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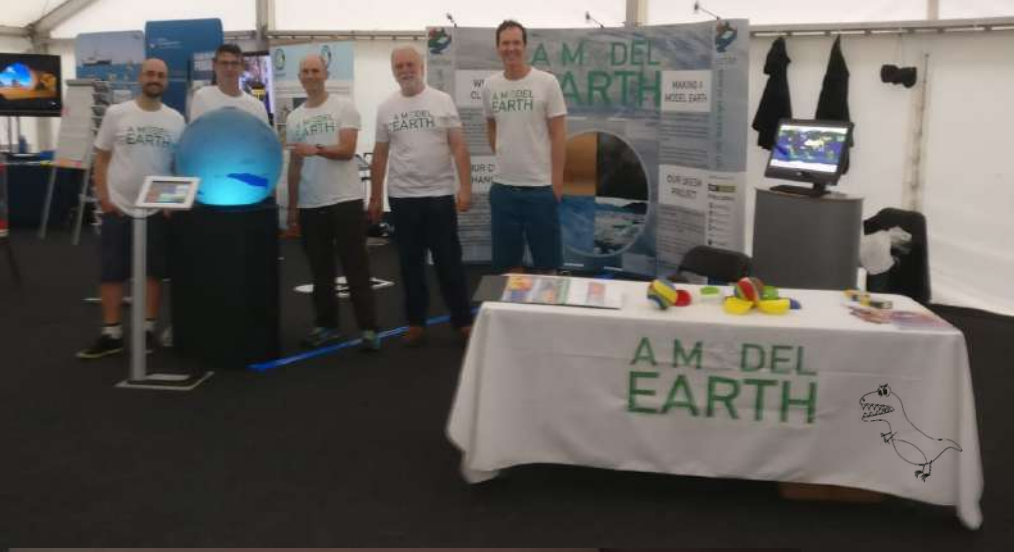
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# Controls on Tropical Tree Cover

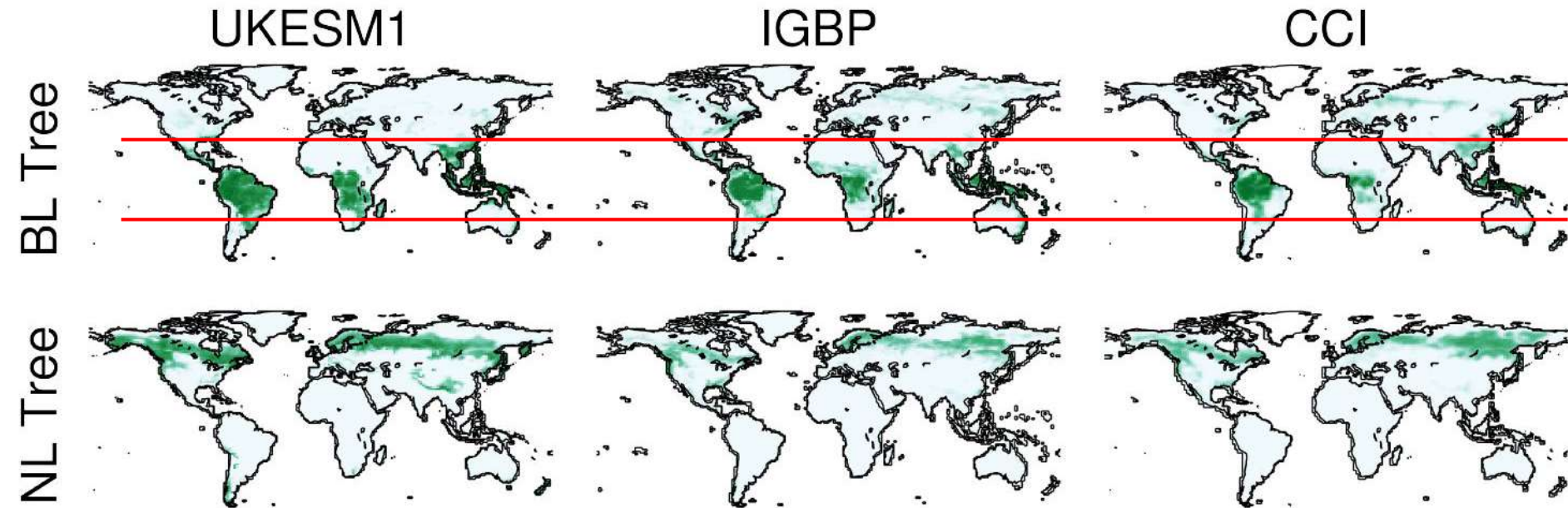
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# UKESM tree cover



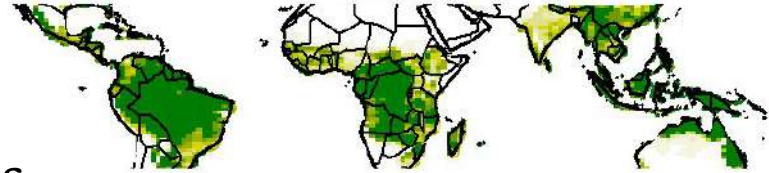
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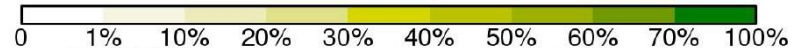
# JULES-ES(+fire) fireMIP benchmarking

Comparison	Dataset	Time period	Pre-fire + Fire	
			Pre-fire	+ Fire
Life form	VCF	2002-2012	0.78	0.51
			0.72	0.63
Tree Cover	CCI	2010	0.53	0.3
Wood Cover	VCF	2002-2012	0.64	0.29
	CCI	2010	0.45	0.36
Herb cover	VCF	2002-2012	0.64	0.42
	CCI	2010	0.43	0.42
Leaf type	VCF	1992-1993	0.56	0.53
BL vs NL			0.18	0.17
Shrub	CCI	2010	0.36	0.23

Pre-fire



+fire



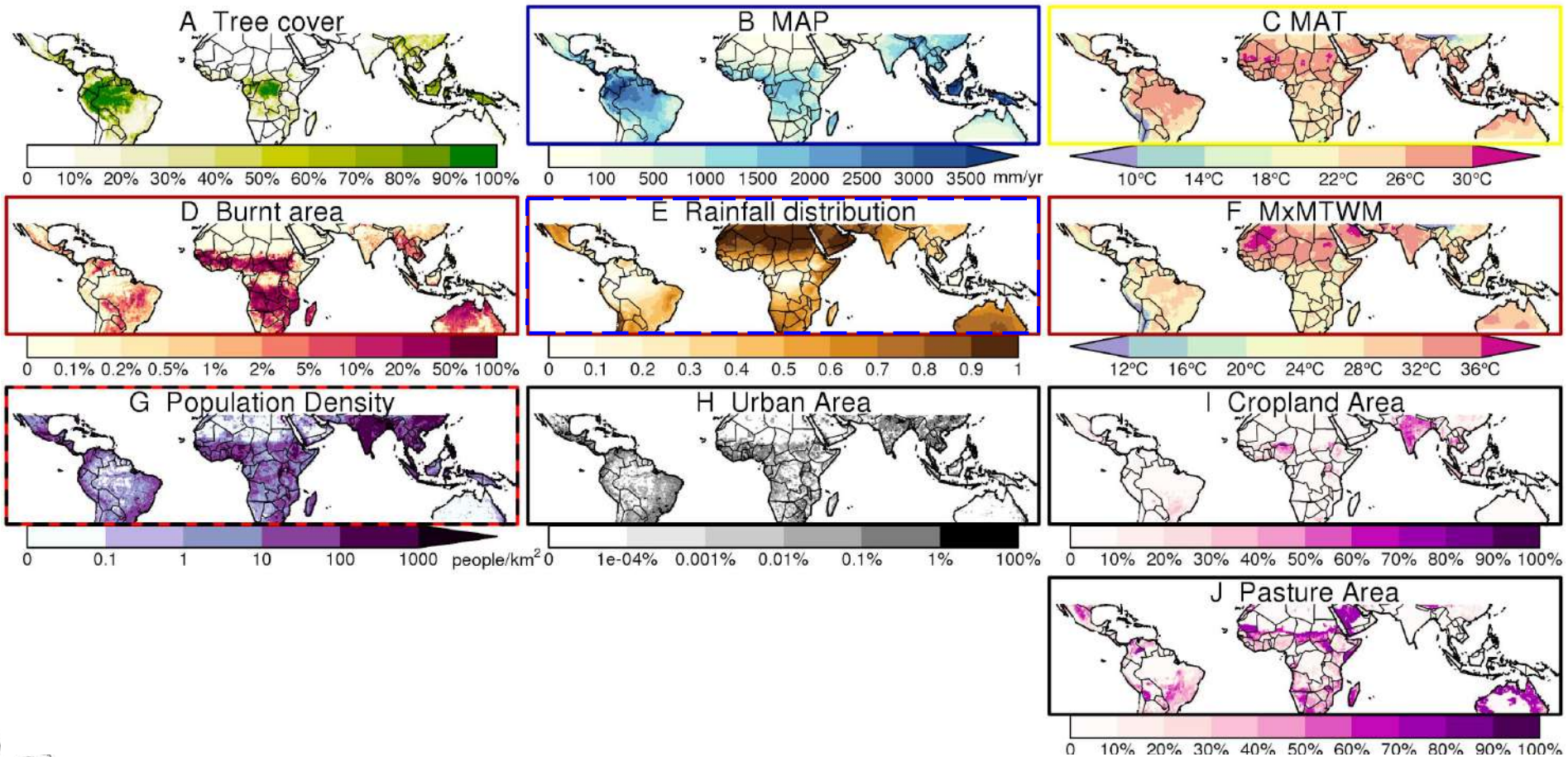
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- How well are different controls & disturbances on tree cover represented in JULES?
- What are the controls & disturbances on tree cover?

