

# Opposite phase changes of precipitation annual cycle over land and ocean under global warming

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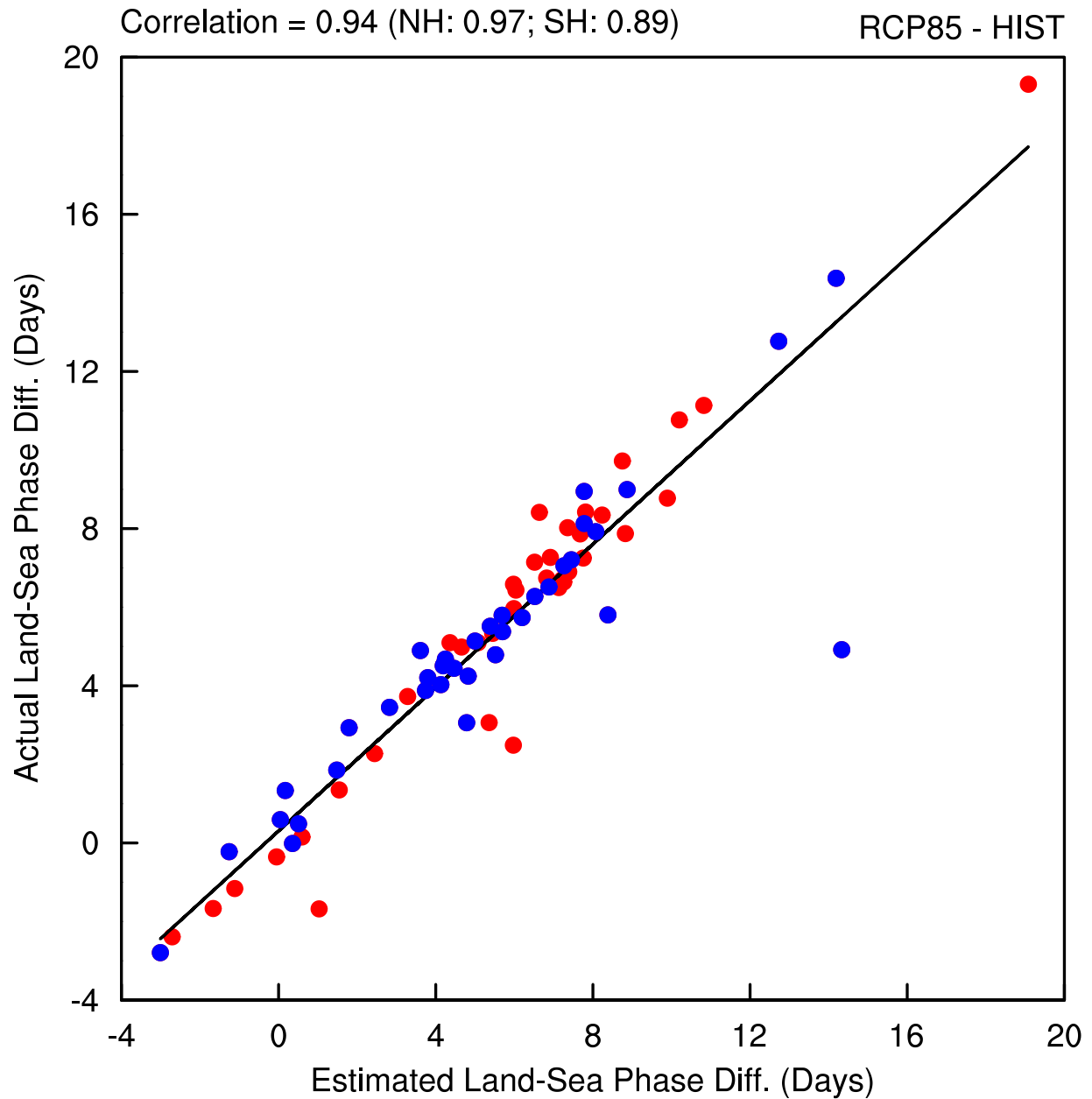
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20 **Supplementary Table 1** Data from the HIST and RCP85 simulations in 37 CMIP5 models used  
 21 in this study.

