

# Implementation and Evaluation of a Biogenic Isoprene Emissions scheme in JULES

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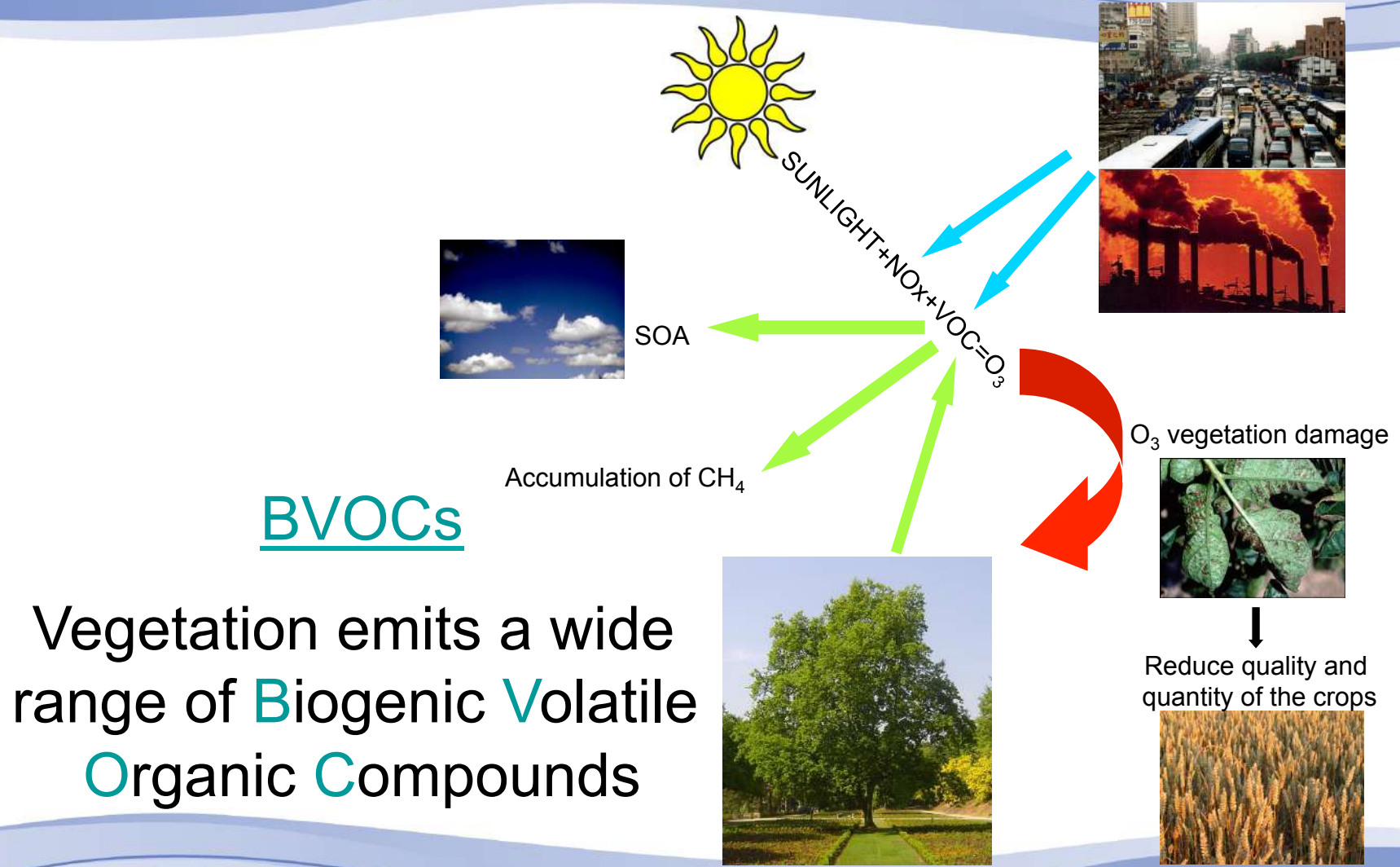
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Subject of Study



BVOCs

Vegetation emits a wide range of Biogenic Volatile Organic Compounds

This model is based on Arneth et al., 2007 and Niinemets et al., 1999

$$I = IEF \frac{A_{canopy} + R_{Dcanopy}}{A_{st} + R_{Dst}} f_T \cdot f_{CO_2}$$

$I$  Above-canopy isoprene emission

$IEF$  Isoprene Emission Factor, i.e. basal isoprene emission at the leaf level in standard conditions. This factor is Plant Functional Type-dependent in JULES.

