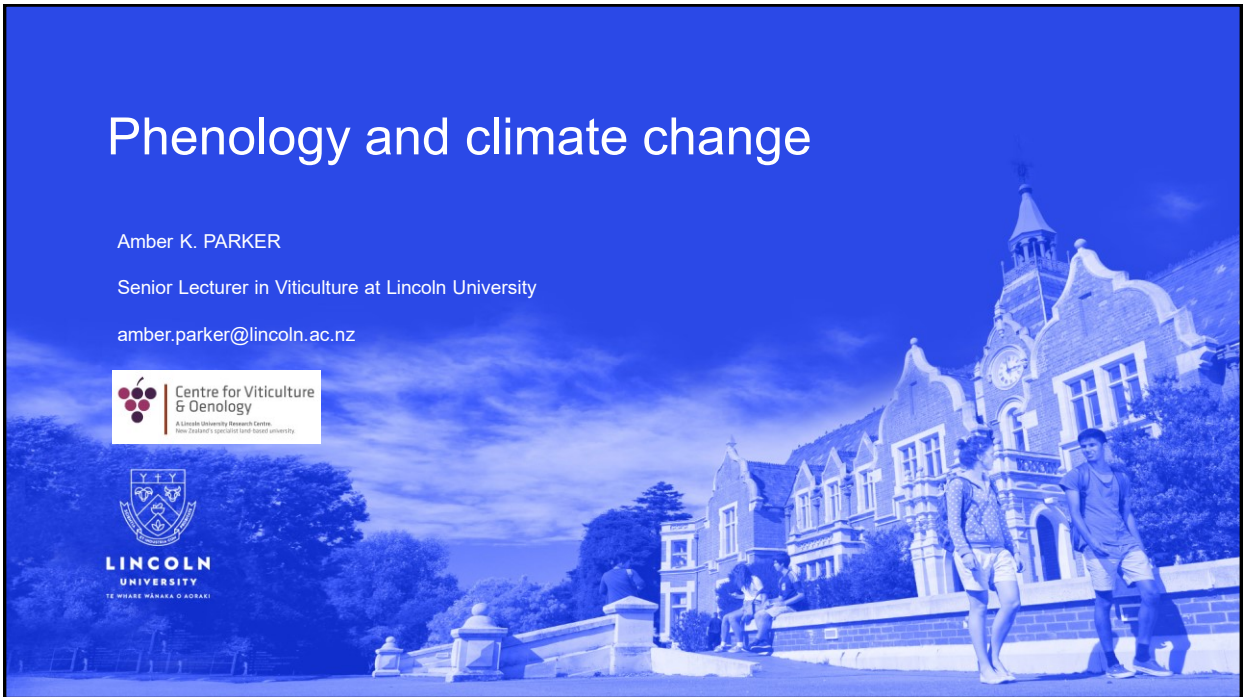


# Phenology and climate change

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## PHENOLOGY

- Study of stages of growth and development in the life cycle of living organisms



García de Cortázar-Atauri, I.

- Temperature is a key driver of phenology



## PHENOLOGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE



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### THE “SO WHAT?”

- Biodiversity variable
- Need to understand the change in timing of life cycle events of the plant in response to climate change



# THE IMPORTANCE OF HISTORICAL PHENOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS



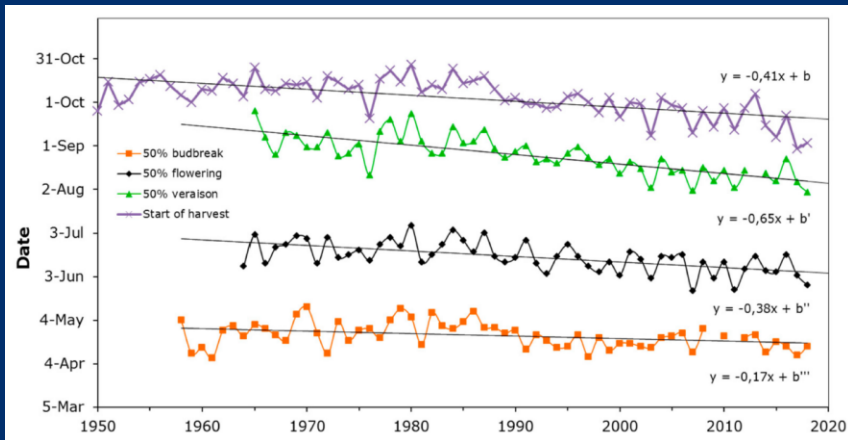
# LONG TERM DATA SERIES – LESSONS FROM ABROAD

