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Observation Denial Trials in the UKV.

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- Impact from Observation Network components
- Work in Progress



UKV model configuration – key features

- Variable Grid with 1.5km interior resolution
- Hourly 4D-Var on 4.5km grid
- 'OS43' Science (=current Operational)
- Observation Cutoff = 45 minutes (=80 on 11 & 23Z cycles to capture sondes)
- Latent Heat Nudging
- Adaptive Variable Grid
- Climatological covariances lagged NMC method



Observational Denial Trials

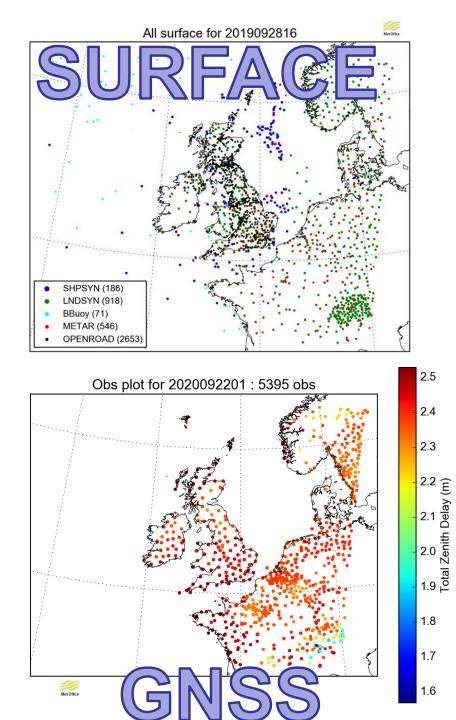
- Control = OS43 (current) Science Configuration
- 2 Seasons (Summer and Winter)
- Approximately 2 months in each season



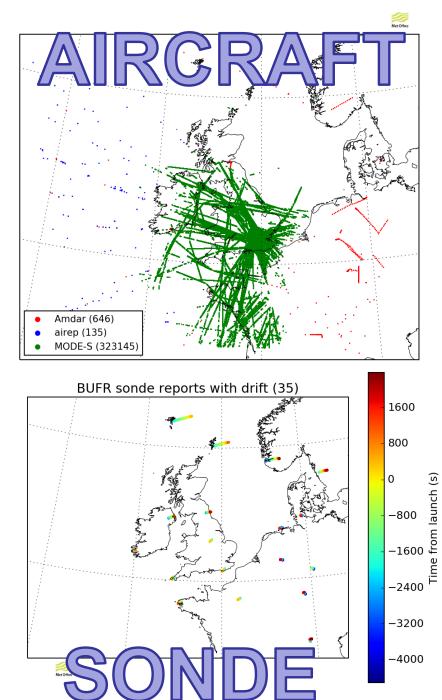
Denial Observation Sets

	Near-surface Sets	Abbvn	Obs Denied					
1	All land-surface	LAND	= SYNOP + METAR + Roadside					
2	All land-surface except roadside	LANDxROAD	= SYNOP + METAR					
3	Roadside Only	ROAD	=Roadside					
4	All land T/RH	T/RH	=SYNOP + METAR + Roadside T/RH					
5	All land MSLP	MSLP	=SYNOP + METAR MSLP					
SYNOP : T_{2m} , RH_{2m} , $Wind_{10m}$, Vis_{2m} , MSLP, Cloud METAR : T_{2m} , RH_{2m} , $Wind_{10m}$, Vis_{2m} , MSLP ROADSIDE : T_{2m} , RH_{2m} , Vis_{2m}								

	Upper-Air Sets	Abbvn	Obs Denied
6	All Upper-Air	UPAIR	=Sondes, Profilers & Aircraft
	Conventional		(AIRREP, AMDAR & Mode-S)
7	All AMDAR & AIREP	AMDAR	=AMDAR & AIREP T,RH & Wind
8	All Mode-S	MODES	=MODES Wind
9	Radar	RADAR	=LHN + Doppler Winds
10	GroundGPS	GNSS	=GroundGPS
11	GeoCloud	GEOCLOUD	=Satellite cloud fraction profile
12	All Satellite Radiances	SATRAD	* =All Satellite Radiances



