



Status of the EPN troposphere processing

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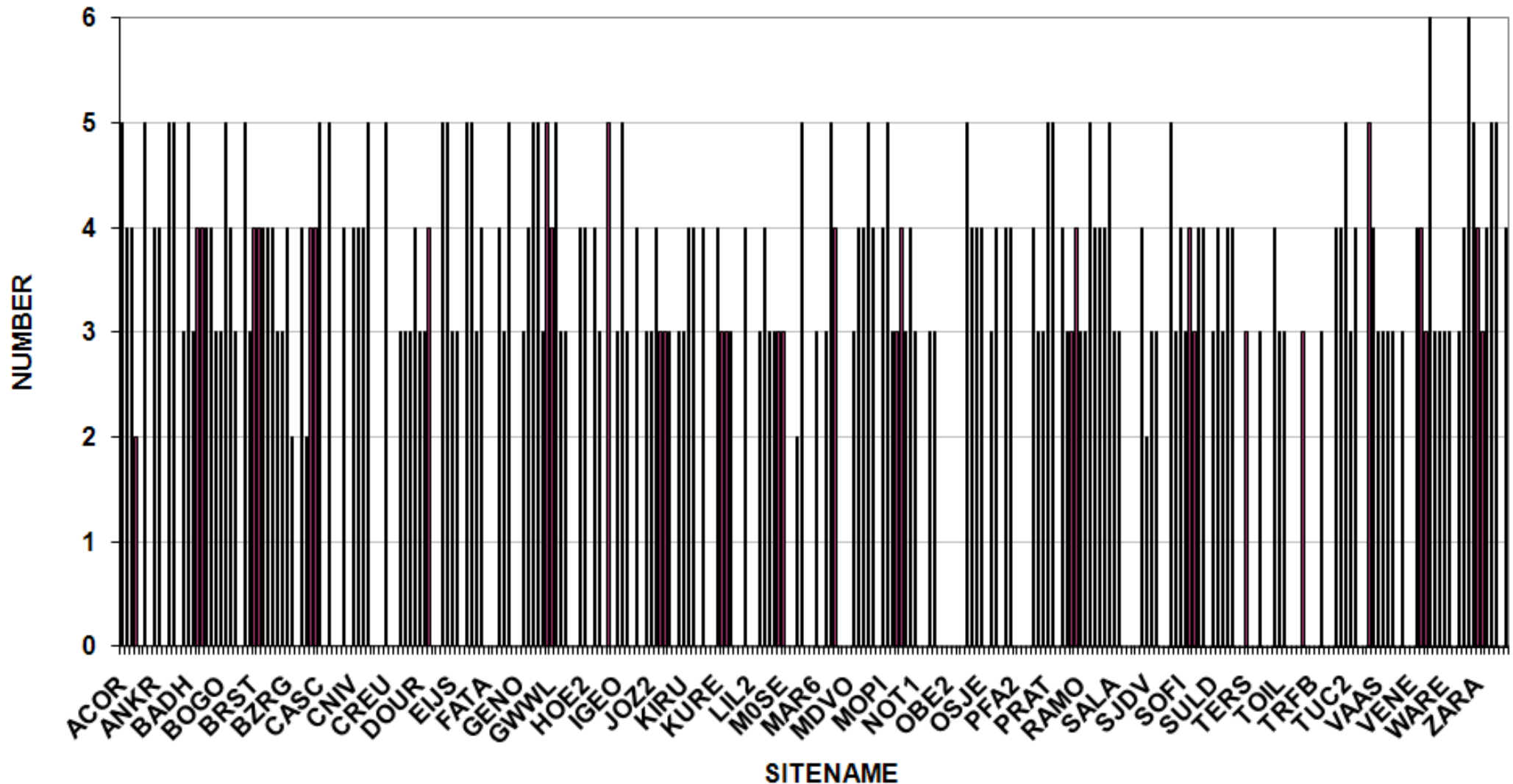
EPN troposphere product



- **Input: Daily SINEX TRO files delivered by the EPN LACs**
- **Combination of these files on a weekly basis**
- **Output: weekly combined TRO file, SUMMmary file and EPN LAC mail**
- **Special Project started in 2001, moved to routine operations in 2007**

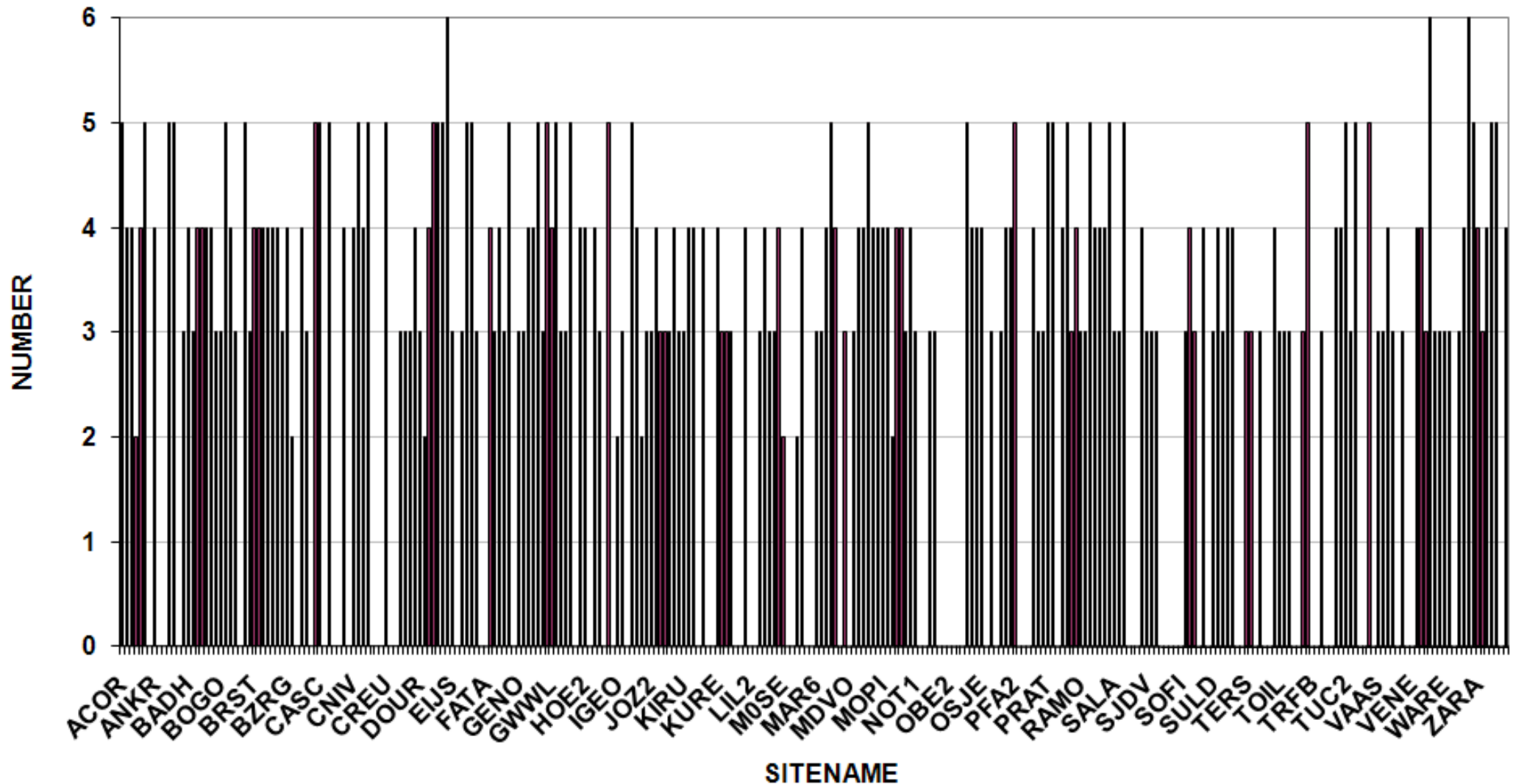


Number of LACs estimating the EPN stations' troposphere parameters (GPS week 1491, 16 LACs)



