



# **Below canopy radiation divergence in a vineyard**

implications on inter-row  
surface energy balance

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# Wine vineyards are complex agricultural systems

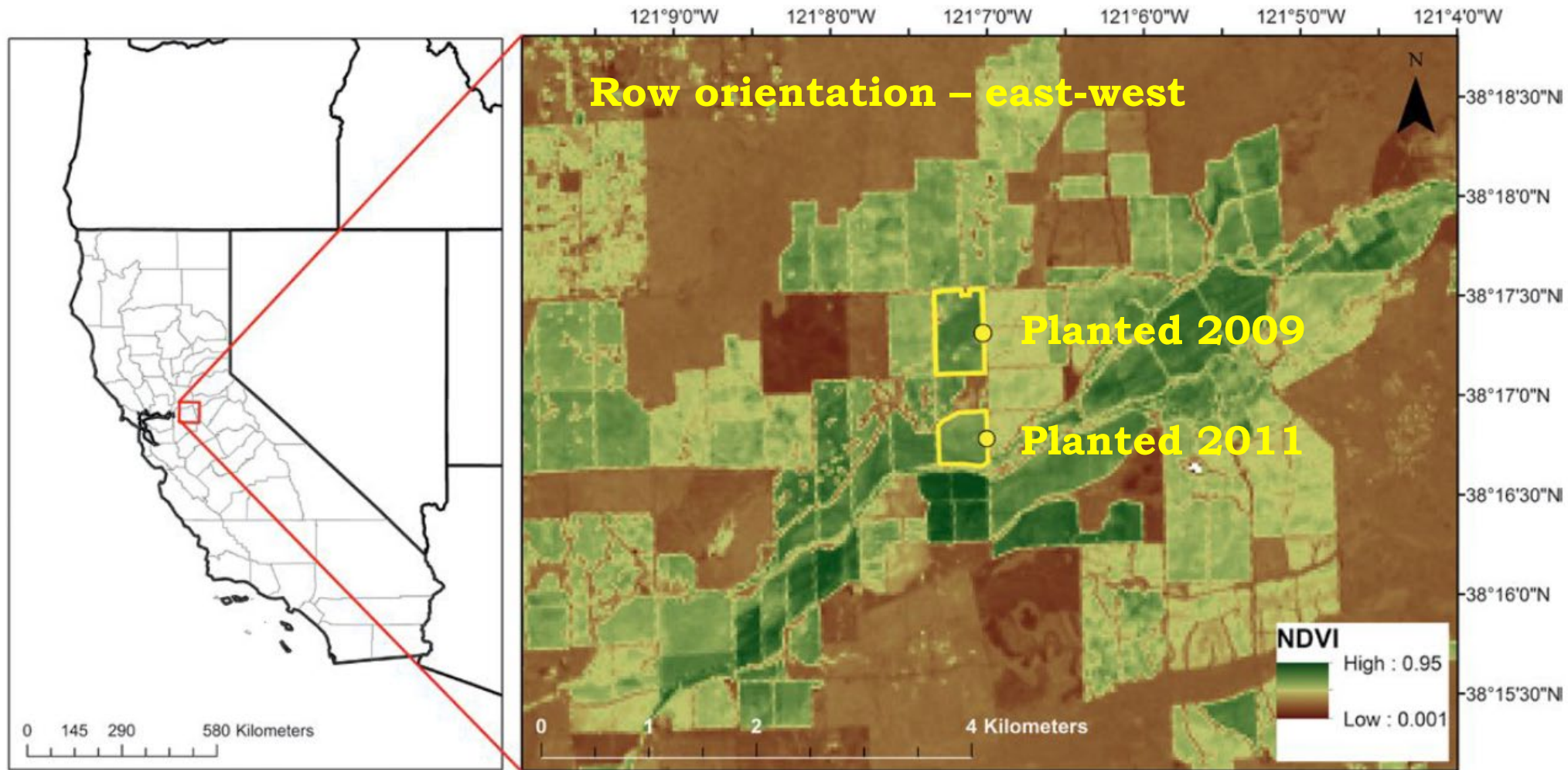


## Objective

Describe the radiation reaching the vineyard floor and to relate the radiation patterns to below canopy energy fluxes

