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## **Sensitivity of nitrate aerosols to ammonia emissions and to nitrate chemistry: implications for present and future nitrate optical depth**

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Table S1: Heterogeneous reactions and uptake coefficients used in AM3N

	Aerosol	$\gamma$	Reference
$\gamma_{\text{HO}_2}$	all aerosol	1	Mao et al. (2013)
$\gamma_{\text{NO}_2}$	fine aerosol <sup>a</sup>	$10^{-5}$	Wong et al. (2011)
$\gamma_{\text{NO}_3}$	fine aerosol <sup>a</sup>	$10^{-3}$	Jacob (2000)
$\gamma_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_5}$	fine aerosol <sup>a</sup>	$10^{-2}$	Macintyre and Evans (2010)
$\gamma_{\text{NO}_3}$	dust <sup>b</sup>	0.012	Crowley et al. (2010)
$\gamma_{\text{N}_2\text{O}_5}$	dust <sup>b</sup>	0.013	Crowley et al. (2010)
$\gamma_{\text{SO}_2}$	dust	$10^{-4}$	Ullerstam et al. (2002, 2003)
$\gamma_{\text{HNO}_3}$	dust <sup>b</sup>	$\frac{8RH}{30(1-RH)(1+7RH)}$ for $\text{RH} < 73\%$ 0.118 for $\text{RH} \geq 73\%$	Vlasenko et al. (2006)

<sup>a</sup> excludes seasalt and dust (including nitrate and sulfate on dust)

<sup>b</sup> if alkalinity is available

Table S2: Present-day budget of SO<sub>4</sub>, NH<sub>x</sub>, and NO<sub>y</sub> in AM3 and AM3N

	AM3	AM3N	AM3N_fdep_diu	AM3N_diu	AM3N_fdep	AM3N_ns	AM3N_nhet	AM3N_ndust
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>a</sup>								
Production (TgS/yr)	37.3	33.1	33.9	33.3	33.8	33.3	34.0	32.5
OH	10.4	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	8.0	9.1
H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	26.7	16.2	15.9	16.0	16.1	16.3	15.9	16.5
O <sub>3</sub>	0.1	4.5	5.6	4.8	5.2	4.5	5.5	3.9
dust	0.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	0.0
Loss (TgS/yr)	37.4	33.3	34.0	33.4	33.9	33.4	34.1	32.6
Dry deposition	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.0
SO <sub>4</sub>	4.7	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.9	4.0
SO <sub>4</sub> on dust	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.0
Wet deposition	32.7	28.7	29.3	28.8	29.2	28.8	29.4	28.6
SO <sub>4</sub>	32.7	27.5	28.2	27.6	28.1	27.6	28.3	28.6
SO <sub>4</sub> on dust	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.0
Lifetime (days)	4.9	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.3
NH <sub>x</sub>								
NH <sub>3</sub> emission (TgN/yr)	54.5	54.5	54.5	54.5	54.5	53.7	54.5	54.5
Loss (TgN/yr)	54.8	55.0	54.8	54.8	55.0	54.2	55.0	55.0
Dry deposition	14.4	23.5	21.3	21.0	23.8	23.2	23.7	23.3
Wet deposition	40.4	30.7	32.6	32.9	30.4	30.3	30.5	31.0
Gas oxidation	0.0	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7
Lifetime (days)	5.5	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6
NO <sub>y</sub>								
NO emission (TgN/yr)	51.4	51.8	51.8	51.7	51.7	51.8	51.8	51.8
Loss (TgN/yr)	51.3	51.0	51.2	51.0	51.1	51.0	51.1	51.5
Dry deposition	25.4	23.1	25.4	23.1	25.3	23.1	23.4	23.1
HNO <sub>3</sub>	18.3	10.7	9.4	10.7	9.5	10.7	10.0	13.9
NO <sub>3</sub> on dust	0.0	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.4	0.0
NH <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>	0.7	0.8	4.4	0.8	4.2	0.8	0.5	0.9
Organic nitrogen	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.3	4.0
Wet deposition	25.6	27.6	25.5	27.6	25.5	27.6	27.4	28.1
HNO <sub>3</sub>	23.4	17.8	16.4	17.4	16.7	17.7	18.2	21.6
NO <sub>3</sub> on dust	0.0	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	0.0
NH <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>	0.5	3.5	2.9	3.9	2.5	3.6	2.6	3.9
Organic nitrogen	1.7	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.9	2.6
Lifetime (days)	22.7	13.4	13.3	13.4	13.3	13.4	13.6	12.9

<sup>a</sup> SO<sub>2</sub> emissions are 74.0 TgS a<sup>-1</sup> including 16.0 TgS a<sup>-1</sup>

from DMS oxidation

Table S3: Summary of model evaluation<sup>a</sup>

	AM3	AM3N	AM3N_fdep_diu	AM3N_diu	AM3N_fdep	AM3N_ns	AM3N_nhet	AM3N_ndust
<b>SO<sub>4</sub></b>								
Aerosol								
US	0.07 (0.81)	-0.11 (0.89)	-0.06 (0.89)	-0.11 (0.89)	-0.05 (0.89)	-0.05 (0.89)	-0.06 (0.89)	-0.11 (0.89)
Europe	-0.43 (0.24)	-0.22 (0.62)	-0.13 (0.64)	-0.22 (0.62)	-0.13 (0.64)	-0.20 (0.67)	-0.13 (0.64)	-0.24 (0.62)
Wet deposition								
US	0.00 (0.42)	-0.07 (0.59)	-0.08 (0.57)	-0.07 (0.58)	-0.07 (0.58)	-0.08 (0.58)	-0.08 (0.58)	-0.07 (0.58)
Europe	-0.18 (0.53)	-0.32 (0.57)	-0.32 (0.53)	-0.32 (0.57)	-0.31 (0.57)	-0.32 (0.58)	-0.31 (0.57)	-0.32 (0.55)
<b>NO<sub>3</sub></b>								
Aerosol								
US	-0.61 (0.64)	1.03 (0.64)	0.17 (0.65)	0.99 (0.64)	0.16 (0.64)	1.38 (0.61)	0.42 (0.62)	1.06 (0.64)
Europe	-0.78 (0.62)	0.32 (0.62)	-0.30 (0.58)	0.29 (0.62)	-0.30 (0.58)	0.31 (0.61)	-0.13 (0.50)	0.17 (0.62)
Gas + Aerosol								
Europe	-0.18 (0.61)	0.17 (0.75)	-0.29 (0.57)	0.16 (0.75)	-0.29 (0.57)	0.17 (0.74)	-0.13 (0.62)	0.08 (0.76)
Wet deposition								
US	0.14 (0.33)	0.23 (0.52)	0.11 (0.54)	0.23 (0.52)	0.11 (0.54)	0.21 (0.52)	0.17 (0.54)	0.27 (0.54)
Europe	-0.32 (0.57)	-0.29 (0.54)	-0.39 (0.54)	-0.29 (0.54)	-0.39 (0.55)	-0.28 (0.58)	-0.32 (0.52)	-0.27 (0.56)
<b>NH<sub>x</sub></b>								
Gas								
US	-0.75 (0.50)	-0.10 (0.54)	-0.22 (0.53)	-0.29 (0.54)	-0.04 (0.53)	-0.12 (0.50)	-0.06 (0.53)	-0.11 (0.53)
Europe	-0.65 (0.48)	0.23 (0.54)	0.17 (0.50)	0.04 (0.53)	0.36 (0.52)	0.25 (0.46)	0.31 (0.53)	0.21 (0.54)
Gas + aerosol								
Europe	0.69 (0.66)	0.18 (0.64)	0.02 (0.64)	0.07 (0.63)	0.12 (0.64)	0.19 (0.60)	0.14 (0.64)	0.19 (0.64)
Wet deposition								
US	-0.20 (0.50)	-0.20 (0.69)	-0.15 (0.69)	-0.14 (0.69)	-0.20 (0.68)	-0.18 (0.55)	-0.20 (0.69)	-0.20 (0.69)
Europe	-0.23 (0.52)	-0.36 (0.58)	-0.32 (0.58)	-0.31 (0.58)	-0.36 (0.58)	-0.36 (0.49)	-0.36 (0.58)	-0.35 (0.58)
<b>AOD</b>								
MODIS								
World	0.09 (0.57)	-0.08 (0.68)	-0.08 (0.68)	-0.07 (0.68)	-0.08 (0.68)	-0.07 (0.67)	-0.08 (0.68)	-0.06 (0.69)
high NO <sub>3</sub>	-0.15 (0.83)	0.11 (0.87)	0.09 (0.87)	0.14 (0.86)	0.06 (0.87)	0.13 (0.86)	0.06 (0.87)	0.12 (0.87)
high SO <sub>4</sub>	0.57 (0.83)	0.06 (0.87)	0.06 (0.87)	0.08 (0.87)	0.04 (0.88)	0.06 (0.87)	0.04 (0.88)	0.09 (0.88)
MISR								
World	-0.03 (0.53)	-0.16 (0.59)	-0.16 (0.59)	-0.15 (0.58)	-0.17 (0.59)	-0.16 (0.58)	-0.17 (0.59)	-0.14 (0.59)
high NO <sub>3</sub>	-0.12 (0.84)	0.21 (0.87)	0.18 (0.87)	0.24 (0.86)	0.16 (0.87)	0.23 (0.86)	0.16 (0.88)	0.24 (0.87)
high SO <sub>4</sub>	0.54 (0.86)	0.12 (0.88)	0.12 (0.88)	0.14 (0.87)	0.10 (0.88)	0.12 (0.87)	0.10 (0.88)	0.15 (0.88)
AERONET								
World	-0.03 (0.72)	-0.10 (0.82)	-0.11 (0.82)	-0.08 (0.82)	-0.13 (0.82)	-0.09 (0.82)	-0.12 (0.83)	-0.07 (0.82)
high NO <sub>3</sub>	-0.50 (0.87)	-0.01 (0.76)	-0.07 (0.70)	0.02 (0.72)	-0.08 (0.73)	0.03 (0.79)	-0.09 (0.74)	0.03 (0.75)
high SO <sub>4</sub>	0.33 (0.47)	-0.10 (0.74)	-0.10 (0.71)	-0.07 (0.72)	-0.12 (0.73)	-0.10 (0.75)	-0.13 (0.72)	-0.05 (0.74)



