

Carbon Sequestration in Different Urban Vegetation Types in Southern Finland

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Table S1. Soil properties of the park site (*Tilia cordata*), urban forest (*Betula pendula*), irrigated lawn and non-irrigated lawn used in the model simulations. The percentages in the particle size distribution refer to large particles - sand - silt - clay. The soil properties were measured at the park and urban forest. Due to the close connection with the park, the soil properties at the lawns were assumed to be equal to the park.

	Park	Urban forest	Lawns
Soil type	Sandy loam	Sandy loam	Sandy loam
Bulk density (kg/l)	1.15	1.14	1.15
Particle size distribution	5% - 66% - 21% - 8%	3% - 71% - 15% - 11%	5% - 66% - 21% - 8%
Carbon content (%)	3.7	3.9	3.7
Nitrogen content (%)	0.252	0.329	0.252
C:N ratio	14.8	11.9	14.8
pH	5.6	6.5	5.6
Wilting point	0.069	0.078	0.069
Field capacity	0.233	0.235	0.233

Table S2. Growing degree days with a base temperature of 5 °C (GDD5, degree days), accumulated precipitation during summer (May–August, mm), maximum temperature (Max T, °C) and the number of days when precipitation is below 1.4 mm (Dry days) in Kumpula during 2006–2021.

Year	GDD5	Summer precip	Max T	Dry days
2006	1846	87	25	108
2007	1656	320	23	81
2008	1538	220	22	87
2009	1539	325	23	86
2010	1745	211	26	94
2011	1863	310	25	90
2012	1538	258	23	87
2013	1781	212	24	96
2014	1710	280	26	81
2015	1518	236	22	89
2016	1636	270	21	92
2017	1389	211	19	95
2018	1964	144	27	105
2019	1679	215	25	100
2020	1720	296	24	94
2021	1777	293	27	94
Ave	1681	243	24	92
STD	151	65	2	8

Table S3. Pearson’s correlation coefficient (r), mean bias error (MBE) calculated as the difference between observation and the model, and Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) of leaf area index (LAI) in 2018–2021.

Habitat	Year	r			MBE			RMSE		
		JSBACH	LPJG	SUEWS	JSBACH	LPJG	SUEWS	JSBACH	LPJG	SUEWS
Forest	2018	0.9	0.88	0.85	0.03	0.47	0.11	0.46	0.73	0.54
	2019	0.91	0.9	0.87	0.16	0.64	0.38	0.44	0.8	0.57
	2020	0.95	0.94	0.89	-0.08	0.24	-0.08	0.34	0.46	0.49
	2021	0.97	0.96	0.93	0.0	0.14	-0.05	0.24	0.31	0.36
	Average	0.93	0.92	0.89	0.03	0.37	0.09	0.37	0.58	0.49
Park	2018	0.8	0.88	0.86	0.01	0.8	0.48	0.58	0.99	0.67
	2019	0.91	0.9	0.87	0.15	0.82	0.69	0.44	1.0	0.83
	2020	0.91	0.93	0.88	-0.1	0.41	0.23	0.46	0.69	0.55
	2021	0.97	0.98	0.94	-0.12	0.39	0.16	0.3	0.55	0.4
	Average	0.89	0.92	0.89	-0.01	0.61	0.39	0.44	0.81	0.61
Lawn	2018	0.58	0.41	0.38	0.49	-0.05	0.92	0.67	0.63	1.22
	2019	0.93	0.85	0.88	0.37	0.0	0.84	0.48	0.33	0.95
	2020	0.83	0.83	0.72	0.18	-0.07	0.43	0.51	0.49	0.78
	2021	0.75	0.88	0.67	0.19	0.09	0.56	0.52	0.53	0.92
	Average	0.77	0.74	0.66	0.31	-0.01	0.69	0.54	0.49	0.97
Irrigated lawn	2018	0.84	0.64	0.86	0.4	0.31	0.73	0.55	0.66	0.85
	2019	0.83	0.78	0.83	0.48	0.49	0.94	0.67	0.72	1.06
	2020	0.83	0.84	0.84	0.24	0.11	0.46	0.55	0.51	0.69
	2021	0.93	0.91	0.92	-0.01	0.41	0.29	0.33	0.6	0.47
	Average	0.86	0.79	0.86	0.27	0.33	0.6	0.53	0.62	0.77

Table S4. Summertime net ecosystem exchange of CO₂ (NEE), Pearson’s correlation coefficients (r) between observed and simulated NEE by different models over the target area including diverse urban vegetation (Fig. 1a) during the summer seasons (May–September) together with the coverage of Eddy covariance data during the same months. Ave represents average and STD standard deviation during the years.