# Inferred tree cover controls

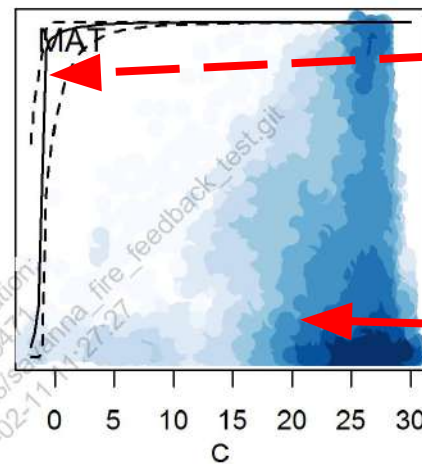
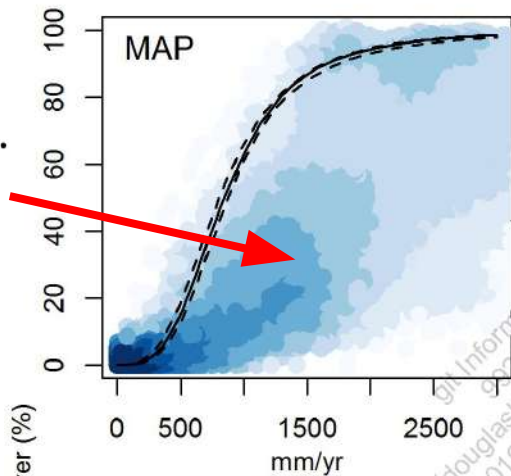




# Tree cover controls assessment



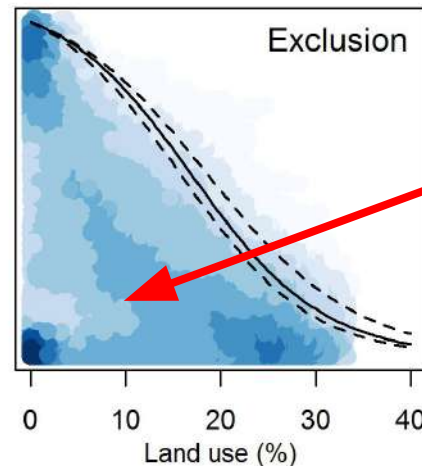
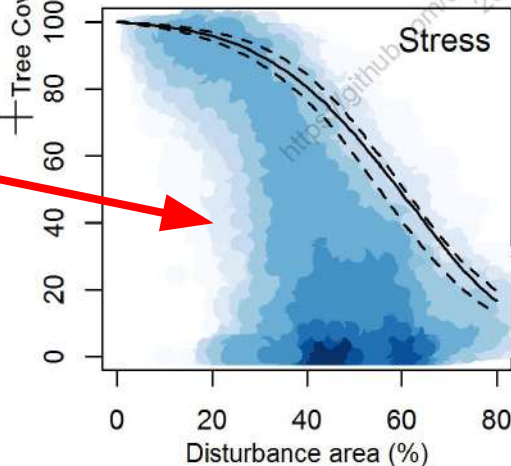
$$\log\left(MAP + \frac{MAWD}{v_{MAWD}} \cdot (e^{-v_{MAWD} \cdot MAP} - 1)\right)$$



$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-k_c \cdot (x_c - x_{c,0})}}$$

*MAT*

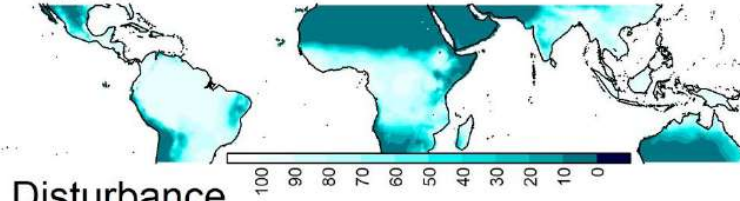
Background +  
 $v_{fire} \cdot \text{BurntArea} +$   
 $v_{MADD} \cdot MADD$   
 $+ v_{temp} \cdot MxTWM$   
 $+ v_{pop} \cdot \text{population}$



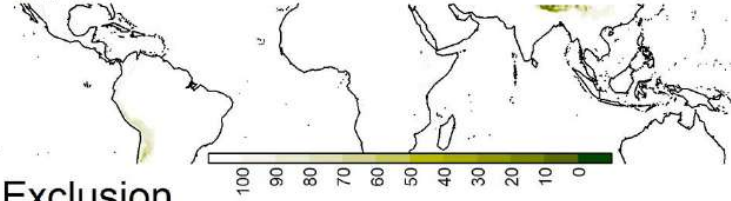
Urban +  
 $v_{crop} \cdot \text{crop}$   
 $+ v_{pas} \cdot \text{pasture}$

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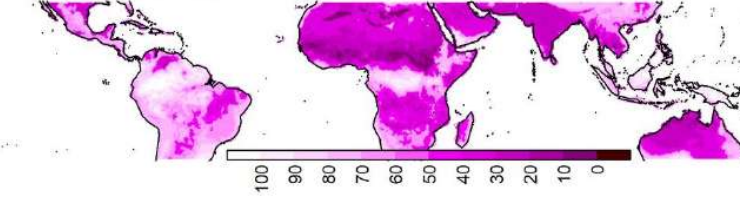
MAP



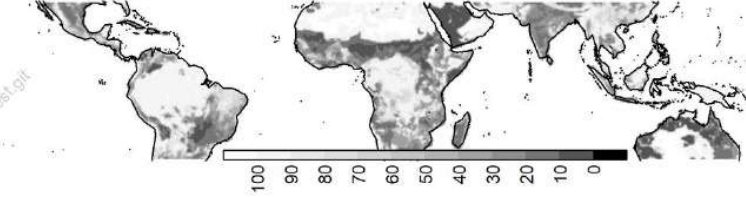
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Disturbance



Exclusion



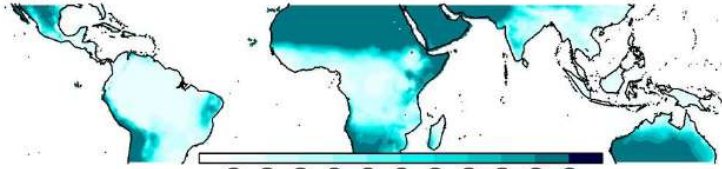
Optimized using Bayesian Inference:

- Tracks and quantifies parameter uncertainty and model error
- Gives more confidence to model predictions
- Provides a constraint rather than hard target



