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Scenario-driven ozone projections and associated impact on mortality over Africa with an integrated machine learning framework

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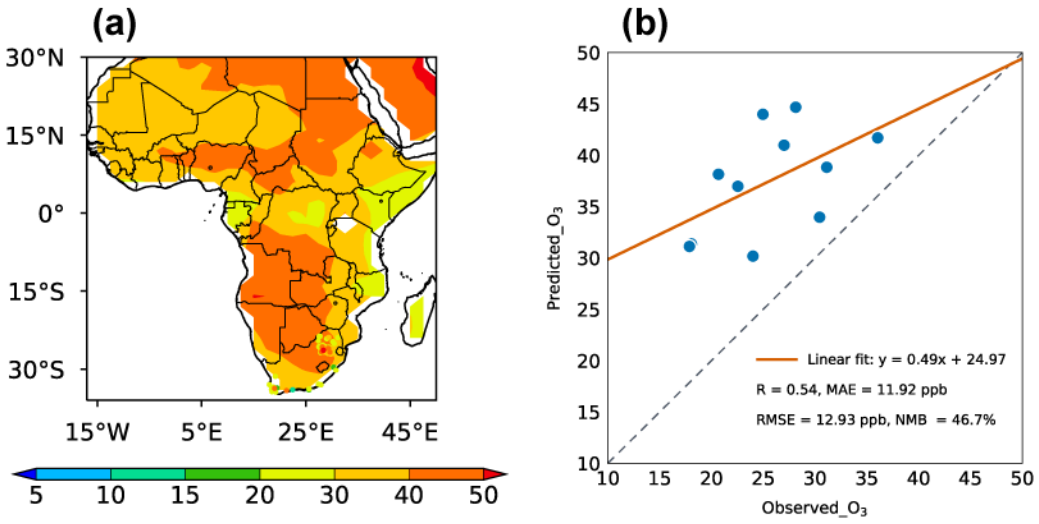


Figure S1. Evaluation of RF-predicted near-surface O_3 concentrations against observations from the South African Air Quality Information System (SAAQIS) during 2020–2025. (a) Spatial distribution of RF-predicted O_3 concentrations (ppb), averaged across the four SSP scenarios, with observations from 94 monitoring sites overlaid. Sites with valid observations for at least three years during 2020–2025 are included. (b) Comparison between RF-predicted and observed O_3 concentrations after averaging station observations within each 2° × 2.5° model grid cell (N = 11). The grey dashed line denotes the 1:1 line and the orange line denotes the least-squares regression fit.

