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Radioisotope

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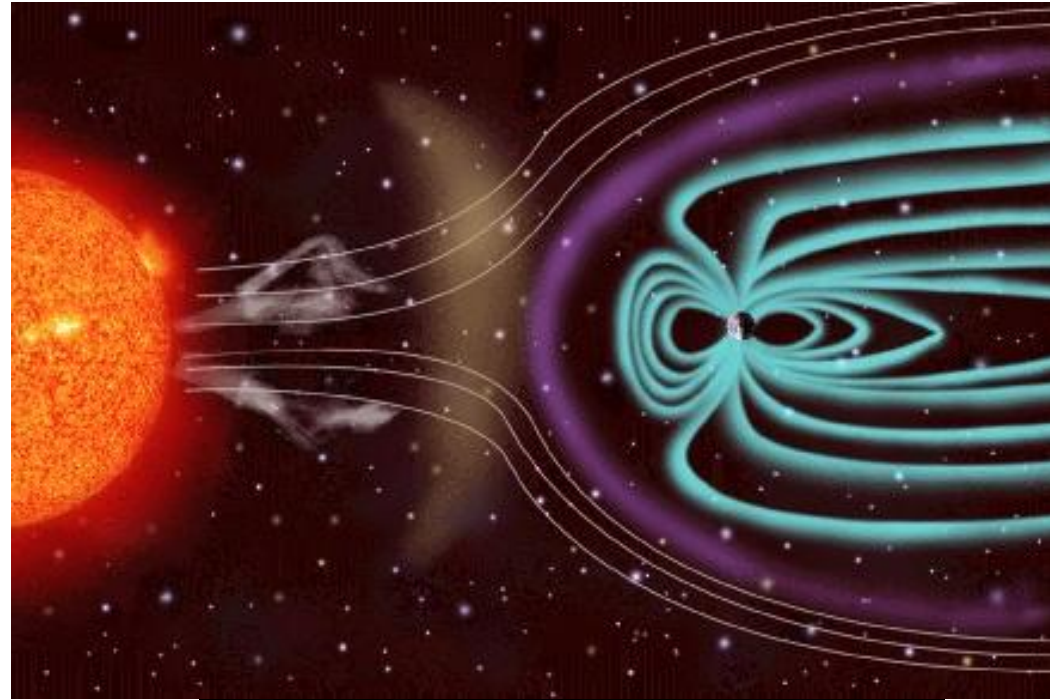
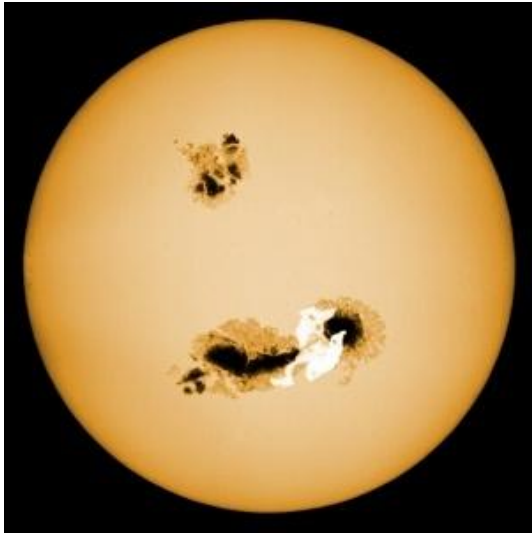
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Mehr Sonnen-Aktivität (Flecke UND koronale Löcher)

→ mehr Sonnen-Wind → Geo-magnetische Aktivität und Aurorae



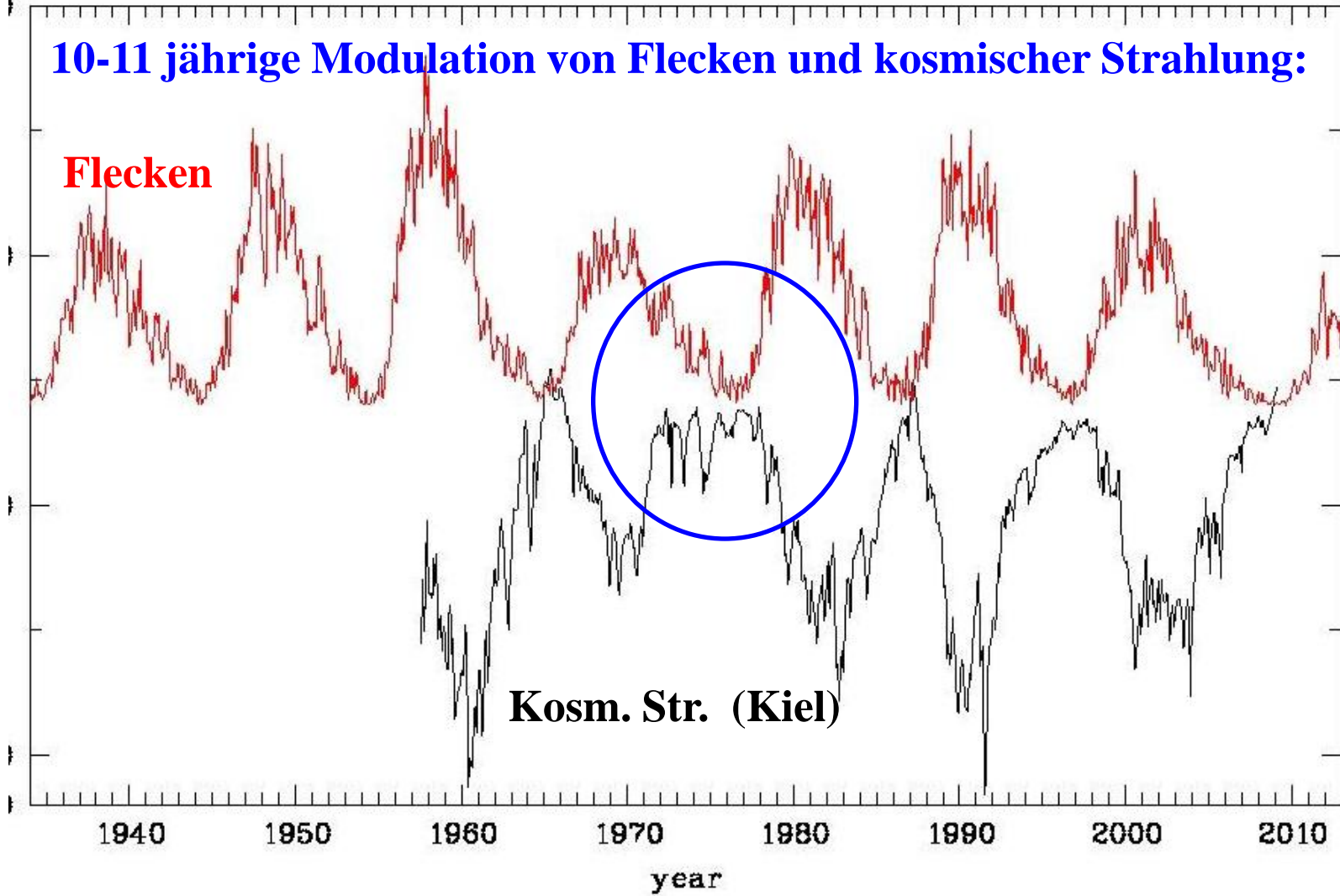
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kommt ins Sonnensystem.

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→ 10-11 jährige Modulation von
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(Schwabe Zyklus)



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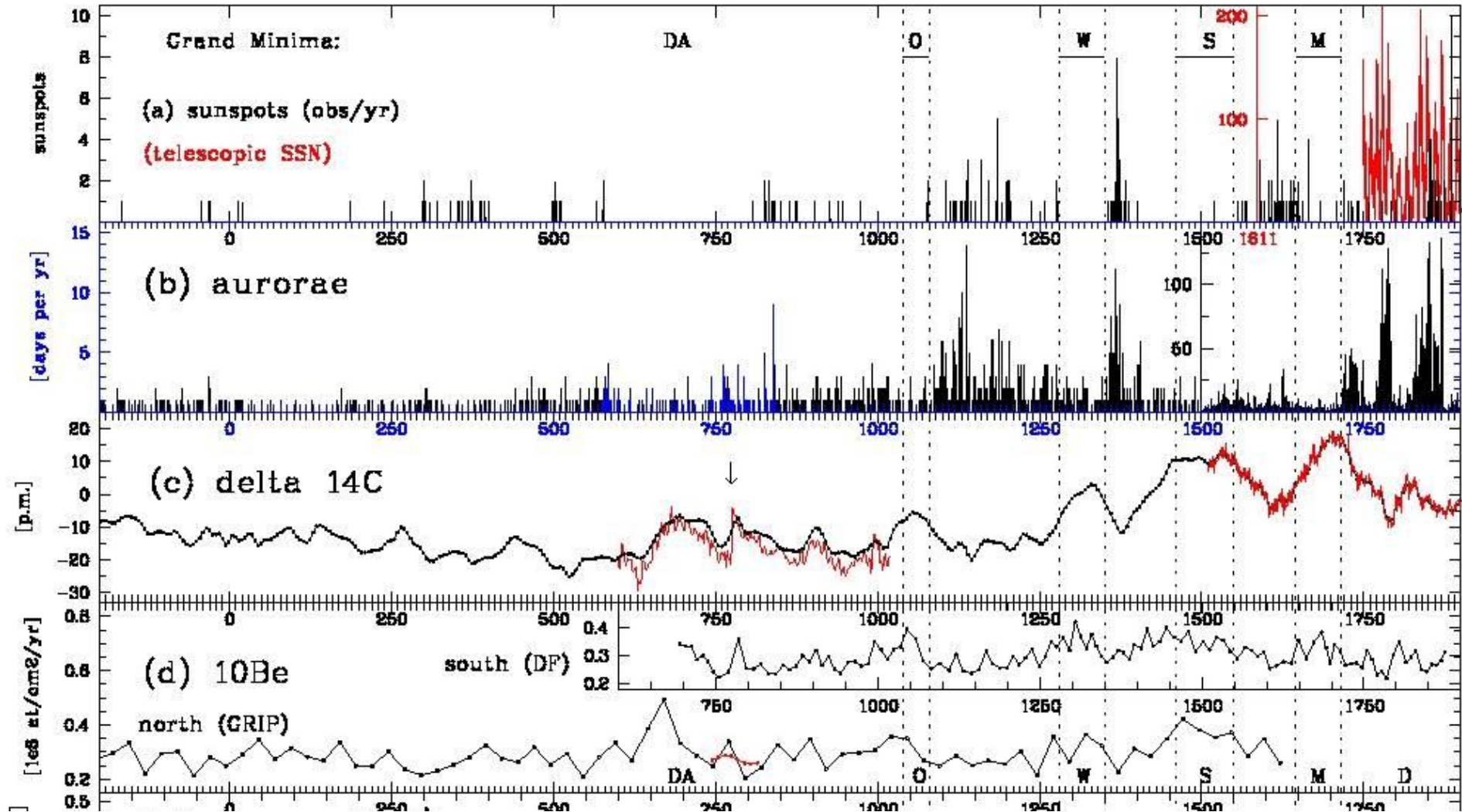
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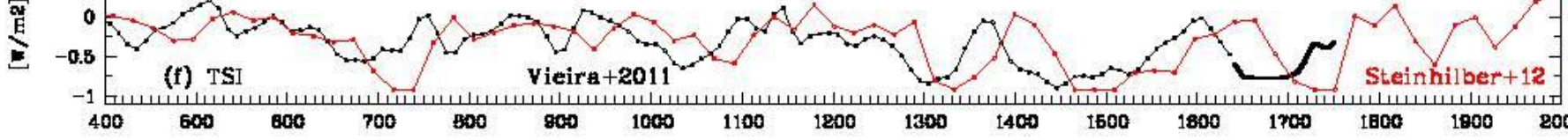
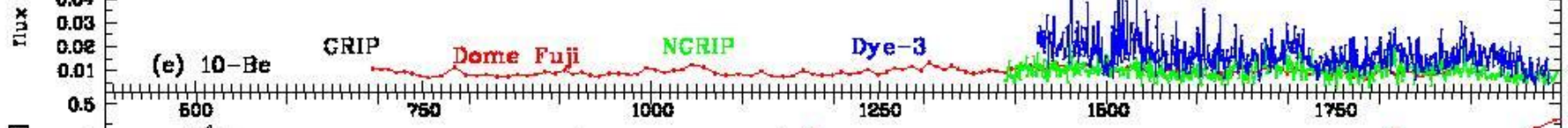
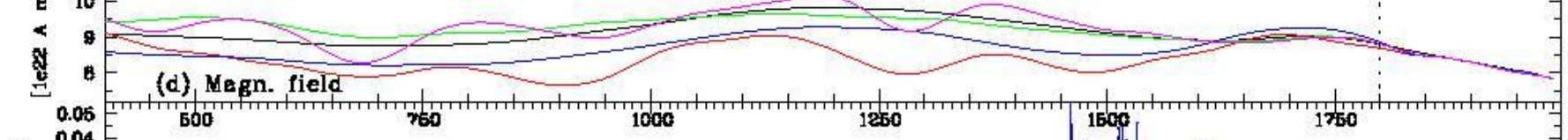
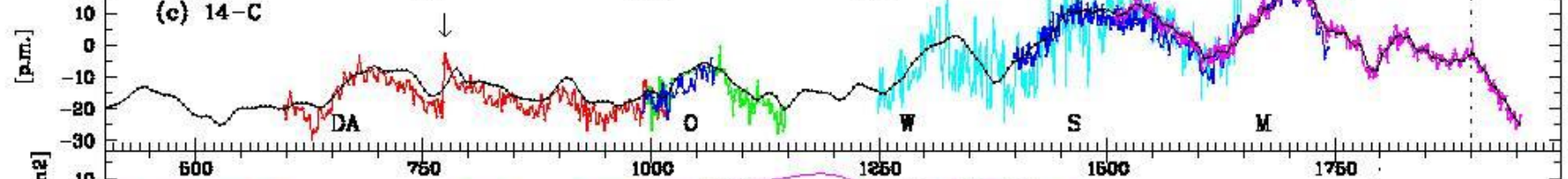
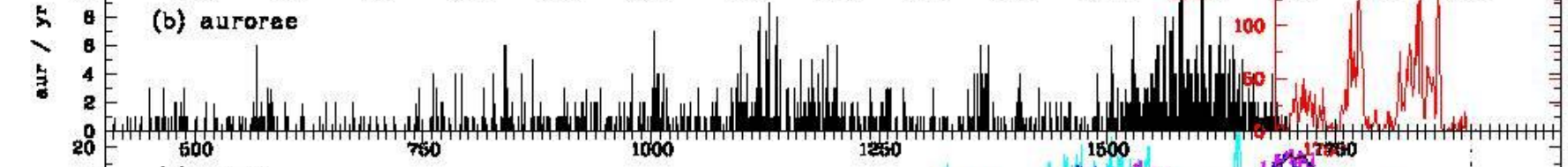
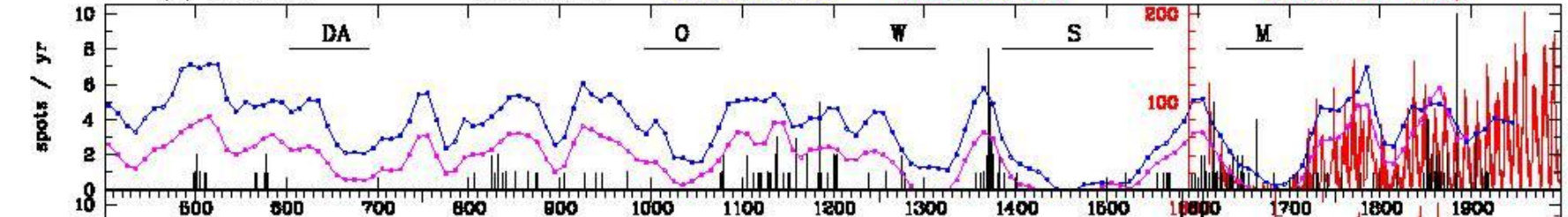
→ 10-11 jährige Modulation von Flecken, Aurorae und kosm. Strahlung.

Wenig Sonnen-Aktivität → wenig Wind → mehr kosm. Strahlung
 → mehr ^{14}C und ^{10}Be

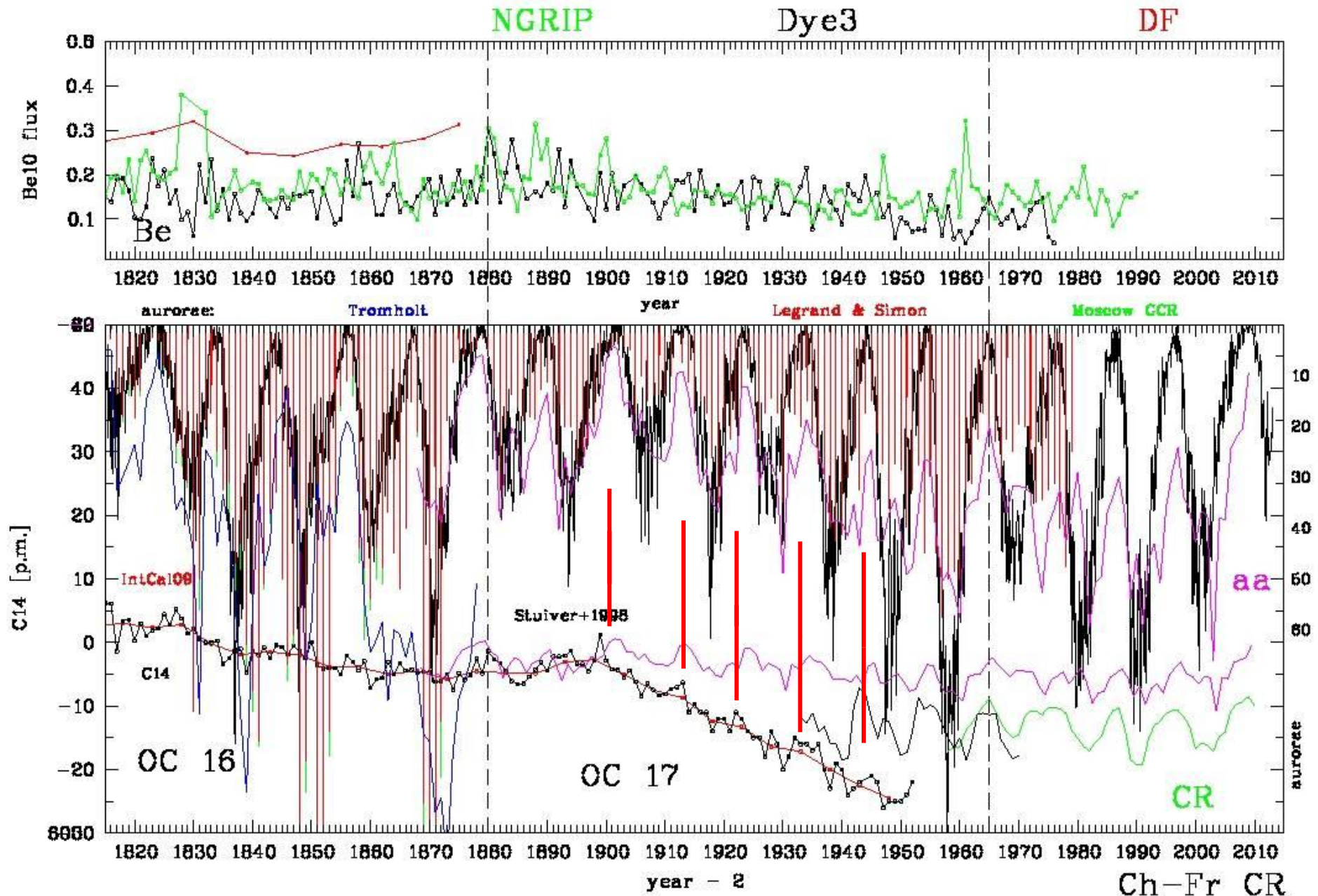
Grand Minima: **Dark Age** **Oort** **Wolf** **Spörer** **Maunder**



(a) sunspots SSN recon: Usoskin+2014 Solanki+2004 (telescopic SSN)

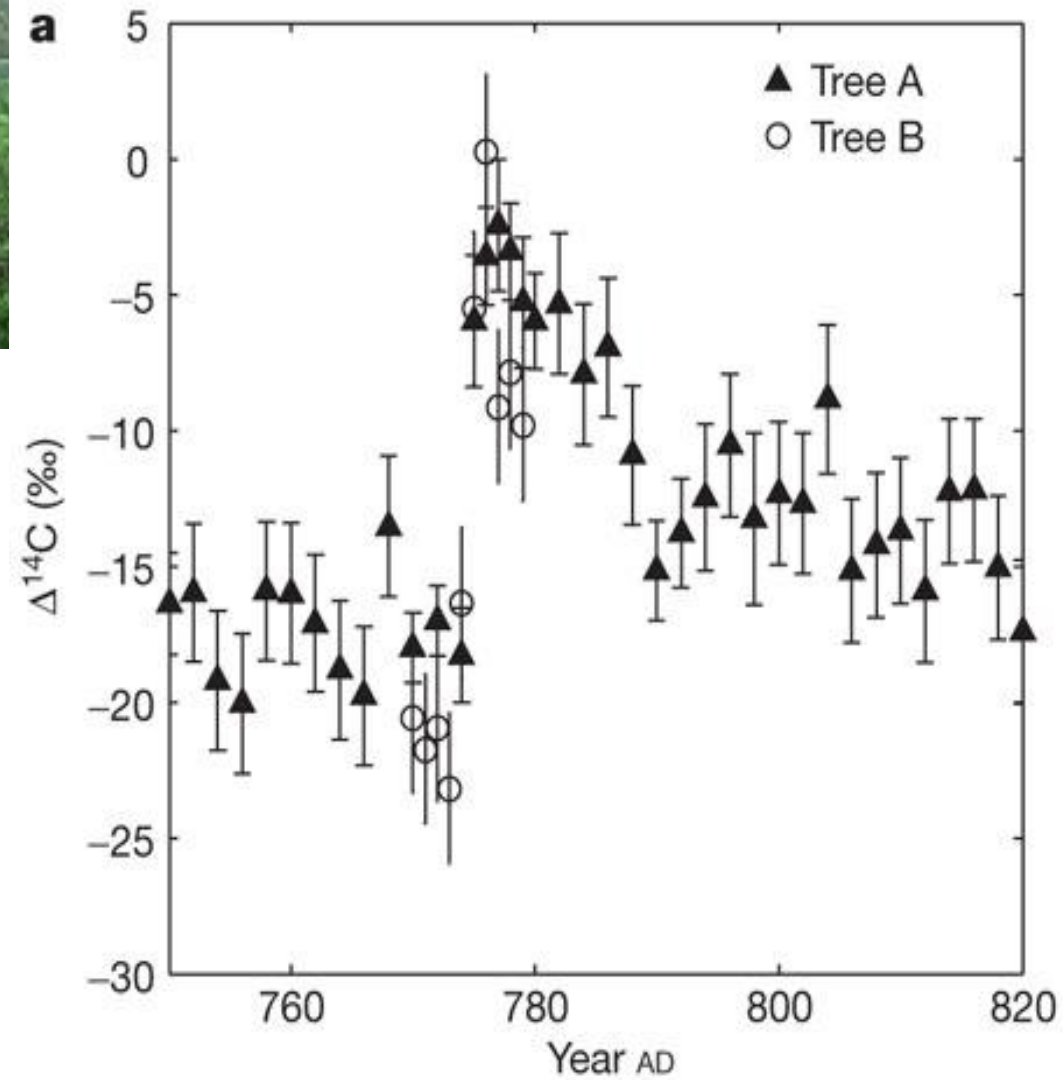


Schwabe-Zyklus bei C-14, Be-10 und kosm. Str. (?)





