

AeroCom - Aerosol model intercomparison overview ...with an emphasis on dust

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Aerosol comparisons of models and observations



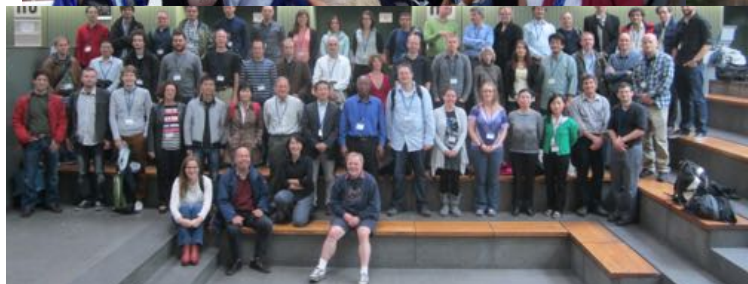
AeroCom is an open international initiative of scientists interested in the advancement of the understanding of global aerosol properties and aerosol impacts on climate, weather, and air quality. **A central goal is to more strongly tie and constrain modeling efforts to observational data from satellite, ground-based, and aircraft observations.**

A major element for exchanges between data and modeling groups are annual meetings of AeroCom together with the satellite data oriented initiative AeroSAT.

In addition to the comparisons among models and between models and data, **AeroCom initiates and coordinates model experiments to target particular research topics, leading to joint research papers of synthesizing character. A common database is maintained at the Norwegian Meteorological Institute to facilitate joint scientific exploration.**



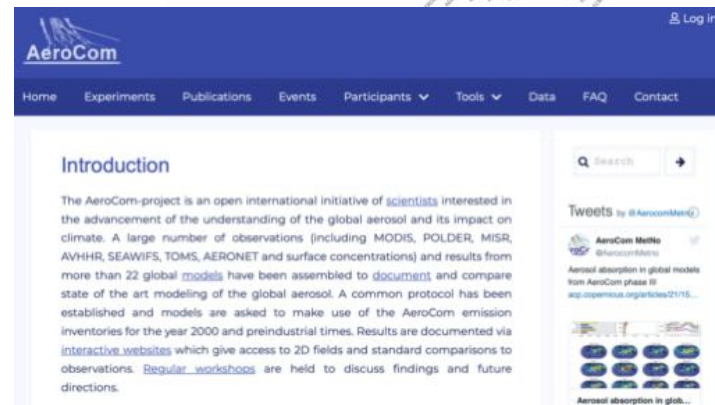
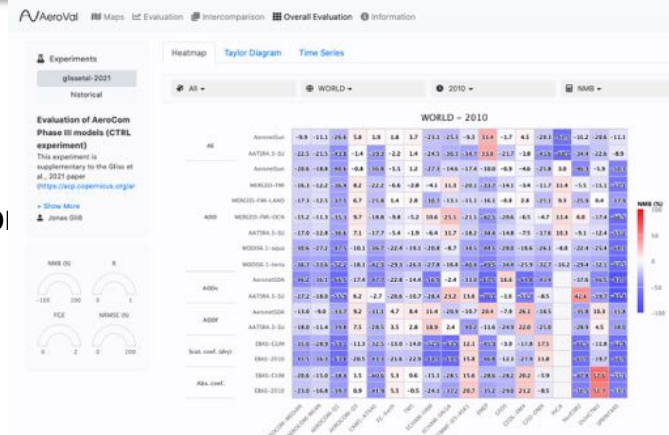
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AeroCom infrastructure



- ◆ AeroCom database and AeroCom user server
(50 TB of model data, 300 registered users)
- ◆ New AeroCom aeroval web interface
showing e.g. 2019 control Gliss et al ACP 2021, historical simulation
<https://aeroval.met.no/evaluation.php?project=aerocom>
- ◆ aerocom.met.no website
- ◆ Email list, annual meetings, joint publications, SSC



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Recent joint Publications AeroCom 2019/2020/2021

Google scholar search on "aerocom aerosol" + (2019+2020+2021) => 1240 items



AeroCom models

Sand et al. Aerosol absorption in global models from AeroCom Phase III, ACP, 2021

Su et al. Understanding top-of-atmosphere flux bias in the AeroCom phase III models: A clear-sky perspective, James, 2021

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Schutgens et al. An AeroCom/AeroSat study: Intercomparison of Satellite AOD Datasets for Aerosol Model Evaluation, ACP, 2020

Myhre et al. Cloudy-sky contributions to the direct aerosol effect, ACP, 2020

Burgos et al. A global model-measurement evaluation of particle light scattering coefficients at elevated relative humidity, ACP, 2020

Laj et al. Global analysis of climate-relevant aerosol properties retrieved from Global Atmosphere Watch (GAW) near-surface observatories AMT 2020

Kim et al. Asian and Trans-Pacific Dust: A Multimodel and Multiremote Sensing Observation Analysis, JGR Atm, 2019

Aerocom & CMIP6 models

Mortier et al. Evaluation of climate model aerosol trends with ground-based observations over the last two decades – AeroCom + CMIP6 analysis, ACP, 2020

Gryspeerd et al. Surprising similarities in model and observational aerosol radiative forcing estimates, ACP 2020

Bellouin et al. Bounding Global Aerosol Radiative Forcing of Climate Change Rev Geo Phys, 2020

CMIP6 models

Smith et al. Energy budget constraints on the time history of aerosol forcing and climate sensitivity. JGR, 2021

Smith et al. Effective radiative forcing and adjustments in CMIP6 models, ACP, 2020

Thornhill et al. Climate-driven chemistry and aerosol feedbacks in CMIP6 Earth system models, ACP, 2020

Thornhill et al. Effective Radiative forcing from emissions of reactive gases and aerosols – a multimodel comparison, ACP, 2020

Moseid et al. Bias in CMIP6 models compared to observed regional dimming and brightening trends (1961–2014), ACP, 2020

Allen et al. Climate and air quality impacts due to mitigation of non-methane near-term climate forcers, ACP, 2020

Zanis et al. Fast responses on pre-industrial climate from present-day aerosols in a CMIP6 multi-model study, ACP, 2020

Wilcox et al. Accelerated increases in global and Asian summer monsoon precipitation from future aerosol reductions, ACP, 2020

Turnock et al. Historical and future changes in air pollutants from CMIP6 models, ACP, 2020



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Website, Web interface, AeroCom user server, email list, AeroCom database, pyaerocom
Anna Benedictow, Augustin Mortier, Jan Griesfeller, Jonas Gliss

Some recent results on dust...



