

# Assessing Responses and Impacts of Solar climate intervention on the Earth system with stratospheric aerosol injection (ARISE-SAI): protocol and initial results from the first simulations

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**Abstract.** Solar climate intervention using stratospheric aerosol injection is a proposed method of reducing global mean temperatures to reduce the worst consequences of climate change. A detailed assessment of responses and impacts of such an intervention is needed with multiple global models to support societal decisions regarding the use of these approaches to help address climate change. We present here a new modeling protocol aimed at simulating a plausible deployment of stratospheric aerosol injection and reproducibility of simulations using other Earth system models. Assessing Responses and Impacts of Solar climate intervention on the Earth system with stratospheric aerosol injection (ARISE-SAI). The protocol and simulations are aimed at enabling community assessment of responses of the Earth system to solar climate intervention. ARISE-SAI simulations are designed to be more policy relevant than existing large ensembles or multi-model simulation sets. We describe in detail the first set of ARISE-SAI simulations, ARISE-SAI-1.5, which utilize a moderate emissions scenario, introduce stratospheric aerosol injection at ~21.5 km in year 2035, and keep global mean surface air temperature near 1.5°C above the pre-industrial value utilizing a feedback or control algorithm. We present here the detailed set-up, aerosol injection strategy, and preliminary climate analysis from a 10-member ensemble of these simulations carried out with the Community Earth System Model, version 2 with the Whole Atmosphere Community Climate Model version 6 as its atmospheric component.

## 1 Introduction

Solar climate intervention (SCI), or solar radiation modification, is a proposed strategy that could potentially reduce the adverse effects on weather and climate associated with climate change by increasing the reflection of sunlight by particles and clouds in the atmosphere. The recent National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (NASEM) report on solar geoengineering research and governance (NASEM, 2021) calls for increased research to understand the benefits, risks and impacts of various SCI approaches. Stratospheric aerosol injection (SAI), which

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aims to mimic the effects of volcanic eruptions on climate, has been shown to be a promising method of global climate intervention in terms of restoring climate to present day conditions in global climate or Earth system models (e.g.: Tilmes et al., 2018; MacMartin et al. 2019; Simpson et al., 2019). However, there still exist large uncertainties in climate response and impacts (NASEM, 2021, Kravitz and MacMartin, 2020), and ensuing human and ecological impacts (Carlson and Trisos, 2018). Due to the large internal variability of Earth's climate, the evaluation of SCI risks and impacts requires large ensembles of simulations (Deser et al., 2012; Kay et al., 2015; Maher et al., 2021) and Earth system models (ESMs) capable of simulating the key processes and interactions between multiple Earth system components, including prognostic aerosols, interactive chemistry, and coupling between the atmosphere, land, ocean, and sea ice. For studies of climate intervention using SAI, an accurate representation of the entire stratosphere, including dynamics and chemistry, is needed to capture the transport of aerosols and their interactions with stratospheric constituents such as water vapor and ozone (e.g.: Pitari et al., 2014).

The Geoengineering Model Intercomparison Project (GeoMIP) for many years has facilitated inter-model comparisons of possible climate responses to SCI to examine where model responses to geoengineering were robust and identify areas of large uncertainty. However, in order to ensure participation from multiple ESMs, the design of GeoMIP simulations has often been simplified by utilizing solar constant reduction (Kravitz et al., 2013; Kravitz et al., 2021) or prescription of an aerosol distribution (Tilmes et al., 2015) or a spatially uniform injection rate of SO<sub>2</sub> (i.e. continuous injection from 10°N to 10°S in the most recent G6sulfur experiments (Visioni et al., 2021b). Visioni et al. (2021a) showed that solar dimming does not produce the same surface climate effects as simulating aerosols in the stratosphere. Kravitz et al. (2019) showed that strategically injecting SO<sub>2</sub> at multiple locations to maintain more than one climate target may reduce some of the projected side-effects by more evenly cooling at all latitudes; hence, model experiments with plausible implementation of SCI are needed in order to assess risks and benefits of these strategies.

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The Geoengineering Large Ensemble (GLENS, Tilmes et al. 2018), which used version 1 of the Community Earth System Model with the Whole Atmosphere Community Climate Model as its atmospheric component (CESM1(WACCM), Mills et al. 2017), was the first large-ensemble (20-member) set of climate intervention simulations carried out with a single ESM that interactively represented many of the key processes relevant to SAI and has provided a community dataset for the examination of potential impact of SAI on mean climate and variability. GLENS utilized sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) injections that were strategically placed every year to keep the global mean temperature, equator-to-pole, and pole-to-pole temperature gradients near 2020 levels in an effort to minimize the surface temperature impacts of this intervention. However, GLENS has several experimental design issues that are not aligned with realistic projections for Earth system outcomes that would provide more accurate representation of possible real-world effects and impacts. Firstly, GLENS adopted a high emission scenario of RCP8.5 until 2100, requiring a very large amount of stratospheric aerosols by the end of the century to offset the continuously increasing emissions. Estimates for future emissions based on current commitments are lower than RCP8.5 (Hausfather and Peters, 2020), and thus impact analyses, especially based on the last two decades of the GLENS, are likely to overestimate the risks and adverse impacts of SAI. Additionally, in the GLENS simulations, intervention commenced

84 in 2020, adding another unrealistic element from a real-world standpoint. Furthermore, SO<sub>2</sub> injections were at 23-25  
 85 km altitude, which is technologically more difficult to achieve than a lower altitude injection (Bingaman et al. 2020).  
 86 Tilmes et al. (2020) has carried out simulations with SO<sub>2</sub> injections with CESM2(WACCM6) and GLENS-  
 87 like set-up for the Shared Socioeconomic Pathway SSP5-8.5 and SSP5-3.4-OS scenarios (O'Neill et al., 2016). Here  
 88 we ~~propose a new SAI modeling protocol for a suite of simulations designed to simulate a more plausible~~  
 89 ~~implementation scenario of SCI using SAI that can be replicated by other modeling centers. We denote the entire set~~  
 90 ~~of current and future simulations conducted under this protocol as “Assessing Responses and Impacts of Solar climate~~  
 91 ~~intervention on the Earth system,” or “ARISE,” with simulations of SAI denoted “ARISE-SAI”. We anticipate that in~~  
 92 ~~the future similar simulations utilizing other climate intervention methods such as Marine Cloud Brightening (MCB)~~  
 93 ~~or Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR), will result in ARISE-MCB or ARISE-CDR simulations respectively. In addition,~~  
 94 ~~we present preliminary results from the first set of these simulations carried out with the Community Earth System~~  
 95 ~~Model, version 2 with the Whole Atmosphere Community Climate Model version 6 as its atmospheric component~~  
 96 ~~(CESM2(WACCM6)). The paper is structured as follows: section 2 provides an overview of ARISE-SAI protocol~~  
 97 ~~including ARISE-SAI-1.5, section 3 describes the model used to describe the realization of ARISE-SAI-1.5 with~~  
 98 ~~CESM2(WACCM6), section 4 shows surface temperature and precipitation in these simulations, and section 5 offers~~  
 99 ~~a summary and conclusions.~~

## 100 2 ARISE-SAI

### 101 2.1 Reference Simulations

102 ~~Evaluation of impacts of SCI requires a set of non-SCI reference simulations to enable comparison of impacts with~~  
 103 ~~and without SAI. As motivated by MacMartin et al (2022), we use here the moderate Shared Socioeconomic Pathway~~  
 104 ~~scenario of SSP2-4.5 for our simulations, which more closely captures current policy scenarios compared to higher~~  
 105 ~~emission scenarios such as SSP5-8.5 (Burgess et al., 2020). SSP2-4.5, which marks a continuation of the~~  
 106 ~~Representative Concentration Pathway 4.5 (RCP4.5) scenario, is a “middle-of-the-road,” intermediate mitigation~~  
 107 ~~scenario where “the world follows a path in which social, economic, and technological trends do not shift markedly~~  
 108 ~~from historical patterns” (O'Neill et al., 2017), representing the medium range of future forcing pathways (O'Neill et~~  
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### 110 2.2 Protocol Overview

111 ~~The ARISE-SAI simulations are designed to simulate a plausible implementation scenario of SCI using SAI for~~  
 112 ~~evaluation of potential climate intervention risks and impacts. MacMartin et al. (2022) described in detail the need for~~  
 113 ~~various scenarios to evaluate impacts of SCI and five dimensions of SCI deployment options which include the~~  
 114 ~~background climate-change scenario, desired target of cooling, start date of deployment, how cooling is achieved, and~~  
 115 ~~other factors that could affect decisions. The proposed default ARISE-SAI protocols follow closely the recommended~~  
 116 ~~scenario choices described in MacMartin et al. (2022) and describe details of implementation in Earth system models,~~  
 117 ~~although different choices can be made in the future to expand the simulation set. In particular, the proposed ARISE-~~

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SAI simulations utilize a moderate emission scenario, SSP2-4.5 (O'Neill et al., 2016) and cool the Earth to a global mean temperature target (TT) above preindustrial levels denoted in the specific name of the simulations (e.g.: ARISE-SAI-TT). For example, ARISE-SAI-1.5 and ARISE-SAI-1.0 simulations aim to maintain global surface temperatures at  $\sim 1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $\sim 1.0^{\circ}\text{C}$  above preindustrial levels respectively.

