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### Samenvatting

Hittestress is een groeiend probleem in de stedelijke omgeving. Binnen dit project werkten industrie, vastgoedbeheerders en overheid aan het optimaliseren van de verkoelende werking door verdamping vanaf blauwgroene daken. Het project heeft geresulteerd in een breed toepasbaar daksysteem en unieke metingen aan de water en energiebalans van blauwgroene daken. De werking van het systeem is gevalideerd waarbij de resultaten zijn beschreven in een peer reviewed wetenschappelijke publicatie. Uit het onderzoek blijkt verder dat het systeem daarnaast meer diverse vegetaties en bijbehorende biodiversiteit mogelijk maakt en bijdraagt aan het reduceren van de regenwaterafvoer.

### Koeling van de stedelijke omgeving door een optimaal verdampend blauwgroen daksysteem

Hittestress is wereldwijd een groeiend probleem in de stedelijke omgeving. Planten kunnen door het verdampen van water een significante bijdrage leveren aan het verlagen van de luchttemperatuur. In stedelijke gebieden is het oppervlakte groen echter beperkt en kunnen temperaturen hoog oplopen met negatieve consequenties voor de leefomgeving. Gezien het grote oppervlak vormen daken een groot potentieel om de stad te vergroenen en klimaatrobuust te maken.

Dat groendaken technisch aangelegd kunnen worden en kunnen resulteren in begroeide en bloeiende daken is niet nieuw meer. Conventionele groendaken zijn echter veelal beplant met planten die zuinig omgaan met water, door weinig te verdampen. De verkoelende werking van deze daken is daardoor minimaal. Andere beplantingen zijn mogelijk, maar vragen een dikke en daarmee zware granulaatlaag waardoor toepassing op bestaande bebouwing vaak niet mogelijk is. In dit project ontwikkelden en valideerden we een systeem waarbij we de watervoorziening van de beplanting optimaliseren, daarmee de granulaatlaag en het gewicht minimaliseren en maximale koeling en reductie van regenwaterafvoer bewerkstelligen.

#### Optimalisatie en validatie passief irrigatiesysteem voor stedelijke verkoeling met blauwgroene daken

Het binnen dit project gevalideerde passieve irrigatiesysteem voert water via speciale vezels capillair vanuit de bergingslaag terug naar de substraatlaag als de planten daarom vragen. Hierdoor kunnen de planten in tegenstelling tot conventionele systemen langdurig optimaal verdampen en daarmee bijdragen aan koeling van de stedelijke omgeving.

#### Wetenschappelijke validatie werking systeem

Belangrijk uitgangspunt binnen het project was kwantificering en wetenschappelijke borging van deze eigenschappen. Hiervoor is een meetinstrumentarium ontwikkeld welke specifiek toepasbaar is op daken in binnenstedelijk gebied. Door proefvlakken in te richten en innovatieve metingen uit te voeren met geavanceerde op de dakomgeving aangepaste lysimeters is van verschillende systeemvarianten de water- en energiebalans in detail gevolgd. Volgens dit onderzoek blijkt het systeem goed te functioneren. De resultaten van dit onderzoek zijn gepresenteerd in een peer reviewed wetenschappelijk tijdschrift: <u>https://www.mdpi.com/2073-4441/10/9/1253</u>

#### Disseminatie resultaten

Naast de wetenschappelijke borging van de werking van het systeem is uitgebreid aandacht besteed aan het delen van de opgedane kennis en ervaring. Het gaat hierbij om de technisch wetenschappelijke resultaten van het project, maar ook om 'zachtere' resultaten zoals de opgedane ervaring op het gebied van publiek-private samenwerking. De resultaten zijn gedeeld op diverse nationale en internationale conferenties, in diverse geschreven media en via interviews voor radio en televisie (NPO radio 1 en AP). Daarnaast is de onderzoekslocatie bezocht door een groot aantal delegaties uit binnen en buitenland. Het ging hierbij zowel om private partijen als om publieke vertegenwoordigers zoals de toenmalige Deltacommissaris Wim Kuijken. In deze rapportage is een samenvatting gegeven van de resultaten

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## 1 Kennisontwikkeling en disseminatie

#### 1.1 Toelichting op documentatie resultaten

De afrondingsrapportage van het TKI lysimeters project bestaat uit verschillende documenten (Tabel 1) die zijn samengebracht in dit rapport. Een wetenschappelijke beschrijving van de meetopstellingen, een analyse van de metingen en modellering van de water- en energiebalans is beschreven in een artikel dat is gepubliceerd in het wetenschappelijke tijdschrift Water (hoofdstuk 2). Een publiekstoegankelijke beschrijving van onderzoeksresultaten inclusief de effecten op biodiversiteit en fauna en praktische lessen die tijdens het project geleerd zijn, zijn opgenomen in hoofdstuk 3. Tenslotte zijn een aantal relevante presentaties opgenomen die gehouden zijn bij het openingssymposium op 8 september 2017, het werkbezoek van Deltacommissaris Wim Kuijken op 9 januari 2018 en het bezoek van de onderzoeksmanagers van de Nederlandse drinkwaterbedrijven op 25 september 2018.

Hoofdstuk	Auteurs	Soort output	Titel
2	D.G. Cirkel, B.R. Voortman,	Wetenschappelijke	Evaporation from (Blue-)Green
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3	Gemeente Amsterdam met	Publieksvriendelijke	Project Smartroof 2.0:
	bijdrages van Joris Voeten	informatiefolder	Resultaatoverzicht voor de
	en Gijsbert Cirkel		groeiseizoenen 2017 en 2018
4	Gijsbert Cirkel & Bernard	Presentatie	Project Smartroof 2.0 voor een koel
	Voortman		hoofd den droge voeten
5	Sacha Stolp	Presentatie	Toekomstbestendige assets, The
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			innovation in public space.
6	Joris Voeten	Presentatie	Project Smartroof 2.0 Hoe de
			natuur ons helpt
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			steden te voorkomen

Tabel 1 Leeswijzer inhoudelijke verantwoording

#### 1.2 Uitingen via radio, online en geschreven media (selectie)

- 1. Projectwebsite: <u>https://www.projectsmartroof.nl/</u>
- NPO radio 1 Karin Alberts, (2017). Interview met Gijsbert Cirkel Blauw-groene daken moeten overstromingen voorkomen en verkoeling bieden: <u>http://www.nporadio1.nl/nieuws-en-co/onderwerpen/424232-blauw-groenedaken-moeten-overstromingen-voorkomen-en-verkoeling-bieden</u>
- Associated press: Dutch engineer aims high with latest roof design: overgenomen in diverse international media: o.a. Foxnews: <u>https://www.foxnews.com/world/dutch-engineer-aims-high-with-latest-green-roof-design</u>, Hurriyet: <u>http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/dutch-engineer-aims-high-with-latest-green-roof-design-117810</u>, Daily mail <u>https://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/ap/article-4869774/Dutch-engineer-aims-high-latest-green-roof-design.html</u>, etc
- 4. AJ+ These rooftop gardens are a hack to fight urban heat: https://www.facebook.com/ajplusenglish/videos/1041247392683434/
- 5. Parool: <u>https://www.parool.nl/binnenland/groen-dak-nieuwe-stijl-planten-en-wateropvang-op-gebouwen~a4515792/</u>
- 6. H2O nieuws: <u>https://www.h2owaternetwerk.nl/h2o-nieuws/1324-uitgebreid-onderzoek-op-innovatief-blauw-groen-dak-in-amsterdam/</u>
- 7. Bright.nl: <u>https://www.bright.nl/nieuws/amsterdam-heeft-eerste-slimme-blauw-groene-dak-ter-wereld</u>
- 8. Groentennieuws: http://www.groentennieuws.nl/artikel/162506/Innovatiefblauw-groen-dak-koelt-de-stad-en-voorkomt-wateroverlast Amsterdam
- 9. Hortipoint: <u>https://www.hortipoint.nl/tuinenlandschap/nieuws-</u> <u>tuinenlandschap/slim-blauw-groen-dak-amsterdam/</u>
- 10. Rainproof: <u>https://www.rainproof.nl/nieuws/feestelijke-opening-smartroof-20-op-het-marineterrein</u>
- 11. Nieuwe stedelijke natuur: <u>http://www.nieuwestedelijkenatuur.nl/intelligent-blauw-groen-dak-vergroot-biodiversiteit-in-amsterdam/</u>
- 12. SmartRoof 2.0 op Marineterrein Amsterdam. Riolering. 24: 6.
- Gunderson J. (2017) New 'blue-green' roof design demonstrates promising results, Stormwater report, <u>https://stormwater.wef.org/2017/10/new-bluegreen-roof-design-demonstrates-promising-results/</u> Water Environment Federation
- Vakblad riolering (2017) Smartroof 2.0 op Marineterrein Amsterdam. Riolering 24, November 2017

#### 1.3 Presentaties, workshops en pitches

- Cirkel D.G. (2017) project Smartroof 2.0; Voor een koel hoofd en droge voeten. Presentatie op de feestelijke opening van Smartroof 2.0 Marineterrein Amsterdam 8 september 2017
- 2. Voeten. J. (2017) Project Smartroof 2.0 How Nature can help to cool our cities and keep our feet dry. Presentatie press event voorafgaand aan feestelijke opening van Smartroof 2.0 Marineterrein Amsterdam 8 september 2017
- 3. Cirkel D.G (2017) Presentatie project Smartroof 2.0 CoP blauwgroene daken Enschede 19-september 2017

