



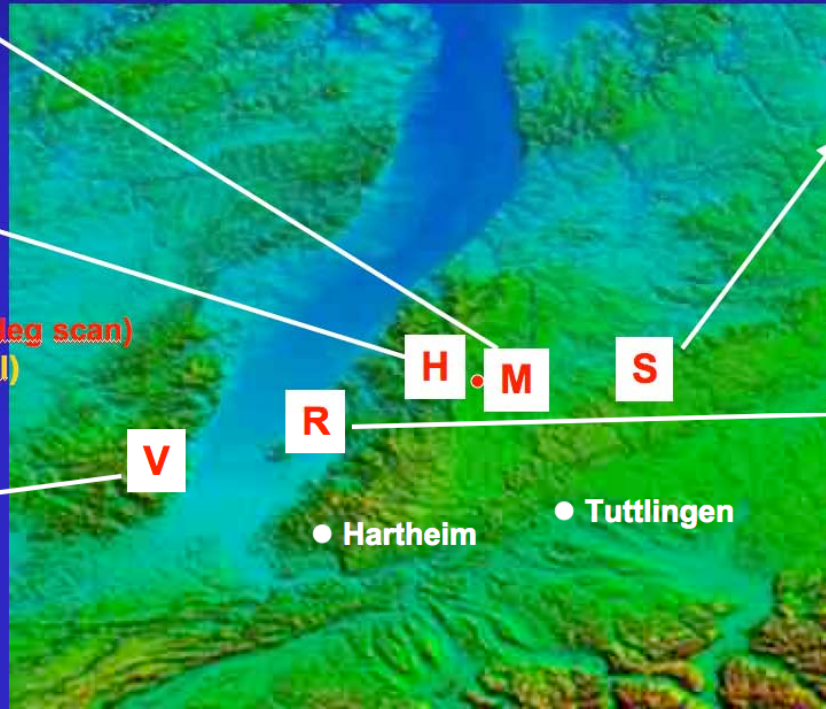
**Comparison of Radiation and  
Clouds at the COPS Rhine Valley,  
Hornisgrinde, and AMF Sites**

**Chuck long**

# COPS Sites

Transect of MRRs from EtoW (Hamburg)

## Supersites



**M**

- AMF inc. radiosondes
- HATPRO
- 90/150 GHz
- MWL
- WILI
- MRR

**H**

- WV DIAL
- RR Lidar
- WindTracer
- FZK Cloud Radar (45 deg scan)
- UHOH X-Band (vertical)
- Radiosondes
- UK aerosol in situ

**V**

- CNRS WV Raman lidar
- CNRS TRESS (aerosol)
- IR radiometer
- LaMP X-Band
- K band rain radar
- MF RaSo, surf. stations
- MF soil moisture (1-3)
- MF UHF prof., sodar

Lidars  
Cloud radars  
Precip. radars  
Radiometers

**S**

- WTR
- MRR
- Radiosondes
- Tethersonde
- CNS radiometer (or V?)
- UK Doppler (or V?)

**R**

- UNIBAS Raman lidar
- UK Doppler lidar
- UK radiometer
- UHH cloud radar
- TARA
- Radiosondes (UK)
- UK sodar

Black-Forest valley entrances

Rhine valley

• RS station (mobile)

- FZK and UBT Sodars (entrance of Murg and Kinzig)
- UF Sodar (entrance of Rench)
- 2 more UK sodars to deploy

Between S1 and S3 • RS station (mobile)



