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**Projecting the response of Greenland’s peripheral glaciers to future climate change: glacier losses, sea level impact, freshwater contributions, and peak water timing**

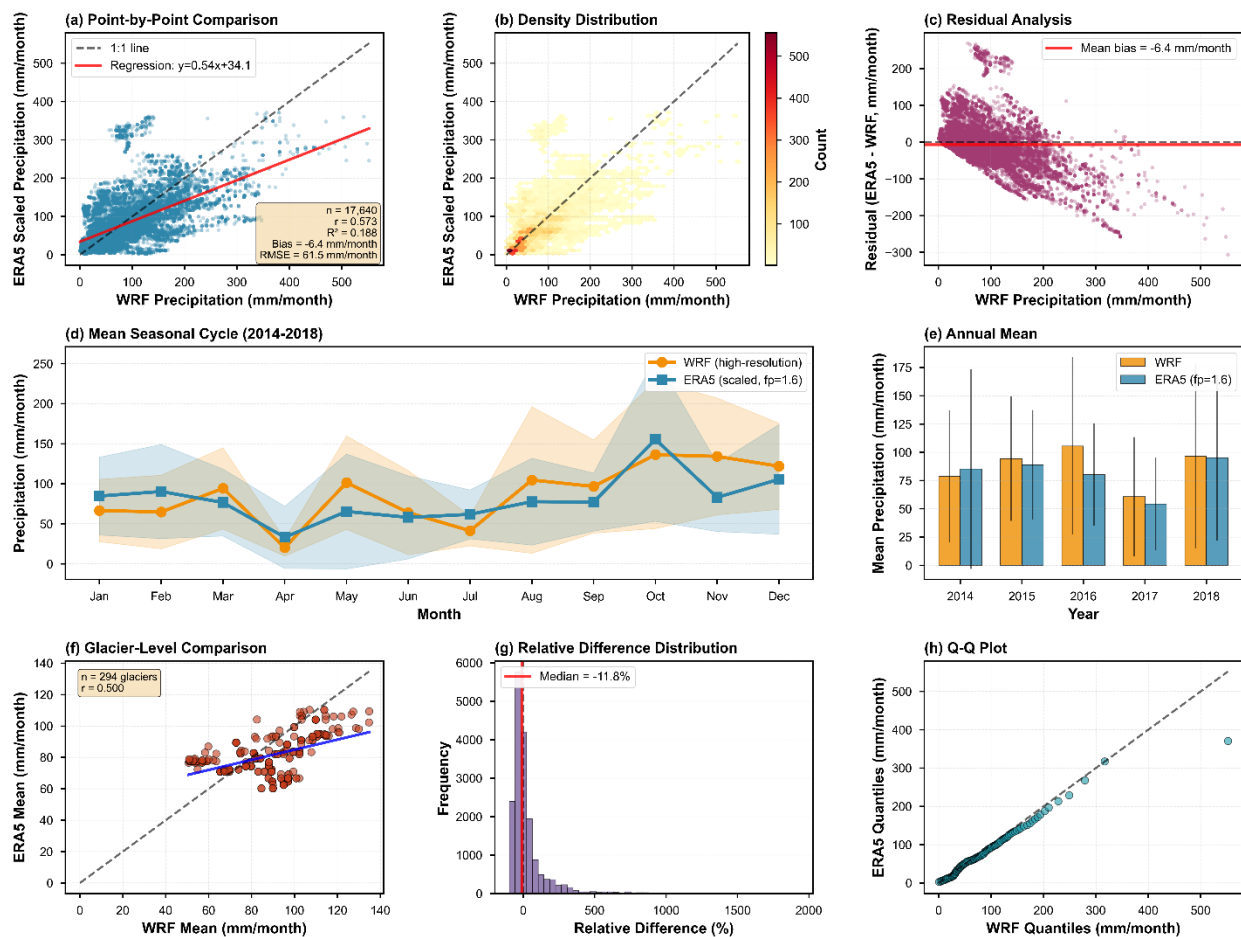
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# Supplementary Information

## Sect. S1. Validation of ERA5 Scaled Precipitation Against WRF High-Resolution Data



**Figure S1: Validation of precipitation scaling factor ( $fp = 1.6$ ) against WRF high-resolution data for regional application.** (a) Point-by-point comparison showing moderate correlation ( $r = 0.57$ ) and small systematic underestimation. The regression line ( $y = 0.54x + 34.1$ ) indicates reasonable linear relationship with slight bias. (b) Density distribution revealing concentration of data points near 1:1 line at lower precipitation rates. (c) Residual analysis demonstrates small mean bias (6.4 mm per month) with no systematic pattern versus precipitation magnitude. (d) Mean seasonal cycle (2014-2018) showing ERA5 ( $fp = 1.6$ ) captures seasonal pattern but systematically underestimates peak months. Shaded areas represent  $\pm 1$  standard deviation. (e) Annual means demonstrating similar interannual variability between datasets. Error bars show  $\pm 1$  standard deviation. (f) Glacier-level comparison ( $n = 294$ ) revealing consistent underestimation across spatial domain ( $r = 0.50$ ). (g) Relative difference distribution showing median underestimation of 11.8%. (h) Quantile-quantile plot demonstrates reasonable agreement across precipitation distribution with slight bias toward underestimation at higher values.

