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# **UV-history in Europe: A comparison of UV-Reconstruction Models**

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## Objectives

- Reconstruction of past UV beyond onset of UV-measurements

## Driven by

- Recognition that long-term exposure is key parameters for adverse health effects
- Understanding current and development of UV-burden

## Phase 1

- Model intercomparison and model ↔ measurement, 4 sites

## Phase 2

- Establish best approach, and final reconstruction at 8 sites

# UV reconstruction Models

5 models: Neural Networks(2) & Physical-Emperical(3)

## Neural Network:

Input: SZA, ozone, global radiation, aod, ground albedo, visibility, sunshine duration

Delivarable: daily UV-dose cloudy sky

Required: training period for each site

## Physical-Emprical:

Input: SZA, ozone, global radiation, aod, ground albedo, visibility, sunshine duration, total water vapor column

Delivarable: daily UV-dose cloudy sky & clear sky

Required: established correlation for global radiation <-> UV (once)

Training      Validation

2000-2004    rest of available UV-data

# Used data

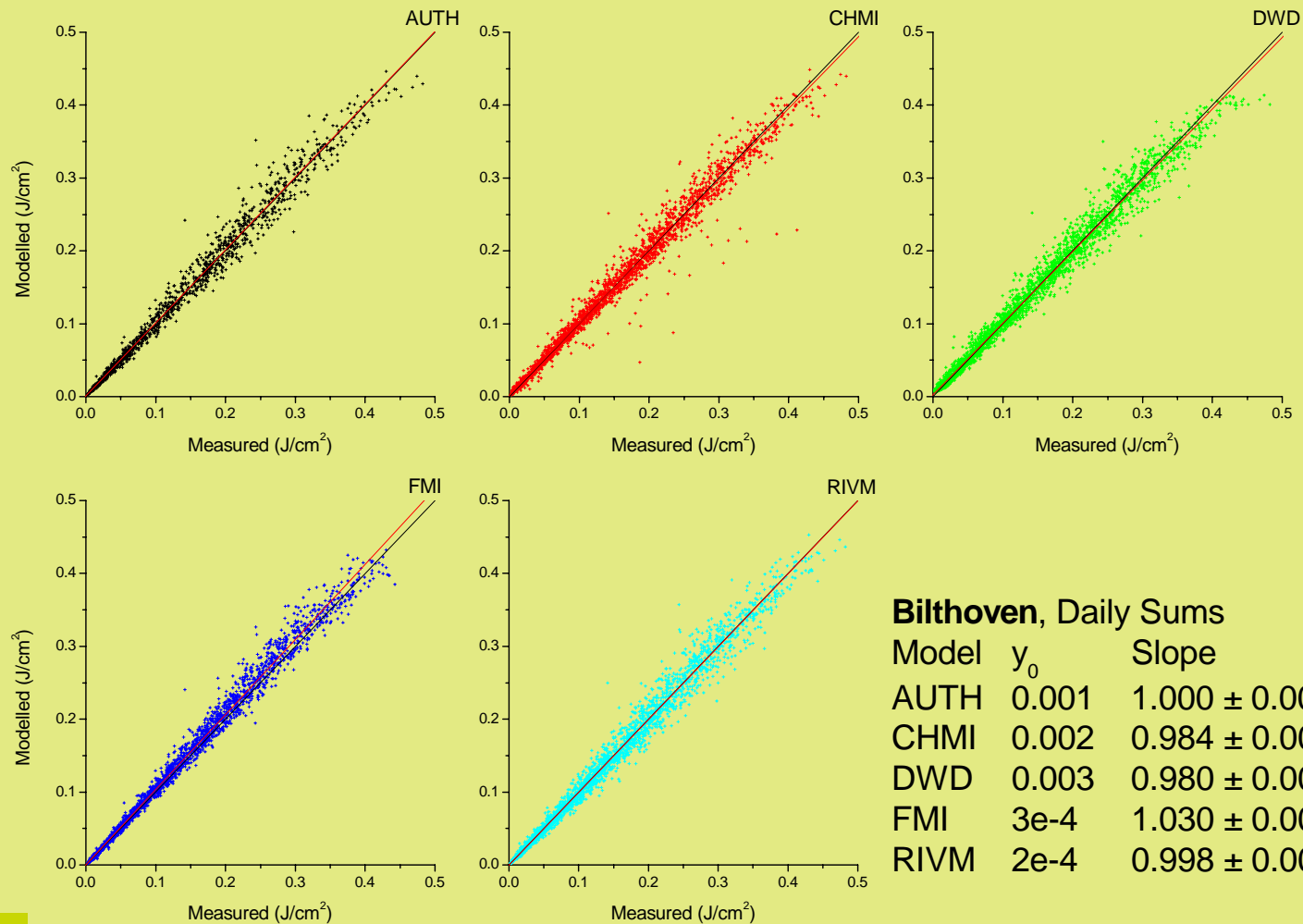
## Available Spectral UV data: validation and training

	Thessaloniki	Potsdam	Bilthoven	Jokioinen
Daily doses	1992-2005	1995-2003	1996-2005	1995-2005
Hourly doses	1992-2005			
Momentary dose rates			1996-2005	1995-2005

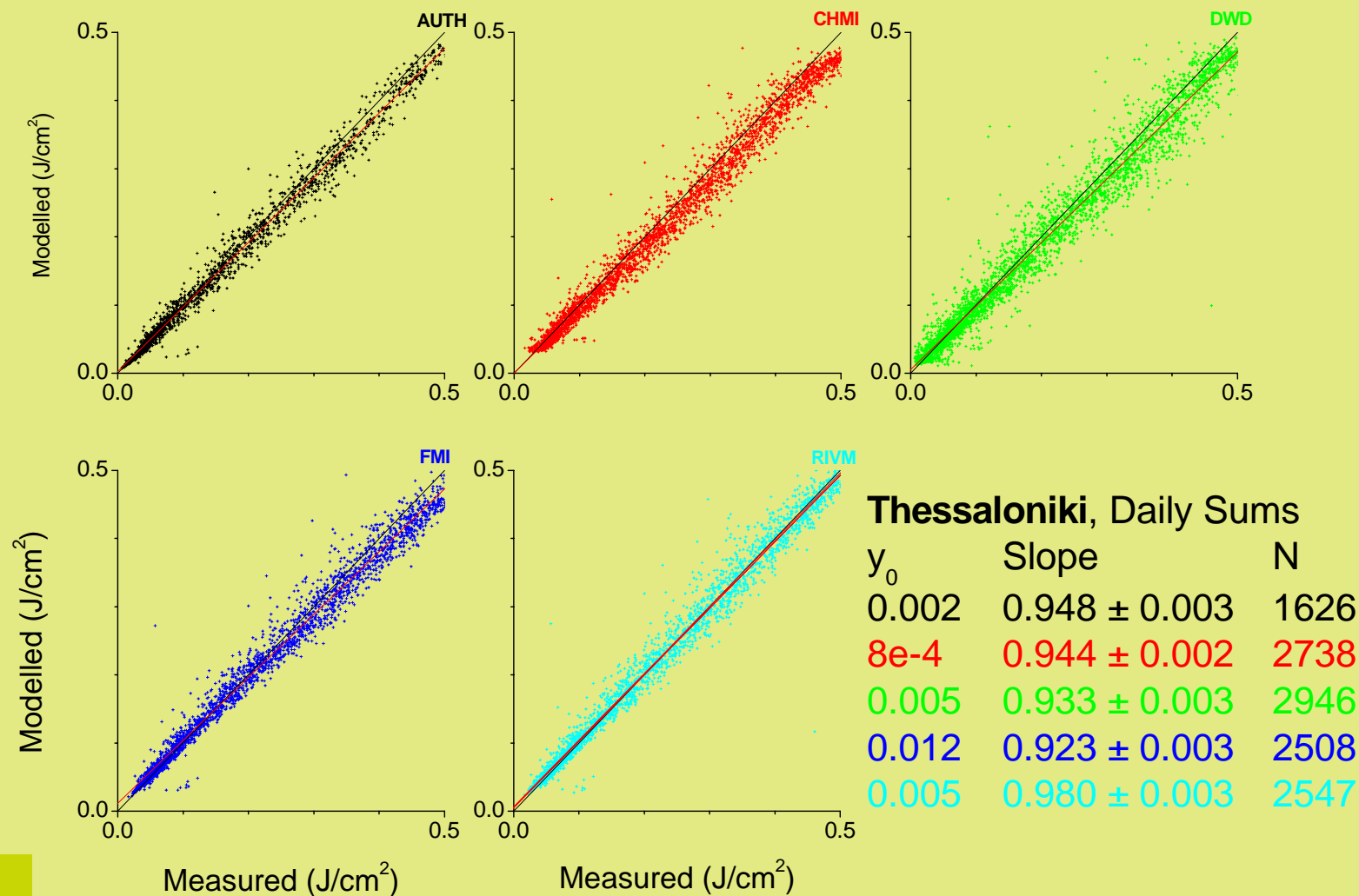
## Available auxiliary data; possible model input

	Thessaloniki	Potsdam	Bilthoven	Jokioinen
Global solar radiation	1992-2005	1937-2003	1965-2005	1981-2005
Diffuse solar radiation		1937-2003		
Total ozone	1982-2005	1964-2003	1972-2005	1994-2005
Aerosols	1997-2006	1994-2003		
Visibility	1974-2002	1950-2003		1981-2005
Total Cloud cover	1982-2002	1950-2003		1981-2005
Sunshine duration	1974-2002	1893-2005		1951-2005
albedo		1984-2003		
Snow depth				1959-2005

