

# PLACING A VALUE ON OZONE EFFECTS ON ECOSYSTEM SERVICES: A CASE STUDY FOR THE UK

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# Ecosystem services valued

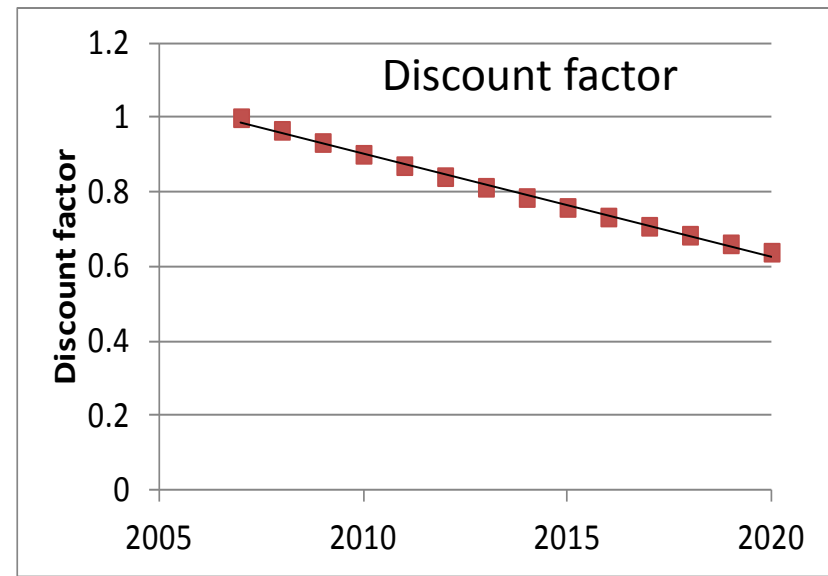
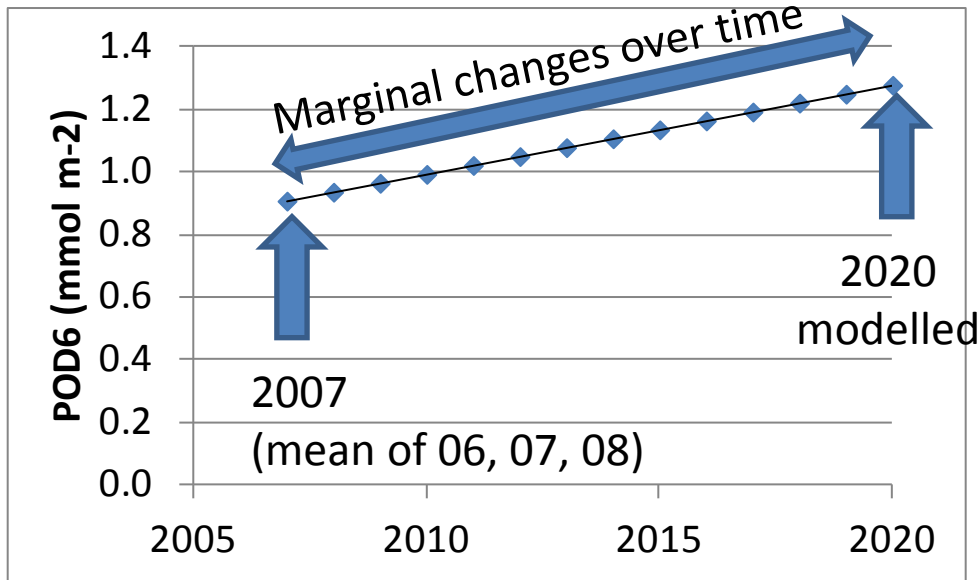
Funded by Defra\*, we have **spatially analysed the marginal costs for the UK** of effects of ozone on:

- Carbon sequestration by grasslands (regulating service)
- Lamb production via effects on pasture quality (provisioning service)
- Wheat production (provisioning service)

Although not yet taken through to valuation, we have also investigated effects on biodiversity

\* Thank you!

