

1 **Supplementary material to**

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3 **Abrupt excursion in water vapor isotopic variability during cold fronts at**  
4 **the Pointe Benedicte observatory in Amsterdam Island**

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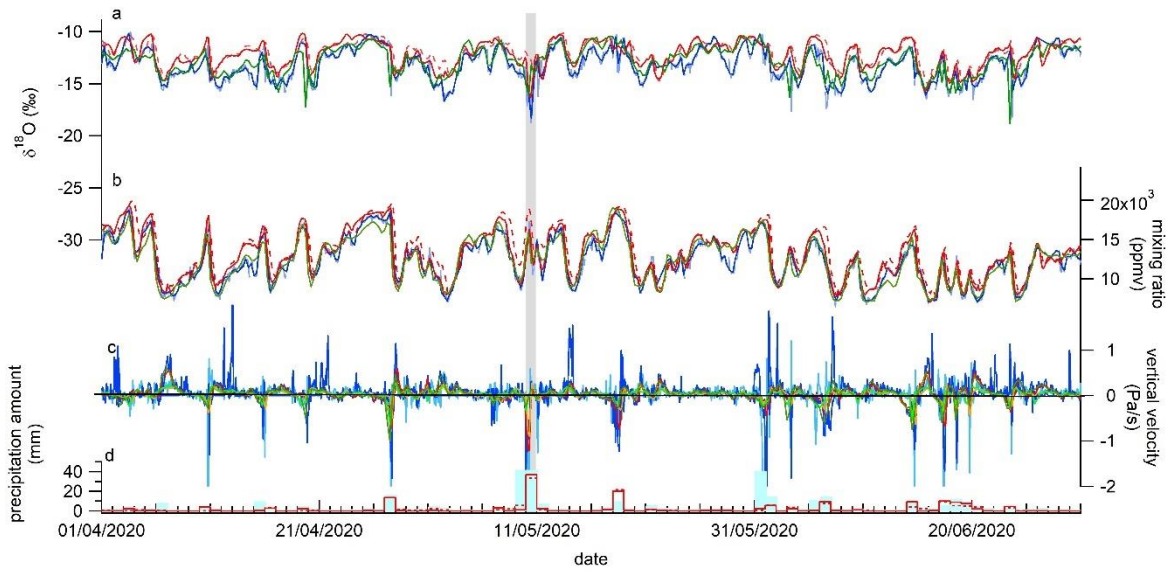
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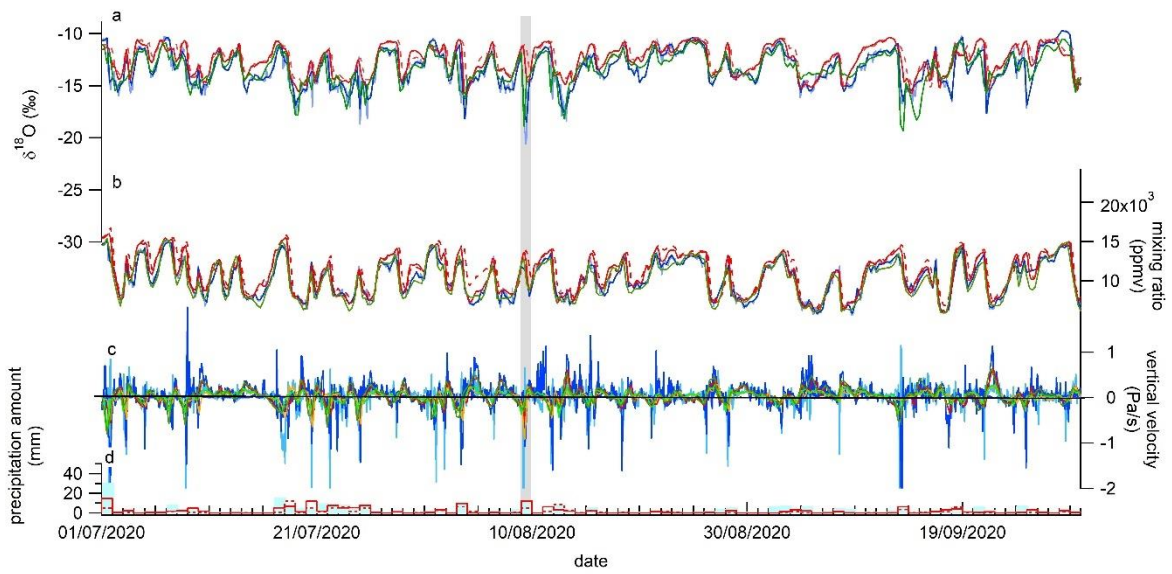
34 1. Data model comparison over the two-year series