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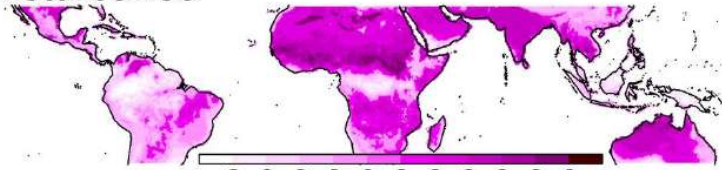
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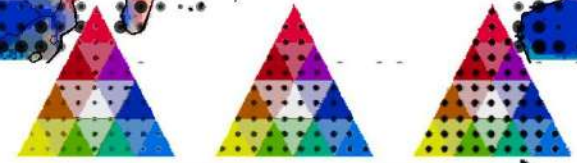
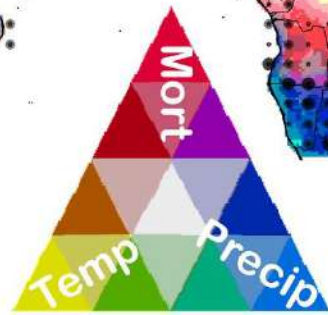
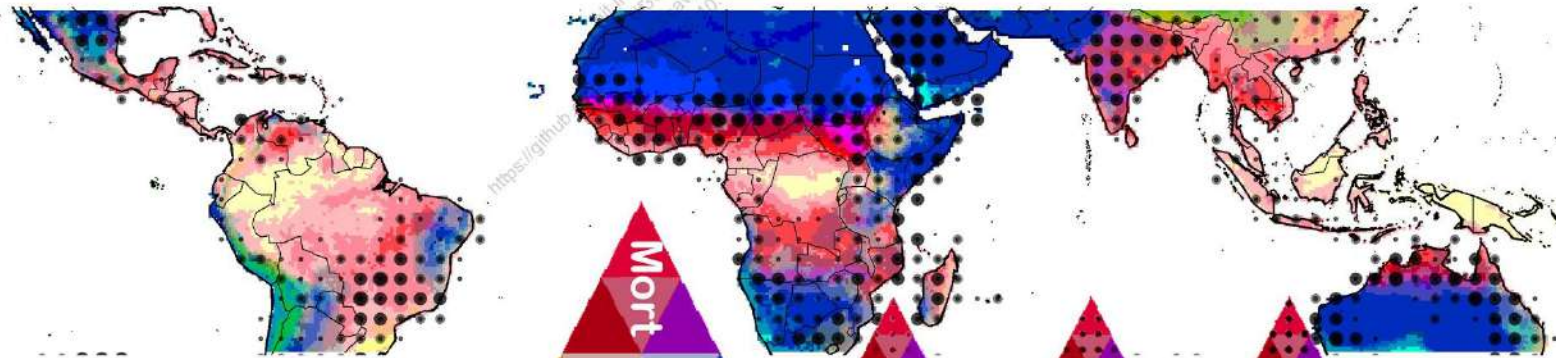
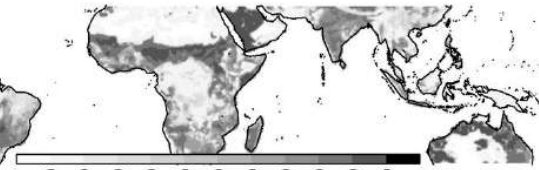
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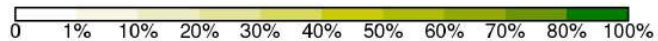
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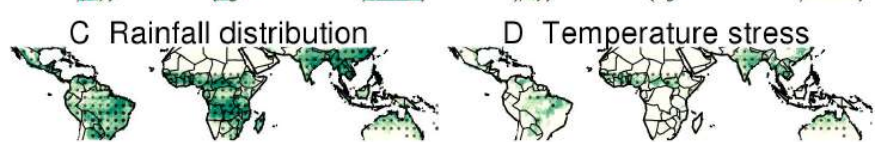
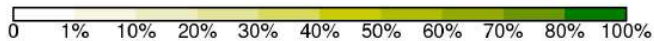


# Mortality types





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$T_{\text{upp}}$  !!

A red arrow points from the text  $T_{\text{upp}}$  !! towards the world maps.

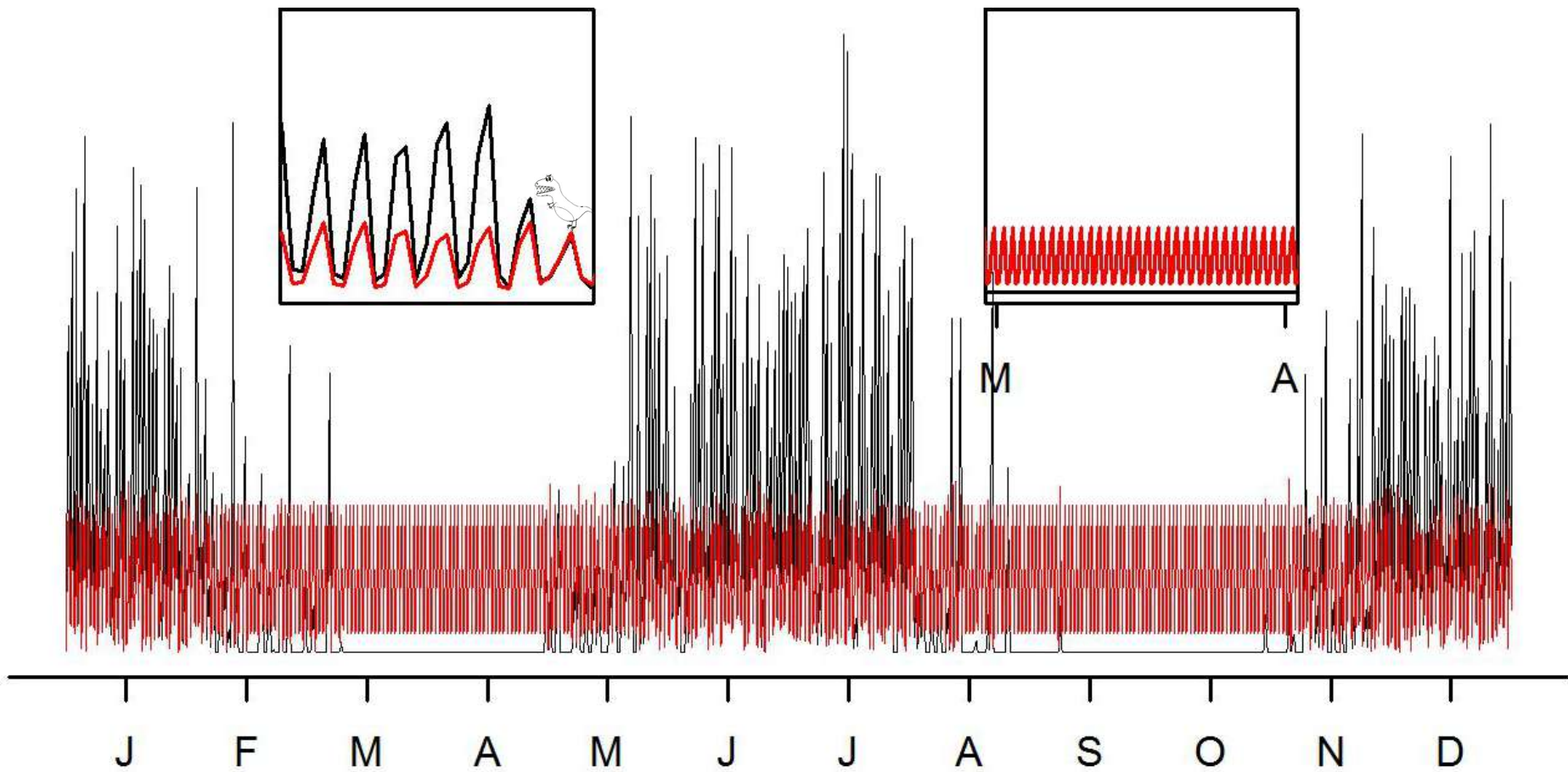


# Jules Experiments

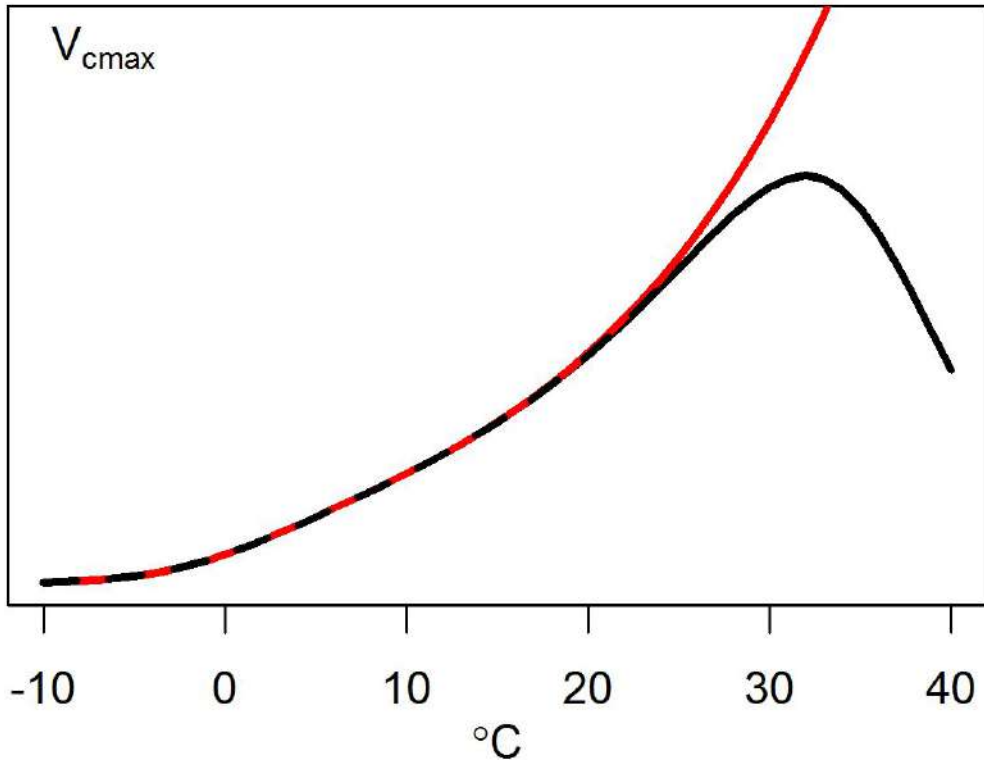
- A Rainfall set to 10,000 mm/yr
- B Fire mortality set to zero
- C Rainfall Distribution removed
- D  $T_{upp}$  on  $V_{cmax}$  removed
- E None: Pop den deforestation not included
- F, G, H Human land cover type set to zero in turn
- I All land cover set to zero



