

CropM

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Progress overview

Frank Ewert, Reimund Roetter and WP leaders

MACSUR Mid-term Meeting, Sassari, 1st - 4th April 2014

Demand for Crop Modelling

- Better understanding of crop growth and yield
 - Under climate change
 - Improving food security
 - Policy and decision support
- Impact assessments:
 - To reduce risks of production
 - To identify adaptation and mitigation options
 - To allow integrated assessment (bio-physical and socio-economic)
 - To allow multi-scale assessment (from field, to farm, region and continent)

Issues in Crop Modelling

- Model intercomparison
- Generation of new data for model improvement
- Methods for scaling
- Uncertainty analysis
- Building research capacity
- Climate scenario data for crop models

Key ambition (scientific excellence)

- To develop methods for a European comprehensive impact assessment of climate change and policy on European crop production and food security.
- To develop first shared continental assessment and tool
 - (Full) range of important crops
 - Important crop rotations
 - Advanced scaling methods
 - State-of-the-art scenario construction
 - Novel impact uncertainty assessment and reporting
 - Advanced link to farm and sector models
- To train integrative crop modeller

Networking /communication

CropM at international conferences:

- AgMIP global workshop in Rome/FAO Oct 2012
- AgMIP global workshop in New York Oct 2013
- Climate Smart Agriculture conference at UC Davis /CA ,March 2013
- Impacts World 2013 at Potsdam /PIK, May 2013
- First Internat. Conference on Global Food Security, Noordwijkerhout, NL, Sep 2013
- **CropM International Symposium & workshop**, Oslo, Norway, 10-12 February 2014
- **MACSUR Mid-term Meeting**, Sassari, Italy, 1-4 April 2014

Networking /communication

CropM at international conferences (upcomming):

- **AgMIP Wheat Symposium and Workshop** on Modeling Wheat Under Changing Environment , Clermont-Ferrand, France, 1-4 April 2014
- **5th Annual AgMIP Global Workshop, 2014**
- **Breedings Crops for better coping with Climate Change, Leeds, 2014**
- **5th Farming Systems Design Symposium, Montpellier, France, 2015**
- ...

Integration, Impact Assessment Modelling (IAM)

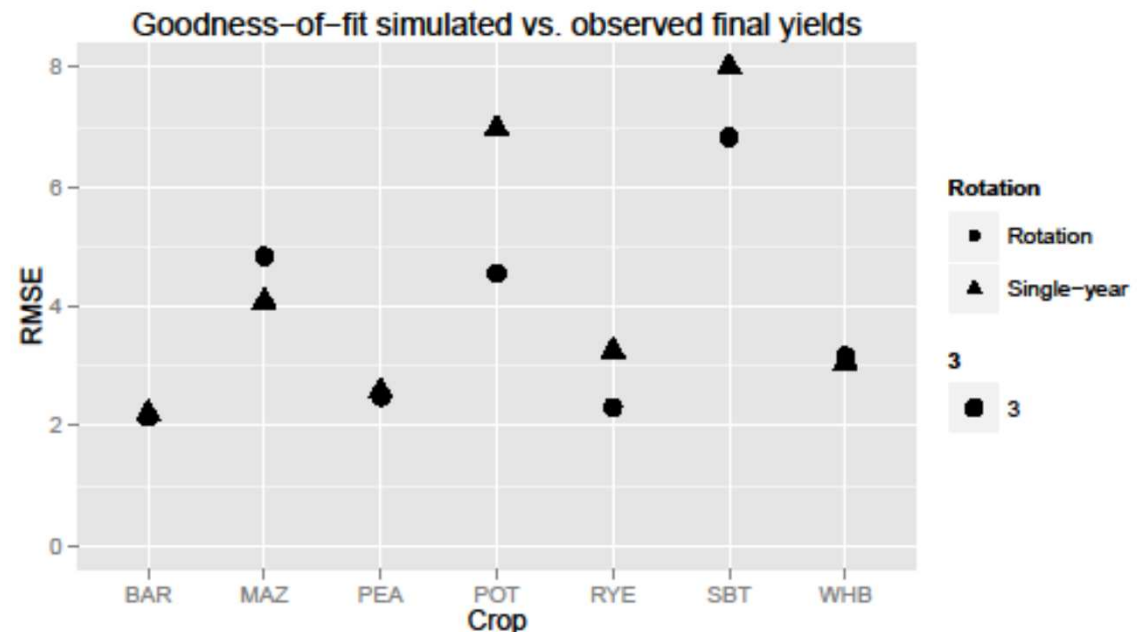
*Regional pilots /integrated studies 3 show-cases
(Fi-Au-It) stakeholder consultations*