**Starker Variation
des Radiokarbon (^{14}C)
um AD 775
in japanischen Zedern
(Miyake et al. 2012)**



^{14}C production $Q(t)$

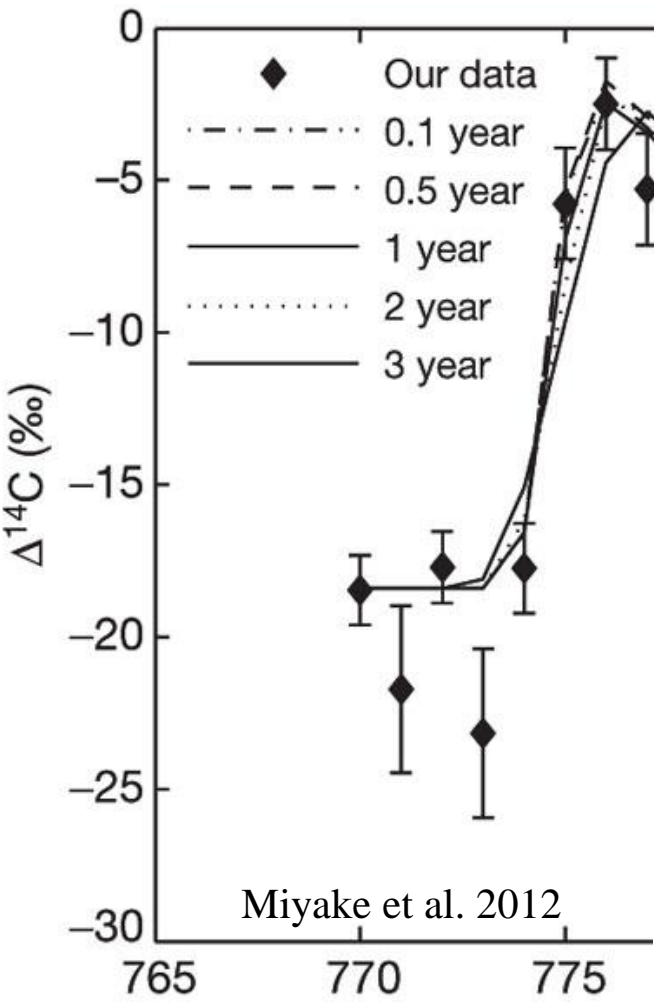
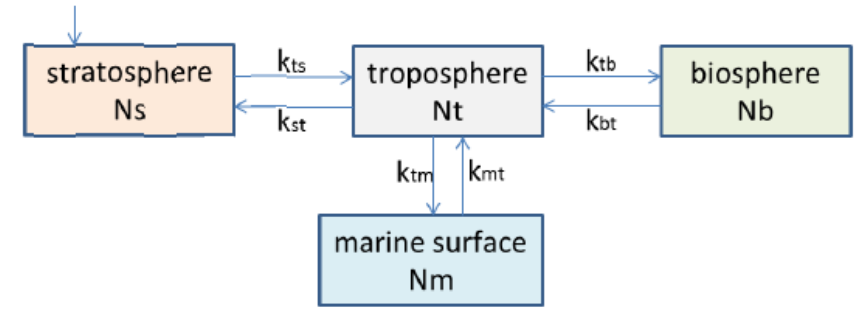


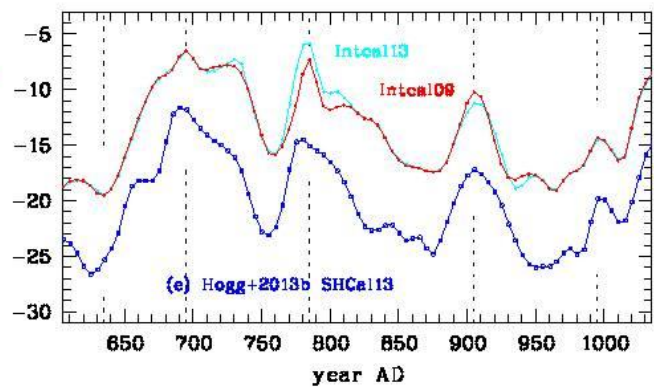
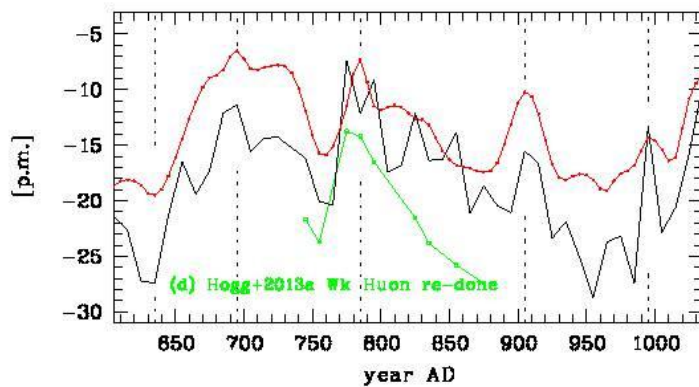
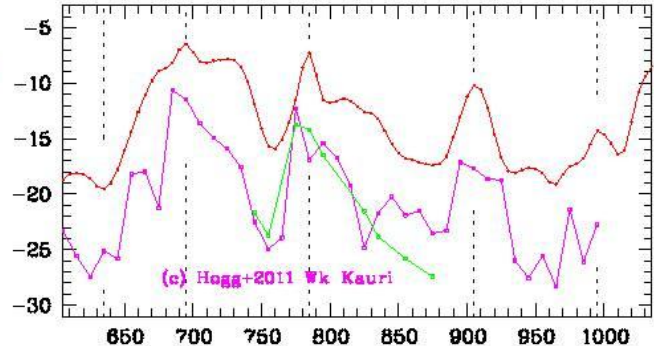
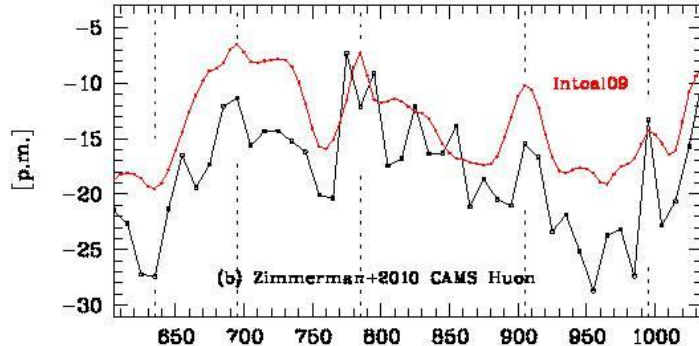
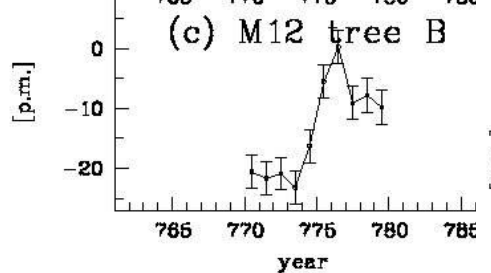
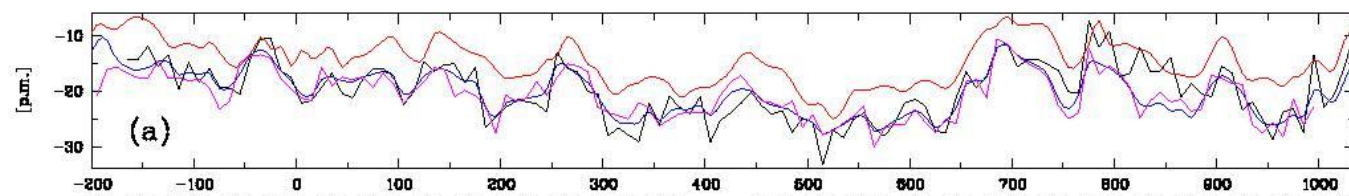
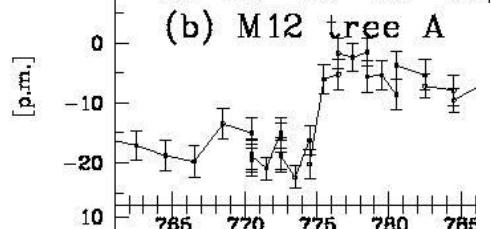
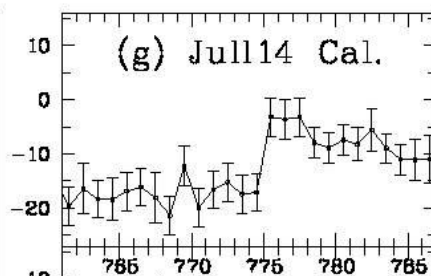
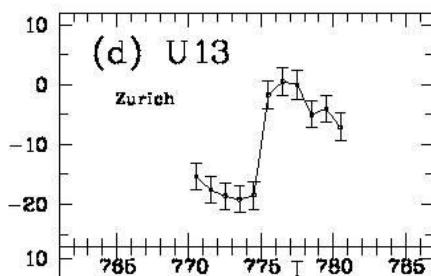
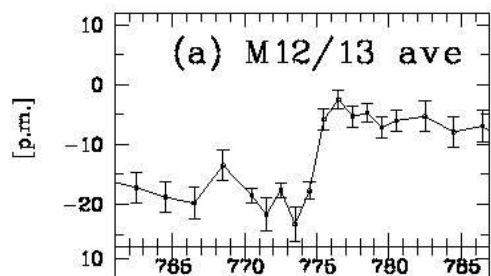
Table.S2 Production rate of ^{14}C and the *reduced* χ -square value

Input period [yr]	Production rate [atom $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$]	<i>reduced</i> χ -squared value
0.1	$1.9 \times 10^2 (\pm 4 \times 10^1)$	0.96
0.5	$3.9 \times 10^1 (\pm 7)$	0.96
1	$1.9 \times 10^1 (\pm 4)$	0.96
2	$9.8 (\pm 2)$	1.1
3	$6.6 (\pm 1)$	1.6

$(7.0 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{24}$ erg γ -Strahlen-Input auf die Erde (oberhalb 10 MeV)

oder

$(8 \pm 2) \times 10^{25}$ erg (Protonen-Input) als solare Protonen (2×10^{35} erg auf der Sonne)



Was war die Ursache ?

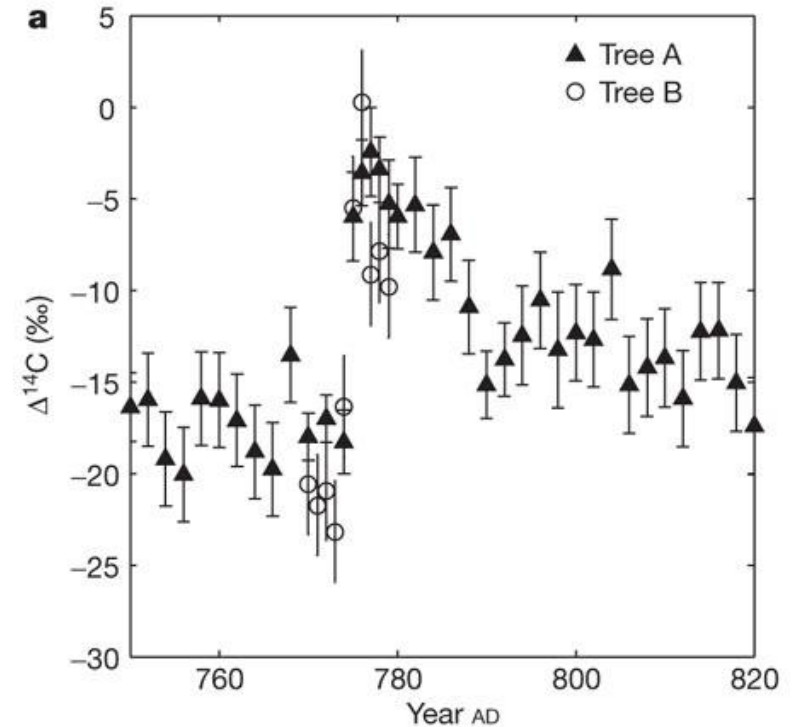
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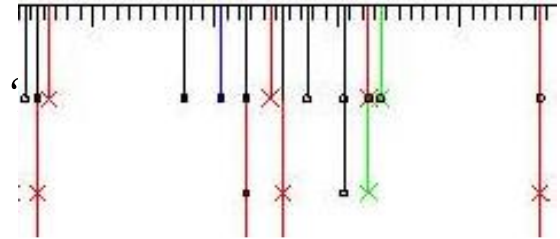
Candidate Aurorae in the 770s:

770 Jun 20, Xian, China: “In the **NW**, a white vapour extended across the sky.”
(Keimatsu) N=1, moon's last quarter Jun 20/21, possible aurora (?)

770 Jul 20, Xian, China: “A white vapour appeared in the **NW** direction. It extended across the sky.” (Keimatsu), N=1, moon's last quarter Jul 2, possible aurora (?)

772 Sep 29, Ireland: “The assembly of the hand-clapping at which occurred lightning and thunder like the day of judgment. The hand-clapping on St Michael's Day 29 Sep which called **fire from heaven**.” (Usoskin)

N=2, new moon Oct 1, very possible aurora or thunderstorm



772 summer, Amida, Turkey: “Another sign appeared in the **northern** side ... a **red sceptre**, a **green** one, a black one, and a **yellow** one ...

it would change into 70 shapes.” (Dall’Olmo)

N=3, probable aurora, between 771 Oct and 772 Sep at corn harvest: summer 772

773 June, Amida, Turkey: “The sign that was seen a year ago in the **northern** region was seen again in this year ... a **red ray**, a **green** one ...” (Dall’Olmo)

N=3, probable aurora, between 772 Oct and 773 Sep in Haziran: 773 June

(next 786)

**Chronik von Zuqnin
aus Amida (= Diyarbakır, Türkei),
beendet AD 775/6,
auf Alt-Syrisch (Palimpsest)**

An einem Freitag im
Sommer AD 772



Und an einem Freitag
im Juni AD 773

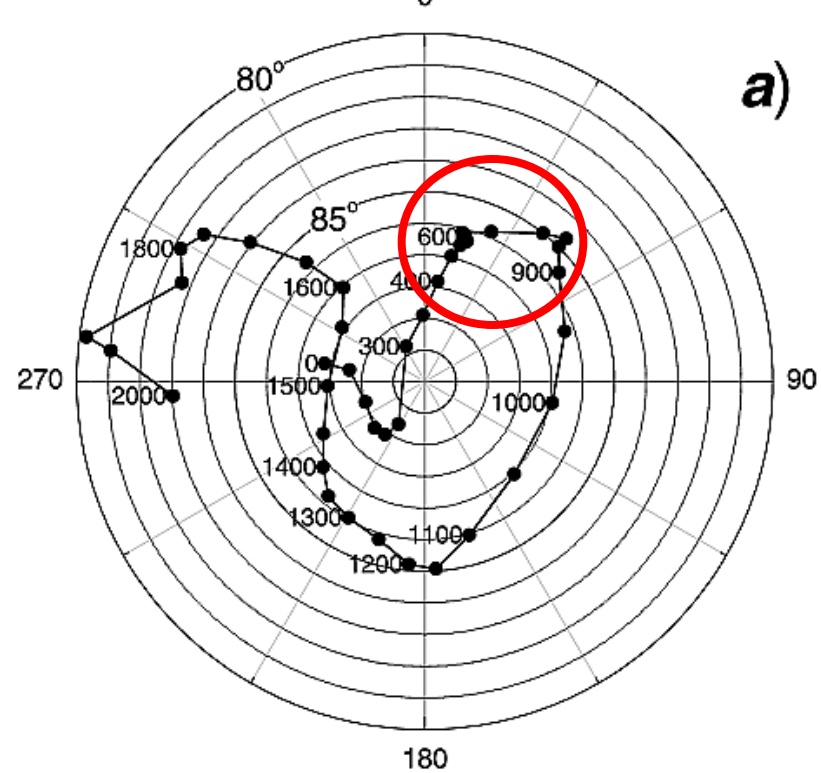
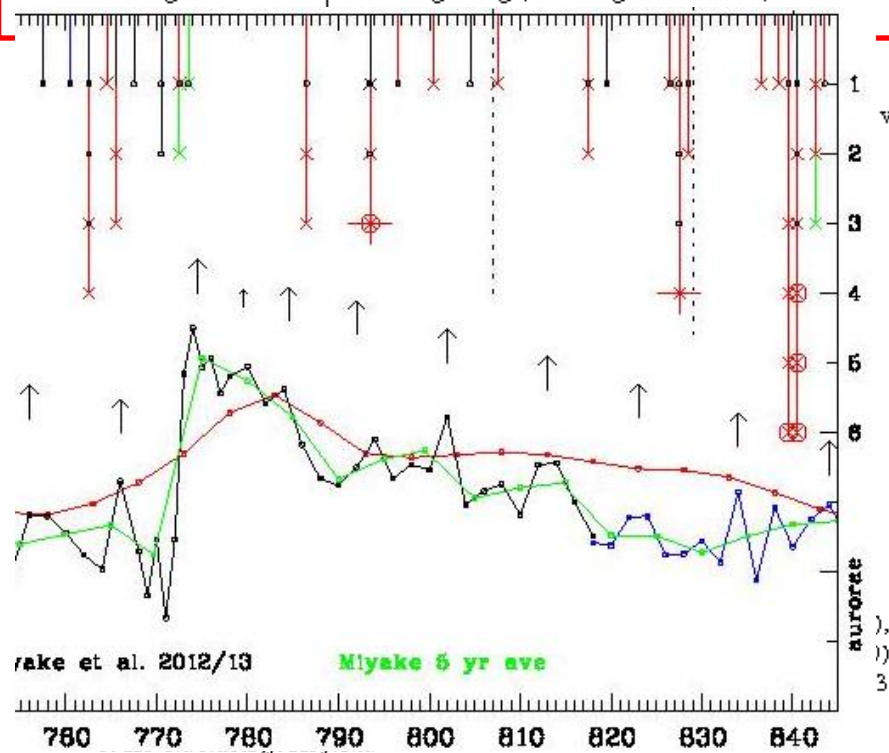
772: Ein anderes Zeichen erschien im Norden ...
das war sein Anblick: Ein roter Strahl, ein grüner,
ein schwarzer und ein gelber. Es bewegte sich vom
Boden nach oben: Sobald ein Strahl niederging,
stieg ein anderer auf. Während es beobachtet wurde,
gab es 70 Veränderungen.



Aurora sightings from AD 575 to 841

N: number of criteria for aurorae fulfilled. Fully independent events are separated by full horizontal lines. See text for details. References at bottom of table.

Year	location	reported text (original language or remark from lit. in brackets) [our comment]	N	Ref.	their sources
793	Arabia	In this year (177 hidschra, i.e. 793 Apr 18 - 794 Apr 6), according to what al-Waqidi has mentioned, there occurred a (violent) wind, and overshadowing (of the heavens) and a redness (in the sky), on the night of Sunday (i.e. the night of Saturday-Sunday, but actually Monday), the 26th of al-Muharram (793 May 13). Then there was a further overshadowing (of the heavens) on the night of Wednesday (i.e. the night of Tuesday-Wednesday), the 28th of al-Muharram (793 May 15), and then a violent wind and intense overshadowing of the heavens on Friday (actually Sunday), the 2nd of Safar (793 May 19). [very probable, new moon May 14/15, solar eclipse on May 14 in America, aurorae May 13-19]	4	NN	Bosworth 1989 f. al-Tabari
793	Europe	F73: large (Gross) [source not found, potential, maybe same as next]	0	F73	Schäningh
793	Northumbria, England	In this year terrible portents appeared over Northumbria, and miserably frightened the inhabitants: these were exceptional high winds and flashes of lightning, and fiery dragons were seen flying in the air. A great famine soon followed these signs; and a little after that in the same year on 8 Jan, the harrying of the heathen miserably destroyed God's church in Lindisfarne by rapine and slaughter. [event with <i>heathen</i> men was first viking attac to England AD 793 Jun 8 according to Simeon of Durham; hence, the date given above in the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle text (Jan 8) is wrong, correct date is Jun 8] [very possible]	2	J70	Anglo-Saxon C.
793	England	S84: ca. AD 793 aurorae are seen in N Europe (fiery flying dragons and rain of blood)		S84	
793	England	terrific lightnings, and dragons in the air, and strokes of fire			



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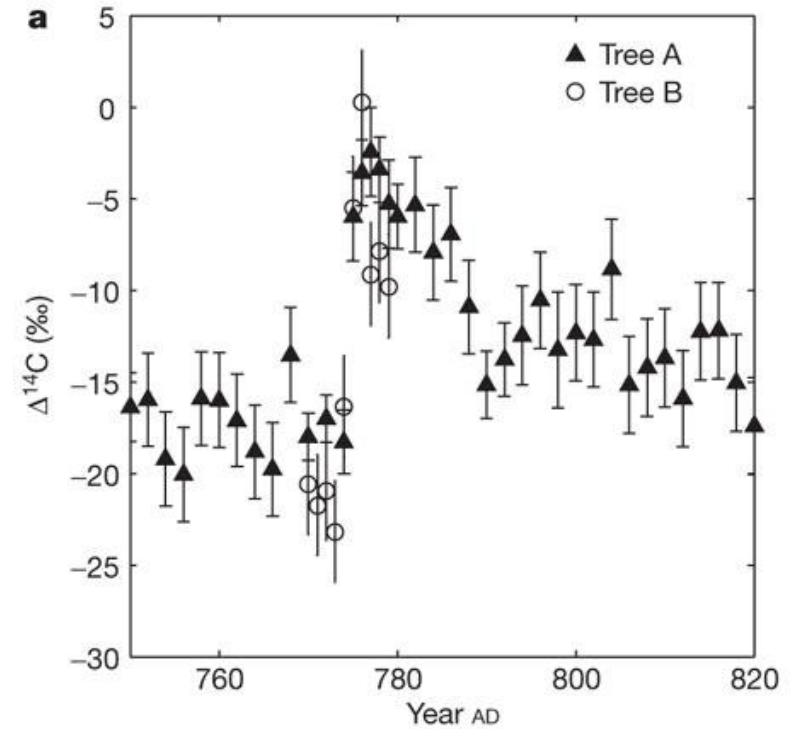
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Miyake et al. 2012

In very cold spring and summer, some trees do not form a new tree ring (Mann et al. 2012 Nat. Geosc.)

