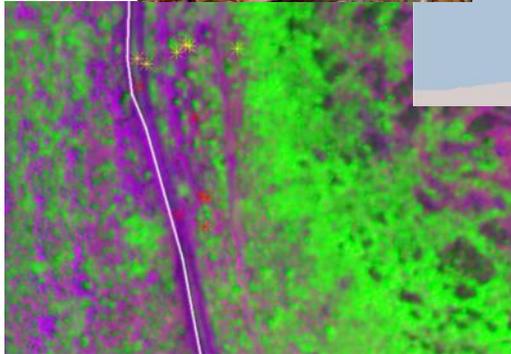
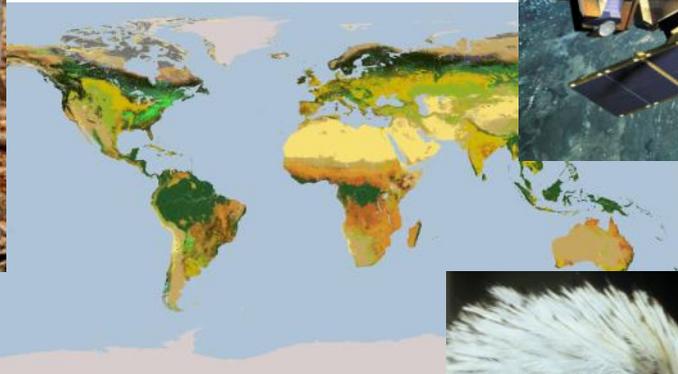


Integrating global species distributions, remote sensing and climate data to model change in species distributions



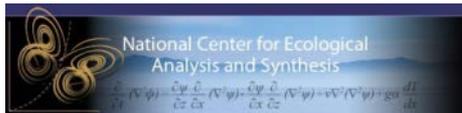
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Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity & Ecosystem Services



Platform work programme 2014–2018: Objectives and associated deliverables

Objective 1: Strengthen the **capacity and knowledge foundations** of the science-policy interface to implement key functions of the Platform:

- Priority capacity-building needs to implement the Platform's work programme matched with resources through catalysing financial and in-kind support
- Capacities needed to implement the Platform work programme developed
- Procedures, approaches for participatory processes for working with indigenous and local knowledge systems developed
- Priority knowledge and data needs for policymaking addressed through catalyzing efforts to generate new knowledge and networking**

Objective 2: Strengthen the **science-policy interface** on biodiversity and ecosystem services at and across subregional, regional and global levels:

- Guide on production and integration of assessments** from and across all scales
- Regional/subregional assessments** on biodiversity, ecosystem services
- Global assessment on biodiversity and ecosystem services**

Objective 3: Strengthen the science-policy interface on biodiversity and ecosystem services with regard to thematic and methodological issues:

- One fast track thematic assessment of pollinators, pollination and food production
- Three thematic assessments: land degradation and restoration; **invasive alien species**; and **sustainable use and conservation of biodiversity** and strengthening capacities/tools
- Policy support tools and methodologies for scenario analysis and modelling of biodiversity and ecosystem services** based on a fast track assessment and a guide
- Policy support tools and methodologies regarding the diverse conceptualization of values of biodiversity and nature's benefits to people including ecosystem services based on an assessment and a guide

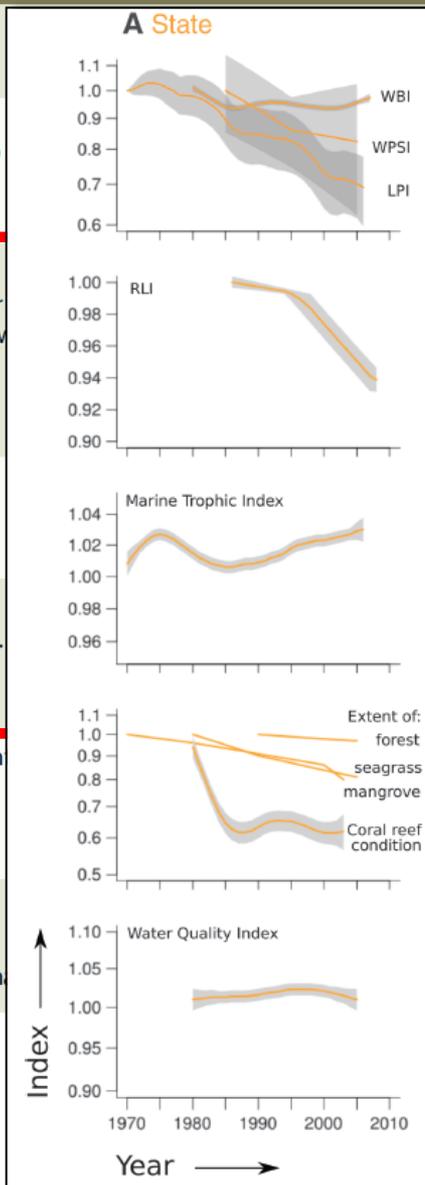
Objective 4: Communicate and evaluate Platform activities, deliverables and findings:

- Catalogue of relevant assessments
- Development of an information and data management plan
- Catalogue of policy support tools and methodologies
- Set of communication, outreach and engagement strategies, products and processes
- Reviews of the effectiveness of guidance, procedures, methods and approaches to inform future development of the Platform

Essential Biodiversity Variables

EXAMPLES OF CANDIDATE ESSENTIAL BIODIVERSITY VARIABLES

EBV class	EBV examples	Measurement and scalability	Relevance for CBD targets and indicators (1,9)
Genetic composition	Allelic diversity	Genotypes of selected species (e.g., endangered, domesticated) at representative locations.	Targets: 12, 13. Indicators: Trends in genetic diversity of selected species and of domesticated animals and cultivated plants; RLI.
Species populations	Abundances and distributions	Counts or presence surveys for groups of species easy to monitor important for ES, over an extensive network of sites, complemented with incidental data.	Targets: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15. Indicators: LPI; WBI; RLI; population and extinction risk trends of target species, forest specialists in forests under restoration, and species that provide ES; trends in invasive alien species; trends in climatic impacts on populations.
Species traits	Phenology	Timing of leaf coloration by RS, with in situ validation.	Targets: 10, 15. Indicators: Trends in extent and rate of shifts of boundaries of vulnerable ecosystems.
Community composition	Taxonomic diversity	Consistent multitaxa surveys and metagenomics at select locations.	Targets: 8, 10, 14. Indicators: Trends in condition and vulnerability of ecosystems; trends in climatic impacts on community composition.
Ecosystem structure	Habitat structure	RS of cover (or biomass) by height (or depth) globally or regionally.	Targets: 5, 11, 14, 15. Indicators: Extent of forest and forest types; mangrove extent; seagrass extent; extent of habitats that provide carbon storage.
Ecosystem function	Nutrient retention	Nutrient output/input ratios measured at select locations. Combine with RS to model region	Targets: 5, 8, 14. Indicators: Trends in delivery of multiple ES; trends in condition and vulnerability of ecosystems.

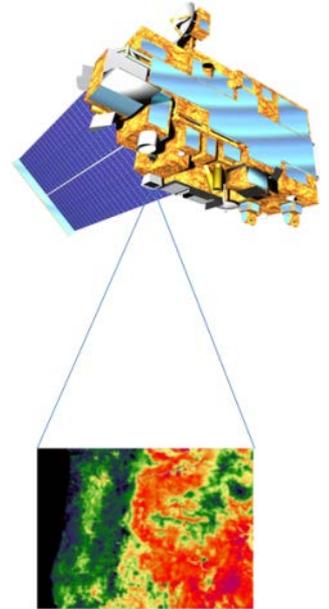


ECOLOGY Essential Biodiversity Variables

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Global Biodiversity Monitoring



