

AeroCom Biomass Burning Experiment

Phase 1: Fire source strength adjustment

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AeroCOM BB Experiment Design

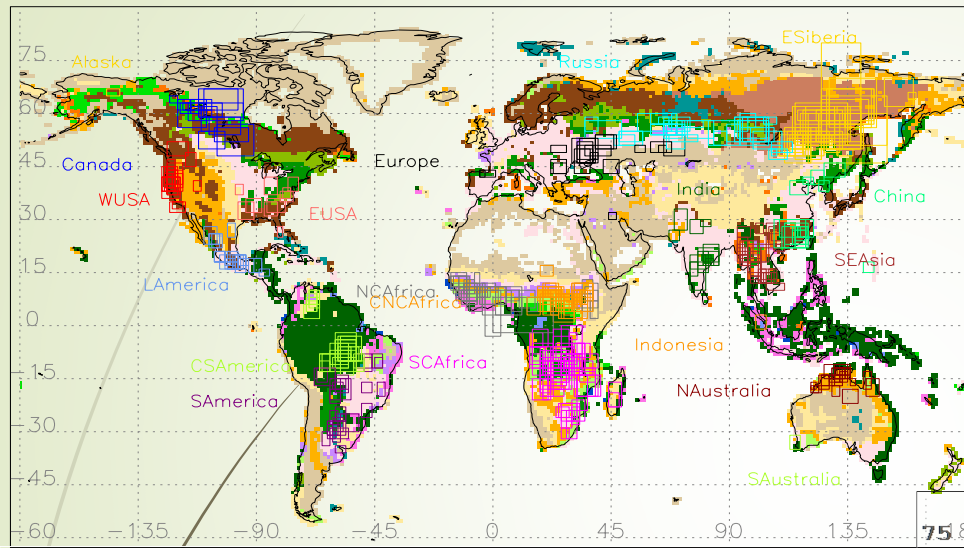
- ▶ We are **providing satellite-based constraints** (globally, stratified by season and biome-related regions) and leading analysis of the results on
 - ▶ **BB source strength (Phase 1)**, M. Petrenko, R. Kahn, M. Chin)
 - ▶ **BB emission injection height (Phase 2)**, M. Val Martin, R. Kahn)
- ▶ Year 2008
- ▶ Runs: GLOFIR0 (no BB), GLOFIR1 (GFED3 daily), GLOFIR0p5 (GFED3*0.5), GLOFIR2, GLOFIR5
- ▶ 14 participating models
 - ▶ CAM5
 - ▶ ECHAM6.1_HAM2.2
 - ▶ ECHAM-SALSA
 - ▶ GEOS-Chem
 - ▶ GEOS5
 - ▶ GFDL
 - ▶ GISS-MATRIX
 - ▶ GISS-OMA
 - ▶ GOCART
 - ▶ HadGEM3
 - ▶ IFS (CAM5)
 - ▶ INCA
 - ▶ OsloCTM2
 - ▶ SPRINTARS

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Objectives

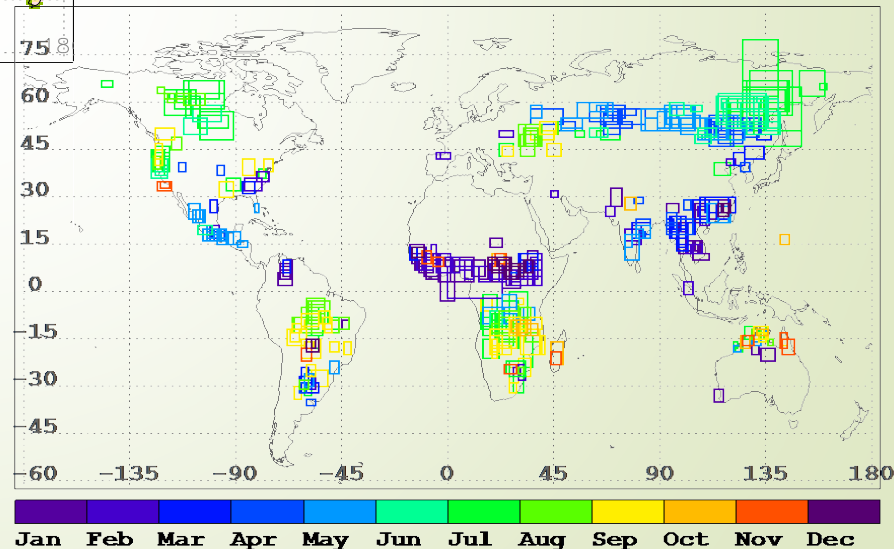
- ▶ Inter-compare and **quantify model BB AOD accuracy and diversity**
- ▶ Evaluate factors that define **regional difference** between satellite and model AOD (Phase 1)
 - ▶ provide constructive summary to widely used GFED inventory
 - ▶ Identify modeling aspects to benefit from modification
- ▶ Develop and evaluate the use of measurement-based, statistical smoke injection height distributions, on simulated smoke climate and air quality effects (Phase 2)

Phase 1: Satellite Reference Observational Dataset



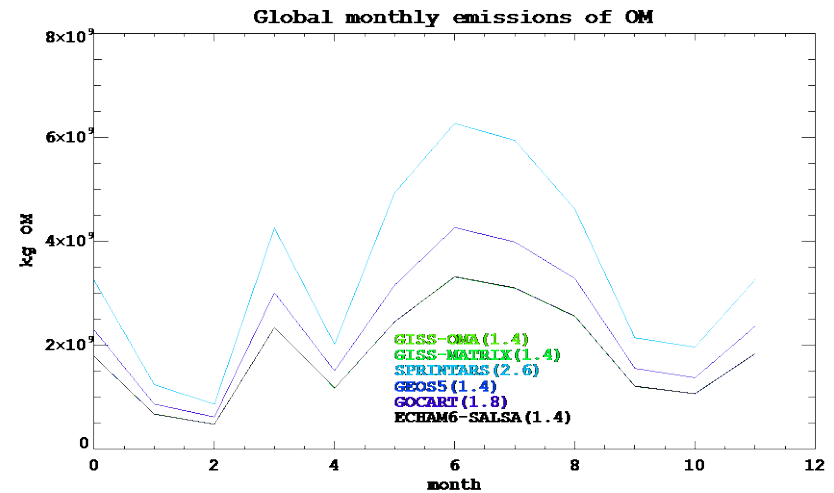
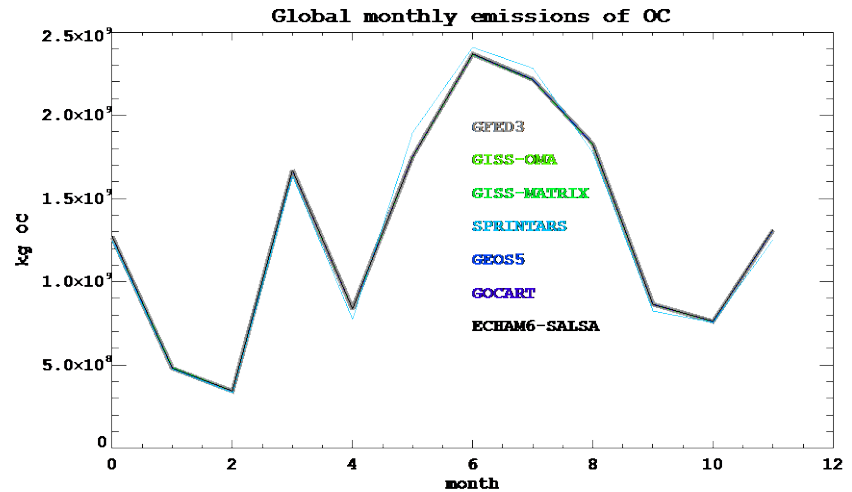
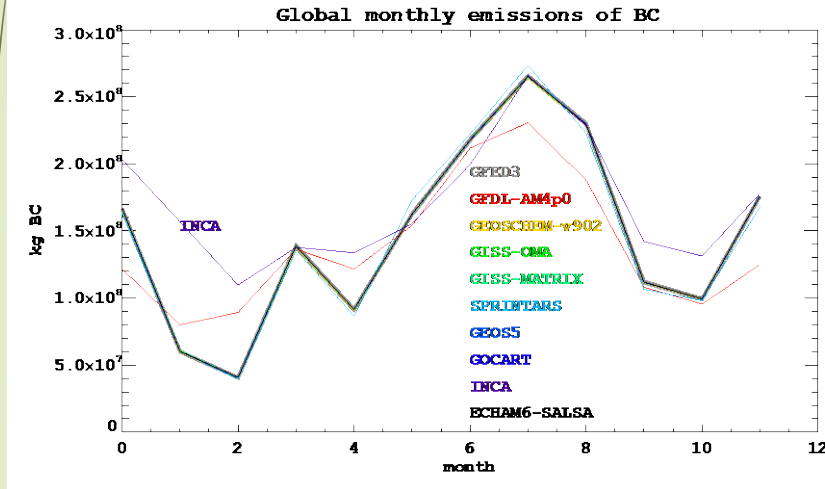
497 cases in 2008

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|---|---|
| 1 Tree cover, broadleaved, evergreen | 10 Undefined |
| 2 Tree cover, broadleaved, deciduous, closed | 11 Shrub cover, closed-open, evergreen |
| 3 Tree cover, broadleaved, open | 12 Shrub cover, closed-open, deciduous |
| 4 Tree cover, needle-leaved, evergreen | 13 Herbaceous cover, closed-open |
| 5 Tree cover, needle-leaved, deciduous | 14 Sparse herbaceous or sparse shrub cover |
| 6 Tree cover mixed leaf type | 15 Regularly flooded shrub and/or herb. cov |
| 7 Tree cover, regularly flooded, fresh water | 16 Cultivated and managed areas |
| 8 Tree cover, regularly flooded, saline water | 17 Mosaic: Cropland/Tree cover/other veg |
| 9 Mosaic: tree cover/other natural veg | 18 Cropland/Shrub and/or grass cover |



