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## **Quantitative assessment of fire and vegetation properties in simulations with fire-enabled vegetation models from the Fire Model Intercomparison Project**

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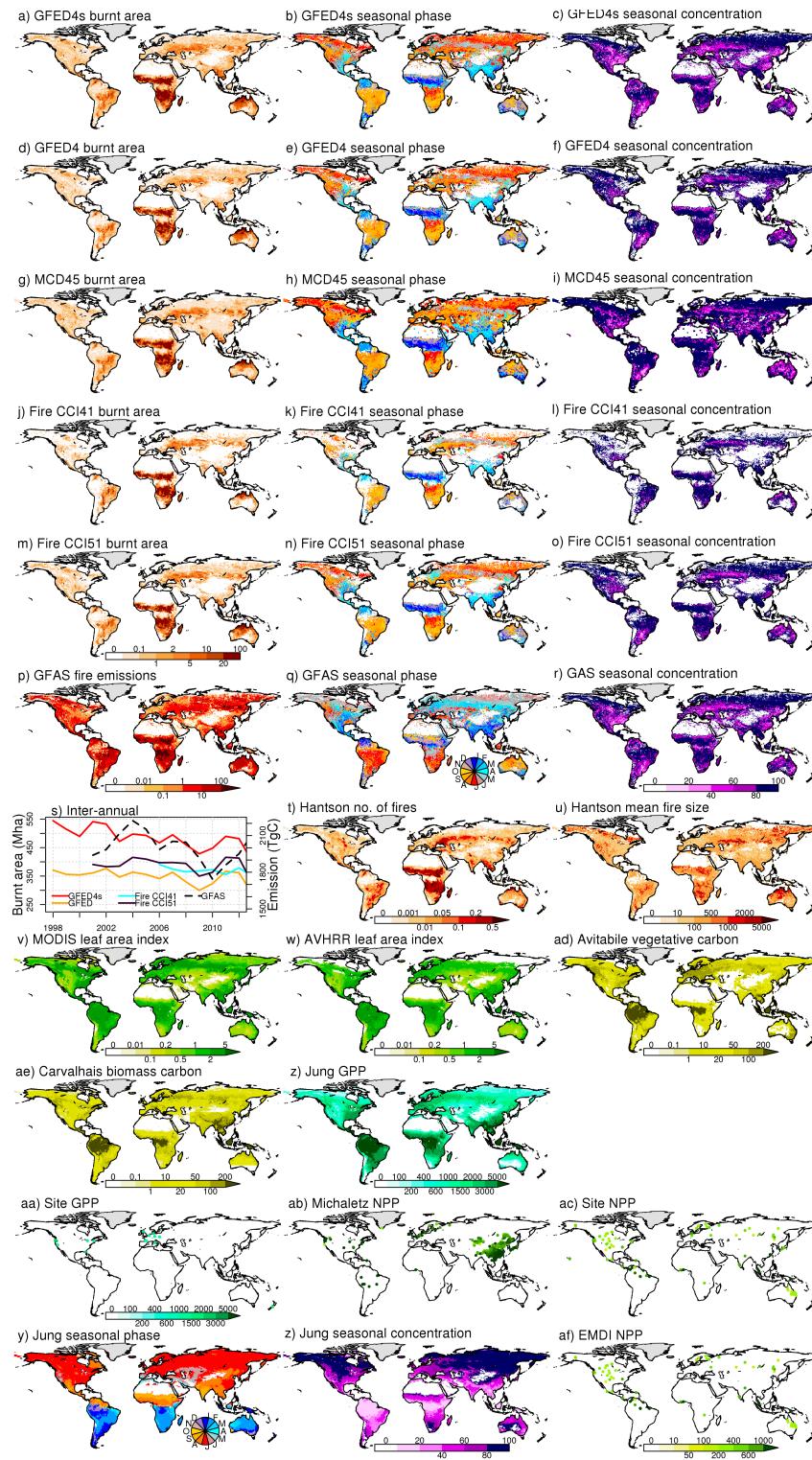
**Table S1: Full benchmarking table with all scores for each model, reference dataset and step considered.**

|                   |            |       |      | CLASS- | JULES | JSBACH | LPJ-G    | LPJ-G    | SIMFIRE  | ORCHIDEE |       |      |          |
|-------------------|------------|-------|------|--------|-------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|------|----------|
|                   | product    | step  | mean | random | CLM   | CTEM   | INFERNNO | SPITFIRE | GlobFIRM | SPITFIRE | BLAZE | MC2  | SPITFIRE |
| <b>burnt area</b> |            |       |      |        |       |        |          |          |          |          |       |      |          |
| spatial           | GFED4s     | step1 | 1    | 1.07   | 0.60  | 0.81   | 0.63     | 0.67     | 0.73     | 0.84     | 0.83  | 0.69 | 0.71     |
|                   | GFED4      | step1 | 1    | 1.14   | 0.81  | 1.06   | 0.77     | 0.88     | 0.71     | 0.98     | 0.98  | 0.78 | 0.82     |
|                   | MCD45      | step1 | 1    | 1.07   | 0.68  | 0.94   | 0.68     | 0.74     | 0.72     | 0.93     | 1.00  | 0.71 | 0.81     |
|                   | FireCCI4.0 | step1 | 1    | 1.13   | 0.75  | 0.83   | 0.78     | 0.91     | 0.70     | 0.90     | 1.01  | 0.80 | 0.81     |
|                   | FireCCI5.1 | Step1 | 1    | 1.11   | 0.83  | 1.10   | 0.81     | 0.95     | 0.71     | 0.89     | 0.99  | 0.85 | 0.74     |
|                   | GFED4s     | step2 | 1    | 1.07   | 0.62  | 0.84   | 0.71     | 0.68     | 0.98     | 0.88     | 0.83  | 0.96 | 0.72     |
|                   | GFED4      | step2 | 1    | 1.14   | 0.84  | 1.12   | 0.76     | 0.89     | 0.98     | 1.00     | 1.02  | 0.99 | 0.91     |
|                   | MCD45      | step2 | 1    | 1.16   | 0.77  | 1.08   | 0.69     | 0.84     | 0.98     | 0.95     | 1.05  | 0.97 | 0.90     |
|                   | FireCCI40  | step2 | 1    | 1.13   | 0.77  | 0.91   | 0.78     | 0.92     | 0.99     | 0.91     | 1.05  | 1.02 | 0.88     |
|                   | FireCCI51  | Step2 | 1    | 1.11   | 0.85  | 1.14   | 0.84     | 0.96     | 0.98     | 0.90     | 1.01  | 1.02 | 0.77     |
| seasonal phase    | GFED4s     | step3 | 1    | 1.07   | 0.63  | 0.79   | 0.72     | 0.70     | 1.06     | 0.94     | 0.88  | 1.00 | 0.72     |