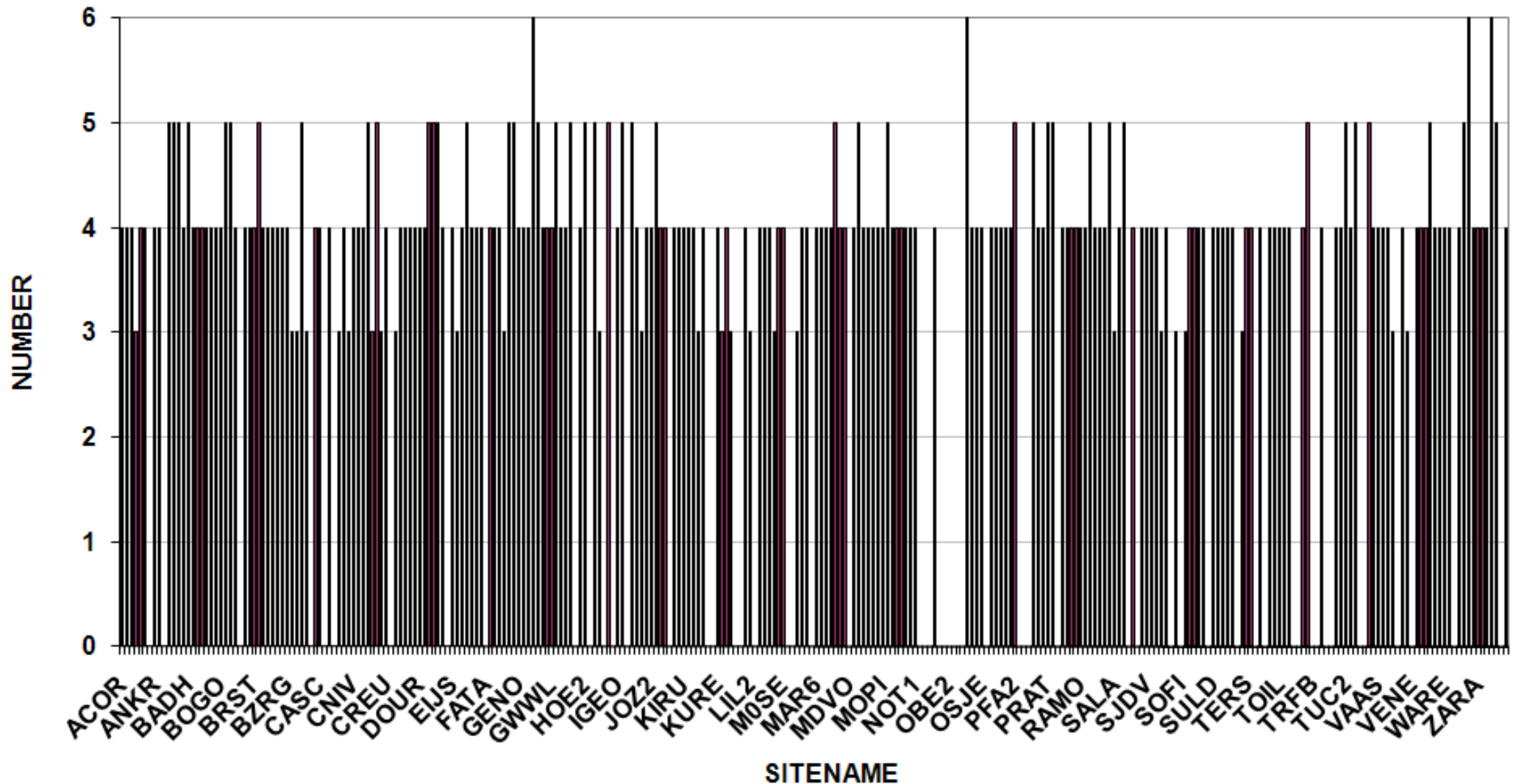


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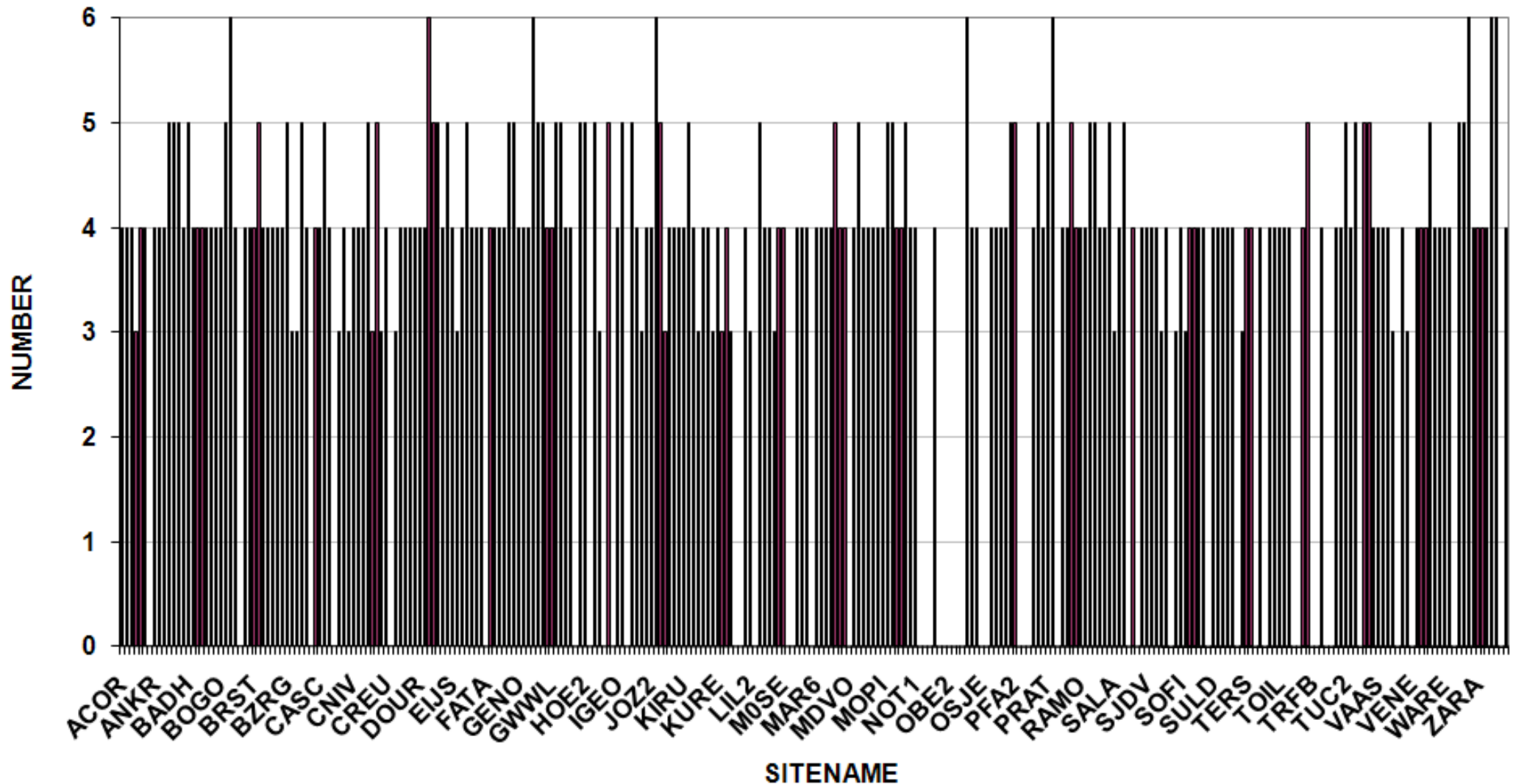


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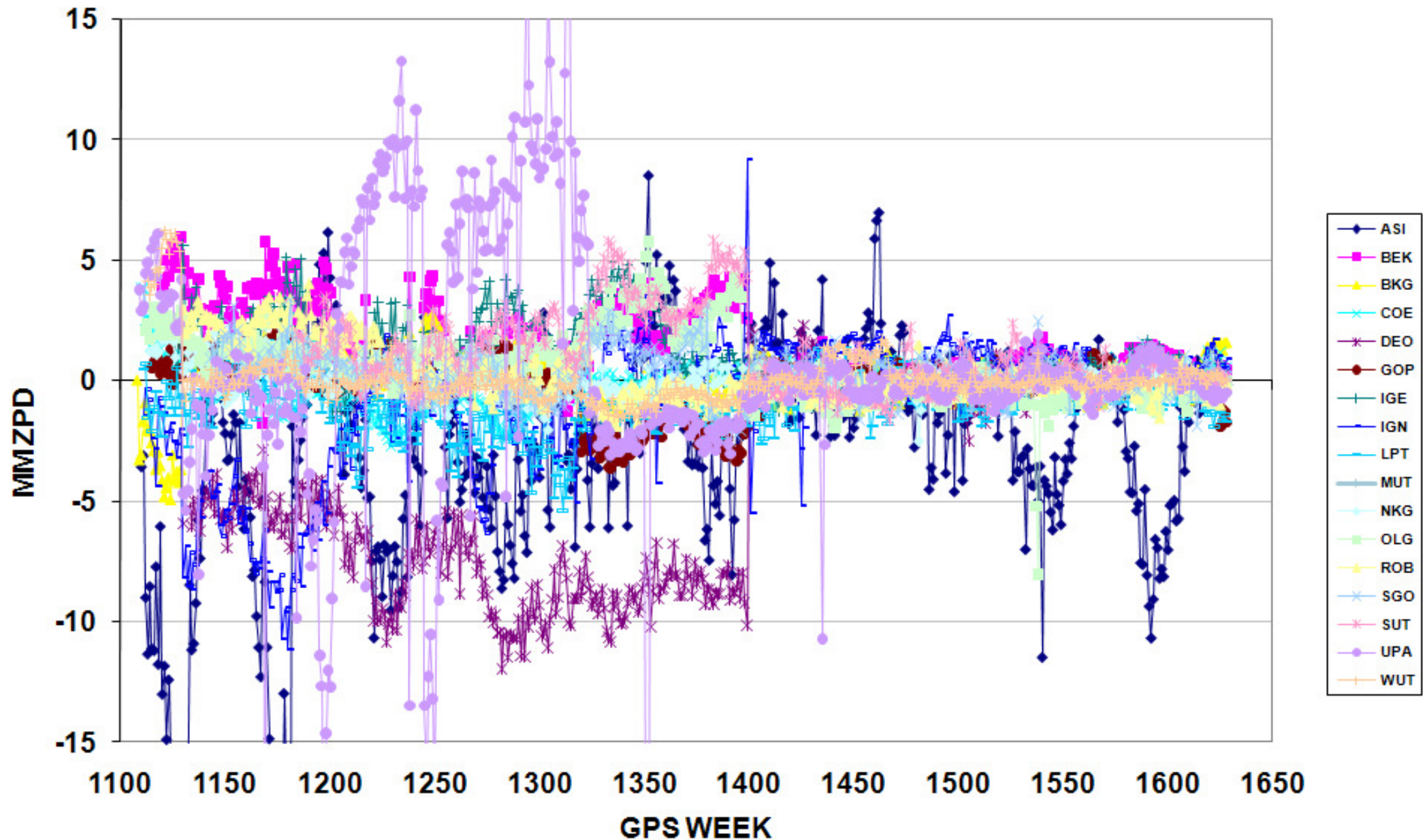