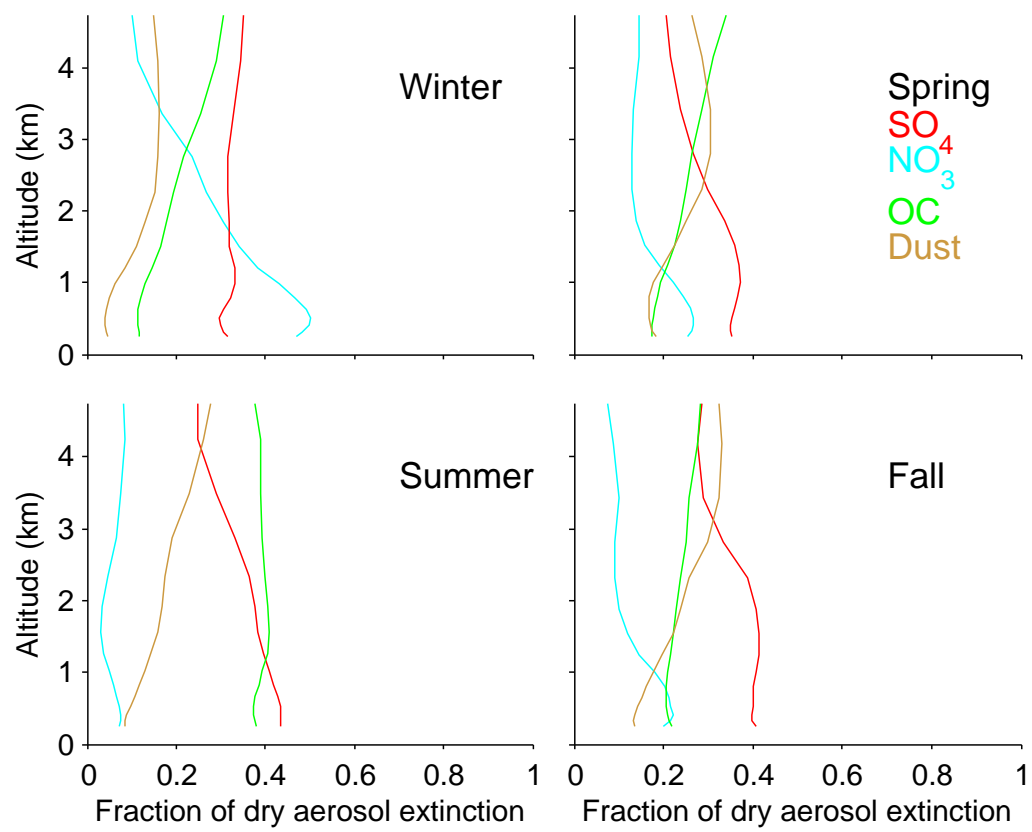


Figure S1: Contribution of SO<sub>4</sub>, NO<sub>3</sub>, OC, and dust to the simulated dry extinction at Bondville in AM3N\_fdep\_diu.

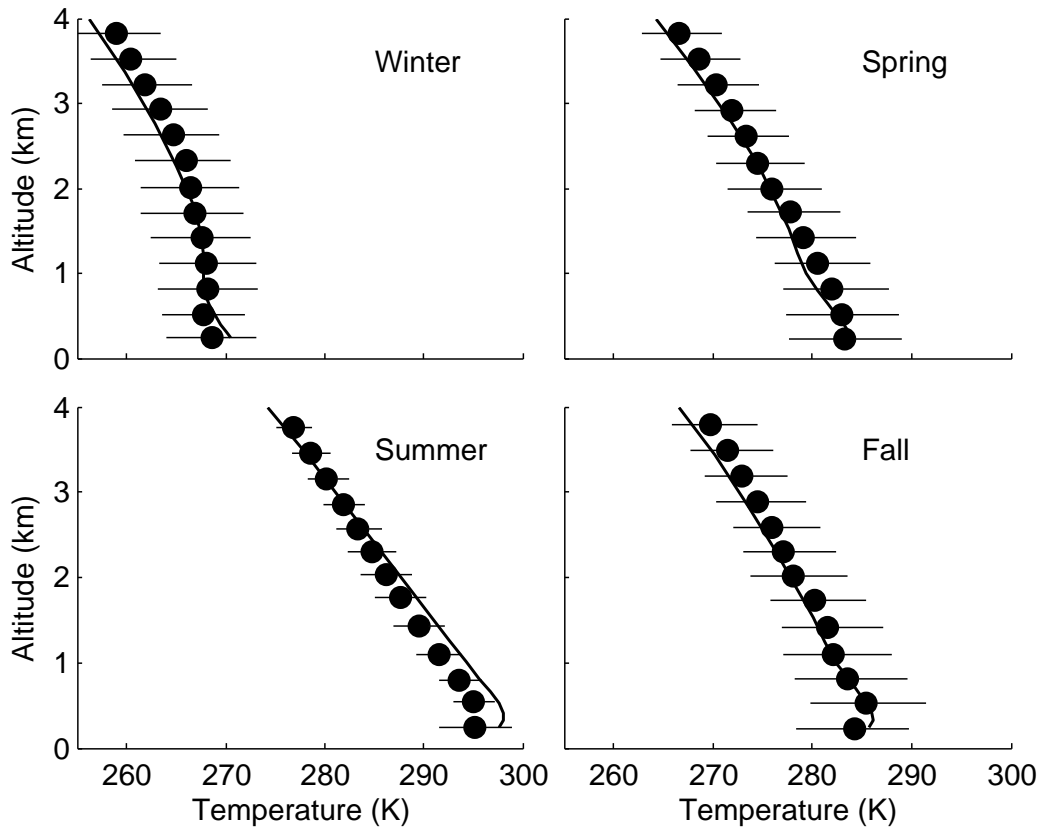


Figure S2: Observed (black dots) and simulated temperature over Bondville. The dots show the average for the each altitude and the bars show the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles. The model is sampled within one hour of the twice daily observations.