|                   | GFED4      | step3 | 1    | 1.14   | 0.80  | 0.93   | 0.85     | 0.86     | 1.08     | 0.98     | 0.88  | 1.07 | 0.71     |
|                   | MCD45      | step3 | 1    | 1.16   | 0.65  | 0.81   | 0.72     | 0.69     | 1.12     | 0.93     | 0.92  | 1.02 | 0.70     |
|                   | FireCCI40  | step3 | 1    | 1.13   | 0.77  | 0.98   | 0.89     | 0.92     | 1.09     | 0.93     | 0.97  | 1.13 | 0.73     |
|                   | FireCCI51  | Step3 | 1    | 1.11   | 0.83  | 1.01   | 0.91     | 0.93     | 1.11     | 0.96     | 0.97  | 1.23 | 0.70     |
| seasonal          | GFED4s     | step1 | 0.56 | 0.22   | 0.12  | 0.12   | 0.13     | 0.12     |          | 0.31     |       |      | 0.31     |
| phase             | GFED4      | step1 | 0.49 | 0.47   | 0.34  | 0.35   | 0.41     | 0.42     |          | 0.33     |       |      | 0.31     |
|                   | MCD45      | step1 | 0.56 | 0.26   | 0.12  | 0.11   | 0.12     | 0.12     |          | 0.30     |       |      | 0.30     |
|                   | FireCCI51  | Step1 | 0.55 | 0.33   | 0.26  | 0.28   | 0.33     | 0.32     |          | 0.32     |       |      | 0.31     |
| seasonal          | GFED4s     | step1 | 1    | 1.36   | 1.09  | 1.22   | 1.74     | 1.37     |          | 1.07     |       |      | 1.12     |

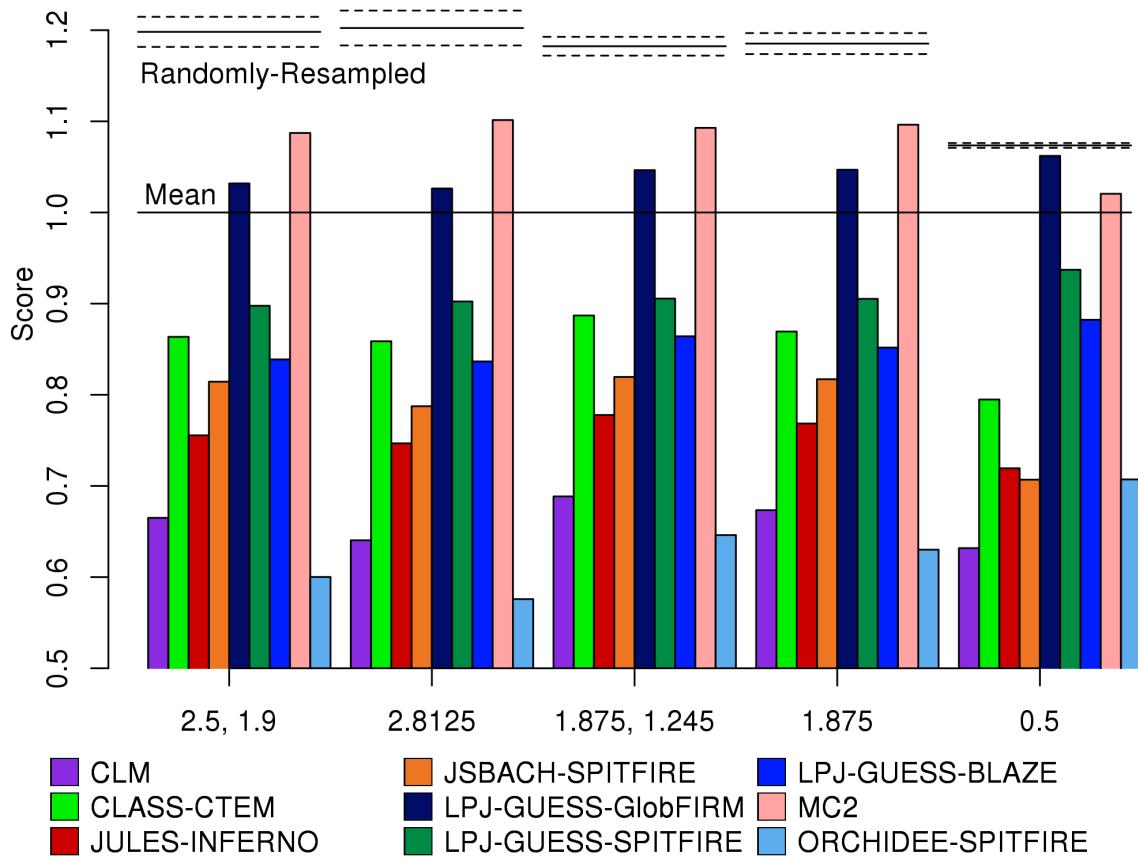
|                           |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
|                           |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| concentration             | GFED4     | step1 | 1    | 1.35 | 1.37 | 1.56 | 2.49 | 1.83 | 1.23 |      | 1.31 |      |      |
|                           | MCD45     | step1 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.26 | 1.40 | 2.40 | 1.70 | 1.15 |      | 1.23 |      |      |
|                           | FireCCI51 | Step1 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.48 | 1.72 | 2.75 | 2.06 | 1.26 |      | 1.45 |      |      |
|                           | GFED4s    | step2 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.07 | 1.20 | 1.14 | 1.28 | 1.06 |      | 1.13 |      |      |
|                           | GFED4     | step2 | 1    | 1.35 | 1.20 | 1.39 | 1.28 | 1.48 | 1.20 |      | 1.23 |      |      |
|                           | MCD45     | step2 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.18 | 1.31 | 1.29 | 1.49 | 1.15 |      | 1.21 |      |      |
|                           | FireCCI51 | Step2 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.27 | 1.53 | 1.38 | 1.64 | 1.22 |      | 1.34 |      |      |
