

# National Tibetan Plateau Data Center

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# Outline

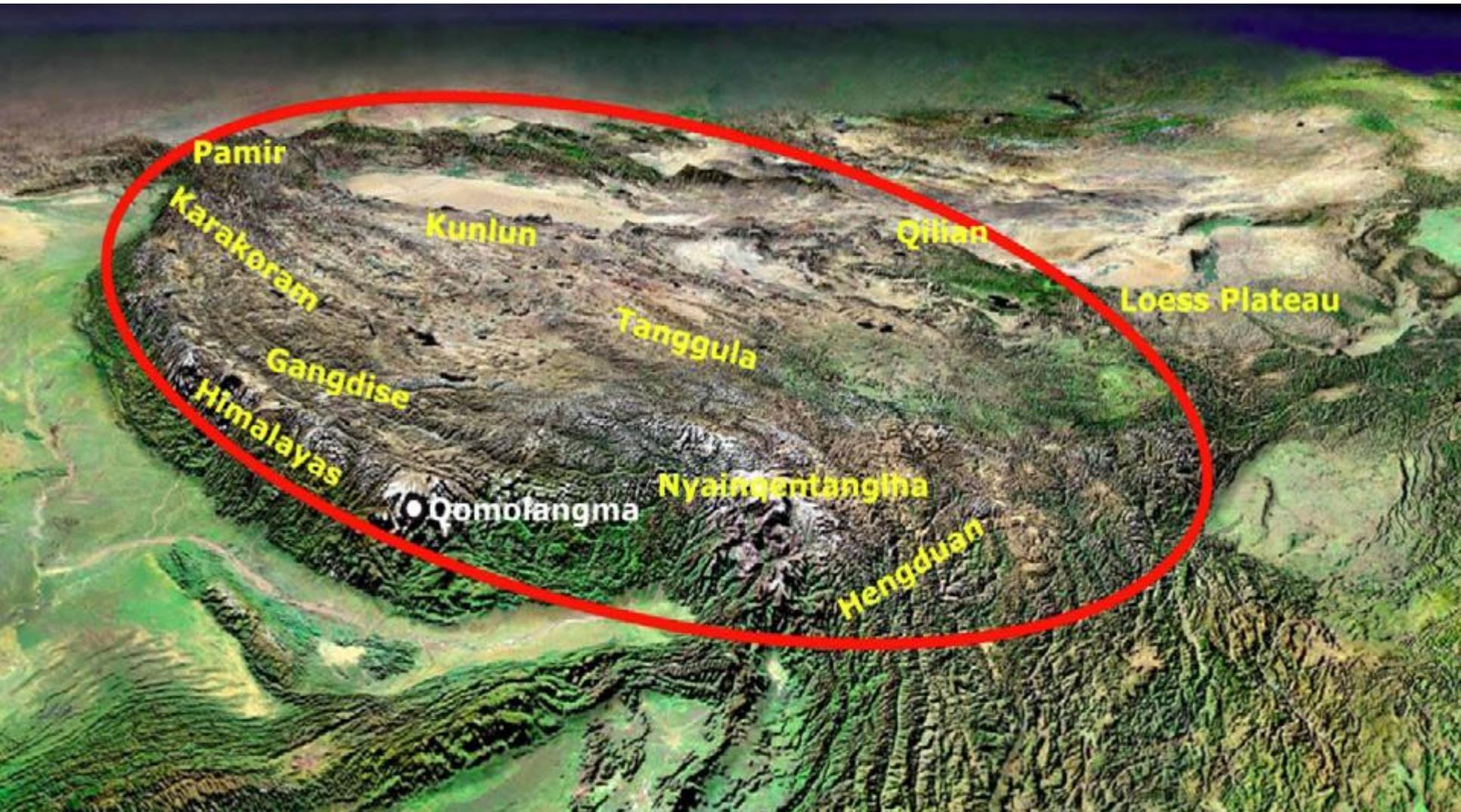
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# 1. The Third Pole and recent research projects



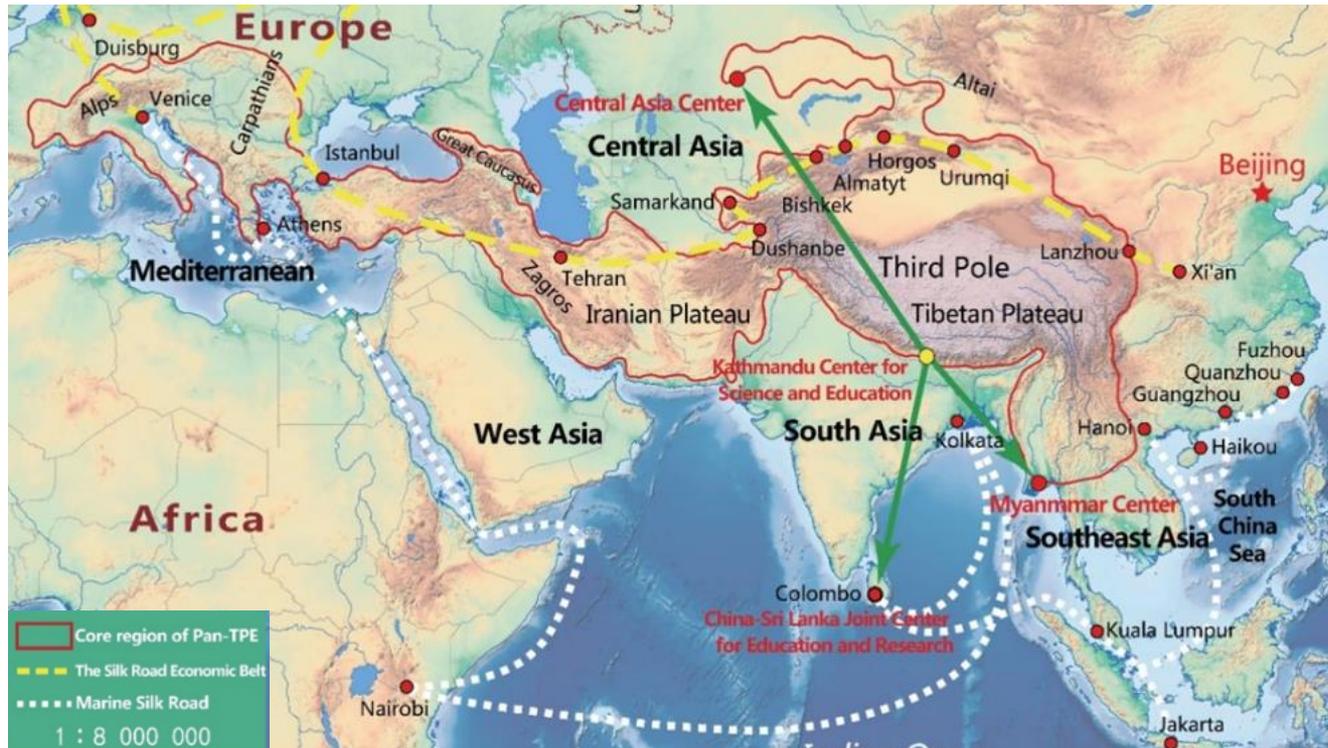
# Third pole



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# Strategic Priority Research Program (A) of Chinese Academy of Sciences

