

1 **Diffuse radiation forcing constraints on gross primary productivity and global terrestrial**
2 **evapotranspiration – Supporting Information**

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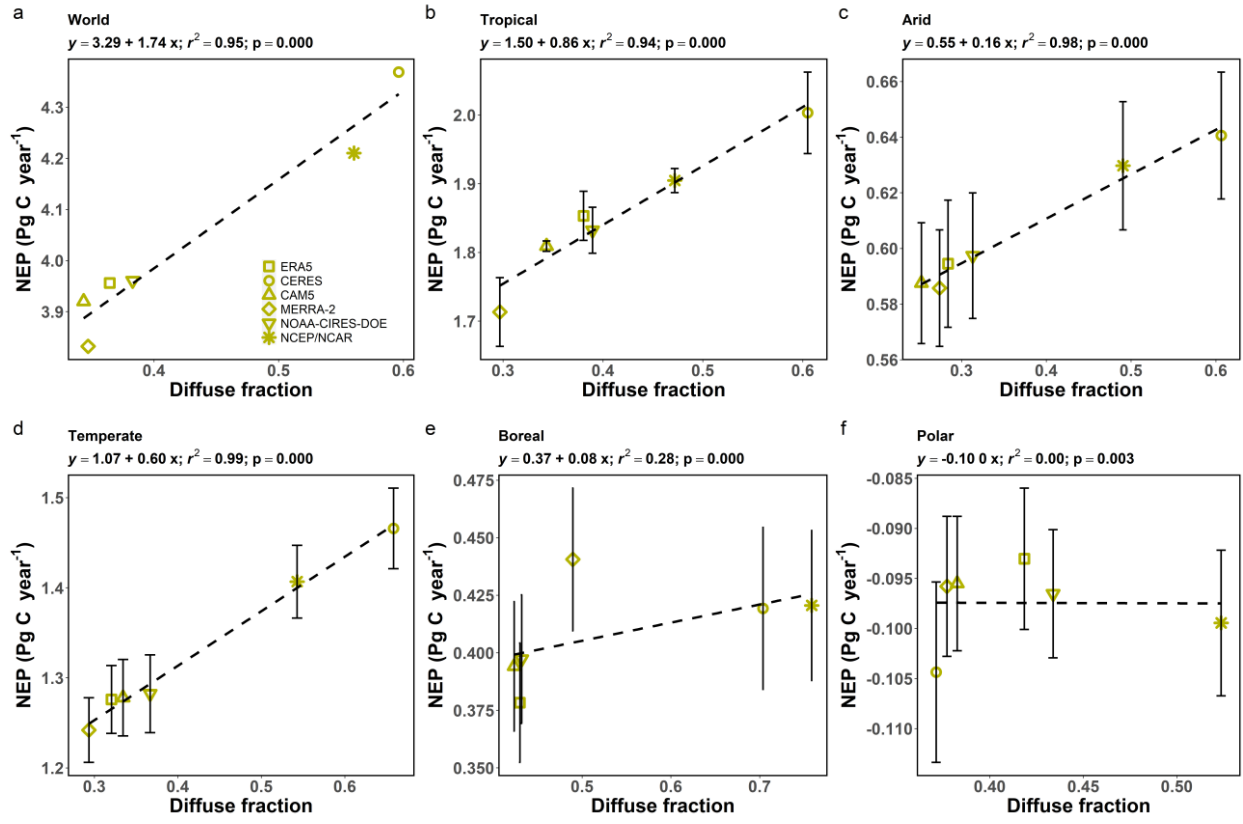
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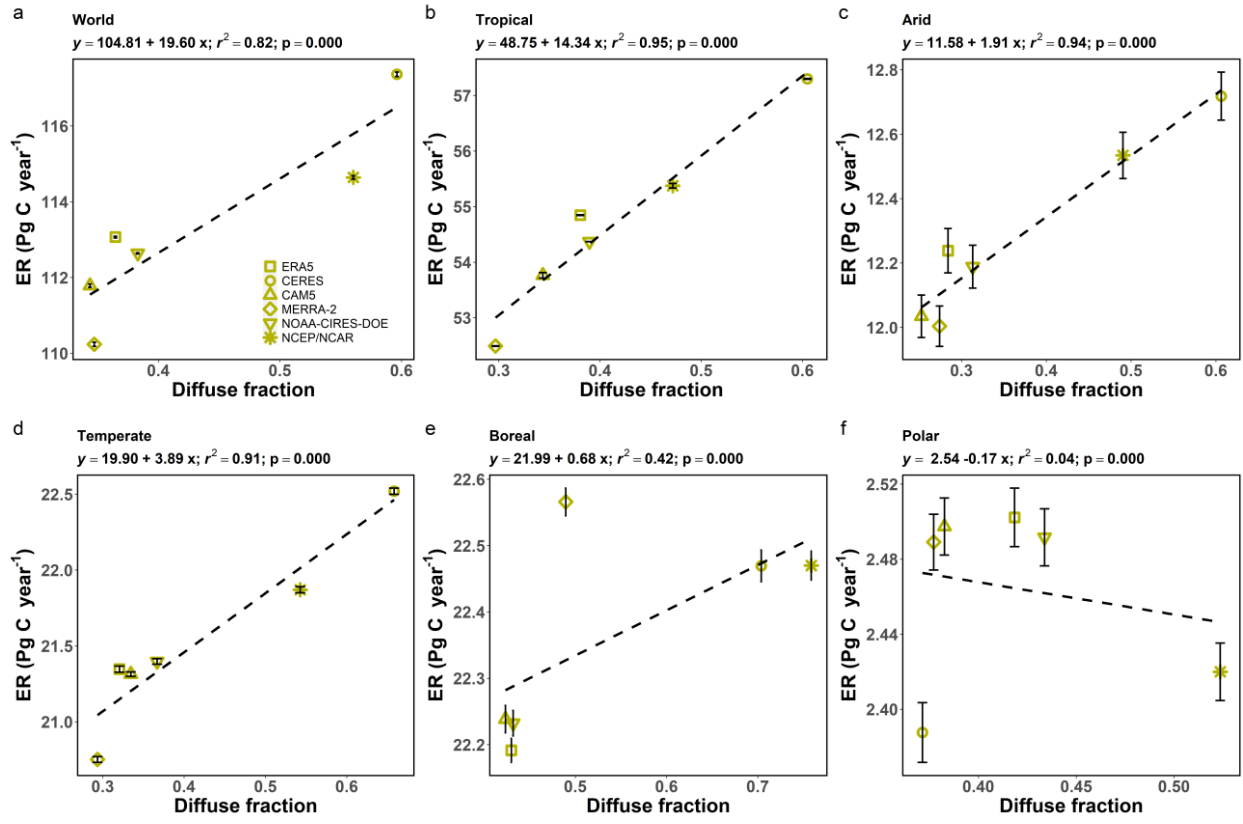
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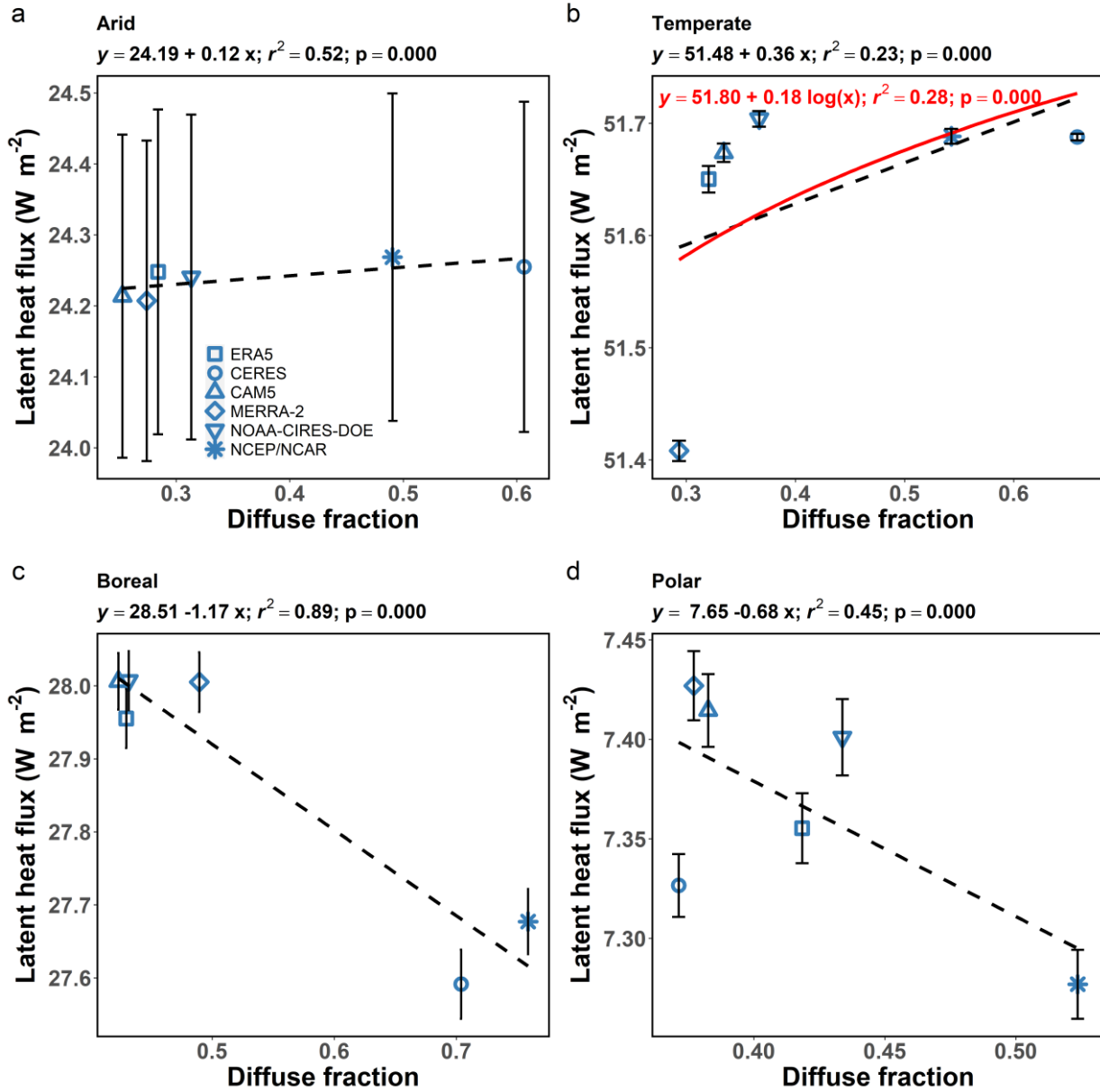
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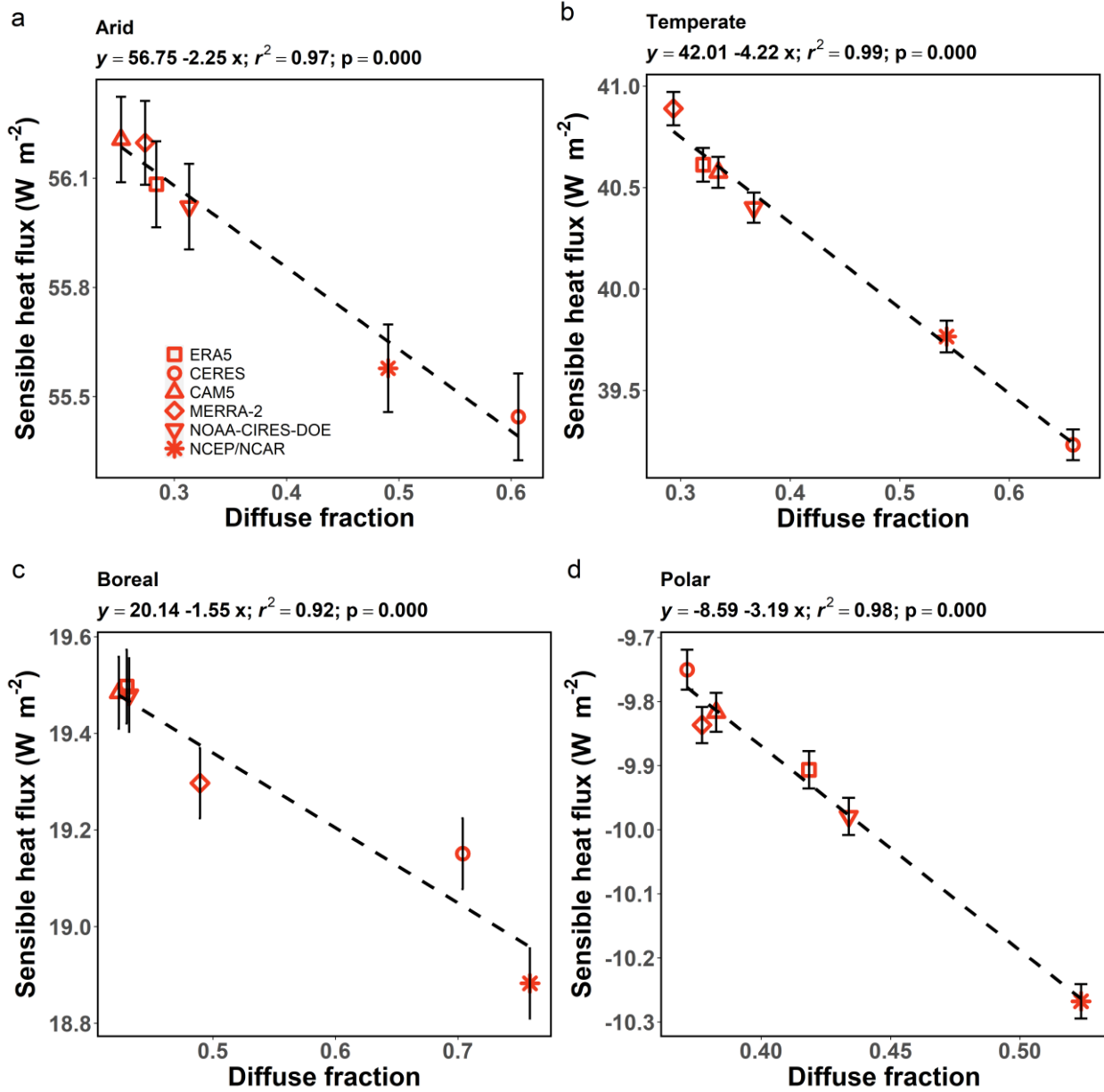
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 25 MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM; represented using different symbols) considered here for (a) all
