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10 **Table S1.** Total global aircraft emissions corresponding to the baseline REACT4C_2006 and QUANTIFY_2000 inventories and comparison with ACCRI_2006 (AEDT) (Brasseur et al., 2016) and CEDS_2006 (Hoesly et al., 2018) inventories.

Emission	Units	REACT4C_2006	QUANTIFY_2000	ACCRI_2006	CEDS_2006
CO ₂	Tg yr ⁻¹	560	672	594	715
NO ₂	TgN yr ⁻¹	0.71	0.84	0.81	0.88
BC	Gg yr ⁻¹	4.0	5.0	5.96	6.0
SO _x	GgS yr ⁻¹	73	88	113	110

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20 **Table S2.** Total global aircraft emissions corresponding to 2050 QUANTIFY_A1B, QUANTIFY_B1 and QUANTIFY_B1_ACARE inventories and comparison with ACCRI_2050_Base, ACCRI_2050_S1 (AEDT) (Brasseur et al., 2016) and SSP3.70 and SSP1.26 (Gidden et al., 2019) inventories.

Units	A1	B1	B1_ACARE	SSP3.70	SSP1.26	ACCRI_2050-Base	ACCRI_2050-S1
CO ₂	Tg yr ⁻¹	2257	1367	986	1301	421	2852
NO ₂	TgN yr ⁻¹	3.3	1.0	0.69	1.76	0.87	3.95
BC	Gg yr ⁻¹	16	8.9	6.4	19.7	10.3	29.0
SO _x	GgS yr ⁻¹	289	175	124	257	141	541

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Table S3. Radiative forcing of ozone (F_{O₃}), methane total forcing (F_{CH₄}) and total of the two forcings calculated for the different simulations (mW/m²). The radiative forcing of methane is calculated based on Etminan et al. (2016) (F_{CH₄}) or on Myhre et al. (1998) (F_{CH₄old}).

Scenario	F _{O₃}	F _{CH₄}	Total	F _{CH₄old}	Total ^{old}
REACT4C_2006	15.87	-14.69	1.18	-12.61	3.26
REACT4C_2006 NOx Only	15.90	-14.72	1.19	-12.63	3.27
QUANTIFY_2000	17.19	-16.69	0.50	-14.32	2.87
REACT4C_PLUS	17.72	-14.80	2.92	-12.71	5.01
REACT4C_MINUS	14.28	-14.68	-0.40	-12.60	1.68
QUANTIFY_A1	70.56	-70.84	-0.28	-60.86	9.70
QUANTIFY_A1_LowNOx	39.29	-39.45	-0.16	-33.91	5.38
QUANTIFY_A1_Desulfurized	70.08	-70.65	-0.57	-60.69	9.39
QUANTIFY_B1	27.57	-26.43	1.14	-22.73	4.84
QUANTIFY_B1_ACARE	18.74	-17.90	0.84	-15.40	3.34

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Table S4. Factors governing the climate impact of aviation NO_x emissions and comparison with previous factor decompositions. The decomposition of the NO_x forcing F_{NO_x}, following the methodology proposed by Holmes et al. (2011), is given by:

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$$F = F_{O_3} + F_{CH_4}$$

where :

$$40 \quad F_{O_3} = \left(\frac{\partial [O_3]}{\partial E} \right) \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial [O_3]} \right)$$

and

$$45 \quad F_{CH_4} = q_{CH_4} f \left(\frac{\partial L_{CH_4}}{\partial E} \right) \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial q_{CH_4}} + \frac{\partial [O_3]}{\partial q_{CH_4}} \frac{\partial F}{\partial [O_3]} + \frac{\partial [H_2O]}{\partial q_{CH_4}} \frac{\partial F}{\partial [H_2O]} + \frac{\partial q_{CO_2}}{\partial q_{CH_4}} \frac{\partial F}{\partial q_{CO_2}} \right)$$

and where [O₃] is the tropospheric ozone burden (DU), [H₂O] the stratospheric water vapor burden (Tg), E the aircraft NO_x emissions (TgN), q_{CH₄} the methane mixing ratio (ppmv), q_{CO₂} the carbon dioxide mixing ratio (ppmv), and L_{CH₄} the methane loss rate through reaction with OH.