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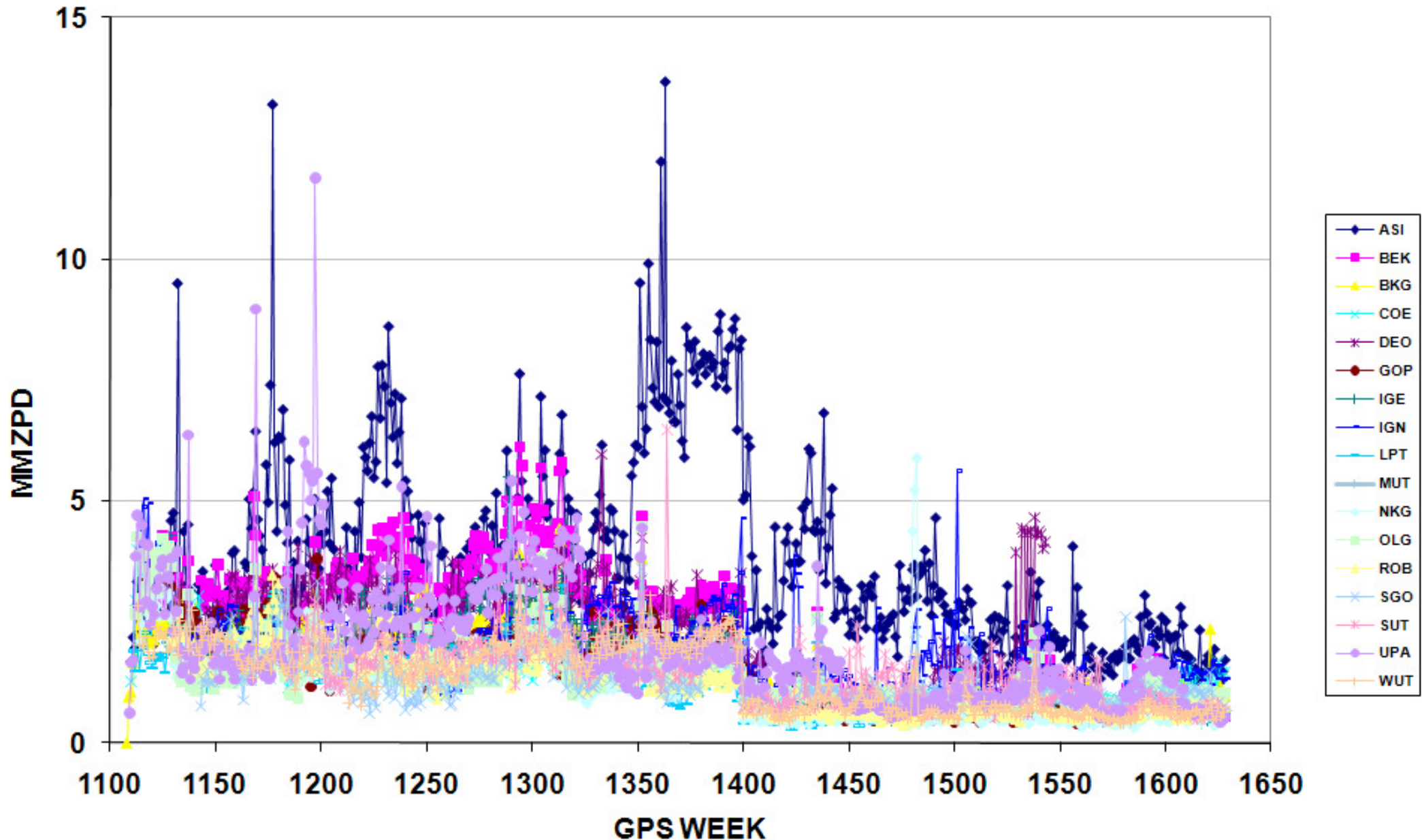


ZPD processing & combination: weekly mean bias





ZPD processing & combination: st.dev. of weekly mean bias

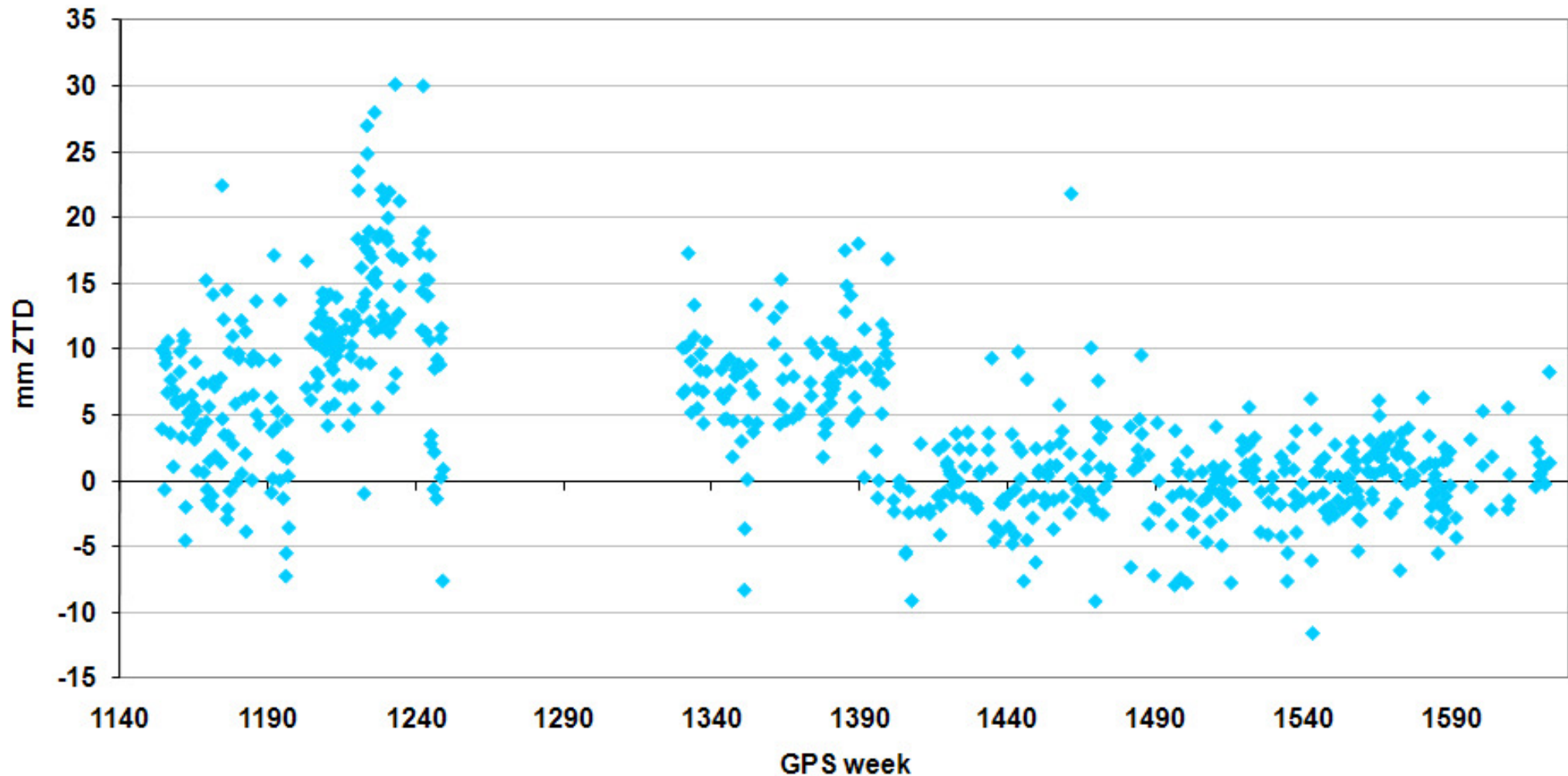




- **Comparison with VLBI results**
- **Combination within International VLBI Service (IVS) by R. Heinkelmann (TU Vienna, now DGFI)**
- **IVS results available since GPS week 1147**
- **Only few co-locations with EPN stations available**

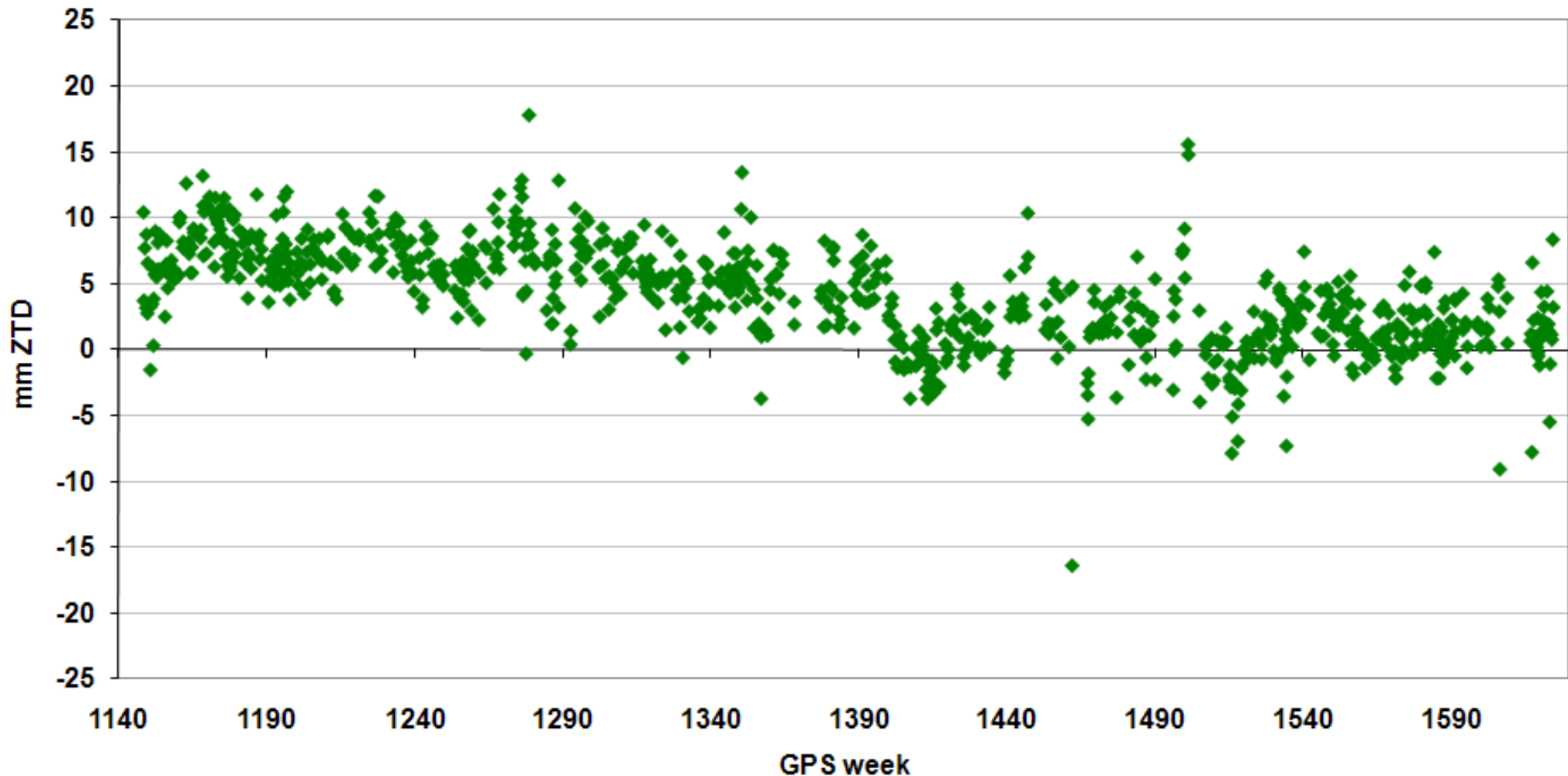


**ZTD bias IVS combined solution minus EUR combined solution for Matera,
DeltaH=+7.7 m (not corrected for)
Mean: (1147-1399) +8.6 +/- 6.1 // (1400-1624) +0.0 +/- 3.4 mm ZTD**



