

## Task 3.2: modelling combined processes (leader: INAT)

- **Coupling distributed hydrology modelling along with crop growth modelling** (MHYDAS model and SAFY crop growth model within the OpenFLUID platform)

Partners : CESBIO, LISAH, INRGREF

Study area : Capbon

- **Semi-distributed hydrology along with subsurface hydraulic redistribution (SWAT model)**

Partners : INAT, UNICA.

Study areas: Merguellil

- **Hydrological modelling and climate forcing**

Partners: UCAM, CESBIO, UNICA.

Study areas: Tensift.

Coupling distributed hydrology modelling  
along with crop growth modelling

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### Coupling distributed hydrology modelling along with crop growth modelling

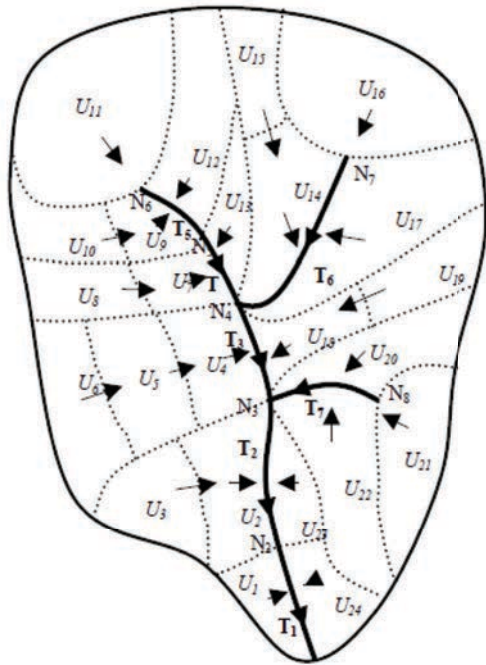
#### LISAH contribution



#### Context

- **Study site** : Kamech
- **Context** : PhD of Dhouib Mariem
- **PhD objective** : analysis of water use efficiency within a small rainfed farmed Mediterranean catchment in Tunisia, under the constraint of climate change, and by considering the spatial distribution of crops in the landscape as an action leverage for optimizing water use by crops and agricultural production.

## Runoff-infiltration partitioning



Relationship between hydrological units/hydrographic network  
(adapted from Chahinian, 2004)

understand the exchanges of water fluxes between fields  
and their impact on the available water for the crop



Runoff-infiltration partitioning under different  
climate and soil conditions :

- Soil texture
- Soil depth
- crops

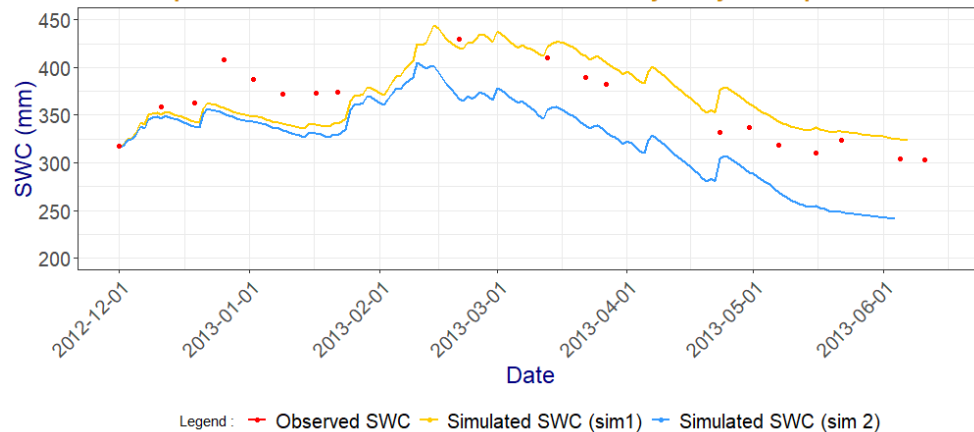
# Example of AquaCrop's sensitivity analysis of soil characteristics (hydrodynamic properties ; depth)

AquaCrop is sensitive to soil depth, texture and hydrodynamic properties within the same texture class

