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4 Abstract:

5 Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land-use (AFOLU) are thought to play a vital role in long-term GHG  
6 emissions reduction, especially for their importance in non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, bioenergy supply and  
7 carbon sequestration realized by afforestation. Several studies have noted potential adverse impacts of  
8 land-related emissions mitigation on food security, due to food price increases, but these studies have  
9 not disaggregated the individual aspects of land-related emissions mitigation that impact food security.  
10 Here, we show the extent to which three factors—non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction, bioenergy production,  
11 and afforestation—change the food security and agricultural market conditions under 2 °C climate  
12 stabilization scenarios, using six global agro-economic models. The results show that afforestation,  
13 often implemented in the models by imposing carbon prices on land carbon stocks, causes the largest  
14 impacts on food security, followed by non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions policies, generally implemented as  
15 emissions taxes. Respectively, these measures put an additional 41.9 and 26.7 million people at risk  
16 of hunger in 2050. This study highlights the need for better coordination of emissions reduction and  
17 agricultural market management policy.

## 18 19 **Introduction**

20 In meeting near- and long-term climate change mitigation goals (e.g., the Paris Agreement), the  
21 energy sector accounts for the majority of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in most nations, and is  
22 thus the target of most present-day emissions mitigation policies. However, Agriculture, Forestry and  
23 Other Land Use (AFOLU) account for 20-25% of global GHG emissions in 2010<sup>1</sup> and cannot be  
24 ignored in the context of meeting ambitious long-term climate change mitigation targets. In addition  
25 to the baseline emissions quantities involved, the non-point-source nature of the emissions, combined  
26 with the relative lack of available technologies to eliminate emissions, make AFOLU emissions  
27 abatement especially difficult. This is in contrast to the energy sector, whose emissions can become  
28 net-zero or even net-negative if carbon removal technologies are used<sup>2</sup>.

29 The future emissions reduction potential in the AFOLU sector has been characterized in the  
30 literature as having relatively large emission reductions available at low cost, compared with other  
31 sectors<sup>3,4,5</sup>. However, the emissions reduction potentials are understood to be limited, with full (100%)  
32 removal not possible regardless of effort in many cases<sup>6</sup>. Moreover, Hasegawa et al. (2018) highlighted  
33 significant food security concerns associated with including AFOLU in climate change mitigation  
34 actions<sup>7</sup>. The present study contributes to this discussion, by starting with the observation that there  
35 are three major channels by which AFOLU-focused climate change mitigation policy may exacerbate  
36 food security. One is promotion of large-scale bioenergy crop expansion; low-emissions scenarios in

37 integrated assessment models (IAMs) have highlighted the potential importance of bioenergy,  
38 particularly bioenergy with carbon capture and storage (BECCS), for reducing costs and enabling deep  
39 system-wide emissions mitigation<sup>8, 9, 10</sup>. The consequent competition between food and bioenergy  
40 production can cause increased prices and reduced supplies of food crop commodities. Second,  
41 policies that price non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions can directly increase costs of food production and thus food  
42 commodity prices<sup>11, 12</sup>. The third channel is afforestation policies, which incentivize a reduction in  
43 cropland supply.

44 While these secondary impacts of AFOLU emissions mitigation have been addressed in the  
45 literature<sup>13, 14</sup>, the present body of knowledge has not identified the relative importance of the factors  
46 that drive potential food security risk. Studies have focused on each element individually; for example,  
47 the direct impacts of non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions<sup>15</sup>, or the implications of bioenergy expansion<sup>12</sup>.  
48 Afforestation has also been addressed individually, albeit for carbon sequestration potential, with less  
49 emphasis on food security issues<sup>16, 17</sup>. However, the existing literature has not yet addressed the relative  
50 importance of these three factors for food security.

51 Here, we show the relative extent to which the above-mentioned three factors (Non-CO<sub>2</sub>  
52 emissions reduction in the agricultural sector, afforestation, and energy crop expansion) change the  
53 food security and agricultural market conditions under climate mitigation scenarios. To decompose  
54 the three causes, we examine several scenarios that are consistent with limiting the global mean  
55 temperature increase to below 2°C. To explore the uncertainty range, we employ six state-of-the-art  
56 global agro-economic models that represent agriculture and land-use systems, and their emissions;  
57 namely AIM<sup>18</sup>, CAPRI<sup>19</sup>, FARM<sup>20</sup>, GCAM<sup>21</sup>, GLOBIOM<sup>22</sup>, and IMAGE-MAGNET<sup>23</sup>. For the  
58 scenarios, the carbon prices, bioenergy production requirements, and forest area are harmonized where  
59 possible among the models. We found that the models' representations of non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions pricing  
60 were generally consistent, whereas the implementation of afforestation-related policies varied from  
61 one model to the next. We also employ a "hunger tool" which enables us to explore the number of  
62 people at risk of hunger<sup>7, 24, 25</sup>. The scenarios analyzed in this study assume the socioeconomic  
63 background of Shared Socioeconomic Pathways SSP2<sup>26, 27</sup>, and for the climate policy scenarios,  
64 Representative Concentration Pathways (RCP) 2.6 equivalent carbon prices are applied, which are  
65 taken from the SSP database. See **Method** section more details and illustration for the overall research  
66 framework (Supplementary Figure 1).

## 67 **Results**

### 68 **Main indicators**

70 In the baseline scenarios, global average calorie availability over the upcoming decades  
71 continuously increases, mostly due to income growth in developing countries, reaching 3058  
72 kcal/pers/d in 2050 (3013–3260 among the models; hereafter, ranges indicate the inter-model spread)

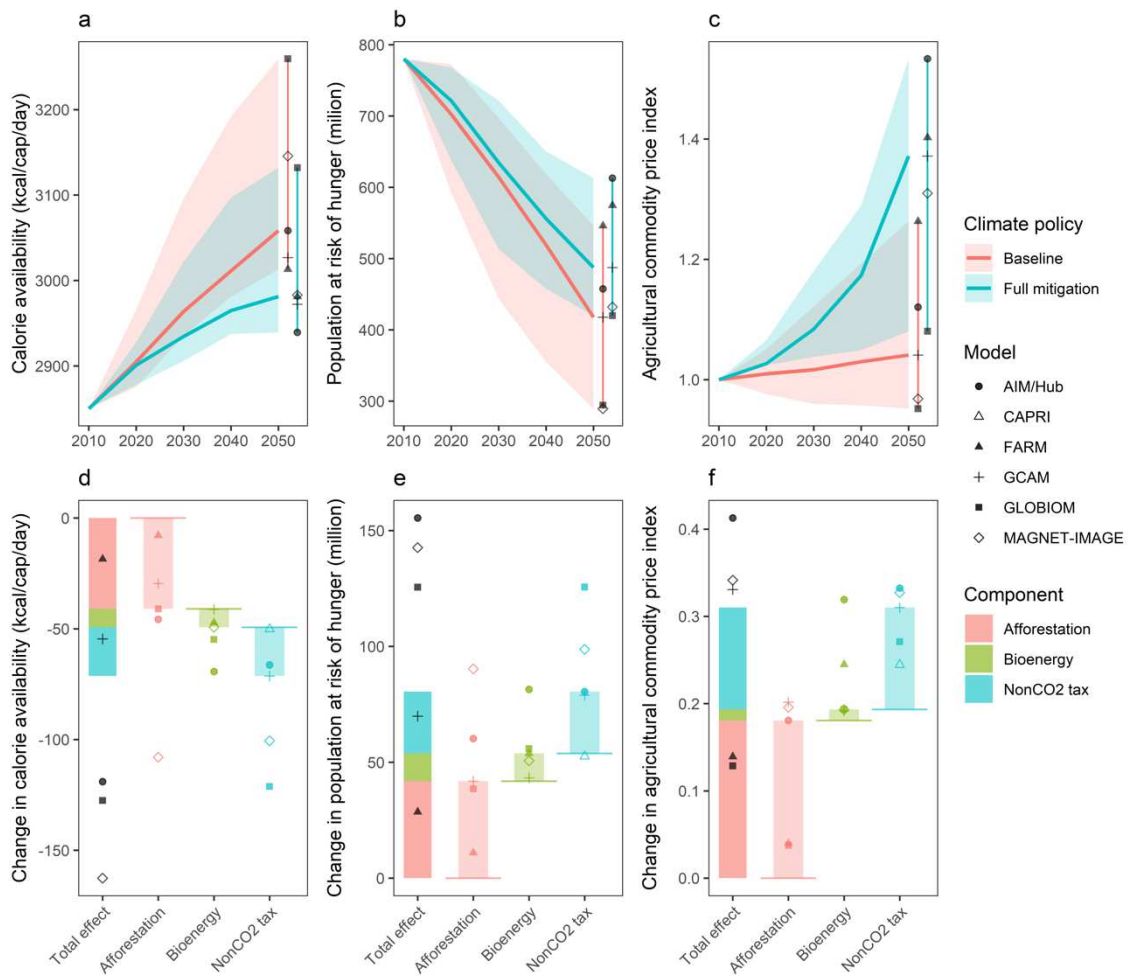
73 (Figure 1a). Accordingly, the number of people at risk of hunger declines overtime, to 417.6 million  
74 (289.4–545.9) in 2050 (Figure 1b). This trend is consistent with the earlier studies<sup>7, 13, 28</sup>. The models’  
75 general agricultural producer price indices are projected to be almost constant over this timeframe,  
76 with a range of 0.95 to 1.26 in 2050 (Figure 1c). Price projection diversity across models has been  
77 observed in the earlier studies as well<sup>29</sup>. Agricultural technological improvement and demand  
78 increases are the main negative and positive drivers of prices, respectively, which tend to offset each  
79 other.