Comparison to AOD and coarse mode AOD Aeronet

Inspection of trends

Absorption optical depth due to dust

Process uncertainty in dust cycle

Size distribution of dust revisit

Climate-dust feedback

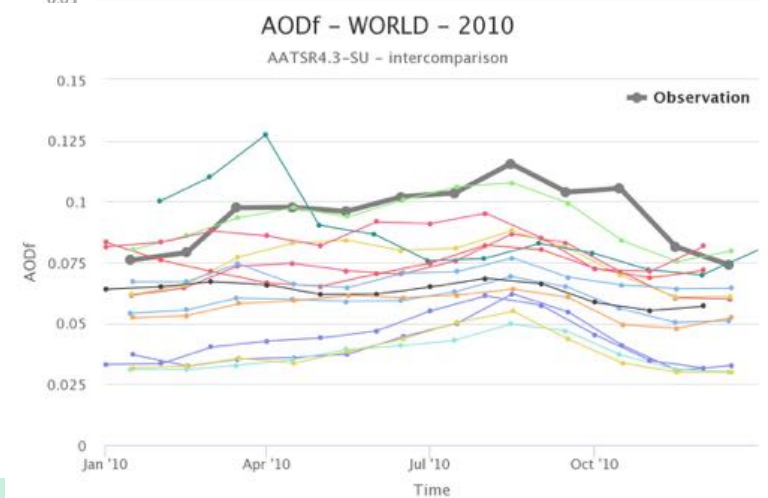
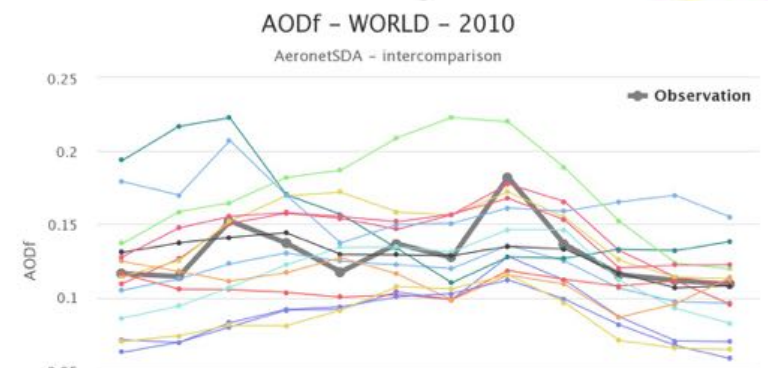
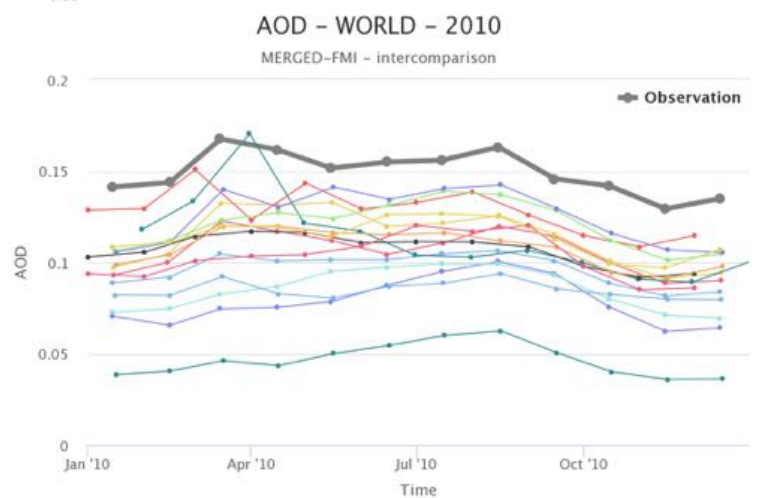
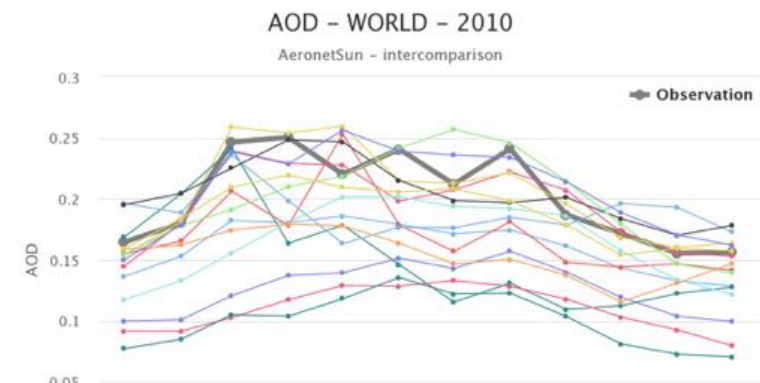


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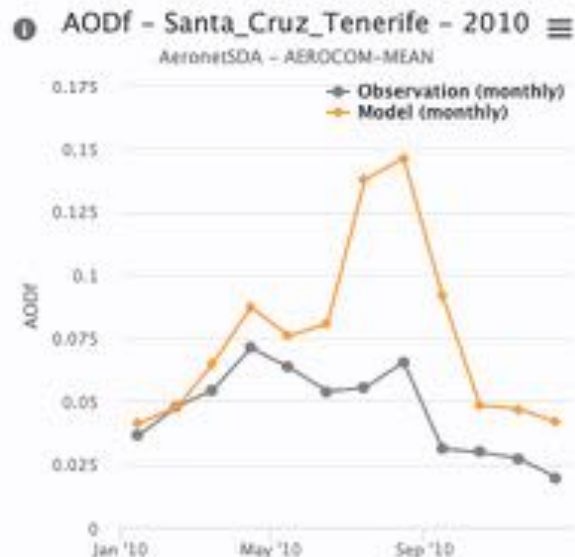
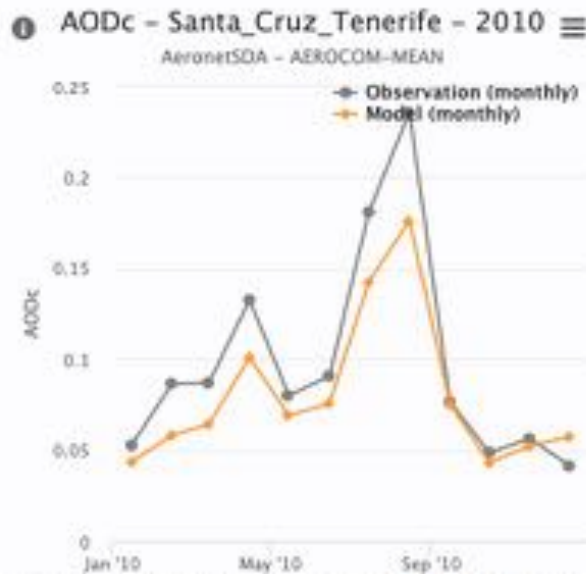
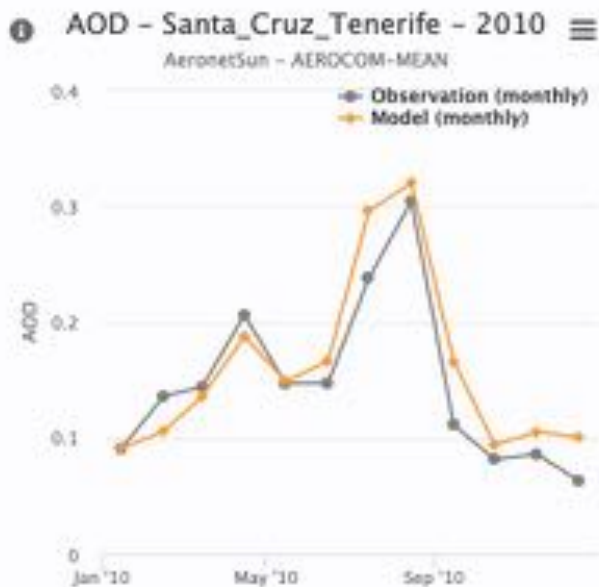
AeroCom control

Gliss et al 2021

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AOD total, coarse, fine in Tenerife



AeoCom mean versus Aeronet (from aeroval.met.no interface)

