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Dear editor,

Thank you for taking the time to review our manuscript. We are sorry that the figures still were not appropriate for Biogeosciences.

We agree that Figure 7 contained too much information, and we have now converted it into a table (Table 3). In this table, we provide both r^2 and p values.

We have also aligned the x-axes of all the panels in Figure 4. We did the same changes for other figures, too. We want to make sure these types of corrections were suitable for Biogeosciences.

We have also read the text and made minor changes with grammar and type errors.

Thank you again for all your help with editing the paper.

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Best regards,

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