

Monitoring burned area, its associated carbon emissions and forest fire risk

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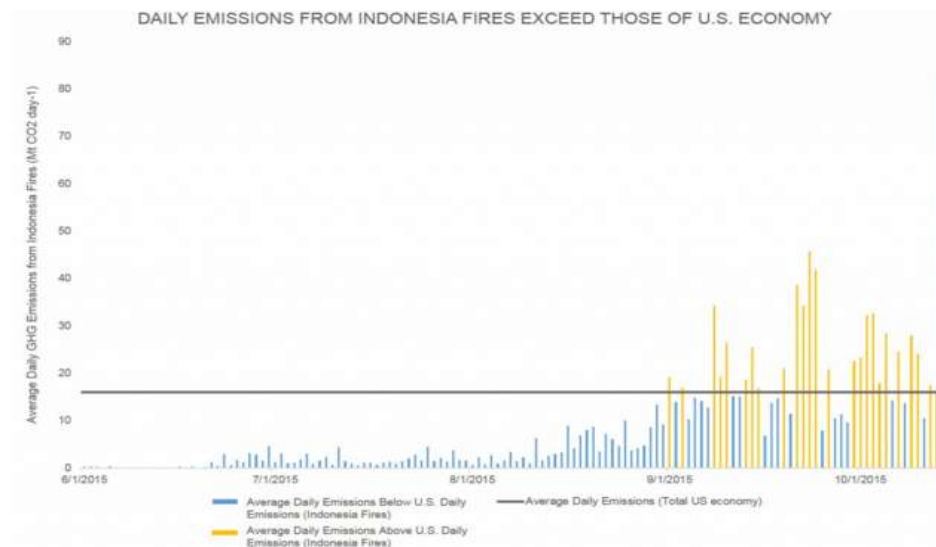
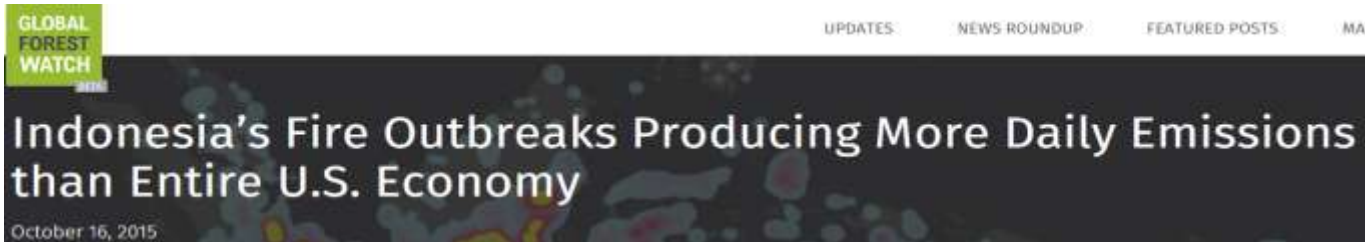
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Overview



SOURCE: GLOBAL FIRE EMISSIONS DATABASE and CAIT

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Biomass burning in South America emits on average 15 % of total global fire emissions

- 1. Monitoring burned area**
- 2. Carbon Emissions**
- 3. Fire risk**

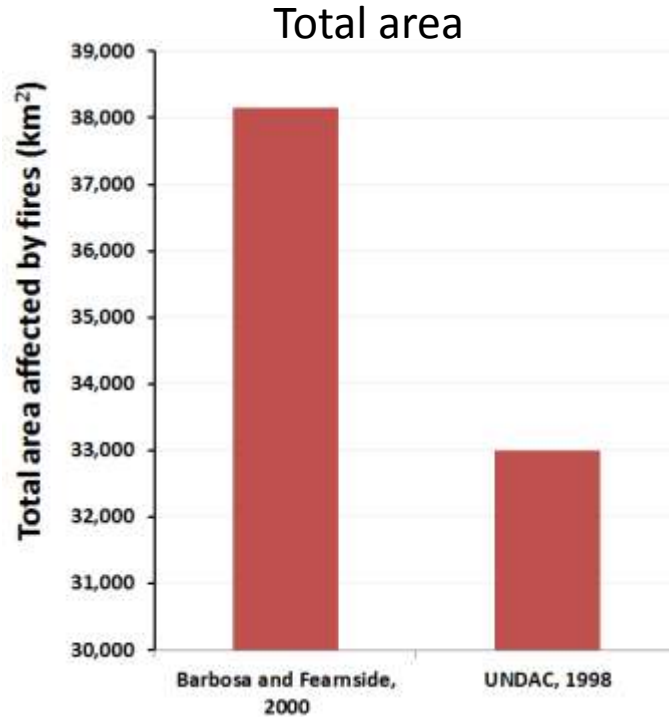
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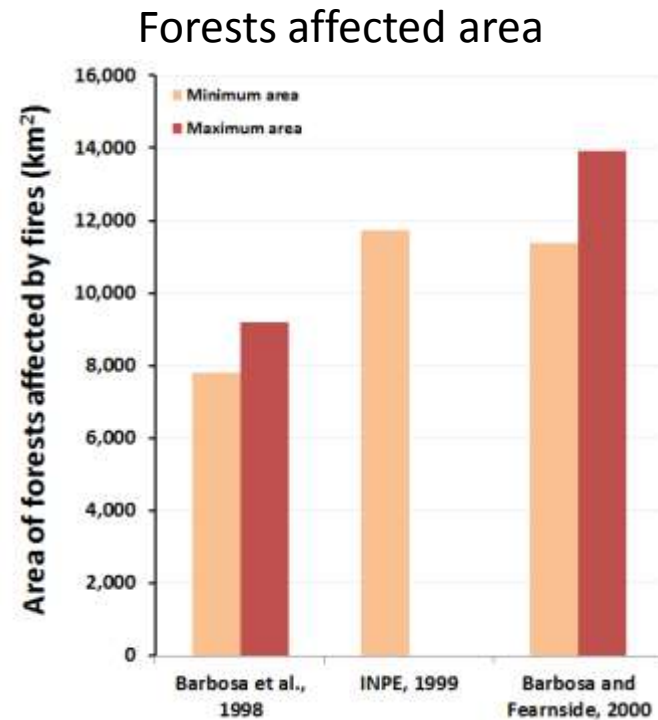
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We have some estimates of burned area with contrasting results.....

During the El Niño event in 1997-1998 in Roraima:



13.5% difference

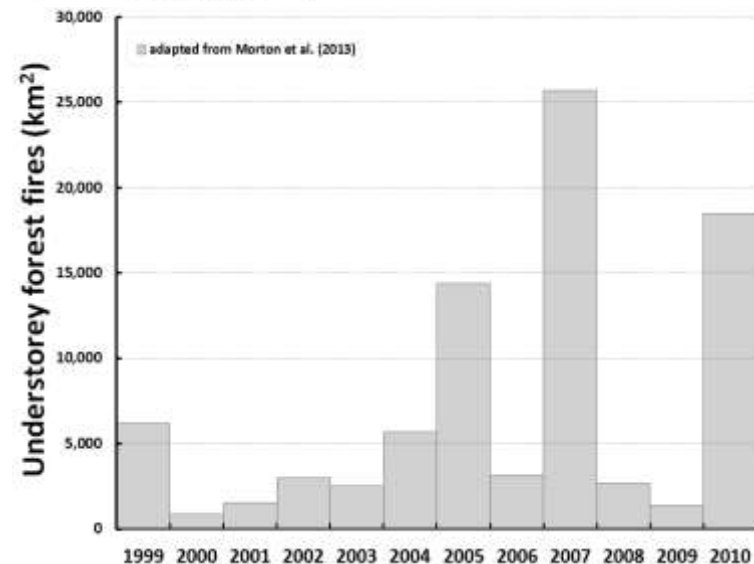
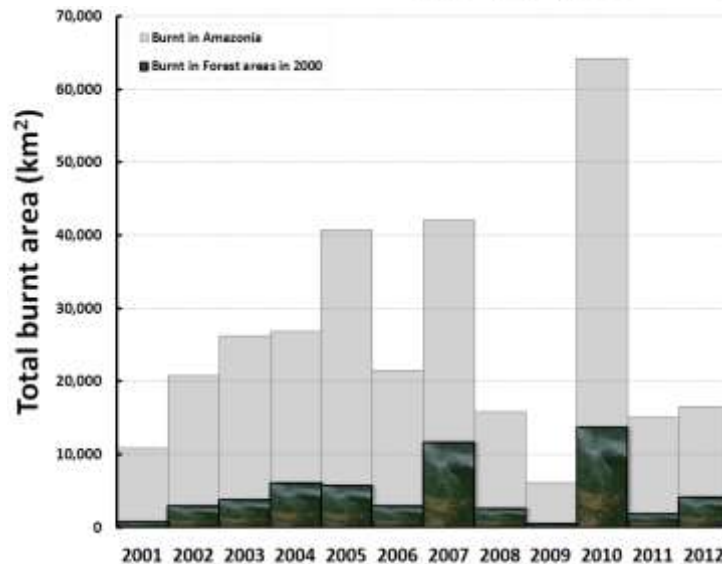
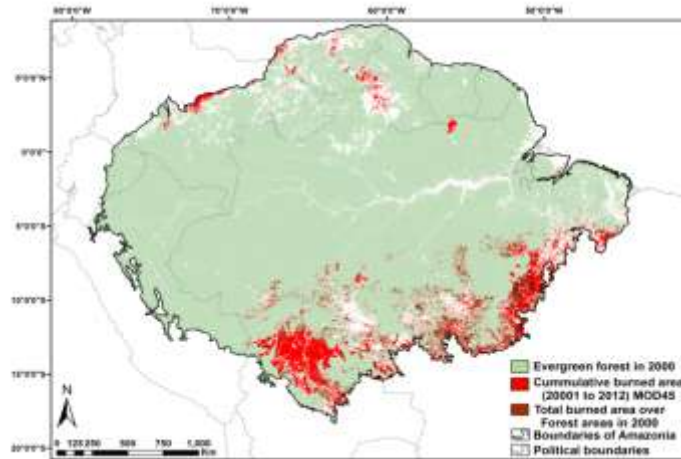


43% difference from min to max estimates

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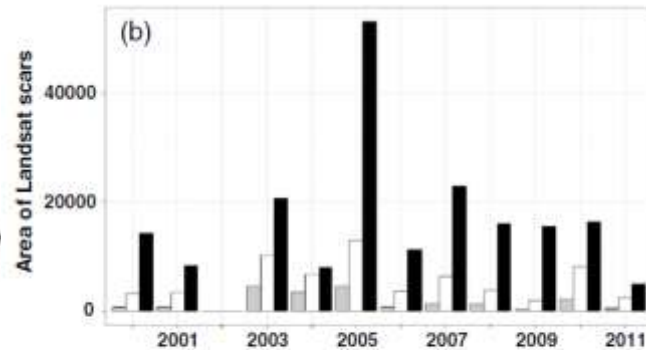
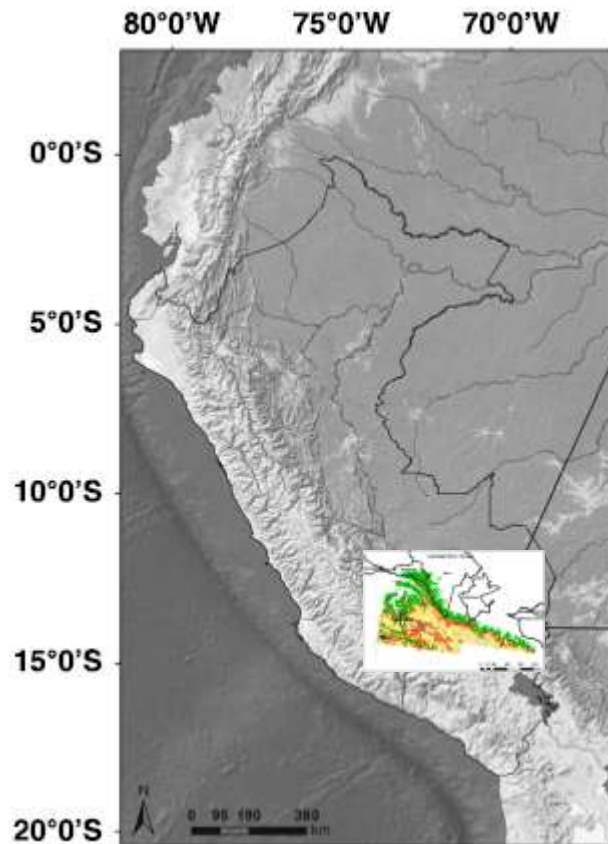
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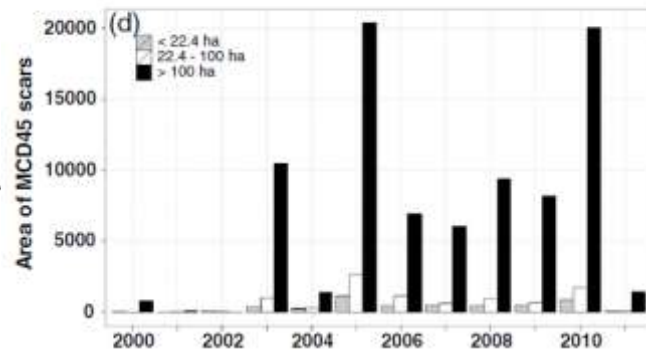
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And only MODIS-based products with a consistent temporal coverage (2000 onwards) AND We know that it underestimates the total burned area



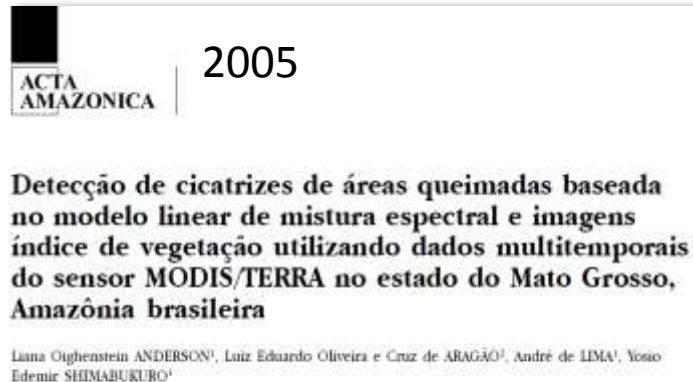
Total burned area LT:
272,000 ha



Total burned area MODIS:
98,860 ha

FRI for the area is 37 years for grasslands, which is within the range reported for grasslands, and 65 years for forests

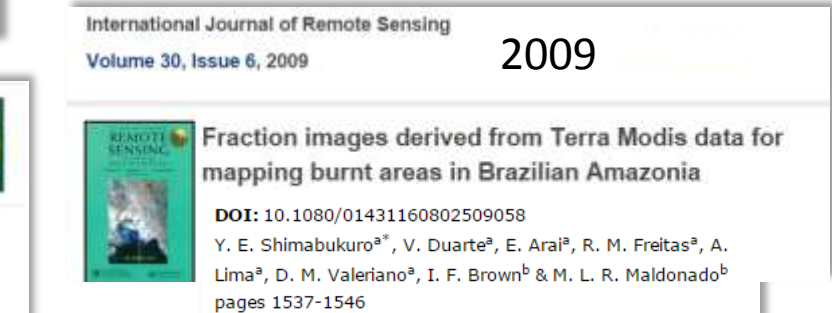
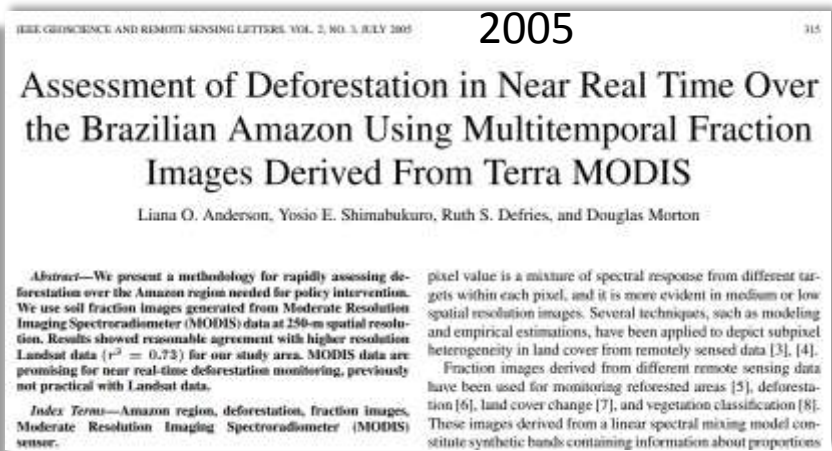
1. Quantifying burned areas



RESUMO
O objetivo desta pesquisa foi analisar os dados do sensor MODIS para detectar e monitorar cicatrizes de áreas recém queimadas. Utilizamos imagens da reflectância de superfície do sensor MODIS: produto MOD09 (da 5 de outubro) e produto MOD13A1 (meses de outubro e novembro). Foi analisada também uma série temporal de um ano dos índices de vegetação (TVI, EVI e NDVI (produto MOD13A1)). Uma imagem do sensor ETM+ (da 5 de outubro) foi utilizada como base para a delimitação dos polígonos amostrais e análise dos dados MODIS devido a sua melhor resolução espacial. A metodologia focou na aplicação do modelo linear de mistura



Abstract
An increased frequency of droughts is predicted for the Amazon rainforest in the 21st century, which, combined with deforestation, could exacerbate fire occurrence in the



