



# NASA GEOS Composition Forecast System, "GEOS-CF"

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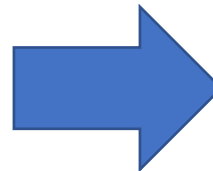
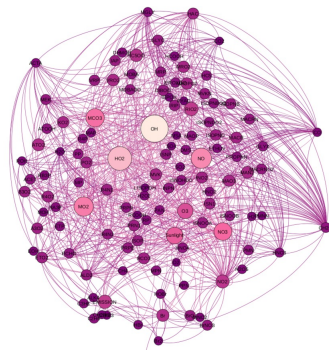
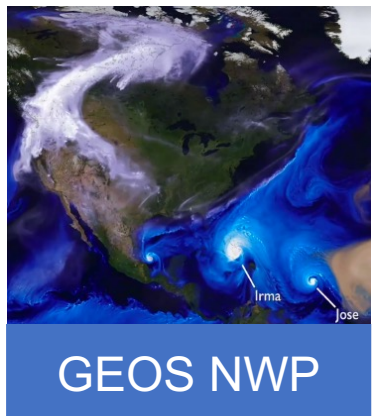
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# GEOS Composition Forecast



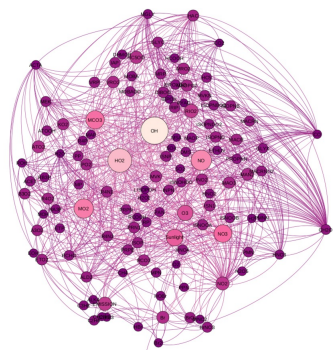
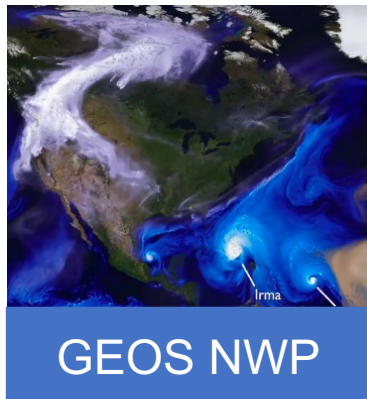
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Tropospheric and Stratospheric chemistry

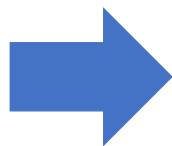
- 250 Chemical Species
- 725 Chemical Reactions

# Daily composition forecast

## GEOS - CF



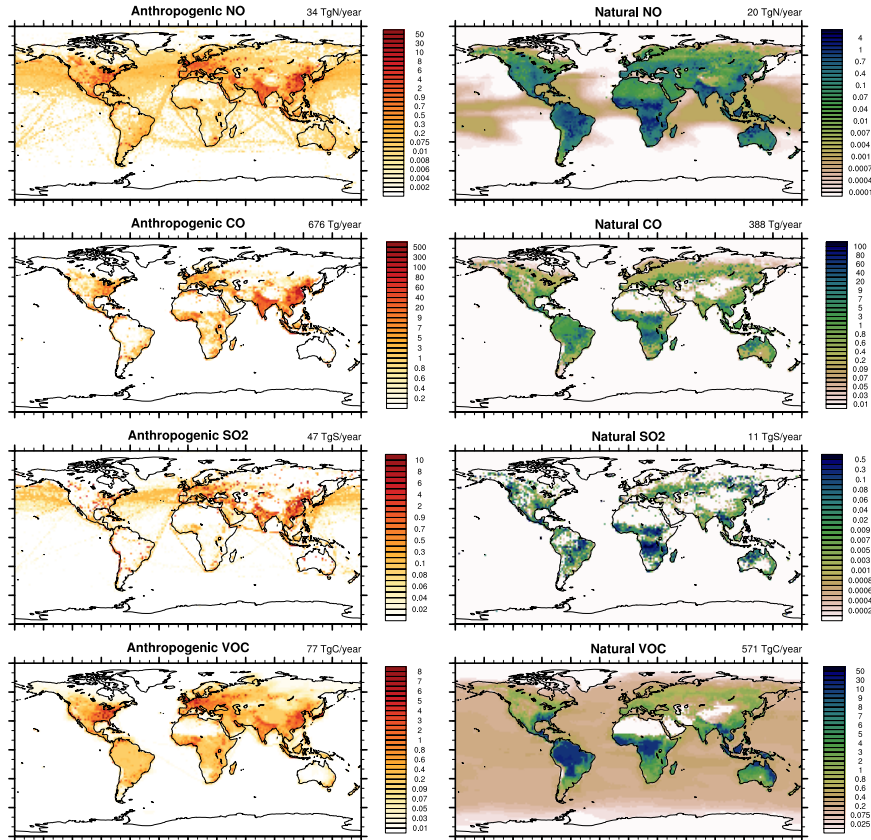
GEOS-Chem



One **5-day forecast** per day

- 1-day meteorological replay (“analysis”)
- 5-day forecast
- 0.25° resolution, ~**25x25 km<sup>2</sup>**, Global
- 72 model layers, surface to 0.01 hPa
- Chemistry: O<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, VOCs, PM, ...
- Meteorology: T, U, V, RH ....
- **15 minute** “surface”
- **1-hour** average and instantaneous 2D & 3D
- **Available since 1 January 2018**

# GEOS-Chem emissions



**Anthropogenic:** HTAP, RETRO, DICE (Africa), AEIC (aircraft)

**Biomass burning:** QFED NRT

**Biogenic:** Megan 2.1

**Lightning:** online (Murray et al., 2012)

**Soil NO<sub>x</sub>:** online (Hudman et al. 2012)

**Dust:** online (Zender et al. 2003)

**Sea salt:** online (Jaegle et al., 2011)

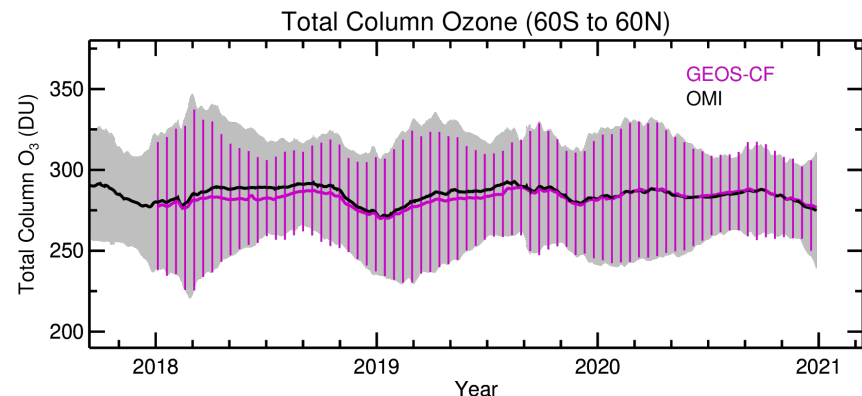
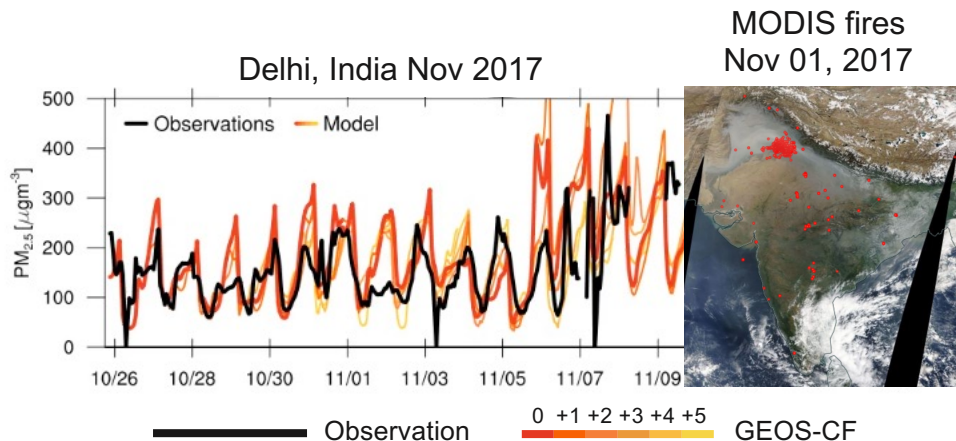
**Ocean:** online: sea salt, DMS, acetone, acetaldehyde, HOI, I<sub>2</sub>

**Prescribed:** CFCs, VSLs, CH<sub>4</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>

# Near-real time updates from satellite data

- Biomass burning emissions from near-real time QFED v2.5

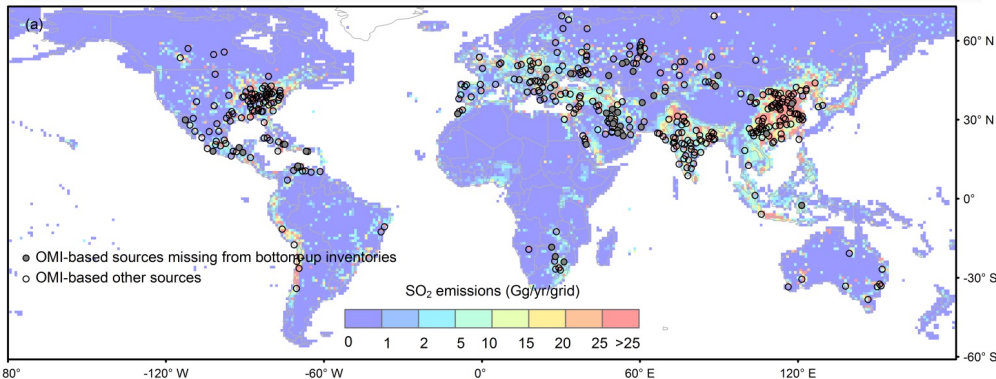
- GEOS-CF Stratospheric O<sub>3</sub> is weakly nudged to the GEOS FP assimilated O<sub>3</sub>



# Daily composition forecast

## GEOS - CF

SO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the OMI-HTAP inventory



A new emission inventory, OMI-HTAP, combines OMI-based SO<sub>2</sub> emissions for large sources and the bottom-up inventory, HTAP, for smaller sources.