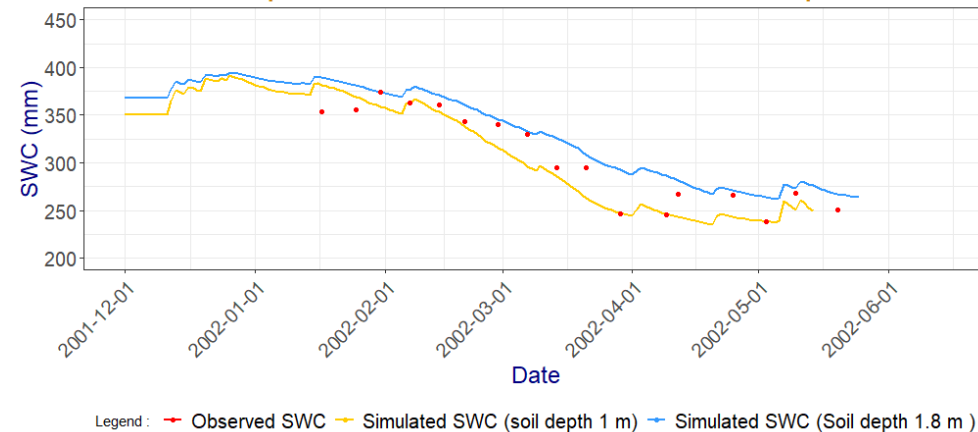
	$\theta_{WP}(\%)$	$\theta_{FC}(\%)$	$\theta_{SAT}(\%)$
Sim 1	33	42	45
Sim 2	24	36	45

	Depth
Sim 1	1 m
Sim 2	1.8 m

comparison of soil moisture for two different hydrodynamic parameters



Comparison of soil moisture for two different soil depths





## **Approach and perspectives**

1. Evaluation of the impact of the spatial connectivity between two fields for different type of soil, depth and crops
2. Spatialization of the connectivity at level of the watershed

## Integrated modelling / LISAH contribution

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**Methodological objective:** to design and develop an agro-hydrological model that simulates ecosystem functions in a Mediterranean watershed.

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Post-doc supervision [ALTOS granted, hiring process ongoing].

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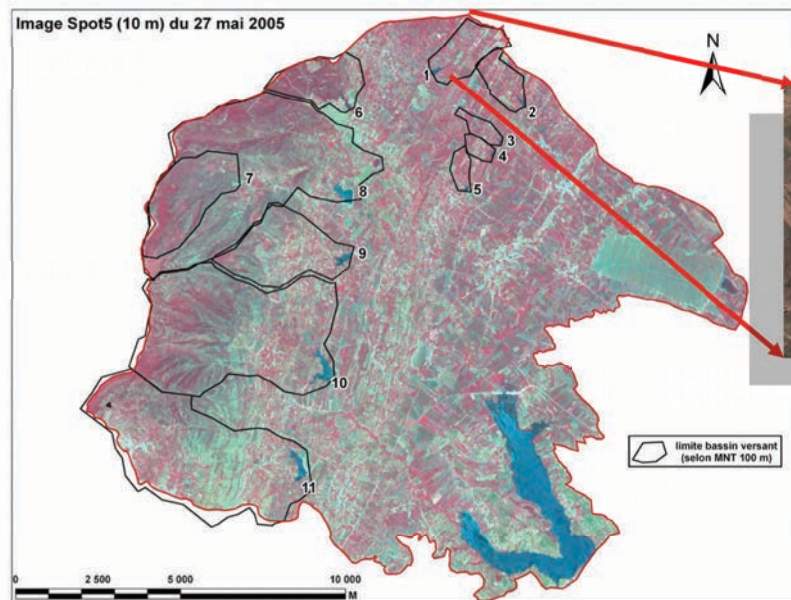
- Crop yields
- Soil water use efficiency of rainfed crops
- Performance/reliability of reservoirs [needs of irrigated crops]
- Water production for downstream [dam]
- Groundwater recharge ["zero recharge" hypothesis up to now]



