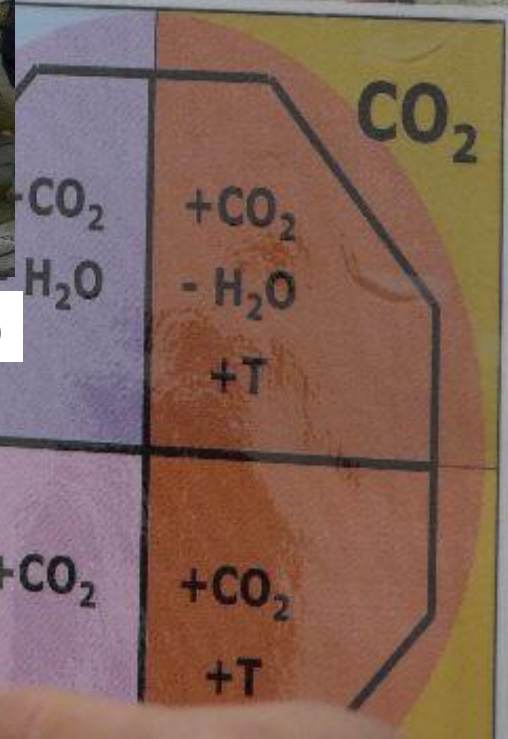


Brandbjerg, Denmark

Experiment on the combined effects of temperature, drought and elevated CO₂ (CLIMAITE)



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Shielding of precipitation (blind) +ared radiation during the night)



Global Change Biology

Global Change Biology (2011) 17, 1884–1899, doi: 10.1111/j.1365-2486.2010.02351.x

Reduced N cycling in response to elevated CO₂, warming, and drought in a Danish heathland: Synthesizing results of the CLIMAITE project after two years of treatments

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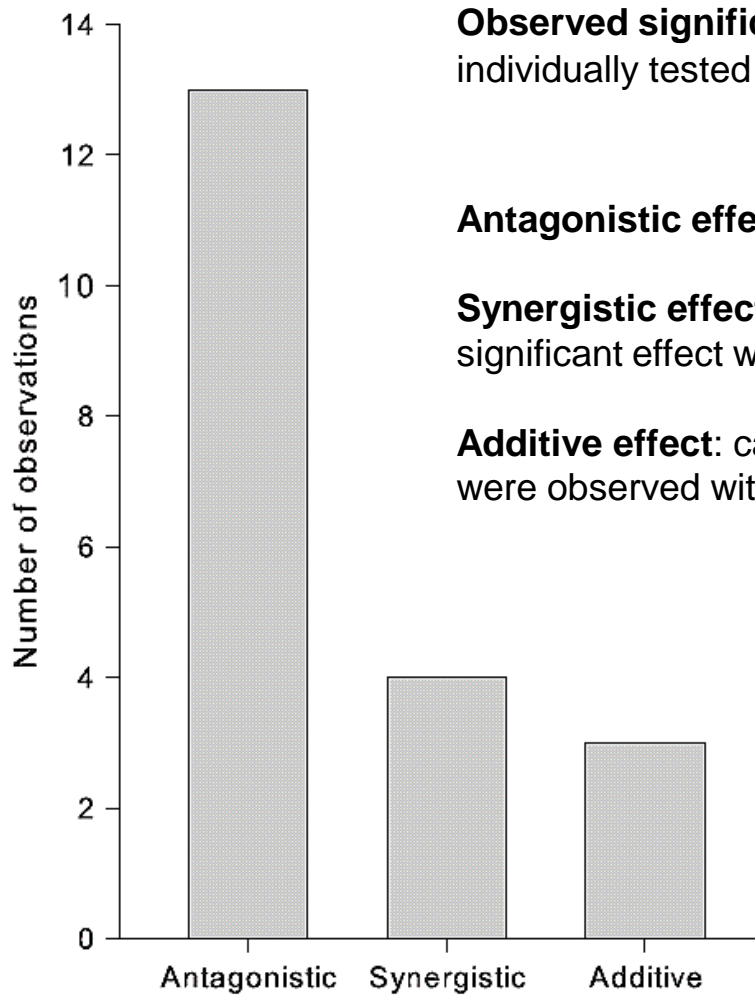
Abstract

Field-scale experiments simulating realistic future current and future climate changes on ecosystem



Claus Beier (coordinator of project CLIMAITE)

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Observed significant interactions ($P \leq 0,05$) from the analysis of 47 individually tested response variables

Antagonistic effect: combination lead to reduction of effects.

Synergistic effect: combination lead to extension of single effects or significant effect was only observed in combination.

Additive effect: cases where two significant individual effects were observed without significant interaction.



Larsen et al. 2011 Global Change Biology

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Basel, Switzerland (Swiss Canopy Crane)

Search experiment Update experiment Add experiment

Site name	Project name	Country
Basel	Swiss canopy crane	SWITZERLAND
Site Description	Project Description	
1	0	
Treatments		
CO2 increase		
Control		
Response name	Response type	
Additional Information:		
Data Status:		
Key References:		
Web Link:		
Person name	Contact detail	
Christian Koerner	christian.koerner@unibas.ch	
Additional Persons:		



