

# Supplemental Material for “An Evaluation of Biomass Burning Aerosol Mass, Extinction, and Size Distribution in GEOS using Observations from CAMP<sup>2</sup>Ex”

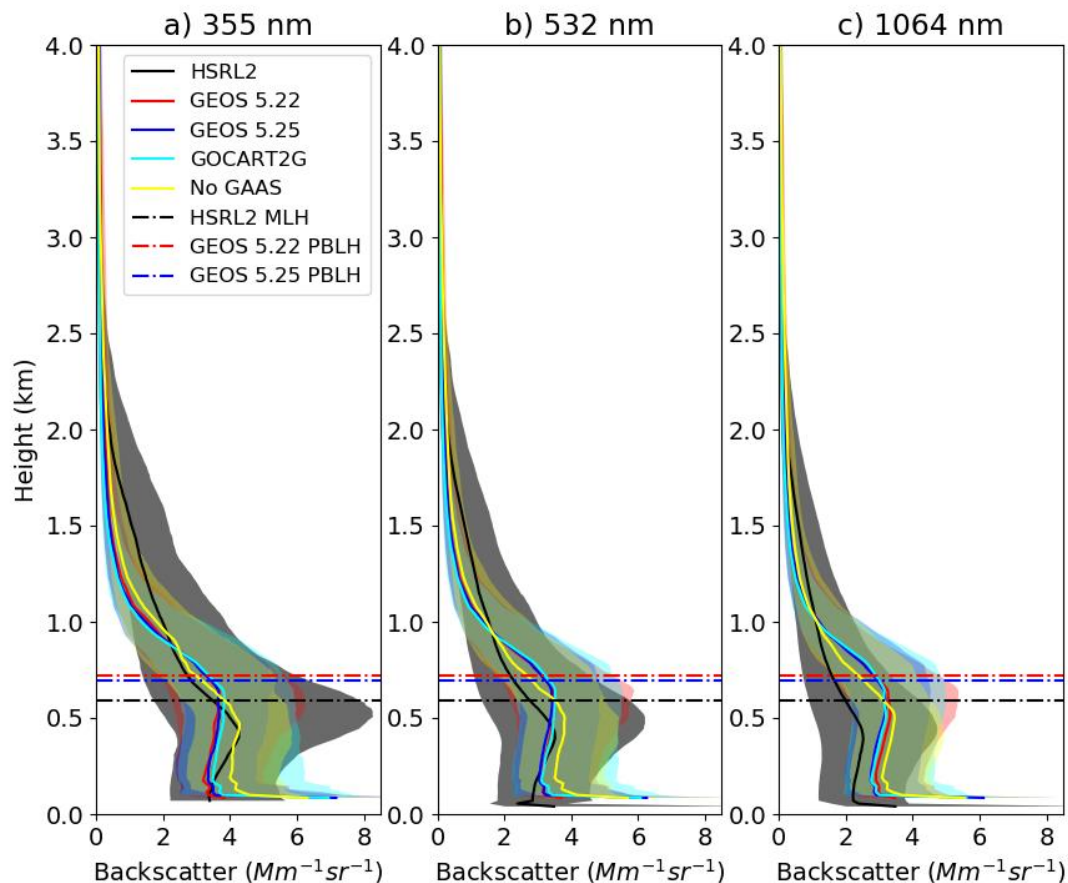
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**Figure S1:** Median backscatter at (a) 355 nm, (b) 532nm, and 1064 nm during all research flights from the HSRL2, GEOS 5.22, GEOS 5.25, GOCART2G, and GOCART2G without aerosol assimilation (No GAAS). Profiles are shaded between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles. Mixed layer height (MLH) from the HSRL2 and planetary boundary layer (PBL) height in GEOS are added for reference as dashed lines. Note that PBL height for GOCART2G is the same as GEOS 5.25.

