

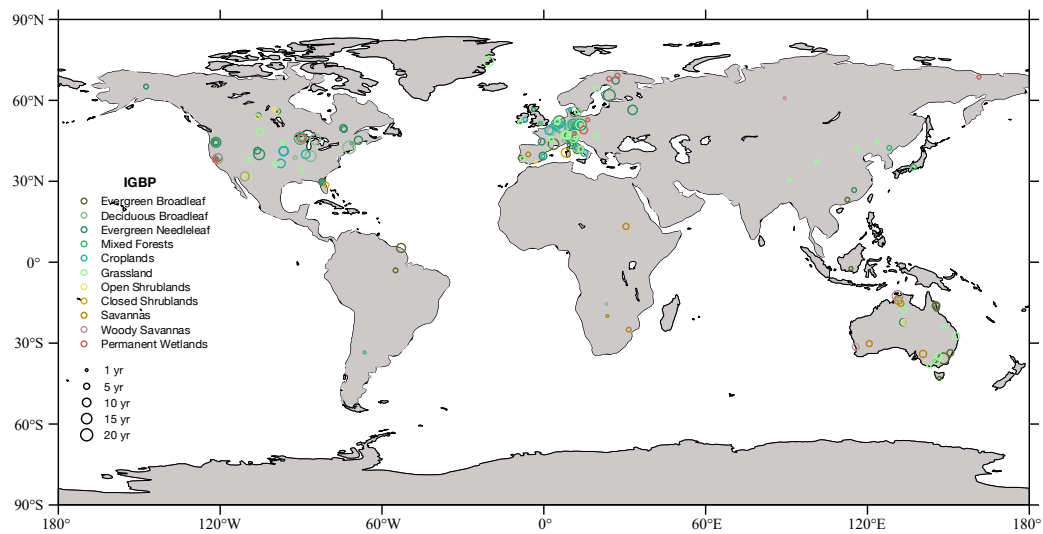
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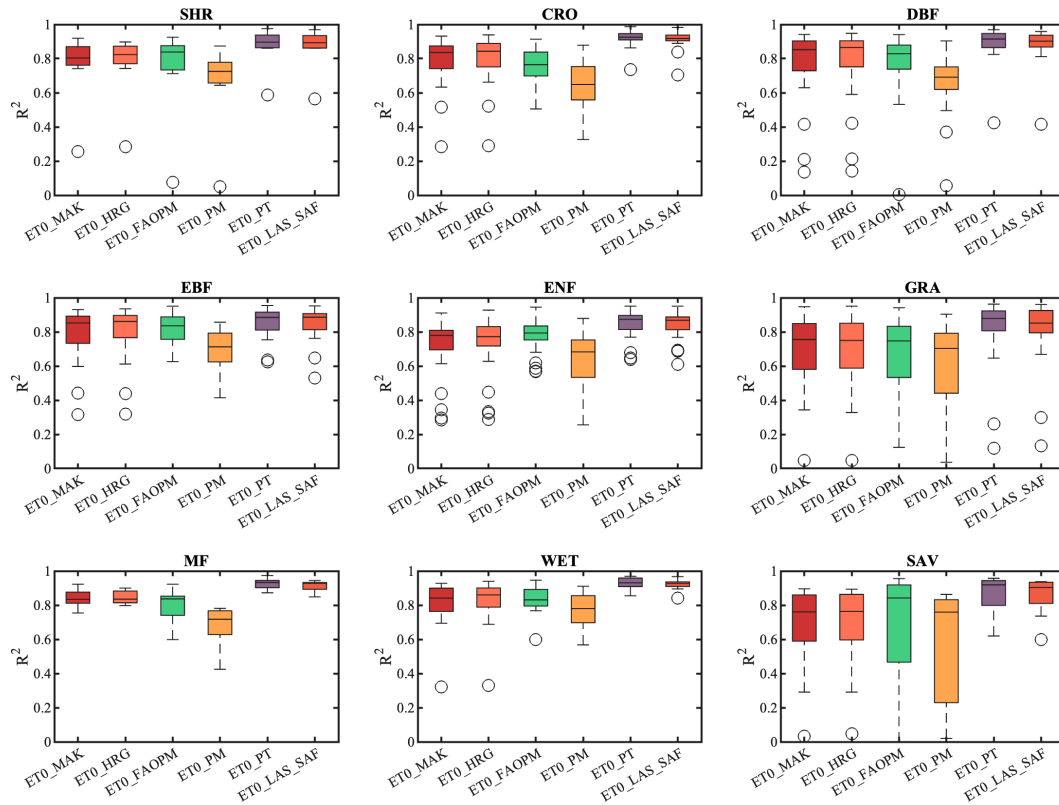
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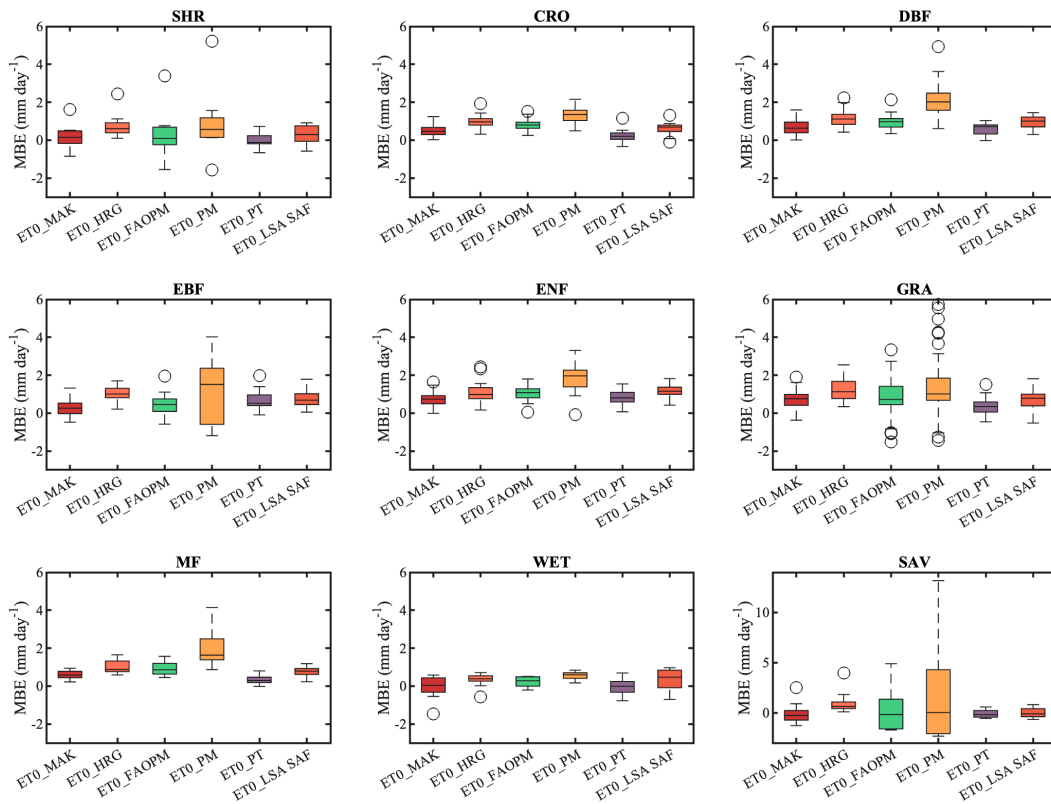
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S2. The statistical analysis between calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0m}) using different formulas and modeled potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0s}) by STEMMUS-SCOPE of different vegetation types at 170 flux sites.



15 **Figure S2.1 Coefficient of determination (R^2) between calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0m}) using different formulas and modeled potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0s}) by STEMMUS-SCOPE at 170 flux sites. (Note: SHR is (Open/Closed) Shrublands, CRO is Croplands, DBF is Deciduous Broadleaf Forests, EBF is Evergreen Broadleaf Forests, ENF is Evergreen Needleleaf Forests, GRA is Grasslands, MF is Mix Forests, WET is Wetland, SAV is (Woody) Savannas)**



20 **Figure S2.2 Mean bias error (MBE) between calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0m}) using different formulas and modeled potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0s}) by STEMMUS-SCOPE at 170 flux sites.**

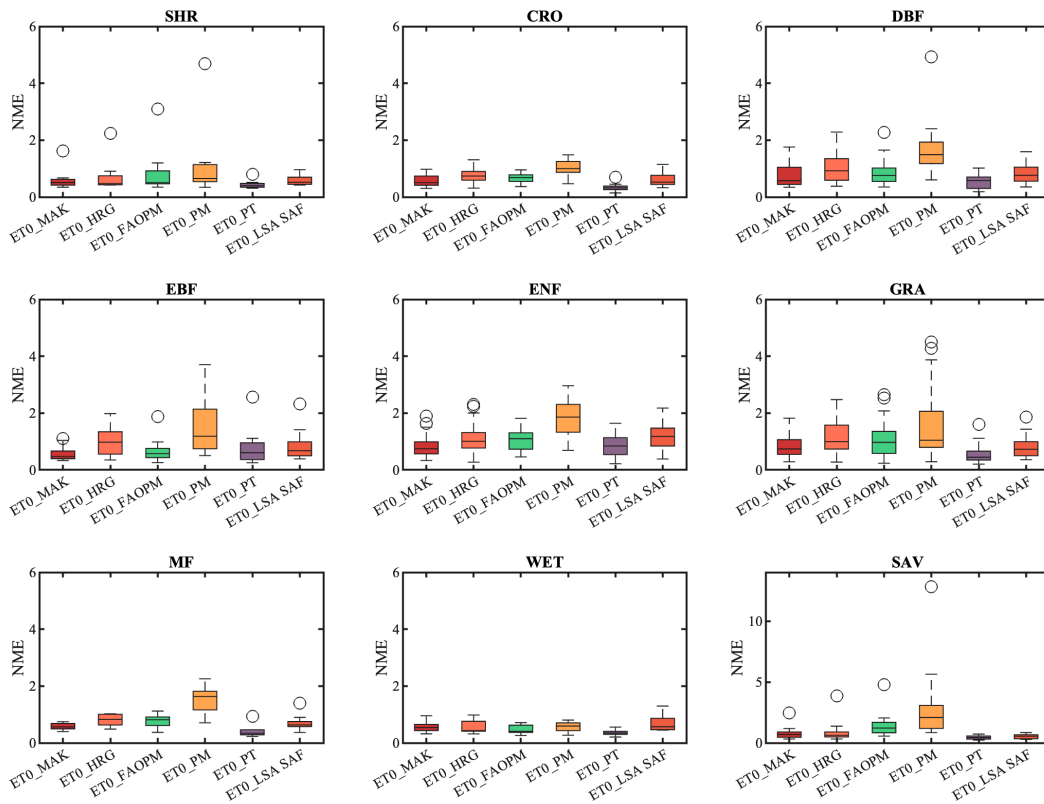
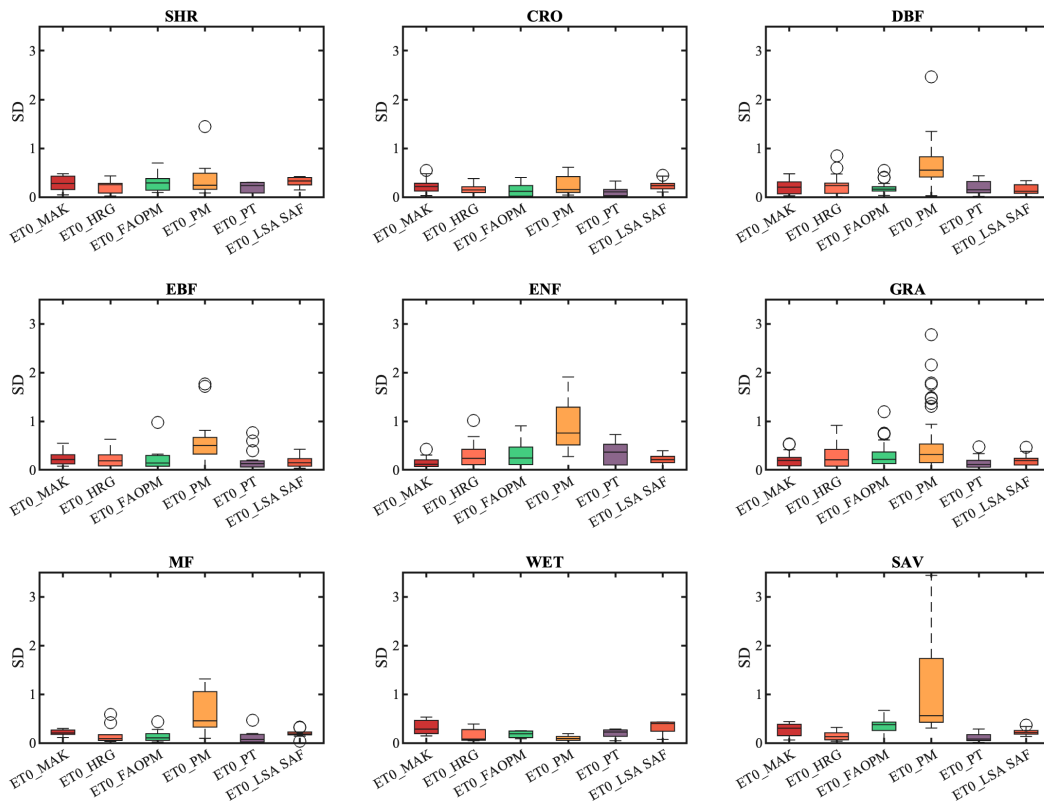