## Pan-Third Pole Environment Study for a Green Silk Road (2018-2022)

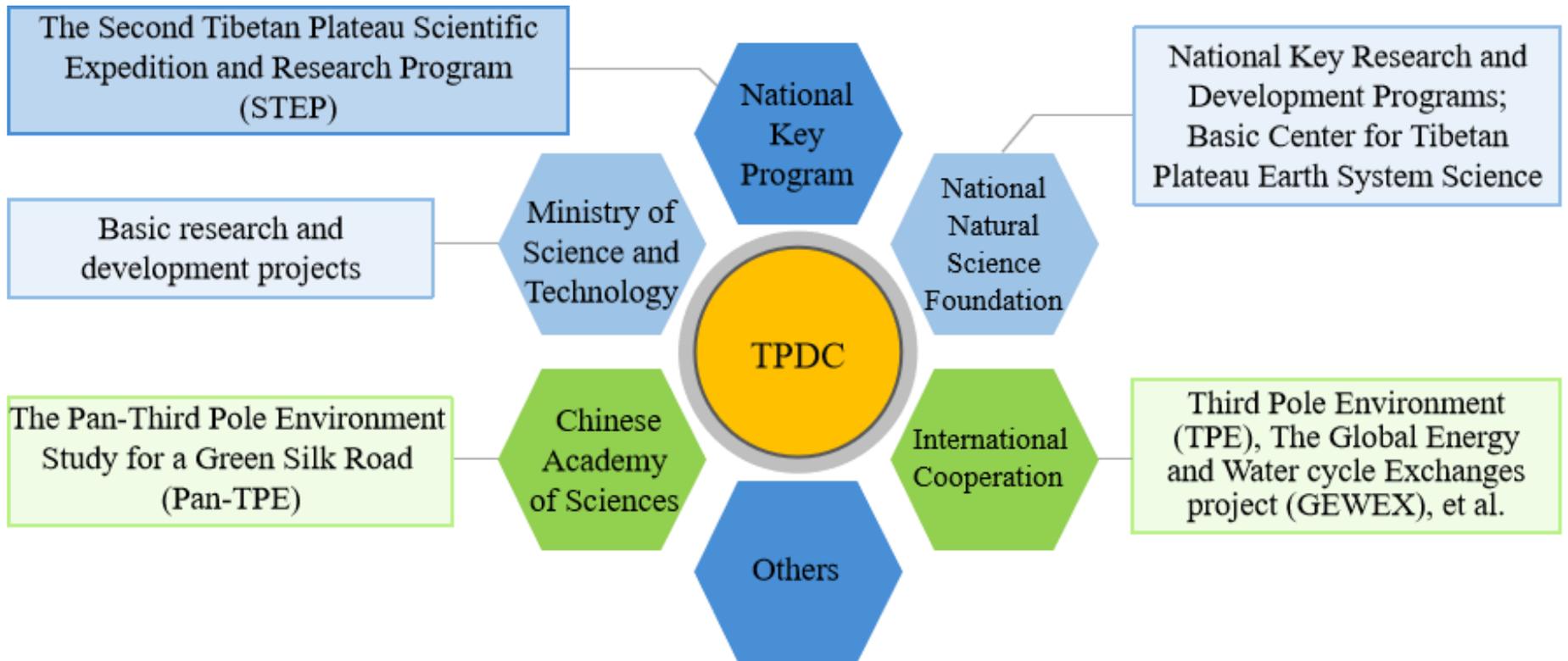


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# Second Tibetan Plateau Scientific Expedition Program (2017-2026)



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## 2. Data integration for the Third Pole



# Three pOle big Data and Observational center (TODO)

**Objectives:** 1) Establish a big data center for Three-Pole earth system science, integrate the Three-Pole data resources; 2) Develop the Internet of things (IOT) observation technology under extreme environments and build an integrated intelligent IOT Observation System for the Pan-Third Pole region; 3) Develop the prediction model for Pan-Third Pole environmental change driven by both big data and mechanism model to support the decision-making for complex issues of sustainable development in the Pan-Third Pole region.

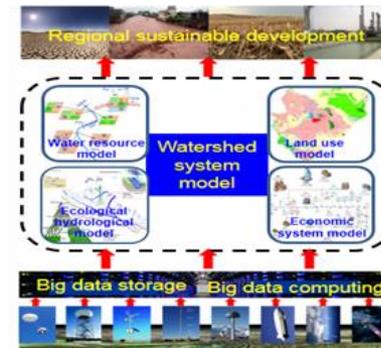
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- ❑ Three-Pole Big Data
- ❑ Remote Sensing & IOT Observation
- ❑ Environment Predication& Decision Support

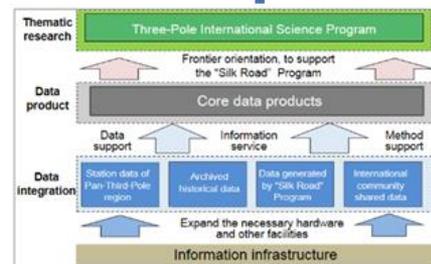
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- ❑ Professor: 6
- ❑ Associate Professor: 5
- ❑ Postdoc/Assistant Researcher: 14

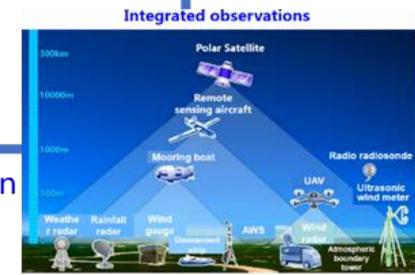
### 3. Environment Prediction & Decision Support



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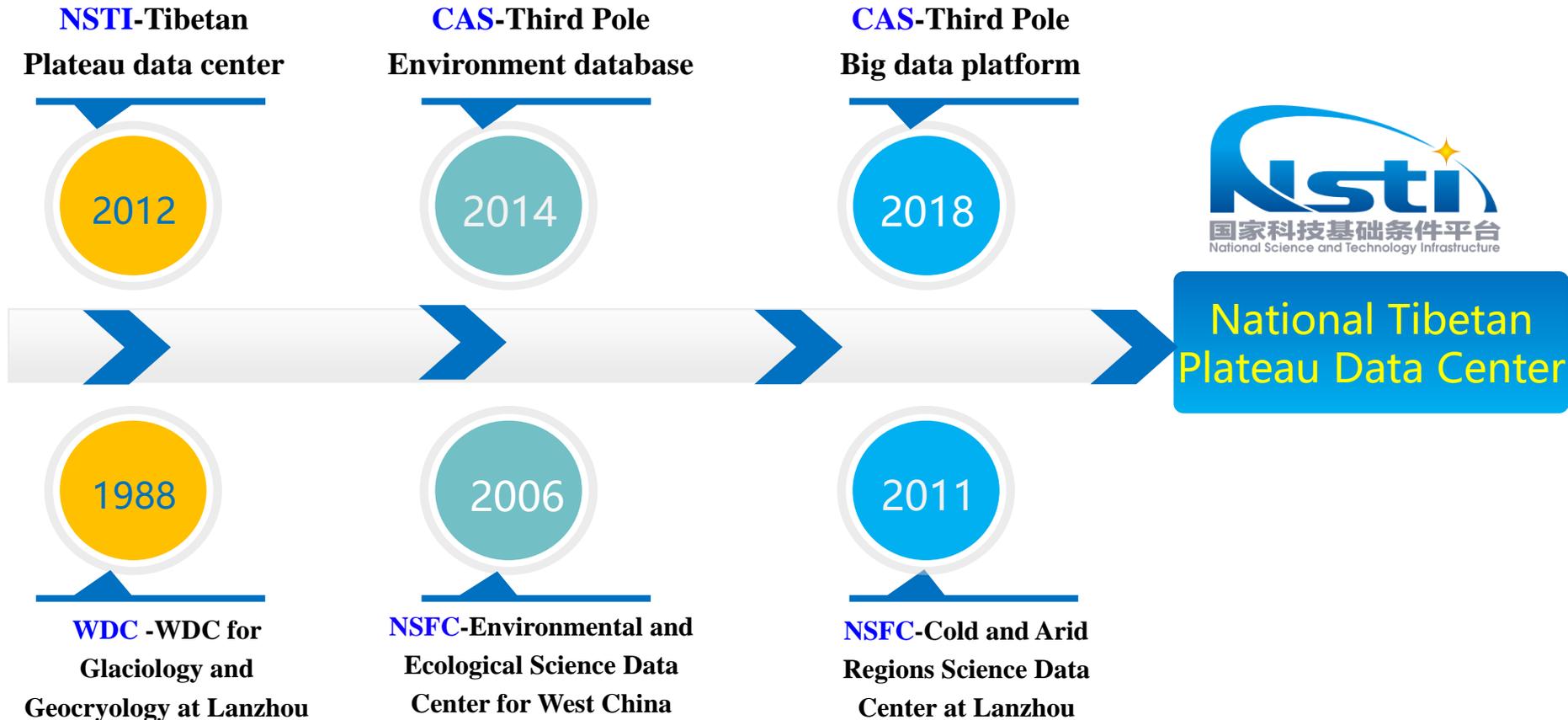


1. Three-Pole Big Data



2. Remote Sensing & IOT Observation

# Development process



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# Data integration

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**Key datasets**

- Long-term sequence dataset of China snow depth ...
- Dataset of river basins map over the TP (2016)
- Long-term sequence dataset of lake area on the TI...
- Asian monsoon experiment on the Tibetan Plateau...
- Inventory data of glacial lake in west China (2015)
- The second glacier inventory dataset of China (version 1.0) (2006-2011)
- A monthly air temperature and precipitation gridded...
- China meteorological forcing dataset (1979-2018)
- Dataset of soil properties for land surface modelin...

**Discipline** Theme

Cryosphere | Hydrology | Soil Science | Atmosphere

Biosphere | Geology

Paleoclimata/Paleoenvironment

Human Dimensions/Nature Resources | Disaster

Remote Sensing Data | Basic Geographic

**Latest datasets**

- The 1 km Permafrost Zonation Index Map over the ...
- Land use of the Tibet Plateau in 2015 (Version 1.0)
- Land cover of core countries of the Belt and Road I...
- Gridded Monthly Temperature Lapse Rates of the ...
- Dataset of major global forest fire disasters (2018...
- Dataset of tropical cyclone tracks and subsequent flo...
- Dataset of spatial and temporal distribution of glob...
- Global Typhoon path dataset (2018)
- Typical case dataset of major global flood disaster...

Heihe | Multiscale surface flux and meteorological observation d | Observational datasets of Pan-Third Pole | The Second Tibetan Plateau Scientific Expedition (STEP)



**A Big Earth Data Platform for Three Poles**

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CASEarth: Big Earth Data for Three Poles is a polar research project driven by polar big data and unprecedented climate and environment changes from an integrated, interdisciplinary and comprehensive perspective aiming to construct a comprehensive information platform, to better serve polar data acquisition, integration and sharing, to deeply understand polar environment and climate changes as well as their linkage with global climate and environment system in the past, at present and in the future, moreover, to scientifically support decision-making on polar sustainable development and polar infrastructure.