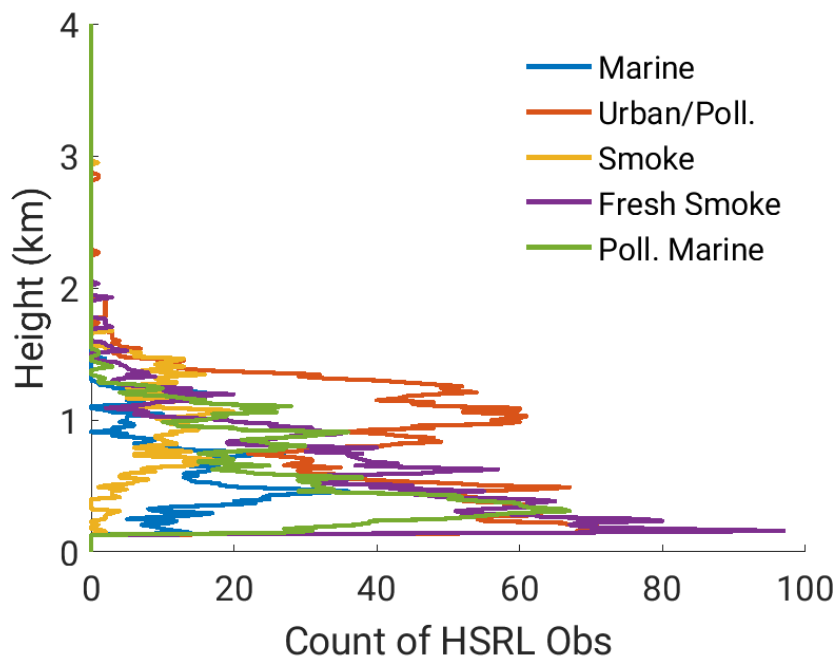
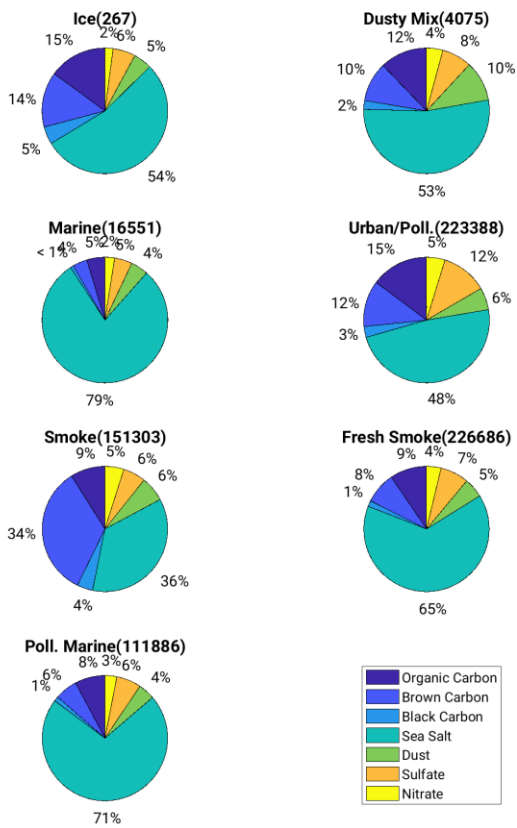
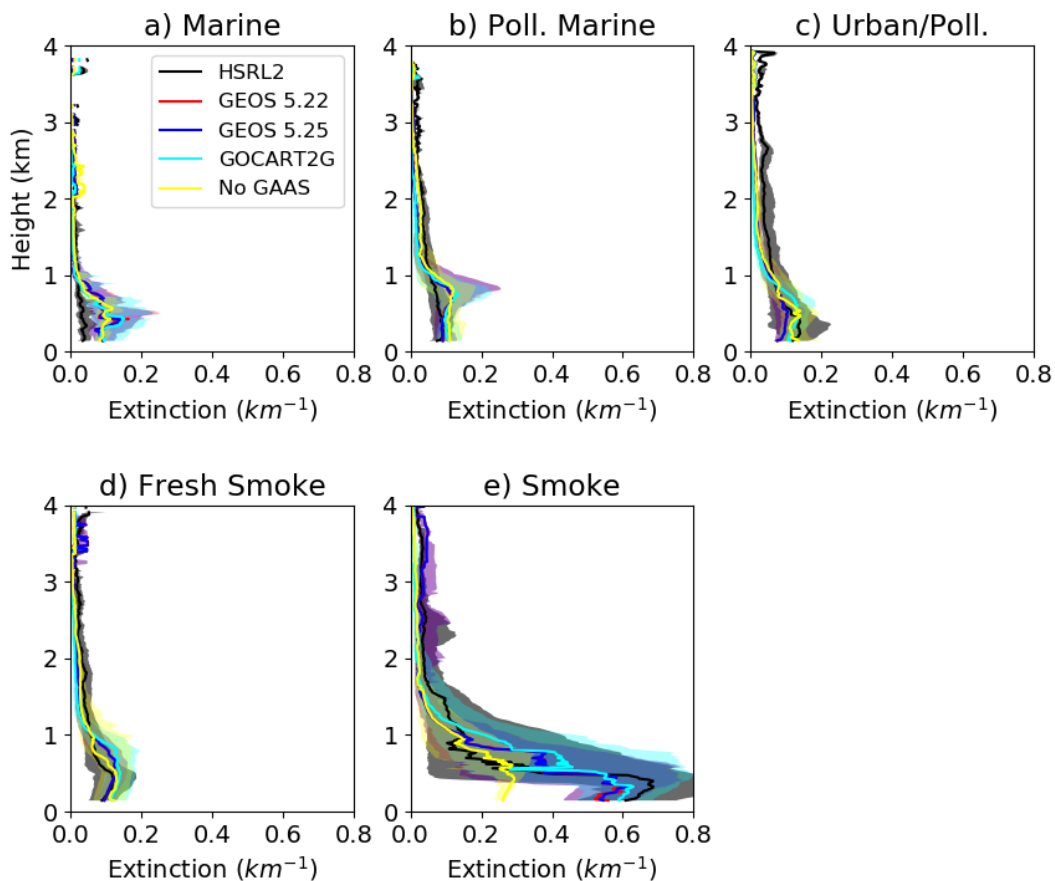


