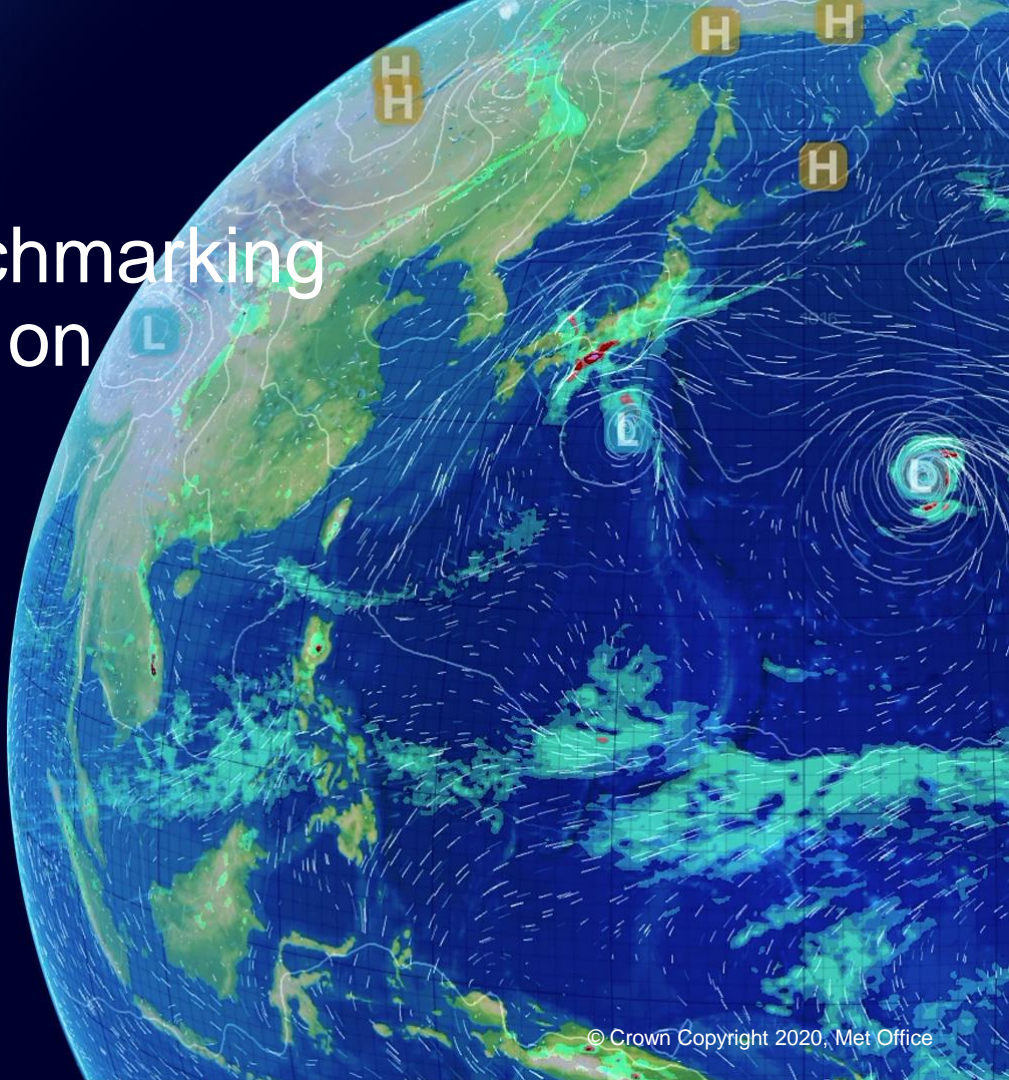


# Developing the next benchmarking system for JULES based on ModelEvaluation.org

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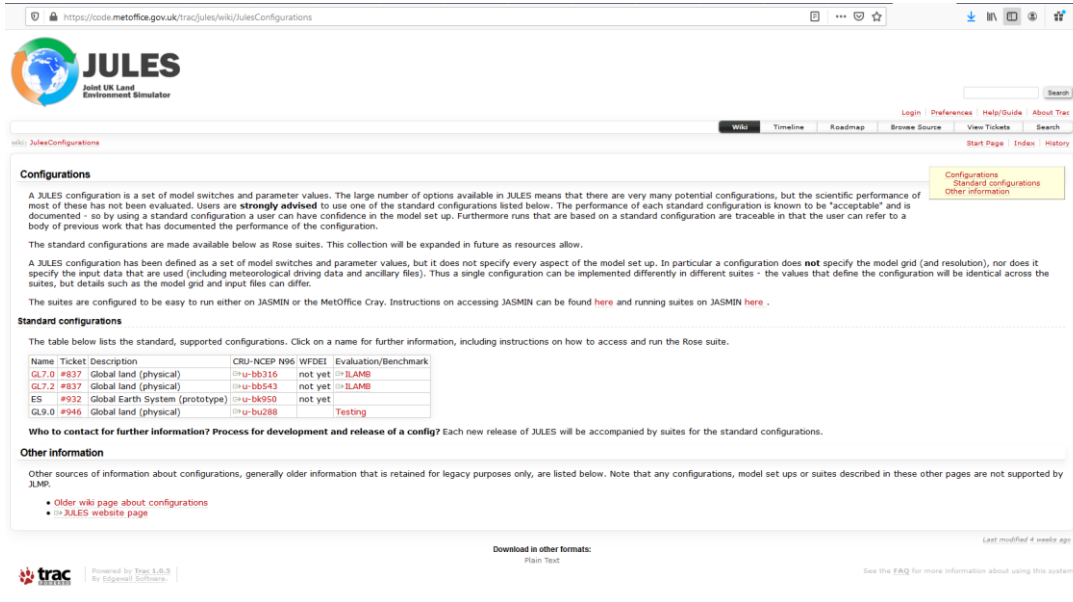
# Configuration Manager for the Global Land

My role...

- Maintain the standalone physical land model configuration versions on both the Met Office and NERC systems.
  - GL9 standalone is being finalised on Jasmin, ready for use shortly
- Build and maintain the comprehensive benchmarking system that will be used to assess new components for future configurations.
  - Generating a new benchmarking tool using ModelEvaluation.org for use along side existing tools

# JULES Standard Configuration

<https://code.metoffice.gov.uk/trac/jules/wiki/JulesConfigurations>



The screenshot shows the 'JulesConfigurations' wiki page. At the top left is the JULES logo (Joint UK Land Environment Simulator). The page title is 'JulesConfigurations'. Below the title, there is a search bar and navigation links: 'Home', 'Timeline', 'Roadmap', 'Browse Source', 'View Tickets', and 'Search'. The main content area is titled 'Configurations' and contains several paragraphs of text explaining what a JULES configuration is and how to use standard configurations. A table titled 