



Contrasting climate change effects on dairy cattle through Machine Learning approach

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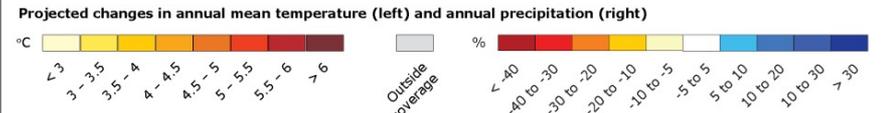
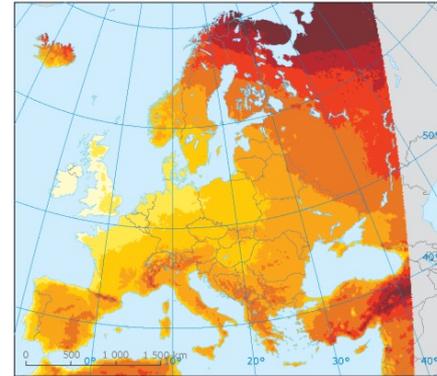
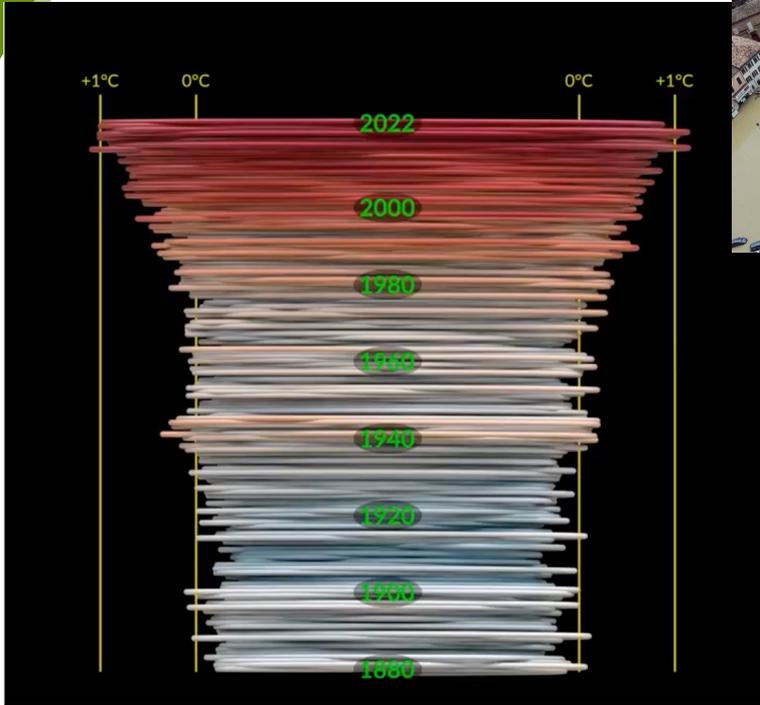
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Climate is changing!



Great Video by [NASA - National Aeronautics and Space Administration](#) showing the increase in global temperatures from 1880 - 2022 in degree Celsius. Whites and blues indicate cooler temperatures, oranges and reds show warmer temperatures. What becomes shockingly clear: global temperatures have increased from mainly human activities as time has passed.

Changing expected for 2071-2100 period, in comparison with 1971-2000. Source: EEA

Impacts



Cyanotic tongue.



Inflammation of the muzzle and salivation.



Modelling the impact of climate change

Workflow



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Historical
data



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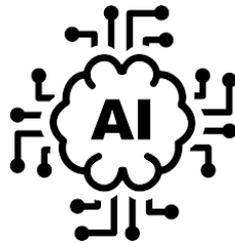
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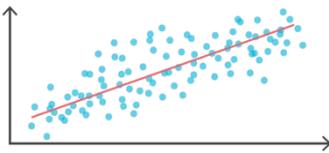
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Historical data



