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- Ground-based Measurement for Remote Sensing Studies -

Investigation of carbon cycle of vegetation in cold districts through collaboration of SGLI and in-situ observations (PI #121)

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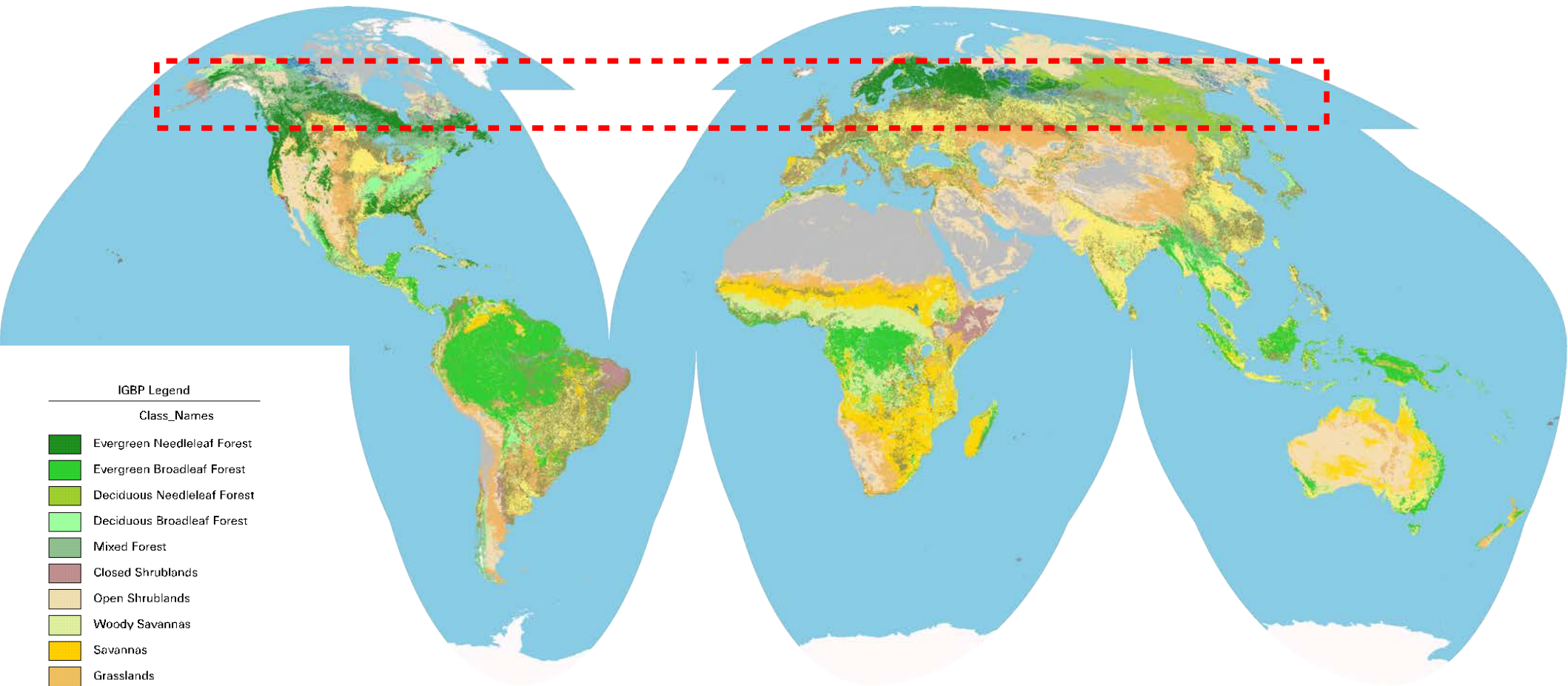
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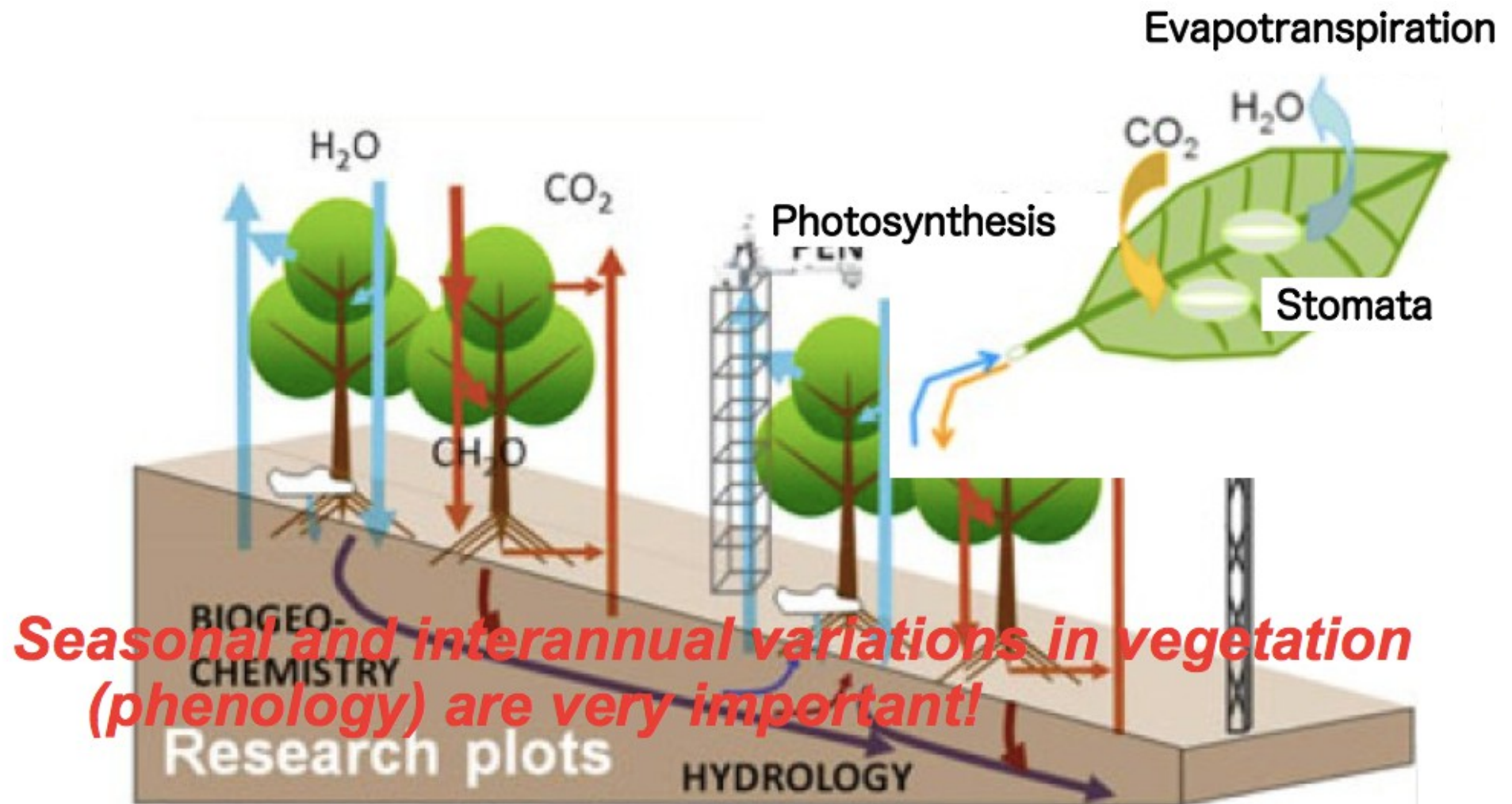
Evergreen and deciduous needleleaf forests are widely distributed across cool-temperate and boreal regions.



| IGBP Legend | |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| Class_Names | |
| | Evergreen Needleleaf Forest |
| | Evergreen Broadleaf Forest |
| | Deciduous Needleleaf Forest |
| | Deciduous Broadleaf Forest |
| | Mixed Forest |
| | Closed Shrublands |
| | Open Shrublands |
| | Woody Savannas |
| | Savannas |
| | Grasslands |
| | Permanent Wetlands |
| | Croplands |
| | Urban and Built Up |
| | Cropland/Natural Vegetation |
| | Snow and Ice |
| | Barren or Sparsely Vegetated |
| | Water |

USGS Global Land Cover Characterization Database
DISCover Version 1 (IGBP classification scheme)

Seasonal and interannual variations in carbon, water, and energy cycles are affected by those in photosynthesis and evapotranspiration under the meteorological and climate changes.



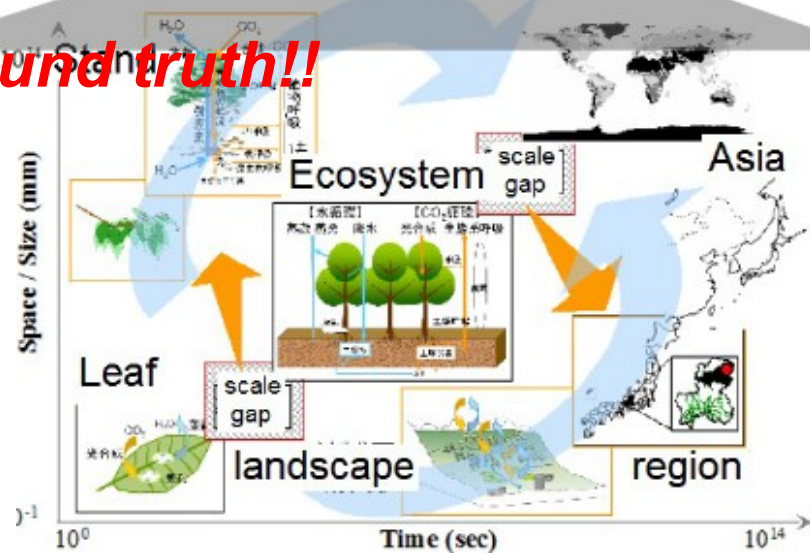
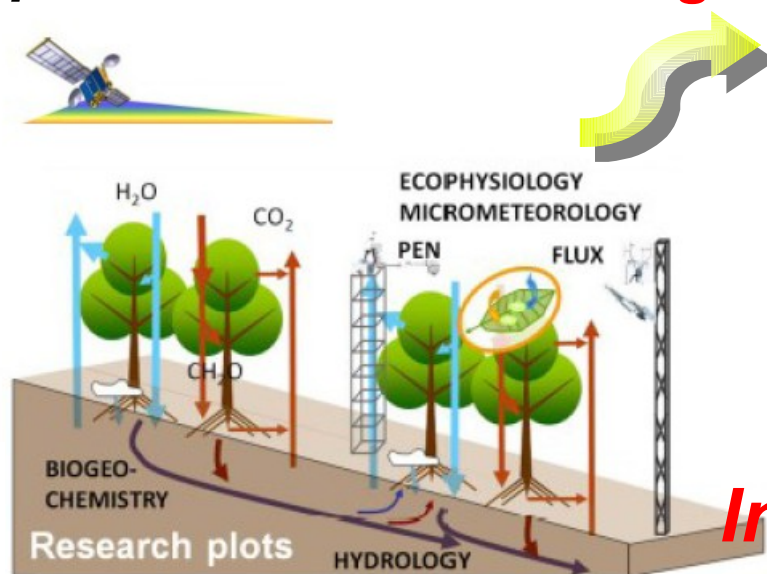
[Muraoka et al., 2012. in Biodiversity Observation Network in Asia-Pacific region: Towards further development of monitoring activities, Springer]

