

## Quelques résultats de simulation de feux de prairie



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# Large scale experimental fires (grassland, CSIRO, Australia)

Plot: 100 m x 100 m (+ safety band), ignition line = 50 m

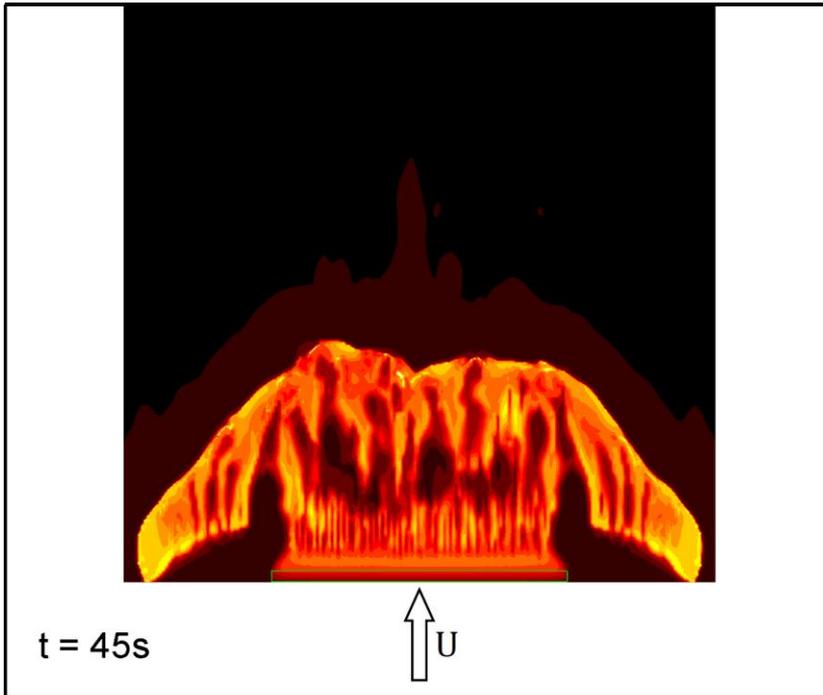
Mesh  $\sim$  5 millions cells ( $\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.25$  m,  $\Delta z = 0.035$  m)