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Cap Bon peninsula

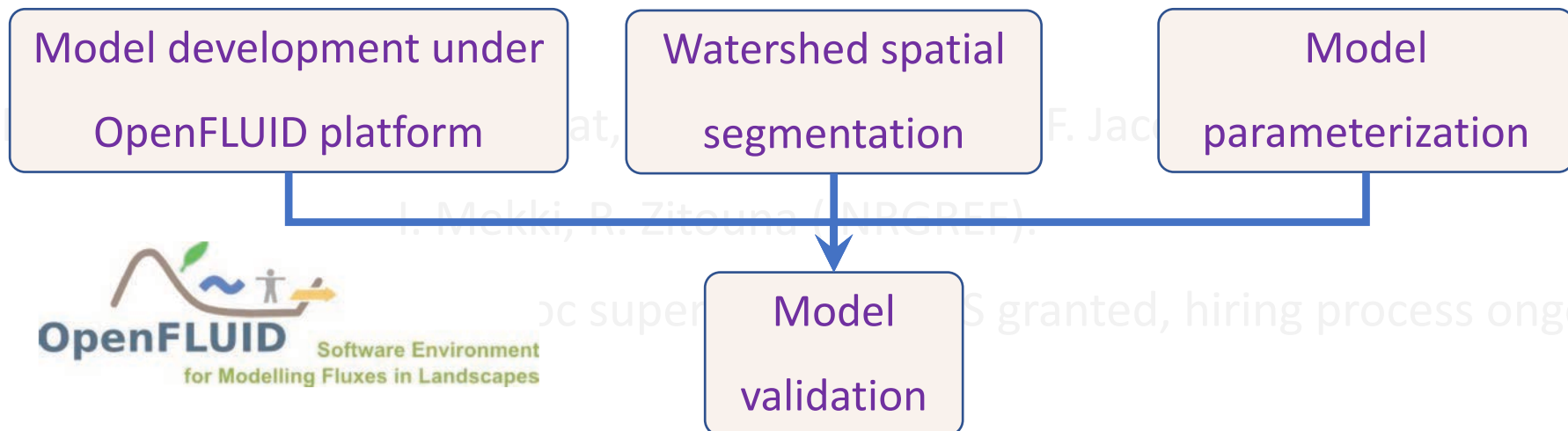


OMERE observatory  
[existing dataset]

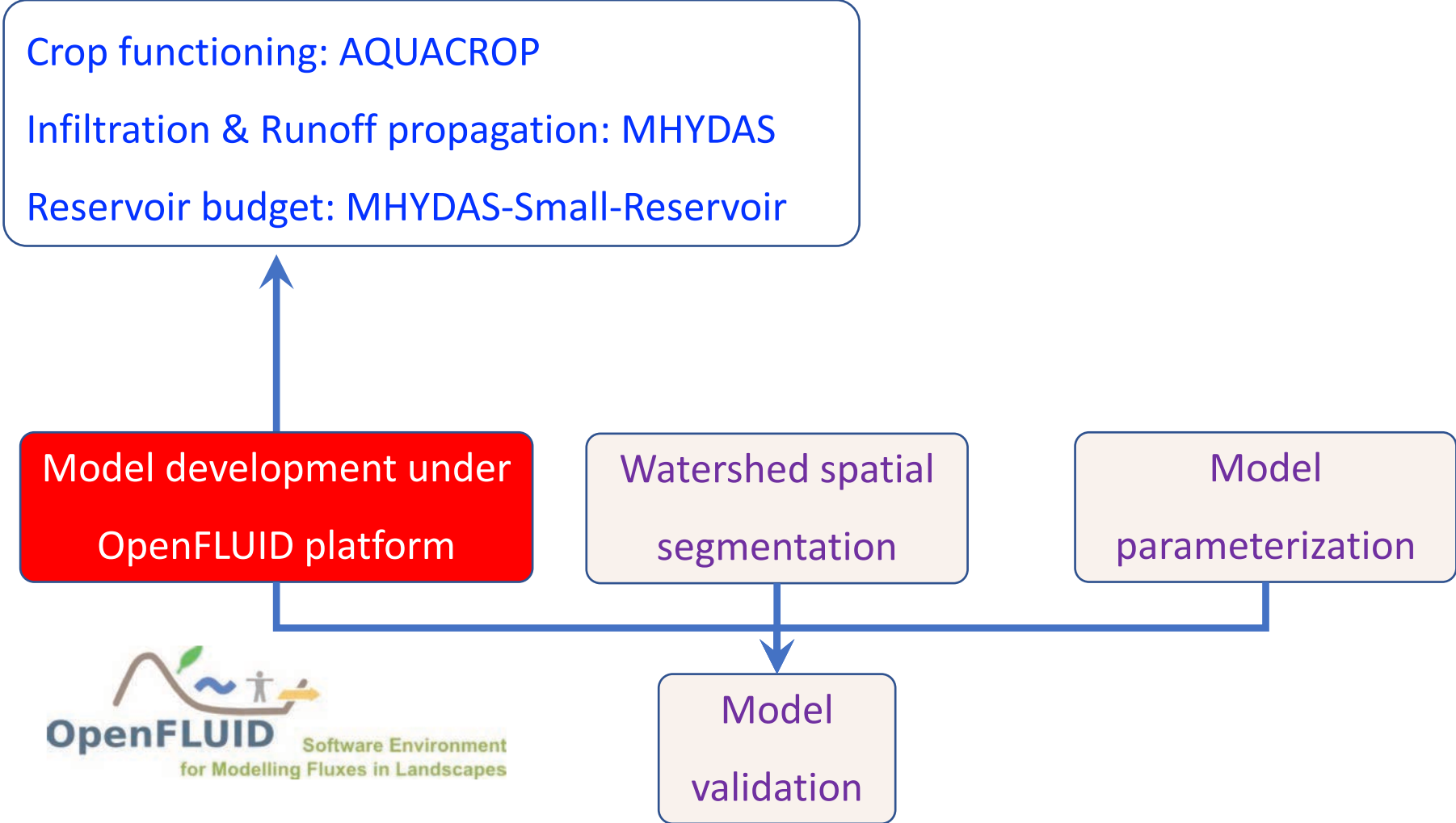
