LARGE APERTURE SCINTILLOMETER USED OVER A HOMOGENEOUS IRRIGATED AREA

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Abstract

Scintillometer offer the unique possibility of measuring the vertical flux of sensible heat averaged over distances comparable with the footprint of satellite images. A Large Aperture Scintillometers (LAS) were installed over a wheat field, located in the suburb of Marrakech city (Morocco), surrounded by other parcels of wheat approximately the same growth stage. Pathlength for scintillometer was 690m. Under day time conditions, the comparison against reference fluxes obtained from eddy correlation systems shows a good agreement in dry and wet conditions**.**

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