	JSBACH		LPJ-GUESS		SUEWS		coverage (%)
	NEE	r	NEE	r	NEE	r	
2006	-202.28	0.78	-129.26	0.72	-326.30	0.71	16.99
2007	-196.22	0.39	-100.93	0.38	-239.24	0.02	15.69
2008	-210.01	0.76	-100.80	0.69	-295.20	0.54	22.88
2009	-244.15	0.83	-121.34	0.67	-325.23	0.81	30.07
2010	-151.81	0.81	-83.69	0.70	-148.97	0.79	18.95
2011	-169.58	0.79	-94.67	0.85	-246.09	0.81	25.49
2012	-241.95	0.79	-97.52	0.77	-303.34	0.79	31.37
2013	-192.81	0.73	-113.26	0.74	-224.98	0.73	11.11
2014	-179.48	0.75	-76.76	0.81	-213.81	0.68	24.18
2015	-257.66	0.67	-147.32	0.72	-346.72	0.73	32.68
2016	-207.54	0.57	-100.04	0.36	-265.74	0.59	37.25
2017	-203.83	0.76	-104.42	0.65	-214.05	0.68	19.61
2018	-151.50	0.64	-89.78	0.57	-189.81	0.53	26.14
2019	-205.67	0.76	-109.28	0.74	-330.54	0.75	11.76
2020	-228.79	0.69	-119.18	0.76	-245.48	0.60	24.84
2021	-162.25	0.72	-85.16	0.61	-191.92	0.47	22.88
Ave	-200.35	0.71	-104.59	0.67	-256.71	0.64	23.24
STD	32.23	0.11	18.31	0.14	59.06	0.20	7.40

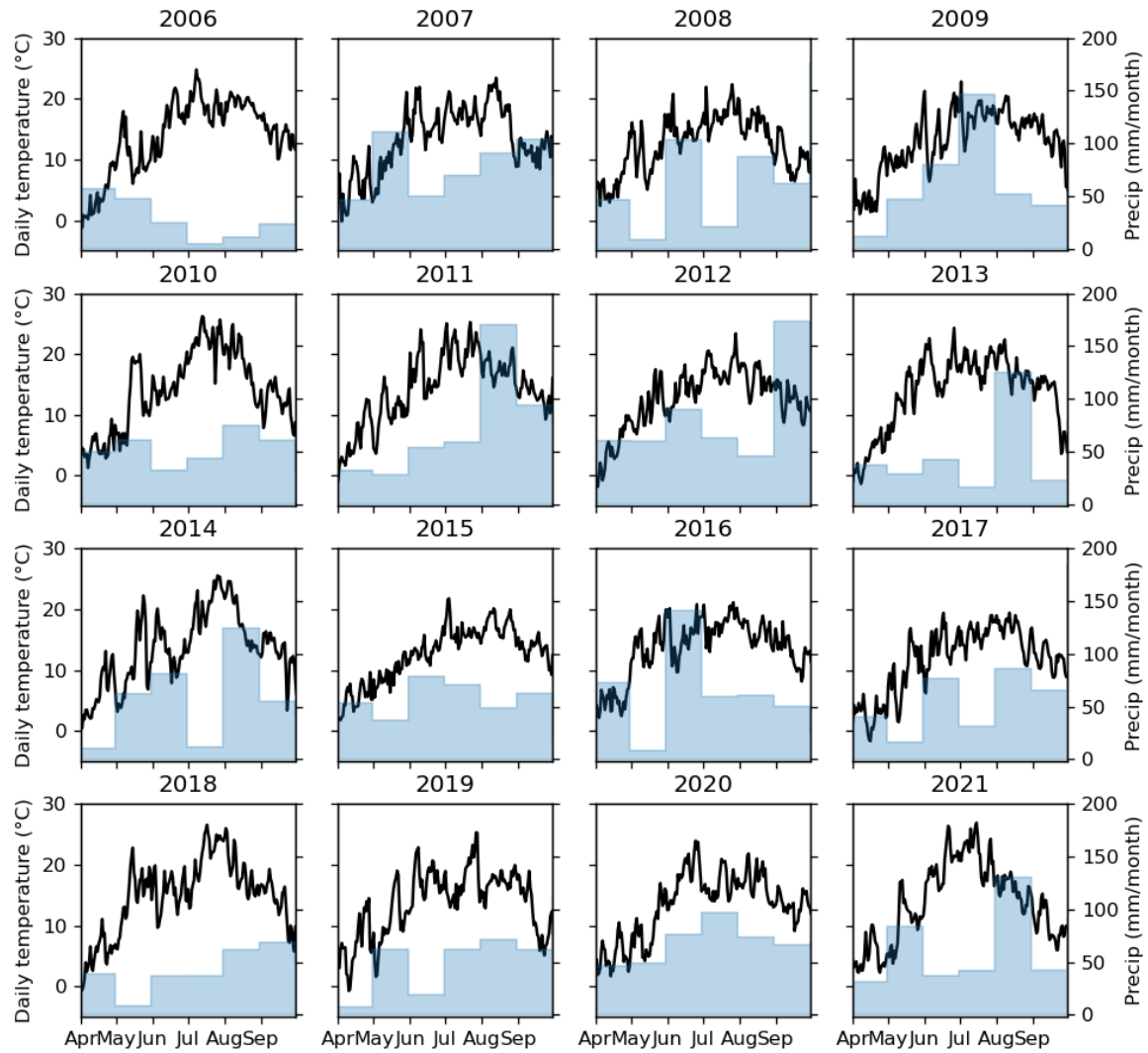


Figure S1. Observed daily temperature (line) and monthly precipitation sum (blue bar) during the growing season in Kumpula in 2006–2021.

