

Pan-European changes in water availability due to decadal climate and land use change evaluated using a Budyko-framework

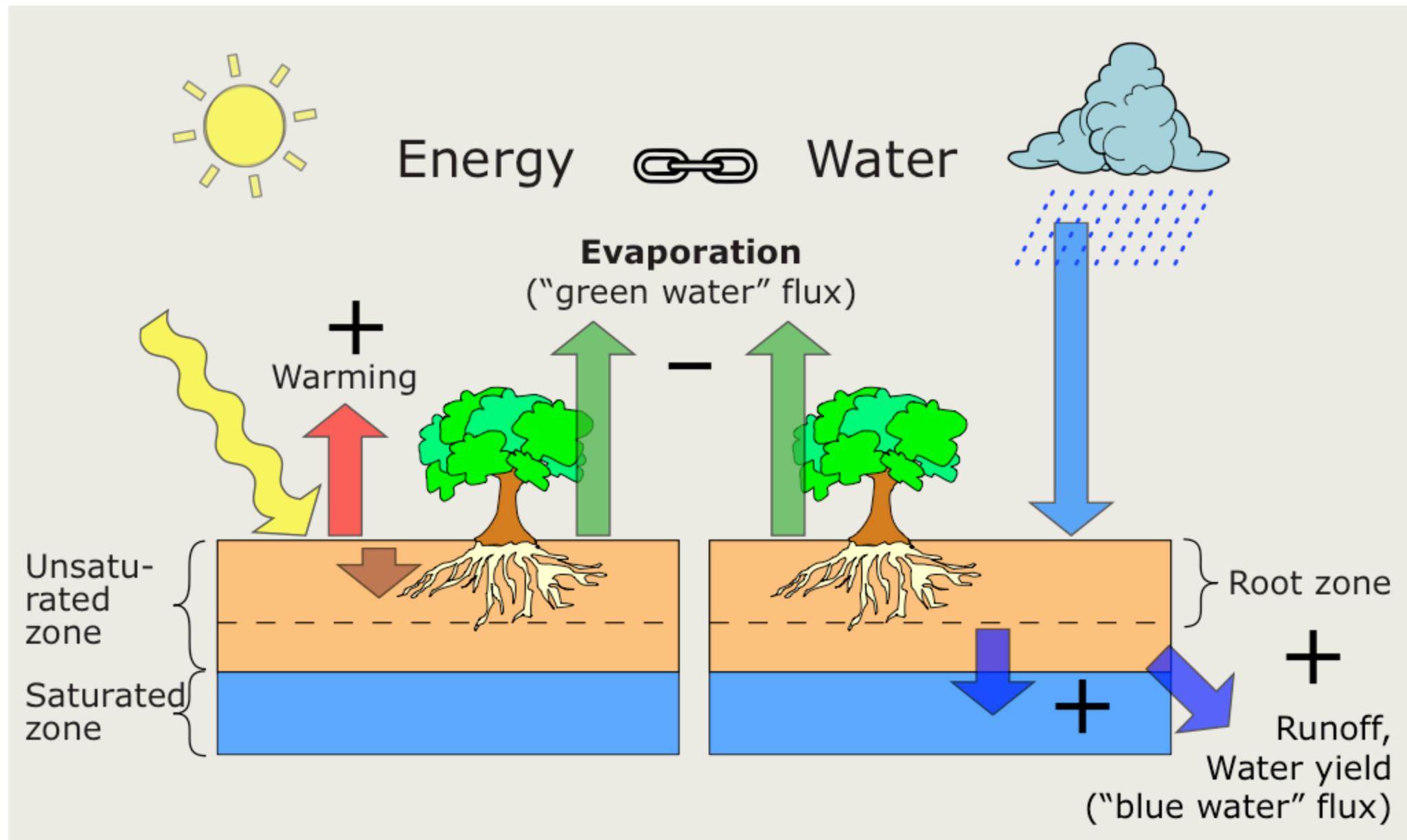
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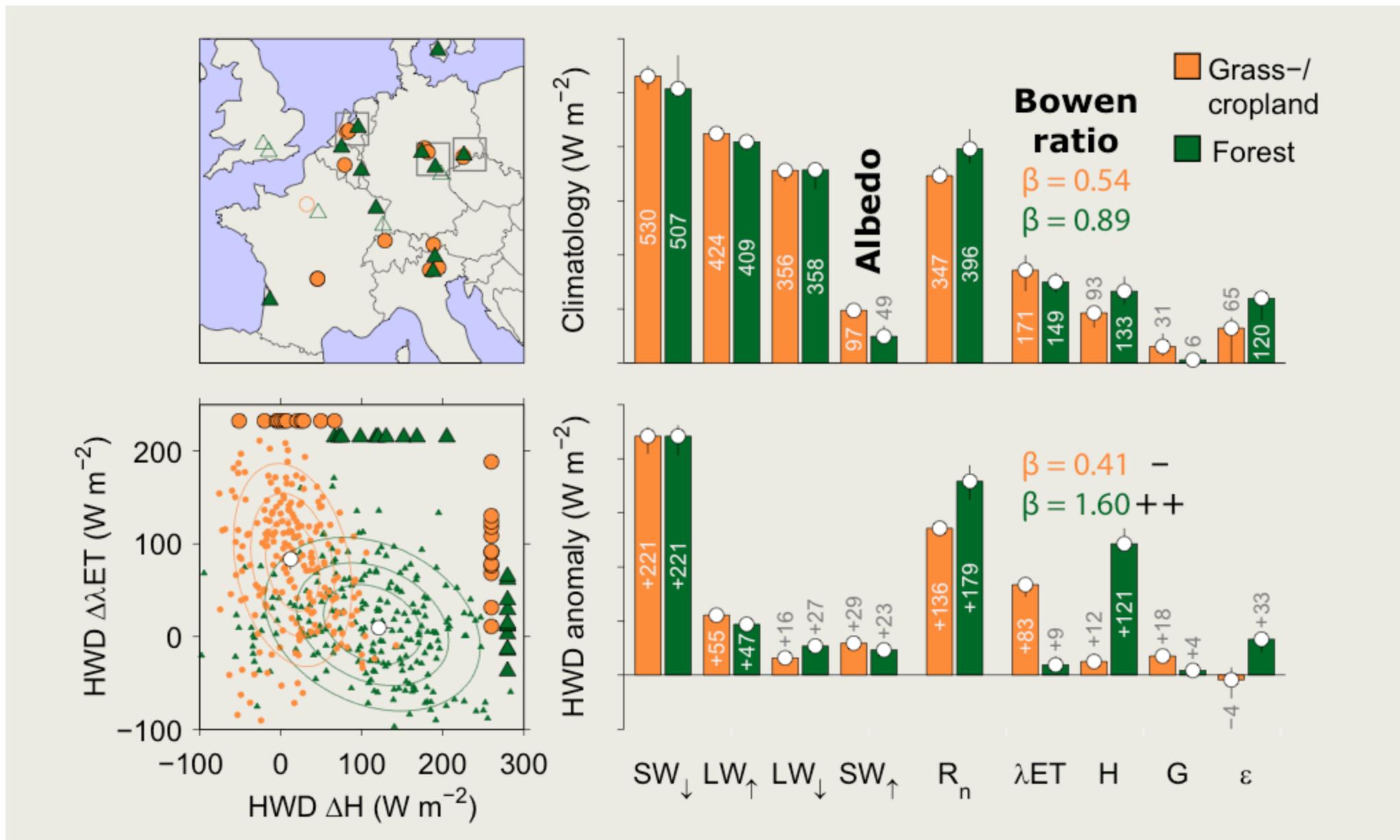
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Evaporation, climate, and the hydrological cycle