Figure S2.3 Normalized mean error (NME) between calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET0m) using different formulas and modeled potential evapotranspiration (ET0s) by STEMMUS-SCOPE at 170 flux sites.

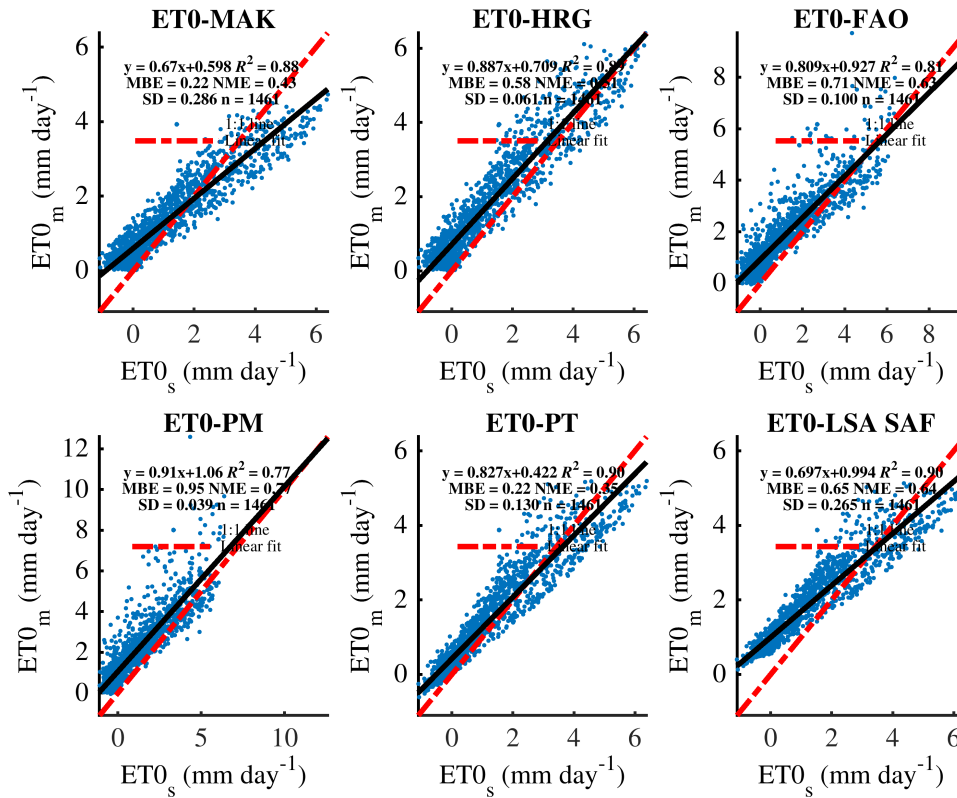


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Figure S2.4 Standard deviation (SD) between calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0m}) using different formulas and modeled potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0s}) by STEMMUS-SCOPE for different vegetation type at 170 flux sites.

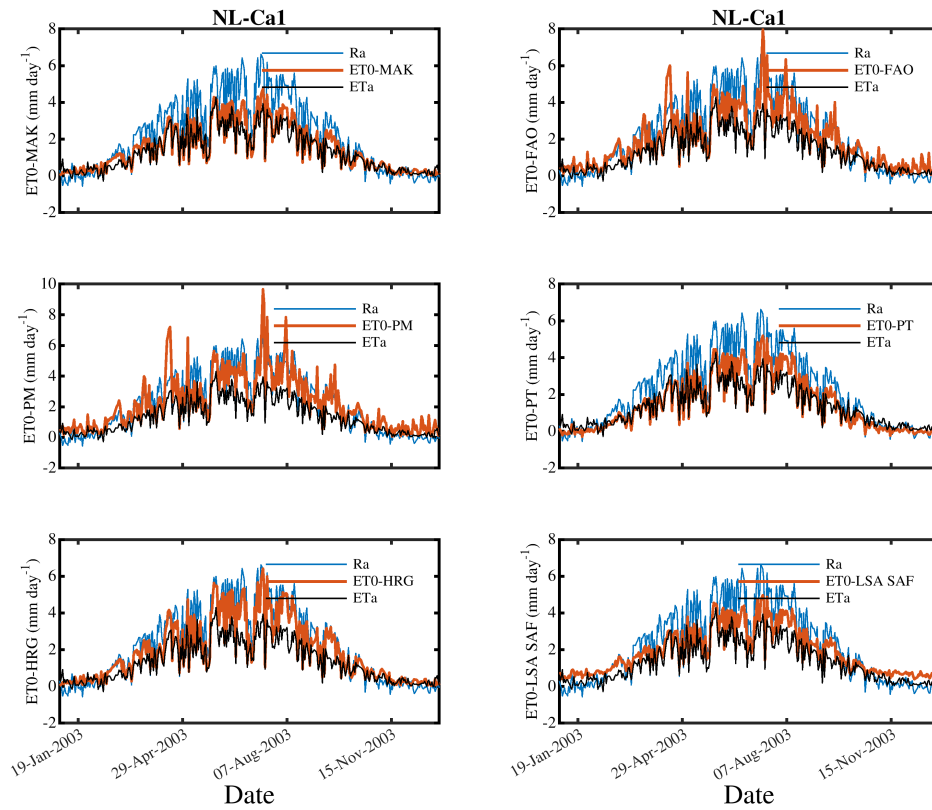
S3. The scatters and time series plots of five typical cropland sites in Europe

S3.1 Cabauw (NL-Ca1) grassland site



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Figure S3.1.1 Correlation between calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0m}) using different formulas and modeled potential evapotranspiration (ET_{0s}) by STEMMUS-SCOPE at NL-Ca1 (data from 2003 to 2006).



35 **Figure S3.1.2** Time series of available energy (Ra), calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET0) with different formulas, and actual evapotranspiration (ETa) measured by eddy covariance system at NL-Ca1.

