

Phenology studies need to account for tissue temperature, not (only) air temperature

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Temperature drives phenology in extra-tropical ecosystems

- Important role of Chilling and Forcing over the preseason
- Strong shift in phenophase induced by climate warming
- Extension of growing season length

But

- Heterogeneity in response between species and regions
- Phenology might be co-limited by several other factors (light, water, nutrients...)



Light in phenology studies = Photoperiod

The effect of light is often considered by photoperiod and mainly daylength

- Direct sensing of the quantity and quality of light? (phytohormones?)
- Spectral composition?
- More sporadically, insolation sum as forcing.

→ Still debated, but recent studies suggest complex interactions between light and temperature



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Daily Maximum Temperatures Induce Lagged Effects on Leaf Unfolding in Temperate Woody Species Across Large Elevational Gradients

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Responses of bud-break phenology to daily-asymmetric warming: daytime warming intensifies the advancement of bud break

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Opposite effects of winter day and night temperature changes on early phenophases

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Research

Three times greater weight of daytime than of night-time temperature on leaf unfolding phenology in temperate trees

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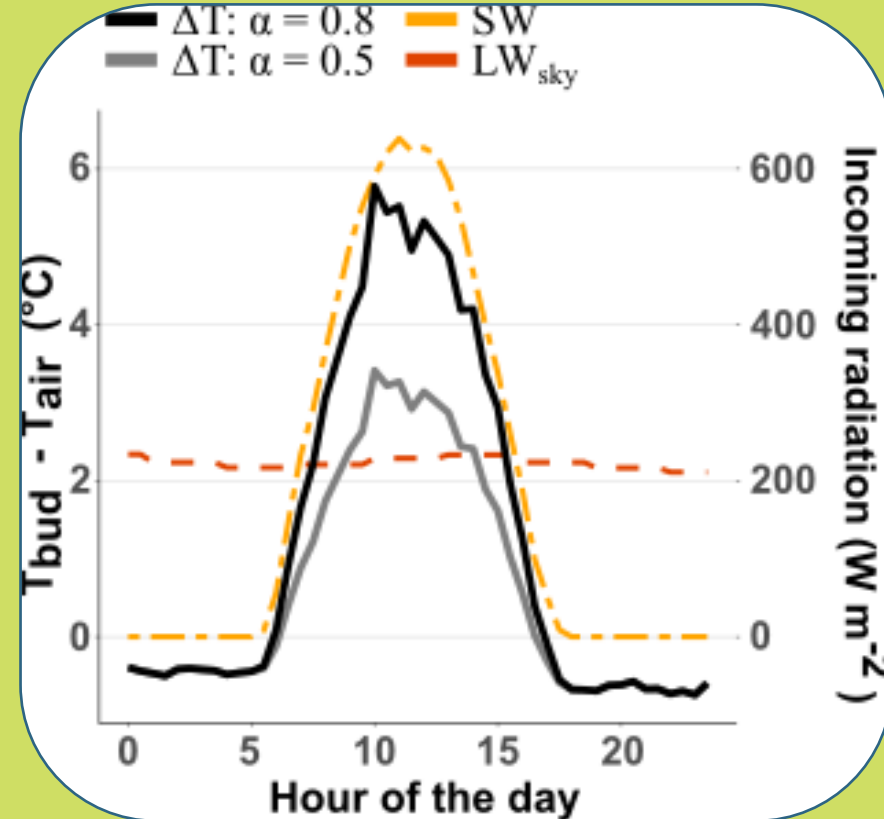
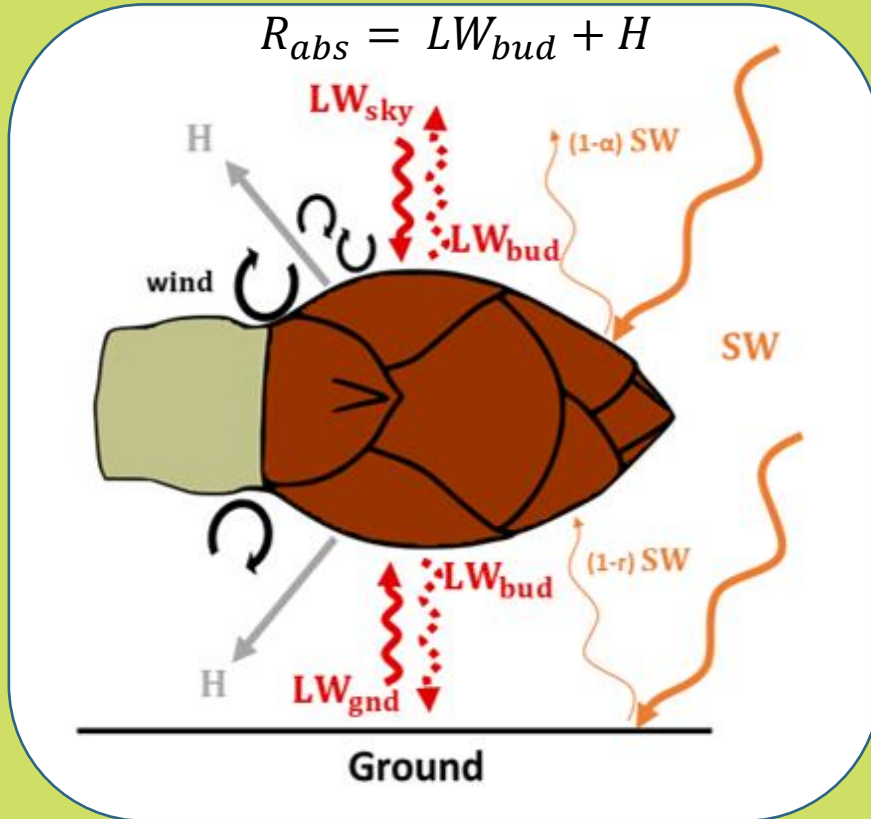
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→ Assymetrical effect of day and night temperature