Over 70 years:

Riesling in Alsace

Since 1989:

-25 days  
-39 days  
-23 days  
-10 days



-6 days/ 10 years

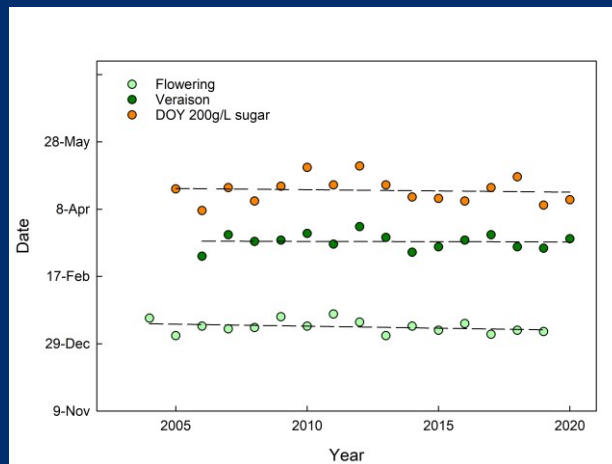
-3 days/ 10 years

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## CLOSER TO HOME...

## Sauvignon blanc, Oyster bay, Marlborough



-2 days/ 10 years

- 0.4 days/ 10 years

- 3 days/ 10 years

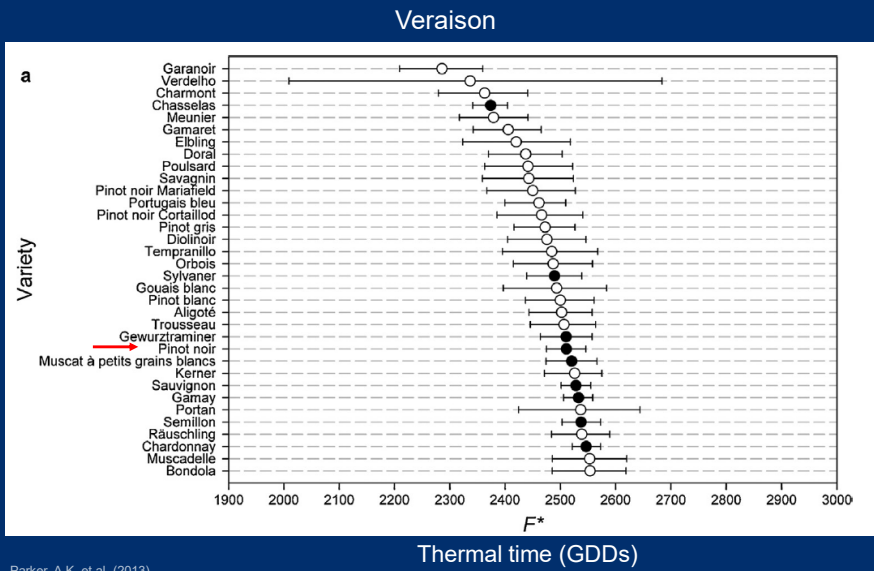


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# THE IMPORTANCE OF PHENOLOGICAL MODELS



# GRAPEVINE FLOWERING VERAISON MODEL



“GDD” model

Starts 29 August

Base temperature of 0°C

Classified:

95 varieties for flowering

104 varieties for veraison

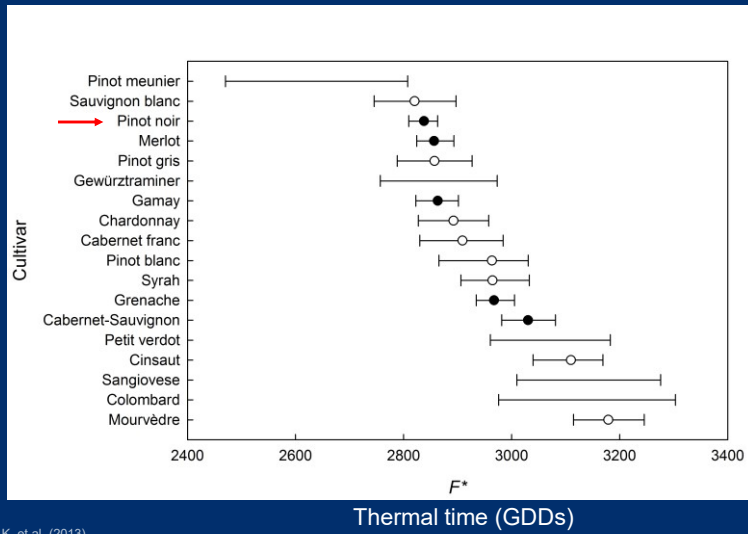


Parker, A.K., et al. (2013)



