



APHRODITE Middle East precipitation dataset

1. IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION

Name	APHRODITE Middle East precipitation dataset
Edition	V1101
Abbreviation	APHRO_ME
Metadata Identifier	APHRO_ME20230727073508-DIAS20221121113753-en

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2.1 CONTACT on DATASET

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6. DATE OF DATASET

creation : 2010-06-01

7. DATASET OVERVIEW

7.1 Abstract

Asian Precipitation - Highly-Resolved Observational Data Integration Towards Evaluation (APHRODITE's) of Water Resources project develops state-of-the-art daily precipitation and temperature datasets with high-resolution grids for Asia. The datasets are created primarily with data obtained from a rain-gauge-observation network.

Product APHRO_ME offers gridded daily precipitation of the Middle East for 1951-2007.

7.2 Topic Category(ISO19139)

climatologyMeteorologyAtmosphere

7.3 Temporal Extent

Begin Date	1951-01-01
End Date	2007-12-31
Temporal Characteristics	Daily

7.4 Geographic Bounding Box

North latitude bound	45
West longitude bound	20
Eastbound longitude	65
South latitude bound	15

7.5 Grid

Dimension Name	Dimension Size (slice number of the dimension)	Resolution Unit
row	180	15 (minute)
column	120	15 (minute)

7.6 Geographic Description

7.7 Keywords

7.7.1 Keywords on Dataset

Keyword Type	Keyword	Keyword thesaurus Name
theme	APHRODITE, daily precipitation, Middle East	No_Dictionary

7.7.2 Keywords on Project

7.7.2.1 Data Integration and Analysis System

Keyword Type	Keyword	Keyword thesaurus Name
theme	DIAS > Data Integration and Analysis System	No_Dictionary

7.8 Online Resource

File download : <https://data.diasjp.net/dl/storages/filelist/dataset:263>

Please check "http://aphrodite.st.hirosaki-u.ac.jp" for the latest information and update data information of APHRODITE. : <http://aphrodite.st.hirosaki-u.ac.jp>

7.9 Data Environmental Information

1.Original station data and their location information are not provided because of our agreements with data providers. 2.We release the gridded product at 0.25-degree and 0.5-degree resolution. 3.As a part of our feedback to data providers, we provide the 0.05-degree product for only the corresponding country/area.

7.10 Distribution Information

name	version	specification
netCDF	lats4d 2.0.1	
4byte little endian	N/A	

8. DATA PROCESSING

8.1 Data Processing (1)

8.1.1 General Explanation of the data producer's knowledge about the lineage of a dataset

The gridded fields of daily precipitation are defined by interpolating gauge observations obtained from meteorological stations throughout the region.

Please refer to

<http://www.chikyu.ac.jp/precip/>

for the details of interpolation algorithm and input data.

8.1.2 Data Source

Data Source Citation Name	Description of derived parameters and processing techniques used
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9. DATA REMARKS

Details on quality control method of our product is described in Hamada et al.(2011)

10. DATA POLICY

10.1 Data Policy by the Data Provider

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Users

1. If you are going to use APHRODITE data as a benchmark in your project, we encourage you to inform us. We list such groups/projects on our website and exchange information for future improvements.
2. If you publish a paper, please inform us. We will list your paper on our website. (<http://www.chikyu.ac.jp/precip/research/index.html>)

10.2 Data Policy by the Project

10.2.1 Data Integration and Analysis System

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12.1 Acknowledge the Data Provider

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12.2 Acknowledge the Project

12.2.1 Data Integration and Analysis System

If you plan to use this dataset for a conference presentation, paper, journal article, or report etc., please include acknowledgments referred to following examples. If the data provider describes examples of acknowledgments, include them as well.

” In this study, [Name of Dataset] provided by [Name of Data Provider] was utilized. This dataset was also collected and provided under the Data Integration and Analysis System (DIAS), which was developed and operated by a project supported by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. ”

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