

Melhorar o sucesso da reflorestação em zonas semiáridas: adaptação ao cenário de alterações climáticas

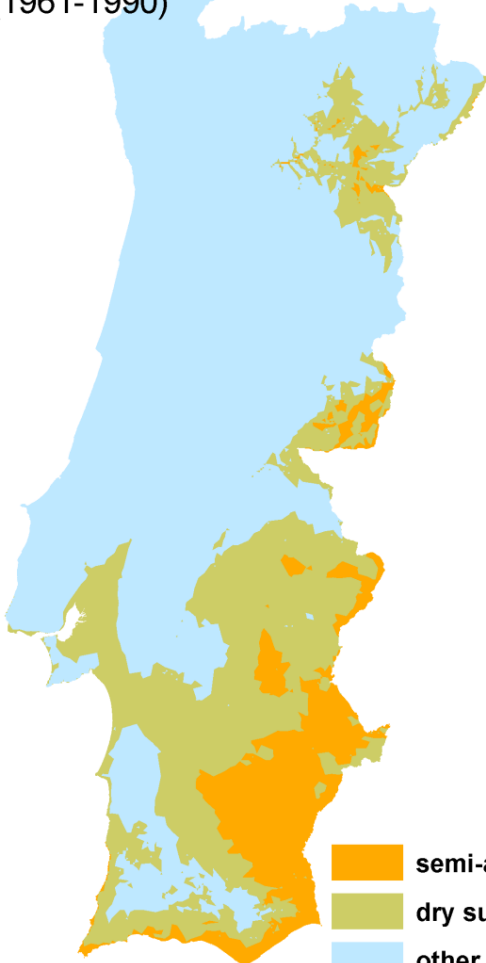
Improve the success of reforestation in semi-arid areas:
adaptation to climate change scenario

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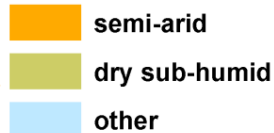
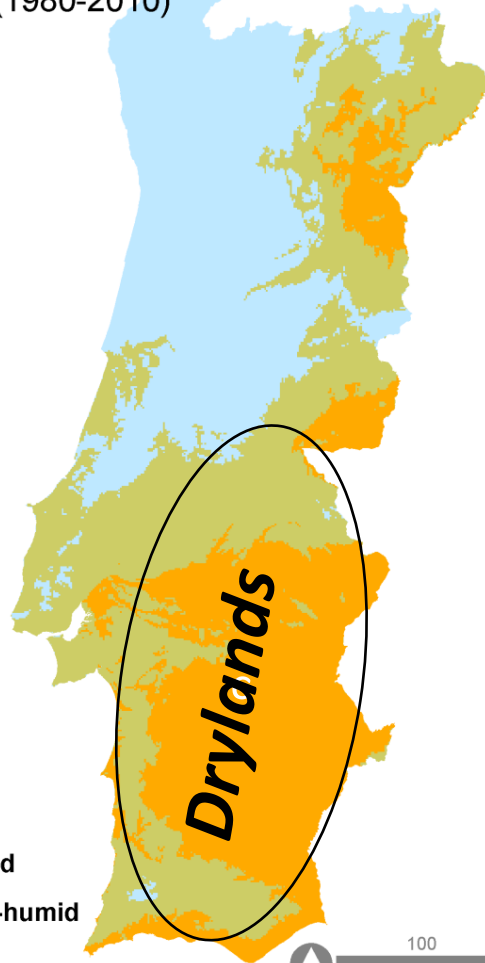
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The Drylands in Portugal

historical aridity
(1961-1990)



current aridity
(1980-2010)



Aridity Index
ICNF



Climate Change scenario:

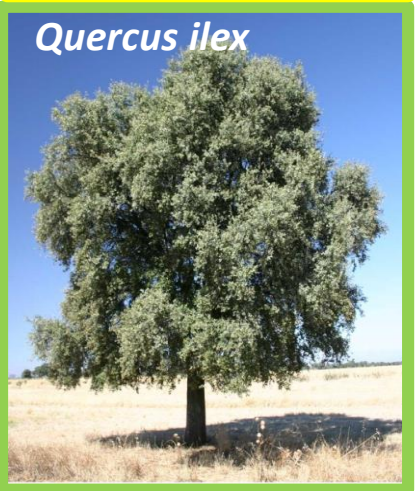
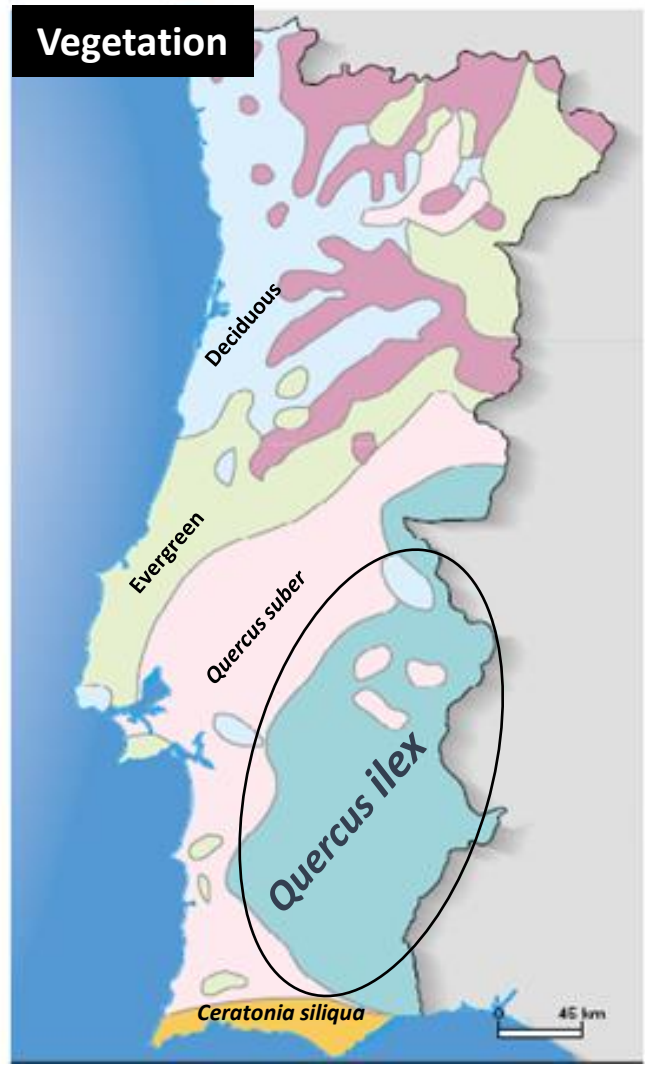
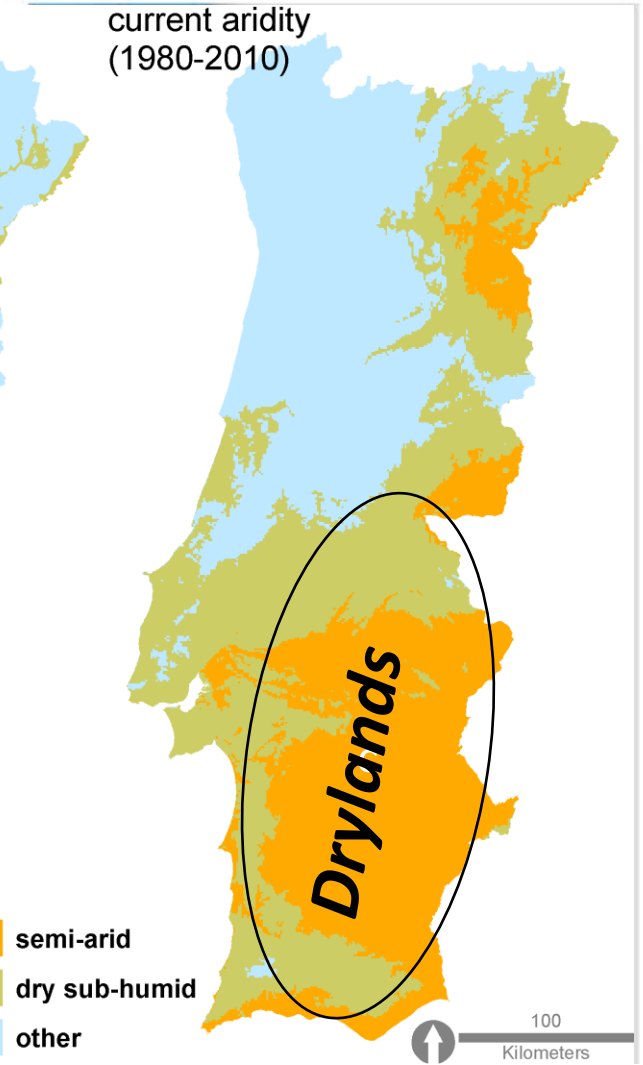
The region with a semiarid climate expanded to all the region of the Alentejo, which will be strongly affected in the future.

In Portugal the scenarios of climate change predict a rise in temperature and in droughts with a decrease in productivity.

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In drylands ecosystem functionality is restricted to few species

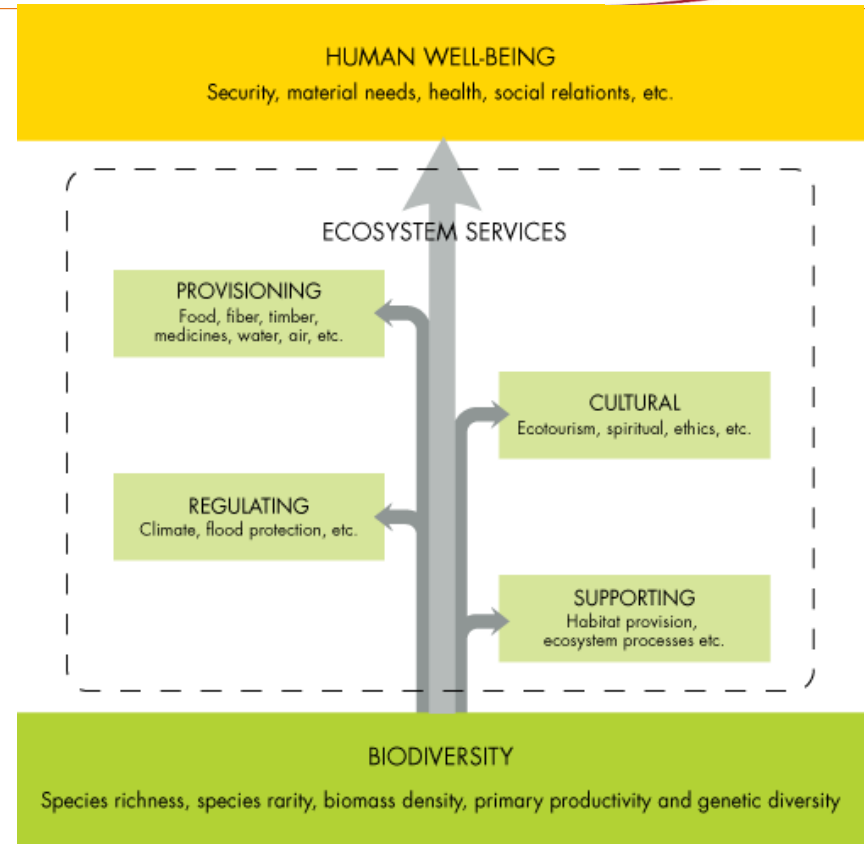
Tree Key Species



Growth of the native forest increases resilience and the ecosystem services through:

- the soil organic matter
- carbon and nitrogen
- biodiversity
- water infiltration
- decreases susceptibility to desertification

Reforestation in the Alentejo with the native species holm oak and cork oak has a low rate of success.



Main Objective of *AdaptForChange* is to:

“Improve the success of reforestation in semi-arid areas and promote adaptation to climate change scenario”.

Intends to promote the adaptation of the forestry sector to climate change while reducing the cost associated with reforestations.

Team

1 – FFCUL - Fundação da Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa:

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2 - ADPM - Associação em Defesa do Património de Mértola, Mértola, Portugal.



3 - FCSH UNL - Faculdade de Ciências ~Sociais e Humanas da Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisboa, Portugal.



4- cChange – Private company expert in climate change, Norway.

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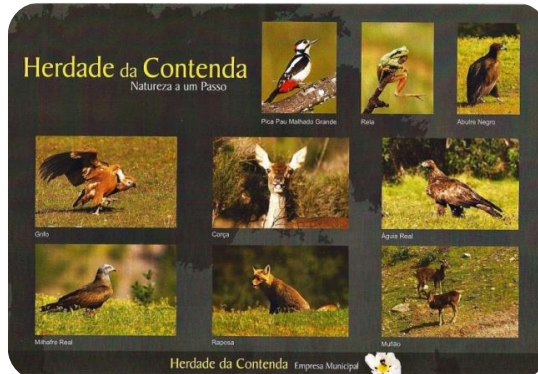
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Case-study



Moura, Beja
5,270 ha



Intensive wheat Campaigns
Cut of the tree stratum
During 1929-1949



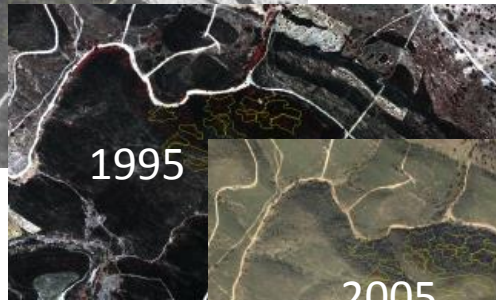
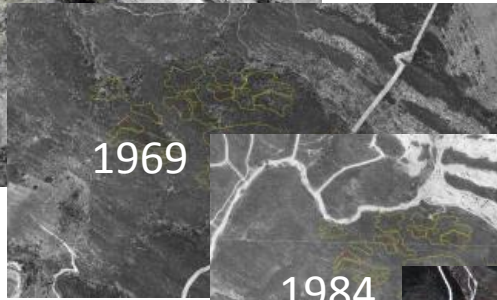
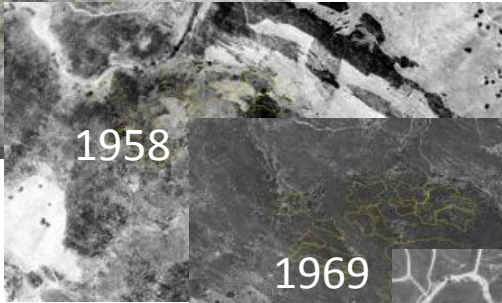
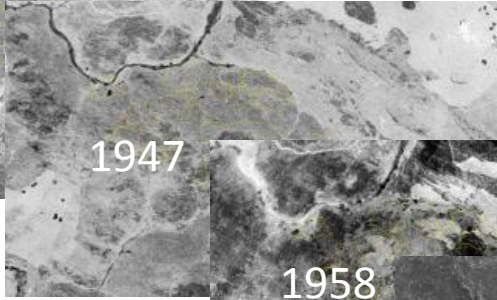
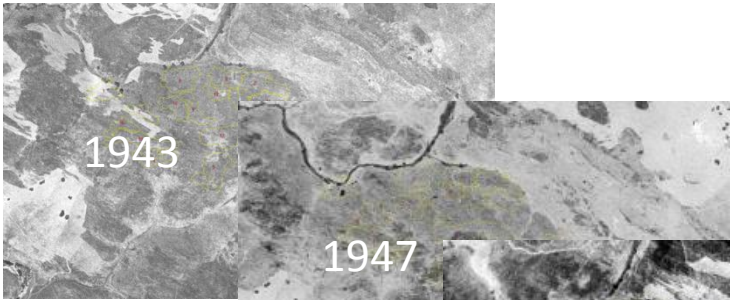
Reforestation



Why this area?

- It is a dryland.
- It has *Quercus ilex* woodlands
- > 50 years with natural regeneration
- It is a LTER Site (Long Term Ecological Research >30 years)
- There are historical information about the management

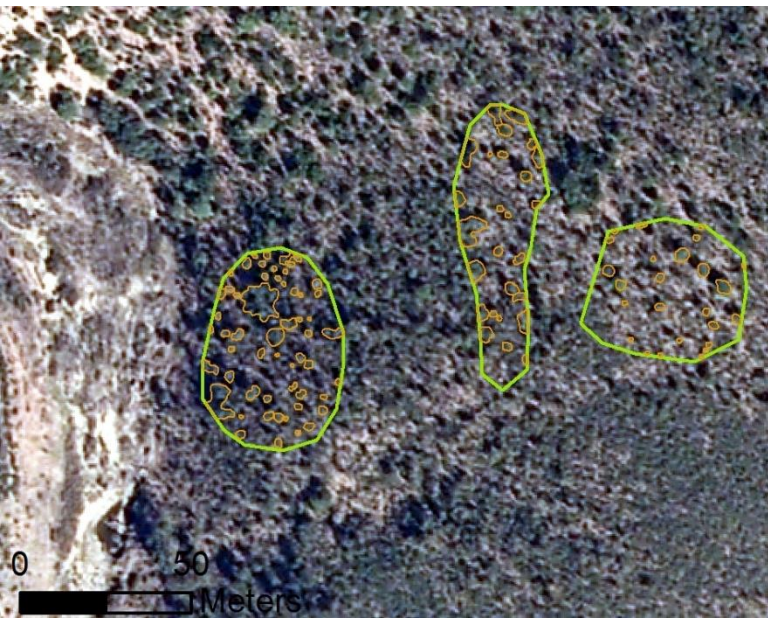
What's New? – The long-term monitoring



We have a time series of 67 years



... through photointerpretation ...

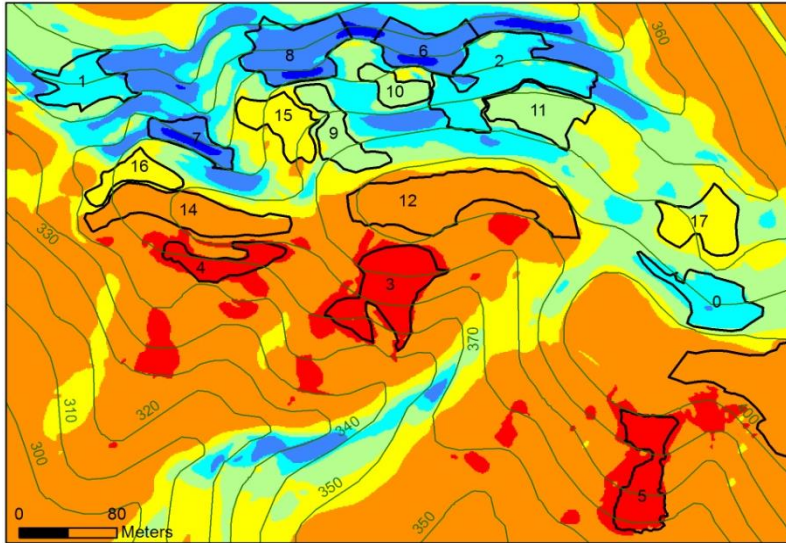


...we estimated the percentage of Holm oak cover along the microclimatic gradient after agricultural abandonment.

