



The GHG-CCI project of ESA's Climate Change Initiative: Overview and Status



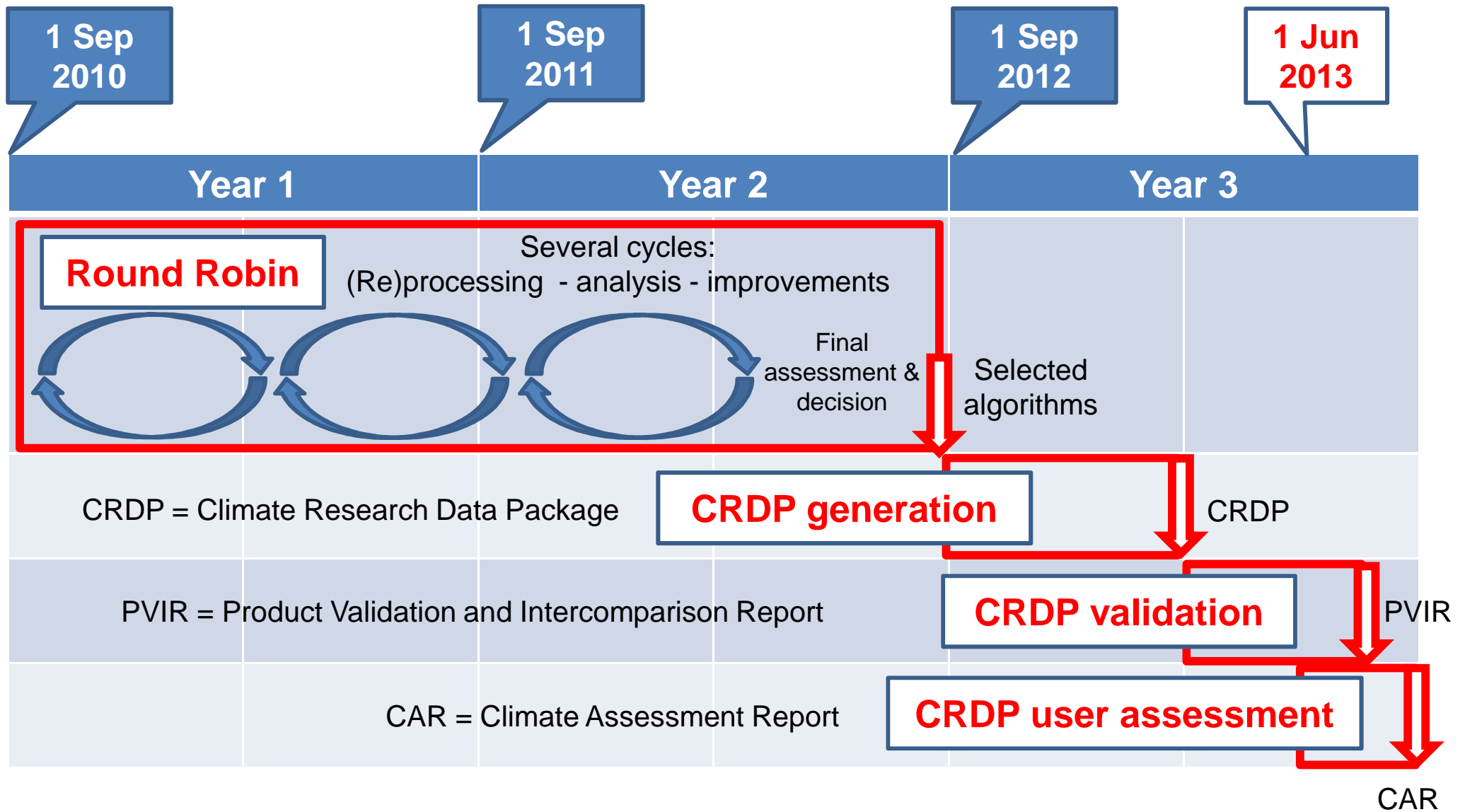
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GHG-CCI Phase 1 Schedule



Algorithms & Products compared during Round Robin (RR)



Core Products	GHG-CCI ECV Core Algos. (ECAs)						For comparison	
	IUP		UoL		SRON		NIES	NASA
	BESD	WFMD	OCPR	OCFP	SRPR	SRFP	Official GOSAT & PPDF	ACOS
SCIA XCO ₂	ECV?	ECV?						
SCIA XCH ₄		ECV?			ECV? (IMAP)			
GOSAT XCO ₂				ECV? (OCO)		ECV? (RemoTeC)	cmp	cmp
GOSAT XCH ₄			ECV? (OCO)	ECV? (OCO)	ECV? (RemoTeC)	ECV? (RemoTeC)	cmp	

Additional Constraints Algorithms (ACAs) / data products:

LMD: AIRS CO₂, IASI CO₂&CH₄, ACE-FTS CO₂, ...

KIT: MIPAS CH₄, IUP: SCIAMACHY/solar-occultation CH₄ & CO₂, ...

FCDR: DLR: SCIA L1 (in coop. with SQWG), JAXA: GOSAT L1, ...

GHG-CCI: Performance estimates

(status @ end of Round Robin)



Comparison of GHG-CCI core data products (ECAs) with TCCON				
XCO ₂ [ppm]				
Algorithm	Sensor	Estimated precision single observation	Estimated relative accuracy	Number of satellite obs.
WFMD v2.2	SCIAMACHY	5.1	1.3	30752
BESD v1 ^{#)}	SCIAMACHY	2.3	0.7	9467
OCFP v3.0	TANSO	2.7	0.6	2830
SRFP v1.1	TANSO	2.8	0.9	2558
Required (URD):		< 8(T), 3(B), 1(G)	< 0.5(T), 0.3(B), 0.2(G)	-
XCH ₄ [ppb]				
Algorithm	Sensor	Estimated precision single observation	Estimated relative accuracy	Number of satellite obs.
WFMD v2.3	SCIAMACHY	82 (~30 ^{#)}	11 [4-12 ^{#)}	37628
IMAP v6.0	SCIAMACHY	50 (~30 ^{#)}	15 [4-13 ^{#)}	39489
OCFP v3.2	TANSO	16	8	3176
SRFP v1.1	TANSO	15	3	2558
OCPR v3.2	TANSO	13	2	7323
SRPR v1.1	TANSO	14	3	4900
Required (URD):		< 34(T), 17(B), 9(G)	< 10(T), 5(B), 3(G)	-

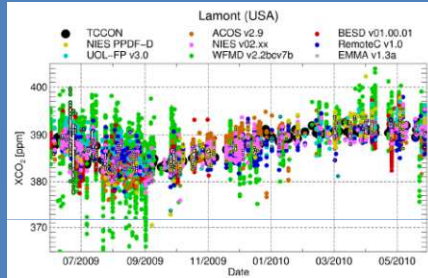
Requirements: T = Threshold, B = Breakthrough, G = Goal

#) SCIAMACHY 2003-2005 (lower quality after 2005 due to detector degradation)

XCO₂: Comparison with ground-based TCCON & global comparison

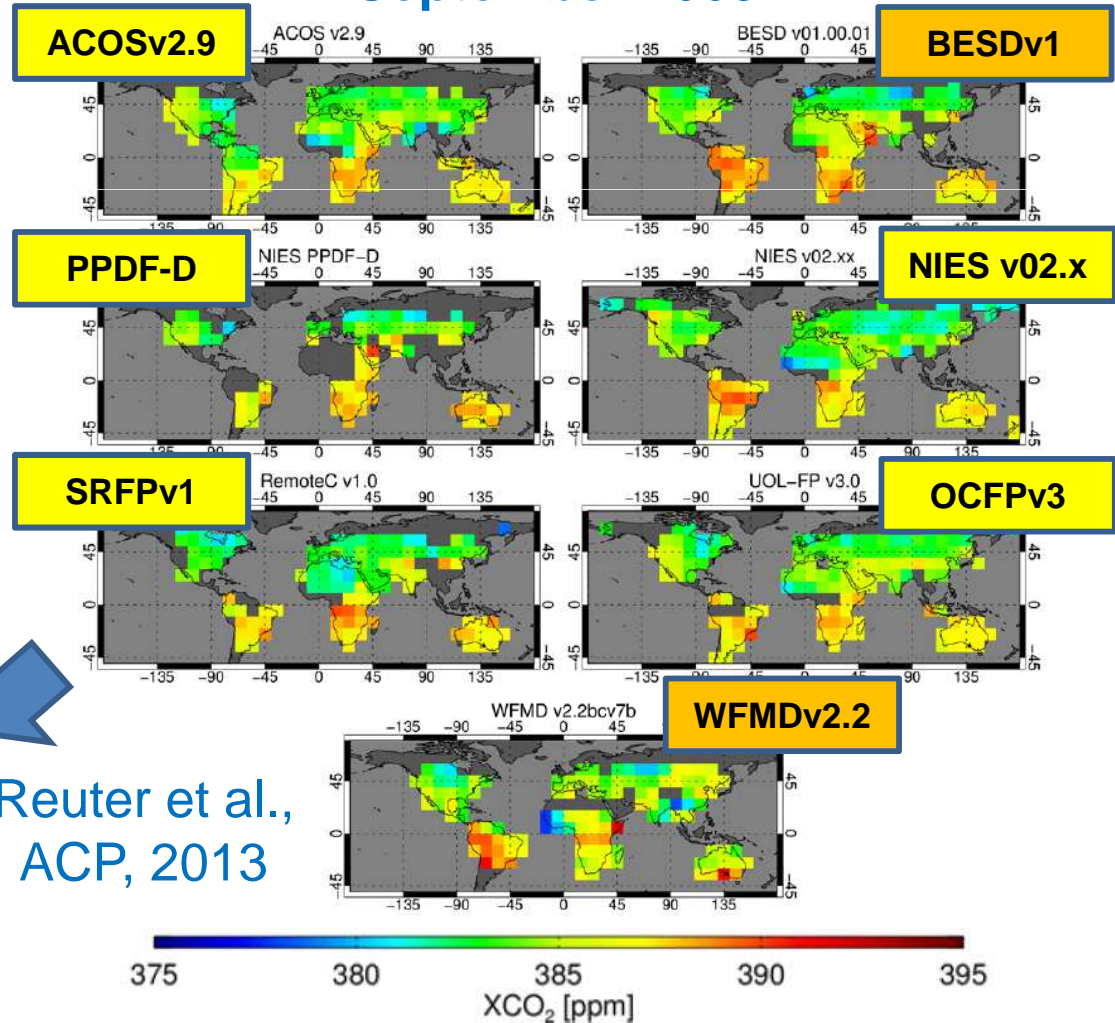


XCO₂: Satellite vs TCCON (Jun 2009 – May 2010)

