



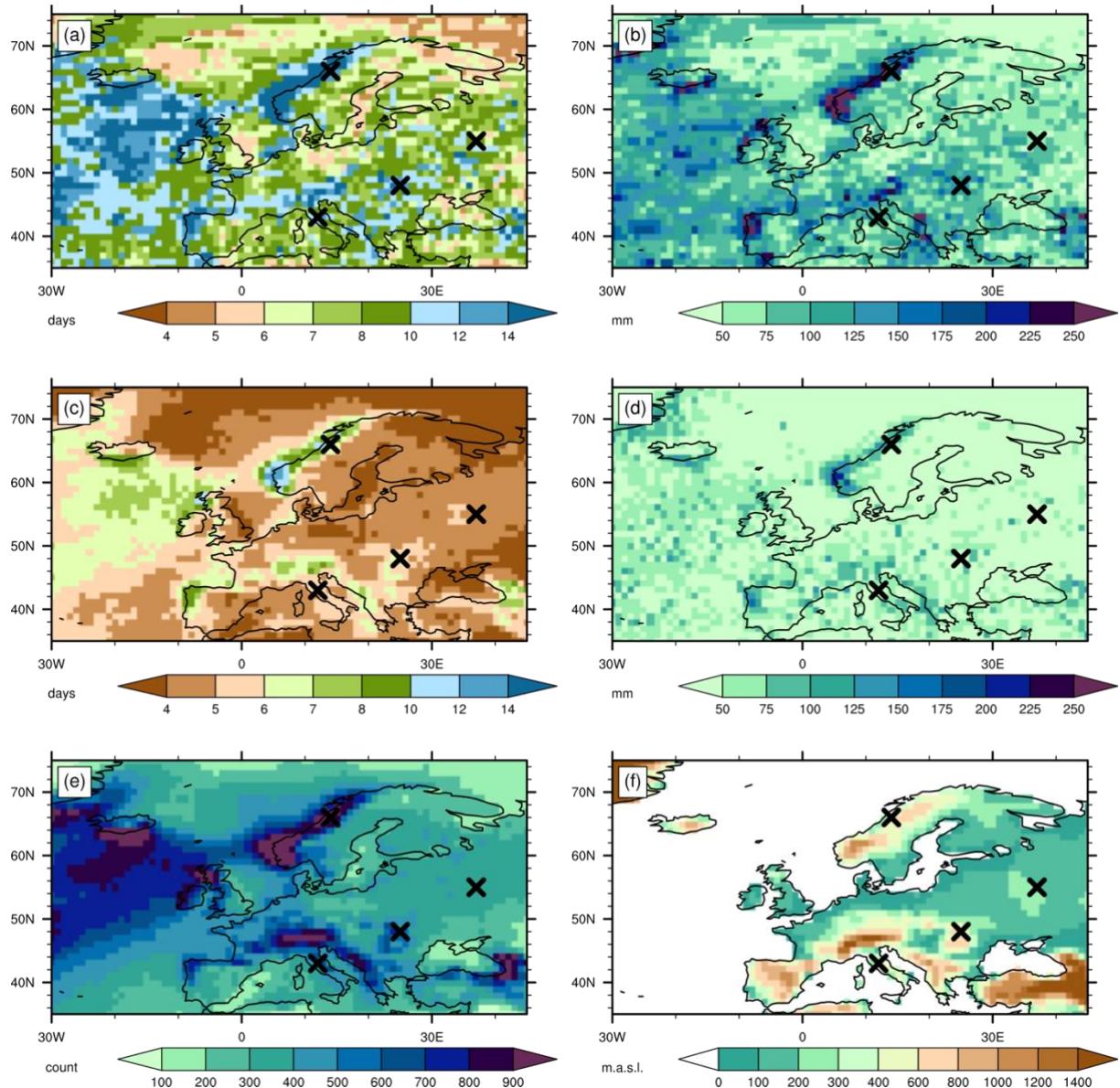
Supplement of

The role of cyclones and potential vorticity cutoffs for the occurrence of unusually long wet spells in Europe

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5 **Figure S1.** Panels (a,c) show the duration of the S_1 and S_{20} spells, respectively, and (b,d) depict the accumulated precipitation during the S_1 and S_{20} spells, respectively. Panel (e) shows the total number of wet spells with at least two days duration and panel (f) depicts the ERA-Interim topography. Crosses mark the locations of the four case studies discussed in Section 3.2.

