

Calibration and validation of the model Biome-BGCMuSo for simulation of SOC change in oak forests in Europe - results from STSM in Zvolen

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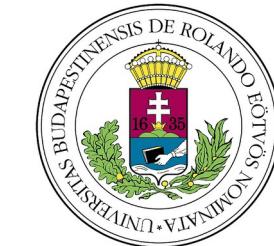
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SOC MODELLING – BiomeBGCMuSo



Biogeochemical model with Multilayer Soil module (Hidy et al. 2016)

Inputs:

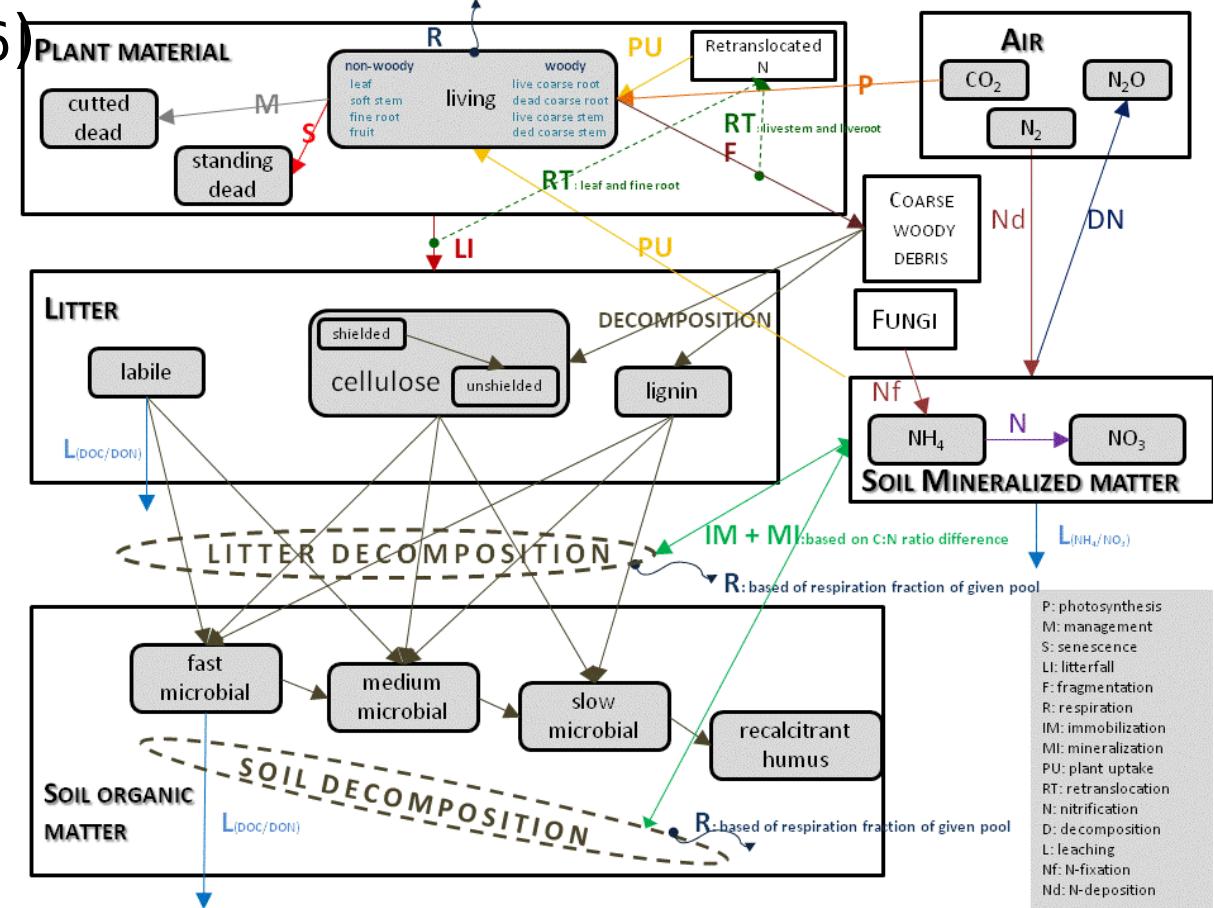
- daily meteorology - FORESEE DB
- yearly CO₂ and Ndep
- plant ecophysiological parameters
- soil characteristics
- site characteristics
- management

Outputs:

- daily
- annual

Calibrated with eddy-covariance data:

