

Agricultural Policy/Environmental eXtender



Recent Activities and Developments (2013-2017)

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Outline

Activities

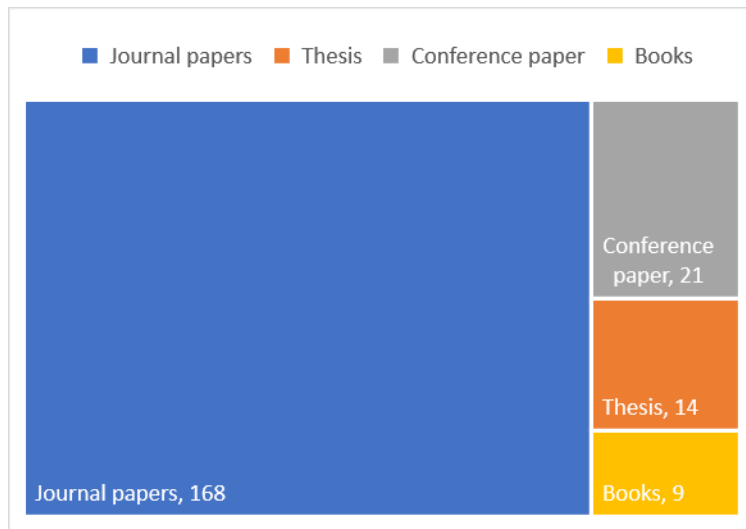
Bibliography (5 yrs)
Training workshop
User manuals
Supporting Tools

Research & Development

National Assessment of Conservation Practices
Bacteria fate and transport model
Preferential grazing model
Paddy/wetland simulation
Improved percolation simulation

APEX/EPIC Bibliography

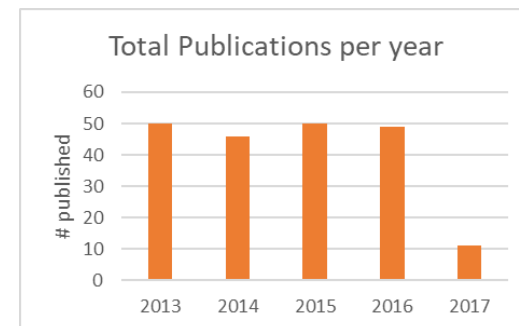
Search Period: 2013-2017



Google Scholar keyword searching

- Agricultural Policy Environmental Extender
- Environmental Policy Integrated Climate

Over 210 listings identified after manually inspected/filtered



APEX/EPIC Bibliography (2013-2017)

Frequency of articles by journal	# papers
Transactions of the ASABE	11
Journal of Environmental Quality	11
Journal of Soil and Water Conservation	7
Agricultural Systems	7
Environmental Modelling & Software	6
Ecological Modelling	5
Agricultural Water Management	4
Agriculture, Ecosystems & Environment	4
Climate Change Mitigation and Agriculture	3
GCB Bioenergy	3
Journal of Environmental Management	3
Journal of Integrative Agriculture	3
Natural hazards	3
Nature	3
Science of The Total Environment	3
Other journals	31

Types of study	
Climate change	38
Crop growth/production	30
Conservation practices	23
Model development/Integration	18
Cropland Hydrology/water availability	17
Water quality	16
Review	16
Bioenergy	15
Optimization/SA/DS	14
Phosphorus transport	11
Soil erosion	11
Soil organic carbon	11
Crop Insurance/Economical Analysis	10
Nitrogen fate/transport	10
GHG	7
Other topics	43

Training workshops

- Upcoming workshops

- July 17-21, 2017, Sardinia, Italy
- November, 2017, Universidade Federal de Mato Grosso, Brazil
- January, 2018, India