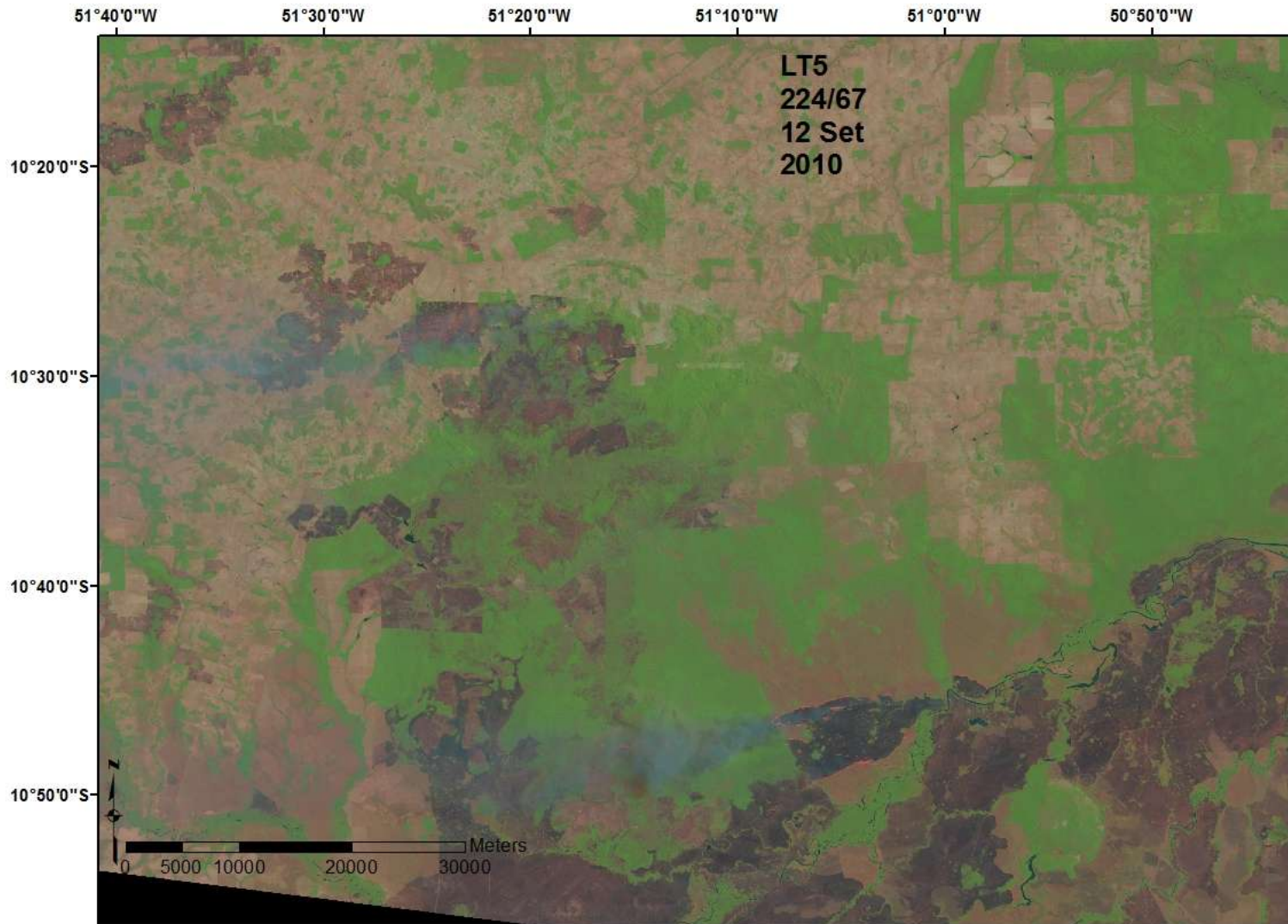
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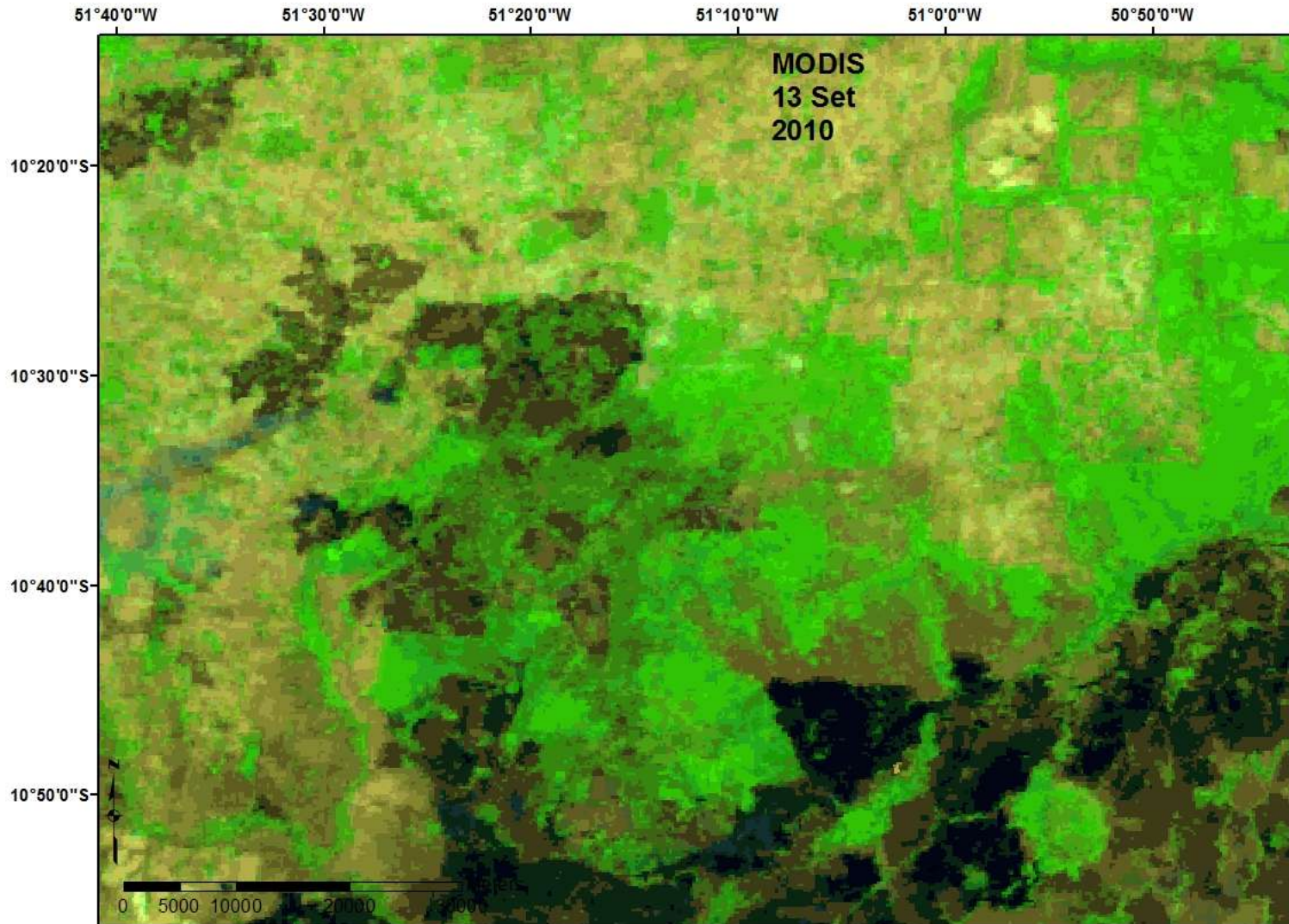
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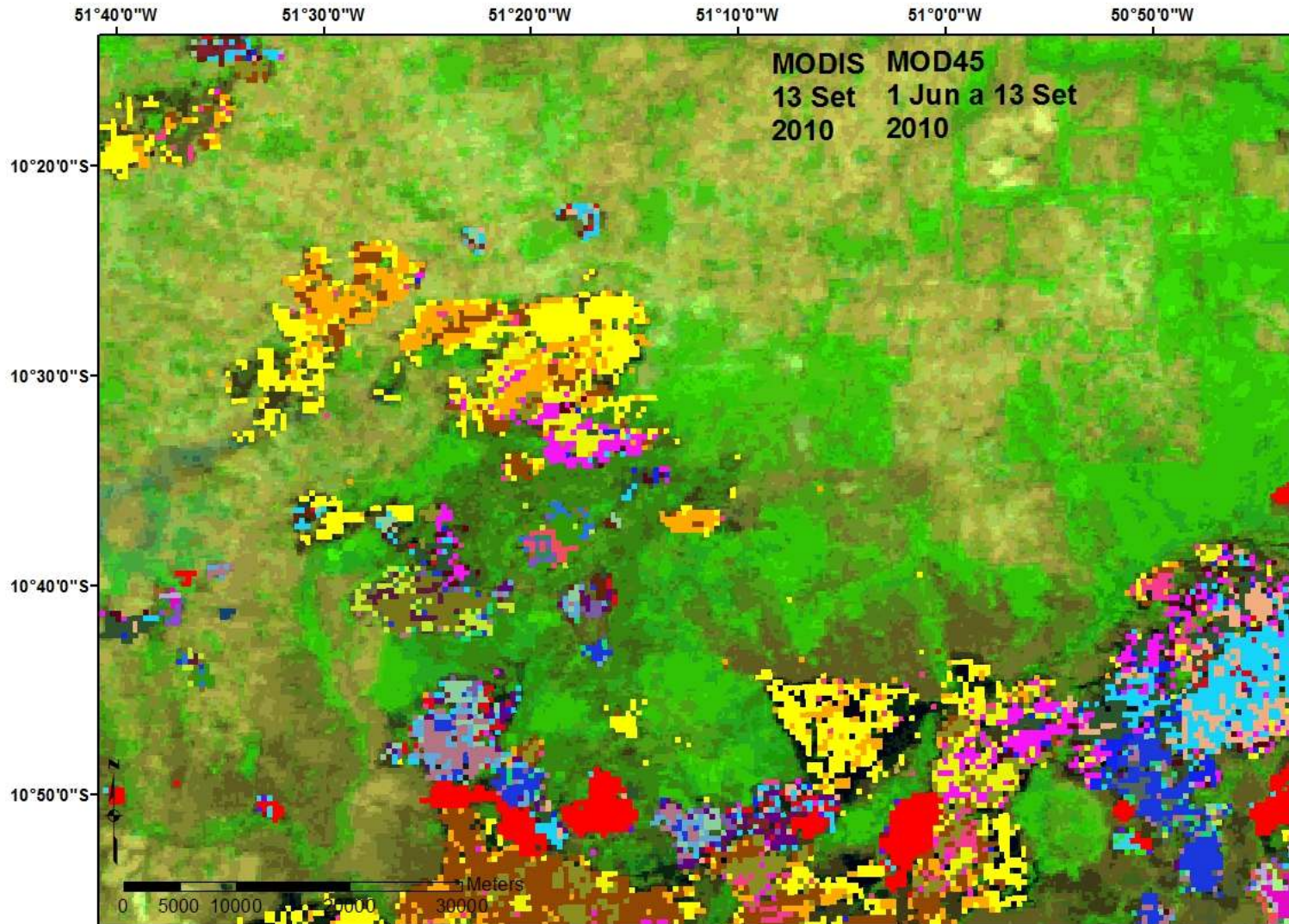
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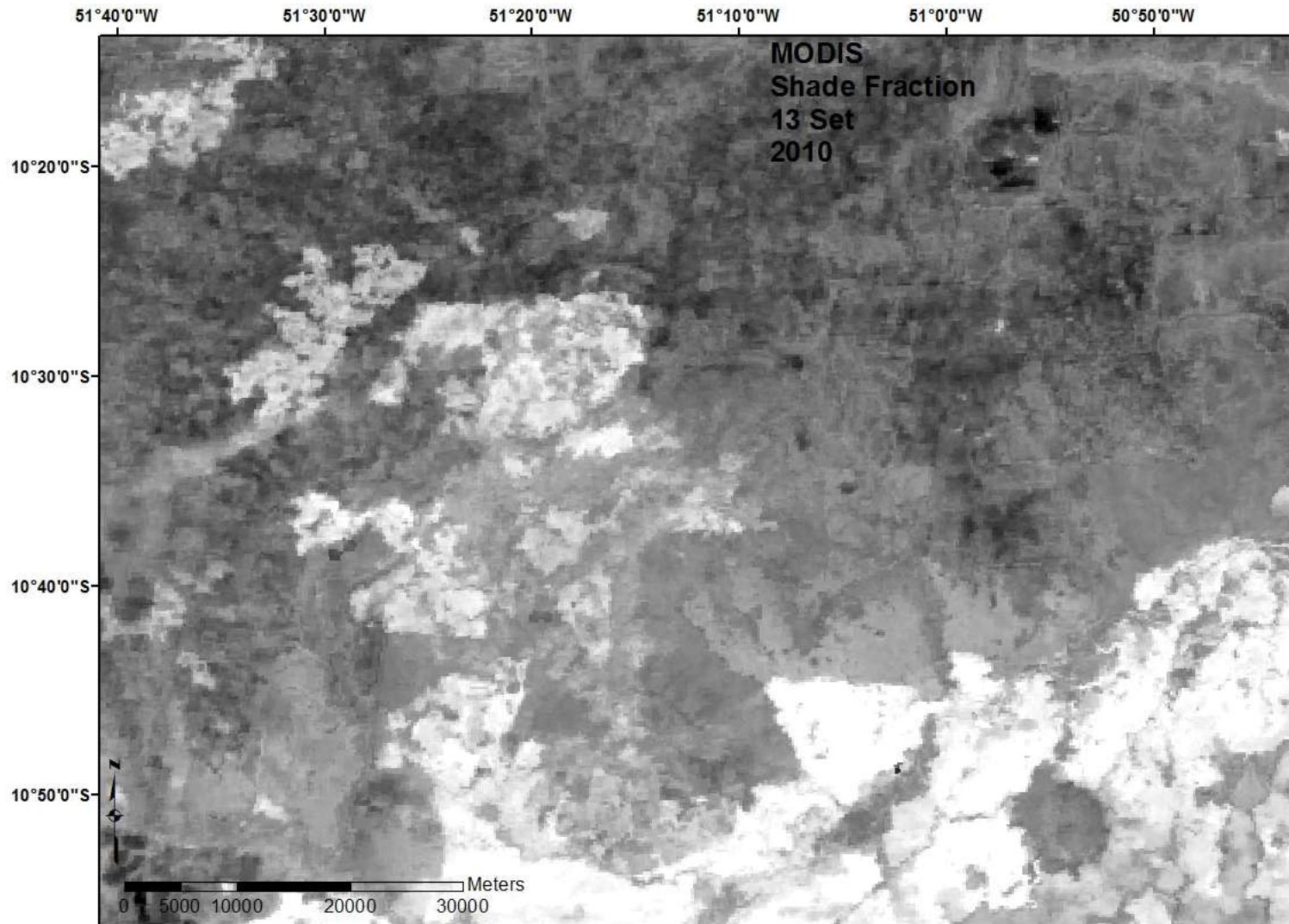
Product MOD45 - MODIS Burned Area Product



Subestimativa de áreas afetadas pelo fogo

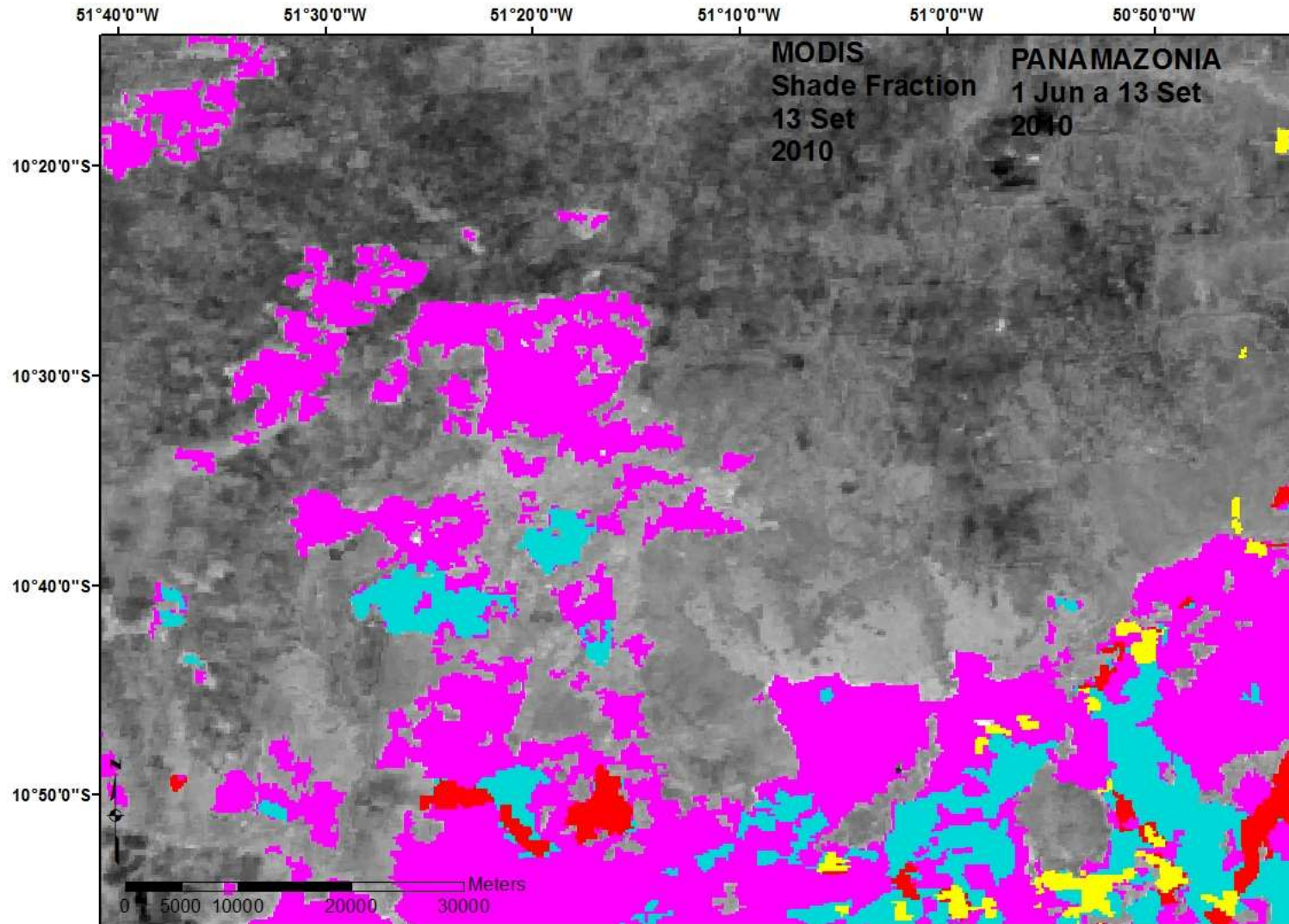
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Shade fraction image based on the Product MOD09 – 13 Sept 2010