RBBGCMuSo forest (oak) package – CRO – for previous model versions



CALIBRATION



Calibration dataset

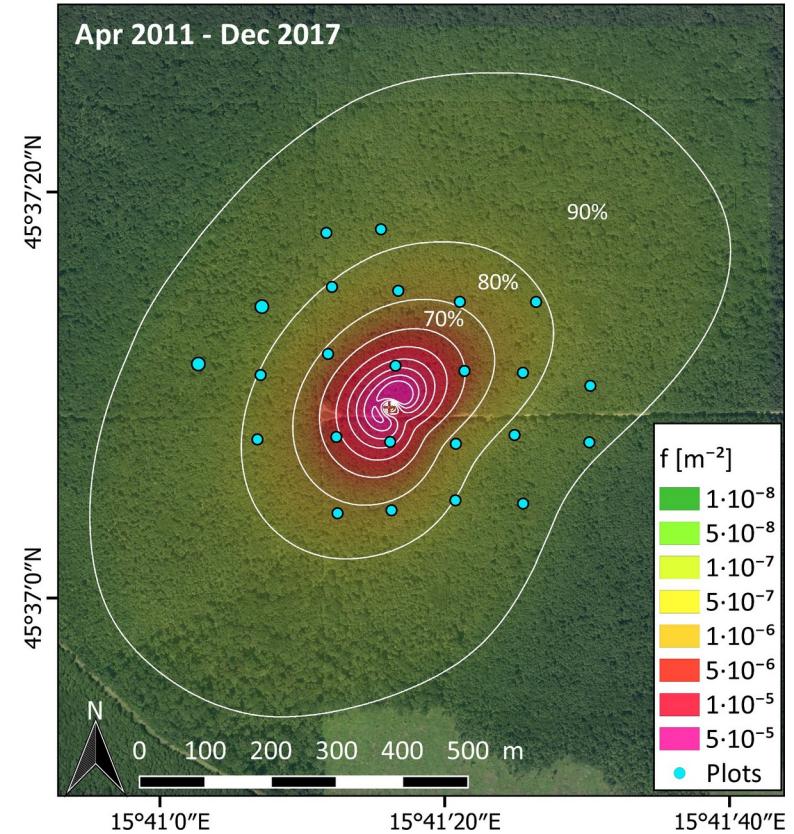
EDDY-COVARIANCE SITE (Anić et al. 2018)

High-frequency C fluxes (10-year data)

- Net Ecosystem Exchange (**NEE**)
- Gross Primary Productivity (**GPP**)
- Ecosystem Respiration (**RECO**)

Long-term C stocks

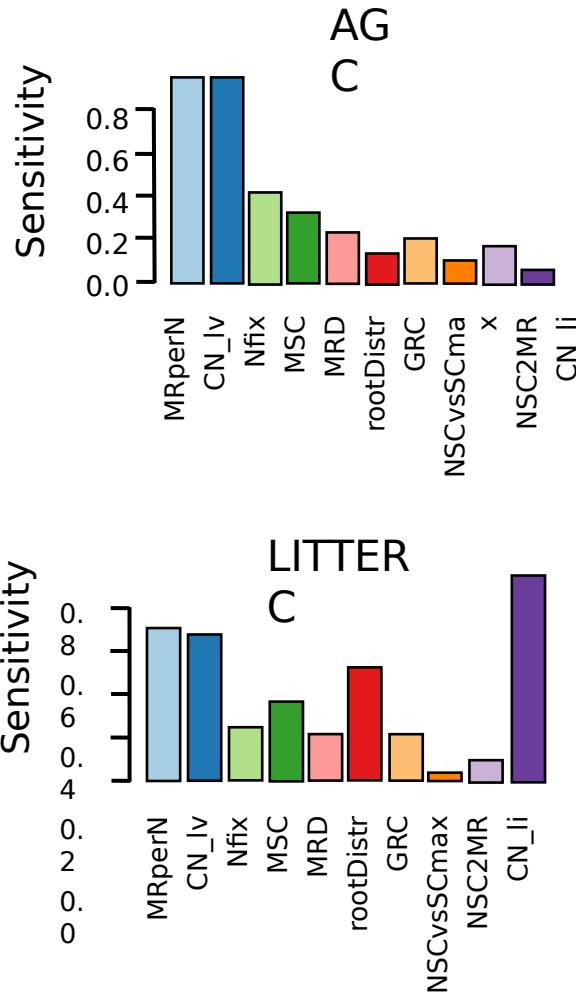
- Aboveground Live Wood (**AGC**)
- Litter (**LITTERC**)
- Mineral Soil Carbon in the top 30 cm (**SOC₃₀**)



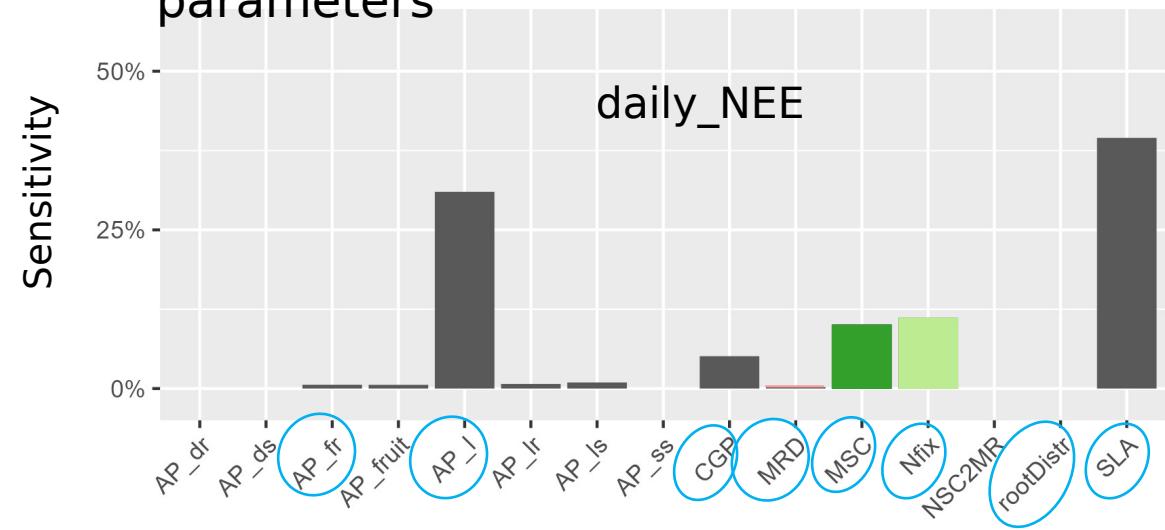
Eddy-covariance (EC) tower in Jastrebarsko lowland pedunculate oak forest and permanent measurement plots in the footprint of the EC tower

