

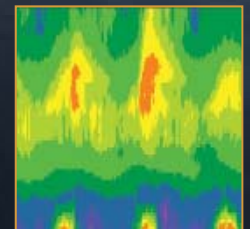
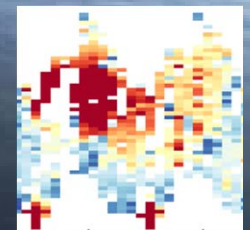
# Stratospheric Aerosol Data Record for the ESA Climate Change Initiative (CCI), and beyond

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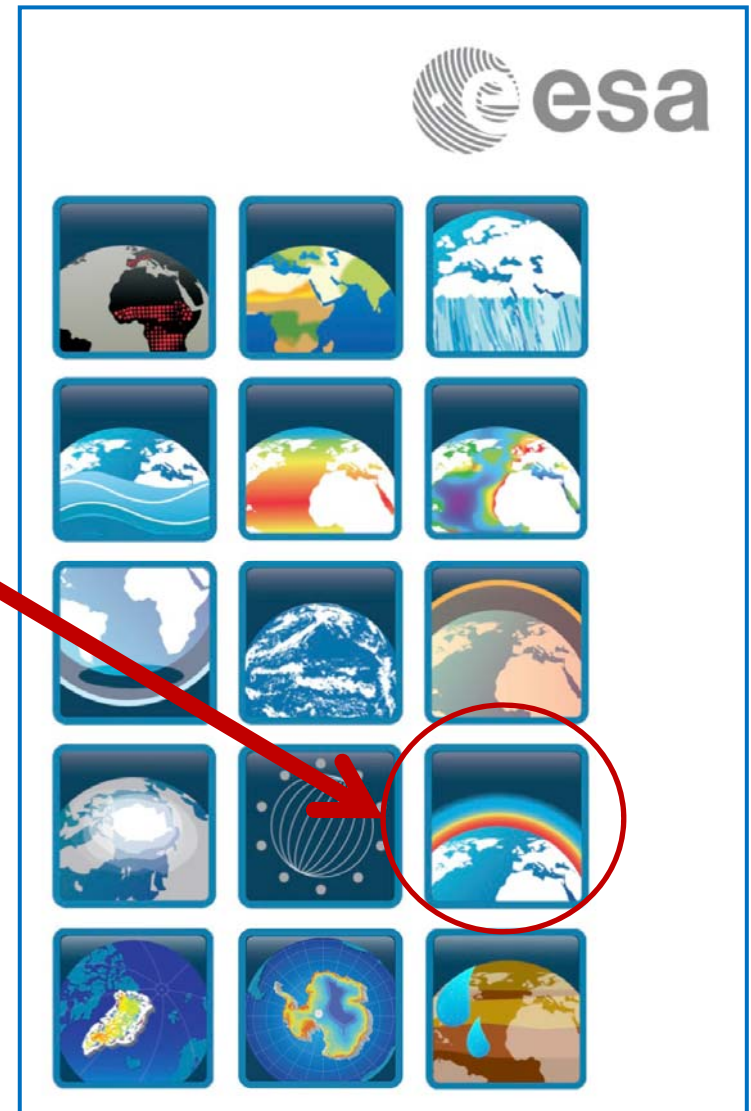


# ESA Climate Change Initiative (CCI)

- **Main objective:**

Development of Climate Data  
Records from ESA satellite  
experiments for Essential Climate  
Variables

- 12 projects, including Aerosol\_cci
- Cover troposphere+stratosphere
- 2 phases of 3 years



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- **Principle:**
  - Important involvement of the climate modelling community (user requirements, validation, product assessment)
    - Stratospheric aerosols: SPARC: MPI-Chem, Mainz, Germany
  - Based on ESA satellite experiments
    - Stratospheric aerosols: GOMOS

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(+ SPB2: 926-952 nm)
- Measurement principle: stellar occultation
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*Envisat at ESTEC, April 2000, courtesy ESA*



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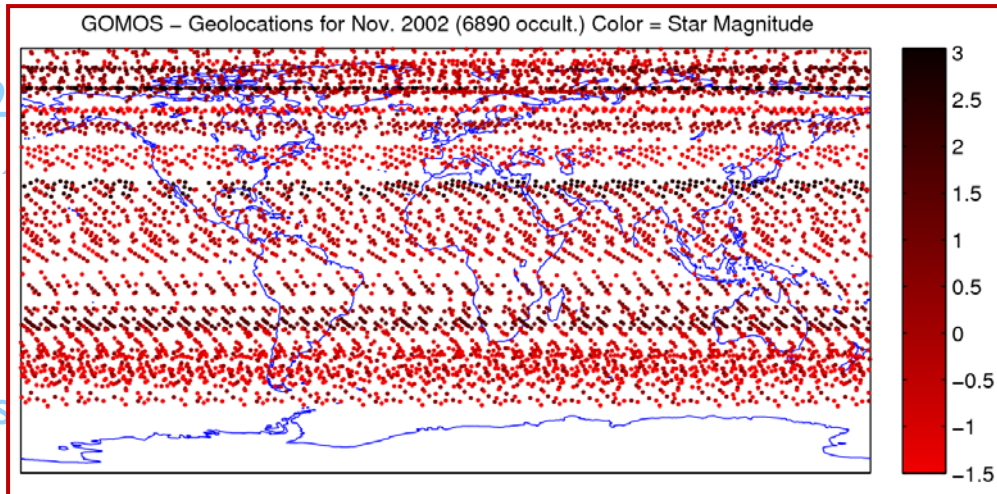
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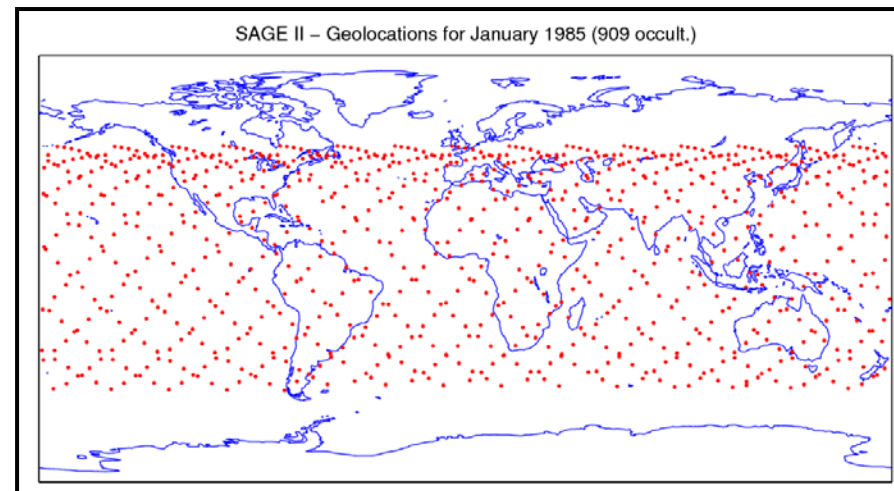
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  - *Reduced signal-to-noise ratio*
  - *Signal altered by scintillation*
  - *Data quality depends on the star/orbital parameters*

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- **Dependence on the star characteristics:**