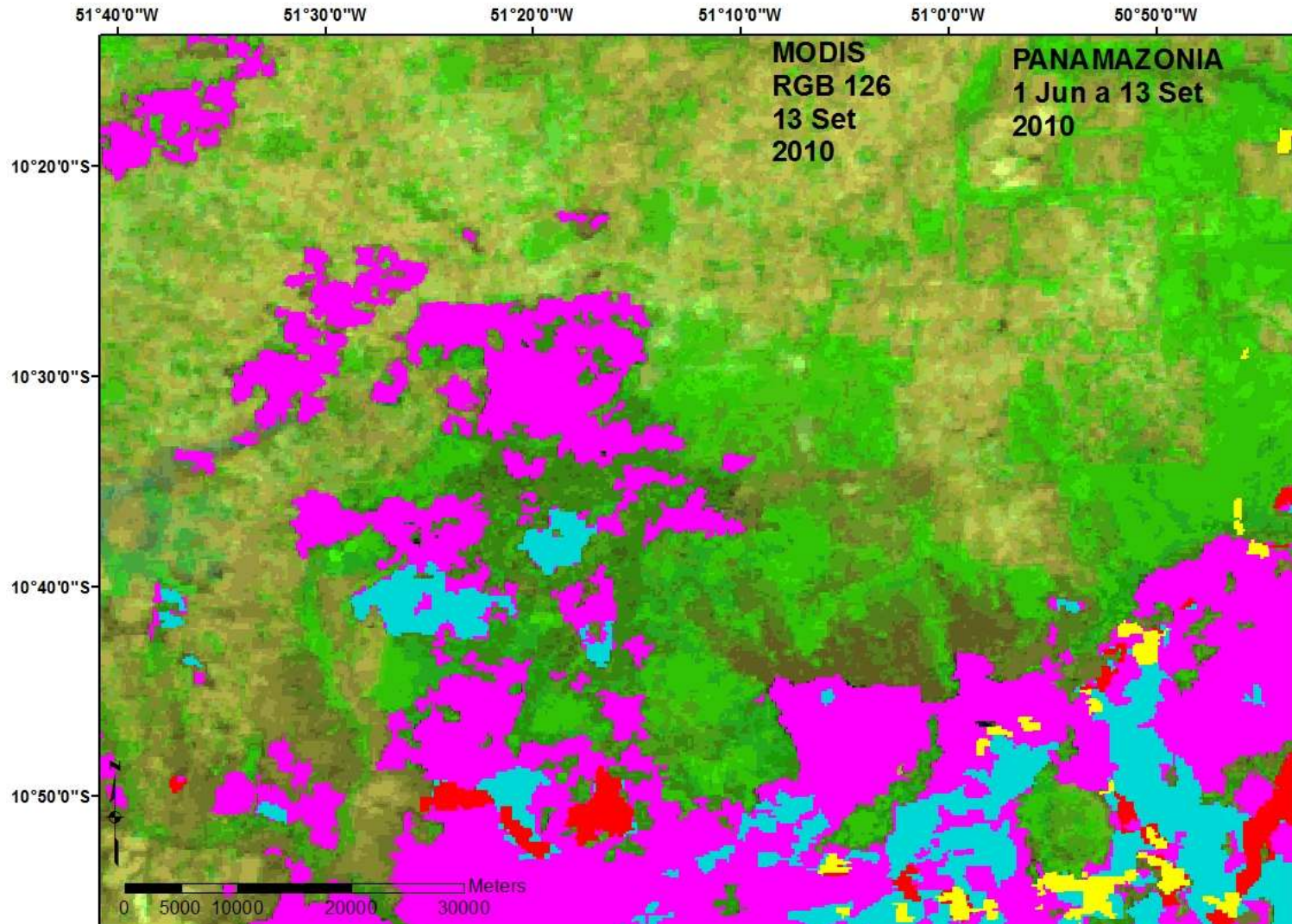
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Burned area classification – 13 Sept 2010



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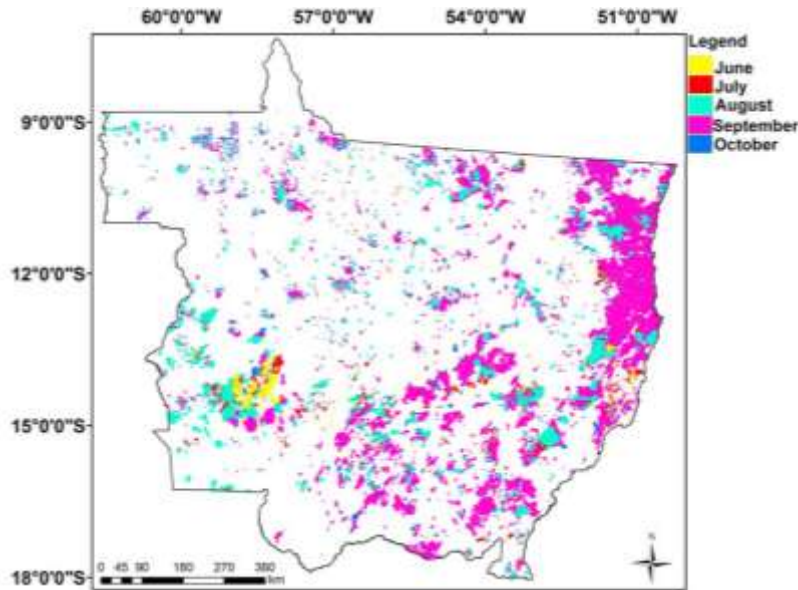
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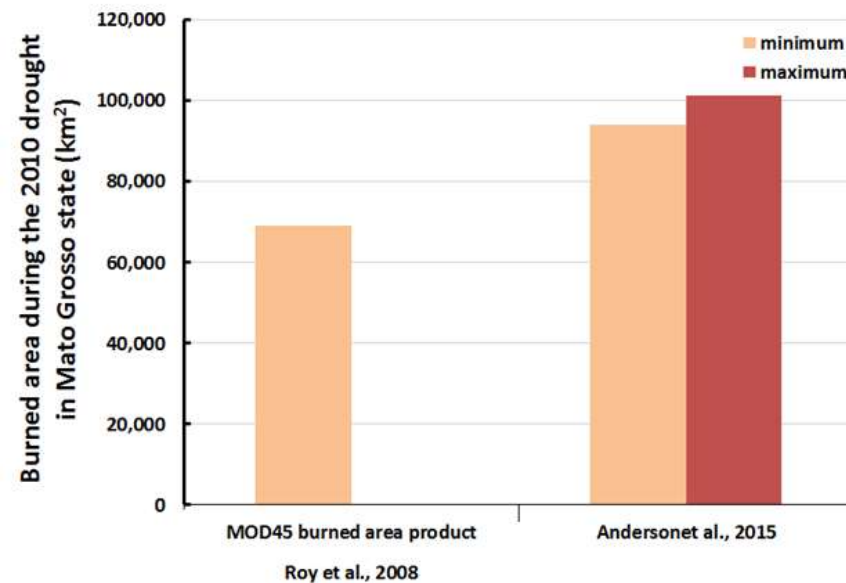
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During the 2010 drought



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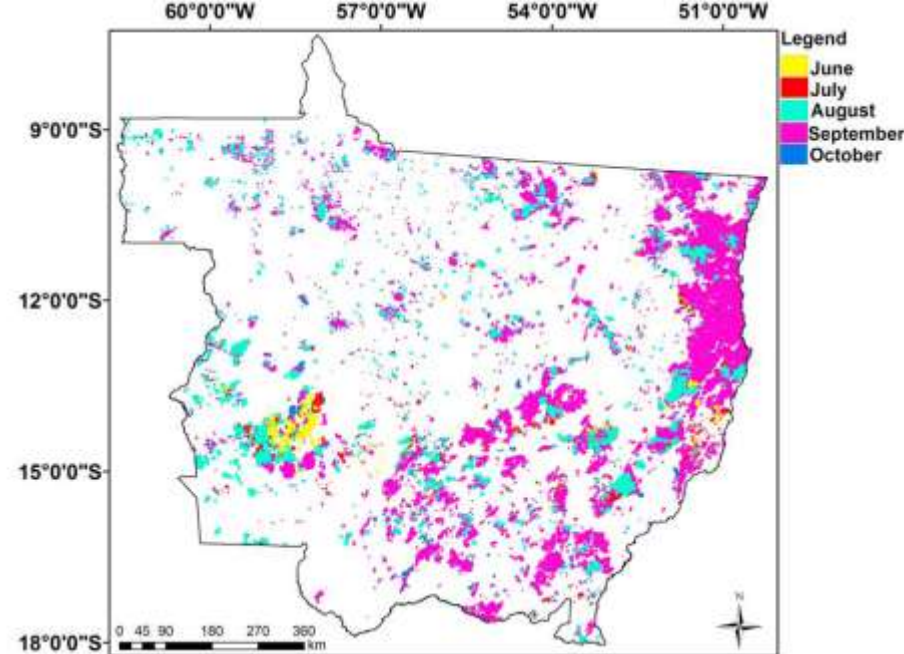
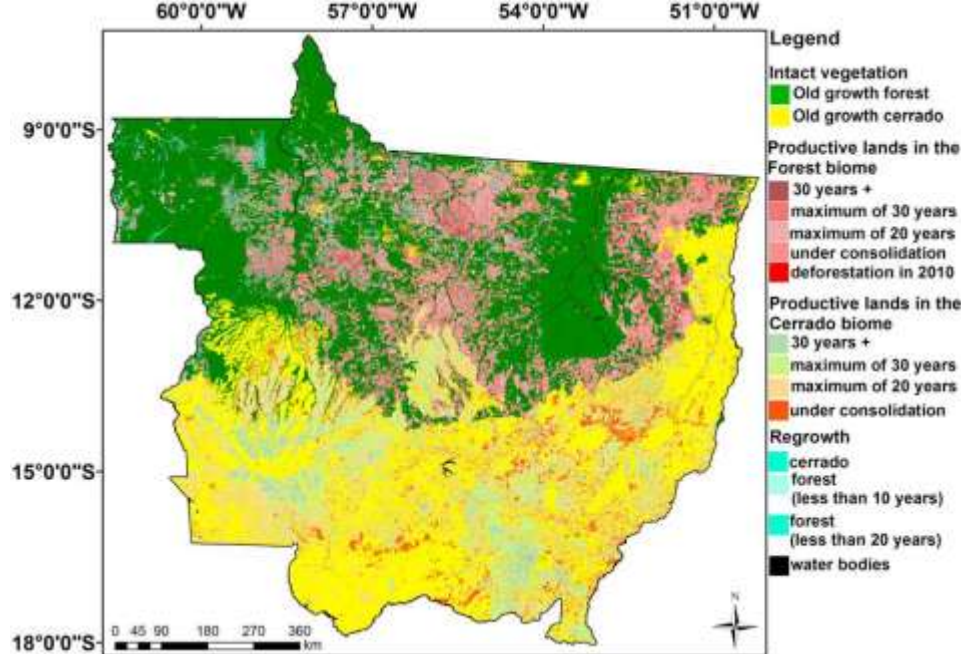


Table 2. Biomass of Affected Area, Biomass Loss, Gross, and Committed C Emissions Due to Fires Per Land Cover Type During the Dry Season in 2010^a

	Biomass (Mg ha ⁻¹) of the Affected Areas Mean (±Error)	Biomass Loss Due to Fires (Mg ha ⁻¹) Mean (±Error)	Gross C Emission in 2010 (Tg) (±Total Error)	Committed C Emission (Tg) (±Total Error)	Total Carbon Loss (Tg) (±Total Error)	% of Carbon Loss
Intact vegetation						
Old-growth forest	176.3 (±34.63)	51.63 (±19.6)	5.05 (±1.92)	27.2 (±10.4)	32.3 (±12.28)	37.87
Old-growth cerrado	40.23 (±33.43)	11.71 (±4.79)	34.1 (±13.9)	-	34.1 (±13.94)	39.98
Productive lands in the forest biome						
Permanent productive for 30 years +	53.69 (±33.27)	15.65 (±6.40)	0.46 (±0.19)	-	0.46 (±0.19)	0.54
Permanent productive for maximum of 30 years	68.42 (±33.67)	19.95 (±8.16)	0.99 (±0.40)	-	0.99 (±0.40)	1.16
Permanent productive for maximum of 20 years	105 (±34.62)	30.61 (±12.5)	5.13 (±2.10)	-	5.13 (±2.09)	6.01
Under consolidation (productive for 10 years or less)	105 (±34.76)	17.29 (±7.07)	5.02 (±2.05)	-	5.02 (±2.053)	5.89
Deforestation in 2010	208.9 (±33.24)	60.91 (±23.0)	4.78 × 10 ⁻³ (±1.81 × 10 ⁻⁴)	3.01 × 10 ⁻² (±2.71 × 10 ⁻²)	9.56 × 10 ⁻³ (±3.61 × 10 ⁻³)	0.01
Productive lands in the cerrado biome						
Permanent productive for 30 years +	27.17 (±32.09)	7.92 (±3.24)	1.00 (±0.41)	-	1.00 (±0.41)	1.17
Permanent productive for maximum of 30 years	33.5 (±32.39)	9.76 (±3.99)	1.22 (±0.49)	-	1.22 (±0.49)	1.43
Permanent productive for maximum of 20 years	31.14 (±32.22)	9.08 (±3.71)	1.99 (±0.81)	-	1.99 (±0.81)	2.33
Under consolidation (productive for 10 years or less)	31.14 (±32.61)	9.29 (±3.80)	9.75 × 10 ⁻² (±1.22 × 10 ⁻²)	-	9.75 × 10 ⁻² (±0.21)	0.11
Regrowth						
Forest regrowth (less than 10 years)	148.8 (±34.82)	49.74 (±18.9)	0.30 (±0.11)	1.64 (±0.62)	1.95 (±0.74)	2.29
Deforestation in 2010 on less than 10 years regrowth	131.2 (±34.76)	85.27 (±0.0)	0.45 (±0.0)	0.45 (±0.0)	0.91 (±0.0)	1.07
Total	-	-	56.1 (±22.5)	29.4 (±10.0)	85.3 (±33.2)	100

^aThe error associated with the biomass of affected areas was derived from the AGB error map from *Saatchi et al.* [2011]. The errors associated with biomass loss, carbon loss, and emissions were derived from the Monte Carlo simulations.

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Determining confidence interval and Accuracy

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7 **Development of a Point-based method for Map Validation and** 8 **Confidence Interval Estimation: A case study of Burned Areas** 9 **in Amazonia**

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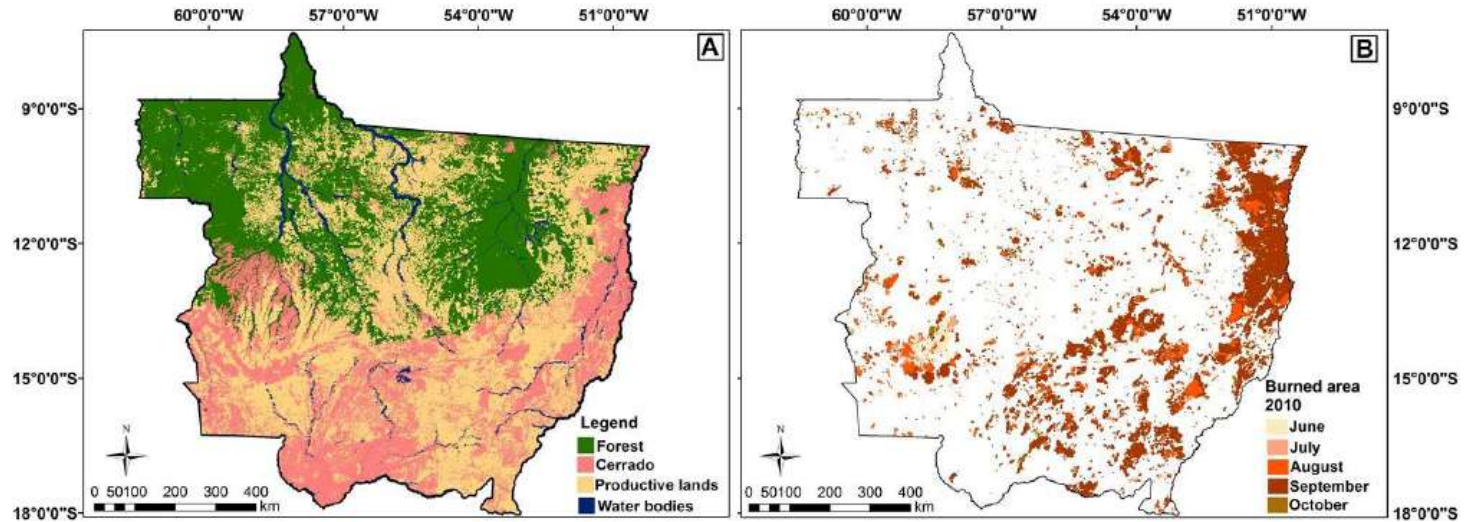


Figure 1: (a) Land cover classes in 2010 for Mato Grosso state. The forest class encompasses forests and forests regrowth, while non-forests are all the other land cover types; (b) Mapped burned areas from June to mid-October 2010.