$A_{canopy}$  Net photosynthesis rate at the canopy level

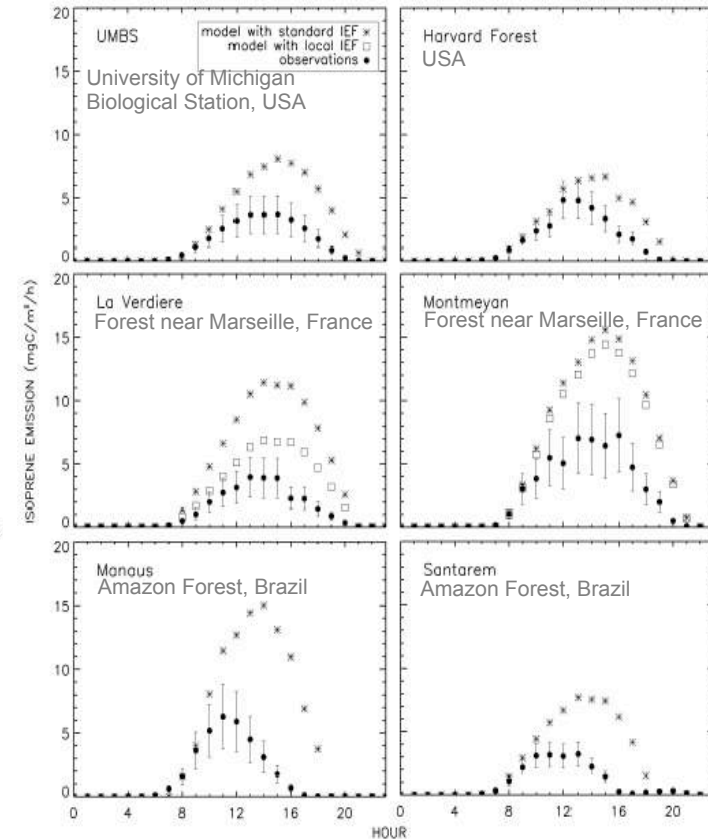
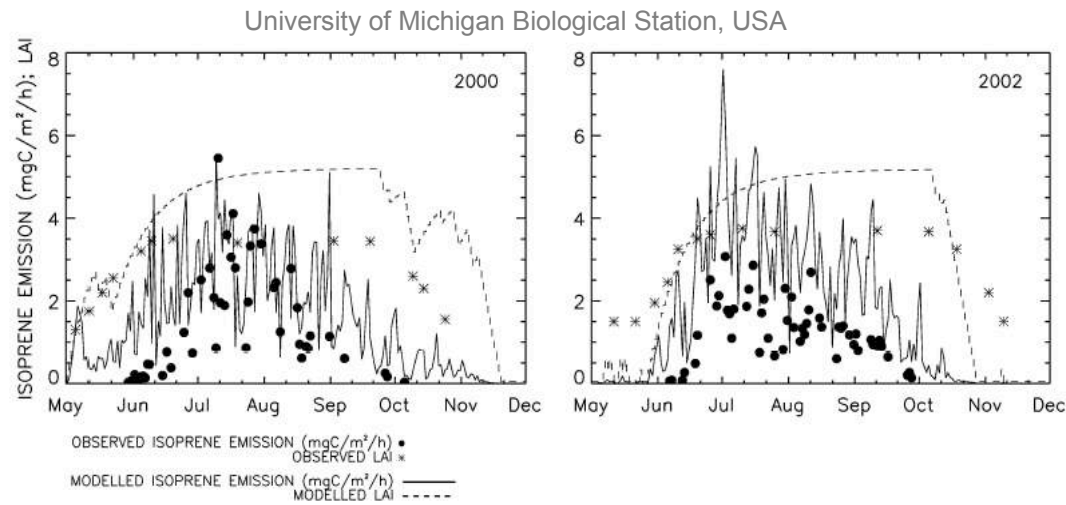
$R_{Dcanopy}$  Respiration rate at the canopy level