 26 terrestrial surfaces, (b) tropical climate, (c) arid climate, (d) temperate climate, (e) boreal climate,
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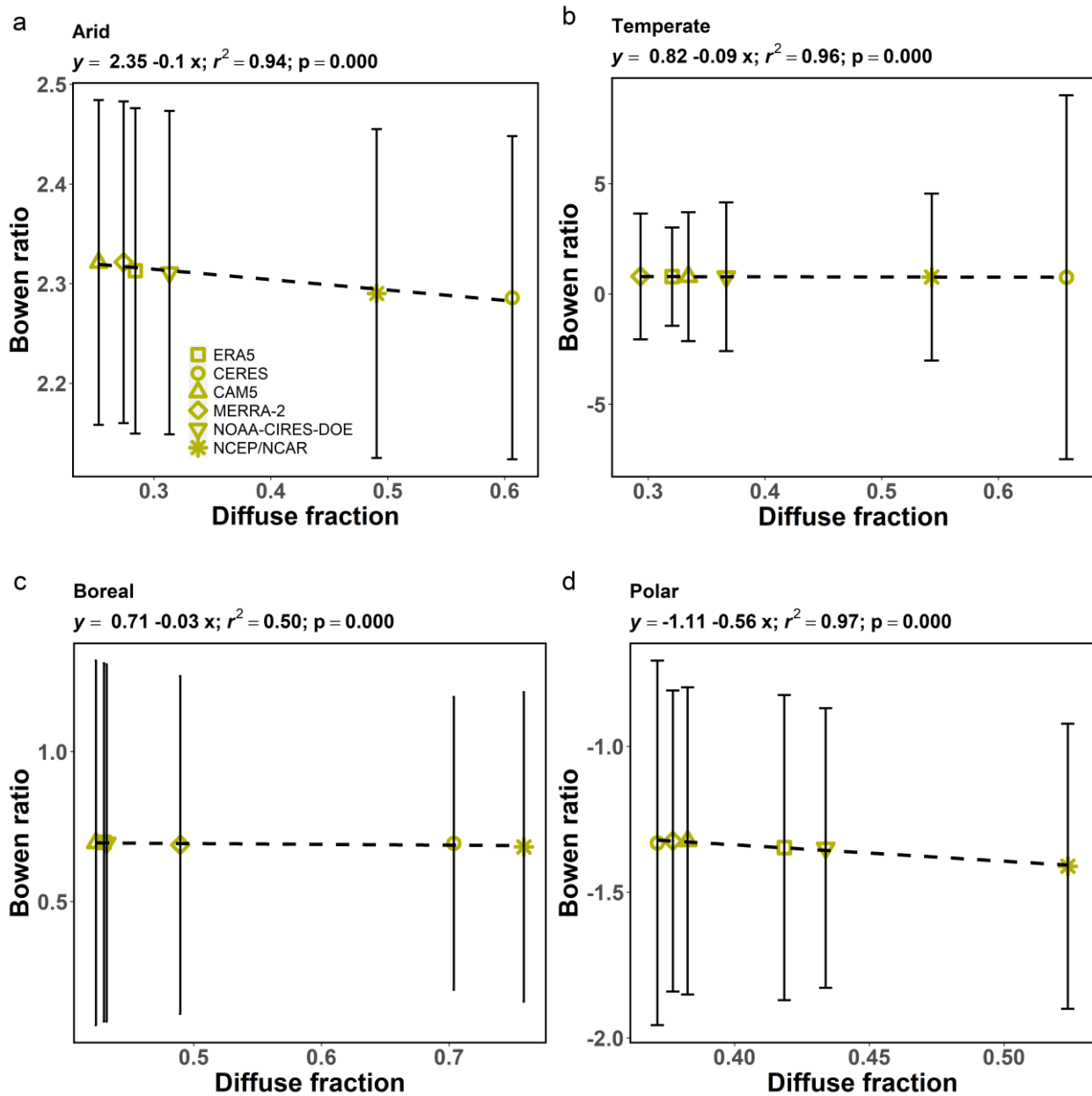
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 35 and CAM; represented using different symbols) considered here for (a) arid climate, (b) temperate
 36 climate, (c) boreal climate, and (d) polar climate. The lines of best fit and the linear regression
 37 equations, with coefficient of determination r^2 and p-values are noted. For temperate climate, (a)
 38 logarithmic fit and the associated equation is also noted (in red). The vertical error bars show the
 39 inter-annual standard error for the 10-year period.