'Standard configurations' lists four configurations: GL7.0 #837, GL7.2 #837, ES #932, and GL9.0 #946. Each row includes a 'Name', 'Ticket', 'Description', and 'Status'. The 'Status' column contains links to 'CRU-NCEP N96 WFDEI Evaluation/Benchmark', 'ILAMB', and 'Testing'. Below the table, there is a section 'Who to contact for further information?' and 'Other information'.

Name	Ticket	Description	Status
GL7.0	#837	Global land (physical)	<a href="#">CRU-NCEP N96 WFDEI Evaluation/Benchmark</a> <a href="#">ILAMB</a>
GL7.2	#837	Global land (physical)	<a href="#">ILAMB</a>
ES	#932	Global Earth System (prototype)	<a href="#">Testing</a>
GL9.0	#946	Global land (physical)	<a href="#">Testing</a>

- Set of model and ancillary generation switches and parameter values
- GL/RL/ES are all required for the coupled system.
- Standalone only requires configurations for:
  1. Physical Land (weather/climate)
  2. Earth System

# JULES Standard Configuration

A configuration is not:

- Driving data
- The resolution
- The ancillary files (but can include the data sources)
- Application specific

Best combination of settings to give the best description of the physical environment

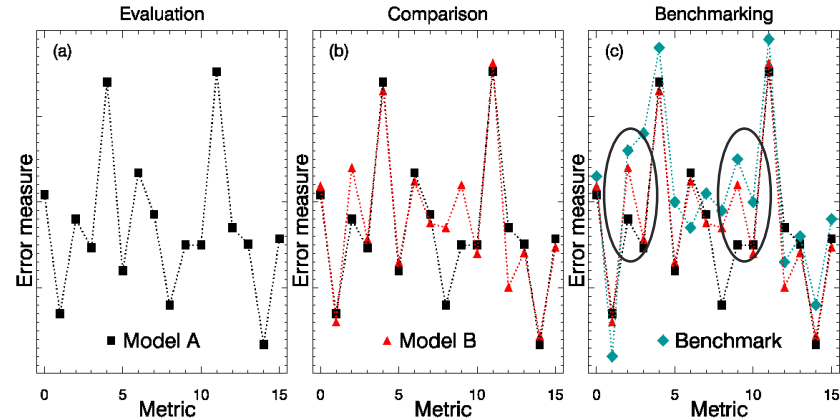
How do we know when we have a better description of the environment?