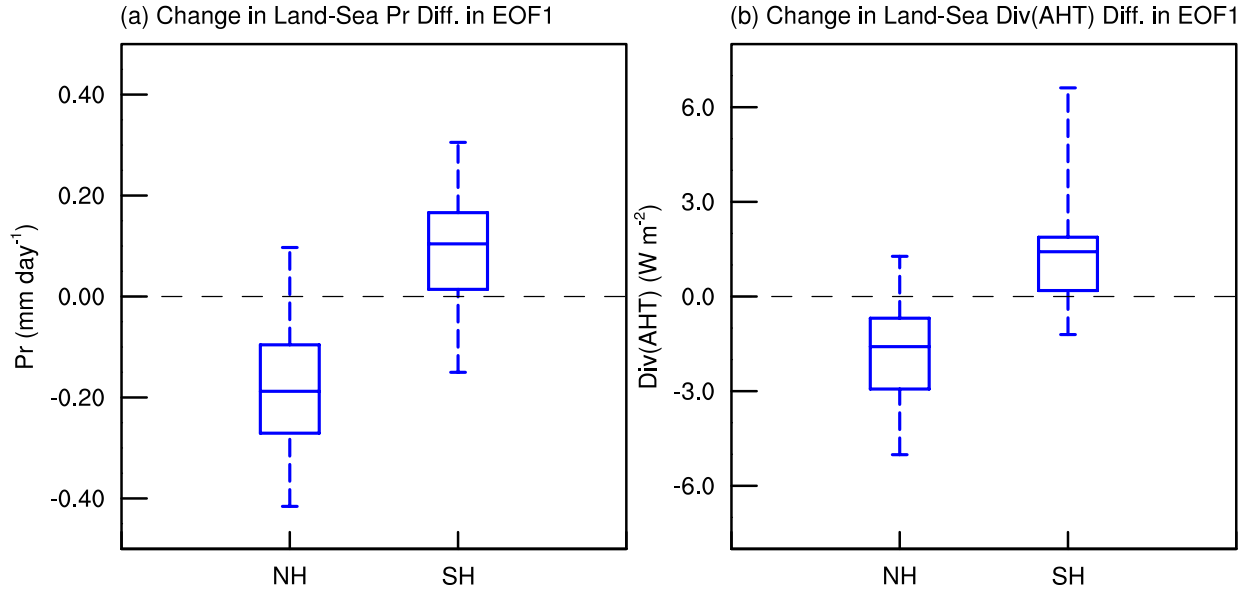
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1	ACCESS1-0	×	×
2	ACCESS1-3	×	×
3	bcc-csm1-1	×	×
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5	BNU-ESM	×	×
6	CanESM2	×	×
7	CCSM4	×	×
8	CESM1-BGC	×	×
9	CESM1-CAM5	×	×
10	CESM1-WACCM	×	×
11	CMCC-CESM	×	×
12	CMCC-CM	×	×
13	CMCC-CMS	×	×
14	CNRM-CM5	×	×
15	CSIRO-Mk3-6-0	×	×
16	FGOALS-g2	×	×
17	FIO-ESM		×
18	GFDL-CM3	×	×
19	GFDL-ESM2G	×	×