- 4. Cirkel D.G (2017) Presentatie laatste resultaten project Smartroof 2.0 CoP blauwgroene daken Amsterdam 23-november 2017
- 5. Cirkel D.G (2018) Presentatie project Smartroof 2.0 bij bezoek deltacommissaris aan onderzoeksdak 9 januari 2018 Amsterdam
- 6. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie tijdens Bezoek Deltacommissaris 9 januari 2018 Amsterdam
- Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en Rondleiding G4 Gemeenten 12 januari 2018 Amsterdam
- 8. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie Smartroof 2.0 European Federation of Green Roof Associations 7 februari 2018 London UK
- 9. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie Smartroof 2.0 voor City of Abu Dhabi, water sensitive green infrastructure 20-februari Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 10. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en Rondleiding Peabody housing association 27 februari 2018 Amsterdam
- 11. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en Rondleiding Directie Ymere 14 maart 2018 Amsterdam
- 12. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie resultaten Smartroof 2.0 voor OPTIGRÜN GMBH 26 april 2018 Stuttgart Duitsland
- 13. Cirkel D.G (2018) Presentatie project Smartroof 2.0 voor delegatie Optigrün Duitsland 17 mei 2018
- 14. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie resultaten Smartroof 2.0 op Veolia annual conference, The circular economy 23 mei 2018 Amsterdam
- 15. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie De klimaatadaptieve stad; terug naar de oorsprong: H2O en C55H72O5N4Mg op Nationale Boominfodag, Groene infrastructuur en water 6 juni 2018 Veenendaal
- Voortman, B. (2018) Presentatie De waterbalans sturen door vegetatiebeheer: kansen voor steden en het buitengebied op Nationale Boominfodag 6 juni 2018 Veenendaal
- 17. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie op European Arboricultural Council Annual Conference 8 juni 2018 Amsterdam
- 18. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie op Urban Forests of Tomorrow, Annual Conference 14 juni 2018 Toronto Canada
- 19. Voeten, J. (2018) Seminar: Water and Green Infrastructure; British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects, City of Vancouver en ABT 18 juni 2018 Vancouver Canada
- 20. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie op Green Infrastructure Conference 28 juni 2018 London UK
- 21. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en Rondleiding Peter Del Tredici, Harvard University, Arnold Arboretum op PSR 2.0 3 juli 2018 Amsterdam
- 22. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en Rondleiding Architecten Bureau Buiten 21 augustus 2018 Amsterdam
- Cirkel D.G (2018) Presentatie project Smartroof 2.0 bij bezoek onderzoeksmanagers drinkwaterbedrijven aan Smartroof 2.0, 6 september 2018 Amsterdam
- 24. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie op National Amenity Conference, Urban. Green Space and Water, Arborist Association 12 september 2018 Exeter UK
- 25. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie Blue-Green roofs; latest technology voor INTAMIN 18 september Zurich Zwitserland
- 26. Cirkel D.G (2018) Pitch op seminar 'GROENBLAUWE DAKEN VOOR EEN LEEFBARE STAD' 19 september 2018 Nijmegen
- 27. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en bezoek voor Inside-Outside Architecten 24 september 2018 Amsterdam

- Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en bezoek voor Wethouder gemeente Amsterdam
   28 september 2018 Amsterdam
- 29. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie en bezoek voor Sujit Gawayi, Polypipe India 31 oktober 2018 Amsterdam
- Voeten, J. (2018) Workshop Water Innovatie Vereniging van Nederlandse gemeenten 5 november 2018 Rotterdam
- 31. Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie op Smart City World Expo Conference 7 november 2018 Barcelona Spanje
- 32. Voeten, J. (2018) Green Deal Groene daken Annual Meeting 14 november 2018 Amsterdam
- Voeten, J. (2018) Workshop voor University of Krakow en PERFLOW 22 november 2018 Krakow Polen
- Voeten, J. (2018) Presentatie Blue-Green roofs; latest technology voor Dubai Expo2020 24 november 2018 Dubai UAE
- 35. Cirkel, D.G. et. Al. (2019) Project Smartroof 2.0, For a cool head and dry feet. Urban HydroMeteo symposium, AMS Amsterdam, 22 februari 2019
- 36.

#### 1.4 Bijzonderheden / prijzen:

Smartroof 2.0 geselecteerd voor presenatie op NatureStructure exhibition, curator:Scott Burnham, Boston Society of Architects/AIA BSA Foundation 17-05-2018 - 27-09-2018

Smartroof 2.0 wint 'zonnetje 2018' op Deltacongres. Zie video op: https://www.kwrwater.nl/actueel/koel-hoofd-en-droge-voeten-dankzij-blauwgroen-dak/



Figuur 1 Sacha Stolp (gemeente Amsterdam) neemt namens het Smartroof 2.0-consortium het zonnetje in ontvangst van deltacommissaris Wim Kuijken.

2 Wetenschappelijk artikel in *Water*. Evaporation from (Blue-)Green Roofs: Assessing the Benefits of a Storage and Capillary Irrigation System Based on Measurements and Modeling



#### Article

# **Evaporation from (Blue-)Green Roofs: Assessing the Benefits of a Storage and Capillary Irrigation System Based on Measurements and Modeling**

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Abstract: Worldwide cities are facing increasing temperatures due to climate change and increasing urban density. Green roofs are promoted as a climate adaptation measure to lower air temperatures and improve comfort in urban areas, especially during intensive dry and warm spells. However, there is much debate on the effectiveness of this measure, because of a lack of fundamental knowledge about evaporation from different green roof systems. In this study, we investigate the water and energy balance of different roof types on a rooftop in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Based on lysimeter measurements and modeling, we compared the water and energy balance of a conventional green roof with blue-green roofs equipped with a novel storage and capillary irrigation system. The roofs were covered either with Sedum or by grasses and herbs. Our measurements and modeling showed that conventional green roof systems (i.e., a Sedum cover and a few centimeters of substrate) have a low evaporation rate and due to a rapid decline in available moisture, a minor cooling effect. Roofs equipped with a storage and capillary irrigation system showed a remarkably large evaporation rate for Sedum species behaving as C3 plants during hot, dry periods. Covered with grasses and herbs, the evaporation rate was even larger. Precipitation storage and capillary irrigation strongly reduced the number of days with dry-out events. Implementing these systems therefore could lead to better cooling efficiencies in cities.

**Keywords:** blue-green roofs; potential and actual evaporation; latent heat flux; sensible heat flux; water availability; capillary irrigation; lysimeter; urban areas; *Sedums* 

#### 1. Introduction

Climate change and ongoing urbanization will result in both an increase of the urban heat island (UHI) effect [1,2] and flooding [3]. The UHI effect is known as the phenomenon where the urban temperature is higher than the surrounding rural environment, due to the modification of land surfaces (i.e., application of energy absorbing surfaces such as asphalt and concrete on roofs and pavements, and changes in reflection and absorption due to the geometry of buildup areas). These surfaces generate an excess of heat due to a lack of evaporation. The extent of the temperature difference between the surfaces varies in time and space as a result of meteorological and surface characteristics of the urban area [1]. An increase in the UHI effect results in a higher ratio of mortality and/or illness,



because of heat stress and higher energy demands for cooling [4–7]. Aerosol emissions play a role in exacerbating or mitigating the UHI effects and related health impacts, e.g., recent substantial reductions in aerosol concentrations in the southeast of the US resulted in increased surface temperatures [8].

Urban flooding is caused by a combination of heavy rainfall events, and the limited capacity of sewer systems, resulting in nuisance and serious water pollution problems. The high stress on the sewer system is caused by a decreasing area of permeable ground in cities, limiting the infiltration of rainwater [3] in combination with more frequent heavy rainfall events [9–11] in some regions of the world, such as the Netherlands.

There are several options to decrease the UHI effect and peak flows in sewer systems. One of these options is to reserve more space for permeable green areas in a city. Permeable green areas decrease storm runoff by intercepting, retaining, and evaporating rainwater [12,13]. Space on the surface level however, is scarce in many cities. Given the large area of unused space at the rooftop level, greening roofs might be a promising solution, presenting a relatively high potential for heat islands and storm water runoff mitigation [14–17]. Alternatively, white and/or reflective roofs, often referred to as 'cool roofs' may also provide efficient mitigation of atmospheric heating by increasing surface albedo and decreasing net radiation [14,18]. Several studies compared the UHI mitigation potential of green and cool roofs [2,18-20]. Overall, these studies concluded that cool roofs with an albedo  $\geq$ 0.7 provide a greater benefit in terms of UHI mitigation than conventional extensive green roofs. However, these studies also concluded that water availability plays an important role in the cooling behavior of the vegetation on a green roof. Santamouris [2] argue that for very well irrigated vegetated roofs, the UHI mitigation potential can become equal to that of cool roofs during peak temperature periods. Accordingly, the effectiveness of green roofs is, besides local climatic conditions such as solar radiation, wind and humidity [21], highly dependent on the water availability for evaporation. We hypothesize that the storage of precipitation water and capillary irrigation with this water is an effective measure to increase evaporation, and thus UHI mitigation potential. In line with [22], we define the evaporation of a vegetated surface (E) as the sum of three fluxes: transpiration ( $E_t$ ), soil evaporation ( $E_s$ ), and evaporation of intercepted water ( $E_i$ ).  $E_t$  and  $E_s$  occur at a potential rate when the availability of water is not limiting. Potential evaporation  $E_p$  reduces to the actual  $E_a$  when the water availability is limiting. Increasing the evaporation (*E*) to its potential rate increases the latent heat flux (LE) which results in a decrease of the sensible heat flux (H). However, many conventional green roofs have shallow soils, limiting water retention and water availability for evaporation, and thus leading to a minor cooling effect, especially during long dry spells.

The water storage required to meet the potential evaporation, and therefore to reach the most optimal cooling effect, depends on the evaporation rate of the vegetation and local climatic conditions. The measured data of actual evaporation ( $E_a$ ) of the green roof vegetation is however, very scarce and it is partly limited to greenhouse experiments and environmental chamber setups [23,24]. Coutts et al. [18] measured  $E_a$  using a portable closed-chamber, but only on four sunny days. More elaborate measurements were performed by [25], who measured the actual evaporation continuously over a one year period with a weighing lysimeter on an extensive green roof in New York. Sims et al. [26] used weighing lysimeters to investigate the effect of different climatic conditions on retention and evaporation. Also more elaborate are the dynamic chamber measurements of [27], who measured  $E_a$  on two locations in New York. This study also provides an overview of the average estimated  $E_p$  (five cases), and the measured and estimated  $E_a$  (10 cases) under temperate climate conditions in the US, Europe, and New Zealand. In this overview, average  $E_a$  ranges between 0.9 and 3 mm/day depending on local conditions. Another overview is given by [28] for relatively cold and wet regions in Northern Europe.