The forgotten effect of radiation and wind



SW = shortwave radiation
 LW = longwave radiation
 H = Sensible heat
 α = solar absorptivity of bud

→ Direct effect on tissue temperature



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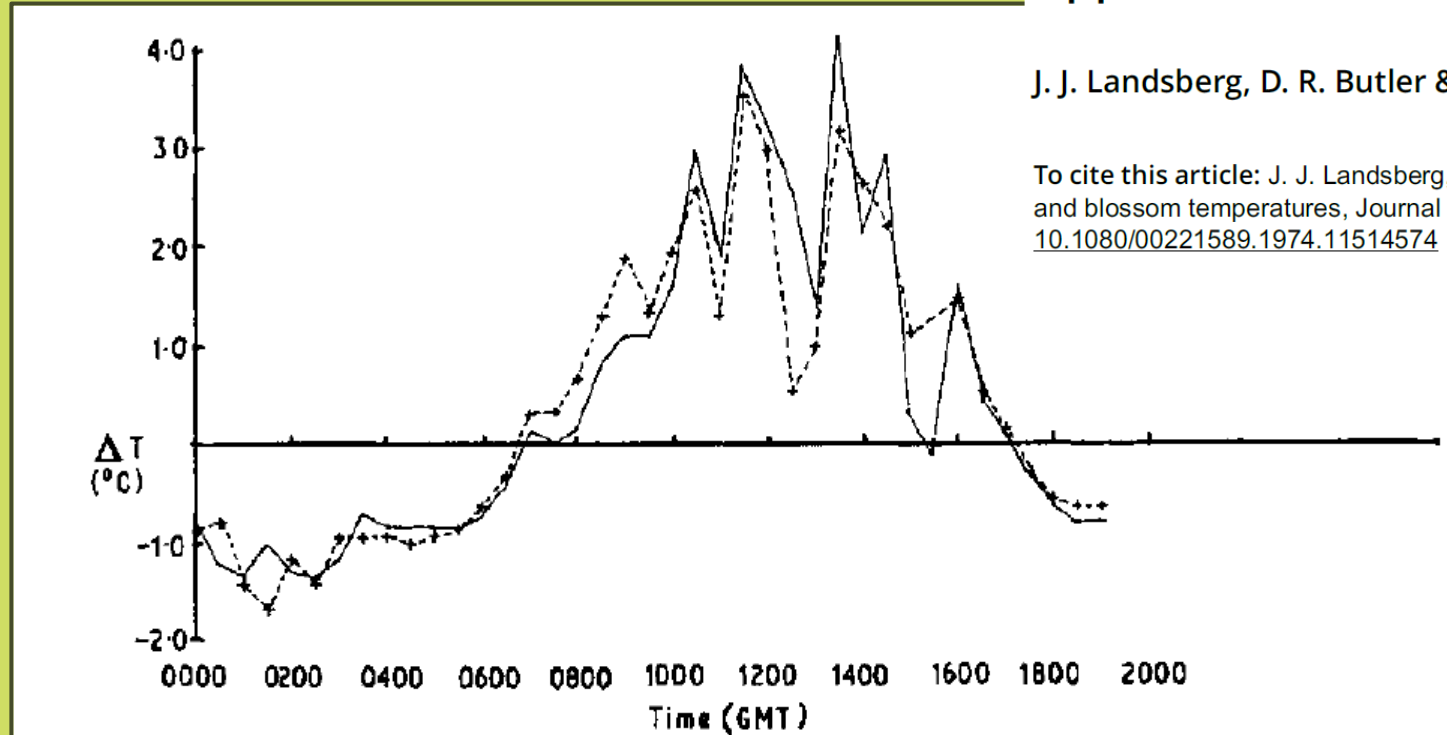
Apple bud and blossom temperatures

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Effect known for
a long time

— Obs
- - - Model



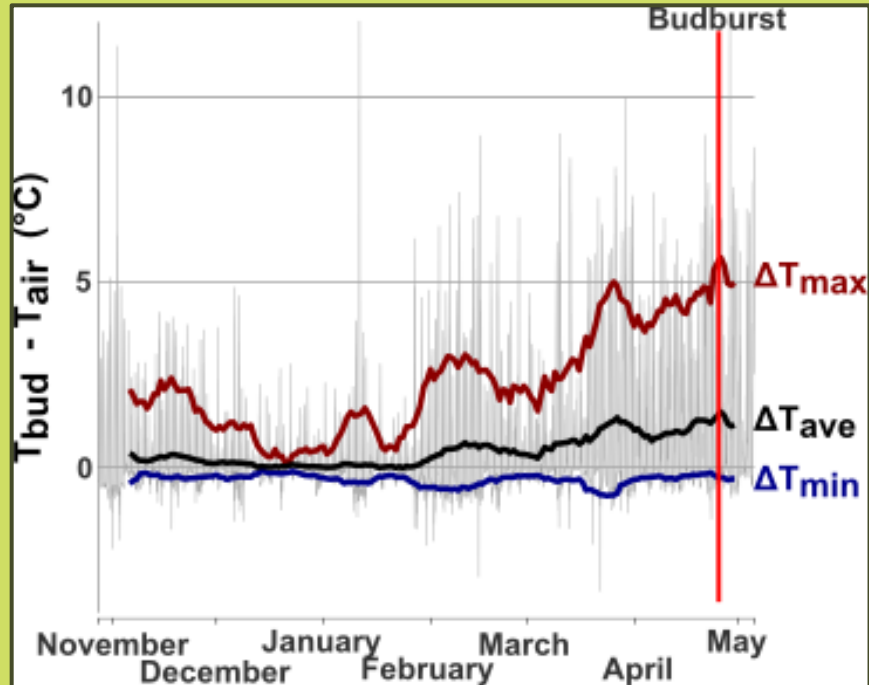
→ Direct effect on tissue temperature

What can we expect if we account for bud temperature in phenology studies?

