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# High-resolution hydrologic dynamics of the Nadadish experimental catchment in Chuzhou Scientific Hydrology Laboratory, China

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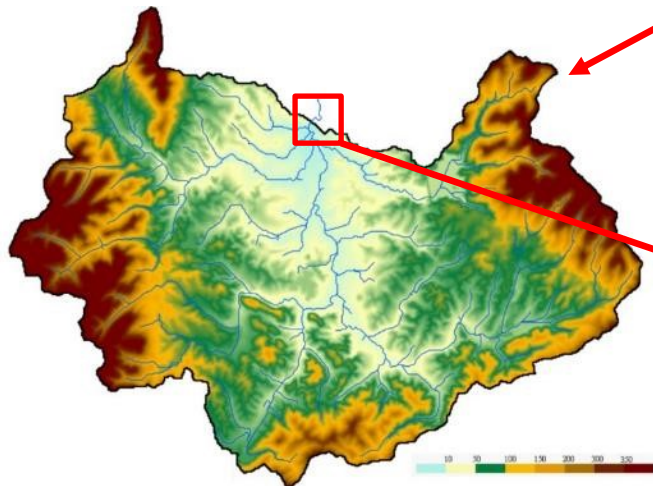
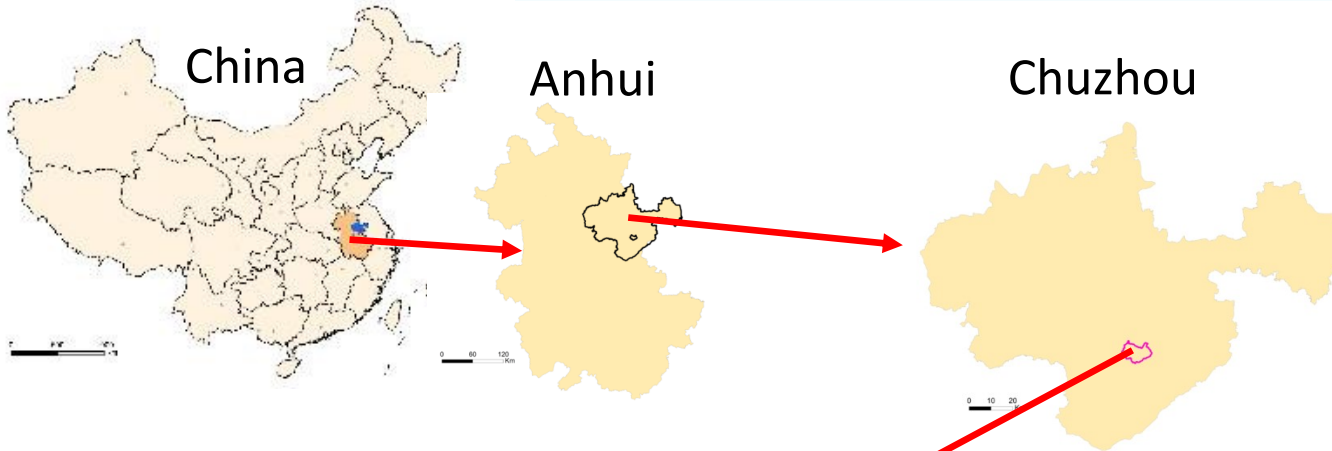
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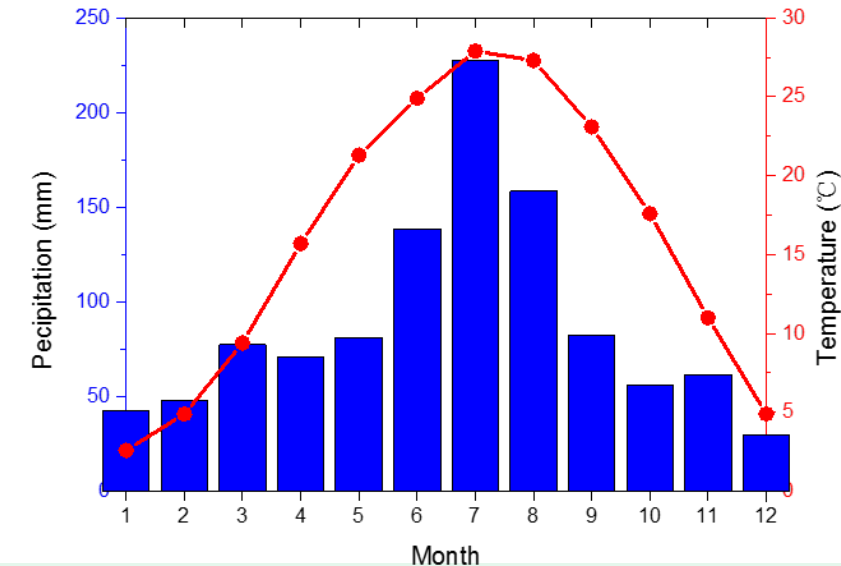
## 1.1 Chuzhou Scientific Hydrology Laboratory (CSHL)

### Watershed parameters

Length of the main stream	13.7 km
Slope of the watershed	1.6 m/km <sup>2</sup>
Slope of river channel	4.7‰
Shape coefficient	1.5
Average annual temperature	14.9 °C
Highest temperature	41.8 °C
Lowest temperature	-17.1 °C
Average annual precipitation	1007.7 mm
Average annual evaporation	891.0 mm
Average annual runoff	300.0 mm