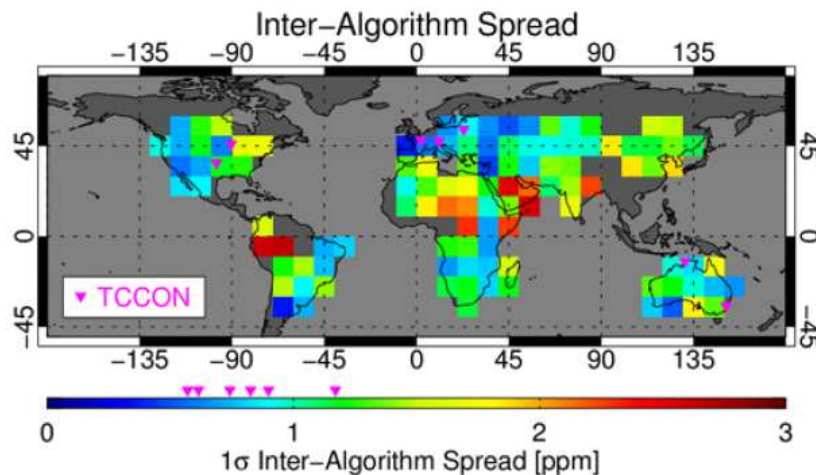


Algorithm	#	σ [ppm]	Δ [ppm]
ACOS v2.9	1530	2.1	0.9
BESD v01.00.01	2789	2.3	0.9
NIES PPDF-D	460	3.1	0.8
NIES v02.xx	1062	1.9	0.7
RemoteC v1.0	1084	2.5	0.9
UOL-FP v3.0	1086	2.3	0.8
WFMD v2.2bcv7b	8884	4.4	1.3

September 2009



Reuter et al.,
ACP, 2013



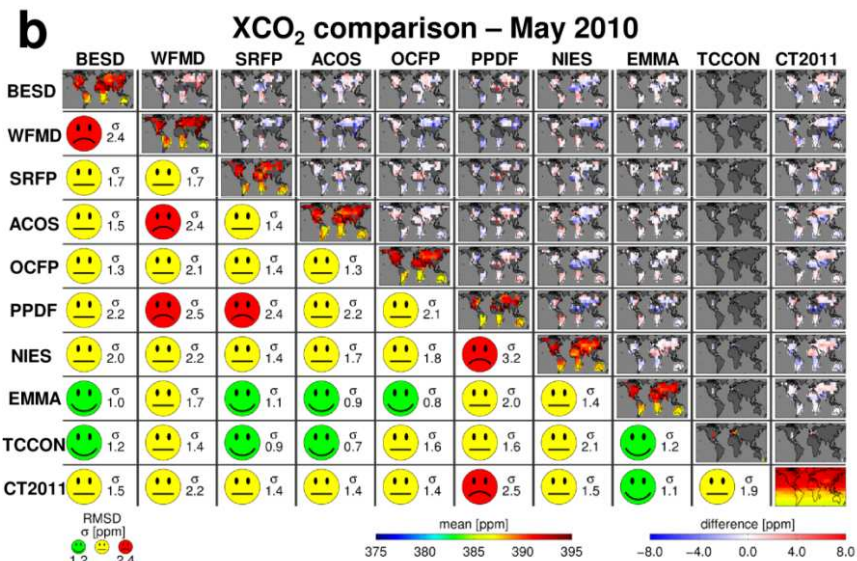
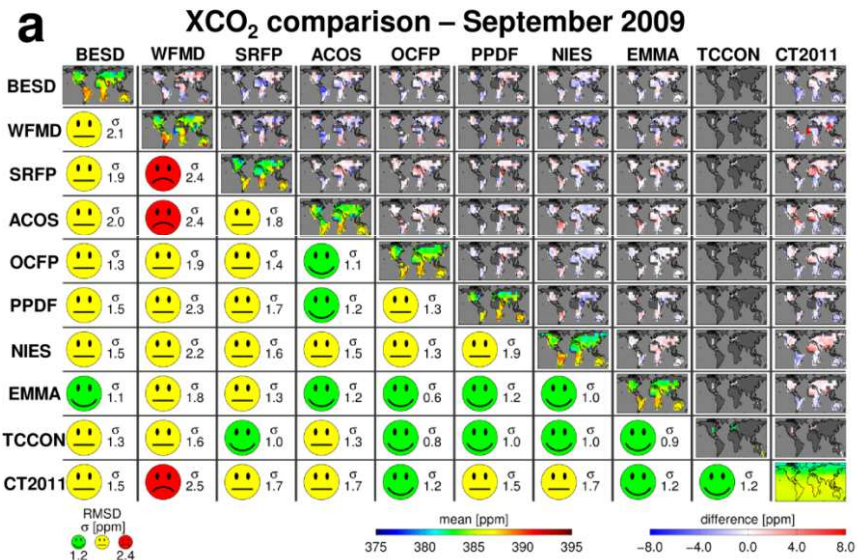
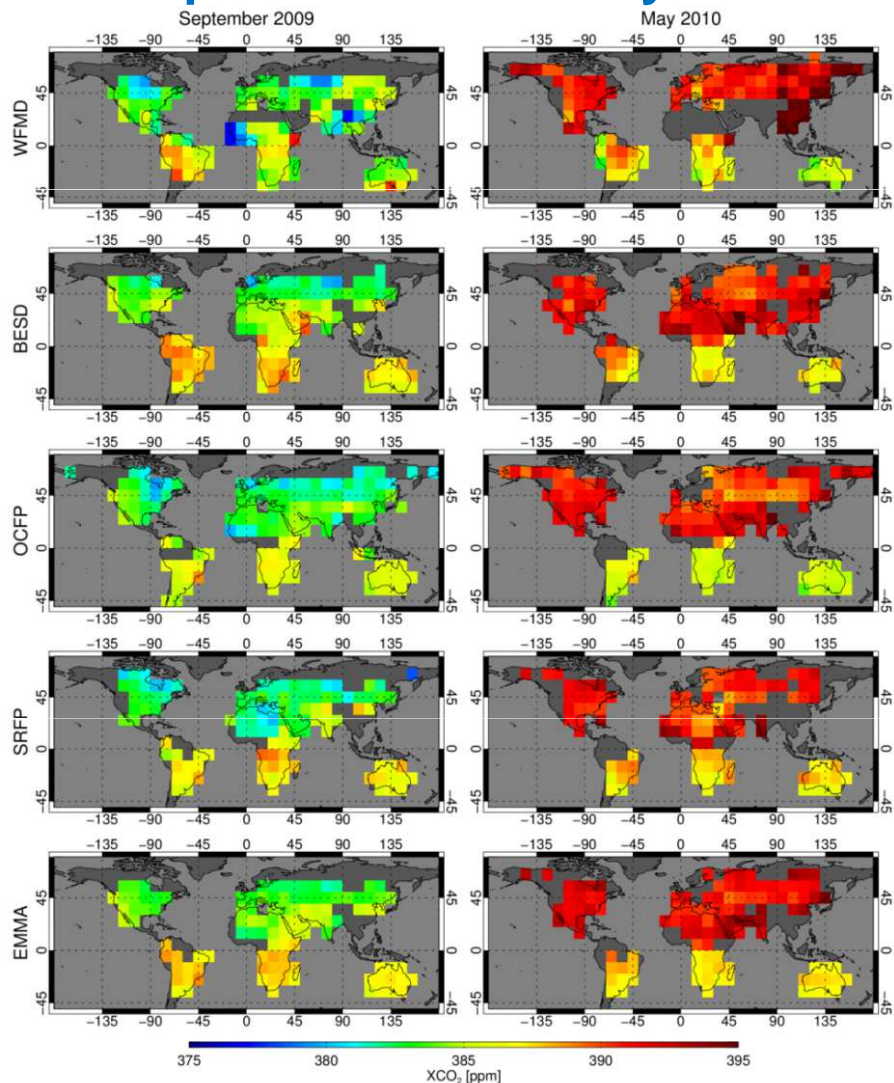
Different algorithms & different sensors: Overall good agreement with TCCON but significant differences remote from TCCON

XCO₂: Global comparisons



Sep 2009

May 2010

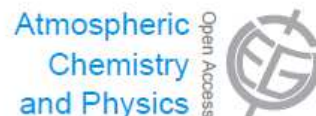


Different algorithms & different sensors: Overall reasonable to good agreement (e.g. seasonal variations) but significant differences at smaller scales -> Ensemble product „EMMA“ for comparison & as additional product ⁶

Ensemble algorithm "EMMA"



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A joint effort to deliver satellite retrieved atmospheric CO₂ concentrations for surface flux inversions: the ensemble median algorithm EMMA

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- A „**comparison tool**“ for global satellite XCO₂ (truth = unknown !?)
- A new „**robust**“ **Level 2 product** based on „merging“ individual XCO₂ products
 - removal of outliers
 - realistic error estimates from ensemble spread

Algorithm	Sensor	Bands [μm]				Inversion	CO ₂ a Priori	Scattering	Main Cloud Filter	Empirical Bias Correction
		0.76	1.58	1.60	2.05					
ACOS v2.9	GOSAT	•		•	•	OE	model	FP (4EP20)	O ₂ -A	•
BESD v01.00.01	SCIAMACHY	•	•			OE	static	FP (CWP, CTH, APS ₁)	MERIS	•
NIES v02.xx	GOSAT	•		•	•	OE	model	FP (AOD)	CAI	
PPDF-DOAS	GOSAT	•		•	•	OE	static	PPDF (RSL, PLMP)	CAI	
RemoteC v1.0	GOSAT	•		•	•	TP	static	FP (APNC, ASP, AH)	CAI	•
UOL-FP v3.0	GOSAT	•		•	•	OE	model	FP (APS ₂ , CEPS)	O ₂ -A	•
WFMD v2.2bcv7b	SCIAMACHY	•	•			LS	static	PR (CO ₂ /O ₂)	PMD	•