# Rhine Valley Site



- **Outskirts of Achern**
- **Nestled amongst the sewage treatment plant**



# Hornisgrinde Site



- **Mountain top site**
- **Elev: about 1200 m**

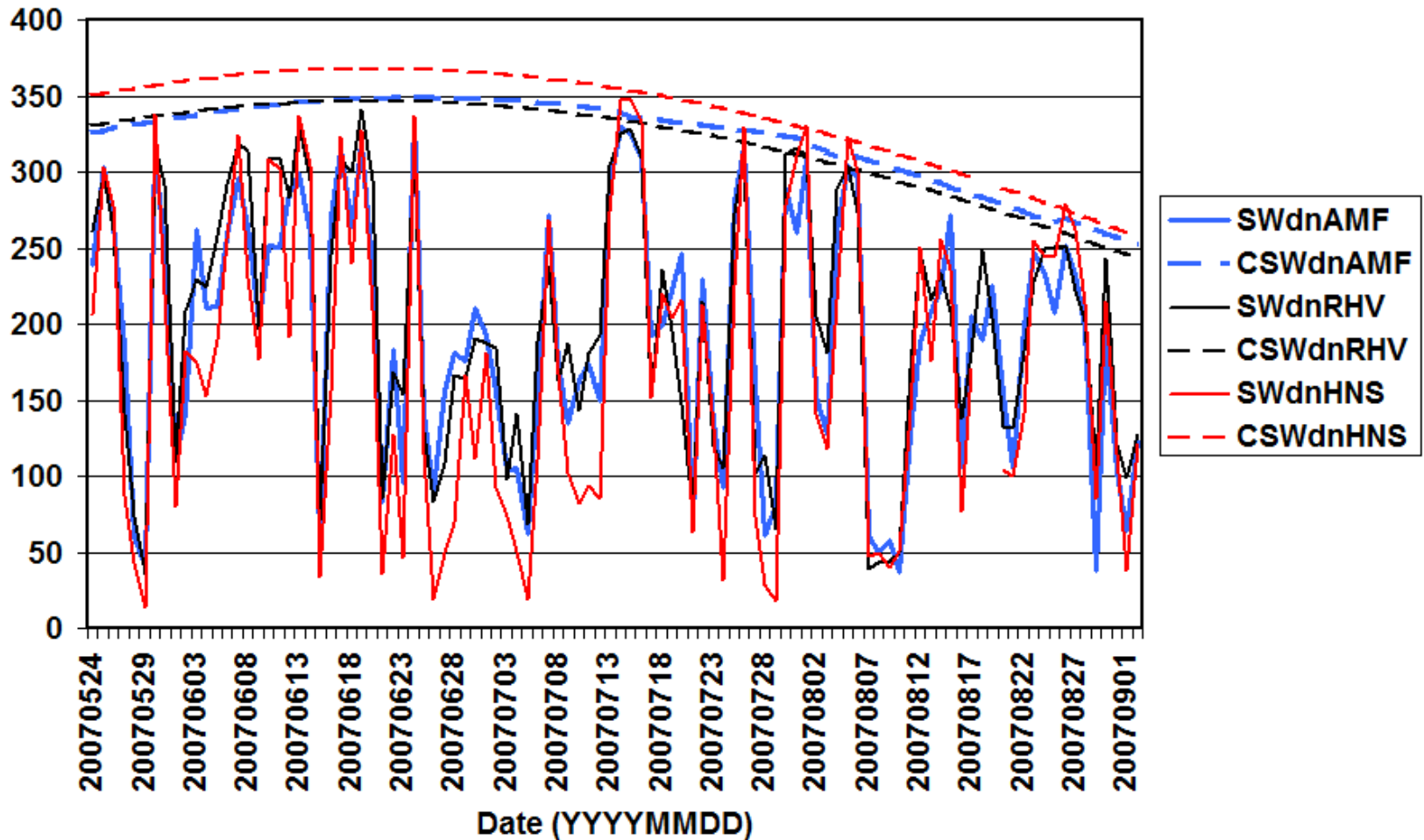
# ARM AMF



- **Near Heselbach**
- **Pre-experiment radiometer comparison for normalization**

# Daily Average SW

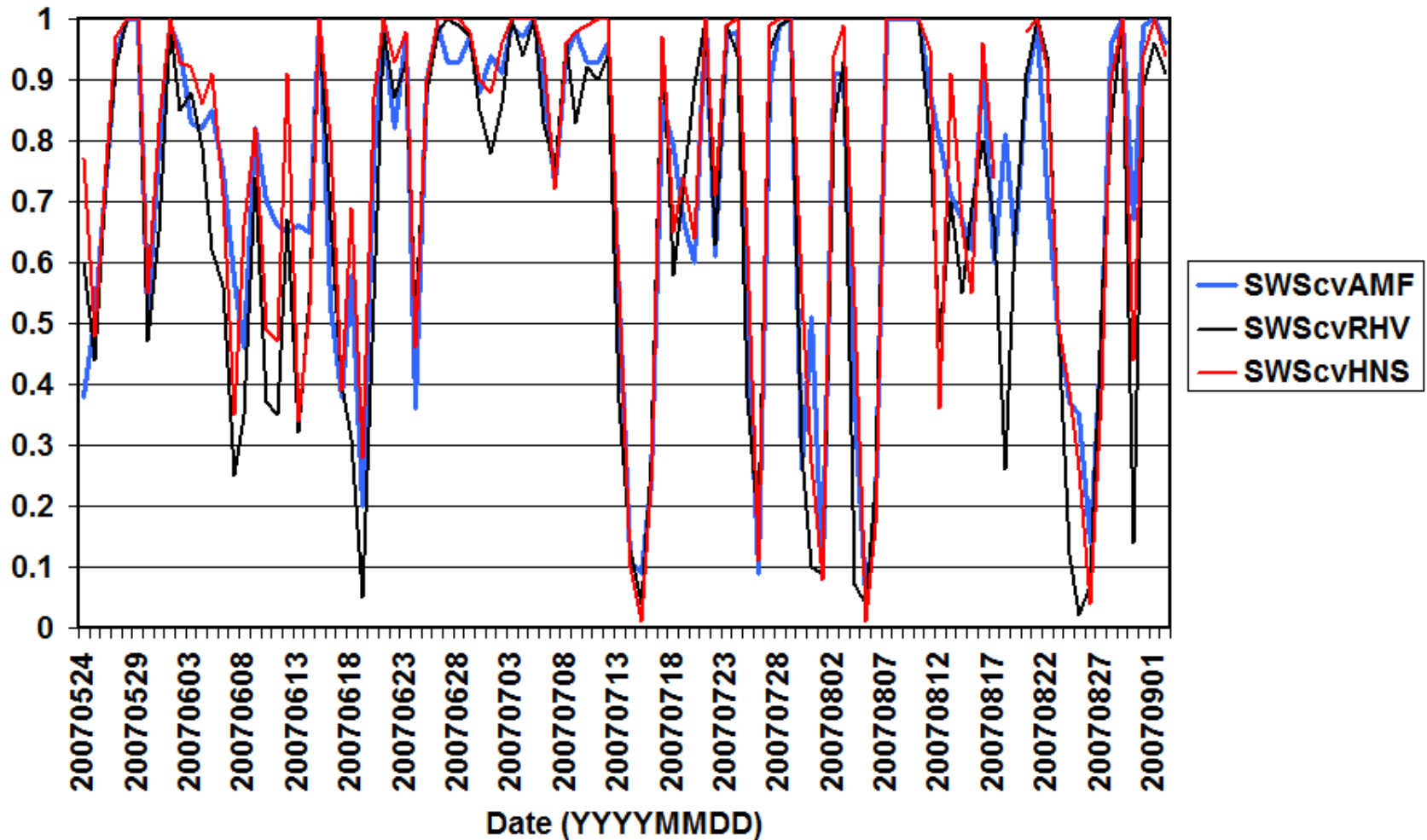
COPS Daily Average Downwelling SW Radiation