To accurately evaluate the spatio-temporal variability of ecosystem functions and service under rapid meteorological and climate changes, general, global, long-term, and comprehensive phenological observations are required.



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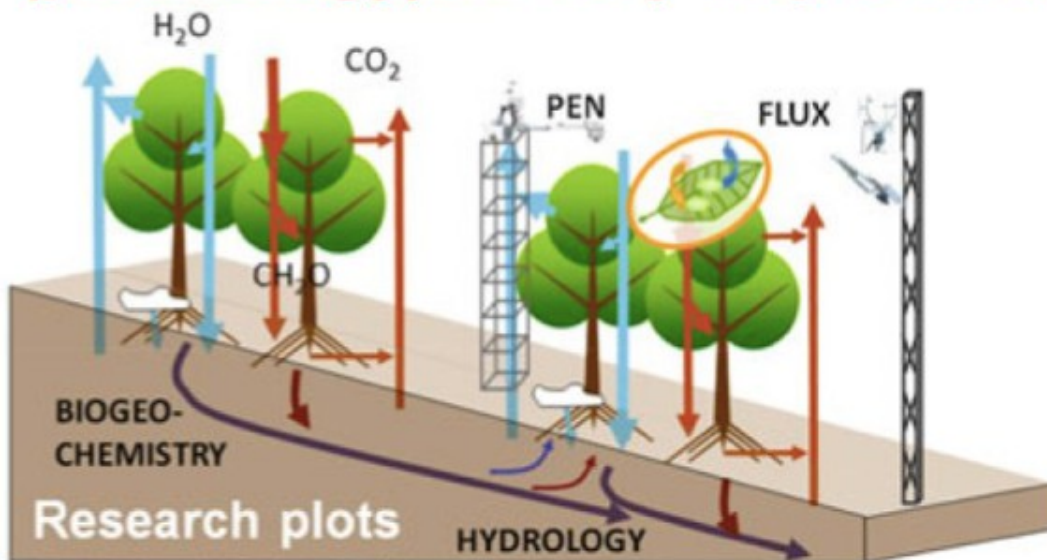
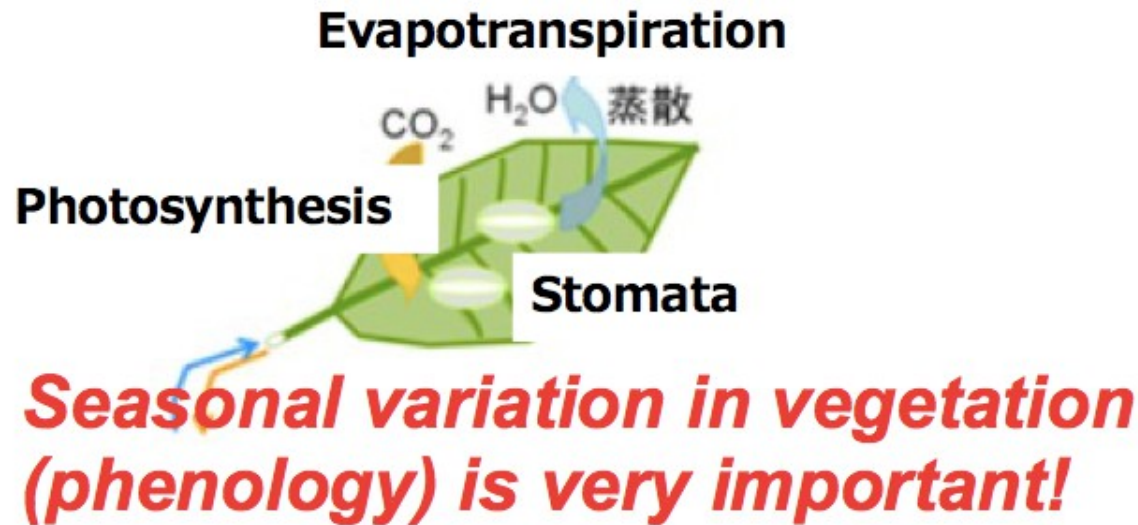
**Scaling up
based on ground truth!!**



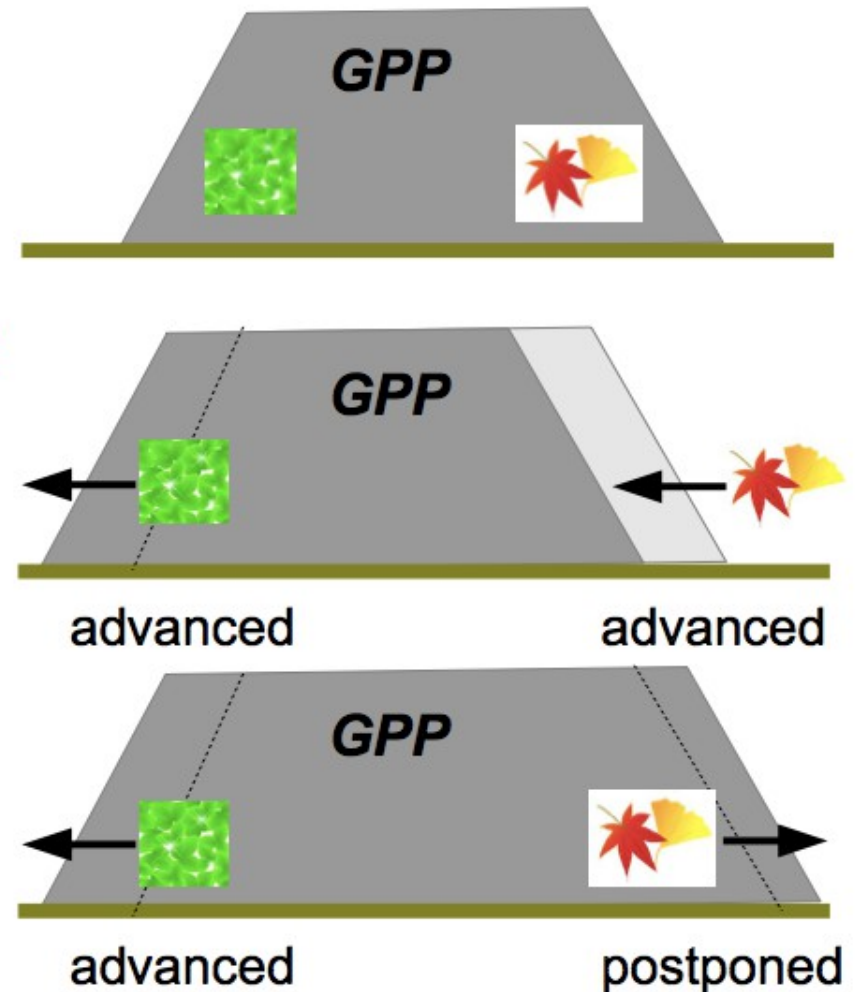
**Integration of in situ and satellite
observations is important!!**

Why are phenological observations important?

Interannual variations of growing season may affect the yearly gross primary production (GPP).