CropM WP1: Model inter-comparison and improvement

- WP leaders: K Christian Kersebaum, M Bindi
- Objectives:
 - Identification of **major cropping systems** and model capabilities in **Europe**
 - Common **protocol for model inter-comparisons** and a methodological framework for multi-criteria model evaluation
 - Minimum requirements and **classification of data** sets depending on data quality and consistency to be used for calibration or validation
 - **Model inter-comparisons** for uncalibrated and calibrated runs
 - Identifying gaps and deficits

Simulations (12 models, 5 locations) of crop rotations vs. single crops

> See this conference, day 2



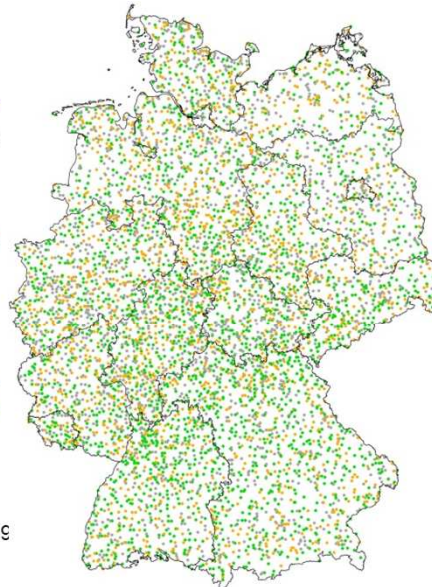
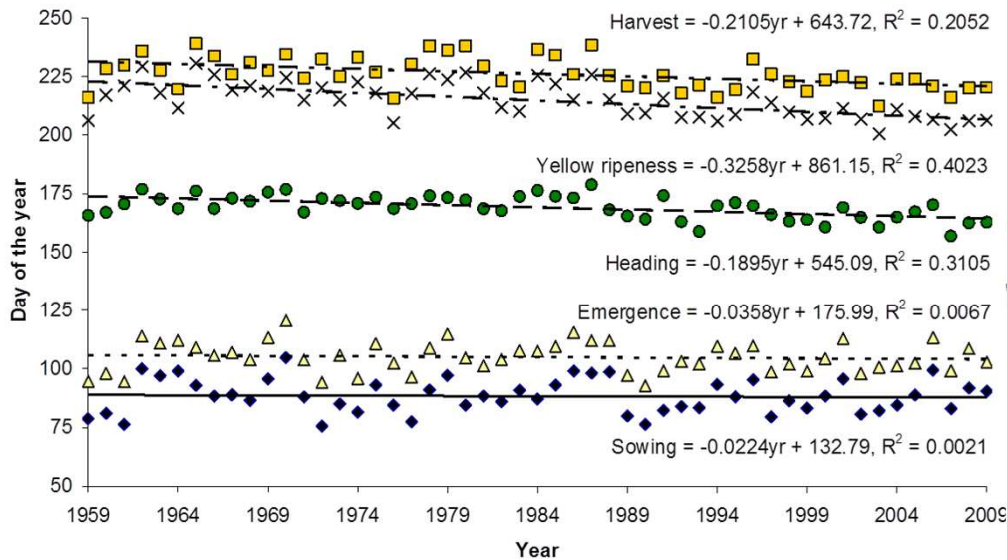
CropM WP1: Model inter-comparison and improvement

- **MAIN ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:**

| Specific outputs | Responsible persons | Partners involved | Timeline |
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| Data set evaluation and classification for model testing (software/paper) | C. Kersebaum C. Nendel, J.S. Jorgenson | Olesen, Bindi, Boote, Kollas, Rötter, Gaiser, Ruget, Frühauf, Trnka.. | Paper submitted on 5.2.2014 to EMS Software ready |
| Protocol for model inter-comparison | Taru Palosuo | K. C. Kersebaum | finished |
| Analysis of first runs on crop rotations | C. Kersebaum C. Kollas | 18 modelling teams | 1. March first run, June second run finalised |
| Protocoll and methodol. framework for multi-criteria model evaluation | M. Acutis G. Bellocchi | WP C1 and WP L2 members | Test and analysis using inter-comparison outputs by end 2014 |
| Preliminary data set and crop modelling evaluation for a model intercomparison on grapevine | Marco Bindi | F. Spanna, C. Cassardo, M. Ruiz-Ramos, C. Kersebaum, Inaki Garcia de Cortazar Aauri, C. Nendel | Preliminary simulations by the end of 2014 |