# Marginal costs: valuation method



## Marginal costs approach, used for comparison of damage costs across impacts

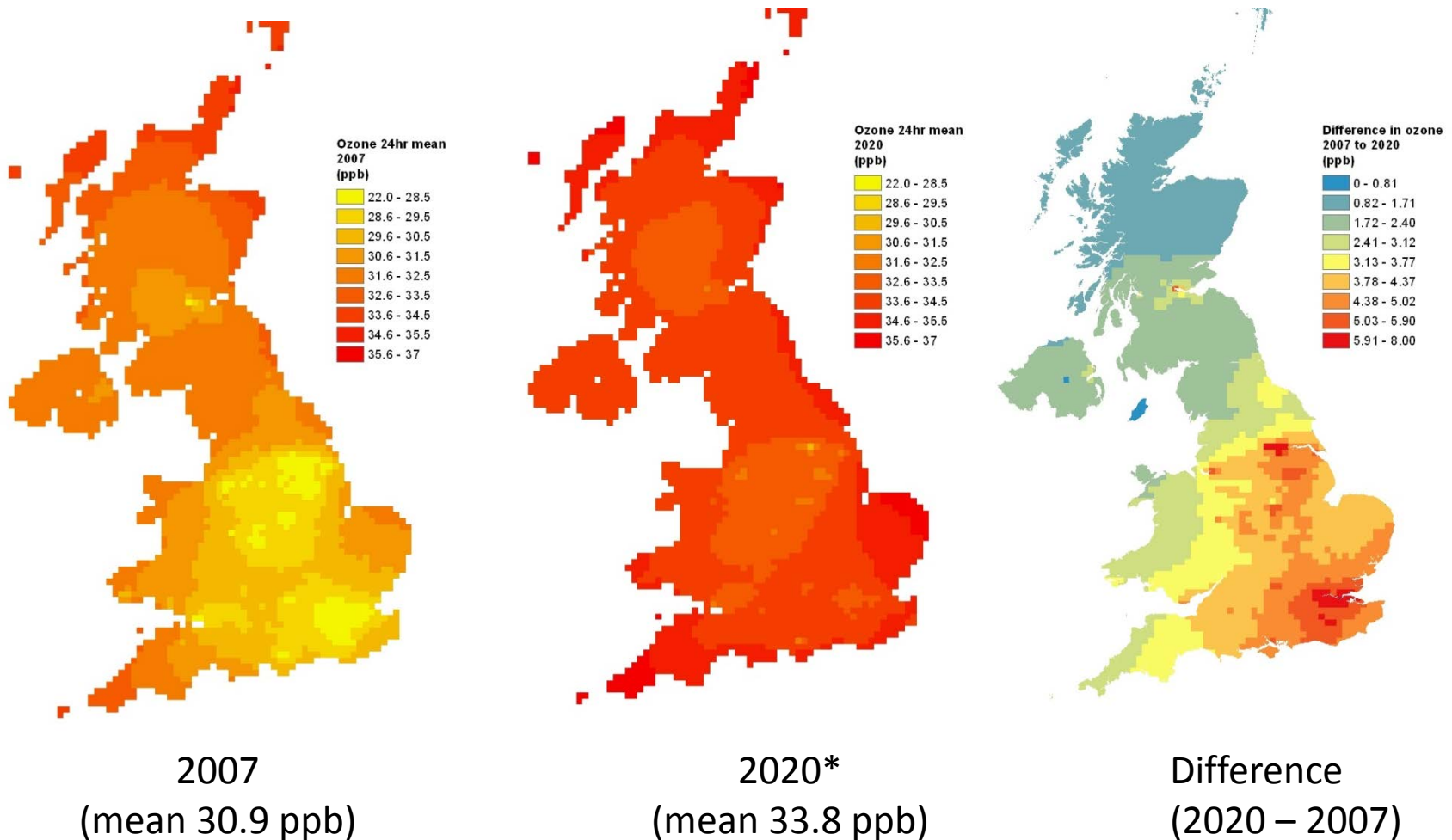
For each increasing year, for each 10 x 10 km square, calculate

**Value per year** = Change in yield in each year compared with reference year  
x price of wheat (€126/tonne) x discount factor

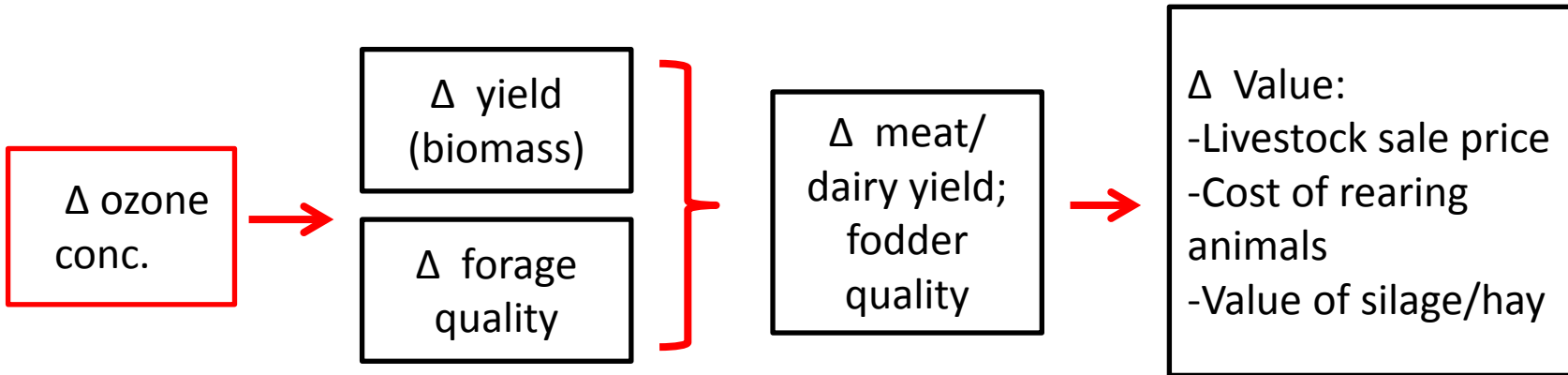
**Equivalent Annual Net Value** = sum of values for each year /annuity value

**Damage cost** = Equivalent annual net value/average change in O<sub>3</sub> conc./flux over time

# 24h mean O<sub>3</sub> conc., 2007 to 2020



# Impact pathway for pasture quality

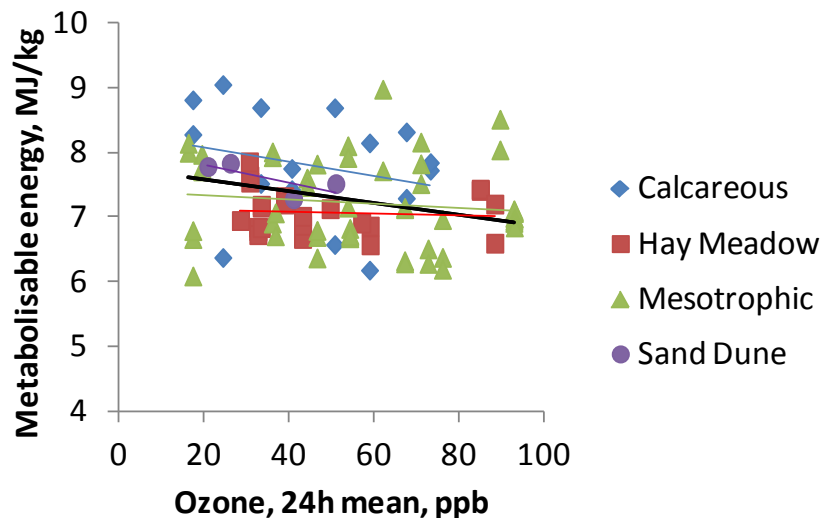


In 2012 there were 32million sheep and lambs in the UK, of total value £1.1 billion (€ 1.3billion)