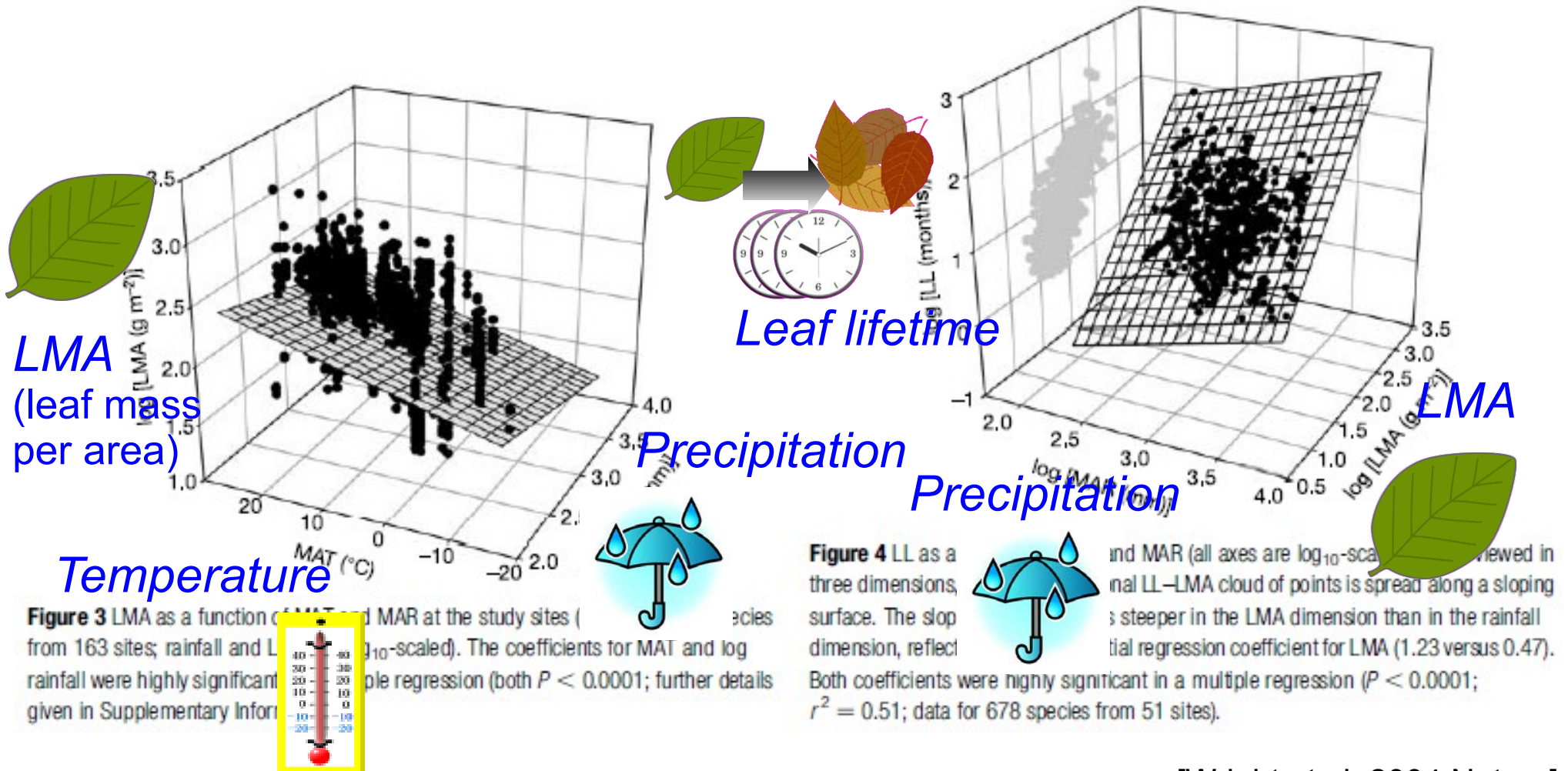
[Muraoka et al. 2012]



[Richardson et al. 2012]

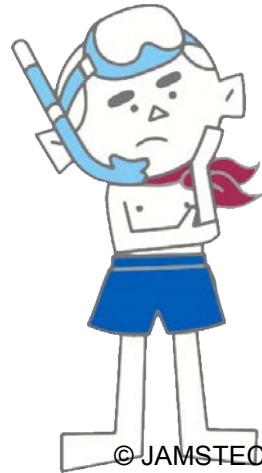
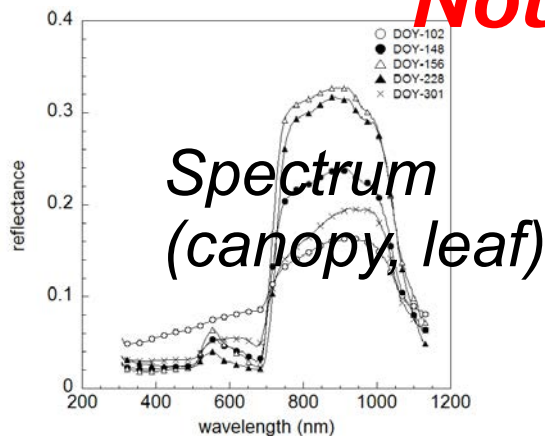
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Spatio-temporal characteristics of leaf lifetime correlate with leaf traits (e.g. size, thickness, strength, nitrogen), photosynthetic properties and climatic condition.



However, from the in situ ecological research view point, the satellite remote-sensing approach has not been sufficiently tested and validated by the ground-truthing.

In situ

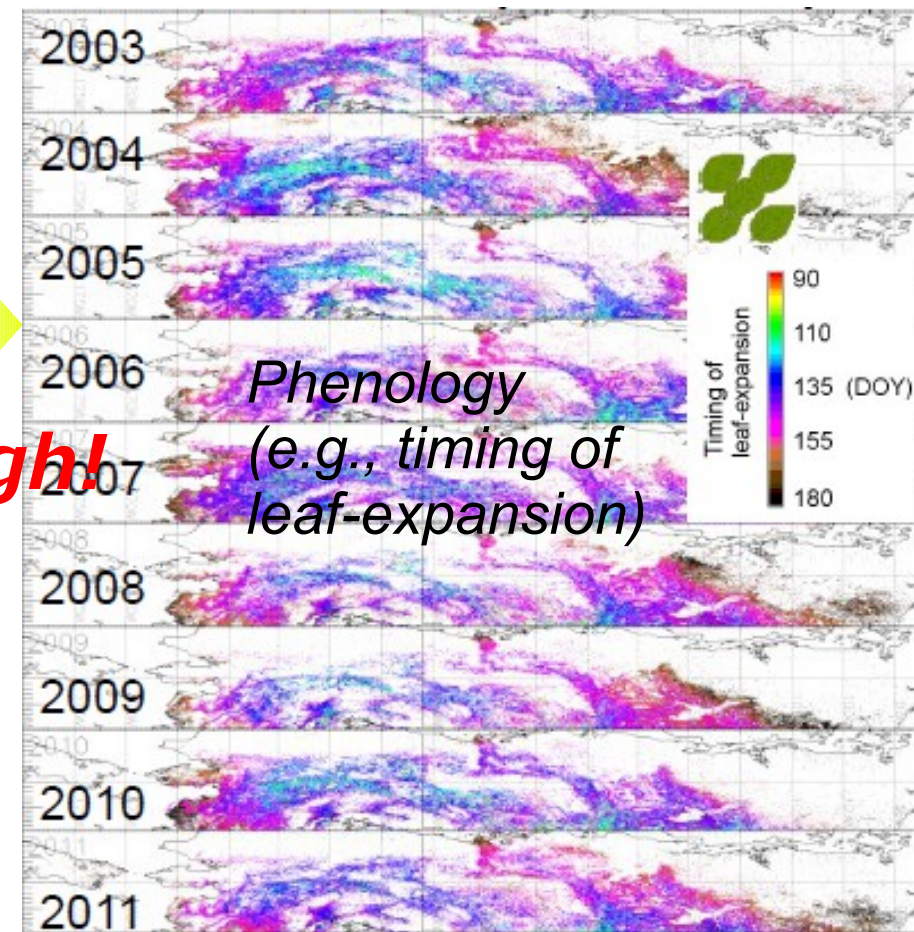
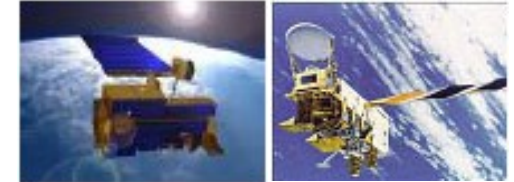


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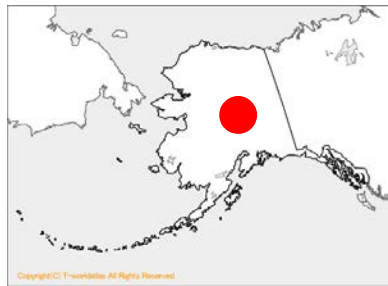


Not enough!

Satellite



Evergreen needleleaf forest: Poker Flat Research Site (Alaska)

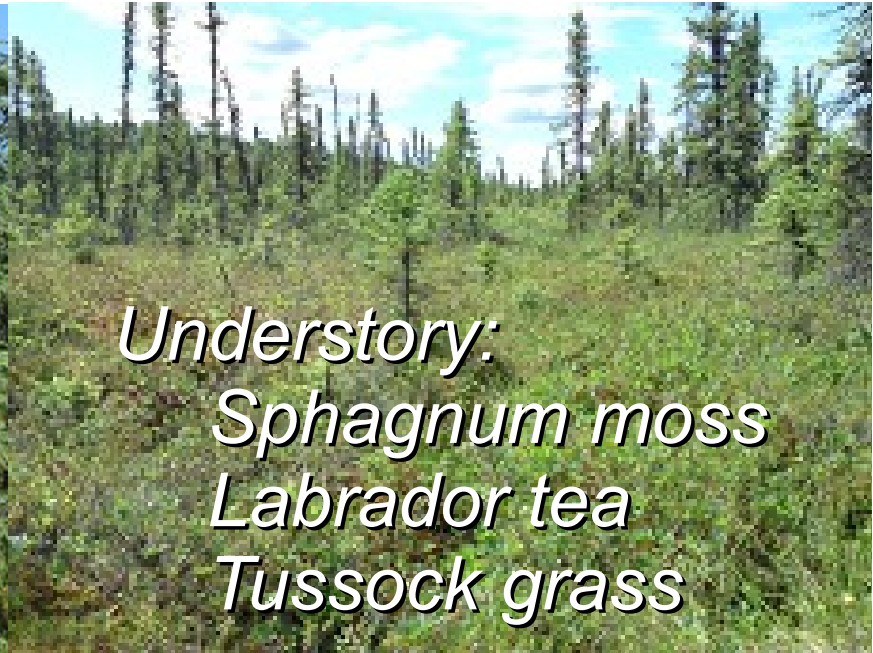
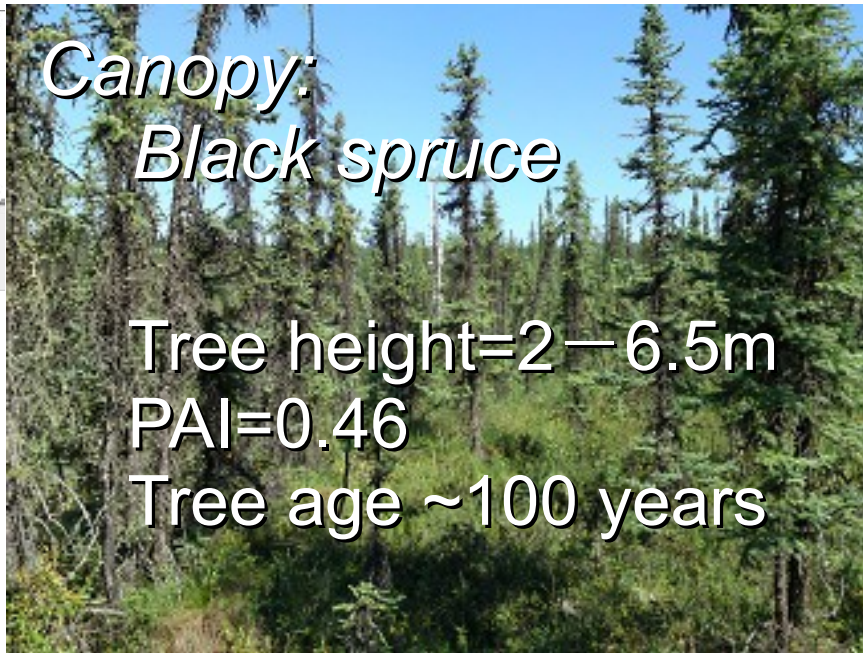


65°07' 24"N,
147°29' 14"W,
250 m a.s.l.