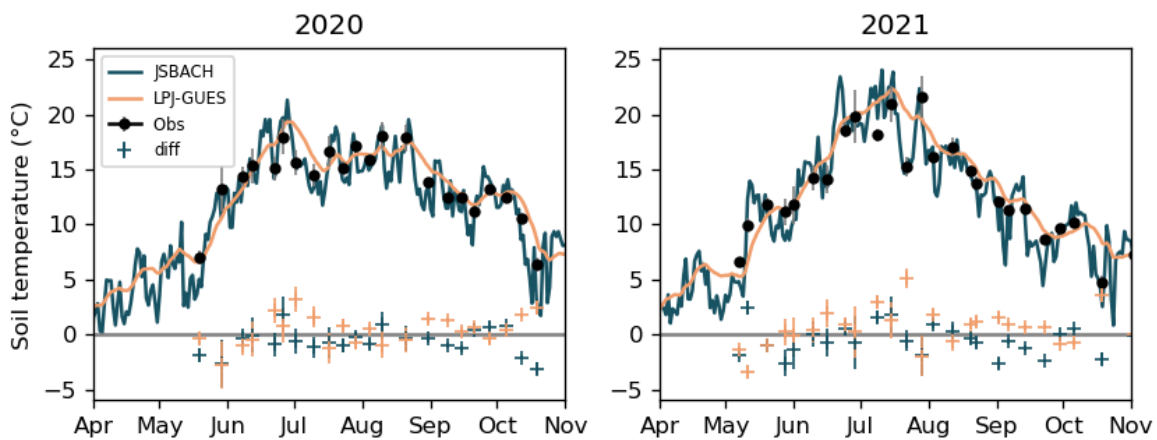


Figure S2. Observed (dots) and simulated (lines) soil temperature and their residuals (crosses) at the park site from April to October 2020 and 2021. The simulated temperature represents the 5–15 cm for JSBACH and 0–50 cm for LPJ-GUESS. The observations are from 10 cm and averaged over 8 collars. The error bars of the observations represent the standard deviation of the collars. The crosses are residuals between observations and models for JSBACH (blue) and LPJ-GUESS (orange).

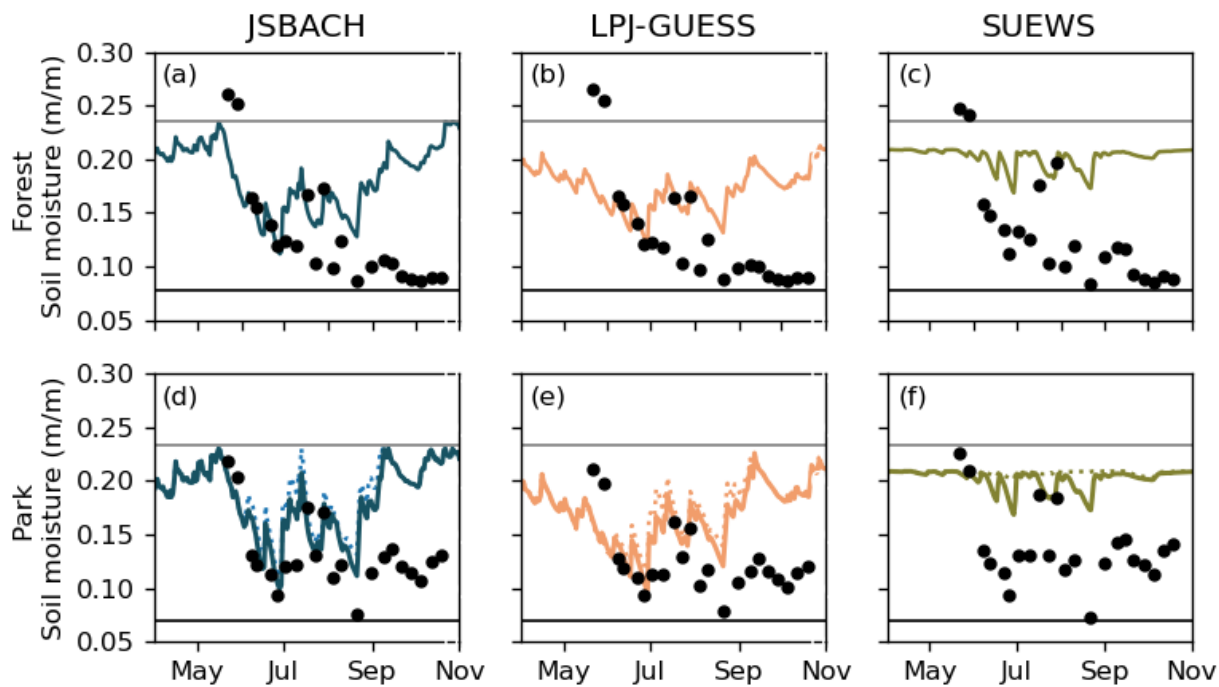


Figure S3. Daily mean soil moisture of the root-zone estimated by the different models (lines) and observed (dots) in the urban birch forest (upper panels) and the park site with trees (lower panels) from May to October 2020. Solid lines are from non-irrigated simulations and dotted lines from irrigated ones. The horizontal, black lines represent the used wilting points and the grey lines the field capacities.