The protocol in the first ARISE-SAI simulations (without a delayed start) simulates deployment beginning in 2035 after the global surface temperature reaches  $\sim 1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  above preindustrial levels, the target proposed in the 2015 Paris agreement and described by the IPCC as an important threshold for climate safety (IPCC 2018). Simulations are carried out for 35 years (2035 - 2069), which is sufficient to consider both a transition period of  $\sim 10$  years and a quasi-equilibrium of at least 20 years after the controller converges. Minimum recommended ensemble size is 3, although more members will allow for more thorough evaluation of impacts on variability.

### 2.3 ARISE-SAI-1.5

The first ARISE-SAI simulations, ARISE-SAI-1.5 presented here, aim to keep the global mean temperature at  $\sim 1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  above pre-industrial levels. There is uncertainty among Earth system models with regard to when Earth's global mean surface temperature ( $T_0$ ) will reach  $1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  above pre-industrial levels. The recent Intergovernmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC) Sixth Assessment Report (AR6) (IPCC, 2021) finds that  $1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  over pre-industrial will very likely be exceeded in the near term (2021 - 2040) under the very high greenhouse gas (GHG) emission scenario (SSP5-8.5) and likely to be exceeded under the intermediate and high GHG emissions scenarios (SSP2-4.5 and SSP3-7.0). The IPCC AR6 defines  $1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  as the time at which  $T_0$  will reach  $0.65^{\circ}\text{C}$  above the historical reference period of 1995 - 2014. The  $T_0$  between 1995 - 2014 is  $0.85^{\circ}\text{C}$  above the pre-industrial (PI) value defined as the 1850 - 1900 average in the observational record. Using 31 global models, Tebaldi et al. (2021) found that the average across models of when  $1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  will be reached is 2028 under the SSP2-4.5 scenario (using 1995-2014 as  $0.84^{\circ}\text{C}$  rather than  $0.85^{\circ}\text{C}$  above PI), but with considerable variation across models. To simplify future model intercomparisons, we choose the time period of 2020 - 2039 (or  $\sim 2030$  levels) as our reference period of when  $T_0$  is  $\sim 1.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  above PI values and make that the target  $T_0$  in the ARISE-SAI-1.5 climate intervention simulations.

In addition to keeping  $T_0$ , the ARISE-SAI simulations aim to keep the north-south temperature gradient ( $T_1$ ), and equator-to-pole temperature gradient ( $T_2$ ) to those corresponding to the temperature target. This is achieved by utilizing a "controller" algorithm (MacMartin et al., 2014; Kravitz et al., 2017) that specifies the amount of  $\text{SO}_2$  injection. This approach was used in GLENS and the simulations presented in Tilmes et al. (2020). The controller algorithm is freely available as described in the Code Availability section. Sulfur dioxide injections in the ARISE-SAI simulations are placed at four injection locations ( $15^{\circ}\text{S}$ ,  $15^{\circ}\text{N}$ ,  $30^{\circ}\text{S}$ ,  $30^{\circ}\text{N}$ ) into one grid box at  $\sim 21.5$  km altitude. The injection latitudes are the same as used in GLENS and in previous studies examining the model's responses to single-point  $\text{SO}_2$  injections (Tilmes et al., 2017; Richter et al., 2017). These four injection locations are sufficient to independently control the targets that we are trying to achieve (Kravitz et al., 2017). These four injection locations have also been demonstrated to be sufficient to produce the optical depth patterns that independently control the targets that we are trying to achieve in various versions of CESM(WACCM) (MacMartin et al., 2017; Zhang et al., 2022;

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168 MacMartin et al., 2022). The prescribed injection altitude is estimated to be achievable by existing aircraft  
169 technologies that could be adapted for climate intervention use (Bingaman et al., 2020). After each year of simulation,  
170 the algorithm calculates the global mean temperature, T0, north-south temperature gradient, T1, and equator-to-pole  
171 temperature gradient, T2, and based on the deviation from the goal, specifies the annual values of injections at the  
172 four locations for the subsequent year. T1 and T2 were defined in Kravitz et al. (2017), Equation 1.

## 173 174 2.4 Recommended Output

175 Comprehensive monthly output as well as high-frequency output for analysis of high-impact events (described in  
176 detail in the Data Records section) is needed for analysis of SCI impacts on the Earth System. Acknowledging  
177 limitations of various modeling centers, we recommended a minimum set of monthly-mean output fields in Table A1  
178 in the Data Records section and include the full comprehensive output list that was created with the CESM2(WACCM)  
179 simulations based on input from the broader community. All model output for the simulations should be provided in  
180 NetCDF format. All variables should be in time-series format, with one variable per file. 3-dimensional atmospheric  
181 output should be on the original model levels or on standard CMIP6 levels. For monthly atmospheric output,  
182 information on aerosol microphysics (which is not a standard CMIP6 output) is also very relevant for diagnostics of  
183 the aerosols' behavior under SAI; for instance, CESM2(WACCM6) includes as standard output the mass and number  
184 concentration for all aerosol modes and the aerosol effective radius. Other modeling centers should consider providing  
185 this (model specific) information as well. In addition, higher-frequency (daily averaged, 3-hourly averaged, 3-hourly  
186 instantaneous, and 1-hourly mean) output is desired for the atmospheric model that will enable analysis of extreme  
187 events (e.g.: Tye et al. 2022). The atmospheric output at various time frequencies is described in Appendix A, Tables  
188 A2 - A5. Daily averaged output of land model variables is shown in Tables A6 and A7, whereas 6-hourly output from  
189 the land model is listed in Table A8. Tables A9 and A10 show the daily output from the ocean and sea-ice models  
190 respectively. The table captions describe which output is specific to ARISE-SAI-1.5 and the new five SSP2-4.5  
191 CESM2(WACCM6) ensemble members, and which is common to all simulations. An online table showing all the  
192 output fields for the simulations, along with their description and units, is at:  
193 <https://www.cgd.ucar.edu/ccr/strandwg/WACCM6-TSMLT-SSP245/>.

## 194 2.5 Additional ARISE-SAI simulations

195 The ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations described above are likely to be most relevant to policy makers and hence  
196 reproduction of the experiments in multiple models is desired. ARISE-SAI simulations are already being performed  
197 with the UKESM model. ARISE-SAI-1.0 simulations as well as ARISE-SAI-1.5-2045, with start of intervention  
198 delayed by 10 years, are in progress with CESM2(WACCM). A subset of simulations describing these different initial  
199 conditions and targets is discussed in MacMartin et al. (2022) using a slightly more simplified version of  
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### 3. ARISE-SAI-1.5 with CESM2(WACCM6)

We present here the details of implementation of ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations in CESM2(WACCM6).