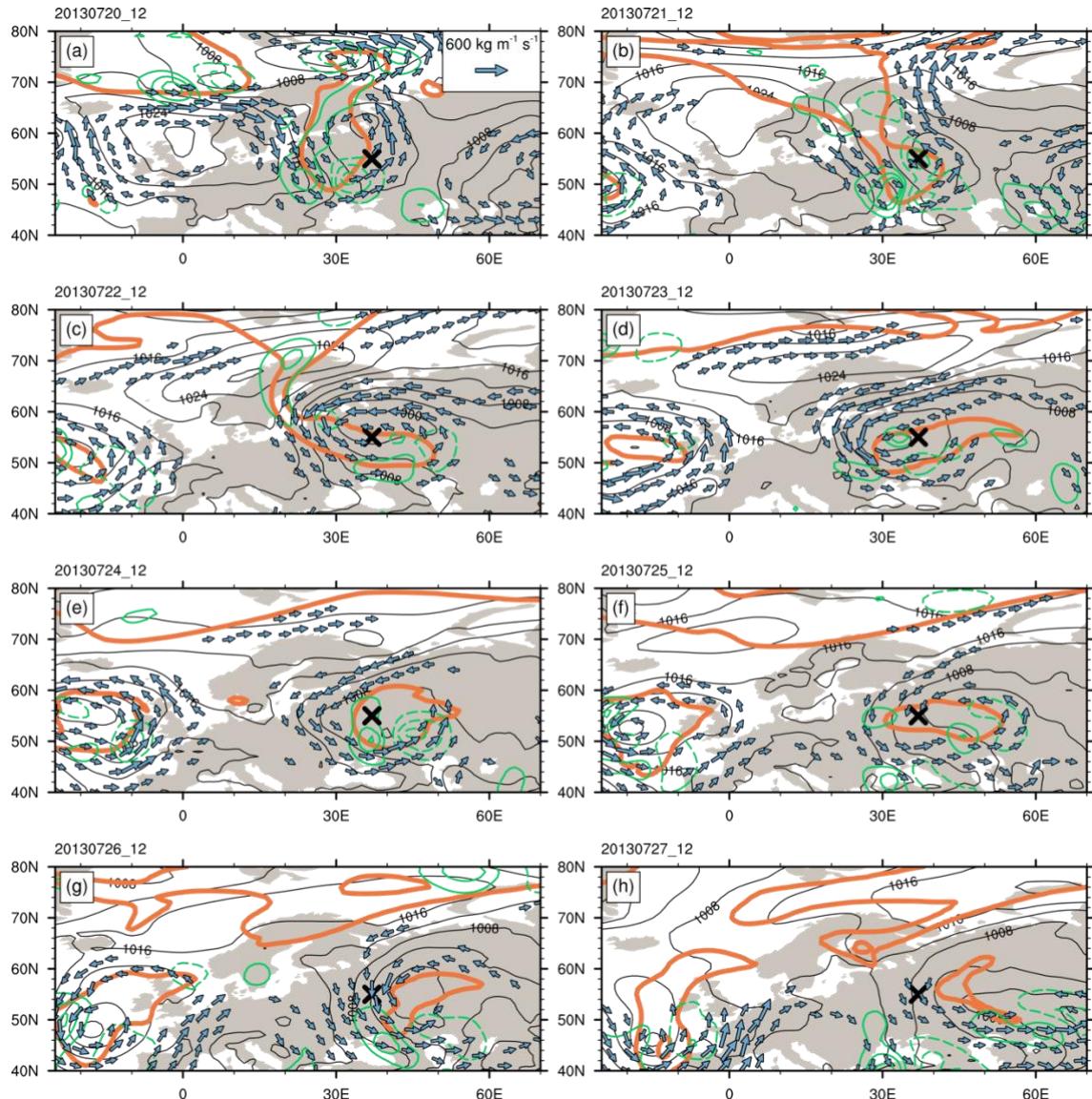


Figure S2. Additional synoptic variables for the the longest wet spell near Moscow, Russia [S_1 (37° E, 55° N)]. **IVT** (vectors, only drawn for IVT values $> 200 \text{ kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$), $QG\omega$ (green dashed contours indicating -6 , -4 , -2 hPa hour^{-1} while solid contours depict 2 , 4 , and 6 hPa hour^{-1}). **SLP** (black) and **2 PVU on 320 K** (orange) as in Fig. 3.