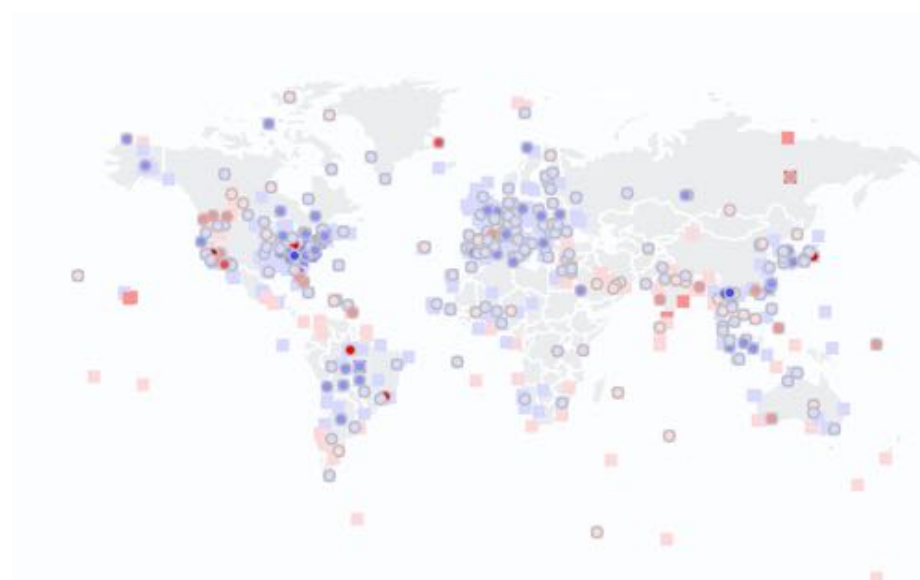


AeroCom control historical trend evaluation last decades since 2000

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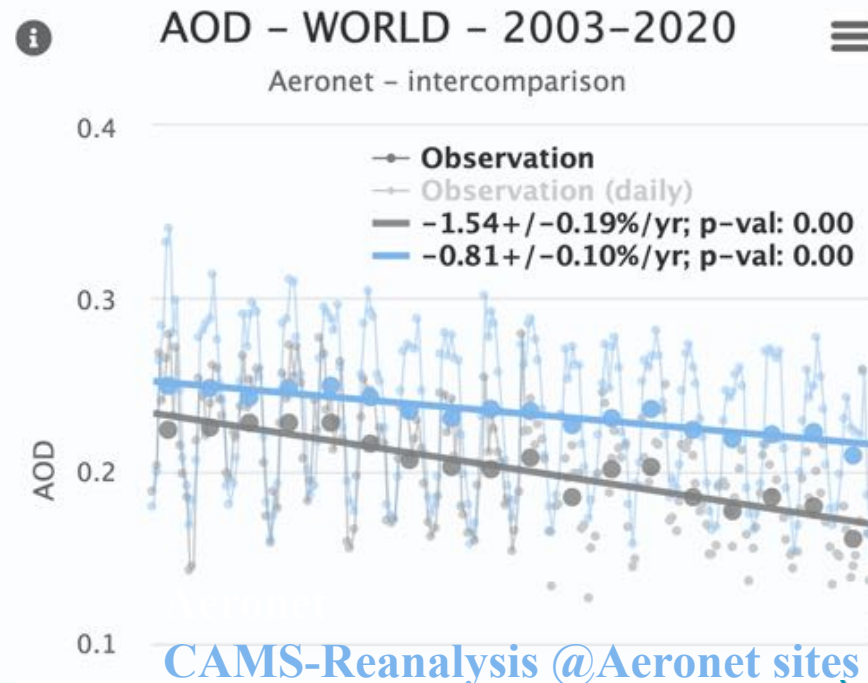


From aeroyal AeroCom web interface to model evaluation of trends (work in progress)



CAMS reanalysis trend 2003-2020

Statistic: Trends (%/yr)
-10< -7.5 -5 -2.5 0 2.5 5 7.5 >10

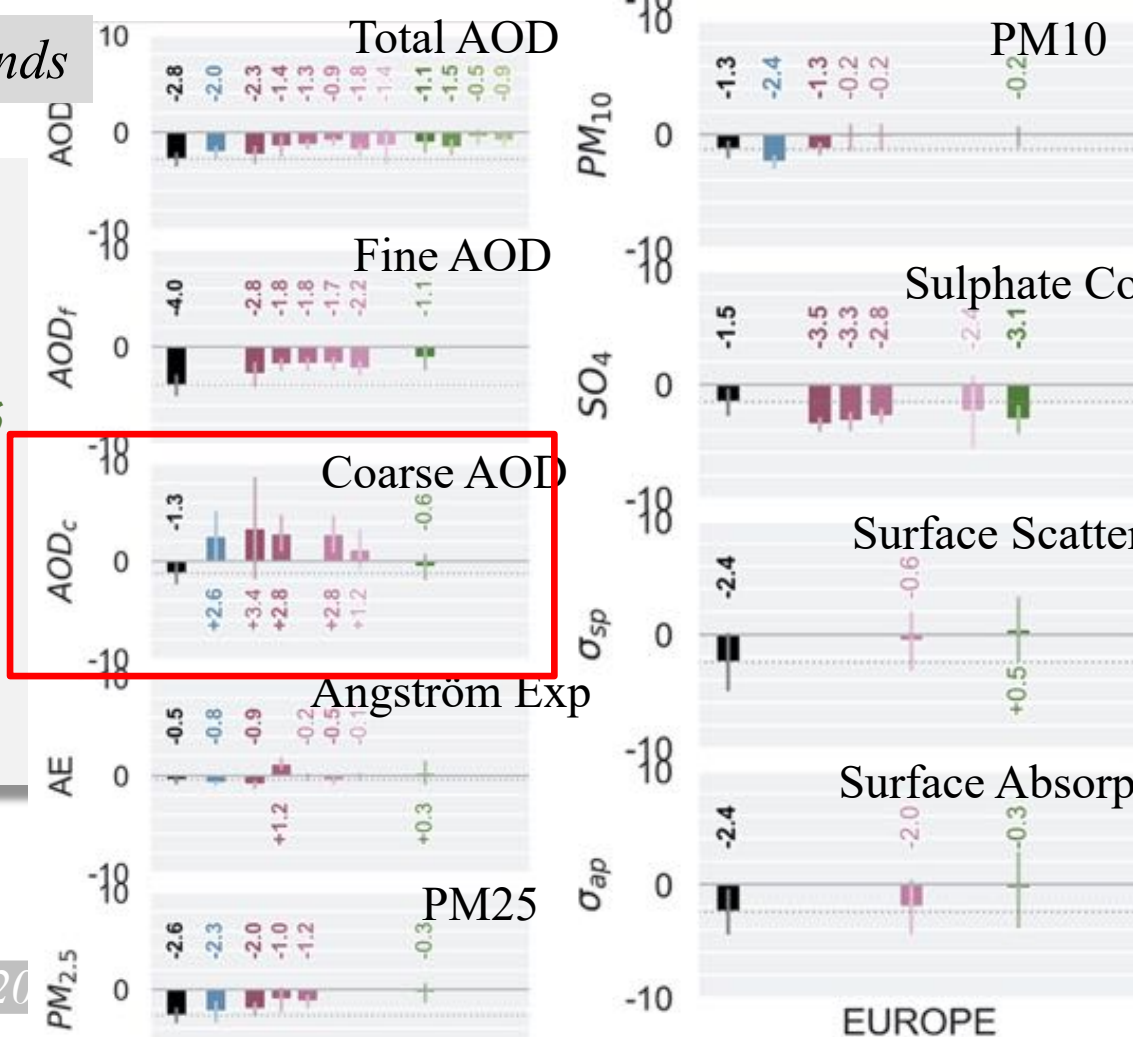


CAMS-Reanalysis @Aeronet sites

Recent aerosol trends

European trends
2000-2014
in
Reanalysis &
AeroCom & CMIP6
and
Observations

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OBSERVATION
Models:

OBS
ECMWF-Rean
SPRINTARS
ECHAM-HAM
GEOS
OscoCTM3
GFDL-AM4
ICC-CUACE
NoRESM2
CanESM5
CLSM2
PSL-CMA

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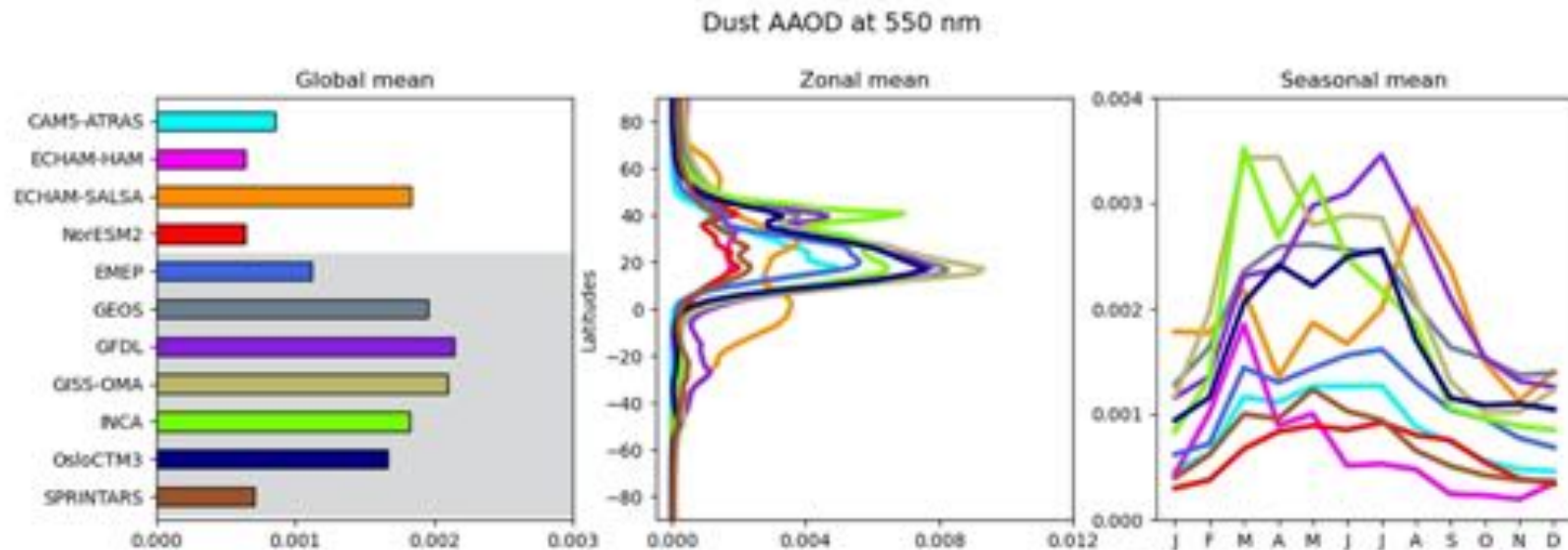
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Mortier et al. ACP 2020

