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Locally adapted stand-scale forest management alternatives for the 21st century

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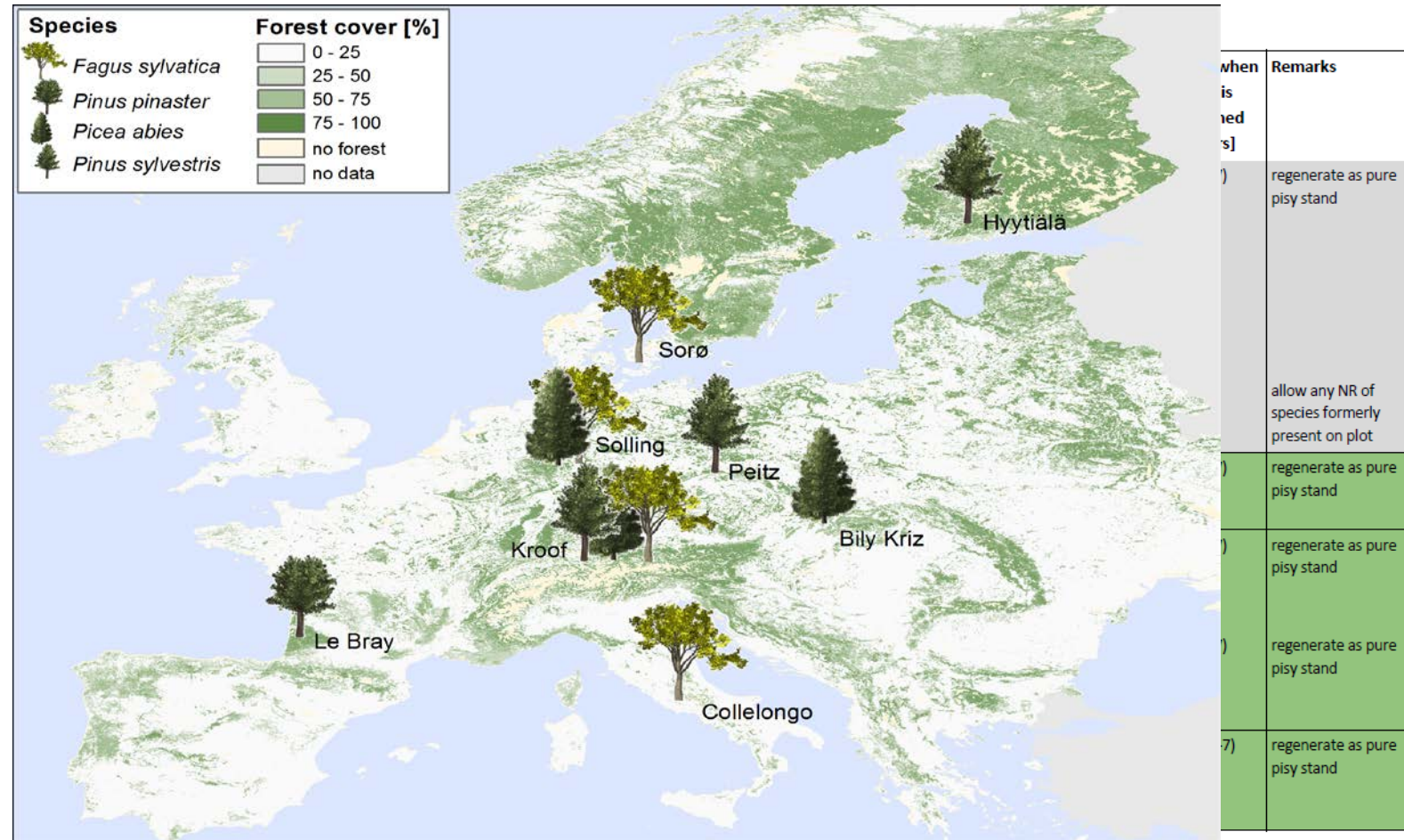
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objectives