80 Under the climate change mitigation scenario to attain well below 2°C global mean temperature,  
81 there would be carbon (or GHG) pricing implicitly or explicitly which is fed into the models (see  
82 Supplementary Figure 2). Along with the carbon emissions price imposition (e.g. carbon tax), GHG  
83 emissions mitigation actions are carried out by the agricultural and land-use system, pushing up the  
84 production cost and land-rent, and agricultural commodity producer prices (Figure 1c). Consequently,  
85 calorie availability decreases by 119 (32–163) kcal/cap/day, and the population at risk of hunger  
86 increases by 125.5 (28.6–155.4) million (Figure 1ab).

87 The decomposition of these adverse side effects of the climate mitigation actions in food security  
88 are driven by three causes that have been discussed earlier and additional risk of hunger are generated  
89 by 41.9, 12.0, and 26.7 million in 2050 (Figure 1e) by afforestation, bioenergy and non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions,  
90 respectively (numbers are multi-model median). These can be mostly explained by average food  
91 consumption decrease (Figure 1d) and agricultural price increases (Figure 1f). For example,  
92 afforestation, bioenergy and non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions induce agricultural price increases by 18.1%, 1.3%,  
93 and 11.7%, respectively (numbers are multi-model median). While median clearly shows the  
94 magnitude of individual causes, there are certain model variations that can be interpreted as uncertainty.  
95 For example, afforestation effect on additional risk of hunger ranges from 10.9 to 90.3 million. These  
96 model variations would depend on the representation of the mitigation measures and model structure  
97 which are discussed in detail later. Given that there is model uncertainty, we carried out a sensitivity  
98 analysis to test whether a specific “extreme” model would lead this conclusion or not. This sensitivity  
99 analysis is conducted by withdrawing one model, and iterating for all models. The conclusion is that  
100 our results are not dependent on a specific model (Supplementary Figure 3). Also, analysis based on  
101 the four models with complete sets of scenarios show similar patterns (Supplementary Figure 5).

102 Note that models which have explicit energy and economy components within the model show  
103 non-agricultural and non-land-use related effects to some extent (e.g. income-loss associated with low-  
104 carbon energy technologies). It would be smaller than others except for AIM/Hub which shows  
105 additional 29.0 million people become under the risk of hunger (Supplementary Figure 4).

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 108 **Figure 1** Calorie availability (a), population at risk of hunger (b), and agricultural commodity price  
 109 (c) in baseline and mitigation (full) scenarios, and the effects of each land-based mitigation measures  
 110 on their change (def) for SSP2 (results based on four models with complete scenarios were shown in  
 111 Supplementary Figure 5)

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### 113 Drivers of food price increases

114 Afforestation for the purpose of sequestering carbon from the atmosphere to the terrestrial system  
 115 is incentivized by carbon pricing on the carbon sink above- and below-ground. The CO<sub>2</sub> emissions  
 116 drastically decreases in the mitigation scenarios (Figure 2a) and become negative 3.80 (0.20–13.74)  
 117 Gt CO<sub>2</sub> in 2050. Accordingly, forest area increases by 11.1% (1.7%–24.7%) in 2050 relative to  
 118 baseline scenarios and these forest area expansion put an additional land demand pressure on overall  
 119 agricultural activities (Figure 2e). The land rent can also increase by pricing on land carbon sink and  
 120 both factors would increase the average land rent by 366% in 2050 (from AIM/Hub model).

121 Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions mitigation is the second largest contributor to the price increases associated  
 122 with mitigation measures. There are basically two factors to increase the agricultural production prices.

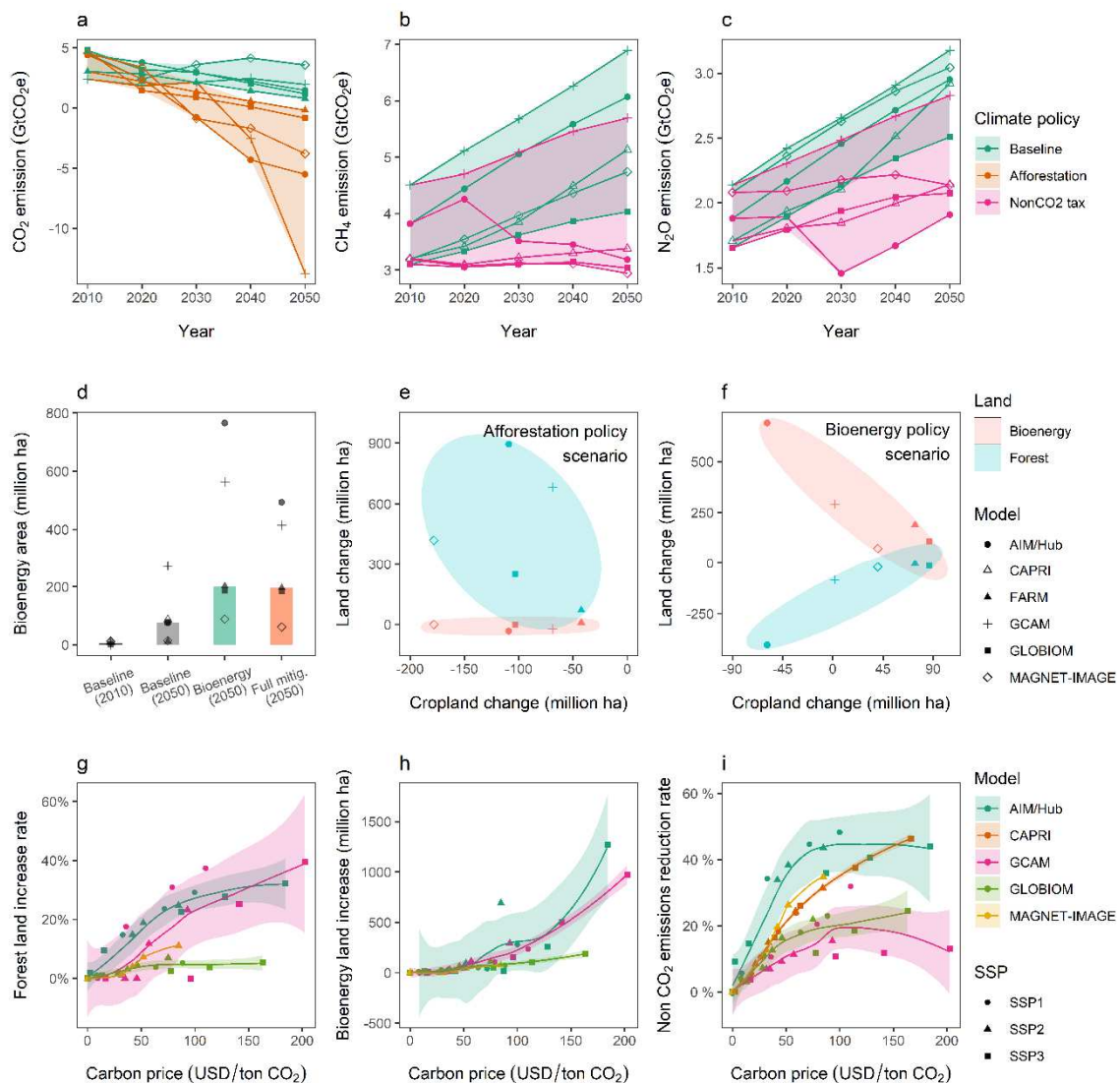
123 First, under a certain GHG emissions prices, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O abatement technologies are implemented,  
124 which simply add up the agricultural production cost particularly in livestock products (Supplementary  
125 Figure 6). Second, in contrast to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions which can be negative value, non-CO<sub>2</sub> are thought to  
126 be difficult completely gotten rid of and some portions such as 68.6% (56.5%–84.6%) remain as  
127 residual emissions (Figure 2bc), which is slightly larger than existing literature but possibly due to the  
128 sectoral coverage<sup>30, 31</sup>. This would become a penalty of carbon pricing (e.g. carbon tax imposition).  
129 Interestingly, the maximum emissions reductions almost reach under a certain carbon price which  
130 would imply that further higher carbon prices that are primarily determined by energy system side in  
131 IAMs would increase the penalty of the carbon prices from that point (Figure 2h).

132 Finally, the energy purpose biomass crop can compete with current food crops which pushes the  
133 land demand pressure on the land market. Current model estimates show the bioenergy crop area is  
134 196 (62–494) million ha in 2050 under the full mitigation policy, which accounts for 11.7% of the  
135 current cropland area (Figure 2d).

136 Although afforestation and bioenergy both need large amount of land and therefore might  
137 compete with land for food production, results suggest that the effect of afforestation is larger than  
138 bioenergy. That's because afforestation requires more land than bioenergy, possibly due to the higher  
139 carbon sink capacity of bioenergy crops particularly combined with CCS. In the bioenergy scenario,  
140 bioenergy land increase by 190 (74–690) million ha in 2050, along with even small increase of  
141 cropland (the median change is positive 40 million ha, with a range from negative 59 to positive 86);  
142 whereas in afforestation scenario, forest area increases by 420 (71–895) million ha, with the decrease  
143 of cropland by 103 (42–178) million ha. While bioenergy volume is determined by energy system,  
144 afforestation area can expand without ceiling, which would be also another potential reason<sup>32</sup>.

145 The above mentioned three drivers are also compatible with the carbon prices which clearly show  
146 the correlation while there are some inter-model variations in the carbon price assumptions (Figure  
147 2fgh). Food consumption, agricultural prices and risk of hunger similarly show the clear responses to  
148 carbon prices (Supplementary Figure 7).

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151 Figure 2 Main drivers of mitigation effects for SSP2. Panel **ab** and **c** present CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O  
 152 emissions from AFOLU sector. Panel **d** shows bioenergy land in each scenario. Panel **e** and **f** illustrate  
 153 the relationship between cropland area, and bioenergy and forest area changes. Panel **ghi** show the  
 154 relationship between carbon price and forest area, bioenergy area and non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction  
 155 rates (Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent value using GWP2100 in AR5).