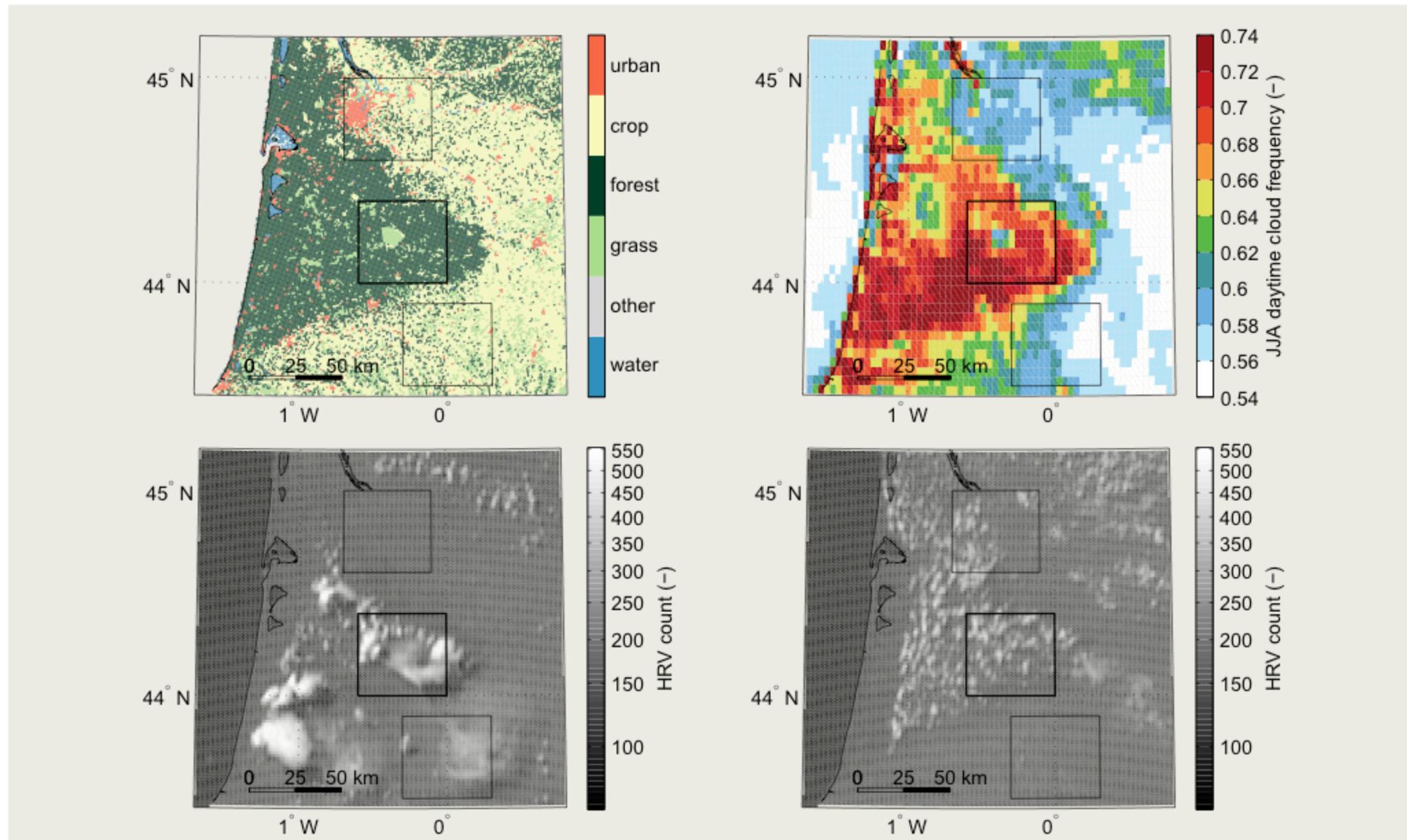


Modified after Seneviratne et al. (2010), *Earth-Sci. Rev.*, 99

Warming role of forests during heatwaves



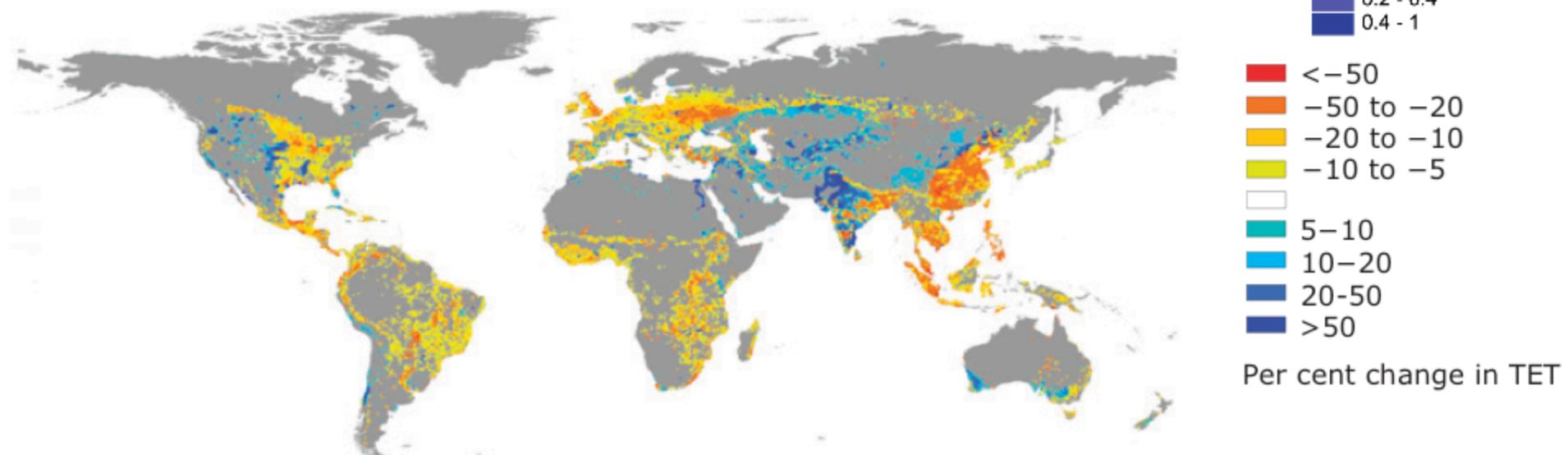
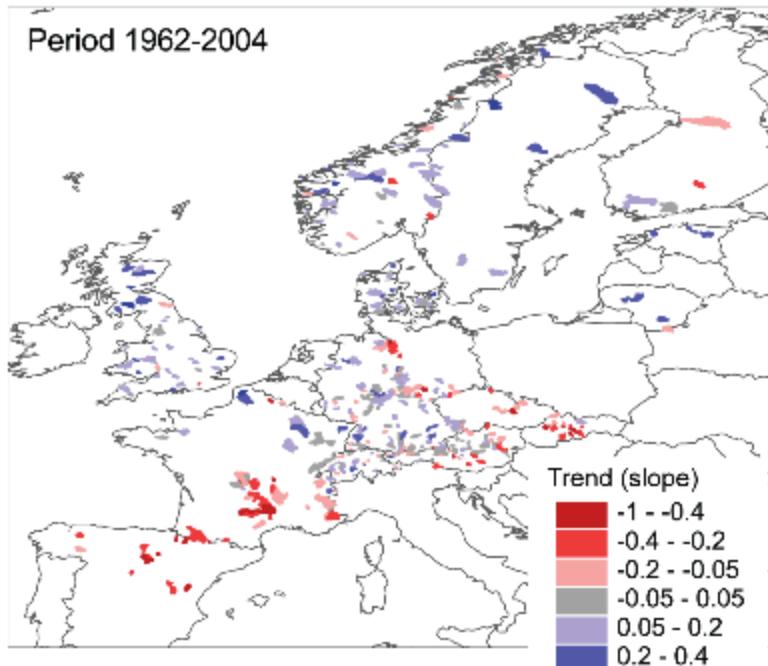
Cloud cover enhancement over forest



Changes in land cover & blue water fluxes

Spatially coherent changes in observed annual streamflow across Europe

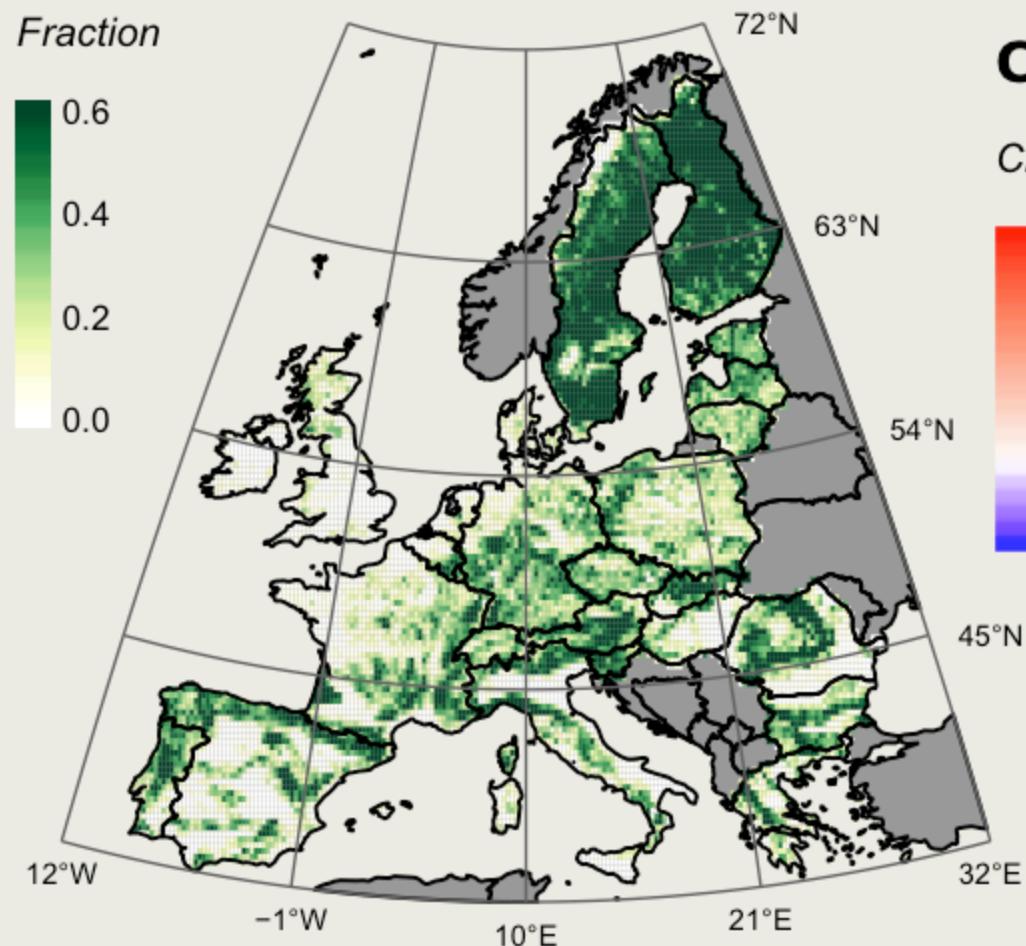
Current anthropogenic land-cover change reduces annual TET by approximately $3,500 \text{ km}^3 \text{ yr}^{-1}$ (5%)



