

Opportunities and uncertainties in the EMEP-WRF model

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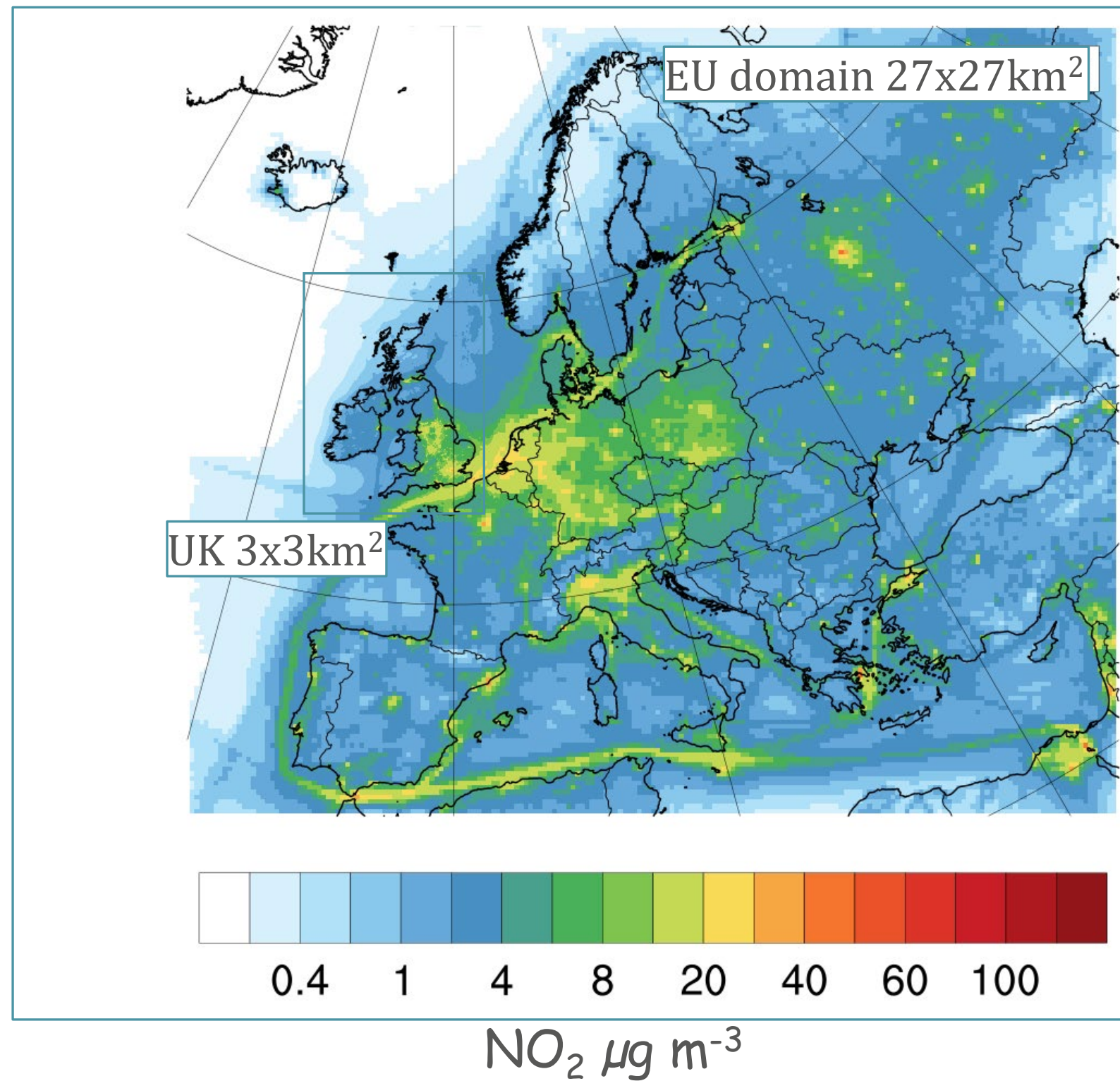
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The EMEP-WRF model



EMEP4UK specific papers
 ACP Vieno et. al, 2010, 2014, 2016, ERL Vieno et. al, 2016, GMD Ge et. al, 2021, ACP Ge et. 2022, Science Gu et al. 2021

EMEP MSC-W model
 (ACP Simpson et al., 2012) and EMEP 2023 report

WRF
 (Skamarock, W. C. et al., 2019)

- EMEP-WRF is an atmospheric chemistry transport model and it is based/identical on the EMEP MSC-W model (www.emep.int - Norwegian Meteorological office)
- Meteorology driver is the Weather Research & Forecasting model (www.wrf-model.org)
- The typical vertical domain from the surface (~45 m) up to 100hPa (~16 km)
- Globally at 1°x1° degree and with nested domains at 0.1°x0.1°
- The emissions are derived from NAEI (UK), EMEP (EU), EDGAR (global), and HTAP (Global)
- Chemistry transformation, removal processes (dry and wet) are implemented

EMEP MSC-W model
www.emep.int - <https://github.com/metno/emep-ctm>

EMEP4UK model
www.emep4uk.ceh.ac.uk

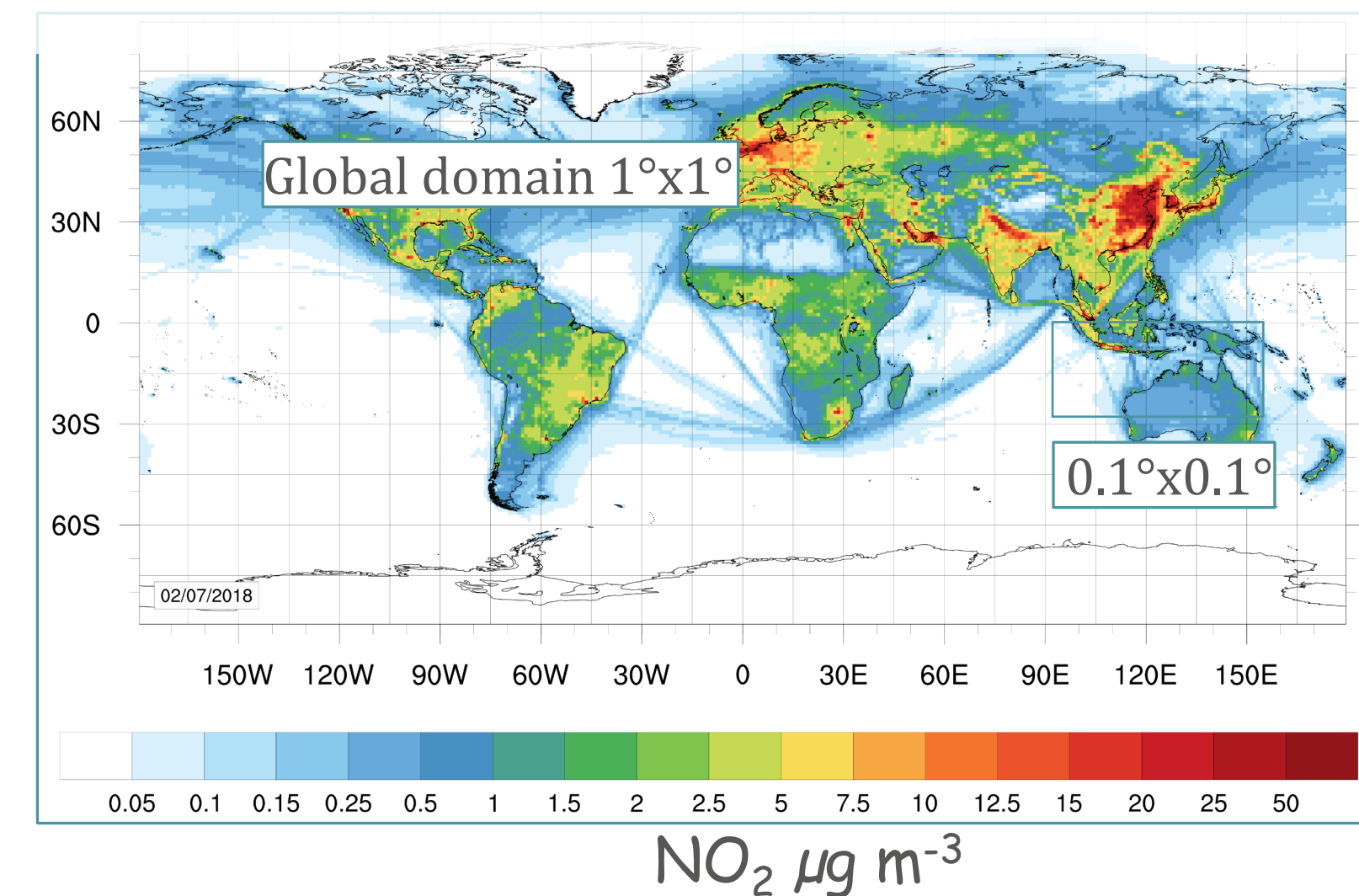
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<https://naei.beis.gov.uk/data/mapping>

EMEP emissions:
<https://www.ceip.at/webdab-emission-database/emissions-as-used-in-emep-models>

EDGAR emissions:
https://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/emissions_data_and_maps

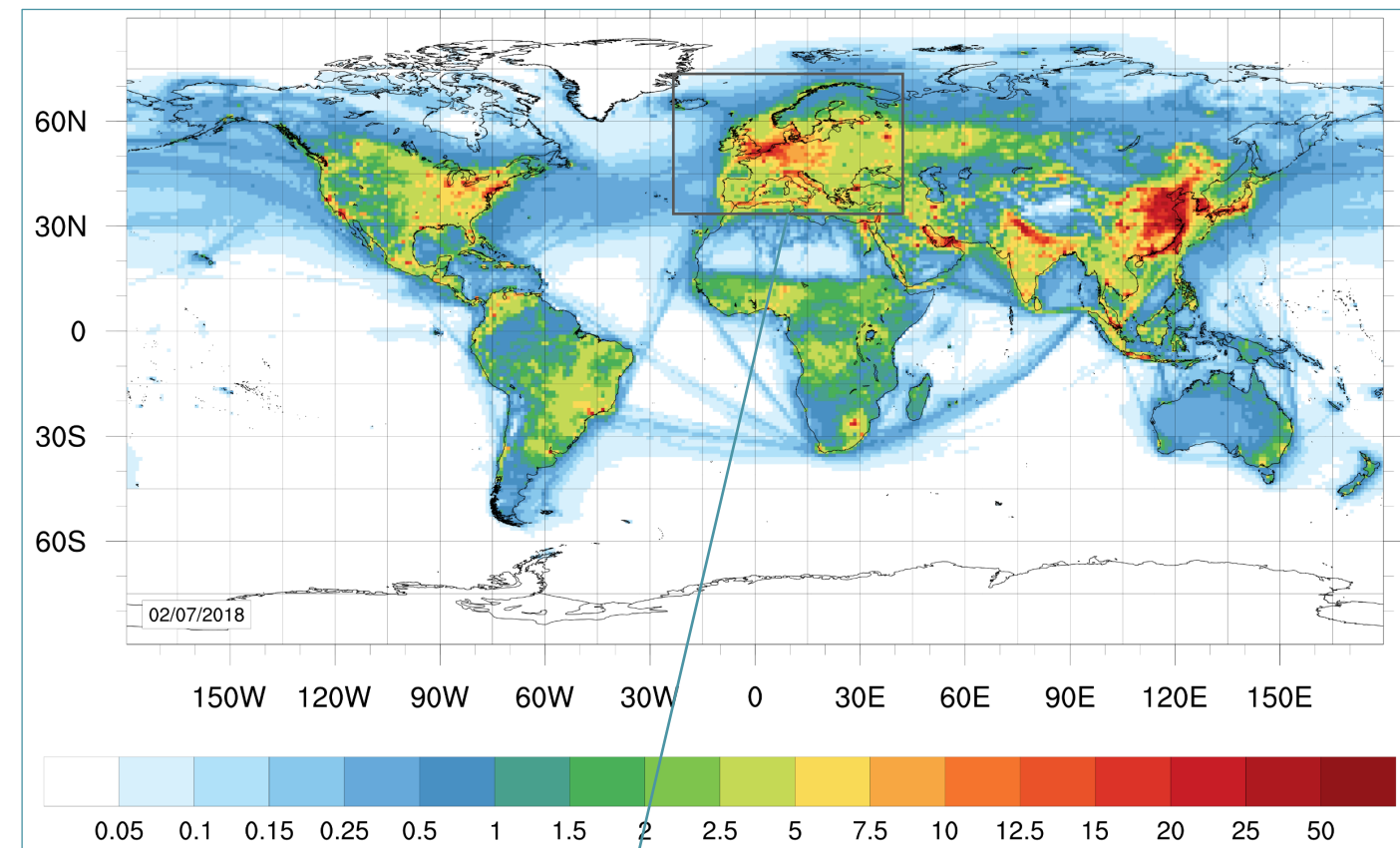
HTAP emissions:
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WRF model:
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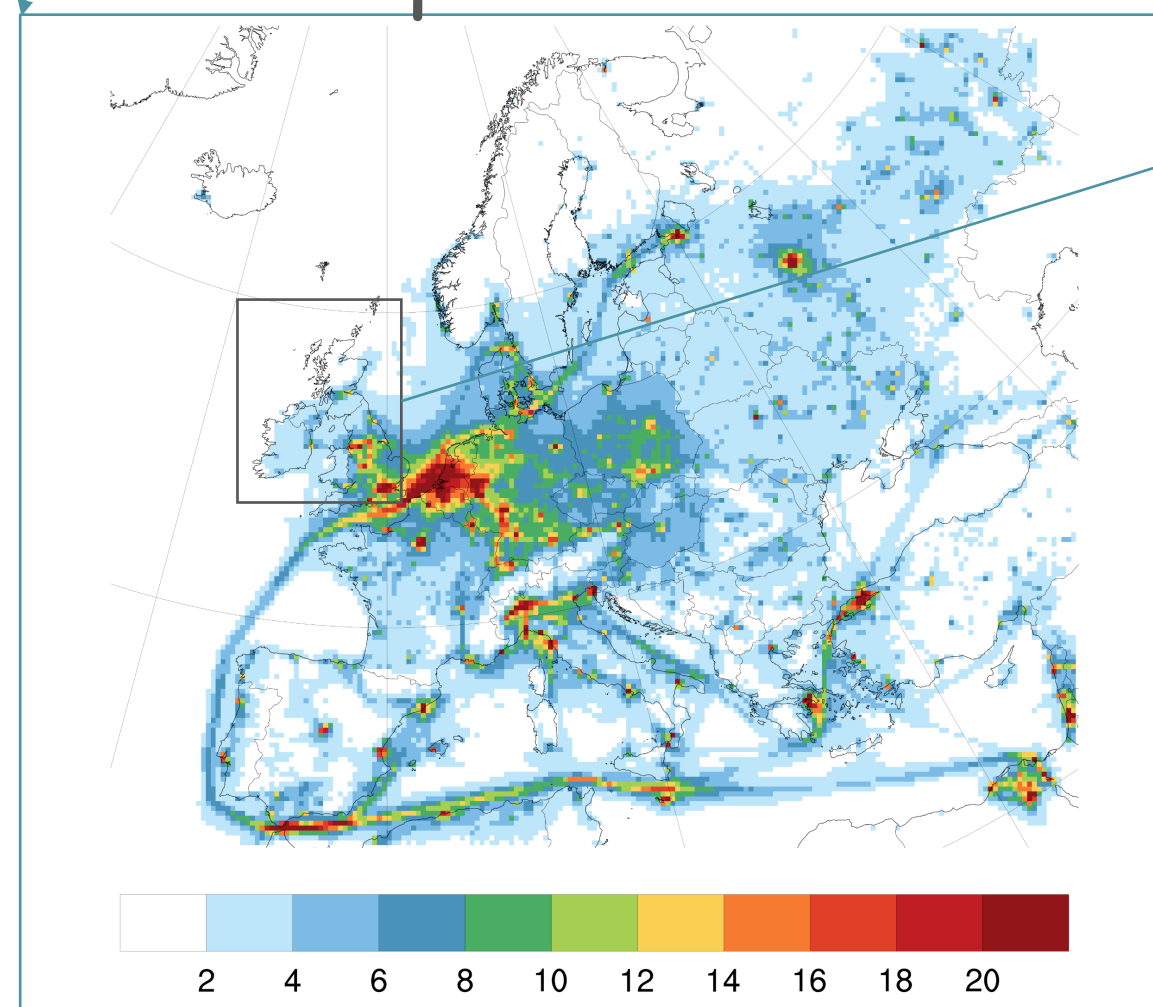