50 The NO_x forcing is extended in order to include the forcings involving aerosols:

$$F = F_{O_3} + F_{CH_4-OH} + F_{CH_4-O_3} + F_{CH_4-SWV} + F_{CH_4-CO_2} + F_{SO_4} + F_{NO_3}$$

55 where F_{CH₄-OH}, F_{CH₄-O₃}, F_{CH₄-SWV}, and F_{CH₄-CO₂} are the methane forcing individual components, F_{SO₄} the forcing associated with sulfate particles and F_{NO₃} the forcing associated with nitrate particles. The NO_x forcing components, normalized by the NO_x emissions, for the REACT4C_2006_NOx_Only simulation and based on **Table 3** are also provided in the Table. The methane forcing F_{CH₄-OH} is calculated based on Etminan et al. (2016) or on Myhre et al. (1998) (under parenthesis).

	Holmes et al. (2011)	Lee et al. (2021)	This work
$\partial [O_3]/\partial E$ [DU/TgN]	0.6±0.15		0.60
$\partial F/\partial [O_3]$ [mW/m ² /DU]	36±8		37.3
$\partial L_{CH_4}/\partial E$ [%/TgN]	-1.7±0.35		-1.4
$\partial [O_3]/\partial q_{CH_4}$ [DU/ppmv]	3.5±1.0		3.5
$\partial [H_2O]/\partial q_{CH_4}$ [Tg/ppmv]			87.6
$\partial q_{CO_2}/\partial q_{CH_4}$ [ppmv/ppmv]			0.6
$\partial F/\partial q_{CH_4}$ [mW/m ² /ppmv]	370		454.1 (368.3)
$\partial F/\partial [O_3]$ [mW/m ² /DU]	36±8		33.2
$\partial F/\partial [H_2O]$ [mW/m ² /Tg]			0.26
$\partial F/\partial q_{CO_2}$ [mW/m ² /ppmv]			13.7
F _{O₃} (mW/m ² /TgN)	21.6±7.2	25.1±7.2	22.3
F _{CH₄-OH} (mW/m ² /TgN)	-15.7±3.6	-13.4±4.5	-15.5 (-12.6)
F _{CH₄-O₃} (mW/m ² /TgN)	-5.3±2.2	-6.7±2.3	-3.98
F _{CH₄-swv} (mW/m ² /TgN)	-	-2.0±0.7	-0.92
F _{CH₄-CO₂} (mW/m ² /TgN)	-	-	-0.28
F _{SO₄} (mW/m ² /TgN)	-	-	-2.81
F _{NO₃} (mW/m ² /TgN)	-	-	-0.17
Total (F _{O₃} + F _{CH₄-OH} + F _{CH₄-O₃})	0.6±8.3	5.0±8.8	2.9 (2.0)
Total (F _{O₃} + F _{CH₄-OH} + F _{CH₄-O₃} + F _{CH₄-swv})	-	4.0±5.8	1.9 (4.9)
Total (all)	-	-	-1.3 (1.6)

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Table S5. Radiative forcing of ozone (F_{O_3}), methane total forcing (F_{CH_4}) and total of the two forcings calculated for the different simulations (mW/m^2). The radiative forcing of methane is calculated without (F_{CH_4}) or with a transient correction factor ($F_{CH_4}^{tr}$).

Scenario	F_{O_3}	F_{CH_4}	Total	$F_{CH_4}^{tr}$	Total ^{tr}
REACT4C_2006	15.87	-14.69	1.18	-11.02	4.85
REACT4C_2006 NOx Only	15.90	-14.72	1.19	-11.04	4.86
QUANTIFY_2000	17.19	-16.69	0.50	-12.18	5.01
REACT4C_PLUS	17.72	-14.80	2.92	-11.10	6.62
REACT4C_MINUS	14.28	-14.68	-0.40	-11.01	3.27
QUANTIFY_A1	70.56	-70.84	-0.28	-52.42	18.14
QUANTIFY_A1_LowNOx	39.29	-39.45	-0.16	-29.16	10.10
QUANTIFY_A1_Desulfurized	70.08	-70.65	-0.57	-52.28	17.80
QUANTIFY_B1	27.57	-26.43	1.14	-26.43	1.14
QUANTIFY_B1_ACARE	18.74	-17.90	0.84	-20.58	-1.84

