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Aerosol absorption

AeroCom Phase III

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Total Aerosol Absorbtion Optical Depth (AAOD) at $\lambda = 550$ nm

MODEL MEAN: 0.0052



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Black Carbon Absorbtion Optical Depth at $\lambda = 550$ nm

MODEL MEAN: 0.0026







Organic Aerosols Absorbtion Optical Depth at $\lambda = 550$ nm

MODEL MEAN: 0.00052





Dust Absorbtion Optical Depth at $\lambda = 550$ nm

MODEL MEAN: 0.0013





Black Carbon Mass Absorption Cross-section (MAC) at $\lambda = 550$ nm





Absorption Ångström Exponent (AAE) at $\lambda = 440$ and 870 nm



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Remaining issues

- large regional differences in both observations and models?
- burning, in dusty regions and in industrial regions.
- Why do models vary?
- update models with new knowledge



• MAC BC: some models outside observed range (global mean). Are there Compare with observed abs Ångstrøm in regions with high biomass



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