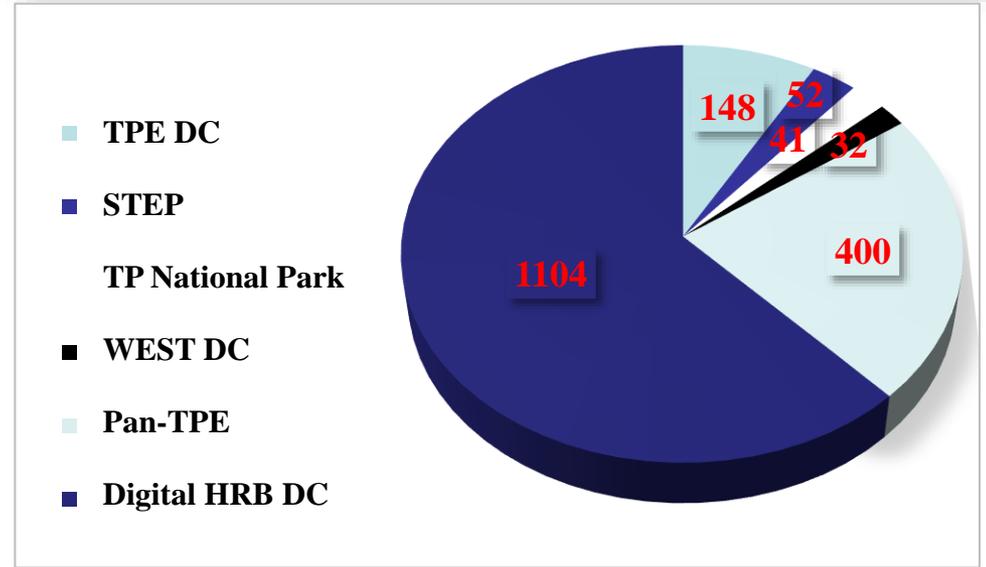
## A Big Earth Data Platform for Three Poles

**The Antarctic** | The Arctic | The Third pole

The Antarctic is one of the cold sources of the Earth's atmosphere and a region that is sensitive to climate change. With global warming, Antarctica has become a key area for international programs to study global climate change. Most of the world's ice and snow is stored in the Antarctic, and more than 95% of Antarctica is covered by ice sheets with an average thickness of 2,000 meters. Ice shelves and snow that is not covered all year round. It has an ice continent that can raise the global sea level by 66 meters.

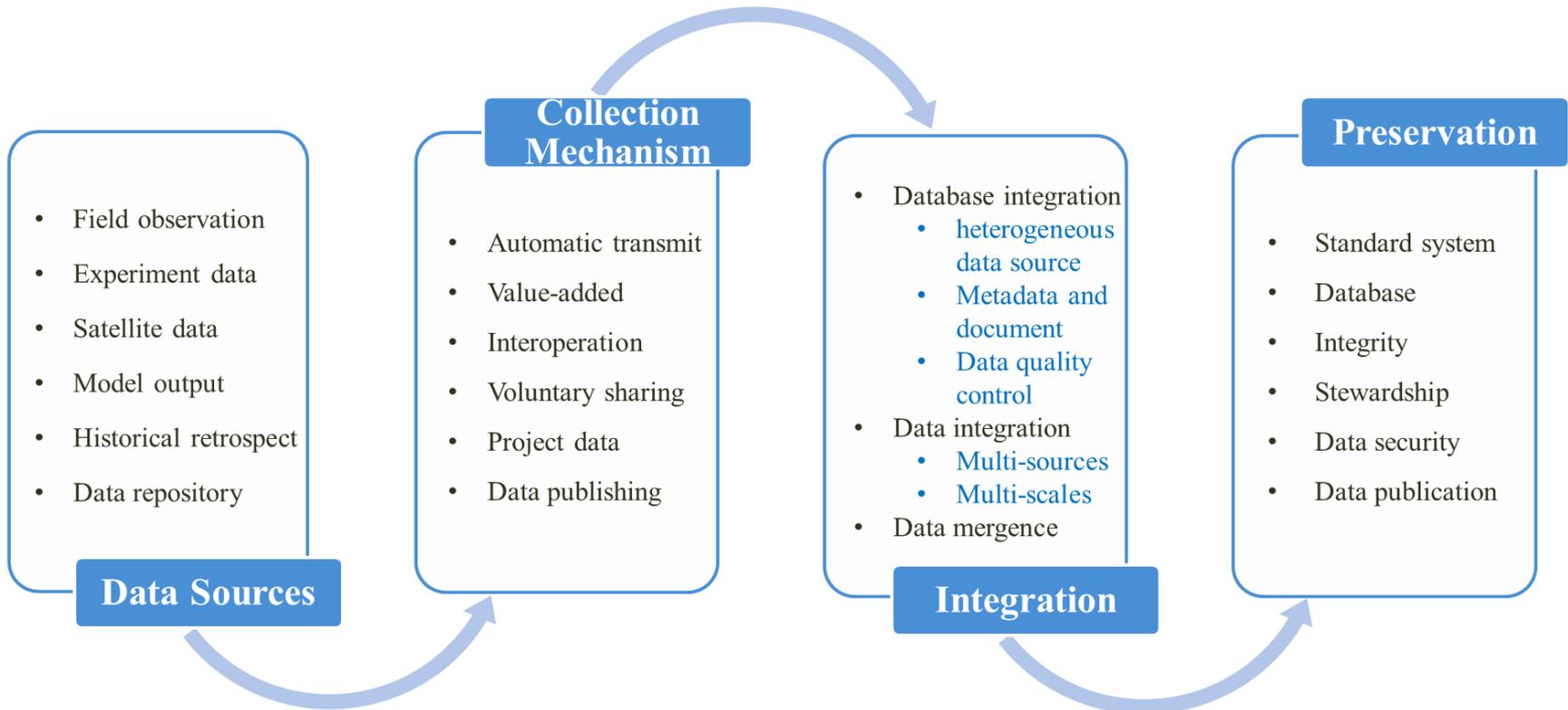
**Latest datasets**

- The second glacier inventory dataset of China (version 1.0) (2006-2011)
- Circum-Arctic map of permafrost and ground ice conditions (v2)
- Map of permafrost on the Qinghai-Tibet Plateau (1:3,000,000) (1983-)

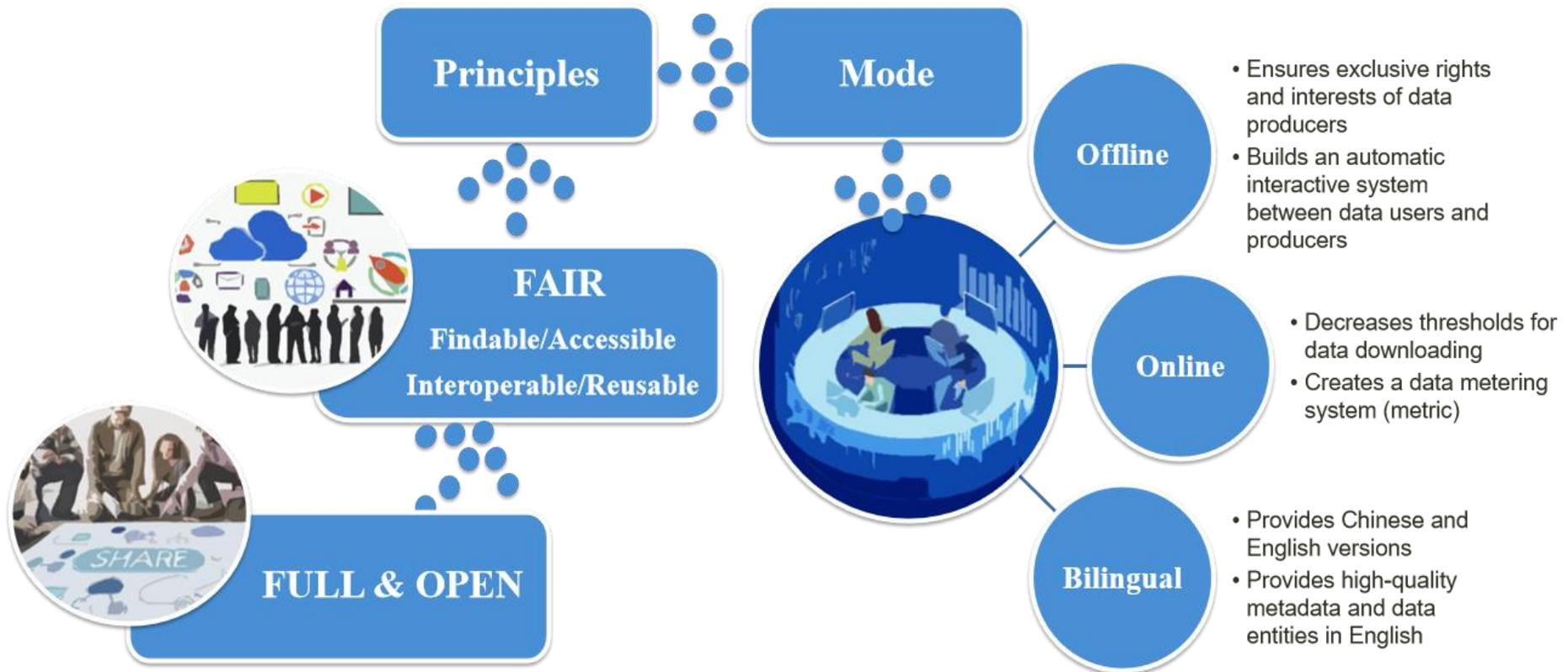


# Data Integration Framework

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# Data Sharing Principle and Manners