From global to urban scale modelling with the EMEP-WRF model

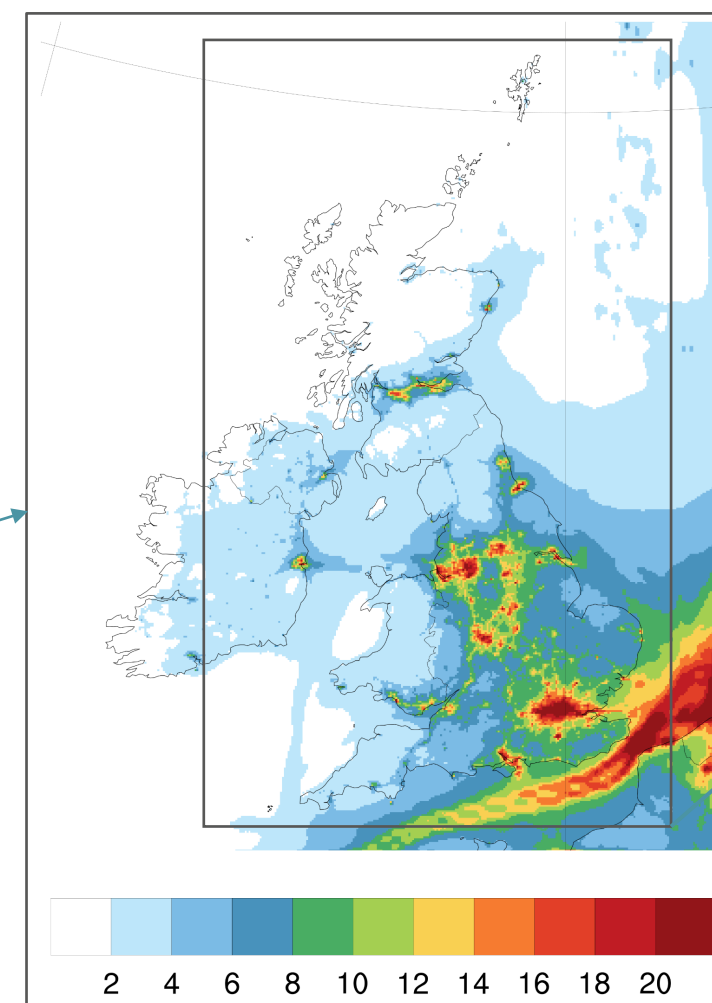
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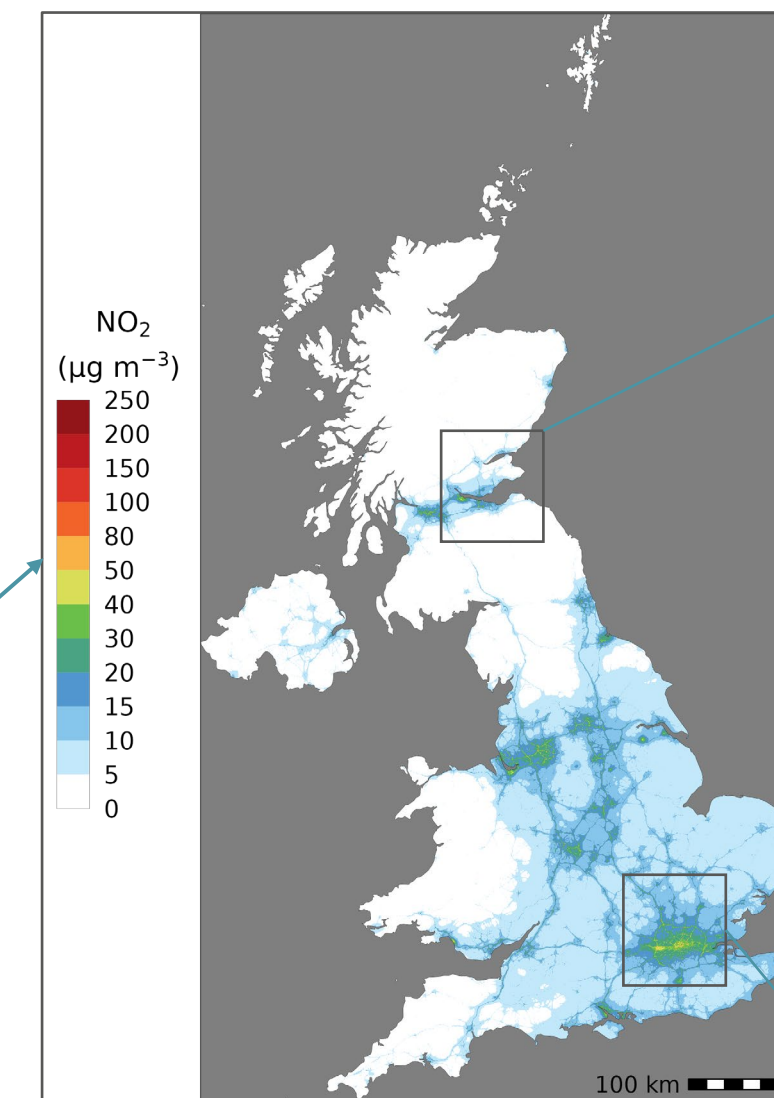
Europe 27x27km²



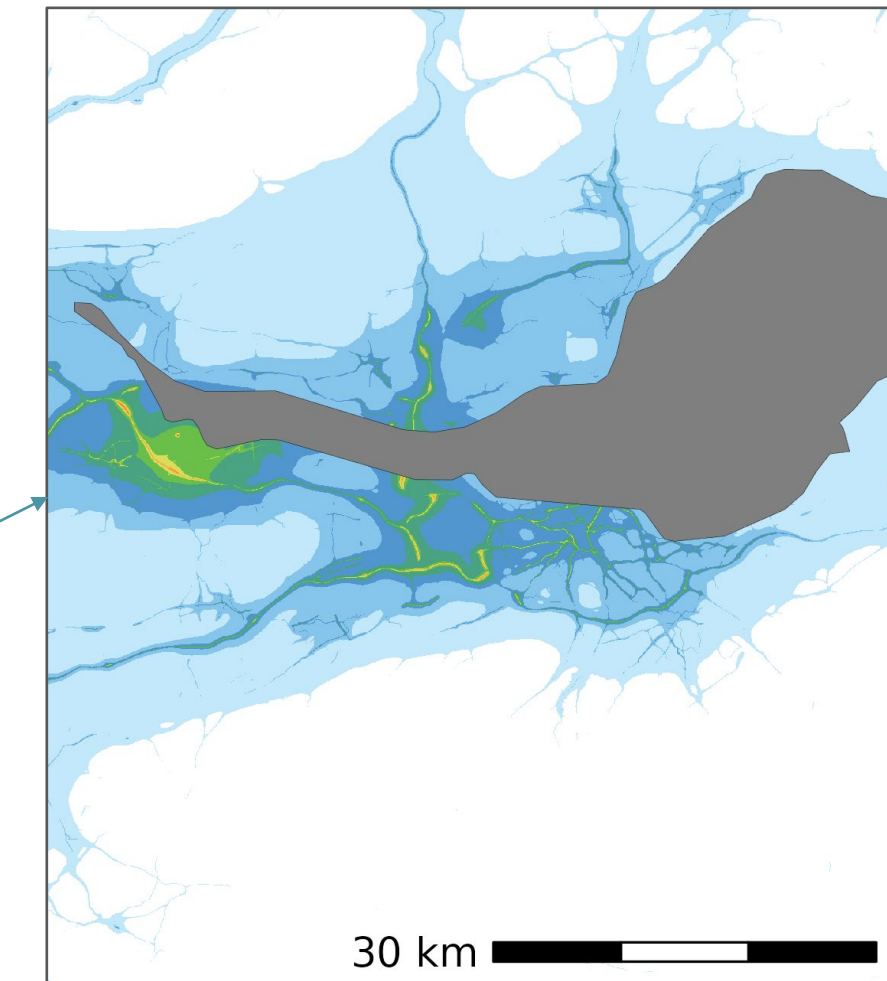
UK 3x3km²



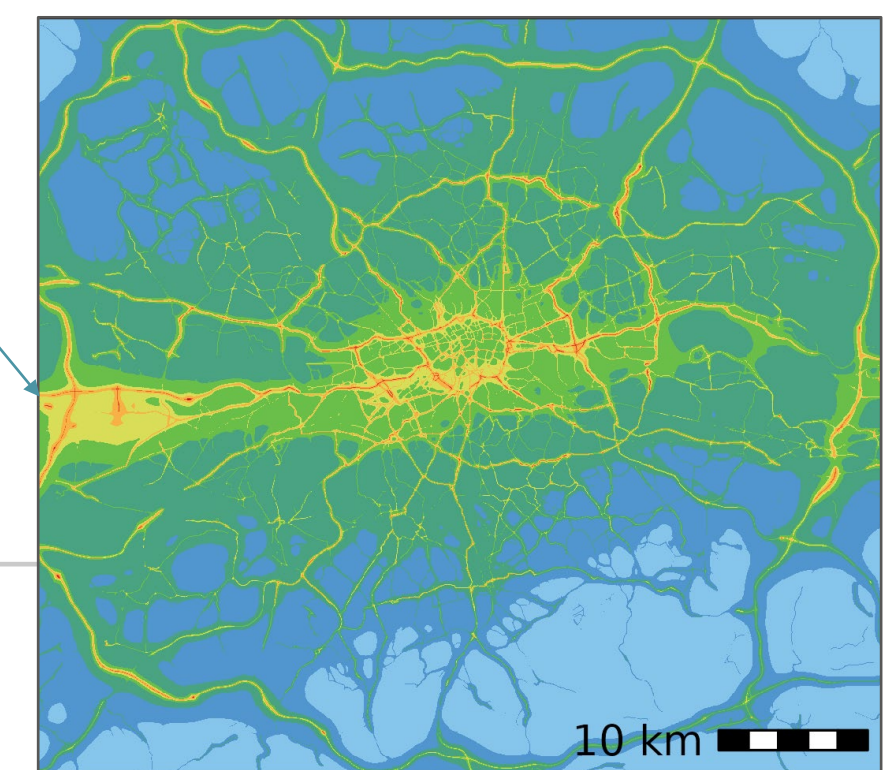
UK 50x50m²



Edinburgh 50x50m²



London 50x50m²



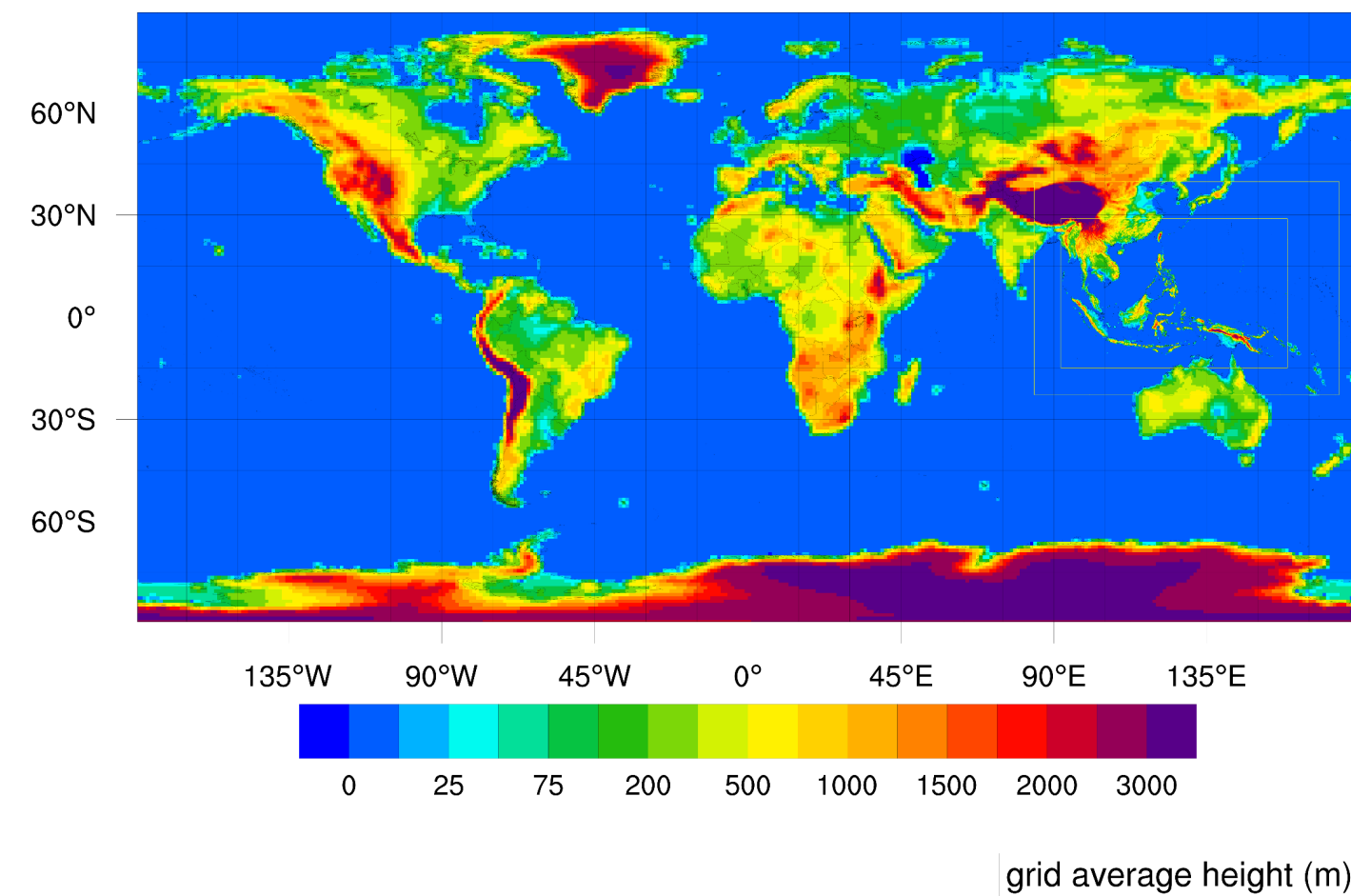
All figures shows NO₂ µg m⁻³ - different colour scale

ACTM across scales and domains

Currently, it is remarkably easy to apply a complex ACTM (EMEP, WRF-Chem, GEOS-Chem, CMAQ, etc)

- Anywhere in the world
- From historical years (e.g. ERA5 1940 up to present days) to forecast (GFS and ERA5)
- Emissions are available at remarkably spatial high res for the entire planet (EDGAR, HTAP, ECLIPSE, etc..)

But it is very difficult to assess the uncertainties in the model results



Some challenges...

- Evaluation of the WRF meteorology (we use the NOAA website)
- Which micro physics options to use in WRF, or aerosols scheme in EMEP?
- Emissions: both anthropogenic and biogenic
- Evaluation for concentrations outside the US, Europe, and perhaps China... is very difficult
- Dry deposition is difficult to evaluate for N_r compounds (and other chemical compounds)
- Ad-hoc measurement/campaigns done across the world are also a hard to gather
- In the UK, the R package OpenAir did simplify the availability of the AURN

What are the largest sources of uncertainties in ACTMs?

A personal and very incomplete list (not in any order)

- 3D (+time) meteorology (wind, rainfall, temperature, etc.)
- 3D (+time) emissions (anthropogenic and biogenic)
- Missing sources
- Human errors
- Chemical complexity (MCM, CRI vs simplified EMEP)
- Removal processes
- Model vs observations (apple and pears)
- Model resolution for specific pollutants (very important for NO_x not as much for $\text{PM}_{2.5}$)

WRF calculated meteorology

Micro Physics Options (<i>mp_physics</i>)		
Kessler Scheme	option 1	Kessler, E., 1996: On the distribution and continuity of water substance in atmospheric circulations. <i>Meteor. Monogr.</i> , 32, Amer. Meteor. Soc. doi:10.1007/978-1-935704-36-2_1
Purdue Lin Scheme	option 2	Chen, S.-H. and W.-Y. Sun, 2002: A one-dimensional time dependent cloud model. <i>J. Meteor. Soc. Japan</i> , 80(1), 99-110. doi:10.2151/jmsj.80.99
WRF Single-moment 3-class and 5-class Schemes	options 3 & 4	Hong, Song-You, Jimmy Dudhia, and Shu-Hua Chen, 2004: A revised approach to ice microphysical processes for the bulk parameterization of clouds and precipitation. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 132, 103-120. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(2004)132<0103:ARATM2.0.CO;2
Eta (Ferrier) Scheme	option 5	NOAA, cited 2001: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Changes to the NCEP Meso Eta Analysis and Forecast System: Increase in resolution, new cloud microphysics, modified precipitation assimilation, modified 3DVAR analysis. [Available online at http://www.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/mmb/mmp/eta12tbl/]
WRF Single-moment 6-class Scheme	option 6	Hong, S.-Y., and J.-O. J. Lim, 2008: The WRF single-moment 6-class microphysics scheme (WSM6). <i>J. Korean Meteor. Soc.</i> , 42, 109-151. Hong and Lim, 2008
Goddard Scheme	option 7	Tao, Wei-Kuo, Joanne Simpson, Michael McComber, 1999: An Ice-Water Saturation Adjustment. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 117, 231-235. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1999)117<0231:AIWSA2.0.CO;2
Thompson Scheme	option 8	Thompson, Gregory, Paul R. Field, Roy M. Rasmussen, William D. Hall, 2006: Explicit Forecasts of Winter Precipitation Using an Improved Bulk Microphysics Scheme. Part I: Implementation of a New Snow Parameterization. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 134, 506-515. doi:10.1175/JAS2287.1
Milbrandt-Yau Double Moment Scheme	option 9	Milbrandt, J. A., and M. K. Yau, 2005: A multimoment bulk microphysics parameterization. Part I: Analysis of the role of the spectral shape parameter. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 62, 3051-3064. doi:10.1175/JAS2324.1

Planetary Boundary Layer (PBL) Physics Options (<i>bl_pbl_physics</i>)		
Yonsei University Scheme (YSU)	option 1	Hong, Song-You, Yip-Noh, Jimmy Dudhia, 2006: A new vertical diffusion package with an explicit treatment of entrainment processes. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 134, 2319-2341. doi:10.1175/MWR3199.1
Mellor-Yamada-Janjic Scheme (MYJ)	option 2	Janjic, Zivisa I., 1994: The Step-Mountain Eta Coordinate Model: Further developments of the convection, viscous sublayer, and turbulence closure schemes. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 122, 927-945. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1994)122<0927:TSMECM3.0.CO;2
NCEP Global Forecast System Scheme	option 3	Hong, S.-Y., and H. L. Pan, 1999: Nonlocal boundary layer vertical diffusion in a medium-range forecast model. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 124, 2322-2339. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1999)124<2322:NBVLD2.0.CO;2
Quasi-normal Scale Elimination (QNSE) Scheme	option 4	Sukoriansky, S., B. Galperin, and V. Parov, 2005: Application of a new spectral model of stratified turbulence to the atmospheric boundary layer over sea ice. <i>Bound.-Layer Meteor.</i> , 117, 231-257. doi:10.1007/s10545-004-8248-4
Mellor-Yamada Nakanishi Niino (MYNN) Level 2.5 and Level 3 Schemes	options 5 & 6	Nakanishi, M., and H. Niino, 2009: An improved Mellor-Yamada level 3 model: its numerical stability and application to a regional prediction of advective fog. <i>Bound.-Layer Meteor.</i> , 119, 397-407. doi:10.1007/s10545-008-9030-8
Asymmetric		Nakanishi, M., and H. Niino, 2009: Development of an improved turbulence closure model for the atmospheric boundary layer. <i>J. Meteor. Soc. Japan</i> , 87, 989-912. doi:10.2151/jmsj.87.989
		Olson, Joseph B., Jaymes S. Kenyon, Wayne M. Angevine, John M. Brown, Mariusz Pagowski, and Kay Süsel, 2019: A Description of the MYNN-EDMF Scheme and its Coupling to Other Components in WRF-ARW. NOAA Technical Memorandum OAR GSD, 61, pp. 37. doi:10.25623/nwm-be49
		Pain, Jonathan E., 2007: A Combined Local and Nonlocal Closure Model for the Atmospheric Boundary Layer. Part I.