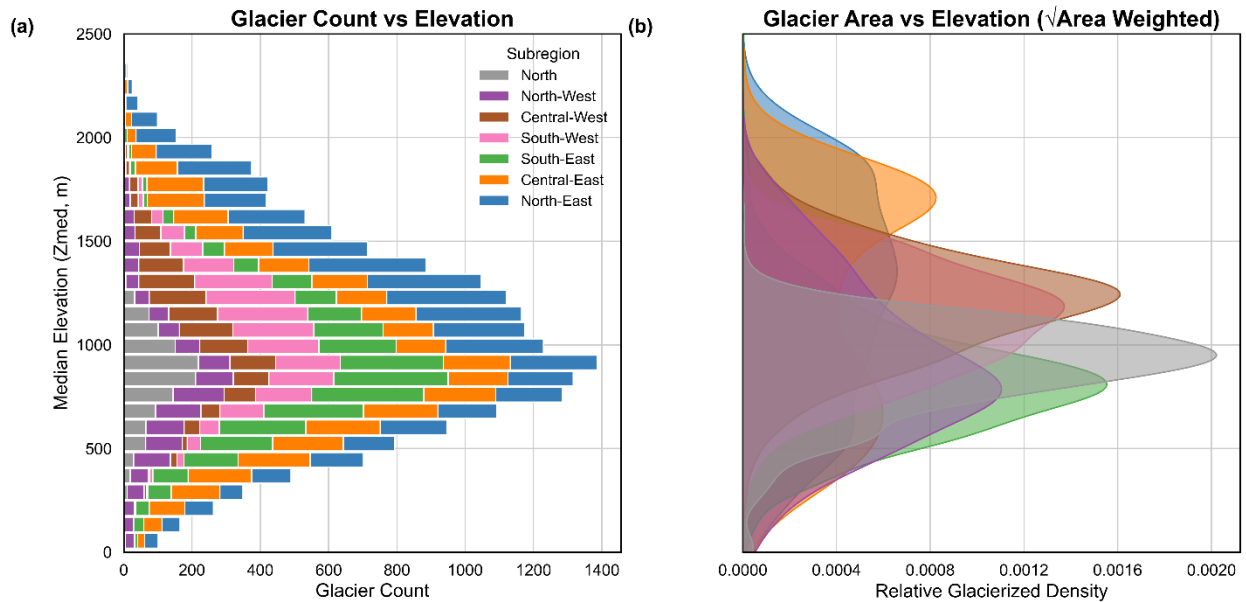
## Sect. S2. OGGM Parameters

**Table S1.** OGGM Parameters for Greenland Peripheral Glaciers.

Category	Parameter	Symbol	Value / Range	Type	Calibration Method	Source / Reference
<b>Mass Balance Parameters</b>	Precipitation factor	$f_p$	1.6	Fixed	Global calibration against WGMS reference glaciers	Maussion et al. (2019)
	Temperature sensitivity	$\mu$	Glacier-specific (median: 5.0 mm w.e. /K month <sup>-1</sup> , range: 0–200)	Calibrated	Individual calibration using geodetic mass balance and frontal ablation observations	This study, following Malles et al. (2023)
	Melt temperature threshold	$T_{melt}$	-1 °C	Fixed	Standard OGGM default	Maussion et al. (2019)
	Temperature lapse rate	$\gamma$	-6.5 K km <sup>-1</sup>	Fixed	Regional calibration for Arctic applications	OGGM default
	Solid precipitation threshold	$T_{solid}$	0 °C	Fixed	Standard OGGM default	Maussion et al. (2019)
	Liquid precipitation threshold	$T_{liquid}$	2 °C	Fixed	Standard OGGM default	Maussion et al. (2019)
<b>Ice Dynamics Parameters</b>	Glen's flow law exponent	$n$	3	Fixed	Standard ice rheology	Glen (1955)
	Ice density	$\rho_{ice}$	900 kg m <sup>-3</sup>	Fixed	Standard value	Cuffey and Paterson (2010)
	Glen's creep parameter	$A$	$2.4 \times 10^{-24} \text{ Pa}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Fixed	Standard for temperate ice	Cuffey and Paterson (2010)
	Sliding parameter	$f_s$	$10^{-20} \text{ m}^2 \text{ Pa}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Fixed	Maintain numerical stabilities	Malles et al. (2023)

<b>Frontal Ablation Parameters</b>	Water-depth sensitivity	$k$	Glacier-specific (median: 0.65 yr/, range: 0-3.0)	Calibrated	Iterative calibration to match observed frontal ablation	This study, following Malles et al. (2023)
	Ocean water density	$\rho_o C_{ocean}$	1028 kg m <sup>-3</sup>	Fixed	Standard ocean water density	—
	Fraction below waterline	$f_{bwl}$	0.75	Fixed	Assumption for volume retreat below waterline	Malles et al. (2023)
<b>Numerical Parameters</b>	Grid resolution	$\Delta x$	14 $\sqrt{S}$ + 10 m (bound: 10-200 m)	Dynamic	Automatic based on glacier area $S$ (km <sup>2</sup> )	Maussion et al. (2019)
	Time step	$\Delta t$	0.02 years	Fixed	Numerical stability requirement	OGGM default

### Sect. S3. Glacier Count & Area vs Elevation



**Figure S2.** Elevation distribution of Greenland’s peripheral glaciers by subregion. (a) Glacier count as a function of median glacier elevation ( $Z_{med}$ , m) for each subregion. (b) Glacier area distribution with elevation, expressed as the square-root area-weighted relative glacierized density for each subregion.

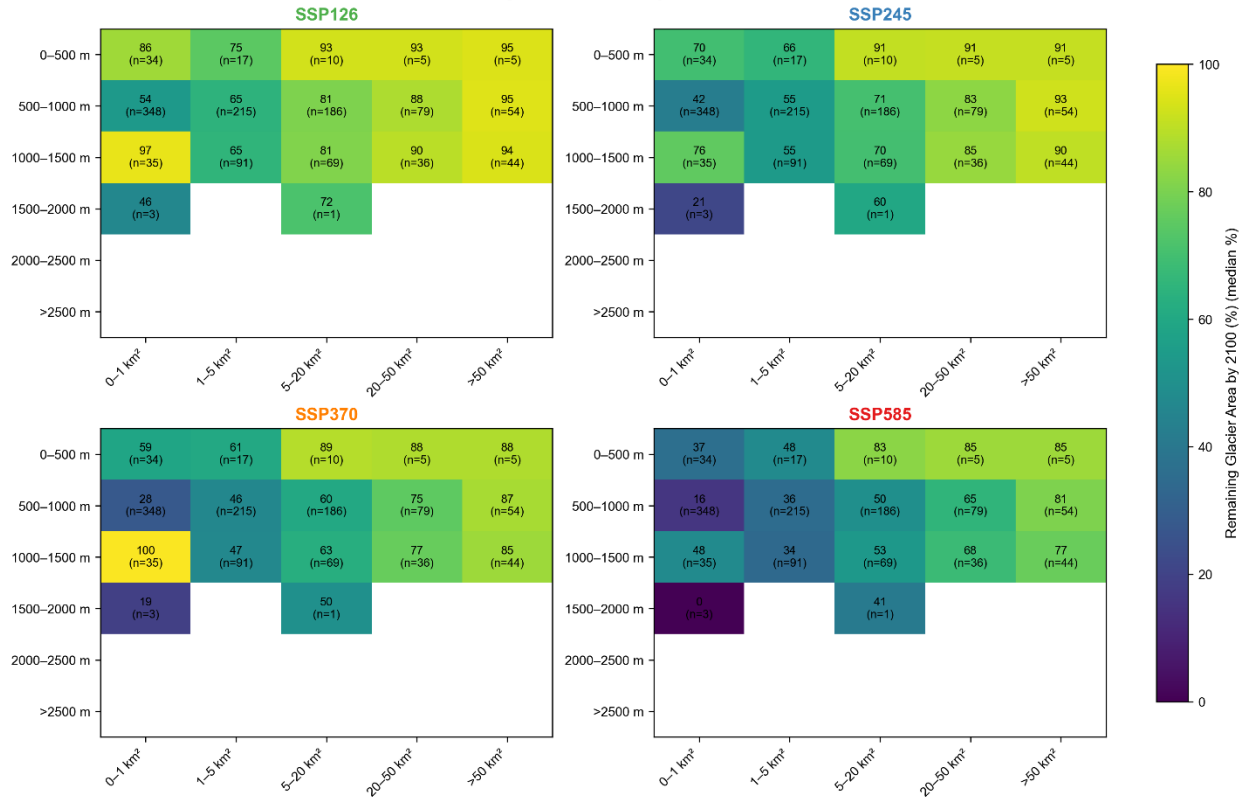
## Sect. S4. Initial Glacier Area & Elevation vs. Glacier Losses

### Sect. S4.1. Remaining Glacier Area

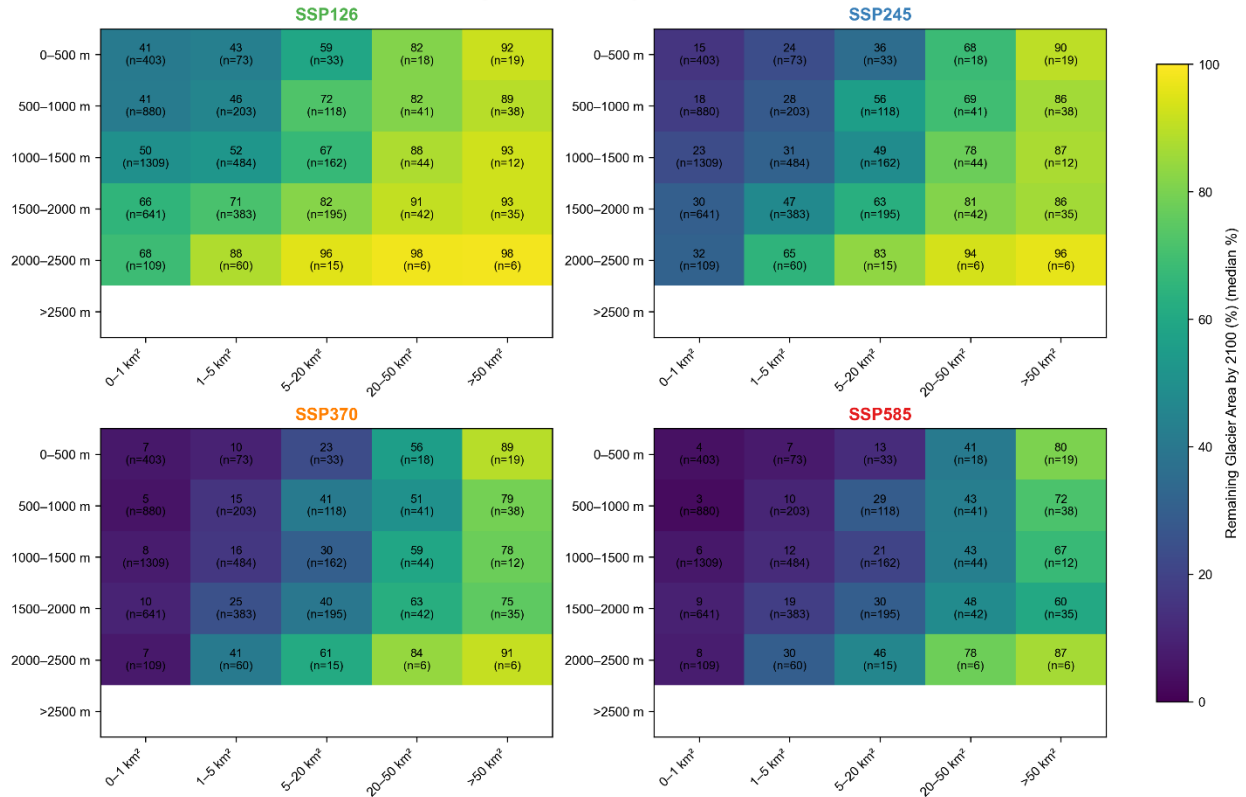
**Figure S3-S10. Remaining Glacier Area by 2100 (%) across subregions and emission scenarios.** Each panel shows the projected remaining glacier area by 2100 relative to 2020 under four SSP scenarios (SSP126, SSP245, SSP370, SSP585). The results are presented for (S3) Greenland-All, (S4) North, (S5) North-East, (S6) North-West, (S7) Central-East, (S8) Central-West, (S9) South-East, and (S10) South-West subregions. Glaciers are grouped by their initial area based on RIG v6.0 (x-axis) and median elevation (y-axis). Values within each grid cell denote the median percentage of remaining glacier area by 2100, with the number of glaciers in parentheses.