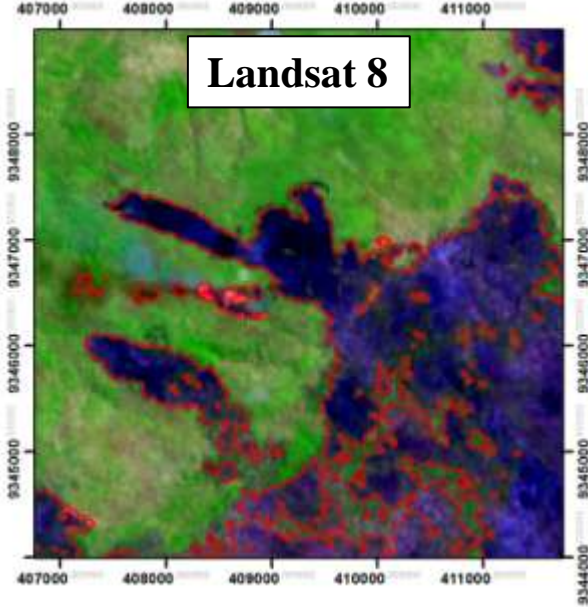
By considering the area uncertainty provided by the validation scheme, the old growth forest area burned ranged from 13,678 km² to 13,929 km². The extent of the 2010 forest fires in Mato Grosso are close to southern Amazonian intact forests that were affected by fires in 2010 for the first time (13,570 km²), or 73% to 75% of all understory forest fires mapped for 2010 in southern Amazonia (18,499 km²) [55].

Non-forests burned areas were estimated to have affected from 78,089 km² to 83,107 km², an area approximately 6 times larger than the estimates of the 2010 burned forests. It has been

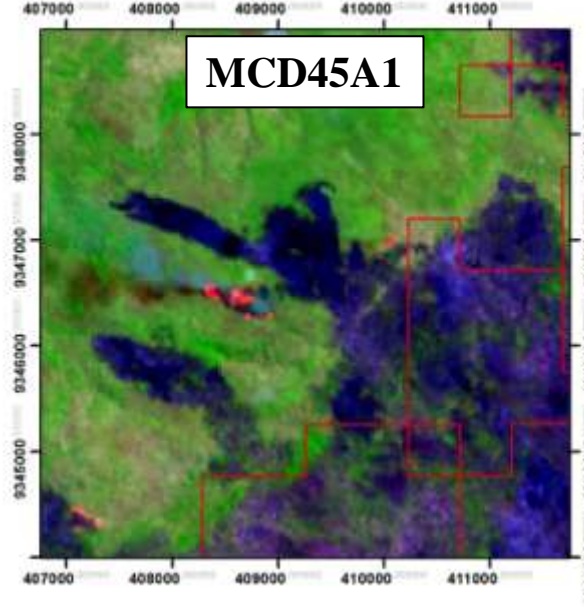
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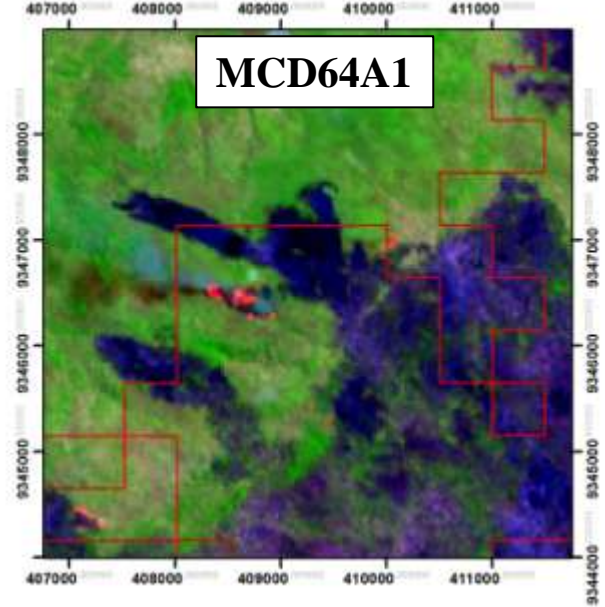
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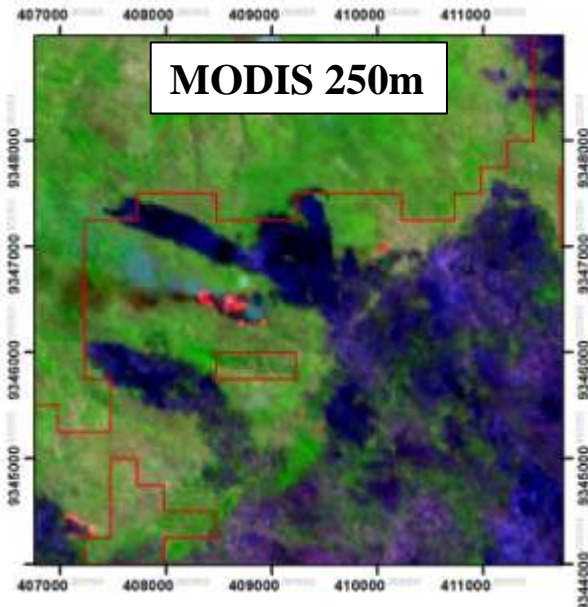
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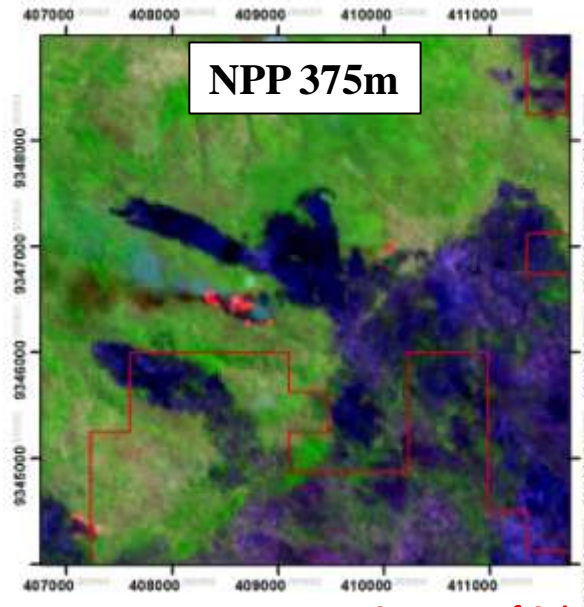
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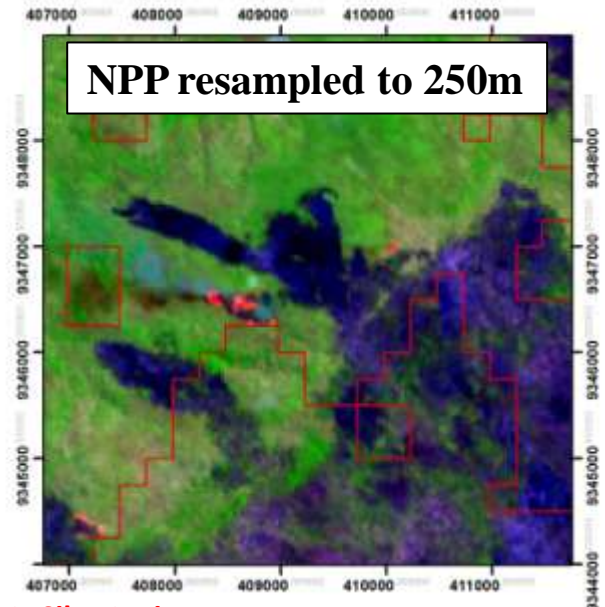
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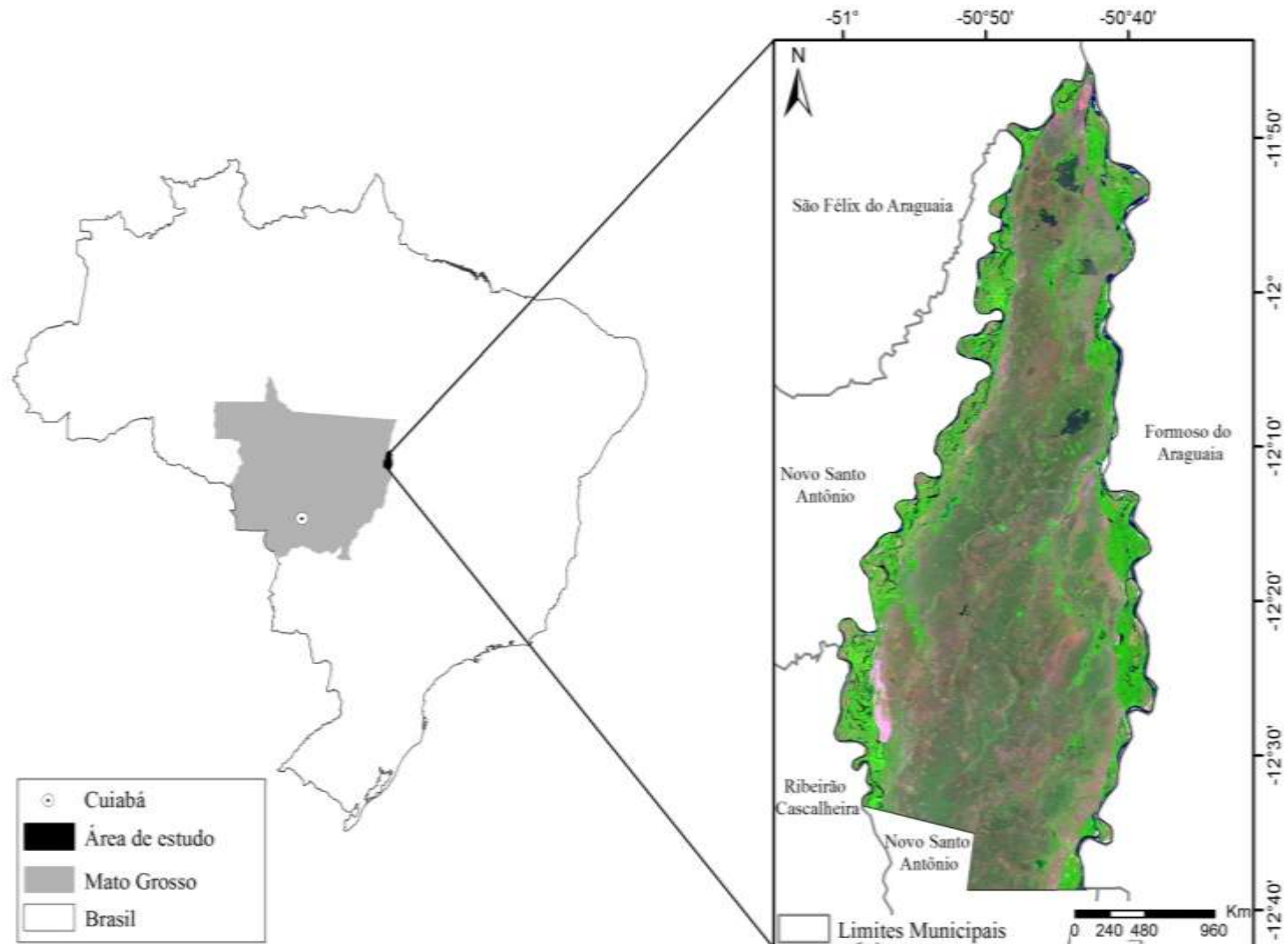
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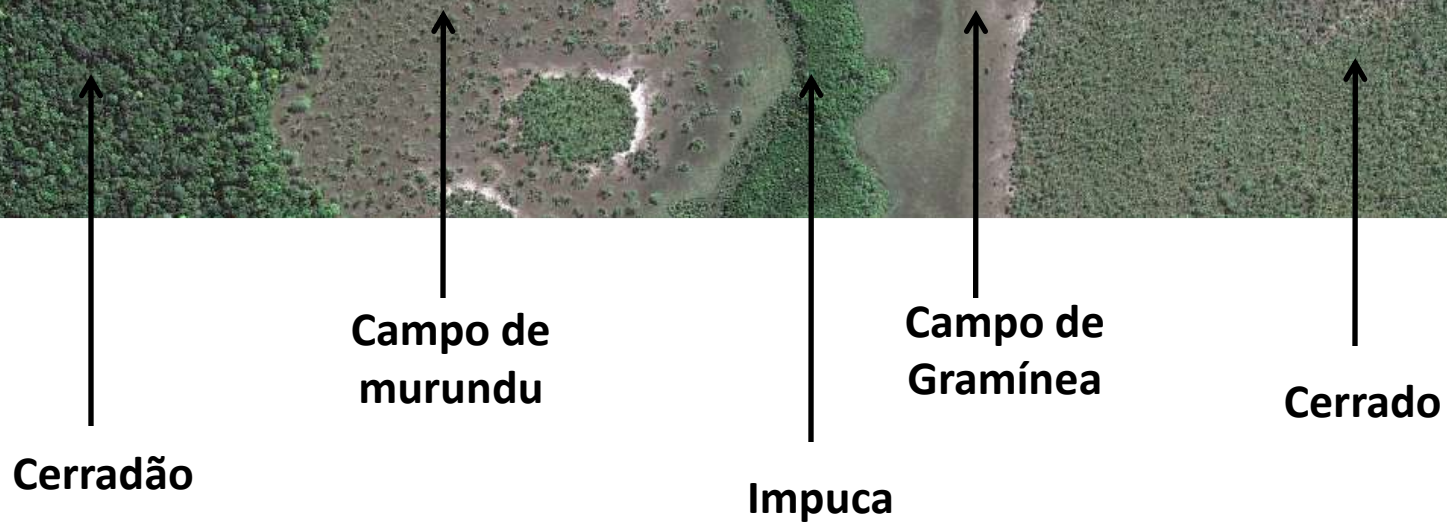
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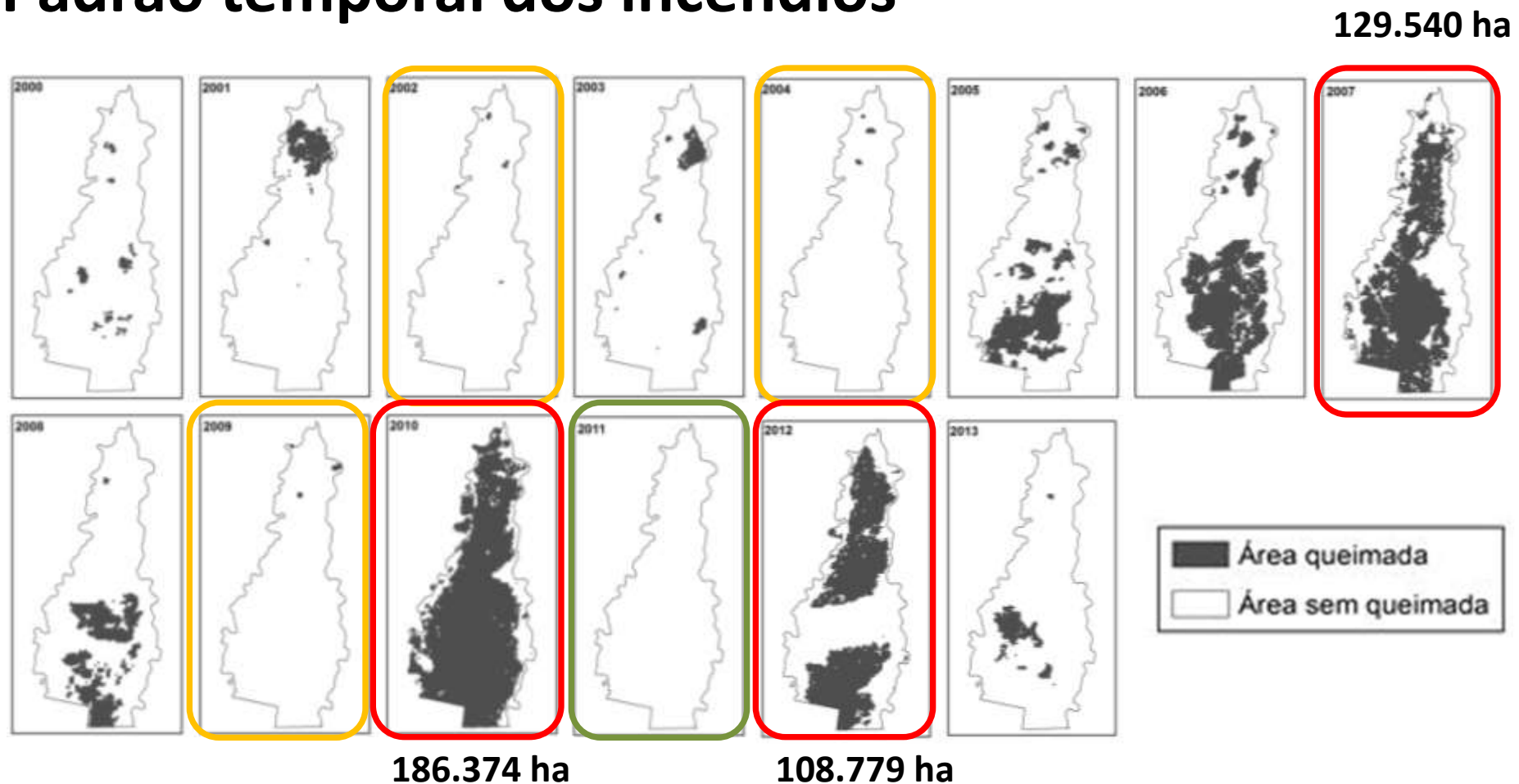
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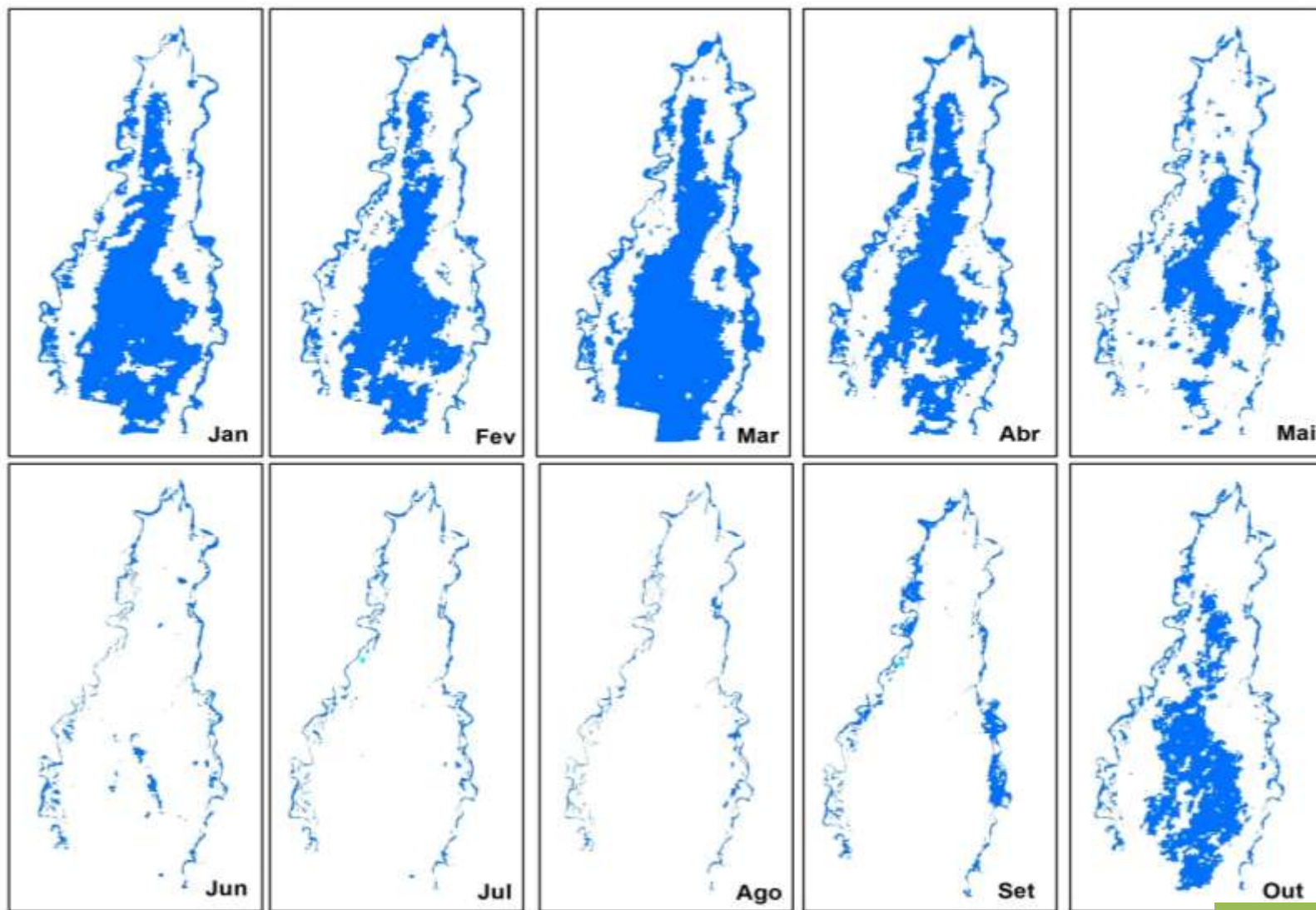
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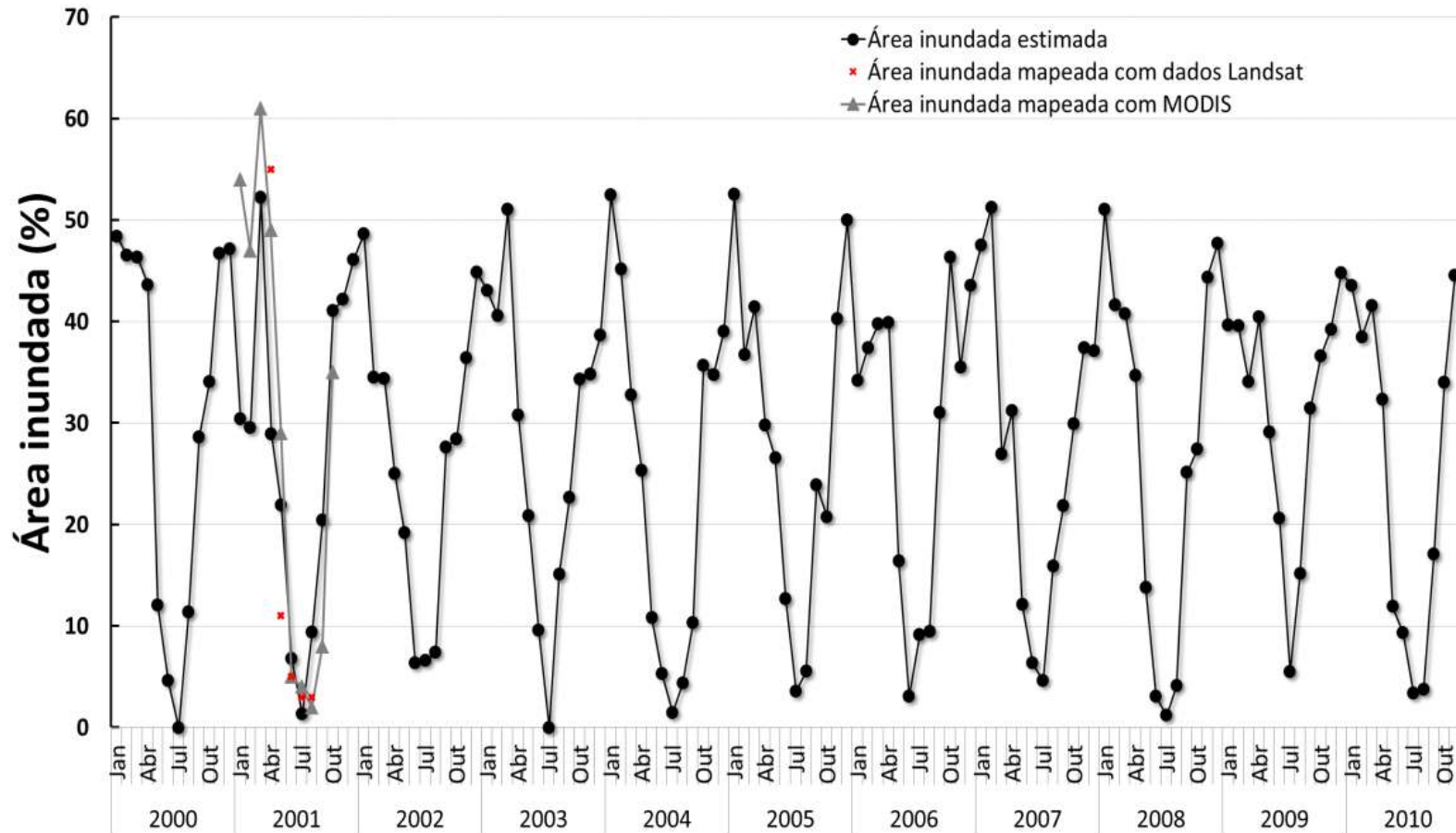
Padrão temporal dos incêndios