- No (or not enough) available data to answer directly this question
- But we have energy budget models
 - application of existing **steady-state** energy model with site level and global meteorological data for **sun-exposed buds**
 - exploration of temporal and spatial variability in bud temperature



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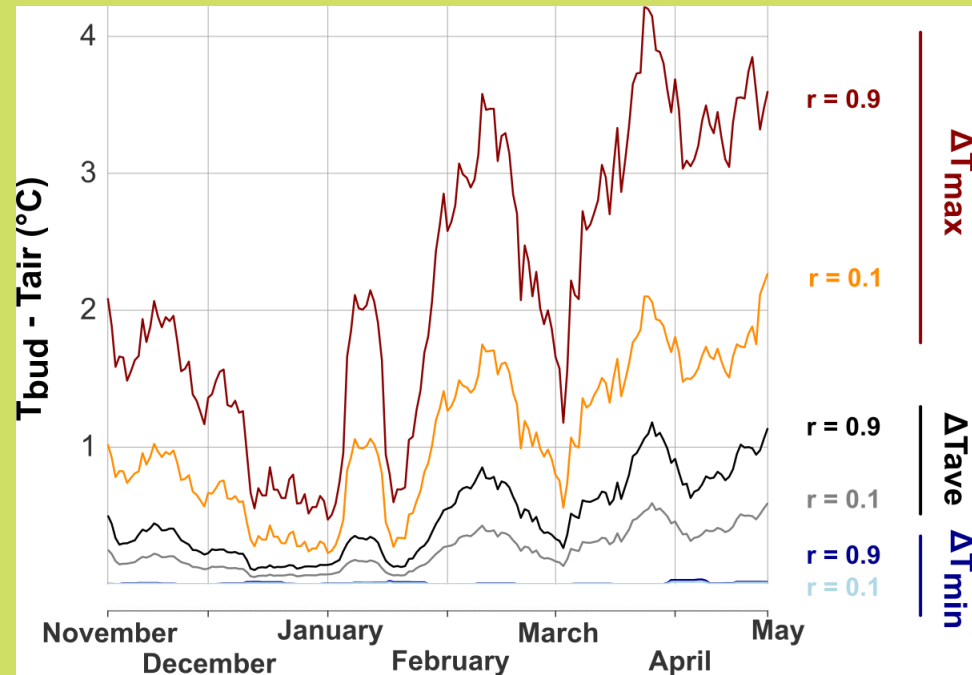


Model forced with 30min FLUXNET data
(Hesse, France)
Model with $\alpha = 0.8$, bud diameter = 5mm