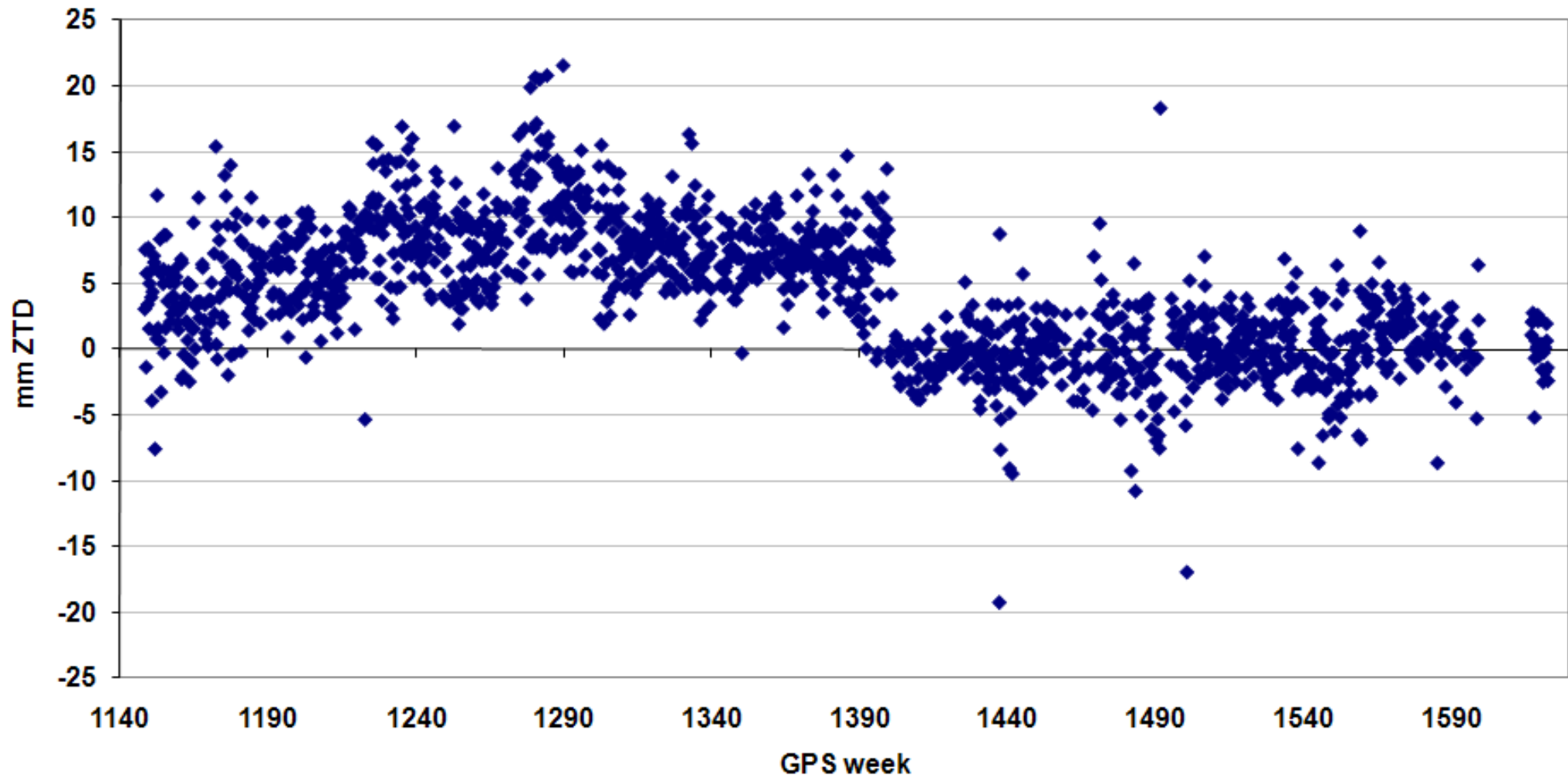


**ZTD bias IVS combined solution minus EUR combined solution for Ny Alesund,
DeltaH=3.1 m (not corrected for)
Mean: (1147-1399) +6.5 +/- 2.6 // (1400-1624) +1.3 +/- 2.9 mm ZTD**





**ZTD bias IVS combined solution minus EUR combined solution for Wettzell,
DeltaH=3.1 m (not corrected for)
Mean: (1147-1399) +7.4 +/- 3.6 // (1400-1624) -0.0 +/- 3.0 mm ZTD**





- **Comparison with Radiosonde (RS) results**
- **Thanks to the MoU between EUREF and EUMETNET**
- **Started April 2008**
- **RS data available since January 2004**
- **226 RS available at all**
- **Program by H. Vedel (DMI) used**
- **On EPN webpage available since May 2008**
- **„Co-location“ criterion < 0.6 degree used (too loose?
E.g. EIJS and EUSK (distance 77 km) use same RS)**
- **99 EPN stations (September 2010) (stations with very
sparse time series manually removed)**

MORE INFORMATION

METEO DATA: available

SATELLITE SYSTEM: GPS

Data Processing

BY

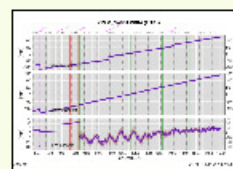
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LPT	0834	now
MUT	1558	now
OLG	0834	now
SUT	0834	now

COMBINED SOLUTIONS

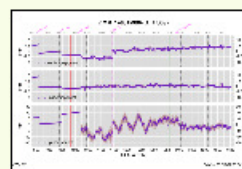
EXCLUSION PERIODS

- 305/1998 (GPSweek No 0982) - 311/1998 (GPSweek No 0982) : antenna change.

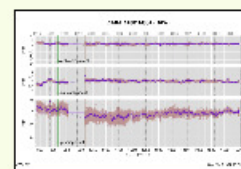
TIME SERIES



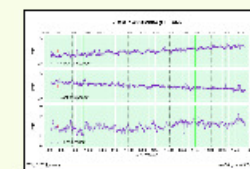
ITRS



ETRS89

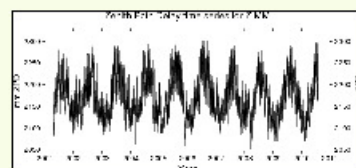


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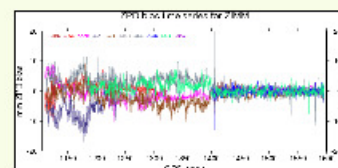


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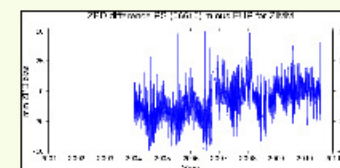
TROPOSPHERE



Zenith path delay time series



Daily ZPD biases from EUREF combination



ZPD radiosonde biases

Mails and Remarks

EUREF MAILS

No 5472 (16-Oct-2010) - ZIM2/ZIMM hourly/daily data again available (by E. Brockmann)

View

IGS STATION MAILS

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IGS MAILS

Due to the modification of the IGS mail archives (see [announcement](#)) the direct links to the IGS mails related to ZIMM are momentarily not available. However, these mails are still available from the [IGS Central Bureau web site](#).

REMARKS

[Official station web site.](#)



EUREF HOME

EUREF Permanent Network



EPN CB HOME

ORGANISATION

Creation, Management, Structure,
Relation to IGS, Projects, Guidelines,
FAQ

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Equipment & calibration, Site
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Products, Time series, ETRS89/ITRS
transformation, Formats

NEWS & MAILS

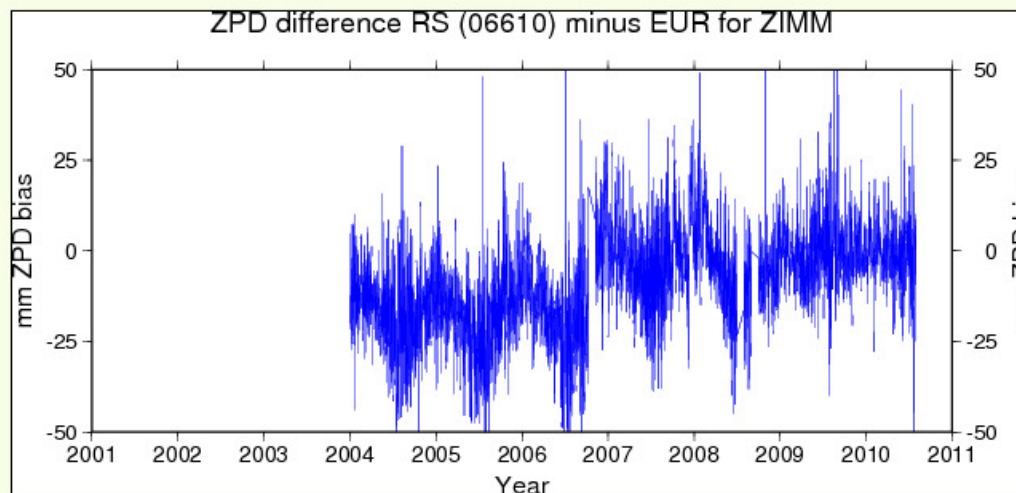
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ZPD RADIOSONDE BIASES

**Explanations****Purpose**

- Validate EUREF combined Zenith Path Delay (ZPD) parameters with ZPD derived from radiosonde (RS) data at co-located sites
- Variations and differences are influenced by the horizontal distance between the two stations
- Time series of differences reflect changes in analysis strategy

Procedure

- Download of RS data provided by EUMETNET, based on the EUREF-EUMETNET MoU
- Processing ZPD parameters (software provided by H. Vedel, Danish Meteorological Institute (DMI))
- Geoid undulations at co-located sites are taken into account
- Differences at co-located sites for identical points in time