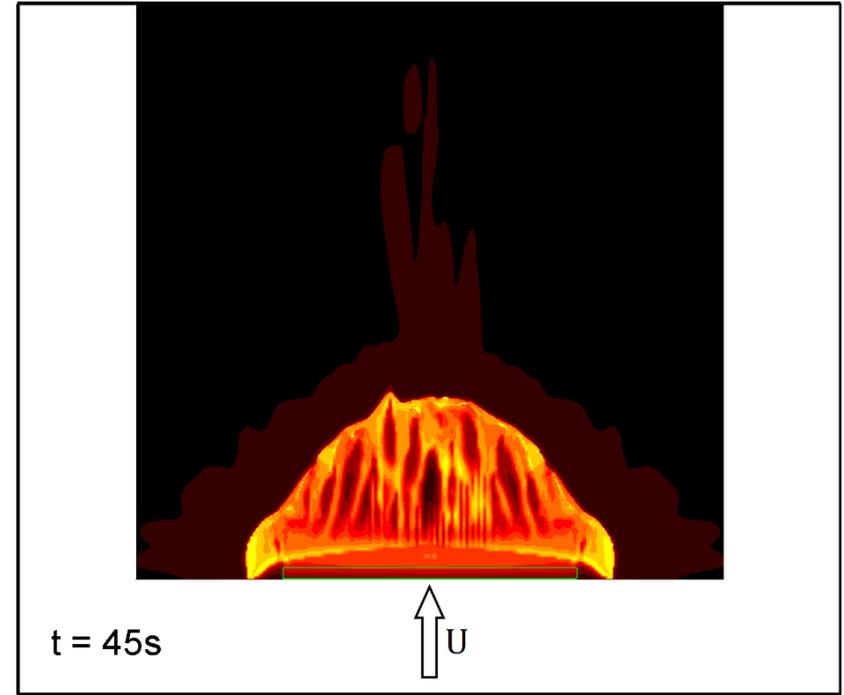
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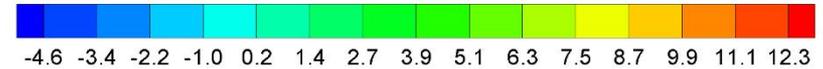
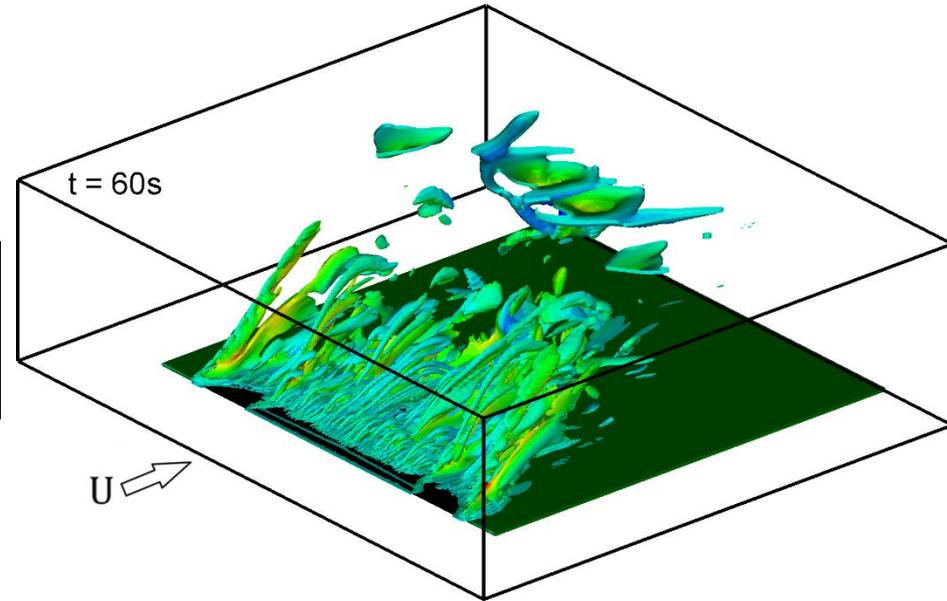