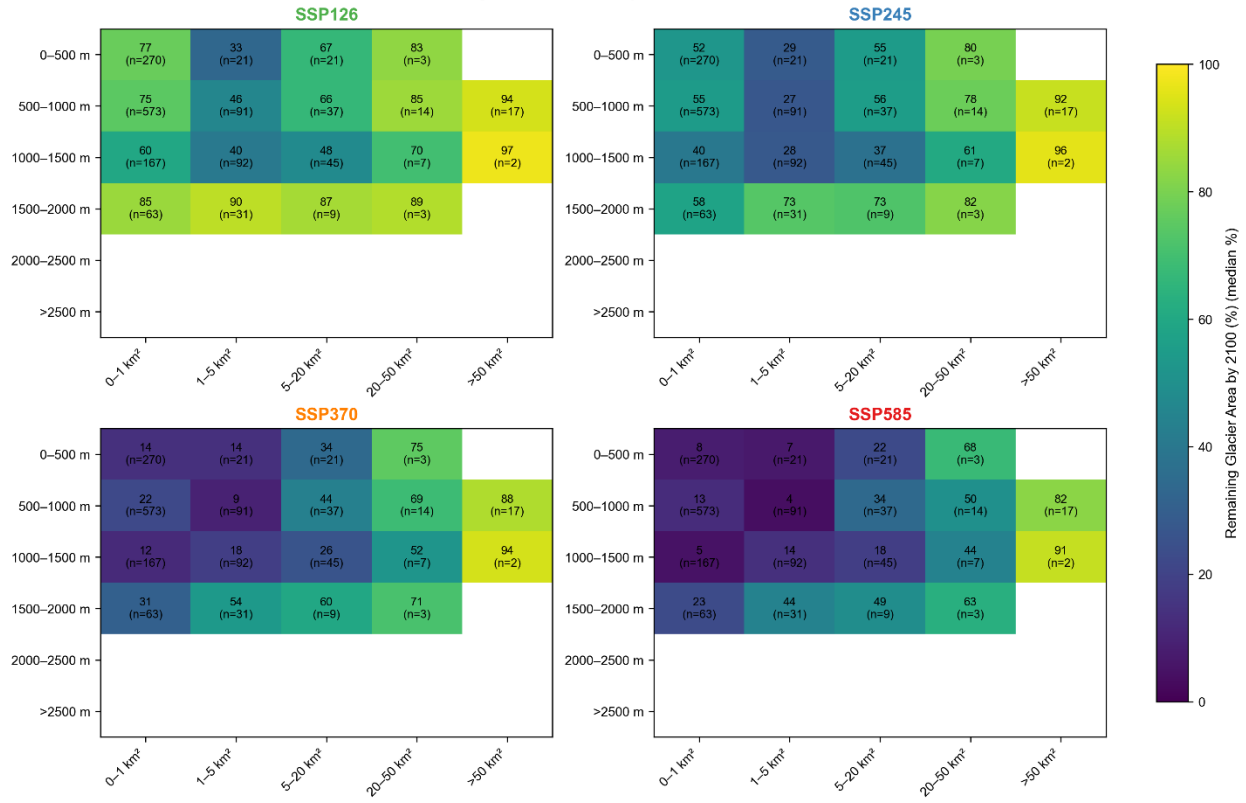
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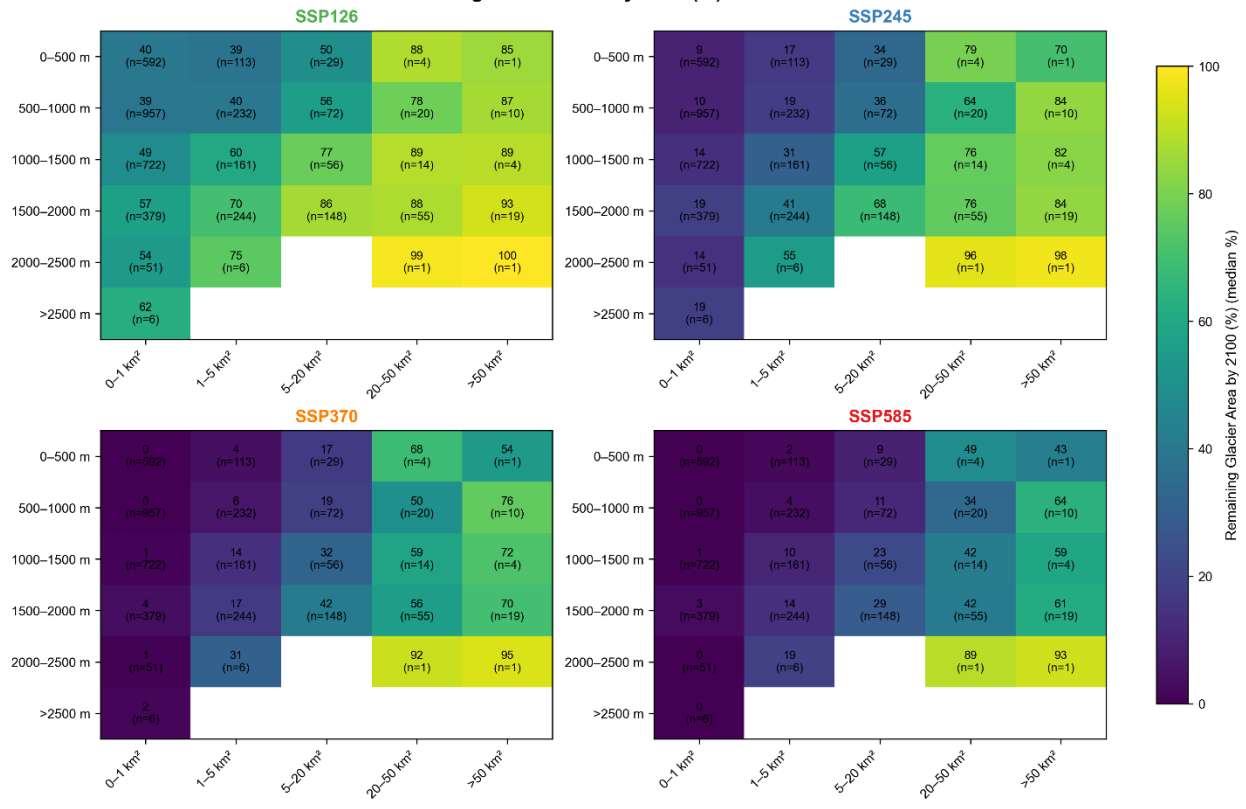
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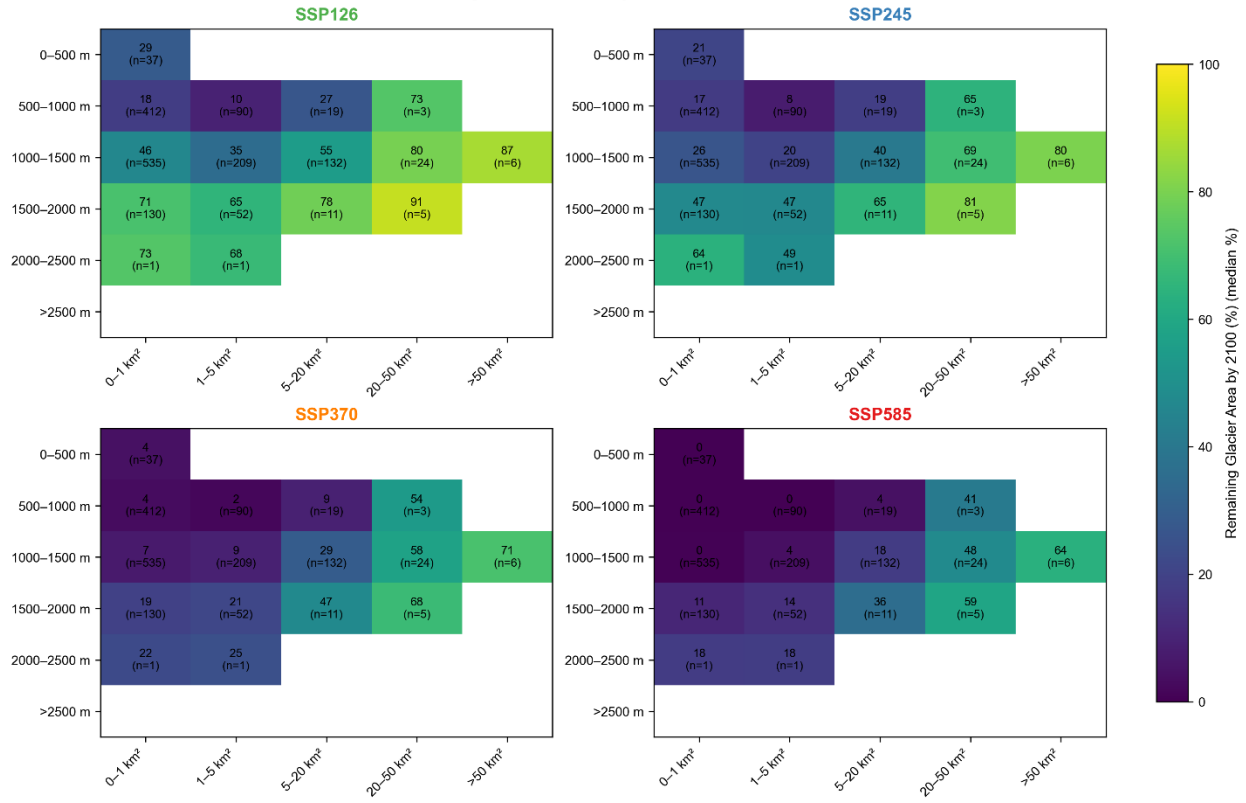
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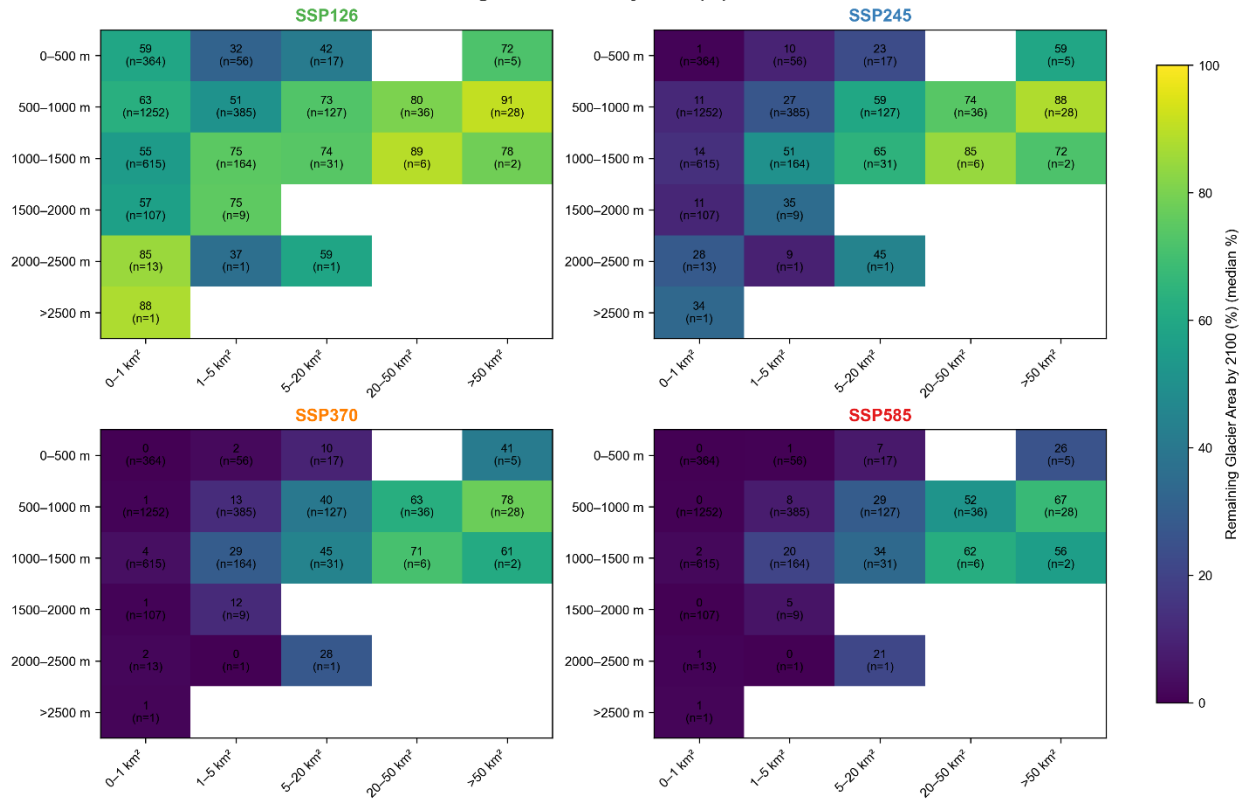
### Remaining Glacier Area by 2100 (%) — Central-East