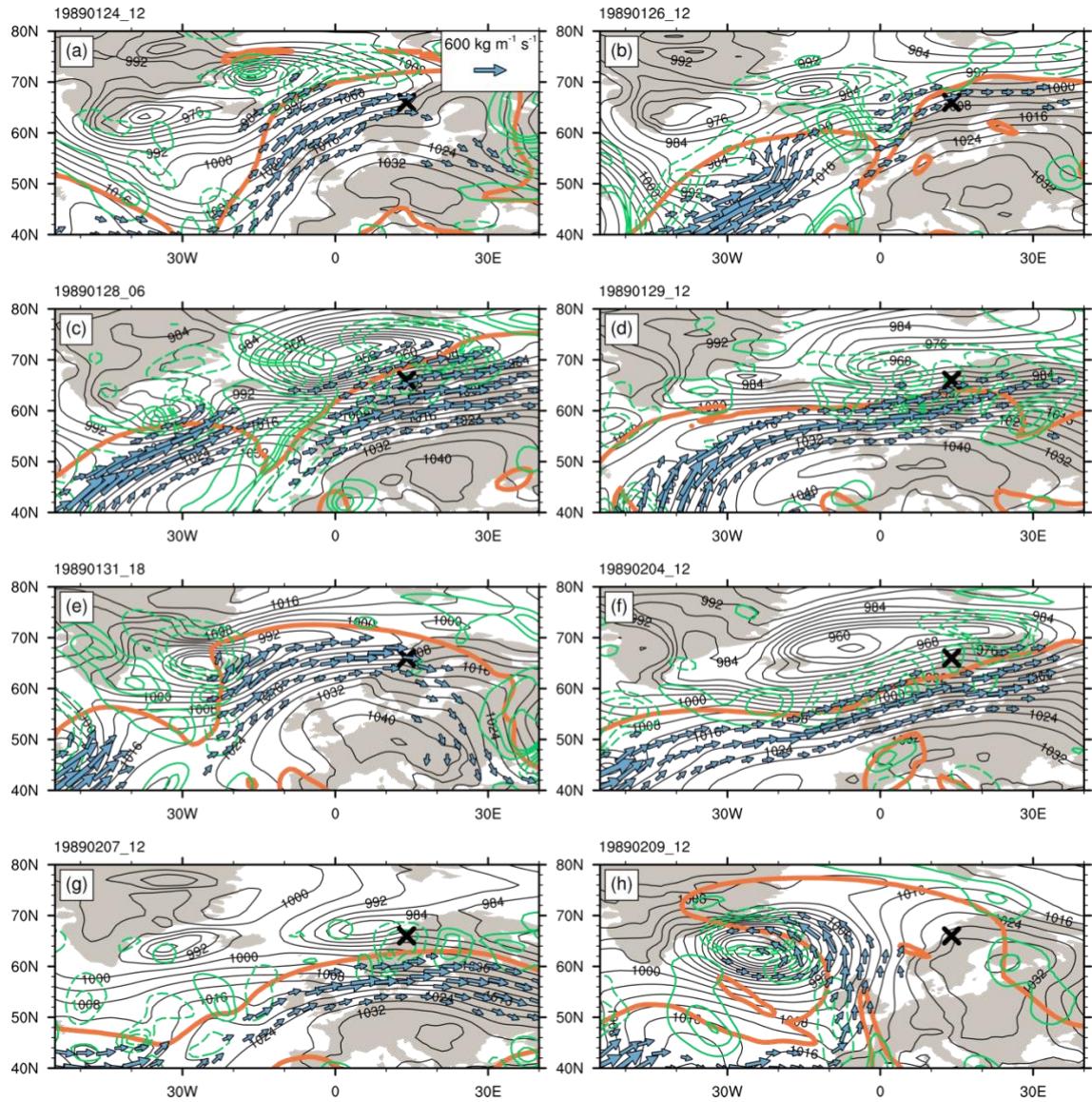


Figure S3. Additional synoptic variables for the the longest wet spell at 14° E/ 66° N in Norway [$S_1(14^{\circ}$ E, 66° N)]. **IVT** (vectors, only drawn for IVT values $> 200 \text{ kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$), **QG ω** (green dashed contours indicating -6 , -4 , -2 hPa hour^{-1} while solid contours depict 2 , 4 , and 6 hPa hour^{-1}). **SLP** (black) and **2 PVU** on 310 K (orange) as in Fig. 4.