EPN troposphere reprocessing

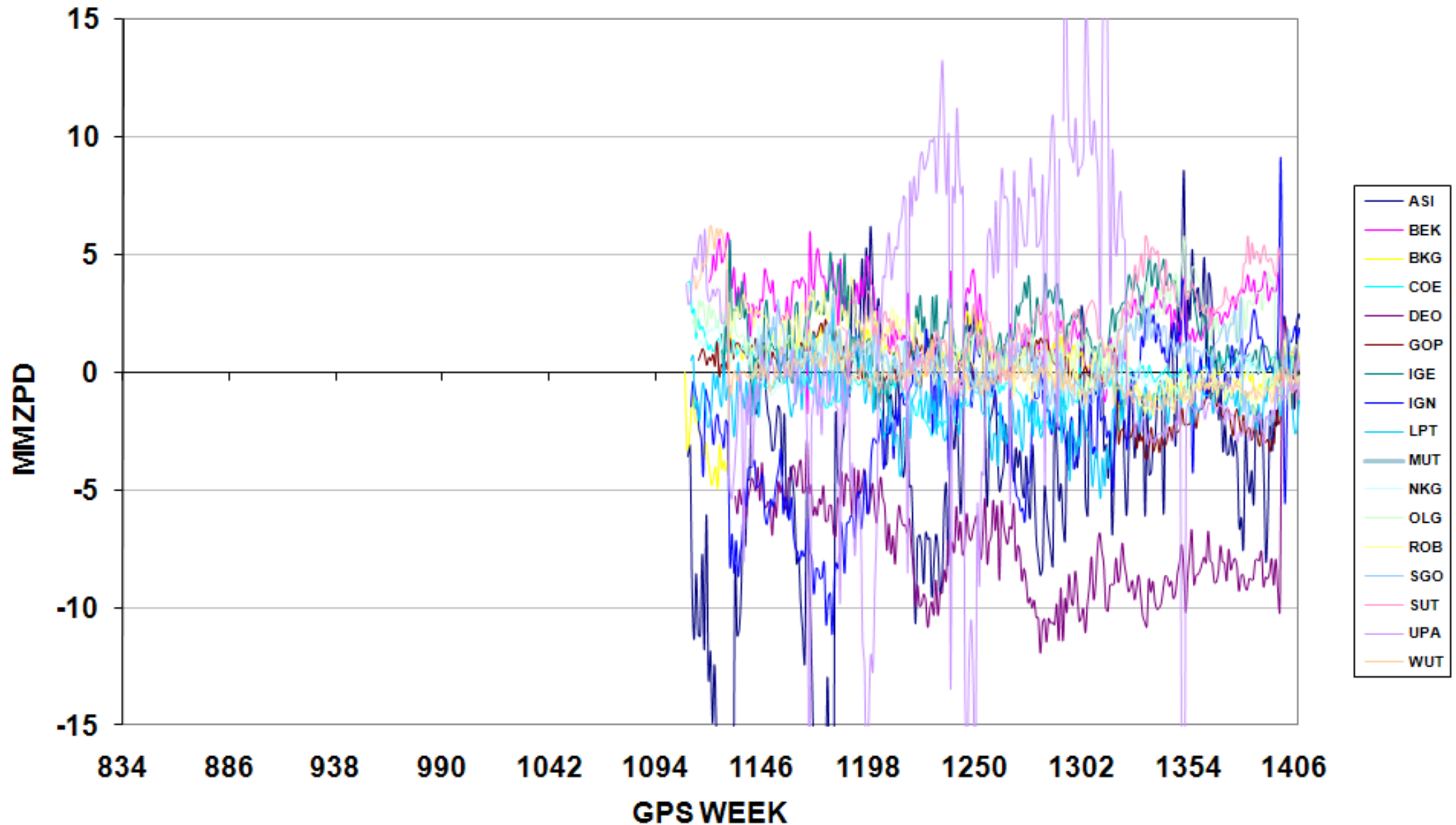


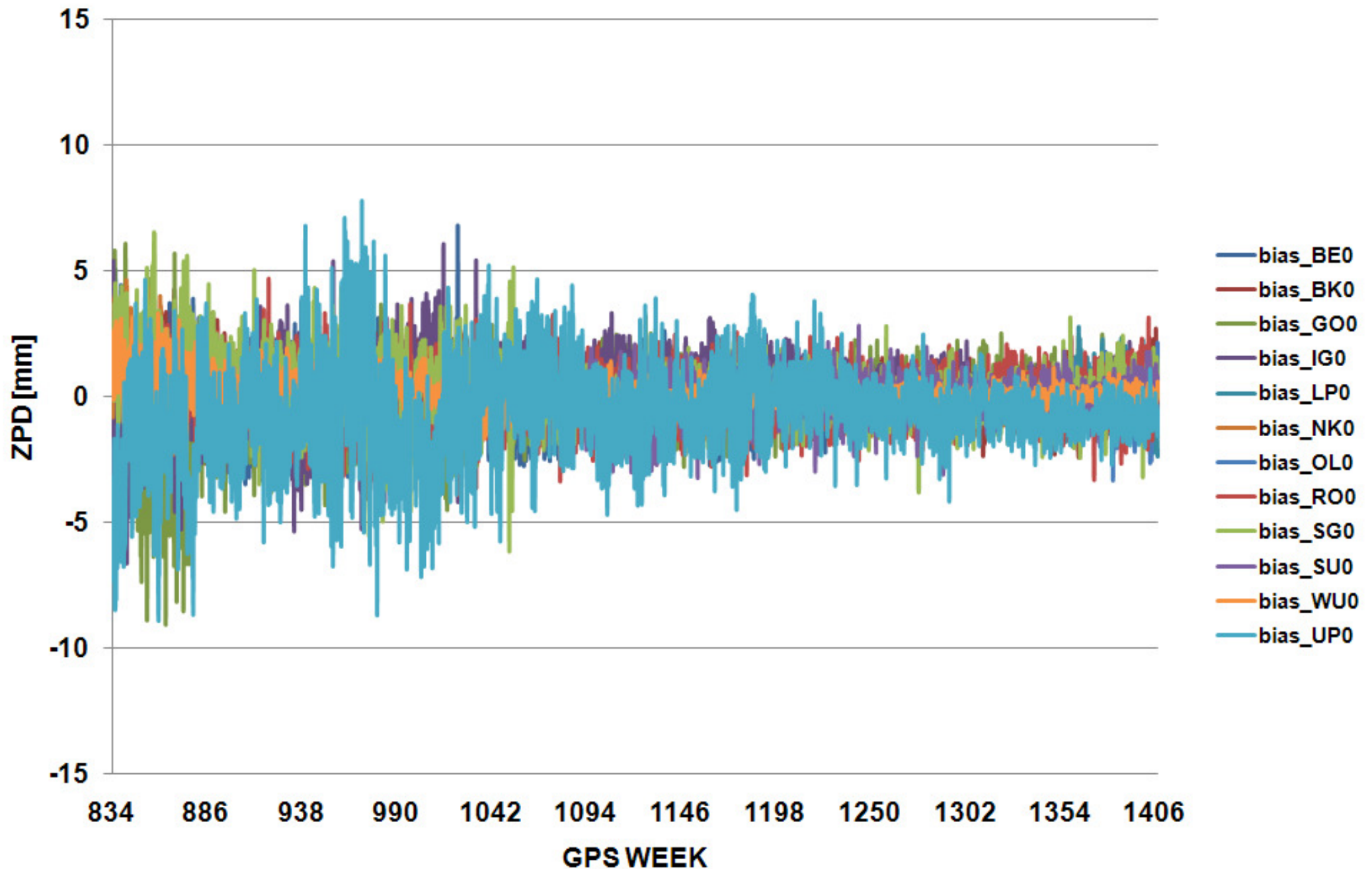
ZPD re-processing & combination: status of TRO files

- **AS_:** 1304 – 1408, sampling rate 300 seconds, GIPSY
- **BE0:** 0835 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **DEO:** 0835 – 0864, 1356 – 1357, sampling rate 300 seconds, GIPSY
- **GO0:** 0835 – 1585, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **IG0:** 0834 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **LP0:** 1356 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **MU0:** 1356 – 1409, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **NK0:** 0835 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **OL0:** 1356 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **RO0:** 0834 – 1412, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **SG0:** 0835 – 1459, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **SU0:** 1094 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **UP0:** 0834 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW
- **WU0:** 0834 – 1408, sampling rate 3600 seconds, BSW