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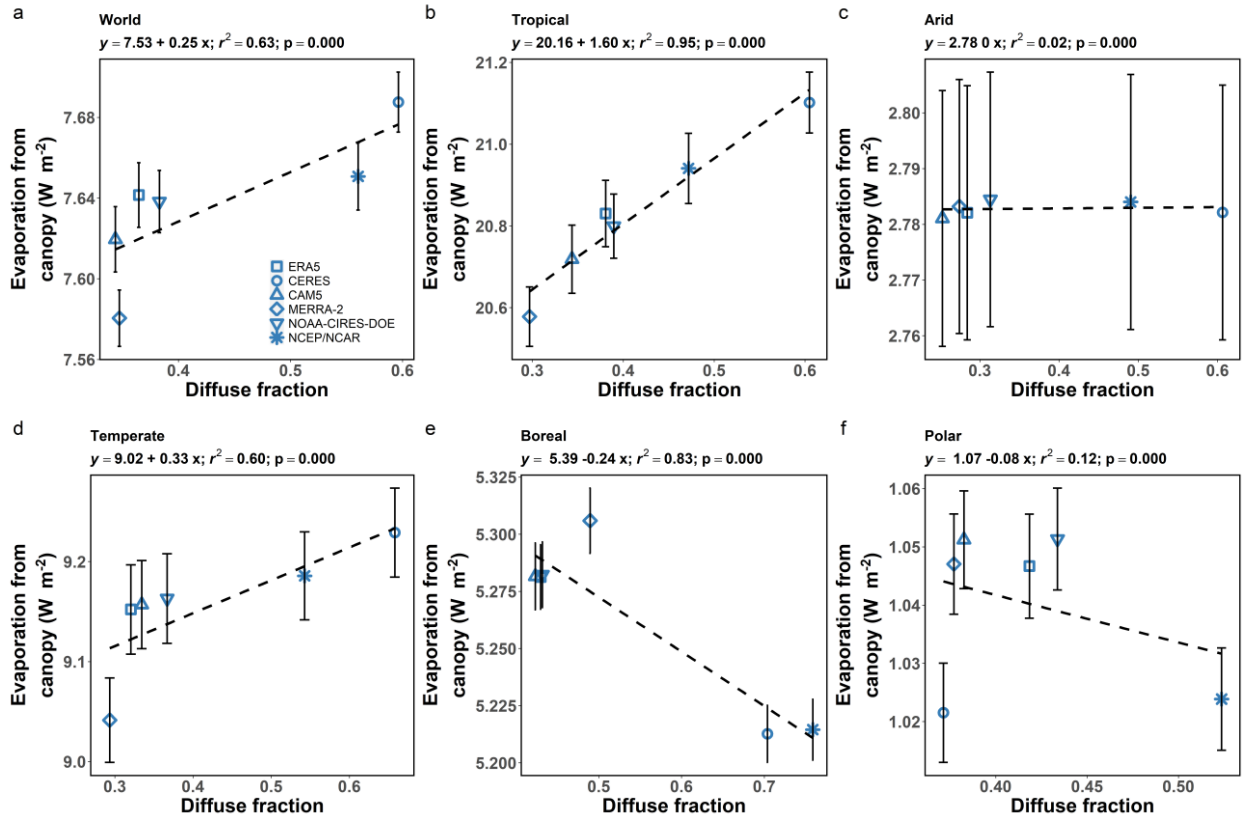
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 47 equations, with coefficient of determination r^2 and p-values are noted. The vertical error bars show
 48 the inter-annual standard error for the 10-year period.