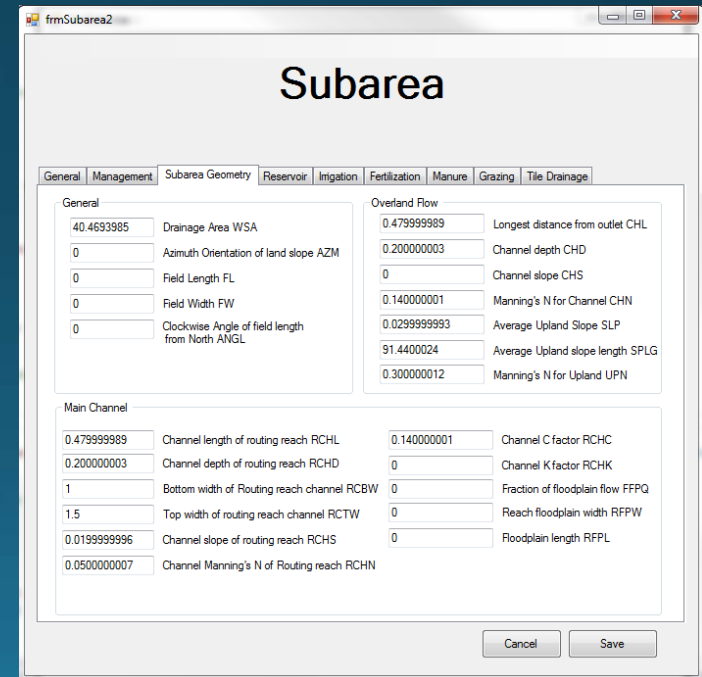
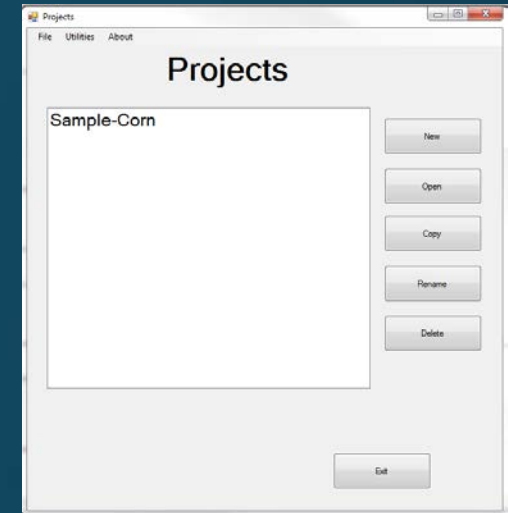
- Past workshops (20+)

- Quito, Ecuador – May 1-5, 2017
- Temple, TX – April 18-20, 2017
- Dar es Salaam, Tanzania – January 23-27, 2017
- Jeonju, South Korea – October 5-7, 2016
- Temple, TX – September 7-9, 2016
- Changsha, China – August 2-3, 2016
- Lincoln, NE – April 12-14, 2016
- Temple, TX – January 26-28, 2016
- Accra, Ghana – February 1-5, 2016
- Addis Ababa, Ethiopia – February 8-12, 2016
- Purdue University, October 2015
- Morogoro, Tanzania, July 2015
- Sardinia, Italy, June 2015
- Beltsville, MD, May 2015
- Bahir Dar, Ethiopia, February 2015
- Quito, Ecuador, 2013
- Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 2013
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Supporting Tools

- WinAPEX development for .NET framework (by 2017)
- ArcAPEX for APEX1501 now supports ArcGIS 10.3
- APEX-CUTE 4.3
 - Calibration
 - Sensitivity Analysis
- APEX-EDITOR
 - Edit input files



New WinAPEX Windows

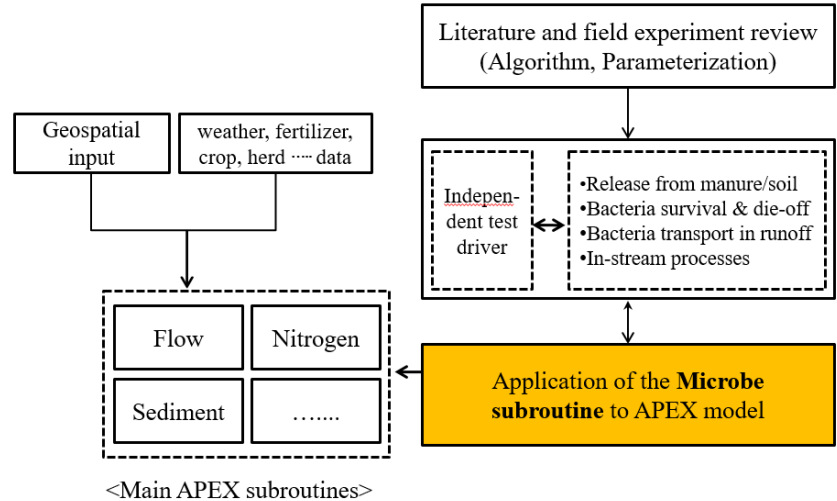
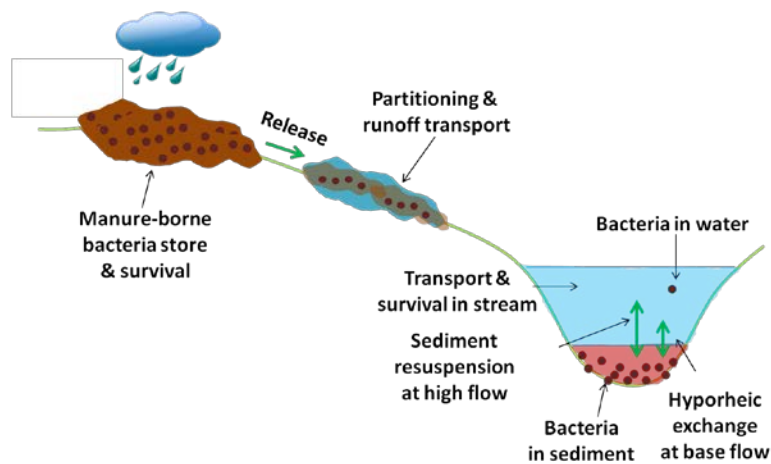
APEX/EPIC Developments