# Big Data System for Pan-Third Pole



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A China soil characteristics dataset (2010)

Discipline

Theme

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Cryosphere Hydrology Soil Science  
Atmosphere Biosphere Geology  
Paleoclimate/Palaeoenvironment  
Human Dimensions/Nature Resources Disaster  
Remote Sensing Data Basic Geographic  
Solid Geophysics

## NEW Latest datasets

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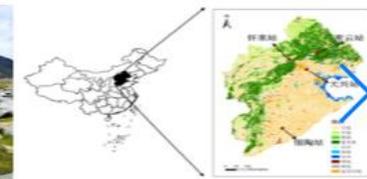
Third-polar environmental change and green silk road



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Multi-scale surface flux and meteorological observations

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## Statistics

Number of Datasets: 1,646

Total Data Size: 33 TB

First Published: 2014-03-07

### Meteorological Observation Data from the Integrated Observation and Research Station of the Alpine Environment in Southeast Tibet (2007-2016)

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**Keywords**

**Discipline:** Atmosphere

**Theme:** Precipitation

Atmospheric Radiation  
Atmospheric Temperature  
Atmospheric Winds  
Precipitation Amount Humidity  
Atmospheric Pressure  
Atmospheric Water Vapor

**Places:** Southeast Tibet  
Tibetan Plateau

**Time:** 2007-2016

**Citation**

**Citations**

1. Wang, Y., Ma, Y., Zhu, Z., & Li, M., (2010). Variation Characteristics of Meteorological Elements in Near Surface Layer over the Lulang Valley of Southeastern Tibetan Plateau. Plateau Meteorology, 29(1), 63-69.(View Details)  
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  8. Basic Data on Natural Resources in the Tibetan Autonomous Region (1988-1994)
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# Detail Metrics

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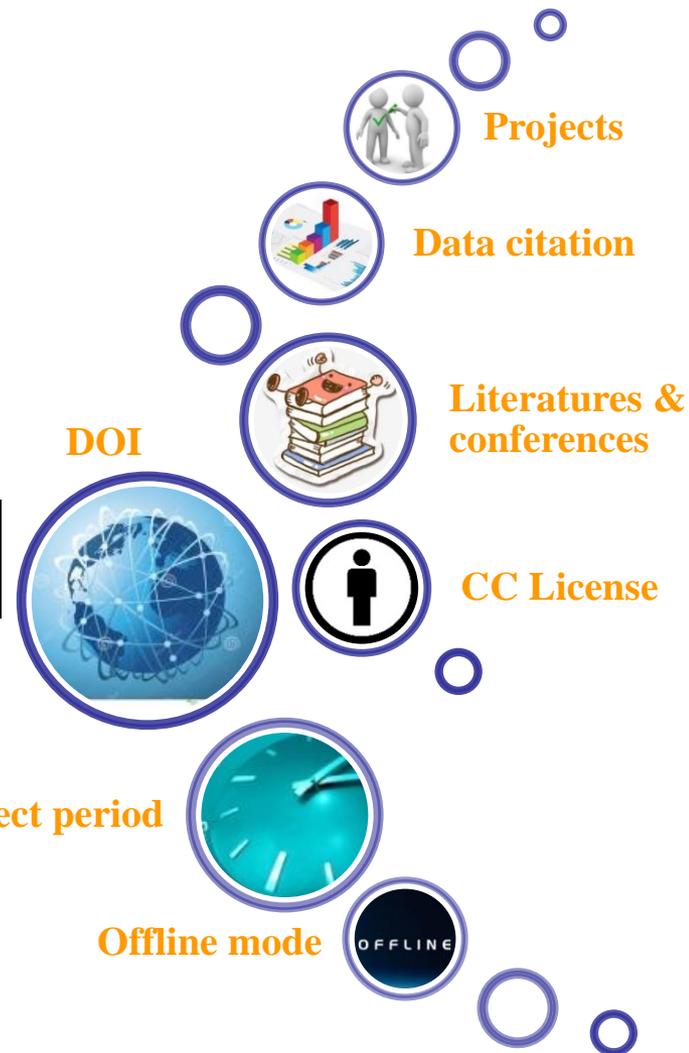
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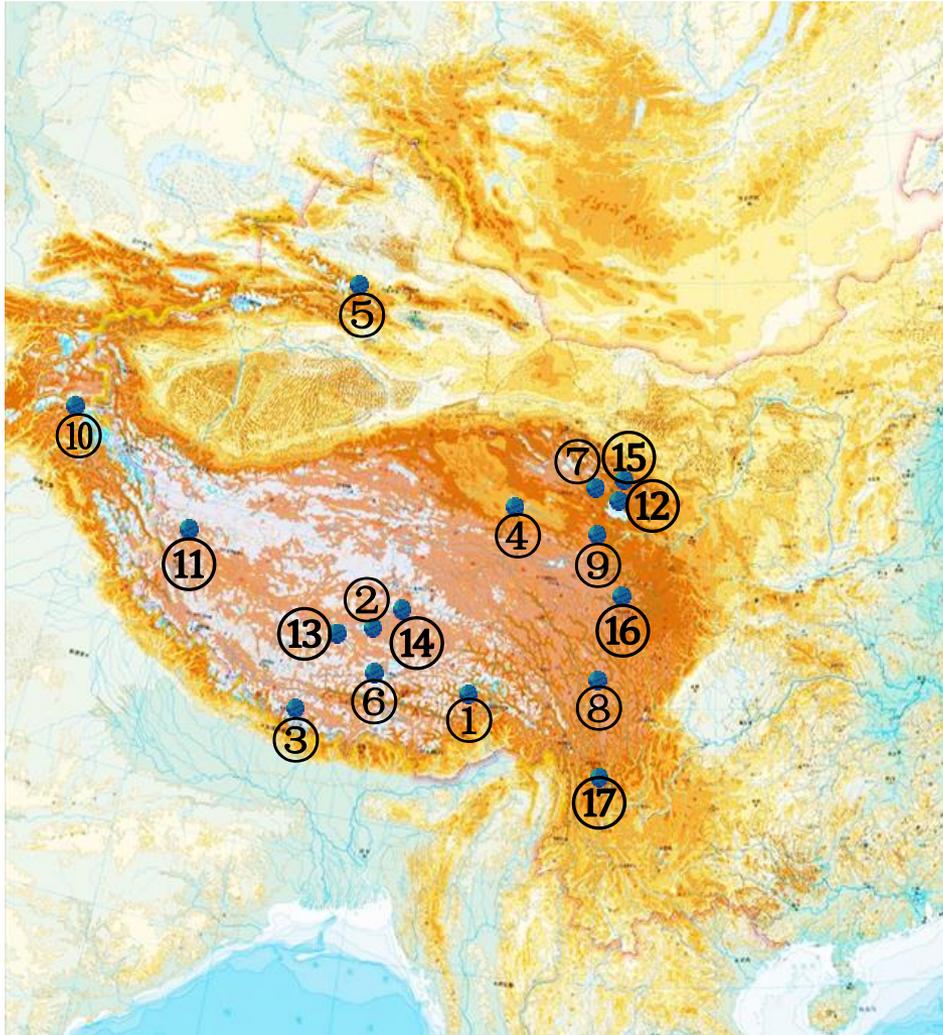
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# 3.1 Calibration and Verification Datasets

