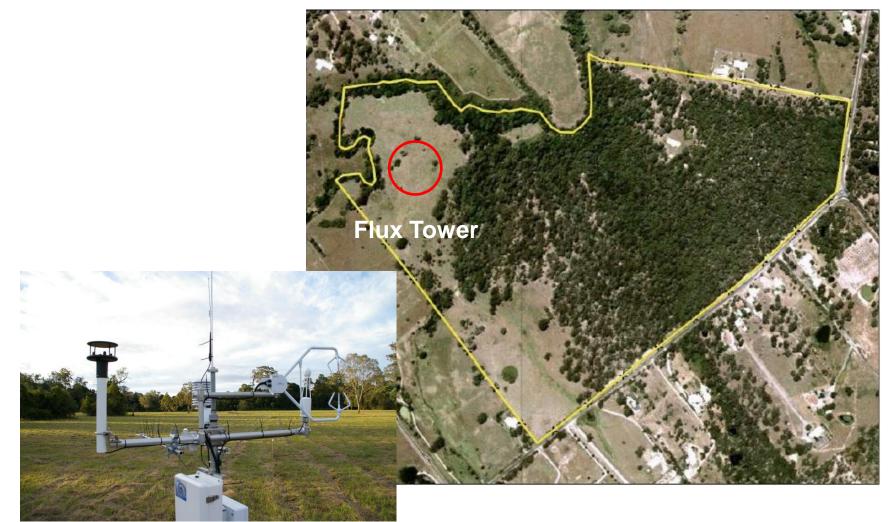


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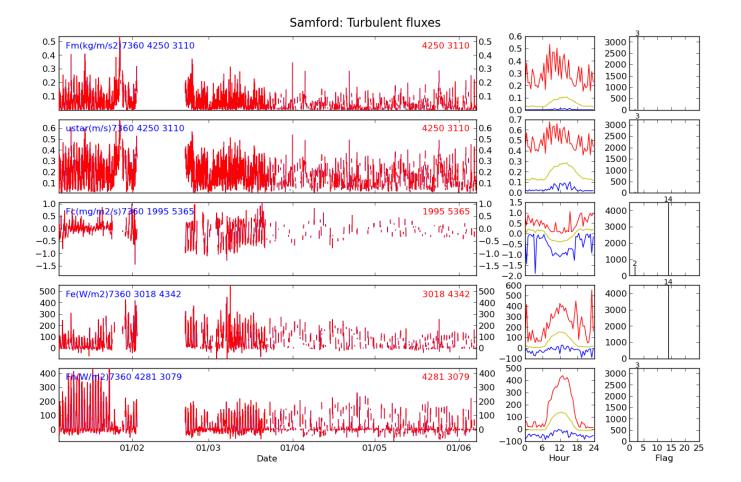
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PhD

Proposed Title:

Land use change and its impact on the carbon cycle in urban soils of southeast Queensland, Australia



GHG unit





GHG unit

- Automatic chamber unit (CO₂, CH₄, N₂0)
- 4 treatments x 3 replicates
- Forest, pasture, lawn (turf grass), fallow
- Conversion to CO₂ equivalent for C budget calculations
- 2 years data set
- Management:
 - Lawn: fertilization, irrigation, cut intervals
 - Fallow: herbicides

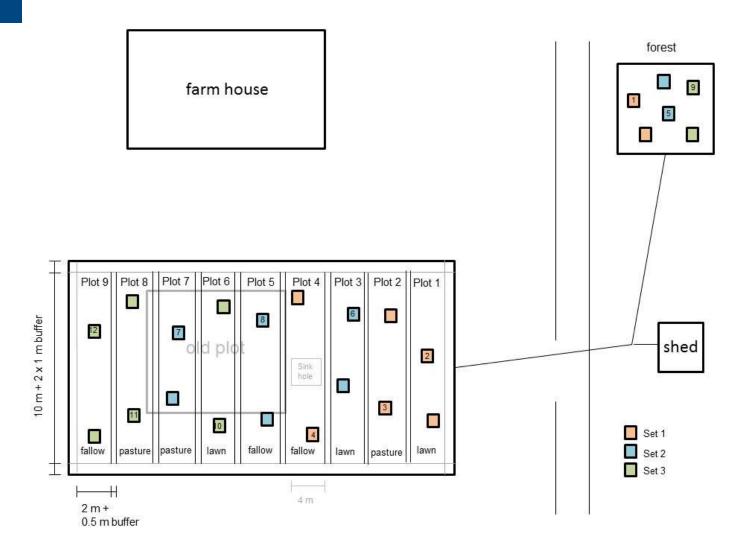


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Soil Survey

Analysis:

- C/N
- SOC
- C fractions
- C isotopes
- Mineralization rates
- Texture, pH, EC, CEC, BD



Soil respiration

Comparison of low and high managed lawns and age of land use

- LI-8100A unit
- Fortnightly
- Soil temperature and moisture additionally
- Heterotrophic vs. total soil respiration



Modelling

- Calibration of ecosystem model (DayCent) with GHG data set
- Validation and extent of the model with soil survey and respiration data
- Future scenarios for different land use



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- C budget calculation
- SEQ climate model
- (Sub)Urban ecosystems
- Land use change



Thanks