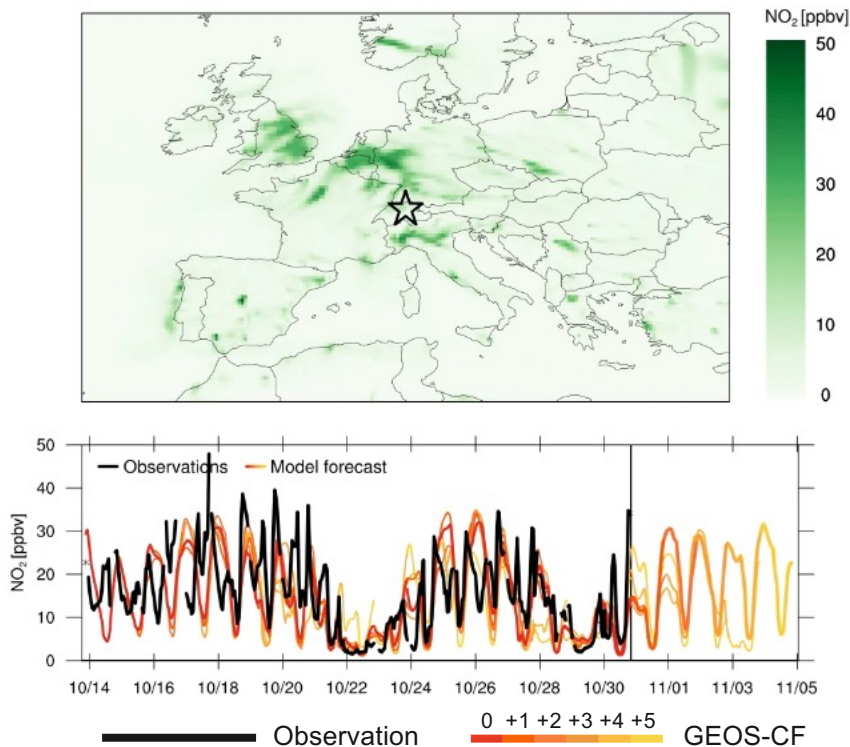
Liu, F., et al., *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 18, 2018

- Annual gridded scale factors based on satellite data are applied to the emissions of CO (Oda et al., 2017) and SO<sub>2</sub> (Liu et al., 2018).

“Business-as-usual”  
assumed for 2020 and 2021

# Daily variations of emissions

Zurich, Switzerland, 2017-10-30 22:45 UTC



- Scale factors applied to emissions for diurnal and weekly variations
- These are clearly beneficial for surface NO<sub>2</sub> analyses and forecasts
- Shown for Zurich - weather and diurnal/weekly signals are prominent
- Surface observations obtained through emerging connection to OpenAQ ([openaq.org](http://openaq.org))

# GEOS-CF are available online in near real-time

## FLUID is a mobile-friendly website

<https://fluid.nccs.nasa.gov/cf/>

<https://portal.nccs.nasa.gov/datashare/gmao/geos-cf/v1/>

### Composition Forecast

#### CF Datagrams

#### NATIONAL

Houston

#### WORLD

Select a Station

#### AERONET

Select a Station

#### MEGACITIES

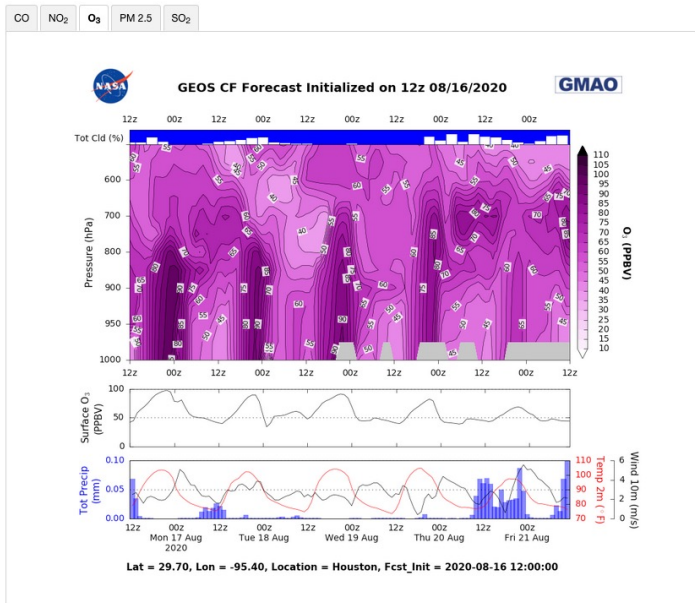
Houston

#### ACTIVE CAMPAIGNS

Select a Station

### GMAO GEOS CF Datagrams

O3 at Houston (29.70, -95.40)



NASA GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER + NASA HomePage + NASA Center for Climate Simulation

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USA.gov + Privacy Policy and Important Notices NASA Curator: Corey D. Jones NASA Official: Dan Duffy Last Updated: 03/13/2019

<https://opendap.nccs.nasa.gov/dods/gmao/geos-cf/>

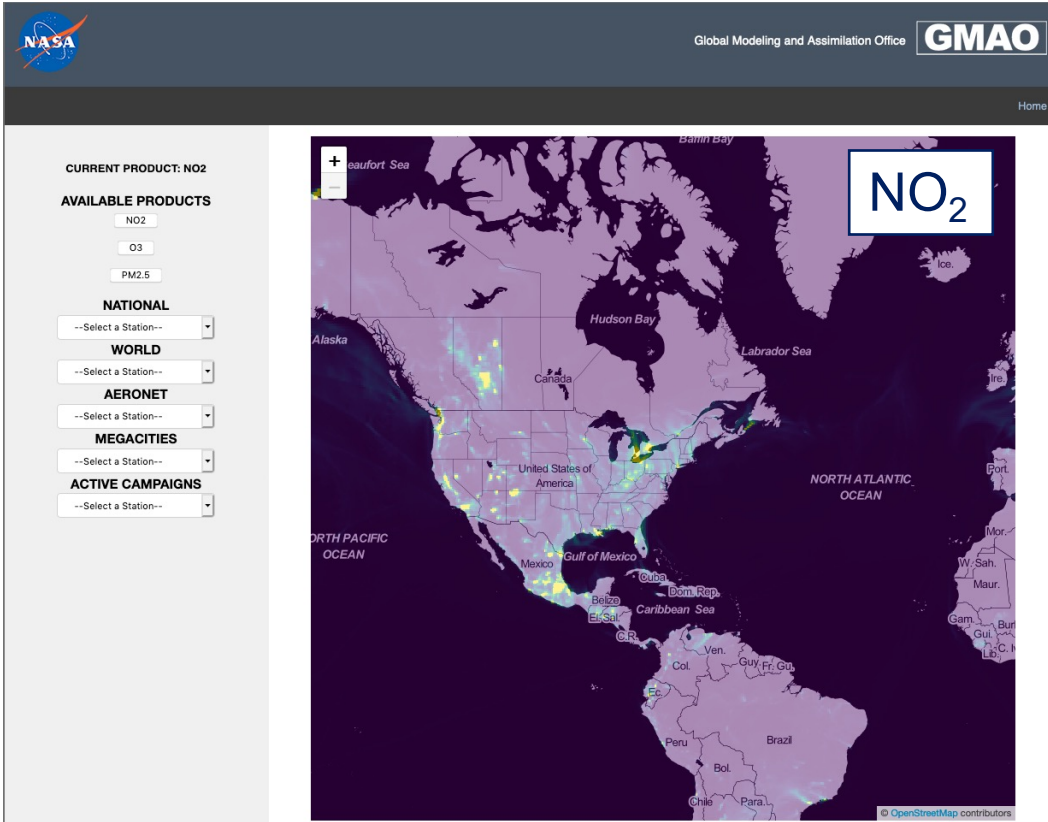
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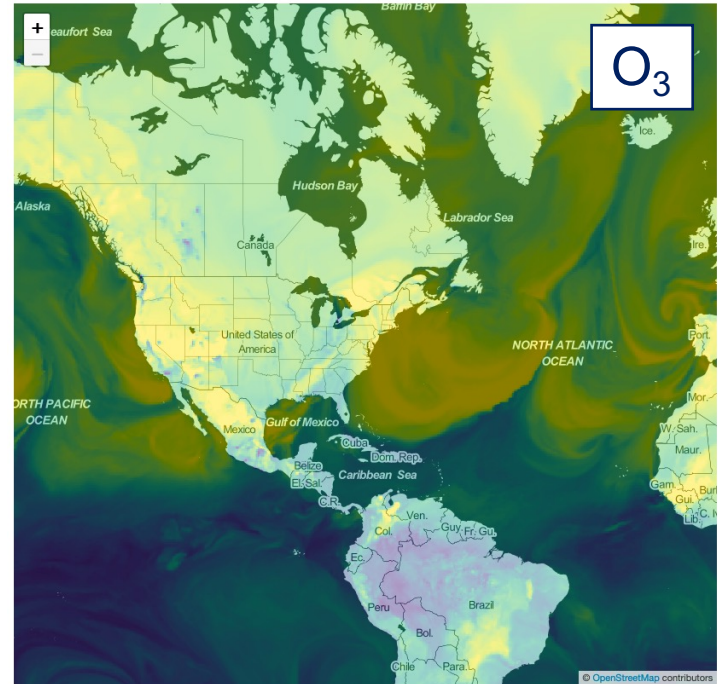
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**Time:** 00:30Z01JAN2018 to 11:30Z31OCT2019 (16044 points, avg. res. 0.042 days)  
**Variables:** (total of 52)  
**xyle** xylene (c8h10, mw = 106.16 g mol<sup>-1</sup>) volume mixing ratio dry air  
**dst2** dust aerosol, reff = 1.4 microns (mw = 29.00 g mol<sup>-1</sup>) volume mixing ratio dry air  
**hno4** peroxyntic acid (hno4, mw = 79.00 g mol<sup>-1</sup>) volume mixing ratio dry air  
**pm25u\_rh35\_gcc** sulfate\_particulate\_matter\_with\_diameter\_below\_2.5\_um\_rh\_35