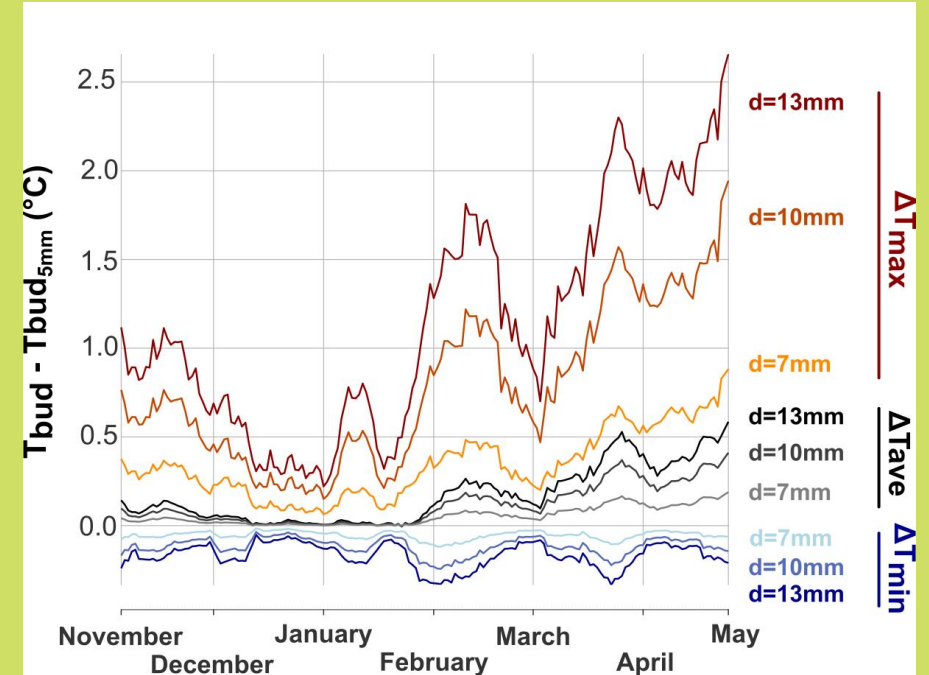
At the site level

- Non proportional T_{bud} and T_{air} trajectories
- Higher variability in T_{bud} than T_{air}
- Different extremum in T_{bud} than T_{air}
- Depends on bud traits and local environment

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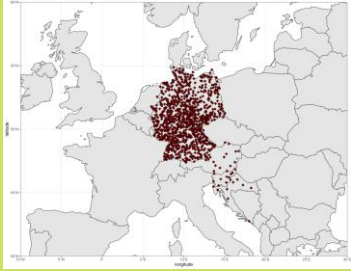
Effect of ground albedo (r)



Effect of bud diameter (d)
(!!! Steady-state model !!!)

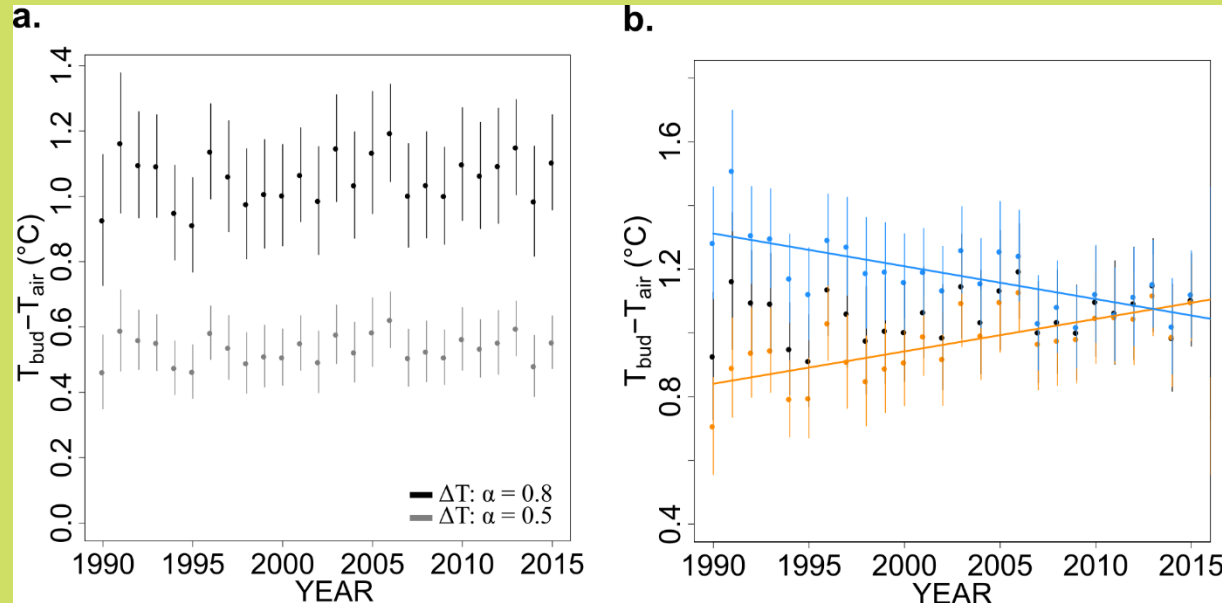


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PEP data, 5 species + CRUNCEP, 6h, 0.5°