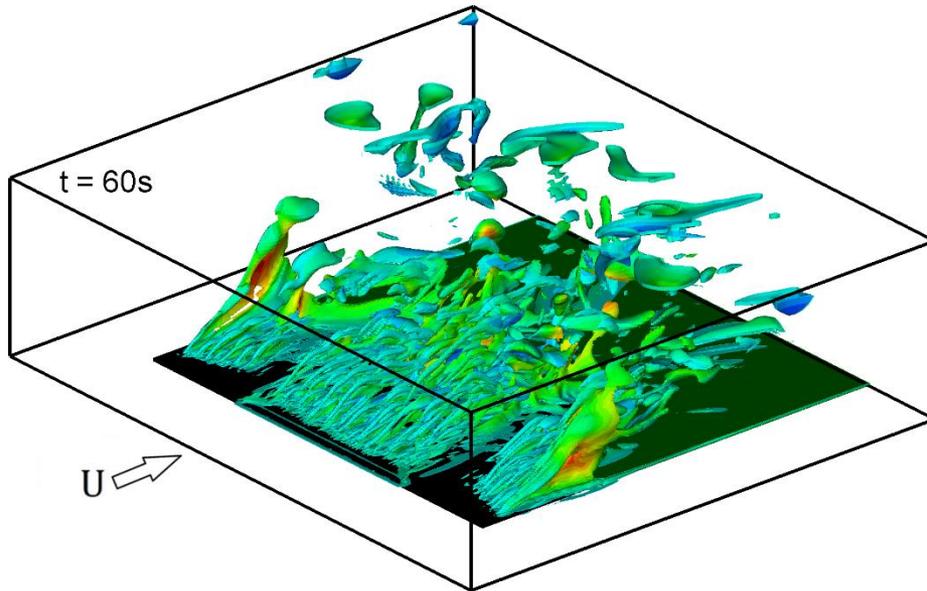
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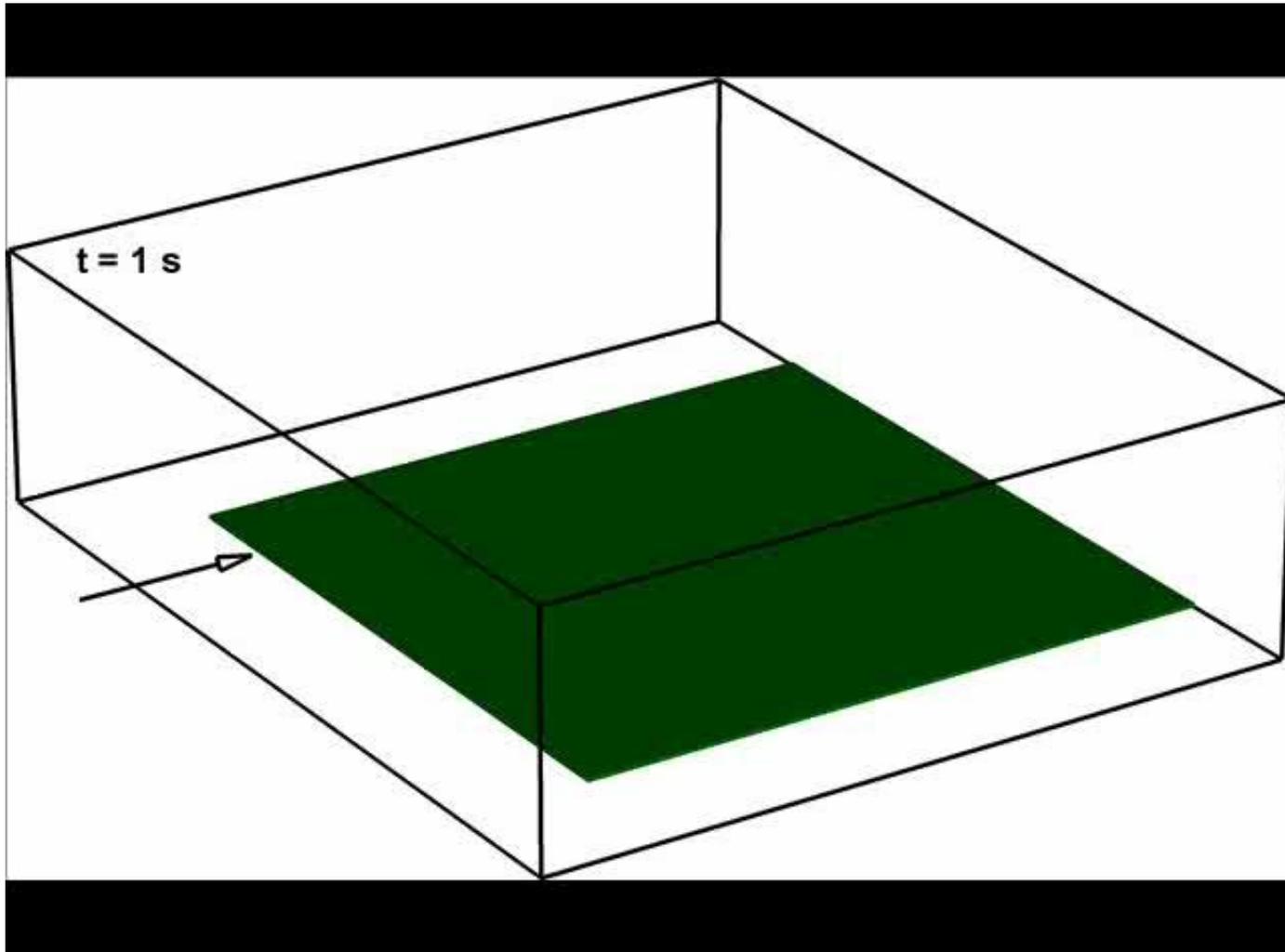
## Q criterion colored by w-velocity component