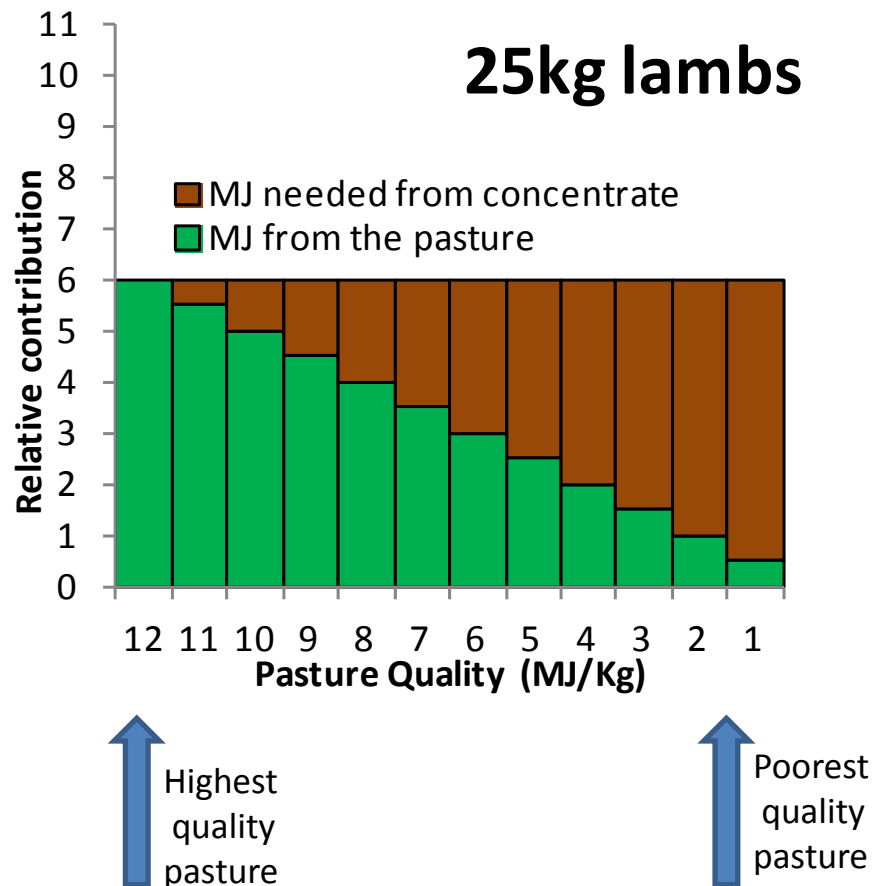


# Pasture quality vs supplementary feed

Ozone effects on metabolisable energy  
(a measure of pasture quality)



☐ Increasing ozone pollution reduces the energy available from pasture, reducing lamb growth unless supplementary feed is provided



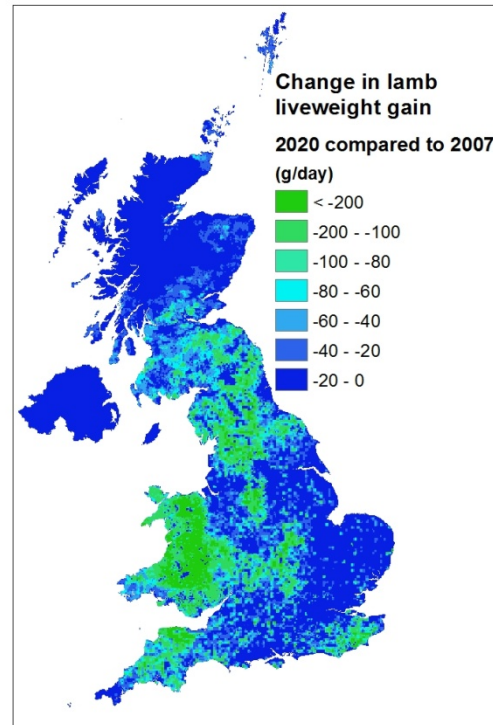
\* Relationships varies by lamb size

# Ozone impacts on lamb liveweight gain

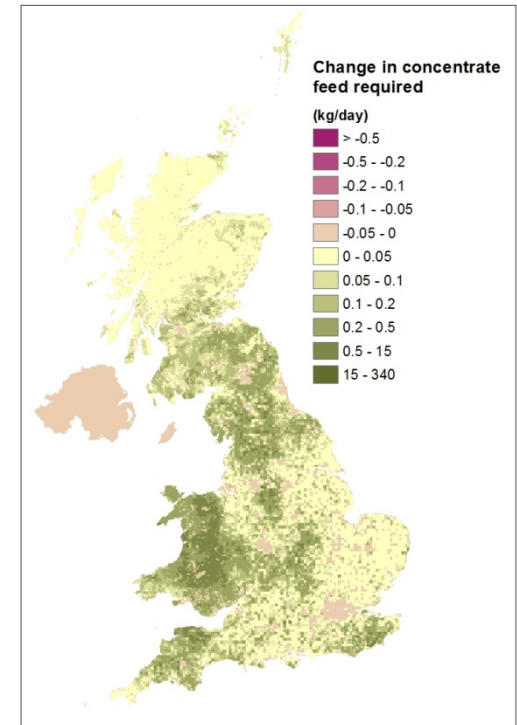
**From 2007  
to 2020**

- ❑ In the UK the effects are largest where the ozone increase is moderate but there are many lambs
- ❑ Total liveweight gain of lambs per day is predicted to be **decreased by 4%** in 2020 compared to 2007

**Change in  
Liveweight gain  
per square**



**Change in concentrate  
required to reach target  
sale weight of lambs**



# Marginal costs of ozone impacts on lamb production

Based on change in concentrate needed to get lambs to target weight	From 2007 to 2020	Range (95% CI)
Total Value accumulated (2007 to 2020)	-€295k	-€1.9k to -€571k
Equivalent Annual Net Value (£)	-€227k	-€91k to -€367k
The damage cost per unit increase in growing season 24 hr mean ozone (ppb)	-€147k	-€57k to -€229k

\* Includes separate calculations for upland and lowland lambs

**Quantified sources of uncertainty:** spatially variable ozone concentration, regression equation, predicting liveweight gain per lamb from pasture quality, distribution of lambs



# Impact pathway: Carbon sequestration

$\Delta$  ozone  
conc.