- **FORMASAM: development** of locally adapted stand scale **alternative forest management systems**
- investigate distinct **alternative management scenarios** for their climate change **mitigation potential**
- analyse the **interacting effects of climate change and forest management on forest dynamics**

FORMASAM management scenarios

- **9 typical European forest stands across** (PROFOUND DB, Reyer et al. 2019)
- **local expertise** for the construction of realistic alternative management systems
- management definition by **rotation period, thinning regime, harvest type, planting**



FORMASAM management scenarios

Table 23: Detailed FORMASAM management schedule for Hyytiälä. Ini = Initialization data, HM = Historic Management, FM = Future Management, TB=Thinning from below, TA = Thinning from above, H= Harvest, P=Planting

Name	Ini	HM	FM1	FM2	FM3	FM4	FM5	FM6	FM7	FM8	FM9	FM10	FM11	FM12	FM13	FM14	FM15	FM16	FM17	FM18	FM19	Remarks	
Current generic	1995	1996-2011	2026	2041	2056	2071	2086	2101	2102	2117	...	2242	2243	2258	...								Only simulate pine and spruce (no hard-woods) and regenerate as pure pine stand.
		TB	TB20	TB20	TB20	TB20	TB20	H	P	TB20	TB20	H	P	TB20	TB20								
Current Site-specific	1995	1996-2011	2031	2051	2052	2072	2102	2122	2142	2143	2163	2193	2213	2233	2234	2254	2284	2304					
		TB	TA20	H	P	TB20	TB20	TA20	H	P	TB20	TB20	TA20	H	P	TB20	TB20	TA20					
Bioenergy	1995	1996-2011	2021	2022	2042	2082	2083	2103	2143	2144	2164	2204	2205	2225	2265	2266	2286	2326					
		TB	H	P	TB25	H	P	TB25	H	P	TB25	H	P	TB25	H	P	TB25	H					
HWP	1995	1996-2011	2031	2071	2081	2082	2102	2132	2152	2192	2202	2203	2223	2253	2273	2313							
		TB	TA10	TA10	H	P	TB10	TB10	TA10	TA10	H	P	TB10	TB10	TA10	TA10							
Multifunctional-Adapted	1995	1996-2011	2021	2041	2042	2062	2082	2102	2122	2123	2143	2163	2183	2203	2204	2224	2244	2264	2284	2285	2305		
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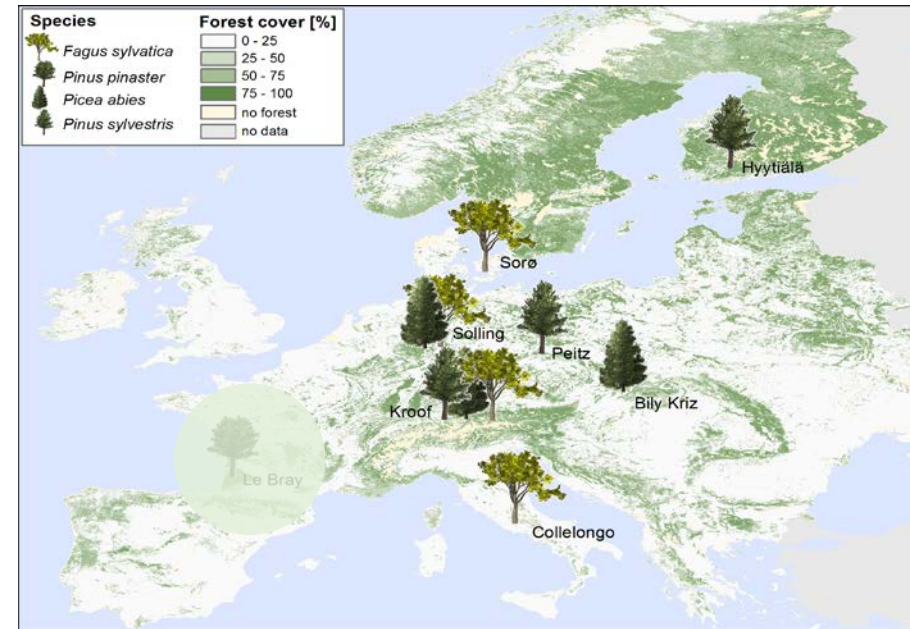
FORMASAM management scenarios

