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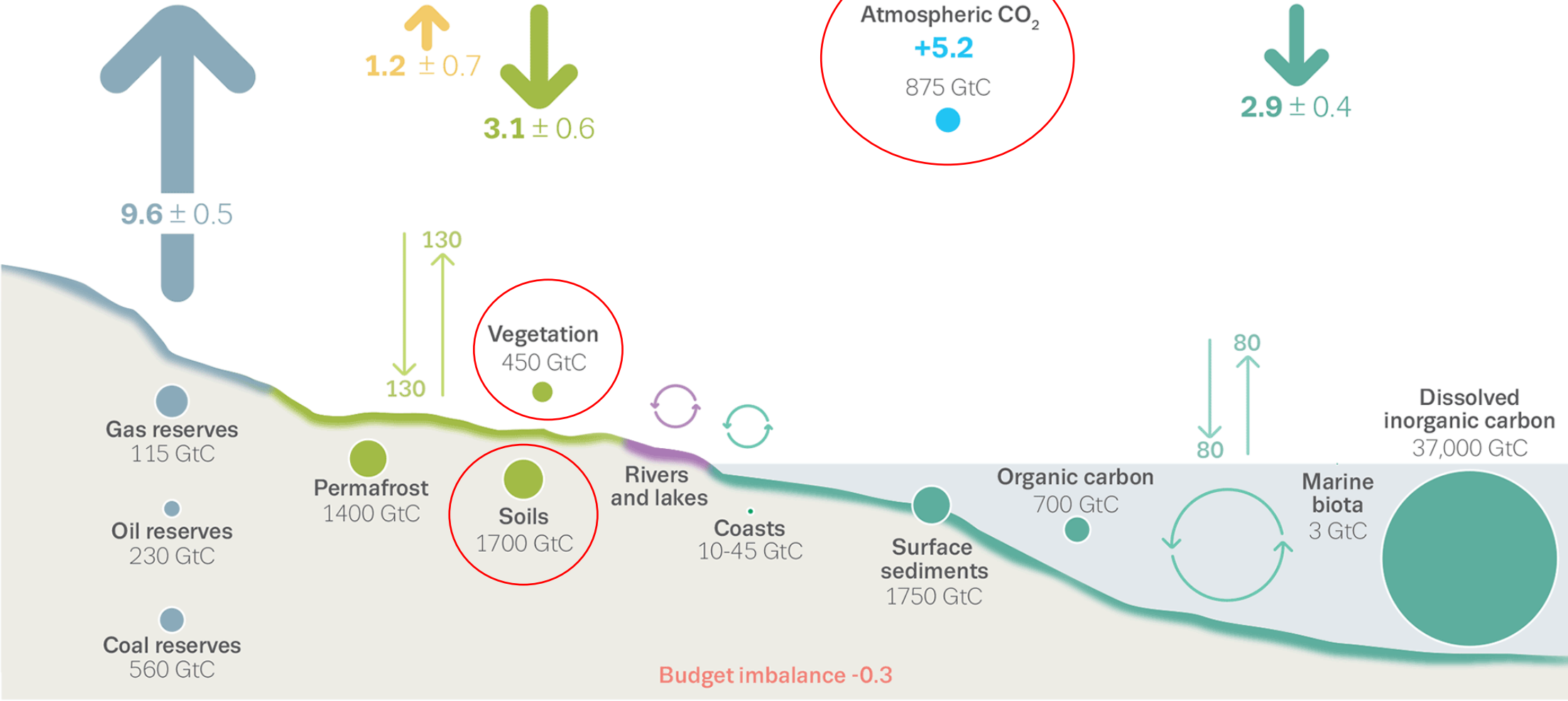
# Microbial Models for Simulating Soil Carbon Dynamics: A Review

