



## Quels services éco-hydrologiques nous apportent et nous apporteront les rivières de Suisse?

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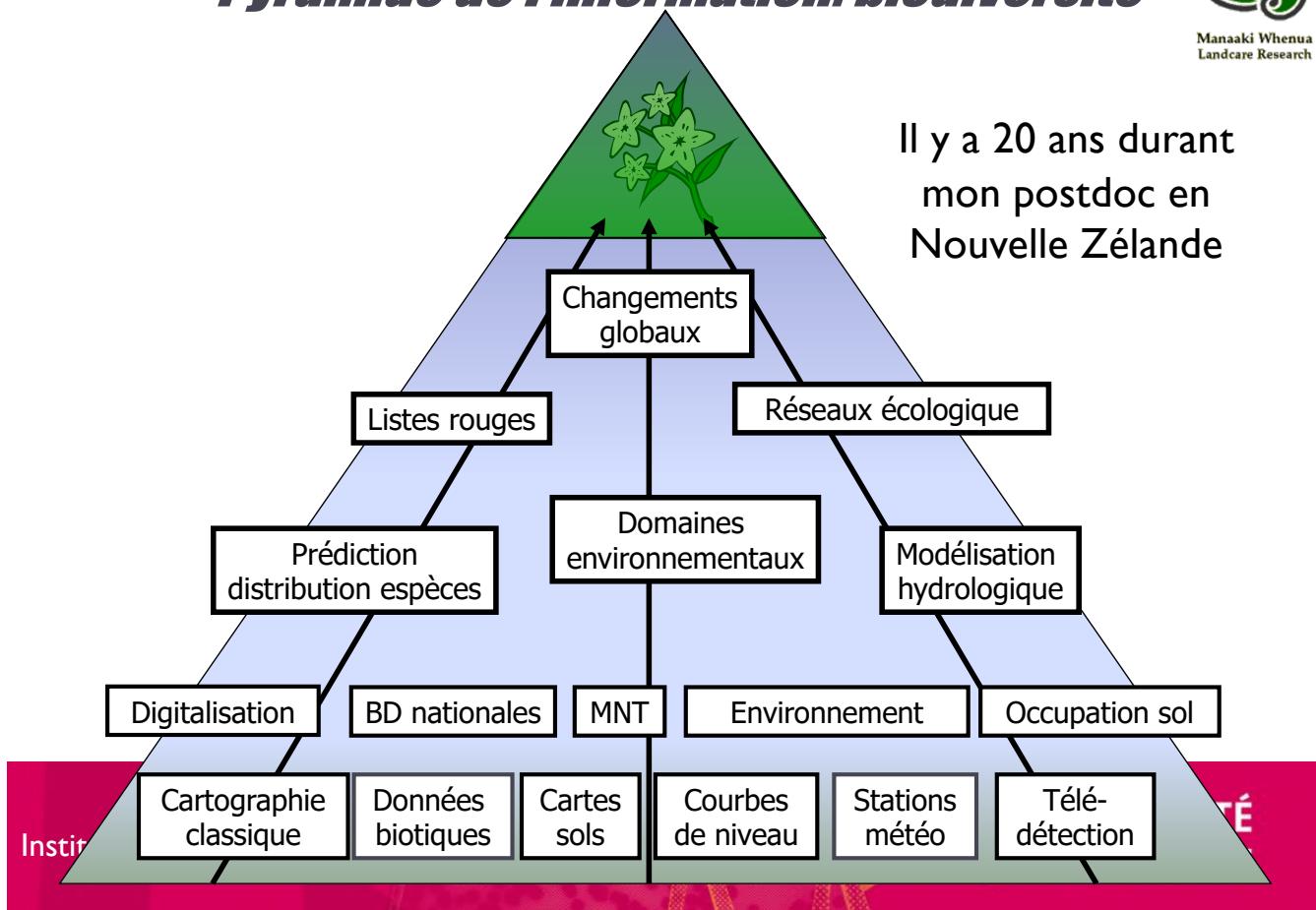
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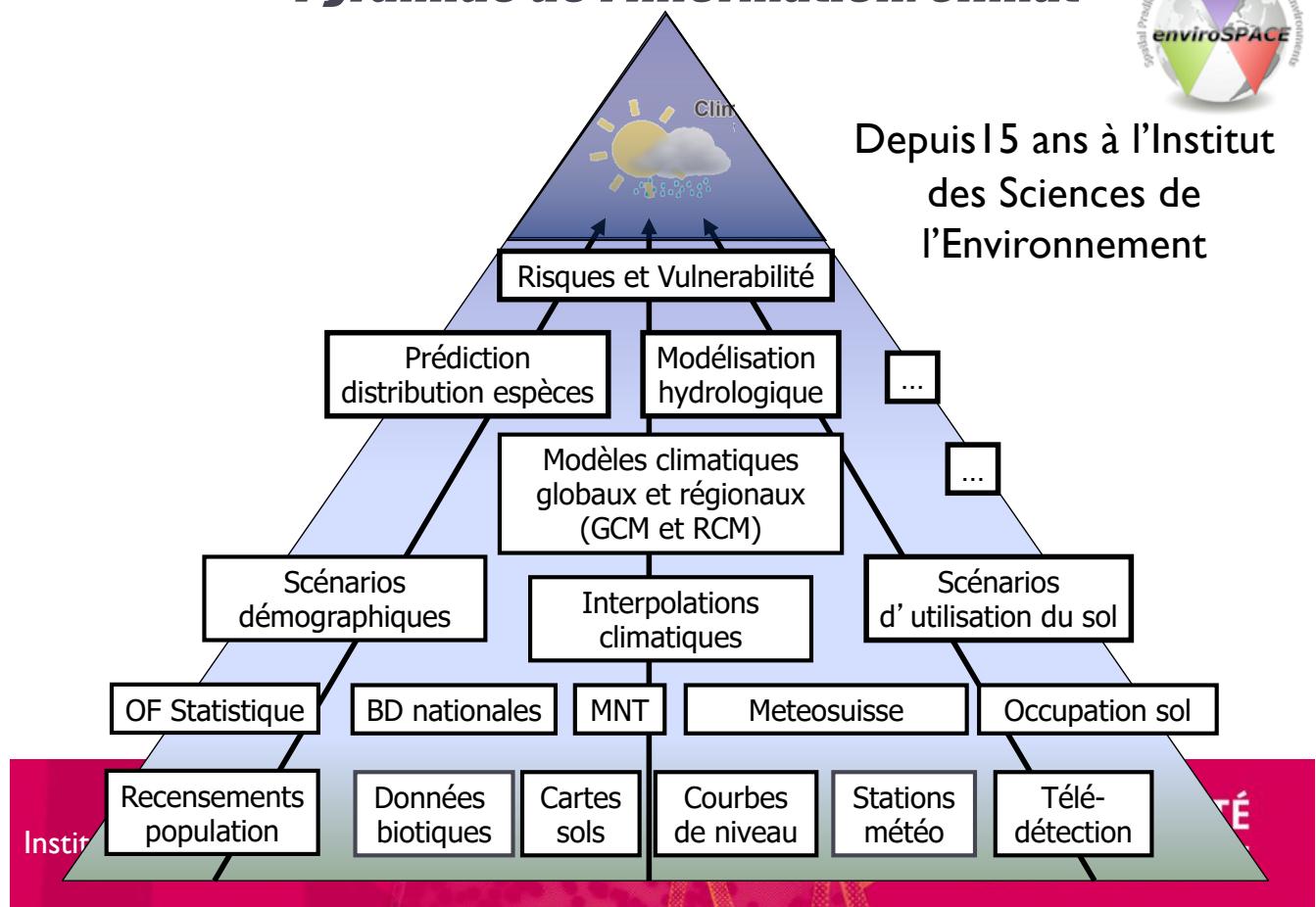
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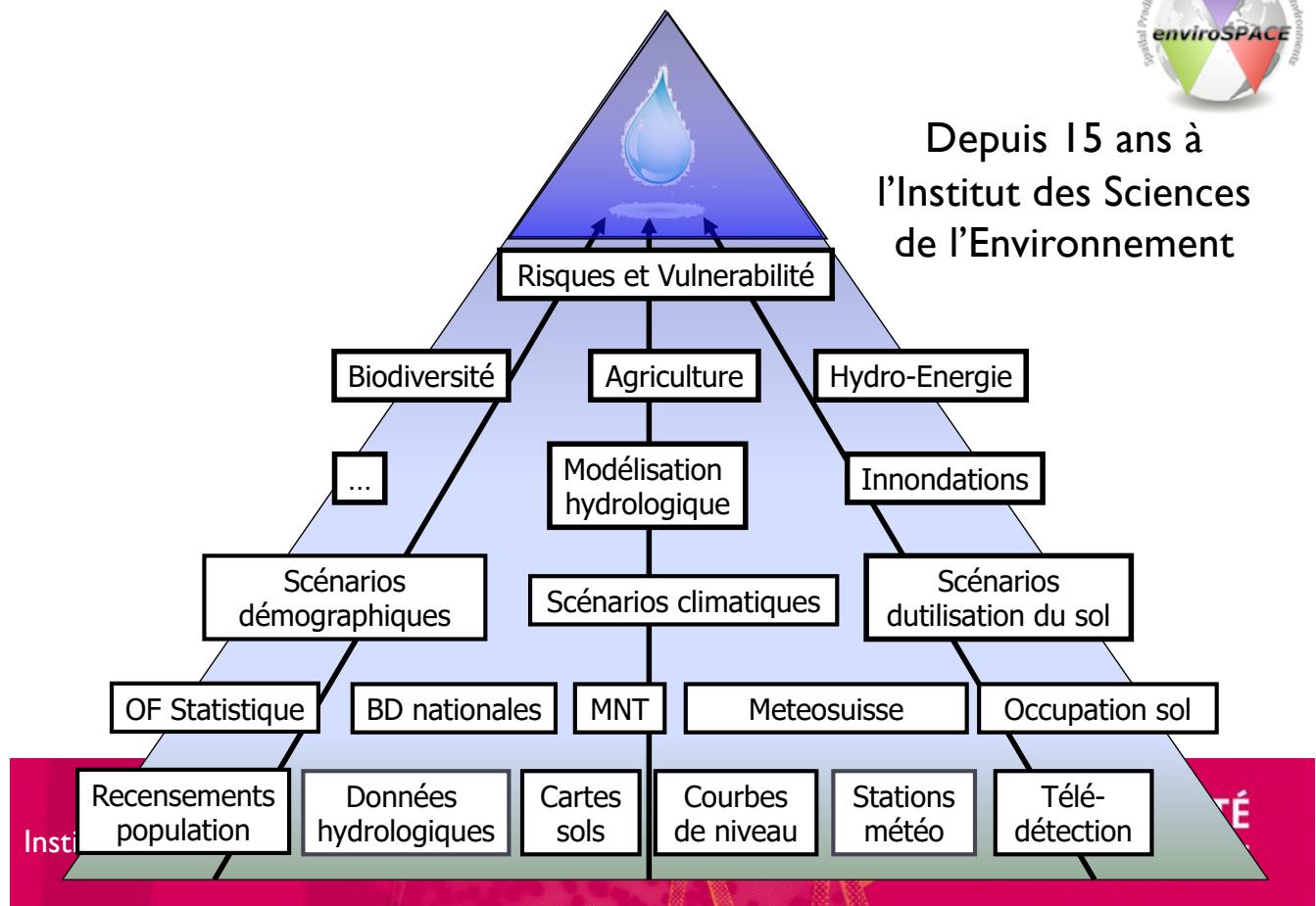
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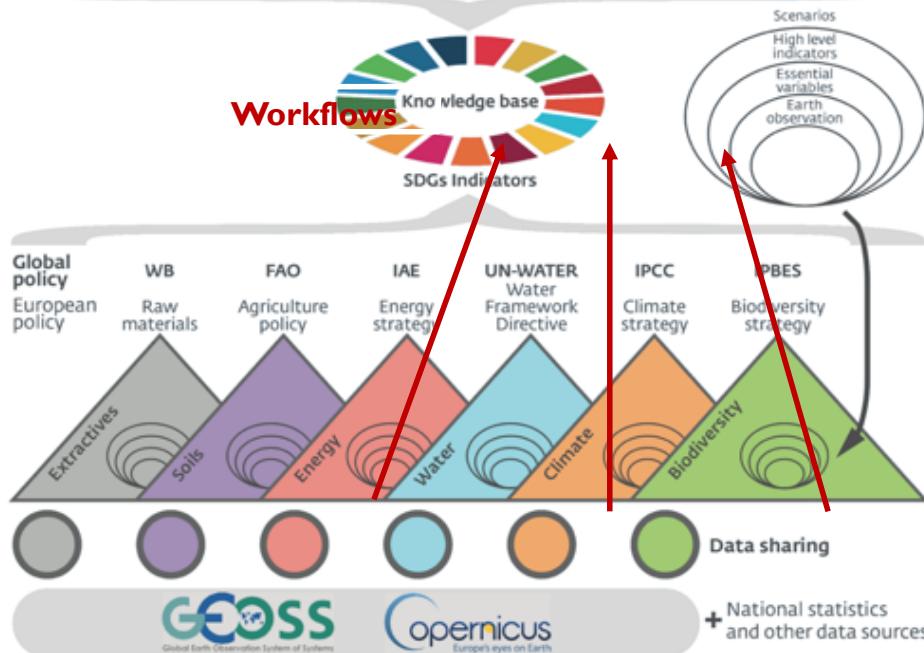


