

# QA/QC Meeting

## 9 Jan 2025

**Participants:** LH, FTS, MR, PR, LS, YW, LK, KMK, FZ, LOS, FT, IF (12)



- **Dec 2024:** general preparations: backup/update database and Grafana (LH)
- **2025:**
  - First we need to get rid of the automatic bico/fluxrun data:
    - **Delete** all bico converted ASCII files
    - **Delete** all Level-0 fluxes
  - Then convert/calculate for complete year
    - **Convert** all EC binary files using bico, all data
    - **Calculate** Level-0 fluxes across all data
    - Meteoscreening
    - **Calculate** Level-1 fluxes across all data
  - Put **management** data in management file (XLSX)
  - **Share** fluxes with FLUXNET (also N<sub>2</sub>O, CH<sub>4</sub>)
  - **Share** meteo data with FLUXNET
  - **Share** metadata with FLUXNET (BADM files)

The scripts [bico](#) and [fluxrun](#) are running automatically on the **GROUP-RDS**.

- bico converts sonicread binary files to ASCII
- fluxrun calculates fluxes
- execution times are defined in the Windows Task Scheduler
- **all times are CEST (UTC+2)**

| Name                                       | Status | Triggers           | Next Run Time       |
|--------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------|
| [bico] CH-AWS Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 06:00 every day | 28.05.2024 06:00:00 |
| [bico] CH-CHA Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 06:10 every day | 28.05.2024 06:10:00 |
| [bico] CH-DAS Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 06:20 every day | 28.05.2024 06:20:00 |
| [bico] CH-DAV Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 06:30 every day | 28.05.2024 06:30:00 |
| [bico] CH-FOR Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 06:40 every day | 28.05.2024 06:40:00 |
| [bico] CH-FRU Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 06:50 every day | 28.05.2024 06:50:00 |
| [bico] CH-HON Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 07:00 every day | 28.05.2024 07:00:00 |
| [bico] CH-LAE Convert EC raw data binaries |        | At 07:10 every day | 28.05.2024 07:10:00 |
| [bico] CH-LAS Convert EC raw data binaries | Ready  | At 07:20 every day | 28.05.2024 07:20:00 |
| [bico] CH-OE2 Convert EC raw data binaries | Ready  | At 07:30 every day | 28.05.2024 07:30:00 |
| [bico] CH-TAN Convert EC raw data binaries | Ready  | At 07:40 every day | 28.05.2024 07:40:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-AWS Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 08:00 every day | 28.05.2024 08:00:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-CHA Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 08:10 every day | 28.05.2024 08:10:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-DAS Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 08:20 every day | 28.05.2024 08:20:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-DAV Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 08:30 every day | 28.05.2024 08:30:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-FOR Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 08:40 every day | 28.05.2024 08:40:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-FRU Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 08:50 every day | 28.05.2024 08:50:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-HON Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 09:00 every day | 28.05.2024 09:00:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-LAE Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 09:10 every day | 28.05.2024 09:10:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-LAS Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 09:20 every day | 28.05.2024 09:20:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-OE2 Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 09:30 every day | 28.05.2024 09:30:00 |
| [fluxrun] CH-TAN Calculate fluxes          | Ready  | At 09:40 every day | 28.05.2024 09:40:00 |
| [ppicos] CH-DAV Convert to ICOS formats    | Ready  | At 03:35 every day | 28.05.2024 03:35:00 |

The script [dataflow](#) is running automatically on **GL-CALCS**.

- dataflow uploads data to the database
- Meteo data upload starts between 7:00 (AWS) and 7:46 (TAN)
- Flux data upload starts between 11:00 (first site, AWS) and 11:20 (last site, TAN)
- execution times are defined in the *crontab* file
- after upload, data are immediately available in Grafana
- **all times are CET (UTC+1): this means that during summer data uploads start one hour later**

Example AWS during **summer**/**winter** local time:

- bico starts **6:00** / **6:00**
- dataflow 10\_meteo upload starts **8:00** / **7:00**
- dataflow 11\_meteo\_valley upload starts **8:02** / **7:02**
- dataflow 12\_meteo\_rainfall upload starts **8:04** / **7:04**
- dataflow 13\_meteo\_pressure upload starts **8:06** / **7:06**
- dataflow 15\_meteo\_snowheight upload starts **8:08** / **7:08**
- fluxrun starts **8:00** / **8:00**
- dataflow flux upload starts **12:00** / **11:00**

# General Info

- **Attendance:** If you are (Tech-)SRP, please attend QA/QC meetings or tell LH if you can't, needed for planning of the meetings.
- **Short statement:** SRP & Tech-SRP: please prepare short statement about your site and post it on the slide together with the plot(s). You can also extend the already available text snippet(s) from previous meetings. (max. 2 sentences)
- **Purpose:** The purpose of QA/QC meetings is to check on current, incoming data. SRPs choose specific issues we should look at together and discuss in the group. Fluxes are checked if the respective SRP wishes to do so.
- **Variables:** There is a list of known variable abbreviations that you can use in case you wonder what an abbreviation means: Variable Abbreviations
- **Check of EC raw data files:**
  - Recommended check for SRPs and T-SRPS: take a look at EC raw data files and check if they look OK
  - Current EC raw data files are automatically converted to ASCII each day (done by the Python script bico)
  - Files and their plots can be found here, e.g. for CH-LAS:  
`gl-processing\CH-LAS_Lae-Subcanopy\20_ec_fluxes\2022\raw_data_ascii`
- **Weekly flux calculations on the RDS:**
  - Please calculate fluxes and check them once per week, or more often if you wish to do so.
  - If you cannot calculate the fluxes, try to find a substitute, e.g. LH.
  - Please move your Level-0 results from the RDS to the respective Level-0 folder.
- **RDS folder:** The folder P:\Flux\RDS\_calculations is a temporary folder. Please move Level-0 flux calculations (preliminary fluxes) to the Level-0 folder on gl-processing. For example, for CH-CHA move files to Z:\CH-CHA\_Chamau\20\_ec\_fluxes\2022\Level-0 (gl-processing is mounted as drive Z in this example).
- The RDS now has access to the database. This means that we now have a shared working environment where we can run Jupyter notebooks.
- **FluxCoffee:** separate meetings to discuss data related issues, e.g. flux processing and technical issues, started and will continue to take place. There are extensive notes available in the Data/FluxCoffee group on Microsoft Teams.
- **List of QA/QC Meeting dates:** QA/QC Meetings 2024

Webcam | CH-AWS



Webcam | CH-CHA | GF4



Webcam | CH-DAV



Webcam | CH-DAV | FF1



Webcam | CH-DAV | FF2



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Webcam | CH-DAV | FF5



Webcam | CH-FRU



Webcam | CH-LAE



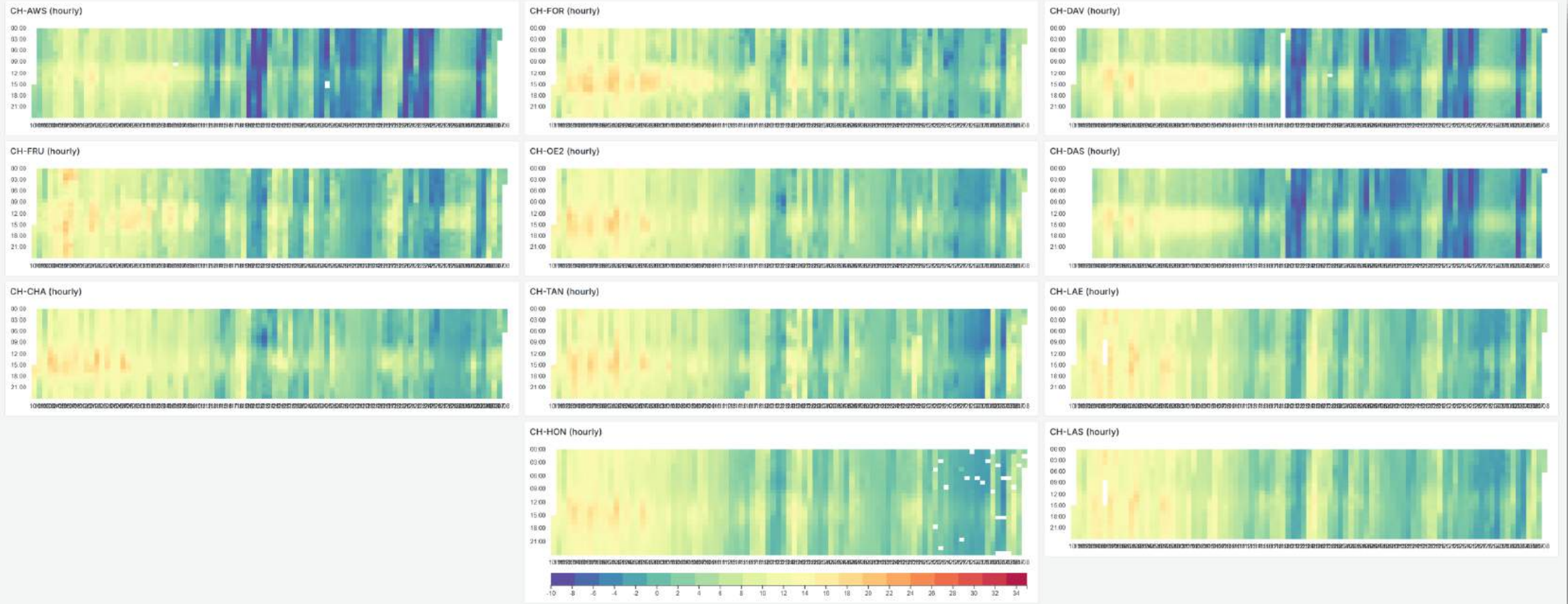
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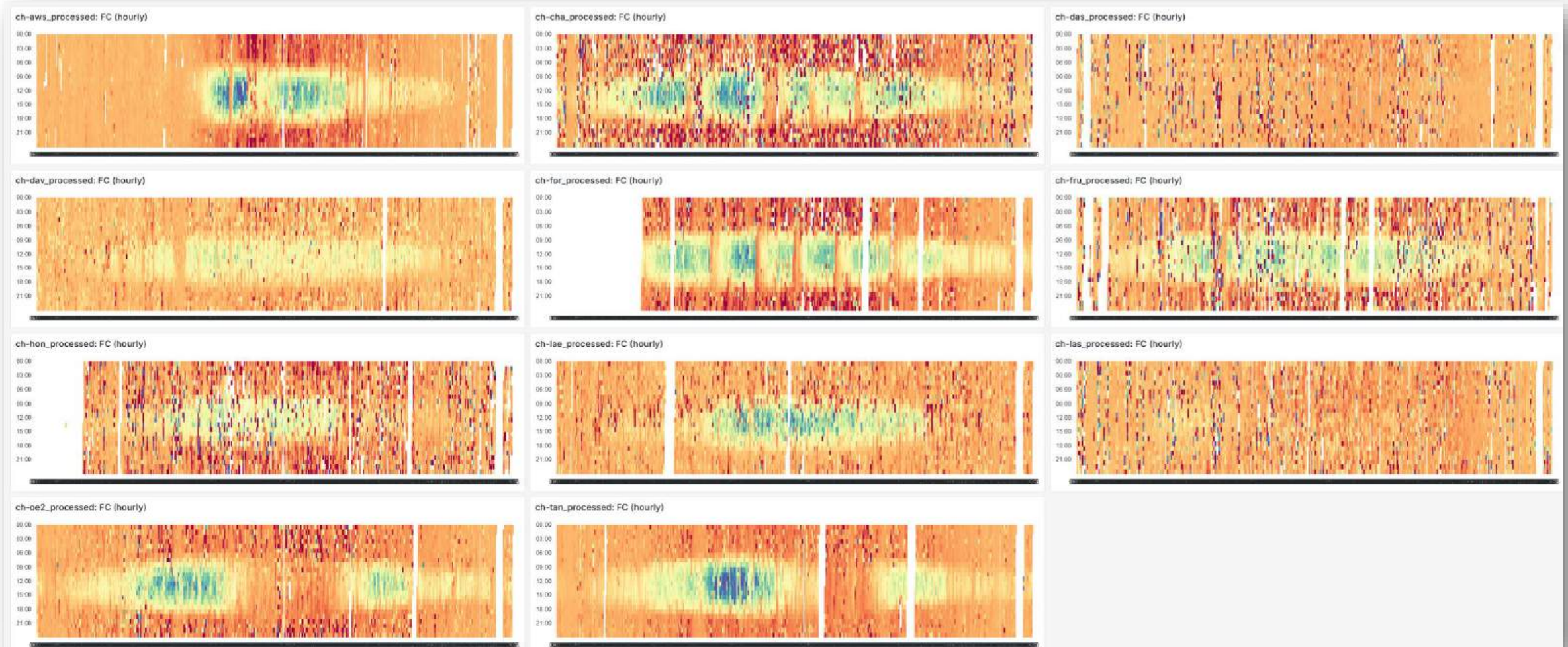


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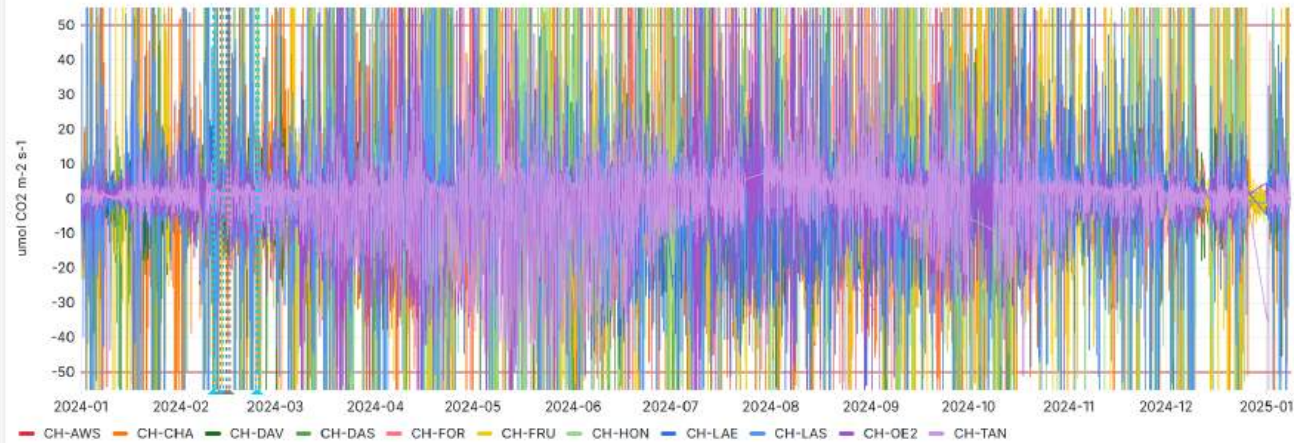




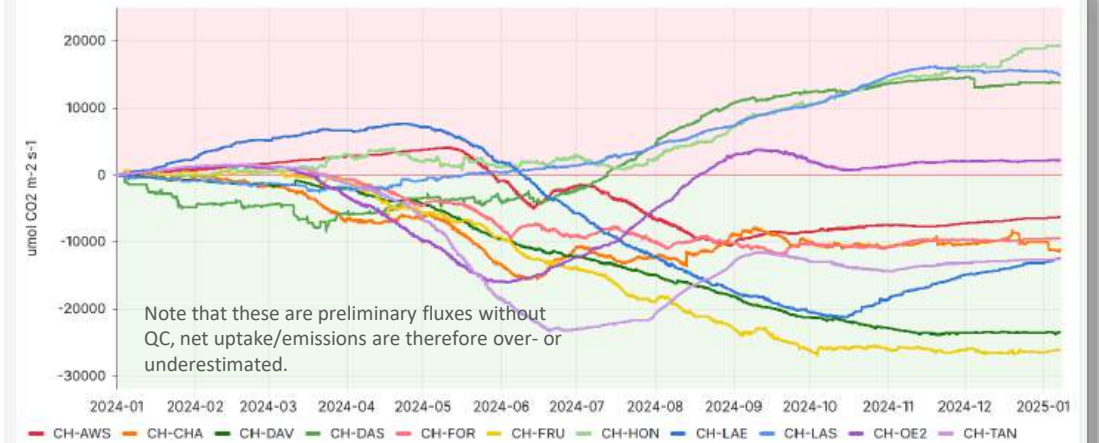


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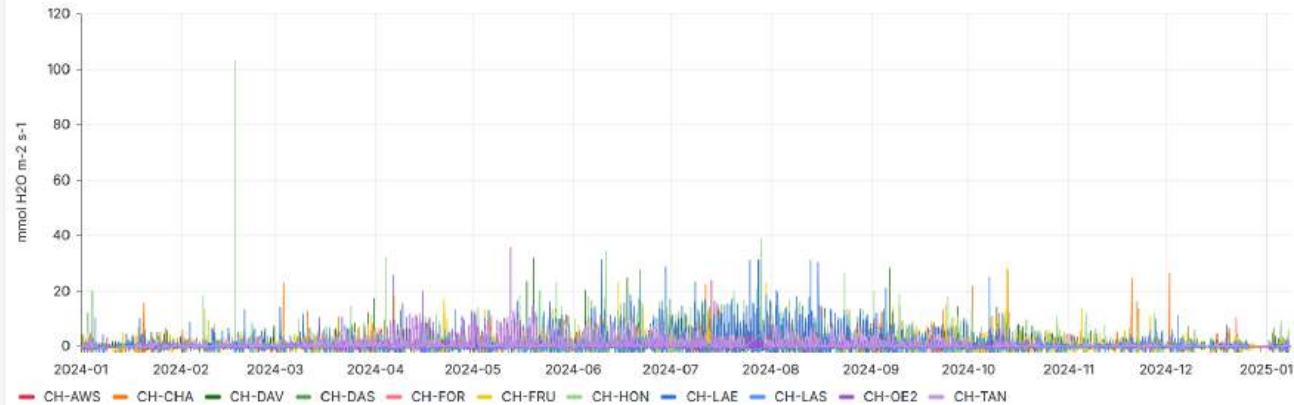
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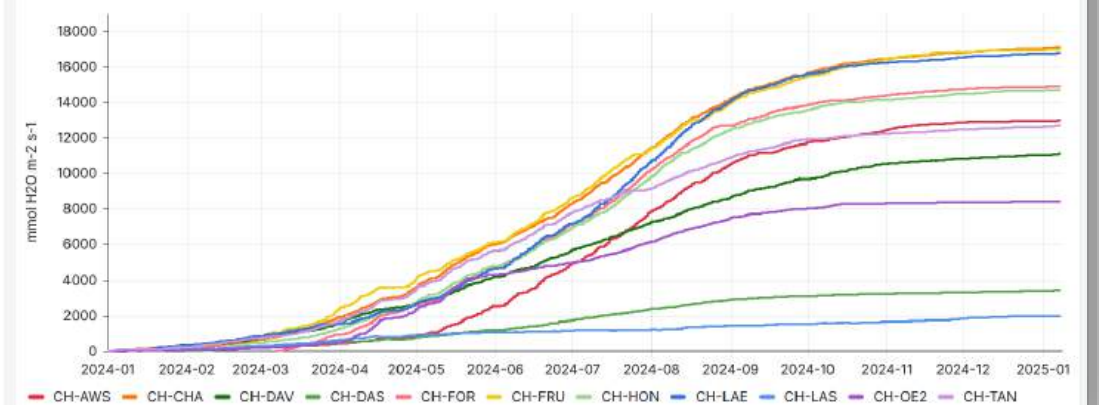
Cumulative CO<sub>2</sub> Fluxes (Level-0)