SENSITIVITY

- ① Sensitivity of selected output variables to changes in a **single** eco-physiological parameter



- ② Sensitivity of daily NEE to changes in a selected **group** of eco-physiological parameters

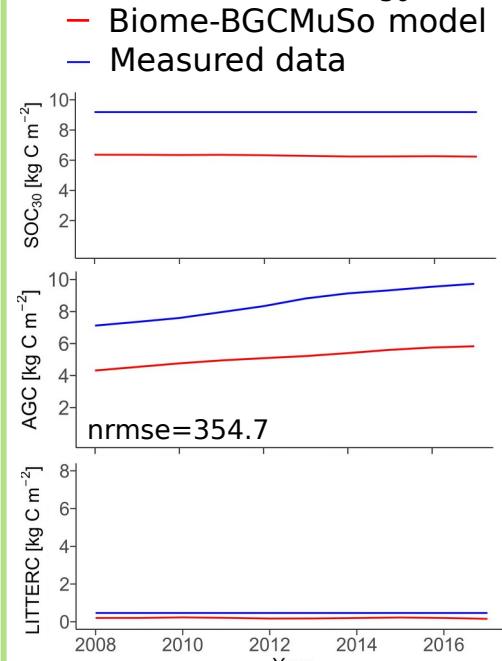


Which influential parameters to select?

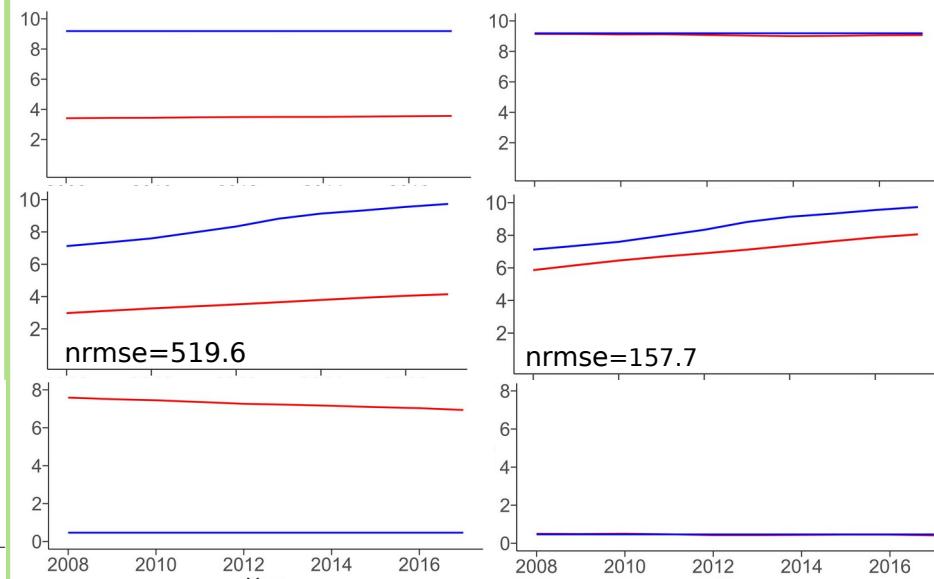
CALIBRATION

- generalized likelihood uncertainty estimation (GLUE) optimization method with likelihood (LH) function defined as
 - A)** before the calibration (green square)
 - B1)** after the calibration of daily NEE only
 - B2)** after the multi-variable calibration of daily NEE, and annual AGC,