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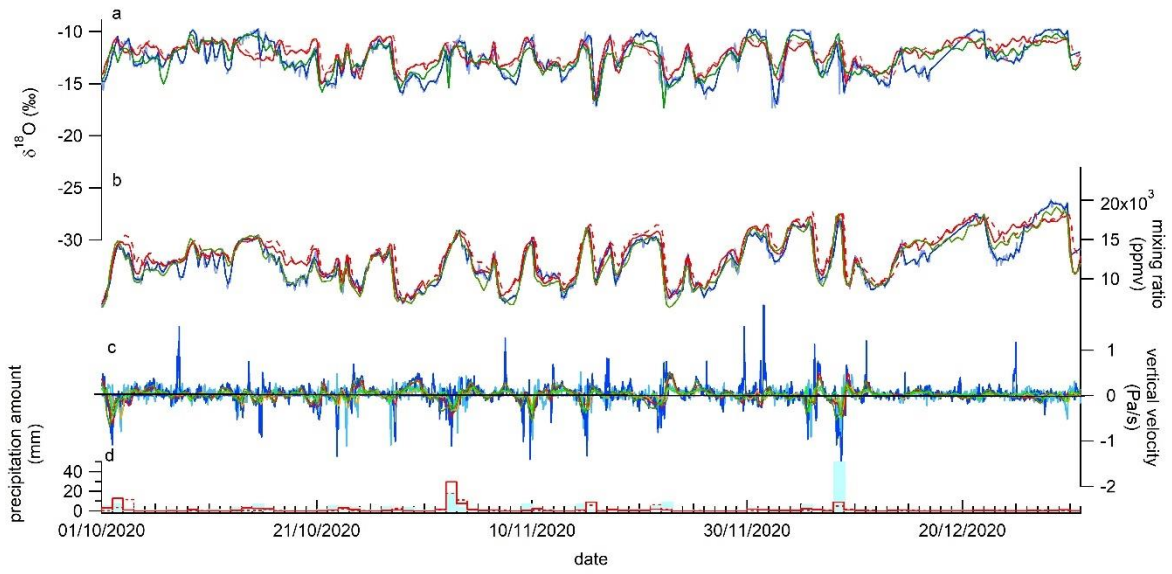
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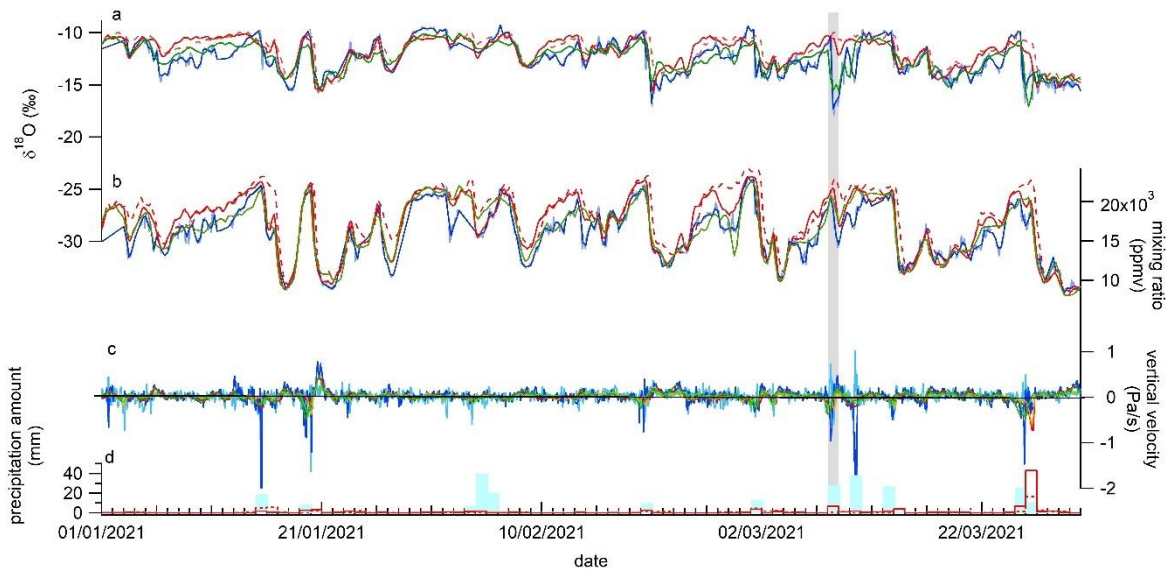
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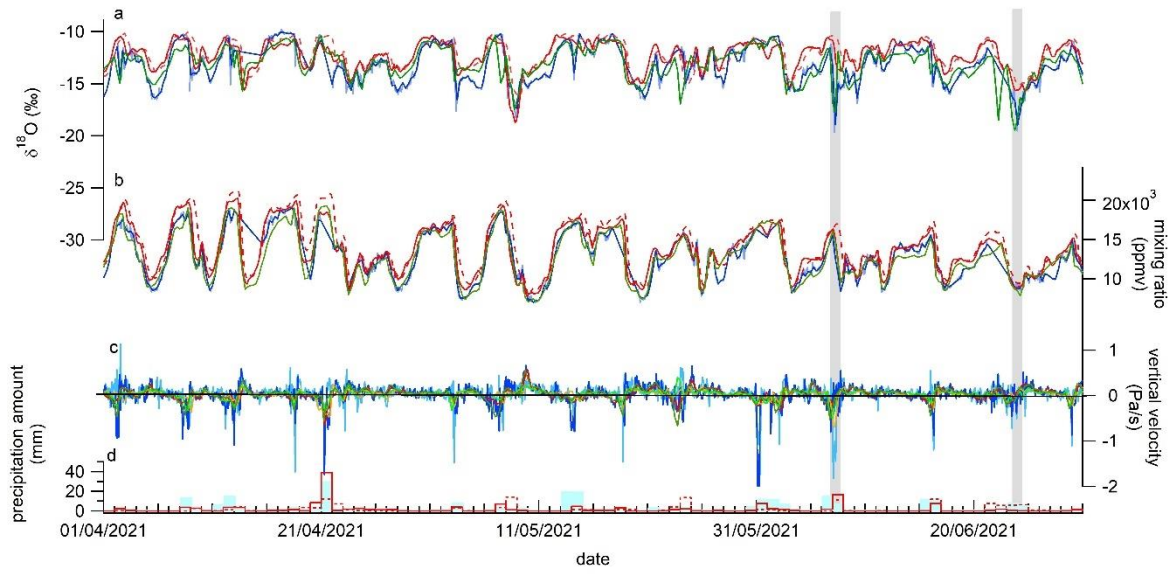
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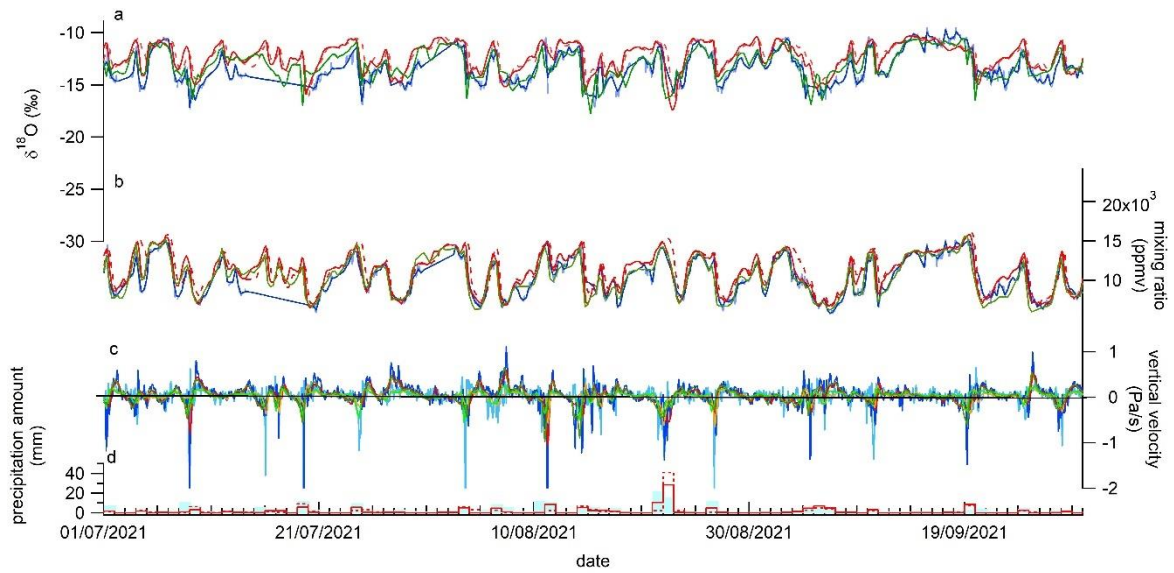
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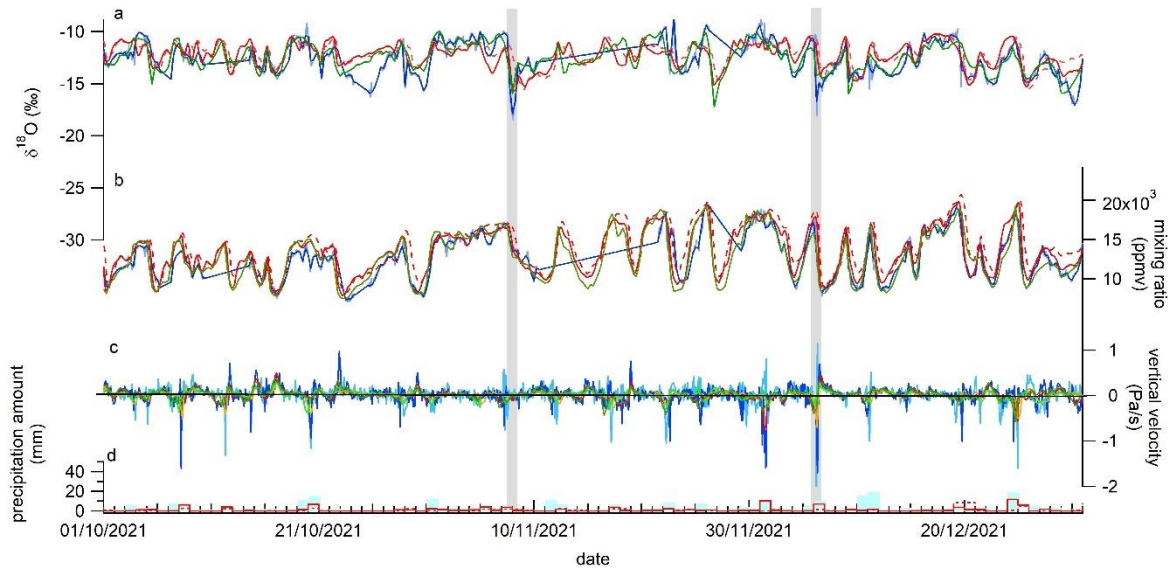
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69 **Figure S1:** Data model comparison (April 2020 – December 2021) : water vapor  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$  from our  
70 data set (light blue on hourly average, dark blue resampled at a 6-hour resolution), the  
71 ECHAM6-wiso model (green, surface level, 6h resolution) and the LMDZ-iso model (red,  
72 surface level, 3h resolution) at very low resolution (VLR, dashed line) and at low resolution  