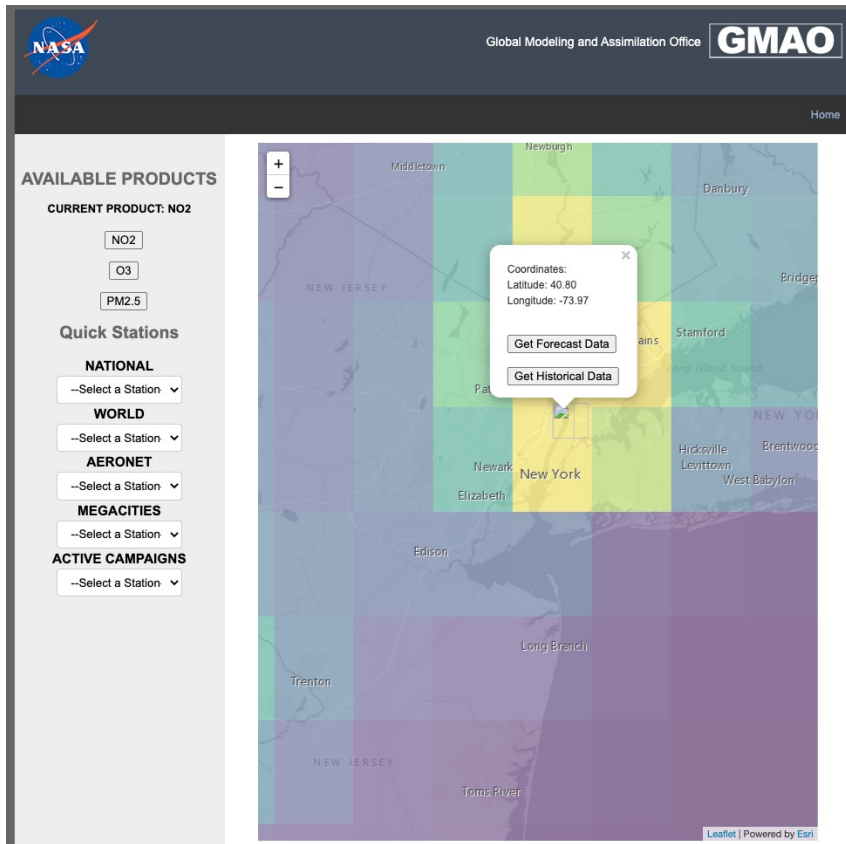
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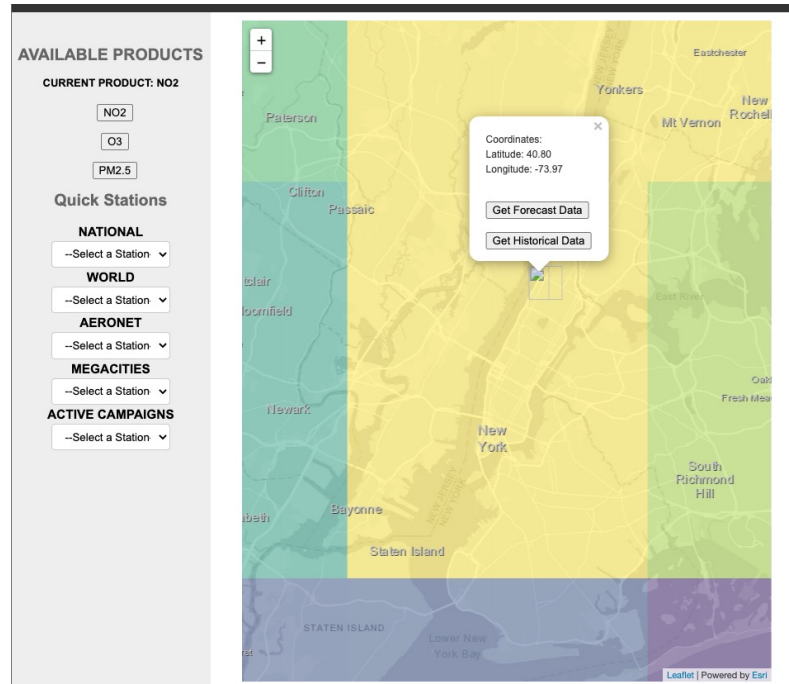
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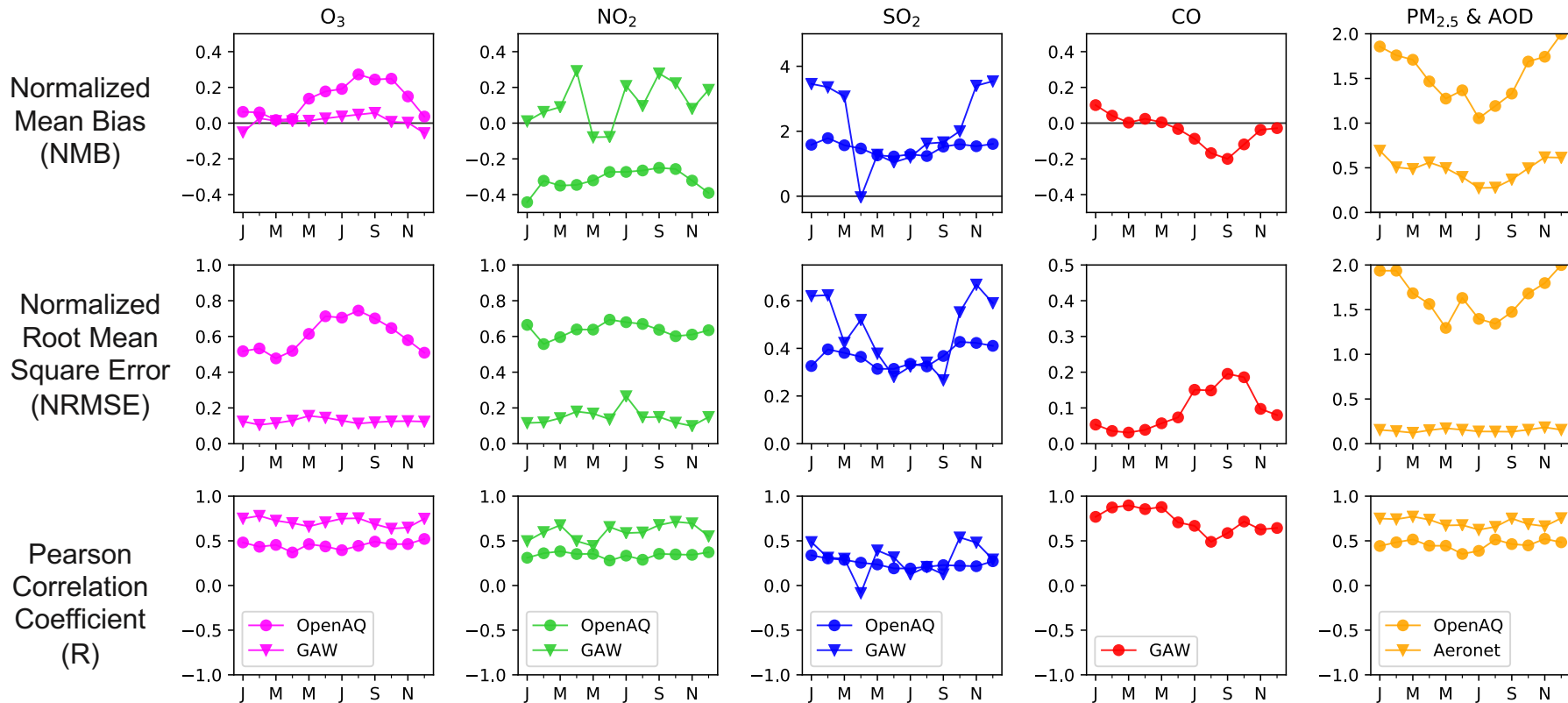
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Capability to zoom in and select data for any grid box

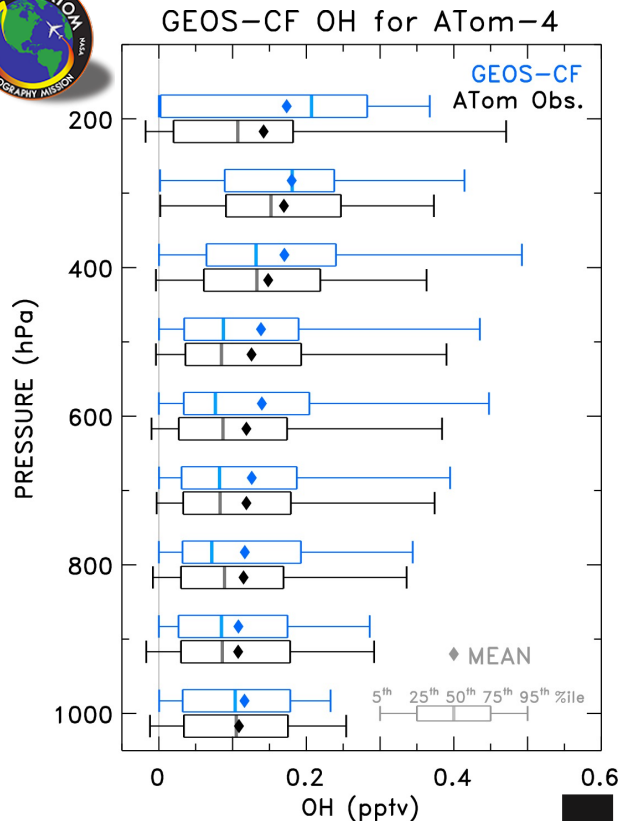


# Global surface comparisons - monthly



Keller et al., 2021, JAMES

# GEOS-CF oxidizing capacity of remote atmosphere compares well to ATom

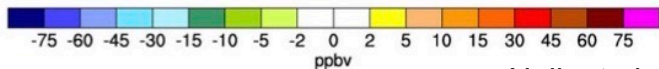
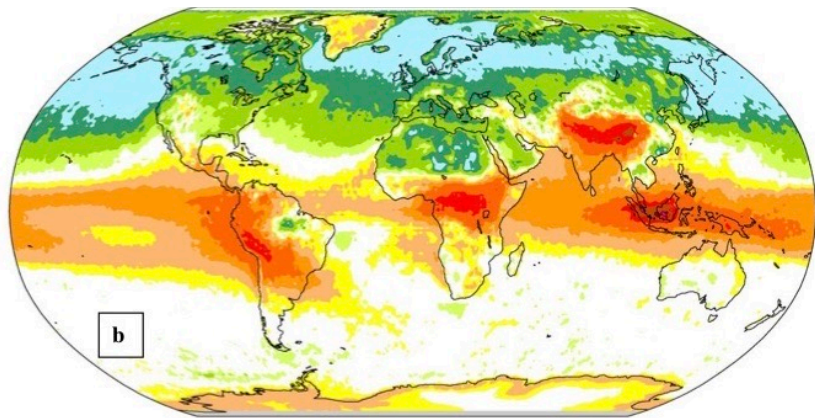