# Jules Experiment - C Rainfall distribution



# Jules Experiment - Temperature stress

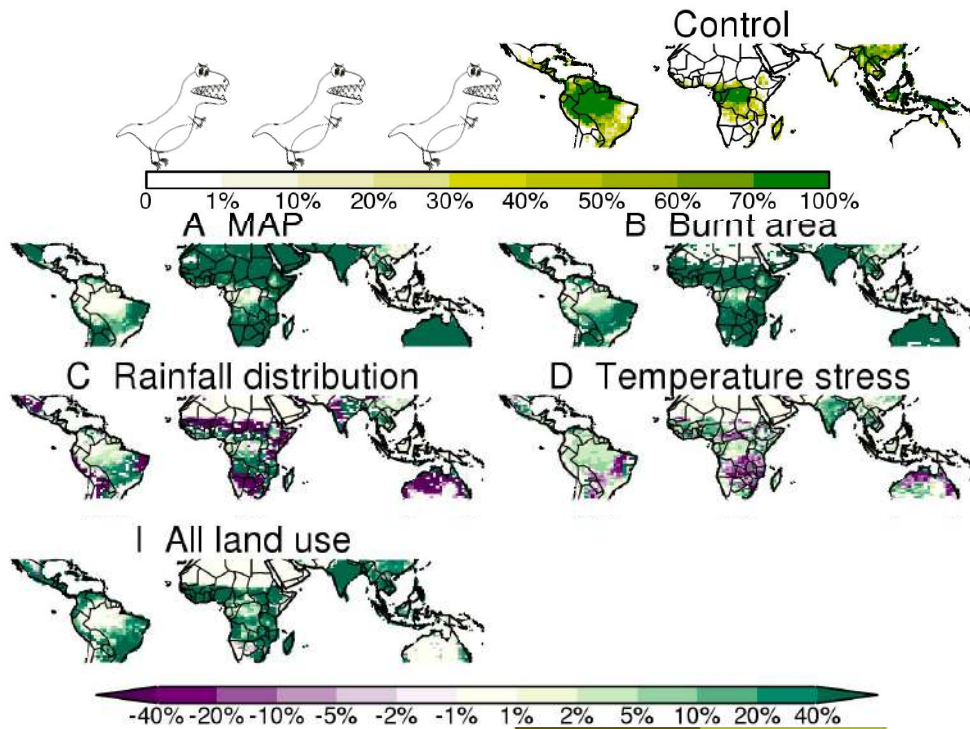
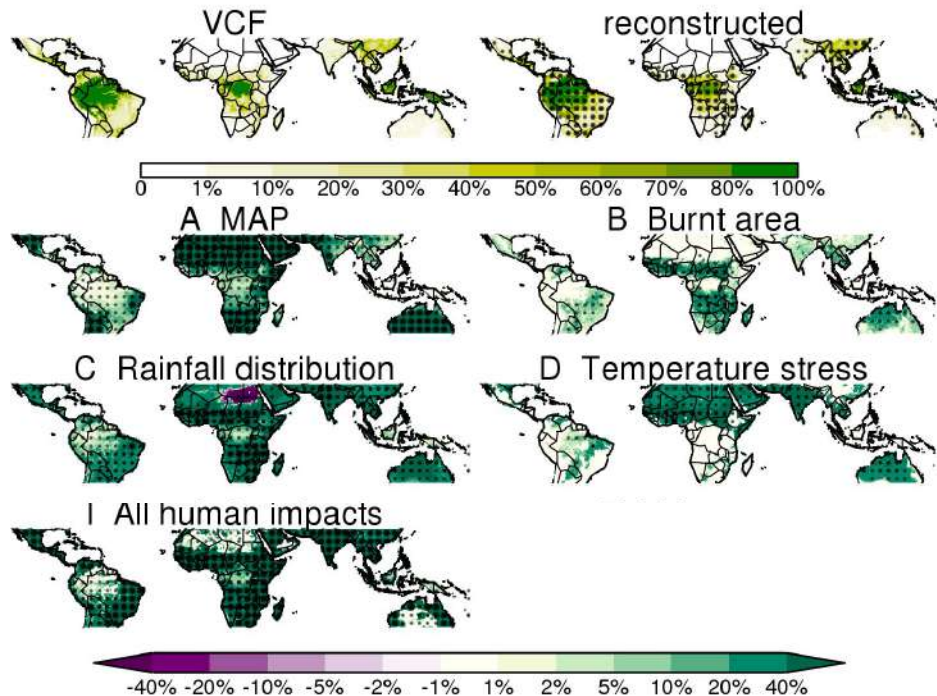


$$V_{cmax} = \frac{V_{cmax25} \cdot Q_{10}^{0.1 \cdot (T_c - 25)}}{\left[ 1 + e^{0.3 \cdot (T_c - T_{upp})} \right] \cdot \left[ 1 + e^{0.3 \cdot (T_{low} - T_c)} \right]}$$

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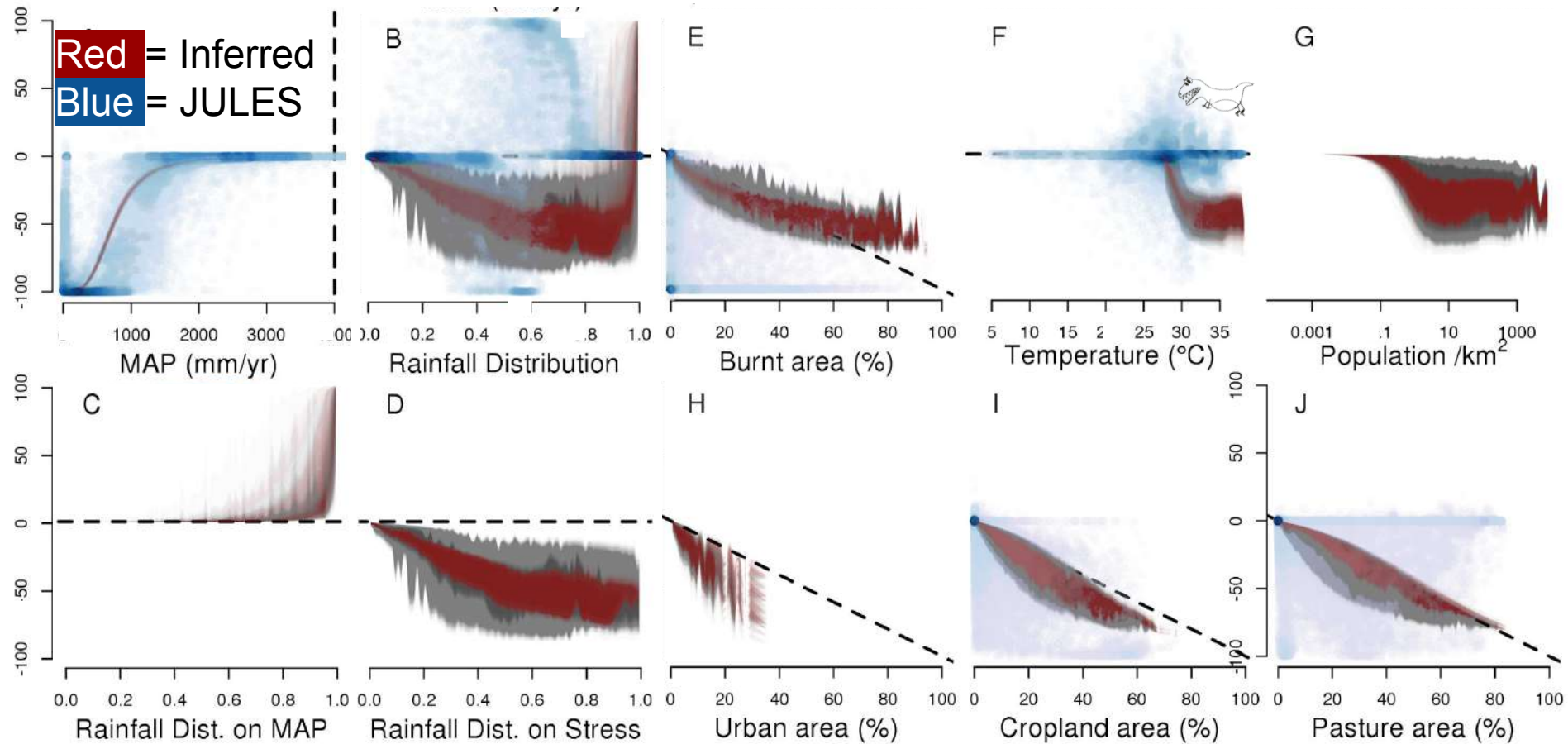
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JULES-ES

