

FRP Emissions

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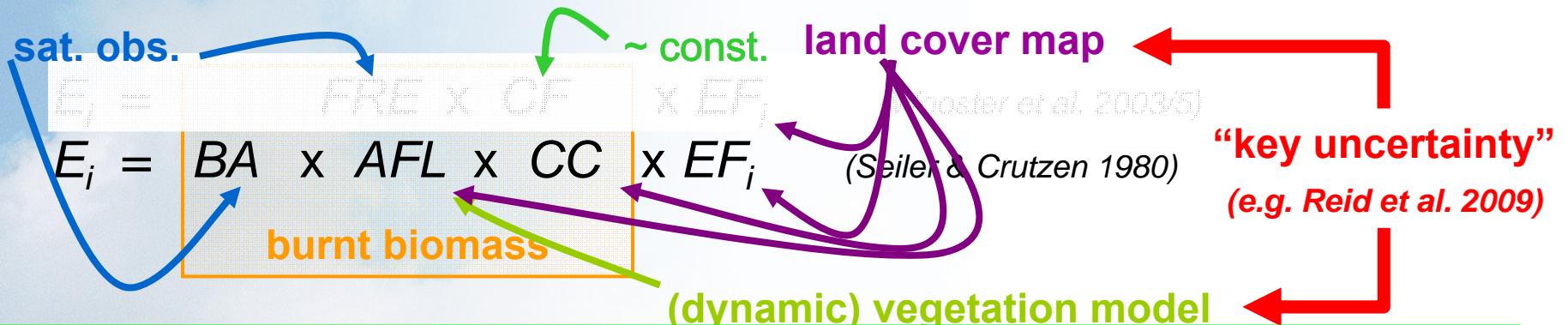


GOFC-Gold Fire IT
Wageningen, April 2013



Bottom-Up Estimation of Fire Emissions

promising best accuracy: MACC real time



most established, in particular GFED (van der Werf et al. 2010): MACC retrospective

E_i = emission of species i [kg(species i)]

BA = burnt area [m^2]

AFL = available fuel load [kg(biomass) / m^2]

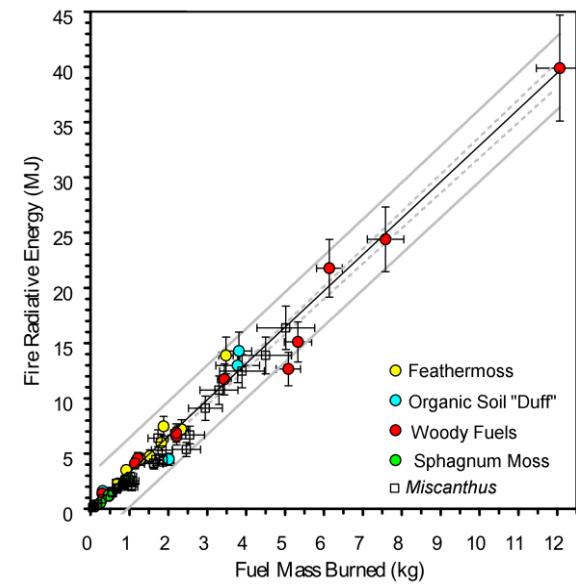
CC = combustion completeness [kg(burnt fuel) / kg (available fuel)]

EF_i = emission factor for species i [kg(species i) / kg(biomass)]

FRP = fire radiative power [W]

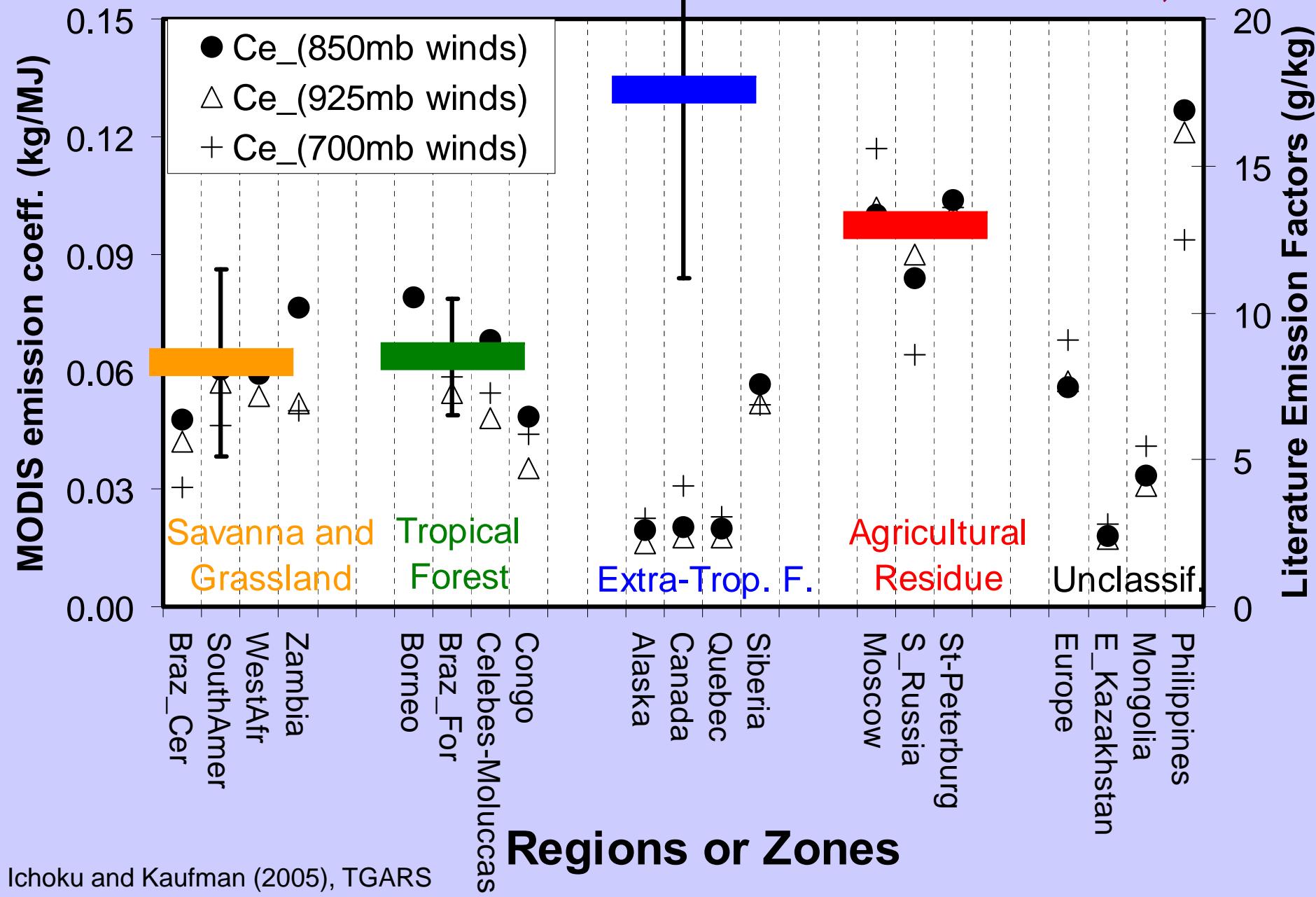
FRE = fire radiative energy [J] = $\int FRP(t) dt$

CF = conversion factor [kg(biomass) / W(FRE)]



graphics by M. Wooster

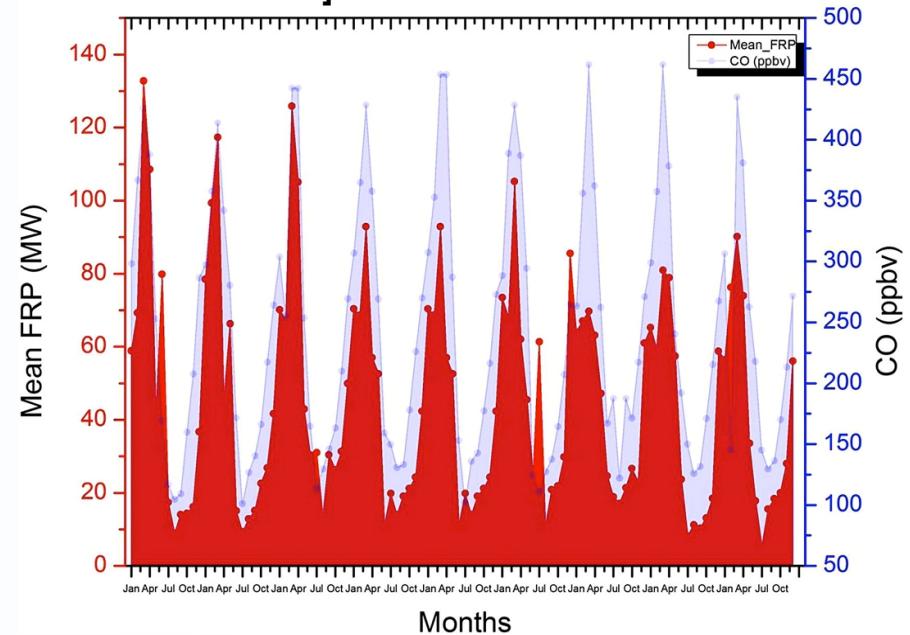
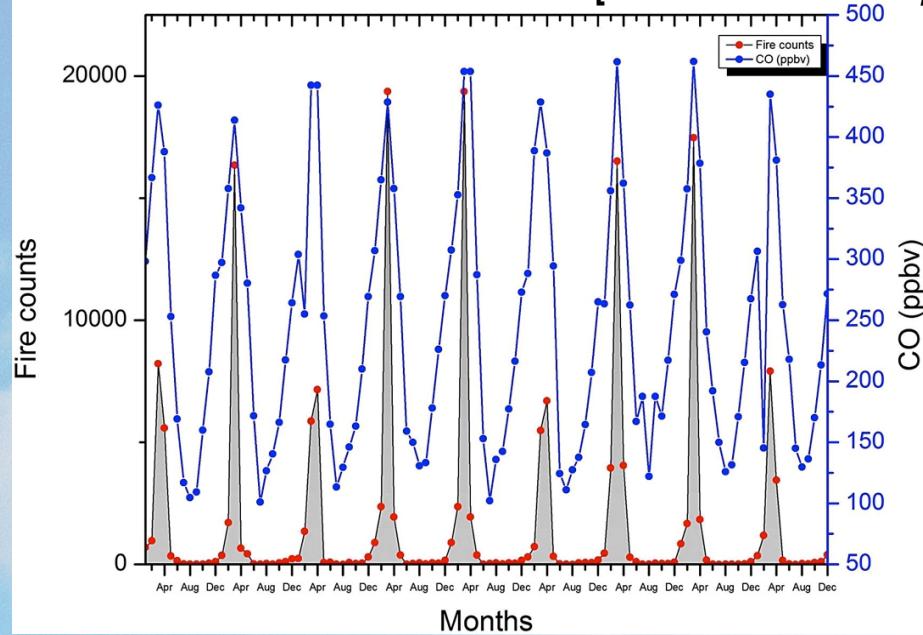
Qualitative Comparison of MODIS-derived Emission Coefficients and Literature Emission Factors from Andreae and Merlet, 2001



Why Fire Radiative Power (FRP)?

Atmospheric CO Concentration and Fire Observations in Northeast India

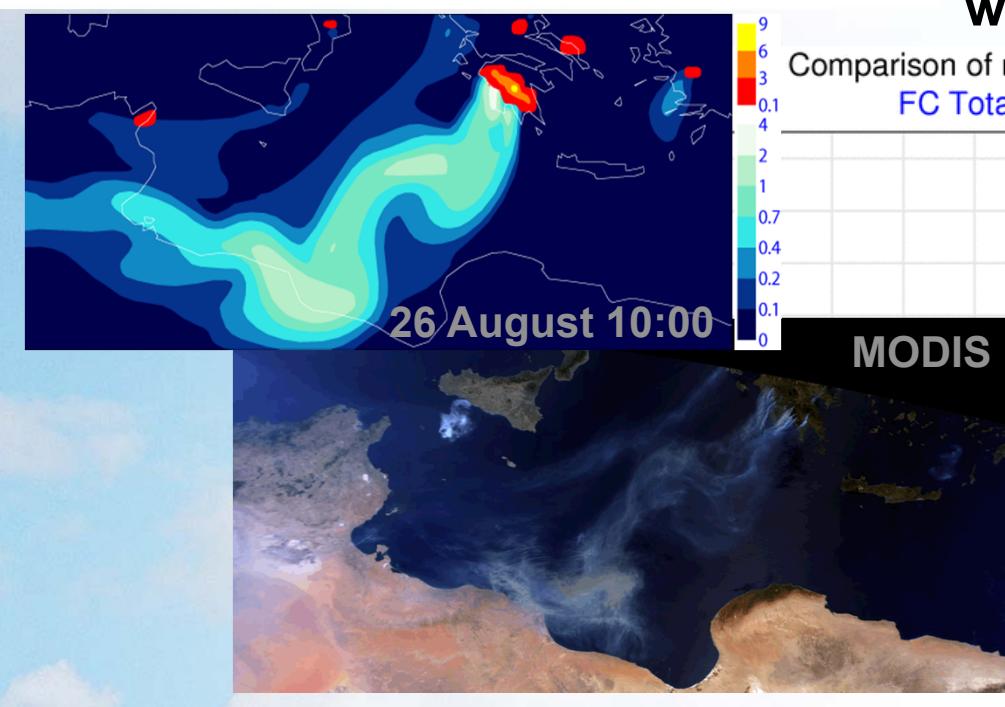
[Vadrevu et al. *Atmospheric Environment* 2012]



Advantages of FRP

- real time availability, low detection threshold (compared to burnt area)
- use quantitative observations, avoid assumptions on
 - available fuel load
 - combustion completeness(compared to fire counts)
- proven suitability for Air Quality applications

Modelled AOD of Greek Fire Plumes, August 2007



Emissions calculated from Fire Radiative Power observed by SEVIRI on Meteosat.

Emission factors from *Andreae & Merlet 2001* and *Ichoku & Kaufman 2005*.

Run at 25km global resolution, which is typical for regional models.