At the regional level



ΔT is expected to **decrease (blue)** over the period 1990-2016 for 356 sites*species (7%) and **increase (orange)** for 902 sites*species (18%) over a total of 5050 sites*species

!!! Steady-state model without species or site calibration !!!

→ Higher variability expected after calibration and the use of a transient model



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Widespread decline in winds delayed autumn foliar senescence over high latitudes

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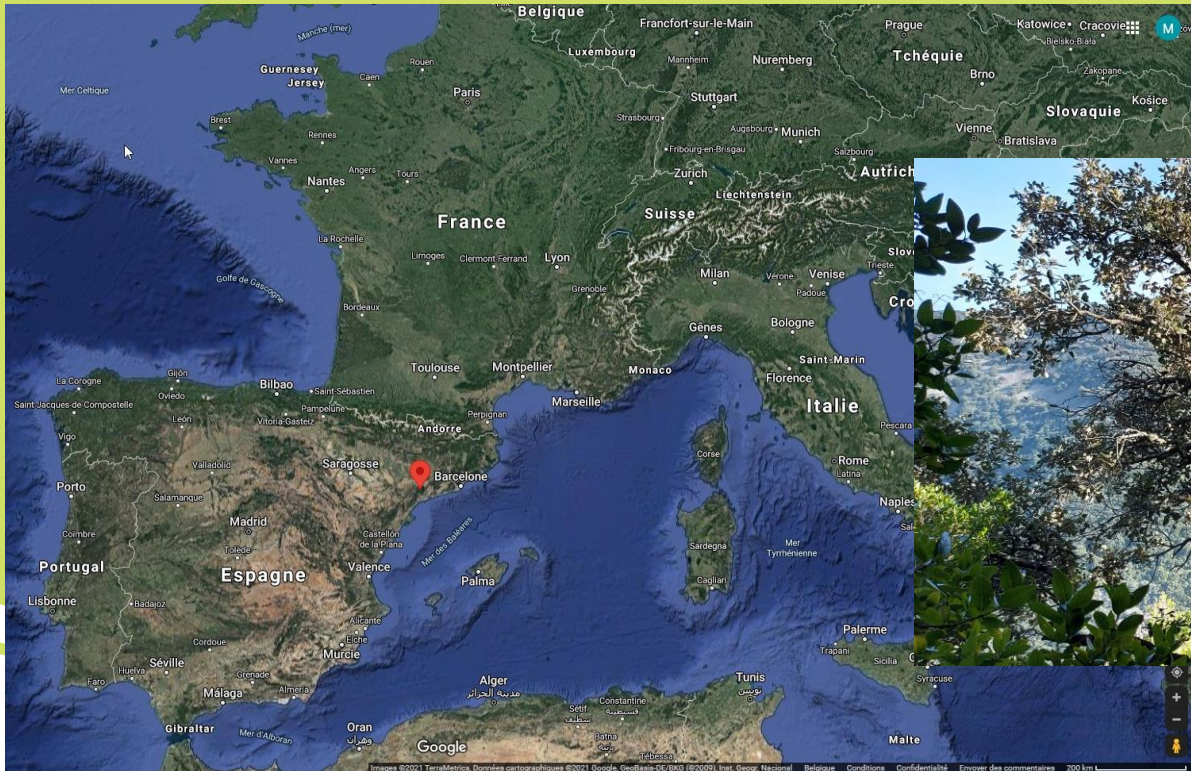
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→ We need bud/leaf temperature, traits, and micrometeorological data to answer these questions

Measurement of bud temperature and microclimate in the field

- Master Thesis of Cinta Sabaté Gil at CREAM
- Field monitoring of bud temperature and microclimate at Prades Mountains, Catalonia (41°20'38" N, 1°2'0" E, 950 m a.s.l.)