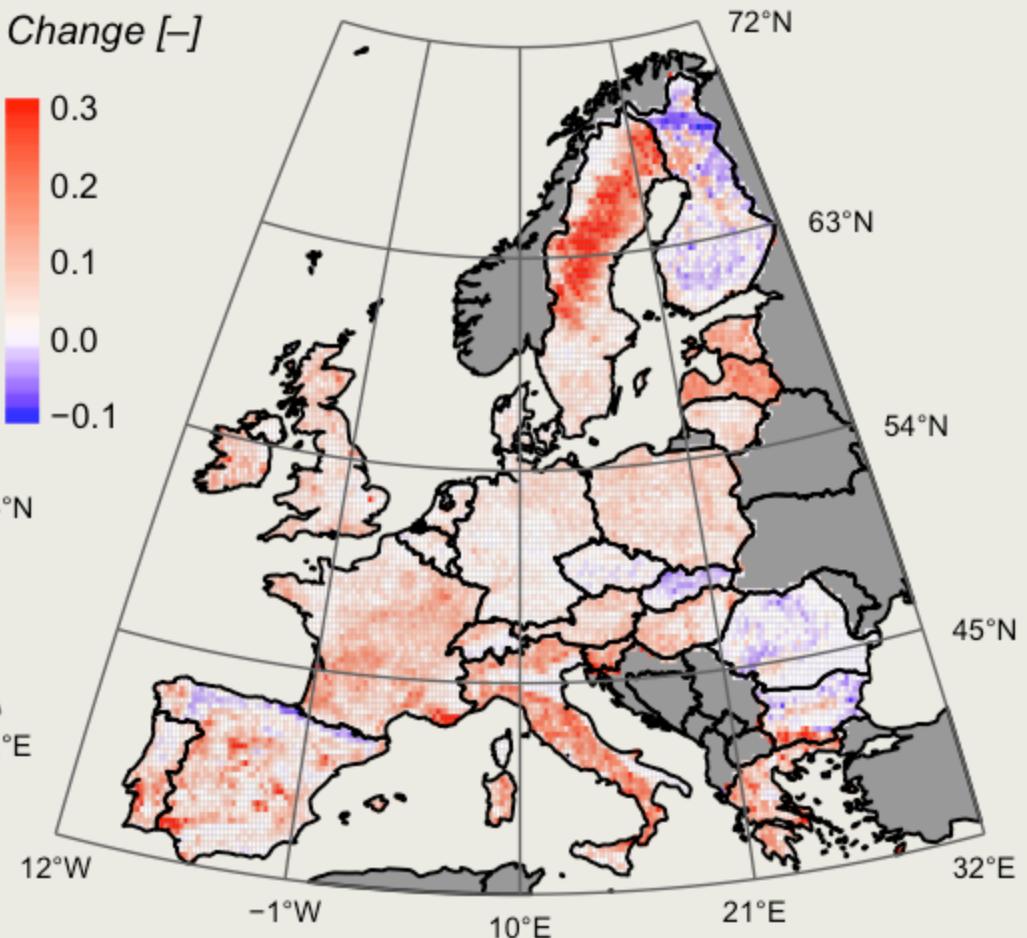
Stahl et al. (2010), *Hydrol. Earth Syst. Sci.* **14**
Sterling et al. (2012), *Nature Climate Change* **3**