2020092112 : Aircraft datacoverage : reports =323926





Verification vs Observations

 'Sensible Weather' – mainly vs SYNOP (03) observations

 T_{2m}, RH_{2m}, Vis_{2m}, Wind_{10m}, Ppn, Cloud Cover, Cloud Base Height, MSLP

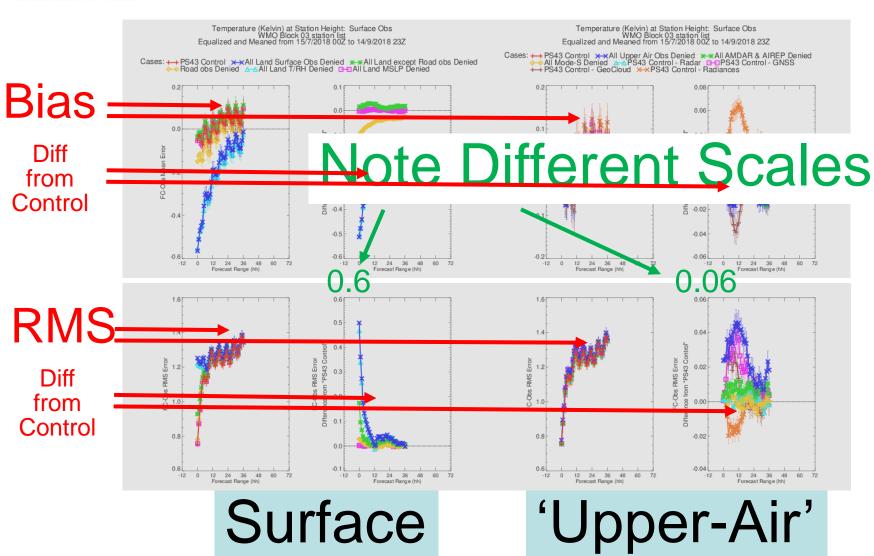
- **Upper-Air** vs SONDE profile observations
- Temperature, RH, Wind
- Important Note

.....as we also assimilate SYNOP & SONDE obs, impacts from these obs types likely to be exaggerated relative to other obs types





T_{2m} Summer

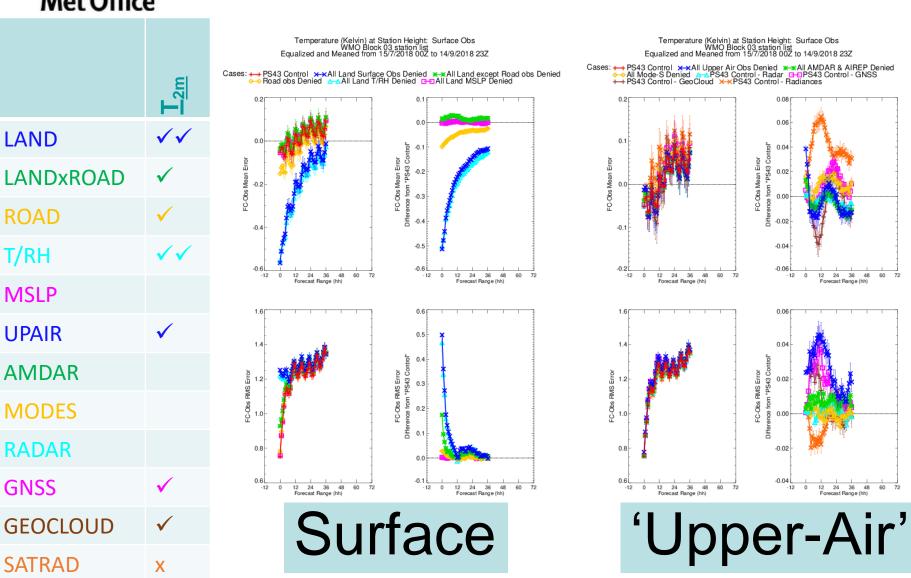




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T_{2m} Summer



Upper-air Wind Summer



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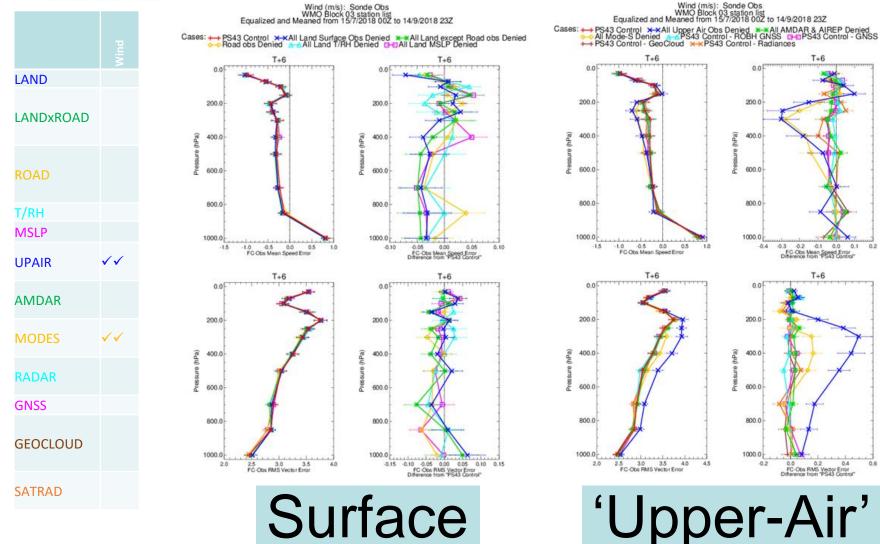
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Summer Impacts Summary vs Surface Obs								/	
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	GNSS	✓	✓	✓		✓	XX	x	
	GEOCLOUD	\checkmark	\checkmark				✓		
	SATRAD	X							X