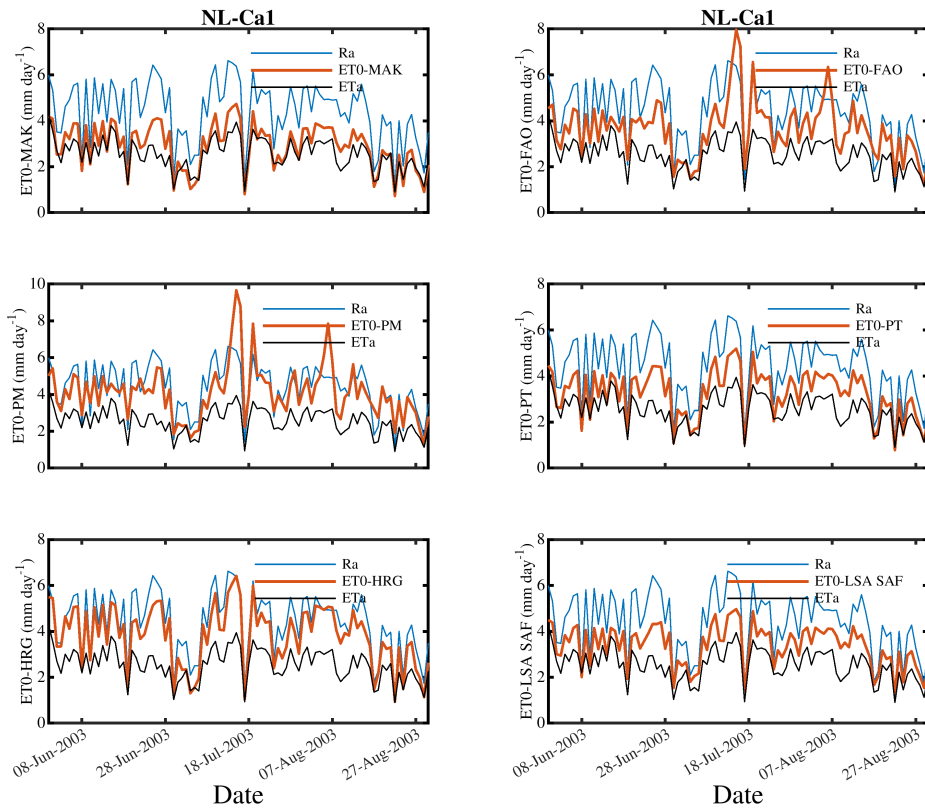
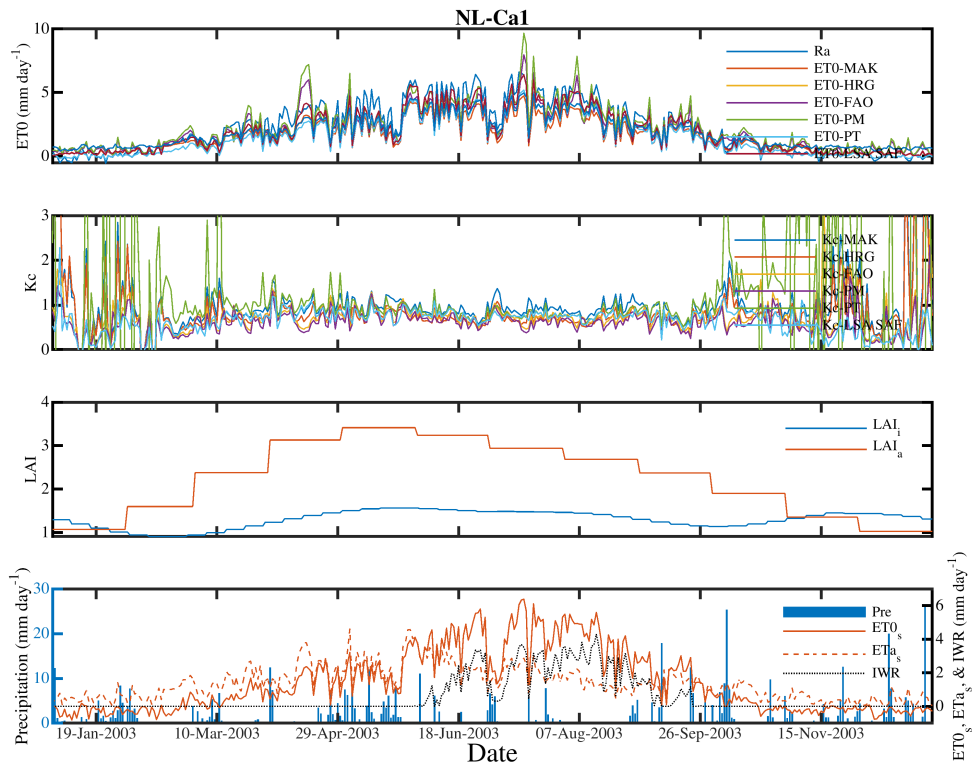
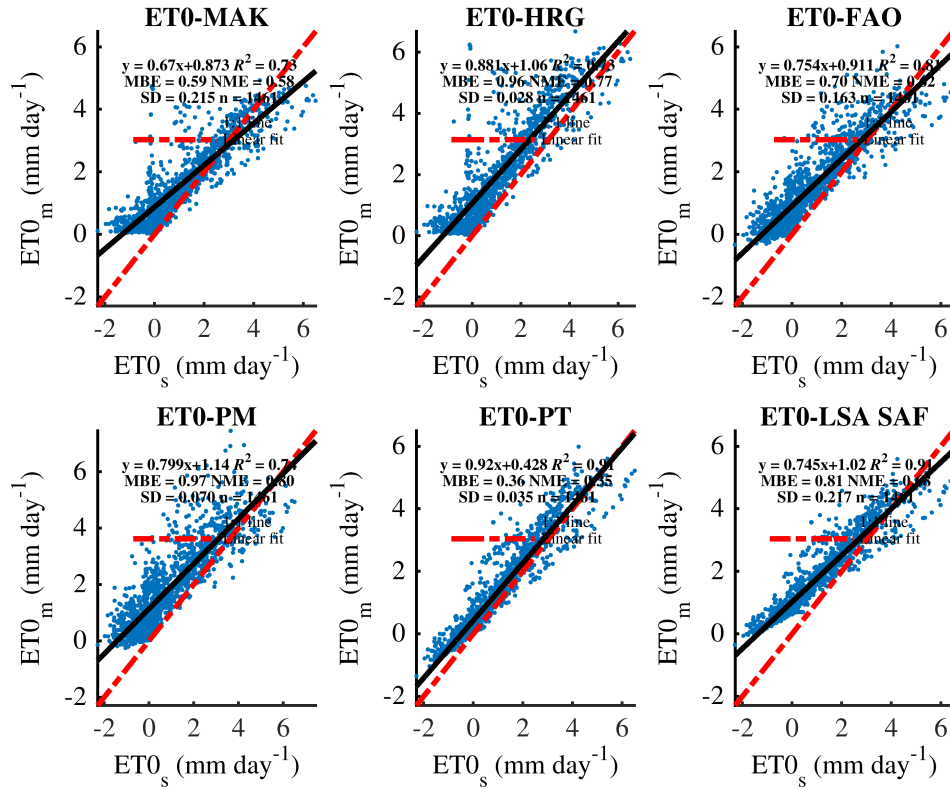


Figure S3.1.3 Time series of available energy (Ra), calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET0) with different formulas, and actual evapotranspiration (ETa) measured by eddy covariance system during the summer season at NL-Ca1.



40 **Figure S3.1.4** Time series of available energy (R_a), calculated potential evapotranspiration (ET_0) with different formulas, derived crop coefficient with different formulas, leaf area index (LAI_a is derived from MODIS data, LAI_l is Fourier fitting for gap filling), and precipitation (Pre) and irrigation water requirement (IWR) at NL-Ca1.

S3.2 Horstermeer (NL-Hor) grassland/wetland site



45 Figure S3.2.1 Same as Fig. 3.1.1 but at NL-Hor (data from 2008 to 2011).

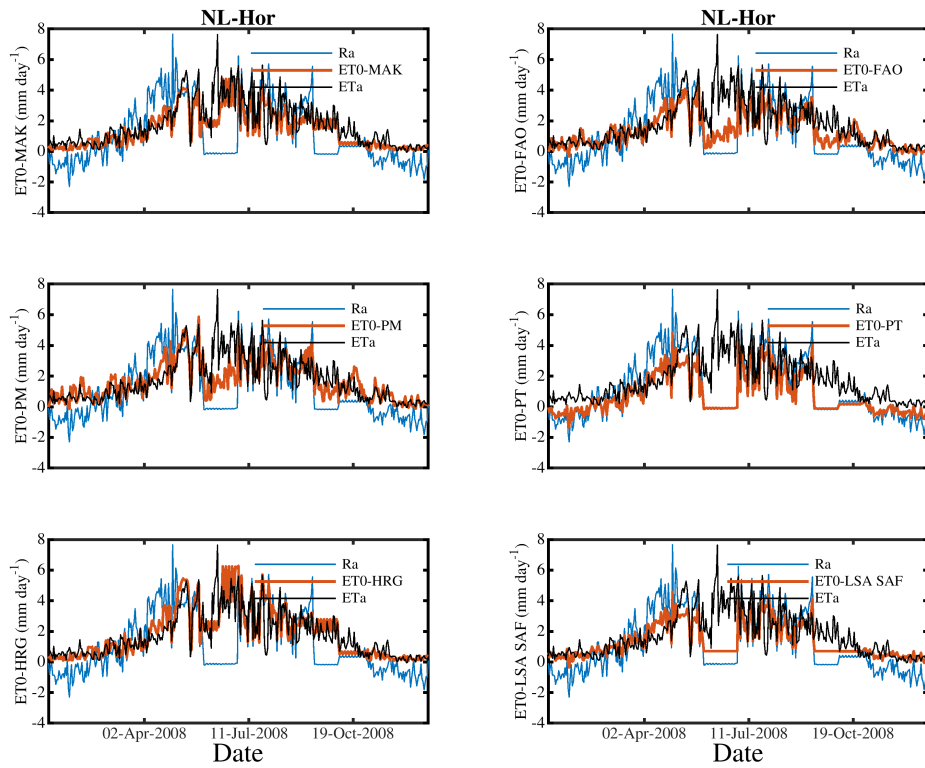


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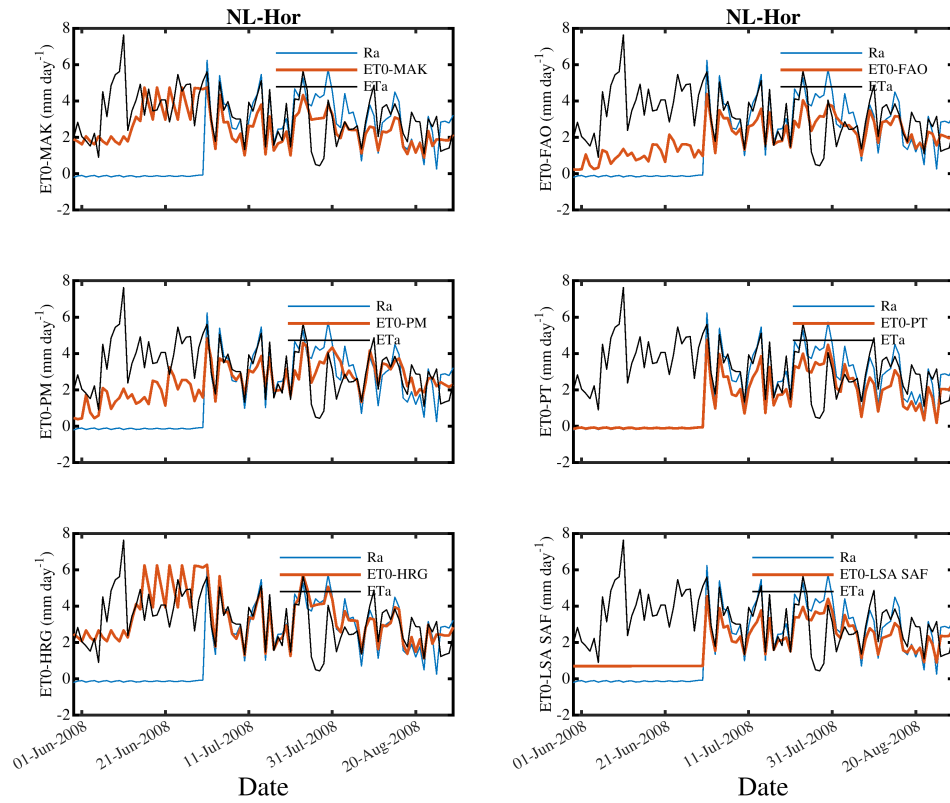
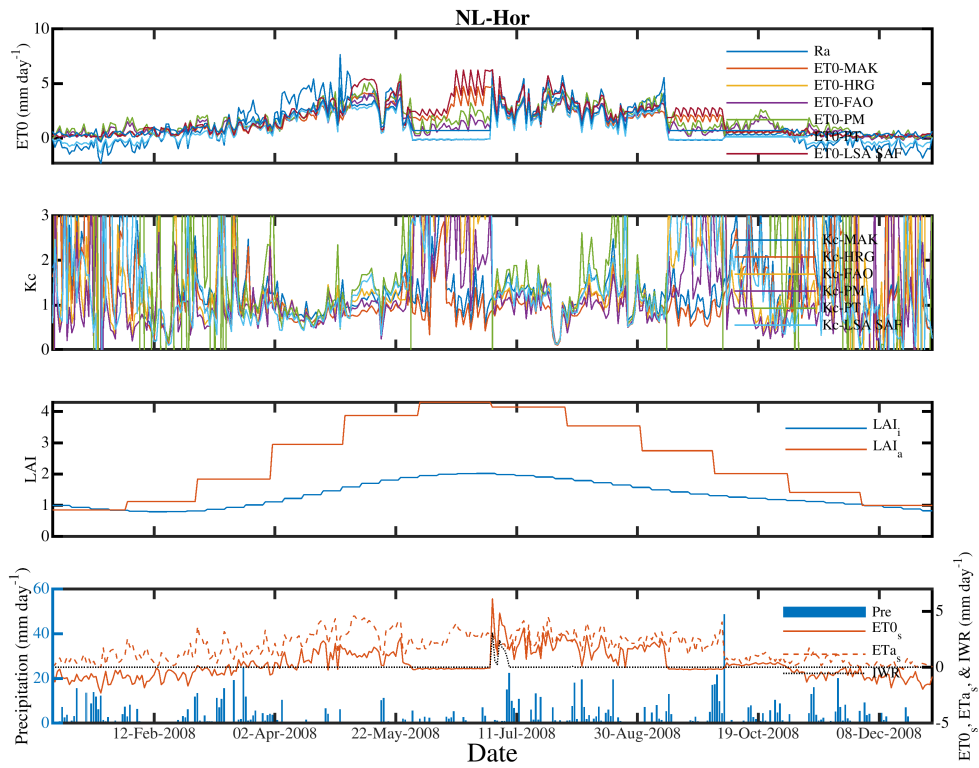