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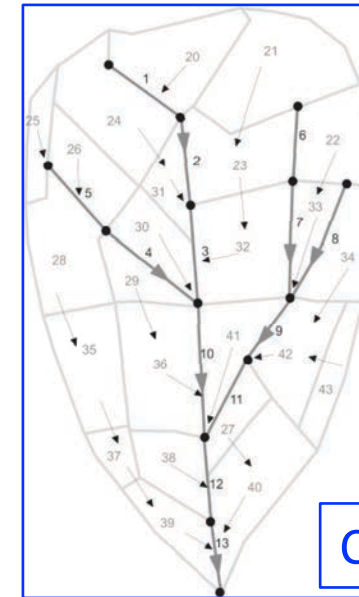
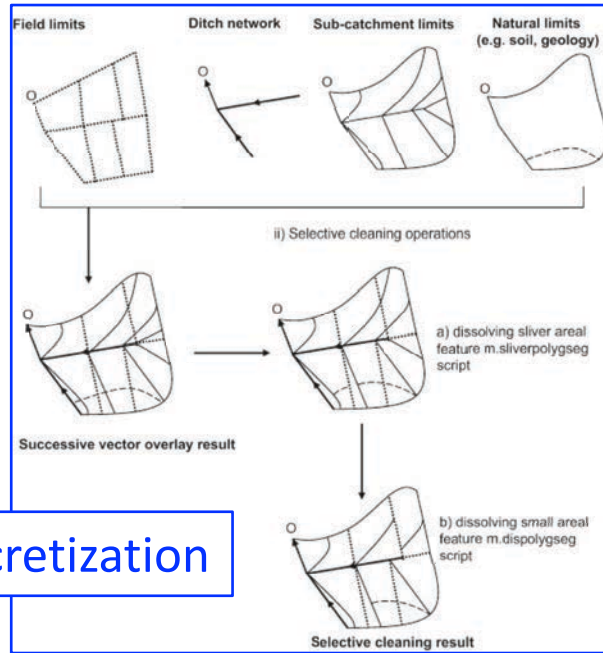
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Discretization

