Useful Dialogs for comparing station and satellite data

Importing data

- Importing station data: File > Open from File (choose your station data Excel, csv, txt etc.)
- Importing satellite data: File > Import and Tidy NetCDF file (Choose your nc file)
- If multiple stations:
 - First import a station metadata file with lon, lat & station columns
 - File > Import and Tidy NetCDF file (Choose your nc file with area)
 - Options > Choose "Points" > Select lon/lat/ID from station metadata file

Convert Columns

• Right Click column header > Convert to...

Dates

- Prepare > Column Date > Make Date (Specify Format)
- Prepare > Column Date > Use Date (to create year and month columns)

Data Checking

• Describe > One Variable > Summarise (choose all columns)

Merge

- Prepare > Reshape > Merge
 - o Choose station data frame first, satellite data frame second
 - Merge Options > "Choose which columns to merge by"
 - Date "Matched with" time_date click "Add Pair"
 - Return

Correlations

- Describe > Multivariate > Correlations
 - Choose "Multiple Columns" (enter station and satellite columns)
 - Options > Pairwise Plot or Scatter Matrix (by month)

Graphs

- Describe > Specific > Scatter Plot
 - Y and X: station and satellite columns
 - o Plot Options > Include Facets > By Month

Bias and Absolute deviation calculations

• Climatic > Prepare > Compare

Summarise

- Prepare > Column: Reshape > Column Summaries
 - o Variables to summarise: bias/abs_dev/station/satellite
 - o By Factors: Month
 - Summaries > Choose Mean/Standard Deviation etc.