Global Fire Assimilation System (GFASv1.0)

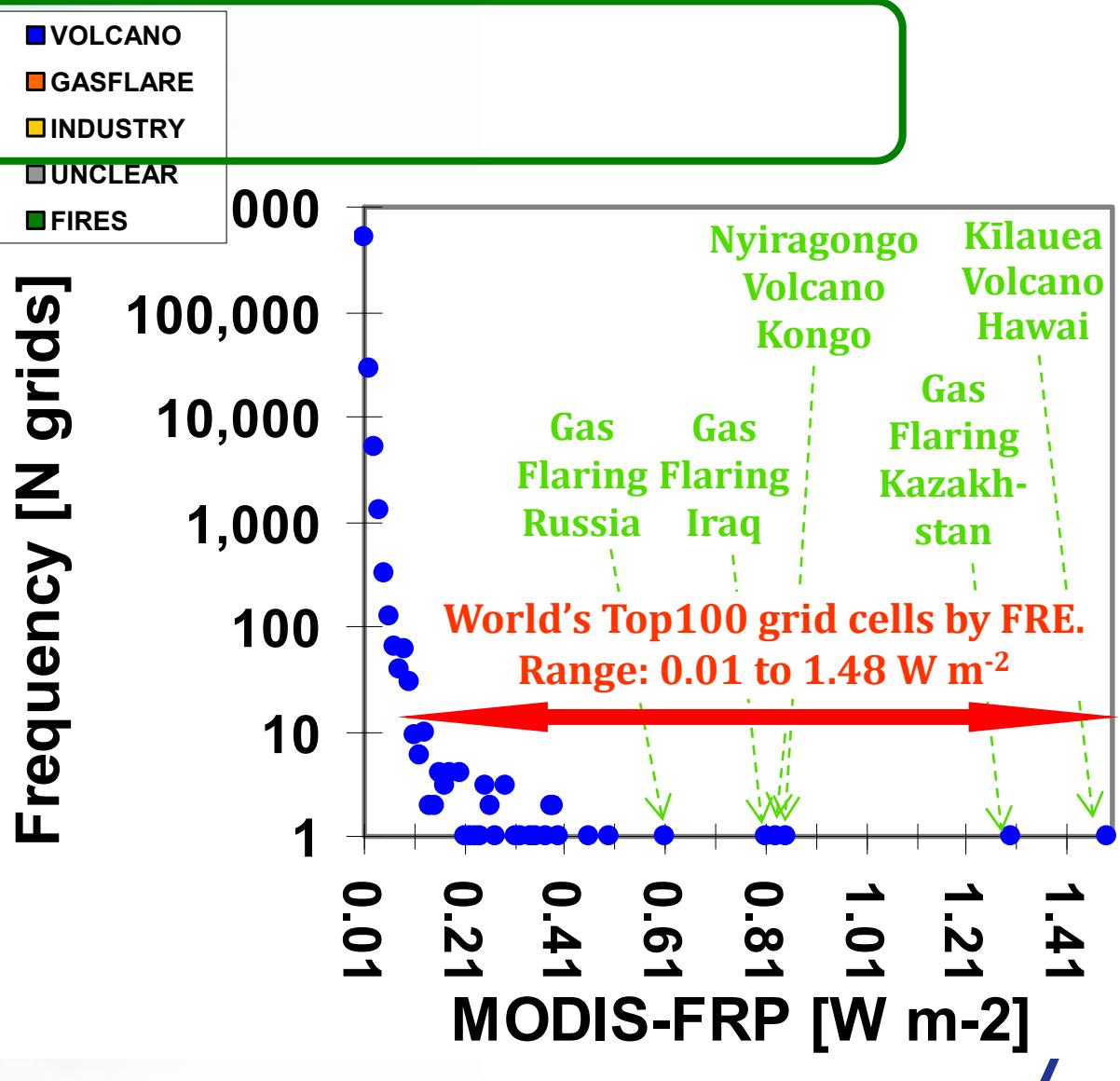
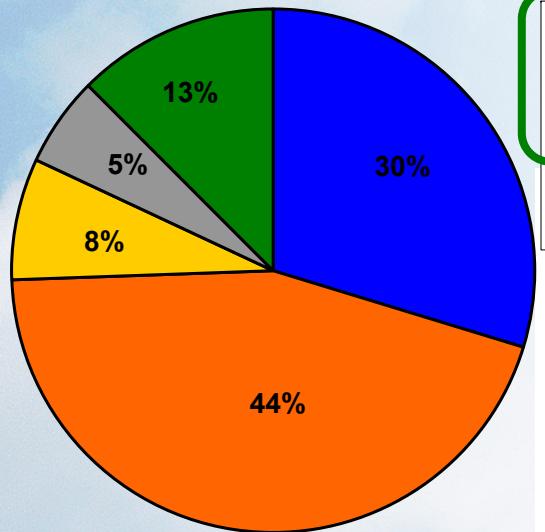
1. FRP observation input:
 - MODIS Aqua/Terra
2. gridding on global 0.5/0.1 deg grid
 - including FRP ≥ 0 corrects partial cloud cover
3. merging in 1-day slots
4. removal of spurious observations, e.g. gas flares
5. quality control
6. observation gap filling with Kalman filter, assuming
 - variance according to representativity error
 - errors spatially uncorrelated
 - fire persistence
7. fire type-dependent conversion to combustion rate
8. emission calculation
 - 40 gaseous & particulate species

Alberta, Canada, May 2010
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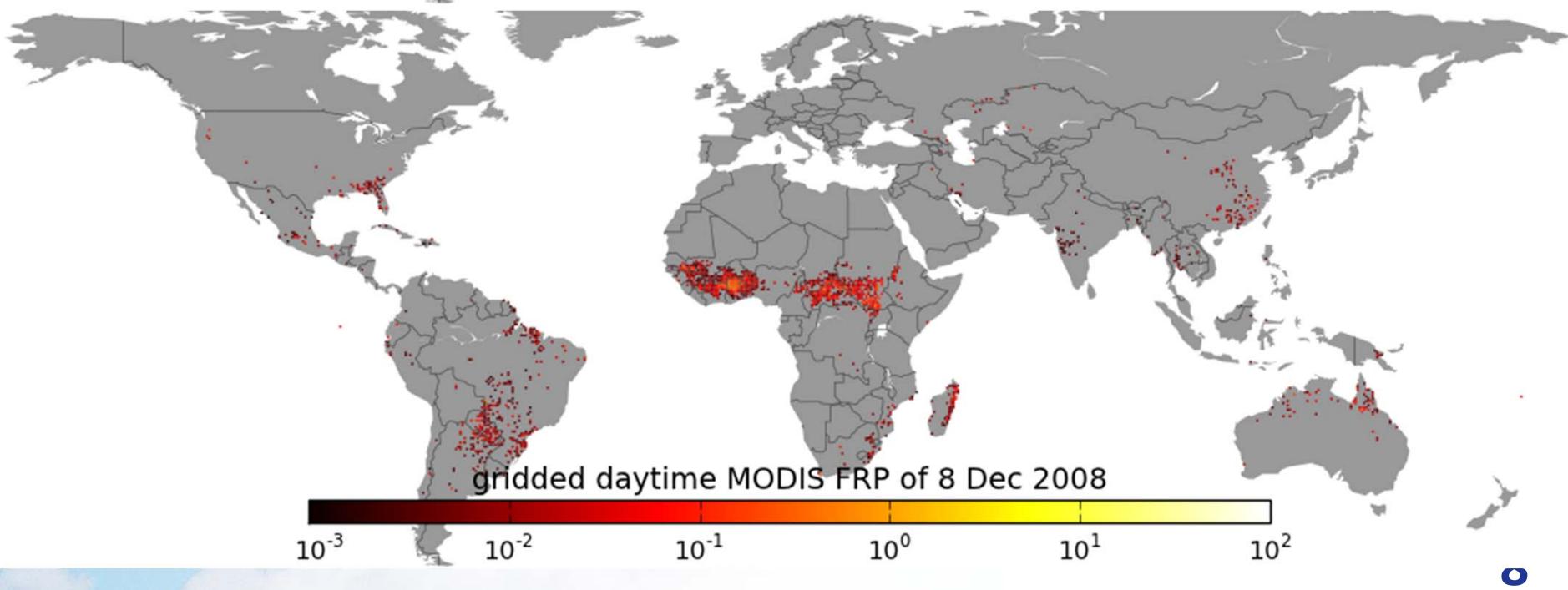
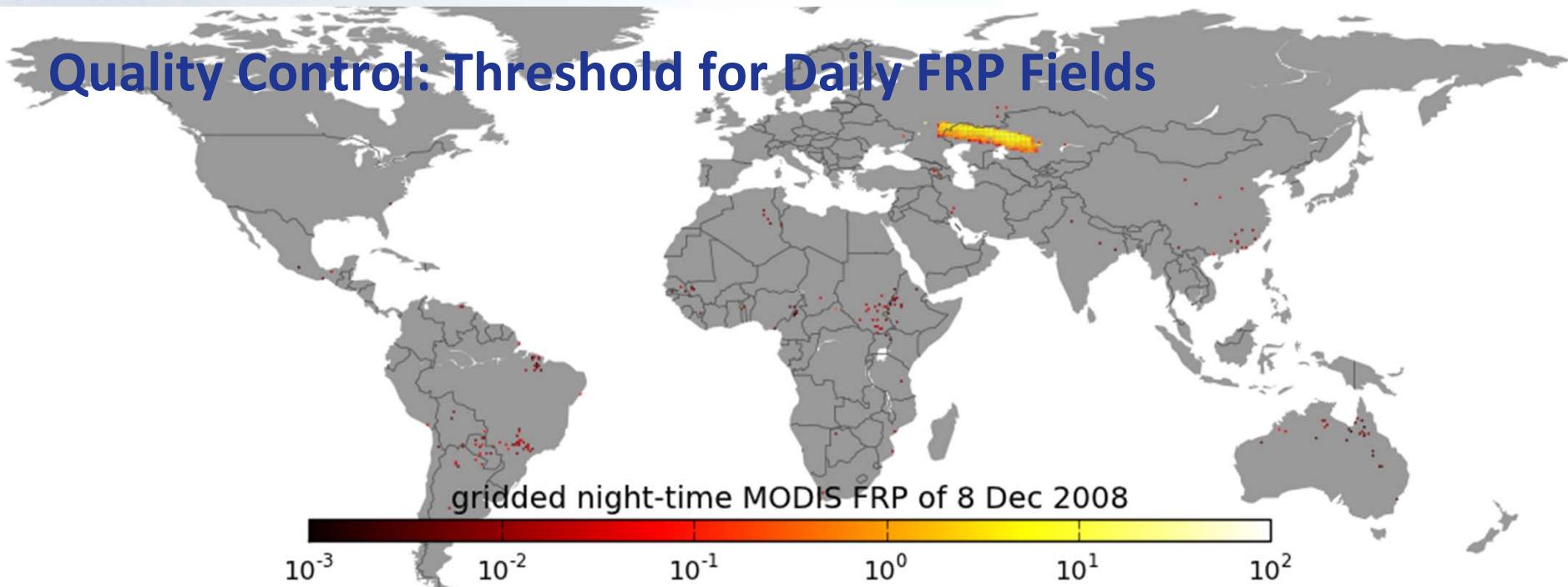
World's Top 100 Grid Cells by FRE: ~1.3% of

Total
masked in GFASv1

Top100 FRP: Source Categories
Contribution to total dry matter burned 2003-2009 equivalent
(Sum Top100 FRP grid cells: 172 Tg)

