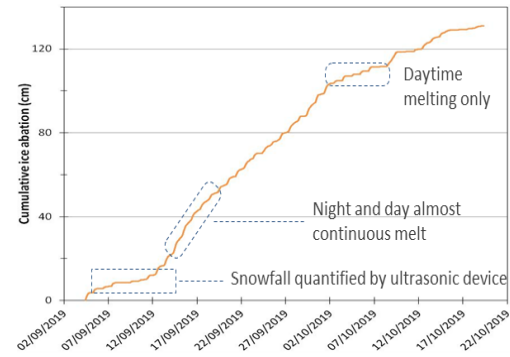


SmartStake: an autonomous measurement station for high resolution glacier ablation monitoring



Tracking the glacier mass loss along the melt season with sub-hourly time step and millimetric accuracy



Argentière Glacier, French Alps
Late summer 2019 continuous ablation monitoring at 2400 m a.s.l.

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Key features



High temporal resolution monitoring
User-defined time step (typical 15')



Battery powered
Min. 2-years life



High resolution meas. (<1cm)
Up to 8-m cumulative ablation



Light and compact
Can be handled by a single person



Direct and non-ambiguous measurement (automatic reel)



Easy to install and set-up



Internal data logger



Winter resistant

Options



Wireless data transmission
LoRa



GPS



Snowfall height
Temperature