EMMA: Method



L2 data of different retrievals
with different sampling

L3 data monthly $10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ grid

trace back to L2

median

unknown truth

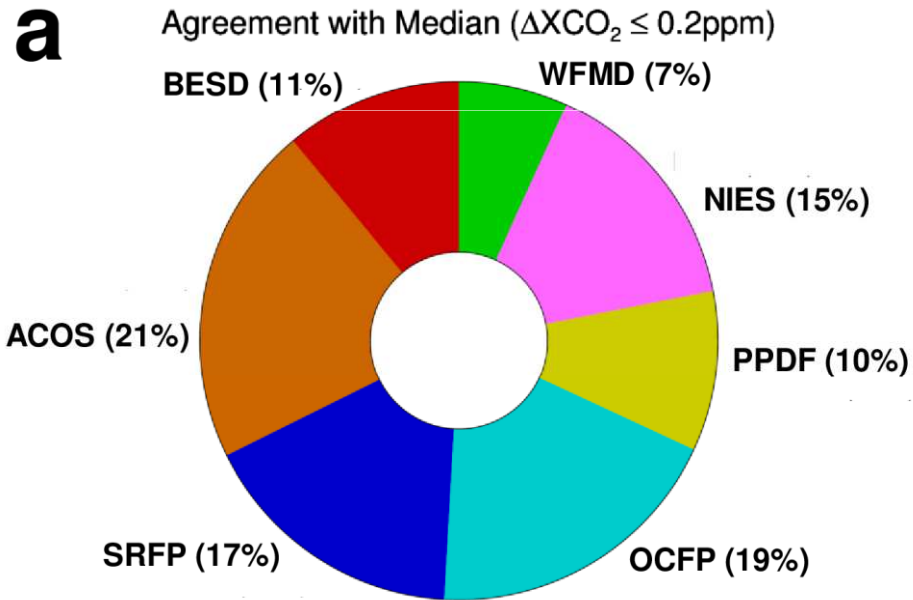
EMMA L2 data product

The EMMA product is a Level 2 (L2) product obtained by selecting – for each month and each $10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ grid cell – the „best“ individual XCO₂ product, where „best“ = median

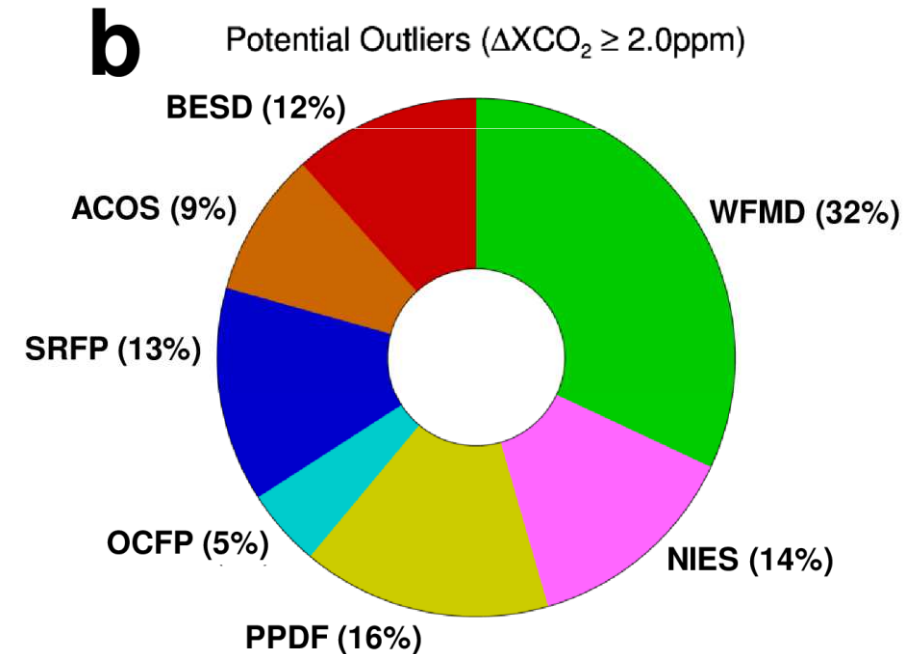
Comparison of various XCO₂ data sets using Ensemble Algorithm EMMA



Agreement with Median



Potential outliers



Buchwitz et al., Remote Sensing of Environment (in press)

SCIAMACHY XCO₂:

- BESD v01.00.01
- WFMD v2.2

GOSAT XCO₂:

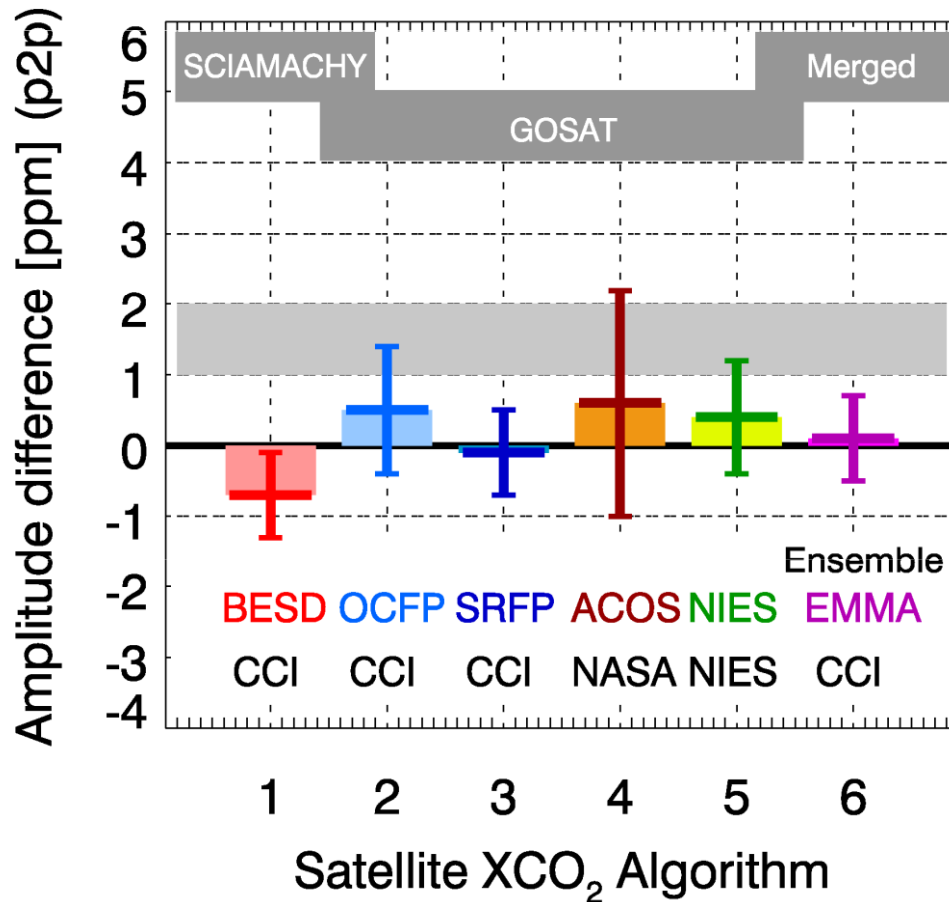
- NIES v02.xx
- PPDF-D
- ACOS 2.9
- RemoteC 1.0 / SRFP
- UoL-FP v3.2 / OCFP

Comparison of various XCO₂ data sets: CO₂ seasonal cycle

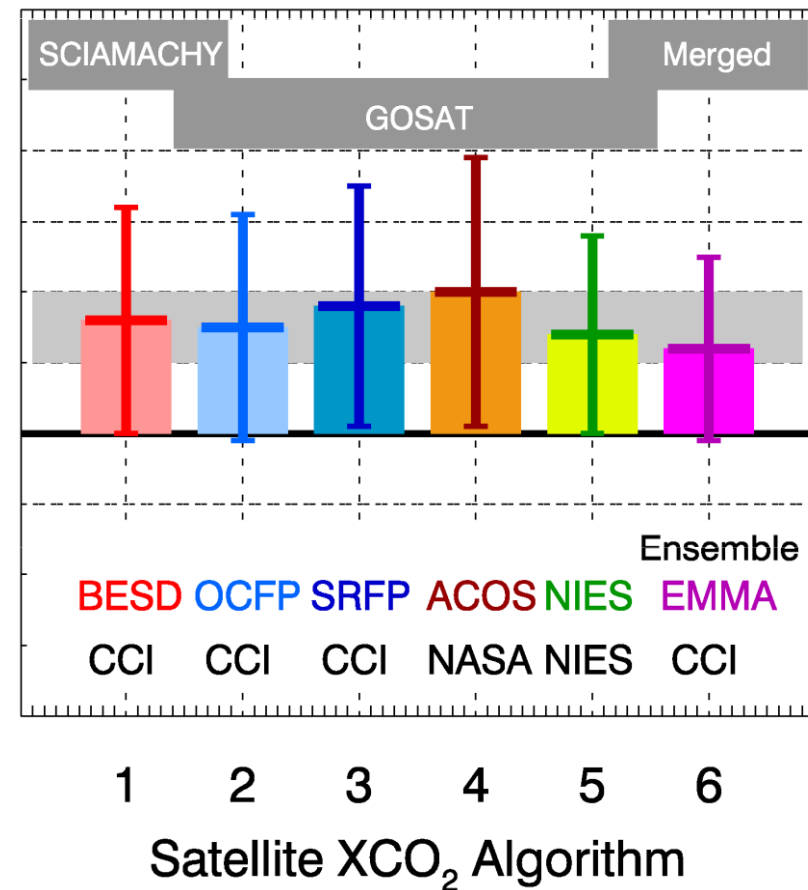


Comparison of CO₂ seasonal cycle amplitudes

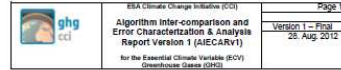
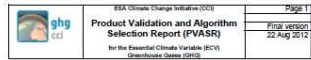
Satellite vs TCCON



Satellite vs CT2011



GHG-CCI Round Robin Decisions



Purpose of RR decision: Select algos to be used for CRDP

RR decisions:

Product	Competing Algorithms	Selected Algorithm
XCO ₂ SCIA	WFMD BESD	BESD Lower biases & higher single observation precision
XCO ₂ GOSAT	OCFP SRFP	OCFP & SRFP Sig. sys. differences but not clear which product is more accurate
XCO ₂ merged („EMMA“)	N/A	Ensemble algorithm/product -> Add to GHG-CCI portfolio
XCH ₄ SCIA	WFMD IMAP	WFMD & IMAP Sig. sys. differences but not clear which product is more accurate
XCH ₄ GOSAT	OCFP + PR SRFP + PR	SRFP (slight better than OCFP) OCPR (slight better than SRPR) i.e. 1 FP (GHG-CCI goal) and 1 PR (more data & more mature)
ACA products	N/A	All (RREP criteria fulfilled)