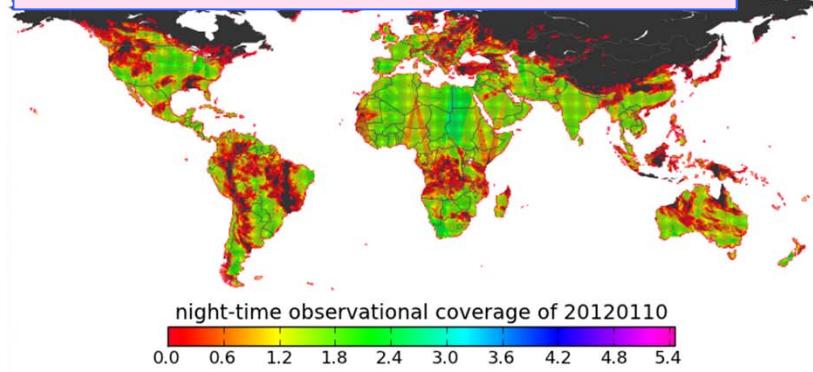


Quality Control: Threshold for Daily FRP Fields

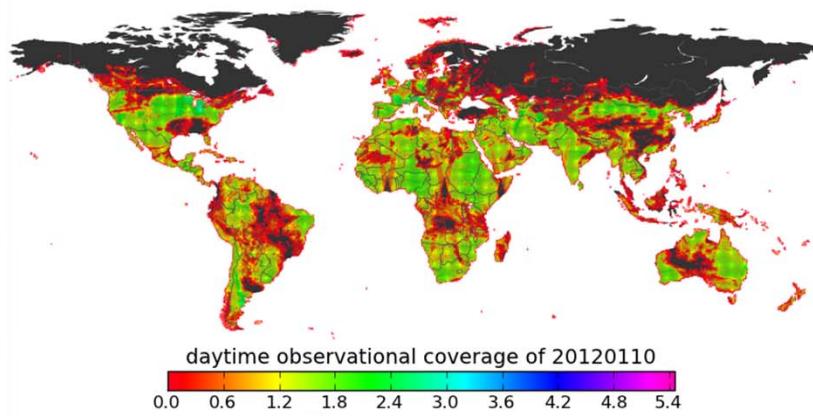


MODIS FRP Assimilation

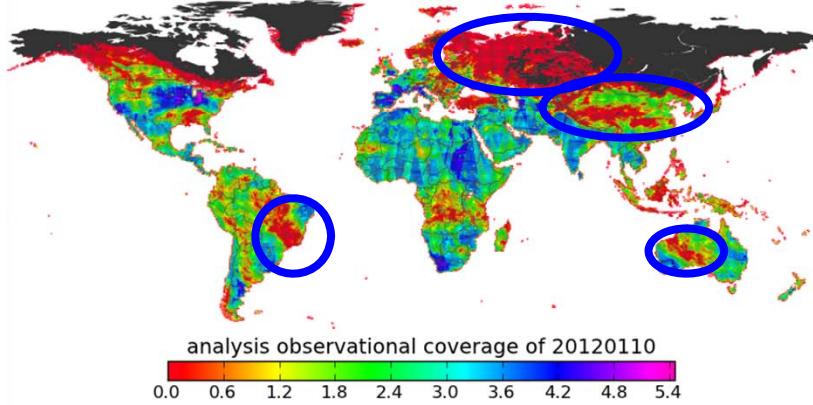
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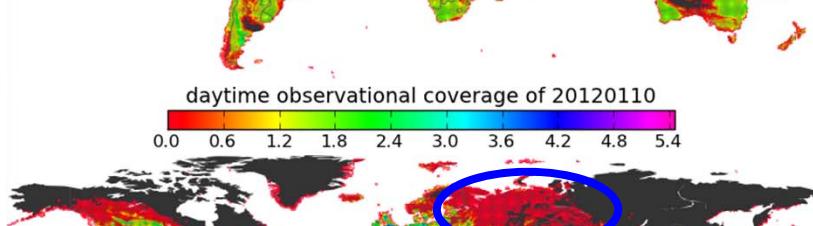
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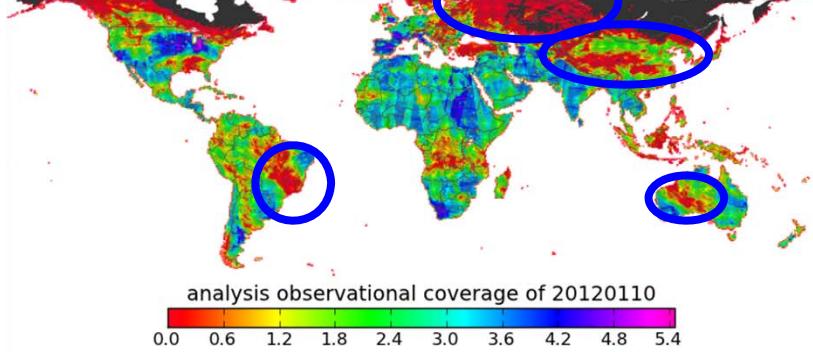
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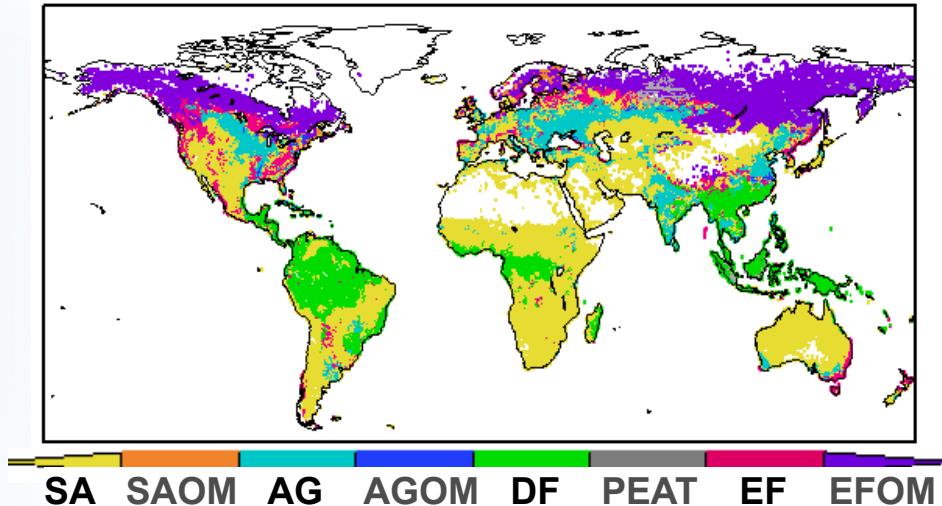
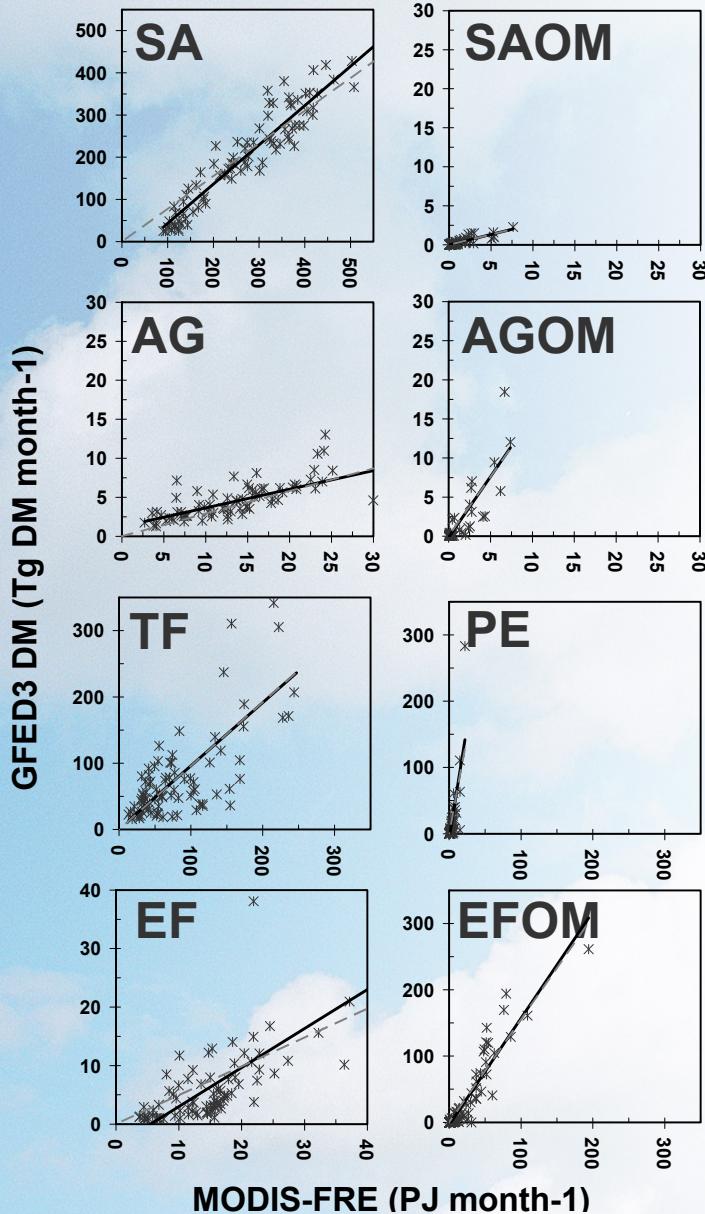
daytime observations



24-hour analysis



FRP conversion factor analysis against GFEDv3



SA: savannah fires
SAOM: SA with potential OM burning
AG: agricultural fires
AGOM: AG with potential OM burning
DF: tropical fires
PEAT: peat burning
EF: extra-tropical fires
EFOM: EF with potential OM burning

Conversion factor depends on dominant fire type!

(adapted from Heil et al., ECMWF TM628, 2010)

Land-cover specific conversion is a combined approach.

- consistent with GFED3 inventory (within its accuracy)
- advantages
 - quantitative information
 - low detection threshold
 - real-time availability

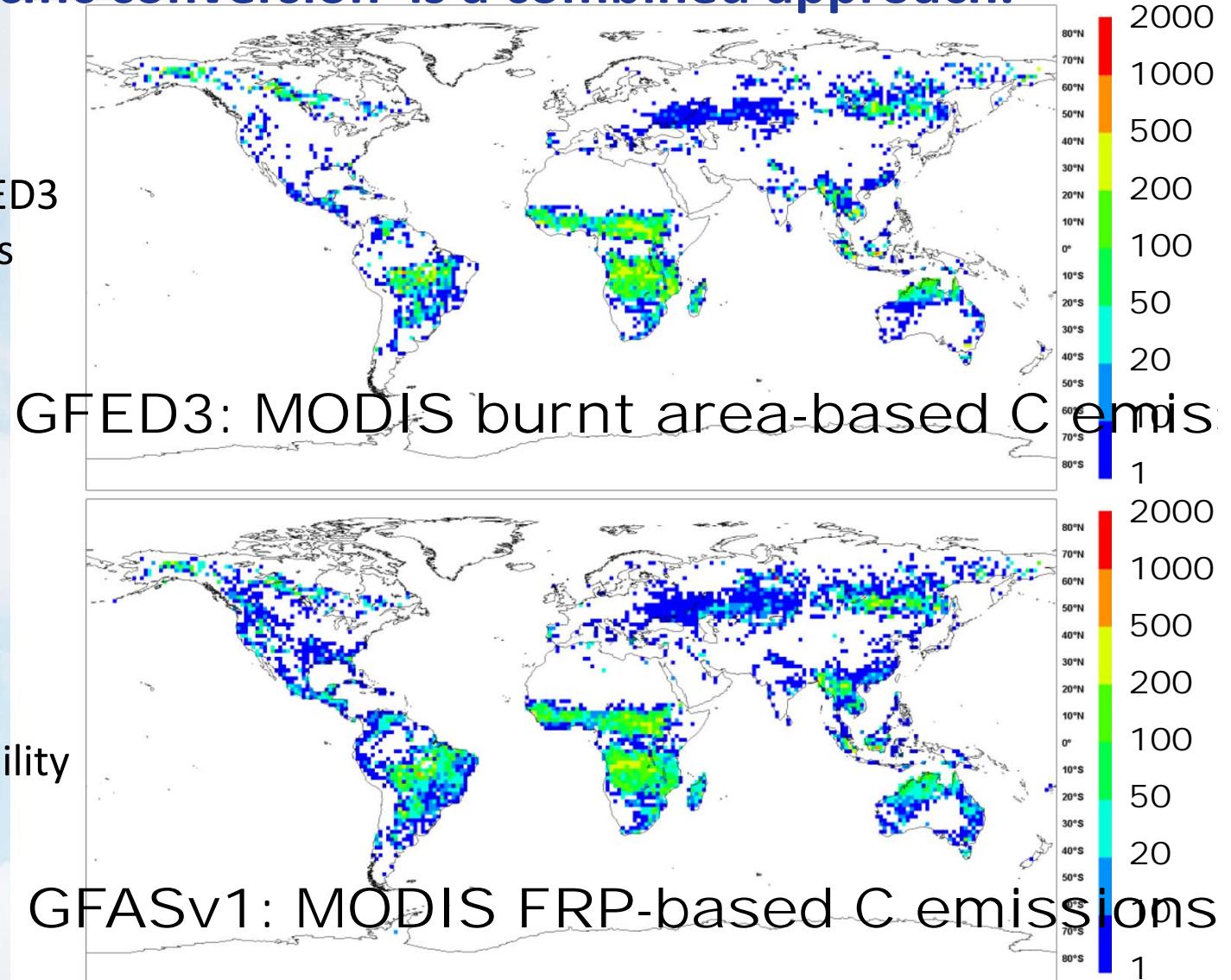
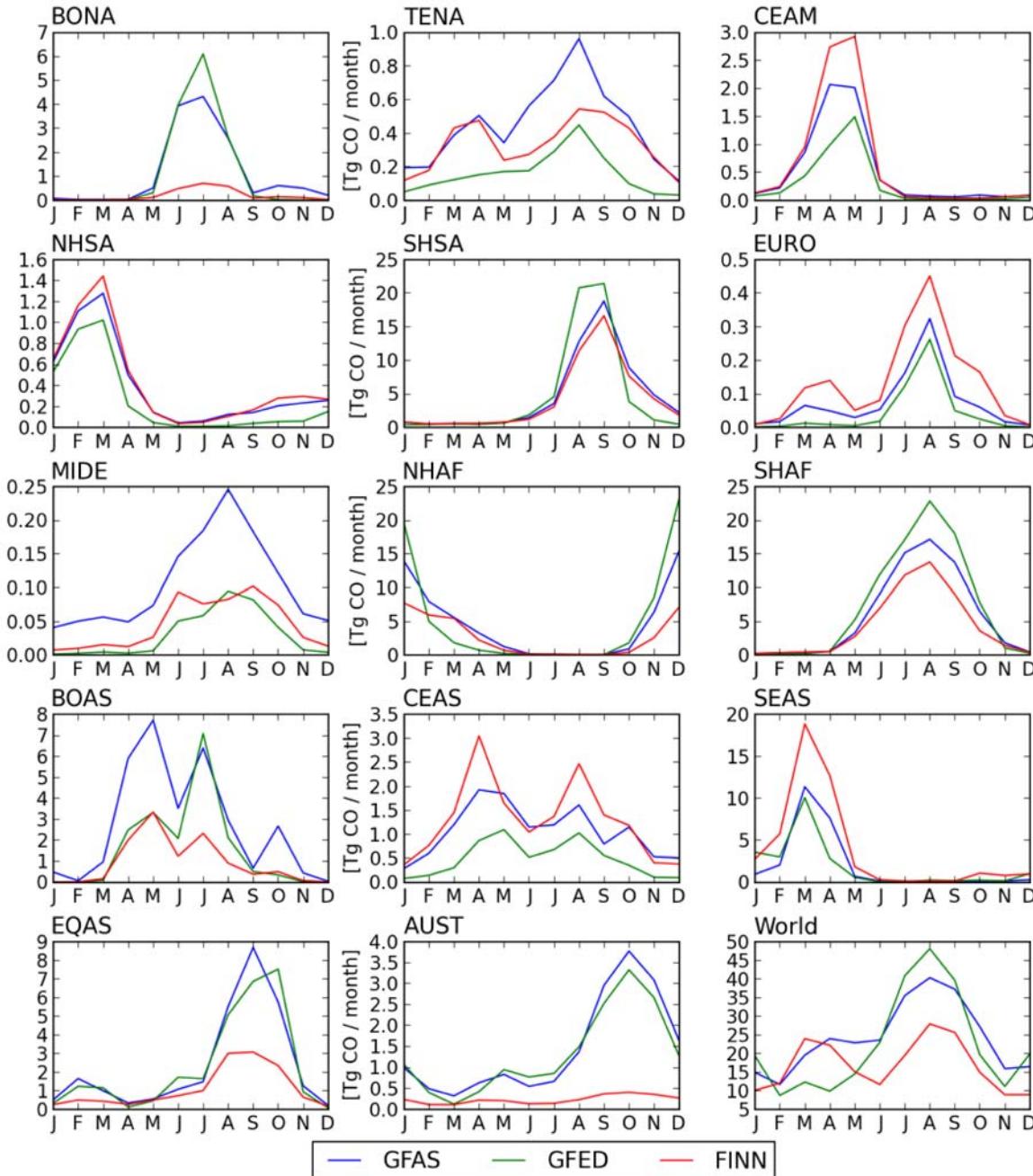


Fig. 5. Average distribution of carbon combustion [$\text{g}(\text{C}) \text{ a}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$] during 2003–2008 in GFED3.1 (top) and GFASv1.0 (bottom).
(Kaiser et al. 2011)

