



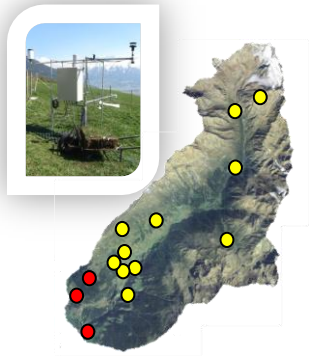
## **Mazia valley/Matschertal test site - Bolzano/Bozen - Italy**

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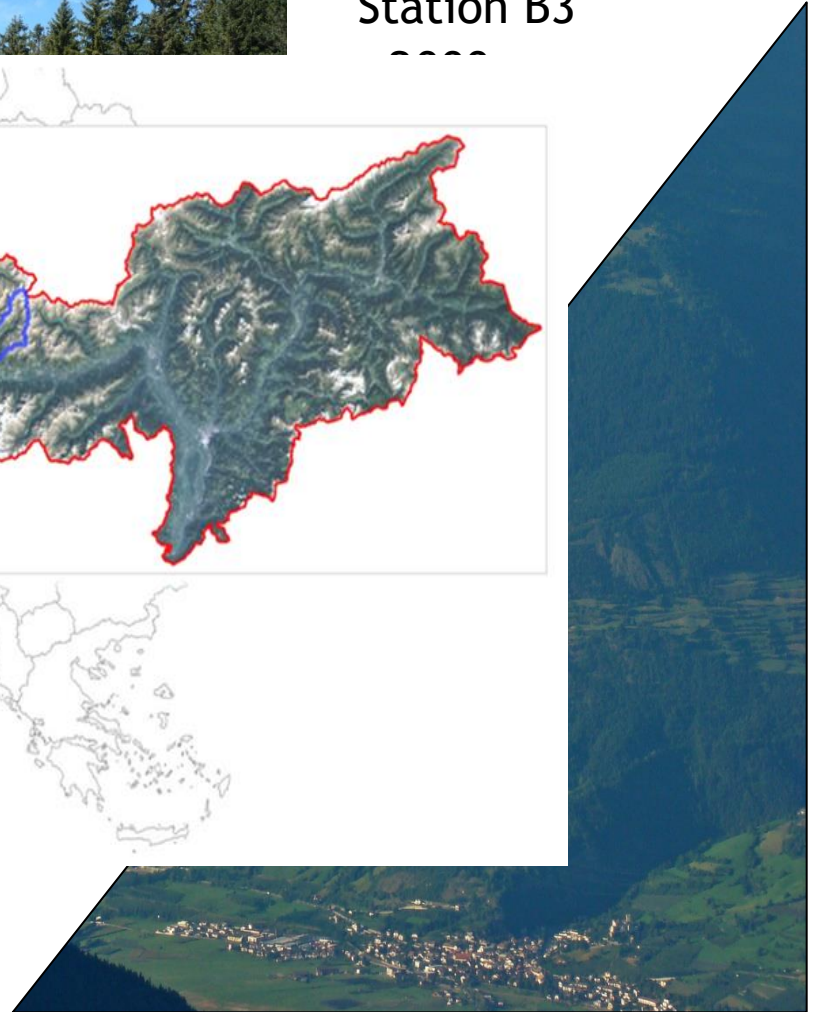
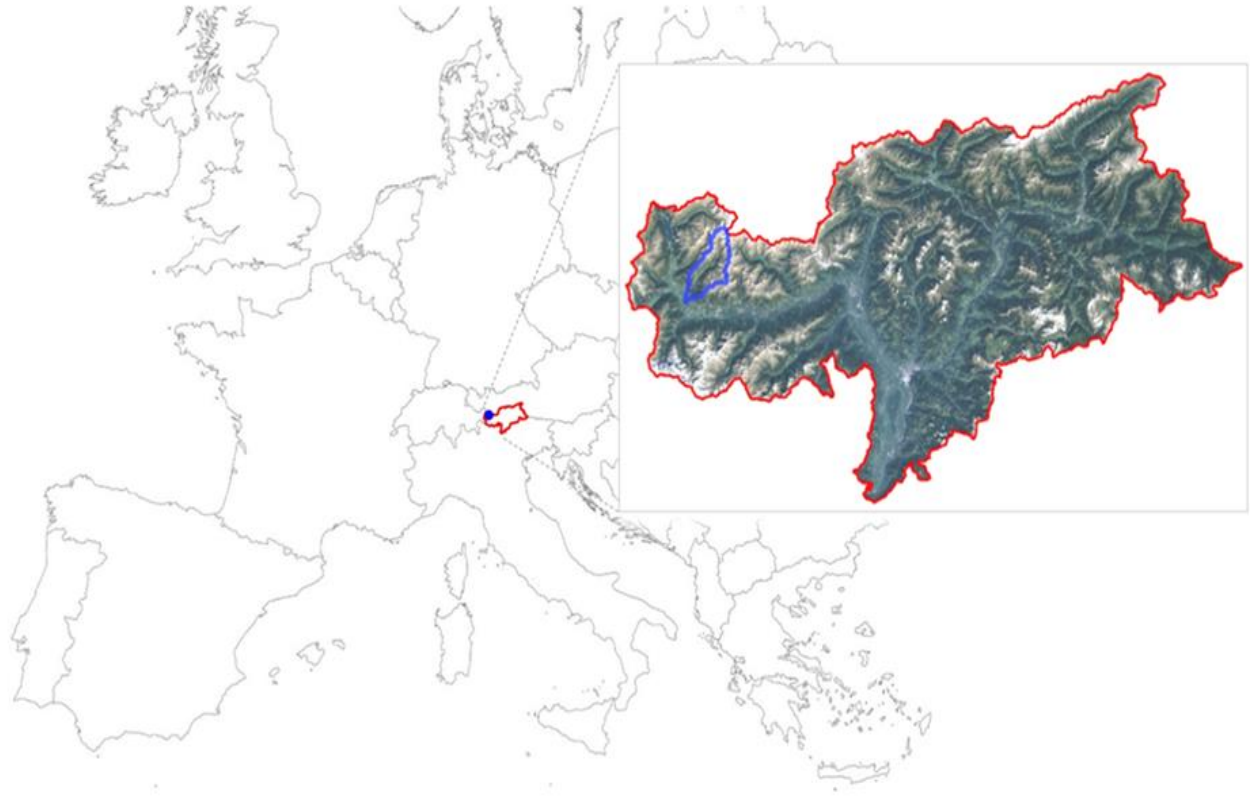
# Pictures of landscape and stations