Connectivities

Watershed spatial segmentation

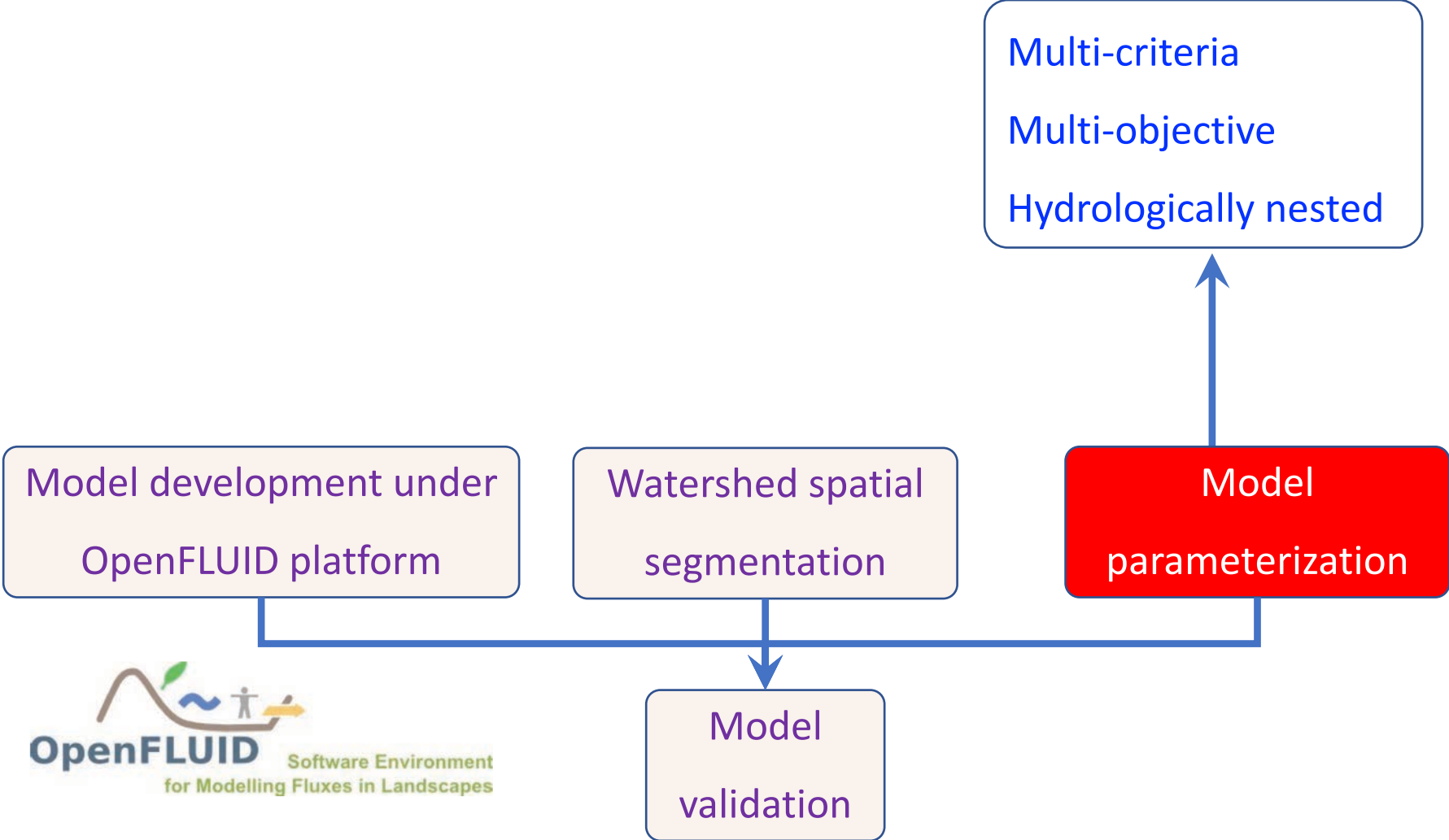
Model development under OpenFLUID platform