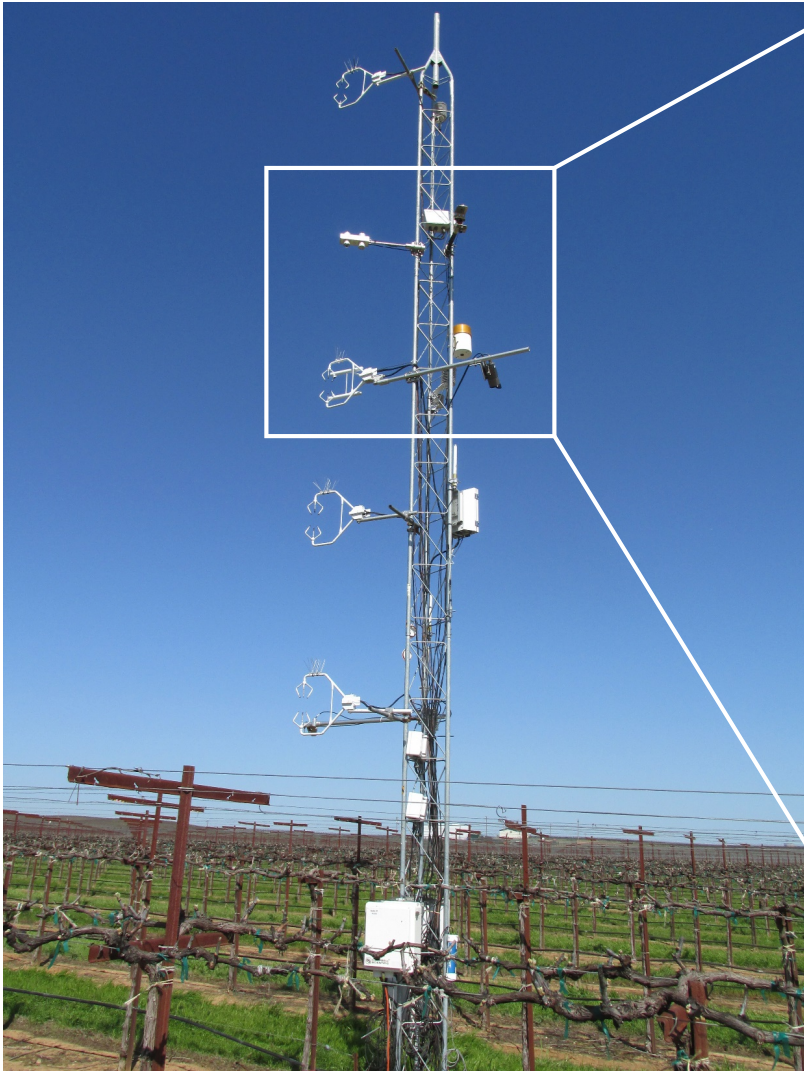


# Pinot Noir vineyards in California





# Above canopy measurements



$$R_n = H + LE$$



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Measurements collected during intensive observation periods (IOPs)

Year	IOP1	IOP2	IOP3	IOP4
2013	10-12 April	10-12 June	5-7 August	
2014	26-28 April	29 June - 1 July	8-10 August	25-27 September
2015*	21-23 April	31 May – 2 June	10-12 July	11-13 August
2016	1-3 May	10-12 June	28-30 July	

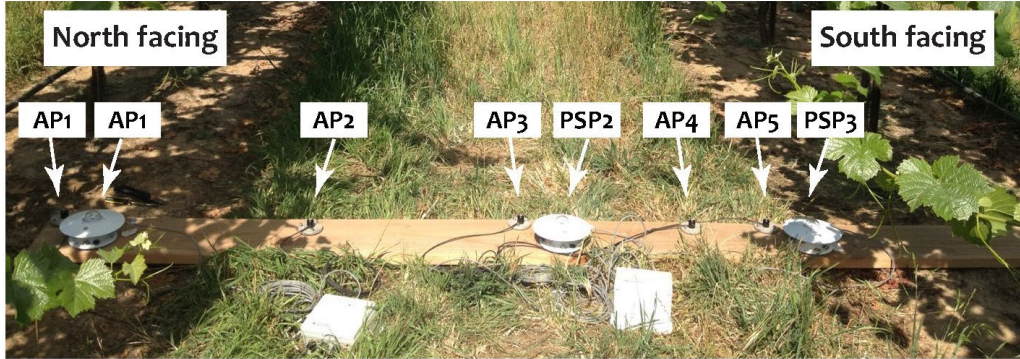
\*Below canopy flux measurements were collected only for the 2015 IOPs