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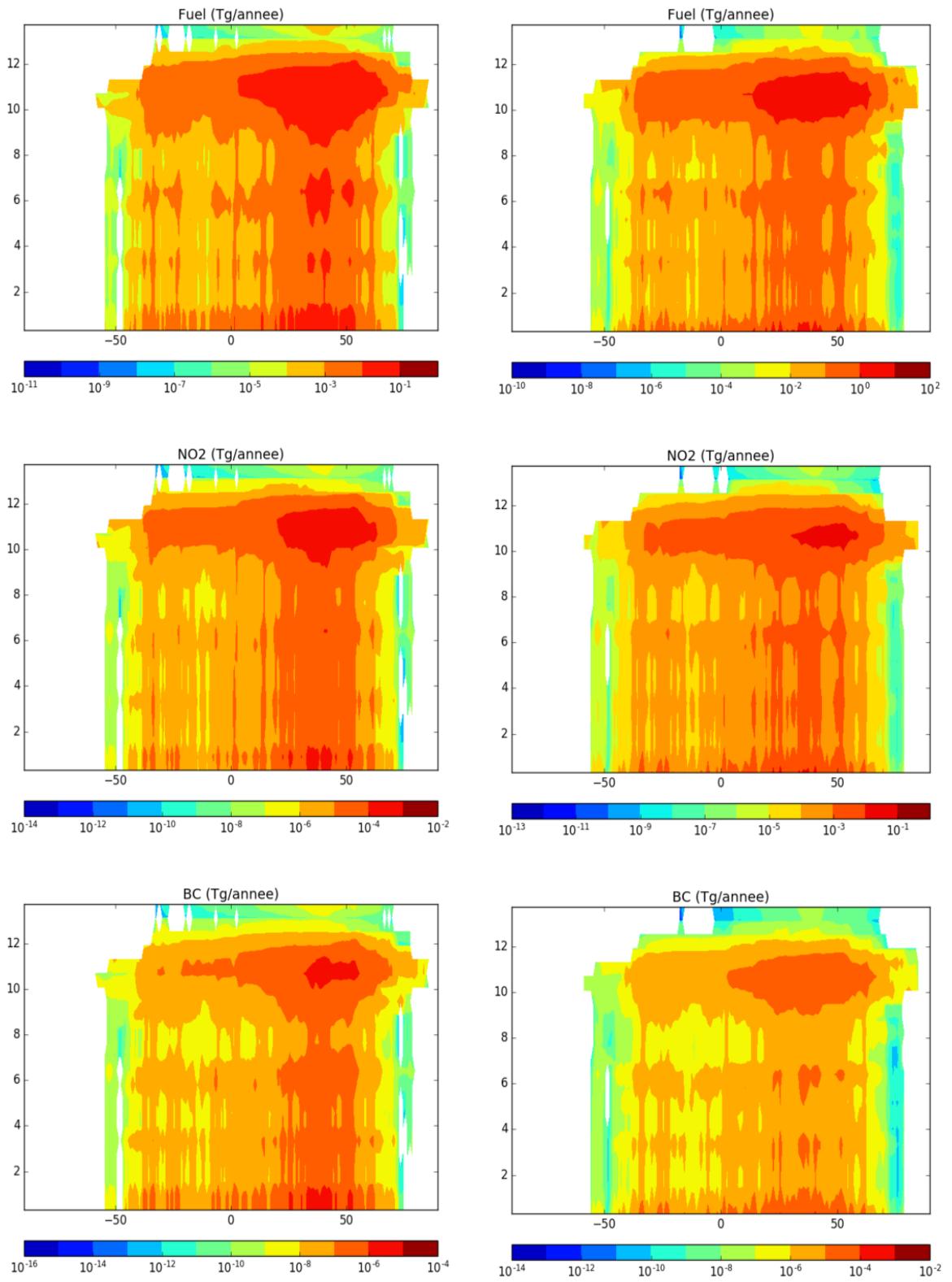


Figure S1. Zonal and annual mean fuel consumption (top row), NO₂ (middle row) and BC (bottom row) emissions for the REACT4C_2006 (left) and QUANTIFY_A1_2050 inventories (Tg/gridcell/yr). Please note the different color scales for the “present” and “future” inventories.