Huashan Watershed

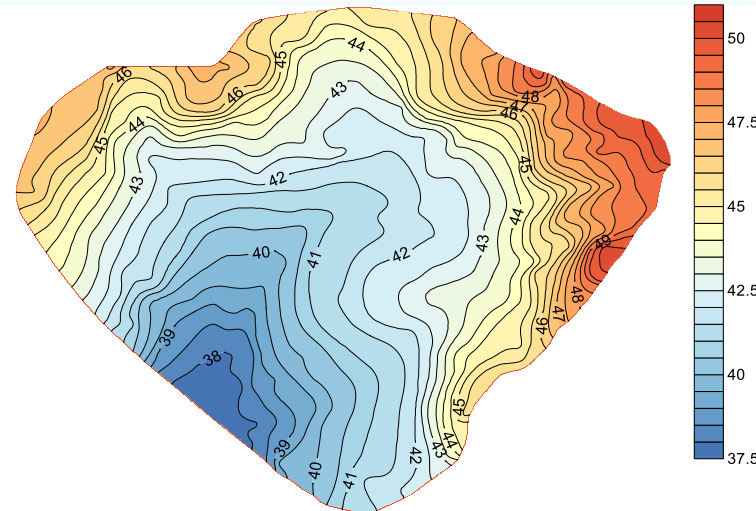


Precipitation and temperature <sup>3</sup>

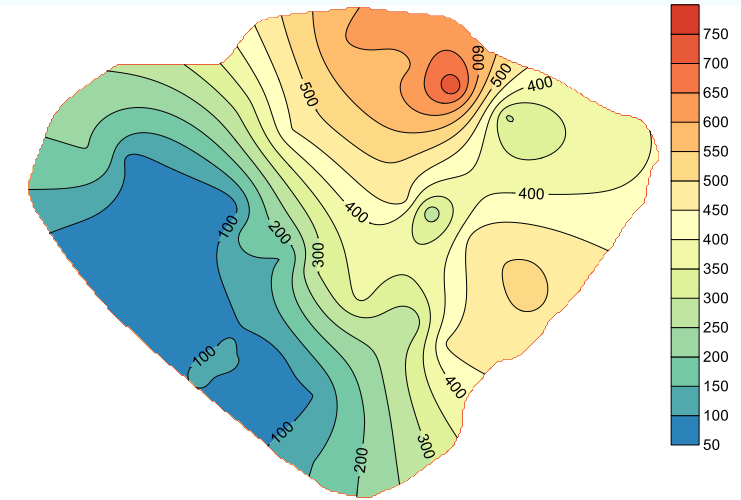


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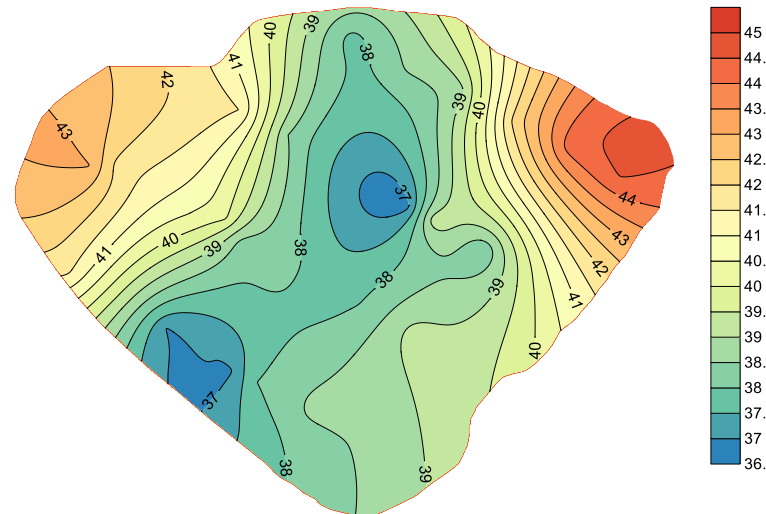
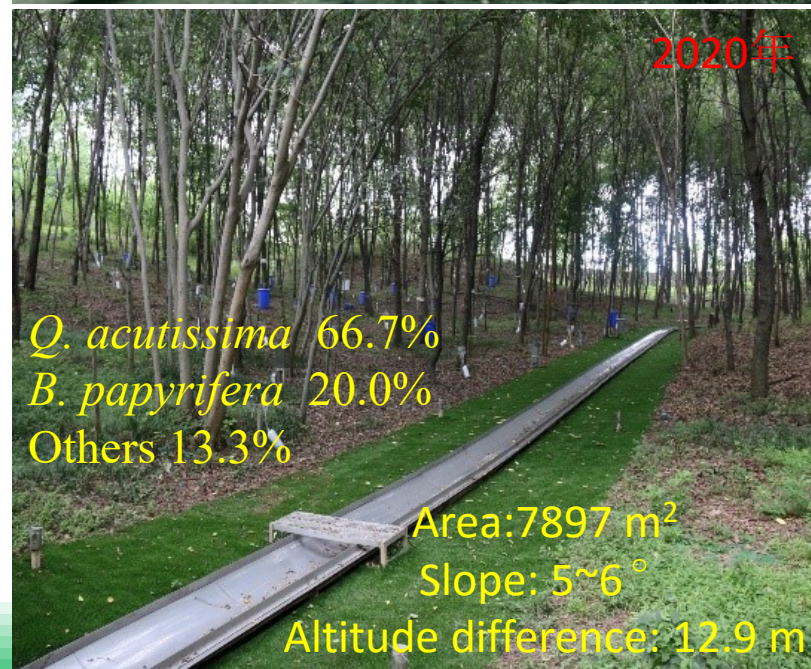
## 1.2 Nandadish (NDD) experimental catchment



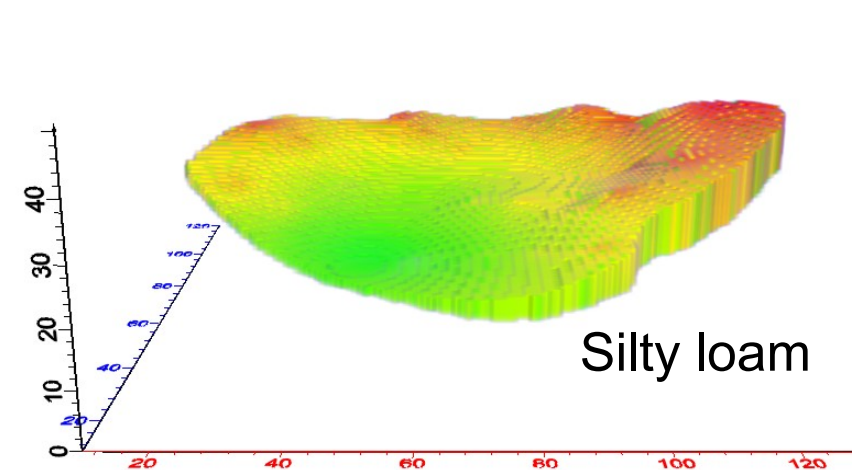
Surface topographic contour



Distribution of soil depth



Bedrock topographic contour



3-D distribution of soil depth

Silty loam



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# 2. Instrumentation of Nandadish