Land cover: re-/afforestation

Forest Fraction 1960



Change 1960–2010

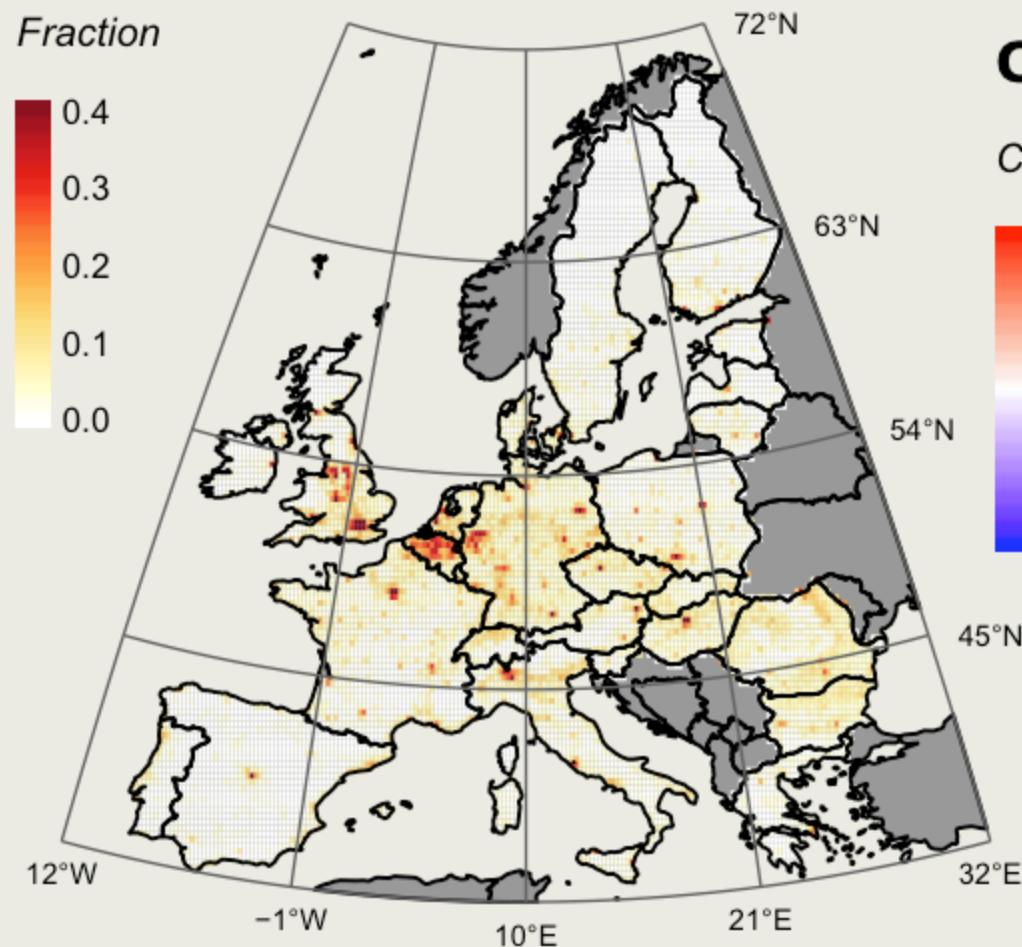


Widespread forest cover increase

data: Fuchs et al. (2015), *Glob. Ch. Biol.* **21**

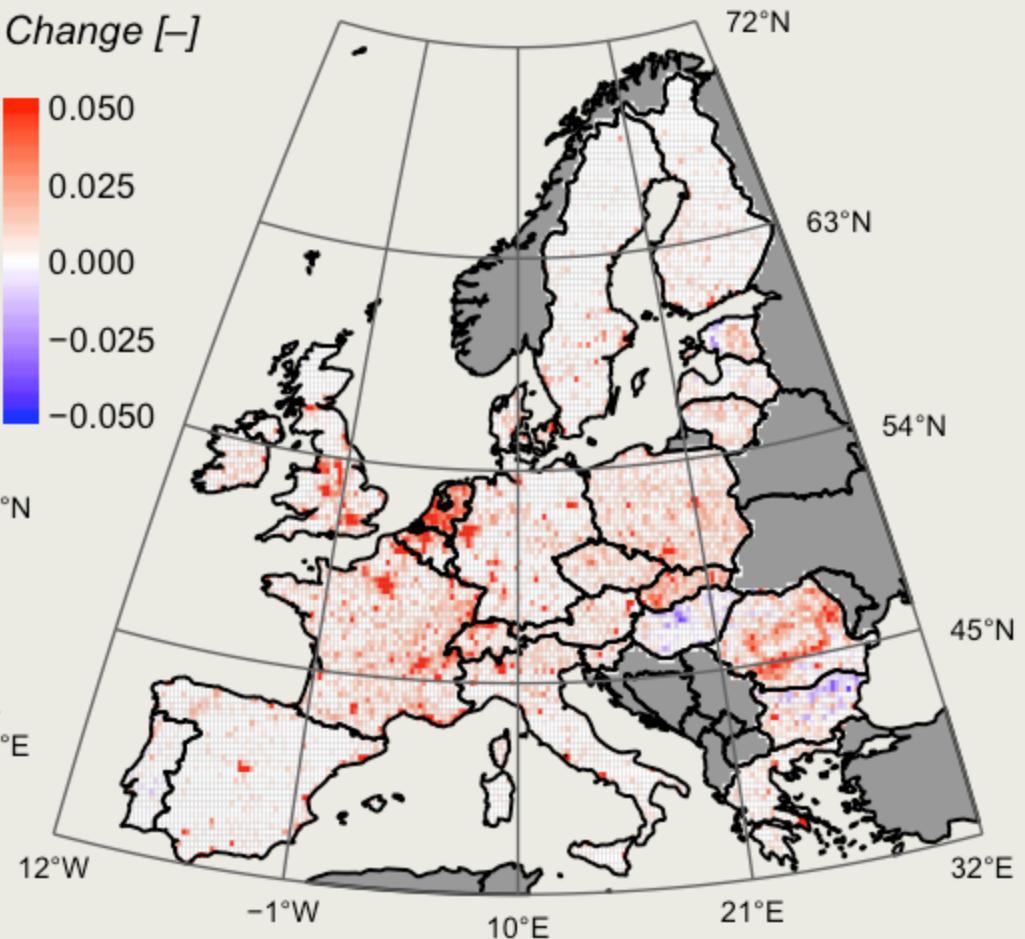
Land cover: urbanisation

Urban Fraction 1960



Cities expanding rapidly

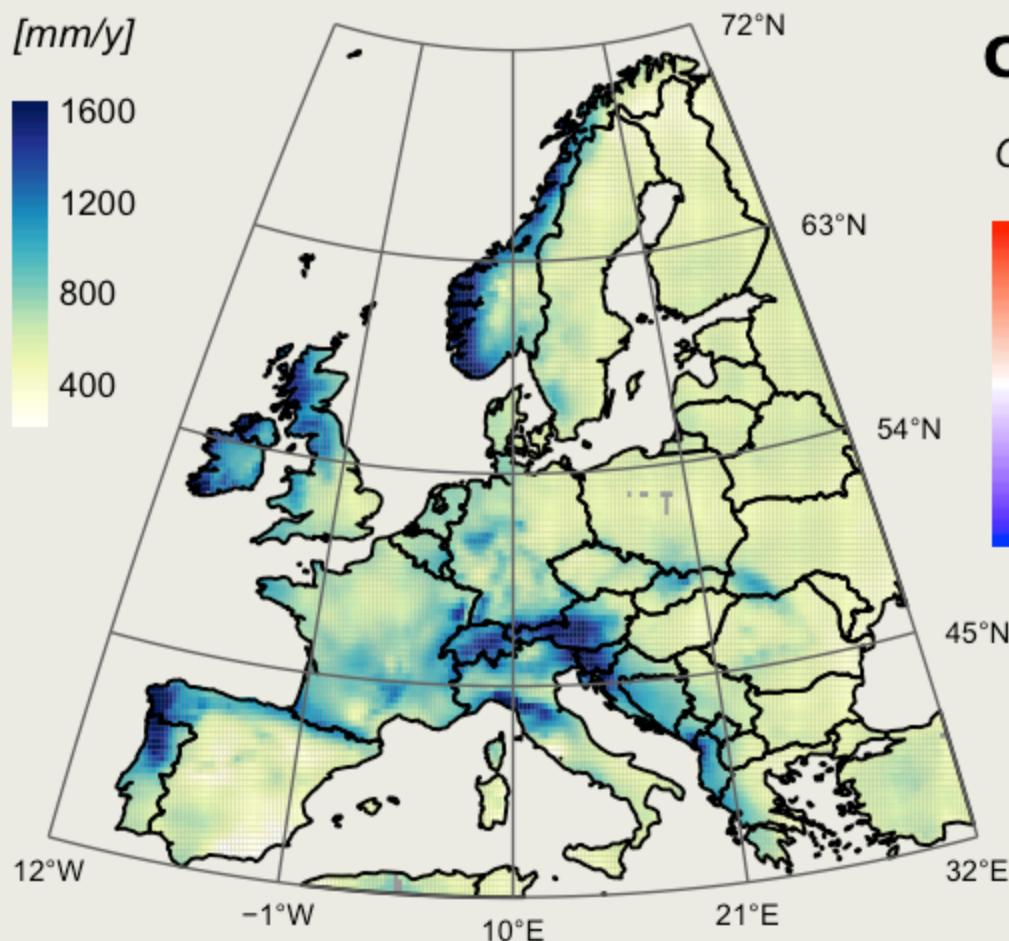
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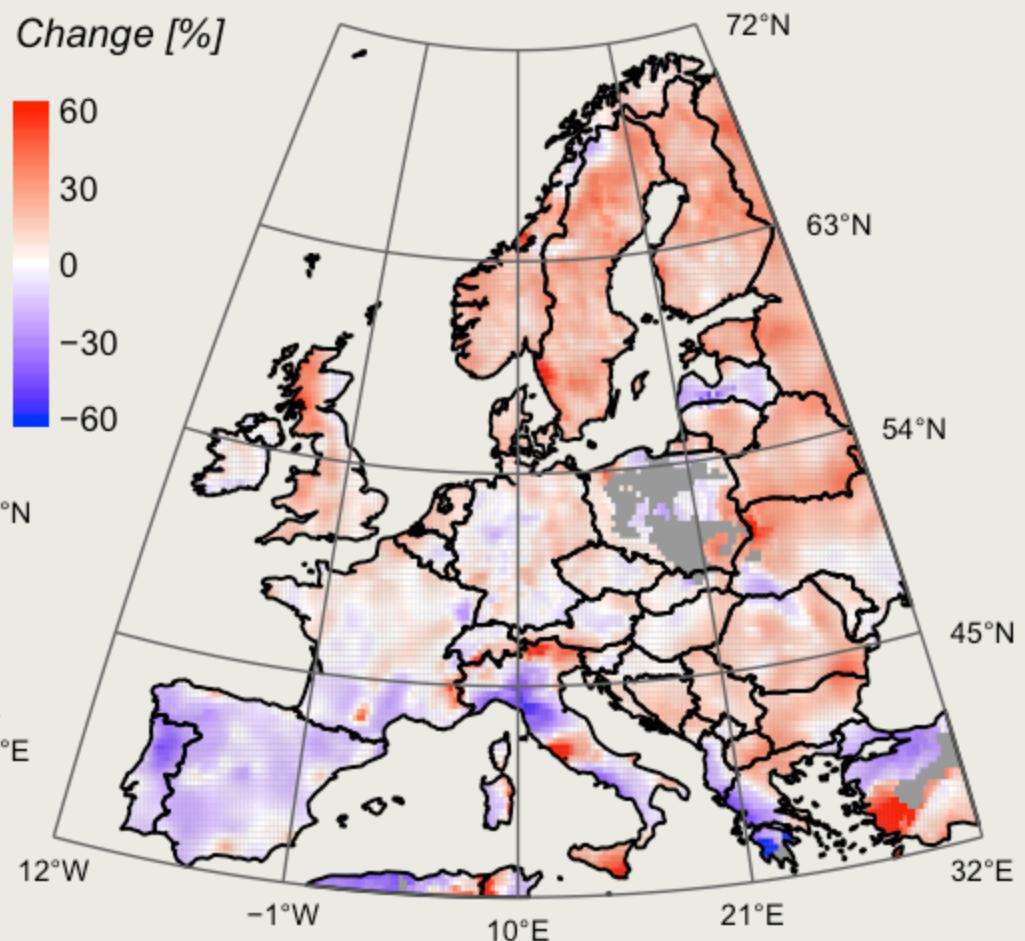
Climate: precipitation change