In this contribution, we investigate the effect of water availability on  $E_a$  and the distribution of energy between the latent heat flux (*LE*) and the sensible heat flux (*H*) in a rooftop environment in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. We compared the water and energy balance of conventional green roofs and (blue-)green roofs equipped with a novel water storage and a passive capillary irrigation system. We measured  $E_a$  on-site using sensitive custom build weighing lysimeters integrated in the green roof over one year. We used a hydrological model validated on the field data to assess the effects of meteorological variations on  $E_a$  and the performance of the different roof systems. We provide quantitative insights and practical modeling procedures to assess the success of different roof types in evaporating and storing rainwater and potentially cooling the air.

#### 2. Materials and Methods

#### 2.1. General Setup

A field campaign started in April 2017 to measure the evaporation rate and energy fluxes of three different plots  $(4.26 \times 4.26 \text{ m})$  on a two-story, ca., 9 m high rooftop (Figure 1) in Amsterdam, the Netherlands (52.37° latitude, 4.92° longitude). The climate of the research site is temperate maritime, with an average precipitation of 852 mm/year and an average Makkink reference crop evapotranspiration [29] of 593 mm/year (period 1988 until 2017, from the climate station Schiphol, located 11 km from the research site). We designed one plot as a conventional extensive green roof, i.e., equipped with a 25 mm thick drainage mat and a 4 cm substrate layer. The other plots were equipped with a Permavoid storage and capillary irrigation system [30] (Figure 2); one was covered with a 4 cm thick substrate layer and the other with a 8 cm thick substrate layer. All three plots were raised by 17 cm compared to the surrounding roof to accommodate weighing lysimeters (Figure 3) and increase structural strength of the roof to be able to accommodate the 8 cm substrate layer. The maximum storage level in a Permavoid unit was 80 mm. However, based on a calculated maximum allowable static load of 90 kg m<sup>-2</sup>, a storage level of only 30 mm could be allowed on this specific roof. When this storage level was exceeded, water was discharged to the sewer system. Stored water was available for passive irrigation via capillary cones, consisting of hydrophilic rockwool fiber. These cones were placed inside tubes within the Permavoid units, and they supplied the root zone with water by capillary forces. The substrate consisted of a mixture of shale, pumice, lava rock, crushed bricks, clay, and compost. The substrate has a porosity of 64% and a bulk density of 970 kg m<sup>-3</sup> [31].

The initial vegetation present on the green roof consisted of blankets with a mixture of sedum species from the company Sempergreen, containing *Sedum sexengulare, Sedum hispanicum, Sedum floriferum, Sedum hybridum, Sedum kamschaticum,* and different varieties of *Sedum acre, Sedum album,* and *Sedum spurium*. After placement of the sedum mix blankets, 40 plant species native to Europe (Table A1) were sown on the sedum carpet/substrate to increase the biodiversity and to give insight in the change in plant species distribution over time. Initially, we manually irrigated the plots and the surrounding roof to promote germination. Therefore, only field data from 25 May 2017 until 16 May 2018 was used in the final analysis to limit our analysis to periods without disturbances by manual irrigation. For the plots with capillary irrigation, a herb and grass cover was developed between 25 May and 1 August 2017.

We used our field data to parameterize the Penman–Monteith equation, to calculate  $E_p$  and to perform hydrological model simulations of  $E_a$  based on the actual availability of water. The Penman-Monteith equation is given by:

$$E_{\rm p} = \frac{\Delta(R_{\rm n} - G) + \rho_{\rm a}c_{\rm p}(e_{\rm s} - e_{\rm a})/r_{\rm a}}{\left(\Delta + \gamma \left(1 + \frac{r_{\rm s}}{r_{\rm a}}\right)\right)\lambda\rho_{\rm w}}$$
(1)

where  $E_p$  is the potential evaporation (mms<sup>-1</sup>),  $\Delta$  is the slope of saturation vapor pressure vs the temperature curve (kPa·°C<sup>-1</sup>),  $R_n$  is the net radiation (MJ m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>), G is the soil heat flux (MJ m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>),  $\rho_a$  is the air density (kg m<sup>-3</sup>),  $c_p$  is the specific heat of moist air (J·kg<sup>-1</sup> °C<sup>-1</sup>),  $e_s$  is the saturation vapor pressure of the air (kPa),  $e_a$  is the actual vapour pressure of the air (kPa) (i.e.,  $e_s - e_a$  represents the vapor pressure deficit of the air),  $r_a$  is the aerodynamic resistance to turbulent heat and vapor transfer

(s·m<sup>-1</sup>),  $r_s$  is the surface resistance (s·m<sup>-1</sup>),  $\gamma$  is the psychrometric constant (kPa·°C<sup>-1</sup>),  $\lambda$  is the latent heat of vaporization (J·kg<sup>-1</sup>), and  $\rho_w$  is the density of liquid water (kg·m<sup>-3</sup>).

First, simulations of  $E_a$  with a hydrological model were validated against the field measurements of  $E_a$ . Second, the validated model was used to simulate the long-term effects of different roof setups on evaporation using climate data of the meteorological station "Schiphol", located 11 km from the experimental site. In this final analysis, six roof setups were simulated by combining two vegetation covers and three types roof constructions: *Sedum* or grasses/herbs cover with a conventional buildup, capillary irrigation with 30 mm of water storage (like in the experimental site), and capillary irrigation with 80 mm of water storage (i.e., the maximum storage capacity of the Permavoid unit). Simulations with a *Sedum* cover were performed with a substrate thickness of 4 cm, and the simulations with a grass/herb cover with a substrate thickness of 8 cm.



**Figure 1.** Top view of the three research plots (green squares) and locations of the different sensors. Distances are in mm. In brown is the inspection floor.



**Figure 2.** Schematic cross-sections of the three research plots. The left and right plot are equipped with the Permavoid drainage and capillary irrigation system.

#### 2.2. Hydrometeorological Measurements

Each of the three research plots was equipped with sensors to measure the actual evaporation  $E_a$ , the net radiation  $R_n$ , the soil heat flux G, the soil moisture  $\theta$  and the soil temperature  $T_{soil}$ . Other meteorological variables such as wind speed and wind direction, relative humidity RH, ambient air temperature  $T_a$ , air pressure, and incoming shortwave radiation ( $R_s$ ) were measured with an all-in-one weather station (WS501-UMB, LUFFT) at 1.5 m above the surface, positioned close to the capillary irrigated plot with 4 cm substrate (Figure 1). Precipitation (P) was measured with a rain gauge (ARG100, Campbell Scientific Inc., Loughborough, United Kingdom) positioned between the first two plots (Figure 1). Measurements were collected at 30 s intervals, aggregated to 5 min values, and logged on a datalogger (CR1000, Campbell Scientific Inc.). The net radiation was measured with net radiometers (NR-Lite2, Kipp & Zonen B.V., Delft, the Netherlands) installed at a height of 22 cm above the vegetation surface, to limit the dominant field of view to the research plots. Self-calibrating

heat flux plates (HFP01SC, Hukseflux B.V., Delft, the Netherlands) were installed at the bottom of the substrate (i.e., at 4 or 8 cm depths) near the net radiometers. Besides each soil heat flux plate, a soil moisture and soil temperature sensor (5TE, Meter group, München, Germany) was installed at 3 cm depth. Procedures to calculate the soil heat flux G at the surface were followed according to the Campbell Scientific Inc. (2014) HFP01SC instruction manual. For accuracy and precision of the sensors, we refer to the individual manuals of the sensors, which are accessible on the web. Within each research plot, a weighing lysimeter was installed, sunken into the raised green roof surface of the plots. The lysimeters (Figure 3) consisted of a square stainless-steel bucket of  $58 \times 58$  cm placed on a weighing unit. The structure of the drainage layer, geotextiles, substrate, and vegetation inside the lysimeter buckets was identical to that of the surrounding plots. In line with this, the drainage conditions and water storage in the buckets was kept identical to that of the surrounding plots. We covered the rim of the lysimeter, covering the gap between the lysimeter and the surrounding roof, with a thin layer of cork to the limit reflection of sunlight and down welling longwave radiation onto the net radiometer. The lysimeters were weighted with temperature compensated single point load cells (Utilcell 190i, max 120 kg, Utilcell, Barcelona, Spain). To increase measurement precision, we installed digitizers (Flintec LDU 68.1, Flintec, Hudson, NY, USA) to process and digitize the load cell signals without interference by the datalogger. In this setup, a measurement resolution of 12 g was achieved, i.e., 0.04 mm equivalent water depth, which is adequate for measuring  $E_a$  [32,33]. On 25 July, the lysimeter with capillary irrigation and 4 cm substrate was disturbed in a burglary attempt. After this event, the proper functioning of the load cell was validated and the lysimeter was back in operation on 2 August. The lysimeter data was processed with the AWAT filter [34]. Because of the limited amount of space below the lysimeter, we were unable to easily measure the drainage from the lysimeter. Therefore, evaporation could only be determined during days without drainage, i.e., at moments when the lysimeter weight was lower than its maximum.



**Figure 3.** Lysimeter design (**left**), and (**right**) a lysimeter embedded in the green roof surface shortly after planting the sedum blankets. The drawing of the lysimeter shows the two roof designs: storage and capillary irrigation (left of the diagonal dashed line) and a conventional build up (right of the diagonal dashed line).

#### 2.3. Parameterization of the Penman–Monteith Equation

To parameterize the Penman–Monteith equation, we needed procedures to calculate  $R_n$ , G, and  $r_a$ , and a value for  $r_s$  for *Sedum*, and for a grass and herb cover. Models to estimate  $R_n$  especially have trouble with deriving accurate numbers for the net longwave radiation [32,35]. Therefore, simple linear regression models between incoming shortwave radiation and net radiation often perform better than more complex models that derive subcomponents of the radiation balance explicitly [36]. We measured  $R_n$  and G in the research plots, which allowed us to derive similar linear regression models. The three different research plots appeared to differ marginally in  $R_n$ . We therefore used the average regression

coefficients of the three plots for both vegetation covers *Sedum* and grasses/herbs (Figure A2). On daily time steps, *G* was often negligible, i.e., near zero because the soil was warming during the day and cooling during the night. *G* appeared to be less than 2.5% of the net radiation on daily time steps and it was therefore neglected in the rest of the analysis (Figure A1).