Tree rings and volcanic cooling

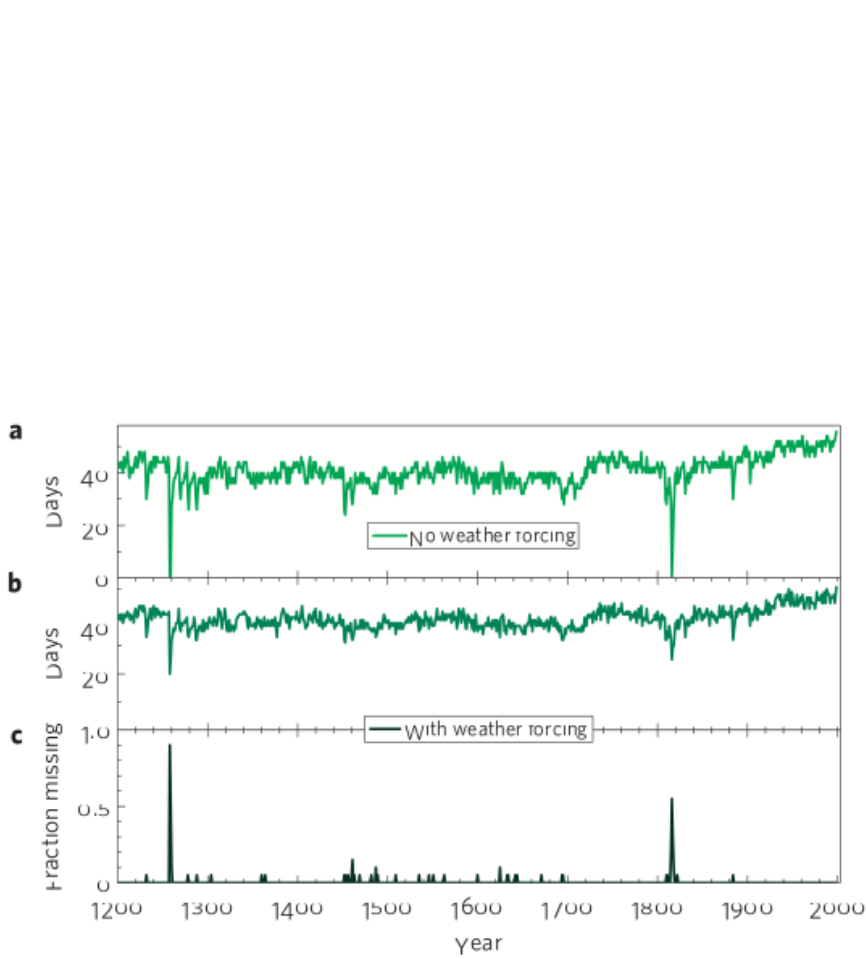
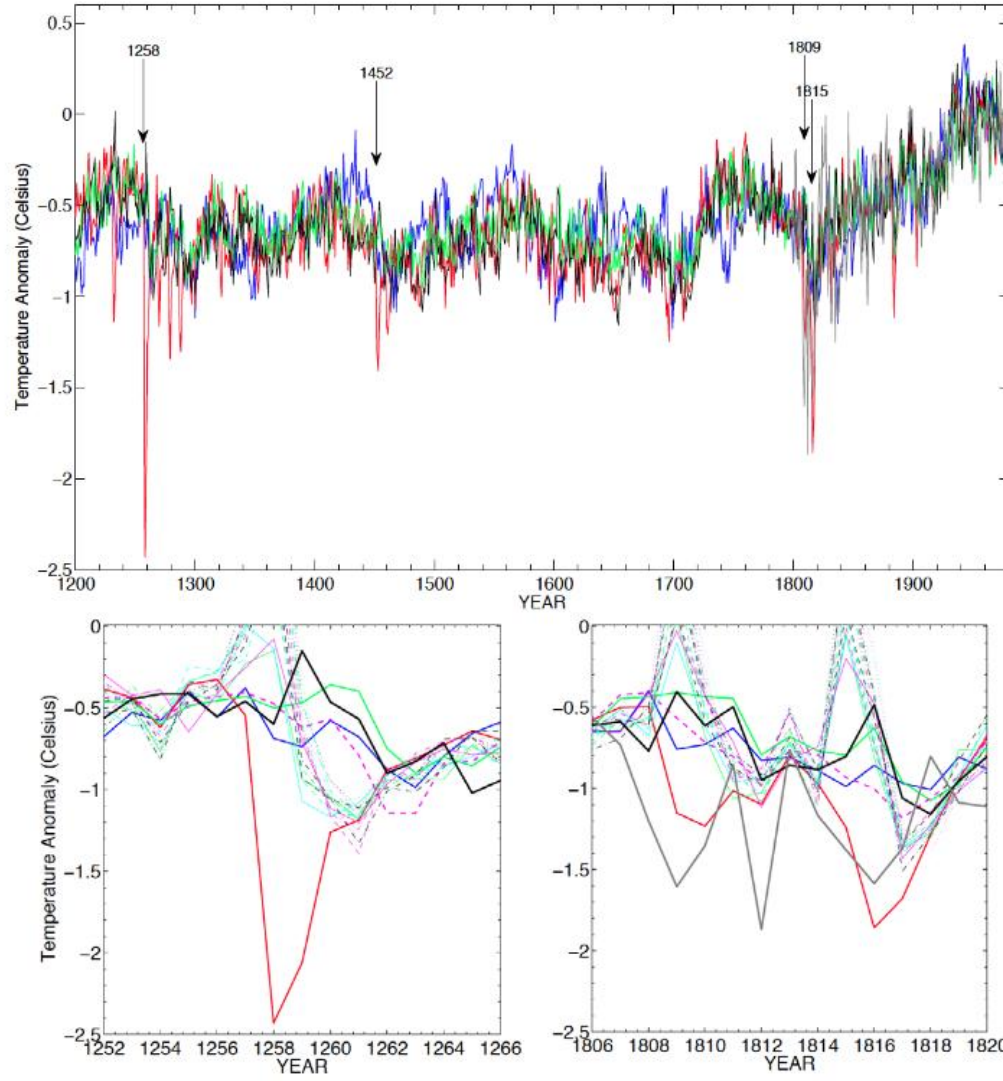


Figure 3 | Growing-season statistics. a, b, Estimated average length of the growing season (number of days or non-zero growth) based on the biological growth model driven by the GCM simulation without stochastic weather forcing (a) and with stochastic weather forcing (b). **c,** For the latter case, the fraction of the 20 regional series for which we infer a 'missing ring' for each year.



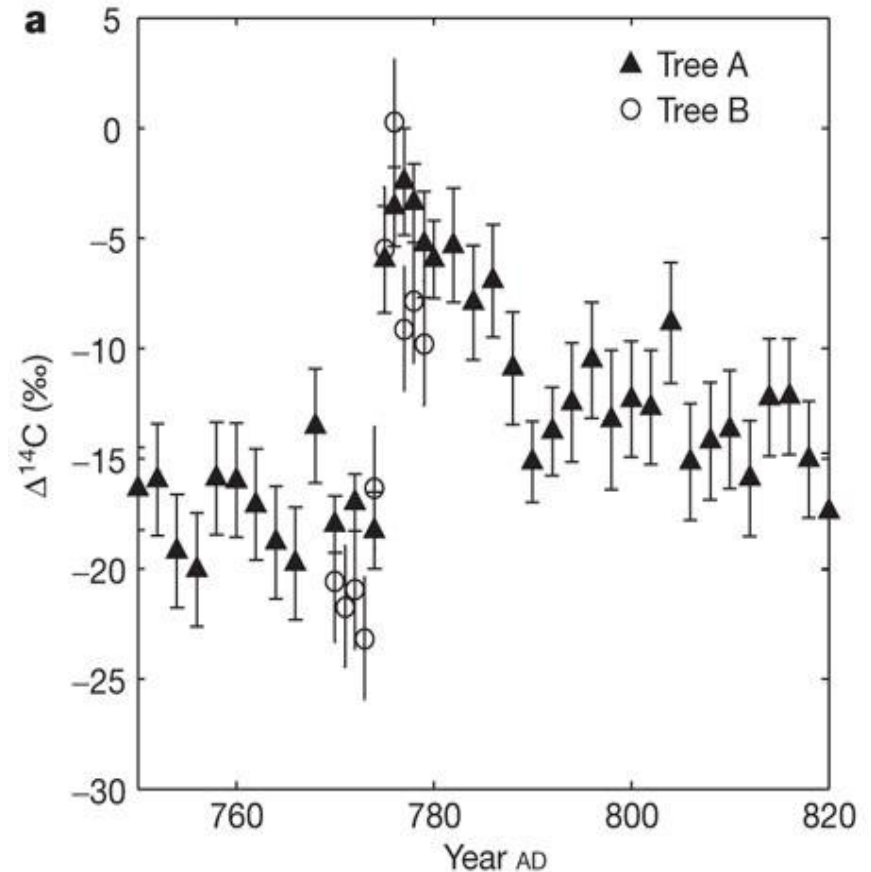
Difference in dating,
if no tree ring was formed
in 1 to few years ?!

Event was earlier (772 / 773)

Difference in dating,
if 2 tree rings were formed
within one year ?!

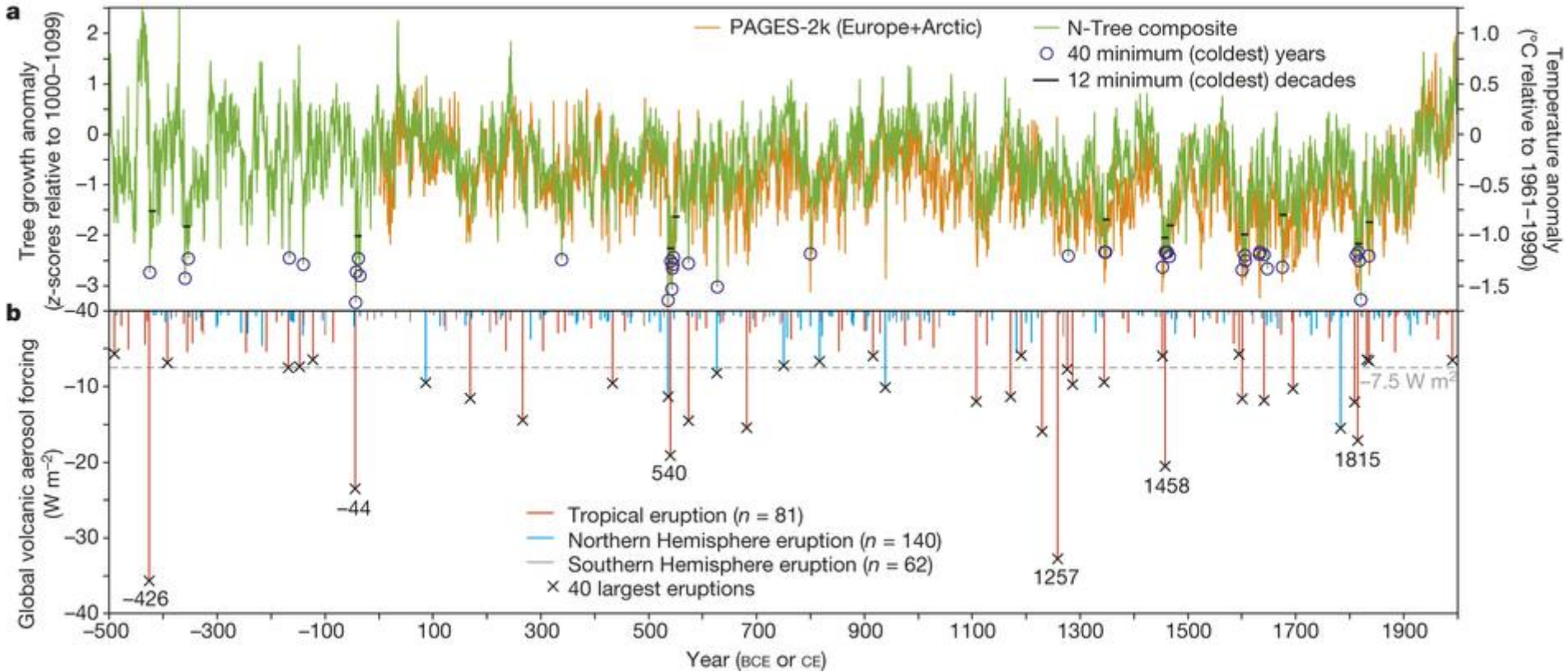
Event was later (776 / 777 ...)

Short rise (7σ) within 1 yr

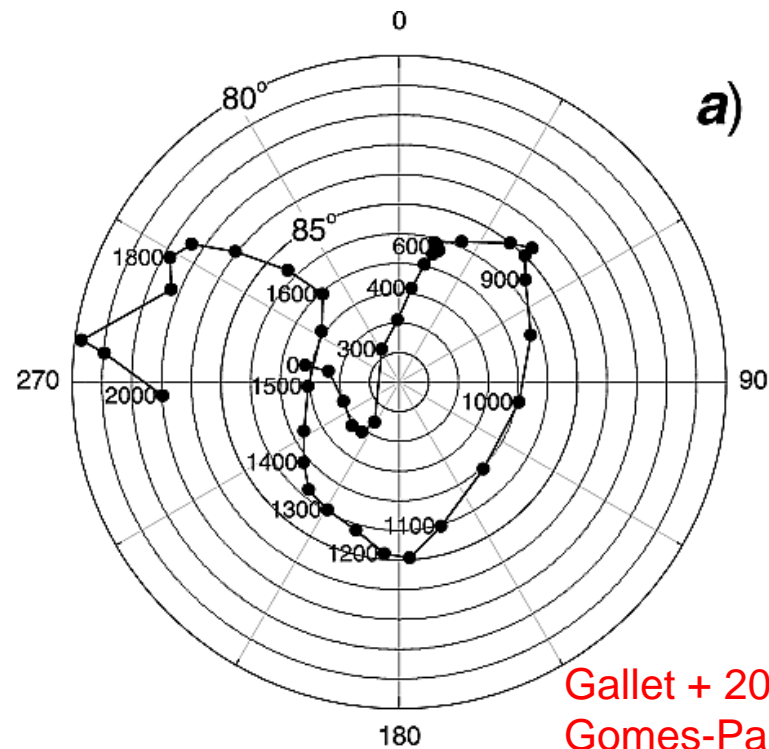


Or even no event at all (if no tree rings were formed in the years before the apparent spike)

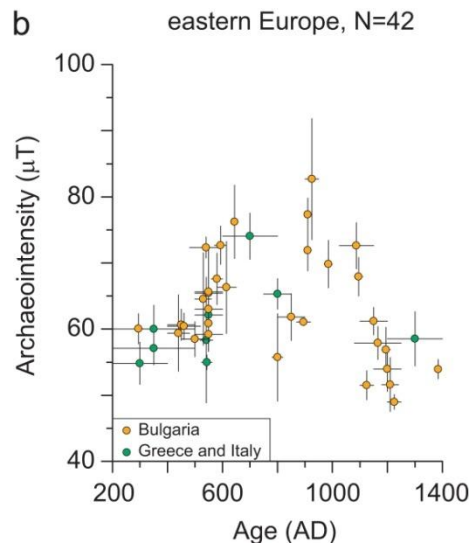
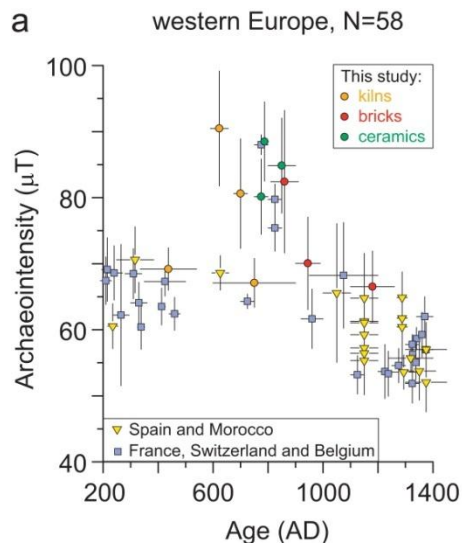
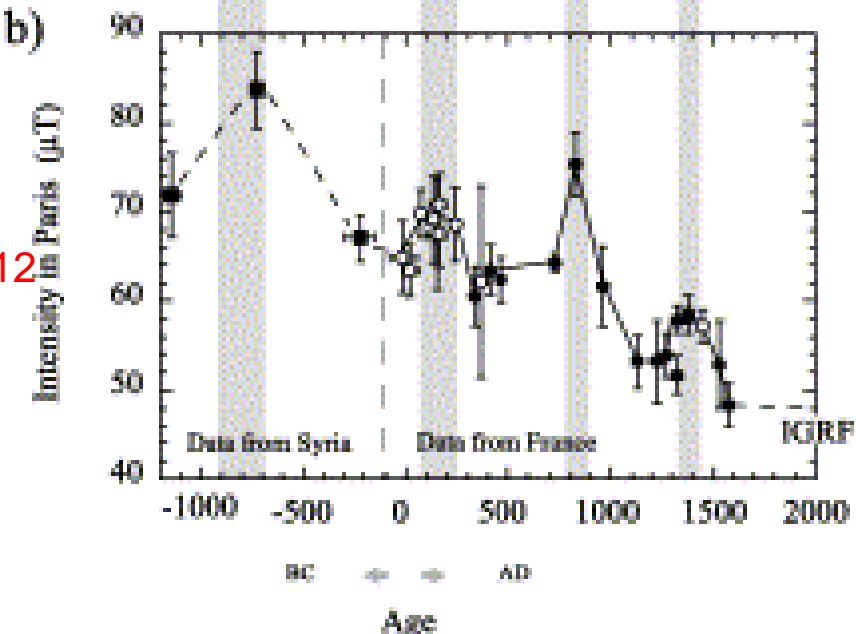
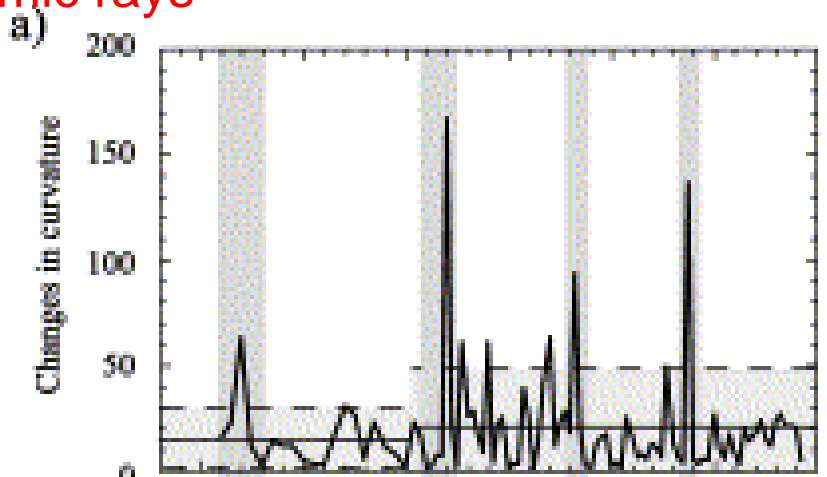
Volcanic eruptions during the Dark Ages