73 (solid line) (a) ; mixing ratio from our data set (light blue on hourly average, dark blue  
74 resampled at a 6 hours resolution), the ECHAM6-wiso model (green, surface level, 6h  
75 resolution) and the LMDZ-iso model (red, surface level, 3h resolution, dashed line for VLR  
76 and solid line for LR) (b) ; vertical velocity from the ERA5 reanalyses (500 hPa, blue, 850 hPa,  
77 light blue), from the ECHAM6-wiso model (500 hPa, green, 850 hPa, light green), from the  
78 LMDZ-iso model at LR (500 hPa, red, 850 hPa, orange) (c) ; Precipitation amount from the  
79 meteorological record in light blue, from the ECHAM6-wiso model in green and from the  
80 LMDZ-iso model in red (dashed line VLR and solid line LR) (d). The grey rectangles highlight  
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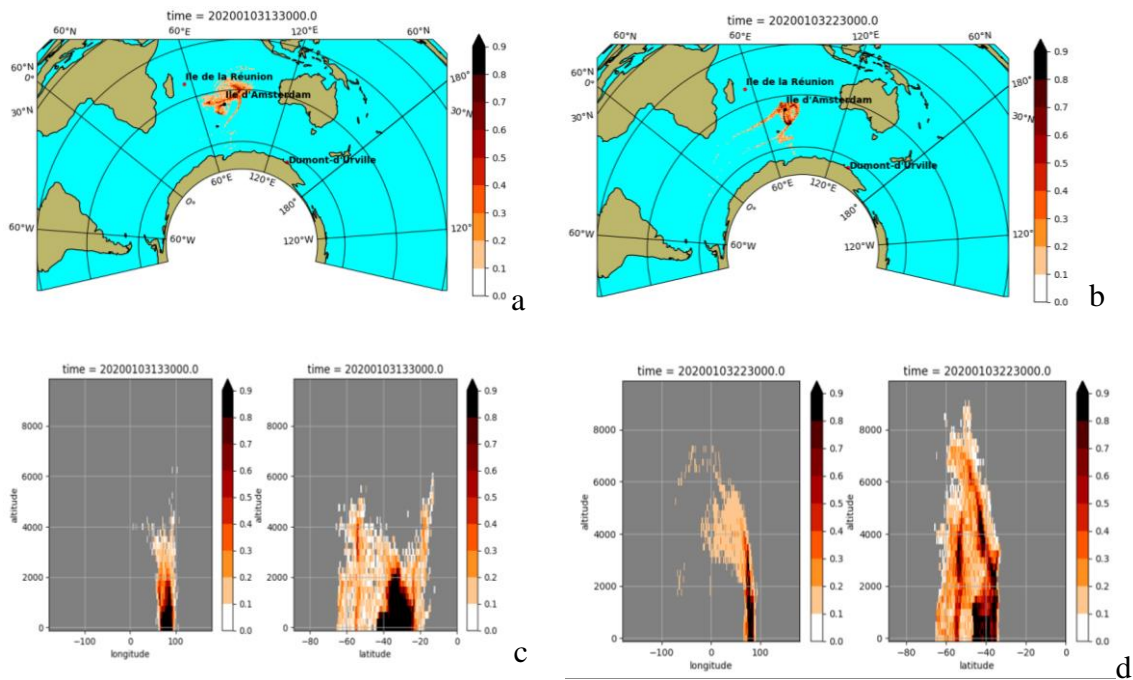
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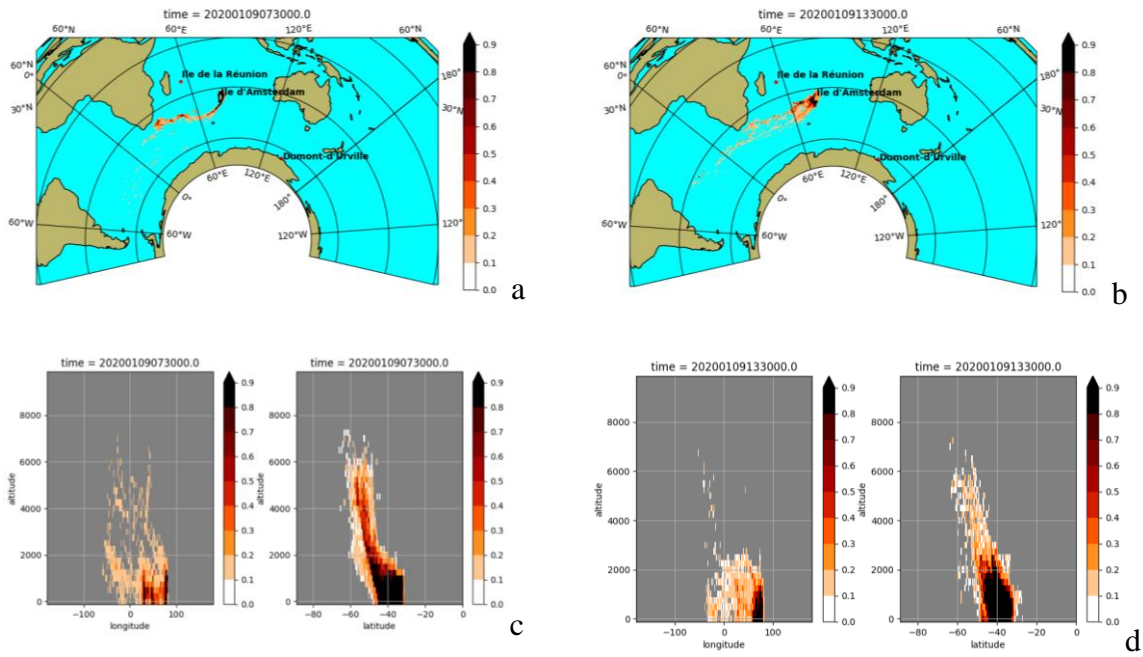