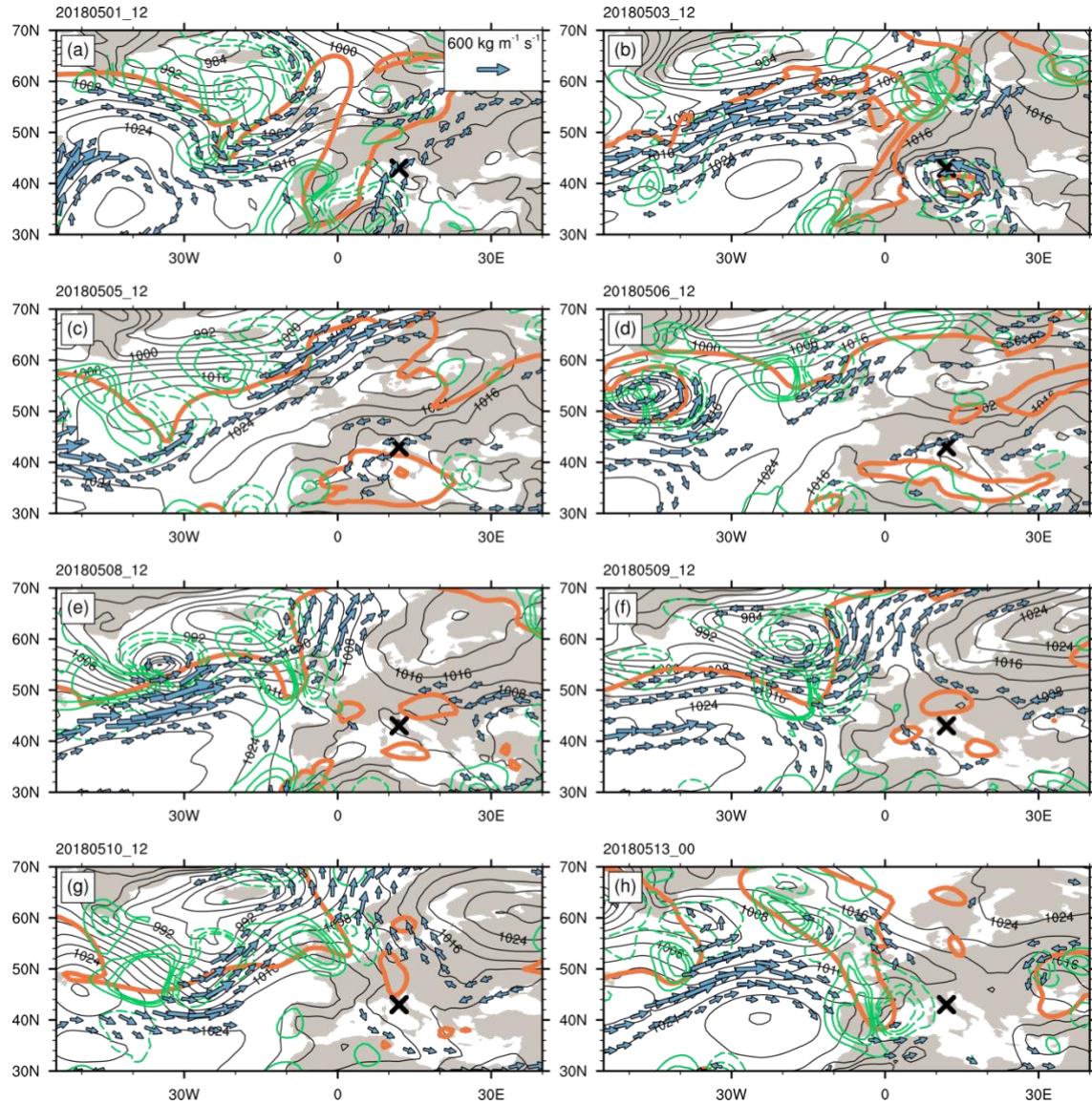


Figure S4. Additional synoptic variables for the the longest wet spell at 12° E/ 43° N in Tuscany, Italy [$S_1(12^{\circ}$ E, 43° N)]. **IVT** (vectors, only drawn for IVT values $> 200 \text{ kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$), **QG** ω (green dashed contours indicating $-6, -4, -2 \text{ hPa hour}^{-1}$ while solid contours depict $2, 4, \text{ and } 6 \text{ hPa hour}^{-1}$), **SLP** (black) and **2 PVU** on 320 K (orange) as in Fig. 5.