#### 3.1 Model Description

CESM2(WACCM6) is the most comprehensive version of the NCAR whole atmosphere ESM, and is described in detail in Gettelman et al., 2019; Danabasoglu et al., 2020. CESM2(WACCM6) was used to contribute climate change projection simulations to the Coupled Model Intercomparison Project Phase 6 (CMIP6) (Eyring et al., 2016). CESM2(WACCM6). CESM2(WACCM6) is a fully coupled ESM with prognostic atmosphere, land, ocean, sea-ice, land-ice, river and wave components. The atmospheric model, WACCM6, uses a finite volume dynamical core with horizontal resolution of 1.25° longitude by 0.9° latitude. WACCM6 includes 70 vertical levels with a model top at  $4.5 \times 10^6$  hPa (~ 140 km). Tropospheric physics in WACCM6 are the same as in the lower top configuration, the Community Atmosphere Model version 6 (CAM6). CESM2(WACCM6) includes a parameterization of non-orographic waves which follows Richter et al. (2010) with changes to tunable parameters described in Gettelman et al. (2019). Parameterized gravity waves are a substantial driver of the quasi-biennial oscillation (QBO) which is internally-generated in CESM2(WACCM6). CESM2(WACCM6) includes prognostic aerosols which are represented using the Modal Aerosol Model version 4 (MAM4) as described in Liu et al. (2016). This includes four modes, of which only three are used for sulfate: Aitken, Accumulation and Coarse mode. In the stratosphere, CESM(WACCM6) includes a comprehensive interactive sulfur cycle, as described for instance in Mills et al. (2016); this allows for SO<sub>2</sub> oxidation (with interactive OH concentration) and subsequent nucleation and coagulation of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> into sulfate aerosol (allowing for inter-mode transfer), which are then removed from the stratosphere through gravitational settling and large-scale circulation. A more indepth analysis of the size distribution and vertical distribution of sulfate aerosols under SO<sub>2</sub> injections has been performed in Visioni et al. (2022) (for single-point injections at the same latitudes and altitudes as those described in these simulations), also compared with results from other models with similar aerosol microphysics (UKESM1 and GISS), highlighting that in CESM2(WACCM6) the produced stratospheric aerosol are mainly found in the Coarse mode. CESM2(WACCM6) also includes a comprehensive chemistry module with interactive tropospheric, stratospheric, mesospheric and lower thermospheric chemistry (TSMLT) with 228 prognostic chemical species, described in detail in Gettelman et al. (2019).

The ocean model in CESM2(WACCM6) is based on the Parallel Ocean Program version 2 (POP2; Smith et al., 2010; Danabasoglu et al., 2012; Danabasoglu et al., 2020). The horizontal resolution of POP2 is uniform in the zonal direction (1.125°) and varies from 0.64° (occurring in the Northern Hemisphere) to 0.27° at the Equator. The ocean biogeochemistry is represented using the Marine Biogeochemistry Library (MARBL), which is an updated implementation of the Biochemistry Elemental Cycle (Moore et al., 2002; 2004; 2013). CESM2 uses version 3.14 of the NOAA WaveWatch-III ocean surface wave prediction model (Tolman, 2009). Sea-ice in CESM2(WACCM6) is represented using CICE version 5.1.2 (CICE5; Hunke et al., 2015) and uses the same horizontal grid as POP2.

CESM2(WACCM6) uses the Community Land Model version 5 (CLM5) (Lawrence et al., 2019). CLM5 includes a global crop model that treats planting, harvest, grain fill, and grain yields for six crop types (Levis et al.,

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278 2018), a new fire model (Li et al., 2013; Li and Lawrence, 2017), multiple urban classes and an updated urban energy  
279 model (Oleson & Feddema, 2019), and improved representation of plant dynamics. The river transport model used is  
280 the Model for Scale Adaptive River Transport (MOSART; H. Y. Li et al., 2013).

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282 **3.2 Reference simulations**

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284 A 5-member reference ensemble with CESM2(WACCM6) and the SSP2-4.5 scenario was carried out as part of the  
285 CMIP6 project for years 2015 - 2100. Surface temperature evolution and equilibrium climate sensitivity in these  
286 simulations are described in detail in Meehl et al. (2020). We carried out an additional 5-member ensemble of these  
287 simulations from years 2015 - 2069 with augmented high-frequency output for high-impact event analysis, as well as  
288 additional output for the land model to match the SCI simulations. The additional 5-member ensemble was branched  
289 from the three existing historical CESM2(WACCM6) simulations in the same manner as the first 5-member ensemble,  
290 but with an addition of small temperature perturbations for each ensemble member ([6, 7, 8, 9, 10]  $\times 10^{-14}$  K,  
291 respectively), at the first model timestep. CESM2 ranks highly against other CMIP6 models in the ability to represent  
292 large scale circulations and key features of tropospheric climate over the historical time period (e.g.: Simpson et al.,  
293 2020; Duviver et al., 2020; Coburn and Pryor 2021).

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295 **3.3 ARISE-SAI-1.5 Simulations**

296 In CESM2(WACCM6) SO<sub>2</sub> injections were placed at 180° longitude and bounded by two pressure interfaces: 47.1  
297 hPa and 39.3 hPa (approximate geometric altitude at gridbox midpoint of 21.6 km). Based on the 2020 - 2039 mean  
298 of the SSP2-4.5 simulations with CESM2(WACCM6), the surface temperature targets for the ARISE-SAI-1.5  
299 ensemble for T0, T1, and T2 are 288.64 K, 0.8767 K, and -5.89 K, respectively.

300 The first five members of ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations were initialized in 2035 from the first five members  
301 (001 to 005) of the SSP2-4.5 simulations carried out with CESM2(WACCM6); hence, all had different initial ocean,  
302 sea-ice, land, and atmospheric initial conditions on January 1, 2035. Similarly to the SSP2-4.5 simulations, subsequent  
303 ensemble members (006 through 010) were initialized from the same initial conditions as members 001 through 005,  
304 respectively, with an addition of a small temperature perturbation to the atmospheric initial condition to create  
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We carried out a 10-member ensemble of SAI simulations with CESM2(WACCM) designed to simulate a plausible implementation scenario of SCI using SAI for evaluation of potential climate intervention risks and impacts. These simulations are the first of a planned set of different SCI implementation scenarios; we denote the entire planned set of simulations as “Assessing Responses and Impacts of Solar climate intervention on the Earth system,” or “ARISE,” with simulations of SAI denoted “ARISE-SAI”. The first ARISE-SAI simulations, presented here, utilize a moderate emission scenario, SSP2-4.5 (O’Neill et al., 2016), and begin intervention in 2035 by applying SAI to cool the Earth (... [1]

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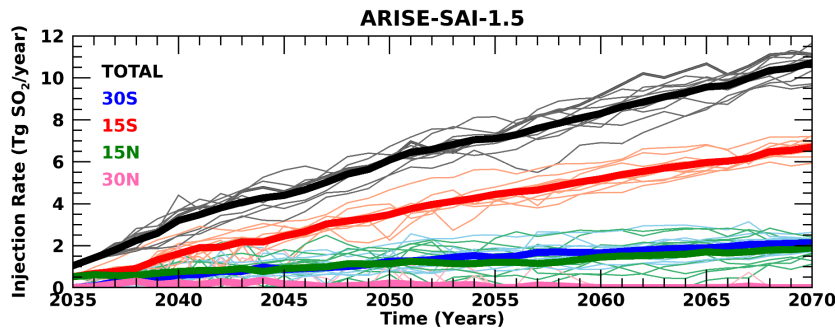
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**Figure 1:** SO<sub>2</sub> injection rate as a function of time in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations at 30°S (blue), 15°S (red), 15°N (green), 30°N (pink), and total (black). Thin lighter colored lines represent individual ensemble members, whereas thick lines show the 10-member ensemble mean.

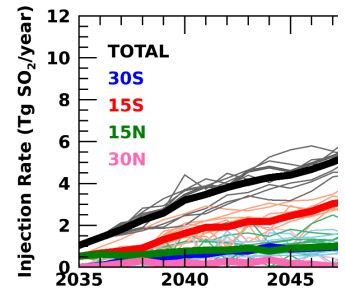
The amount of SO<sub>2</sub> injection in the ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations chosen by the controller algorithm is shown in Figure 1. The majority of SO<sub>2</sub> is injected at 15°S, with an approximate linear increase from 0.5 Tg SO<sub>2</sub> per year in 2035 to 6 Tg SO<sub>2</sub> per year in 2069. SO<sub>2</sub> injections at 30°S and 15°N are about 1/2 of that injected at 15°S. Throughout all the ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations, the amount of SO<sub>2</sub> injection at 30°N is very small, less than 0.5 Tg SO<sub>2</sub> per year, diminishing to nearly zero by the end of the simulations. The distribution of SO<sub>2</sub> across the four injection latitudes in ARISE-SAI-1.5 is very different from that in GLENS (Tilmes et al., 2018) despite having the same goals for the controller. In GLENS, the majority of SO<sub>2</sub> was injected at 30°S and 30°N, with a significant amount at 15°N, and almost none at 15°S; that is, GLENS required more injection in the Northern Hemisphere than the Southern in order to maintain the interhemispheric temperature gradient T1, whereas ARISE-SAI-1.5 requires more injection in the Southern Hemisphere to maintain T1. GLENS also required more SO<sub>2</sub> injection at 30°N/30°S to maintain T2 than is required in ARISE-SAI-1.5. It is unclear at this time how much of this difference is a result of the different model version and how much is a result of changes in the forcing between RCP8.5 and SSP2-4.5.

