

Main use of biomass burning emissions in CAMS



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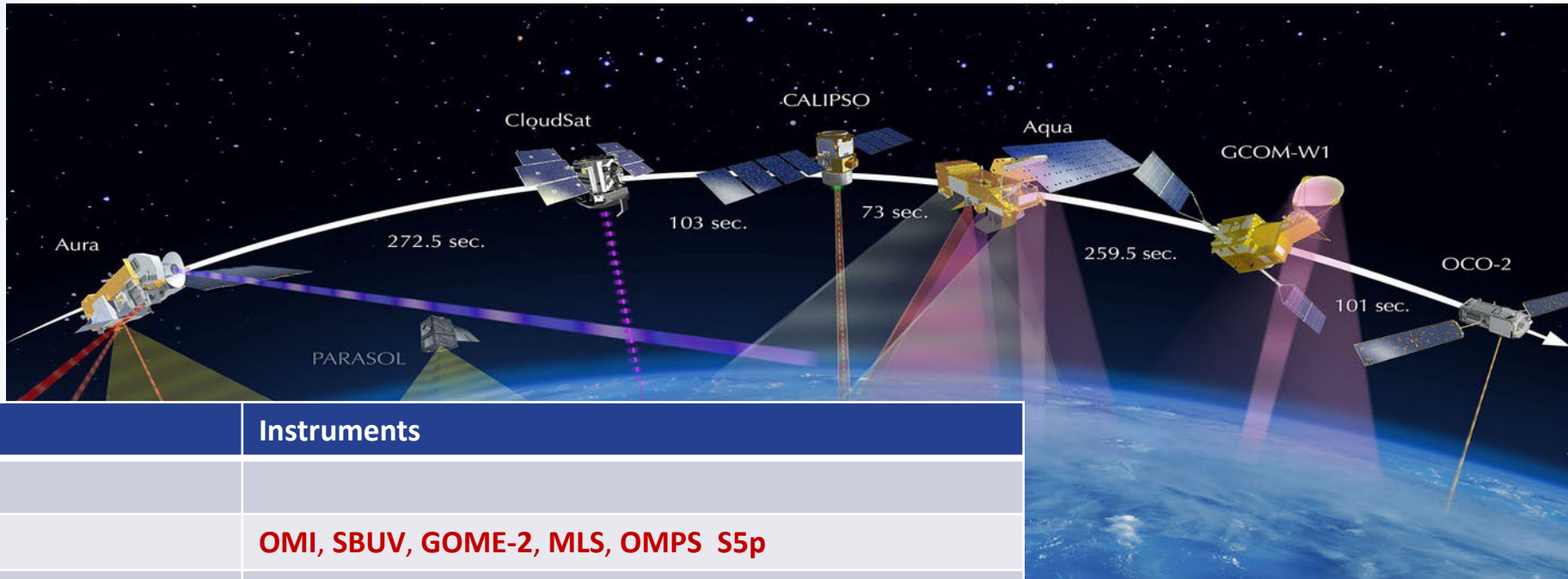
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Earth Observation satellites in CAMS



Species	Instruments
Global system	
O ₃	OMI, SBUV, GOME-2, MLS, OMPS S5p
CO	IASI, MOPITT, S5p
NO ₂	OMI, GOME-2, S5p
SO ₂	OMI, GOME-2, S5p
Aerosol	MODIS, PMAp, VIIRS, S3
CO ₂	GOSAT, OCO-2
CH ₄	GOSAT, IASI, S5p
GFAS fire emissions	MODIS, SEVIRI*, VIIRS, Sentinel-3, GOES-E/W*, HIMAWARI-8*

CAMS uses Earth Observation data from many satellites for atmospheric composition and weather.

Assimilated **Monitored** Under development

*Geostationary platform

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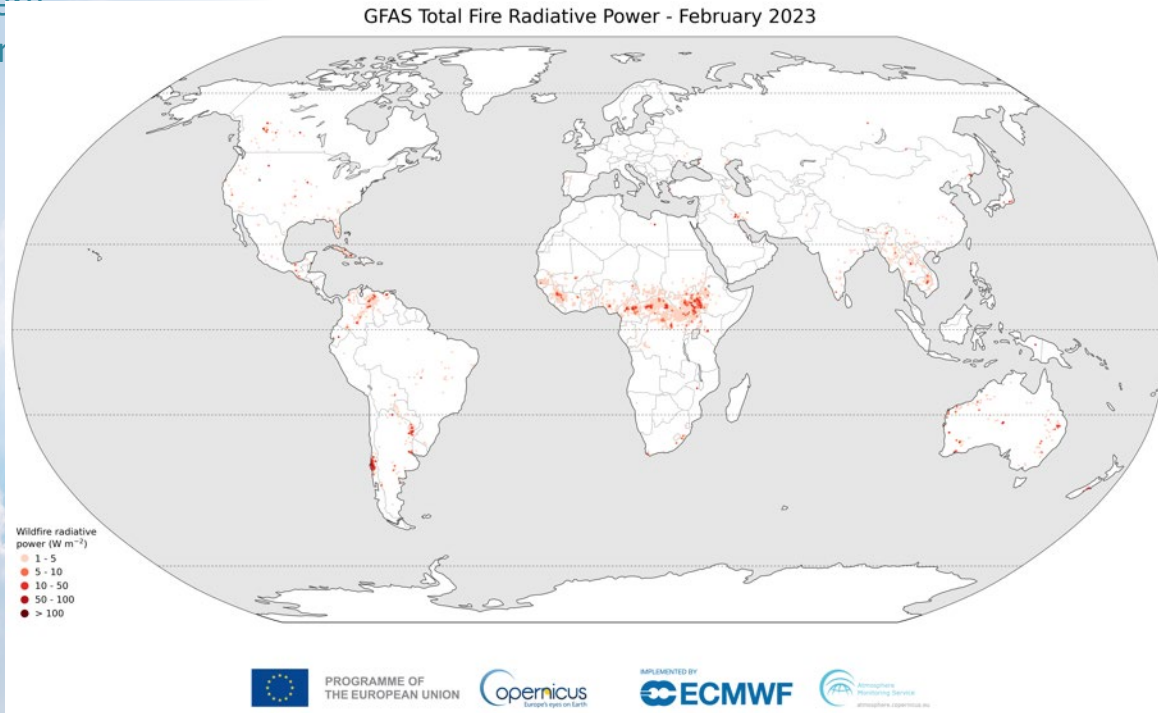


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Estimating Global Wildfire Emissions



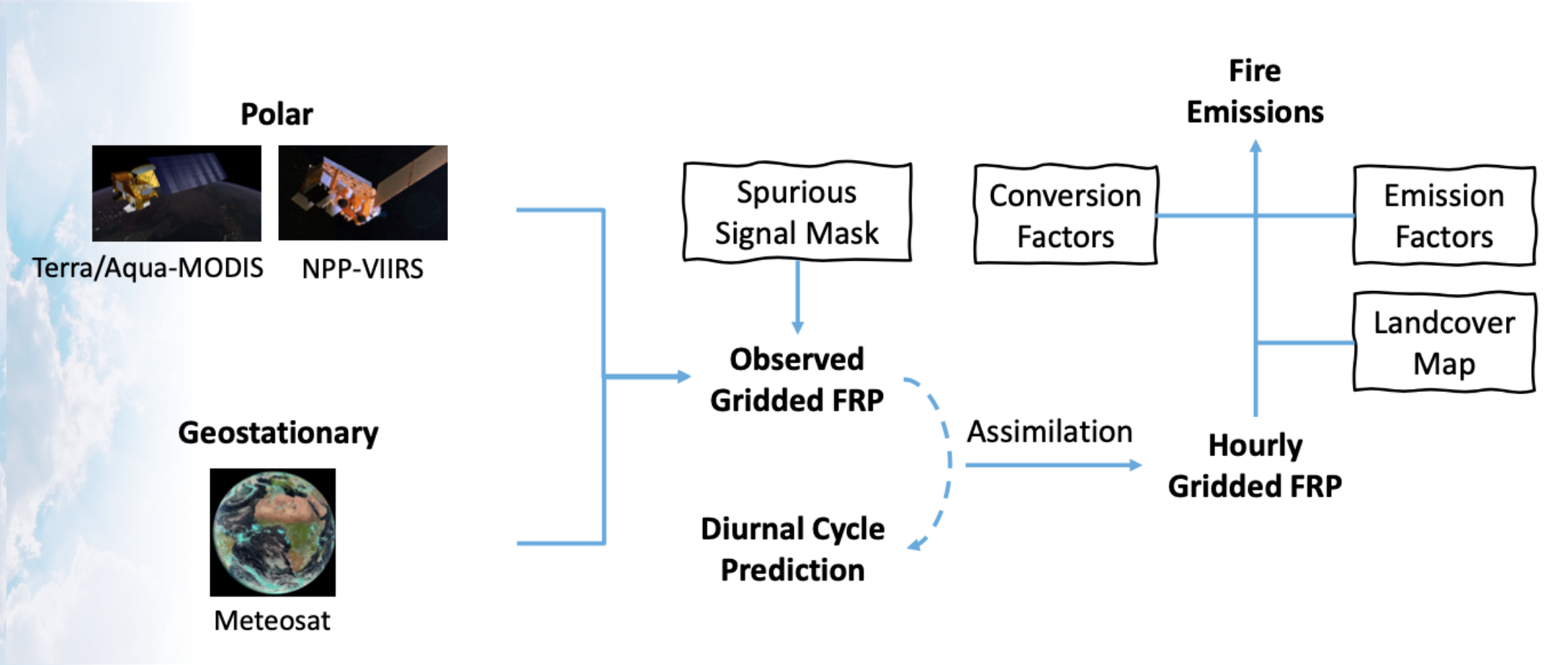
- Main uses:
 - Input for CAMS global and regional operational systems
 - Applied to many other models across the atmospheric chemistry modelling community
 - Communication activities (e.g., CAMS communication & press; BAMS & C3S state of the climate reports; presented at workshops for various wildfire-related activities)