Geomagnetic field: shields Earth from cosmic rays

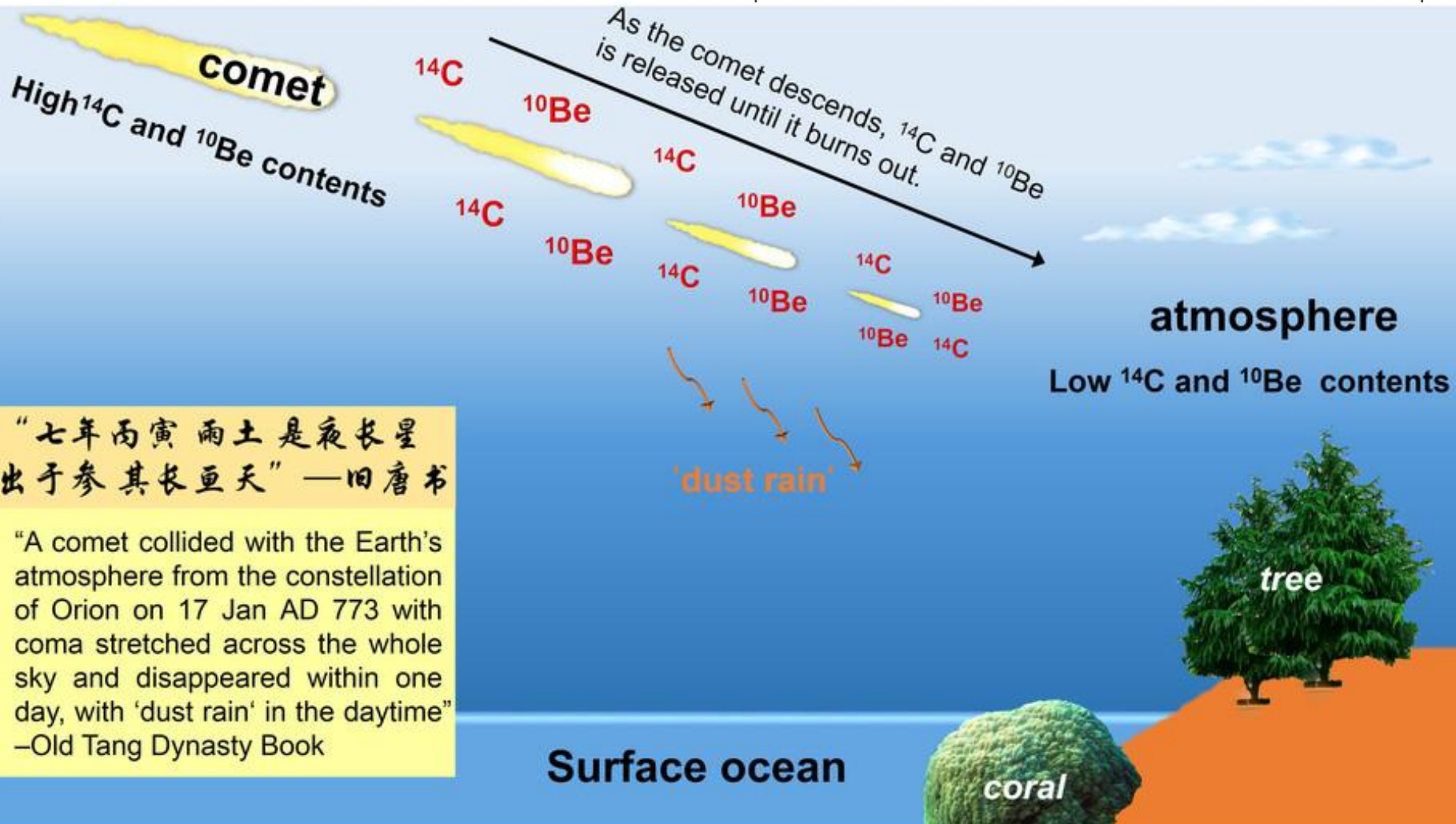
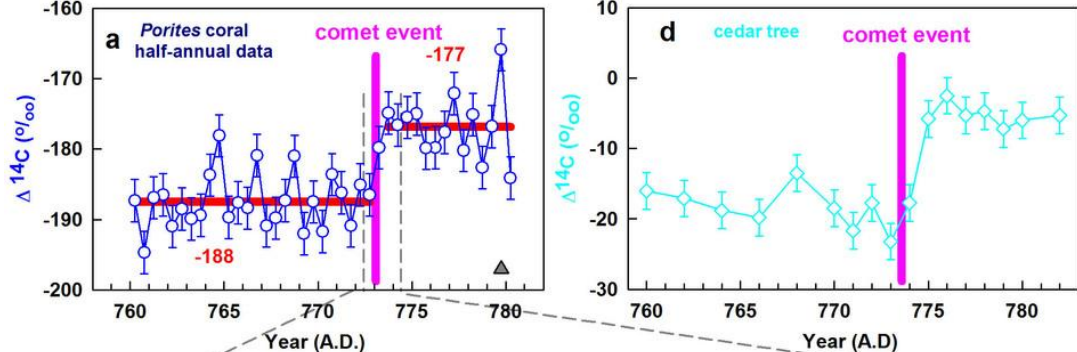


Gallet + 2006
Gomes-Paccard + 2012



Around AD 800: Large directional change, broad peak, and deep short minimum → Relation to cosmic-ray peak ?

Liu et al. (2014 Nat SR):
Kometeneinschlag

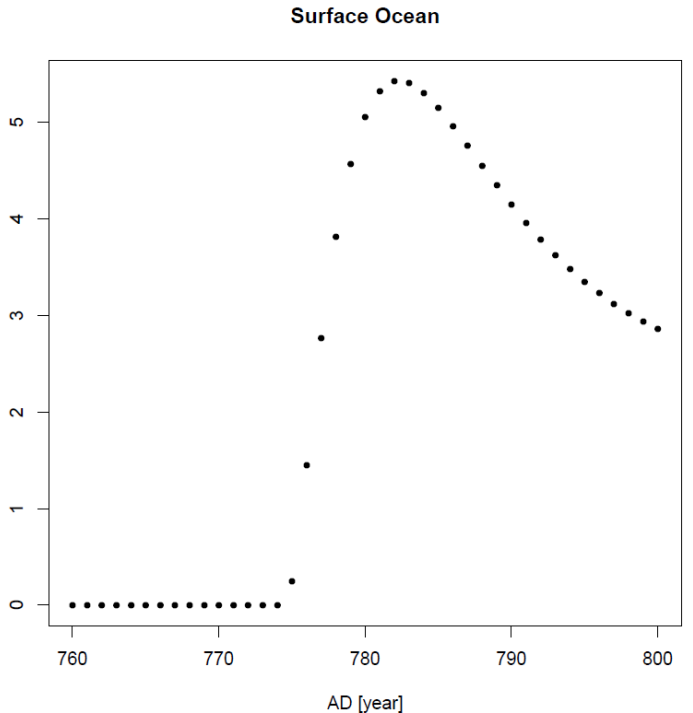
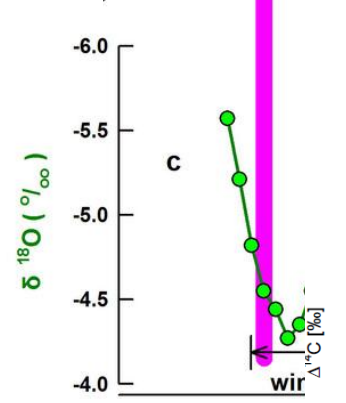
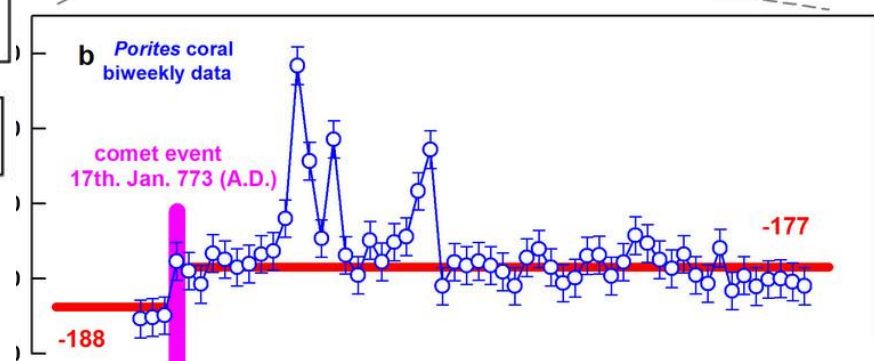
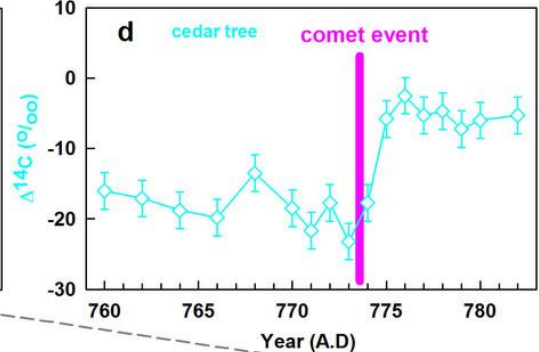
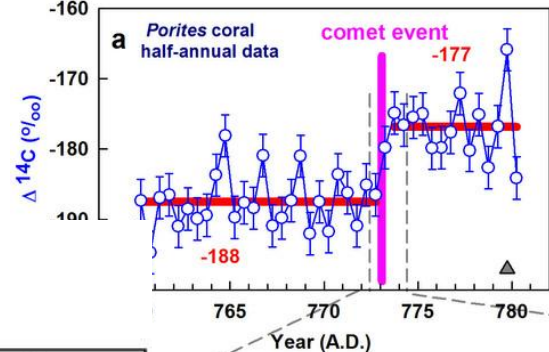
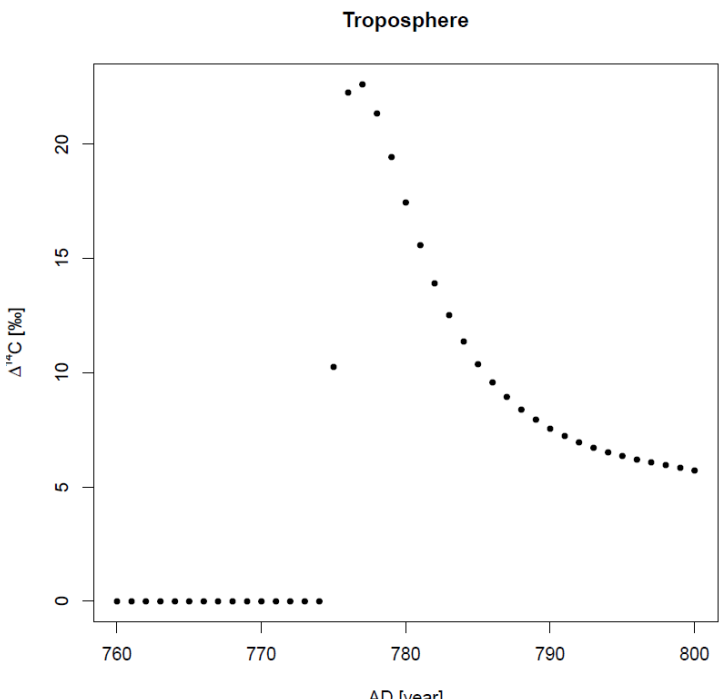
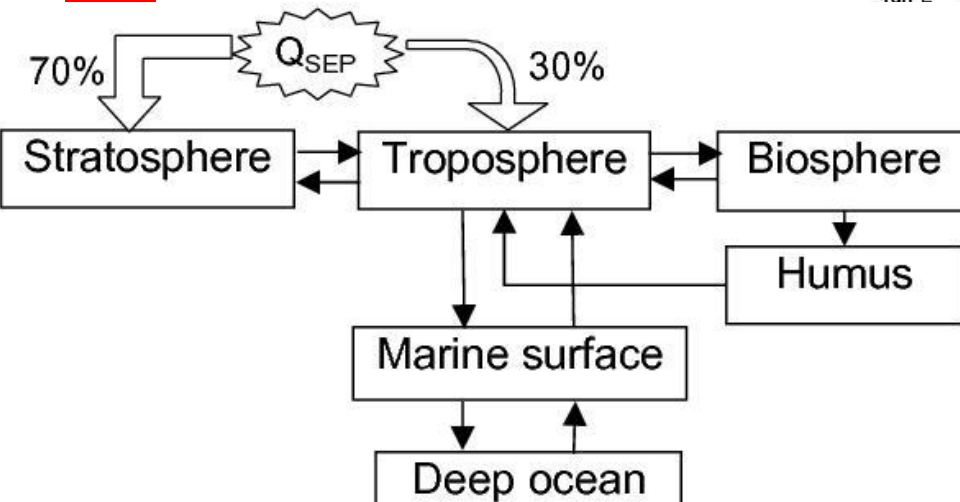


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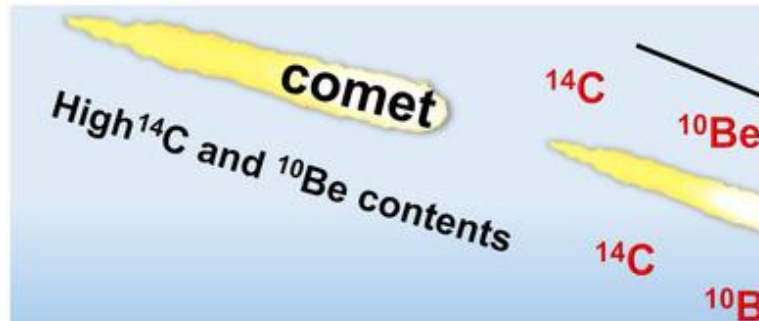


Liu et al. (2014 Nat SR), **but:**

True Chinese text reads:

On 773 Jan 17 it rained down dust, and there was a long star that emerged beneath Orion. Its length traversed the sky. Long stars belong to the class of comets.

(observed later also in Japan)



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The strong ¹⁴C increase in the year AD 774/5 detected in one German and two Japanese trees was recently suggested to have been caused by an impact of a comet onto Earth and a deposition of large amounts of ¹⁴C into the atmosphere (Liu et al. 2014). The authors supported their claim using a report of a historic Chinese observation of a comet ostensibly colliding with Earth’s atmosphere in AD 773 January. We show here that the Chinese text presented by those authors is not an original historic text, but that it is comprised of several different sources. Moreover, the translation presented in Liu et al. is misleading and inaccurate. We give the exact Chinese wordings and our English translations. According to the original sources, the Chinese observed a comet in mid January 773, but they report neither a collision nor a large coma, just a long tail. Also, there is no report in any of the source texts about *dust rain in the daytime* as claimed by Liu et al. (2014), but simply a normal dust storm. Ho (1962) reports sightings of this comet in China on AD 773 Jan 15 and/or 17 and in Japan on AD 773 Jan 20 (Ho 1962). At the relevant historic time, the Chinese held that comets were produced within the Earth’s atmosphere, so that it would have been impossible for them to report a *collision* of a comet with Earth’s atmosphere. The translation and conclusions made by Liu et al. (2014) are not supported by the historical record. Therefore, postulating a sudden increase in ¹⁴C in corals off the Chinese coast precisely in mid January 773 (Liu et al. 2014) is not justified given just the ²³⁰Th dating for AD 783 ± 14.

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Liu Xu 劉詢, *The Old History of the Tang Dynasty (Jiu Tang shu 舊唐書)*

- (1) 十二月丙寅，雨土。是夜，長星出於參。
- (2) 十二月甲子，太白入羽林。丙寅，雨土，是夜，長星出于參。

Ouyang Xiu 歐陽修, *The New History of the Tang Dynasty (Xin Tang shu 新唐書)*

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Wang Pu 王溥, *Essential Records of the Tang Dynasty (Tang Hui yao 唐會要)*

- (5) 七年十二月二十日，長星見。

Ma Duanlin 馬端臨, *Comprehensive Investigation of Historical Documents (Wenxian tongkao 文獻通考)*

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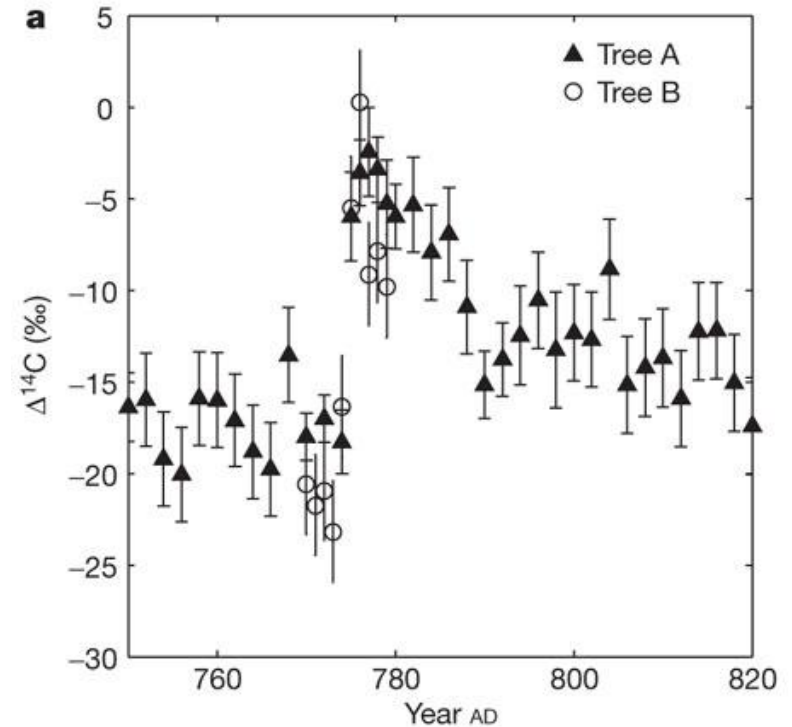
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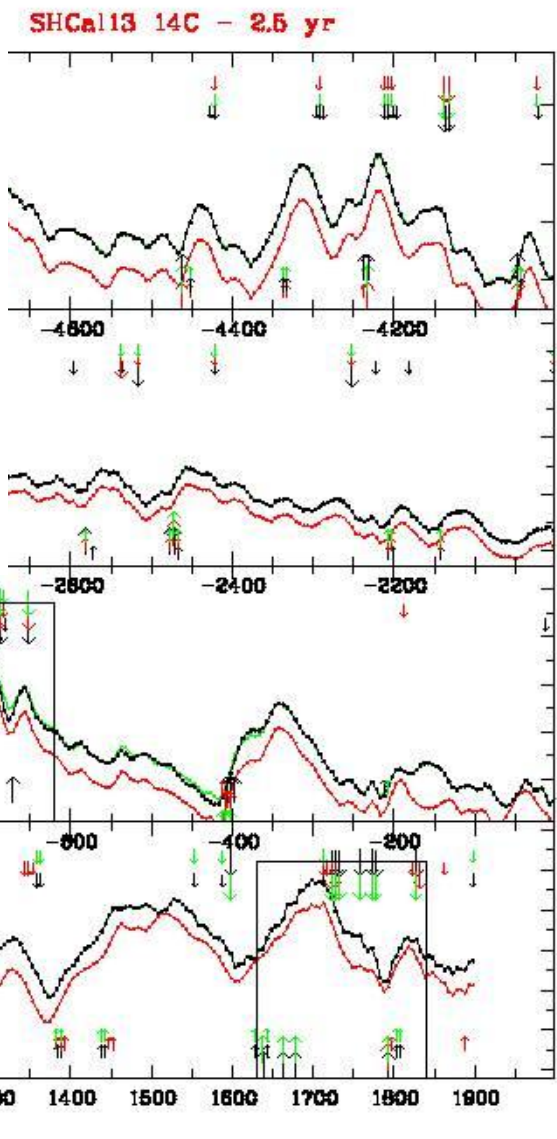
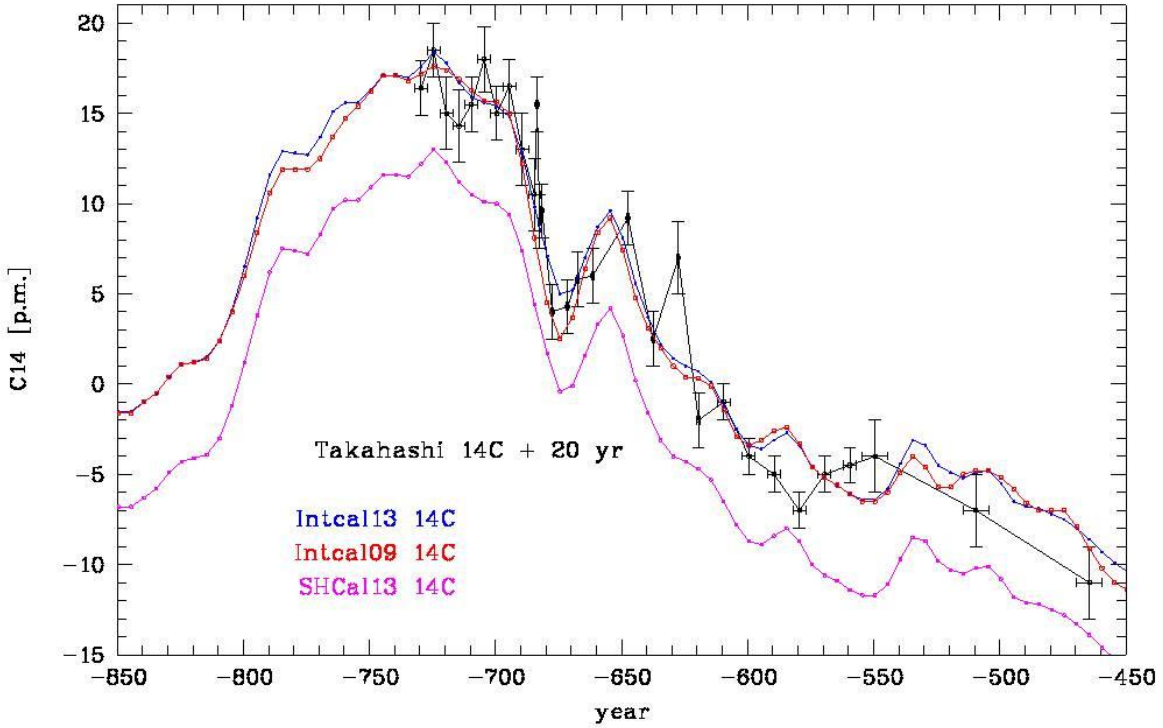
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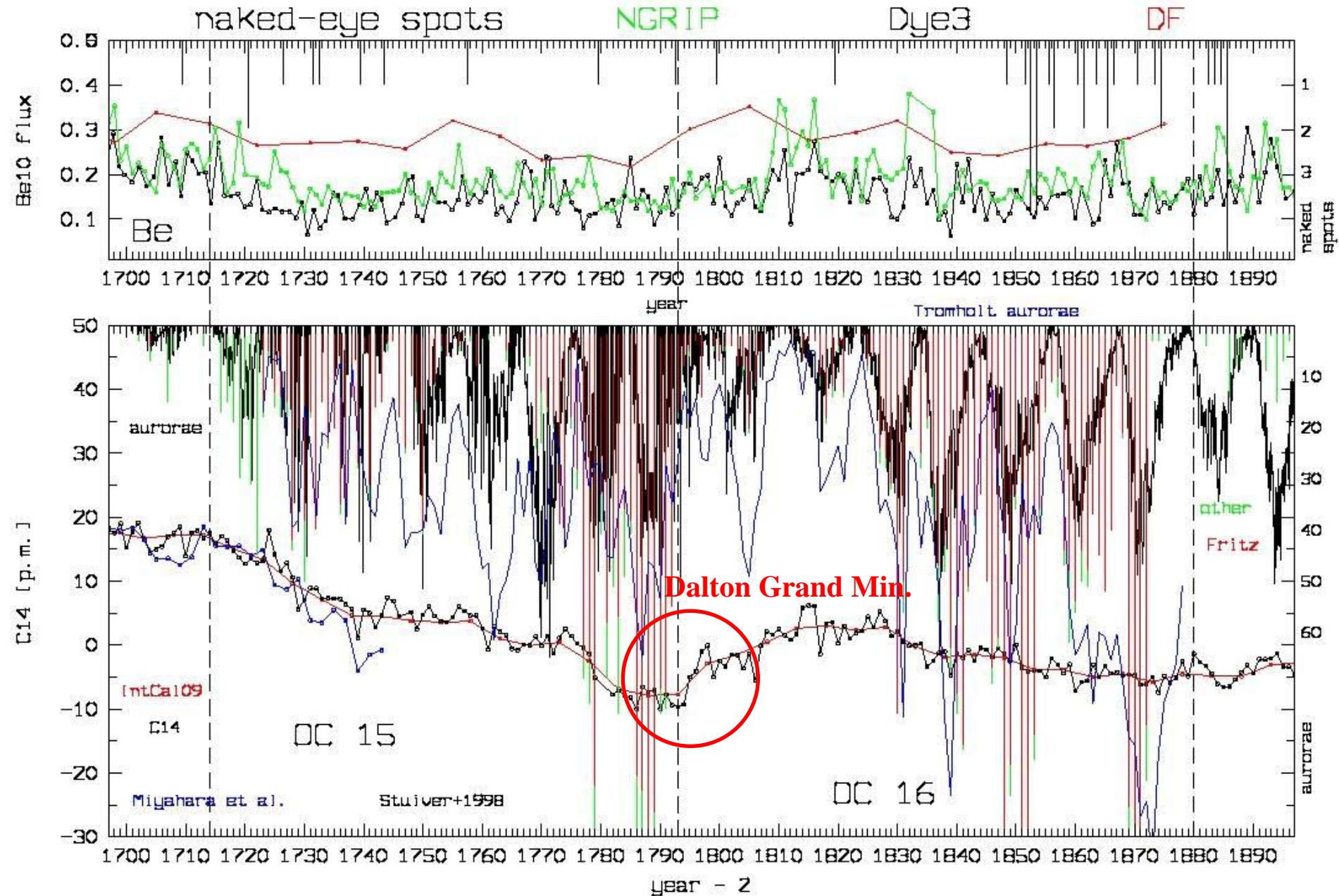
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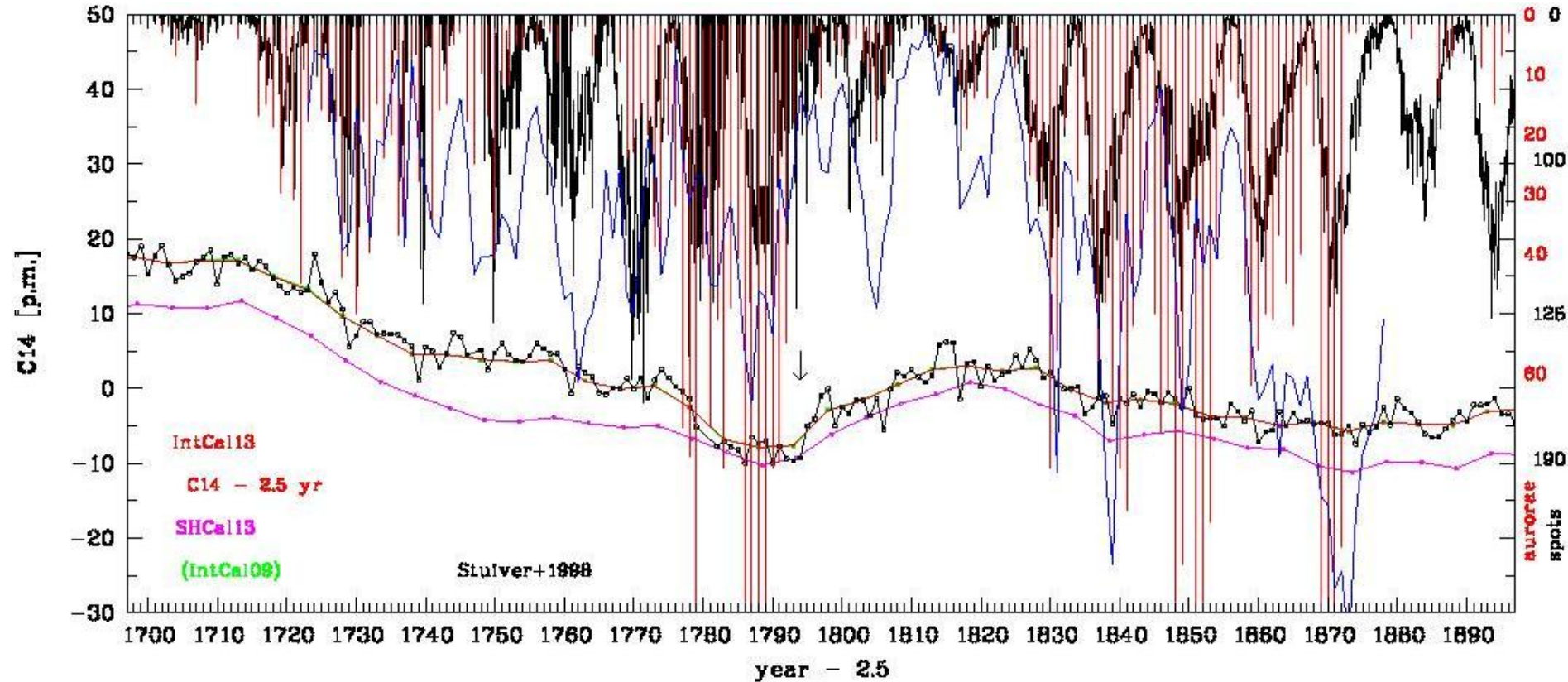
AD 1700 – 1900



