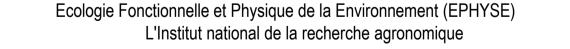
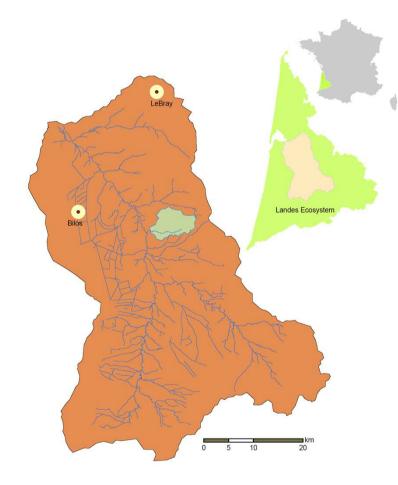
# High Resolution Mapping of LAI and other parameters with SPOT-4 Data for Spatially-explicit Ecohydrological Modeling in the Landes de Gascogne

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# Modeling of Ecohydrological Processes in the Landes de Gascogne

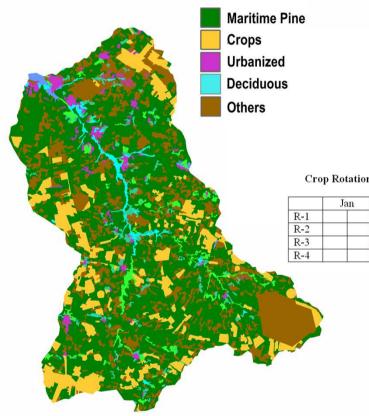


Science Questions to be Answered

- 1. What determines interannual variability of C and water fluxes in this ecosystem?
- 2. What's is the role of hydrology?
- 3. How nutrients, water and C interact?
- 4. How landuse change affect C and W fluxes?
- 5. How disturbances affect C and W fluxes?
- 6. What are the governing mechanisms of terrestrial-benthic connectivity?



### **Characteristics of Vegetation in the Landes de Gascogne**



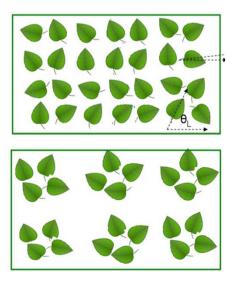
- Small patches of managed forestry and croplands
- Forests stands at different ages have unique structures and hence creates complexity
- Croplands have different cropping rotation

Crop Rotation : Landes de Gascogne

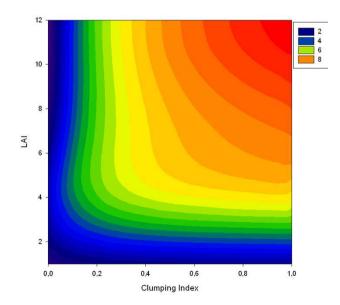
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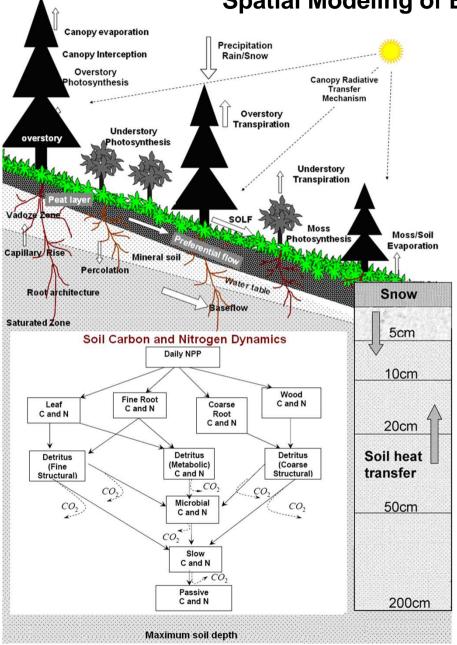
#### **Canopy Attributes Controlling the Radiative Transfer Mechanism**

- 1. Leaf Abundance (LAI)
- 2. Element orientation affecting radiation transmission through the canopy (G factor)
- 3. Elemental aggregation in space affecting radiation transmission ( $\Omega$ )



Synergistic influence of LAI<sub>tot</sub> and Clumping on Photosynthesis (color tones) gC/m2/day





