

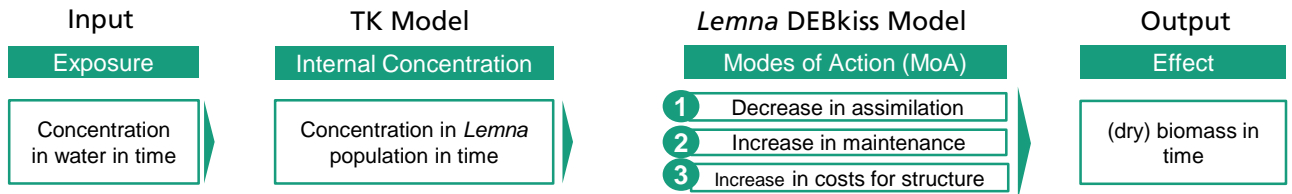
MODELLING GROWTH OF *LEMNA* EXPOSED TO METSULFURON-METHYL (MSM) USING A DYNAMIC ENERGY BUDGET APPROACH

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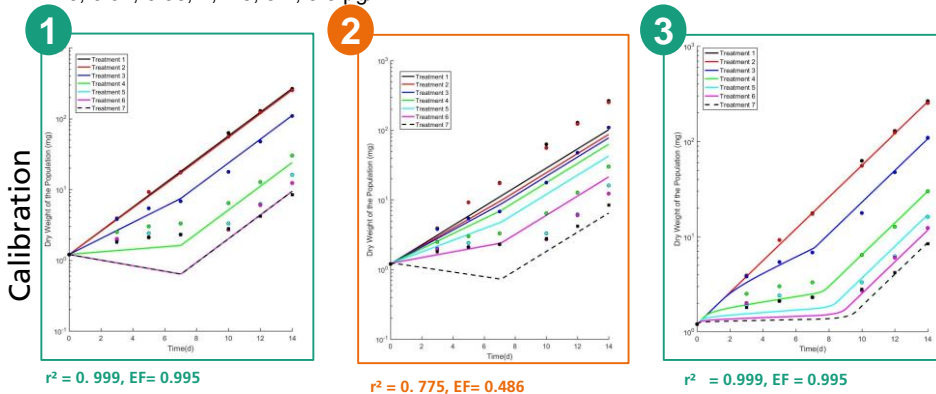
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Change of *Lemma* (dry) biomass in laboratory tests is predicted using a dynamic energy budget (DEB) model



Three possible different modes of actions were calibrated and validated separately

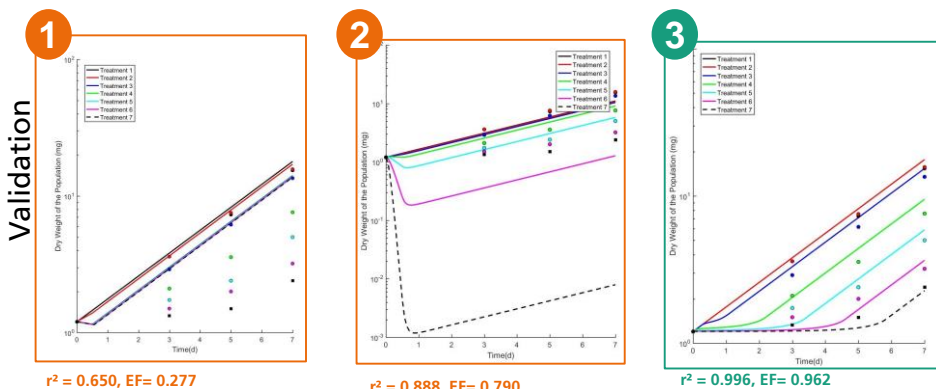
Calibration using data set A: 7 days constant exposure, 7 days recovery (Schmitt et al. 2013);
0, 0.32, 0.56, 1, 1.8, 3.2, 5.6 µg/L



Result

- The goodness of fit depends on the assumed mode of action
- Calibration of MoA 1 and of MoA 3 are both sufficiently good ($r^2 > 0.99$)
- MoA 3 clearly provides the best validation which fits to the MoA of MSM (inhibition of biosynthesis)

Verification using data set B: 12 hour constant exposure, test duration 7 days;
0, 0.5, 1.7, 5.6, 18.5, 61.7, 206 µg/L



Conclusions

- The model is able to describe mechanistically the effect of active substances either on assimilation, maintenance or structure
- In comparison to Schmitt et al. 2013, the *Lemma* DEBkiss Model is able to consider different MoA
- Further testing is necessary to observe the model with respect to different data sets of MSM and substances with other MoA

Dots = data, lines = predictions
 r^2 = coefficient of determination, EF = model efficiency

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Modelling growth of *Lemna* exposed to Metsulfuron-methyl using a dynamic energy budget approach

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The exposure of pesticides are dynamic and variable in time. However due to the complexity of the exposure profile, it is not possible to study every exposure in a laboratory experiment. To allow extrapolation to any predicted exposure profile, we model effects on growth using a simplified dynamic energy budget model (based on DEBkiss). This model is a mechanistic approach relying on mass and energy balance, which is suitable for the sublethal toxicity endpoint growth. We compare our model's performance with another *Lemna* model, developed by Schmitt et al. 2013. As a case study, we consider the sulfonyl-urea herbicide Metsulfuron-methyl (MSM).