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### 157 Regional implications

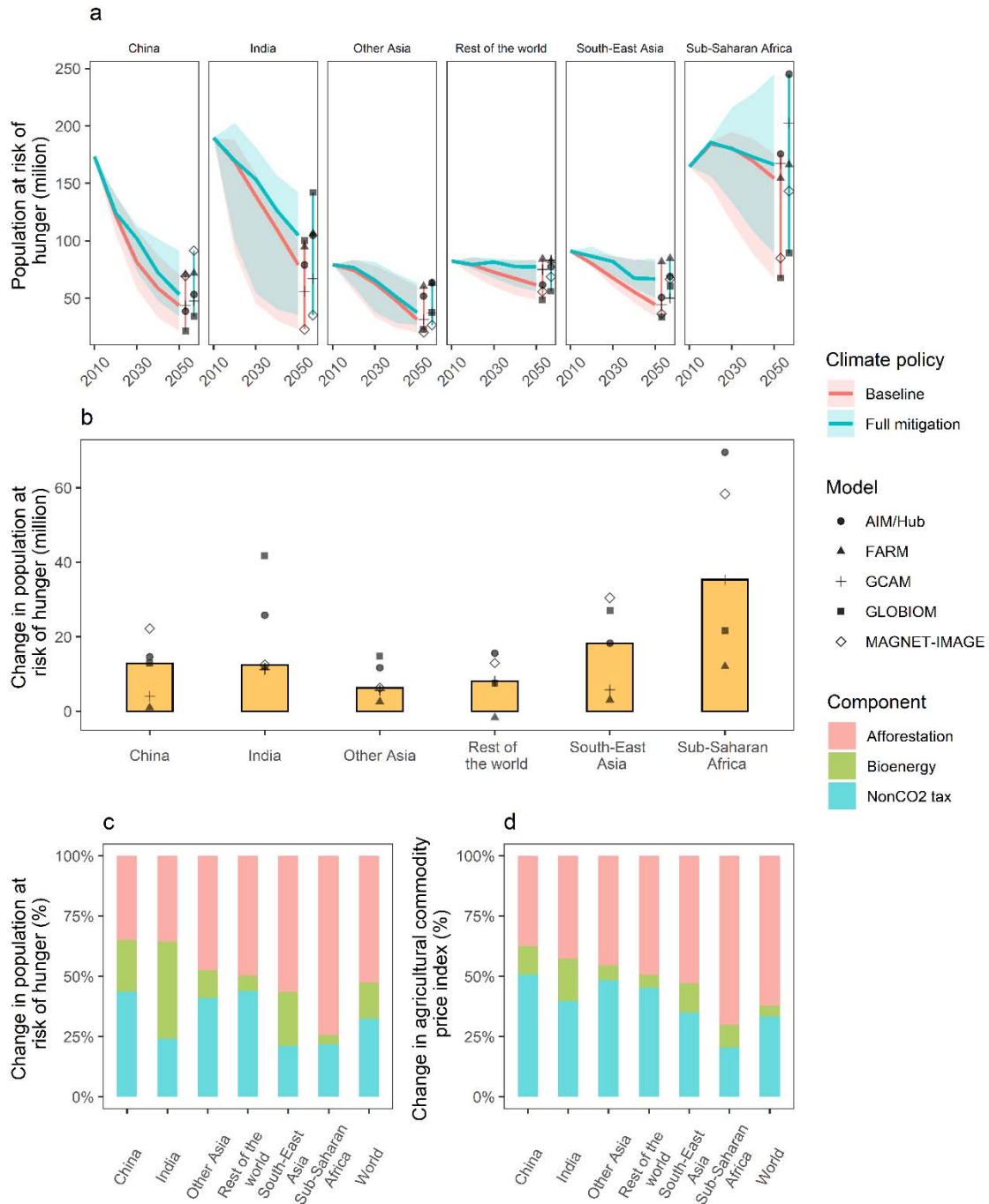
158 The global trend in terms of the composition shares of three mitigation measures in risk of hunger  
 159 is in principle similar across regions. Risk of hunger in most regions except for Sub-Saharan Africa is  
 160 projected to decrease overtime mainly driven by income growth as global results, which might not be  
 161 the case for short-term due to COVID-19. China and India have relatively high-income growth and  
 162 thus the risk of hunger rapidly decreases, which are 43.6 (21.4–70.7) and 79.0 (22.8–100.0) million,



163 respectively (Figure 3a). Population at risk of hunger in African regions decreased slightly from 164.5  
164 million in 2010 to 154.3 (67.6–175.6) million in 2050 despite of population growth; whereas the share  
165 in the world would increase from 21.1% in 2010 to 29.3% (23.0%–40.0%) in 2050. The relative  
166 change ratios associated with total mitigation measures would be more or less similar across regions  
167 and the absolute population changes would depend on the baseline projection except for African region.  
168 Consequently, the African region can be the largest and incremental population at risk of hunger in  
169 2050 is 35.3 (12.0–69.5) million (Figure 3a). The decomposition of three mitigation measures differ  
170 between Asian and African regions. Asian regions would have relatively high impacts in non-CO<sub>2</sub>  
171 emissions whereas African regions show large share in afforestation. Income could be an explanatory  
172 variable for this difference. Asia has higher income per capita than Africa (Supplementary Figure 8)  
173 which leads larger meat consumption and livestock oriented non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (Supplementary  
174 Figure 9 and Supplementary Figure 10). Another possibility is from the context of land rent, which is  
175 basically low in Africa than Asia and same carbon price can have large impact on Africa. More detailed  
176 regional results are shown in Supplementary Figure 12. Note that Asian rice field area is relatively  
177 larger which may lead larger CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, but it seems not the major factor for the above-mentioned  
178 price changes. (Supplementary Figure 11).

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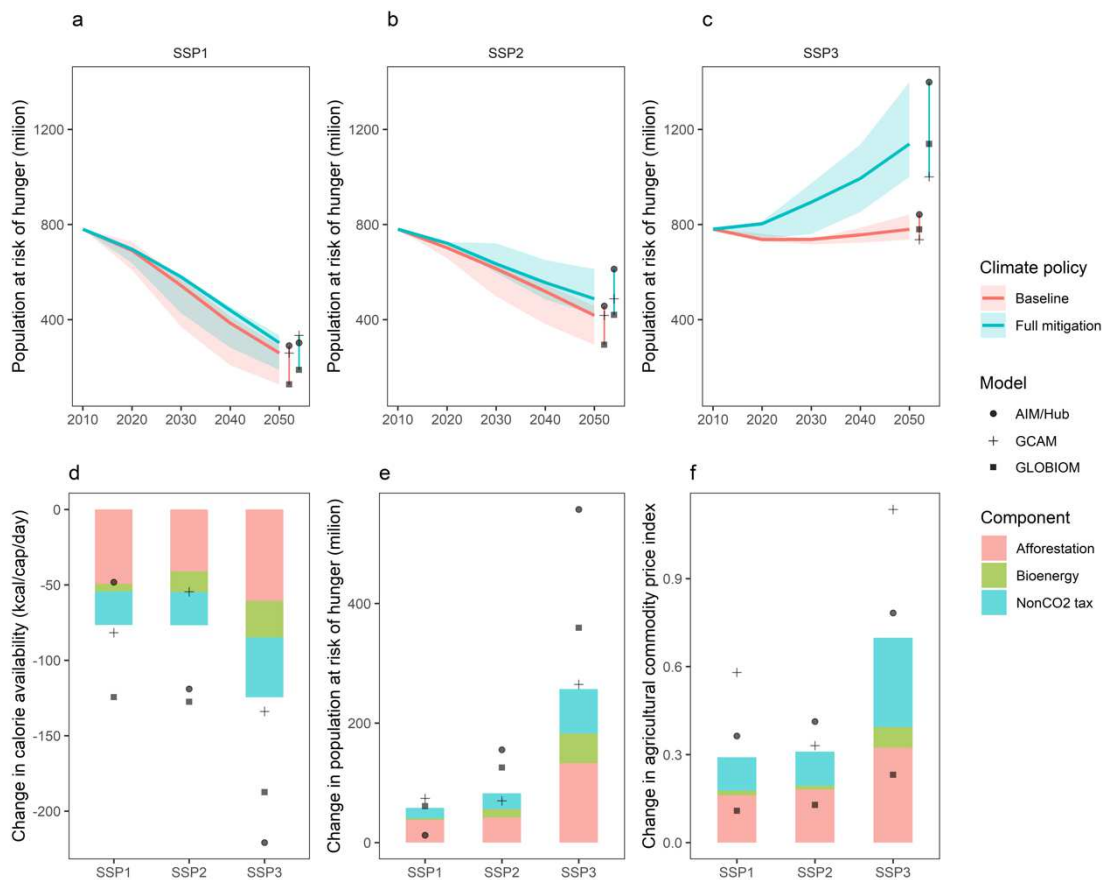
182 Figure 3 Regional effects of each land-based mitigation measures on risk of hunger and food price for  
 183 SSP2. panel **a** shows the population at risk of hunger over the period by regions and panel **b** shows  
 184 changes in risk of hunger of mitigation scenario relative to baseline scenario. Panel **cd** show percentage  
 185 share for each cause of changes in risk of hunger and agricultural price index. (see Supplementary  
 186 Table 1 for regional definition)

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188 **Socioeconomic variations**

189 The socioeconomic development is one of the key elements that determine future agricultural  
190 market and food security condition. We further carried out a sensitivity test under different  
191 socioeconomic assumptions namely SSP1 and SSP3 which have large variety in the future prospect  
192 (e.g. low population and high economic growth in SSP1, and high population and low economic  
193 development in SSP3)<sup>33</sup>. In baseline scenarios, population at risk of hunger decreases faster in SSP1  
194 as compared with SSP2 due to the rapid economic development particularly in current low-income  
195 countries. Meanwhile, SSP3 shows opposite to SSP1's direction which increases or stable in risk of  
196 hunger over the next couple of decades (Figure 4a). The response to the climate mitigation policies  
197 differ and the risk of hunger in SSP1 and SSP3 increases by 61.1 (12.3–73.9) and 359.3 (264.7–557.3)  
198 million compared with baseline scenarios respectively in 2050. This could be partly due to the  
199 differences in baseline hunger perspectives, but more importantly, the risk of hunger in SSP3 should  
200 be more sensitive than others to the same carbon price because the basic income is low and thus, hit  
201 the poor more severely. The percentage changes give clearer characteristics of SSPs; namely 28.4%  
202 (4.2%–47.9%) and 46.1% (36.0%–66.2%) in SSP1 and SSP3 respectively. We can also see this  
203 behavior from the price changes in Supplementary Figure 6.