Cumulus Parameterization Options (<i>cu_physics</i>)		
Kain-Fritsch Scheme	option 1	Kain, John S., 2004: The Kain-Fritsch convective parameterization: An update. <i>J. Appl. Meteor.</i> , 43, 170-181. doi:10.1175/JAP04012004.043<0170:TKCPA2.0.CO;2
Moisture-advection-based Trigger for Kain-Fritsch Cumulus Scheme	kfets_trigger = 2	Ma, Lei-Ming, and Zhe-Min Tan, 2009: Improving the behavior of the cumulus parameterization for tropical cyclone prediction: Convection trigger. <i>Atmos. Res.</i> , 92, 190-211. doi:10.1016/j.atmosres.2008.09.022
RH-dependent Additional Perturbation to option 1 for the Kain-Fritsch Scheme	kfets_trigger = 3	
Betts-Miller-Janjic Scheme	option 2	Janjic, Zivisa I., 1994: The Step-Mountain Eta Coordinate Model: Further developments of the convection, viscous sublayer, and turbulence closure schemes. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 122, 927-945. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1994)122<0927:TSMECM3.0.CO;2
Grell-Freitas Ensemble Scheme	option 3	Grell, G. A. and Freitas, S. R., 2014: A scale and aerosol aware stochastic convective parameterization for weather and air quality modeling. <i>Atmos. Chem. Phys.</i> , 14, 5233-5250. doi:10.5194/acp-14-5233-2014. Grell and Freitas, 2014
Old Simplified Arakawa-Schubert Scheme	option 4	Pan, H. L., and W. S. Wu., 1995: Implementing a mass flux convective parameterization package for the NMC medium range forecast model. <i>NMC office note</i> , 409.40, 20-23. Pan et al., 1995
Grell 3D Ensemble Scheme	option 5	Grell, Georg A., 1993: Prognostic Evaluation of Assumptions Used by Cumulus Parameterizations. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 121, 764-787. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1993)121<0764:PEGALB>2.0.CO;2
		Grell, G. A. D. Devenyi, 2002: A generalized approach to parameterizing convection combining ensemble and data assimilation techniques. <i>Geophys. Res. Lett.</i> , 29, 1693. doi:10.1029/2002GL015311

Shortwave (<i>ra_sw_physics</i>) and Longwave (<i>ra_lw_physics</i>) Options		
Dudhia Shortwave Scheme	sw option 1	Dudhia, J., 1989: Numerical study of convection observed during the Winter Monsoon Experiment using a mesoscale two-dimensional model. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 46, 3077-3107. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1989)046<3077:NSOCOD>2.0.CO;2
RRTM Longwave Scheme	lw option 1	Mlawer, Eli J., Steven J. Taubman, Patrick D. Brown, M. J. Iacono, and S. A. Clough, 1997: Radiative transfer for inhomogeneous atmospheres: RRTM, a validated correlated-k model for the longwave. <i>J. Geophys. Res.</i> , 102, 10663-10682. doi:10.1029/97JD00237
		Chou M.-D., and M. J. Suarez, 1994: An efficient thermal infrared radiation parameterization for use in general circulation models. <i>NASA Tech. Memo.</i> 104696, 3, 85pp.

Shortwave and Longwave

New Goddard Shortwave and Longwave Schemes	lw/sw option 5	Chou, M. D., and M. J. Suarez, 1999: A solar radiation parameterization for atmospheric studies. <i>NASA Tech. Memo.</i> 104606, 15, 40 pp.
Fu-Liou-Gu Shortwave and Longwave Schemes	lw/sw option 7	Gu, Y., Liou, K. N., Ou, S. C., and Fovell, R., 2011: Cirrus cloud simulations using WRF with improved radiation parameterization and increased vertical resolution. <i>J. Geophys. Res.</i> , 116, D08119. doi:10.1029/2010JD014874
RRTM-K Shortwave and Longwave Schemes	lw/sw option 14	Beek, Sunghye, 2017: A revised radiation package of G-packed McICA and two-stream approximation: Performance evaluation in a global weather forecasting model. <i>J. Adv. Model. Earth Syst.</i> , 9. doi:10.1002/2017MS000994
Held-Suarez Relaxation Longwave Scheme	sw option 31	
GFDL Shortwave and Longwave Schemes	lw/sw option 99	Fels, Stephen B., and M. D. Schwarzkopf, 1981: An efficient, accurate algorithm for calculating CO2 15 μm band cooling rates. <i>J. Geophys. Res.</i> , 86, 1205-1232. doi:10.1029/JC086iC06p1205

and more....

Micro physics

Planetary boundary layers

Cumulus Parameterizations

WRF model available options, for microphysics, PBL, Cumulus, shortwave, ...
 WRF Physics Suites may be the way forward...?
 Nudging, if so what to nudge, or full data assimilation 4DVAR?

5-class and 6-class Schemes	options 14 & 16	
NSLL 2-moment Scheme and 2-moment Scheme with CCN Prediction	options 17 & 18	Mansell, E. R., C. L. Ziegler, and E. C. Bruning, 2010: Simulated electrification of a small thunderstorm with two-moment bulk microphysics. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 67, 171-194. doi:10.1175/2009JAS2895.1
NSLL 1-moment 7-class Scheme	option 19	This is a single-moment version of the NSLL 2-moment scheme (see above). No paper is available yet for this scheme.
NSLL 1-moment 6-class Scheme	option 21	Gilmore, Matthew S., Jerry M. Straka, and Erik N. Rasmussen, 2004: Precipitation uncertainty due to variations in precipitation particle parameters within a simple microphysics scheme. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 132, 2610-2627. doi:10.1175/MWR2610.1
WRF Single Moment and Double Moment 7-class Schemes	options 24 & 26	Bae, S.-Y., Hong, S.-Y., & Tao, W.-K., 2018: Development of a single-moment cloud microphysics scheme with prognostic hail for the Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) model. <i>Asia-Pac. J. Atmos. Sci.</i> doi:10.1007/s27131-018-0068-3
Aerosol-aware & Hail/Graupel/Aerosol Thompson Schemes	options 28 & 38	Thompson, Gregory, and Trude Eidhammer, 2014: A study of aerosol impacts on clouds and precipitation development in a large winter cyclone. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 71, 10, 3939-3958. doi:10.1175/JAS-D-13-0306.1
HUJI SBM (Fast)	option 30	Khain, A., B. Lynn, and J. Dudhia, 2010: Aerosol effects on intensity of landfalling hurricanes as seen from simulations with the WRF model with spectral bin microphysics. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 67, 395-394. doi:10.1175/2009JAS3210.1
HUJI SBM (Full)	option 32	Khain, A., A. Pokrovsky, M. Pinsky, A. Seifert, and V. Phillips, 2004: Simulation of effects of atmospheric aerosols on deep turbulent convective clouds using a spectral microphysics mixed-phase cumulus cloud model. Part I: model description and possible applications. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 61, 2993-2992. doi:10.1175/JAS-3350.1
P3	options 50, 51, 52	Morrison, Hugh, and Jason A. Milbrandt, 2015: Parameterization of cloud microphysics based on the prediction of bulk ice particle properties. Part I: Scheme description and idealized tests. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 72, 287-311. doi:10.1175/JAS-D-14-0068.1
Jensen ISHMAEL Scheme	option 55	Jensen, A. A., J. Y. Harrington, H. Morrison, and J. A. Milbrandt, 2017: Predicting ice shape evolution in a bulk microphysics model. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 74, 2091-2104. doi:10.1175/JAS-D-16-0350.1
National Taiwan University (NTU) Scheme	option 56	Tsai, Tzu-Chin, and Jen-Ping Chen: Multimoment ice bulk microphysics scheme with consideration for particle shape and apparent density. Part I: Methodology and idealized simulation. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 77-8, 1821-1850. doi:10.1175/JAS-D-18-0129.1

Grenier-Bretherton-McCaa Scheme	option 12	Uremer, merve, and Christophers S. Bretherton, 2011: A moist PBL parameterization for large-scale models and its application to subtropical cloud-topped marine boundary layers. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 129, 357-377. doi:10.1175/2010-0493(2010)129<0357:AMPPPL>2.0.CO;2
TKE (E)-TKE (Epsilon) (EEPS)	option 16	Zhang, C., Y. Wang and M. Xia, 2020: Evaluation of an E-ε and Three Other Boundary Layer Parameterization Schemes in the WRF Model over the Southeast Pacific and the Southern Great Plains. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 148, 1121-1145. https://doi.org/10.1175/MWR-D-16-0264.1
K-epsilon-theta*2 (KEPS)	option 17	Zonato, Andrea, A. Martini, P. A. Jimenez, J. Dudhia, D. Zardi, and L. Giovannini, A new K-epsilon turbulence parameterization for mesoscale meteorological models. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 150, 2157-2174. doi:10.1175/MWR-D-11-0299.1
MRF Scheme	option 99	Hong, S.-Y., and H.-L. Pan, 1999: Nonlocal boundary layer vertical diffusion in a medium-range forecast model. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 124, 2322-2339. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1999)124<2322:NBVLD2.0.CO;2
Gravity Wave Drag	gwd_opt = 1	Hong, Song-You, Jung Chol, Eun-Chul Chang, Hoon Park, and Young-Joon Kim, 2008: Lower-tropospheric enhancement of gravity wave drag in a global spectral atmospheric forecast model. <i>Wea. Forecasting</i> , 23, 523-531. doi:10.1175/2007WAF0007030.1
		Kim, Young-Joon, and Akio Arakawa, 1995: Improvement of orographic gravity wave parameterization using a mesoscale gravity wave model. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 52, 1875-1902. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1995)052<1875:IOGHW2.0.CO;2
		Cheil H. Hong S. 2015: An updated subgrid orographic parameterization for global atmospheric forecast models. <i>J. Geophys. Res.</i> , 120, 5010-5024. doi:10.1002/2015JD024230
Wind-farm (drag) Surface Layer Parameterization Scheme	windturbine_spec	Fitch, Anna C., Joseph B. Olson, Julie K. Lundquist, Jimmy Dudhia, Aksh K. Gupta, John Michalek, and Jan Barstad, 2012: Local and mesoscale impacts of wind farms as parameterized in a mesoscale NWP model. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 140, 2017-2038. doi:10.1175/MWR-D-11-00382.1
Fog/ES Scheme (detail)	grav_settling = 2	Katata, G. (2014): Fogwater deposition modeling for terrestrial ecosystems: A review of developments and measurements. <i>J. Geophys. Res. Atmos.</i> , 119, 8137-8150. doi:10.1002/2014JD021899

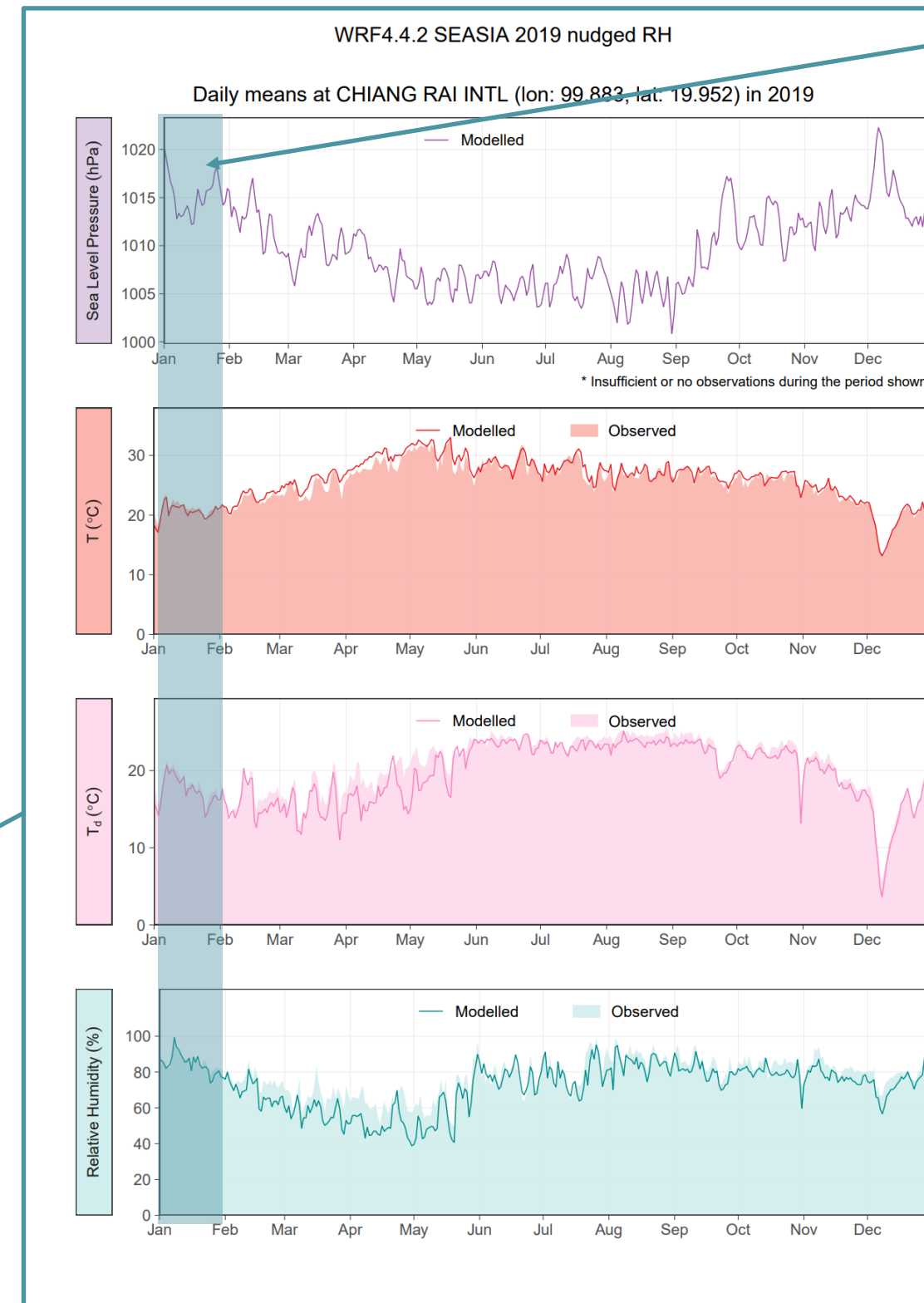
Multi-scale Kain-Fritsch Scheme	option 11	Zheng, Yue, K. Alapaty, J. A. Herwehe, A. D. Del Genio, and D. Niyogi, 2016: Improving high-resolution weather forecasts using the Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) Model with an updated Kain-Fritsch scheme. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 117-3, 833-860. doi:10.1175/MWR-D-15-0005.1
New Simplified Arakawa-Schubert Scheme (for Basic WRF)	option 14	After V4.0 Kwon, Y.-C., and S.-Y. Hong, 2017: A mass-flux cumulus parameterization scheme across gray-zone resolutions. <i>Mon. Wea. Rev.</i> , 145, 585-598. doi:10.1175/MWR-D-16-0034.1
New Tiedtke Scheme	option 16	Zhang, C. and Y. Wang, 2017: Projected Future Changes of Tropical Cyclone Activity over the Western North and South Pacific in a 20-km-Mesh Regional Climate Model. <i>J. Climate</i> , 30, 5923-5941. doi:10.1175/JCLI-D-16-0597.1
New Simplified Arakawa-Schubert Scheme (for HWRF)	option 84	Han, Jongil and Hua-Lu Pan, 2011: Revision of convection and vertical diffusion schemes in the NCEP Global Forecast System. <i>Wea. Forecasting</i> , 26, 520-533. doi:10.1175/WAF-D-10-05039.1
Grell-Devenyi (GD) Ensemble Scheme	option 93	Grell, G. A., and D. Devenyi, 2002: A generalized approach to parameterizing convection combining ensemble and data assimilation techniques. <i>Geophys. Res. Lett.</i> , 29(14). doi:10.1029/2002GL015311
Old Kain-Fritsch Scheme	option 99	Kain, John S., and J. Michael Fritsch, 1990: A one-dimensional entraining/detraining plume model and its application in convective parameterization. <i>J. Atmos. Sci.</i> , 47, 2784-2802. doi:10.1175/1520-0493(1990)047<2785:AOEPM2.0.CO;2

Meteorology - ERA5 downscaled with the WRF model in southeast Asia

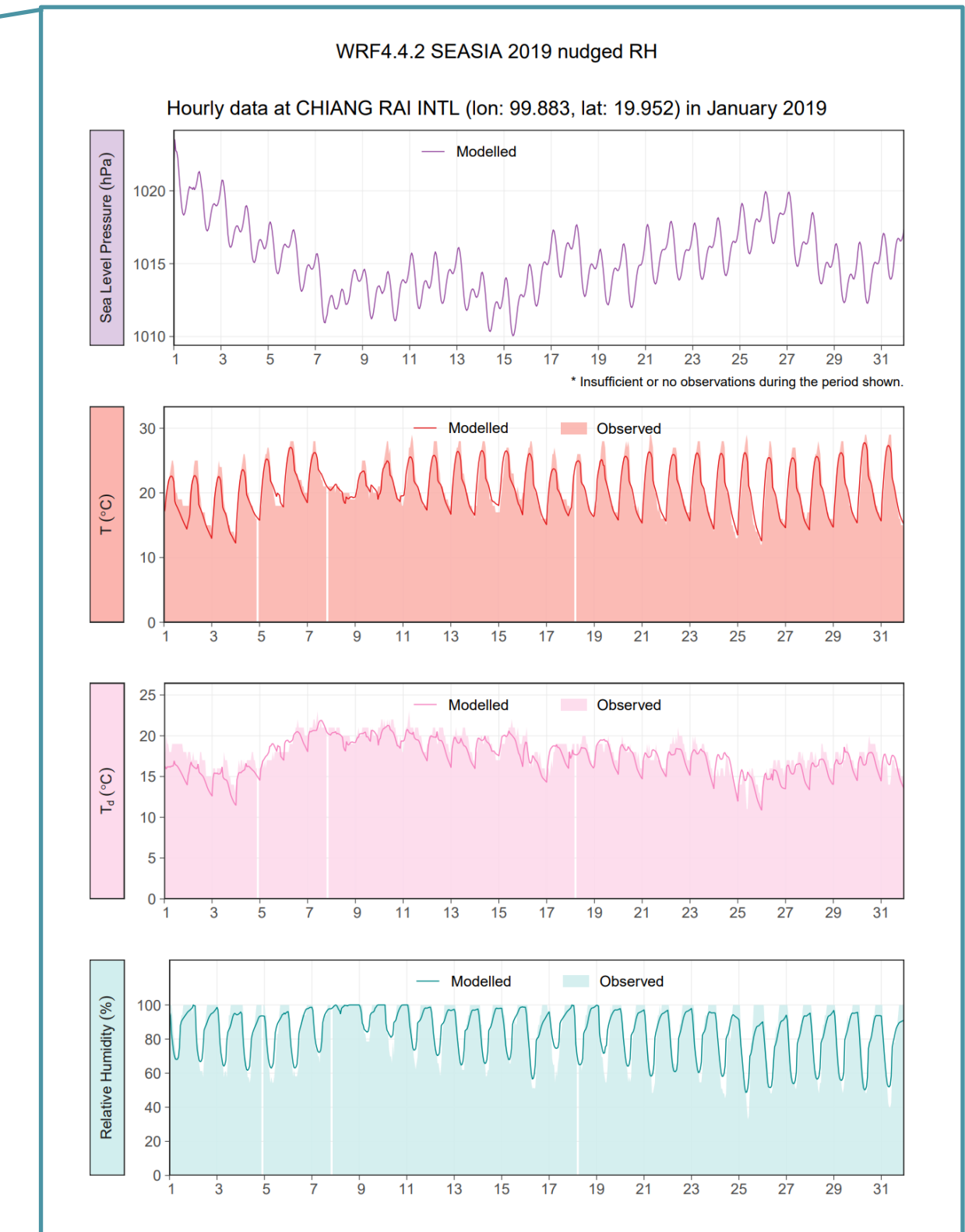
The WRF model is used here to downscale the ERA5 reanalysis to the required resolution (in this case $0.11^\circ \times 0.11^\circ$)

We are currently evaluating if nudging the relative humidity is beneficial or not to our WRF model results