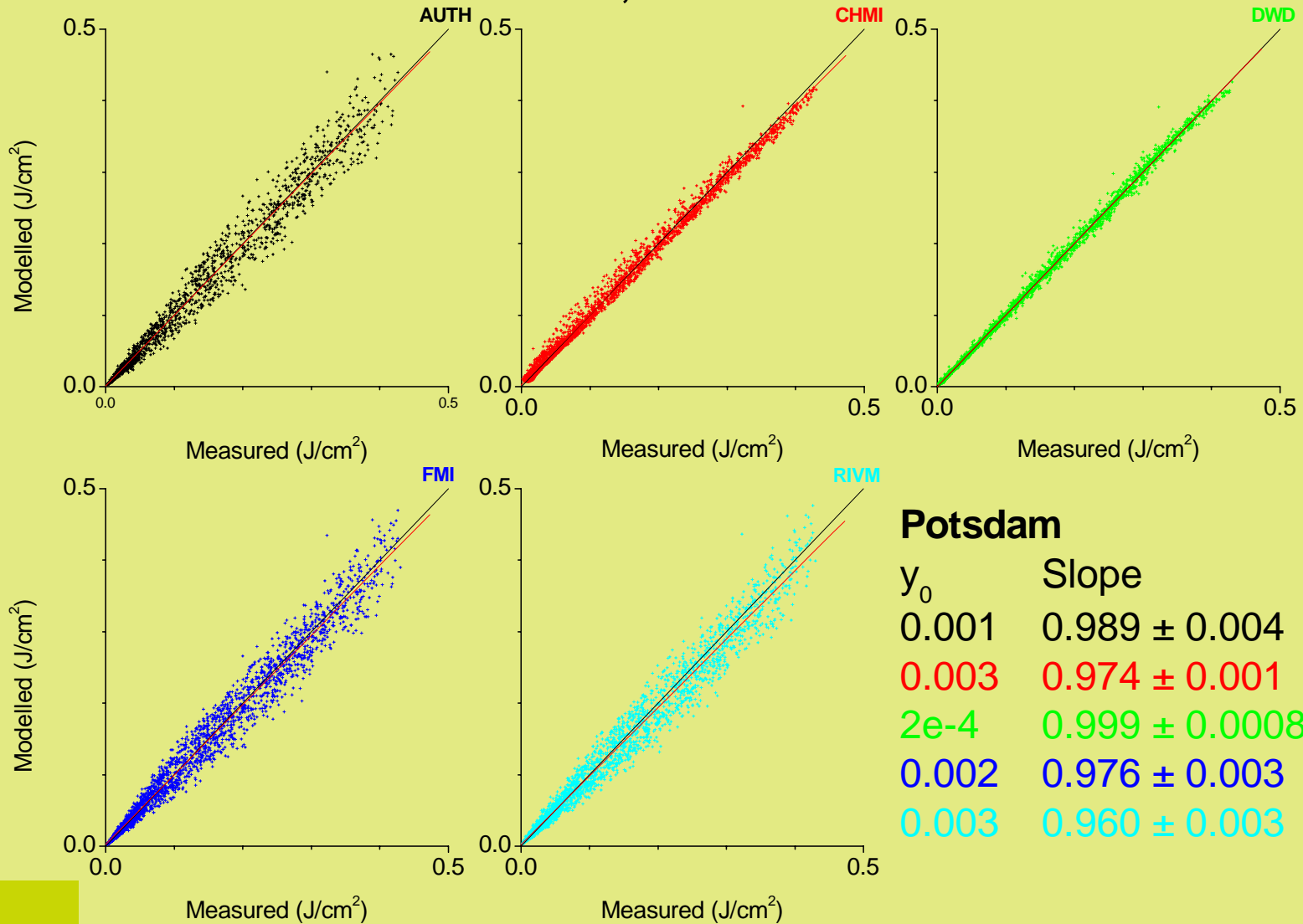
# Results Bilthoven, direct correlation



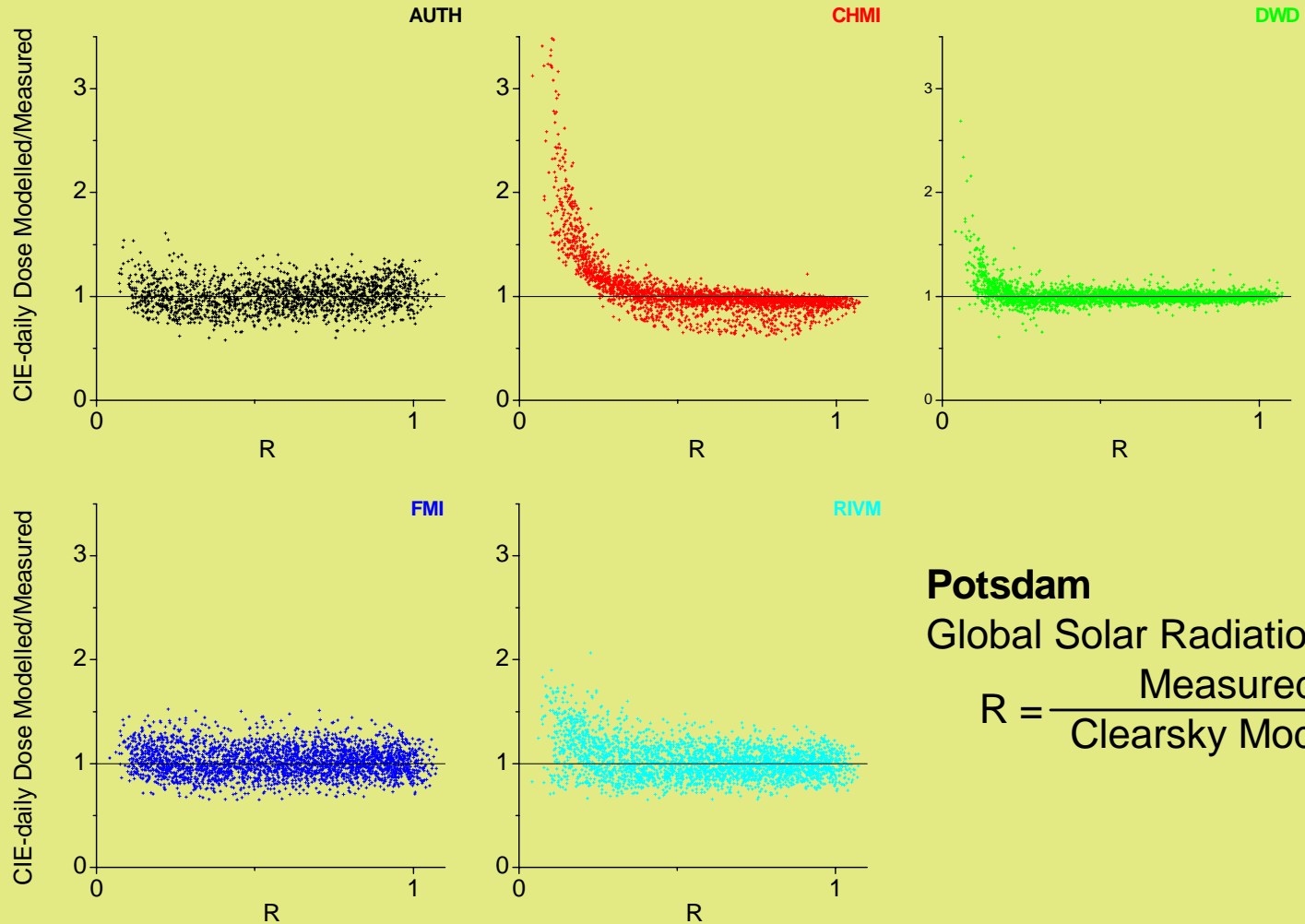
# Results Thessaloniki, direct correlation



# Results Potsdam, direct correlation



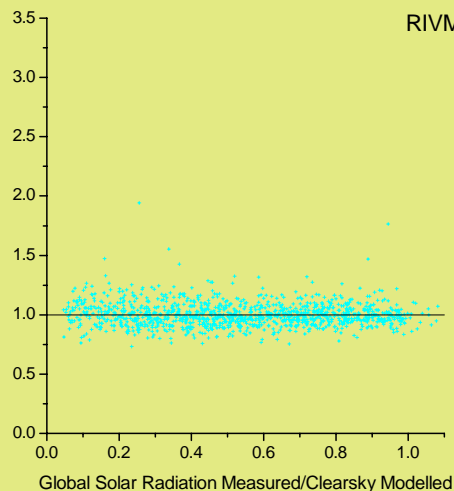
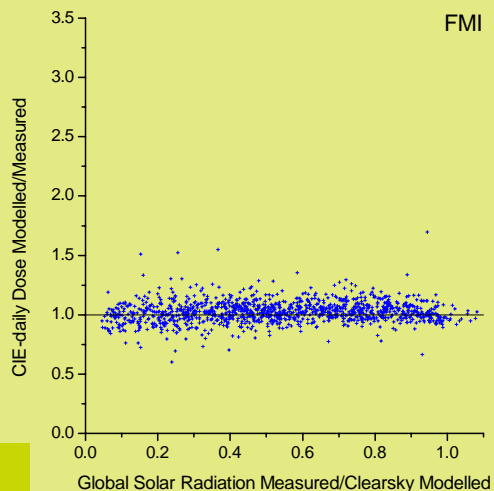
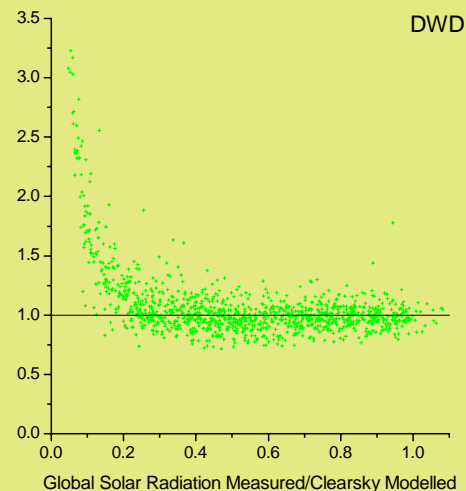
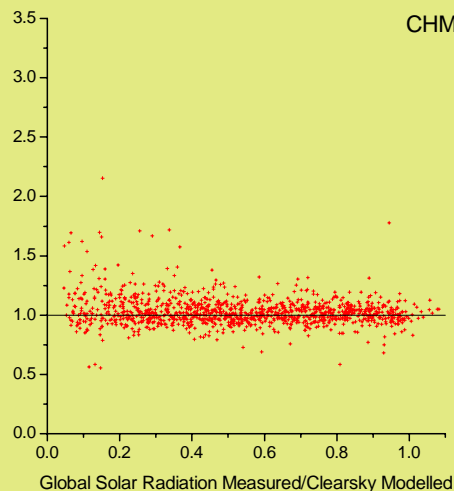
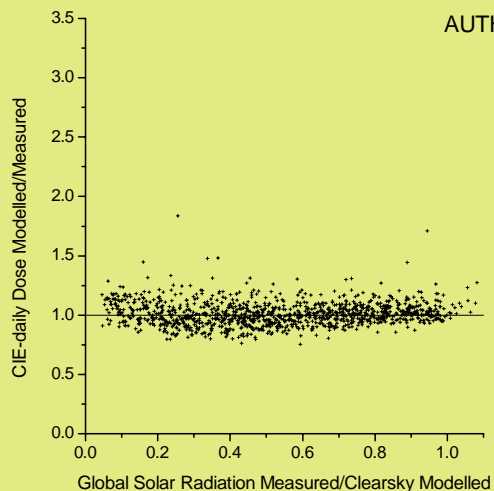
# Results Potsdam, cloudiness