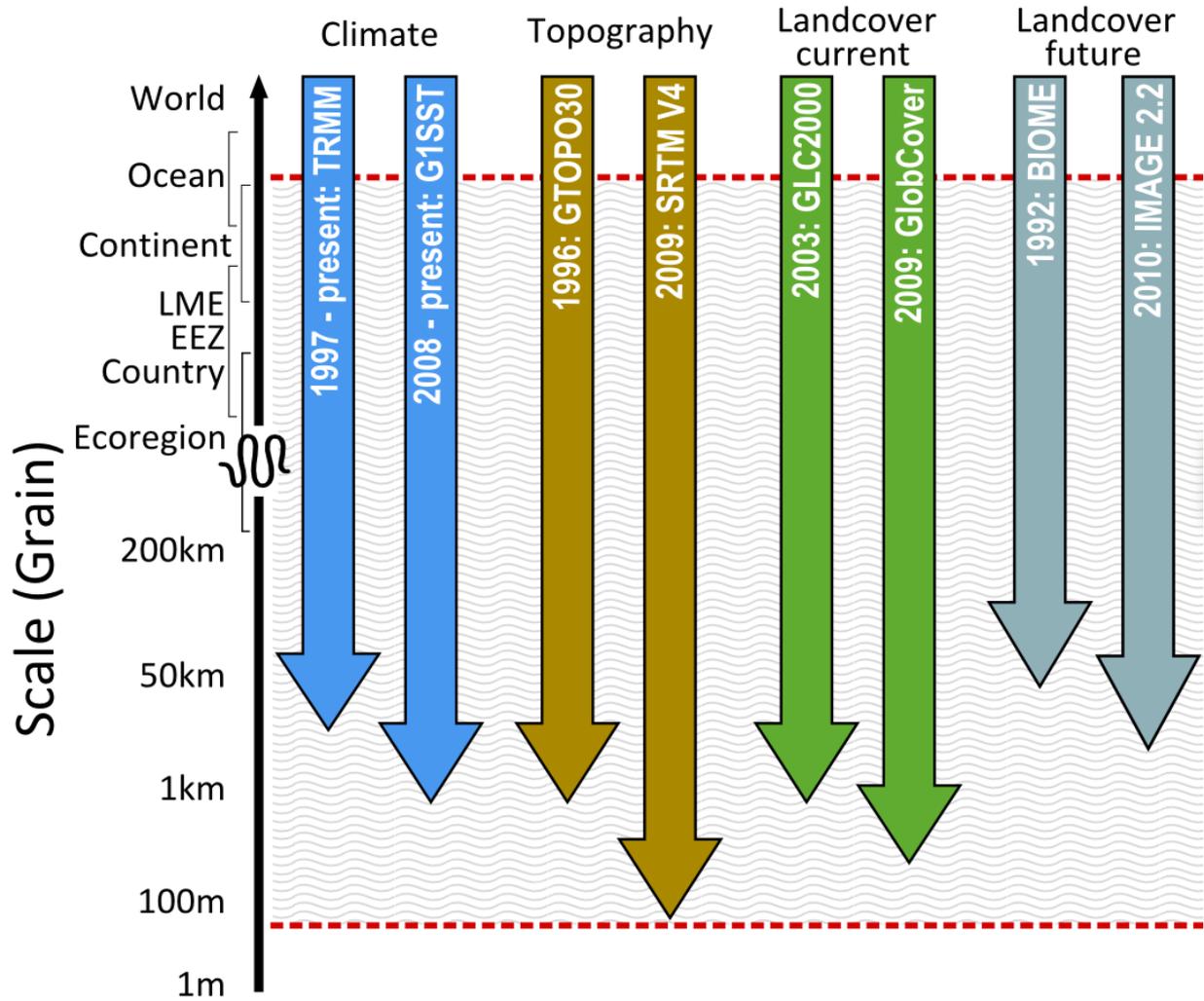
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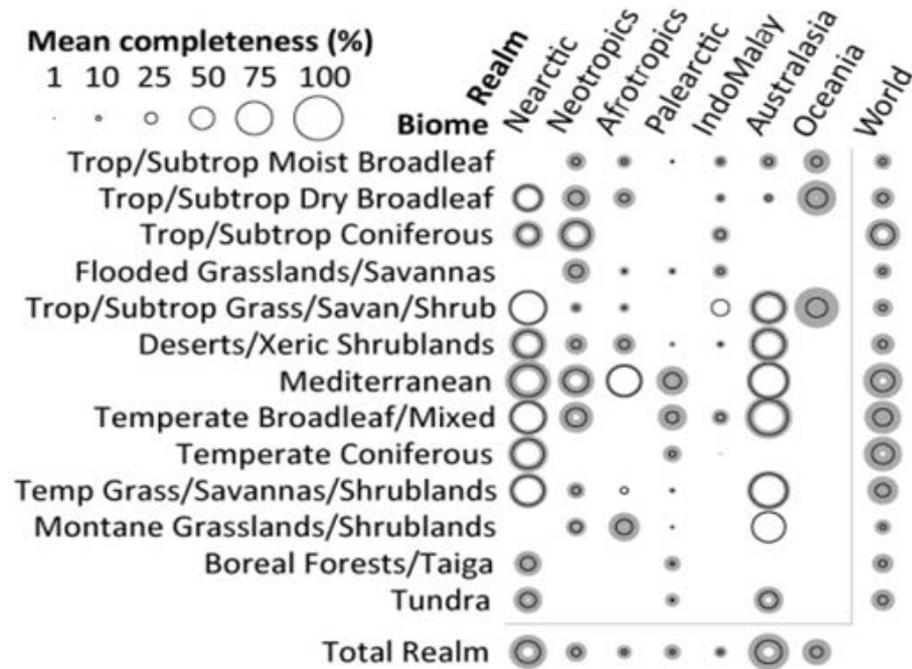
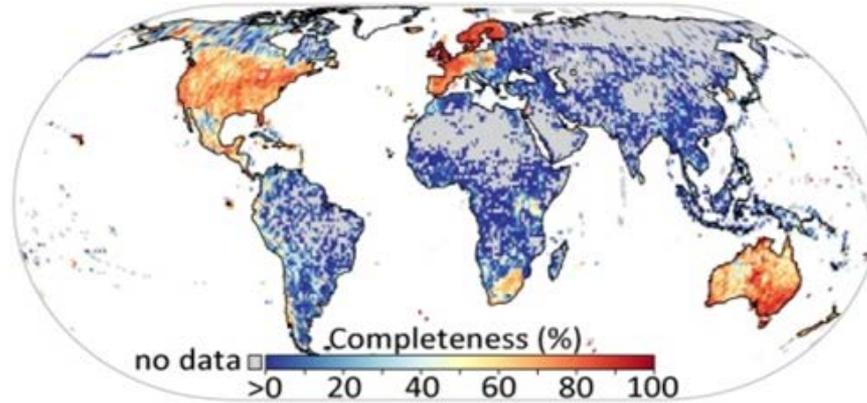
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Species Distributions



Species Distributions



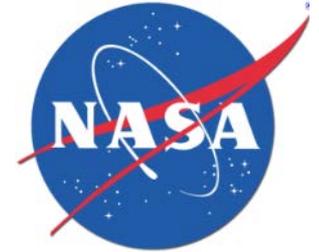
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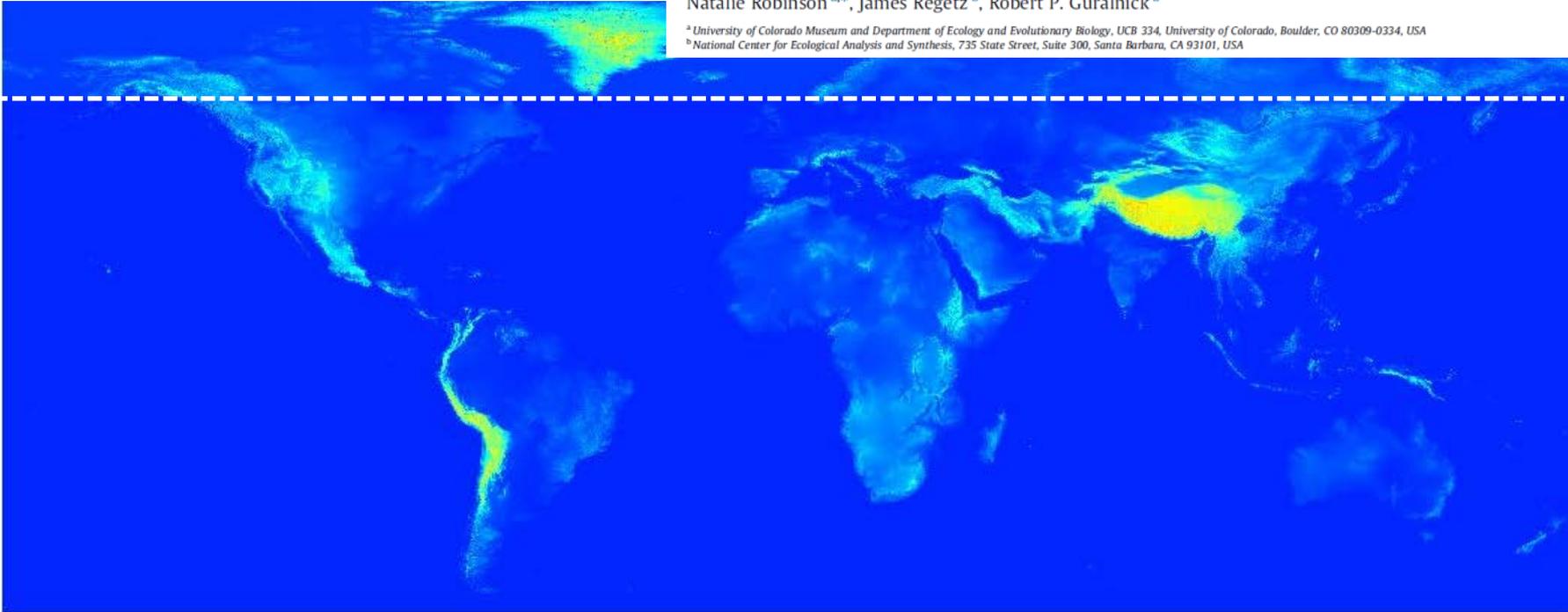