H<sub>2</sub>O Fluxes (Level-0)

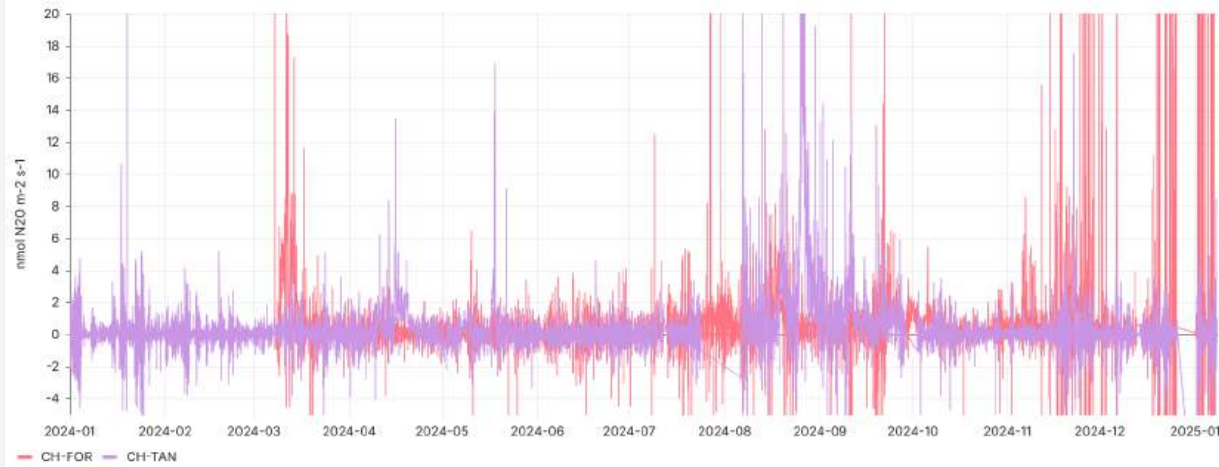


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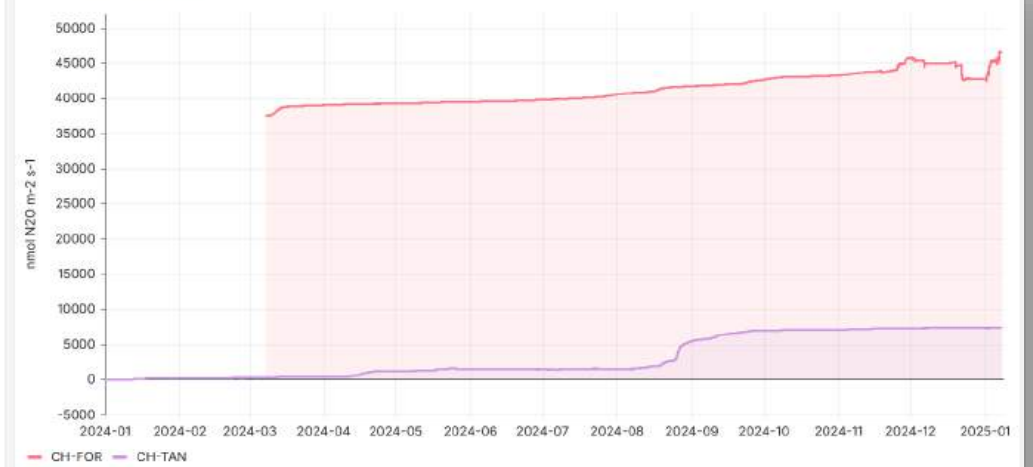


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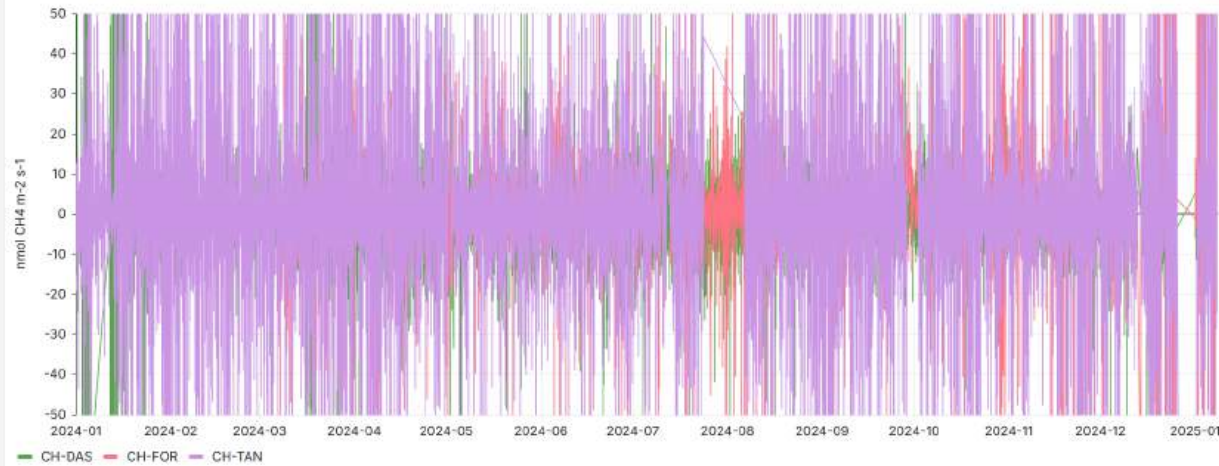
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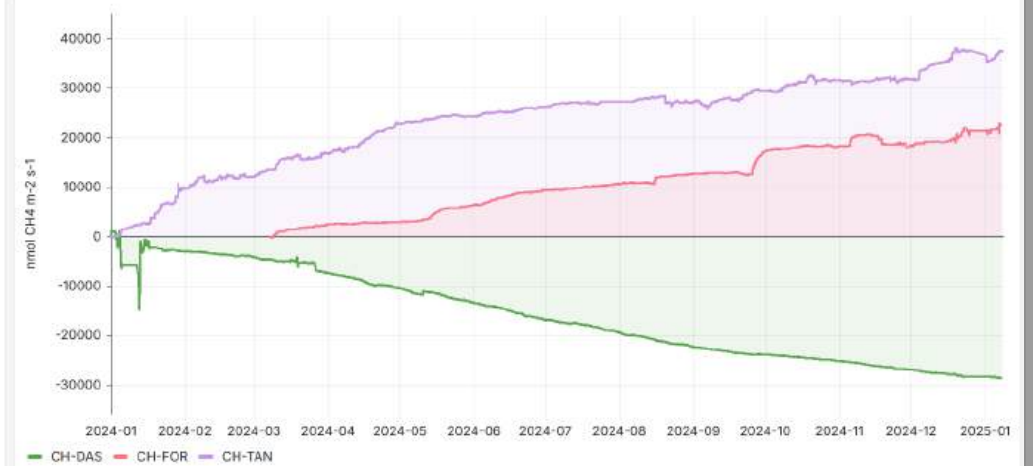
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CH<sub>4</sub> flux (Level-0)

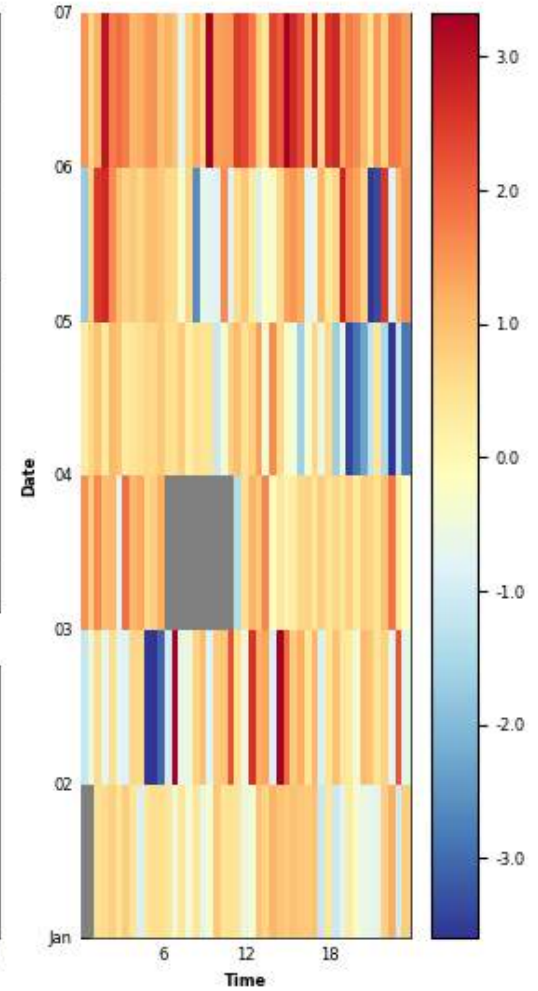
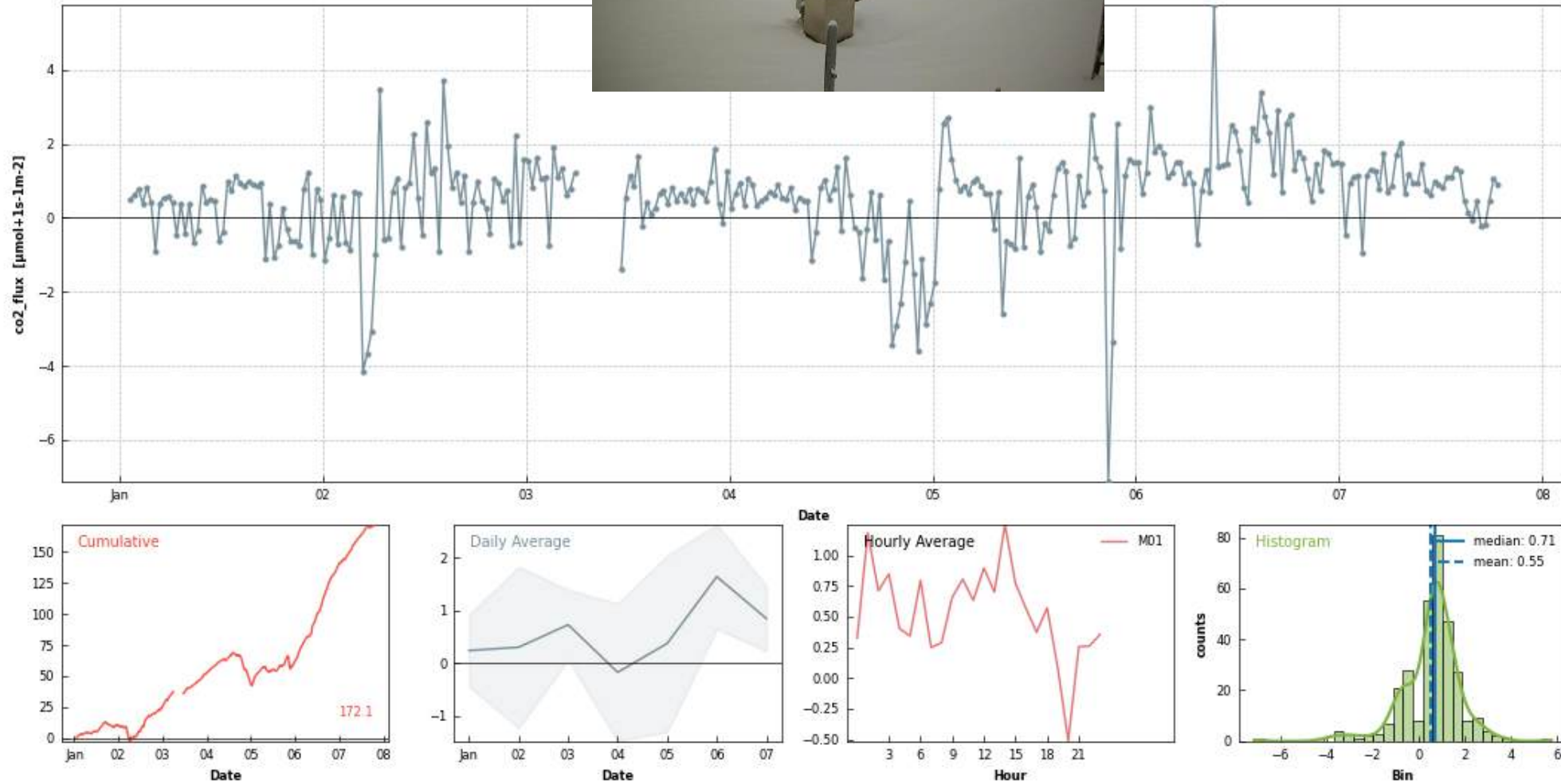