204 In contrast to the total effects of climate mitigation, the decomposition of three causes show  
205 similar trend in all SSPs (Figure 4def). In SSP1, afforestation, bioenergy and non-CO<sub>2</sub> induce  
206 additional risk of hunger 37.6, 3.0, and 17.5 million (model median) while in SSP3 they are 132.7,  
207 49.7 and 74.4 million (model median), respectively in 2050. This would imply that the robustness of  
208 our findings in SSP2 shown earlier. It can also be interpreted that regardless of future socioeconomic  
209 conditions, the afforestation and non-CO<sub>2</sub> would be the main factors and thus policymakers would put  
210 more attention than bioenergy.



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 212 **Figure 4.** SSP variations in global population at risk of hunger (**abc**) and change in food consumption,  
 213 population at risk of hunger and agricultural price index in three SSPs in 2050 (**def**).  
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215 **Discussions and conclusions**

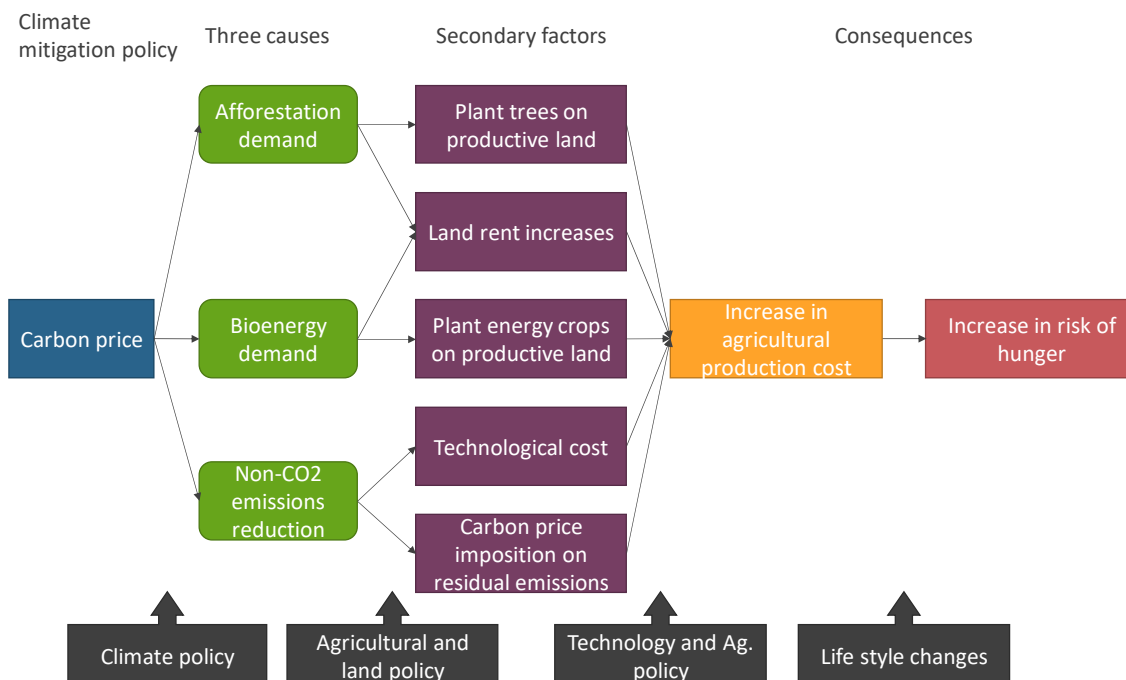
216 We have identified the three main causes of food security and agricultural changes associated  
 217 with climate change mitigation measures; namely afforestation, bioenergy expansion and non-CO<sub>2</sub>  
 218 emissions abatement. Afforestation turned out to be the primary driver of making adverse-side effects  
 219 on food security followed by non-CO<sub>2</sub>. We confirm this similar implication under different  
 220 socioeconomic assumptions with multiple global agricultural economic models. We further  
 221 demonstrate that specific extreme models do not lead our conclusion. Regionally, Sub-Saharan Africa  
 222 is most vulnerable to these shocks. Our results indicate the complexity and challenges in the AFOLU  
 223 sector's climate mitigation policy from multiple angles.

224 We summarize the logical chains of the causes and effects of climate change mitigation measures  
 225 and agricultural price increases in Figure 5 which we should think how to cut off any chains linking  
 226 to the cost increases for each. Most stringent climate stabilization scenarios heavily rely on negative  
 227 emissions technologies such as afforestation and BECCS, and non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions would be more  
 228 important under low or net zero emissions conditions<sup>4, 34</sup>. The carbon pricing on land carbon stock

229 generally increases the land rent and motivate land-owners to plant trees. Higher the carbon price and  
230 productivity, the stronger this incentive is. This afforestation induces the cropland decreases and  
231 production cost upwards. Bioenergy increases can trigger the similar effects. In this case, energy crop  
232 land is the competitors for food crops. The non-CO<sub>2</sub> effect has a slightly different way to increase the  
233 cost, which directly hit the food crop production by the technological implementation of non-CO<sub>2</sub>  
234 emissions abatement and carbon price imposition to the residual emissions. Once climate policy would  
235 give incentives to these measures, it might be difficult to cut-off the left arrows in Figure 5. One  
236 possibility to prevent this situation would be transforming the societal structure completely (e.g.  
237 reducing energy demand drastically<sup>35</sup> and lifestyle changes<sup>36</sup>). Although there are possibilities that the  
238 society move forward to such directions, it would be too optimistic to only bet on that.

239 The second left arrows in Figure 5 would be able to be somehow cut off by policy. For example,  
240 even if large scale afforestation and bioenergy expansion occur, land rent could be controlled by policy.  
241 To prevent those land demands invading cropland for food, the strong regulation on the cropland for  
242 food cultivation might also work. Note that without the carbon pricing on land sink, there would be  
243 strong incentives to cultivate the land for gaining negative emissions and thus there must be some  
244 policies specifically to deal with non-food land demand<sup>37, 38</sup>. Regarding the right-hand side arrows  
245 linking from secondary effects to the production costs in Figure 5, policy roles would again be crucial,  
246 but technology can also change the situation. As current agricultural policy conditions in many  
247 countries, there are more or less supports for agricultural production directly or indirectly. This would  
248 imply that the production cost increase could be managed by such policies similarly. For example, the  
249 subsidy would be often used for the agricultural sector, and in this case, subsidy for the incremental  
250 cost to off-set the price increases could be a possible solution. Then, the issue of this policy would be  
251 the scale of the market distortion. The current estimates show the cost increases by around 30% relative  
252 to baseline. If we aim to subsidize these cost increases, how to get the tax revenue as a source of  
253 subsidy and getting social acceptance would be an issue. Note that carbon tax revenue might be a right  
254 candidate for this purpose<sup>39</sup>. Technological progress in non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction and bioenergy  
255 yield would mitigate the agricultural cost increases. While it is essential to encourage research and  
256 development in those technologies, we should keep in mind that technological progress is essentially  
257 uncertain.

258 Besides the supply side management, there can be demand-side transition to mitigate the adverse  
259 side effects such as dietary shift reducing meat consumption<sup>40, 41</sup>, changing distribution of food for the  
260 poor people and implementing subsidy for consumption<sup>14, 42</sup>. In any cases, abovementioned measures  
261 may not be effective with a single independent action. We would need holistic approaches for food  
262 security under deep decarbonization transition. Trade would be thought as one of the measures to fill  
263 the gap between supply and demand in general, but at least in our study's framework it would not be  
264 a magical tool to resolve all issues because the climate policy (carbon price) is implemented globally.



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**Figure 5. Summary of the three factors and effects on agricultural production cost and food security.**

Other than the above discussion points, there should be some more arguments. First, the model uncertainty was not so small to indicate that the conclusion is always hold with any models in this study and this model variation comes from several factors. One is the way how to implement emissions reduction measures. For example, the models that show relatively high afforestation effects are AIM, GCAM and MAGNET, which explicit have land rent representation that may be related to the outcome. As reported earlier, land rent is currently relatively cheap, and carbon pricing on carbon sink would drastically affect. In contrast, GLOBIOM has no explicit land rent representation, and the cost increases in agricultural commodities would be caused by cropland shift from high to low productivity area. These differences would be eventually crucial. Since the structure quite differs across models (at least partial equilibrium models and general equilibrium models), it would be difficult to completely harmonize the way of implementation of mitigation measures and the model ranges would not be narrowed even if we put much efforts on that.

Second, in this study, we purely focused on agricultural and food security aspects, but there must be side-effects of afforestation on ecosystem (e.g. biodiversity). If forest area is newly expanded and revert to the natural forest land using such as native tree species, that would have additional environmental co-benefit in regenerating habitat of the lives<sup>43</sup>. In contrast, if the afforestation purely aims to sequesterate carbon from the atmosphere, the tree species for that purpose might be transplanted

287 from elsewhere, which would not be attractive for the native species. Still, the land productivity of  
288 carbon sequestration is crucial as discussed earlier, if the afforestation purely aims to take the carbon  
289 from the atmosphere, the tree species to be chosen would be not the natural vegetation, and thus the  
290 concerns for the ecosystem would remain. Moreover, nitrogen pollution, water consumption can  
291 change from the climate change mitigation<sup>44, 45, 46</sup> and comprehensive environmental assessment  
292 would allow us to see different implications.