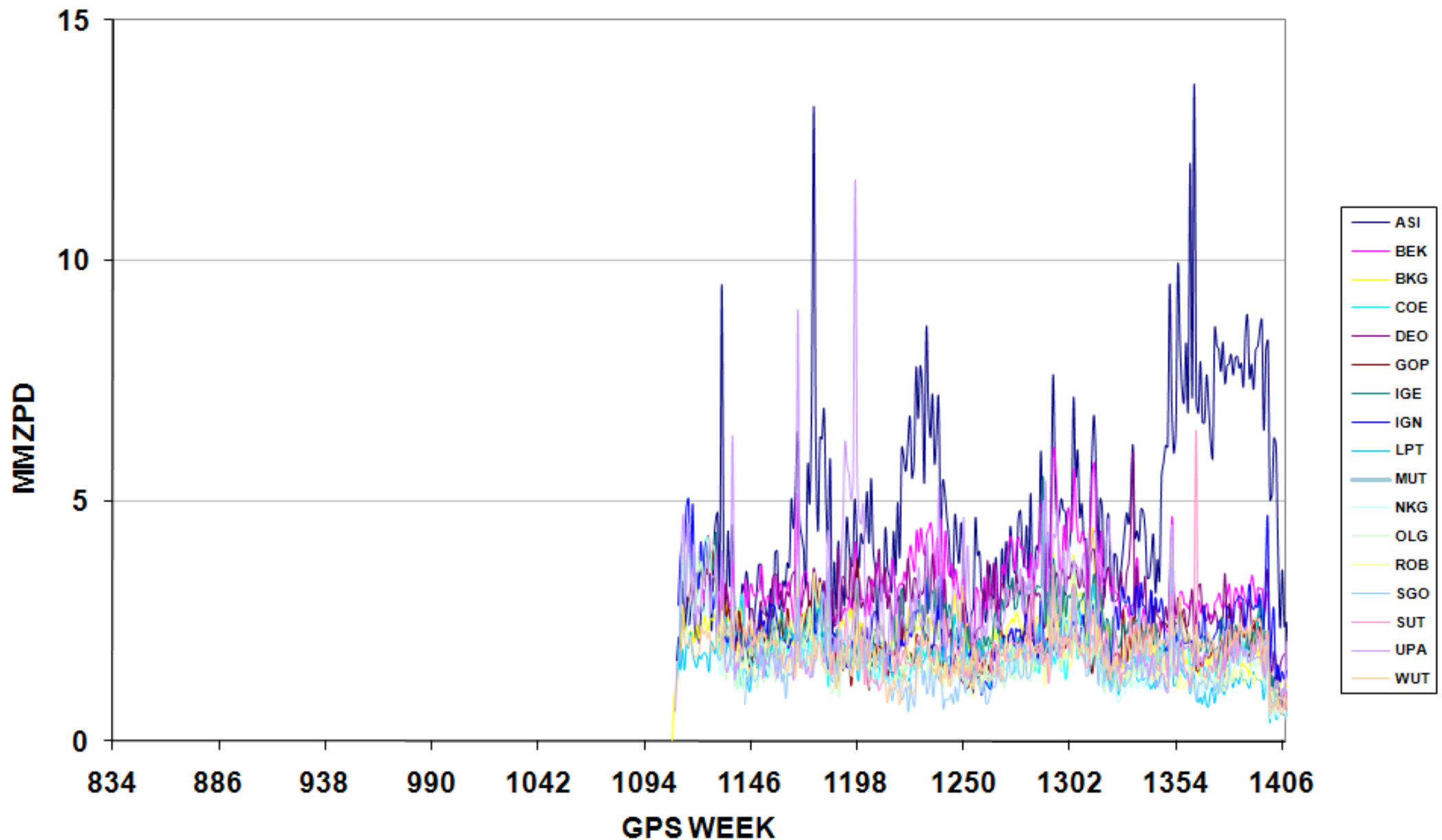
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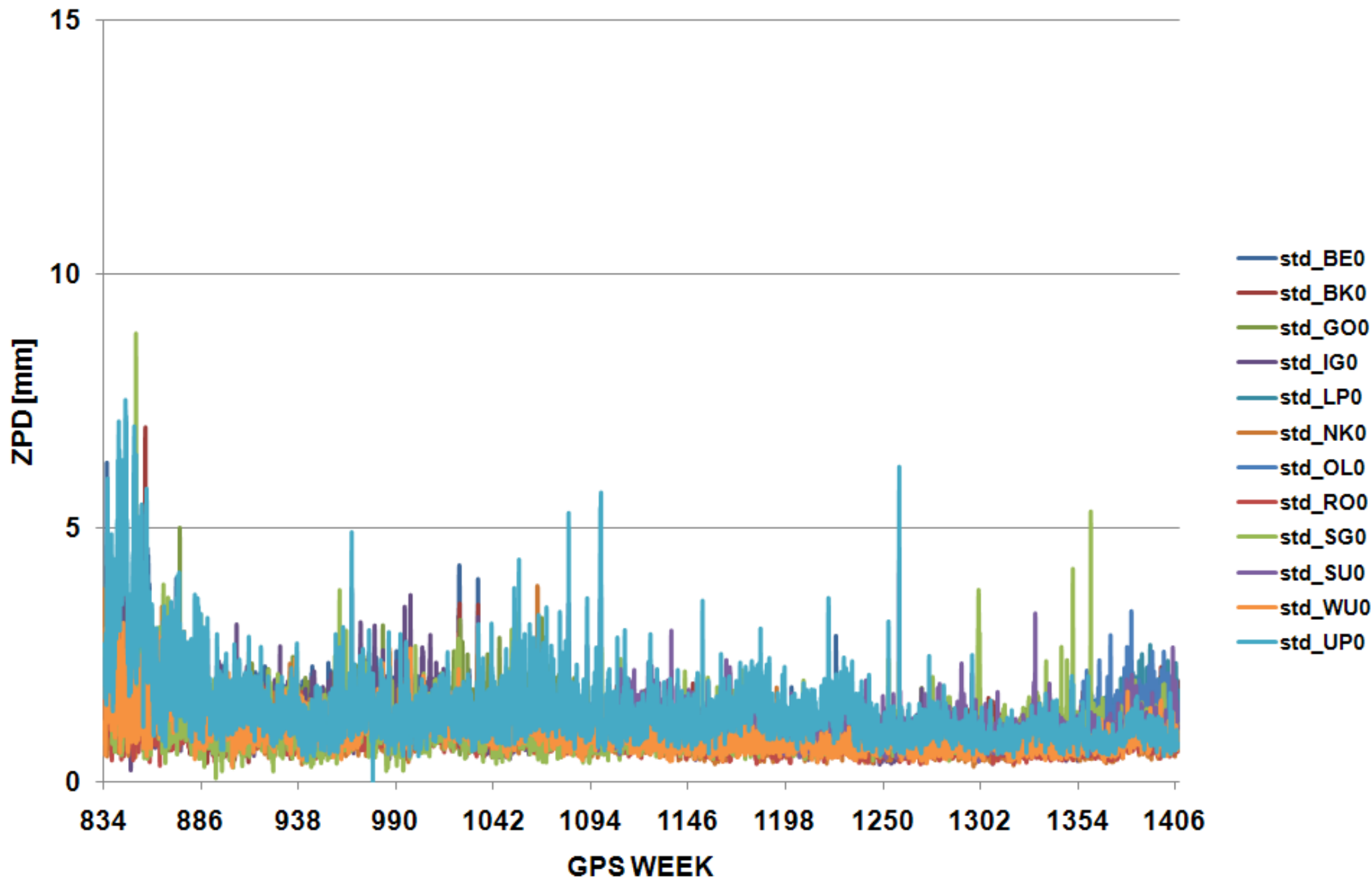


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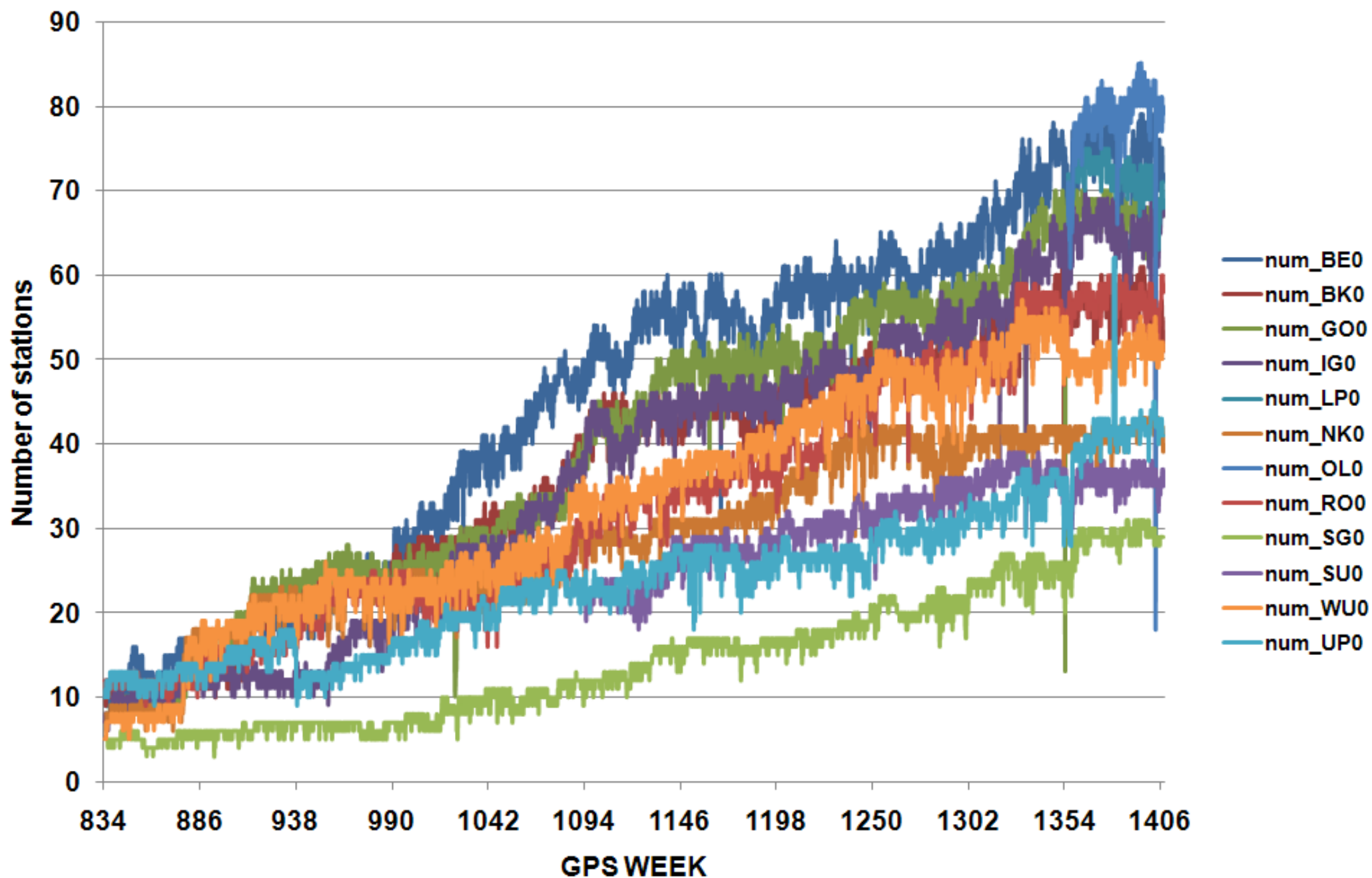


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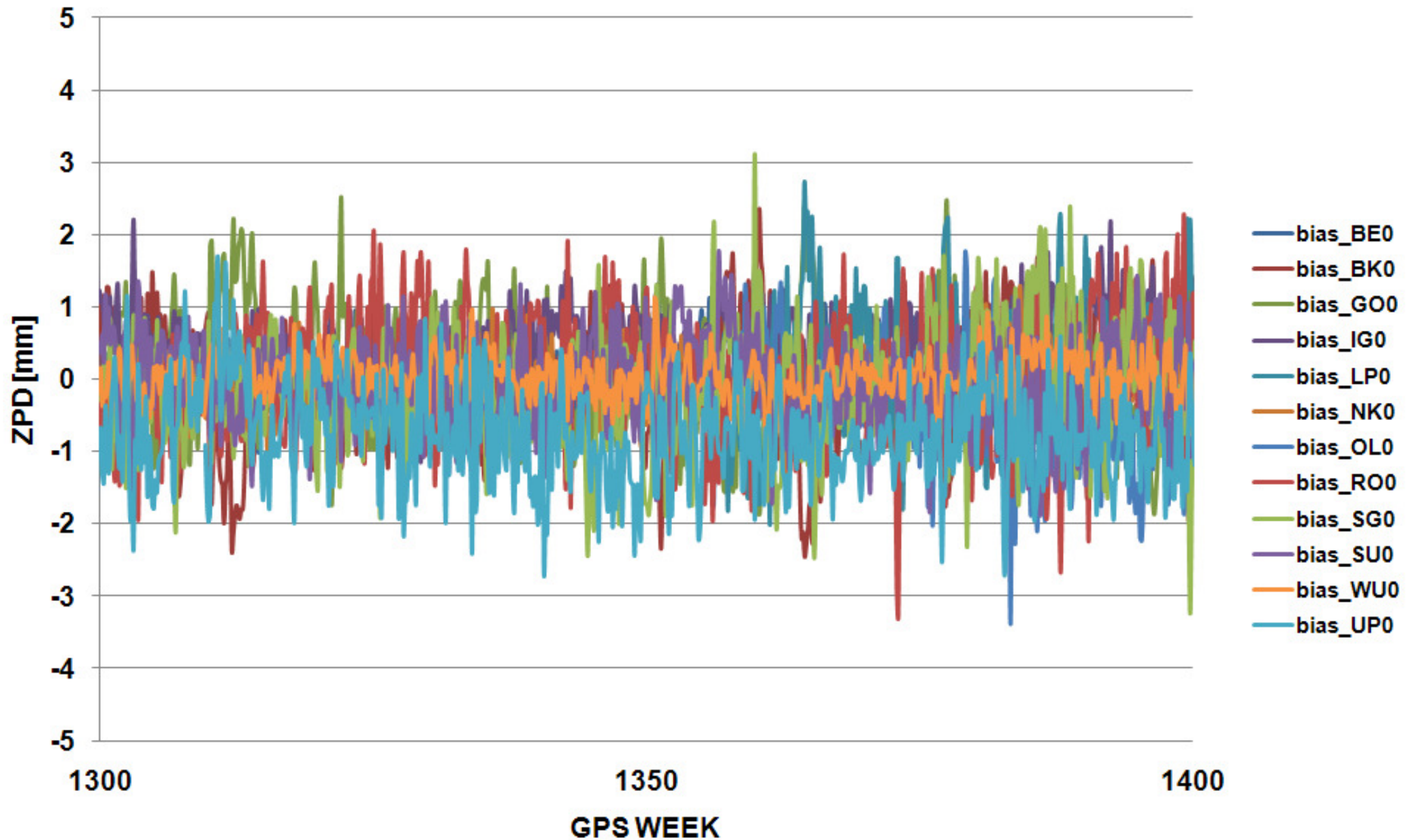