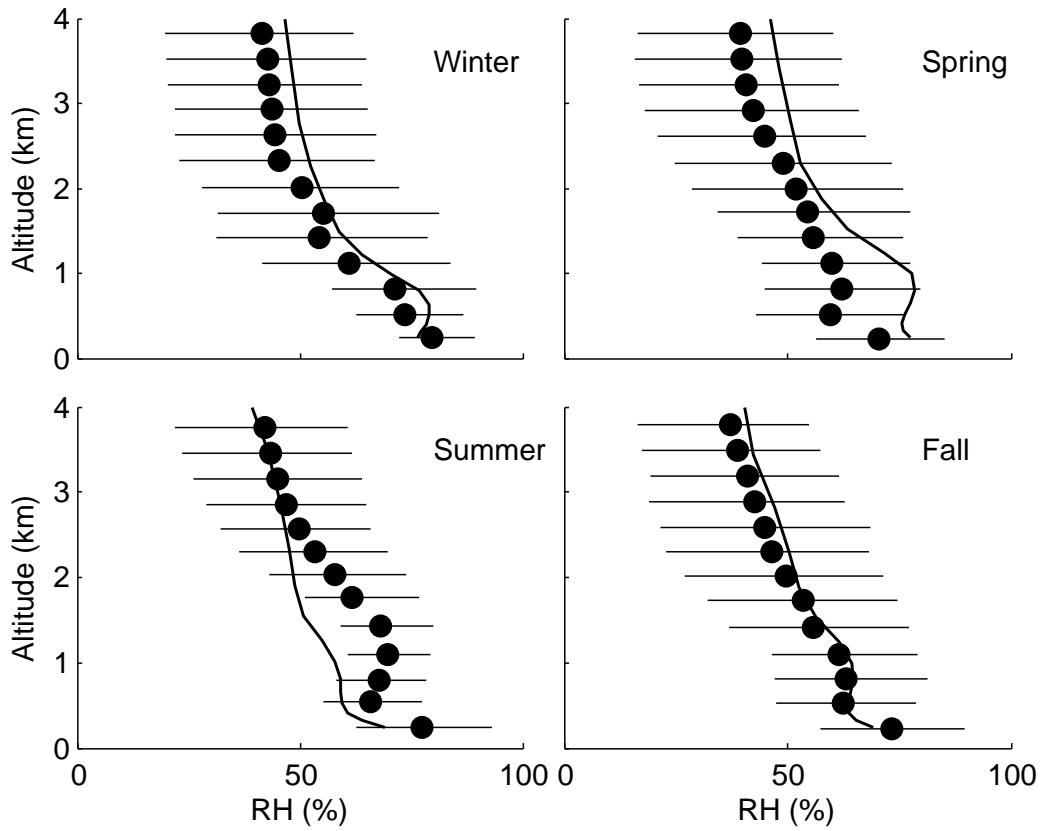


Figure S3: Observed (black dots) and simulated relative humidity over Bondville. The dots show the average for the each altitude and the bars show the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles. The model is sampled within one hour of the twice daily observations.

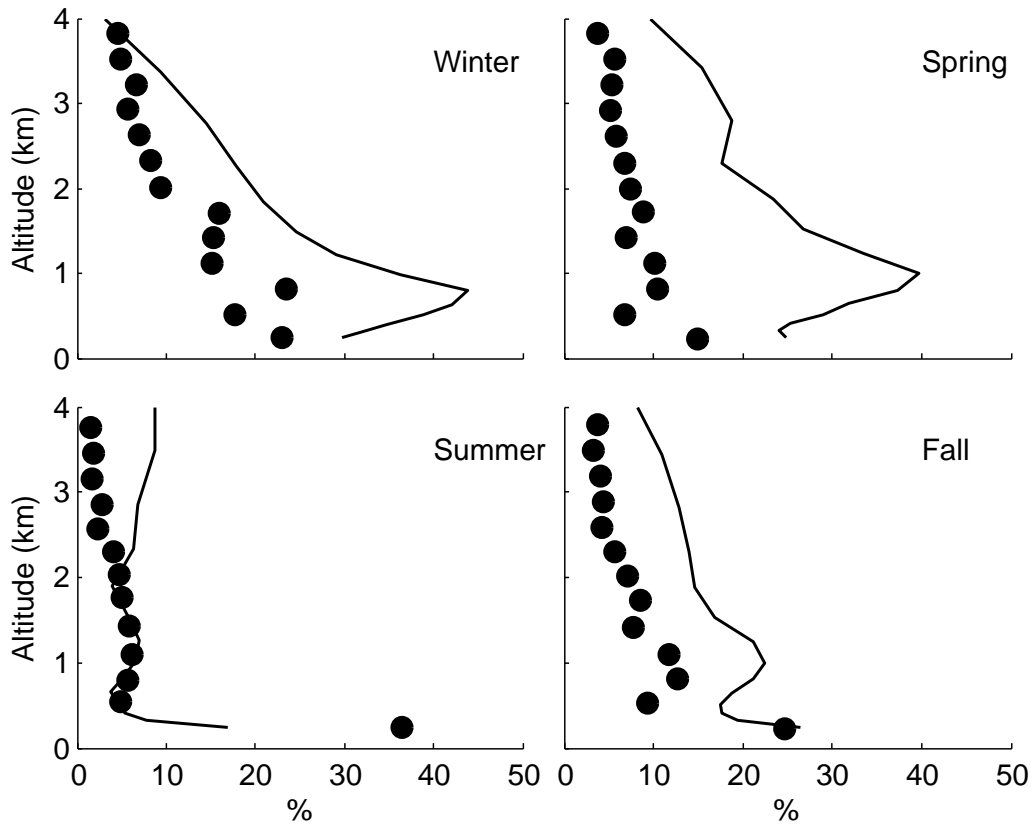


Figure S4: Observed (black dots) and simulated (solid line from AM3N) occurrence of RH exceeding 90% over Bondville from 2008 to 2010. The model is sampled within one hour of the bidaily observations.

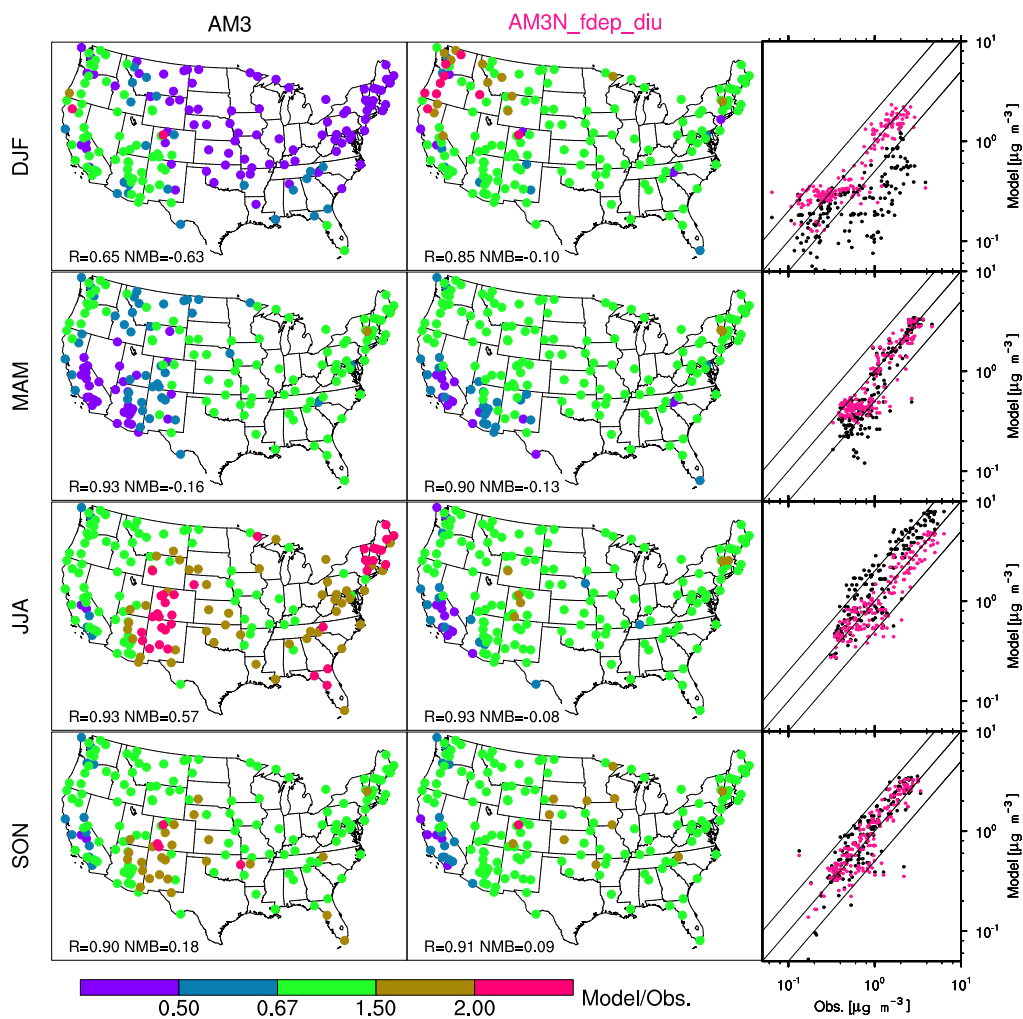


Figure S5: Comparison between observed and simulated  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  for AM3 and AM3N\_fdep\_diu. The ratio between model and observation is shown for each site and each season for AM3 (left panel) and AM3N\_fdep\_diu (middle panel). Observations are averaged on a monthly basis over the 2006–2012 period. Scatterplot of seasonal means is shown on the right for AM3 (black) and AM3N\_fdep\_diu (purple). Note the log scale for the x and y axis.