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Winter Impacts Summary vs Surface Obs

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	\mathbf{I}_{2m}	RH _{2m}	<u>Vis_{2m}</u>	<u>Wind</u>	Ppn	Cloud	Cloud Base Heigh	MSLP
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Impacts Summary vs Upper-Air Obs

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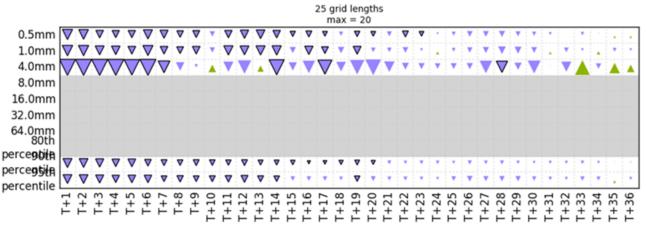
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Impacts on Ppn from Land Surface Obs (FSS)

% Difference (AllLandSurfDen vs. PS43Control), 1hr Precipitation Accumulation (mm), Analysis



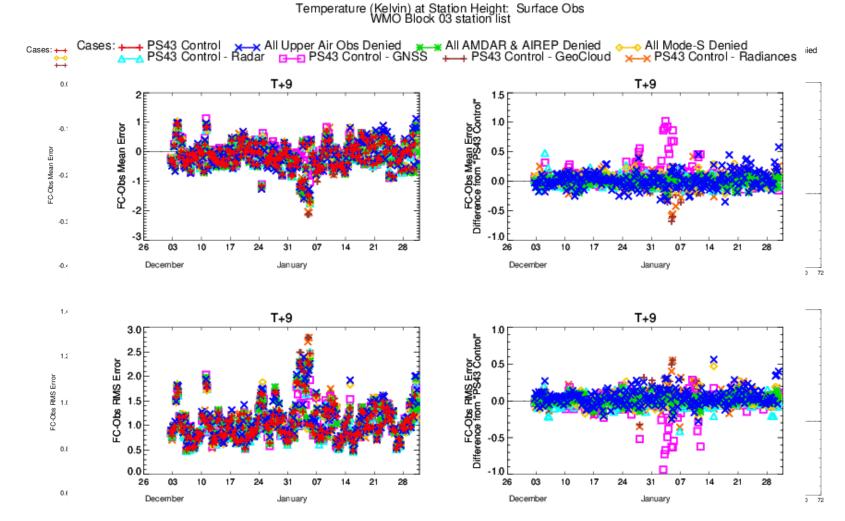


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GNSS QC ?





- Redundancy in Surface Network
- 'All-rounder' T_{2m}/RH_{2m} observations benefits also for Wind_{10m} & ppn predictions
- Some episodic negative Impacts from GNSS (QC issues)
- Radar Impacts restricted to 'Nowcasting' range
- Mode-S dominating Upper-Air Wind Impacts
 from Aircraft
- Relatively small impacts from satellite radiances

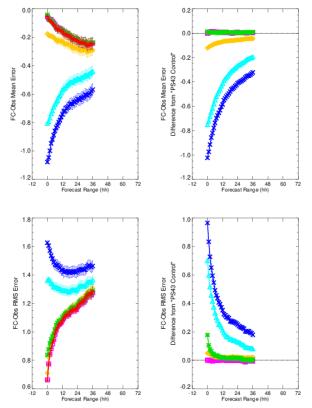


T_{2m} Winter



Temperature (Kelvin) at Station Height: Surface Obs WMO Block 03 station list Equalized and Meaned from 1/12/2018 00Z to 31/1/2019 23Z

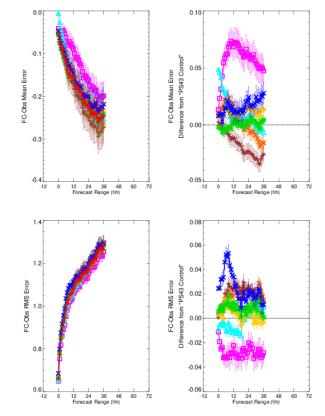
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RH_{2m} Summer