- Global Fire Assimilation System (**GFAS**); see <https://ads.atmosphere.copernicus.eu/cdsapp#!/dataset/cams-global-fire-emissions-gfas?tab=overview>
- Uses satellite observations of Fire Radiative Power (FRP)
 - Currently Aqua and Terra MODIS FRP observations
 - FRP from VIIRS, Sentinel-3, and geostationary satellites are being tested for future implementation
- Global Coverage at ~10km Resolution
 - *Daily Output: 1-day behind NRT*
 - Hourly Output (+24-h means): 7-hours behind NRT
- Emissions of aerosols and gases are estimated using factors dependent on vegetation type.
- Injection heights calculated with Plume Rise Model and IS4FIRES



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Estimating wildfire emissions



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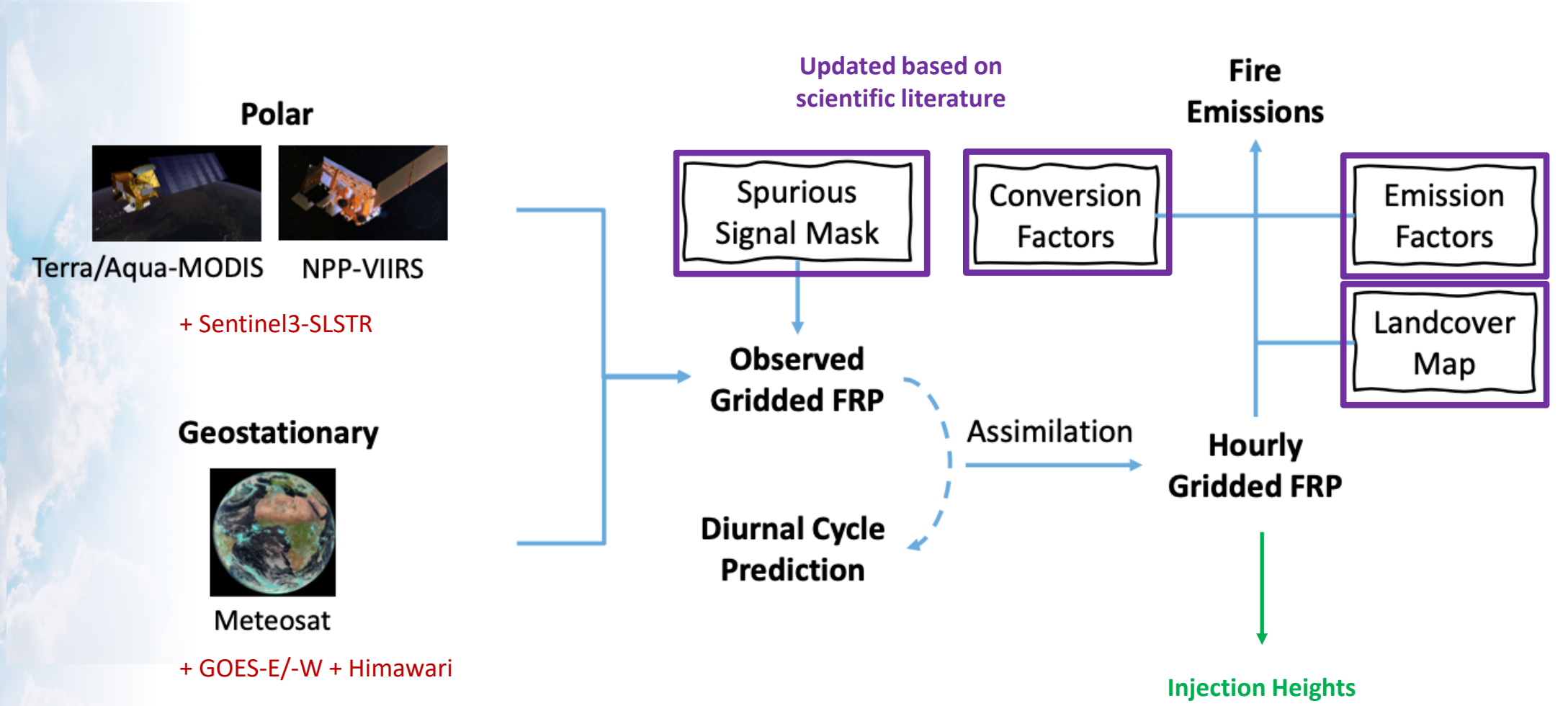
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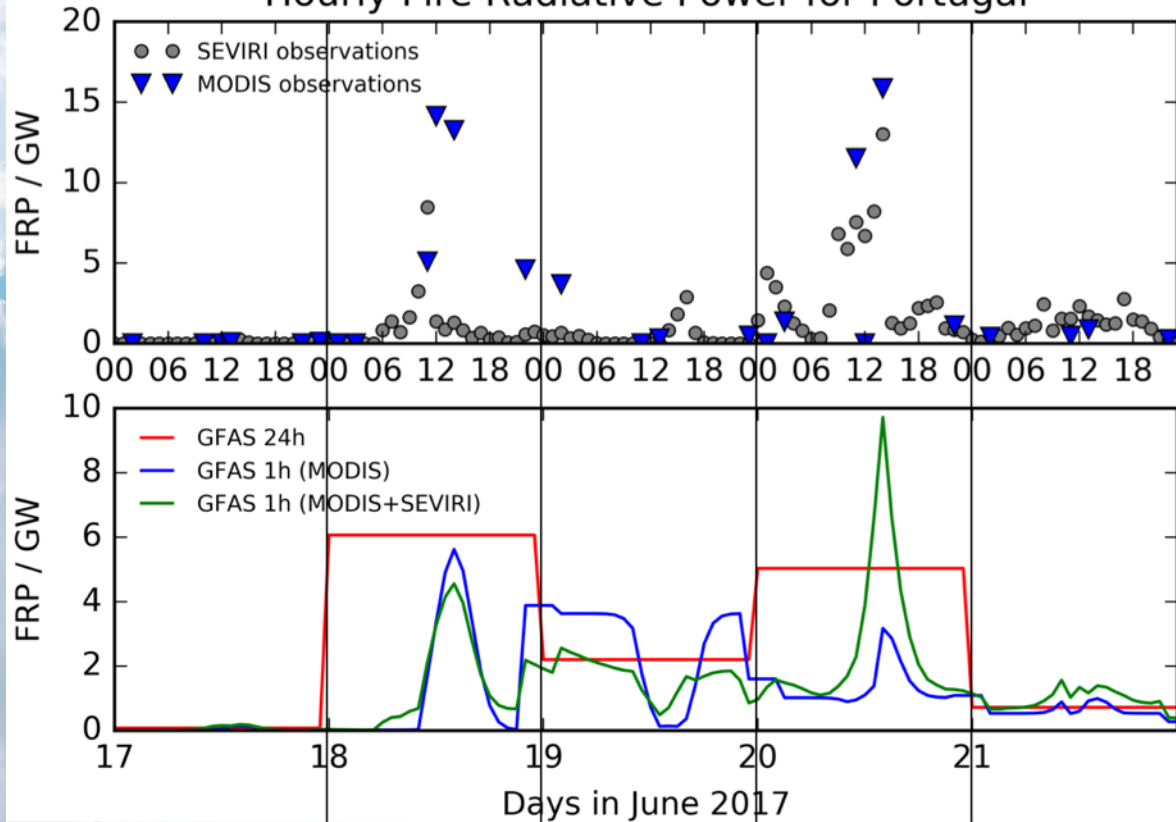


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GFAS hourly fire emissions

Portugal fires 17-22 June 2017: diurnal cycle (including LEO+GEO obs) improves temporal profile of fire emissions