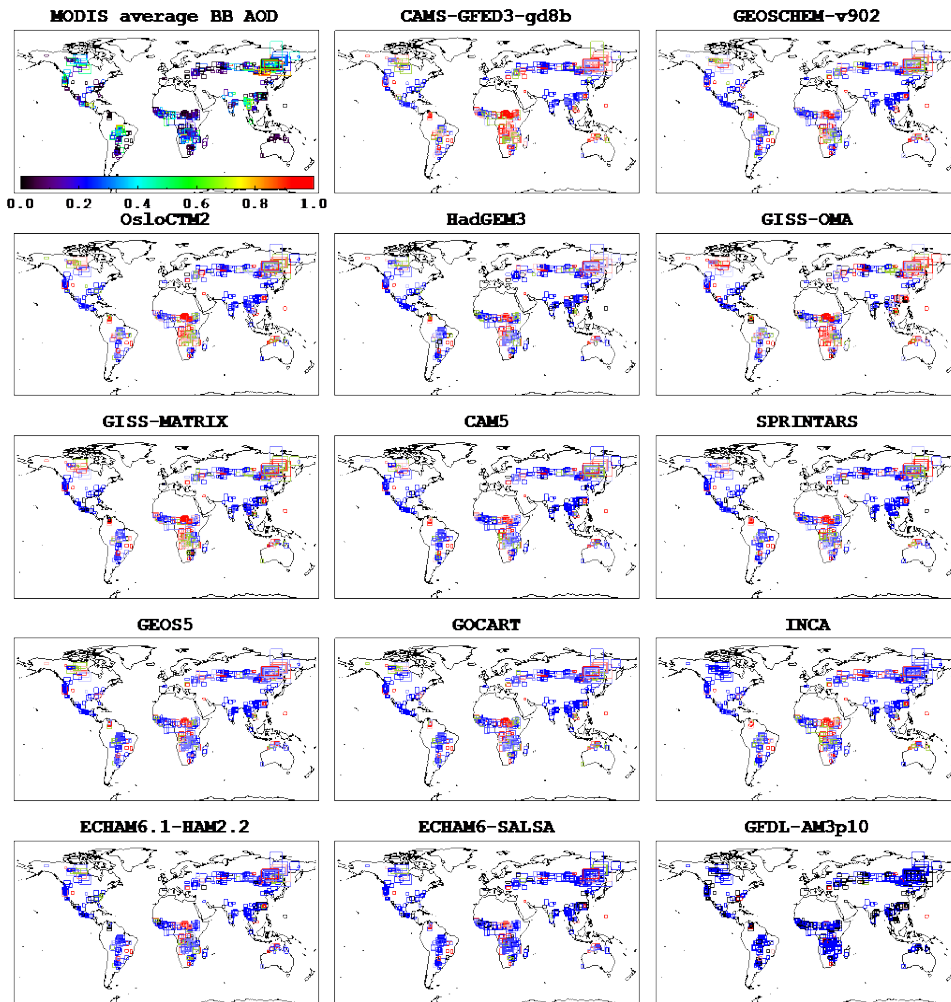
Month when case was observed by MODIS

Global Fire Emission Database version 3 (GFEDv3) aerosol emissions



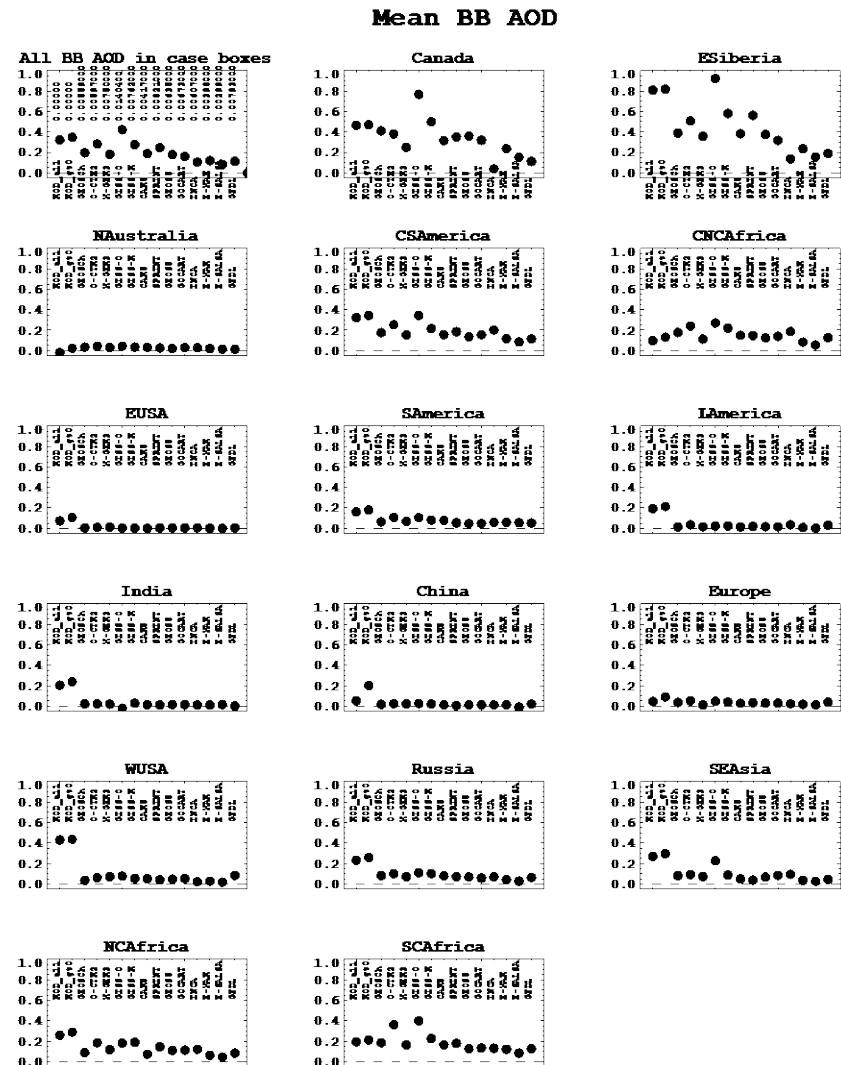
In models:
 $\text{Var}_{\text{BB}} = \text{var}_{\text{GLOFIR1}} - \text{var}_{\text{GLOFIR0}}$

AOD comparison



Ratio of average model to MODIS BB AOD, BB1

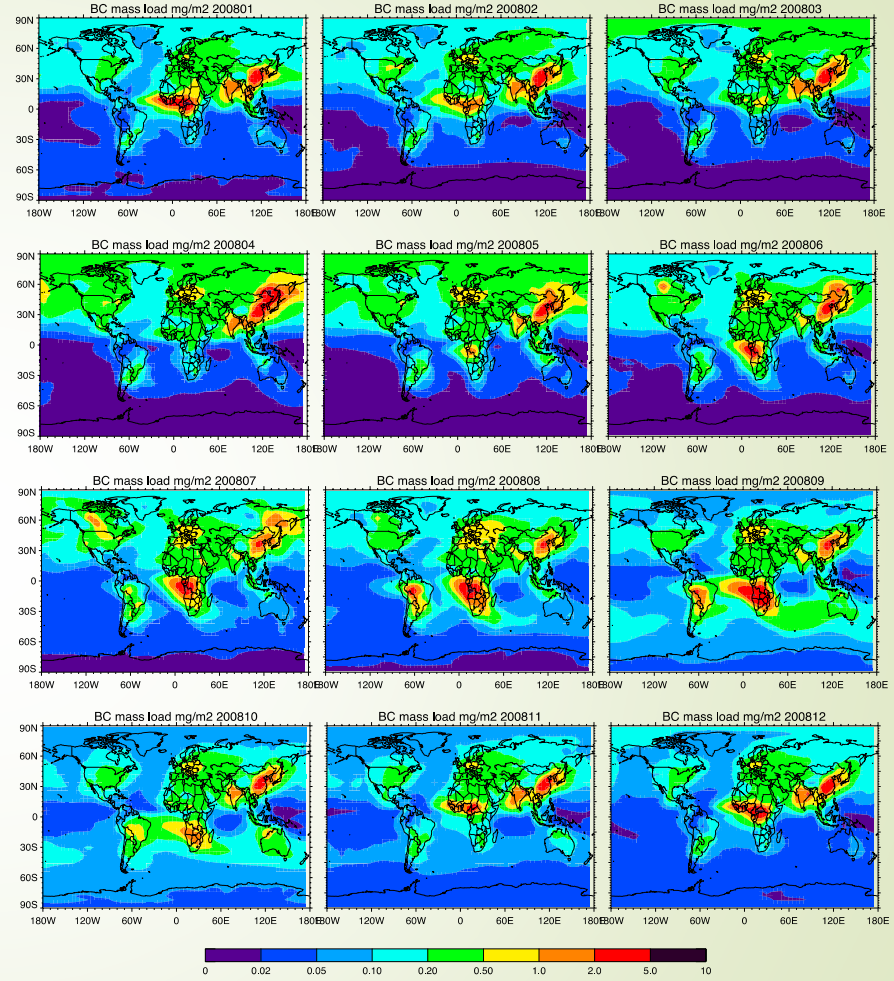
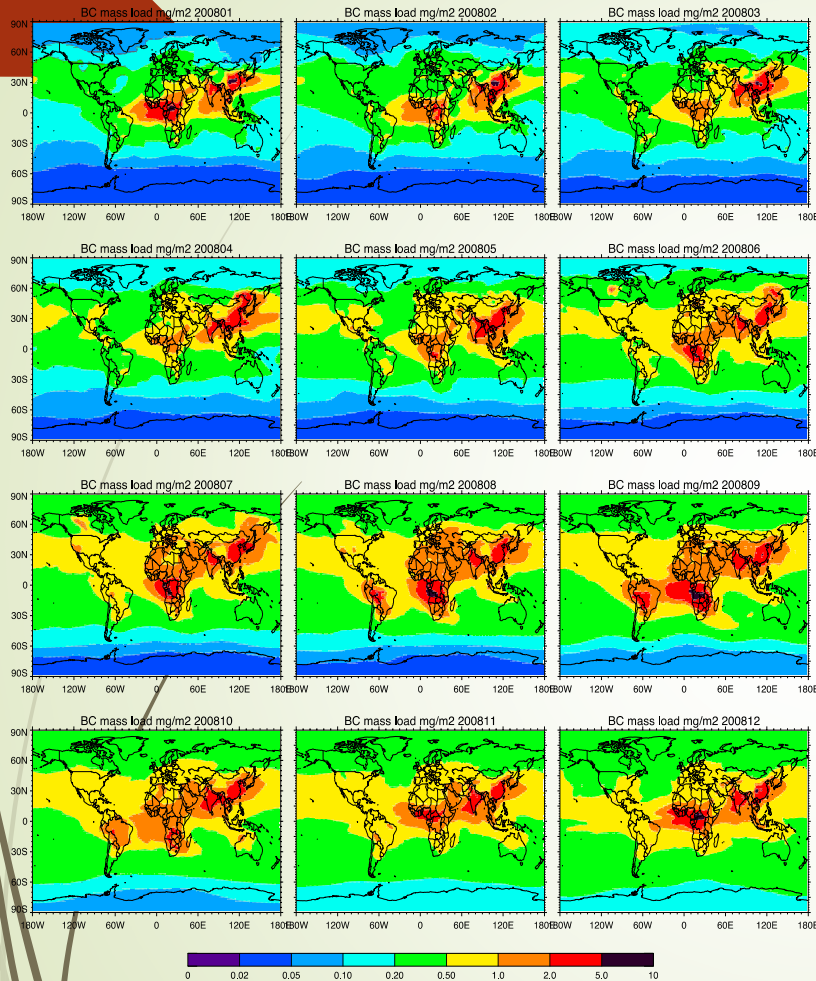
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Monthly BC load