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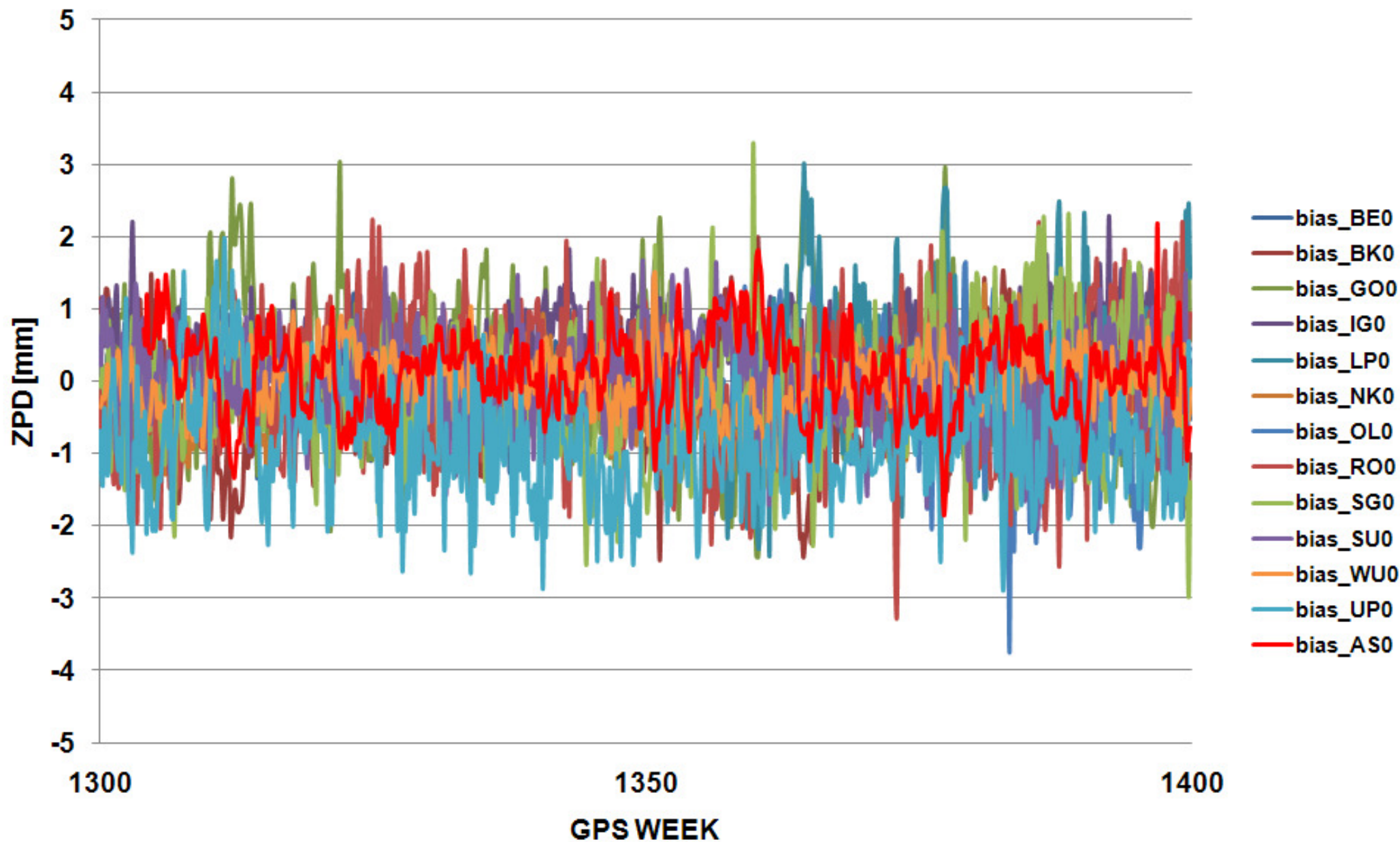