Figure S3.2.3 Same as Fig. 3.1.3 but at NL-Hor.



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S3.3 Loobos (NL-Loo) evergreen needleleaf forest site

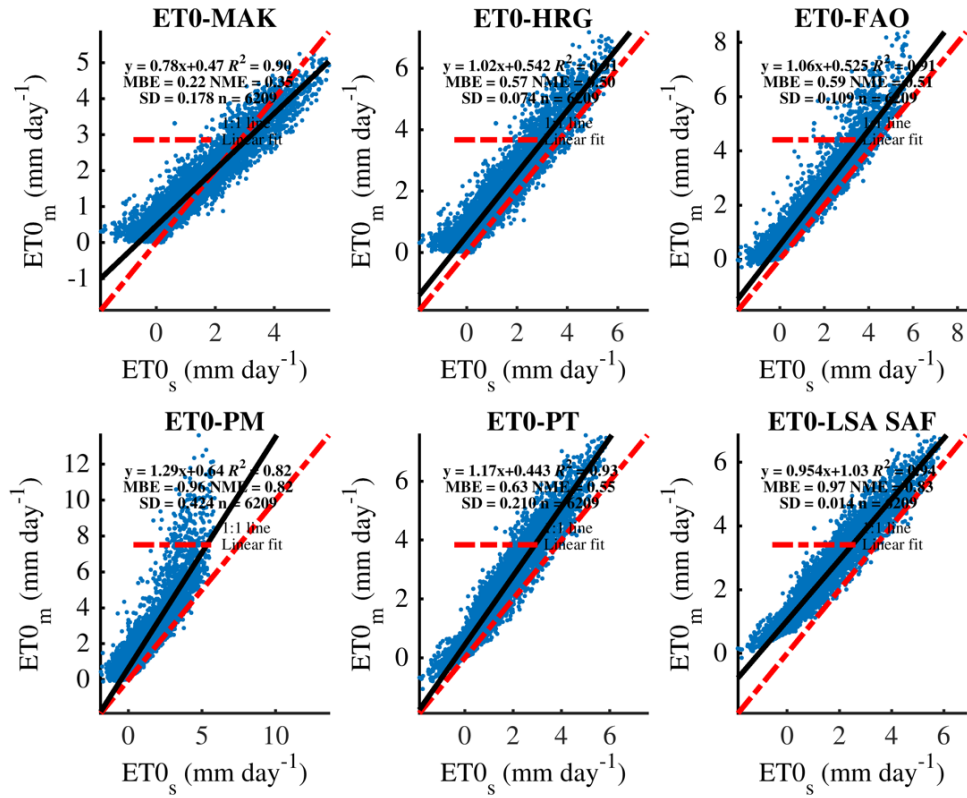
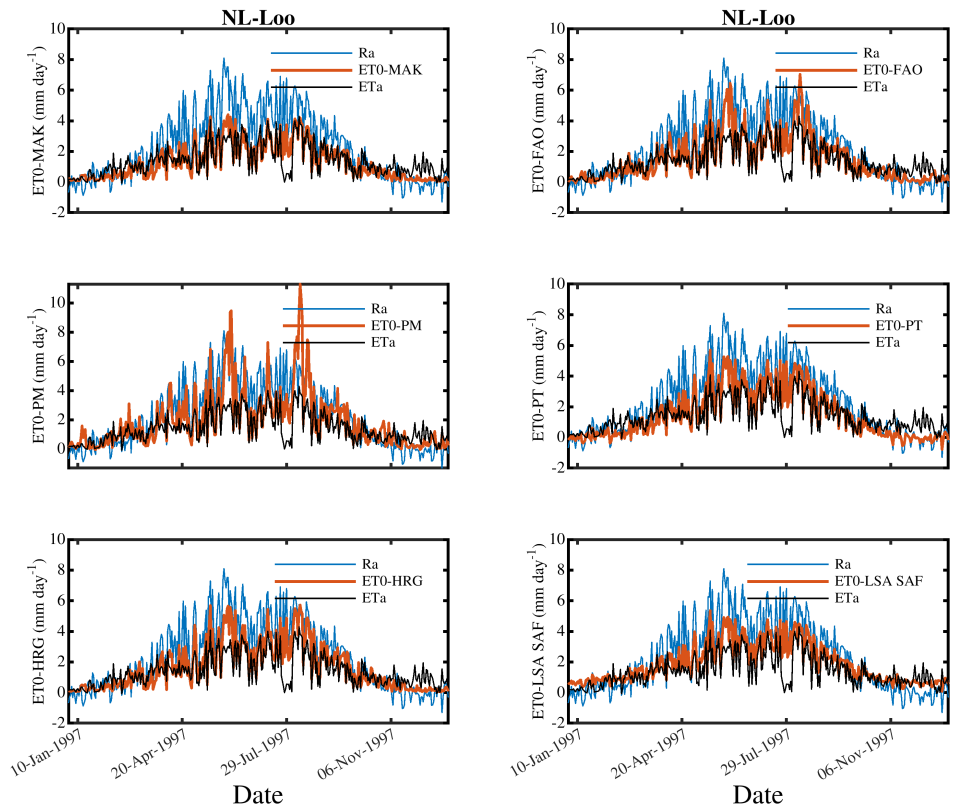


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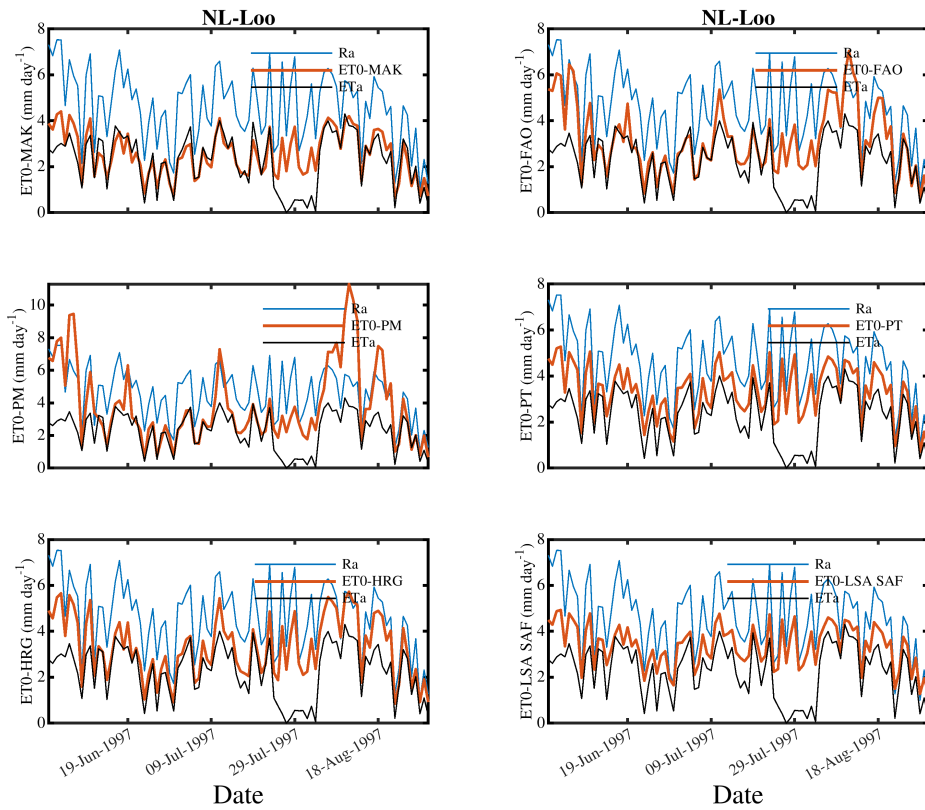
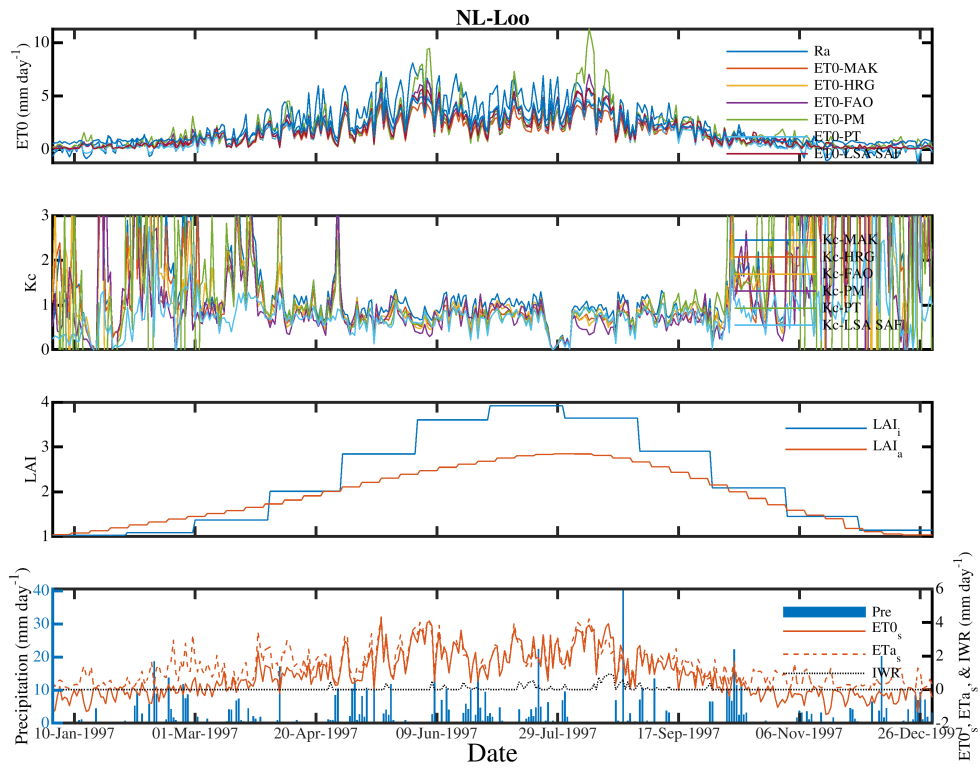