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## 294 **Method**

### 295 **Overall methodology**

296 We carried out a scenario analysis to decompose afforestation, bioenergy and non-CO<sub>2</sub> effects  
297 on agricultural market and food security. Overall research framework is shown in Supplementary  
298 Figure 1. Six state-of-the-art global agricultural economic or integrated assessment models, which  
299 sufficiently represent agricultural sectors, and land use to assess the interaction between climate  
300 mitigation and food security, are applied for this scenario exercise. Global economic models compute  
301 the agricultural consumptions, production, land-use area and associated emissions by crops and  
302 livestock as well as forestry. Food consumption is then fed into hunger tool which computes individual  
303 countries' food consumption distribution and population at risk of hunger. To identify the magnitude  
304 of three causes on agricultural market, we developed a sensitivity scenario protocol that systematically  
305 switching on/off the mitigation options. Here we describe 1) scenario definition and protocol, 2) a  
306 brief model overview for each agricultural model (a summary is in Supplementary Table 2), and 3)  
307 hunger tool description.

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### 309 **Scenarios and experiment design**

310 We developed a set of scenarios with combination of three socio-economic conditions and one  
311 mitigation policy scenarios (and one baseline scenario) that are consistent with 2 °C goal stated in the  
312 Paris Agreement or equivalent to RCP2.6 level emissions reduction<sup>47</sup>. For the socio-economic  
313 assumptions, we used three SSPs from the internationally developed SSP framework designed to  
314 conduct cross-sectoral assessments of climate change impact, adaptation, and mitigation<sup>26</sup>. The SSPs  
315 are representative future scenarios, which includes both qualitative and quantitative information in  
316 terms of challenges in mitigation and adaptation to climate change. In this study, we used three SSP  
317 scenarios from the SSP framework, i.e., “sustainability” (SSP1)<sup>23</sup>, “middle of the road” (SSP2)<sup>48</sup>, and  
318 “regional rivalry pathways” (SSP3)<sup>18</sup> to address the uncertainty of socio-economic conditions.

319 To isolate the effect of each land-based mitigation options (afforestation, bioenergy, and non-CO<sub>2</sub>  
320 emissions reduction + carbon price imposition), we used a recently developed<sup>49, 50</sup> and widely applied  
321 methodology<sup>27</sup> that identifies the individual effects of an input factor with a limited number of model  
322 experiments even in a complex system. In general, we could classify the mitigation options into four

323 categories, i.e., afforestation, bioenergy, non-CO<sub>2</sub> pricing, and other (tax on non-AgLU sectors). The  
324 first three are land-related mitigation options and are the focus of this study. Therefore, we designed  
325 three scenarios with each applying only one of the land-related mitigation options, and one scenario  
326 that apply all three options simultaneously, as shown in Supplementary Table 3 (for the models with  
327 non-agricultural sectoral emission (e.g., energy sectors), including AIM, GCAM, and FARM, since it  
328 is difficult to turn off these mitigation options, tax on non-agricultural sectoral emission was also  
329 applied in these four scenarios).

330 We have also run sensitivity scenarios for the models with enough modeling ability, where most  
331 mitigation measures are available and only one is switched off with AIM and GLOBIOM which  
332 sufficiently represent all agricultural activities and GHG emissions(Supplementary Table 2 and  
333 Supplementary Table 3). This exercise could enhance the robustness of our decomposition  
334 methodology, which is similar to the way carried out by other climate change literatures<sup>27, 51</sup>  
335 (Supplementary Table 4). For all mitigation scenarios, a global uniform carbon tax (except for FARM,  
336 which applies an endogenous carbon price??) was imposed in these mitigation scenarios<sup>48</sup>, as shown  
337 in Supplementary Figure 2. All model submission status is shown in Supplementary Table 5.

338 Regarding non-agricultural sectors interactions, models without representation of non-  
339 agricultural sectors (CAPRI, GLOBIOM, IMAGE-MAGNET) can be assessed by directly comparing  
340 baseline and mitigation scenarios. For the models with representation of non-agricultural sectoral  
341 sectors (AIM, GCAM, FARM), we need to further identify the effect of non-agricultural activity (e.g.  
342 macro-economic feedback associated with energy system changes) and thus we run all mitigation  
343 measures off scenarios (Supplementary Table 6). The final result presented was the average of scenario  
344 sets and decomposition method, which aimed to account for the uncertainty in modeling capacity and  
345 decomposition method.

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### 347 **Model description**

348 **AIM/Hub**<sup>18</sup>, which is formerly named as AIM/CGE, is a one-year-step recursive-type dynamic  
349 general equilibrium model that covers all regions of the world. The AIM/Hub model includes 17  
350 regions and 42 industrial classifications. For appropriate assessment of bioenergy and land use  
351 competition, agricultural sectors are also highly disaggregated<sup>52</sup>. Details of the model structure and  
352 mathematical formulae are described by Fujimori, Masui<sup>53</sup>. The production sectors are assumed to  
353 maximize profits under multi-nested constant elasticity substitution (CES) functions and each input  
354 price. Energy transformation sectors input energy and value-added are fixed coefficients of output.  
355 They are treated in this manner to deal with energy conversion efficiency appropriately in the energy  
356 transformation sectors. Power generation values from several energy sources are combined with a  
357 Logit function. This functional form was used to ensure energy balance because the CES function does  
358 not guarantee an energy balance. Household expenditures on each commodity are described by a linear



359 expenditure system function. The parameters adopted in the linear expenditure system function are  
360 recursively updated by income elasticity assumptions<sup>24</sup>. Land use is determined by Logit selection<sup>54</sup>.  
361 Land use change emissions are derived from the forest area change relative to the previous year  
362 multiplied by the carbon stock density, which is differentiated by AEZs (Global Agro-Ecological  
363 Zones). Non-energy-related emissions other than land use change emissions are assumed to be in  
364 proportion to the level of each activity (such as output). CH<sub>4</sub> has a range of sources, mainly the rice  
365 production, livestock, fossil fuel mining, and waste management sectors. N<sub>2</sub>O is emitted as a result of  
366 fertilizer application and livestock manure management and by the chemical industry.

367

368 **MAGNET-IMAGE** is the combination of the agro-economic model MAGNET<sup>55</sup> and the integrated  
369 assessment model IMAGE<sup>56</sup>. MAGNET is a multi-regional, multi-sectoral, applied general  
370 equilibrium model<sup>56</sup>. based on neo-classical microeconomic theory which is an extension of the  
371 standard GTAP model. The core of MAGNET is an input–output model, which links industries in  
372 value added chains from primary goods to final goods and services for consumption. Input and output  
373 prices are endogenously determined by the markets to achieve supply and demand equilibrium. The  
374 agricultural sector is represented in high detail compared to standard CGE models. Developments in  
375 productivity are driven by a combination of assumptions on autonomous technological change  
376 provided by IMAGE and by economic processes as modelled by MAGNET (i.e. substitution between  
377 production factors). Land is modelled as an explicit production factor described by a land supply curve,  
378 constructed with land availability data provided by IMAGE.

379 IMAGE is a comprehensive integrated assessment framework, modelling interactions between the  
380 human and natural systems<sup>56</sup>. The framework comprises a number of sub-models describing land use,  
381 agricultural economy, the energy system, natural vegetation, hydrology, and the climate system. In this  
382 study specifically the land component is applied which represents land use, crop production,  
383 afforestation and the carbon cycle spatially explicitly at 5 arc-minutes resolution.

384 Emissions in MAGNET are coupled to all relevant sectors. Technical mitigation of non-CO<sub>2</sub> GHG  
385 emissions from agricultural is based on Lucas et al<sup>57</sup>. The residual emissions are taxed in MAGNET.  
386 The costs of technical mitigation are also implemented as part of the tax. The level of avoided  
387 deforestation and afforestation policy is determined in IMAGE through the climate policy model  
388 FAIR-SimCAP that makes a cost-effectiveness assessment of these mitigation options compared to  
389 other options energy and industry sectors<sup>16</sup>. The policy measures are subsequently implemented in  
390 MAGNET through reduced land availability.

391

392 **GLOBIOM** (GLObal BIOSphere Management) model, which is a partial-equilibrium model<sup>58</sup>.

393 GLOBIOM represents the competition between different land-use based activities. It includes a  
394 detailed representation of the agricultural, forestry and bio-energy sector, which allows for the  
395 inclusion of detailed grid-cell information on biophysical constraints and technological costs, as well  
396 as a rich set of environmental parameters, incl. comprehensive AFOLU (agriculture, forestry and other  
397 land use) GHG emission accounts and irrigation water use. For spatially explicit projections of the  
398 change in afforestation, deforestation, forest management, and their related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions,  
399 GLOBIOM is coupled with the G4M (Global FORest Model) model<sup>59</sup>. As outputs, G4M provides  
400 estimates of forest area change, carbon uptake and release by forests, and supply of biomass for  
401 bioenergy and timber.