Dinâmica de Inundação



Extrapolação da área inundada



Série histórica de inundações do Parque Estadual do Araguaia entre 2000 e 2010.

2. Carbon emission from fires



Brazilian National Plan on Climate Change

Decree number 7.390/2010

PROJECTION TO THE YEAR 2020: of 0,87 Pg C


TARGET AIMED FOR 2020: 0,53 Pg C to 0,55 Pg C, from which 0,25 Pg C is the projected emission from deforestation in the Amazon.

Our aircraft measurements:

During the 2011 anomalous wet year: fires were responsible for 0.30 ± 0.10 Pg C (higher than the projected reductions aimed from deforestation)

During the extreme dry year of 2010: fires were responsible 0.51 ± 0.12 Pg C, an emission close to the total reduction planed by the Brazilian government for the year 2020.

Overview



To understand the role of fires on C emissions and effectively support and drive the development of mitigation strategies, including fire prevention and management, it is necessary to **break down emissions** into natural forest and savannah fires, land management fires and deforestation-related fires.

Moreover, it is important to quantify the role of the different fire types, as only wildfires in denser vegetation or fires associated with deforestation represent a long-term net source of CO₂ to the atmosphere.

2. Quantifying the associated C emissions

In summary, our model of gross emission follows:

$$F = \lambda_{(ldcover)} \cdot B_{i(x,y)} \cdot (1 - \alpha_{(x,y)}) dA_{(x,y)},$$

$$F' = \lambda'_{(ldcover)} \cdot B'_{i(x,y)} \cdot (1 - \alpha'_{(x,y)}) dA'_{(x,y)} \text{ (Monte Carlo)}$$

where:

F (ton yr⁻¹) is carbon the gross emission (immediate flux to the atmosphere).

$\lambda_{(ldcover)}$ is the 'decay or release constant (yr⁻¹) specific to each land cover type (ha).

$B_{i(x,y)}$ is the pre-burn biomass density (Mg ha⁻¹) for the pixel at location (x,y)

α is the slope of the Equation 1 ($\alpha = 0.7084$)

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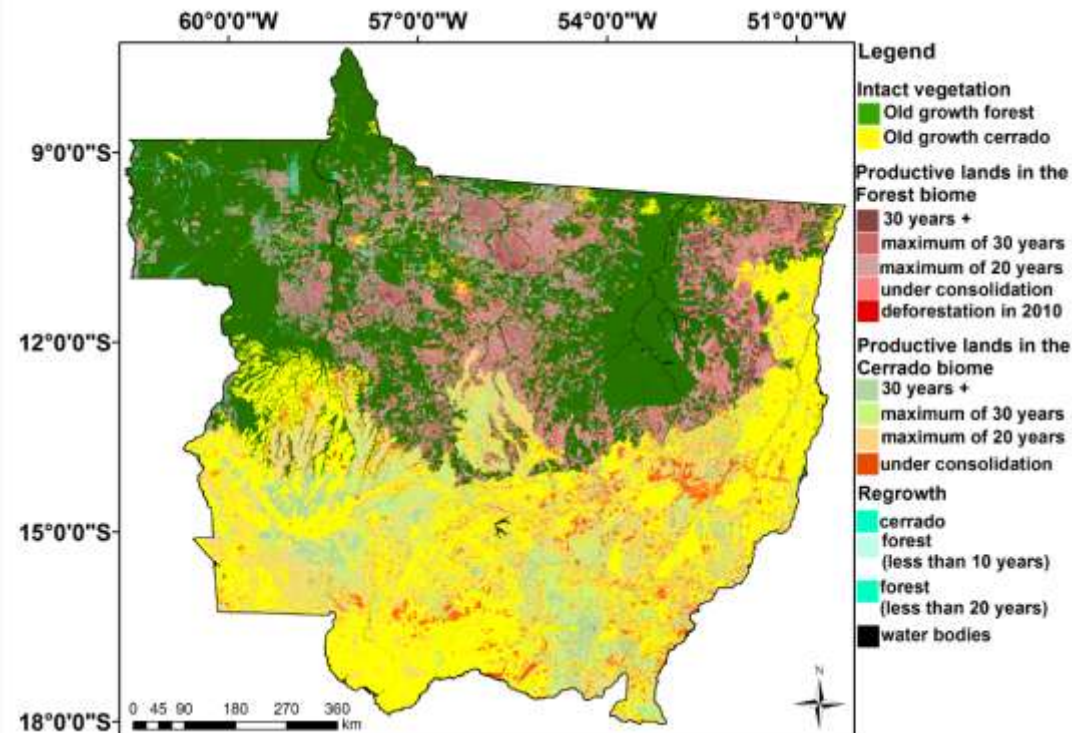
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Identification of land cover type has an accuracy of 80% (i.e. in 80% of the cases the land classification is correct, with a confidence interval from 74% to 87%) > Varying randomly this parameter uniformly distributed.



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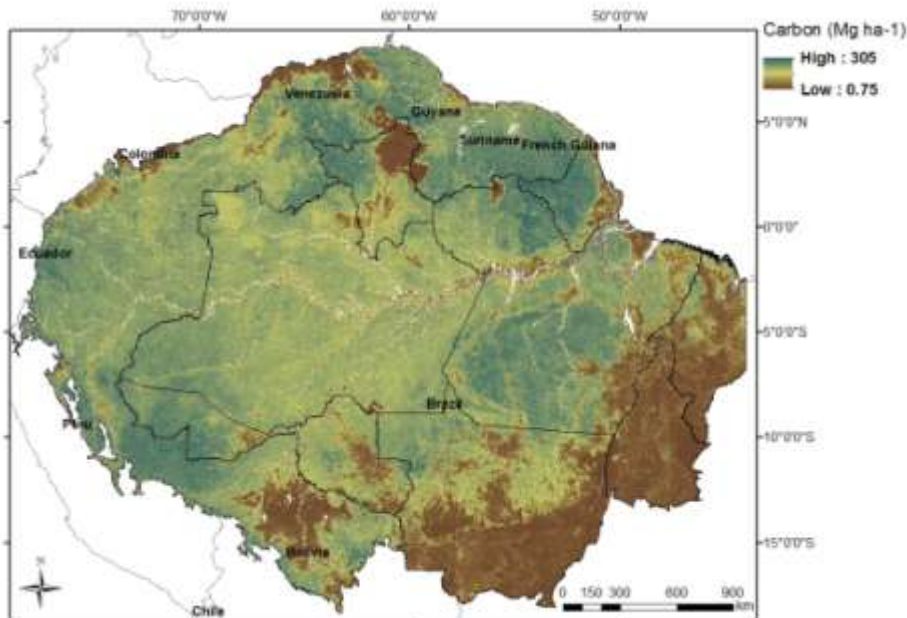
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Forest and non-forest pixels > varying randomly this parameter with an approximately normally distributed.



Saatchi et al., PNAS, 2011.

Anderson et al., 2015 Global Biogeochem. Cycles

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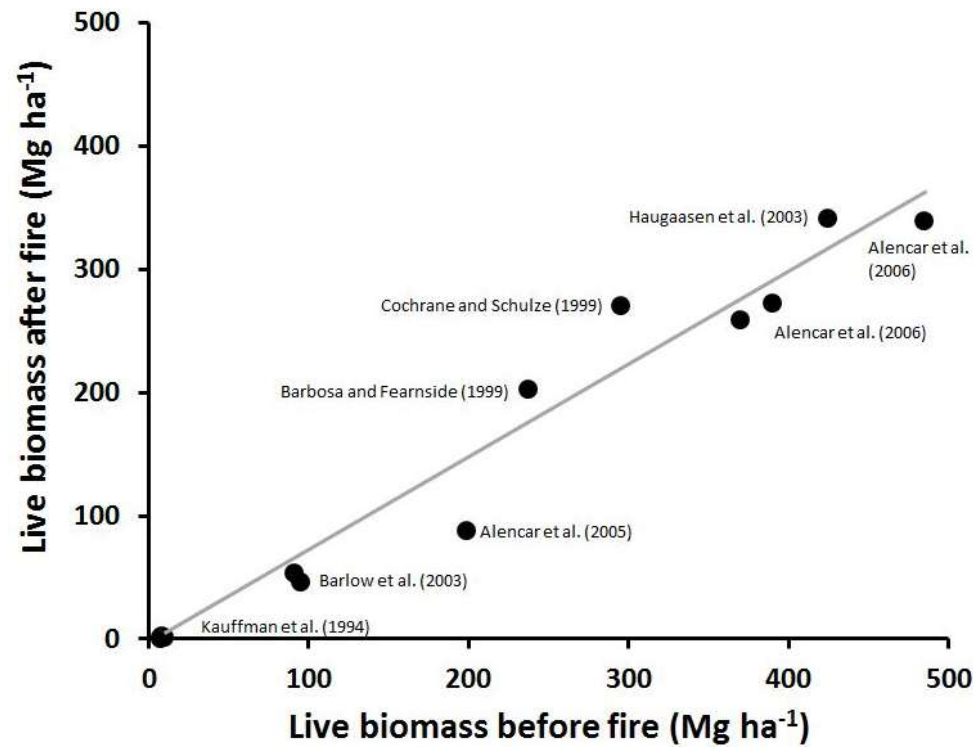
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α is the slope of the Equation $B_f = 0.7084 \cdot B_i$ (B = biomass, f = final, i = initial)

$\alpha \pm 0.034$ ($Mg\ Mg^{-1}$) slope and its uncertainty is estimated using a linear regression which takes into account both x and y errors [York et al., 2004, Unified equations for the slope, intercept, and standard errors of the best straight line. Am. J. Phys. 72 (3)]