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S3.4 Gebesee (DE-Geb) cropland site in Germany

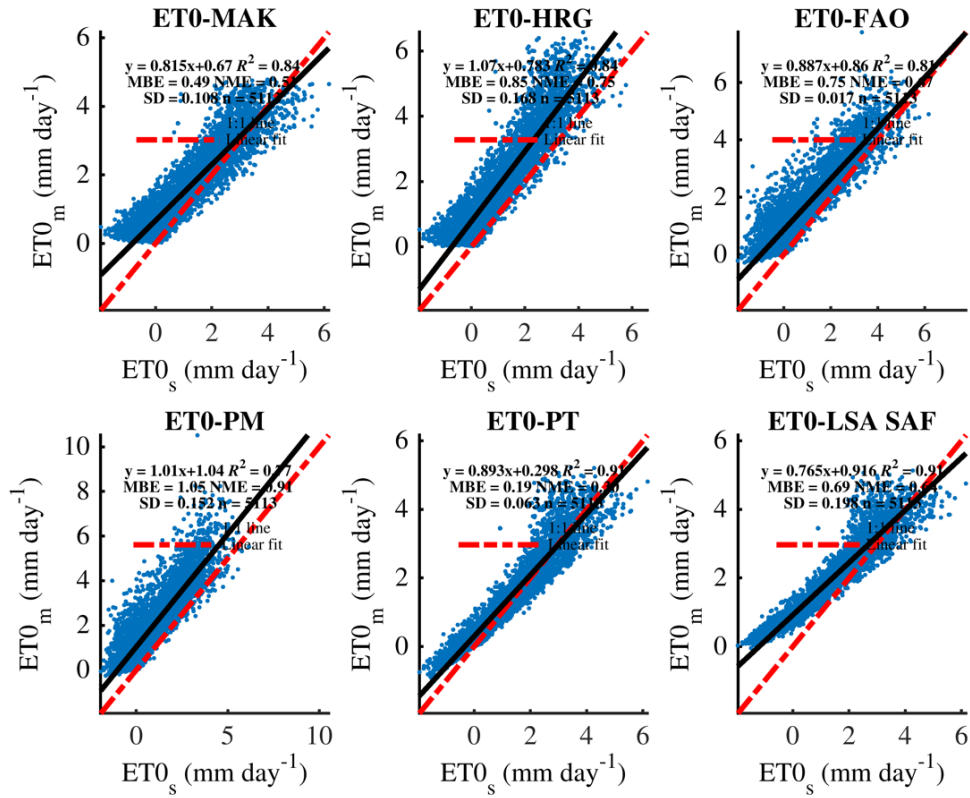
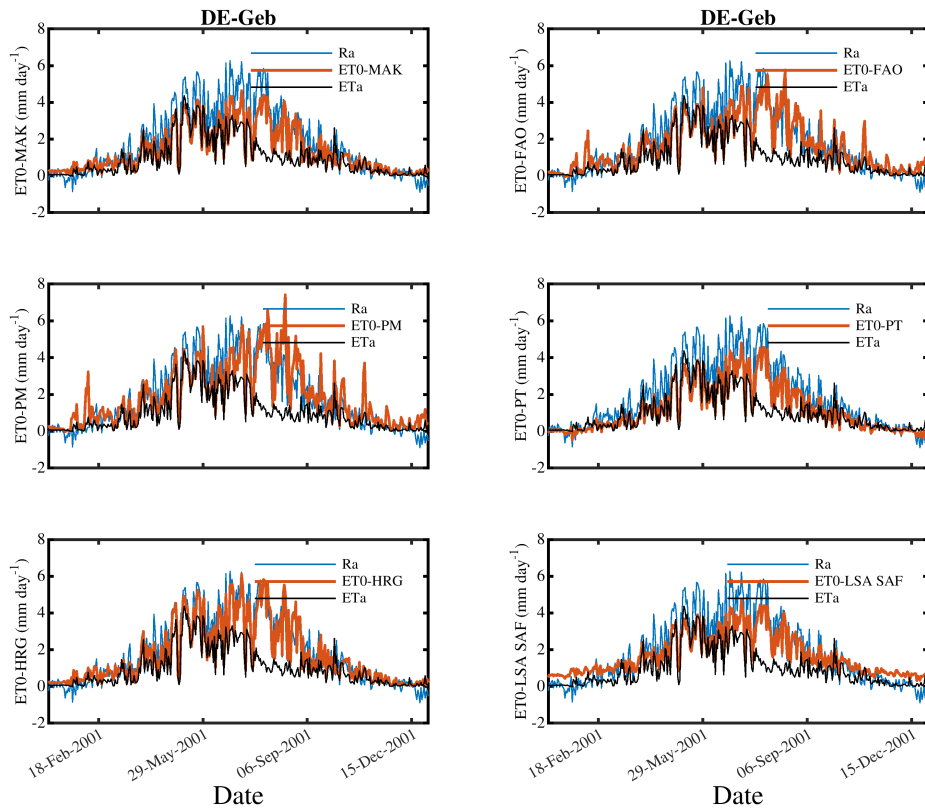


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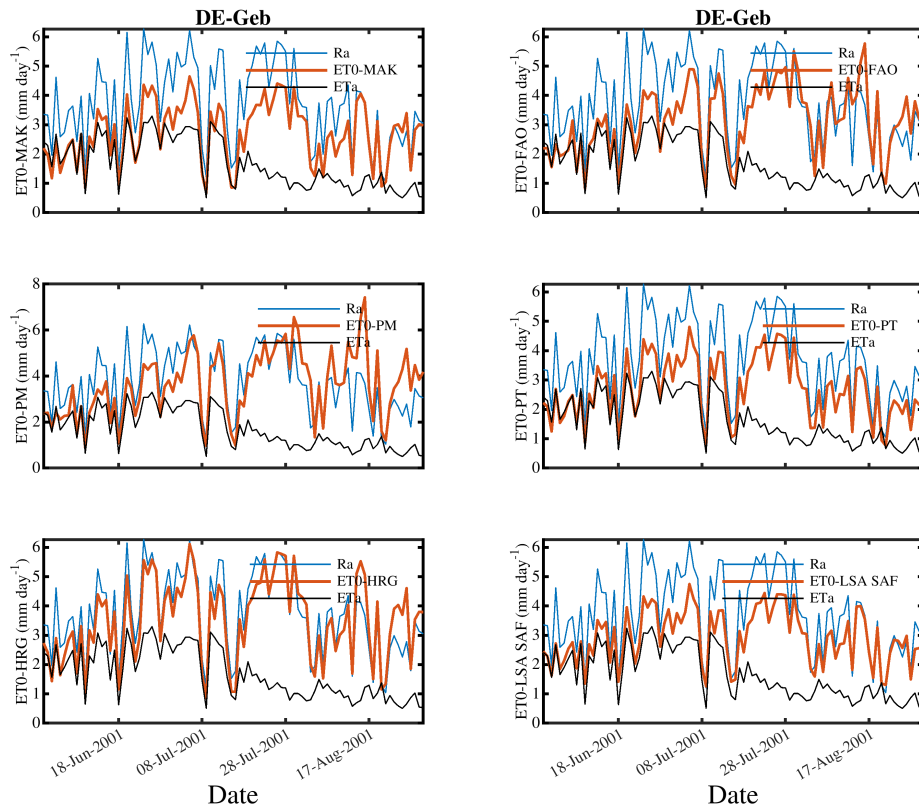


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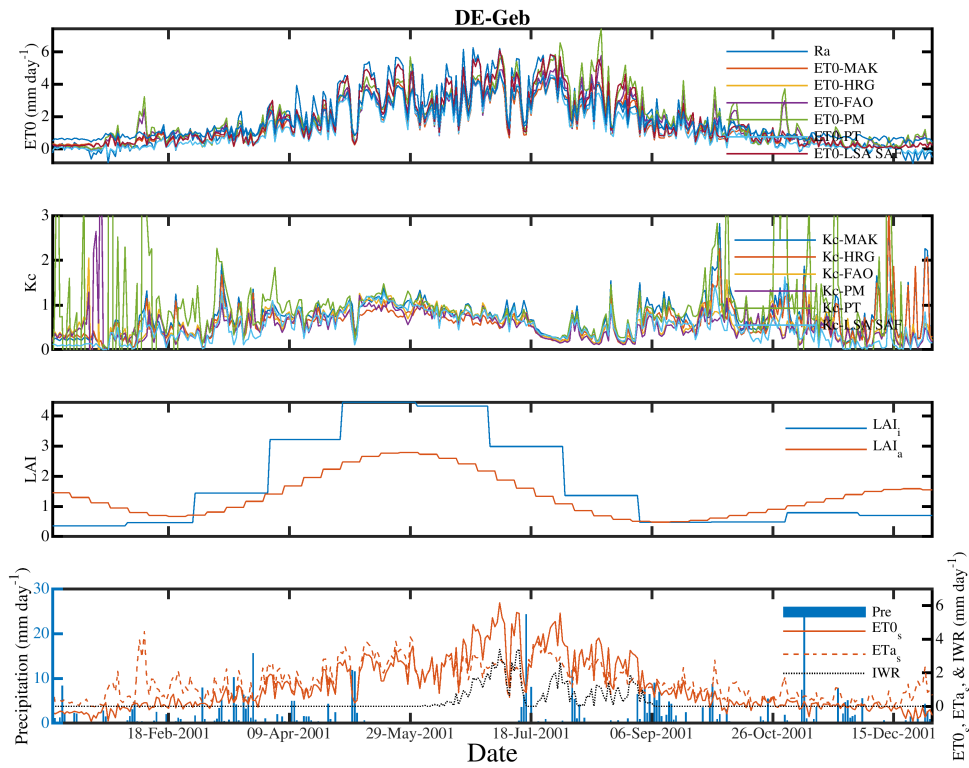


