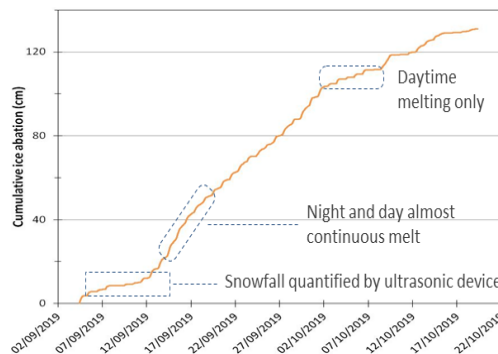


# SmartStake: an autonomous measurement station for high-resolution monitoring of glacier ablation



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 monitoring of ablation at 2400 m a.s.l.

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## Key features



High temporal resolution monitoring  
User-defined time step (typical 30')



Battery powered  
Min. 2-year 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  
Satellite



GPS



Snowfall height  
Temperature