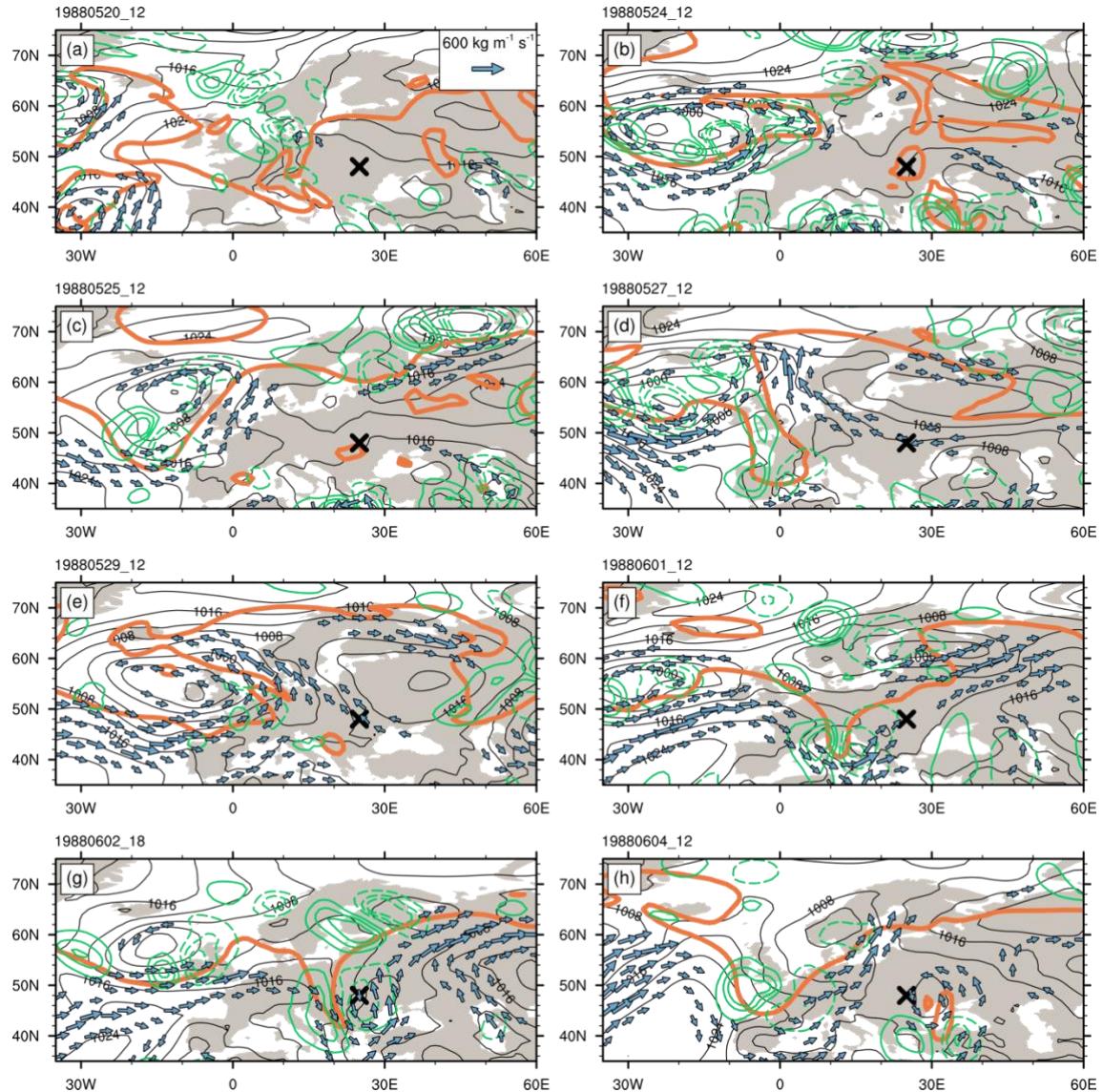
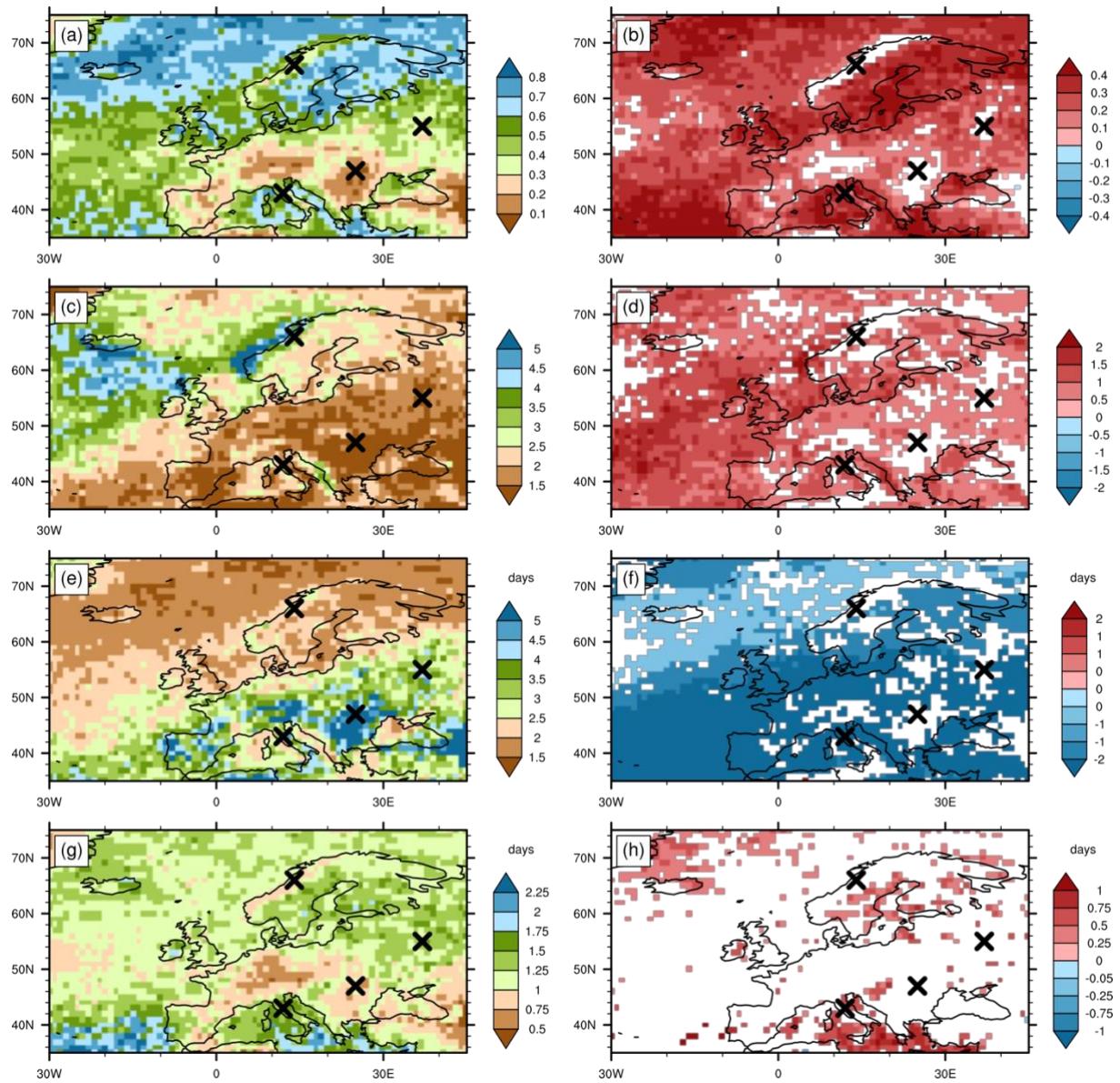