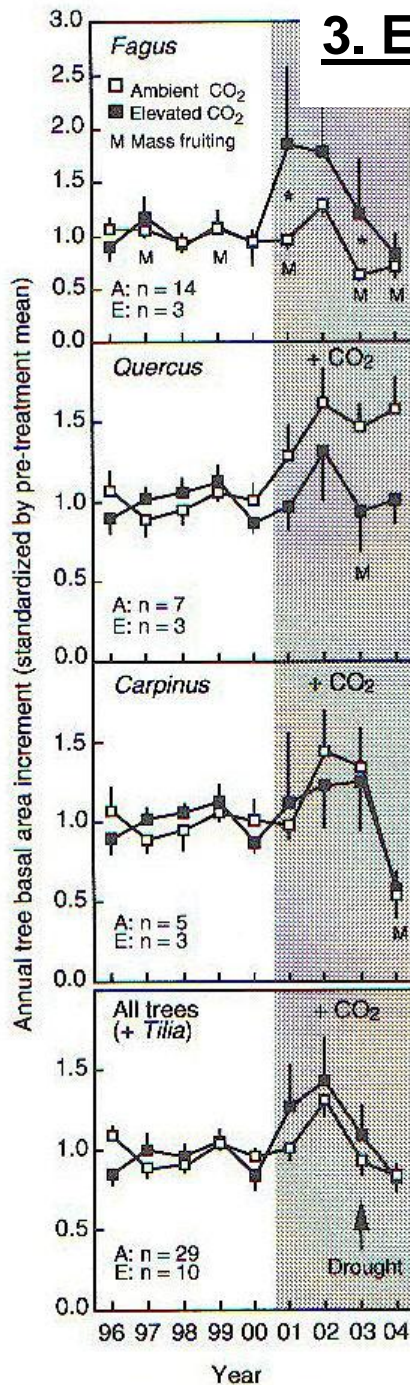
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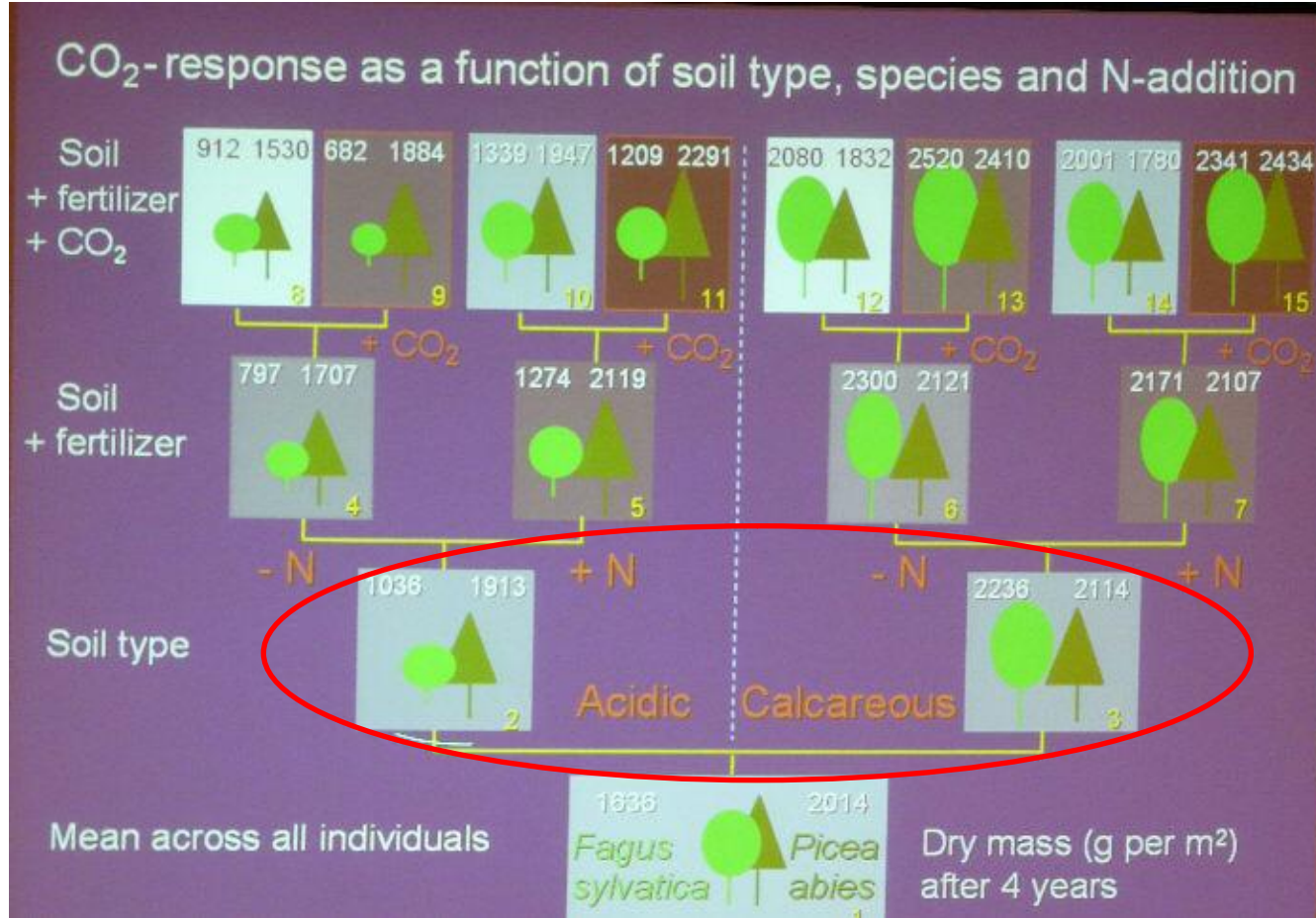
Carbon Flux and Growth in Mature Deciduous Forest Trees Exposed to Elevated CO₂

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 Stephan Hättenschwiler,^{1,2} Sonja G. Keel,³ Susanna Peláez-Riedl,¹
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Whether rising atmospheric carbon dioxide (CO₂) concentrations will cause forests to grow faster and store more carbon is an open question. Using free air CO₂ release in combination with a canopy crane, we found an immediate and sustained enhancement of carbon flux through 35-meter-tall temperate forest trees when exposed to elevated CO₂. However, there was no overall stimulation in stem growth and leaf litter production after 4 years. Photosynthetic capacity was not reduced, leaf chemistry changes were minor, and tree species differed in their responses. Although growing vigorously, these trees did not accrete more biomass carbon in stems in response to elevated CO₂, thus challenging projections of growth responses derived from tests with smaller trees.

The importance of monitoring a combination of several factors



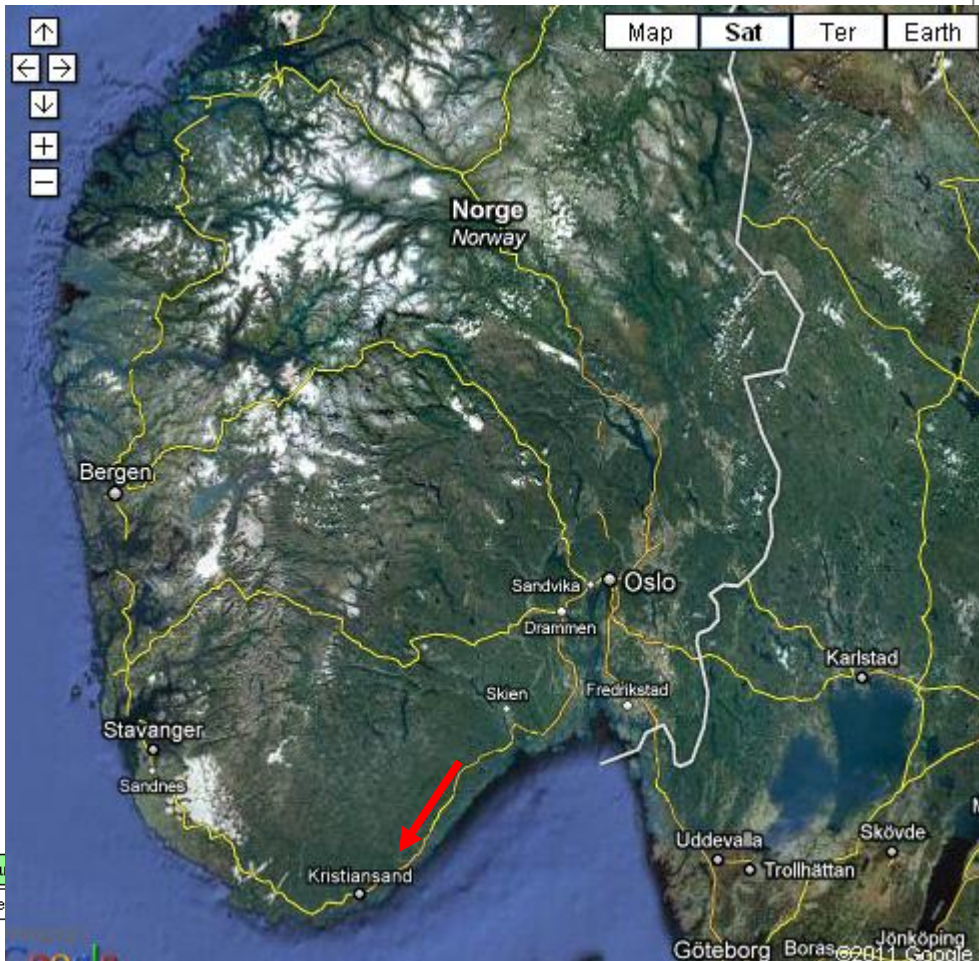
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Risdalsheia, Norway (CLIMEX, 1994-2000)