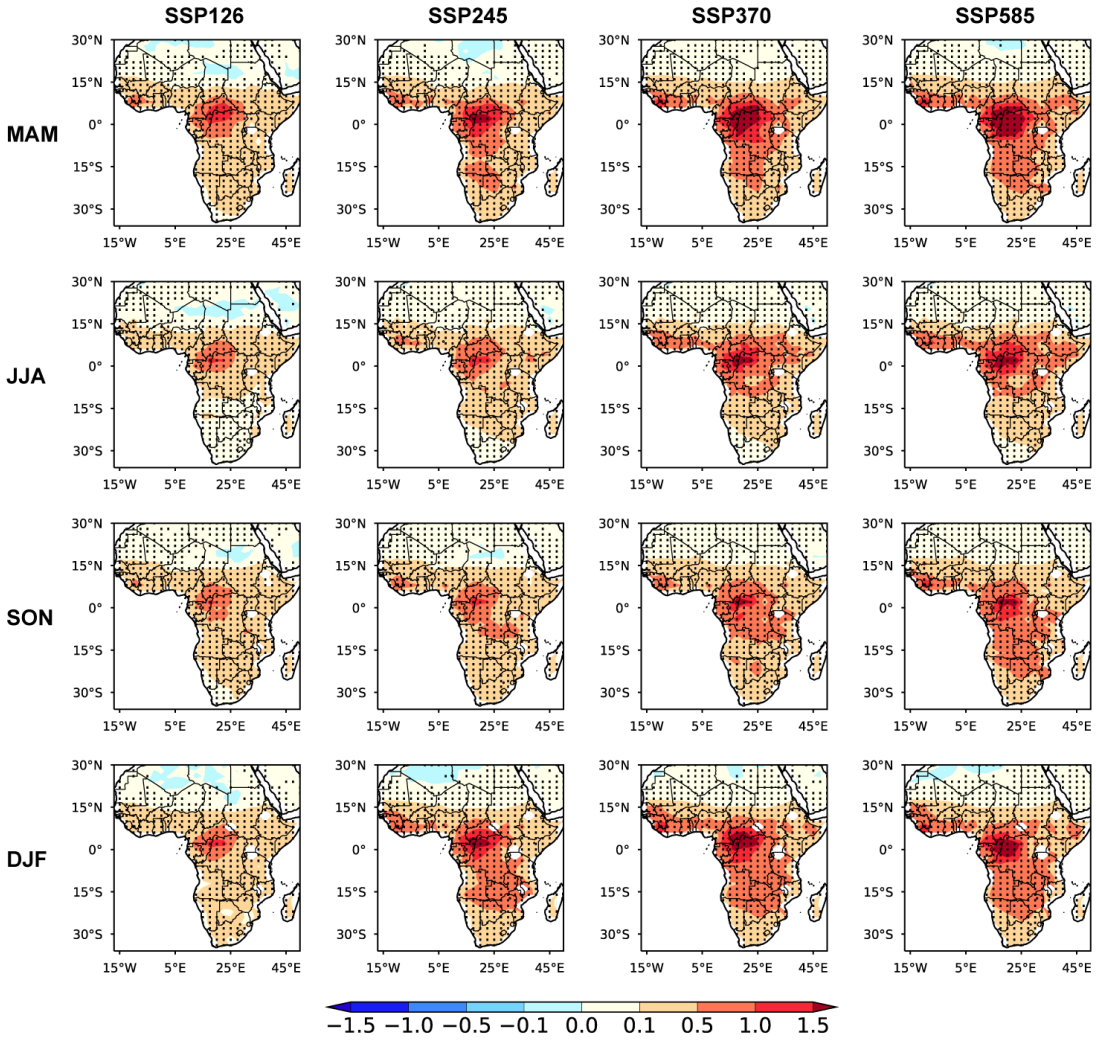


Figure S2. Spatial distributions of differences in climate-driven biogenic isoprene emissions (g m^{-2} yr^{-1}) between 2050–2054 and 2020–2024 over Africa under four scenarios (SSP1-2.6, SSP2-4.5, SSP3-7.0 and SSP5-8.5, from left to right) averaged in MAM (March–April–May), JJA (June–July–August), SON (September–October–November), and DJF (December–January–February) (from top to bottom). The shaded areas indicate that the differences are statistically significant at the 90% confidence level.