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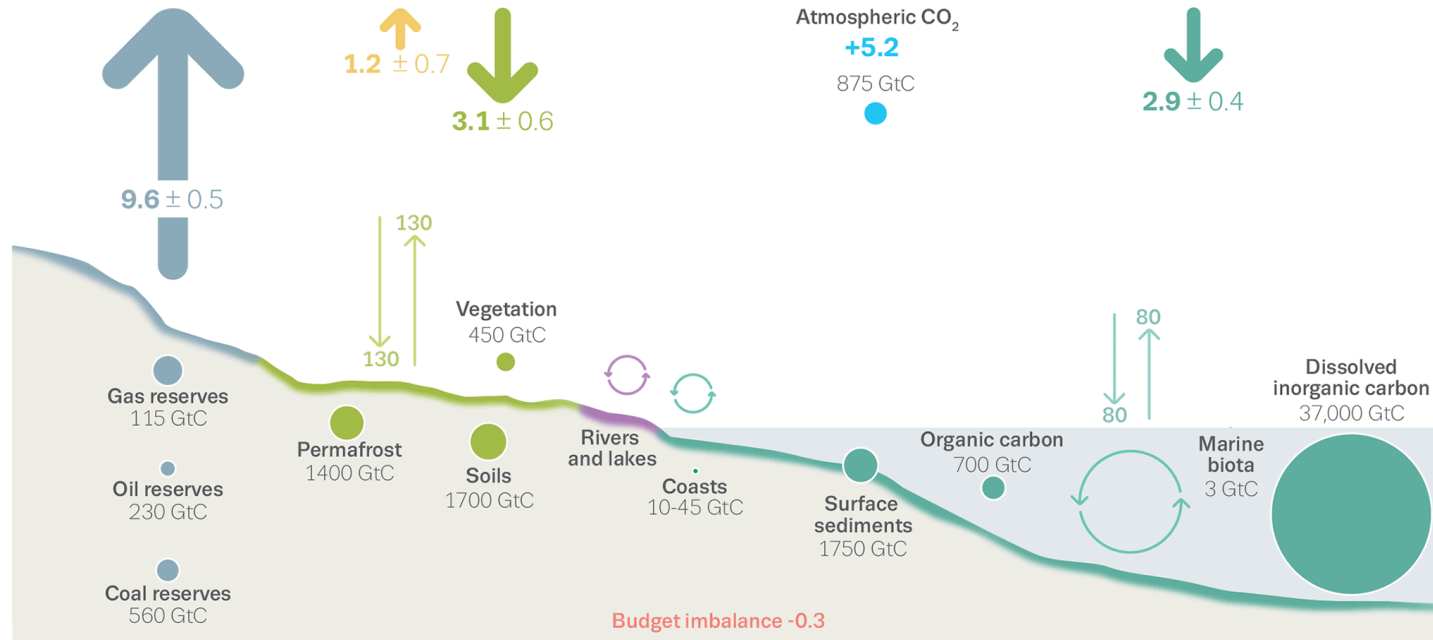
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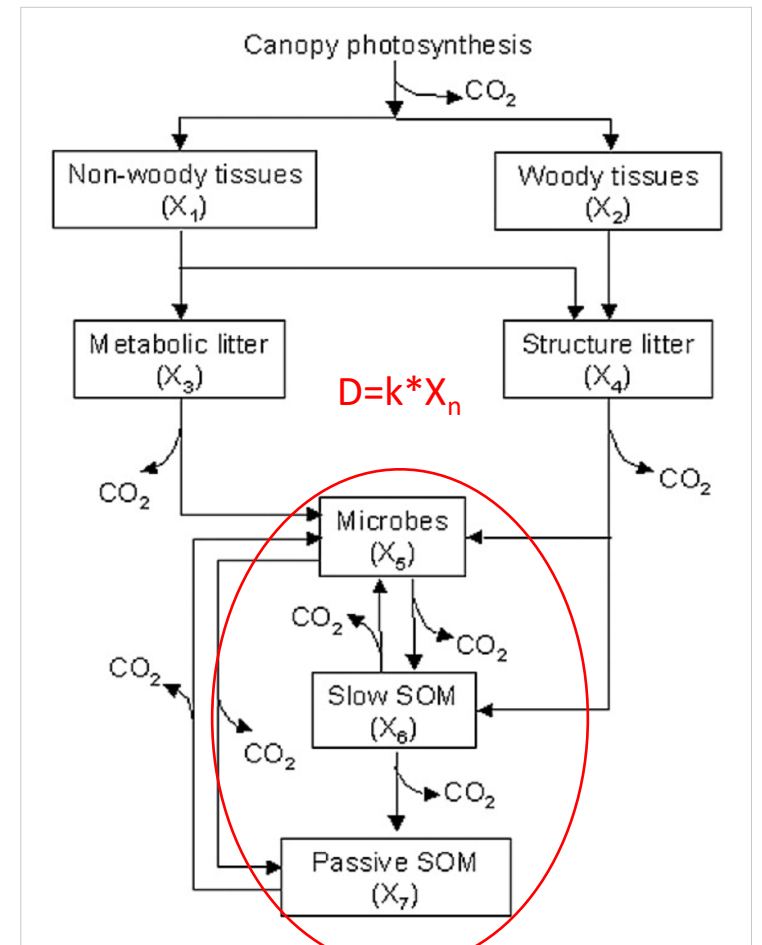