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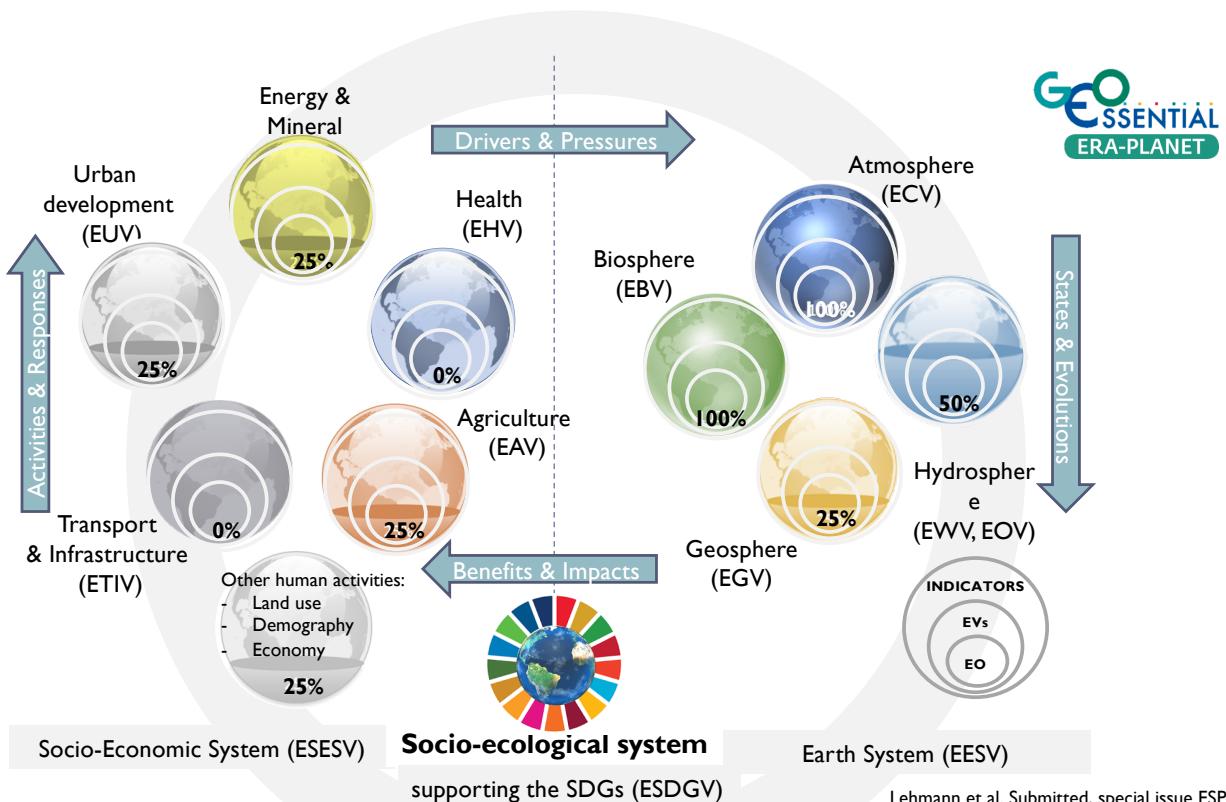


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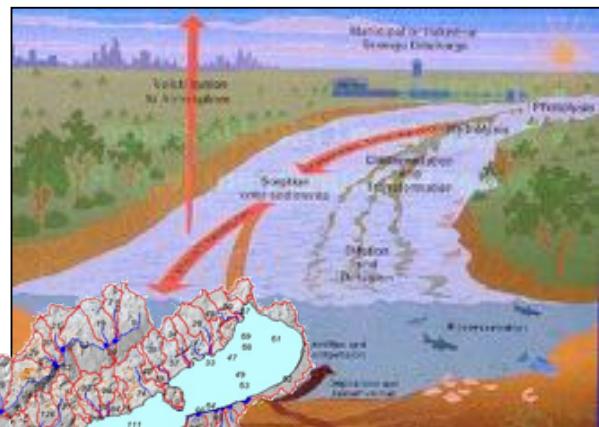
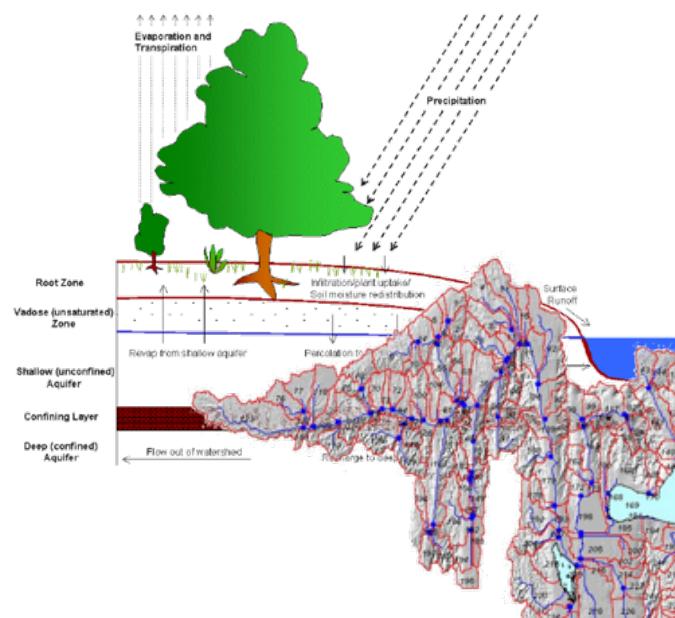




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# SWAT: Soil and Water Assessment Tool



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# SWAT: Soil and Water Assessment Tool



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## SWAT+

Introducing SWAT+, a completely revised version of the SWAT model. SWAT+ provides a more flexible spatial representation of interactions and processes within a watershed.

[Get started with SWAT+](#)

## SWAT 2012

The SWAT model is a command line tool that uses text input and output files. See the other links on this page for interfaces and tools for SWAT 2012.

