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## Consistent satellite $XCO_2$ retrievals from SCIAMACHY and GOSAT using the BESD algorithm

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**Table S1.** Comparison of the validation results against TCCON using three different collocation criteria, the  $10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$  box around a TCCON site, a  $5^{\circ}$  radius and a 350 km radius. Shown are the statistical summary values: (i) the mean of the mean differences to TCCON (offset,  $\bar{\Delta}$ ), (ii) the standard deviation of the mean differences (estimated station-to-station bias, SD  $\Delta$ ), (iii) the mean of the standard deviation of the difference (estimated single measurement precision,  $\bar{\sigma}$ ), (iv) the mean correlation coefficient ( $\bar{r}$ ) and (v) the number of stations with a sufficient amount of collocations (n > 30).

		GOSAT BESD	– Full Data	aset	SCIAMACHY BESD – Full Dataset							
Collocation method	$ar{\Delta}$ [ppm]	SD $\Delta$ [ppm]	$\bar{\sigma}$ [ppm]	$\bar{r}$ [–]	n [-]	$\bar{\Delta}$ [ppm]	$\mathrm{SD}\ \Delta\ [\mathrm{ppm}]$	$\bar{\sigma}$ [ppm]	$\bar{r}$ [–]	n [–]		
$10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$	-0.30	0.43	2.09	0.79	11	-0.05	0.89	2.20	0.78	11		
$5^{\circ}$ radius	-0.27	0.39	2.08	0.79	11	-0.05	0.90	2.20	0.77	11		
350 km radius	-0.22	0.41	1.99	0.80	9	-0.10	0.85	2.26	0.74	9		
		GOSAT BESI	O – 2010–20	)11	SCIAMACHY BESD – 2010–2011							
$10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$	-0.42	0.48	2.04	0.71	11	-0.08	0.88	2.12	0.63	11		
$5^{\circ}$ radius	-0.38	0.44	2.05	0.71	11	-0.09	0.86	2.12	0.62	11		
350 km radius	-0.39	0.40	1.93	0.72	9	-0.20	0.75	2.25	0.54	9		

Table S2. Same as Tab. S1 but for daily means. The statistical summary values are computed using only stations with more than 10 days of data.

	GOSAT – TCCON						SCIAMACH	Y – TCCO	GOSAT – SCIAMACHY						
Collocation method	$\bar{\Delta}$ [ppm]	$\mathrm{SD}\ \Delta\ [\mathrm{ppm}]$	$\bar{\sigma}$ [ppm]	$\bar{r}$ [-]	n [-]	$\bar{\Delta}$ [ppm]	$\mathrm{SD}\ \Delta\ [\mathrm{ppm}]$	$\bar{\sigma}$ [ppm]	$\bar{r}$ [-]	n [-]	$\bar{\Delta}$ [ppm]	$\mathrm{SD}\ \Delta\ [\mathrm{ppm}]$	$\bar{\sigma}$ [ppm]	$\bar{r}$ [-]	n [-]
$10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$	-0.17	0.54	1.28	0.85	9	-0.05	0.85	1.60	0.73	9	-0.77	0.59	1.51	0.80	9
5° radius	-0.24	0.46	1.39	0.85	5	-0.17	0.74	1.68	0.66	5	-0.38	0.40	1.60	0.77	5
350 km radius	-0.34	0.11	0.96	0.88	2	0.07	0.71	1.51	0.69	2	-0.23	0.58	1.48	0.72	2

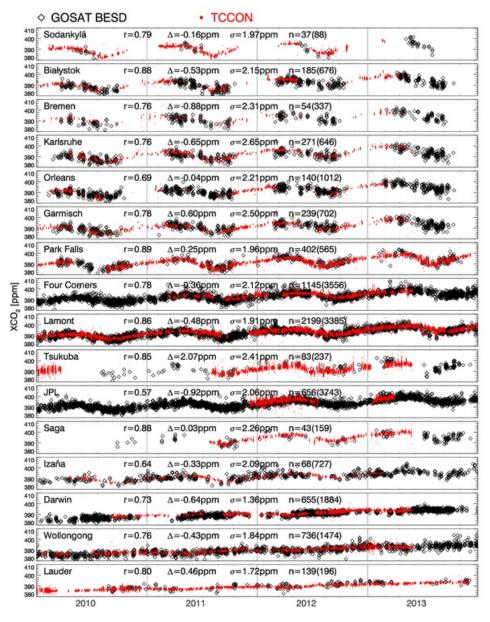


Figure S1. GOSAT BESD XCO<sub>2</sub> and TCCON XCO<sub>2</sub> at the chosen TCCON sites. "r" is the correlation coefficient, " $\Delta$ " is the mean of the difference GOSAT minus TCCON, " $\sigma$ " is the standard deviation of the difference and "n" the number of collocations ( $\pm 2 \, h$ ,  $10^{\circ} \times 10^{\circ}$ , in brackets: number of GOSAT measurements with "good" quality). A summary of all values is given in Table 5.

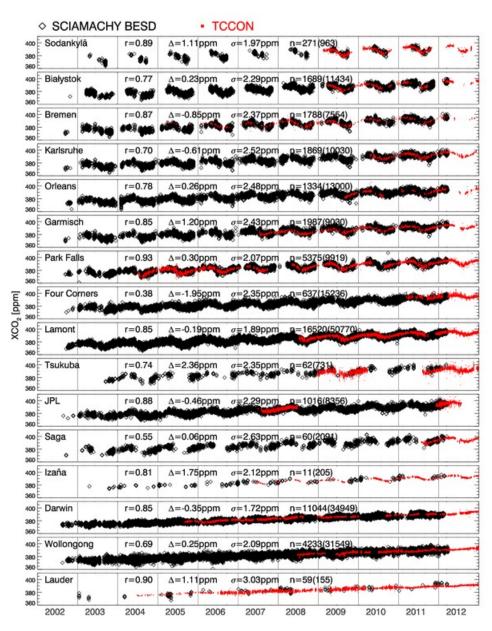
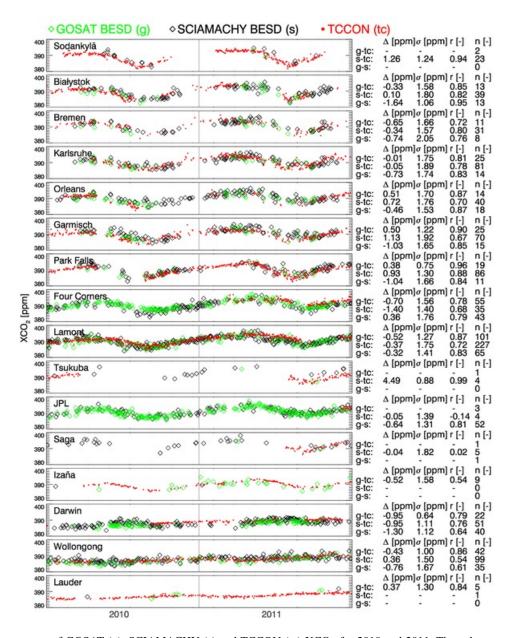


Figure S2. As Fig. S1 but for SCIAMACHY BESD XCO<sub>2</sub>. A summary of all values is given in Table 6.



**Figure S3.** Daily averages of GOSAT (g), SCIAMACHY (s) and TCCON (tc) XCO<sub>2</sub> for 2010 and 2011. The values are computed as for Fig. S1 and are summarised in Table 7.