Hourly Fire Radiative Power for Portugal



- Fire start reported in afternoon but no observations
- Portugal always at the edge of night-time MODIS swaths
- Fires raging
- First detected at 11 UTC
- Fires burning through the night
- Clouds limit daytime observations
- Fires flare up again
- Distinguishing fires
- extinct at 22/23-06

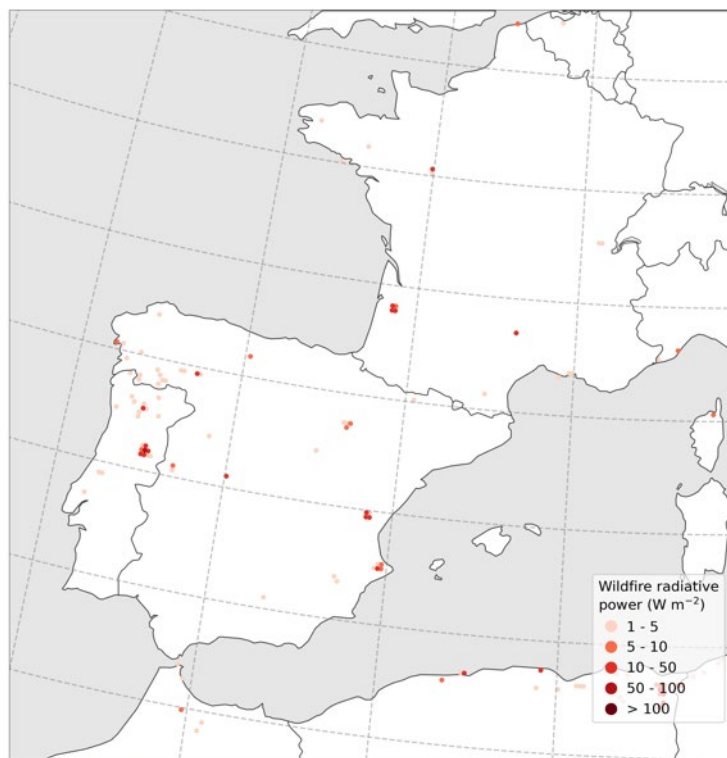
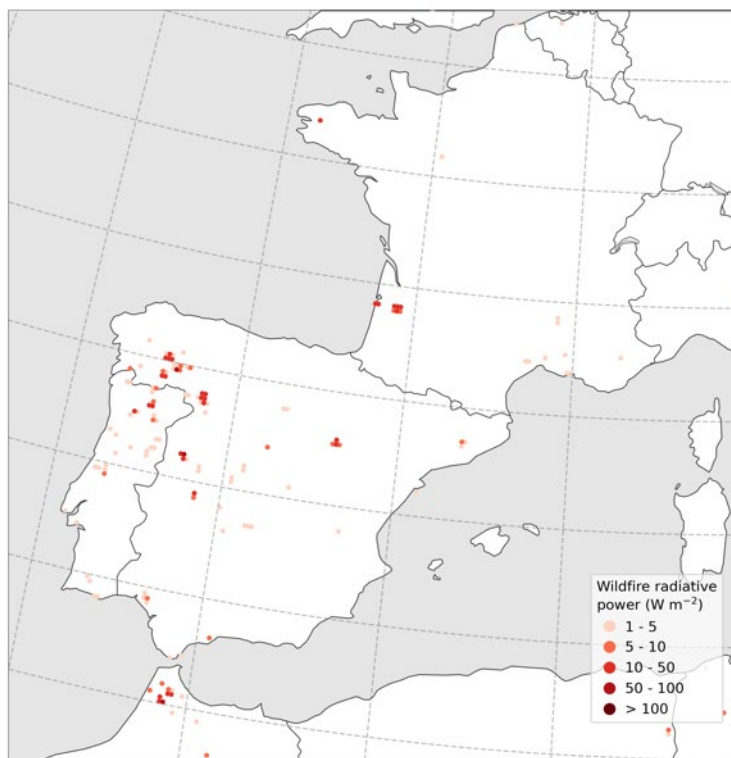




SW Europe wildfires summer 2022: emissions

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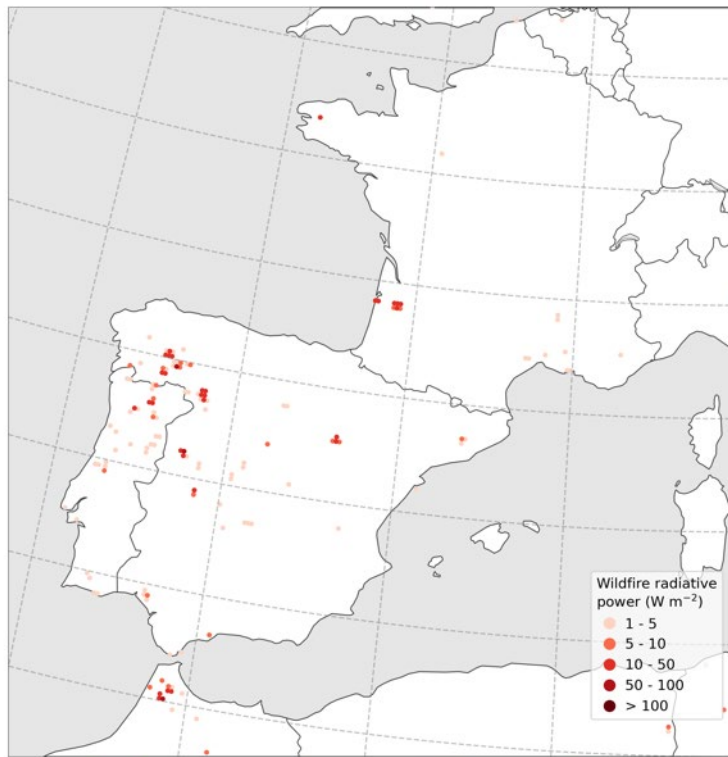
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 - Also several significant fires across central parts of Europe (e.g., Germany, Czechia, Slovenia, Greece) but focus here on SW Europe.
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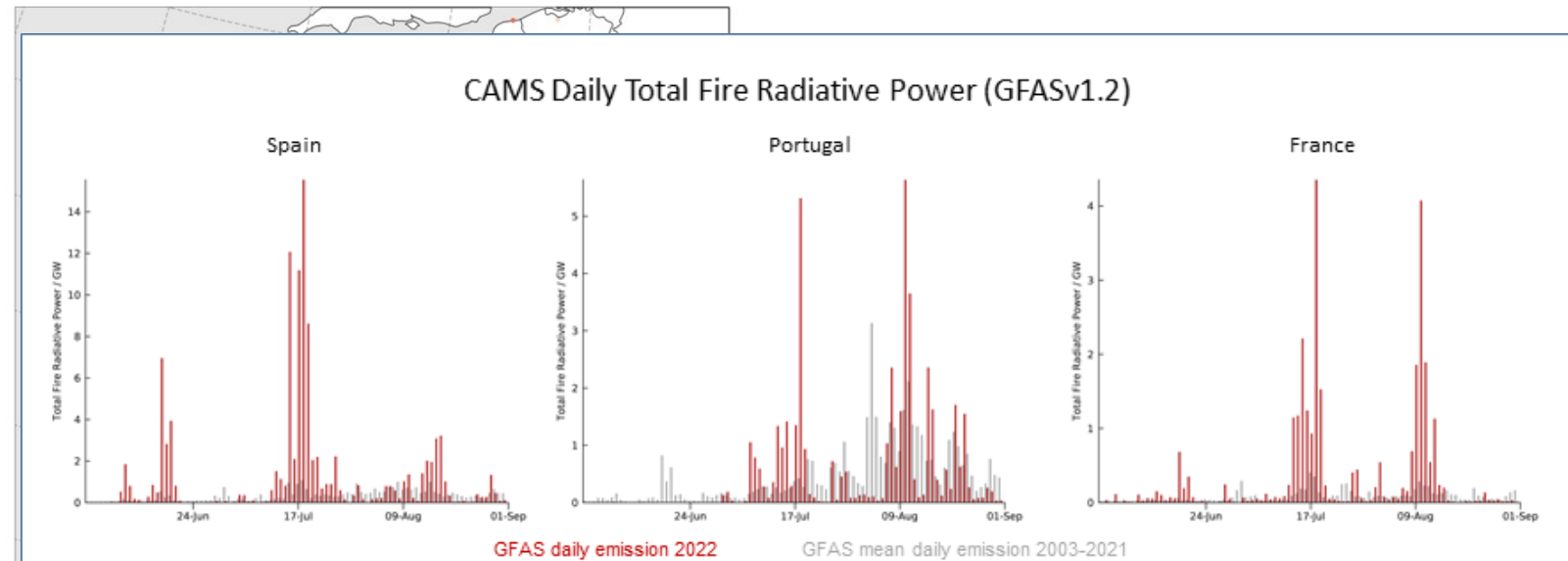
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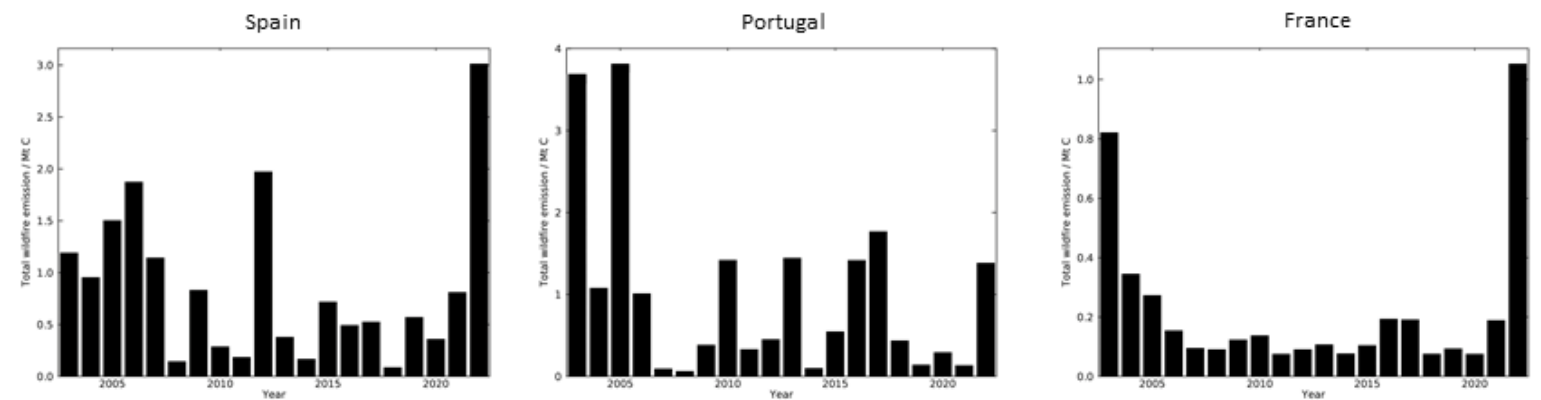
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June-August Total Estimated Wildfire Carbon Emissions