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Dust absorption optical depth



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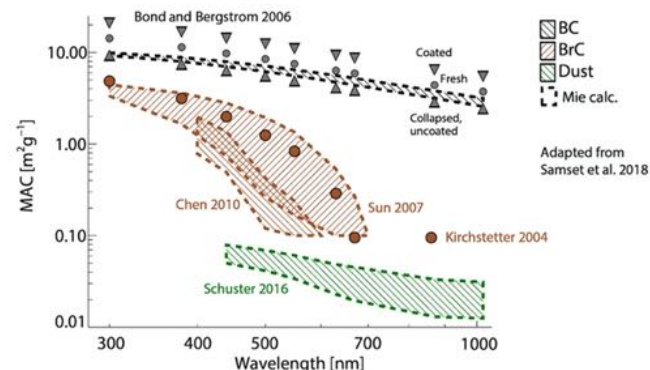
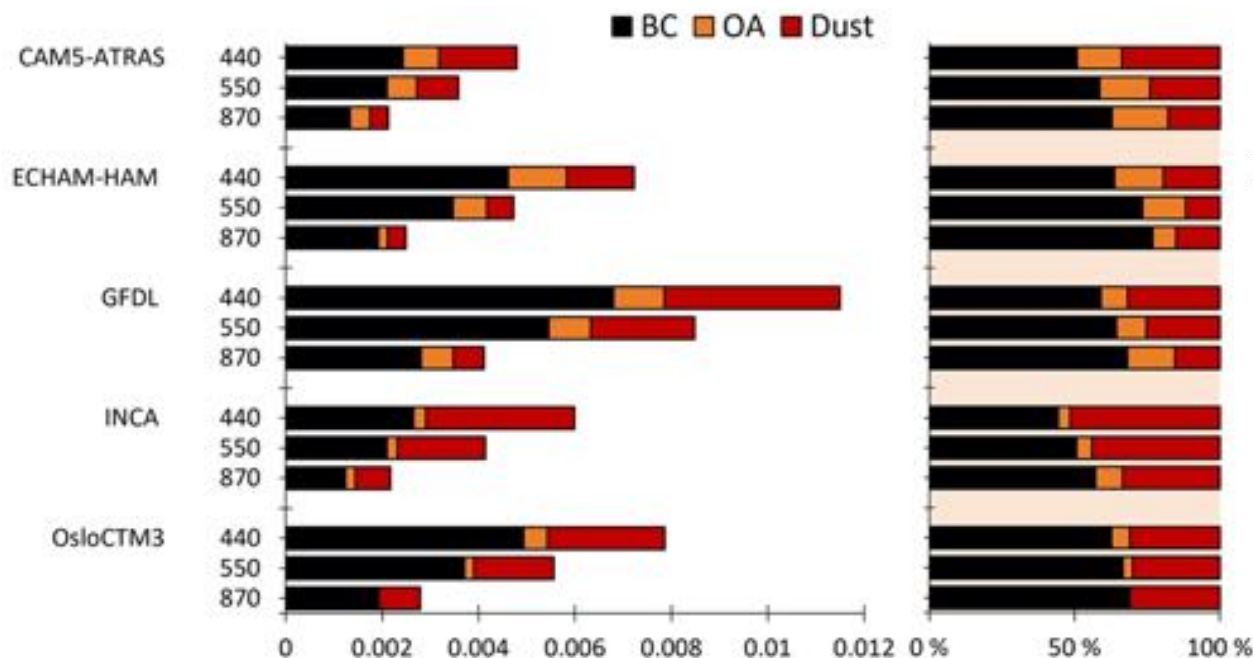
Aerosol absorption in global models from AeroCom phase III

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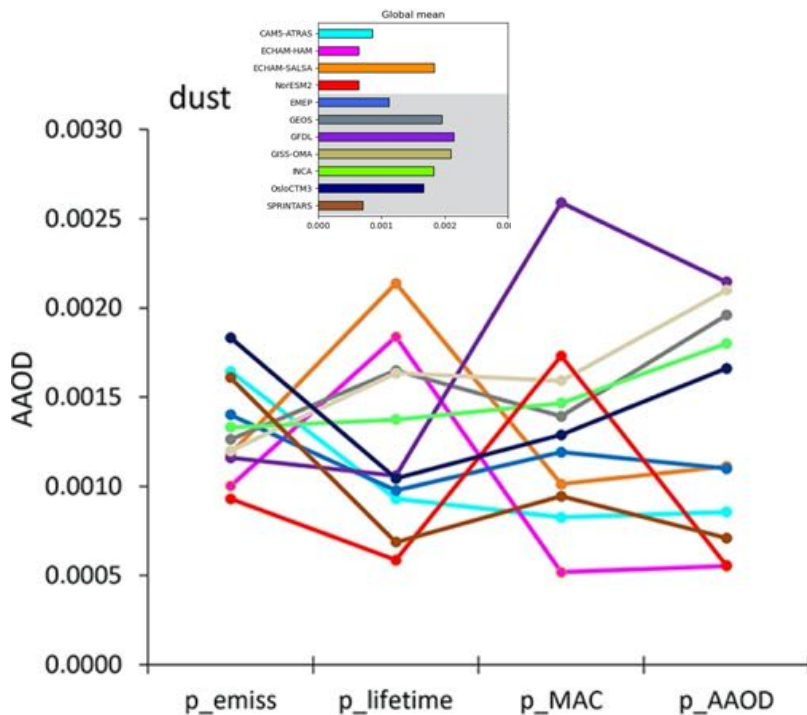
Role dust absorption for total aerosol absorption



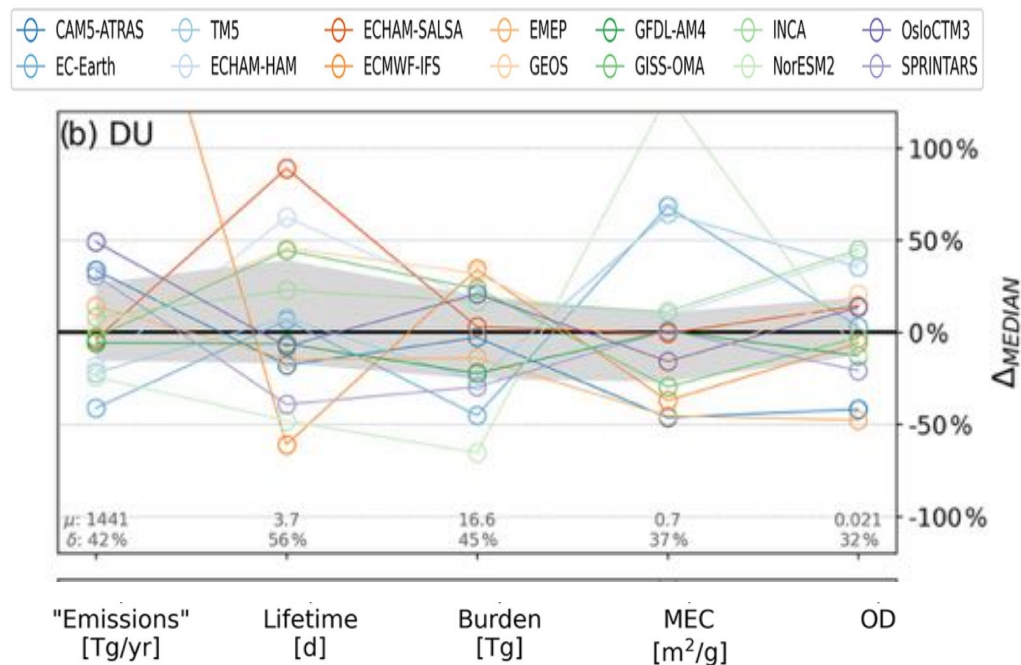
Global mean AAOD at $\lambda = 440, 550, \text{ and } 870 \text{ nm}$ for each model split into BC (black), OA (orange), and dust (red)