Precipitation 1960



Divergent precipitation change

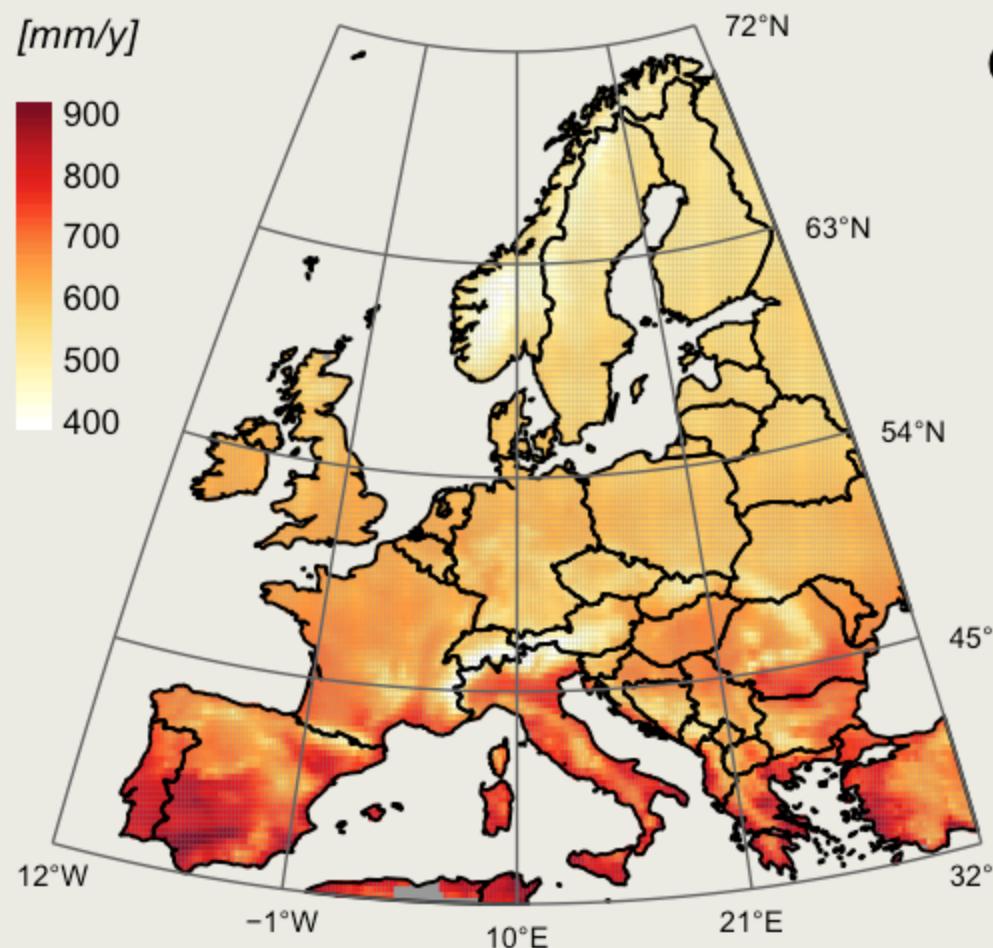
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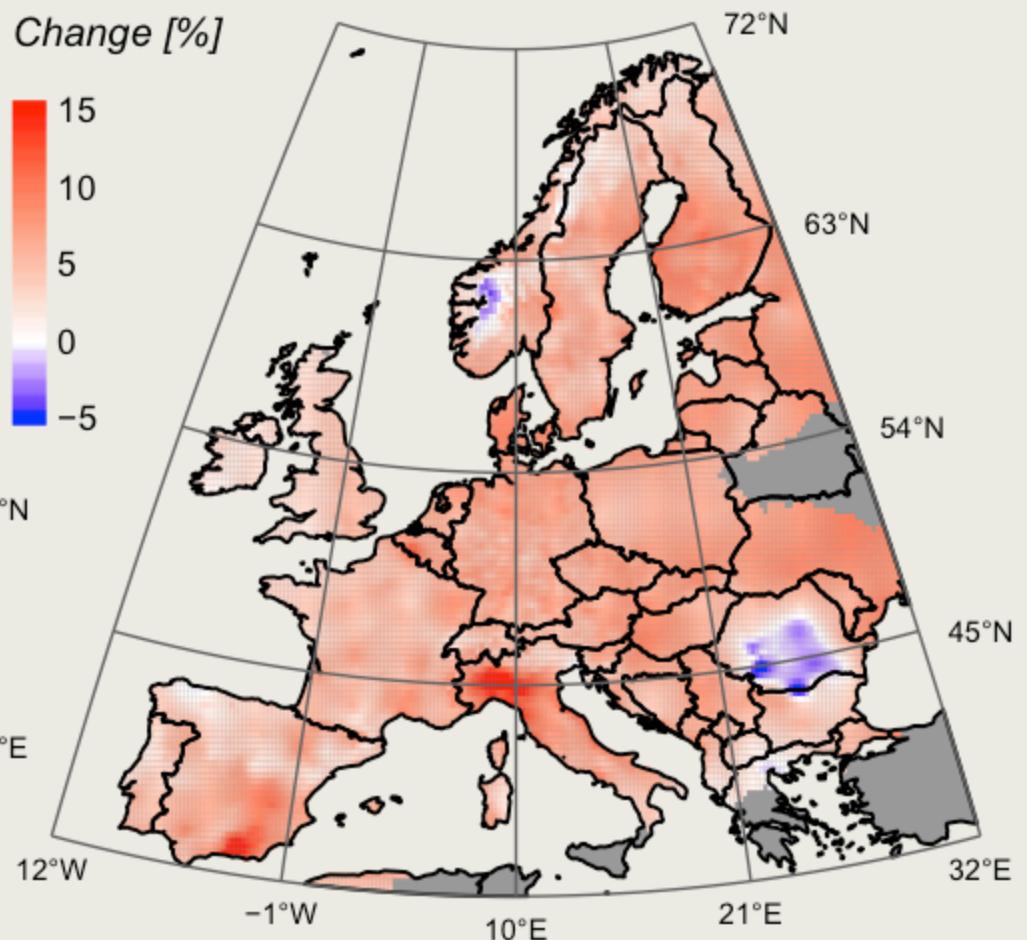
Climate: potential evaporation change

PET 1960



Homogenous PET increases

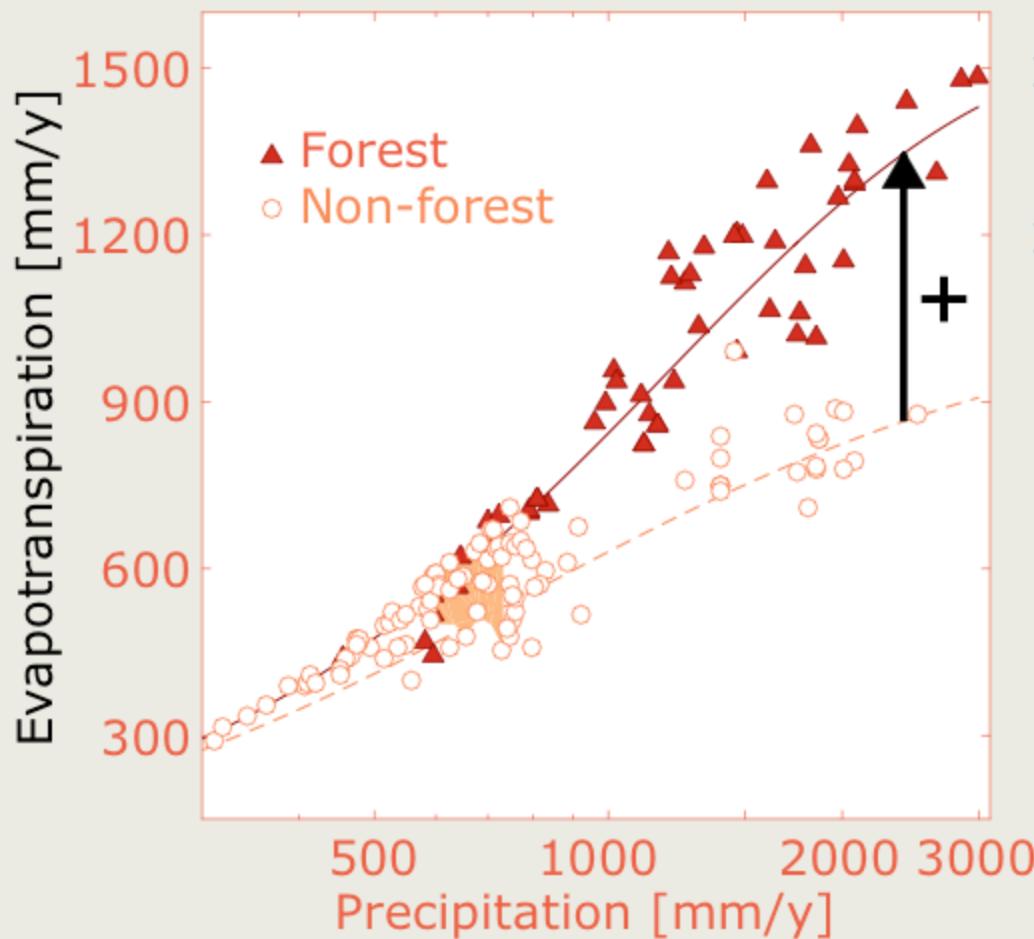
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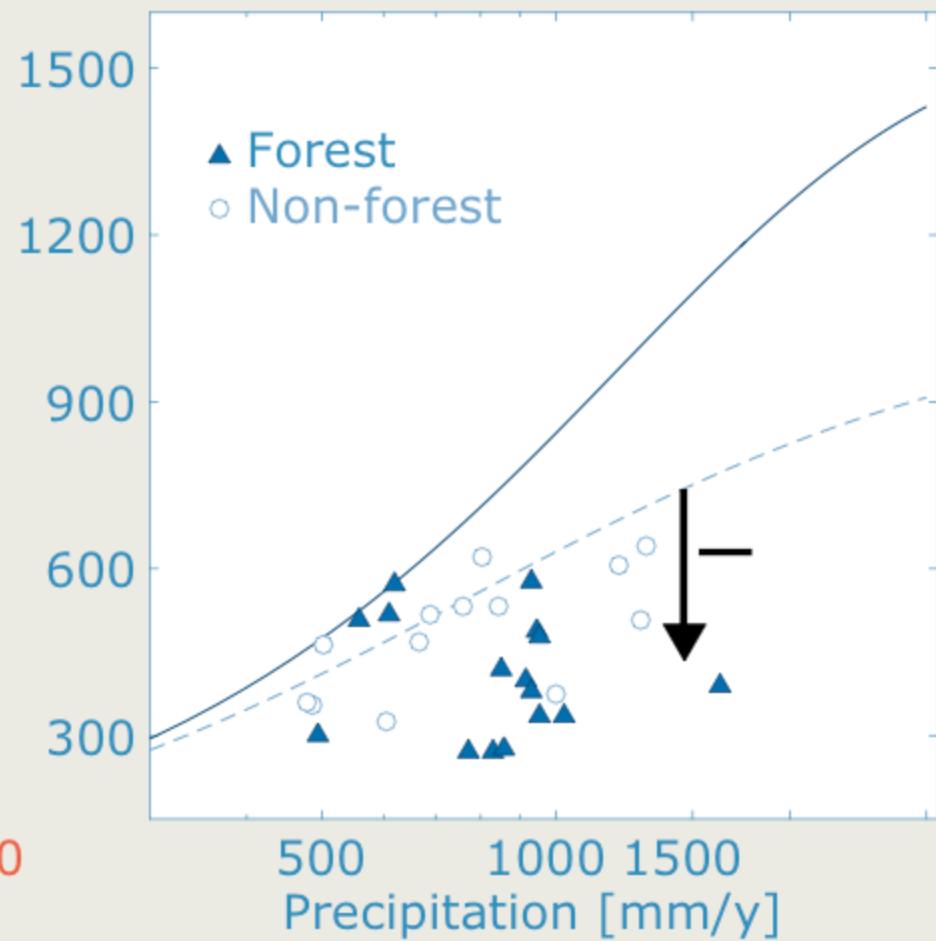
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A forest evapotranspiration paradox?