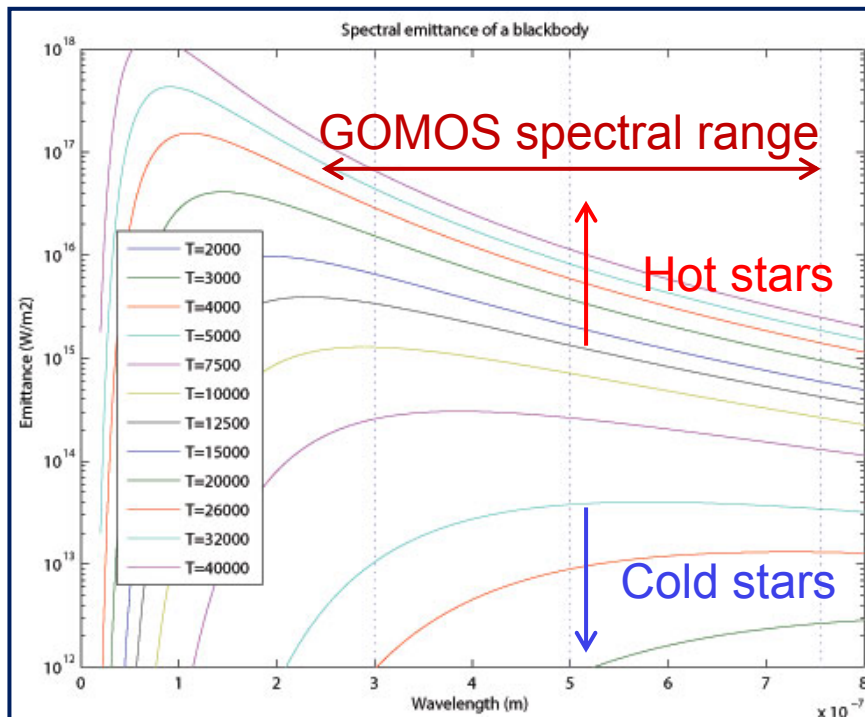
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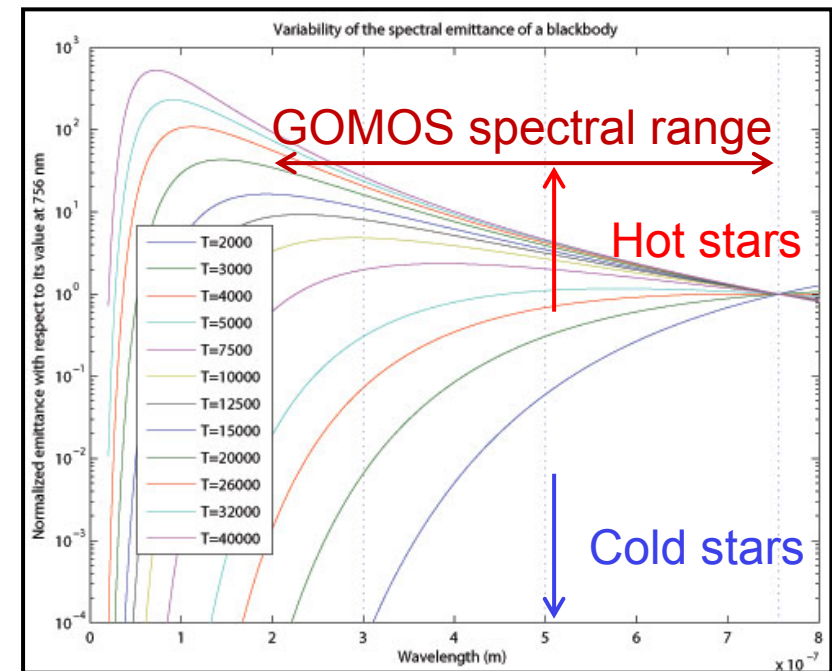
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Normalized at 756 nm:





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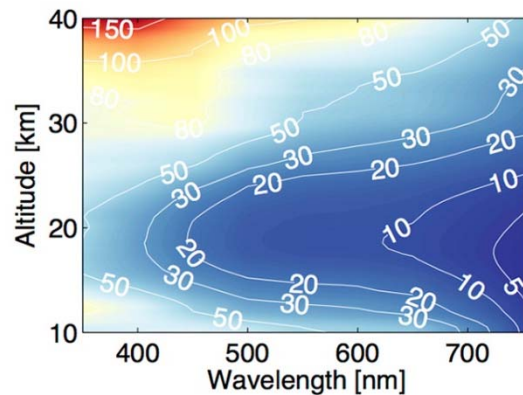
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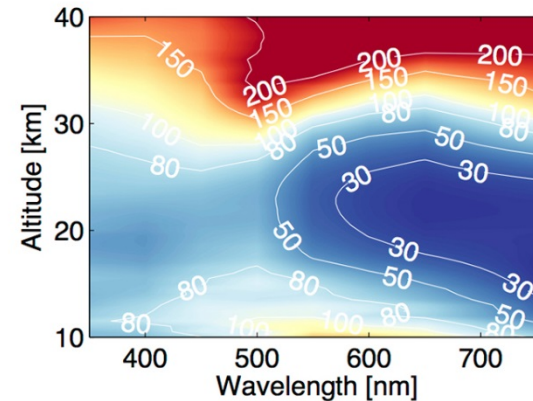
- **Dependence on the star characteristics:**

- Impact on the uncertainty: (here on the aerosol extinction)

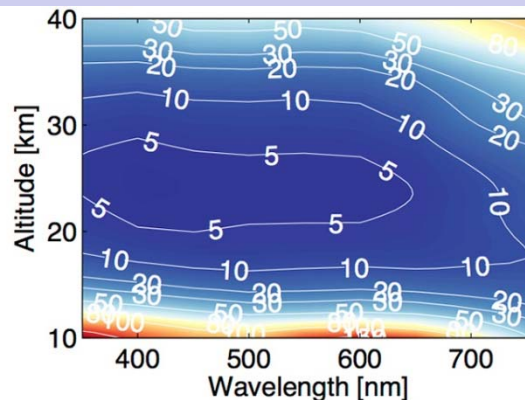
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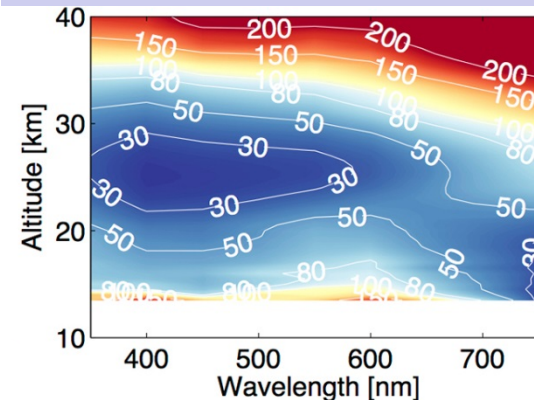
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**Bright & Hot stars**



**Dim & Hot stars**



# Aerosol retrieval algorithm

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- **AerGOM retrieval algorithm:**
  - ✓ Optimized for aerosol retrieval
  - ✓ Retrieved simultaneously:  $O_3$ ,  $NO_2$ ,  $NO_3$ , aerosol extinction
  - ✓ Aerosol extinction retrieval: spectral dependence parameterized by a quadratic function in  $(\text{wavelength})^{-1}$
  - ✓ Particle Size Distribution (PSD) retrieval from aerosol extinction at several wavelengths (under development)

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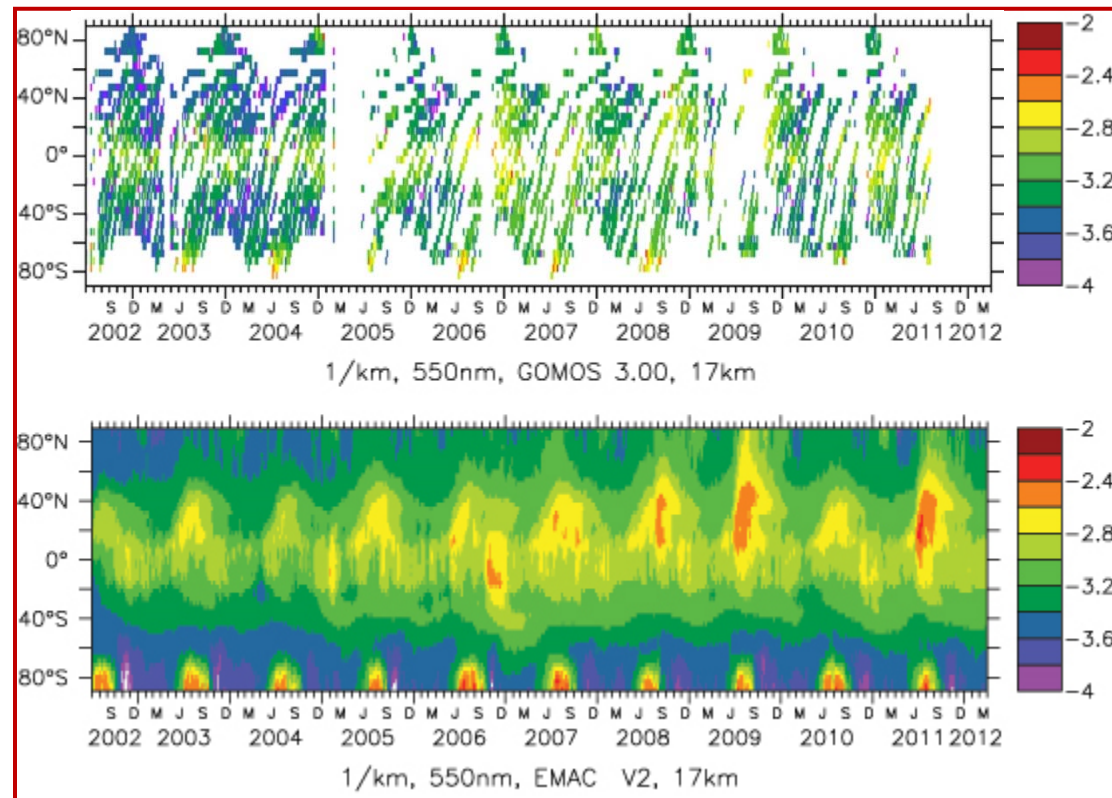
- Gridded time series for climate modelling:
  - Extinction & derived products, with uncertainties
- Optimization of
  - The choice of the grid; currently:
    - 5-day temporal grid
    - 5° latitude, 60° longitude, 1 km altitude
  - The selection criteria applied to GOMOS measurements:
    - Trade-off between best coverage and sufficient measurement quality (star parameters, solar zenith angle)