1. APEX Bacteria model
2. Preferential grazing
3. APEX Paddy model
4. Soil moisture simulation

1. APEX-Bacteria model

Hong et al. (submitted)

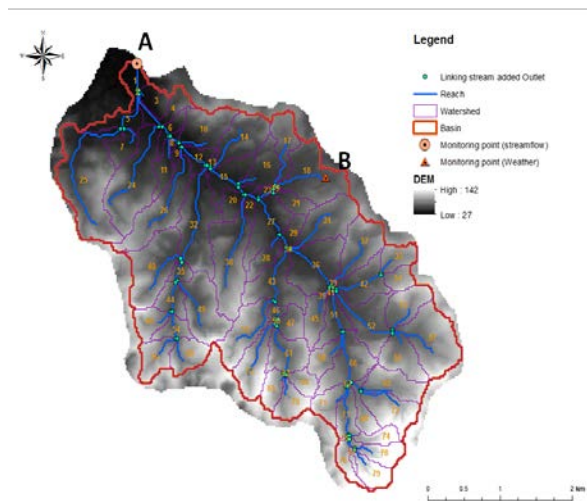
Microbial fate and transport module



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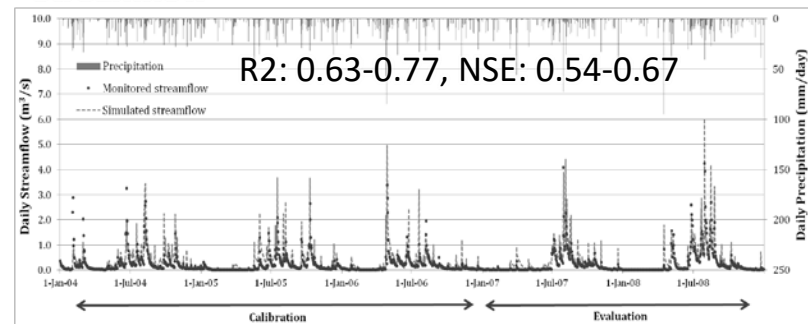
1. APEX-Bacteria model

Tonepi watershed Study

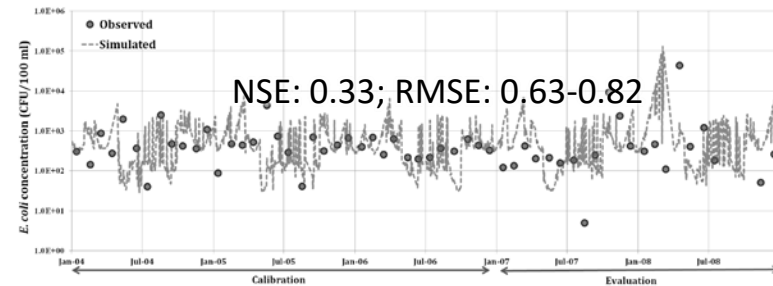


Area: 1,538 ha
Rainfall: 1,306 mm
Landuse: pasture with intensive grazing all year round