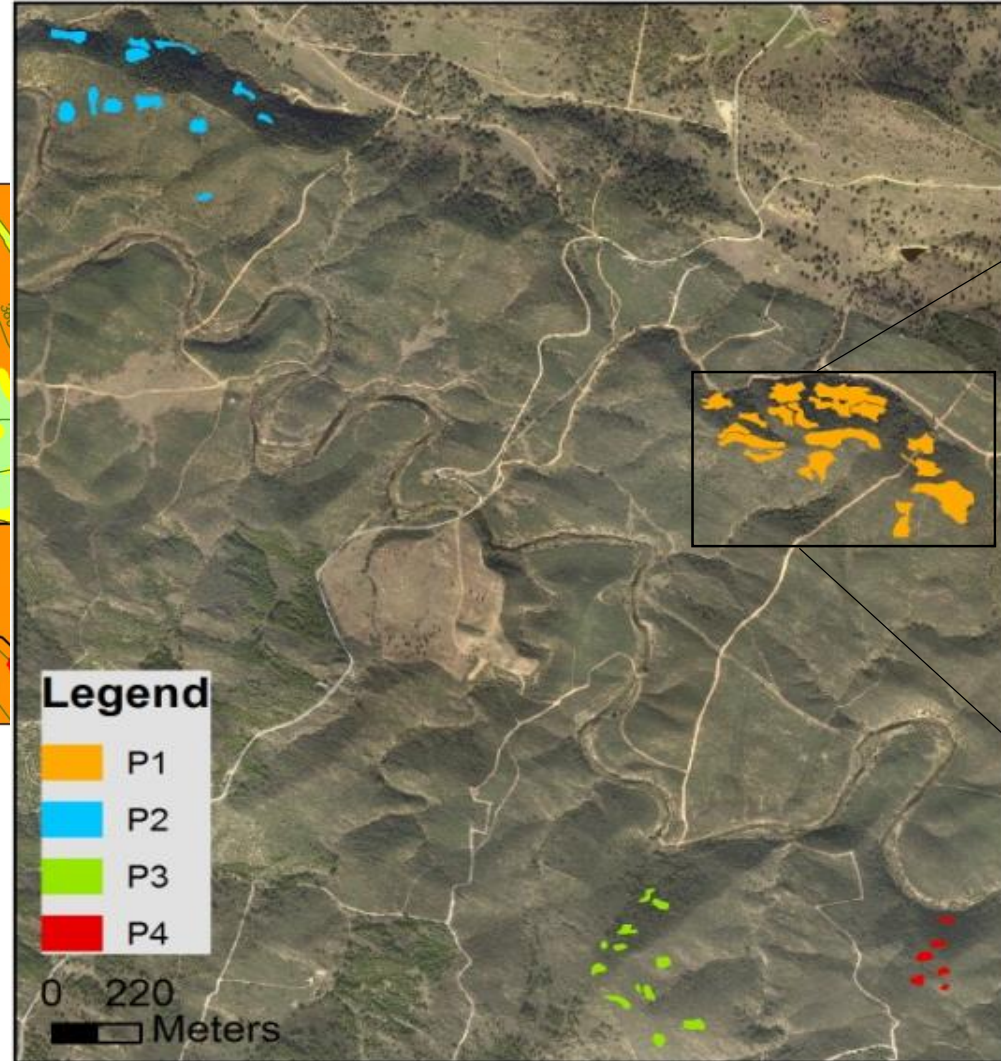
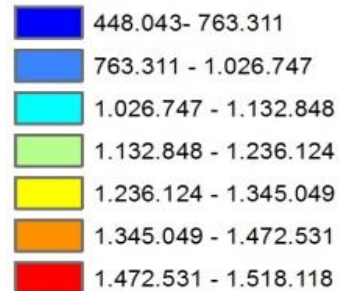
What's New? – The Use of PSR



Potential Solar Radiation PSR average of 2011



PSR classes (kW/m²)



Legend



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Meters

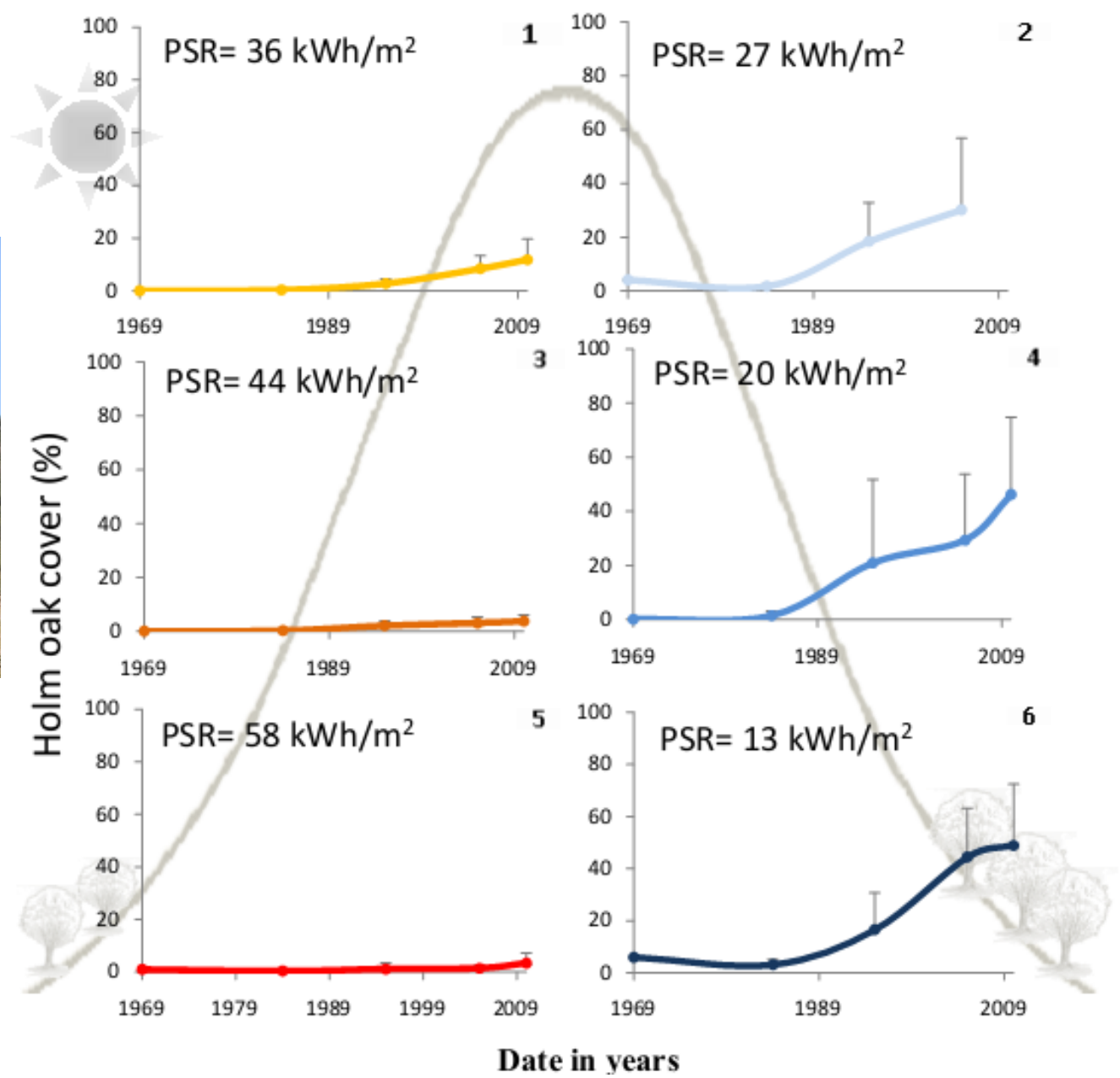
Our sampling design had 4 different sites. At each one we covered as much as possible the 6 classes of PSR resulting in a total of 48 polygons. Which were observed over time.

Rate of Natural Regeneration of Quercus Ilex at Herdade da Contenda, limited by microclimate

South



North



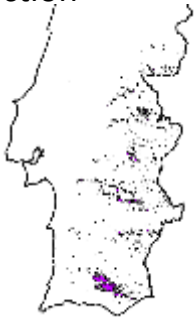
Date in years

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Location of holm oak natural regeneration areas

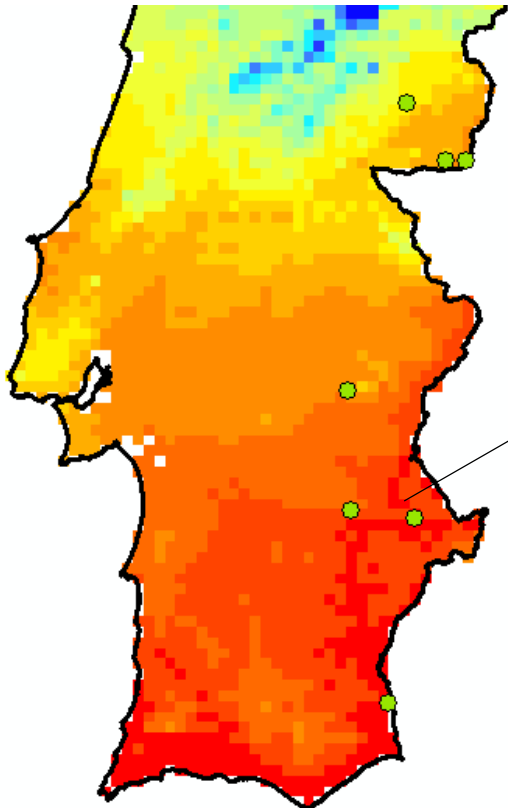
3 methodologies for holm oak regeneration points selection

IFN (Inventário Florestal Nacional) – 1995 and 2006

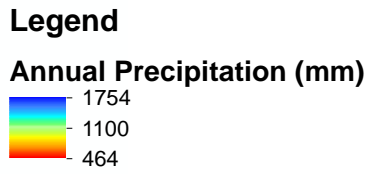
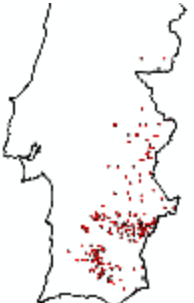


holm oak regeneration points distributed through anual precipitation gradient

COS (Carta de Ocupação do Solo) - 1990 and 2007



NDVI - 1999 and 2014



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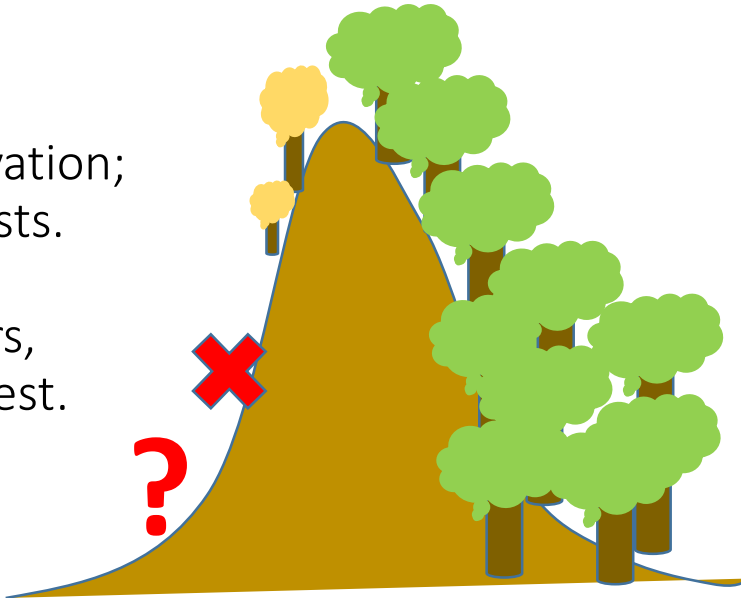
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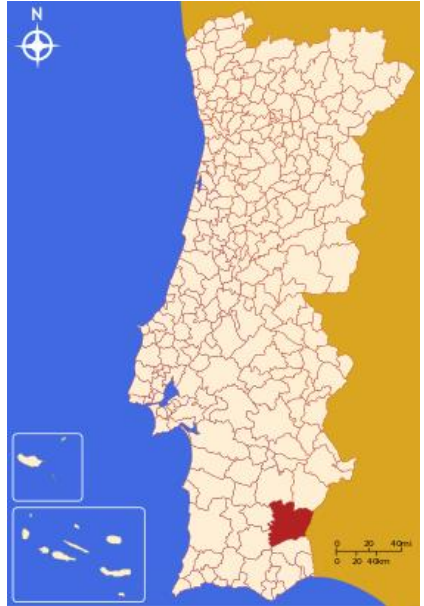
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We are preparing an App for visualization of the model results;



WP5 & WP2 - Creating a common vision and a strategic plan for climate change adaptation of forests

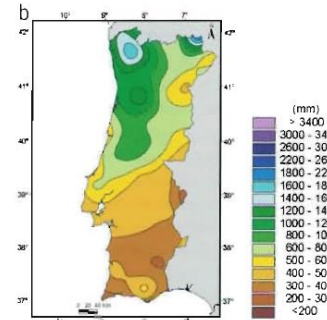
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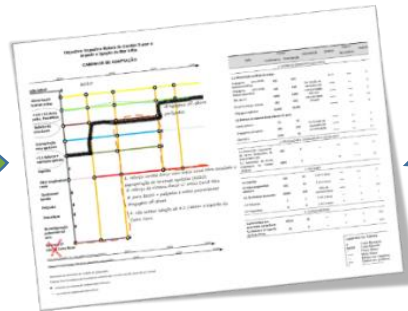
Meeting and involving stakeholders

Compiling knowledge

Creating a vision for the future



SWAP – Scenario Workshop & Adaptation Pathways







Planning with tipping points

Plan in sub zones

Placing the vision on the map

Modelling Climate Scenarios for Pilot Area: Mértola

| Variável climática | Sumário | Alterações projetadas |
|-------------------------------|--|---|
| less rain |  <p>Diminuição da precipitação média anual, com potencial aumento da precipitação no inverno.</p> | <p>Média anual Diminuição da precipitação média anual, sendo mais significativa no final do séc. XXI (até -40%).</p> <p>Precipitação sazonal Mais precipitação nos meses de inverno (até +7%) e uma diminuição no resto do ano, em especial na primavera (até -54%).</p> <p>Secas mais frequentes e intensas Diminuição significativa do número de dias com precipitação, até 12 dias por ano, aumentando a frequência e intensidade das secas.</p> |
| increased temperature |  <p>Aumento da temperatura média anual, em especial das máximas</p> | <p>Média anual e sazonal Subida da temperatura média anual, entre 2°C e 5°C. Aumento significativo das temperaturas máximas na primavera e verão (até 6°C)</p> <p>Dias muito quentes Aumento do número de dias com temperaturas muito altas (> 35°C), e de noites tropicais, com temperaturas mínimas >20°C.</p> <p>Ondas de calor Ondas de calor mais frequentes e intensas. Maior ocorrência de incêndios, devido à conjugação de seca e temperaturas mais elevadas.</p> |
| less frost days |  <p>Diminuição do número de dias de geada</p> | <p>Dias de geada Diminuição significativa do número de dias de geada, gradualmente até ao final do século, chegando a 6 vezes menos do que no clima atual.</p> <p>Média da temperatura mínima Aumento da temperatura mínima até 3°C no Inverno, sendo maior (até 5°C) na primavera, verão e outono.</p> |
| increase of extreme phenomena |  <p>Aumento dos fenómenos extremos</p> | <p>Fenómenos extremos Aumento dos fenómenos extremos, em particular de precipitação intensa ou muito intensa em períodos de tempo curtos. Tempestades de inverno mais intensas, acompanhadas de chuva e vento forte.</p> |

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WP3 – Sixty years of reforestations in the semiarid: lessons from the past to adapt