Experimental Transect



Station B3

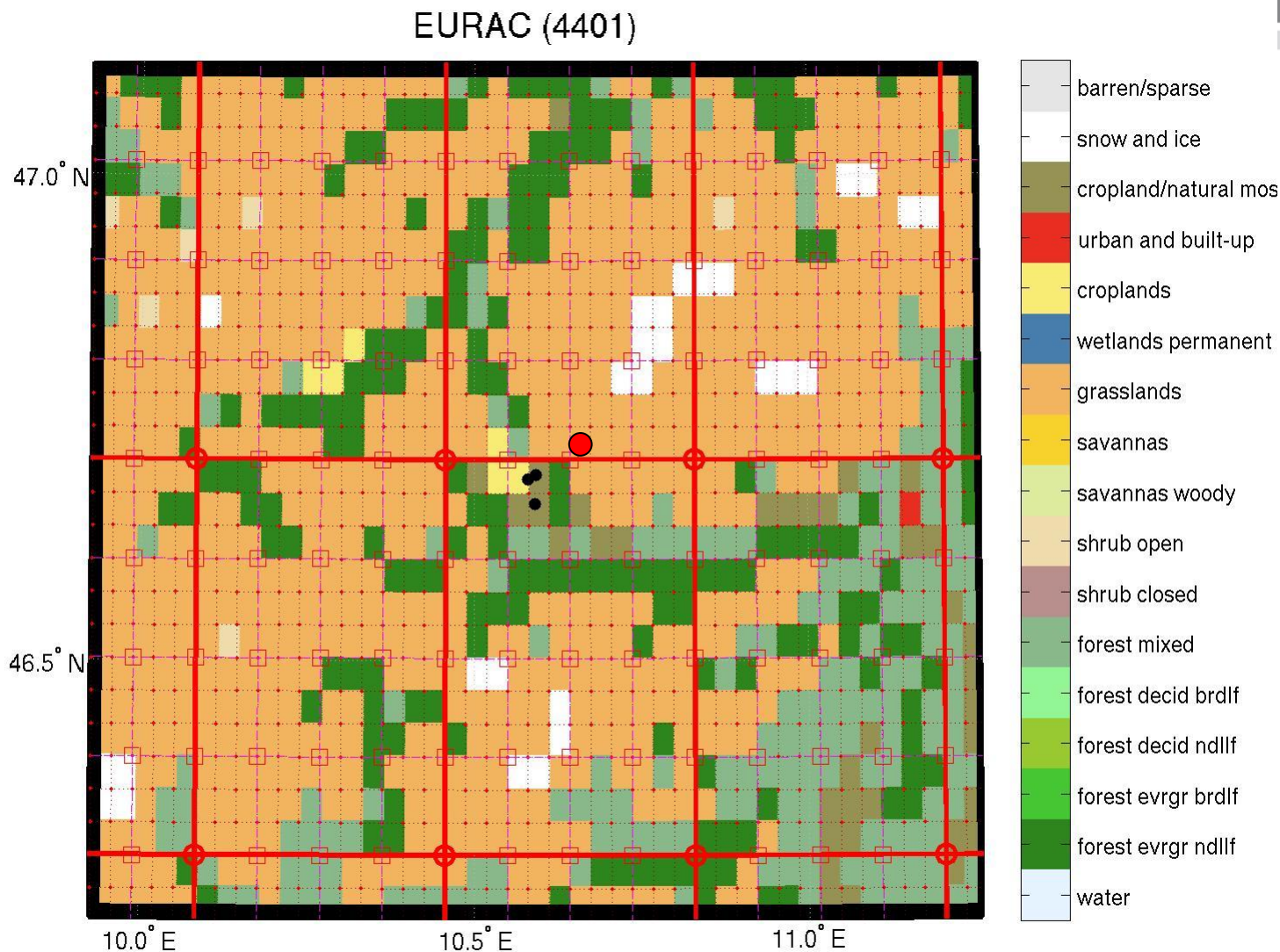
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