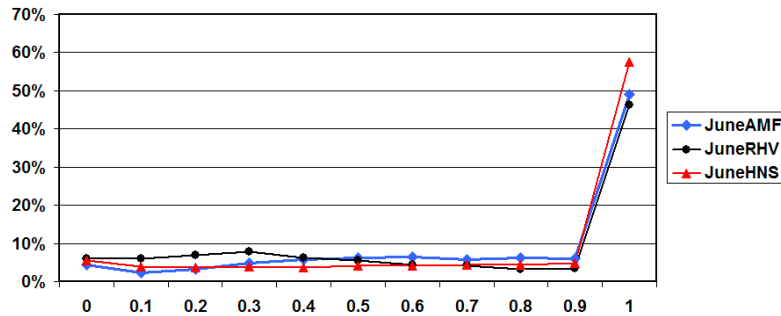
# Daylight Average Sky Cover

COPS Daylight Average Sky Cover

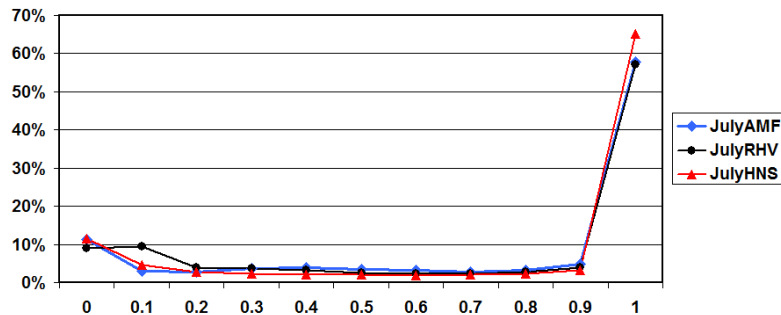


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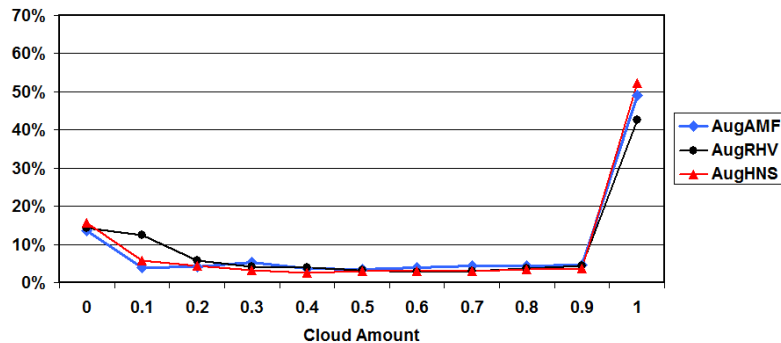
June Daylight Sky Cover Frequency