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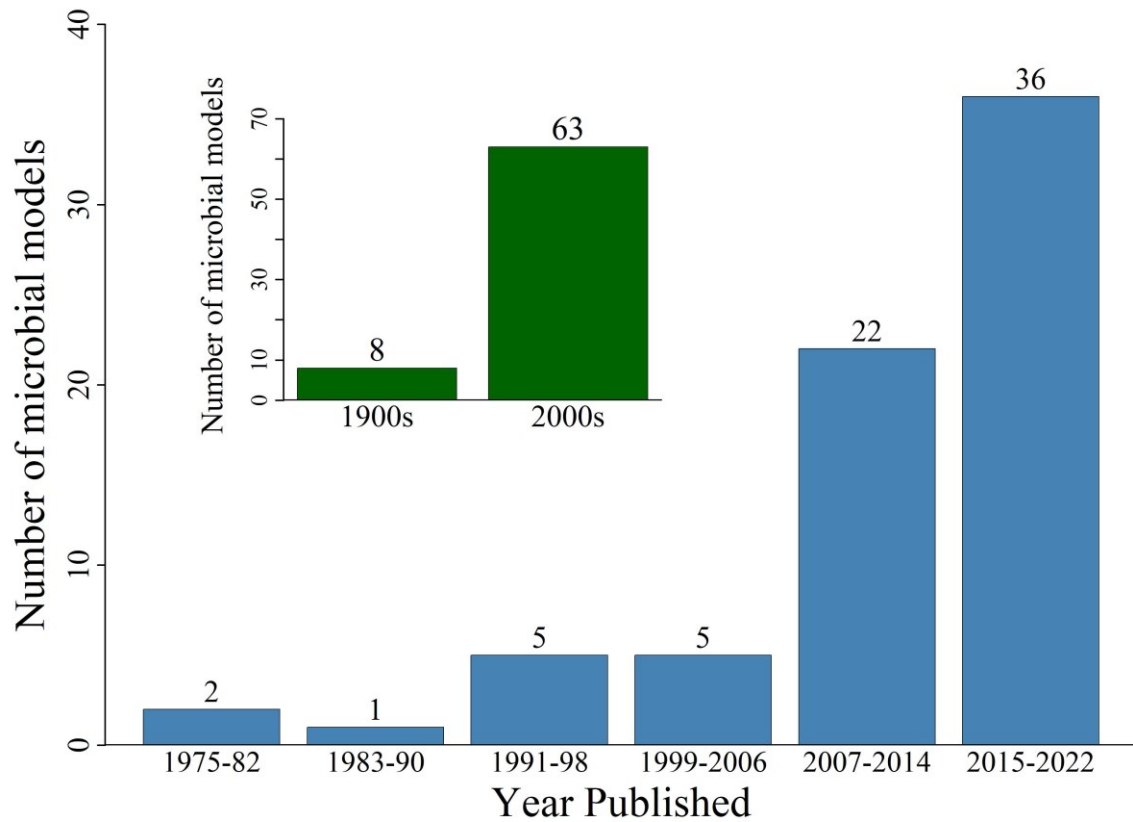