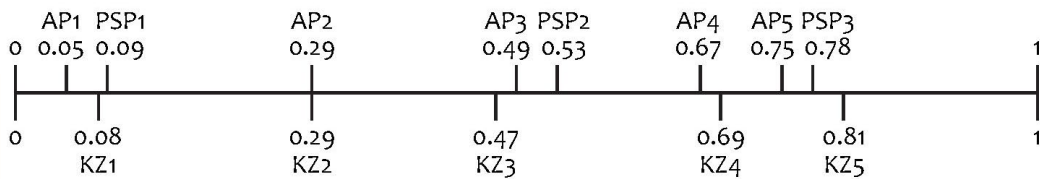


# Below canopy measurements

Relative locations of Apogee (AP) and Epply (PSP) radiation sensors



Relative locations of Kipp & Zonen radiation sensors



Fraction of row width (335 cm) based on distance from north facing vine row

**Soil heat flux transect**

**net radiometer**

6cm  
1cm  
intakes

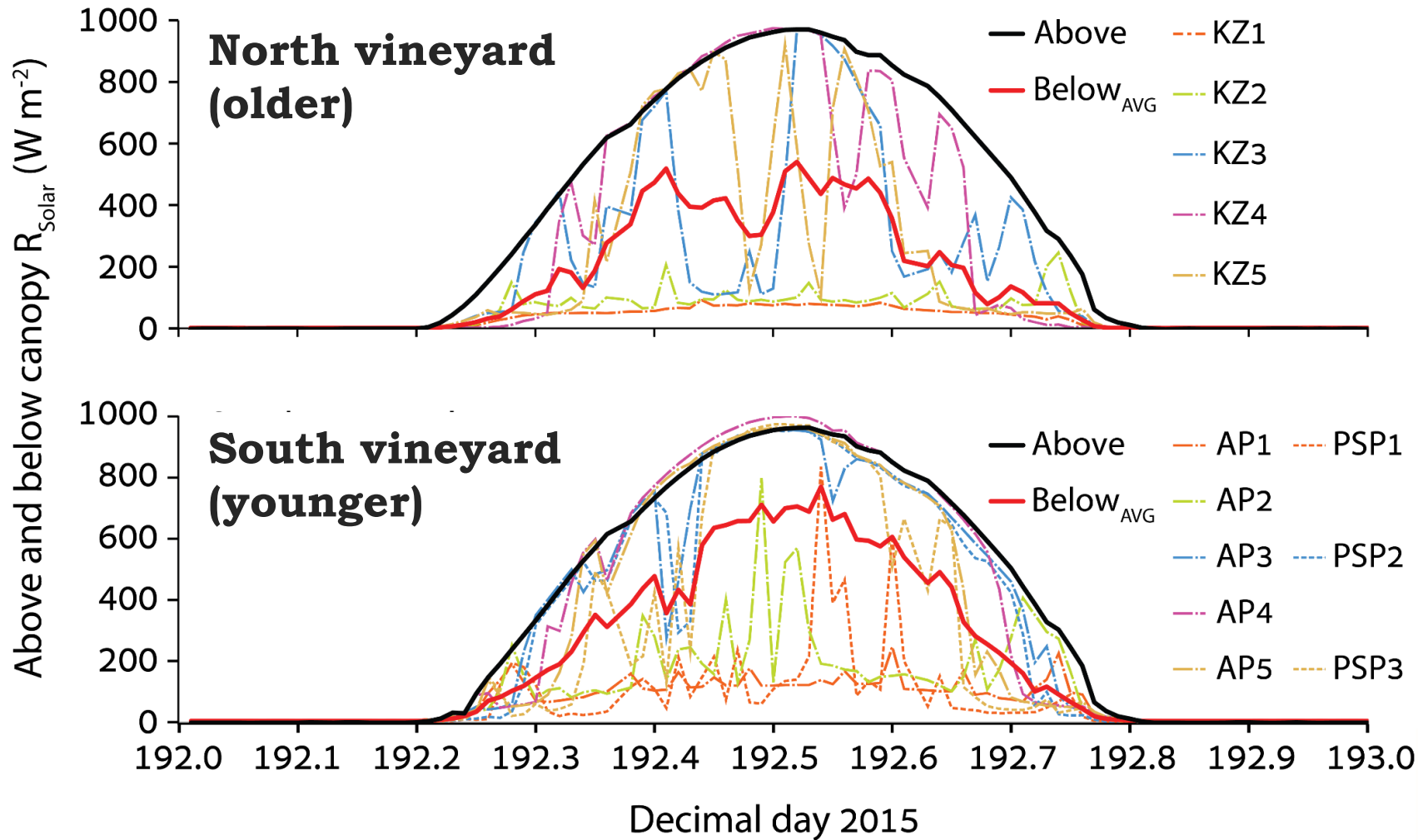
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# Below canopy radiation

11 July 2015  
(IOP3)





# Below canopy energy fluxes

IOP1 - Apr 22



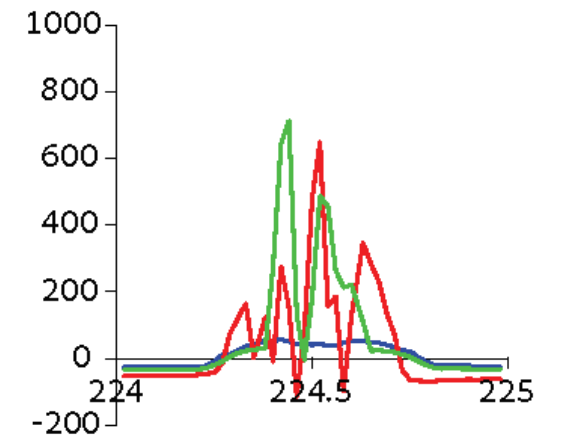
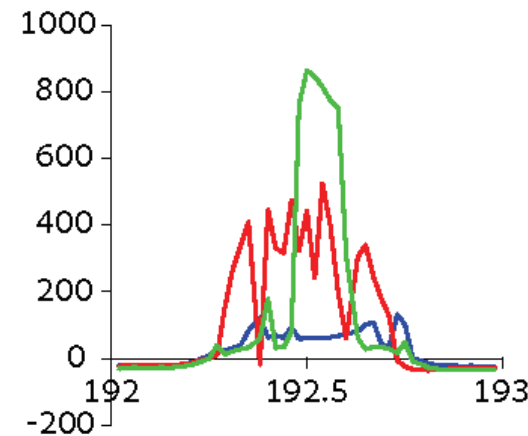
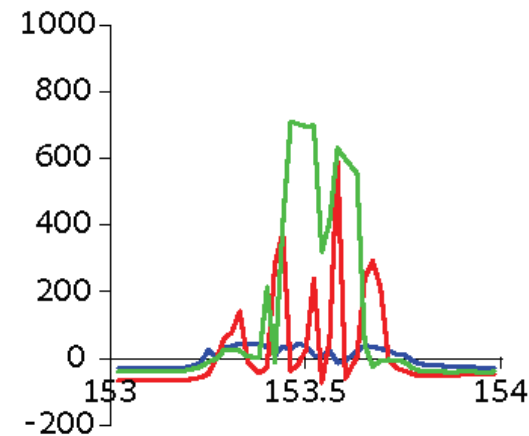
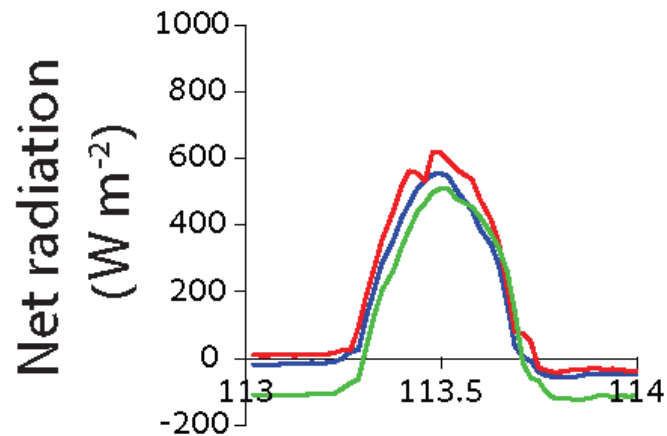
IOP2 - Jun 1