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Partial sensitivities / Impact on Dust AAOD , AOD

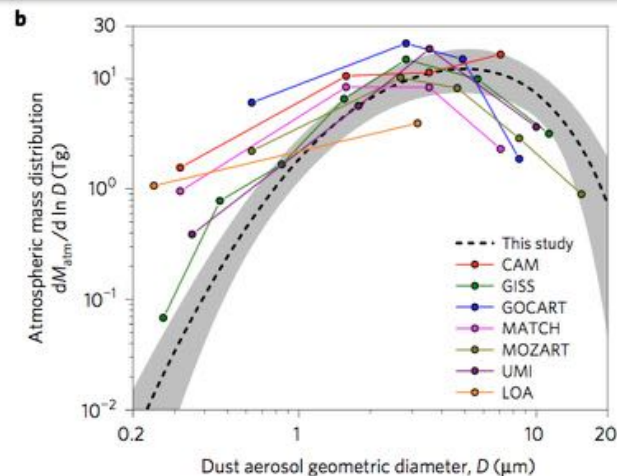
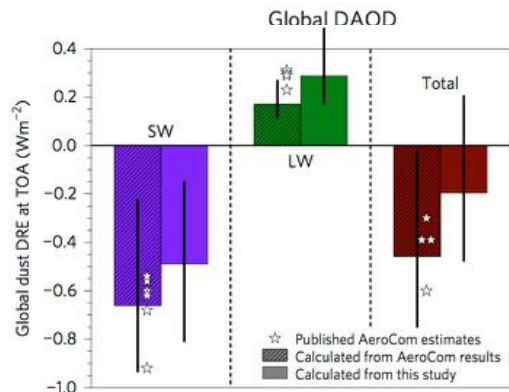
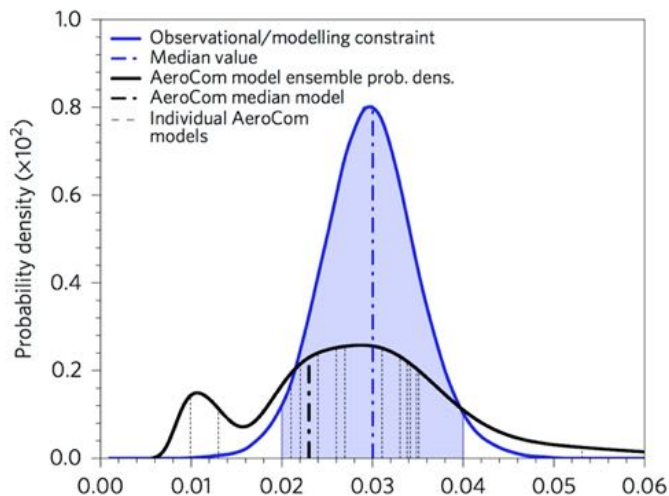


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Recommendations for modelling...



Constraints suggest that AeroCom models

- *emit too fine dust*
- *underestimate extinction, assuming sphericity*
- *underestimate Dust AOD*

=> More dust absorption, more LW, less SW, less net radiative effect

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PUBLISHED ONLINE: 13 MARCH 2017 | DOI: 10.1038/NGE02912

Smaller desert dust cooling effect estimated from analysis of dust size and abundance

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Dust feedback in a changed climate? AerChemMIP

ERF_{dust}

Dust
Emissions
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4xCO₂

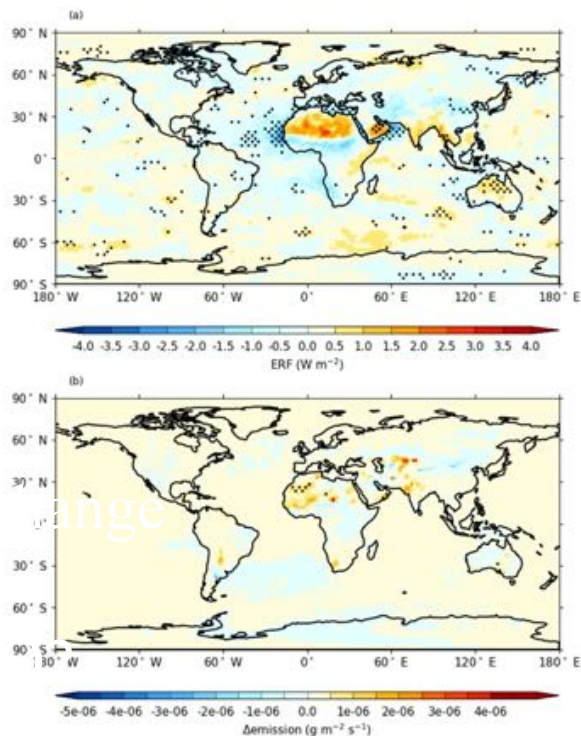
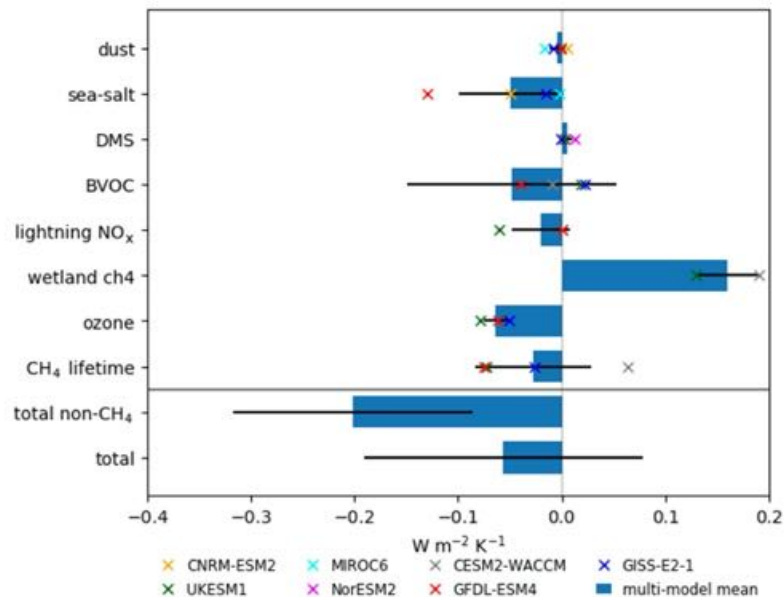


Figure 1. Multi-model mean (a) ERF from *piClim-2xdust* vs. *piClim-control*, (b) change in dust emissions for *abrupt-4xCO₂* vs. *piControl*. Stippling shows areas where the mean changes by more than the standard deviation across models.



Thornhill et al. ACP 2021

How to better constrain the simulated aerosol effect on climate and air quality ?

