Collaborating with Science and Methods in the Cool Farm Alliance

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OUR MISSION



To enable millions of growers around the world to make more informed on-farm decisions that reduce their environmental impact.

Cool Farm

Academic Partners

- University of Aberdeen
- University of Cambridge
- University of Edinburgh
- GFZ German Centre for Geosciences
- University of Oxford
- Wageningen University & Research
- Colorado State University

Members

134 MEMBERS & PARTNERS (Status 04/2022)



Cool Farm Ecosystem: Where research leads to impact

Latest IPCC Science GHG Protocol

UNIVERSITIES

Globally Applicable Methods

Create Build Soil
Action Plans Carbon
FARMERS

Communicate

Assess

Collate
Supply Chain
Emissions

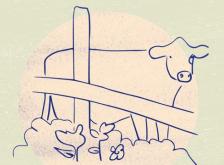
Track Engage & Improvements Reward BUSINESSES

Report against targets

Monitor Biodiversity

Scope:





Livestock GHG

Biodiversity

Temperate Forest Semi-Arid Mediterranean

Soon: Beta Tropical Forest

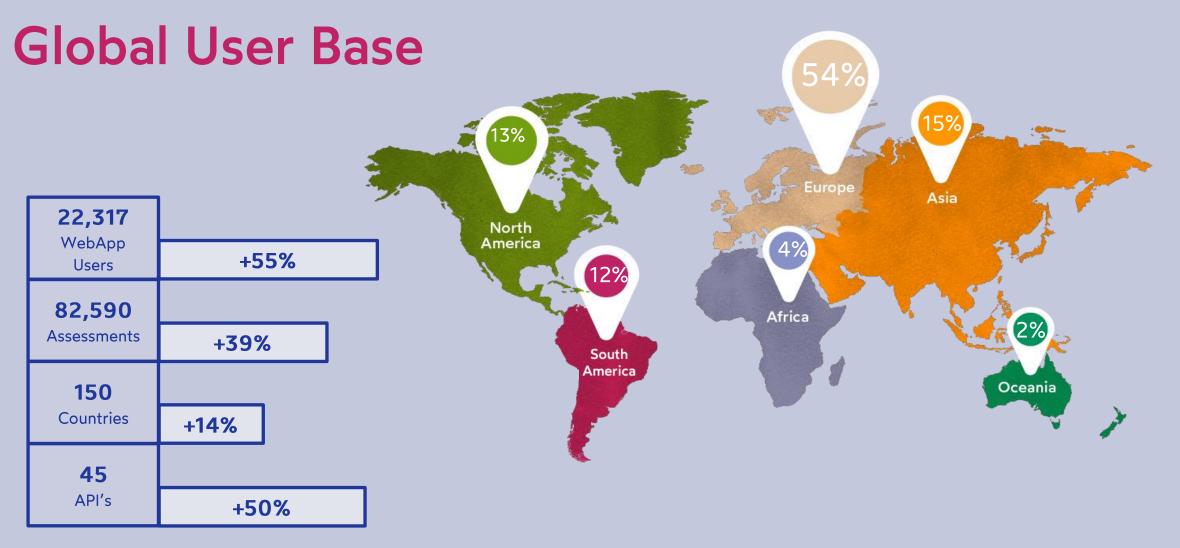


Crops



GHG + Water + Food Loss & Waste

Future: Perennials



Status: End of 2021

Increase between March & December 2021

Science Snap Shot – Existing 3 PhD Students

- Marte Nikolaisen University of Aberdeen
 - -The focus is on an improved global rice model for the CFT, which considers site specific variables (e.g., soil texture, crop duration, planting method) and reliably predict emissions from rice grown in temperate as well as tropical condition. The development and evaluation of the global CH4 model was completed and currently Marte is writing the scientific paper. Likely this improved rice method will be added to CFT 3.0 in 2024.
- Jordi Buckley Imperial College London
 - -Seeking farm data to support investigation into crop-specific 2D and 3D modelling of nutrient flows across catchments, ultimately leading to a rule-of-thumb for use in the water module.
- Helen Hughes Edinburgh University
 - -The focus is on soil C estimation methods for arable land. Helen is looking at new model approaches for a number of practices and geographies, hoping to develop methods that are relevant and accessible to farmers. Helen also chairs the Soil WG.

Thank you

Questions?

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