Figure 1: Historical Development of Microbial models

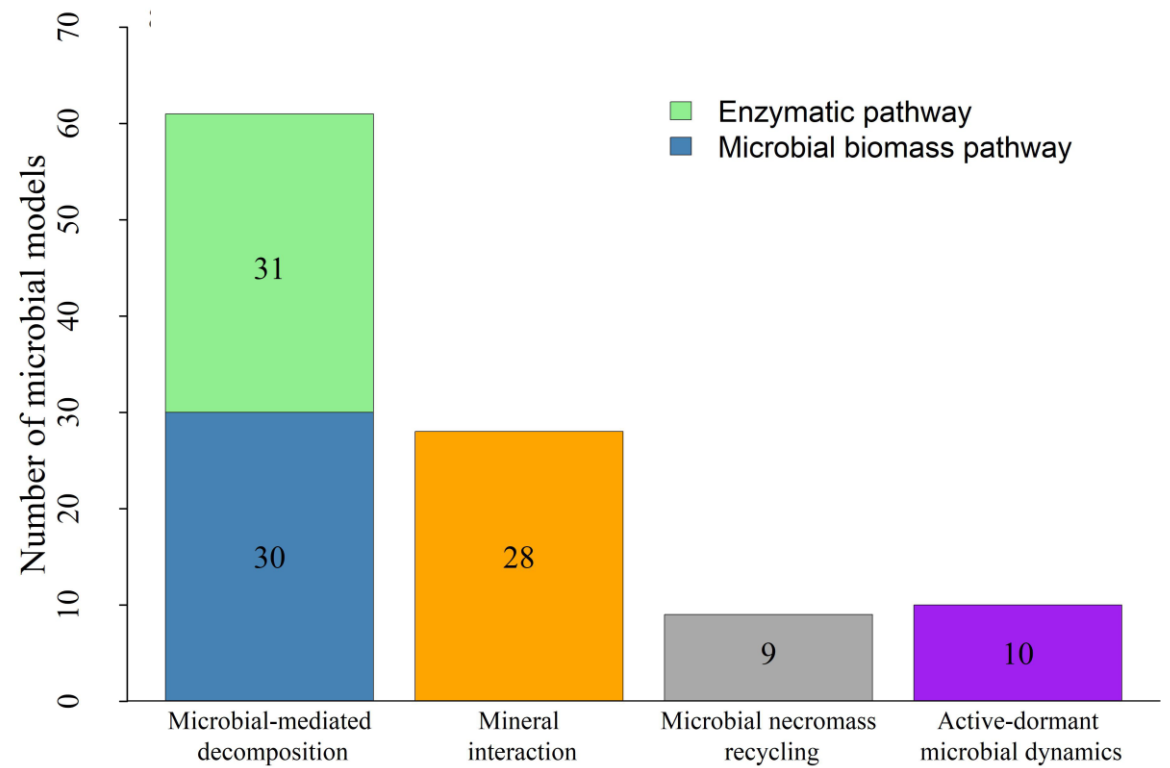


Figure 2: Microbial processes present in Microbial models

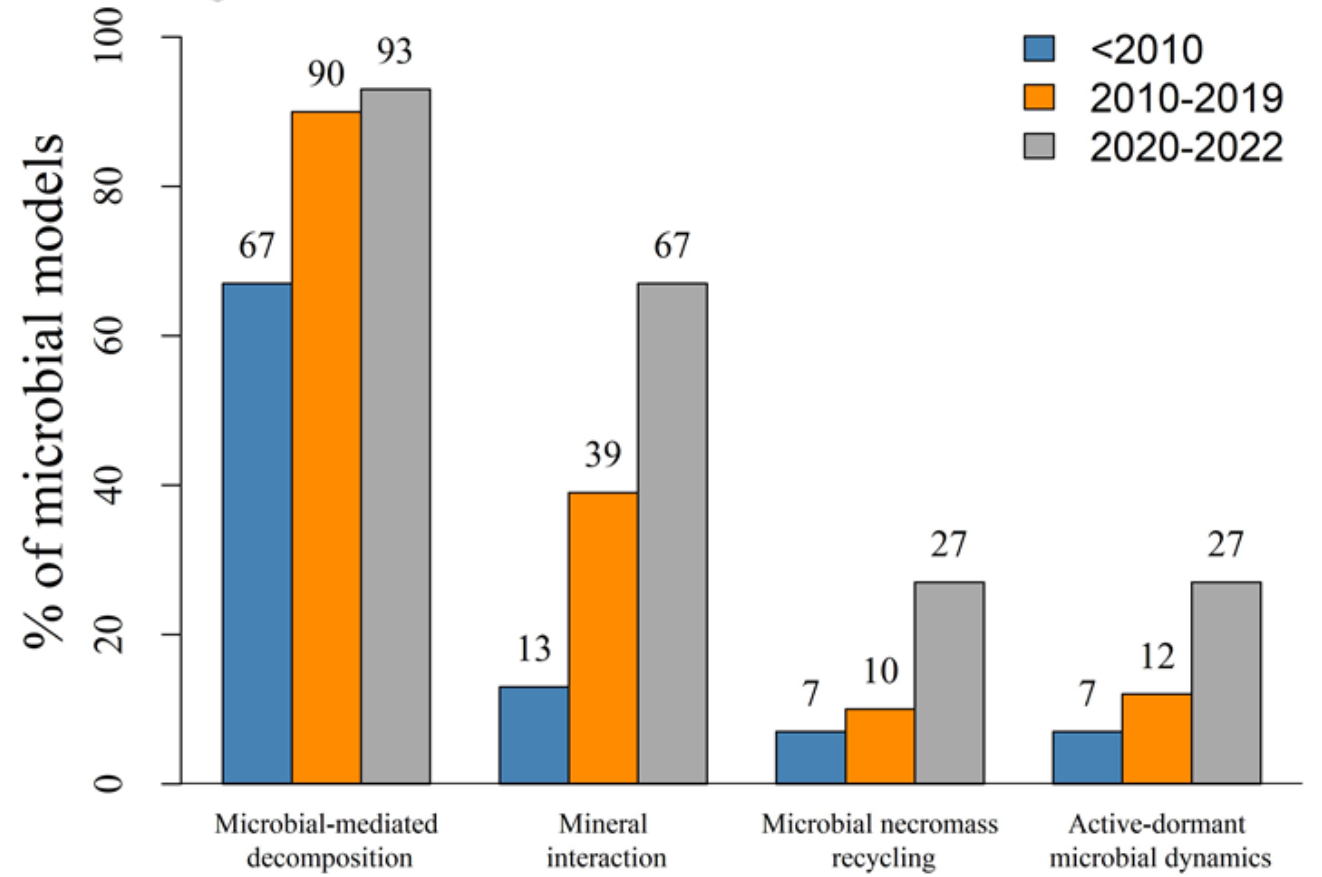
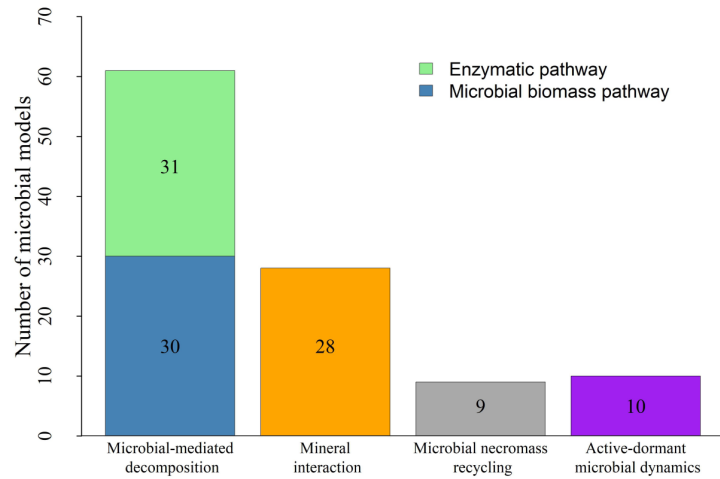
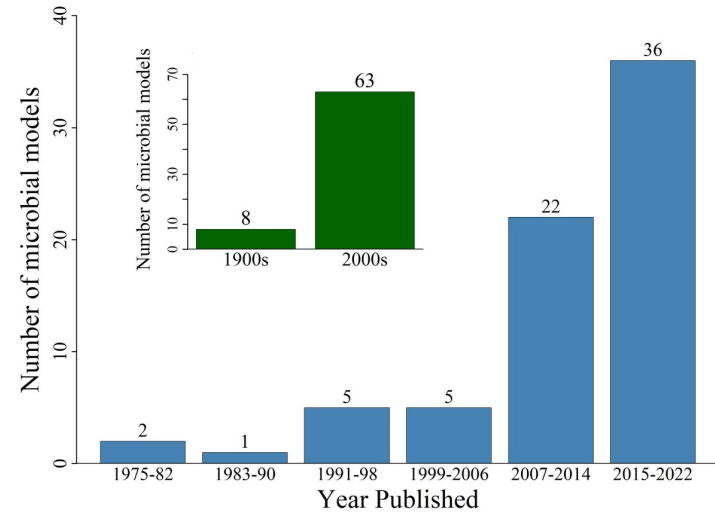
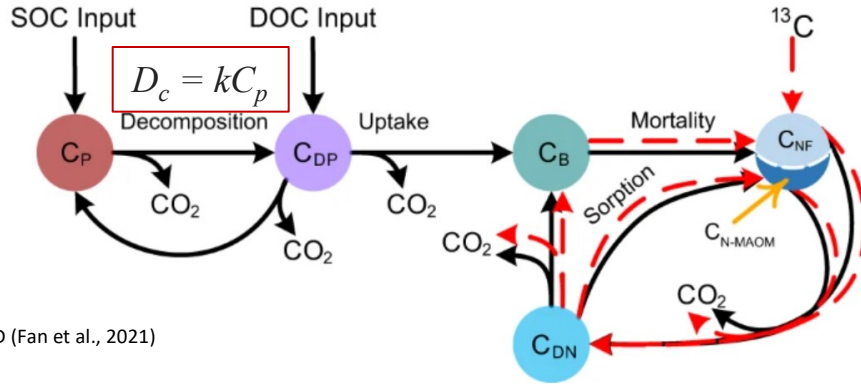