The aerodynamic resistance under neutral stability conditions can be estimated by [37]:

$$r_{\rm a} = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{z_{\rm m}-d}{z_{\rm om}}\right)\ln\left(\frac{z_{\rm h}-d}{z_{\rm oh}}\right)}{k^2 u_z} \tag{2}$$

where  $z_m$  is the height of wind measurements (m),  $z_h$  is the height of humidity measurements (m), d is the zero plane displacement height (m),  $z_{om}$  is the roughness length governing momentum transfer (m),  $z_{oh}$  is the roughness length governing transfer of heat and vapor (m), k is the von Karman's constant (0.41 (-)) and  $u_z$  is the wind speed at height  $z_m$  (ms<sup>-1</sup>). For grass, empirical equations were developed to estimate d,  $z_{om}$ , and  $z_{oh}$  [38]:

$$d = \frac{2}{3}V\tag{3}$$

$$2_{\rm om} = 0.125 \, V$$
 (1)

$$z_{\rm oh} = 0.1 \, z_{\rm om} \tag{5}$$

where *V* is the vegetation height. We used the same empirical equations for *Sedum* and grass/herbs with a vegetation height of 8 cm and 30 cm, respectively.

-0.123 V

The surface resistance ( $r_s$ ) of *Sedum* was back-calculated by substituting the measured data for  $R_n$ , G, and  $E_a$  from the conventional green roof research plot into Equation (1) under non-stressed conditions (i.e., when  $E_p = E_a$ ). In line with [32], non-stressed days were filtered out by selecting only data from two consecutive days after at least 5 mm of rain. We selected the conventional green roof research plot for this exercise because no grasses or herbs germinated, and the plot had a constant *Sedum* cover during the entire experiment. We used a slightly different procedure to derive  $r_s$  for grasses/herbs. We used the *Sedum*  $r_s$  resulting from above procedure and linearly decreased the *Sedum*  $r_s$  until 1 August 2017 (i.e., over 67 days) to the  $r_s$  value of a full grass/herb cover, since a full grass/herb cover developed during this time period and remained more or less constant afterwards. We calibrated the  $r_s$  of the full grass/herb cover by fitting the measured  $E_a$  on the modeled  $E_a$  (the model to estimate  $E_a$  is explained in the next section). Calibration was performed manually by decreasing the grass/herb  $r_s$  in steps of 10 sm<sup>-1</sup>. We derived the final grass/herb  $r_s$  only from the capillary irrigated research plot with an 8 cm thick substrate layer. This because the other plot had excessively high evaporation values at certain days (which would lead to an unrealistic  $r_s$  value of 10 sm<sup>-1</sup>) which we suspect are caused by an input of dry warm air from a building air vent next to the research plot.

Similar to  $r_s$ , we linearly interpolated the vegetation height between 8 cm and 30 cm during the development phase of the grasses and herbs.

#### 2.4. Model Simulation of $E_a$

Actual evaporation was simulated with a so-called simple bucket model [39] (Figure 4). A bucket model is a reservoir that fills by rain and empties by evaporation. If the bucket is almost empty, limited evaporation occurs, i.e., with a lower rate than the potential rate ( $E_p$ ), to mimic the closure of leaf stomata and self-mulching effects on soil evaporation. The concept of a bucket model compares well with the processes on a green roof, which only spills water if the system is entirely saturated. The model has two parameters: the root constant (RC) and the permanent wilting point (PWP). PWP is the maximum available water for plants, i.e., the total depth of the bucket relative to the top. RC is the depth of the bucket (relative to the top) at which evaporation occurs at a potential rate. When RC is reached,  $E_a$  reduces linearly until PWP is reached. The saturation of the bucket is defined by the soil

(A)

moisture deficit (SMD, i.e., the water level in the bucket relative to the surface). When the bucket is full (SWD = 0), excess water will drain (*D*) out of the system. Values for *PWP* depend on the properties of the green roof setup and were directly derived from the lysimeter measurements, since during the measurement campaign, the lysimeters were sporadically fully saturated and entirely empty (the difference between both (expressed in mm) is the maximum available water *PWP*). *PWP* was set to 23, 60, and 65 mm for the conventional roof, the capillary irrigated roof with 4 cm substrate, and the capillary irrigated roof with 8 cm substrate, respectively. *RC* was determined to be *PWP* minus 10 mm (i.e., the last 10 mm of available water was hard to evaporate), which was visually determined form the lysimeter measurements during a dry-out event.

The bucket model was used to simulate  $E_a$  of the measurement period and  $E_a$  of different roof setups for a longer time series from 1988 until 2017, using climate data of climate station "Schiphol" located 11 km from the research site (see general setup). Because the location of Schiphol is a rather exposed flat area, the measured wind speed at Schiphol was twice as large as at the experimental site during the one-year measurement period. To keep the 30-year model simulations comparable to the measurement period, we corrected the wind speed by a factor of 2.017 (Figure A3) to represent the conditions of the experimental roof (see Appendix C for details on the wind speed correction). The mean difference (MD), the root mean squared error (RMSE), the Nash–Sutcliffe efficiency (NSE), and the Pearson correlation coefficient (Pears. r) were determined to evaluate the  $E_a$  model performance during the measurement period. For the different roof setups, we present the evaporation numbers, roof runoff, and Bowen ratio's  $\beta$  (the ratio between the sensible heat and latent heat) to characterize the frequency and severity of dry-out events.



Figure 4. Structure of the simple bucket model (after [39]).

#### 3. Results

#### 3.1. Measured vs. Modeled Evaporation

The three research plots showed distinct differences in  $E_a$  (Figure 5). The capillary-irrigated plots show evaporation fluxes of ca. 3 mm/day on average during summer, with up to well over 4 mm/day especially in late spring 2018. The  $E_a$  of the conventional plot showed prolonged periods with significant evaporation reduction during dry spells, especially during spring and early summer.

The back-calculated surface resistance was  $170 \text{ sm}^{-1}$  for *Sedum* and  $60 \text{ sm}^{-1}$  for the grass/herb vegetation. The latter was close to the  $r_s$  of the reference crop evapotranspiration of the FAO-56 [38] for daily time steps, i.e.,  $70 \text{ sm}^{-1}$ . During periods with abundant water supply, the estimated  $E_p$  was remarkably well in line with the measured  $E_a$  for the conventional plot and the 8 cm substrate capillary-irrigated plot (Figure 5). We observed deviations for the 4 cm substrate capillary irrigated plot, with  $E_a$  exceeding  $E_p$  during hot spells in August 2017 and June 2018. As mentioned earlier,

we attribute these deviations to the effect of warm building air vented directly adjacent to this plot. This warm air can be regarded as an additional energy source for evaporation, resulting in a process similar to the so-called oasis effect. This effect also resembled in the model performance of the bucket model to simulated  $E_a$ . The model performed exceptionally well for the plots further away from the vent (MD close to zero, Nash-Sutcliffe efficiencies above 0.73 and Pearson's r above 0.86), however the plot closest to the vent has a MD of -0.28 mm, i.e., a systematical underestimation of  $E_a$  by the model (Figure 6). Besides actual evaporation, the available water simulated by the bucket model compared well with the measured available moisture in the lysimeters (Figure 7).



**Figure 5.** Measured and modeled daily evaporation for the three lysimeters. With  $E_p$  calculated with on-site measured variables (black line),  $E_a$  measured with weighing lysimeters (red line) and  $E_a$  modeled with the simple bucket model (blue line).



Figure 6. Measured against modeled daily actual evaporation. The dotted line represents the 1:1 line.



**Figure 7.** Measured and modeled daily water availability during the measurement period. Water availability was measured by subtracting the dead weight of the lysimeters from the total weight of the lysimeters over time. The measured peak in available water on 10 December 2017 is related to a heavy snowfall event that resulted in a strong increase of the lysimeter weight.

#### 3.2. Long-Term Evaporation Fluxes From Six Different Roof Setups

Long term averaged simulated  $E_p$  was 401 mm/year for the *Sedum* vegetation, and 587 mm/year for the grass/herb vegetation (Table 1). For conventional roof systems,  $E_a$  was on average 290 mm/year and 412 mm/year for the *Sedum* and grass/herb vegetation cover, respectively, i.e., much lower (111 mm/year and 173 mm/year) than the potential evaporation. Such a water shortage is severe and in line with our observation that the *Sedum* on the conventional roof was colored red and experienced severe water stress. By adding a Permavoid storage and capillary irrigation system with a storage volume of 30 mm and 80 mm, the water shortage for *Sedum* was reduced to 51 mm/year and 15 mm/year and for grass/herbs to 121 mm/year and 72 mm/year, respectively. The shortage for grass/herbs remained large. Only a few years occurred without a water shortage for the grass/herb cover and a storage of 80 mm (Figure 8f). For *Sedum*, the water shortage was almost absent for each year using a water storage of 80 mm in the Permavoid storage unit (Figure 8c).

For the conventional roof system, water shortages already started in March and continued until September under the Dutch climate (Figure 9a,d). Using capillary irrigation, the start of water shortages were delayed by approximately one month (Figure 9b,e,f) or disappeared (Figure 9c). Given the water shortages of ca. 20 mm already occurring in April, grass/herb vegetation would probably not survive (and thus be not sustainable) under the conventional system (Figure 9d). Even combined with capillary irrigation and a water storage of 30 mm, significant evaporation reduction occurred from May until August (Figure 9e). Installing 80 mm of water storage limited the water shortages to predominantly the summer months (Figure 9f). Nevertheless, shortages will still be significant during dry years.

Roof System	Vegetation	Water Storage (mm)	E <sub>p</sub> (mm/year)	E <sub>a</sub> (mm/year)	Water Shortage (mm)
Conventional	Sedum	-	401	290	111
Conventional	Grass/herbs	-	587	414	173
Capillary irrigation	Sedum	30	401	350	51
Capillary irrigation	Sedum	80	401	386	15
Capillary irrigation	Grass/herbs	30	587	466	121
Capillary irrigation	Grass/herbs	80	587	515	72

Table 1. Long-term annual mean cumulative evaporation.



**Figure 8.** Simulated long-term yearly evaporation and water shortage (difference between  $E_p$  and  $E_a$ ) of six different green roof setups.



**Figure 9.** Long-term monthly mean evaporation and water shortage (difference between  $E_p$  and  $E_a$ ) of six different green roof setups.