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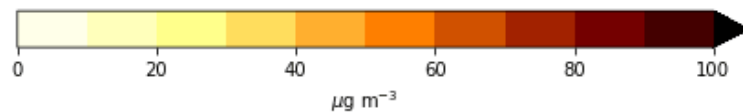
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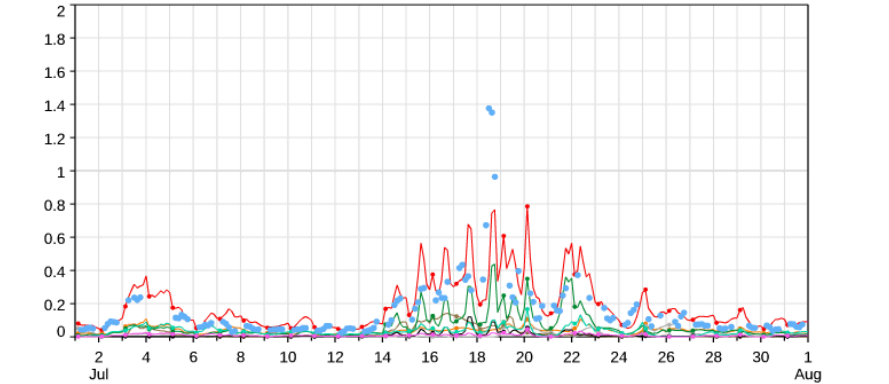
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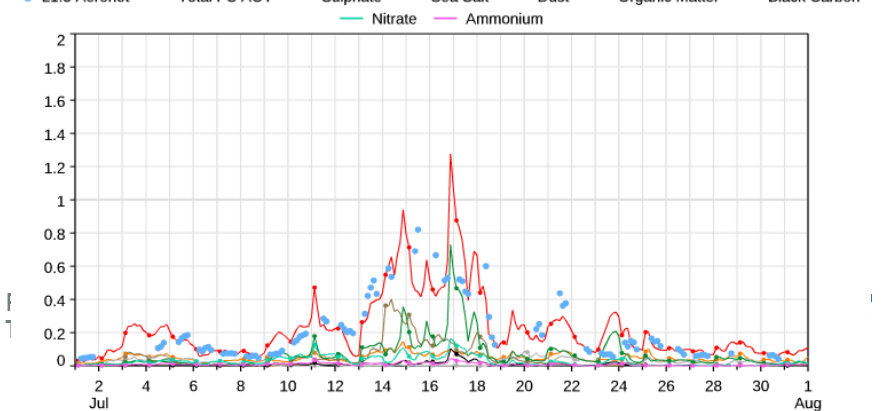
CAMS Regional Ensemble Forecast Daily Max Surface PM2.5 Concentration: 20220710T00 valid for 2022-07-10



Comparison of model (oper) and L1.5 Aeronet AOT at 500nm over Arcachon (44.66°N, 1.16°W). Model: 00UT, 1-31 Jul 2022, T+3 to T+24.