Figure 3: Consideration of microbial processes



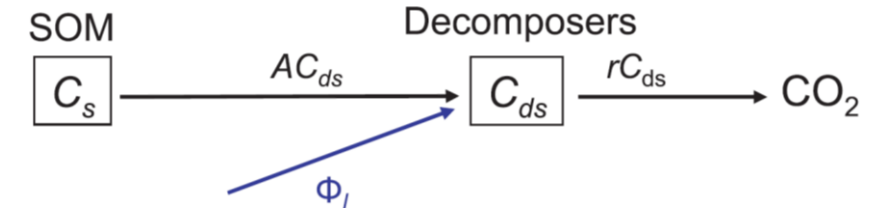
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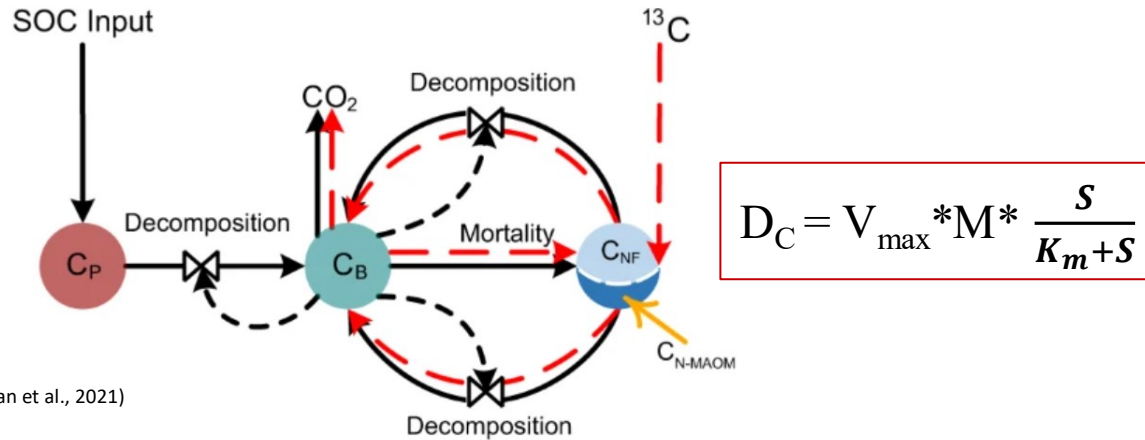
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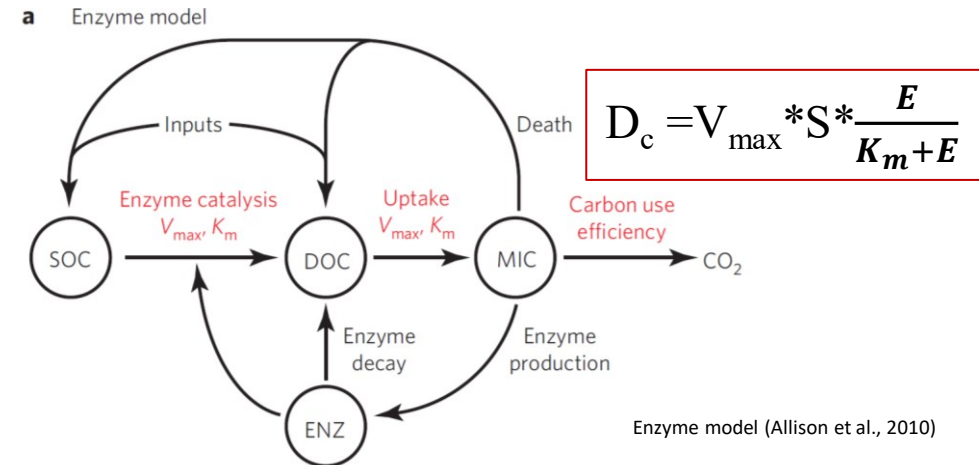
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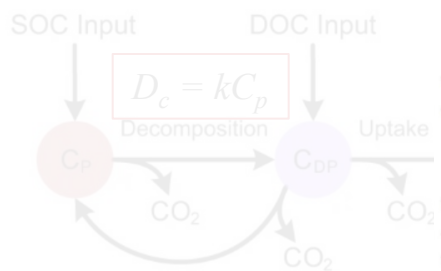
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Enzyme model (Allison et al., 2010)