Maunder Minimum ended AD 1712/15.

Aurora level increases from cycle minimum to minimum.

sunspots, aurorae (Tromholt, Fritz), ^{14}C



- (1) At the end of the Grand Maximum (~1790) → low ^{14}C level
- (2) Decline of strong Schwabe cycle no. 4 (~ 1793) → ^{14}C rises
- (3) Weak activity in Dalton (~1800-1830) → ^{14}C level high

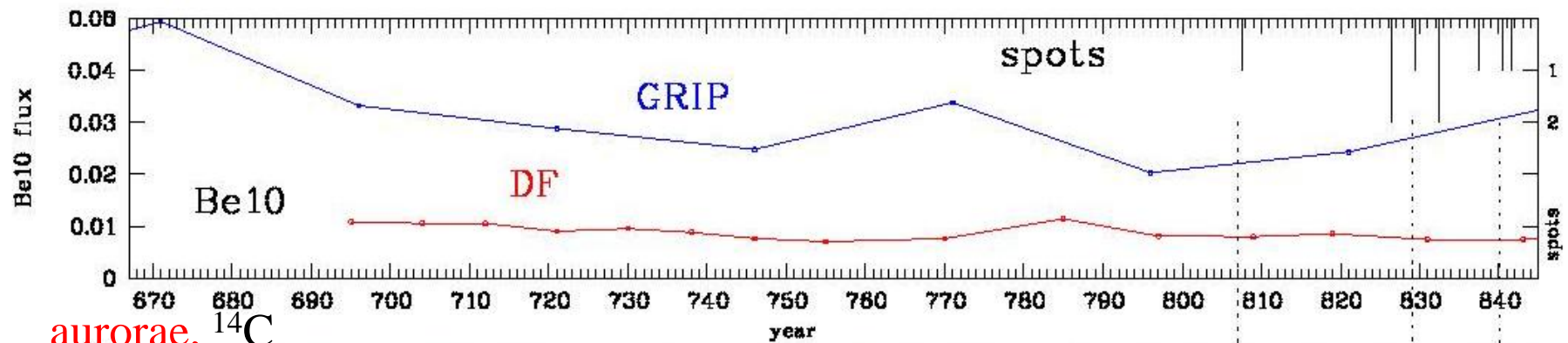
Maunder Minimum ended AD 1712/15.

Aurora level increases from cycle minimum to minimum.

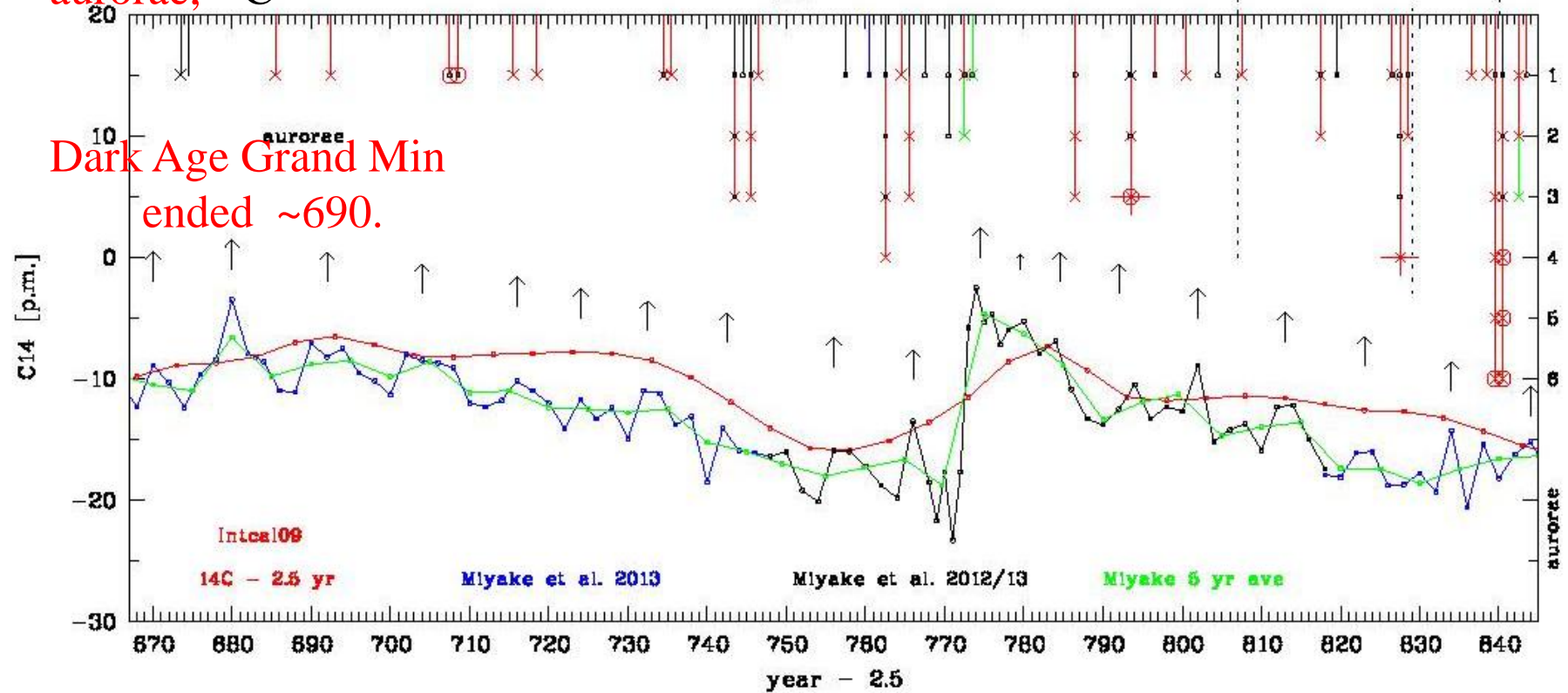
sunspots, **aurorae**, ^{14}C

Same around AD 774/5 ?

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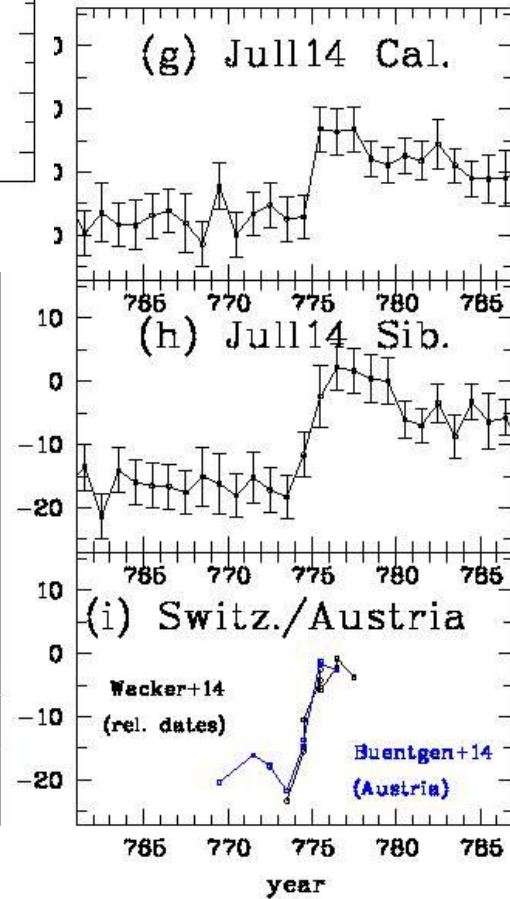
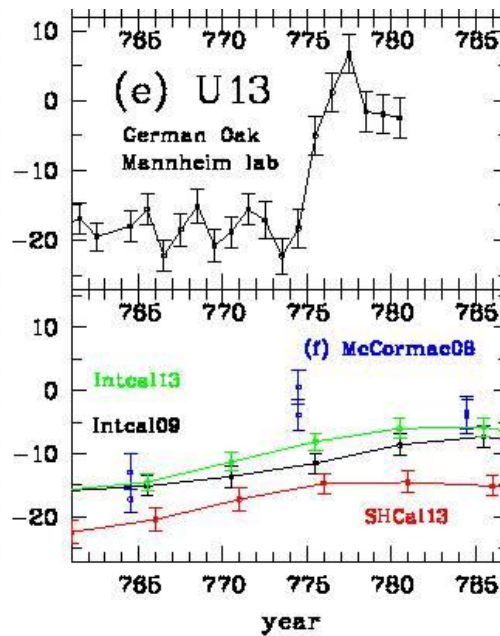
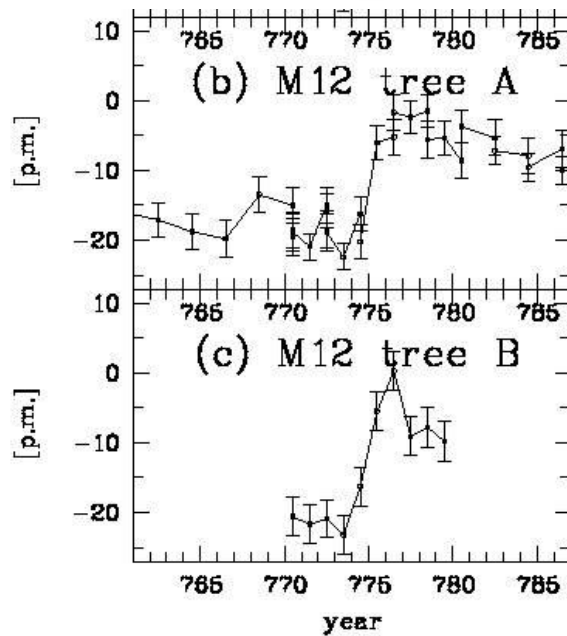
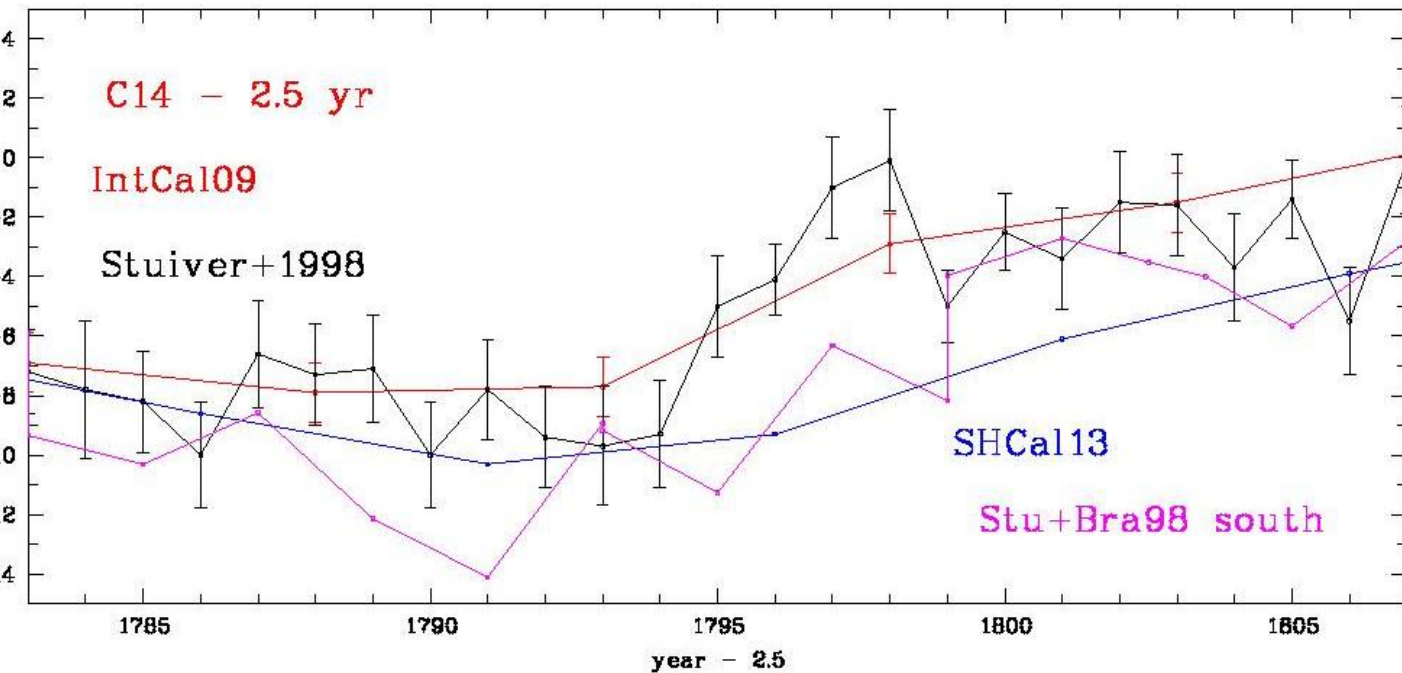