# What is benchmarking?

## The Plumbing of Land Surface Models: Benchmarking Model Performance

M. J. BEST,<sup>a</sup> G. ABRAMOWITZ,<sup>b</sup> H. R. JOHNSON,<sup>a</sup> A. J. PITMAN,<sup>b</sup> G. BALSAMO,<sup>c</sup> A. BOONE,<sup>d</sup>  
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(2015) Journal of Hydrometeorology, 16, 1425-1442.



- Model outputs are compared to a predefined benchmark
- 3 types of benchmark:

1. Is it better than another model?
2. Is it fit for a particular application?
3. Can it effectively utilise available information?

“Ultimate” benchmark – model to be within the observational error

# What will benchmarking do for JULES?

- JLMP – Require a single configuration which generates the best simulation of JULES as a whole system
  - Is the new JULES configuration better the previous model configuration? (i.e. no 1)
  - E.g. Does adding X piece of new science code improve JULES compared to the previous configuration?
  - **Old configuration version will become the benchmark**
- JULES community are aiming for 2 or 3 – Best science for a specific area
  - E.g. Can the new configuration capture specific impacts (e.g. the river flow or snow depth) better than the old configuration?
  - E.g. If supplied with better inputs (e.g. high resolution veg ancillaries) it should be expected to perform better than a configuration without this.

# A new benchmarking suite

Coming soon... upload automated within the suite

PLUMBER2 data  
170 sites from  
FLUXNET2015,  
FLUXNET La Thuile  
& OzFlux  
+  
canopy height, LAI  
reference height &  
IGBP vegetation  
+  
HWSD soils

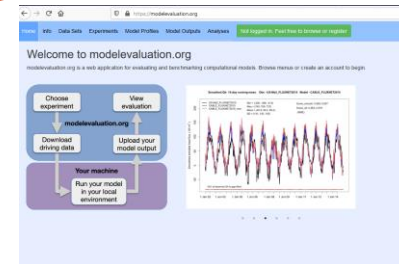
Python script →  
convert jules input  
variables into json file

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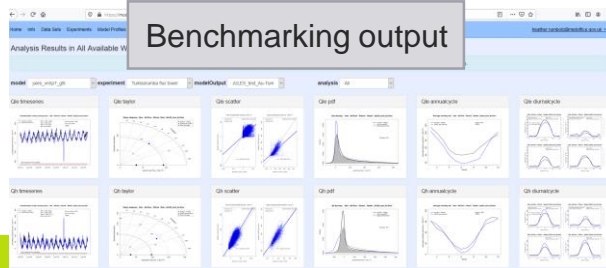
Rose suite  
Run JULES for all  
sites in json file

Job	Host	Job system	Job ID	T-submit	T-start	T-finish	dt-mean	latest message
MEIO-SPICE	running							
tom_wake	running	localhost slurm	6298429	10:45:12Z	10:45:13Z			job(1) started
jules_FR-Lq2	waiting							
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jules_FR-Lq5	waiting							
jules_US-Ton	waiting							
jules_ES-Lq6	waiting							
jules_AU-How	waiting							
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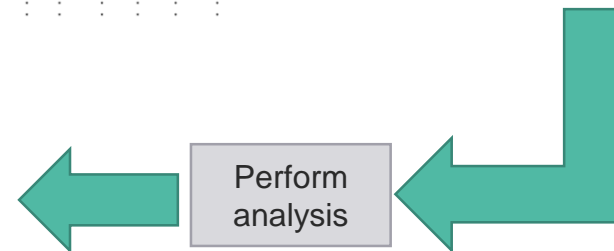
Upload data to  
modevaluation.org