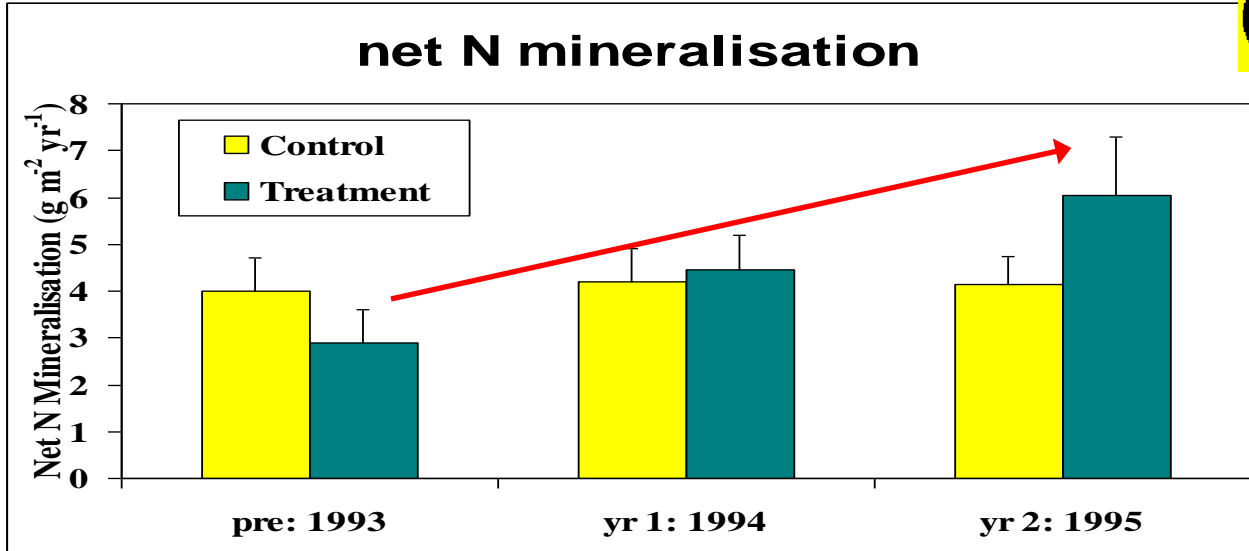
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Risdalsheia	CLIMEX	NORWAY	58.23N, 8.19E	300
Site Description	Project Description	Landuse		
1	0	Forest		
Treatments				
CO2 increase				
Control				
Temperature				
Response name	response type			
Biomass	plant			
Litter production	plant			
Phenology	plant			
Plant C pools	plant			
Plant chemistry	plant			
Plant N pools	plant			
Yield	plant			
Basic climate variables	site			
Deposition	site			
General soil characteristics	site			
Hydrology	site			
C mineralisation	soil			
Soil water chemistry	soil			
Water drainage	soil			
Additional Information:	Extension of the Norwegian acid removal project RAIN. Started in 1995 - ended in 1999. Full catchment "roof" project with "elevated CO2" (as chamber) combined with elevated temperature (air +5/+3), and compared with elevated soil temperature (soil cables) and 3 paired untreated control catchments.			
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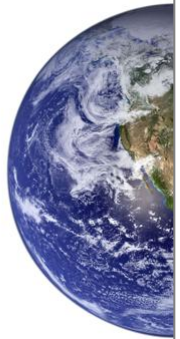
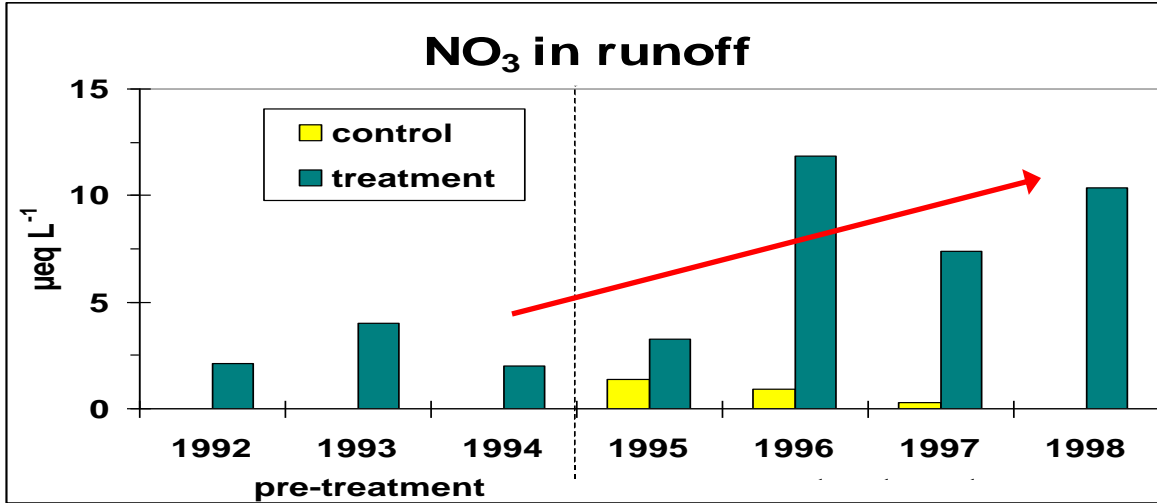
**Experiment on the effect of increased CO₂ (560 ppm)
in combination with increased temperature (+3,5 °C)
- at the ecosystem level (1000 m²)**