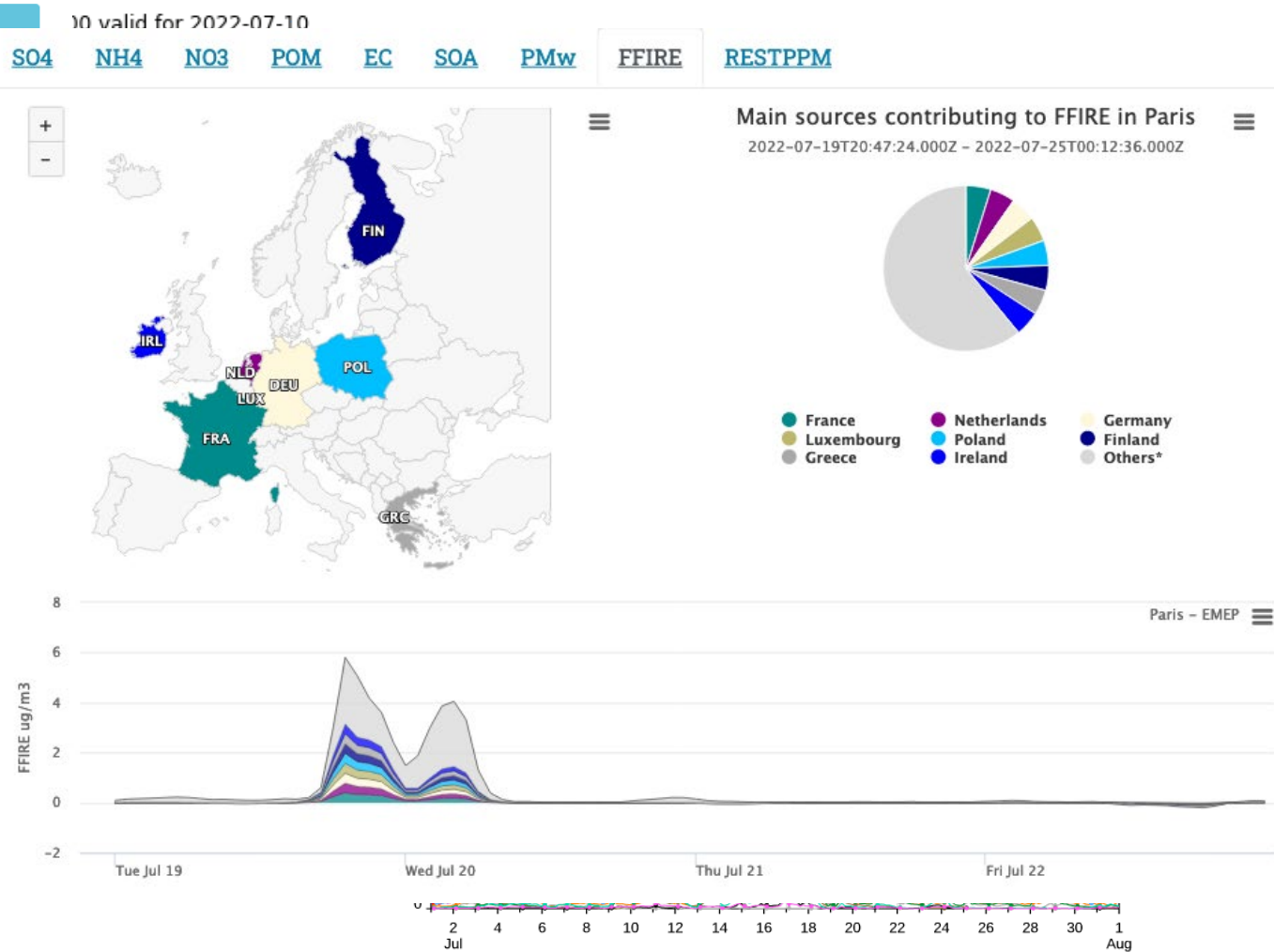
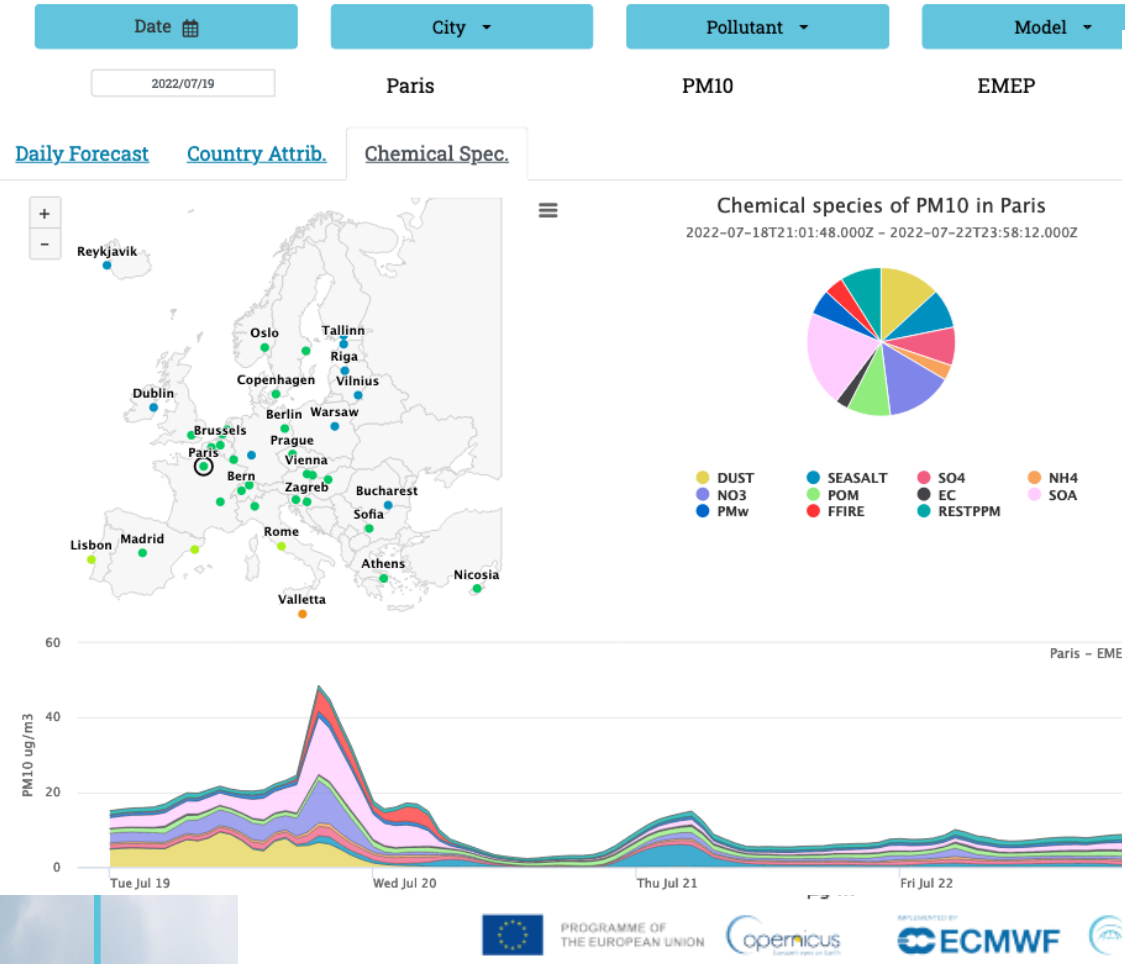
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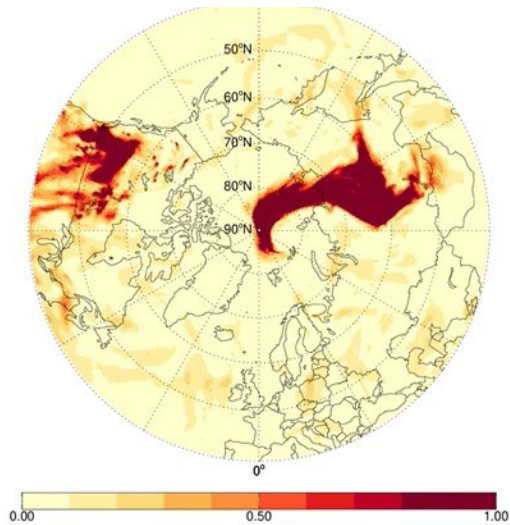
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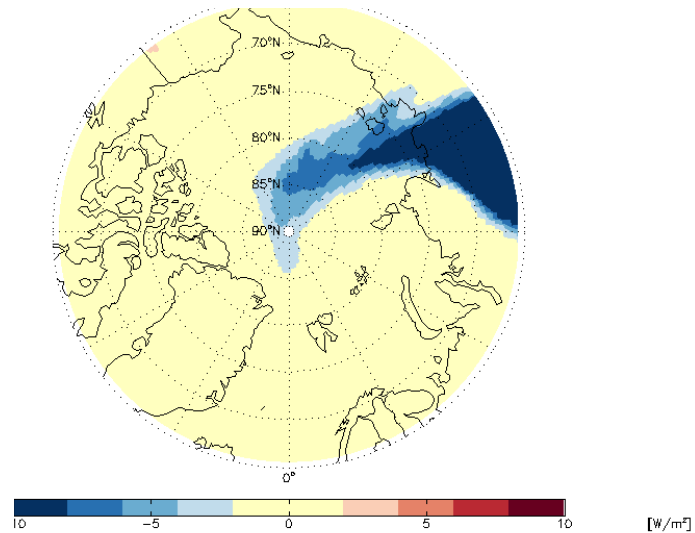


Siberian wildfires 2021: Atmospheric impacts

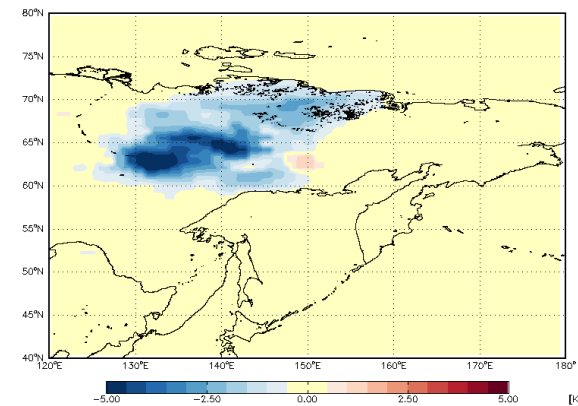
Organic Matter AOD analysis: 2 August, 00 UTC



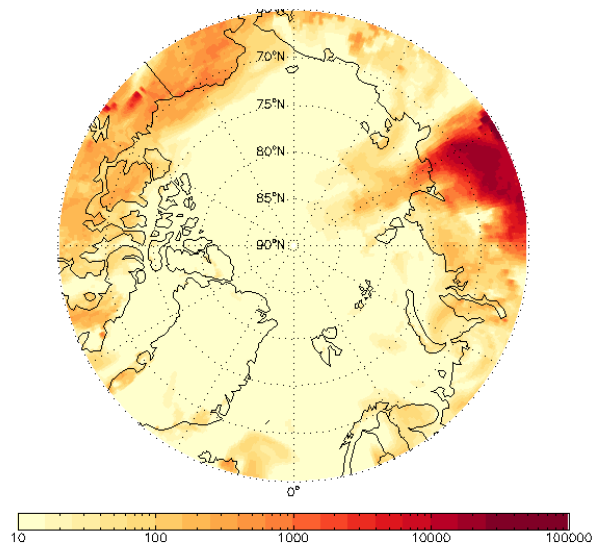
Surface SW radiation (24-h mean), 2 August