20	GFDL-ESM2M	×	×
21	GISS-E2-H	×	×
22	GISS-E2-R	×	×
23	HadGEM2-AO		×
24	HadGEM2-CC	×	×
25	HadGEM2-ES	×	×
26	inmcm4	×	×
27	IPSL-CM5A-LR	×	×
28	IPSL-CM5A-MR	×	×
29	IPSL-CM5B-LR	×	×

30	MIROC5	×	×
31	MIROC-ESM-CHEM	×	×
32	MIROC-ESM	×	×
33	MPI-ESM-LR	×	×
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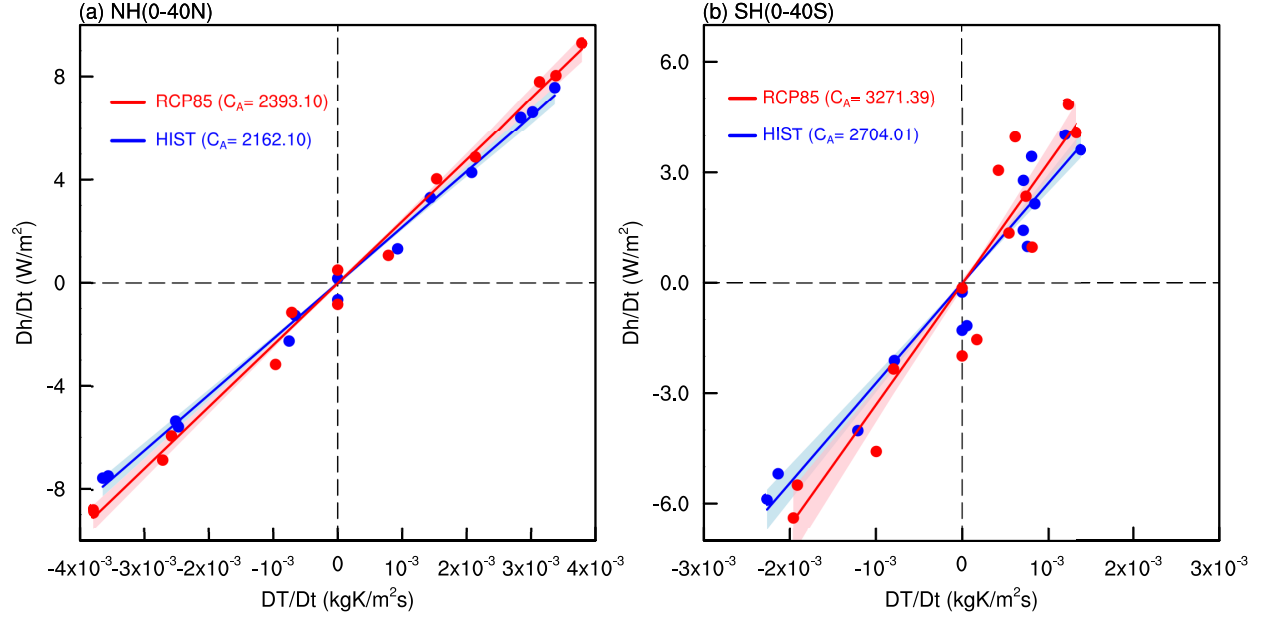


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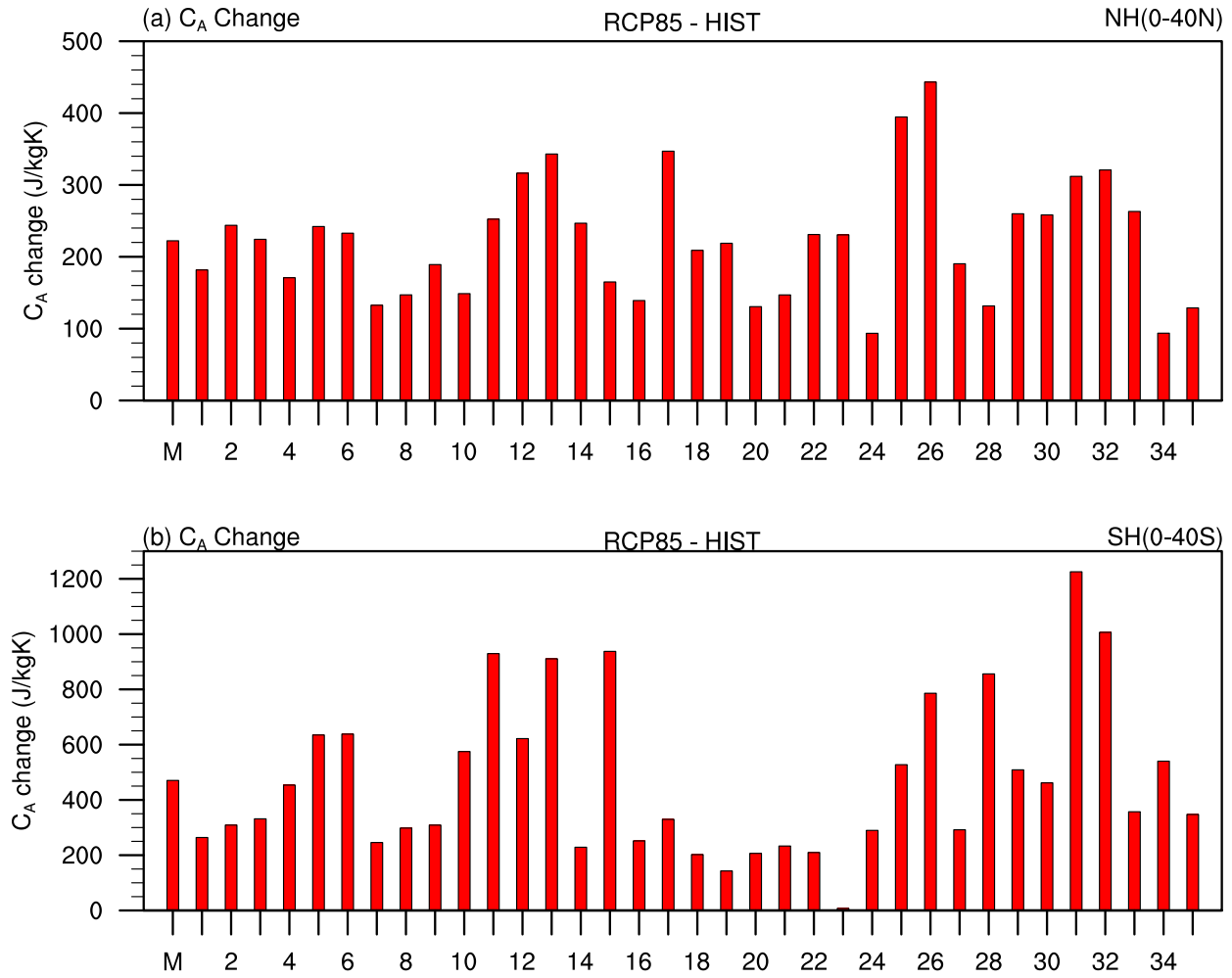
24 **Supplementary Fig. 1** Scatterplot between the change of the actual land-sea phase difference and  
 25 the corresponding estimate (i.e.,  $\phi_L - \phi_O$ ) among the CMIP5 models in NH (red dots) and SH  
 26 (blue dots). Each dot represents one model. Positive value indicates that land and ocean  
 27 precipitation become more in phase with each other. The correlation is 0.97 in NH and 0.89 in SH,  
 28 respectively.