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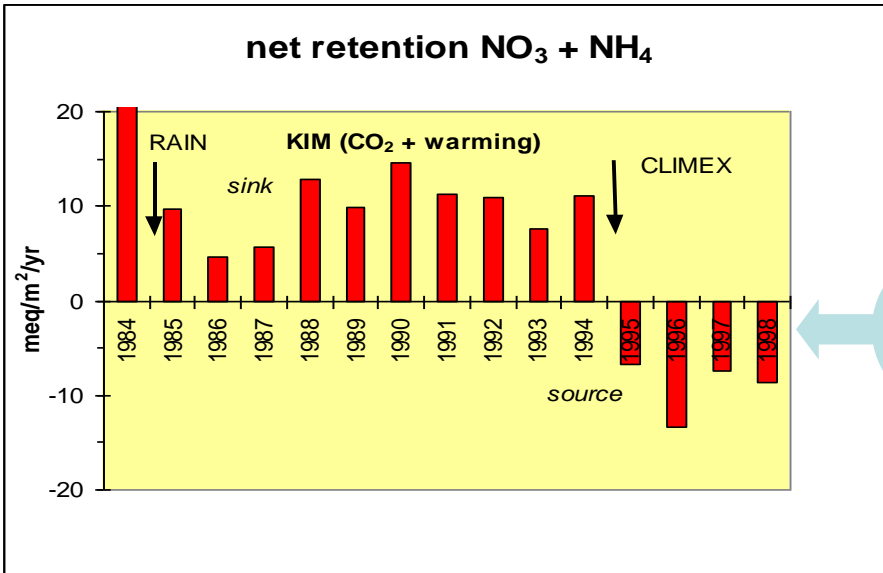




3. Examples of various types of experiments from Europe



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Richard Wright
(coordinator)



The ecosystem is becoming a source of nitrogen

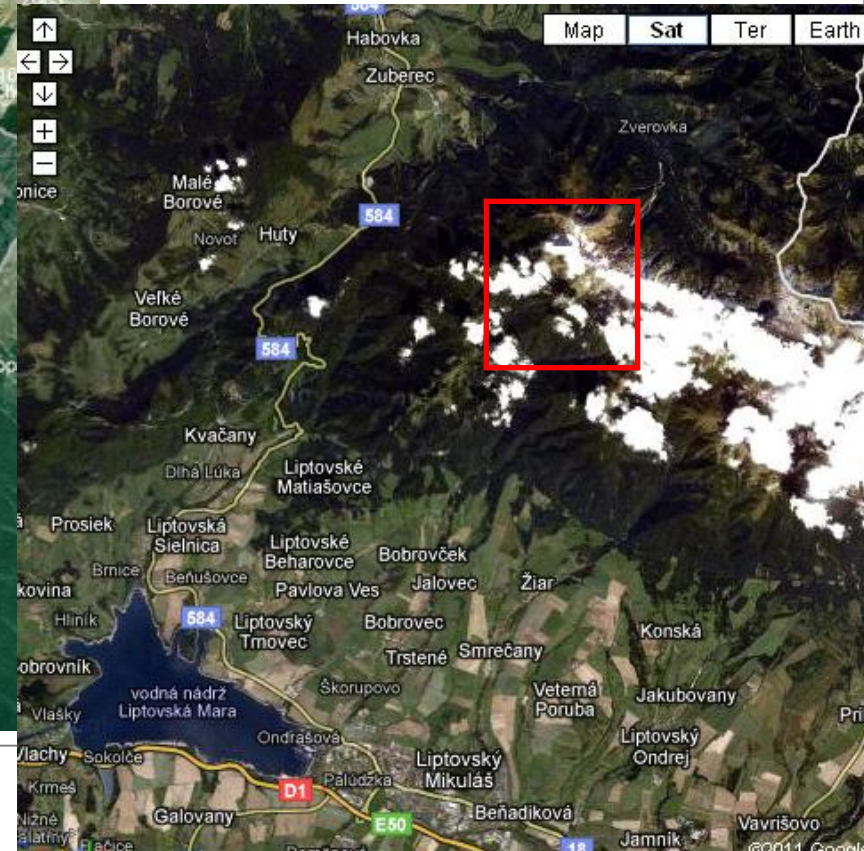


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Salatín, Slovakia (L. Halada)



Altitude 1900 m a.s.l.



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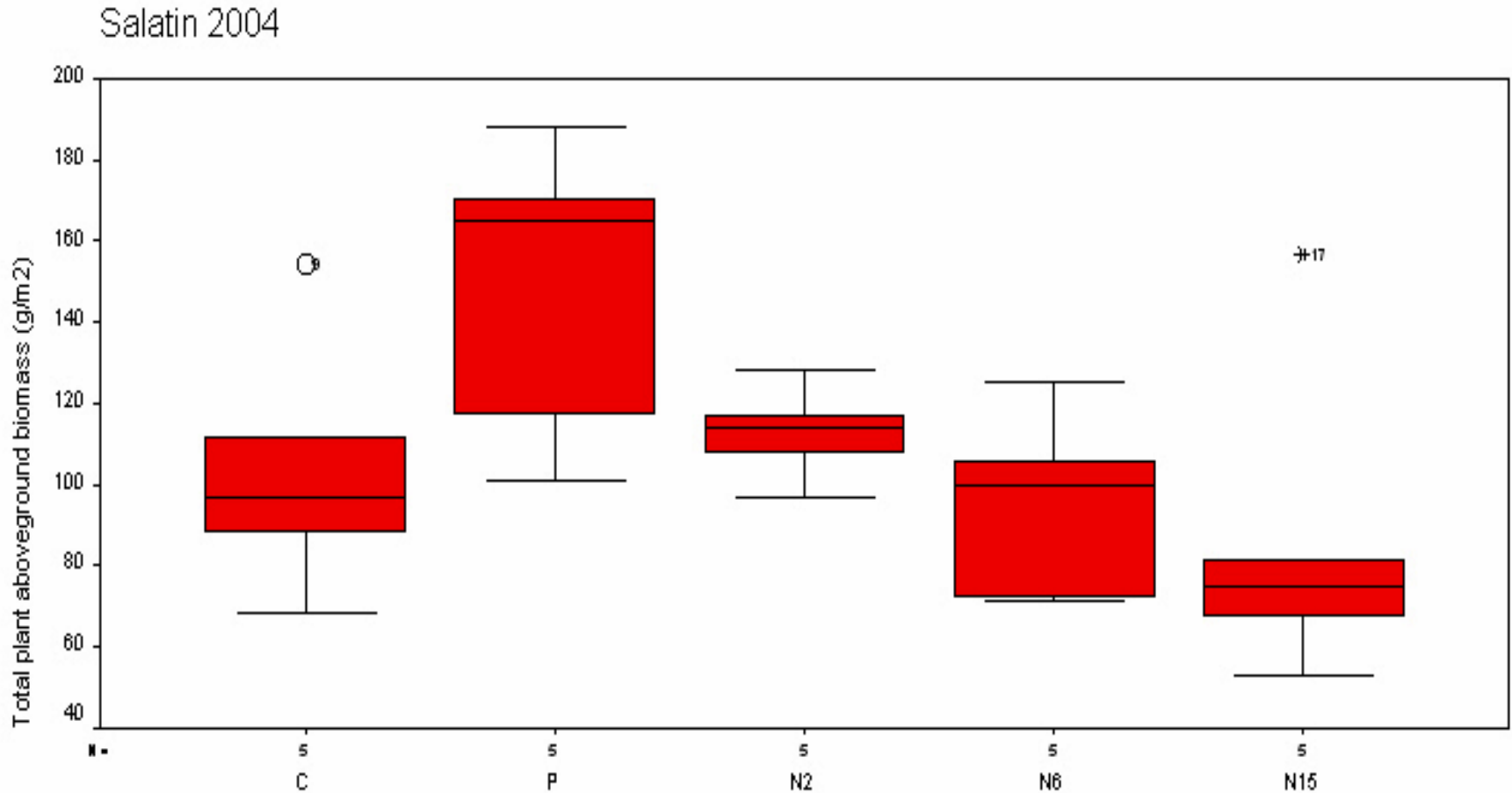
Treatments:
N2 (2 g N m⁻² year⁻¹)
N6, N15,
P (5 g P m⁻² year⁻¹),
K (control)