Constrain models to range of observed parameter values

Commission on constraining aerosol properties
TAO group
Model recommendations

Study sensitivity to process uncertainty

PPE+emulators
AeroCom WGs
Individual model studies
AeroCom aerosol module
Transport Tracers

Score with observations

Representation error
Trend understanding
Reference:
Aerocom Median / Re-analysis
Observational benchmarks
cis-tools / pyaerocom
Multi-model papers

Dust source attribution experiment

Trans-Atlantic dust experiment

Commission on constraining aerosol properties

Code exchange and generalised aerosol-chemistry interface

Assessment of dust source attribution to the global land and ocean regions (Aerocom3-DUSA Experiment Update)

October 11, 2021, Aerocom workshop

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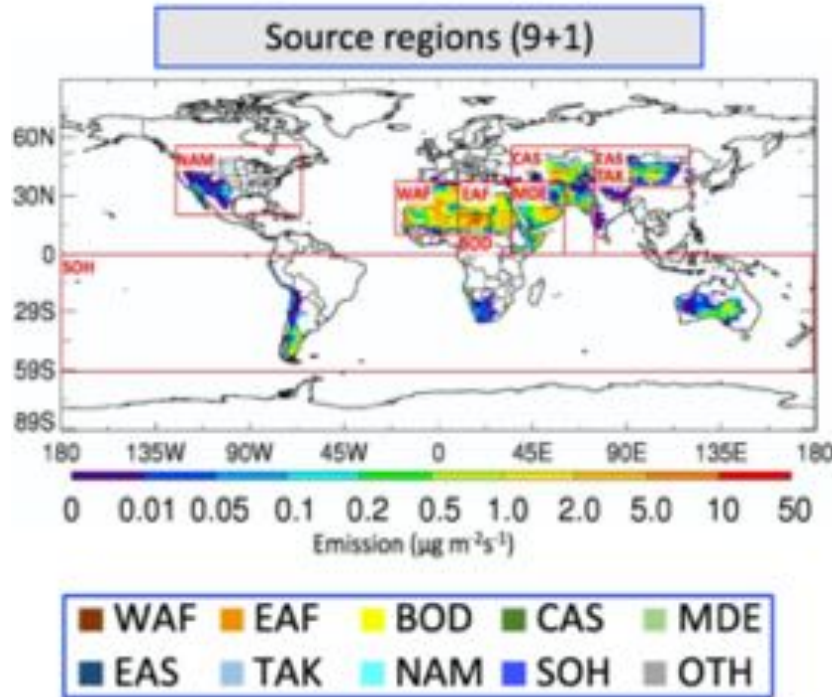
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- Source regions (9+1)
- Receptor regions (14 = L7+O7)
- Participating models (6):
 - GEOS, SPRINTARS, GEOS-chem
 - GFDL, CAMS, CESM2 (new 2021!)
- Period: 4 years (2009-2012)
- Models also provide DOD 10um (separate talk, October 14, 11 UTC)

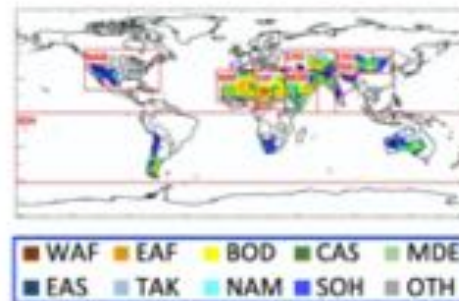
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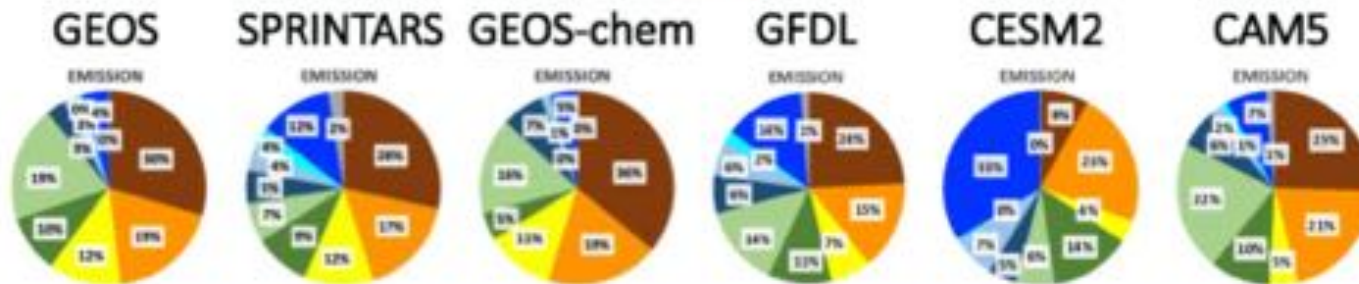
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Source contribution in global scale (annual)

| | Unit | GEOS | SPRINT ARS | GEOS- chem | GFDL | CESM2 | CAM5 |
|-------|---------------------|-------|---------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|
| EMI | Tg yr ⁻¹ | 1417 | 2278 | 1130 | 1578 | 2826 | 4311 |
| LOAD | Tg yr ⁻¹ | 20.8 | 22.7 | 21.9 | 28.7 | 61.9 | 67.0 |
| DEP | Tg yr ⁻¹ | 1418 | 2084 | 1132 | 1595 | 2929 | 4531 |
| DOD | none | 0.025 | 0.017 | 0.012 | 0.022 | 0.034 | 0.027 |
| PM2.5 | μgm ⁻³ | 1.6 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 3.6 | 0.9 | 5.2 |



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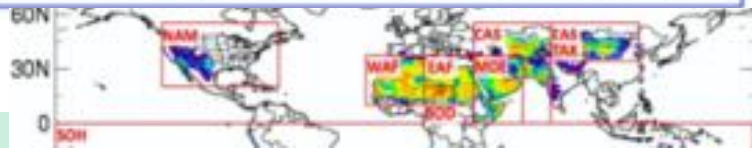
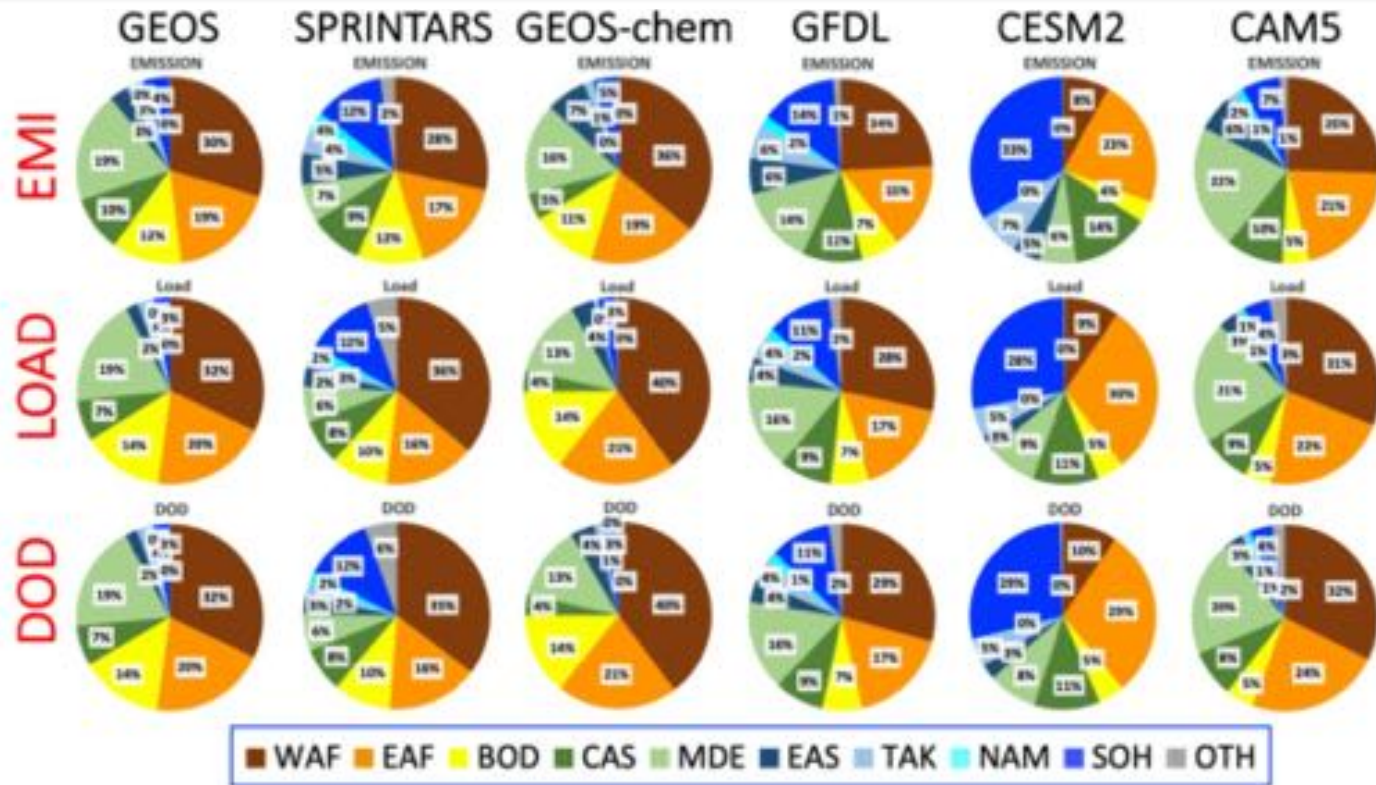