→ $Y = a + bX$



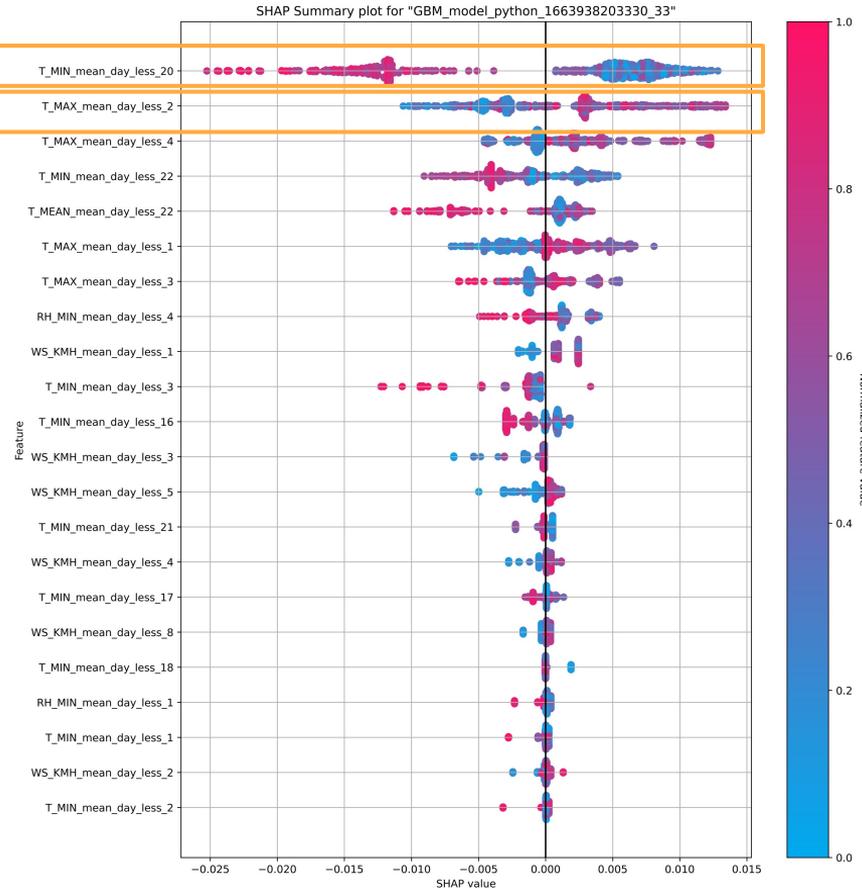
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Spoiler alert!

Minimum Temperature -20d

Maximum Temperature -2d

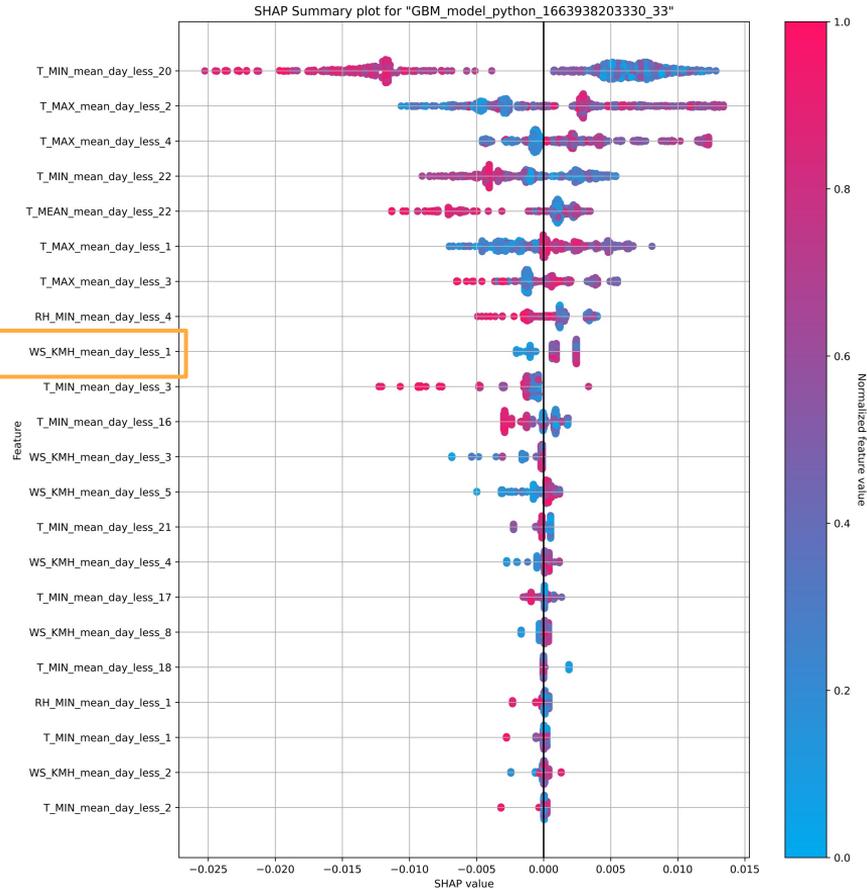


Long and short terms effects!