July Daylight Sky Cover Frequency



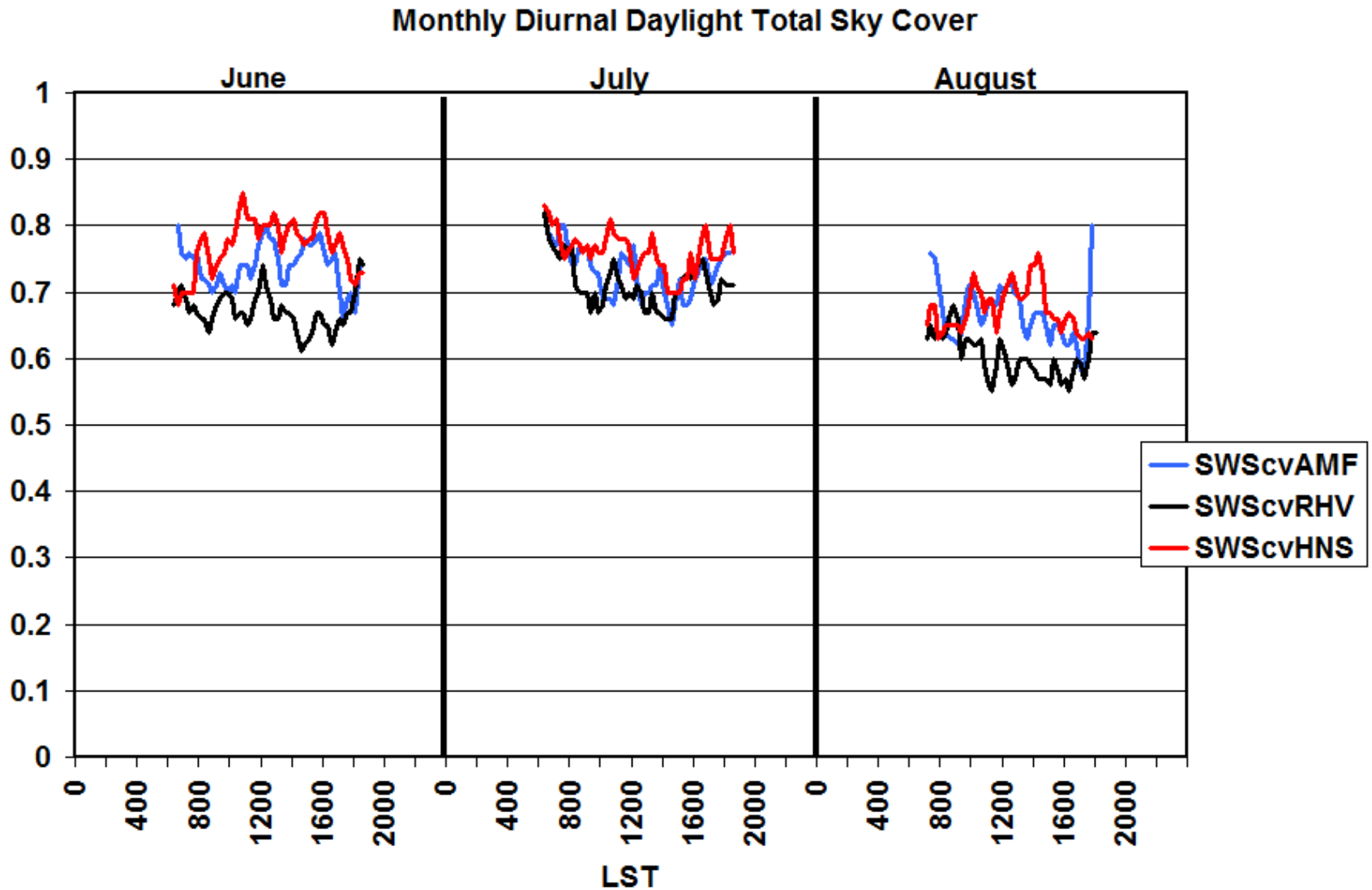
August Daylight Sky Cover Frequency



- All months show infrequent clear-sky occurrence, 50% or more overcast.

