Use of ISS-SMILES ice cloud diurnal cycle measurements for climate model evaluations

- To date, few direct measurements of ice cloud diurnal cycle have been available to constrain climate model simulations.
- Using ISS-SMILES observations as a reference, we found a large spread of modeled ice cloud diurnal cycle phase lag, amplitude, and pattern similarity over both land and ocean.
- These deficiencies in modeled diurnal cycle could affect model simulated climate on longer timescales; thus current and future global ice cloud diurnal cycle measurements are critically needed.
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