## 2.1 Precipitation and Sap flow



TBRs over trees

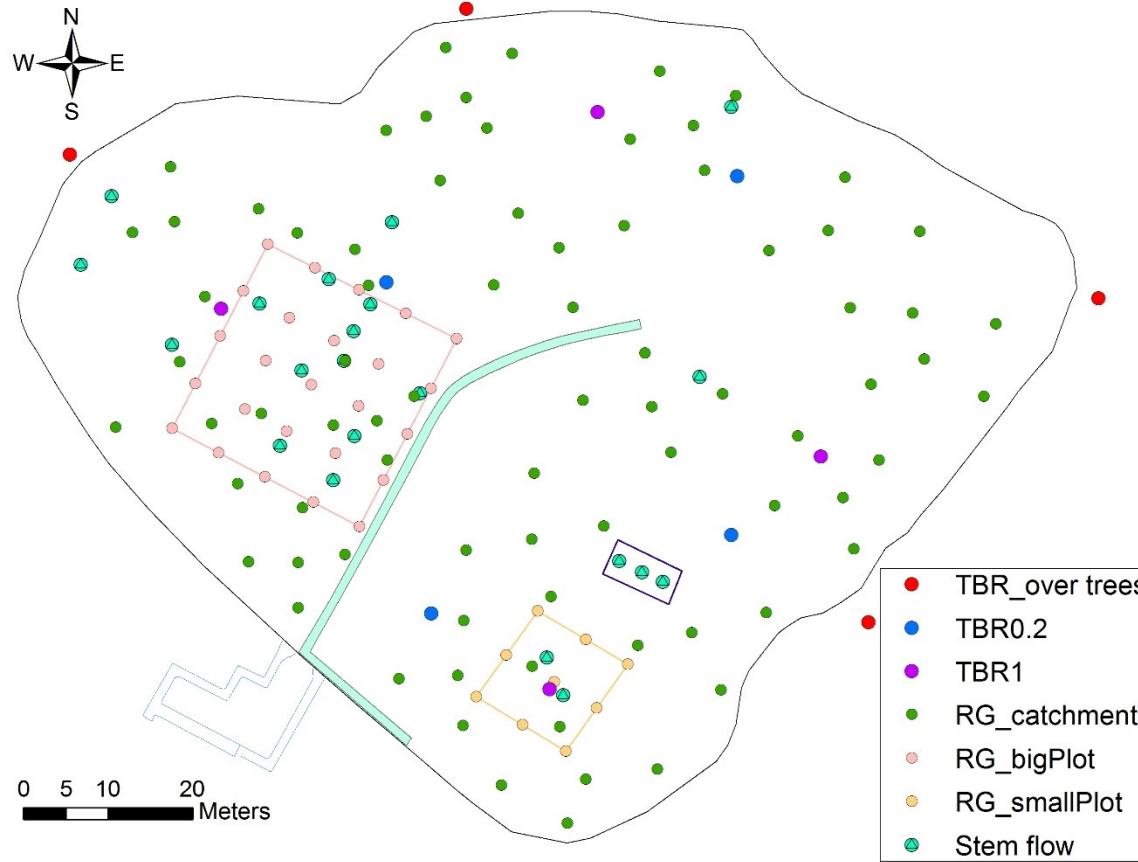


TBRs under trees



Stem flow meter

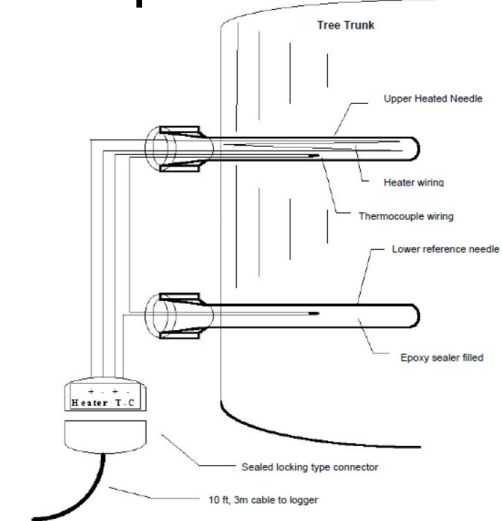
3 species,  
24 trees



Rainfall sensor distribution



Sap flow meter



TDP

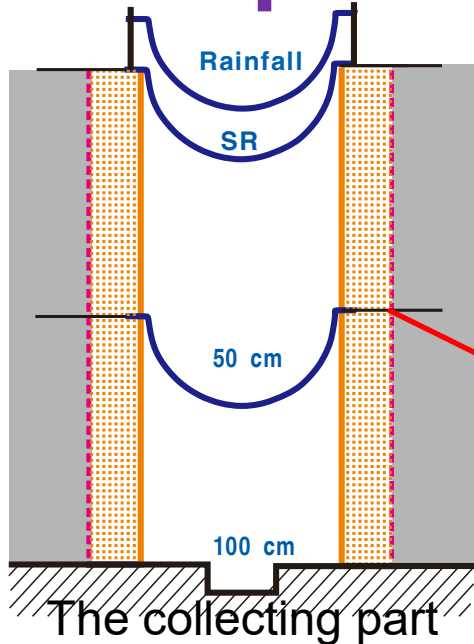


Rainfall station under trees

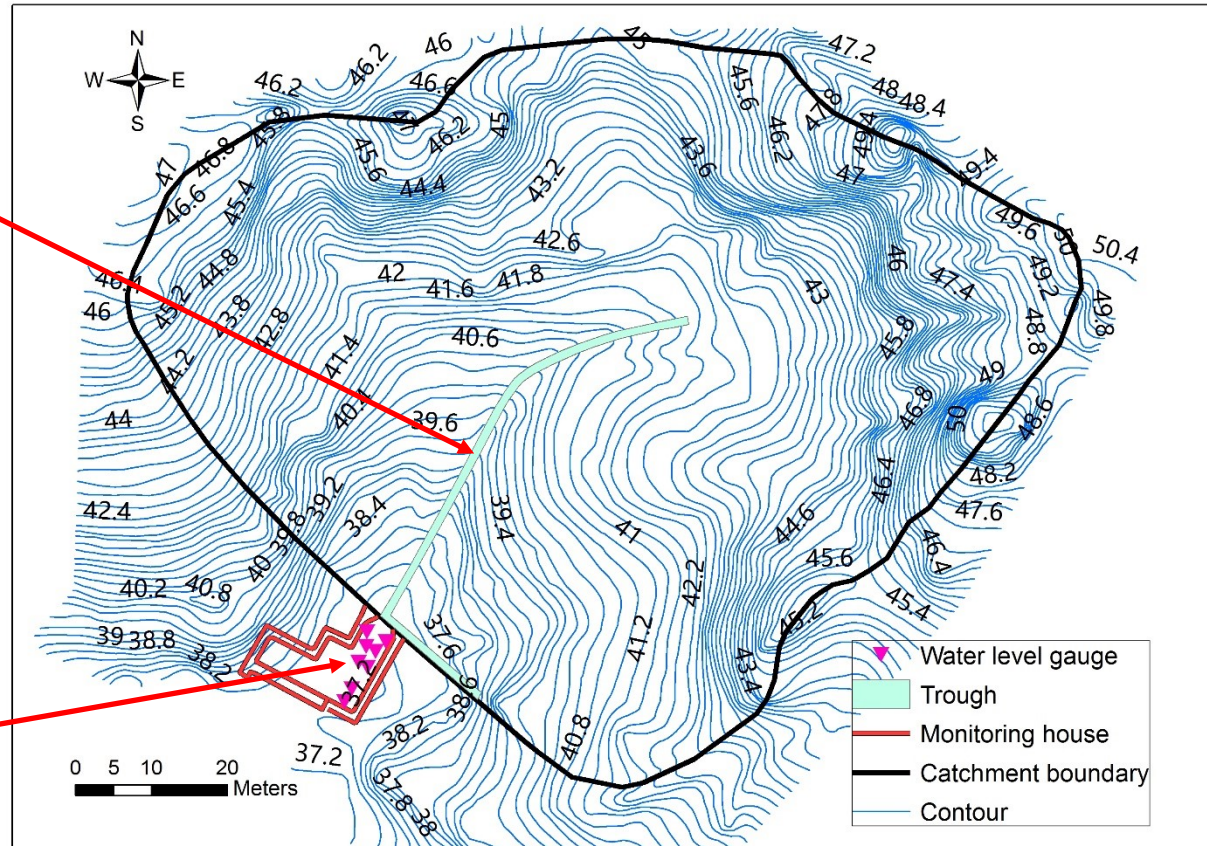


# 2. Instrumentation of Nandadish

## 2.2 Separate Runoff



The gauging part