$\Delta$  biomass  
(NPP)



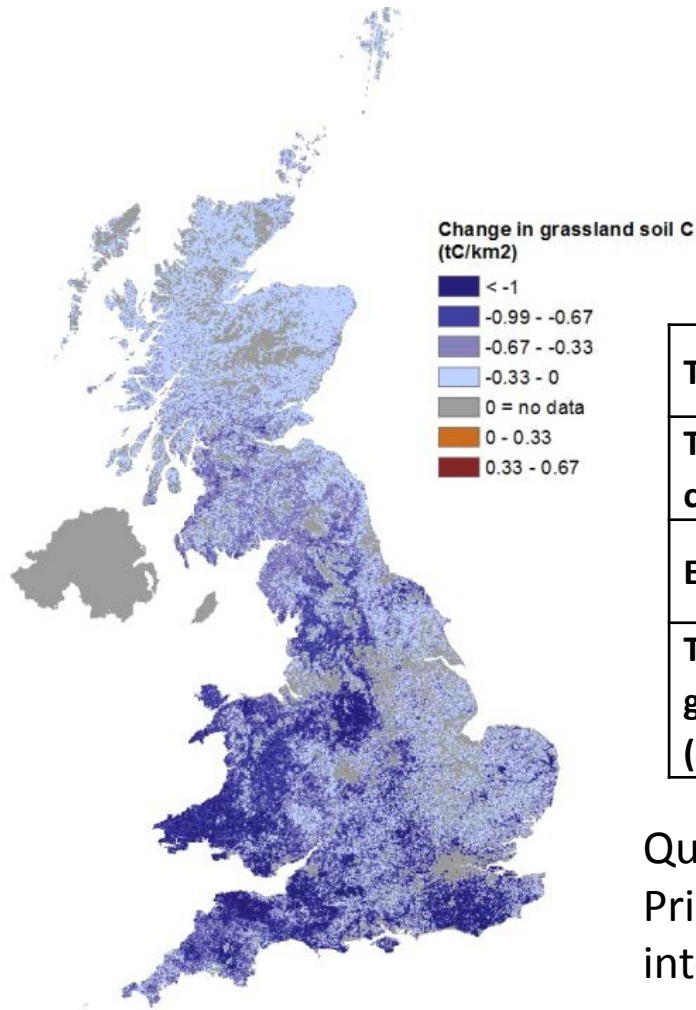
$\Delta$  C long-term  
allocation  
below ground



$\Delta$  Value: non-traded  
shadow price of C (2010  
price = £51.70 /tCO<sub>2</sub>)



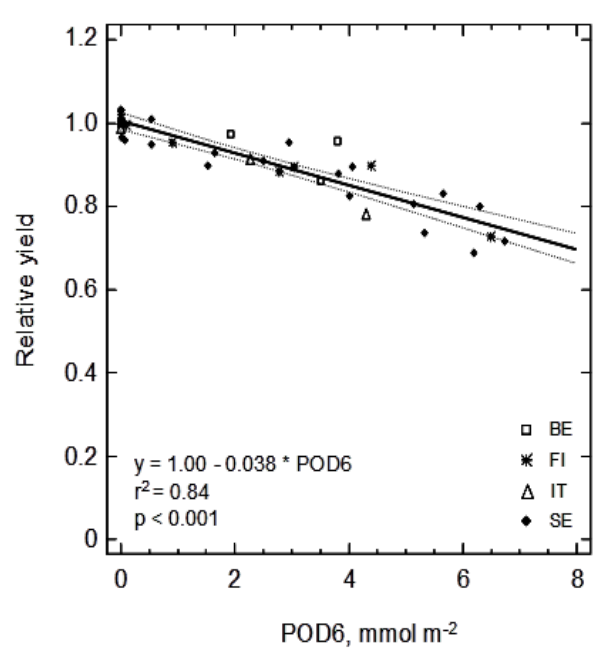
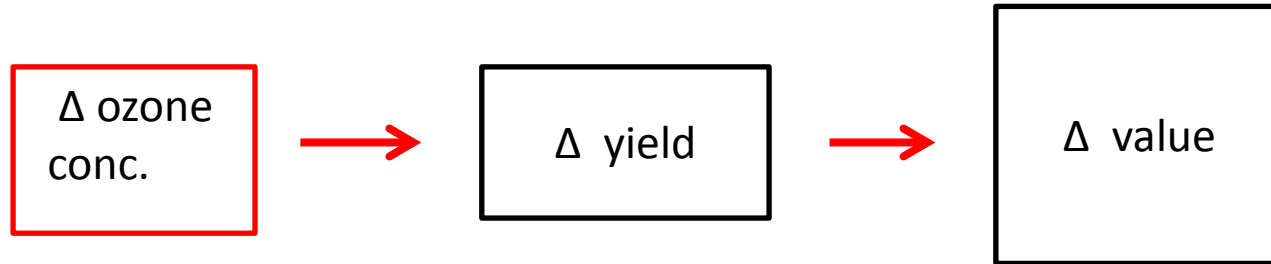
# Marginal costs of ozone impacts on grassland C allocation