SOC₃₀ and LITTERC

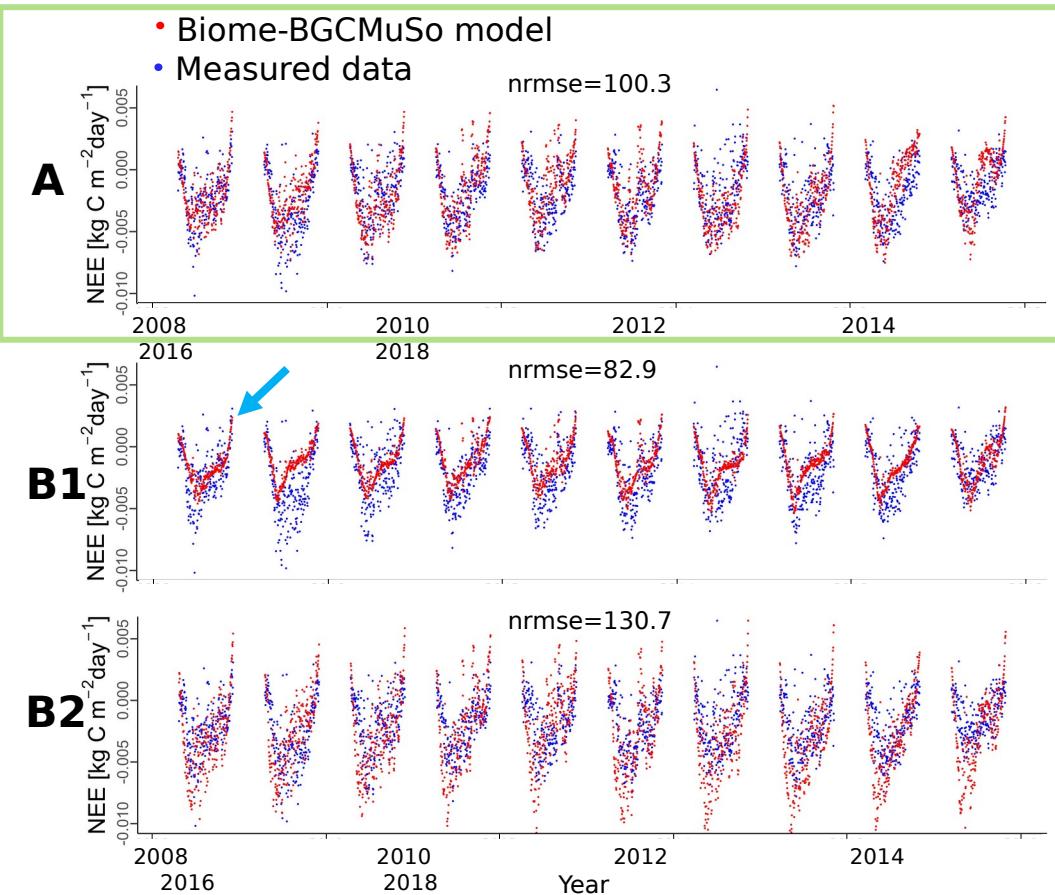


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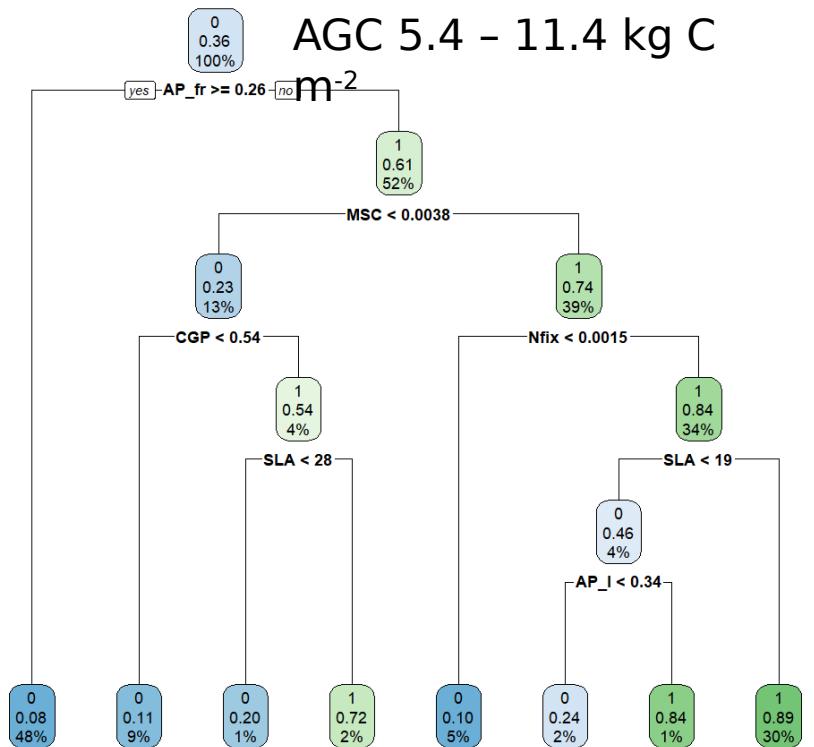
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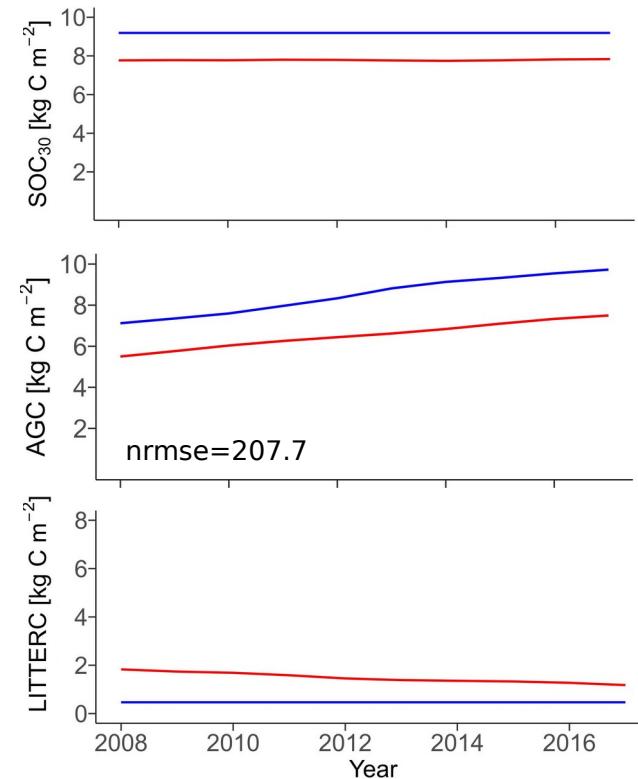
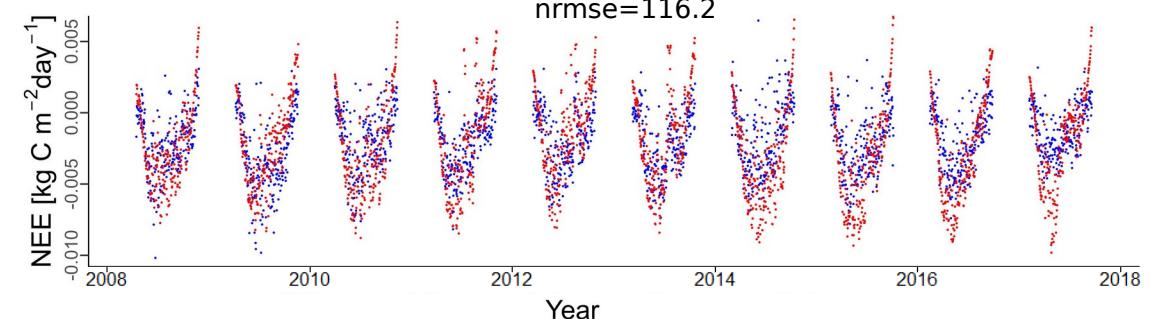
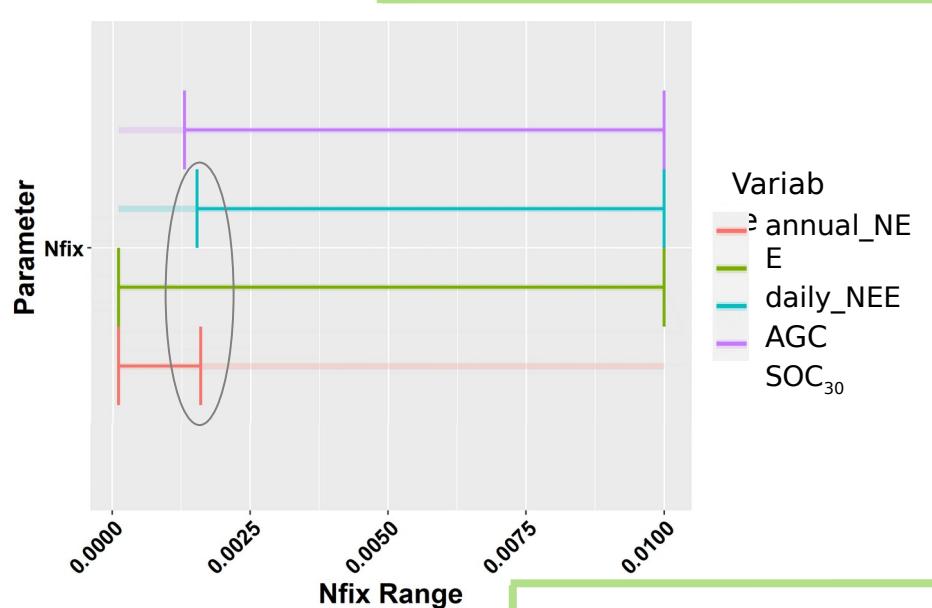
How to constrain selected influential parameters?