ECHAM6-SALSA GLOFIR1

GEOSCHEM-v902 GLOFIR1



GLOFIR1 BC load can be calculated for:

- CAM5
- ECHAM6-SALSA
- GEOS5
- GesChem
- GOCART
- GISS-MATRIX
- GISS-OMA

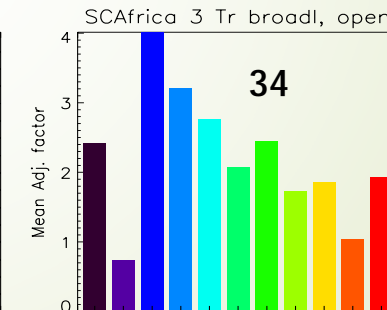
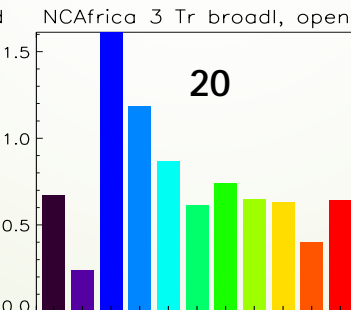
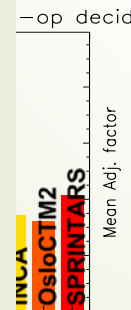
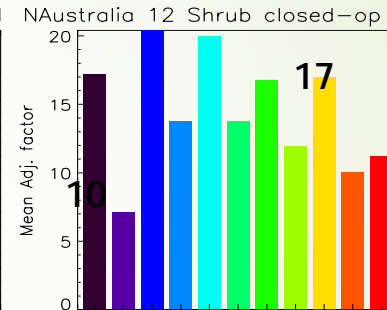
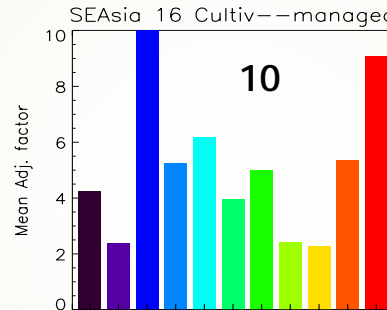
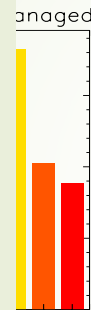
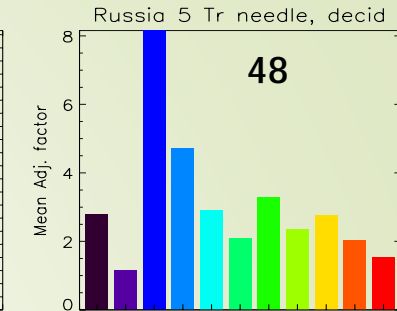
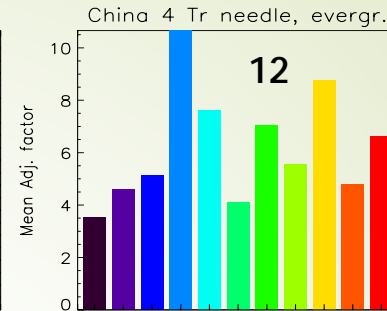
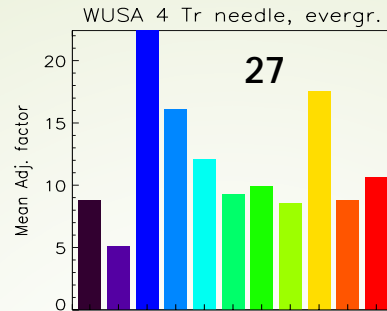
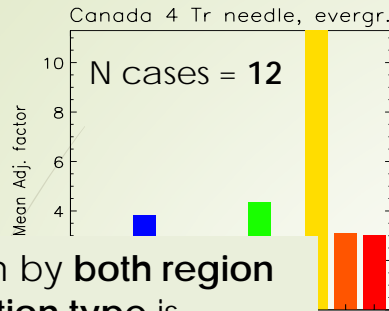
BB BC load for:

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- ECHAM6-SALSA
- GEOS5
- GOCART
- GISS-MATRIX
- GISS-OMA

In progress comparison of :

- loads,
- extinction,
- BB BC & OC lifetime,
- deposition.

BB model/sat AOD ratio in [some] regions and veg. types



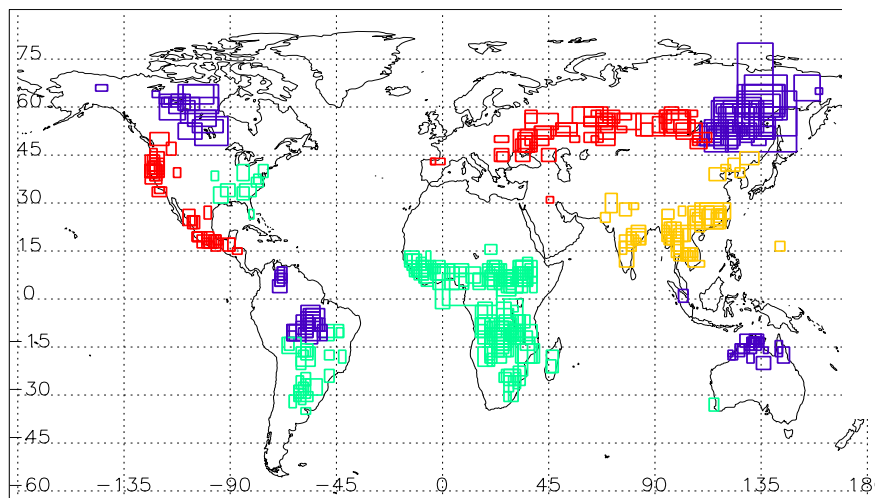
- Stratification by **both region and vegetation type** is important
- Variation of the adjustment factors within region/biome is high
- **Regionally important factors** exist that define model-to-MODIS adjustment factors
- **New stratification by 4 groups** (which are based on location and effects of small fire + emission correction-Petrenko et al., 2017)

CAM5
CAMS
ECHAM6-SALSA
ECHAM6-Ham2

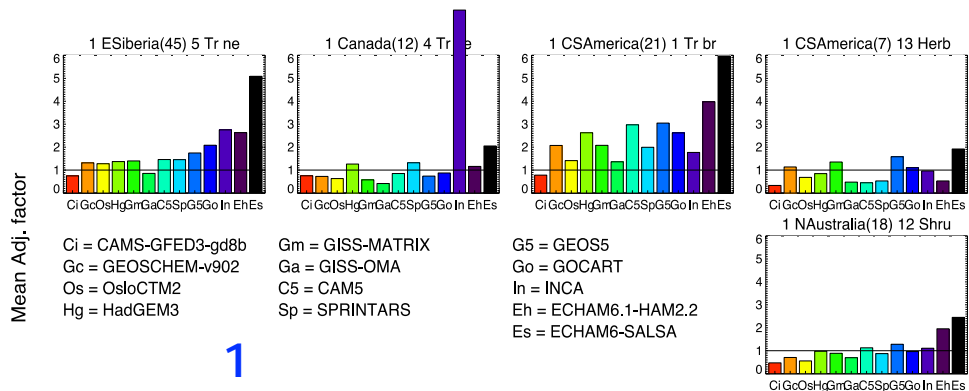
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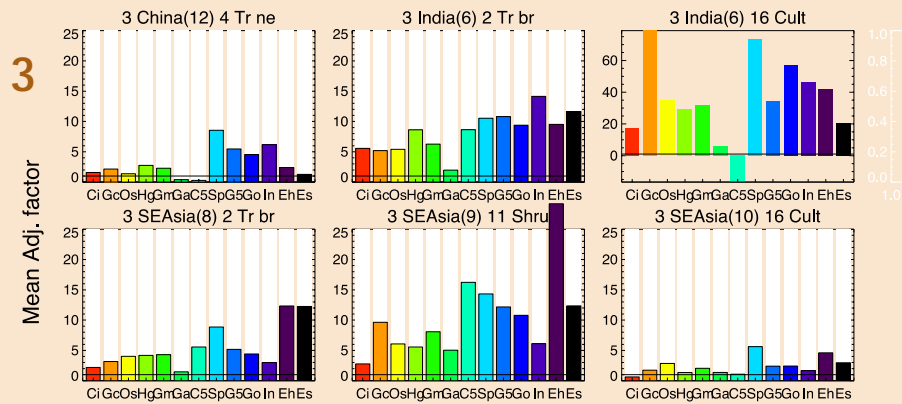
BB model/sat AOD ratio in 4 groups of regions