- The hydroxyl radical (OH) is the main tropospheric oxidant, controlling lifetimes of greenhouse gases including methane and initiating formation of secondary pollutants like ozone and aerosols
- OH is difficult to measure; the NASA Atmospheric Tomography Mission (ATom) airborne campaign conducted global-scale *in situ* measurements of OH
- The ATHOS instrument measured OH by laser-induced fluorescence on four deployments of the DC-8 aircraft, primarily over remote Pacific, Atlantic oceans
- GEOS-CF hourly model output was sampled along the flight tracks of the fourth deployment (ATom-4) for April-May 2018.
- Despite OH being difficult to model, distributions of OH compare well between GEOS-CF and observations from the surface to 300 hPa

Figure courtesy of Julie Nicely

# GEOS-CF shows significant improvements in CO simulation, especially over NH

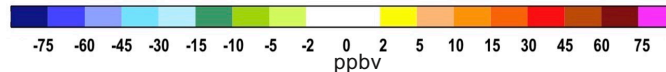
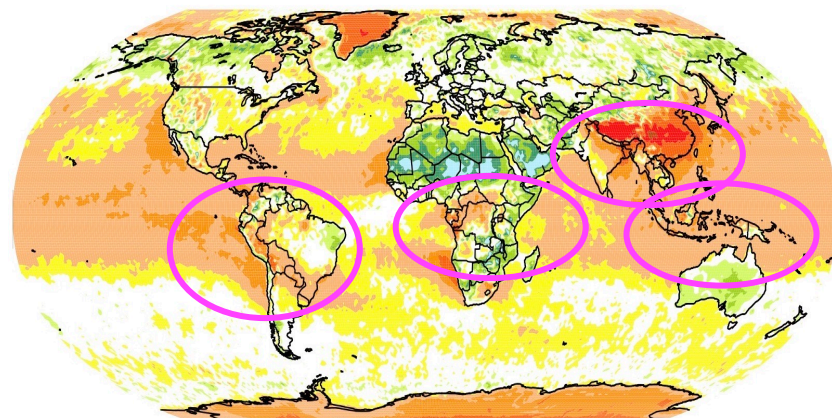
ACCMIP multi-model mean – MOPITT  
(500 hPa, 2000-2006)



*Naik et al. 2013, ACP*

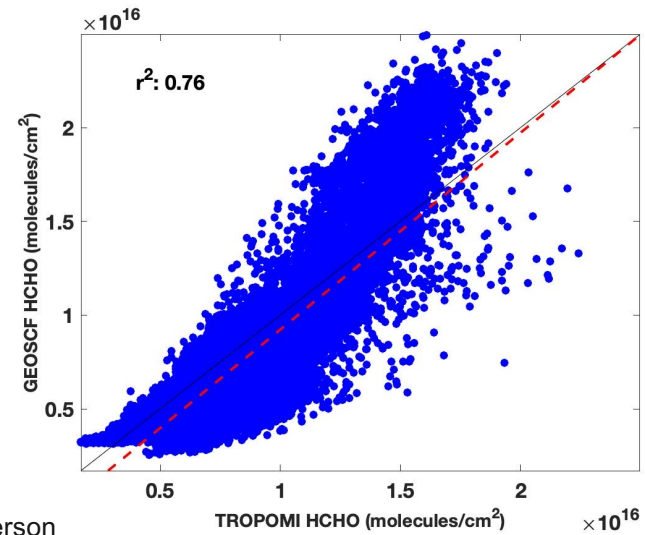
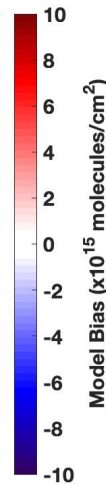
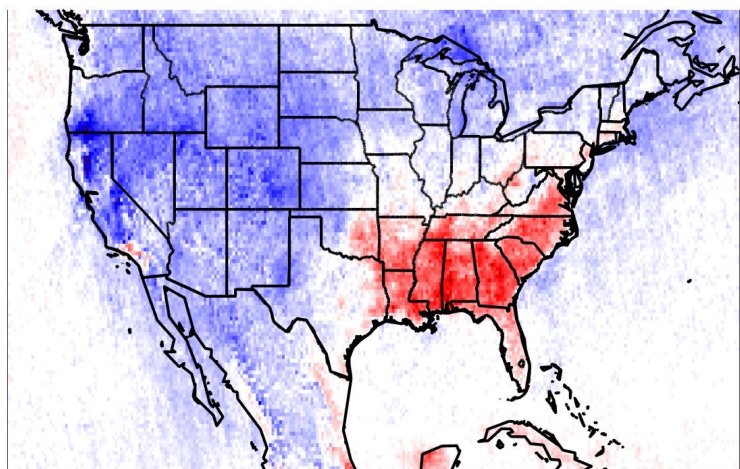
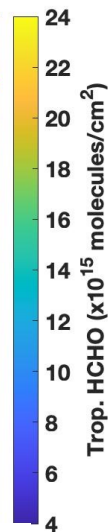
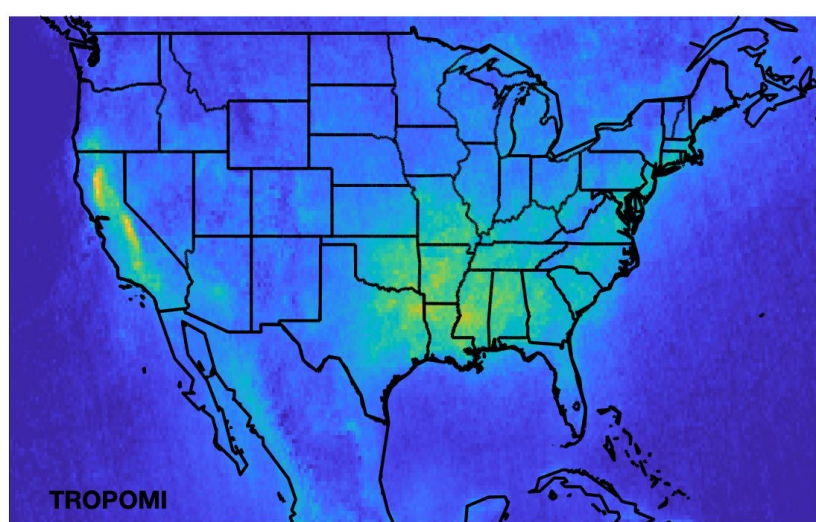
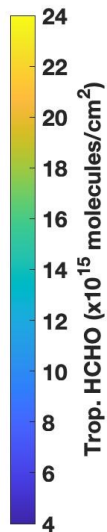
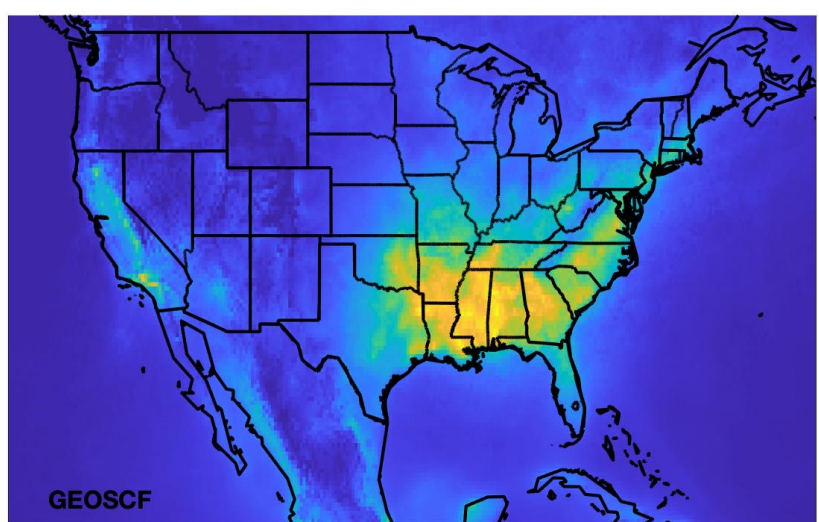
The ACCMIP multi-model mean underestimates the MOPITT CO at 500 hPa in the NH mid-high latitudes (up to 45 ppb), except over northern India and south-central China.