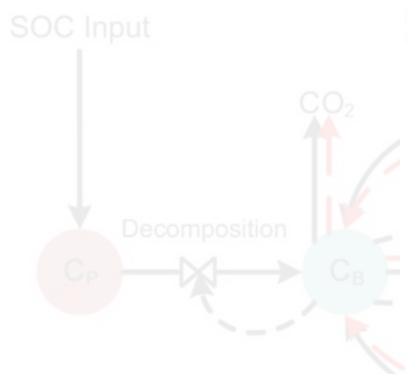
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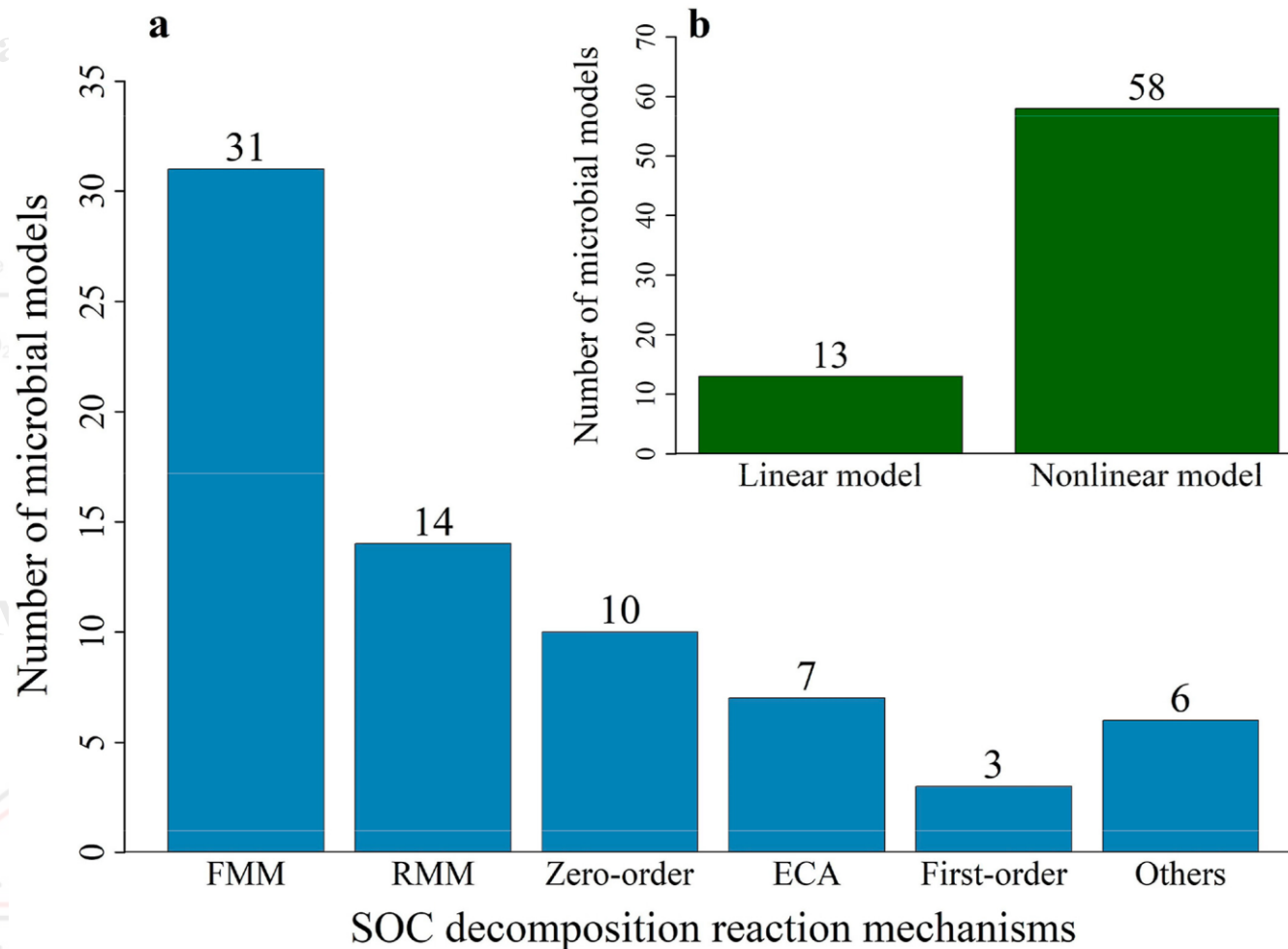