402

403 **GCAM** integrated assessment model links modules of the economy, the energy system, the agriculture  
404 and land-use system, and the climate<sup>60, 61, 62</sup>. The agriculture and land-use component determines  
405 supply, demand, and prices for crop, animal and forestry production and bioenergy based on expected  
406 profitability. In doing so, the model determines land allocation across these categories, as well as  
407 pastureland, grassland, shrubland, and noncommercial forestland. The agriculture and land-use  
408 component of GCAM is fully-coupled with the energy, economic, and climate modules within GCAM;  
409 that is, all four components are solved simultaneously. In the version of GCAM used in this study,  
410 bioenergy provides the primary linkage between the agriculture and land-use component and the  
411 energy component, with bioenergy produced by the land system and consumed by the energy system.  
412 The agriculture and land component is coupled to the energy economy through bioenergy and carbon  
413 prices. Carbon prices are imposed iteratively until the prescribed climate target is reached. The carbon  
414 prices influence the cost of fossil fuel energy technologies, and the profitability of land cover options.  
415 In particular, GCAM assumes the carbon price is applied to carbon stocks held in the terrestrial system,  
416 incentivizing land owners to increase these stocks. As a result, strong incentives exist to expand carbon  
417 stocks under a climate policy, resulting in significant afforestation. The agriculture and land-use  
418 component is connected to the climate through emissions (CO<sub>2</sub> and non-CO<sub>2</sub>), which are produced by  
419 the land system and passed into the climate system to calculate concentrations, radiative forcings, and  
420 other climate indicators.

421

422 **CAPRI** (Common Agricultural Policy Regionalised Impact) modelling system is an economic large-  
423 scale, comparative-static, partial equilibrium model focusing on agriculture and the primary  
424 processing sectors ([www.capri-model.org](http://www.capri-model.org)). CAPRI comprises two interacting modules, linking a set  
425 of mathematical programming models of EU regional agricultural supply to a spatial multicommodity  
426 model for global agri-food markets. The regional EU supply models depict a profit maximizing  
427 behavior of representative farms for all EU NUTS 2 regions (i.e. the Nomenclature of territorial units  
428 for statistics is a hierarchical system developed by EUROSTAT for dividing up the economic territory

429 of the EU), taking constraints related to land availability, nutrient balances for cropping and animal  
430 activities and policy restrictions into account. The market module consists of a spatial, non-stochastic  
431 global multi-commodity model for about 60 primary and processed agricultural products, covering 77  
432 countries in 40 trading blocks. Bilateral trade flows and attached prices are modelled based on the  
433 Armington assumption of quality differentiation<sup>63</sup>. The behavioral functions in the market model  
434 represent supply and demand for primary agricultural and processed commodities (including human  
435 and feed consumption, biofuel use, import demand from multilateral trade relations), balancing  
436 constraints and agricultural market policy instruments (i.e. import tariffs, tariff rate quotas, producer  
437 and consumer support estimates, etc.) . With regard to GHG accounting, CAPRI calculates EU  
438 agricultural GHG emissions for the most important nitrous oxide and methane emission sources based  
439 on the inputs and outputs of agricultural production activities, following to a large extent the 2006  
440 IPCC guidelines. It also includes specific technical and management-based GHG mitigation options  
441 for EU agriculture into account. GHG emissions for the rest of the world are estimated on a commodity  
442 basis in the market model<sup>64</sup>

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444 **FARM** (Future Agricultural Resources Model) is a global computable general equilibrium (CGE)  
445 model with 13 world regions that operates in 5-year steps from 2011 to 2101<sup>65</sup>. Data requirements  
446 include a base-year social accounting matrix from the Global Trade Analysis Project (GTAP) at Purdue  
447 University, energy balances from the International Energy Agency, land use from the Food and  
448 Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations, and agricultural production from FAO. FARM  
449 has been extended in many ways beyond the “GTAP in GAMS” model described in Lanz and  
450 Rutherford (2016)<sup>66</sup>: conversion from comparative-static to a recursive-dynamic framework;  
451 conversion of the consumer demand system from constant-elasticity-of-substitution (CES) to the  
452 Linear Expenditure System (LES); allowing for joint products in production functions; introduction  
453 of land classes for agricultural and forestry production; and introduction of electricity-generating  
454 technologies. Two markets are important for bioelectricity: the market for land and the market for  
455 electricity. Bioelectricity must compete against crops, pasture, and forest for land, and must also  
456 compete for a share of electricity generation. Land shifts among crops, pasture, and forests in response  
457 to population growth, dietary preference, changes in agricultural productivity, and policies such as a  
458 renewable portfolio standard or a carbon tax. Land competition is based on the land rent for each  
459 competing use: land use is adjusted within agroecological zones until rents at the margin are equal.  
460 Carbon dioxide capture and storage is available for electricity generated from fossil fuels and from  
461 bioelectricity.

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#### 463 **The estimation method of number of people at risk of hunger**

464 In principle, the risk of hunger can be calculated by referring to the mean calorie consumption,

465 which is the same approach as in AIM and IMAGE. The narrow definition of undernourishment or  
 466 hunger is a state of energy (calorie) deprivation lasting over one year; this does not include the short-  
 467 lived effects of temporary crises<sup>67, 68</sup>. Furthermore, this does not include inadequate intake of other  
 468 essential nutrients<sup>67</sup>. The population at risk of hunger is a proportion of the total population and is  
 469 calculated using Eq. 1.

$$470 \quad Risk_t = POP_t \cdot PoU_t \quad (Eq. 1)$$

where,

$t$  : year

471  $Risk_t$  : population at risk of hunger in year  $t$  [person]

$POP_t$  : population in year  $t$  [person]

$PoU_t$  : proportion of the population at risk of hunger in year  $t$  [-]

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473 According to the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) methodology<sup>69</sup>, the proportion of the  
 474 population at risk of hunger is defined using Eqs. 2 to 4. With the FAO methodology, the proportion  
 475 is calculated using three parameters: the mean food calorie consumption per person per day ( $cal$ ), the  
 476 mean minimum dietary energy requirement ( $M$ ), and the coefficient of variation of the food  
 477 distribution of the dietary energy consumption in a country ( $CV$ ). The food distribution within a  
 478 country is assumed to follow a log normal distribution. The proportion of the population under the  
 479 mean minimum dietary energy requirement ( $M$ ) is defined as the proportion of the population at risk  
 480 of hunger. The log normal distribution has two parameters, the mean  $\mu_t$  and the variance  $\sigma_t$ , as in Eq.  
 481 2. The parameters  $\mu_t$  and  $\sigma_t$  can be represented using the mean food calorie consumption per person  
 482 per day ( $cal$ ) and the coefficient of variation of the domestic distribution of dietary energy  
 483 consumption ( $CV$ ) as Eqs. 3 and 4.

484 Each IAM reports the mean food calorie consumption per person per day ( $cal$ ). We standardize  
 485 the base year calorie consumption to what FAO reports and take the change ratio of each year to the  
 486 base year for IAMs. We then compute the standardized calorie consumption to make a consistent  
 487 number for those at risk of hunger. In this process, since the IAM's are regionally aggregated values,  
 488 they are downscaled to the individual country level by taking the base year value reported FAO and  
 489 future change ratio from IAMs. The  $CV$  is an indicator of food security observed in a household  
 490 survey conducted by the FAO. It ranges from 0 to 1. FAO country data for  $CV$  are weighted on the  
 491 basis of population data in the base year and aggregated to regional classification to obtain the  $CV$  of  
 492 aggregated regions. The  $CV$  is changed over time with the consideration of income growth dynamics  
 493 as presented in Hasegawa et al.<sup>24</sup>. Note that there is an assumption that the future  $CV$  changes of  
 494 each region is based on the current regional value.

$$495 \quad PoU_t = \Phi \left( \frac{\log M_t - \mu(cal_t, \sigma_t)}{\sigma_t} \right) \quad (Eq. 2)$$

496 
$$\mu(cal_t, \sigma_t) = \log_e cal_t - \sigma_t^2 / 2 \quad (\text{Eq. 3})$$

497 
$$\sigma_t = \left[ \log_e (CV^2 + 1) \right]^{0.5} \quad (\text{Eq. 4})$$

where,

$M_t$  : mean minimum dietary energy requirement in year  $t$

498  $CV_t$  : coefficient of variation of the inter-national distribution of dietary energy consumption in year  $t$

$\Phi$  : standard normal cumulative distribution

$cal_t$  : mean food calorie intake per person per day in year  $t$

499

500 The mean minimum dietary energy requirement ( $M$ ) is calculated for each year and country  
 501 by using the mean minimum dietary energy requirement in the base year at the country level <sup>70, 71, 72</sup>  
 502 and an adjustment coefficient for the minimum energy requirements per person in different age and  
 503 sex groups <sup>71</sup> and the population of each age and sex group in each year <sup>72</sup>, as in Eqs. 5 and 6.

504 
$$M_t = M_{base} \cdot \frac{MER_t}{MER_{base}} \quad (\text{Eq. 5})$$

505 
$$MER_t = \frac{\sum_{i,j} RMER_{i,j} \cdot P_{class_{i,j,t}}}{\sum_{i,j} P_{class_{i,j,t}}} \quad (\text{Eq. 6})$$

506 where,

507  $i$ : age group;

508  $j$ : sex;

509  $M_{base}$ : mean minimum dietary energy requirement per person in the base year;

510  $MER_t$ : Mean adjustment coefficient of minimum energy requirements per person in year  $t$ ;

511  $MER_{base}$ : Mean adjustment coefficient of the minimum energy requirements per person in the base  
 512 year;

513  $RMER_{i,j}$ : Adjustment coefficient for the minimum energy requirements per person of age  $i$  and sex  $j$ ;

514  $P_{class_{i,j,t}}$ : population of age  $i$  and sex  $j$  in year  $t$ .