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 52 Bowen ratio and diffuse fraction (k_d) across different land model simulations forced using k_d from
 53 the six products (NCEP/NCAR, NOAA-CIRES-DOE, ERA5, MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM)
 54 considered here for (a) arid climate, (b) temperate climate, (c) boreal climate, and (d) polar climate.
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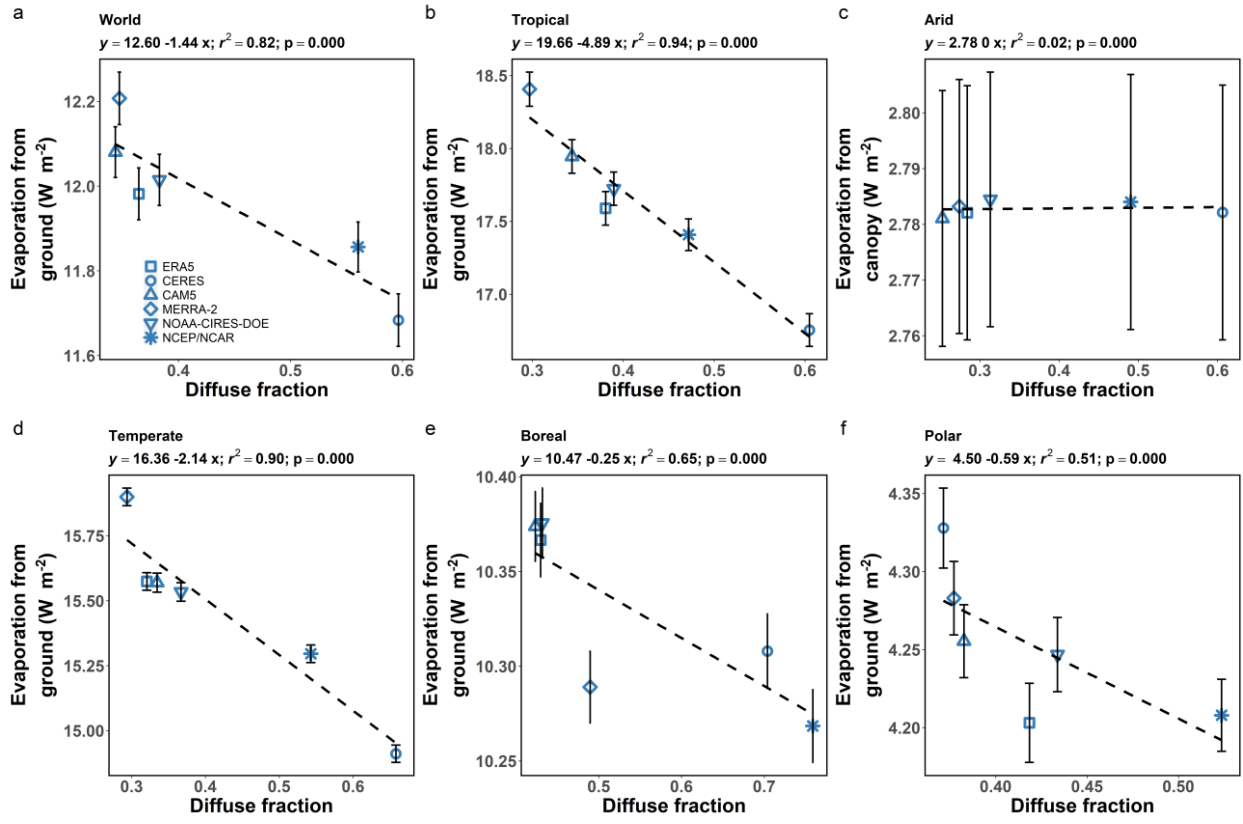


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 63 ERA5, MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM; represented using different symbols) considered here for
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 65 climate, and (f) polar climate. The lines of best fit and the linear regression equations, with
 66 coefficient of determination r^2 and p-values are noted. The vertical error bars show the inter-
 67 annual standard error for the 10-year period.