#### 3.3. Energy Considerations

The Bowen ratio  $\beta$ , i.e., the ratio between LE and H, yields a quick insight into the prevailing microclimate on the different roofs. The annual mean Bowen ratios were below one for all investigated systems (Table 2), which was in line with the local temperate humid climate conditions. The abundant water supply at the capillary irrigated plots was reflected in very low mean  $\beta$ s. On hot summer days, however,  $\beta$  became much higher. During hot summer days,  $\beta$ s of well over 10 occurred at all modeled roof setups, indicating days with virtually no water available for evaporation, and high H fluxes (Figure 10), i.e., extensive warming of the air. Conditions resembling semi-arid conditions  $(2 < \beta \le 5)$  and arid conditions  $(5 < \beta \le 10)$  even occurred on a regular basis during spring and summer. Nonetheless, there were distinct differences between the different roof setups. With over 10 days per month with  $\beta$  > 2 (total stacked column) and up to four days per month, with even  $\beta$  > 10, the conventional system was the least effective for evaporative cooling. Storage of precipitation and capillary irrigation reduced the number of days per month with water stress and high  $\beta$ . Furthermore, storage of water limited water stress and high  $\beta$ s to predominantly June, July, and August, while without storage, high  $\beta$ s also occurred in spring and early autumn. Storing to a maximum of 30 mm already halved the number of days, with  $\beta > 2$  for a *Sedum*-vegetated roof compared to the conventional layout (Figure 10b). Increasing the storage level to 80 mm roughly halves the number of days with  $\beta$  > 2 again and delays high  $\beta$  days till the end of summer (Figure 10c). Storing precipitation water has less effect on the  $\beta$ s of the grass/herb vegetated systems (Figure 10e,f). Although the annual mean LE is higher for the grass/herbs vegetation (Table 2), the number of days with low LE and thus lower evaporative cooling is lower for the *Sedum* vegetation. The higher  $E_p$  of the grass/herbs vegetation and consequently the earlier event of running dry for the precipitation storage form an explanation for this.

Capillary irrigation

Grass/herbs

5				
Roof System	Vegetation	Water Storage (mm)	Fraction <i>LE</i> of <i>R</i> <sub>n</sub> (-)	Bowen Ratio $\beta$ (-)
Conventional	Sedum	-	0.54	0.87
Conventional	Grass/herbs	-	0.65	0.55
Capillary irrigation	Sedum	30	0.71	0.41
Capillary irrigation	Sedum	80	0.76	0.31
Capillary irrigation	Grass/herbs	30	0.86	0.16

80

0.95

**Table 2.** Long-term annual mean latent heat flux (LE) fractions of  $R_n$  and Bowen ratio's for six system layouts.



**Figure 10.** Long-term energy performance of green roof systems expressed in an average number of days per month within a certain Bowen ratio range. The total height of the stacked column denotes the average number of days per month with  $\beta > 2$ .

#### 4. Discussion

In this study, the water availability and water demand is quantified for green roofs with and without precipitation storage and the capillary irrigation. We present one year of detailed measurements of actual evaporation and parameterized the Penman–Monteith equation with on-site measurements. We used this dataset to parameterize and validate a simple bucket model to estimate actual evaporation for a period of 30 years. The model performed well with mean deviations of -0.04 mm/day, 0.28 mm/day, and 0.01 mm/day, respectively, for the conventional plot, the capillary irrigated plot with 4 cm substrate, and the capillary irrigated plot with 8 cm substrate. This model performance was very good, and comparable with, for instance [25], who used a variation of the

0.05

Thornthwaite–Mather approximation to calculate  $E_a$  based on the substrate moisture content. In line with [25], the Penman–Monteith based estimates of  $E_p$  using on-site and the regional datasets in combination with a simple water availability model, resulted in a good prediction of  $E_a$  for different green roof layouts in Amsterdam.

As hypothesized, the storage of precipitation and capillary irrigation proved to be an effective measure for increasing evaporation. Installing a maximum 80 mm storage and capillary irrigation system increased the mean annual  $E_a$  to 101 mm/year and 96 mm/year, respectively, compared to a conventional grass/herbs and *Sedum* layout (Table 1). The mean annual water shortage reduced to 72 and 15 mm, respectively, resulting in an almost potential evaporation of the *Sedum* vegetation. Hydrological performance in the sense of evaporating precipitation water instead of discharging this water to the sewer was thus greatly improved by the storage and capillary irrigation system.

The *Sedum*-covered plots at the beginning of the experiment had a remarkably large evaporation rate. There is still some debate in the literature on the effectiveness of *Sedum* vegetation for evaporation and consequent cooling. For instance, Solcerova et al. [20] state in their recent paper that *Sedum* species do not transpire during daytime due to their crassulacean acid metabolism (CAM). Our detailed 5 min basis  $E_a$  measurements however, showed predominantly daytime evaporation for the *Sedum* vegetation. This resulted in daily evaporation fluxes of up to 4 mm/day when the water availability was not limiting. Our results fell within the range of several detailed studies on the evaporation presented in [27,28]. Comparable daily  $E_a$  fluxes, of over 4 mm/day, were found by [27] for two sedum dominated roofs in New York. Our results are supported by many ecological and plant physiological studies, who point out the water status dependency of the metabolism of *Sedum* species [28,40–47]. For instance, in the majority of European species, CAM activity is water status-dependent [42]. Many of the species in commercially available *Sedum* mix blankets and plugs, e.g., *Sedum album, Sedum acre, Sedum kamschaticum*, exhibit C3-type photosynthesis when water is available, but they shift to CAM mode when water becomes scarce.

Based on our results, in contrast to [20], we advocate the application of Sedum species as rooftop vegetation when cooling is the main objective, and active irrigation is not favored. A well-watered Sedum vegetation (i.e., not experiencing water stress) has a lower annual evaporation compared to a grass/herbs vegetation, but day-to-day evaporation still remains substantial, up to 4 mm/day, when water is available. Moreover, due to the higher water efficiency of Sedum vegetation, it takes longer before the water runs out in the system and evaporation declines. Our results showed that when storing up to 80 mm of water, *Sedum* vegetation is sustainable in the long term. Grass/herbs vegetation wilts when water runs out, and it takes substantial time to recover. During this period, evaporation and thus cooling is strongly reduced. Due to the CAM shift, Sedum species can survive prolonged drought periods and recover quickly when water is available again. With on average ca. 70 mm and in dry years over 150 mm of additional irrigation annually, grass/herbs vegetation becomes sustainable under the Dutch current climate, assuming an 80 mm storage level and capillary irrigation. Besides, the extra cooling capacity, such as vegetation, provides additional advantages such as a higher potential for more natural vegetation sustaining native biodiversity. Irrigation might become even more essential, as very recent high-resolution climate modeling suggests amplified the drought conditions in central-western Europe during the future spring and summer [48]. The question is, of course, where to obtain this irrigation water. The maximum allowable weight on existing roofs is often limited, especially restricting the amount of water storage on the roofs of already existing buildings [49]. Tap water is an easily available source and it can be directly supplied to the storage units with an automated valve. Although using tap water might be a financially viable solution [50], using this high quality water might not be a very sustainable solution, especially in prolonged dry periods. On a neighborhood level, high-rise buildings might be fitted with a reflective white coating or white gravel (so called 'cool roofs') [19], in combination with rainwater storage. This water could then be used to irrigate the lower-lying roofs during periods with water demand. It might also be beneficial, depending on the local geohydrological conditions, to store excess rainwater in subsurface

aquifers during winter (in our case over 337–562 mm/year, depending on a grass/herbs or sedum vegetation, when subtracting annual mean  $E_a$  (Table 1) from mean P), and to recover this water for irrigation during summer. This might also reduce peak storm water discharges and provide water for other functions. Given the positive experiences with aquifer storage and recovery for greenhouses [51], such a solution might be feasible on a neighborhood level. Other options might be the treatment and reuse of greywater, as proposed by [52], or a combination of the above options.

Presenting our results, we want to address the importance of local microclimatic conditions such as wind speed and anthropogenic sources of energy when estimating the  $E_p$  and  $E_a$  of green roofs. For instance, not correcting for wind speed differences between the local site and the regional meteorological station (Schiphol) would lead to a 140 mm larger potential evaporation for the grass/herbs vegetation. This implies that roofs exposed to wind will have larger water shortages than what is presented in this paper and this will result in harsher environments for the grasses and herbs. This is especially the case for tall vegetation with a low aerodynamic resistance, such as grasses and herbs. The  $E_p$  of *Sedum* only marginally increased with 19 mm without correcting for wind. Moreover, additional energy sources such as air vents and air conditioning units are common on roof tops. In our case, a building air vent next to the 4 cm substrate capillary irrigated plot resulted in a measured  $E_a$  exceeding the estimated  $E_p$  by several mm/day during hot days in August 2017 and June 2018.

Although *Sedum* is a good choice with respect to the survival of drought periods and evaporative cooling, for reducing storm water runoff, a grass/herbs vegetation might be a better choice (Figure 11). Plots with grass/herbs vegetation show an overall lower estimated discharge due to the higher evaporation. During winter, the estimated storm water runoff of the different roof setups is comparable. During spring and summer, estimated differences are clearly visible. The Monthly averaged estimated runoff from a capillary-irrigated roof with 80 mm storage is only half that of a conventional roof with *Sedum* vegetation (Figure 11a). With grass/herbs vegetation, this difference is even larger, resulting in almost no estimated discharge in May and June, and less than one third of the estimated discharge in July and August (Figure 11b).



**Figure 11.** Estimated (with the bucket model) monthly averaged runoff for the six roof setups based on 30 years of Schiphol meteorological data. Black triangles denote the monthly averaged precipitation over the period 1988–2017.