Streamflow



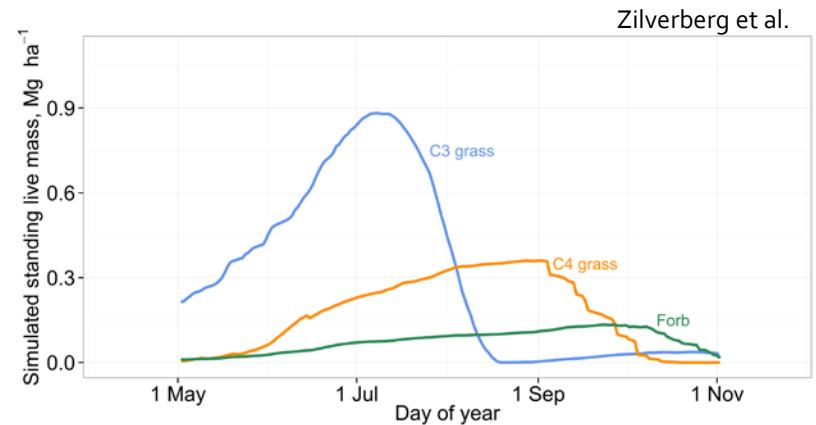
E. Coli concentration



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2. APEX preferential grazing

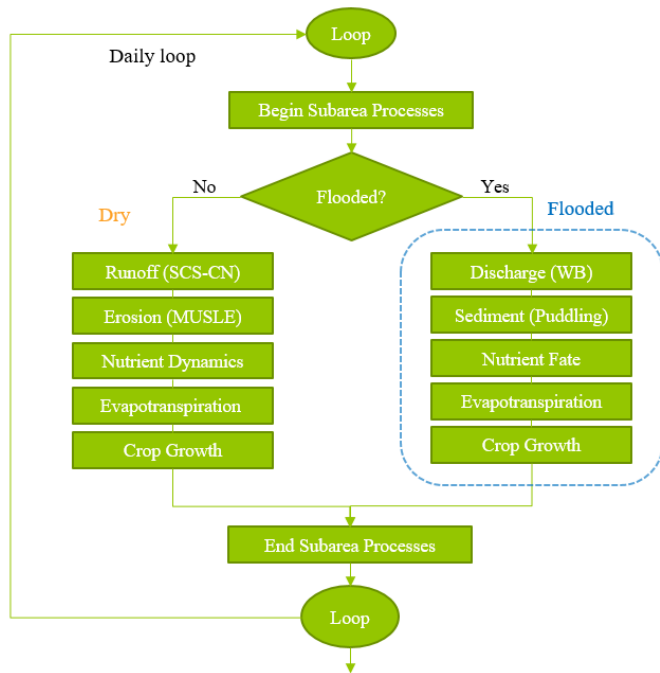
- **PHYtomass GROWth Model**
- Characterizes complex grazing systems and herbivories
- Preferential grazing between different plants
- Multiple herds in a subarea to graze
- This version is available in APEX 1605



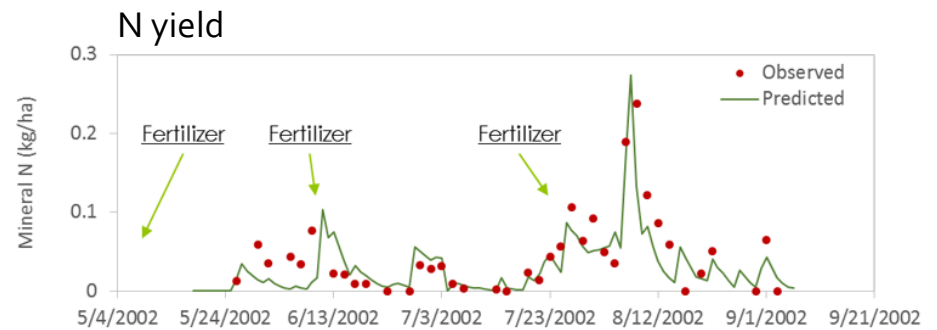
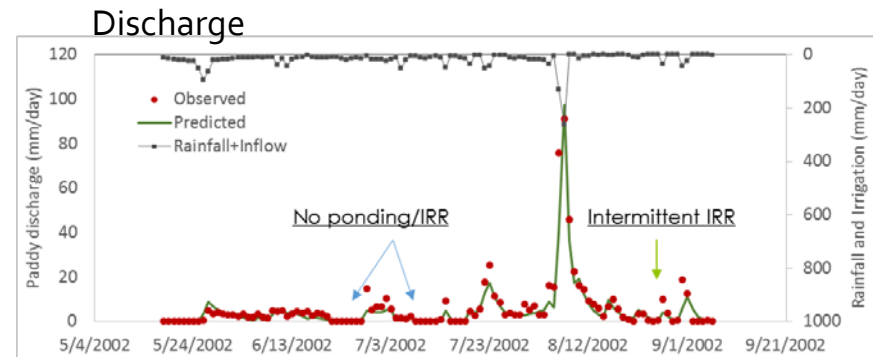
- Standing live mass was predominantly C3 grass from May until ~1 Aug.
- C3 mass peaked in early July
- C3 grass had a small increase in mass in autumn
- C4 peaked ~ 1 Sept.