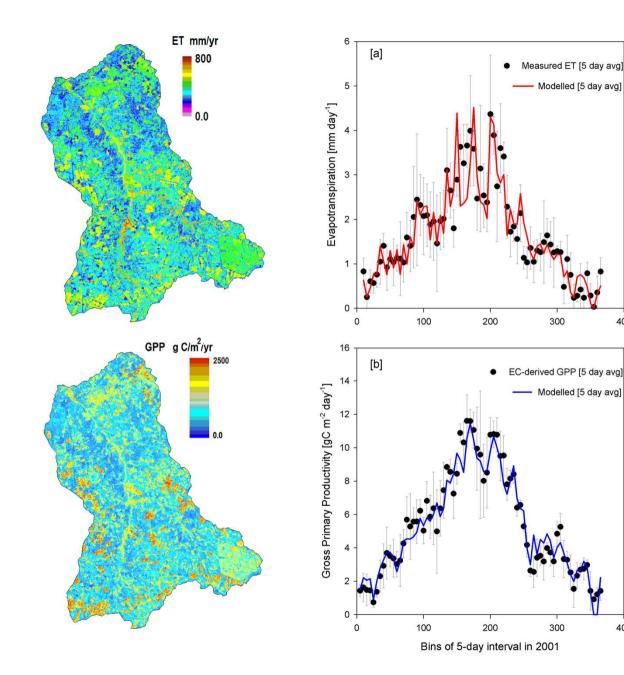
**Spatial Modeling of Ecohydroloical Processes** 

# **STEPS-** Simulator of Terrestrial Ecohydrological Processes and Systems

STEPS is being developed at EPHYSE incorporating:

 Agroecosystems (C3 and C4 plants)
 Long-term simulations possible
 Phosphorous-cycle
 DOC, DON etc
 Fate of N Fertilizer transformations
 Forest / Agroecosystem Management
 Biotic Stresses- Poplulation Dynamics of an endemic pest

Govind et al. [2013 b], Ecological Modeling (revision)





Modelled [5 day avg]

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Modelled [5 day avg]

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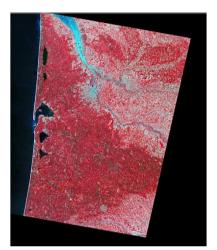
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Lack LAI information in recent years

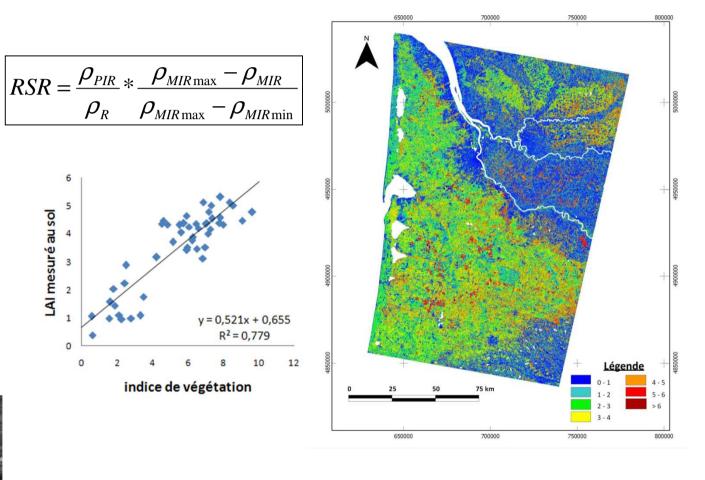
Knowledge in crop rotation is limited

Govind et al. [2013 b], Ecological Modeling (revision)

# **Developing a Landscape-specific Algorithm to map LAI**



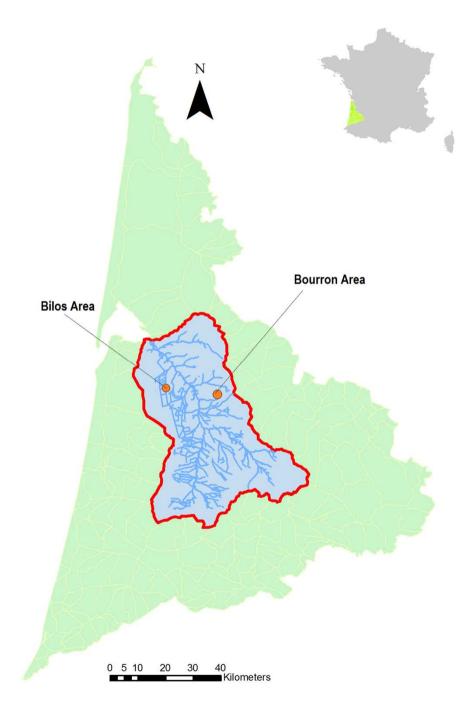
Landsat ETM July 2001





Field Measurements of LAI [VALERI Project] July 2001

> Reginiers et al. [2012], IEEE IGARSS Masters thesis



# Key Objectives with SPOT-4 data:

[1] Map LAI and associated CRTM parameters at high resolution (<50m)