EarthEnv-DEM90: A nearly-global, void-free, multi-scale smoothed, 90m digital elevation model from fused ASTER and SRTM data

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ASTER GDEM V2

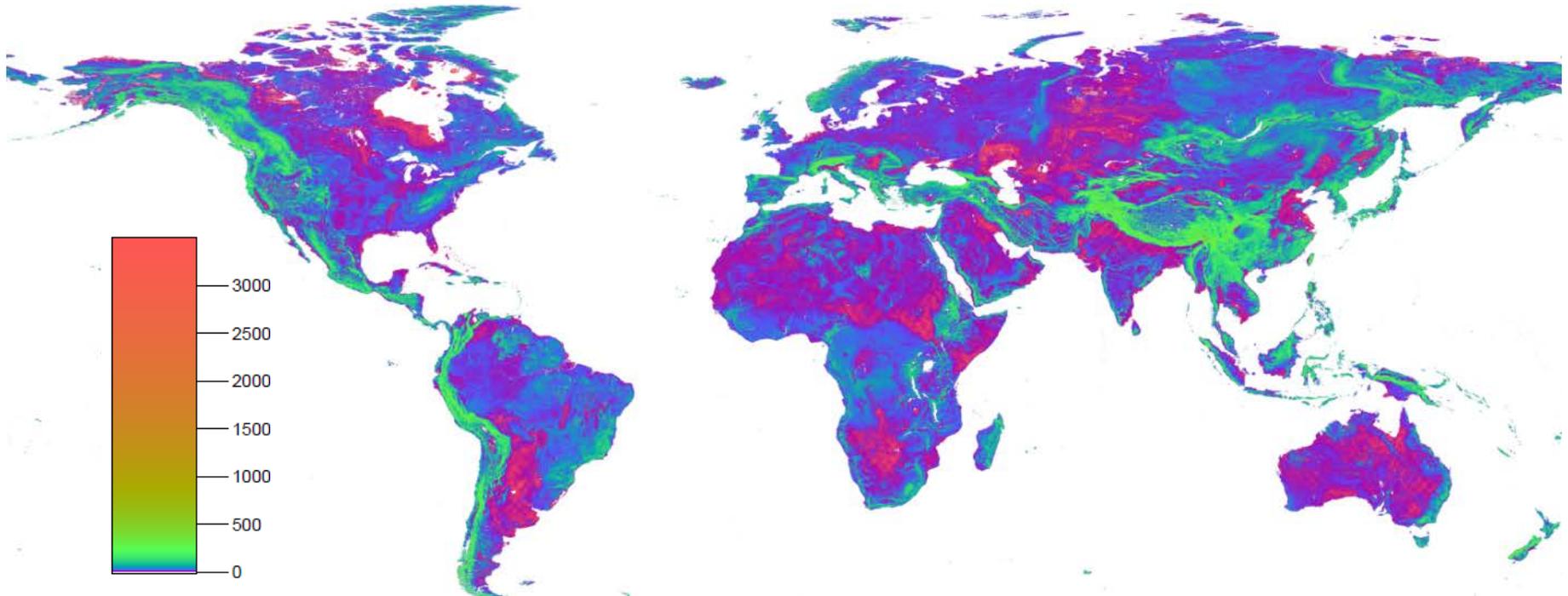


SRTM V4

Blended, void-filled, multi-scale smoothed

For global derivation of terrain variables and distribution modeling

Terrain variables



Median roughness, 1km

Consensus land cover

Global Ecology and Biogeography, (Global Ecol. Biogeogr.) (2014)

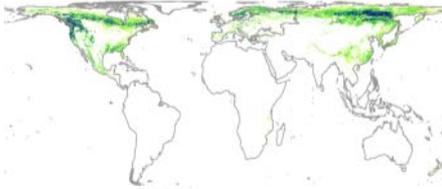
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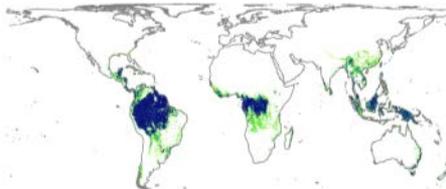
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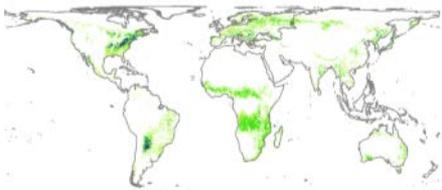
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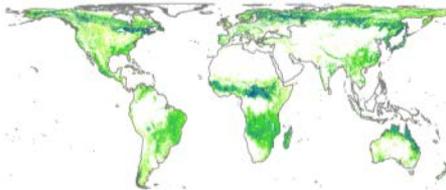
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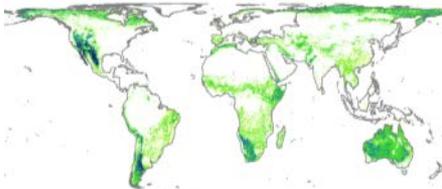
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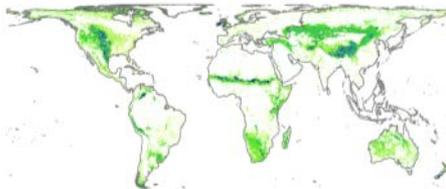
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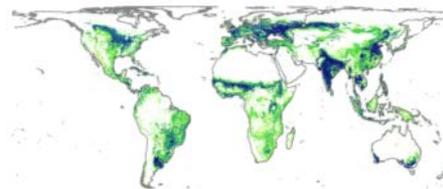
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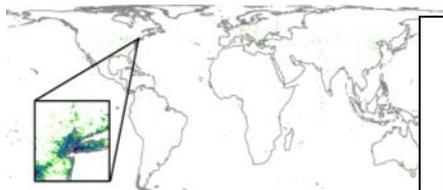
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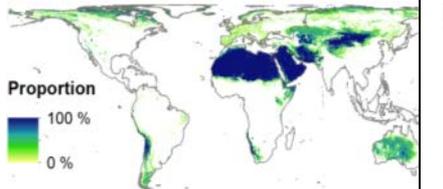
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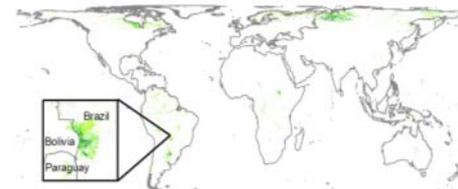
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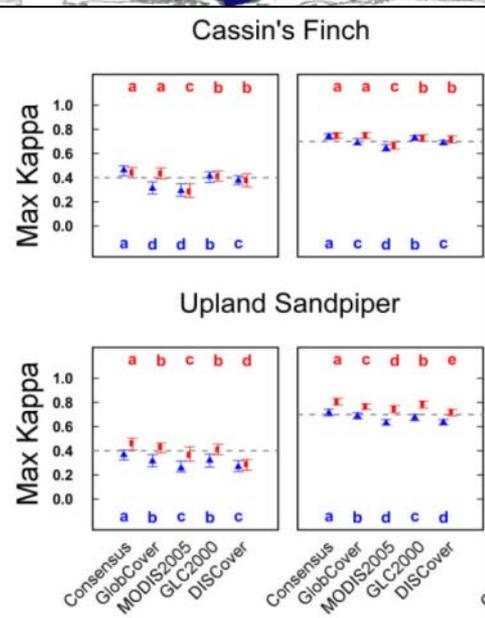


