## **Model Description**



# Validation of Simulations (µg m<sup>-3</sup>)

#### Seasonal cycle of surface nitrate concentrations



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### **Total Aerosol Optical Depth**

(a) Total AOD of model simulation

0.1564

(b) Total AOD from MODIS

0.1772 (c) Model with (nitrate) -without 0.0111 (d) Model with (nitrate) -MODIS -0.0214

- The high AOD in the Sahara region of Africa was mainly due to high dust emissions.
- Calculation of AOD in the model does not consider ammonium salts and secondary organic aerosols, which lead to lower AOD values.



## Time Evolution of Nitrate Loading (mg m<sup>-2</sup>)



EA: East Asia (20–45°N, 100–145°E)

SA: South Asia (SA, 0–30 °N, 10–100 ° E)

EU: Europe (35-60 °N, 0-45°E),

The PD nitrate loading in EA (9.60 mg m<sup>-2</sup>) is much higher than those in EU (4.58 mg m<sup>-2</sup>) and SA (3.47 mg m<sup>-2</sup>), but it shows a rapid decline in the future until 2050 (except RCP6.0).

The nitrate loading in **South Asia** is predicted to be 3.23 mg m<sup>-2</sup> by 2050 under **RCP4.5**, exceeding the nitrate loading in East Asia (2.81 mg m<sup>-2</sup>) and Europe (2.69 mg m<sup>-2</sup>), making this region **the largest contributor to nitrate emissions** in this scenario.

Nitrate loading in Europe is predicted to **decline** under three RCP scenarios

### Nitrate DRF & ERF





### nitrate ERF in the future

|        | 2030  | 2050  |
|--------|-------|-------|
| RCP4.5 | -0.17 | -0.07 |
| RCP6.0 | -0.20 | -0.18 |
| RCP8.5 | -0.24 | -0.19 |