Separate runoff measuring system



Pressure-type  
water level gauge



magnetostriction  
water level gauge

$$R_T = R_C + R_S + R_{50} + R_{100}$$

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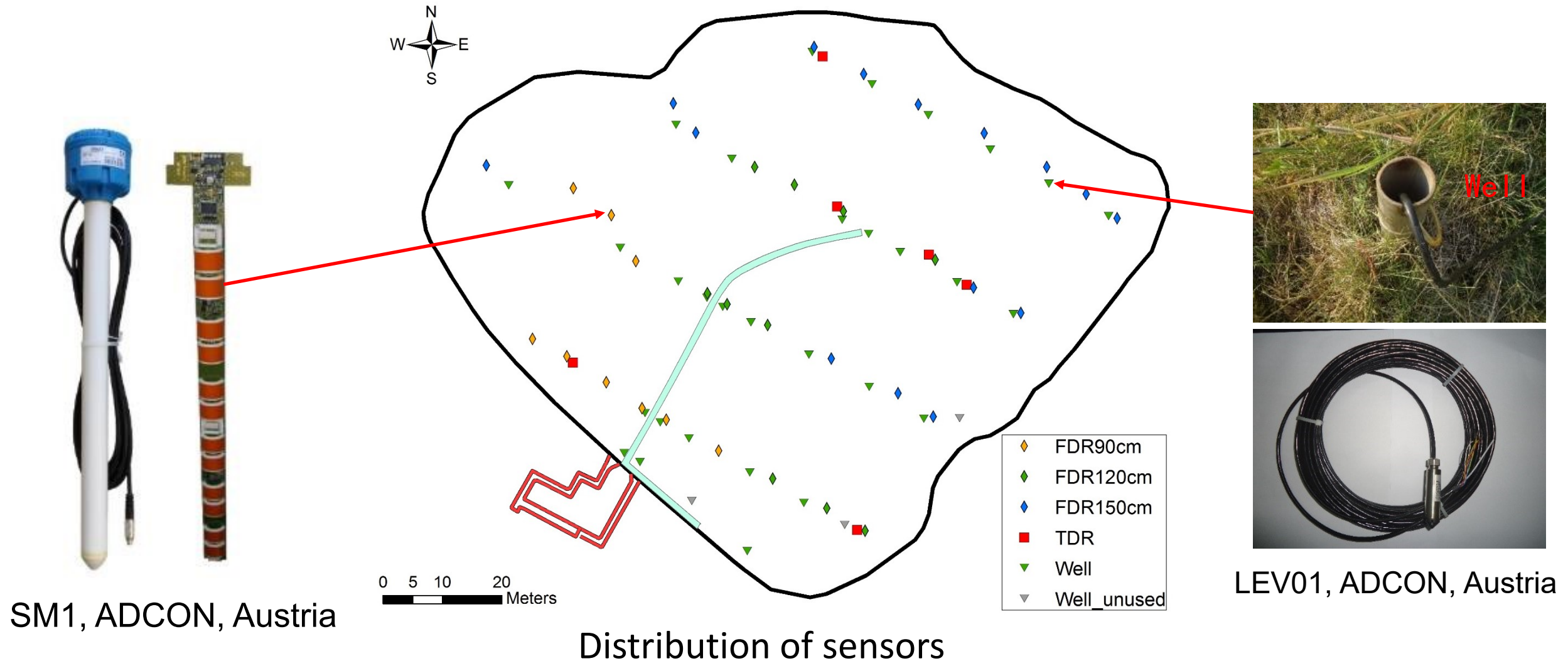
Event runoff coefficient:

$$\alpha_{i,j} = R_{i,j} / P_j$$



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## 2.3 Soil moisture and Groundwater level