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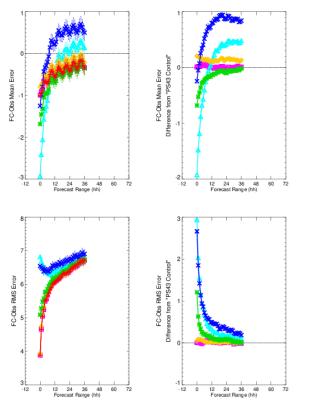


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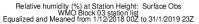


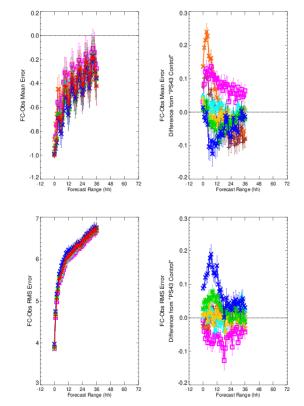
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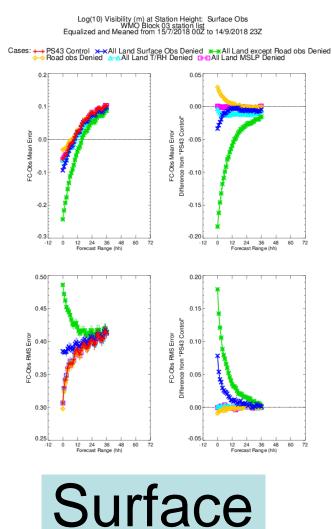




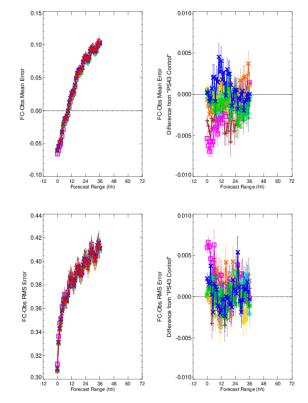




Vis_{2m} Summer



Log(10) Visibility (m) at Station Height: Surface Obs WMO Block 03 station list Equalized and Meaned from 15/7/2018 00Z to 14/9/2018 23Z





Vis_{2m} Winter



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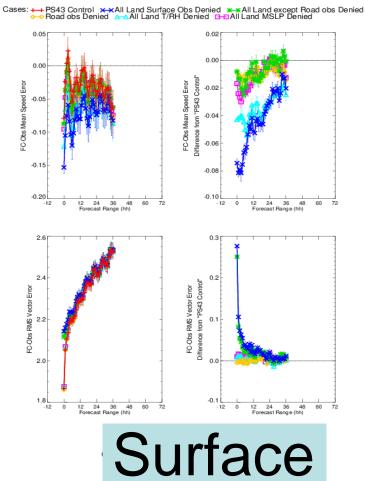
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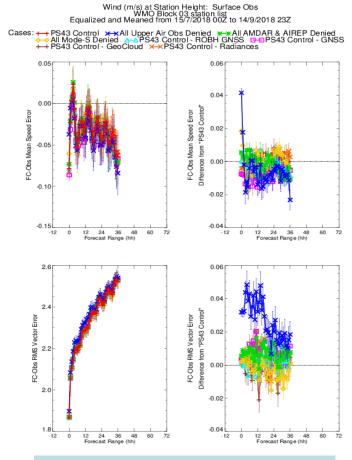


Wind_{10m} Summer



Wind (m/s) at Station Height: Surface Obs WMO Block 03 station list Equalized and Meaned from 15/7/2018 00Z to 14/9/2018 23Z