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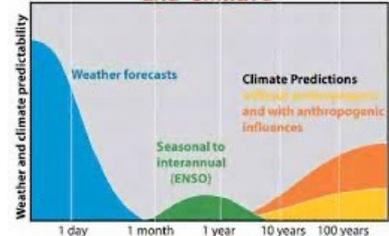
Not only temperature or humidity!

Average Wind Speed -1d



Application of prediction model

Material and methods



Weather forecasting

- Short term prediction
- Few days in the future



COSMO-2I

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Sub-seasonal forecast

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Long term projection

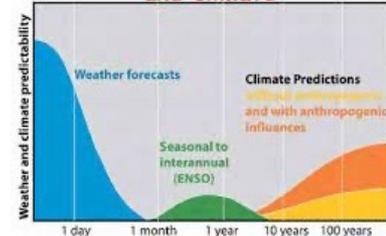
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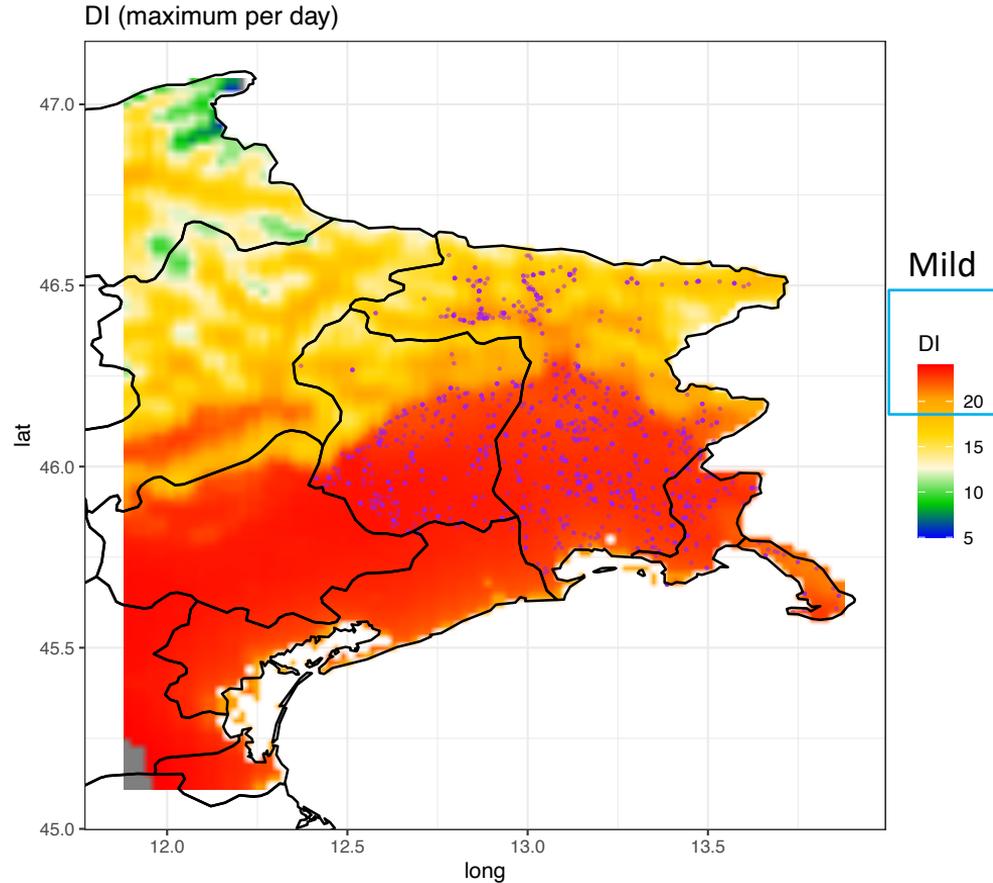
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Past (1989-2018) VS future (2021-2050)
Warm (April-May) VS hot (July-August)