87 2- Backtrajectories obtained with the flexpart model



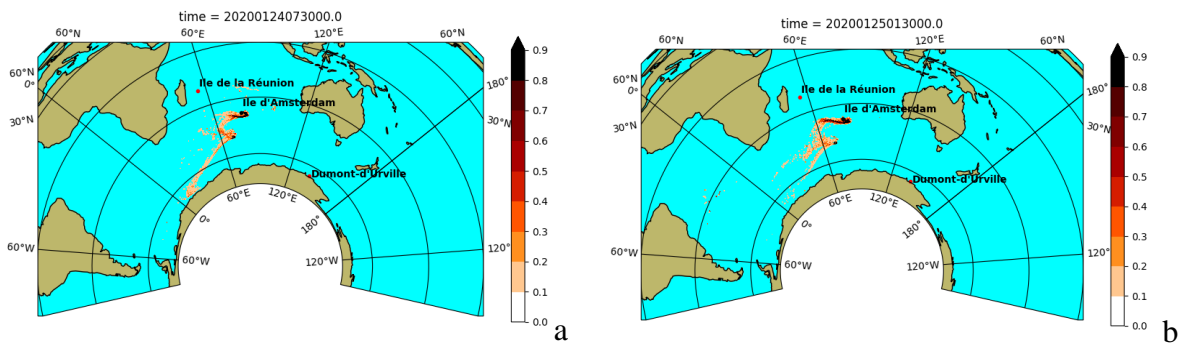
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89 **Figure S2:** FLEXPART footprints in 2D projections for the event of the 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> of January.  
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91 ten-day back trajectories (1000 particules per launch). A dark red color indicates a zone with a  
92 high concentration of particles, hence a region from which a large part of the air mass  
93 originates. a: latitude-longitude projection of the FLEXPART back trajectory footprint for the  
94 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 2020 at 13h30. b: same as a for the 3<sup>rd</sup> of January 2020 at 22h30. c: left is the  
95 longitude-altitude projection of the FLEXPART back trajectory footprint for the 3<sup>rd</sup> of  
96 January 2020 at 13h30; right is the latitude-altitude projection of the FLEXPART back  
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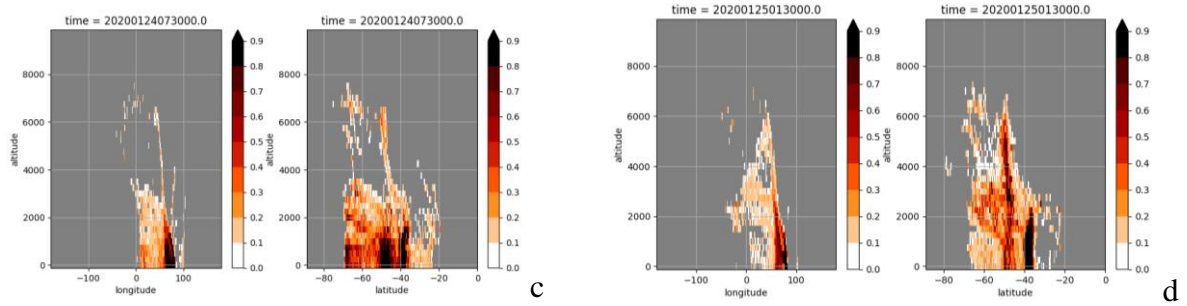
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 103 day back trajectories (1000 particules per launch). A dark red color indicates a zone with a  
 104 high concentration of particles, hence a region from which a large part of the air mass  
 105 originates. a: latitude-longitude projection of the FLEXPART back trajectory footprint for the  
 106 9<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 at 7h30. b: same as a for the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 at 13h30. c: left is the  
 107 longitude-altitude projection of the FLEXPART back trajectory footprint for the 9<sup>th</sup> of  
 108 January 2020 at 7h30; right is the latitude-altitude projection of the FLEXPART back  
 109 trajectory footprint for the 9<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 at 13h30. d: same as a for the 9<sup>th</sup> of January  
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 113 **Figure S4:** FLEXPART footprints in 2D projections for the event of the 21<sup>st</sup> of January. The  
 114 colors on each grid point of these projections represent the density of particles over the ten-  
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 116 high concentration of particles, hence a region from which a large part of the air mass  
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 118 21<sup>st</sup> of January 2020 at 7h30. b: same as a for the 21<sup>st</sup> of January 2020 at 13h00. c: left is the  
 119 longitude-altitude projection of the FLEXPART back trajectory footprint for the 21<sup>st</sup> of  
 120 January 2020 at 7h30; right is the latitude-altitude projection of the FLEXPART *back*  
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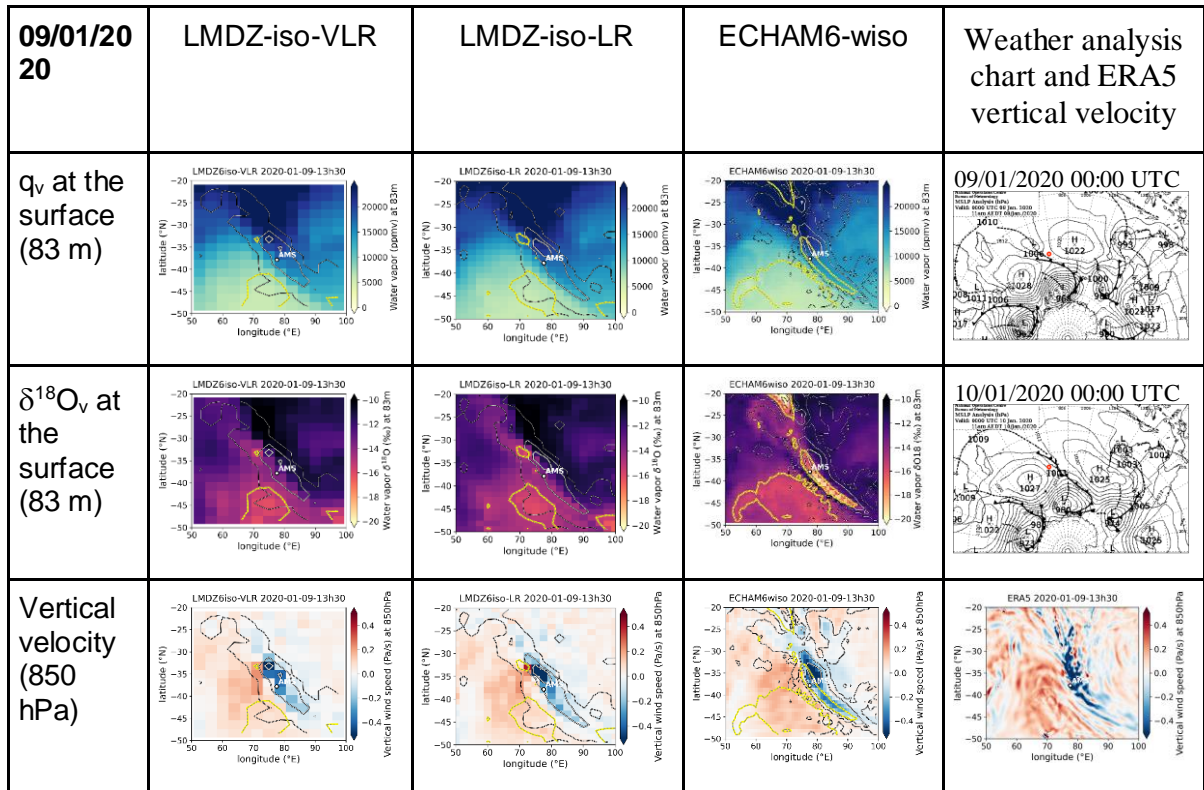
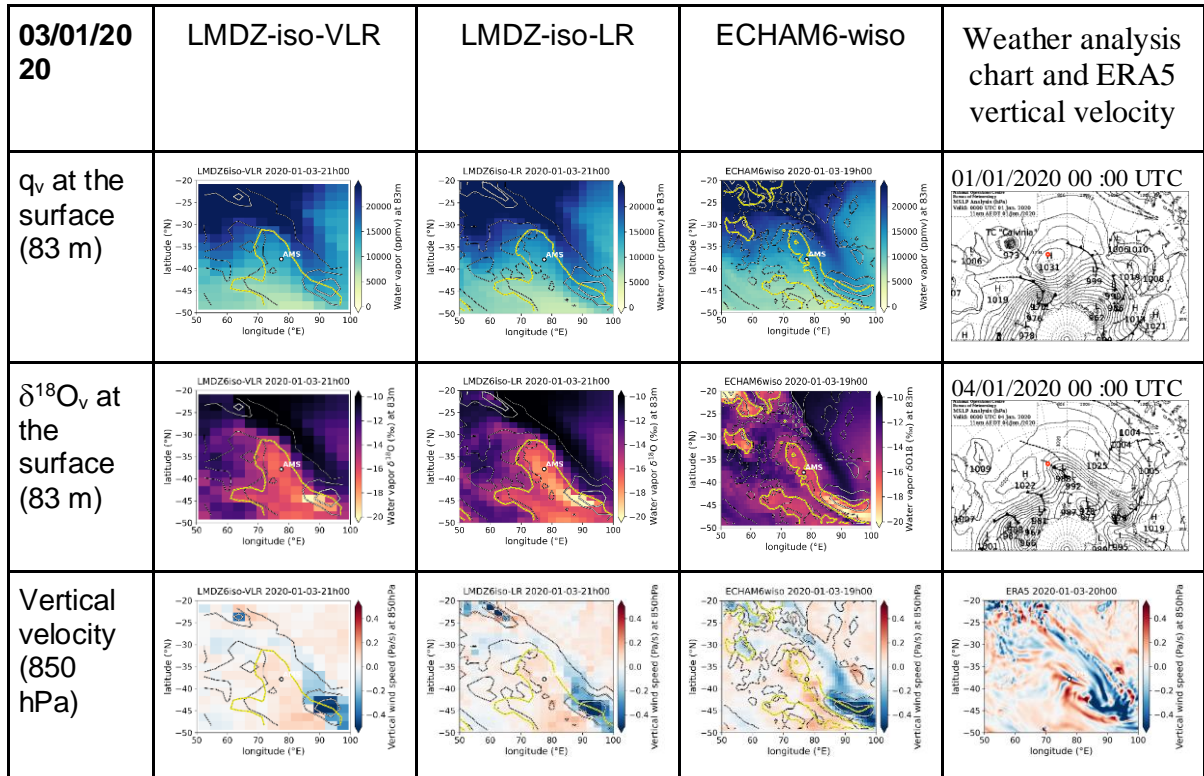
125 2. Model outputs for the 4 events over the period January – March 2020