[Download SWAT 2012 Executables](#)

## RESPONSE

Policy and management options

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# Essential Water Variables & SWAT

Areas of application



Primary Essential Water Variables

Supplementary Essential Water Variables

	Water Cycle Monitoring										Water Cycle Modelling/Prediction									
	Decision Support - Agriculture					Decision Support - Biodiversity					Decision Support - Climate					Decision Support - Ecosystem				
	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Precipitation	x																			
Evaporation and evapotranspiration	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Snow cover (SWF), depth, freeze thaw margins)	x	x				x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Soil moisture/temperature	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Groundwater	x	x	x								x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Rainfall/streamflow/river discharge	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lake/reservoir levels and aquifer volumetric change	x	x				x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Water quality	x	x				x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Water use/demand	x	x	x					x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Glaciomeltic sheets	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Supplementary Variables																				
Surface meteorology	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Surface and atmospheric radiation budget	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Cloud and aerosols	x				x										x	x	x	x	x	x
Land Cover and vegetation/land use	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Permafrost	x	x			x										x					
Elevation/topography and geological stratification		x	x	x				x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

SWAT inputs

SWAT outputs

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Derived from Lawford, R. (ed.), 2014. The GEOSS Water Strategy: From Observations to Decisions.

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## SWATCH21: project description

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SWATCH21: A project for linking eco-hydrologic processes and services to aquatic biodiversity at river and catchment levels

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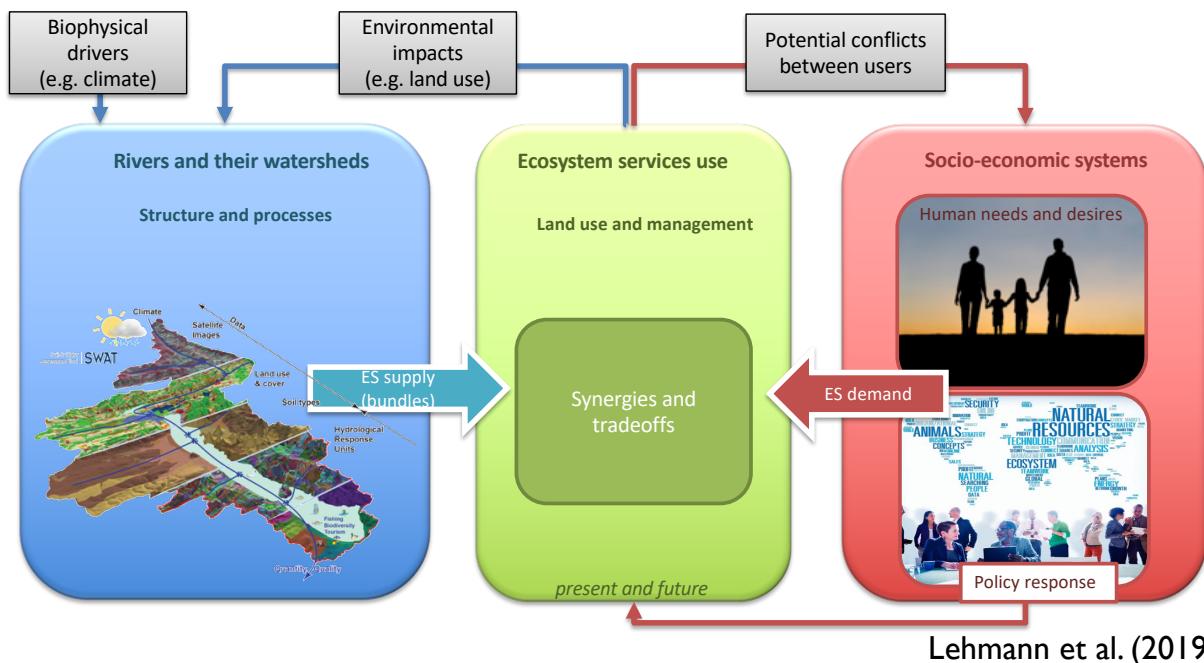
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# SWATCH21: ecosystem services



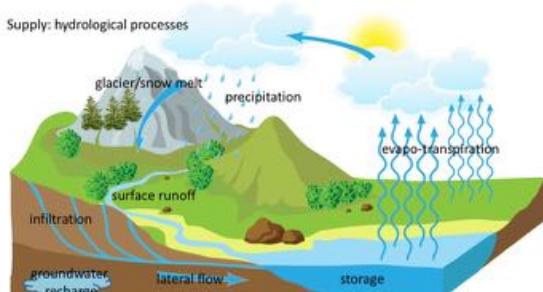
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## SWATCH21: ES supplies and demands



### Provisioning services

- § Agriculture: crop yield will be directly derived from SWAT outputs
- § Drinking water: the amount of blue water used for drinking will be assessed from the population distribution and needs
- § Hydropower: blue water transformed in energy by hydropower will be estimated using the distribution and size of existing dams
- § Water for livestock: blue water available for livestock will be estimated from the distribution of different types of livestocks

### Regulating and maintenance services

- § Biodiversity: the ecosystem diversity will be assessed by downscaling existing land use information from 100m (geostat) resolution to 25m (Lehmann et al. unpublished).
- § Flood protection: The Critical Consecutive Days Analyzer (CCDA) has been developed at EAWAG (Vaghefi et al. in prep.).
- § Nutrient and sediment retention will be directly derived from SWAT outputs
- § Carbon sequestration will be calculated with the InVEST package
- § Avalanche protection: this service will be assessed by GIS analyses as in Grêt-Régamey et al. (2008)<sup>97</sup>

### Cultural services

- § Fishing for recreation: this service will be assessed by modelling the species distribution of emblematic fishes species such as trouts using species distribution models (e.g. GRASP<sup>160,161</sup> or MARS<sup>162</sup>)
- § Recreation: the recreational value of river beds will be assessed by a combination of GIS analyses of accessibility from roads and walking tracks, and the density of photos made available on Flickr.

Lehmann et al. (2019)

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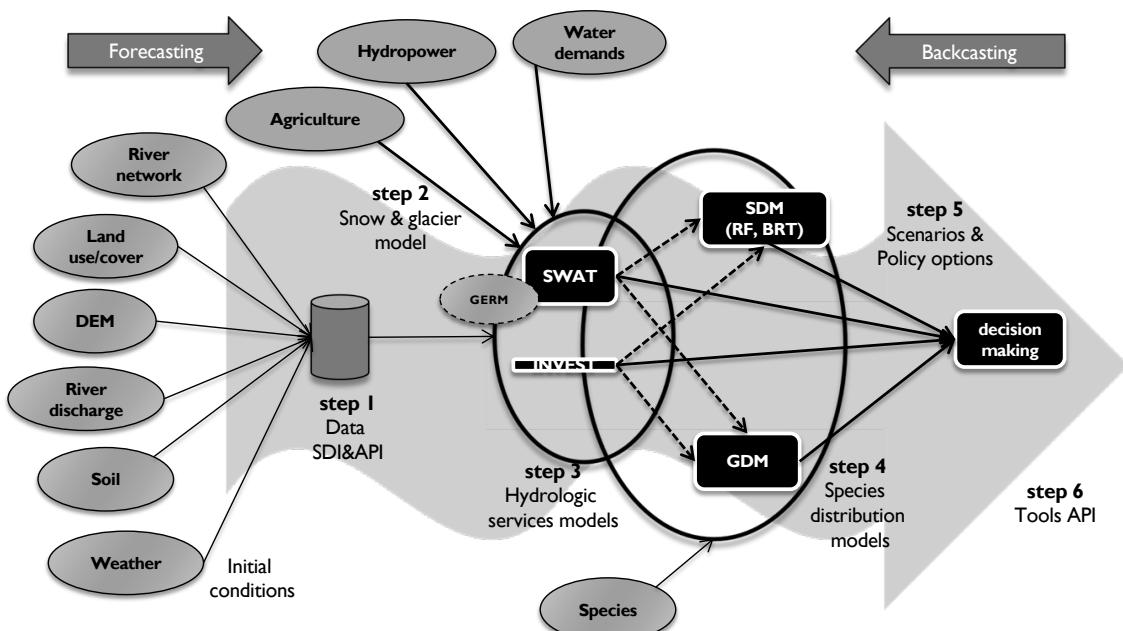
# SWATCH21: Expected outputs



Data Type	Description
SWAT outputs	Daily, monthly and yearly water flow, nutrient and sediment loads
INVEST outputs	Yearly ES: water yield, sediment and nutrient retention
SDM outputs	Species distribution predictions for FEPT groups
Ecosystem Services	<p>Provisioning services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- water for hydropower</li> <li>- water for domestic use</li> <li>- water for agriculture and livestock</li> <li>- water for power generation</li> </ul> <p>Regulating services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- sediment retention</li> <li>- nutrient retention</li> <li>- flood water retention</li> </ul> <p>Cultural services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- recreational value</li> <li>- recreational fishing value</li> </ul> <p>Supporting services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- nutrient recycling</li> <li>- species diversity</li> <li>- environment flow requirements</li> <li>- transportation</li> </ul>
Scenarios impacts	Impacts of climate and landuse scenarios on SWAT, INVEST, SDM, ES outputs