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516 **Data availability**

517 Model output data is available at <http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4319606>.

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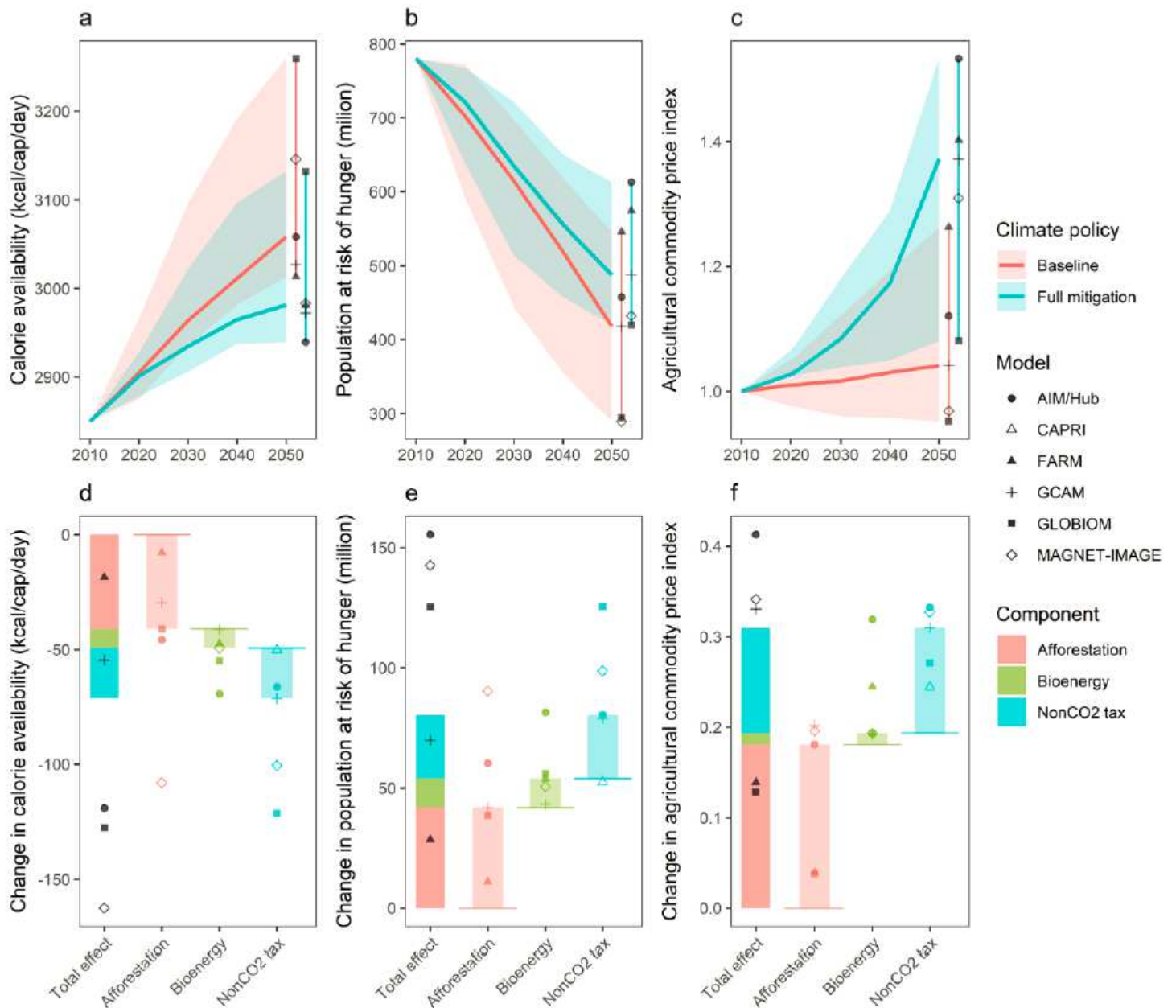
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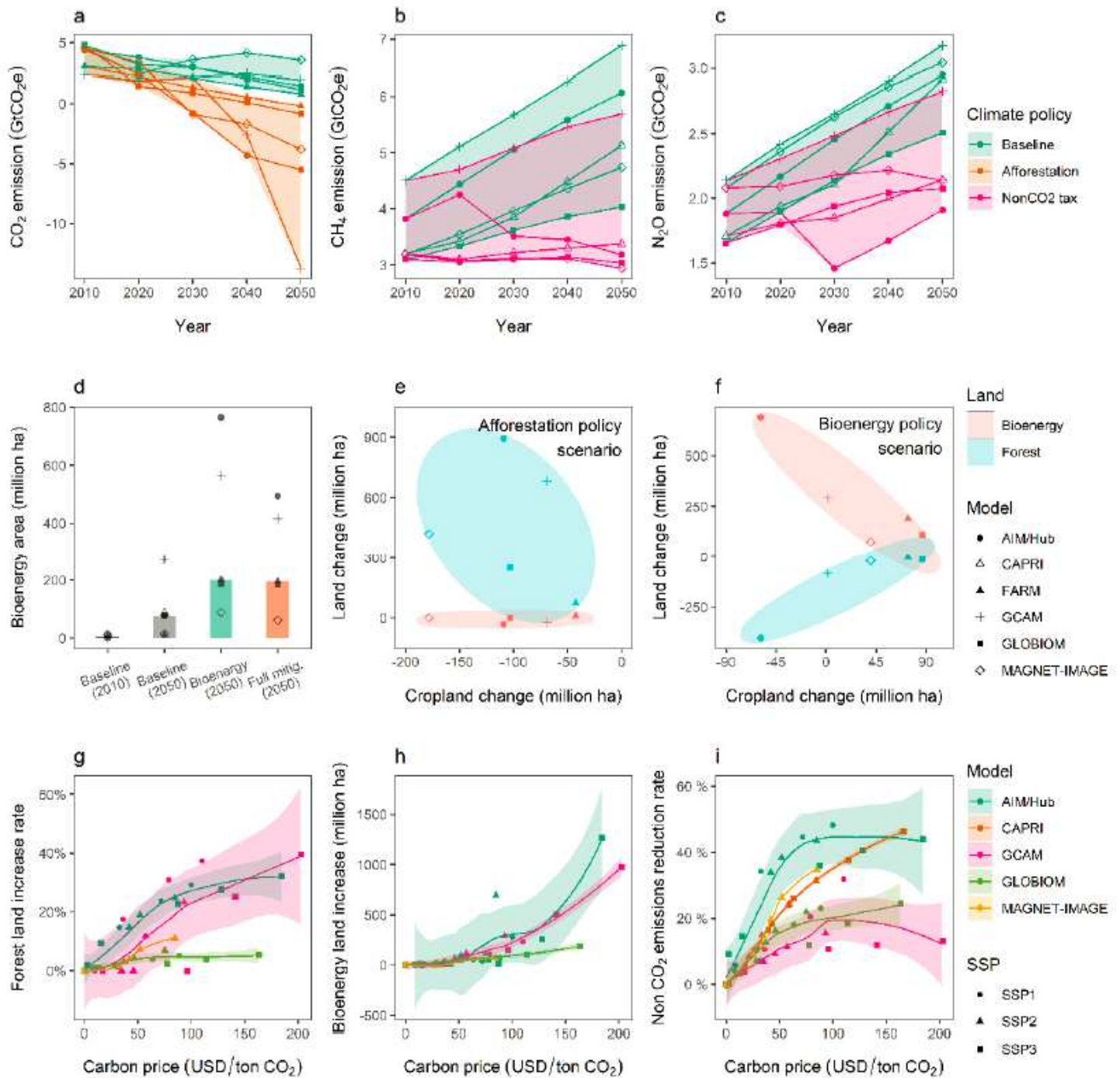
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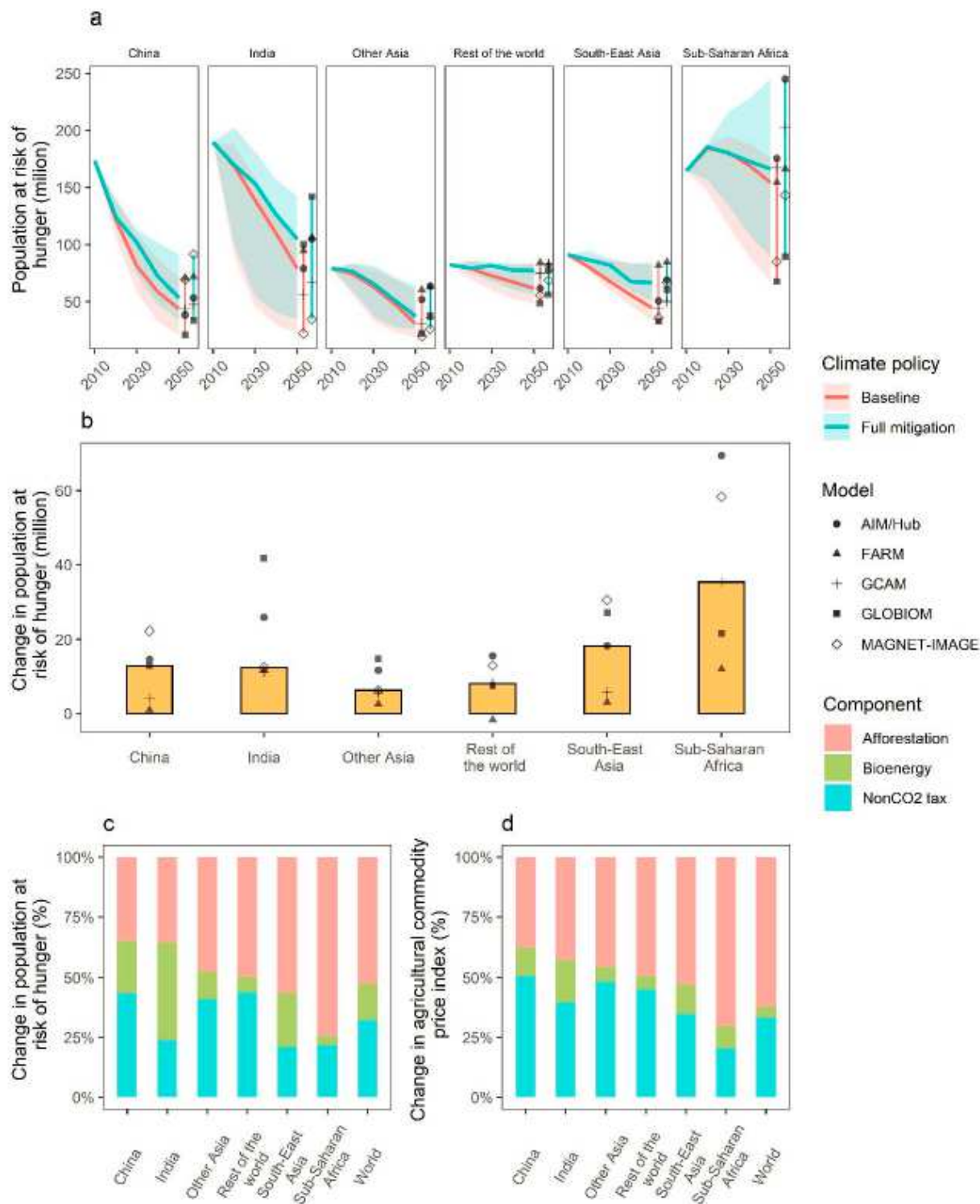
**Figure 1**