aurorae, ^{14}C



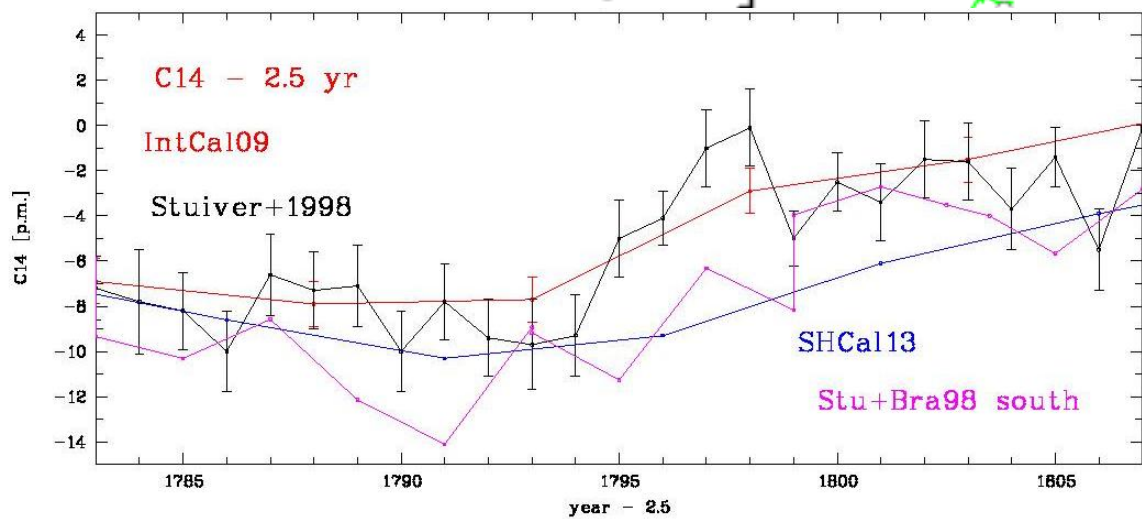
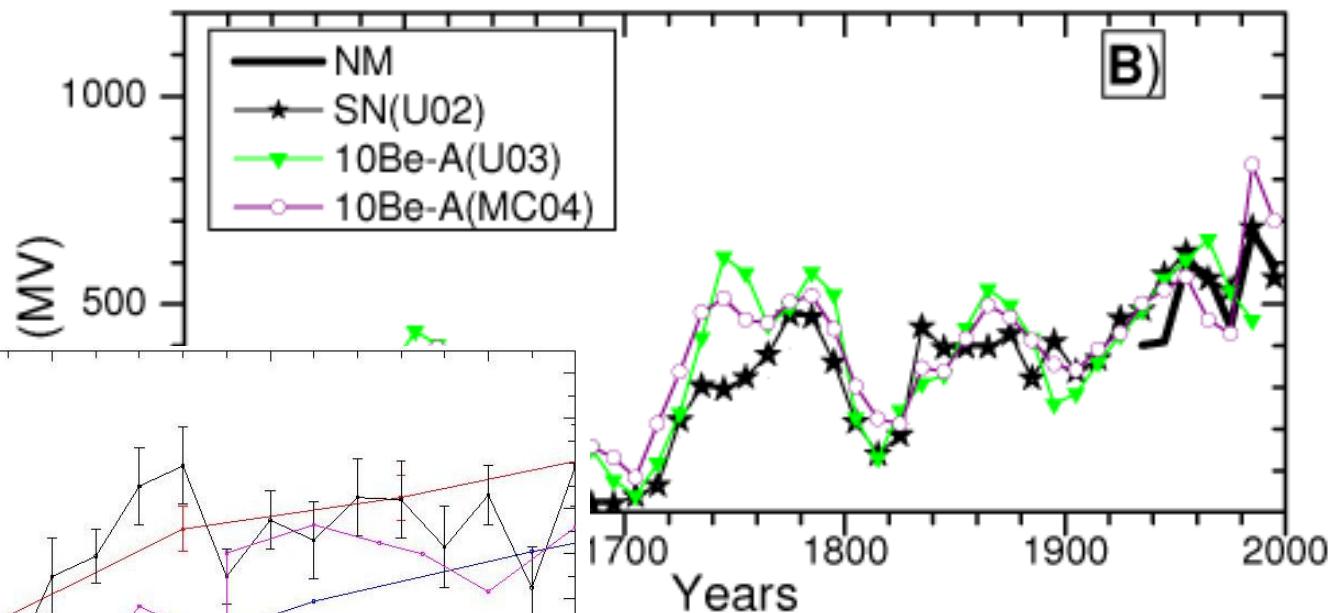
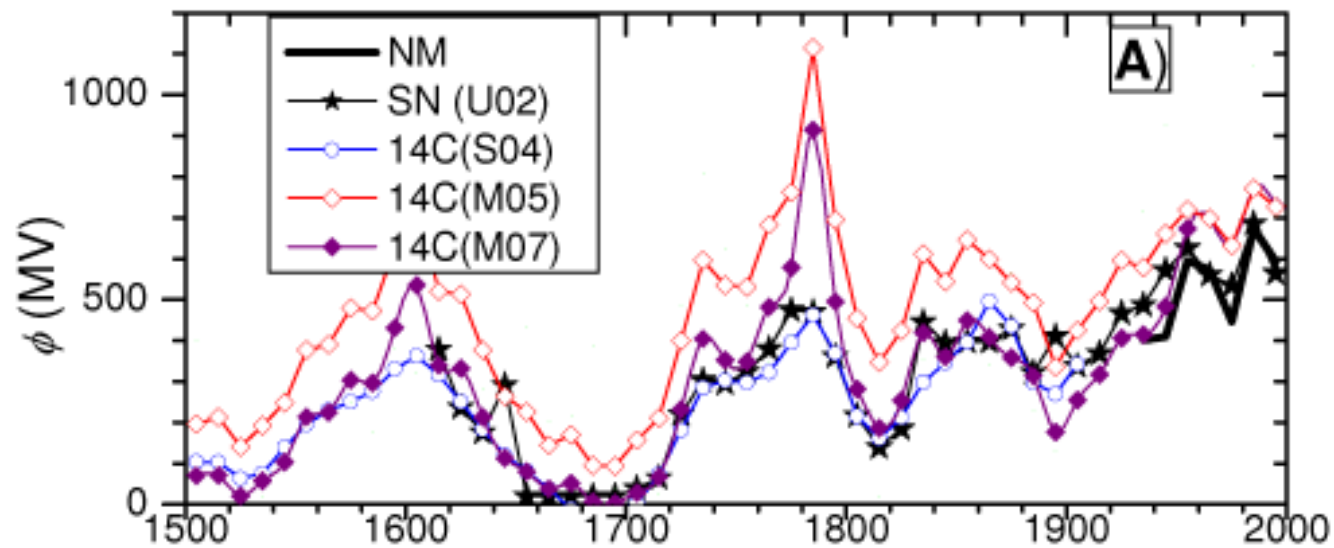
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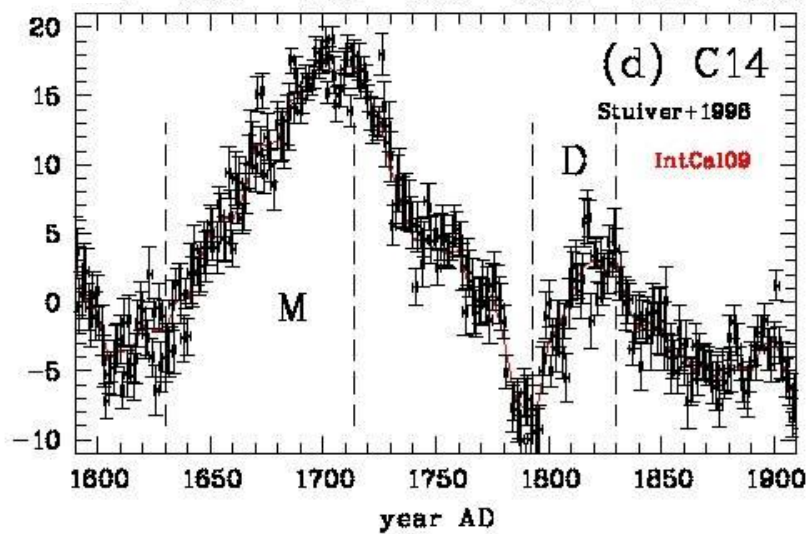
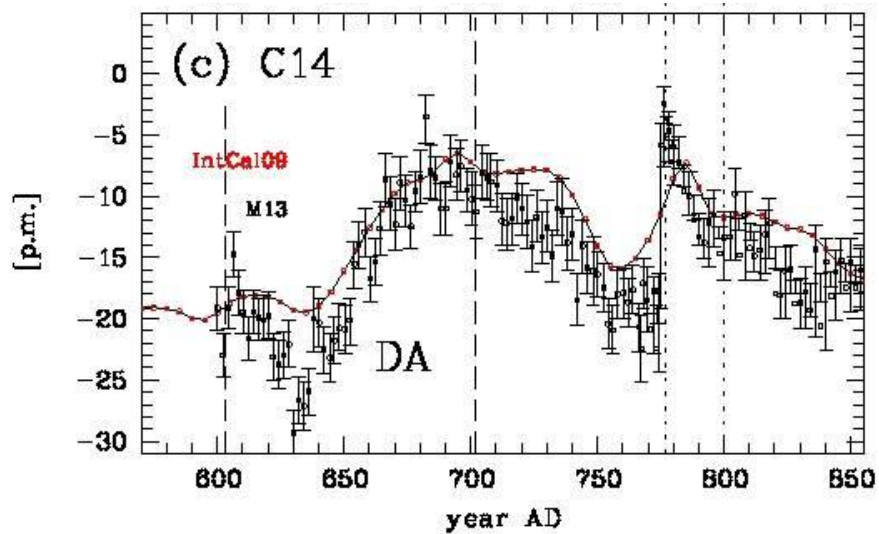
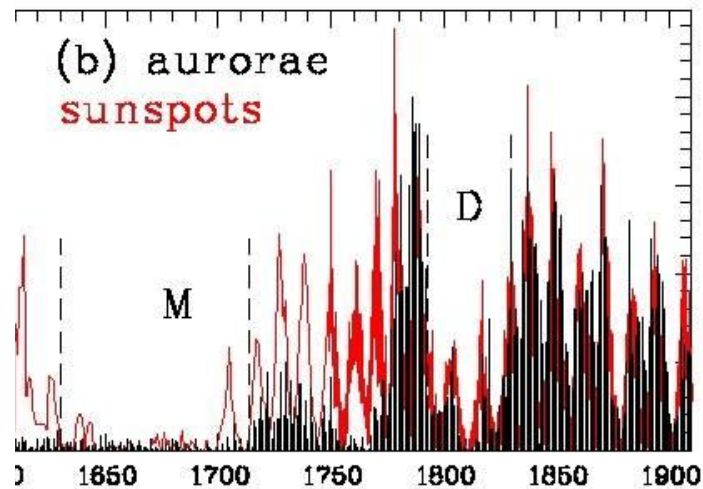
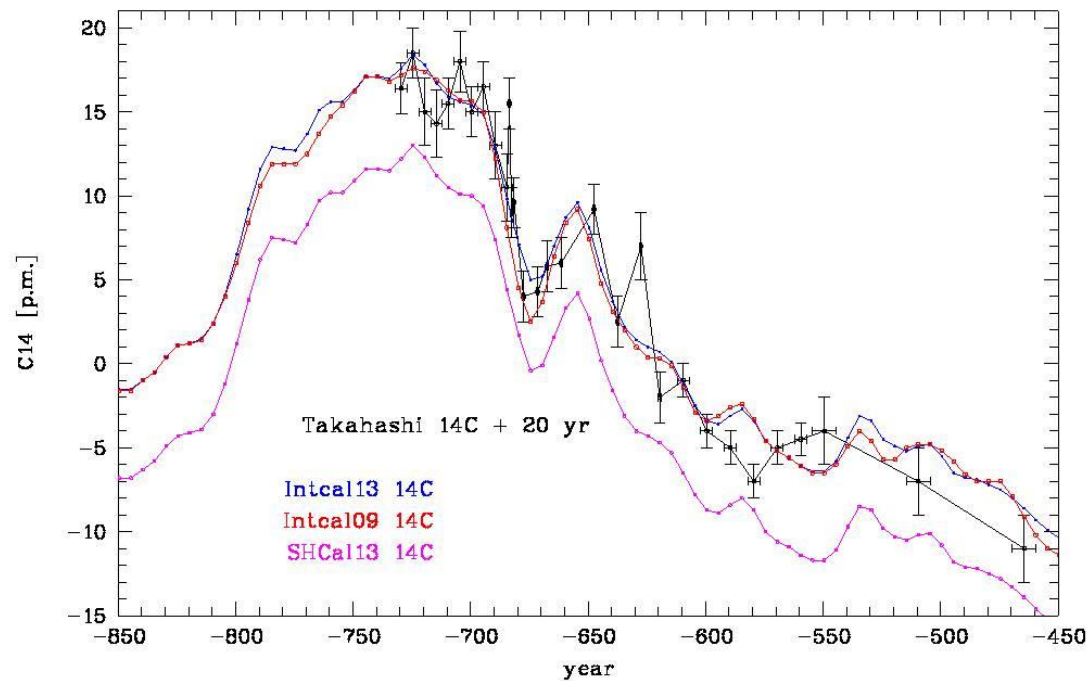
^{14}C rise within
a few years !



Living Review Usoskin:

Fast strong drop in solar modulation potential is indeed possible, e.g. around 1795





Was war die Ursache ?

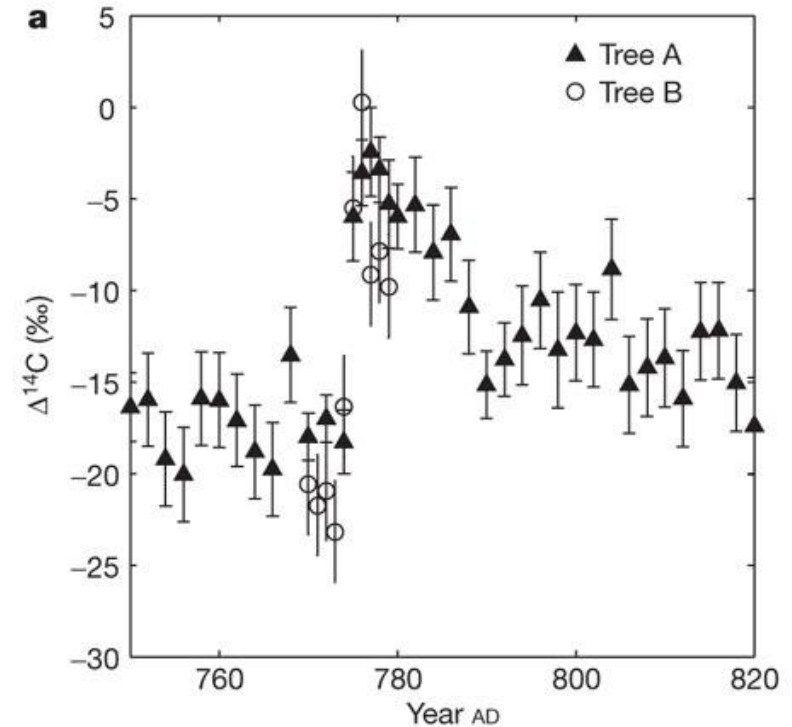
Supernova ? Nein, zu schwach

Gamma-ray burst ? zu selten

Sonnen-Flare ? no

Sonstwas ? Sonnenaktivitätsabfall

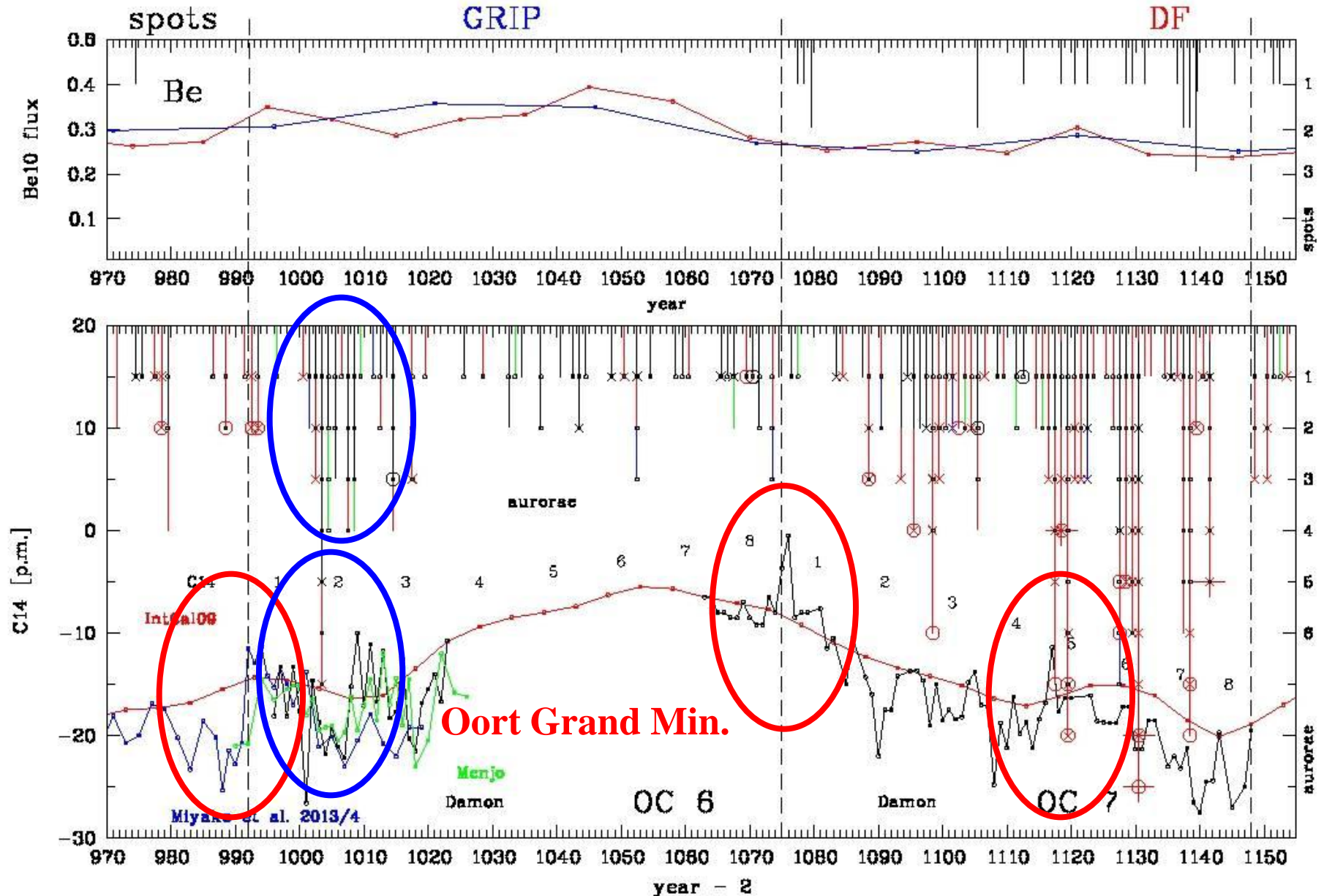
(um AD 775, 994, 1795, und BC 671)



Miyake et al. 2012

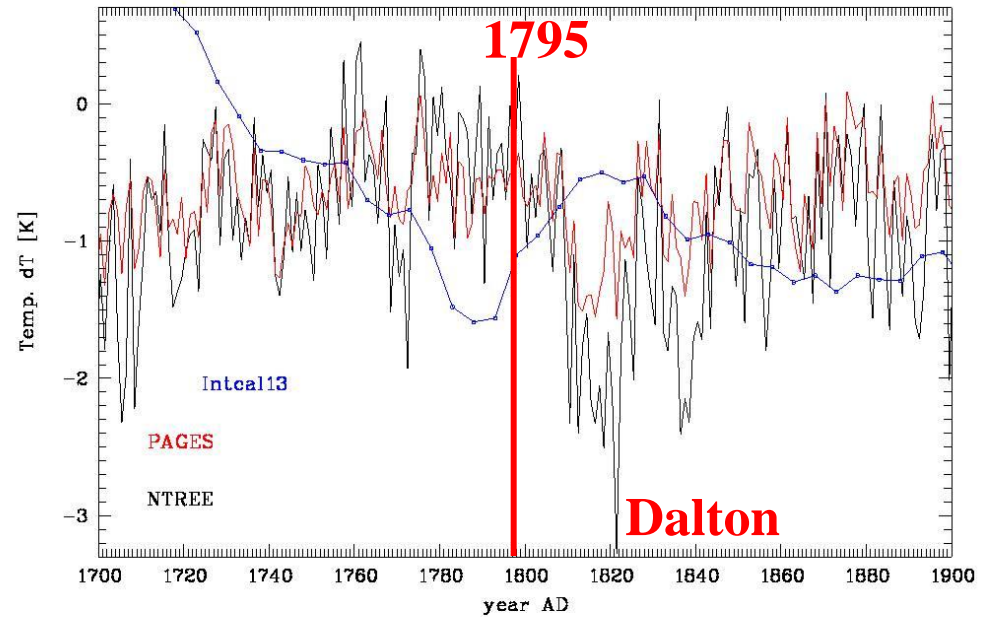
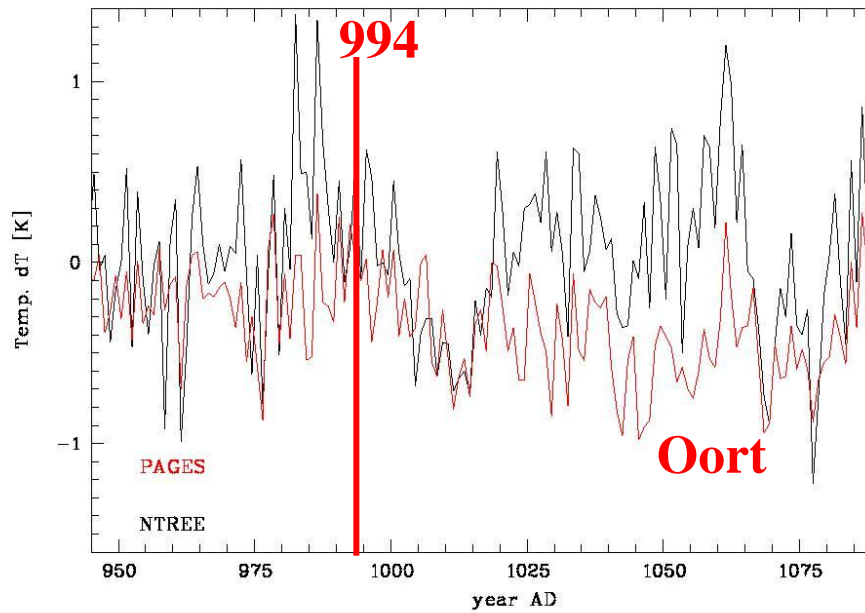
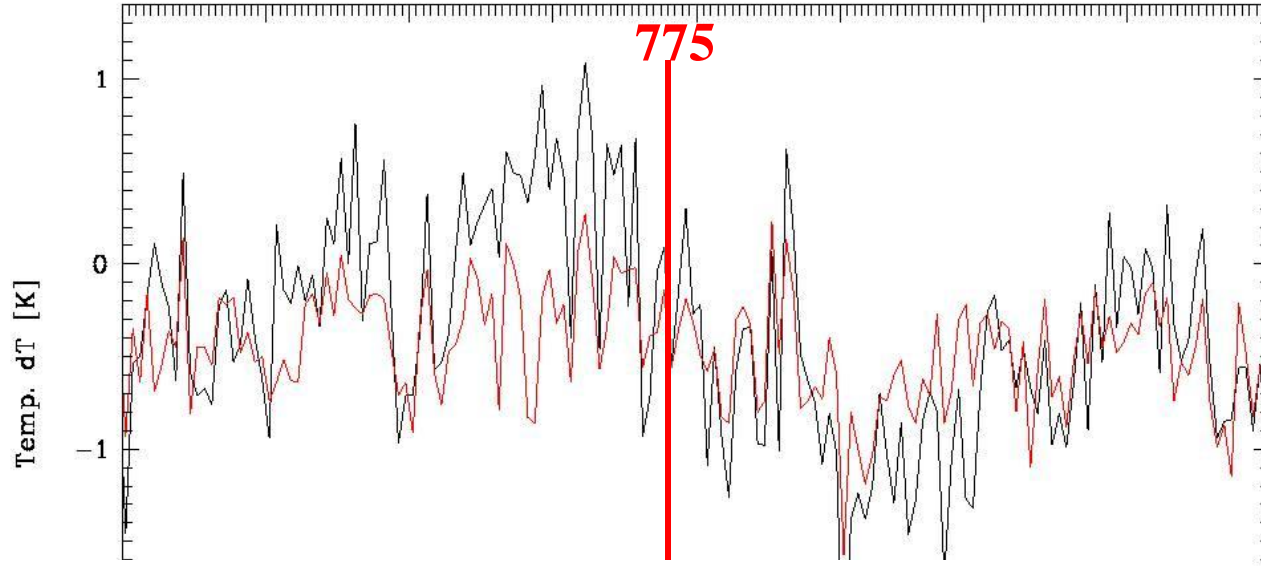
AD 994 / 5

SN 1006 detected ? In 1009 ?



