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5th Monitoring Progress Report

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LIFE+ PROJECT NAME or Acronym

Monitoring and assessment of carbon balance related phenomena in Finland and northern Eurasia

Data Project

Project location	Helsinki
Project start date:	01/01/2009
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Total budget:	2155627 €
EC contribution:	1046759 €
(%) of eligible costs	49.09

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Summary of Progress

The main progress of the project is, a novel Earth observation satellite data-aided modeling system to produce CO₂ balance in resolution of 0.16 degrees for a domain covering Finland, Sweden, Norway and Denmark as whole as well as the Baltic countries: Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania; together with areas from most Northern Germany and Western parts of Russia, ready.

First results of the modeling systems developed in SnowCarbo project were produced. In figure 1, land ecosystem CO₂ balance process is shown. The process can be given in formulas below

$$NEE = - GPP + \text{ecosystem respiration}$$

$$NPP = GPP - (\text{Ecosystem resp.} - \text{soil resp.})$$

where NEE is Net Ecosystem Exchange, GPP is Gross Primary Product and NPP is Net Primary Product.

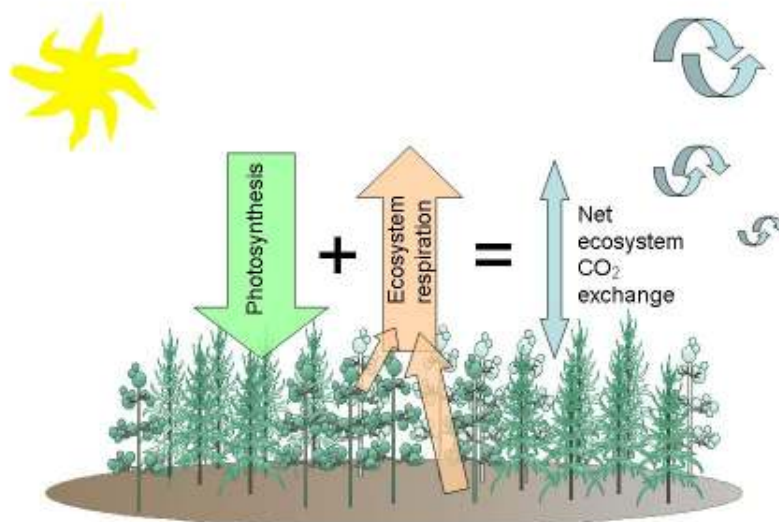


Figure 1: Land Ecosystem CO₂ Balance Process

In figure 2, GPP which was calculated using JSBACH model is shown.

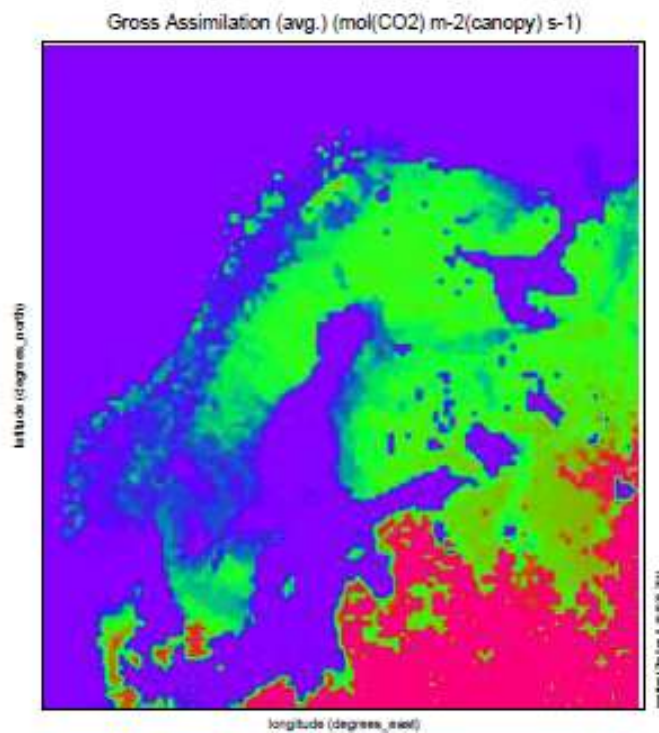


Figure 2: GPP (AVG.)(mol(CO₂)/m²(canopy)s) from JSBACH, Date:09.07.2002,Time:12:00 (noon).