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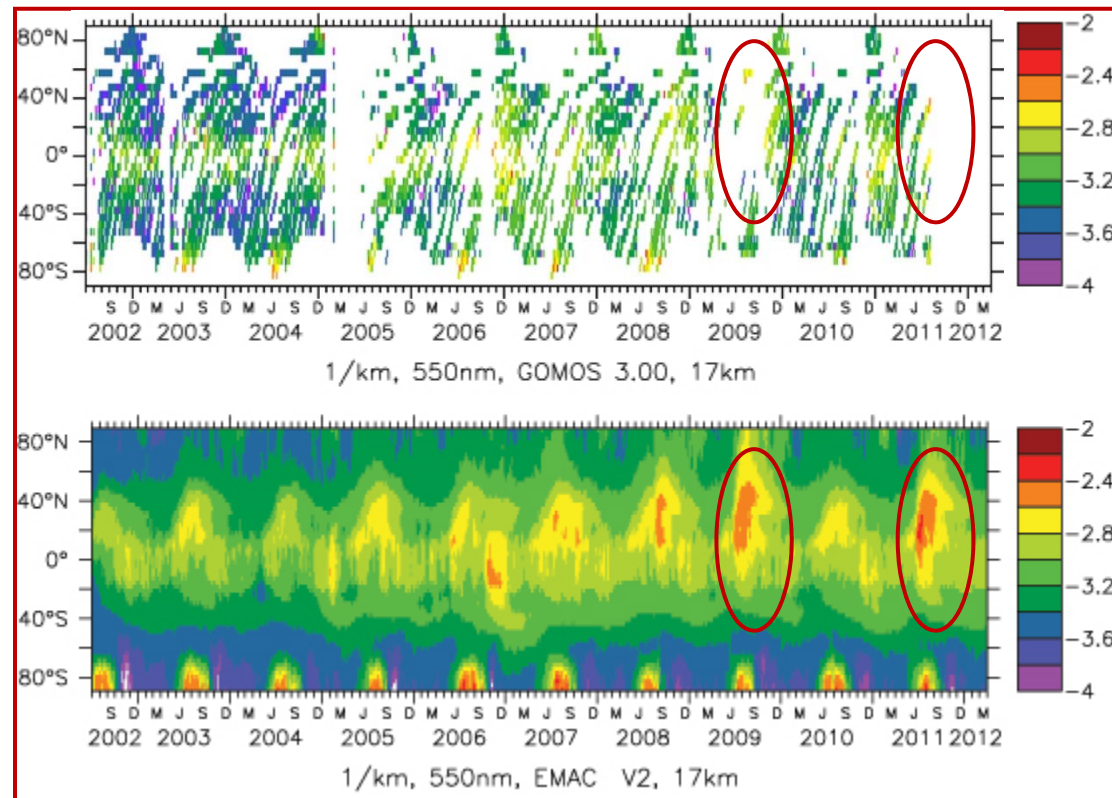
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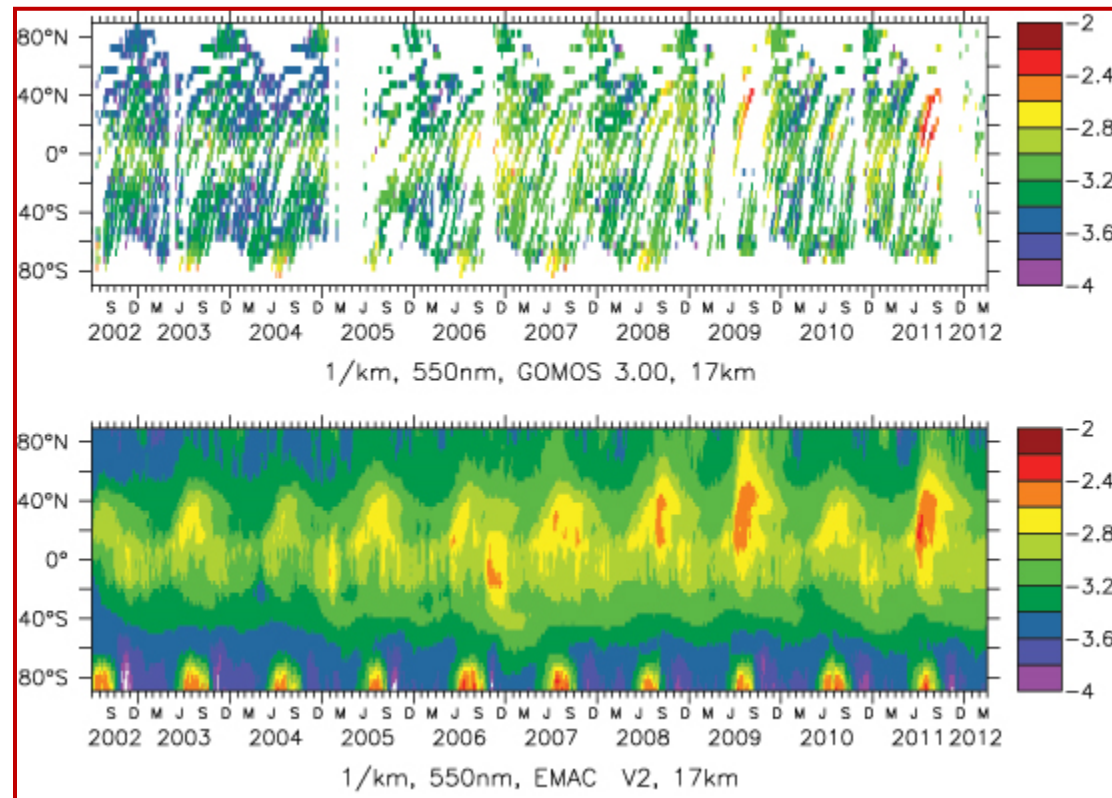


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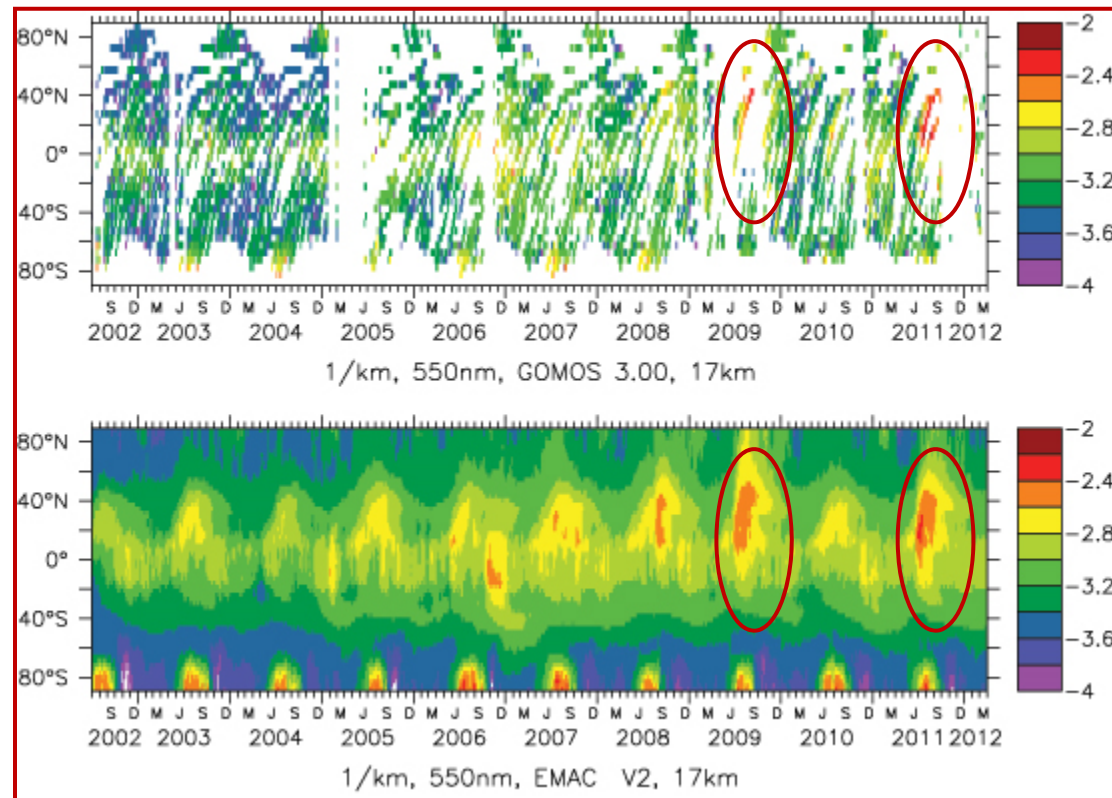
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- **Intercomparisons with lidar time series**
  - ESA requirement
- **3 sites:**
  - Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany
    - 79 months, 236 profiles relevant for comparison
    - Extinction-to-backscatter ratio provided
  - Mauna Loa, Hawaii, USA
    - 121 months, 409 profiles relevant for comparison
  - Dumont d'Urville, Antarctica
    - 44 months, 380 profiles relevant for comparison
- **Issue: Extinction-to-backscatter ratio**

