

Supplementary Materials

Text S1: Code documentation of the call to the RESTful API of the Arungro model.

In order to access the online simulation service and make RESTful API requests to the Arungro model, the user must first take out a subscription to the product named “Models for bioenergy” at CREA API portal (<https://developer.progettoagridigit.it/>). The registration allows users to set their own profile, to obtain corresponding access credentials and personal keys to include when submitting requests to the service.

Once the credentials are obtained, the service can be called via a POST request at the URL: <https://apim-https://developer.progettoagridigit.it/model/v1/ModelExecution>, which can be made with dedicated web API testing tools (e.g. Postman application, freely downloadable at <https://www.postman.com/downloads/>). A typical POST request to the Arungro model made by Postman is shown as shown in Fig S.1

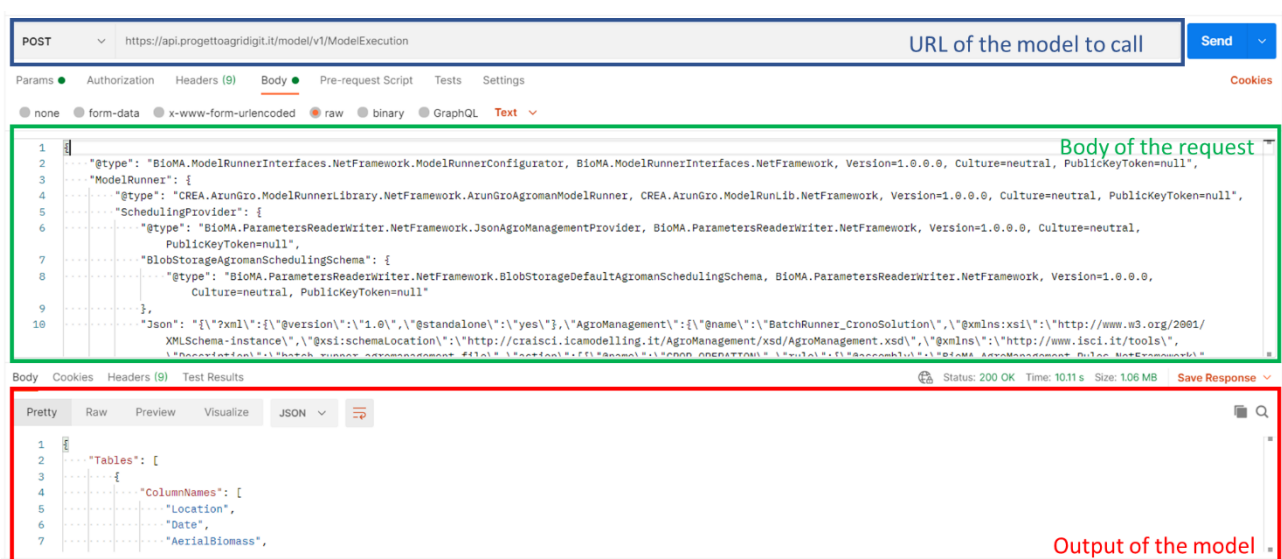


Fig.S1. POST request to the online service for Arungro model simulation.

Each request consists of two sections:

- (i) the URL address of the API to be called;
- (ii) the body of the request, which must contain the information needed to configure the simulation and provide weather and soil data, together with the scheduling of the management practices. The body of the request must be provided in json format.

The call returns results in a text format.

The general structure of the body of a request is reported in Fig. S2. An example of input formatting for different input domains is reported from figure S3 to S6. The scheduling of agricultural practices must, at least, define the transplanting date, and cutting and irrigation dates, if any (Fig. S3). The valorization of the complete list of model parameters is reported in Fig. S4, which are fully discussed in the main text of the paper. The model needs as weather input daily records of minimum and maximum air temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$), cumulative rainfall (mm d^{-1}), global solar radiation ($\text{MJ m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$), and wind speed (m s^{-2}), and formatted as reported in Fig. S5. The set-up of soil data requires the definition of soil texture (sand and clay, % v/v) and organic carbon (dag kg^{-1}) for each soil layer and horizon (Fig. S6).


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Fig. S3. Region for defining the scheduling of agromanagement practices, formatted as required by the API call.

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Fig. S6. Region for setting soil data for model simulation in API call.

The list of model outputs together with their brief description and unit of measurement is shown in Table S1.

Table S1. Arungro model output as returned by online service.

Output variable	Unit of measurement	Description
Location		Simulation site
Date	yyyy-mm-dd	Date
AerialBiomass	t ha-1	Aerial dry biomass
TotalBiomass	t ha-1	Total dry biomass
StalkBiomass	t ha-1	Stalk dry biomass
InterceptedPAR	MJ ha-1	Intercepted photosynthetically active radiation
LAI	m ² m-2	Green leaf area index
TotalLAI	m ² m-2	Total leaf area index
TotalLeavesNumber	leaves m-2	Number of leaves per square meter
TillerPopulation	tiller m-2	Number of tillers per square meter
TotalMaxTillerPopulation	tiller m-2	Max attainable tiller population
ThermalTimeForTillerDevelopment	°C d	Thermal time for tiller development
ThermalTimeFromPlantingOrRatooning	°C d	Thermal time from planting or ratooning
PotentialTranspiration	mm d-1	Potential transpiration
ActualTranspiration	mm d-1	Actual transpiration
RootDepth	cm	Root depth
CropWaterStressForRootDepth	unitless	Water stress on root deepening (max stress=0, min stress=1)
CropWaterStressCarbonAssimilation_SWDF1	unitless	Water stress on carbon assimilation (max stress=0, min stress=1)
CropWaterStressExpansiveGrowth_SWDF2	unitless	Water stress on leaf expansion (max stress=0, min stress=1)
StressDays	counter	Number of consecutive severe water stress day
WaterStressOnTillerDevelopment	unitless	Water stress on tiller development (max stress=0, min stress=1)
SWC_3cm	mm mm-1	Soil water content of the 0-5 cm layer
SWC_20cm	mm mm-1	Soil water content of the 10-20 cm layer
SWC_40cm	mm mm-1	Soil water content of the 30-40 cm layer
SWC_60cm	mm mm-1	Soil water content of the 50-60 cm layer