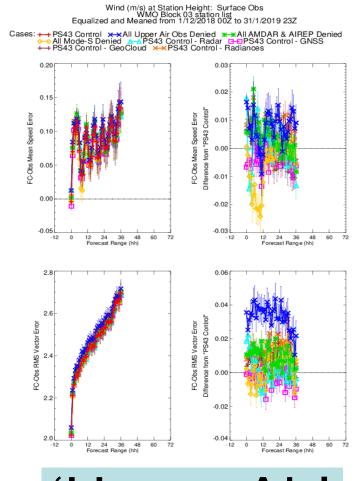


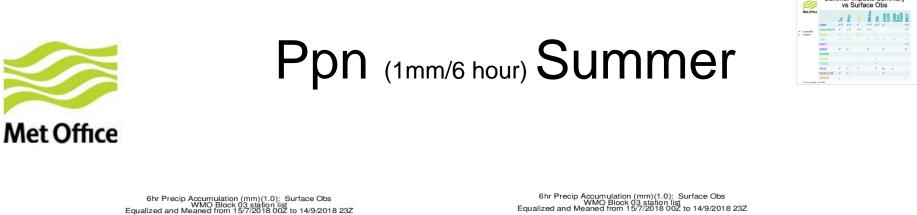


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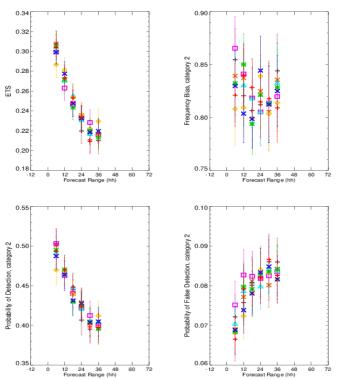


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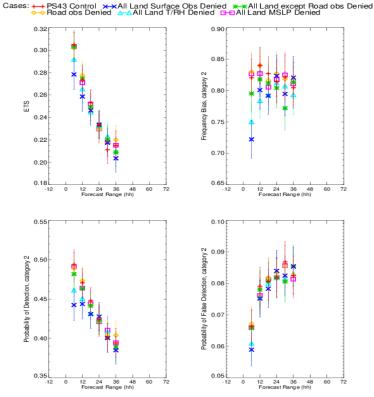


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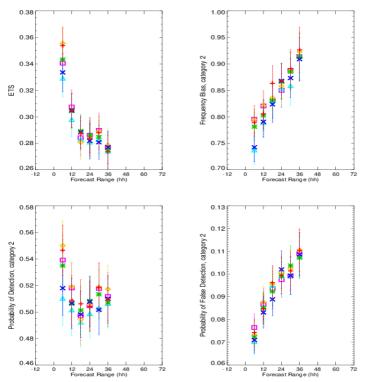




Ppn (1mm/6 hour) Winter

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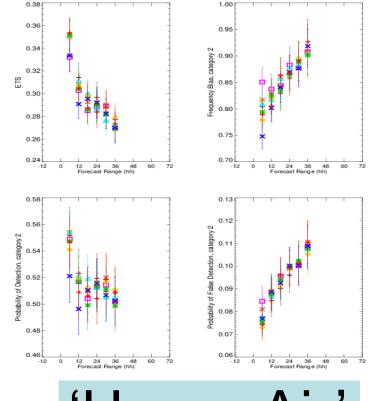
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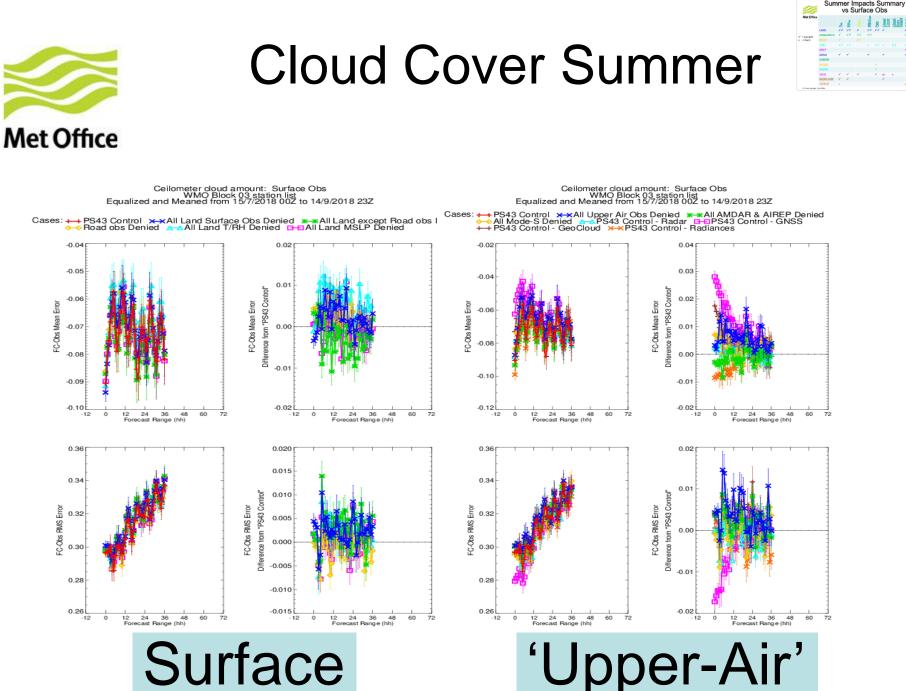