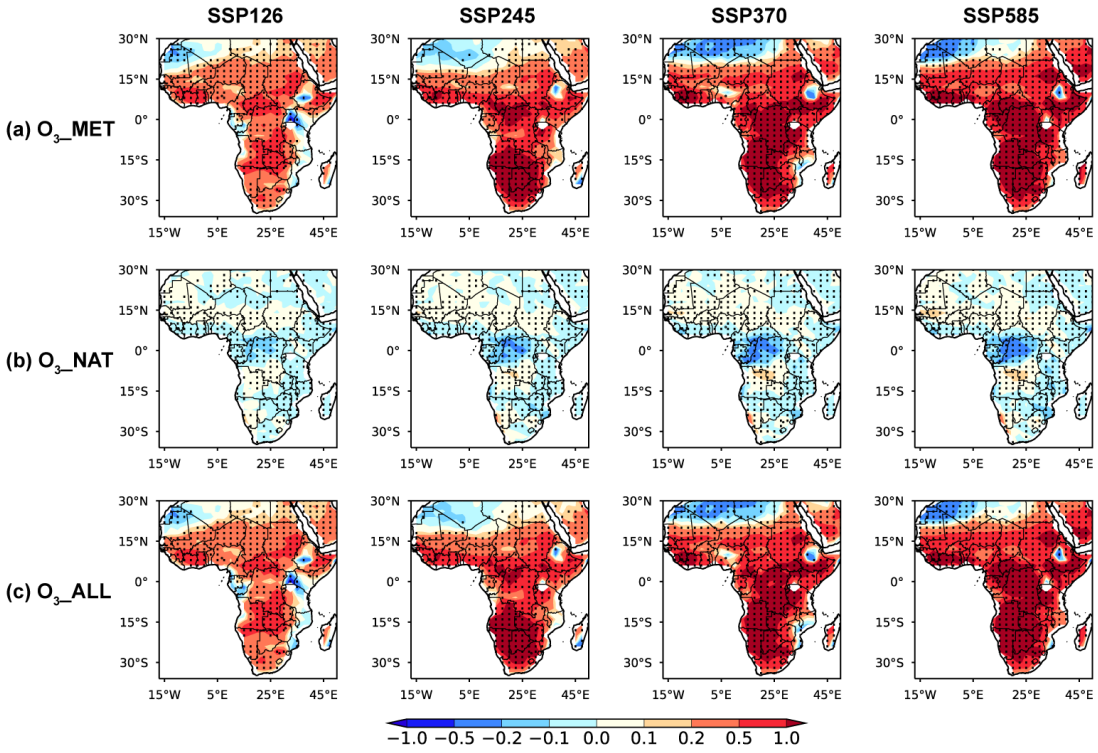
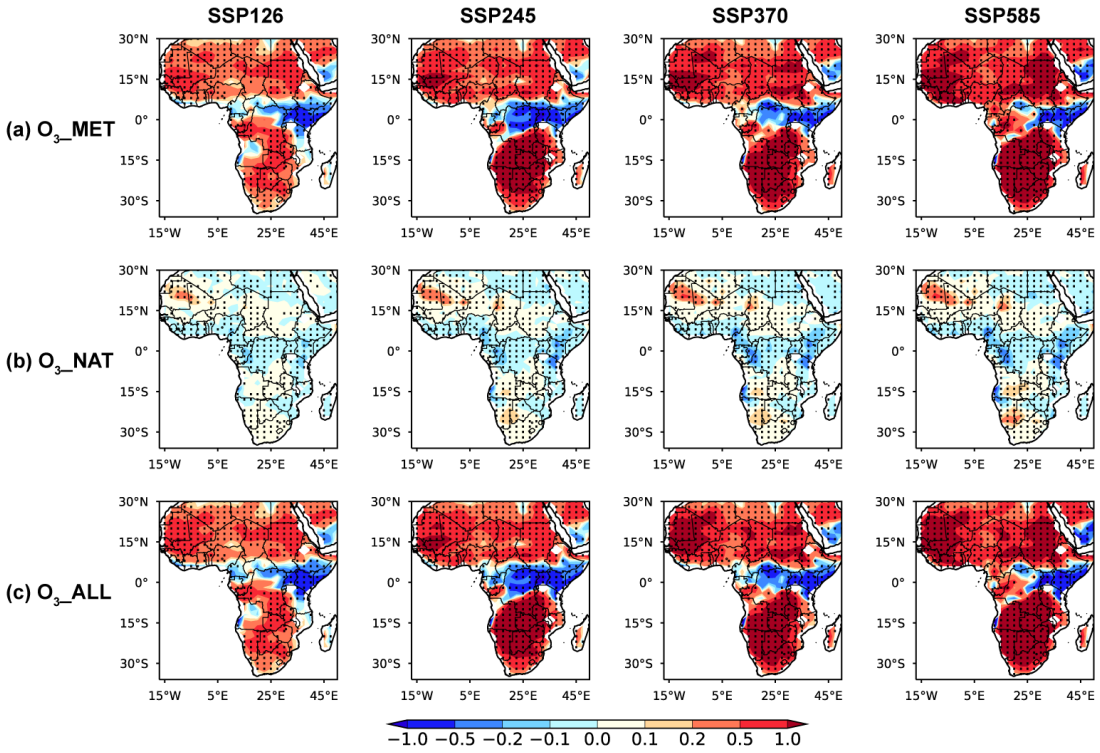


Figure S3. Spatial distributions of differences in RF-predicted near-surface O_3 concentrations (ppb) over Africa in response to (a) changes in meteorological fields (O_3_MET), (b) changes in biogenic isoprene emissions (O_3_NAT), and (c) both of them (O_3_ALL) averaged in MAM between 2050–2054 and 2020–2024 under SSP1-2.6, SSP2-4.5, SSP3-7.0 and SSP5-8.5 scenarios. The shaded areas indicate that the differences are statistically significant at the 90% confidence level.