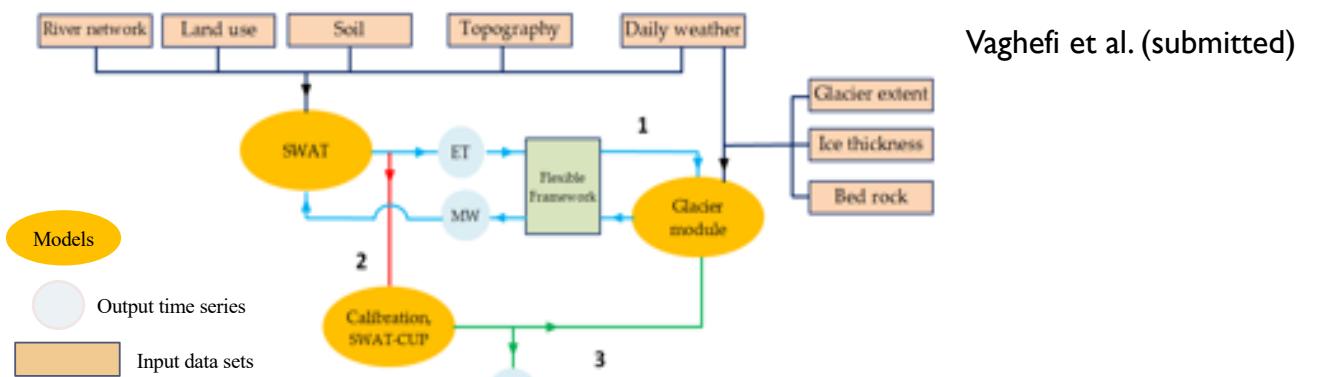
## SWATCH21 workflow



Lehmann et al. (2019)

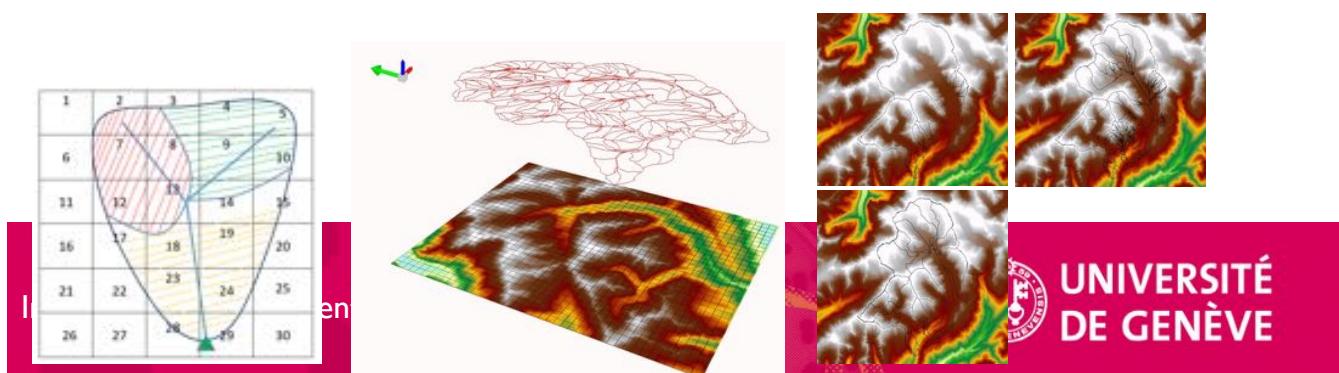


# #SWATCH21: Glacier and snow melt



**Challenge:** The units of calculation are different in two models?

**Solution:** Overlaying SWAT Sub-basins map with glacier module grids



# #SWATCH21: Glacier and snow melt

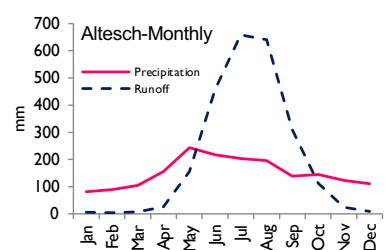
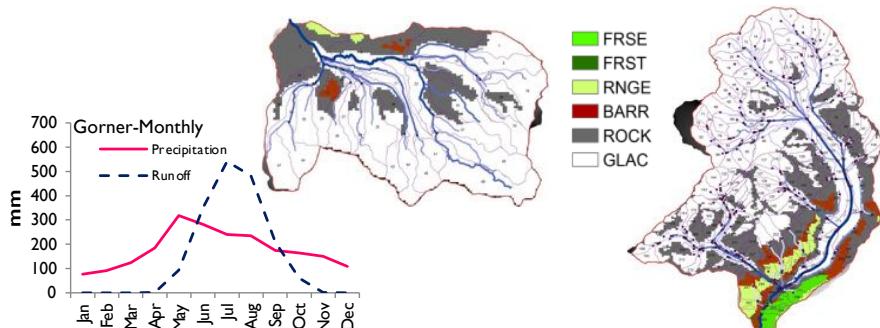


## ● Aletsch Catchment

Total Area:  $196 \text{ km}^2$ , Glacier area:  $82 \text{ km}^2$ ,  $15 \text{ km}^3$  ice (20% of Swiss ice, 2014)

## ● Gorner Catchment

50m grids



# #SWATCH21: Glacier and snow melt

I- Original run of the SWAT - without elevation band and - with SWAT default snow-melt parameters  
- with ice-melt added as point source calculated with initial glacier parameters taken from the literature.

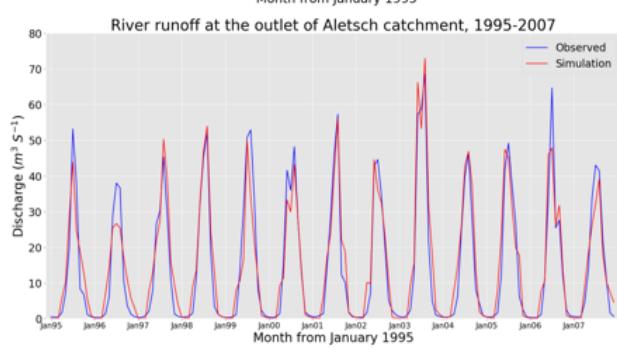
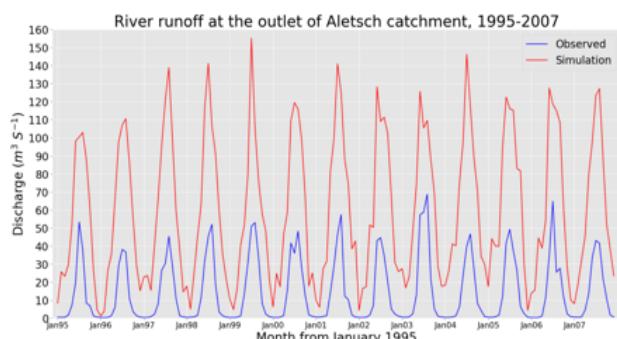
SFTMP = 1.0  
SMTMP = 0.5  
SMFMX = 4.5  
SMFMN = 4.5  
TIMP = 1

NSE = -7.5  
R2 = 0.79

3- Final SWAT run after addition and calibration of TLPAS and PLAPS as snow parameters

SFTMP = 1.1  
SMTMP = -3.3  
SMFMX = 2.9  
SMFMN = 3.3  
TIMP = 0.12

PLAPS = 0.45 mm/km  
TLAPS = 5.4 oC/km  
NSE = 0.89  
R2 = 0.89



Vaghefi et al. (submitted)

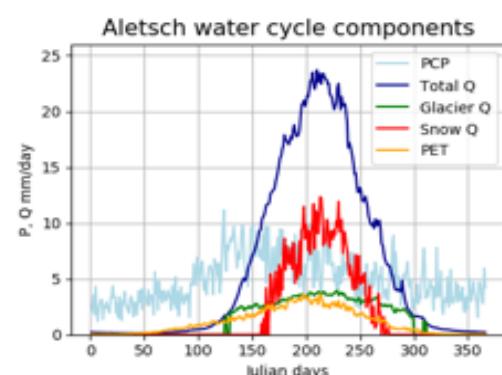
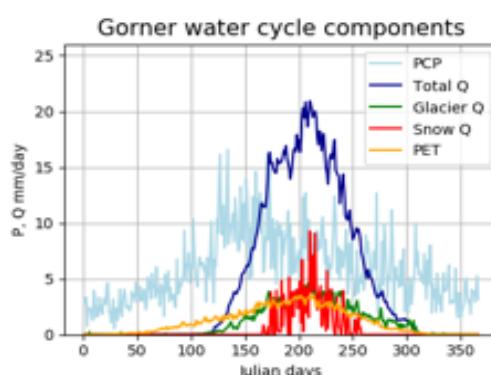
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# #SWATCH21: Glacier and snow melt

Average temporal distribution of simulated Total runoff (Total Q), simulated Glacier-melt runoff (Glacier Q), simulated Snow-melt runoff (Snow Q), potential evapotranspiration (PET), and precipitation (P)



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# **SWATCH21: weather and gaging stations**



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## **SWATCH21: SWAT model**

### **Subbasins (15'565)**



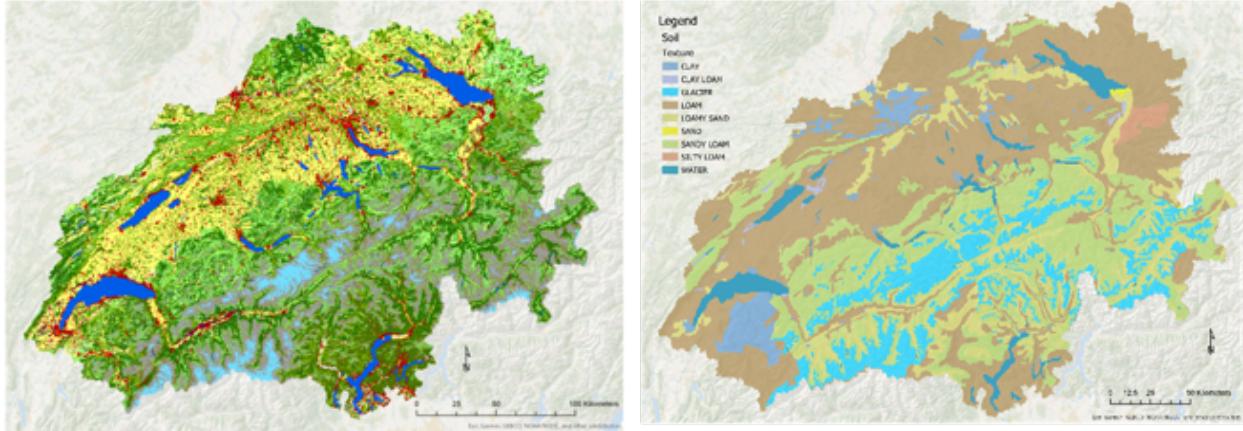
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# SWATCH21: Land use and soils categories