[2] Map the cropping Rotation in LDG

#### Measurements of various CRT Attributes in the Landes de Gascogne

LAI-2000

Effective PAIMean Tilt Angle for the deriving

**Digital Hemispherical Photography** 

Effective PAI
Clumping Index using Leblanc (2005) approach at various VZAs

Tracing Radiation and Architecture in Canopies (TRAC) Clumping Index

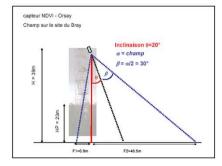
Field-based NDVI observation

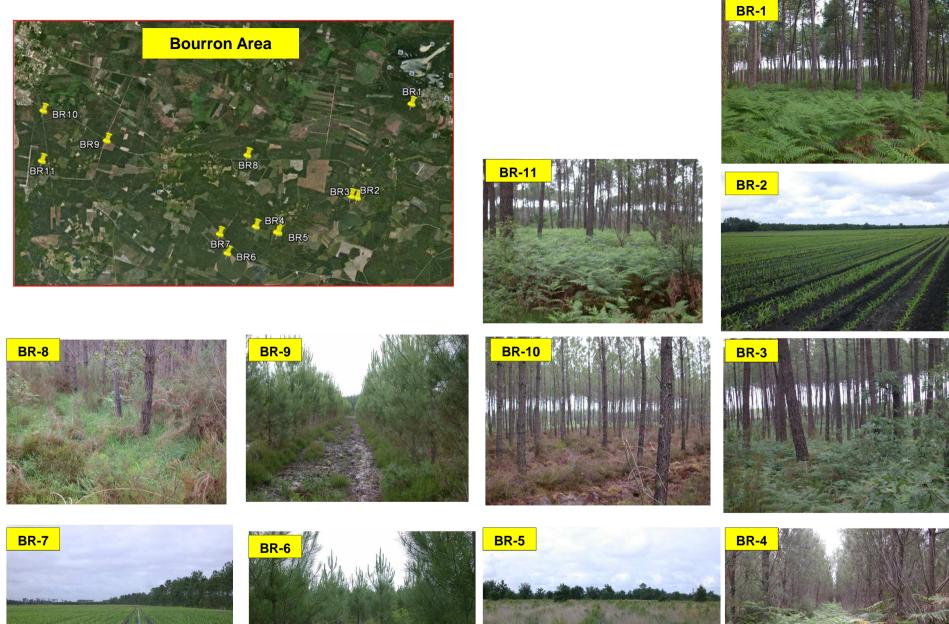
At 8m above canopy at Bilos siteZenith angle 30degreesAzimuth towards West























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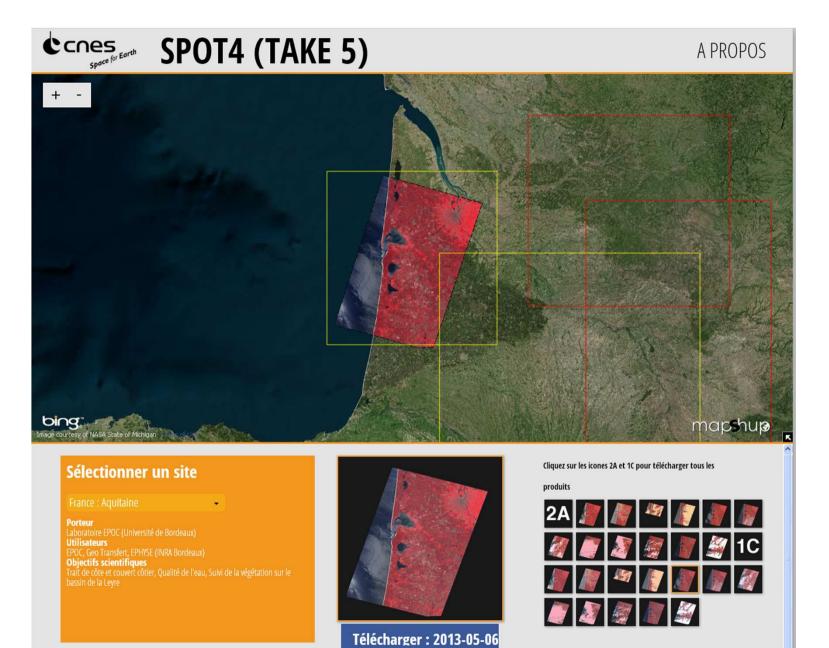