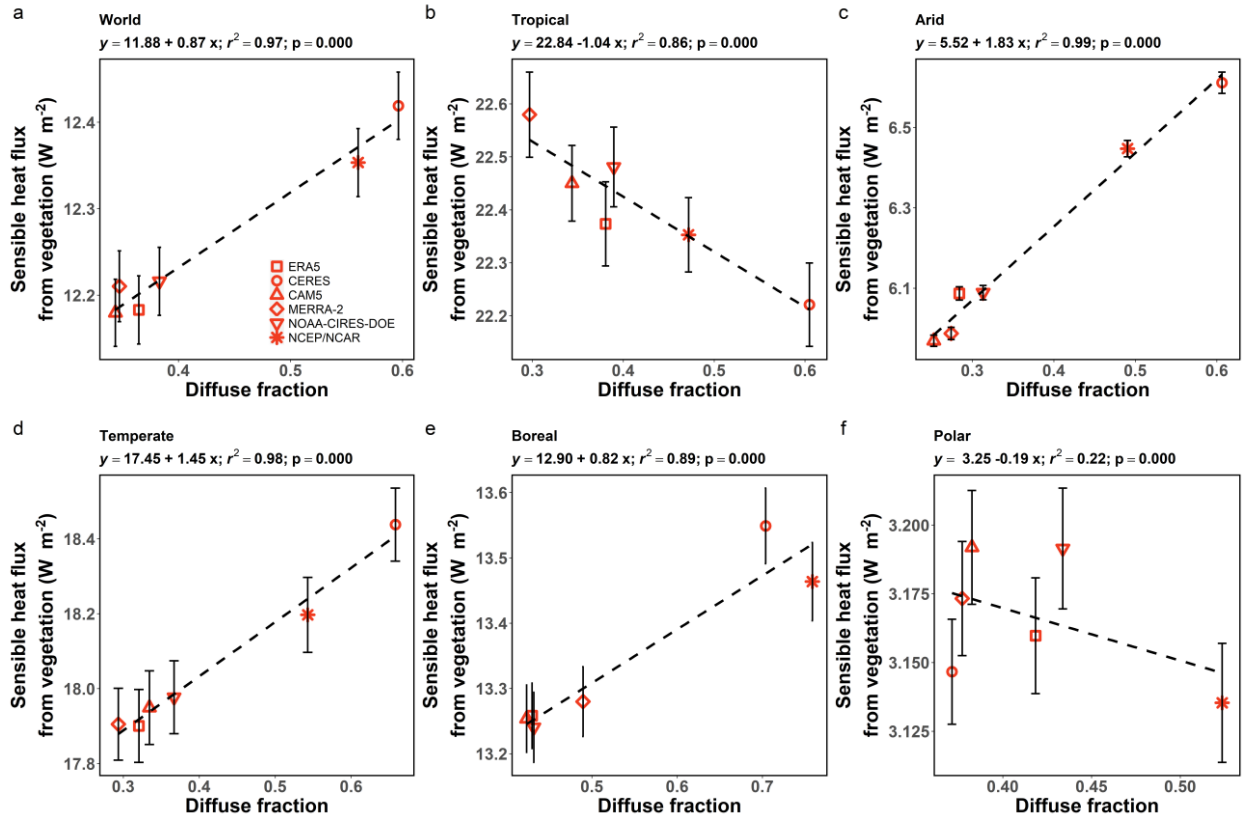
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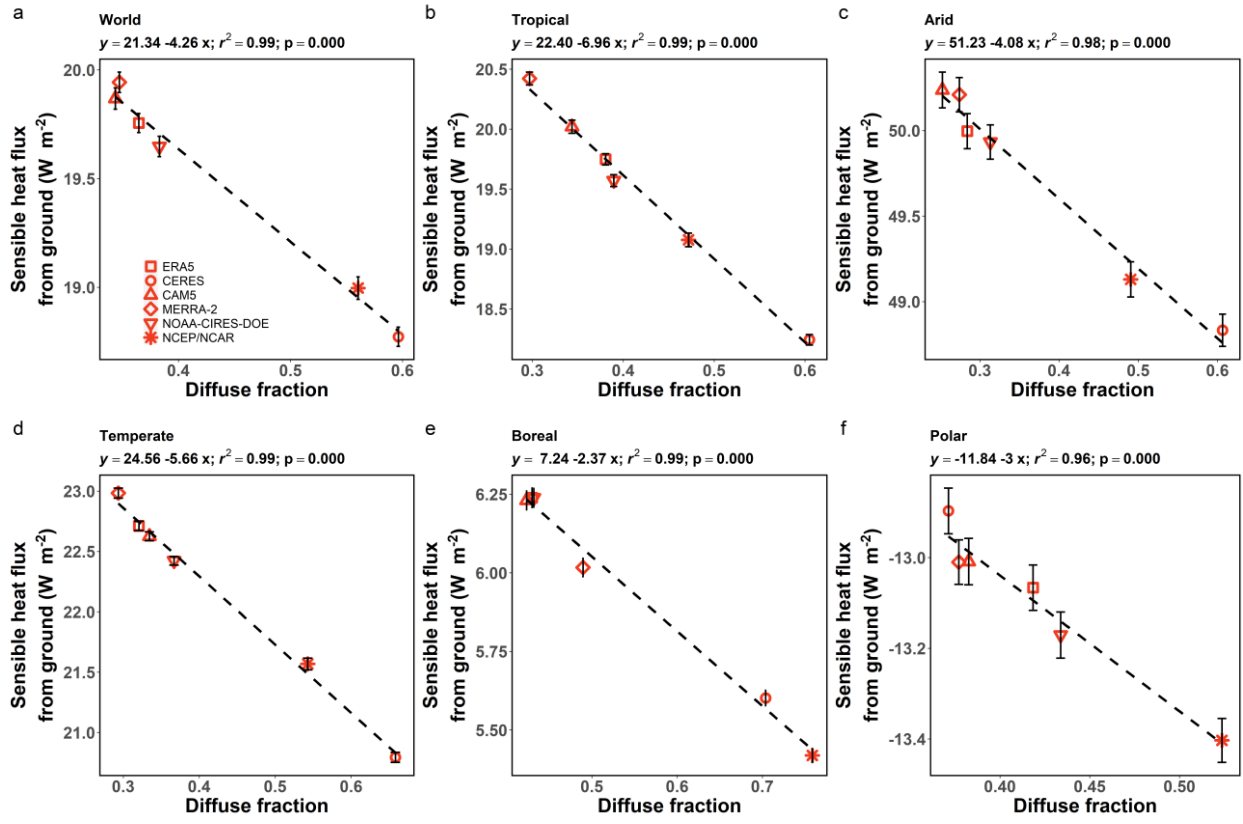
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 72 Associations between evaporation from ground and diffuse fraction (k_d) across different land
 73 model simulations forced using k_d from the six products (NCEP/NCAR, NOAA-CIRES-DOE,
 74 ERA5, MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM; represented using different symbols) considered here for
 75 (a) all terrestrial surfaces, (b) tropical climate, (c) arid climate, (d) temperate climate, (e) boreal
 76 climate, and (f) polar climate. The lines of best fit and the linear regression equations, with
 77 coefficient of determination r^2 and p -values are noted. The vertical error bars show the inter-
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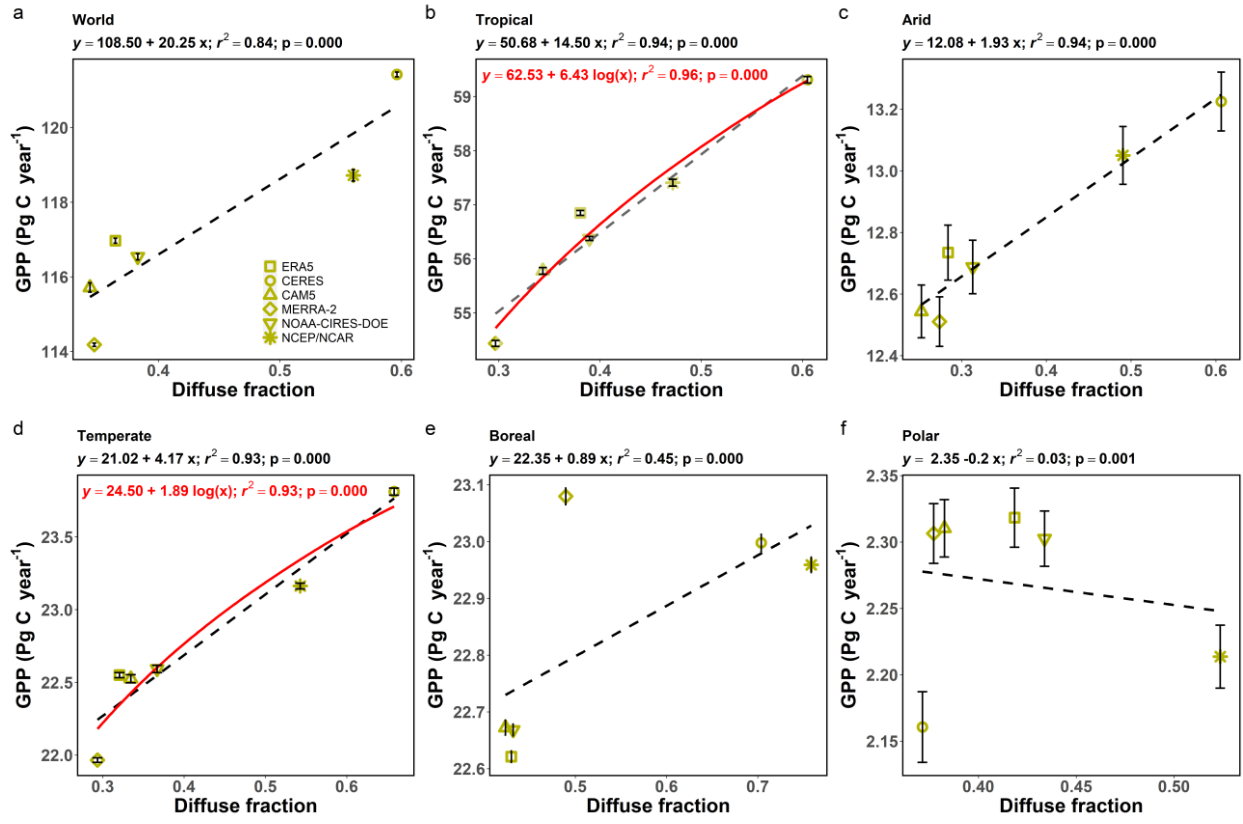
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 82 spread. Associations between sensible heat flux from vegetation and diffuse fraction (k_d) across
 83 different land model simulations forced using k_d from the six products (NCEP/NCAR, NOAA-
 84 CIRES-DOE, ERA5, MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM; represented using different symbols)
 85 considered here for (a) all terrestrial surfaces, (b) tropical climate, (c) arid climate, (d) temperate
 86 climate, (e) boreal climate, and (f) polar climate. The lines of best fit and the linear regression
 87 equations, with coefficient of determination r^2 and p-values are noted. The vertical error bars
 88 show the inter-annual standard error for the 10-year period.