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Cloud Cover Winter



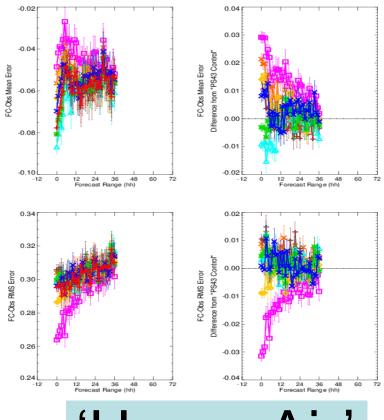
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Winter Impacts Summary vs Surface Obs

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Cloud Base Height Winter

Cloud Base Height Given 3/8th Cover (m): Surface Obs WMO Block 03 station list Equalized and Meaned from 1/12/2018 002 to 31/1/2019 23Z Cloud Base Height Given 3/8th Cover (m): Surface Obs WMO Block 03 station list Equalized and Meaned from 1/12/2018 002 to 31/1/2019 23Z Cases: + → PS43 Control ★★All Upper Air Obs Denied ★★All AMDAR & AIREP Denied → All Mode-S Denied ★★PS43 Control - Radar 급+DPS43 Control - GNSS → PS43 Control - GeoCloud ★★PS43 Control - Radiances 1.4•10 1.3-10 4000 40.00 3000 1.2.10 1.2.10 2000 2000 1.1-10 "PS43 Cont ance from "PS43 Co FC-Obs Mean Error FC-Obs Mean Error ð FC-Obs Mean Error FC-Obs Mean Er 1000 1.0-10 1.0.10 ence from " 9.0-10 Offe 1000 8.0-10 Ē 8.0.10 -2000 -2000 7 0.10 -3000 É 6.0•10³ -4000 L 6.0•10³ 2 24 36 4 Forecast Range (hh) 12 24 36 48 Forecast Bange (hh) 12 24 36 48 Forecast Bange (hh) 12 48 60 - 12 -12 0 60 72 -12 0 72 12 0 60 72 0 4.2.10 4.2.10 4000 4000 4.0.10 4.0•104 2000 2000 Difference from "PS43 Contri 3.8•10 Con FC-Obs RMS Error FC-Obs RMS Error **PMS Error** FC-Obs PMS Error 3.8-10 rence from "PS43 3.6•10 FC-Obs 3.6•104 3.4.10 E -2000 -2000 3.4.10 3.2.10 3.2·104 4000 3.0.104 4000 12 24 36 48 Forecast Range (hh) -12 0 12 24 36 48 60 72 -12 0 48 60 72 -12 0 12 24 36 48 60 72 -12 0 Forecast Range (hh) Forecast Range (hh)

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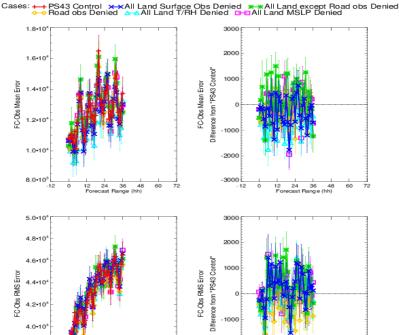
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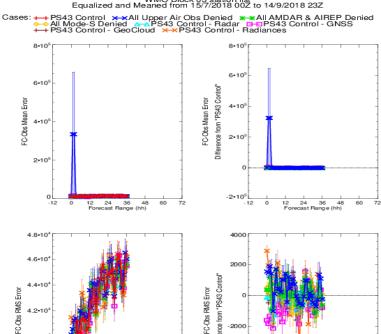