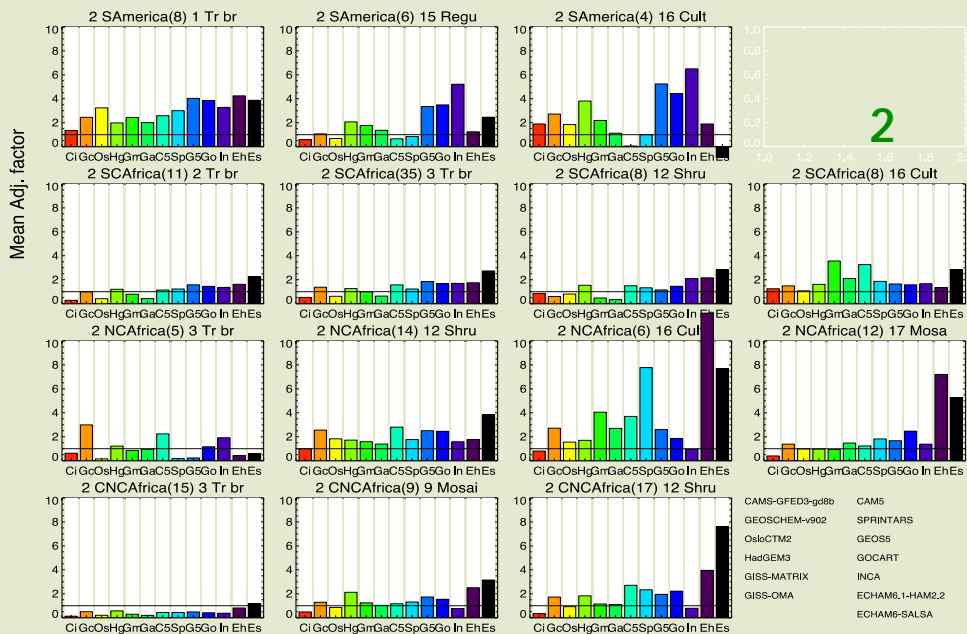
- Group 1: Large defined fires, minimal adjustment
- Group 2: Intermediate fires, emission adjustment required
- Group 3: Polluted regions, analysis inconclusive
- Group 4: Need some emission and large SF adjustment



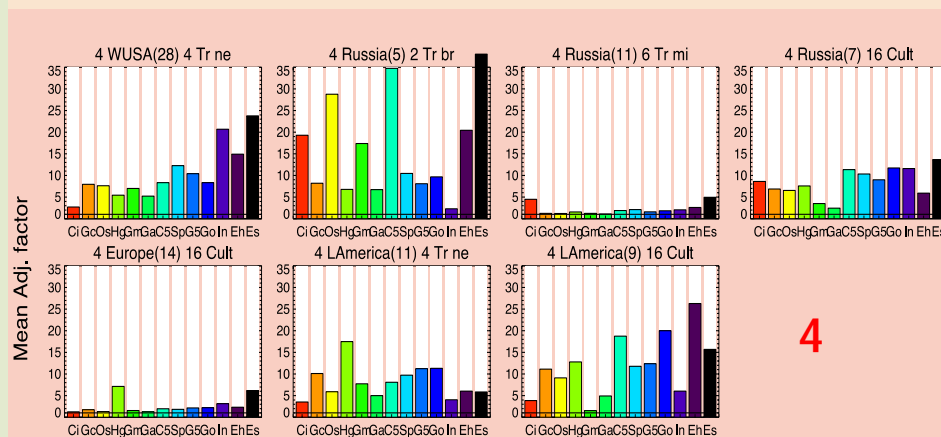
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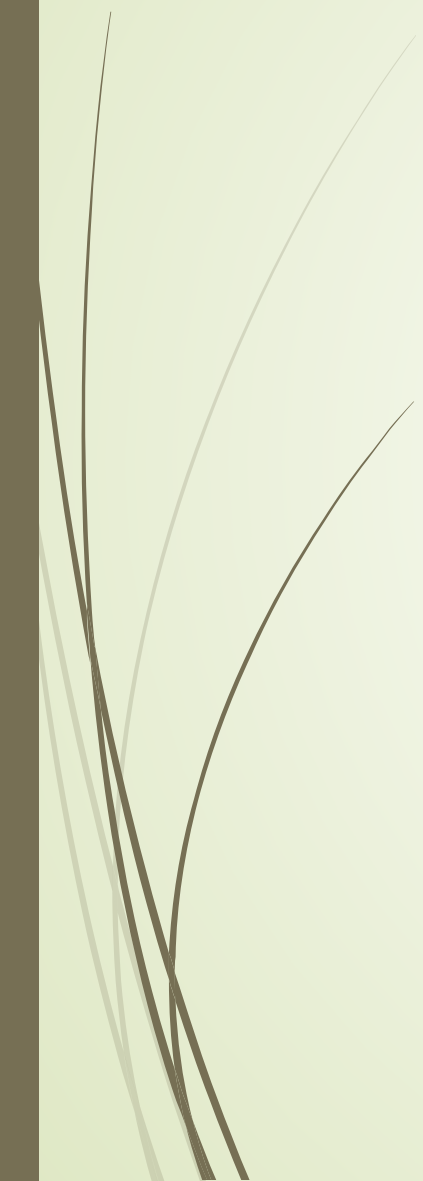
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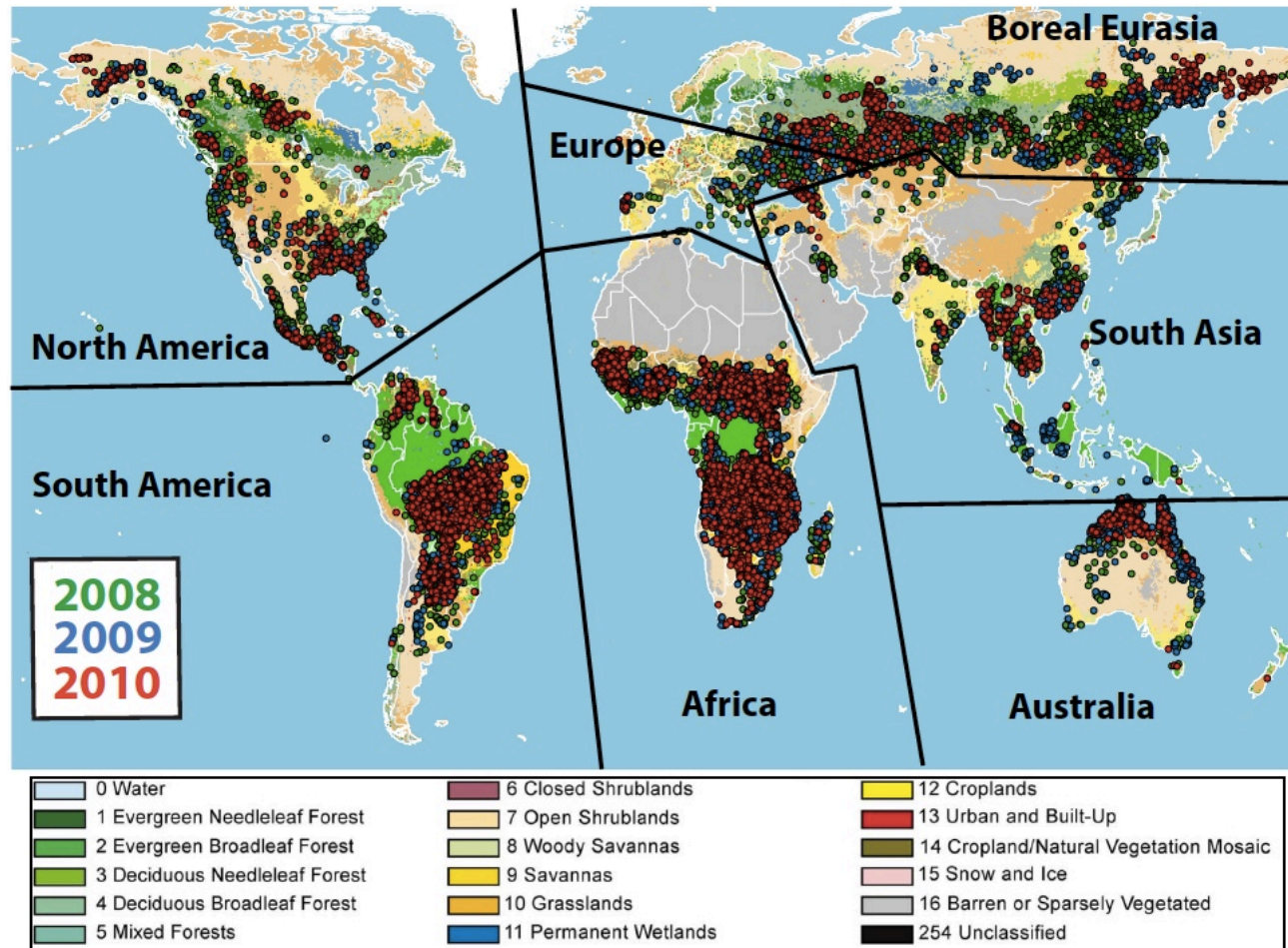
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Thank you!