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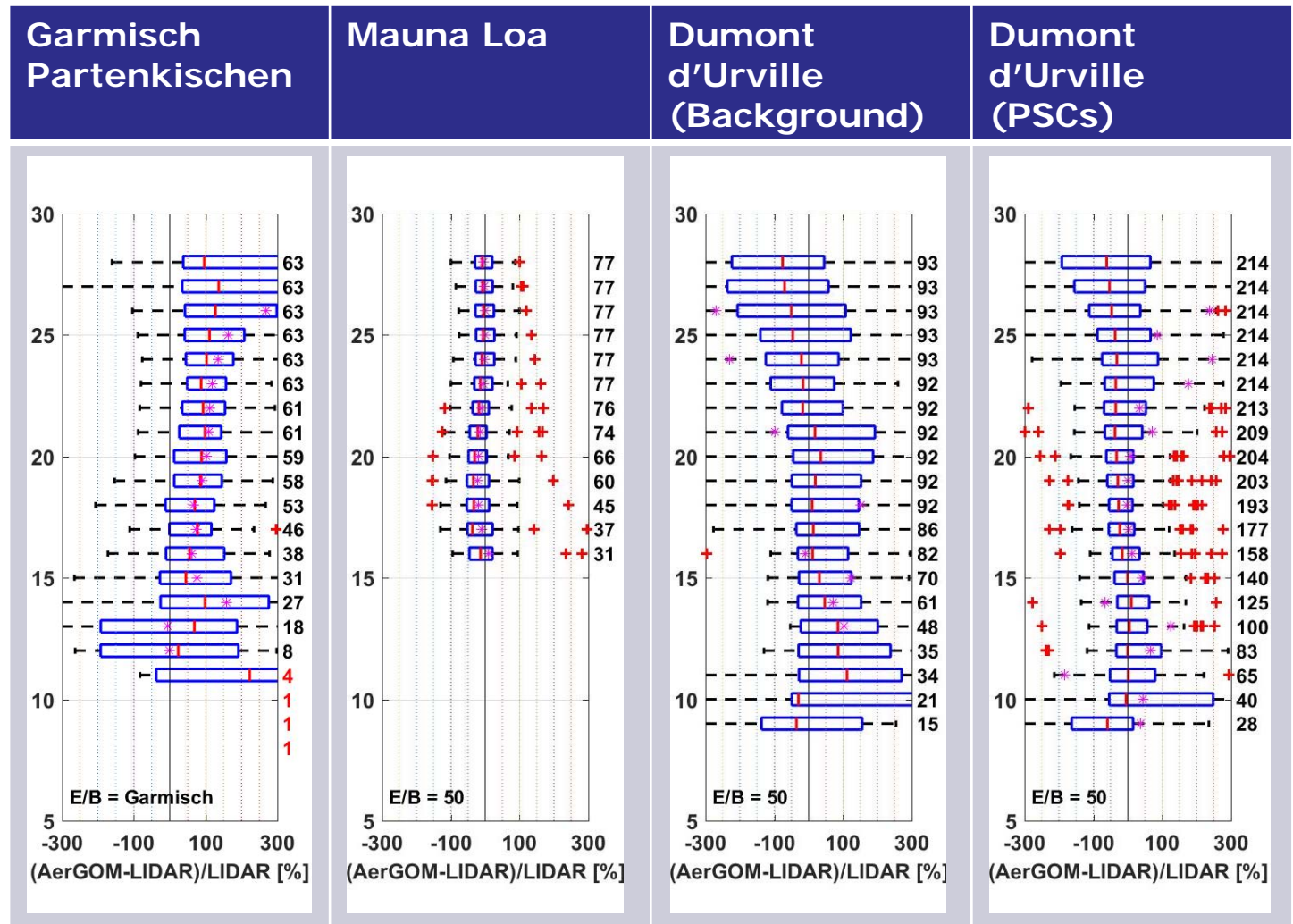


## Comparison

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With

Lidar



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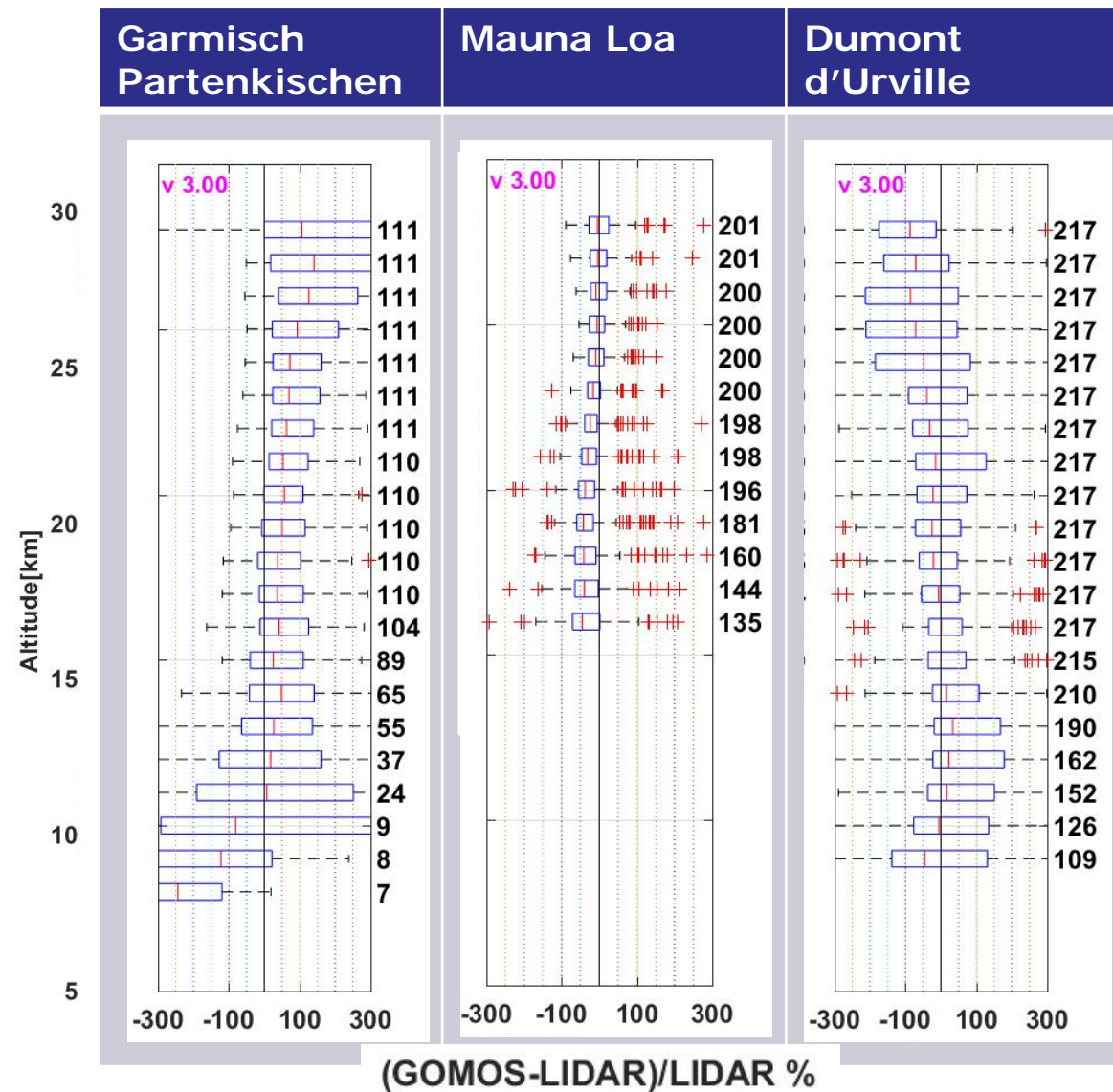