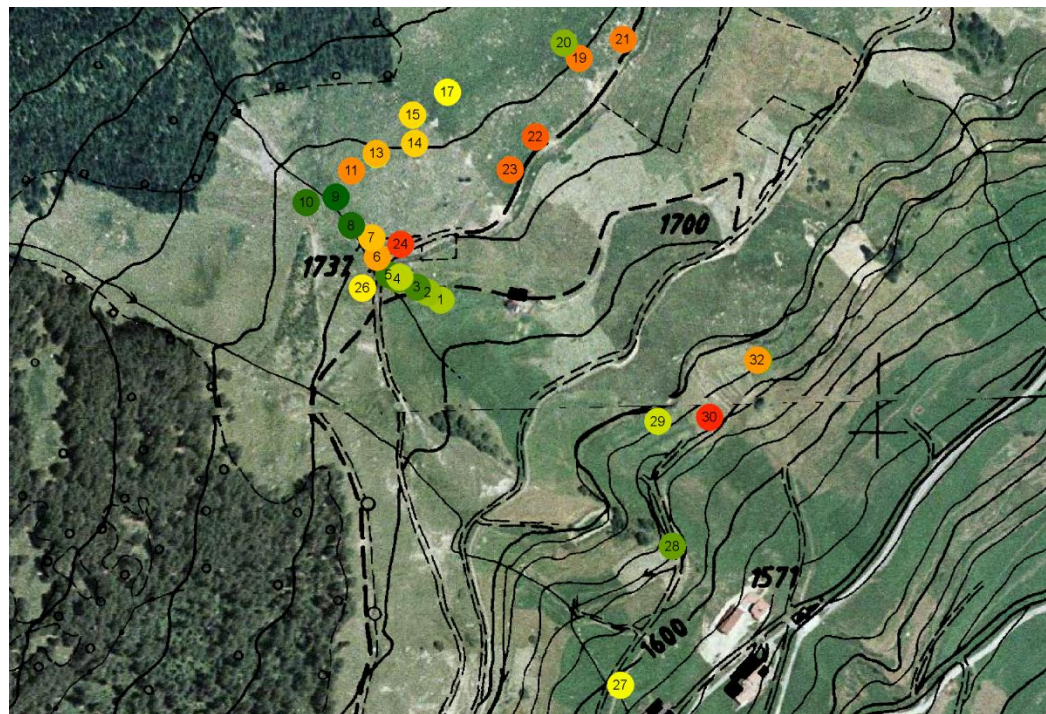
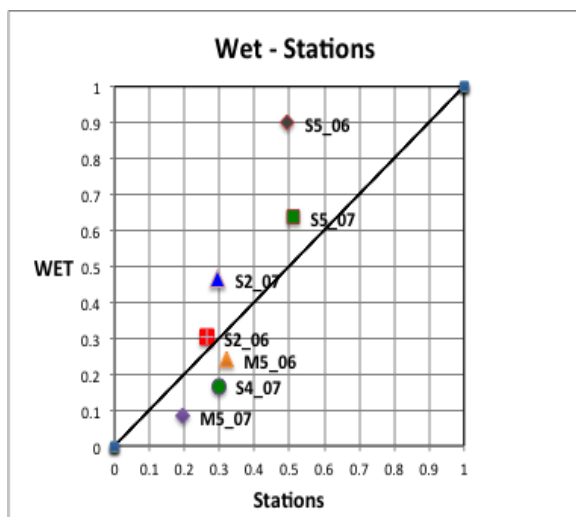
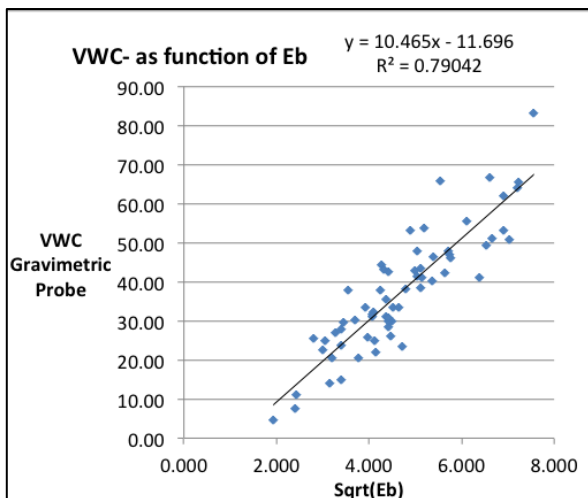
# SMAP Grid Cell and station map