#### 4. Initial Results

One of the intents of ARISE-SAI simulations is to provide the broader community a data set for examining various impacts of SCI on the multiple components of the Earth system. Below we present basic diagnostics that verify that the SO<sub>2</sub> injections and controller are working as intended, and we describe how well the temperature targets are being met in CESM2(WACCM6). Detailed analysis of the simulations is left for future work.

##### 4.1 Stratospheric Aerosols

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All model output for the simulations is based on community input and provided in NetCDF format. All variables are in time-series format, with one variable per file. 3-dimensional atmospheric output is on the original 70 model levels. Output consists of standard monthly mean CMIP6 output for the atmospheric, land, ocean, and sea-ice models. In addition, higher-frequency (daily averaged, 3-hourly averaged, 3-hourly instantaneous, and 1-hourly mean) output is available

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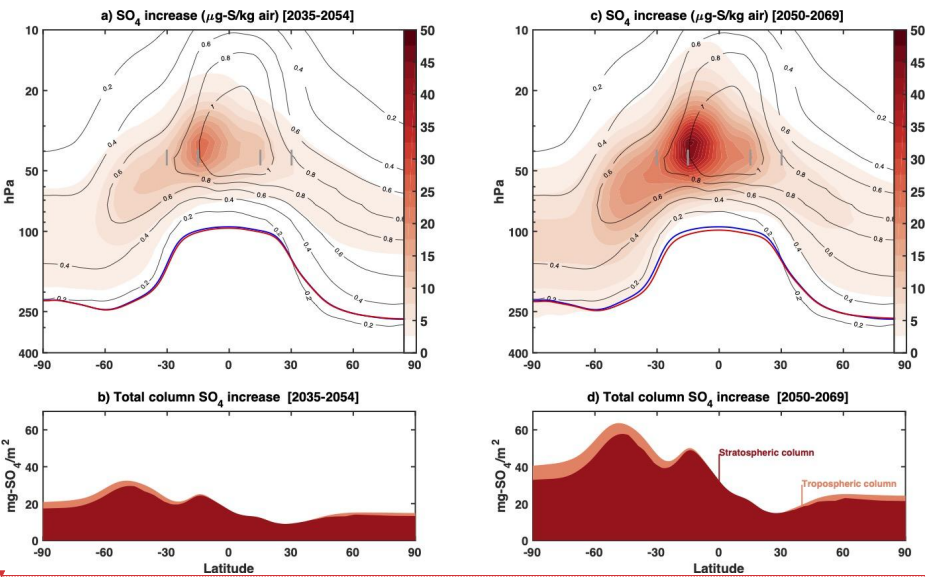
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Injection of sulfur dioxide into the stratosphere results in the formation of sulfate aerosols, which are transported by the stratospheric Brewer-Dobson circulation (Andrews et al., 1987; Tilmes et al., 2017). The dominance of SO<sub>2</sub> injections at 15°S in ARISE-SAI-1.5 results in a stratospheric sulfate (SO<sub>4</sub>) increase that primarily occurs in the southern hemisphere, with the majority of SO<sub>4</sub> concentrated near the primary injection location (Figure 2a, 2b). Averaged over the 2035 - 2054 period, there is a peak SO<sub>4</sub> increase of 25 mg-S/kg air (Fig 2a) relative to the 2020 - 2039 mean, and averaged over 2050 - 2069 an SO<sub>4</sub> increase of 48 mg-S/kg air is found near 15°S, 40 hPa (Fig 2b). The zonally averaged latitudinal distribution of the increase in the column of SO<sub>4</sub> is shown in Figures 2c, d; both figures show the strong hemispheric asymmetry, and also a double peak at around 15°S and one near 50°S. The peak near 15°S is due to the predominant location of the injection, and matches the peak in concentration, the latter is due to the largest vertical stratospheric layer over which SO<sub>4</sub> is spread out (between 10 and 22 km) compared to the layer in the tropical stratosphere (between 18 and 26 km). Integrated over 20-year periods of ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations, there is little difference in the latitudinal distribution of column SO<sub>4</sub> between the various ensemble members, but amplitude differences of up to 15% exist (not shown), reflecting variability in the amount of SO<sub>2</sub> injection at each location and small differences in the stratospheric circulation.



**Figure 2:** Zonal mean stratospheric SO<sub>4</sub> concentration increase (in μg-S/kg of air) in (a) 2035-2054 and (c) 2050-2069 relative to the 2020 - 2039 mean. Black contour lines show the background concentration in 2020-2039. Blue line shows the annual mean tropopause height in the control period; the red line shows the annual mean tropopause

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height in the ARISE simulation in 2035-2054 and 2050-2069, respectively. Gray shadings indicate the grid-boxes where SO<sub>2</sub> is injected. Zonal mean total increase in the column burden of sulfate (in mg-SO<sub>4</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>) for (b) 2035 - 2054 and (d) 2050 - 2069. The contribution to the column increase is shown in dark red, for the fraction located in the stratosphere, and in orange for the fraction located in the troposphere.

4.2 Meeting temperature targets

Global mean surface temperature, the inter-hemispheric temperature gradient, and equator-to-pole temperature gradients for the SSP2-4.5 and ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations are shown in Figure 3. There is a notable difference in behavior of T1 and T2 in the SSP2-4.5 simulations as compared to the RCP8.5 simulations with CESM1(WACCM) (not shown). In the CESM1(WACCM) simulations with RCP8.5, T1 and T2 were increasing steadily with time of simulation, reaching a change in T1 of nearly 0.45 K, and a T2 change of 0.3 K by 2070 relative to ~ 2020 - 2039 mean (Tilmes et al. 2018). In contrast, T1 and T2 in the SSP2-4.5 simulation are increasing much more slowly, less than 0.05 K for T1 and less than 0.1 K for T2 between the reference period (2020-2039) and 2070. The more moderate (SSP2-4.5) emission scenario used in the CESM2(WACCM6) control simulations partially explains the slower increase of T1 and T2 with time, however not all. Simulations with CESM2(WACCM6) and SSP5-8.5 scenarios also show a much slower increase of T1 and T2 as compared to CESM1(WACCM) with RCP8.5. Differing modeling physics, in particular cloud feedbacks, between CESM1 and CESM2 are key differences that could lead to the differences in projected spatial patterns of surface warming between the two model configurations, as well as changes in the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation as discussed in Tilmes et al. (2020). Additional simulations with CESM2 and RCP emissions have been performed to understand the relative role of differences in forcing and differences in model physics on projected spatial patterns of global mean temperature and other variables between CESM1 and CESM2. A detailed discussion of the reasons behind the model dependence in injection strategy in GLENS, CESM1(WACCM) and ARISE-SAI-1.5, CESM2(WACCM6) simulations can be found in Fasullo and Richter (2022). They show that the main contributors to the differences are: rapid adjustment of clouds and rainfall to elevated levels of carbon dioxide, dynamical responses in the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC) and differences in future climate forcing scenarios.