CropM WP2: Data management

- WP leaders: JE Olesen, M Trnka
- Objectives:
 - **Data management** for assessments of crop models at different scales
 - **Protocols for new experimental data** and for data collection and storage
 - **Web-based interface for data exchange**
 - Procedures for **visualizing model inputs and outputs**
 - Derive **statistical relationships for crop performance**



-14 days
(sowing-yellow ripe)
-17 days
(yellow ripeness)

Oats
Germany
1959-2008
6000 stations

CropM WP2: Data management

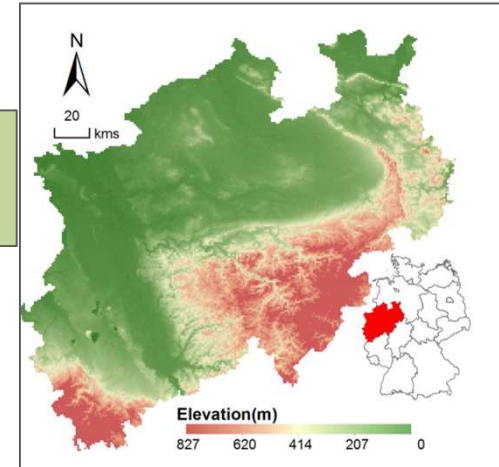
- MAIN ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES:**

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| Data sharing and publishing agreement | J.E. Olesen | Kersebaum, Trnka | Collecting agreements from partners |
| Website for data storage and sharing | J.G. Hansen | Olesen, Kollas, Jorgenson | In operation |
| Protocol for field experimentation | M. Trnka | Olesen | Finished |
| Overview of experimental data for modelling | J.E. Olesen M. Trnka | | Finished |
| Protocols for data publishing | S. Janssen | | Proposal |
| Data collection and analysis for oilseed rape | B. Sharif | Trnka, Kersebaum | Ongoing |
| Analysis of extremes for wheat in Europe | M. Trnka | Ramos, Rötter, Kersebaum, Olesen, Semenov | In press Nature CC |

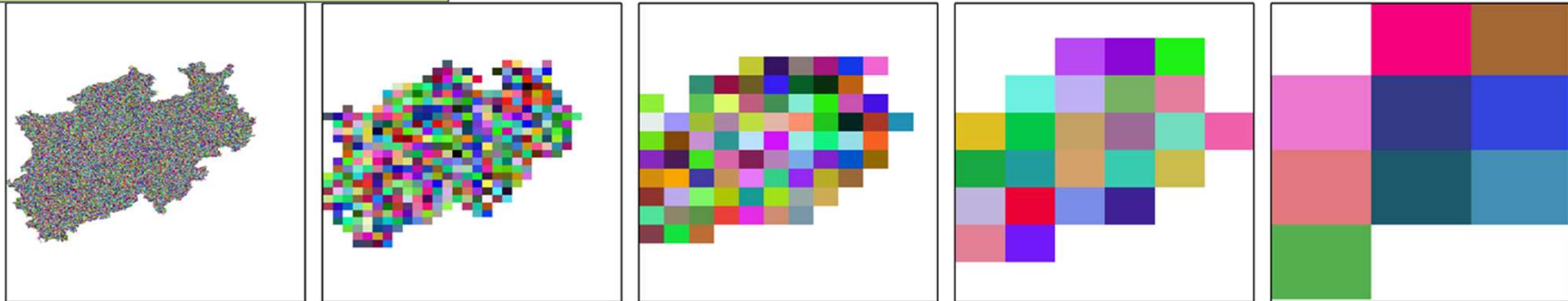
CropM WP3: Methods of scaling and model linking

- WP leaders: FA Ewert, M van Ittersum, S Janssen
- Objectives:
 - Overview of scaling methods
 - Evaluation of scaling methods
 - Approaches to link crop models for integrated assessment