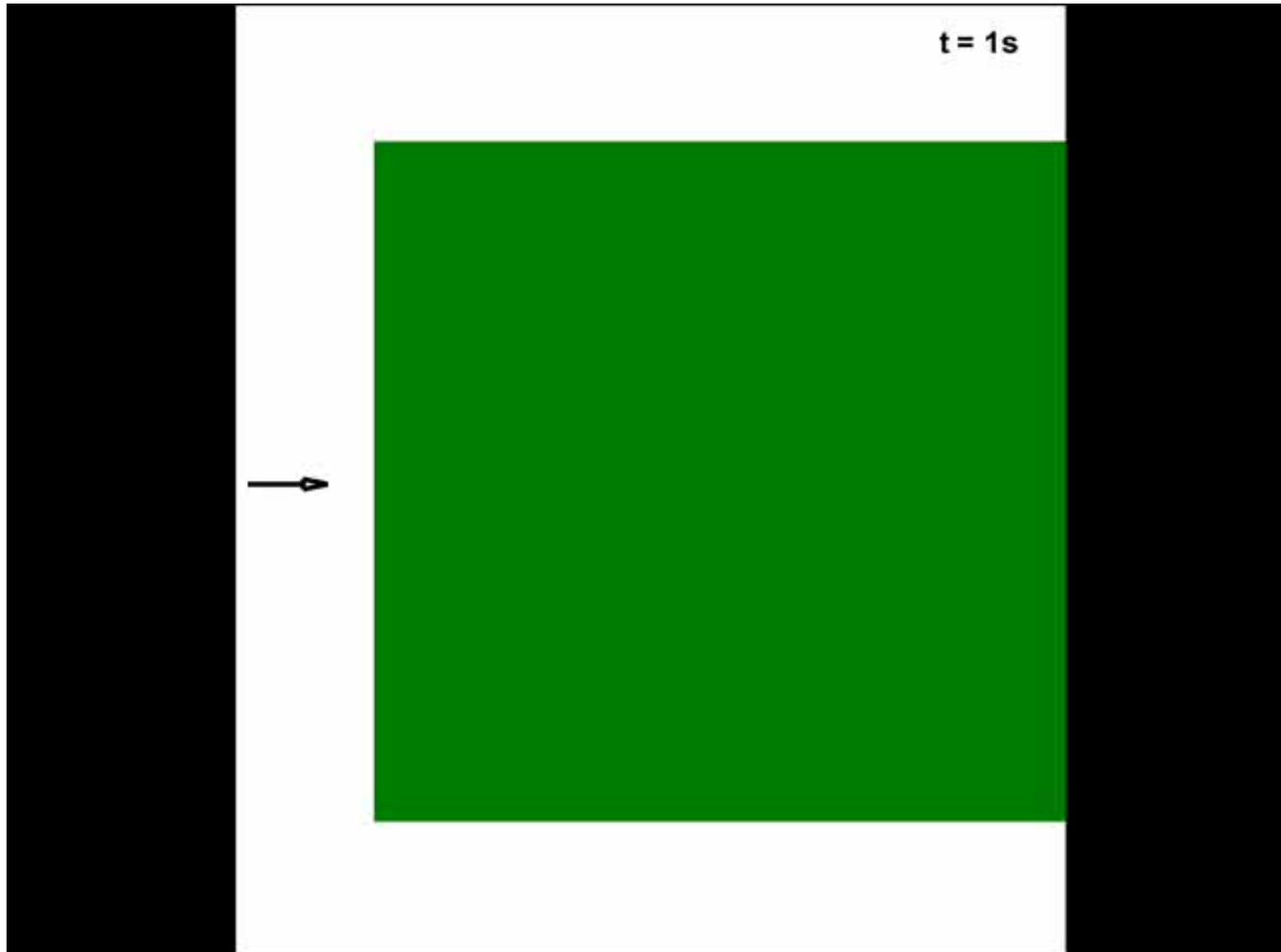
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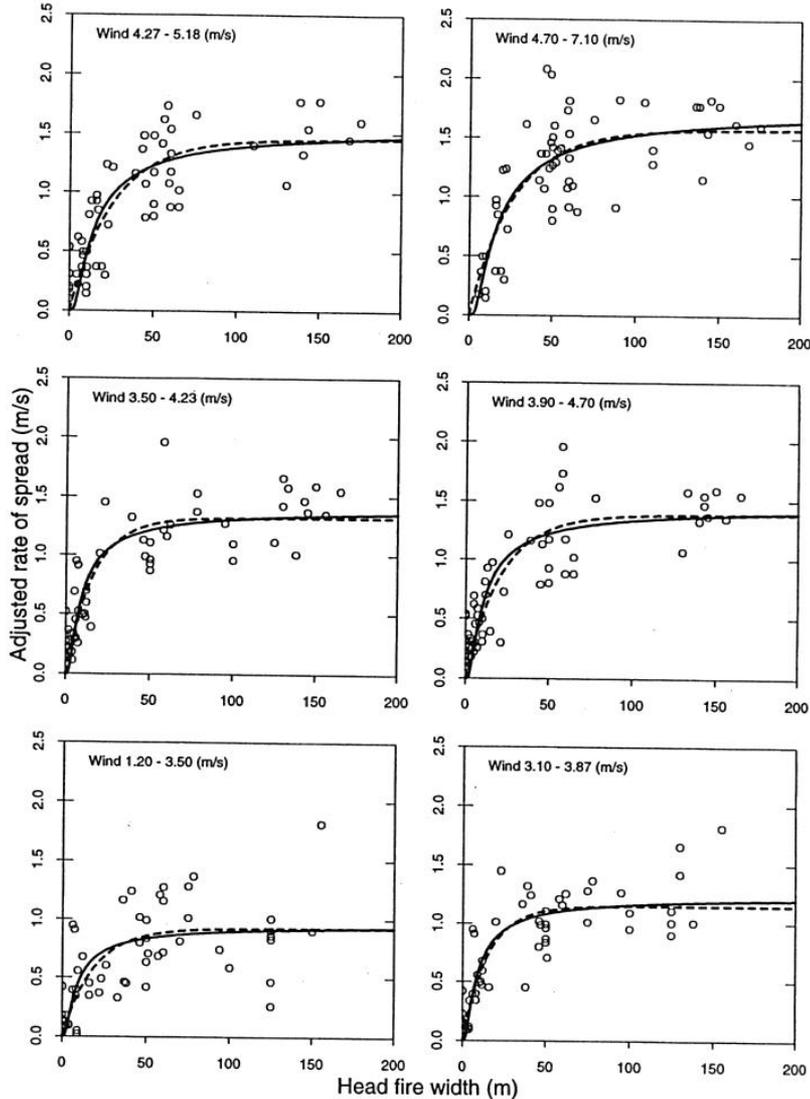
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# Experimental fires (Annaburoo, Australia 1986)



