



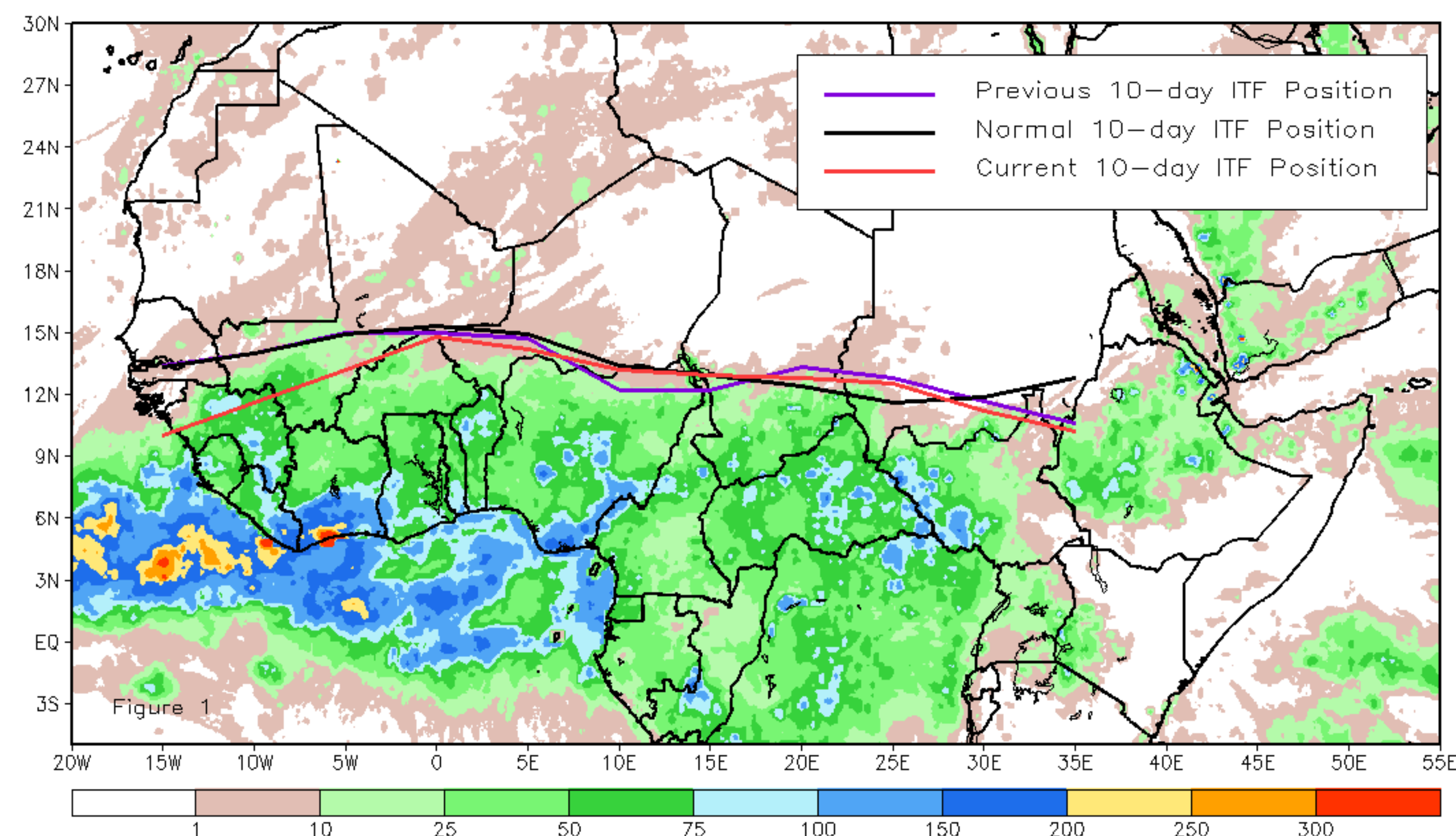
CPC Africa Desk InterTropical (ITF) Front Analysis