# GRAPEVINE SUGAR RIPENESS MODEL

200g/L sugar



"GDD" model

Starts 30 September

Base temperature of 0°C

Classified:

170g/L, 180g/L, 200g/L,  
210g/L, 220g/L sugar

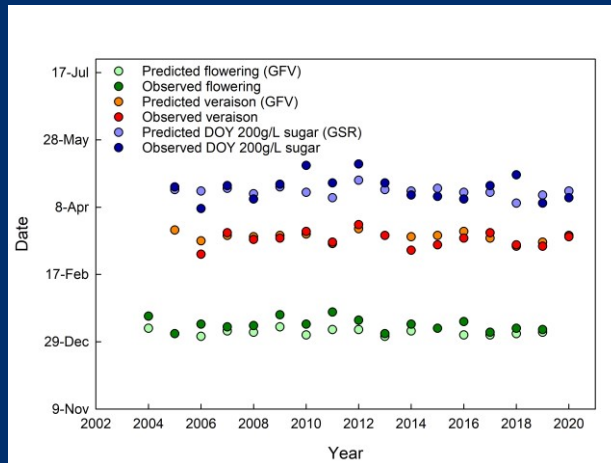
Up to 65 varieties



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## PREDICTING THE PAST TO PRESENT DAY

Sauvignon blanc, Oyster bay, Marlborough

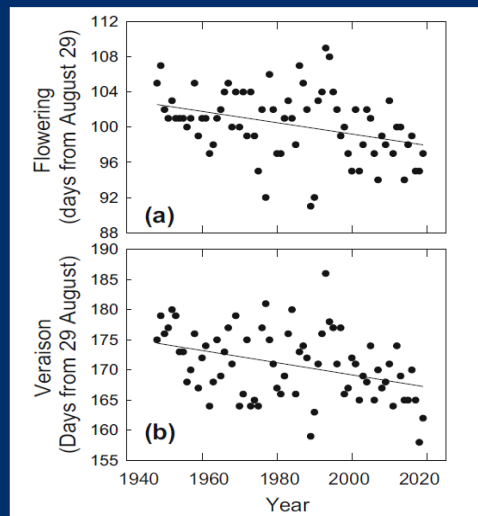


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## PREDICTING THE PAST TO PRESENT DAY

Climate data from  
Marlborough Regional Station  
(1947-2019)



-0.7 days/ 10 years

-1 / 10 years

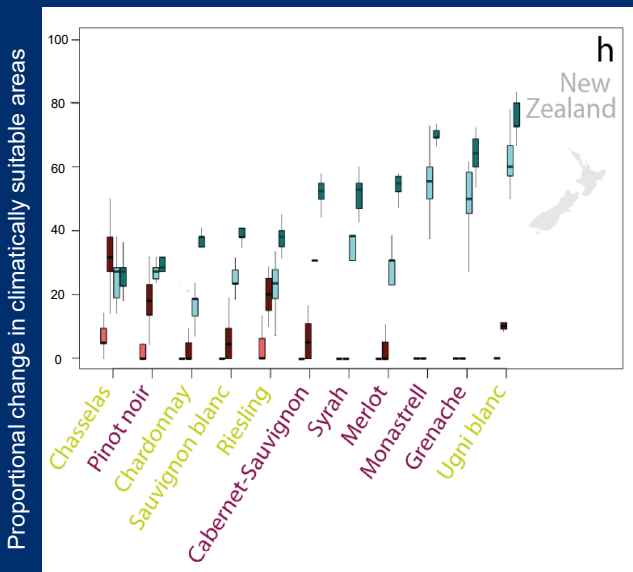
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CLIMATE CHANGE  
WHAT DOES THE FUTURE LOOK LIKE?