**Potsdam**  
Global Solar Radiation

$$R = \frac{\text{Measured}}{\text{Clearsky Modelled}}$$

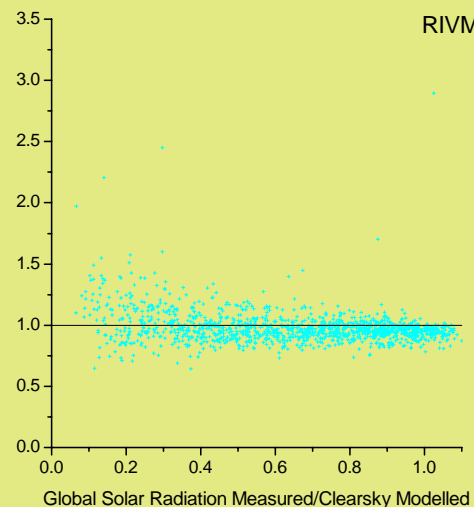
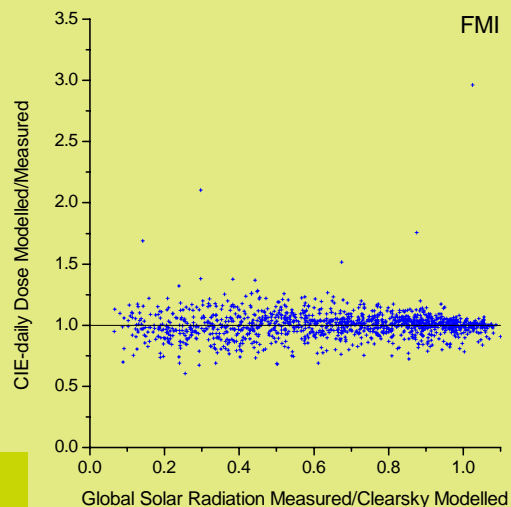
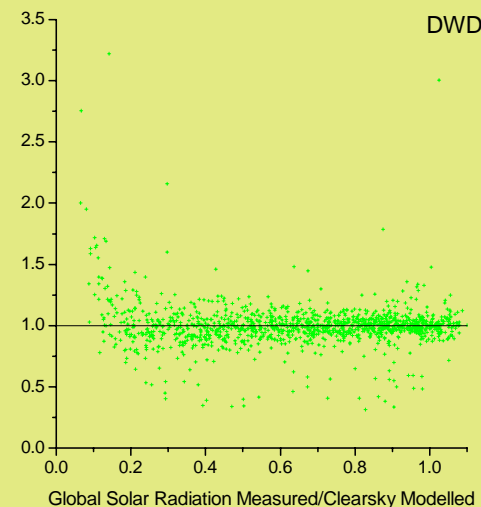
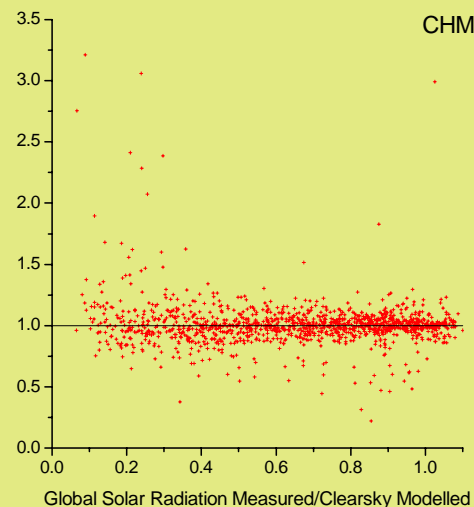
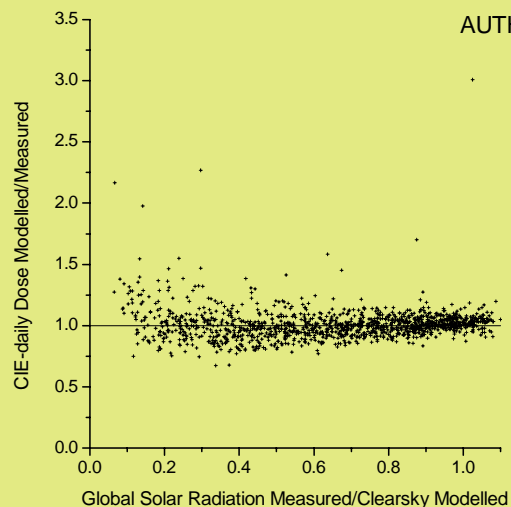
# Results Bilthoven, cloudiness



**Bitlhoven, Modelled/Measured**

Model	Ave	N
AUTH	$1.01 \pm 0.10$	1156
CHMI	$1.03 \pm 0.12$	1156
DWD	$1.08 \pm 0.31$	1156
FMI	$1.02 \pm 0.09$	1156
RIVM	$1.00 \pm 0.10$	1156

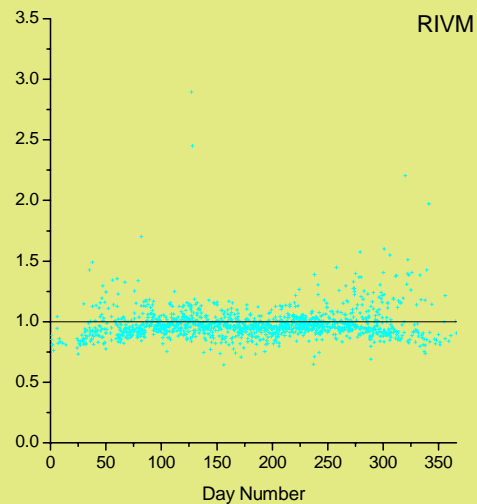
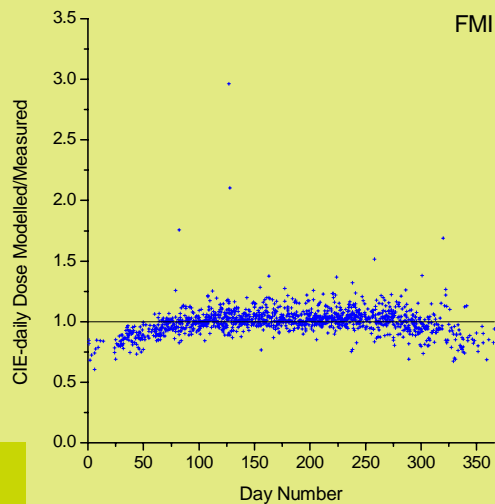
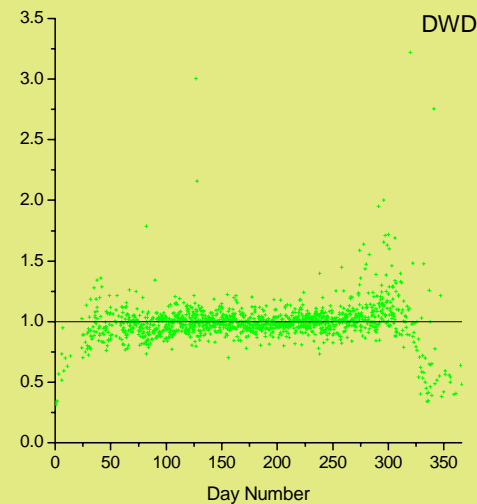
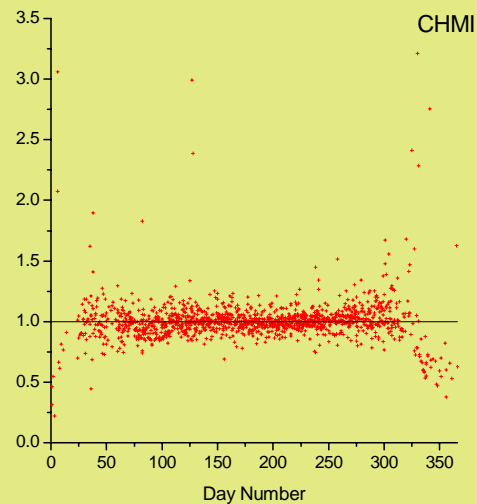
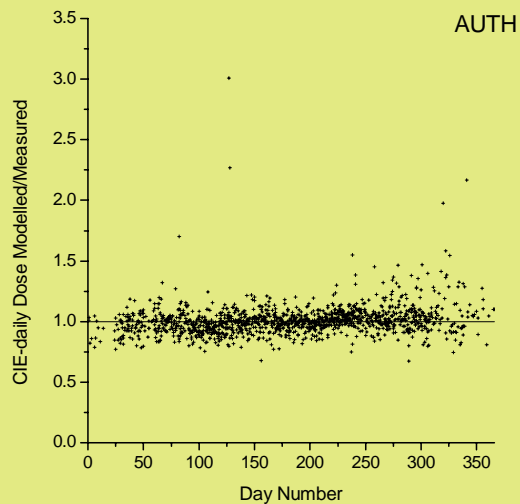
# Results Jokioinen, cloudiness



## Jokioinen, Modelled/Measured

Model	Ave	N
AUTH	$1.01 \pm 0.13$	1299
CHMI	$1.01 \pm 0.20$	1299
DWD	$1.00 \pm 0.18$	1299
FMI	$1.00 \pm 0.12$	1299
RIVM	$0.98 \pm 0.14$	1299