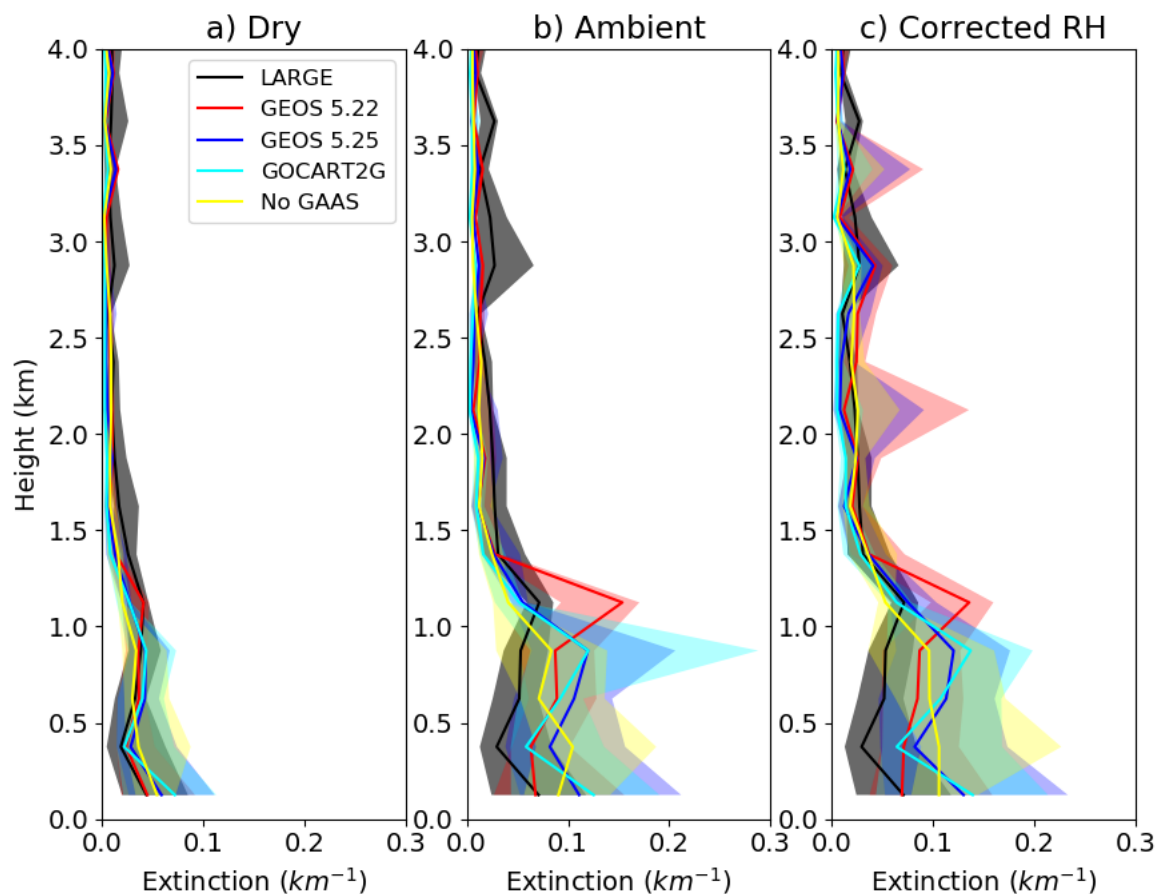
Figure S2: Vertical profile of the count of observations from the HSRL2 for each aerosol type



**Figure S3: The aerosol speciation in GEOS GOCART2G composited based on the aerosol ID provided by the HSRL2. The values in parentheses indicate the total number of data points with each aerosol type.**



**Figure S4. Median extinction at 532 nm during all research flights from the HSRL2, GEOS 5.22, GEOS 5.25, GOCART2G, and GOCART2G without aerosol assimilation (No GAAS) filtered based on the HSRL2 aerosol id for (a) marine, (b) polluted marine, (c) smoke, (d) fresh smoke, and (e) urban aerosols. Profiles are shaded between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles.**



**Figure S5. Median extinction at 532 nm for all research flights from LARGE, GEOS 5.22, GEOS 5.25, GOCART2G, and GOCART2G without aerosol assimilation (No GAAS) for (a) ambient, (b) dry, and (c) observation corrected relative humidity. Profiles are shaded between the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentiles.**