Benchmarking output



Perform  
analysis



# Met Office ModelEvaluation.org



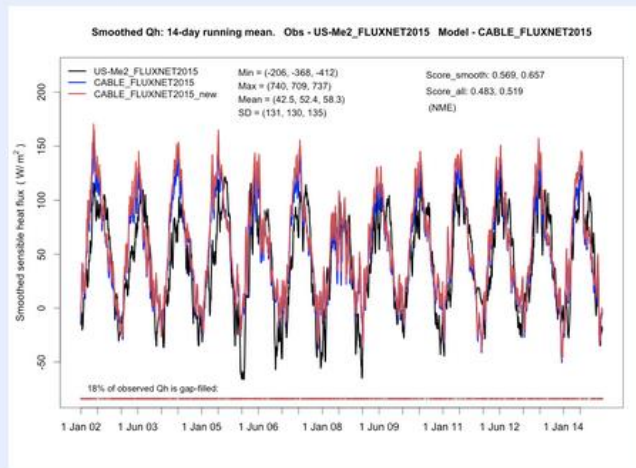
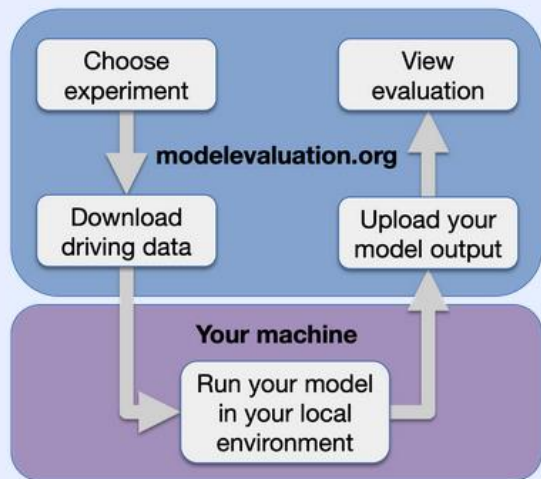
https://modevaluation.org

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## Welcome to modevaluation.org

modevaluation.org is a web application for evaluating and benchmarking computational models. Browse menus or create an account to begin.





# Met Office Single site vs Observations

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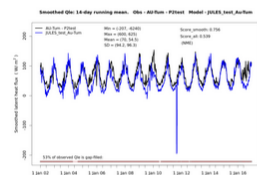
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## Analysis Results in All Available Workspaces

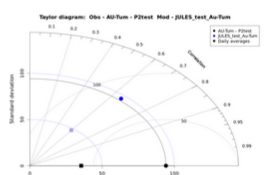
Find the desired model output using the model and/or experiment filters. The order of the filters can be switched by dragging them.

model  experiment  modelOutput  analysis

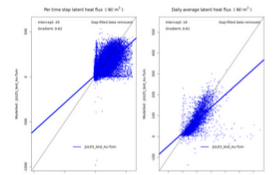
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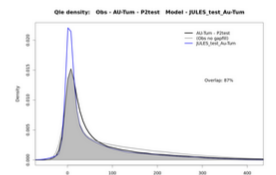
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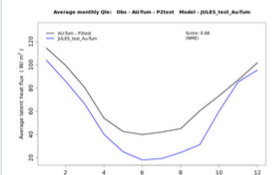
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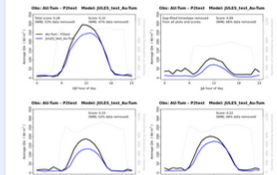
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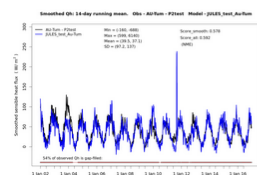
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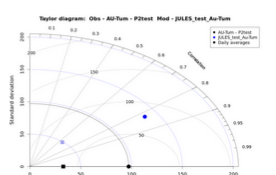
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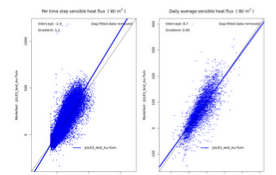
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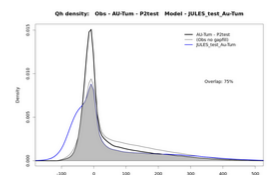
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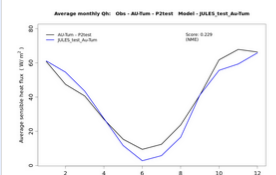
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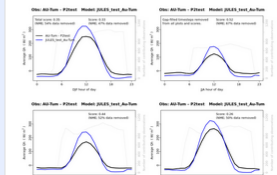
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# Multi site analysis

