

Interactive comment on “Development of a standard database of reference sites for validating global burned area products” by Magí Franquesa et al.

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Table 2 summarizes the number of reference files but does not provide summary information on the total areas of the 3 mapped classes (burned, unburned, no data).

Please add a new table providing this information for each project and for all the projects together. This is needed because (i) Landsat and Sentinel-2 images have different areas ($\sim 185 \times 185$ km and $\sim 110 \times 110$ km), (ii) different image spatial subsets were mapped (i.e., not the entire image extents) by the different projects, (iii) the "no data" class includes areas where the interpreter did not undertake the mapping and it is unclear if this was a major proportion and/or if it varied among the projects.

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It would be helpful to then place the total mapped burned and unburned areas in the context of (a) the total global land area and (b) the typical total annual global area burned, and update the abstract and conclusion accordingly.

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