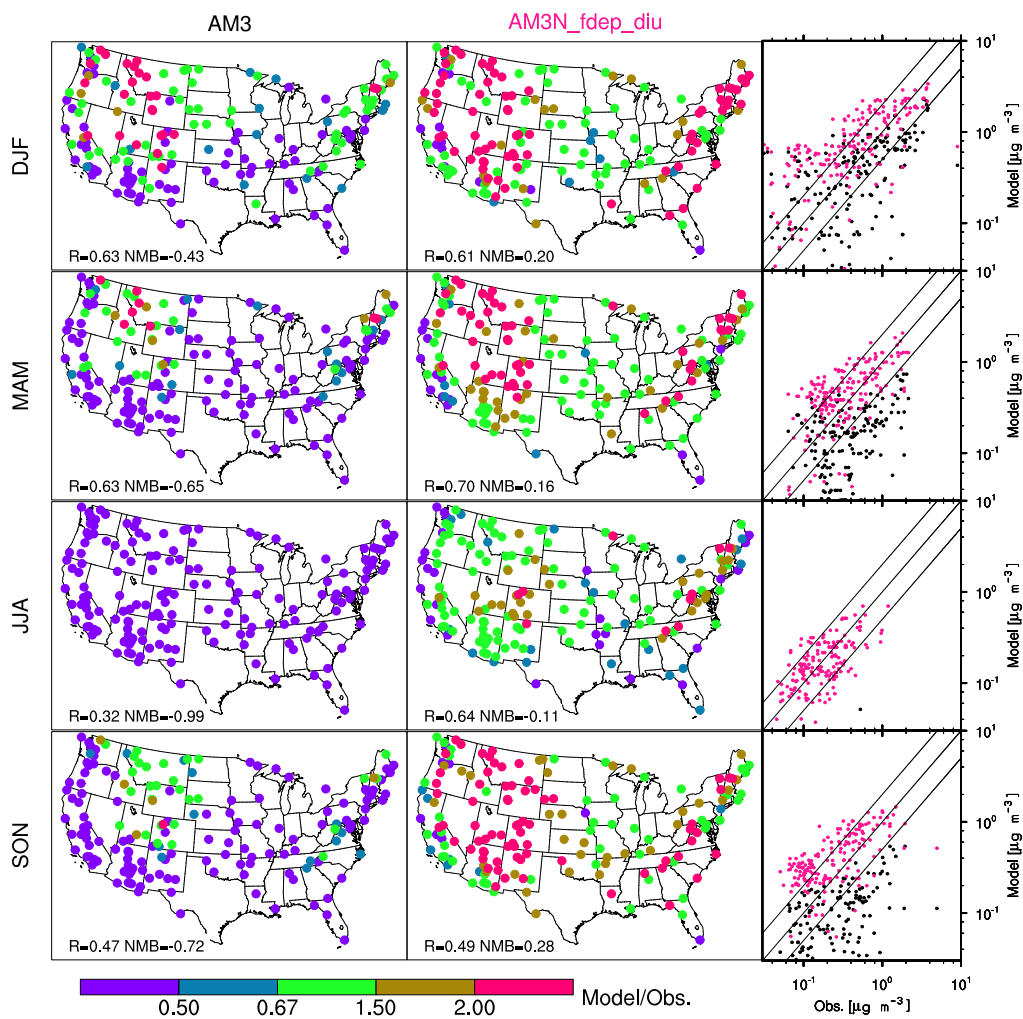


Figure S6: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{NO}_3^-$  aerosol

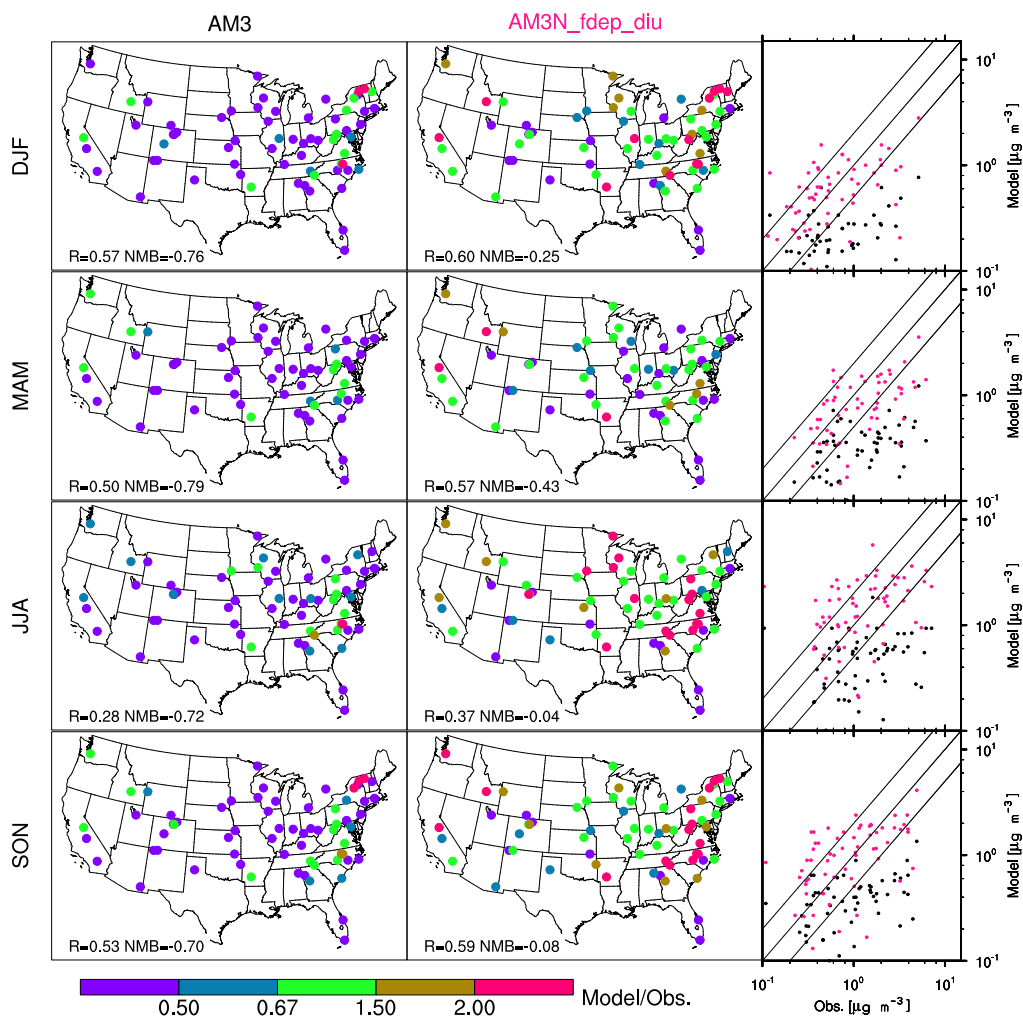


Figure S7: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{NH}_3$

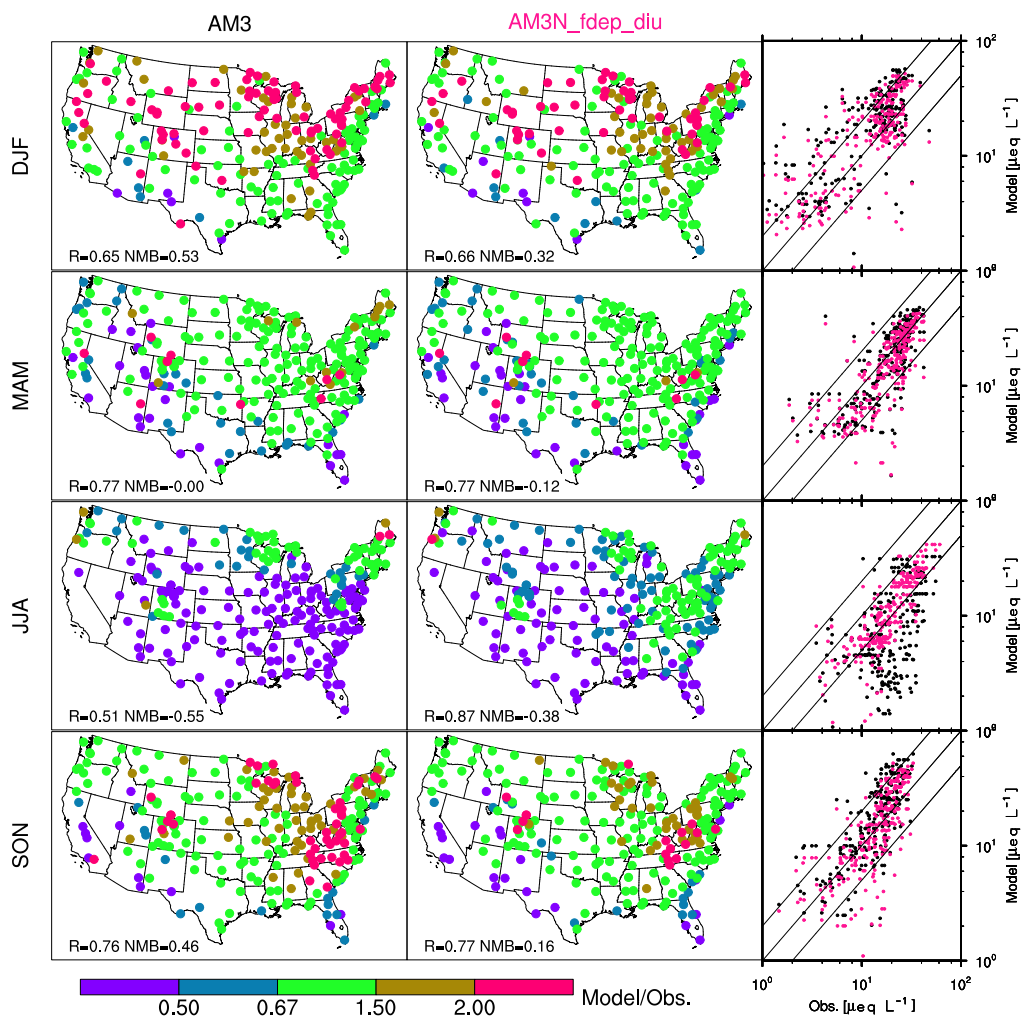


Figure S8: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  concentrations in rain from NADP