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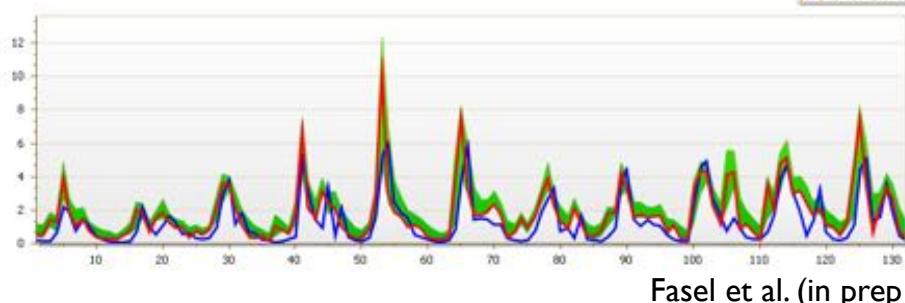
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## #SWATCH21: Calibration avec SWAT CUP



Soil_type= Wash_Sutcliffe	No_sim= 200	Best_sim_no= 21	Best_goal = 6.190498e-002
Variables	p-factor	r-factor	R2
FLOW_OUT_387	0.45	0.84	0.98
FLOW_OUT_371	0.83	1.29	0.99
FLOW_OUT_336	0.37	1.24	0.92
FLOW_OUT_643	0.45	0.83	0.95
FLOW_OUT_715	0.39	0.82	0.98
FLOW_OUT_163	0.69	1.28	0.76
FLOW_OUT_386	0.73	1.22	0.77
FLOW_OUT_1033	0.90	0.84	0.93
FLOW_OUT_1295	0.36	0.89	0.96
FLOW_OUT_1345	0.55	1.09	0.60
FLOW_OUT_1441	0.51	1.07	0.42
FLOW_OUT_1447	0.68	1.09	0.79
FLOW_OUT_1521	0.34	0.77	0.84
FLOW_OUT_1543	0.79	1.19	0.81
FLOW_OUT_1659	0.79	0.95	0.83
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			0.5402
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			9.6e+000
			11.5
			0.68
			0.48
			0.54
			1.13



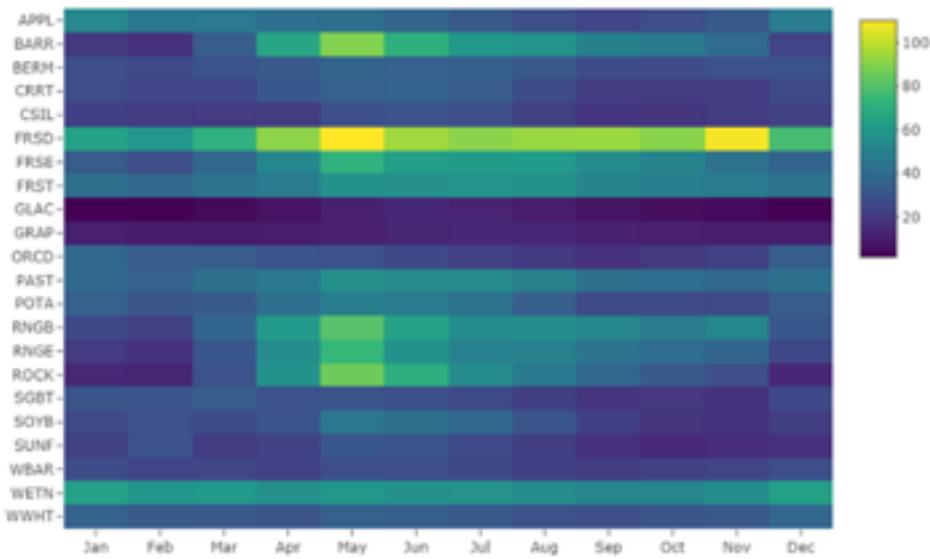
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SWAT model of Switzerland



# #SWATCH21:

*eau par catégorie d'utilisation sol et mois de l'année*



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# #SWATCH21: échange d'eau entre pays



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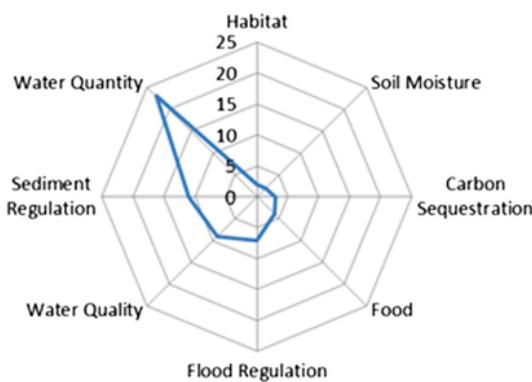
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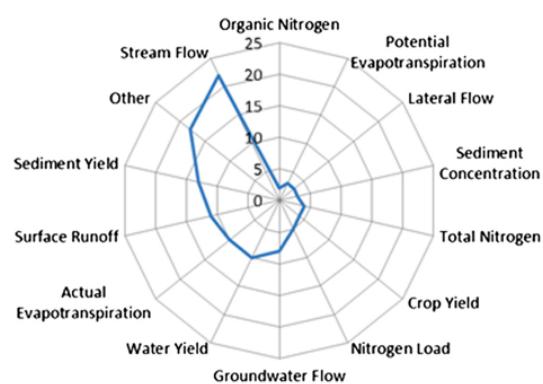


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# #SWATCH21: Review on SWAT & Ecosystem services



Radar chart shows the ES topics most frequently addressed by SWAT publications.



Most common SWAT output variables used for interpretation of ES.

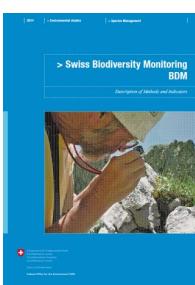
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## SWATCH21: Community distribution modeling

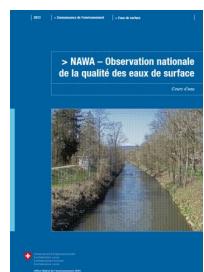


Swiss Biodiversity Monitoring Program (BDM)



BDM Coordination Office (2014). Swiss Biodiversity Monitoring BDM. Description of Methods and Indicators. Federal Office for the Environment, Bern. Environmental studies no. 1410. 103 pp

National Surface Water Quality Monitoring Program (NAWA)



OFEV 2013. NAWA – Observation nationale de la qualité des eaux de surface. Cours d'eau. Office fédéral de l'environnement, Berne. Connaissance de l'environnement n° 1327: 72 p.



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# SWATCH21: Community distribution modeling



- Assemblages and β-diversity



Current situation



2060 - RCP8.5

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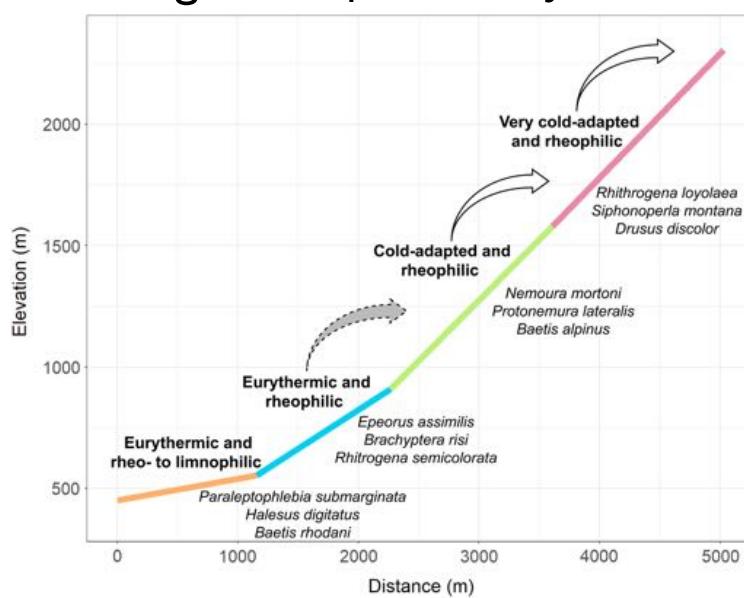


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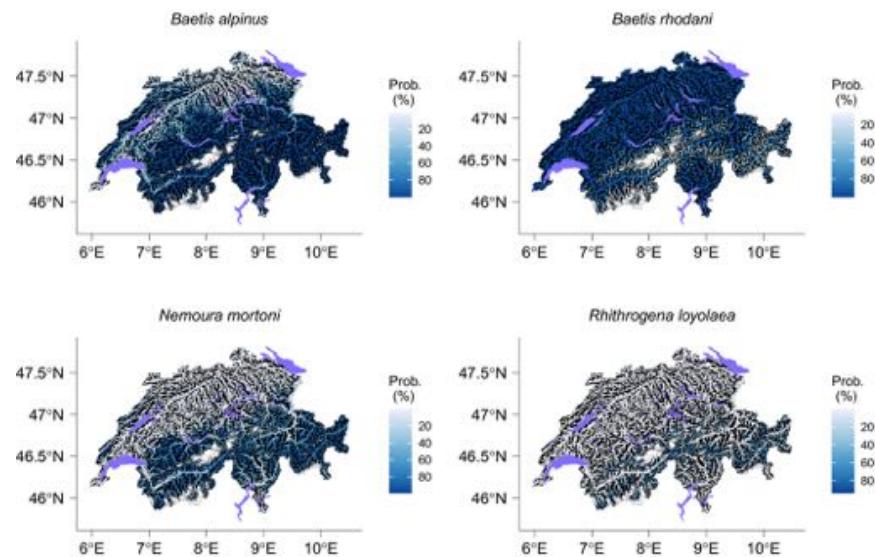
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# SWATCH21: Species distribution modeling