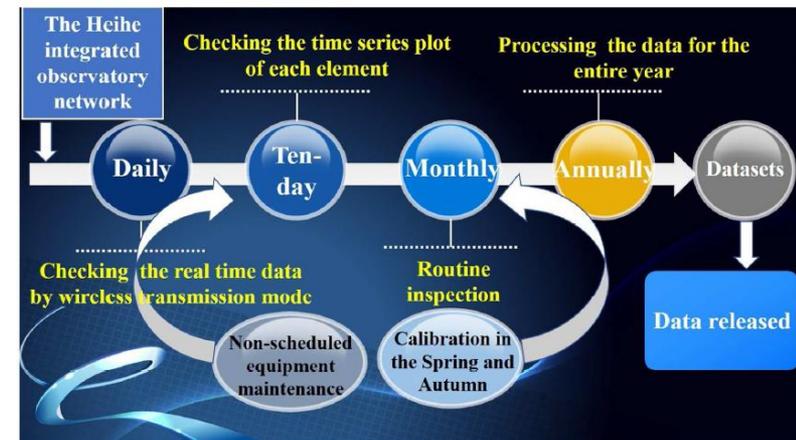
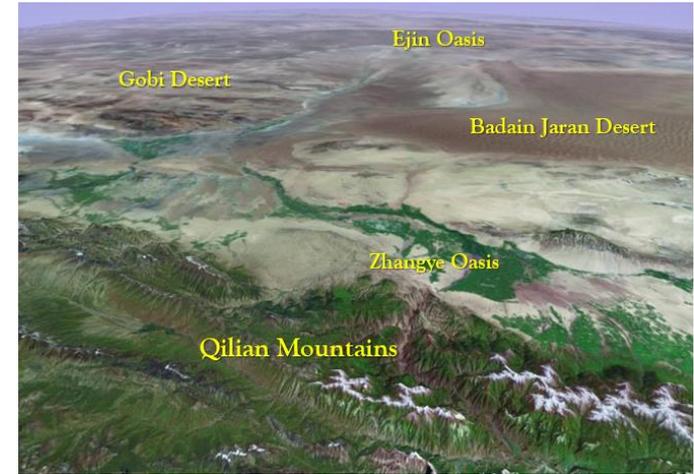
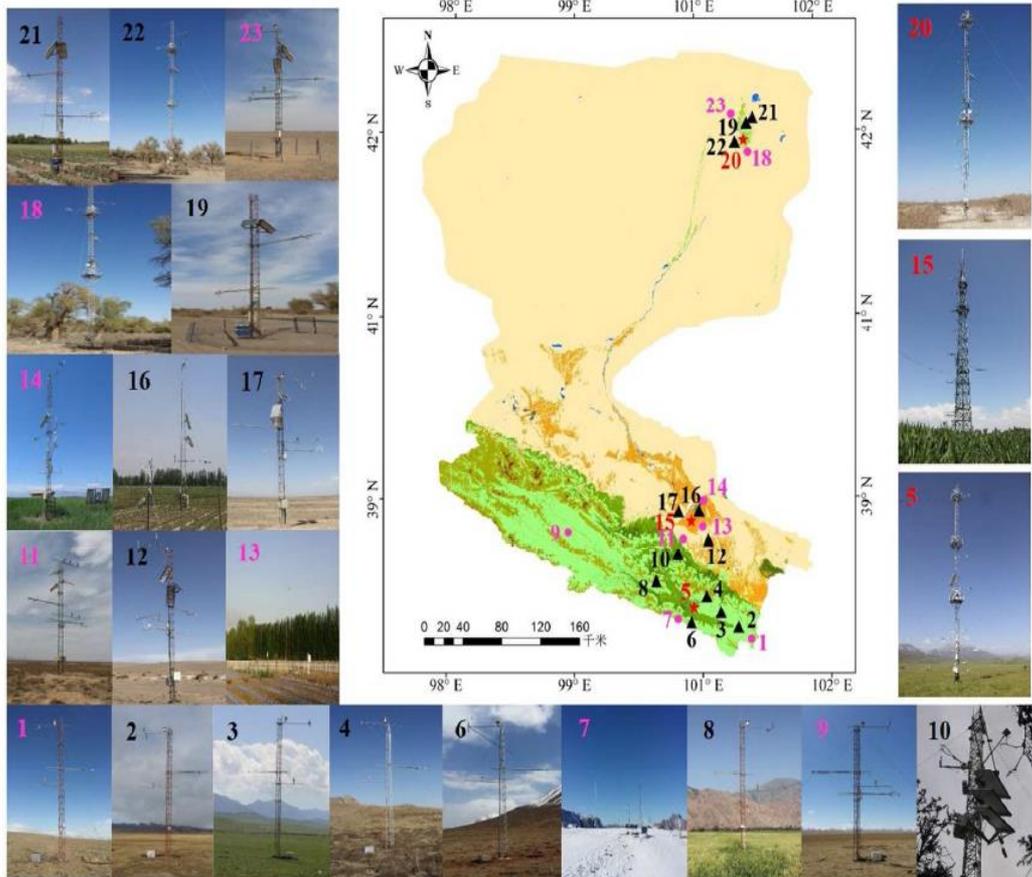
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# High-cold region Observation and Research Network



- **1. Southeastern TP station** (Southeast Tibet Observation and Research Station for the Alpine Environment)
- **2. Namco station** (Nam Co Monitoring and Research Station for Multisphere Interactions)
- **3. Qomolangma station** (Qomolangma Atmospheric and Environmental Observation and Research Station)
- **4. Golmud station** (Cryosphere Research Station on Qinghai-Xizang Plateau)
- **5. Tianshan station** (Tianshan Glaciological Station)
- **6. Lhasa station** (Lhasa Plateau Ecosystem Research Station)
- **7. Haibei station** (Haibei National Field Research Station of Alpine Grassland Ecosystem)
- **8. Gongga station** (Alpine Ecosystem Observation and Experiment Station of Mt. Gongga)
- **9. Three rivers sources station** (Three rivers sources Ecosystem Observation and Research Station)
- **10. Muztagh Ata station** (Muztagh Ata Westerly Observation and Research Station)
- **11. Ngari station** (Ngari Desert Observation and Research Station)
- **12. Qinghai lake station** (Qinghai Lake National Nature Reserve Base Station)
- **13. Shenzha station** (Shenzha Alpine Grassland and Wetland Ecosystem Station)
- **14. Nagqu station** (Nagqu Station of Plateau Climate and Environment)
- **15. Qilianshan station** (Qilian Shan Station of Glaciology and Ecologic Environment)
- **16. Norgay station** (Norgay Plateau Wetlands Ecosystem Research Station)
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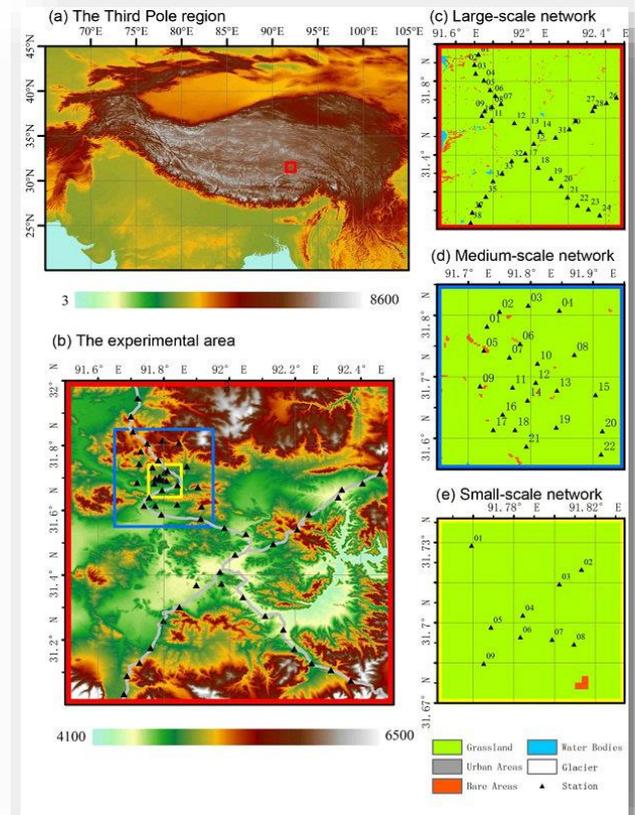
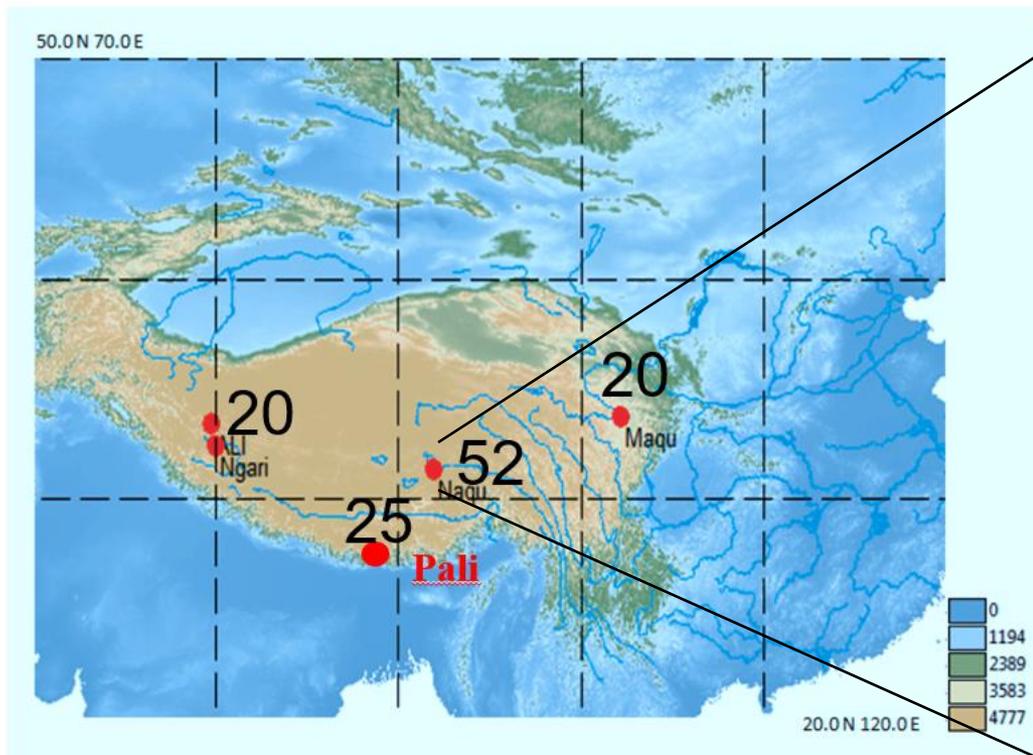
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# Soil moisture and temperature networks in Tibetan Plateau