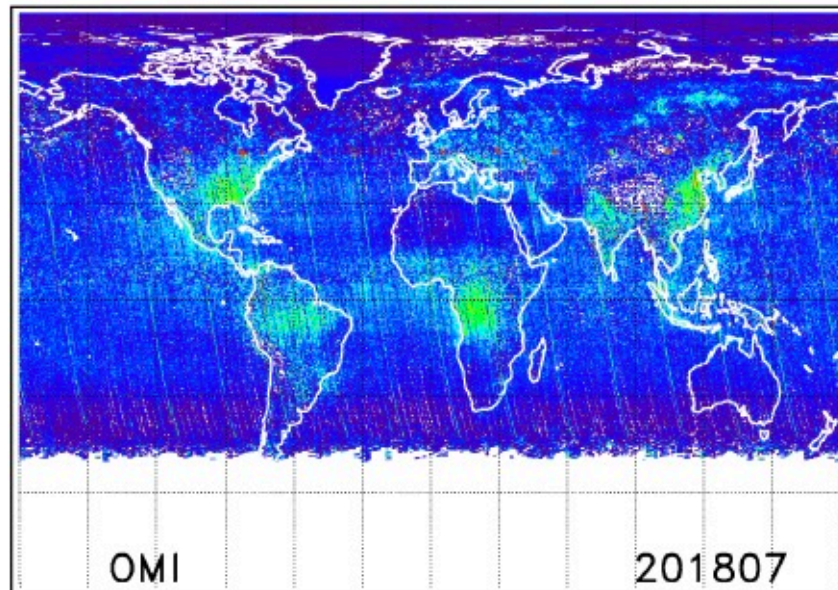
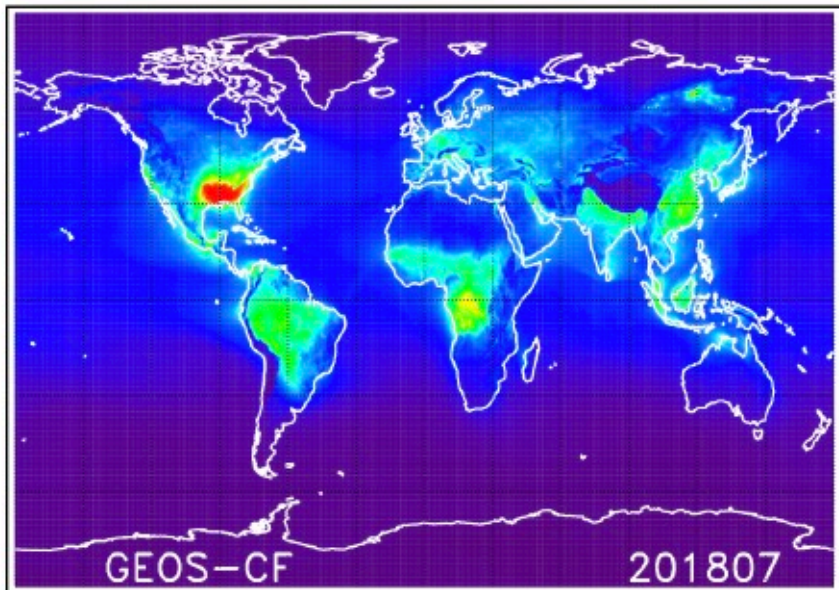
GEOS-CF – MOPITT  
(500 hPa, 2018-2019)



GEOS-CF shows **significant improvements in CO simulation** except over south-central China:

Figures courtesy of Junhua Liu

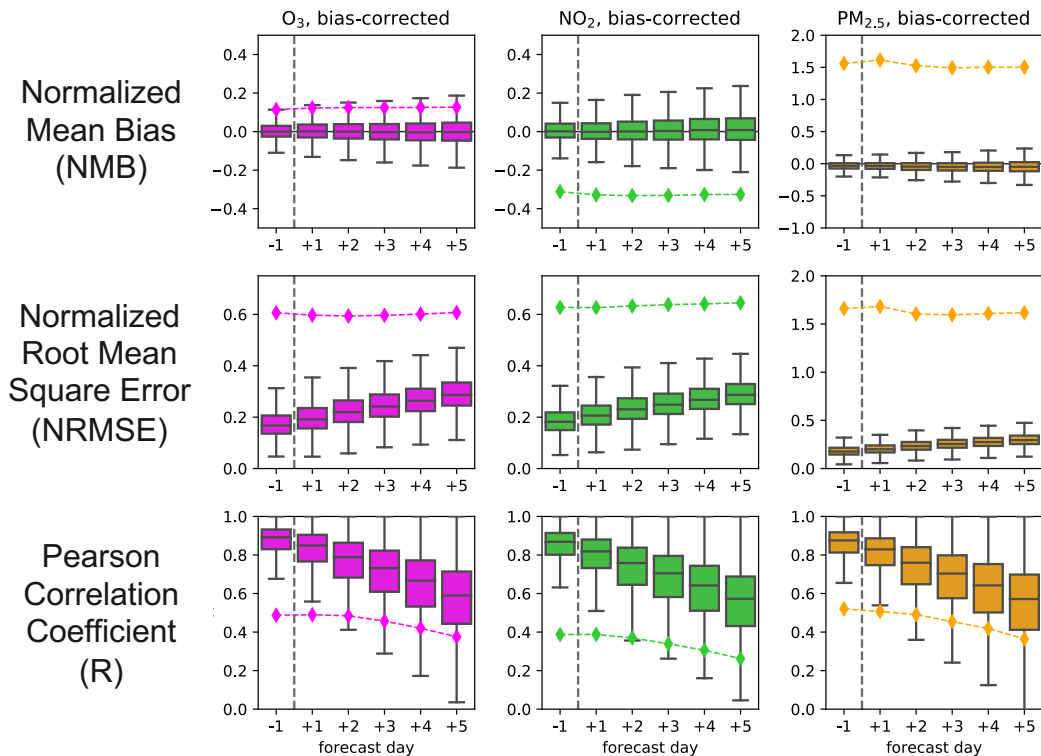




Using L3 OMI HCHO product, averaging kernel *not* incorporated

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# GEOS CF Forecast skill



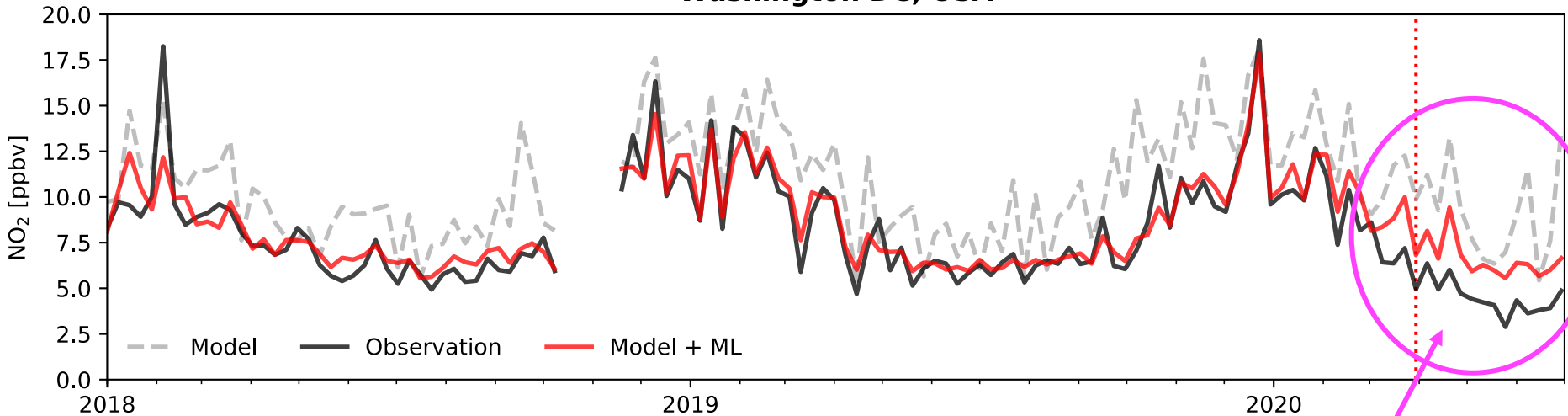
- ✓ Using a Machine Learning (ML) algorithm to calculate bias-correction term for each monitoring site can drastically improve the forecast skill at the individual locations