Monitoring of plant species diversity
Microlyzimeters
Soil analyses
Biomass (nutrients)
Atmospheric depositions
Climatic data



Salatín, Slovakia

Experiment on the effects of nitrogen deposition on alpine grass vegetation



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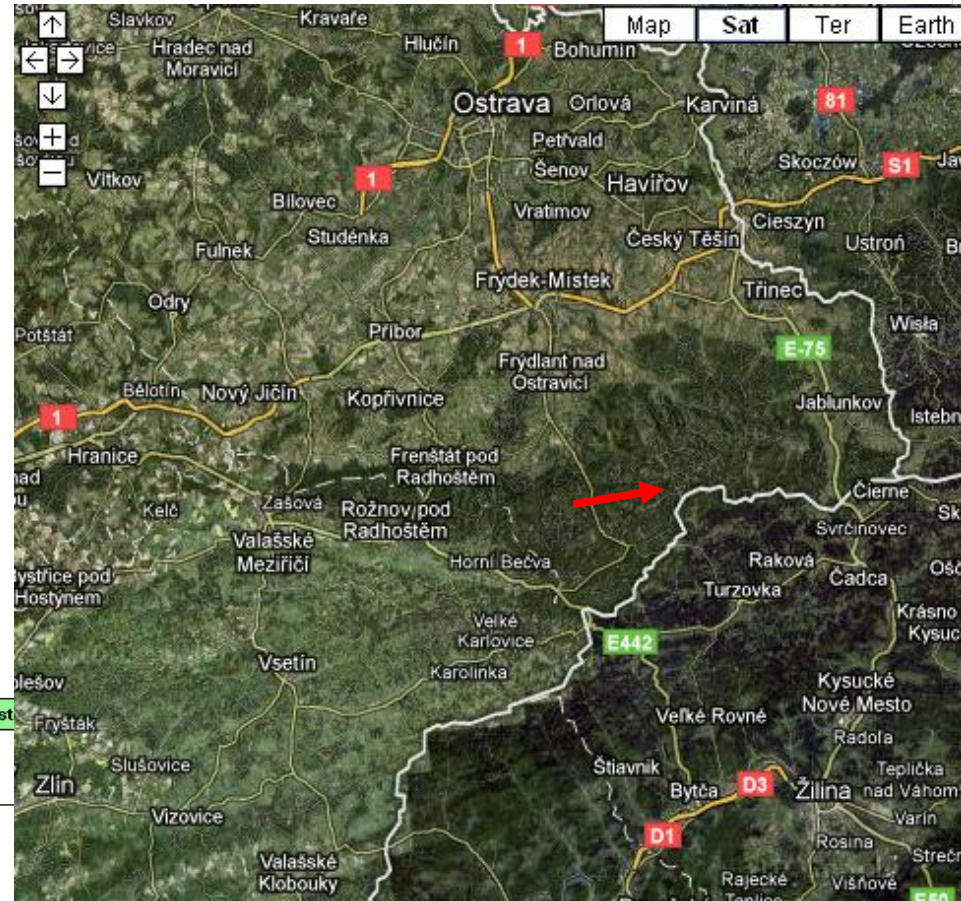


Luboš Halada – Coordinator of the project

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Site name	Project name	Country	Location	Altitude
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Site Description	Project Description	Landuse		
Bílý Kríž (Moravia-Silesian Beskydy Mts.)	Climate change experiment (elevated CO2)- glassdomes. Measurements of responses at the species level.	Forest		
Treatments				
CO2 increase				
Control				
Response name	response type			
Biomass	plant			
Ecophysiology	plant			
LAI	plant			
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Main projects associated with this infrastructure:

AnaEE – Analysis and Experimentation on Ecosystems (2012-2018)

CzechGlobe – Center for Global Climate Change Impacts Studies (2010-2014)

Czech Terra - adaptation of landscape carbon sinks in the context of global change (2007-2011)

CzechCarbo - Carbon cycle study focused on the terrestrial ecosystems in the Czech republic in connection on the CARBOEUROPE project (2003-2007)

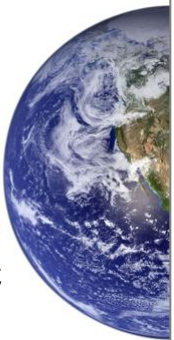
EUROFACE - An integrated European scientific infrastructure for GC studies on forest and agroforest ecosystems utilising FACE technology (2003-2005)

MERCI - Methodological and Experimental Research Centre and Infrastructure for Studies of GCC Impacts on Forests (2003-2004)

CARBOMONT - Effects of land-use changes on sources, sinks and fluxes of carbon in European mountain areas (2002-2004)

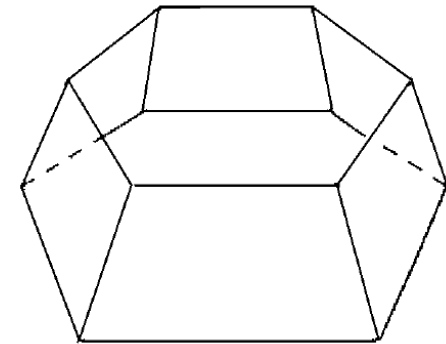
ECOCRAFT II - (1996-1999)