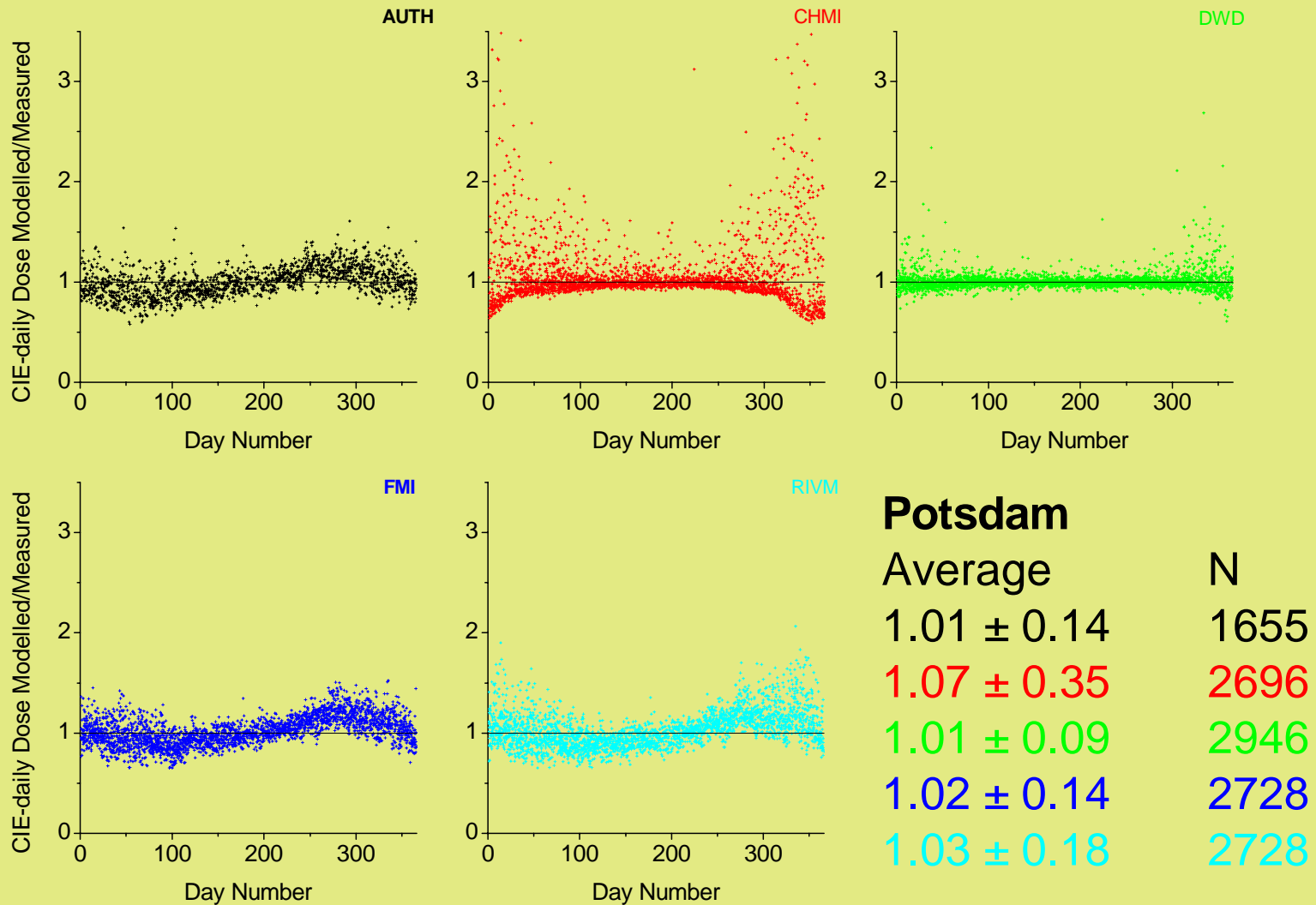
# Results Jokioinen, day number



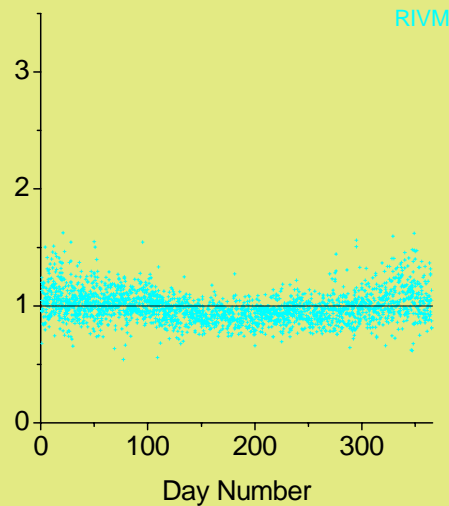
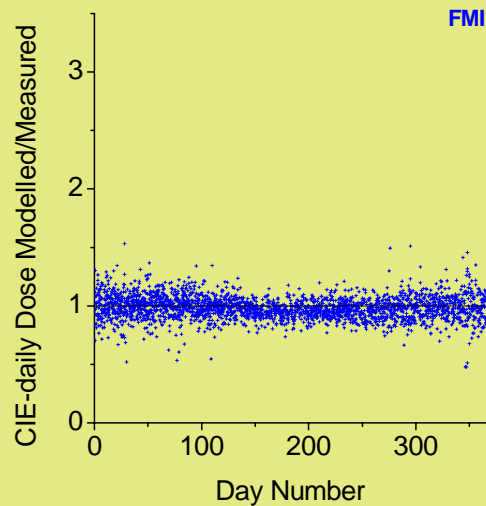
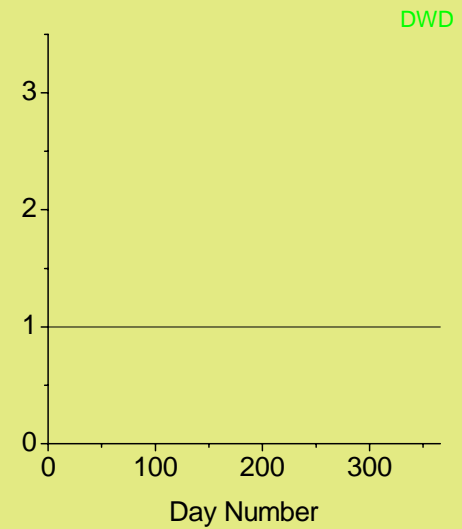
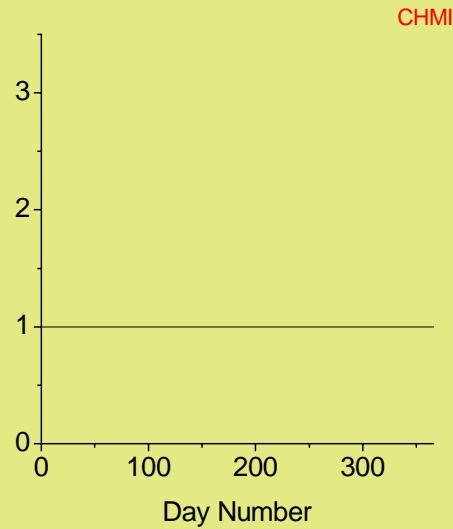
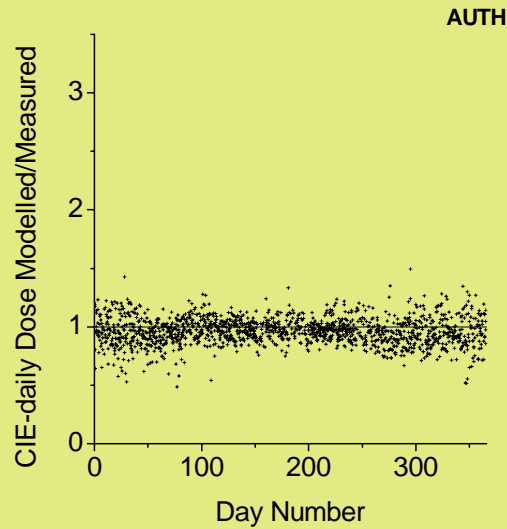
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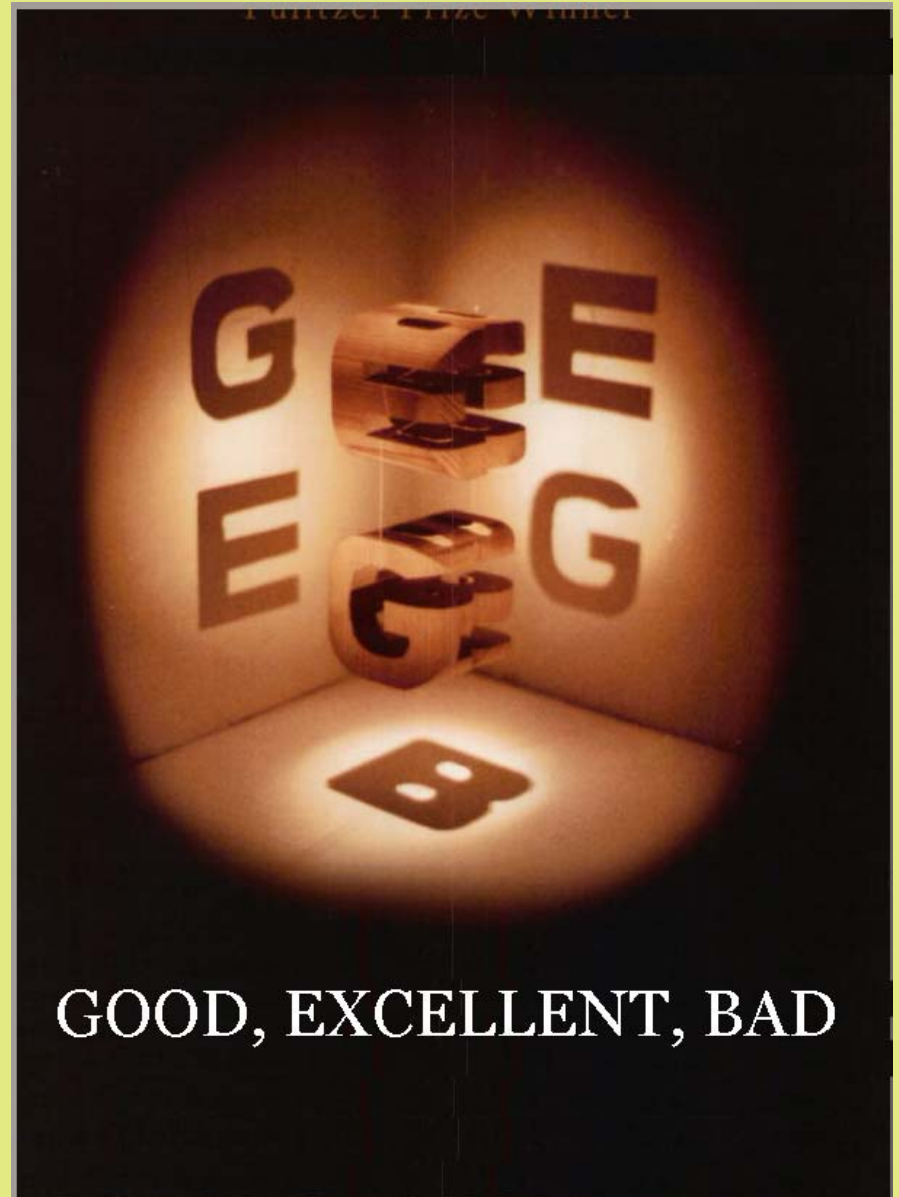


# Results Potsdam, uv-data updated



<b>Potsdam</b>	
Average	N
$0.94 \pm 0.15$	1451
$0.99 \pm 0.12$	2472
$1.00 \pm 0.15$	2472

# Conclusion

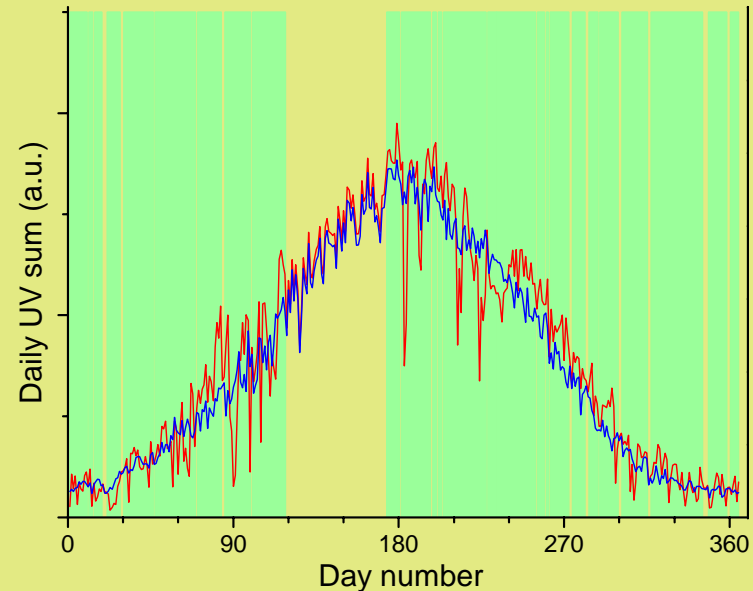
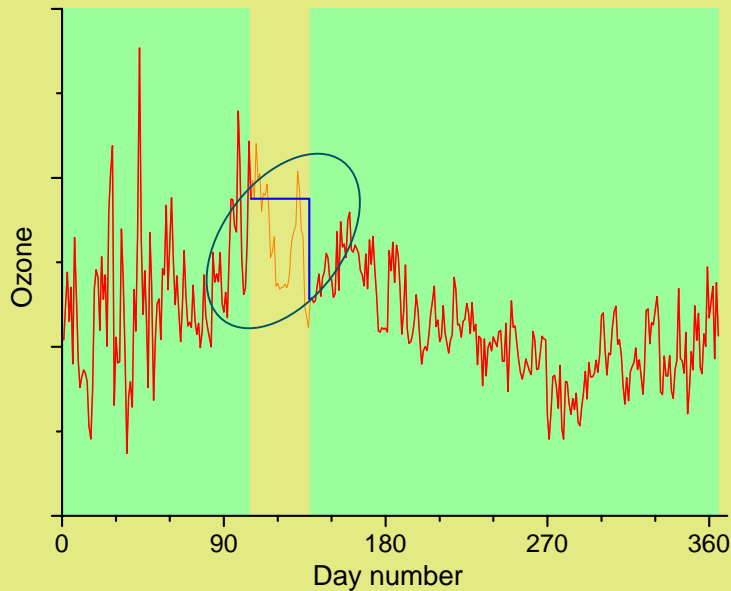