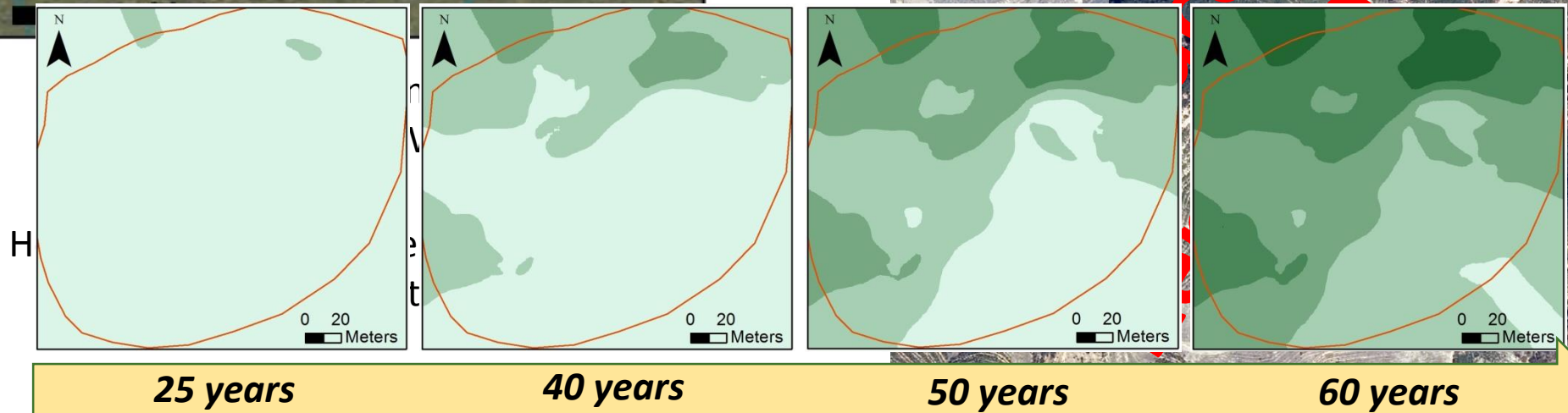
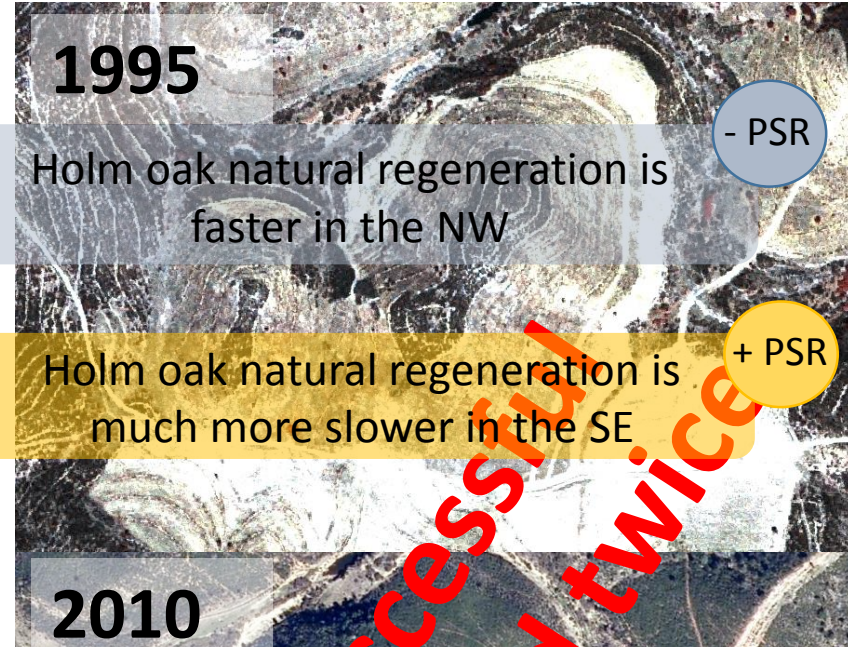
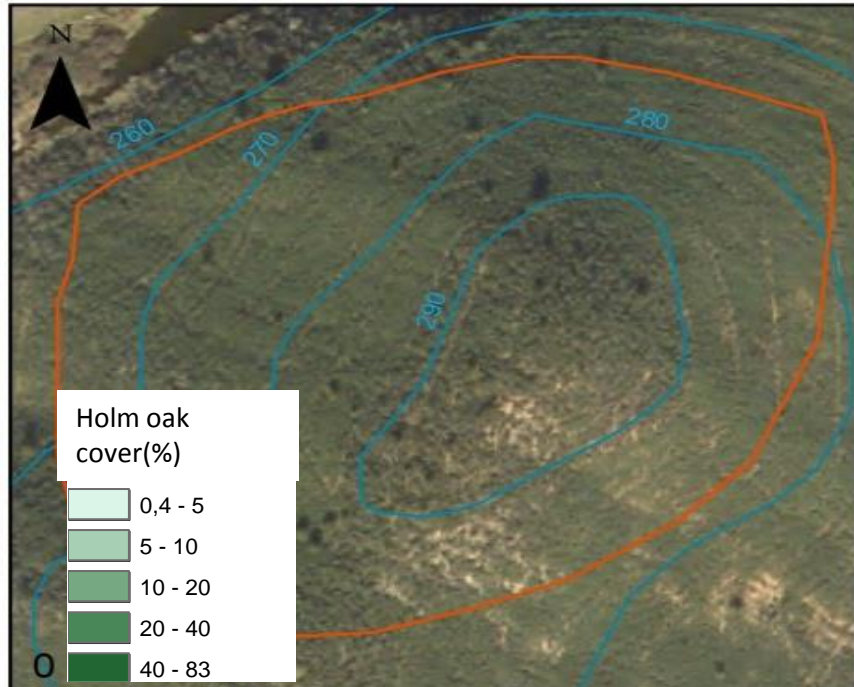
- Characterize and evaluate reforestation interventions performed in the semiarid region of Alentejo over the last 40-60 years (**different species, techniques, climate**)
- Identify successful practices
- Transfer the knowledge to areas currently affect by increased aridity and adapt reforestation practices to climate change scenarios

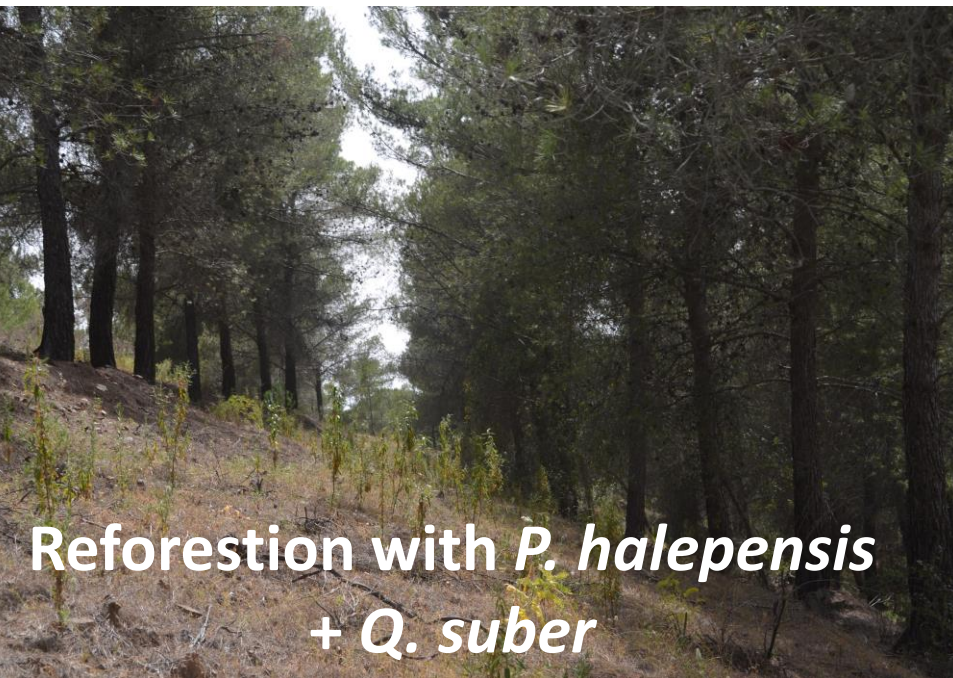
Reforestation efforts since agriculture abandonment in the 50`s-60`s



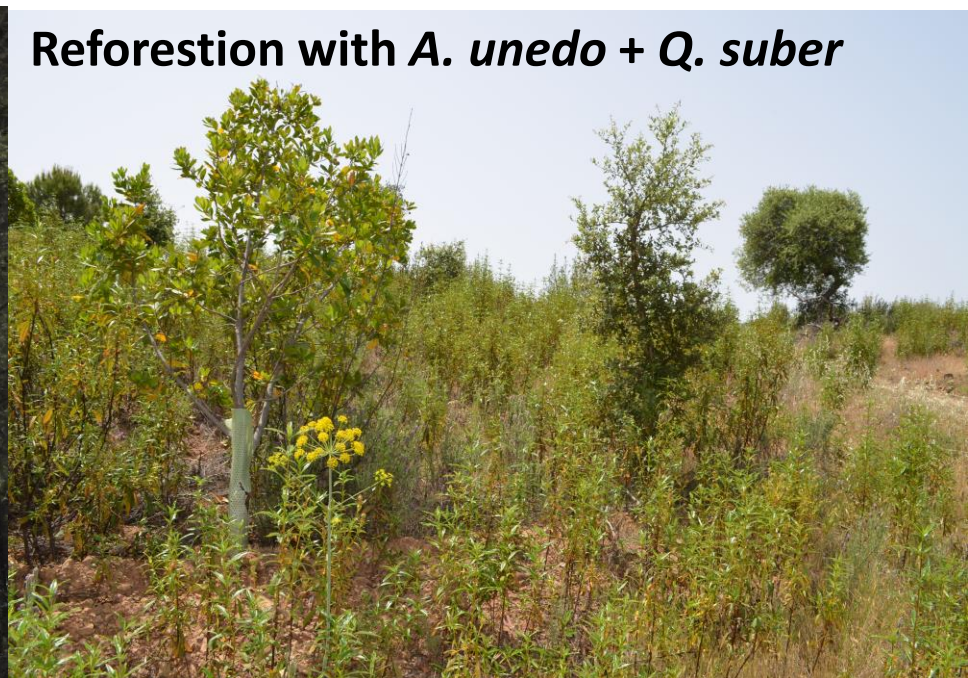
Validating the Model

The cost of this mistake was
28000€x2





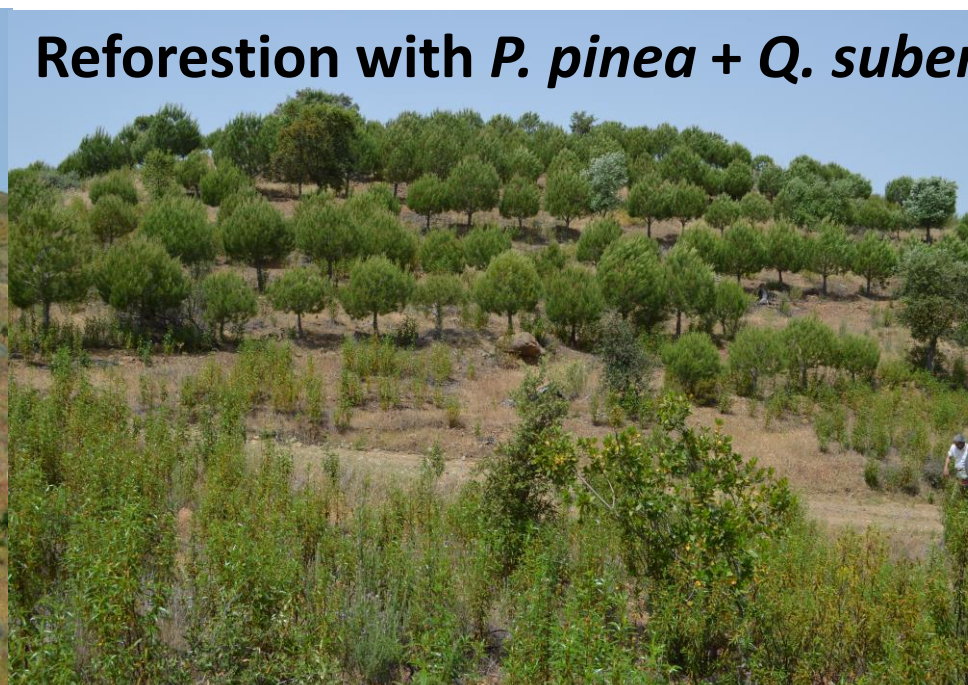
Reforestation with *P. halepensis*
+ *Q. suber*



Reforestation with *A. unedo* + *Q. suber*



Reforestation with *Q. suber*



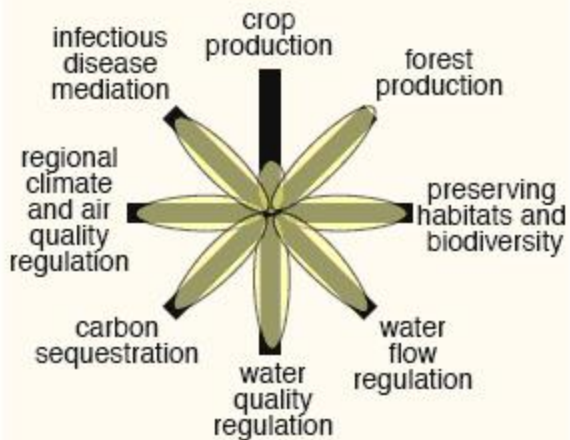
Reforestation with *P. pinea* + *Q. suber*

Ecosystem services

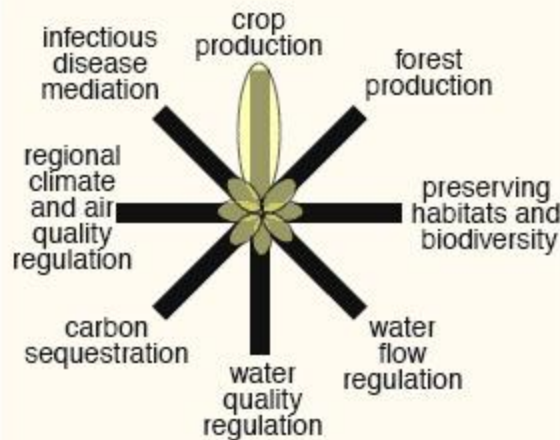


Ecosystem Services Evaluation

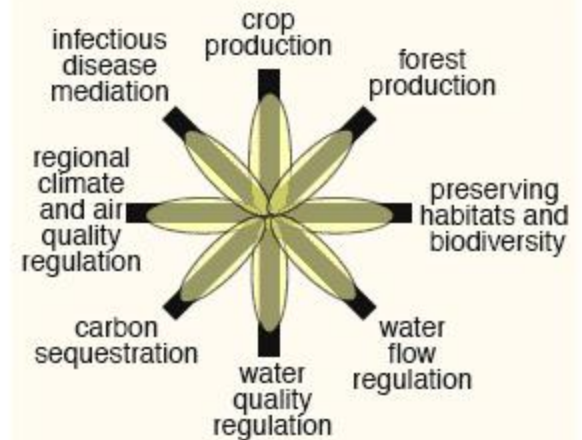
Reforested sites



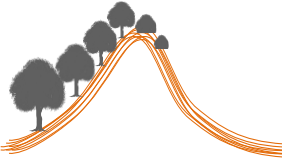
natural ecosystem



intensive cropland



cropland with restored ecosystem services



Reforestation success indicators

| Type | Restoration success indicator | Method |
|--------------------------|--|---|
| Diversity | Woody plant species (species number and cover) | Field sampling |
| | Herbaceous plant species | Seed bank collection to germinate in greenhouse; field sampling in Spring? |
| | Lichen | Field sampling |
| | Other organisms under consideration | |
| Structural | Total plant cover | Field sampling |
| | Woody plant density, dimensions (height, DAP), biomass | Field sampling |
| | Total biomass and separated by perennial/annual components | Remote sensing (NDVI) and groundtruthing with sample collection in the field (g/m2) |
| | Rabbit latrines | Field sampling |
| Functional | Plant func diversity | Plant field sampling and database values |
| | Soil quality (physical, chemical and biological) | soil sampling for SOM, C, fungal biomass, decomposition potential; soil depth; indicators for infiltration rate and erosion |
| Economic and social (ES) | Economic income | Interview owners (pinion, cones, cork, wood, livestock, etc.) |
| | Social perception | Interviews |
| General characterization | Nearer water source, etc. | remote sensing |



Combining: Reference + Ecosystem functioning + Ecosystem services provision

WP4 – Best practices for water and soil conservation in the semiarid: improving sustainability and resilience

We will make a collection of the most sustainable and efficient methods of soil and water conservation in the semiarid. We will demonstrate these methods in the homesteaders of Monte do Vento and Vale Formoso, where for the past years many of these techniques are being implemented successfully.



FCSH UNL



Erosion plot with oaks plantation - Herdade Vale Formoso - Municipality of Mértola

WP 6-management, integration and dissemination

<http://echanges.fc.ul.pt/projetos/adaptforchange>



News & Events:



Participation at the International Workshop "SER's 6th World Conference on Ecological Restoration" Manchester, UK | 23-27 August 2015
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Participation at the International congress "4th Iberian ecological congress" Coimbra, Portugal | 16-19 June 2015
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Participation at the International Workshop "Biodiversidade e Serviços dos Ecossistemas: do seminário aos trabalhos" FCUL, Lisboa | June 8 2015
[program](#)



Participation at the International Congress "Global Challenges of Air Pollution and Climate Change to Forests" Nice, France | 1-5 June 2015
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AdaptForChange 2nd workshop "Ecosystem services in semiarid transboundary basins" FCUL, Lisboa | June 24 2015

Publications:

Nunes et al., 2015. *Identifying past good practices to adapt semiarid areas to the future.*
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C.1 Produtos do Projeto

Deliverable products of the Project

Nome do produto

Name of the Deliverable
(max. 50 caracteres)

1. Base de dados SIG modelo WP1
2. E-book manual de actividades alternativas wp2
3. Base de dados reflorestações WP3
4. E-book boas práticas de solo e água wp4
5. Criação de um site de internet WP6
6. E-book boas práticas de reflorestação wp3
7. Relatórios dos dois workshops WP5
8. Modelo de Regeneração websig WP1
9. Artigos científicos WP1 e WP3
10. Relatório do impacto das ações do projeto WP6
11. Videos dos seminários inicial e final WP6

1-International conventions:

This project covers the 3 main United Nations (UN) conventions.

2-EEA Grants and European Union

These institutions promote adaptation at a local level with the involvement of many levels of stakeholders as a way to generate wealth and overcome the effects of climate change.

3-National and Regional Public Administration may benefit from this project through:

- APA, sequester and improving the quality of the soil
- ICNF
- The protected areas of the region, such as the Natural Guadiana Valley Park,
- The regional institutes of environment and agriculture

4-Public local administration.

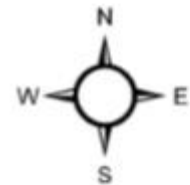
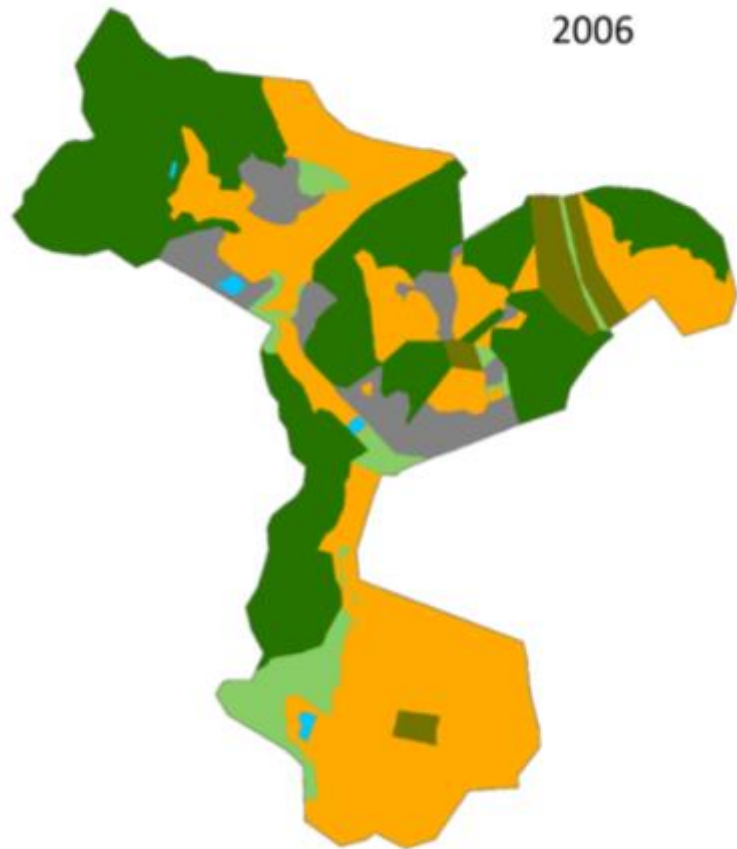
5-Municipal technicians.