|                           | GFED4s    | step3 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.16 | 1.15 | 1.24 | 1.15 | 1.13 |      | 1.22 |      |      |
|                           | GFED4     | step3 | 1    | 1.35 | 1.19 | 1.12 | 1.25 | 1.11 | 1.18 |      | 1.19 |      |      |
|                           | MCD45     | step3 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.14 | 1.08 | 1.26 | 1.13 | 1.12 |      | 1.20 |      |      |
|                           | FireCCI51 | Step3 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.25 | 1.22 | 1.33 | 1.21 | 1.20 |      | 1.27 |      |      |
| IAV                       | GFED4s    | step3 | 1    | 1.46 | 1.17 | 0.65 | 1.18 | 1.09 | 0.66 | 1.36 | 0.76 | 1.66 | 1.44 |
|                           | GFED4     | step3 | 1    | 1.27 | 0.98 | 1.62 | 1.23 | 0.89 | 1.04 | 1.08 | 1.00 | 1.41 | 1.25 |
|                           | MCD45     | step3 | 1    | 1.32 | 0.93 | 1.34 | 1.11 | 0.84 | 0.73 | 0.97 | 1.27 | 1.67 | 1.22 |
|                           | FireCCI51 | step3 | 1    | 1.42 | 1.18 | 1.53 | 1.24 | 1.27 | 1.73 | 1.27 | 1.23 | 1.87 | 1.12 |
| <b>fire emission</b>      |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| spatial                   | GFAS      | step1 | 1    | 1.08 | 0.72 | 1.12 | 0.74 | 0.81 | 0.75 | 0.94 | 0.95 | 0.64 | 1.11 |
|                           |           | step2 | 1    | 1.08 | 0.74 | 1.33 | 0.79 | 0.91 | 0.97 | 0.98 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.22 |
|                           |           | step3 | 1    | 1.08 | 0.78 | 0.85 | 0.73 | 0.74 | 1.13 | 1.03 | 0.91 | 1.06 | 0.86 |
| seasonal<br>phase         | GFAS      | step1 | 0.78 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 0.20 | 0.17 | 0.15 |      | 0.37 |      | 0.34 |      |
| seasonal<br>concentration | GFAS      | step1 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.14 | 1.70 | 1.71 | 1.39 |      | 1.21 |      | 1.15 |      |
|                           |           | step2 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.11 | 1.29 | 1.21 | 1.28 |      | 1.16 |      | 1.15 |      |
|                           |           | step3 | 1    | 1.36 | 1.20 | 1.22 | 1.30 | 1.17 |      | 1.27 |      | 1.25 |      |

|                    |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| IAV                | GFAS      | step3 | 1    | 1.36 | 0.77 | 1.70 | 1.28 | 1.09 | 1.42 | 1.42 | 1.11 | 1.41 | 1.49 |
| <b>fire number</b> |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| spatial            | Hantson   | step3 | 1    | 1.19 |      |      |      | 0.96 |      | 0.83 |      |      | 0.76 |