# Construction of Month and Year Sums

➔ requires supplementation of input data sets

repetition last measurement

scaling annual pattern



Scaling:  
Data  
Supplemented  
Daily average

$$\sum_{\text{year}} \text{Data} = \sum_{\text{year}} \text{Supplemented}$$

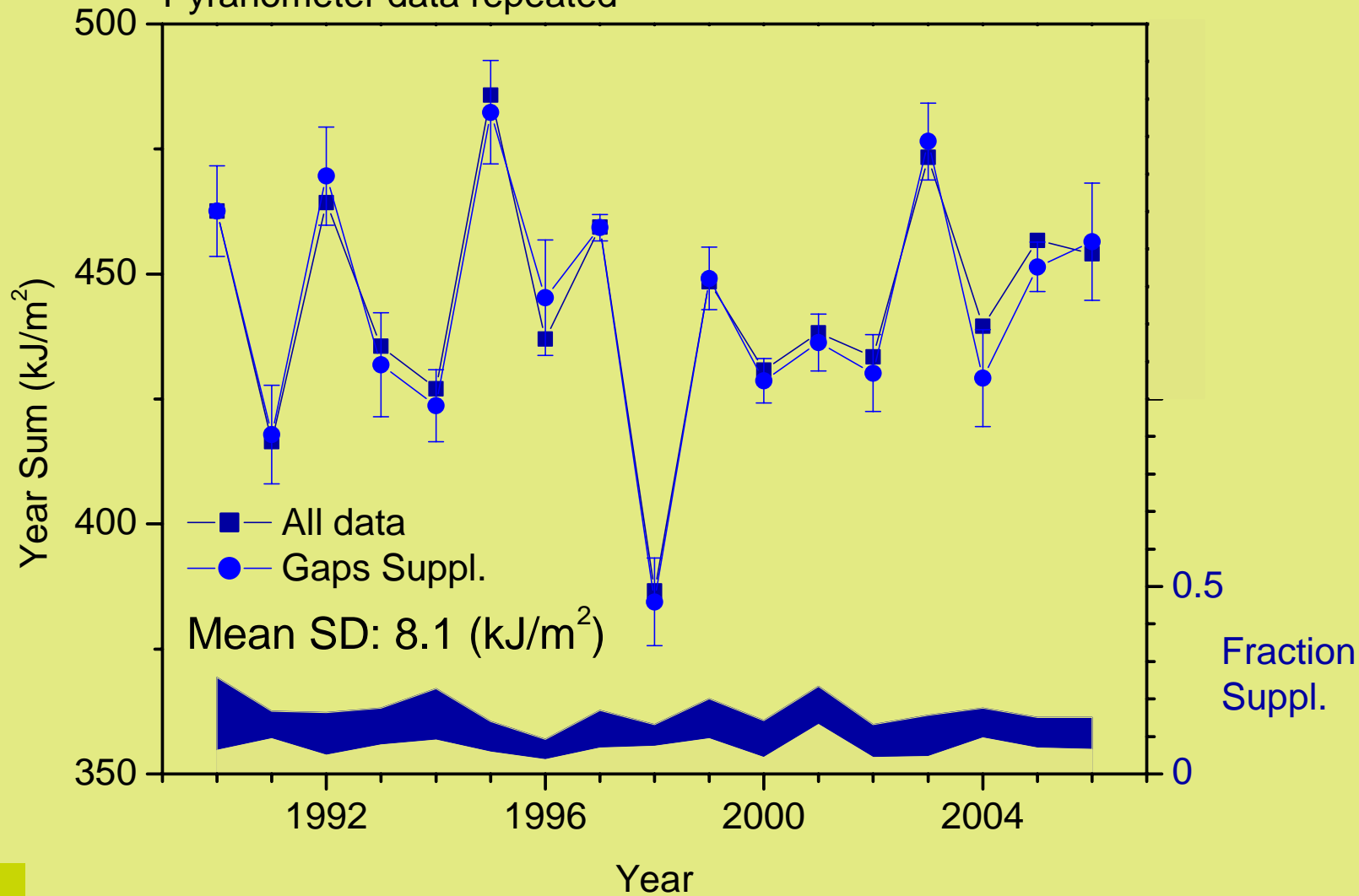
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TEST

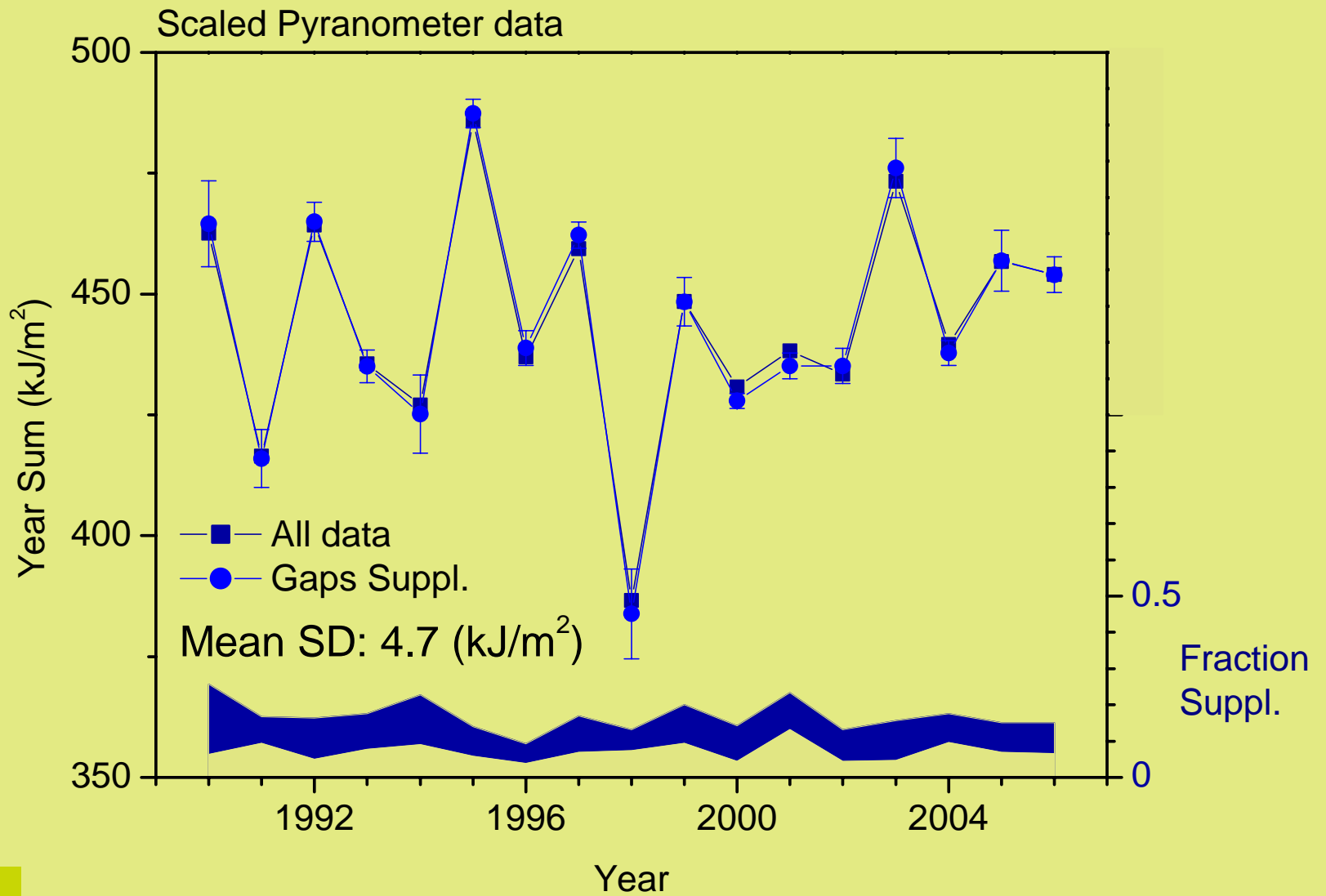
take out sets of 10 connected days randomly

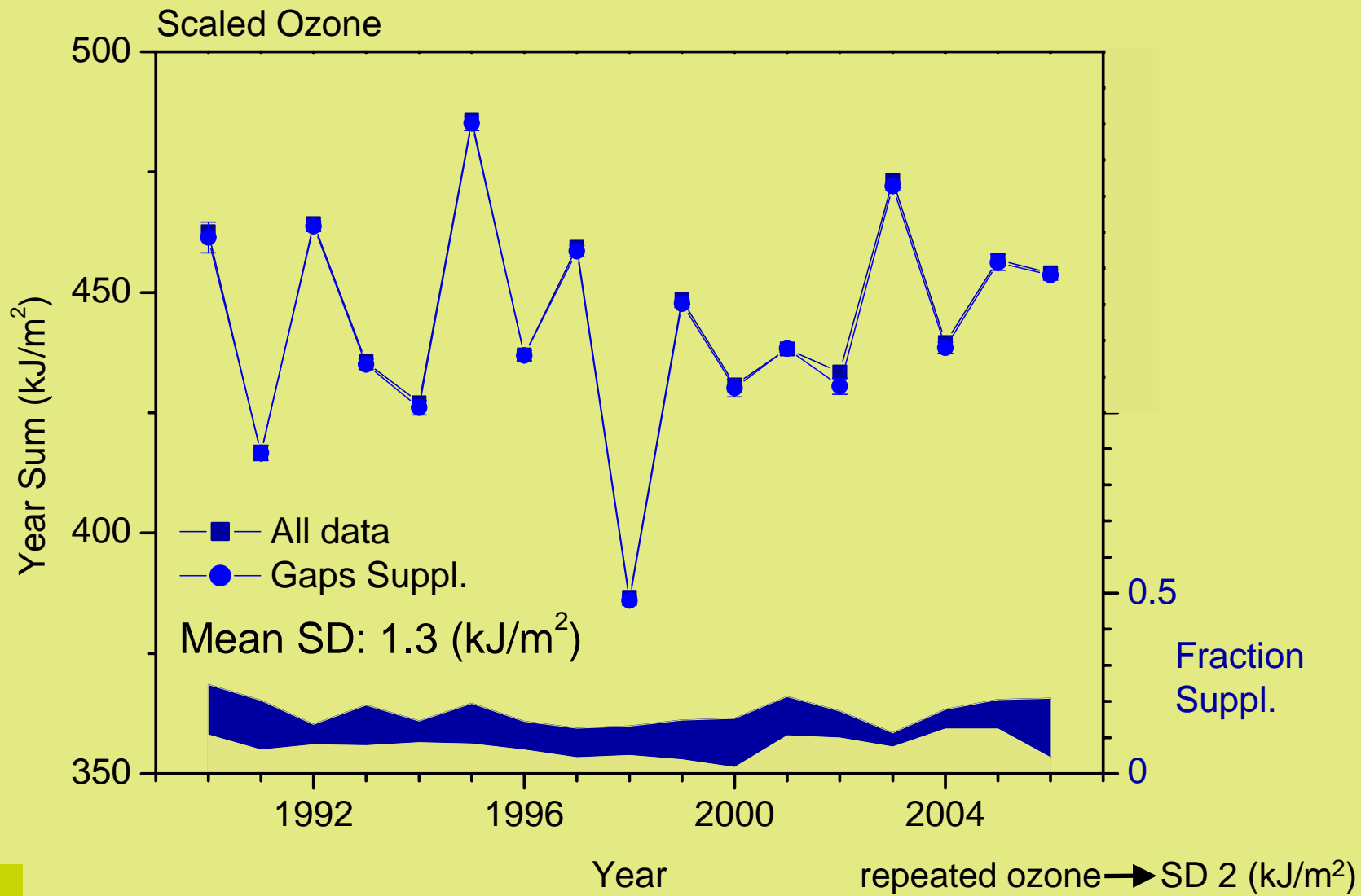
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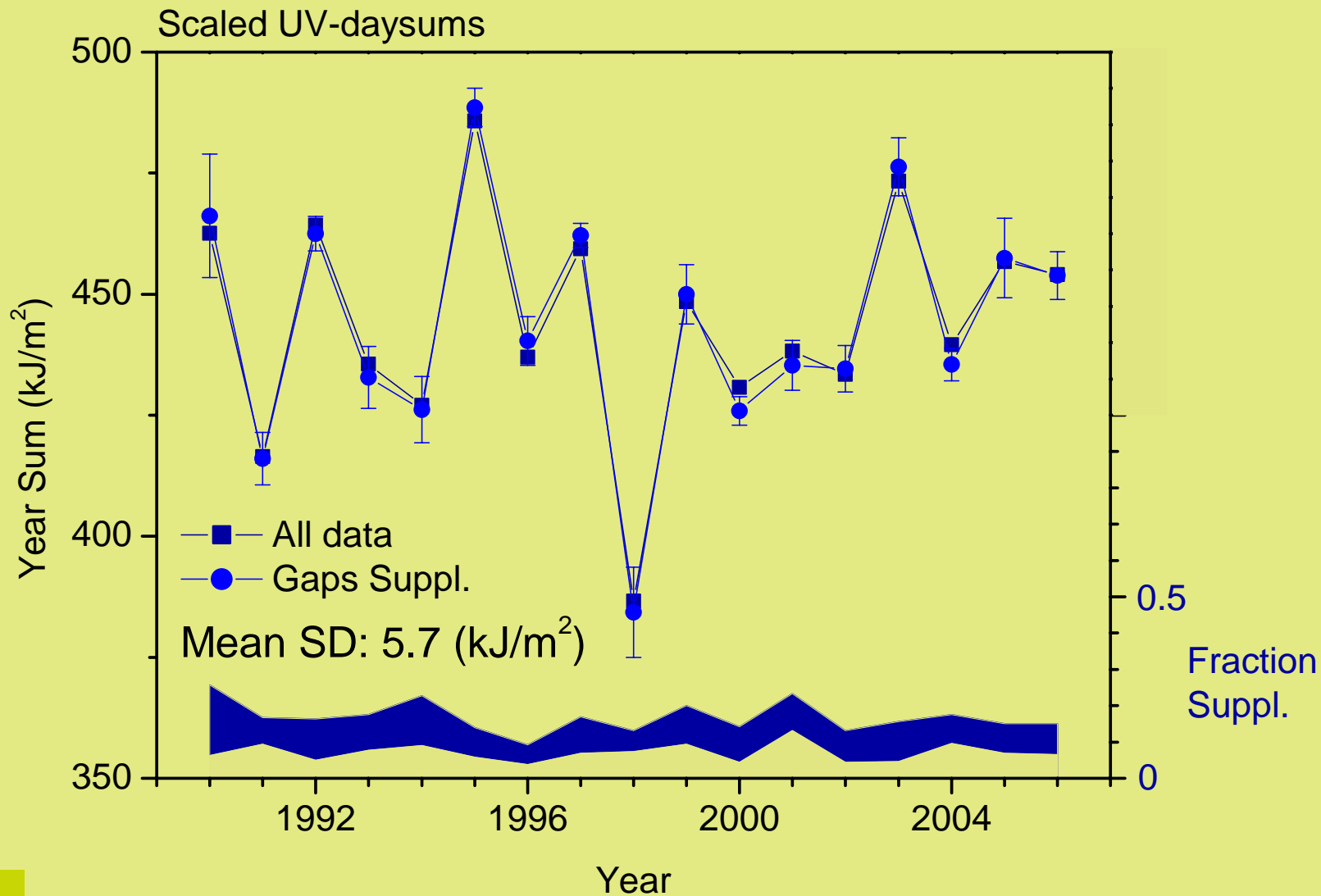
➔ construct year sums

