



Update from the vegetation module

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JULES annual meeting 2017



Vegetation Module Activities 2016-7

- ▶ JULES-crop coordination and collaboration meeting, Met Office, 1st-2nd August 2016, organised by Pete Falloon, 13 attendees.
- ▶ Vegetation module meeting, 2nd May 2017, Exeter University, 26 attendees

In collaboration with other modules:

- ▶ Cross-community group to look at the representation of soil moisture stress on vegetation in JULES (see talk on Wednesday). 38 members, 3 meetings (Exeter University and CEH, Wallingford), 6 telecons.



JULES-crop meeting, June 2016

- ▶ Minutes on the Met Office Collaboration Wiki:
<https://code.metoffice.gov.uk/trac/jules/wiki/JulesCropMeeting2016>.
- ▶ Consensus that most of the focus will be on improving the representation of the four main crops:
 - ▶ wheat (winter: Alberto Martinez-de la Torre, Jon Finch, Eleanor Blyth, spring: Camilla Mathison, Chetan Deva)
 - ▶ rice (Anita Ganesan, Camilla Mathison, Chetan Deva)
 - ▶ soybean (**Felix Leung**)
 - ▶ maize (Karina Williams, Jemma Gornall, Anna Harper, Andy Wiltshire, Debbie Hemming, Tristan Quaife, Tim Arkebauer, and David Scoby).

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JULES-crop meeting, June 2016

- ▶ MIP Participation: AGMIP GGMCI phase 2 and maize ET study (Karina Williams, Pete Falloon).
- ▶ Food security and pathogen outbreak (Catherine Morfopoulos)
- ▶ Integrated with other impacts components e.g. river routing, irrigation (Kate Halladay, Camilla Mathison)
- ▶ Linking the Land Surface and Atmospheric Composition (Garry Hayman, Anita Ganesan)
- ▶ Emphasized that the key issues facing crop modelling are also important for natural vegetation too e.g. response to drought, modelling leaf nitrogen concentration through the season.

Next meeting: 13th - 15th November 2017, Leeds University. Contact Pete Falloon for more information.



Vegetation Module Meeting, May 2017

- ▶ Current work
- ▶ Science direction and challenges
- ▶ Observational datasets
- ▶ Collaboration and funding opportunities

Minutes and links to slides on JULES trac:

<https://code.metoffice.gov.uk/trac/jules/wiki/VegetationMeetingMay2017>.



Vegetation Module Meeting - current work

- ▶ Evaluation against flux tower observations (**Darren Sleven**, Anna Harper, **Alberto Martinez de la Torre**, **Heather Rumbold**)
- ▶ Impacts of ozone (Becky Oliver, Lina Mercado, Stephen Sitch)
- ▶ Medlyn stomatal conductance (Becky Oliver, Lina Mercado, Stephen Sitch)
- ▶ Photosynthesis adaptation/acclimation (Becky Oliver, Lina Mercado)
- ▶ Carbon fluxes in the Arctic tundra (**Sarah Chadburn**)
- ▶ Evaluation of trait-based physiology runs (Anna Harper)
- ▶ Transpiration in JULES as a diagnostic (Kate Halladay)
- ▶ Soil moisture effects on Light Use Efficiency (Beni Stocker, Iain Colin Prentice)
- ▶ Interactive fire/vegetation (**Chantelle Burton**)
- ▶ ISIMIP historical runs (Catherine Morfopoulos)
- ▶ Carbon and nitrogen cycle configurations (Andy Wiltshire)

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Vegetation Module Meeting - future science

- ▶ Assessing leaf surface temperature/skin surface temperature.
- ▶ Phenology model based on degree days
- ▶ Carbon allocation scheme to include water and nutrient availability
- ▶ Heat stress parameterisation (particularly crops)
- ▶ Incorporate optimization theory into JULES
- ▶ Evaluation of combined carbon and water cycles, including feedbacks
- ▶ Improve Arctic vegetation
- ▶ Two sources (soils and vegetation) for ET
- ▶ Better understanding of WUE and elevated CO₂
- ▶ Inclusion of a P cycle
- ▶ Improved N cycling model, what about emission of N₂O from soils and fertilizer
- ▶ Include ground water access by plants
- ▶ Better use of our links with other models



Vegetation Module Meeting - datasets

- ▶ Avignon, crops, Mediterranean climate (**Sebastien Garrigues**): 15 years of flux observations on winter (wheat) and summer crops (maize, sunflower, sorghum). Includes met forcing, C & H₂O fluxes, crop production, vegetation characteristics, LAI, soil moisture.
- ▶ Arctic sites (**Sarah Chadburn**): Flux sites freely available
- ▶ NORDESTE: Newton fund project Nordeste (led by Colin Prentice), which will be gathering physical and biological data about tropical dry forest in Brazil.
- ▶ BIFOR FACE data: contact via Debbie Hemming
- ▶ FLUXNET2015, FIFE (tallgrass prairie, Kansas), LBA (Amazon), ...
- ▶ Evaluation frameworks: NASA LIS, ESMeval tool, ILAMB
- ▶ South-East Asia impacts (Camilla Mathison): including crops, irrigation, river flow, possibly glaciers.