



The Brazilian developments on the Regional Atmospheric Modeling System Unified Version (5.2)

- **Atmos. Chemistry, Physical and Dynamics Aspects,**
- **Operational Products and Evaluation,**
- **Report of 13 years at CPTEC/INPE.**

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Outline

- Operational products and evaluation of previous version (5.0) and of the new version (5.2)
- Some physical and dynamics aspects of version 5.2
- Brief report of 13 years at CPTEC/INPE
- Network of collaborators and developers



Operational Integrated Air Quality and Weather Forecasts

Since March 2003

AOD @ 550 nm

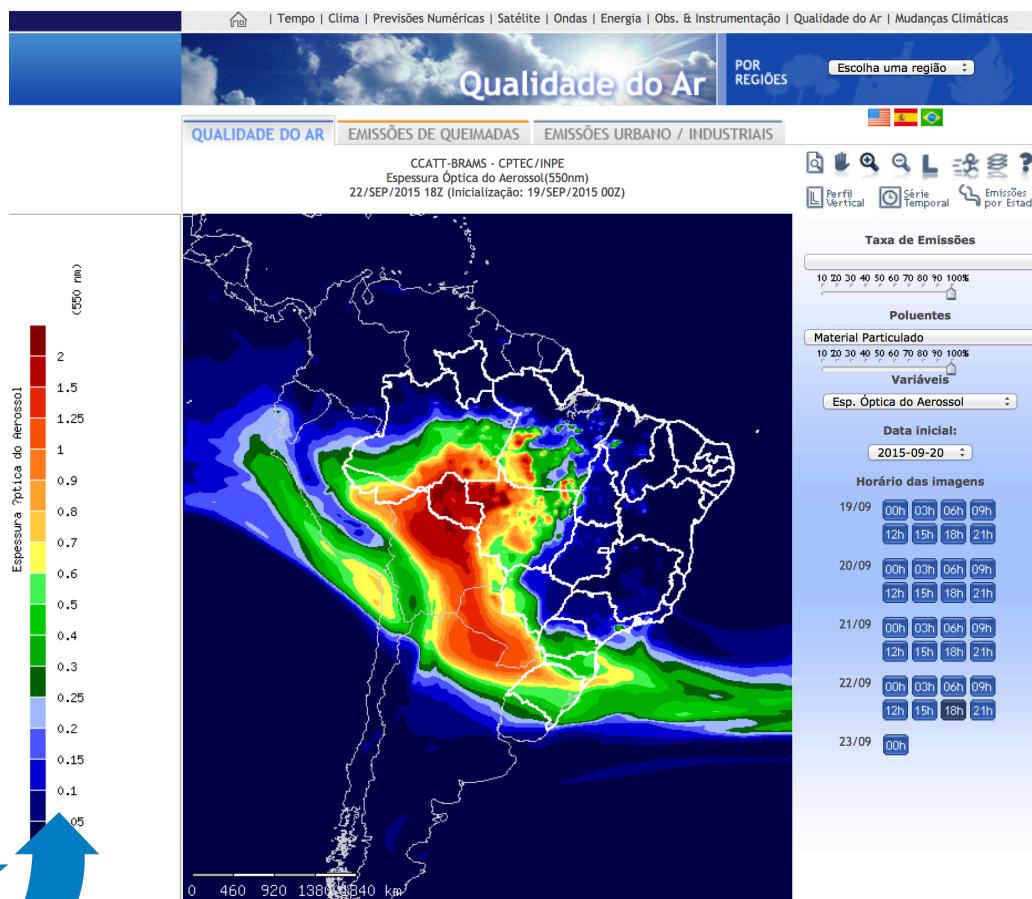
Forecast valid for 18 UTC 22 SEP 2015



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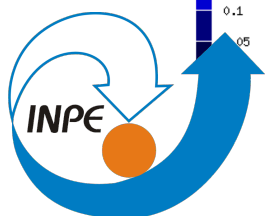


Grupo de Modelagem de Atmosfera e Interfaces



Provides:

- ✓ Weather+air quality FCT
- ✓ (CO, NO_x, O₃, PM_{2.5}, AOD)
- ✓ 24 h + 72h fct
- ✓ 25 km grid spacing



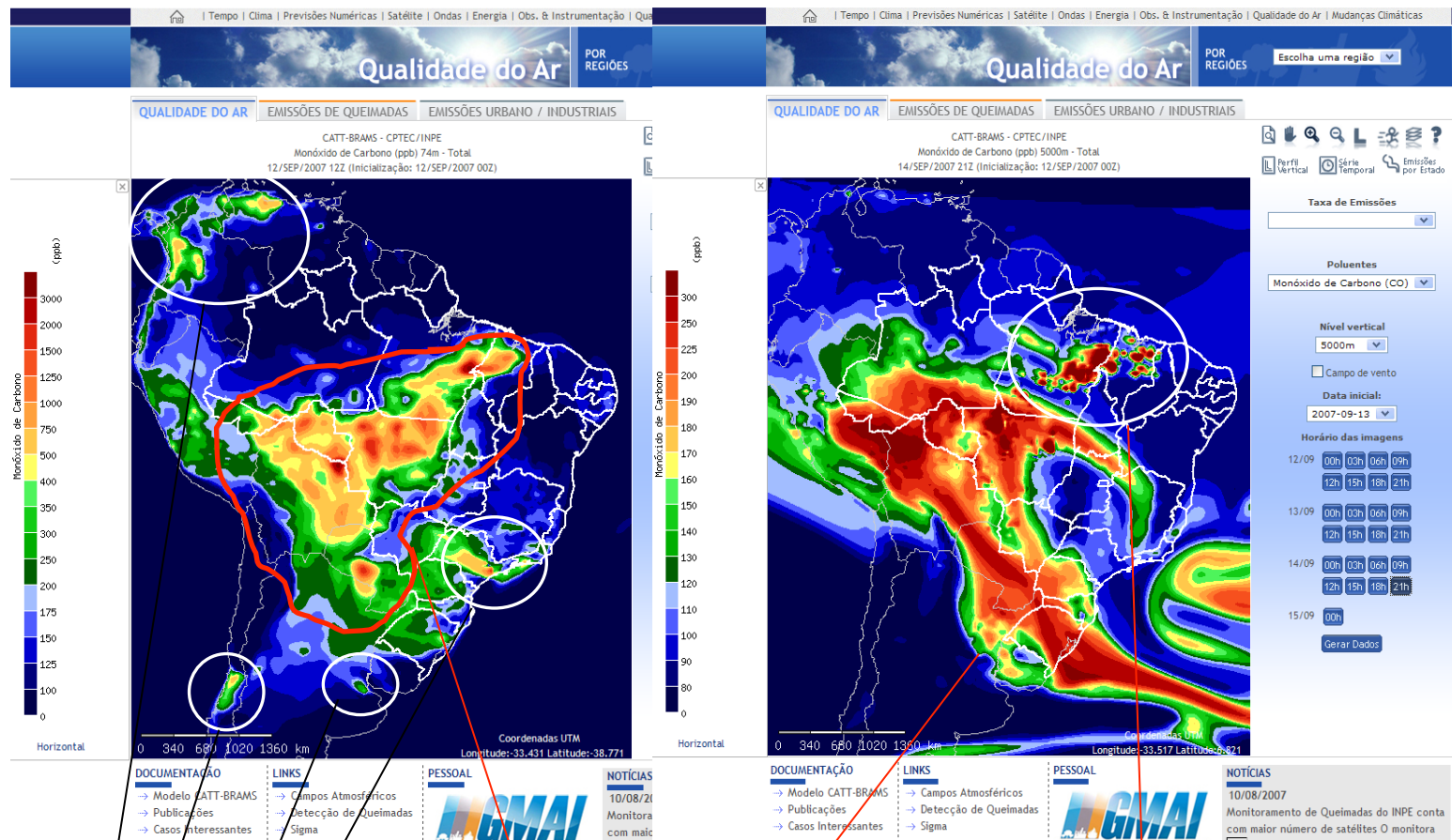
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Real Time Air Quality and Weather Forecasts for South America Since March 2003

Surface level CO (ppbv)

12Z-12SEP2007

500 hPa CO (ppbv)



Mega Cities pollution

Old biomass burning
pollution plumes

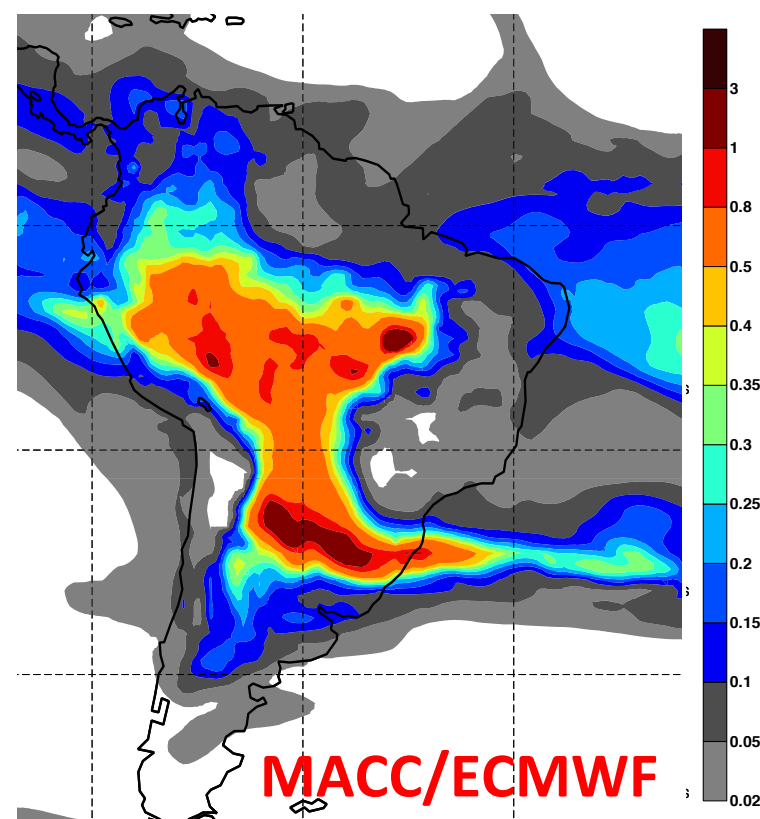
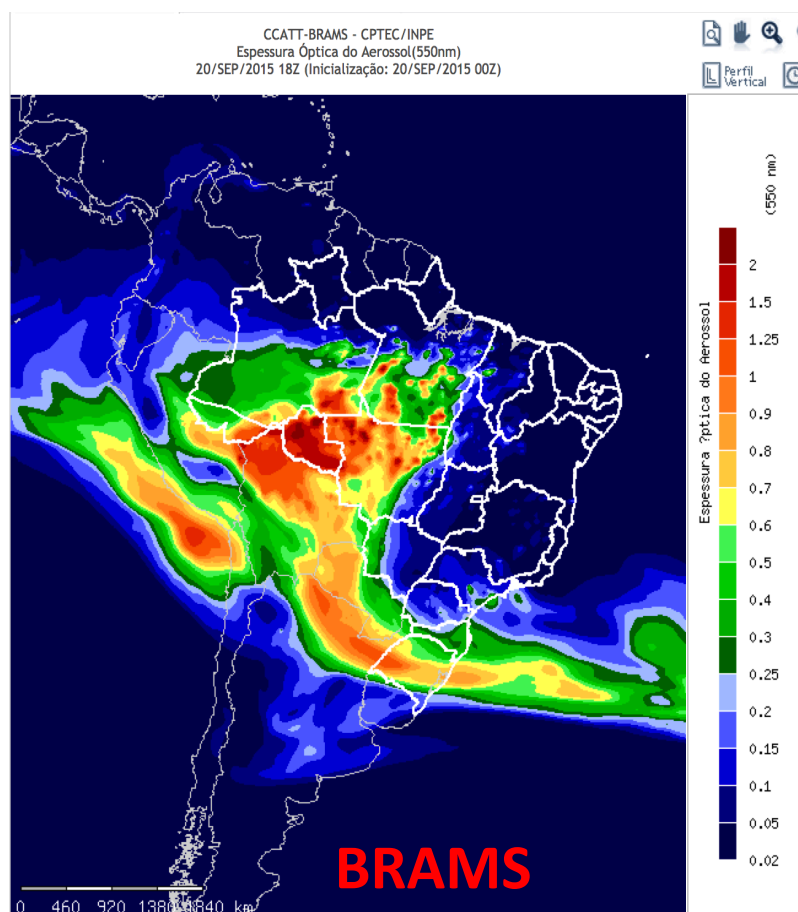
new fresh plumes
injected by pyrocumulus



A visual comparison between BRAMS and MACC/ECMWF forecast

AOD at 550nm

Init: 00UTC 20SEP2015 – FCT 18UTC 20SEP2015



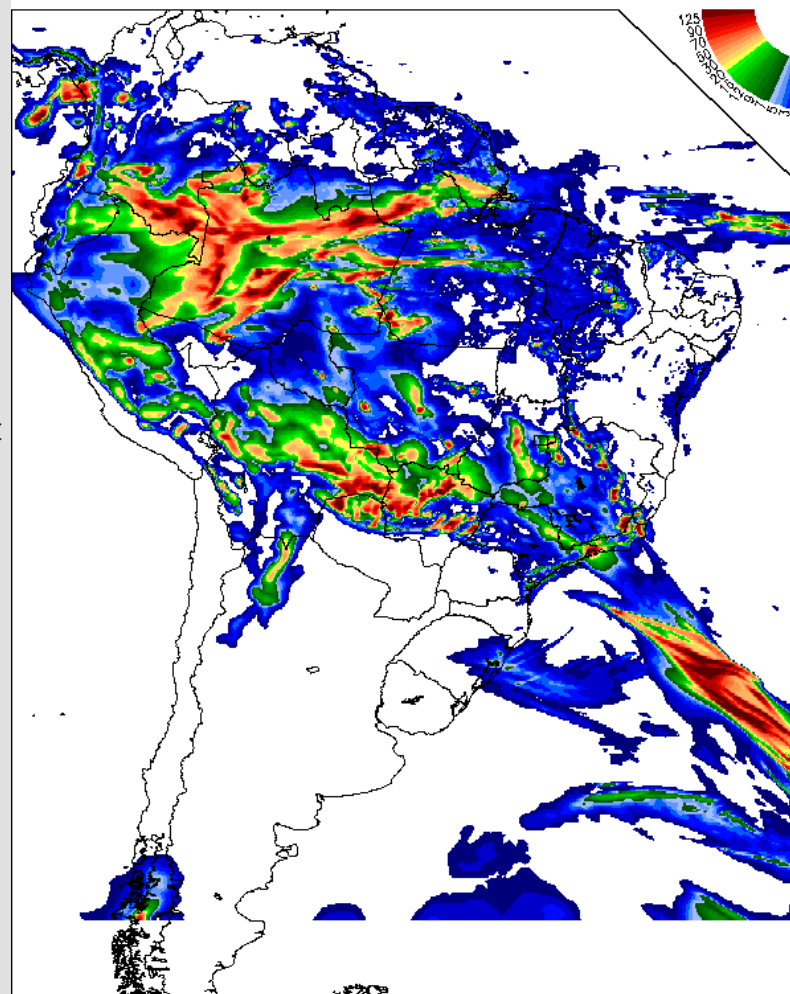
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Regional weather forecast for South America on 5km grid spacing with BRAMS: Since January 2013