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91 **Figure S9** Response of sensible heat flux from ground to inter-product diffuse fraction spread.
 92 Associations between sensible heat flux from ground and diffuse fraction (k_d) across different
 93 land model simulations forced using k_d from the six products (NCEP/NCAR, NOAA-CIRES-
 94 DOE, ERA5, MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM; represented using different symbols) considered
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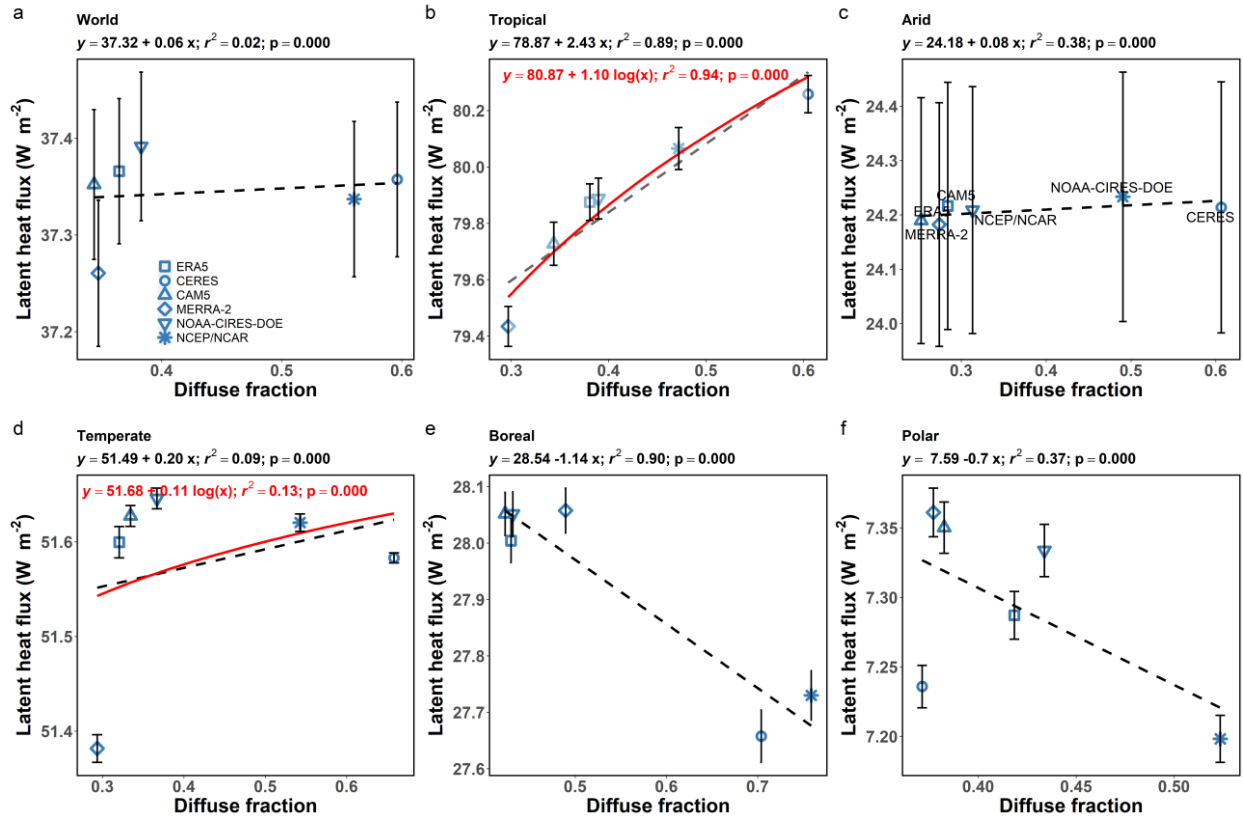
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101 **Figure S10** Response of gross primary productivity to inter-product diffuse fraction spread for
 102 years 30 to 39 of the simulations. Associations between gross primary productivity (GPP) and
 103 diffuse fraction (k_d) across different land model simulations forced using k_d from the six products
 104 (NCEP/NCAR, NOAA-CIRES-DOE, ERA5, MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM) considered here for
 105 (a) all terrestrial surfaces, (b) tropical climate, (c) arid climate, (d) temperate climate, (e) boreal
 106 climate, and (f) polar climate for the 10-year period covering years 30 to 39 of the simulation. The
 107 lines of best fit and the linear regression equations, with coefficient of determination r^2 and p -
 108 values are noted. For tropical and temperate climate, logarithmic fits and associated equations are
 109 also noted (in red). The vertical error bars show the inter-annual standard error for the 10-year
 110 period.

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115 **Figure S11** Response of latent heat flux to inter-product diffuse fraction spread for years 30 to 39
 116 of the simulations. Associations between latent heat flux and diffuse fraction (k_d) across different
 117 land model simulations forced using k_d from the six products (NCEP/NCAR, NOAA-CIRES-
 118 DOE, ERA5, MERRA-2, CERES, and CAM) considered here for (a) all terrestrial surfaces, (b)
 119 tropical climate, (c) arid climate, (d) temperate climate, (e) boreal climate, and (f) polar climate
 120 for the 10-year period covering years 30 to 39 of the simulation. The lines of best fit and the linear
 121 regression equations, with coefficient of determination r^2 and p-values are noted. For tropical and
 122 temperate climate, logarithmic fits and associated equations are also noted (in red). The vertical
 123 error bars show the inter-annual standard error for the 10-year period.

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125 **Table S1** Summary of AmeriFlux sites considered here, along with their location, elevation, and
 126 underlying land cover class. ENF=Evergreen Needleleaf Forest; GRA=Grassland;
 127 CRO=Cropland; DBF=Deciduous Broadleaf Forest; MF= Mixed Forest; OSH=Open Shrubland;
 128 WET= Permanent wetland

| Site Name | Latitude | Longitude | Elevation | Land cover |
|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| US-A32 | 36.81927 | -97.8198 | 335 | GRA |
| US-A74 | 36.80846 | -97.5489 | 337 | CRO |
| US-ARM | 36.6058 | -97.4888 | 314 | CRO |
| US-Bi2 | 38.109 | -121.535 | -4.98 | CRO |
| US-HB2 | 33.3242 | -79.244 | 4.7 | ENF |
| US-MRf | 44.64649 | -123.551 | 263 | ENF |
| US-xAB | 45.76243 | -122.33 | 363 | ENF |
| US-xBN | 65.15401 | -147.503 | 263 | ENF |
| US-xBR | 44.06388 | -71.2873 | 232 | DBF |
| US-xCP | 40.8155 | -104.746 | 1654 | GRA |
| US-xDC | 47.16165 | -99.1066 | 559 | GRA |
| US-xDJ | 63.88112 | -145.751 | 529 | ENF |
| US-xDL | 32.54172 | -87.8039 | 22 | MF |
| US-xGR | 35.68896 | -83.502 | 579 | DBF |
| US-xHA | 42.5369 | -72.1727 | 351 | DBF |
| US-xHE | 63.87569 | -149.213 | 705 | OSH |
| US-xJE | 31.19484 | -84.4686 | 44 | ENF |
| US-xJR | 32.59068 | -106.843 | 1329 | OSH |
| US-xKA | 39.11044 | -96.613 | 1329 | GRA |
| US-xKZ | 39.10077 | -96.5631 | 381 | GRA |
| US-xNG | 46.76972 | -100.915 | 578 | GRA |
| US-xNQ | 40.17759 | -112.452 | 1685 | OSH |
| US-xRM | 40.27591 | -105.546 | 2743 | ENF |
| US-xSE | 38.89008 | -76.56 | 15 | DBF |
| US-xSL | 40.4619 | -103.029 | 1364 | CRO |
| US-xSP | 37.03337 | -119.262 | 1160 | ENF |
| US-xSR | 31.91068 | -110.835 | 983 | OSH |
| US-xST | 45.50894 | -89.5864 | 481 | DBF |
| US-xTE | 37.00583 | -119.006 | 2147 | ENF |
| US-xTL | 68.66109 | -149.37 | 843 | WET |
| US-xTR | 45.49369 | -89.5857 | 472 | DBF |
| US-xUK | 39.04043 | -95.1922 | 335 | DBF |
| US-xUN | 46.23388 | -89.5373 | 518 | MF |
| US-xWD | 47.12823 | -99.2414 | 579 | GRA |
| US-xWR | 45.82049 | -121.952 | 407 | ENF |
| US-xYE | 44.95348 | -110.539 | 2116 | ENF |

130 **Table S2** Summary of FLUXNET sites considered here, along with their location, elevation, and
 131 underlying land cover class. ENF=Evergreen Needleleaf Forest; GRA=Grassland;
 132 CRO=Cropland; DBF=Deciduous Broadleaf Forest; MF= Mixed Forest; OSH=Open Shrubland;
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| Site Name | Latitude | Longitude | Elevation | Land cover |
|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| CZ-BK1 | 49.50208 | 18.53688 | 875 | ENF |
| CZ-BK2 | 49.49443 | 18.54285 | 855 | GRA |
| DE-Geb | 51.09973 | 10.91463 | 161.5 | CRO |
| DE-Hai | 51.07921 | 10.45217 | 430 | DBF |
| DE-Lnf | 51.32822 | 10.3678 | 451 | DBF |
| DE-Tha | 50.96256 | 13.56515 | 385 | ENF |
| FI-Hyy | 61.84741 | 24.29477 | 181 | ENF |
| FR-Gri | 48.84422 | 1.95191 | 125 | CRO |
| FR-LBr | 44.71711 | -0.7693 | 61 | ENF |
| IT-Ren | 46.58686 | 11.43369 | 1730 | ENF |
| RU-Che | 68.61304 | 161.3414 | 6 | WET |
| NL-Hor | 52.24035 | 5.0713 | 2.2 | GRA |