	current site specific (CSS)		bioenergy focussed (BE)		harvested wood products (HWP)		multifunctionally adapted (MFA)		no management (noMan)		
	deciduous	coniferous	deciduous	coniferous	deciduous	coniferous	deciduous	coniferous	deciduous	coniferous	
silvicultural system	shelterwood / even-aged clearcut	even-aged clearcut	even-aged clearcut / shelterwood	even-aged clearcut	even-aged clearcut / shelterwood	even-aged clearcut	even-aged clearcut	even-aged clearcut	even-aged clearcut / shelterwood	-	-
rotation length	97.5 years	107 years	70 (-27.5) years	62 (-45) years	105 (+7.5) years	118 (+11) years	90 (-7.5) years	110 (+3) years	-	-	
mean thinning return period	12 years	17 years	21 (+9) years	27 (+10) years	14 (+2) years	20 (+3) years	11 (-1) years	17 (+0) years	-	-	
mean thinning intensity	19 % BA	19 % BA	21 (+2) % BA	25 (+6) % BA	18 (-1) % BA	13 (-6) % BA	19 (+0) % BA	15 (-4) % BA	-	-	
thinning regime	above-below / below-above	<u>below</u> / above-below / below-above	<u>below</u> / above	below	<u>below-above</u> / above	above / below-above	<u>below-above</u> / above-below	above / below-above / above-below	-	-	
harvest type	stem only	stem only	stem + branches (+ stumps)	stem + branches (+ stumps)	stem only	stem only	stem only	stem only	-	-	
species	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i> , <i>Picea abies</i>	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i> , <i>Picea abies</i>	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i> , <i>Picea abies</i>	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>, <i>Pseudotsuga meziesii</i>, <i>Betula pendula</i>, <i>Picea abies</i>, <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>, <i>Quercus pubescens</i>	<i>Picea abies</i>, <i>Pinus sylvestris</i>, <i>Fagus sylvatica</i>, <i>Abies alba</i>, <i>Quercus robur</i>, <i>Betula pendula</i>, <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	<i>Pinus sylvestris</i> , <i>Picea abies</i>	

simulation setup



- 8 sites simulated across Europe with alternative management scenarios
- 4-5 locally-adapted management scenarios
- simulation period: 1944-1997 to 2100



GCMs
IPSL
GFDL
MIROC5

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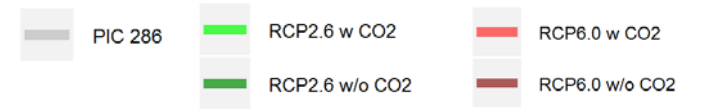
climate scenarios
RCP 2.6 with CO2 fertilization (w CO2)
RCP 2.6 without CO2 fertilization (w/o CO2)
RCP 6.0 with CO2 fertilization (w CO2)
RCP 6.0 without CO2 fertilization (w/o CO2)
pre-industrial control with CO2 fixed at 286 ppm