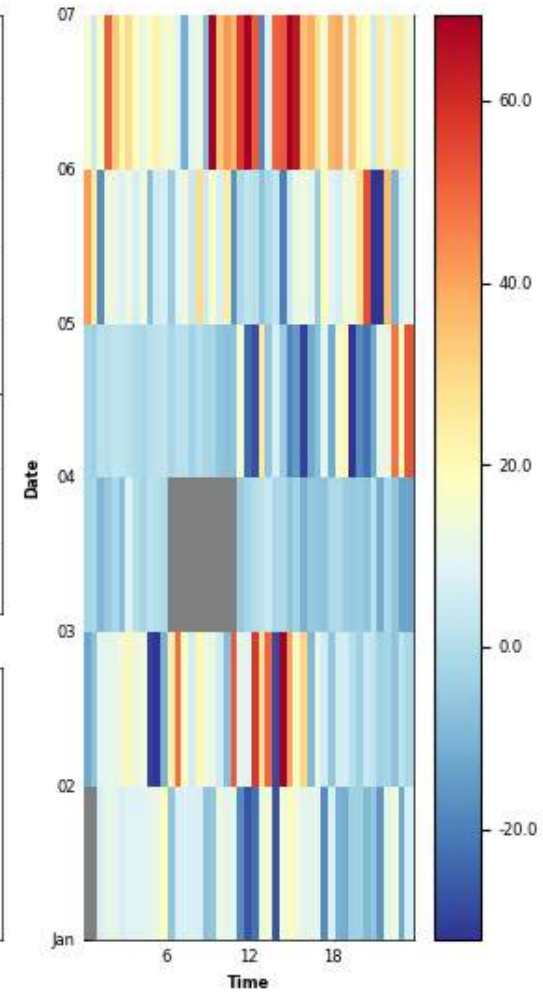
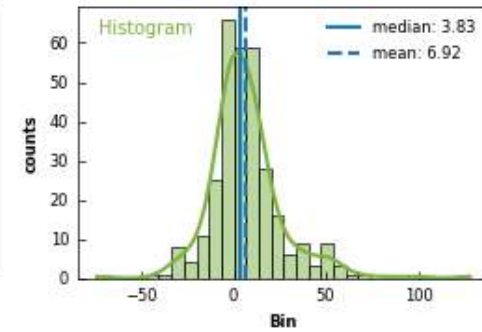
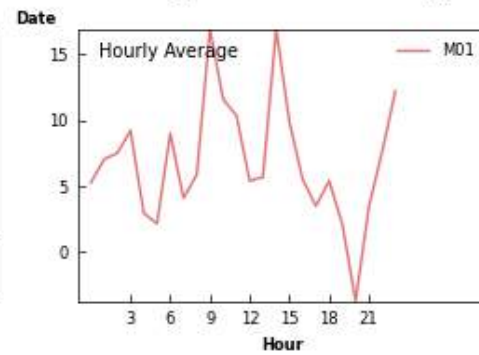
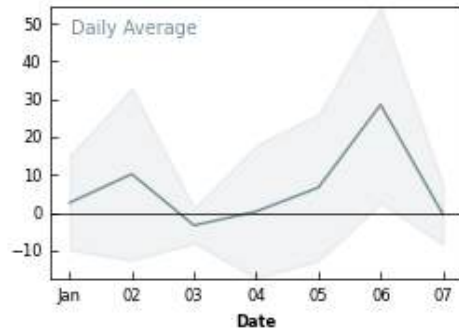
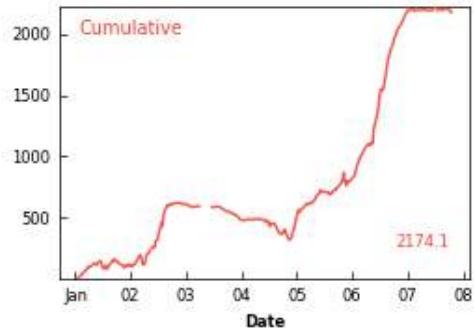
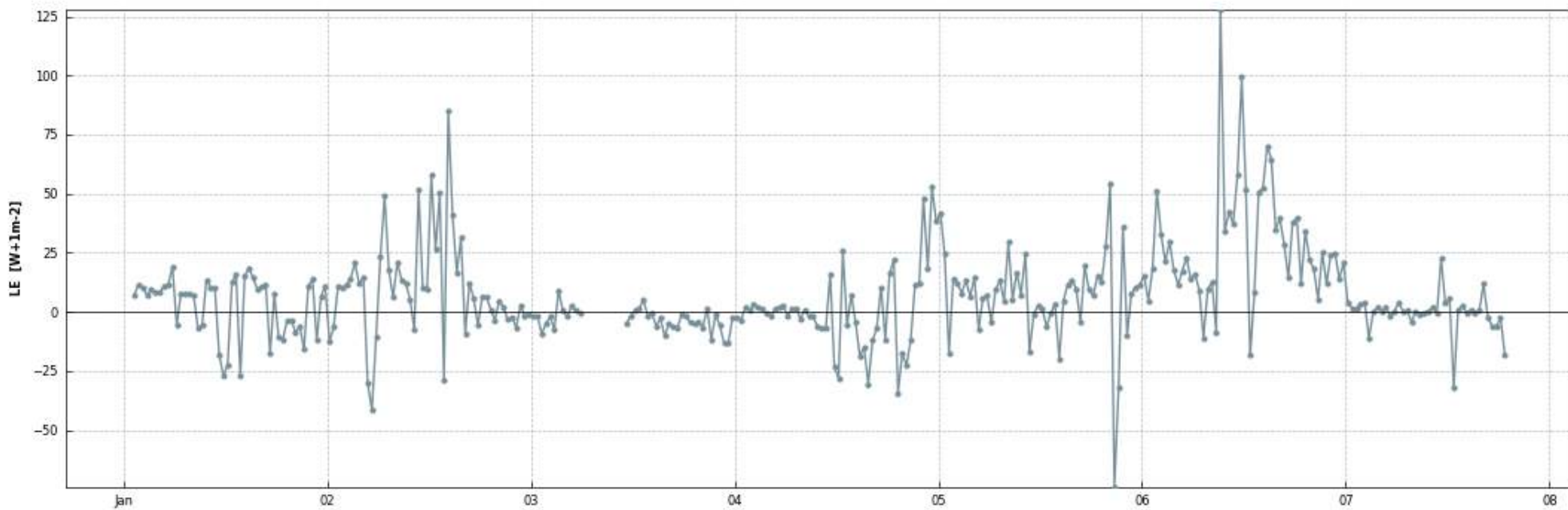
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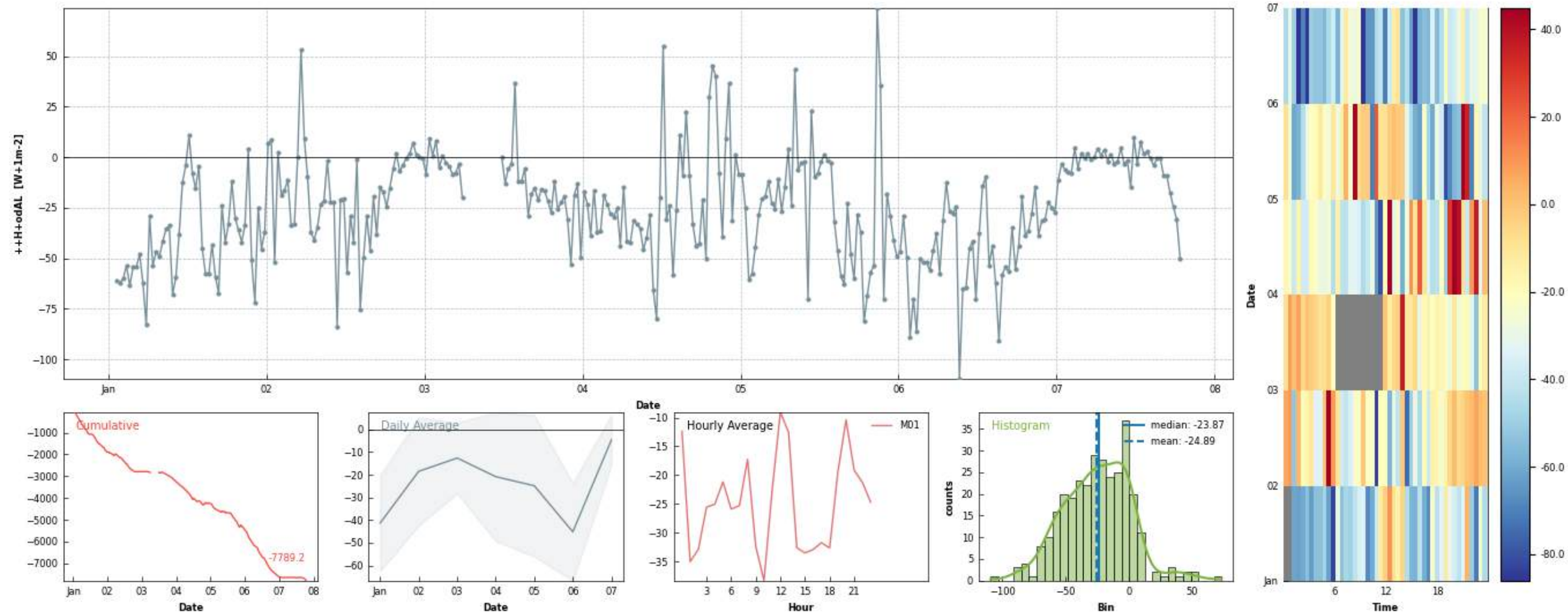


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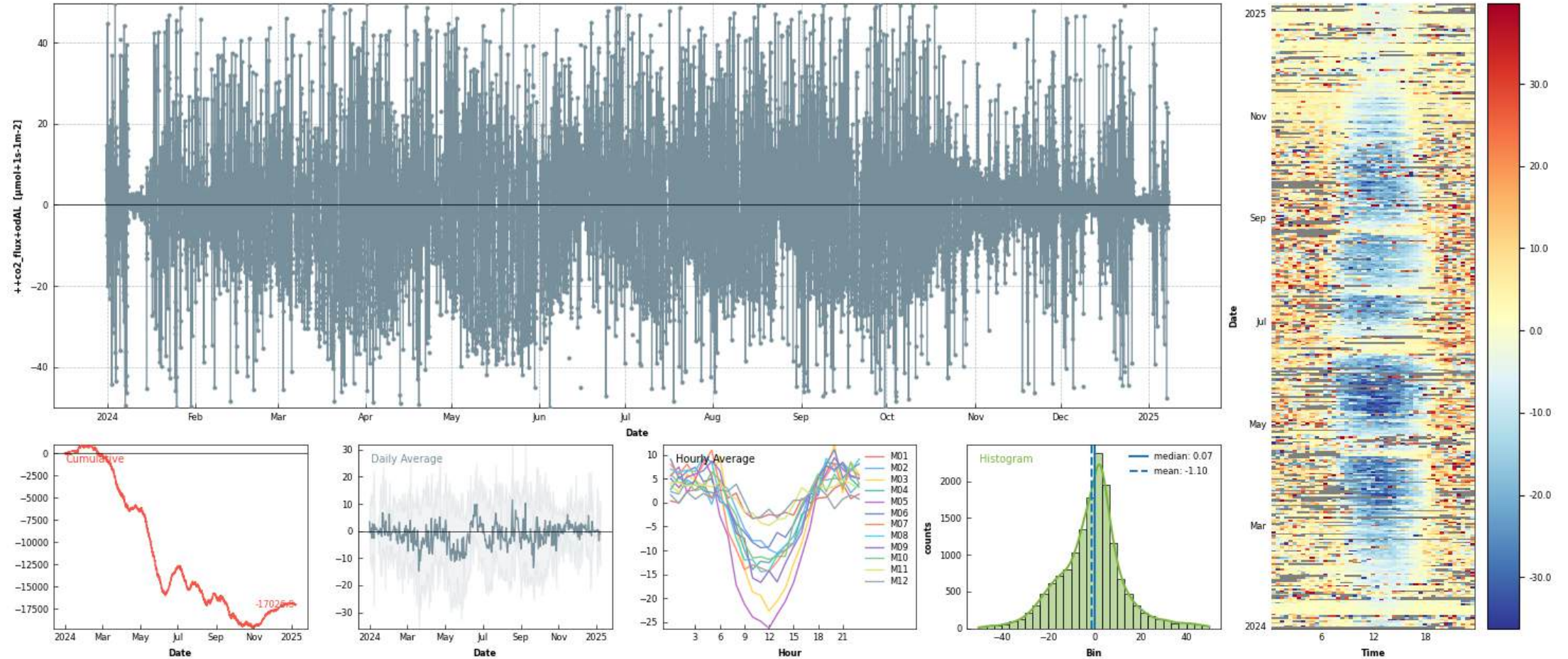


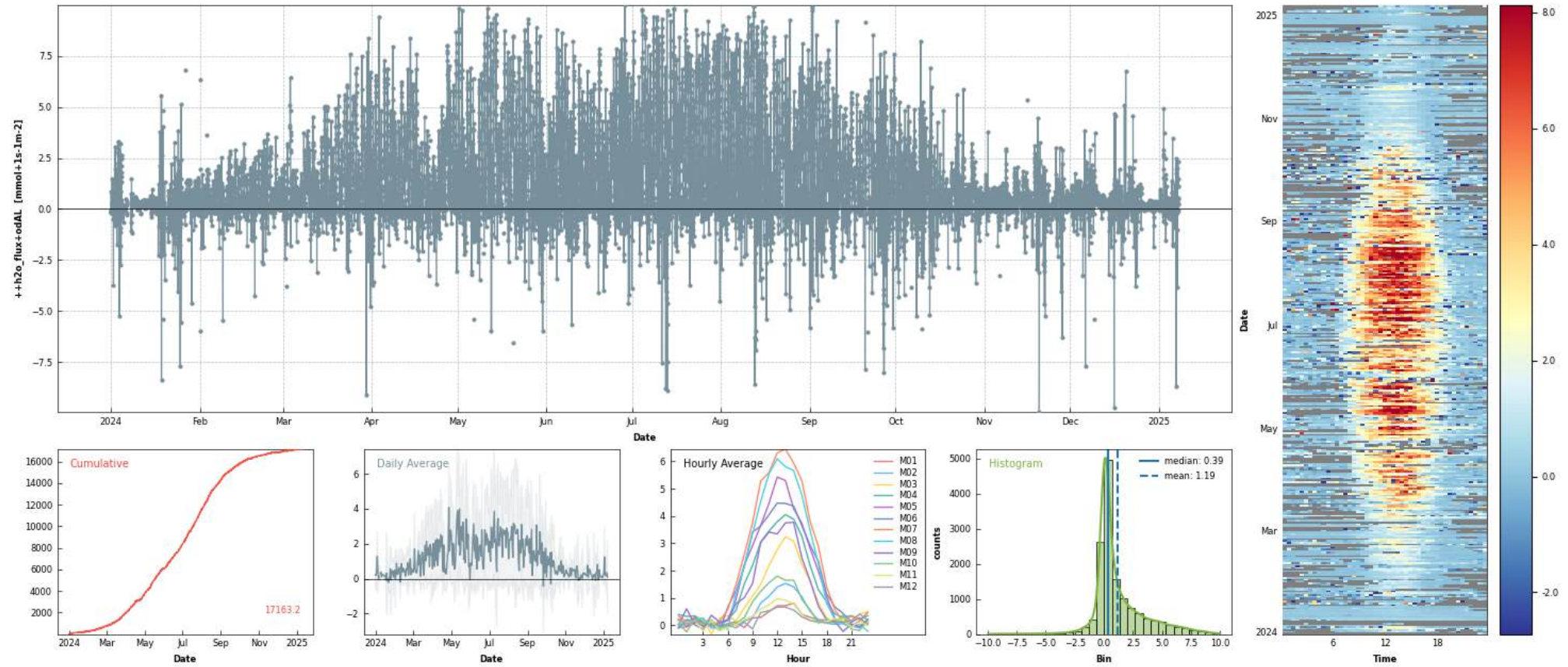






- Grazing: 2024.01.20 - 2024.01.23
- 1st mowing: 2024.04.11
- 2nd mowing: 2024.06.11 (wet areas – 2024.06.19)
- 3rd mowing: 2024.07.17
- 4th mowing: 2024.08.22
- Grazing: 2024.11.08-2024.11.19





## Recent spikes in H &amp; w\_rot: snow &amp; frost

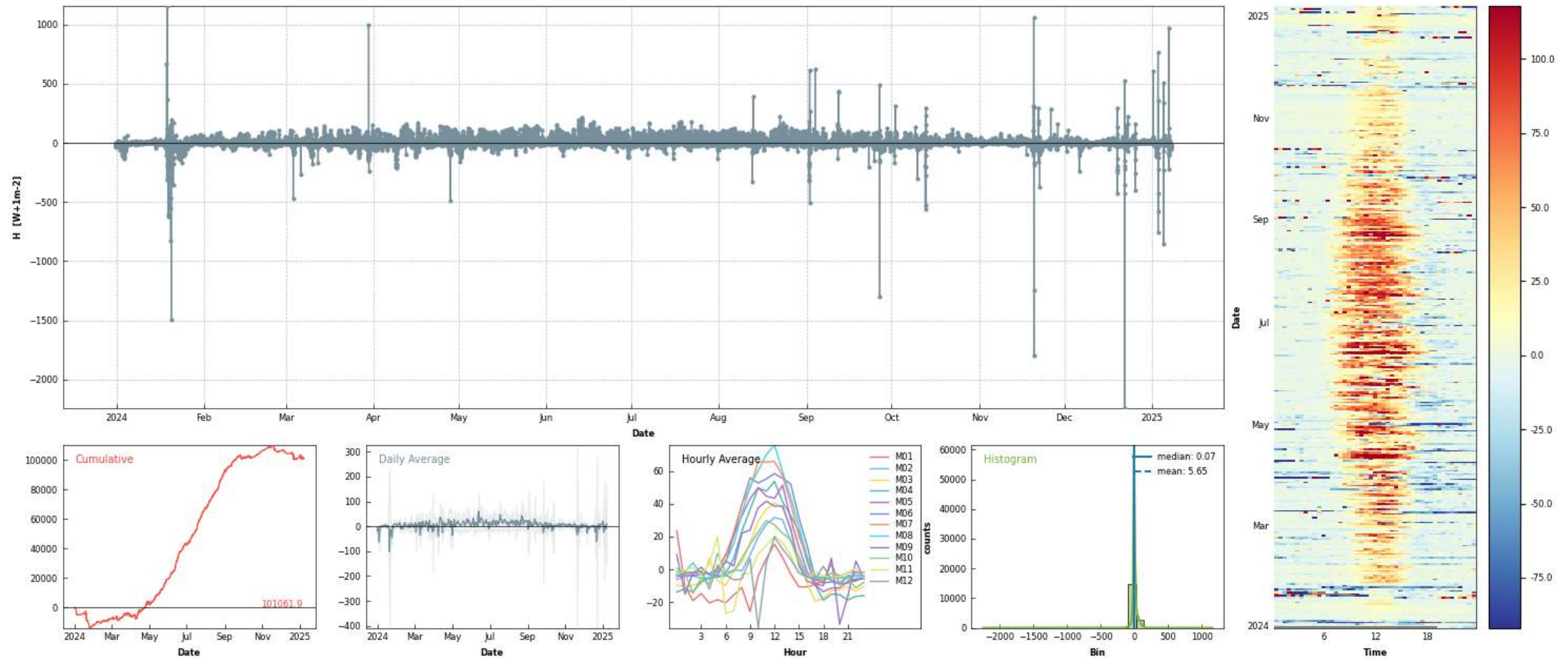
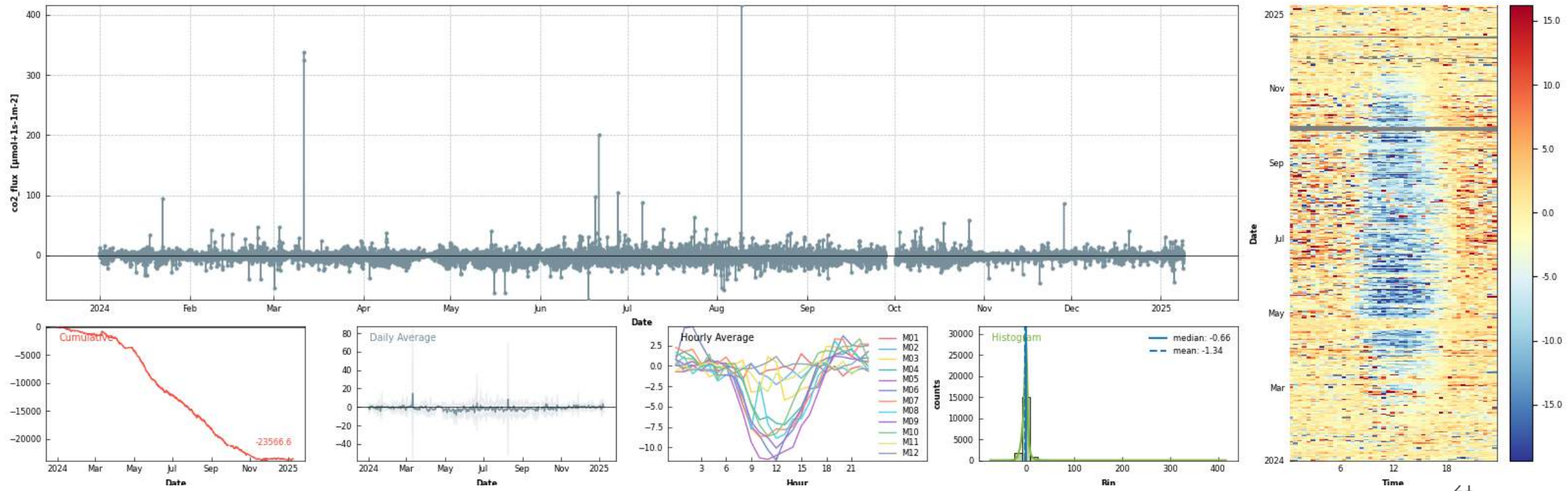