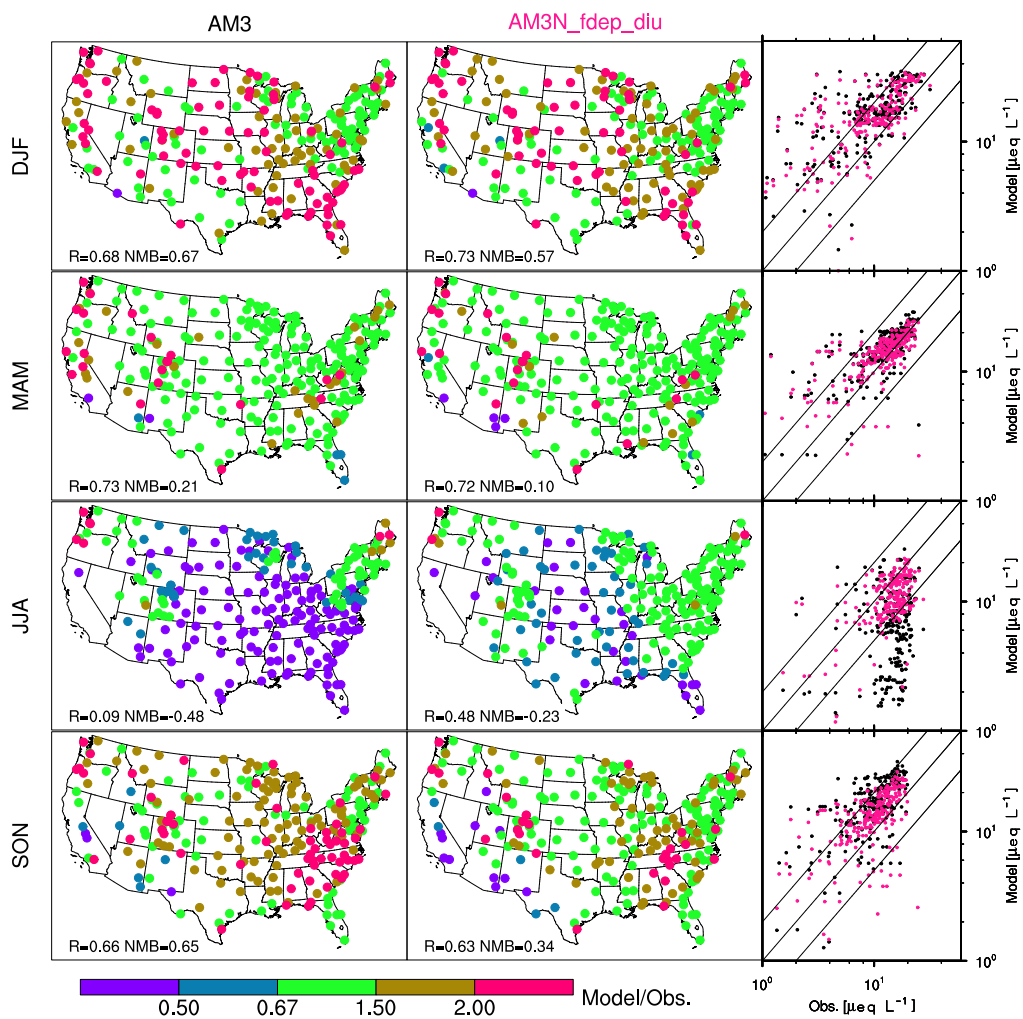


Figure S9: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{NO}_3^-$  concentration in rain from NADP

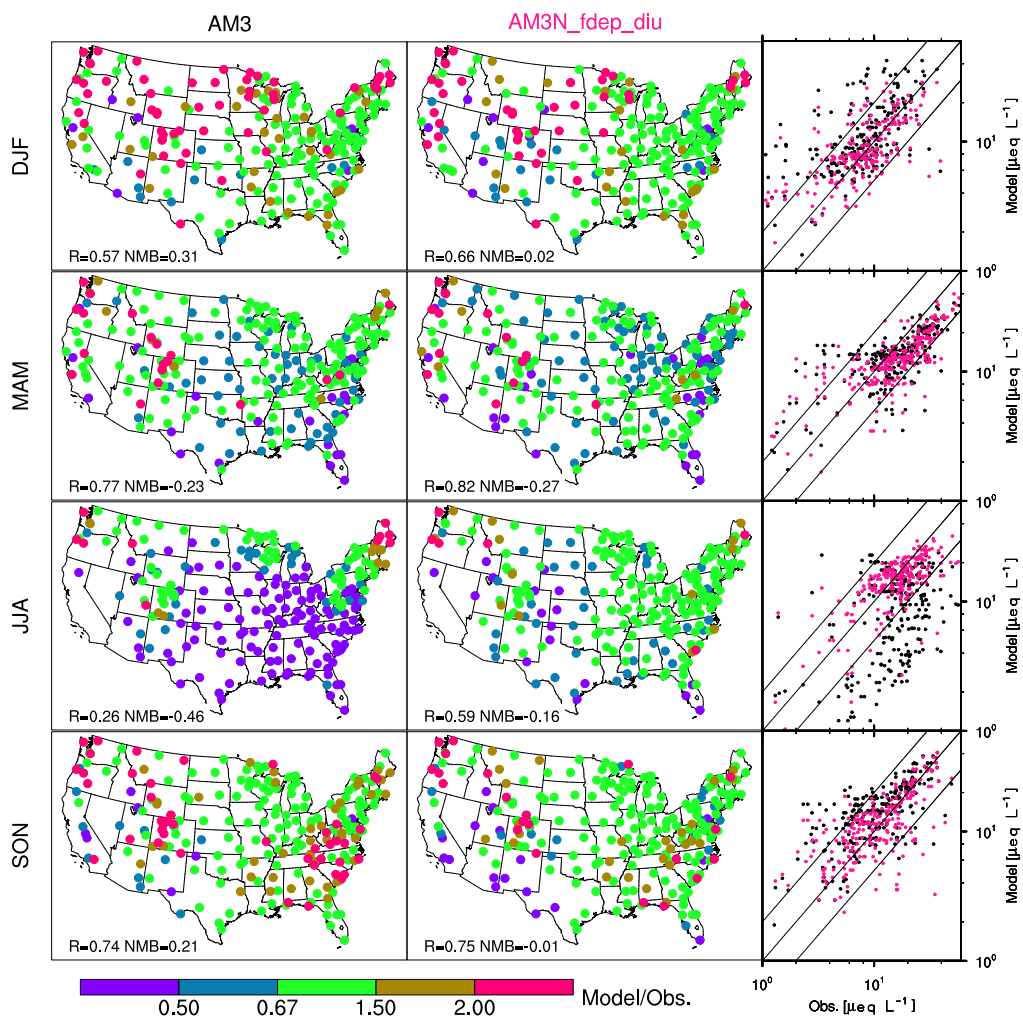


Figure S10: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{NH}_4^+$  concentration in rain from NADP