6-Forest owners and companies.

7-Scientific Community.



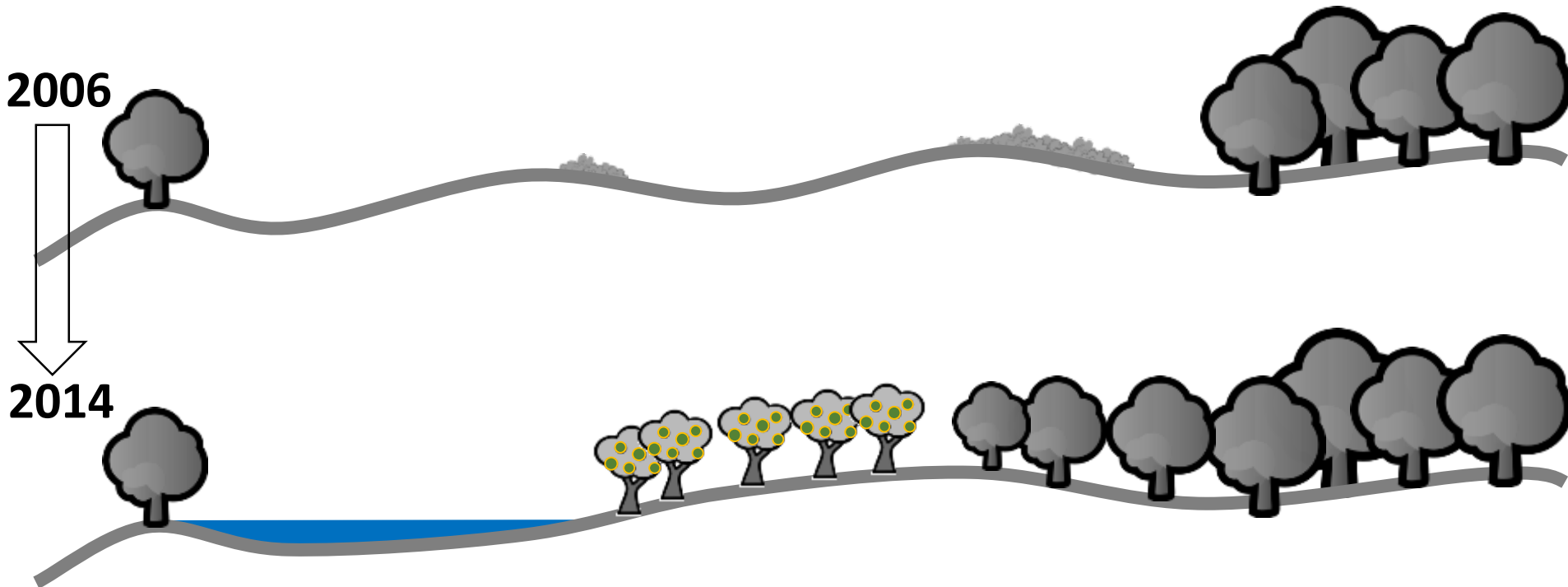
landcover in a local area

**Legend**

- Discontinuos urban fabric
- Natural grassland
- Non-irrigated arable land
- Olive groves
- Broad leaf forest
- Transitional woodland
- Water bodies

0 140 280 560 Meters

landcover change in a local area



landcover change in a local area

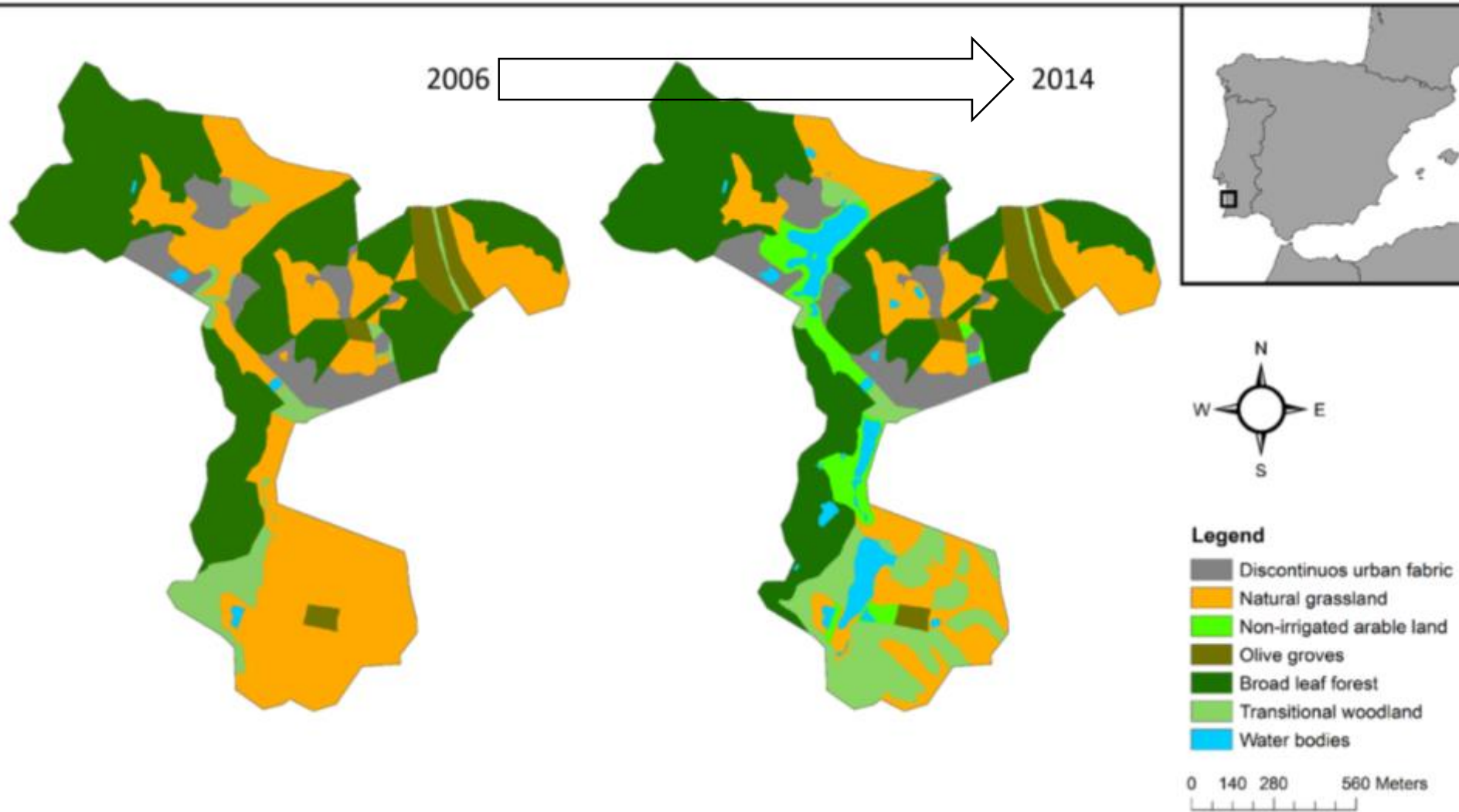
Tamera Lake 1, 2007



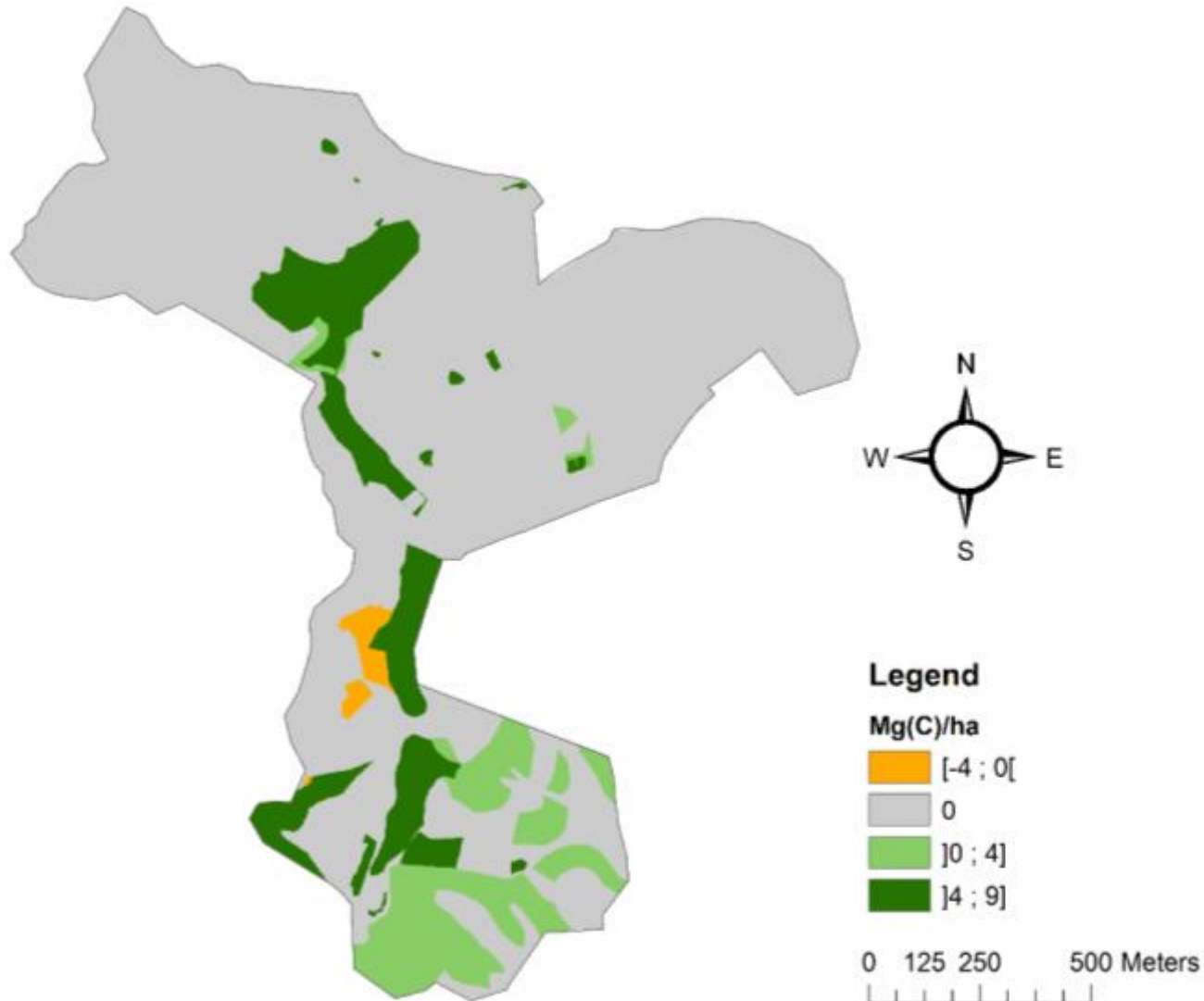
Lake 1, 2011



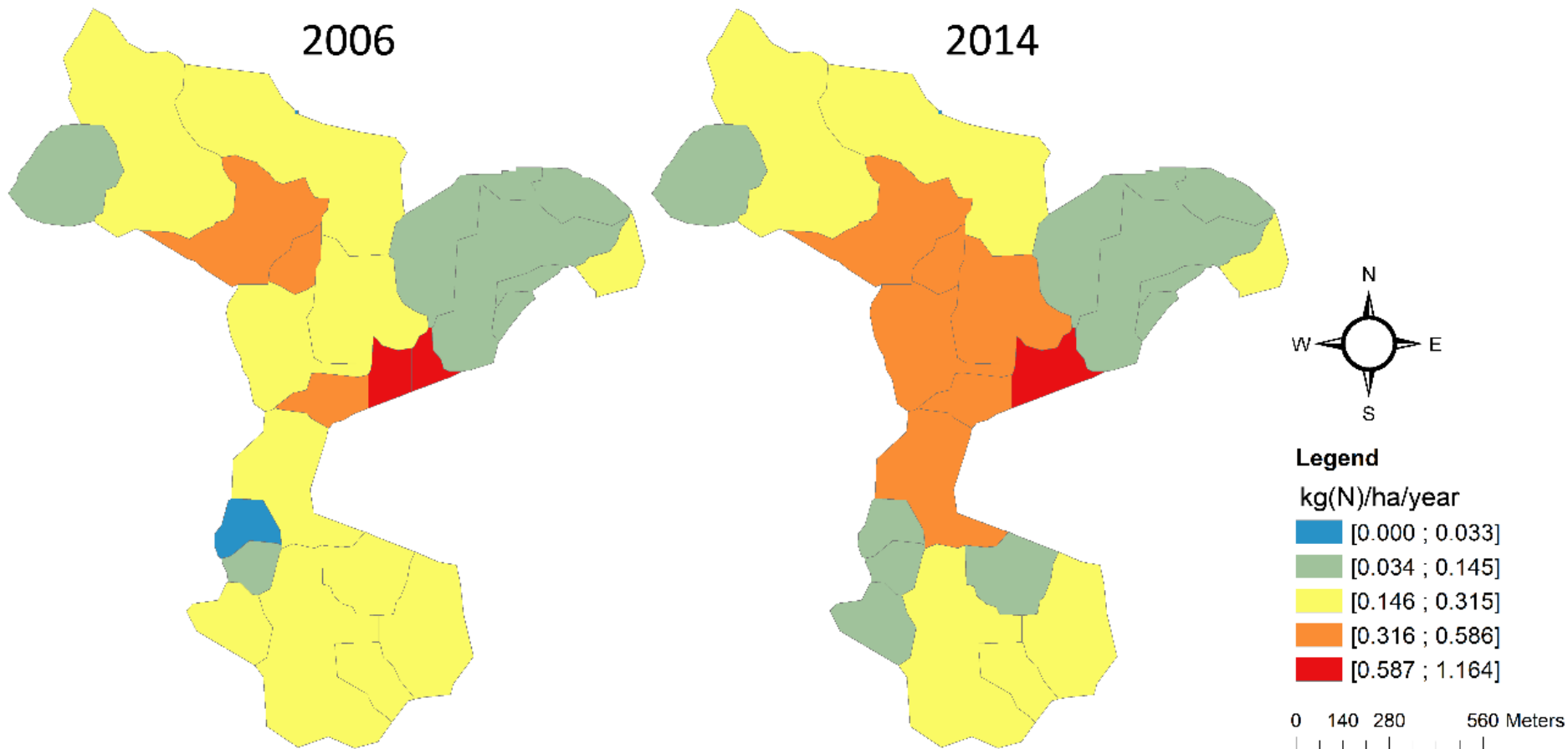
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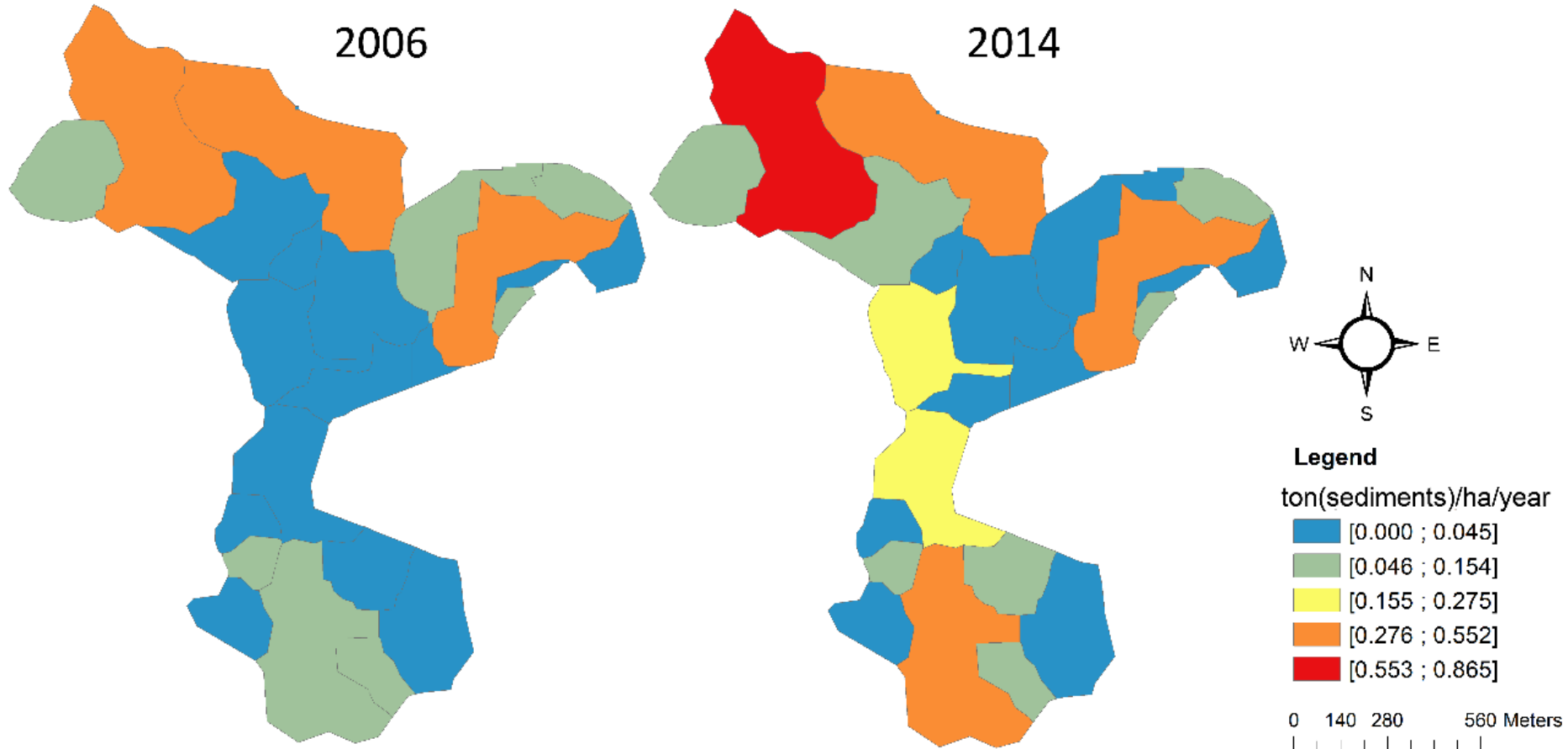
carbon storage change in a local area