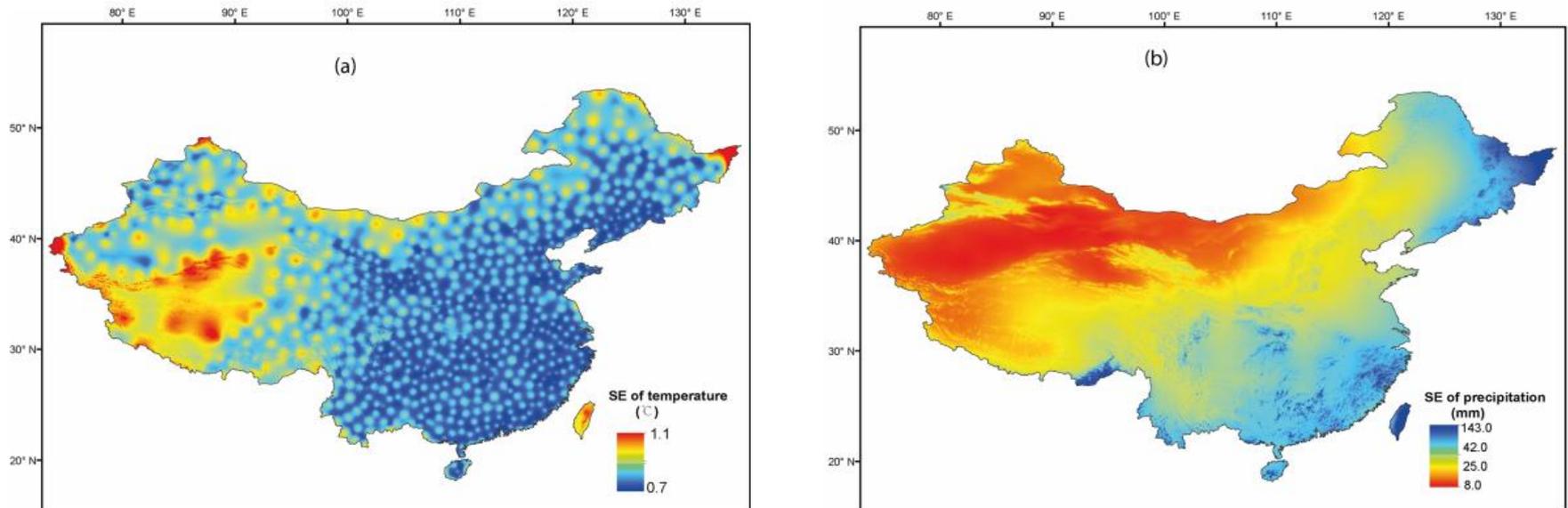
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doi: [10.11888/Soil.tpdc.270110](https://doi.org/10.11888/Soil.tpdc.270110)



# A monthly air temperature and precipitation gridded dataset on $0.025^\circ$ spatial resolution in China during (1951-2011)

doi: <https://doi.org/10.1594/PANGAEA.895742>



Monthly temperature at 1153 stations and precipitation at 1202 stations in China and neighboring countries are used to construct a monthly climate dataset in China with a  $0.025^\circ$  resolution ( $\sim 2.5$  km).

Zhao et al., 2019, Theor. Appl. Climatol.

# 3.2 Cryospheric datasets over TP

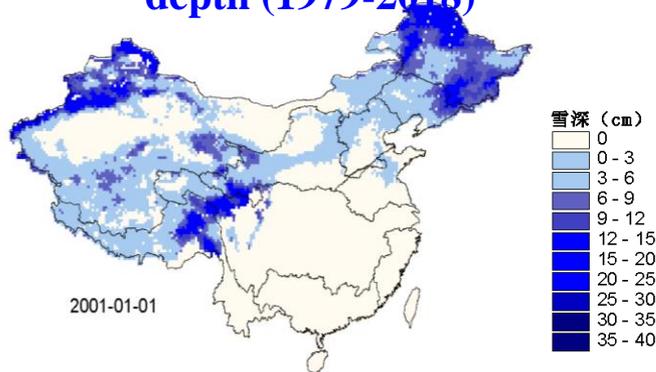
## The Second Glacier Inventory



doi:10.3972/glacier.001.2013.db

Guo et al., 2015, Journal of Glaciology.

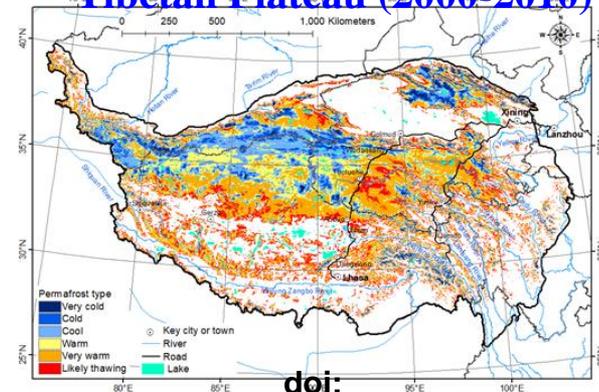
## Long-term sequence dataset of snow depth (1979-2018)



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Che et al., 2008, Annals of Glaciology; Dai et al., 2012, RSE; Dai et al., 2015, RS.

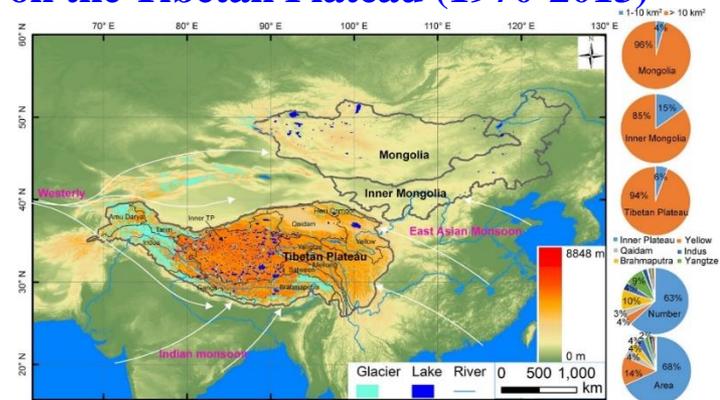
## A permafrost thermal type map on the Tibetan Plateau (2000-2010)



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Ran et al., 2018, The Cryosphere.

## Long-term sequence dataset of lake area on the Tibetan Plateau (1970-2013)

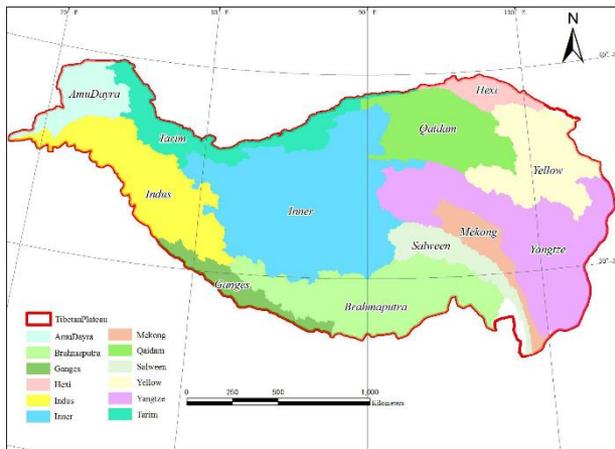


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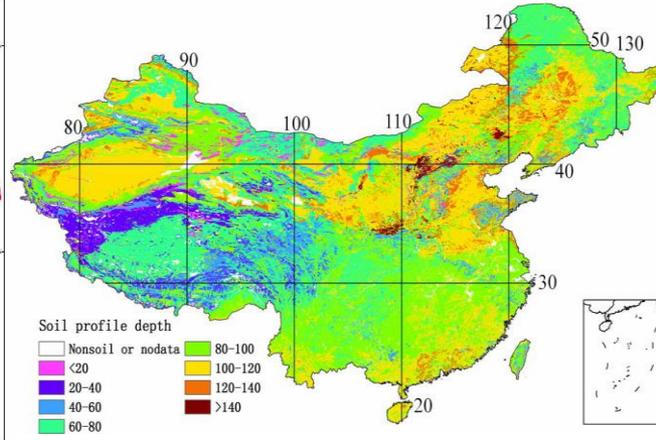
Zhang et al., 2016, GRL.