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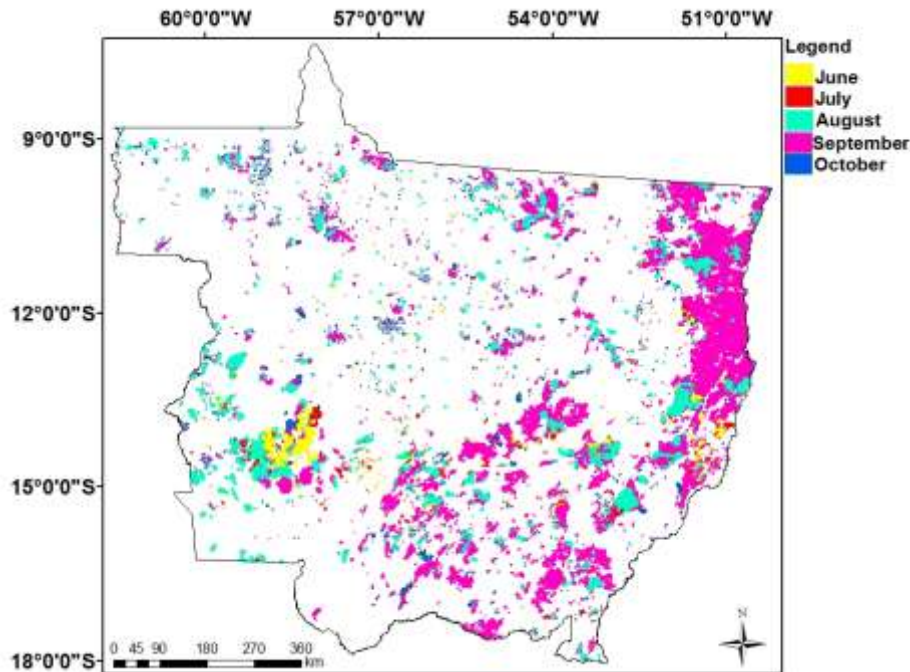
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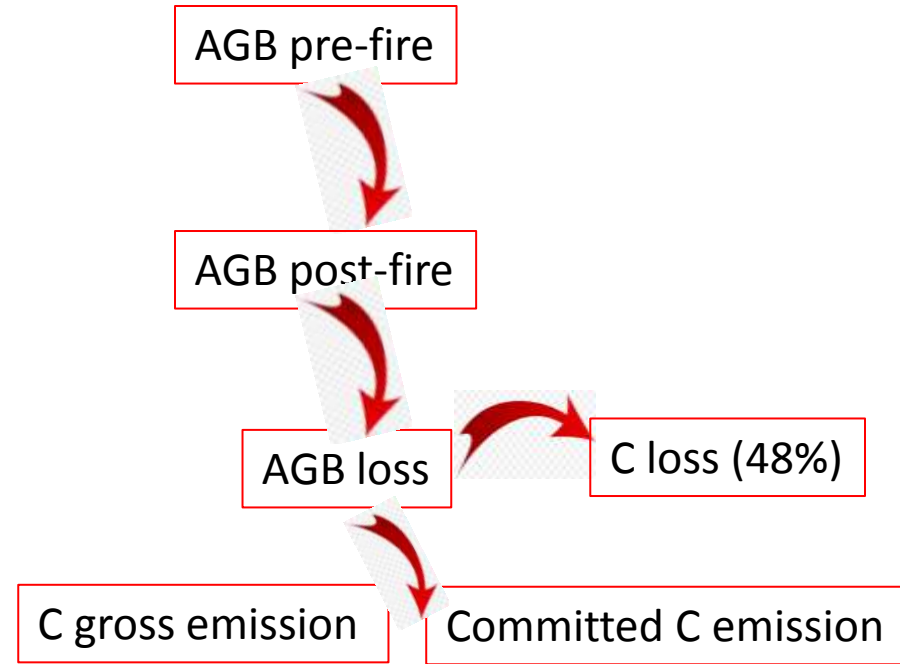
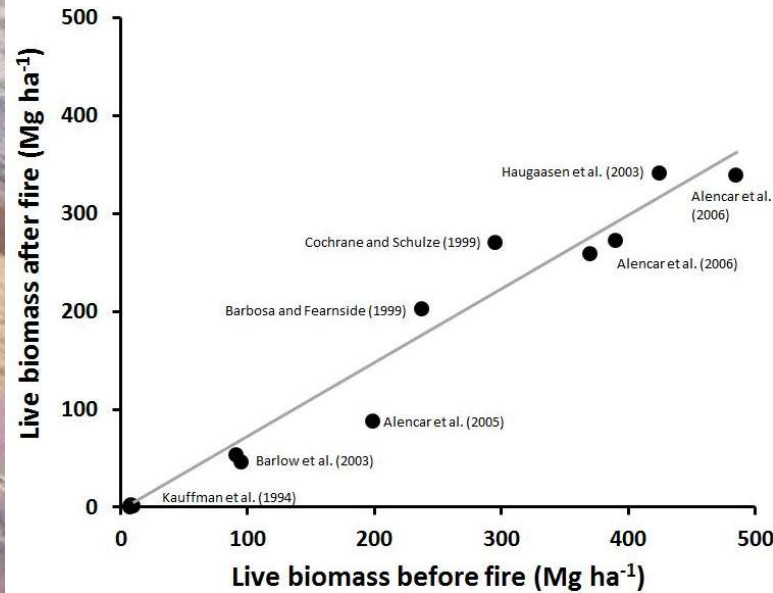
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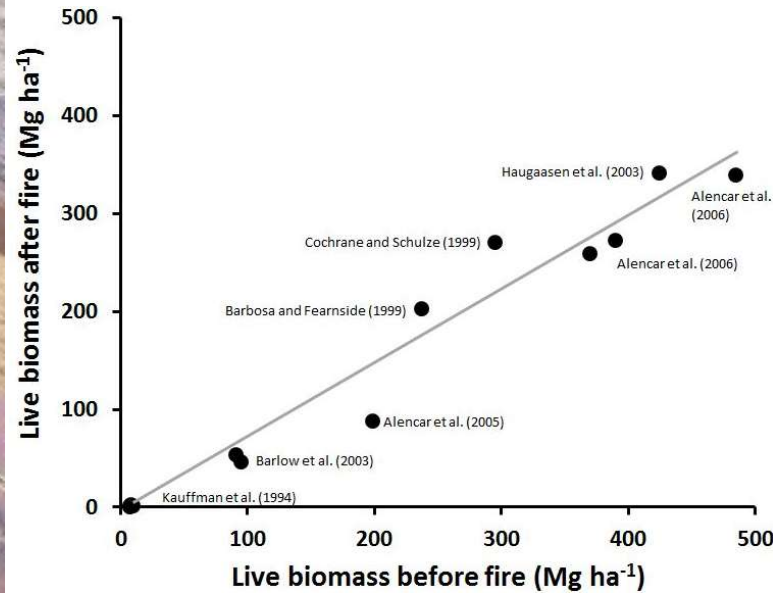
An accuracy of 99.2% (confidence interval of 97.67% to 99.48%) for forests and an accuracy of 96.93% (confidence interval of 93.76% to 98.92%) for the non-forest classes > Varying randomly this parameter uniformly distributed.



Detailing the C emission model



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AGB pre-fire

AGB post-fire

AGB loss

C loss (48%)

C gross emission

Committed C emission

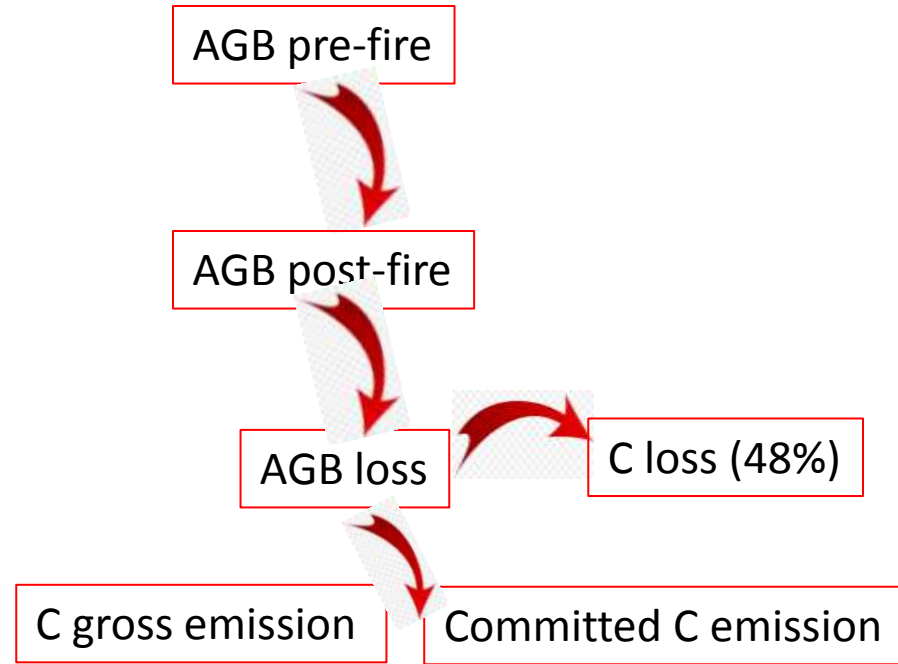
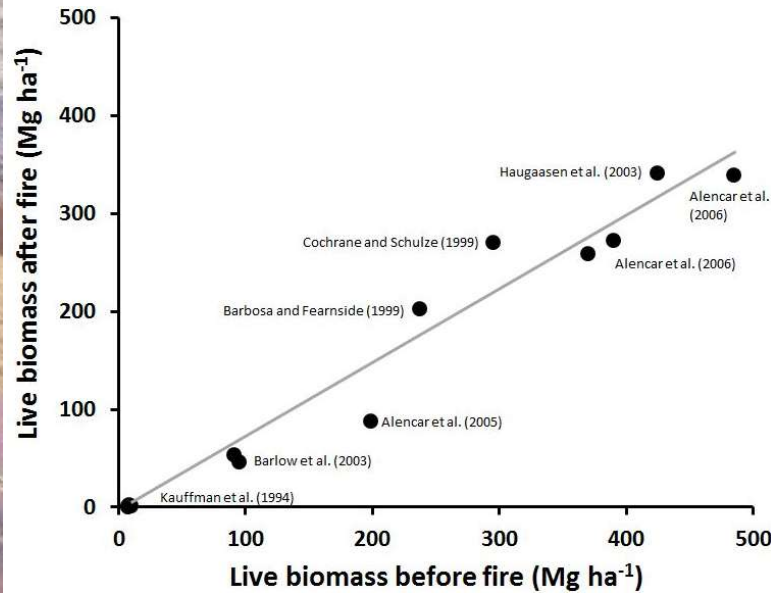
C gross emission

Forests: 1st year of decomposition due to tree mortality

50% of deforestation in forest

100% of pastures, agriculture and cerrado

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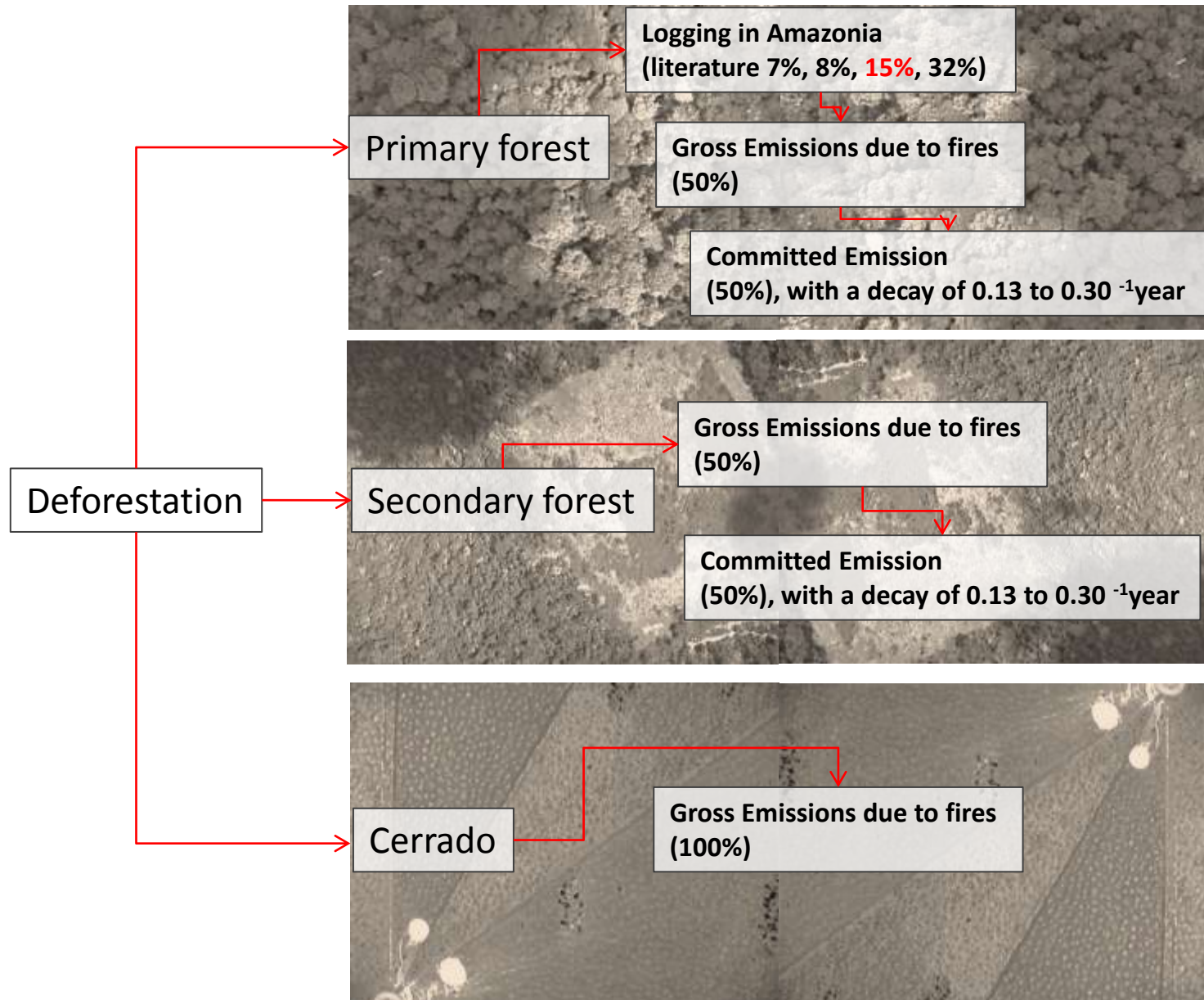


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Deforestation in 2010	208.9 (±33.24)	60.91 (±23.0)	4.78x10 ⁻³ (±1.81x10 ⁻⁴)	3.01x10 ⁻² (±2.71x10 ⁻²)	9.56x10 ⁻³ (±3.61x10 ⁻³)	0.01
Productive lands in the Cerrado biome						
Permanent productive for 30 years +	27.17 (±32.09)	7.92 (±3.24)	1.00 (±0.41)		1.00 (±0.41)	1.17
Permanent productive for maximum of 30 years	33.5 (±32.39)	9.76 (±3.99)	1.22 (±0.49)		1.22 (±0.49)	1.43
Permanent productive for maximum of 20 years	31.14 (±32.22)	9.08 (±3.71)	1.99 (±0.81)		1.99 (±0.81)	2.33
Under consolidation (productive for 10 years or less)	31.14 (±32.61)	9.29 (±3.80)	9.75x10 ⁻² (±1.22x10 ⁻²)		9.75 x10 ⁻² (±0.21)	0.11
Regrowth						
Cerrado	37.51 (±32.55)	9.42 (±3.01)	9.21x10 ⁻² (±3.76x10 ⁻²)		9.21x10 ⁻² (±3.76x10 ⁻²)	0.11
Forest regrowth (less than 20 years)	208.1 (±34.11)	43.38 (±16.4)	1.03x10 ⁻³ (±3.87x10 ⁻⁴)	5.53x10 ⁻³ (±2.09 x10 ⁻³)	6.56x10 ⁻³ (±2.47x10 ⁻³)	0.01
Forest regrowth (less than 10 years)	148.8 (±34.82)	49.74 (±18.9)	0.30 (±0.11)	1.64 (±0.62)	1.95 (±0.74)	2.29
Deforestation in 2010 on less than 10 years regrowth	131.2 (±34.76)	85.27 (±0.0)	0.45 (±0.0)	0.45 (±0.0)	0.91 (±0.0)	1.07
Total			56.1 (±22.5)	29.4 (±10.0)	85.3 (±33.2)	100

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Overview

Brazil

Vast Amazon wildfire destroys forest in Brazil and threatens uncontacted tribe

The blaze, which has burned for two months on indigenous land and spread across 100km at its peak, is suspected to have been started by illegal loggers

Jonathan Watts in Rio de Janeiro

Friday 30 October 2015 10.30 GMT



Informativo CENAD nº 560 – 14/10/2015 - Tarde

AMAZONAS

O Governo do Amazonas decretou ontem (13/10) Estado de Emergência em 12 cidades por causa do número de **incêndios**. A decisão foi publicada no Diário Oficial do Estado (DOE). A vigência do decreto será de 90 dias e abrange as cidades de: Manaus, Autazes, Caapiranga, Careiro, Careiro da Varzea, Iranduba, Itacoatiara, Maracápurú, Maragá, Novo Airão, Presidente Figueiredo e Rio Preto da Eva.

AMAPÁ

A defesa civil Estadual informou a ocorrência de um **incêndio** que destrói uma área de reflorestamento na Vila Operária, próximo ao município de Serra do Navio. A grande quantidade de fumaça está afetando a população. Até o momento não há registro de desabrigados ou desalojados.

Fonte: CEDEC/AP

RIO GRANDE DO SUL

Atualização dos dados:
60 municípios atingidos
50.168 pessoas atingidas
5.795 pessoas desalojadas
3.475 pessoas em abrigos
10.212 residências atingidas

Taquari: 08 famílias em abrigos.
Estrela: 23 famílias em abrigos.
Rio Pardo: 30 famílias desabrigadas e 150 desalojadas.

Fonte: CEDEC/RS

PARANÁ e SANTA CATARINA: não houve alteração dos dados.