Keller et al., 2021, JAMES



# New application of the GEOS-CF ML algorithm

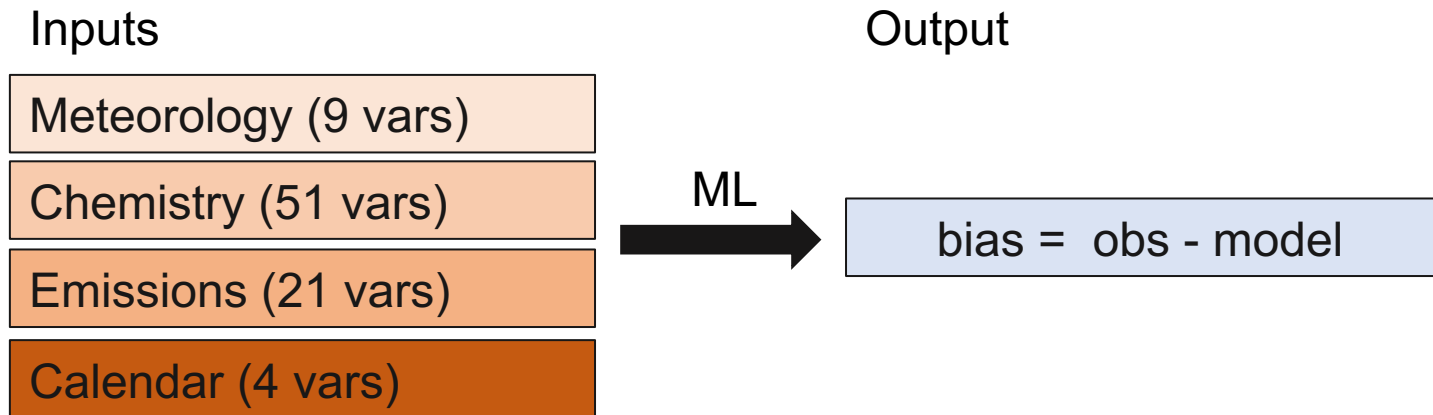
Washington DC, USA



Impact of COVID-19 restrictions

Keller et al., 2021 ACP

# Apply bias-correction to model output using machine learning (using historical observation-model comparisons)

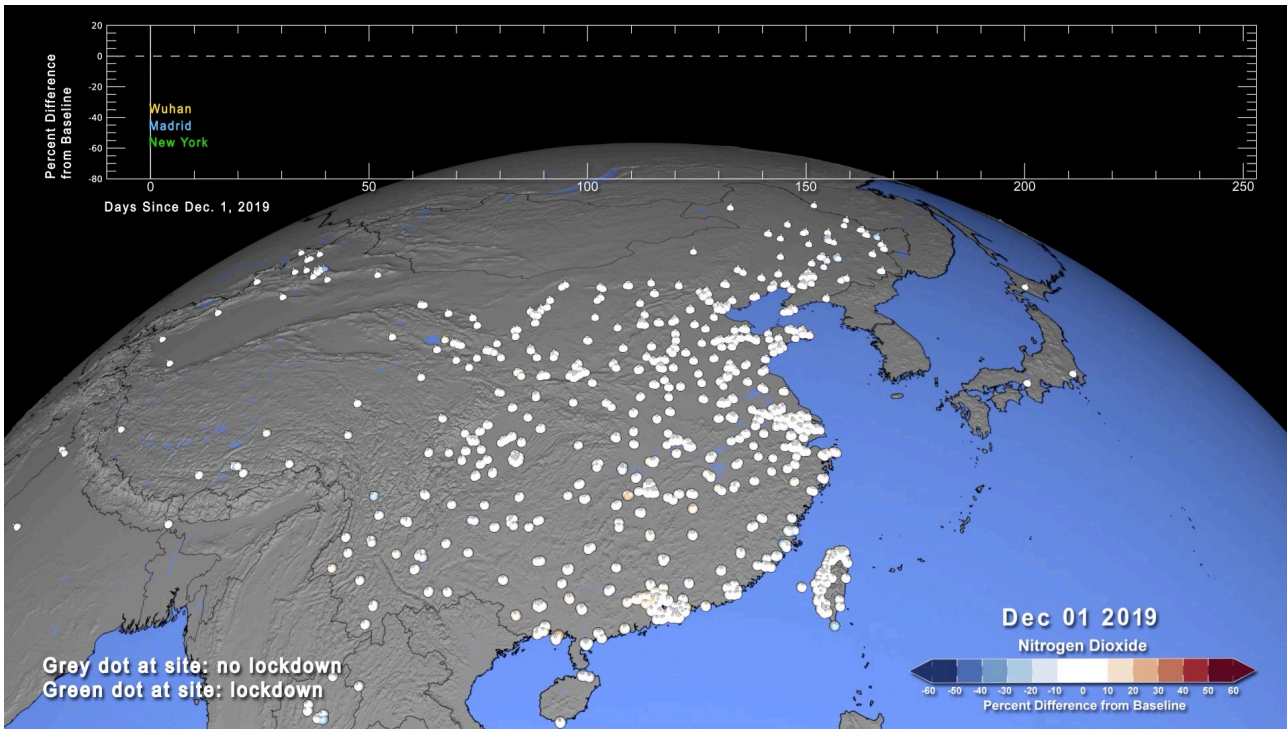


- Algorithm: gradient boosted decision trees (XGBoost)
- Training: 2018-2019 (8-fold cross validation)

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# Apply analysis to 5756 sites worldwide



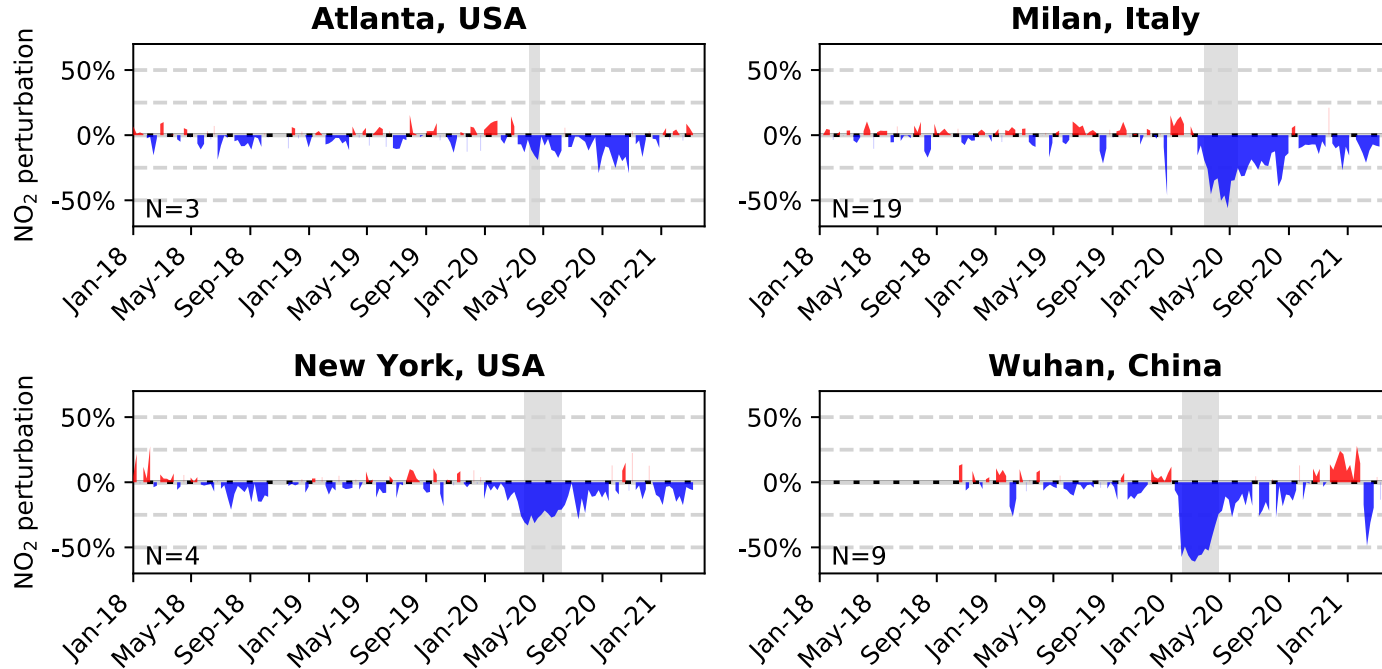
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<https://www.nasa.gov/feature/goddard/2020/nasa-model-reveals-how-much-covid-related-pollution-levels-deviated-from-the-norm>



# Observation-model differences indicate city-wide NO<sub>2</sub> declines of up to 50% early on and a halting recovery since then

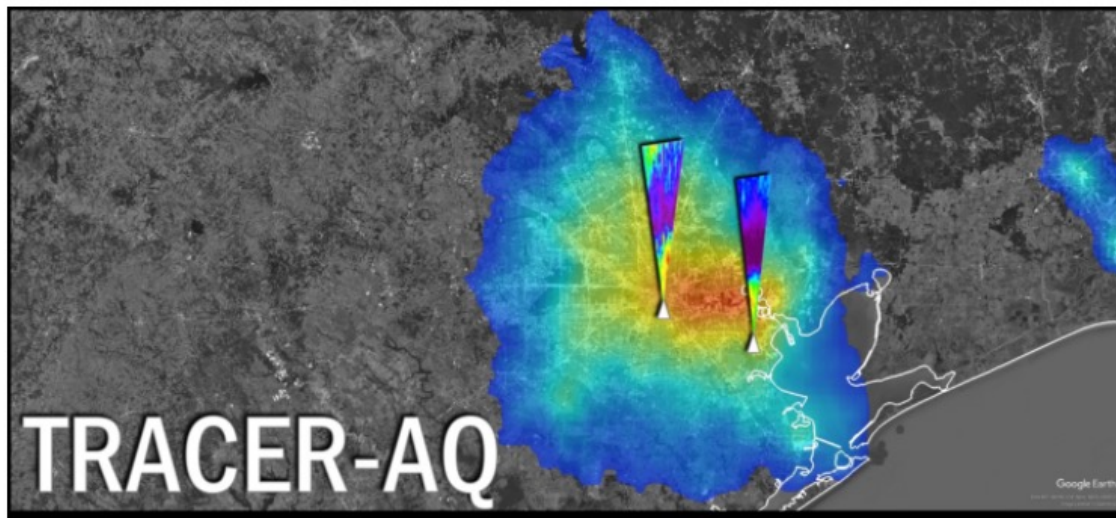


Updated through March 16, 2021

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## Future missions



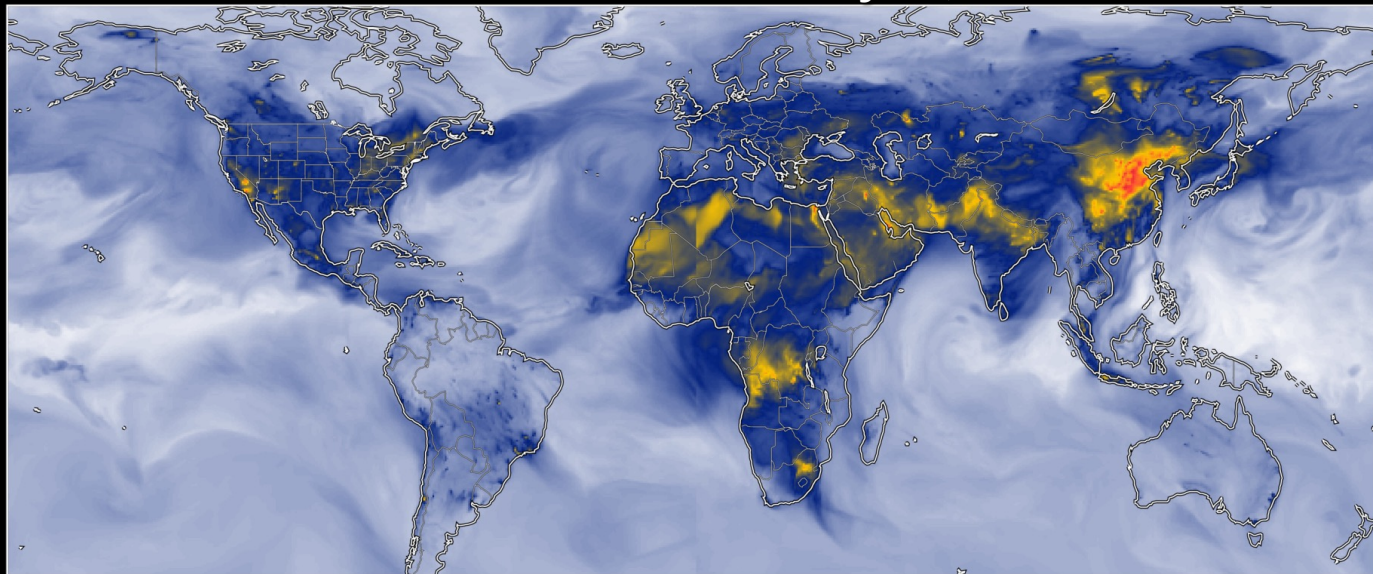
*Banner image includes annual average TROPOMI Tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> columns over the Houston region (April 2019-March 2018) with the approximate proposed locations for TOLNET lidars illustrating their capability for ozone profiling.*