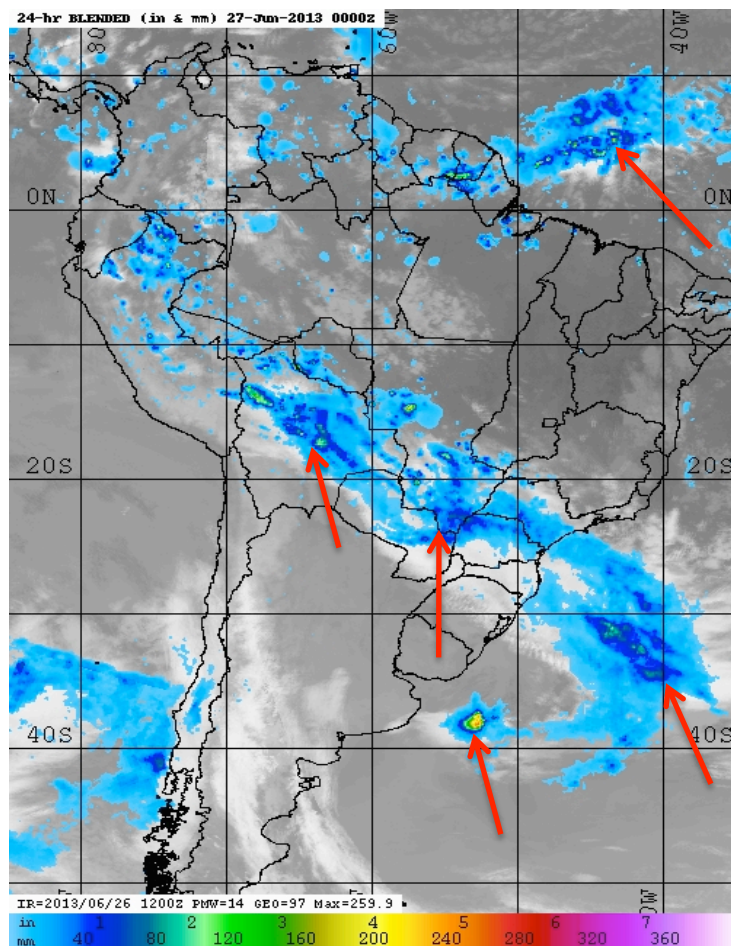
- Grid spacing:
 - Horizontal: 5 km x 5 km.
 - Vertical: 50 to 800 meters
- Time step: 15 seconds
- Model domain:
 - # grid points: $1360 \times 1489 \times 55 \sim 100 \times 10^6$
 - Model top at 21 km height ASL
- Forecast length:
 - 3 ½ days, starting at 00, 12 UTC.
- Execution time :
 - 20 mn on 9600 cores produces 1 day forecast
 - I/O is the biggest bottleneck.
- Physics:
 - MY 2.5 turbulence scheme
 - 2-moments cloud microphysics with 7 water species.
 - CARMA long/short wave radiation scheme
 - Grell and Freitas convective parameterization
 - JULES surface scheme
 - IC/BC from interpolation of GFS model forecast.

BRAMS 05 km
Análise Inicializada em: 22/3/2014, 00 UTC (Sábado) Válida para: 23/3/2014, 00 UTC (Domingo)
Variável: Precipitação Acumulada em 24h
CPTEC/INPE



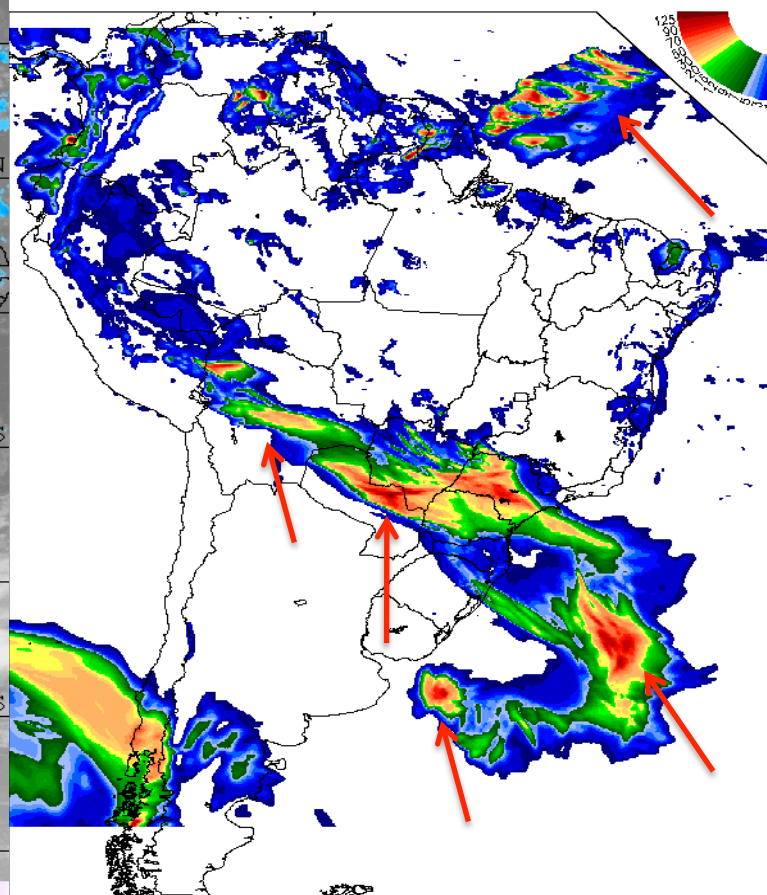
An example of visual comparison of the 24-h accum. rainfall TRMM x BRAMS 5 km Real-time forecast for 00 UTC 27JUN2013

Rainfall estimated by TRMM



BRAMS 5 km Forecast

Análise Inicializada em: 26/6/2013, 00 UTC (Quarta-feira) Válida para: 27/6/2013, 00 UTC (Quinta-feira)
Variável: Precipitação Acumulada em 24h
CPTEC/INPE



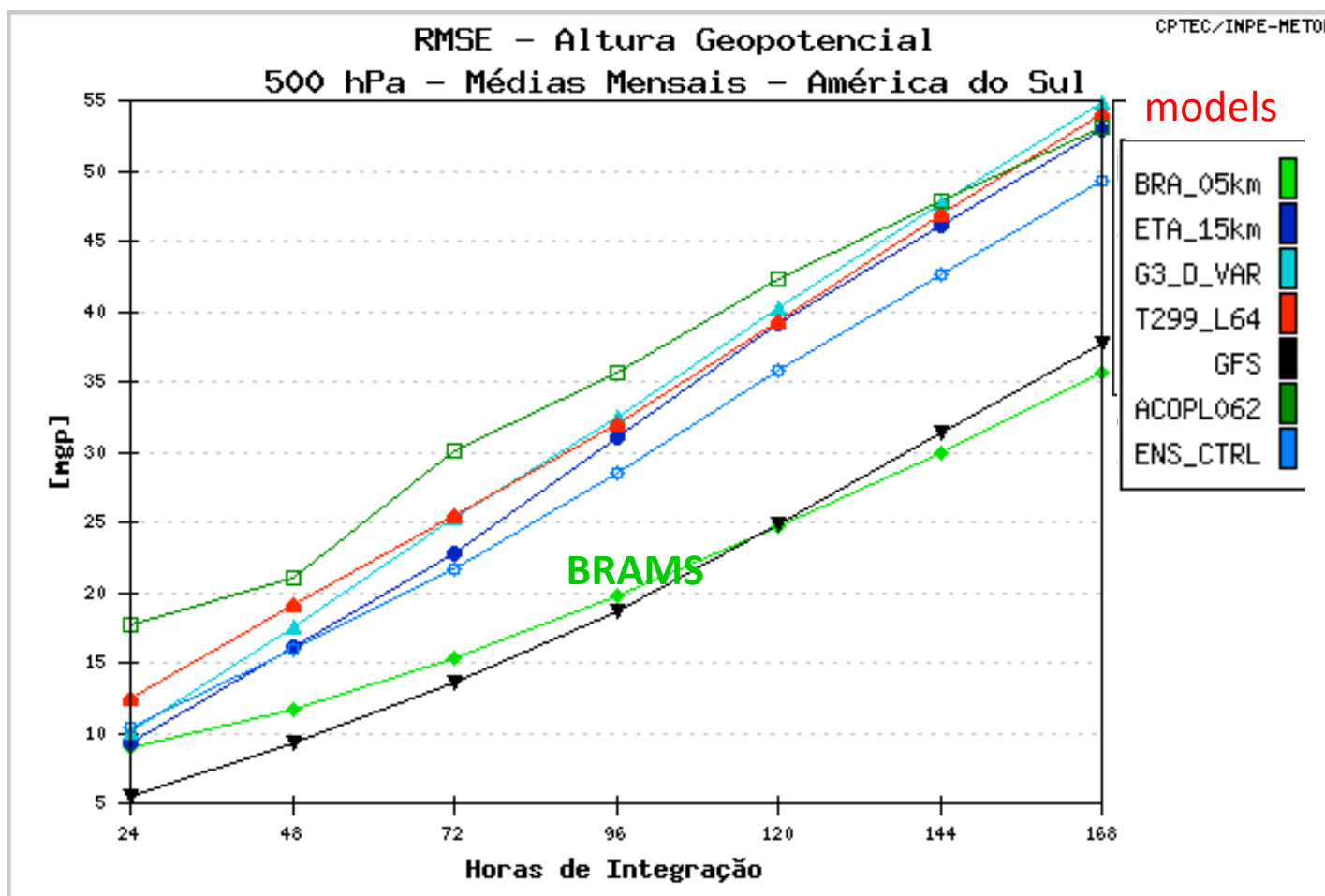


Quantitative Evaluation of BRAMS version 5.0 (Operational implementation in January 2013)



RMSE

Geopotential Height at 500 hPa

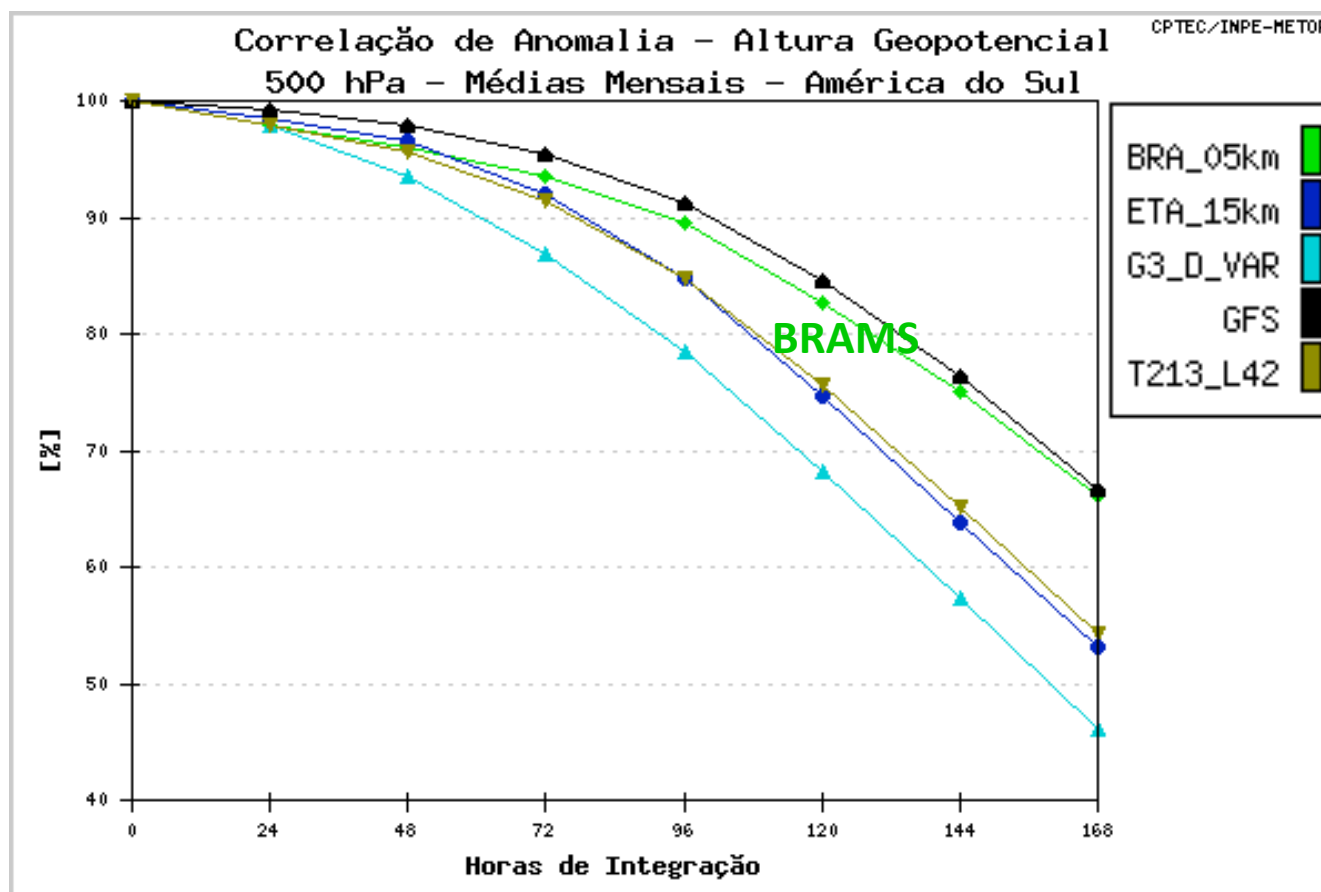


Dados de 2013 a 2015 às 00 e 12 UTC

Avaliação Evaluation from CPTEC/DOP:

avaliacaodemodelos.cptec.inpe.br/anl/skill_regioes/mensal/phps/index.php

Anomaly correlation of geopotential height at 500 hPa

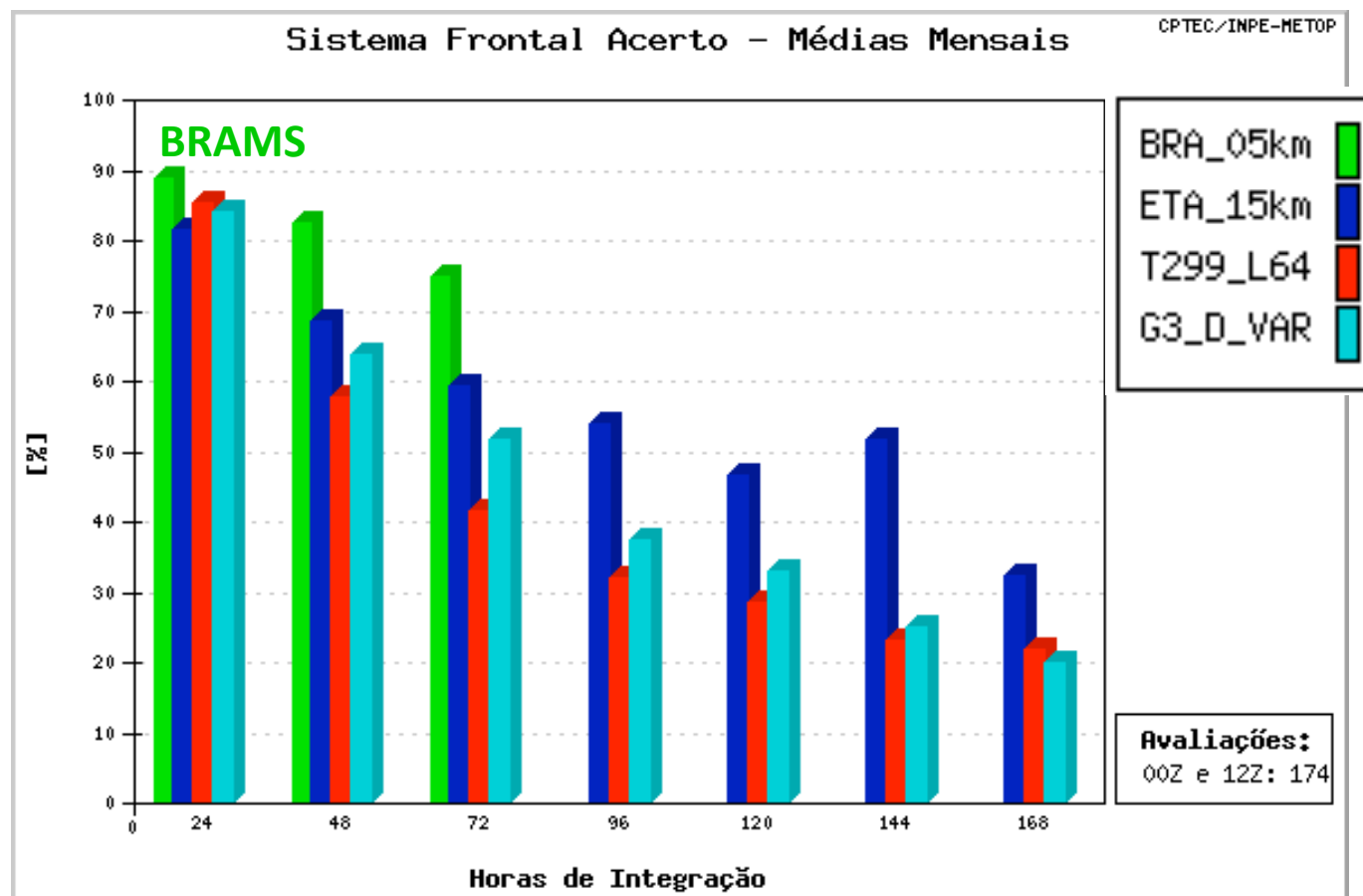


Data from Aug/2013 to July/2015 on 00 and 12 UTC

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Semi-Objective Evaluation Position of Cold-Fronts

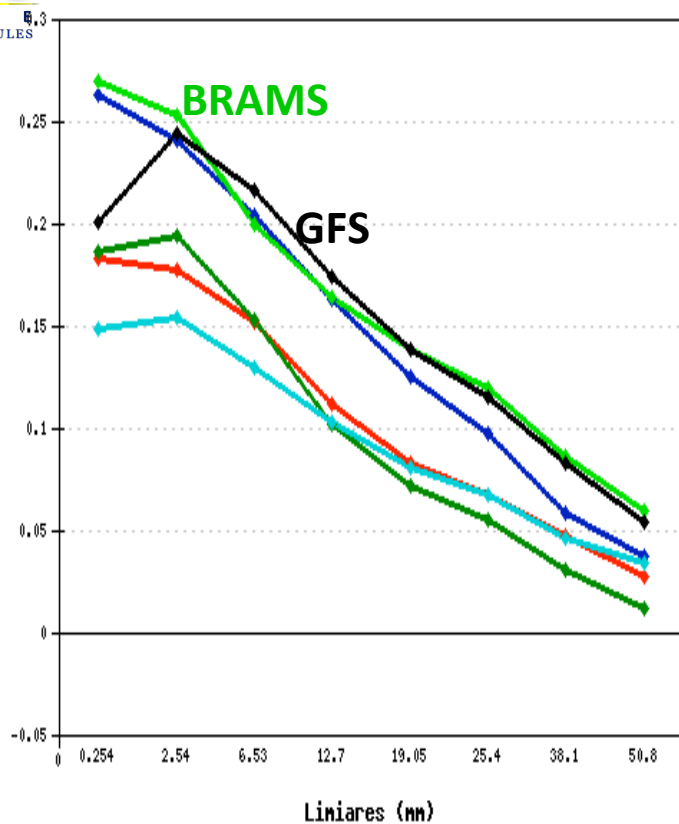


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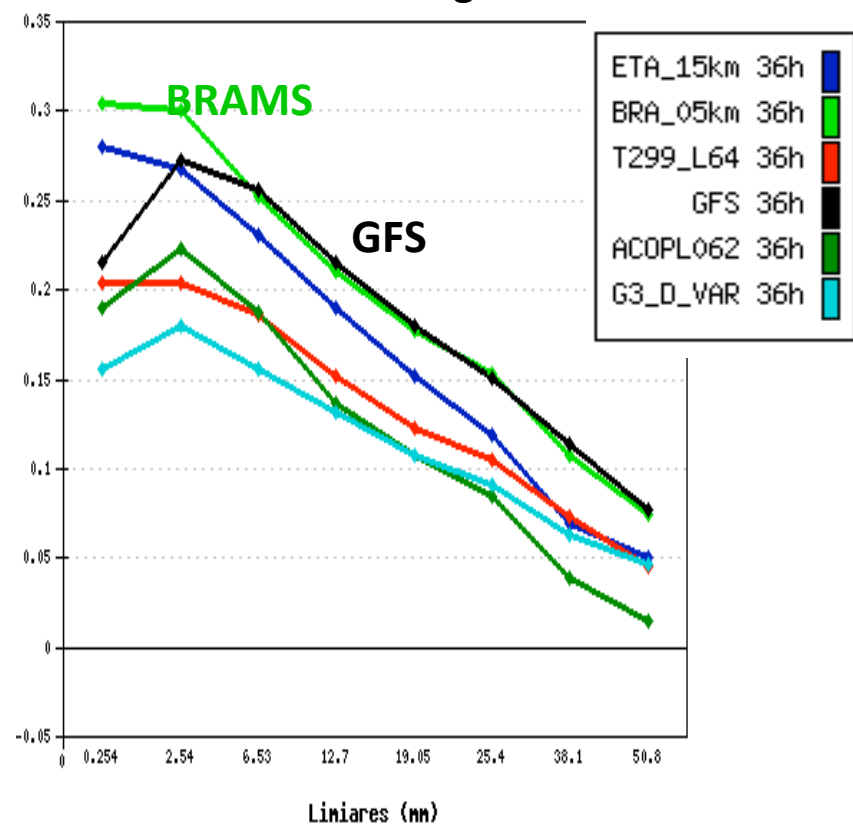
ETS : RAINFALL

36-hour Forecast – Monthly Average

South America



South-Southeast Region of Brazil



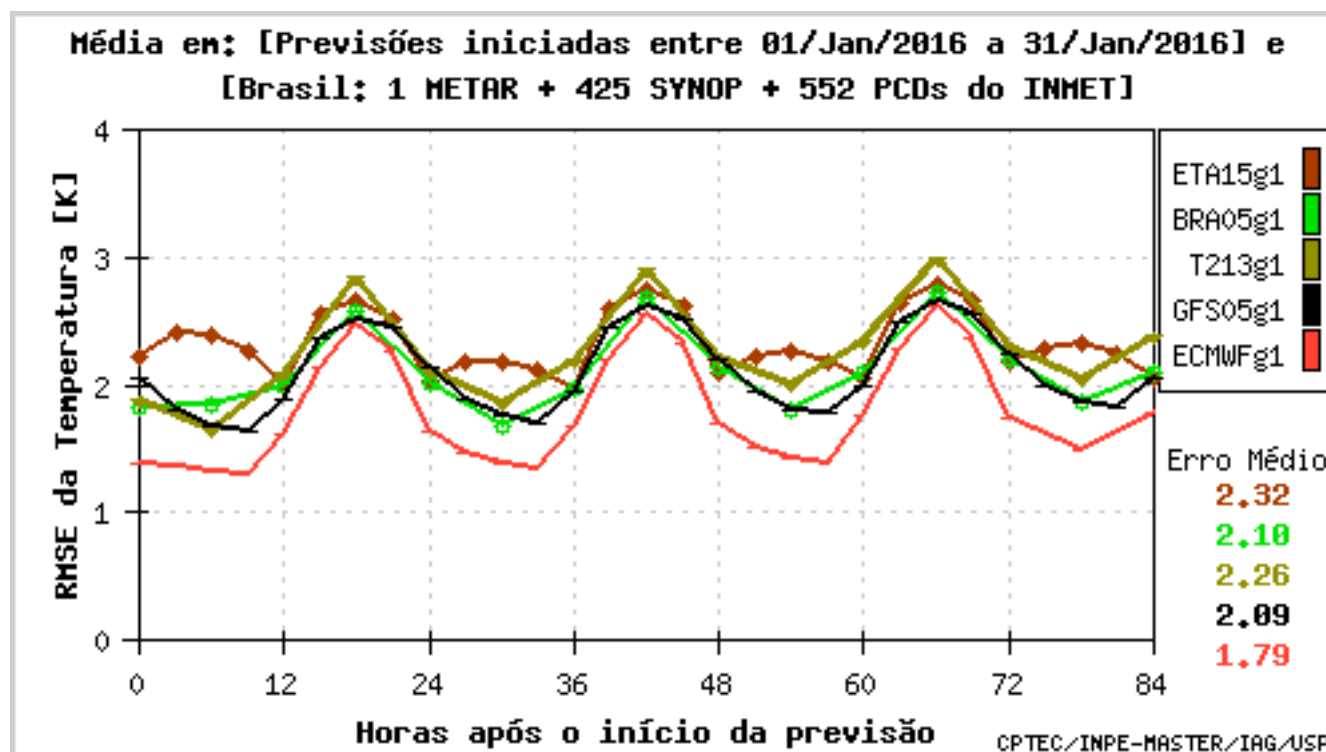
DOP/CPTEC Evaluation

Data from Aug-2013 to July-2015 (2 years) and available at:

<http://avaliacaodemodelos.cptec.inpe.br/obs/qpf/phps/index.php>

2-meter Temperature 84-hour Forecast – Monthly Average for Jan/2016

Evaluation domain: Brazil



BRAMS

DOP/CPTEC Evaluation

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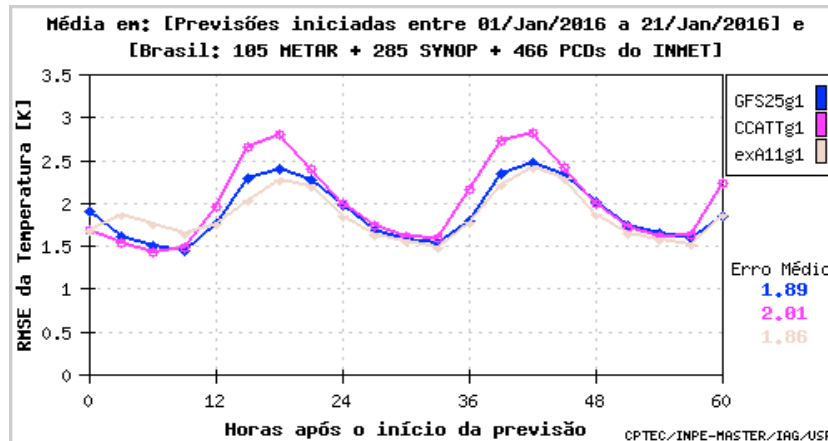


- Now the evaluation of 5.2 for the new operational air quality and weather forecast on 20 km at CPTEC/INPE.

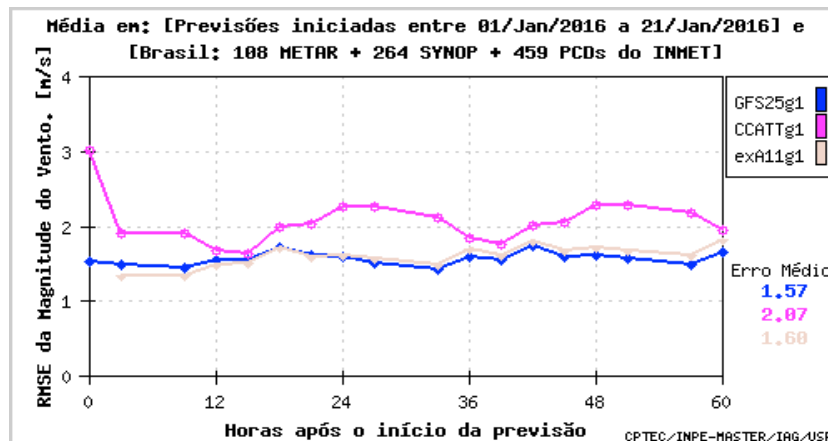


Evaluation of version 5.2 for the new operational air quality and weather forecasts on 20 km

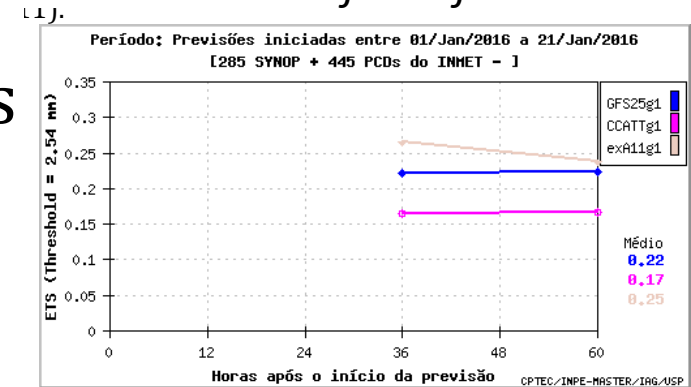
RMSE of 2-m temperature



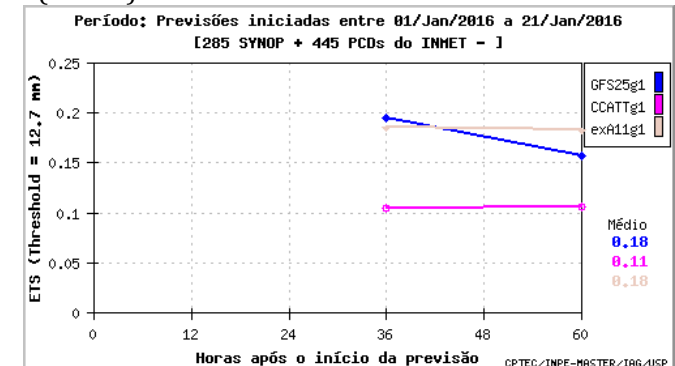
RMSE of 10-m wind magnitude



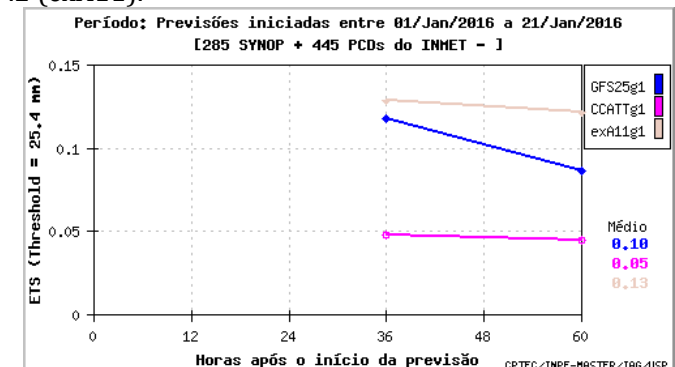
ETS of Rainfall



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2 (exA11).