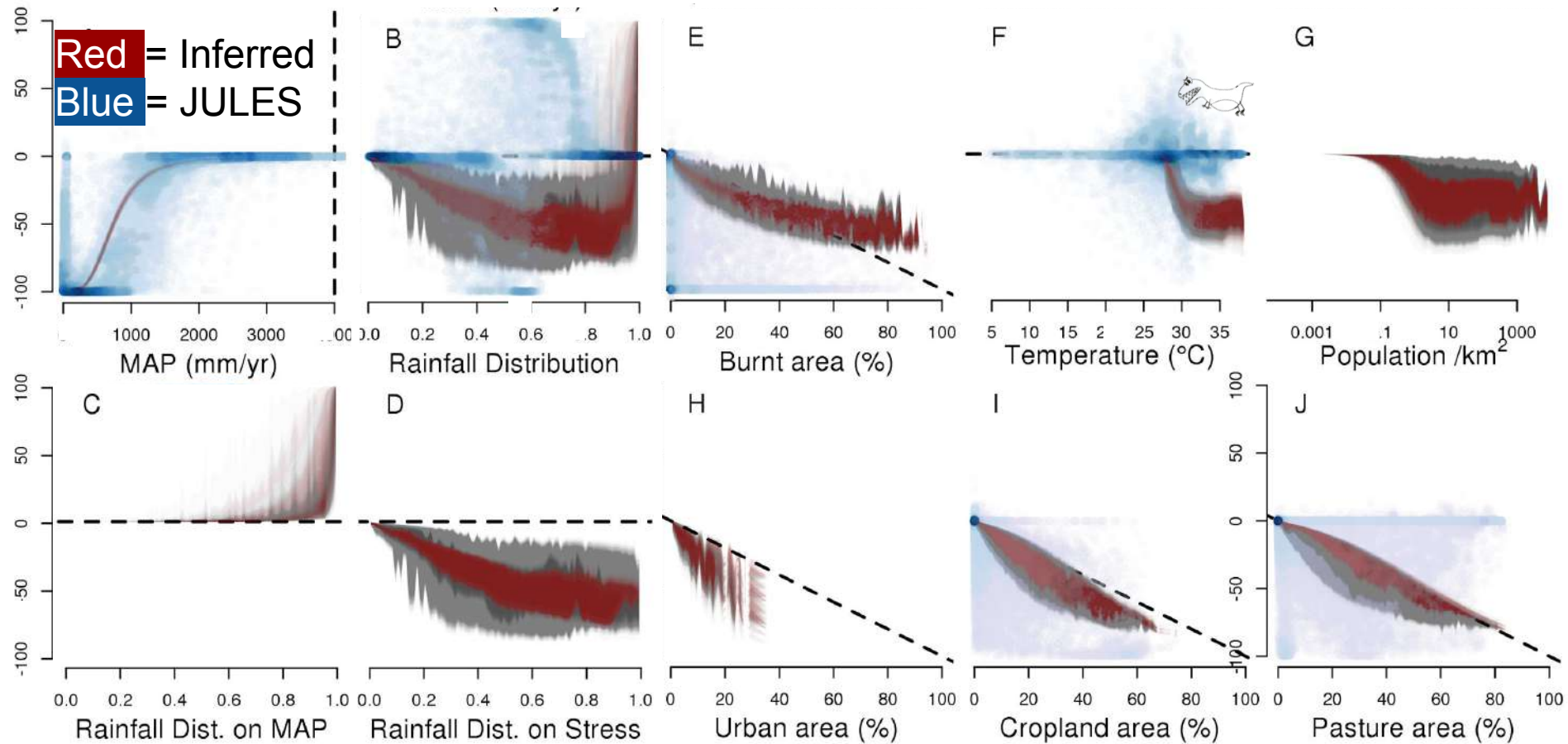




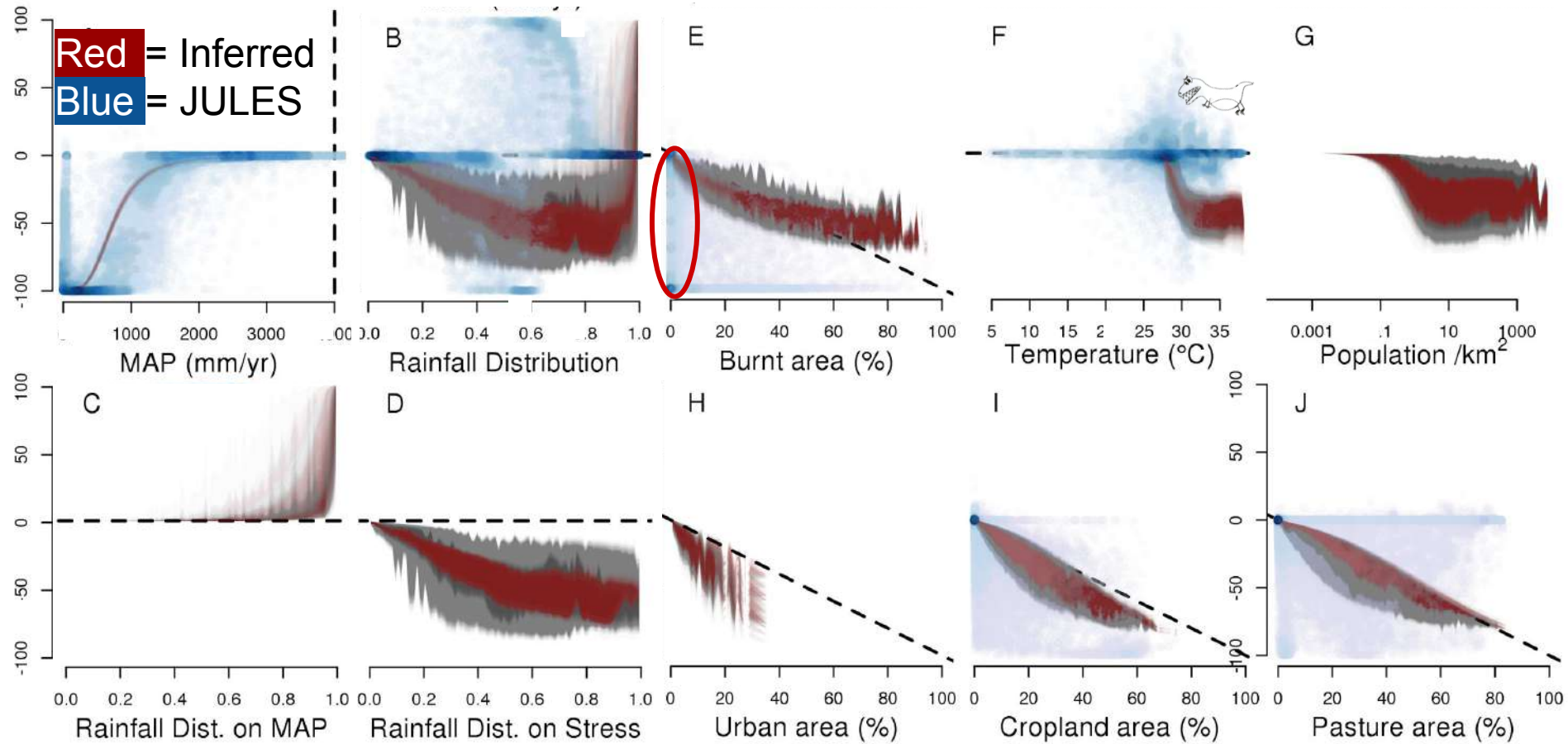
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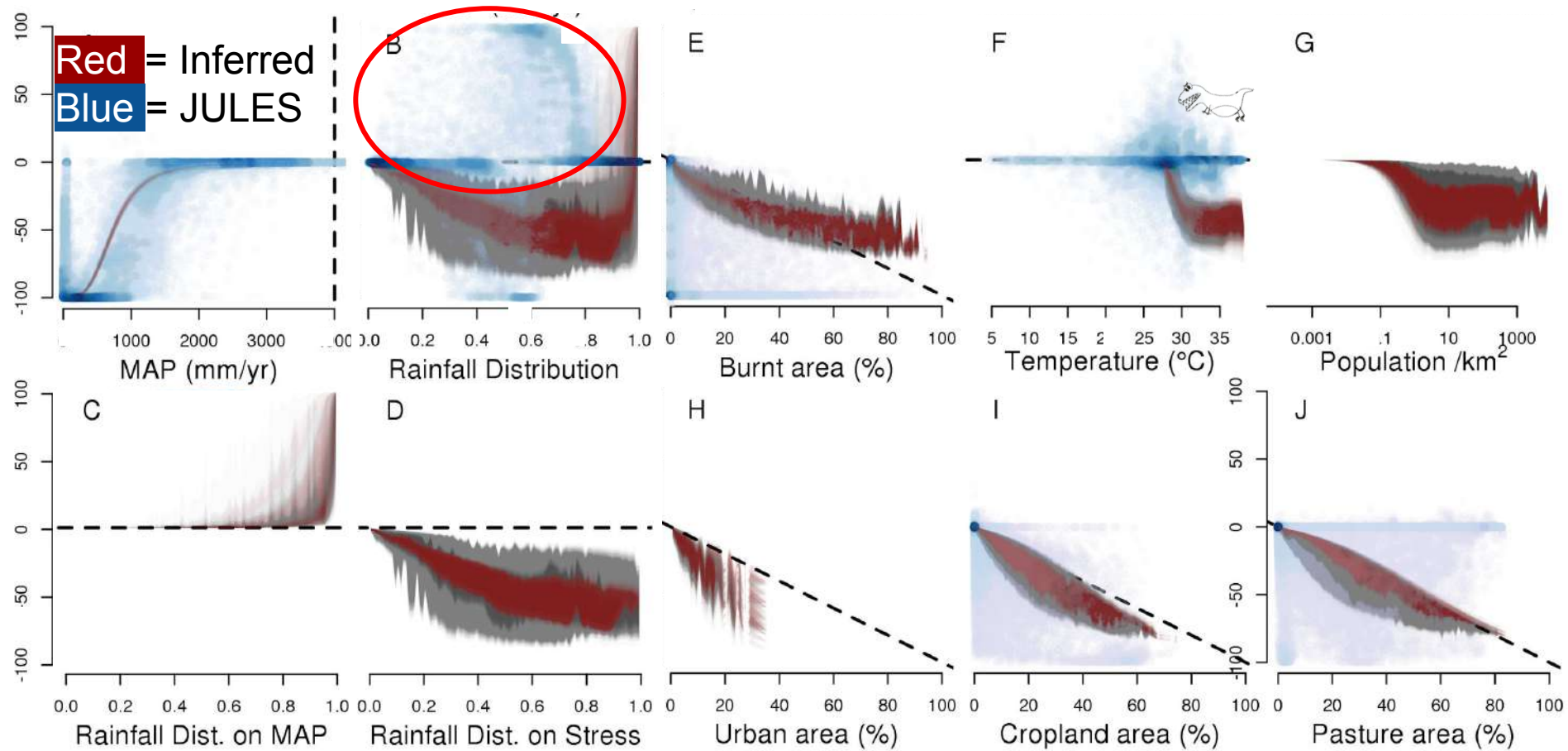