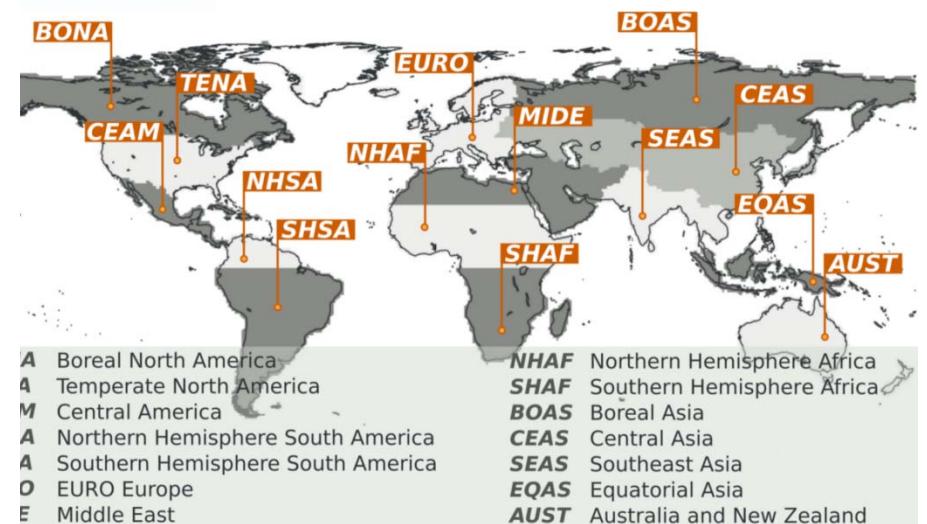
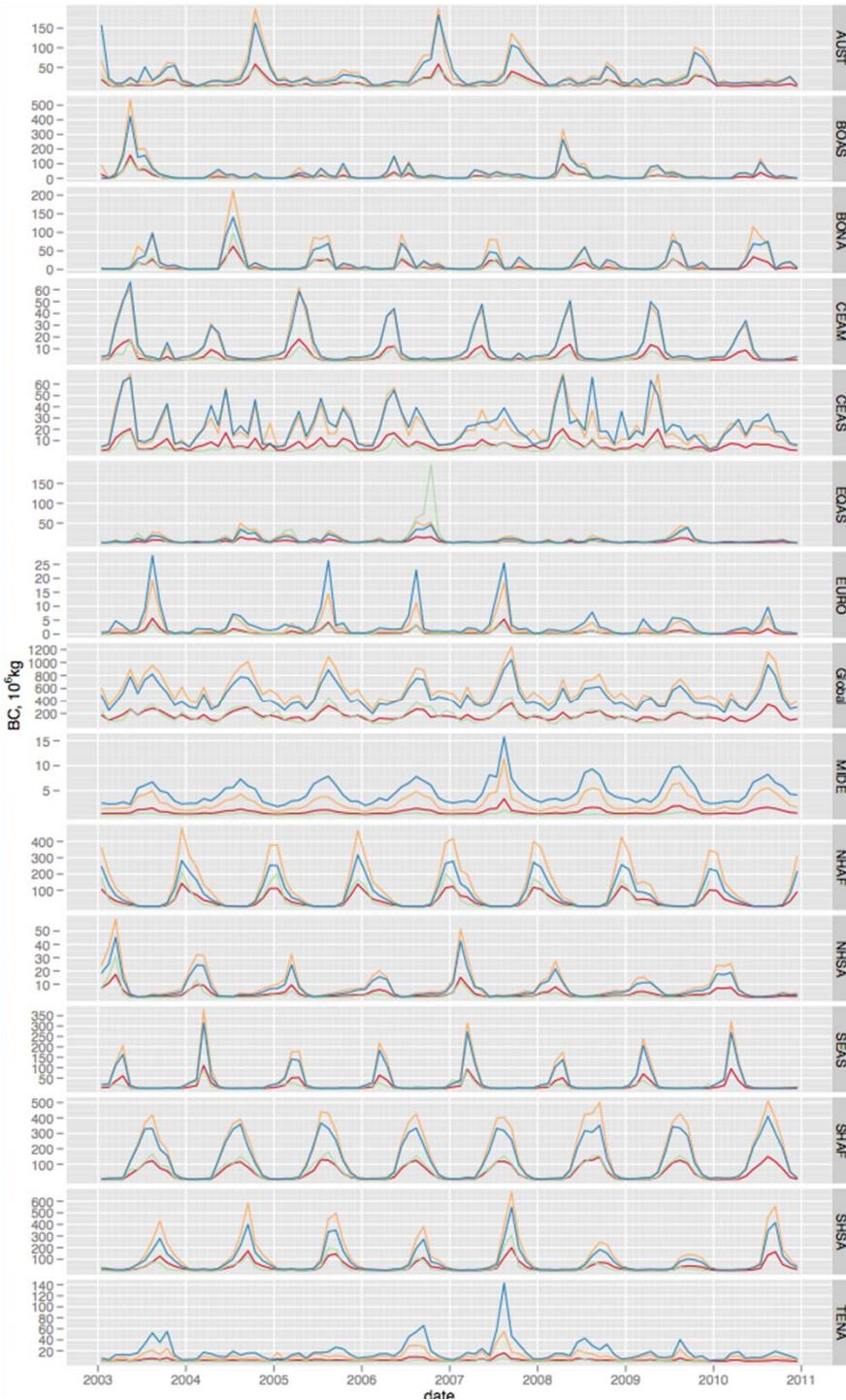
Comparison to other inventories: Monthly CO emissions



by Niels Andela

Black Carbon Cross-validation

- GFASv1.0 (with aerosol enhancement) compares well with NASA's QFEDv2.2.



(courtesy A. da Silva)

Two approaches, with consistent results:

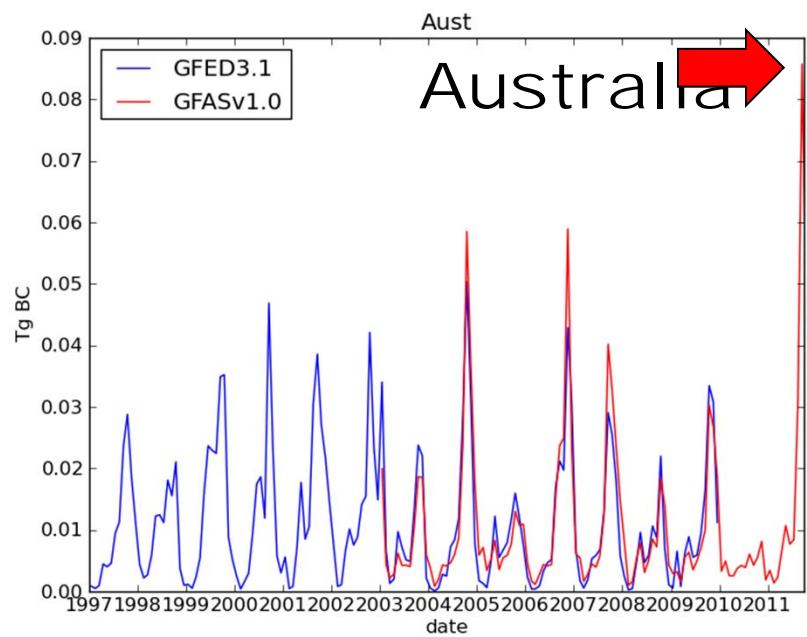
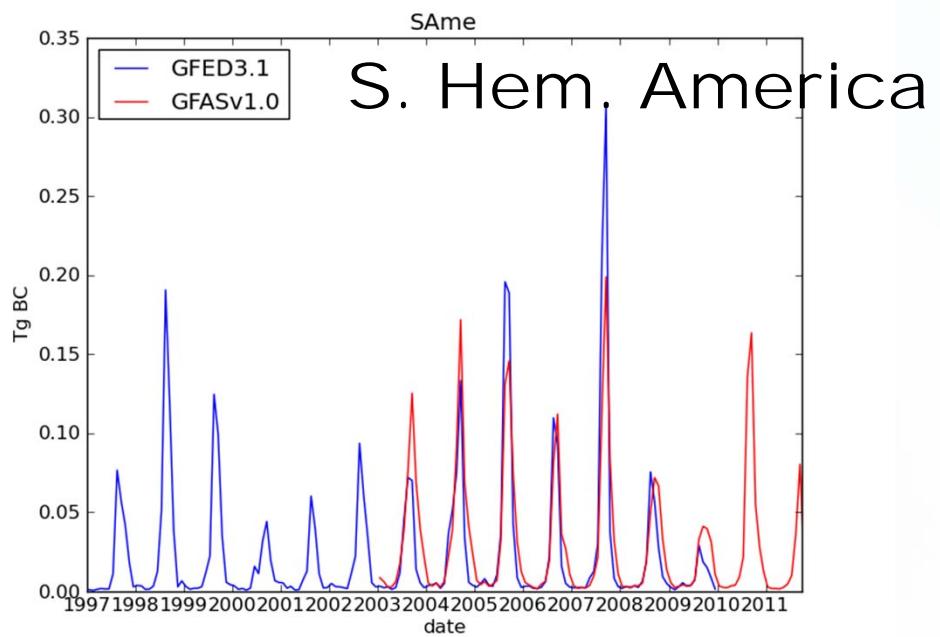
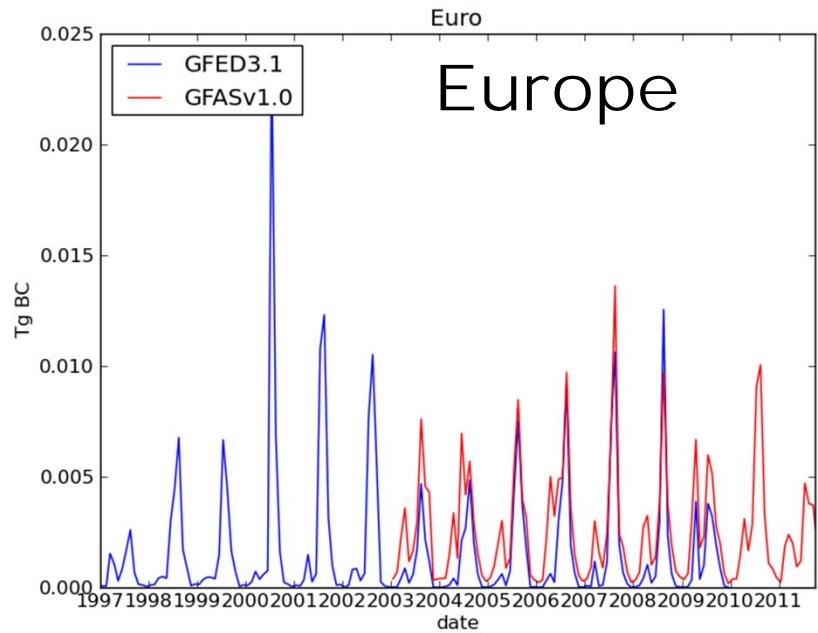
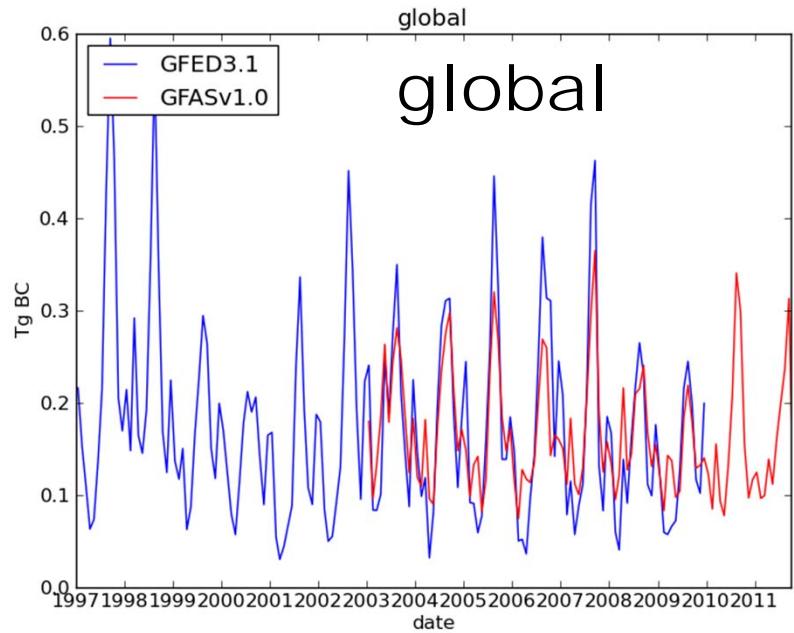
Ichoku, da Silva, Sofiev

- scale FRP empirically to emissions as observed in plumes
- geographical dependence
- possibly extend to other species with relative emission factors

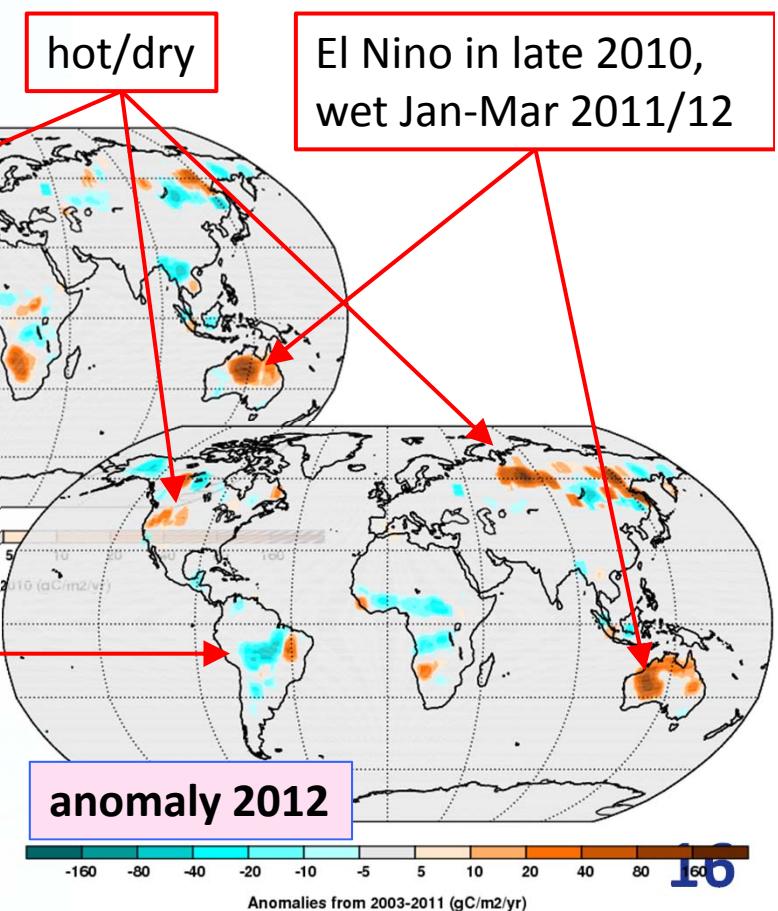
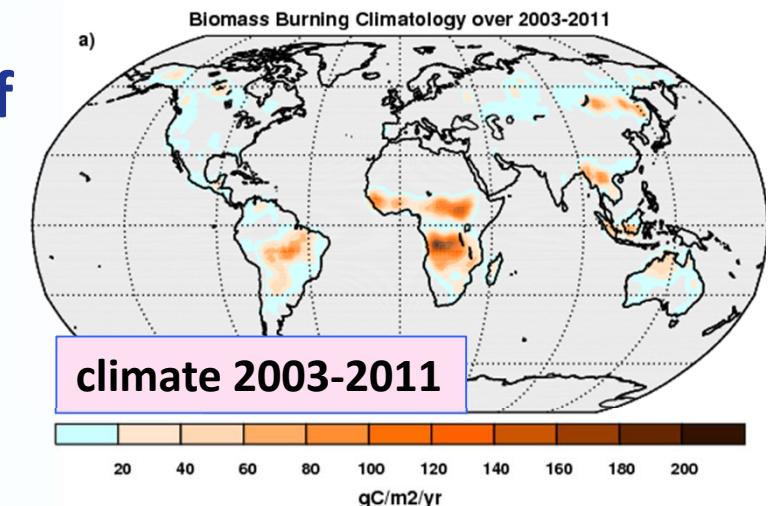
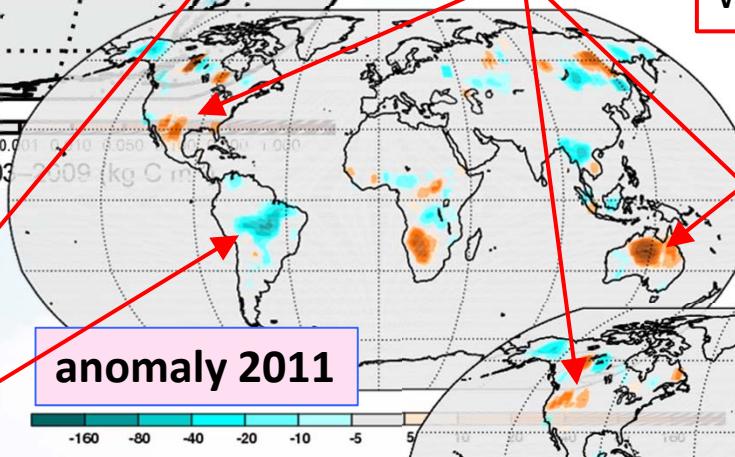
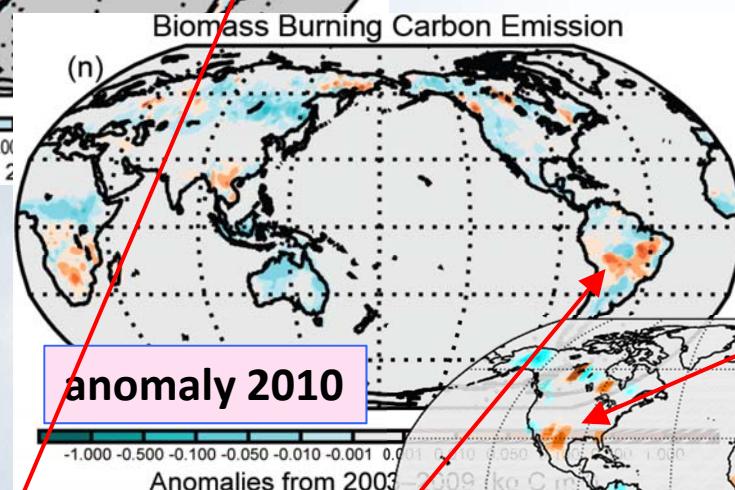
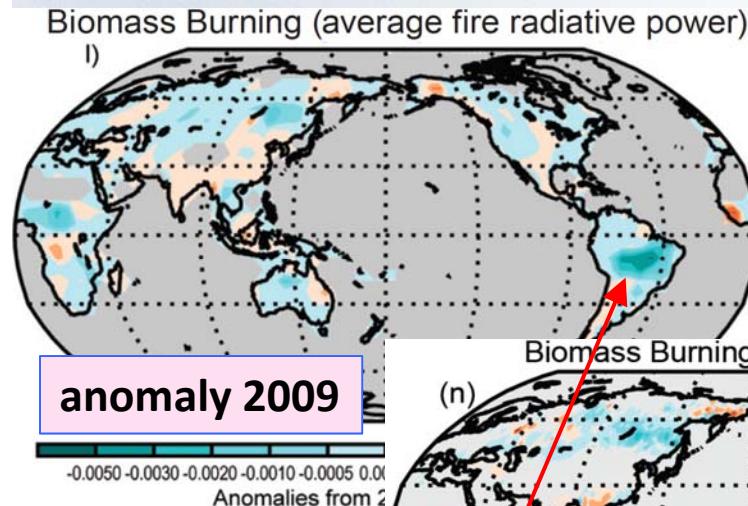
Wooster, Kaiser