3. APEX-paddy model

Choi et al. (submitted)



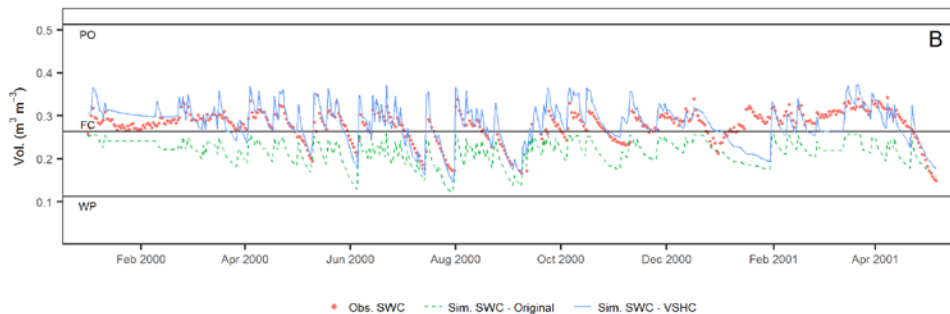
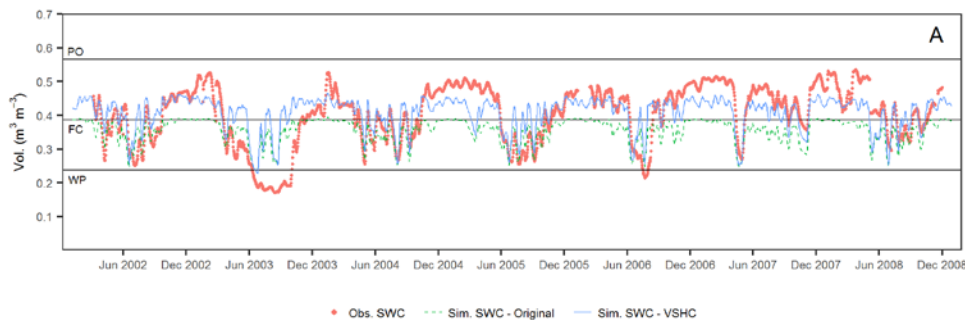
APEX-Paddy Algorithm



4. Dynamic soil moisture simulation

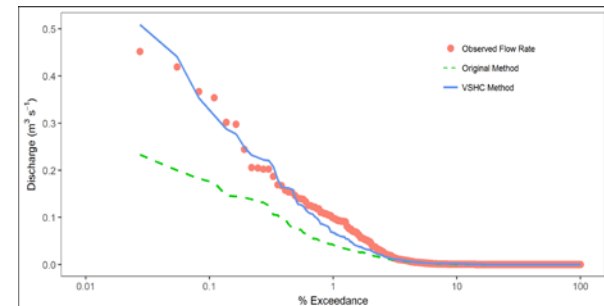
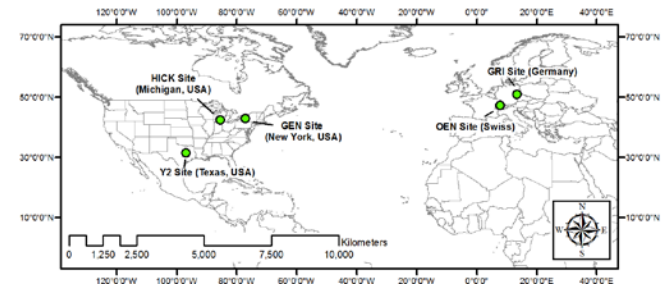
Doro et al. (submitted)

$$K_{eff} = HC \times \left[\frac{ST - FC}{PO - FC} \right]^\epsilon$$



Daily soil moisture content at the OEN site

Study sites



High flows improved significantly in the Y2 watershed

Future plan (5 yrs)

- Soil temperature
- Soil chemistry (reactive transport of metal ions)
- APEX-MODFLOW
- Lateral overland flow routing
- AERO wind erosion
- Southern Oscillation Index for WXGEN
- QGIS Integration
- Pest dynamics & pesticide modules

Summary

- EPIC and APEX modeling community is growing
- Most applications are on climate change effects, food production, and conservation practices
- Spatial scale varies from field scale to continental scale with model integrations and the incorporation of GIS
- New subroutines are continuing to be developed for simulating new processes, managements, and systems
- Model developers at Texas A&M are committed to support the growing APEX/EPIC model community