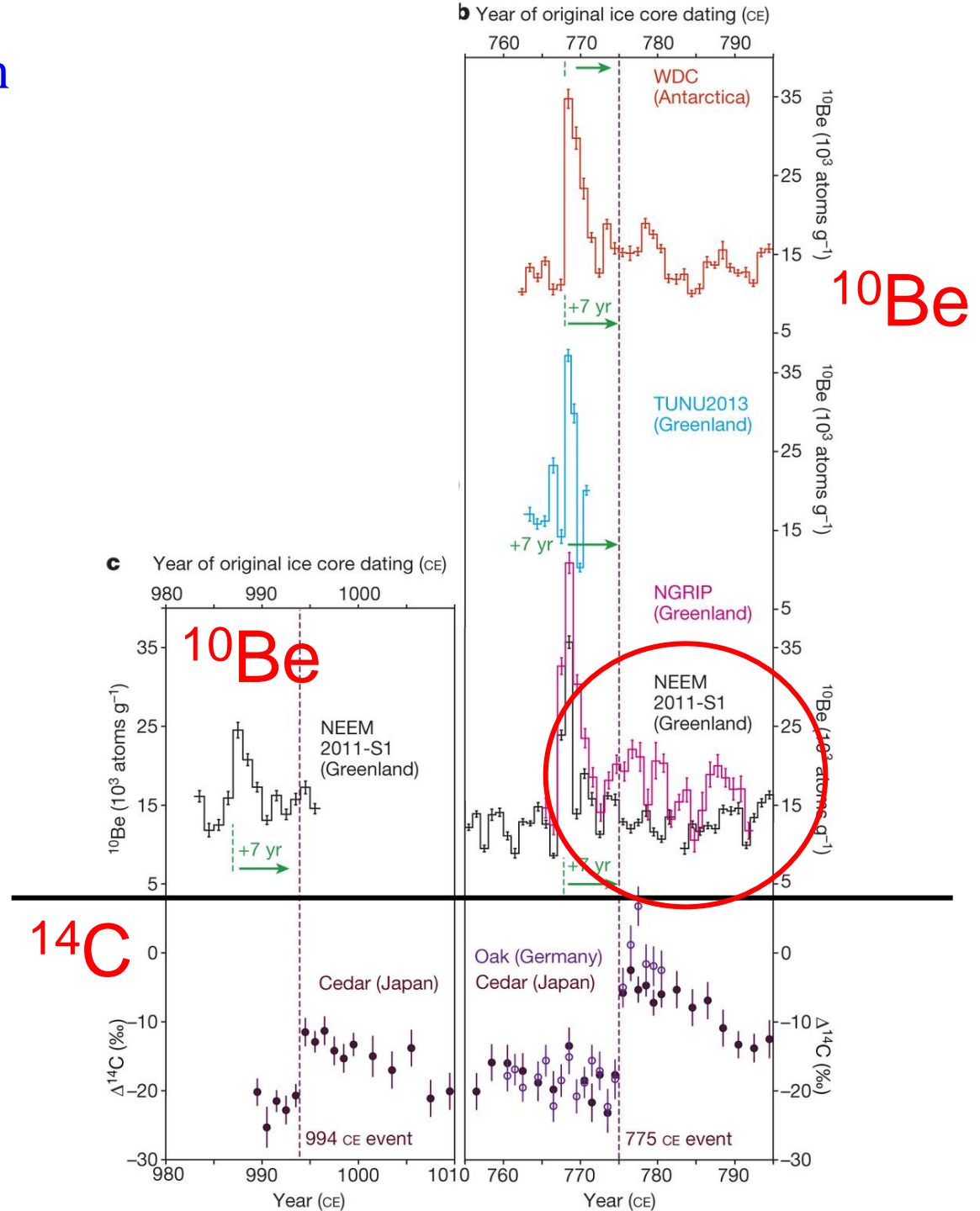
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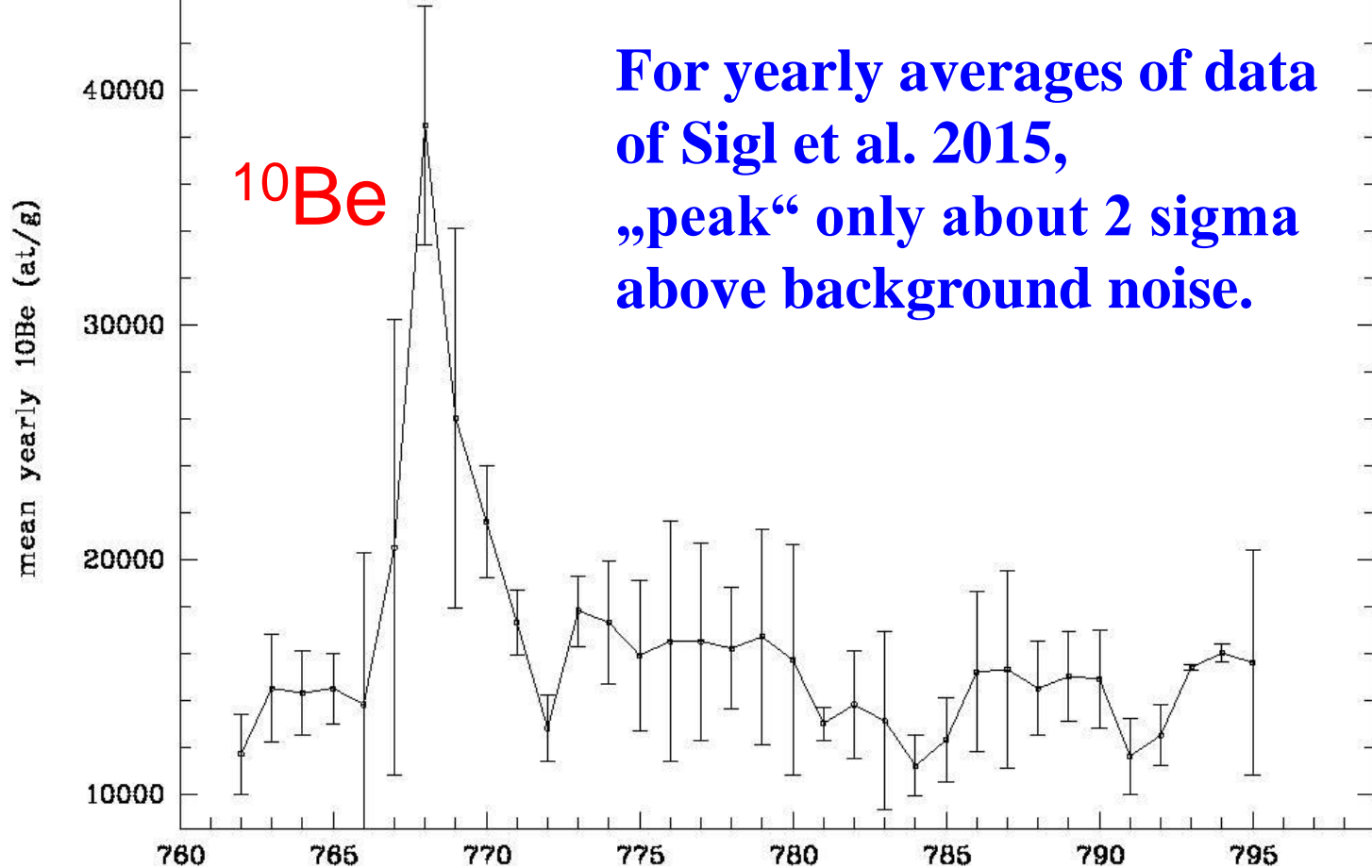
quasi-annual resolution
 ^{10}Be
from north and south

Significant differences
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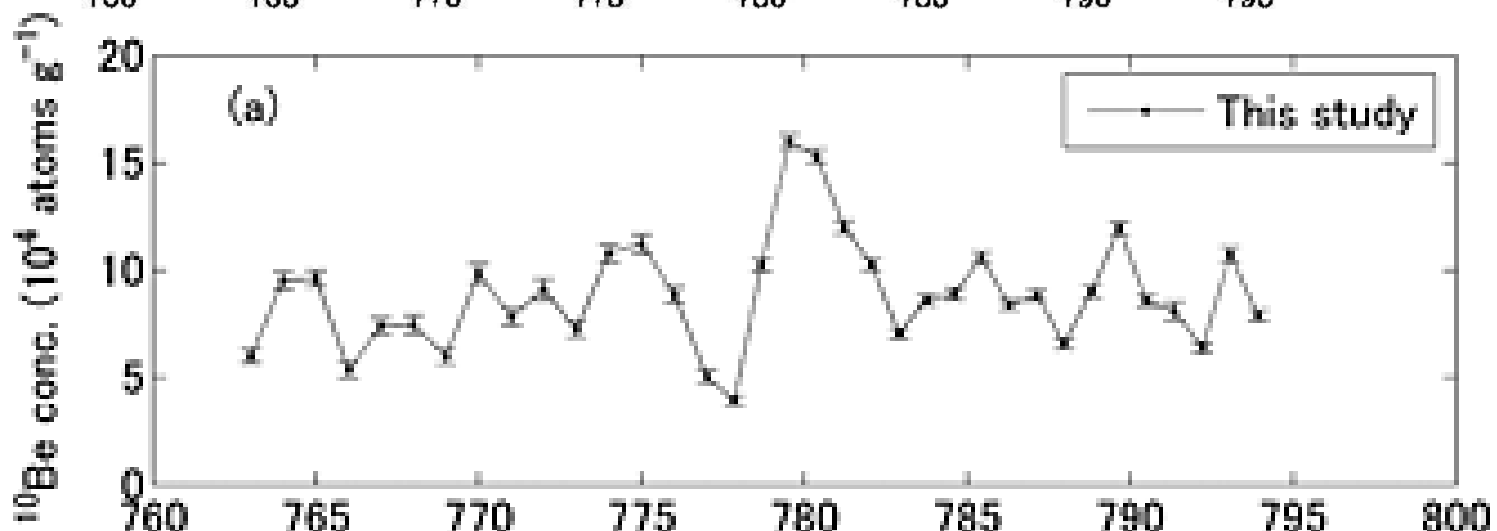


(Sigl et al. 2015)

Average of
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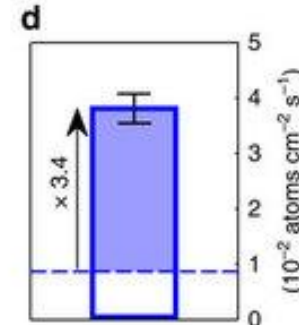
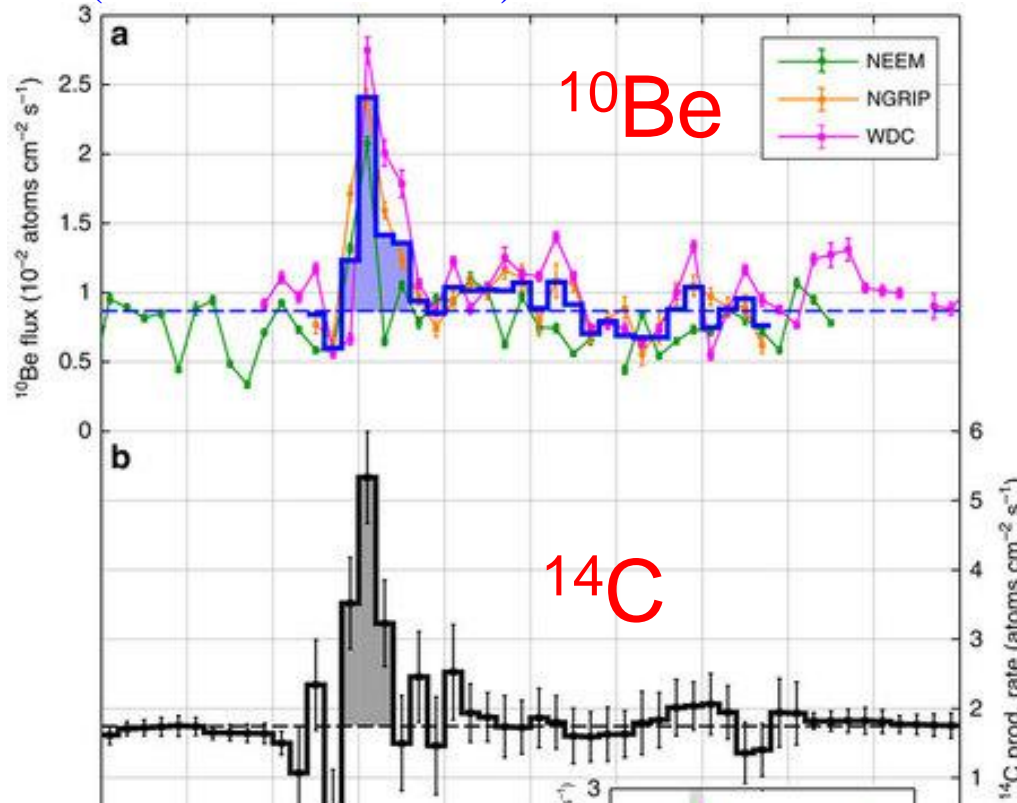
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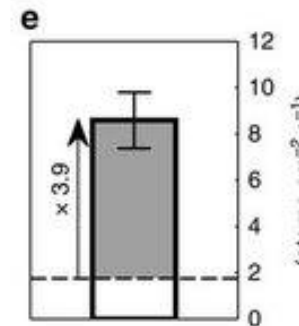
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AD 775

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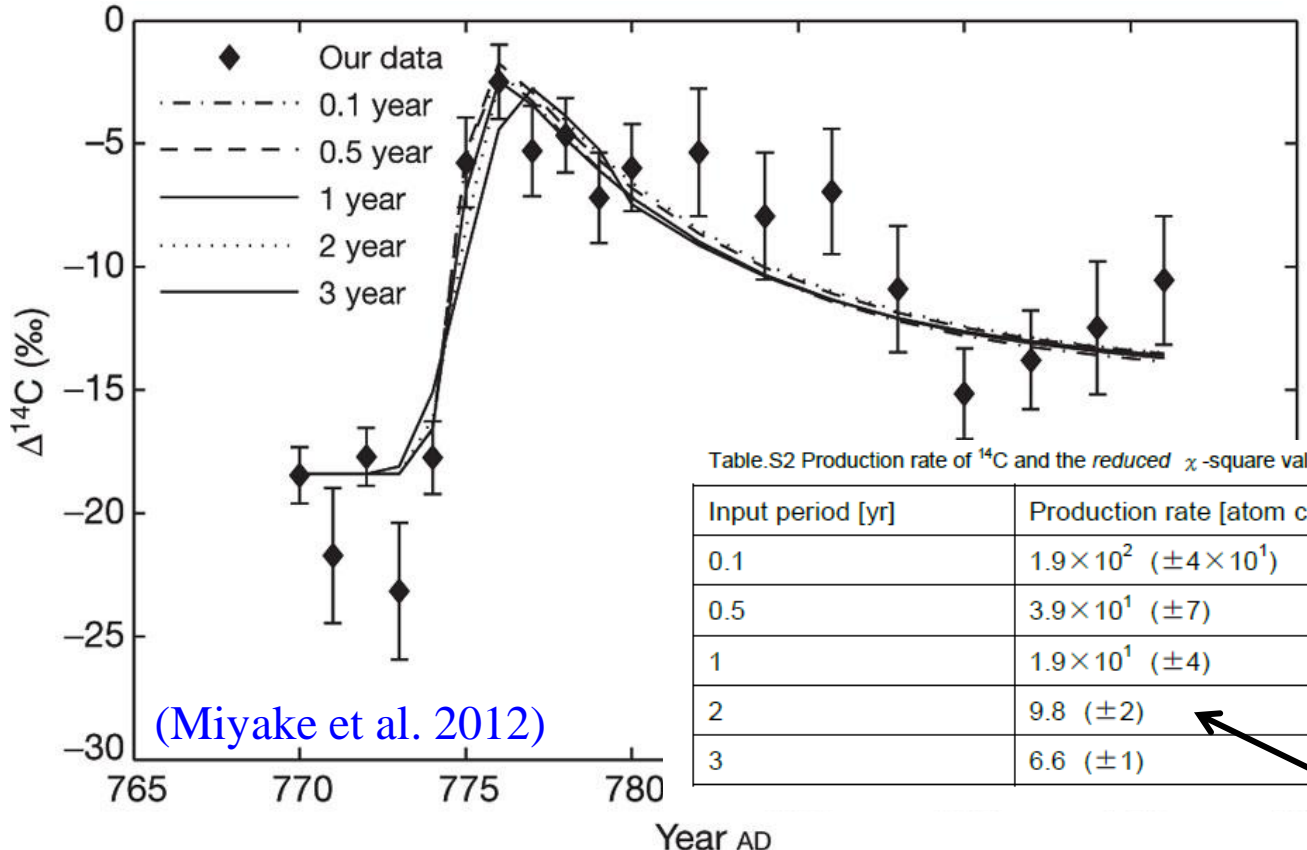
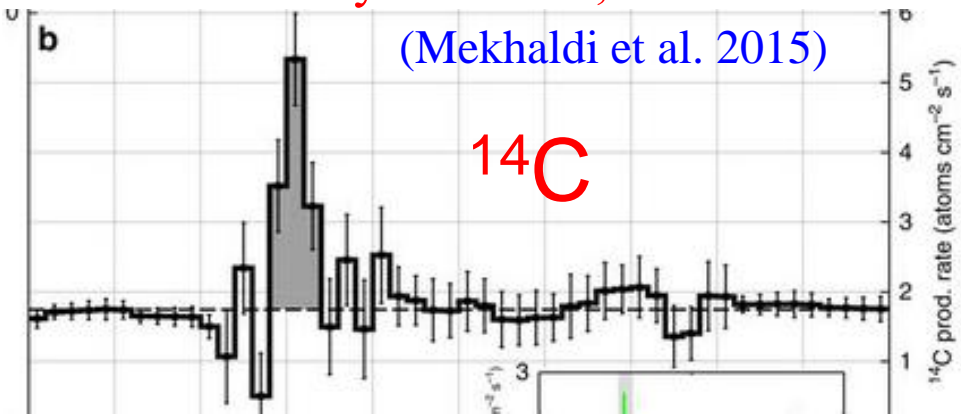
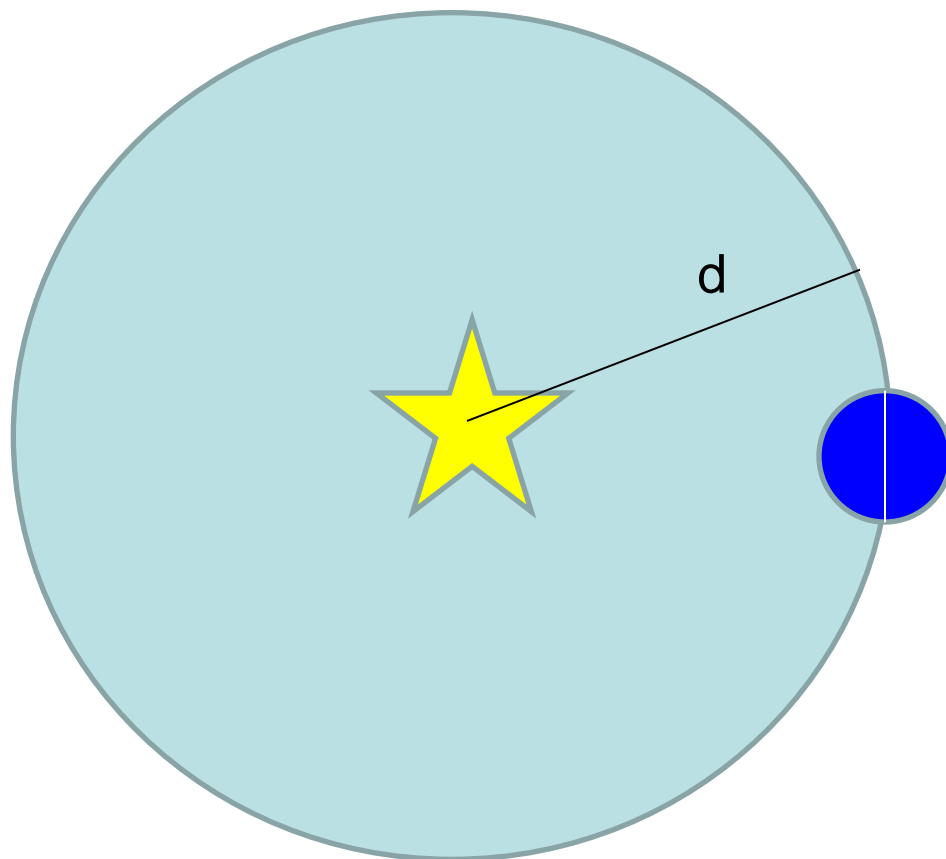


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To be divided by 4.

Energetics



Flare at distance d
between event and Earth

Energy E_{event} to spread
homogeneous to whole
sphere around event
with area

$$4 \cdot \pi \cdot d^2$$

Energy E_{obs} to hit Earth
under solid angle

$$\pi \cdot R^2$$

with Earth radius R .

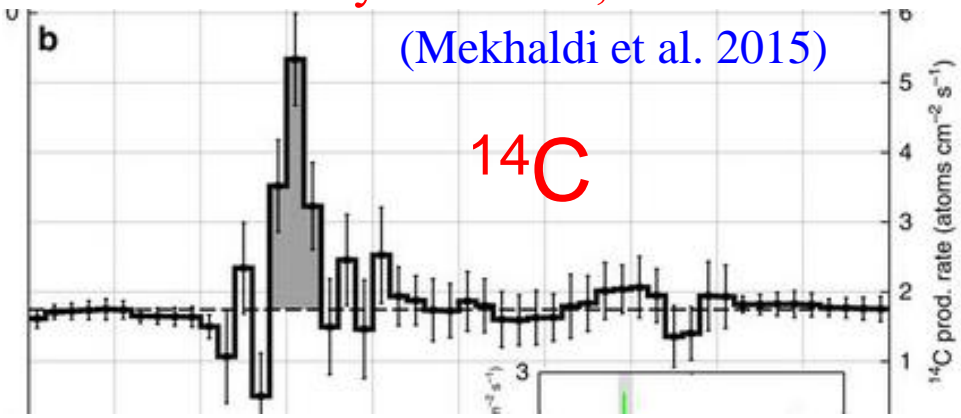
$$E_{\text{obs}} = 8 \times 10^{25} \text{ erg in protons}$$

→ Need 2×10^{35} erg at Sun

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2 yr duration is as good a fit as 1 yr.

For 2 yr,
 $2.5 \pm 0.5 \text{ atm/cm}^2/\text{s}$
 in 773 and 774.

high background. Ok !