Canopy:
Black spruce

Tree height=2—6.5m
PAI=0.46
Tree age ~100 years

Understory:
Sphagnum moss
Labrador tea
Tussock grass



Deciduous needleleaf forest: Spasskaya Pad Site (Siberia)

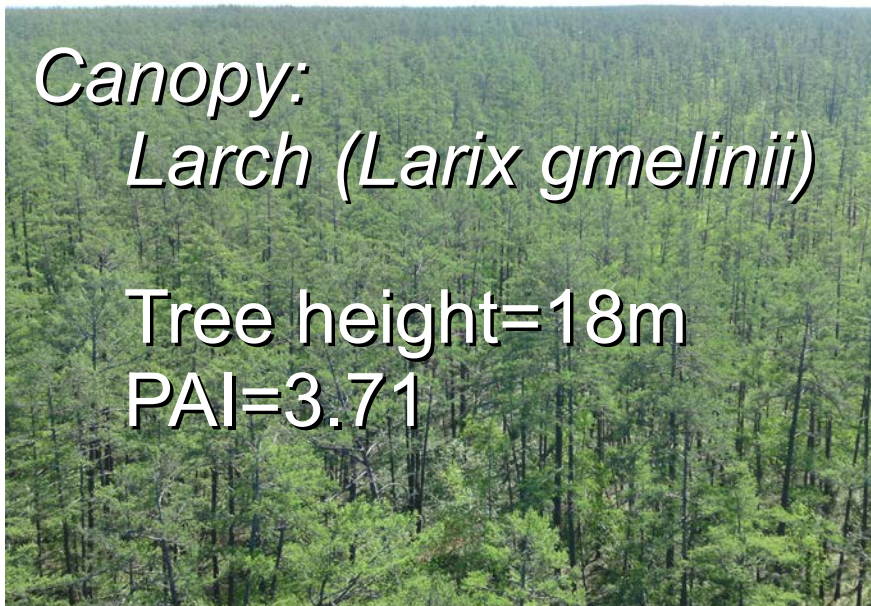


62°15'18"N,
129°37'08"E,
220 m a.s.l.

Canopy:
Larch (Larix gmelinii)

Tree height=18m
PAI=3.71

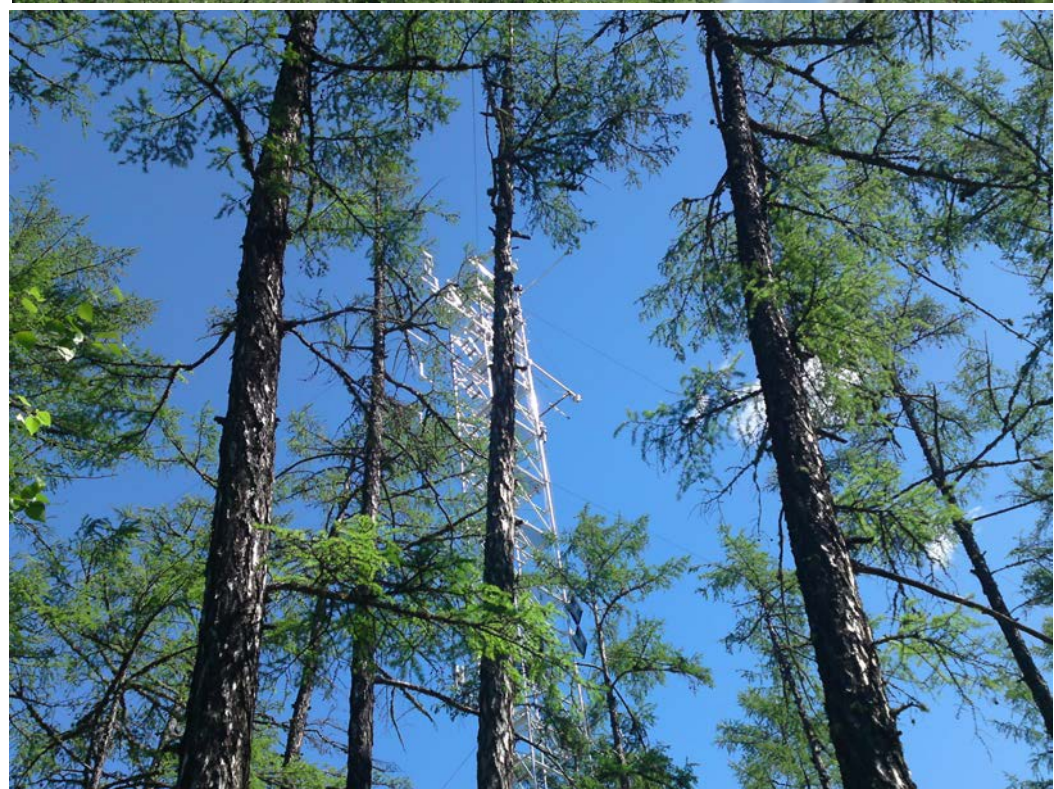
Understory:
evergreen broad-
leaved Vactinium



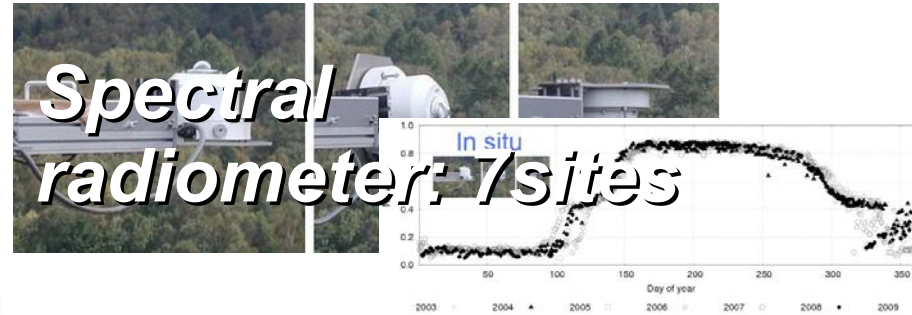
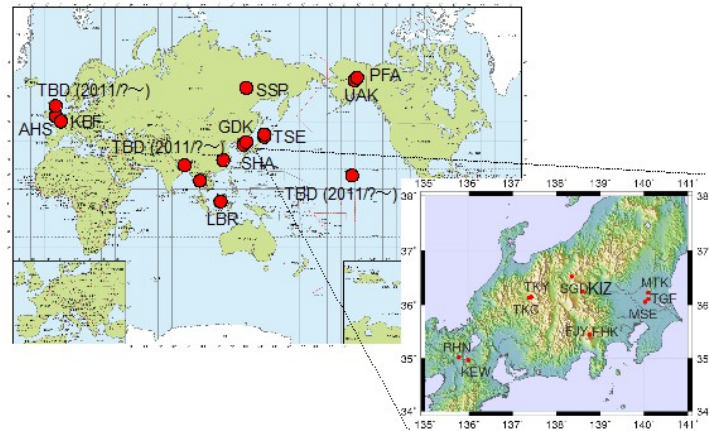
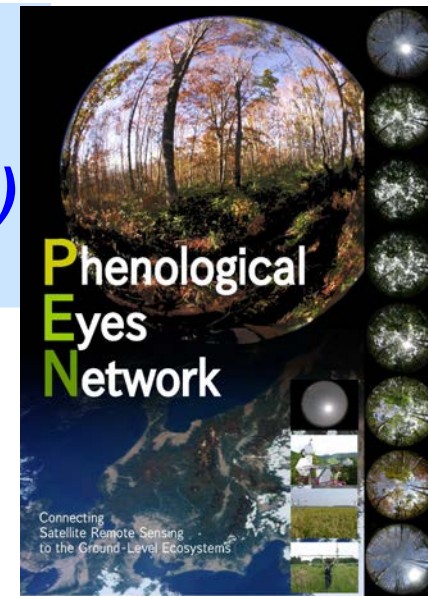
***Evergreen needleleaf forest:
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Global, long-term and continuous camera, spectral radiometer and sunphotometer sites organised by **Phenological Eyes Network (PEN)** [<http://www.pheno-eye.org>] since 2003.