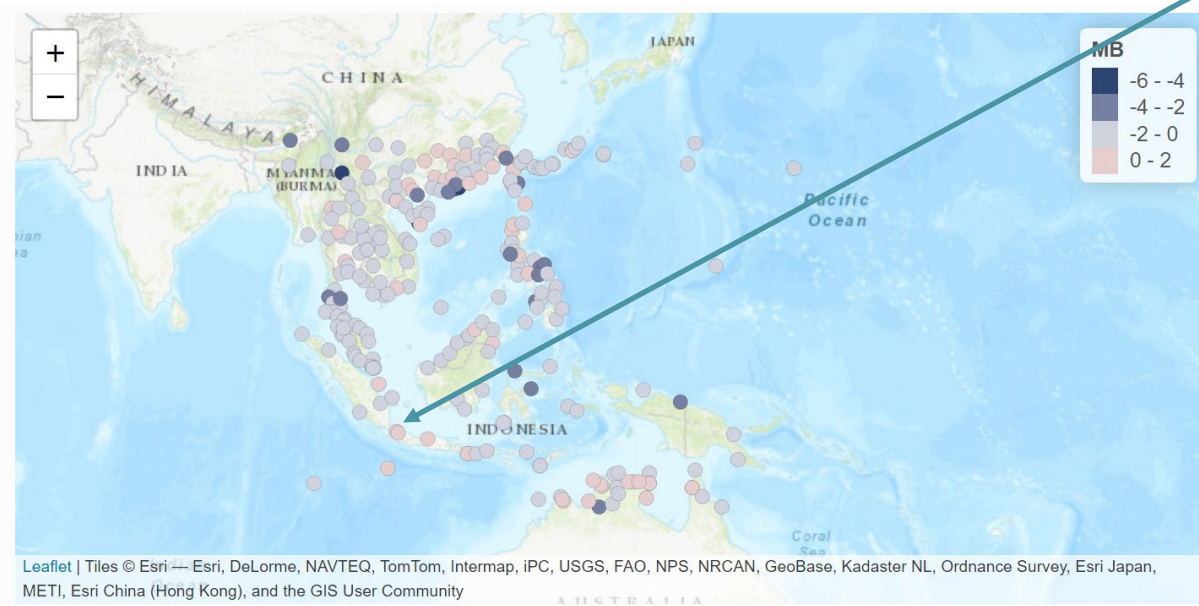
Singapore 2019 daily mean



hourly values for January



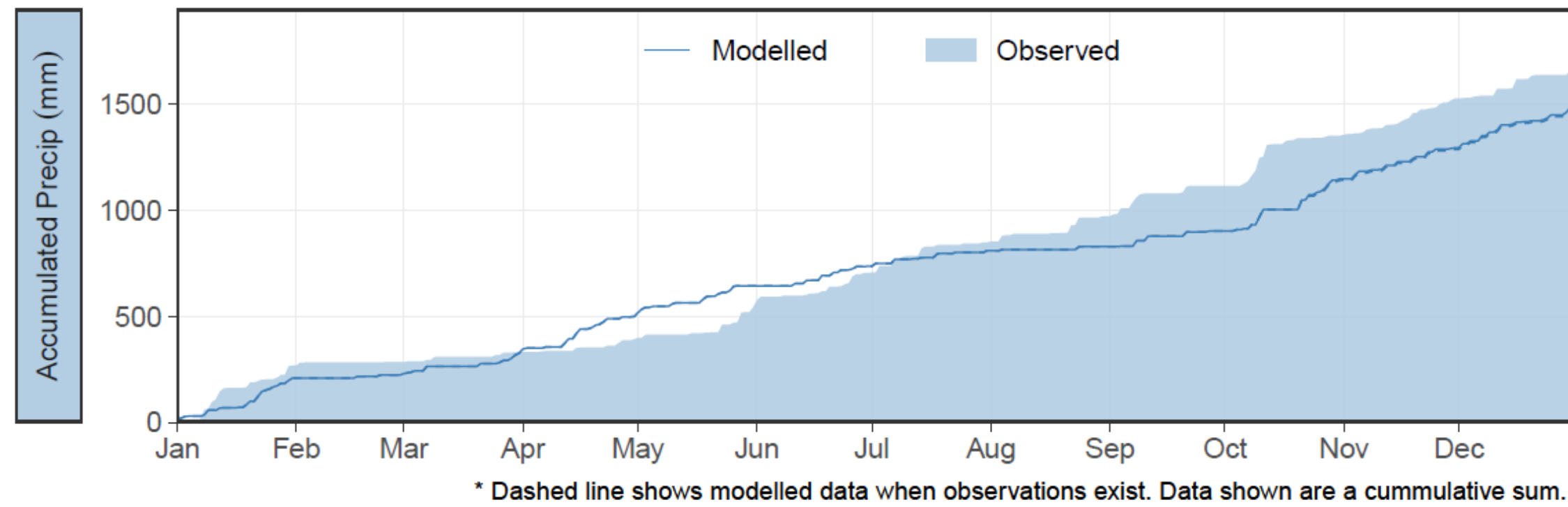
Summary plot for mean bias for the 2m T - SEA WRF domain



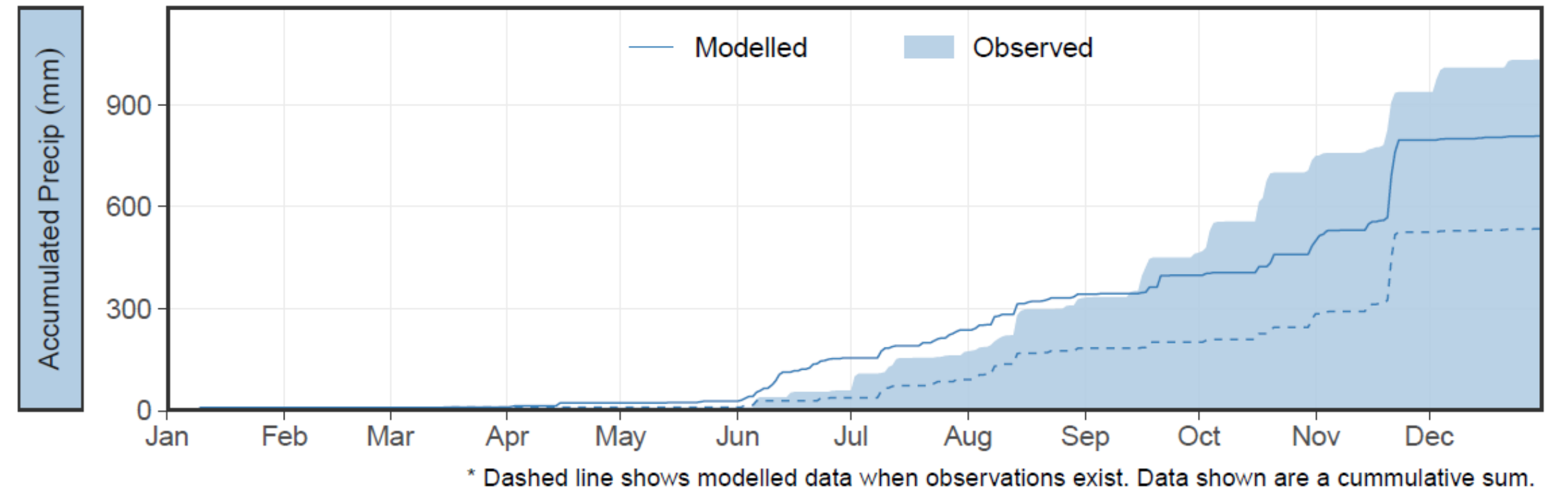
Variable	n	FAC2	MB	NMB	RMSE	r
air temperature (K)	251	1	-0.4	0	1.1	0.94
dew point temperature (K)	249	1	-0.5	0	1.1	0.96
relative humidity (%)	249	1	0.3	0	4.9	0.79
sea level pressure (hPa)	154	1	0.3	0	0.7	0.92
accumulated precip (mm)	156	0.68	-204.2	-0.13	919.4	0.56
wind speed ($m s^{-1}$)	251	0.96	0.2	0.05	1	0.72

Meteorology - What about Rainfall?

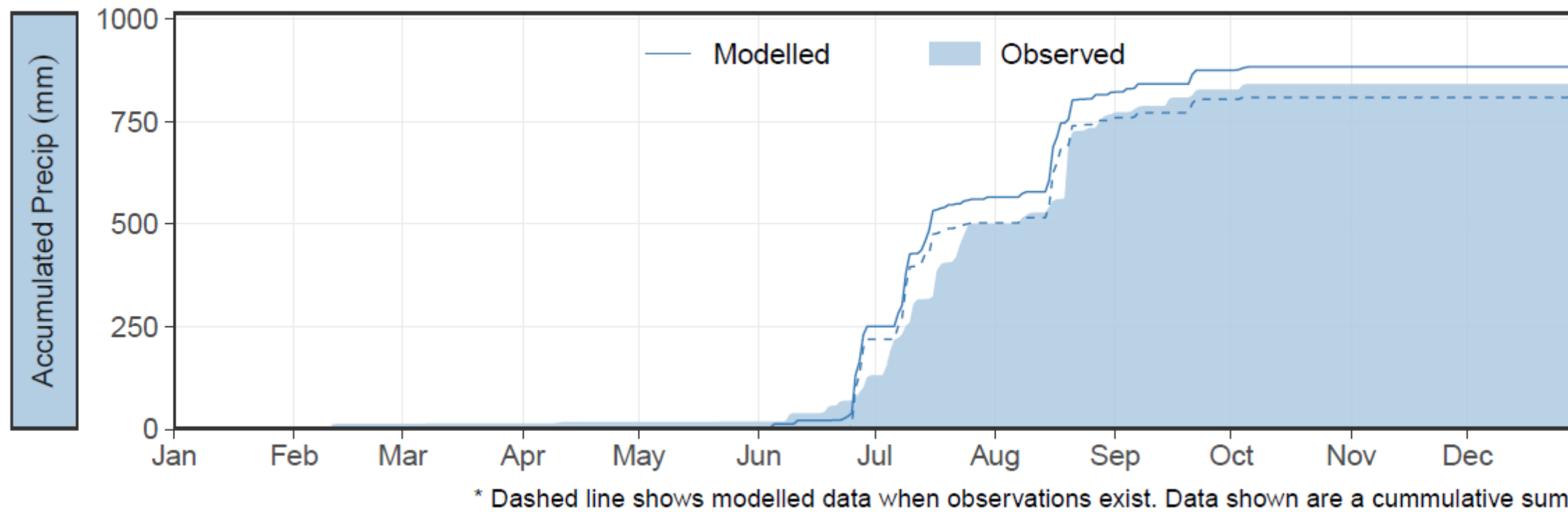
SINGAPORE CHANGI INTL (lon: 103.994, lat: 1.35) in 2018



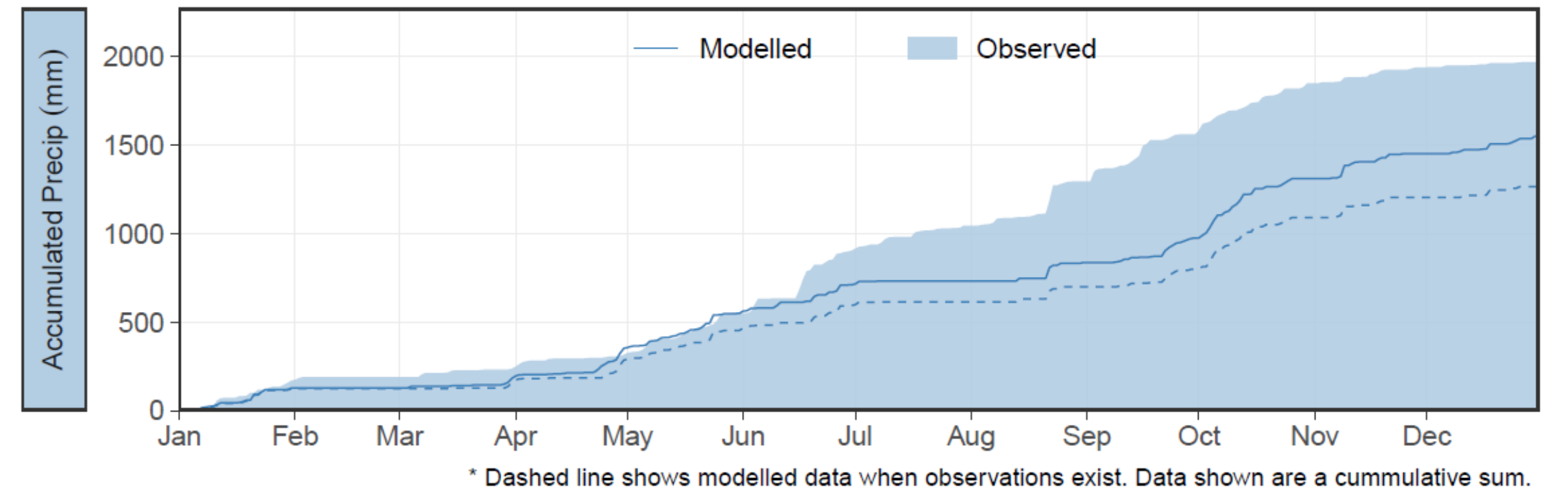
CHENNAI INTL (lon: 80.181, lat: 12.994) in 2018