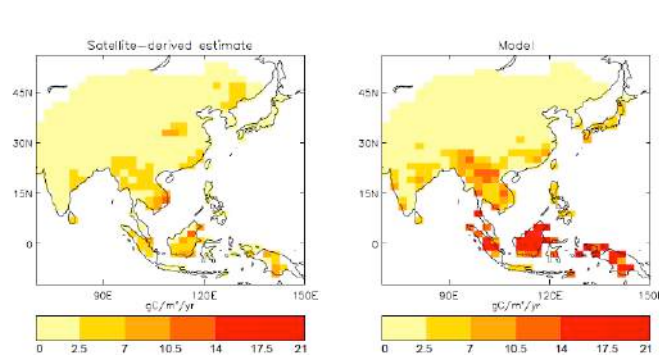
$f_T$  This empirical factor takes into account the fact that although isoprene is produced in the chloroplast from precursors formed during photosynthesis, there are differences in the short-term response of carbon assimilation and isoprene emission, such as the higher temperature optimum of isoprene synthase.

$f_{CO_2}$  This empirical factor models the inhibition of isoprene emission with increasing atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration, and vice versa the increase of isoprene emissions with decreasing atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration. It is relevant for past and future estimates of isoprene emissions.

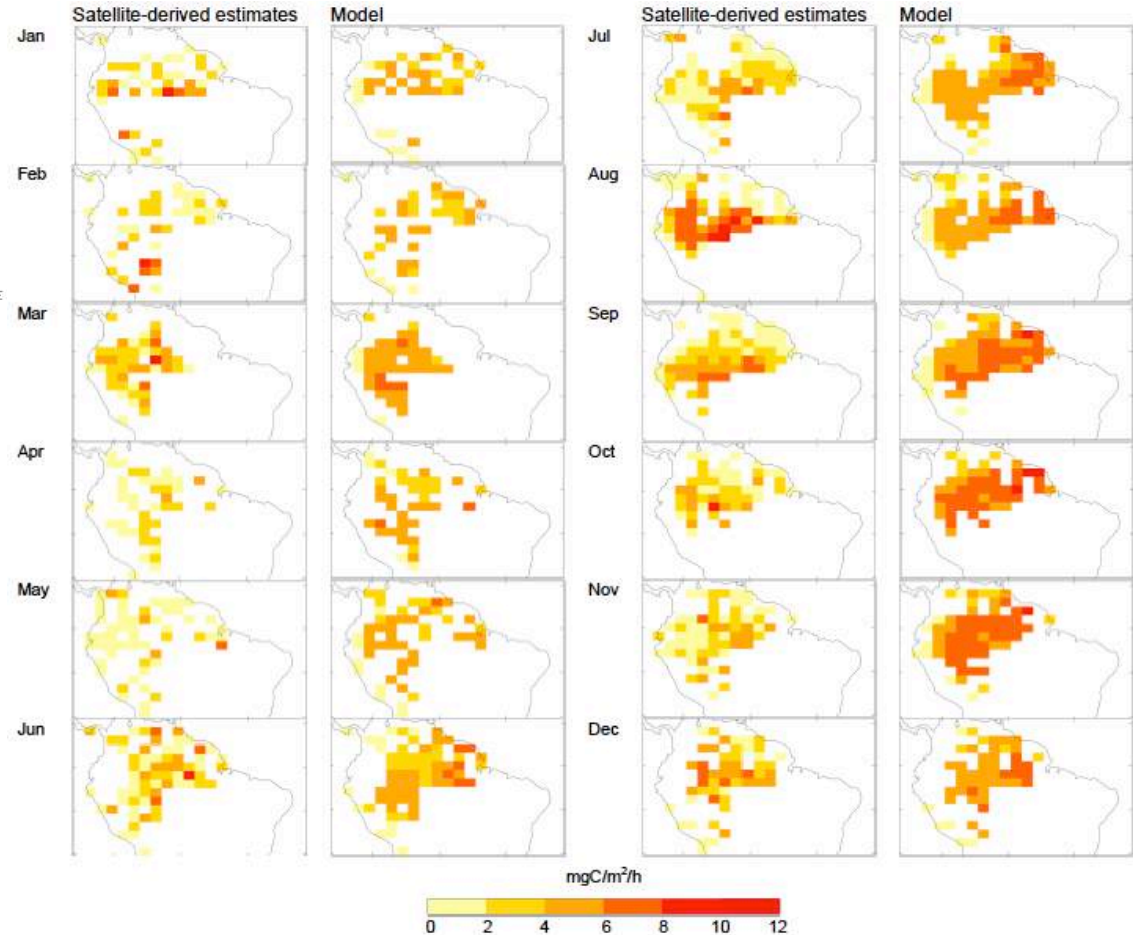
$-st$  indicates standard conditions, i.e. temperature  $T_{st}$  of 30°C, photosynthetically active radiation of 1000 μmol/m<sup>2</sup>/s and CO<sub>2</sub> atmospheric concentration of 370 ppm.