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2 (exA11).



ção para o limiar de 25.4 mm. Modelos envolvidos GFS
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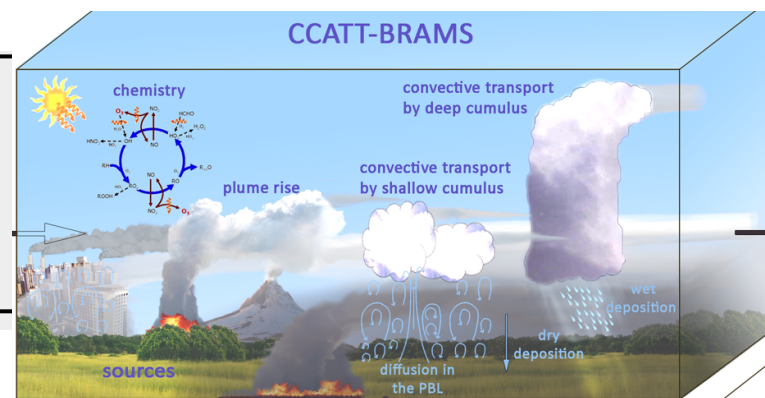


Some aspects of atmospheric chemistry in BRAMS model Version 5.2



Mass continuity equation in BRAMS

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial \bar{s}}{\partial t}}_{\text{mixing ratio tendency}} + \underbrace{\bar{u}_i \frac{\partial \bar{s}}{\partial x_i}}_{\text{grid-scale advection term}} = - \underbrace{\frac{1}{\rho_0} \left(\frac{\partial \rho_0 \bar{u}_i' s'}{\partial x_i} \right)}_{\text{sub-grid transport by the un-resolved flow}} + \underbrace{\bar{Q}_s}_{\text{forcing}}$$



$$Q_s = \left(\frac{\partial \bar{s}}{\partial t} \right)_{chem} + W + R + Q$$

Q : emissions (biomass burning, urban-industrial processes, biogenic, etc...)

W : wet removal

R : dry removal

Solver for chemistry: based on the Rosenbrock's methods with dynamic timestep selection based on prescribed error tolerance and of 2nd and 3rd orders.

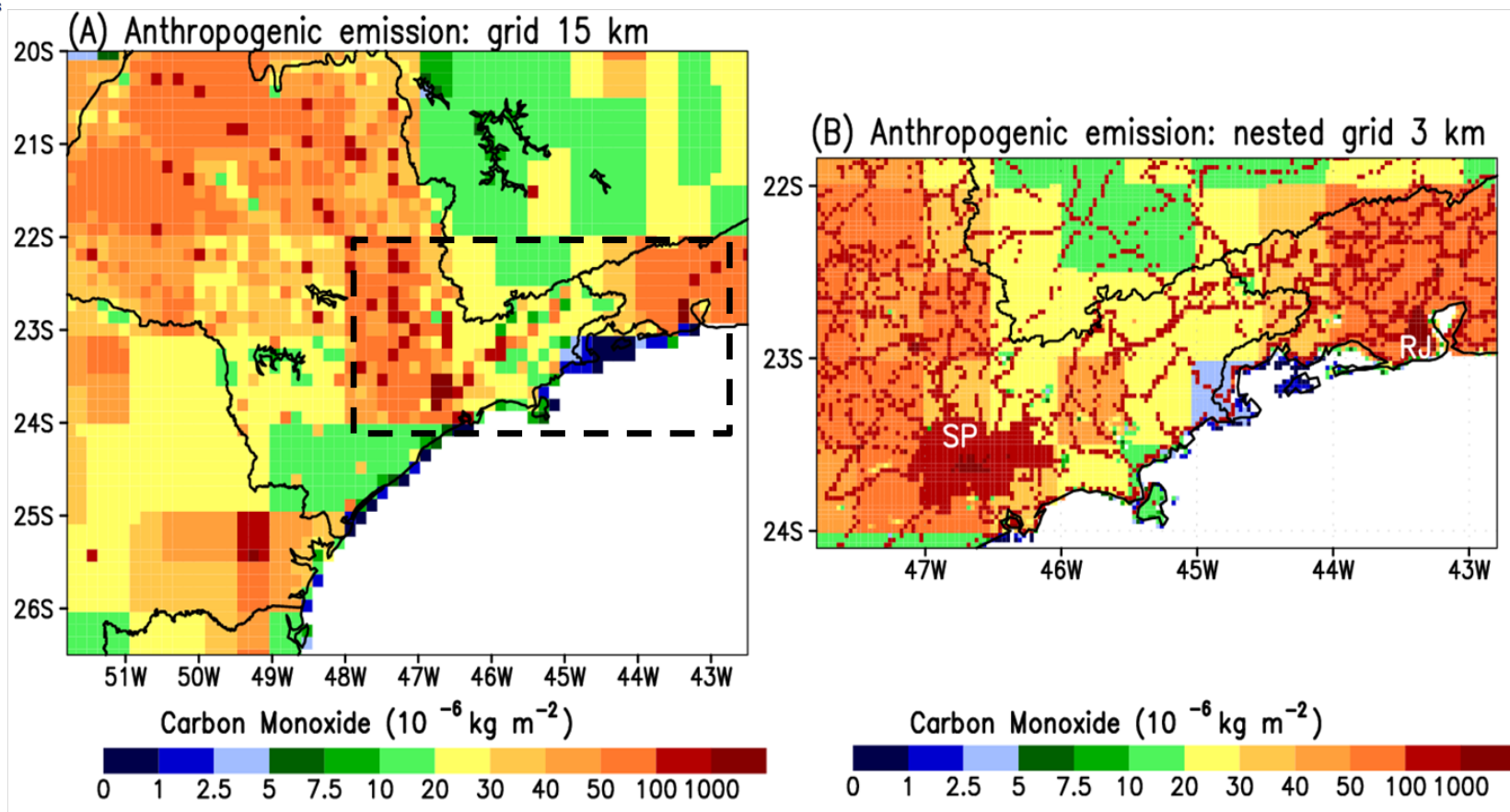
PREP-CHEM-SRC

A preprocessor of trace gas and aerosol emissions fields

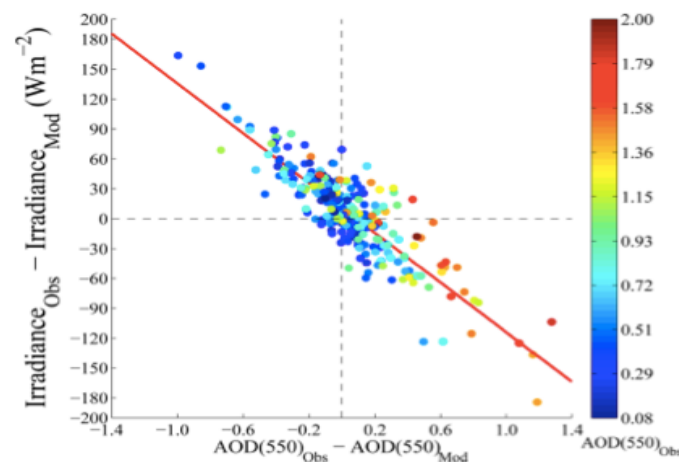
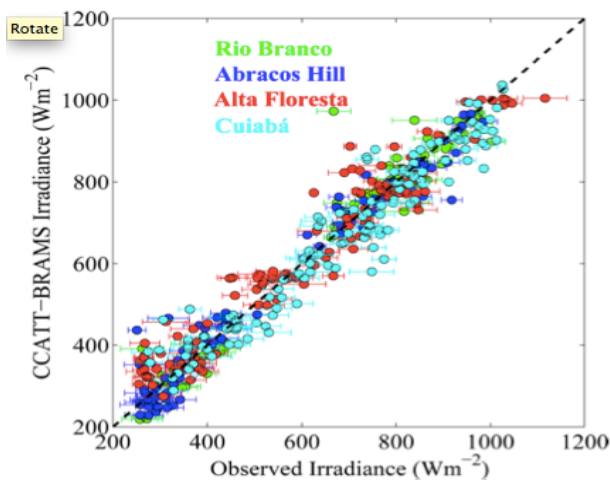
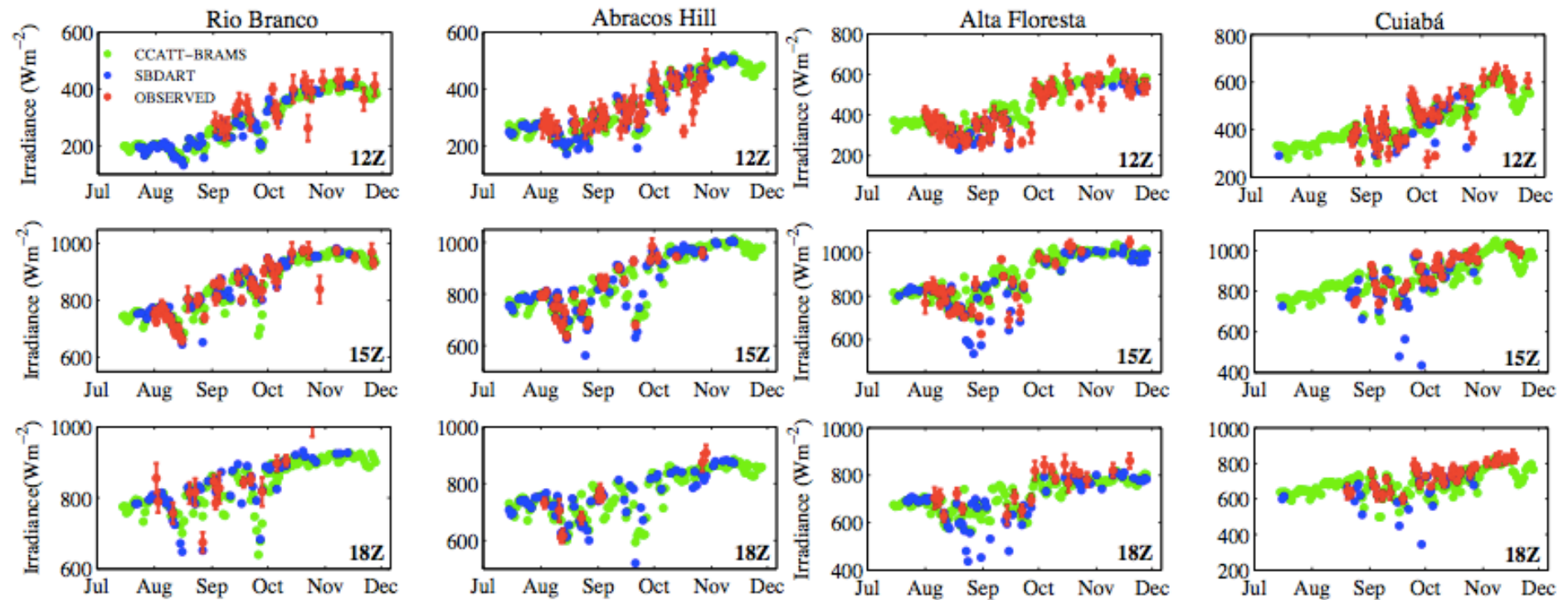
Source	Database	Resolution	Species
Urban Industrial transportation	RETRO	0.5° x 0.5°, monthly	26 chemical species
	EDGARv4.2 , EDGAR-HTAP	0.1° x 0.1°, monthly	CH ₄ , NMVOC, CO, SO ₂ , NO _x , NH ₃ , PM ₁₀ , PM _{2.5} , BC and OC
	S. America inventory by Alonso et al., 2011	Model resolution, monthly	CO, NO _x
Biogenic	GEIA	1° x 1°, monthly	Acetone, C ₂ H ₄ , C ₂ H ₆ , C ₃ H ₆ , C ₃ H ₈ , CO, CH ₃ OH, DMS, NO, isoprene, terpenes and NVOC
	MEGAN (Guenther et al., 2006)	0.5° x 0.5°, monthly	CO, CH ₄ , C ₂ H ₄ , C ₂ H ₆ , C ₃ H ₆ , C ₃ H ₈ , CH ₃ OH, formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, acetone, other ketones, toluene, isoprene, monoterpenes and sesquiterpenes
Biomass Burning	3BEM (Freitas et al., 2005; Longo et al., 2009) 3BEM FRE (Pereira et al., 2009)	Model resolution, daily	110 chemical species (Andreae & Merlet)
	GFED (Giglio et al. (2006) and van der Werf et al. (2006)	1° x 1°, 8 days/monthly	110 chemical species (Andreae & Merlet)
Volcanoes	Mastin et al. (2009)	Pontual (1535 volcanoes)	Ash
	AEROCON (Diehl, 2009; Diehl et al., 2011)		SO ₂
Biofuel use, charcoal prod. and burning of agricultural waste	Yevich and Logan (2003)	1° x 1°, annually	110 chemical species (Andreae & Merlet)

For regional and global models: BRAMS, WRF-Chem (including NASA-Unified WRF), FIM.
Also emission fields on polar-stereo, Lambert-conformal, Mercator, lat-lon, gaussian grids.

