

Carbon monitoring using remote sensing in agriculture: review protocol

1- Topic and objectives

Objectives:

1.1 Summarize the findings the previous decade of literature on the use of remote sensing to monitor terrestrial carbon in croplands.

1.2 Conduct a thorough literature analysis with a focus on the various sensors, spectral properties, and scales utilized in the context of agriculture to measure above- and below-ground carbon.

2- Search

2.1 keywords

"remote sensing" AND "carbon*" AND [agriculture OR cropland]

2.2 Search engines

- i) Web of Science
- ii) Scopus
- iii) Google Scholar

2.3 Data quality and filtering

- i) First visual screening of title, abstract and keywords, to remove non relevant manuscripts
- ii) Import the bibliographic data as csv in a python environment
- iii) Assigned the corresponding JCR Report (Q1, Q2, Q3) based on journal names
- iv) Locating duplicates in python
- v) Thorough visual screening of the whole manuscript based on the requirements listed above.
- vi) Second collection of manuscripts based on the bibliography listed on the selected records and circling back through steps 2.3.i to 2.3.v.

2.4 Selection criteria of required parameters

- i) Use of remote sensing platforms (spaceborne, airborne, UAS)
- ii) Carbon assessment, either at soil level through soil samples or at plant level through different methods
- iii) Study site must be in croplands
- iv) Only records from 2012

Other useful information extracted from the records:

- i) Type of spectral information used in the analysis (multispectral, hyperspectral or both)
- ii) Platform (spaceborne, airborne, UAS or a combination)
- iii) What fraction was targeted, above or below ground
- iv) Statistical method employed
- v) Country or area where the study was conducted

3- Extract data

- i) Using text mining and natural language analysis raw data was extracted from all the records to find the most relevant topics and groups of words
- ii) Visual extraction of more complex data to be identified by the model as well as gaps fillers.
- iii) Code available at: https://github.com/LucianaNieto/preliminary_exam