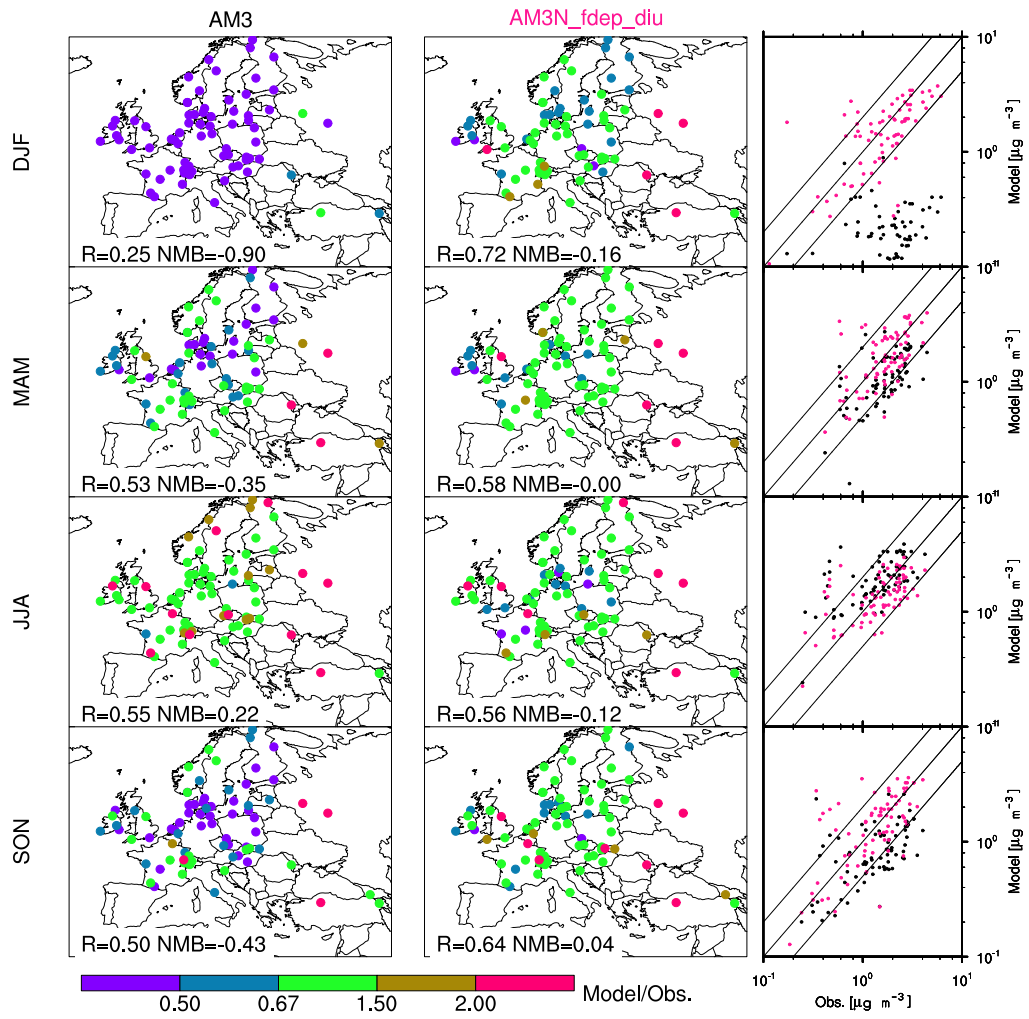


Figure S11: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  surface observations from EMEP.

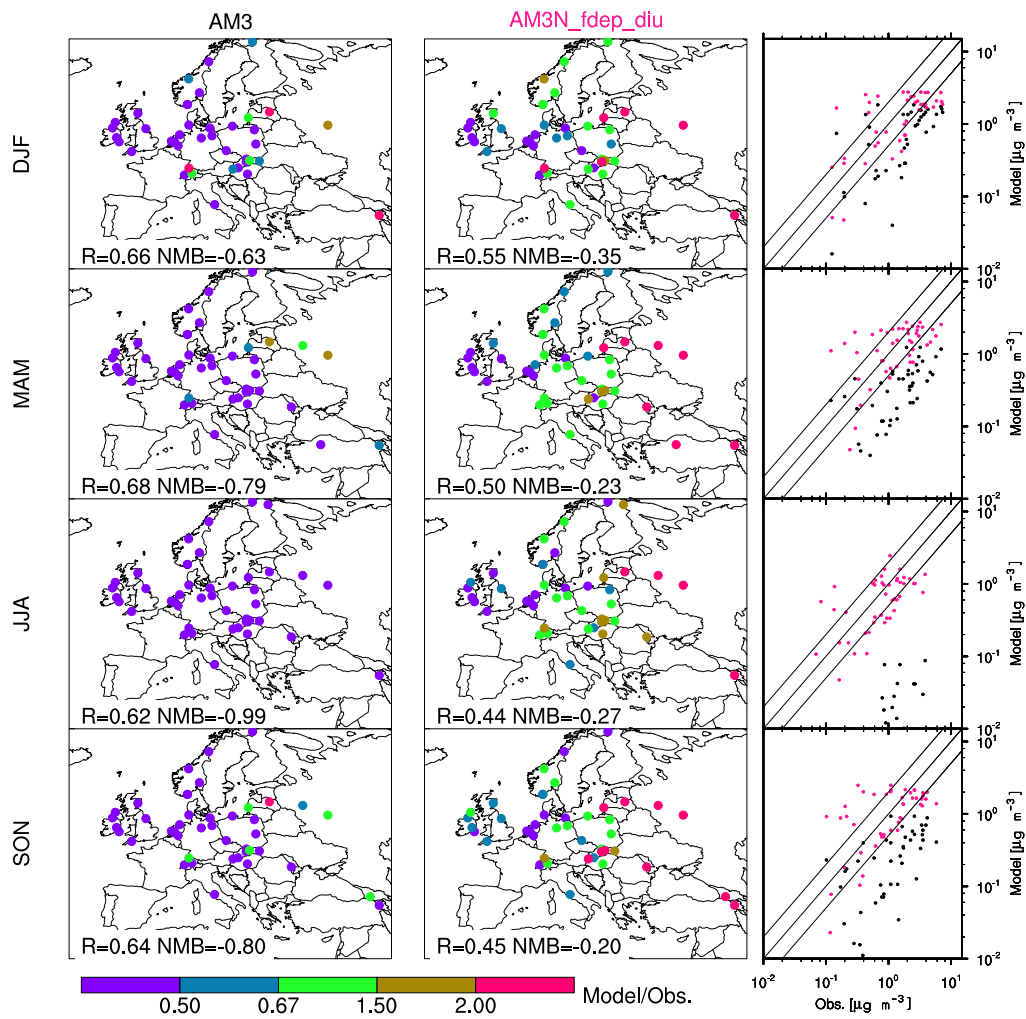


Figure S12: Same as Fig. S5 but for surface  $\text{NO}_3^-$  from EMEP.

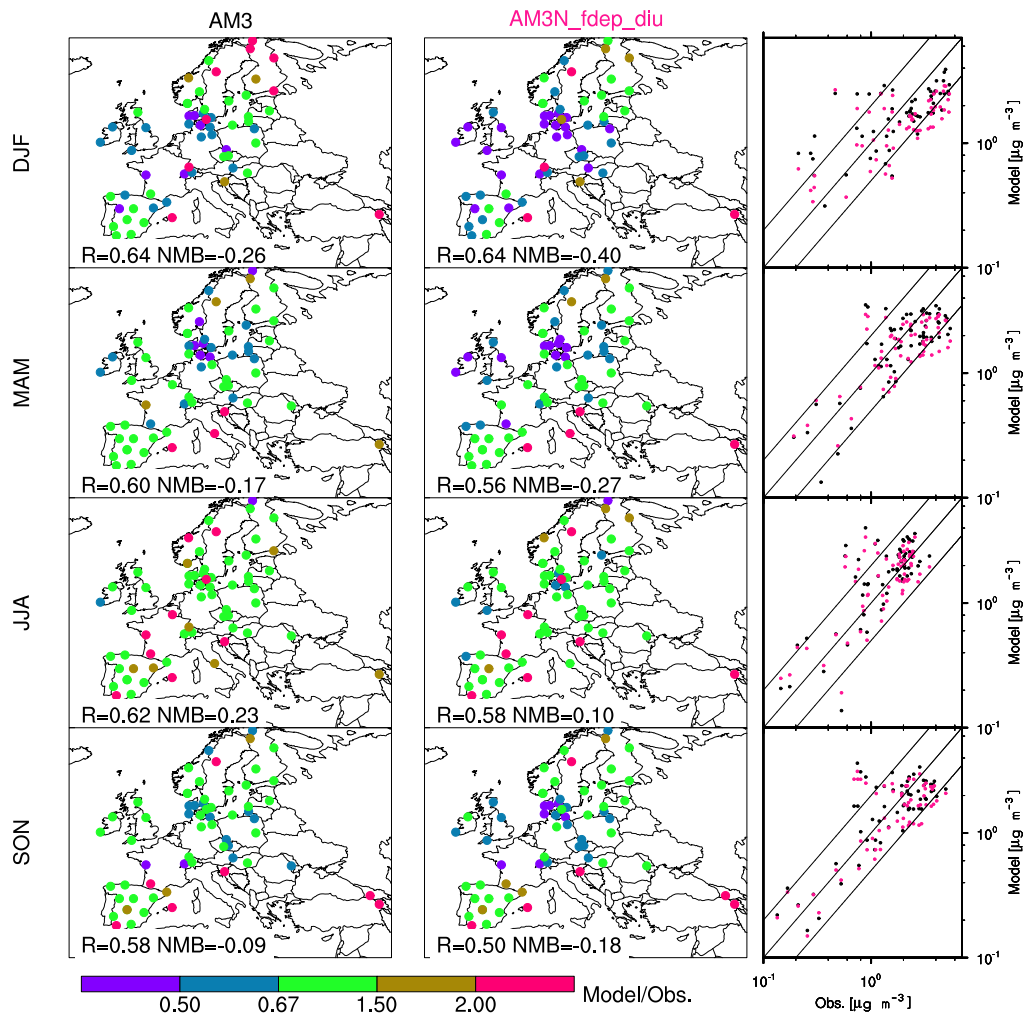


Figure S13: Same as Fig. S5 but for NO<sub>y</sub> from EMEP.