Global - Regional – Local Emissions Inventories



Solar flux model x observation



Aerosol optical depth is the major source of uncertainty when it comes to modeling of solar irradiance at the surface



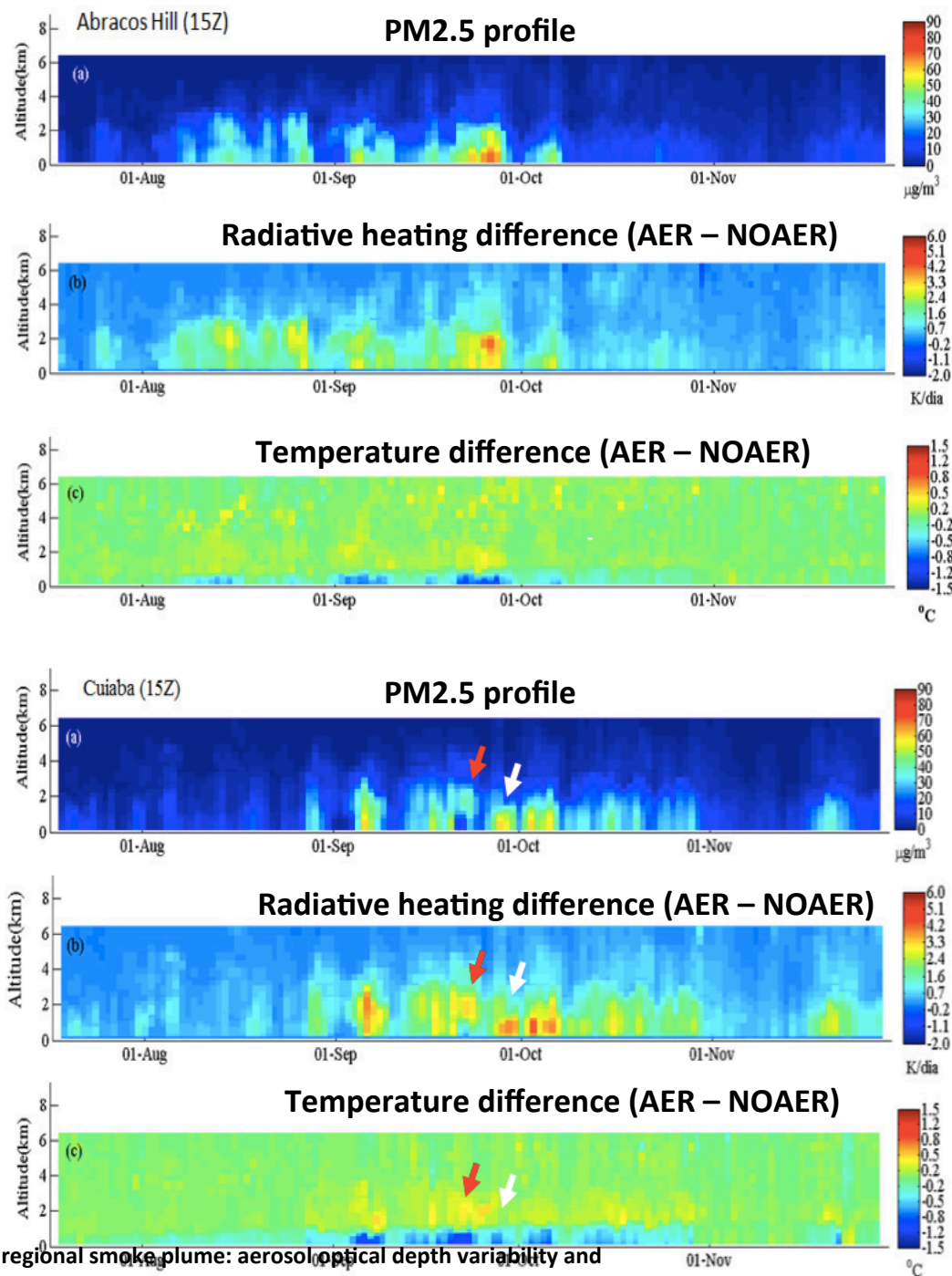
Aerosols Direct Radiative Effect: impact of vertical distribution

Top PBL: +0.5 °C
Near surface:
- (0.5 to 1.5) °C

Top PBL: +0.5 °C
Near surface:
- (1.5) °C

Top PBL: +0.3
Near surface:
- (0.5) °C

Rosário, N. E., Longo, K. M., Freitas, S. R., et al.: Modeling South America regional smoke plume: aerosol optical depth variability and shortwave surface forcing. Atmos. Chem. Phys. 13, 2923, 2013.

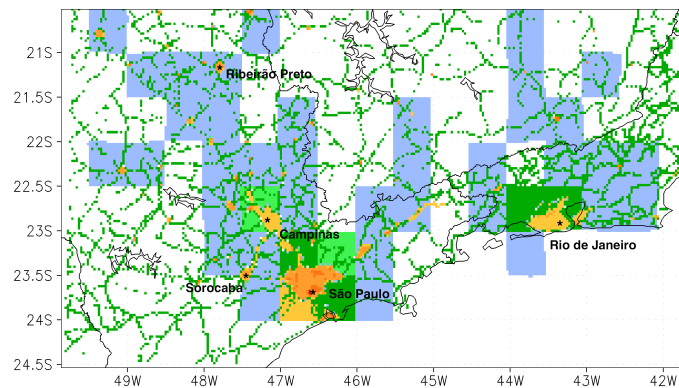
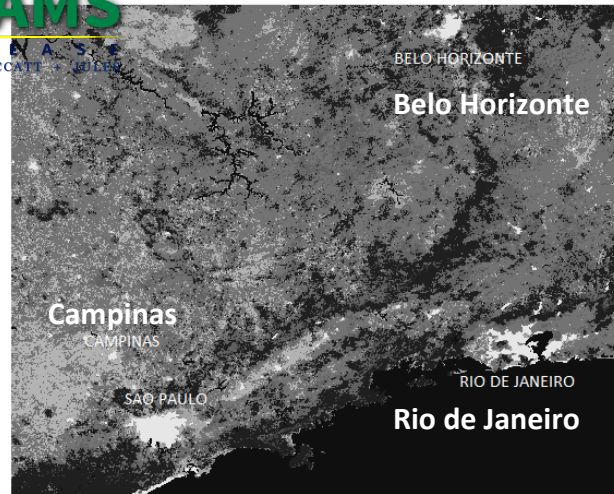




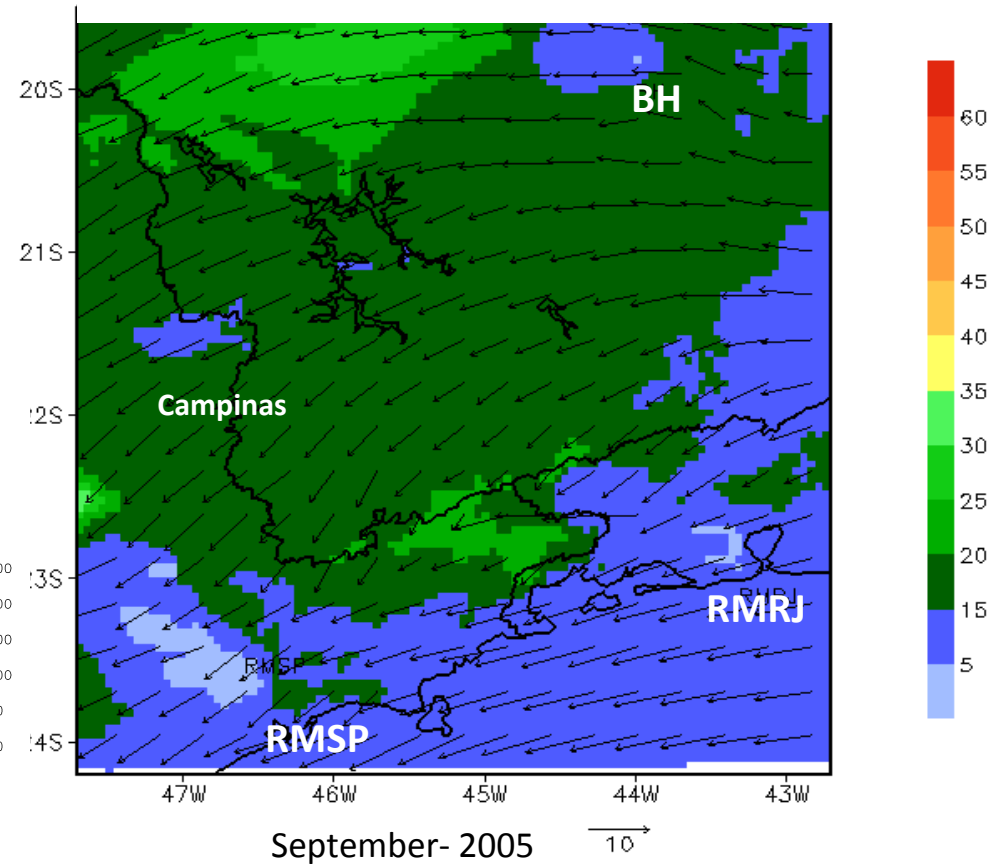
BRAMS

RELEASE
BRAMS + CCATT + URBAN

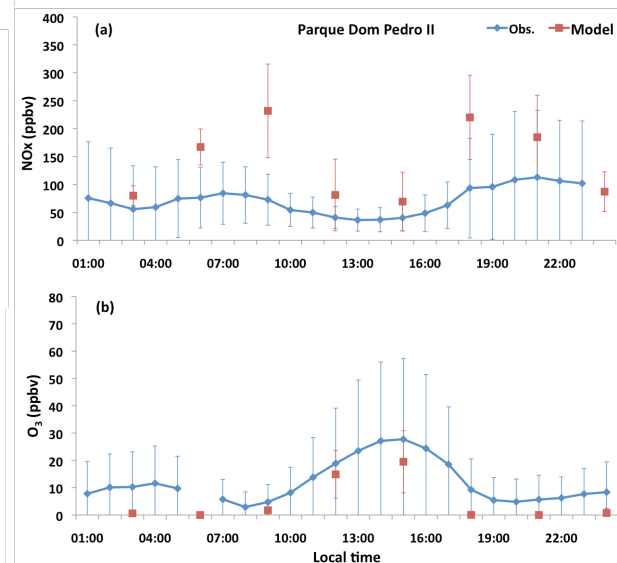
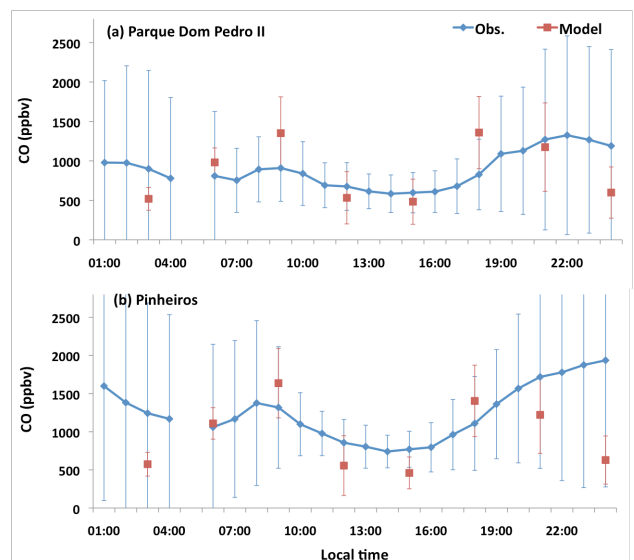
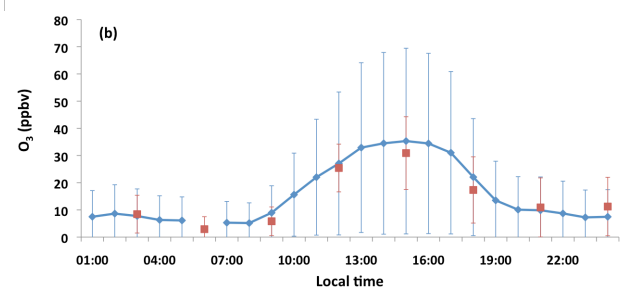
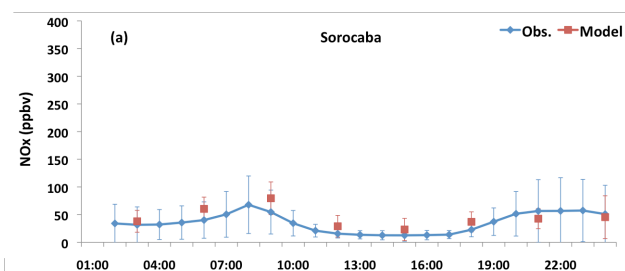
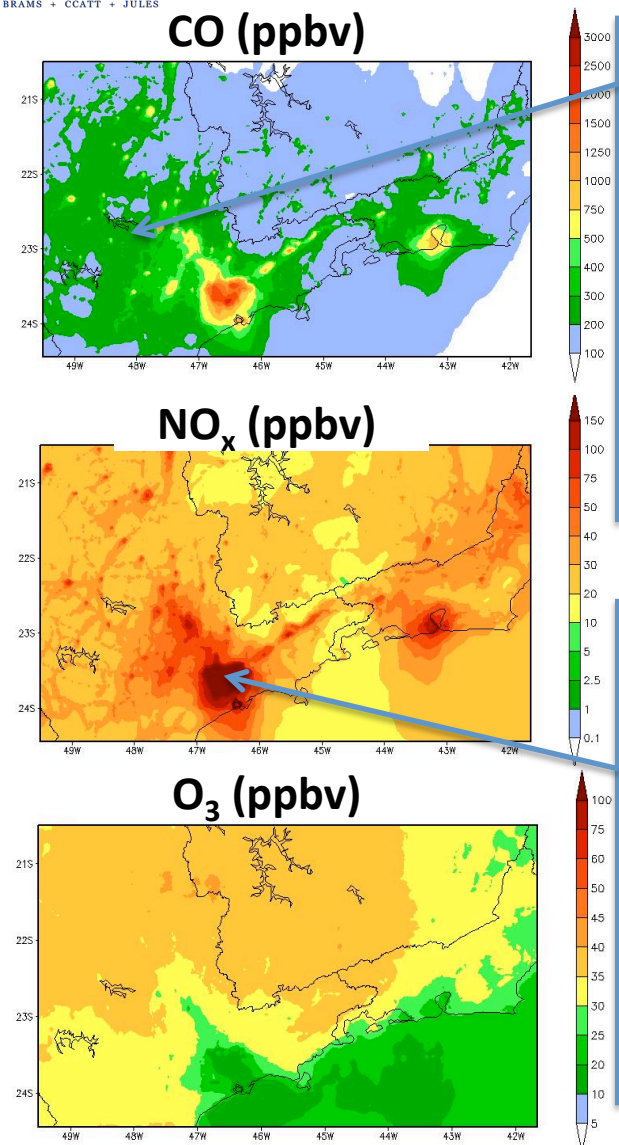
High resolution air quality forecast for the main urban areas of Brazil