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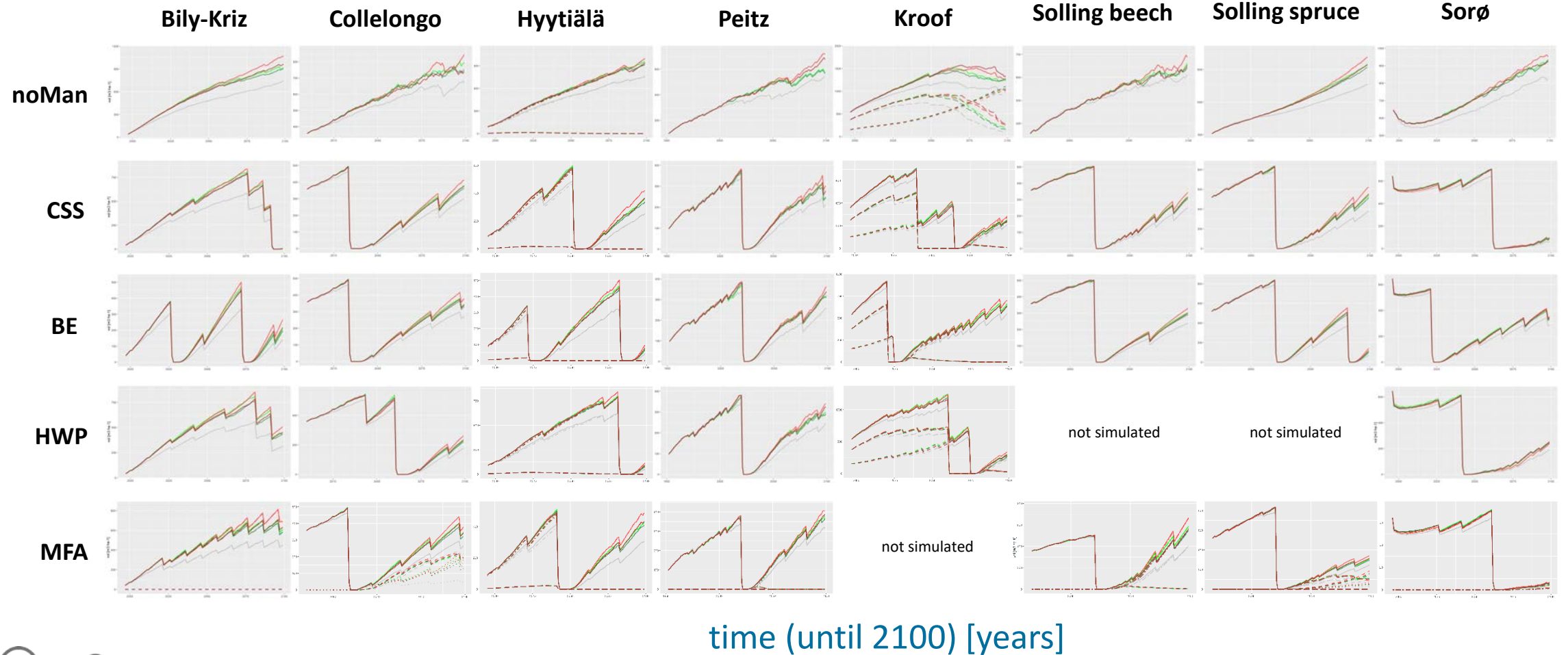
FORMASAM management scenarios
noMan : no management (control)
CSS : current site-specific (BAU)
BE : bioenergy (mitigation)
HWP : harvested wood products (mitigation)
MFA : multifunctionally adapted (adaptation)



simulation study

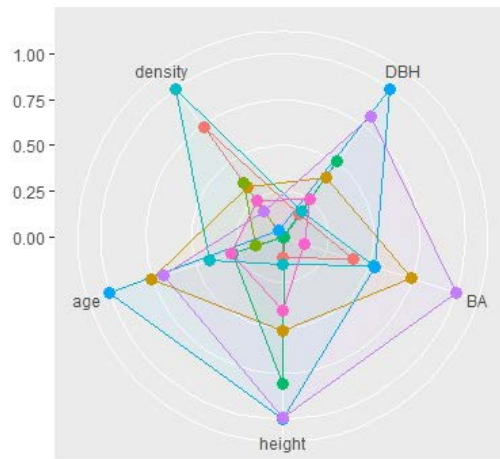


stand volume [m³ / ha]