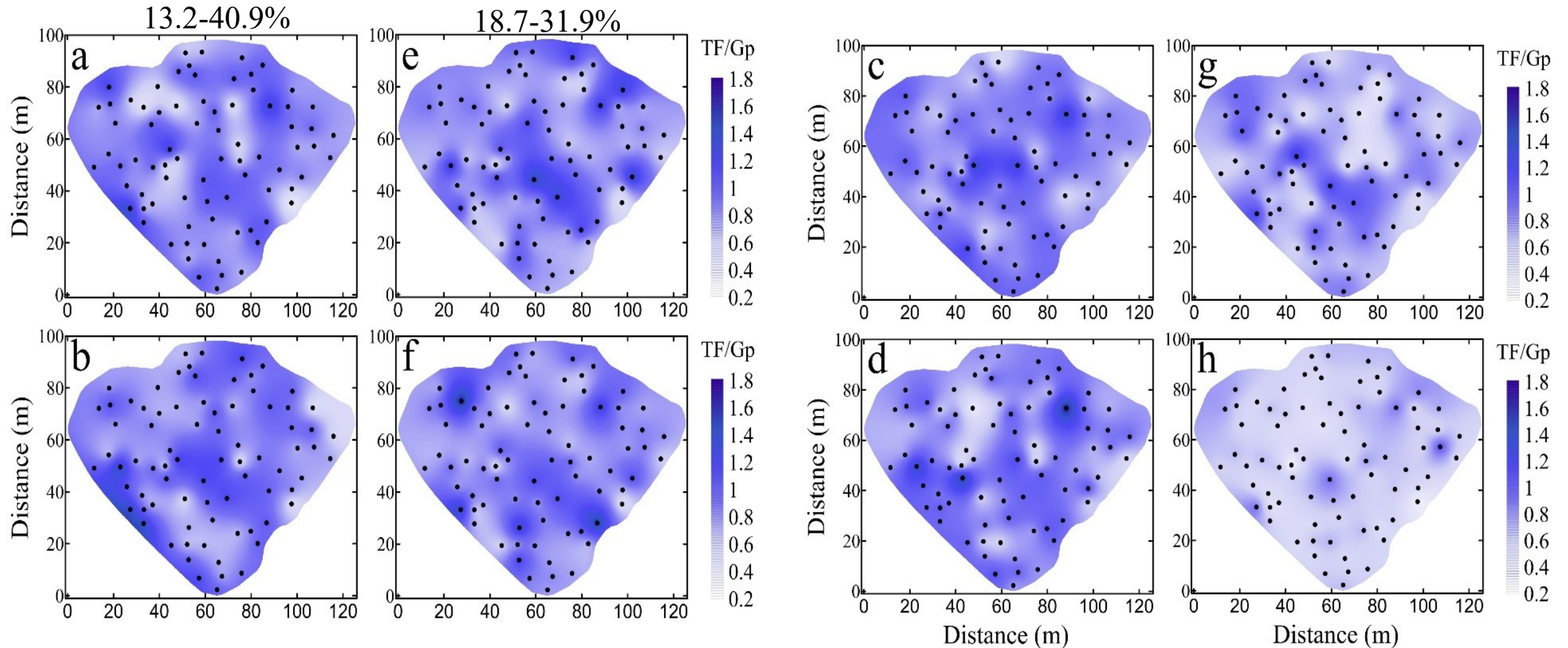


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# 3. Results and Discussion

## 3.1 Variability of throughfall in NDD

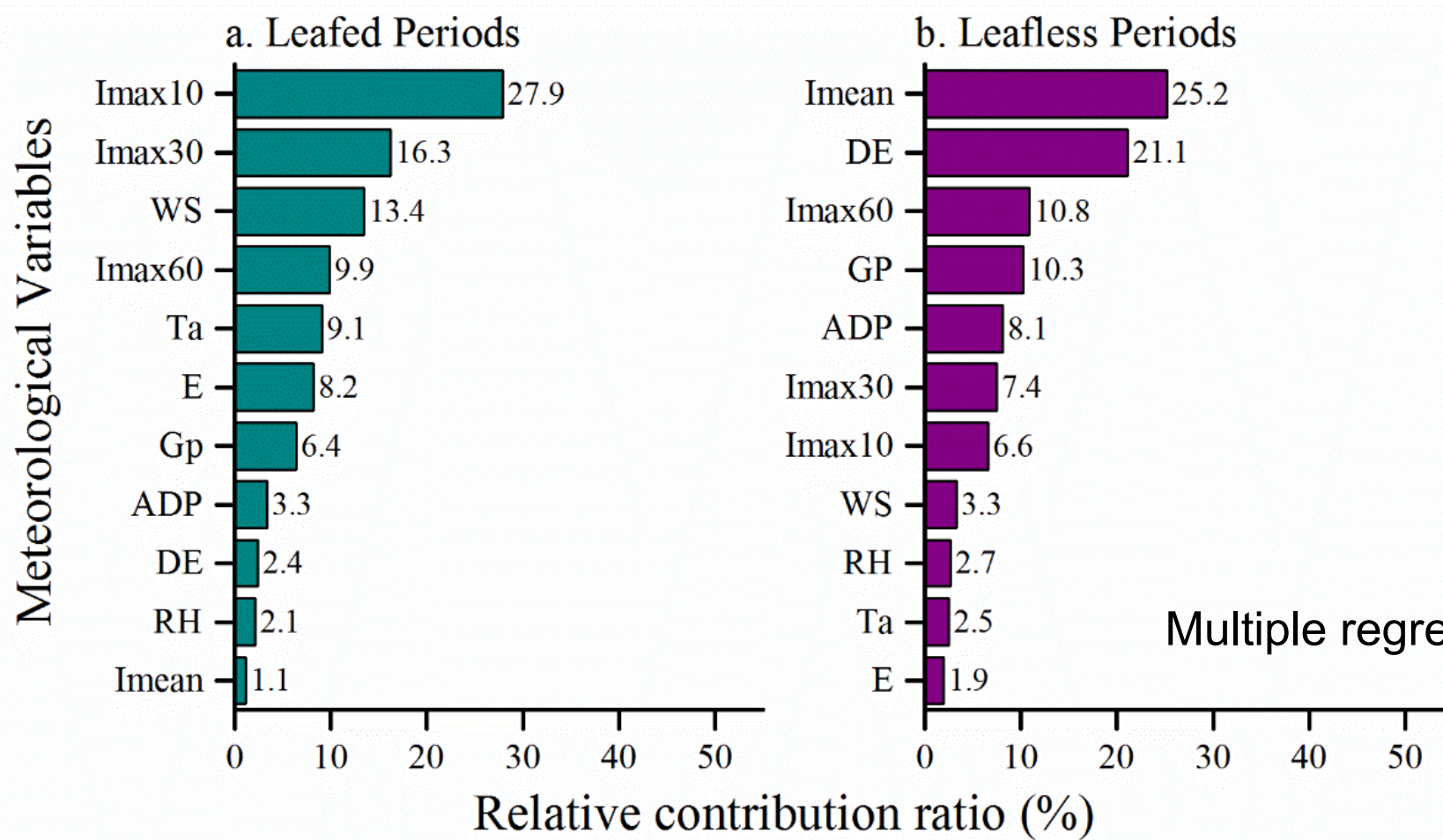


TF/Gp for selected rainfall events. (a, b, c, d) Rainfall events during the leafed periods; (e, f, g, h) Rainfall events during the leafless periods; TF/Gp represents the proportion of throughfall amounts of Gp.