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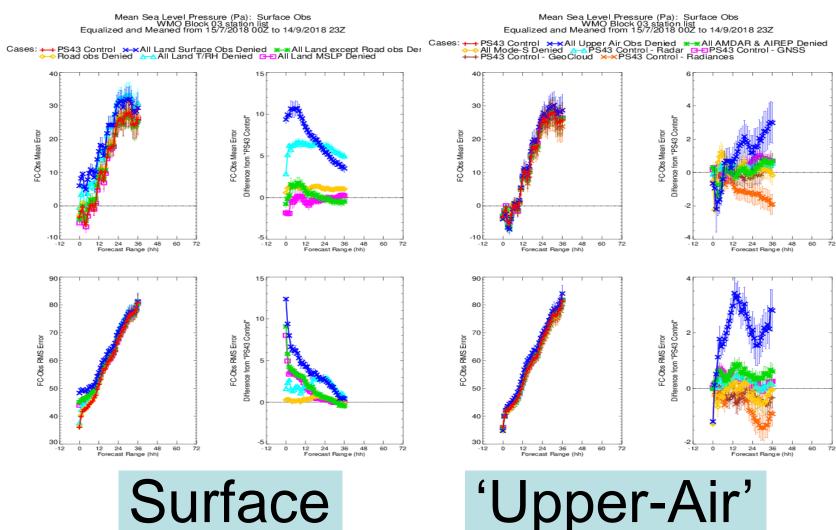
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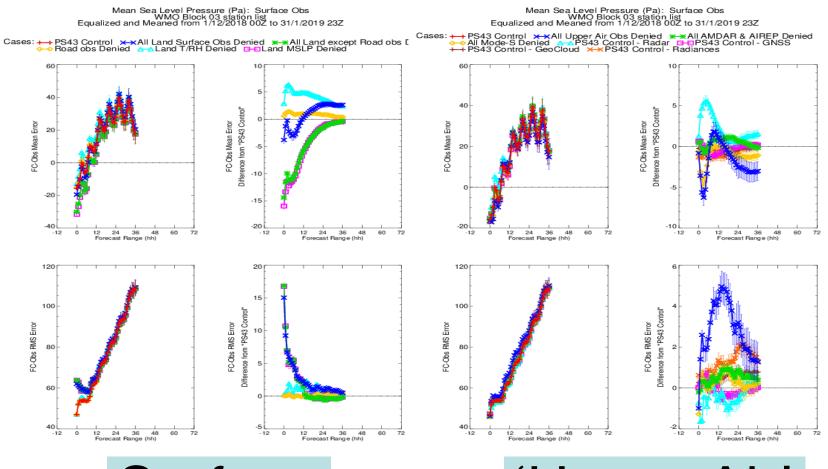






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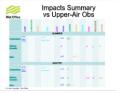
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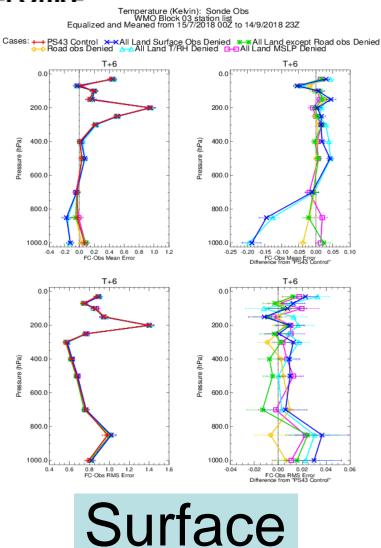
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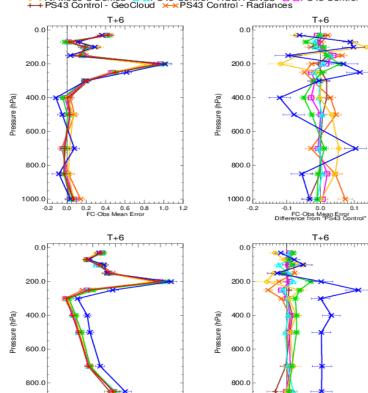
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FC-Obs RMS Error

FC-Obs RMS Error Difference from "PS43 Control" 'Upper-Air'