Sunphotometer:
3 sites



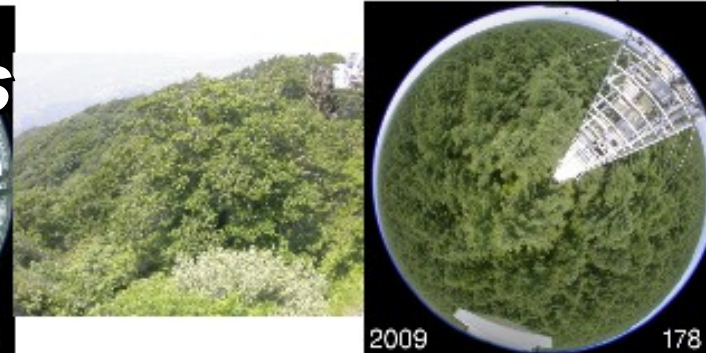
AHF (deciduous broad-leaved forest)

TKY (deciduous broad-leaved forest)

MTK (mixed forest)

FHK (deciduous coniferous forest)

Camera: 19 sites

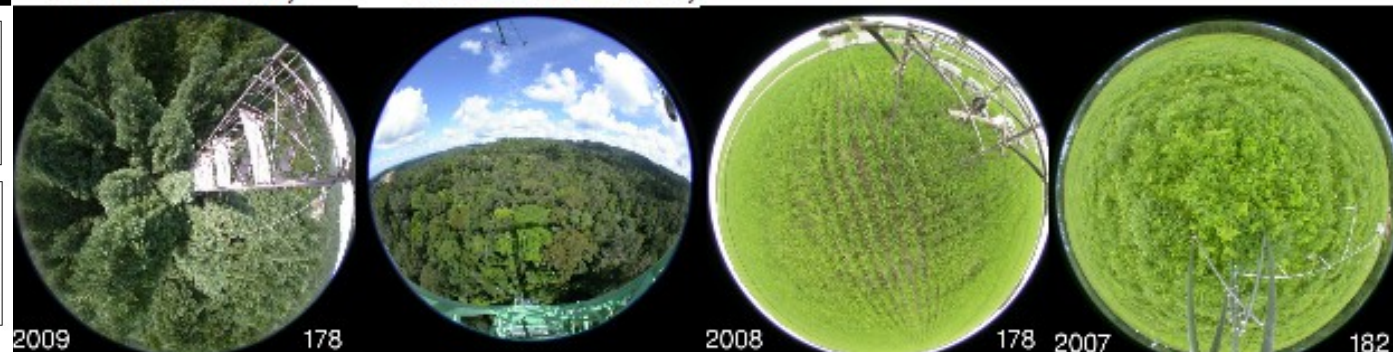
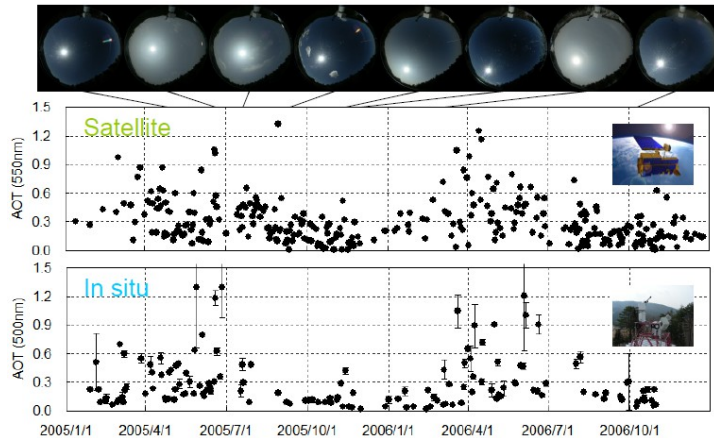


TKC (evergreen coniferous forest)

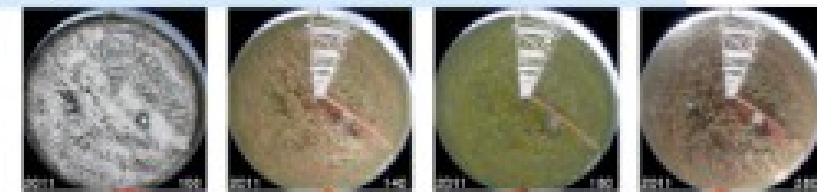
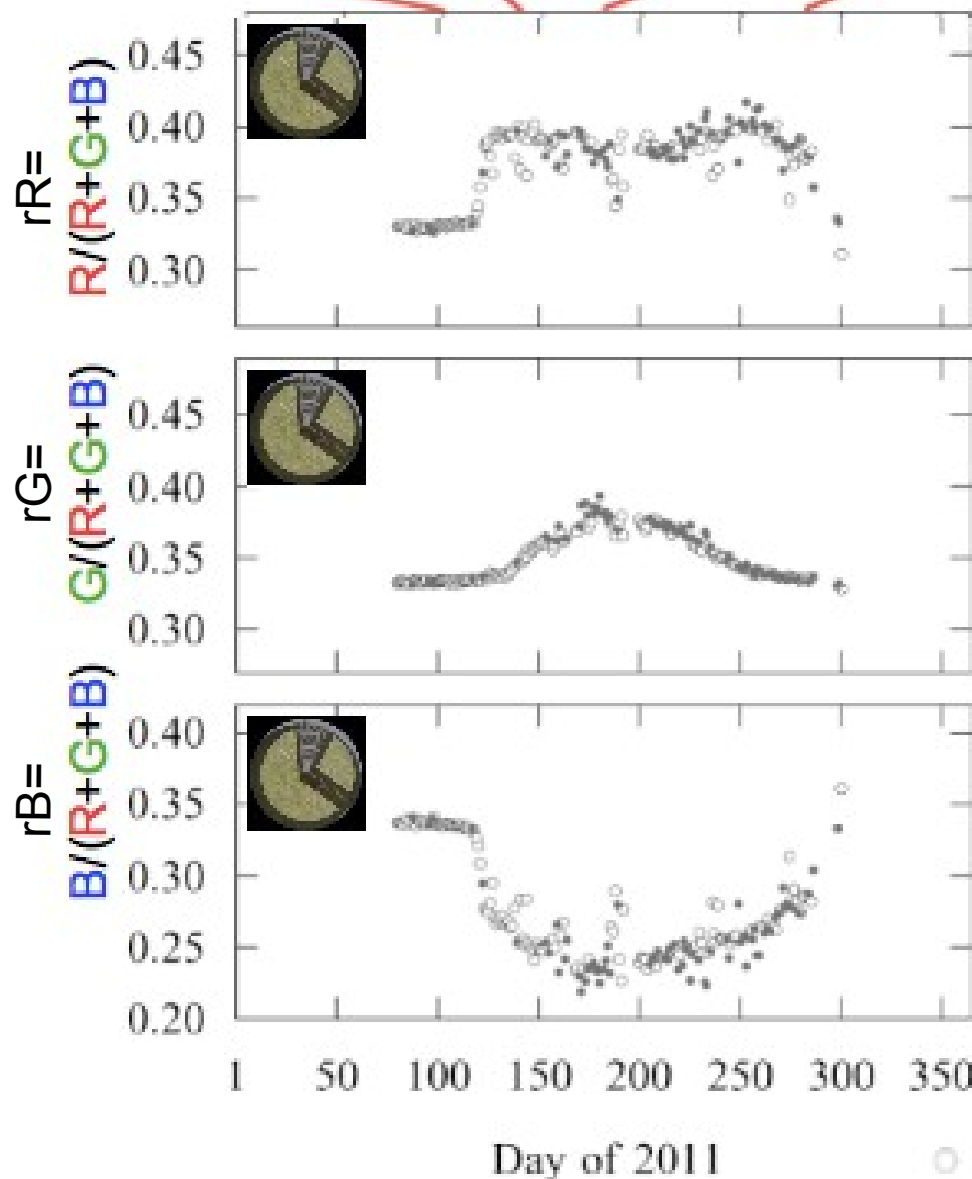
LBR (evergreen broad-leaved forest)

MSE (paddy)

SGD (grassland)



Seasonal patterns of camera-based indices and satellite-observed vegetation indices:



NDVI=

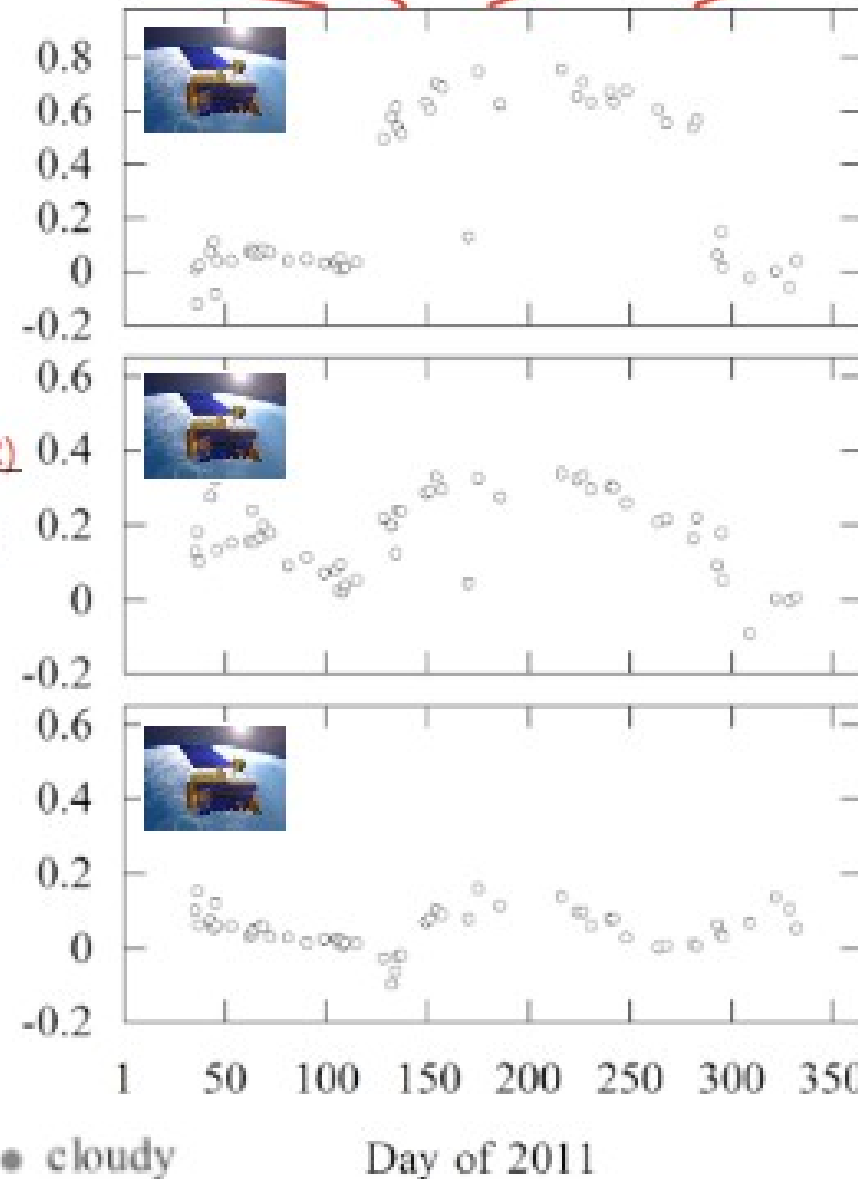
$$\frac{NIR - R}{NIR + R}$$

EVI=

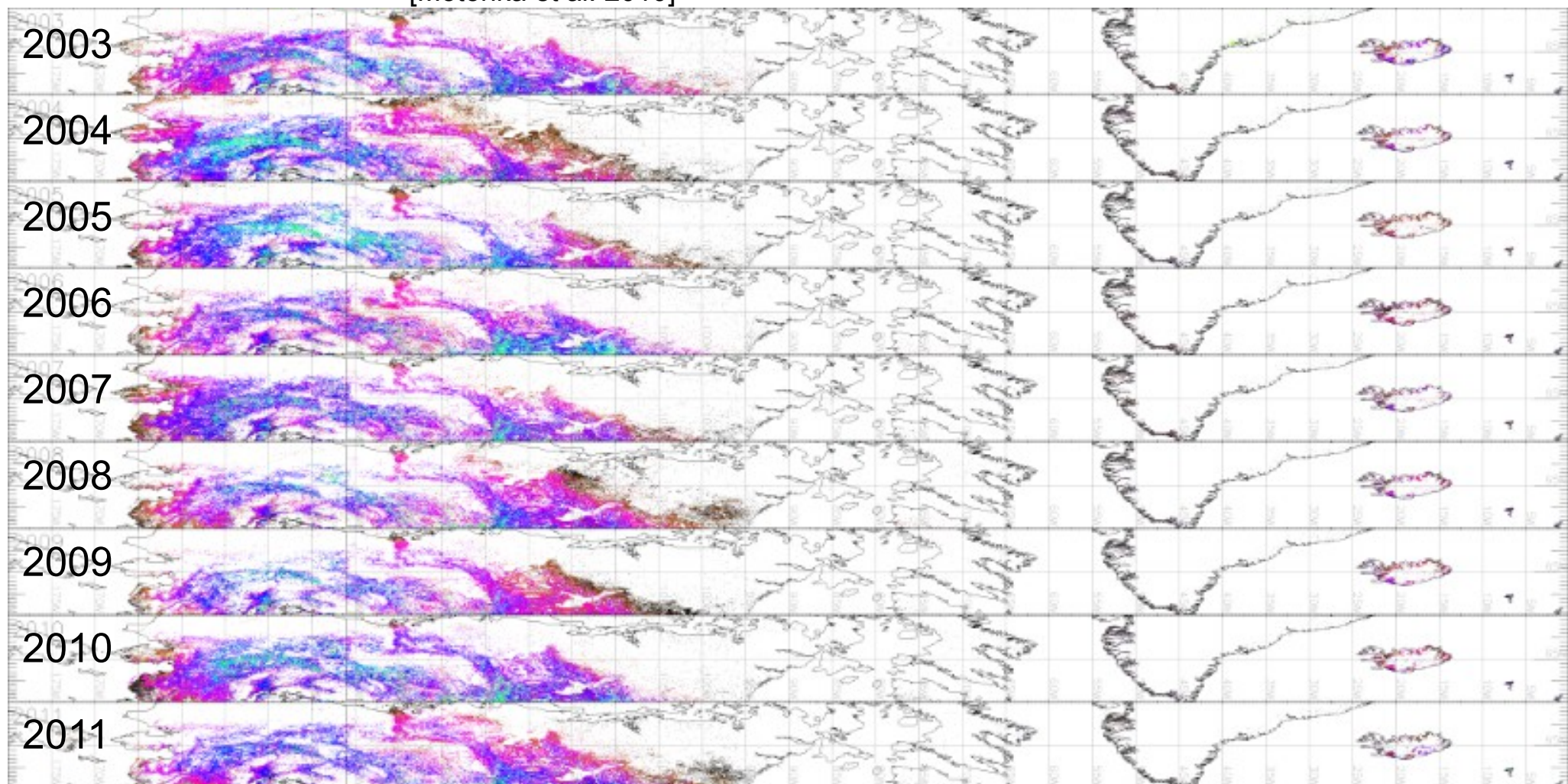
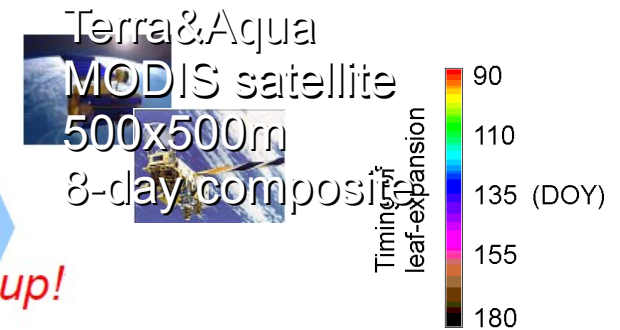
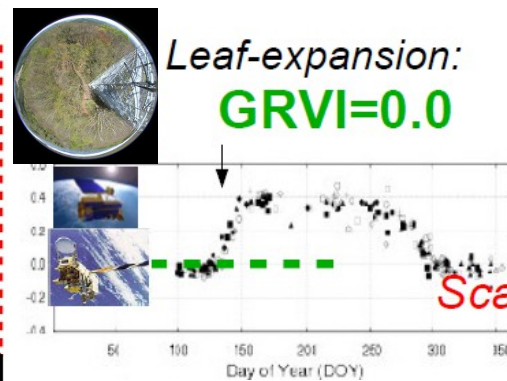
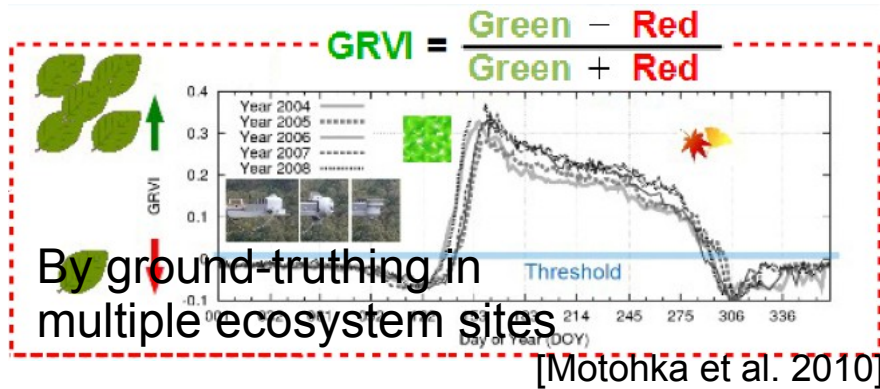
$$\frac{2.5 \times (NIR - R)}{(NIR + 6 \times R - 7.5 \times B + 1)}$$

GRVI=

$$\frac{G - R}{G + R}$$



Detection of spatio-temporal variations in the timing of leaf-expansion by using satellite-observed (Terra & Aqua MODIS) vegetation index; GRVI