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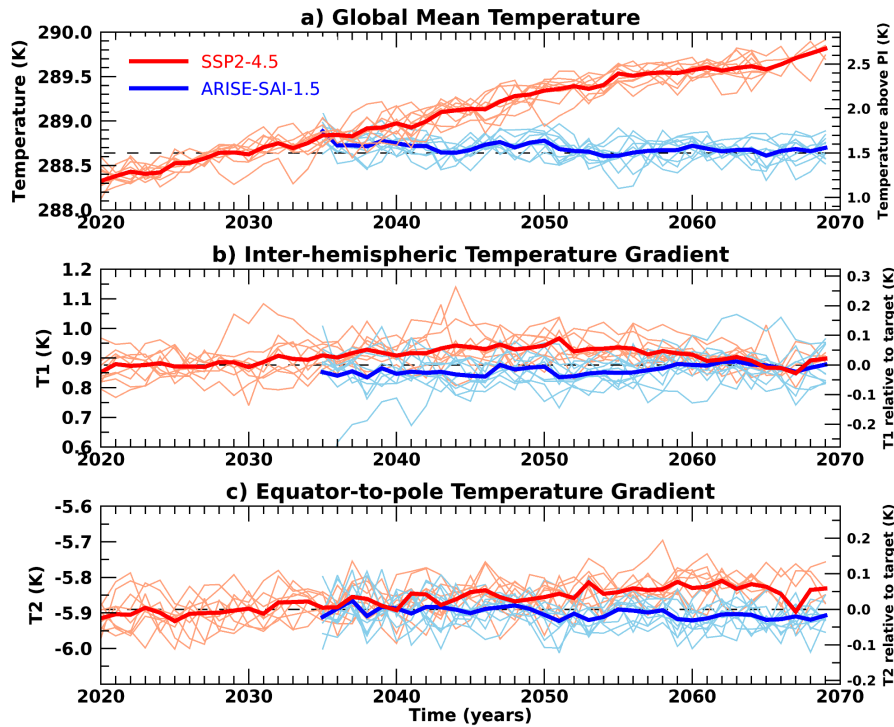
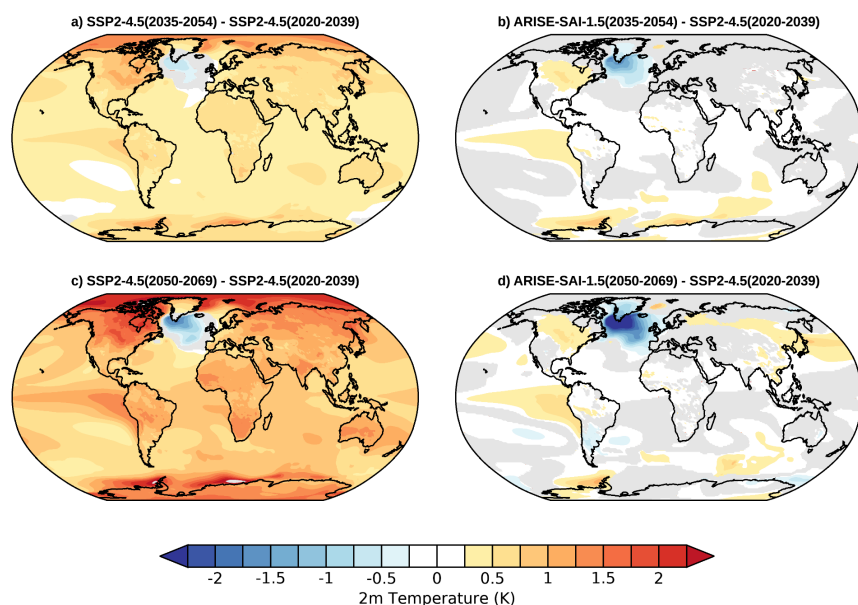


Figure 3: Global mean a) surface temperature, b) inter-hemispheric temperature gradient, T1, and c) equator-to-pole temperature gradient, T2, for SSP2-4.5 (red) and ARISE-SAI-1.5 (blue) simulations. Thin lines represent individual ensemble members, whereas the thick lines show the ensemble mean.

The differences between the projected surface temperature patterns in CESM2 as compared to CESM1 have implications for climate intervention. Since the changes in T1 and T2 targets differ between the CESM1(WACCM) and CESM2(WACCM6) future simulations, the controller selects different SO<sub>2</sub> injection locations to best counteract these changes. Injections needed to offset increasing T1 and T2 in CESM1(WACCM) required primarily injections at 30°S and 30°N, whereas a small change in T1 and T2 relative to the 2020 - 2039 period in CESM2(WACCM6), SSP2-4.5 requires injections primarily at 30°S. The SO<sub>2</sub> injections applied in ARISE-SAI-1.5 do a very good job at keeping the global mean temperature, T1 and T2 at the target levels. This is demonstrated by the blue lines in Figure 2. There is a fair amount of variability among the individual ensemble members (thin light blue lines) in their ability to meet the global mean, T1 and T2 targets, however the ensemble mean (thick blue line) shows very good agreement between these variables and their target values.

### 4.3 Surface temperature and precipitation

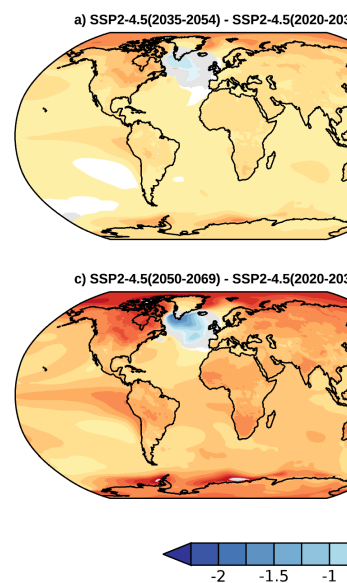


**Figure 4:** Ensemble and annual mean surface (2m) temperature differences between a) SSP2-4.5 (2035-2054) and SSP2-4.5 (2020-2039), b) ARISE-SAI-1.5 (2035-2054) and SSP2-4.5 (2020-2039), c) SSP2-4.5 (2050-2069) and SSP2-4.5 (2020-2039), and d) ARISE-SAI-1.5 (2050-2069) and SSP2-4.5 (2020-2039). Gray shading indicates regions where the differences are not statistically significant at the 95% level using a two-sided Student's t test.

Figure 4 shows the ensemble and annual mean surface temperature changes for two time periods, 2035 - 2054 and 2050 - 2069, during the SSP2-4.5 and ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations relative to the 2020 - 2039 period. Fig 4 a, c show the steady increase in surface temperature with time over the majority of the globe, with the largest warming occurring in the Northern Hemisphere high latitudes. The North Atlantic is the only region of the globe that is cooling in the 21st century. This “warming hole” in the North Atlantic is a feature of several of the recent generation Earth system models and is attributed to the AMOC (Drijfhout et al. 2012, Chemke et al. 2020, Keil et al. 2020). Specifically, in a warming climate with a reduction in the deep water formation, the AMOC weakens. This results in less heat transport into the Northern North Atlantic, producing cooler temperatures that oppose the anticipated effects of global warming. Figures 4b and 4d demonstrate the success of the SAI strategy in keeping the global temperatures near the 2020 - 2039 average, or at ~ 1.5 K above pre-industrial values. In ARISE-SAI-1.5, near surface annual mean temperature throughout the entire simulation is within 0.5 K of that goal over the majority of the globe. The largest exception to

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that is the North Atlantic warming hole, where surface temperatures remain cooler relative to the northern North Atlantic than in the present day; while AMOC strength is partially recovered under SAI relative to SSP2-4.5, it is not fully restored back to present-day conditions. In addition, in the ensemble mean, ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations show residual warming over North America, as well as over Eastern South Pacific Ocean (off the coast of South America), and in parts of Antarctica as compared to the 2020 - 2039 period. Residual changes relative to the target period from the application of SAI are expected, as SAI can not perfectly reverse the effects of increasing greenhouse gases. The precipitation changes in SSP2-4.5 and ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations for the same time periods examined for surface temperature changes are shown in Figures 5 and 6. Consistent with prior similar studies, SSP2-4.5 simulations show primarily an increase of precipitation in a warming climate, with the largest increases along the Equatorial Pacific Ocean, and a strong drying region northward of that (Figs 5, 6a,c). In ARISE-SAI-1.5, consistent with previous studies (Kravitz et al., 2017; Lee et al. 2020), restoring global mean temperature is associated with an overall decrease in annual mean precipitation (Fig 5), however regionally both increases and decreases occur. In ARISE-SAI-1.5, the increased precipitation across the Equatorial Pacific seen in SSP2-4.5 decreases in magnitude, but is still a persistent feature. ARISE-SAI-1.5 also shows drying north and south of that region as well as intensified drying over Northern South America, South Africa, Indian Ocean south of the Equator and northernmost Australia. The Indian Ocean north of the Equator and India are projected to be wetter in ARISE-SAI-1.5 as compared to the 2020 - 2039 period of SSP2-4.5.

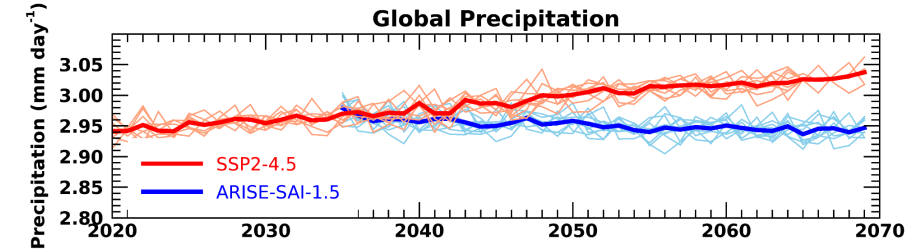


Figure 5: Same as Figure 3a but for precipitation.