ESA Climate Change Initiative (CCI)
Product Validation and Algorithm Selection Report (PVASR)
for the Essential Climate Variable (ECV)
Greenhouse Gases (GHG)

PVASR

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ESA Climate Change Initiative (CCI)
Algorithm Inter-comparison and Error Characterization & Analysis Report (AIECAR)
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AIECARv1

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GHG-CCI CRG approved

Climate Research Data Package (CRDP)



GHG-CCI Climate Research Data Package (CRDP)											
Product ID	Product (Level 2, mixing ratios)	Years processed									
		2003	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
ECV Core Products (ECAs)											
XCO2_SCIA	XCO ₂										
XCH4_SCIA	XCH ₄										
XCO2_GOSAT	XCO ₂										
XCH4_GOSAT	XCH ₄										
XCO2_EMMA	XCO ₂										
Additional Constraints Products (ACAs)											
CO2_AIRS	CO ₂ (1)										
CO2_IASI	CO ₂ (1)										
CH4_IASI	CH ₄ (1)										
CH4_SCIAOCC	CH ₄ (2)										
CO2_SCIAOCC	CO ₂ (2)										
CH4_MIPAS	CH ₄ (2)										
CO2_ACEFTS	CO ₂ (2)										
Comments:						Algorithms ECAs:					
(1) Mid / upper tropospheric column;						XCO2_SCIA: BESD (WFMD)					
(2) Upper tropospheric / stratospheric profile						XCH4_SCIA: IMAP, WFMD					
						XCO2_GOSAT: SRFP(RemoTeC), OCFP					
						XCH4_GOSAT: SRFP, OCPR					
						XCO2_EMMA: Various (merged SCIA & GOSAT)					

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GHG-CCI Phase 1:

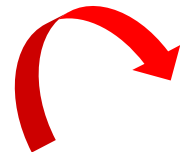
- **Round Robin finished** (as planned Aug 2012)
- **CRDP generation finished** (as planned Feb 2013)
- Ongoing:
 - **CRDP validation & user assessment**
 - **If ready, CRDP will be made publicly available** (plan: Sept 2013)
 - Available already now on request

Climate Research Data Package (CRDP)

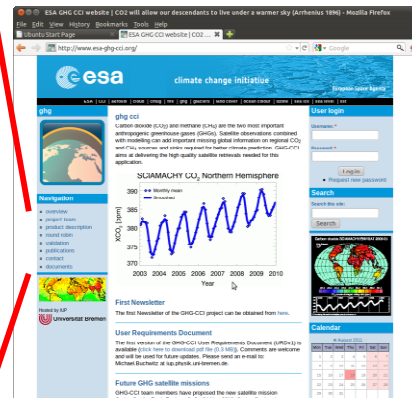
GHG-CCI CRDP available data: Core products (ECAs)

ID	Product	Sensor	Algo	Provider	Coverage	Link to product
CO2_SCI_BESD	XCO2	SCIAMACHY	BESD	IUP	global, 2003-2012	Link
CO2_SCI_WFMD	XCO2	SCIAMACHY	WFMD	IUP	global, 2003-2012	Link
CO2_GOS_OCFP	XCO2	GOSAT	OCFP	Univ.Leicester	TCCON, 2009-2012	Link
CO2_GOS_SRFP	XCO2	GOSAT	SRFP	SRON	TCCON, 2009-2012	Link
CO2_EMMA	XCO2	GOSAT/SCIA	EMMA	Joint	TCCON, 2009-2012	Link
CH4_SCI_IMAP	XCH4	SCIAMACHY	IMAP	SRON	TCCON, 2003-2012	Link
CH4_SCI_WFMD	XCH4	SCIAMACHY	WFMD	IUP	global, 2003-2012	Link
CH4_GOS_OCPR	XCH4	GOSAT	OCFP	Univ.Leicester	global, 2009-2012	Link
CH4_GOS_SRFP	XCH4	GOSAT	SRFP	SRON	global, 2009-2012	Link

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- **CRDP New !**
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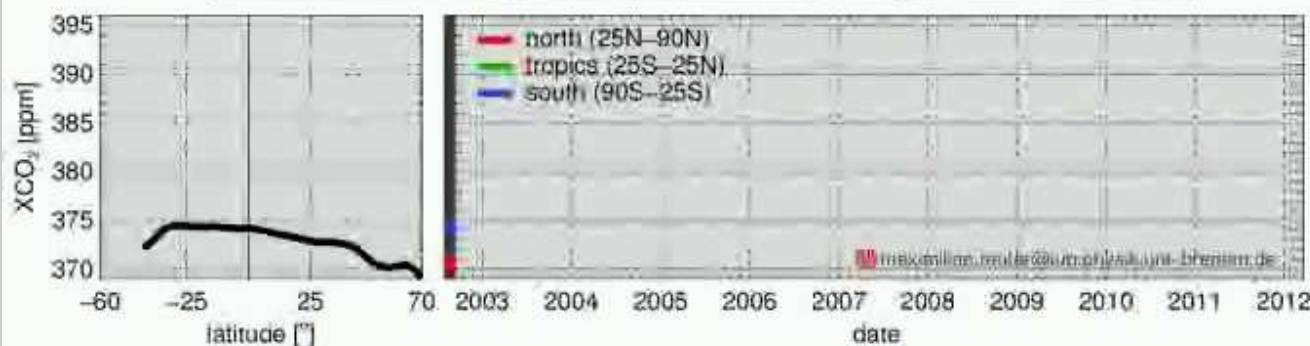
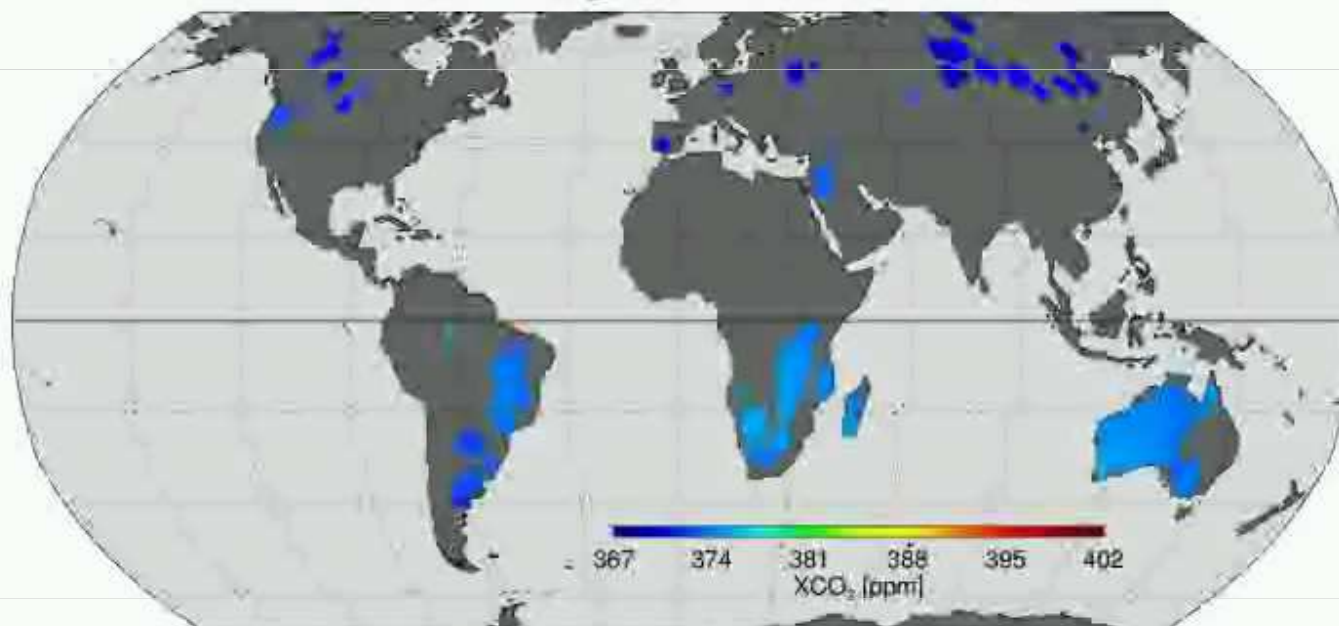


SCIAMACHY/BESD XCO₂ 2002-2012

First animation covering entire ENVISAT period



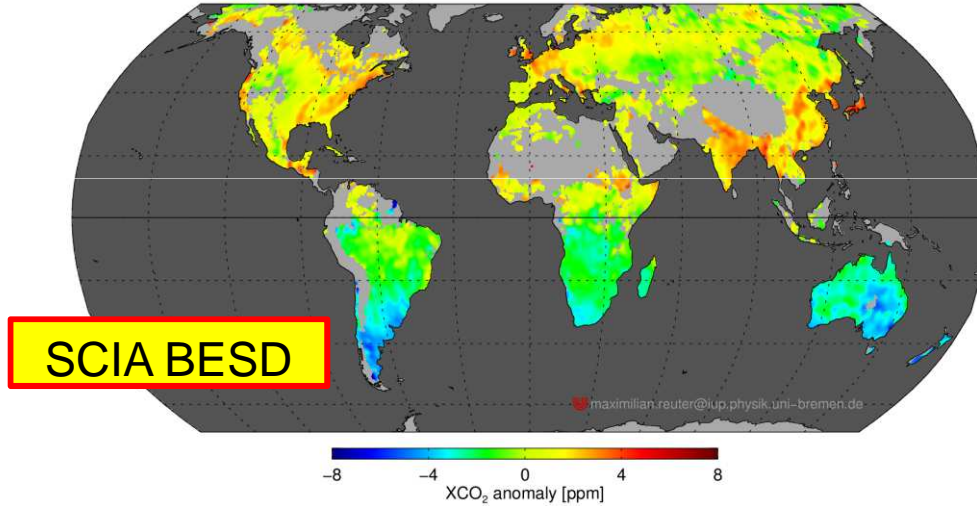
SCIAMACHY XCO₂ (BESD v02.00.08) 20.08.2002