Atenciosamente,

Monitoramento e Operações / CENAD / SEDEC / MI
[0800 644 0199](tel:08006440199) (Plantão 24h)



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Target variable

Fire Risk (FR)

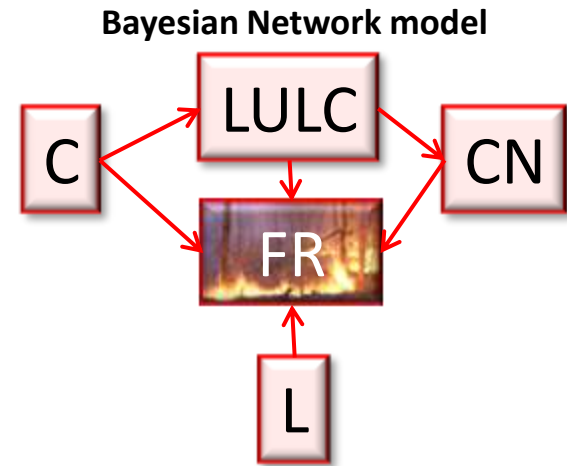
Context variables: exhibit any kind of relationship with the target variable and may exhibit relationships among themselves

Climatic variables (C)

Land use and land cover variables (LULC)

Census data (CN)

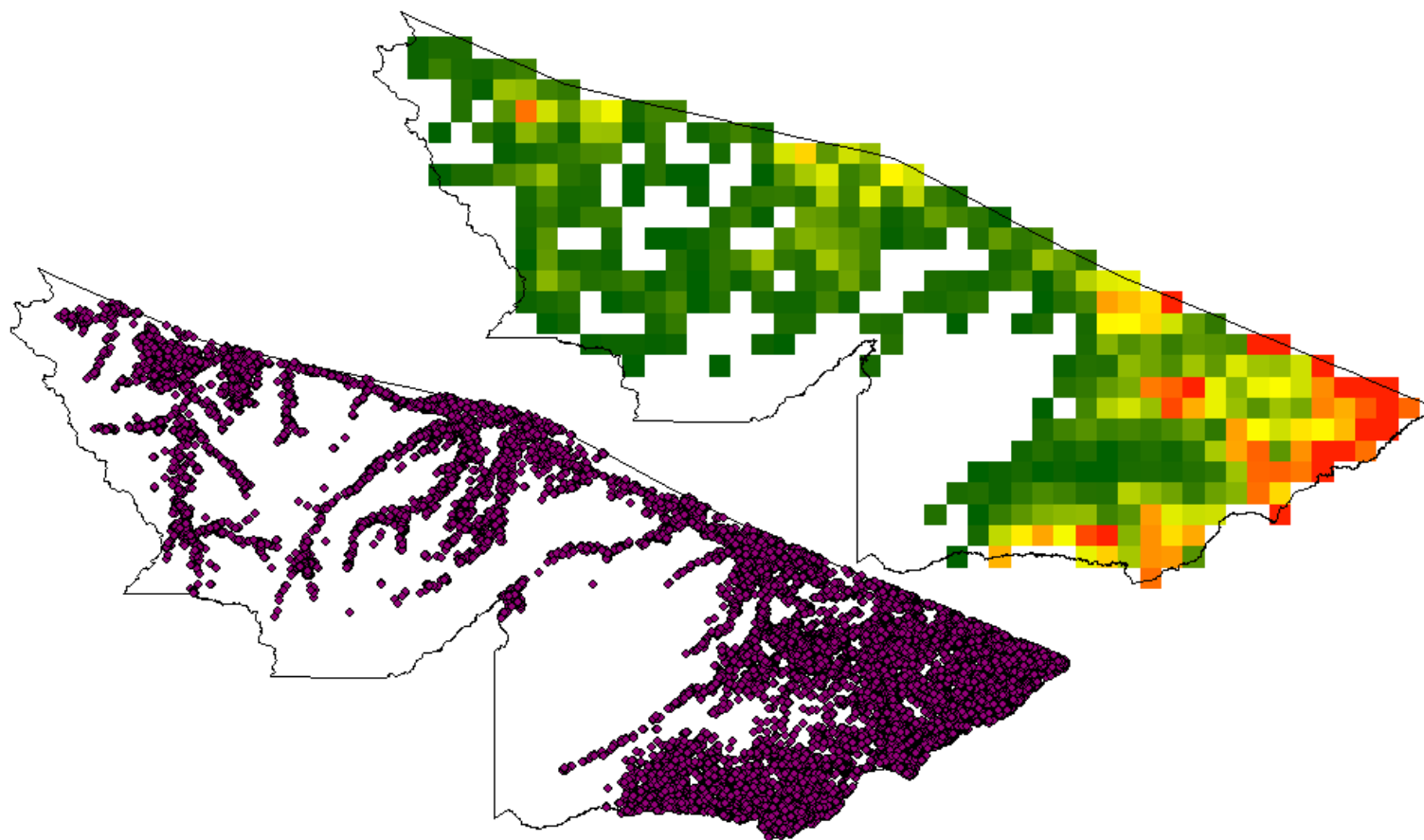
Local information (L)



Simplified Directed Acyclic Graph – DAG of my Fire Risk Model

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Pilot project: Acre State



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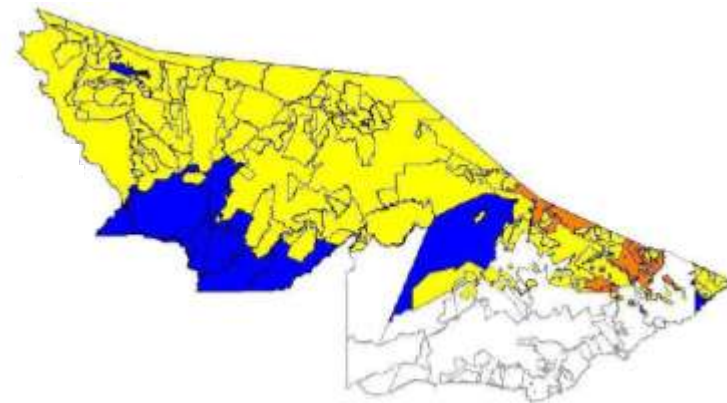
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B = índice de Angstron

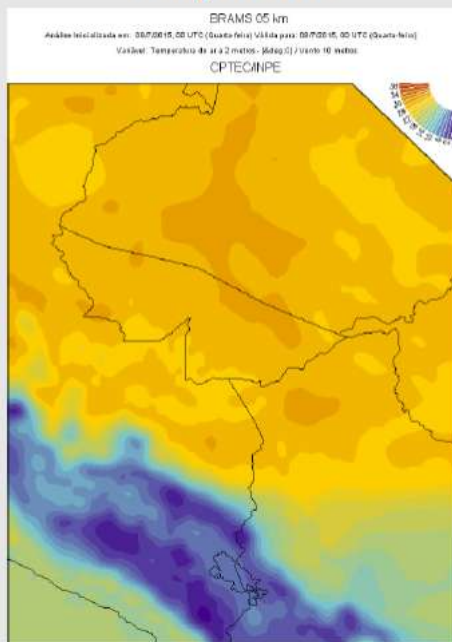
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T = temperatura do ar em °C

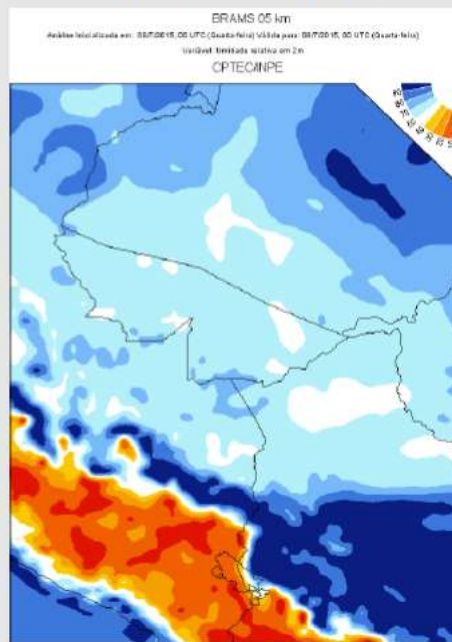


Dados: Sistema Regional de Modelagem Atmosférica **BRAMS**
5x5 Km

Temperatura



Umidade Relativa



**Processamento
TerraMA²**

NÍVEL DE ALERTA

VALOR RISCO	ALERTA
3	Observação
2,5	Atenção
2	Alerta
1,5	Alerta Máximo

RESULTADOS

Envio de notificação por e-mail;
Mapas de Risco;
Acesso informação internet

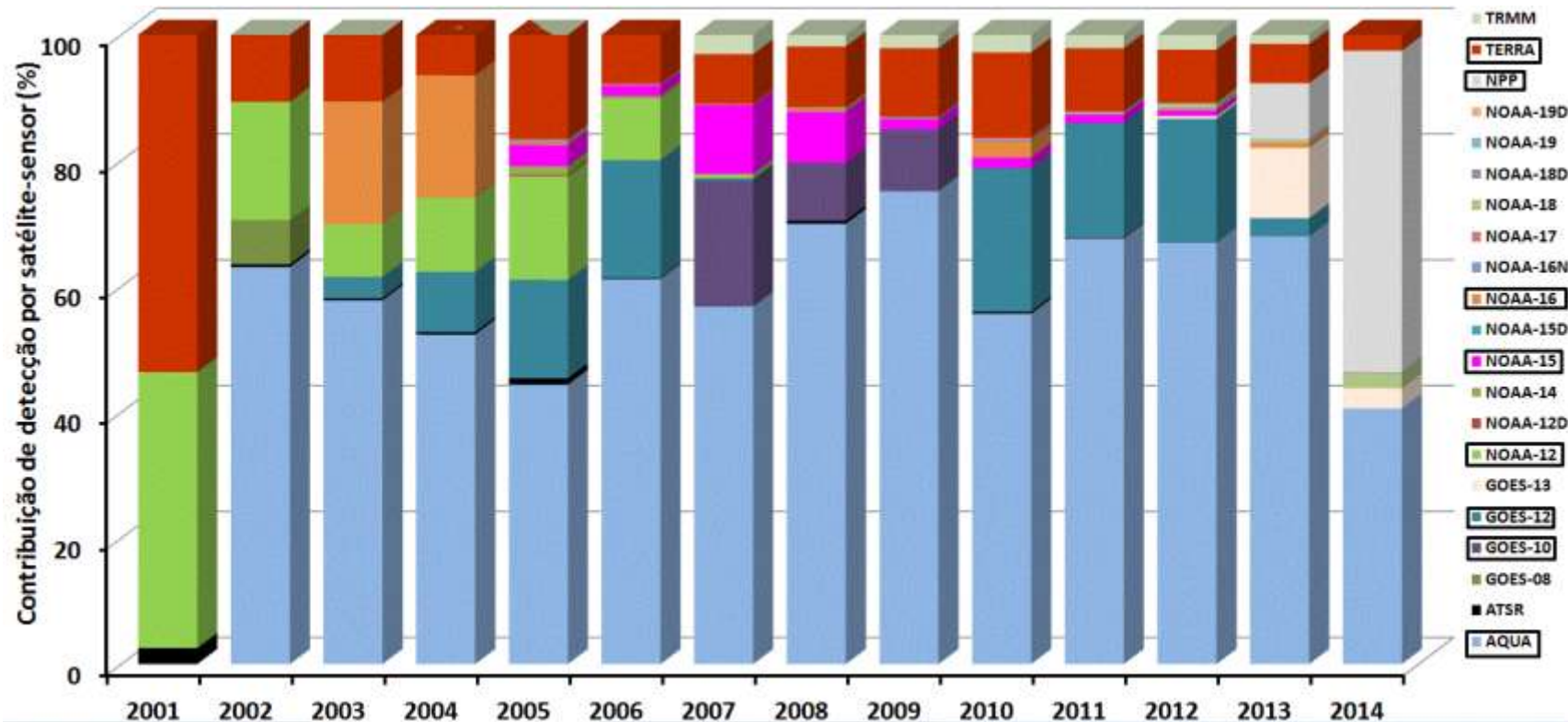
*Sistema automático

*Funcionamento 24h

Courtesy: Alan Pimentel

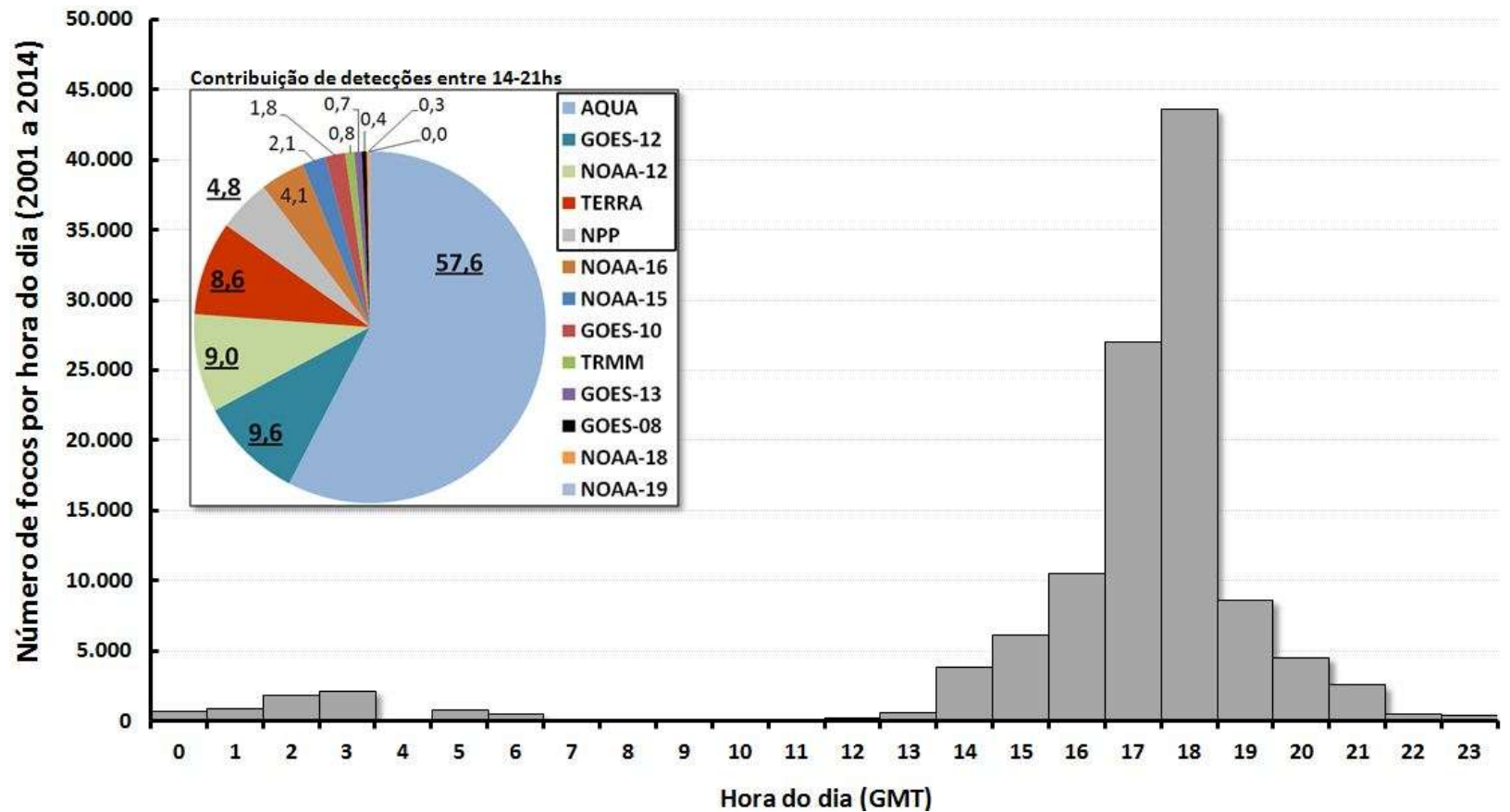
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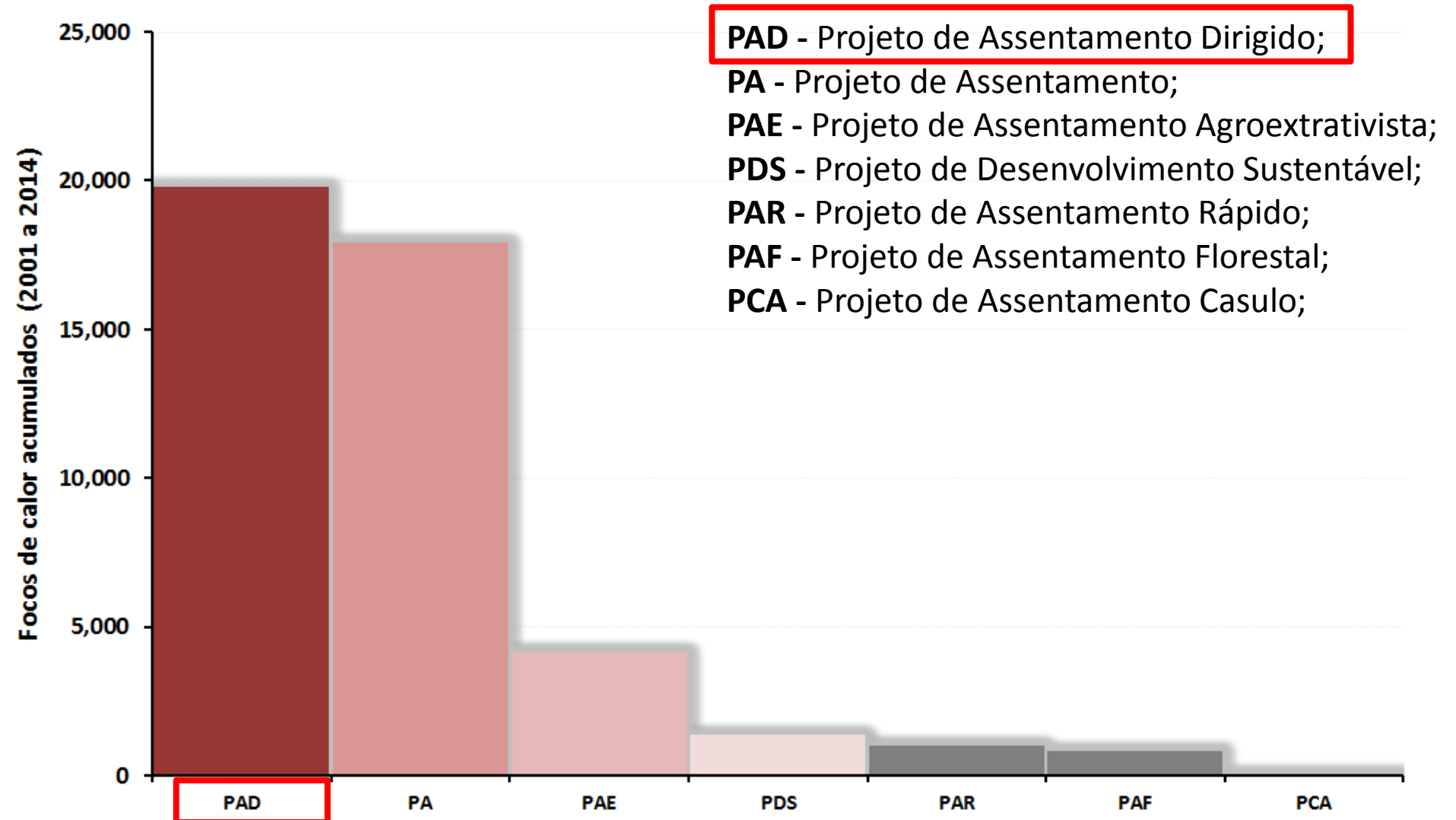
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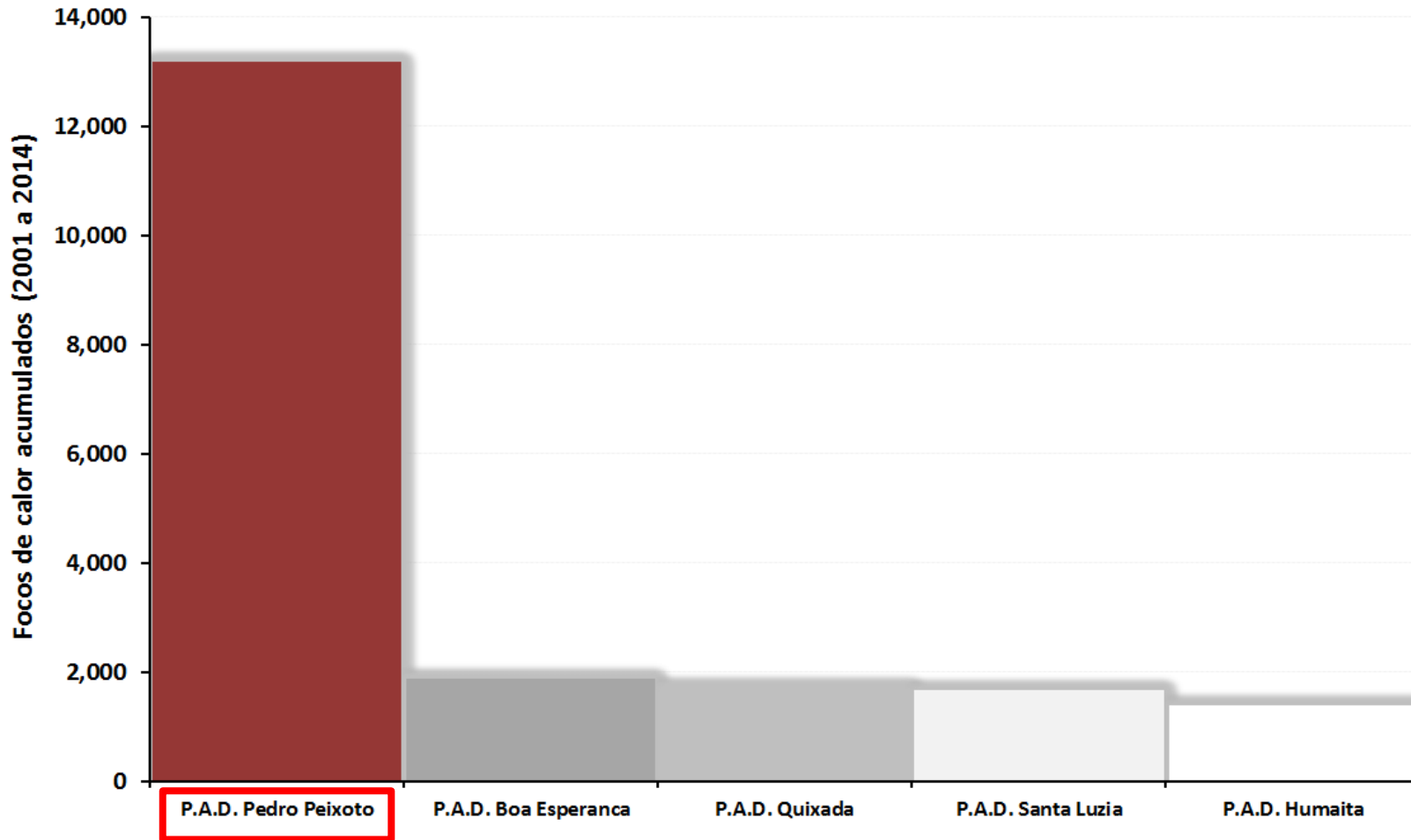
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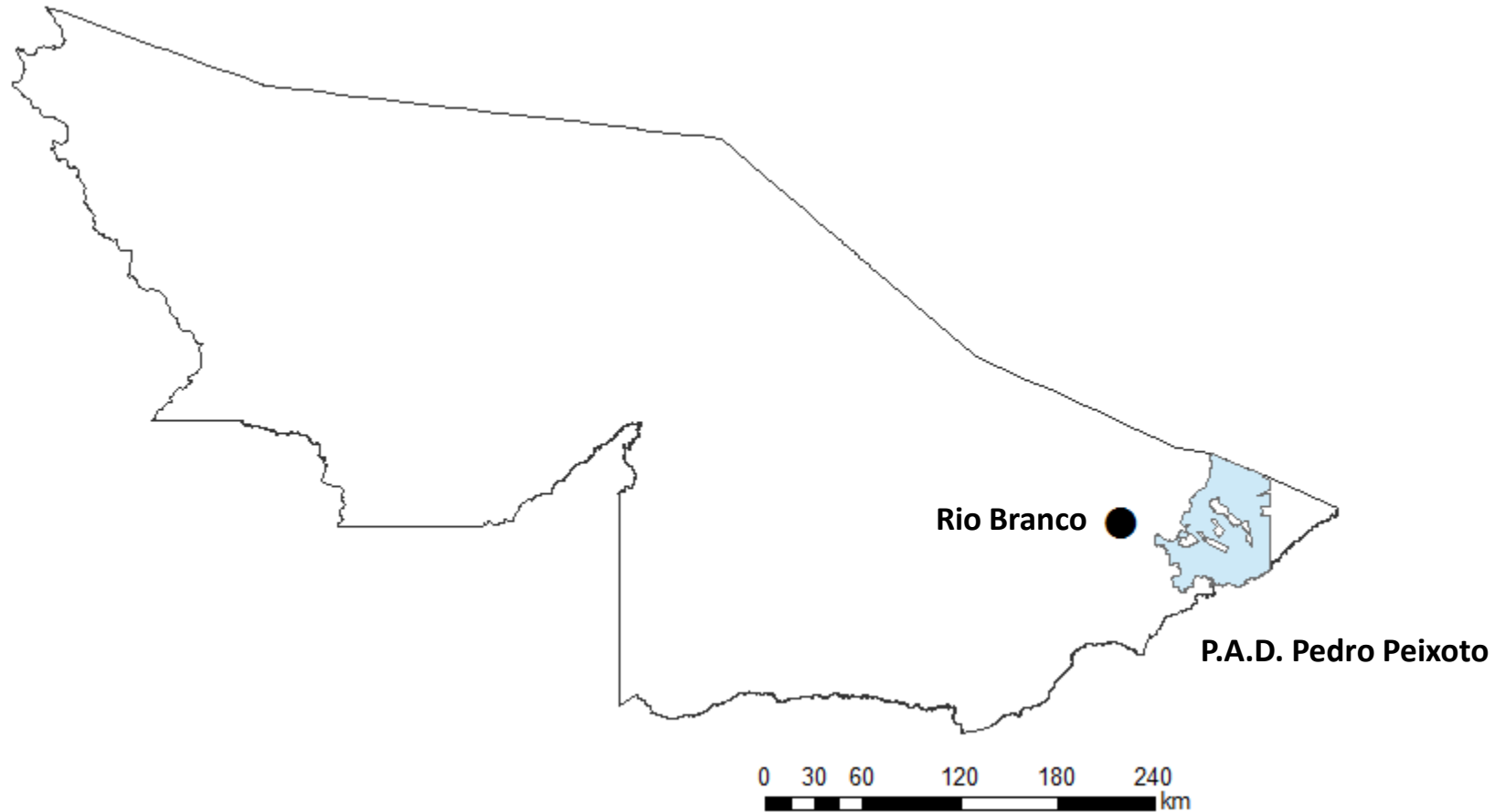
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3. Fire risk model