- ▶ Many thanks to everyone who ran models, formatted, submitted (and re-submitted ;) output) participated in the telecon, commented on drafts and provided suggestions!
 - ▶ Final draft of the paper will be sent to co-authors soon
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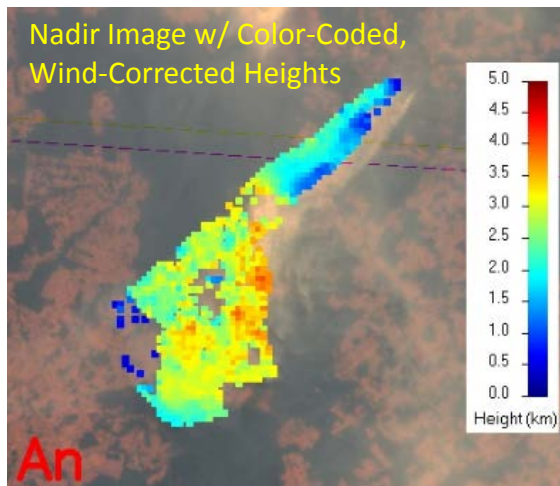
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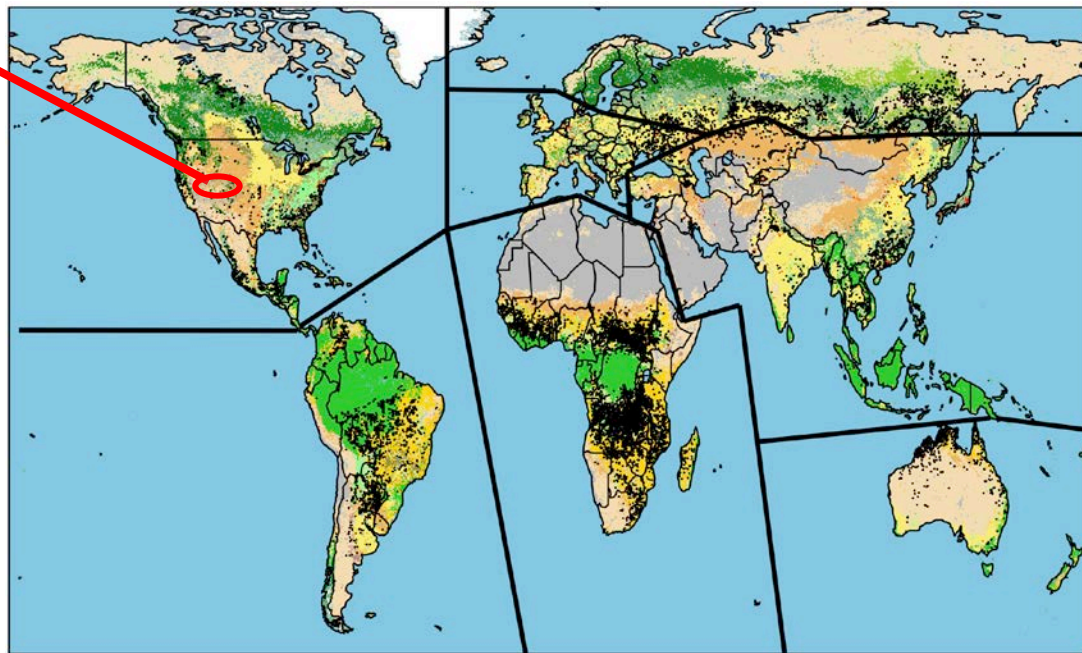
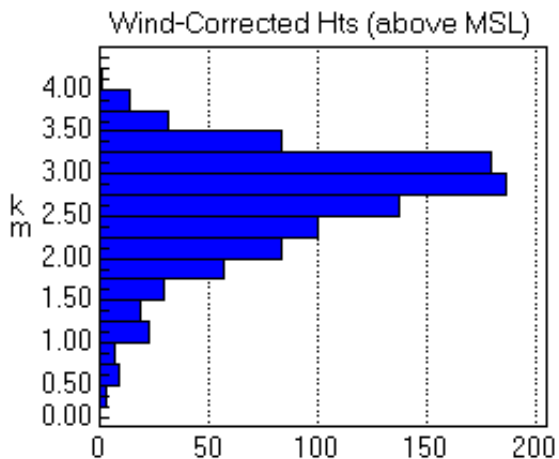
- About **23,000 smoke plumes** digitized 2008-2010 (~13,000 for 2008)
- Each plume is Operator-Processed using **MINXv4.0**, and Quality Controlled
- For N America, $\geq 4\%$ - **12%** of plumes are injected above the PBL; Boreal Forest **18%**
- Raw, graphics and summary files, and documentation are **available on-line**:

<https://misr.jpl.nasa.gov/getData/accessData/MisrMinxPlumes2/>

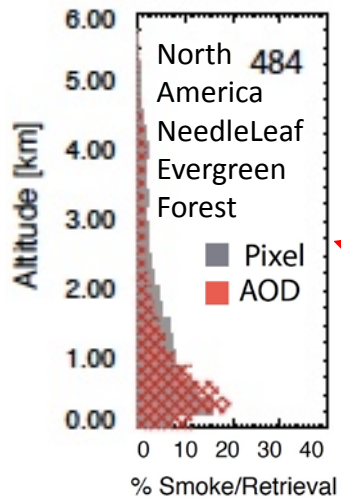
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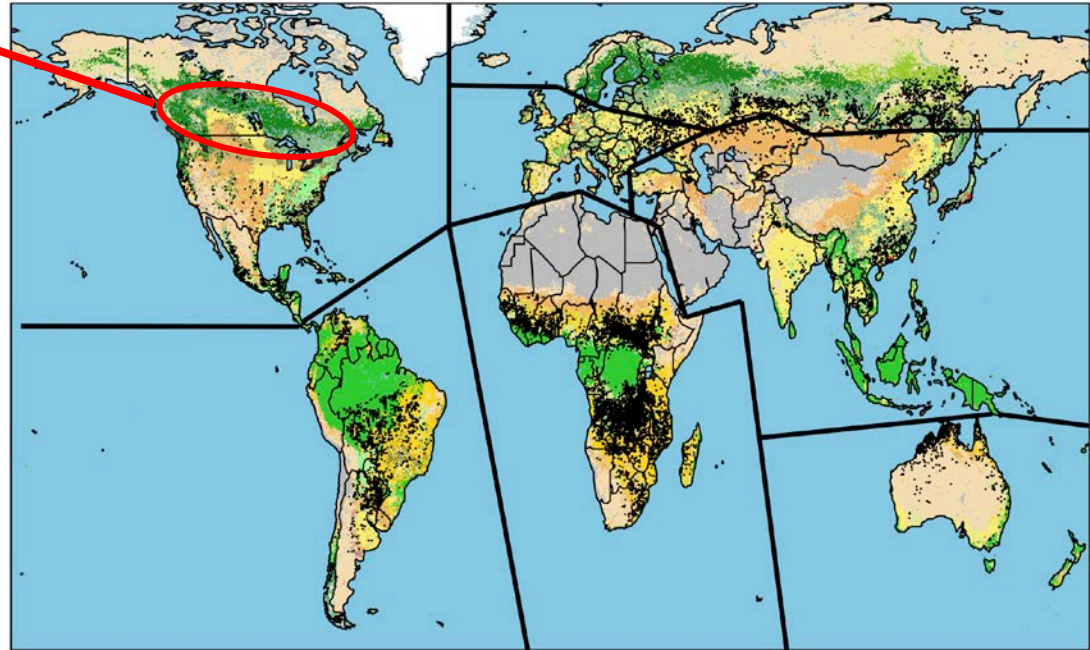
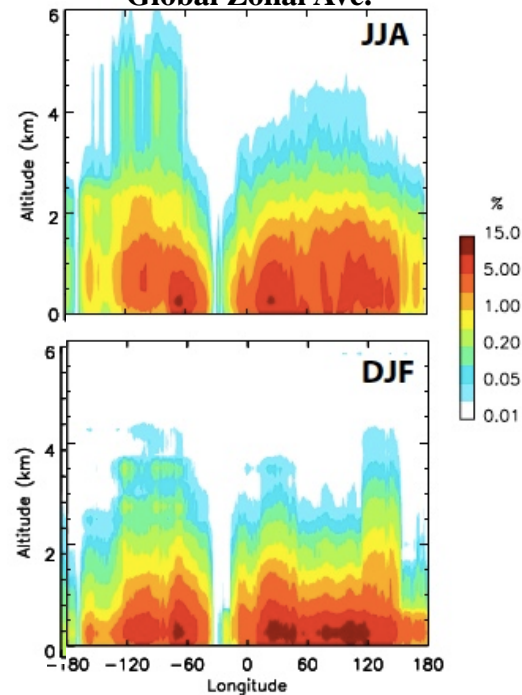
- Heights at **1.1 km Horizontal** res., **~250-500 m Vertical** res.
- Keyed to the **Elevation of Maximum Spatial Contrast**
- Parallax is corrected for proper motion (**Wind Correction**)
- Missing AOD filled w/ **max**; missing height w/ **statistical dist.**
- Both **Pixel-weighted** and **AOD-weighted** profiles derived
- Height histogram gives some **Indication of Vertical Extent**