Near surface Ozone (ppbv)



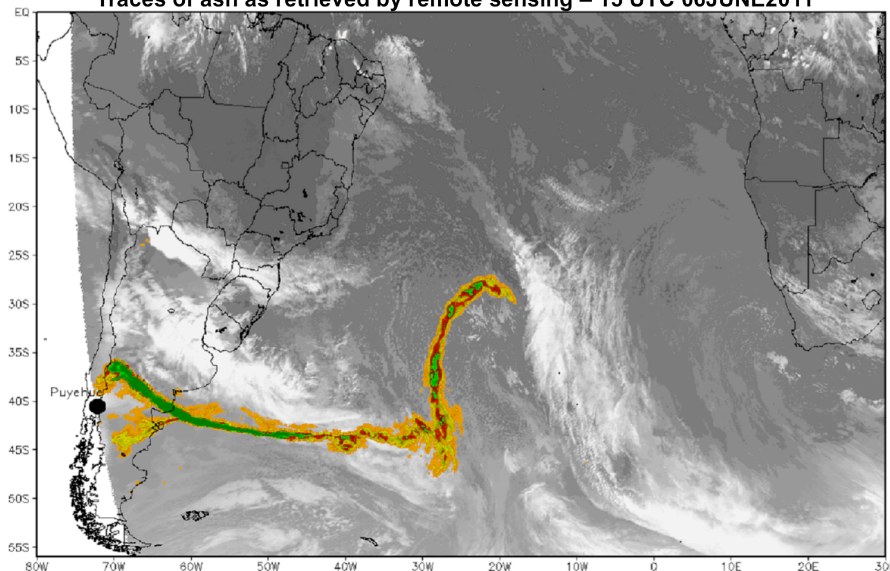
High resolution urban air quality forecast



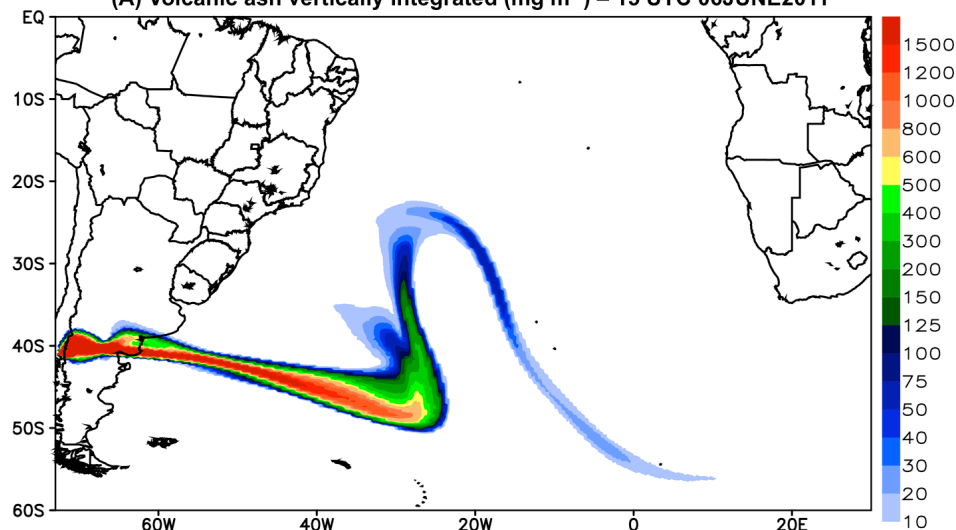
Longo, K M., S. R. Freitas, M. Pirre, et al. The chemistry CATT-BRAMS model (CCATT-BRAMS 4.5): a regional atmospheric model system for integrated air quality and weather forecasting and research. Geosci. Model Dev., 6, 1389-1405, 2013.

Monitoring the transport and dispersion of volcanic ash

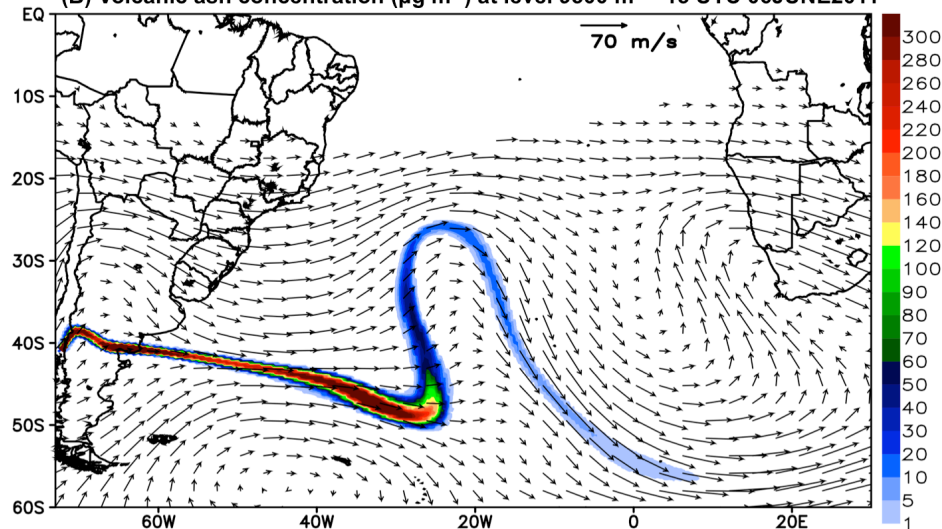
Traces of ash as retrieved by remote sensing – 15 UTC 06JUNE2011



(A) Volcanic ash vertically integrated (mg m^{-2}) – 15 UTC 06JUNE2011



(B) Volcanic ash concentration ($\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$) at level 9500 m – 15 UTC 06JUNE2011





Some aspects of physical parameterizations and dynamics of BRAMS model Version 5.2





This version of BRAMS contains the additional following physical parameterizations

1. Radiation:

- CARMA (Toon et al., 1988, Rosário et al 2013) and RRTMG (Iacono et al., 2008) schemes for long- and short-wave, including aerosols effects and coupled with microphysics and convection schemes.

2. Microphysics:

- a double moment from RAMS CSU version,
- Thompson single moment in cloud liquid water and
- Thompson double moment in cloud liquid water and aerosol aware (Thompson and Eidhammer, 2014).

3. Convection schemes:

- Souza (1999) for shallow convection,
- Grell and Deveny (2002) for deep convection and
- Grell and Freitas (2014) scale and aerosol aware for deep and shallow convection including convective transport and wet removal of tracers.

4. Turbulence parameterizations:

- Nakanishi & Nino (2004) TKE based formulation,
- Taylor's theory based formulation (Campos Velho, 1998)



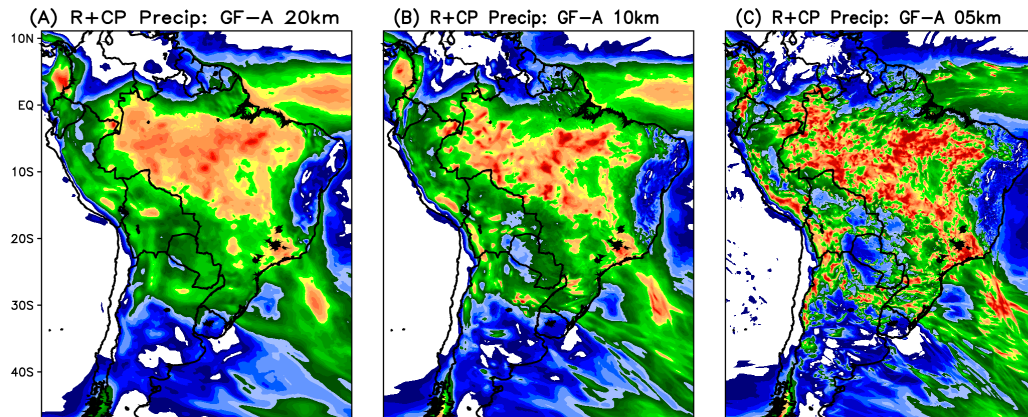


Scale-Aware Physics

Addressing the grey-zone problem for deep convection

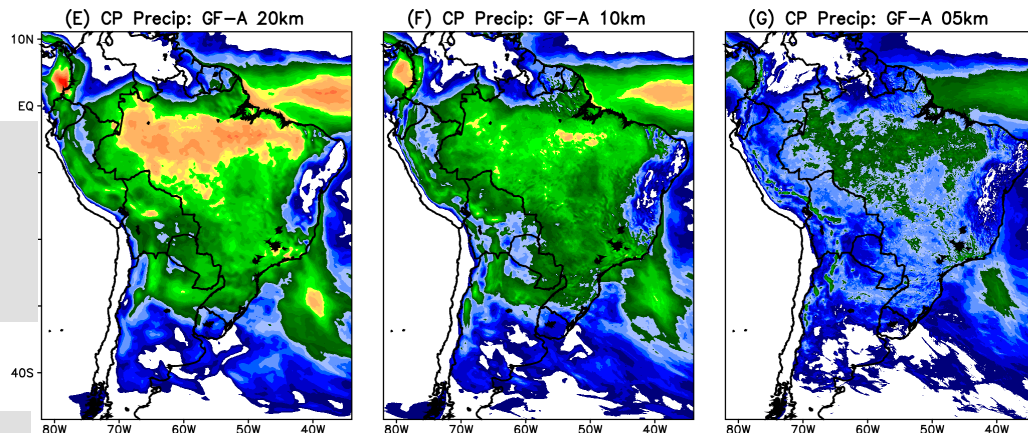
BRAMS Simulations on 20, 10 and 5 km grid spacing

Total 24h
rainfall:
resolved
+
from the
convective
parameterization



Mean rainfall: 4.3 mm/day 4.1 mm/day 4.5 mm/day

24 h Rainfall: only
from the
convective
parameterization



Mean rainfall: 3.5 mm/day 2.5 mm/day 1.0 mm/day

20km

10km

05km

with scale dependence

Results are
model average
for Jan 2013 -
15 days w/
36horas FCT

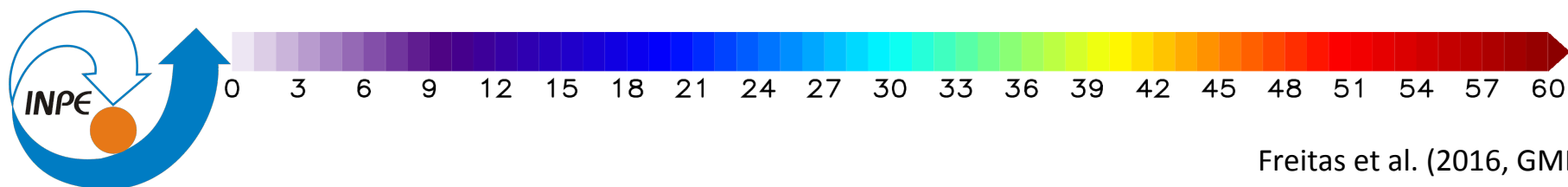
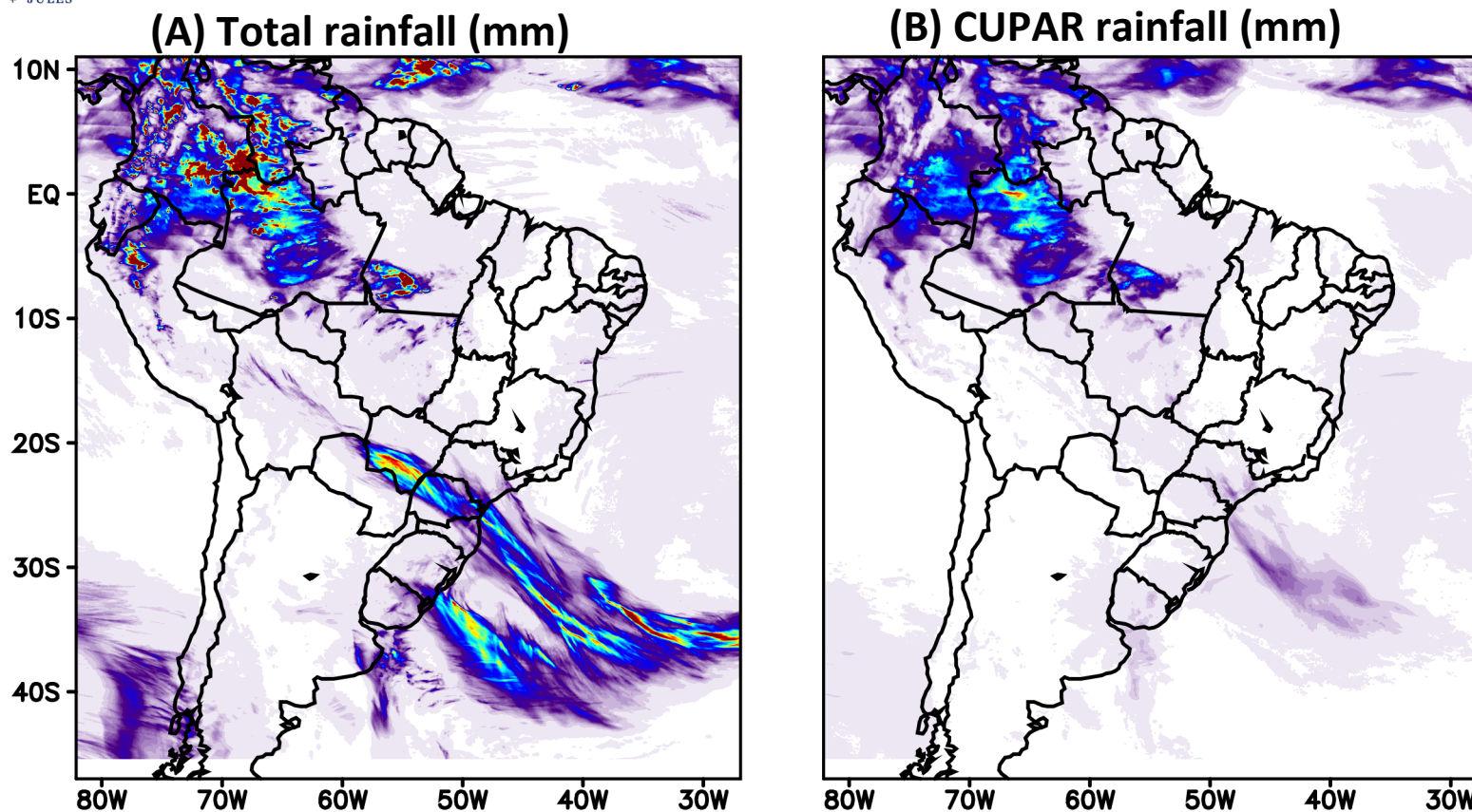
(Grell and Freitas, 2014, ACP)