Catchment water balance



Surface energy balance



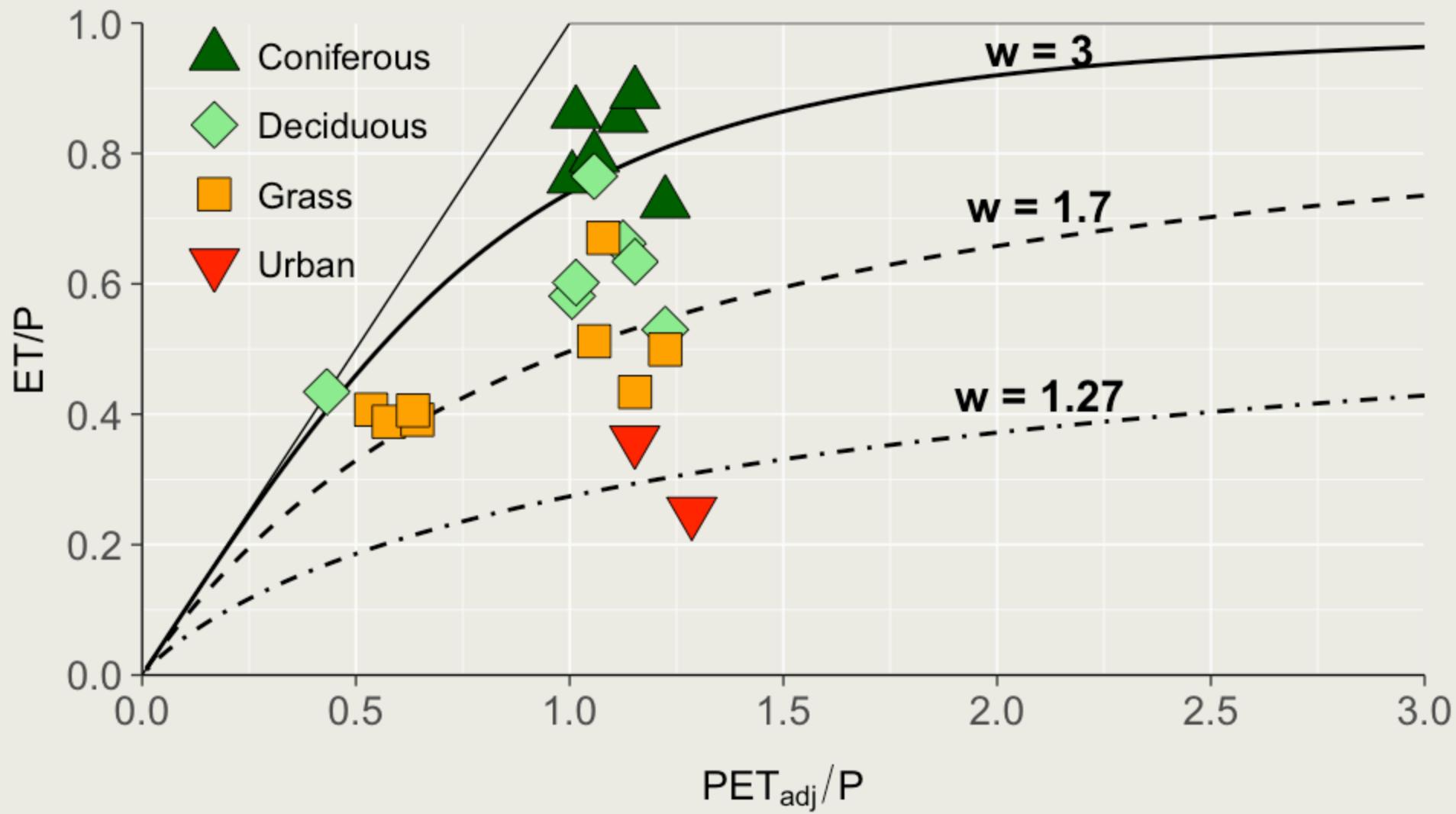
Paradox: Sign of ET difference depends on method!