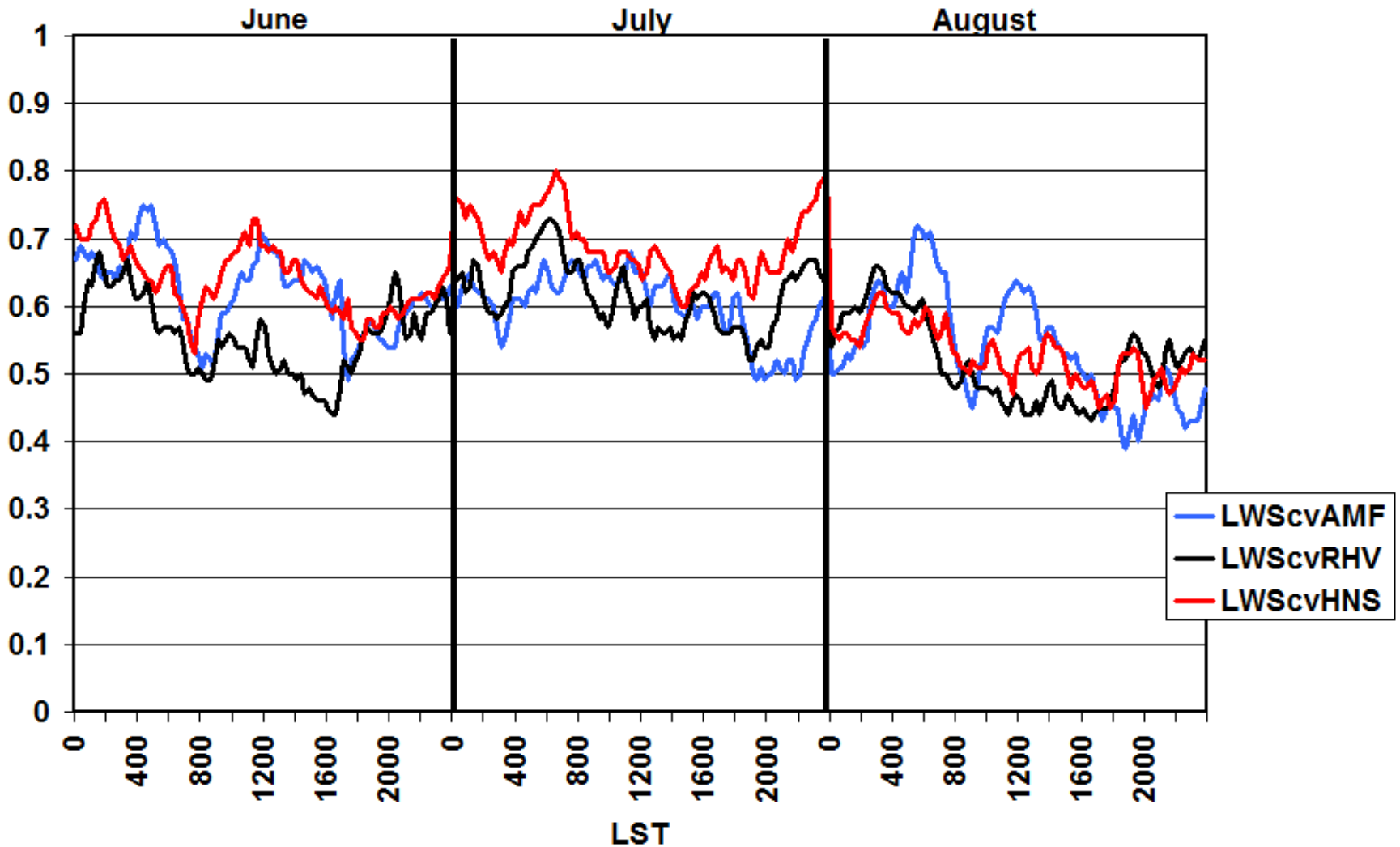


# Monthly Diurnal Composite



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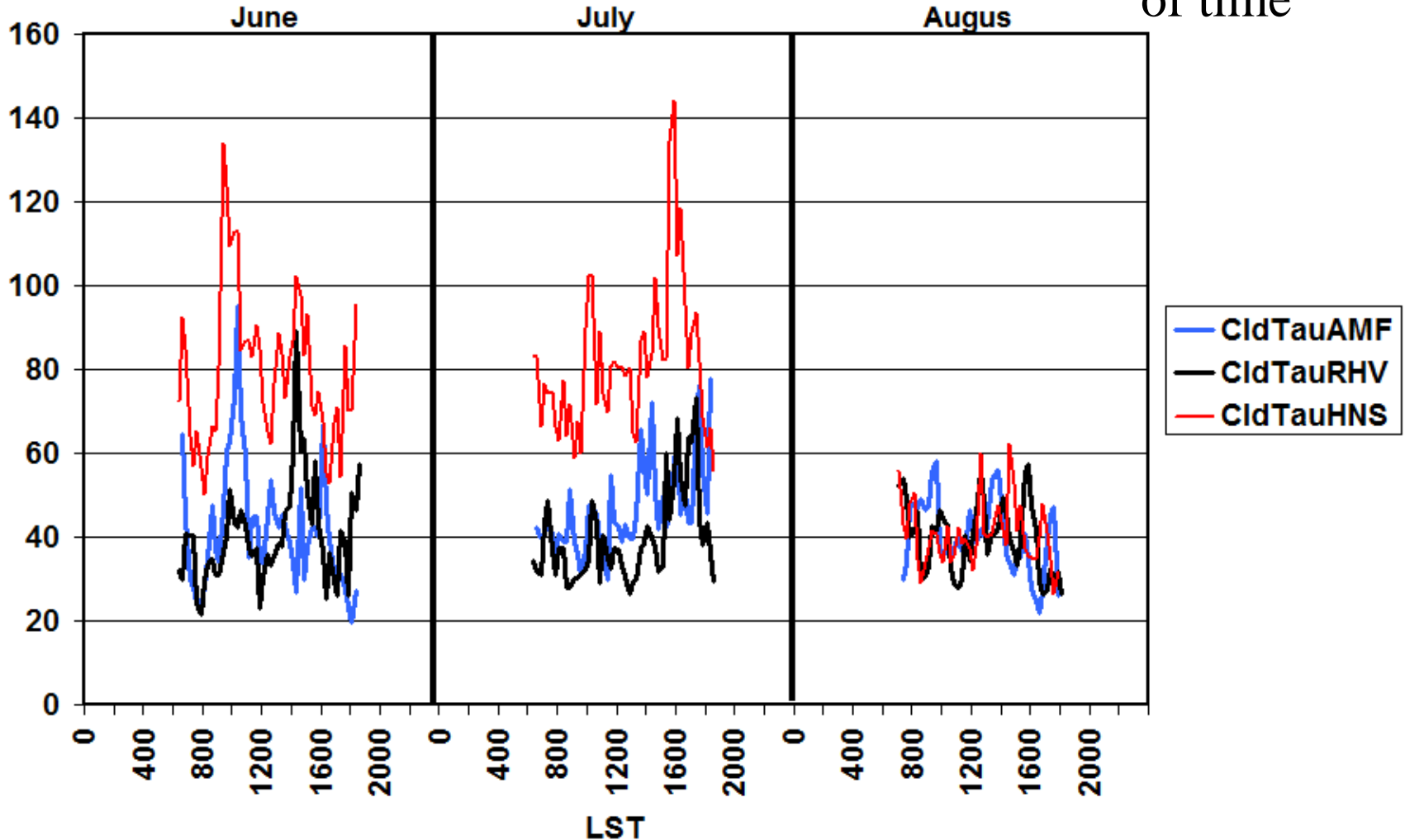