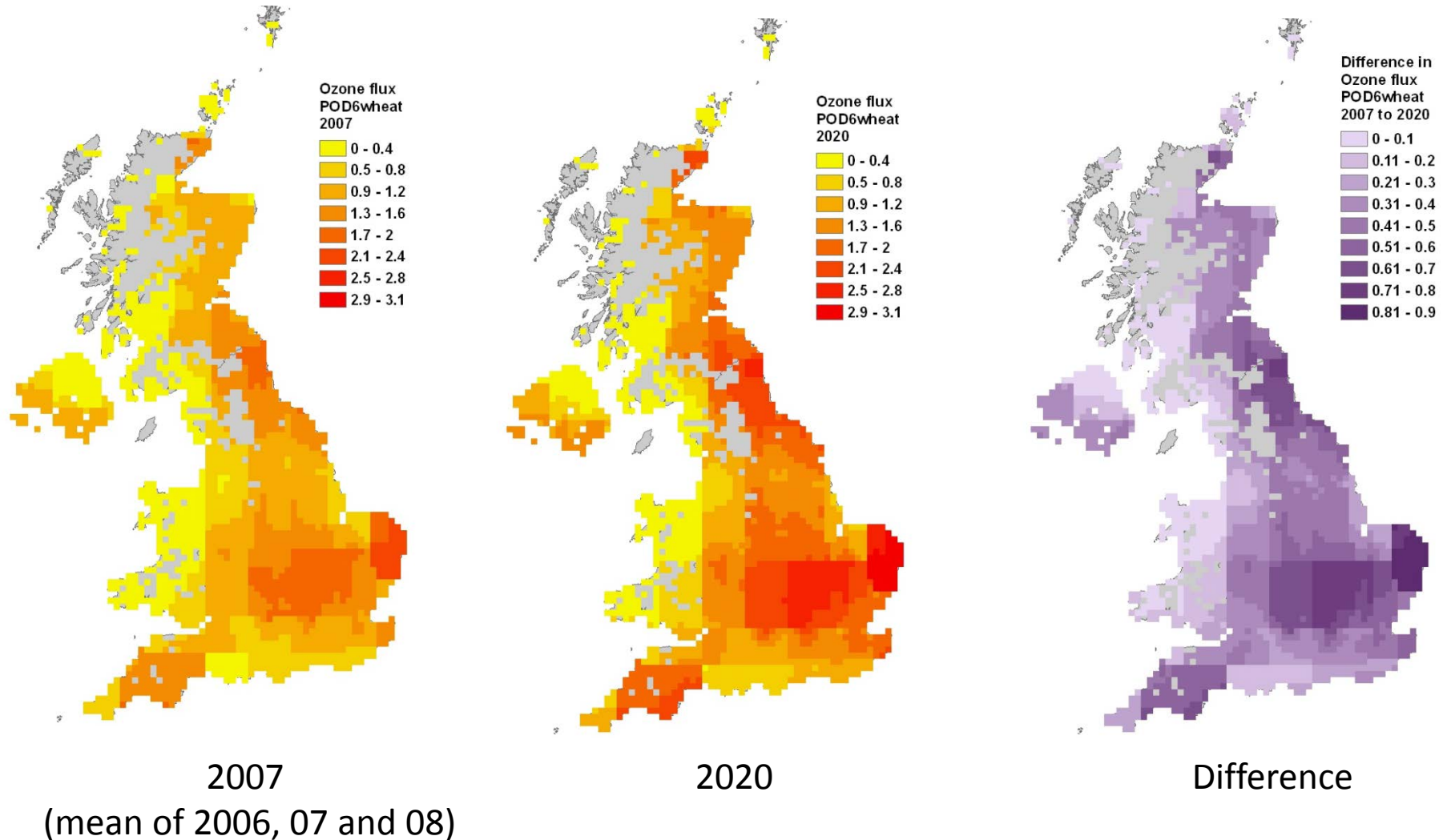
	From 2007 to 2020	Range (95% CI)
<b>Total change in C sequestered (tons)</b>	-619,000	
<b>Total accumulated value of marginal costs (2007 – 2020)</b>	-€111 million	-€76 million to -€155million
<b>Equivalent Annual Net Value</b>	-€10.9 million	-€7.3 million to -€15million
<b>The damage cost per unit increase in growing season 24 hr mean ozone (ppb)</b>	-€6.7million	-€4.6 million to -€9.3million

Quantified uncertainty: Spatial variability of ozone; Primary Productivity data; response function slope and intercept; NPP allocated to soil C; % grassland in 1 km square