Zhang et al. (2001), *Water Resour. Res.* **37**

Williams et al. (2012), *Water Resour. Res.* **48**

Teuling (2018), *Vadose Zone J.* **17**

Budyko parameters from lysimeter data

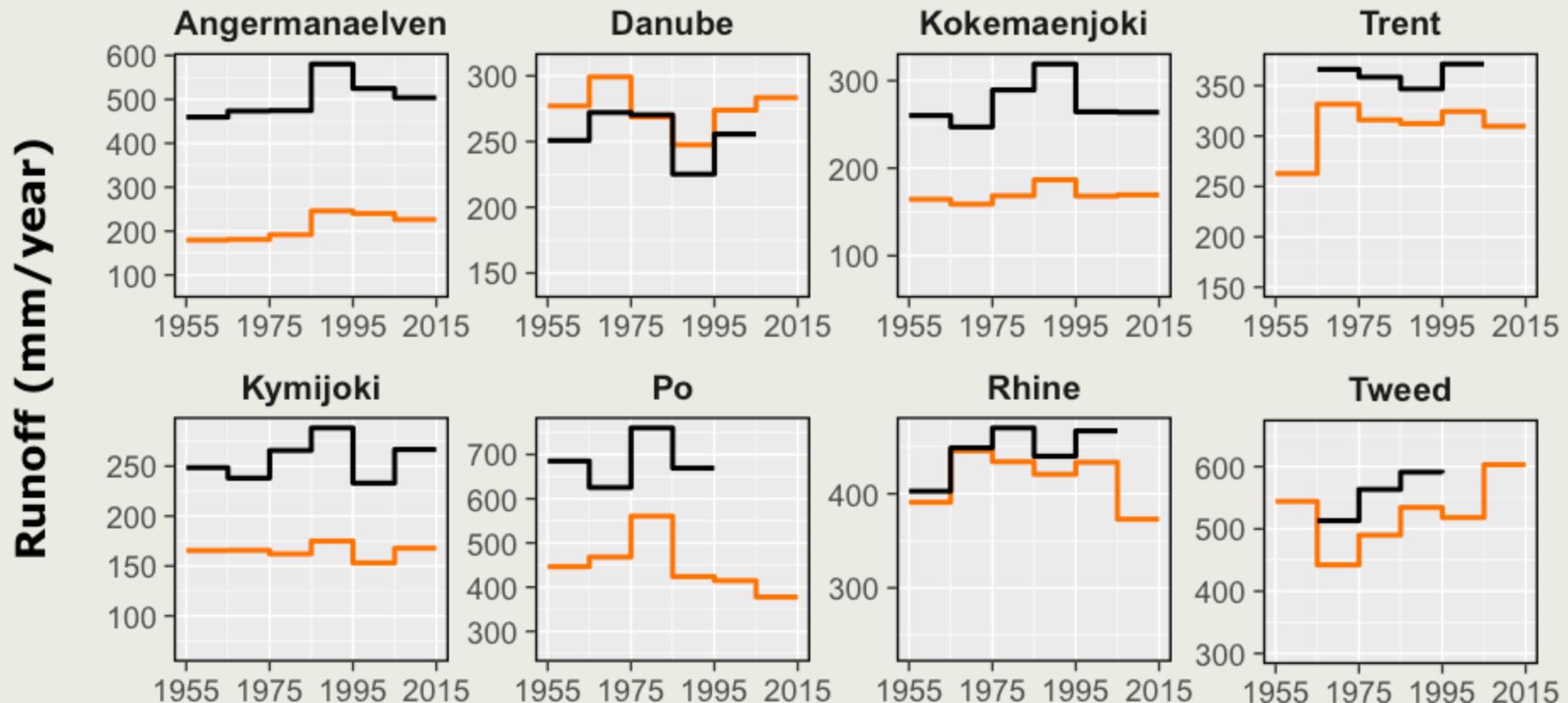


Calder (1976), *J. Hydrol.* **30**

Jacobs et al. (2015), *Build. Environm.* **83**

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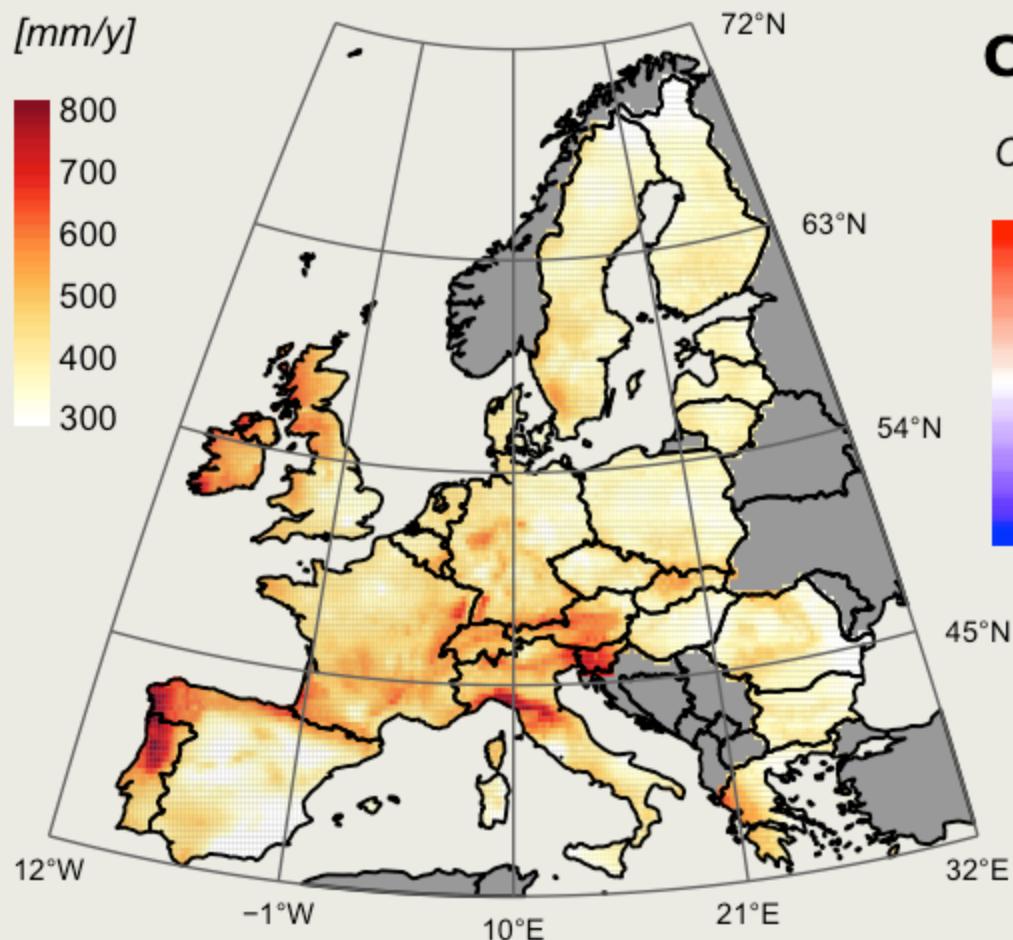
Validation against runoff observations



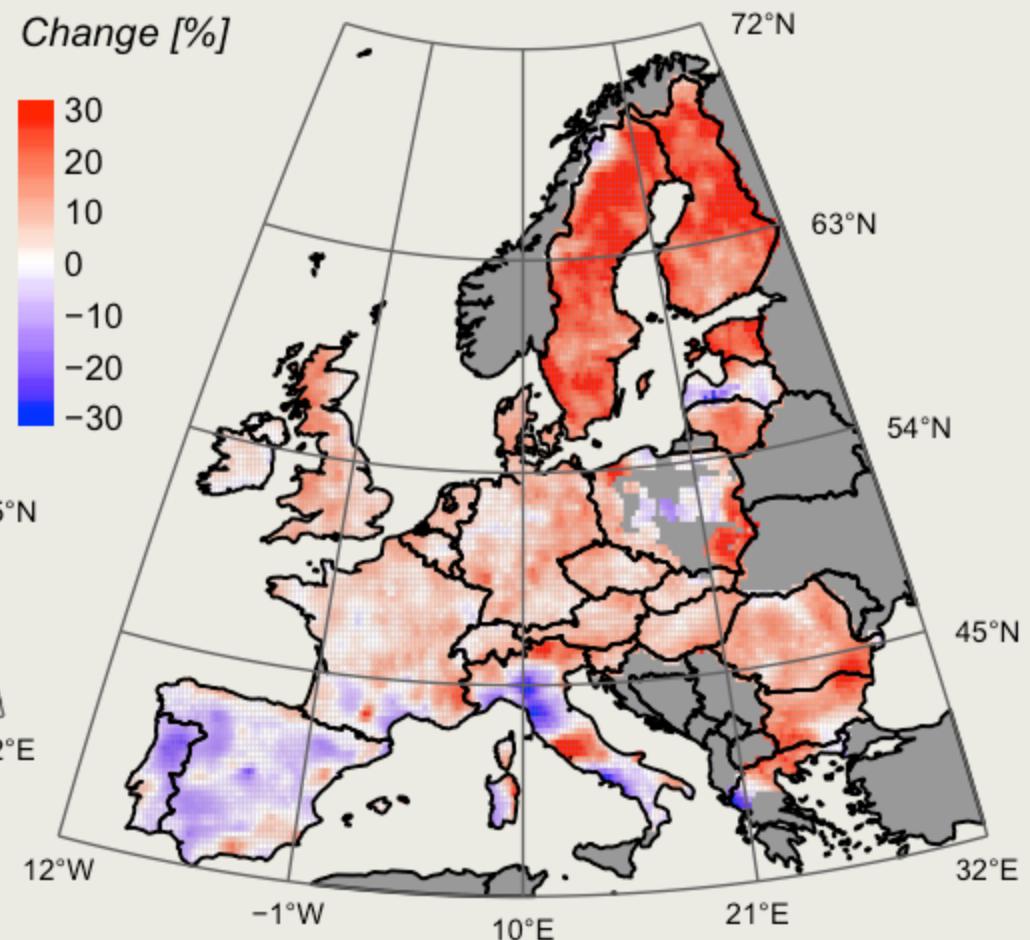
Decadal average blue water fluxes generally showed a good relation with runoff observations for large river basins across Europe