nitrogen leaching change in a local area

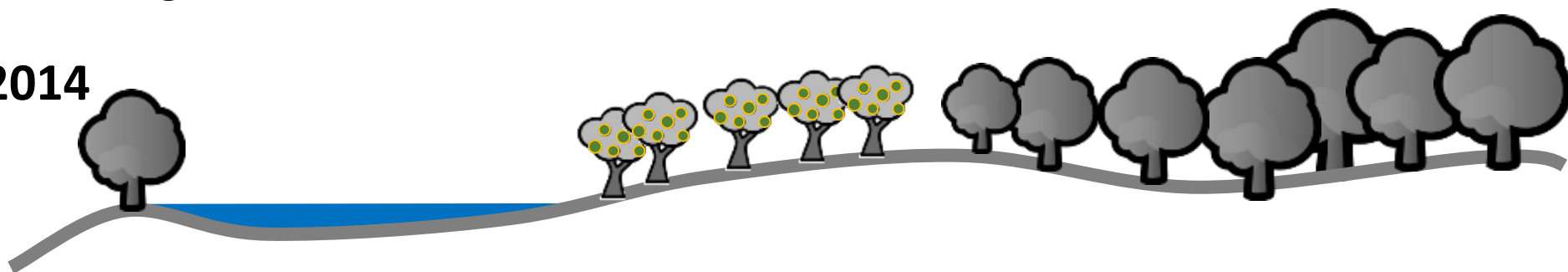


sediments discharge change in a local area



non-target ESs tradeoffs

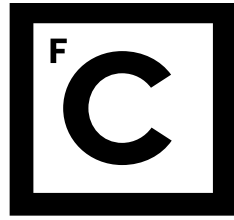
2014



| | carbon | water purification | sediment retention |
|-------------|--|---|--|
| <i>year</i> | <i>Carbon storage (Mg ha⁻¹)</i> | <i>Nitrogen leaching (Kg ha⁻¹ year⁻¹)</i> | <i>sediments discharge (ton ha⁻¹ year⁻¹)</i> |
| 2006 | 75.22 | 0.23 | 0.034 |
| 2014 | 82.27 | 0.23 | 0.080 |
| Δ 2006-2004 | 7.05 | 0.001 | 0.046 |
| | +9.4% | +0.4% | +135.3% |



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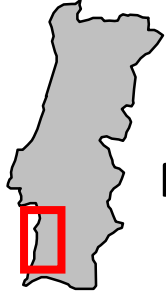
Trinta anos de biomonitorização ambiental no Alentejo Litoral: o que aprendemos

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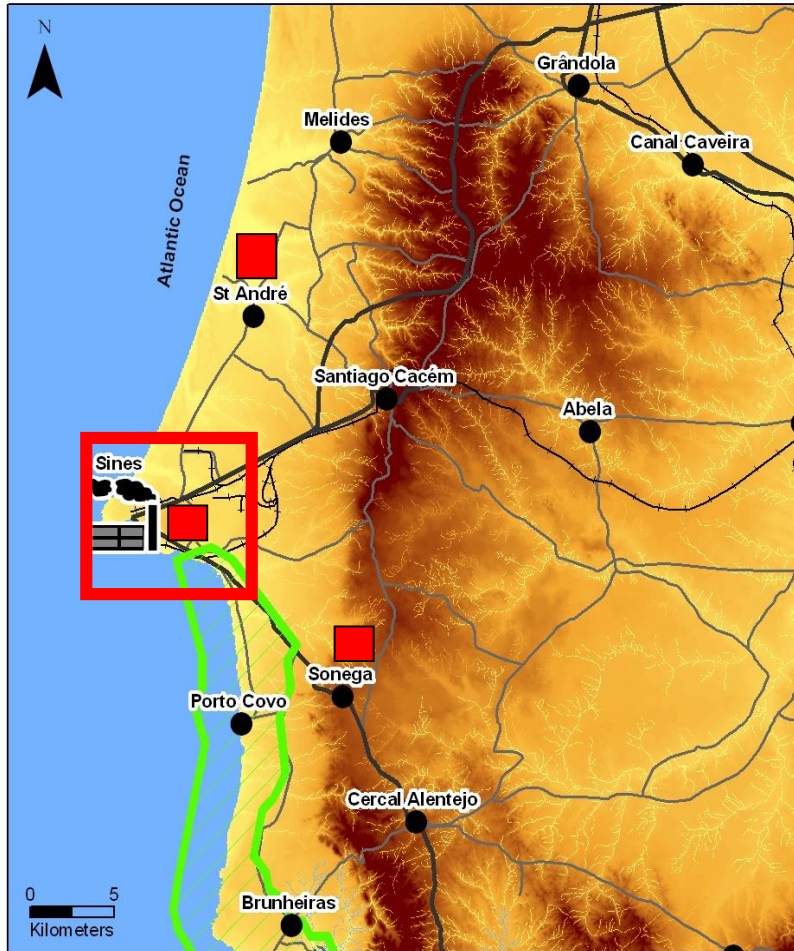
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MULTIPLoS Usos do solo

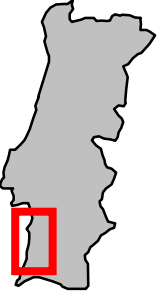


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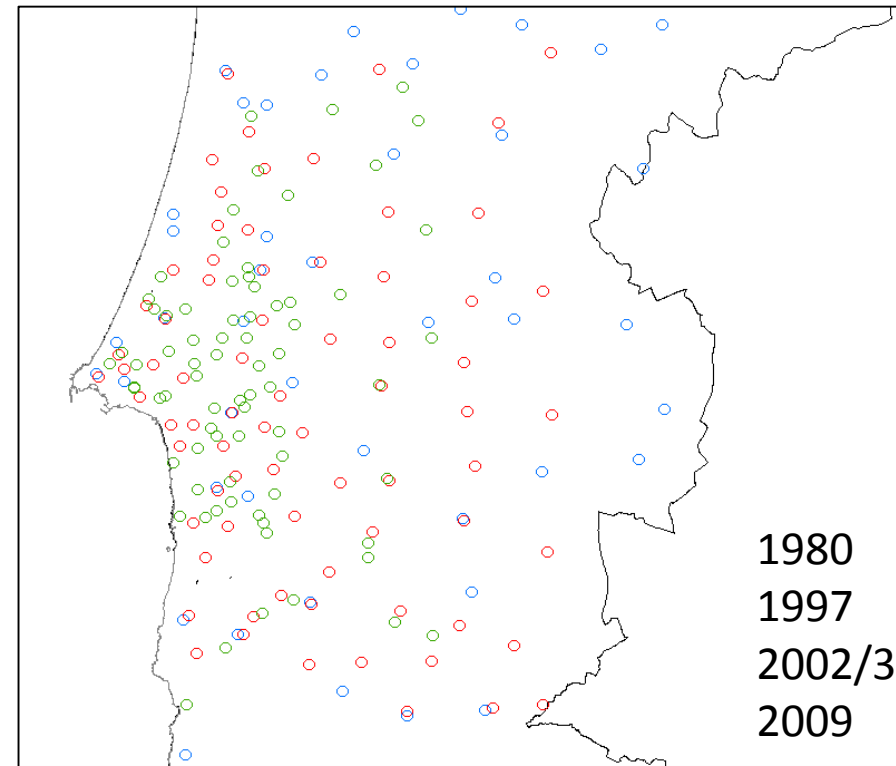
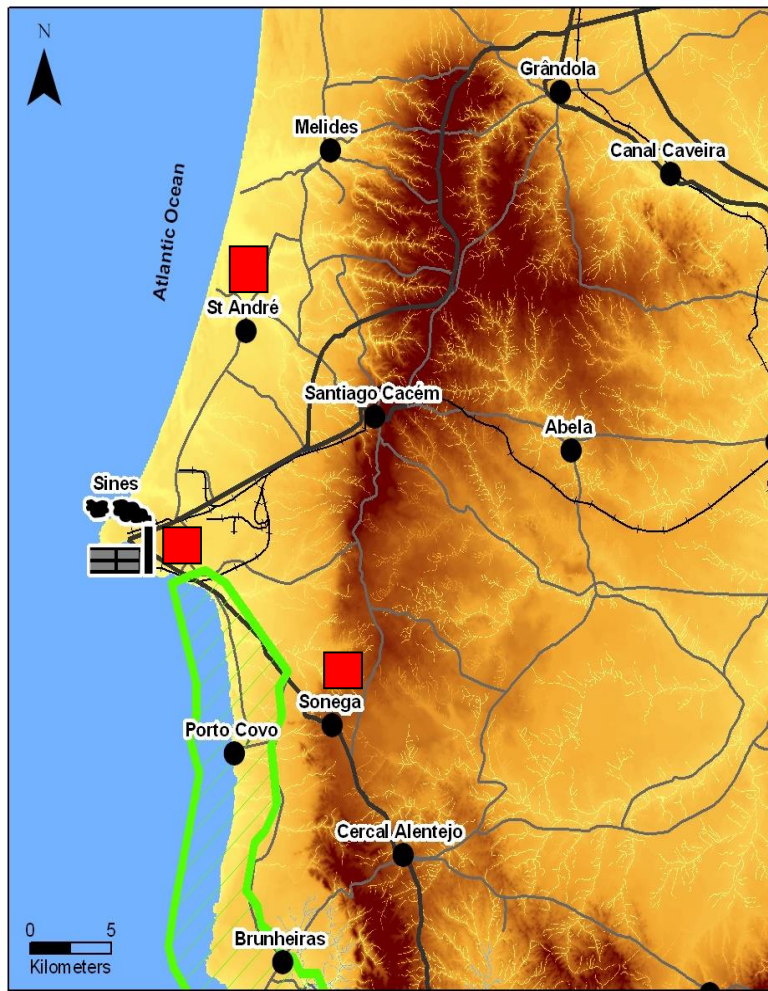
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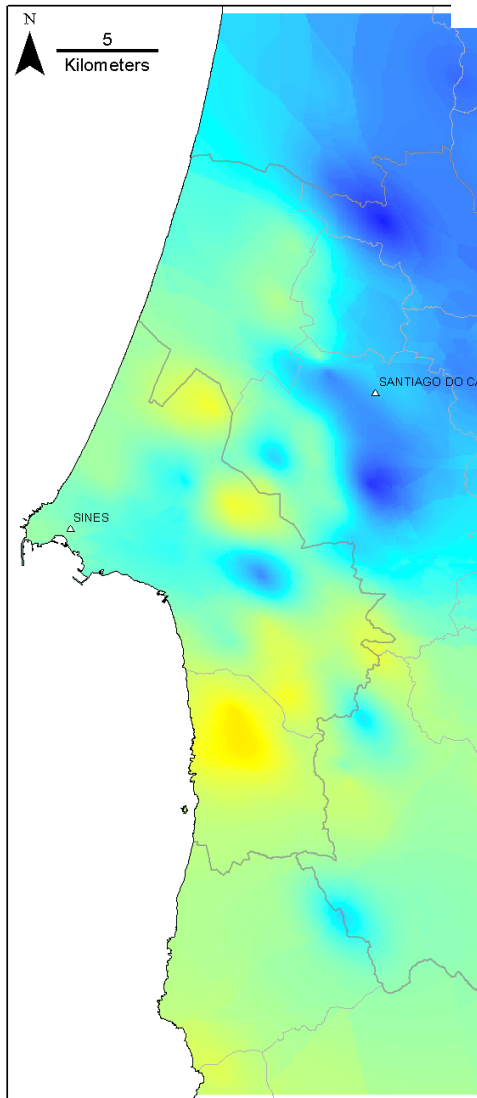


Lichen Diversity Sampling along time

The sampling method was not the same; but we could look to total number of lichen species present



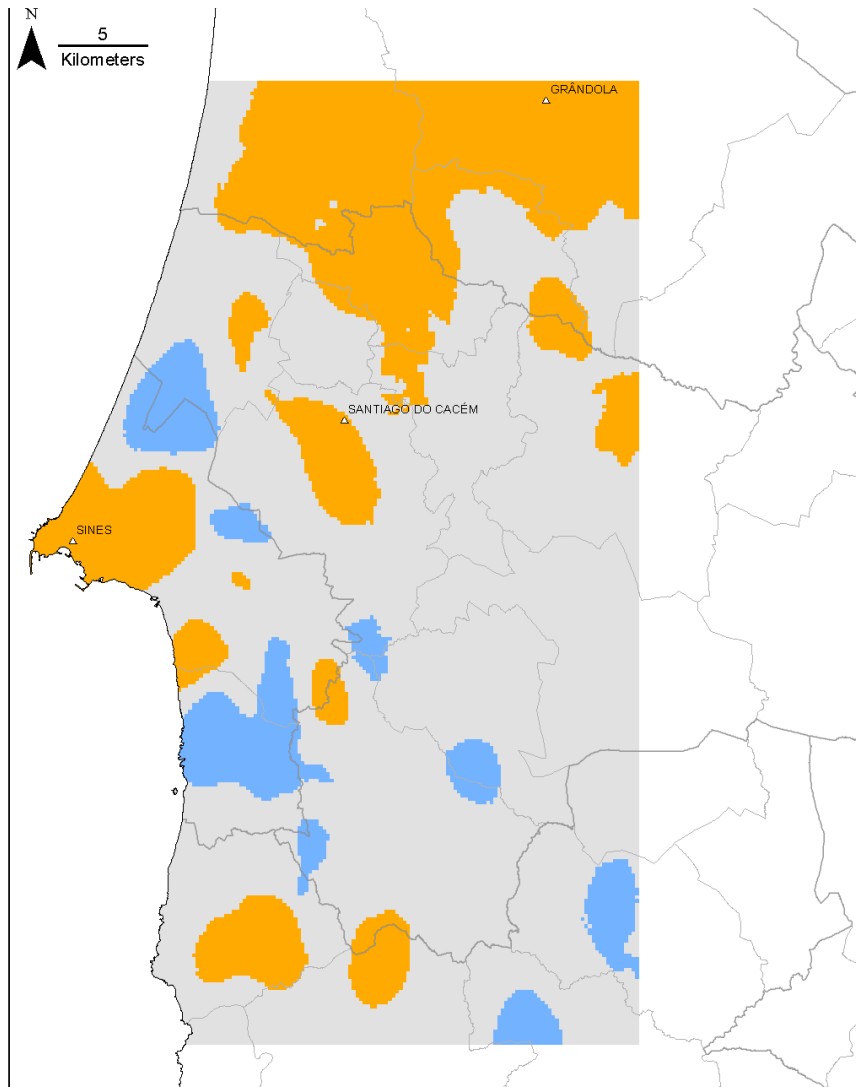
Difference in the Nº of Lichen Species 1980-2003



NrSp macro (JONES) 1980

High : 26
Low : 0

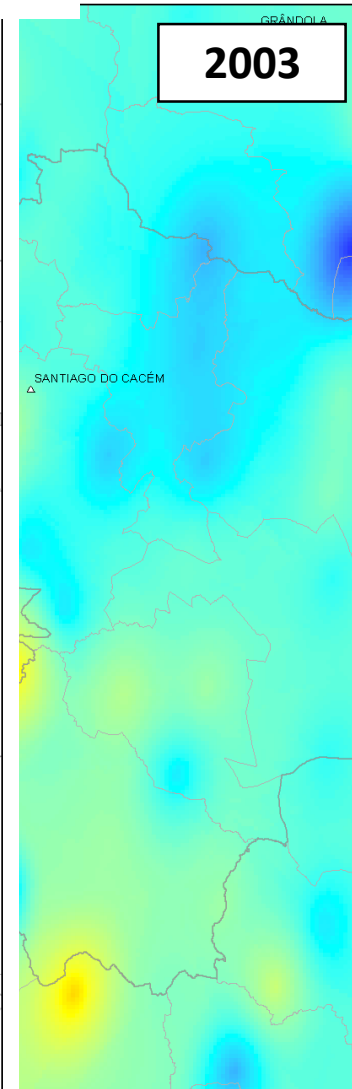
municipality
civil-parish



changes (%) in NrSpmacro (1980 to 2003)

more than 20% decrease
no change
more than 20% increase

municipality
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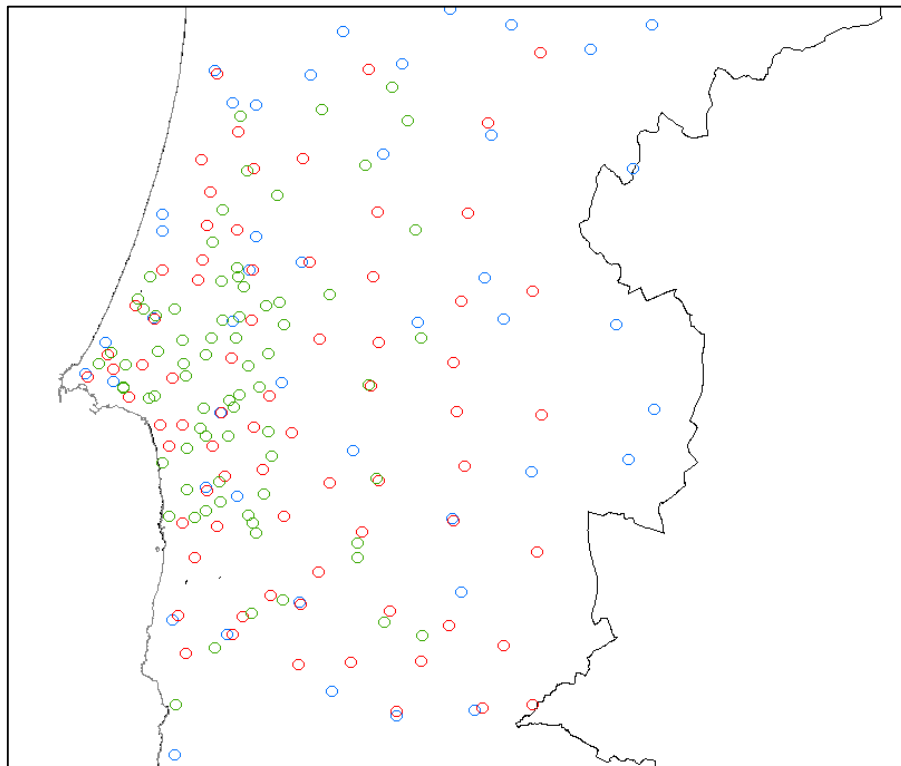
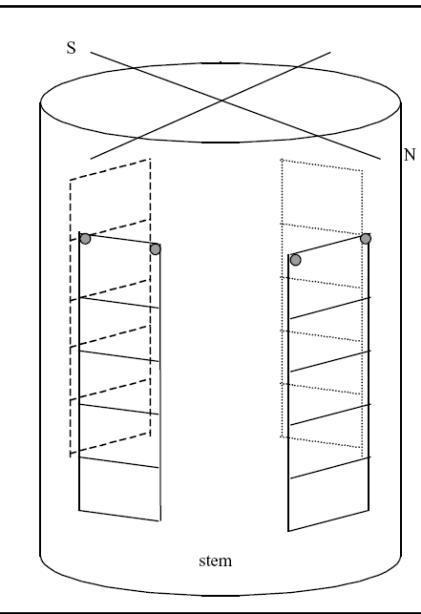
2003