Model parameterization

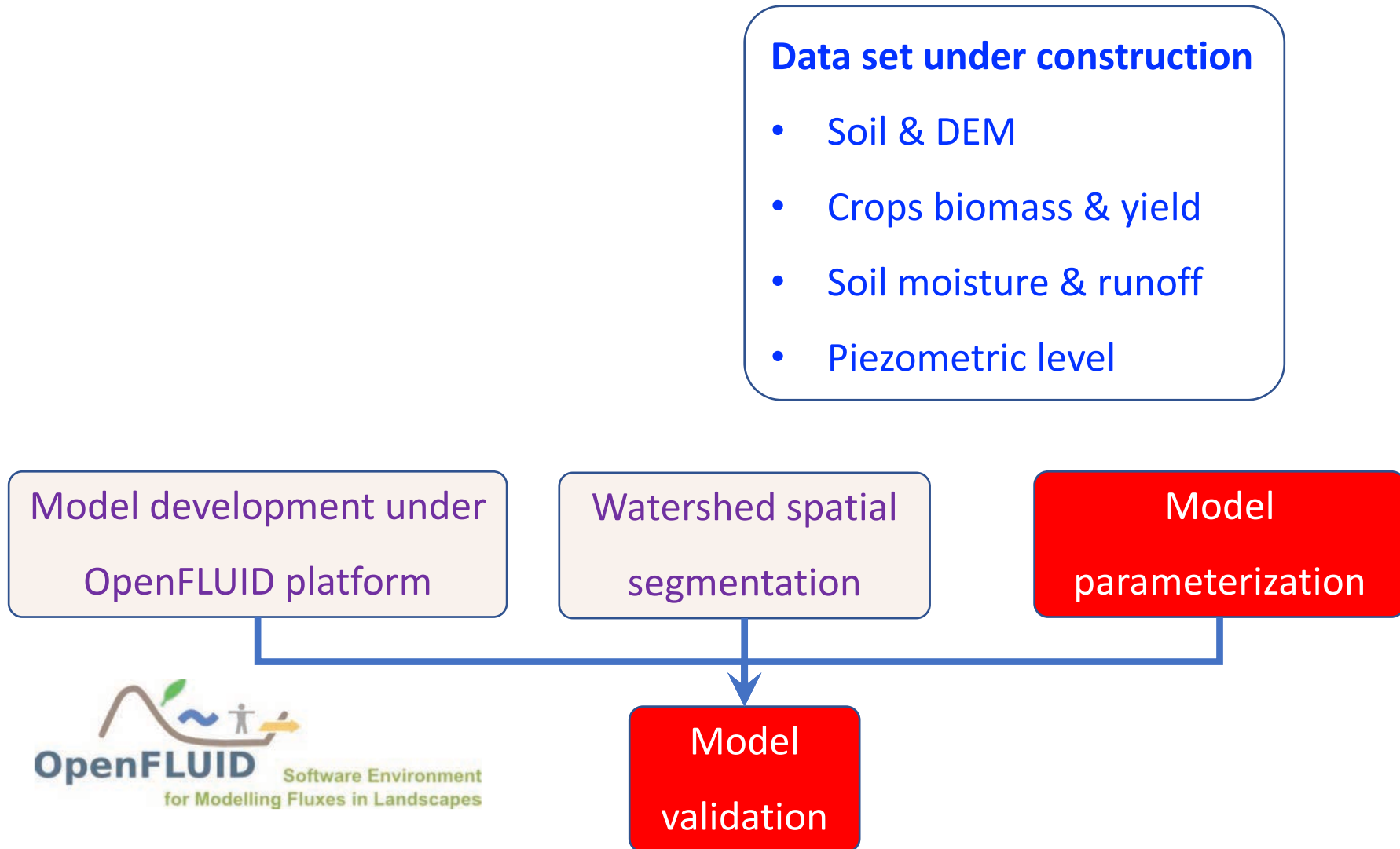
Model validation



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# Semi-distributed hydrology along with subsurface hydraulic redistribution

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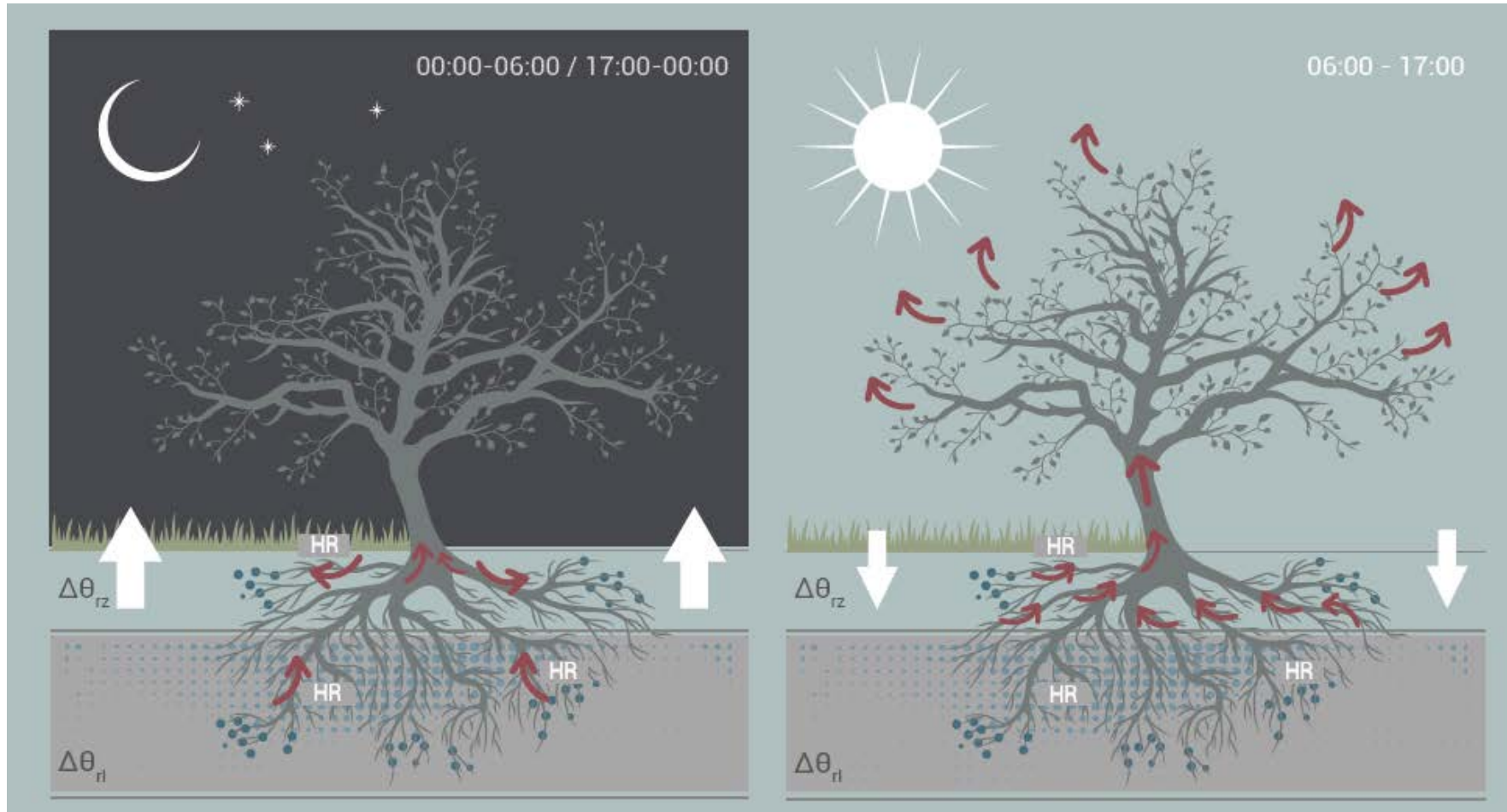
**Modelling** combined process: Semi-distributed hydrology along with subsurface hydraulic redistribution.