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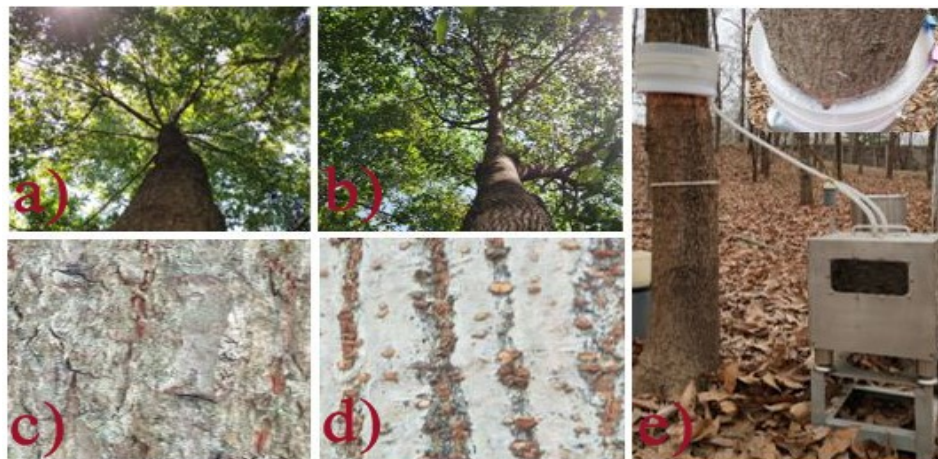
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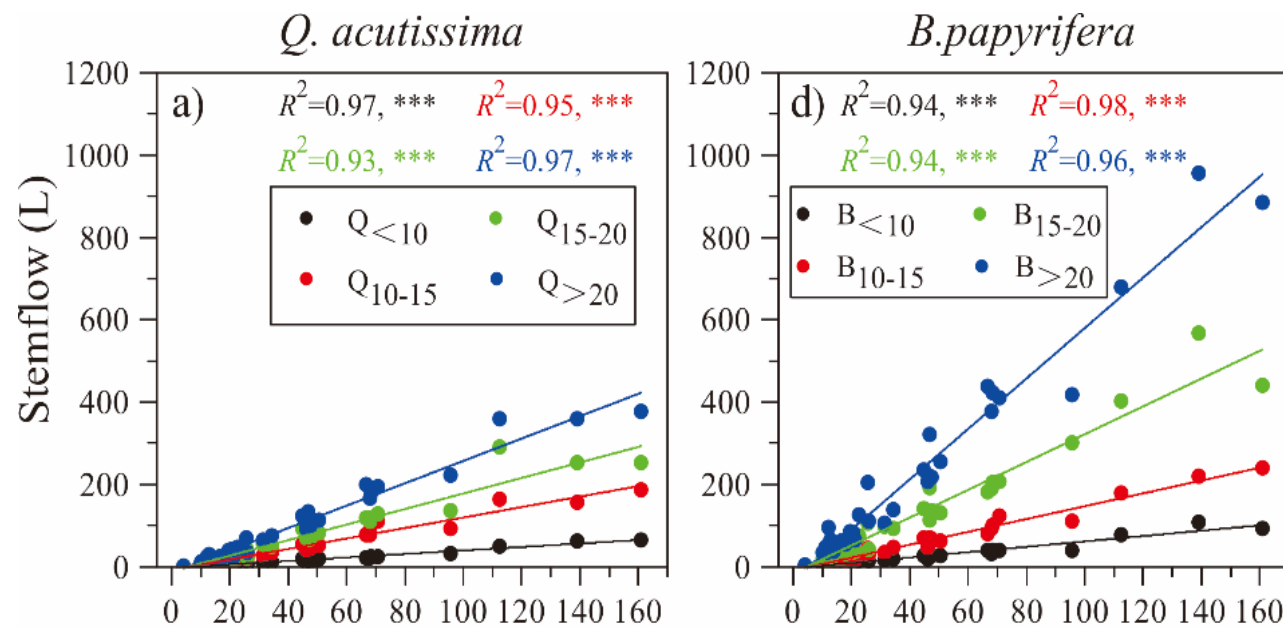
Relative contribution ratio (%) of meteorological variables to  $CV_{TF}$  during the leafed and the leafless periods. (a) The leafed periods; (b) The leafless periods. The number represent the relative contribution ratio of individual meteorological factor to  $CV_{TF}$

# 3. Results and Discussion

## 3.2 Stem flow in NDD



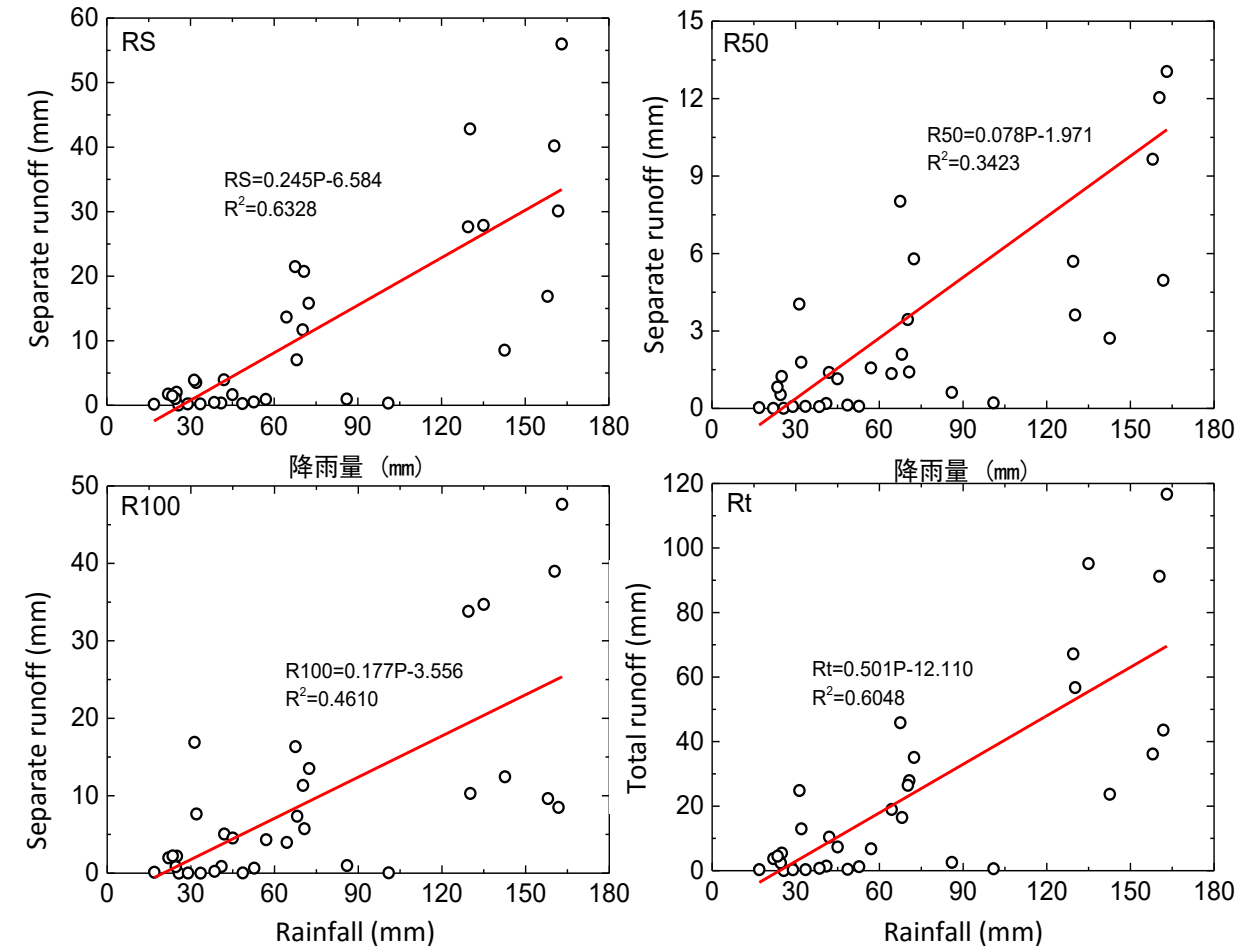
Photograph of a) *Q. acutissima* canopy structure, b) *B. papyrifera* canopy structure, c) *Q. acutissima* bark structure, d) *B. papyrifera* bark structure, e) Tipping-bucket stemflow meters, f) geographic location for the Nandadish experimental field.