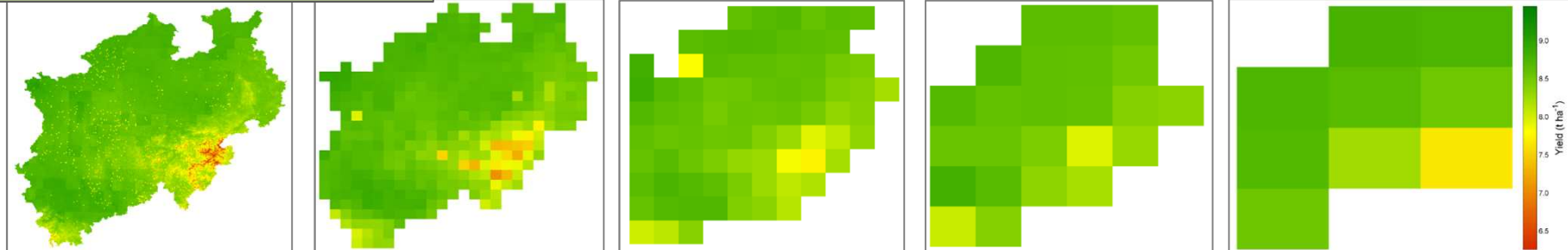
Scaling exercise



Aggregation of input data



Yield (wheat) response



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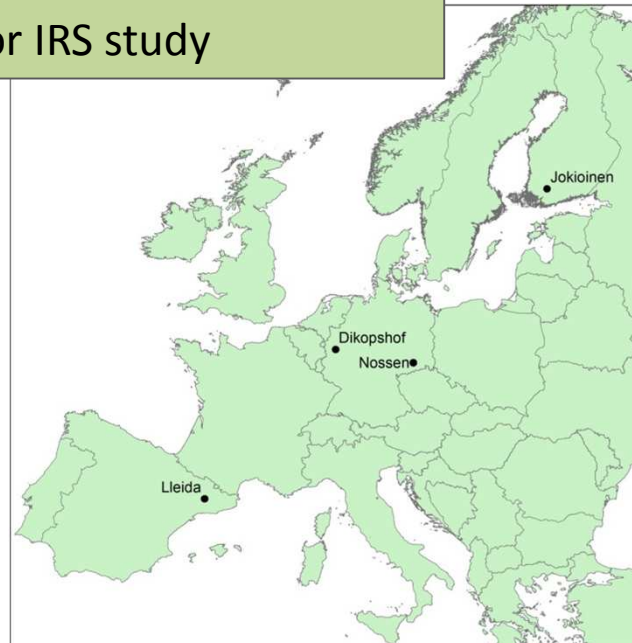
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| Review of Scaling methods | L Van Bussel, F Ewert, | WP3 partners | Summer 2014 |
| Effect of scaling methods for simulating crop yield | H Hoffmann | Constantin, Dechow, Eckersten, Ewert, Gaiser, Grosz, Haas, Hoffmann, Kuhnert, Kiese, Nendel, Raynal, Roer, Sosa, Specka, Teixeira, Wallach, Wang, Zhao | Summer 2014 |
| Effect of scaling methods for simulating water cycles | G Zhao | Constantin, Dechow, Eckersten, Ewert, Gaiser, Grosz, Haas, Hoffmann, Kuhnert, Kiese, Nendel, Raynal, Roer, Sosa, Specka, Teixeira, Wallach, Wang, Zhao | Summer 2014 |
| Effect of scaling methods for simulating SOC | M Kuhnert | Constantin, Dechow, Eckersten, Ewert, Gaiser, Grosz, Haas, Hoffmann, Kuhnert, Kiese, Nendel, Raynal, Roer, Sosa, Specka, Teixeira, Wallach, Wang, Zhao | Autumn 2014 |
| Effect of scaling methods for simulating nitrogen dynamics | E Haas | Constantin, Dechow, Eckersten, Ewert, Gaiser, Grosz, Haas, Hoffmann, Kuhnert, Kiese, Nendel, Raynal, Roer, Sosa, Specka, Teixeira, Wallach, Wang, Zhao | Autumn 2014 |
| Crop model integration methods for IAM | M van Ittersum | WP3 partners | End 2014 |