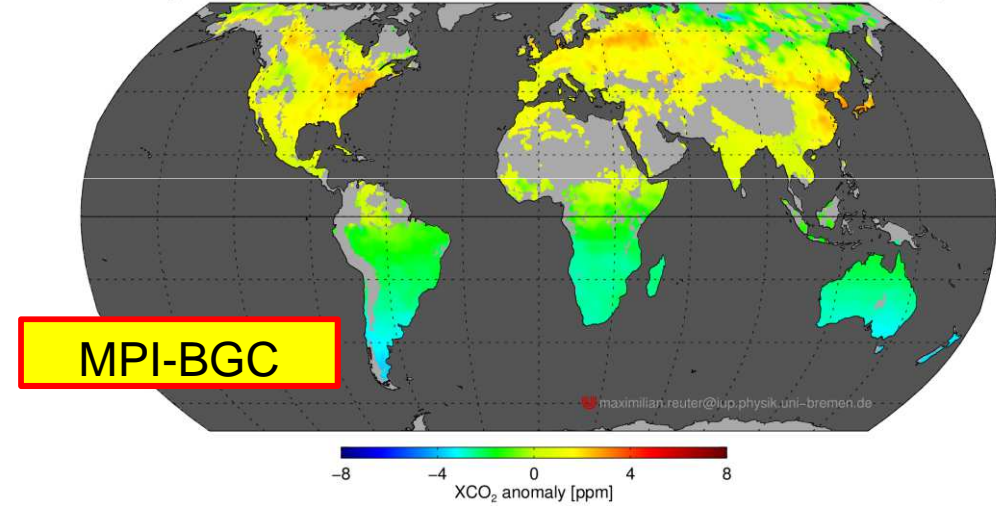
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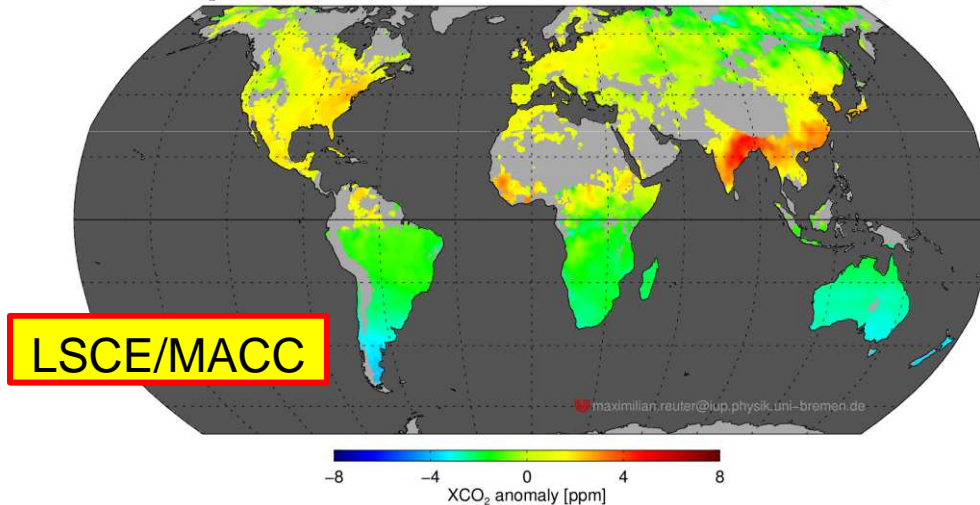
XCO₂ anomaly Apr/May/June 2004–2010, SCIAMACHY BESD v02.00.04



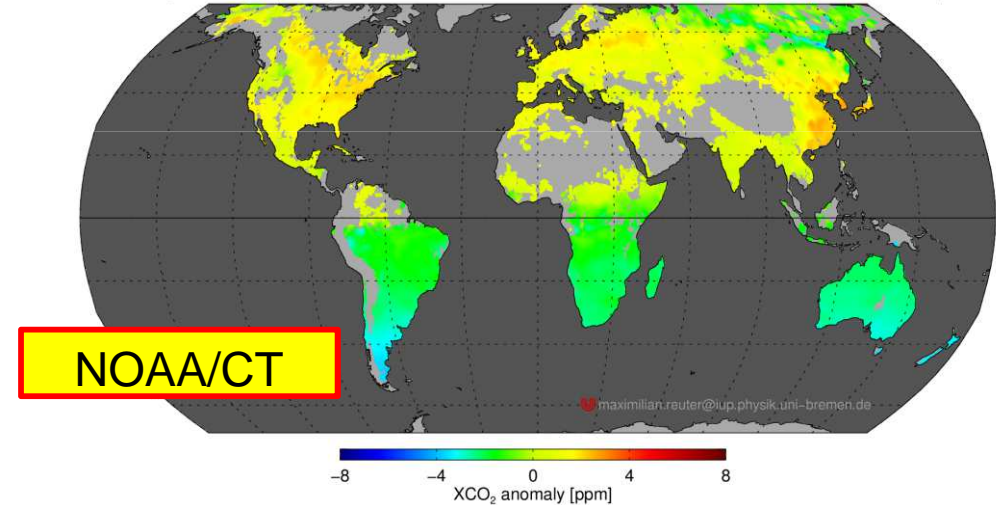
XCO₂ anomaly Apr/May/June 2004–2010, MPI BGC JENA ANA96 v3.4 (sampled as BESD)



XCO₂ anomaly Apr/May/June 2004–2010, LSCE MACC flask (sampled as BESD)



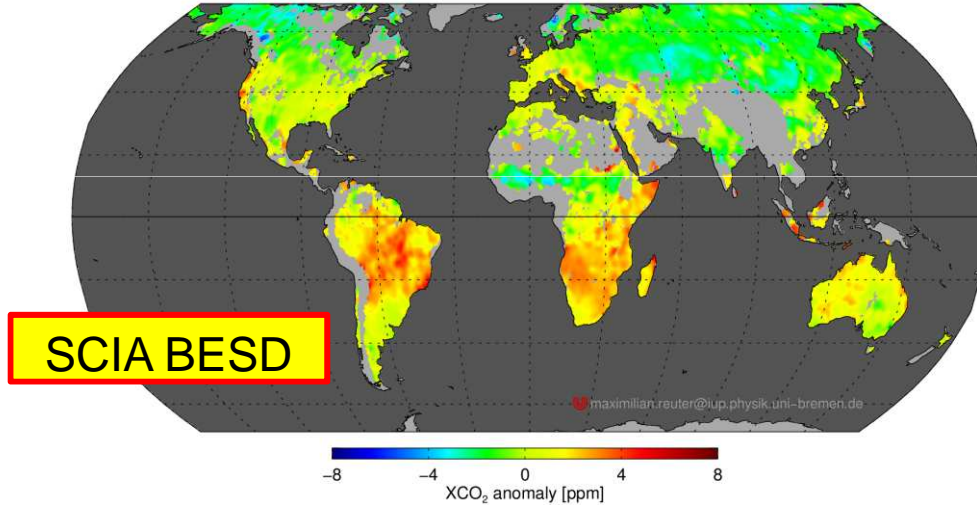
XCO₂ anomaly Apr/May/June 2004–2010, NOAA CarbonTracker v2011 (sampled as BESD)



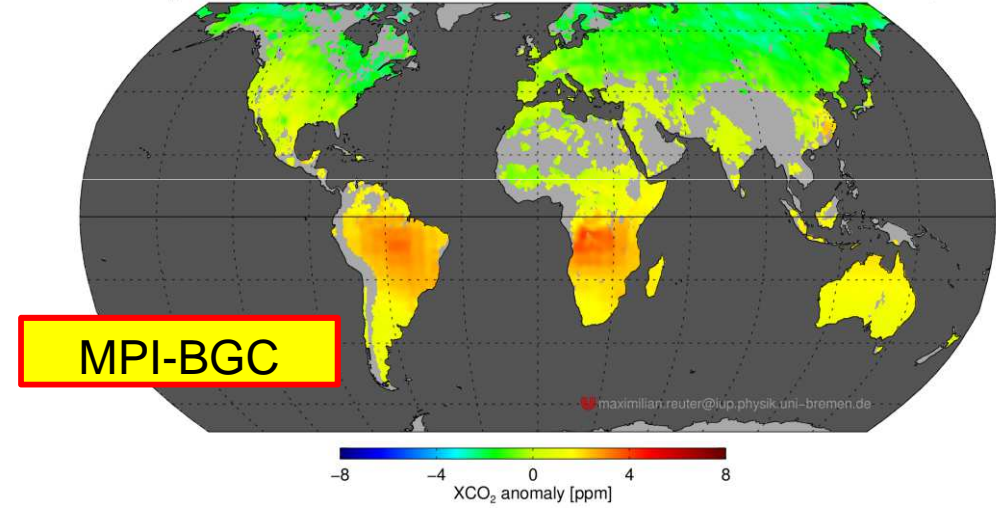
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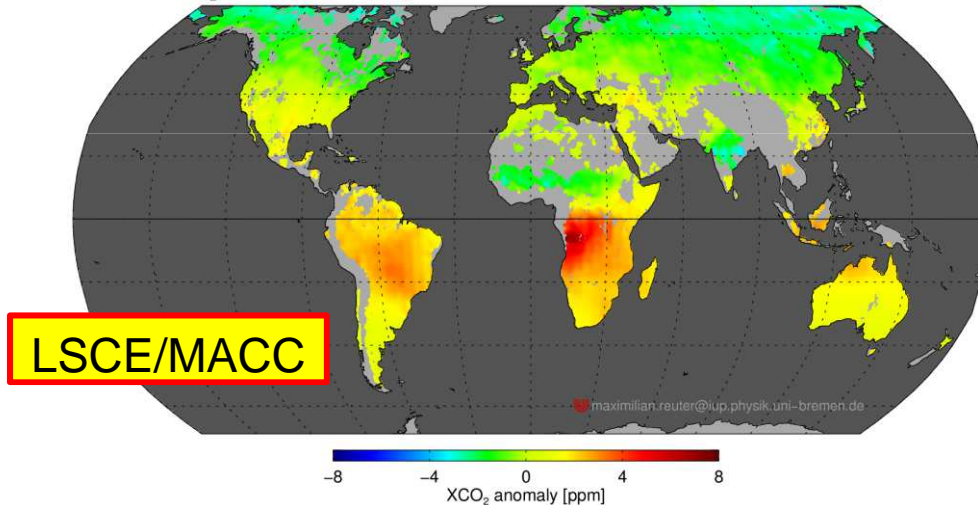
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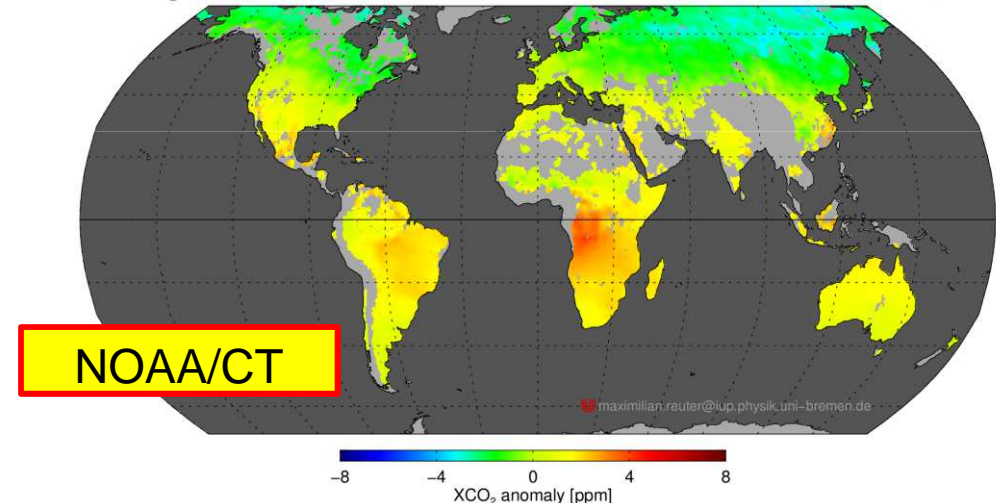
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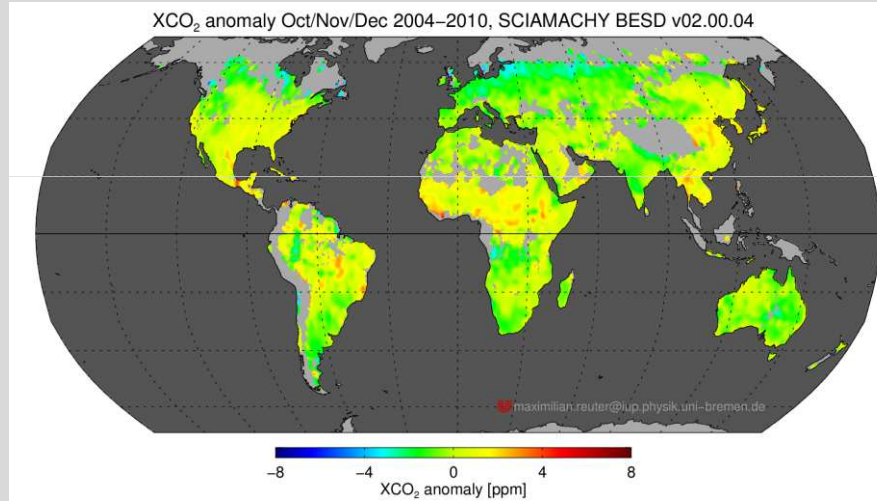
SCIAMACHY/BESD XCO₂: Initial CO₂ flux inversion