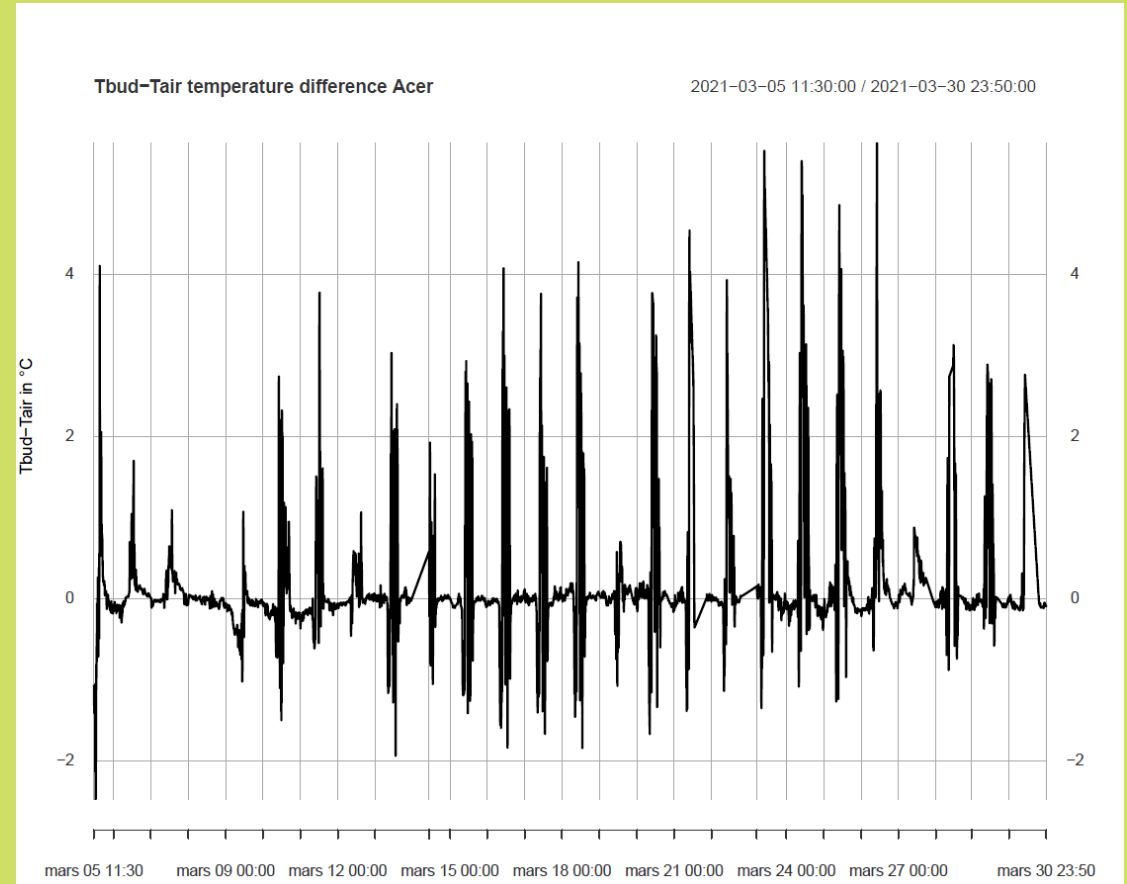


Measurement of bud temperature and microclimate in the field

→ 5 species: *Acer monspessulanum*,
Sorbus torminalis, *Quercus Ilex*,
Phillyrea latifolia & *Arbutus unedo*



T-type thermocouple



Preliminary results in line with the modeling approach



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→ Collection of buds for traits (spectral properties, size, ...)



→ results coming soon 😊



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