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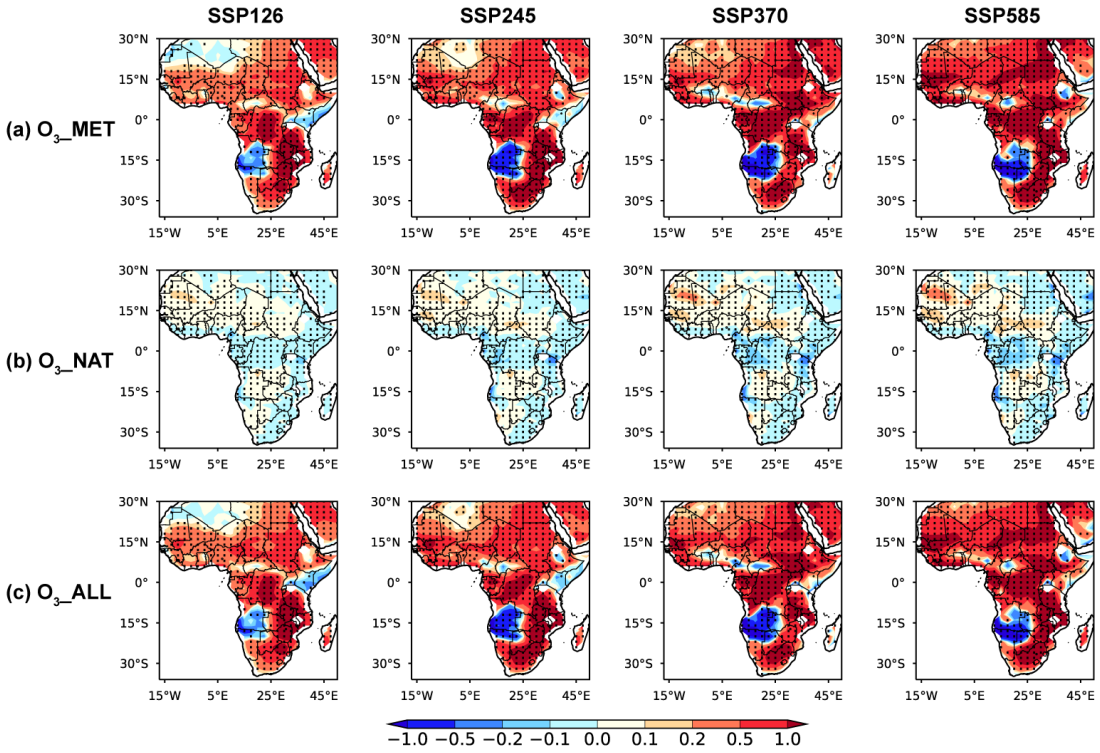
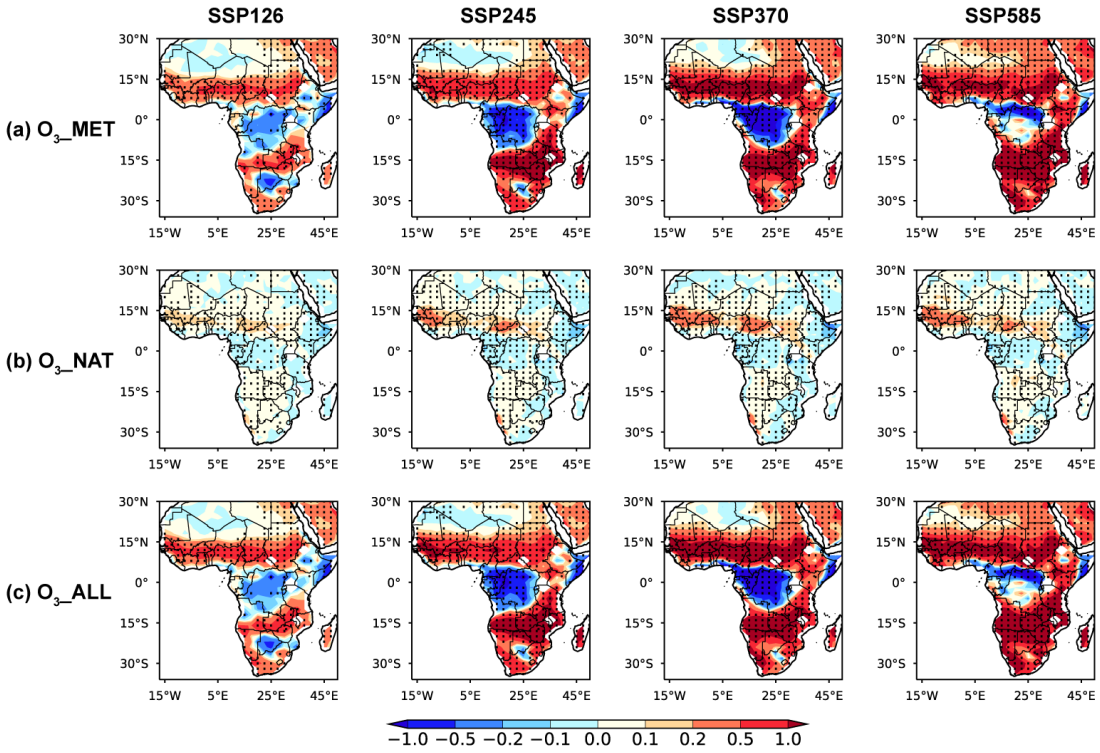


Figure S5. Same as Fig. S3, but for SON.