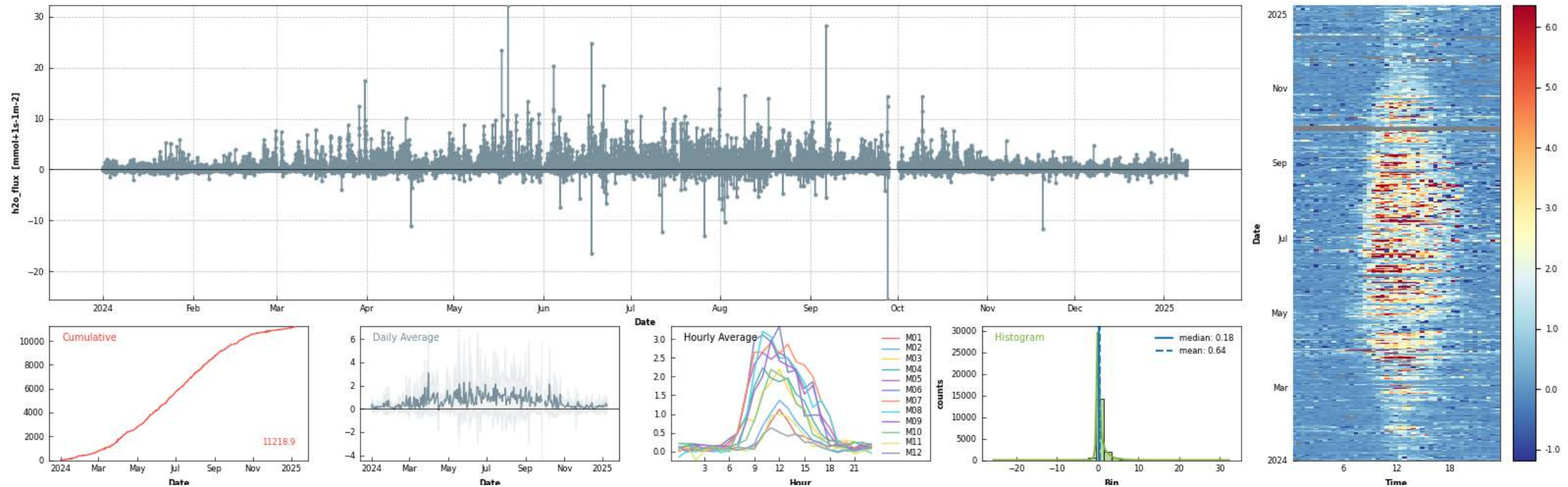
Photo: Lukas Hörtnagl

- Cold period mid-April caused an interruption in CO<sub>2</sub> uptake
- First snow on 13-14<sup>th</sup> September
- Two longer gaps: First one due to sonic failure and most recent one due to IRGA connection issues (data only coming in intermittently, frequency was 16 instead of 20 Hz, maybe some fluxes can still be calculated with some special eddypro settings?) → Yes, missing sample allowance was set to 30% (normally 10%)

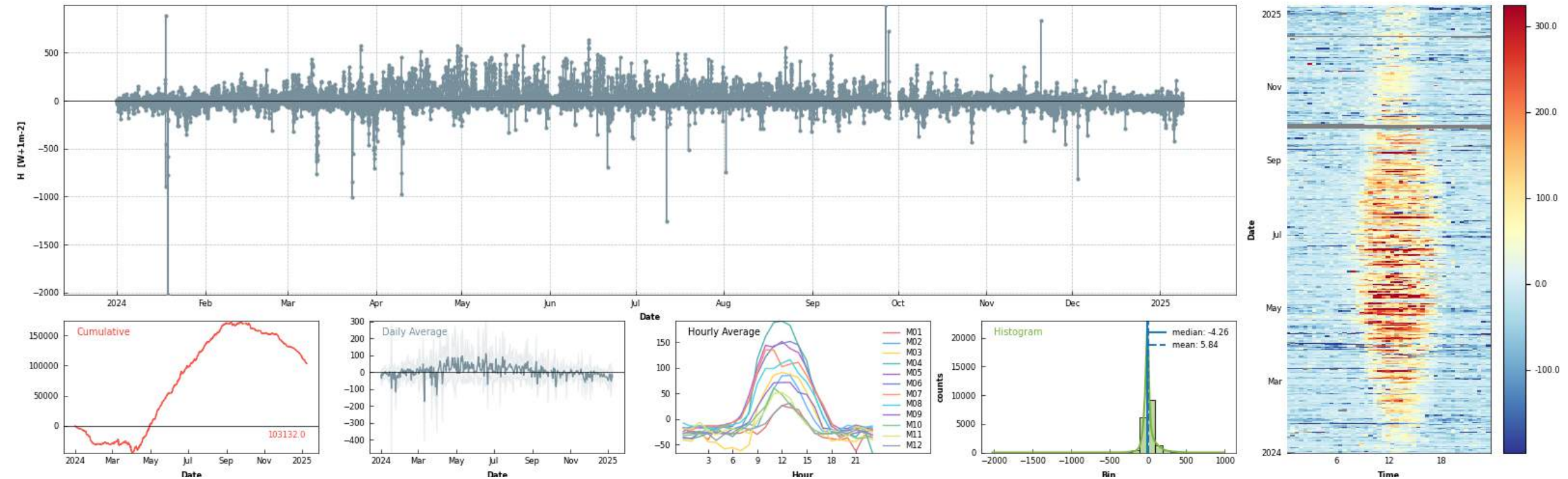
Missing samples allowance : 30 [%]  
Flux averaging interval : 30 [min]



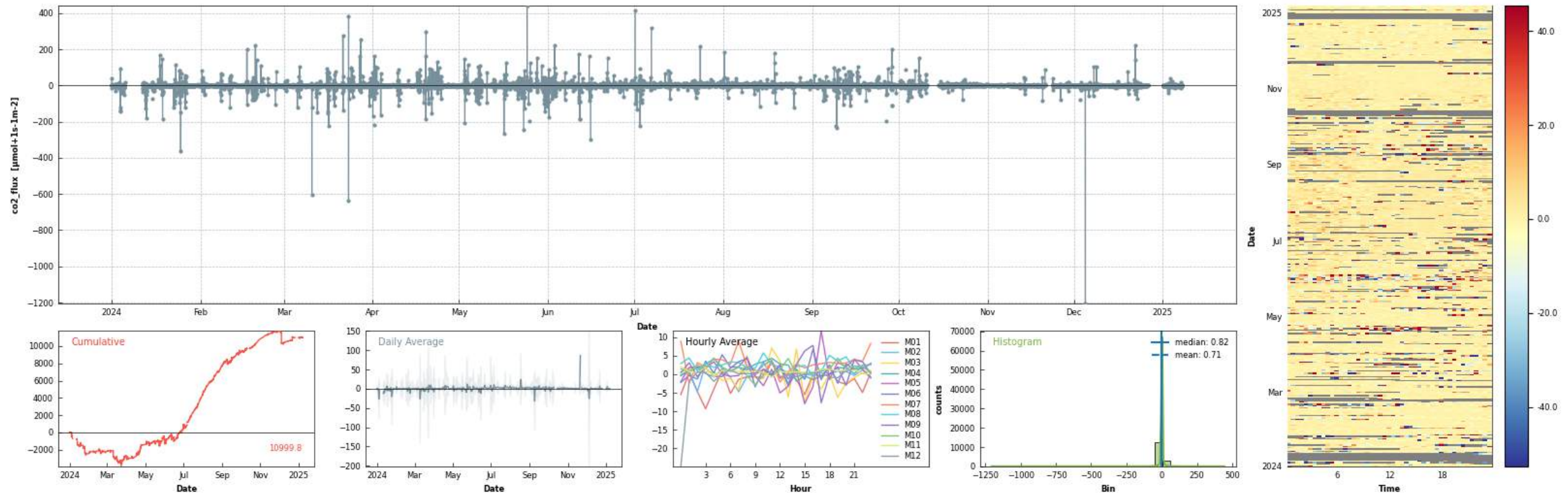
- Diurnal amplitude reduced mid-April and mid-September, coinciding with snowy, cold period
- Similar to the CO<sub>2</sub> flux the H<sub>2</sub>O flux is affected by the IRGA connection problems in November

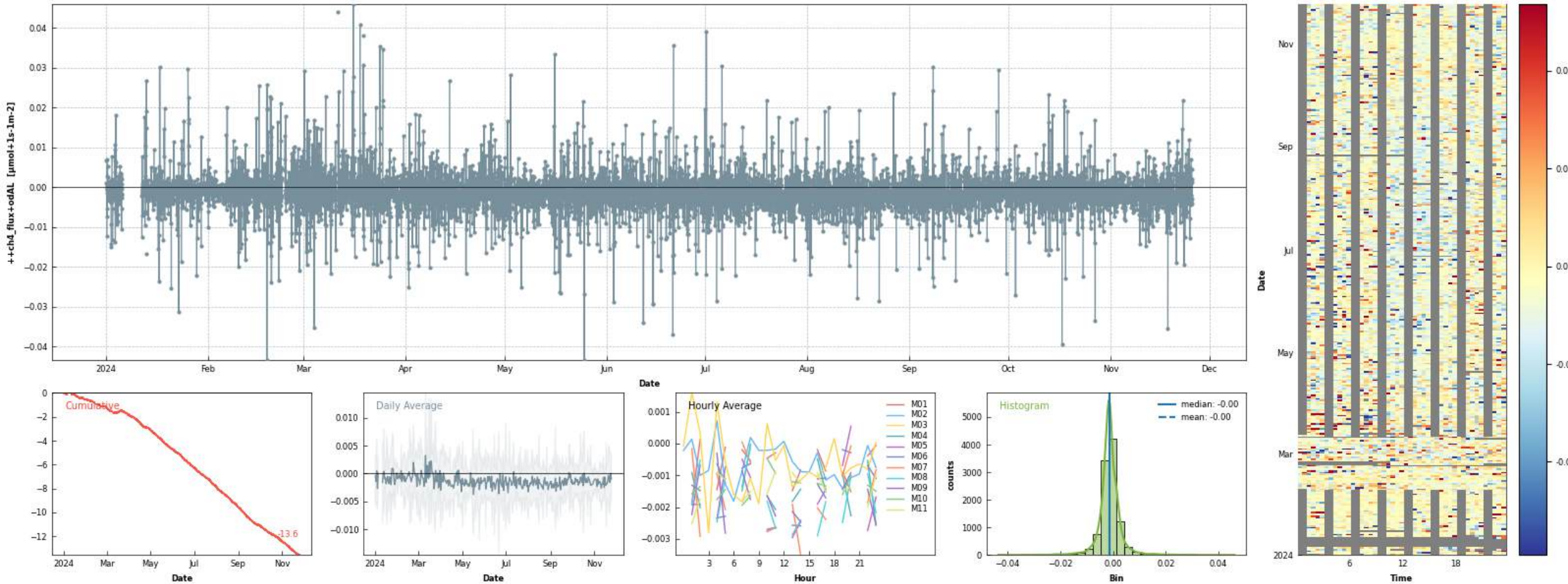


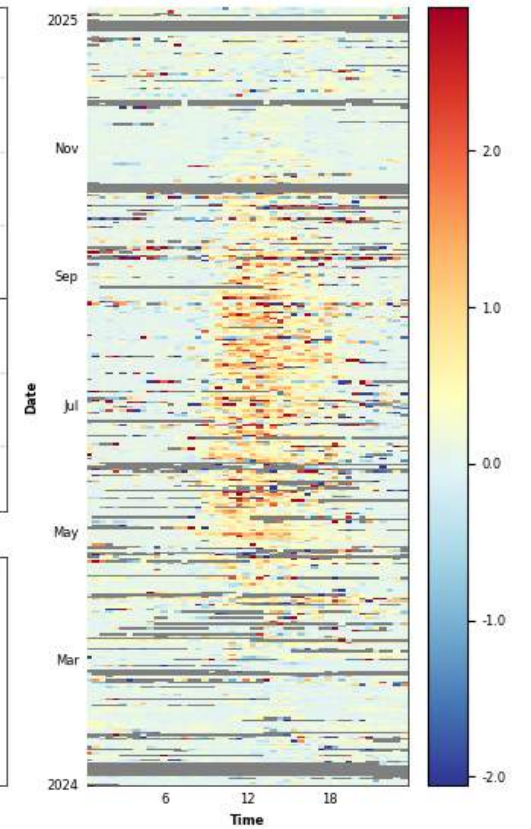
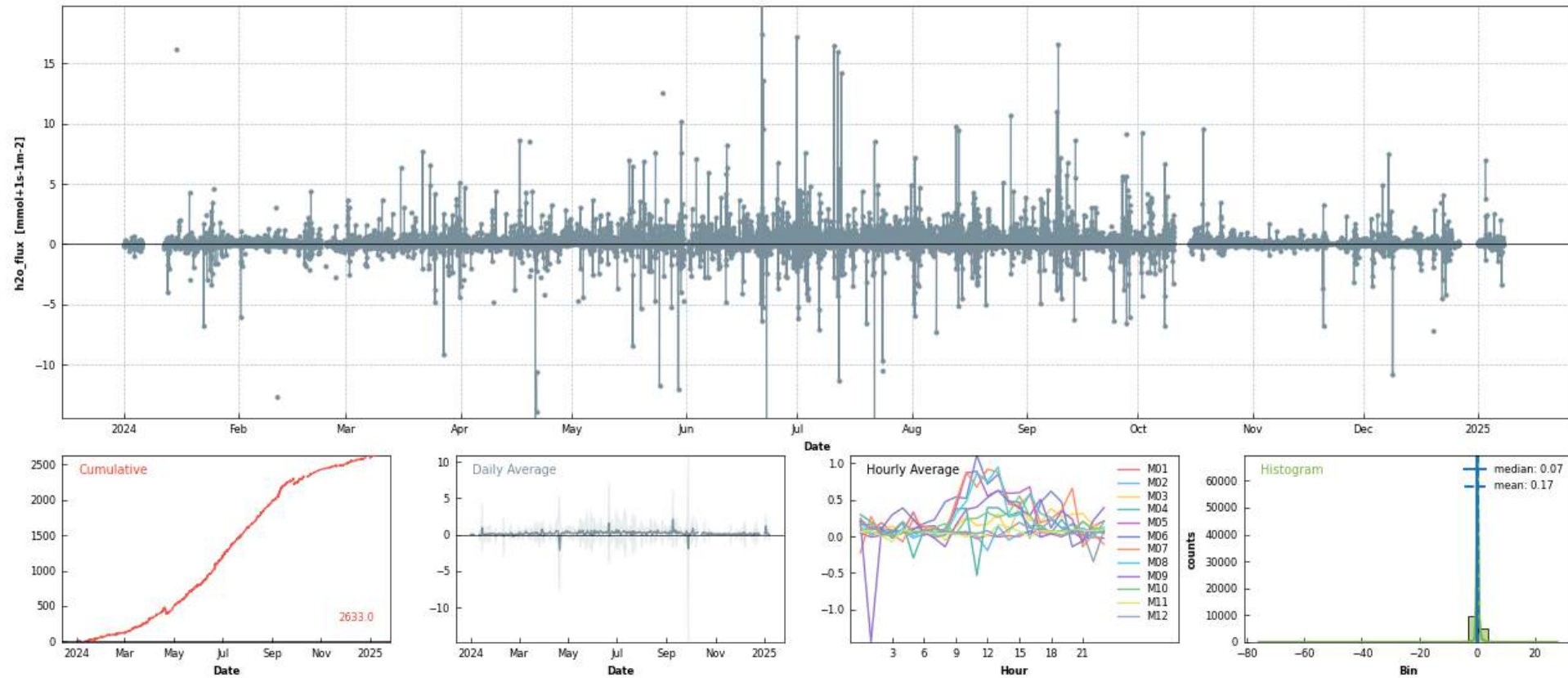
- There was a sonic failure end of September which caused the only gap of the year
- Sonic seems fine, IRGA issue not visible here