#### **Activities:**

- Improving of subsurface hydraulic redistribution in semi-distributed modelling
- Improving the SWAT model by including hydraulic redistribution



# WP3: Ecohydrological modeling



Hydraulic redistribution model

$$HR = -C_{r,max} R_e \frac{\Delta\psi}{d_r}$$

$$R_e = f^{-1}[(\psi, \psi_{50}, b_{R_e})]$$

# Improving SWAT model by the inclusion of hydraulic redistribution

Potential Evaporation with Penman-Monteith

$$\lambda E = \frac{\Delta \cdot (H_{net} - G) + \rho_{air} \cdot c_p \cdot [e_z^o - e_z]}{\Delta + \gamma \cdot (1 + r_c/r_a)}$$

Water Uptake by Plants from the soil surface to a specified depth

$$w_{up,z} = \frac{E_t}{[1 - \exp(-\beta_w)]} \cdot \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\beta_w \cdot \frac{z}{z_{root}}\right) \right]$$

·  $\beta_w = 10$  Water use parameter

Potential water uptake  $w_{up,ly} = w_{up,zl} - w_{up,zu}$

**When there is a low water content in the first layer**

$$w'_{up,ly} = w_{up,ly} + w_{demand} \cdot epco$$

$w_{demand}$  · Water uptake demand not meet by the overlying layer

$epco$  · Plant compensation factor, set manually. Range between 0.001 and 1

**Actual Water Uptake**  $w_{actualup,ly} = \min[w''_{up,ly}, (SW_{ly} - WP_{ly})]$

$SW_{ly}$  · Amount of water in the soil layer

$WP_{ly}$  · Water content at wilting point

**Actual amount of transpiration**  $w_{actualup} = \sum_{ly=1}^n w_{actualup,ly}$

Sum of uptakes from the n layers

Problem to be solved: actual transpiration is not directly related to soil moisture of each soil layer

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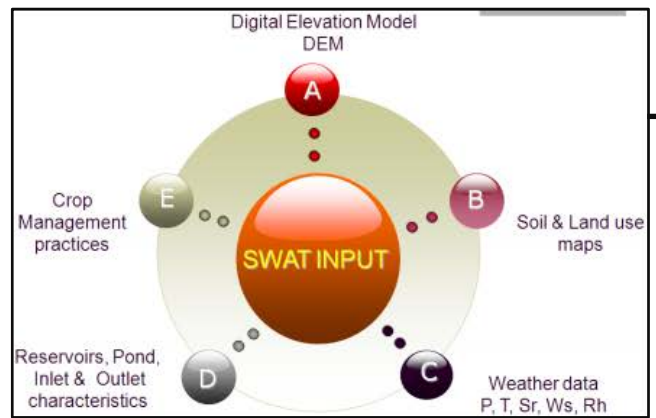


