

Representation and Improvement of BB Aerosol Absorption in Global Models

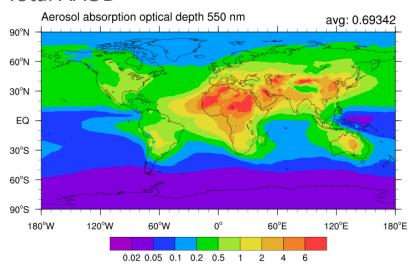
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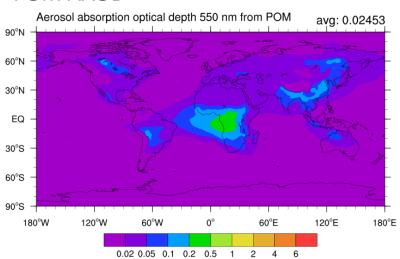


Absorption Aerosol Optical Depth (x100) in CAM5

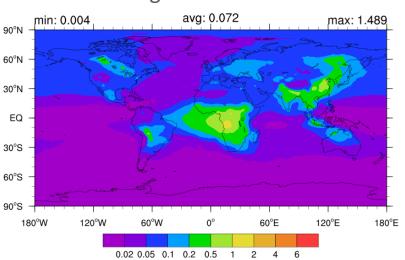
Total AAOD



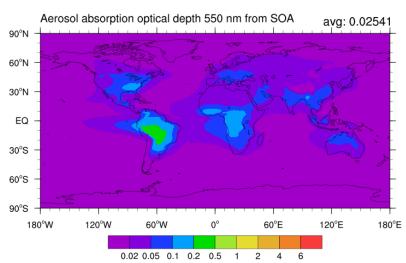
POM AAOD



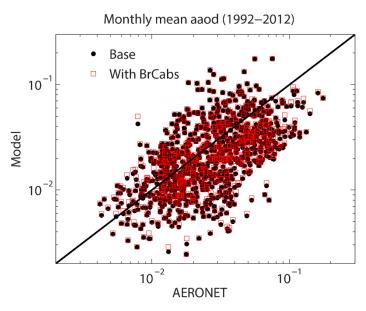
POM + "coating" effect



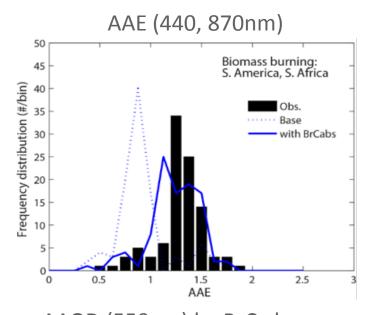
SOA AAOD



Underestimation in AAOD and Enhanced Absorption by BrC

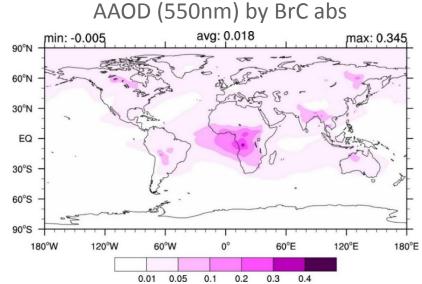


AAOD (550nm)
AERONET: 0.033±0.024
Base: 0.026±0.021
BrCabs:0.027±0.022



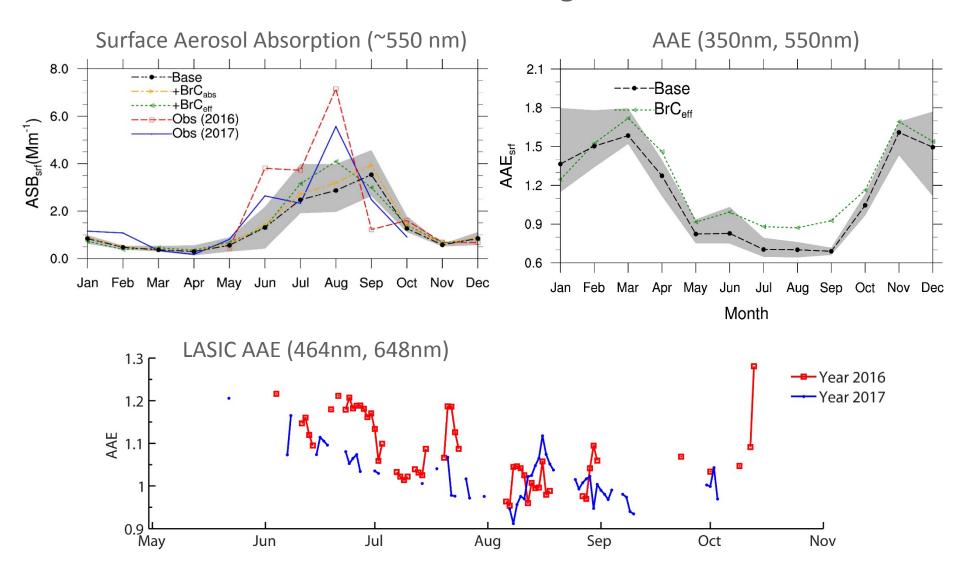
"Base" is the default CAM5.3; "BrCabs" includes BrC absorption from POM, which improves:

- averaged AAOD at 550nm by 2%;
- correlation with obs from 0.45 to 0.47
- spectral dependence significantly (Feng et al., in prep; Brown et al., 2018)



Ongoing and next steps: tar balls; BrC in SOA; bleaching

Evaluation of Modeled BB Aerosols using the LASIC Observations



Poster 184 (Wed 5-6:30pm): Feng, Flynn, Harshvarhdan, Muradyan, Kotamarthi, and Sedlaceck