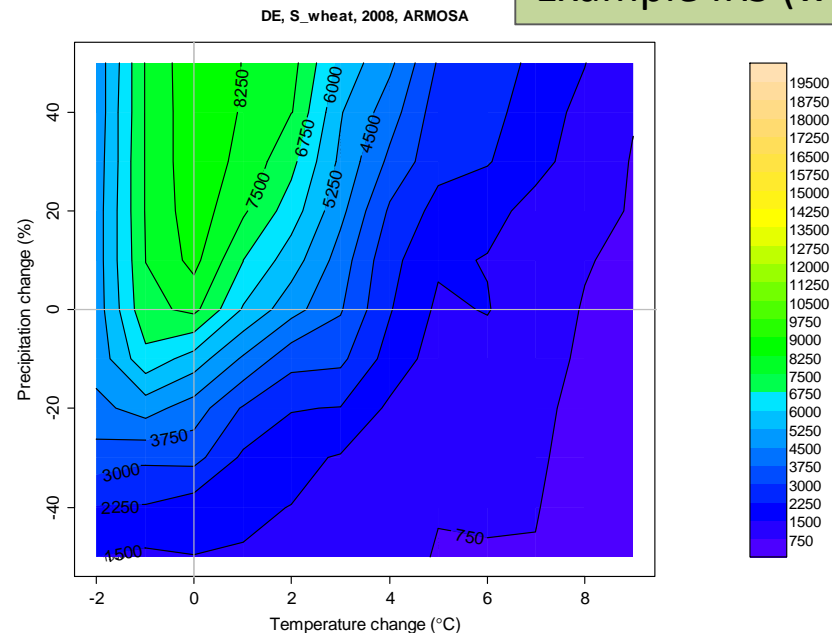
CropM WP4: Scenario dev. & uncertainty analysis

- WP leaders: RP Rötter, M Semenov, M Rivington, D Wallach
- Objectives:
 - Methodology & protocols for uncertainty analysis
 - Methodology for standardized model evaluation
 - Local-scale climate scenarios & uncertainties in climate projections
 - Methodology for probabilistic assessment of CC impacts using **impact response surfaces (IRS)**
 - Methodology for probabilistic evaluation of alternative adaptation options

Locations of weather stations used for IRS study



Example IRS (wheat, GER)



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| Review on quantification of uncertainty | D Wallach, M Rivington | WP4 partners and AgMIP colleagues (L Mearns et al.) | Spring 2014 |
| Delivery of local-scale CMP5-based scenarios.. | M Semenov | P Stratonovic, PL Calanca | (paper finished) still some RCPs.. |
| Designing high-yielding wheat ideotypes | M Semenov | P Stratonovic | finished (paper) |
| IRS1: Basic impact response surface method; applied to wheat (3 sites) | N Pirttioja, S Fronzek, T Carter, R Rötter | 27 modelling groups: WP4 members and AgMIP partners (S Asseng, E Wang, A Ruane) | Simulations done; paper in prep. Summer 2014 |
| Analysis of extremes for wheat (jointly with WP2) | M Trnka | Ruiz-Ramos, Rötter, Kersebaum, Olesen, Semenov | ms submitted to NCC; 2 nd paper planned for ? |
| IRS2: Application of impact response surface method to evaluate adaptations | M Ruiz-Ramos, S Fronzek, N Pirttioja, R Rötter | WP4 members and AgMIP partners | End 2014 |








CropM WP5: Capacity Building

- WP leaders: John R Porter
- Objectives:
 - Student exchange
 - PhD Schools
 - Online course

Post-Graduate course
The Art of Crop Modelling
Quantifying crop growth in face of global food security and climate effects through modelling tools
(4-8 March 2013)



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PhD Course

MODELING CLIMATE EFFECTS ON
CROPS AND CROPPING SYSTEMS
SEPTEMBER 23RD TO 29TH 2013
Dept. of Agroecology , AU-Foulum

Description of course:

Program:

CropM WP5: Capacity Building

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| PhD workshop | Mvi, PL, JRP | WUR, KU, INRA | March 2013 |
| PhD workshop | JO, MS | AU | Oct 2013 |
| PhD workshop | DW, CN | INRA, Zalf, KU, AgMIP | May 2014 |
| PhD workshop | PR, MB | Sassari/Florence?? | 2014/2015 |
| PhD workshop | Mvi, PL, JRP | WUR, KU, INRA | 2015 |
| FACCE JPI | JRP | JPI FACCE | 2014 |
| KPI | JRP | KU | 2013 |

CropM WP6 Case and integrated pilot studies on impact assessment: linkage to decision-making and agri-food chain utilisation

- WP leaders: PP Roggero, D Steward, J Verhagen
- Objectives:
 - Identify and utilize coherent case and pilot studies for impact assessment on key crop
 - Define effective and efficient low carbon adaptation measures for the selected case studies
 - Develop strategies for engagement on adaptation and mitigation with national and EU policy makers and agro-food sector
 - Cross-theme (WP-L4, WP-T4)