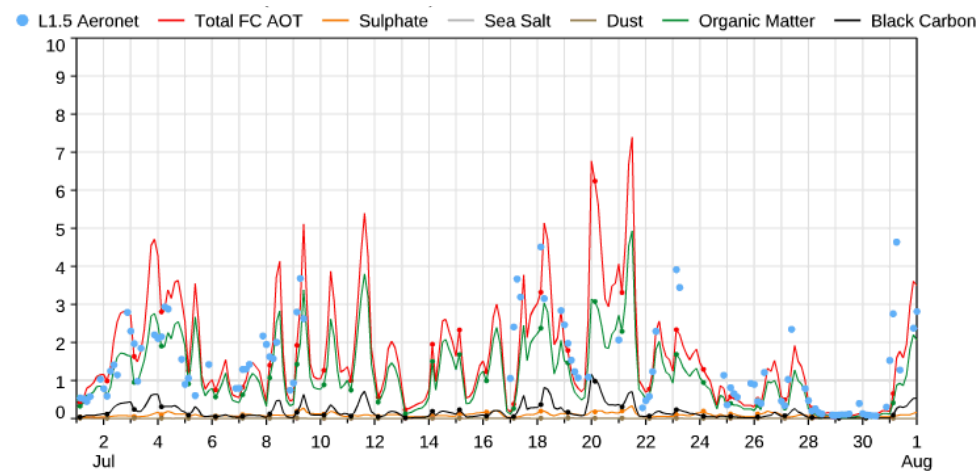
2m temperature (24-h mean), 4 July



Daily total estimated BC dry deposition: 2 August



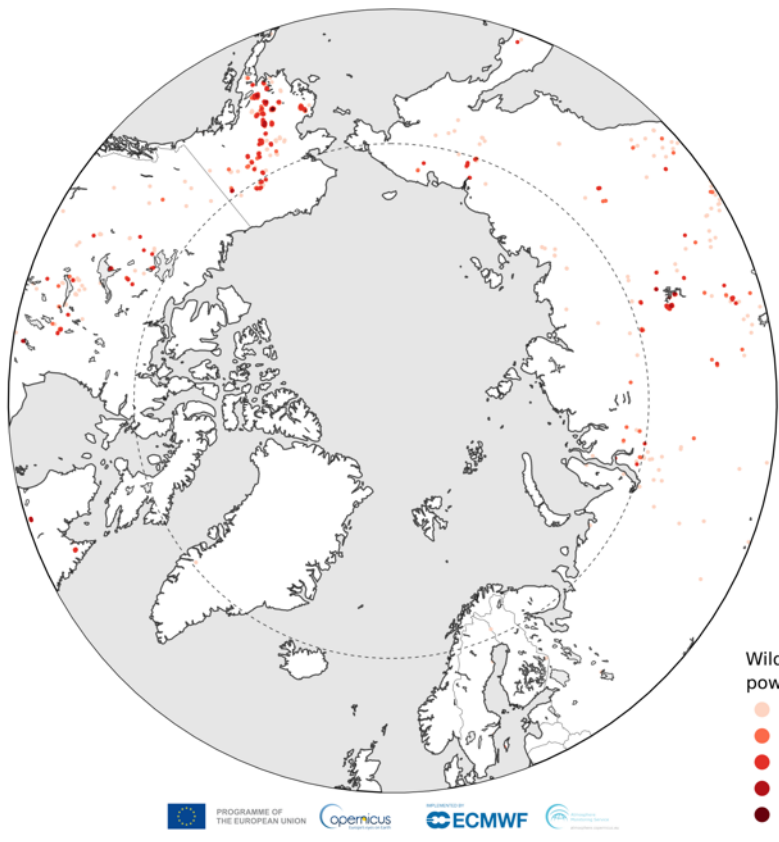
Aerosol Optical Depth comparison vs Aeronet at Yakutsk



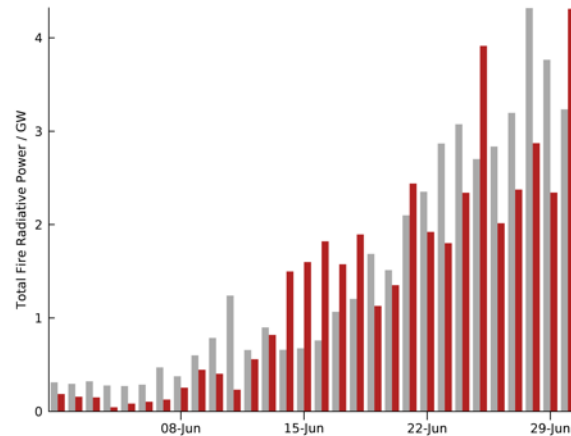


Arctic fire monitoring: June 2022

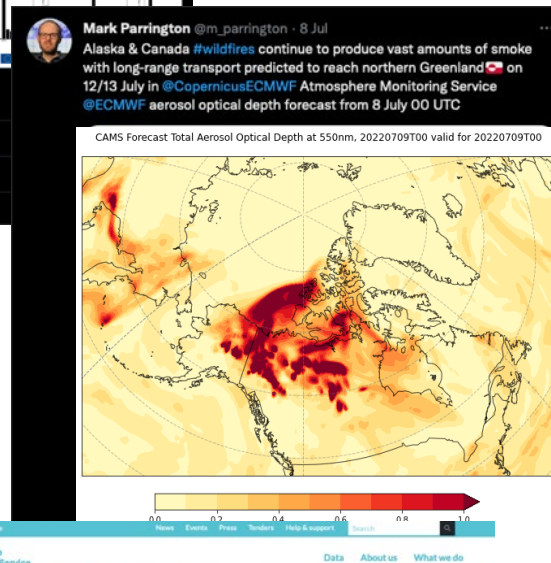
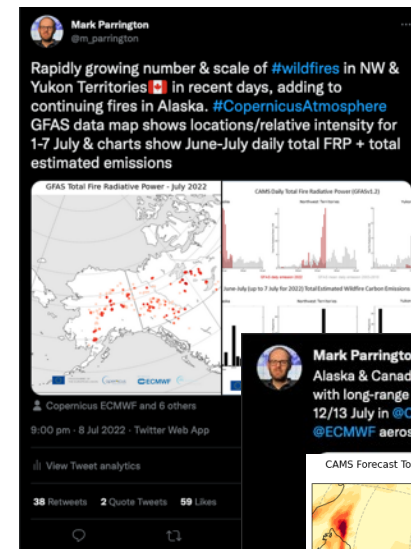
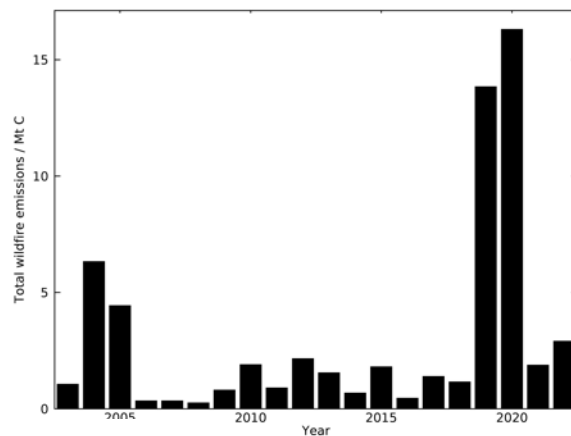
GFAS Total Fire Radiative Power: 1-30 June 2022



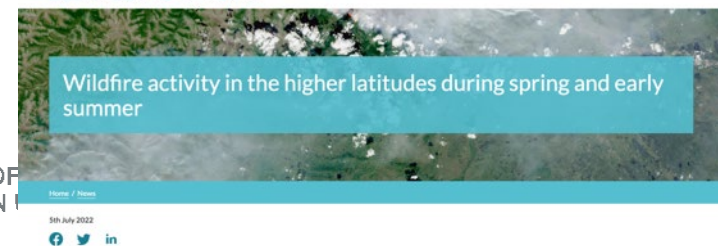
CAMS Daily Total Fire Radiative Power (GFASv1.2) for Arctic



CAMS GFASv1.2 June wildfire Carbon emissions for Arctic



CAMS near-real-time monitoring used widely via social media to engage with general public, users and media.



- Arctic Circle wildfires in June 2022 were fairly typical for the month.
- Persistent wildfires in (Arctic & sub-Arctic) Alaska since the beginning of June.
- Several instances of smoke transport across Beaufort Sea, Arctic Ocean as far as northern Greenland.
- Use of data via social media facilitates two-way exchange of information and engages with local expertise



Summary of strengths and limitations

- CAMS/GFAS provides a 20-year consistent dataset based on MODIS observations with morning and afternoon coverage
 - One of (very) few operational fire emissions datasets available in NRT*
 - NRT monitoring/evaluation of emissions and global/regional atmospheric impacts via CAMS Weather Room during wildfire season(s)/events
 - Wide usage: CAMS communications/press activities; scientific community
- Several developments to address limitations in recent years are currently being implemented and tested in GFAS
 - Additional LEO (VIIRS, Sentinel-3) and GEO (SEVIRI, GOES, Himawari) FRP observations
 - Spurious signal mask based on information provided with FRP datasets
 - FRP to dry matter conversion factors to remove dependence on (very old) burned area observations
 - Vegetation maps updates based on ESA-CCI data to provide more detailed specification of biomes (including peat)
 - Emission factors updates based on updated scientific literature to improve estimated emissions under different conditions
- Discussion points
 - Spatial resolution – current 0.1 degree by 0.1 degree may be too coarse for some regions but optimises observable fires
 - Best implementation of emissions data for operational applications (GFAS availability 7 hours behind NRT to optimise availability of FRP observations)





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Future directions for fire monitoring in Copernicus and ECMWF

- **Extra slides**



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Linking Copernicus Services: From fire monitoring to fire forecasts



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Copernicus Emergency Management Service

Global Fire
monitoring

Global fire evolution forecasting (d+5)
Global fire danger forecasting (d+10)

Implemented by the European Commission as part of the Copernicus Programme

Wildfire
The EMS fire component supports the services in charge of the protection of forests against fires.