An example of real-time performance of BRAMS 5.2

5 km grid spacing

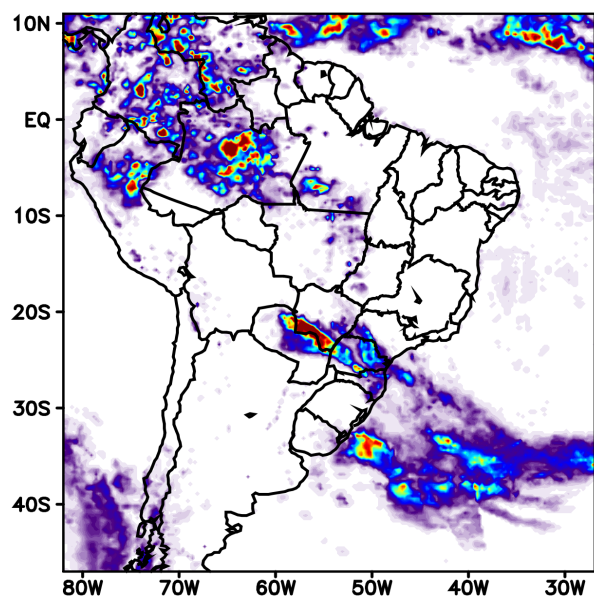
24-hour accumulated rainfall for 12 October 2015



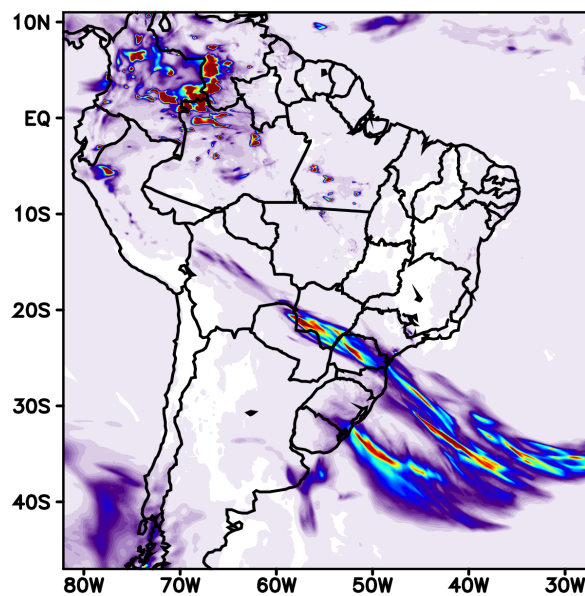
An example of the model performance for the new operation at 5 km grid spacing

BRAMS model forecast of 24-hour accumulated precipitation for 12 October 2015 and on 5 km grid spacing.

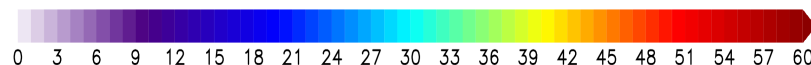
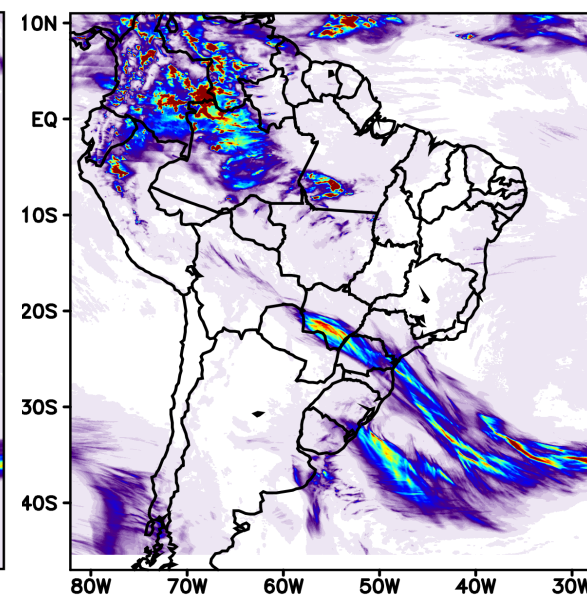
(A) TRMM rainfall (mm)



**(B) Model rainfall (mm)
2014 GF scheme**



**(C) Model rainfall (mm)
NEW GF scheme**



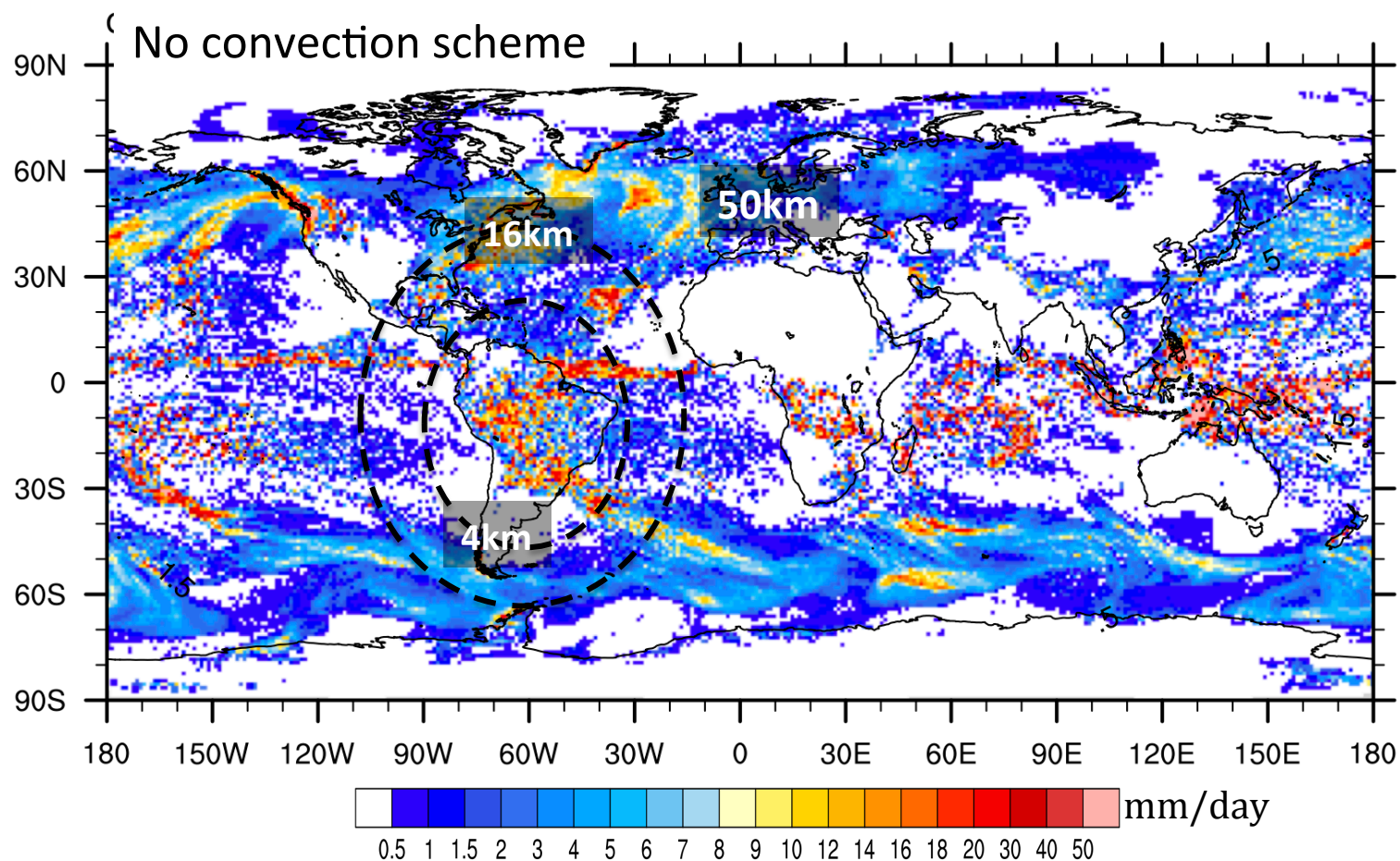
Application of Grell-Freitas scheme in global simulations with variable resolution:

MPAS model

Simulated total precipitation

50 – 3 km variable resolution mesh – 3 days FCT

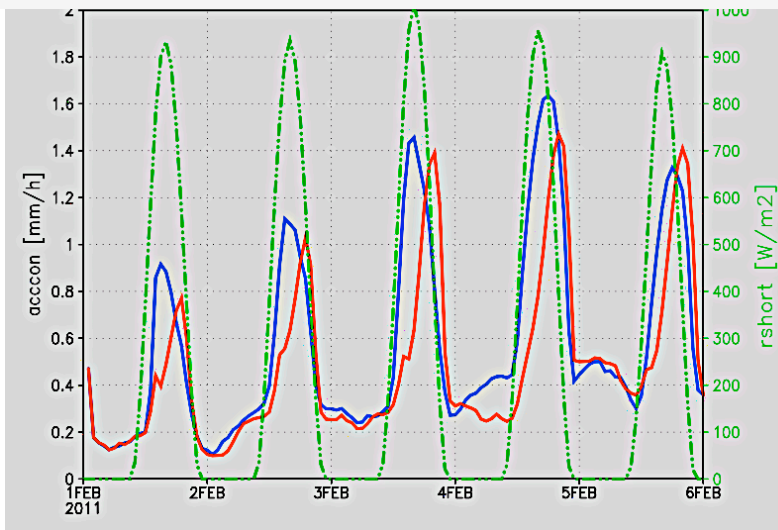
No convection : only cloud microphysics
Convection scheme : GF with and without scale dependence



Accumulated precipitation from 00 UTC 11 and 00 UTC 14 January 2014

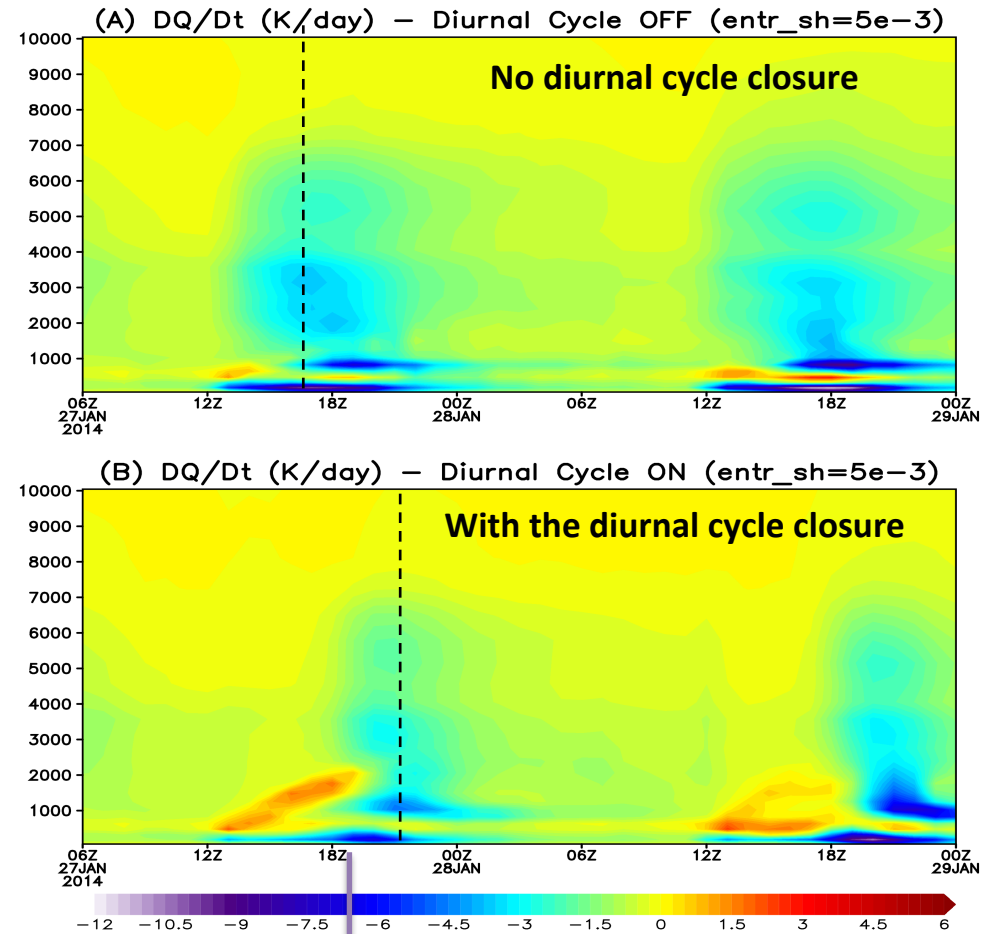
Improved diurnal cycle of deep convection over the Amazonia: Applying the new closure from P. Bechtold for non-equilibrium convection

Convective Precipitation (mm/h)



- 5 days forecast of CUPAR precipitation
- Model grid spacing: 27 km
- Area average over Amazon Basin
- BLUE = diurnal cycle closure OFF
- RED = diurnal cycle closure ON
- GREEN = surface solar radiation

water vapor tendency (K/day)



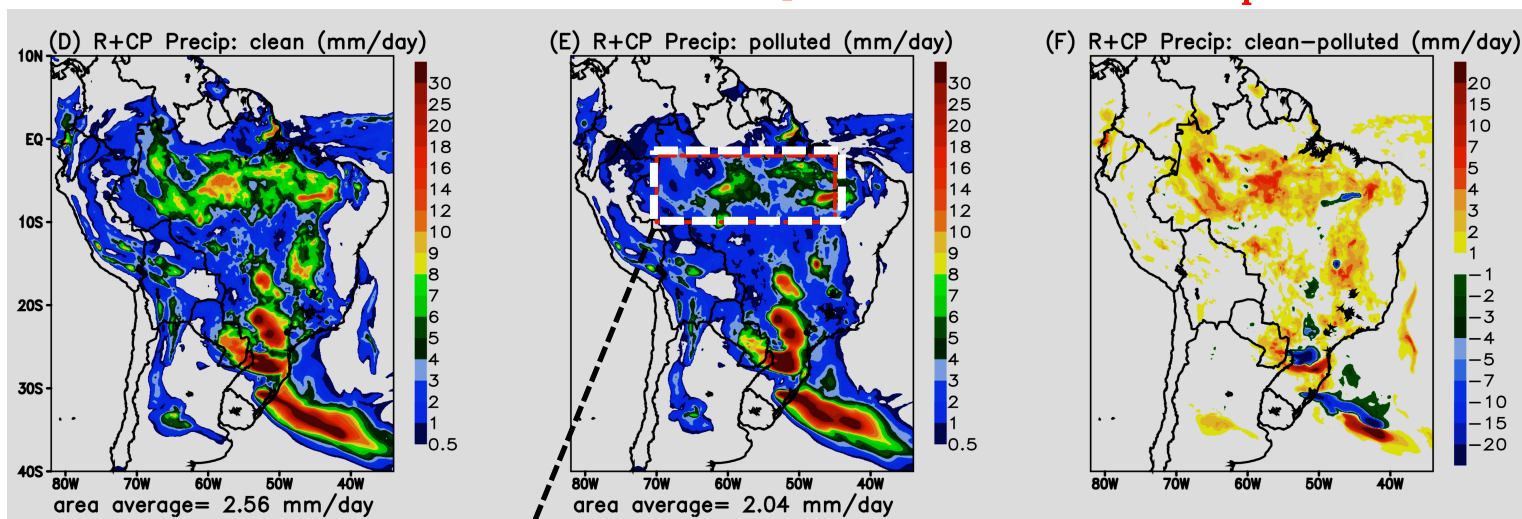
**Better transition from shallow to
deep convection regimes**