# Impact pathway for wheat production

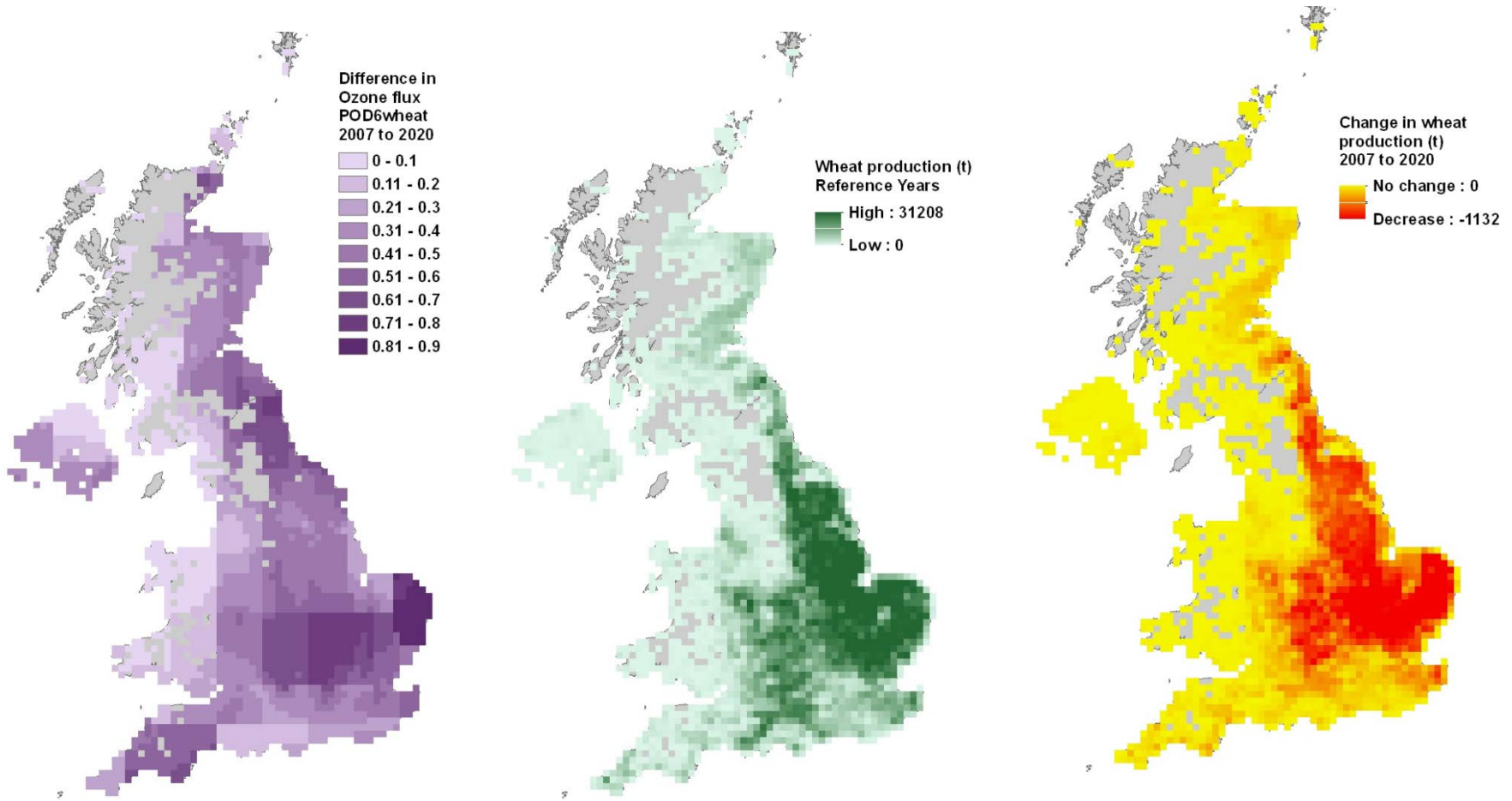


# Ozone flux ( $\text{POD}_6$ ) in 2007 and 2020



**Spatial pattern of ozone flux ( $\text{POD}_6$  wheat,  $\text{mmol m}^{-2}$ )  
in wheat growing areas**

# Change in wheat production, 2007 to 2020



**Difference in ozone**  
(POD<sub>6</sub>, mmol m<sup>-2</sup>  
2020 – 2007)

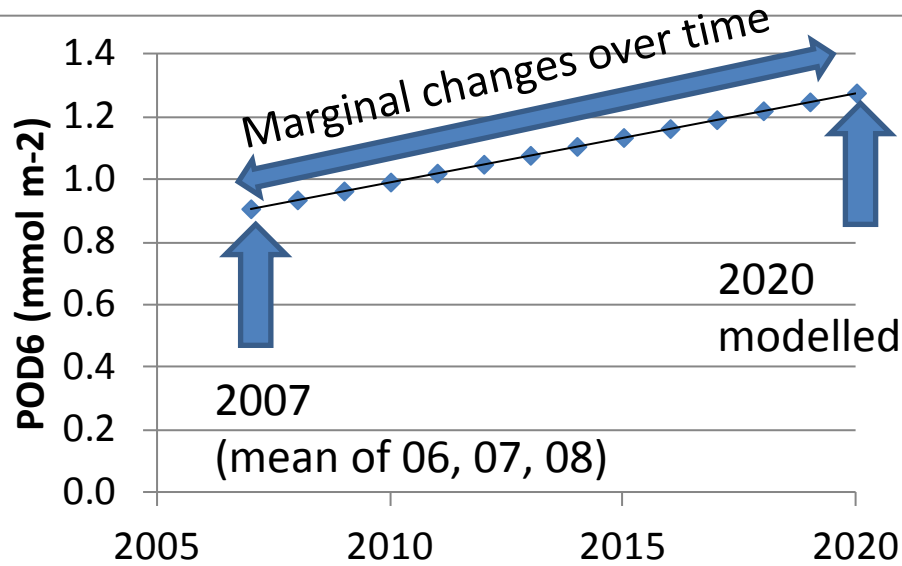
**Wheat production**  
(mean of 2006 and 2008)