The question remains for whether green roofs cool the air. We found that evaporation and thus LE is highly dependent on the configuration of the roof, and especially the ability to store and provide water when needed. We observed higher maximum air temperatures at 21.5 cm above the substrate level on hot summer days at the conventional roof compared to the irrigated plots. We however chose not to use this data because these temperature differences are hard to interpret due to, for instance, the advection of warmer or colder air from adjacent areas of the roof, the effects of ventilation systems, and mixing of the air due to wind effects. Instead, we therefore decided to focus on the energy balance, which provides less disputable information on the effects of the different green roof layouts on the urban energy balance. We showed that the distribution of net incoming energy over latent energy LE and sensible heat flux H is highly dependent on the water availability, which is in line with the calculations of [19]. We calculated the number of days per month above certain Bowen ratios ( $\beta$ ) (Figure 10) to assess the occurrence and severity of dry-out events. A storage of 80 mm and capillary irrigation limited the number of  $\beta$  > 2 days per month to one or two on average during summer for a Sedum vegetation and up to four days for a grass/herbs vegetation. Without capillary irrigation, the number of high  $\beta$  days was much higher with over eight days per month with  $\beta > 2$  and over three days per month with  $\beta$  > 10 during summer. Storage and capillary irrigation thus strongly reduces *H*. Additional irrigation can reduce the sensible heat flux even further. To assess the potential of different green roof designs effects on UHI, our findings need to be extrapolated to the city scale level with regional climate models.

Our measurements, parameterizations, and simulations can help to improve the implementation of water availability effects in these models under temperate conditions. Further research is needed to assess the effect of water storage and capillary irrigation for green roof performance under different climatic conditions. As pointed out by [21], solar radiation and relative humidity are the key meteorological factors for the evaporative cooling potential of green roofs. For instance, in tropical megacities (e.g., Bangkok, Singapore) evaporation is reduced due to very high RH, limiting the evaporative cooling potential. Nonetheless, Jim et al. [21] still measured a significant cooling effect on the air layer directly above the vegetation in humid sub-tropical Hong Kong. Blue-green roofs in megacities with a hot-dry climate with high solar intensity (e.g., Cairo) however, might have a higher cooling potential compared to our results when irrigation water is available. Morakinyo et al. [53] compared the thermal performance of green roofs under four climatic conditions (temperate (Paris), warm humid (Tokyo), hot humid (Hong Kong) and hot-dry (Cairo)) using ENVI-met model calculations for virtual urban density scenarios. Their results indicate that the cooling potential of (intensive) green roofs follows this order (from high to low potential): hot-dry, hot-humid, warm-humid, and temperate, when water availability is not a constraining factor. Based on these results, we expect that blue-green roofs with capillary irrigation have beneficial effects on the urban climate outside of temperate regions.

Amsterdam has about 12 km<sup>2</sup> of unused flat roof tops, providing a vast area for greening the city, storing excess precipitation, and reducing UHI. Our research provides valuable information on the feasibility and effectiveness of different green roof designs, which might be implemented on these currently unused rooftops. Depending on the building weight limitations, which need to be evaluated in each case by a structural engineer, we advocate rooftop storage of precipitation water and the use of this water for irrigation if possible. In our case, the maximum load was only 90 kgm<sup>-2</sup>, but with some relatively simple structural changes, we could increase the maximum load to over 142 kgm<sup>-2</sup> for the three raised research plots. Storing precipitation and capillary irrigation results in reduced *H*, less discharge to the sewer system and more options for more diverse and natural vegetation.

#### 5. Conclusions

• A combination of Penman–Monteith estimates of potential evaporation, and a simple bucket model for evaporation reduction results in good estimates of actual evaporation of green roof vegetations (i.e., NSE > 0.73, Pearson's r > 0.86).

- Storing precipitation water and passive capillary irrigation significantly increases the evaporation and delays the evaporation reduction and decrease of latent heat flux during hot dry periods.
- Storing precipitation water and passive capillary irrigation decreases the number of days with high Bowen ratios. Storage and capillary irrigation thus strongly reduces the sensible heat flux.
- *Sedum* had a remarkably large evaporation rate and showed predominantly daytime evaporation, pointing at a shift from CAM to C3 when water is abundantly available.
- Although well-watered *Sedum* vegetation has a lower evaporation rate compared to grass/herbs vegetation, day-to-day evaporation still remains substantial. Moreover, due to the higher water efficiency of a *Sedum* vegetation, it takes longer before the water runs out in the system and evaporative cooling declines.
- In the case of stormwater reduction and biodiversity as additional objectives, a grass/herb vegetation might provide extra benefits due to the higher evaporation and the earlier emptying of the system, and a more diverse native vegetation. However, under the Dutch climatic conditions, additional irrigation is needed for the survival of such a vegetation during dry spells.
- To assess the potential effects on UHI, our findings need to be extrapolated to the city scale and other climates with regional climate models. Our measurements, parameterizations, and simulations can help to improve the implementation of water availability effects in these models.

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#### Abbreviations

Notation	Description
Ε	Evaporation from a vegetated surface (mm/day)
Et	Plant transpiration (mm/day)
Es	Soil evaporation (mm/day)
Ei	Evaporation of intercepted water (mm/day)
Ep	Potential evaporation (mm/day)
Ēa	Actual evaporation (mm/day)
LE	Latent heat flux (MJm <sup><math>-2</math></sup> /day)
Н	Sensible heat flux (MJm <sup>-2</sup> /day)
R <sub>n</sub>	Net radiation (MJm <sup>-2</sup> /day)
Rs	Incoming shortwave radiation (MJm <sup>-2</sup> /day)
G	Soil heat flux (MJm <sup>-2</sup> /day)
$ ho_{a}$	Air density (kg m $^{-3}$ )
Cp	Specific heat of moist air $(J \cdot kg^{-1} \circ C^{-1})$
e <sub>s</sub>	Saturation vapour pressure of the air (kPa)
ea	Actual vapour pressure of the air (kPa)
r <sub>a</sub>	Aerodynamic resistance to turbulent heat and vapour transfer $(s \cdot m^{-1})$
r <sub>s</sub>	Surface resistance $(s \cdot m^{-1})$

$\gamma$	Psychrometric constant (kPa $\cdot^{\circ}$ C <sup>-1</sup> )
λ	Latent heat of vaporization (J·kg $^{-1}$ )
$ ho_{ m w}$	Density of liquid water $(kg \cdot m^{-3})$
θ	Soil moisture content (–)
$T_{\rm soil}$	Soil temperature (°C)
Ta	Ambient air temperature (°C)
Р	Precipitation (mmd <sup>-1</sup> )
RH	Relative humidity (-)
$z_{\rm m}$	Height of wind measurements (m)
$z_{\rm h}$	Height of humidity measurements (m)
d	Zero plane displacement height (m)
z <sub>om</sub>	Roughness length governing momentum transfer (m)
z <sub>oh</sub>	Roughness length governing transfer of heat and vapour (m)
k	Von Karman's constant (0.41 (-))
$u_z$	Wind speed at height $z_m$ (ms <sup>-1</sup> )
V	Vegetation height (m)
β	Bowen ratio (-)
RC	Root Constant in simple bucket model (mm)
PWP	Permanent Wilting Point in simple bucket model (mm)
D	Drainage in simple bucket model (mm/day)

Appendix A. Linear Regressions between  $R_n$  and G, and between  $R_s$  and  $R_n$ 



Figure A1. Linear regression between on-site measured net radiation  $R_n$  and soil heat flux G.



Figure A2. Linear regression between on-site measured incoming solar radiation  $R_s$  and net radiation  $R_n$ .

#### Appendix B. List of Sown Plant Species

Species Name	Species Name (Continued)
Achillea millefolium	Koeleria glauca
Allium schoenoprasum	Linaria vulgaris
Anthoxanthum odoratum	Linum usitatissimum
Armeria maritima	Lotus corniculatus subsp. corniculatus
Bromus tectorum	Melica ciliata
Campanula rotundifolia	Origanum vulgare
Dianthus armeria	Phleum boehmeri
Dianthus carthusianorum	Plantago media
Dianthus deltoides	Potentilla argentea
Dianthus superbus	Prunella grandiflora
Erigeron acer	Prunella vulgaris
Erodium cicutarium	Rumex acetosella
Festuca ovina subsp. cinerea	Satureja vulgaris
Festuca ovina subsp. ovina	Sedum acre
Festuca rubra subsp. arenaria	Sedum album
Galium verum	Sedum rupestre
Geranium robertianum	Sedum spurium
Helichrysum arenarium	Silene vulgaris
Hieracium pilosella	Thymus pulegioides
Jasione montana	Trifolium arvense

Table A1. Plant species sown on the roof.

#### Appendix C. Wind Speed Correction

To keep the 30 year model simulations comparable to the measurement period, we corrected the wind speed of location Schiphol to represent the conditions of the experimental roof. First, the wind speed of both sites was corrected to a 2 m height with a wind profile relationship proposed by [38]:

$$u_2 = u_z \frac{4.87}{\ln(67.8z - 5.42)} \tag{A1}$$

where  $u_2$  is the wind speed at 2 m height,  $u_z$  is the measured wind speed, and z is the height of the windspeed measurement (z = 10 for Schiphol, z = 1.5 for the green roof). Second, the wind speed correction factor for keeping the 30 year model simulations comparable to the measurement period was derived by linear regression (Figure A3). The wind speed at Schiphol was a factor that was 2.017 larger than on the green roof.



**Figure A3.** Comparison between the daily averaged wind speed at the research site (roof) and the daily averaged wind speed at Schiphol after correction for the measurement height.

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## 3 Project Smartroof 2.0: Resultaatoverzicht voor de groeiseizoenen 2017 en 2018



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Steden wereldwijd worden geconfronteerd met toenemende temperaturen als gevolg van klimaatverandering en toenemende stedelijke dichtheid. Groene daken worden gepromoot als klimaatadaptatie maatregel om de luchttemperatuur te verlagen en het comfort in stedelijke gebieden te verbeteren, vooral tijdens intensieve droge en warme perioden. Toch blijft er discussie over de effectiviteit van deze maatregel, vanwege een gebrek aan fundamentele kennis over de verdamping van verschillende groendaksystemen. Met project Smartroof 2.0 onderzoeken we de water- en energiebalans van verschillende daktypes.