Jon

Pinho et al., 2004

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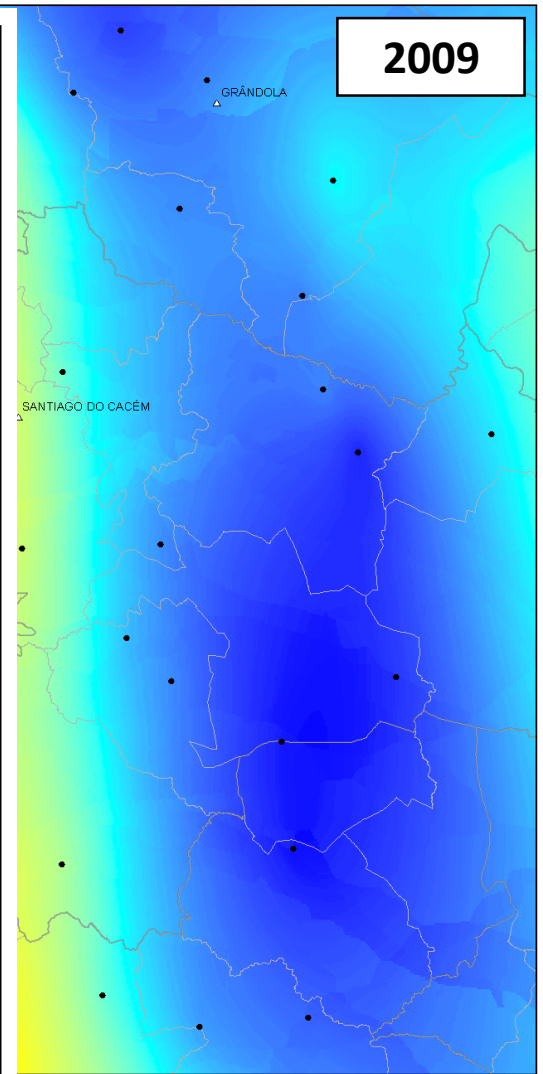
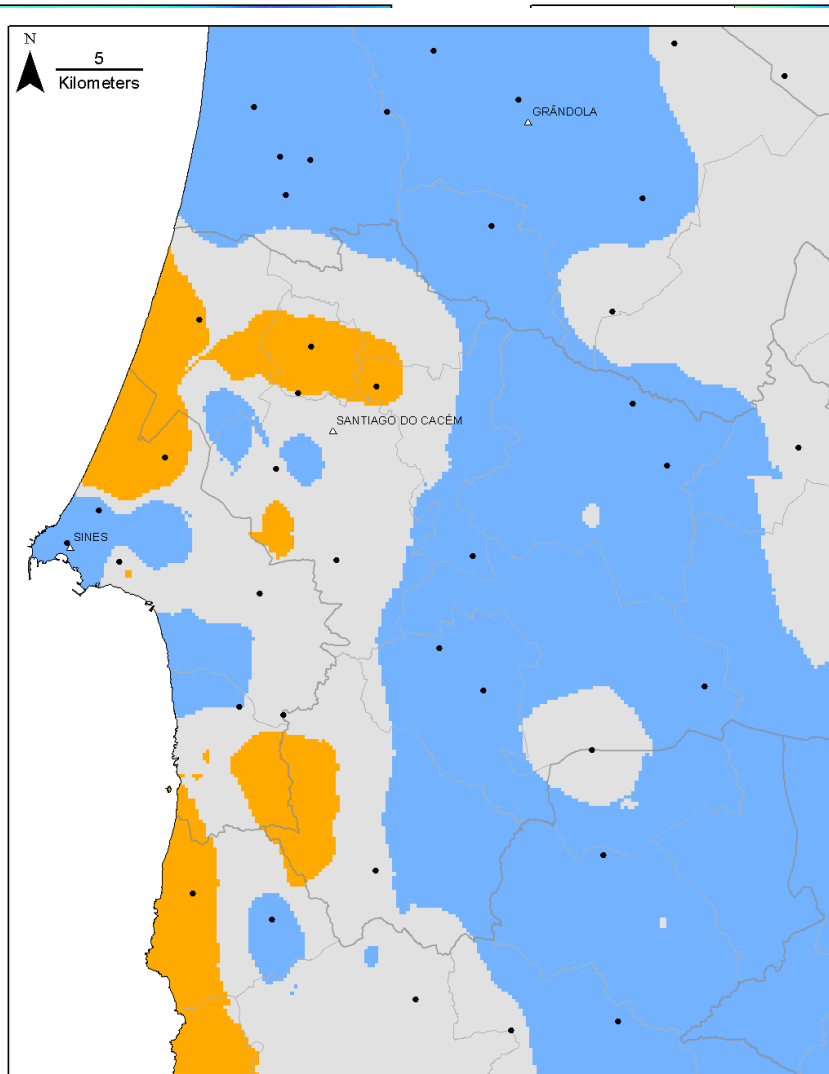
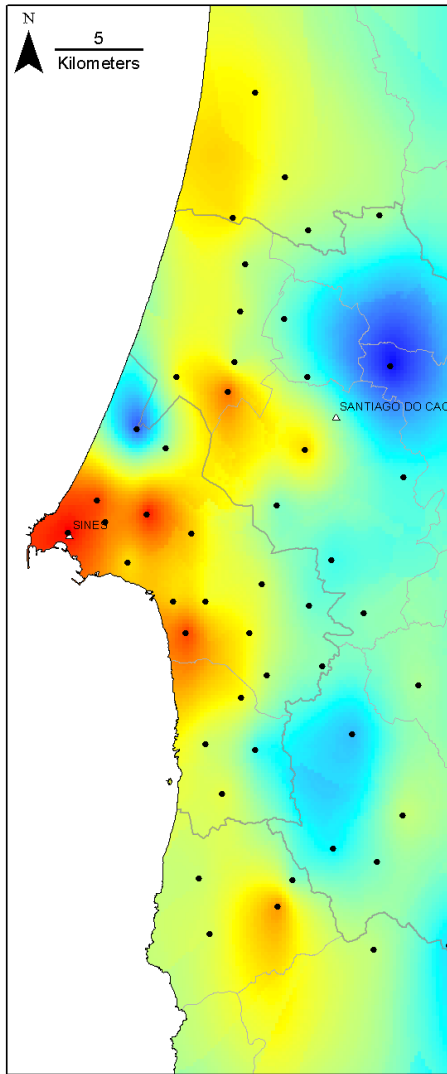
Lichen diversity



Lichen diversity accordingly to
Asta et al. (2002) and
Scheidegger et al. (2002)

Calculated LDV (species number
and frequency)

LDV differences 2003-2009



LDVmacro (SINESBIOAR) 2003

49.2

0.10

• sampling sites (2003)

□ municipality

□ civil-parish

changes (%) in LDVmacro (from 2003 to 2009)

more than 20% decrease

no change

more than 20% increase

• sampling sites (2009)

□ municipality

□ civil-parish

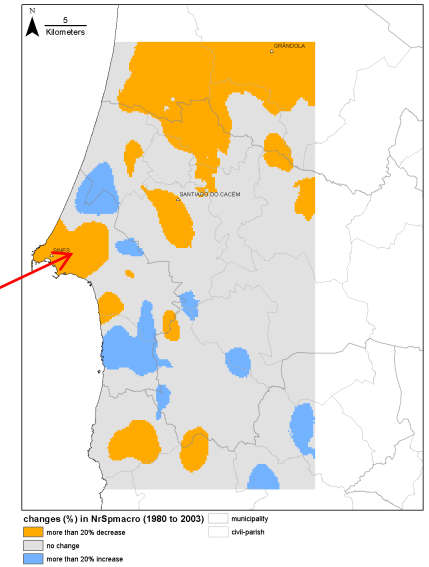
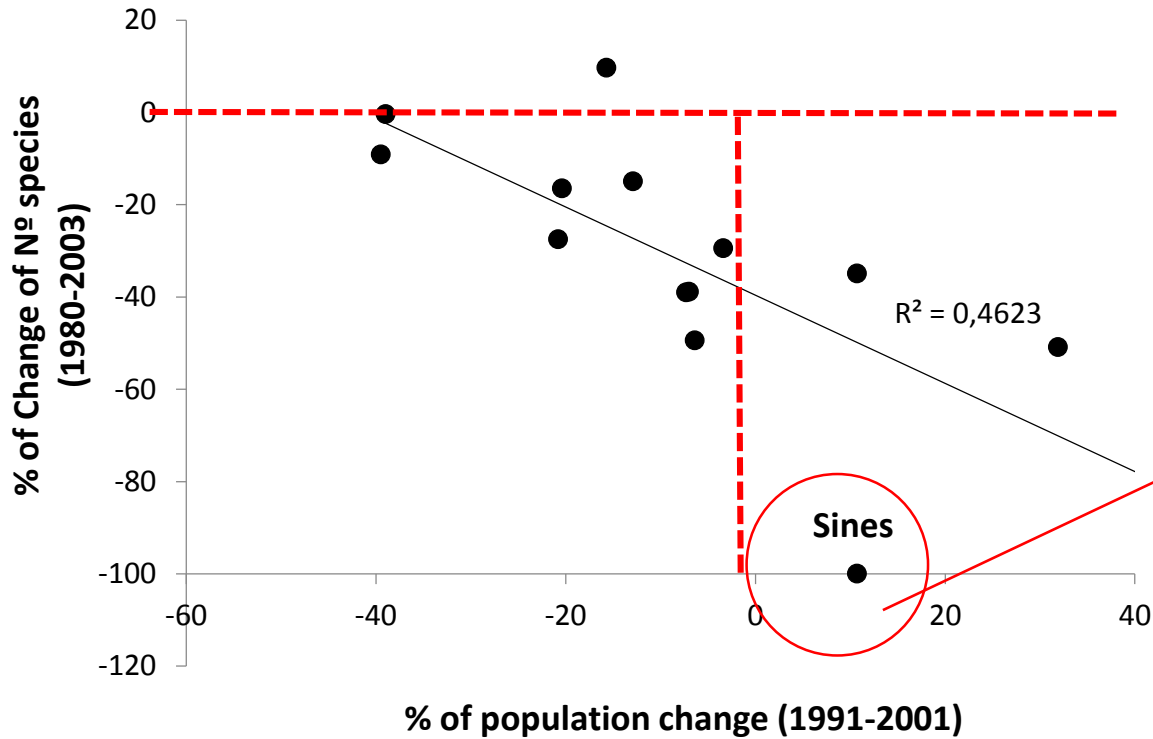
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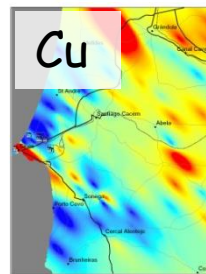
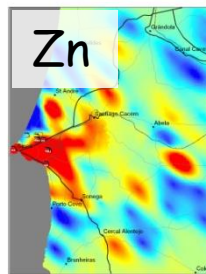
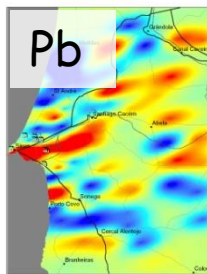
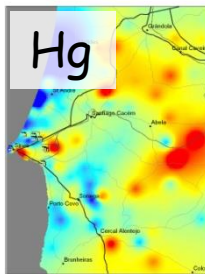
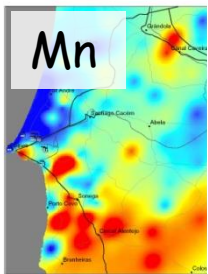
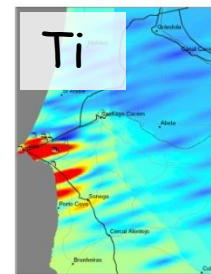
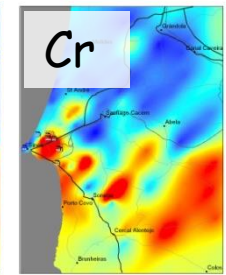
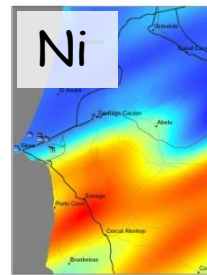
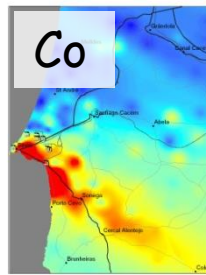
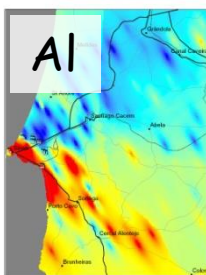
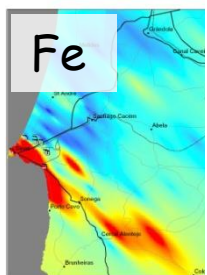
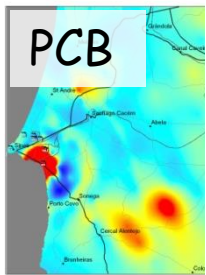
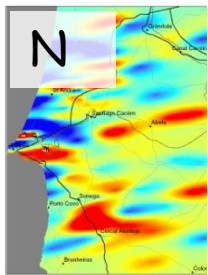
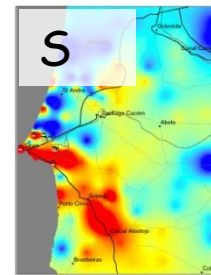
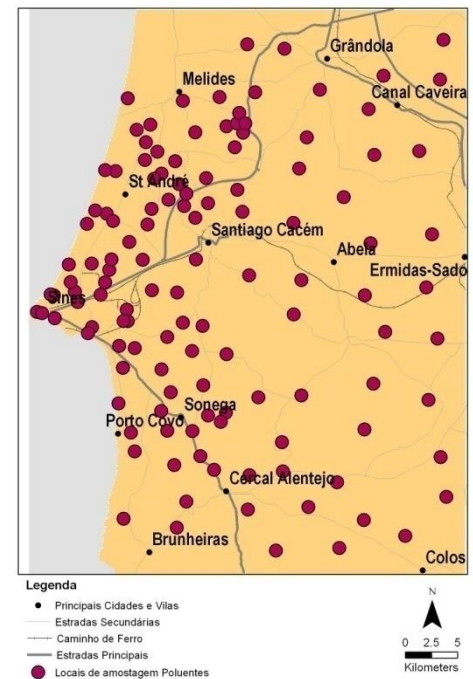
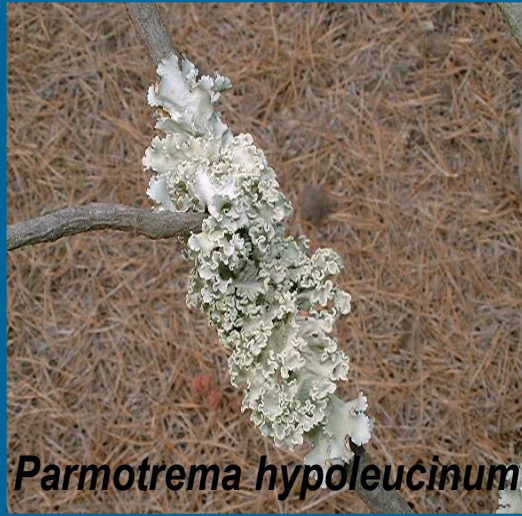
Does the changes in population explains the changes in LDV?