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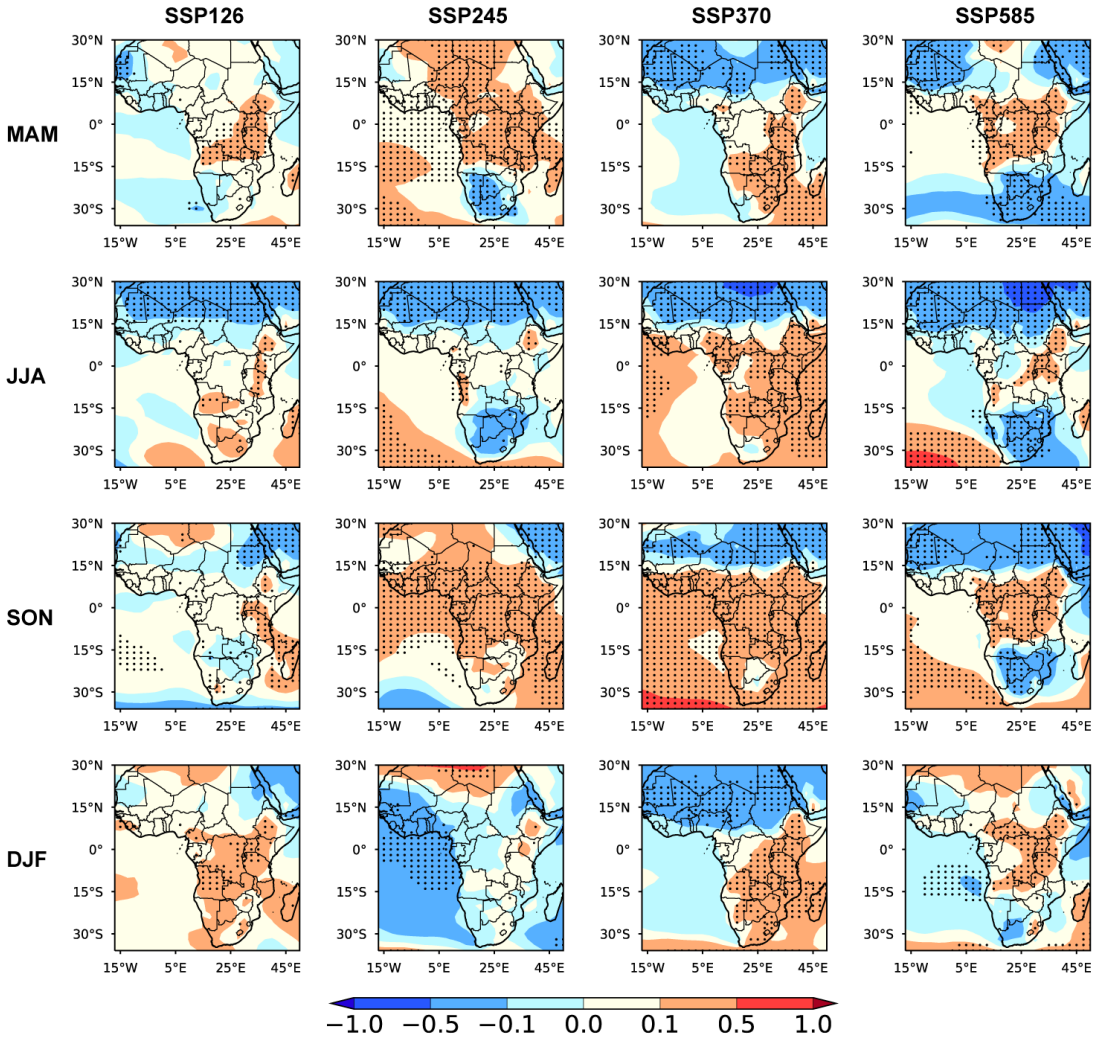

Figure S7. Spatial distributions of differences in the CMIP6 multi-model seasonal averaged (MAM, JJA, SON and DJF, from top to bottom) sea level pressure (SLP, hPa) between 2050–2054 and 2020–2024 over Africa under four scenarios (SSP1-2.6, SSP2-4.5, SSP3-7.0 and SSP5-8.5, from left to right) The shaded areas indicate that the differences are statistically significant at the 90% confidence level.