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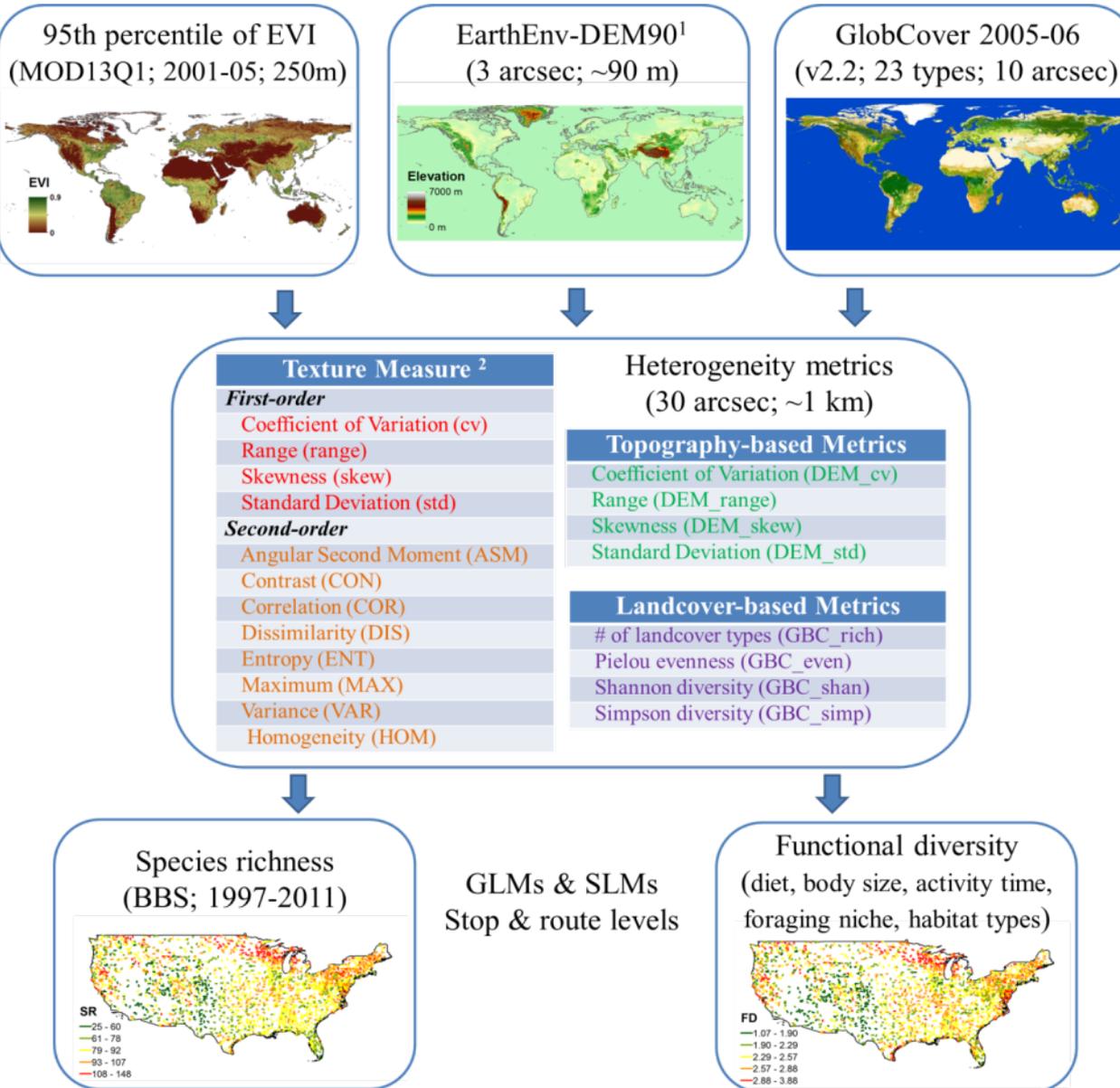


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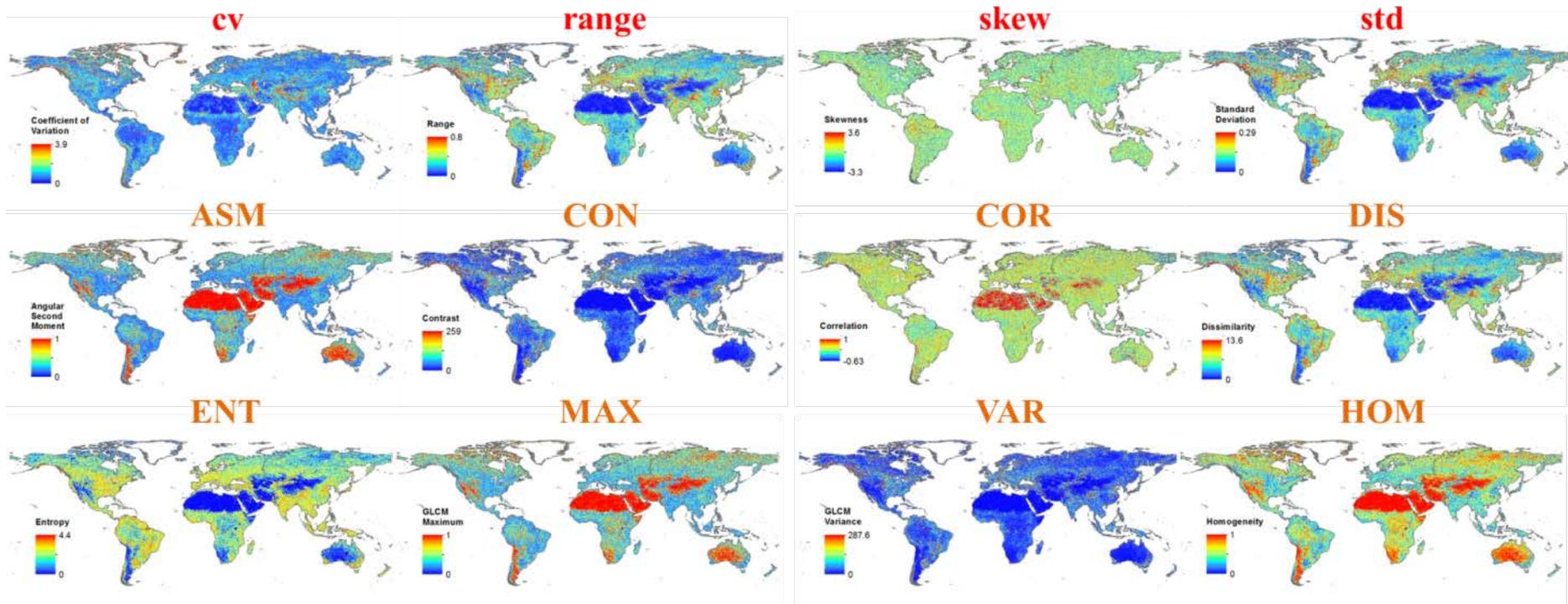
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Heterogeneity metrics



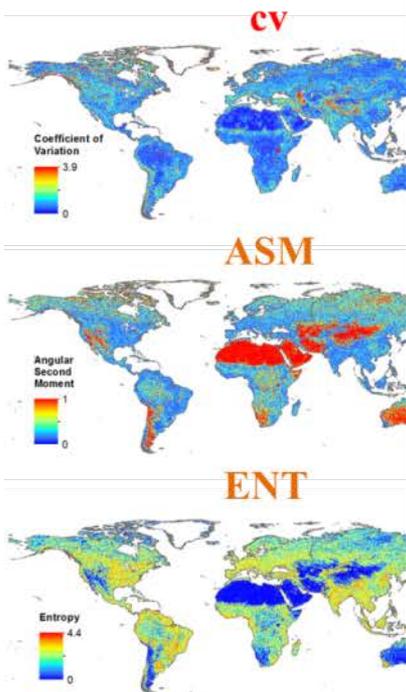
Heterogeneity metrics



First- and second-order texture measures calculated at ~1-km resolution

Utility for biodiversity modeling: Models built with texture measures, compared to those built with conventional metrics, generally explain more deviance in bird species richness and functional diversity across the conterminous US.

Heterogeneity metrics



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Global 1-km Consensus Land Cover

The datasets integrate multiple global remote sensing-derived land-cover products and provide consensus information on the prevalence of 12 land-cover classes at 1-km resolution. For additional information about the integration approach and the evaluations of the datasets, please see the associated journal article:

[Tuanmu, M.-N. and W. Jetz. 2014. A global 1-km consensus land-cover product for biodiversity and ecosystem modeling. *Global Ecology and Biogeography* DOI: 10.1111/geb.12182.](#)

Dataset Details

Two versions of the consensus land-cover datasets are available. The full version is the dataset integrating GlobCover (2005-06; v2.2), the MODIS land-cover product (MCD12Q1; v051), GLC2000 (global product; v1.1), and DISCover (GLCC; v2). The reduced version is the dataset integrating the first three products only (i.e., without DISCover).