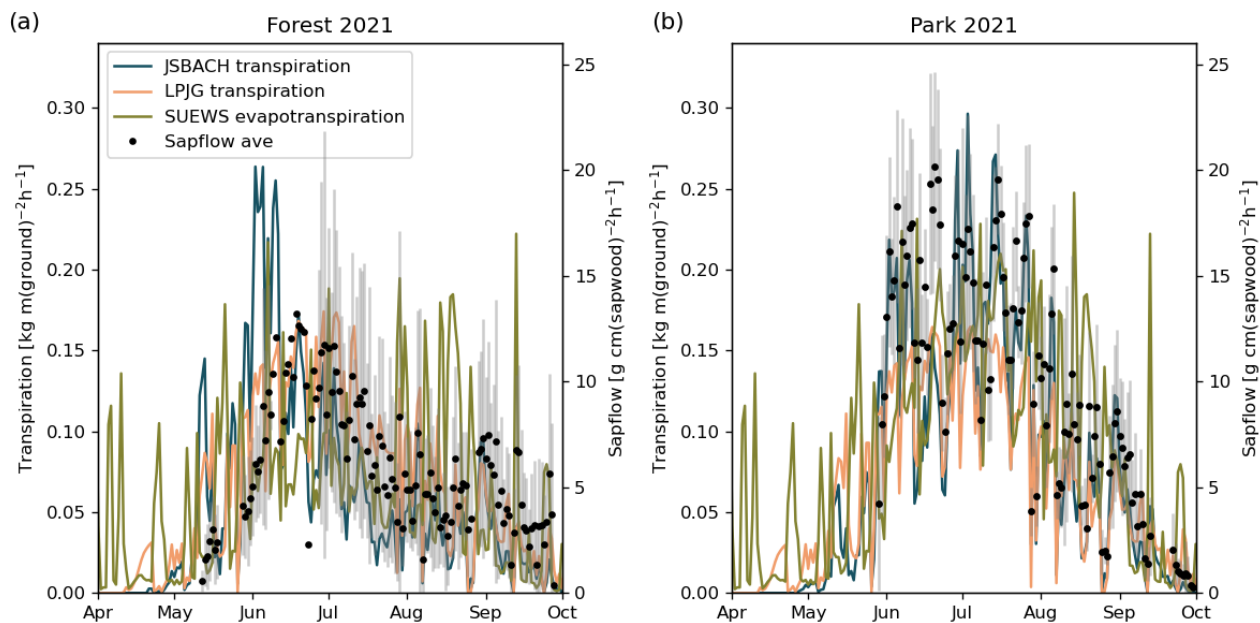


Figure S4. Observed daily sap flow measurements (black dots) and modelled transpiration (color lines) by JSBACH and LPJ-GUESS, and modelled evapotranspiration by SUEWS in the forest site (a) and in the park (b) in 2021. The observations are averages over three trees and the error bars of the observations represent the standard deviation of the 3 trees.

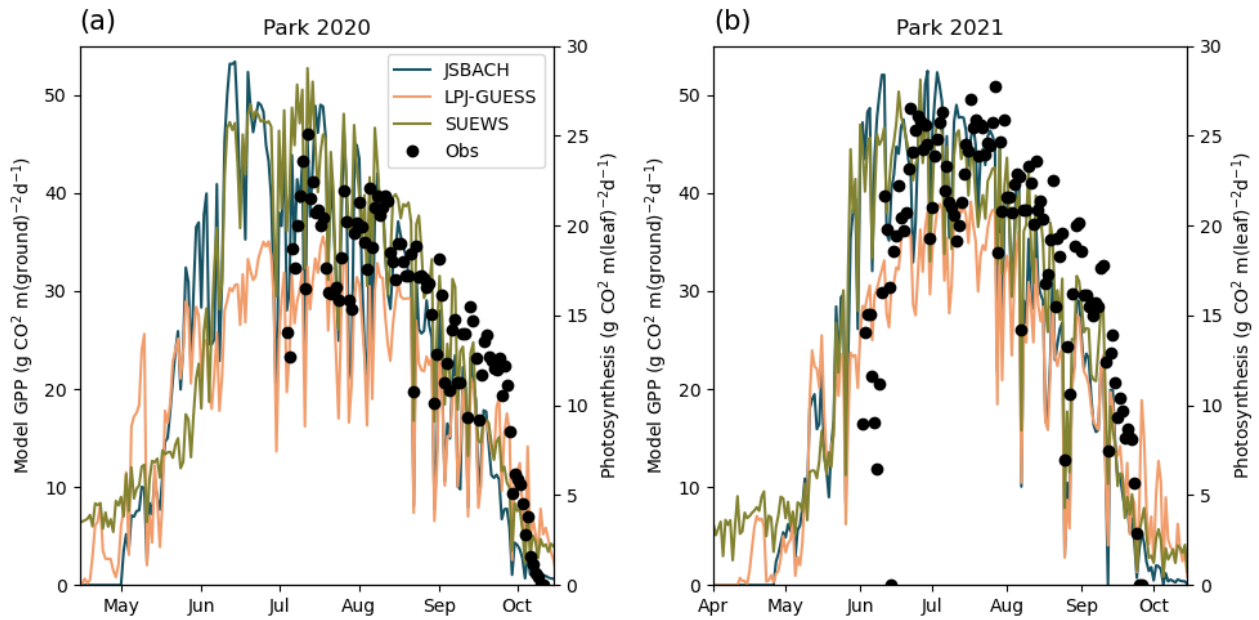


Figure S5. Daily photosynthesis (GPP) per leaf area derived from the automatic shoot measurements at the park site and model simulations (lines) of photosynthesis (GPP) per ground area in the years 2020 (a) and 2021 (b).