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DUSA source contribution to emission, load, DOD



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Trans Atlantic Dust Experiment (TADD)



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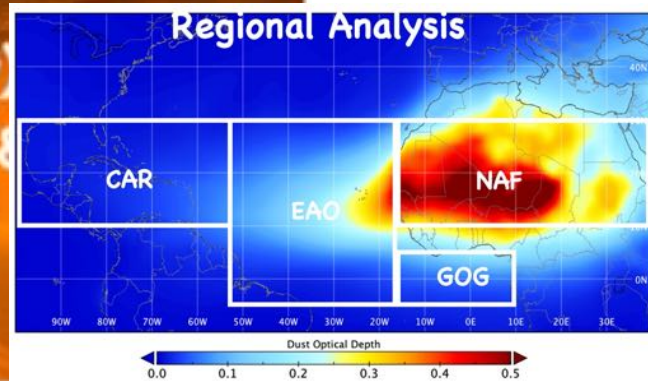
Trans-Atlantic Dust Deposition (TADD)

Objective: To identify major model deficiencies in simulating the trans-Atlantic dust transport and deposition through comparisons against a range of satellite and surface observations

Hongbin Yu (Hongbin.Yu@nasa.gov)

with contributions from many modelers & providers

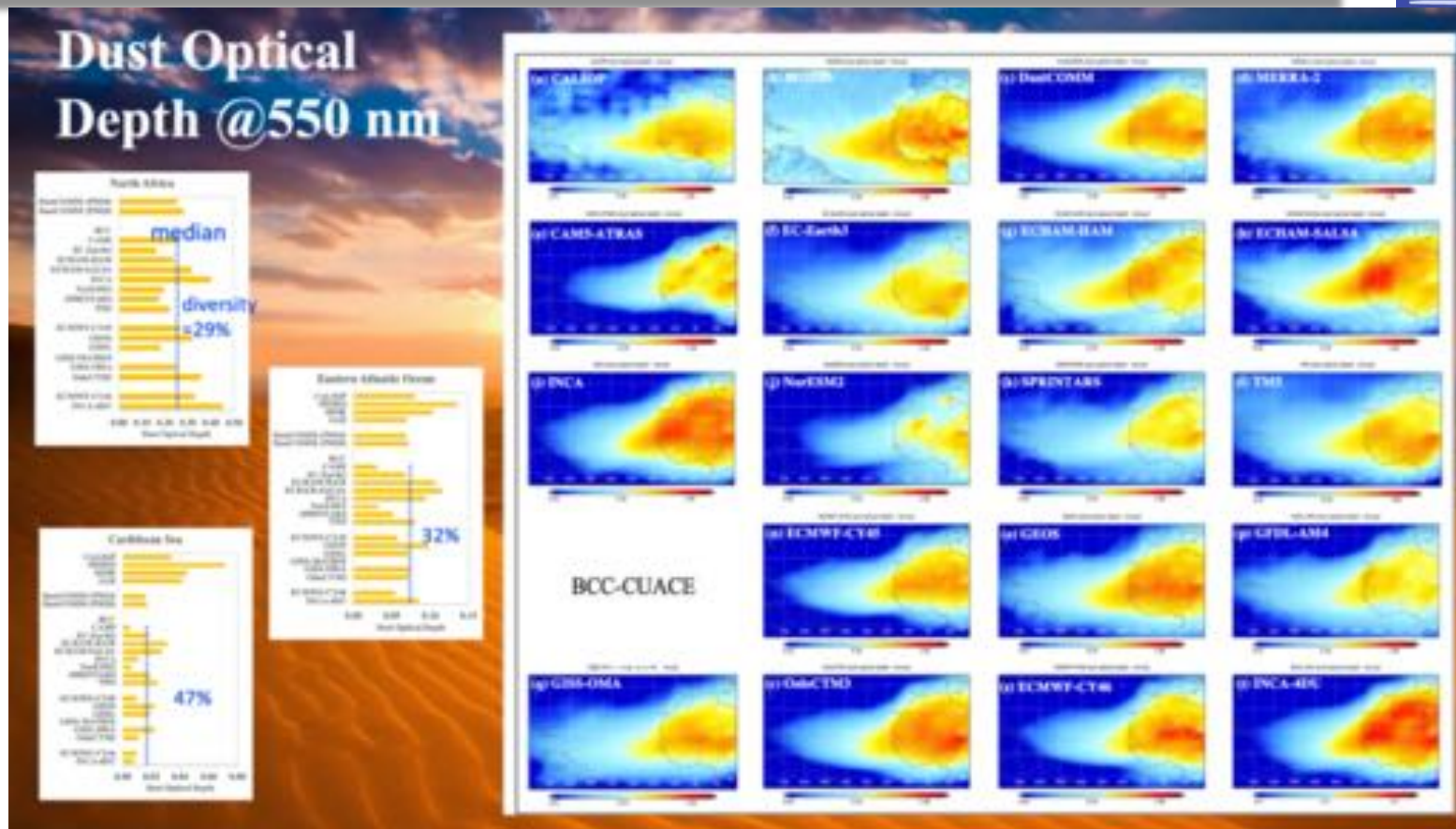
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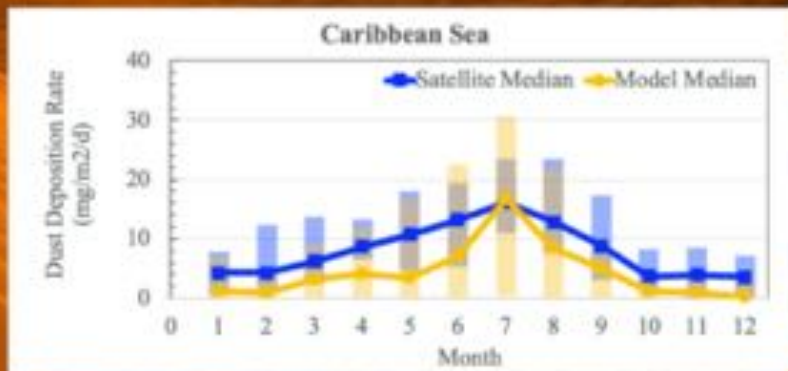
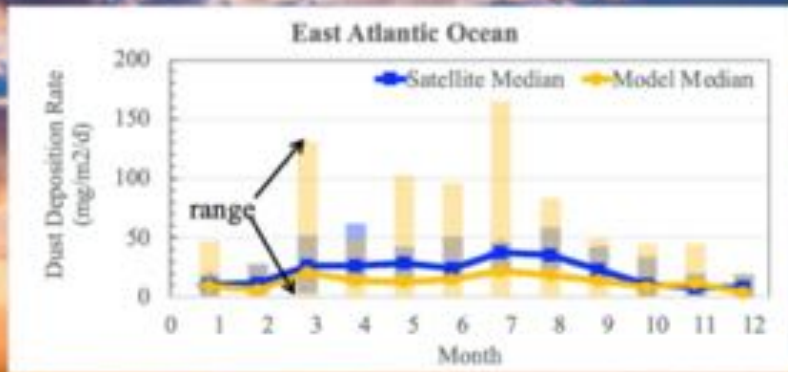
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Dust Deposition