# 3.3 General geographic datasets over TP

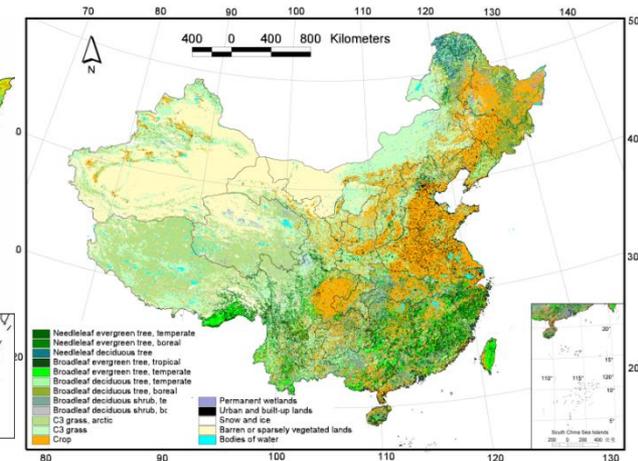
**River basins map over the TP (2016)**



**Soil properties for land surface modeling over China (1 km)**



**Plant functional types map in China (1 km)**



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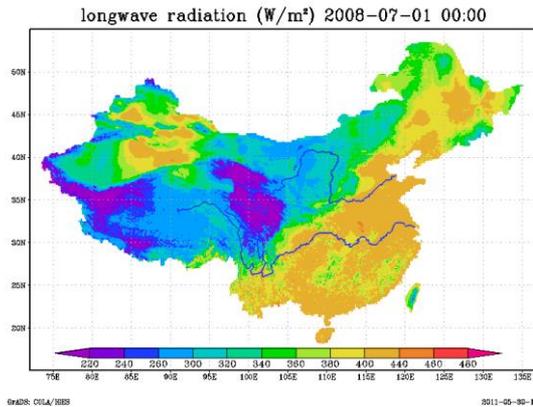
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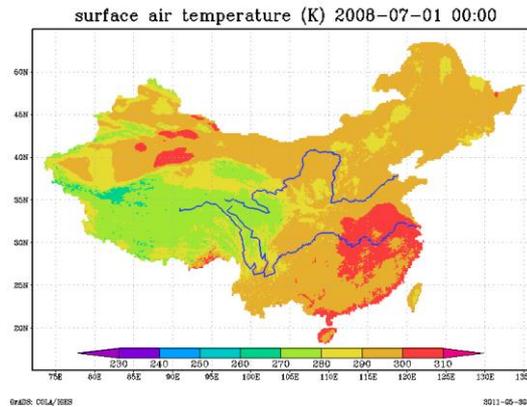
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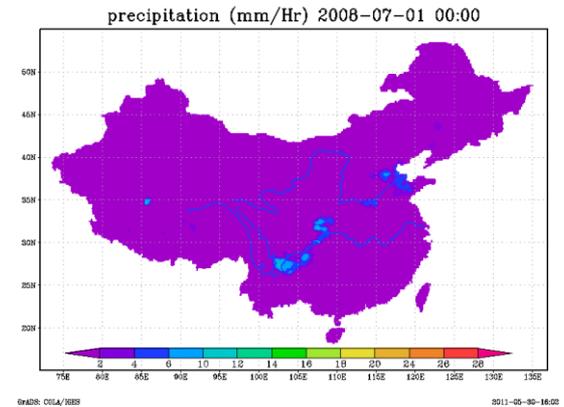
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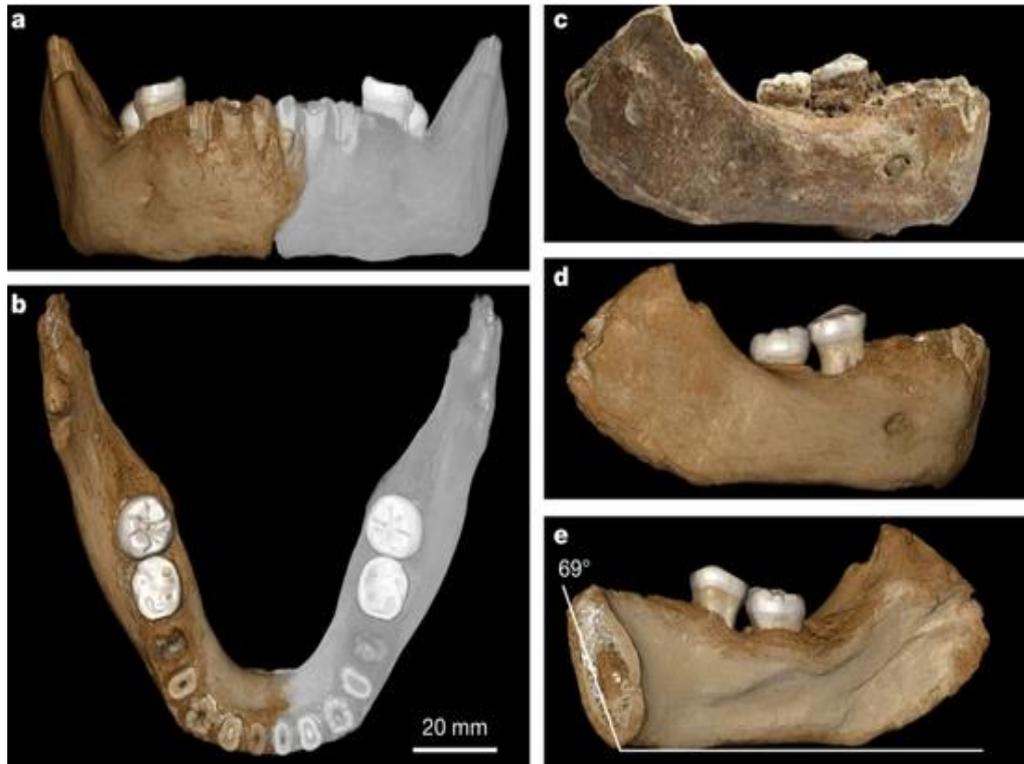
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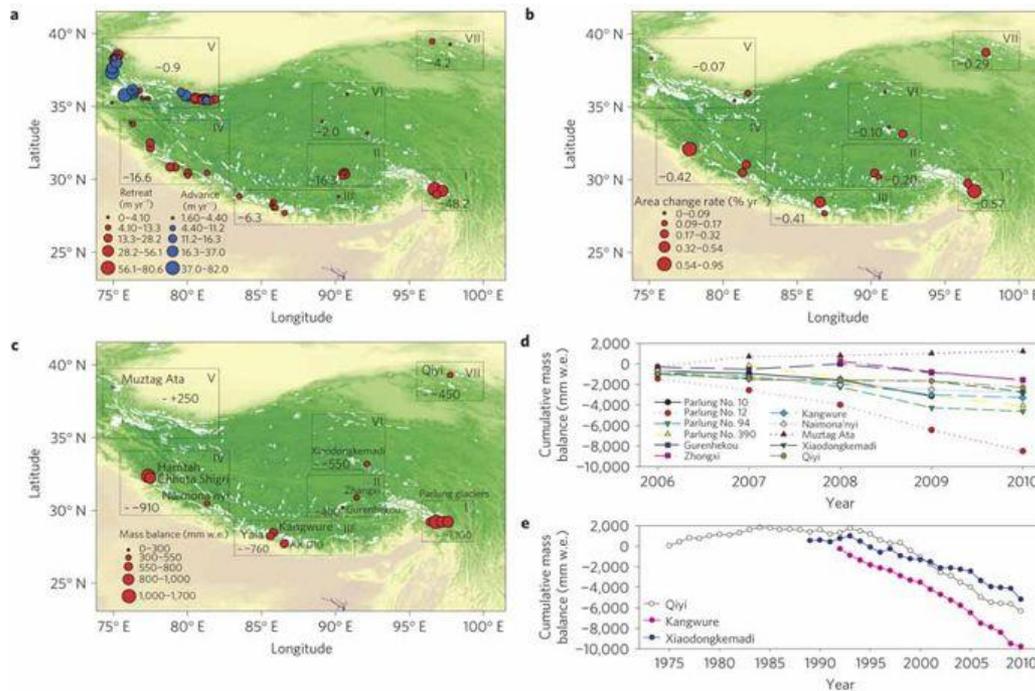
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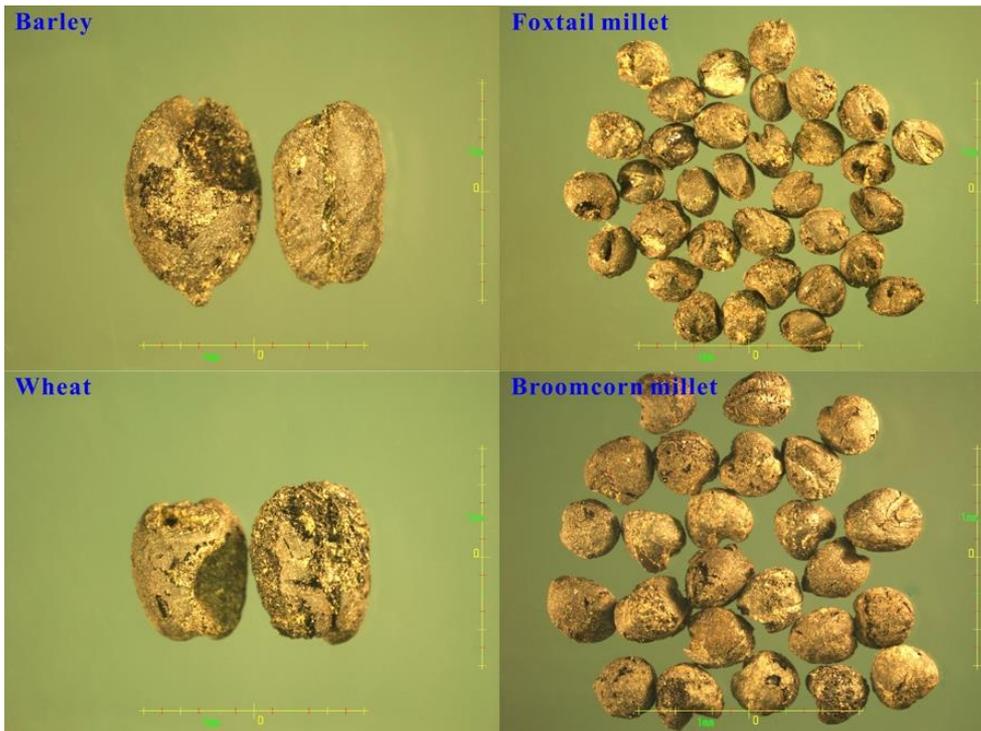
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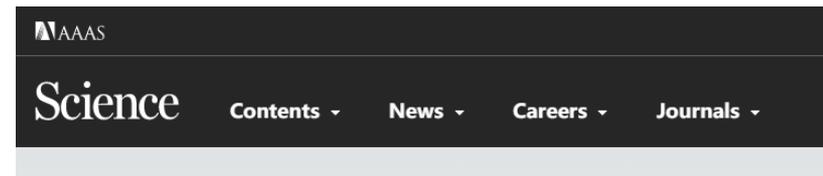
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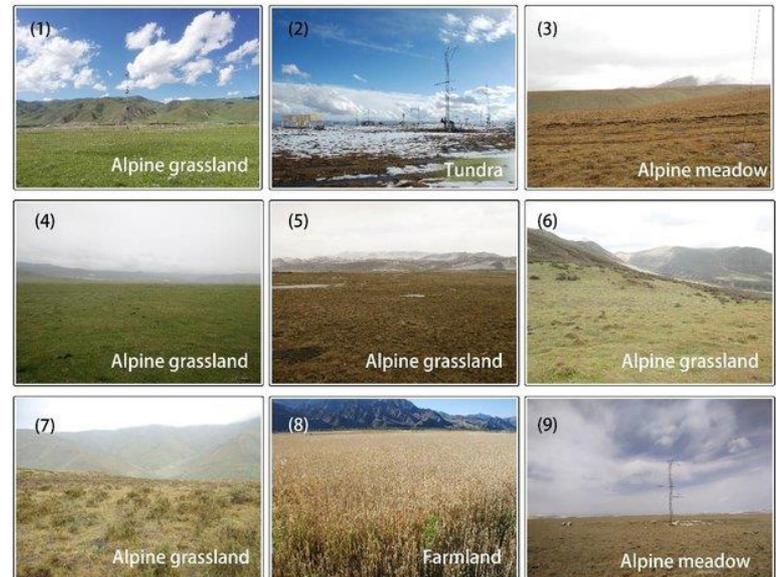
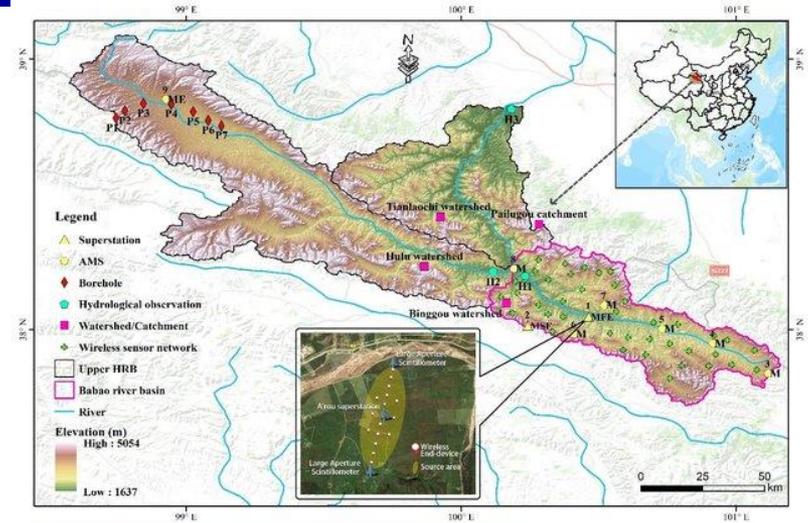
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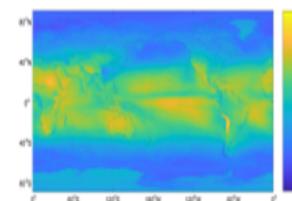
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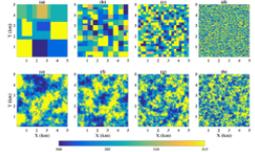
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### The surface heterogeneity patterns and the flux Imbalance under free convection based on the WRF LES