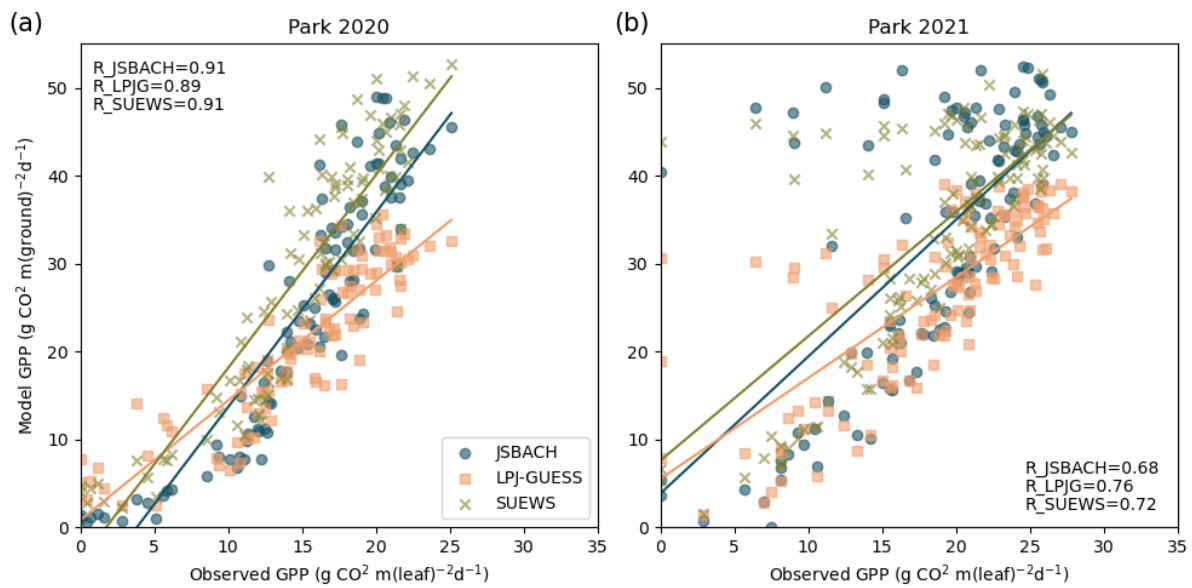


Figure S6. Correlation between the GPP derived from the observations and modelled in the park in the year 2020 (a) and year 2021 (b). The same data are shown in the time plot in Fig. S5. Note that the estimates derived from the observations and models simulations have different units.

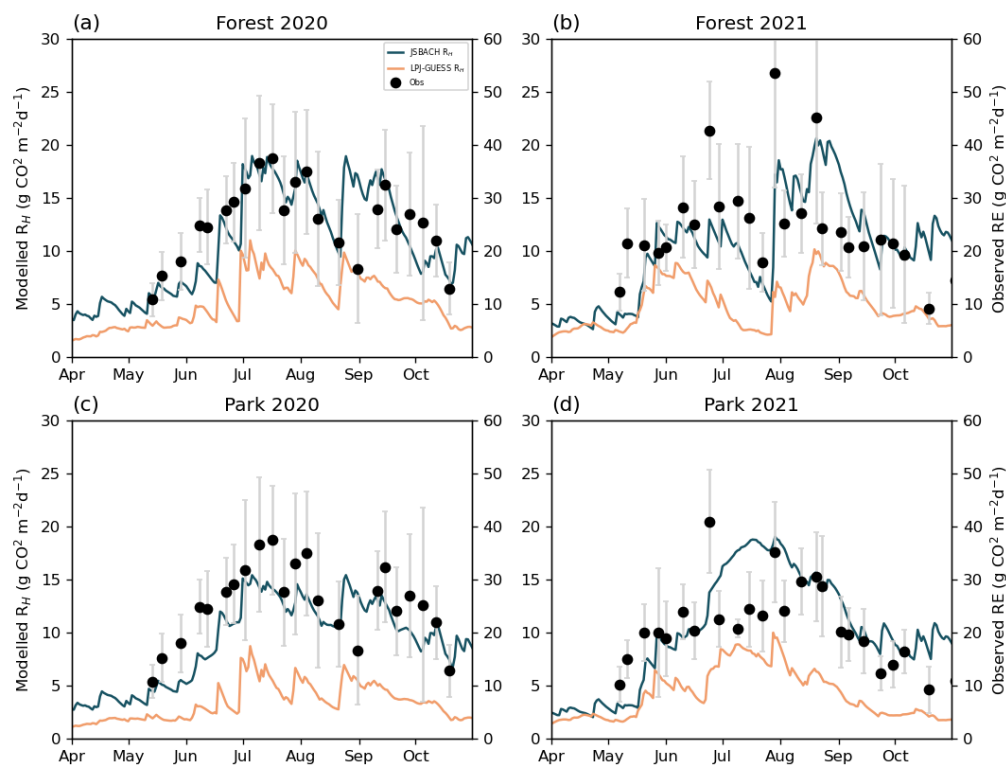


Figure S7. Timeseries of manual observation of soil respiration (dots) and modelled heterotrophic respiration (R_H , lines) in the forest (panels (a) and (b)) and under the park trees (panels (c) and (d)) in 2020 (a and c) and 2021 (b and d). The observed fluxes and simulations by models are from the non-irrigated forest and irrigated linden trees. Observations are averages of 8 collars and error bars are their standard deviations. Note that model results and observations are depicted on different scales in the figure.