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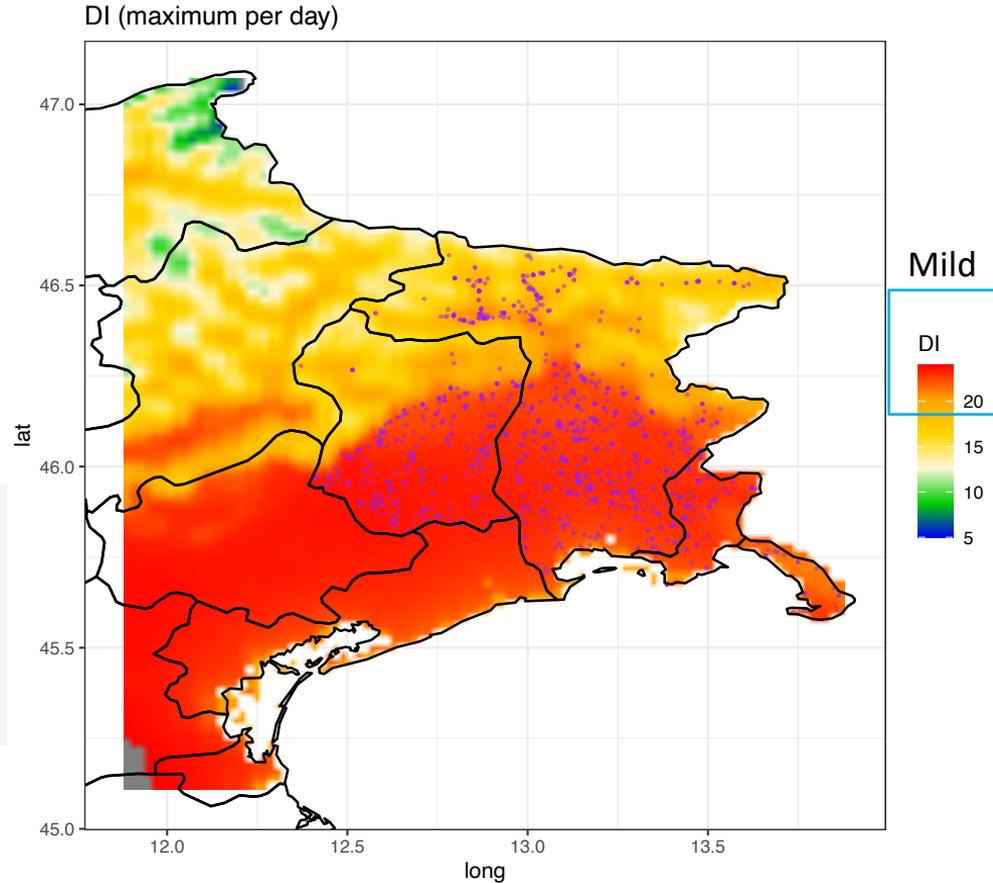
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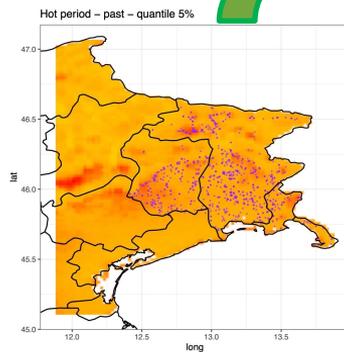
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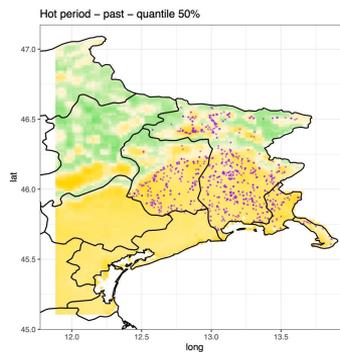


Milk yield

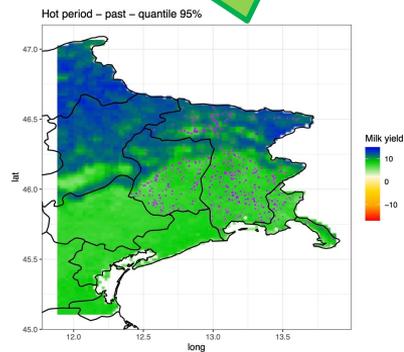
- Historical & projection in the hot period



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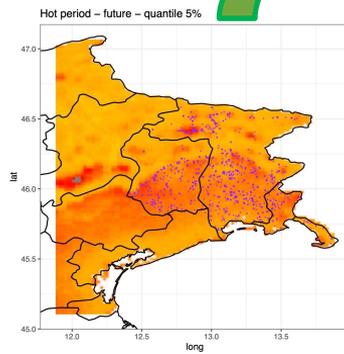