The threshold GP for generating stemflow was 6.0 mm, 5.6 mm, 5.4 mm and 5.5 mm for  $Q_{<10}$ ,  $Q_{10-15}$ ,  $Q_{15-20}$  and  $Q_{>20}$ , respectively, while 5.8 mm, 5.4 mm, 4.3 mm and 5.2 mm for  $B_{<10}$ ,  $B_{10-15}$ ,  $B_{15-20}$ , and  $B_{>20}$ , respectively.

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## 3.3 Rainfall-separate runoffs relation (RSRR) in NDD



Parameters in RSRR

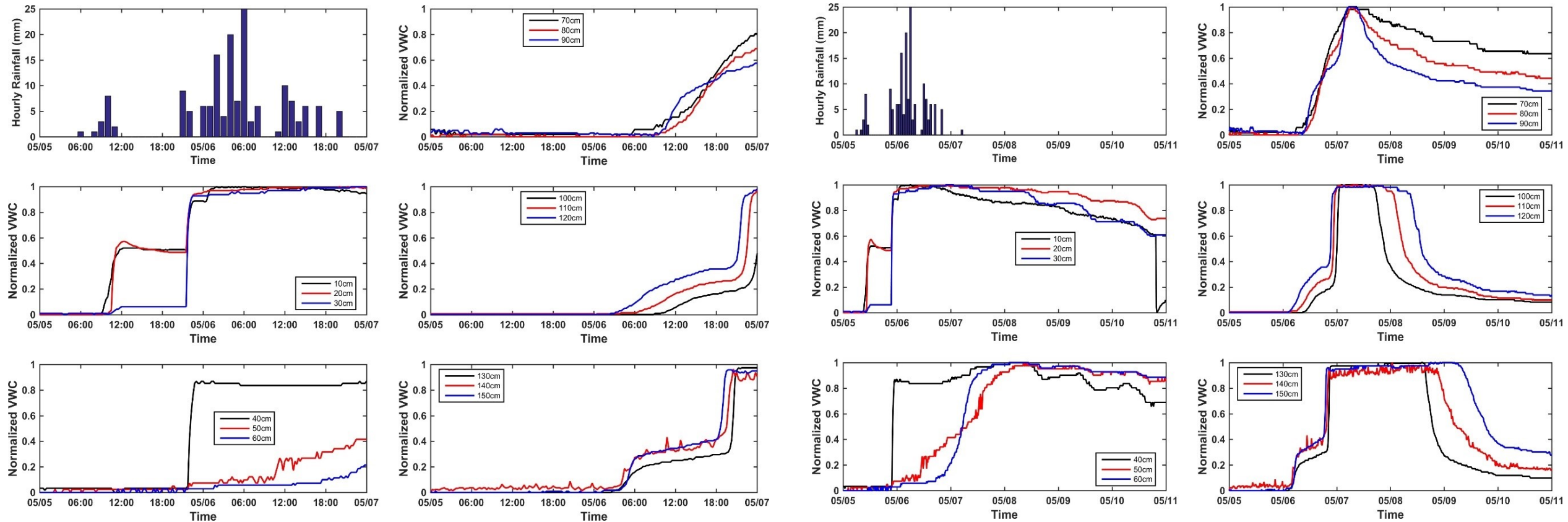
Runoff	RS	R50	R100	Rt
Slope	0.245	0.078	0.177	0.501
Runoff coefficient	0.154	0.051	0.128	0.333
Runoff portion	46.3%	15.2%	38.5%	100%
Qmax (L/s)	74.6	49.4	13.5	118.8

RSRR in the recent period



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## 3.4 Depths of soil distinction layers in NDD

