Summary of the Final Report of Research Results

1) Title of the proposed research

Comparison of GOSAT retrievals of the CO_2 and CH_4 column mole fractions with in-situ data and estimates produced by the CarbonTracker data assimilation system

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We aimed to make comparisons of the satellite retrievals to aircraft based and ground based in-situ data, which contribute to the successful interpretation of satellite data and their integration into the global observing system. We started with direct comparisons of GOSAT FTS-SWIR column retrievals of CO_2 and CH_4 with aircraft based and ground based in-situ data, without involving a transport model. The next step, now ongoing, is to compare GOSAT retrievals with CarbonTracker. The latter can be considered as an extrapolation of CO_2 fields to the entire atmosphere that is consistent with observed in-situ CO_2 and atmospheric transport. If these comparisons are satisfactory, we are to develop an approach to use satellite and in-situ data together for determining sources/sinks of CO_2 .

Outcomes of the first step were published in the 4 papers listed below, while results from the latter step are now compiled in preparation for publication.

5) List of publications relating to the proposed research

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