Energy consumption in Industry

| Geographic Location | 2004 |
|---------------------|---------------|
| | kWh/ consumer |
| Alcácer do Sal | 40227,50 |
| Grândola | 18032,70 |
| Odemira | 9557,60 |
| Santiago do Cacém | 28343,90 |
| Sines | 3029830,60 |

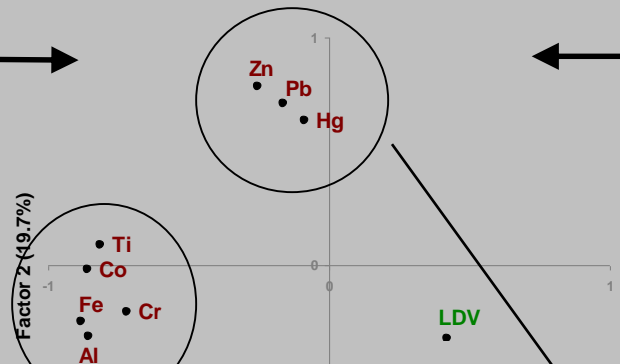
Lichen Pollutants



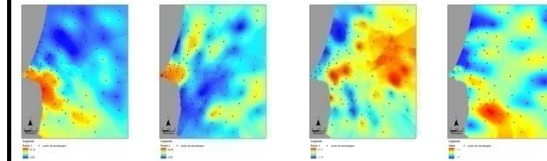
Data from the model of lichen diversity in the region



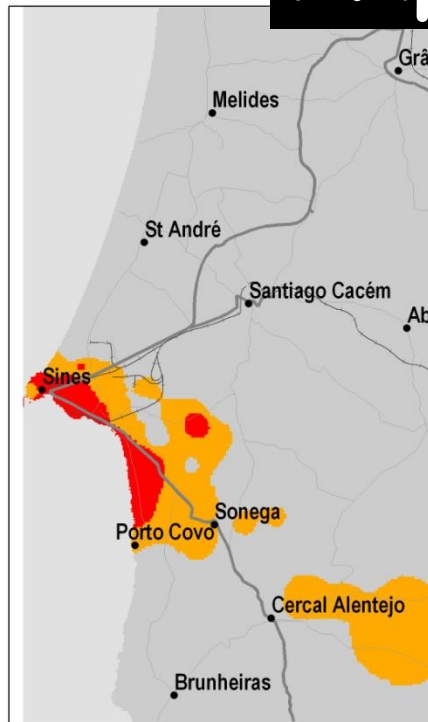
Factor 1 e 2 da ACP



Data from the model of all pollutants in the region

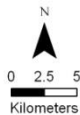


Map of the "Chronic Pollution"

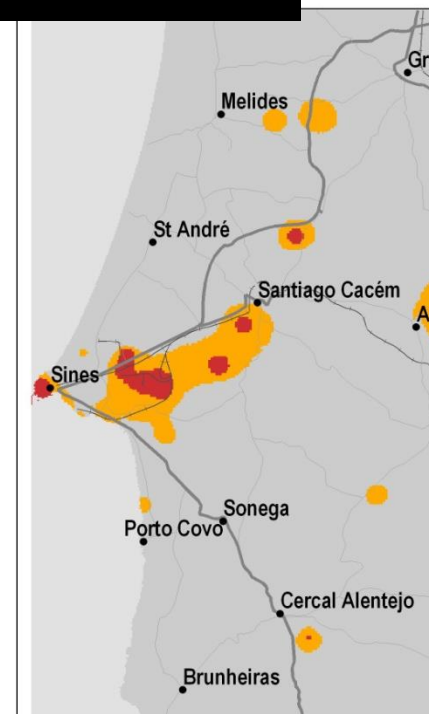


Legenda

- Principais Cidades e Vilas
- Estradas Secundárias
- Caminho de Ferro
- Estradas Principais
- Factor 1 (biodiversidade & poluentes)
 - muito degradado
 - degradado
 - não degradado



Factor 1 (36.8%)

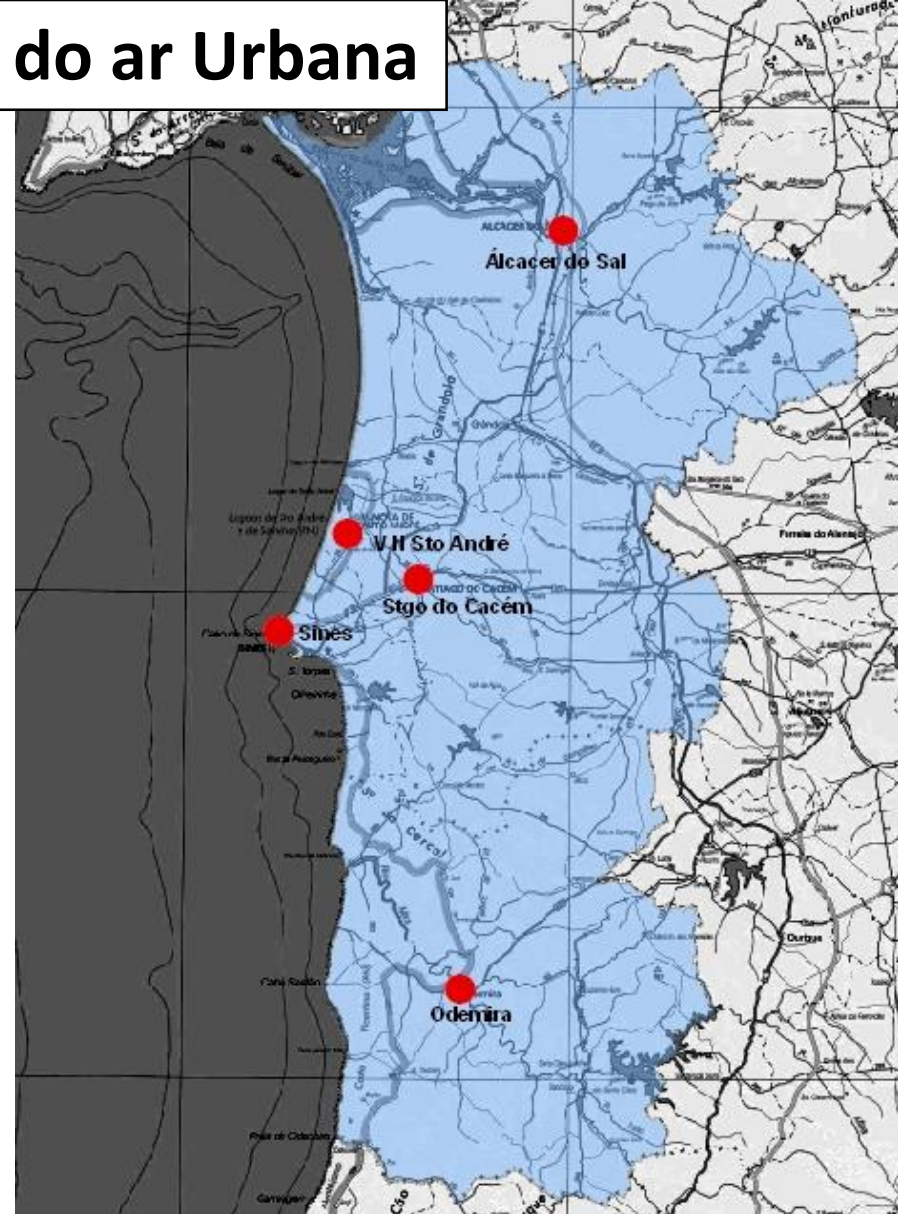


Legenda

- Principais Cidades e Vilas
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- Caminho de Ferro
- Estradas Principais
- Factor 2 (biodiversidade & poluentes)
 - não degradado
 - degradado
 - muito degradado



Qualidade do ar Urbana



GISA

Gestão Integrada Saúde e Ambiente

Dez 2007 a Dez 2011

5 municípios

Saúde: ARSLVT

Ambiente: CCDR-A

FCUL; IST; ISCTE

Ricardo Jorge

12 empresas

Organização:



Câmara Municipal de Sines

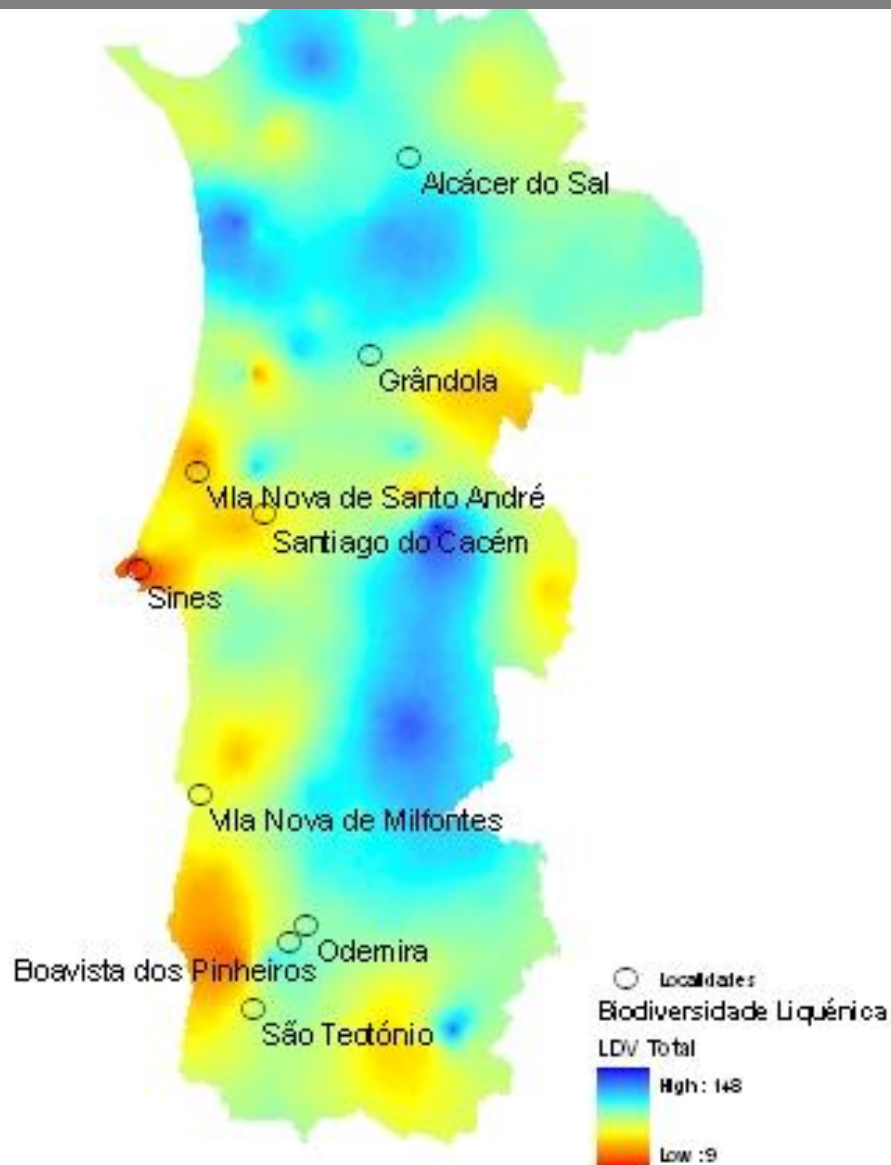
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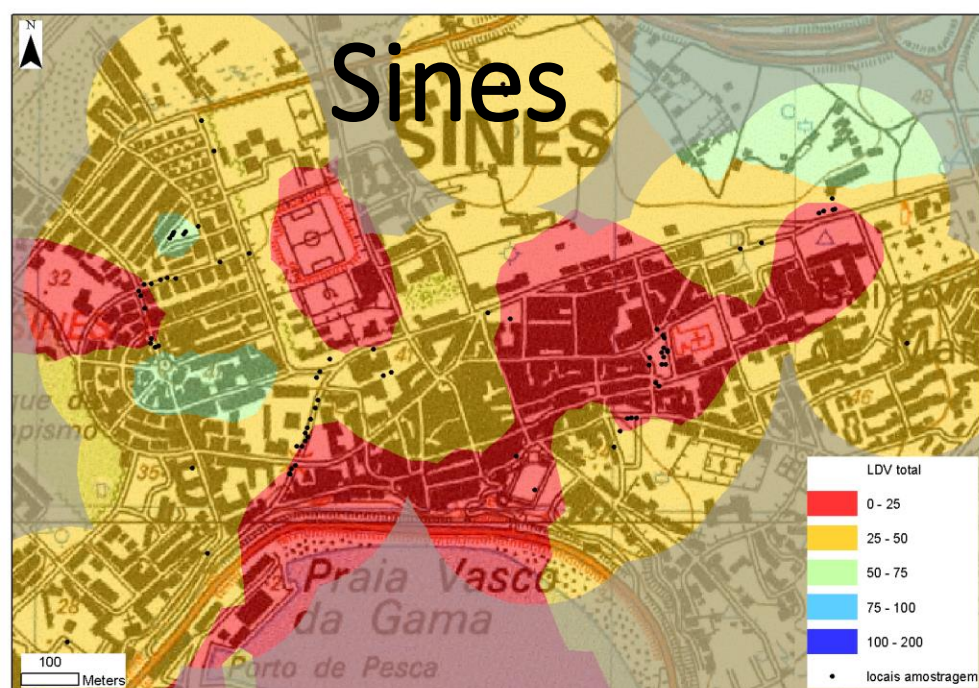
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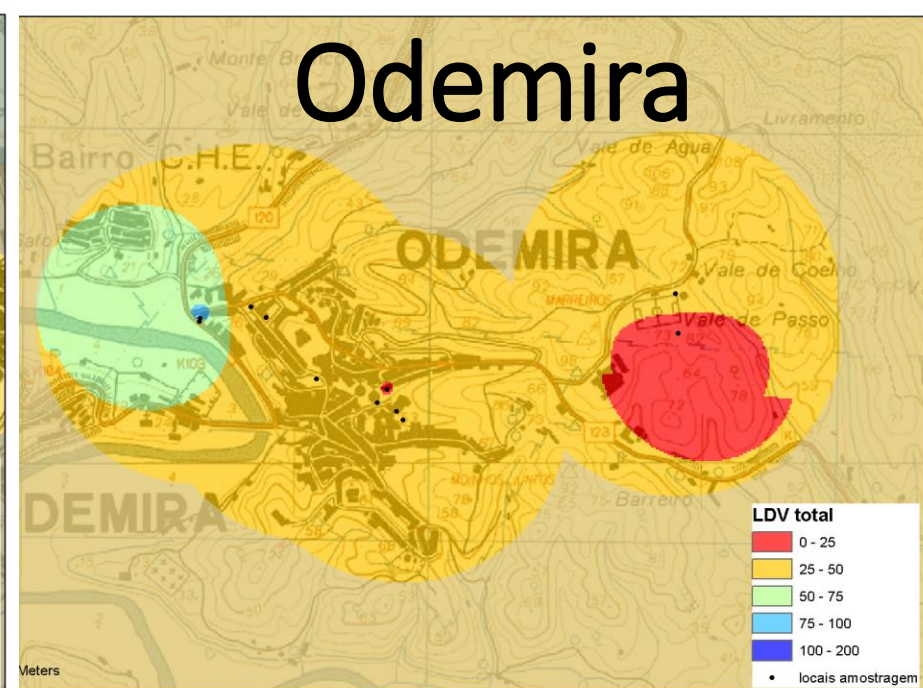
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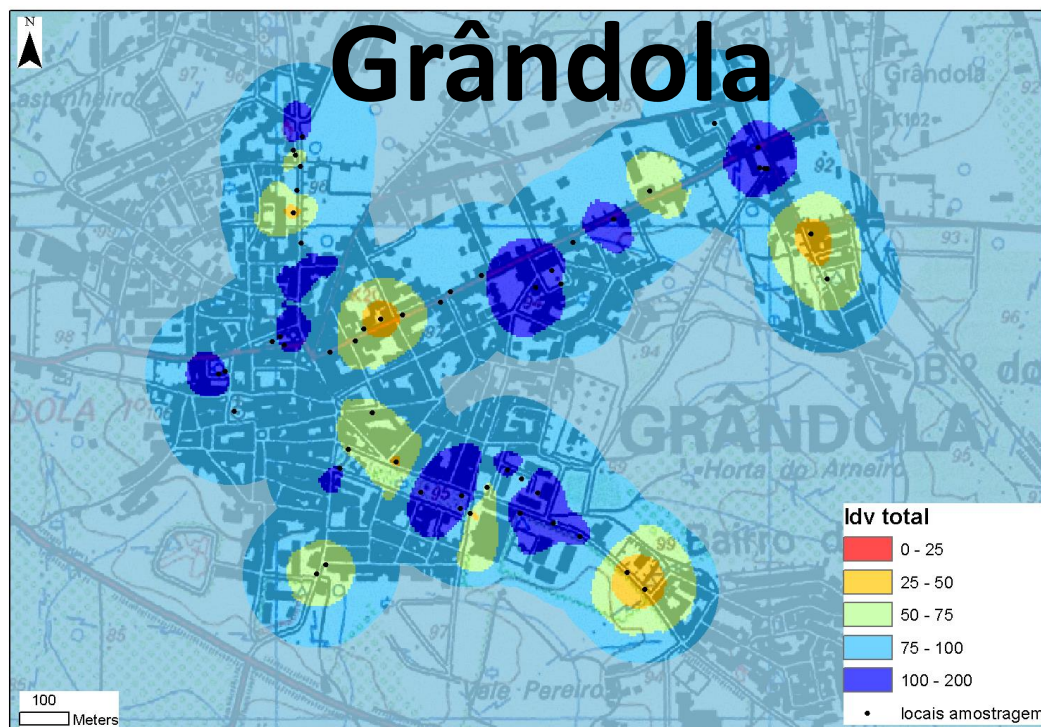
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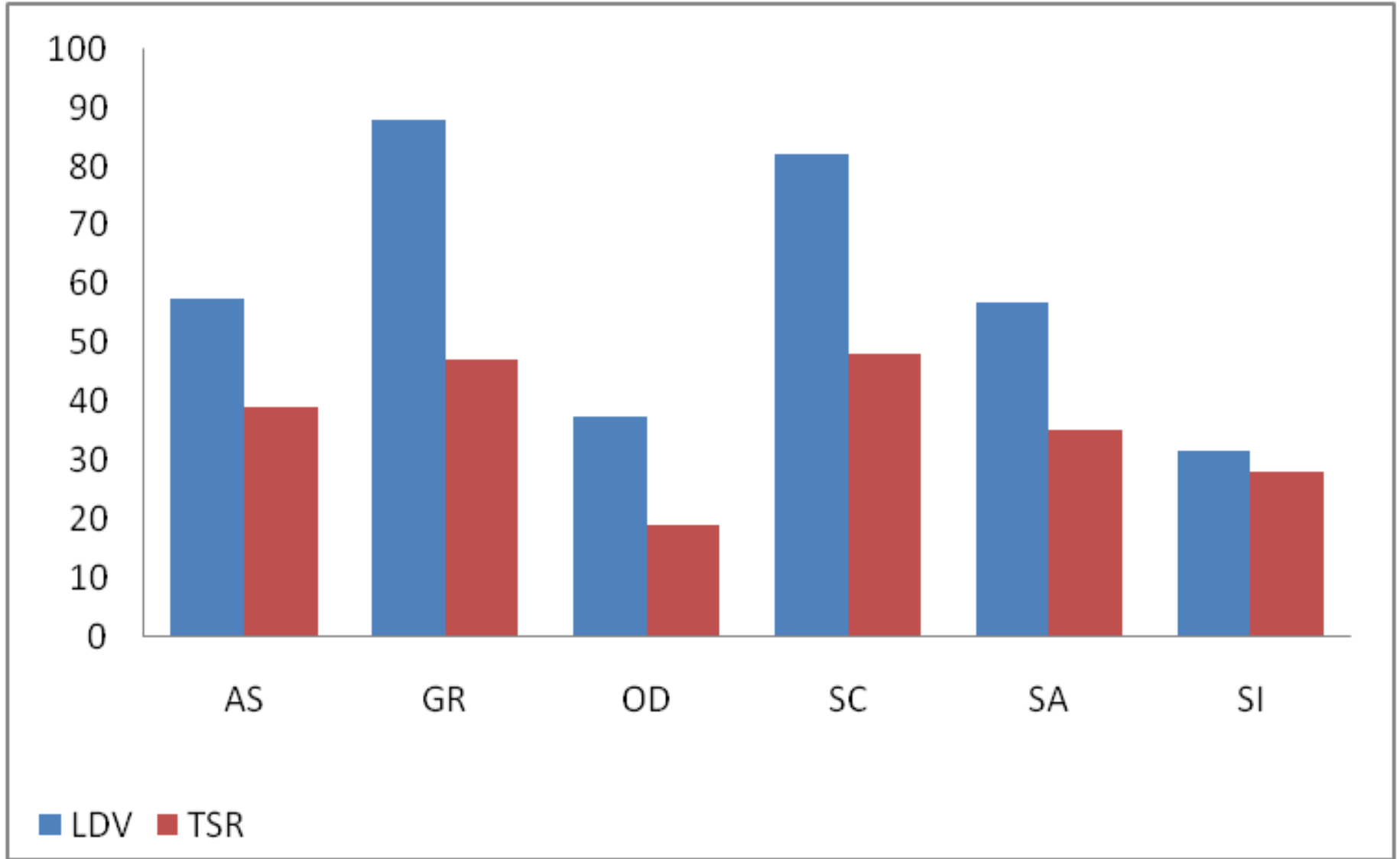


Figure 1. Values of LDV and species richness (TSR) for the sampled towns. AS: Alcácer do Sal, GR: Grândola, OD: Odemira, SC: Santiago do Cacém, SA: Santo André, SI: Sines.