### Remaining Glacier Area by 2100 (%) — Central-West



### Remaining Glacier Area by 2100 (%) — South-East

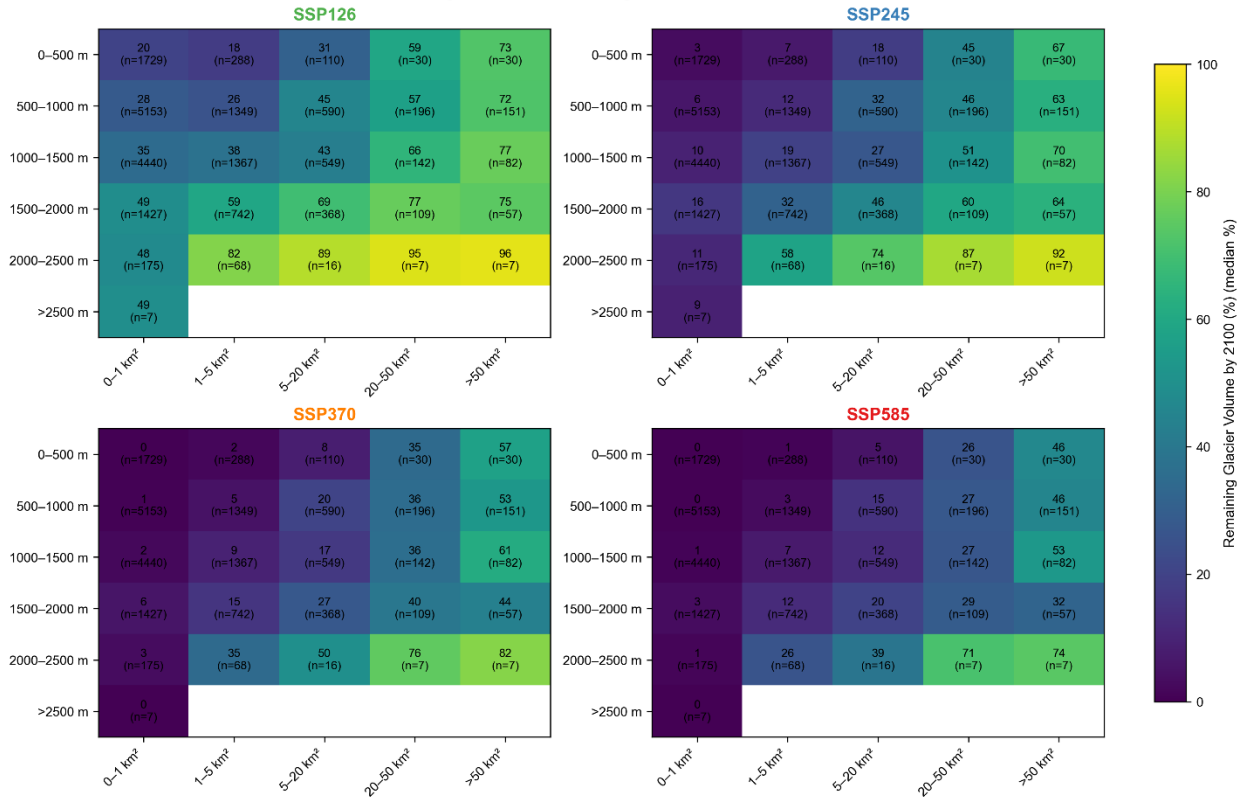




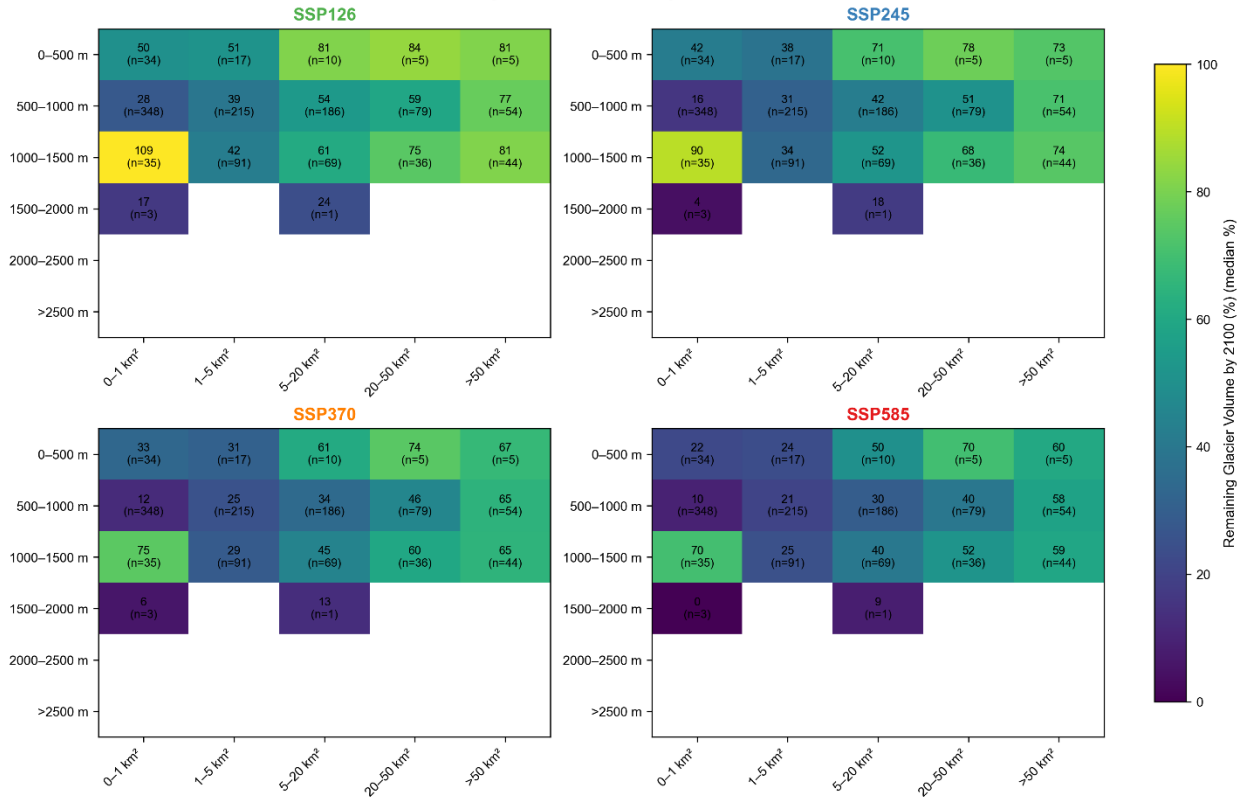
## Sect. S4.2. Remaining Glacier Volume

**Figure S11-S18. Remaining Glacier Volume by 2100 (%) across subregions and emission scenarios.** Same as Figures S3–S10, but showing the projected remaining glacier volume by 2100 relative to 2020 for each subregion under four SSP scenarios. Glaciers are binned by initial area (x-axis) and median elevation (y-axis). Values inside the grid cells indicate the median percentage of remaining glacier volume by 2100, with the number of glaciers in parentheses.