- Species distribution



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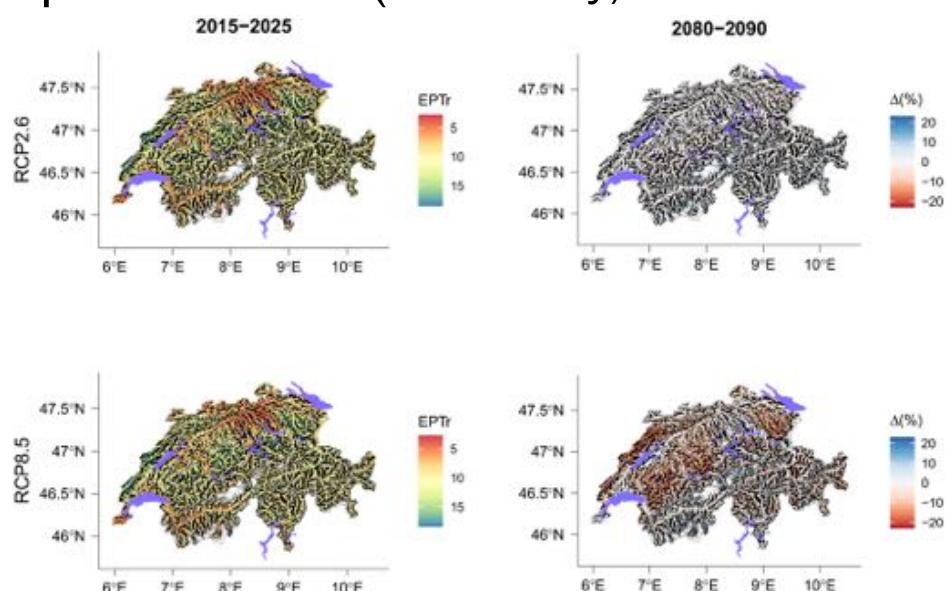
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# SWATCH21: Species distribution modeling

- Species richness ( $\alpha$ -diversity)



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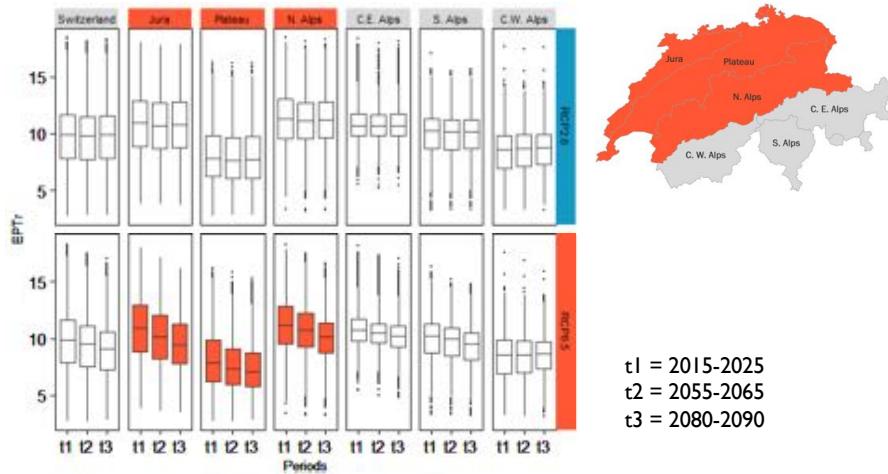


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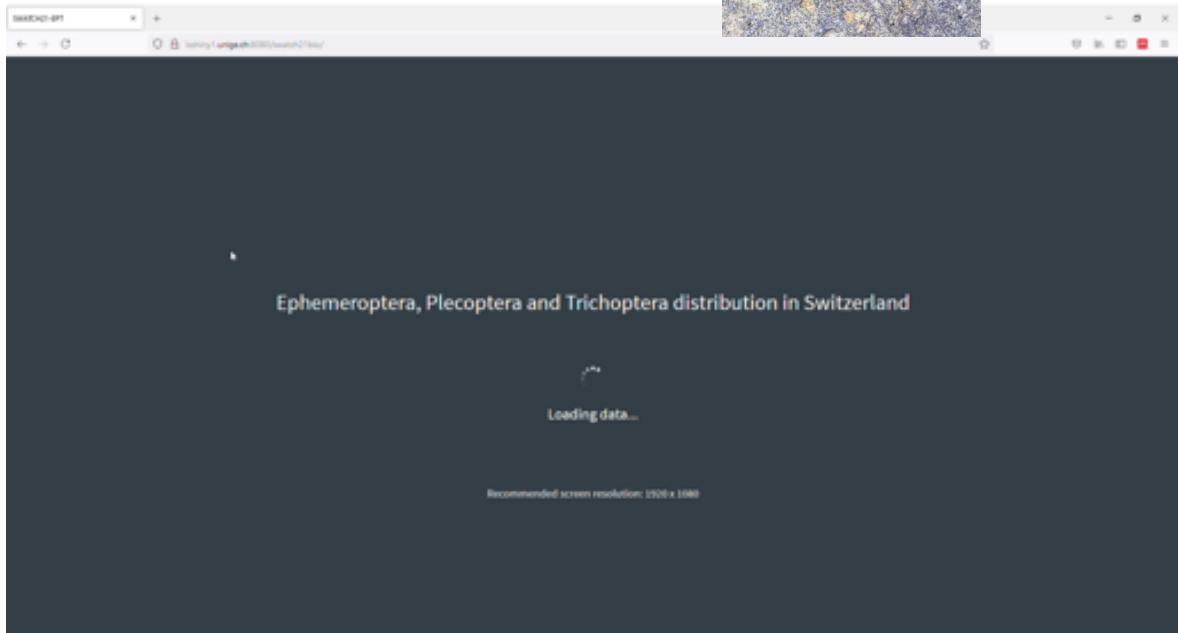
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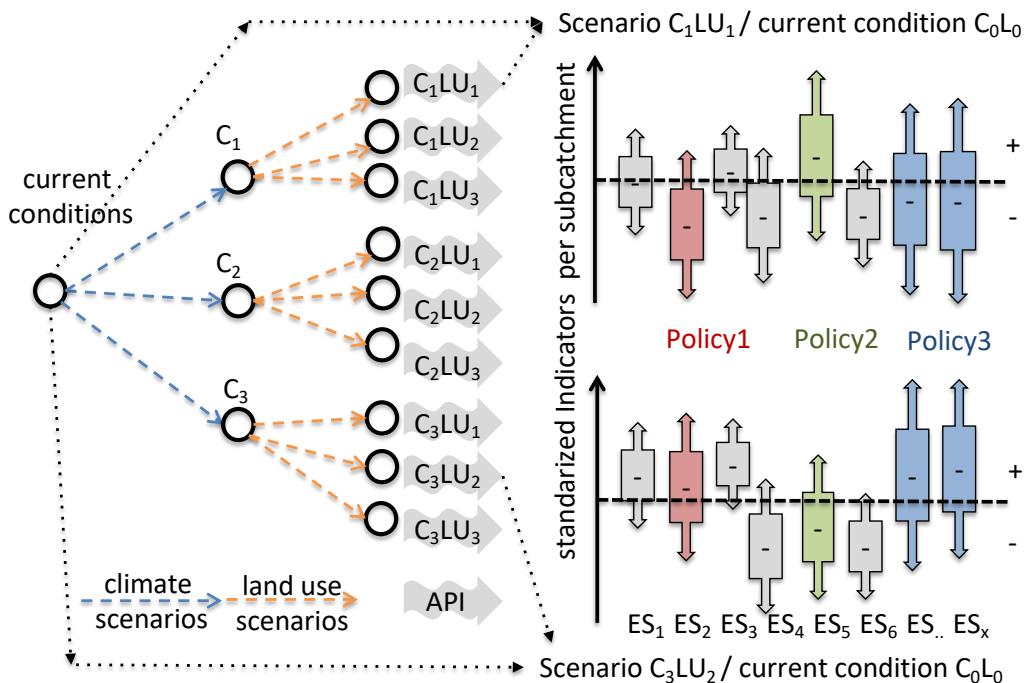
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## SWATCH21: web interface