CALIBRATION

- modified Conditional interval reduction (CIR) method (Hollos et al. 2022)



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RootD	3.6700	3.6422
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CGP	0.5000	0.5383
AP_I	0.2580	0.2024
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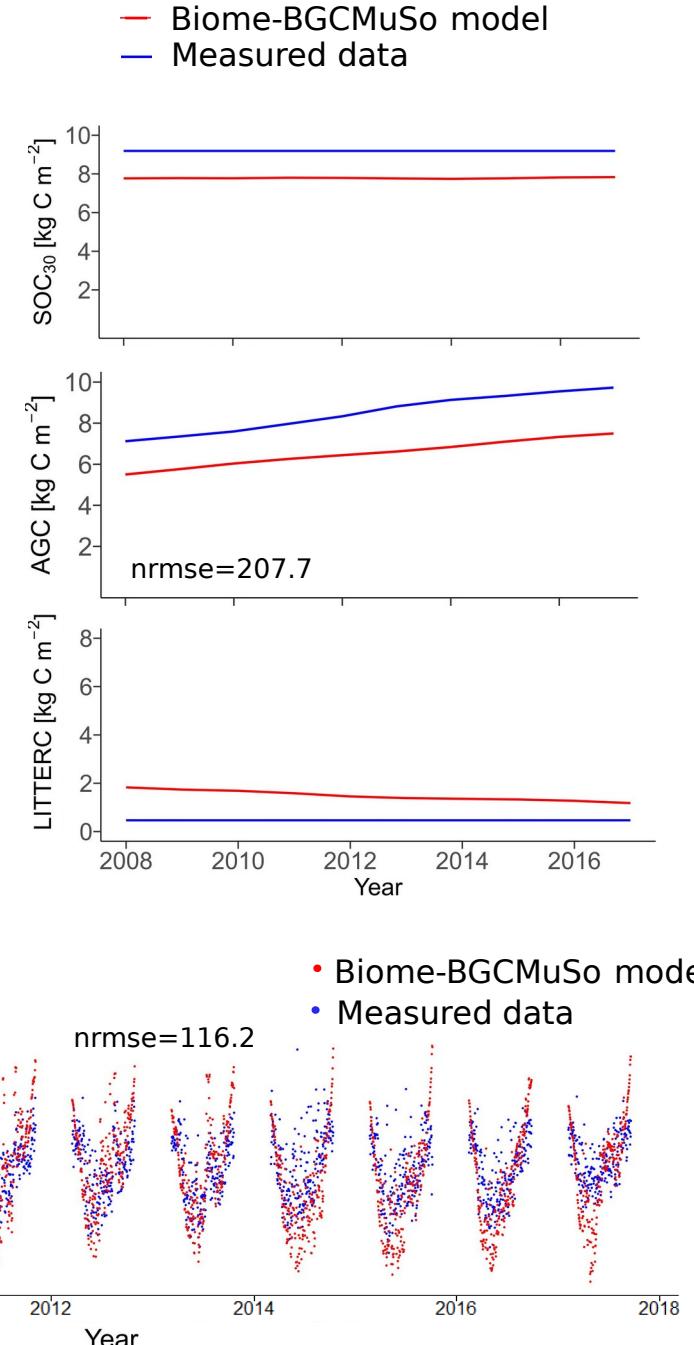