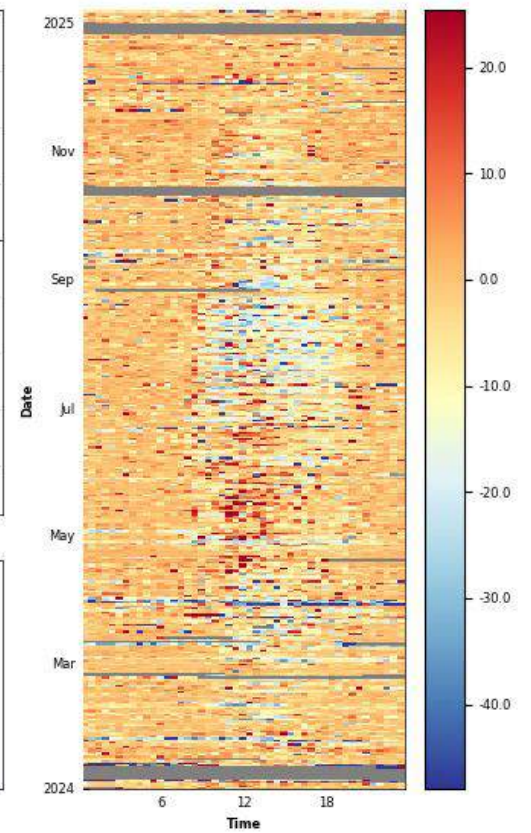
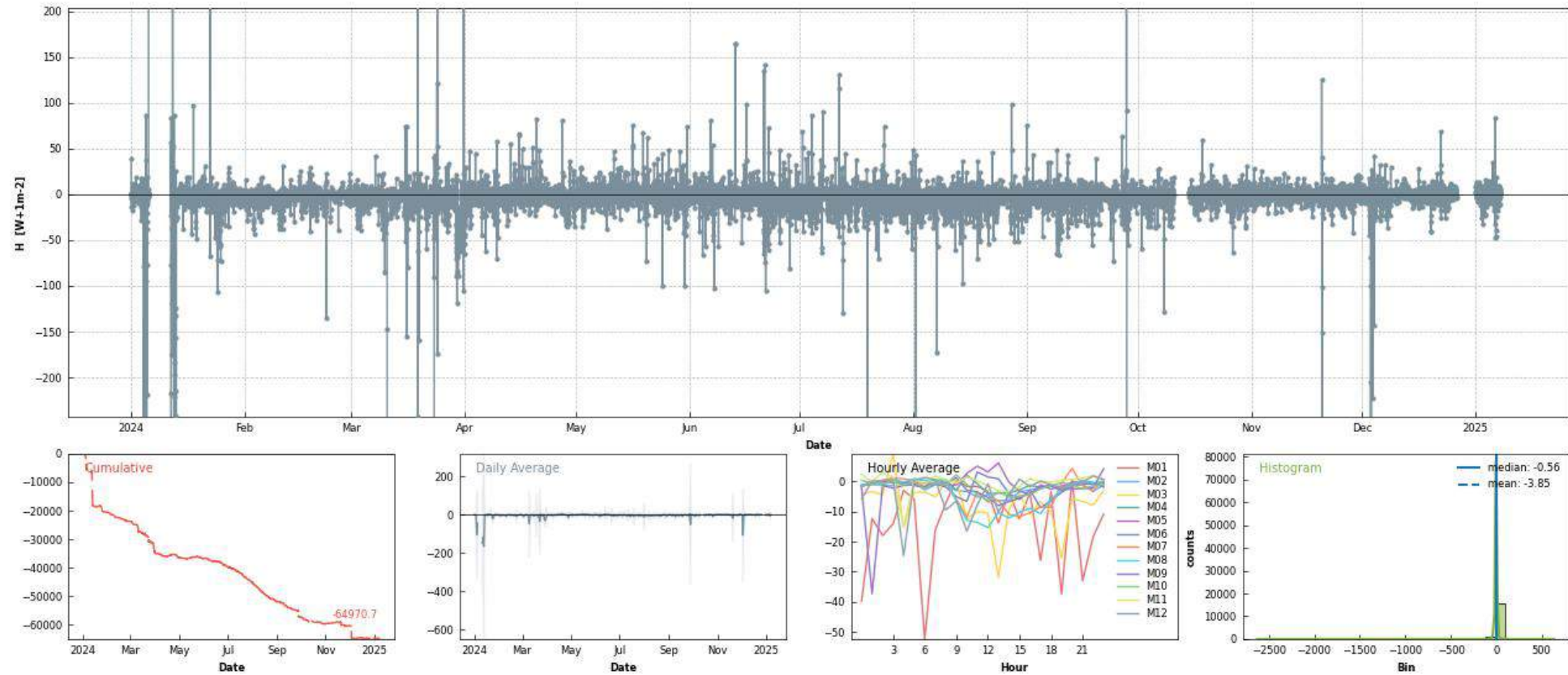
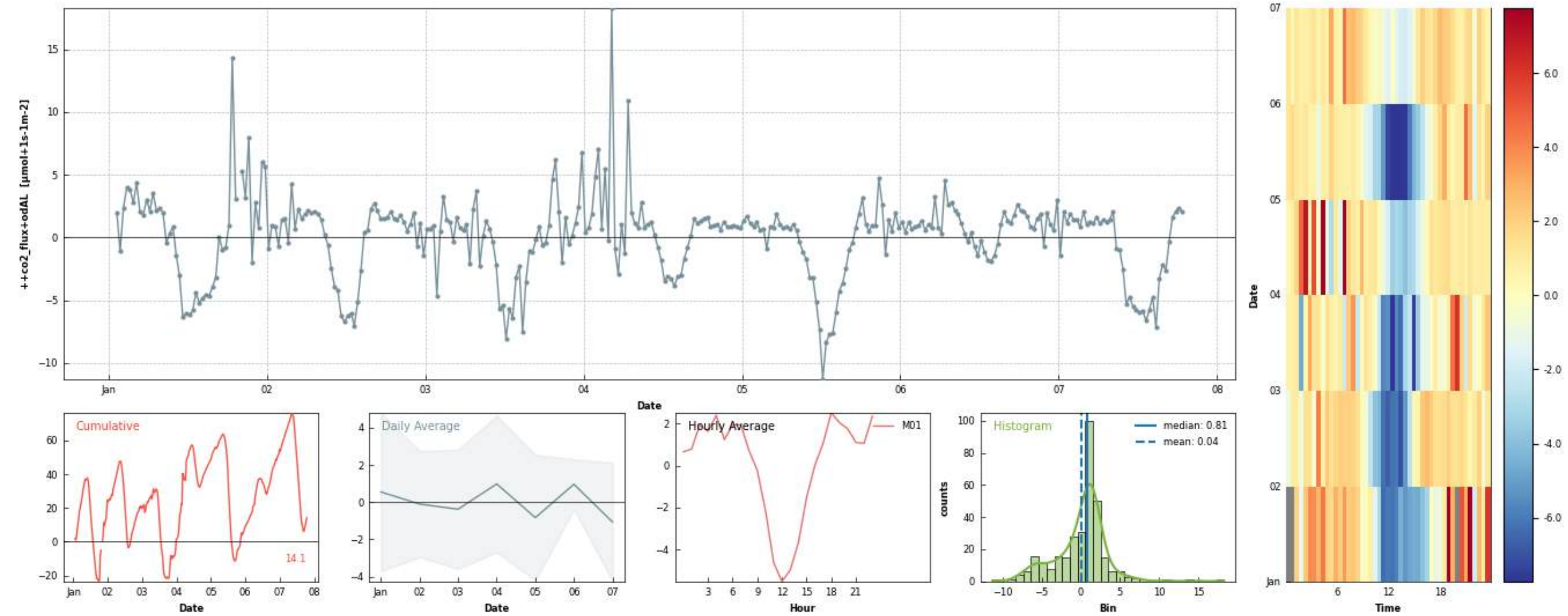
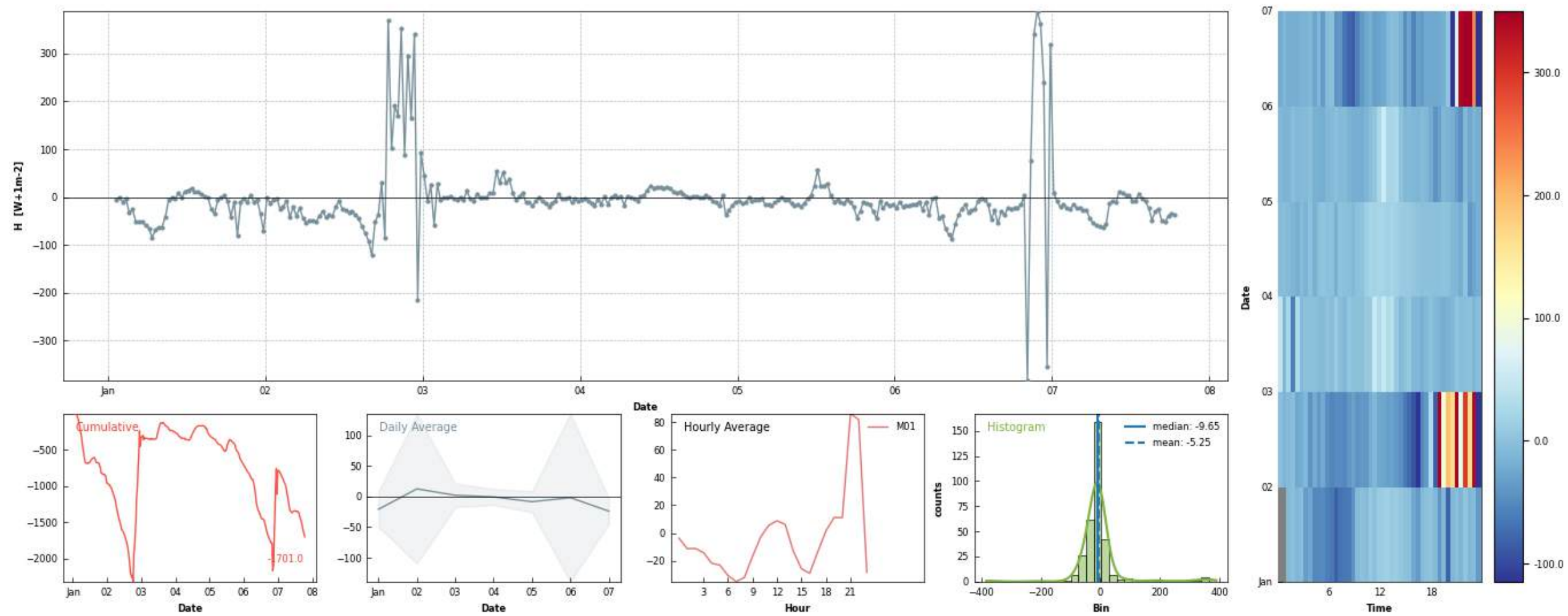
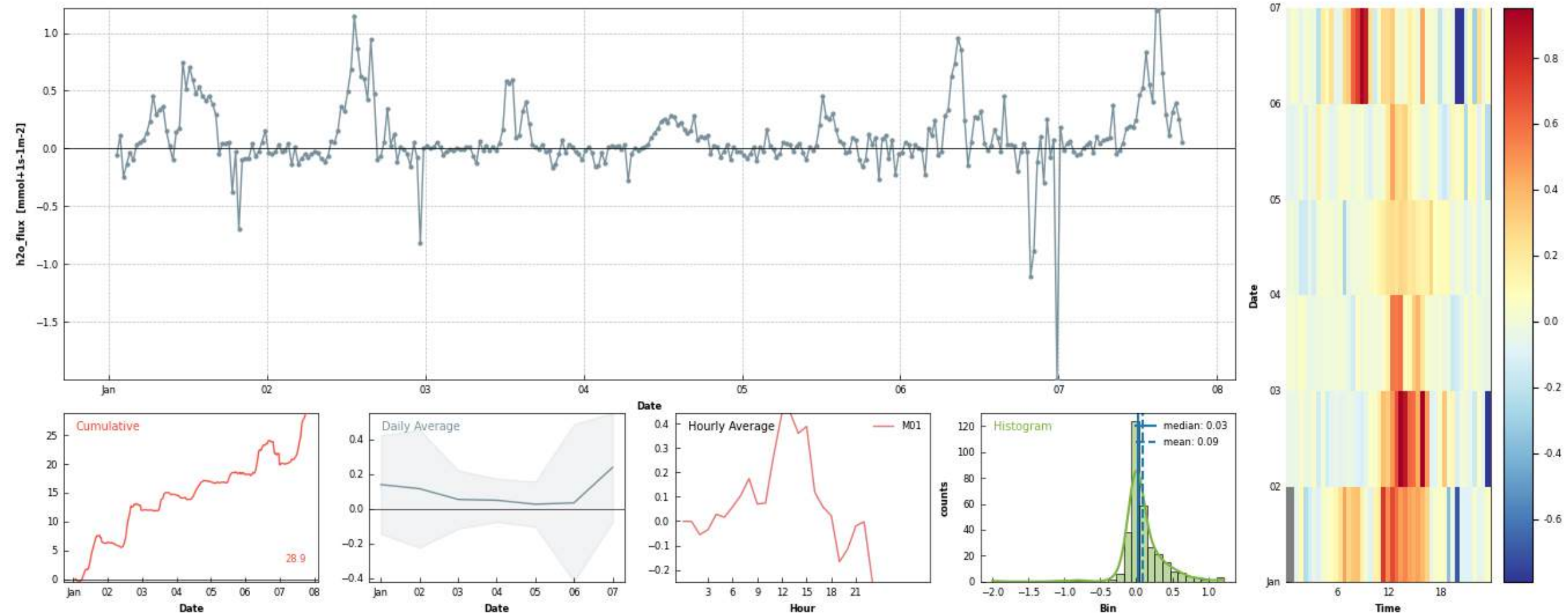


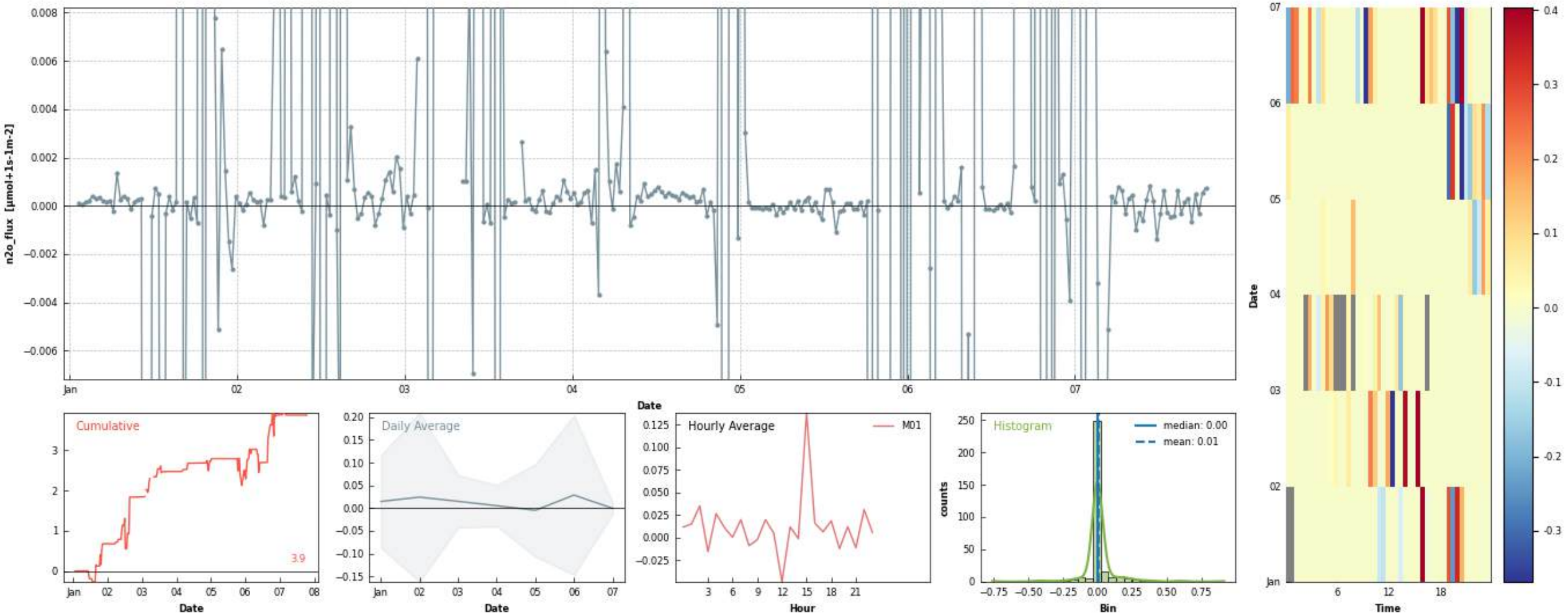


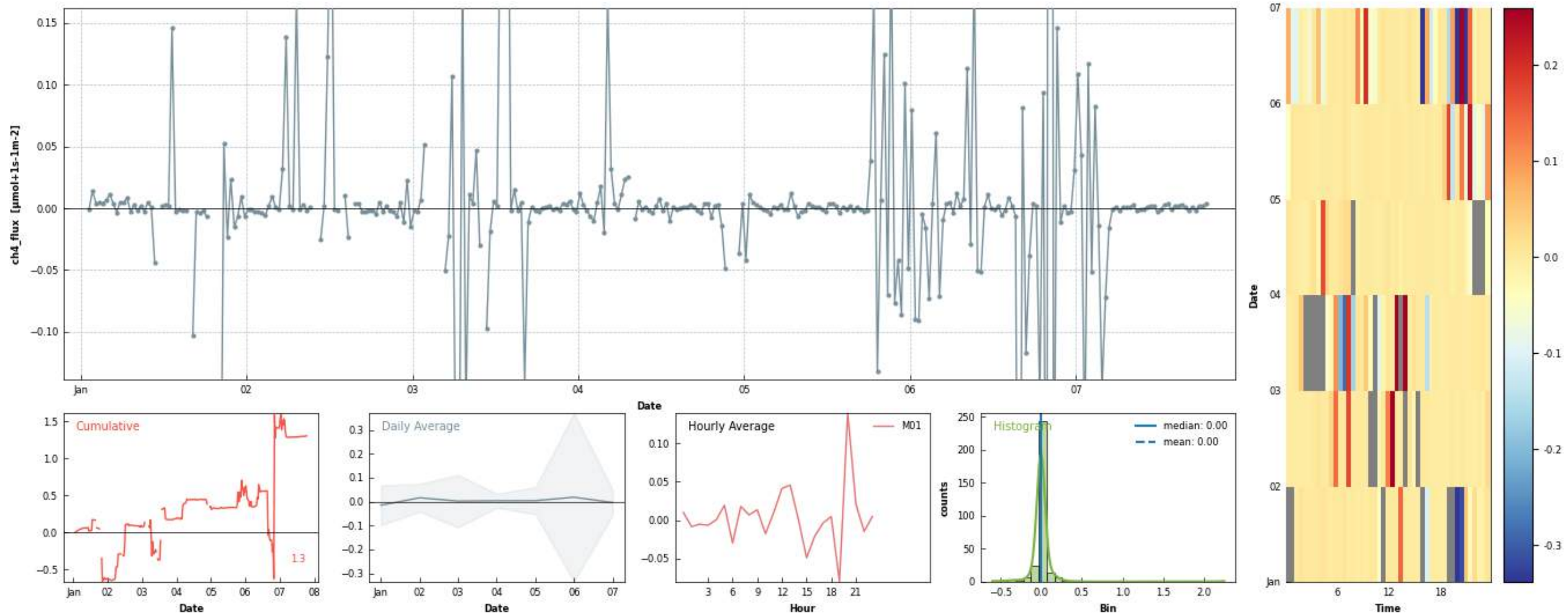
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- Something strange going on with the LGR....