GEOS products to support the upcoming TRACER-AQ campaign September 2021

<https://www-air.larc.nasa.gov/missions/tracer-aq/>

# Forecast Application: Multi-pollutant Health Risk Index

## Health risk Index: July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017



GEOS-CF 1/4°

GEOS-Chem v11-02

Lower Health Risks

Higher Health Risks



Greater health risks



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Harvard University

Multi-pollutant index, developed by Kevin Cromar and NYU team (Gladson et al. *in prep*)

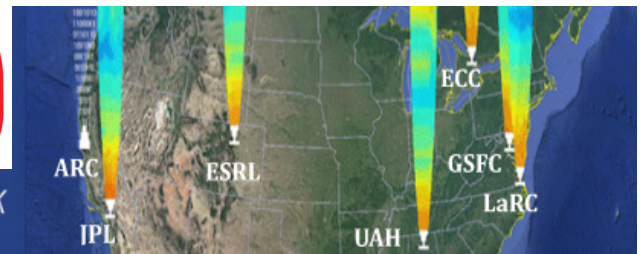
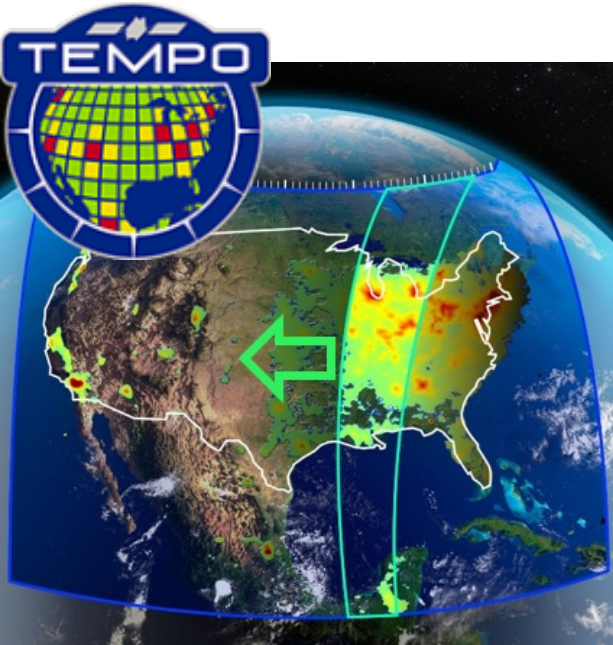
- Maximum daily 8-hour average (MDA8) O<sub>3</sub>
- 24-hour-average NO<sub>2</sub>
- 24-hour-average PM<sub>2.5</sub>

# Daily atmospheric composition forecast

GEOS - CF

A realistic stratosphere in GEOS-CF is essential to support a broad range of NASA applications, including:

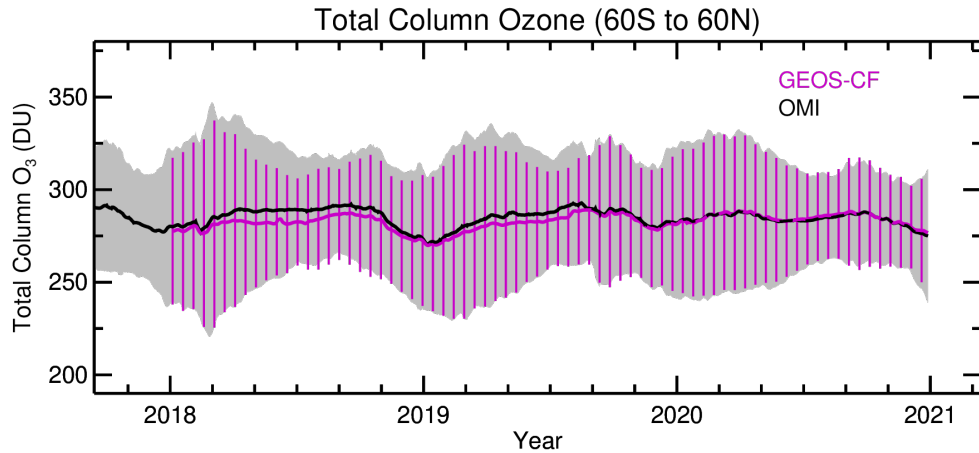
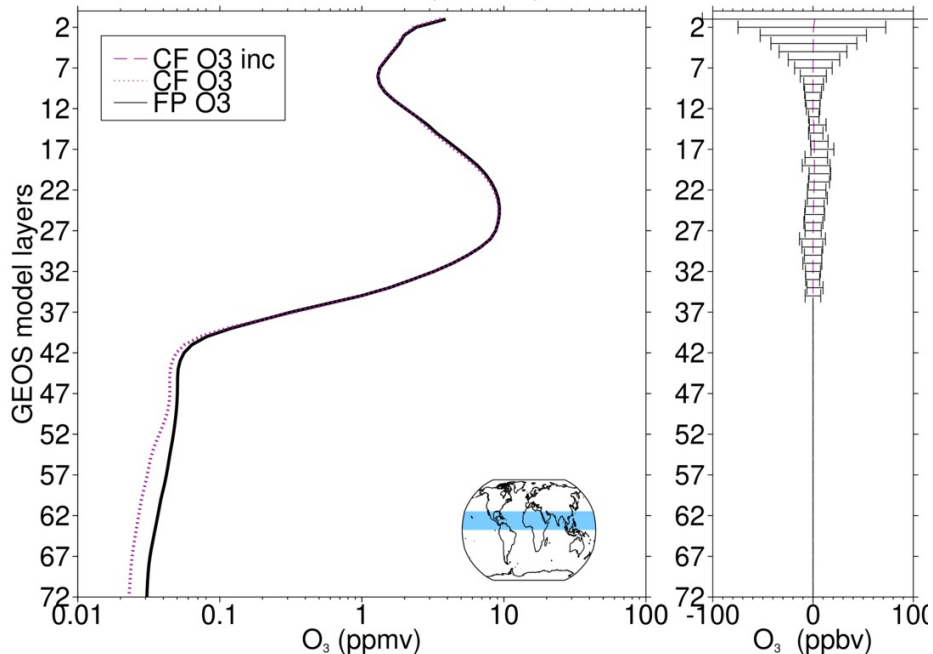
- Satellite retrievals of trace gases
- Airborne campaigns
- Stratosphere-troposphere exchange



# Near-real time updates from satellite data

- GEOS-CF Stratospheric  $O_3$  is weakly nudged to the GEOS FP assimilated  $O_3$

20180701 NHe mean ( $0^\circ$  to  $30^\circ$ )



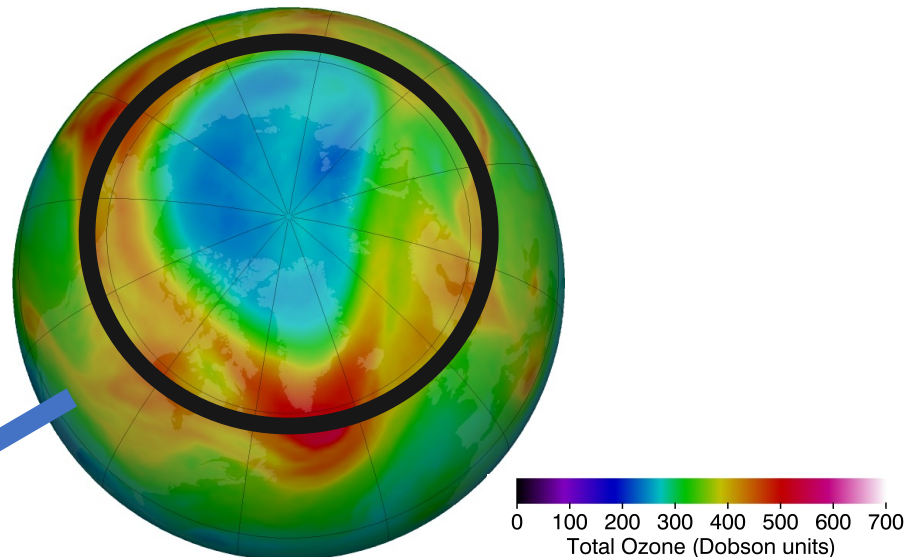
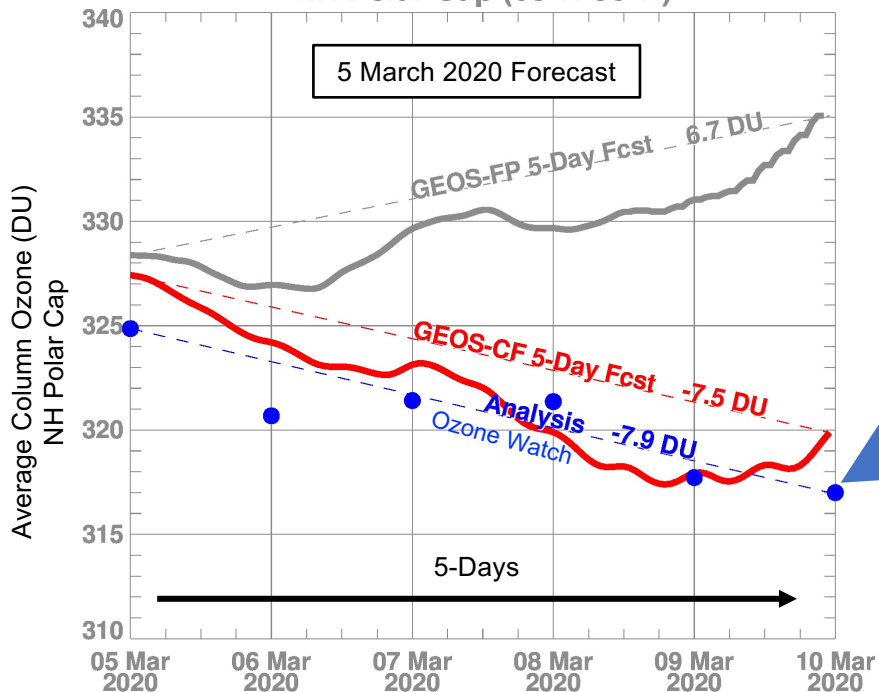
GEOS-CF captures the spread of OMI column  $O_3$