# SWATCH21: tradeoffs and synergies



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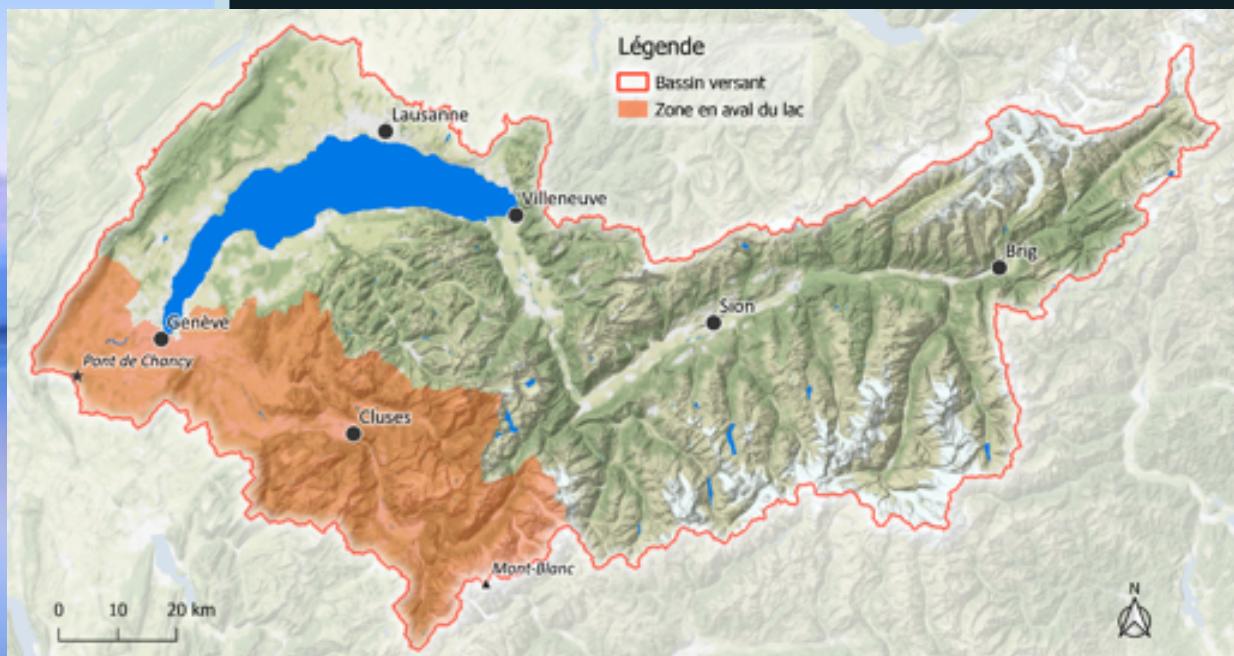
## SWAT Léman

Etude prospective sur les apports non-ponctuels de phosphore au Léman

Marc Fasel, Jean-Luc Loizeau et Anthony Lehmann

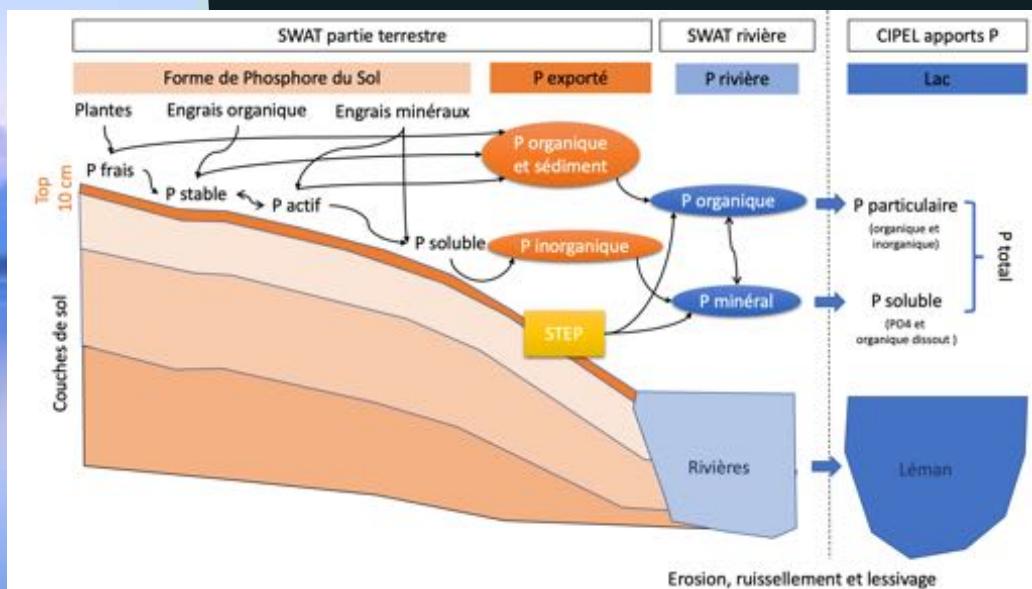
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# Zone d'étude

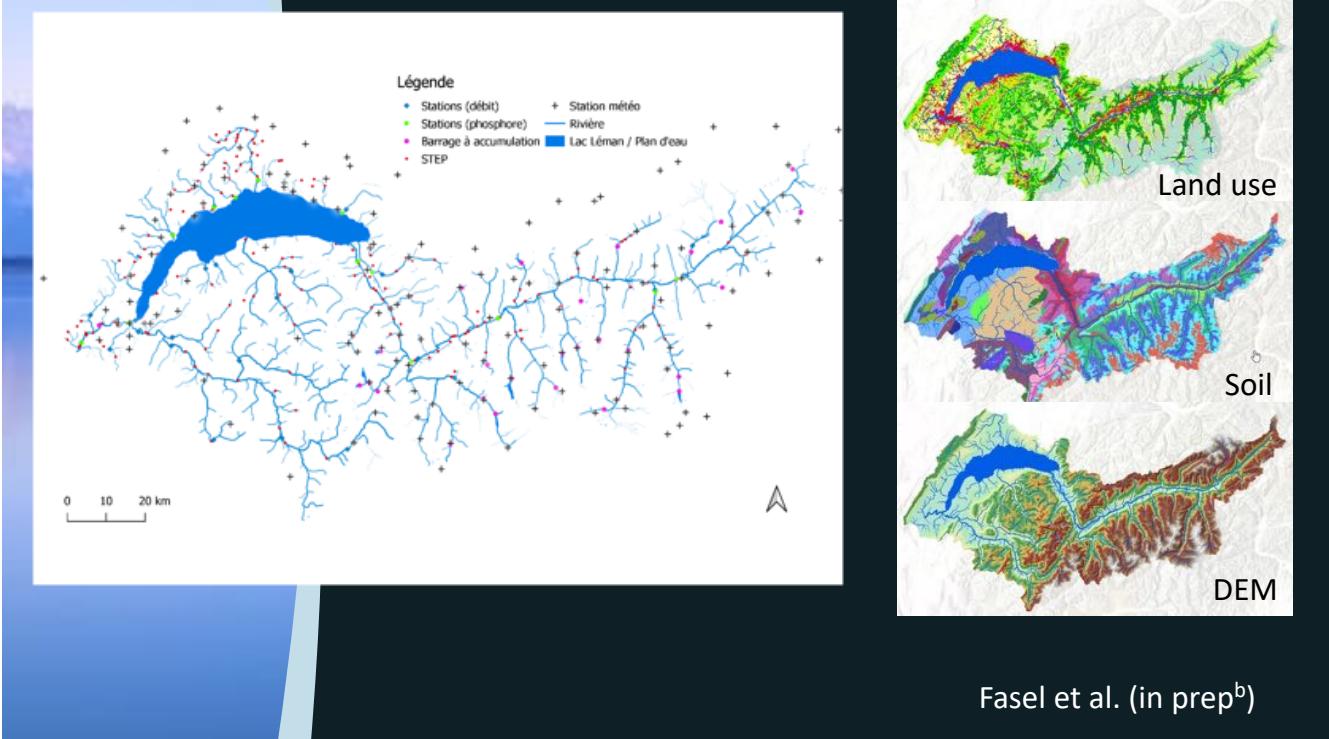


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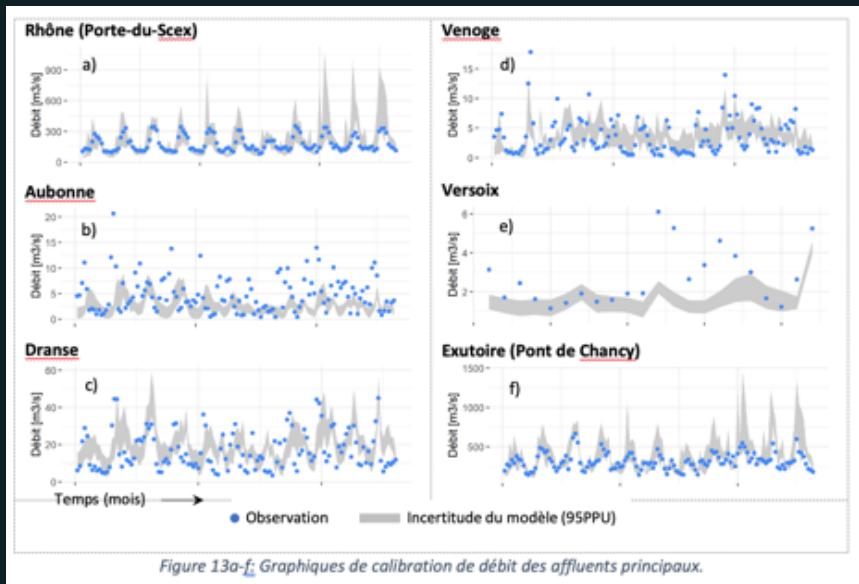
## SWAT: formes du Phosphore



## Données de calibration disponibles



## Calibration débits des affluents



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## Statistiques de calibration Q

Affluent	Débit moyen simulé [m <sup>3</sup> /s]	Débit moyen observé [m <sup>3</sup> /s]	PBIAS	NS	p-factor	r-factor	Période
Rhône	167.1	179.2	6.7	0.33	0.83	2.15	2005-2015
Aubonne	3.3	4.8	31.3	-0.10	0.30	0.38	2005-2015
Dranse	20.3	16.7	-21.6	0.06	0.40	0.68	2005-2015
Venoge	3.2	3.5	10.0	0.24	0.56	1.11	2005-2015
Versoix	2.0	2.7	25.8	0.05	0.55	0.60	2011-2015
Exutoire	337.5	318.3	-6.1	0.03	0.74	2.16	2005-2015