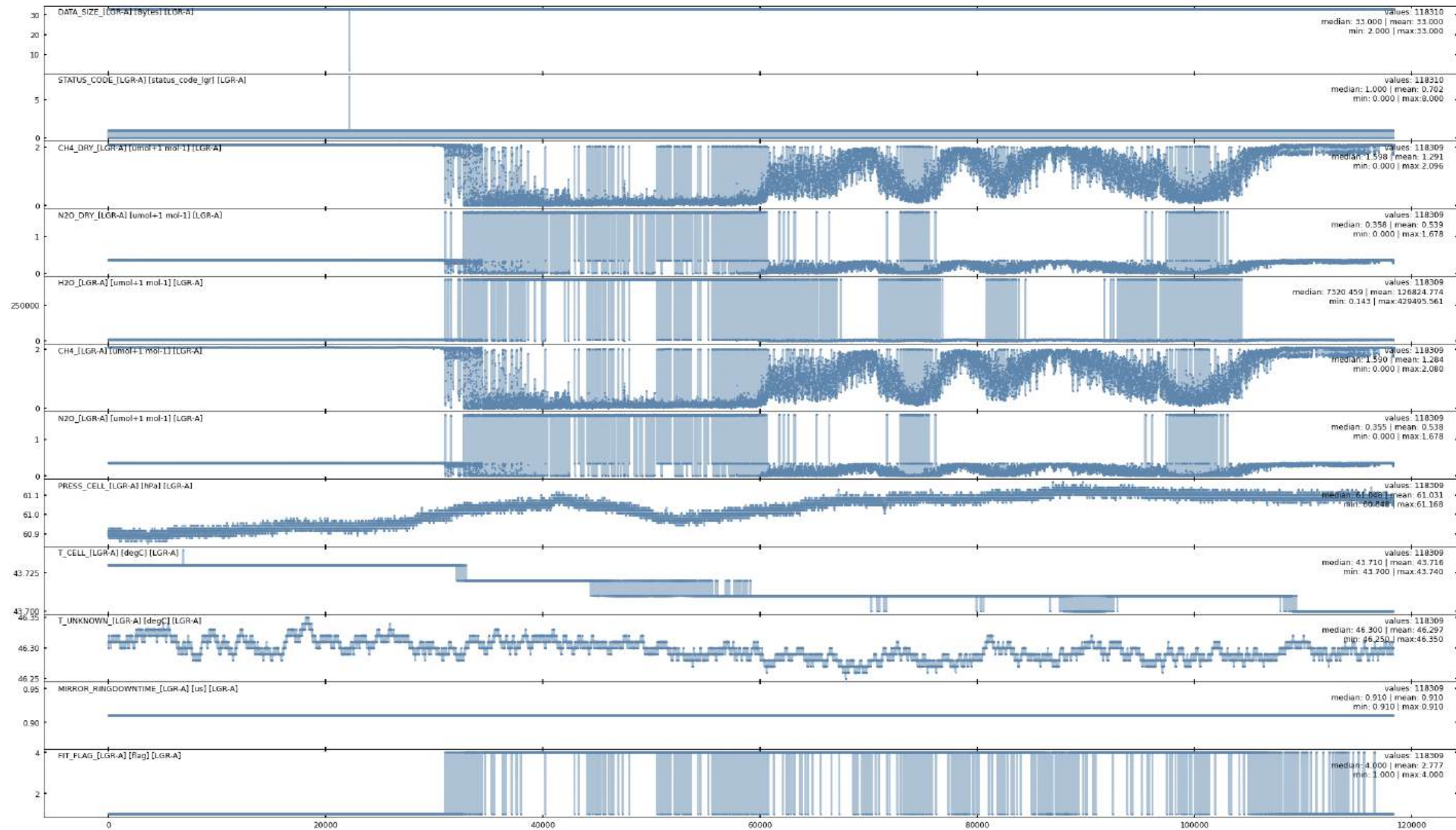
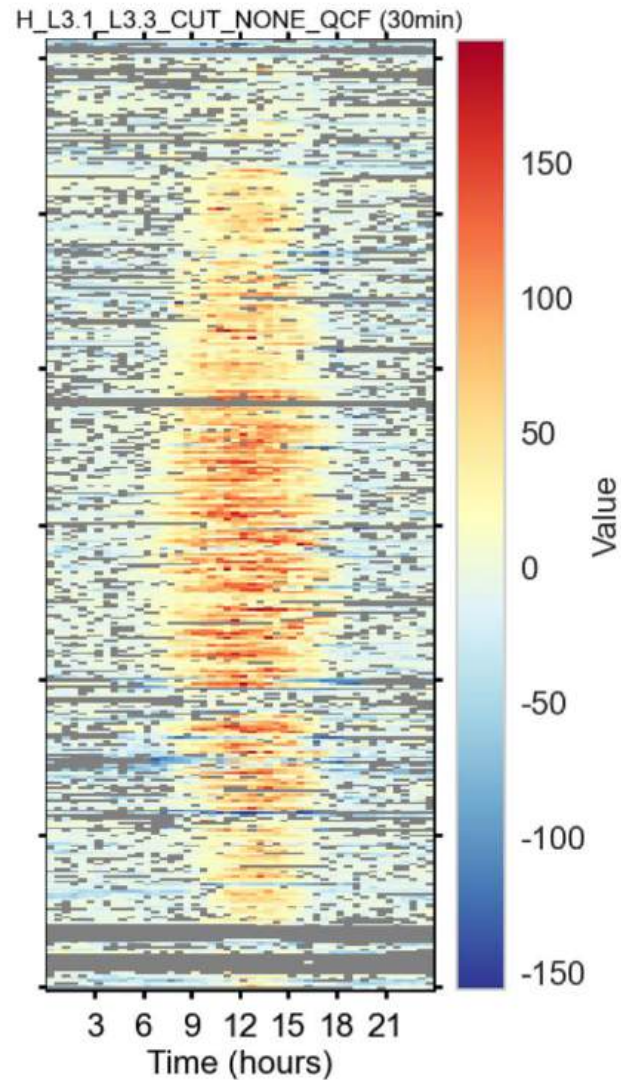


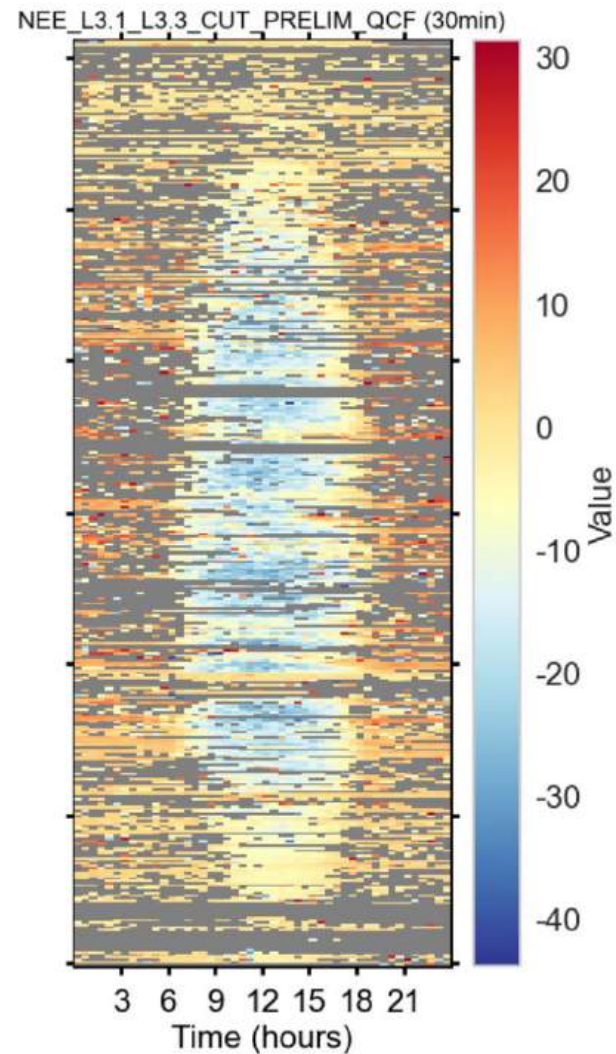


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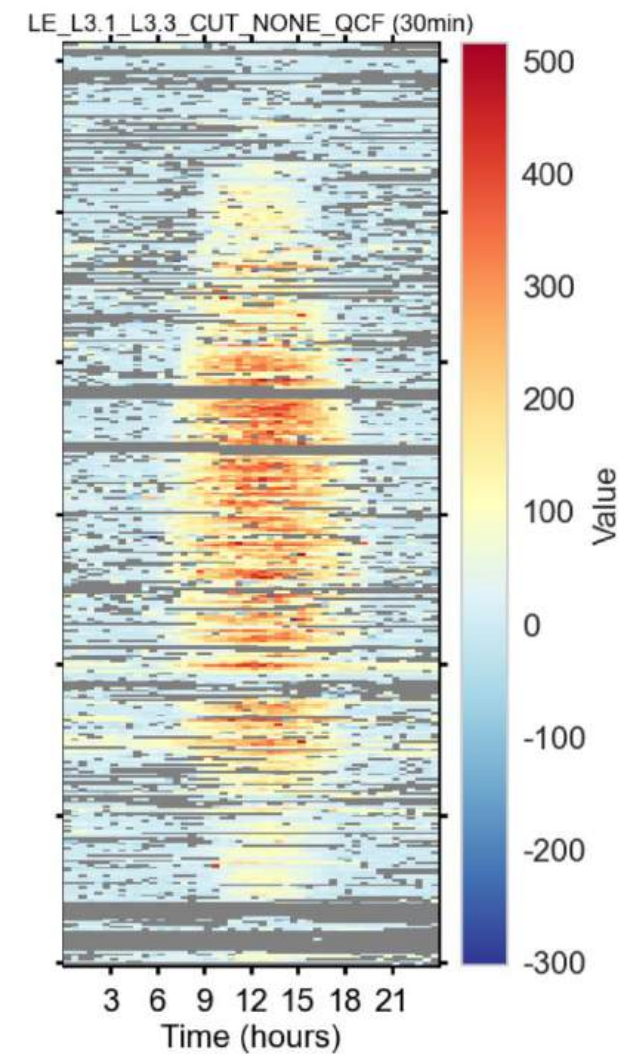
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CO<sub>2</sub> flux



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2024 complete, some days 2025

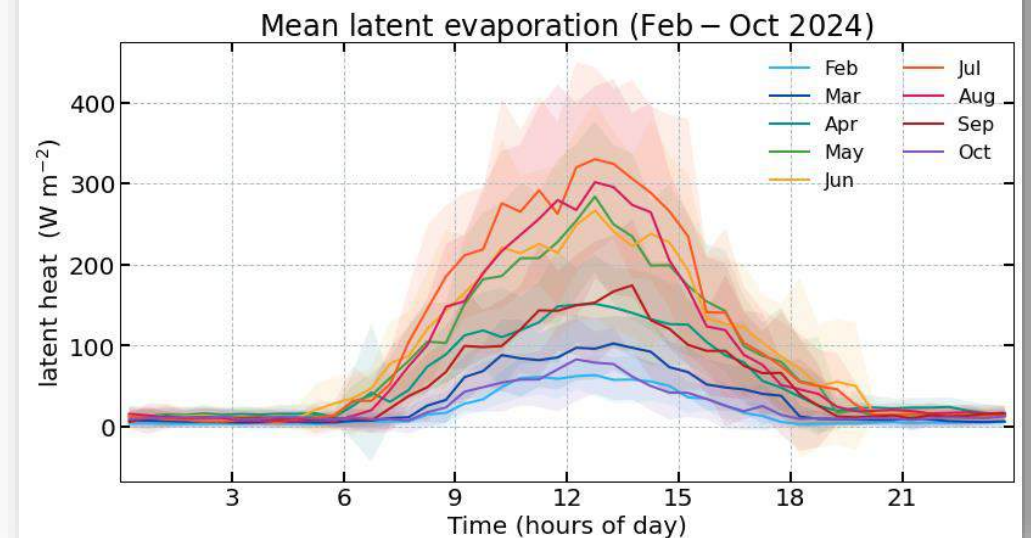
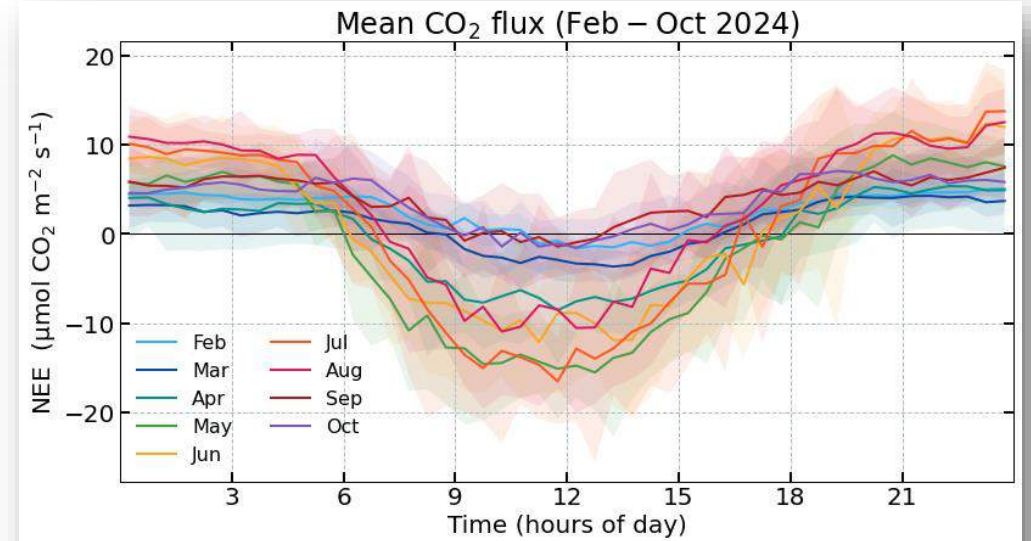
- With preliminary QCF using the diive notebook notebooks/FluxProcessingChain/QuickFluxProcessingChain.ipynb
- High and medium quality fluxes
- Preliminary outlier removal
- With preliminary USTAR filtering for NEE

Already done in Jan 2025: newly converted bico, L0 fluxes calculated for whole year in one run ✓



Photo: Lukas Hörtnagl

- First fluxes for CH-HON
- Test plantations with coniferous and deciduous tree species from different places of origin, research is being carried out into what the forest of tomorrow could look like. This area in the Zurich forest laboratory is one of 59 test areas throughout Switzerland. The site is part of the [Waldlabor Zürich](#).