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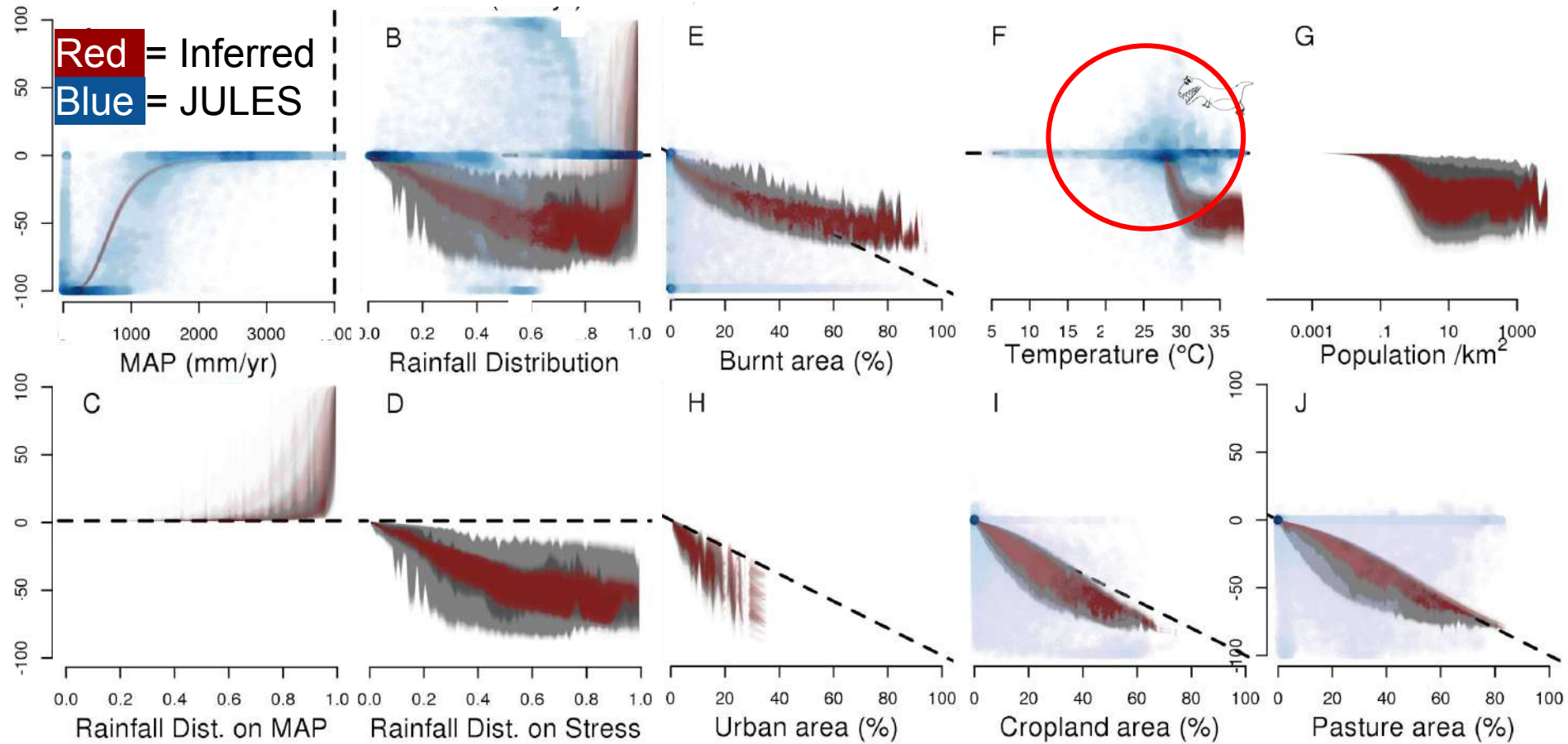