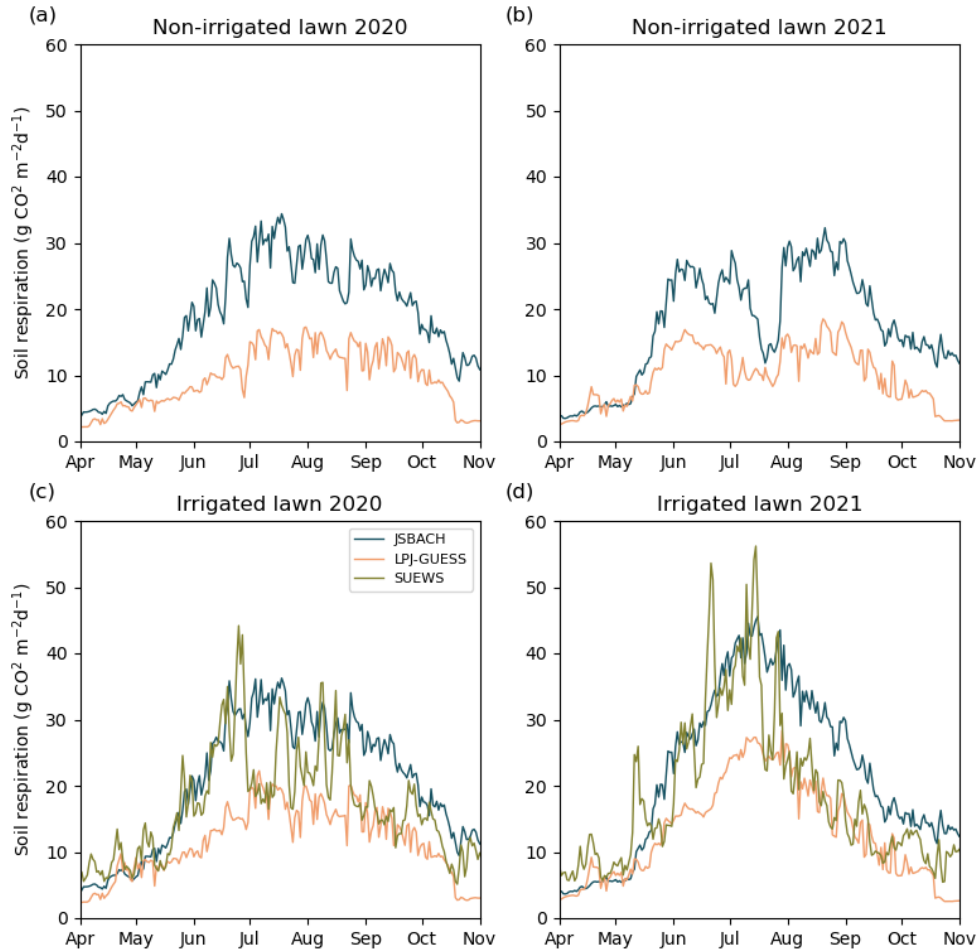


Figure S8. Simulated soil respiration on lawns in 2020 (left) and 2021 (right). JSBACH and LPJ-GUESS values are from non-irrigated lawn simulations in the above panels and the below ones from the irrigated simulations.

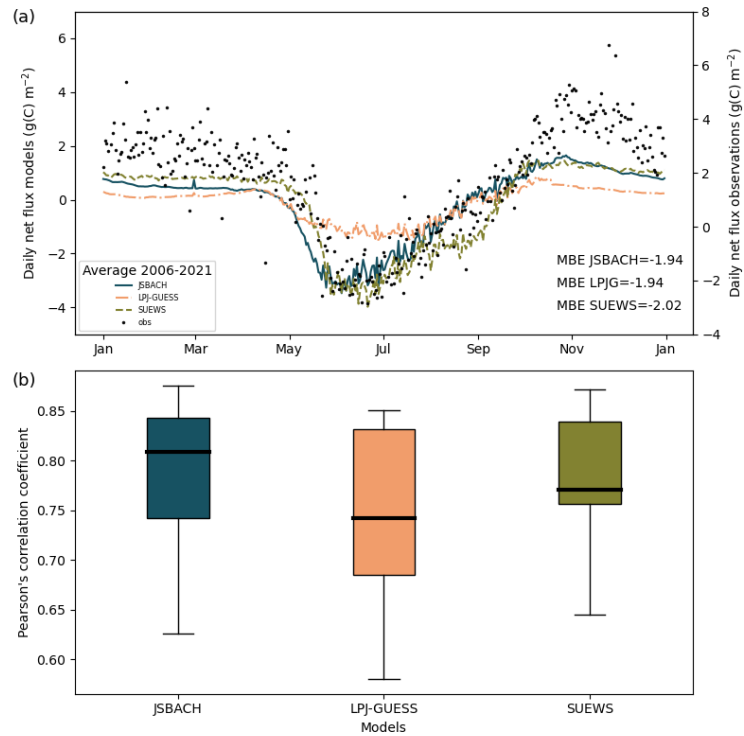


Figure S9. a) Measured (dots) and modelled (lines) daily mean net ecosystem exchange of CO₂ (NEE) on the target area (Fig. 1) as an average over the years from 2006 to 2021. b) Pearson's correlation coefficients between observations and models over the years 2006 to 2021. Mean bias errors are in the panel (a).