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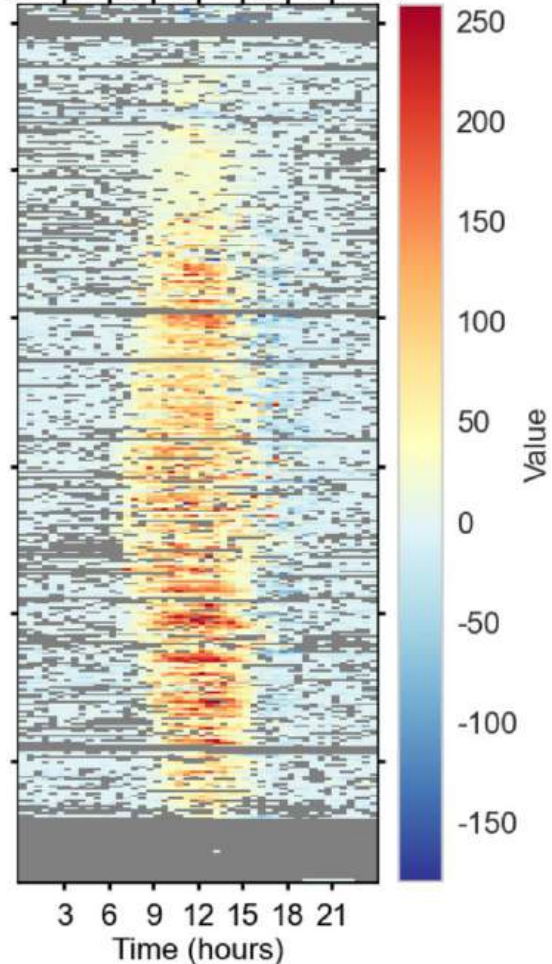
undergrowth removed end of August

CO<sub>2</sub> flux

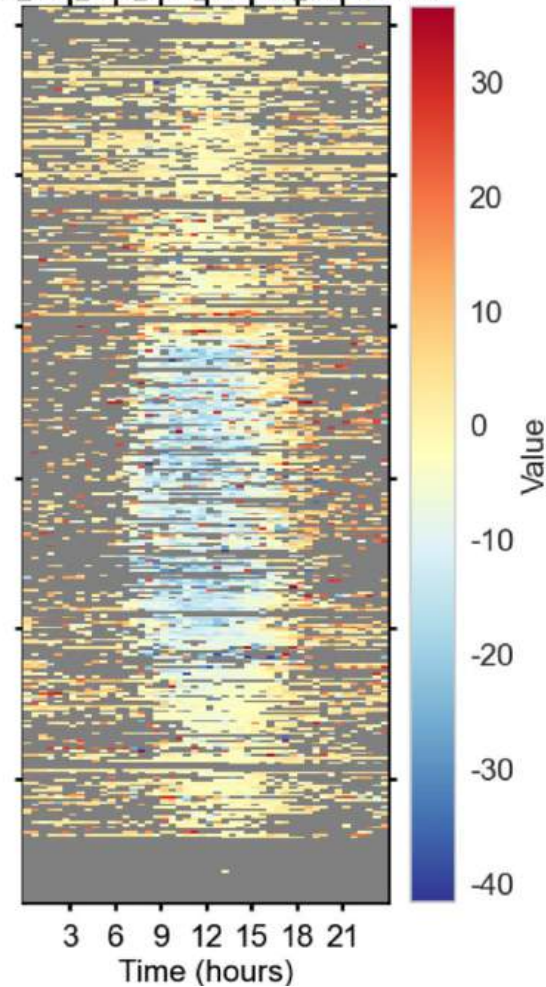
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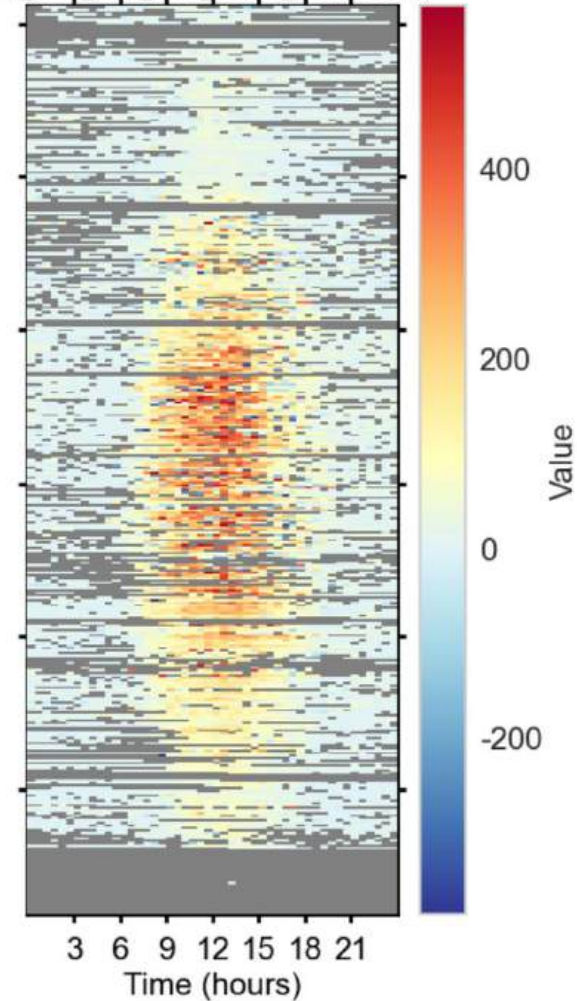
H\_L3.1\_L3.3\_CUT\_NONE\_QCF (30min)



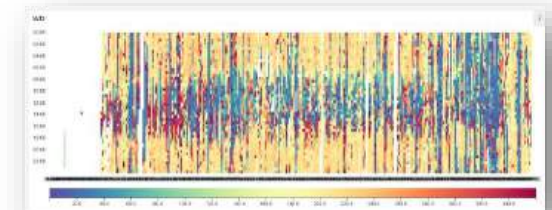
NEE\_L3.1\_L3.3\_CUT\_PRELIM\_QCF (30min)



LE\_L3.1\_L3.3\_CUT\_NONE\_QCF (30min)



- With preliminary QCF using the diive notebook  
notebooks/FluxProcessingChain/QuickFluxProcessingChain.ipynb
- Highest- and medium-quality fluxes
- Preliminary outlier removal
- With preliminary USTAR filtering for NEE



- Wind direction
- red/blue/green = footprint of interest
- Orange = behind tower, on path
- Will need QC with wind direction included



Photo: Markus Staudinger

Outlier removed CO<sub>2</sub> flux. Lägeren tried its best!

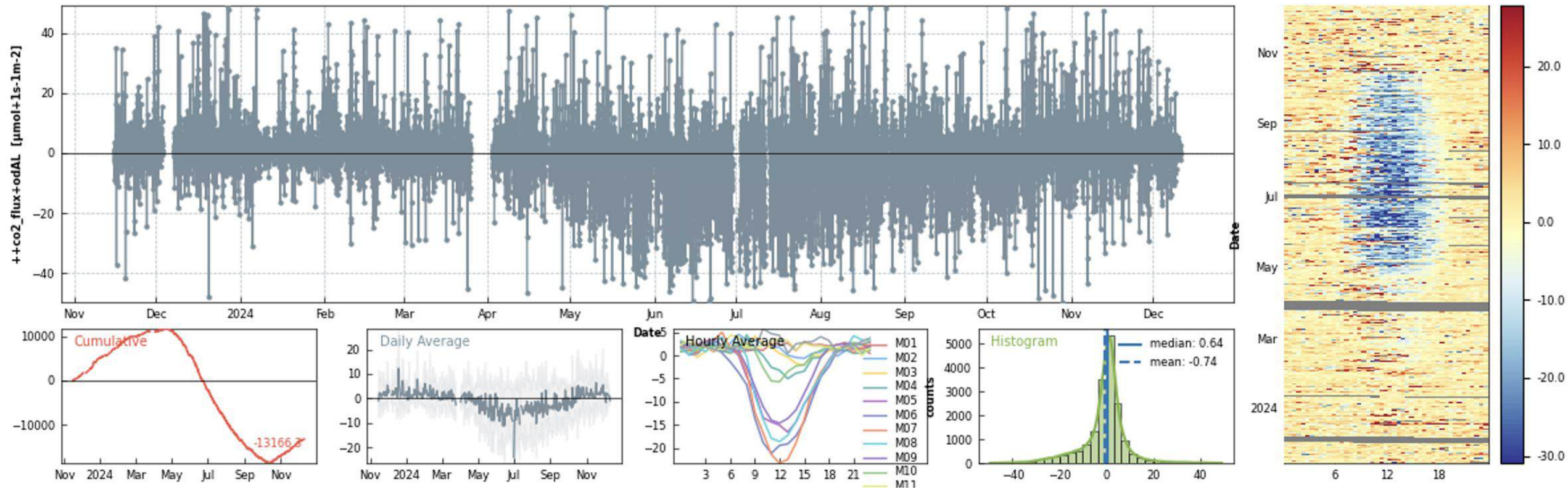




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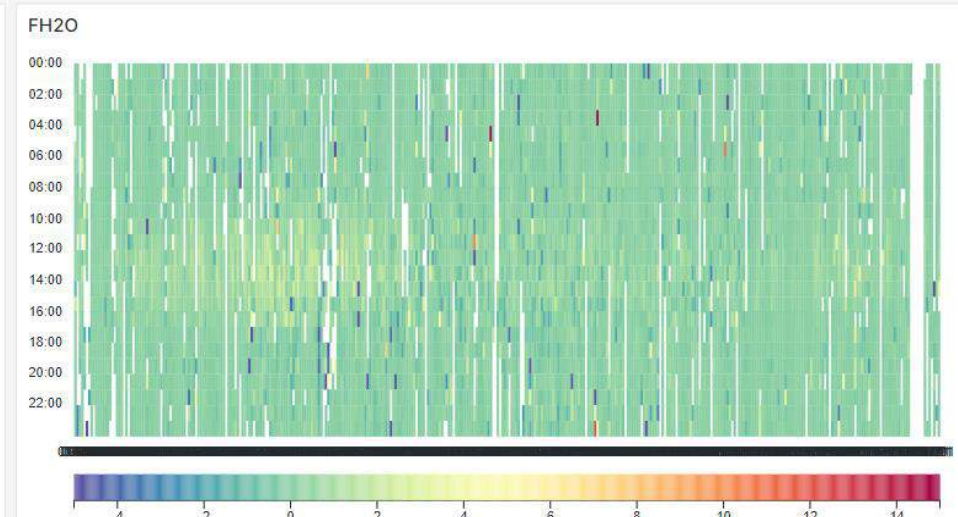
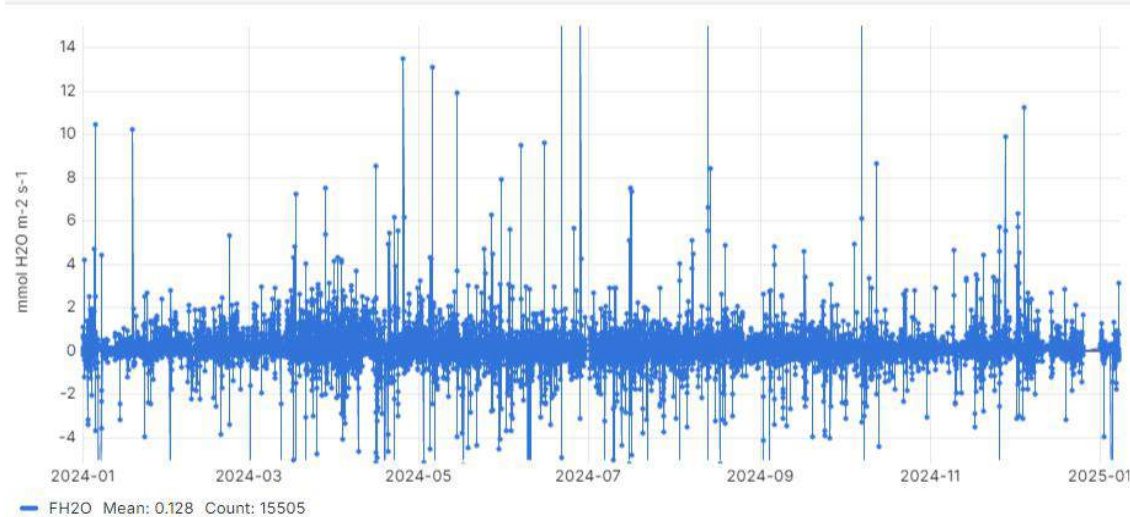
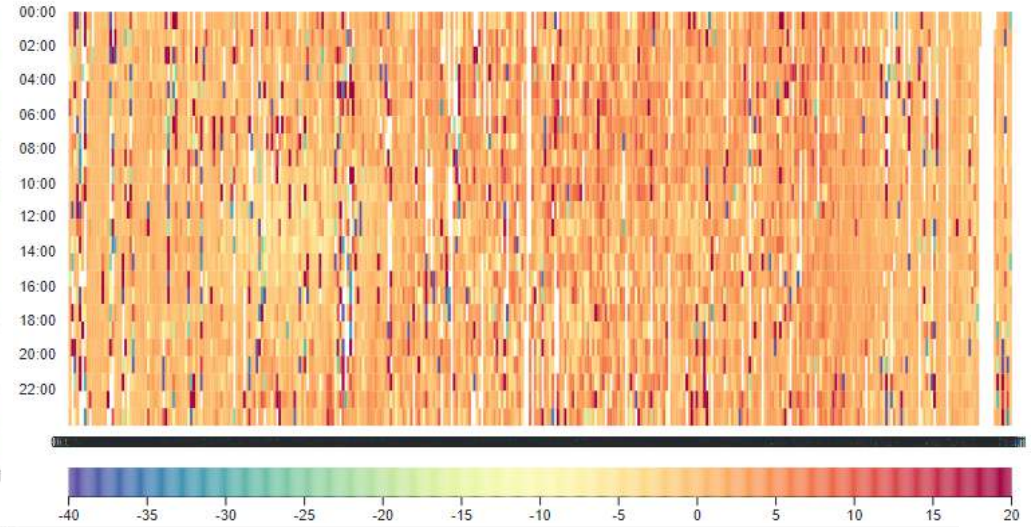
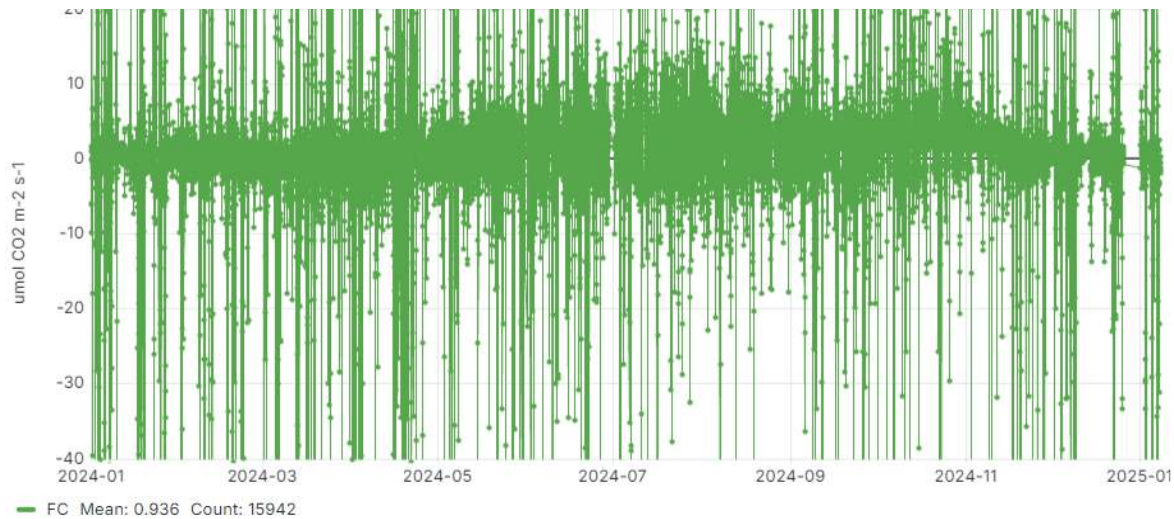
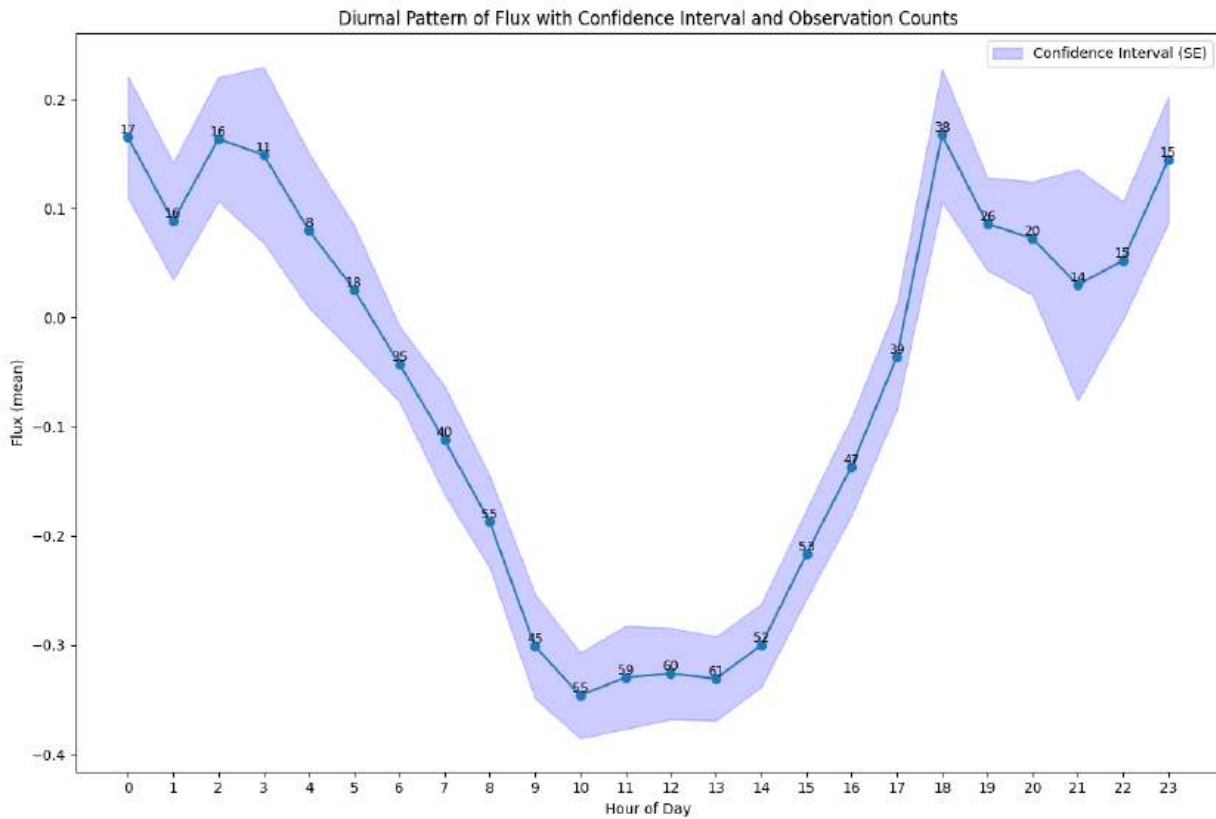