Diurnal and Seasonal Variability at the above-canopy isoprene flux measurement sites.



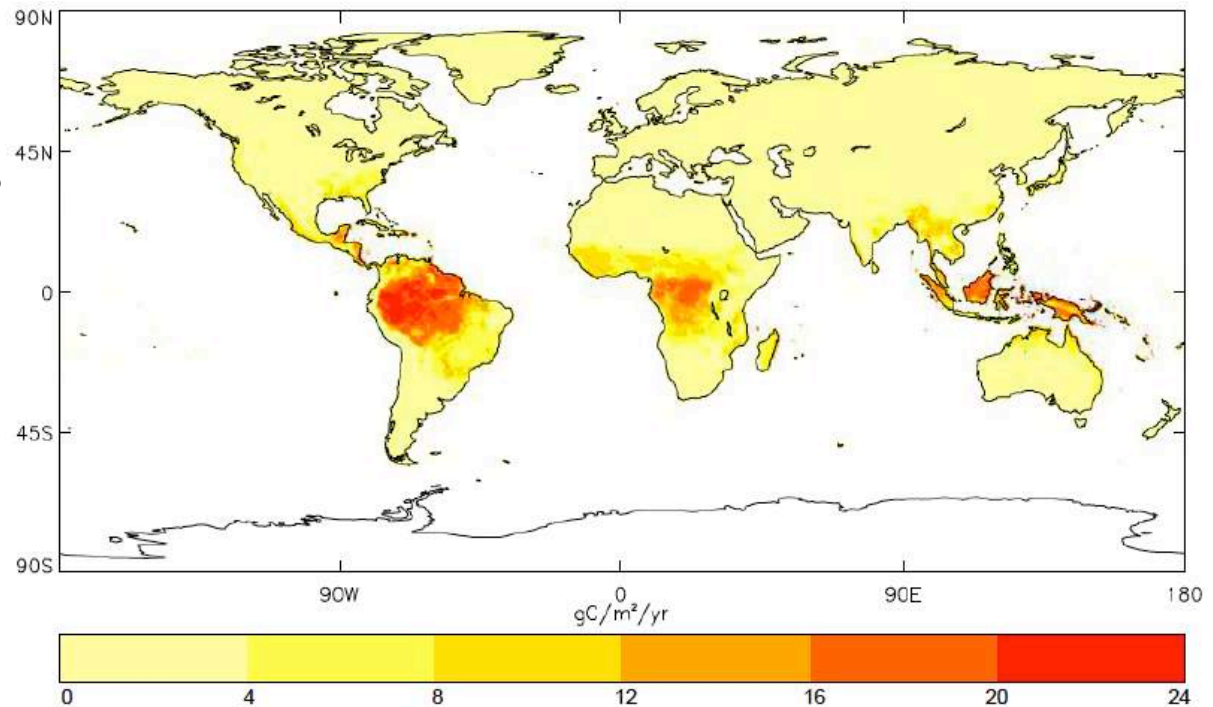


Comparison with satellite-derived isoprene estimates over south America and east and south Asia