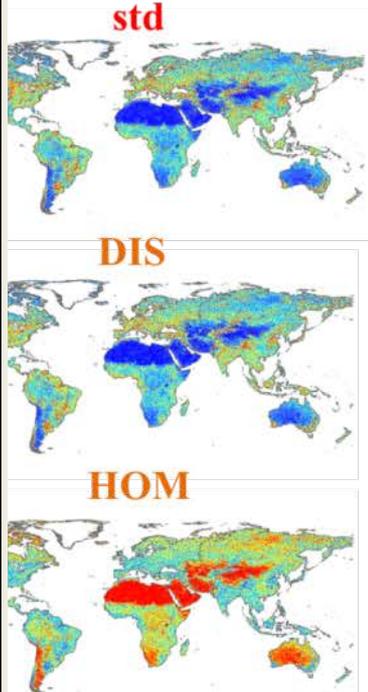
Each dataset contains 12 data layers, each of which provides consensus information on the prevalence of one land-cover class. All data layers contain unsigned 8-bit values and the valid values range from 0-100, representing the consensus prevalence in percentage. All data layers have a spatial extent from 90°N – 56°S and from 180°W – 180°E, and have a spatial resolution of 30 arc-second per pixel (~1 km per pixel at the equator).

Dataset Download

The datasets can be downloaded in the GeoTiff format for individual land-cover classes (20~100MB each).

Full Version 1.0 (with DISCover)

Class	Description	Download options
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First- and second-order

Utility for measures generally functional

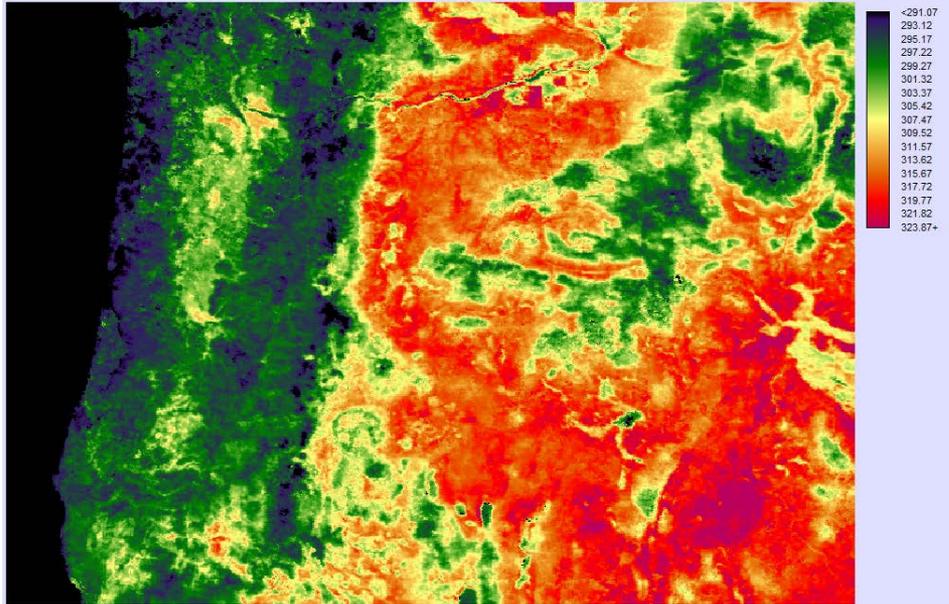
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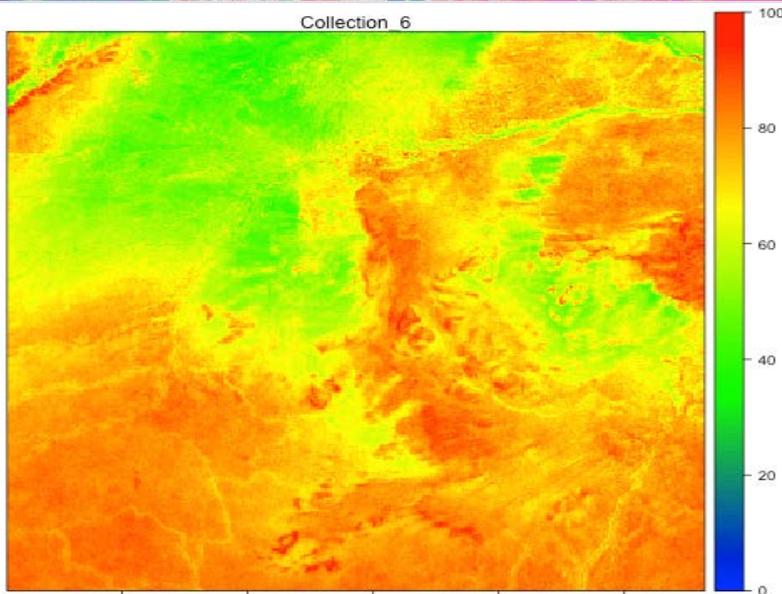
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Temperature & Precipitation



Collection 6



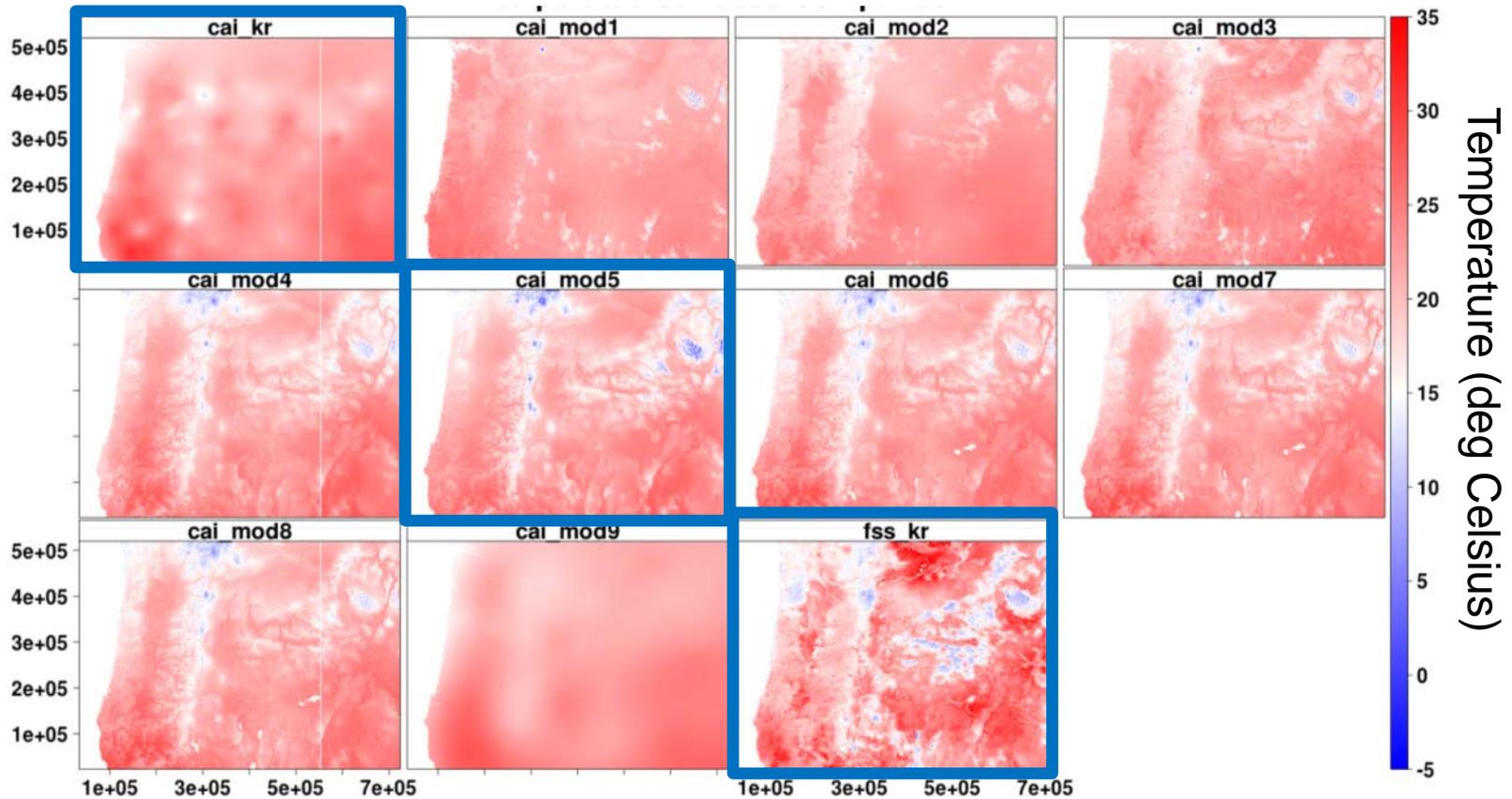
Satellite-Station Data Fusion

Temperature:
MODIS LST (MOD11A1)

Precipitation:
MODIS Cloud Product
(MOD06, MOD09)

Goal: Develop daily 1km surfaces of tmax, tmin, and ppt with MODIS and climate station data (1980-2014).