Gradient in green water flux changes

Evapotranspiration 1960



Change 1960–2010

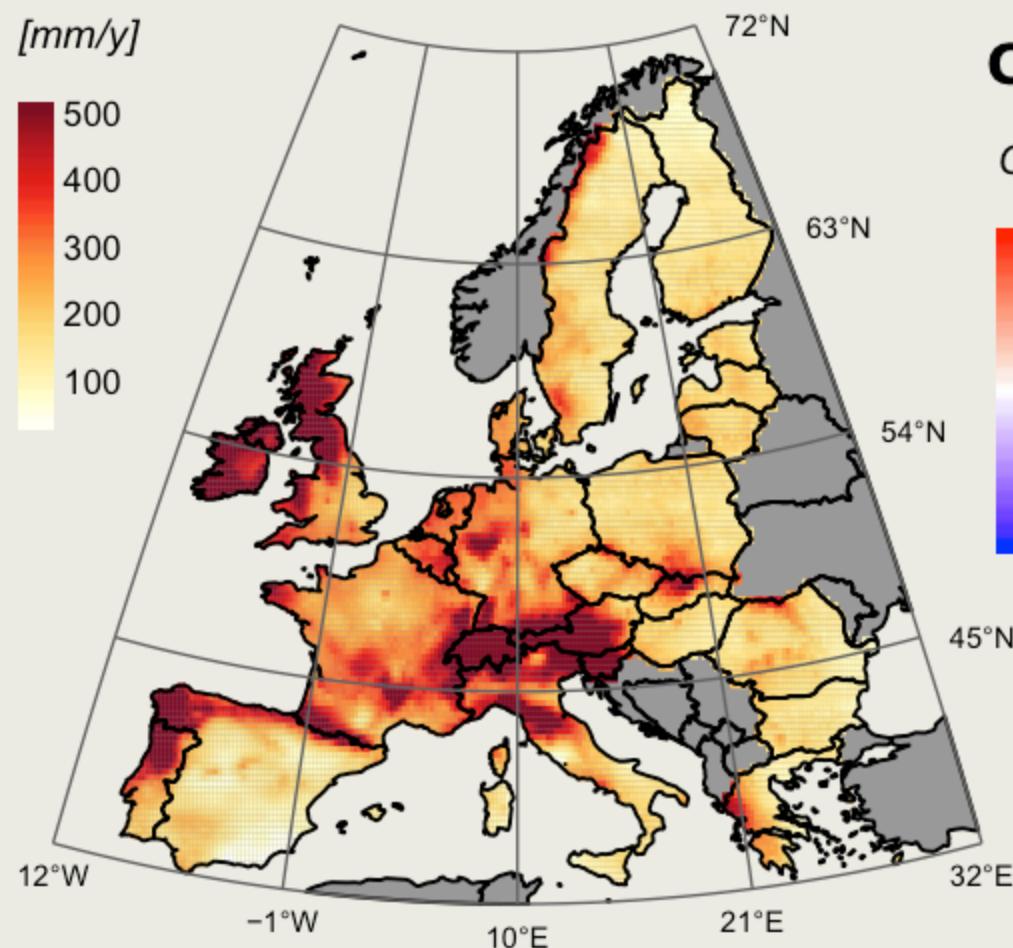


North-south gradient dominates

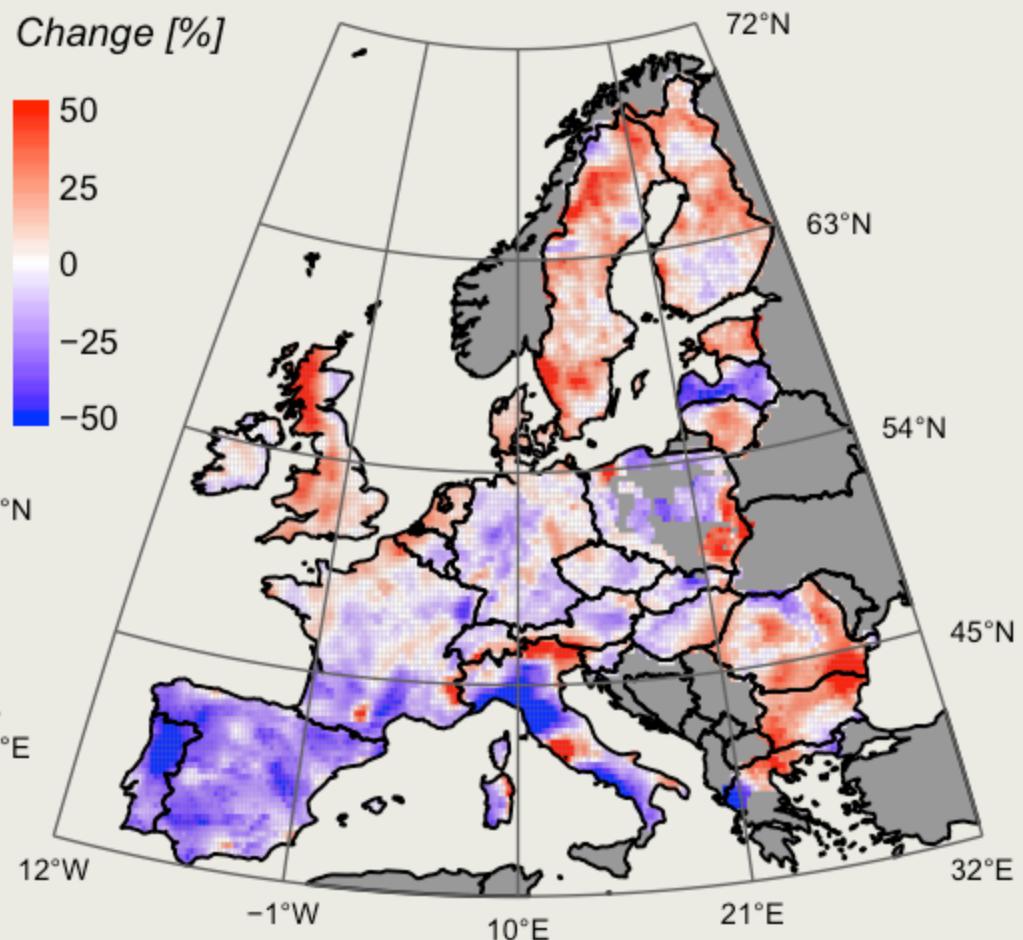
de Badts (2018), MSc thesis

More complex pattern in blue water fluxes

Runoff 1960



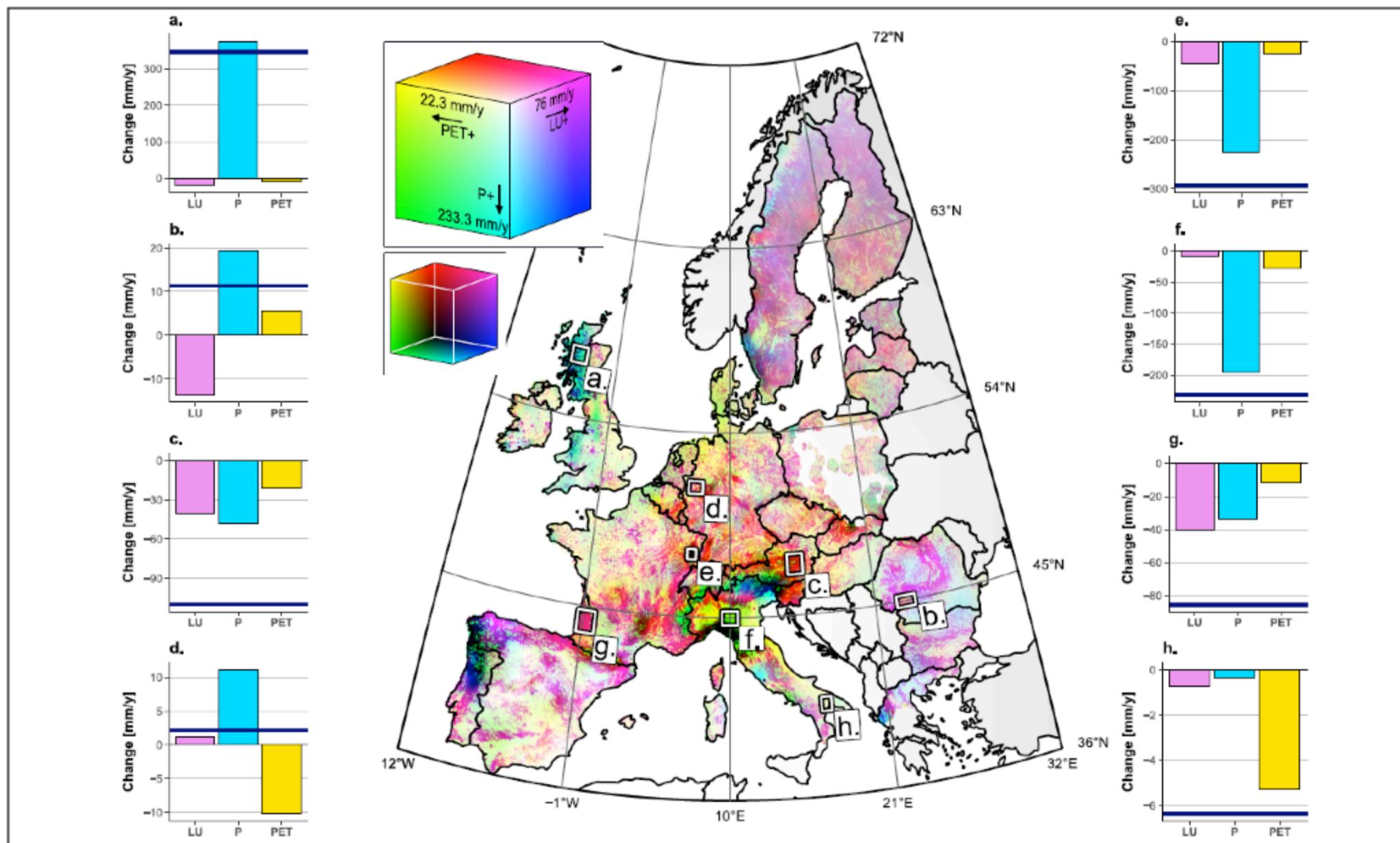
Change 1960–2010



Additional spatial complexity

de Badts (2018), *MSc thesis*

What drives changes in blue water fluxes?



de Badts (2018), *MSc thesis WUR*
Pijl et al. (2018), *Anthropocene* **22**



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Positive vs. negative contributions

	<i>Factor</i>	<i>Positive (km^3y^{-1})</i>	<i>Negative (km^3y^{-1})</i>	<i>Net (km^3y^{-1})</i>
ET	Land-use	68.7	-7.4	61.3
	Precipitation	97.2	-52.2	45.0
	PET	33.7	-0.2	33.5
Runoff	Land-use	7.4	-68.7	-61.3
	Precipitation	160.0	-80.4	79.6
	PET	0.2	-33.7	-33.5

Conclusions

- Climate change exceeds land cover impact on blue water fluxes
- Strong climate gradient, land cover impact more consistent
- Parsimonious modeling approach consistent with observations