- scale FRP to DM as prescribed in GFED
- fire type dependence
- adjust single species emission factors to atmospheric observations
- Without CO₂ observations, the parameters remain underdetermined ☹

Monthly C emission up to September 2011



Monitoring of ECV Fire Disturbance



Annual fire anomalies in NOAA's
State of the Climate reports.

[Kaiser & van der Werf. *BAMS* 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013]

Key Features

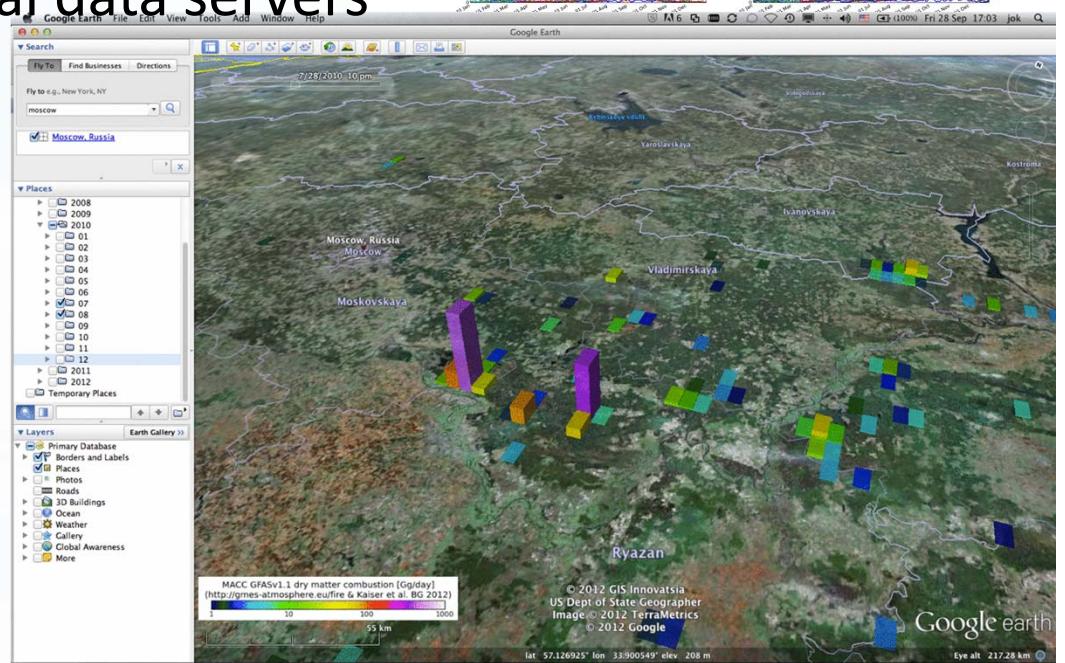
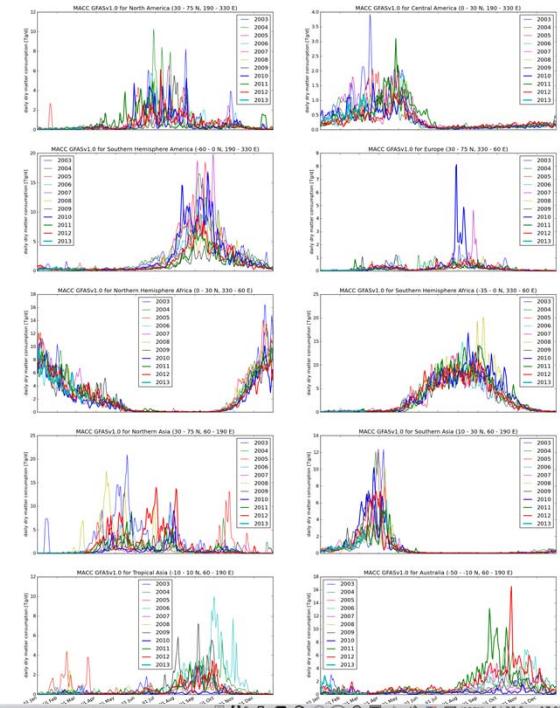
satellite-based FRP assimilation :

- global coverage
- NRT availability
- daily resolution (tests: hourly)
- similar maturity as BA approach

MACC-GFAS:

- publicly available in several data servers
- various product formats:
 - GRIB
 - NetCDF
 - GIF map
 - PNG spaghetti plot
 - KML

<http://gmes-atmosphere.eu/fire>



Real-time Supply Chain

Data providers: (acquired by OBS)

- NASA: MODIS FRP
- EUMETSAT LSASAF: SEVIRI FRP
 - UCAR: GOES-E/-W rad.
 - ECMWF: met. forecasts

MACC FRP processing:

- KCL (IM): GOES-E/-W FRP

MACC GFAS processing:

- GFAS @ ECMWF
 - assimilated FRP
 - combustion rate
 - emissions
 - (injection heights)

archives @ ECMWF:

- ECFS
- MARS

archive @ FZJ:

- OGC web server

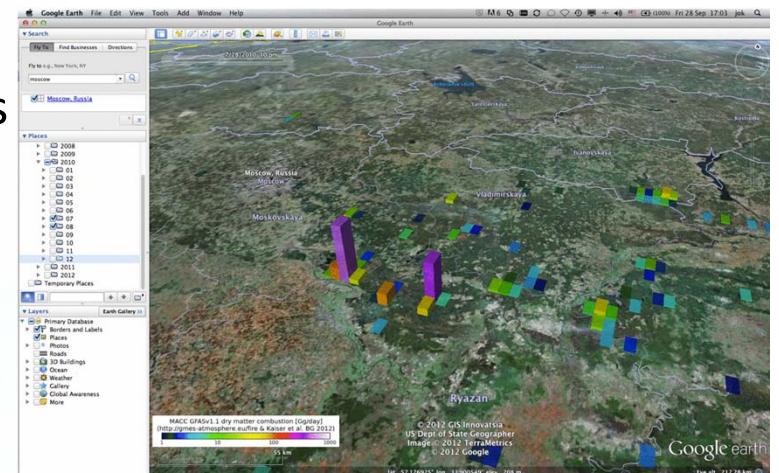
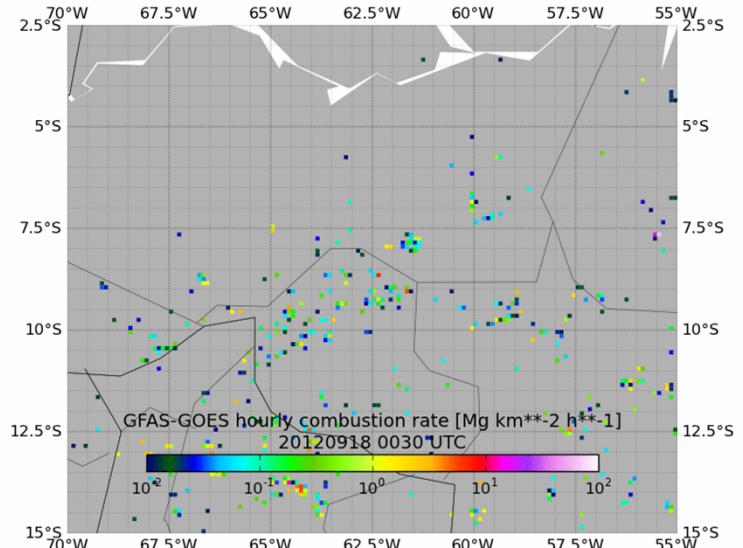
GEIA archive:

- OGC web server

USERS

Conclusions

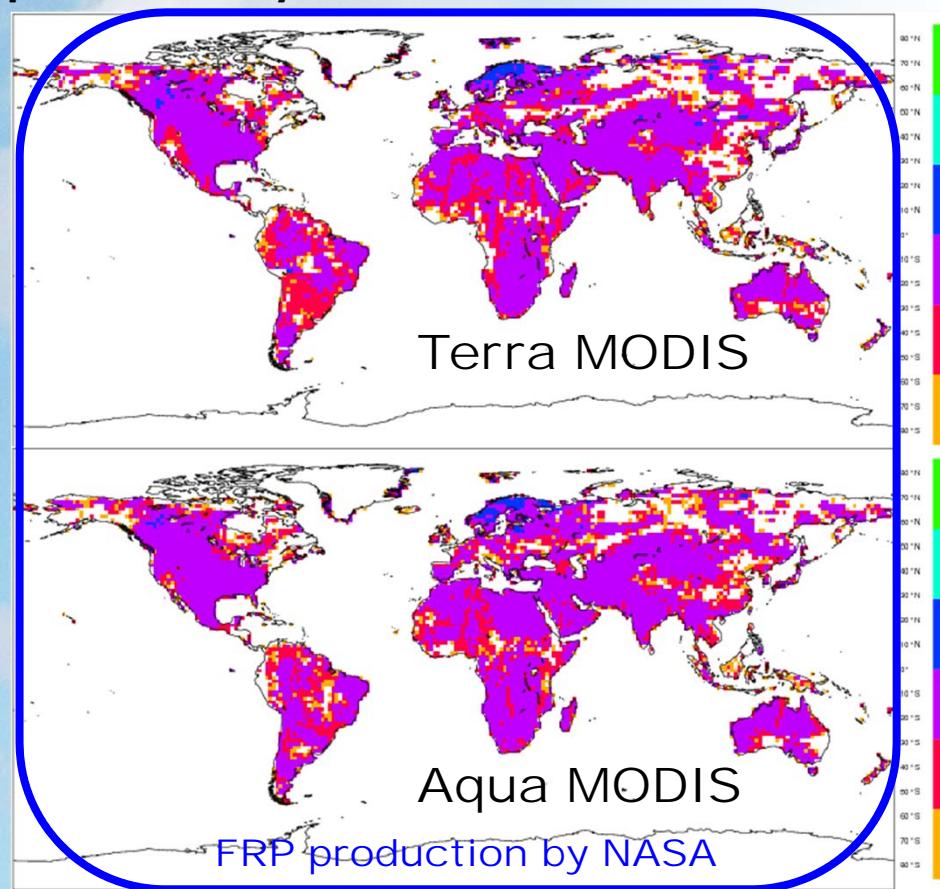
- MACC GFAS is producing daily biomass burning estimates
 - for 40 smoke constituents
 - in real time
 - publicly available
- All global MACC systems consistently use GFAS emissions.
- More and more regional air quality systems use GFAS.
- GFAS compares well with other inventories.
- Feedback from atmospheric validation is becoming more widely available.
- Many uncertainties remain. Current developments focus on
 - plume rise model
 - merging of geostationary FRP observations
 - 5-day fire evolution prediction
 - improved emission factor formulation
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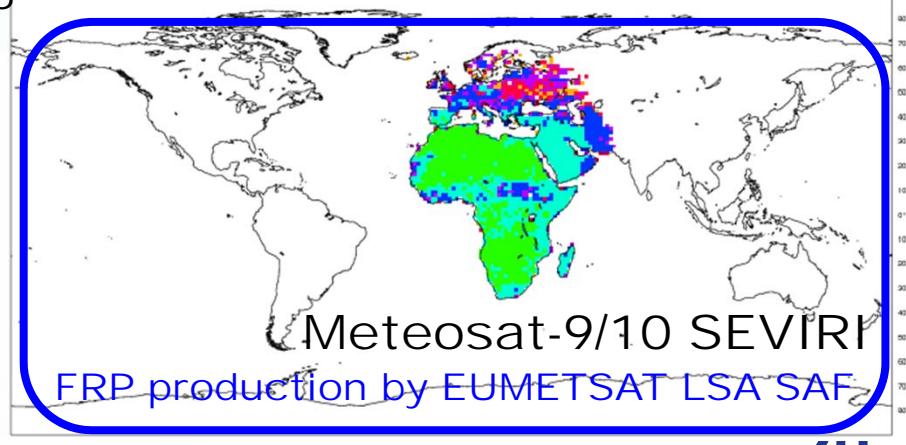
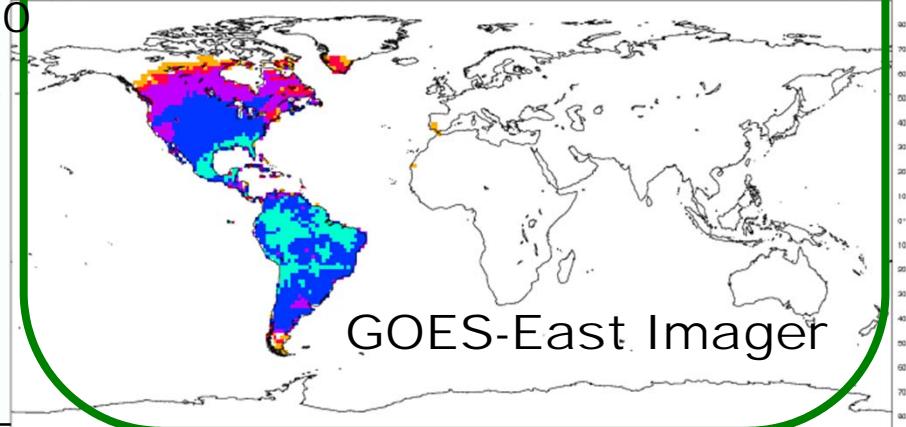
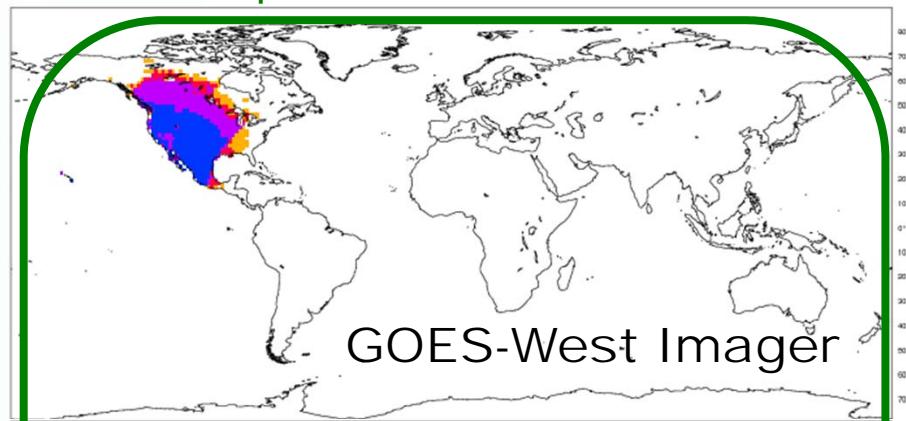
Observational FRP Coverage