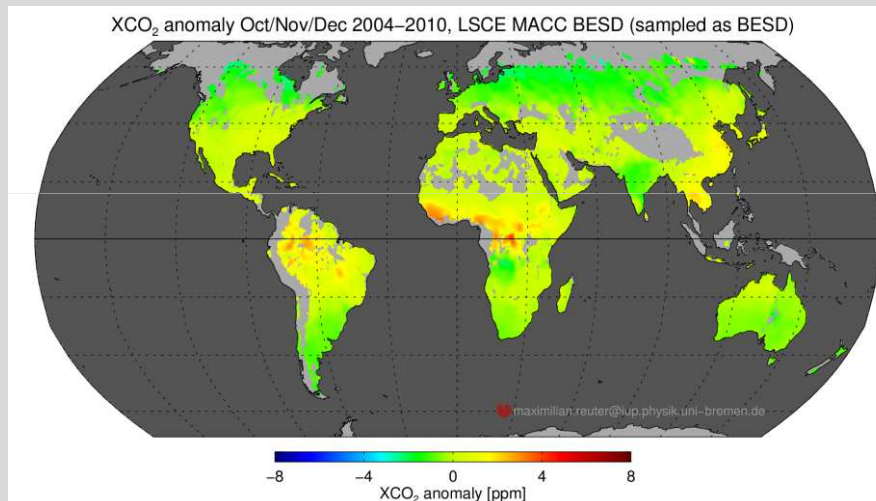
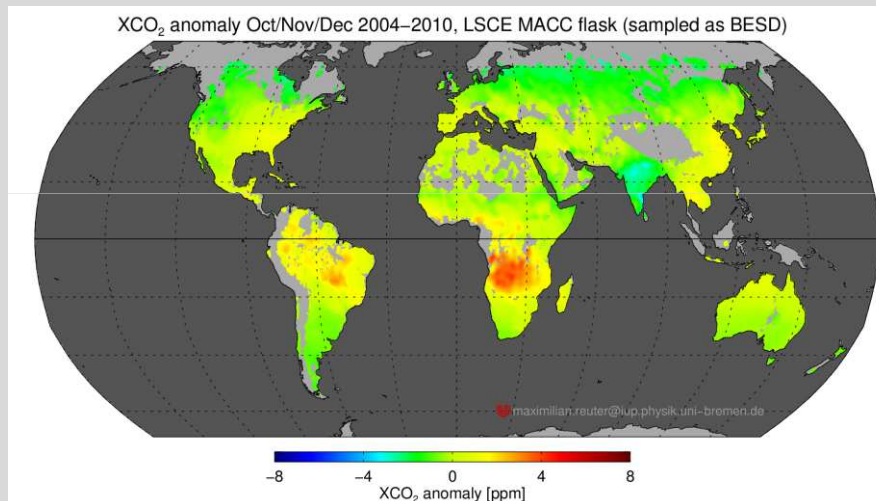
SCIA BESD

Satellite →

**Model
(flasks assimilated)**



**Model
(satellite assimilated)**



LSCE/MACC

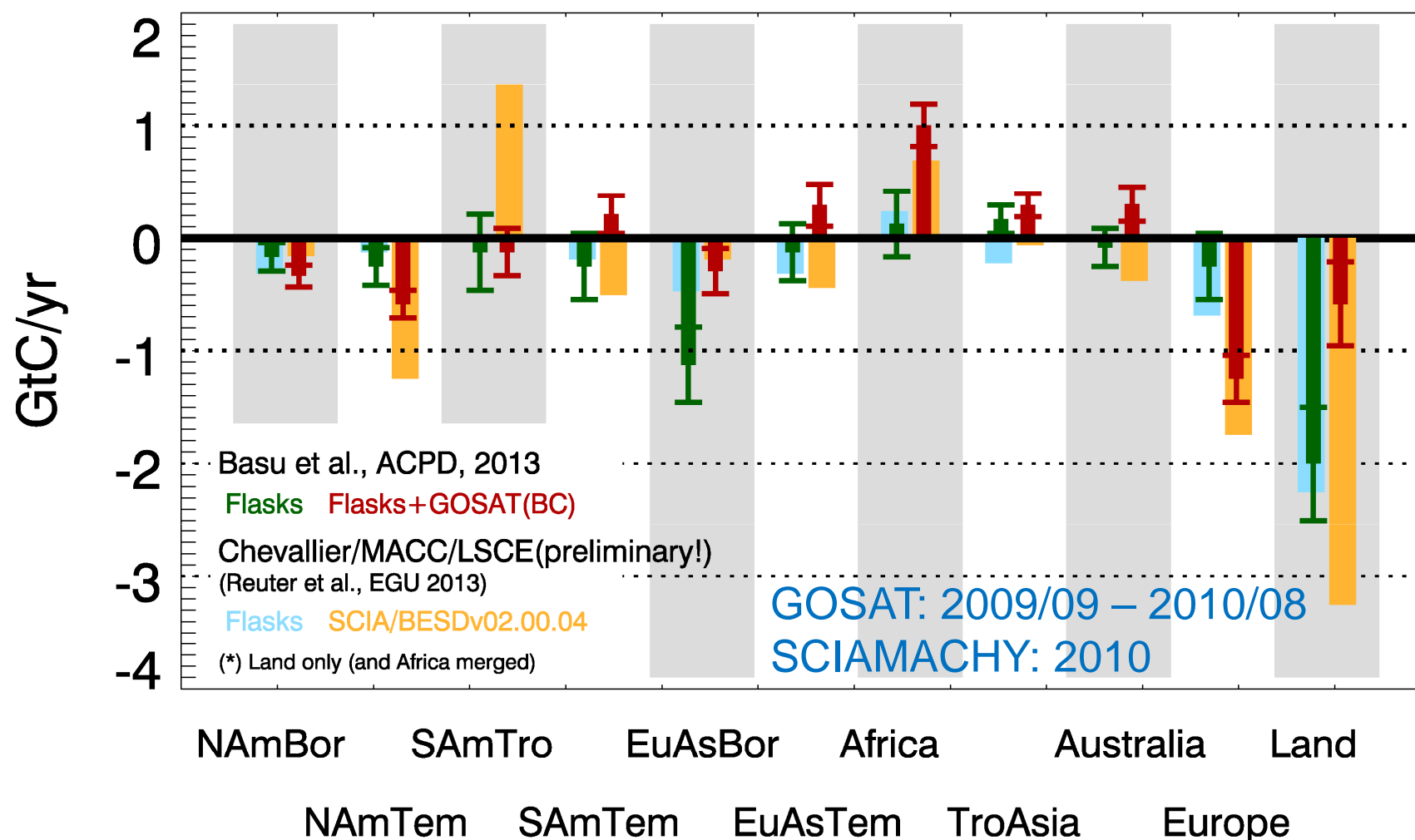
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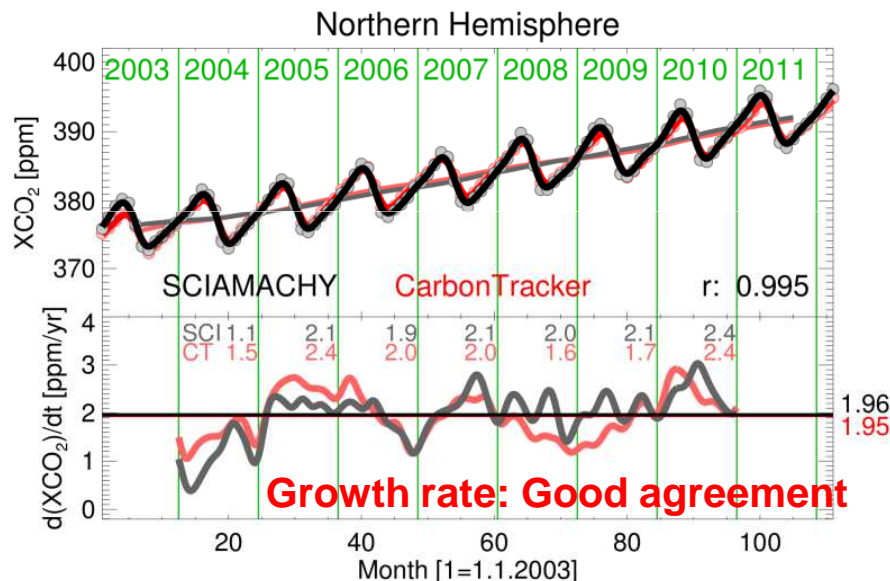
Initial preliminary surface fluxes & comparison with Basu et al. CO₂ fluxes derived from GOSAT