Knowland et al., 2021 in prep



# GEOS-CF has realistic stratospheric ozone forecasts

NH Polar Cap (63°N-90°N)



March 10, 2020: [Ozonewatch.gsfc.nasa.gov](https://ozonewatch.gsfc.nasa.gov)

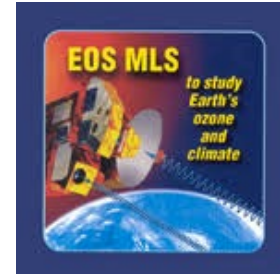
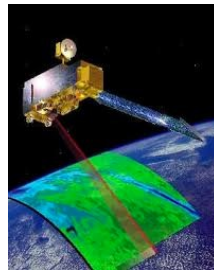
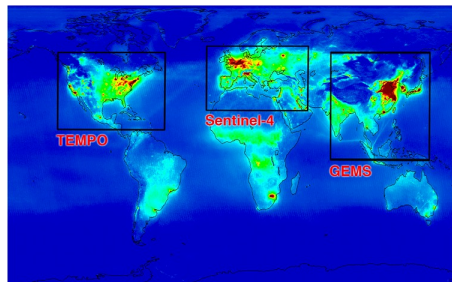
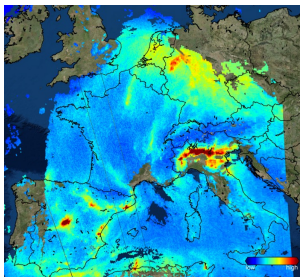
The GEOS-CF with stratospheric chemistry is responsible for the improved ozone forecasts adding realistic near-real-time stratospheric ozone forecasting capability to the NASA GMAO.

Figure courtesy of Larry Coy

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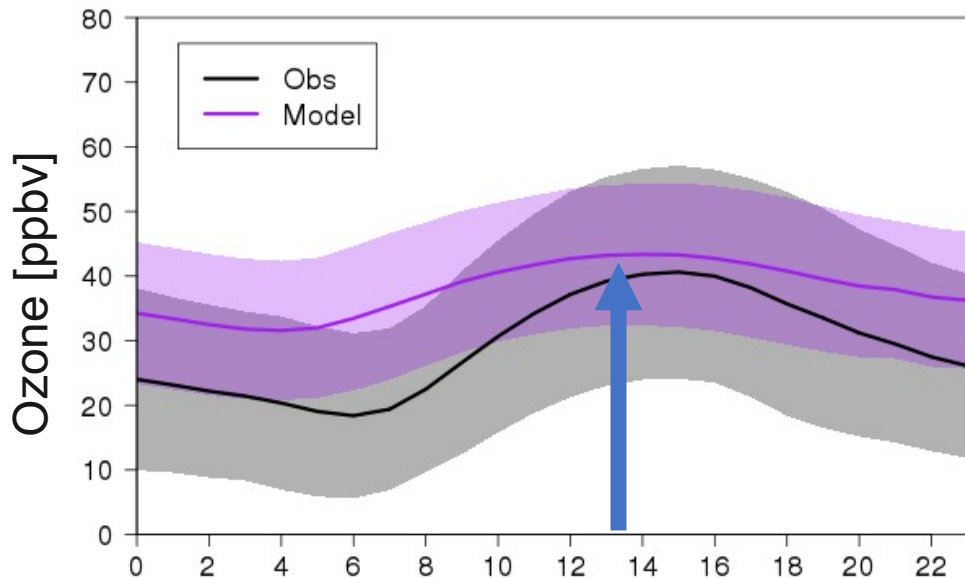
## Planned upgrades for GEOS-CF

- Model update to GEOS-Chem v13.0
  - Improvements to ozone deposition
  - Updates to  $\text{NO}_3$  washout → likely reduce  $\text{PM}_{2.5}$  bias
- GEOS AGCM update
- Meteorology update to GEOS-FP or GEOS-IT
- CEDS emission inventory (latest release through 2019); new emission scale factors
- Constituent Data Assimilation System (CoDAS)
  - Multi-constituent assimilation with  $\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$
  - Satellite-based emission scale factors

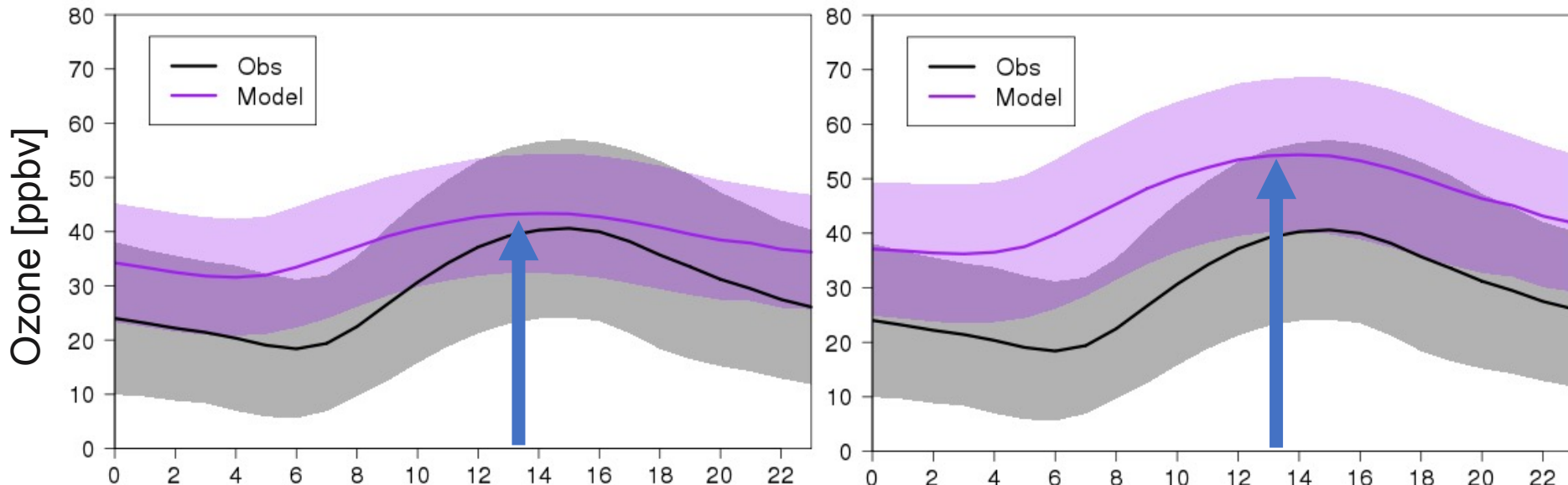


# Assimilation of $\text{NO}_x$ and CO exacerbates tropospheric ozone bias

## Control (no assimilation)



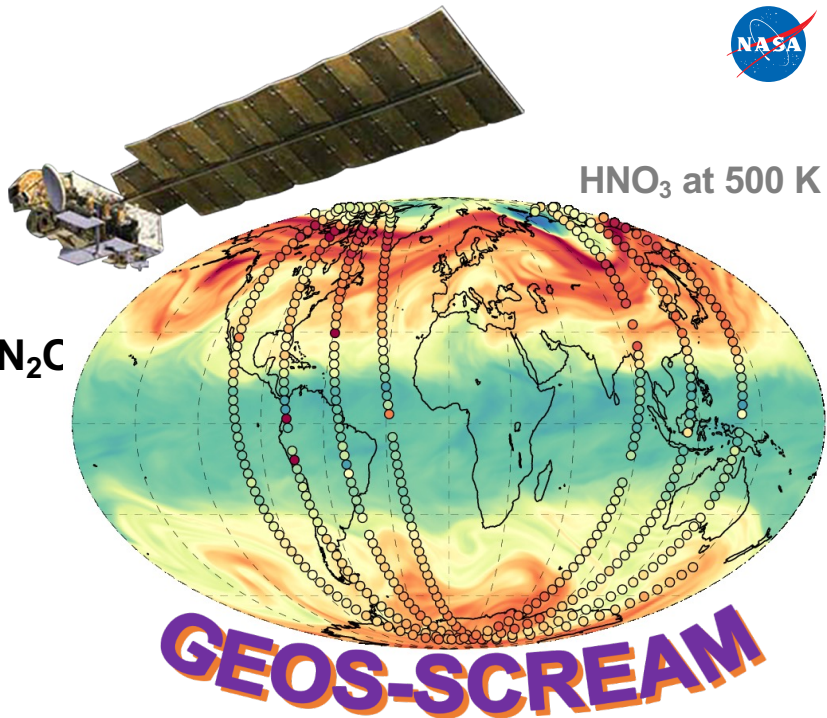
## With multi-species assimilation



➤ Improved diurnal cycle, most likely due to improved afternoon  $\text{NO}_2$

# GEOS Stratospheric Composition Reanalysis with Aura MLS (GEOS-SCREAM)

Kris Wargan, Brad Weir, Gloria L. Manney, Stephen E. Cohn,  
Nathaniel J. Livesey and JPL colleagues



- ❑ Assimilating MLS v4.2 **ozone**, **H<sub>2</sub>O**, **HCl**, **HNO<sub>3</sub>**, & **N<sub>2</sub>C** and **total ozone** from OMI
- ❑ Replay to MERRA-2
- ❑ GEOS “StratChem” stratospheric-only chemistry
- ❑ Period: September 2004 – December 2020+
- ✓ Close agreement with ACE-FTS and GLORIA data and the BRAM2 reanalysis
- GMAO Reanalysis of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (R21C, ~2022) with chemistry

Wargan, K., Weir, B., Manney, G. L., Cohn, S. E., & Livesey, N. J. (2020). The anomalous 2019 Antarctic ozone hole in the GEOS Constituent Data Assimilation System with MLS observations. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*, 125, e2020JD033335. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2020JD033335>



# Thank you!

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