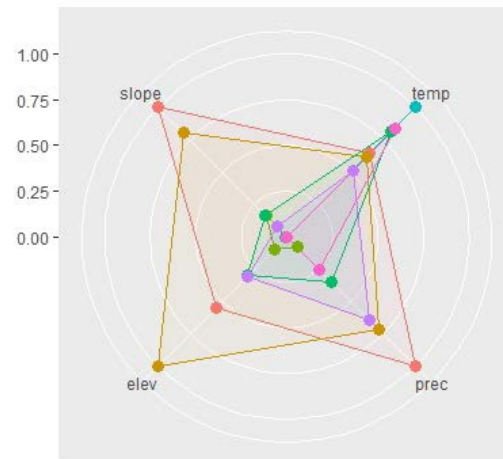


climate change effects on productivity

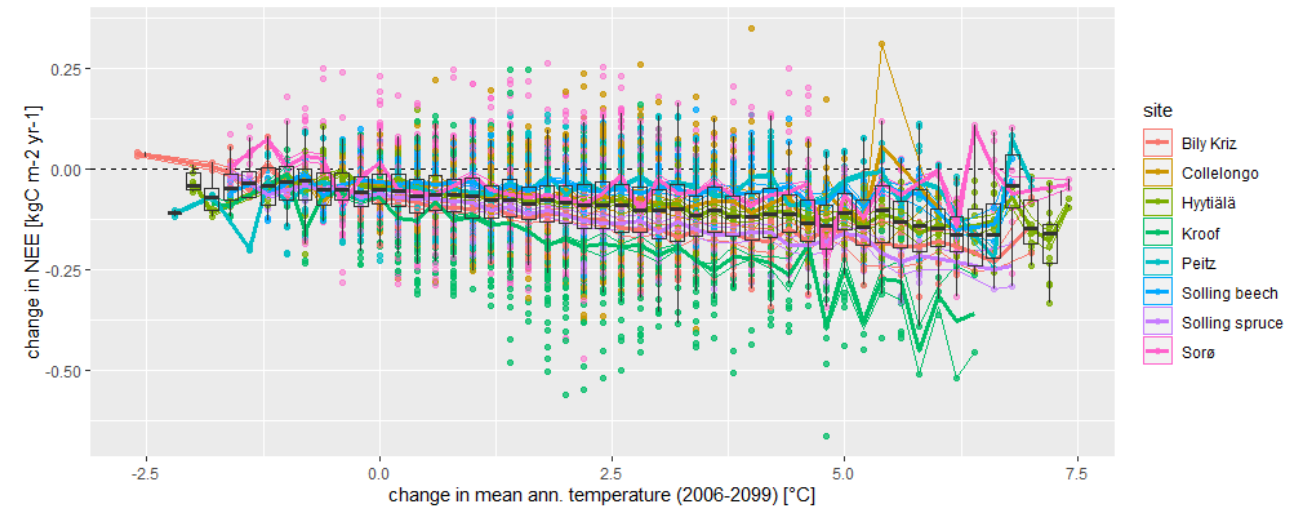
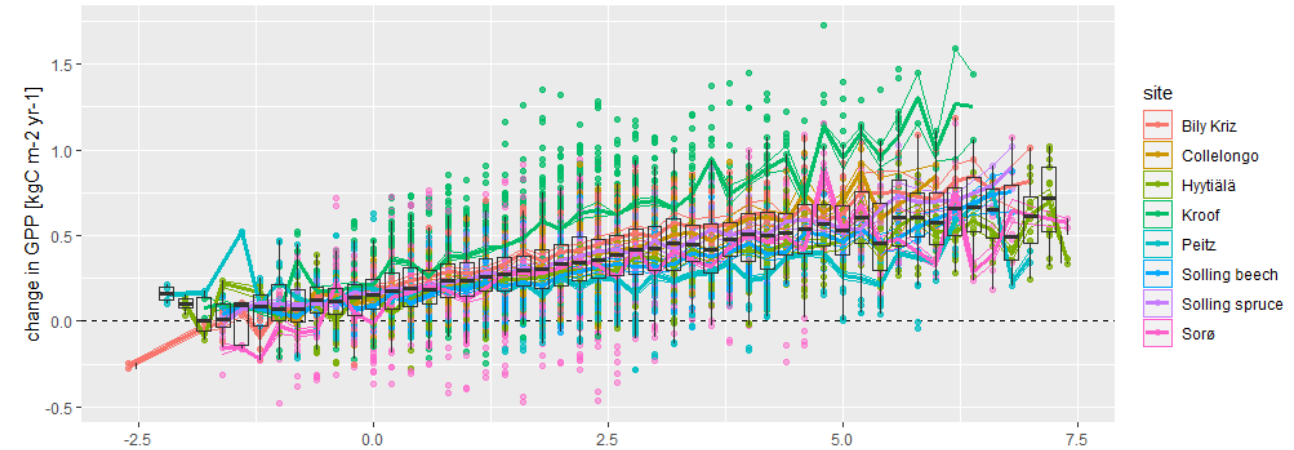
- increase in **gross productivity** with temperature increase
- small **ecosystem productivity** increase despite increased **respiration**