Biomass Burning Experiment *PHASE 2:* *Fire Emission Injection Heights*



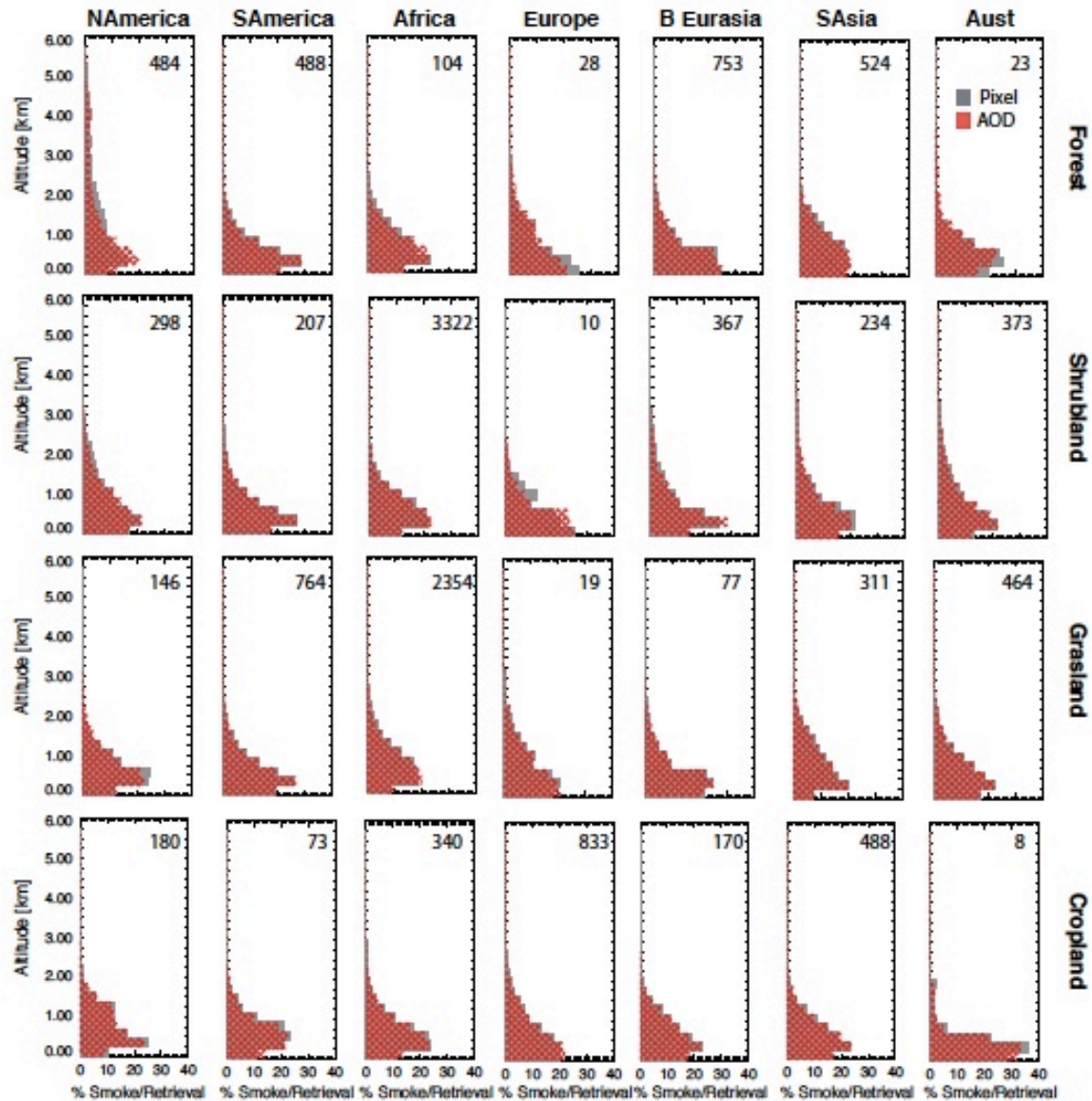
Global Zonal Ave.



- Fire emissions are *Stratified by Altitude, Region, Ecosystem, & Season*
- The cases in each stratum are *Averaged* to produce a statistical summary
- Inter-annual and/or sub-seasonal *temporal resolution* might be needed in some cases; requires detailed, regional study (e.g., Amazon)

Injection Height Vertical Distributions

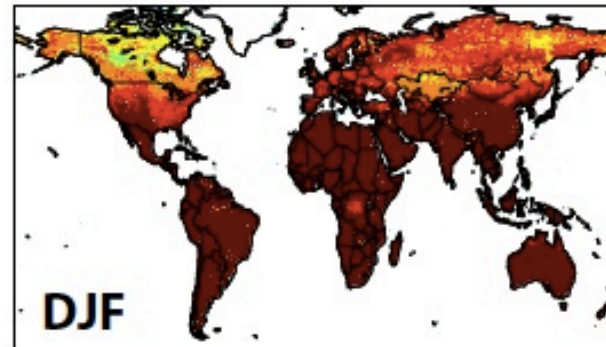
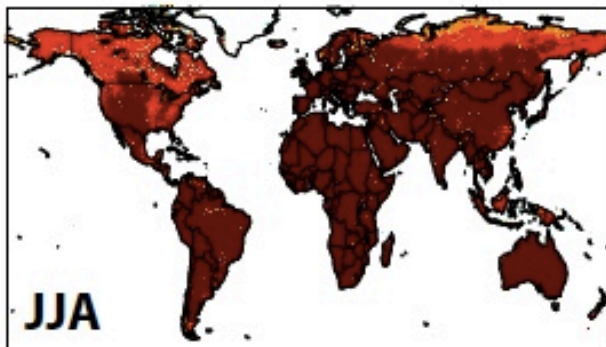
Stratified by Region and Biome



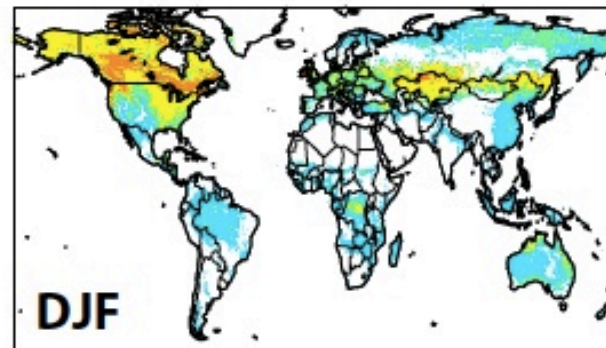
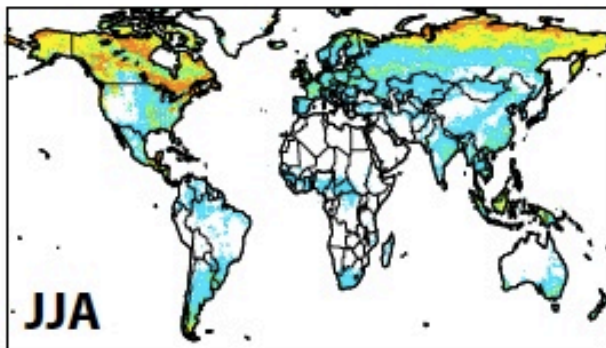
Global Distribution of Percent Injected Within/Above the PBL

Based on MERRA-2 Hourly PBL 10:00-13:00 LT

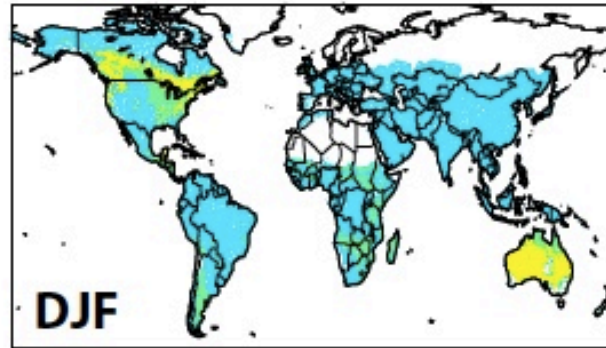
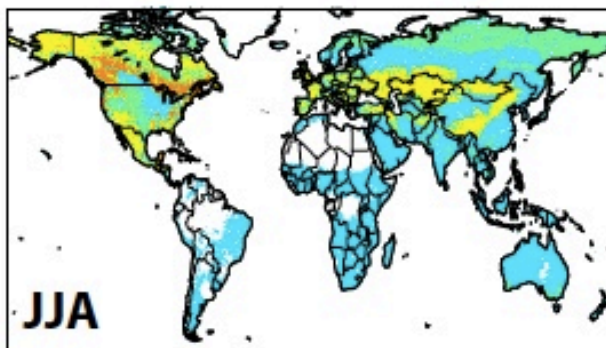
Percentage within BL