The land class predominant over the 36km is the grassland which over this area is located at an average altitude of 2000m a.s.l with a standard deviation of around 500 m.

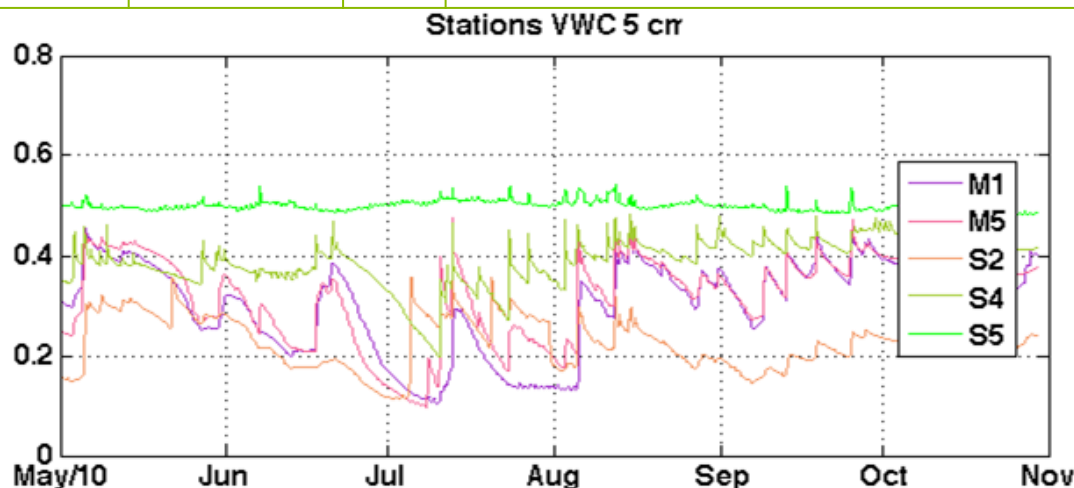
The location of the S4 ● station at around 2300m is then representative of the grassland in "average" for this area.