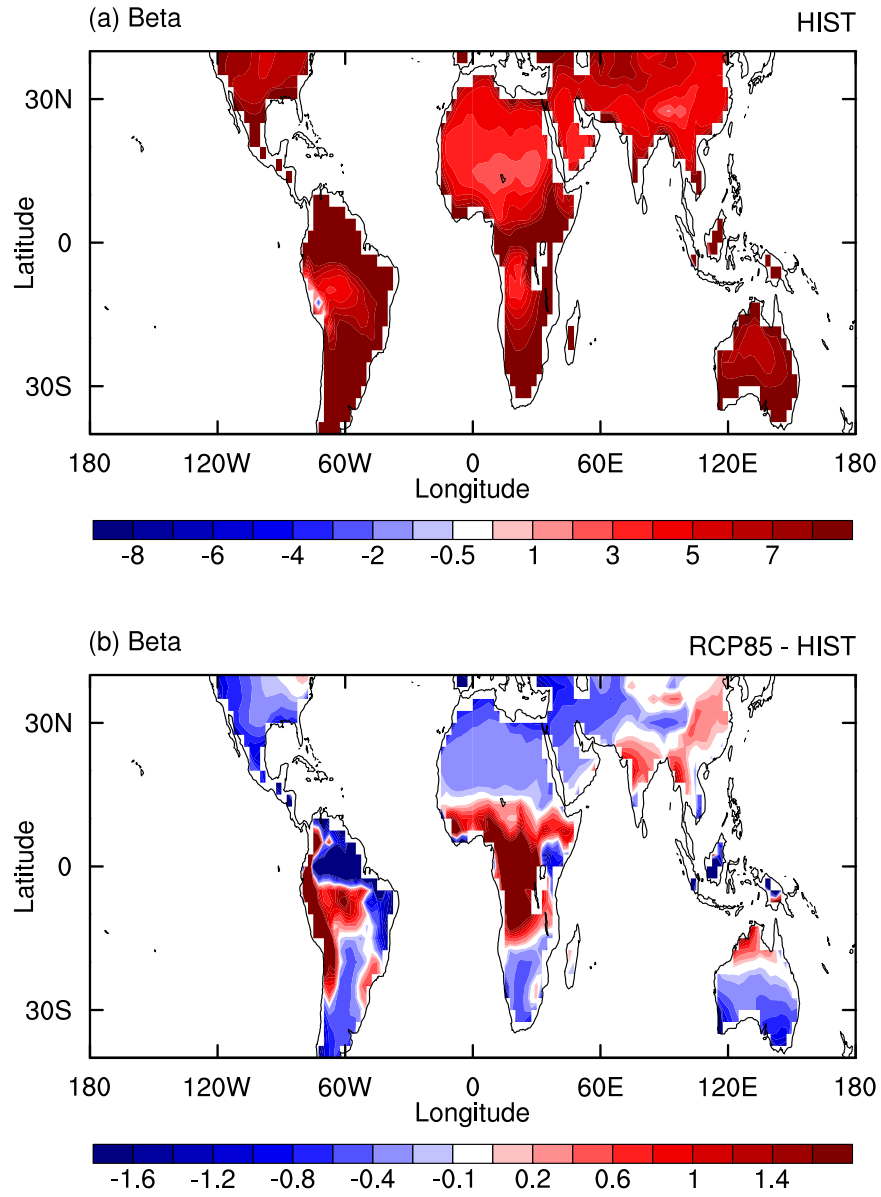
**Supplementary Fig. 2** Box-plots for the change (RCP85 – HIST) in land-sea difference of (a) precipitation (unit: mm day<sup>-1</sup>) and (b) divergence of atmospheric heat transport ( $\nabla \cdot (AHT)$ ; unit: W m<sup>-2</sup>) regressed on the precipitation EOF1 among CMIP5 models.



**Supplementary Fig. 3** Scatterplot and regression between the monthly tendencies of  $\langle h \rangle$  and  $\langle T \rangle$ . These tendencies are computed based on the multi-model ensemble mean climatological monthly values averaged over (a) NH (0°-40°N) and (b) SH (0°-40°S), respectively. The regression slope ( $C_A$ ) provides an estimate of the effective atmospheric heat capacity in the hemisphere examined. The blue and red dots and lines are for the HIST and RCP85 simulations, respectively. The shading indicates one standard deviation of the regression slope among the CMIP5 models.