IOP3 - Jul 11



IOP4 - Aug 12



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— North facing — Interrow — South facing



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IOP1 – Apr 22



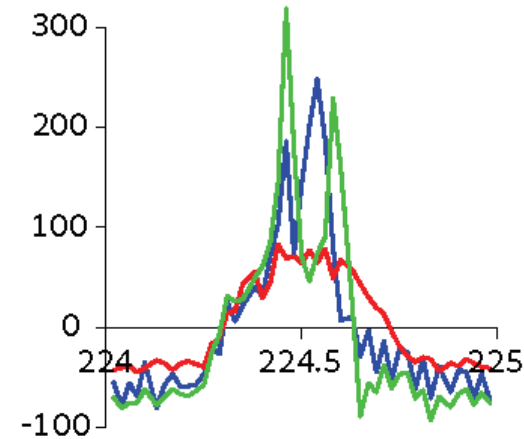
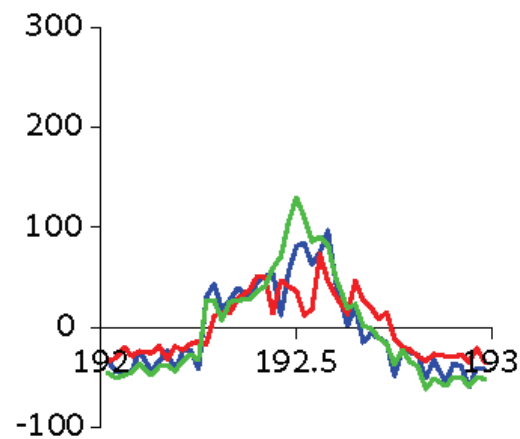
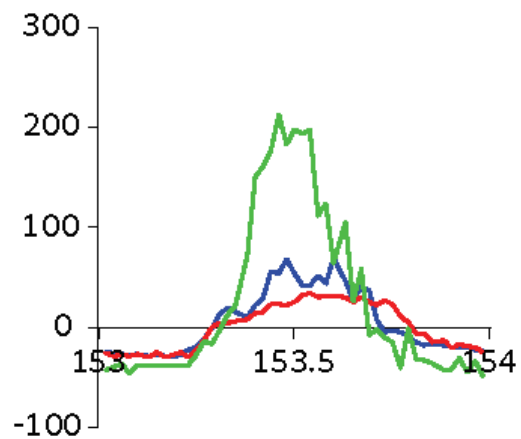
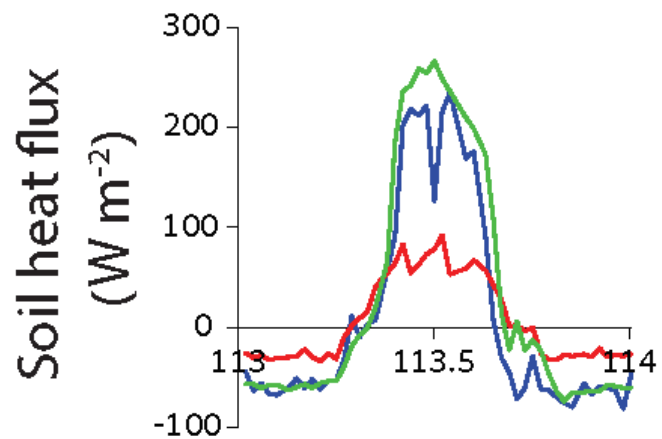
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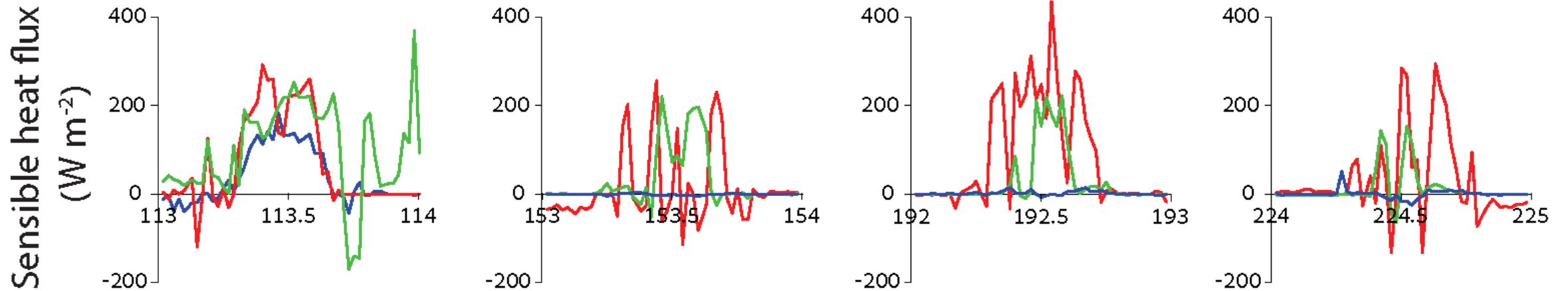