Figure S5. Additional synoptic variables for the the longest wet spell at 25° E/ 48° N in Romania [$S_1(25^{\circ}$ E, 48° N)]. **IVT** (vectors, only drawn for IVT values $> 200 \text{ kg m}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$), $\text{QG}\omega$ (green dashed contours indicating $-6, -4, -2 \text{ hPa hour}^{-1}$ while solid contours depict $2, 4, \text{ and } 6 \text{ hPa hour}^{-1}$). SLP (black) and 2 PVU on 320 K (orange) as in Fig. 6.



30 **Figure S6.** As Fig. 8 but with $r = 200$ km.

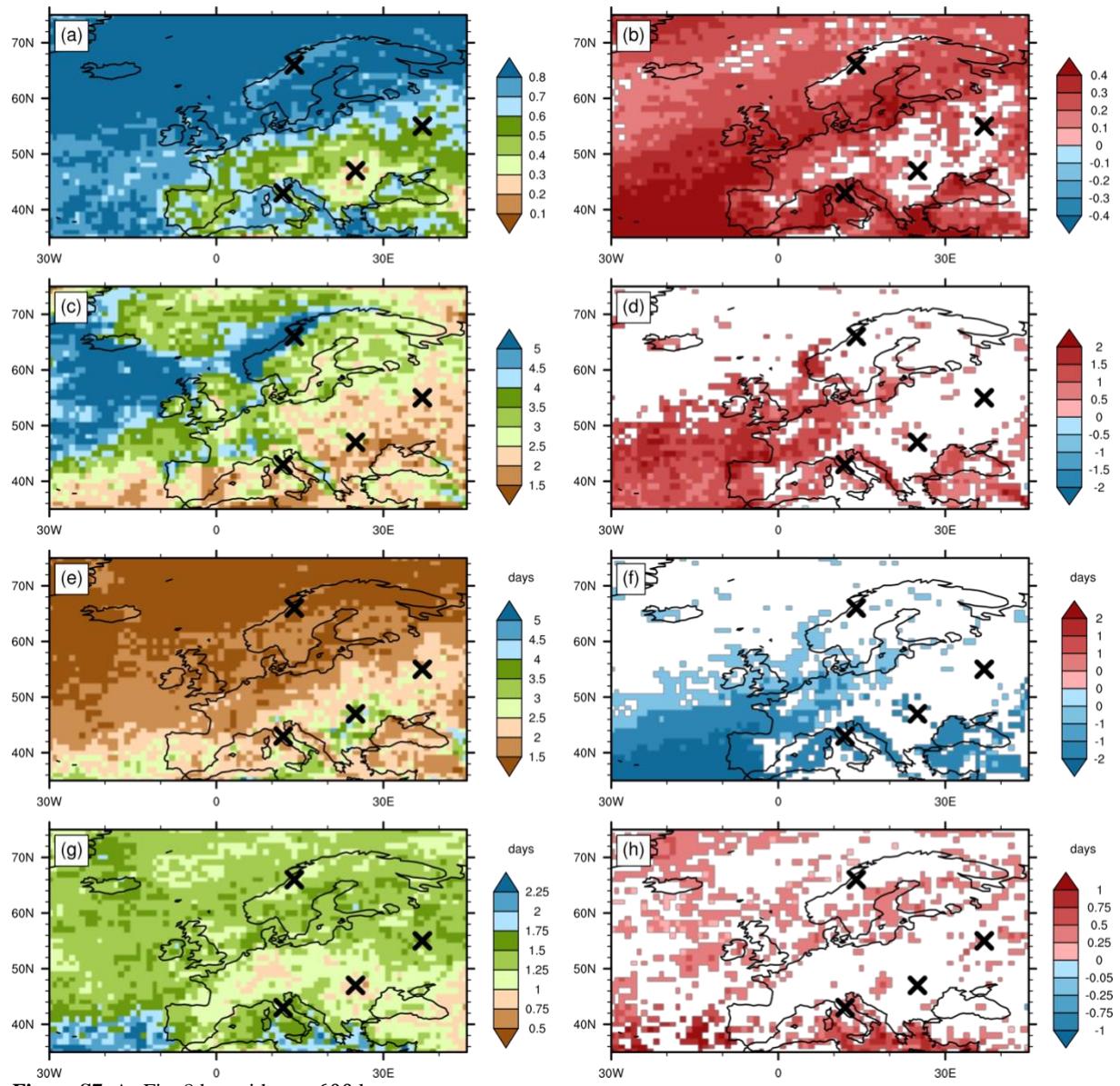


Figure S7. As Fig. 8 but with $r = 600$ km.