stand description



site description



mitigation potential and harvest rate



- allocation of net ecosystem production into carbon pools / harvest is moderated by management
- potential substitution effects from harvested products

conclusions

- the **managment system affects the net ecosystem productivity** as well as **allocation of assimilated carbon to carbon pools** in the forest
- net ecosystem productivity increase needs to be considered in the light of potential water or nitrogen limiting conditions

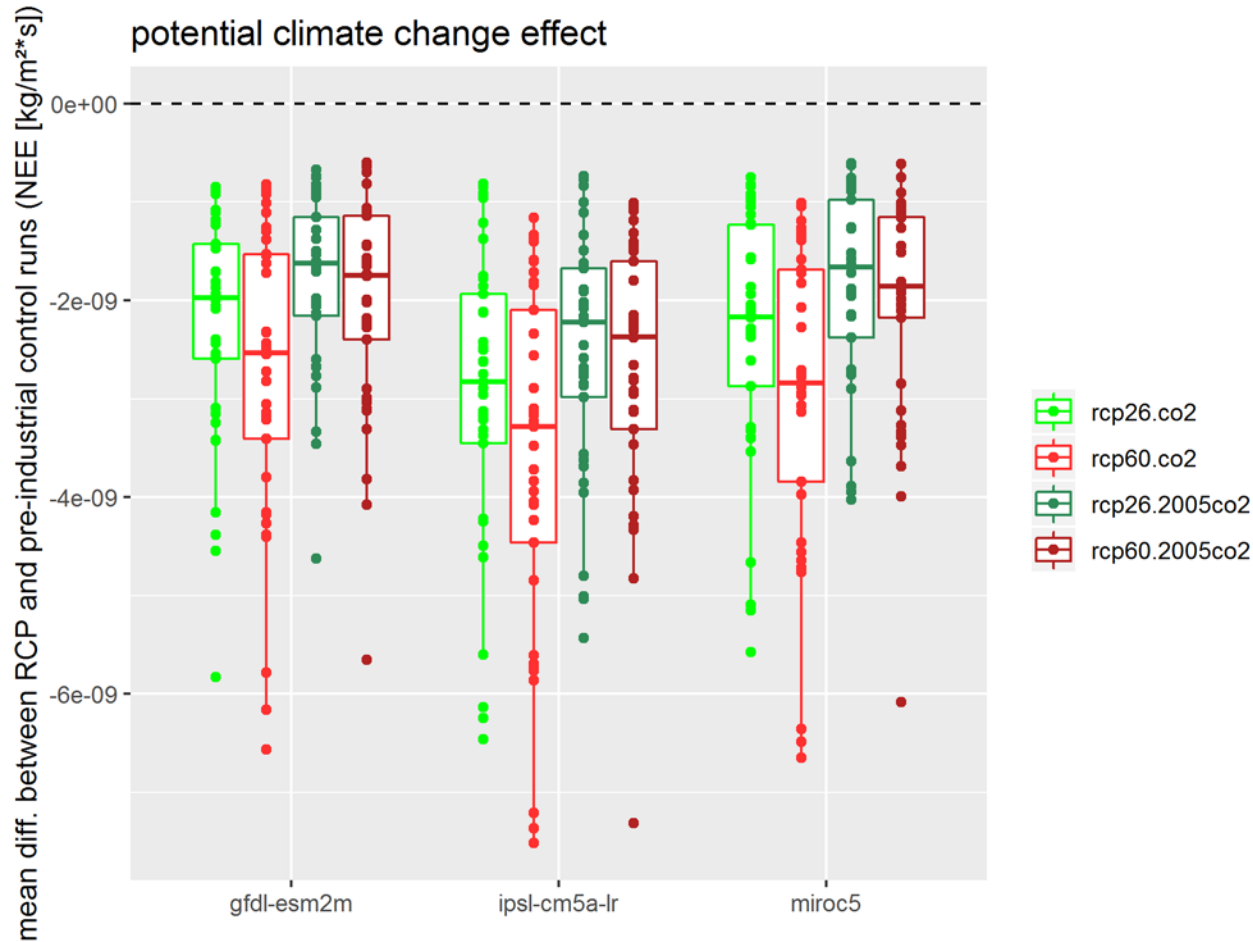
- **outlook:** analysis of harmonized simulations from FORMASAM model ensemble