Another national projects

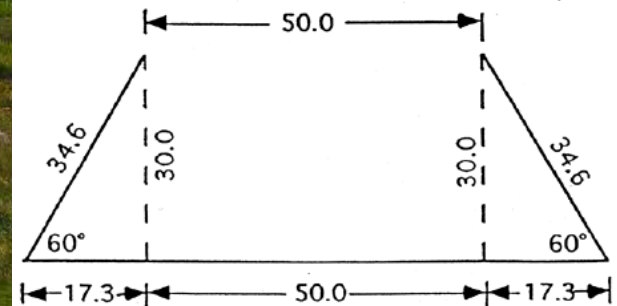


Project Ministry of Education 2007-2011

Changes in alpine ecosystems in the KRNAP, NPR Kralický Sněžník and CHKO Jeseníky in the context of global change (*M. Banaš, M. Zeidler*)



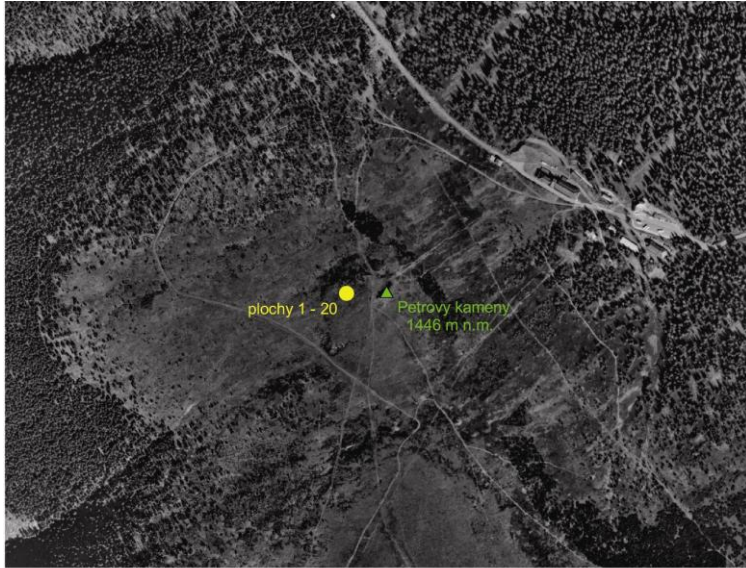
hexagonal OTC's according ITEX (Molau *et* Mølgaard 1996).



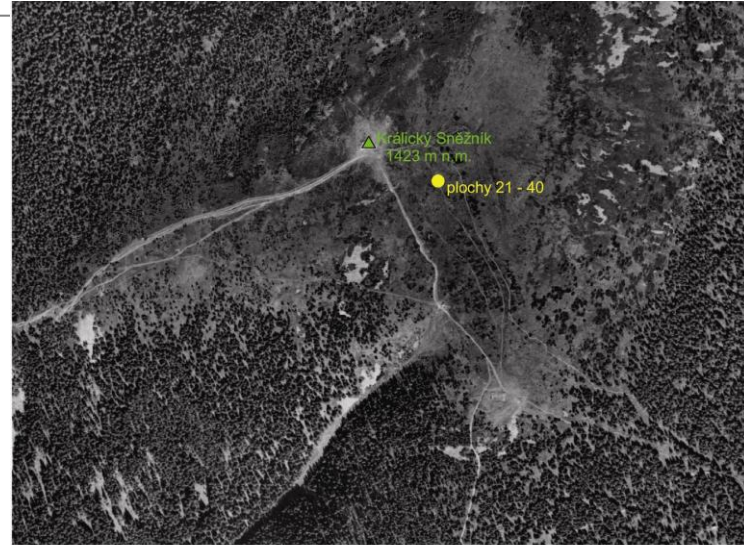
increase of the temperature by 1-3 °C (Henry and Molau 1997).

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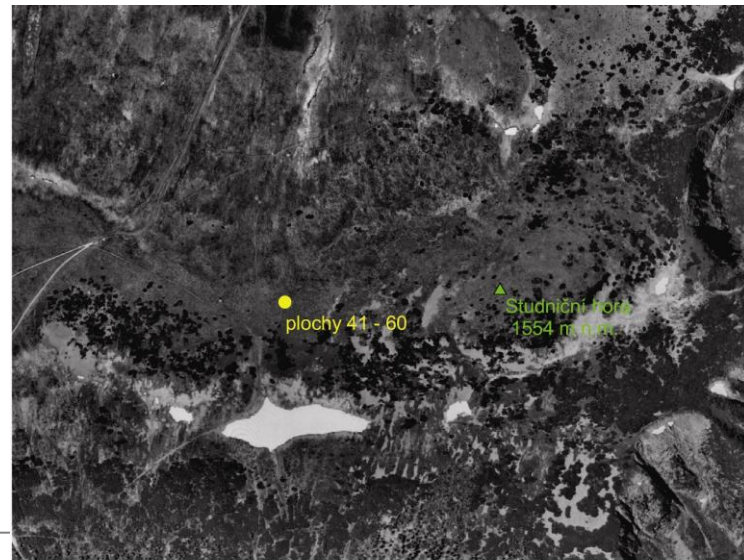
Localities:



(1) Petrovy kameny (Jeseníky)



(2) Kralický Sněžník (SE from the top)



(3) Modré sedlo (Krkonoše)



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Design of the experiment:

Treatments:

warming (OTC),
warming + irrigation (50% of ambient precipitation),
warming + fertilization ($2 \text{ g N m}^{-2} \text{ year}^{-1}$ - NH_4NO_3)
control



Monitoring of plant species diversity

Phenology

Soil analyses

Biomass (nutrients)