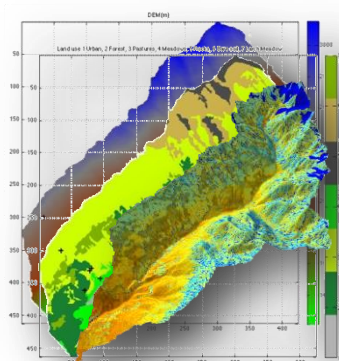
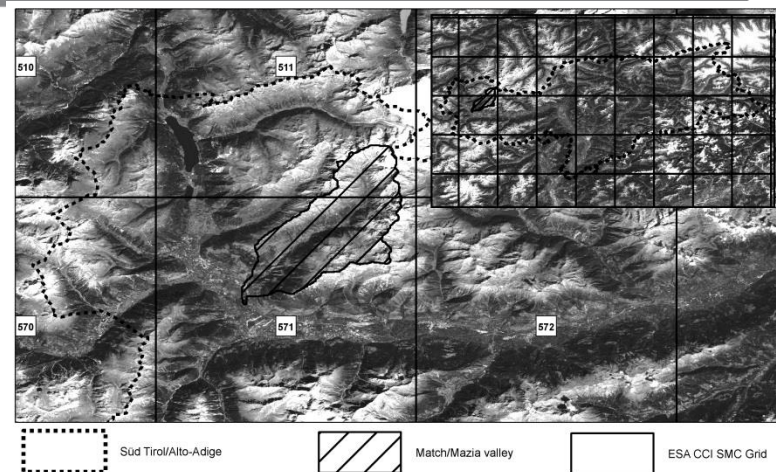
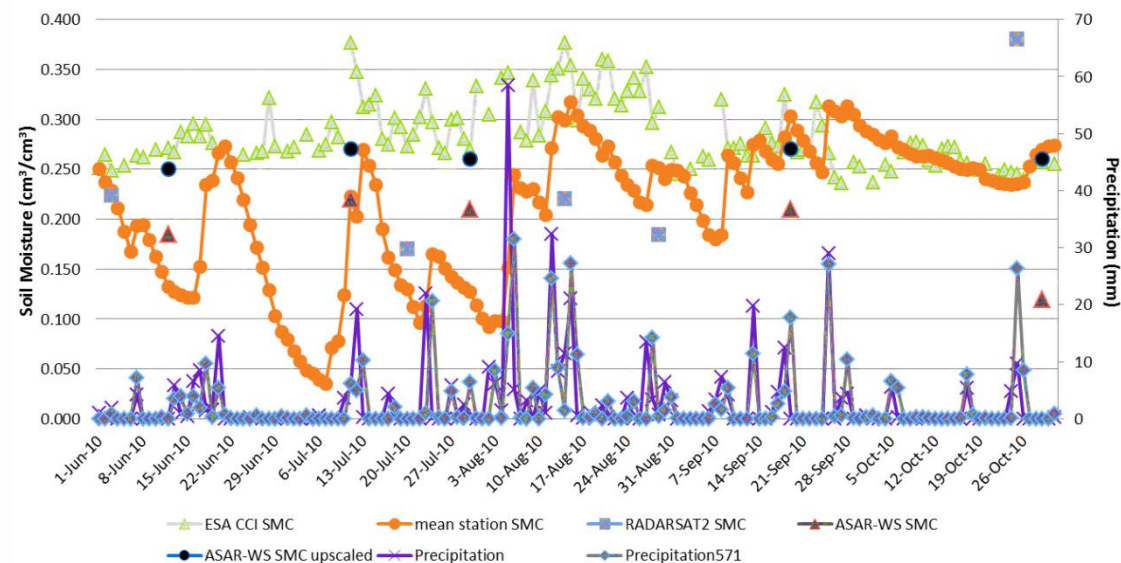
- Use of TDR and gravimetric samples
- Good correspondence with station values;
- Patterns correspond to land cover/topographic features.