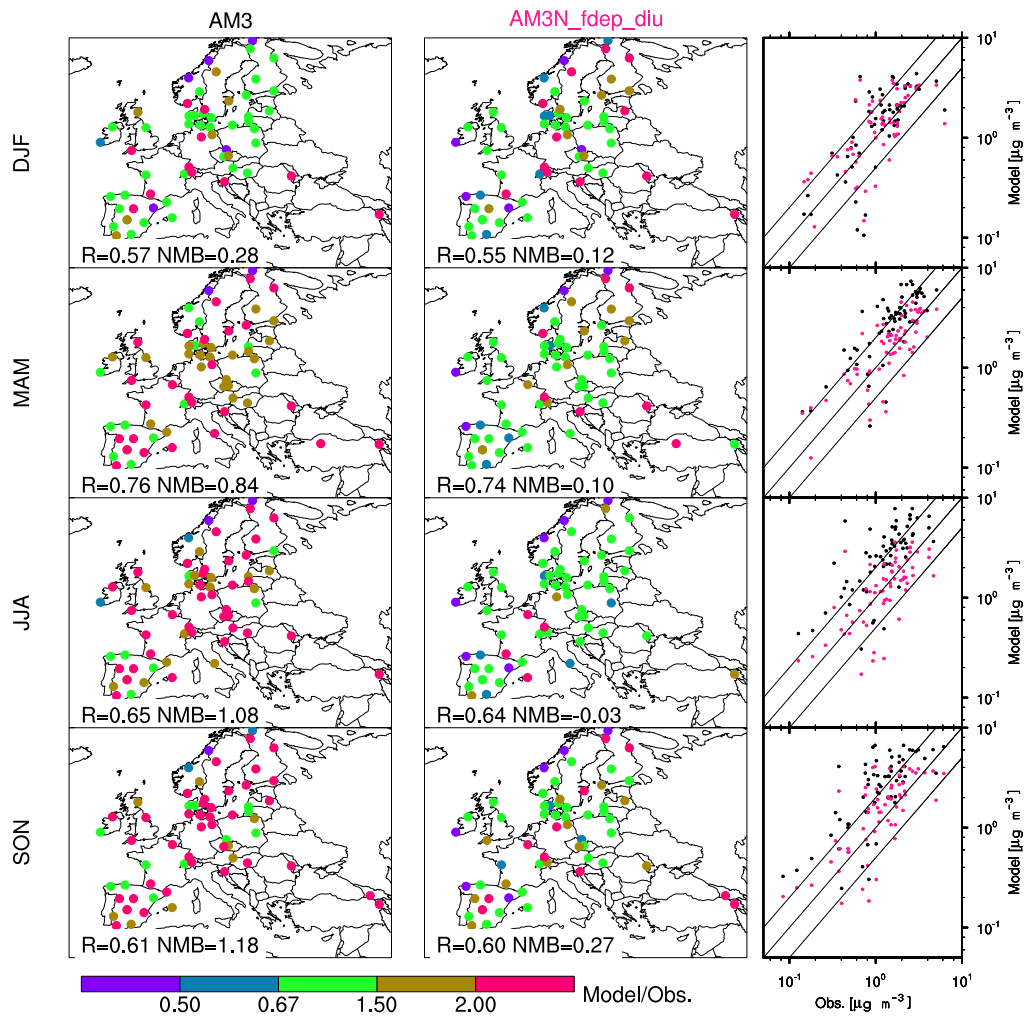


Figure S14: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{NH}_x$  from EMEP.

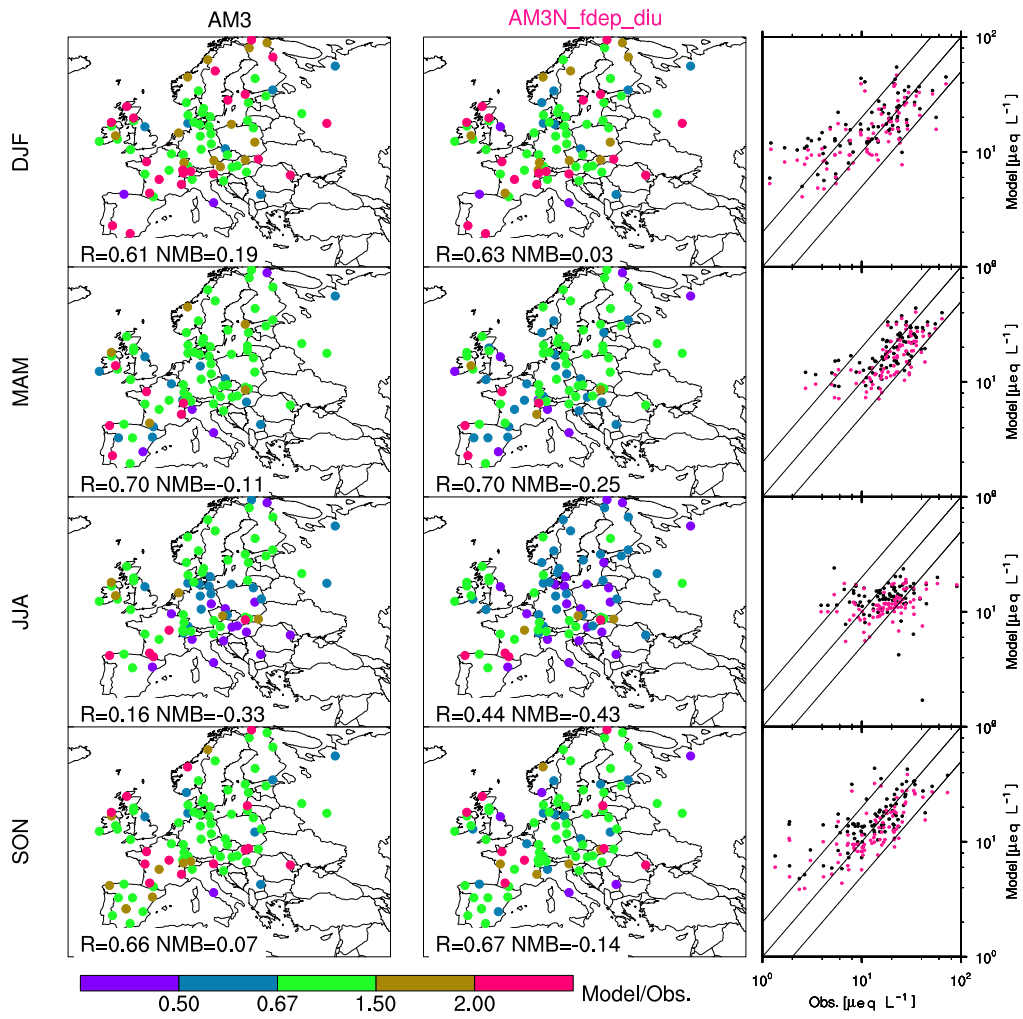


Figure S15: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  concentration in precipitated water from EMEP