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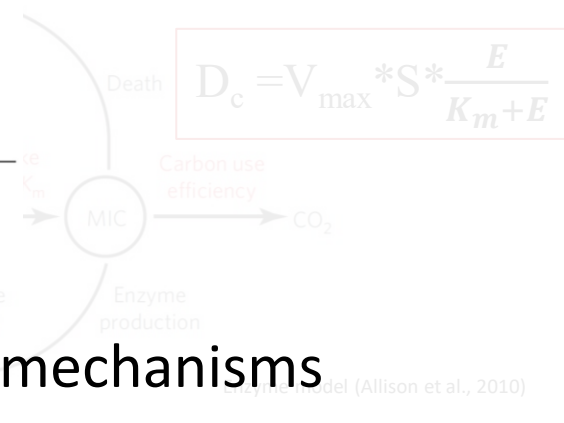


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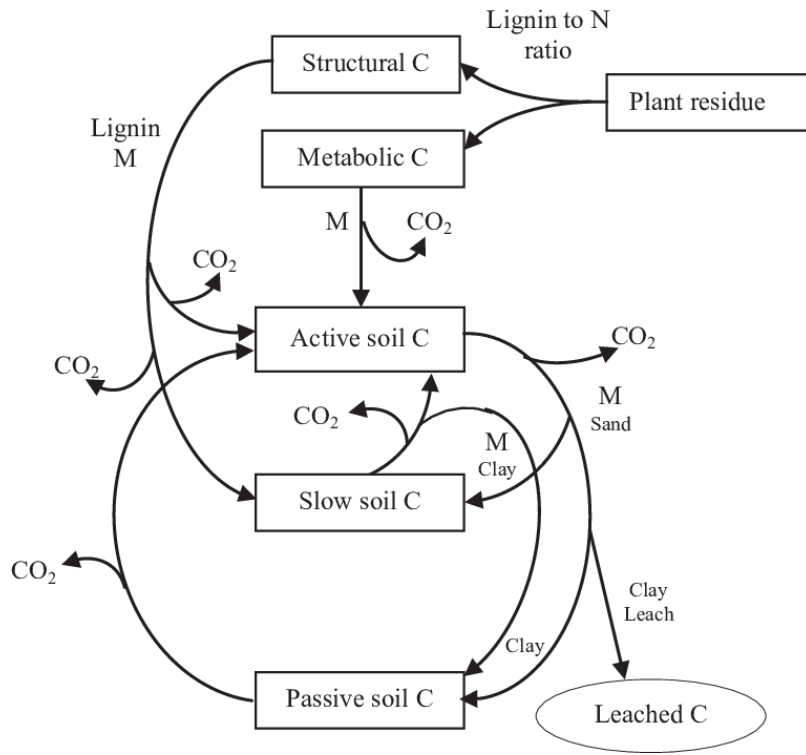
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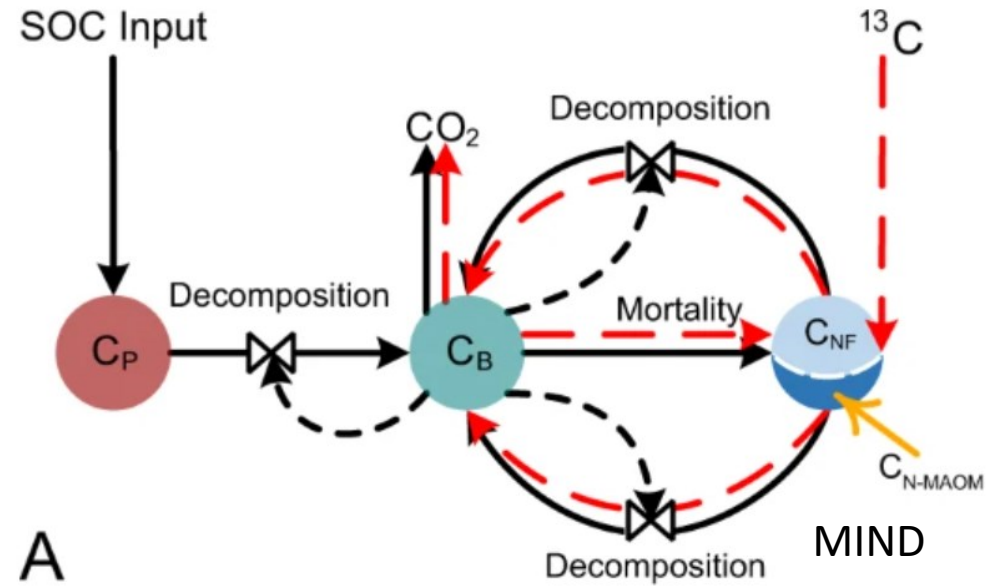
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Figure 4: Number of Microbial models adopted decomposition mechanisms