## Comparison

CCI-GOMOS  
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# Particle Size Distribution (PSD) Retrieval

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- Radial inversion: extinction  $\rightarrow$  PSD
  - Extinction at 9 wavelenghs between 350 and 750 nm
- Use of a sectional PSD
  - 20 size bins from 20 nm to 3  $\mu$ m
  - Tikhonov regularization

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- **Inference of the aerosol composition**
  - From temperature, altitude, latitude, etc.
  - Separate products for « sulfate », « PSC » , « meteoritic dust », « uncertain »
- **Expected derived products (under development)**
  - Effective radius
  - Surface area density, volume density
  - Total particle number density, mode parameters
  - Radiative parameters derivable from Mie scattering

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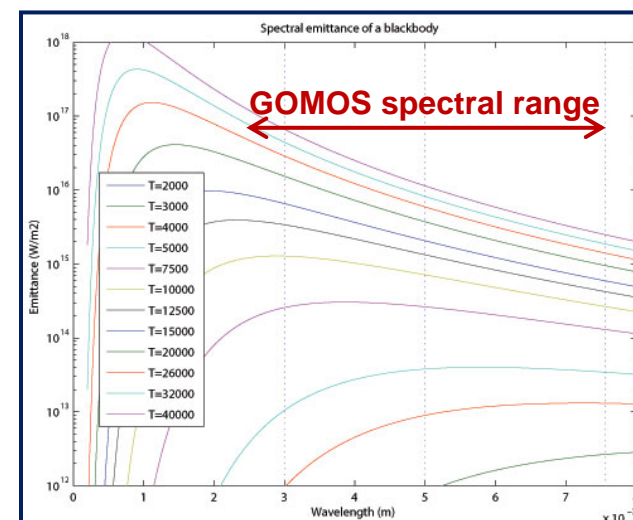
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- **Second step:**

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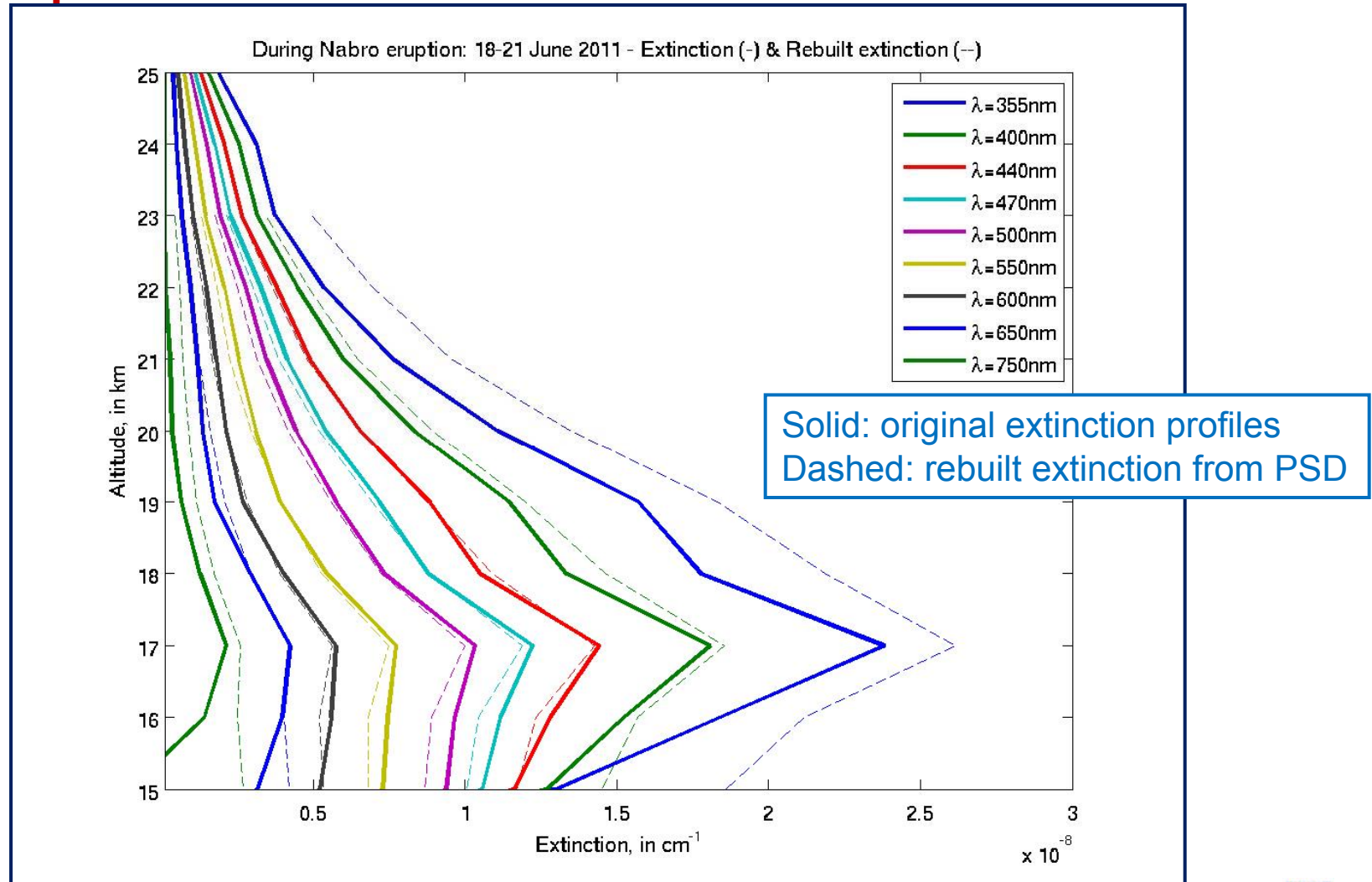
😊 Better quality of the extinction spectral dependence