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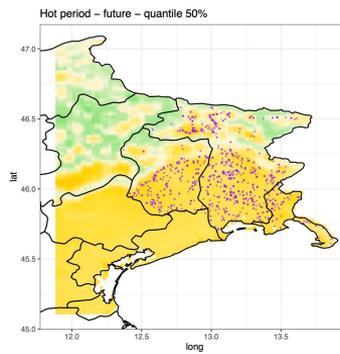


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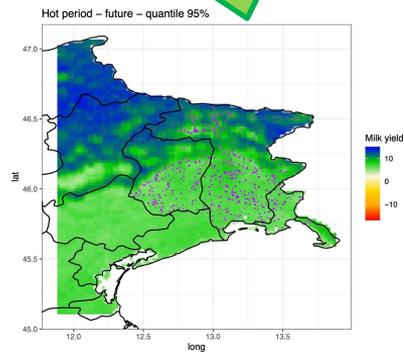
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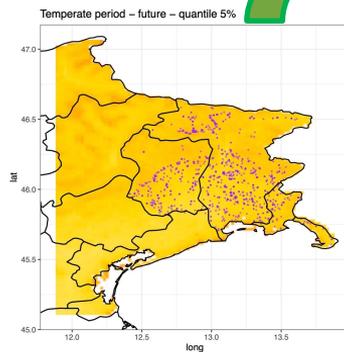


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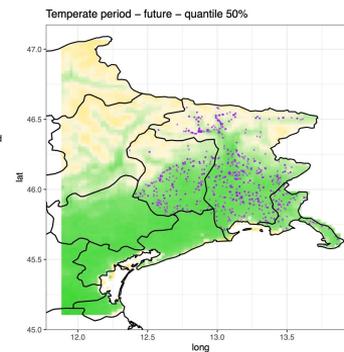
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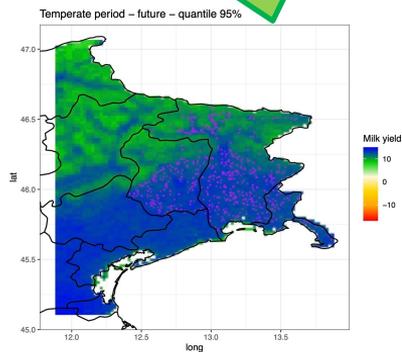
- Temperate & hot in the future



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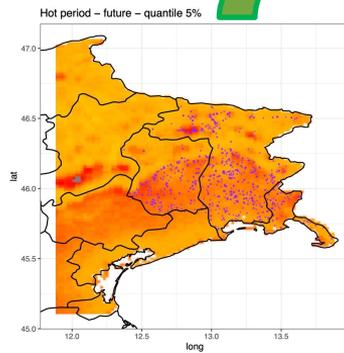


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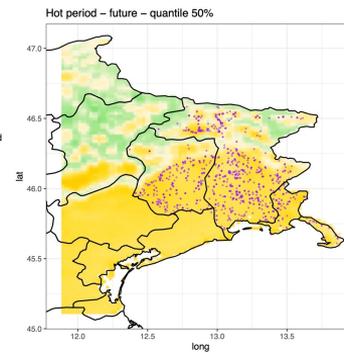