$$R = R_{\infty} e^{-a/W}$$

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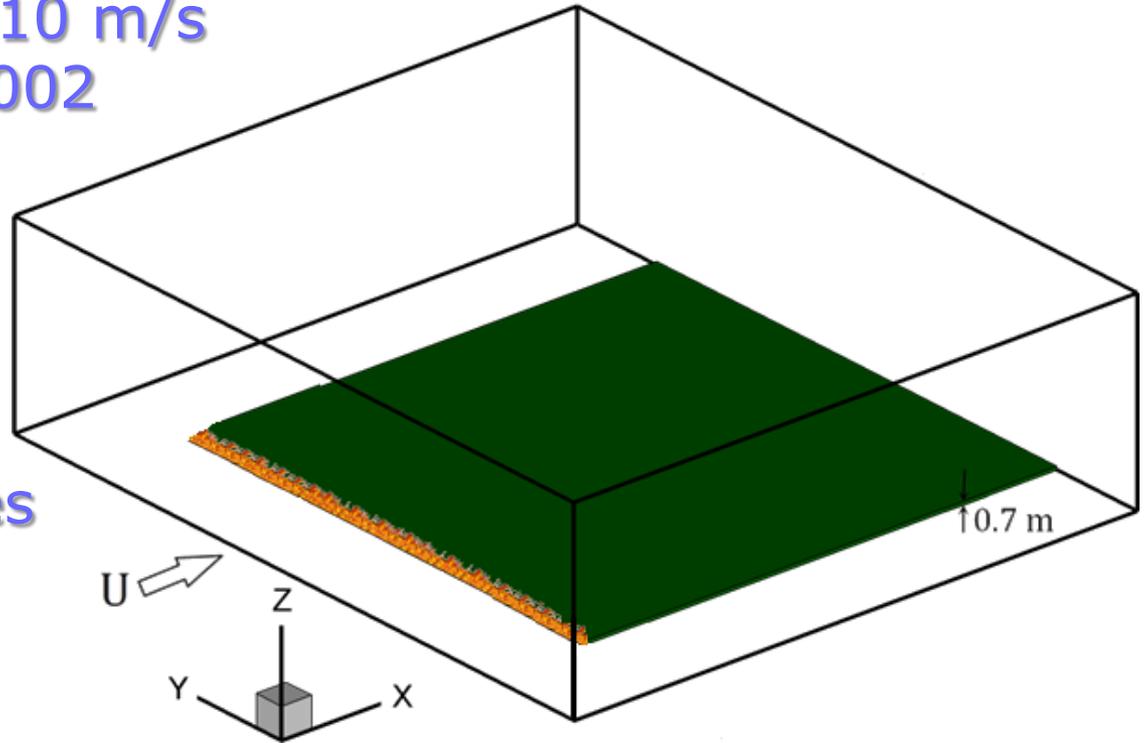
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# Test Case : Grassland Fires