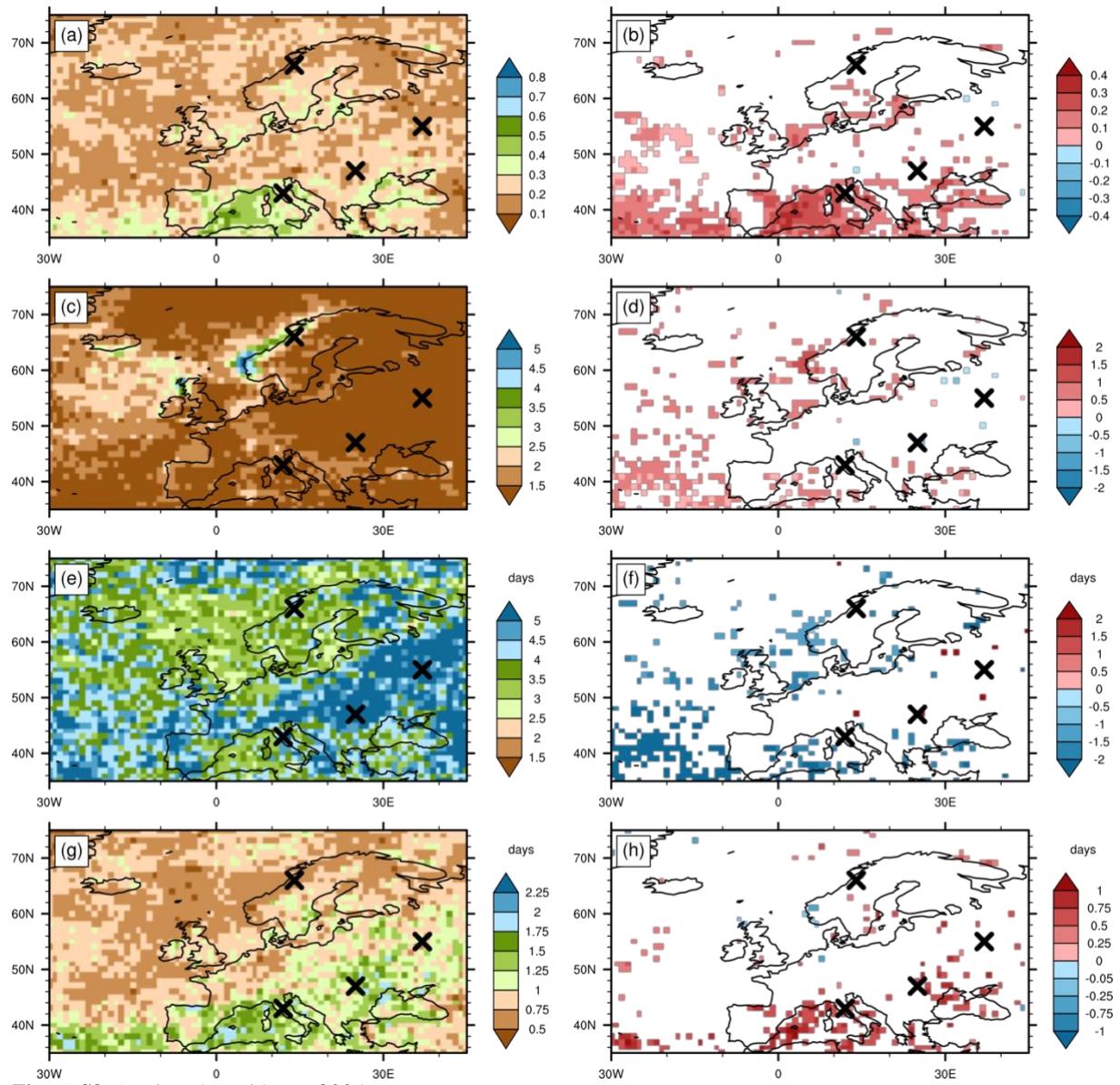
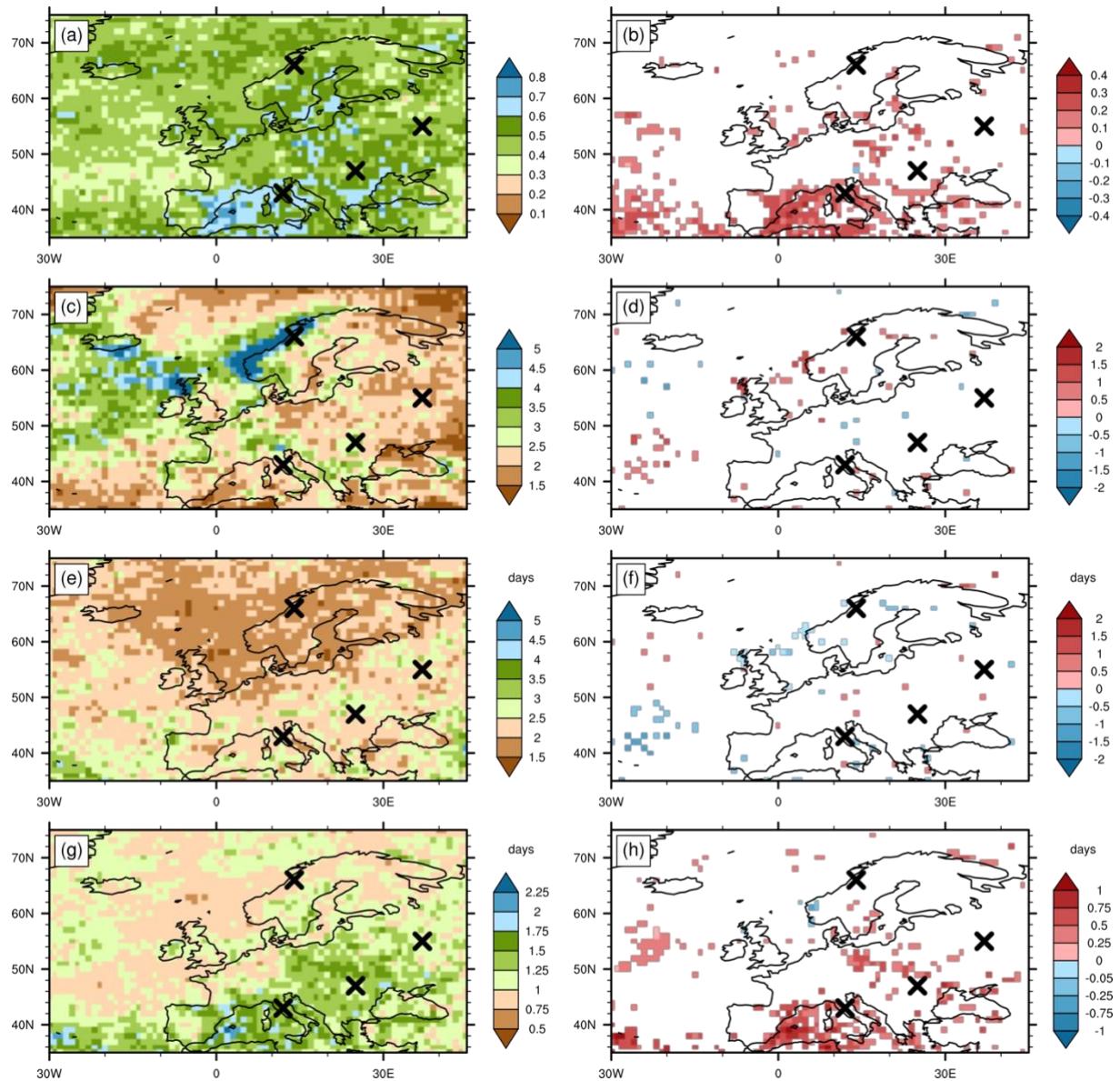


Figure S8. As Fig. 9 but with $r = 200$ km.



40 **Figure S9.** As Fig. 9 but with $r = 600$ km.