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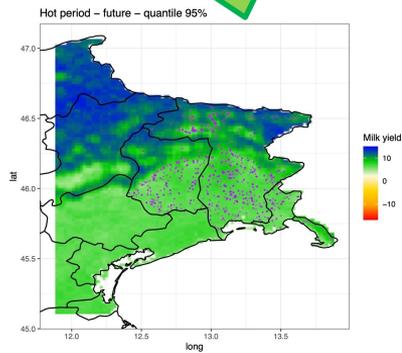
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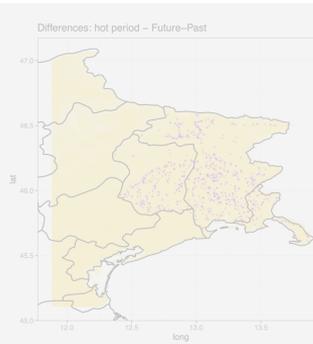
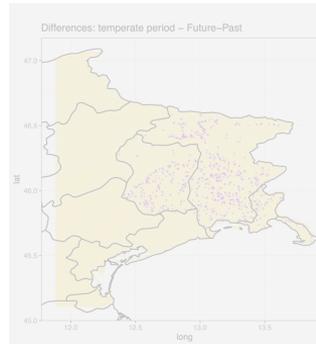
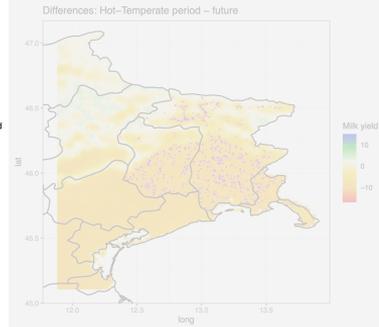
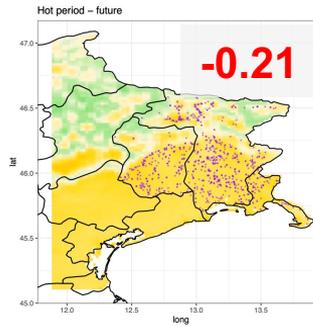
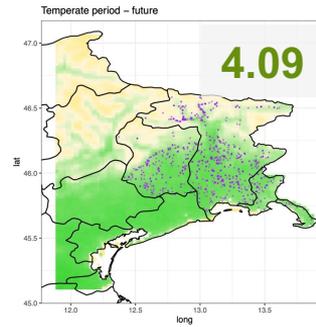
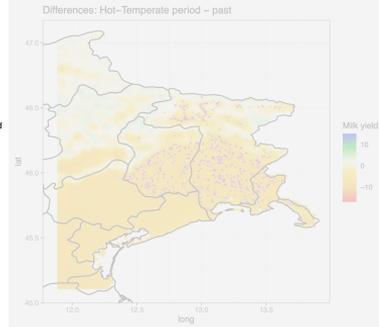
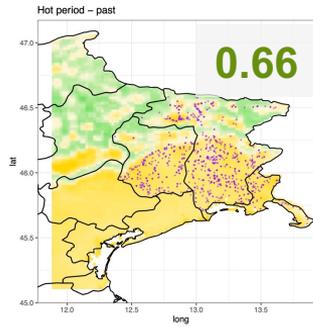
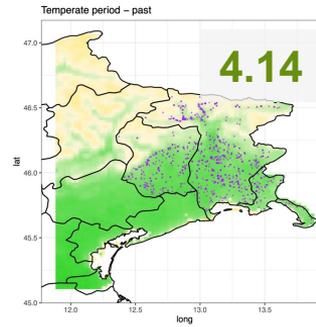