Percentage in FT



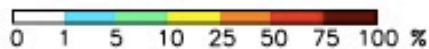
Percentage > 2km



Accounting for uncertainty
 $FT = PBL + 500 \text{ m}$

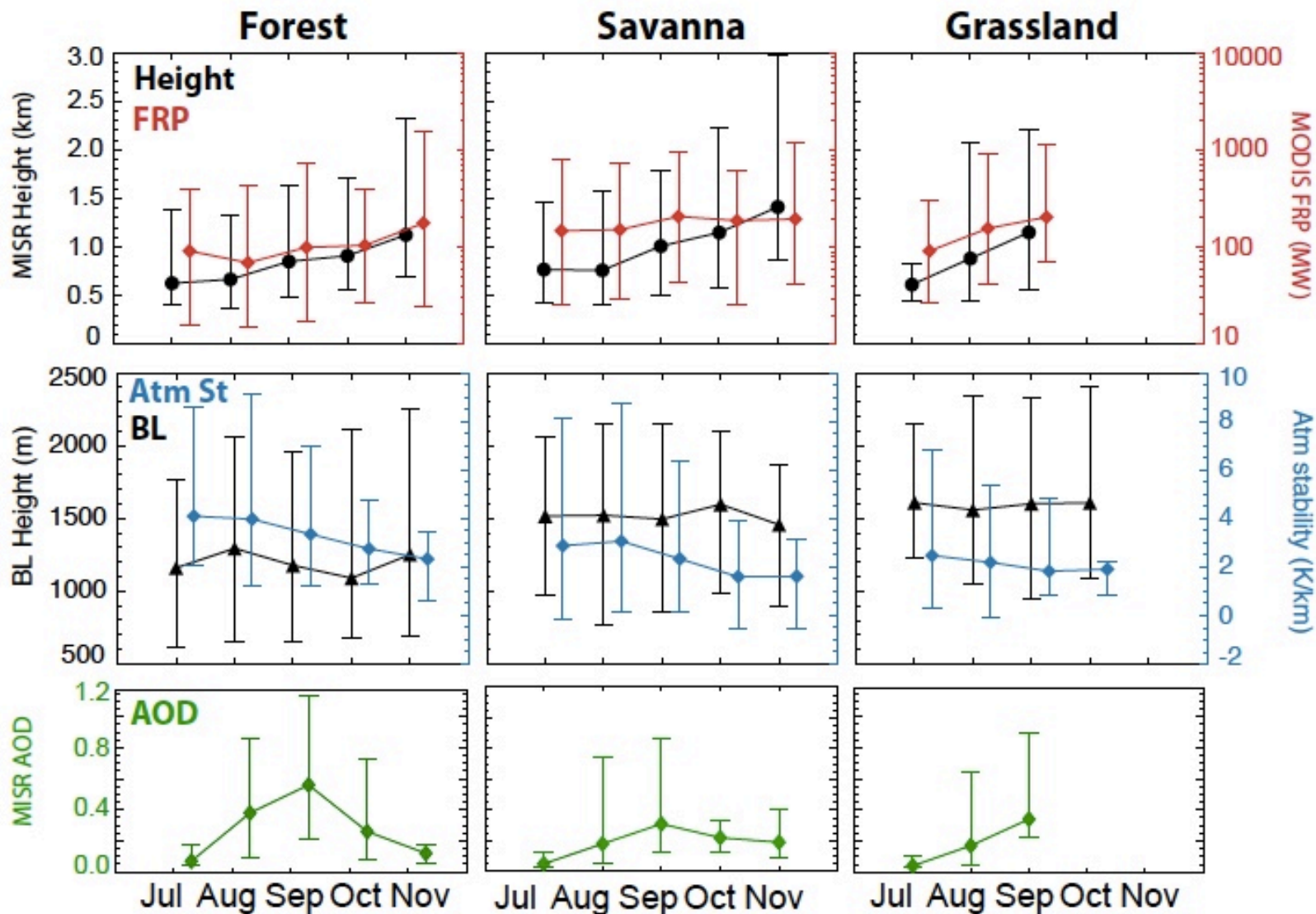
[PBL from MERRA-2]

2 km threshold avoids dependence on PBL height estimate



Amazon Plume-Height Climatology, 2005-2012

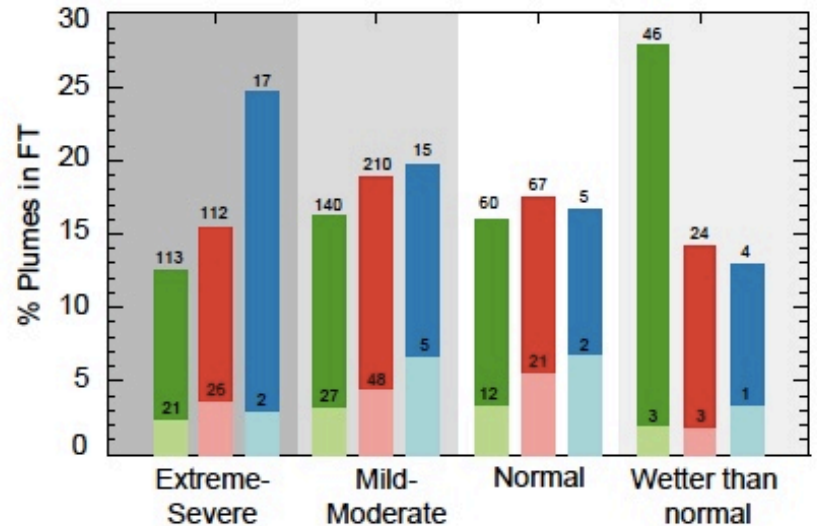
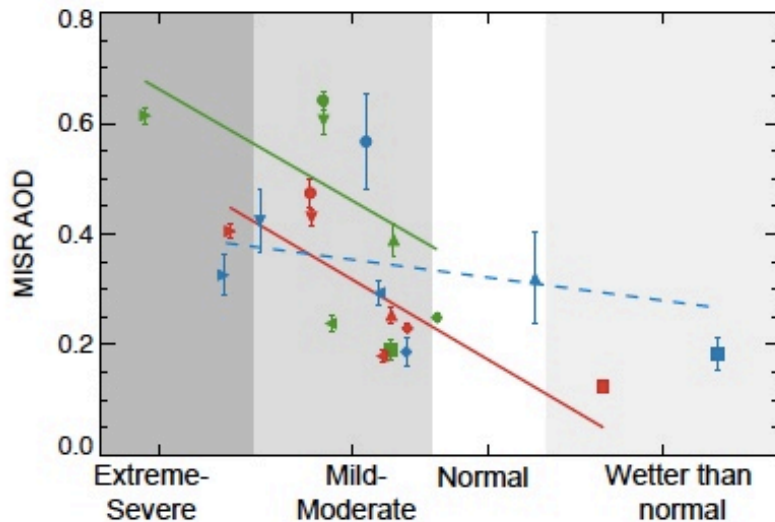
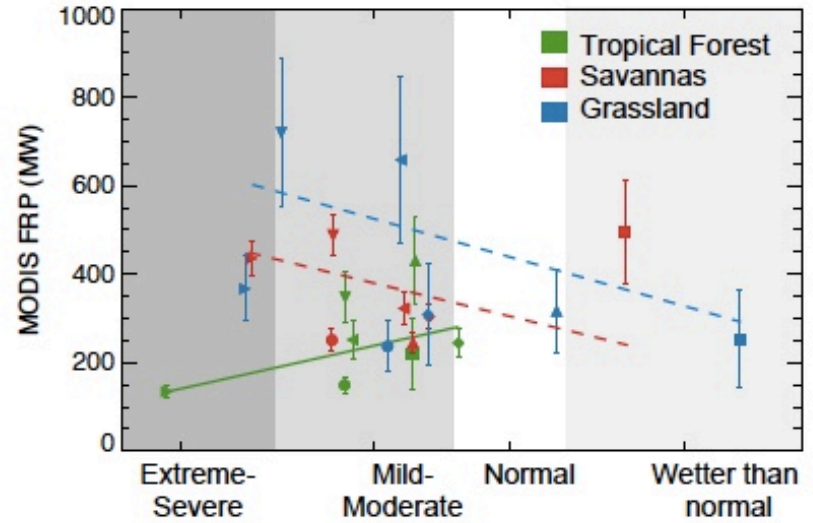
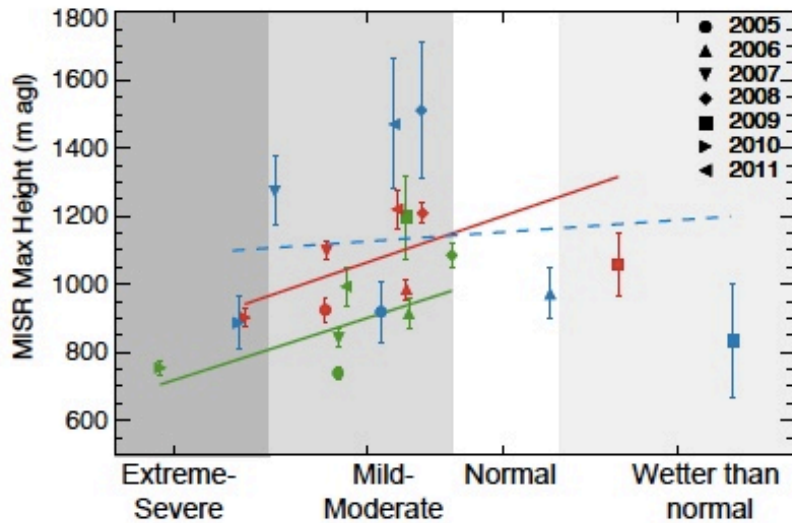
Seasonal Cycle



FRP and **Height** tend to **increase** as the fire season progresses, for all major Amazon biomes

Amazon Plume-Height Climatology, 2005-2012

Wet – Dry Year Interannual Behavior

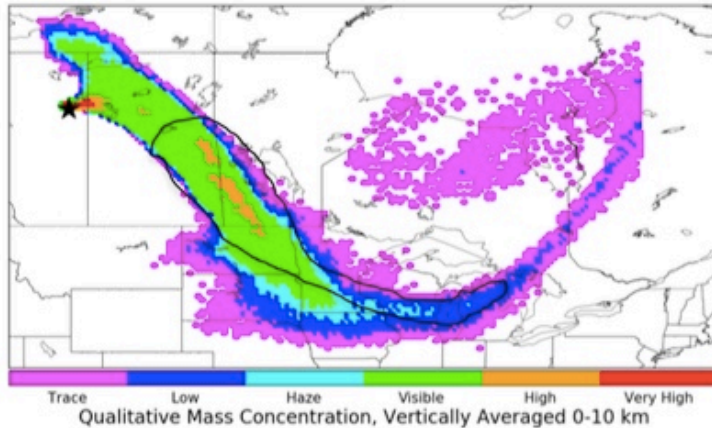


Forest and Savanna -- *Lower* plume height, *Higher* AOD in drier years, due to deeper, smoldering fires