- Biome-BGCMuSo model
- Measured data

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During a calibration process, it is important to take into account datasets with a different temporal resolution!

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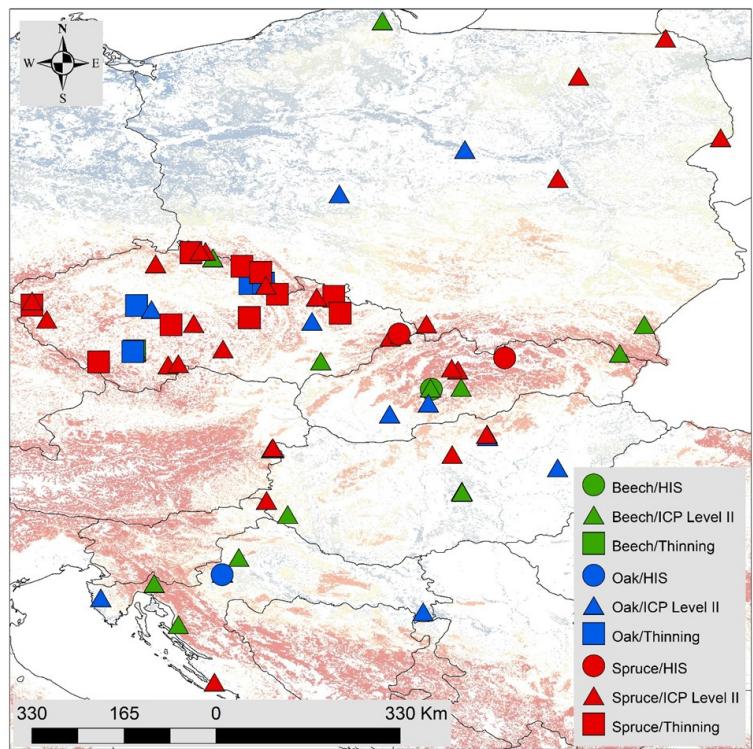
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Validation dataset

CHRONOSEQUENCE EXPERIMENT (Ostrogović

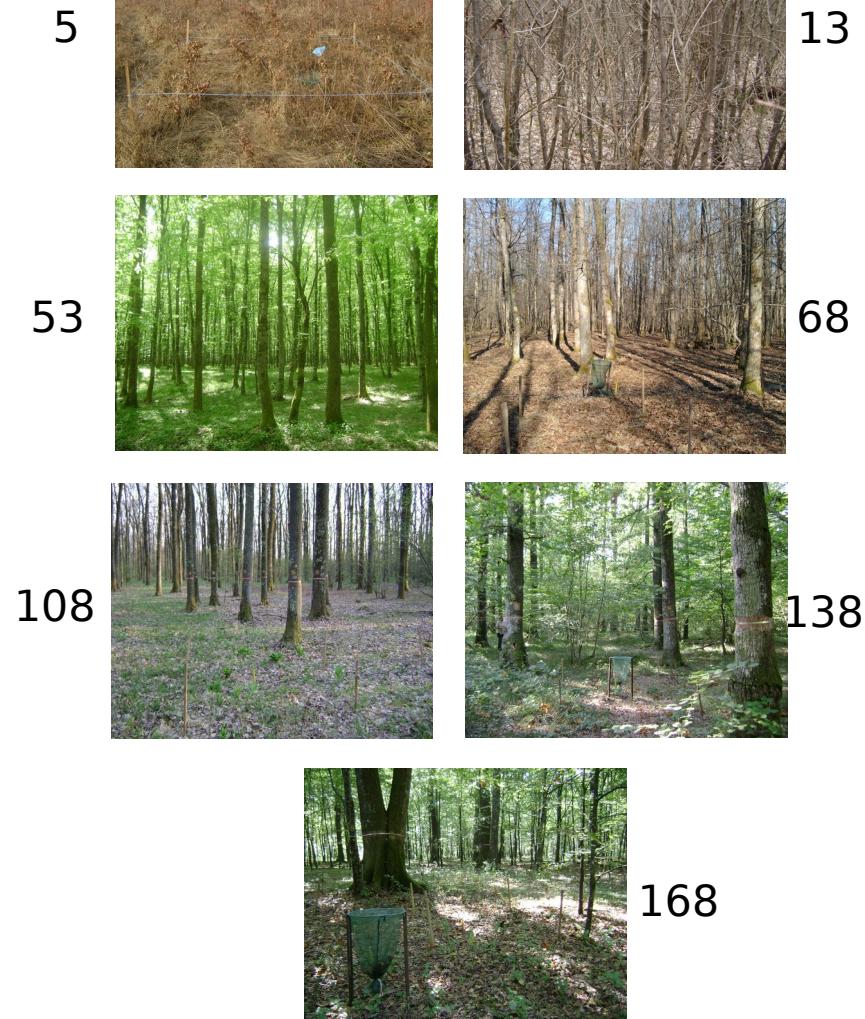
Sever et al. 2019)