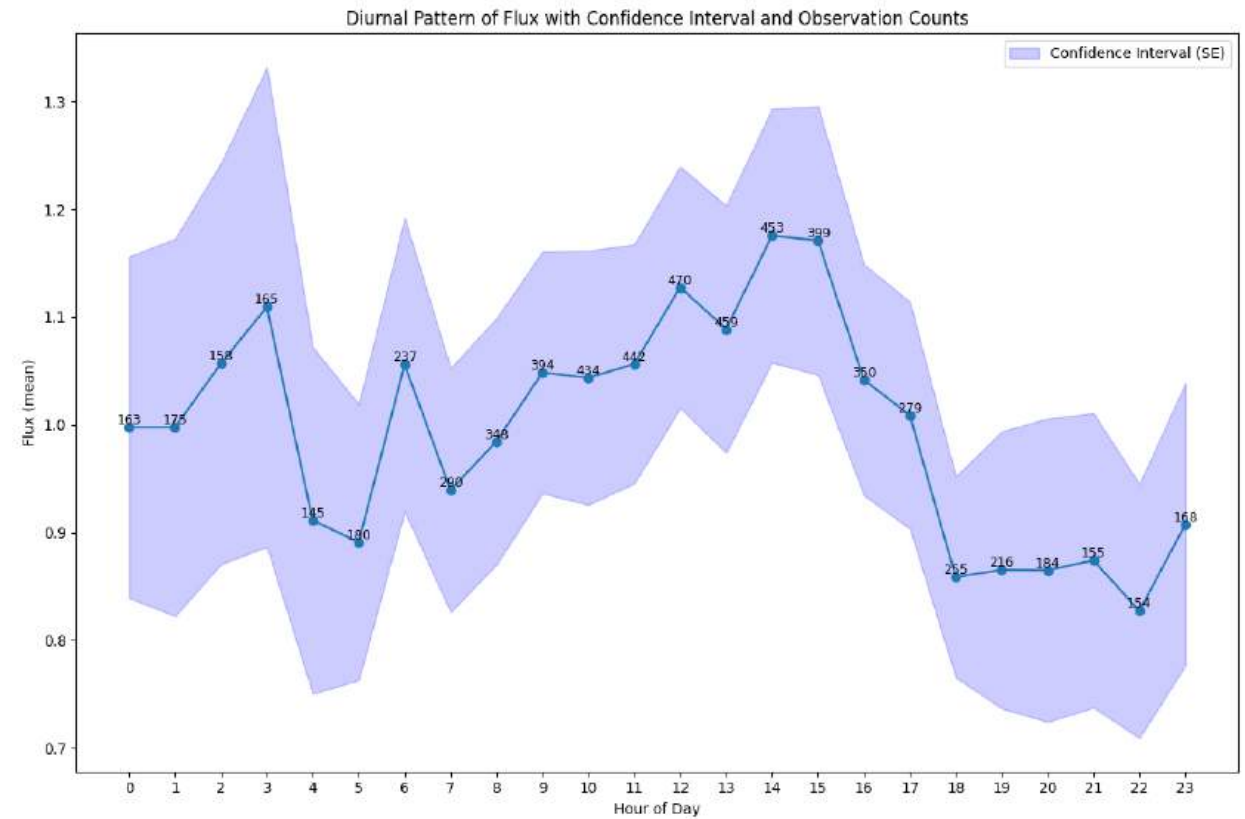
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DIURNAL N<sub>2</sub>O in 2022-23

'2023-05-10' : '2023-06-15'

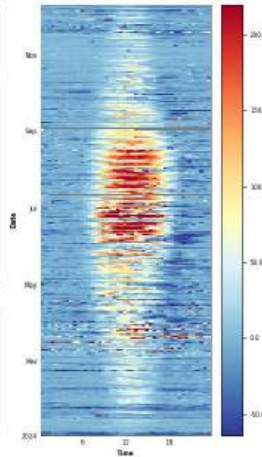
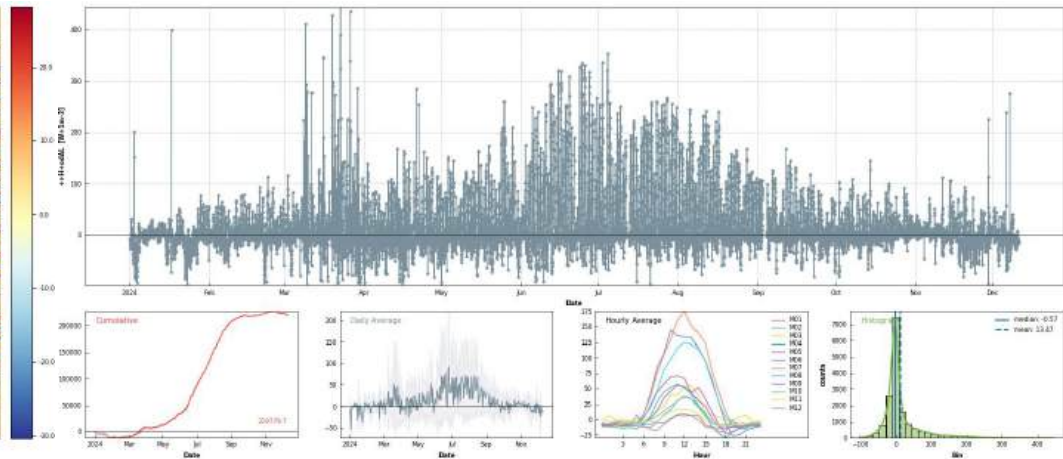
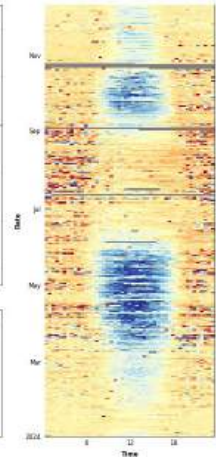
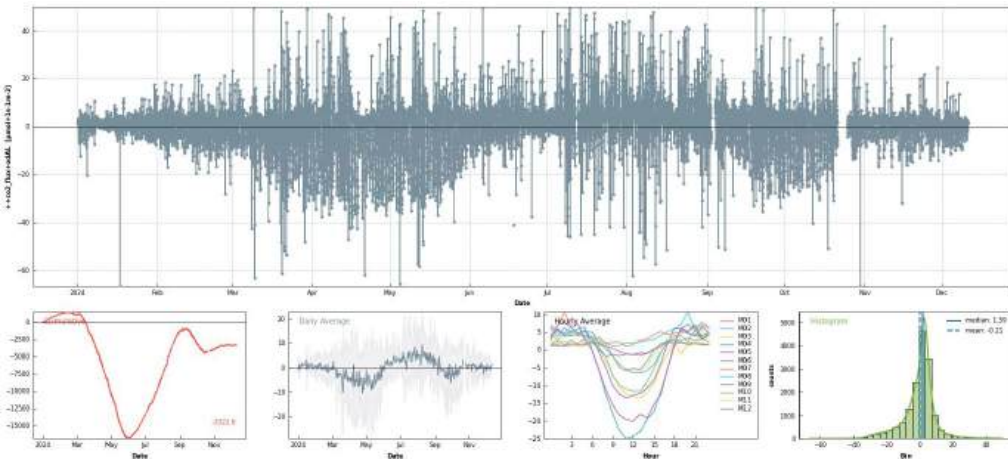


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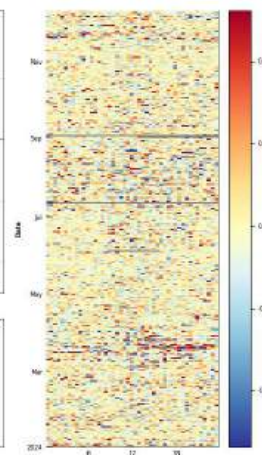
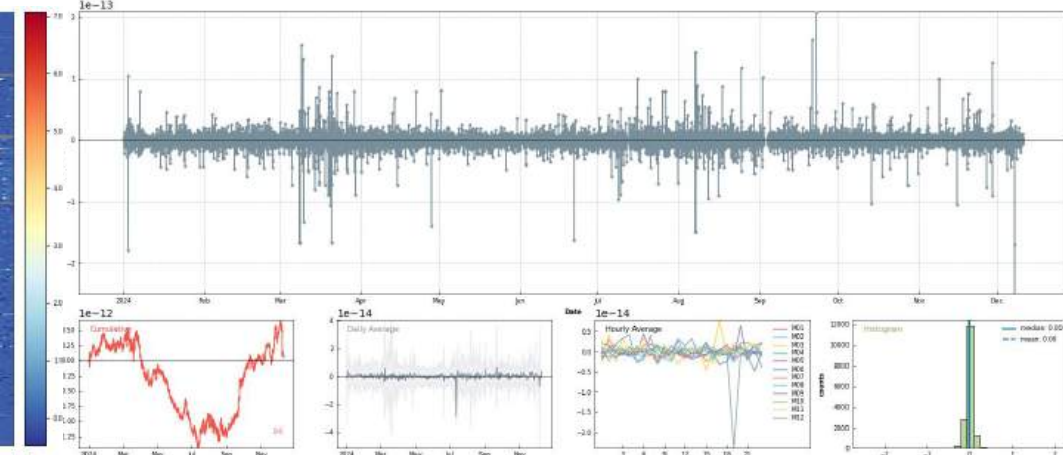
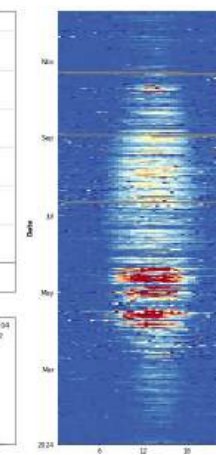
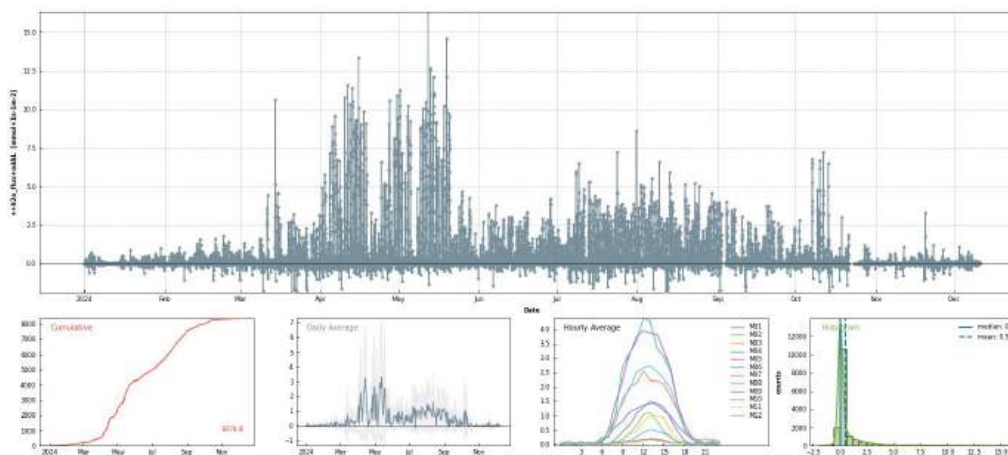
## CO2 flux

Abs limits: -70+50



## H2O flux

Abs limits: -2+20



## H

Abs limits: -100+450

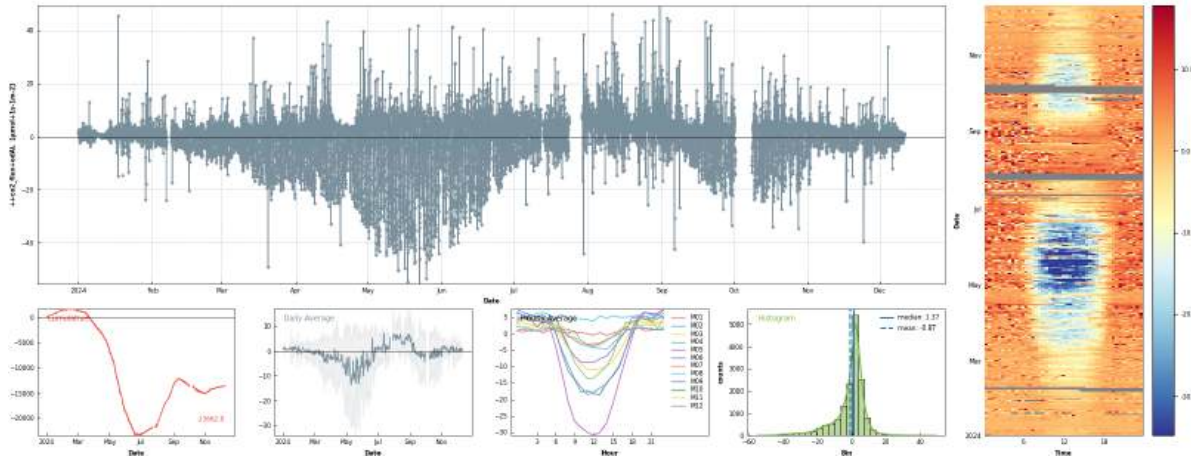
## w\_rot



Photo: Fabio Turco

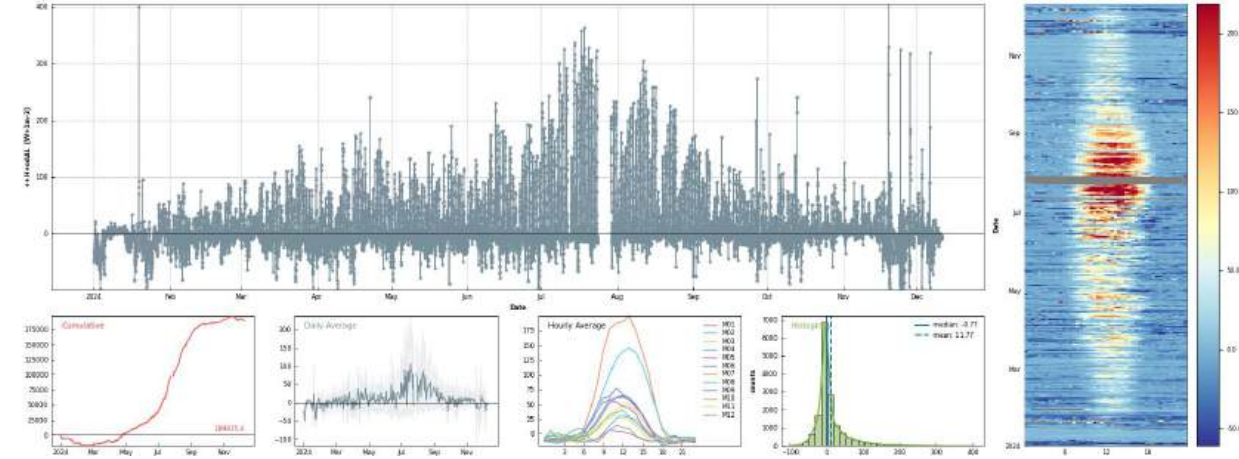
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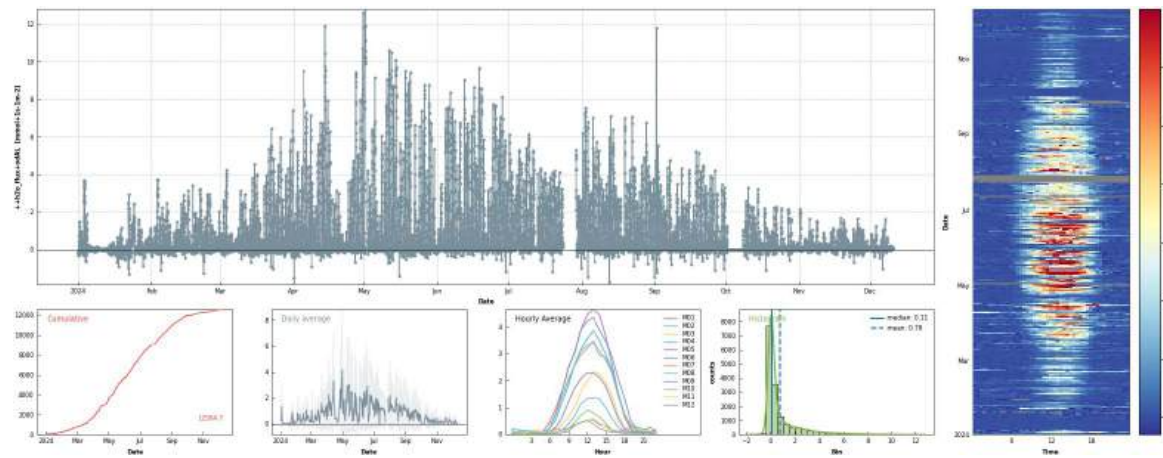


## H

Abs limits: -100+450

H<sub>2</sub>O flux

Abs limits: -2+20

N<sub>2</sub>O

Abs limits: -0.005+0.05