# THE FUTURE?



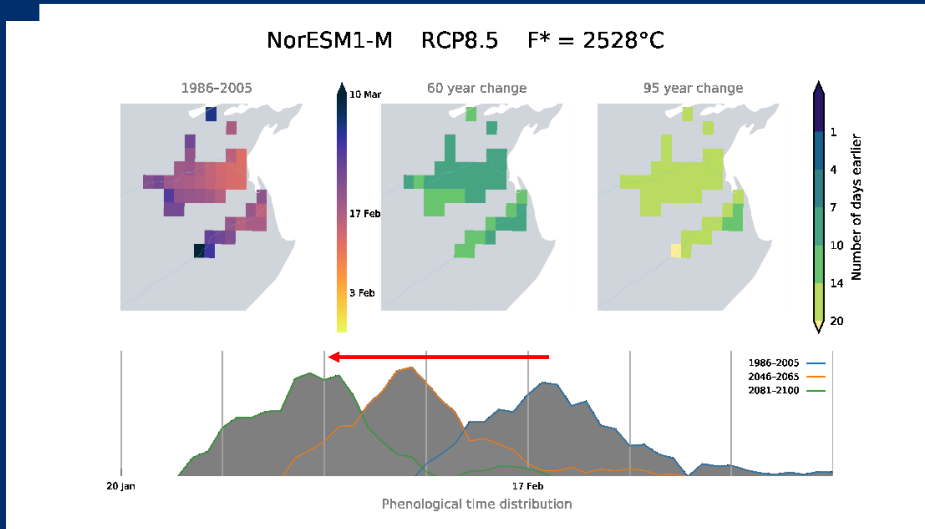
- Decrease in suitability at 2°C warming
- Decrease in suitability at 4°C warming
- Increase in suitability at 2°C warming
- Increase in suitability at 4°C warming

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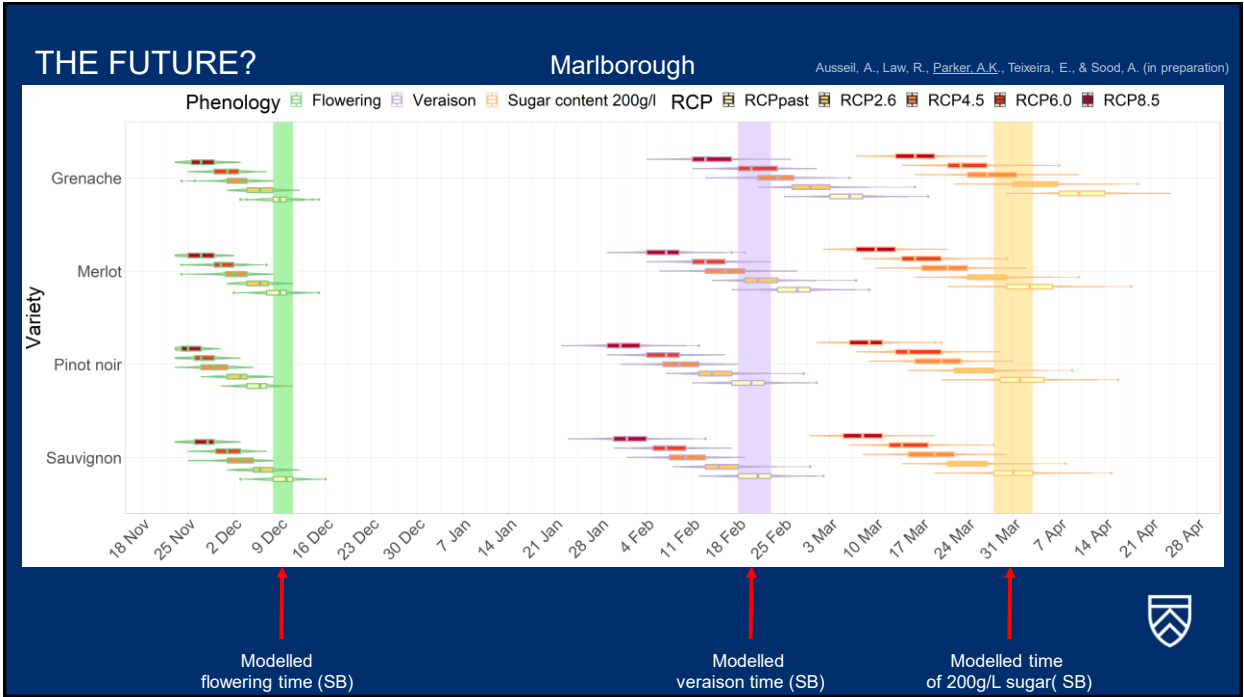
# THE FUTURE?