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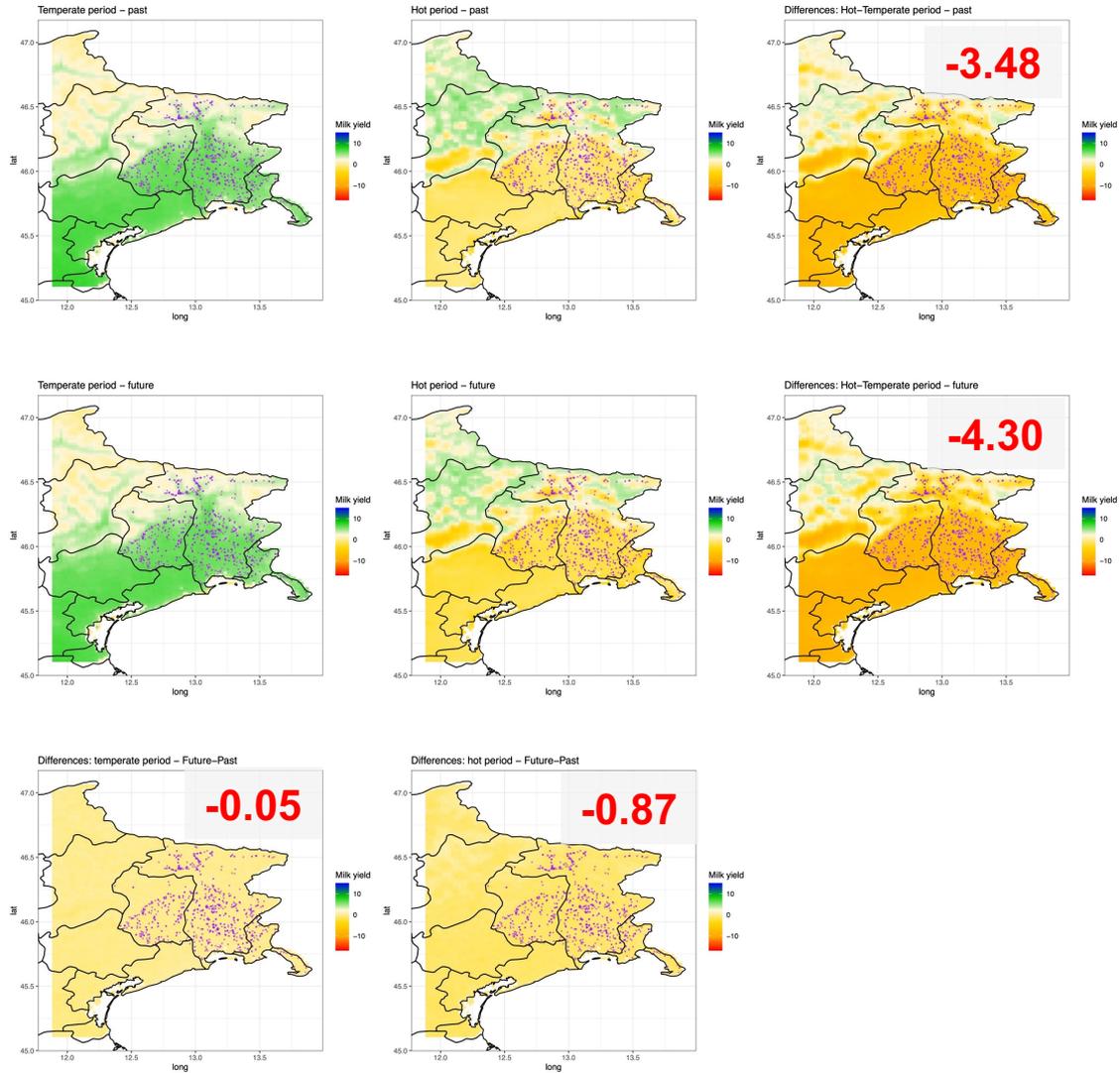
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Next steps

Decision Supporting System

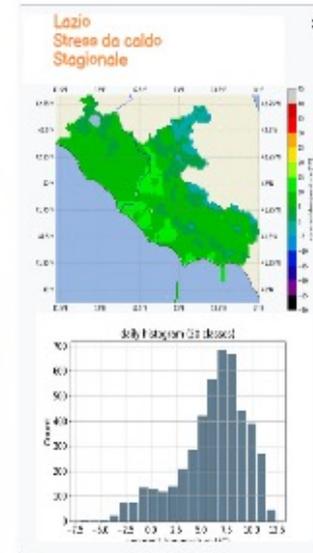
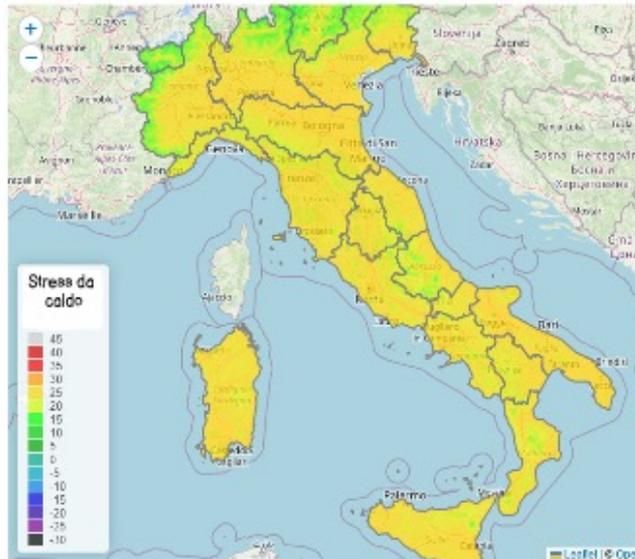


Mappe di rischio di stress da caldo a breve (2gg) e medio termine

Razza da latte
Moka ▾

Area
Regione ▾

Periodo
Prossimi 2 giorni ▾
Prossima stagione



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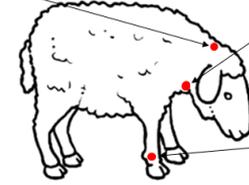
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IoT system and edge computing