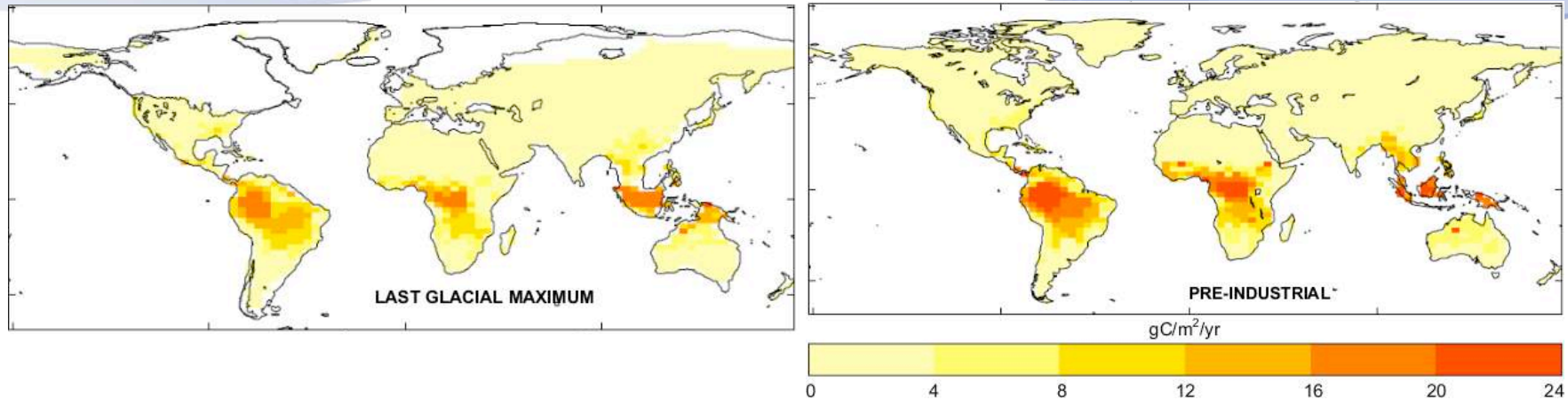
Present-day (1990s)  
global isoprene emissions  
with JULES: 535 TgC/yr.

Published estimates:  
400-600 TgC/yr  
(Arneeth et al., 2008 ACP).



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Isoprene Emission at LGM (TgC/yr)	Isoprene Emission at PI (TgC/yr)	Decrease in Isoprene Emission at the LGM compared with PI (%)	Impact on CH <sub>4</sub> (ppb)	Isoprene Emission Model	References
343	502	-32%	n.a.	Guenther et al., 1995	Adams et al., 2001
331	702	-53%	n.a.	Guenther et al., 1995	Lathière et al., 2005
229	594	-61%	-238	Guenther et al., 1995	Valdes et al., 2005
335	541	-38%	-385	Guenther et al., 1995	Kaplan et al., 2006
357	447	-20%	n.a.	Arneth et al., 2007b	Arneth et al., 2007
	(early 20th century)				
428	567	-24%	-108	Pacifico et al., 2011	This study

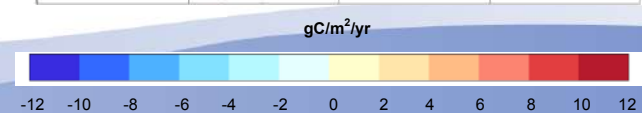
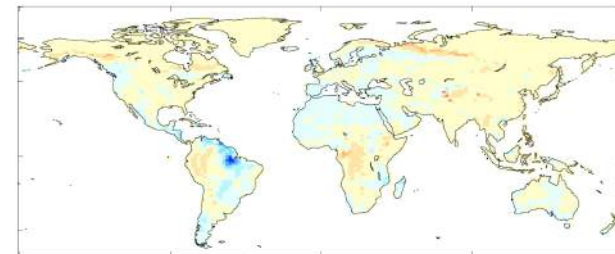
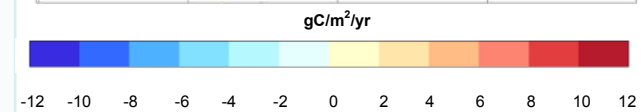
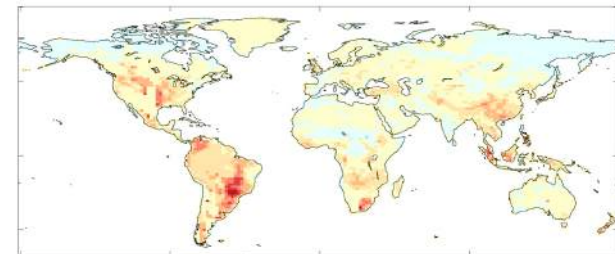
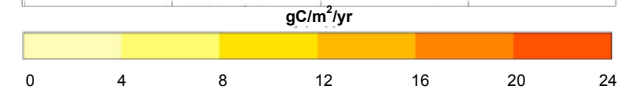
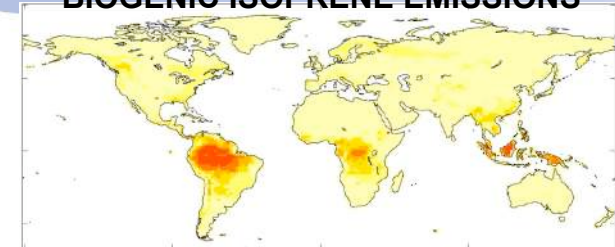