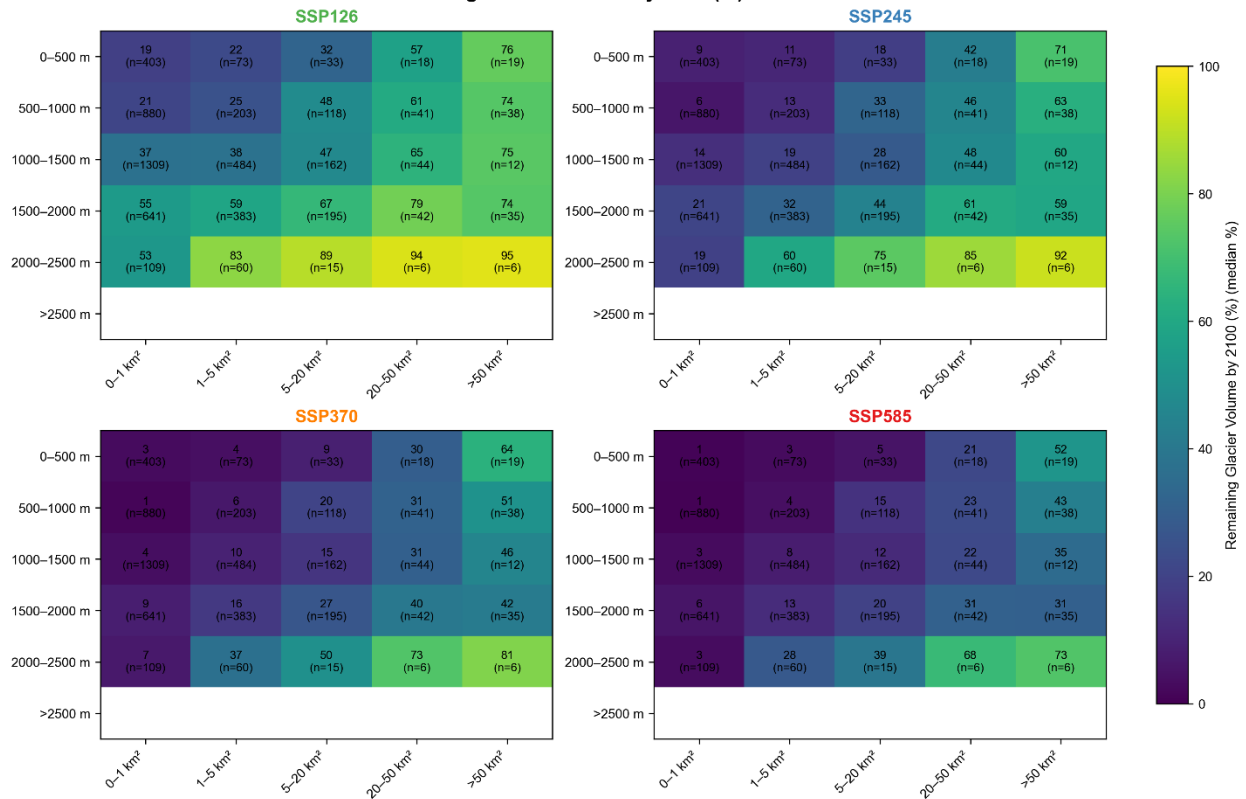
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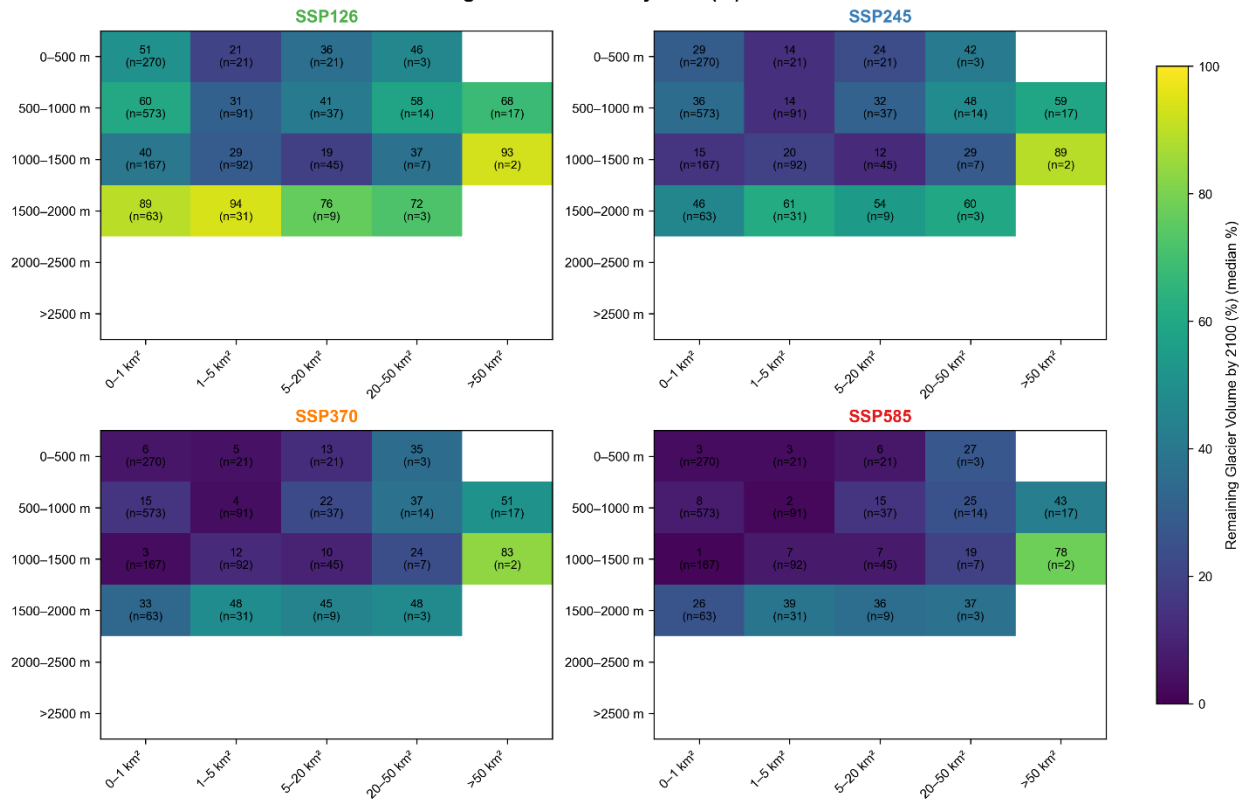
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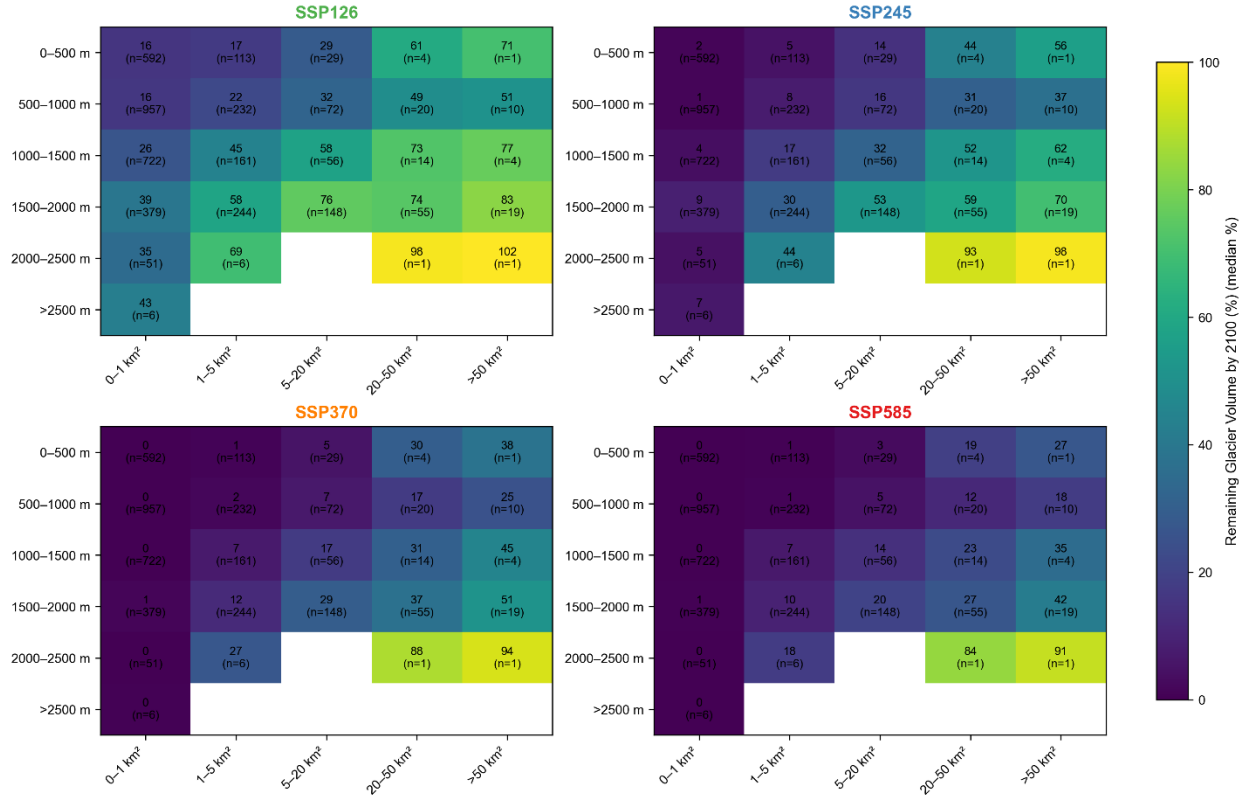