😊 Improved quality of the retrieved PSD

# Test: rebuilt of the extinction from PSD

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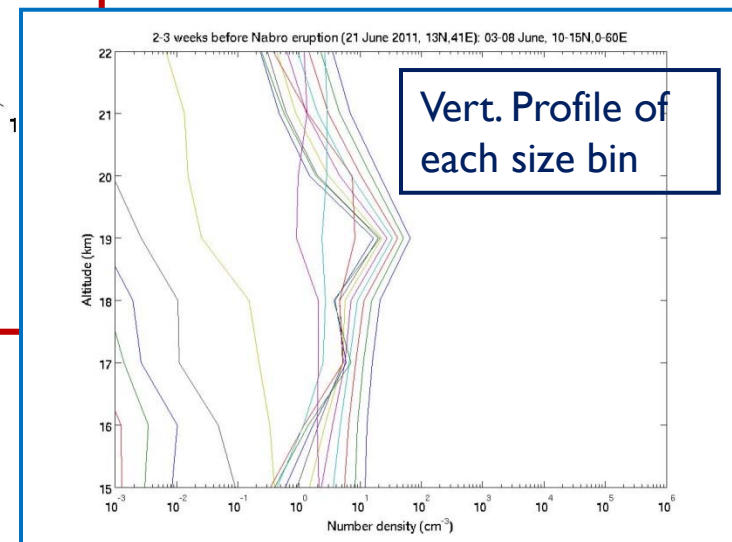
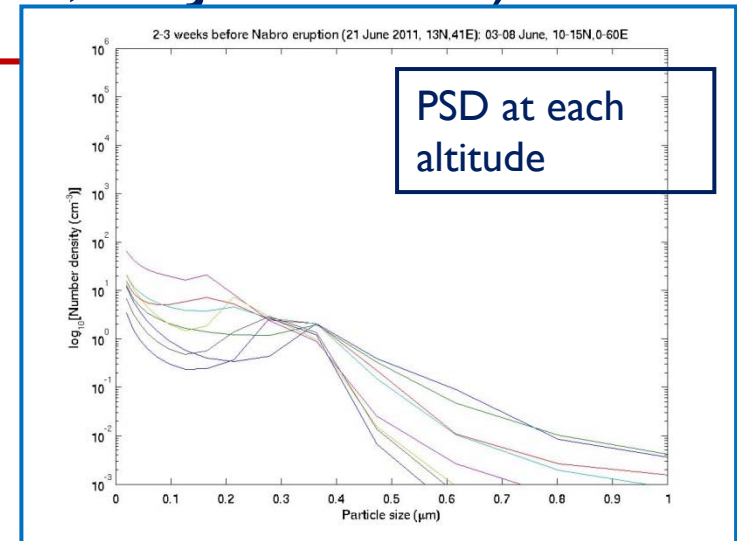
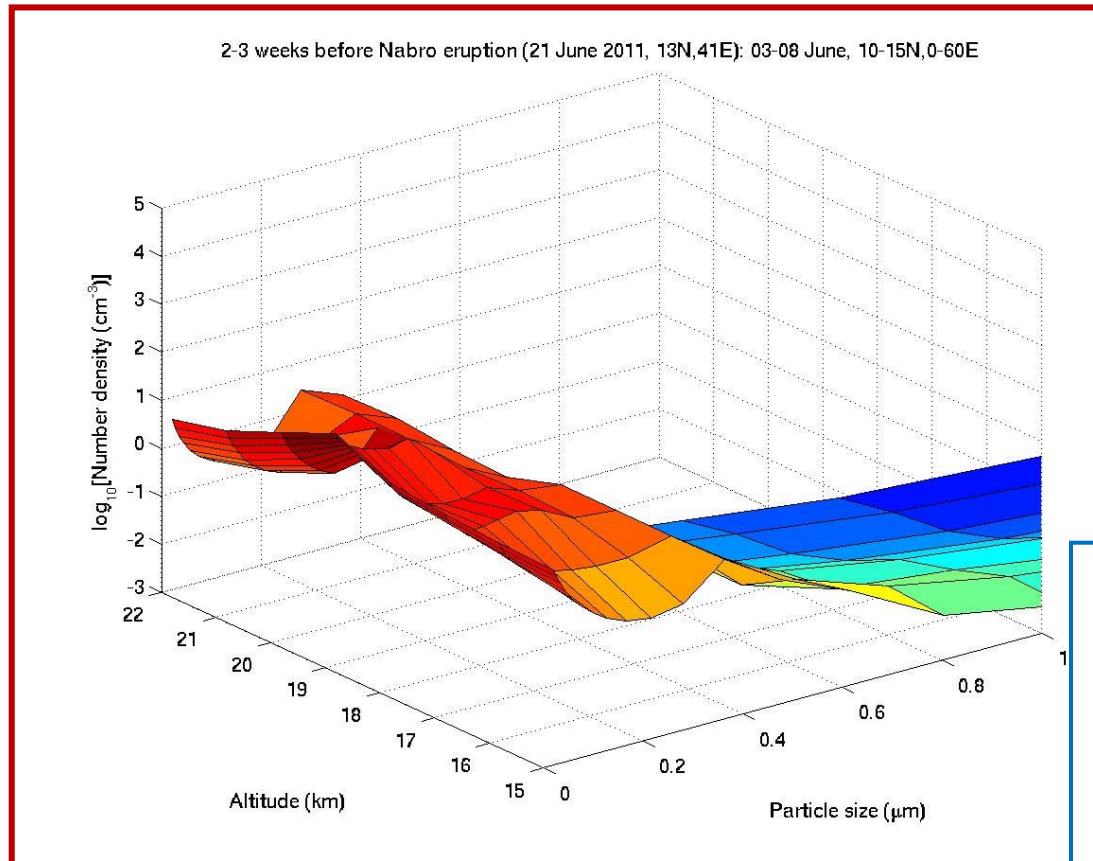
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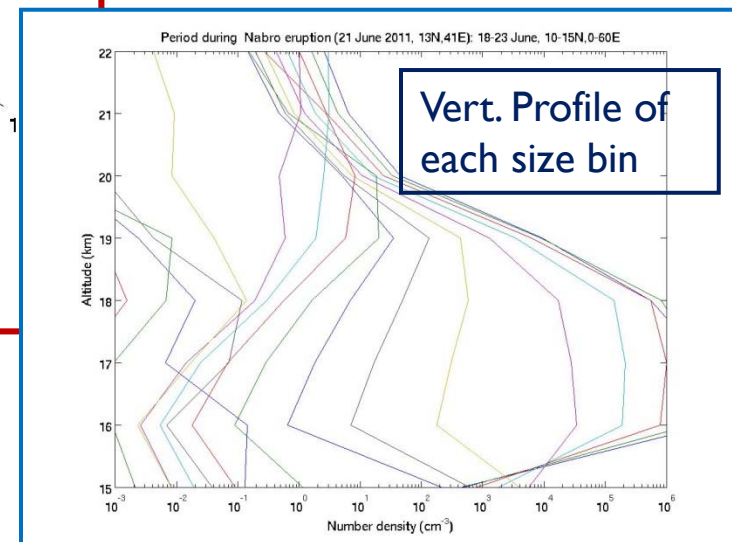