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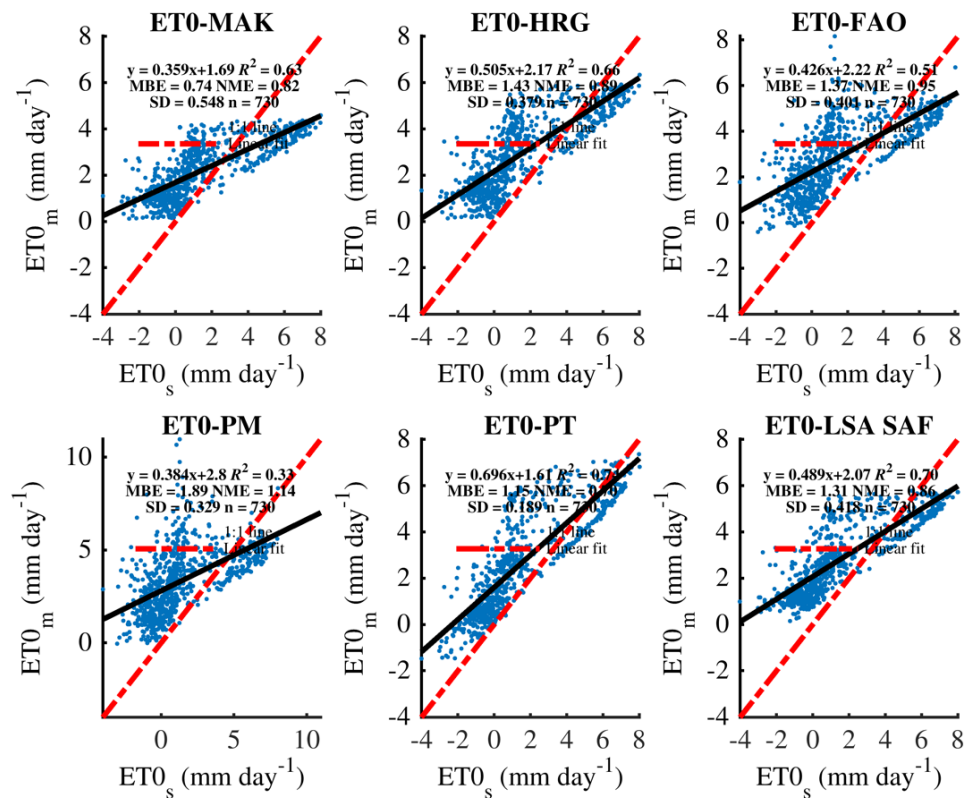


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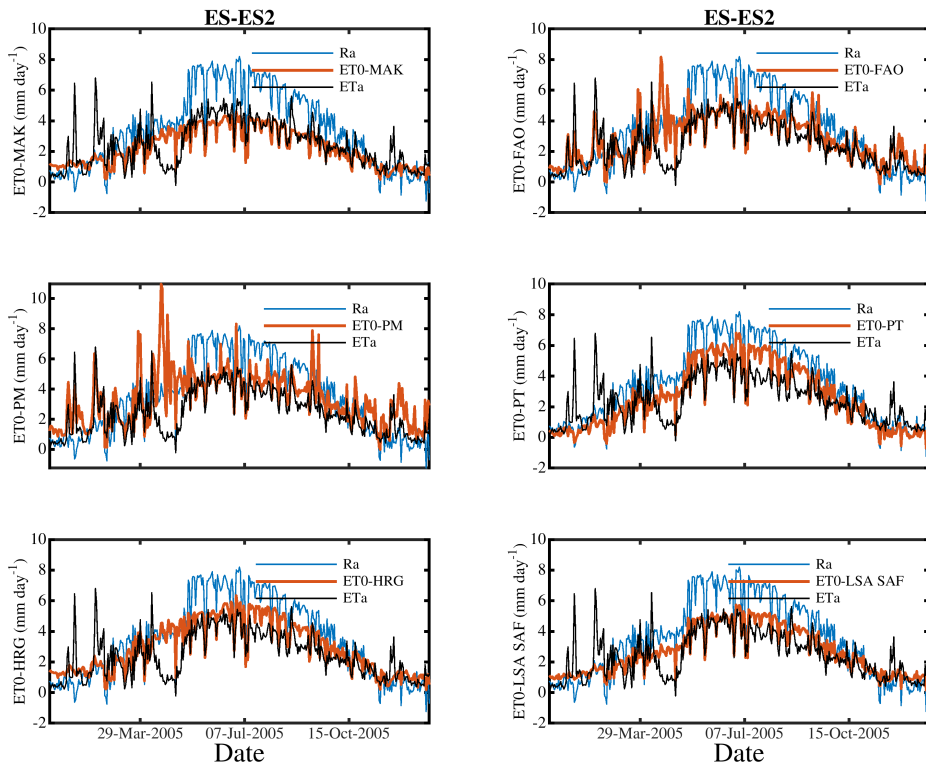
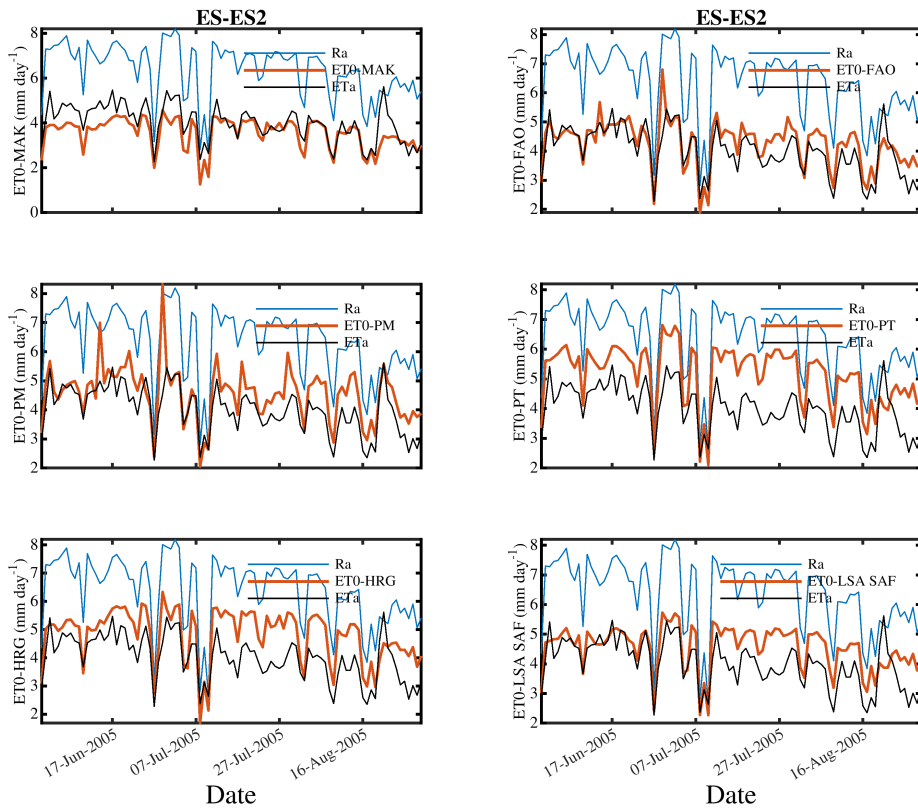


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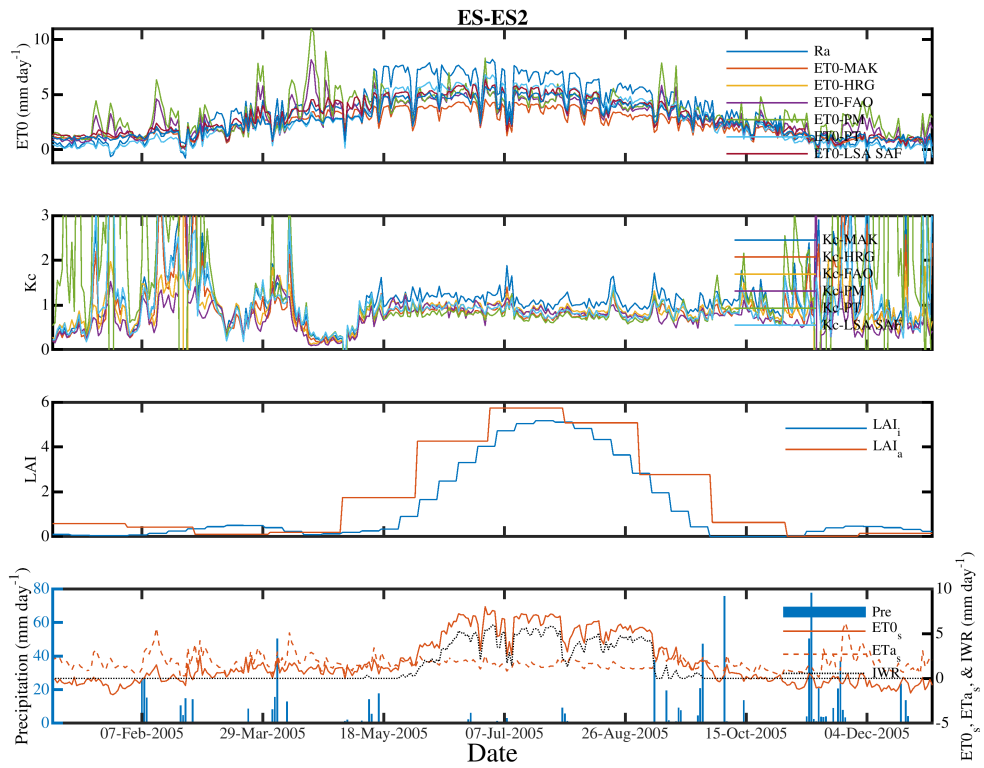
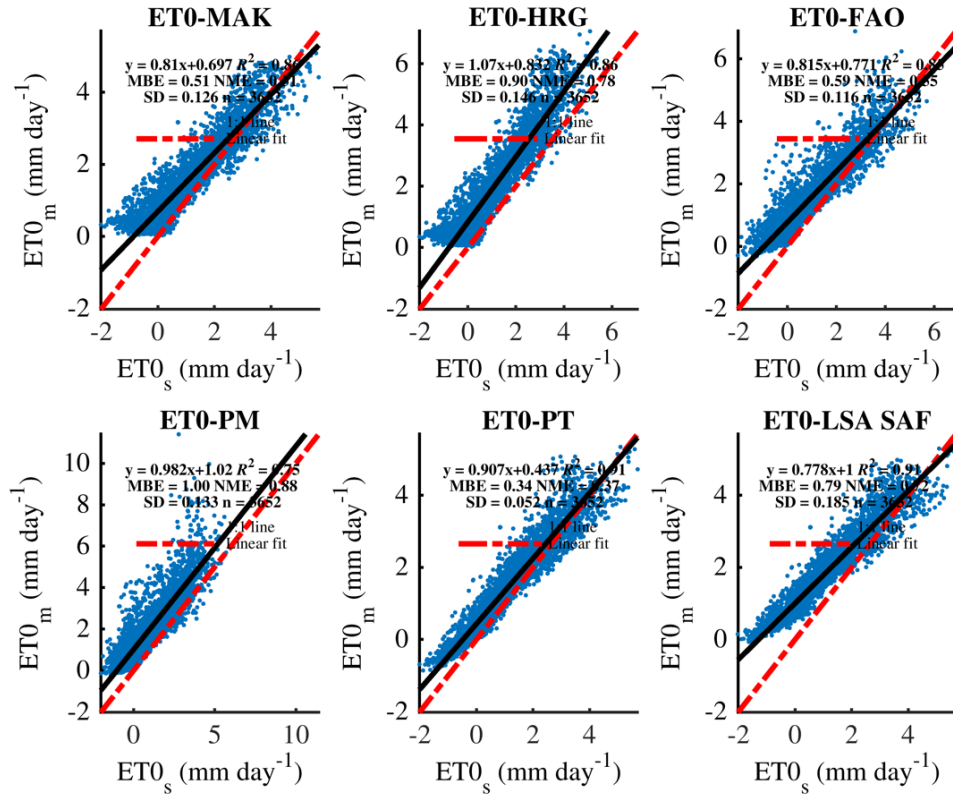