Home FAQ/Service Overview Access to EMS data

Information for emergency response and disaster risk management.

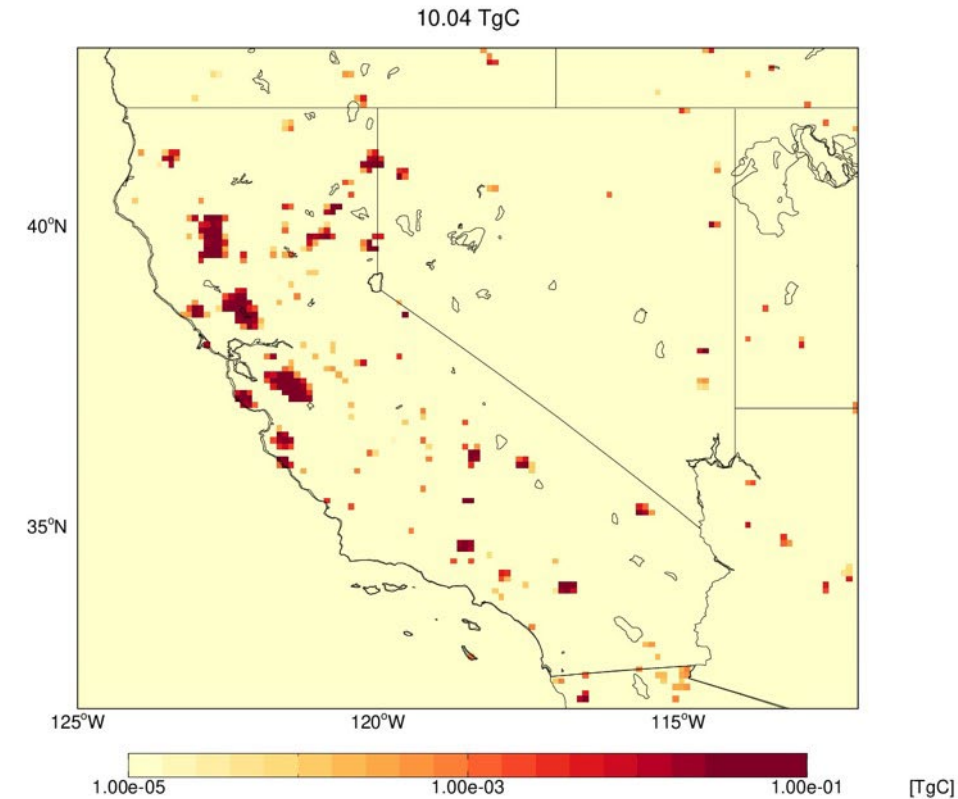
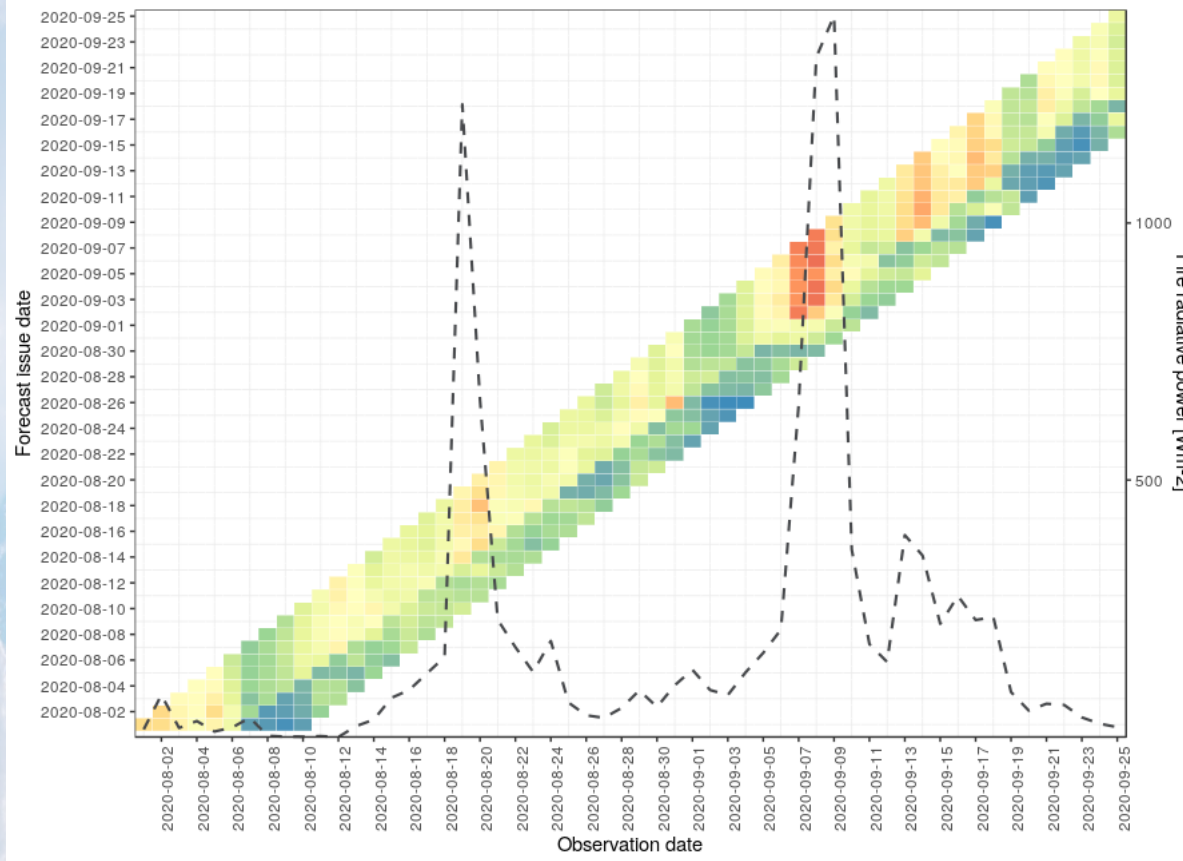
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The European Forest Fire Service (EFFIS) is implemented by the EU Joint Research Centre

Flood and fire danger forecasts are provided by ECMWF.