Long-term C stocks - AGC, LITTERC and SOC₃₀



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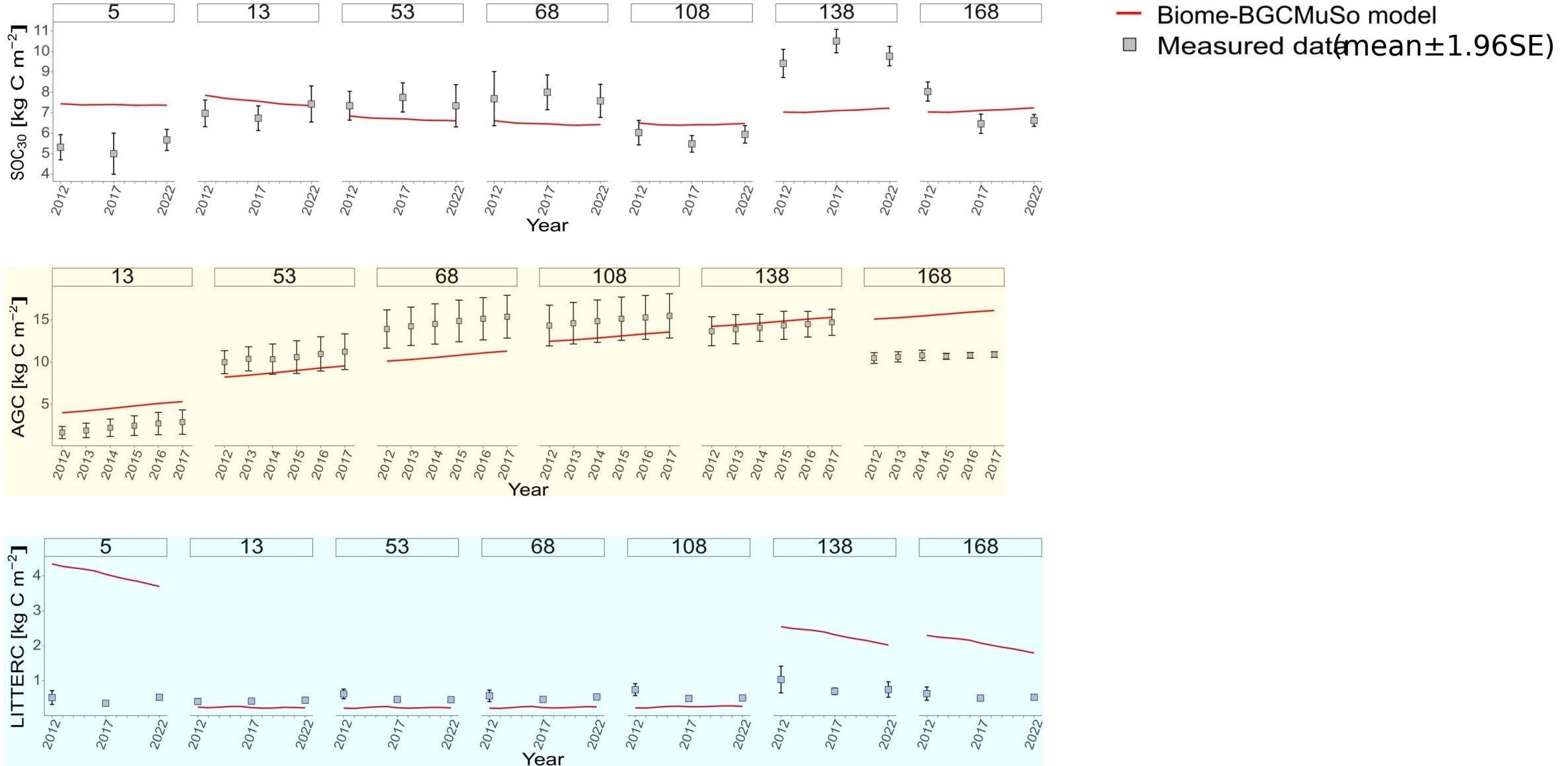
Long-term C stocks - AGC, LITTERC, SOC and Coarse Woody Debris Carbon (CWDC)



Seven stands aged from 5 to 168 years in Jastrebarsko oak forest (in 2012)