Wind speed = 2 - 6 - 10 m/s

Packing ratio:  $\alpha = 0.002$

Fuel bed:  $\delta = 0.7$  m



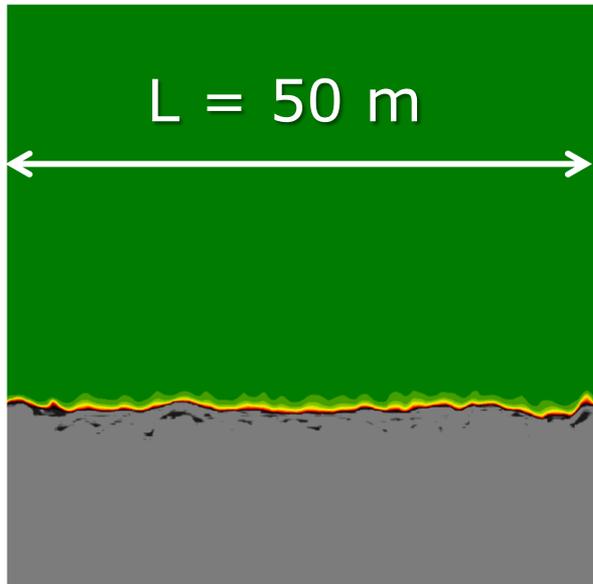
With periodic line fires

Fuel density:  $\rho_p = 500$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>

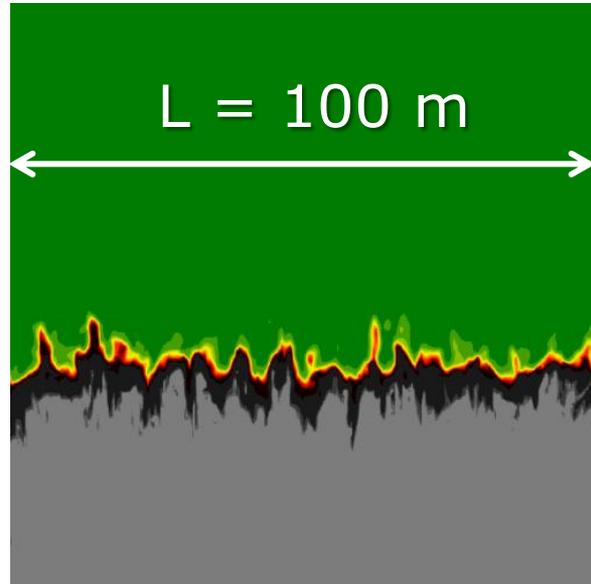
Surface/Volume ratio:  $\sigma = 4000$  m<sup>-1</sup>

Moisture content:  $M = 5$  %

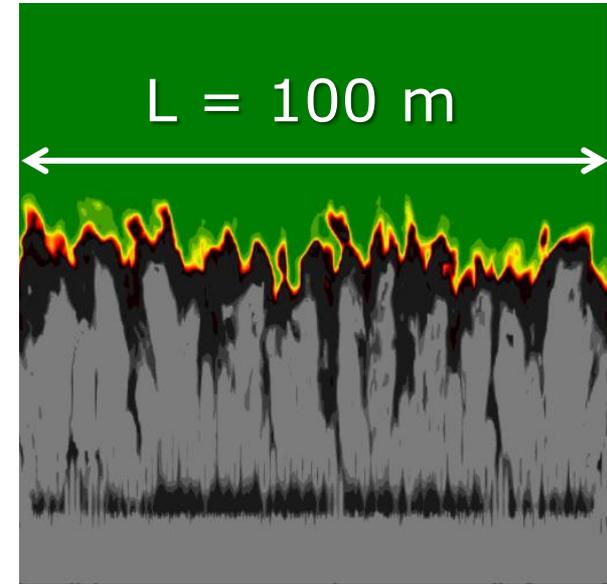
# Preliminary LES Results in Periodic line fire Top view