# Pyranometer data repeated





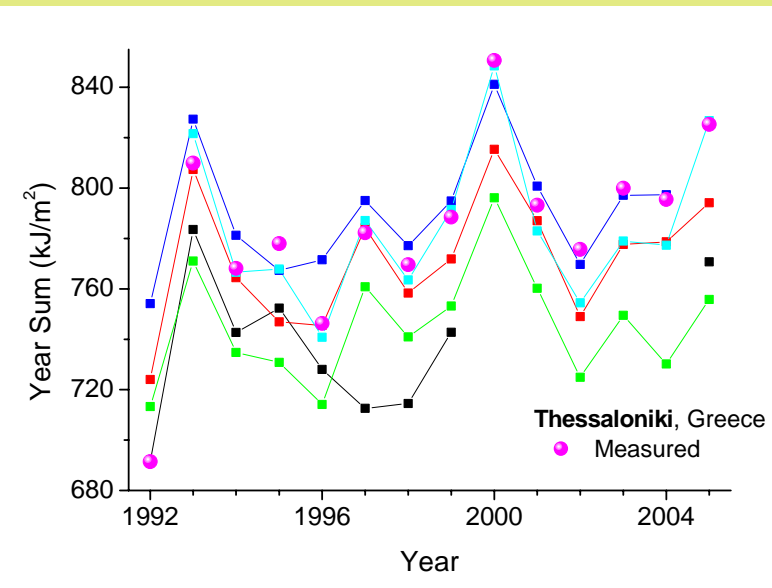
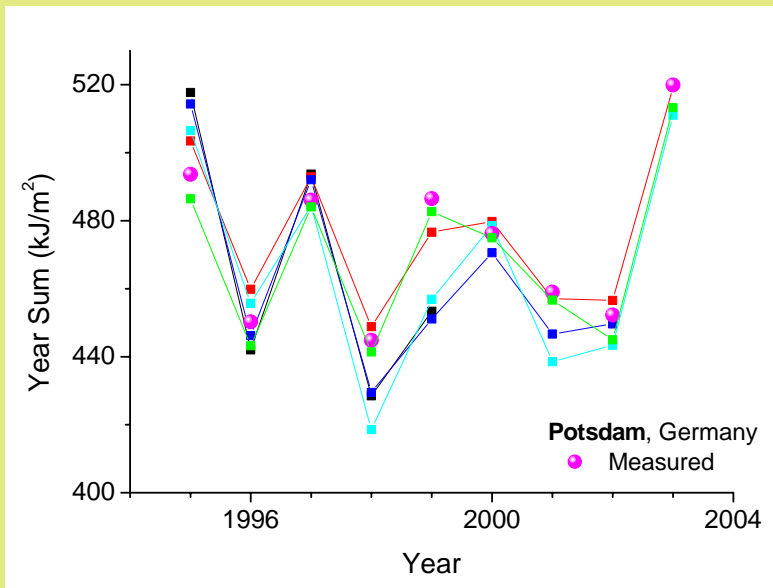
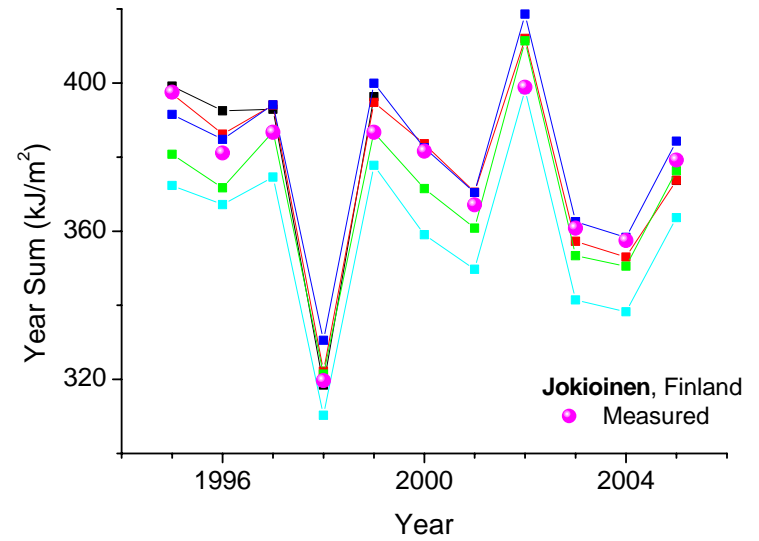
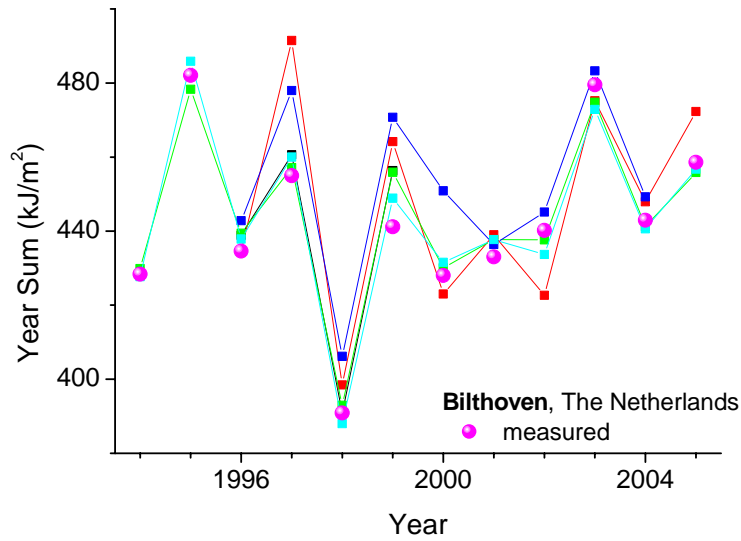




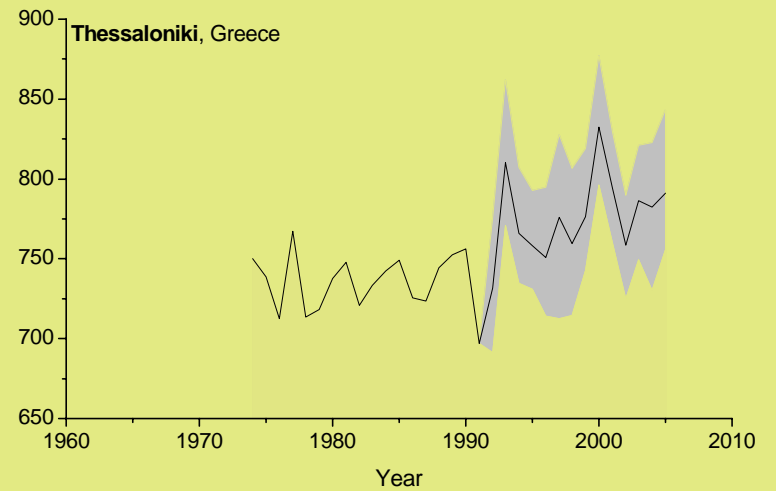
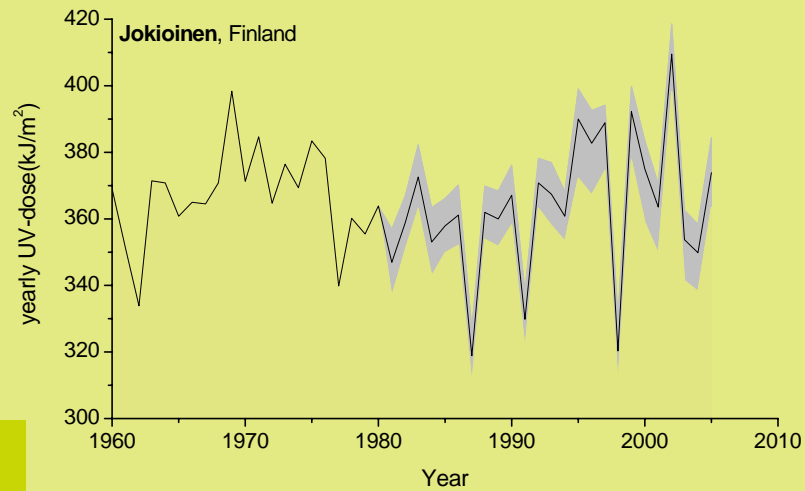
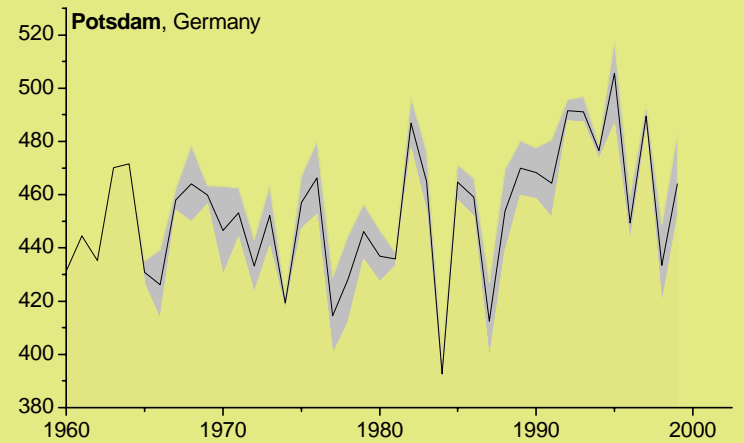
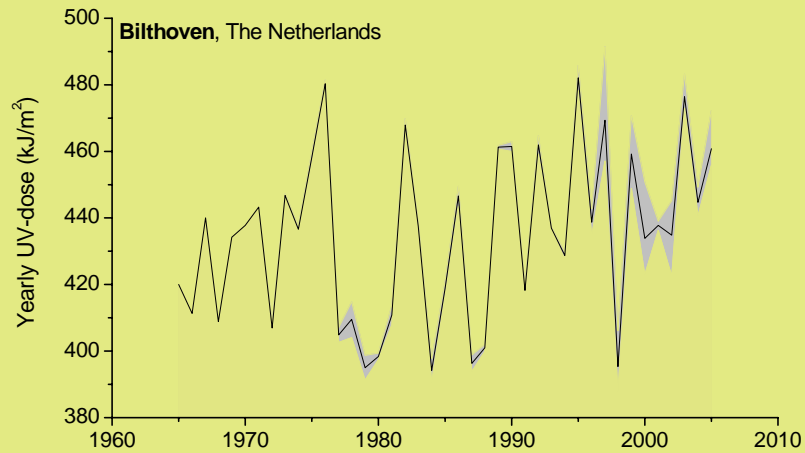
# Conclusion

