





## TERENO-SOILCan - Status, Network Activities and Research Projects

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## SOILCan a Large Scale Climate Feedback Experiment

- SOILCan lysimeter network
- Research topic: influence of climate change on water and nutrient budget
- Climate transect and transport of lysimeter ("space for time approach") to measure water balance components under a real climate change
- Lysimeters provides: important datas of soil temperature, θ, ψ, soil water chemistry, precipitation, dew, evapotranspiration and reliable measurements of <u>leachate and capillary</u> <u>uprise</u> from new lysimeter approach (FANK 2009)











## On-Going Activities, Topics and Problems

- New lysimeter technic secures a better estimation of lysimeter in- and outflow, managed by a pump device to transfer measured field conditions on the lower boundary;
- Investigation how soils react to climatic change with respect to matter cycling and water dynamics;
- Realistic identification of solute transport;
- Development of plant communities in terms of species traits (especially roots) and genetic structure in adaption to the local conditions;
- Changes of a dynamic towards a stable system;
- Discussion of the crop rotation (winter wheat, pea, winter rape, winter barley); discussion paper sent to AB with request for comments and recommendations; feedback of one AB member;
- Technical problems with pumps and pump control units (high attrition, to high pump frequencies), matric potential sensors;
- Working group for data processing;





## Modelling Water Transport in SoilCan Lysimeters

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- continuous datasets
- different soil types
- same soils under various atmospheric boundaries



- parameterization
- relevant processes
- limitations of Richardsequation



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## Greenhouse Gas Measurements on Lysimeter Soils of Different Origin and Climate History

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- Assessing greenhouse gas (GHG) fluxes from several lysimeter soils
- Investigation of dissolved greenhouse gas concentrations in soil solution, indirect fluxes of GHGs representing a source of substantial uncertainty in GHG balances and -

inventories.



#### **Conclusions and Outlook**



- Preliminary results underpin the importance of continuous measurements to detect short-term emission events
- Impact of induced climatic change cannot be detected so far
- Indirect GHG emissions might be particularly susceptible to climate-changing conditions
- GHG monitoring will be continued at a long-term scale

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Soil water content, soil temperature,  $CO_2$ -,  $N_2O$ -, and  $CH_4$  - fluxes from grassland and arable soils (winter rape) at the Selhausen site.

Dissolved gas concentrations of  $N_2O$  and  $CO_2$  in soil solution from arable, forest, and grassland lysimeters



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## Intermediate Conclusions and Outlook

- Selhausen is warmer and dryer than Wüstebach and Rollesbroich
- Priming effect for nitrate, minor differences for nitrate induced by lysimeter translocation
- High nitrogen input via snow in Wüstebach
- But no priming effect for DOC, minor differences for DOC induced by lysimeter translocation
- Optimization of lower boundary condition is recommended
- On-going measurement/sampling program





## Impact of Different Lower Boundary Conditions on Water Balance Components of the SOILCan-Lysimeter Network

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#### Lower boundary condition

- Lower boundary control for lysimeters from the "space for time" approach in Selhausen and Bad Lauchstädt (and Dedelow)
- Control by local field tensiometer measurements
- Seasonal matric potential development depends strong on soil properties and meteorological conditions

#### Question:

- Correctness of actual lower boundary condition for transported lysimeter?
- Can we quantify the impact of different lower boundary approaches on water balance components for grass and crop lysimeters in Selhausen and Bad Lauchstädt





## Lower Boundary Control of Lysimeters from Different Sites

#### Hydrus 1-D

- Virtual experiment
- Site specific soil and meteorological data
- Standard parameterization for grass and wheat

#### Assumption:

- Mix-model represents real field conditions
- Evaluate impact lower boundary control





## Conceptual Approach for New Lower Boundary Control







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## Tracer Experiment within the SOILCan Network

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#### Why:

- To define parameters for solute transport from the SOILCan lysimeters
- Edge-flow (wall effect) to proof excavation method or soil shrinkage effects

#### <u>Aims:</u>

- Quantification of the edge-flow effect in selected lysimeters
- Spatial variability of transport parameters in some monoliths
- <u>Range of the climate change impact on soil chemistry and</u> <u>solute transport?</u>







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## **Double Tracer Application in Selected Lysimeters**

#### Focus:

Testing sidewall-flow with double tracer test (i.e. SAFFGINA et al. 1977, SAXENA et al. 1992, FANK 2009)

#### Schedule:

- KBr and NaCl-
- KBr (nearly ideal water tracer (LEIBUNDGUT 2003, Anion exclusion can lead to a guicker flow than water)
- NaCl (still need to verify background concentration in soils)





From DURNER & FANK (2008)









## Double Tracer Lysimeter Experiment Garmisch-Partenkirchen

## Additional idea to detect side-flow

- Lysimeter from Gm with a high clay content
- Swelling and shrinkage in humid or dry periodes leads to a significant crack between monolith and lysimter wall (observed)

### Single or double tracer application:

- Tracer application
- Extra irrigation (during rainfall events), for a quicker transit of tracer through the vadose zone (time limited experiment)
- BTC and soil core (every 5cm) analysation (center and wall) to recieve tracer concentration over soil depth



CORWIN et al. 2000



# Jel-Jhank you for your attention!

Grafik 1: Blindtext







## Evaluating A Space For Time Approach For Soil Water Balances In Context Of Climate Change

#### <u>Basic idea:</u>

- Grass lysimeter in Rollesbroich and in Selhausen (from Rollesbroich)
- Sensitivity analysis (MC or DYNIA, WAGENER et al. 2002) parameter optimization (i.e. AMALGAM, VRUGT & ROBINSON 2009 or SCEM-UA, VRUGT et al. 2003) for both lysimeter sites

#### <u>Challenge:</u>

• Multi-objective model calibration of  $E_a$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\theta$ , leachate (MERTENS et al. 2006, GROH et al. 2013)

#### <u>Aims:</u>

- How react model parameters under climate change conditions (stationary, non-stationary), important information for the transferability of model parameters in climate change studies (i.e. STEFFENS et al 2013, pesticide leaching, temperature, climate change)
- Climate change impact on the water balance components (Ea, S, leachate, and  $\psi$ ,  $\theta$ )