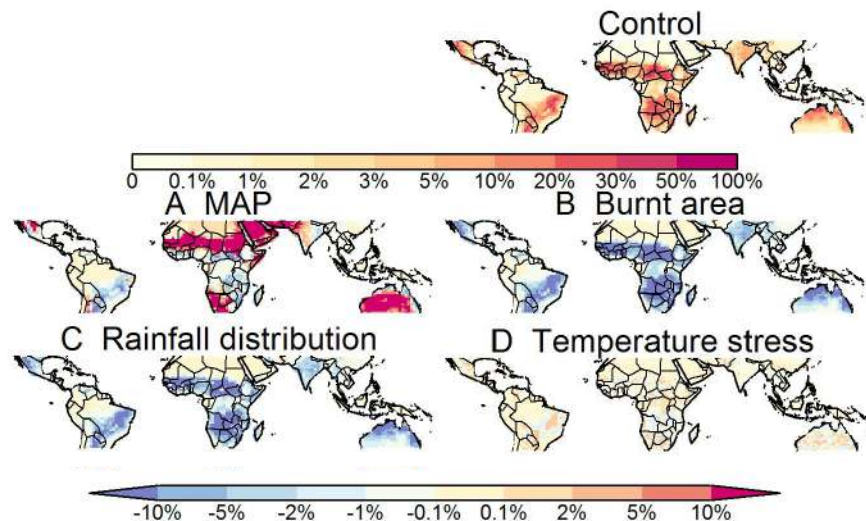
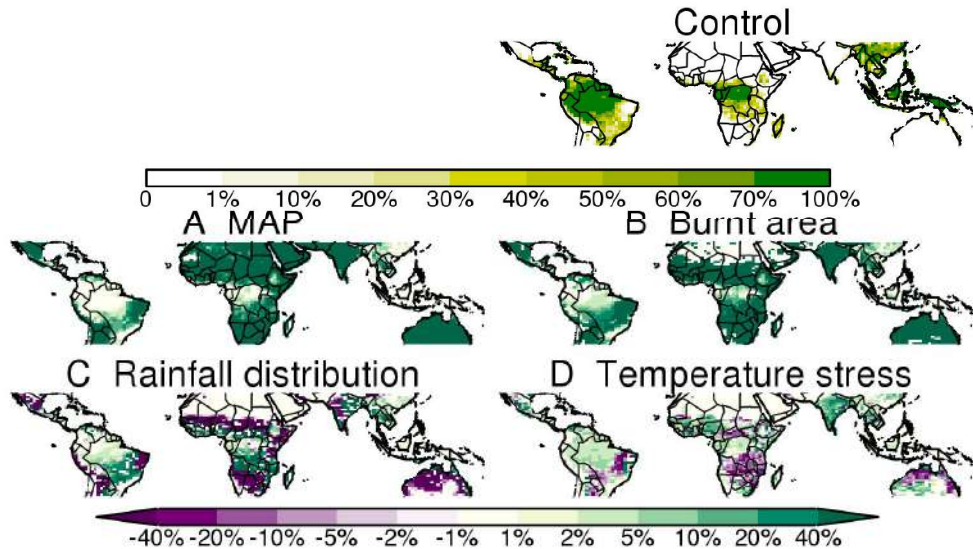
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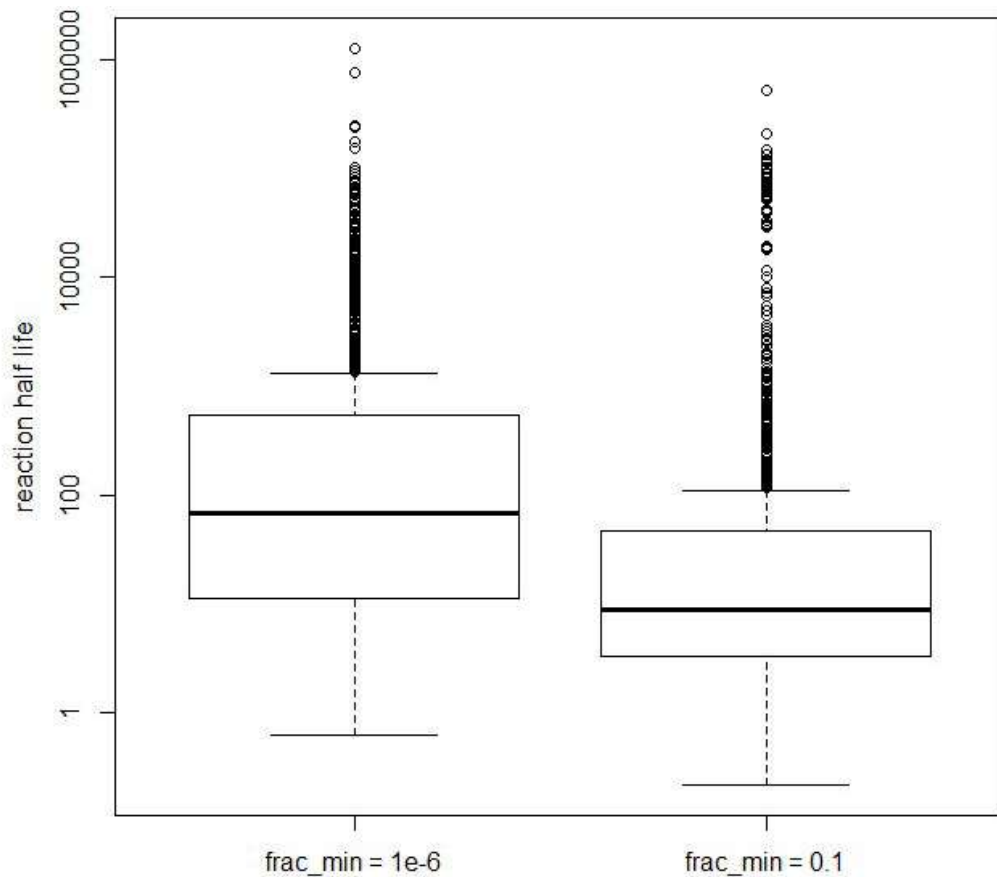


# But not everything is kept constant






# Recovery time after burning

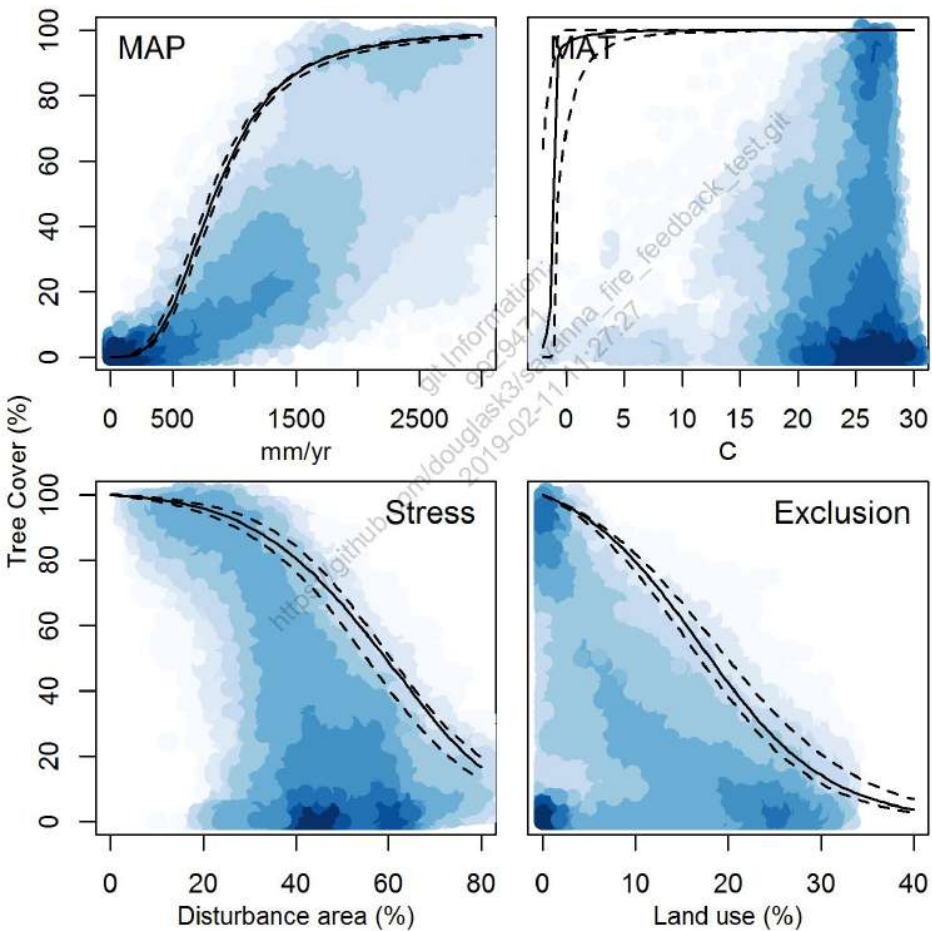


# Summary

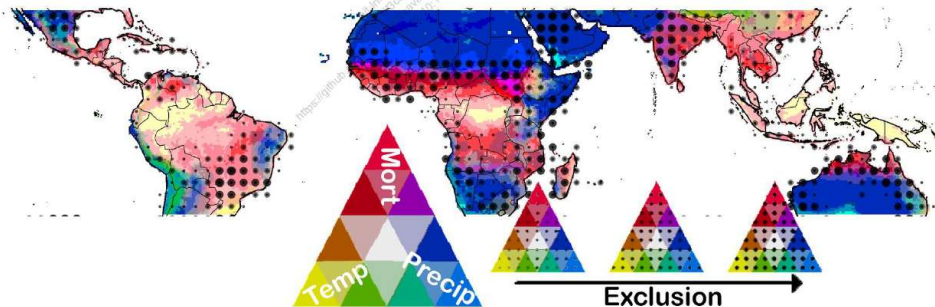
- Too much tree cover at low MAP, but generally MAP not bad
- Land use impacts are fine
- Fire “overkill” 
- Something weird's going to with rainfall distribution and temp. stress:
  - Turn fire off in jules/on in inferred
  - Inc. Rainfall & temp synchronicity
  - Impact of canopy on water availability