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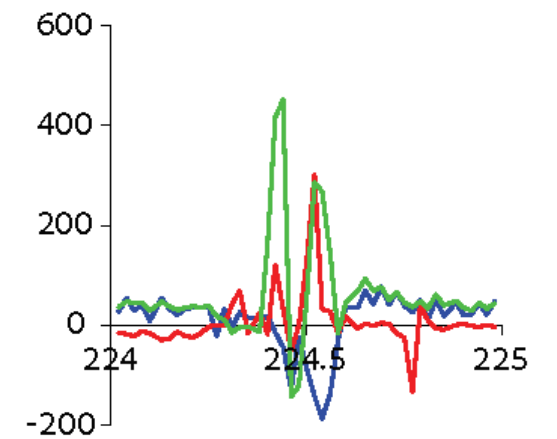
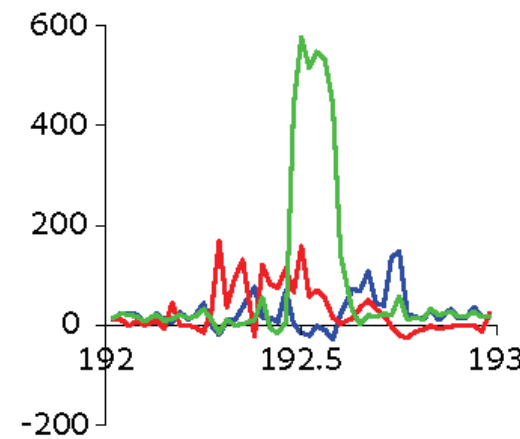
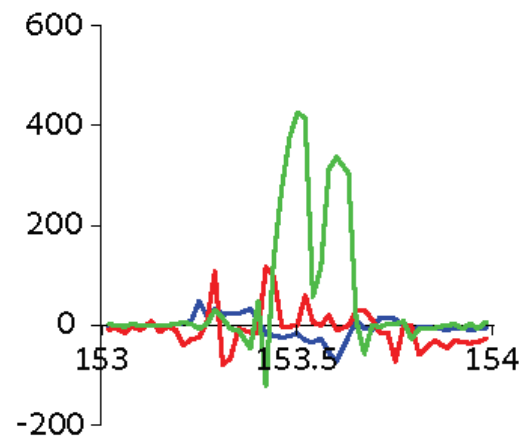
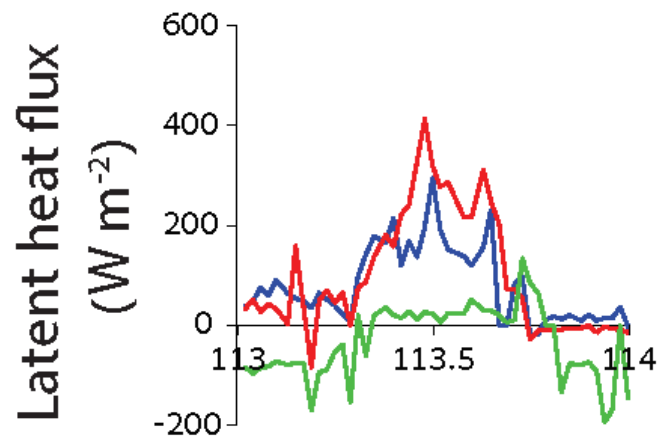
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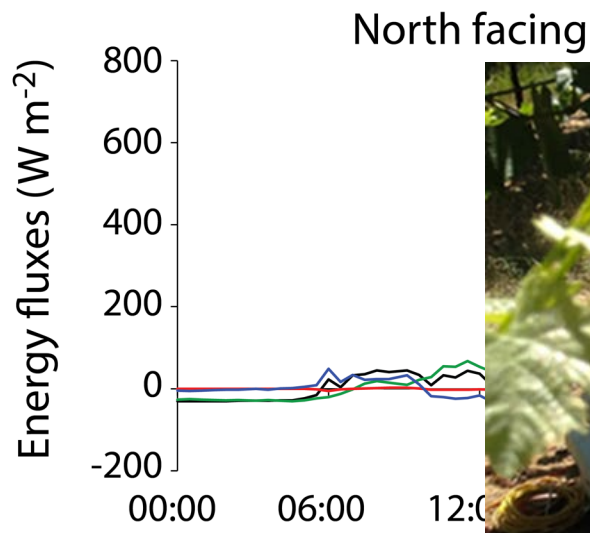
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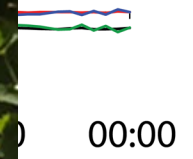
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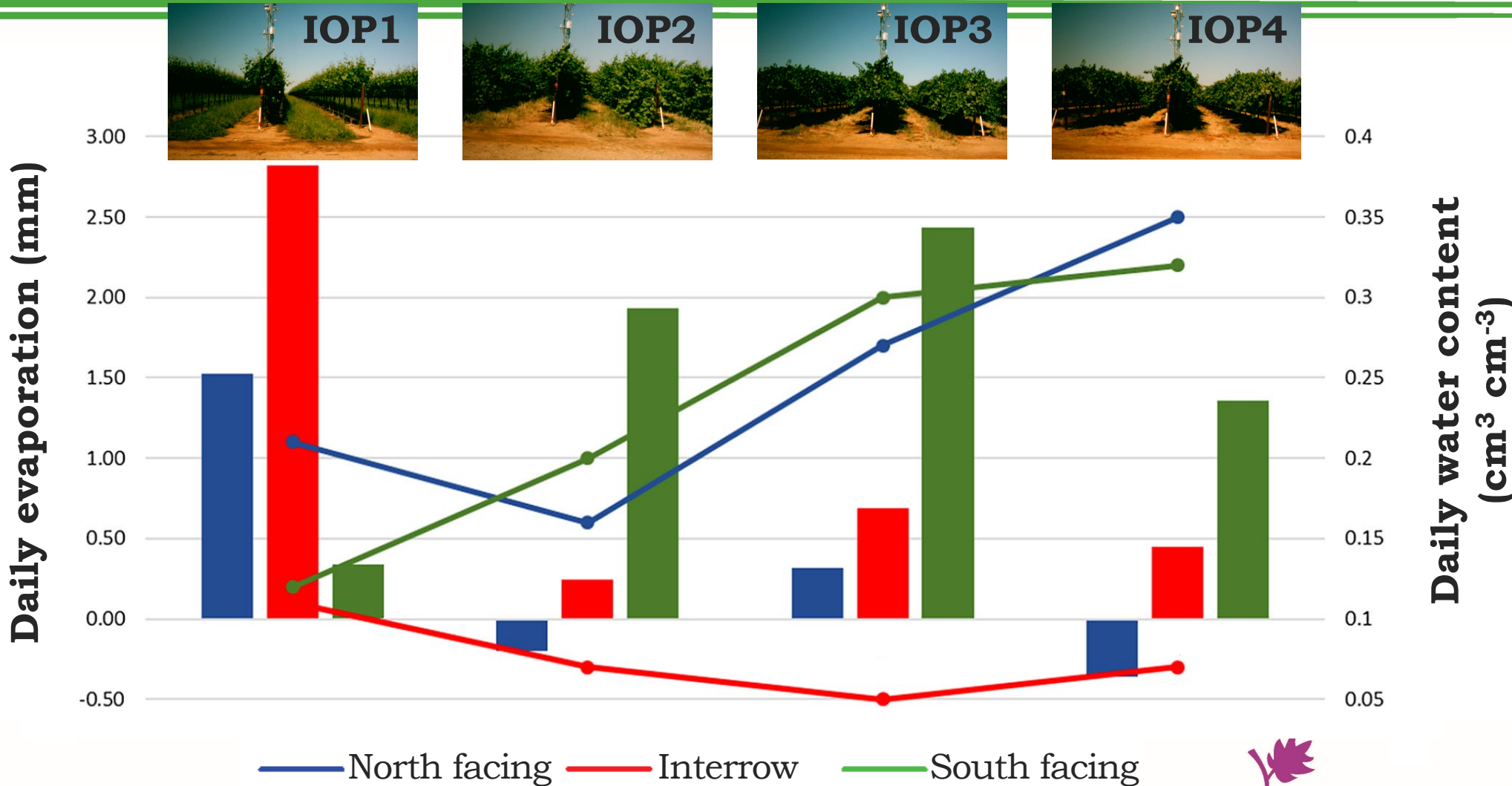