Figure 1: SWAT model Inputs

Many simulations with many rain gages option

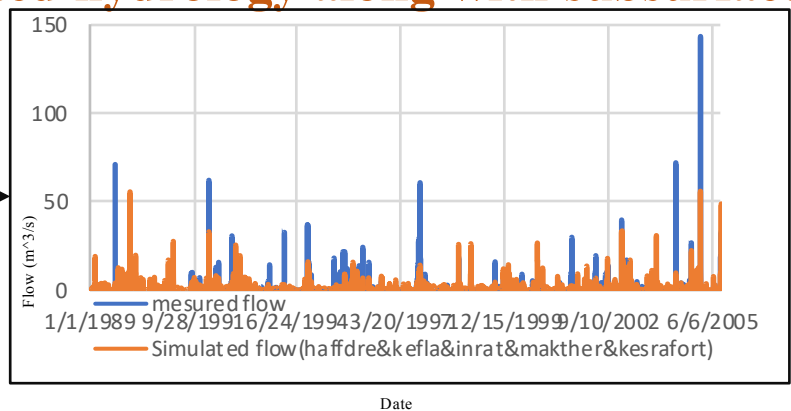


Figure 2: measured and modeled flows

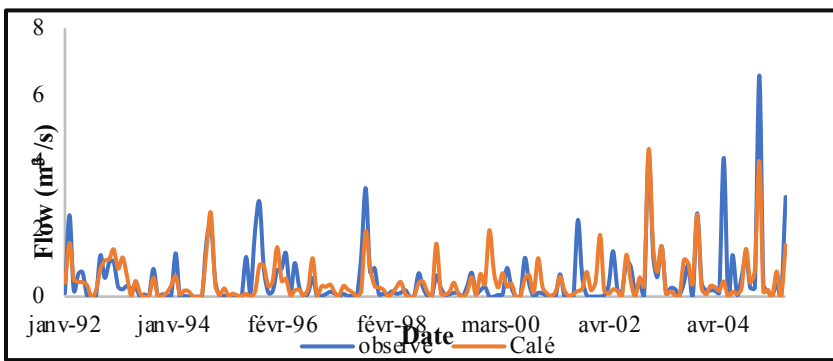


Figure 3: measured and calibrated flows

NSE	R <sup>2</sup>	PBIAS	RMSE
0.52	0.53	3%	0.61

Time	Statistical coefficient	NSE	R <sup>2</sup>	PBIAS	RMSE
Daily	Haffouz Dre Rain gage	<b>0.02</b>	0.14	10%	3.18
	Haffouz Dre & Oueslatia INRAT raingages	<b>-0.27</b>	0.13	26%	3.61
	Haffouz Dre, Oueslatia INRAT & El Alaa raingages	<b>-0.04</b>	0.16	21%	3.27
	Haffouz Dre, Oueslatia INRAT & kef laboid raingages	<b>0.04</b>	0.15	20%	3.14
	Haffouz Dre, Oueslatia INRA, kef laboid Makther & kesra forêt raingages	<b>0.04</b>	0.16	23%	3.14
	Haffouz Dre, kef laboid Makther & kesra forêt raingages	<b>0.13</b>	0.15	4%	2.99
Monthly	Haffouz Dre, kef laboid Makther & kesra forêt raingages	<b>0.29</b>	0.30	4%	0.78

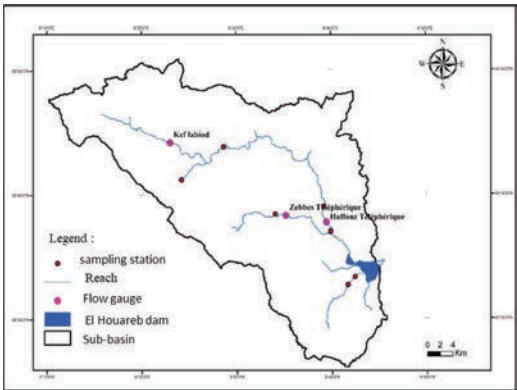
SWATCUP  
SUFFI2 Algorithm

The SWAT model is greatly sensitive to rainfall variability

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## Purpose

Use outputs of tasks 1.1 and 1.2 to test the sensitivity of the model to the variability of different sources (in situ and satellite).



update of the database to test the impact of land use change on runoff and sediment.



Figure 4 : sediment measurement points

## Problems

Land accessibility ( rough land, rugged mountain terrain)

Corona virus ( field observations and data collection postponed)

- D3.2.1 [Task 3.2]: report on modelling improvements via comparison exercises for integrated modelling schemes @ Month 33, to be shared within modelling workshops in WP5 @ Month 36.
- D3.2.2 [Task 3.2]: 2 submitted publications for methodological developments of integrated process modelling @ Month 36.

MS3: Update database to improved versions of integrated modelling schemes