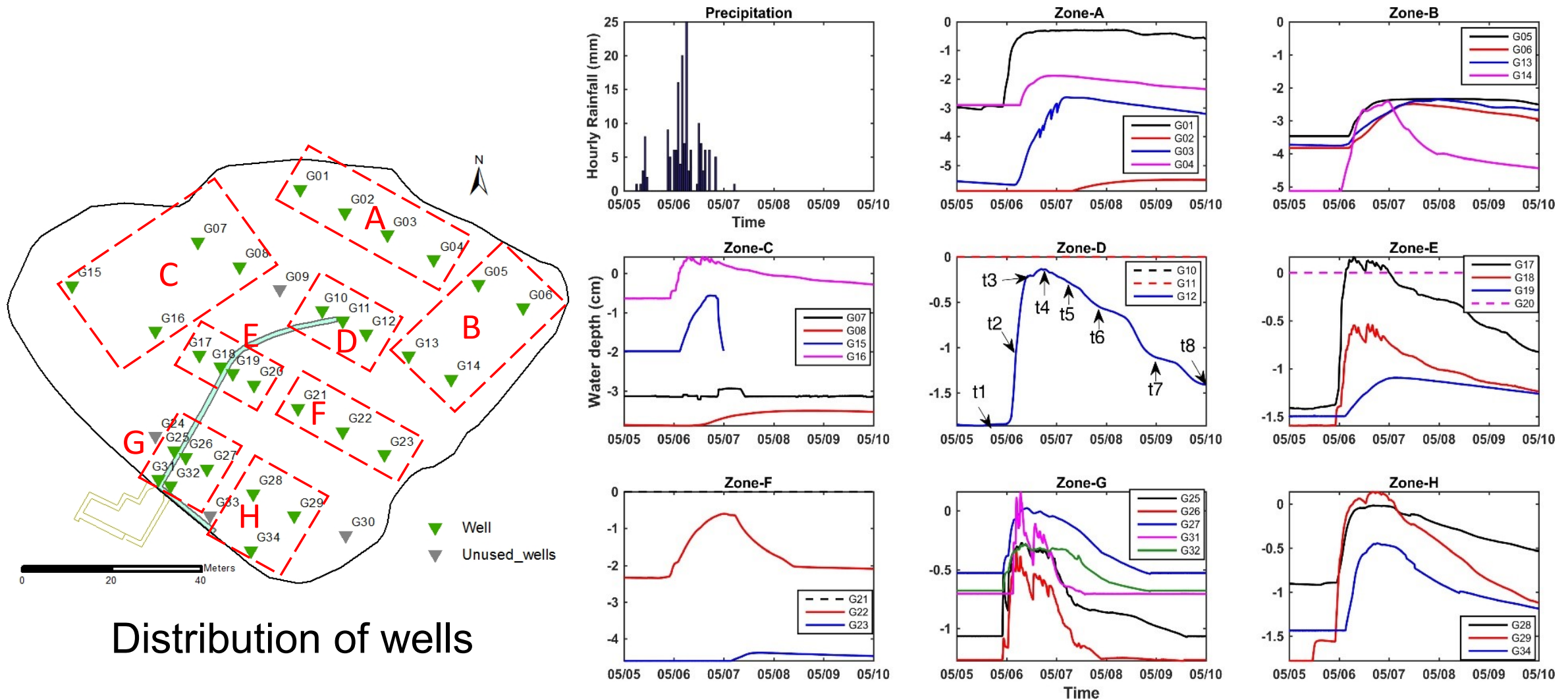


Soil moisture variability during rainfall

Soil moisture variability during and after rainfall

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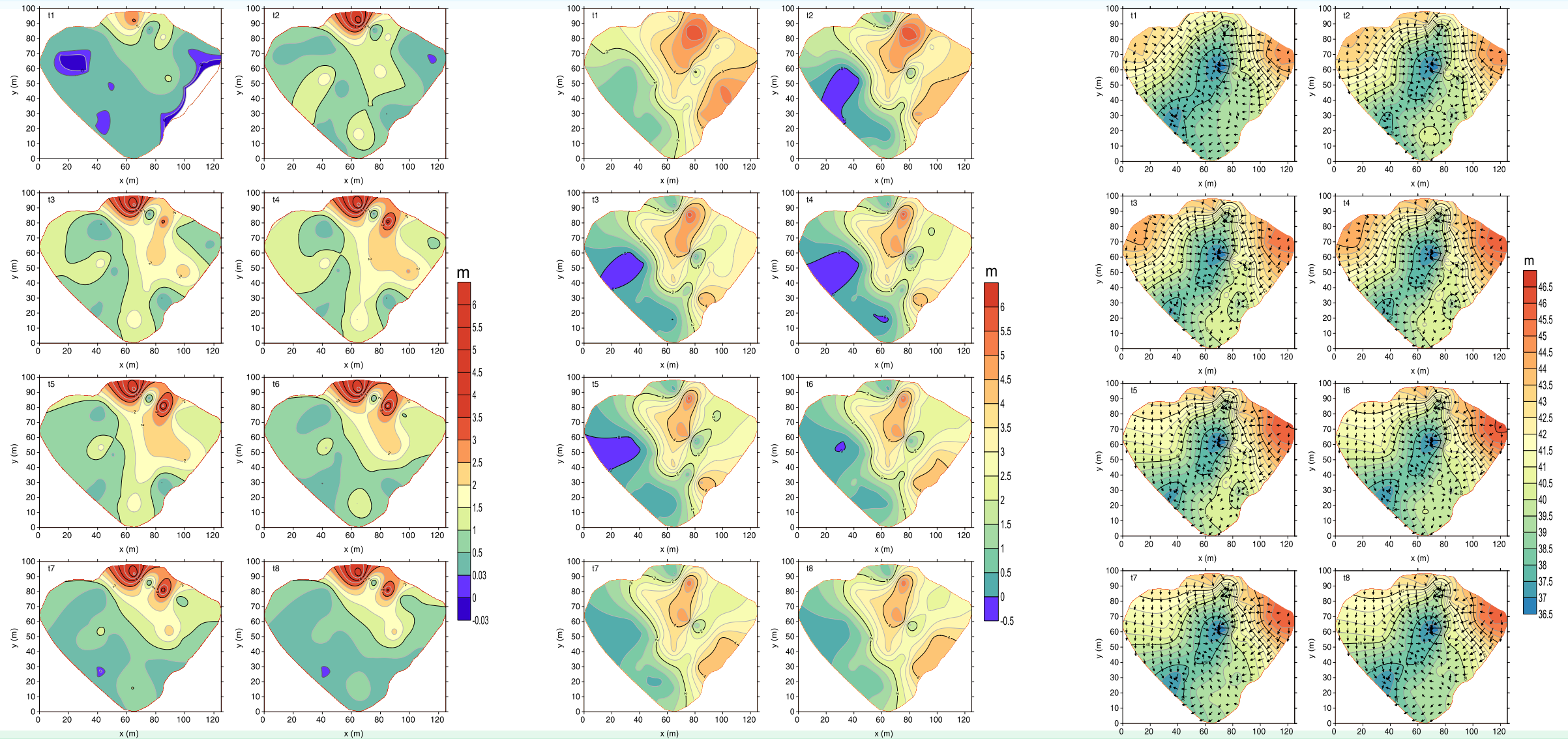
## 3.5 Dynamics of groundwater level in NDD



Groundwater depth above bedrock

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Groundwater depth above bedrock

Groundwater depth from surface

Groundwater level



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## Highlights:

- (1) **Throughfall variability** during the **leafed period** was **slightly higher** than that during the **leafless period** inferred from the coefficient of variation of throughfall amounts, with 13.2-40.9% and 18.7-31.9%, respectively.
- (2) **B. papyrifera** required **less precipitation amount** (4.3 to 5.8 mm) to initially **trigger stemflow** than **Q. acutissima** (5.4 to 6.0 mm).
- (3) Under the condition of  $P \geq 25$  mm, the proportion of **RS**, **R50** and **R100** was **46.3%**, **15.2%** and **38.5%**, and thus the subsurface runoff dominated the runoff. The synthetic runoff coefficient of total runoff was 0.33; the synthetic runoff coefficients of Rs, R50 and R100 were 0.15, 0.05 and 0.13, respectively.

# 4. Concluding remarks

## Highlights:

- (4) The depths of **soil distinction layers** were located at the range of **80-90 cm** based on the data of profile soil moisture.
- (5) **Saturated overland flow** occurred in the area where the **gentle slope with soil depth of less than 1 m** was located at the mid-downstream through analyzing the water table dynamics.

## Future research:

- A promising area: **hydrogeophysics**, **isotope hydrology**, and **hydro-chemistry**



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