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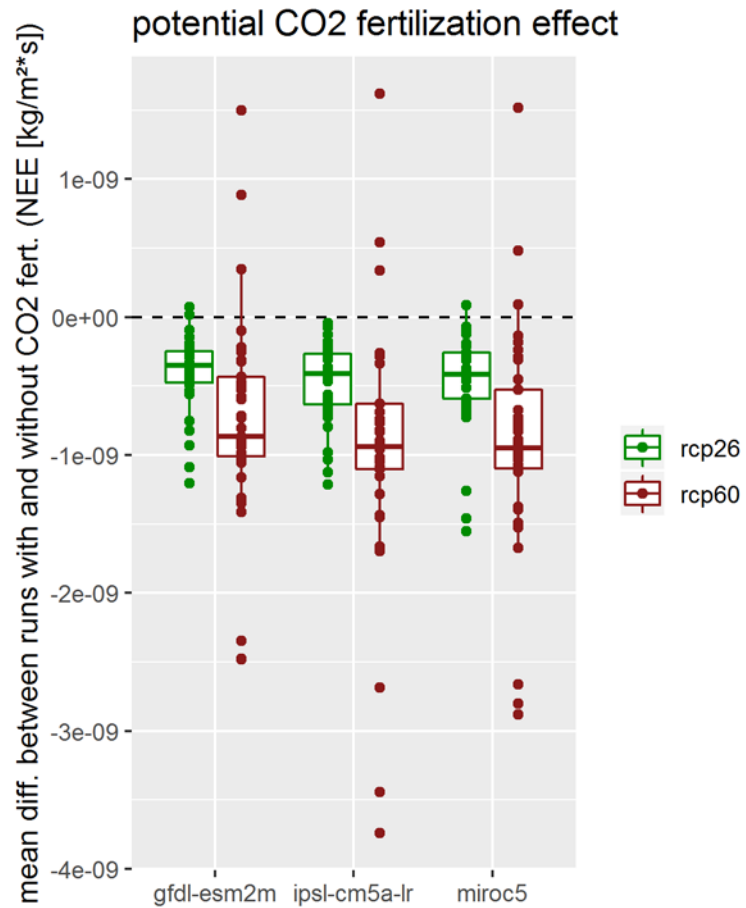
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productivity response to climate change



- net ecosystem productivity (NEE) is overall increasing for all sites with lower (RCP 2.6) and higher (RCP 6.0) climate change pathways
- the climate change effect is even higher if CO₂ fertilization is included
- surprisingly also the water limited sites have a boost in NEE - lack of disturbances in simulation