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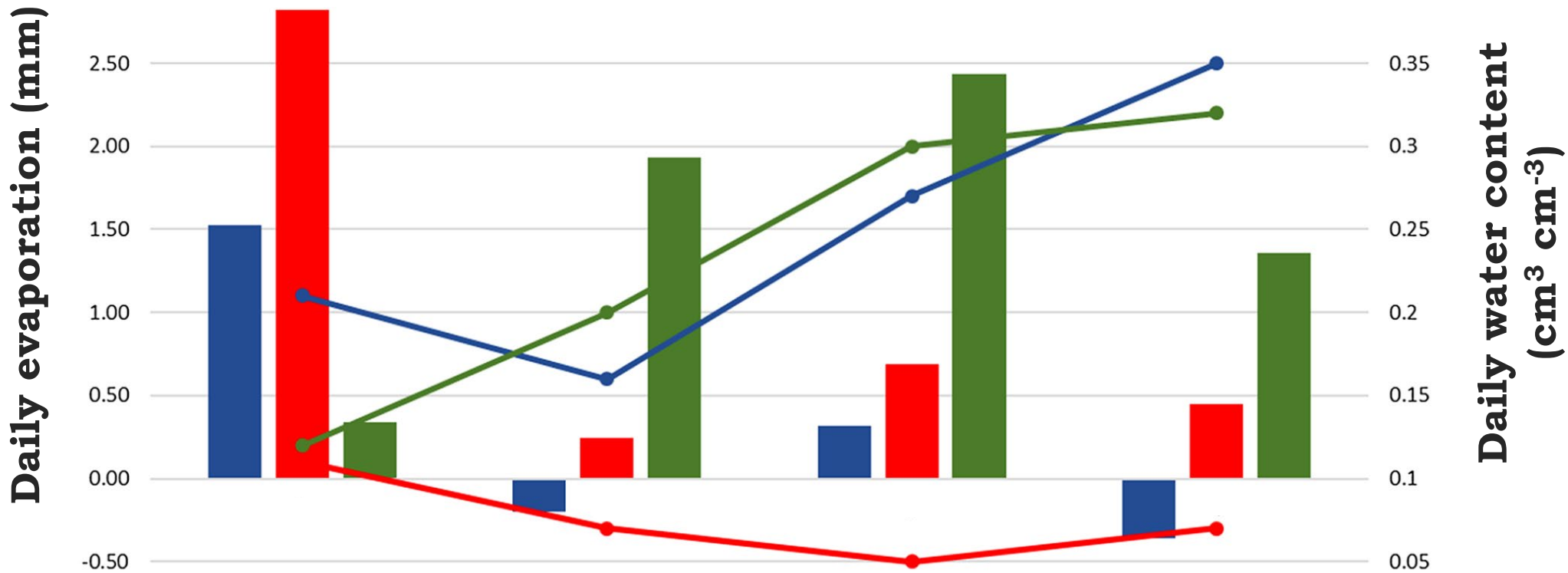
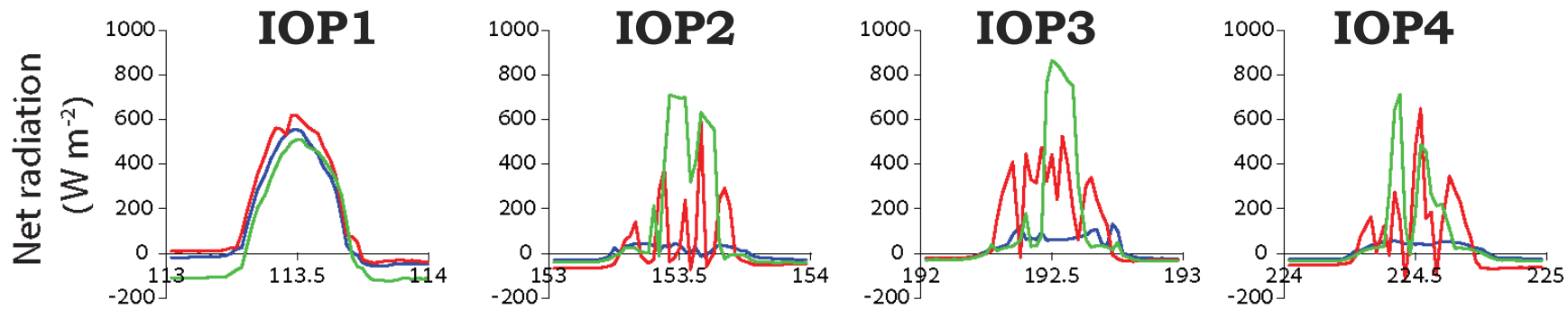