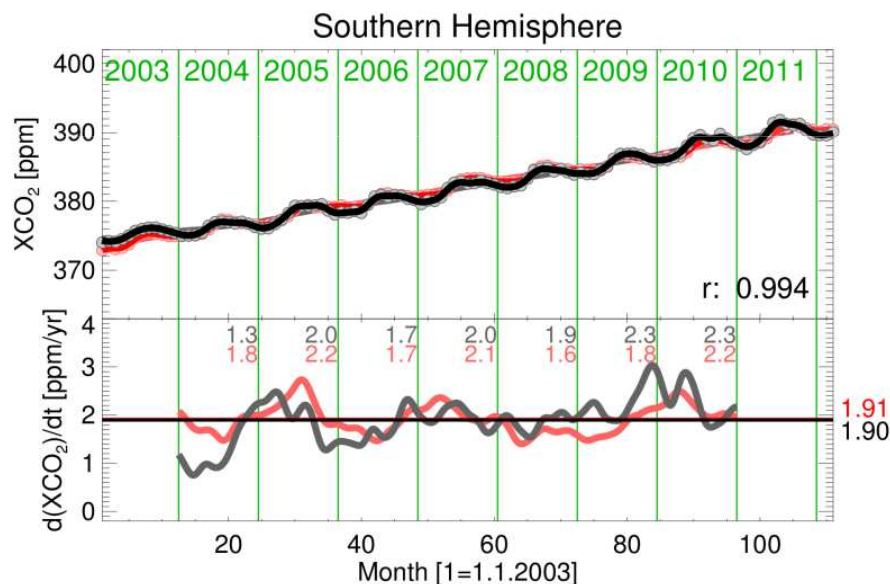
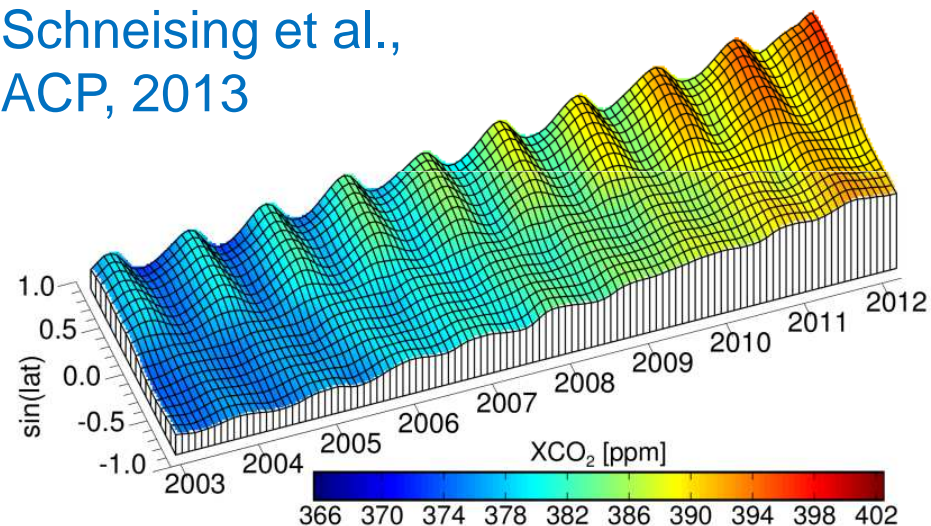
CO₂ Fluxes TransCom Regions^(*)



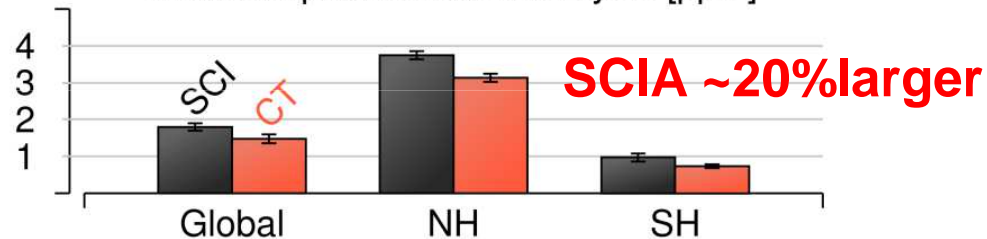
Model comparison: SCIAMACHY/WFMD XCO₂ versus NOAA's CarbonTracker



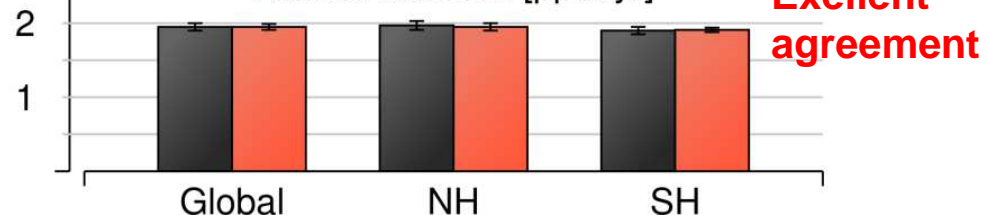
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Mean amplitude seasonal cycle [ppm]



Annual increase [ppm/yr]

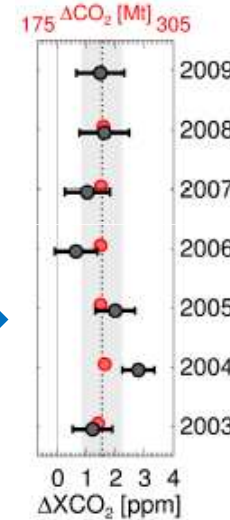
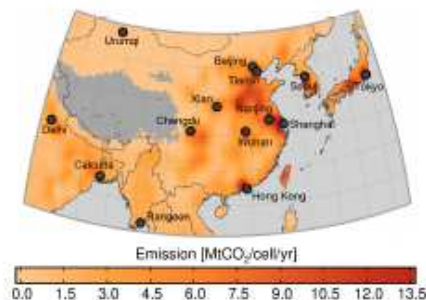
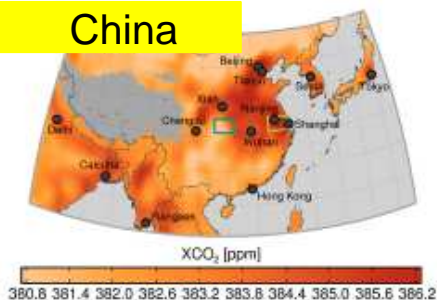
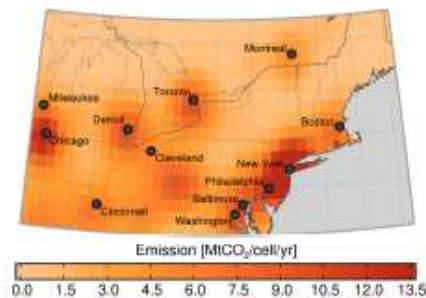
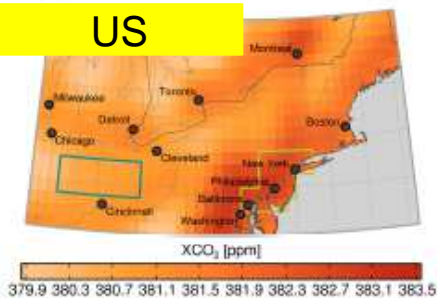
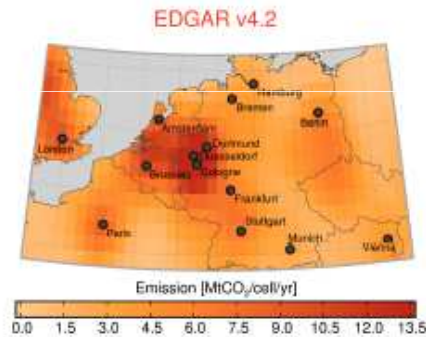
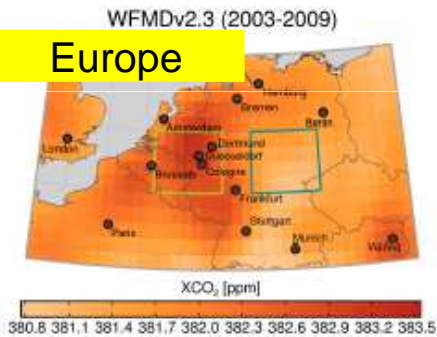


SCIAMACHY/WFMD: CO₂ over major anthropogenic source regions



SCIAMACHY XCO₂

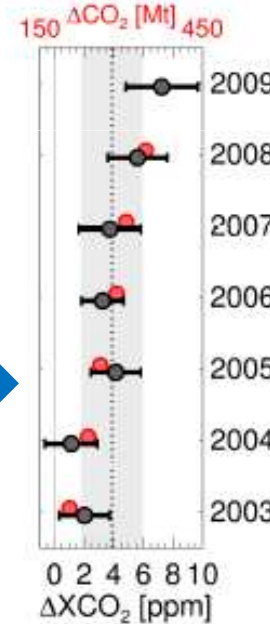
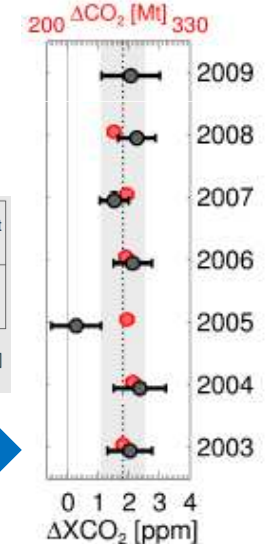
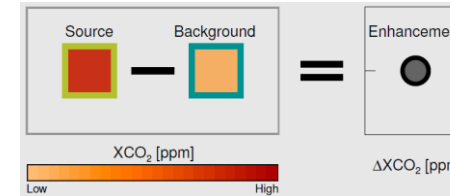
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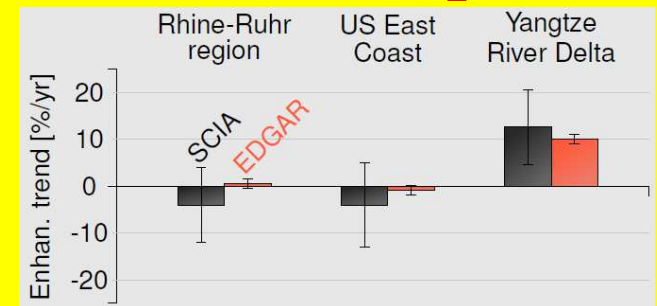
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SCIAMACHY
EDGAR