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S3.6 Lonze (BE-Lon) cropland site in Belgium



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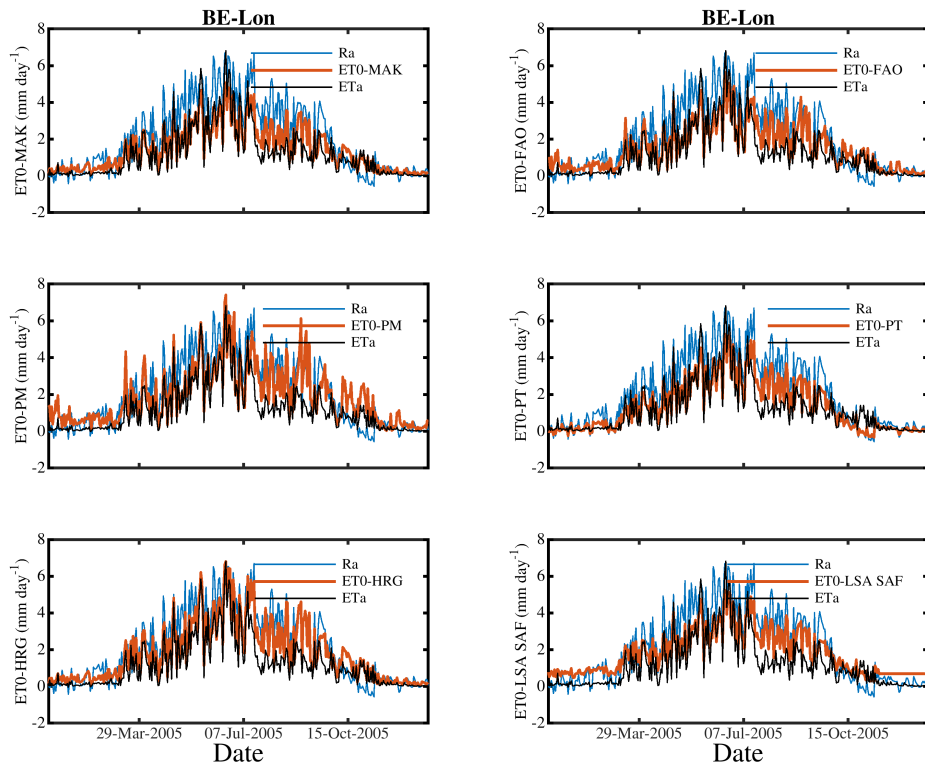
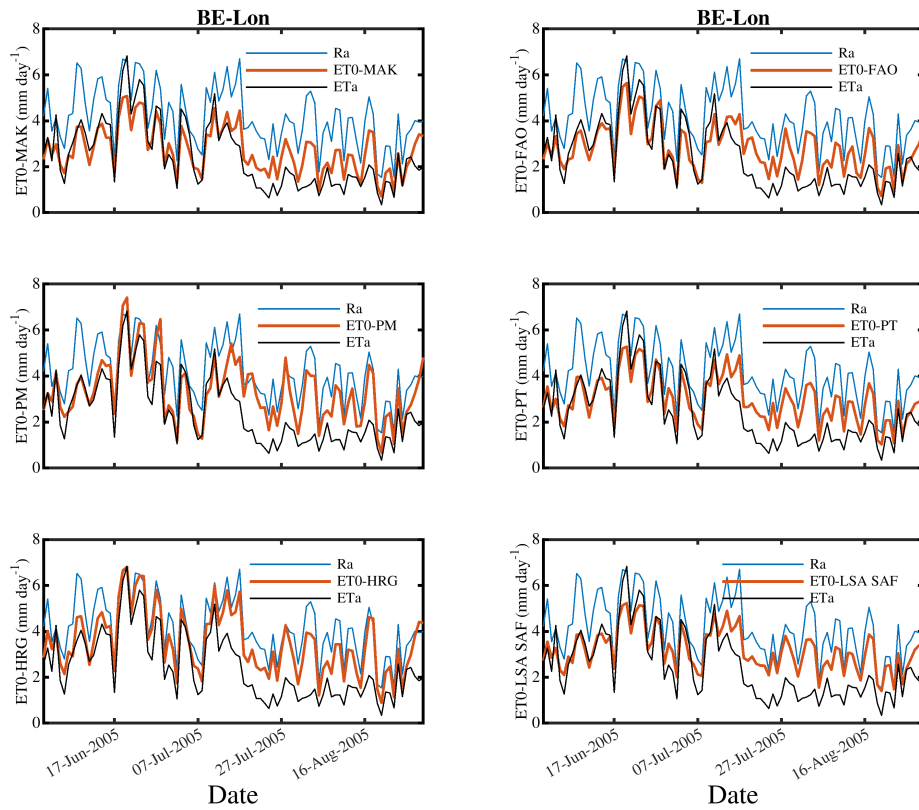


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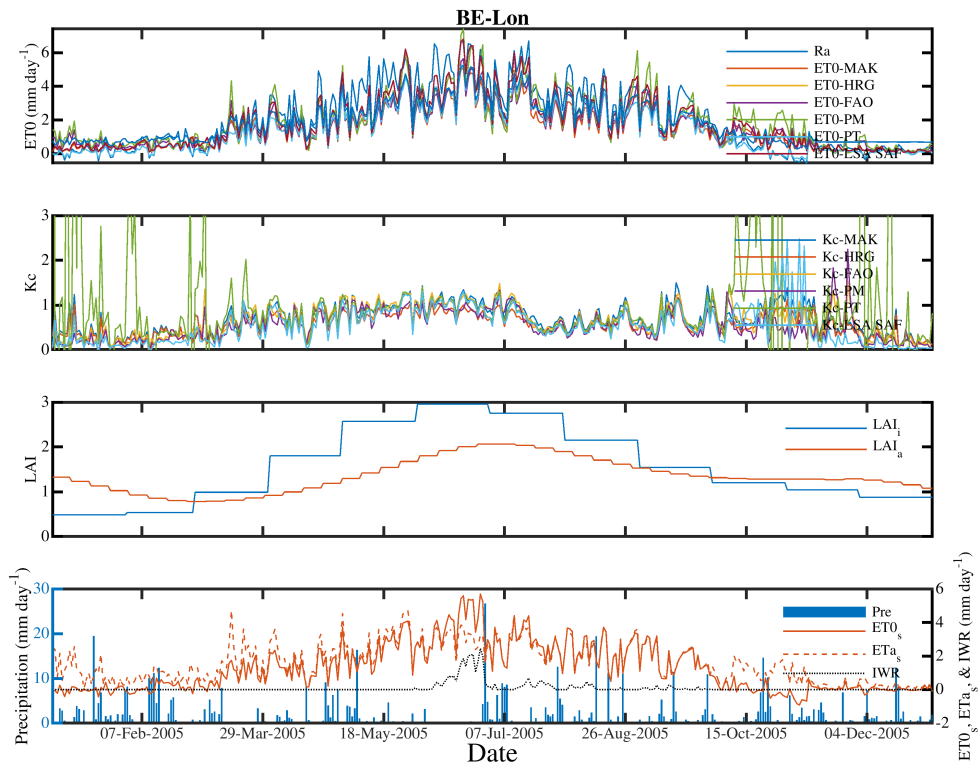


Figure S3.6.4 Same as Fig. 3.1.4 but at BE-Lon.

S4. Supplementary Tables.

Table S1 The vegetation types of the 170 sites.

Vegetation type	Number of sites
Closed Shrublands (SHR)	9
Croplands (CRO)	20
Deciduous Broadleaf Forests (DBF)	19
Evergreen Broadleaf Forest (EBF)	15
Evergreen Needleleaf Forests (ENF)	35
Grasslands (GRA)	34
Mixed Forests (MF)	15
Permanent Wetlands (WET)	9
Savannas (SAV)	14
Total	170

90 Table S2 Detail information of the 170 sites.

Site_name	Country	Vege_type	Lat	Lon	Alt (m)	Pre (mm a ⁻¹)
AR-SLu	Argentina	MF	-33.46	-66.46	500	352
AT-Neu	Austria	GRA	47.12	11.32	970	668
AU-ASM	Australia	ENF	-22.28	133.25	606	362
AU-Cow	Australia	EBF	-16.24	145.43	86	4058
AU-Cpr	Australia	SAV	-34.00	140.59	76	283
AU-Ctr	Australia	EBF	-16.10	145.45	66	4227
AU-Cum	Australia	EBF	-33.61	150.72	200	828
AU-DaP	Australia	GRA	-14.06	131.32	116	1367
AU-DaS	Australia	SAV	-14.16	131.39	108	1355
AU-Dry	Australia	SAV	-15.26	132.37	191	977
AU-Emr	Australia	GRA	-23.86	148.47	177	626
AU-GWW	Australia	SAV	-30.19	120.65	504	304
AU-Gin	Australia	SAV	-31.38	115.65	51	625
AU-How	Australia	SAV	-12.50	131.15	41	1648
AU-Lit	Australia	SAV	-13.18	130.79	200	1561
AU-Otw	Australia	GRA	-38.53	142.82	54	784
AU-Rig	Australia	GRA	-36.65	145.58	133	488
AU-Rob	Australia	EBF	-17.12	145.63	710	
AU-Sam	Australia	GRA	-27.39	152.88	170	1253
AU-Stp	Australia	GRA	-17.15	133.35	252	731
AU-TTE	Australia	SHR	-22.29	133.64	553	387
AU-Tum	Australia	EBF	-35.66	148.15	1200	1014
AU-Whr	Australia	EBF	-36.67	145.03	152	409
AU-Wrr	Australia	EBF	-43.10	146.65	100	1338
AU-Ync	Australia	GRA	-34.99	146.29	125	362
BE-Bra	Belgium	MF	51.31	4.52	16	776
BE-Lon	Belgium	CRO	50.55	4.75	167	768
BE-Vie	Belgium	MF	50.31	6.00	493	964
BR-Sa3	Brazil	EBF	-3.02	-54.97	100	1408
BW-Ma1	Botswana	SAV	-19.92	23.56	929	428