REPRO: daily mean biases w.r.t. combination





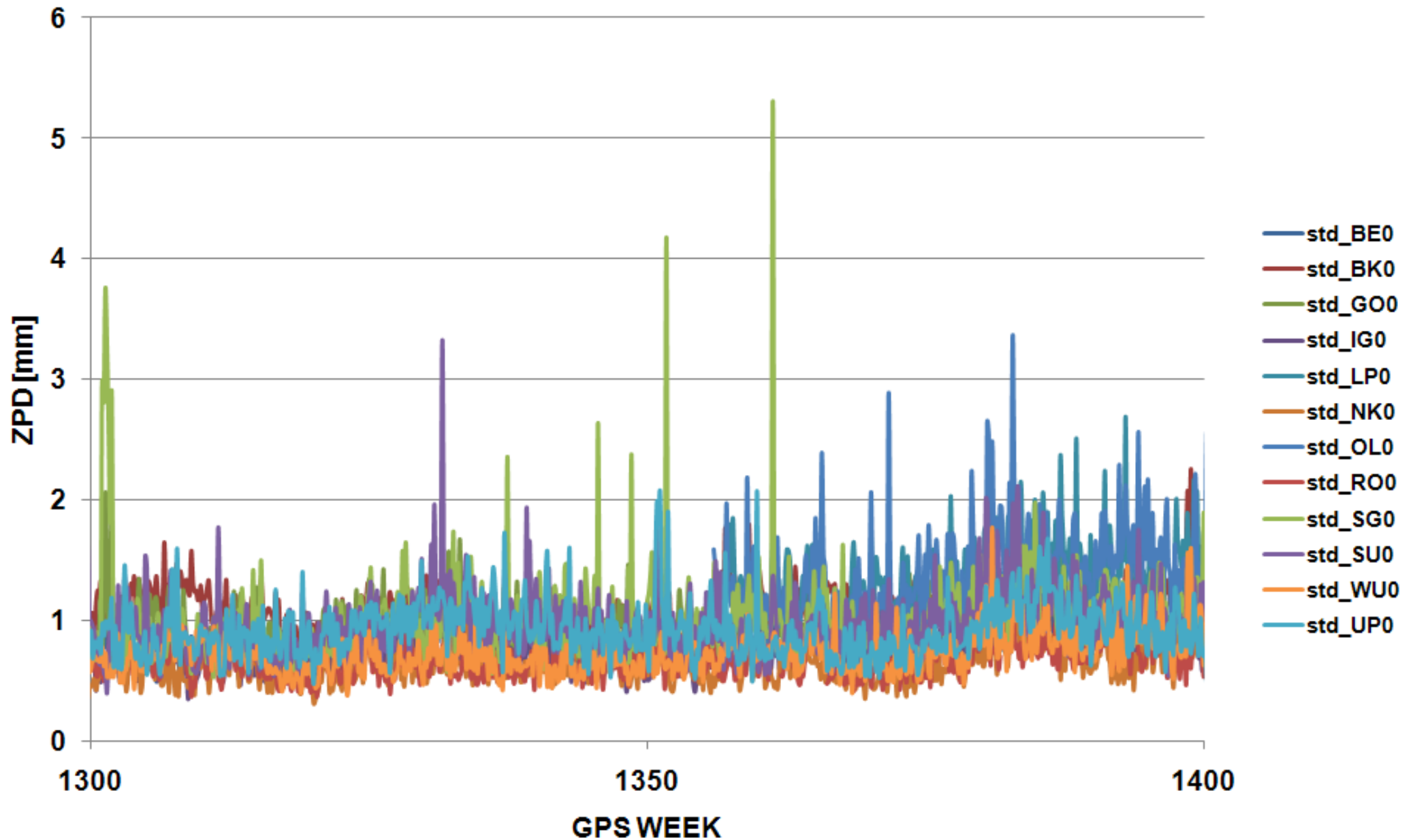
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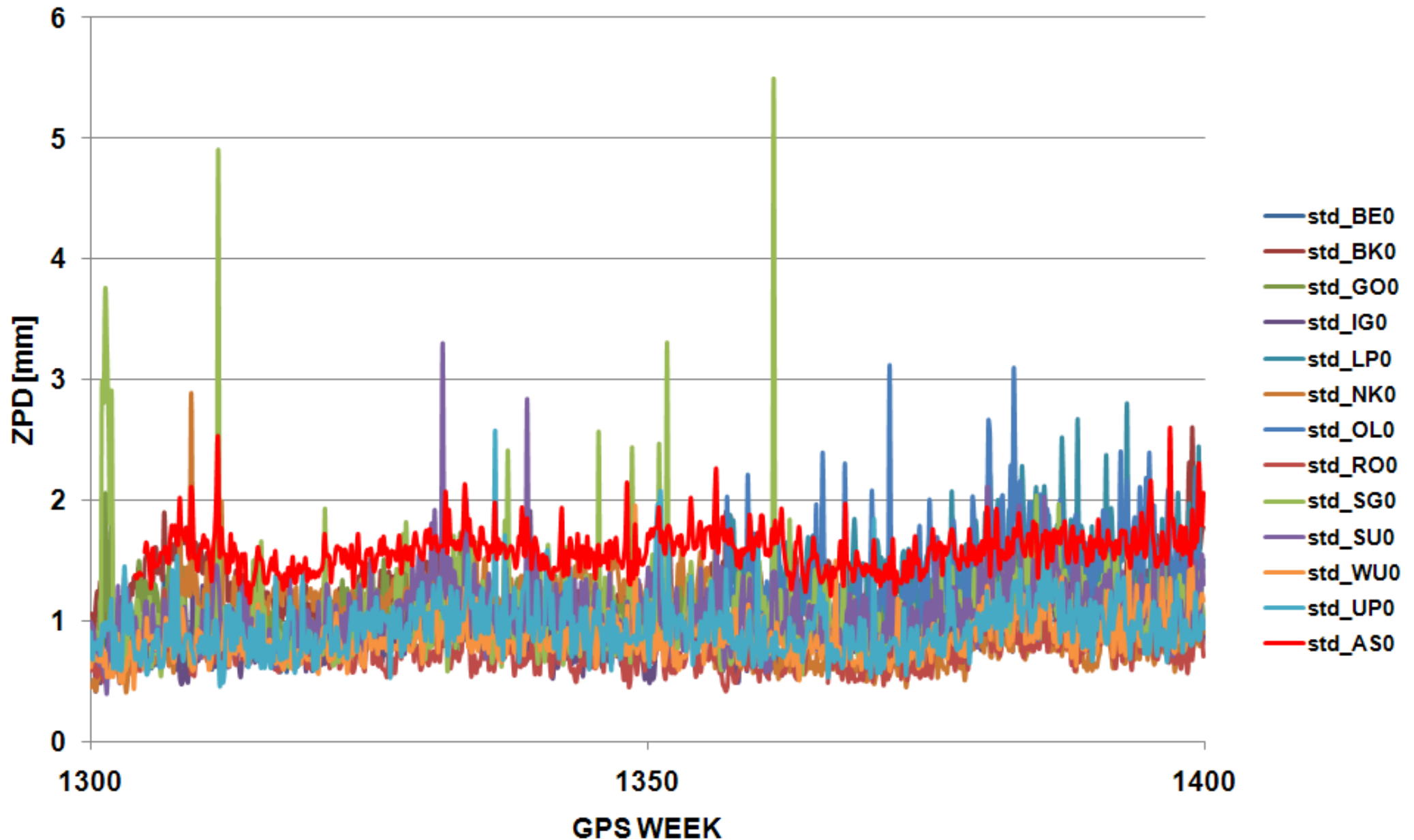
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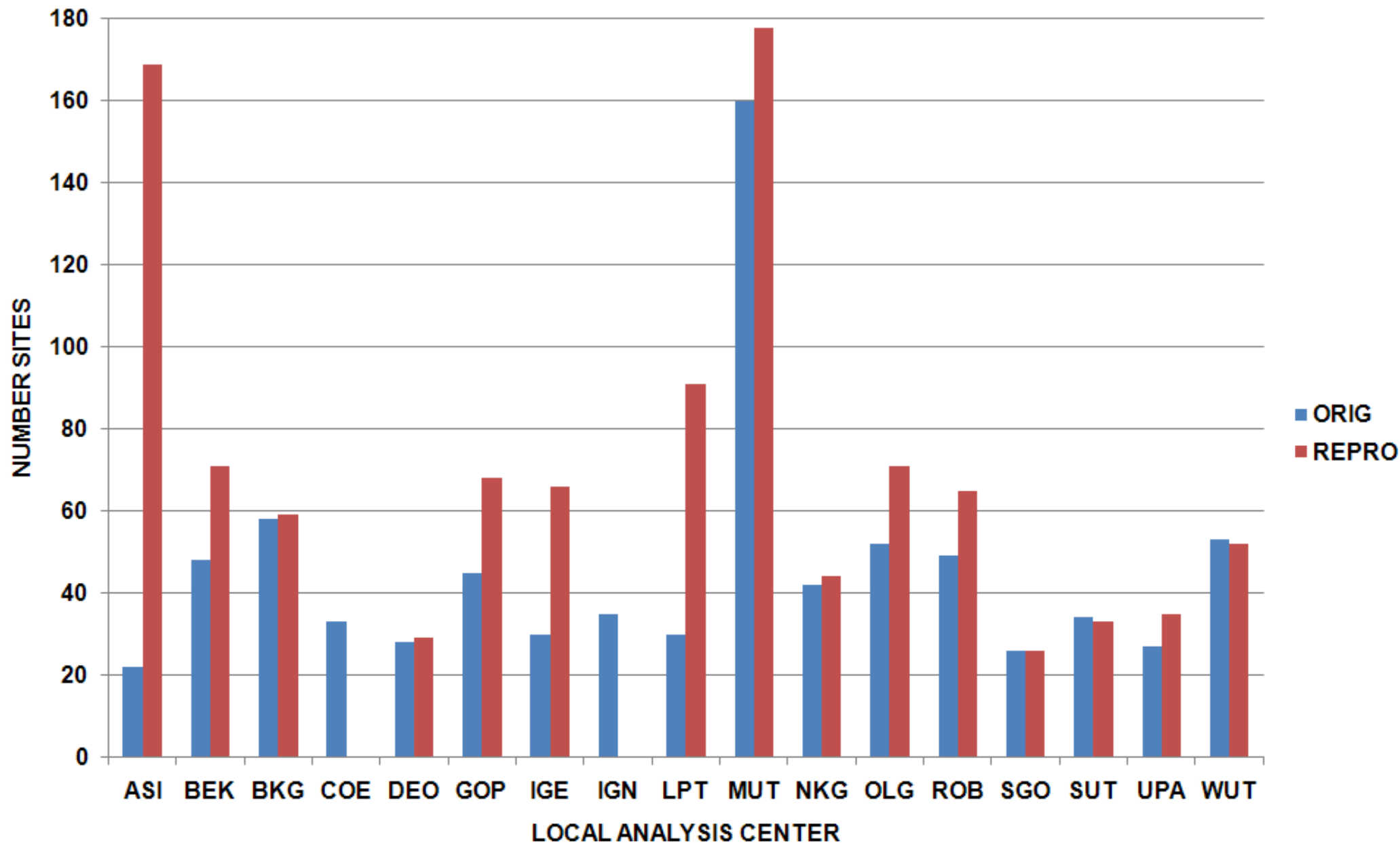
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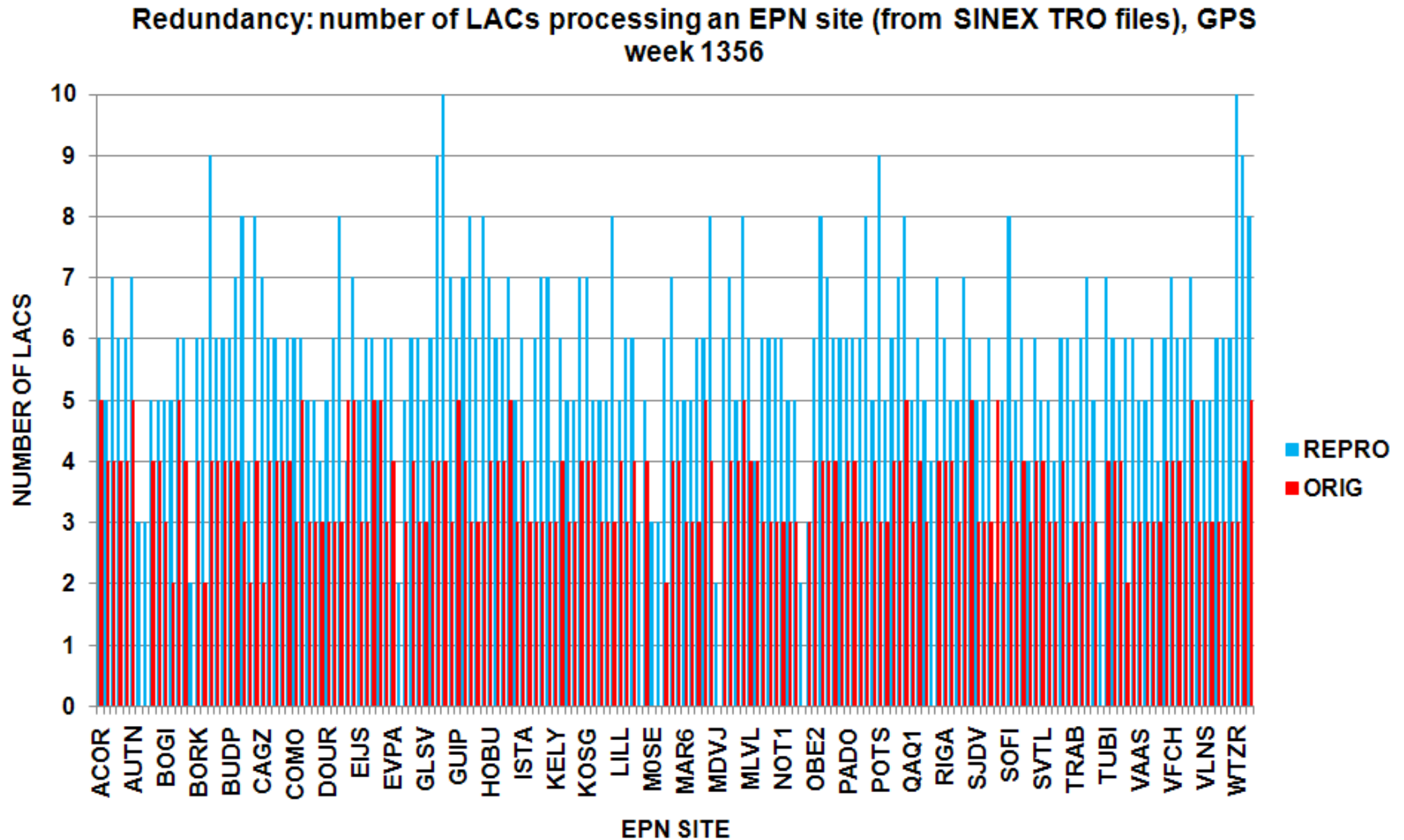


ZPD re-processing & combination

Number of Sites per LAC within SINEX TRO files (GPS weeks 1356 and 1357)



ZPD re-processing & combination





ZPD re-processing & combination: conclusions

- **Visible improvement of reprocessed TRO solutions with regard to daily mean biases and stdev**
- **Increasing number of stations in the individual LACs contributions (~ 20 %) → all of them acceptable for EPN reprocessing?**
- **Increasing redundancy (~ 60 %)**
- **Increasing number of estimated parameters (~ 40 %)**