BHOPAL (lon: 77.337, lat: 23.287) in 2018

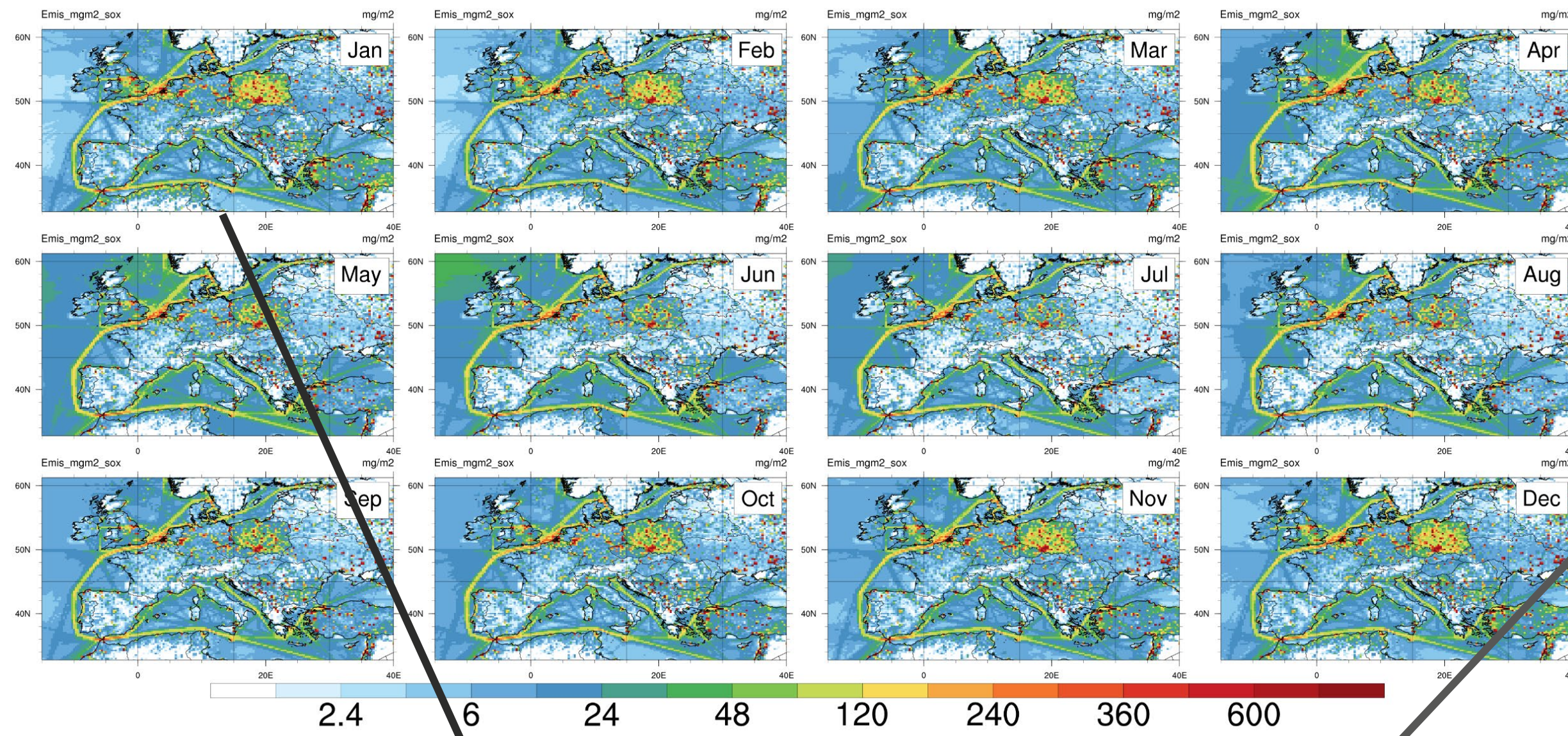


PHUKET (lon: 98.4, lat: 7.883) in 2018

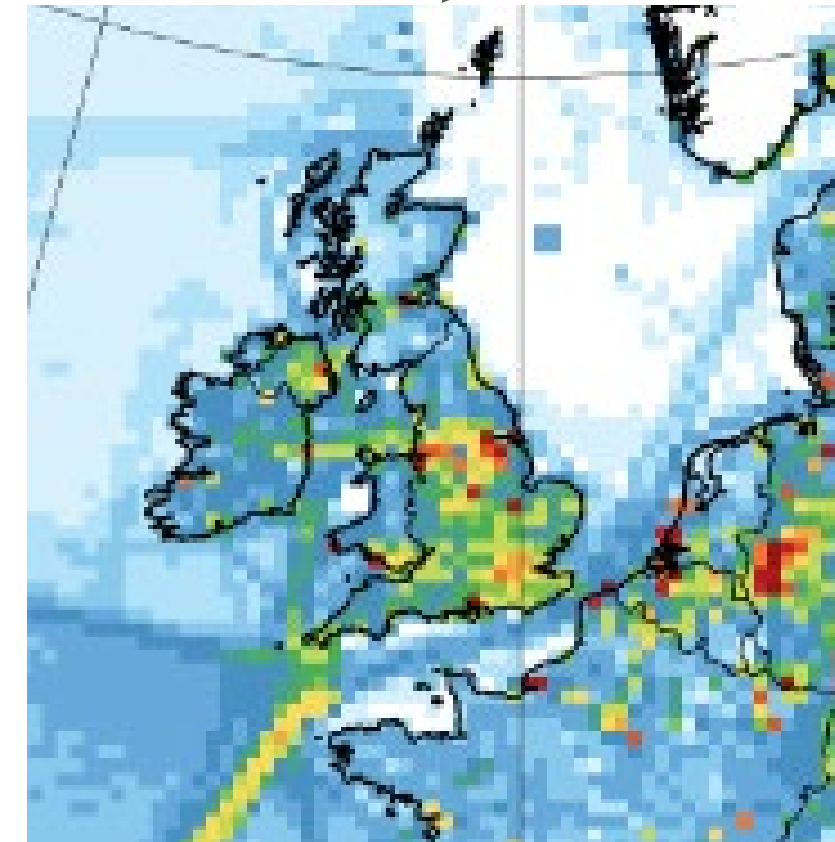
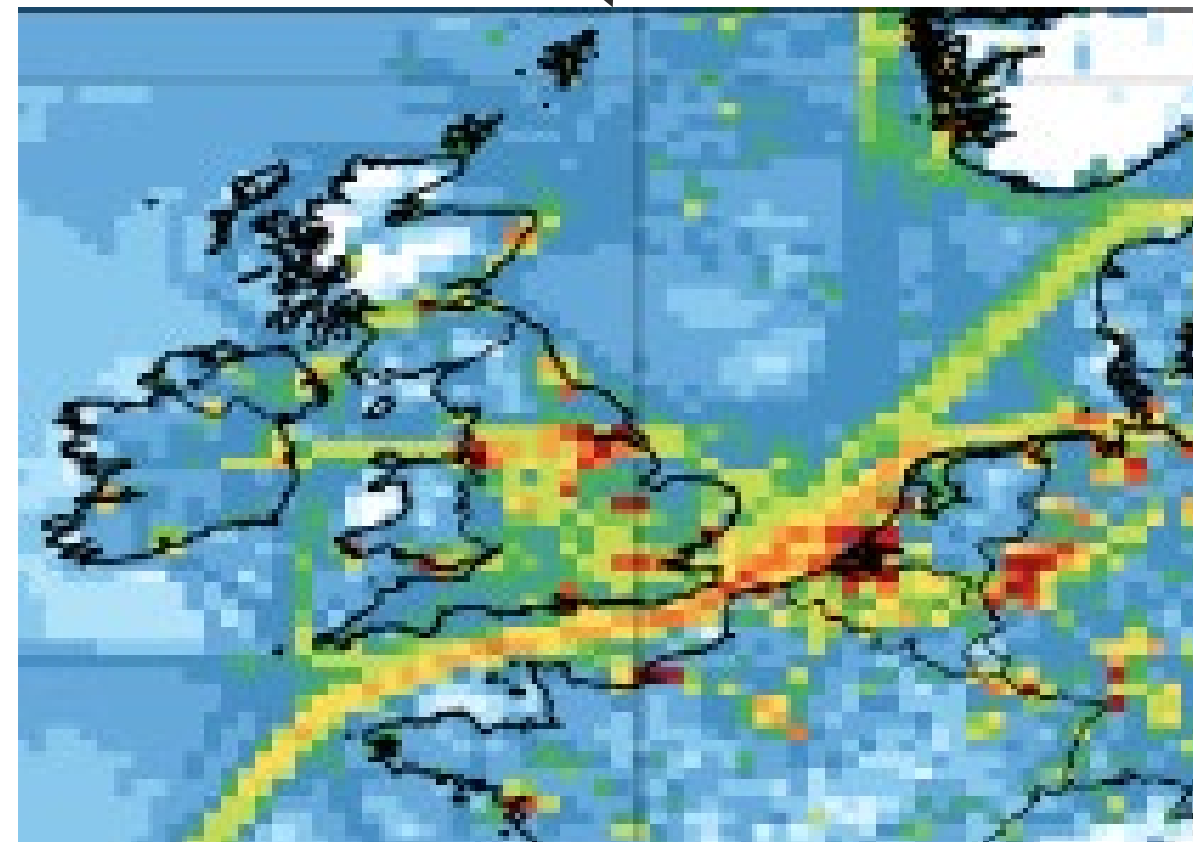
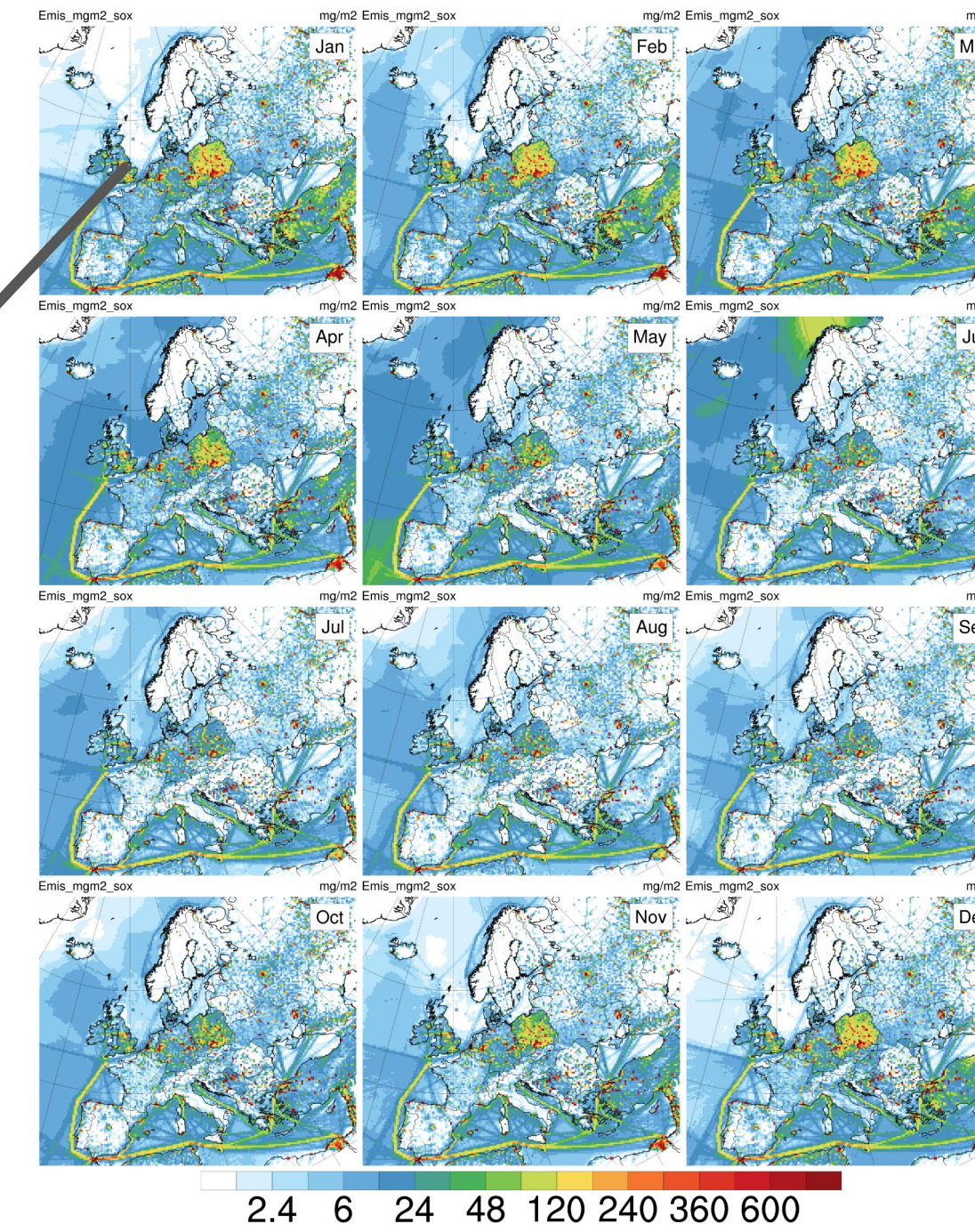


Emissions input

2018 SO_x monthly emission from HTAPv3 (mgm⁻²)



2018 SO_x monthly emission from the EMEP website (mgm⁻²)



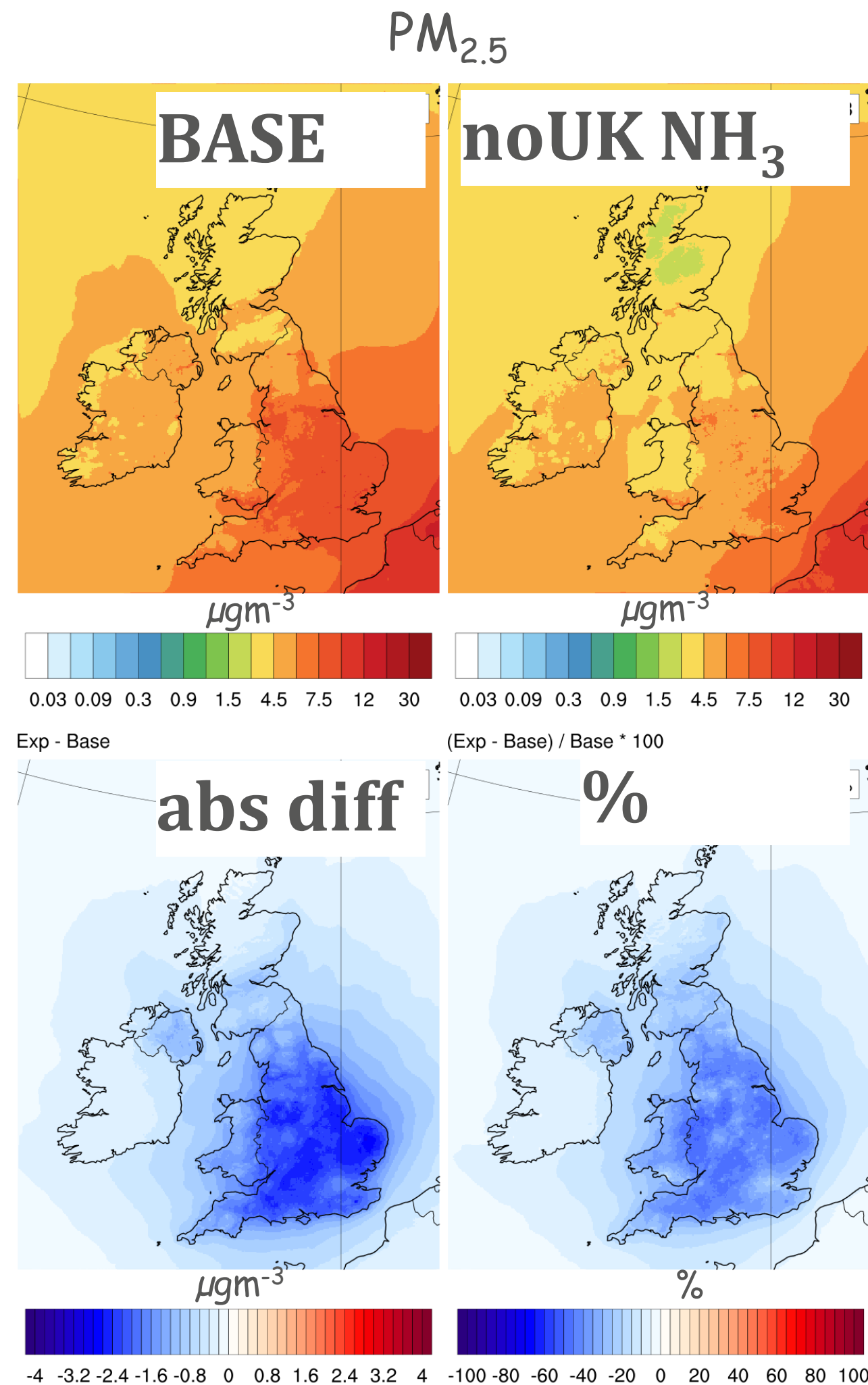
"Ships trading in designated emission control areas will have to use on board fuel oil with a sulphur content of no more than 0.10% from 1 January 2015, against the limit of 1.00% in effect up until 31 December 2014"

This is an example of uncertainties/representativity of anthropogenic emissions sources.

Biogenic emissions; calculated online in ACTM (e.g. isoprene from vegetation, sea salt, dust, etc.), or as an input from satellite derived product (forest fires), do all participate in the overall uncertainties

EMEP-WRF applications

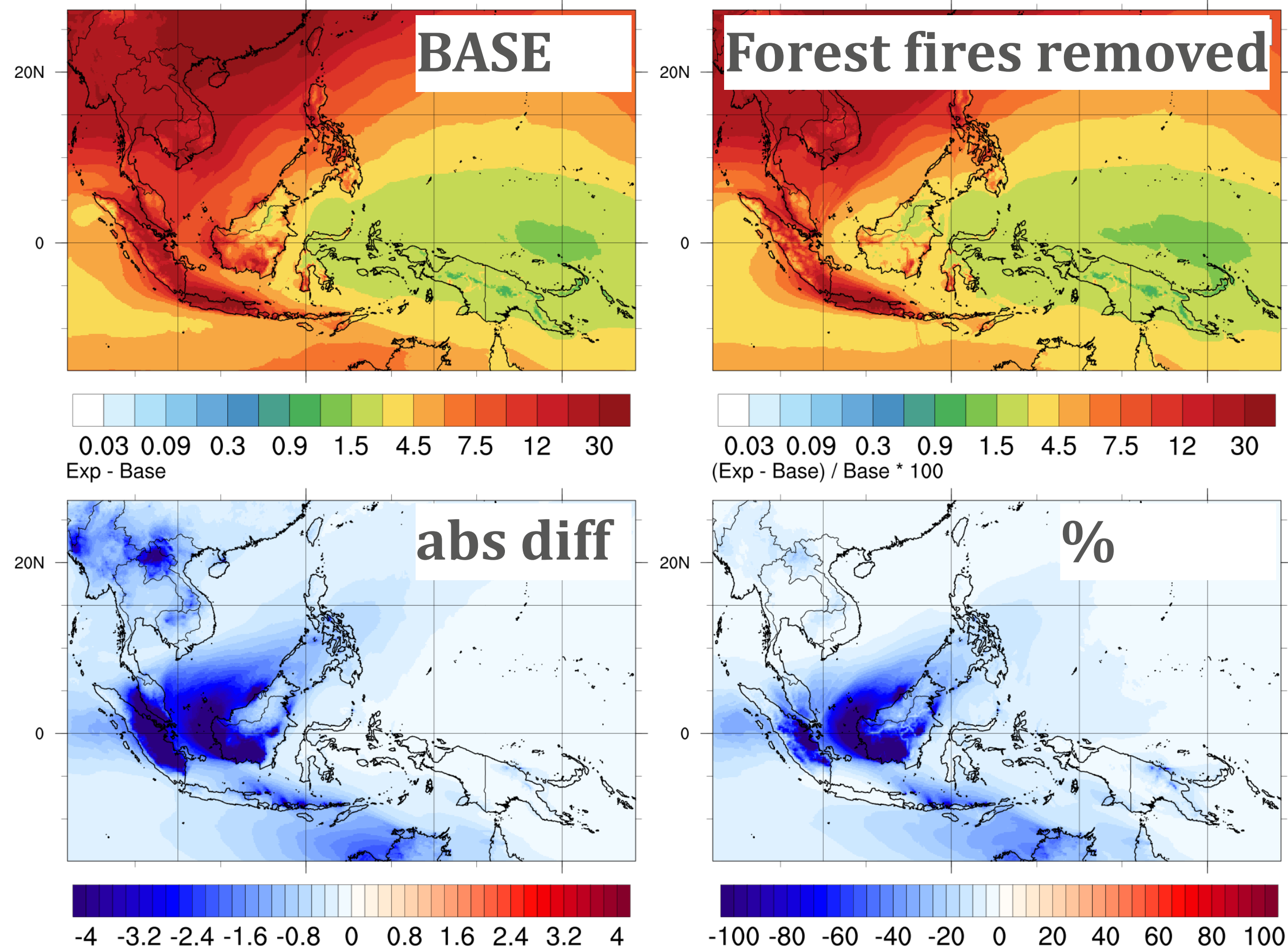
What is the effect of removing all UK NH₃ emissions



- A 100% reduction of UK anthropogenic NH₃ emissions is associated with up to 50% of PM_{2.5} reductions. This broadly agrees with other studies (ACP Vieno et al 2016, Kelly et al 2023).
- However, this may be misleading as without HNO₃ and H₂SO₄ there will not be much NH₄⁺ around in Europe.
- In other parts of the world (for example South Asia) this may not be the case as HCl emissions are very substantial and NH₄Cl is a significant fraction of the total PM_{2.5}

What is the effect of biomass burning in Southeast Asia

Surface $PM_{2.5}$ ($\mu g m^{-3}$)



- The simulation was done for the year 2019
- The figures show the annual mean (from hourly values)
- HTAPv3 emissions
- Daily Forest fires derived from the Global Fire Assimilation System (GFAS)

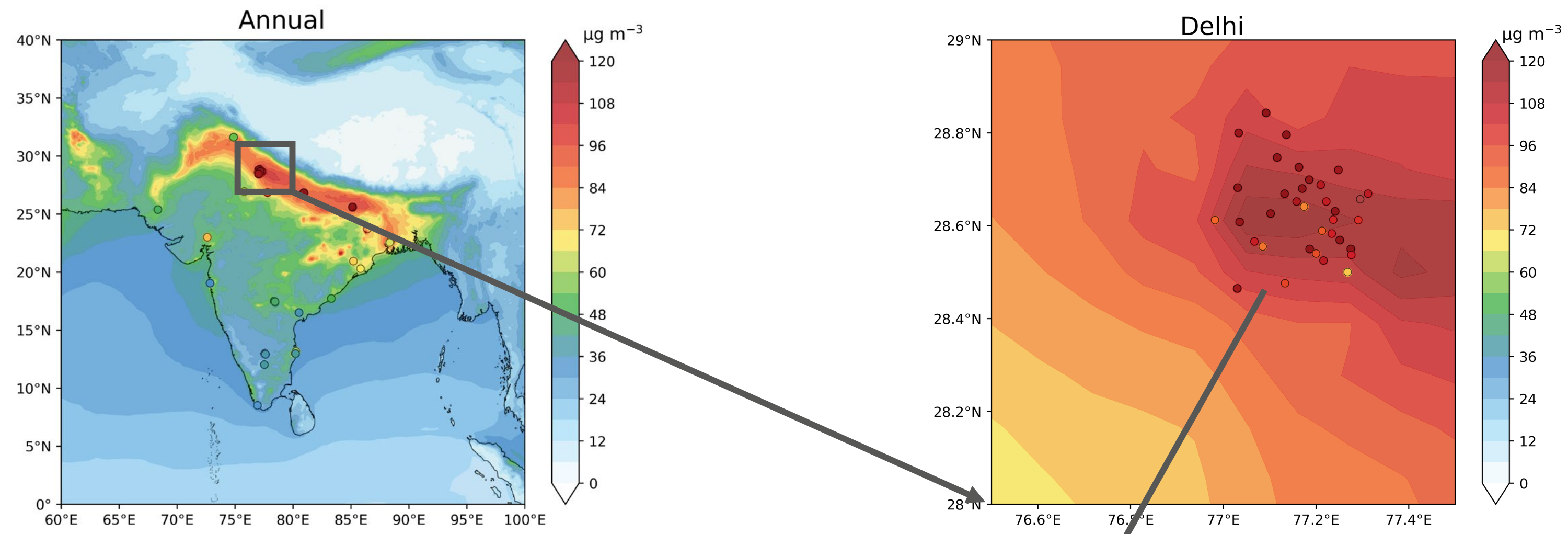
GFAS dataset:
Generated using Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service Information [2024]

HTAPv3:
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EMEP-WRF, evaluation, missing processes, missed rain event, and observations...