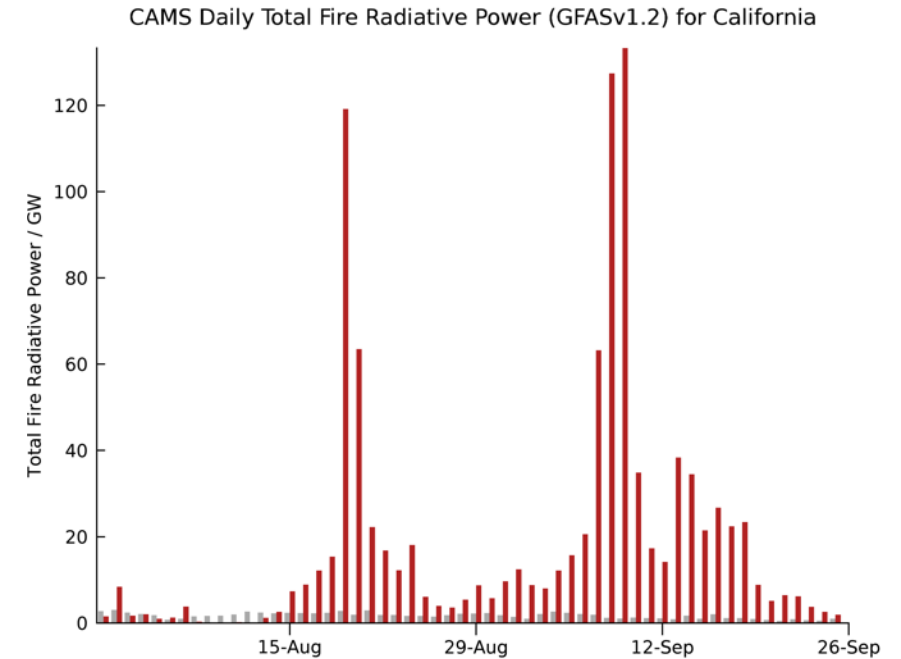
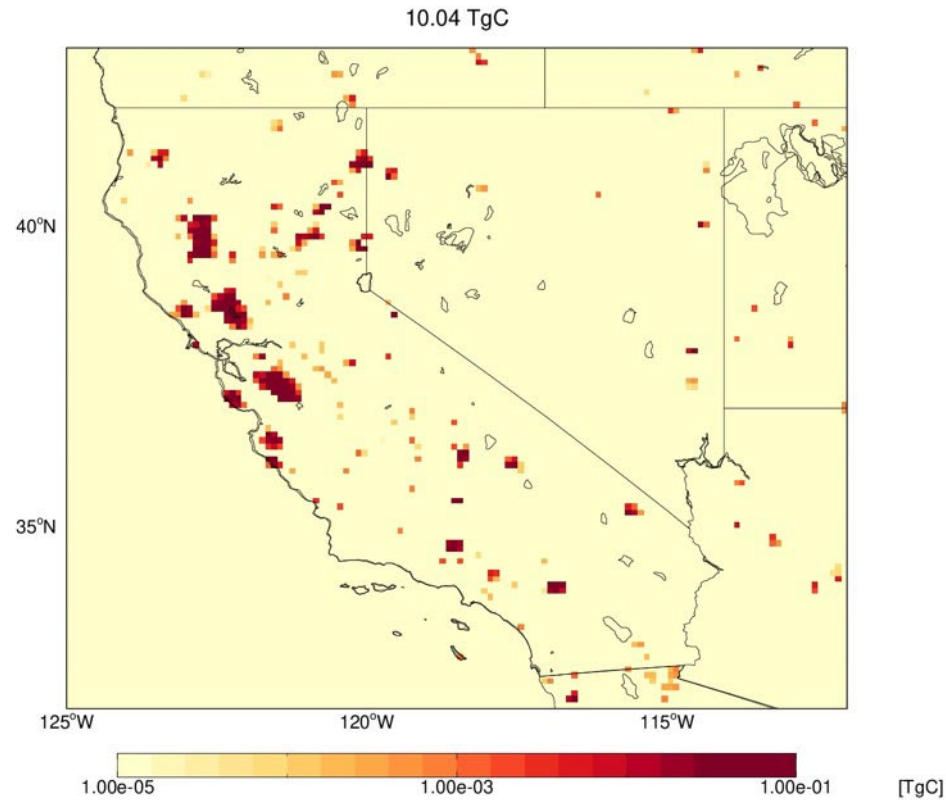
California fires in August-September 2020



- As in previous cases, highest % of pixels exceeding very high fire danger rating in California forecast 6-8 days ahead of fire activity between 18-22 August and 5-10 September.
- Strong correspondence with highest % and observed active fire emissions.
- Air quality impacts of smoke persisted across California (and the western states) for many days and eventual long-range transport to the North Atlantic and as far as Europe.



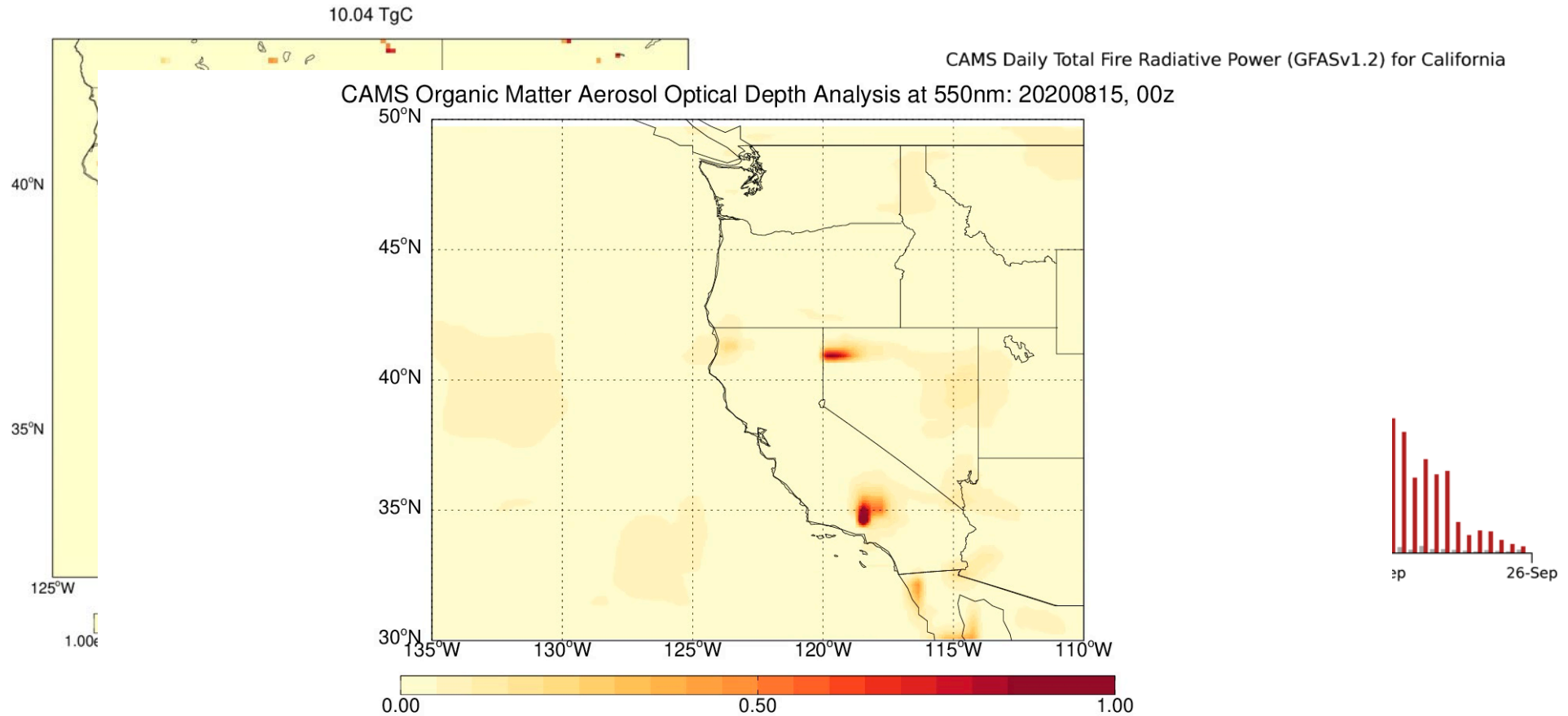
CAMS in action: California fires in August-September 2020



- Widespread wildfires across California and western states through August and September 2020.
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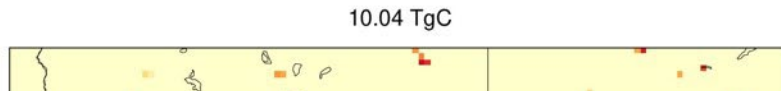
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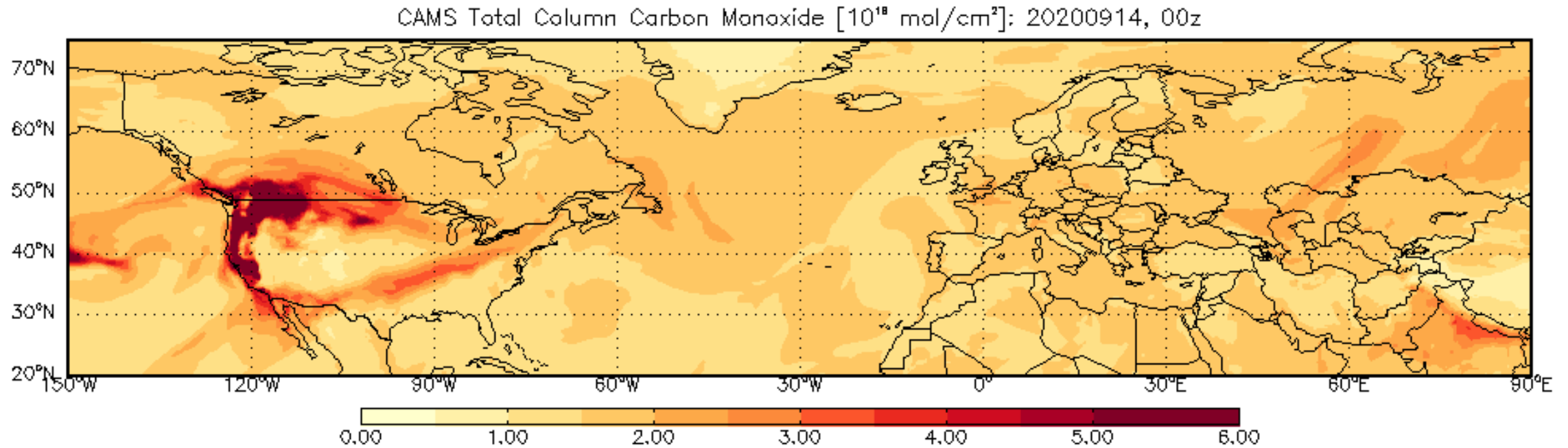
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