# Radiation and water content are main players







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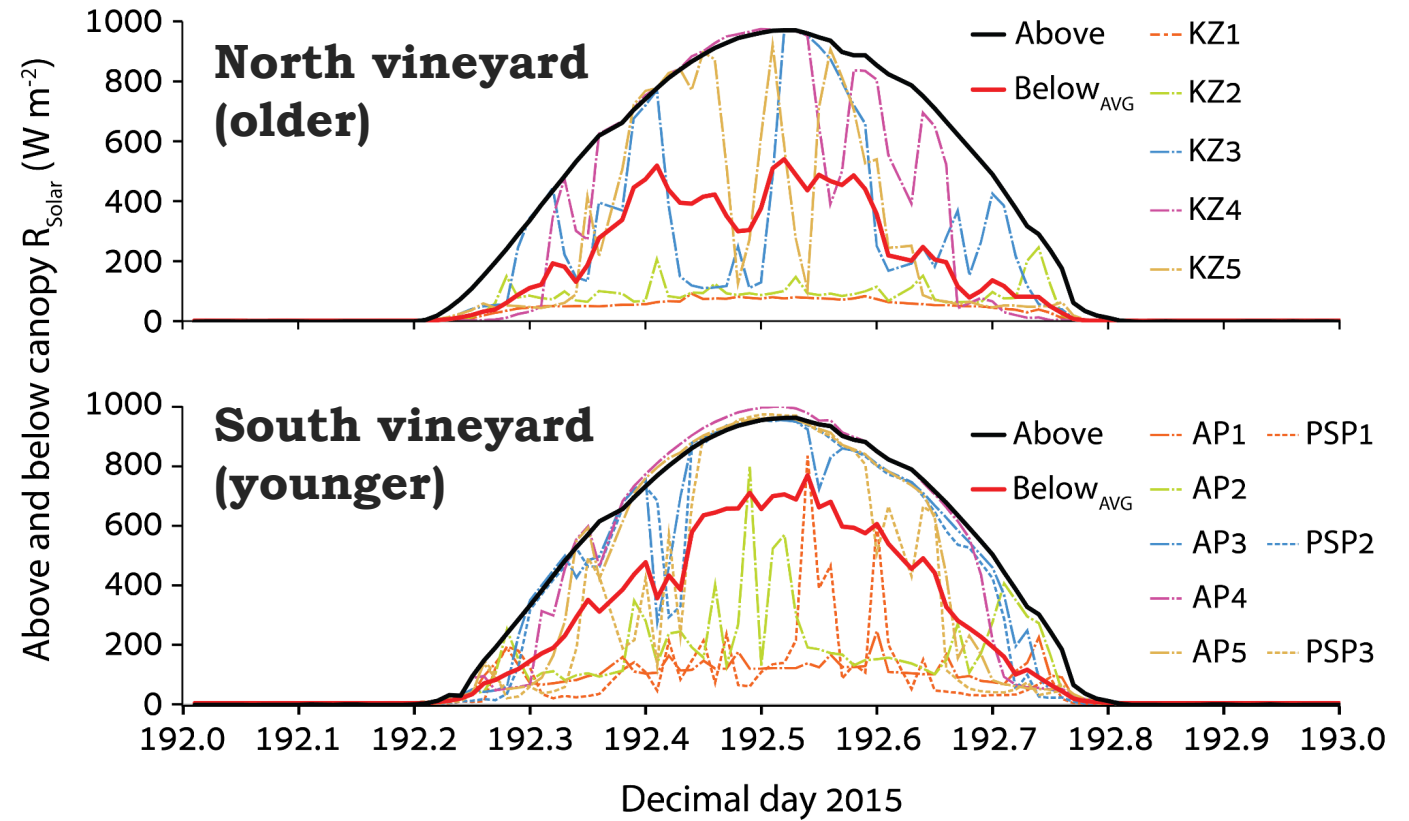
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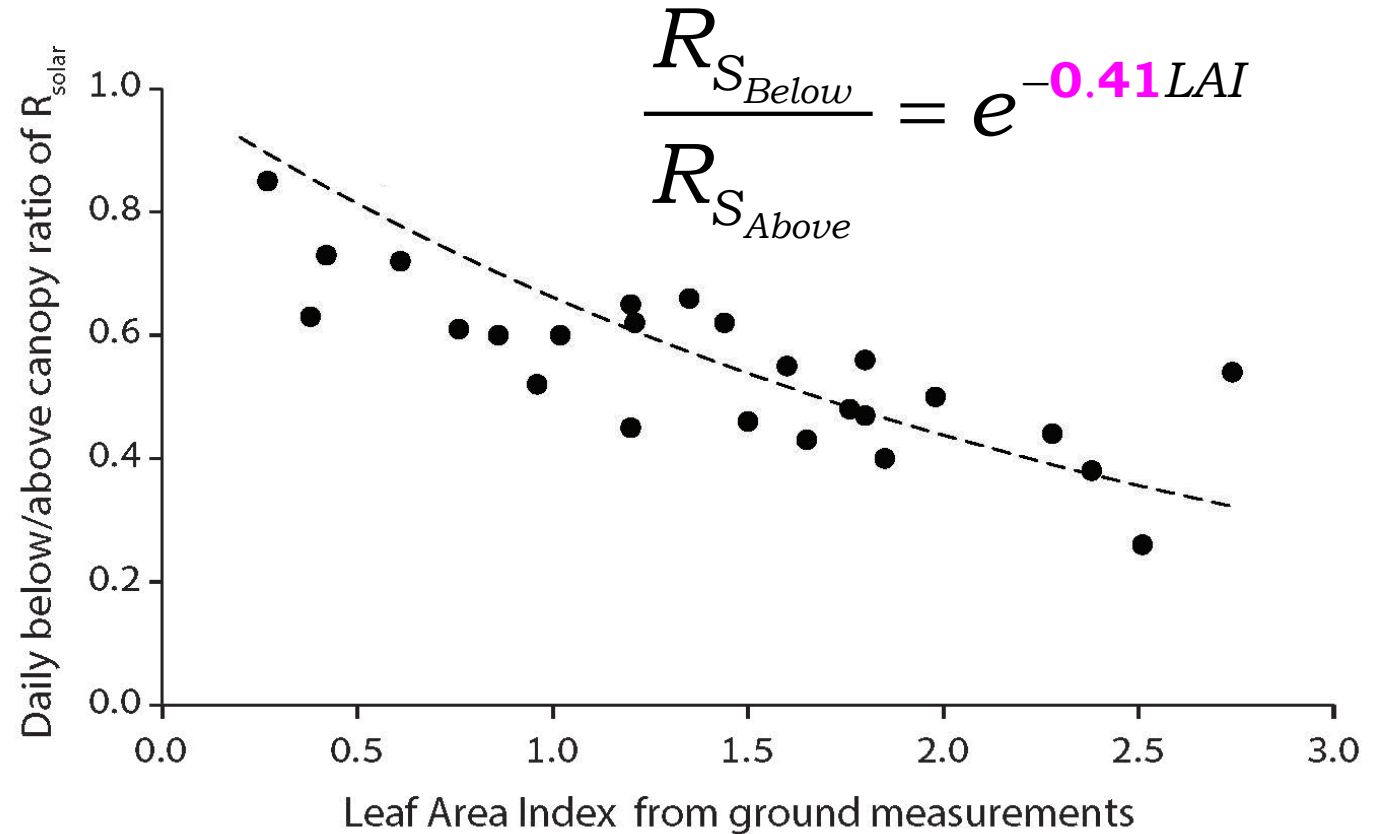
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