South Asia 2018 daily mean PM_{2.5}

- The model shows similar patterns for PM_{2.5} at several Indian sites
- Other pollutants such as ozone are not what we expected, but when compared with measurement campaign, the model better captures ozone concentrations
- Sulphur dioxide also shows some "uncharacteristic" patterns in the observations

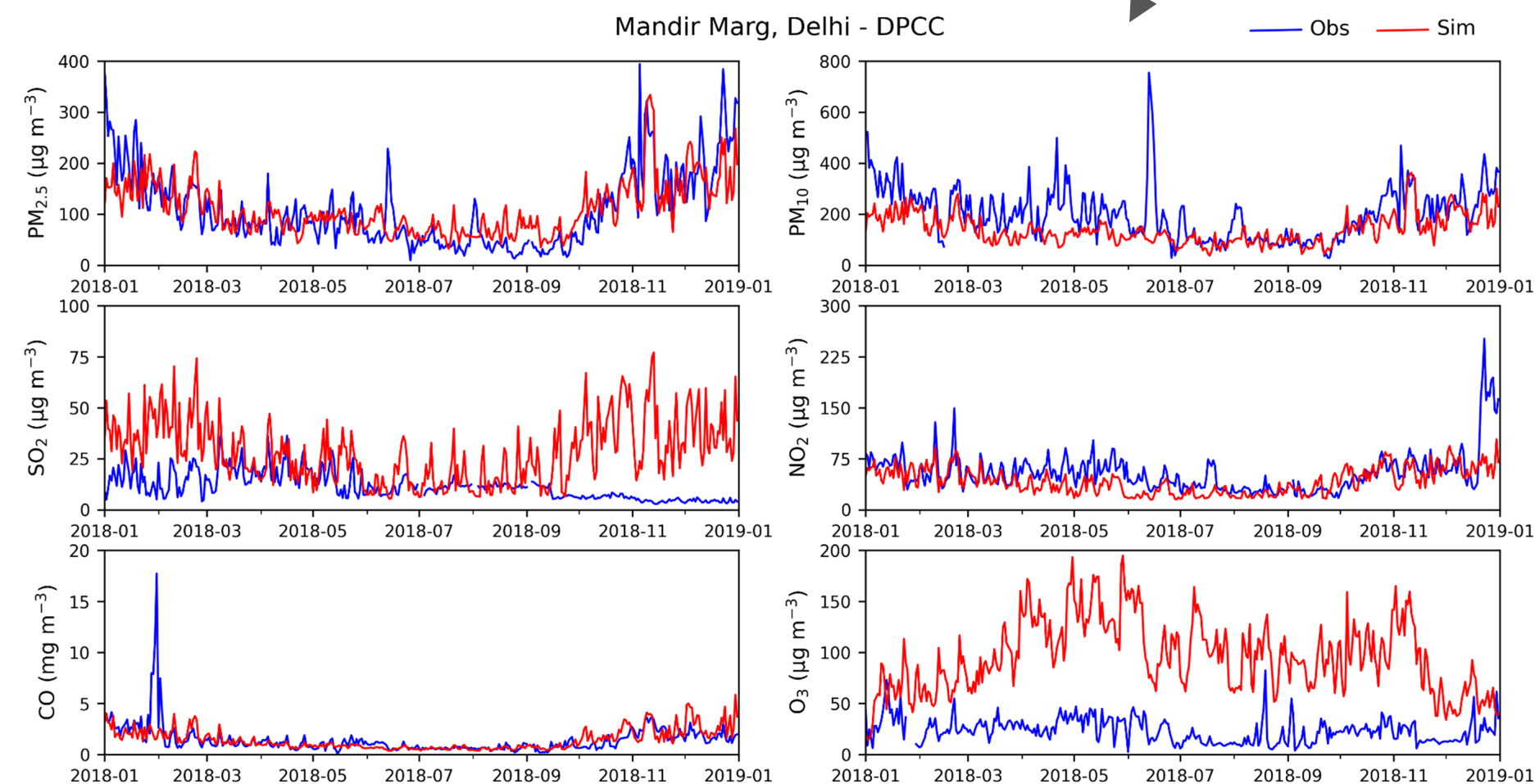


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[India's Air Quality: EDA and Prediction | Kaggle](#)
Python · [geojson](#), [Air Quality Data in India \(2015 - 2020\)](#)



Deposition velocity and non-linearity

PM_{2.5} sensitivity to a reduction of NH₃ emissions - 10%, 20%, ... , 100% NH₃ reduction
 Sensitivity of SO₄²⁻, NO₃⁻, NH₄⁺ and PM_{2.5} to ammonia reductions in South Asia

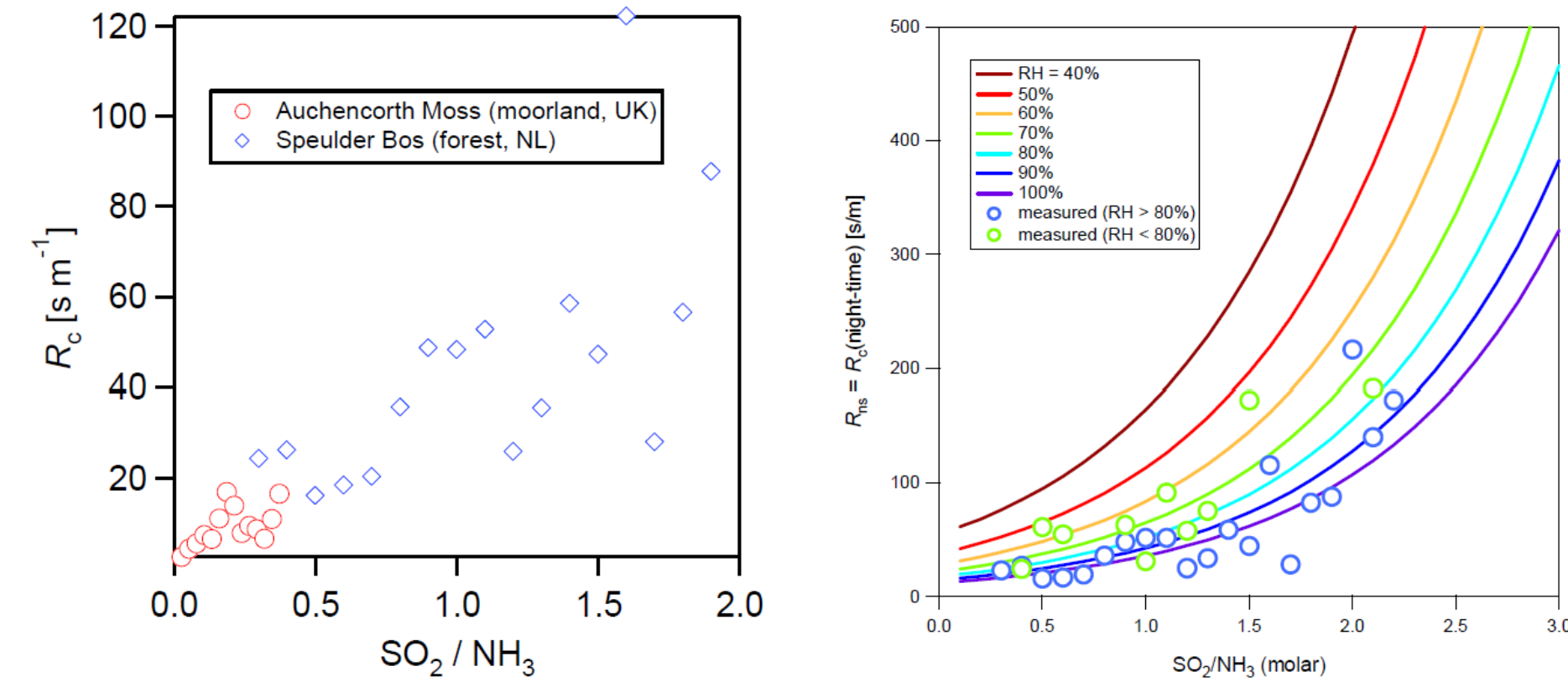
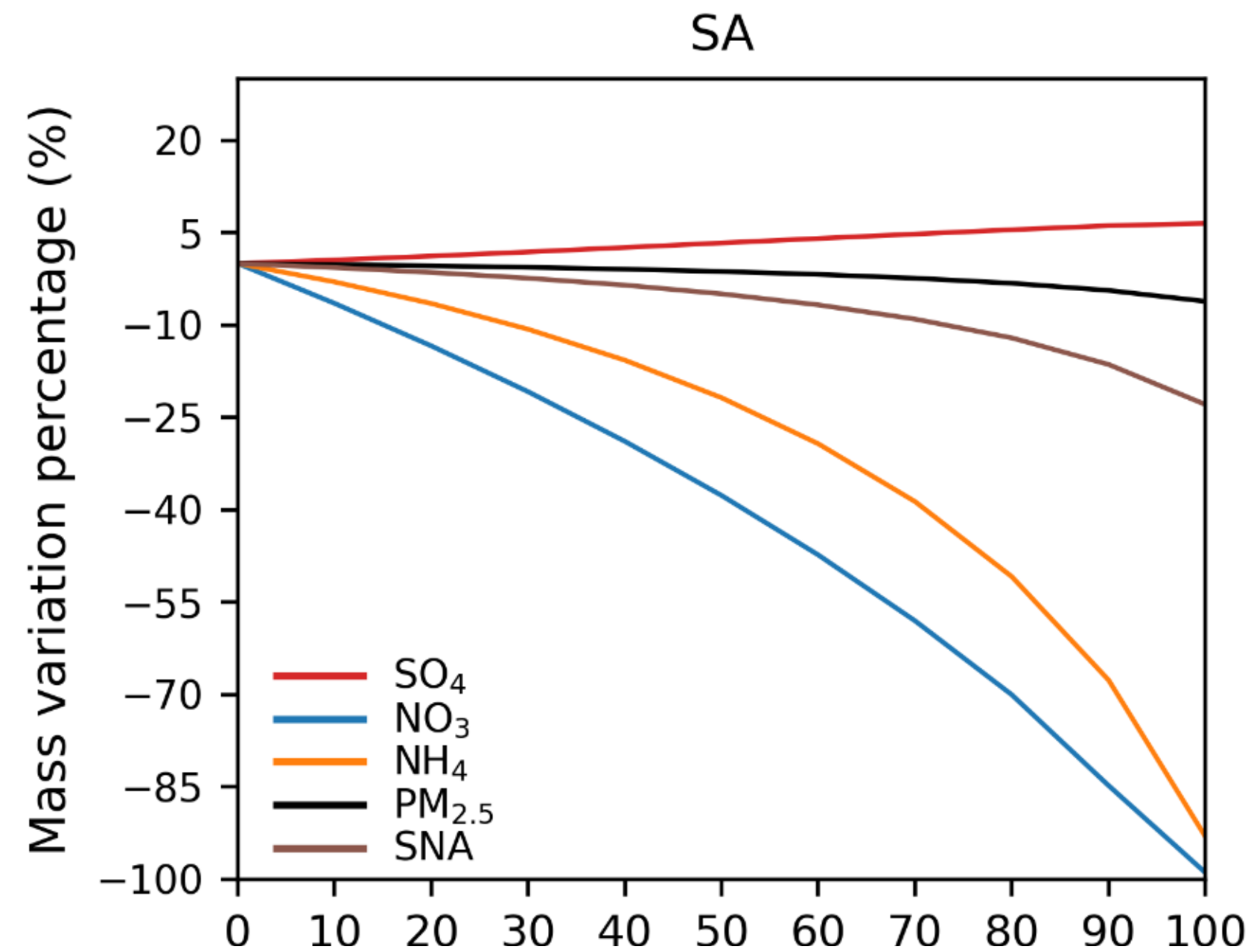


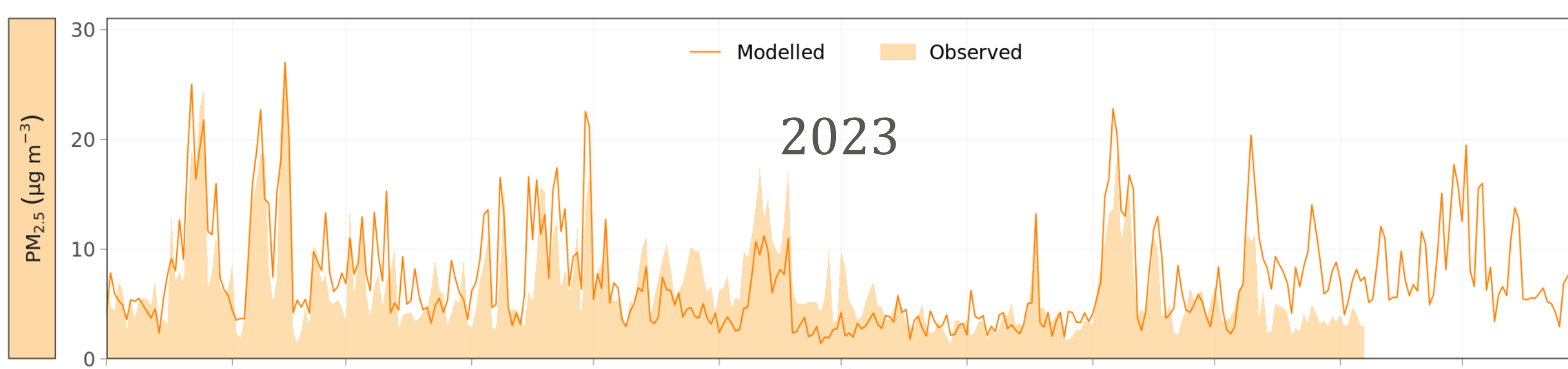
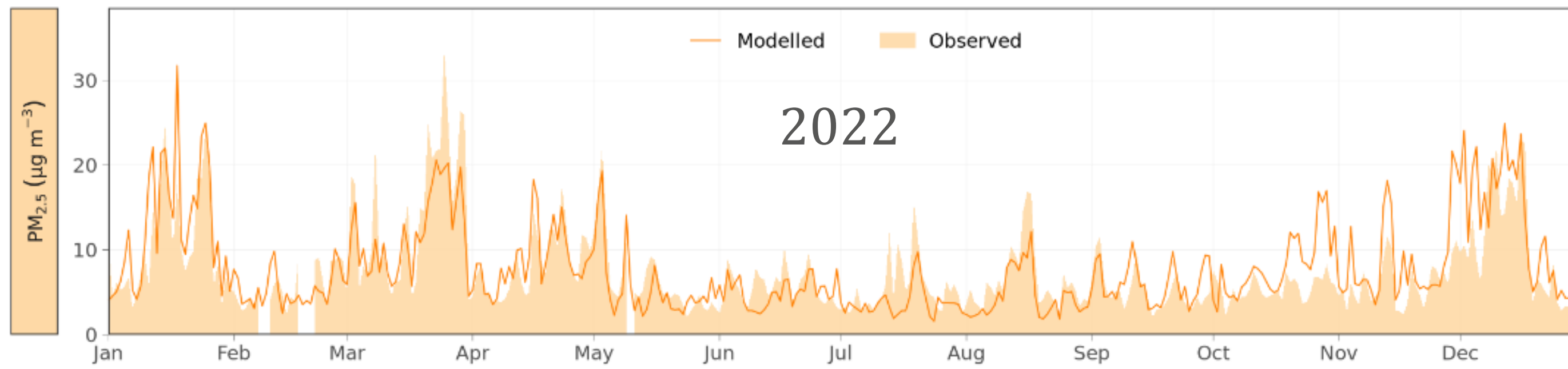
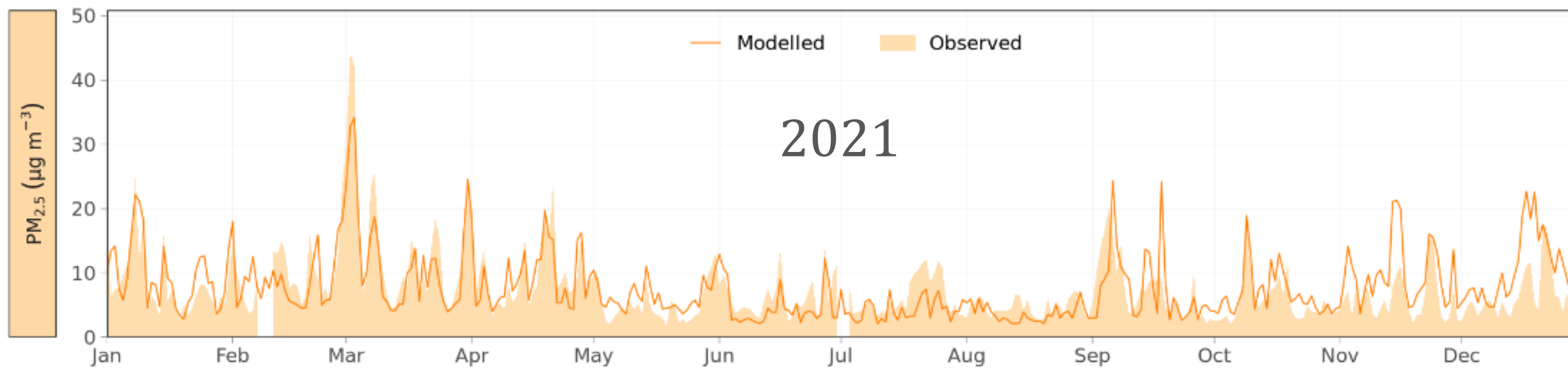
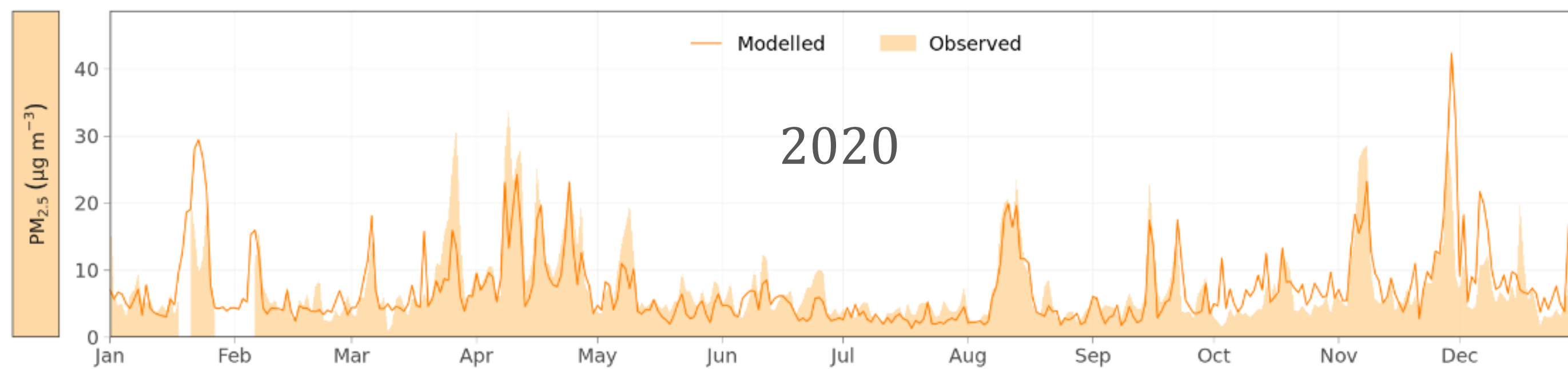
Figure 1.9. Dependence of the SO₂ canopy resistance on the ratio of the SO₂ and NH₃ air concentration of the previous 24 hours, combining data from two different field sites: (a) measurements and (b) parameterisation.