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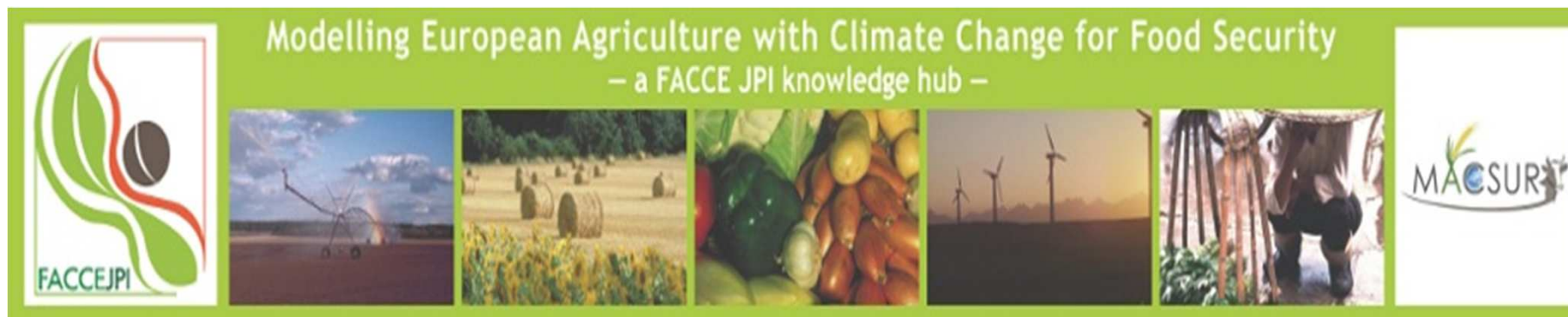
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| T6.1 Regional pilot case studies identified, case study list on the MACSUR web site | Steward Verhagen Roggero | 150, 195 (Wur), 24 (Uni-Madrid), 47, 122, 92(MTT), 115 (Uni-Bonn), 62 (Italy) | Coordination due |
| T6.1 Using different formalisms to represent water management at a territorial level and implementation under the RECORD platform | Bergez | 206 (Inra) | End 2014 |
| T6.2 Farm adaptation to CC in N-EU | Olesen | 189 (Aarhus-Uni) | Paper published |
| T6.3 Development of Agroclima-SSP browser structure. Ruiz-Ramos et al 2014 book chap (in Spanish) | Ruiz-Ramos | 24 (Uni-Madrid) | Report/CD published |
| T6.3 Combined climate-crop-trade modelling at the Sardinia Regional Pilot case study | Roggero et al Dono et al Bindi et al | 62 (CNR, Uniss, Unitus, It) | paper submitted to EAAE. Journal papers to be submitted (July 2014) |
| T6.3 Drip irrigation in Potato (proposal Climate KIC) | Ben Schaap (Wageningen UR-DLO) | INRA FRA, farmers organisation, Netafim ES/NL, UPV Valencia ES | pre-proposal rejected. New proposal will be submitted in 2014. |
| T6.3 Stakeholder learning session and Engagement methods session at mid term meeting | Koenig, Helming, Roggero, Seddaiu | 62 (Uniss, Italy) 147 (ZALF, De) | 1-3 April 2014 |

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| T6.3 Olive crop: physiologically based demographic model on <i>Bactrocera oleae</i> (Gutierrez & Ponti, 2014, CABI Pub.) | Ponti | 62 (Enea) | Upcoming |
| T6.3 Olive crop: new water balance model (Ponti et al. 2013 Procedia Env Sci) in the context of a Marie Curie grant | Ponti, Basso Gutierrez | 62 (Enea) | Done |
| T6.3 Olive crop: www.impact2c.eu (Med-wide assessment of +2°C impact on olive fruit fly) | Ponti | 62 (Enea) | Manuscript under review |
| T6.3 Vineyard: Initialization and validation of the UTOPIA land surface model through ET field measurements in Piedmont | Cassardo et al | 62 (Unito) | In progress, preliminary results by April 2014 |
| T6.3 Maize: CC impact on yields, irrigation and N leaching in N-Italy. Submitting paper to Stoten special issue | Acutis | 62 (Unimi) | Submission due by 28 Feb |
| T6.3 Vineyard: Validation of specific UTOPIA routine sets the on assessment of C assimilation rate | Cassardo et al | 62 (Unito) | In progress, preliminary results by end of 2014 |



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