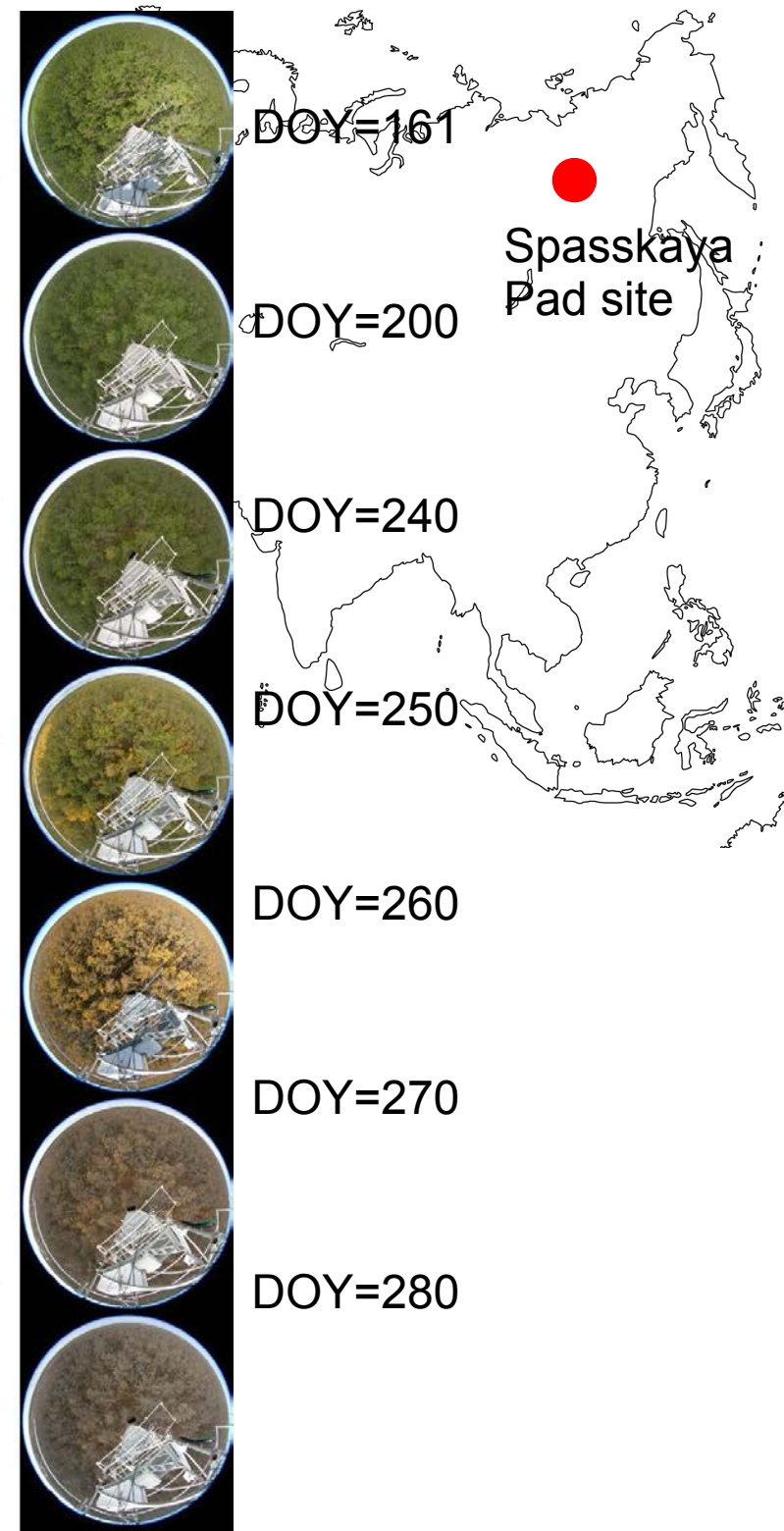
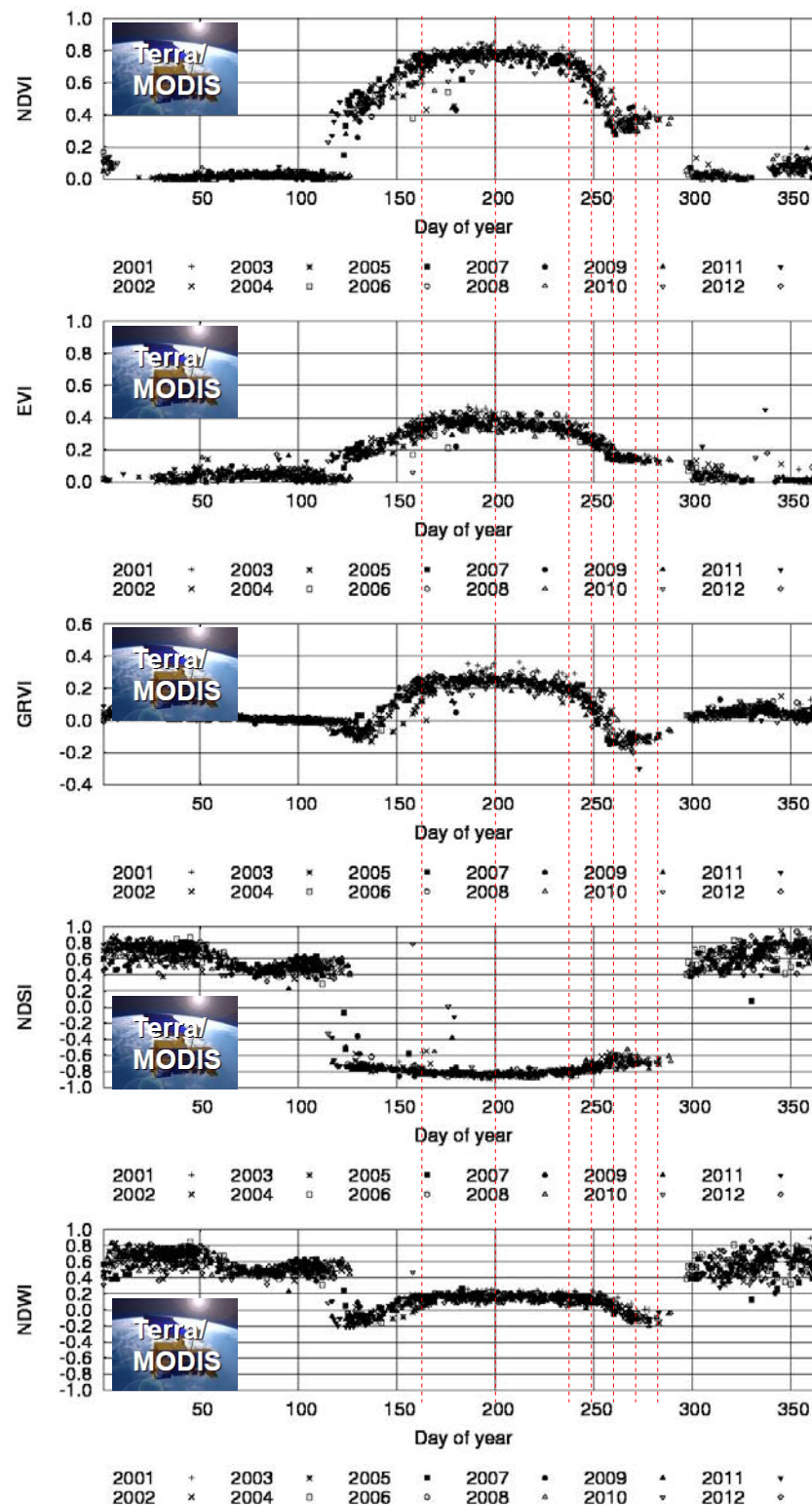




Important finding

Forest structural characteristics, such as canopy openness and seasonal forest-floor changes, should be considered during continuous observations of phenology in boreal forests.

Relationship between canopy phenology and satellite-observed vegetation indices in a deciduous coniferous (larch) forest; Spasskaya Pad site in Siberia

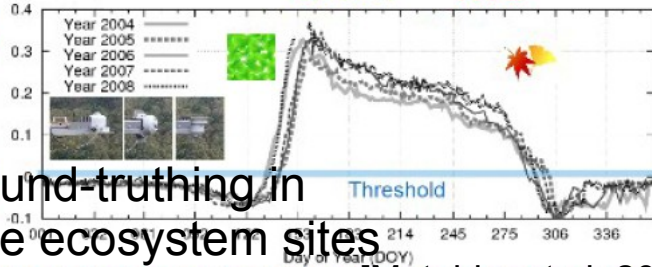


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$$GRVI = \frac{\text{Green} - \text{Red}}{\text{Green} + \text{Red}}$$



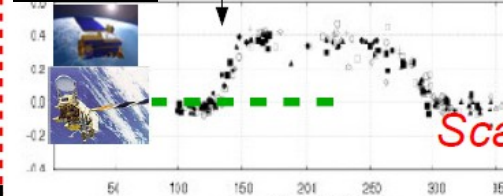
By ground-truthing in multiple ecosystem sites



[Motonaka et al. 2010]

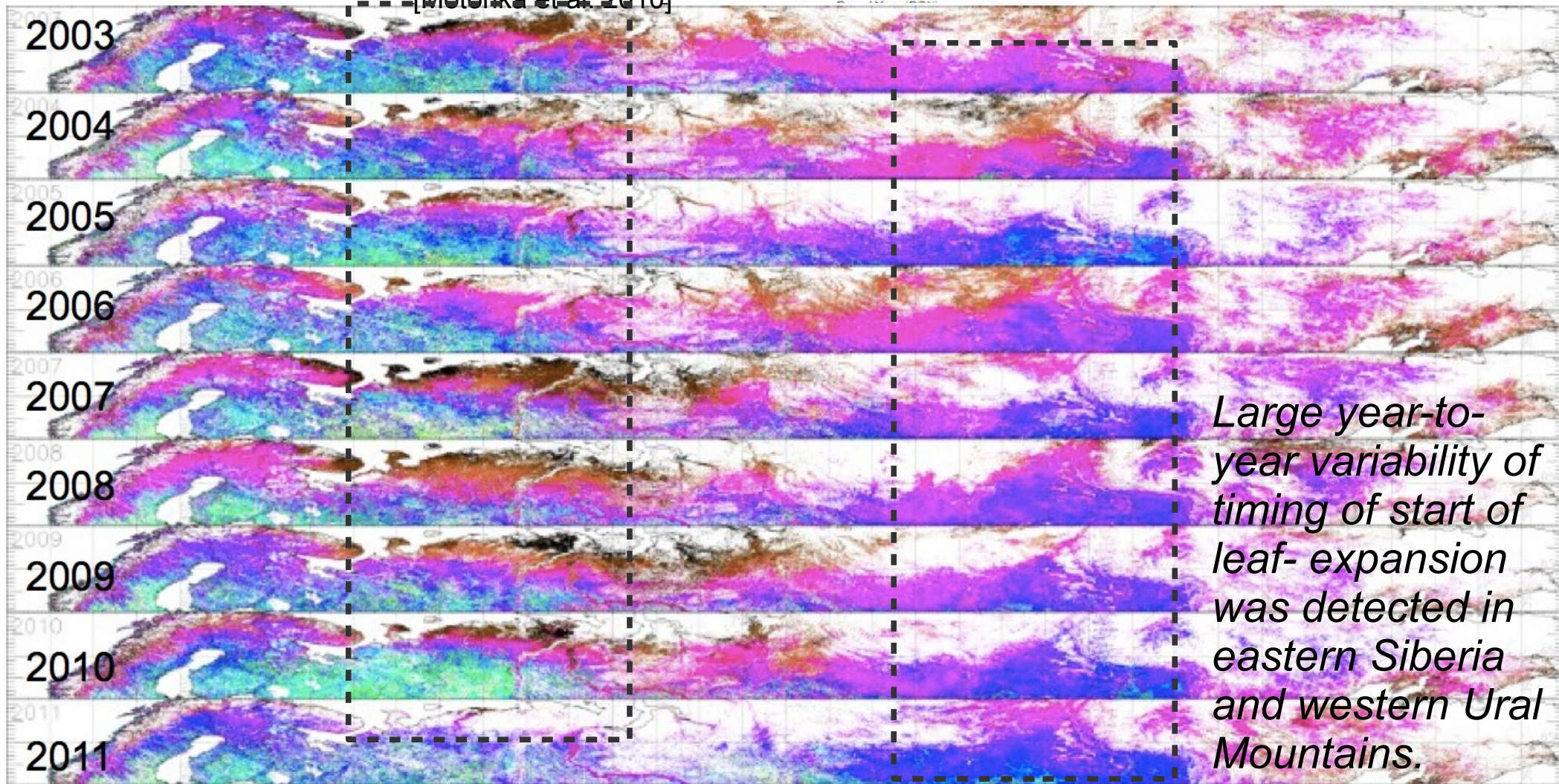
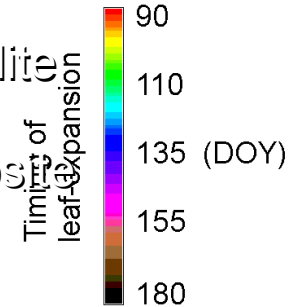


Leaf-expansion:
GRVI=0.0



Scale up!