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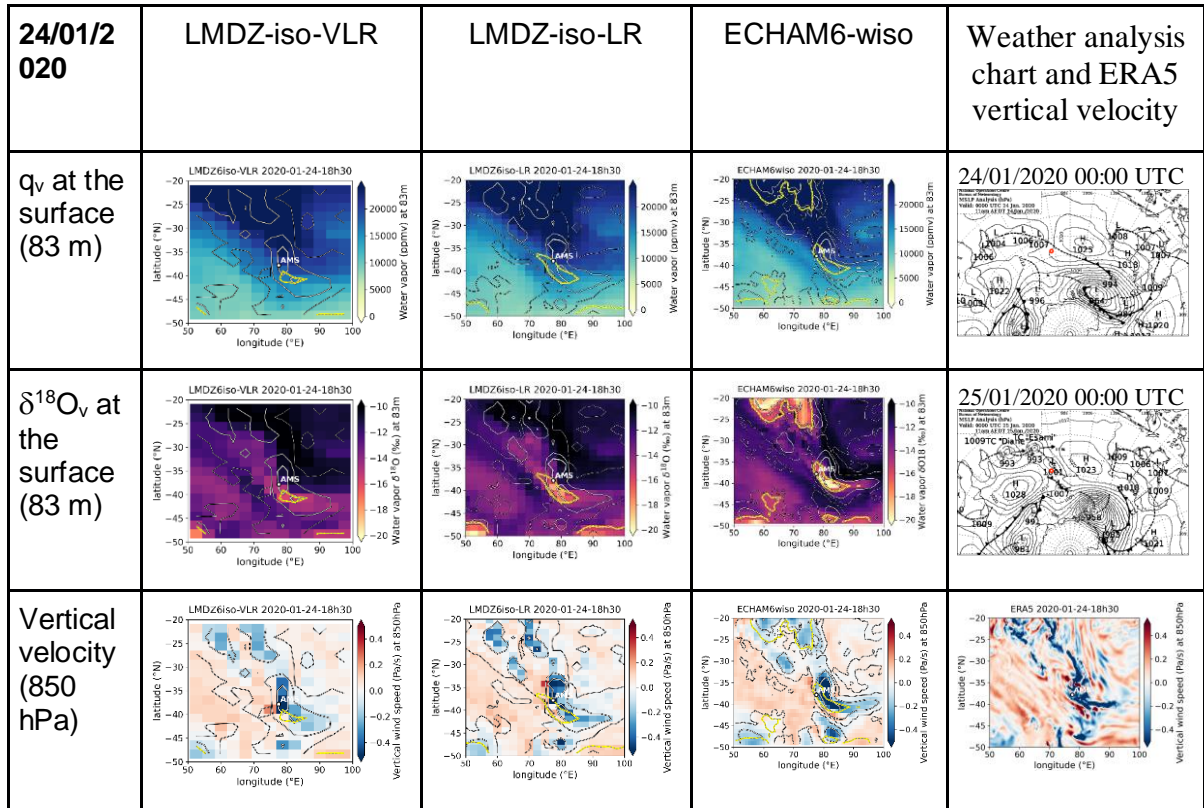
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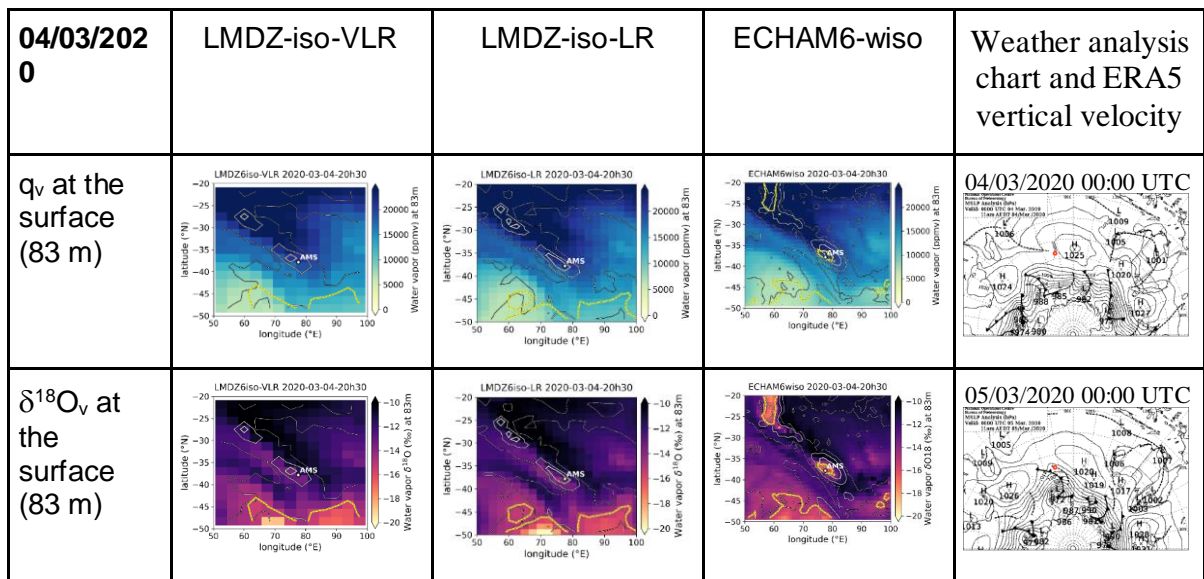
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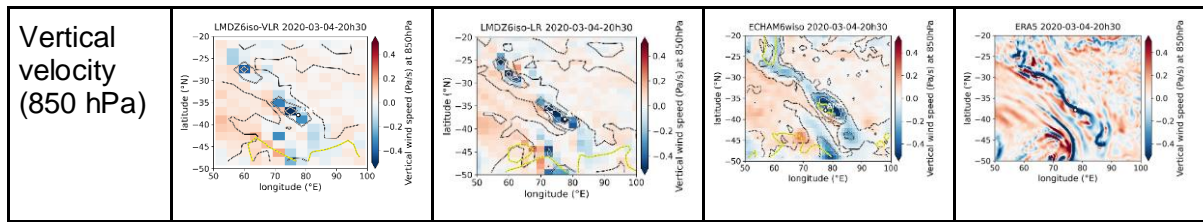


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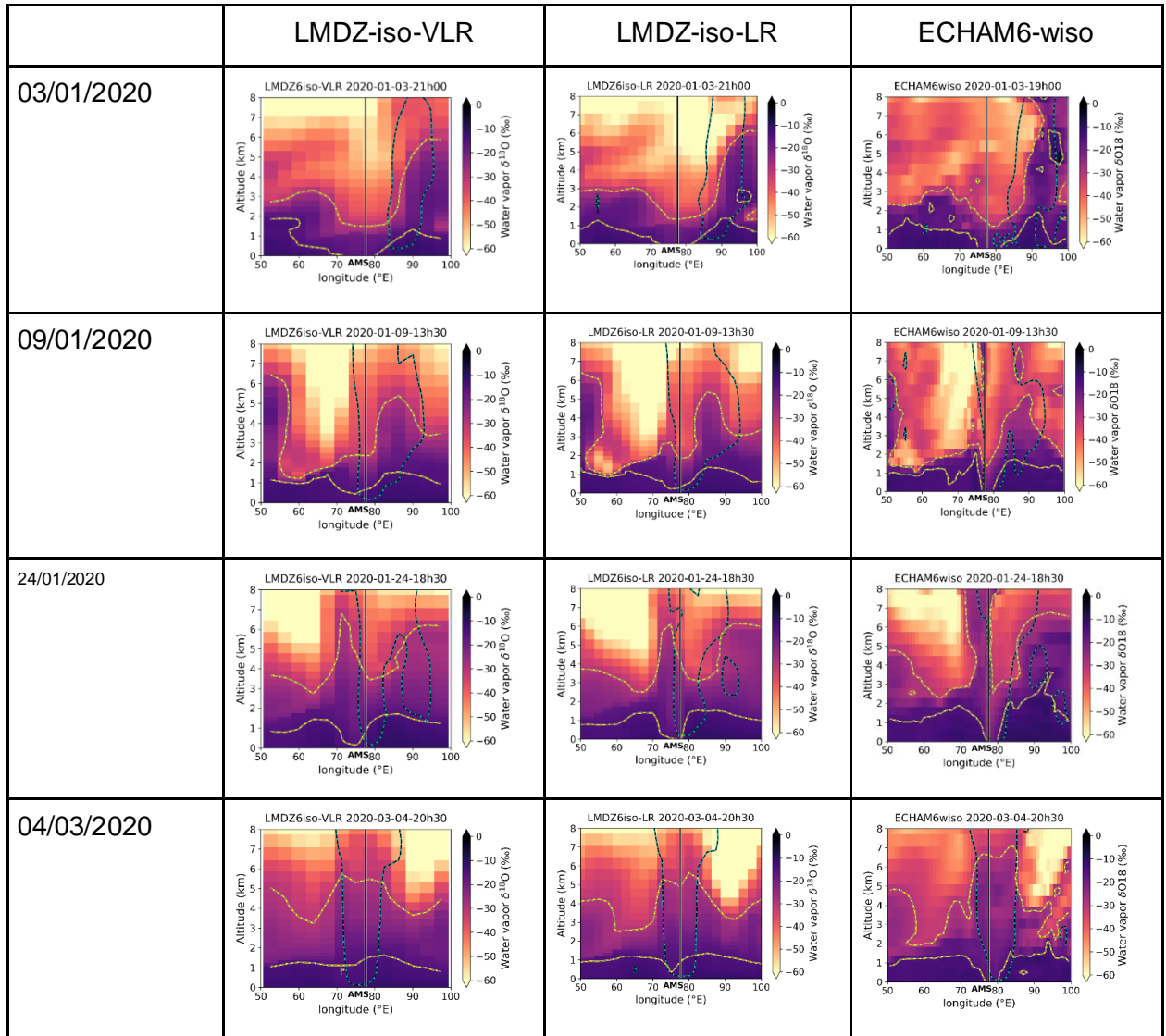