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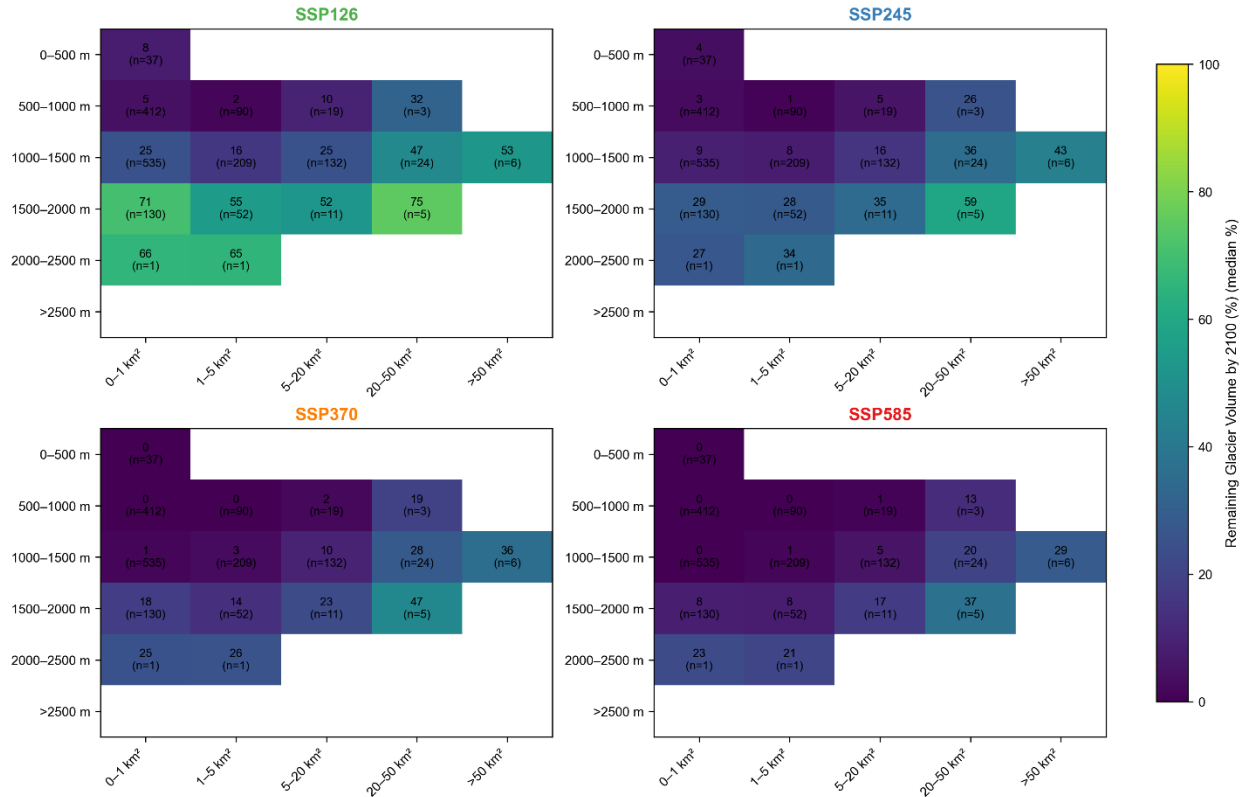
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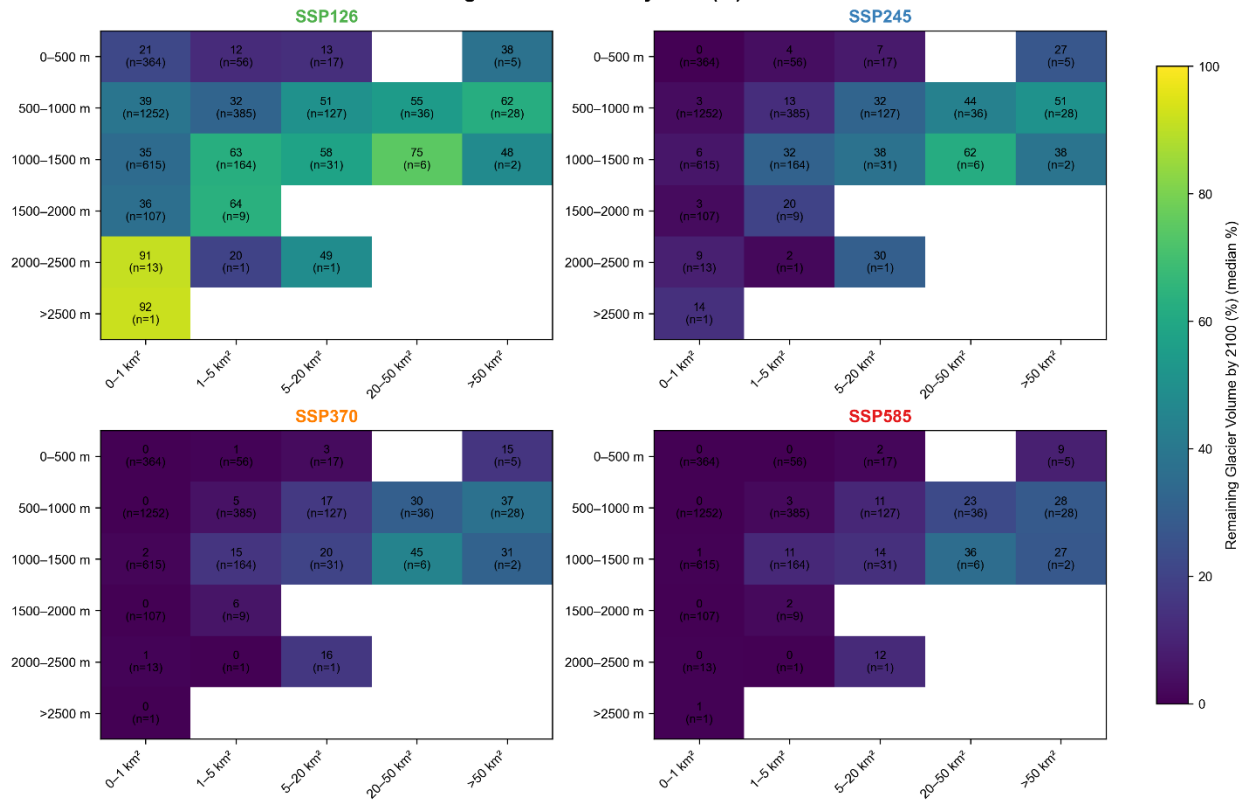
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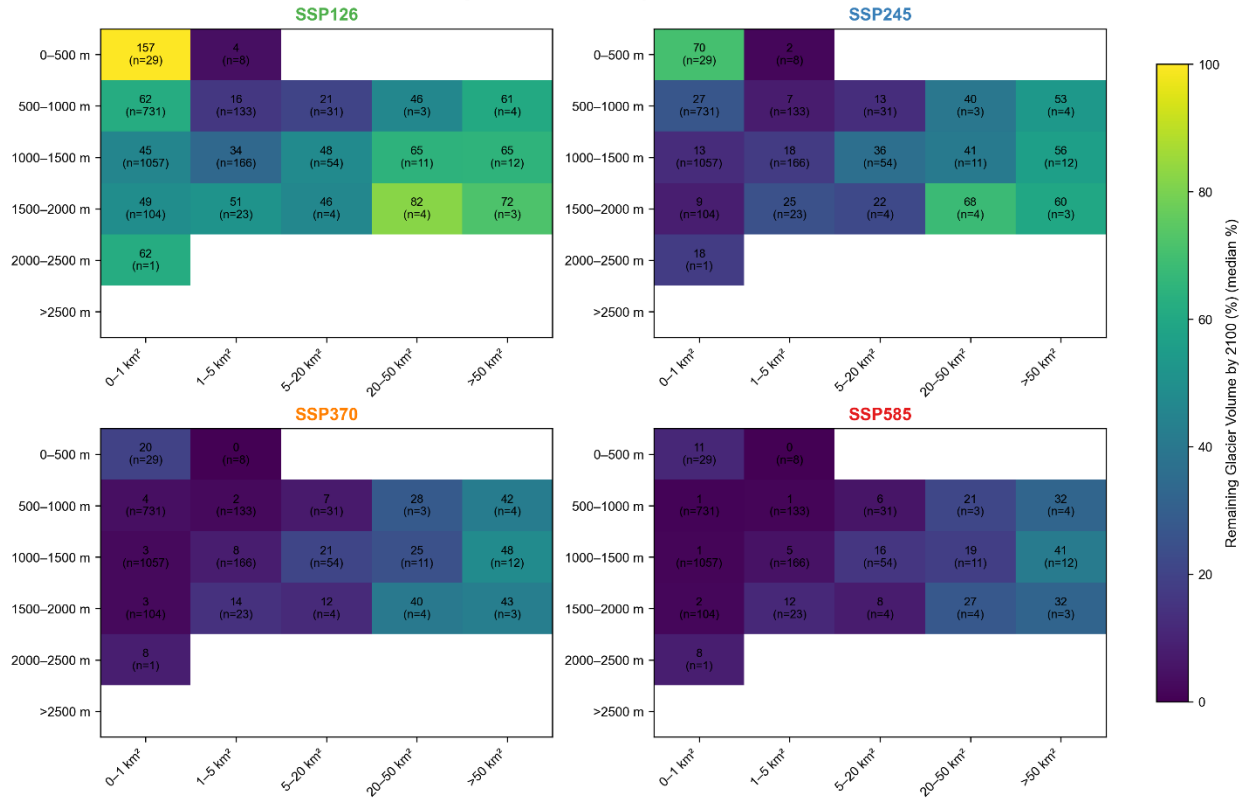