$U = 2 \text{ m/s}$



$U = 6 \text{ m/s}$

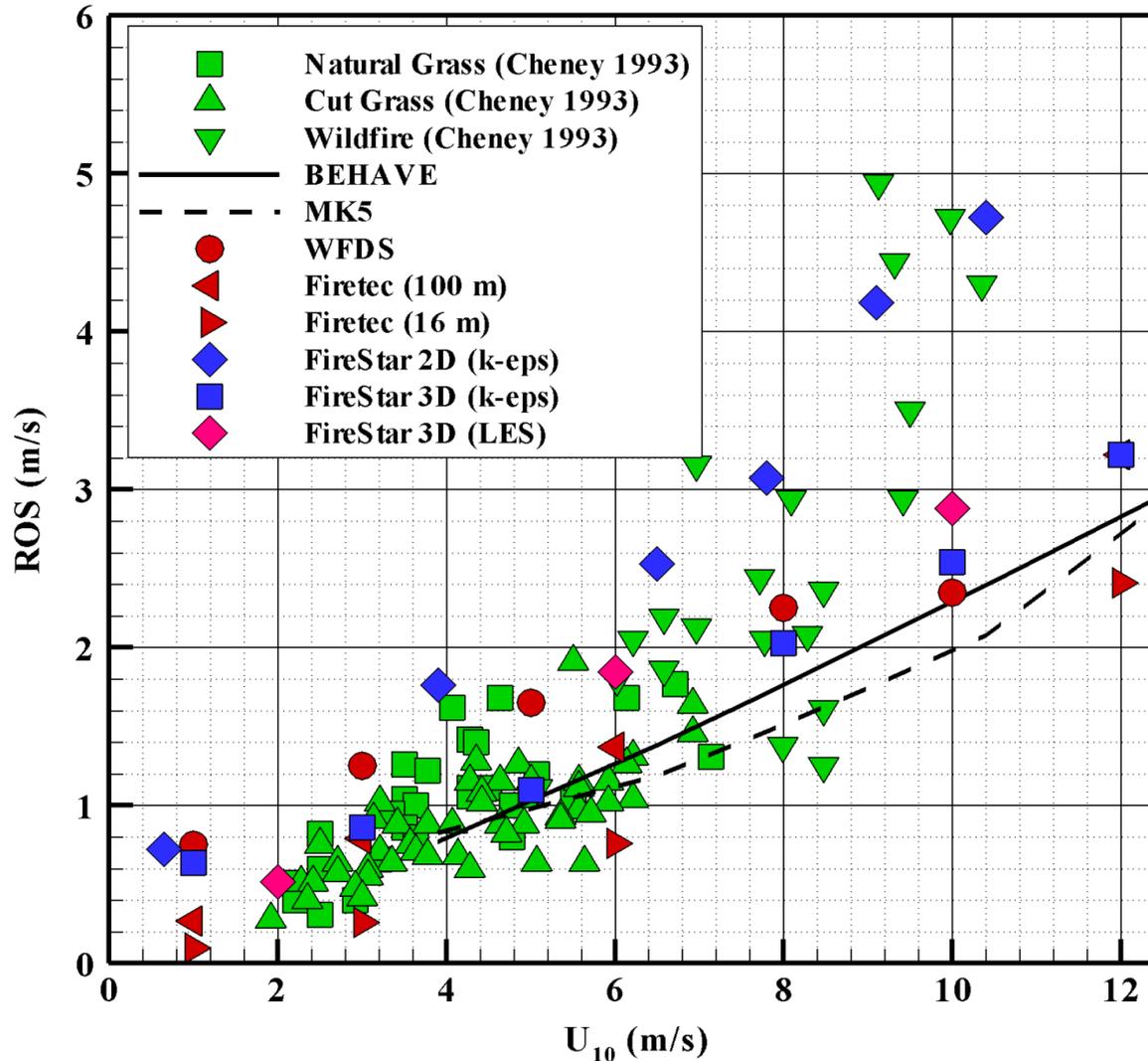


$U = 10 \text{ m/s}$

$T = 30 \text{ s}$

$$I = \eta M_{\text{fuel}} \times \Delta H \times R$$

# Grassland Fires: ROS vs wind speed



**Merci pour votre attention.**