| Site name                   | ID   | #    | Variables (depth)  |
|-----------------------------|------|------|--|
| Schluderns/Sluderno (B1000) | 4401 | 1    | <u>SM* at 5 and 20cm</u> (2 replicates) ST at 0.5, 5, 10, 20 and 50cm depth, PREC. Tair (both at 2m) manually downloadable by GSM connection. (Decagon sensor)   |
| Muntetsching (B1500)        |      | 1(6) | <u>SM at 5 and 20cm</u> (2 replicates) ST at 0.5, 5, 10, 20 and 50cm depth, PREC. Tair (both at 2m) manually downloadable by GSM connection. (5 more replicates of SM profiles will be installed in autumn 2013) |
| Tartscher Leger (B2000)     |      | 1    | <u>SM at 5 and 20cm</u> (2 replicates) ST at 0.5, 5, 10, 20 and 50cm depth, PREC. Tair (both at 2m) manually downloadable by GSM connection.   |
| B4 (2300)                   |      | 1    | <u>SM at 5 and 20cm</u> (2 replicates) ST at 0.5, 5, 10, 20 and 50cm depth, PREC. Tair (both at 2m) manually downloadable by GSM connection.   |

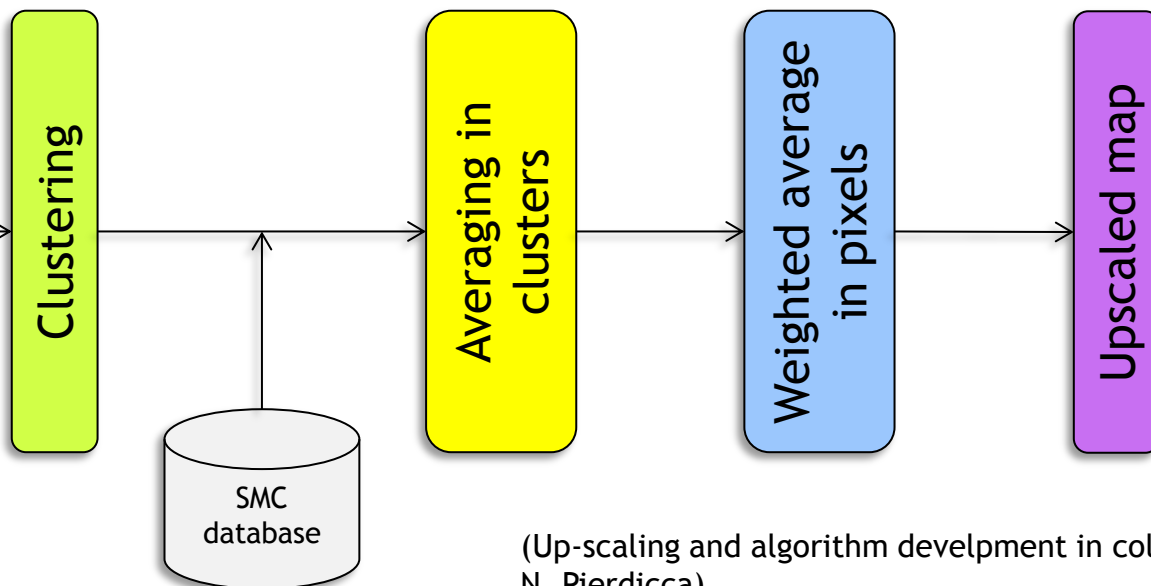


Representation for 5 cm and 20 cm with 2 replicates for each level

# Approach to up-scale SMAP products

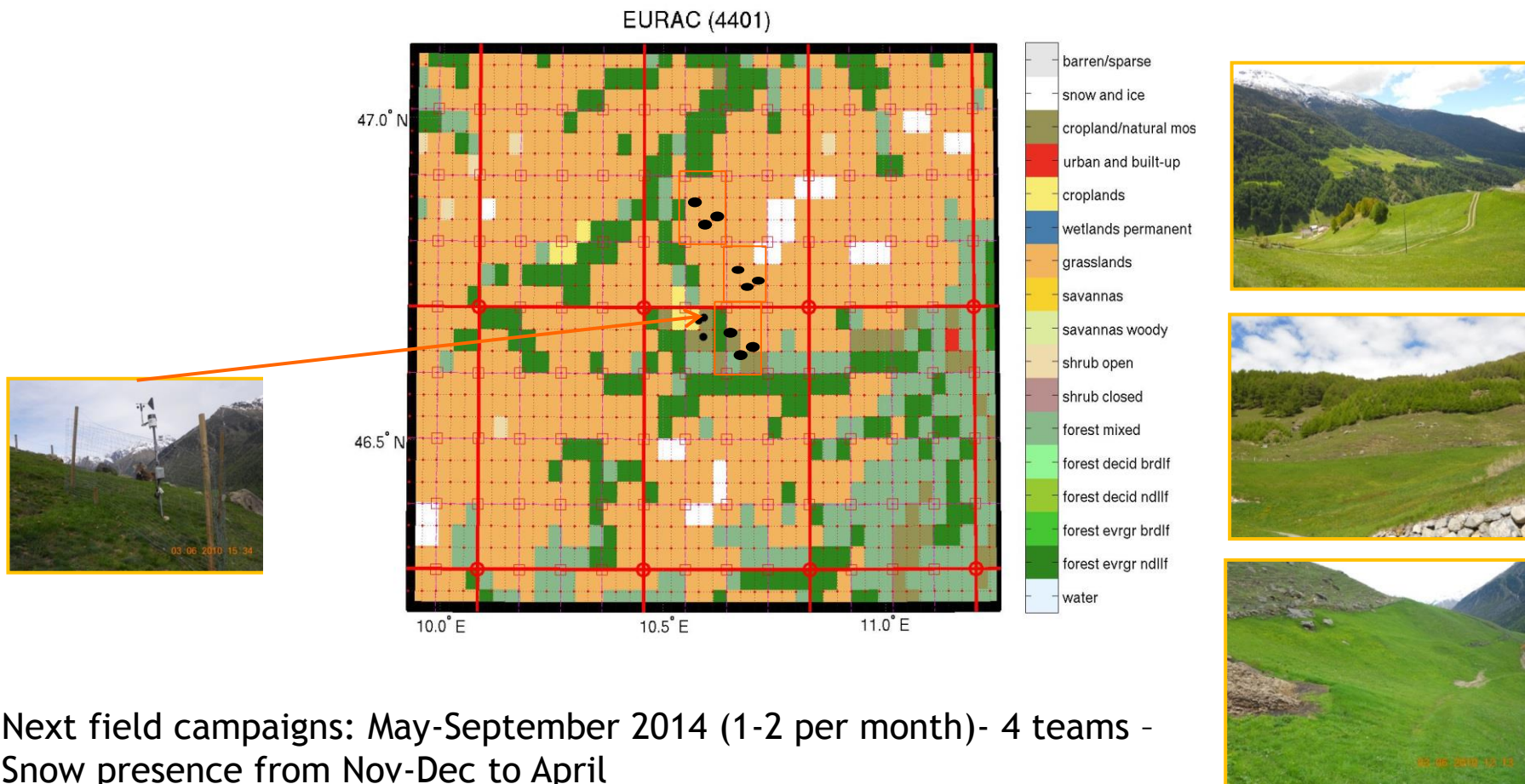


Landscape Auxiliary data:  
DEM  
Land use  
Hydrological model



(Up-scaling and algorithm development in collaboration with N. Pierdicca)





Next field campaigns: May-September 2014 (1-2 per month)- 4 teams -  
Snow presence from Nov-Dec to April

Gravimetric samples + TDR sensors (including sampling close to stations  
for calibration)

Samples from vegetation for VWC



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