In the EMEP model the deposition velocity of SO₂ is a function of the SO₂/NH₃ ratio

Conclusions

- ACTMs have been made easily accessible to all researchers' community
- Uncertainty analysis is still an issue?
- Model evaluation is relatively easy in some parts of the world (e.g. US, China, and the EU)
- Model accuracy is also difficult to assess
- Ensembles of air quality models may provide a better understanding of uncertainties

HOWEVER,...



EMEP4UK daily average at the AURN Chilbolton observatory site

The model captures the timing and magnitude of the elevated $PM_{2.5}$

Other models may do even better which suggests that the uncertainties/errors are not too large...

In 1976, a British statistician named *George Box* wrote the famous line, "All models are wrong, some are useful"

I prefer to say, "All models are an incomplete representation of reality", but not necessarily wrong.

Thank You

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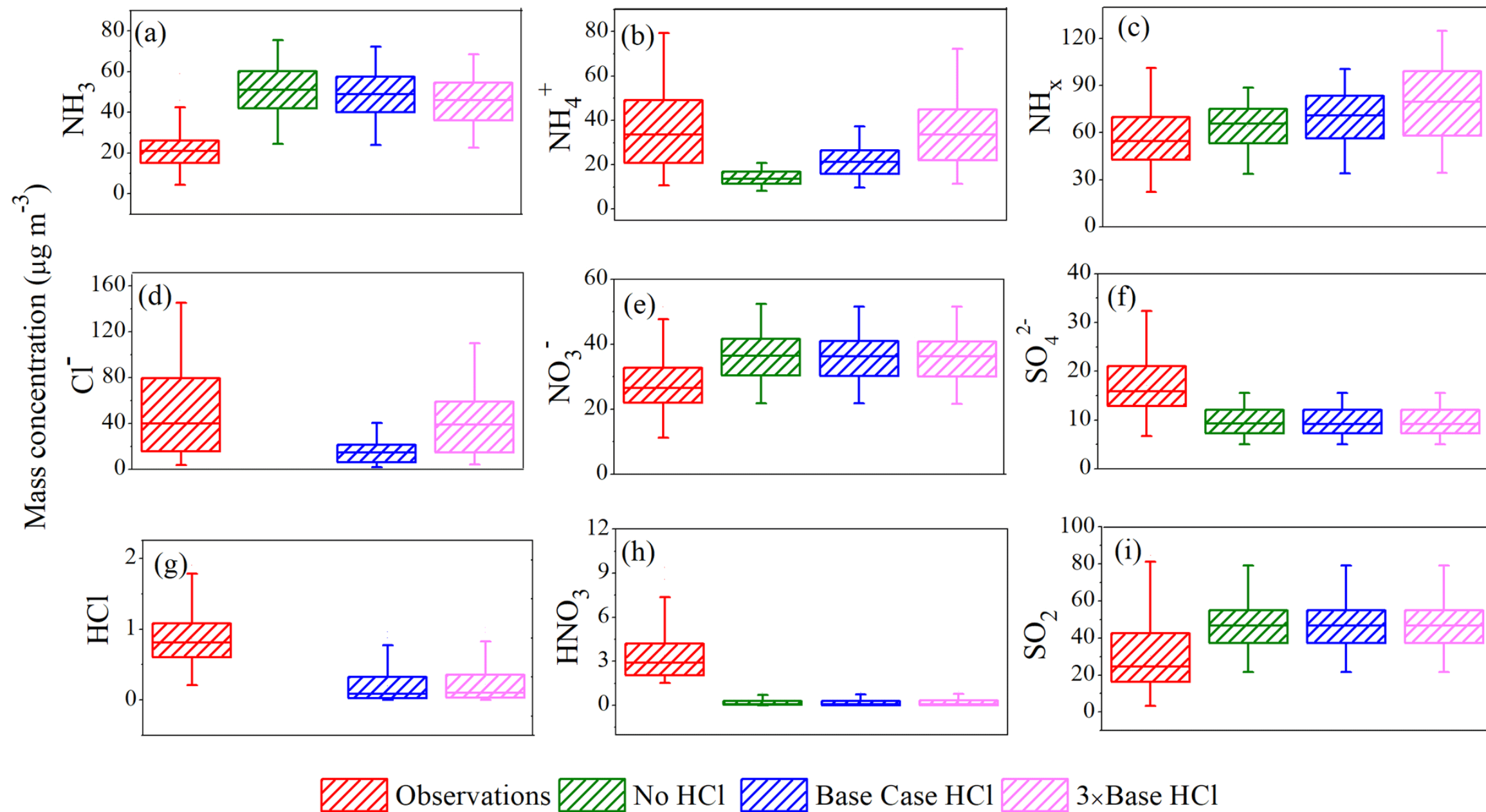
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...recent studies shows the importance of HCl emissions in Delhi

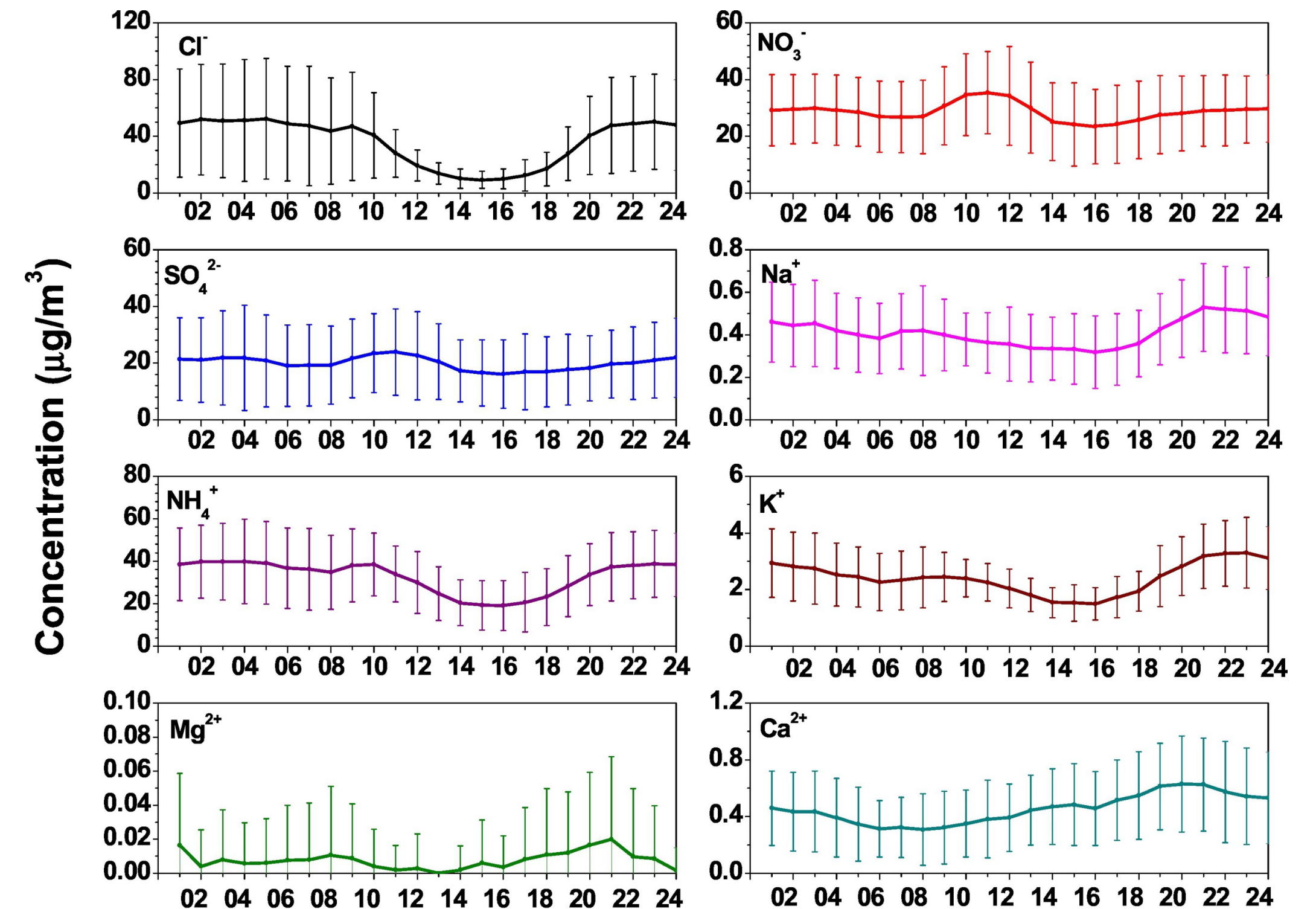
Pawar et al. shows that adding HCl emissions over Delhi the results agree better with the observed $PM_{2.5}$



Box-and-whisker plot for trace gases and secondary inorganic aerosols from the observations (MARGA) and simulated in sensitivity test with changes in HCl emissions in no HCl ($0 \text{ mol km}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1}$), base case HCl ($24.8 \text{ mol km}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1}$), and $3 \times$ base HCl ($74 \text{ mol km}^{-2} \text{ h}^{-1}$) runs at IGIA, Delhi.