Climatic data

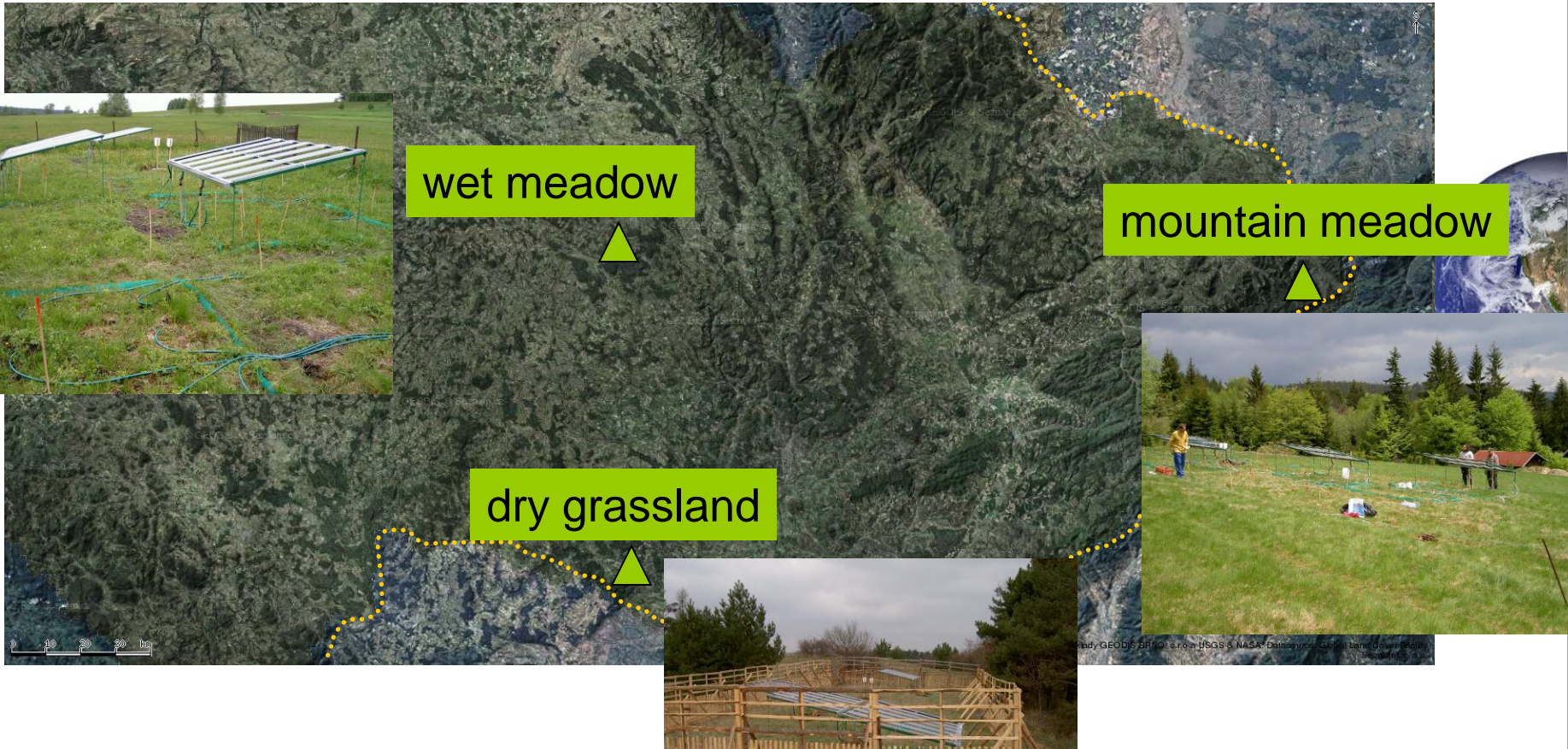
Long-term changes in vegetation



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Project GA CR 2006-2008

Impact of precipitation changes on plant and soil processes in different grassland ecosystems (*K. Fiala*)



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elevation gradient

Lowland site:



Highland site:



Mountain site:



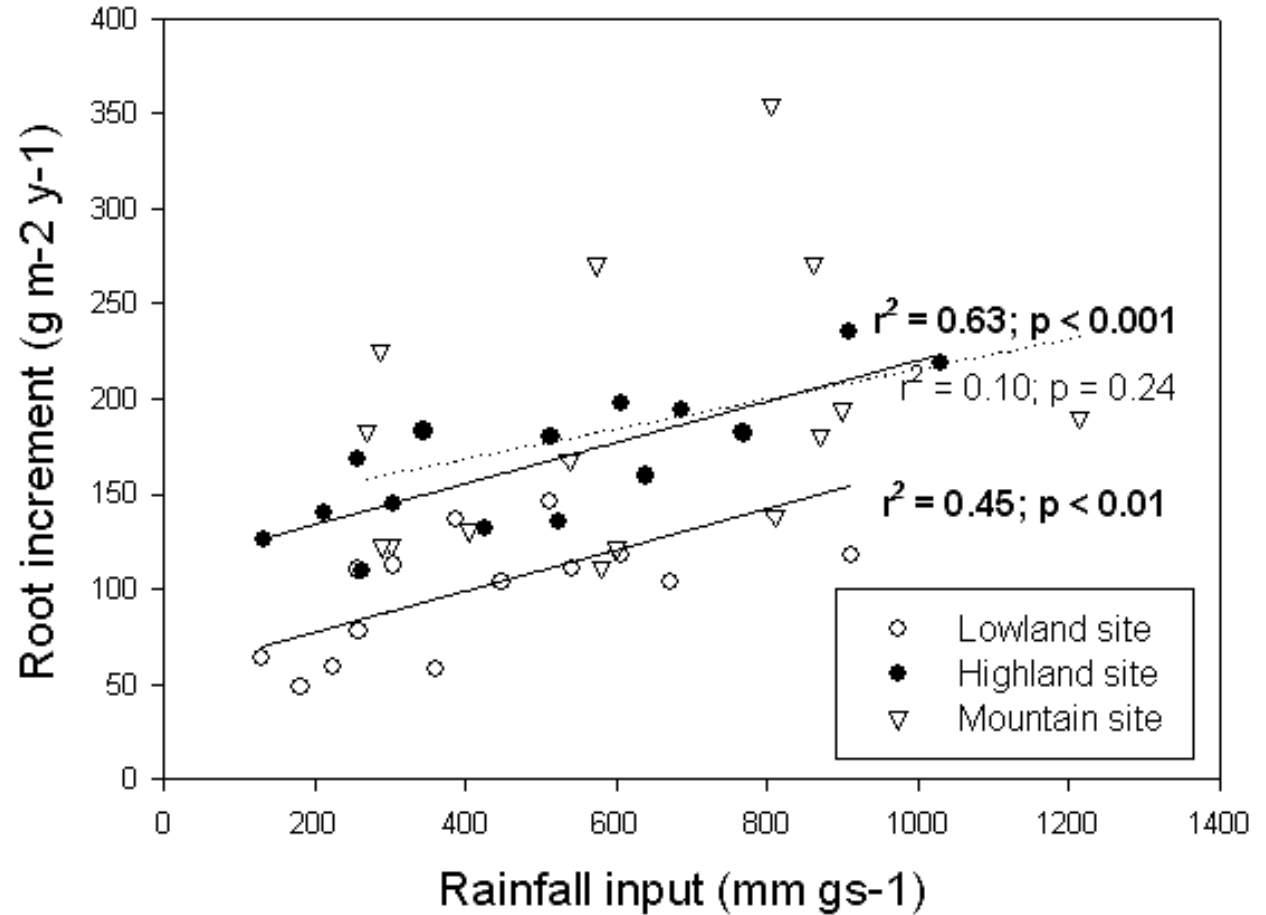
precipitation gradient

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Experiment on the combined effect of drought and UV radiation in mountain grassland (2010-2015)

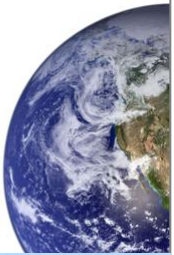
Hypotheses:

Effects of drought and UV has a similar effect on the induction of protective mechanisms of plants. The combined effect of drought and UV has a significant impact in comparison with the effects of individual factors.