**Change in wheat production**  
**2007 to 2020**  
(t per 10 x 10km  
square)

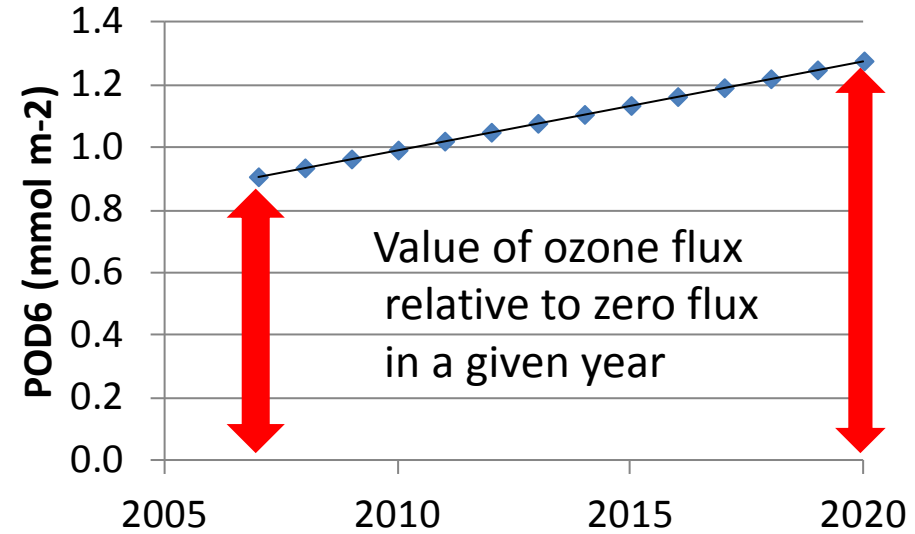
# Marginal costs of effects of O<sub>3</sub> on wheat

	<b>2007 to 2020</b>	<b>Range (95% Confidence interval)</b>
<b>Total Value of marginal costs (2007 to 2020)</b>	-€226 million	-€187 million to - €268 million
<b>Equivalent Annual Net value</b>	-€21.9 million	-€18.2 million to -€26.0 million
<b>The damage cost per unit increase in growing season POD6</b>	-€118.7million	-€98.4 million to -€144.4 million

# Marginal costs



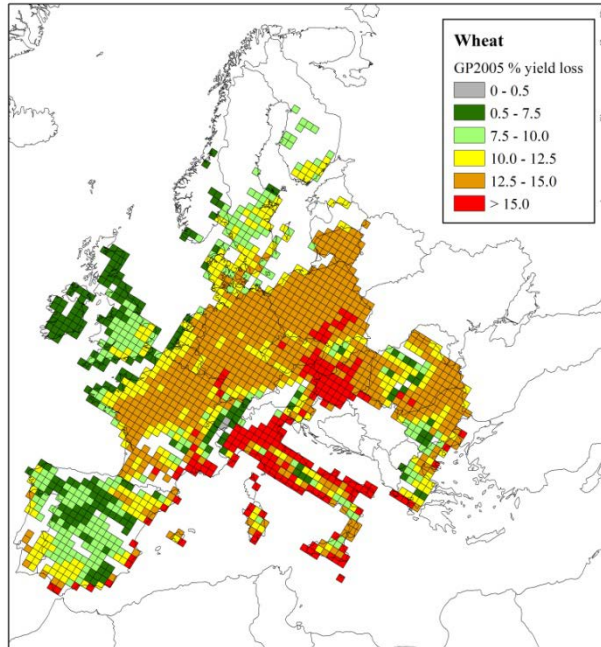
# Magnitude of effects



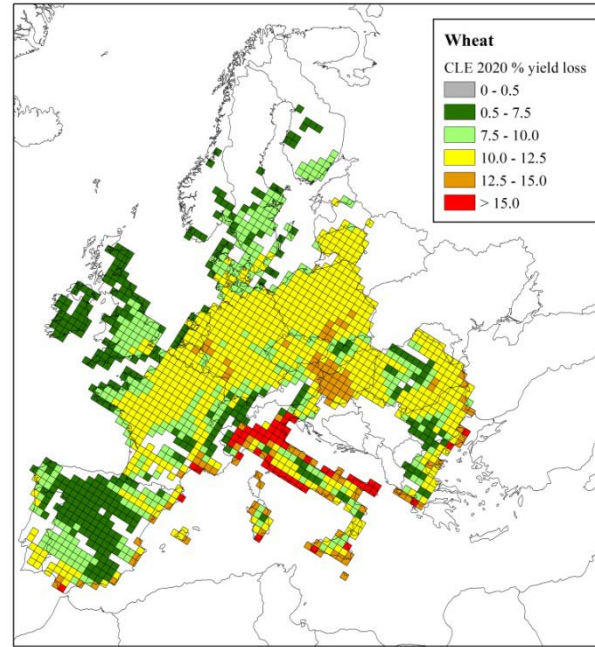
\* Used to quantify economic effects of ozone for the revised Gothenburg Protocol scenarios

