

Response to Comment CC1

Title: Long-term measurement of ozone concentrations in semi-natural African ecosystems

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The authors would like to thank Erika von Schneidemesser for its relevant and helpful comments to improve the manuscript and give more informations about passive samplers monitoring.

Comment 1 : Table 2: It would be more helpful if instead of the absolute numbers listed for data collection efficiency, a % was given, plus the n-value for total samples. This makes it more comparable across sites regardless of the n-value.

We will propose in the review process to include in the manuscript a modified table 2 as follow:

Ecosystem	Station	Sampling period	Detection limit (ppb)	Data collection efficiency (%)	Total of samplers	Season	Measurement altitude (m)
Dry savanna	Ba	2000-2020	0.1	93.5	248	Dry season: Oct-May Wet season: Jun-Sep	1.5
	Ka	2001-2020		86.7	240		
	Ag	2005-2018		82.6	132		
	Bb	2016-2020		94	50		
	Da	2012-2020		83.7	104		
Wet savanna	La	2001-2020		94.2	240	Dry season: Nov-Mar Wet season: Apr-Oct	1.5
	Dj	2005-2020		92.5	186		
Forest	Zo	2001-2020		86.7	240	Dry season: Dec-Fev and July-Aug Wet season: Mar-Jun and Sept-Nov	3
	Bo	2001-2020		68.3	240		
Agricultural field	Mb	2017-2020		95.3	43	Dry season: Jun-Oct and Jan-Fev Wet season: Mar-May and Nov-Dec	1.5
Regional savanna/semi-arid	LT	1995-2015	95.2	248	Dry season: Apr-Sep Wet season: Oct-Mar	1.5	
	Sk	2000-2015	86	192			
	Af	1997-2015	85.5	221			
	CP	1995-2020	90.7	248	Dry season: Oct-Mar Wet season: Apr-Sep		

Comment 2 : section 2.2. while the method for passive ozone sampling is well established, it would still be important to include text on the number of blanks that were evaluated and if/how any blank correction was done. Also, while monthly is mentioned, it is not explicit if the samples were all monthly and did this correspond to calendar months or were there different start and end dates for sampling rather than the first of the month - last day of the month? Finally, were these sampling times coordinated across the sites or did they vary?

We will add mentions in the revised text section 2.2 to answer the comment including these informations:

Sampling periods at the measurement sites were coordinated and passive samplers are exposed on a monthly basis using the calendar months. One blank dedicated to ozone is included in the expedition of samplers each two months on sites. In this way, the delay between field deployment and analysis are the same both blanks and exposed samples. All data presented in this paper are blank corrected.