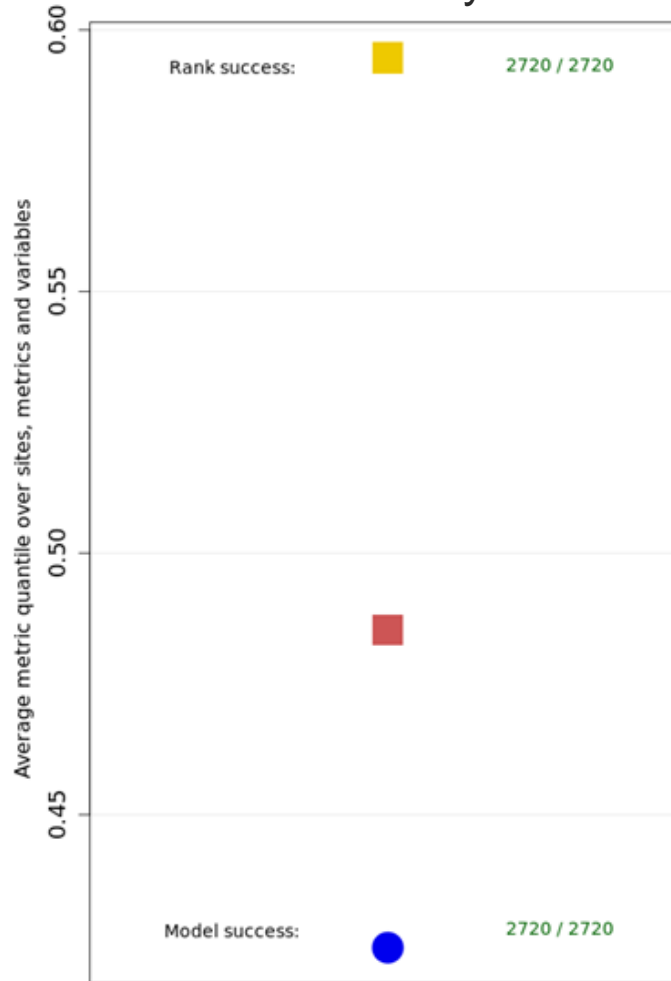
- Each model is ranked according to every metric, variable and site
- Ranks are averaged to give a single value....
- 3 models: JULES GL8, 1 var linear regression, 2 var linear regression

0 = Perfect model

1 = Worst model

JULES is better than the linear regression models!

## Summary



## Details



## Metric quantile av. over:

**2 variables:**

Qle, Qh

**8 metrics**

RMSE, MBE, NME

SDdiff, correlation, fifthdiff  
ninetyfifthdiff, PDFoverlap

**170 sites**

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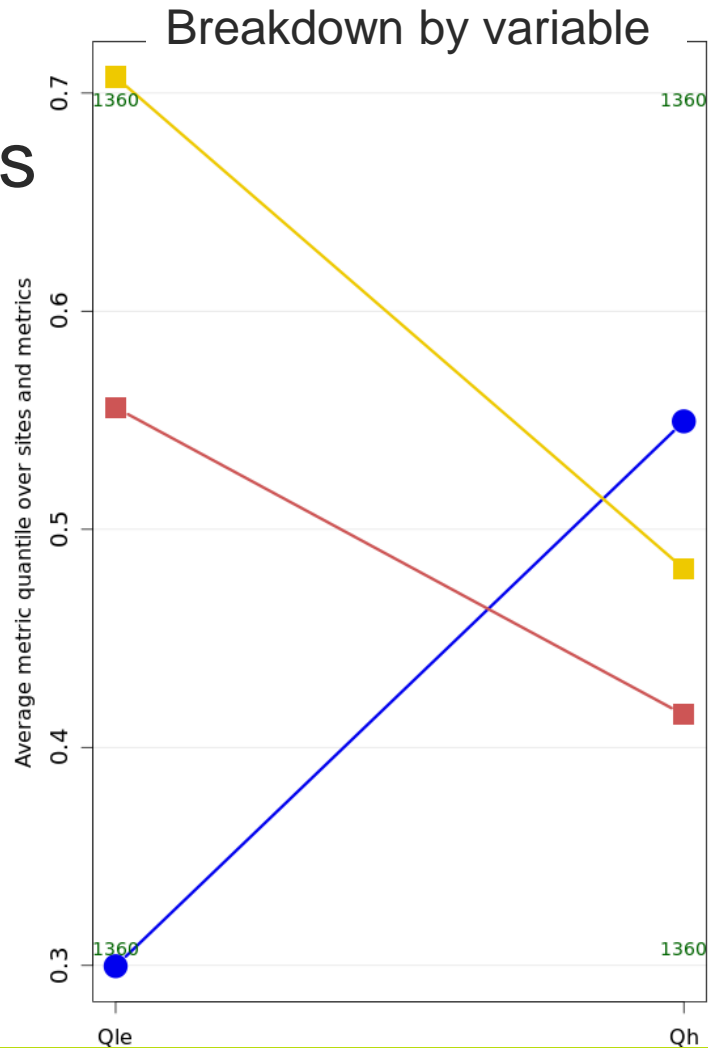
# Multi site analysis