- Seasonal variation



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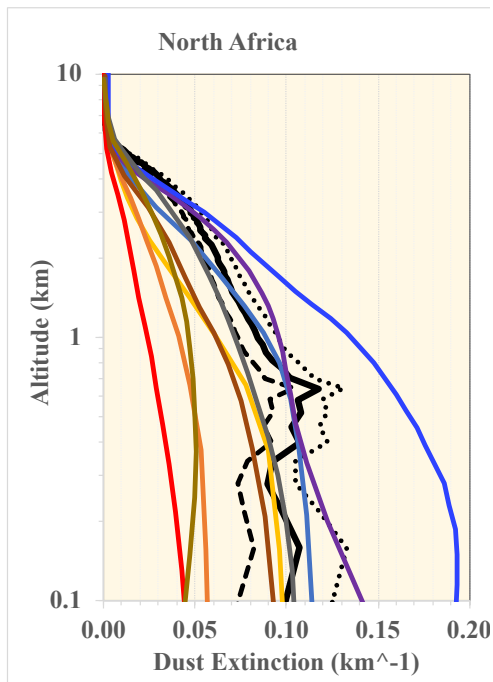


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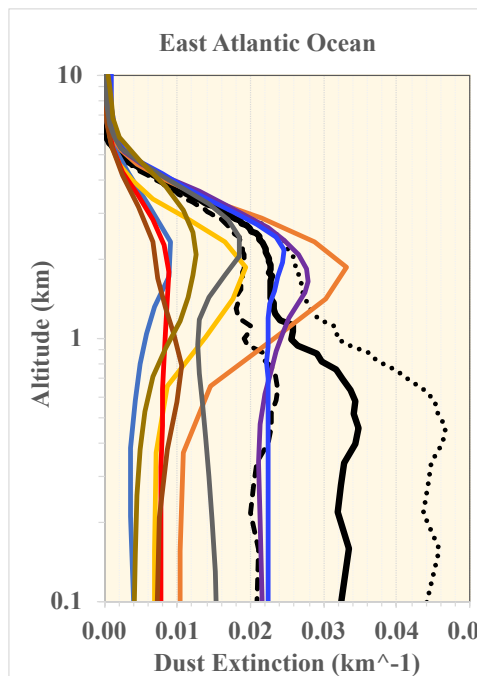
TADD comparison to CALIOP profiles



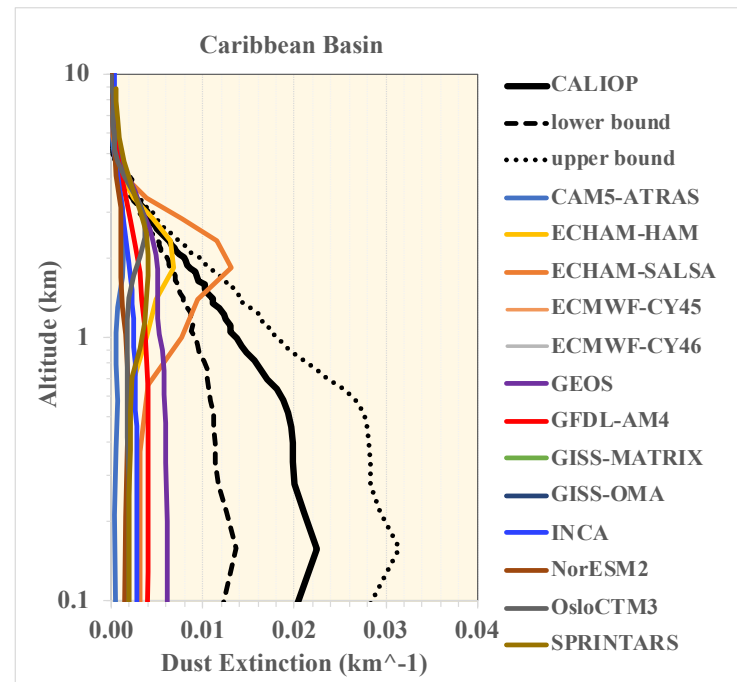
North Africa



E. Atlantic



Caribbean Basin



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The global dust cycle: Evolving from AP1 to AP3



| AeroCom Phase (AP) | | Emissions (Tg/yr) | Deposition (Tg/yr) | f_{wet} | Lifetime (d) | Mass Loading (Tg) | MEE (m ² /g) | DOD |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| AP1 <i>Huneeus et al. (2011)</i> | Median | 1628 | 1627 | 0.35 | 4.05 | 19.8 | 0.69 | 0.030 |
| | Diversity | 61% | 59% | 44% | 37% | 39% | 49% | 38% |
| AP3 | Median | 1437 | 1434 | 0.45 | 3.71 | 16.6 | 0.74 | 0.022 |
| | Diversity | 139% | 141% | 52% | 50% | 47% | 46% | 24% |
| AP3 – excluding ECMWF-CY46 & INCA-4DU | Median | 1397 | 1379 | 0.46 | 3.97 | 15.4 | 0.74 | 0.022 |
| | Diversity | 30% | 33% | 42% | 42% | 32% | 41% | 24% |

AP3 models have much larger spread in emissions, deposition than AP1 models, simply due to the inclusion of super coarse/giant particles in two models (ECMWF-CY46 and INCA-4DU).

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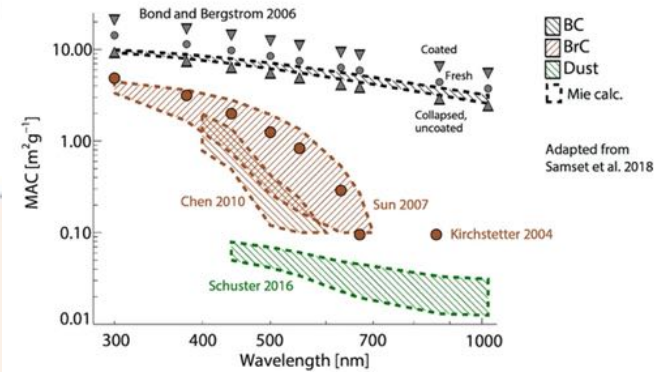
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Commission on Constraining Aerosol Properties



Yves Balkanski, Lucia Mona, Betsy Andrews, Nicolas Bellouin, Ken Carslaw, Mian Chin, Peter Colarco, Ed Gryspeerd, Paola Formenti, Stefan Kinne, Gerrit de Leeuw, Claudia Di Biagio, Roy Grainger, Ralph Kahn, Pekka Kolmonen, Rob Levy, Tero Mielonen, Thanos Nenes, Thomas Popp, Adam Povey, Claire Ryder, Andrew Sayer, Lauren Schmeisser, Michel Schulz, Greg Schuster, Nick Schutgens,

- Setting up bounds and means on useful global aerosol property, to be revised annually.
- What should models and satellite retrievals be able to simulate/retrieve in relation to global aerosol loads and optical properties?
- What should be recommended to modellers/satellite scientists to test and document?
- Bounds and means on these properties and on aerosol radiative effects could suggest strategies for future observations



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Aerosol codes available for inspection



CESM-MAM3+MAM7 / ?? / <https://github.com/ESCOMP/CAM>

EMEP / *Simpson 2012* / <https://github.com/metno/emep-ctm>

NorESM/CAM6NOR & aerotab / *Seland 2020* / <https://github.com/NorESMhub/NorESM>

GFDL AM4 / *Zhao 2018* / <https://github.com/NOAA-GFDL/AM4>

GISS OMA/MATRIX / / ??

IPSL-CM5A2 / *Sepulchre 2020* / [svn checkout ?](#)

GOCART/GEOS / ?? / [on request](#))

ECHAM6-HAMMOZ / *Tegen 2019* / [available under ECHAM licence agreement](#)

ECHAM-SALSA / *Kokkola 2018* / [under ECHAM license](#)

EC-EARTH3/TM5 / *von Noije in prep* / restricted acces to consortium

IFS-ECMWF / *Remy 2019* / access granted for European MET services

GLOMAP/UKESM / ?? / ?

E3SM-MAM4 / *Wang 2020* / <https://e3sm.org/model/> github available to collaborators

CNRM-ESM2-1 / *Seferian 2019* / ?

CAM5-ATRAS / *Matsui 2017* / ?



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Code exchange / Common aerosol interface



Planned and upcoming:

Virtual workshop on developing a general set of requirements for aerosol/chemistry interfaces within weather/climate models

Wednesday Feb 16 from 12-3pm Eastern US Time

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