## **Supplement to:**

## Mass balance and area changes of glaciers in the Cordillera Real and Tres Cruces, Bolivia, between 2000 and 2016

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**Figure S1:** Semivariogram of elevation change measurements on stable ground for the period 2000-2013 (100000 random samples, 30 m distance intervals, 20 km maximum distance). Solid blue line: fitted spherical semivariogram function



**Figure S2:** Hypsometric distribution of elevation changes (*dh*) on glacier surfaces (inventory 2013) between the Pléiades DEM and TanDEM-X DEM in 2013.  $dh_{AW}$ : area weighted mean values below and above the equilibrium line altitude (ELA) of 5144 m a.s.l. from Rabatel and others (2012). Error bars indicate NMAD of *dh* for each hypsometric bin.



**Figure S3.** Glacier area changes of subsets of the study region indicated in Figure 3. Ice divides (black polygons) are from the glacier outlines in 2000. Background: SRTM hillshade © NASA 2000



**Figure S4**: Relative area changes (2000-2016) of individual glaciers (dot color) plotted against glacier size (dot size), median elevation (distance from center) and mean aspect (orientation). Red circle: equilibrium line altitude (ELA) from Rabatel and others (2012).



**Figure S5**: Relative area changes (2013-2016) of individual glaciers (dot color) plotted against glacier size (dot size), median elevation (distance from center) and mean aspect (orientation). Red circle: equilibrium line altitude (ELA) from Rabatel and others (2012).



**Figure S6.** Glacier surface elevation changes between 2000 and 2013 of subset indicated in Figure 5. Background SRTM hillshade © NASA 2000



**Figure S7.** Glacier surface elevation changes between 2013 and 2016 of subset indicated in Figure 5. Background SRTM hillshade © NASA 2000

2000-2016



**Figure S8**: Hypsometric distribution of glacier area (light blue), glacier area with dh/dt measurements (red) and mean dh/dt values of each hypsometric bin for the observation period 2000-2016. Error bars indicate NMAD of dh/dt for each hypsometric bin.

2013-2016



**Figure S9:** Hypsometric distribution of glacier area (light blue), glacier area with dh/dt measurements (red) and mean dh/dt values of each hypsometric bin for the observation period 2013-2016. Error bars indicate NMAD of dh/dt for each hypsometric bin.



**Figure S10.** Specific mass balance (spMB) distributions of individual glaciers for different study periods.



**Figure S11:** Specific mass balance 2000-2016 of individual glaciers (dot color) plotted against glacier size (dot size), median elevation (distance from center) and mean aspect (orientation). Red circle: equilibrium line altitude (ELA) from Rabatel and others (2012). Note: only glaciers with >40% elevation change data coverage, which is spread over >2/3 of the hypsometric distribution are included.



**Figure S12:** Specific mass balance 2013-2016 of individual glaciers (dot color) plotted against glacier size (dot size), median elevation (distance from center) and mean aspect (orientation). Red circle: equilibrium line altitude (ELA) from Rabatel and others (2012). Note: only glaciers with >40% elevation change data coverage, which is spread over >2/3 of the hypsometric distribution are included.



**Figure S13:** Specific mass balance (spMB) of individual glaciers plotted against maximum glacier elevation ( $h_{max}$ ) for different periods. Solid lines: linear fit of spMB data. The table in the lower right corner summarizes the average spMB for glaciers with  $h_{max}$  > 5400 m and < 5400 m and for all glaciers. \*area weighted average of all glaciers.



**Figure S14.** Specific mass balance (spMB) of individual glaciers plotted against mean glacier aspect. Red line: sinusoidal curve fitting.



**Figure S15:** Temperature recordings at Zongo Glacier. Upper panel: the "Mevis" station was replaced by "Plataforma" (same elevation, 40 m distance) in 2011.



Figure S16. Temperature recordings at Charquini Sur Glacier.



**Figure S17:** Temporal evolution of accumulation-area-ratio (AAR), equilibrium line altitude (ELA), cumulative mass balance (cumMB) and specific mass balance (spMB) at Zongo Glacier obtained by glaciological measurements.



**Figure S18:** Temporal evolution of accumulation-area-ratio (AAR), equilibrium line altitude (ELA), cumulative mass balance (cumMB) and specific mass balance (spMB) at Charquini Sur Glacier obtained by glaciological measurements.



**Figure S19:** Accumulation-area-ratio (AAR), equilibrium line altitude (ELA) and specific mass balance (spMB) at Zongo Glacier obtained by glaciological measurements plotted against the average ONI value of the observation periods (September-August). Solid lines: linear fits of the different variables



**Figure S20:** Accumulation-area-ratio (AAR), equilibrium line altitude (ELA) and specific mass balance (spMB) at Charquini Sur Glacier obtained by glaciological measurements plotted against the average ONI value of the observation periods (September-August). Solid lines: linear fits of the different variables

## Table S1: Overview of analyzed remote sensing data

a) Landsat data sets								
Satellite	Date	Sensor	ID	Path	Row			
Landsat 5	2000-07-29	тм	LT52330722000211XXX02	233	72			
Landsat 5	2000-08-05	тм	LT50010712000218AAA02	1	71			
Landsat 5	2000-08-05	тм	LT50010722000218AAA02	1	72			
Landsat 8	2013-08-18	OLI	LC82330722013230LGN01	233	72			
Landsat 8	2013-09-26	OLI	LC80010712013269LGN01	1	71			
Landsat 8	2013-09-26	OLI	LC80010722013269LGN01	1	72			
Landsat 8	2016-07-25	OLI	LC82330722016207LGN00	233	72			
Landsat 8	2016-08-01	OLI	LC80010712016214LGN00	1	71			
Landsat 8	2016-08-01	OLI	LC80010722016214LGN00	1	72			

b) TanDEM-X data sets								
Date	Pass dir.	Scenes	Rel. Orbit	Strip				
2013-01-05	D	2	111	85				
2013-01-16	D	2	111	75				
2013-01-21	D	1	20	55				
2013-02-14	А	2	58	55				
2013-02-25	А	3	58	45				
2013-03-06	D	2	20	45				
2013-03-08	A	3	58	35				
2013-03-17	D	2	20	25				
2013-03-19	A	2	58	25				
2016-09-13	D	1	20	10				
2016-09-15	A	2	58	10				
2016-09-24	D	1	20	20				
2016-09-26	A	1	58	30				
2016-09-30	D	1	111	90				
2016-10-07	А	1	58	40				
2016-10-16	D	1	20	50				
2016-11-13	D	1	111	80				

Pass direction: A – ascending, D - descending

## References

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