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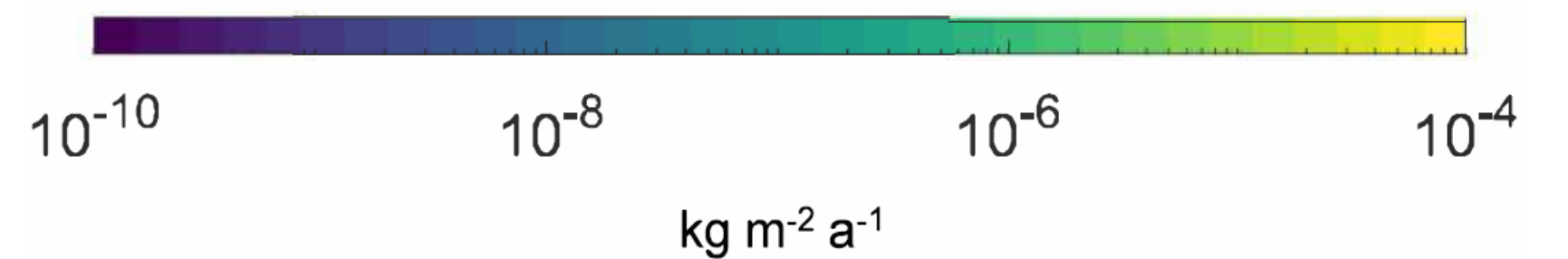
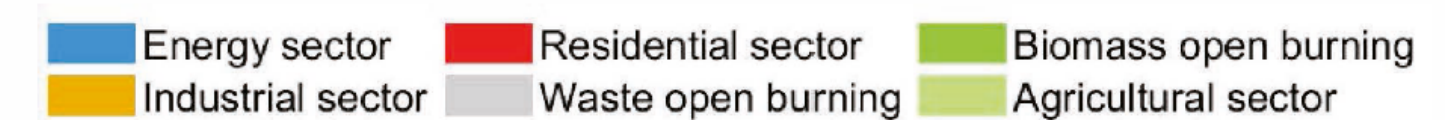
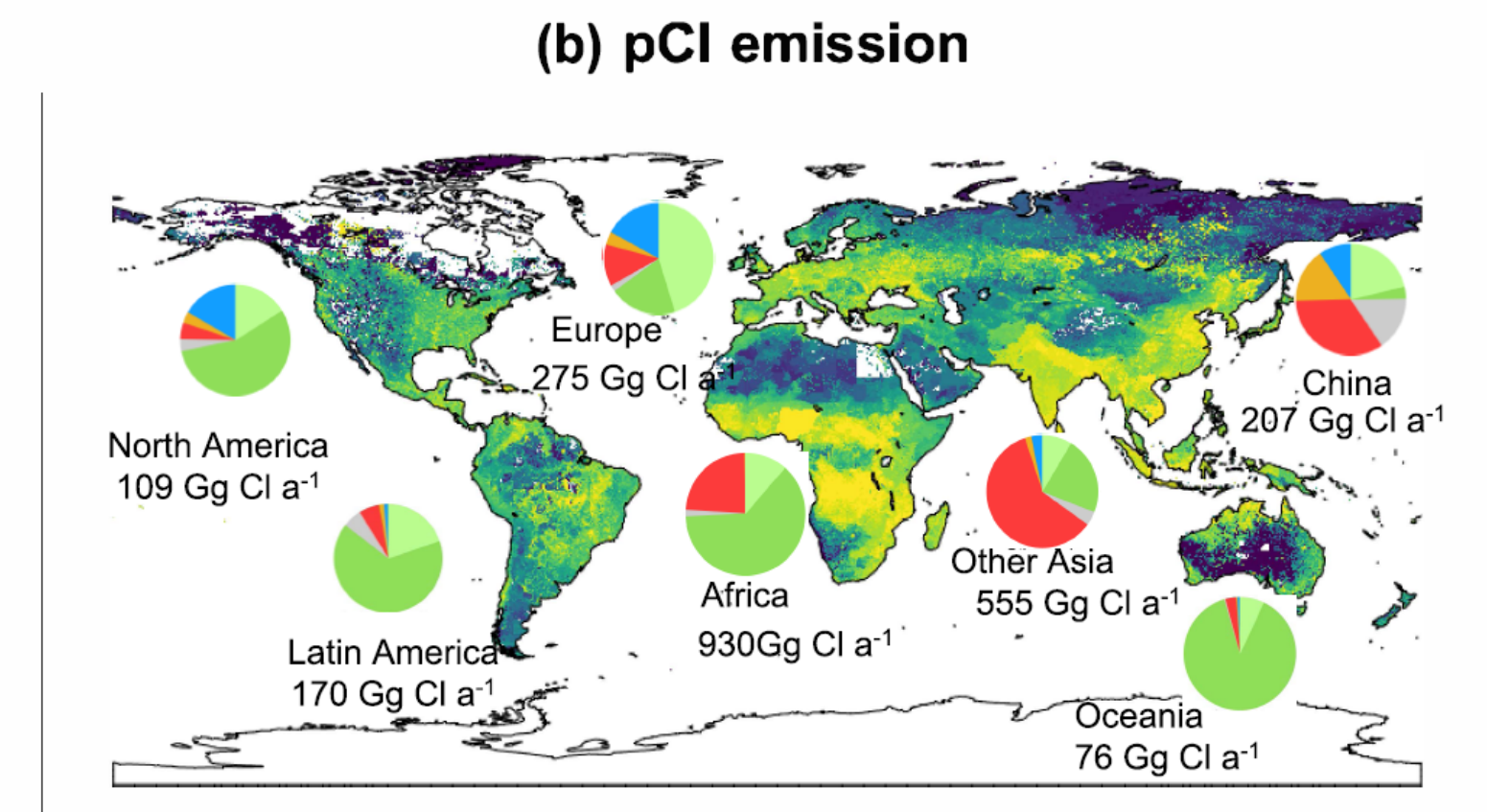
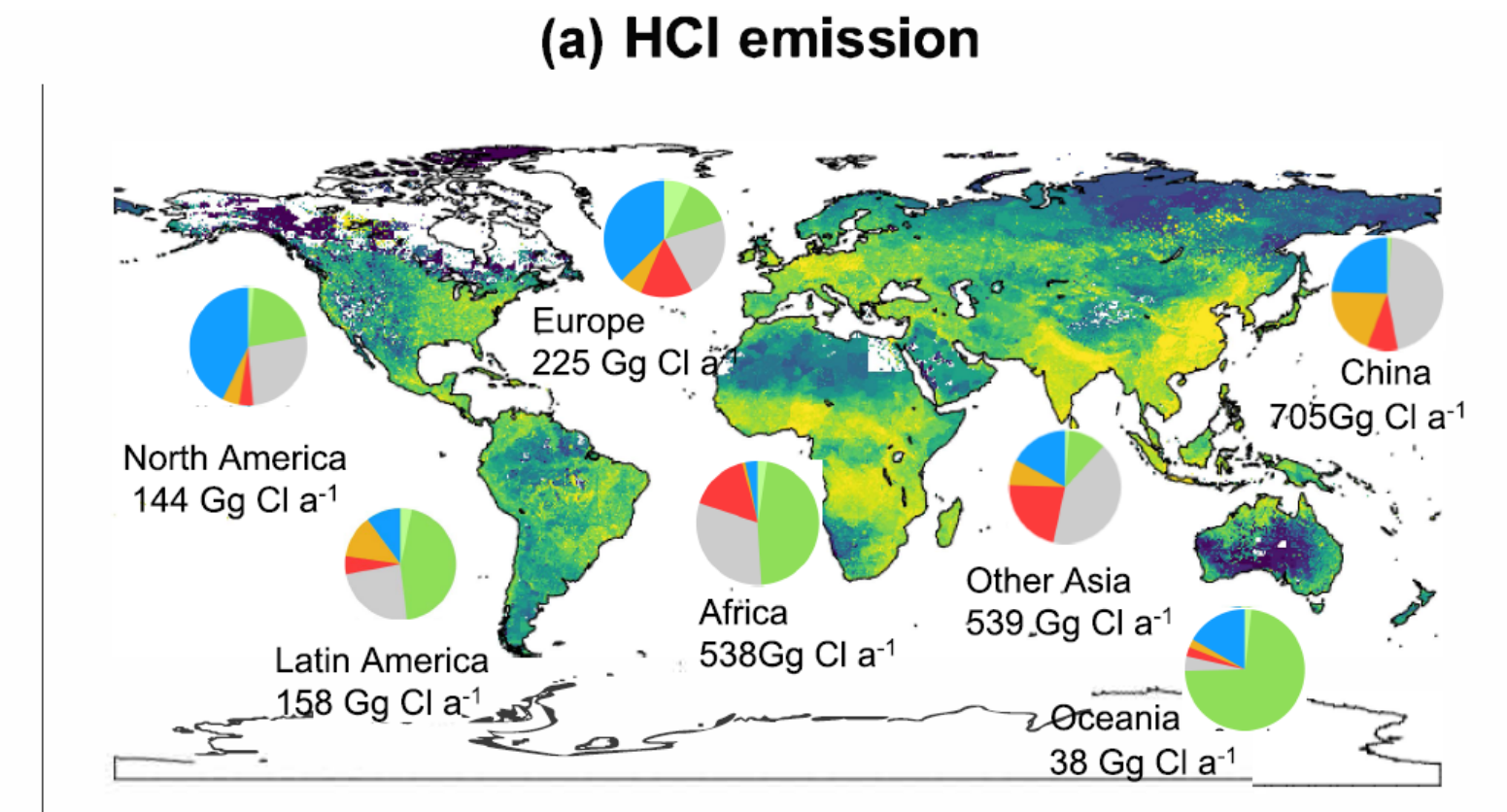
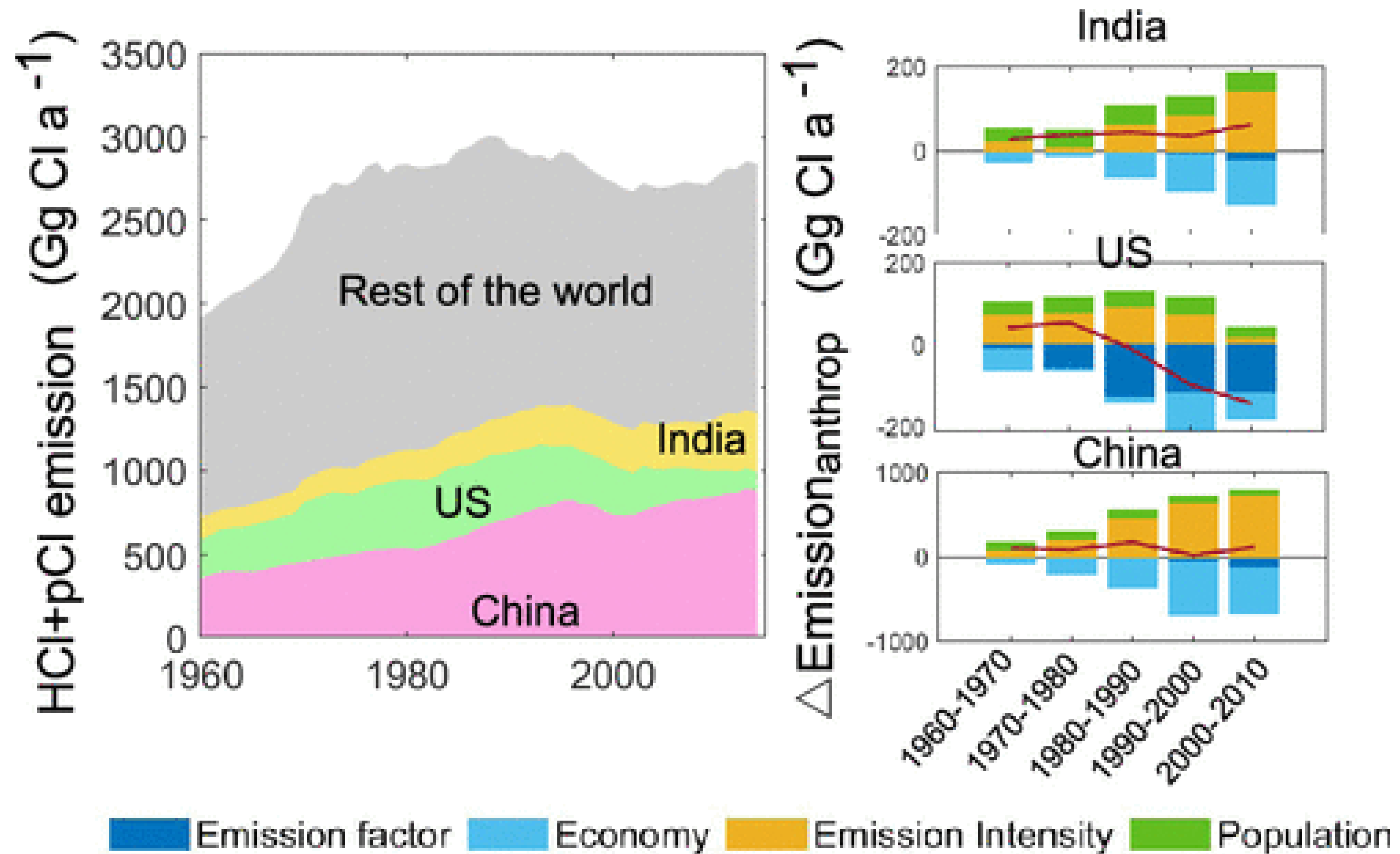
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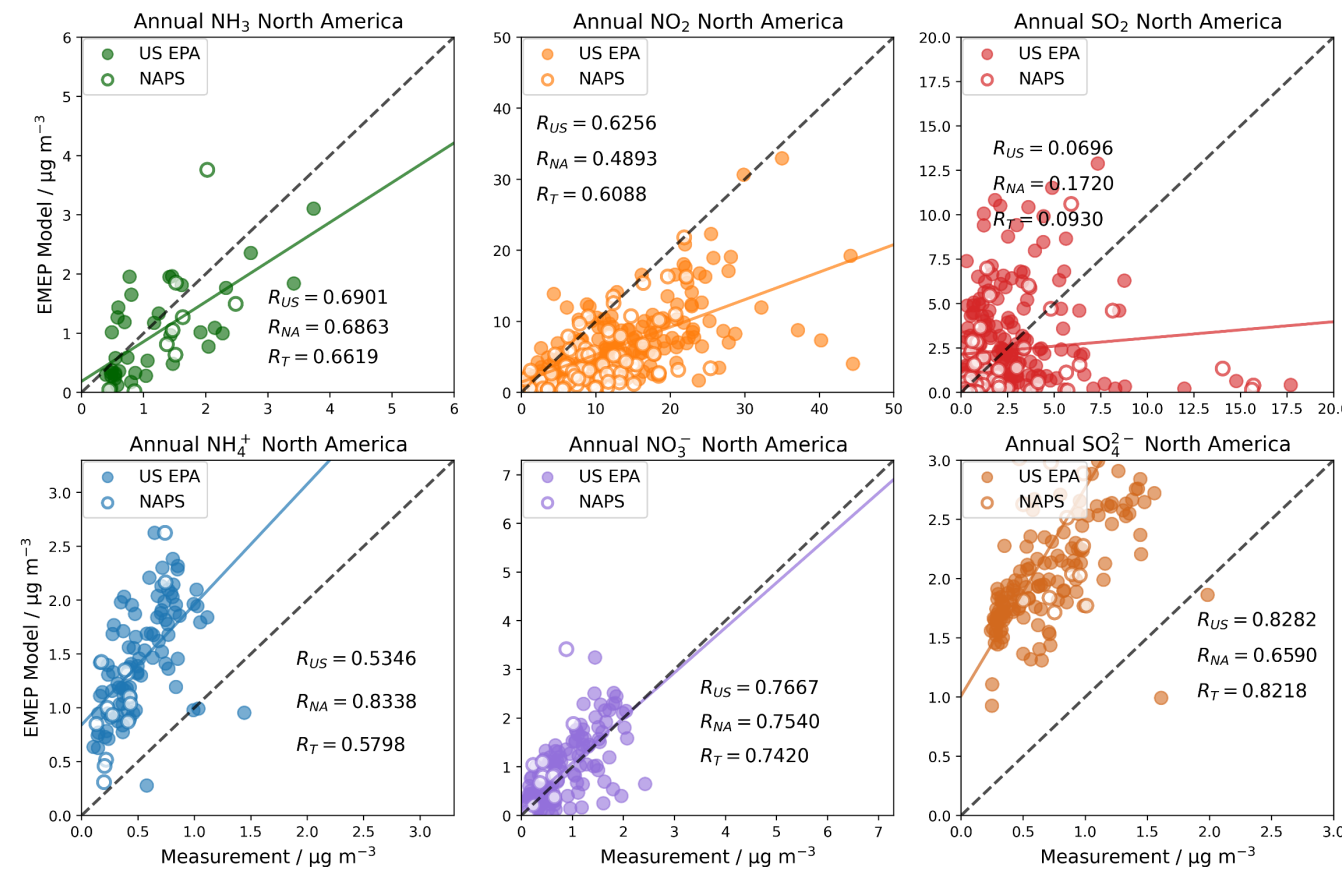
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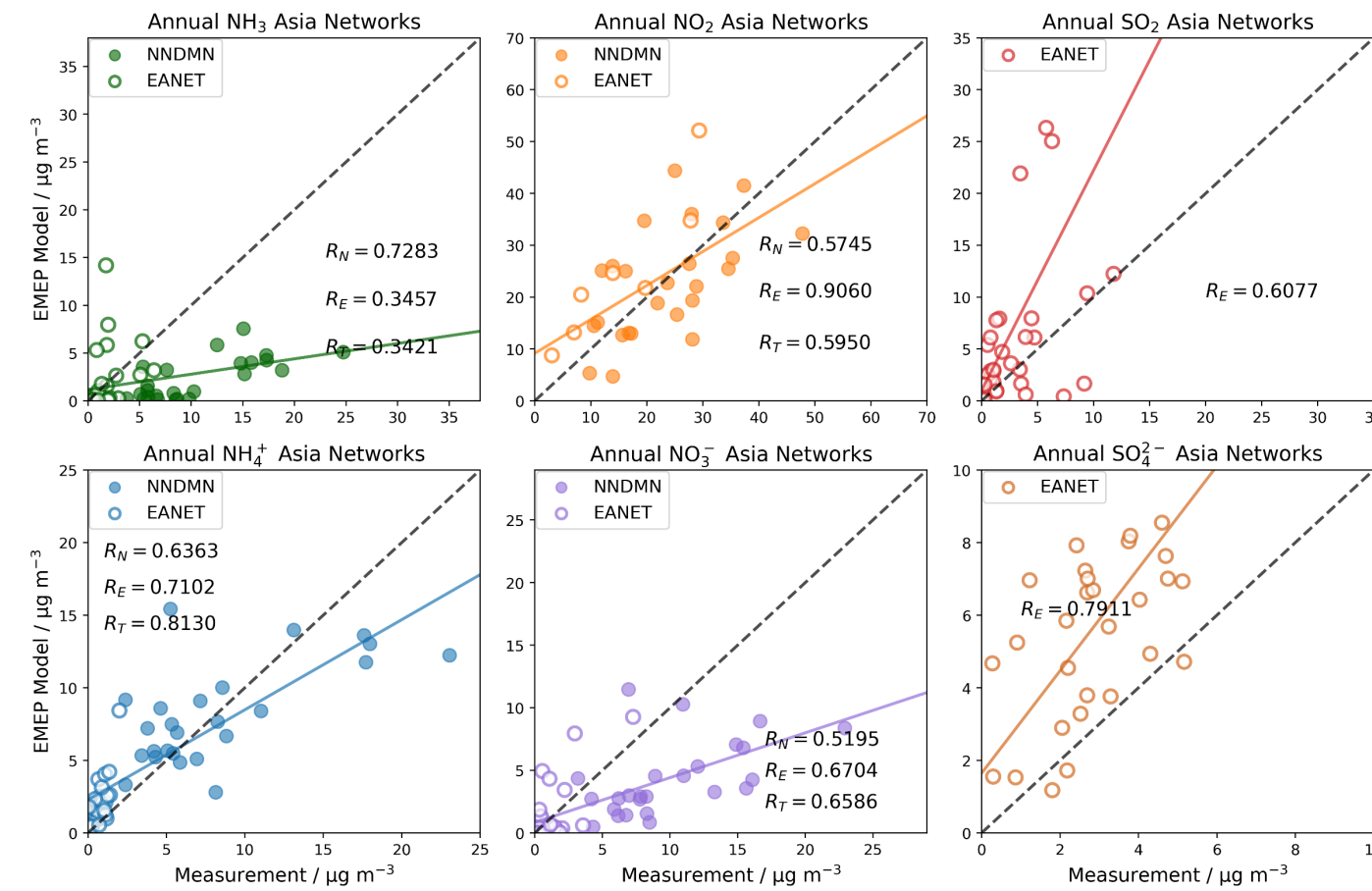


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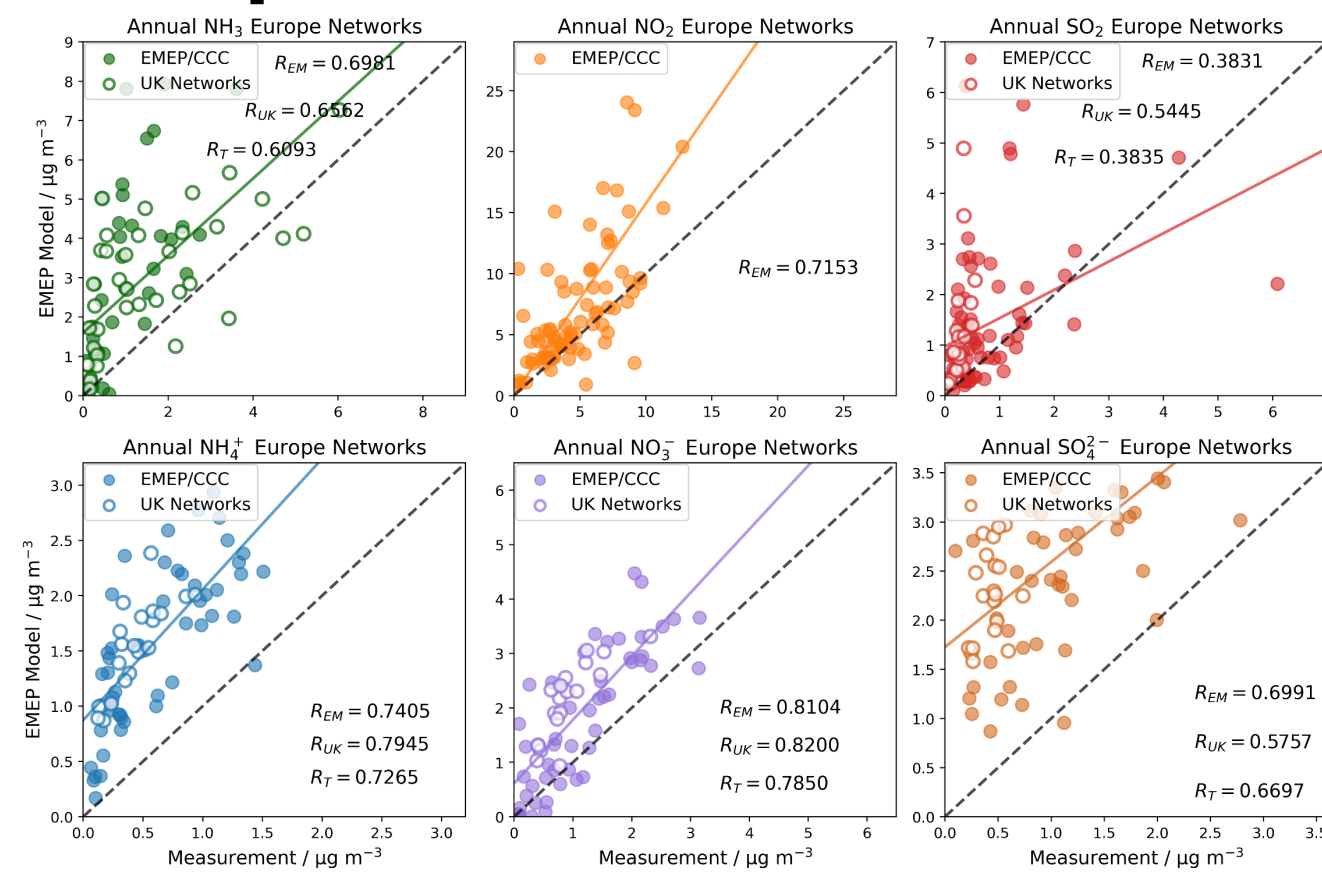
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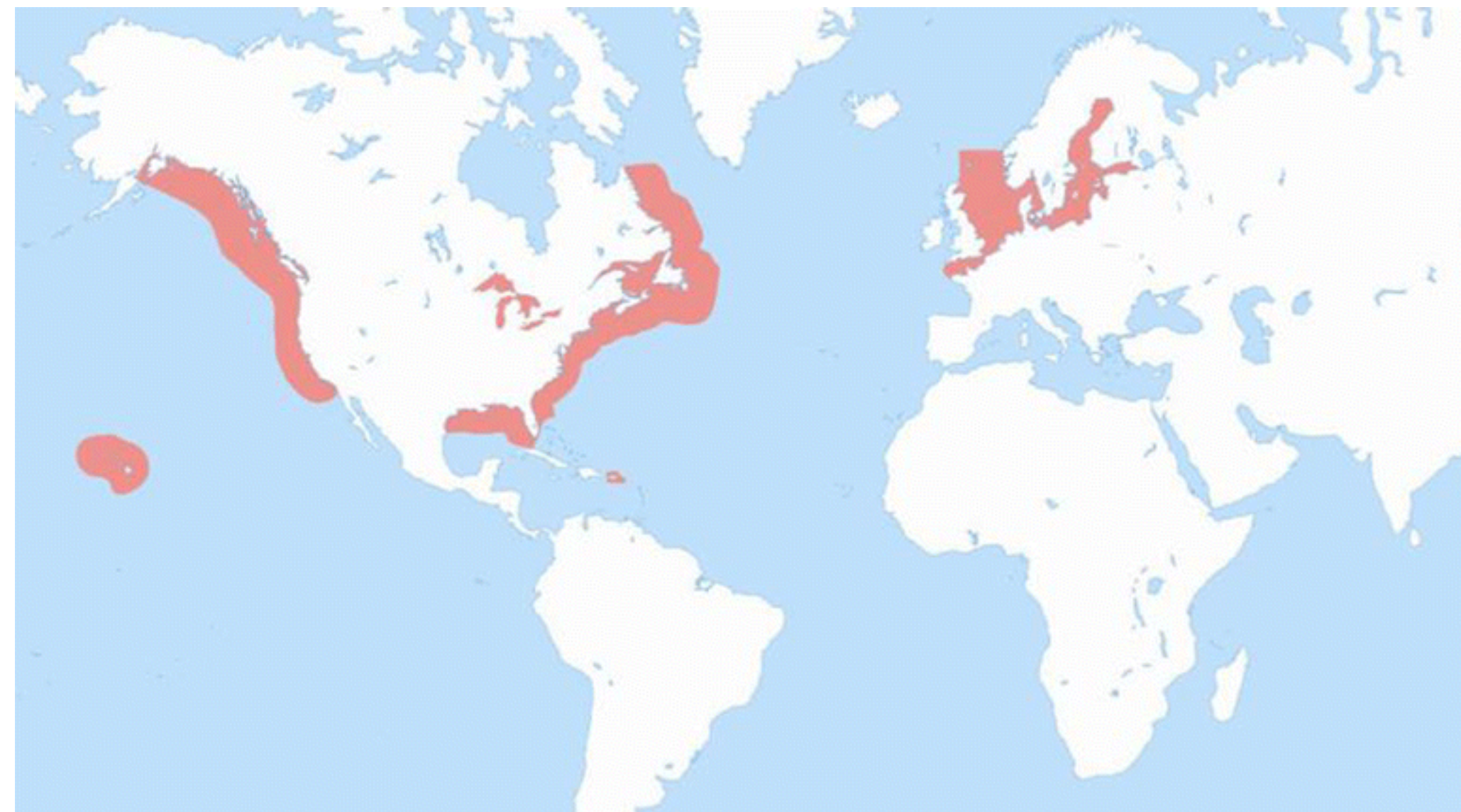


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