Monthly Diurnal 24-hour LW Effective Sky Cover



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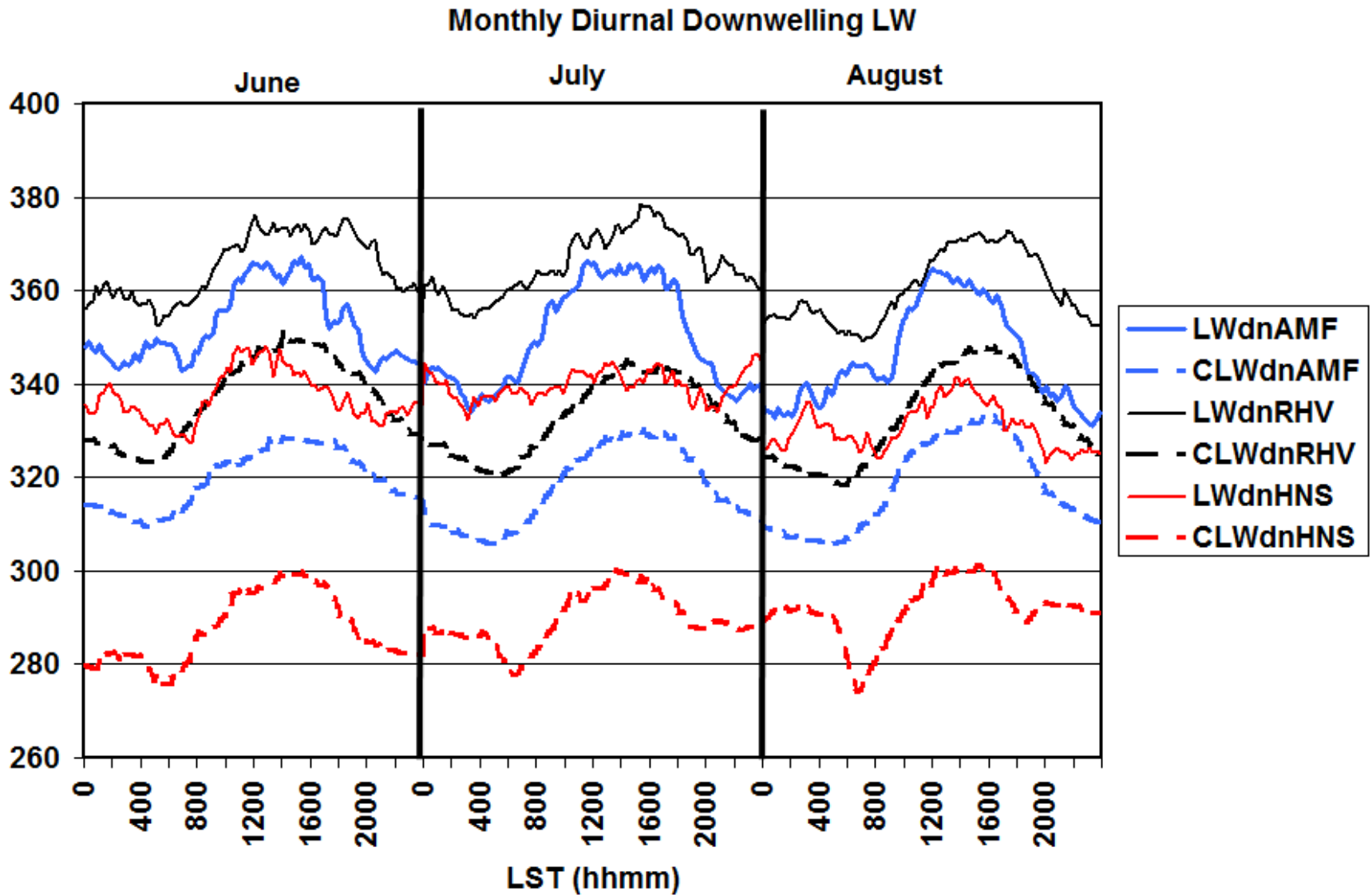
Monthly Diurnal Overcast Cloud Vis Optical Depth