Including aerosol indirect effects in convective parameterization clean / polluted – dx 20 km – 24h accumulated (mm)

total rainfall: clean

total rainfall: polluted

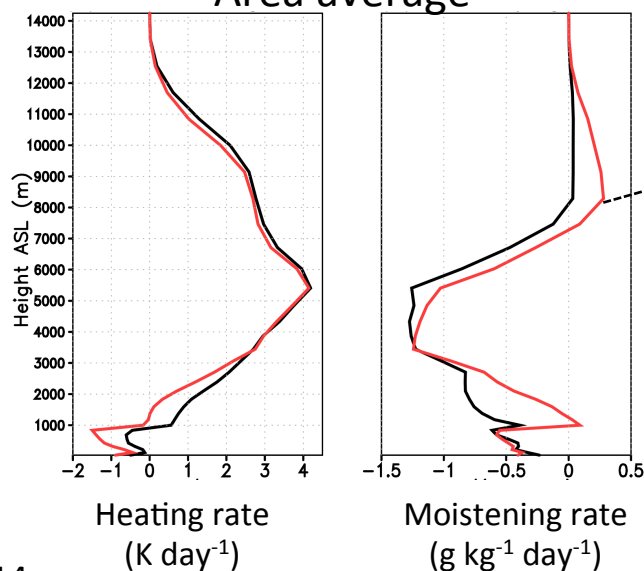
clean - polluted



Area average

Clean:
CCN 150 cm^{-3}

Polluted
CCN 3000 cm^{-3}





Resolved Precipitation simulation applying more accurate transport schemes:

Monotonic, low numerical diffusion advection scheme

- a) Monotonic (positive-definite, non-oscillatory, no under- or overshoots)
- b) Mass conservative
- c) Low numerical diffusion
- d) Also improves the preservation of non-linear tracers correlation of the original RAMS advection scheme
- e) multi-component mass conservation.





- Current/planned developments and research





New time integration schemes and high order advection operators for BRAMS model

- Currently, BRAMS employs the horizontally-explicit /vertically-implicit technique to integrate in time its dynamic core
- Additionally, split-explicit time scheme is used to integrate the slow and fast modes.
- BRAMS applies the leapfrog time scheme with Asselin filter which allied with the 2nd order advection scheme, gives a 1st order global accuracy.
- The objective of this work is to implement an additional time integration scheme and advection operator which gives at least 2nd order global accuracy.

Time integration	Status	Advection operator	Status
RK3: Runge-Kutta (Wicker and Skamarock,2002; Baldauf, 2008, 2010)	Serial run only	The polynomial flux specification (Wicker and Skamarock,2002,) with 3 rd and 5 th order of spatial approximations. Additionally, the <i>Flux Correct Transport</i> (FCT, Skamarock, 2006)	Serial run only
ABM3: Adams-Bashforth-Moulton 3 rd order (Wicker, 2009)	Serial run only	Weight Essentially Non-Oscillatory (WENO, Jiang and Shu, 1996; Baba and Takahashi, 2013)	Not yet
ABM3+RK2 (Freitas, in prep.)	Not yet	Suresh and Huynh (1997). This scheme is similar to piecewise parabolic method with a limiting approach which preserves both monotonicity and accuracy.	Not yet
SSP-RK (Durran, 2010)	Not yet	-	-



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Data Assimilation

- 3D-VAR Global Statistical Interpolation
- Participants:
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 - P. Silva Dias (USP)
 - M. Pagowski (ESRL/NOAA)
 - H. Campos Velho (LAC/INPE, to be invited)
 - S. Freitas (INPE - NASA)

Fire Spreading model

- Ph.D. thesis of Isilda Menezes (Univ. Évora), 2016
- In collaboration with ICAAM / Portugal

MATRIX Aerosol Model

- K. Longo, A. Santos, L. Flávio, M. Sanchez and S. Freitas





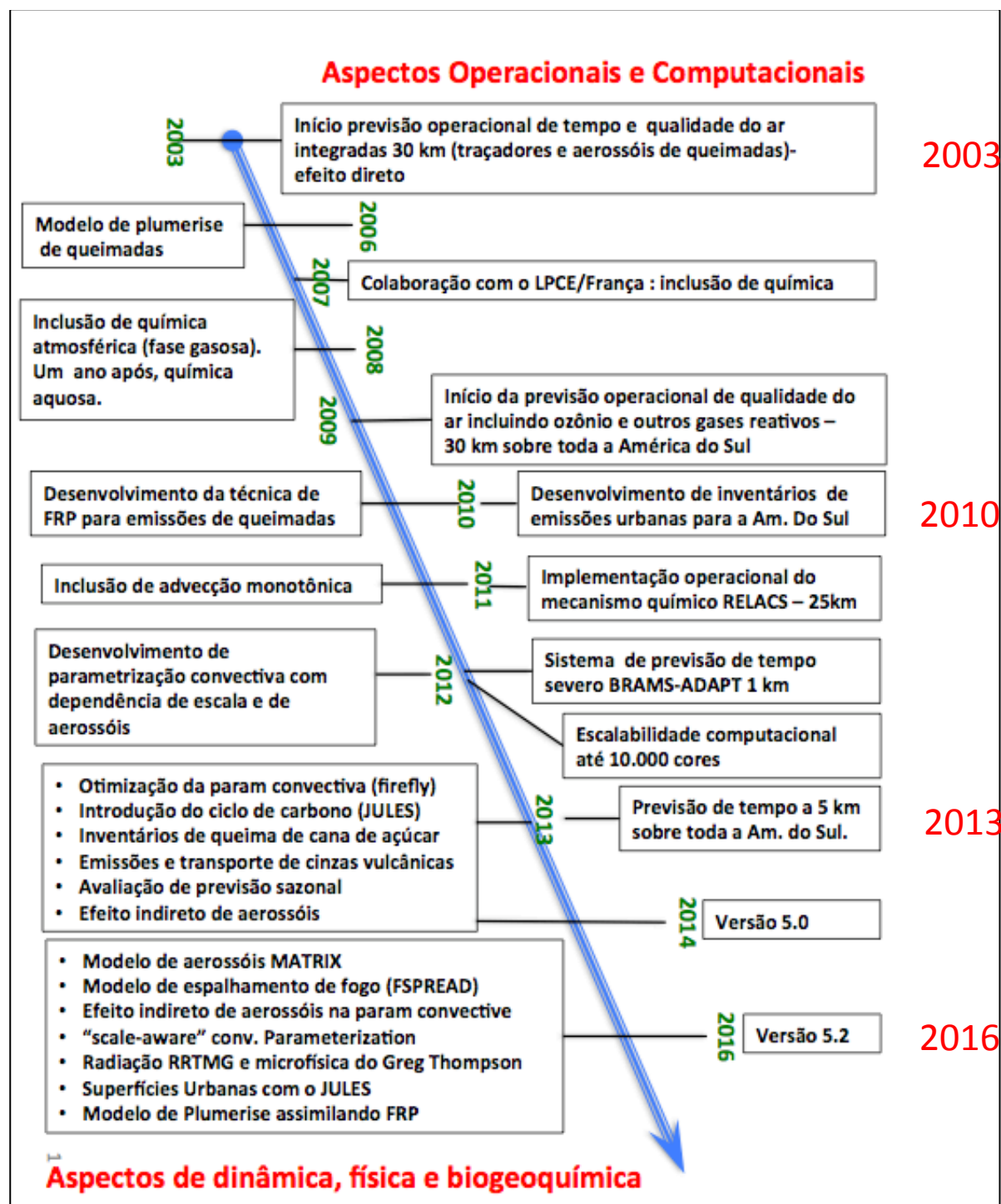
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a 13 years history





BRAMS developments and implementations at CPTEC/INPE: a 13 years history





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- CNPq (*projetos regulares, bolsas*)
- Capes (*bolsas*)
- FAPESP (*projetos regulares, bolsas*)
- Min. da Saúde
- IBAMA
- IAI
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- INTEL



Publications, capacity building, operational products: period 2003 - 2016

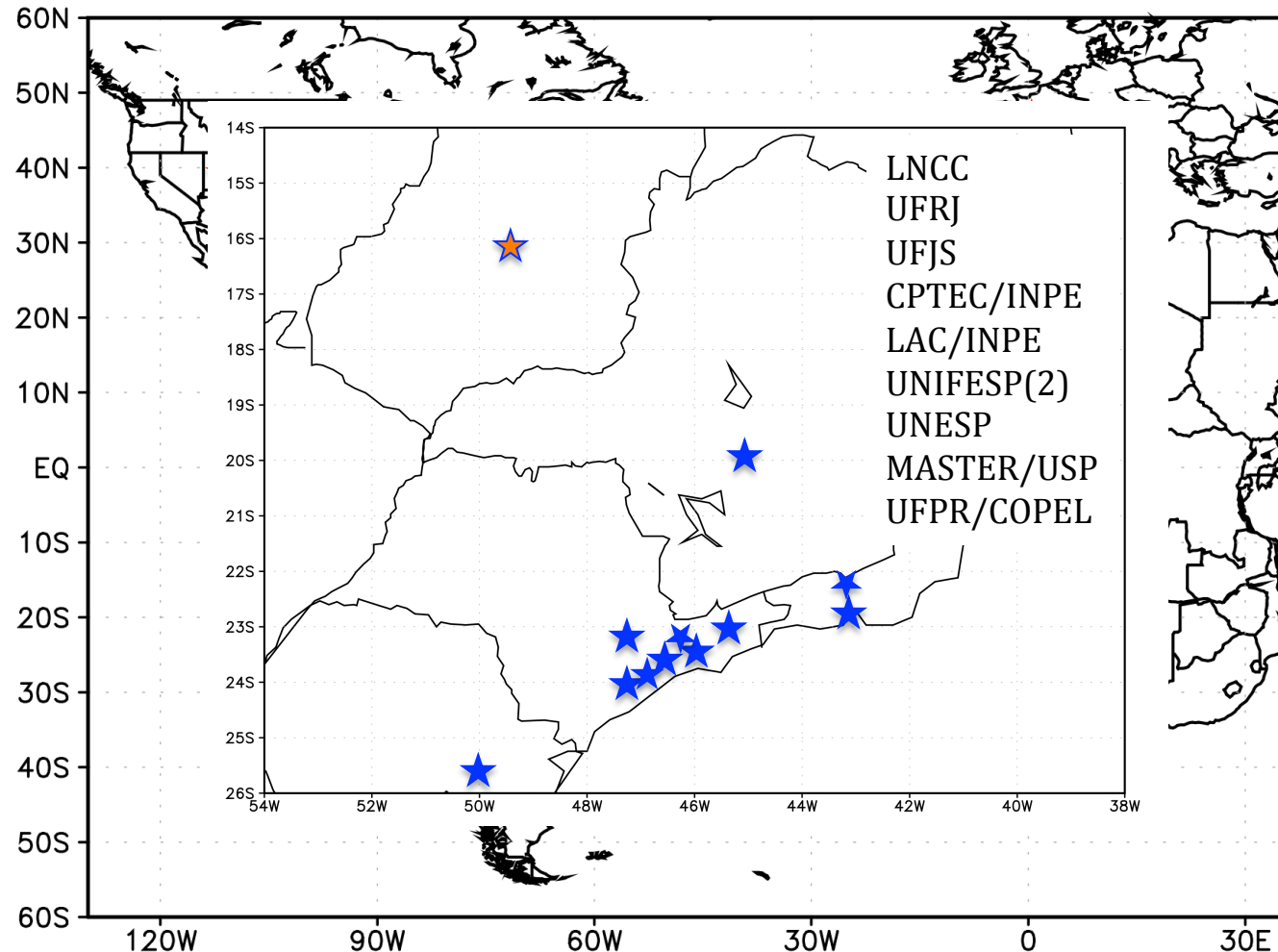
Index	Quantity
Journal Papers	> 100
Workshop Papers	> 200
Master theses	13 / 1
Doctorate theses	13 / 5
Operational products	• Global soil moisture • Air quality and weather forecast (20 km) • Weather forecast (5km) • Severe weather forecast (adaptive grid - 1km)
Special operational products for field campaigns	• BARCA, SAMBBA, GoAmazon, CHUVA
Training	• Four BRAMS tutorials

Current collaborations

- NOAA/ESRL: physical parameterizations, data assimilation, fire emissions and plumerise
- DWD/Germany: new dynamic core
- KIT/Germany: fire emissions and plumerise
- NASA/Goddard: fire emissions and plumerise
- SENAMHI/PERU: air quality forecast
- CNEA/Argentina: Emissions and air quality research
- LNCC, USP, UFRJ, UFCG, UNIFESP(2), UFRN, SISAM, UFPEL, UNESP,
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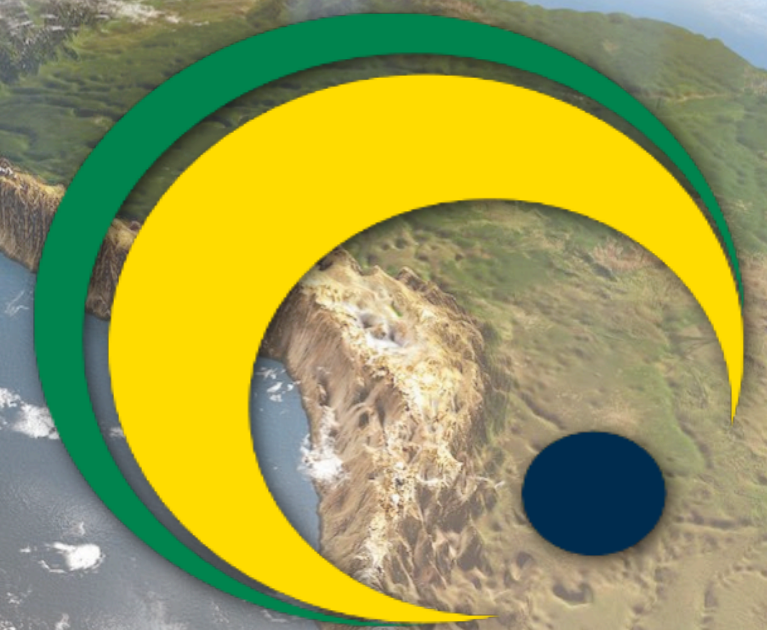
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Colombia (3)
Peru
Argentina (2)
Brazil:
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