^{14}C & ^{10}Be do rise 2 to 4 yr since AD 773.

Schrijver et al. 2012:
 ^{14}C production models differ by > 2 orders of magnitude.

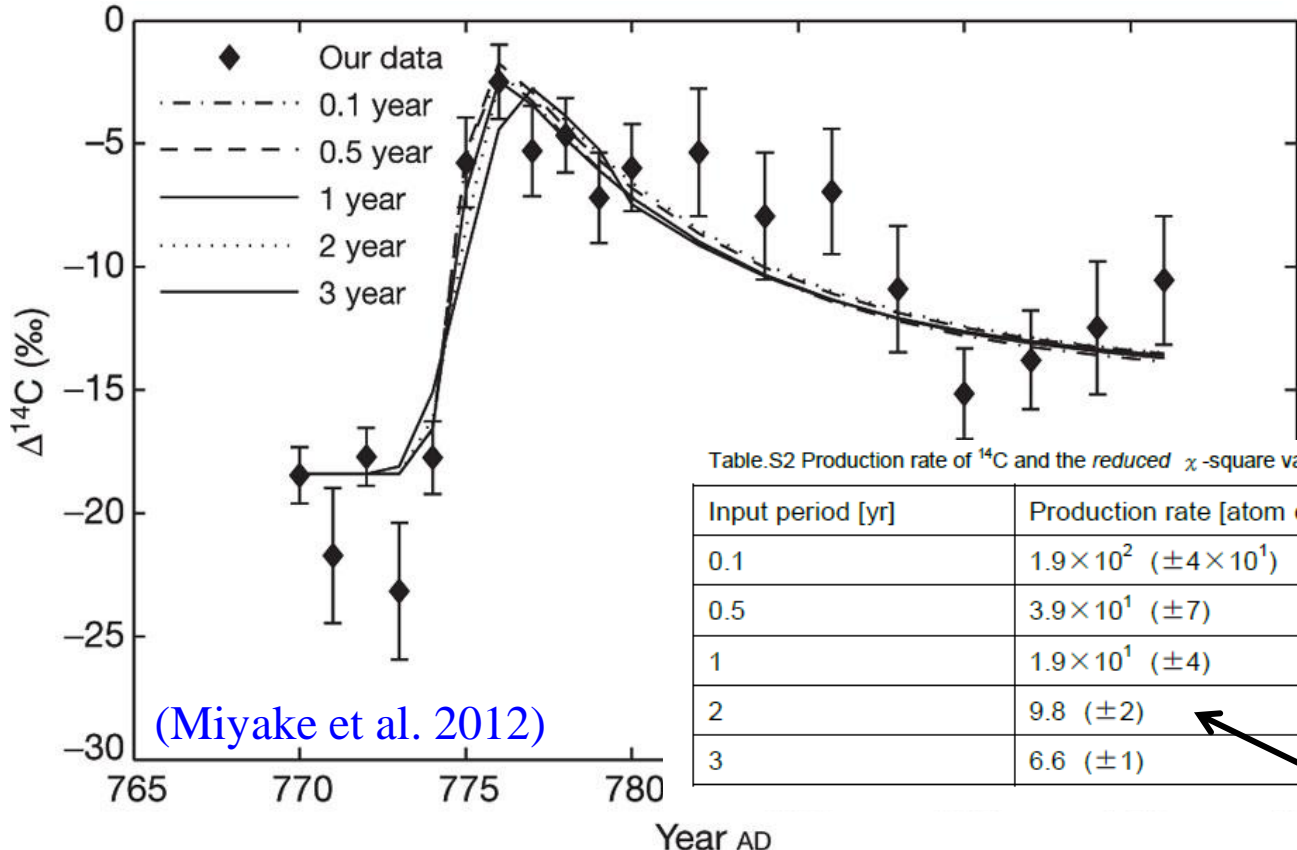
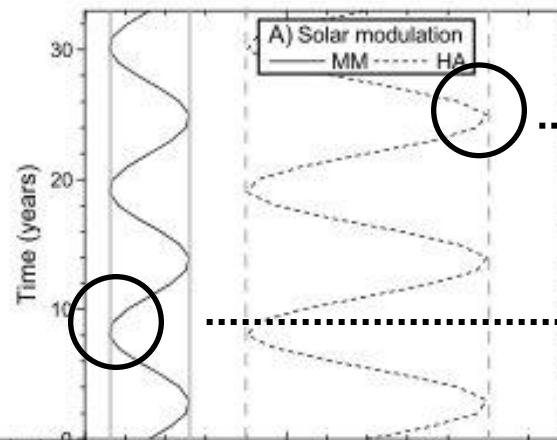


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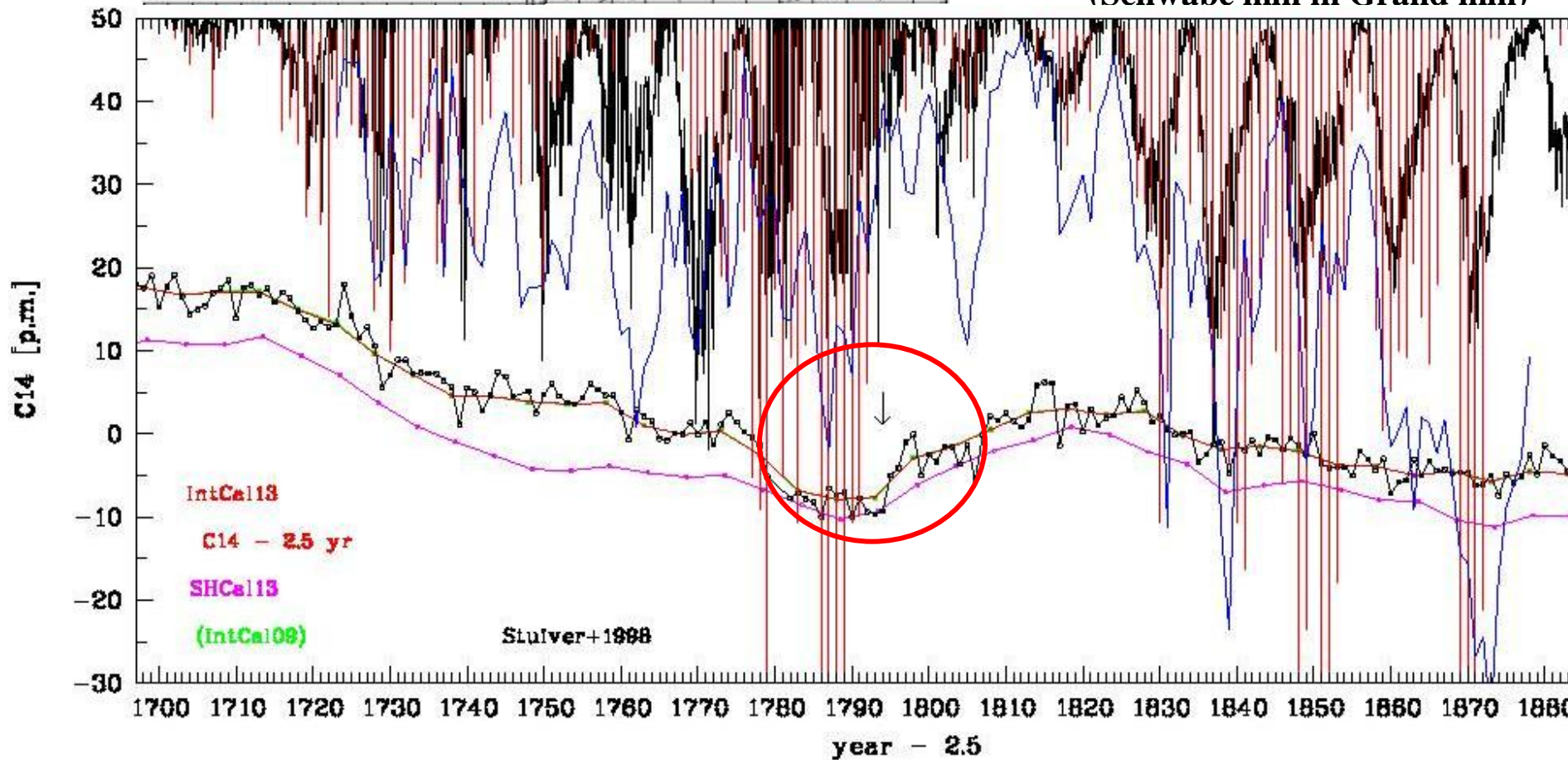
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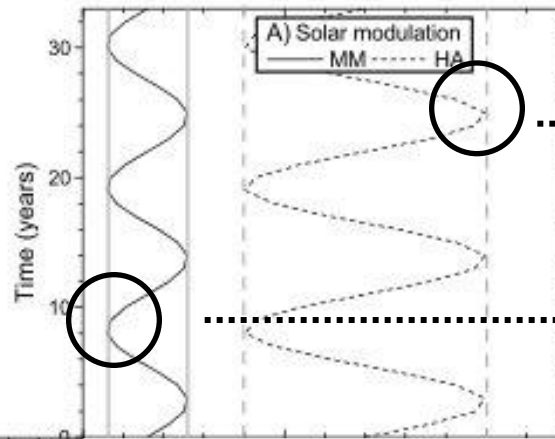


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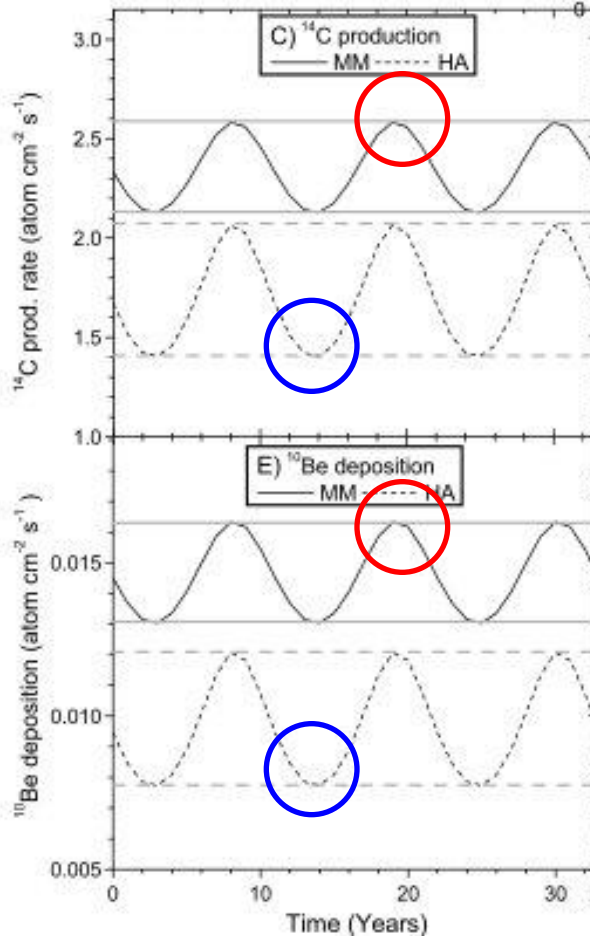


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Ratio
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in Schwabe max of
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^{10}Be :
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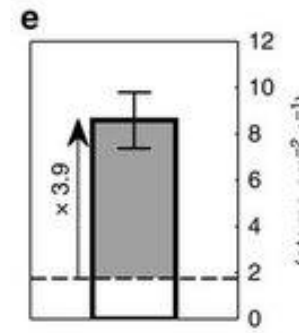
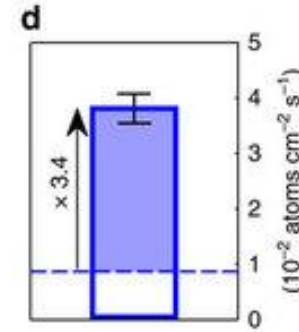
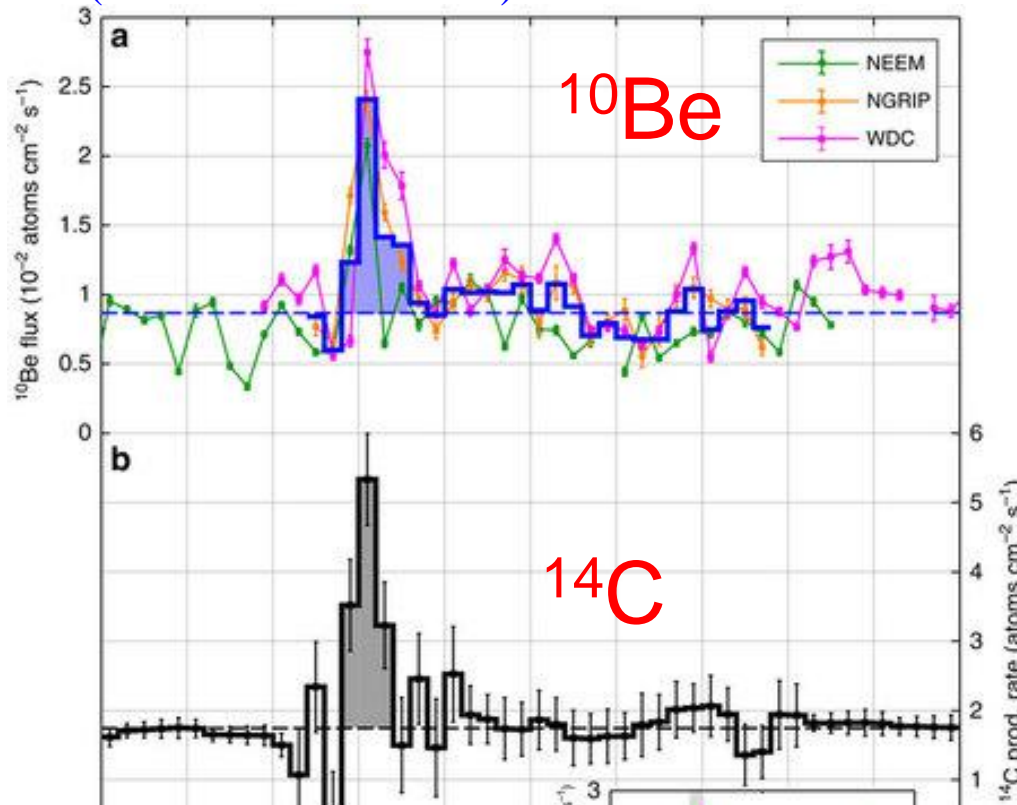
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(Mekhaldi for 775: Ratio $^{14}\text{C} / ^{10}\text{Be} \approx 233 \pm 20\%$)
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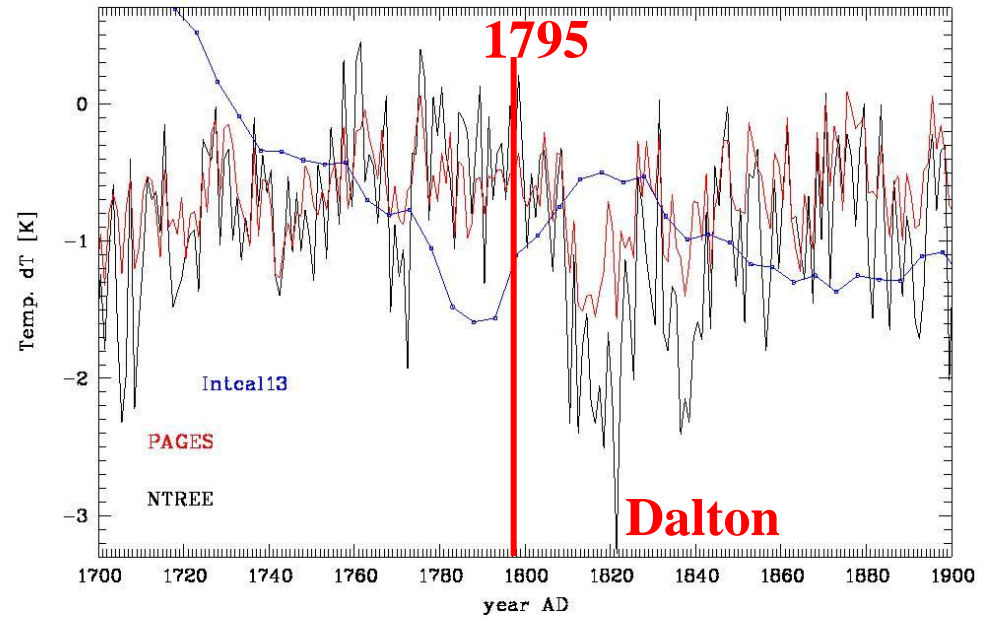
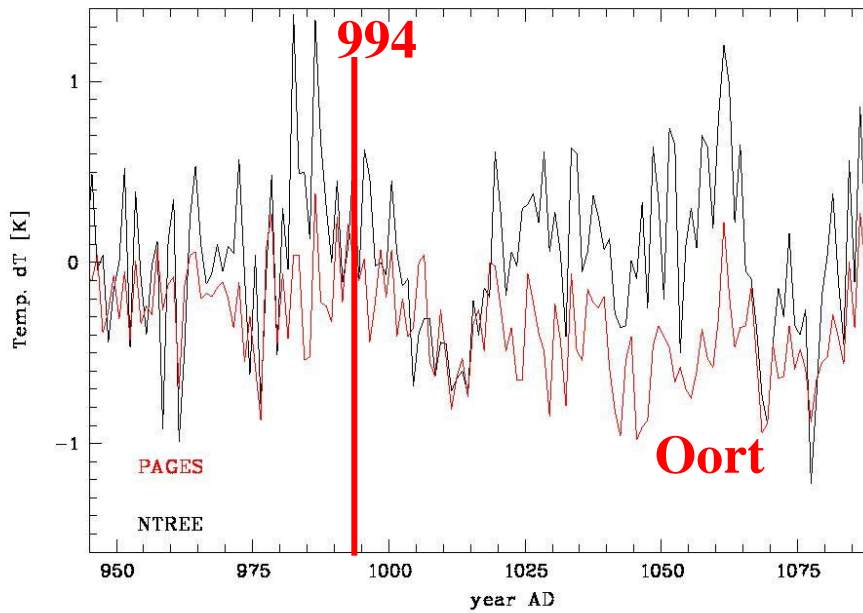
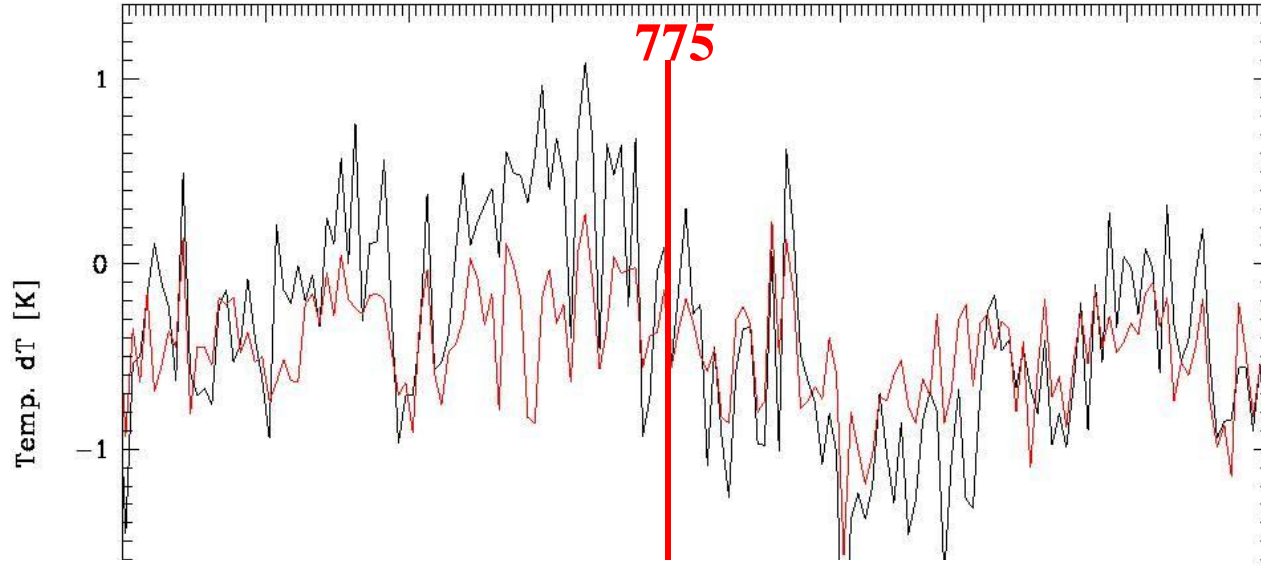
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What is the cause of the ^{14}C variation ?

A supernova ? Not observed, no remnant

A gamma-ray burst ? Possible, but very rare

A comet impact ? Did not happen

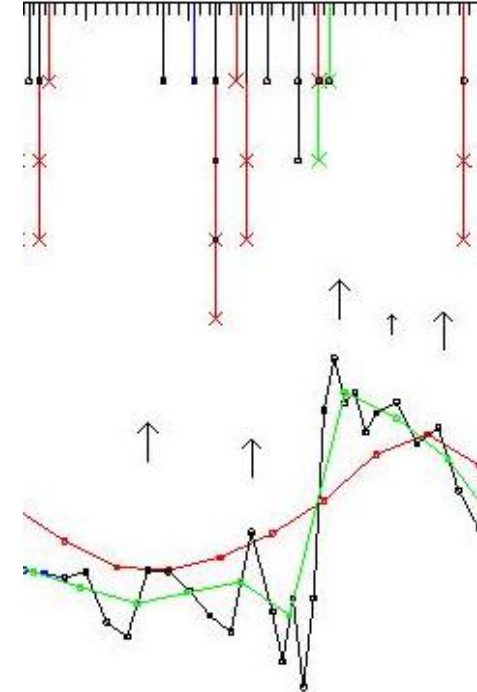
A solar super-flare ? Dubious, if possible at all (no spots, no aurorae)

What else ? **A fast strong drop in solar activity**

→ less solar wind → more cosmic rays and ^{14}C

(similar to the sudden start of the Dalton minimum and maybe also BC 671, ~ once per millenium)

Timing ? When a weak short cycle happens after a strong cycle ...



Neuh & Neuh 2015a
arXiv:1503.01581

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Neuh & Neuh 2015b
arXiv:1508.06745