Air Temperature

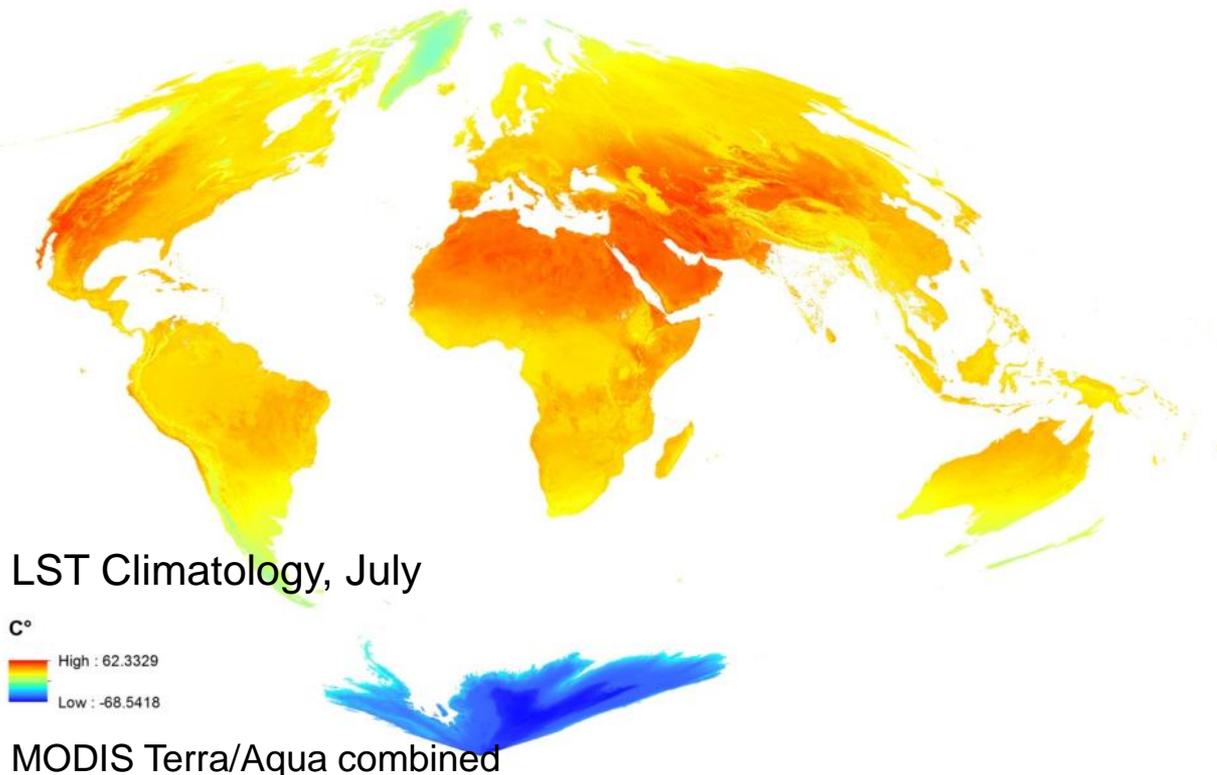


Max. temperature, 1 Sep. 2010
 Climate aided interpolation
 Comparison of models

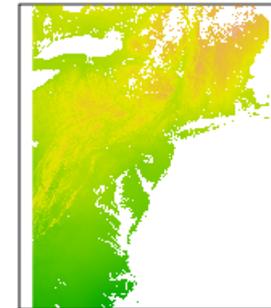
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cai_mod3	$T_{Max} \sim f(\text{lat}, \text{LST})$
cai_mod4	$T_{Max} \sim f(\text{lat}) + f(\text{lon}) + f(\text{elev})$
cai_mod5	$T_{Max} \sim f(\text{lat}, \text{lon}, \text{elev})$
cai_mod6	$T_{Max} \sim f(\text{lat}, \text{lon}) + f(\text{elev}) + f(\text{N}_w, \text{E}_w) + f(\text{LST})$
cai_mod7	$T_{Max} \sim f(\text{lat}, \text{lon}) + f(\text{elev}) + f(\text{N}_w, \text{E}_w) + f(\text{LST}) + f(\text{LC1})$
cai_mod8	$T_{Max} \sim f(\text{lat}, \text{lon}) + f(\text{elev}) + f(\text{N}_w, \text{E}_w) + f(\text{LST}) + f(\text{LC3})$
cai_mod9	$T_{Max} \sim f(x) + f(y)$
cai_kr	CAI_kr: $y_{var} \sim t_{max}$

Air Temperature

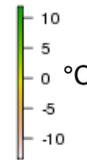
- Fusion of MODIS LST (monthly climatologies) and observations from meteorological stations (daily)
- Global MODIS data processing and testing of models for data fusion on NEX
- Current work focused on addressing data gaps in India / NW Amazon due to persistent cloud cover during June – Aug



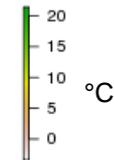
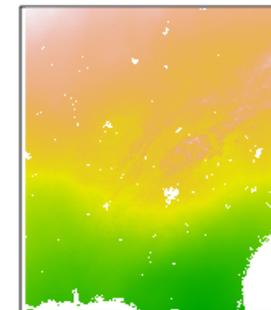
Northeast U.S.



Sample results, air temp., Jan 1., 2010, (GAM Fusion approach)



Southeast U.S.





Cloud Cover

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Systematic land cover bias in Collection 5 MODIS cloud mask and derived products – A global overview

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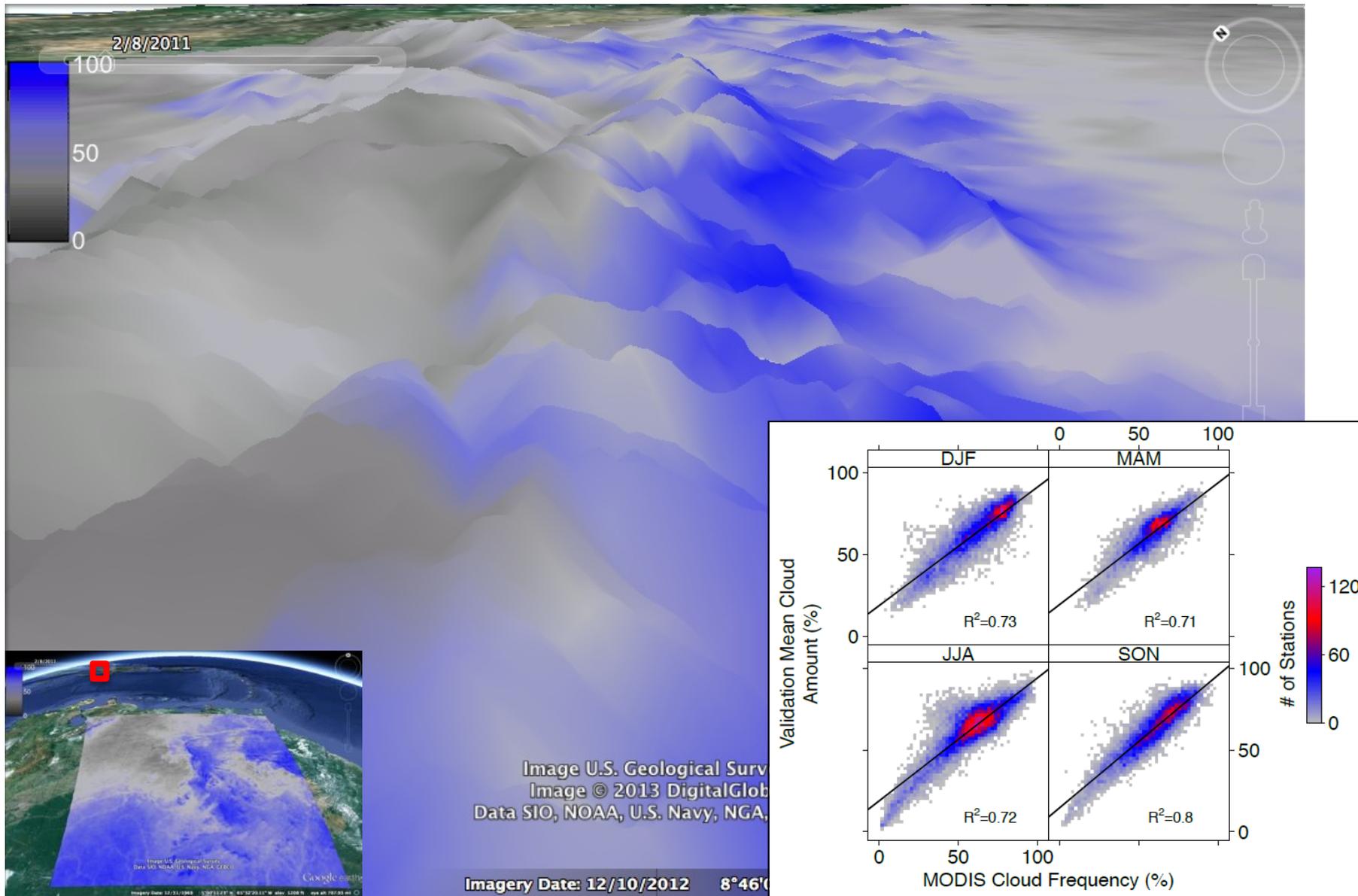
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Solar radiation
Precipitation
Evaporation
Soil Moisture
Leaf-wetness
Drought-stress
Photosynthetic Activity
Animal Behavior
Growth rate