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142 **Figure S5:** Modeled water mixing ratio and  $d^{18}O_v$  at the surface and vertical velocity at 850 hPa for  
 143 the 4 events of the beginning of 2020 as modeled by LMDZ6 with very low resolution (1st column),  
 144 low resolution (2nd column), ECHAM6-wiso (3rd column) and ERA5 (4th column). Yellow contours  
 145 indicate  $-15\text{‰}$  contour of surface water vapor  $\delta^{18}O$ . Black contours: precipitation contours at 0.5, 10,  
 146 and 50 mm day $^{-1}$  (thin, medium and thick lines respectively). Weather analysis chart are provided  
 147 once a day at 00:00 UTC by the Analysis Chart Archive service of the Australian Government Bureau  
 148 of Meteorology (<http://www.bom.gov.au/australia/charts/archive/index.shtml>). Red dot on weather  
 149 charts displays Amsterdam Island location.

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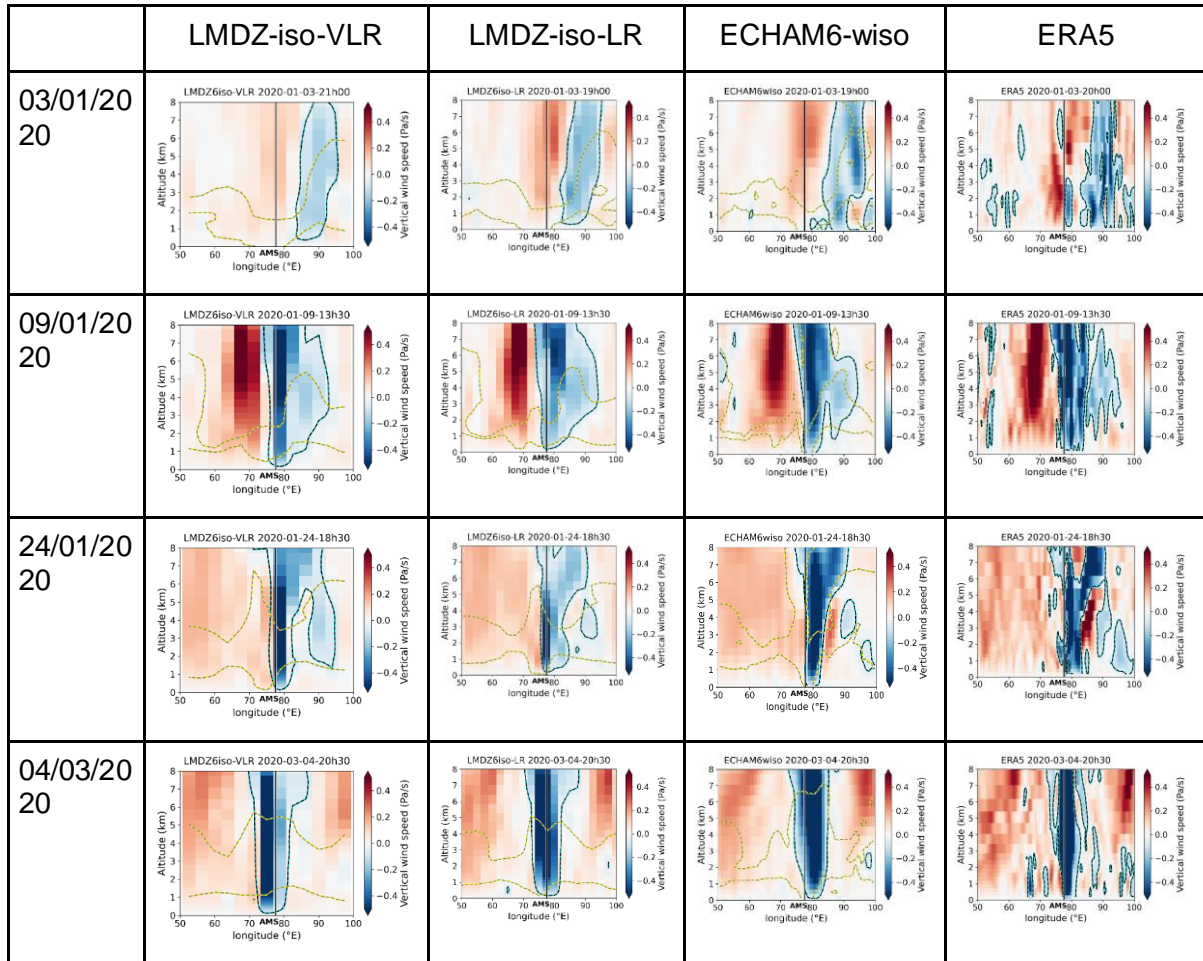
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 156 Amsterdam latitude as modeled by LMDZ6 with very low resolution (left), low resolution (middle)  
 157 and ECHAM6-wiso (right). Yellow contours indicate  $-30\text{‰}$  (upper) and  $-15\text{‰}$  (lower) contours of  
 158 surface air water vapor  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ . Black contours indicate contours of  $-0.05 \text{ Pa s}^{-1}$  vertical velocity  
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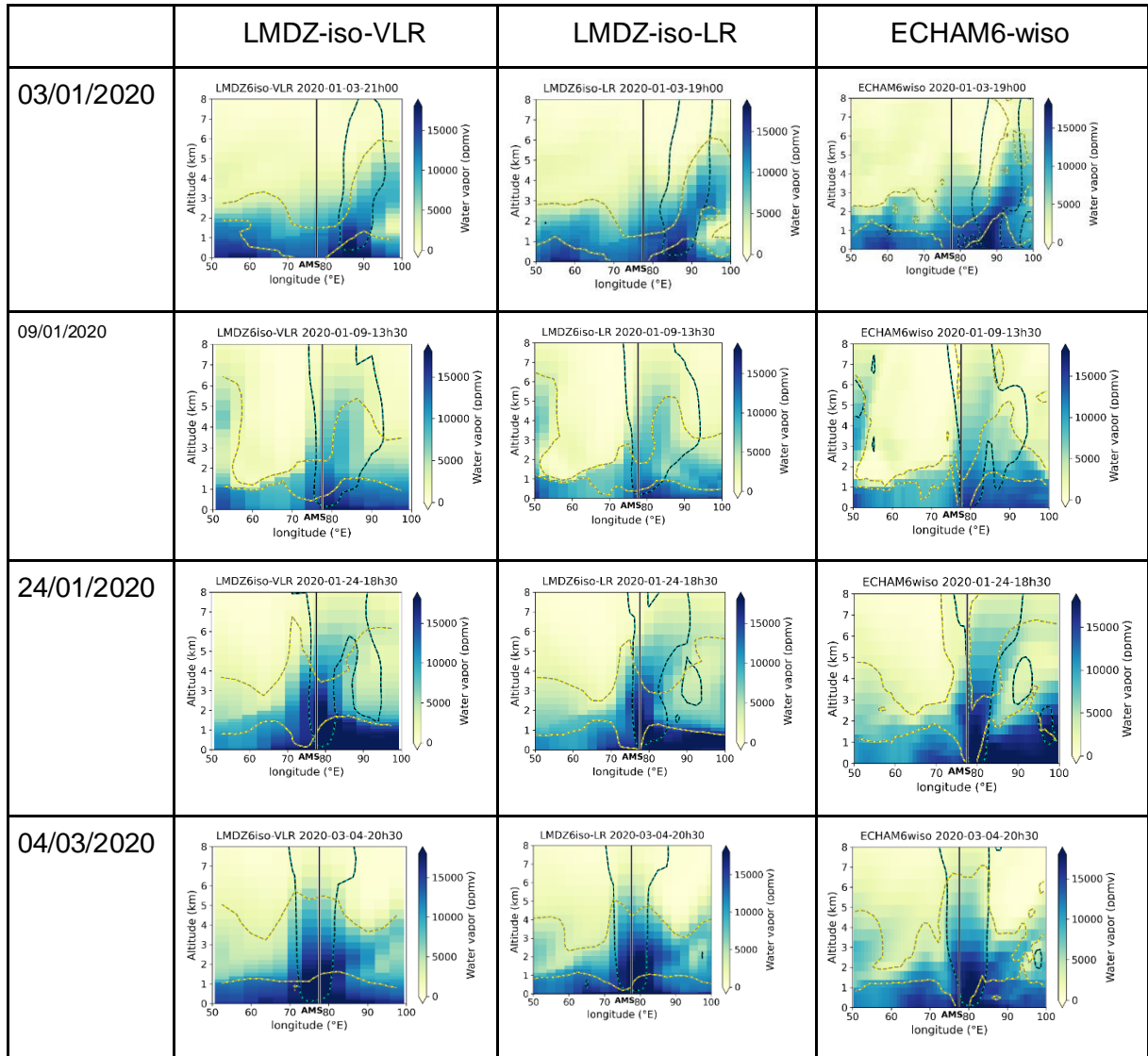
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 167 (2nd column), ECHAM6-wiso (3rd column) and ERA5 (4th column). Yellow contours indicate  $-30\%$   
 168 (upper) and  $-15\%$  (lower) contours of surface air water vapor  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ . Black contours indicate contours  
 169 of  $-0.05 \text{ Pa s}^{-1}$  vertical velocity (ascendence). The vertical black line denotes Amsterdam Island  
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**Figure S8:** Humidity plotted on a cross section of longitude (x) versus altitude (y) at the Amsterdam