| <b>fire size</b>   |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| spatial            | Hantson   | step3 | 1    | 1.31 |      |      |      | 1.03 |      | 1.22 |      |      | 1.12 |
| <b>GPP</b>         |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| spatial            | Luyssaert | step1 | 1    | 1.39 | 2.71 | 1.28 | 1.39 | 1.48 | 2.45 | 1.83 | 2.17 |      | 1.80 |
|                    |           | step2 | 1    | 1.39 | 1.32 | 1.23 | 1.33 | 1.15 | 1.13 | 1.01 | 1.07 |      | 0.95 |
|                    |           | step3 | 1    | 1.39 | 1.49 | 1.41 | 1.46 | 1.39 | 1.41 | 1.24 | 1.37 |      | 1.09 |
| spatial            | Jung      | step1 | 1    | 1.30 | 0.61 | 0.48 | 0.49 | 0.72 | 0.47 | 0.61 | 0.45 |      | 0.46 |
|                    |           | step2 | 1    | 1.30 | 0.61 | 0.50 | 0.51 | 0.62 | 0.46 | 0.61 | 0.43 |      | 0.47 |
|                    |           | step3 | 1    | 1.30 | 0.64 | 0.46 | 0.39 | 0.42 | 0.46 | 0.67 | 0.43 |      | 0.49 |
| seasonal           | Jung      | phase | 0.42 | 0.65 | 0.18 | 0.23 | 0.19 | 0.23 |      | 0.22 |      |      | 0.22 |
|                    |           | step1 | 1    | 1.65 | 0.60 | 0.63 | 0.59 | 0.65 |      | 0.68 |      |      | 0.59 |
|                    |           | step2 | 1    | 1.65 | 0.69 | 0.74 | 0.70 | 0.76 |      | 0.77 |      |      | 0.69 |
|                    |           | step3 | 1    | 1.65 | 1.08 | 1.19 | 1.14 | 1.21 |      | 1.19 |      |      | 1.09 |
| <b>NPP</b>         |           |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| spatial            | Michaletz | step1 | 1    | 1.39 | 1.27 | 0.99 | 1.16 | 1.12 | 1.48 | 1.60 | 1.55 | 1.03 | 1.28 |
|                    |           | step2 | 1    | 1.39 | 0.79 | 0.77 | 0.77 | 0.78 | 0.86 | 0.85 | 0.84 | 0.84 | 0.87 |
|                    |           | step3 | 1    | 1.39 | 0.82 | 0.79 | 0.77 | 0.75 | 0.96 | 0.86 | 0.89 | 0.88 | 0.99 |
| spatial            | Luyssaert | step1 | 1    | 1.33 | 0.88 | 1.34 | 0.62 | 1.90 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.74 | 1.11 | 0.78 |
|                    |           | step2 | 1    | 1.33 | 0.89 | 1.26 | 0.61 | 1.00 | 0.78 | 0.77 | 0.75 | 1.16 | 0.77 |

|                             |            |       |   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
|                             |            | step3 | 1 | 1.33 | 0.90 | 1.01 | 0.53 | 0.76 | 0.82 | 0.87 | 0.79 | 0.68 | 0.84 |
| spatial                     | EMDI       | step1 | 1 | 1.30 | 0.77 | 0.94 | 0.58 | 1.05 | 0.74 | 0.77 | 0.76 | 0.97 | 0.79 |
|                             |            | step2 | 1 | 1.30 | 0.80 | 0.96 | 0.59 | 0.89 | 0.75 | 0.72 | 0.76 | 1.00 | 0.77 |