- Auxiliary data should be supplemented
- Errors: 1% per 10% supplemented cloud proxy data, ozone 0.3%
- Supplementation of UV-day sum's is good alternative, 1.3%

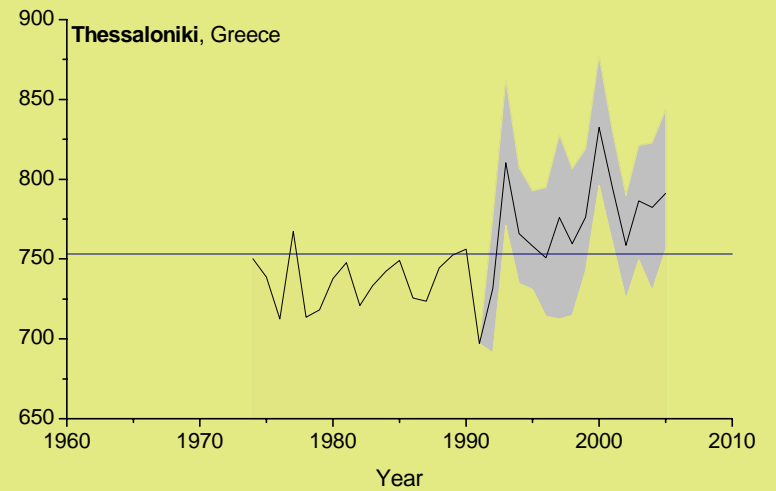
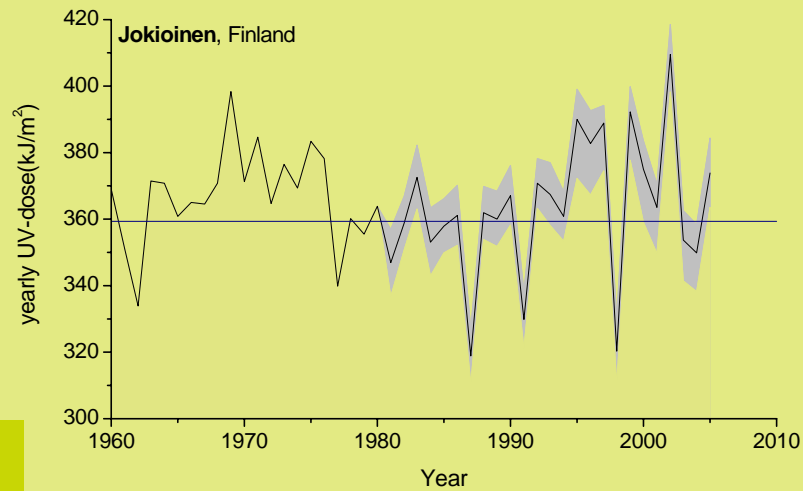
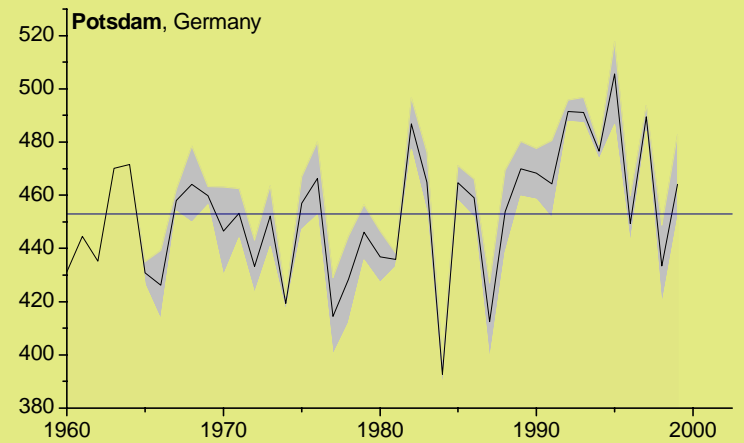
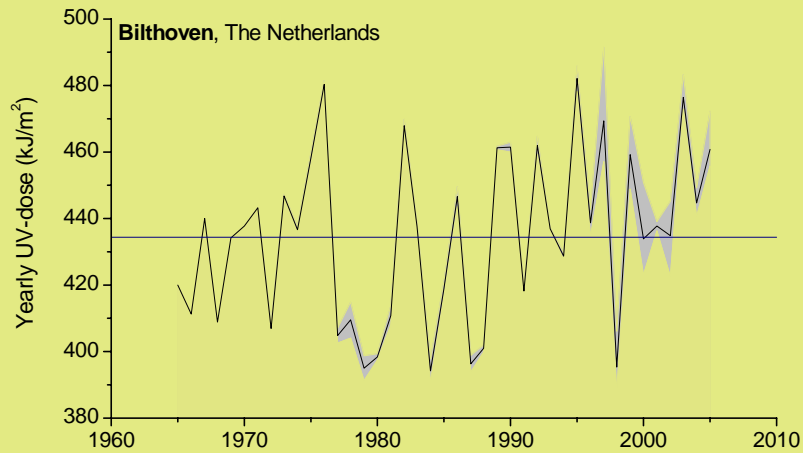
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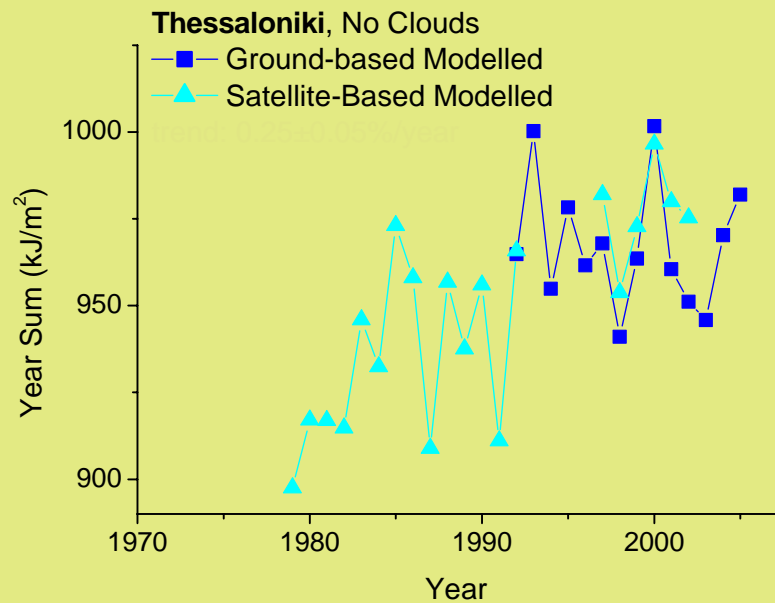
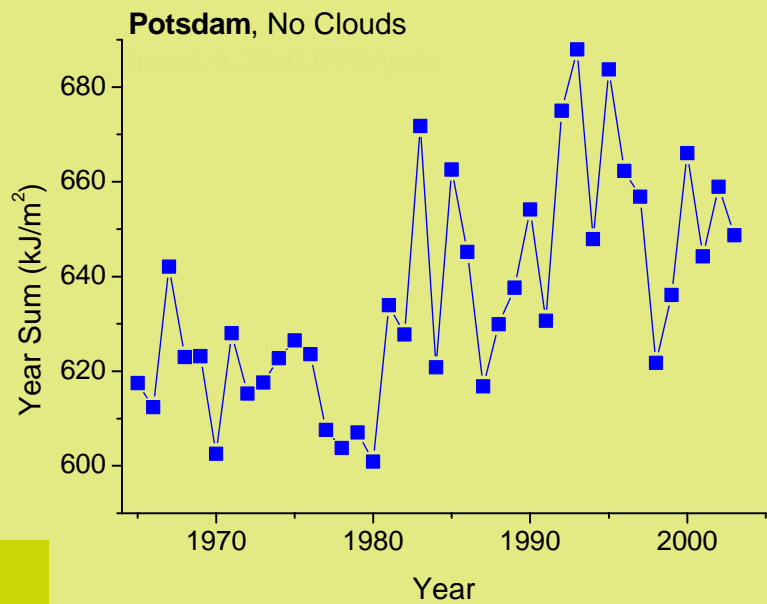
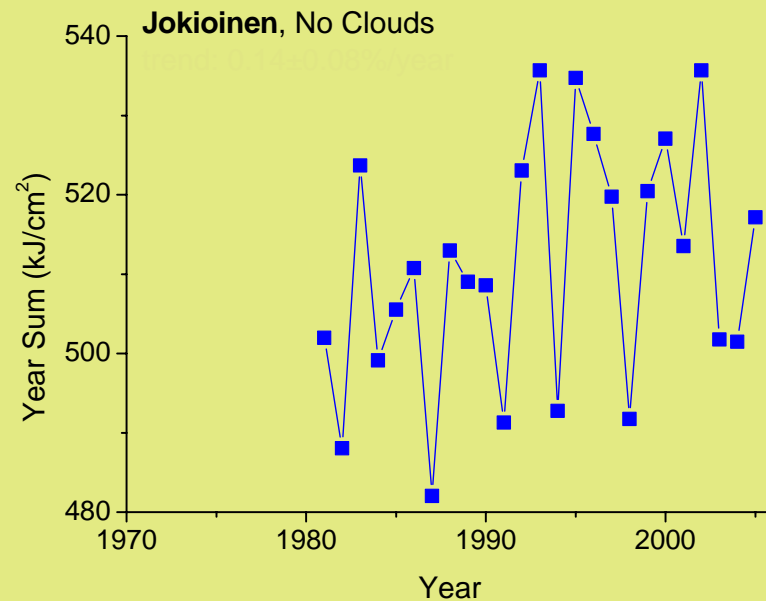
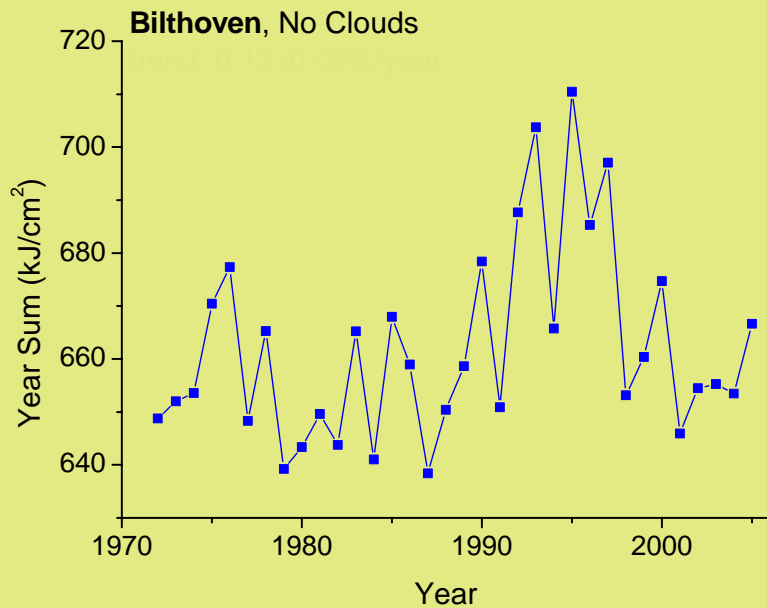