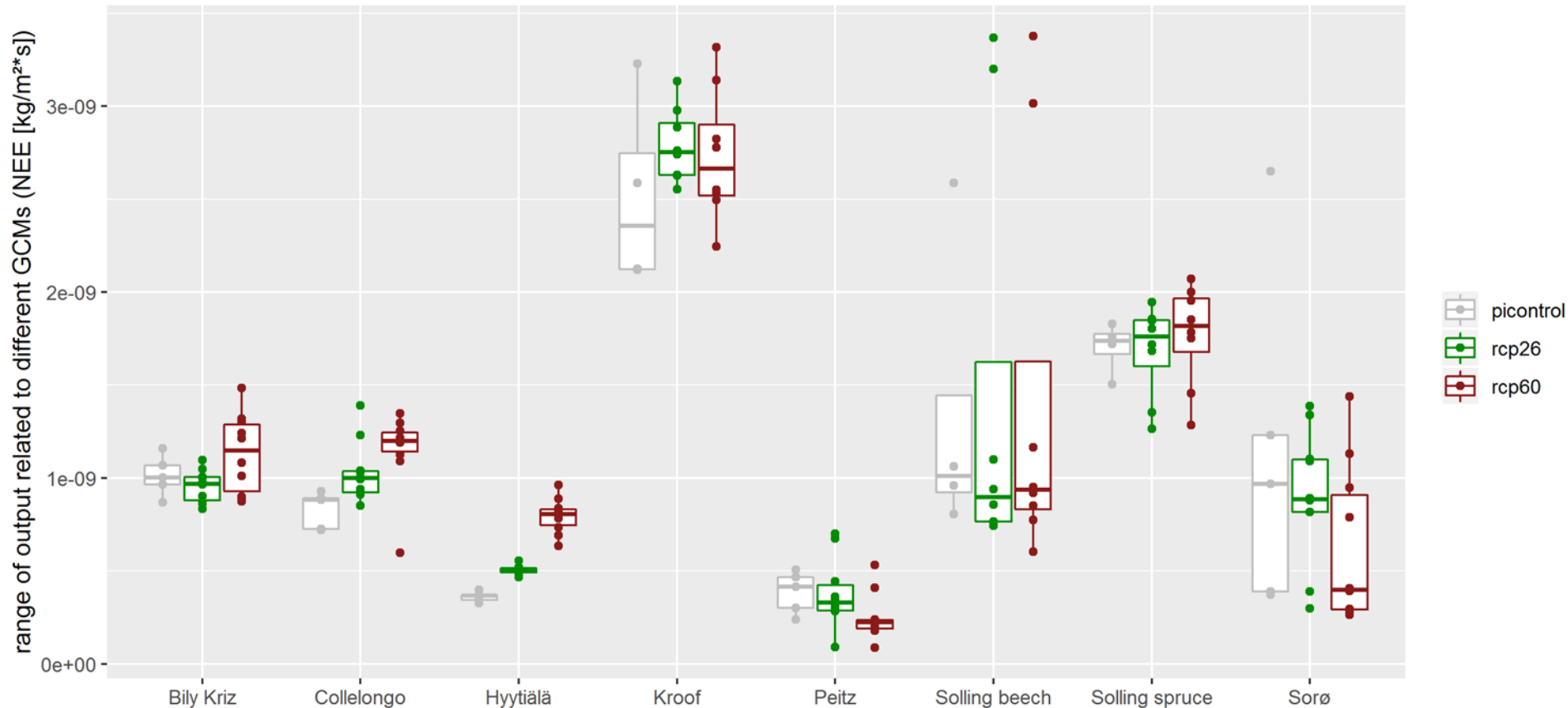
productivity response to full CO2 fertilization



- CO2 fertilization effect on net ecosystem productivity (NEE) for the lower end climate change pathway (RCP 2.6) is always positive
- for higher end climate change pathways (RCP 6.0) CO2 fertilization has for some extreme cases negative effects on NEE

GCM effect on simulated productivity

output variability introduced by GCM



- uncertainty introduced by simulated global climate model forcing data at the same magnitude of uncertainty of climate change effects itself and