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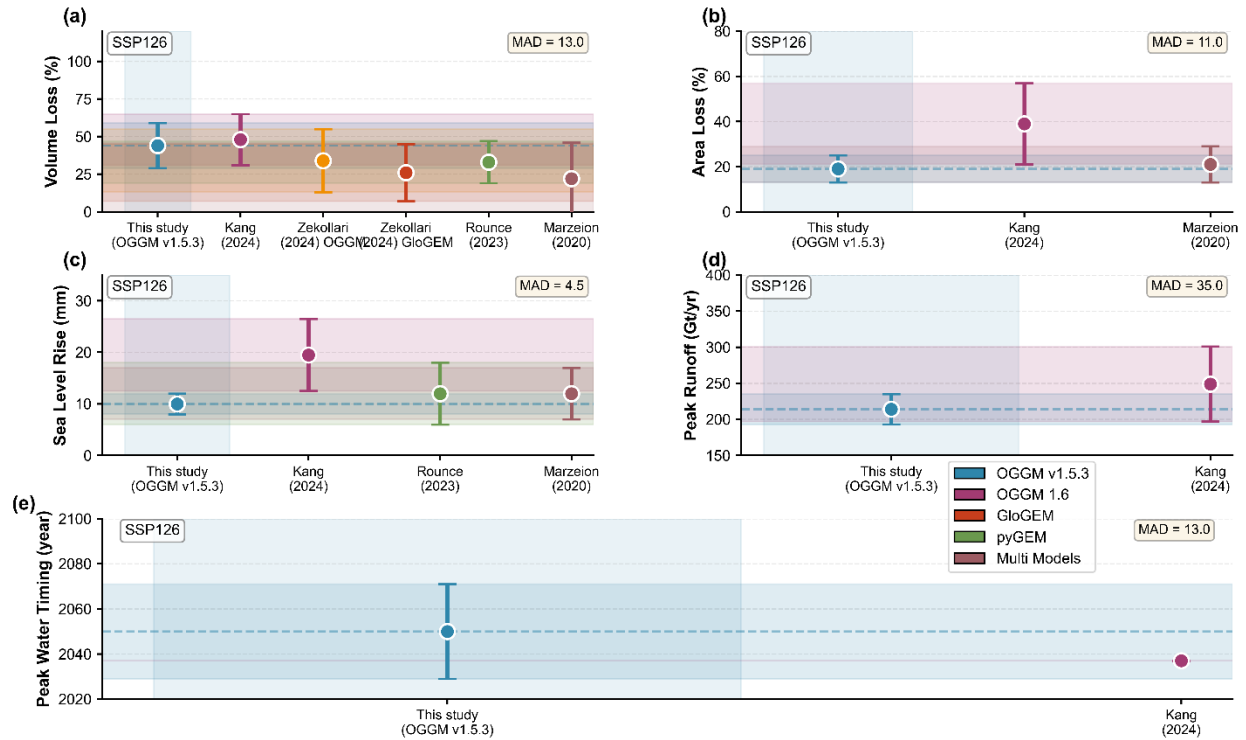
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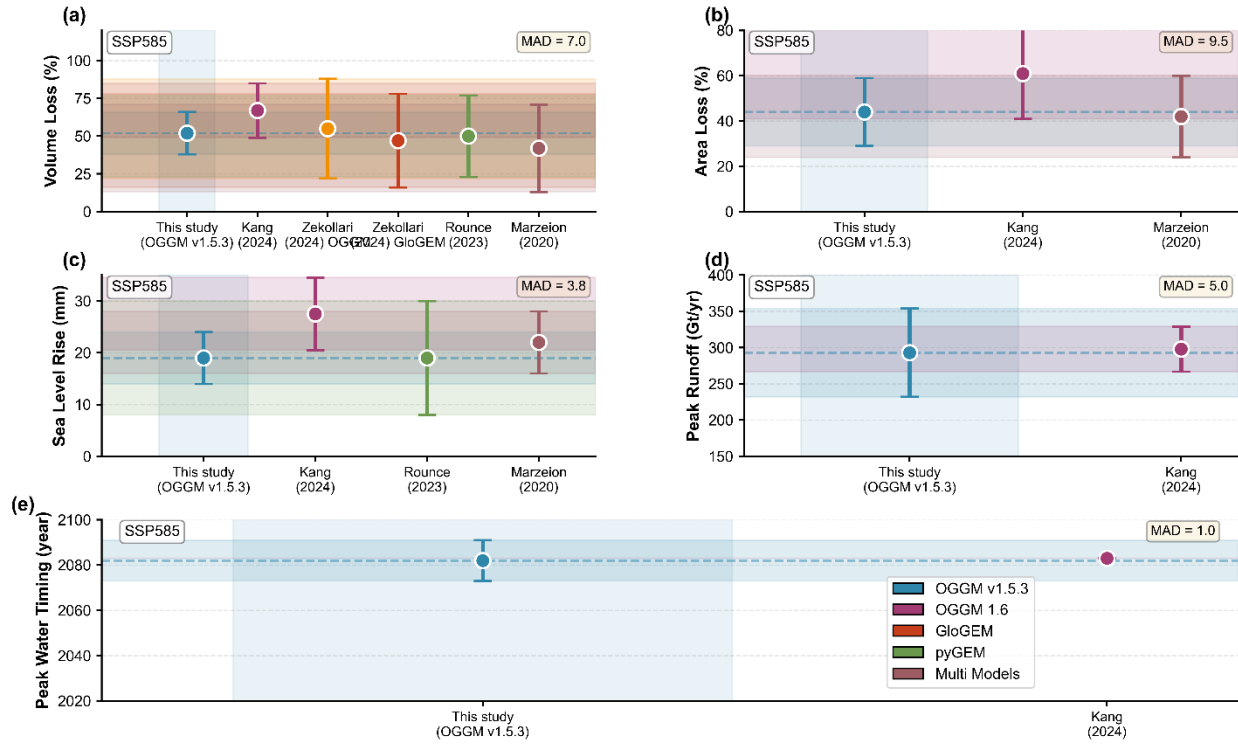
### Remaining Glacier Volume by 2100 (%) — South-West