# European crop loss calculations: GP scenarios

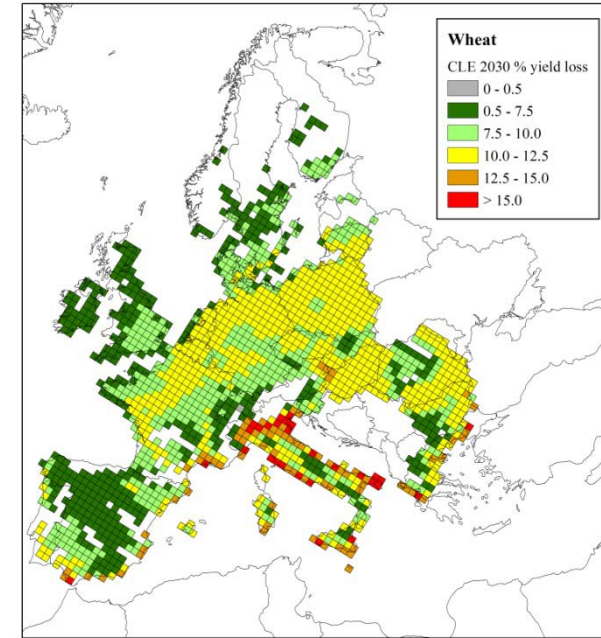
GP2005



GP CLE 2020



GP CLE2030



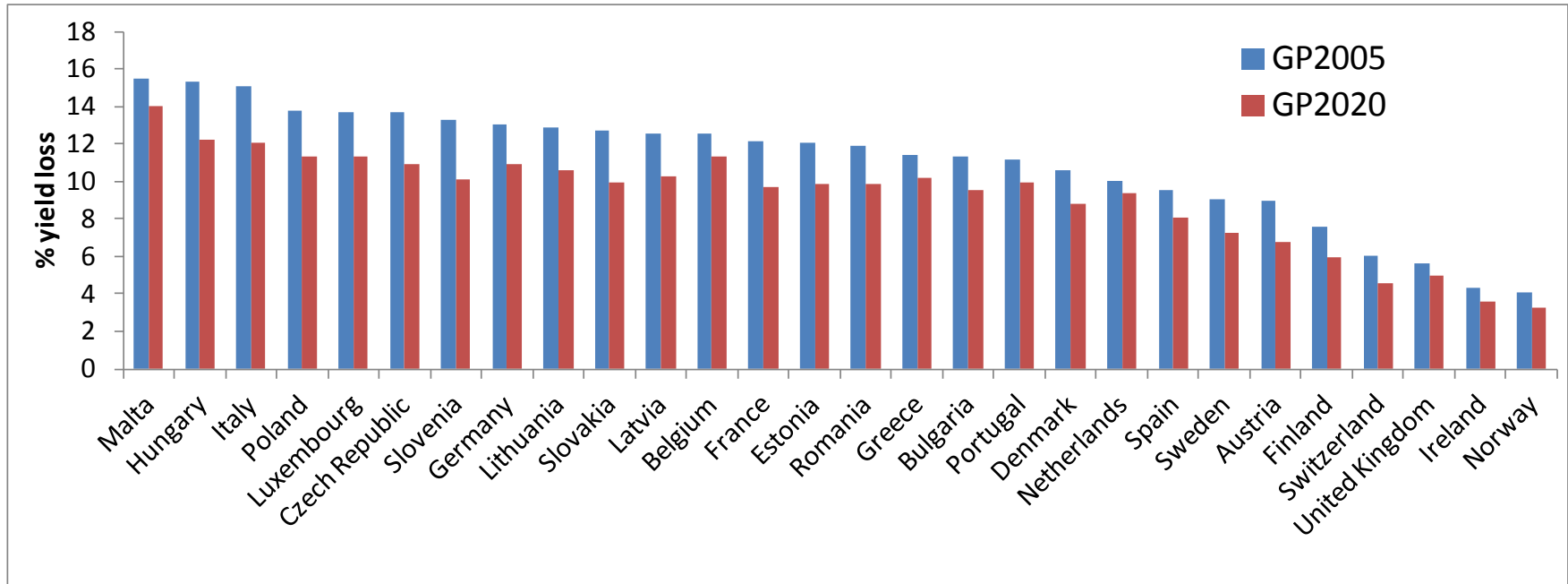
**Percentage yield loss** – calculated using a new response relationship for the generic crop flux model (POD<sub>3</sub>IAM)<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> assumes soil water is not limiting



# Wheat yield loss – Revised GP scenarios

See informal document no. 4 ('Guidance document')



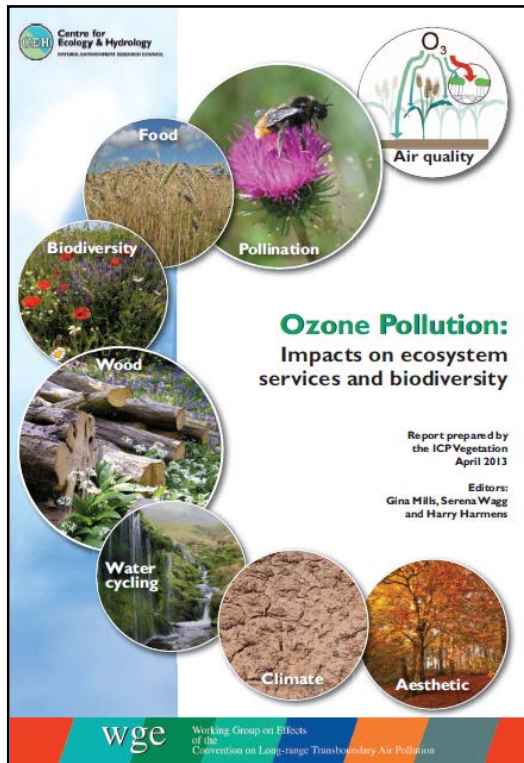
**Mean % yield loss\* for EU27: 12.4% for GP2005  
10.3% for GP CLE2020**

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# ICP Vegetation State of Knowledge Report

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# Conclusions

- **Marginal costs** quantified for UK for O<sub>3</sub> effects on three ecosystem services, for the period 2007 to 2020; allows comparison with other air quality impacts e.g. health
- **Equivalent Annual Net Value** was largest for wheat yield (€21.9 million), less for C sequestration (£10.9 million) and quite small for lamb production (€0.23 million).
- We **quantified uncertainty** associated with these figures, providing 95% confidence intervals for effects on each service
- At the **European scale**, the magnitude of effects of ozone in a given “year” were calculated relative to zero ozone flux (approx pre-industrial ozone), with mean yield losses calculated for EU27+CH+NO was **12.4%** for GP2005 and **10.3%** for GPCLE2020

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# Quantification of uncertainty

## Quantification of the range of values for each stage in analysis

- Statement of what the range represents
- Distribution of values within the range. The following were considered:
  - Uniform, where all values within the range are equally likely.
  - Triangular, where values towards the centre are more likely than those closer to the extremes.
  - Normal, similar to triangular in effect, but used where it is possible to base the range on statistical evidence.
- Whether uncertainties in parameters are independent of each other.

**Monte Carlo simulation** to propagate the uncertainty in the parameters and variables through the model, thereby calculating the uncertainty in the estimated impacts of ozone.

Using @Risk software, running simulation for 10000 iterations