Sauvignon blanc veraison, Marlborough



Ausseil, A., Law, R., Parker, A.K., Teixeira, E., & Sood, A. (in preparation)



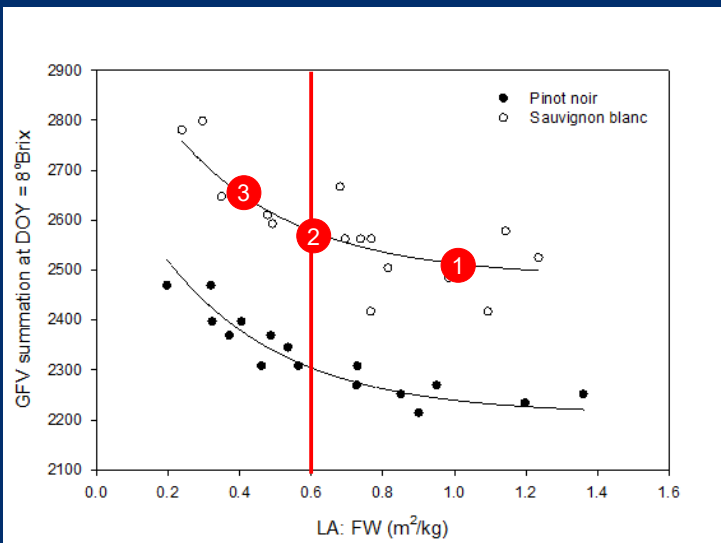


# ADAPTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE





## COMBINING PHENOLOGY MODELS WITH ADAPTATION STRATEGIES



Parker, A. (2012)

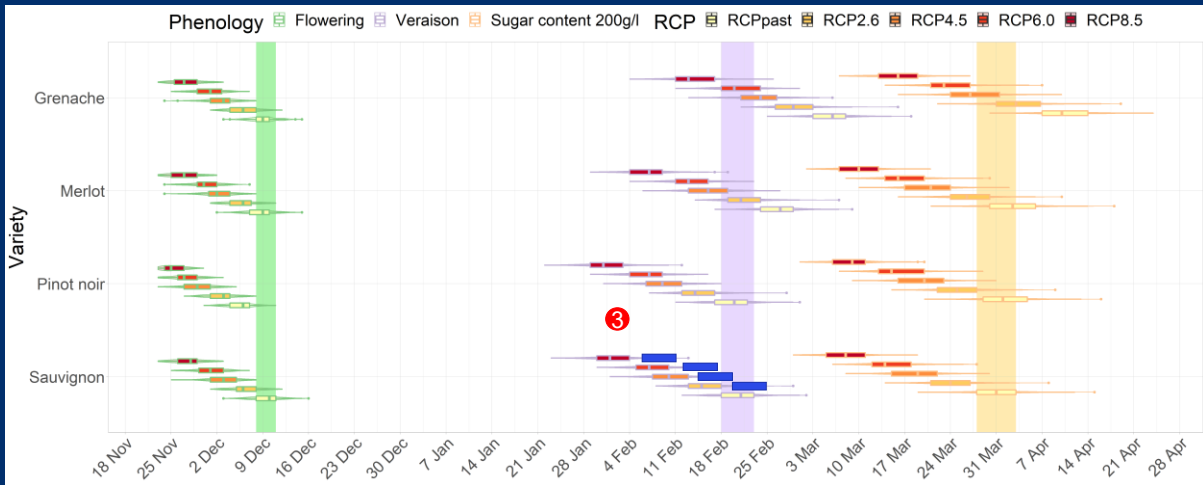
Average temperature of 17°C

2 Delay of 3.8 days

3 Delay of 8.3 days



## COMBINING PHENOLOGY MODELS WITH ADAPTATION STRATEGIES



② LA:FW ratio 0.6 m<sup>2</sup>/kg = Delay of 3.8 days in veraison

③ LA:FW ratio of 0.4 m<sup>2</sup>/kg = Delay of 8.3 days in veraison



## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

- Phenology and historical records are important
- Backbone to understand adaptation
- Need to also consider the ecosystem
- Mitigation



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