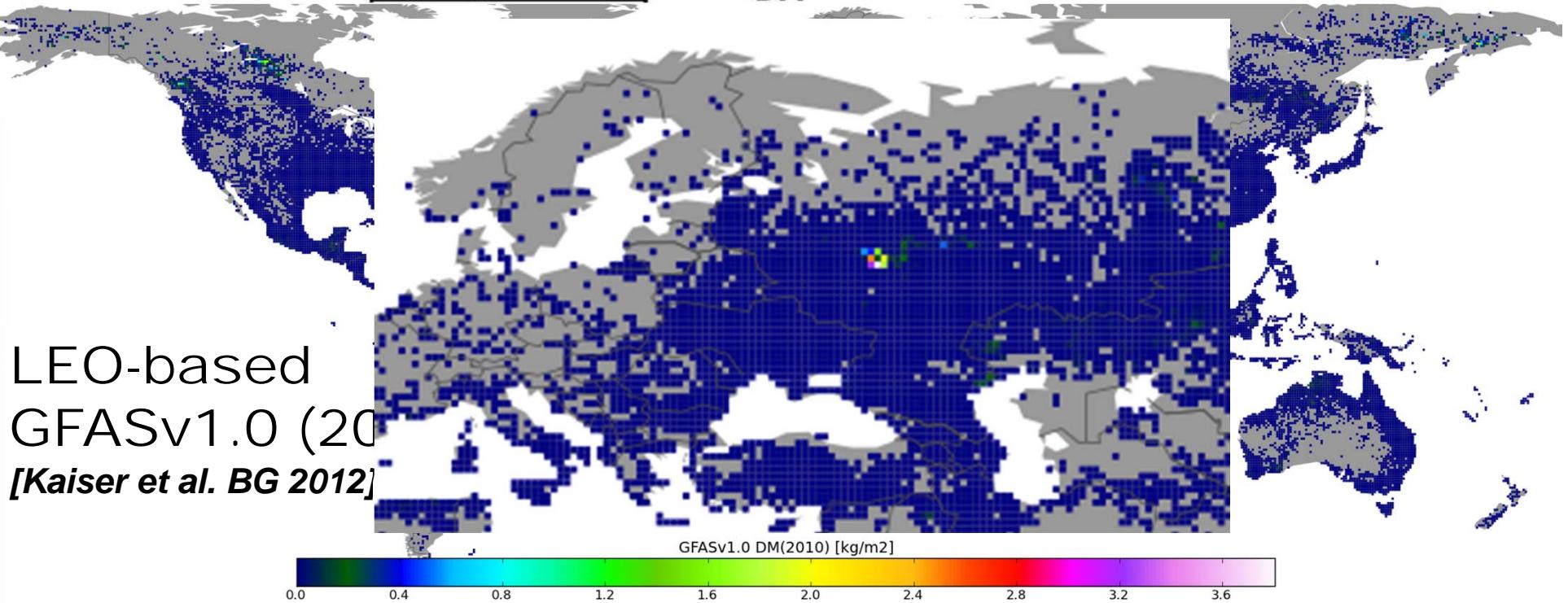
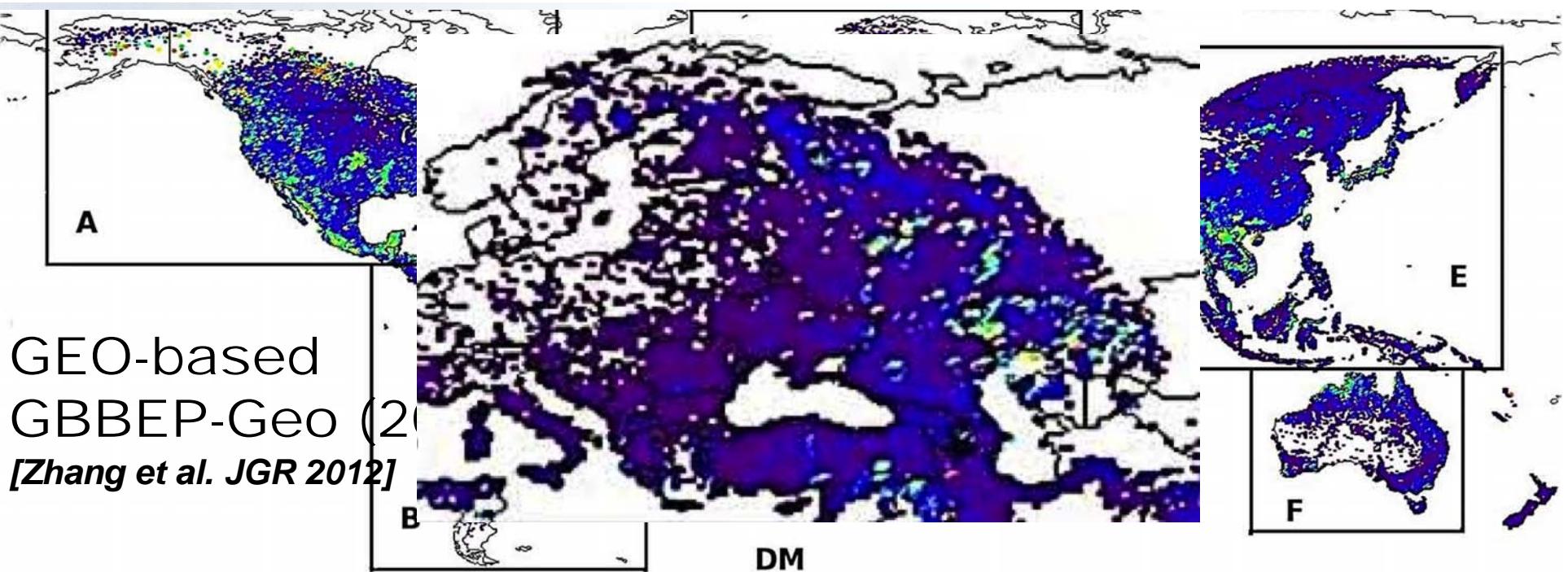
- average number of observations
 - damped for large VA
- of any area in 0.5 deg grid cell
- during 1 day

[Kaiser et al. 2011]



FRP production in MACC

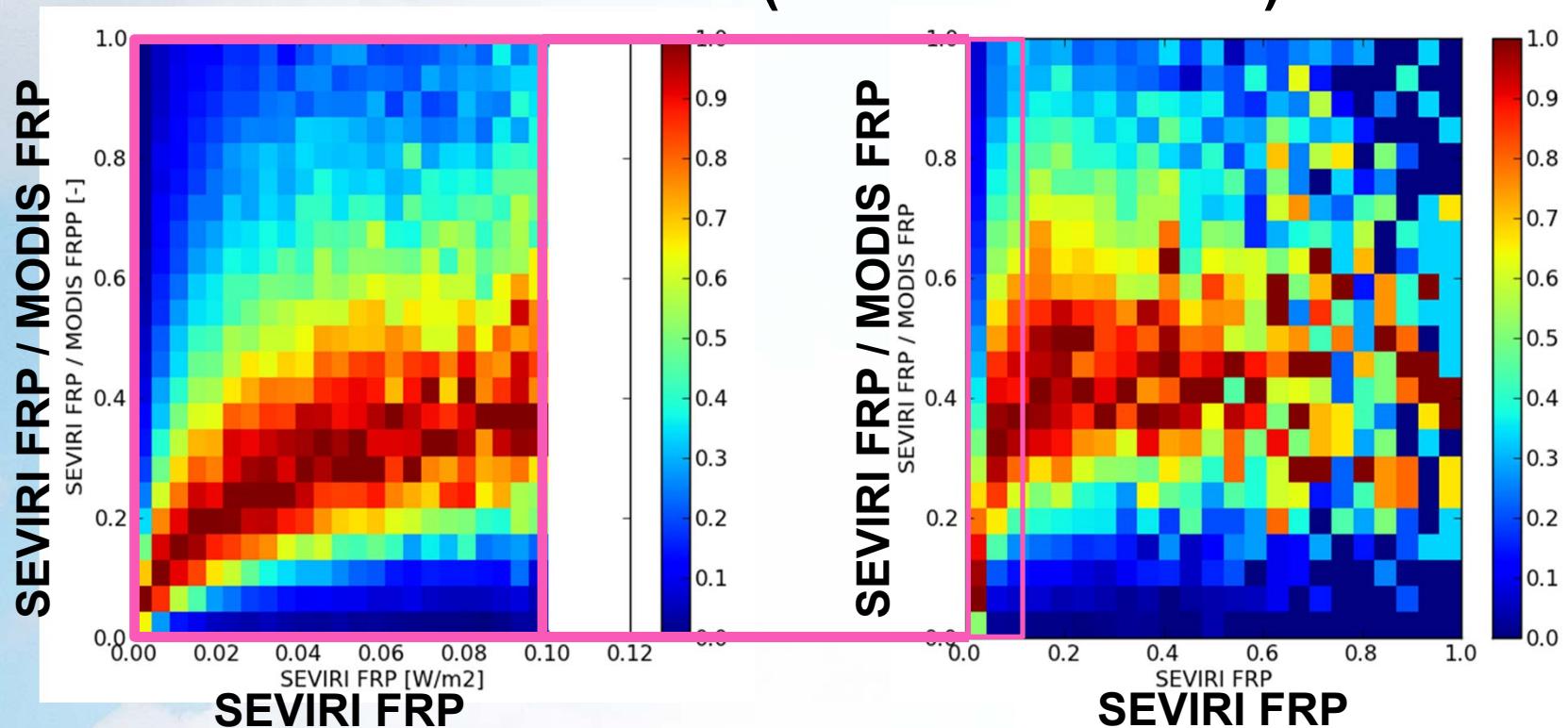


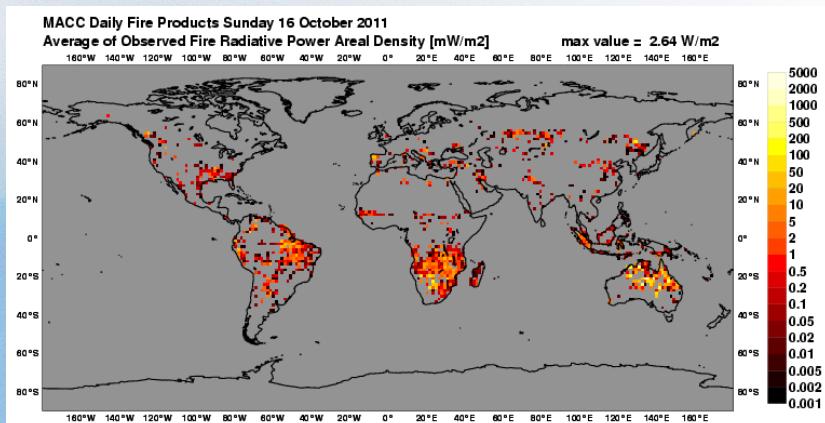


FIR Developments: FRP merging of GEO and LEO observations

- scientifically not solved anywhere
- We follow two approaches
 - based on GFAS-gridded observations
 - characterisation of bias (GEO FRP, view angle, local time)
 - prediction of bias from previous co-located observations