The Tibetan plateau (TP), called as “the third pole of the earth” is the water tower of Asia not only feed tens of millions of people, but also maintain fragile ecosystems in arid region of northwestern China. Temporal-spatially complete representations of land surface temperature are required for many purposes in environmental science, especially in third pole where the traditional ground measurement is difficult and therefore the data is sparse.

The cloud-free datasets of daily mean land surface temperature (LST) and mean annual land surface temperature (MAST) during 2004 to 2016 were released and derived from the quartic daily MODIS (the Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer) Terra/Aqua LST products with a resolution of 1 km using a pragmatic data processing algorithm (Ran et al., 2015; 2017a).

The comparison between radiance-based LST measurement and the estimated LST shows good agreement in the daily and inter-annual variability, with a correlation of 0.95 and 0.99 and bias of  $-1.73^\circ\text{C}$  ( $\pm 3.38^\circ\text{C}$ ) and  $-2.07^\circ\text{C}$  ( $\pm 1.05^\circ\text{C}$ ) for daily-mean-LST and MAST, respectively (Ran et al., 2017c). The systematic error is mainly source from the defined of daily mean LST, which is represented by the arithmetic average of the daytime and nighttime LSTs. The random error is mainly source from the uncertainty of the original MODIS LST values, especially for the daytime LST products. Trend validation using air temperatures from 94 weather stations indicate that the warming trends derived from time series MAST data is comparable with that derived from CMA data. The dataset is potential useful for various studies, including climatology, hydrology, meteorology, ecology, agriculture, public health, and environmental monitoring in the third pole and around regions.



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#### Data file naming and use method

Two types of simulations are designed (i.e., B case and H case). For each type, four simulations are performed with different heterogeneity length scales (e.g., 2000 m, 1200 m, 550 m and 240 m). Hence, the first char of the filename in our dataset refers to the simulation type and the following numbers represent the heterogeneity length scales.

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## The first high-resolution meteorological forcing dataset for land process studies over China

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The China Meteorological Forcing Dataset (CMFD) is the first high spatial-temporal resolution gridded near-surface meteorological dataset developed specifically for studies of land surface processes in China. The dataset was made through fusion of remote sensing products, reanalysis datasets and *in-situ* station data. Its record begins in January 1979 and is ongoing (currently up to December 2018) with a temporal resolution of three hours and a spatial resolution of 0.1°. Seven near-surface meteorological elements are provided in the CMFD, including 2-meter air temperature, surface pressure, and specific humidity, 10-meter wind speed, downward shortwave radiation, downward longwave radiation and precipitation rate. Validations against observations measured at independent stations show that the CMFD is of superior quality than the GLDAS (Global Land Data Assimilation System); this is because a larger number of stations are used to generate the CMFD than are utilised in the GLDAS. Due to its continuous temporal coverage and consistent quality, the CMFD is one of the most widely-used climate datasets for China.

### Background & Summary

Land, hydrological and ecosystem models all require the input of gridded near-surface meteorological datasets, called "forcing data". Accurate and high-resolution forcing data can help improve the outcome of these models, hence, high-quality forcing data are always desired by these scientific communities. To meet this demand, efforts were made during the 2000s to develop global-scale datasets specially for land surface and hydrology research, e.g. Princeton University's Global Land Surface Model Data<sup>1,2</sup> and the Global Land Data Assimilation System (GLDAS)<sup>3</sup>. Meanwhile, remote sensing datasets obtained from some earth-observing satellites, like the Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission (TRMM) precipitation rate dataset<sup>4</sup>, and remote sensing-derived data products such as Climate Prediction Center (CPC) Merged Analysis of Precipitation (CMAP)<sup>5</sup> and Global Precipitation Data



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