- Variable breakdown...
- JULES LE beats the linear regression models
- H does not, however:

quantile value =  

$$\frac{(\text{highest rank} - \text{JULES model})}{(\text{lowest rank} - \text{highest rank})}$$

- H isn't as bad as it looks!
- Overall JULES is as good as or better than the benchmarks



#### Details



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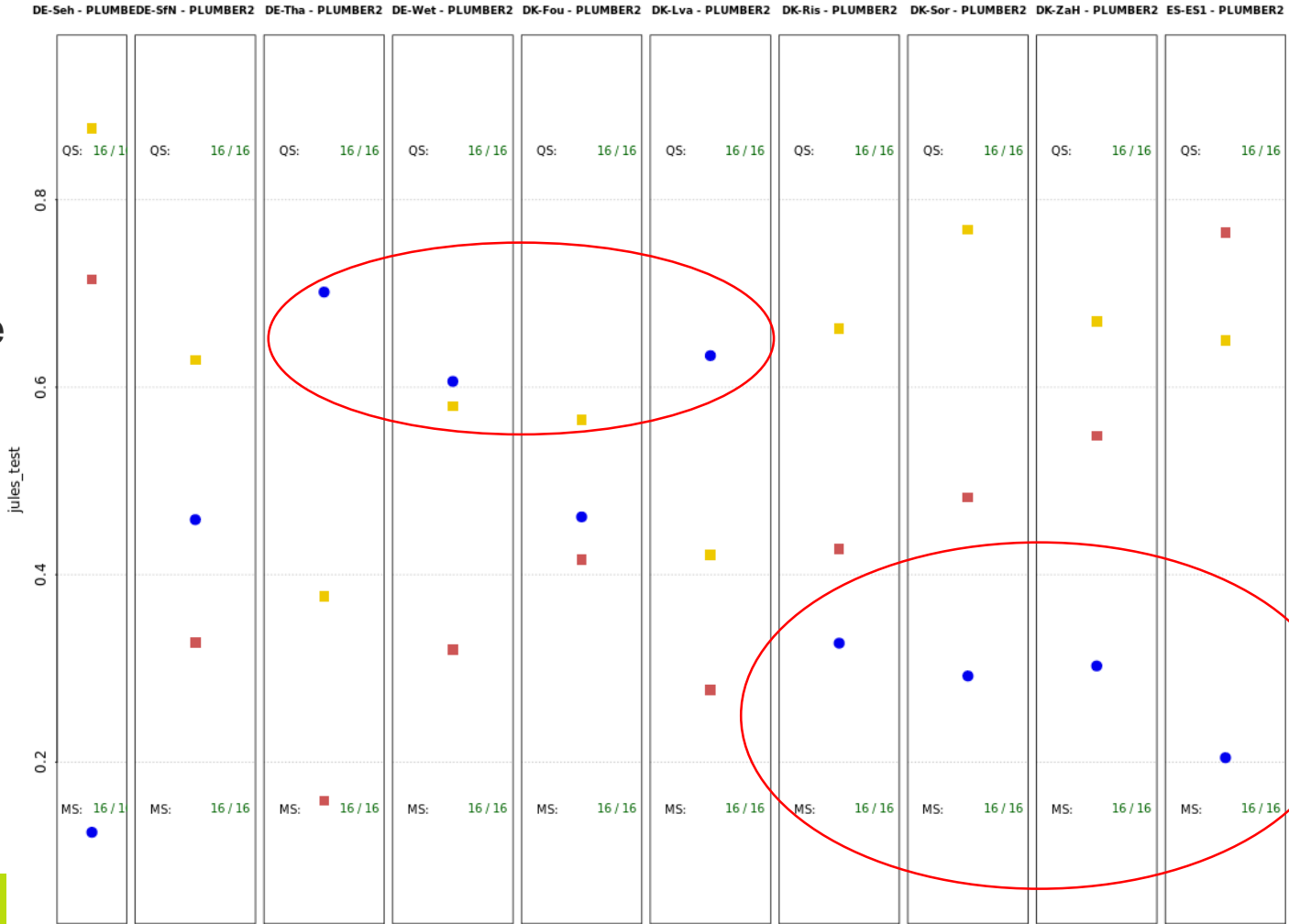
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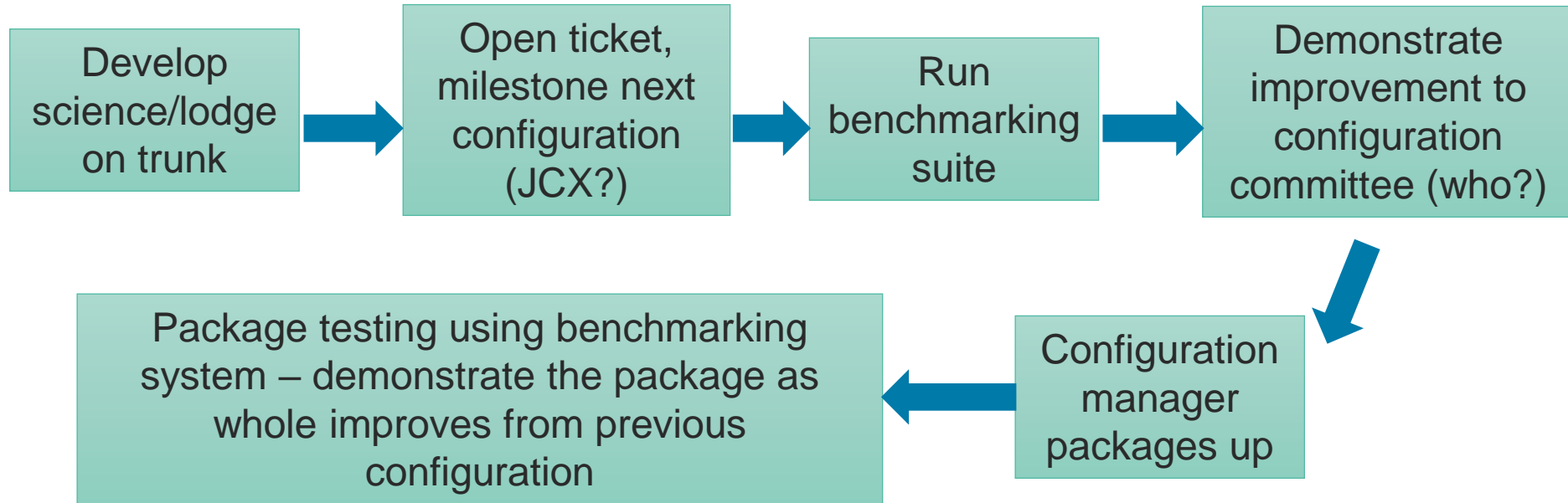
# Multi site analysis