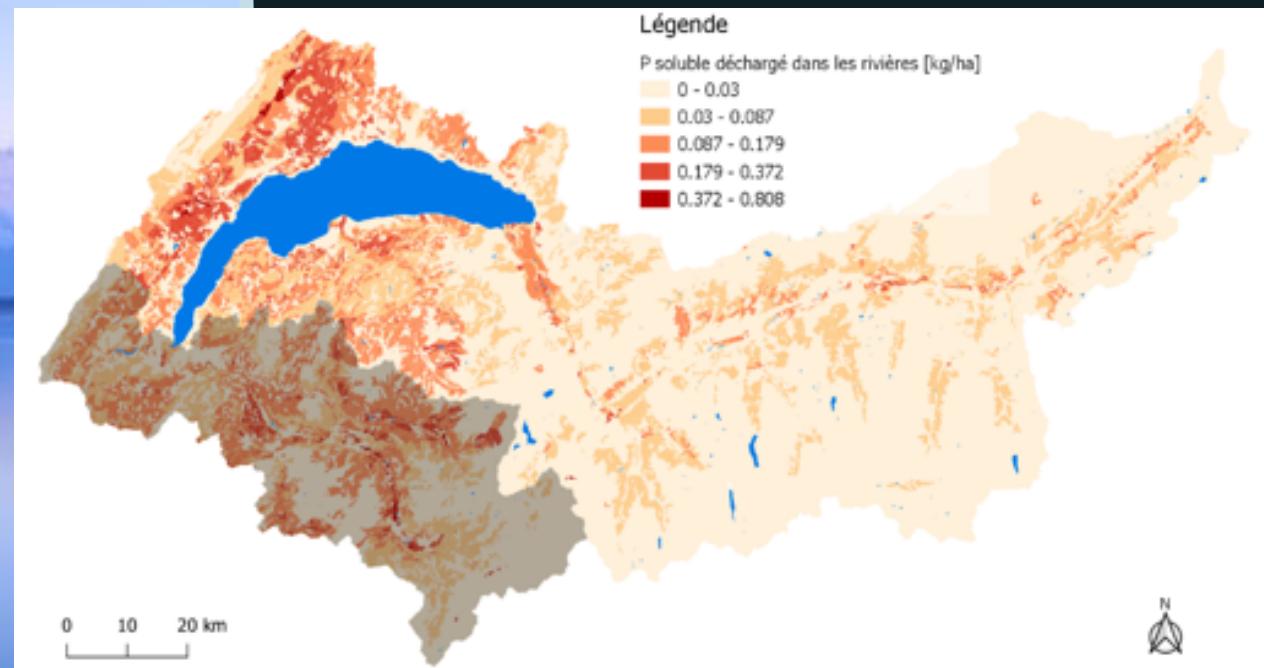
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Affluent	P <sub>i</sub> mensuel moyen simulé [kg]	P <sub>i</sub> mensuel moyen observé [kg]	PBIAS	p-factor	r-factor	Période
Rhône	2579.5	2711.2	4.9	0.32	1.06	2005-2015
Aubonne	70.7	134.6	47.5	0.61	0.89	2005-2015
Dranse	252.0	326.6	22.9	0.59	0.84	2005-2015
Venoge	154.2	239.9	35.8	0.80	1.83	2005-2015
Versoix	84.7	177.7	52.3	0.74	0.85	2011-2015
Exutoire	13972.8	12398.5	-12.7	0.49	0.61	2005-2015

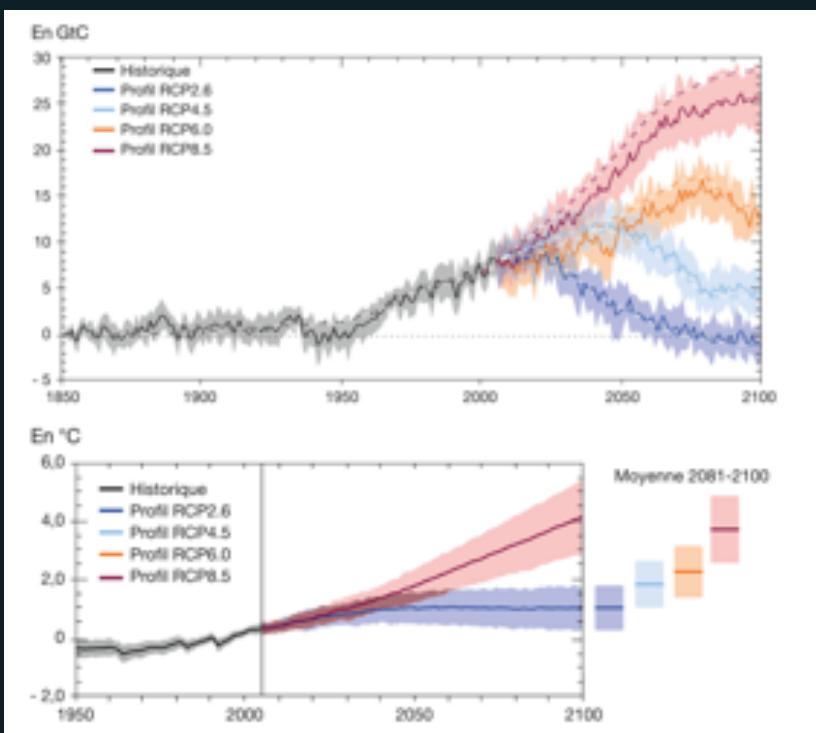
Fasel et al. (in prep<sup>b</sup>)

## Cartes de potentiel diffus en kg/ha par HRU



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## Scénarios climatiques



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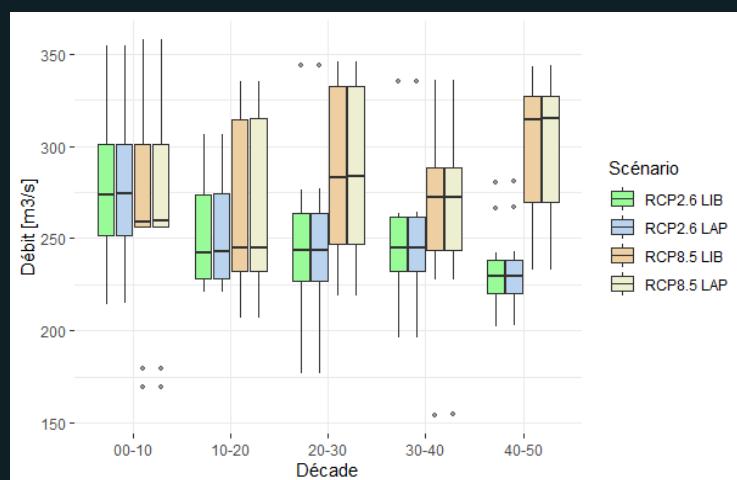
# Scénarios de changement d'utilisation du sol

	De	Forêt (mixte)	Terre arbustive	Agriculture	Scénario
< 900 m	Forêt	100%	0	0	LAP - 50% engrais
	Terre arbustive	2%	98%	0	
	Agriculture	10%	10%	80%	
> 900 m	Forêt	95%	5%	0	LIB 100% engrais
	Terre arbustive	2%	98%	0	
	Agriculture	20%	20%	60%	
< 900 m	Forêt	100%	0	0	LIB 100% engrais
	Terre arbustive	0	100%	0	
	Agriculture	0	2%	98%	
> 900 m	Forêt	100%	0	0	LIB 100% engrais
	Terre arbustive	90%	10%	0	
	Agriculture	60%	30%	10%	

Dérivé de Silva 2017

Fasel et al. (in prep<sup>b</sup>)

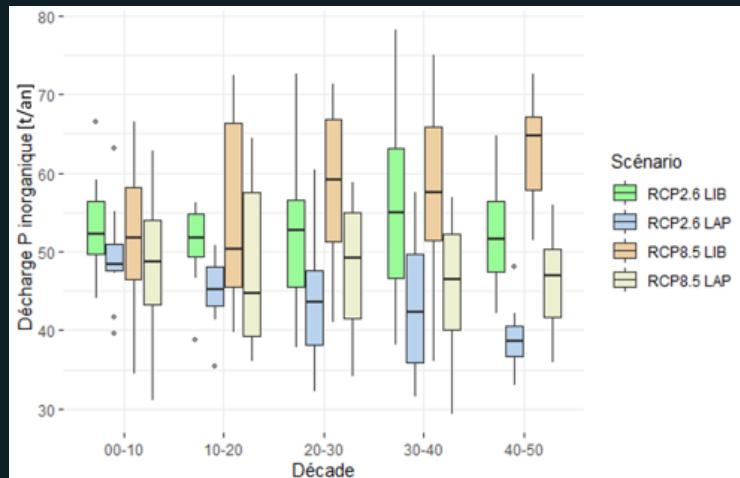
## Débit annuel moyen par décade entrant dans le lac (m<sup>3</sup>/s)



Fasel et al. (in prep<sup>b</sup>)



## Décharge annuelle moyenne de P inorganique entrant dans le lac (t/an)



Fasel et al. (in prep<sup>b</sup>)

## CONCLUSIONS

**Ecosystem services (ES):** key concept for integration of domains

**Essential Water Variables (EWVs):** either inputs or outputs of SWAT

**SWAT:** very good integration tool for ES and Nexus approaches

**SDM:** predictions of changes in river biodiversity according to climate changes

**CIPEL :** Modeling of water quality in changing Land use and climate  
(ES = nutrient retention)

**SWATCH2I:** first SWAT modeling of Switzerland that is bringing new information on river ES and biodiversity

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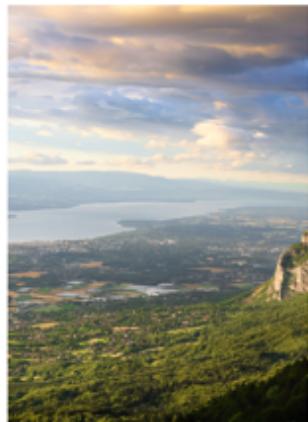
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