CA-NS1	Canada	ENF	55.88	-98.48	260	208
CA-NS2	Canada	ENF	55.91	-98.52	260	250
CA-NS4	Canada	ENF	55.91	-98.38	260	217
CA-NS5	Canada	ENF	55.86	-98.49	260	182
CA-NS6	Canada	SHR	55.92	-98.96	244	202
CA-NS7	Canada	SHR	56.64	-99.95	297	235
CA-Qcu	Canada	ENF	49.27	-74.04	392	928
CA-Qfo	Canada	ENF	49.69	-74.34	382	938
CA-SF1	Canada	ENF	54.49	-105.82	536	479
CA-SF2	Canada	ENF	54.25	-105.88	520	336
CA-SF3	Canada	SHR	54.09	-106.01	540	390
CH-Cha	Switzerland	GRA	47.21	8.41	393	1143
CH-Dav	Switzerland	ENF	46.82	9.86	1639	841
CH-Fru	Switzerland	GRA	47.12	8.54	982	1291
CH-Oe1	Switzerland	GRA	47.29	7.73	450	1221
CN-Cha	China	MF	42.40	128.10	754	466
CN-Cng	China	GRA	44.59	123.51	138	332
CN-Dan	China	GRA	30.50	91.07	4751	519
CN-Din	China	EBF	23.17	112.54	261	1372
CN-Du2	China	GRA	42.05	116.28	1331	285
CN-HaM	China	GRA	37.37	101.18	3975	583
CN-Qia	China	ENF	26.74	115.06	64	1169
CZ-wet	Czech Republic	WET	49.02	14.77	426	609
DE-Bay	Germany	ENF	50.14	11.87	781	1019
DE-Geb	Germany	CRO	51.10	10.91	161.5	531
DE-Gri	Germany	GRA	50.95	13.51	385	942
DE-Hai	Germany	DBF	51.08	10.45	430	761
DE-Kli	Germany	CRO	50.89	13.52	478	817
DE-Meh	Germany	MF	51.28	10.66	291	520
DE-Obe	Germany	ENF	50.79	13.72	734	1046
DE-Seh	Germany	CRO	50.87	6.45	103	527
DE-StN	Germany	WET	47.81	11.33	590	888

DE-Tha	Germany	ENF	50.96	13.57	380	851
DE-Wet	Germany	ENF	50.45	11.46	703	1021
DK-Fou	Germany	CRO	56.48	9.59	51	643
DK-Lva	Germany	GRA	55.68	12.08	-2493	1001
DK-Ris	Germany	CRO	55.53	12.10	24	481
DK-Sor	Germany	DBF	55.49	11.64	40	870
DK-ZaH	Germany	GRA	74.47	-20.55	38	147
ES-ES1	Spain	ENF	39.35	-0.32	1	559
ES-ES2	Spain	CRO	39.28	-0.32	7	578
ES-LMa	Spain	SAV	39.94	-5.77	278	691
ES-LgS	Spain	SHR	37.10	-2.97	2267	402
ES-VDA	Spain	GRA	42.15	1.45	1787	924
FI-Hyy	Finland	ENF	61.85	24.30	181	604
FI-Kaa	Finland	WET	69.14	27.30	159	485
FI-Lom	Finland	WET	68.00	24.21	274	535
FI-Sod	Finland	ENF	67.36	26.64	180	541
FR-Fon	France	DBF	48.48	2.78	103	671
FR-Gri	France	CRO	48.84	1.95	125	588
FR-Hes	France	DBF	48.67	7.07	293	960
FR-LBr	France	ENF	44.72	-0.77	61	962
FR-Lq1	France	GRA	45.64	2.74	1066	975
FR-Lq2	France	GRA	45.64	2.74	1081	975
FR-Pue	France	EBF	43.74	3.60	270	921
GF-Guy	French Guiana	EBF	5.28	-52.92	48	3108
HU-Bug	Hungary	GRA	46.69	19.60	106	530
ID-Pag	Indonesia	EBF	-2.32	113.90	30	2072
IE-Ca1	Ireland	CRO	52.86	-6.92	72	679
IE-Dri	Ireland	GRA	51.99	-8.75	186	1271
IT-Amp	Italy	GRA	41.90	13.61	991	853
IT-BCi	Italy	CRO	40.52	14.96	20	1228
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IT-CA2	Italy	CRO	42.38	12.03	200	720

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IT-MBo	Italy	GRA	46.01	11.05	1550	969
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IT-Noe	Italy	SHR	40.61	8.15	25	570
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IT-Ro2	Italy	DBF	42.39	11.92	160	855
IT-SR2	Italy	ENF	43.73	10.29	4	1329
IT-SRo	Italy	ENF	43.73	10.28	6	837
JP-SMF	Japan	MF	35.26	137.08	199	1579
NL-Ca1	Netherlands	GRA	51.97	4.93	1	688
NL-Hor	Netherlands	GRA	52.24	5.07	2	986
NL-Loo	Netherlands	ENF	52.17	5.74	25	849
PL-wet	Poland	WET	52.76	16.31	55	519
PT-Esp	Portugal	EBF	38.64	-8.60	90	611
PT-Mi1	Portugal	EBF	38.54	-8.00	230	244
PT-Mi2	Portugal	GRA	38.48	-8.02	193	633
RU-Che	Russia	WET	68.61	161.34	6	73
RU-Fyo	Russia	ENF	56.46	32.92	265	566
RU-Zot	Russia	SAV	60.80	89.35	124	251
SD-Dem	Sudan	SAV	13.28	30.48	500	285
SE-Deg	Sweden	GRA	64.18	19.56	270	456
UK-Gri	United Kingdom	ENF	56.61	-3.80	343	1213
UK-Ham	United Kingdom	DBF	51.15	-0.86	76	795
UK-PL3	United Kingdom	MF	51.45	-1.27	104	556

US-AR1	United States	GRA	36.43	-99.42	611	514
US-AR2	United States	GRA	36.64	-99.60	646	430
US-ARM	United States	CRO	36.61	-97.49	314	645
US-Aud	United States	GRA	31.59	-110.51	1466	337
US-Bar	United States	MF	44.06	-71.29	270	1444
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US-Me4	United States	ENF	44.50	-121.62	922	641
US-Me6	United States	ENF	44.32	-121.61	998	416
US-Myb	United States	WET	38.05	-121.77	-1	335
US-NR1	United States	ENF	40.03	-105.55	3050	726
US-Ne1	United States	CRO	41.17	-96.48	361	838
US-Ne2	United States	CRO	41.16	-96.47	362	860
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US-PFa	United States	MF	45.95	-90.27	470	606
US-Prr	United States	ENF	65.12	-147.49	210	250
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US-SRG	United States	GRA	31.79	-110.83	1291	371

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US-Tw4	United States	WET	38.10	-121.64	-5	387
US-Twt	United States	CRO	38.11	-121.65	-7	359
US-UMB	United States	DBF	45.56	-84.71	234	613
US-Var	United States	GRA	38.41	-120.95	129	563
US-WCr	United States	DBF	45.81	-90.08	520	751
US-Whs	United States	SHR	31.74	-110.05	1370	284
US-Wkg	United States	GRA	31.74	-109.94	1531	292
ZA-Kru	United States	SAV	-25.02	31.50	359	676
ZM-Mon	United States	DBF	-15.44	23.25	1053	681

Table S3. Median R², MBE, SD, and NME values for different PET formulas in representing ET0m and ET0s at 170 sites.

	ET0m vs ET0s			
	R ²	MBE	SD	NME
MAK	0.79	0.537	0.199	0.603
HRG	0.81	0.977	0.185	0.898
FAOPM	0.81	0.788	0.200	0.770
PM	0.69	1.438	0.454	1.266
PT	0.90	0.396	0.137	0.462
LSA SAF	0.89	0.801	0.204	0.732

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor
R ²	> 0.9	0.8- 0.9	0.6 - 0.8	< 0.6
MBE	< 0.5	0.5 - 1.0	1.0 - 1.5	> 1.5
SD	< 0.1	0.1 - 0.2	0.2 - 0.4	> 0.4
NME	< 0.5	0.5 - 1.0	1.0 - 1.5	> 1.5

Table S4. Median of R², MBE, SD and NME of different PET formulas for different vegetation types in representing ET_{0m} and ET_{0s}.

		ET _{0m} vs ET _{0s}						ET _{0m} vs ET _{0s}						ET _{0m} vs ET _{0s}			
		R ²	MBE	SD	NME			R ²	MBE	SD	NME			R ²	MBE	SD	NME
MAK	SHR	0.80	0.15	0.28	0.51	CRO	0.84	0.46	0.22	0.51	DBF	0.85	0.63	0.20	0.57		
HRG		0.82	0.60	0.25	0.47		0.84	0.96	0.14	0.74		0.87	1.12	0.23	0.92		
FAOPM		0.84	0.09	0.29	0.50		0.76	0.80	0.12	0.68		0.83	0.97	0.16	0.76		
PM		0.73	0.56	0.24	0.65		0.65	1.35	0.15	1.00		0.69	2.02	0.55	1.49		
PT		0.90	-0.12	0.23	0.40		0.93	0.20	0.11	0.32		0.91	0.72	0.15	0.58		
LSA_SAF		0.89	0.30	0.33	0.52		0.92	0.69	0.23	0.52		0.90	1.01	0.12	0.76		
MAK	EBF	0.85	0.26	0.21	0.47	ENF	0.78	0.74	0.12	0.75	GRA	0.76	0.76	0.20	0.74		
HRG		0.86	1.01	0.19	0.98		0.77	0.98	0.24	1.01		0.75	1.13	0.21	0.99		
FAOPM		0.84	0.45	0.14	0.58		0.79	1.08	0.25	1.10		0.75	0.72	0.22	0.97		
PM		0.71	1.51	0.50	1.19		0.68	1.96	0.76	1.86		0.70	1.01	0.32	1.05		
PT		0.88	0.52	0.13	0.61		0.87	0.80	0.37	0.84		0.88	0.34	0.11	0.45		
LSA_SAF		0.89	0.68	0.15	0.68		0.87	1.15	0.21	1.18		0.85	0.78	0.19	0.73		
MAK	MF	0.83	0.58	0.21	0.56	WET	0.84	0.04	0.28	0.54	SAV	0.76	-0.26	0.30	0.69		
HRG		0.84	0.87	0.09	0.83		0.86	0.38	0.08	0.43		0.76	0.64	0.13	0.62		
FAOPM		0.84	0.86	0.10	0.81		0.83	0.28	0.19	0.41		0.84	-0.18	0.37	1.22		
PM		0.72	1.63	0.45	1.63		0.78	0.59	0.09	0.59		0.76	0.02	0.56	2.09		
PT		0.93	0.29	0.07	0.34		0.93	-0.01	0.22	0.35		0.92	-0.18	0.08	0.44		
LSA_SAF		0.93	0.79	0.18	0.64		0.93	0.47	0.40	0.57		0.90	-0.11	0.13	0.55		

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		Excellent	Good	Average	Poor
R ²	> 0.9	0.8- 0.9	0.6 - 0.8	< 0.6	
MBE	< 0.5	0.5 - 1.0	1.0 - 1.5	> 1.5	
SD	< 0.1	0.1 - 0.2	0.2 - 0.4	> 0.4	
NME	< 0.5	0.5 - 1.0	1.0 - 1.5	> 1.5	