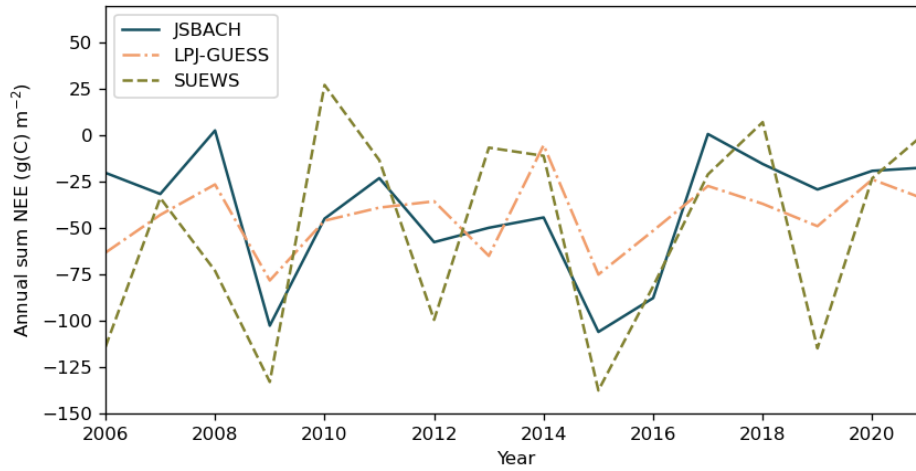


Figure S10. Annual net ecosystem exchange of CO₂ (NEE) simulated with the different models over the target area (Fig. 1a) during 2006–2021.

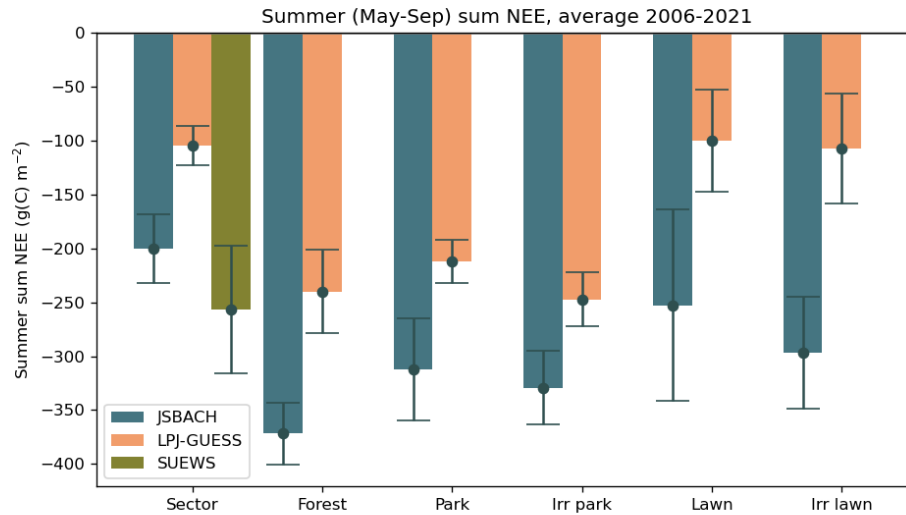


Figure S11. Net ecosystem exchange of CO₂ (NEE) during summer months (May-Sep) for the target area (Sector, Fig. 1a) and the different vegetation types studied as an average over the years 2006–2021. Error bars indicate the standard deviation between the years.