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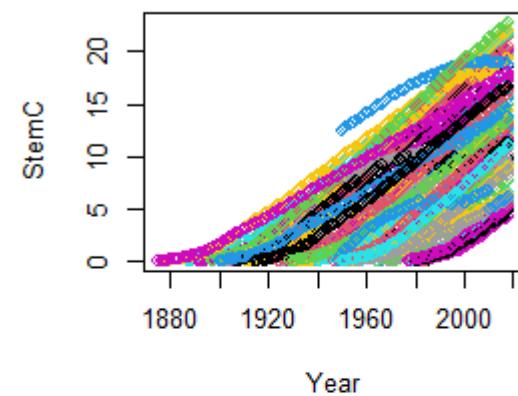
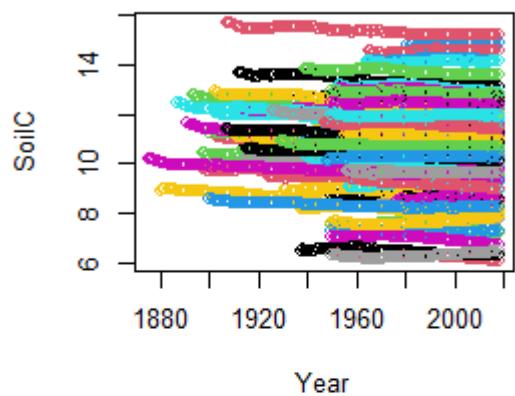
① CHRONOSEQUENCE EXPERIMENT



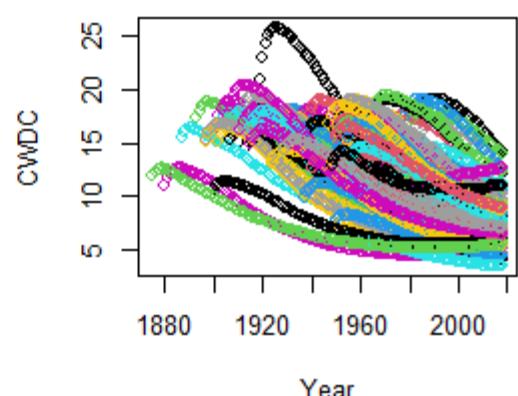
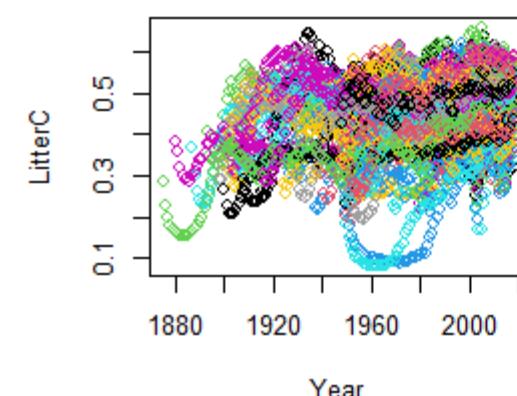
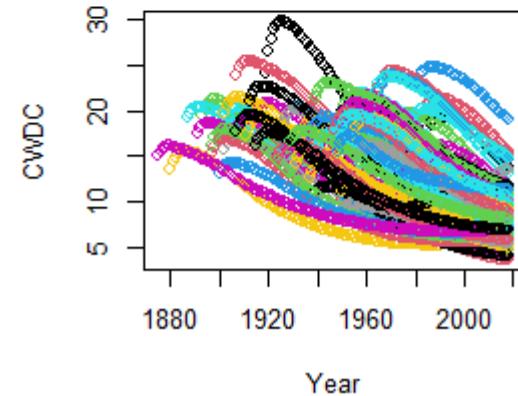
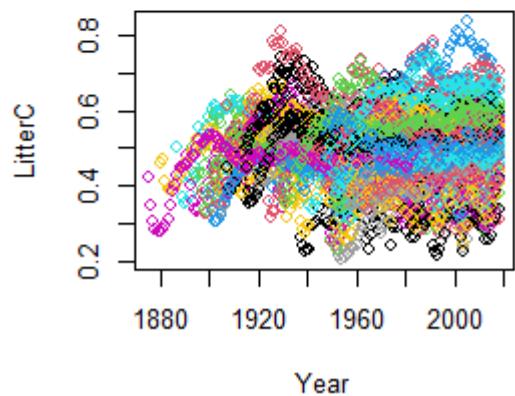
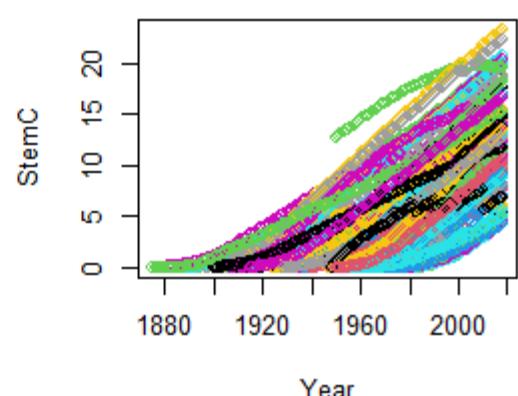
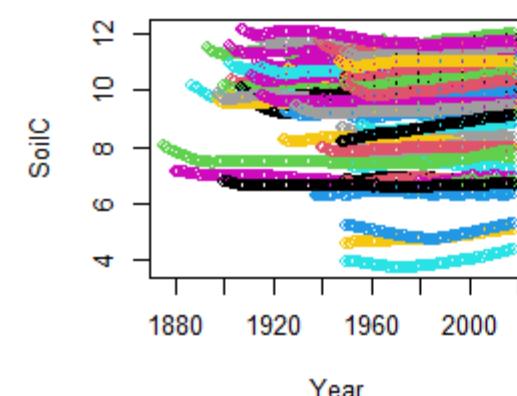
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② EVA PLOTS, CZU

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*“What I love about science is that as you learn, you don’t really get answers.
You just get better questions.”*

John Green

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