How Reproducible are Soil Water Retention Measurements? (S01-wraith161620-Oral)

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Abstract:

Accurate information concerning subsurface properties and processes is required to facilitate all manner of soils research and management. Despite their fundamental importance, little is known concerning universality or repeatability of soil physical and hydraulic measurements. We will discuss issues related to standardization of subsurface measurement methods. Results of an ongoing study that evaluates variation in soil water retention properties within and among commercial and research laboratories will be presented as part of the discussion.

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