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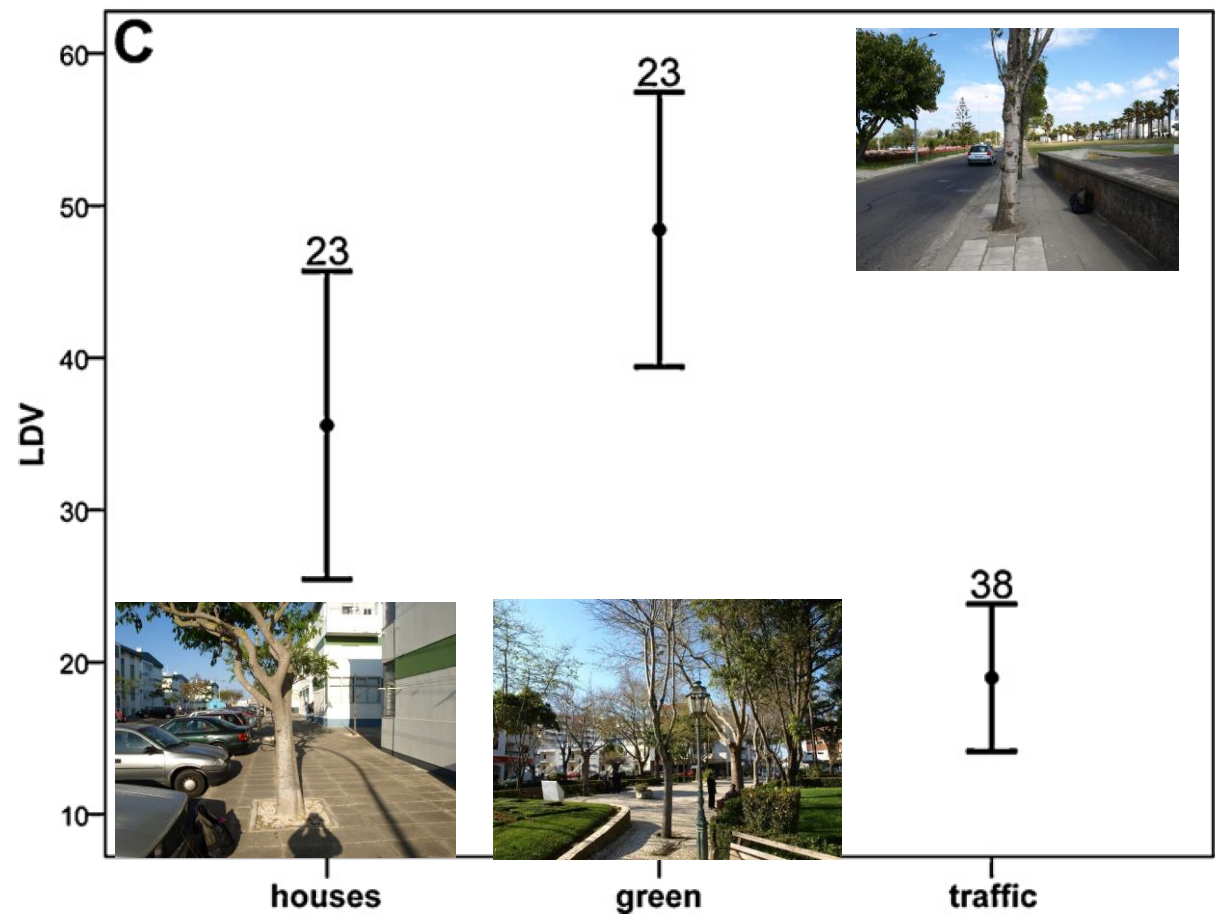


Fig. 2. Range plots for pH (A), separated by bark of trees (B) and LDV (C) for the considered land uses. The bars represent the 95% confidence interval. The number on top of bar indicates the amount of trees included in each plot.

Llop E, Pinho P, Matos P, Pereira MJ, Branquinho C. 2012. The use of lichen functional groups as indicators of air quality in a Mediterranean urban environment. *Ecological Indicators*



Emissões das principais empresas

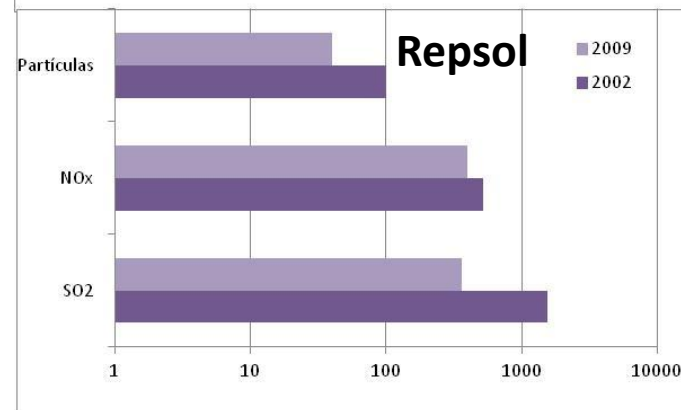
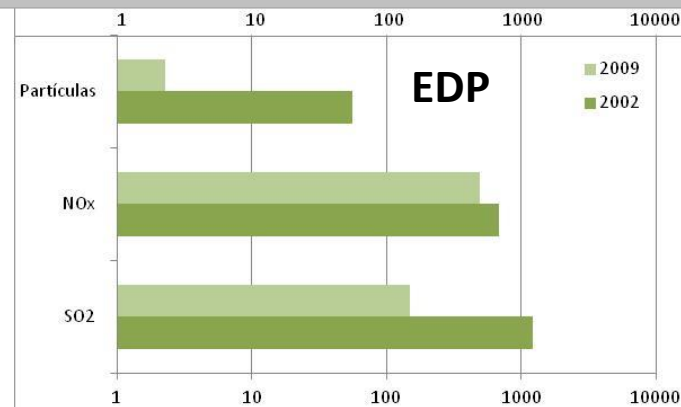
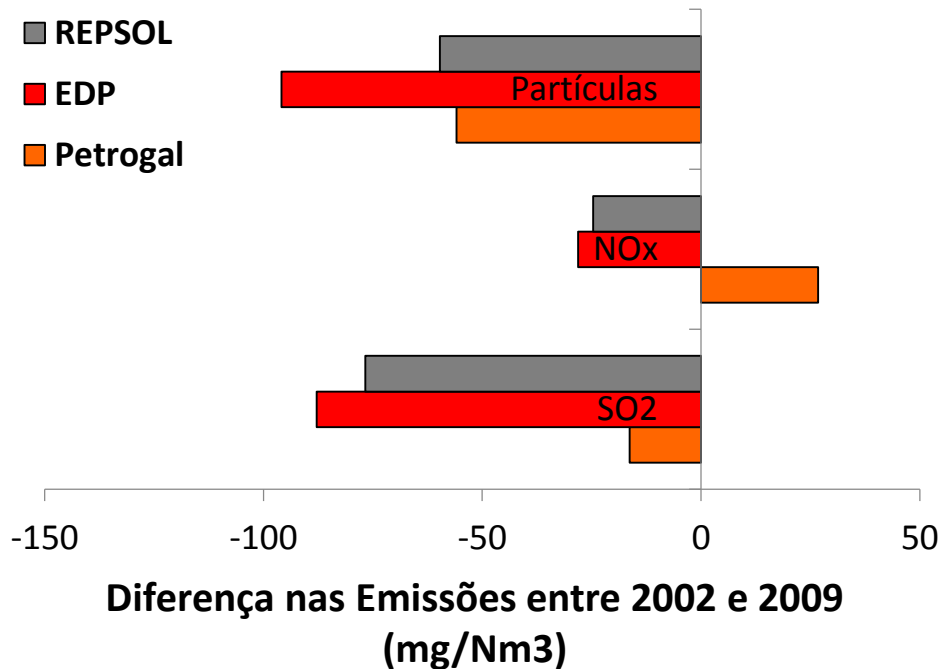
De acordo com o cenário adoptado na Estratégia Temática, prevê-se que a **redução de emissões (entre 2000 e 2020) provenientes de fontes fixas, para Portugal, seja de:**

48% para as PM2,5

52% para o NOx,

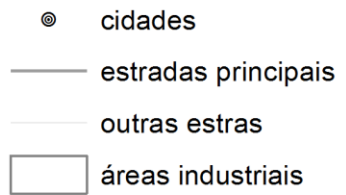
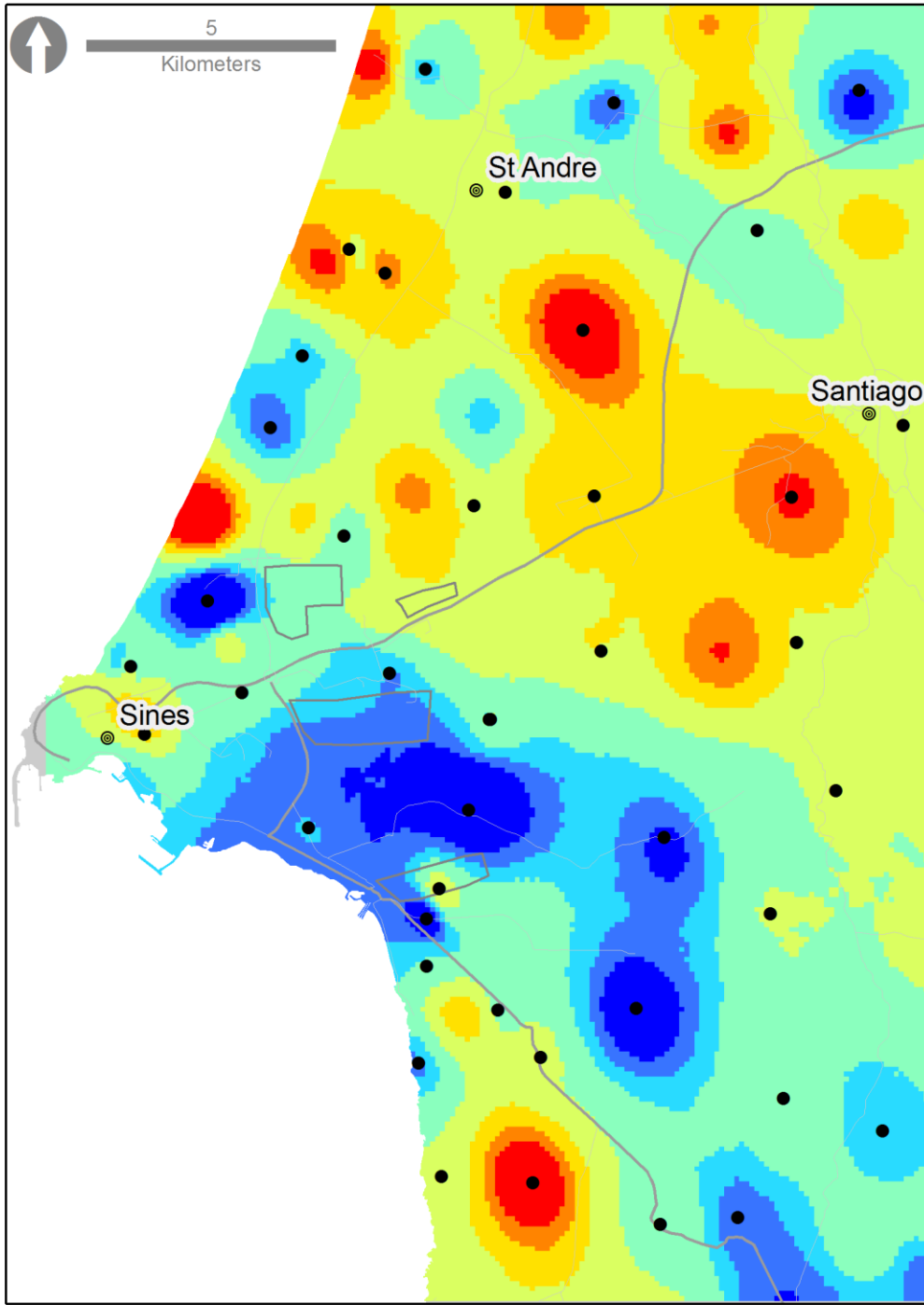
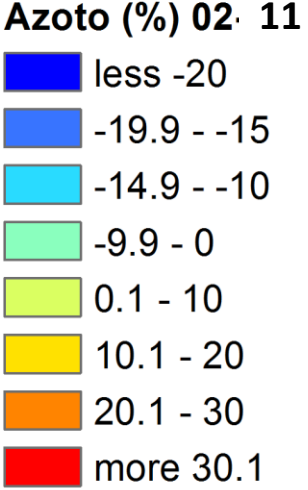
79% para o SO2,

2002-2009



Emissões - Medianas anuais de 2009 e 2002 (mg/Nm3)

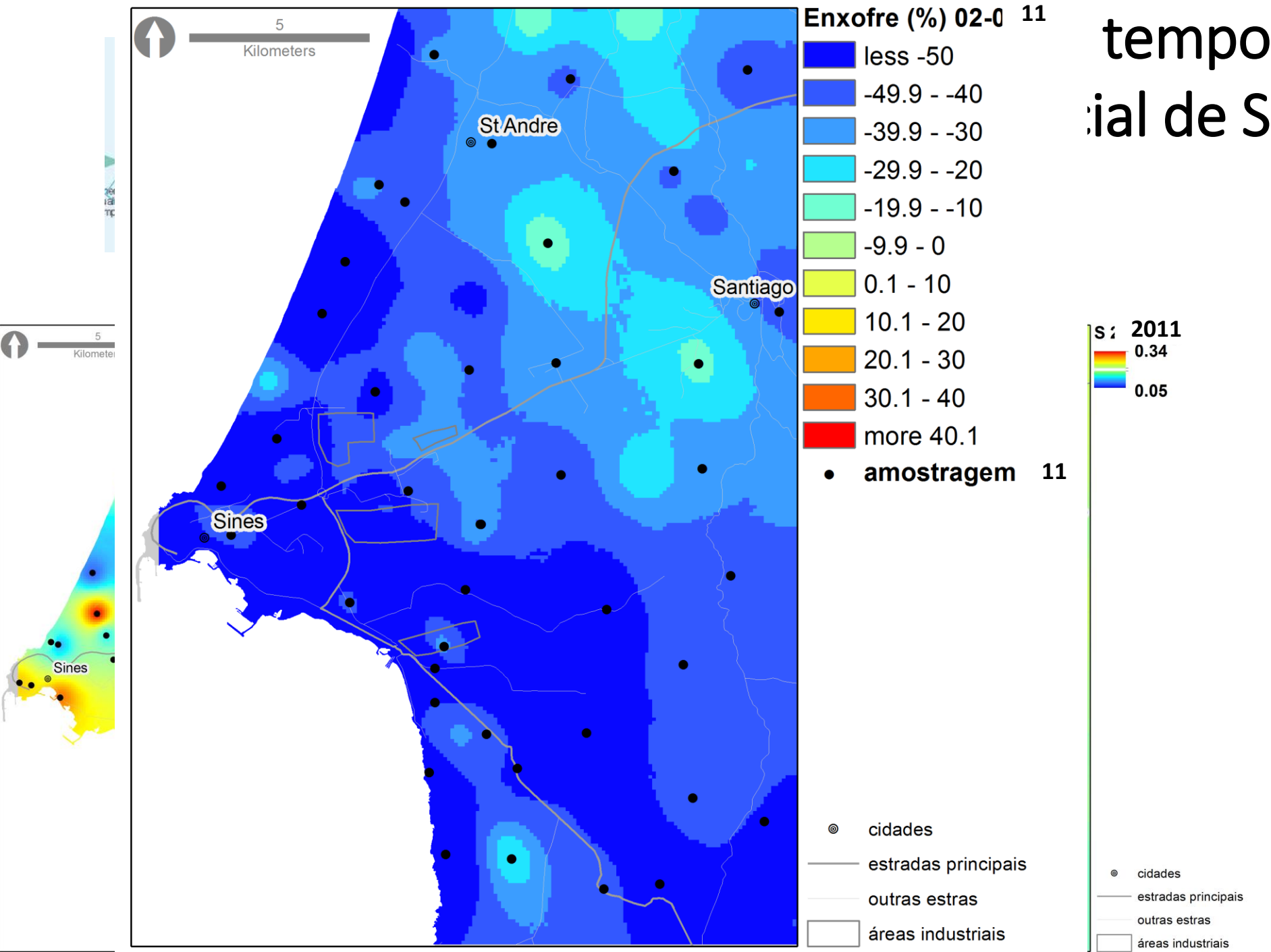
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