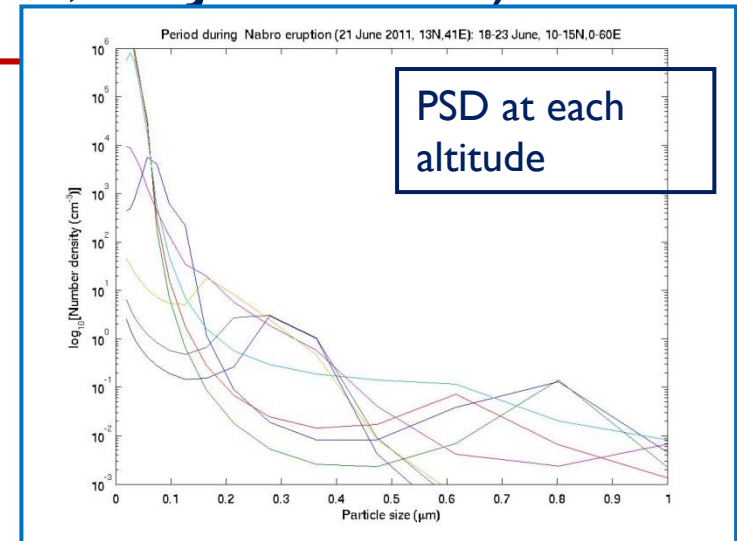
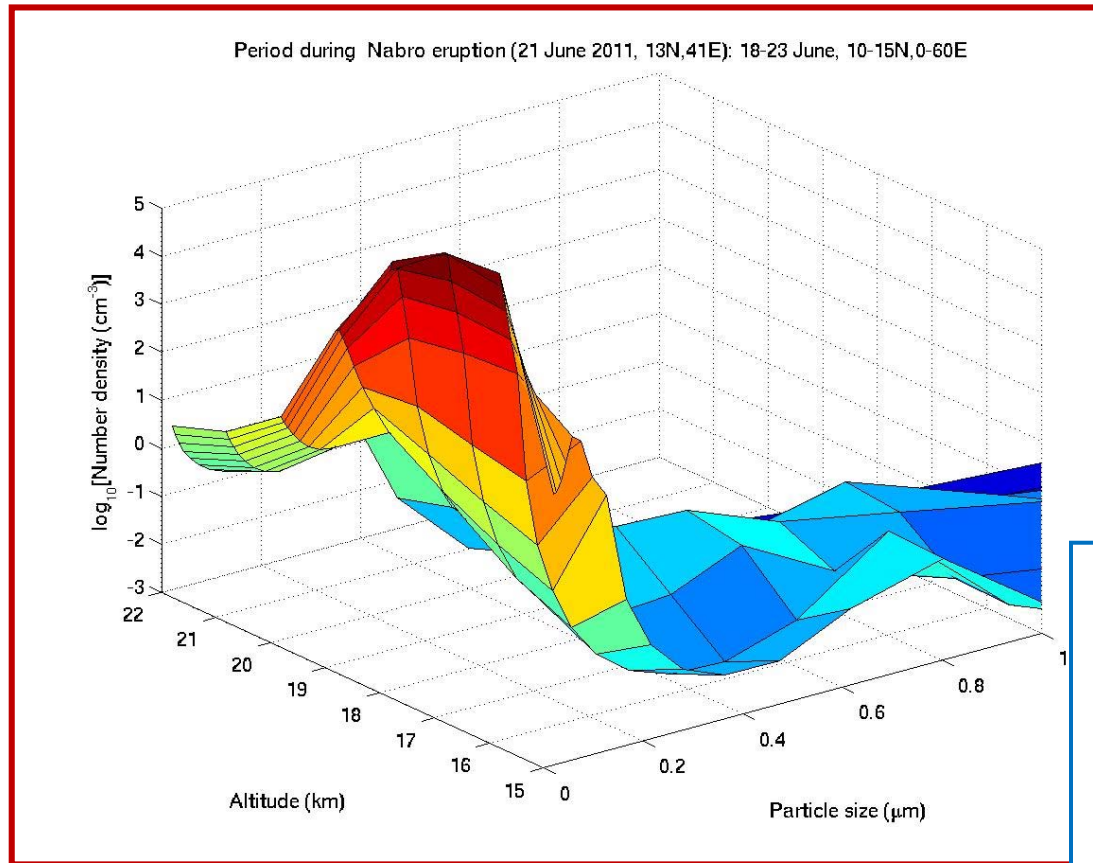
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2-3 weeks before  
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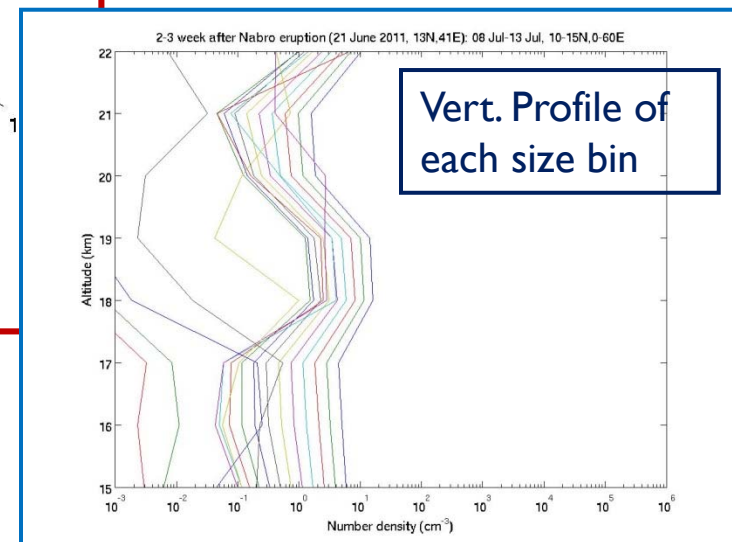
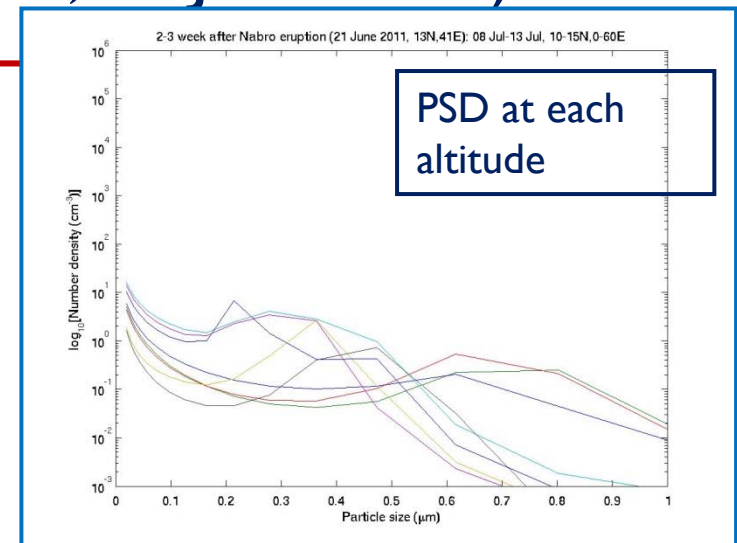
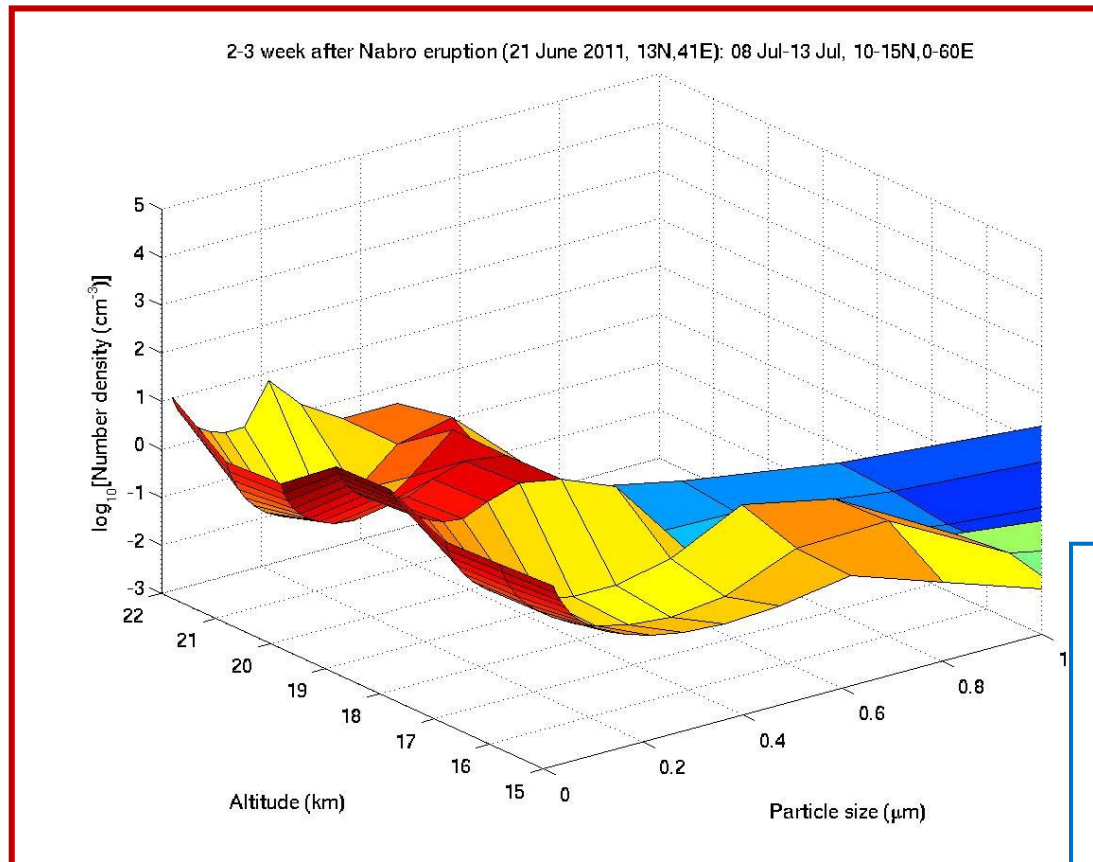