|                             |            | step3 | 1 | 1.30 | 0.91 | 0.87 | 0.58 | 0.66 | 0.79 | 0.83 | 0.81 | 0.65 | 0.80 |
| <b>LAI</b>                  |            |       |   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| spatial                     | MCD15      | step1 | 1 | 1.29 | 0.96 | 0.76 | 0.78 | 0.88 | 0.69 | 1.85 | 0.66 | 1.89 |      |
|                             |            | step2 | 1 | 1.29 | 1.07 | 0.83 | 0.73 | 0.74 | 0.67 | 1.73 | 0.58 | 1.63 |      |
|                             |            | step3 | 1 | 1.29 | 0.60 | 0.53 | 0.44 | 0.78 | 0.70 | 0.61 | 0.57 | 0.63 |      |
| spatial                     | AVHRR      | step1 | 1 | 1.34 | 1.38 | 1.43 | 1.03 | 0.74 | 0.79 | 2.57 | 0.81 | 2.58 |      |
|                             |            | step2 | 1 | 1.34 | 1.54 | 0.90 | 0.80 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 1.77 | 0.60 | 1.67 |      |
|                             |            | step3 | 1 | 1.34 | 0.81 | 0.71 | 0.49 | 0.65 | 0.74 | 0.62 | 0.61 | 0.64 |      |
| <b>Carbon in vegetation</b> |            |       |   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| spatial                     | Abitabile  | step1 | 1 | 1.32 | 0.73 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 1.35 | 1.30 | 1.27 | 1.30 | 1.27 | 0.73 |
|                             |            | step2 | 1 | 1.32 | 0.67 | 0.86 | 0.78 | 1.00 | 0.96 | 0.97 | 0.86 | 0.96 | 0.66 |
|                             |            | step3 | 1 | 1.32 | 0.69 | 0.88 | 0.76 | 0.78 | 0.76 | 0.76 | 0.74 | 0.80 | 0.70 |
| spatial                     | Carvalhais | step1 | 1 | 1.32 | 0.64 | 0.68 | 0.61 | 0.65 | 0.68 | 0.65 | 0.63 | 0.66 | 0.51 |
|                             |            | step2 | 1 | 1.32 | 0.65 | 0.70 | 0.61 | 0.65 | 0.63 | 0.66 | 0.61 | 0.66 | 0.53 |
|                             |            | step3 | 1 | 1.32 | 0.66 | 0.66 | 0.58 | 0.64 | 0.62 | 0.66 | 0.58 | 0.67 | 0.54 |



**Figure S1: Overview of the reference datasets used.**



**Figure S2:** Benchmark scores for each model compared against GFED4s burnt area step 3 at different resolutions for CLM, CLASS-CTEM, JULES-inferno, JSBACH, LPJ-GUESS-GlobFIRM, LPJ-GUESS-SPITFIRE, LPJ-GUESS-BLAZE, MC2 and ORCHIDEE respectively. Each block (left to right) shows the comparison conducted by resampling model output and GFED4s to the  $2.5 \times 1.9^\circ$  grid of CLM;  $2.8125 \times 2.8125^\circ$  CLASS-CTEM grid;  $1.875 \times 1.25^\circ$  JULES-INFERNO grid,  $1.875 \times 1.875^\circ$  JSBACH-SPITFIRE grid; and the  $0.5 \times 0.5^\circ$  grid used by all other models and for the benchmarking.