Project Smartroof 2.0 is een innovatieproject van een publiekprivate samenwerking tussen gemeente Amsterdam, Waternet, Drain Products, Aedes Real Estate, KWR Water Cycle Research Institute en Marineterrein Amsterdam en is mede gefinancierd met PPS-financiering uit de Toeslag voor Topconsortia voor Kennis en Innovatie (TKI's) van het ministerie van Economische Zaken en Klimaat. Gezamenlijk hebben wij invulling gegeven aan een van de prangende stedelijke uitdagingen: hoe gaan we om met stijgende temperaturen als gevolg van klimaatverandering en toenemende stedelijke dichtheid? Een deel van de resultaten is hard: in de zin dat deze door wetenschappelijke standaarden zijn gemeten en gemodelleerd. Bovendien zijn deze resultaten gepubliceerd in een wetenschappelijk tijdschrift (ref). Andere resultaten zijn "zachter" in de zin dat ze op niet wetenschappelijke wijze vergaard. In dit verslag maken we duidelijk onderscheid tussen beide.

Voor opschaling en implementatie zijn, afhankelijk van de specifieke behoeftes, beide typen resultaten interessant. Betrokkenen bij investeringsbeslissingen, beleid en inkoopeisen voor het realiseren van blauw-groene daken op bestaande gebouwen en in nieuw te ontwikkelen gebieden kunnen naar eigen inzicht en behoefte de resultaten gebruiken.







Water is onmisbaar voor plantengroei. Daarom hebben we drie soorten daken vergeleken. Een conventioneel groen dak en twee daken, die zijn uitgerust met een regenwateropslag- en capillair irrigatiesysteem (blauw-groene daken). Deze blauw-groene daken hebben een 85 mm hoge holle drainagelaag, direct onder de leeflaag, waarin regenwater wordt opgeslagen. Deze units hebben speciale vezelcilinders die het water tijdens droge perioden via capillaire werking terug naar de beplanting brengen. Zo ontstaat er automatische irrigatie, zonder gebruik van pompen, slangen of energie. Net als in de natuur.

### Resultaat: verkoeling en vergroening als oplossing voor de gevolgen van klimaatverandering

We hebben drie verschillende onderzoeksvlakken bemeten, die zijn bedekt met Sedum en/of grassen en kruiden en verschillende substraatdiktes (4 cm en 8 cm).Voor elk van de drie vlakken is de water- en energiebalans opgesteld. Hierdoor is het mogelijk om het effect van blauw-groene daken met een nieuw opslag- en capillairirrigatiesysteem te vergelijken met een conventioneel groendak.

Onze metingen en modellering toonden aan dat conventionele groendaksystemen (dat wil zeggen een *Sedum*-vegetatie op vier centimeter substraat) een lage verdamping hebben en een gering koeleffect. De twee andere daken, uitgerust met een opslag- en capillair irrigatiesysteem, vertoonden een opmerkelijk hoge verdamping tijdens hete, droge periodes bij een *Sedum* bedekking. Bedekt met grassen en kruiden, was de verdamping nog hoger. Het implementeren van deze systemen kan daarom leiden tot een betere koel efficiëntie van daken in stedelijk gebied.

#### Resultaten van wetenschappelijk onderzoek<sup>1</sup> op basis van metingen en modellering:

- 1 Waterberging en verdamping: door berging van regenwater en capillaire nalevering kan de verdamping van een groendak sterk worden vergroot. Een illustratie hiervan is de gemeten verdamping tijdens een twee weken durende hittegolf in juni 2017. Het conventionele groendak bleek in deze periode 18 liter water per m2 verdampen. Het blauw-groene dak verdampte in dezelfde periode wel tot maar liefst 42 liter water per m2. Door het beschikbare water kunnen de planten bijna de volledig potentiële oppervlakte verdampen (= maximale koeling efficiëntie). De langjarige werkelijke verdamping van een Sedum vegetatie loopt bijvoorbeeld op van gemiddeld 290 mm/jr bij een conventioneel systeem zonder waterberging tot 386 mm/jr bij een waterberging van 80 mm bij een potentiële (maximale) verdamping van 401 mm/jr.
- 2. Stedelijke koeling 1: blauw-groene daksystemen met een capillair irrigatiesysteem zetten langjarig gemiddeld bijna 50% meer inkomende (zonne-) energie om naar verdamping van water in plaats van opwarming van lucht dan conventionele groene daken. Gedurende droge hete periodes beschikken conventionele daken over te weinig water en daardoor loopt dit verschil sterk op. Bij conventionele daken wordt tijdens deze periodes het merendeel van de inkomende energie omgezet in opwarming van lucht terwijl de verdamping

en daarmee de koeling van de blauw-groene daken langdurig op peil blijft.

- 3. Stedelijke koeling 2: het aantal dagen dat het groendak niet koelt door een gebrek aan water neemt sterk af door waterberging en capillaire nalevering. Waar bij het geteste conventionele systeem in het late voorjaar en de zomer tot meer dan 10 niet koelende 'woestijn'-dagen per maand voorkomen, is dit bij het capillaire systeem bij 80 mm berging afgenomen naar 1 à 2 dagen per maand. Deze dagen kunnen helemaal voorkomen worden door verdere vergroting van de berging en/of de bijvulling van het water in de bergingslaag.
- Oppervlakte temperatuur: het temperatuurverschil tussen het oppervlak van het referentiedak met standaard zwarte bitumen en het begroeide blauw-groene daksysteem loopt op tot 40°C op zomerse dagen.

#### Zachte resultaten

Project Smartroof 2.0 heeft resultaten opgeleverd die inzicht bieden in de randvoorwaarden voor de verdere ontwikkeling en opschaling van blauw-groene vegetatiesystemen. Naast de wetenschappelijk gebaseerde gegevens hebben we het dak actief beheerd en hebben we gezien en via niet wetenschappelijke methoden gemeten dat er nog meer resultaten zijn. Dit kan worden gezien als "bijvangst" van het living lab. Daarnaast hebben we gedurende het samenwerkingsproces steeds geëvalueerd.

<sup>1</sup> Evaporation from (Blue-)Green Roofs: Assessing the Benefits of a Storage and Capillary Irrigation System Based on Measurements and Modeling by Dirk Gijsbert Cirkel, Bernard R. Voortman, Thijs van Veen and Ruud P. Bartholomeus, KWR Research Institute, 2018

- 1. **Diversiteit in planten:** door continue beschikbaar water is het bodemvochtgehalte in de blauw-groene daksystemen stabiel. Dit resulteert in duidelijk zichtbare vegetatieverschillen. Het blauw-groene daksysteem heeft een gemengde vegetatie van Sedum, grassen en kruiden, terwijl het conventionele groendak zich niet verder ontwikkelt dan het stadium van beginnende Sedum planten.
- 2. **Minder energiegebruik voor koeling:** sinds de installatie van Project Smartroof 2.0 zijn de airconditioningseenheden in de ruimten onder het dak niet gebruikt. De opzet van het blauw-groene dak bovenop het niet-geïsoleerde dak hield voldoende warmte buiten het gebouw om de noodzaak voor airco te onderdrukken. Temperatuurmetingen ondersteunen dit. Zelfs op warme zomerdagen overtreft de watertemperatuur in het systeem niet 23-24 °C.







2018 werd gekenmerkt door een enorm lange droge periode. Gedurende een periode van 5 maanden, die half april 2018 begon, ontving het dak geen significante hoeveelheid neerslag. Het bood de gelegenheid om te zien hoe de verschillende systemen zouden reageren op deze omstandigheden en wat nodig zou zijn om planten in leven te houden tijdens de langdurige droge periode van spreiding. Hierdoor werden een deze extra resultaten zichtbaar:

- Watervoorraad: het dak waarop Project Smartroof 2.0 is gebouwd, is nooit ontworpen om een blauw-groen dak te ondersteunen. Vandaar dat de blauw-groene constructie van Project Smartroof 2.0 (90 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) niet toestaat om veel regenwater op te slaan voor plantirrigatie. Slechts 30 mm uit de 80 mm maximale opslagcapaciteit voor regenwater kan worden gebruikt. Dit betekent dat na gemiddeld 15 dagen regenwater of irrigatiewater nodig is om de planten maximaal te laten groeien.
- 2. Slimme irrigatie versus handmatige irrigatie: tijdens de droge periode ontbrak dit regenwater. Om de planten in leven te houden zijn twee verschillende irrigatieregimes in werking gesteld. De eerste op basis van handmatig water geven met een tuinslang door een tuinarchitect, de tweede op basis van sensorwaterpeilmetingen en computergestuurde automatische klepopening/ sluiting om water aan te vullen in de blauwe basis. Na vier maanden van droogte werd het verschil in irrigatieregime zichtbaar. Het elektronische systeem bestond uit volledig actieve en groene planten, terwijl de handmatig bewaterde planten tekenen van droogte begonnen te vertonen door geelverkleuring van de bladeren, ondanks dat ze 2 of 3 keer per week door een specialist werden besproeid.







3. Biodiversiteit fauna: In augustus 2018 bemonsterde een ecoloog Project Smartroof 2.0 op aanwezigheid van insecten en spinnen. Ondanks de lange droge periode die zomer, in een bemonsteringsperiode van slechts 24 uur, werden 42 verschillende soorten insecten gevonden, met een opmerkelijk hoog aantal vliegende insecten en een levendige populatie van meerdere soorten spinnen. Dat geeft aan dat ze allemaal voldoende insecten vinden op het dak om te eten. Er werd zelfs een zeldzame soort wesp gevonden. Dit wijst op een ecosysteem met meerdere prooi-roofdier cycli. In dit specifieke ecologieonderzoek merkte de onderzoeker op dat hij niet eerder zoveel soorten had gezien op een dergelijk blauw-groen dak van slechts 18 maanden oud, gebaseerd op een bodemlaag van slechts 40 mm diep.