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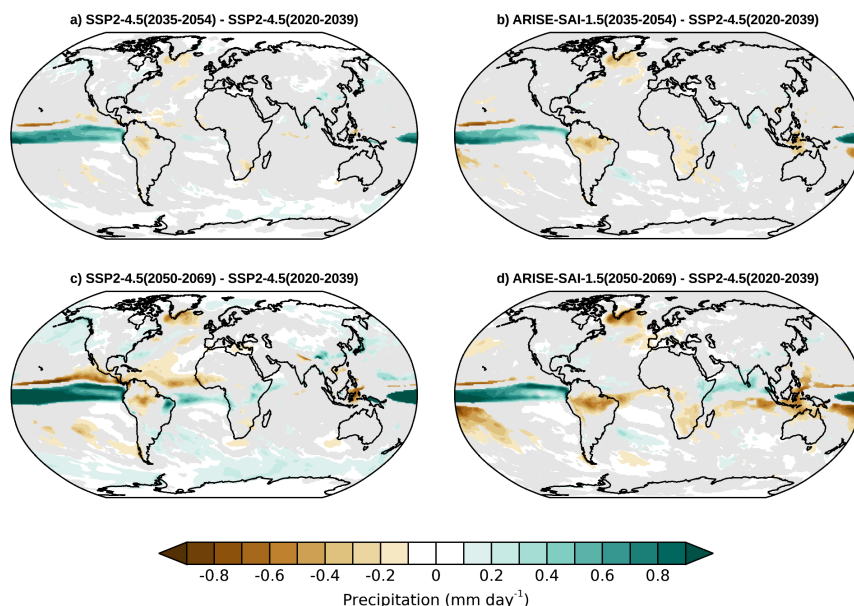


Figure 6: Same as Figure 4 but for annual mean precipitation.

## Conclusions

We have described here a detailed new modeling protocol and the first set of simulations of Assessing Responses and Impacts of Solar climate intervention on the Earth system with Stratospheric Aerosol Injection (ARISE-SAI), for studies of impacts of climate intervention using stratospheric aerosols. We have carried out the ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations utilizing CESM2(WACCM6) and provided extensive output for community analysis. The protocol for simulations described here can be easily implemented in other Earth system models with similar capabilities; furthermore, the protocol can easily be adapted to explore different climate intervention scenarios considering other climate targets, such as different global mean cooling targets, and in the future extended to other types of climate intervention, such as marine cloud brightening. The SAI injection strategy defined by the protocol builds on the approach used in GLENS that was carried out with CESM1(WACCM), but uses a more moderate background emissions scenario, a start date of 2035 rather than 2020, and a target temperature of 1.5°C over pre-industrial following the AR6 definition; the set of simulations presented here also uses a newer version of CESM, which is the same as used for CMIP6 (Gettelman et al., 2019). In these new simulations, the SO<sub>2</sub> injections required to keep the global mean temperature, interhemispheric temperature gradient, and pole-to-pole temperature gradient at the target level in ARISE-SAI-1.5 are needed primarily at 15°S, in contrast to GLENS which utilized SO<sub>2</sub> injections primarily

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641 at 30°N and 30°S. The reasons for these differences are currently being investigated in detail, and it highlights the  
642 need to reproduce such experiments with other climate models to understand their sources. Surface climate in ARISE-  
643 SAI-1.5 is very similar to that during the reference period (2020 - 2039), however residual changes still remain, in  
644 particular in the North Atlantic, where surface temperature is cooler than in the reference period. The robustness of  
645 these projected regional residuals in other climate models, or under different climate targets, would also be of extreme  
646 interest. Consistent with prior studies, global mean precipitation in ARISE-SAI-1.5 is smaller than during the reference  
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649 The output for the ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations is extensive and includes variables from multiple Earth system  
650 components enabling the community analysis of changes in many variables that are crucial to making decisions about  
651 the implementation of SCI including weather and climate extremes, crops, ozone changes, etc. To enable broad access  
652 to the data, output from the ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations is available on the Amazon Web Services Open Data portal.

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Appendix A

<u>Variable Name</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>AEROD_v</u>	<u>Total Aerosol Optical Depth in visible band</u>
<u>AODVIS</u>	<u>Aerosol optical depth 550 nm, day only</u>
<u>BURDENSO4dn</u>	<u>Sulfate aerosol burden, day night</u>
<u>CLDHGH</u>	<u>Vertically-integrated high cloud</u>
<u>CLDLOW</u>	<u>Vertically-integrated low cloud</u>
<u>CLDMED</u>	<u>Vertically-integrated mid-level cloud</u>
<u>CLDTOT</u>	<u>Vertically-integrated total cloud</u>
<u>CLOUD</u>	<u>Cloud fraction</u>
<u>dgnumwet1</u>	<u>Aerosol mode (accumulation) wet diameter</u>
<u>dgnumwet2</u>	<u>Aerosol mode (Aitken) wet diameter</u>
<u>dgnumwet3</u>	<u>Aerosol mode (coarse) wet diameter</u>
<u>DTCOND</u>	<u>T tendency - moist processes</u>
<u>FLDS</u>	<u>Downwelling longwave flux at surface</u>
<u>FLDSC</u>	<u>Clearsky Downwelling longwave flux at surface</u>
<u>FLNR</u>	<u>Net longwave flux at tropopause</u>

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<a href="#">FLUT</a>	<a href="#">Upwelling longwave flux at top of model</a>
<a href="#">FLUTC</a>	<a href="#">Clearsky upwelling longwave flux at top of model</a>
<a href="#">FSDS</a>	<a href="#">Downwelling solar flux at surface</a>
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<a href="#">num_a3</a>	<a href="#">Aerosol mode (coarse) number concentration</a>
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<u>PRECC</u>	<u>Convective precipitation rate</u>
<u>PRECT</u>	<u>Total (convective and large-scale) precipitation rate</u>
<u>PRECTMX</u>	<u>Maximum (convective and large-scale) precipitation rate</u>
<u>PS</u>	<u>Surface pressure</u>
<u>PSL</u>	<u>Sea level pressure</u>
<u>Q</u>	<u>Specific humidity</u>
<u>QRL</u>	<u>Longwave heating rate</u>
<u>QRL_TOT</u>	<u>Merged LW heating: QRL+QRLNLTE</u>
<u>QRS</u>	<u>Solar heating rate</u>
<u>QRS_TOT</u>	<u>Merged SW heating:</u>
<u>QSNOW</u>	<u>Diagnostic grid-mean snow mixing ratio</u>
<u>RELHUM</u>	<u>Relative humidity</u>
<u>REFF_AERO</u>	<u>Aerosol effective radius</u>
<u>RHREFHT</u>	<u>Reference height relative humidity</u>
<u>SO2</u>	<u>Sulfur dioxide concentration</u>
<u>so4_a1</u>	<u>so4_a1 (accumulation) concentration</u>
<u>so4_a2</u>	<u>so4_a2 (Aitken) concentration</u>
<u>so4_a3</u>	<u>so4_a3 (coarse) concentration</u>
<u>SST</u>	<u>sea surface temperature</u>
<u>SWCF</u>	<u>Shortwave cloud forcing</u>
<u>T</u>	<u>Temperature</u>
<u>TREFHT</u>	<u>Reference height temperature</u>
<u>TREFHTMN**</u>	<u>Minimum reference height temperature</u>
<u>TREFHTMX**</u>	<u>Maximum reference height temperature</u>
<u>TS</u>	<u>Surface temperature (radiative)</u>
<u>TROP_P</u>	<u>Tropopause Pressure</u>
<u>TROP_T</u>	<u>Tropopause Temperature</u>
<u>TSMN</u>	<u>Minimum surface temperature</u>

<u>TSMX</u>	<u>Minimum surface temperature</u>
<u>U</u>	<u>Zonal wind</u>
<u>U10</u>	<u>10m wind speed</u>
<u>V</u>	<u>Meridional wind</u>
<u>Z3</u>	<u>Geopotential Height (above sea level)</u>
<u>Z500</u>	<u>Geopotential height at 500 hPa pressure surface</u>

**Table A1:** Minimum recommended monthly mean output for ARISE-SAI simulations and corresponding reference simulations.

Variable Name	Description
ACTNL	Average Cloud Top droplet number
ACTREL	Average Cloud Top droplet effective radius
bc_a4_SRF*	Black carbon in additional mode in bottom layer
BURDENBCdn	Black carbon aerosol burden, day night
BURDENDUSTdn	Dust aerosol burden, day night
BURDENPOMdn	Particulate organic matter aerosol burden, day night
BURDENSEASALTdn	Seasalt aerosol burden, day night
BURDENSO4dn	Sulfate aerosol burden, day night
BURDENSOAdn	SOA aerosol burden, day night
BUTGWSPEC	Zonal wind tendency from convective gravity waves
CDNUMC	Vertically-integrated droplet concentration
CLDICE	Grid box averaged cloud ice amount
CLDLIQ	Grid box averaged cloud liquid amount
CLDTOT	Vertically-integrated total cloud
CLOUD	Cloud fraction
CMFMC	Moist convection (deep+shallow) mass flux
CMFMCDZM	Convection mass flux from ZM deep
dst_a1*	Dust concentration in accumulation mode

