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- > **NERC:** UK Government funding body for environmental science
- CEH: NERC's research institute in the terrestrial and freshwater environmental sciences
- ➤ 4 sites across the UK (Edinburgh and Wallingford/Oxford most relevant)
- > 334 Research scientists, ~120 postgraduate students
- Broad range of research in 8 science areas



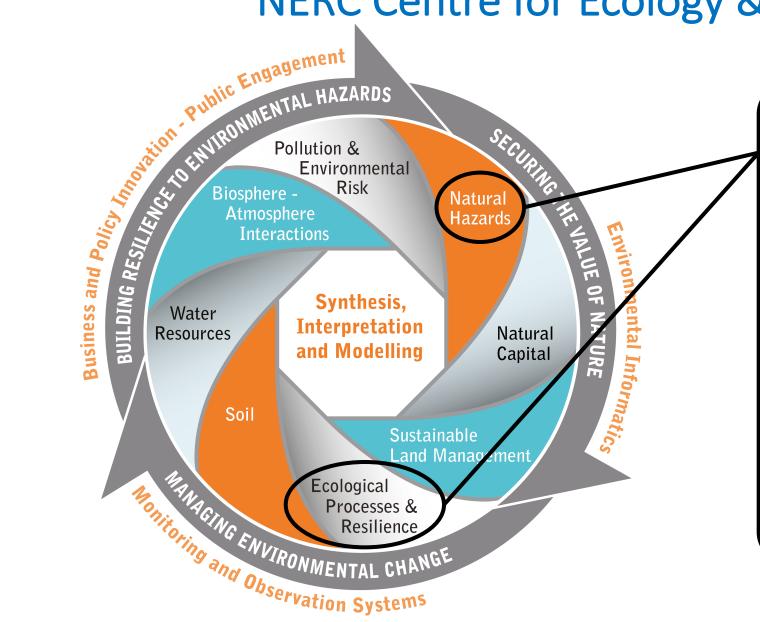
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Invasive species and disease ecology

Data (DAISIE, GB Non-Native Species Information Portal, UK Biological Records Centre)

Risk modelling (Species distribution models, dispersal and population dynamics, transport and contact networks)

Priority species (*Xylella fastidiosa, Phytophthora,* bluetongue virus, Harlequin ladybird *Harmonia axyridis,* ragweed *Ambrosia artemisiifolia*)

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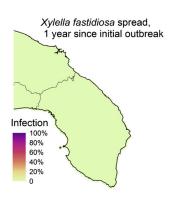
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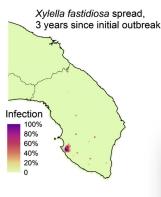
Main facilities

- Labs: Entomological and pathogen research (not quarantined), plant growth facilities
- Experimental fields: Range of experimental and long-term monitoring field sites
- Accomodation: Able to host visitors in our institutes (offices, labs, meeting rooms) but visitors will need to find independent accommodation (e.g. Edinburgh/Oxford)
- **Xylella team:** Dr Daniel Chapman, Prof. James Bullock, Dr Steven White



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Xylella fastidiosa spread, 5 years since initial outbreak

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- Main activities on Xylella fastidiosa
 - <u>Projects</u>: XF-Actors, EFSA-funded project on modelling in plant health
 - **Research activities:**
 - Spatial epidemiological model for spread of the Italian epidemic (bacteria olive trees, weeds, insects)
 - Dispersal/spread patterns
 - How to plan surveillance and management

➢ Publications:

Biol Invasions (2017) 19:1825–1837 DOI 10.1007/s10530-017-1393-5

ORIGINAL PAPER

Modelling the spread and control of *Xylella fastidiosa* in the early stages of invasion in Apulia, Italy

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