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latitude as modeled by LMDZ6 with very low resolution (left), low resolution (middle) and

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ECHAM6-wiso (right). Yellow contours indicate  $-30\%$  (upper) and  $-15\%$  (lower) contours of surface

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air water vapor  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ . Black contours indicate contours of  $-0.05 \text{ Pa s}^{-1}$  vertical velocity (ascendence).

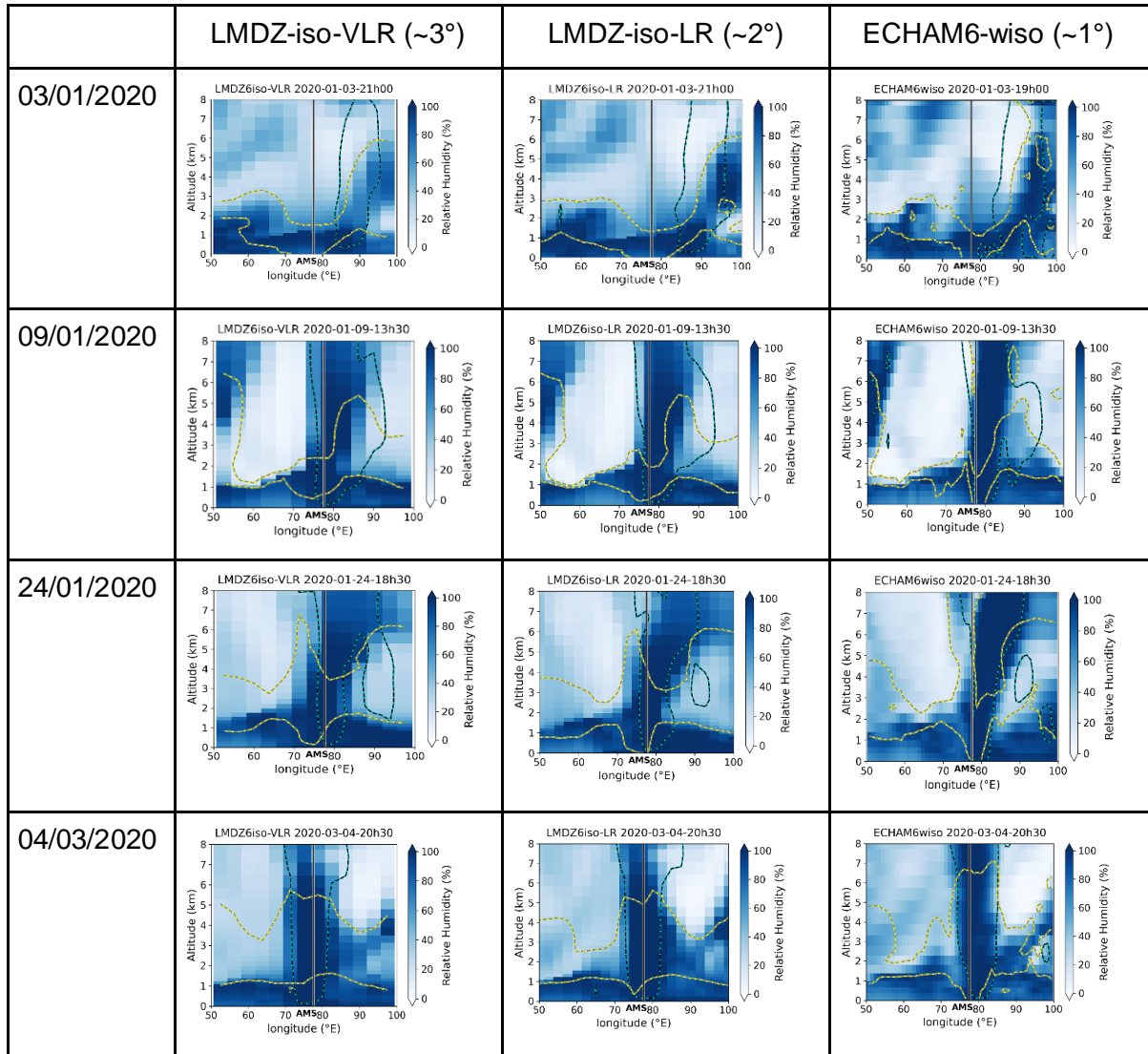
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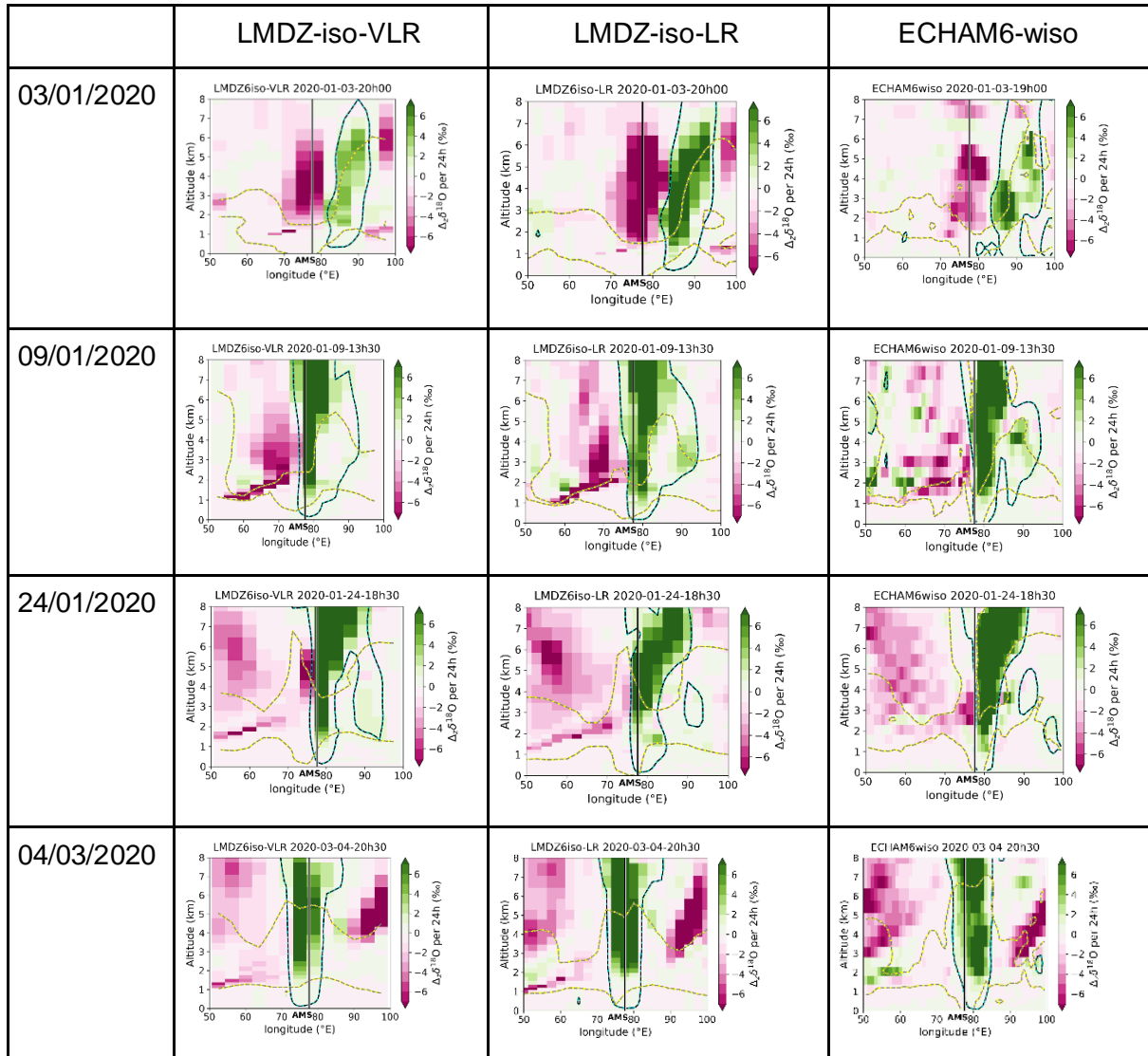
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**Figure S9:** Relative humidity plotted on a cross section of longitude (x) versus altitude (y) at the Amsterdam latitude as modeled by LMDZ6 with very low resolution (left), low resolution (middle) and ECHAM6-wiso (right). Yellow contours indicate  $-30\text{‰}$  (upper) and  $-15\text{‰}$  (lower) contours of surface air water vapor  $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ . Black contours indicate contours of  $-0.05 \text{ Pa s}^{-1}$  vertical velocity (ascendence). The vertical black line denotes Amsterdam Island latitude.