May 2023, Dekad 2

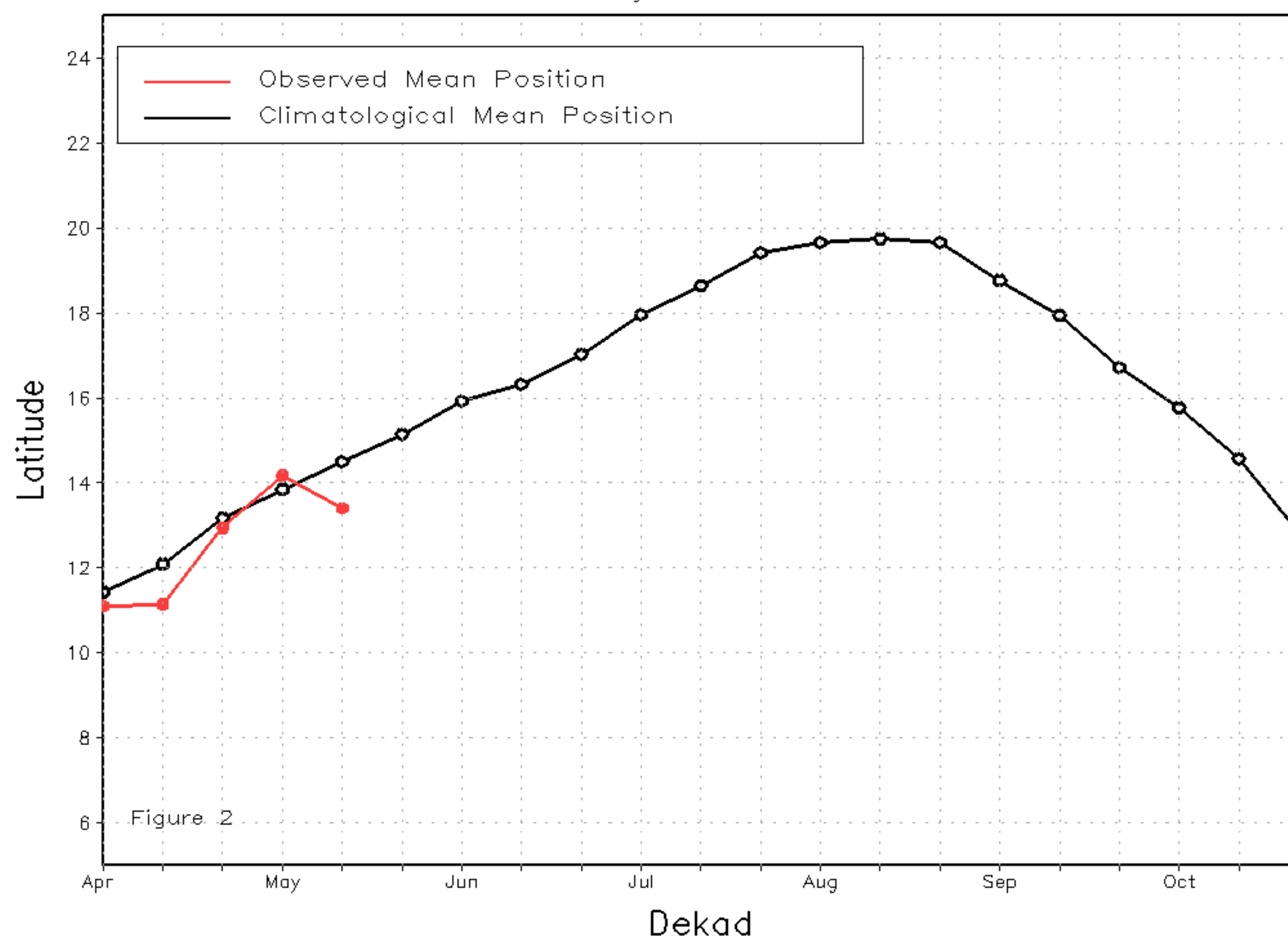
Discussion:

From 11-20 May, the ITF propagated farther south relative to its previous position, except along longitude 5E-15E. The western (10W-10E) portion of the ITF was located approximately at 13.4N, which was below the climatological position by 1.1 degree. Also, at the eastern (20E-35E) portion, the ITF was approximated at 11.7N, which was below the long-term average position by 0.5 degree. Figure 1 displays the current position of the ITF relative to the climatological position during the 2nd dekad of May and its previous position during the 1st dekad of May. Figures 2 and 3 are time series, illustrating the latitudinal positions for the western and eastern portions of the ITF, respectively, and their seasonal evolutions since the beginning of April 2023.

Current vs. Normal Dekadal ITF Position
and RFE Accumulated Precipitation (mm)
May 2023, Dekad 2



Mean Western Portion of the ITF: Averaged 10W to 10E
As of: May 2023, Dekad 2



Mean Eastern Portion of the ITF: Averaged 20E to 35E
As of: May 2023, Dekad 2