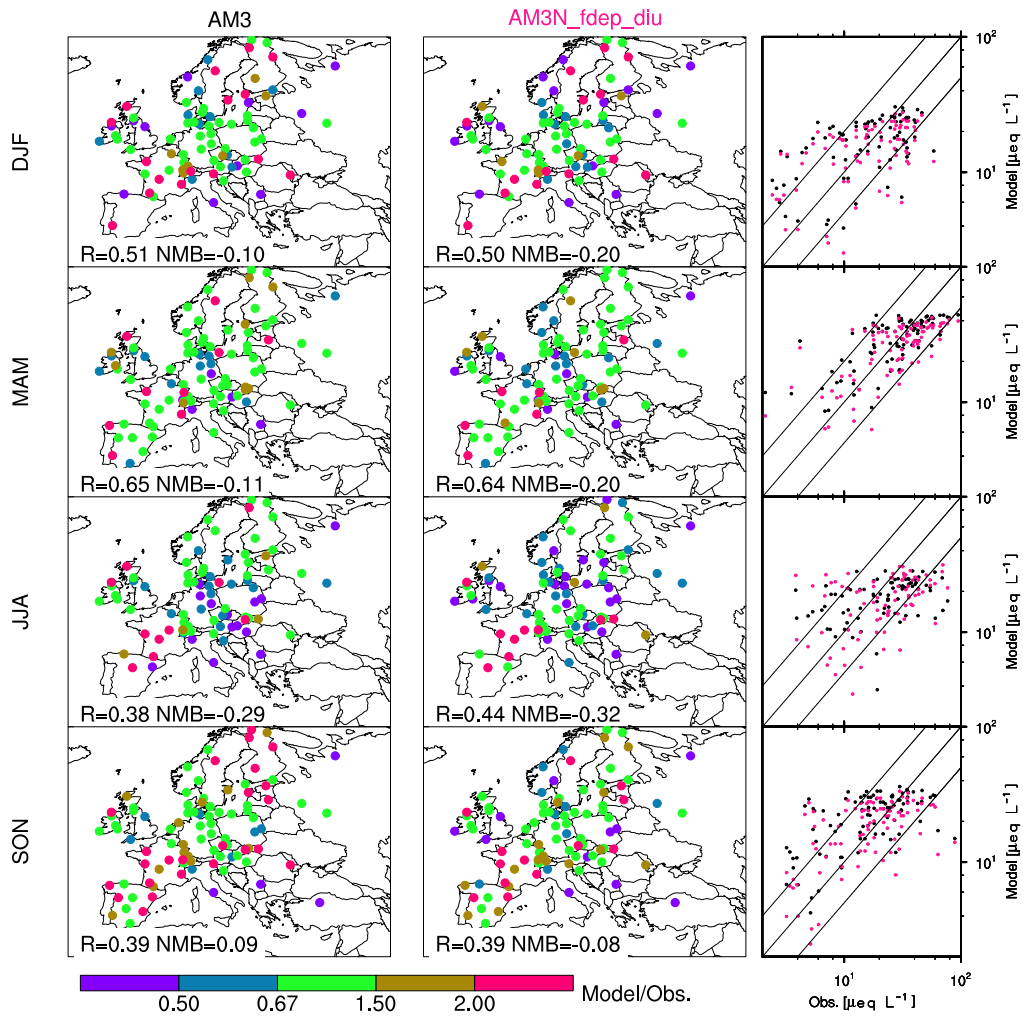


Figure S16: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{NH}_4^+$  concentration in precipitated water from EMEP



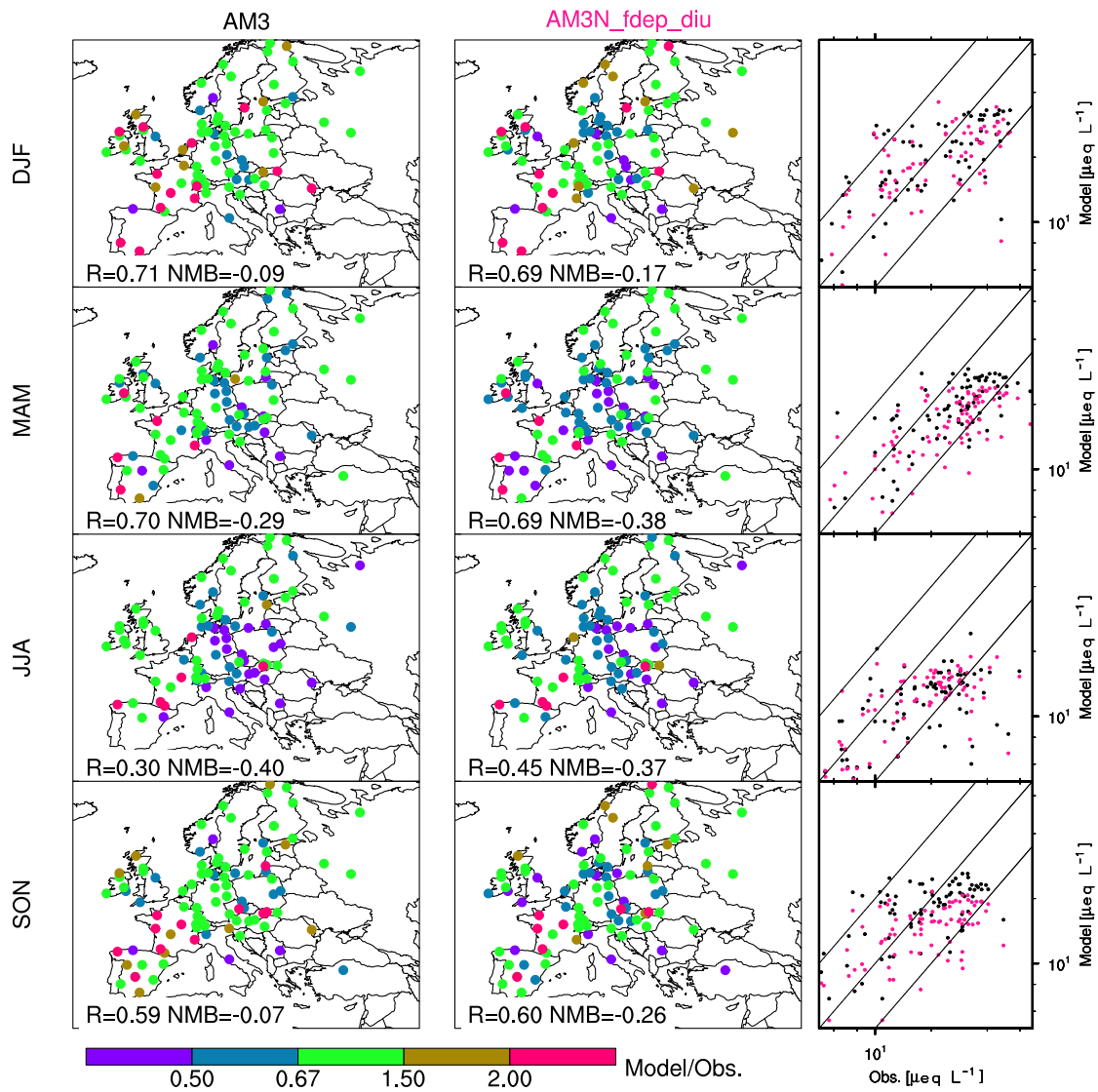


Figure S17: Same as Fig. S5 but for  $\text{NO}_3^-$  concentration in precipitated water from EMEP

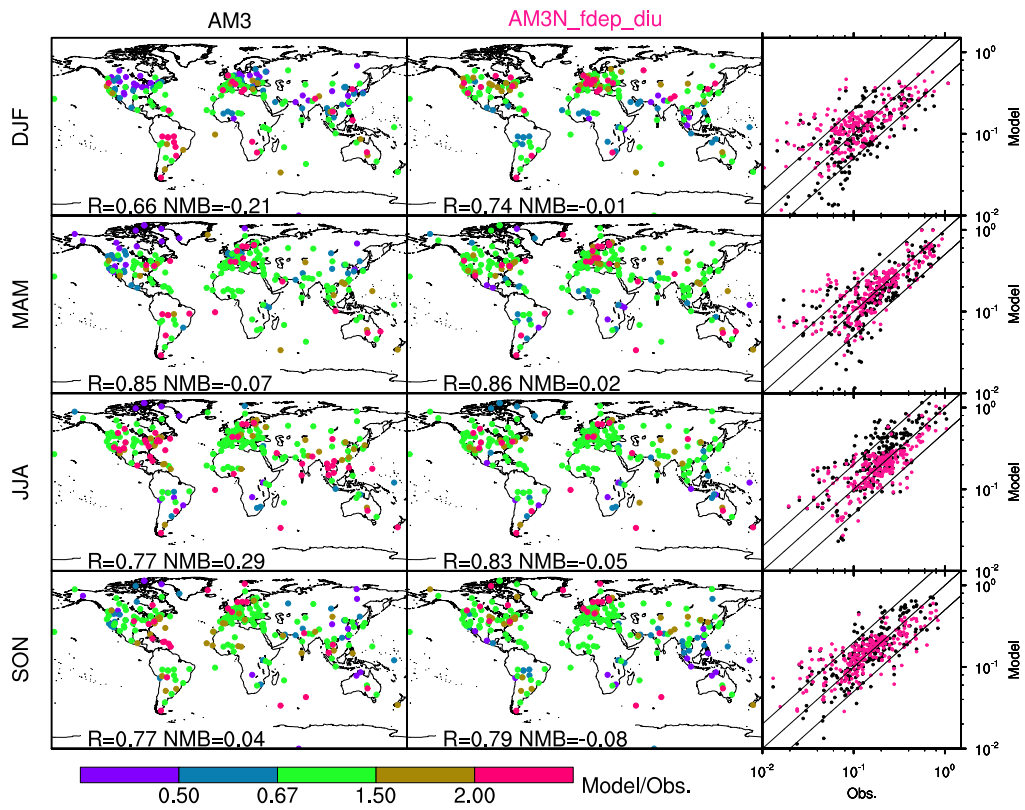


Figure S18: Same as Fig. S5 but for AOD from AERONET

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