In Figure 3, daily carbon balance in Hyytiala, Finland between 1997-2008 is shown.

Daily modeled CO₂ balance

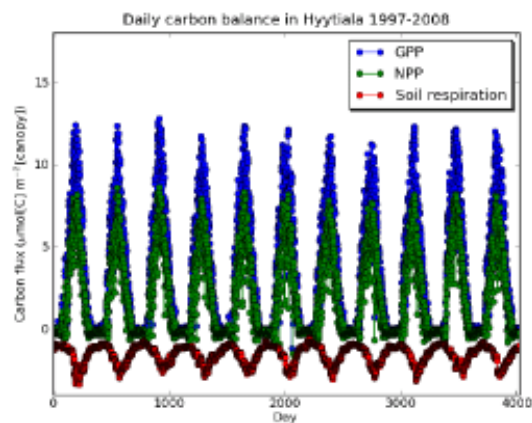


Figure 3: Daily modeled CO₂ balance

Reference dates for start of season, the final recovery of photosynthesis determined at CO₂ flux measurement sites. Time-series of vegetation indices (NDVI and NDWI) and the evolution of snow cover derived from daily MODIS observations shown in figure 4.

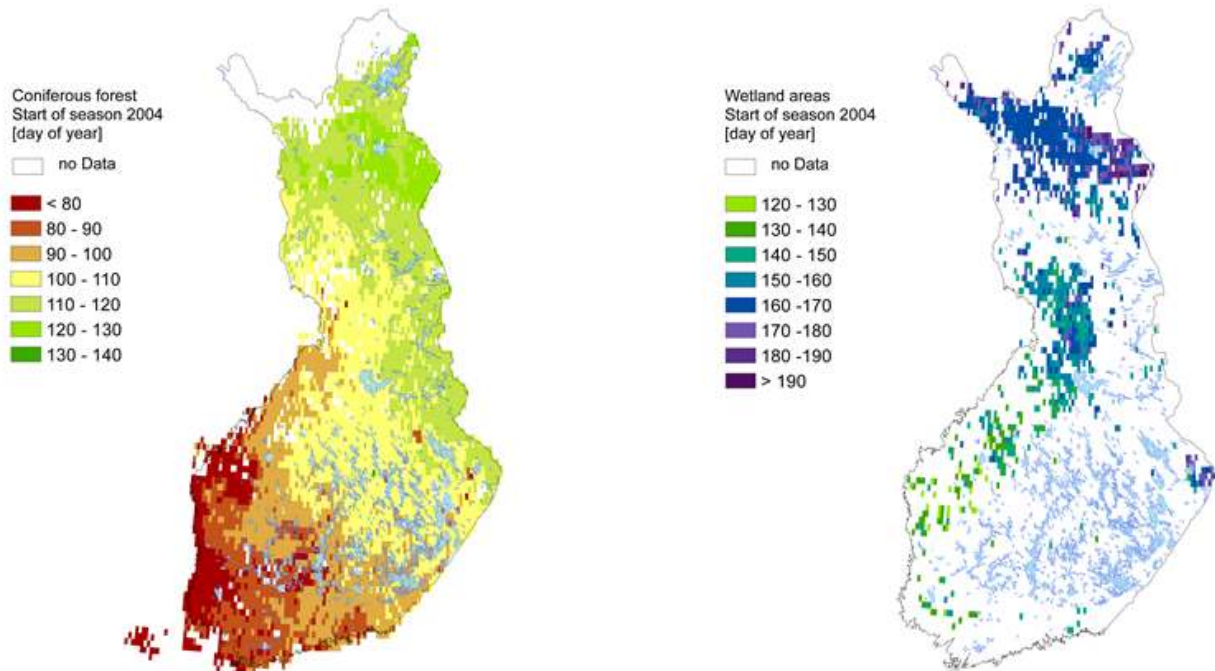


Figure 4: Comparison with modelled start of season