

***Interactive comment on “Evaluation of cloud fraction and its radiative effect simulated by IPCC AR4 global models against ARM surface observations” by Y. Qian et al.***

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