OVC~50%  
of time

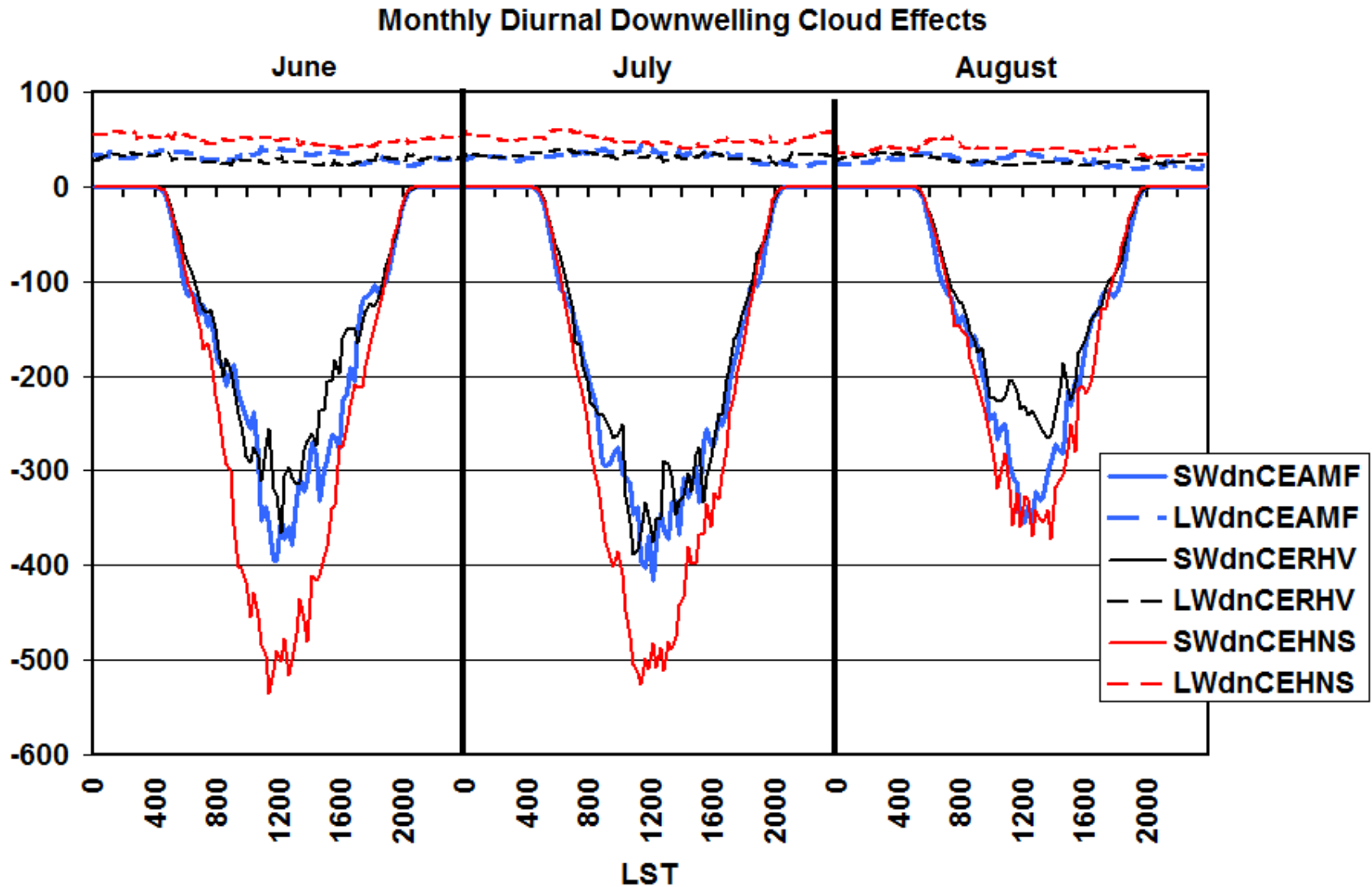




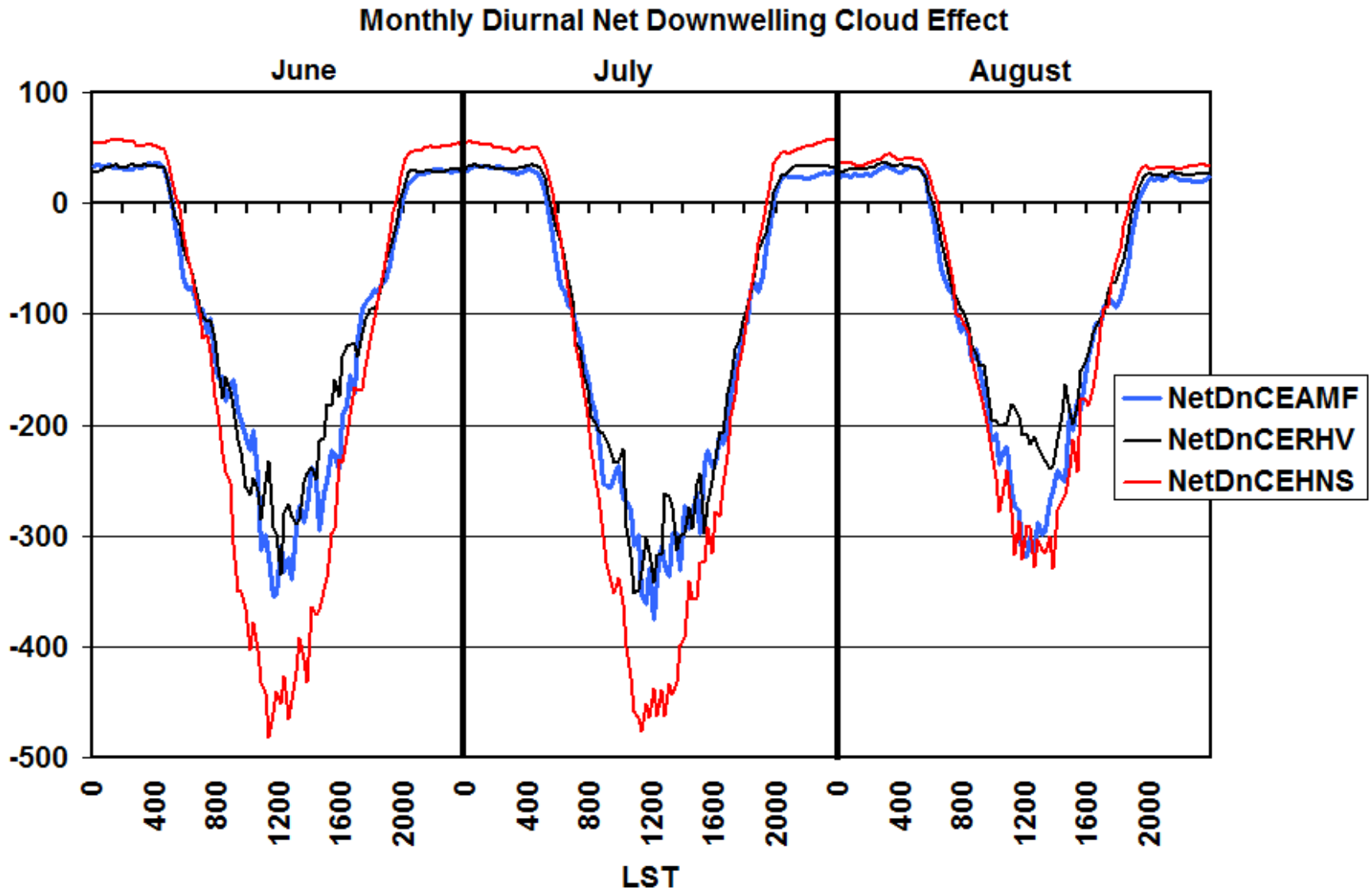
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# Summary

- **Larger scale influences drive day-to-day cloud and radiation more so than orographic influences**
  - **Similar evolution of radiation and cloud amount**
  - **Similar cloud amount frequency distributions**
- **Hornisgrinde experiences optically thicker cloudiness (overcast) and greater radiative downwelling cloud effects**

# Status

- **We are applying the ARM QCRad VAP to all AMF radiation data sets**
  - **Pt. Reyes, Niger, COPS, China, etc.**
- **I am willing to submit Radiative Flux Analysis data sets for the Pt. Reyes, COPS, and Niger AMF deployments as a PI Product**