During the week  
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# Conclusion

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## CCI-GOMOS climate data records from AerGOM (2002-2012)

- CCI-GOMOS aerosol records using 5-day, 60° longitude, 5° latitude, 1 km altitude grid  
→ Customized for modelling application
- Comparisons with lidar measurements from 3 stations (low, mid-, high latitude)  
→ Issue: unknown extinction-to backscatter ratio
- Retrieval of the particle size distribution  
→ Challenging  
→ Quality of the retrieved PSD improved by using binned extinction values  
→ Time series expected in the coming months
- Use of CCI-GOMOS records in climate modelling applications  
→ See presentations by Jennifer Schallock and Christoph Brühl
- Perspectives for the future  
→ Improvement of the PSD  
→ Possible continuation of CCI  
→ Preparation of the ALTIUS mission

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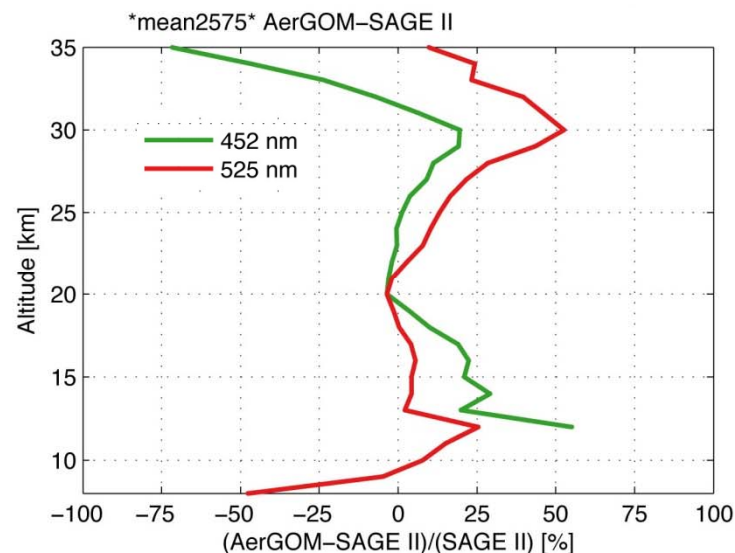
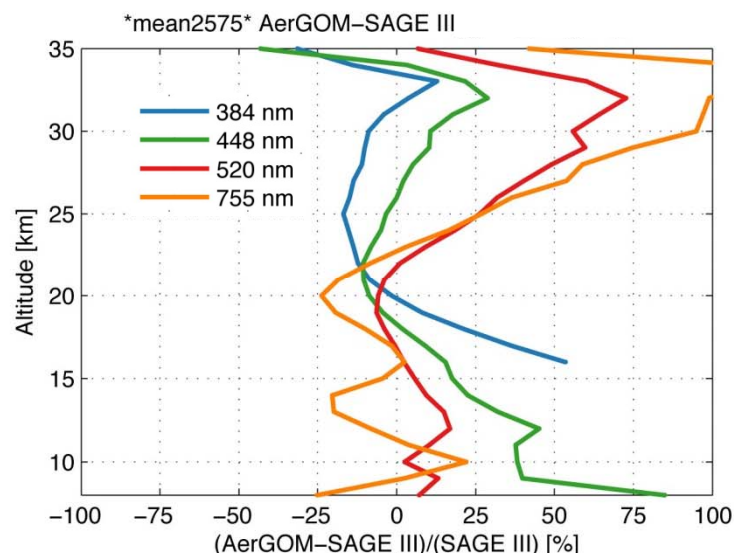


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# Validation vs. SAGE 2 / SAGE 3 (not in Aerosol\_cci)

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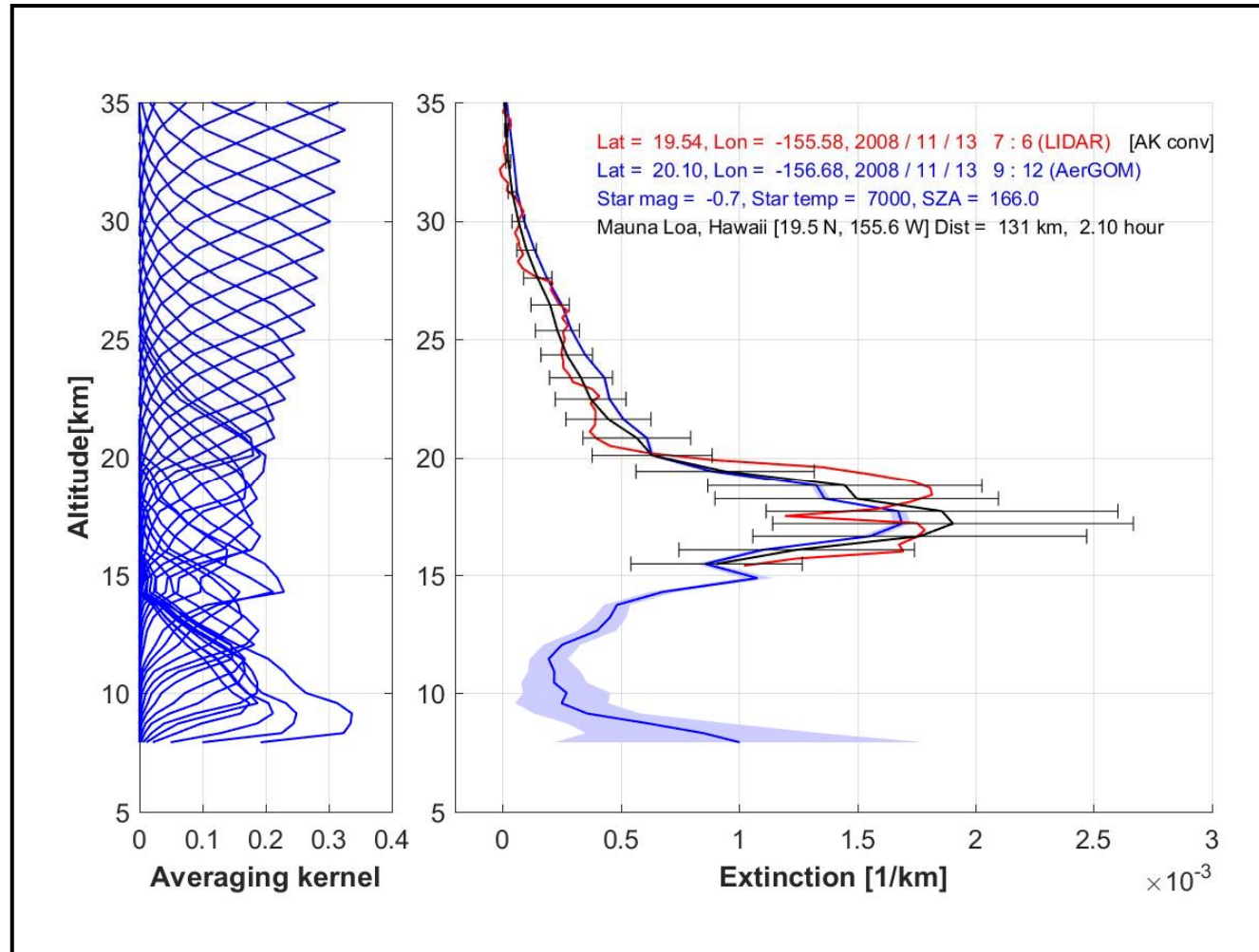
- Based of 3000 random profiles:



# Validation

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- Examples of comparison:



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# AerGOM retrieval algorithm

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# Climate Data Records for Aerosol\_cci

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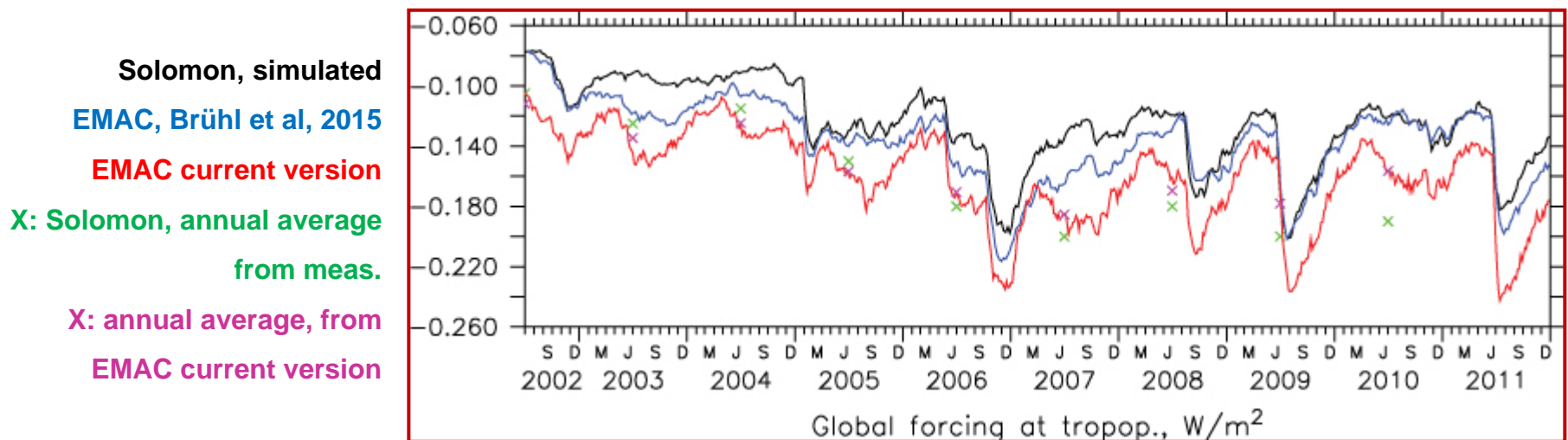
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# Application: volcanoes inventory

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- Sources: MIPAS, GOMOS, other sources
- About 230 explosive eruptions
  - Illustration: Simulated global radiative forcing of stratospheric aerosol at  $\sim 100\text{hPa}$  (Solomon et al., 2011)



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