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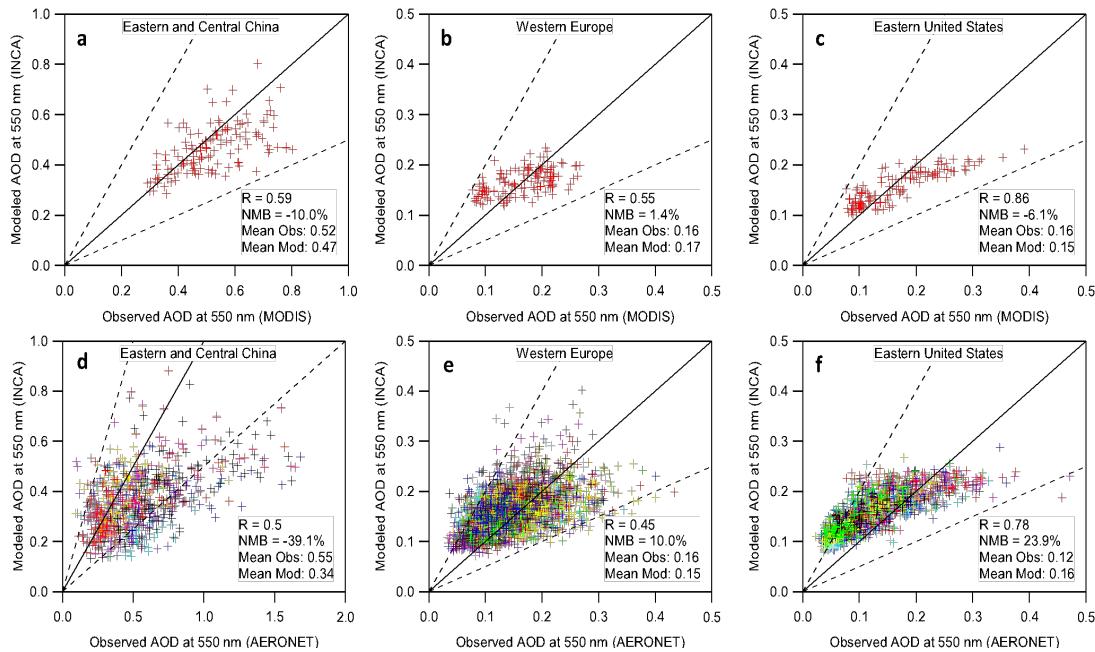
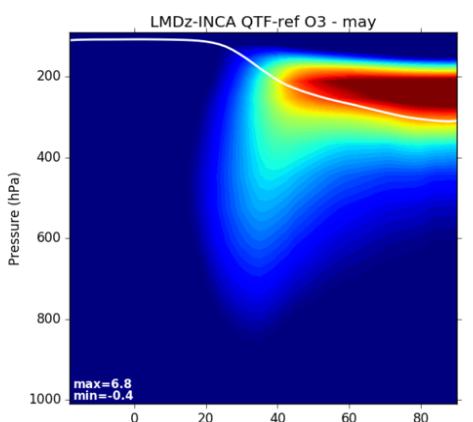
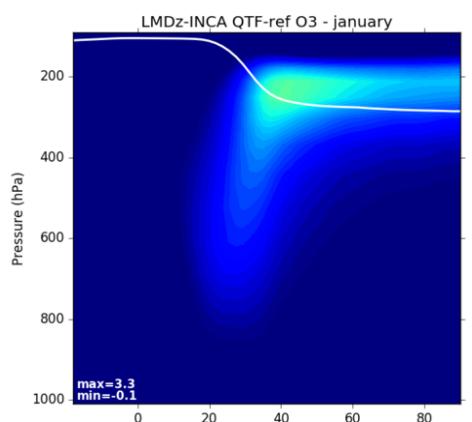
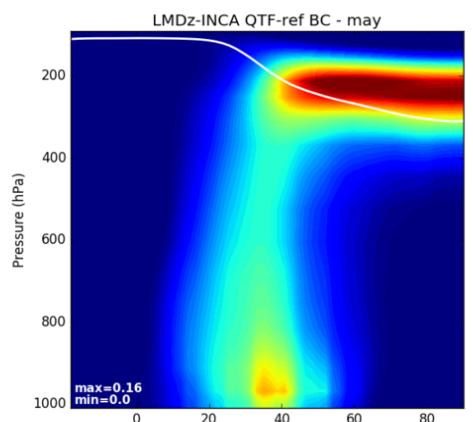
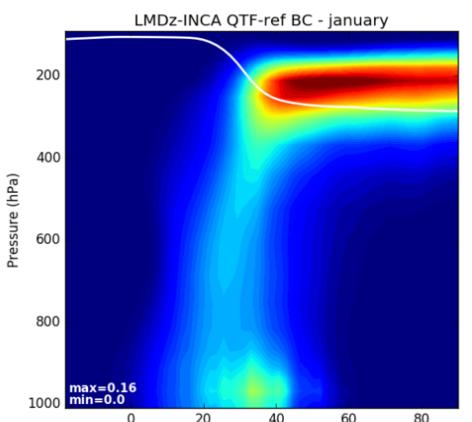