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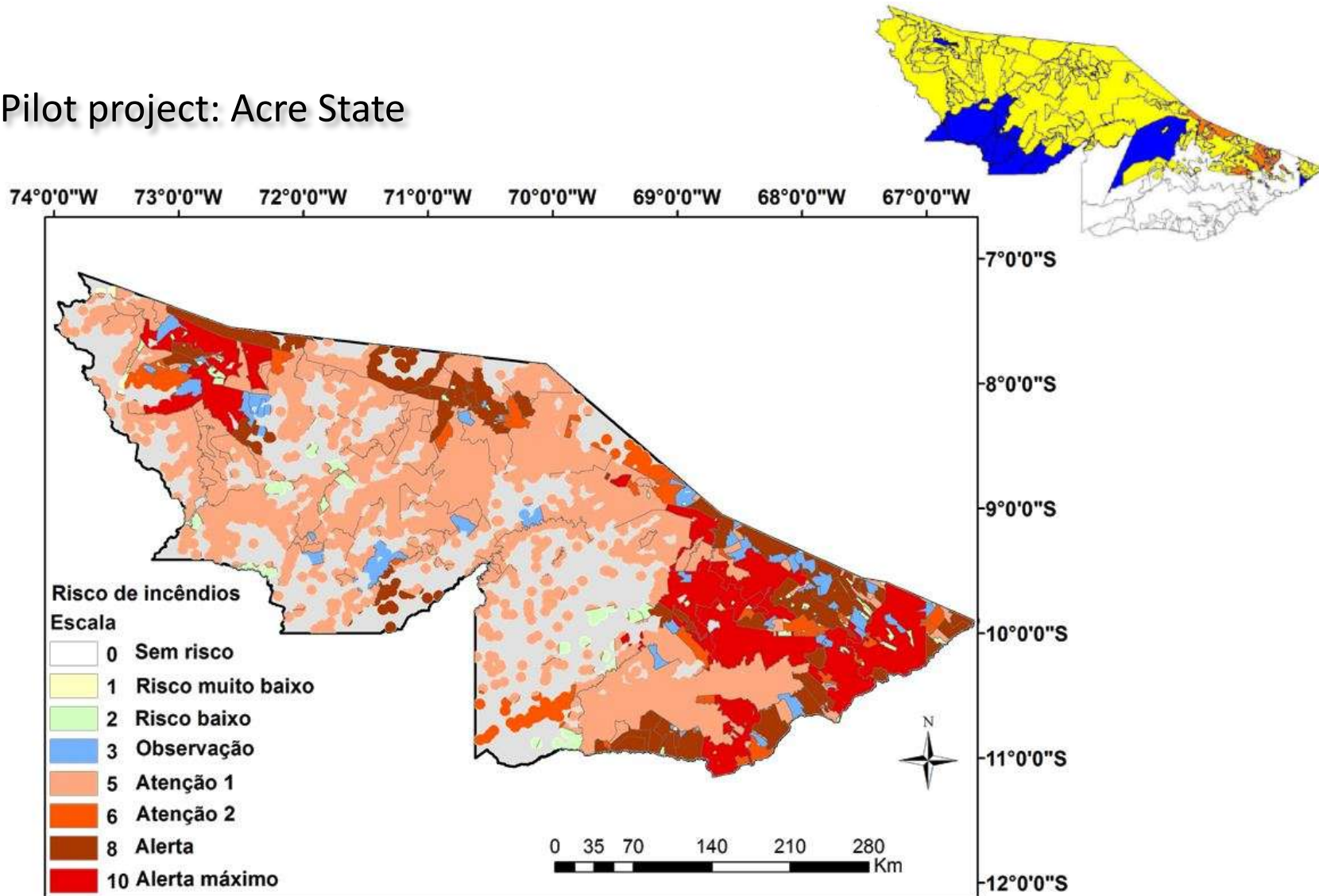
Analise de tendencia + analise do historico de uso (long-term e recente)

TABELA 3 Tabela de ordenamento de risco de incêndios baseando-se somente no histórico de ocorrência de fogo em cada unidade fundiária.

Risco de Incêndio	Escala	Observação
Alerta máximo	10	Tendência de aumento de focos de calor tanto entre 2000 e 2014 quanto entre 2010 e 2014, $p < 0.05$ Ou Tendência de aumento ou diminuição de focos de calor entre 2010 e 2014 não significativa a 99.5%, mas com mais de 500 ocorrências de focos de calor entre 2010 e 2014.
Alerta	8	Tendência de aumento de focos de calor tanto entre 2000 e 2014 quanto entre 2010 e 2014, $p < 0.1$ Ou Tendência de aumento ou diminuição de focos de calor entre 2010 e 2014 não significativa a 99.5%, mas com 100 – 499 ocorrências de focos de calor entre 2010 e 2014.
Atenção 2	6	Tendência de aumento de focos de calor entre 2010 e 2014, $p < 0.1$ Ou Entre 60 a 99 observações de focos de calor entre 2010 e 2014.
Atenção 1	5	Tendência de aumento de focos de calor entre 2000 e 2014, $p < 0.1$ Ou Entre 41 a 59 observações de focos de calor entre 2010-2014.
Observação	3	Entre 11 e 40 focos entre 2010-2014.
Risco baixo	2	até 10 focos entre 2010-2014
Risco muito baixo	1	até 5 focos entre 2006-2014
Sem risco	0	Sem observação de focos de calor na série histórica (2000 a 2014) Ou a mais de 5 km de distância de qualquer foco de calor registrado entre 2000 e 2014.

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Fire risk as a product of the observations of fire pixels: trend, historical use and number of observations

Anderson et al, 2015 in prep.

Integrative multidisciplinary project at Cemaden

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Cemaden Pluviômetros nas Comunidades
(Silvia Saito e Victor Marchezini)



Cemaden Educação
(Rachel Trabjer e Victor Marchezini)

Modelagem atmosférica
(Christopher Castro)



Impactos na saúde
(Luciana Londe)

Riscos de incêndios
(Liana e Missae Yamamoto)



Modelagem hídrica, geodinâmica e de mobilidade
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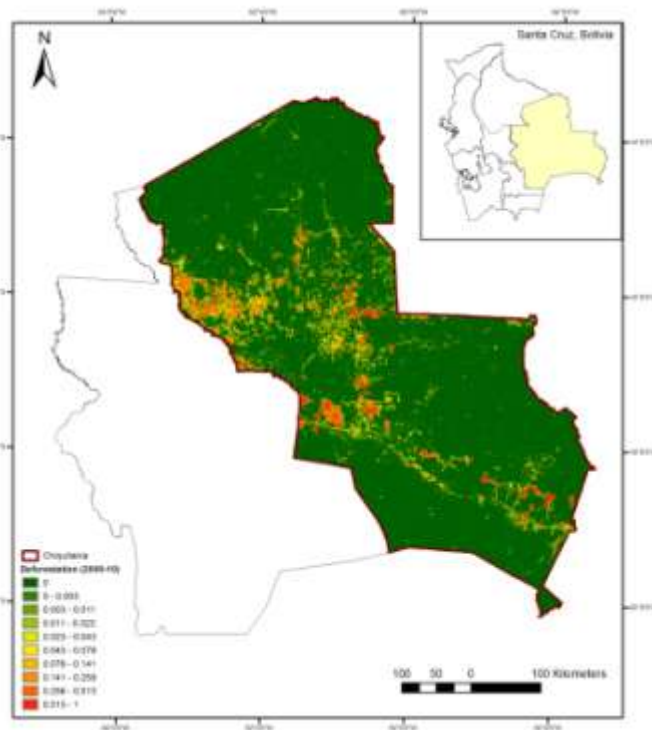
Atores locais: Governo Estadual, IMC, SEMA, Secretaria educação, Projeto Piscicultores, Sala de situação-AC, Defesa civil, Bombeiros

Websites: <http://www.cemaden.gov.br/pluviometros/> <http://educacao.cemaden.gov.br/>

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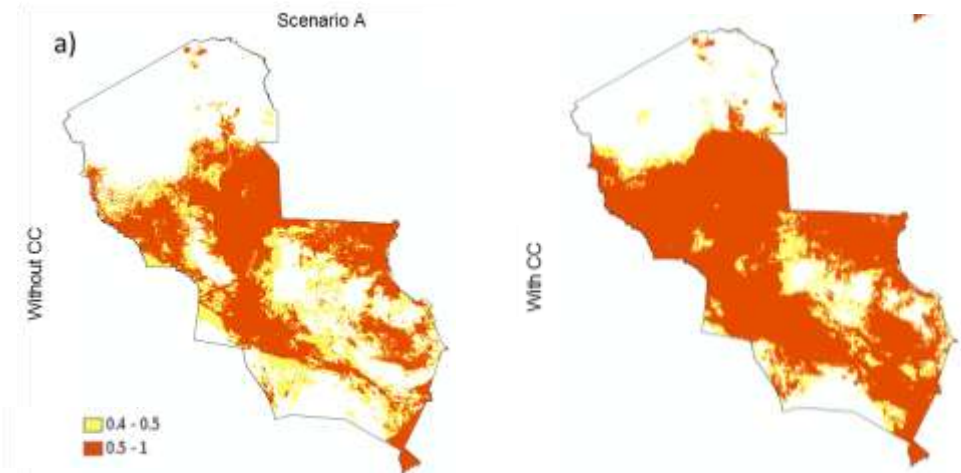
Pilot project: Chiquitania region in the Department of Santa Cruz, Bolivia

Fire risk for 2025



Business as usual

Rapid growth + CC



important determinants of wildfire risk in this region are distance to roads, deforestation and density of human settlements. Severely dry conditions alone increased the area of high wildfire risk by 69%, affecting all categories of land use and land cover. the interactions between dry climatic conditions and rapid frontier expansion can increase the risk of wildfire even further.

Perspectives

What should be done for improving the understanding and the monitoring of fire and its associated impacts?

1. Burned area:

- Our product under development at TREES laboratory INPE: improved detection of forests affected by fires
- CPTEC in developing a burned area product for the cerrado region based on Landsat images, potentially for other areas in SA
- Other initiatives: local, regional and global

2. Fire associated GHG emissions

- Increase the network of forests impacted by fires monitoring plots in SA for long term C stock assessment
- Improve the spatial representation of biomass decomposition decay
- Implement the emissions and C loss of forest areas affected by multiple fires

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- To improve the understanding of local historical and economic drives for the use of fire
- To introduce local programmes for the understanding, adapting and mitigating the occurrence and impacts of fires
- Increase policy enforcement and monitoring systems



Fire on Starry Night
Ronald Guerin