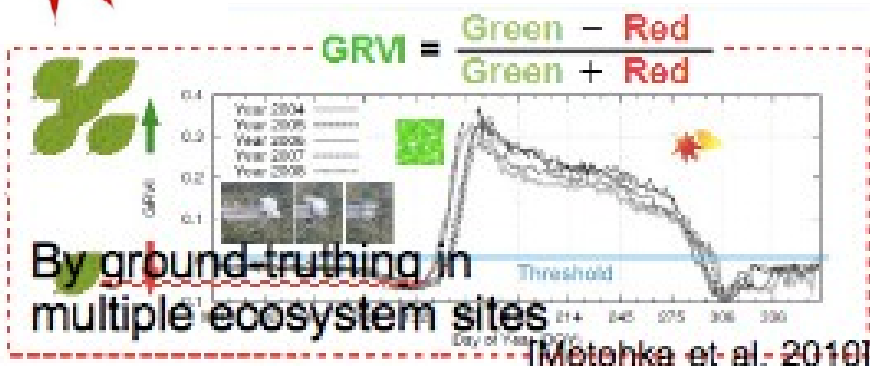
Terra&Aqua
MODIS satellite
500x500m
8-day compos



Large year-to-year variability of timing of start of leaf-expansion was detected in eastern Siberia and western Ural Mountains.



Detection of spatio-temporal variations in the timing of leaf-fall by using satellite-observed (Terra & Aqua MODIS) vegetation index; GRVI

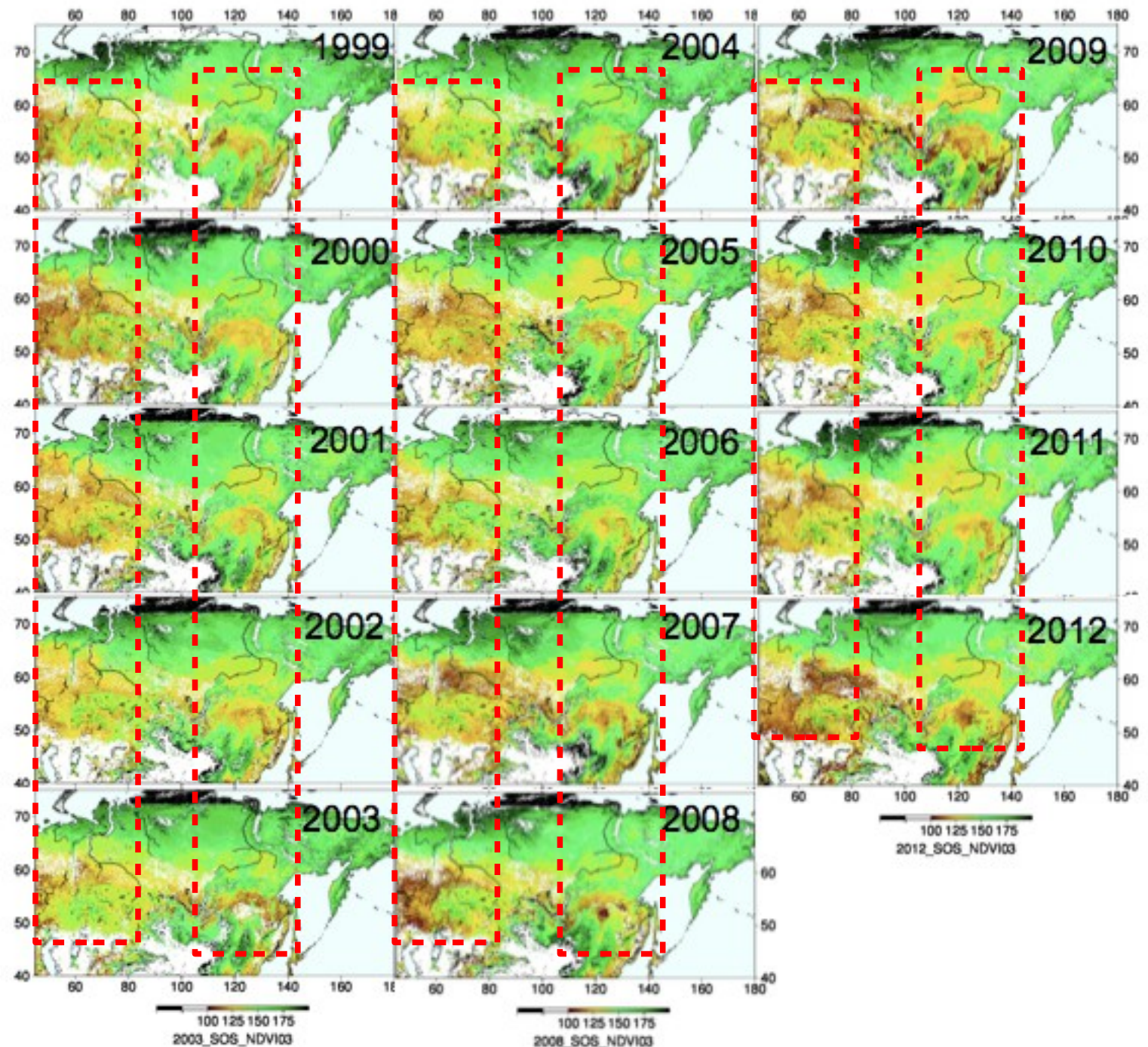


Spring onset derived by the NDVI>0.3 method (SPOT/VEGETATION)



1kmx1km
10-day composite

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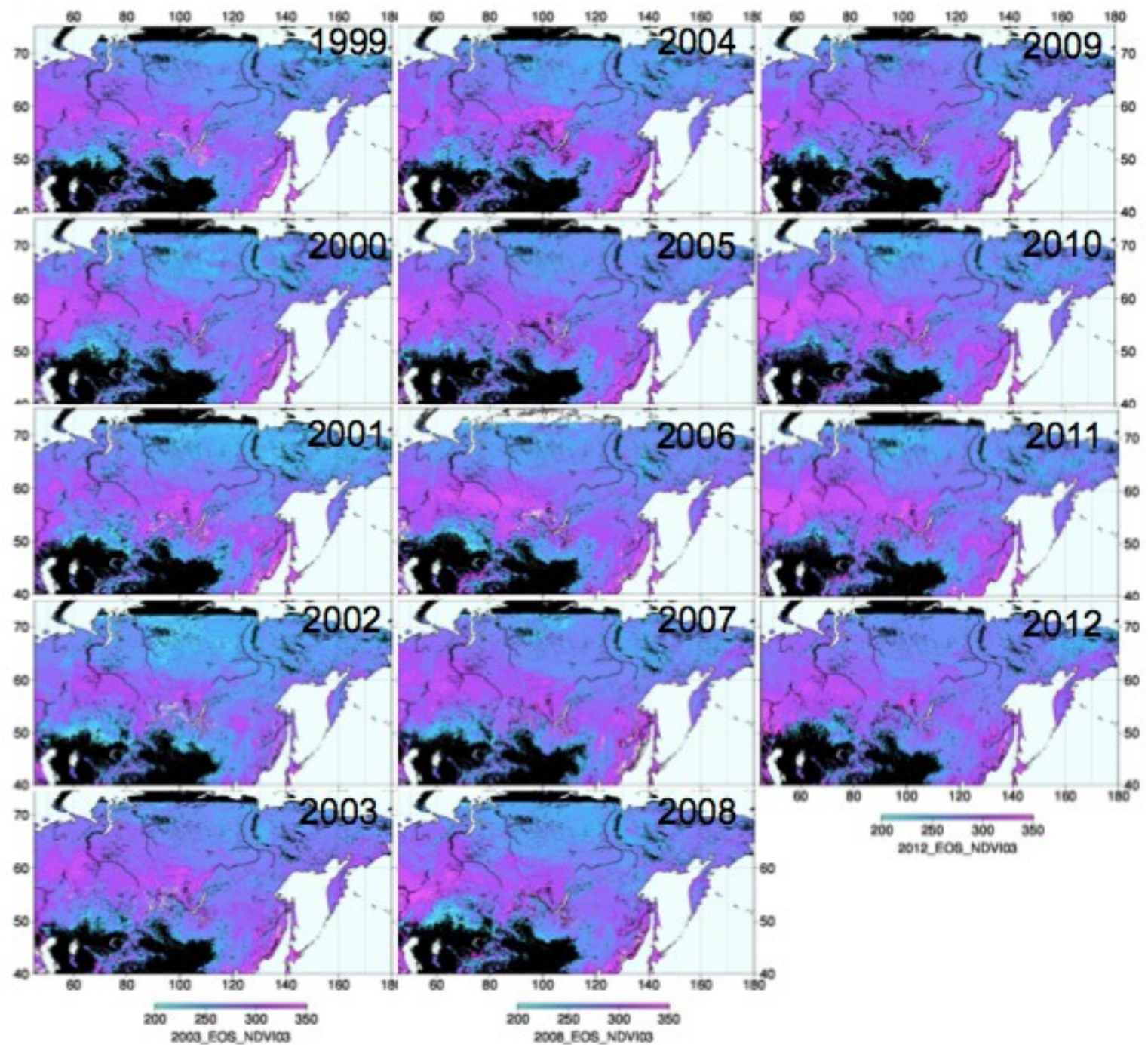




Autumn offset derived by the NDVI>0.3 method (SPOT/VEGETATION)



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10-day composite



Vegetation change is caused by environmental changes (i.e. soil moisture) in Siberia. [Drs. Iijima and Ohta]

Thawing permafrost may affect the spatio-temporal variability of boreal forests ecosystem structures, function and service.



Global warming



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