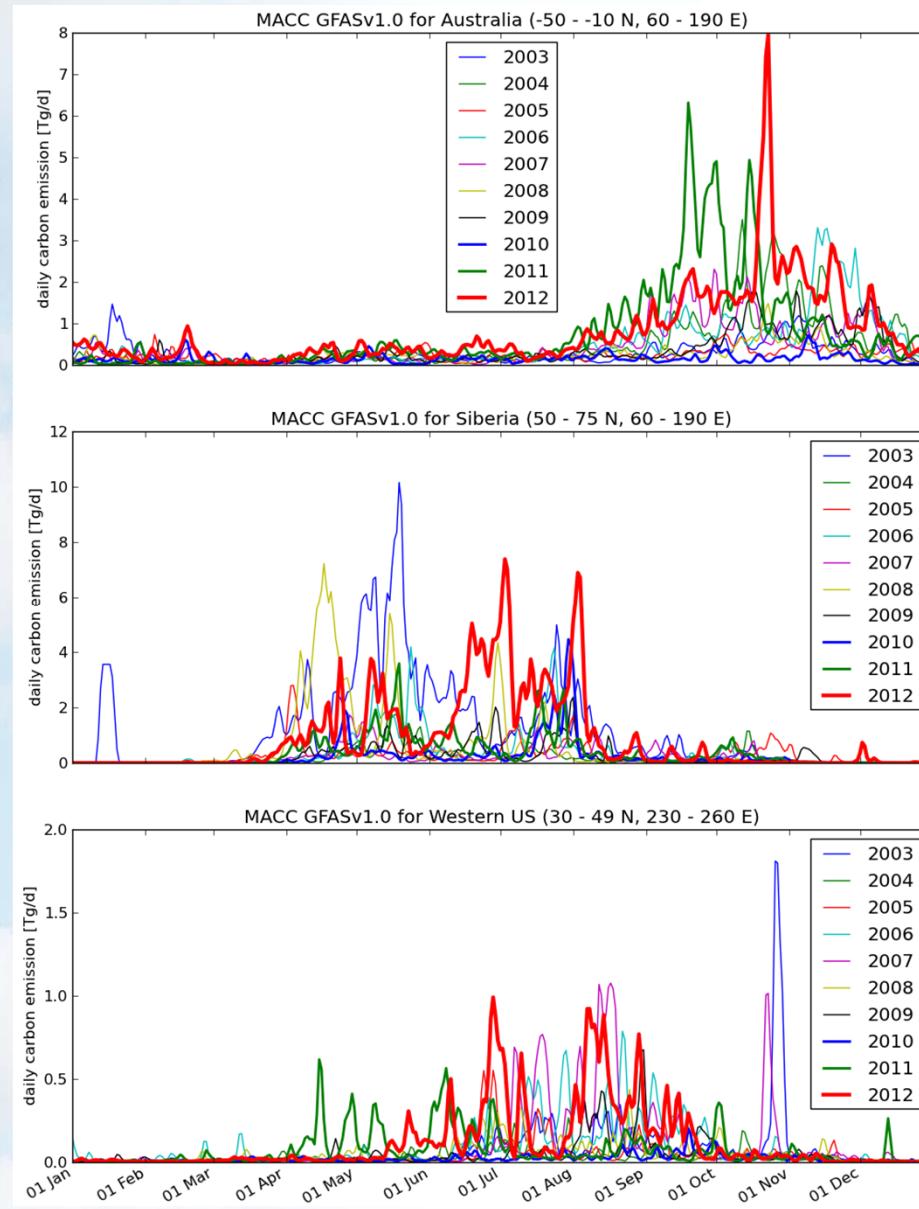
conditional PDF (Jun2010-Jul2012)



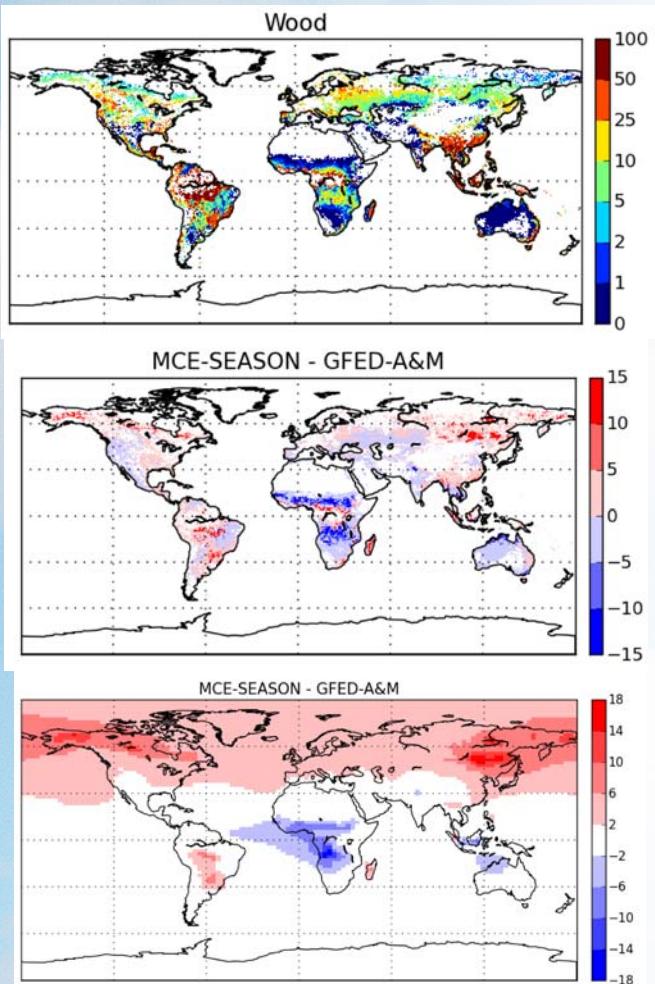


GFAS Emissions in MACC Systems

- global production
 - aerosols
 - reactive gases
 - greenhouse gases
- reanalysis (2009-10)
- CO-tracer forecasts
- EURAD regional forecasts



FIR Developments: Dynamic Emission factors



Top: partition fuel sources contributing to emissions (shown here the fraction wood)

Each fuel source gets a MCE range based on literature (MCE = Modified Combustion Efficiency = $\text{CO}_2 / (\text{CO} + \text{CO}_2)$)

Meteorology used to scale within the range

MCE relates (reasonably) well with EFs of other trace gases and aerosols

Middle: emissions difference between MCE run and standard GFED run (Gg CO / year)

Bottom: atmospheric concentration (ppb / month) for lower atmosphere (up to 800 hPa)

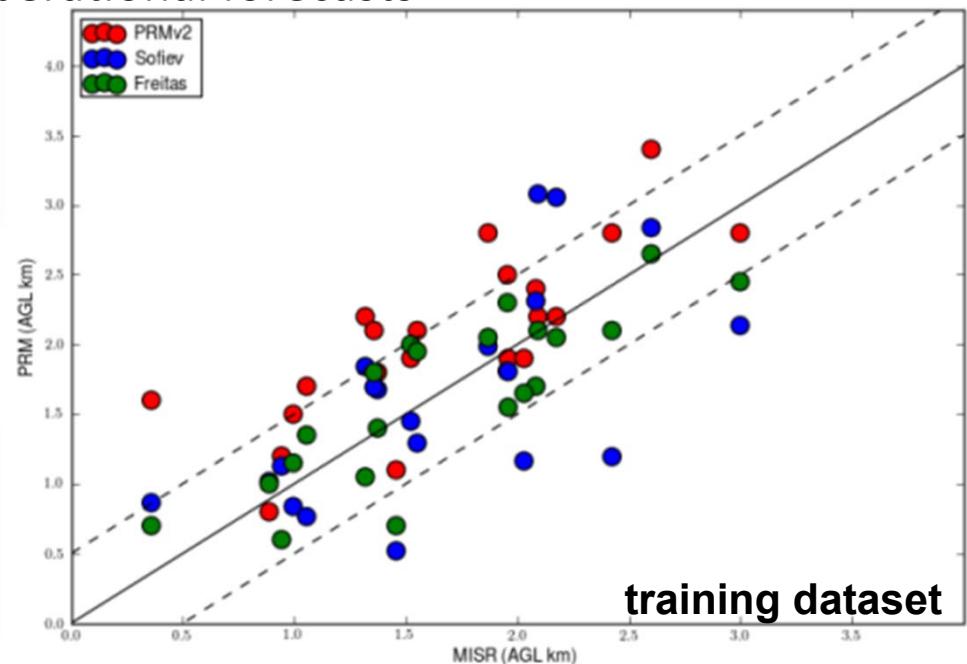
Next step: build into GFAS

Plume Rise Model Development

Objective: Improvement and Validation of a new PRM based on the Freitas Model



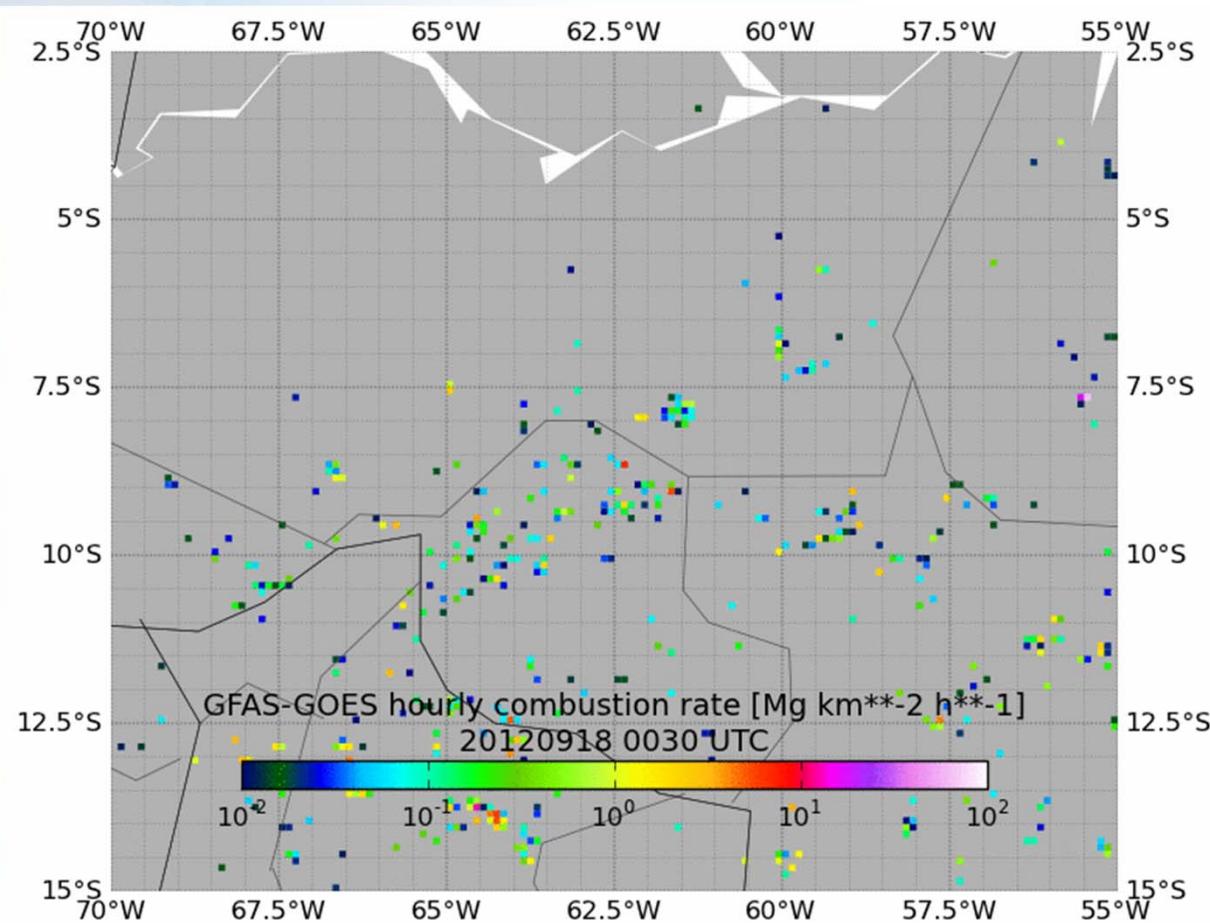
- MISR reference dataset of observed FRP and plume top height created (N America)
- PRM by Freitas et al. 2007 implemented and optimised
 - input data stream from ECMWF operational forecasts
- Sofiev et al. 2012 implemented
- PRMv1 delivered to ECMWF
 - for implementation in GFAS



Ronan Paugam, KCL

GFAS test version with 1 hour time resolution implemented

- assimilation of GOES FRP products
- 1-hour forecast based on corresponding 5 hour window of past 24 hours
- provided for SAMBBA campaign in real time
- evaluation to follow



