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# The CEMRACS project HPC-IIBios: scientific background, motivation and overview

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# 01 Introduction and background





# The CO2 and N2O as main GHG



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#### An important part of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are due to the activity of the soil microorganisms



Riebbek (2011)



#### The CO2 and N2O as main GHG

0,03 % of the total GHG emissions but with a 300-fold greater potential for global warming (Thomson et al 2012)







# The soil matrix



The soil matrix

The complex geometry of the pore space can now be characterized to a high level of detail and quantify its connectivity and topology characterized.





The morphology of the soil matrix affects microbial activity and the gas emissions dynamics to the atmosphere



#### X-ray Computed Tomography





#### The soil matrix

Microorganisms in soil tend to be found in microcolonies, this means that "identical organisms" will face different microhabitat conditions



<sup>1</sup> Compute-aided Detection - Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization



The soil matrix



# Mass transport processes modelling in soil



To take into account mass transport processes in the soil matrix we can use two main group of methods:

Volume of Fluid (VoF); Finite Element (FE) Methods

$$\frac{\partial c}{dt} = \nabla \cdot (D\nabla c) - \nabla \cdot (\vec{v}c) + R \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \text{Solving for t and space}$$

Advantage Relatively low computing time required Issues The complex pore space geometry hard to apply Mathematical resolution difficult and highly specific of the system





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#### Lattice-Boltzmann modelling



From: www.egr.msu.edu/ ~kutay/Lbsite/







# Individual-based modelling



Individual-based modelling



# "Simulation models that treat individuals as unique and discrete entities which have at least two independent properties." (Hellweger and Bucci, 2009) \*

\* Extending a previous definition by Grimm (1999)

IbMs are becoming consolidated in the field. Examples are the µIbMs of: Kreft *et al.* (1998), Dens *et al.* (2005), Bucci *et al.* (2012), Tack *et al.* (2014), and Hellweger *et al.* (2014)



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# The ANR project Soil µ3D: towards more accurate CO<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O gas emissions predictions



Emergent properties of soil microbial functions: upscaling from 3D modeling and spatial descriptors of pore scale heterogeneity (Soilµ-3D)

- Funding agency: The French National Research Agency (ANR)
- □ Starting and ending date: 01/11/2016 to 01/11/2020.
- Quantity: 250 000€
- Participants:
- 29 permanent researchers
- 1 post-doctoral position

- 4 PhD thesis
- 3 Master 2 stages





Future computing time requirements



# Aim of the project Soil µ3D



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# The main goal of the project is to upscale heterogeneities identified at the scale of microhabitats to the soil profile scale.





Aim of the project Soil µ3D



# Use of the model IIBioS in the project Soil µ3D



The model ILBioS is built coupling an Individual-based Model of the soil bacteria to a lattice-Boltzmann model simulating the fluid dynamics and mass transport processes of soluble substrates



#### The model ILBios and the Work Package 3



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#### Integration of descriptors in soil profile models



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# 03 The model IIBioS: Coupling a lattice-Boltzmann approach to a biological individual-based model





## Model conceptualization and description



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Lattice-Boltzmann Nodes







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**Connected Lattice-Boltzmann Nodes** 

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 $\begin{aligned} \mathsf{u}(x, y, z, t) \\ \mathsf{v}(x, y, z, t) \\ \mathsf{w}(x, y, z, t) \\ \rho(x, y, z, t) \\ dt \,\rho + dx \,(u \,\rho) + dy \,(v \,\rho) + dz \,(w \,\rho) = 0 \end{aligned}$ 

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#### Particulate Organic Matter:

Release DOC to the boundary fluid nodes.

$$dt \rho + dx (u \rho) + dy (v \rho) + dz (w \rho) = S_A - S_B$$

Soil bacteria: Uptake DOC from the boundary fluid nodes.



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$$dt \rho + dx (u \rho) + dy (v \rho) + dz (w \rho) = S_A - S_B$$

$$S_{A} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{; if solid or bulk} \\ \frac{k_{POM} m_{j}}{n} & \text{; if boundary liquid} \end{cases}$$

 $m_j$  mass of the POM agent.

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$$dt \rho + dx (u \rho) + dy (v \rho) + dz (w \rho) = S_A - S_B$$

$$S_{B} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{k_{DOC} \rho}{\rho + k_{DOC}} m_{i} \right) ; \text{ if boundary liquid} \right\}$$

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 $m_i$  mass of the bacterium

Model conceptualization and description





General workflow of the model IIBioS







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## General workflow of the model IIBioS



















```
double **f = (double **) calloc(Q, sizeof(double*));
for (q = 0; q < Q; q++) {
    f[q] = (double *) calloc(nsite, sizeof (double));
}</pre>
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double \*rho = (double \*) calloc(nsite, sizeof(double));





















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General workflow of the model IIBioS











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Decreases the DOC content of the LBNode



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# Project HPC-IIBioS: understanding the best HPC strategy for the IIBioS approach





#### Computing time requirements: antecedents



## **Computing time requirements of IBioS**

- □ 3D CT image of 200<sup>3</sup> nodes.
- 10% of porosity.
- 10 bacterial nodes.
- 5 to 15 POM nodes.
- DOC as a single soluble lattice-Boltzmann substrate.
- Single desktop computer.

25 hours of processing time.





#### Model complexity of upcoming IIBioS models





<sup>.077</sup> INRAModel complexity of upcoming IIBioS models



Initial (minimal) conceptualization of a multispecies IbM to reproduce CO<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O flow in natural samples



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# Required lattice-Boltzmann substrates in the minimal system:

# CO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, DOC, NH<sub>4</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>/ NO<sub>3</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O





#### Future computing time requirements



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#### **Computing time requirements of IIBioS**

- □ 3D CT image of 200<sup>3</sup> nodes.
- □ 10 % of porosity.
- 1 000 000 bacterial nodes
- 5 to 25 POM nodes.
- O2, DOC, NH4, NO2 / NO3

#### 125-150 hours of processing time.

In any case, a non practical amount of time to perform simulation experiments



Future computing time requirements



#### Parallelisation strategy of HPC-IIBioS



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Parallelisation strategy of HPC-IIBioS





#### 100 x Speed up for lattice-Boltzmann models using GPU (Banari et al., 2014)



**Parallelisation strategy of HPC-IIBioS** 



Future need of increasing the resolution of the 3D CT images



**Parallelisation strategy of HPC-IIBioS** 



## Thank you very much for your attention. Any question?

Anyhow, a lot to be done yet ...



#### IlBioS for an in depth study of the soil!!!