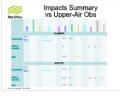
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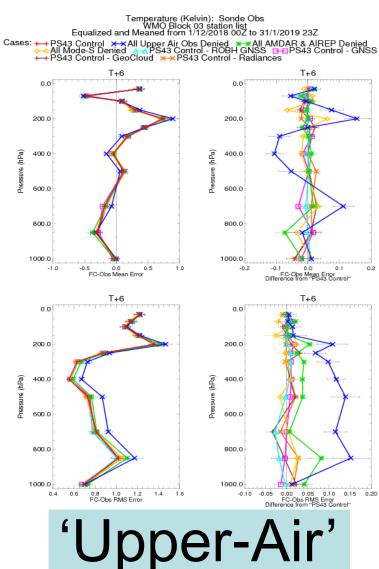
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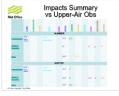
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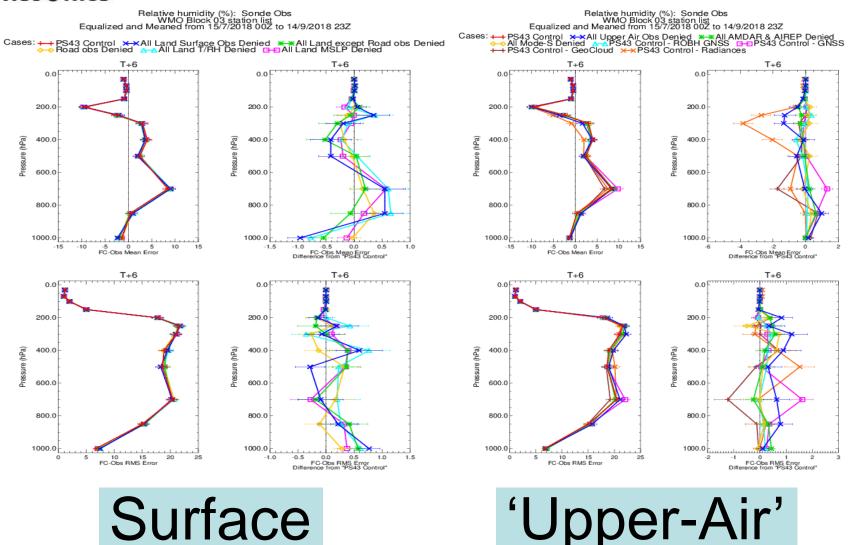
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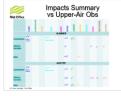
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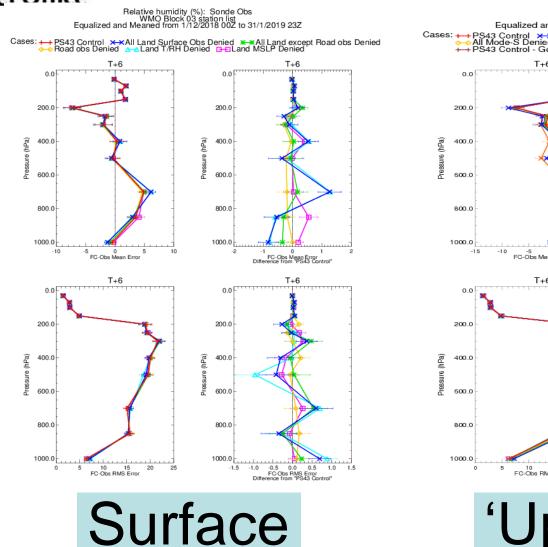


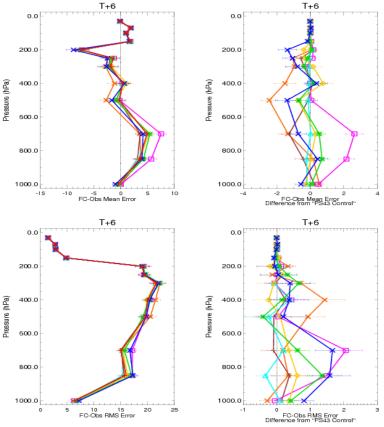


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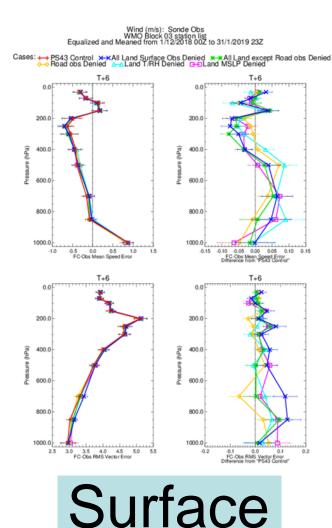


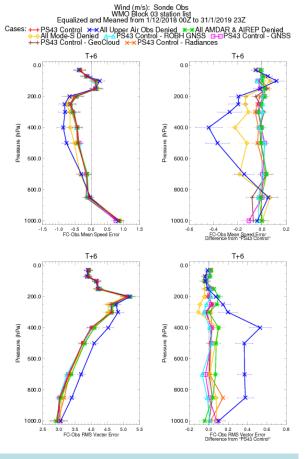






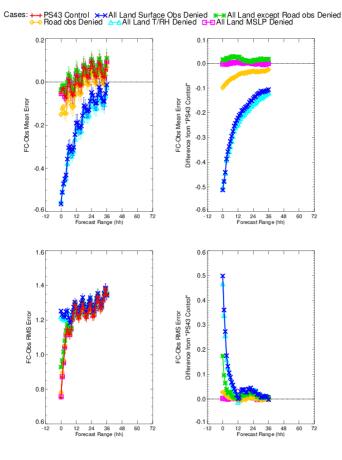


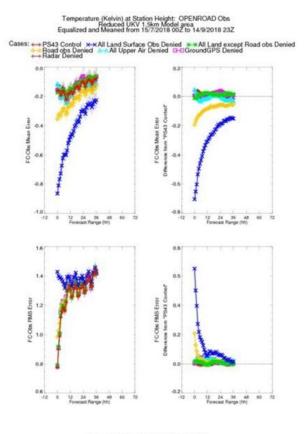






Temperature (Kelvin) at Station Height: Surface Obs WMO Block 03 station list Equalized and Meaned from 15/7/2018 00Z to 14/9/2018 23Z





68% error bars calculated using S/(n-1)**

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