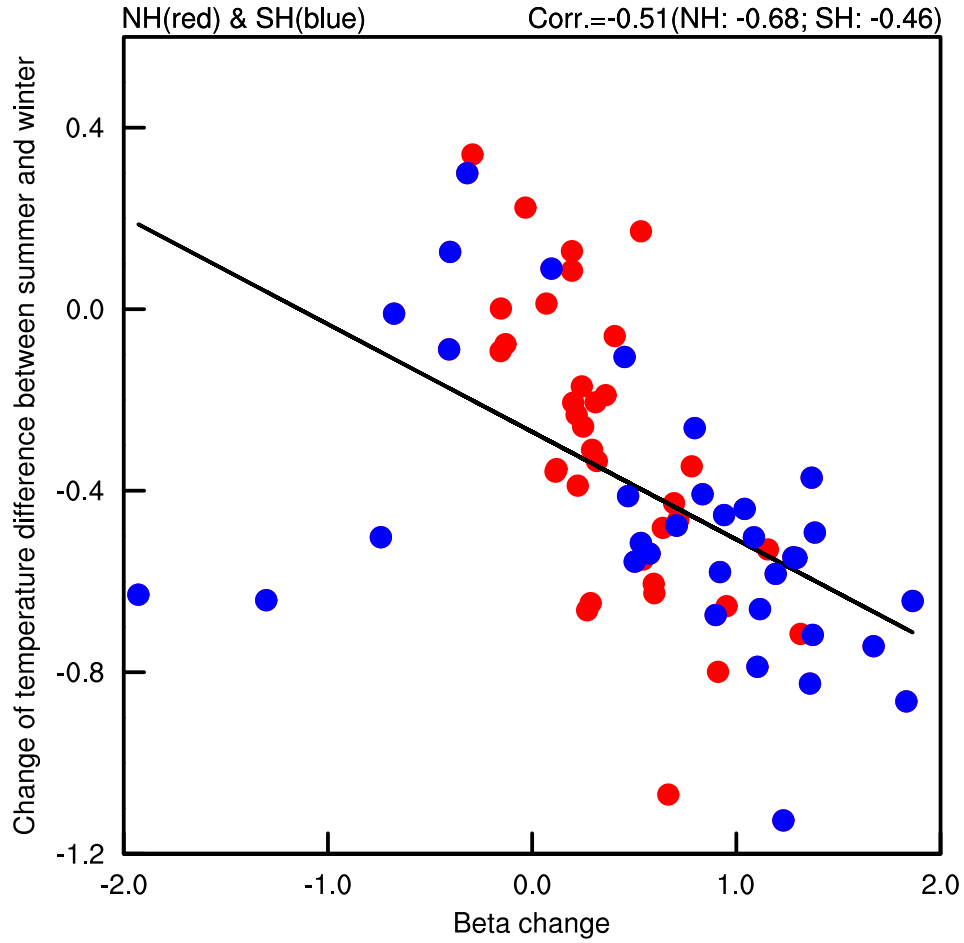
41 **Supplementary Fig. 4** The effective atmospheric heat capacity  $C_A$  changes between the RCP85  
 42 and HIST experiments in the CMIP5 models in (a) NH (0°-40°N) and (b) SH (0°-40°S). M  
 43 indicates the multi-model ensemble mean and each number denotes one of the 35 CMIP5 models.



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45 **Supplementary Fig. 5** The surface cooling feedback parameter  $\beta$  in (a) the HIST run and (b) its  
 46 change between the RCP85 and HIST runs.





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48 **Supplementary Fig. 6** Scatterplot between the change of surface cooling feedback  $\beta$  and the  
 49 temperature difference between summer (July-August-September (JAS) for NH and January-  
 50 February-March (JFM) for SH) and winter (JFM for NH and JAS for SH) over the land monsoonal  
 51 regions, which are defined as regions with the magnitude of precipitation anomalies in EOF1  
 52 greater than  $0.5 \text{ mm day}^{-1}$ . Each dot represents one CMIP5 model with red (blue) for NH (SH).  
 53 The correlations are listed at the upper-right corner of the figure, all being statistically significant  
 54 at 1% level based on Student's t-test. Note that the correlation for SH can be augmented to -0.81  
 55 when three outlier models (GFDL-ESM2G, GFDL-ESM2M and GISS-E2-H) are excluded.