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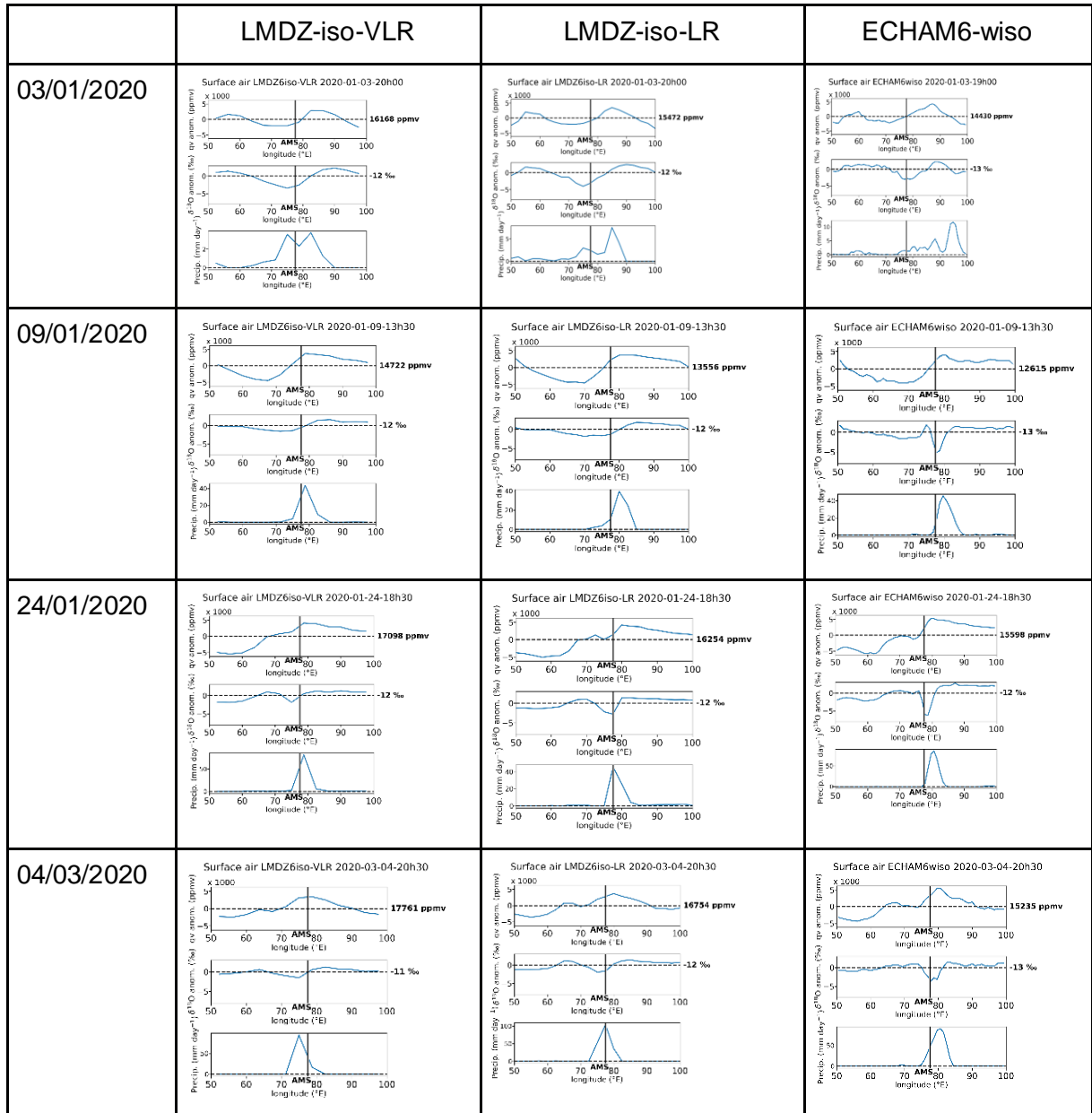
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**Figure S10:** Vertical advection of delta per 24h (calculated as  $dq_{adv,z} / q_{surf} \times (\delta^{18}O - \delta^{18}O_{surf})$ , positive for increase of delta at the surface and negative for decrease of delta at surface) on a cross section of longitude (x) versus altitude (y) at the Amsterdam latitude as modeled by LMDZ6 with very low resolution (left), low resolution (middle) and ECHAM6-wiso (right). Yellow contours indicate  $-30\text{‰}$  (upper) and  $-15\text{‰}$  (lower) contours of surface air water vapor  $\delta^{18}O$ . Black contours indicate contours of  $-0.05 \text{ Pa s}^{-1}$  vertical velocity (ascendence). The vertical black line denotes Amsterdam Island latitude.



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209 **Figure S11** : Surface signal ( $q_v$  on the top,  $\delta^{18}O_v$  on the middle and precipitation on the bottom) as  
 210 modeled by LMDZ6 with very low resolution (left), low resolution (middle) and ECHAM6-  
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