- Clouds directly affect energy and moisture transport, which in turn affect many biological processes.
- Cloud dynamics can vary drastically over small spatial (~2 km) grains due to atmospheric circulation, topography
- Existing cloud products available only at relatively coarse spatial grains (8-110 km).
- Here: a new MODIS-derived 1-km cloud climatology (MODCF) for use in ecological and species distribution modeling.

Cloud Cover

MOD35 Cloud Frequency (%) in February

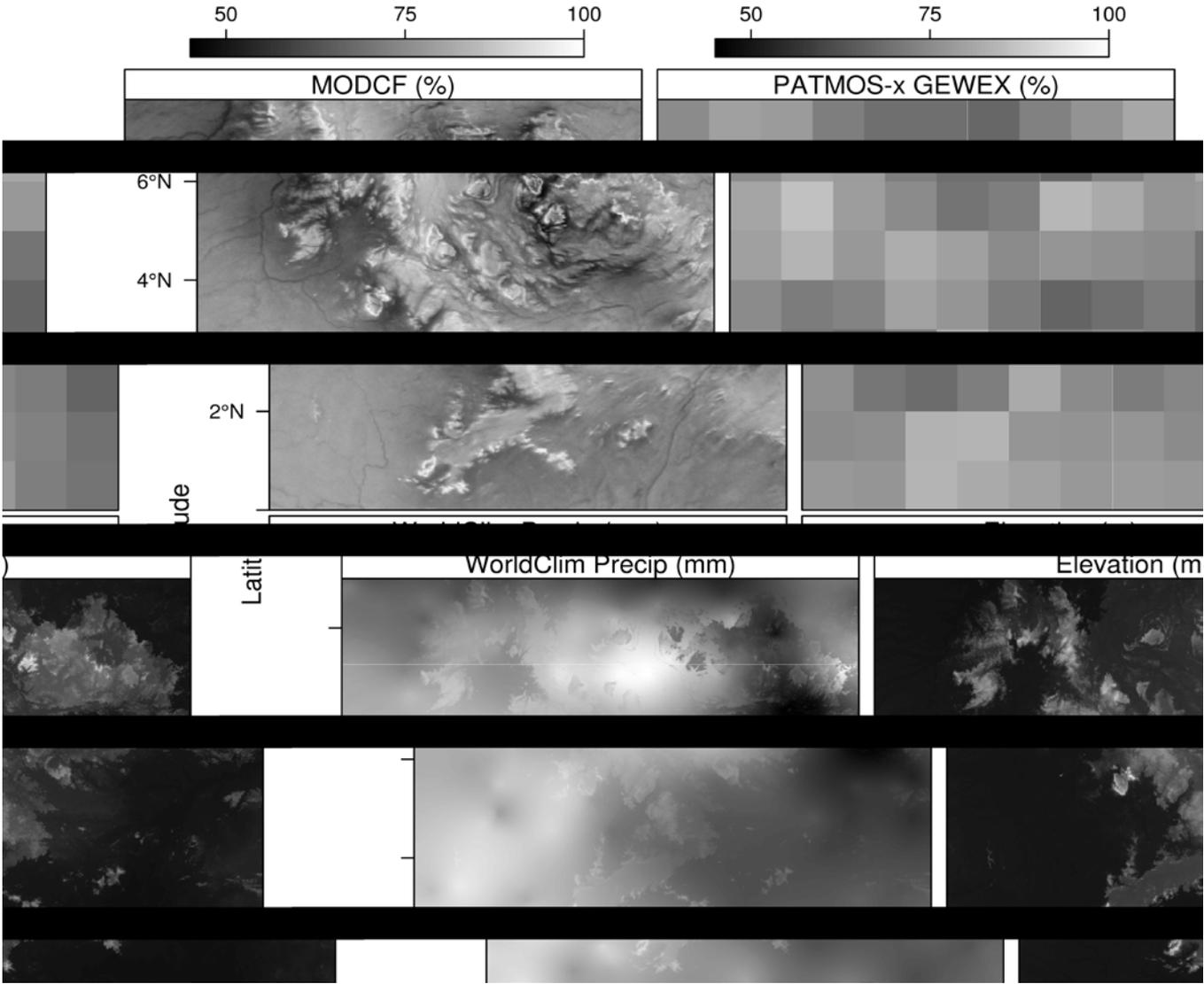


Cloud Cover

Mean Annual Cloud Frequency (2000-14) (%)



Cloud Cover



Cloud Cover



MODCF (%)