Calorie availability (a), population at risk of hunger (b), and agricultural commodity price (c) in baseline and mitigation (full) scenarios, and the effects of each land-based mitigation measures on their change (def) for SSP2 (results based on four models with complete scenarios were shown in Supplementary Figure 5)



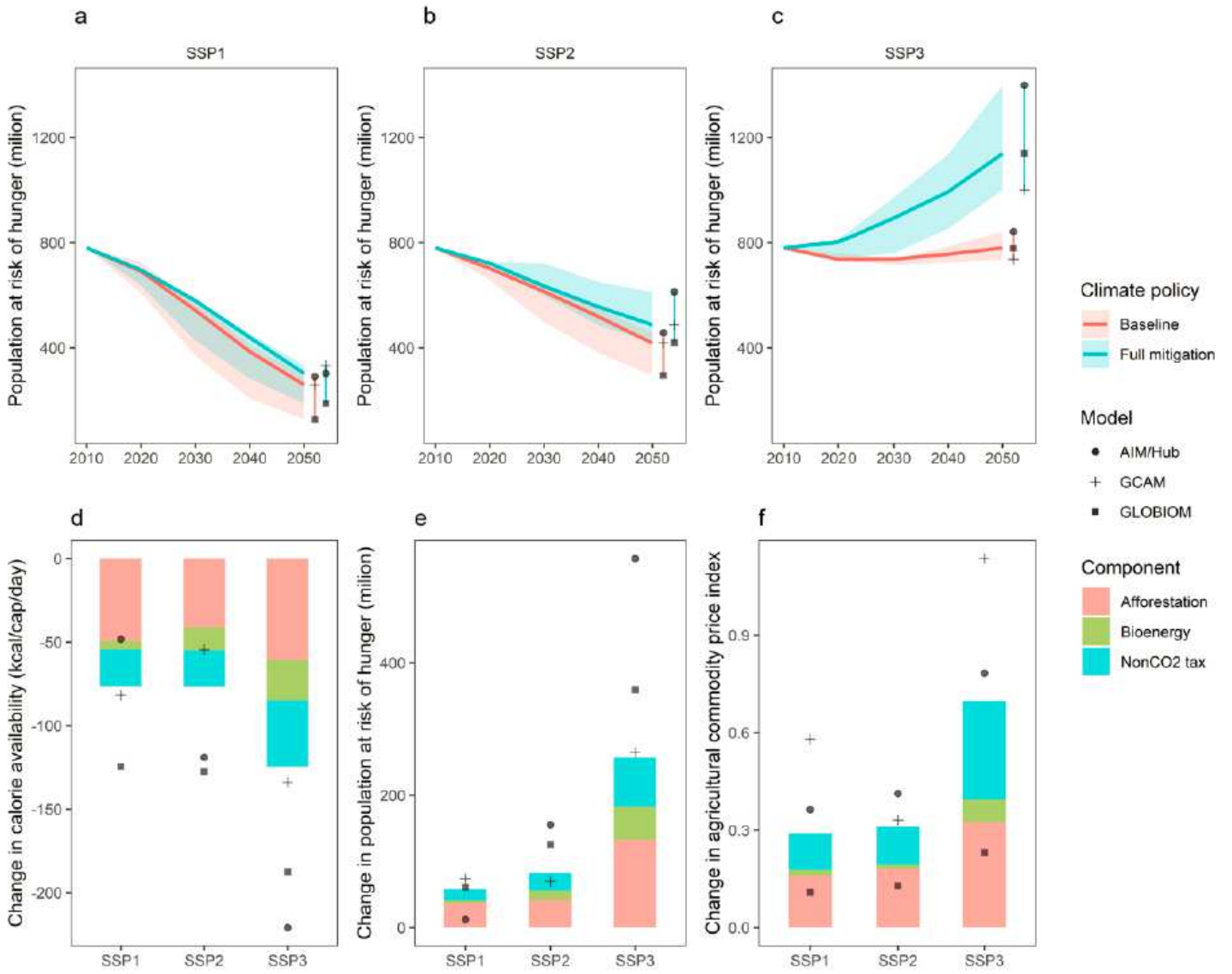
**Figure 2**

Main drivers of mitigation effects for SSP2. Panel ab and c present CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from AFOLU sector. Panel d shows bioenergy land in each scenario. Panel e and f illustrate the relationship between cropland area, and bioenergy and forest area changes. Panel ghi show the relationship between carbon price and forest area, bioenergy area and non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction rates (Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent value using GWP2100 in AR5).



**Figure 3**

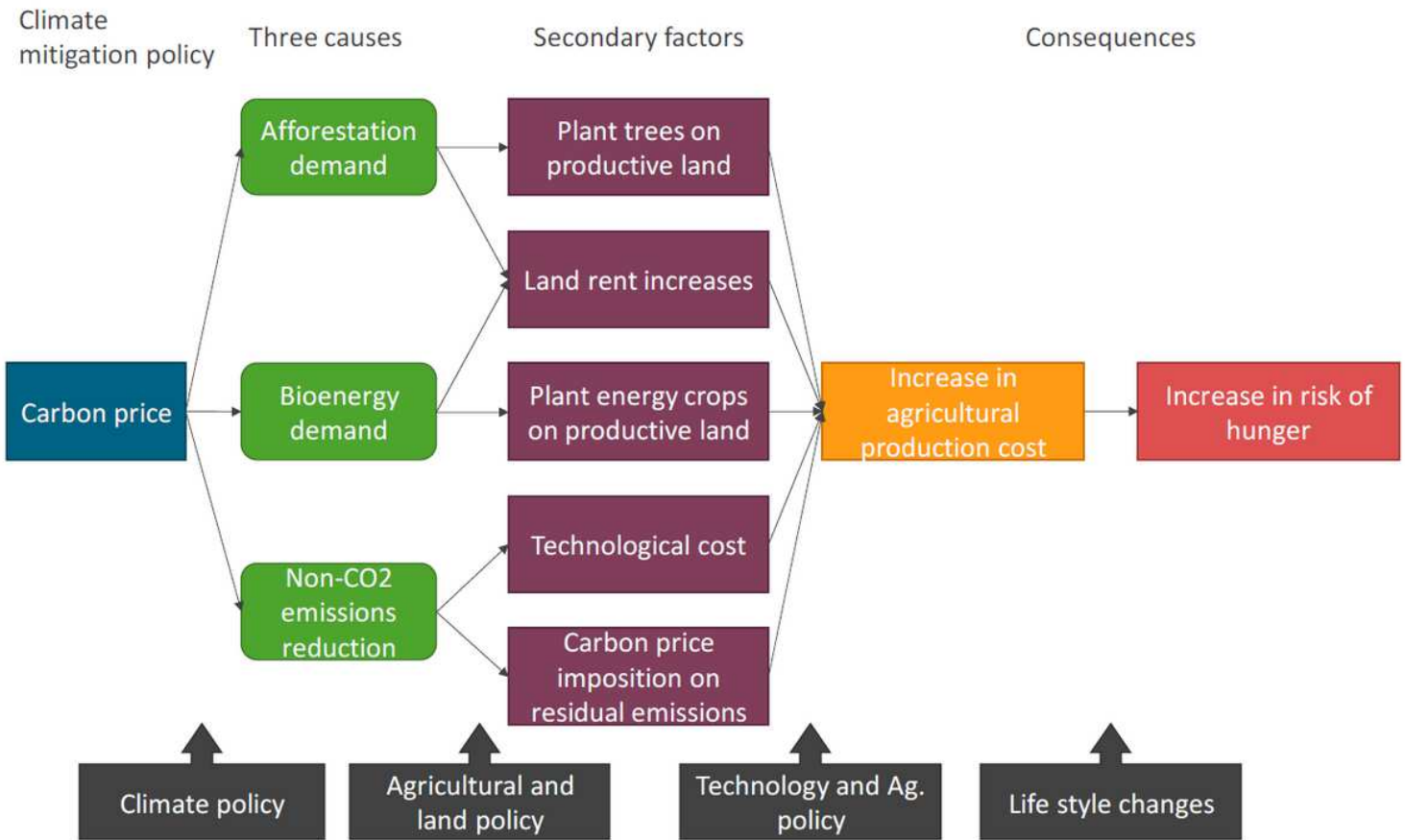
Regional effects of each land-based mitigation measures on risk of hunger and food price for SSP2. panel a shows the population at risk of hunger over the period by regions and panel b shows changes in risk of hunger of mitigation scenario relative to baseline scenario. Panel cd show percentage share for each cause of changes in risk of hunger and agricultural price index. (see Supplementary Table 1 for regional definition)



**Figure 4**

SSP variations in global population at risk of hunger (abc) and change in food consumption, population at risk of hunger and agricultural price index in three SSPs in 2050 (def).





**Figure 5**

Summary of the three factors and effects on agricultural production cost and food security.

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