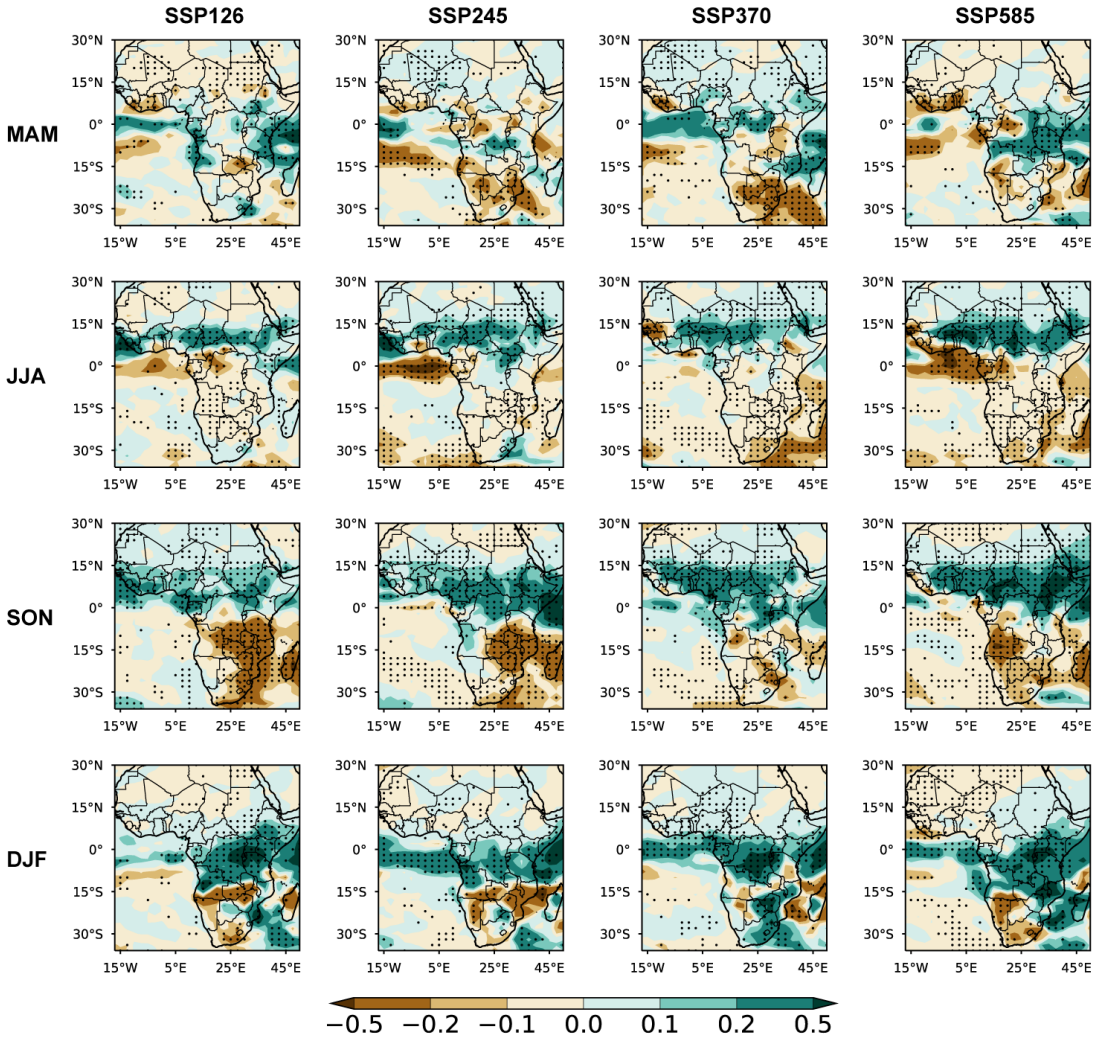

Figure S8. Same as Fig. S7, but for precipitation (PRECP, mm day^{-1}).