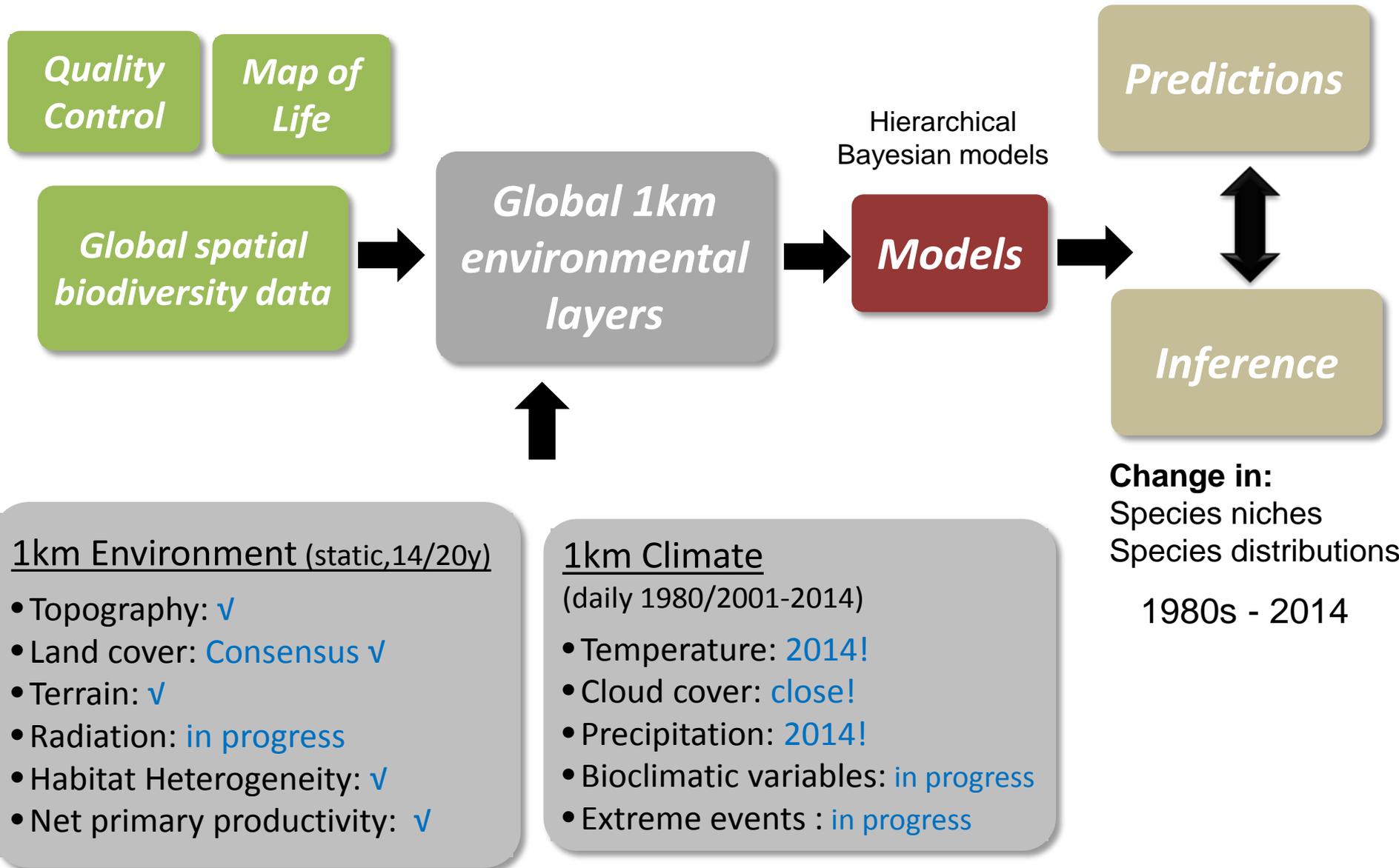
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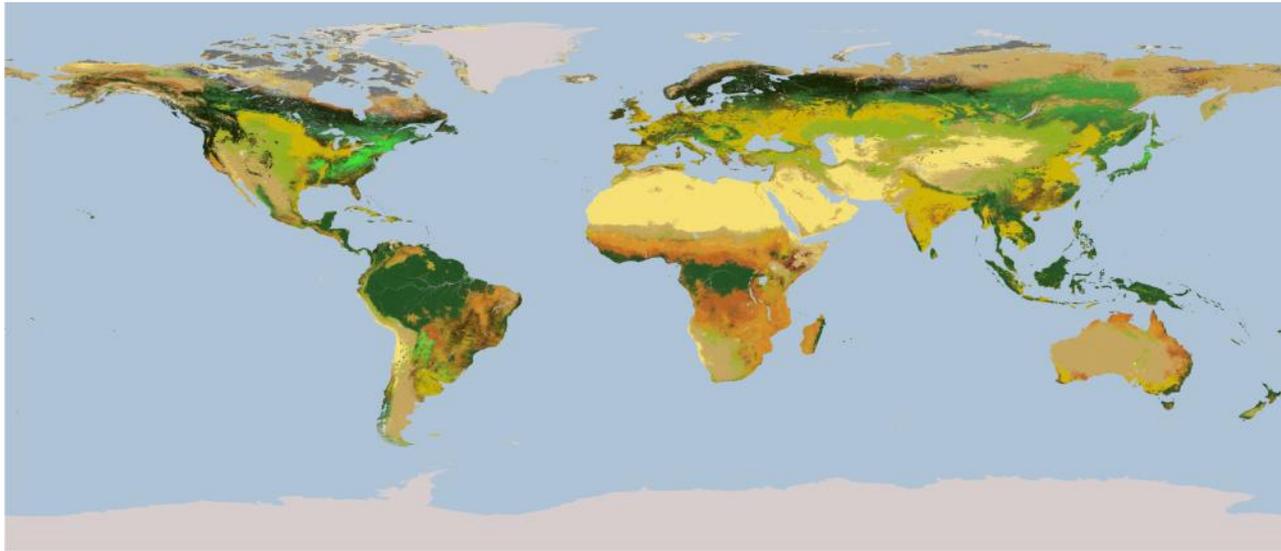
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I. Sample- and model-based Biodiversity Monitoring

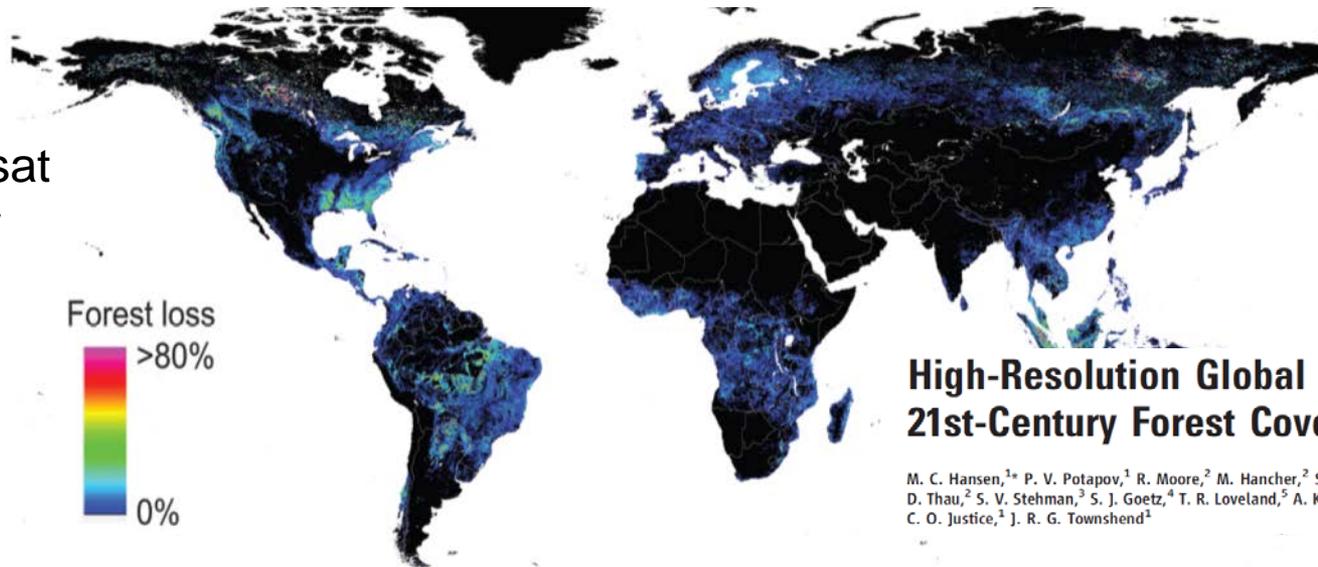


II. Range-, Land-cover based Biodiversity Monitoring

1km MODIS
Land cover



30m Landsat
Tree cover



High-Resolution Global Maps of 21st-Century Forest Cover Change

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II. Range-, Land-cover based Biodiversity Monitoring



Species Range Refinement

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Range Map Refinement Habitat Change Analysis

Species range maps are expert estimations of where a species can potentially live. However the area within a given range encompasses a wide variety of habitats, and the actual area inhabited by the species may in fact be much smaller. This tool allows expert range maps to be refined by known species habitat and elevation preferences.

Ruwenzori Turaco
Ruwenzorornis johnstoni

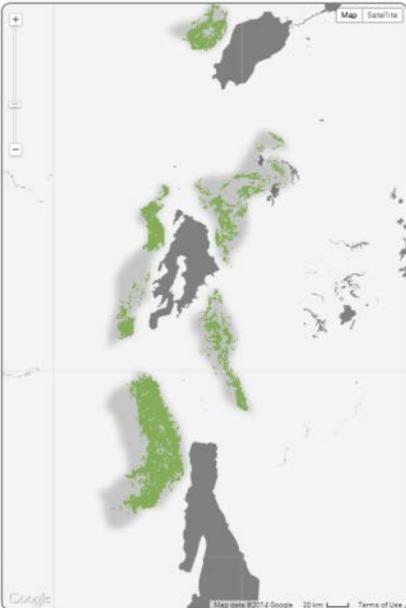
Class: Aves
Order: Musophagiformes
Elevation range: 2000m to 3600m
Forest coverage: any

Select habitats for this species

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<input type="checkbox"/> Closed Shrublands	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban and Built-up
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Shrublands	<input type="checkbox"/> Cropland/Natural Vegetation Mosaics
<input type="checkbox"/> Woody Savannas	<input type="checkbox"/> Snow and Ice Barren
<input type="checkbox"/> Savannas	<input type="checkbox"/> Barren
<input type="checkbox"/> Grasslands	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Bodies
<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Wetlands	

Expert range area: 16,682 km²
Refined range area: 5,920 km²
Occurrences recorded in range outside refined area:
Occurrences recorded outside range:
Occurrences recorded in refined area:

Ruwenzorornis johnstoni [or click here for a random species.](#)



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