### Sect. S5. Comparisons with other studies



**Figure S19.** Multi-model comparison of projected changes for Greenlands peripheral glaciers under SSP126 scenario.



**Figure S20.** Multi-model comparison of projected changes for Greenlands peripheral glaciers under SSP585 scenario. Studies included: Marzeion et al. (2020); Rounce et al. (2023); Zekollari et al. (2024); Kang et al. (2024)

**Table S2.** Statistical metrics comparing projections across glacier models. MAD = Mean Absolute Difference, CV = Coefficient of Variation (OGGM-based studies only), Overlap Range = minimum to maximum confidence interval overlap with individual studies.

Metric	Scenario	MAD (All Studies)	MAD (OGGM Only)	CV (OGGM)	Overlap Range (%)
Volume Loss (%)	SSP126	13.0	7.0	0.140	28-78
	SSP585	7.0	9.0	0.112	36-52
Area Loss (%)	SSP126	11.0	20.0	0.345	9-75
	SSP585	9.5	17.0	0.162	35-83
SLR (mm)	SSP126	4.5	9.5	0.322	33-40
	SSP585	3.8	8.5	0.183	17-57
Peak Runoff (Gt/yr)	SSP126	35.0	-	-	-
	SSP585	5.0	-	-	-
Peakwater Timing (year)	SSP126	13.0	-	-	-
	SSP585	1.0	-	-	-

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