Regional enhancement =
Source - Background



Trend [%CO₂/yr]



**EDGAR emissions
consistent with SCIAMACHY**

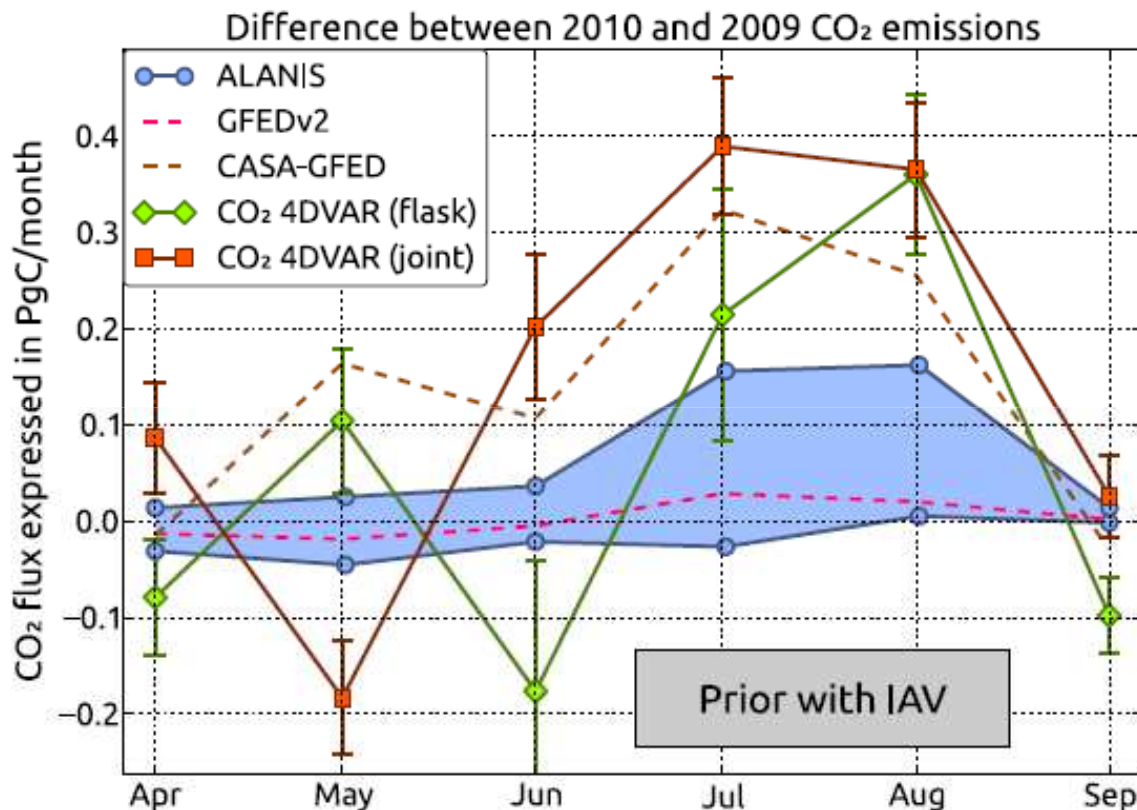
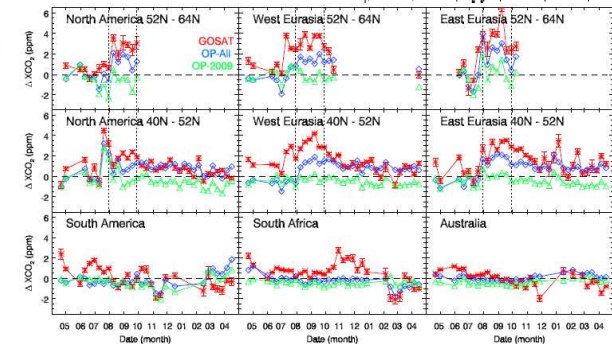
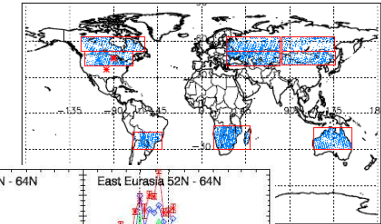
Inter-annual variability of carbon uptake: Guerlet et al., GRL (in press), 2013



Reduced carbon uptake during the 2010 Northern Hemisphere summer from GOSAT

S. Guerlet^{1,2}, S. Basu^{1,3}, A. Butz⁴, M. Krol^{1,3,5}, P. Hahne⁴, S. Houweling^{1,3},

O. P. Hasekamp¹, and I. Aben¹



Reduced carbon uptake in the summer of 2010 is most likely due to the heat wave in Eurasia driving biospheric fluxes and fire emissions.

A joint inversion of GOSAT and surface data estimates an integrated biospheric and fire emission anomaly in April–September of 0.89 ± 0.20 PgC over Eurasia.

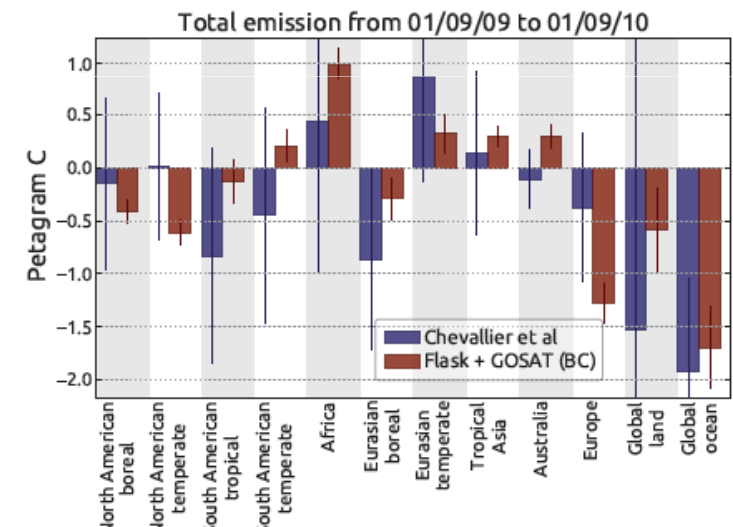
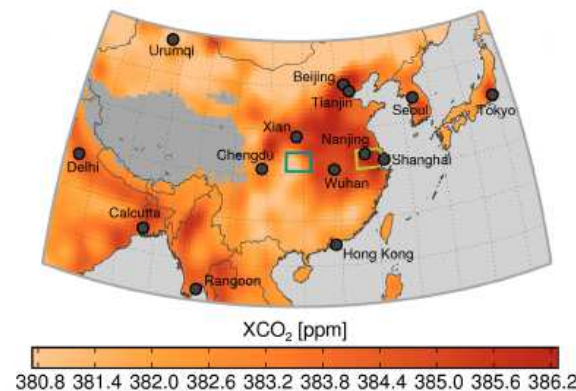
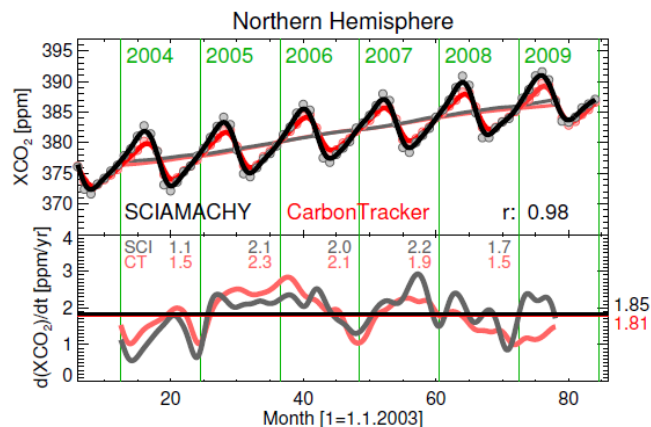
This shows the value of GOSAT XCO₂ in constraining the response of land-atmosphere exchange of CO₂ to climate events.

GHG-CCI: Scientific progress

as documented via peer-reviewed publications:



- **SCIAMACHY/ENVISAT XCH₄:** Longer time series with improved quality:
Schneising et al., 2011, 2012, Frankenberg et al., 2011
- **SCIAMACHY/ENVISAT XCO₂:** Longer time series with improved quality:
Heymann et al., 2012a/2012b, Schneising et al., 2011, 2012, Reuter et al., 2011, 2013
- **TANSO/GOSAT XCH₄ & XCO₂:** 1st published global data sets incl. inverse modeling results:
Guerlet et al., 2013, Basu et al., (ACPD), 2013, Cogan et al., 2012, Schepers et al., 2012, Parker et al., 2011, Butz et al., 2011
- **SCIA/GOSAT XCO₂ merged:** New innovative ensemble product („EMMA“):
Reuter et al., 2013
- & more (e.g. **GHG-CCI Round Robin approach & results**
Buchwitz et al., RSE (in press), 2013), ...





- **Project within schedule**
- **Many interesting scientific results, e.g., first CO₂ flux inversions**
- **Round Robin finished**
 - Details see: Buchwitz et al., RSE (in press), CCI Special Issue
- **CRDP ready but analysis ongoing:**
 - Validation ongoing (-> PVIR)
 - Initial user assessment ongoing (-> CAR)
 - Will be made publicly available including documentation once initial validation and user assessment ready (plan: Sep 2013)
 - (Unvalidated CRDP) Data available on request (see GHG-CCI website)
- Phase 1 cost neutrally extended until end of 2013 to avoid a likely contractual gap between Phase 1 and 2