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dst_a2*	Dust concentration in Aitken mode
dst_a3*	Dust concentration in coarse mode
dst_a2_SRF*	Aitken mode dust in bottom layer
FCTL	Fractional occurrence of cloud top liquid
FLDS	Downwelling longwave flux at surface
FLDSC	Clearsky Downwelling longwave flux at surface
FLNR	Net longwave flux at tropopause
FLNS	Net longwave flux at surface
FLNSC	Clearsky net longwave flux at surface
FLNT	Net longwave flux at top of model
FLNTC	Clearsky net longwave flux at top of model
FLUT	Upwelling longwave flux at top of model
FLUTC	Clearsky upwelling longwave flux at top of model
FSDS	Downwelling solar flux at surface
FSDSC	Clearsky downwelling solar flux at surface
FSNR	Net solar flux at tropopause
FSNS	Net solar flux at surface
FSNSC	Clearsky net solar flux at surface
FSNTOA	Net solar flux at top of atmosphere
FSNTOAC	Clearsky net solar flux at top of atmosphere
LHFLX	Surface latent heat flux
MASS	mass of grid box
O3	Ozone
MSKtem	Transformed Eulerian Mean diagnostics mask
OMEGA	Vertical velocity (pressure)
OMEGA500	Vertical velocity at 500 hPa
PBLH	Planetary boundary layer height
PDELDRY	Dry pressure difference between levels

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PHIS	Surface geopotential
PM25_SRF	PM2.5 in the bottom layer
pom_a4_SRF*	Particulate organic matter in additional mode in bottom layer
PRECC	Convective precipitation rate
<b>PRECT</b>	Total (convective and large-scale) precipitation rate
PRECTMX	Maximum (convective and large-scale) precipitation rate
PS	Surface pressure
PSL	Sea level pressure
Q	Specific humidity
QREFHT	Reference height humidity
QSNOW	Diagnostic grid-mean snow mixing ratio
RELHUM	Relative humidity
<b>RHREFHT</b>	Reference height relative humidity
SFso4_a1*	surface flux of SO <sub>4</sub> in accumulation mode
SFso4_a2*	surface flux of SO <sub>4</sub> in Aitken mode
SFbc_a4*	Surface flux of black carbon in additional mode
SFpom_a4*	Particulate organic matter in additional mode
SFdst_a1*	Surface flux of dust in accumulation mode
SFdst_a2*	Surface flux of dust in Aitken mode
SFdst_a3*	Surface flux of dust in coarse mode
SHFLX	Surface sensible heat flux
SO2	Sulfur dioxide concentration
SOLIN	Solar insolation
SOLLD	Solar downward near infrared diffuse to surface
SOLSD	Solar downward visible diffuse to surface
T	Temperature
T500, T700, T850	Temperature at 500, 700 and 850 hPa respectively
TAUBLJX	Zonal integrated drag from Beljaars SGO

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TAUBLJY	Meridional integrated drag from Beljaars SGO
TAUGWX	Zonal gravity wave surface stress
TAUGWY	Meridional gravity wave surface stress
TAUX	Zonal surface stress
TAUY	Meridional surface stress
TGCLDIWP	Total grid-box cloud ice water path
THzm	Zonal-Mean potential temperature defined on ilevels
TGCLDLWP	Total grid-box cloud liquid water path
TMQ	Total (vertically integrated) precipitable water
TREFHT	Reference height temperature
<b>TREFHTMN**</b>	Minimum reference height temperature
<b>TREFHTMX**</b>	Maximum reference height temperature
TS	Surface temperature (radiative)
TSMN	Minimum surface temperature
TSMX	Minimum surface temperature
U	Zonal wind
U10	10m wind speed
UTGWORO	U tendency - orographic gravity wave drag
UTGWSPEC	U tendency - non-orographic gravity wave drag
UVzm	Meridional flux of zonal momentum: 3D zonal mean
UWzm	Vertical flux of zonal momentum: 3D zonal mean
Uzm	Zonal mean zonal wind defined on ilevels
V	Meridional wind
VTHzm	Meridional Heat Flux: 3D zonal mean
Vzm	Zonal mean meridional wind defined on ilevels
Wzm	Zonal mean vertical wind defined on ilevels
Z3	Geopotential Height (above sea level)
Z500	Geopotential height at 500 hPa pressure surface

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IVT	Integrated water vapor transport
PS	Surface Pressure
Q*	Specific humidity
T*	Temperature
TS	Surface temperature (radiative)
PSL	Sea level pressure
RELHUM*	Relative humidity
TMQ	Total (vertically integrated) precipitable water
U*	Zonal wind
U10	10m wind speed
uIVT	Zonal water vapor transport
vIVT	Meridional water vapor transport
V*	Meridional wind
Z3*	Geopotential Height

**Table A4:** 3-hourly instantaneous output from the atmospheric model in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations and additional five SSP2-4.5 CESM2(WACCM6) simulations. For the variables marked with a “\*”, only the bottom-most 22 levels were retained, hence levels for those variables range from 1000 to 103 hPa. None of the above output is contained in the first five ensemble members of CESM2(WACCM6) SSP2-4.5 simulations.

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Name of Variable	Variable Description
NO2_SRF	NO2 in bottom layer
O3_SRF	O3 in bottom layer
PM25_SRF	PM2.5 at the surface
PRECC	Convective precipitation rate
PRECT	Total (convective and large-scale) precipitation rate
TS	Surface temperature (radiative)

**Table A5:** 1-hourly instantaneous output from the atmospheric model in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations and additional five SSP2-4.5 CESM2(WACCM6) simulations. None of the above output is contained in the first five ensemble members of CESM2(WACCM6) SSP2-4.5 simulations.

Variable Name	Description
AR	Autotrophic respiration
COL_FIRE_CLOSS	Total column-level fire C loss
CPHASE	Crop phenology phase
DSTDEP	Total dust deposition
DSTFLXT	Total surface dust emission
DWT_CONV_CFLUX_PATCH	Patch-level conversion C flux
DWT_SLASH_CFLUX	Slash C flux to litter and CWD due to land use
DWT_WOOD_PROD_UCTC_GAIN_PATCH	Patch-level landcover change-driven addition to wood product pools
EFLX_LH_TOT	Total latent heat flux
FGR	Heat flux into soil/snow including snow melt and lake / snow light transmission
FIRA	Net infrared (longwave) radiation
FIRE	Emitted infrared (longwave) radiation
FROOTC	Fine root carbon

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FSH	Sensible heat not including correction for land use change and rain/snow conversion
FSR	Reflected solar radiation
GDDHARV	Growing degree days needed to harvest
GDDPLANT	Accumulated growing degree days past planting date for crop
GPP	Gross primary production
GRAINC_TO_FOOD	Grain carbon to food
H2OSNO	Snow depth (liquid water)
HR	Total heterotrophic respiration
HTOP	Canopy top
NPP	Net primary production
Q2M	2m specific humidity
QDRAI	Sub-surface drainage
QDRAI_XS	Saturation excess drainage
QIRRIG	Water added through irrigation
QOVER	Surface runoff
QRUNOFF	Total liquid runoff
QSNOMELT	Snow melt rate
QSOIL	Ground evaporation
QTOPSOIL	Water input to surface
QVEGE	Canopy evaporation
QVEGT	Canopy transpiration
RH2M	2m relative humidity
SLASH_HARVESTC	Slash harvest carbon
SNOWDP	Gridcell mean snow height
SOILWATER_10CM	Soil liquid water + ice in top 10cm of soil
TG	Ground temperature
TLAI	Total projected leaf area index
TOTSOILLICE	Vertically summed soil ice

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TOTSOILLIQ	Vertically summed soil liquid water
TREFMNAV	Daily minimum of average 2-m temperature
TREFMXAV	Daily maximum of average 2-m temperature
TSA	2m air temperature
TSKIN	Skin temperature
TSOI_10CM	Soil temperature in top 10cm of soil
TV	Vegetation temperature
TWS	Total water storage
U10	10-m wind
U10_DUST	10-m wind for dust model
URBAN_HEAT	Urban heating flux
WASTEHEAT	Sensible heat flux from heating/cooling sources of urban waste heat
WOOD_HARVESTC	Wood harvest carbon

**Table A6:** Available daily averaged output from the land model at landunit-level in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations and additional five SSP2-4.5 CESM2(WACCM6) simulations. None of the above output is contained in the first five ensemble members of CESM2(WACCM6) SSP2-4.5 simulations.