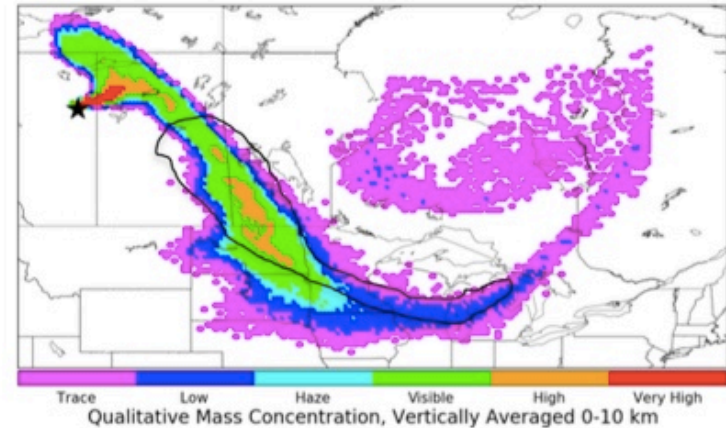
Ft. McMurray Wildfire, Alberta Canada

May 07, 2016 (Day 2) NOAA HySPLIT Model

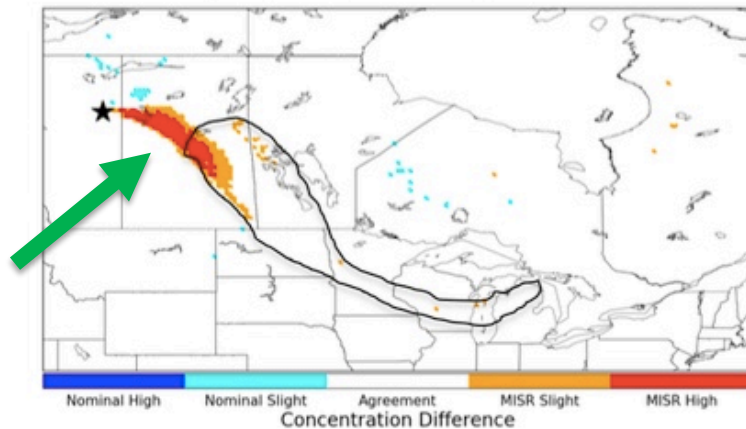
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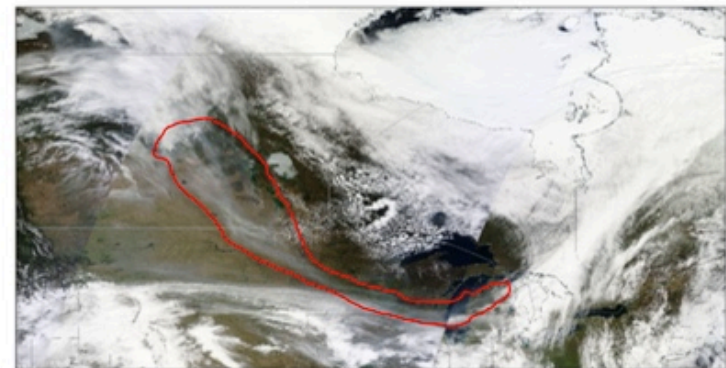
b) Nominal HYSPLIT



c) MISR - Nominal Difference

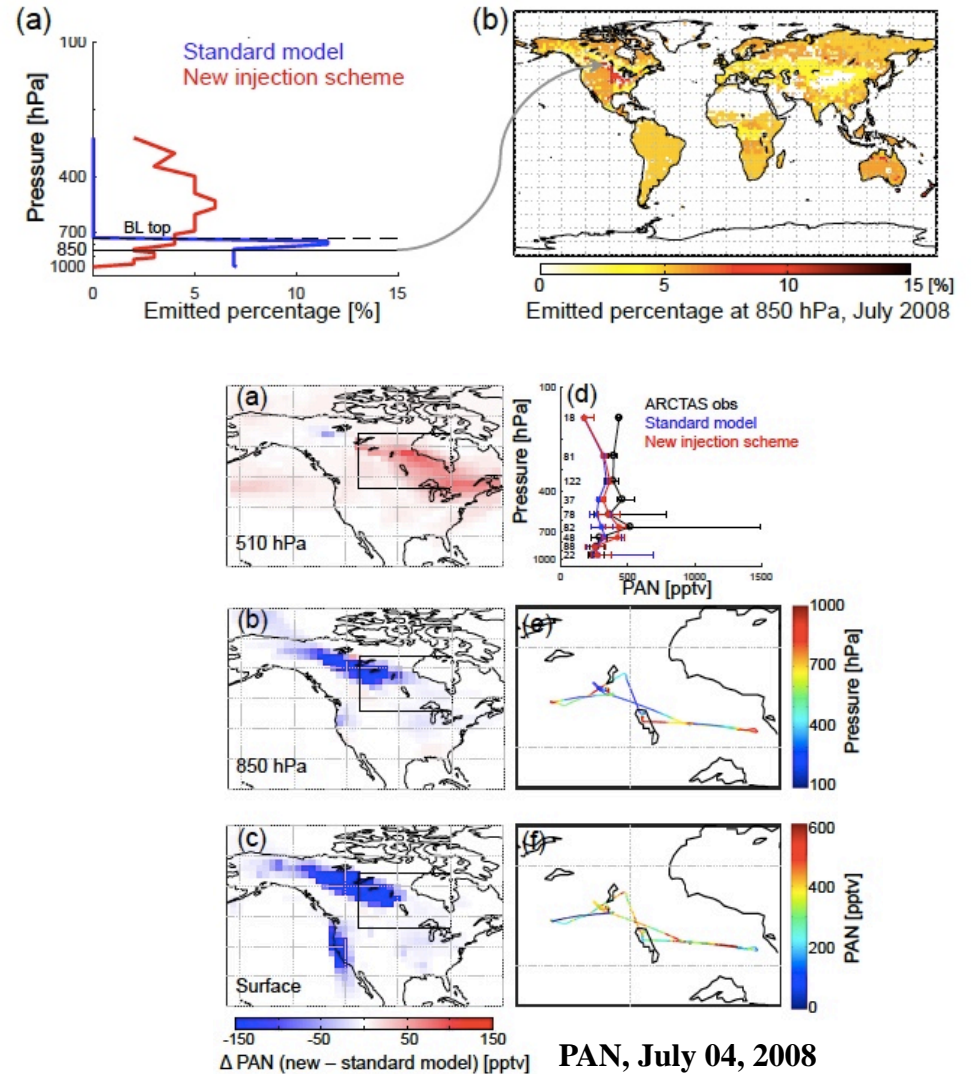
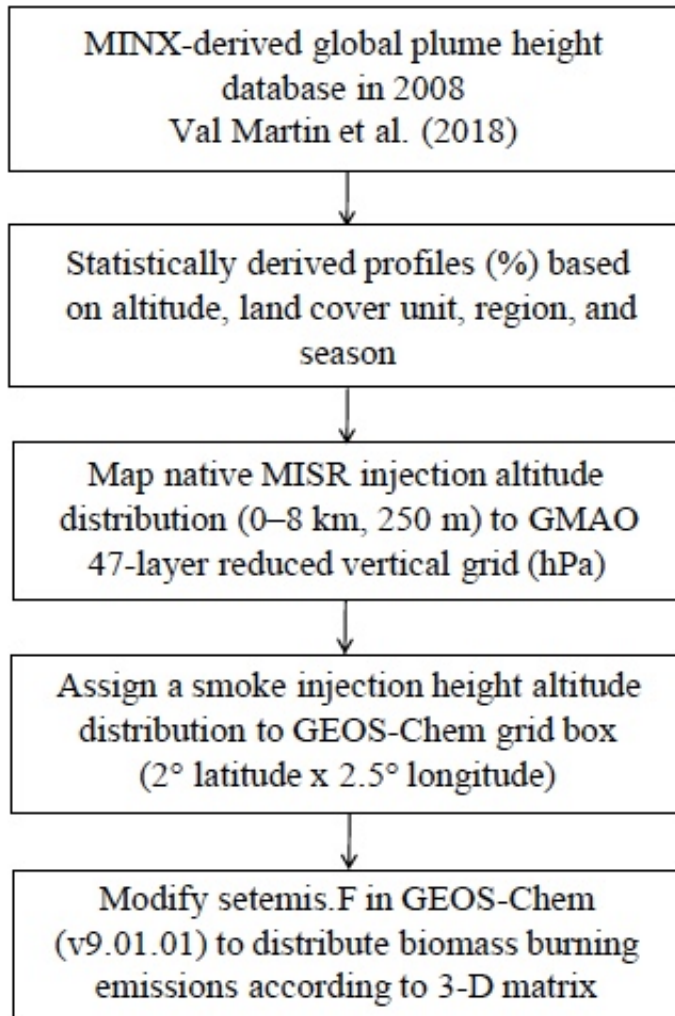


d) Terra MODIS Truecolor Scene



When the injection height is above the PBL in regions with significant wind shear, MINX-initiated simulations better represent satellite observations.

Implementation of MISR BB Injection Height in *GEOS-Chem* Model



Better PAN and CO agreement with ARCTAS aircraft using MISR injection heights

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