

UK Group activities

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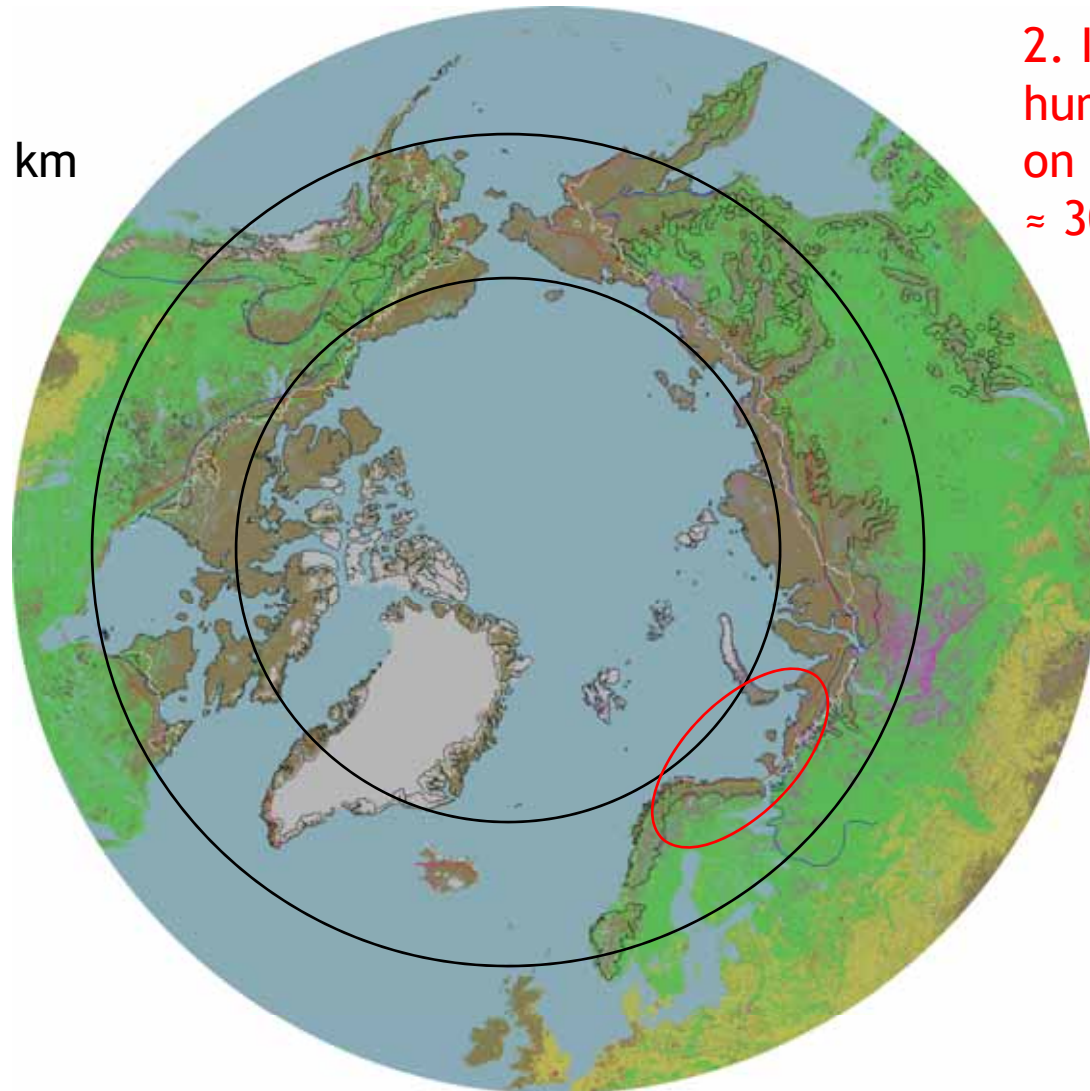
Volkovo, Zvenigorod, Russia: April 2009



Projects: Remote Sensing of the tundra-taiga ecotone

1. Consistent circumpolar mapping at ≈ 1 km

2. Identifying human influences on the ecotone at ≈ 30 m



Hustich 1983

- birch
- evergreen conifer
- larch

Olson & Dinerstein 1998

CAVM 2003

Background: JRC GLC2000



Both projects are funded internally by Cambridge University (UK national funding situation for IPY projects continues to be chaotic)

Student involvement: 2 PhD students (Katya Shipigina, Kelly Dolan)

Potential student involvement on annual basis through Master's programme (GIS & Remote Sensing)



Other activities by UK group

Circumboreal Biodiversity Monitoring Programme (CBMP), Vancouver, September 2008

Circumboreal Vegetation Mapping Project (CBVM), Helsinki, November 2008

‘Attention-grabbing paper’