CPHASE	Crop phenology phase
CROPPROD1C	1-yr grain product carbon
CWDC_vr	Coarse woody debris carbon, vertically resolved)
CWDN_vr	Coarse woody debris nitrogen (vertically resolved)
EFLX_LH_TOT	Total latent heat flux
FGR	Heat flux into soil/snow including snow melt and lake / snow light transmission
FPSN	Photosynthesis
FROOTC	Fine root carbon
FSH	Sensible heat not including correction for land use change and rain/snow conversion
FSNO_ICE	Fraction of ground covered by snow

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GDDHARV	Growing degree days needed to harvest
GDDPLANT	Accumulated growing degree days past planting date for crop
GPP	Gross primary production
GRAINC	Grain carbon
H2OSOI	Volumetric soil water
HTOP	Canopy top
LEAFC	Leaf carbon
LEAFN	Leaf Nitrogen
LITR1C_vr, LITR2C_vr, LITR3C_vr	Amount of carbon in litter in different decomposition pools, vertically resolved
LITR1N_vr, LITR2N_vr, LITR3N_vr	Amount of nitrogen in litter in different decomposition pools, vertically resolved
LIVESTEMC	Live stem carbon
PCT_CFT	% of each crop on the crop landunit
PCT_GLC_MEC	% of each GLC elevation class on the glc_mec landunit
PCT_LANDUNIT	% of each landunit on grid cell
PCT_NAT_PFT	% of each PFT on the natural vegetation (i.e., soil) landunit
QICE_FORC	Surface mass balance of glaciated grid cells forcing sent to the glacier model
QIRRIG	Water added through irrigation
RAIN	Atmospheric rain, after rain/snow repartitioning based on temperature
Rnet	Net radiation
SMINN	Soil mineral N
SMP	Soil matric potential
SOILC_vr	SOIL C (vertically resolved)
SOILN_vr	SOIL N (vertically resolved)
TLAI	Total projected leaf area index
TOPO_FORC	Topographic height sent to glacier model

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TOTLITC	Total litter carbon
TOTSOMC	Total soil organic matter carbon
TOTVEGC	Total vegetation carbon, excluding cpool
TOT_WOODPRODC	Total wood product carbon
TREFMNAV	Daily minimum of average 2-m temperature
TREFMXAV	Daily maximum of average 2-m temperature
TSA	2m air temperature
TSAI	Skin temperature
TSRF_FORC	Surface temperature sent to glacier model
TV	Vegetation temperature

**Table A7:** Available daily averaged output from the land model at gridcell-level in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations and additional five SSP2-4.5 CESM2(WACCM6) simulations. None of the above output is contained in the first five ensemble members of CESM2(WACCM6) SSP2-4.5 simulations.

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Name of Variable	Variable Description
EFLX_LH_TOT	Total latent heat flux
FSH	Sensible heat not including correction for land use change and rain/snow conversion
H2OSNO	Snow depth (liquid water)
H2OSOI	Volumetric soil water
QDRAI	Sub-surface drainage
QDRAI_XS	Saturation excess drainage
QOVER	Surface runoff
QRUNOFF	Total liquid runoff
QSNOMELT	Snow melt rate
QSOIL	Ground evaporation
QTOPSOIL	Water input to surface
QVEGE	Canopy evaporation
QVEGT	Canopy transpiration
SOILICE	Soil ice
SOILLIQ	Soil liquid water
SOILWATER_10CM	Soil liquid water and ice in top 10cm of soil
TOTSOILICE	Vertically summed soil ice
TOTSOILLIQ	Vertically summed soil liquid water
TWS	Total water storage

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715 **Table A8:** 6-hourly averaged output from the land model in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations and additional five SSP2-  
716 4.5 CESM2(WACCM6) simulations. None of the above output is contained in the first five ensemble members of  
717 CESM2(WACCM6) SSP2-4.5 simulations.

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Name of Variable	Variable Description
CaCO3_form_zint_2	Total CaCO3 formation vertical integral
diatChl_SURF	Diatom chlorophyll surface value
diatC_zint_100m	Diatom carbon 0-100m vertical integral
diazChl_SURF	Diazotroph chlorophyll surface value
diazC_zint_100m	Diazotroph carbon 0-100m vertical integral
DpCO2_2	Atmosphere-ocean difference in the partial pressure of CO2
ECOSYS_IFRAC_2	Ice fraction for ecosystem fluxes
ECOSYS_XKW_2	Gas transfer velocity computed based on wind speed squared for ecosys fluxes
FG_CO2_2	Dissolved inorganic carbon surface gas flux
photoC_diat_zint_2	Diatom carbon fixation vertical integral
photoC_diaz_zint_2	Diazotroph carbon fixation vertical integral
photoC_sp_zint_2	Diatom carbon fixation vertical integral
spCaCO3_zint_100m	Small Phyto CaCO3 0-100m vertical integral
spChl_SURF	Small phyto chlorophyll surface value
spC_zint_100m	Small phyto carbon 0-100m vertical integral
STF_O2_2	Dissolved oxygen surface flux
zooC_zint_100m	Zooplankton carbon 0-100m vertical integral
HMXL_DR_2	Mixed-Layer depth
SSS	Sea surface salinity
SST	Surface potential temperature
SST2	Surface potential temperature**2
XMXL_2	Diazotroph carbon fixation vertical integral

**Table A9:** Daily averaged output from the ocean model in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations and all SSP2-4.5 CESM2(WACCM6) simulations.

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aice_d	cce area (aggregate)
aicen_d	ice area, categories
apond_ai_d	melt pond fraction of grid cell
congel_d	congelation ice growth
daidtd_d	area tendency dynamics
daidtt_d	area tendency thermodynamics
dvidtd_d	volume tendency dynamics
dvidtt_d	volume tendency thermodynamics
frazil_d	frazil ice growth
fswabs_d	snow/ice/ocn absorbed solar flux
fswdn_d	down solar flux
fswthru_d	shortwave through the sea ice to ocean
hi_d	grid cell mean ice thickness
hs_d	grid cell mean snow thickness
ice_present_d	fraction of time-avg interval that ice is present
meltb_d	basal ice melt
meltl_d	lateral ice melt
melts_d	top snow melt
meltt_d	top ice melt
sisnthick_d	sea ice snow thickness
sispeed_d	ice speed
sitemptop_d	sea ice surface temperature
sithick_d	sea ice thickness
siu_d	ice x velocity component
siv_d	ice y velocity component
vicen_d	ice volume, categories
vsnon_d	snow depth on ice, categories

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Table A10: Daily averaged output from the sea-ice model in ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations and all SSP2-4.5 CESM2(WACCM6) simulations.

Code Availability

CESM2(WACCM6) is freely available from <https://www.cesm.ucar.edu/>. CESM tag cesm2.1.4-rc.08 was used to carry out the simulations. Python scripts to generate the case directories with appropriate model tags and output can be found at <https://zenodo.org/record/6474201>. The code for the SO<sub>2</sub> injections controller can be downloaded from <https://zenodo.org/record/6471092#.Y176rPPMKQc>.

#### Data Availability

All the data presented in this manuscript are available at <https://zenodo.org/record/6473954#.YmCAwy-B3qA> from the CESM2(WACCM6) SSP2-4.5 simulations and at <https://zenodo.org/record/6473775#.YmCAy-B3qA> from the ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations. Complete output from all 10 members of CESM2(WACCM6) SSP2-4.5 simulations and ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations is freely available the NCAR Climate Data Gateway at <https://doi.org/10.26024/0cs0-ev98> and <https://doi.org/10.5065/9kcn-9y79> respectively. The ARISE-SAI-1.5 and SSP-4.5 datasets are additionally available for free download through the Amazon/AWS Open Data program. These can be accessed at <https://registry.opendata.aws/ncar-cesm2-arise/>. We anticipate community analysis of various aspects of the Earth system of the ARISE-SAI-1.5 simulations. There is no obligation to inform the project authors about the analysis you are performing, but it would be helpful to reach out to DV in order to coordinate analysis and avoid duplicate efforts.

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