Design of the experiment:

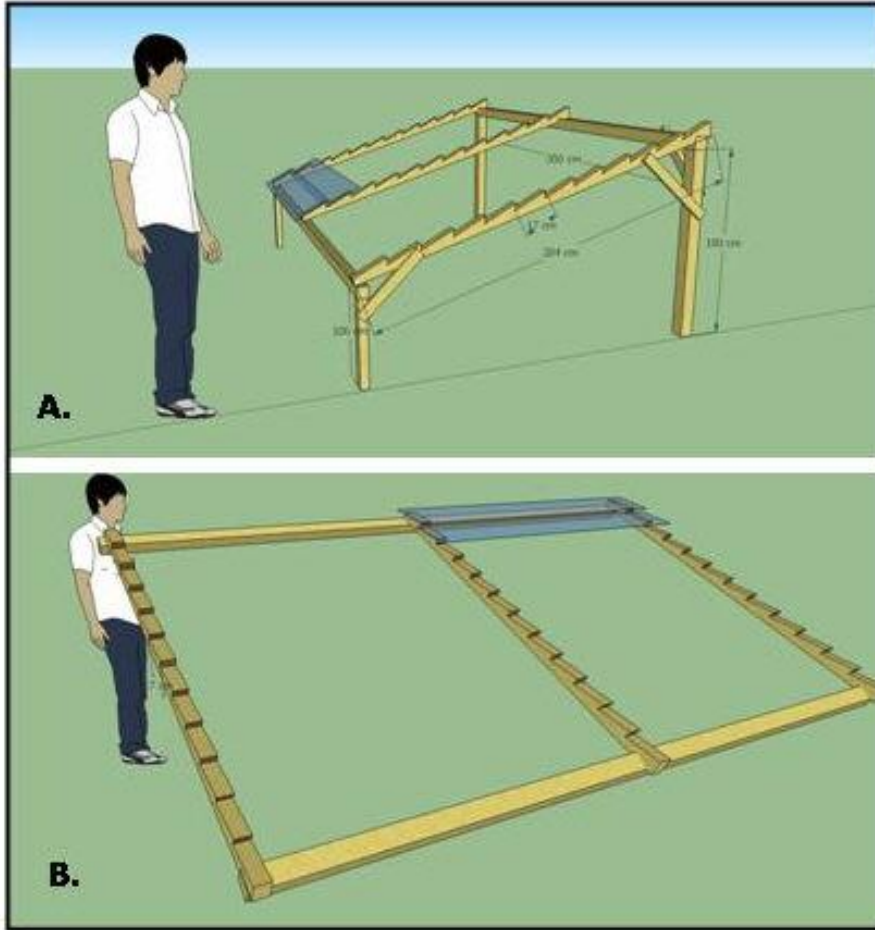
Treatments changing precipitations: drought (4-6 weeks)
control with ambient precipitation

Treatments changing UV radiation: filtered UV (acrylic with filter of UV radiation)
ambient UV (acrylic without filter)



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Experiment on the combined effect of drought and UV radiation in mountain grassland (2010-2015)



control treatment with ambient precipitation

drought treatment for 4-6 weeks

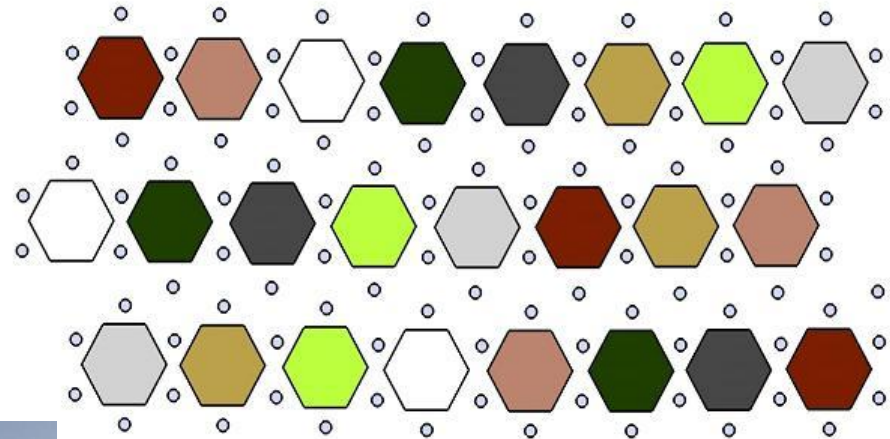


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New infrastructure Domanínek - Experimental station of Plant Ecophysiology in the frame of project CzechGlobe (monitoring of multiple factors simultaneously)

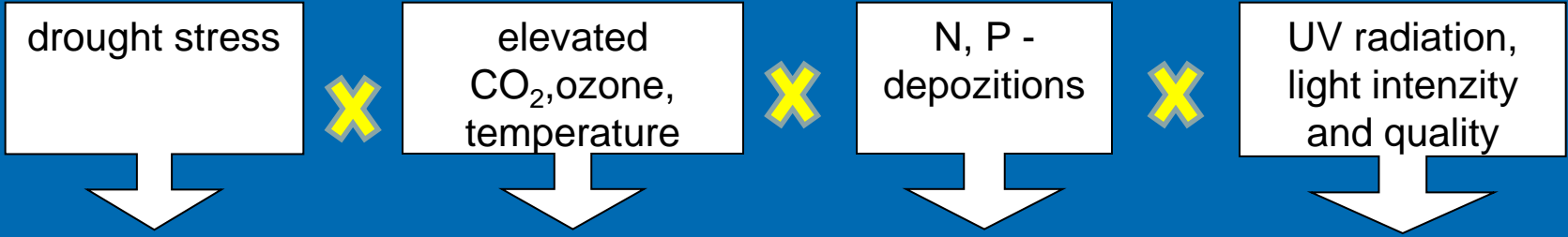
24 Open top chambers (OTC)

Infrastructure allows to monitor the influence of three factors in two levels and their combinations in three replications

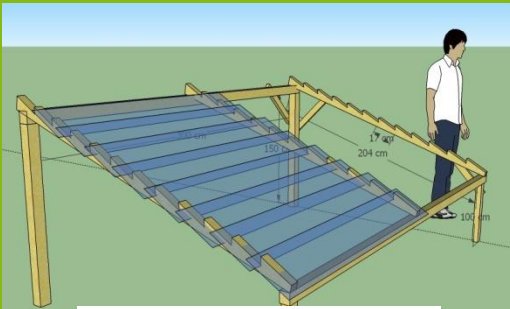


treatment	elevated CO2		nitrogen		drought	
	-	+	-	+	-	+
1 (---)	✓		✓		✓	
2 (+++)		✓		✓		✓
3 (--+)	✓		✓			✓
4 (-+-)	✓			✓	✓	
5 (+--)		✓	✓		✓	
6 (-++)	✓			✓		✓
7 (++-)		✓		✓	✓	
8 (+-+)		✓	✓			✓

Environmental factors in the global climatic changes and their interaction



Manipulative experiments



experimental roofs



„glass domes“



units with modulated UV



open-top chambers



pot and field experiments



growth chambers

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