## Breakdown by site

Overall there are more sites where we are doing well compared to the empirical benchmarks

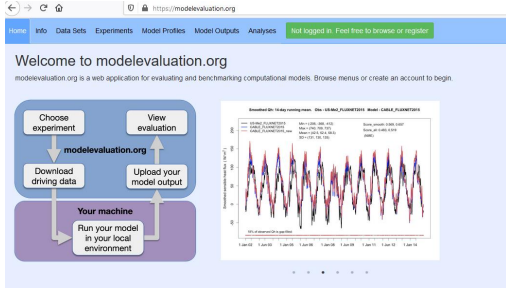


# Development Process for standalone Physical Land configurations (work in progress)

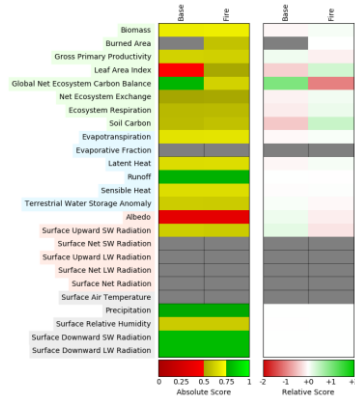


Benchmarking is an important part of this process!!

# How does this fit in with other tools going forward?



Physical Land



Earth System

Plus others....?



AutoAssess & Validation Notes

Is the new JULES configuration better the previous model configuration?