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135 **Table S3** Summary of observed net ecosystem exchange at AmeriFlux sites divided into low
 136 ($k_d < 0.35$) and high ($k_d > 0.65$) k_d regimes for different bins of absorbed shortwave radiation at the
 137 surface (K_{abs}). Differences in net ecosystem exchange between the regimes that are statistically
 138 significant ($p < 0.01$) are in bold and cases where not enough data are available to perform (a)
 139 two-tailed t-test are in grey.

| K_{abs} bins | Net ecosystem exchange ($\mu\text{mol CO}_2 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$) | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---|--------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| | 100-200 W m^{-2} | | 200-300 W m^{-2} | | 300-400 W m^{-2} | | 400-500 W m^{-2} | | 500-600 W m^{-2} | |
| | Site Name | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ |
| US-A32 | -0.98 | -1.75 | -2.67 | -5.45 | -4.5 | -8.17 | -6.1 | -12.48 | -9.24 | -11.77 |
| US-A74 | 0 | -0.7 | -0.72 | -1.28 | -1.59 | -2.48 | -2.61 | -3.82 | -3.4 | -5.02 |
| US-ARM | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-Bi2 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-HB2 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-MRf | -1.83 | -6.16 | -4.49 | -12.18 | -7.23 | -17.1 | -9.82 | -20.47 | -11.71 | -22.68 |
| US-xAB | -0.55 | -3.24 | -2.74 | -5.39 | -4.04 | -7.74 | -4.92 | -10.98 | -5.32 | NaN |
| US-xBN | 0.66 | -1.1 | -0.29 | -3.07 | -0.38 | -2.5 | -0.89 | NaN | -1.54 | NaN |
| US-xBR | -0.85 | -2.76 | -2.83 | -8.93 | -5.39 | -12.47 | -8.45 | -14.9 | -10.5 | -16.32 |
| US-xCP | -0.57 | -0.07 | -0.74 | -0.32 | -1.13 | -1.43 | -1.13 | -1.96 | -1.85 | -1.55 |
| US-xDC | NaN | NaN | 0.06 | -0.54 | NaN | NaN | NaN | -1.07 | NaN | NaN |
| US-xDJ | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xDL | -0.85 | -0.49 | -3.51 | -4.61 | -5.26 | -8.17 | -5.73 | -14.07 | -6.69 | -22.84 |
| US-xGR | -3.37 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | -1.72 | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xHA | 2.28 | NaN | -27.4 | NaN | -6.41 | NaN | NaN | NaN | -27.24 | NaN |
| US-xHE | NaN | 0.39 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xJE | NaN | NaN | NaN | -3.26 | -2.37 | NaN | -13.36 | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xJR | -1.05 | NaN | -0.03 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xKA | 0.16 | 1.94 | -1.1 | 3.76 | -3.74 | 1.82 | 0.28 | -8.01 | -2.25 | -7.82 |
| US-xKZ | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | -5.16 | NaN |
| US-xNG | -0.26 | -0.57 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xNQ | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xRM | -0.03 | -0.94 | -0.78 | -1.81 | -0.81 | -2.77 | -1.42 | -5.2 | -2.61 | -6.81 |
| US-xSE | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |

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|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| US-xSL | NaN | NaN | -0.53 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xSP | 1.66 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | -2.07 | NaN |
| US-xSR | 0.67 | 1.13 | 0.04 | 0.27 | 0.33 | 0.56 | 0.09 | -0.24 | 0.07 | -0.54 |
| US-xST | NaN | -6.8 | NaN | NaN | NaN | -21.91 | NaN | -15.16 | NaN | NaN |
| US-xTE | -1.07 | NaN | -1.46 | NaN | -1.68 | NaN | NaN | -4.35 | NaN | -3.82 |
| US-xTL | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xTR | 0.91 | -3.24 | -6.21 | 0.39 | 2.14 | -1.65 | -1.37 | -13.25 | -3.03 | NaN |
| US-xUK | 0.89 | -3.15 | 4.54 | -9.31 | -4.72 | -11.99 | -7.33 | -13.37 | -6.81 | NaN |
| US-xUN | -14.19 | NaN | NaN | -10.23 | -4.3 | -18.93 | 0.32 | -20.64 | -11.72 | NaN |
| US-xWD | 0.19 | -0.84 | -1.08 | -3.52 | -2.3 | -5.78 | -3.05 | -6.3 | -4.16 | -7.61 |
| US-xWR | -0.36 | -5.01 | 0.5 | -9.29 | -6.68 | -8.51 | -7.47 | -19.47 | -8.46 | -14.88 |
| US-xYE | -0.17 | -2.38 | -0.73 | -3.04 | -2.08 | -5.18 | -2.99 | -7.19 | -3.48 | -9.09 |

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 143 and high ($k_d > 0.65$) k_d regimes for different bins of absorbed shortwave radiation at the surface
 144 (K_{abs}). Differences in latent heat flux between the regimes that are statistically significant
 145 ($p < 0.01$) are in bold and cases where not enough data are available to perform (a) two-tailed t-
 146 test are in grey.

| K_{abs} bins | Latent heat flux ($W m^{-2}$) | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | 100-200 $W m^{-2}$ | | 200-300 $W m^{-2}$ | | 300-400 $W m^{-2}$ | | 400-500 $W m^{-2}$ | | 500-600 $W m^{-2}$ | |
| | Site Name | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ |
| US-A32 | 64.25 | 61.4 | 87.19 | 94.08 | 106.37 | 128.93 | 137.1 | 174.82 | 186.35 | 209.22 |
| US-A74 | 68.76 | 73.38 | 98.31 | 105.95 | 124.98 | 136.66 | 150.74 | 176.89 | 170.9 | 205.43 |
| US-ARM | 50.93 | 62.35 | 81.1 | 97.08 | 98.83 | 132.68 | 125.91 | 168.81 | 179.8 | 208.53 |
| US-Bi2 | NaN | 44 | 138.24 | 71.32 | 117.26 | 89.61 | 120.34 | 115.62 | 148.35 | 175.72 |
| US-HB2 | 48.81 | 77.32 | 68.54 | 97.02 | 101.09 | 116.95 | 122.19 | 146.06 | 147.08 | 181.18 |
| US-MRf | 57.14 | 41.9 | 66.55 | 64.88 | 80.67 | 96.39 | 104.4 | 116.32 | 124.13 | 134.72 |
| US-xAB | 32.5 | 34 | 59.01 | 61.46 | 97.95 | 103.89 | 131.76 | 99.66 | 197.57 | NaN |
| US-xBN | 22.83 | 22.26 | 38.99 | 54.39 | 45.49 | 76.56 | 70.98 | NaN | 77.56 | NaN |
| US-xBR | 40.5 | 51.76 | 61.98 | 84.77 | 85.52 | 117.73 | 118.12 | 160.77 | 150.55 | 173.53 |
| US-xCP | 21.89 | 33.2 | 41.18 | 38.13 | 53.75 | 74.42 | 60.15 | 90.54 | 88.88 | 100.41 |
| US-xDC | NaN | NaN | 32.89 | 37.25 | NaN | NaN | NaN | 69.21 | NaN | NaN |
| US-xDJ | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xDL | 42.03 | 55.14 | 78.28 | 90.69 | 108.74 | 128.5 | 144.75 | 177.2 | 174.92 | 270.89 |
| US-xGR | 22.49 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | 26.88 | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xHA | 10.06 | NaN | 96.64 | NaN | 67.42 | NaN | NaN | NaN | 250.58 | NaN |
| US-xHE | NaN | 29.95 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xJE | NaN | NaN | NaN | 108.4 | 153.31 | NaN | 153.91 | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xJR | 50.65 | NaN | 35.58 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xKA | 39.69 | 41.15 | 63.52 | 65.76 | 91.75 | 88.57 | 114.3 | 113.32 | 138.86 | 155.36 |
| US-xKZ | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | 168.82 | NaN |
| US-xNG | 8.92 | 14.95 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xNQ | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xRM | 29.03 | 41.99 | 41.96 | 59.19 | 54.8 | 77.72 | 67.97 | 99.35 | 95.15 | 117.51 |
| US-xSE | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |

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|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| US-xSL | NaN | NaN | 47.18 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xSP | 7.03 | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | 74.92 | NaN |
| US-xSR | 13.76 | 35.27 | 21.05 | 42.87 | 24.74 | 44.79 | 27.45 | 50.66 | 35.68 | 74.42 |
| US-xST | NaN | 35.12 | NaN | NaN | NaN | 136.49 | NaN | 176.46 | NaN | NaN |
| US-xTE | 53.95 | NaN | 43.53 | NaN | 61.48 | NaN | NaN | 83.86 | NaN | 135.93 |
| US-xTL | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN | NaN |
| US-xTR | 2.28 | 56.44 | 52.16 | 12 | 28.75 | 20.26 | 52.68 | 231.33 | 85.1 | NaN |
| US-xUK | 68.35 | 55.85 | 63.74 | 83.56 | 94.36 | 89.26 | 119.08 | 159.31 | 139.69 | NaN |
| US-xUN | 36.51 | NaN | NaN | 193.94 | 70.15 | 252.92 | 3.32 | 217.32 | 158.48 | NaN |
| US-xWD | 12.48 | 24.09 | 44.34 | 66.03 | 78.37 | 92.31 | 104.23 | 116.84 | 145.91 | 166.46 |
| US-xWR | 40.54 | 53.88 | 54.27 | 104.58 | 64.34 | 99.03 | 113.31 | 156.74 | 141.64 | 192.82 |
| US-xYE | 34.24 | 67.35 | 51.18 | 84.4 | 52.26 | 118.88 | 93.39 | 172.32 | 163.06 | 177.62 |

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149 **Table S5** Summary of observed gross primary productivity at FLUXNET sites divided into low
 150 ($k_d < 0.35$) and high ($k_d > 0.65$) k_d regimes for different bins of absorbed shortwave radiation at the
 151 surface (K_{abs}). Differences in gross primary productivity between the regimes that are statistically
 152 significant ($p < 0.01$) are in bold and cases where not enough data are available to perform (a)
 153 two-tailed t-test are in grey.

| K_{abs} bins | Gross primary productivity ($\mu\text{mol CO}_2 \text{ m}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$) | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | 100-200 W m^{-2} | | 200-300 W m^{-2} | | 300-400 W m^{-2} | | 400-500 W m^{-2} | | 500-600 W m^{-2} | |
| Site Name | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ |
| CZ-BK1 | 10.26 | 11.22 | 13.65 | 16.07 | 16.45 | 19.36 | 18.33 | 21.42 | 20.06 | 23.43 |
| CZ-BK2 | 6.85 | 6.91 | 9 | 9.38 | 10.42 | 11.35 | 10.44 | 12.32 | 11.12 | 13.09 |
| DE-Geb | 4.17 | 5.33 | 6.33 | 8.68 | 8.34 | 11.91 | 10.39 | 13.99 | 12.77 | 16.67 |
| DE-Hai | 6.89 | 8.59 | 9.54 | 14.23 | 12.85 | 18.39 | 16.4 | 21.4 | 18.7 | 26.4 |
| DE-Lnf | 6.94 | 8.89 | 9.2 | 14.26 | 11.63 | 18.46 | 14.62 | 21.99 | 17.11 | 24.74 |
| DE-Tha | 8.75 | 7.5 | 8.96 | 10.78 | 8.14 | 13.21 | 6.6 | 14.98 | 11.1 | 18.17 |
| FI-Hyy | 5.99 | 6.91 | 7.88 | 10.43 | 9.62 | 12.9 | 11.52 | 15.21 | 13.45 | 16.92 |
| FR-Gri | 6.02 | 6.85 | 8.06 | 11.48 | 10.79 | 15.23 | 14.21 | 17.35 | 17.48 | 17.15 |
| FR-LBr | 7.85 | 7.7 | 10.18 | 10.94 | 12.08 | 13.34 | 13.39 | 15.65 | 13.47 | 17.39 |
| IT-Ren | 5.3 | 6.78 | 6.69 | 10.53 | 7.89 | 14.1 | 10.97 | 16.77 | 14.08 | 19.73 |
| NL-Hor | 8.37 | NaN | 12.02 | NaN | 15.1 | NaN | 16.94 | NaN | 18.58 | NaN |

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156 **Table S6** Summary of observed latent heat flux at FLUXNET sites divided into low ($k_d < 0.35$)
 157 and high ($k_d > 0.65$) k_d regimes for different bins of absorbed shortwave radiation at the surface
 158 (K_{abs}). Differences in latent heat flux between the regimes that are statistically significant
 159 ($p < 0.01$) are in bold and cases where not enough data are available to perform (a) two-tailed t-
 160 test are in grey.

| K_{abs} bins | Latent heat flux ($W m^{-2}$) | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | 100-200 $W m^{-2}$ | | 200-300 $W m^{-2}$ | | 300-400 $W m^{-2}$ | | 400-500 $W m^{-2}$ | | 500-600 $W m^{-2}$ | |
| | Site Name | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ | $k_d > 0.65$ | $k_d < 0.35$ |
| CZ-BK1 | 30.41 | 34.63 | 52.42 | 65.41 | 75.38 | 91.31 | 98.46 | 116.3 | 125.57 | 129.13 |
| CZ-BK2 | 29.69 | 22.78 | 51.43 | 45.63 | 74.77 | 67.38 | 97.71 | 103.32 | 124.09 | 125.71 |
| DE-Geb | 33.69 | 37.15 | 59.58 | 73.44 | 88.48 | 110.99 | 119.57 | 142.65 | 154.68 | 176.56 |
| DE-Hai | 45.14 | 50.31 | 79.44 | 97.25 | 113.63 | 139.74 | 151.12 | 166.11 | 186.16 | 205.35 |
| DE-Lnf | 34.86 | 45.95 | 59.22 | 93.23 | 88.30 | 138.16 | 124.99 | 172.22 | 165.01 | 193.32 |
| DE-Tha | 39.98 | 30.21 | 53.25 | 44.69 | 50.95 | 66.6 | 46.68 | 83.43 | 78.09 | 116.87 |
| FI-Hyy | 32.13 | 43.44 | 51.51 | 77.55 | 75.66 | 104.38 | 105.87 | 130.39 | 139.35 | 161.11 |
| FR-Gri | 38.78 | 52.12 | 62.23 | 88.88 | 96.14 | 118.39 | 132.43 | 146.64 | 168.36 | 168.87 |
| FR-LBr | 41.97 | 56.8 | 68.28 | 94.4 | 95.26 | 125.54 | 125.75 | 153.49 | 146.37 | 178.57 |
| IT-Ren | 35.97 | 60.5 | 56.93 | 103.33 | 79.69 | 154.57 | 113.51 | 178.3 | 158.18 | 215.61 |
| NL-Hor | 75.53 | NaN | 147.64 | NaN | 199.62 | NaN | 256.23 | NaN | 312.89 | NaN |