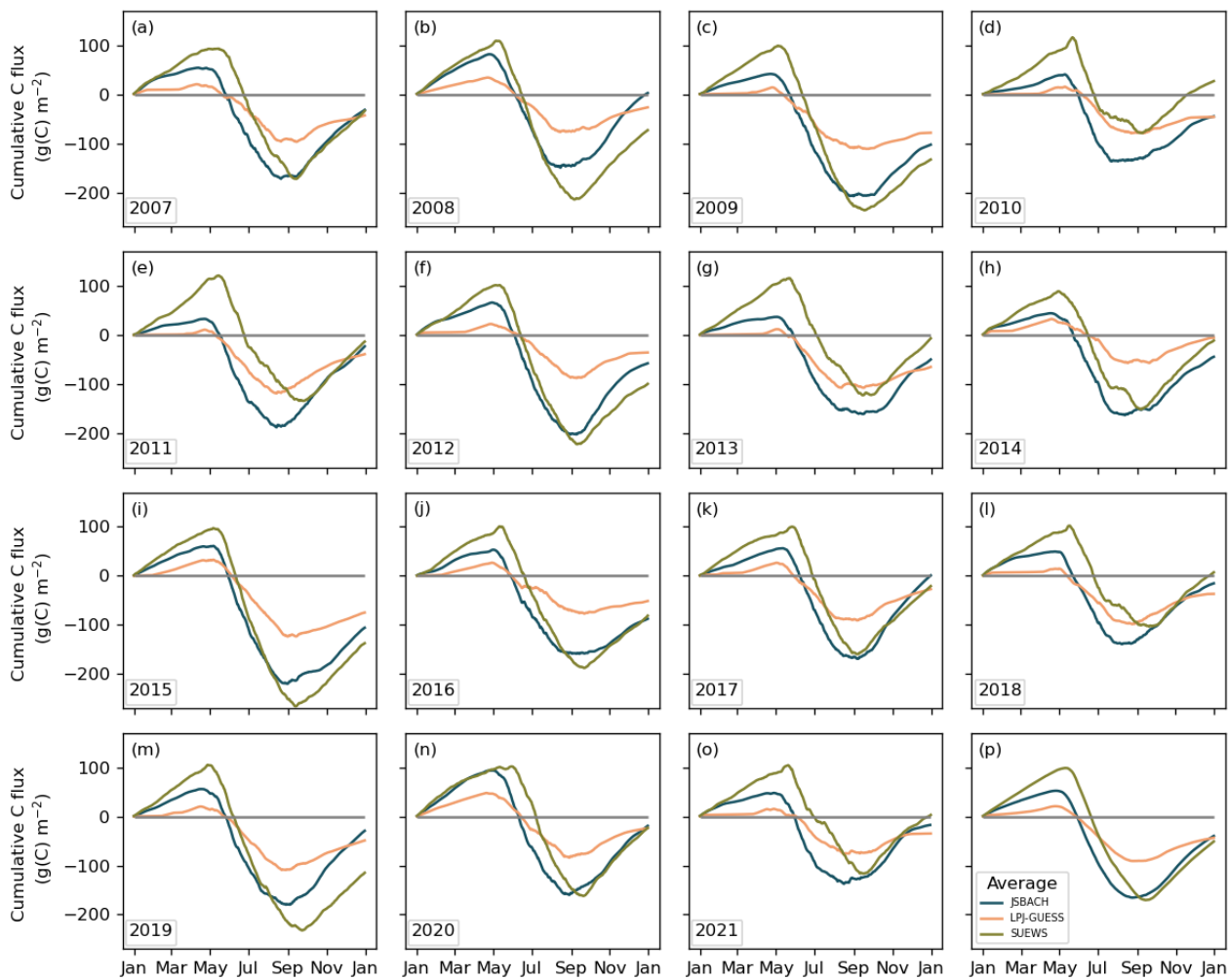


Figure S12. Cumulative net ecosystem exchange of CO₂ (NEE) by JSBACH, LPJ-GUESS and SUEWS in the different study years and as an average in the sector (Fig. 1).

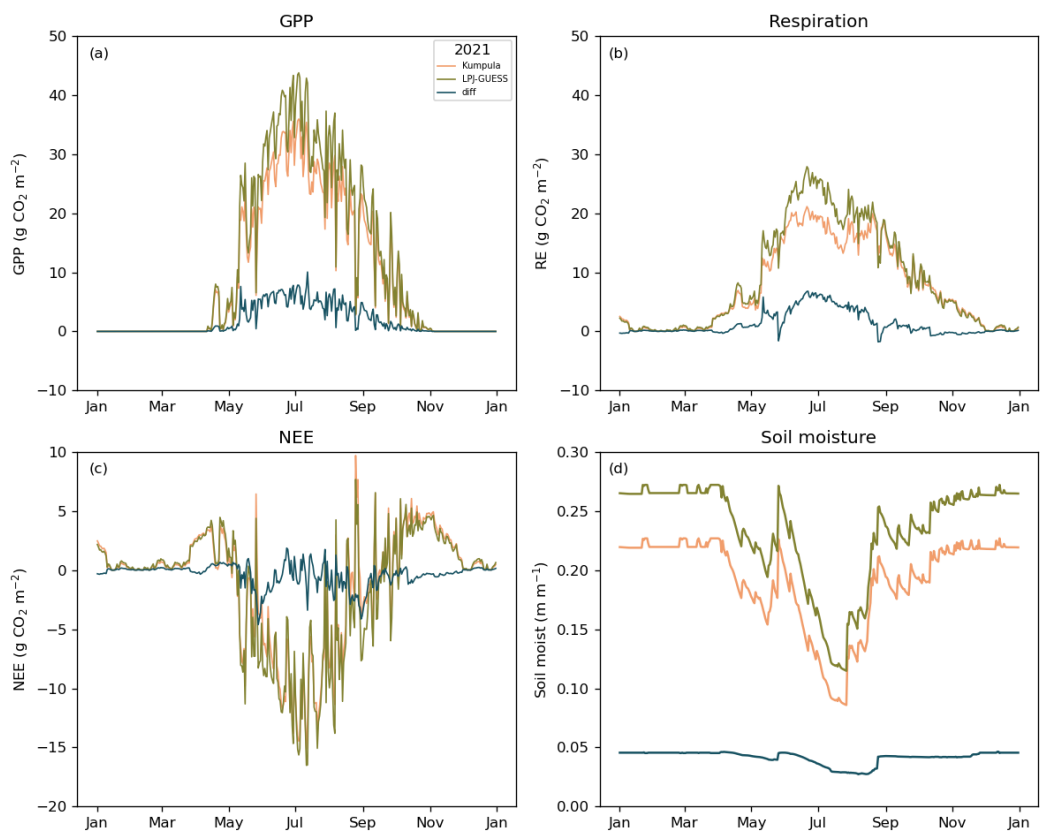


Figure S13. Urban forest GPP, respiration, NEE and soil moisture from LPJ-GUESS for year 2021 using the soil parameters from LPJ-GUESS soilmap (green line) and observed values (orange line). The blue line is difference between them.