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- **Air temperature and humidity**

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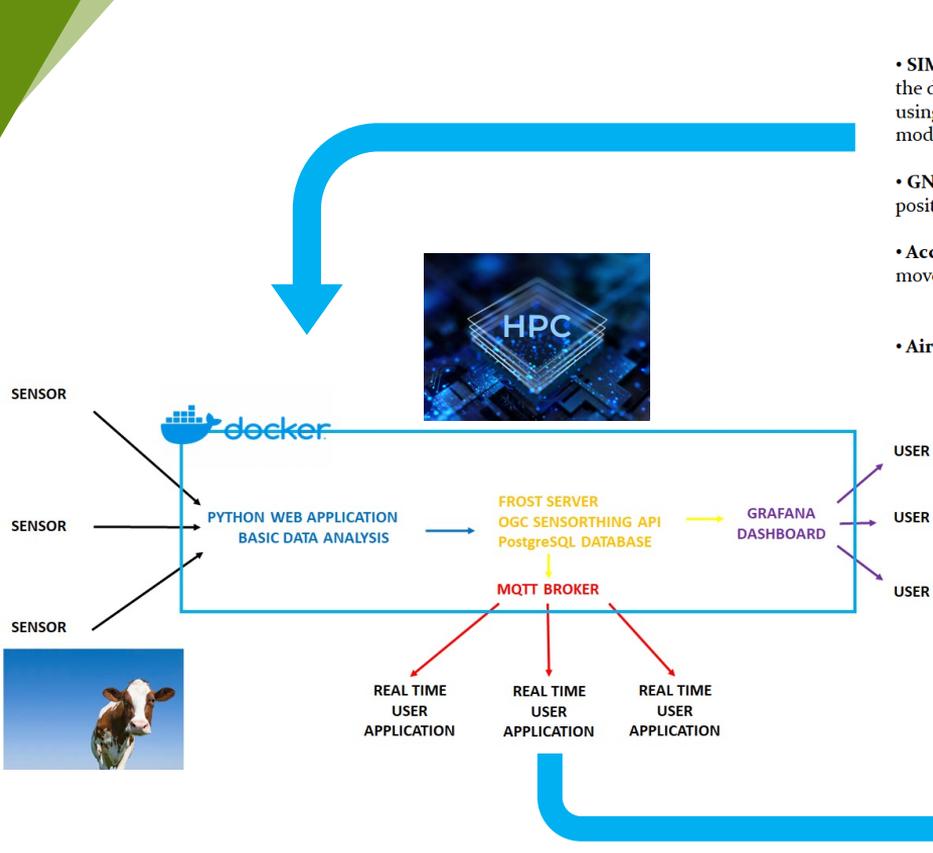
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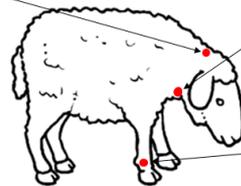


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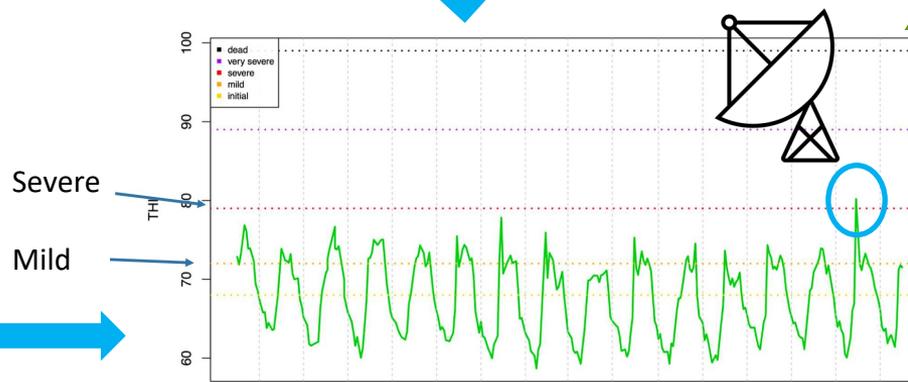


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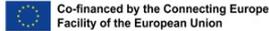
- Machine Learning pipeline to evaluate climate change short and long term effect on livestock production
- System to support farmers management and also breeder associations and policy makers, in particular for long term decisions
- Creating the bases for real-time warnings (DSS)

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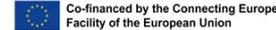
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