Figure S2. Simulated total aerosol optical depth at 550 nm for the year 2007-2017 compared to the MODIS data (top row) and the AERONET data worldwide (all available stations in different colors), over Eastern and Central China, Western Europe, , and the Eastern United States. Please note the different scale for the Eastern and Central China region. Dashed lines indicate 1:2 and 2:1 ratios.

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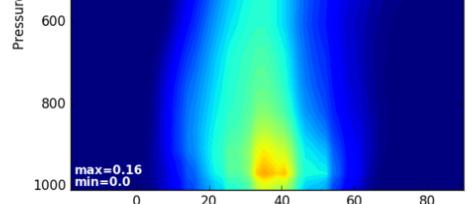
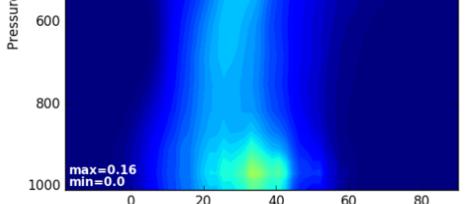


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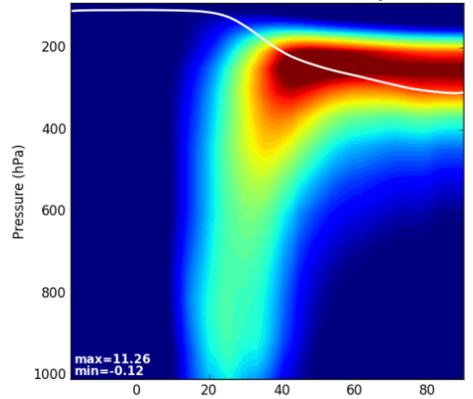
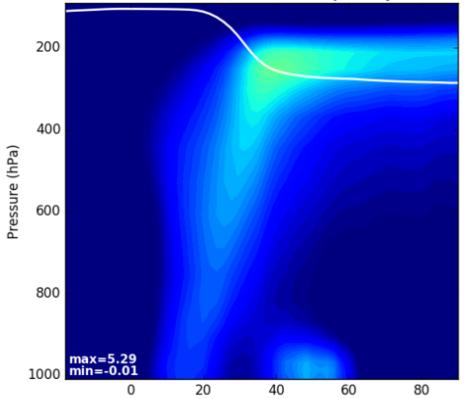
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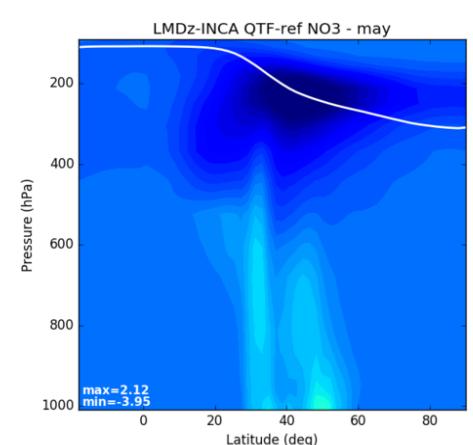
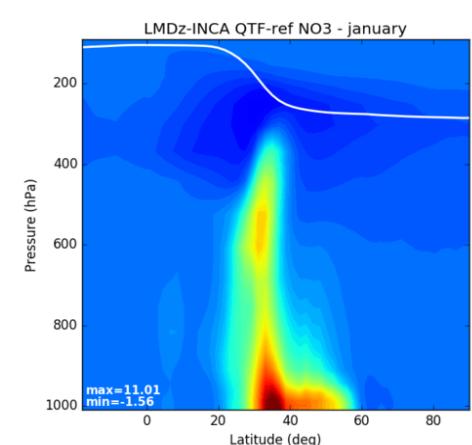
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Figure S3. Zonal mean perturbation due to aircraft emissions for January (left) and May (right) of O₃ (ppbv), BC (ng/m³), SO₄ (ng/m³) and NO₃ (ng/m³) for the QUANTIFY_2000 inventory. The solid line represents the tropopause pressure.