- Internationale showcase: de dakopstelling fungeert als een internationale showcase om onze stedelijke daken beter en multifunctioneler te gebruiken en heeft bezoekers uit Europa, Noord-Amerika, Azië en de Golfregio aangetrokken.
- 2. Sleutelfactoren om innovatief samen te werken: de oprichtende partners werkten meer dan twee jaar aan de details om de realisatie van Project Smartroof 2.0 mogelijk te maken. Ook al hebben de partijen verschillende belangen, allen erkennen het belang, de waarde en het potentieel van blauw-groene daksystemen. Of het nu gaat om de waarde van onroerend goed, biodiversiteit, beheer en hergebruik van regenwater, energieprestaties van gebouwen, veerkracht in de stad, menselijke gezondheid of vermindering van het hitte-eiland effect in de stad. Als belangrijkste sleutelfactoren in deze samenwerking hebben wij ervaren dat het benoemen, respecteren en het denken vanuit elkaars belangen sleutelfactoren zijn voor innovatieve samenwerking. Dit resulteerde erin dat alle betrokkenen eindeloos geduld en gedrevenheid toonden in alle stadia van het project. Ook als het lastig werd weigerden ze om het idee los te laten, gemotiveerd door de gezamenlijke visie dat steden een betere plaats kunnen zijn om in te leven en ook zouden moeten zijn.
- 3. **Mediator of innovation:** binnen de samenwerking heeft gemeente Amsterdam de rol op zich genomen als mediator of innovation2. Deze procesaanpak was experimenteel en leidde tot nieuwe inzichten over de rollen die een overheid kan

nemen als facilitator van innovatie. De mediator of innovation brengt de verschillende rollen in het innovatieproces samen zoals launching customer, stakeholders, innovators en kennisinstellingen. In deze rol organiseert, stimuleert en faciliteert de mediator de samenwerkende partners tot het realiseren van het innovatieproject.

- 4. Uitvoering dagelijkse praktijk inzet als cofinanciering en opdrachtgever van innovatie: vrijwel alle innovatiesubsidies in Nederland vereisen een cofinanciering en een project als living lab. Door koppeling van de belangen van de normale opgave en uitvoeringspraktijk (hier: onderhoud aan een dak) met een innovatievraag is het makkelijker om commitment en budget te krijgen waarmee andere oplossingen uitgeprobeerd kunnen worden. Bovendien zorgt een directe verbondenheid met de uitvoering voor een versnelling van de acceptatie van de nieuwe oplossing. Het letterlijk kunnen aanraken, zien, proeven en ruiken dat een andere invulling dan de reguliere keuze mogelijk is, is hierin belangrijk.
- 5. Openlijk kennisdelen en vertrouwen: naast de oprichtende partners om het concept te ondersteunen en het project mogelijk te maken, kan een multifunctioneel dak zoals Project Smartroof 2.0 niet worden gerealiseerd zonder de medewerking van partners die elkaar vertrouwen en openlijk kennis, ervaring en producten delen om een project te creëren met de nieuwste technologie en kennis van zaken.

<sup>2</sup> Public procurement and innovation: A conceptual framework for analyzing project- based procurement strategies for innovation, Bart Lenderink, Hans Voordijk, Joop Halman and André Dorée, 2017, University of Twente.

## **Project Smartroof 2.0**

Heeft resultaten opgeleverd die inzicht bieden in de randvoorwaarden voor de ontwikkeling en integratie van blauw-groene vegetatiesystemen op bestaande gebouwen, daken, dekken en in nieuw te ontwikkelen gebieden en in het versnellen en verbeteren van innovatieve samenwerkingsprocessen. Beide zijn nodig om te versnellen en te veranderen. Project Smartroof 2.0 laat zien dat het kan om de gevolgen van klimaatverandering voor mensen en dieren in de stad te minimaliseren en om te zetten in een kans waarbij iedereen kan profiteren van de functies van de natuur: van koeling, biodiversiteit, belevingswaarde, menselijke gezondheid tot zelfs vastgoedwaarde.



## 4 Project Smartroof 2.0 voor een koel hoofd en droge voeten

Dr. ir. Gijsbert Cirkel Amsterdam, 25 september 2018

## PROJECT SMARTRO

VOOR EEN KOEL HOOFD EN DROGE VOETEN



MARINETERREIN

DRAIN PRODUCTS

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**O** waternet aterschap amstel gooi en vecht



Roofscapes

## Klimaatverandering: meer extreme neerslag en meer hitte

WATEROVERLAST





## Waardoor wordt een stad warmer? Energiebalans in kWH/m<sup>2</sup> op een zonnige zomerdag

#### LANDELIJK GEBIED



STEDELIJK GEBIED TE WEINIG VERDAMPING



## De oplossing: koelen door verdamping

#### VERDAMPEN WATEROVERSCHOT



#### STEDELIJK GEBIED VARWEINIGARERDAMMI/DNGERDAMPING



## Koelen door verdamping 1% meer groen = 0,06 °C minder hitte-eilandeffect

#### MAAK GEBRUIK VAN PLANTEN



HUIDMONDJE



Bartholomeus, 2008

KWR Watercycle Research Institute

## Onderzoek Smartroof 2.0 Effectiviteit van het Permavoid concept



Hoeveel water kunnen we afvoeren **via verdamping**, in plaats van naar het riool?



Leidt een blauwgroen dak daadwerkelijk tot verkoeling? Wetenschappelijk publicaties spreken elkaar tegen en het ontbreekt aan degelijke metingen.



Daken zijn niet altijd sterk genoeg voor een groen dak.

Kunnen we het gewicht optimaliseren zonder te veel concessies te doen wat betreft verdamping?

## Drie onderzoeksvlakken en een referentievlak



## Onderzoek Project Smartroof 2.0 Inzet BTO-kennis/ervaring uit verdampingsonderzoek

ONDERZOEKSVLAKKEN



**REFERENTIEVLAK BITUMEN** 



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## Wat meten we: Parameters voor volledige water- en energiebalans

- Actuele verdamping (met een uniek weegsysteem)
- Neerslag
- Luchttemperatuur (op 3 hoogtes)
- Oppervlaktetemperatuur (puntmetingen en warmtecamera)
- Windrichting en -snelheid
- Luchtvochtigheid
- Bodemvochtgehalte
- Bodemwarmteflux
- Netto straling
- Globale straling

#### LYSIMETEROPSTELLING





#### **PROJECT SMARTROOF 2.0**

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### ROJECT SMARTROOF 2.0

## ONDERZOEKS RESULTATEN

#### water

#### Evaporation from (Blue-)Green Roofs: Assessing the Benefits of a Storage and Capillary Irrigation System Based on Measurements and Modeling

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Abstract: Worldwide cities are facing increasing temperatures due to climate change and increasing urban density. Green roofs are promoted as a climate adaptation measure to lower air temperatures and improve comfort in urban areas, especially during intensive dry and warm spells. However, there is much debate on the effectiveness of this measure, because of a lack of fundamental knowledge about evaporation from different green roof systems. In this study, we investigate the water and energy balance of different roof types on a rooftop in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Based on lysimeter measurements and modeling, we compared the water and energy balance of a conventional green roof with blue-green roofs equipped with a novel storage and capillary irrigation system.



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PROJECT SMARTROOF 2.0

## Wateropslag Flinke toename door Permavoid concept

WATERBERGING (LITER/M<sup>2</sup>)



## Verdamping Verdubbeling tijdens warme periode door Permavoid concept

#### ACTUELE VERDAMPING (LITER/M<sup>2</sup>)



## Parameterisatie Penman-Monteith verg. en modellering

$$E_{\rm p} = \frac{\Delta(R_{\rm n} - G) + \rho_{\rm a}c_{\rm p}(e_{\rm s} - e_{\rm a})/r_{\rm a}}{\left(\Delta + \gamma\left(1 + \frac{r_{\rm s}}{r_{\rm a}}\right)\right)\lambda\rho_{\rm w}}$$





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## Verdeling netto inkomende energie Langjarig gemiddelde verdeling van netto inkomende energie



## Verdeling inkomende energie (Bowen ratio) Langjarig gemiddelde eigenlijk niet zo interessant: het gaat om de hete dagen!



## Verdeling inkomende energie (Bowen ratio)

- Waterberging en verdamping resulteert in sterke reductie niet koelende dagen!
- Maar wat als het regenwater op is?
- Aanvullen met drinkwater?



## Oppervlakte temperatuur

Tot 40°C verschil tussen bitumendak en Permavoid proefvlakken





## Conclusies en overwegingen

- Groene daken kunnen bijdragen aan het koelen van de stad! .....maar alleen als voldoende water beschikbaar is.
- Combineer groene daken dus met waterberging
- Mismatch tussen vraag en aanbod van (regen)water
  - Buffering van water nodig, anders (ongewenste??) suppletie met drinkwater

Klimaatadaptatie maatregelen hebben effect op de drinkwatervoorziening:

- Bij opslag ook nevengebruik: o.a. toilet, tuin
- Afname basisvraag, maar toename piekverbruik?

#### Wat is de rol van de waterbedrijven in deze ontwikkeling?

### 5 Toekomstbestendige assets, The lead buyer approach and innovation in public space.



### Gemeente Amsterdam

## Toekomstbestendige assets

# The lead buyer approach and innovation in public space.

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#### Arealen



Bijna 28 miljoen m<sup>2</sup>
verhardingen



309.548 bomen
26.500.000 m<sup>2</sup> begroeiing



- 906 km² kademuren
- **35** sluizen
- **1.602** bruggen



- **500** reinigers per dag op straat
- 12.000 afvalbakken
- Aanpak **250** hotspots
- Bron: Instandhoudingsplannen 2018-2021 assets en 1 Amsterdam Heel & Schoon



- **384** verkeersregelinstallaties
- **2.800** statische bewegwijzering
- **650** dynamische verkeersmanagementsystemen



- 125.000 masten
- 355 stadsilluminatie-installaties
- 130 stadsklokken



5 tunnels1 verkeerscentrale





Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving. -- Albert Einstein

## Spoor 1: Innoveren binnen overeenkomst Spoor 2: Mediator of innovation



- Launching Customer
- Stakeholder
- Innovator
- Knowledge institute






















### **Lessons learned: Focus on IMPACT**

- 1. Initiate
- 2. Inspire
- 3. Facilitate
- 4. Realize
- 5. Learn
- 6. Scale up









#### 6 Project Smartroof 2.0 Hoe de natuur ons helpt oververhitte en overstroomde steden te voorkomen

### Project Smartroof 2.0

Hoe de natuur ons helpt oververhitte en overstroomde steden te voorkomen



# Uitdagingen









### Opdracht

#### Verkoel de stad Voorkom overstromingen







# Evolutiom from Green to Blue-Green Roofs



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### Circular On Site Water Management





100% nature based solution





## Capillair Regenwater gekoeld kunstgrasveld - Marineterrein 2018





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#### <u>Steden die functioneren als ecosystemen</u> Van **overlast** naar **hulpbron** Van **lozen** naar **oogsten**