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	Isoprene Emissions (TgC/yr)	GPP (PgC/yr)	CO <sub>2</sub> (ppm)	Air Temperature (°C)
<b>Present-day 2000-2009</b>	460	146	368	14.1
<b>Pre-Industrial 1860-1869</b>	579	119	286	13.4
<b>Future (RCP 8.5) 2100-2109</b>	456	239	936	18.8
<b>Future (RCP 2.6) 2100-2109</b>	461	162	421	15.4

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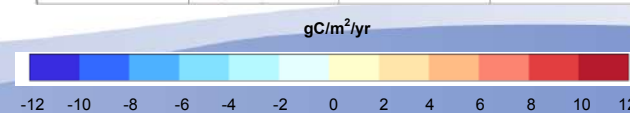
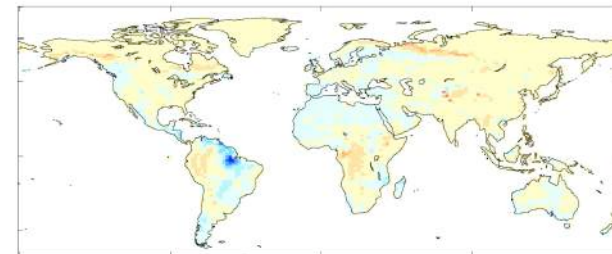
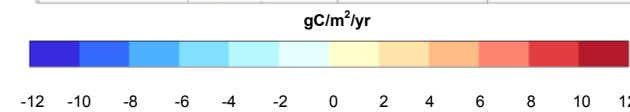
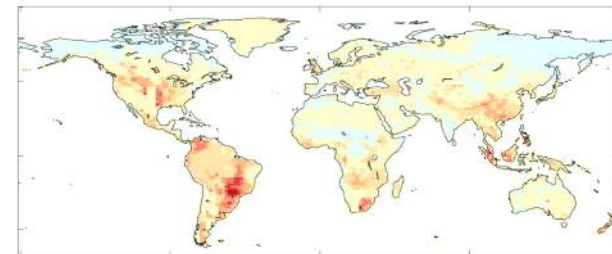
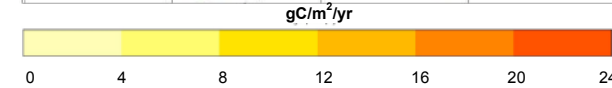
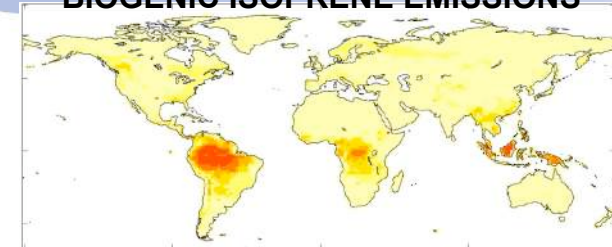


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20% decrease in isoprene emissions	Ozone burden	Methane Lifetime
<b>Under Pre-Industrial (1860-1869) conditions</b>	+ 0.7 Tg + 0.2%	- 9 months - 80 ppb - 44 mW/m <sup>2</sup>
<b>Under Present-day (2000-2009) conditions</b>	- 2 Tg - 2%	- 3 months - 59 ppb - 22 mW/m <sup>2</sup>

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## Conclusions

- Scheme available to study Biogenic Isoprene Emissions at different locations/historical periods
- Modifying the Photosynthesis Scheme will affect the isoprene scheme, e.g. direct/diffuse radiation (can\_rad\_mod 5)
- Possible Improvements: phenology; make the isoprene scheme more process-based, less empirical; evaluation against newly available data

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