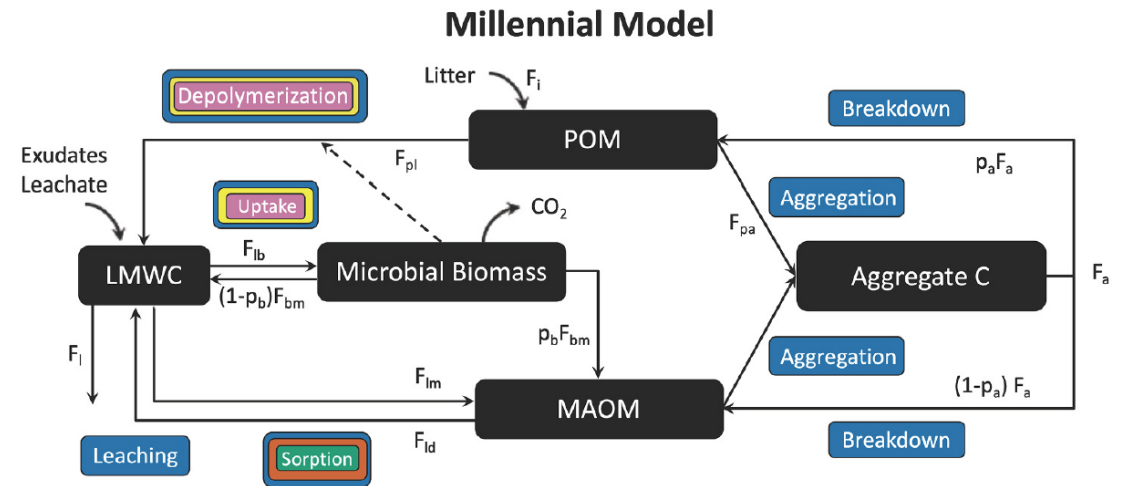
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Conventional model (CENTURY)

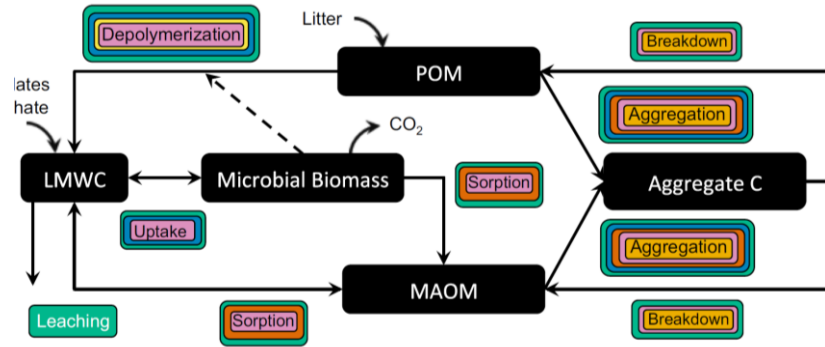


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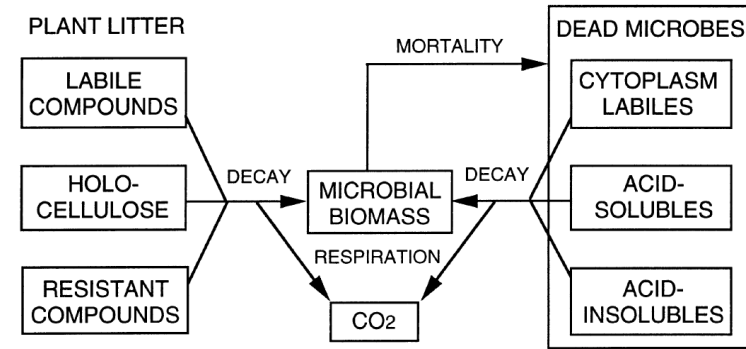


Millennial v2.0

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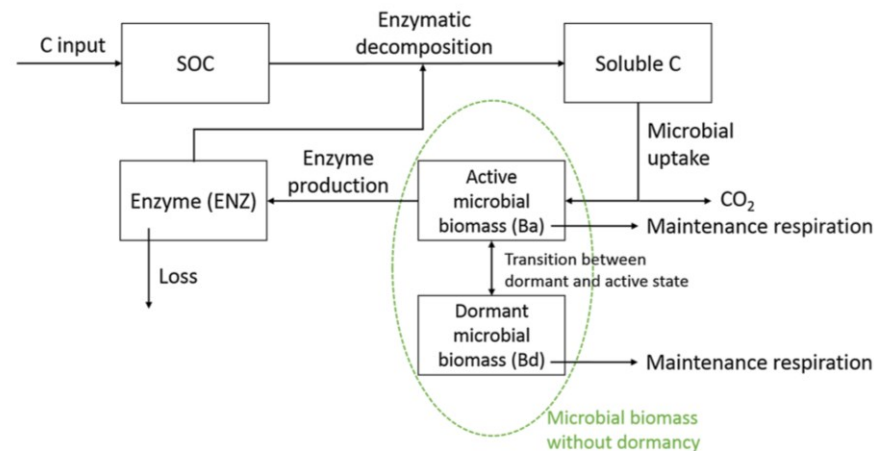


Millennial model



GENDEC model

# Microbial Process 4: Active and Dormant Microbial Physiological States



DORMANCY model

# Challenges and Recommendations

1. Experimental evidence for rate-limitation in Microbial Models
2. Lack of observational data to estimate model parameters
3. Model complexity

# Summary

- Four microbial processes were mostly incorporated into models with different mathematical equations
  - Microbial-mediated decomposition
  - Mineral interaction
  - Microbial necromass recycling
  - Active and Dormant Physiological states
- Diversity in model structures and parameters indicates uncertainty in translating current knowledge of microbial processes into models.
- Data-driven model development and parameterization are highly recommended to improve the prediction of microbial models.

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**Any question?**