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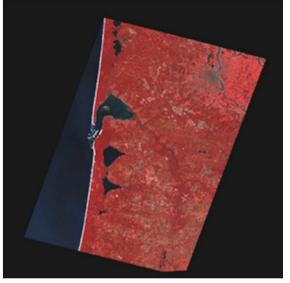


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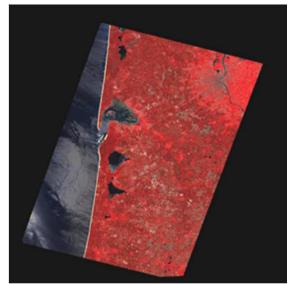
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#### Some Usable Satellite Data Available via SPOT-4 (Take-5) Project

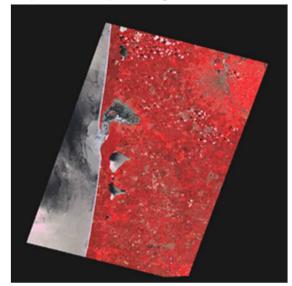
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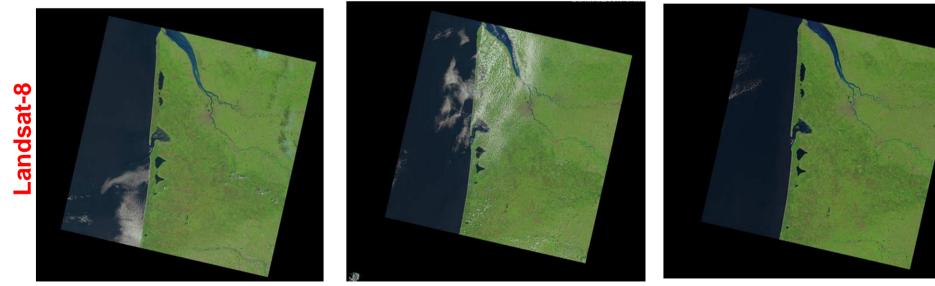
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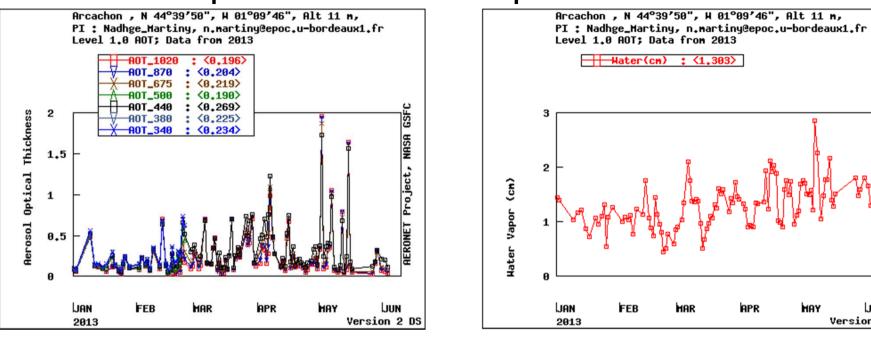


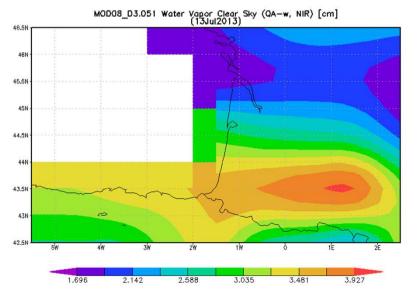
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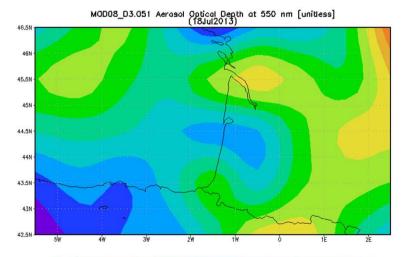


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#### **Input Data Source for Atmospheric Correction**

#### **Future Activities**

- Process the ground-based observations of LAI and related parameters.
- Atmospheric Correction of datasets with SMAC model and calculate spectral indices (NDVI and RSR) based on TOC reflectances.
- Invert our algorithm developed in June 2001 over the June 2013 imageries
- Validate the retrievals with LAI measurements and NDVI observations
- Map cropping Rotation with multi-temporal data (SPOT-4, Landsat 8)
- Make end-member spectral reflectance measurements for sub-pixel decomposition and characterization (STEPS-TOSCA project)
- Simulate C and W fluxes over Landes de Gascogne

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