# Vulnerability

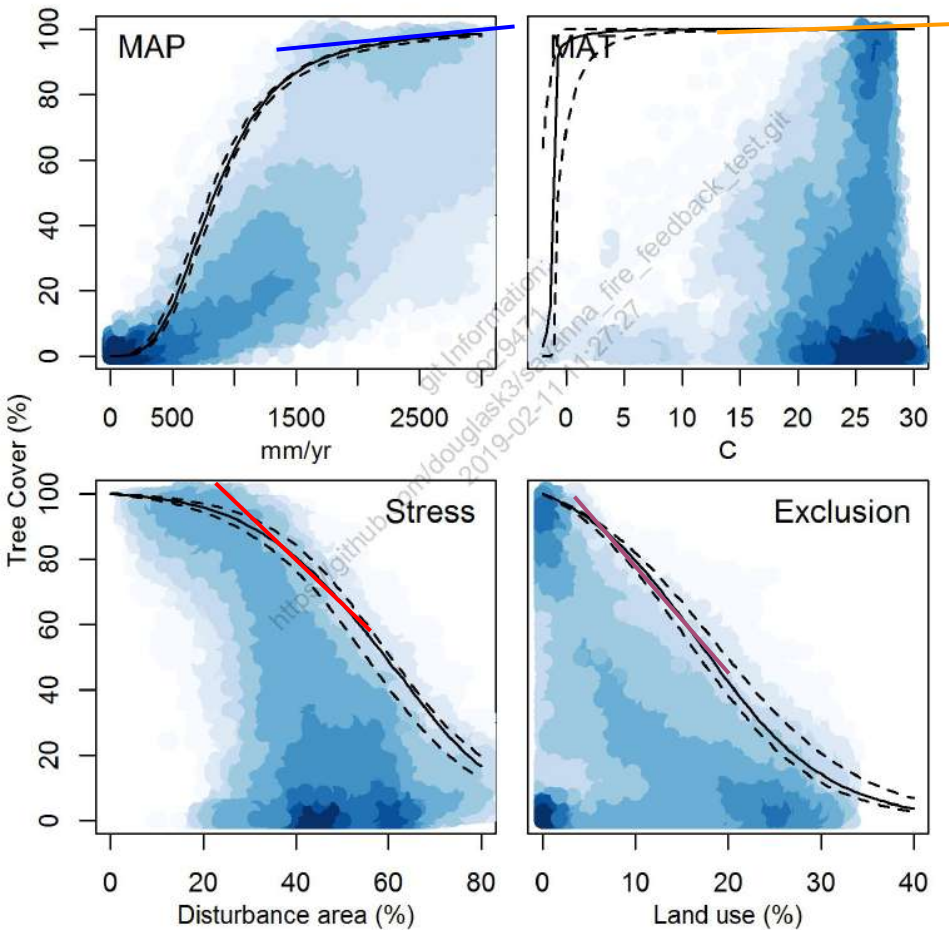


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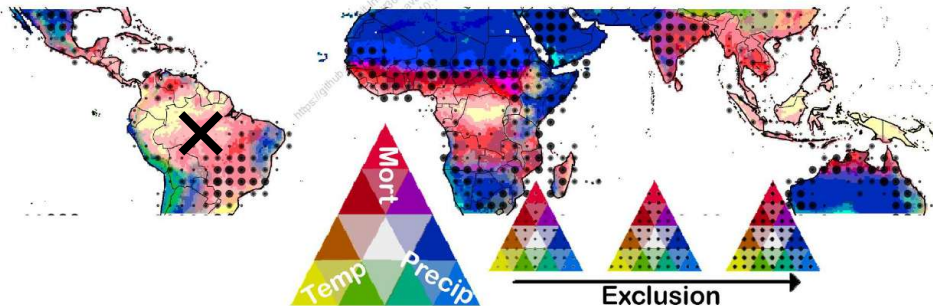




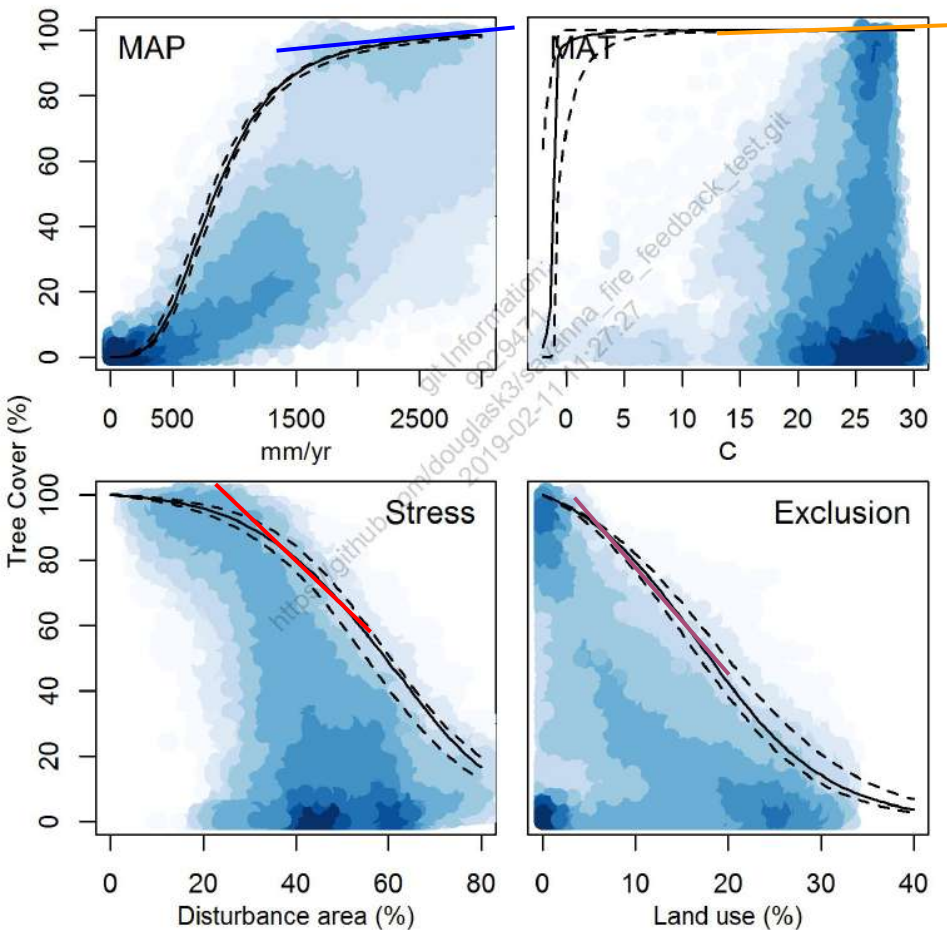
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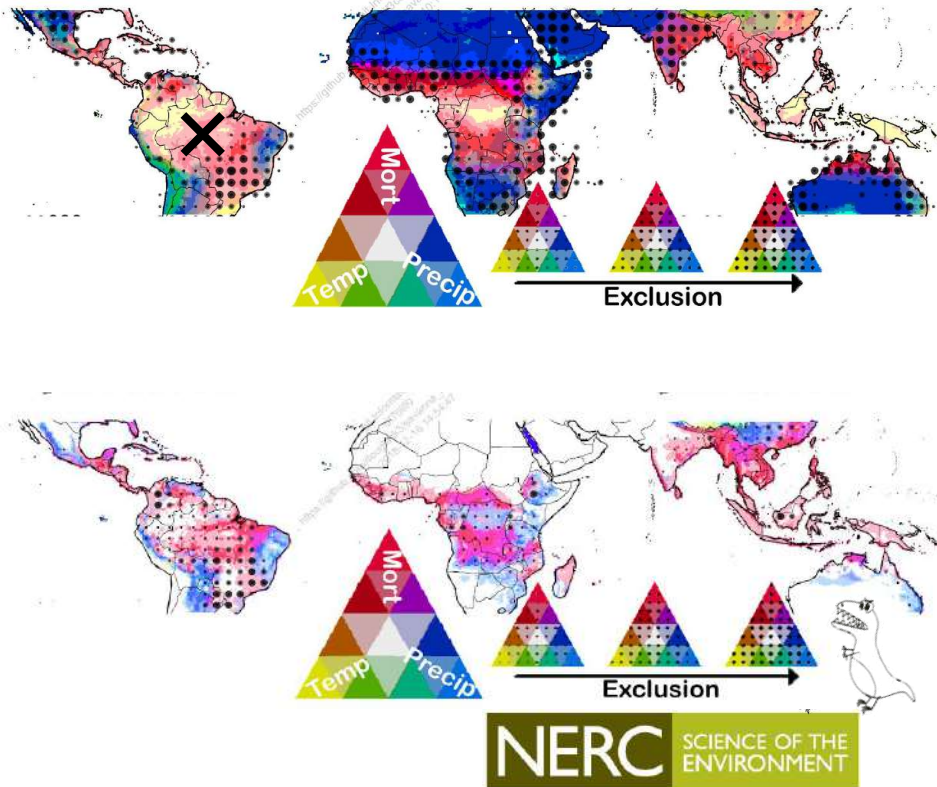
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# Limitation and sensitivity

Annual Average

Fire Season

Limitation

Sensitivity