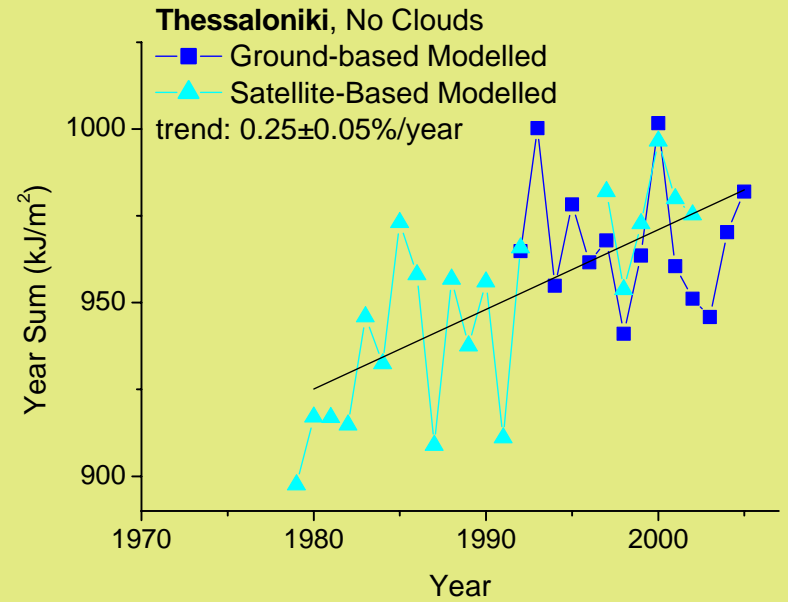
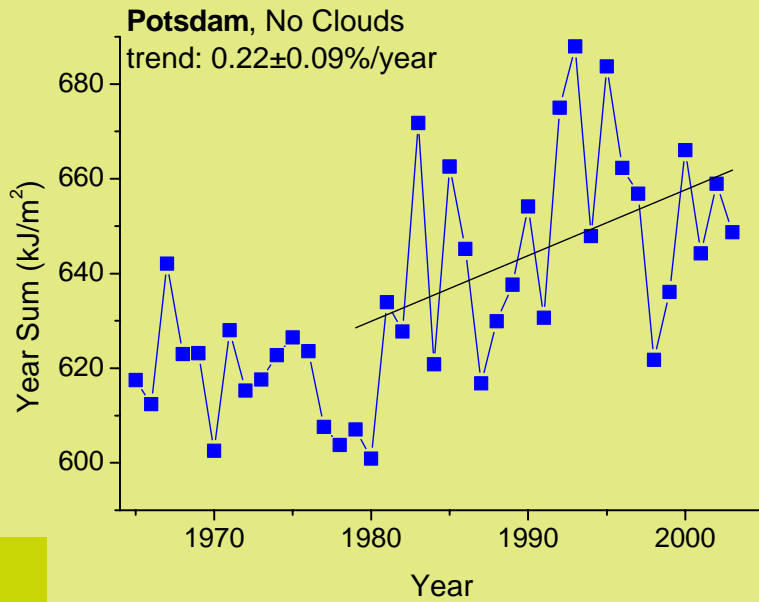
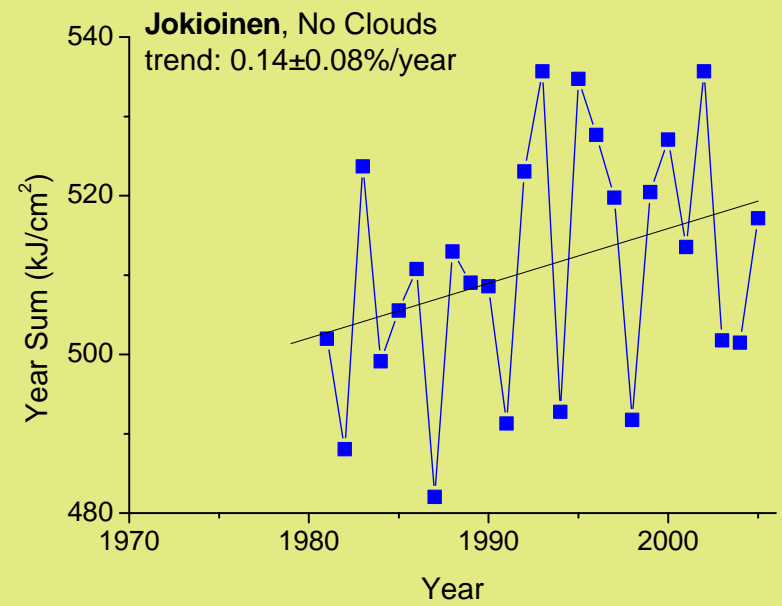
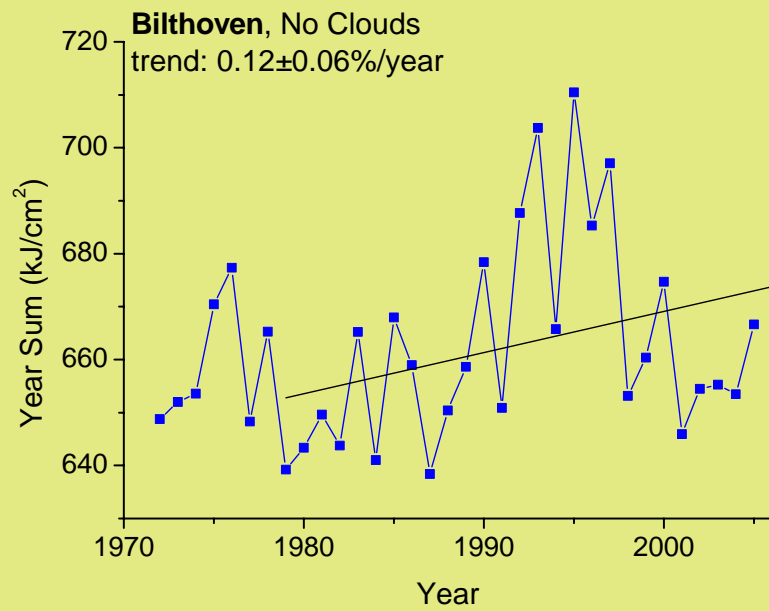
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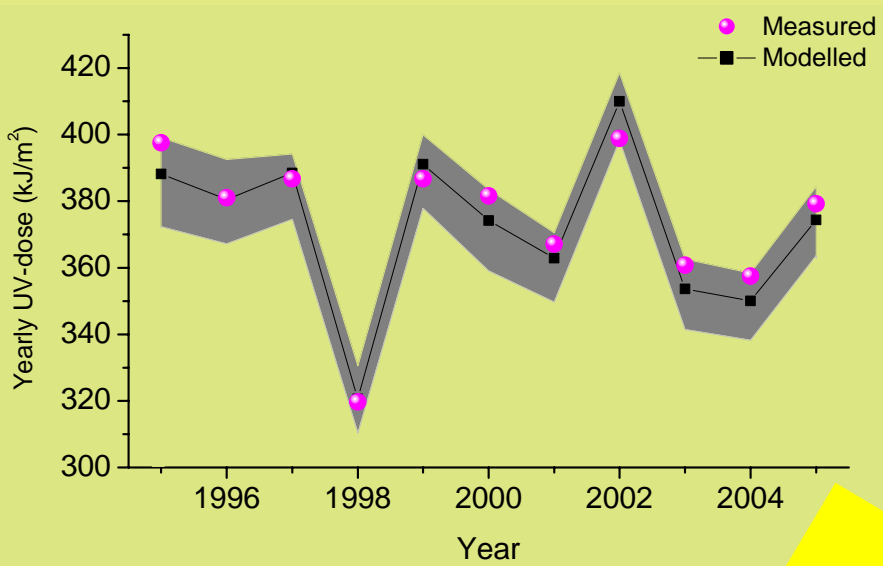


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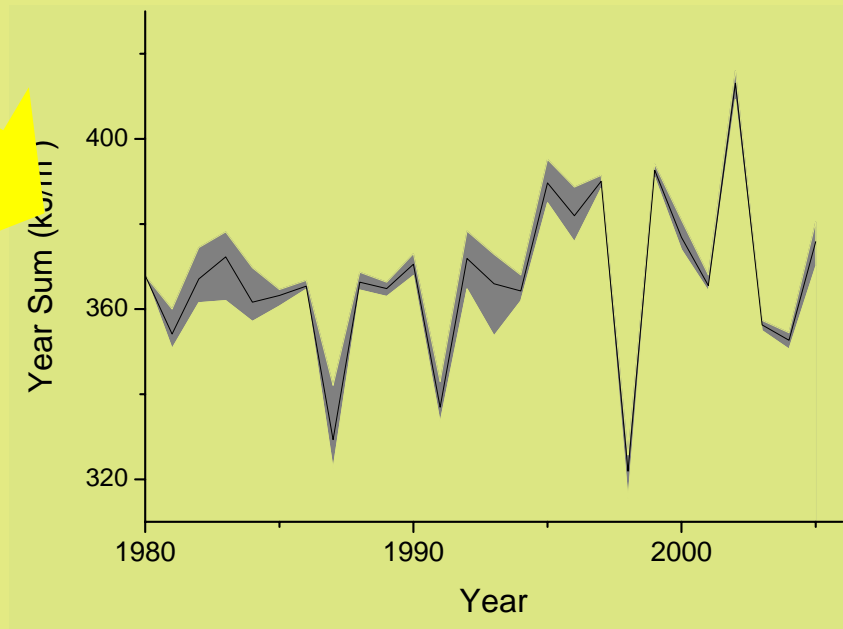








Final



# Summary

- UV reconstruction Models agree well M-M & M-Meas., but also problems identified
- Two model types give distinguishable results
  - NN excellent, require training, local, no meas. validation
  - PE good, general applicable, measurement validation
- Best results obtained with annual pattern supplemented auxiliary data
- Reliable reconstruction is feasible

Based on modeled results:

- Clear sky UV shows increase since eighties, cloudy sky UV less obvious (large year-to-year variability)