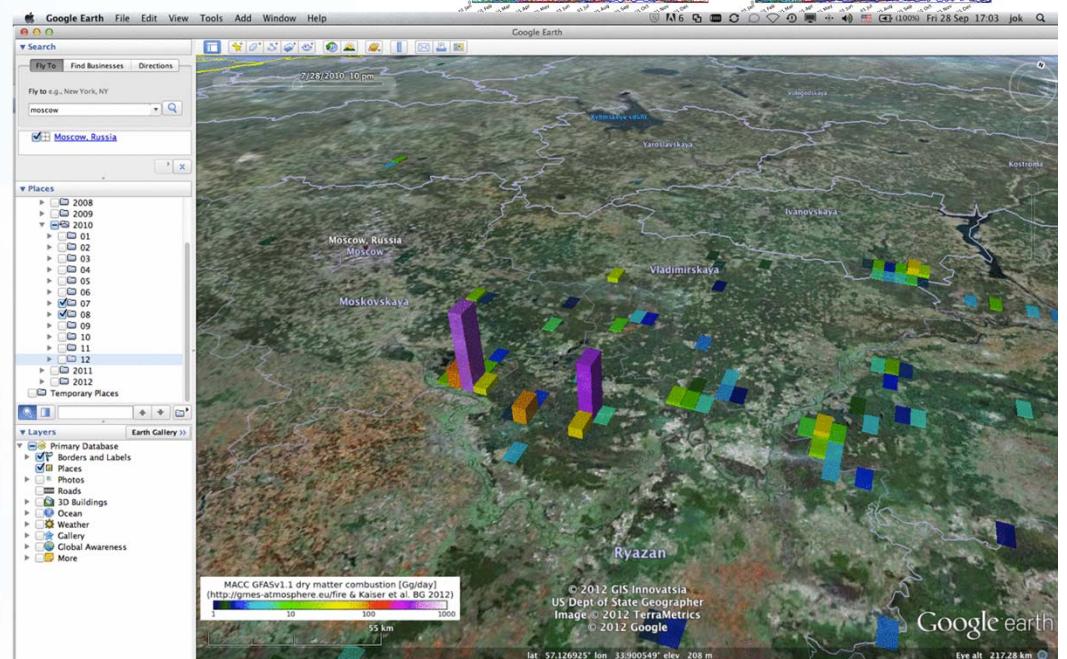
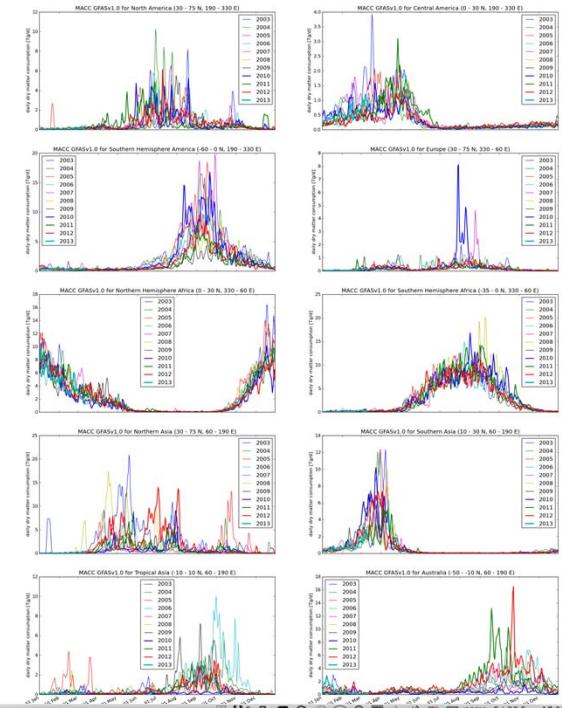
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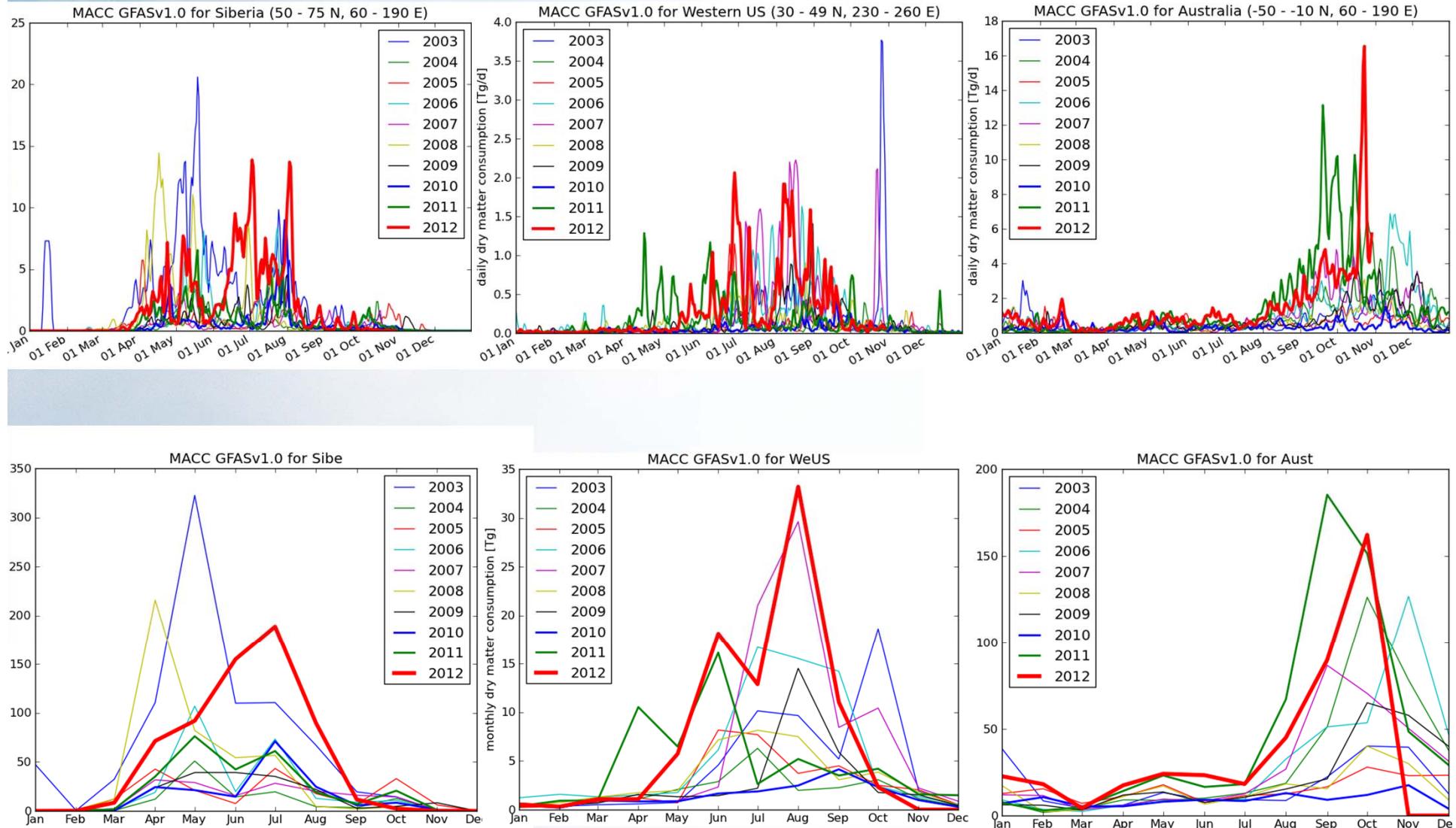
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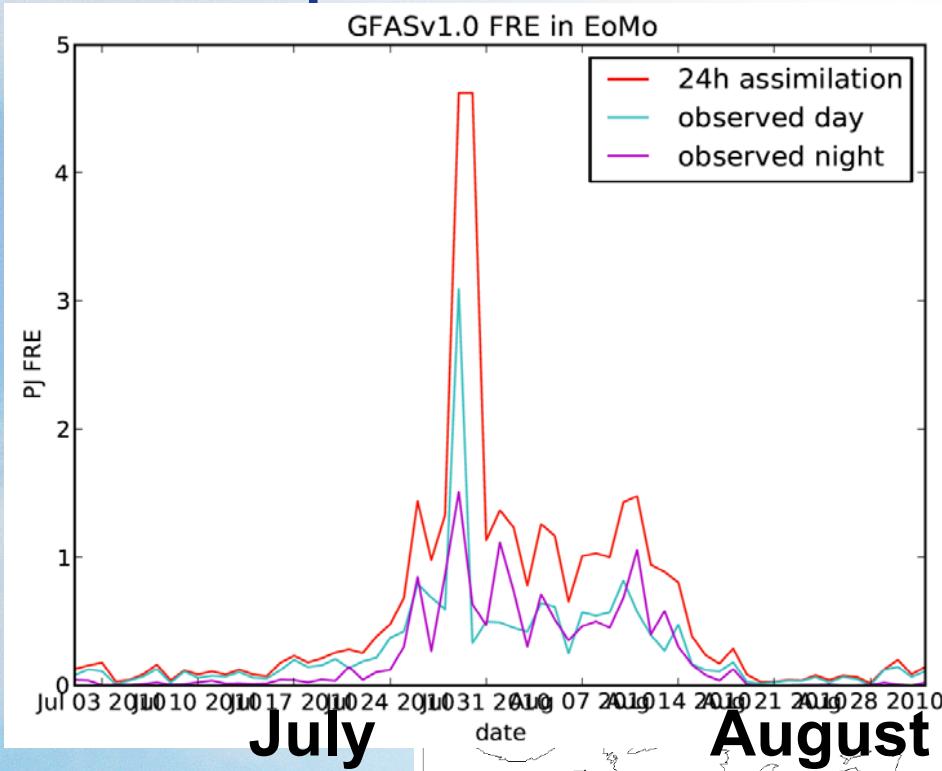
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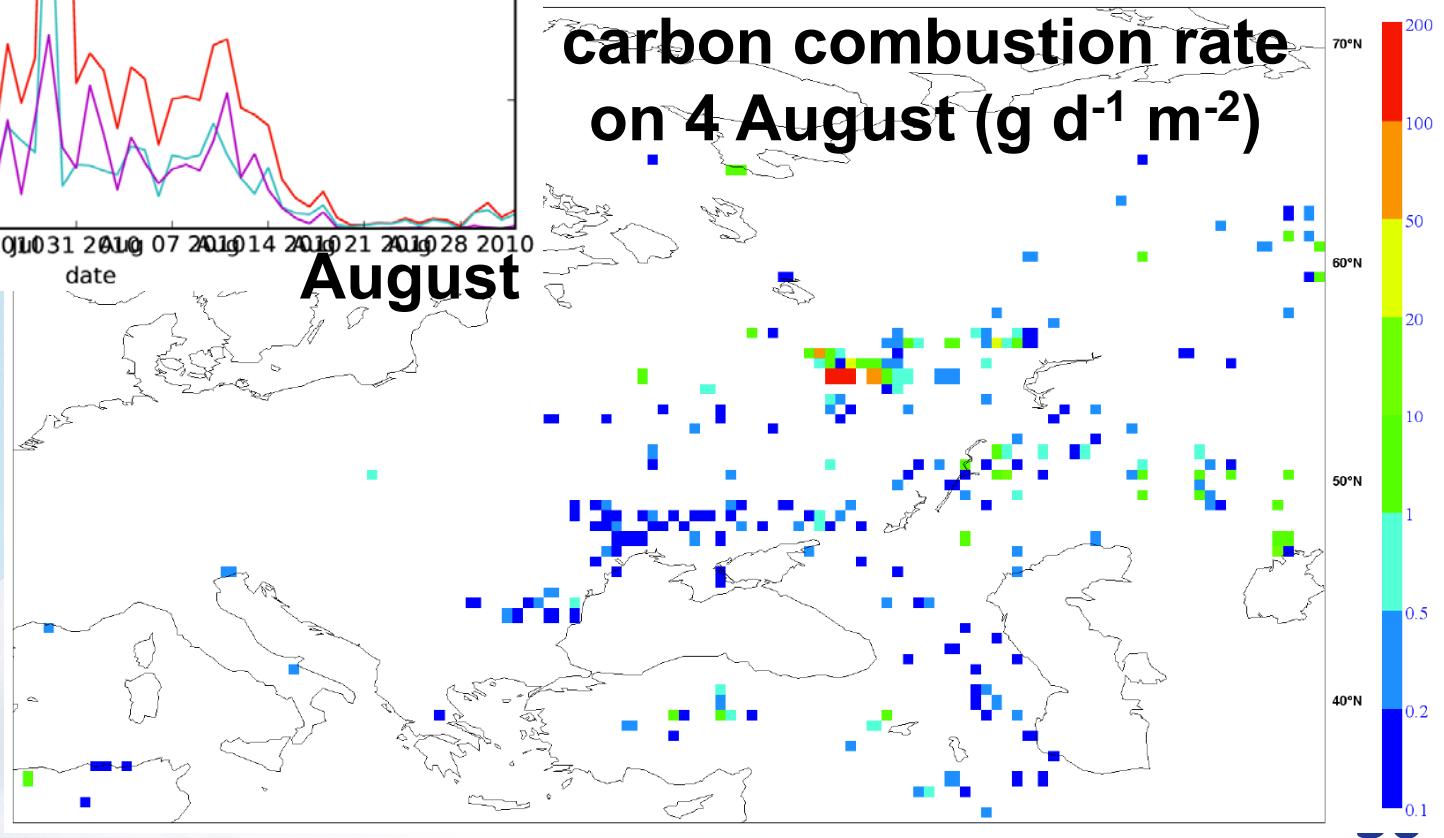
2012 is most interesting: Siberia, Western US & Australia!



FRP Example: Russia 2010

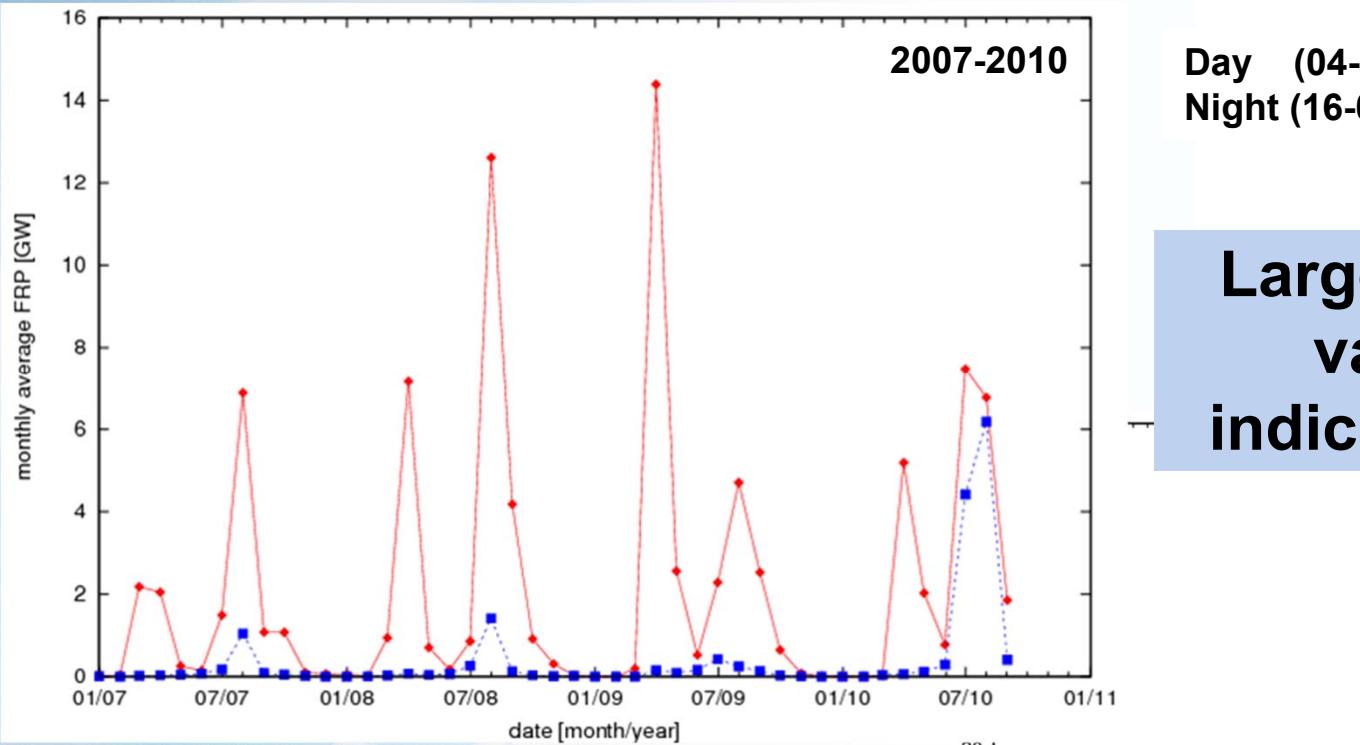


carbon combustion rate
on 4 August ($\text{g d}^{-1} \text{m}^{-2}$)



2010 fires over Russia

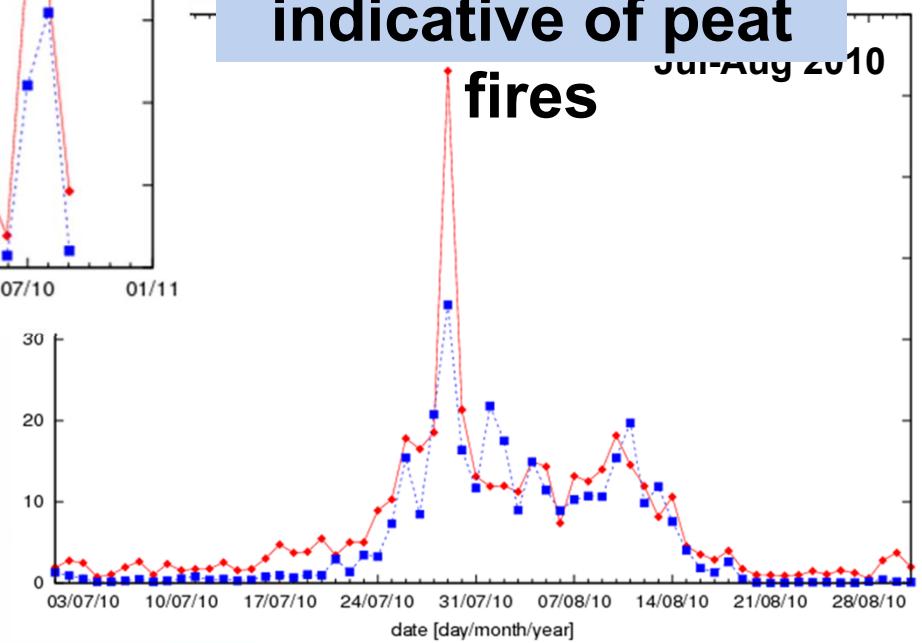
Fire radiative power from MODIS, east of Moscow (50-60N, 35-



Day (04-16UTC)
Night (16-04UTC)

Large night-time
values are
indicative of peat
fires

Modelled emissions were
those appropriate to
woodland fires



User statistics: GEIA ECCAD

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