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BSC's contribution to CAMS and associated activities

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Workshop on Copernicus climate change and atmosphere monitoring services

Contributions to CAMS

CAMS-50

Regional production

CAMS-81

Global & regional emissions

CAMS-43

Global aerosol aspects

CAMS-84

Global & regional a posteriori
validation

CAMS-95

AsSISt: Aircraft Support &
Maintenance Services

Associated Developments & Activities

Development of a
multiscale modeling and forecasting systems
MONARCH, SDS-WAS, CALIOPE, ICAP

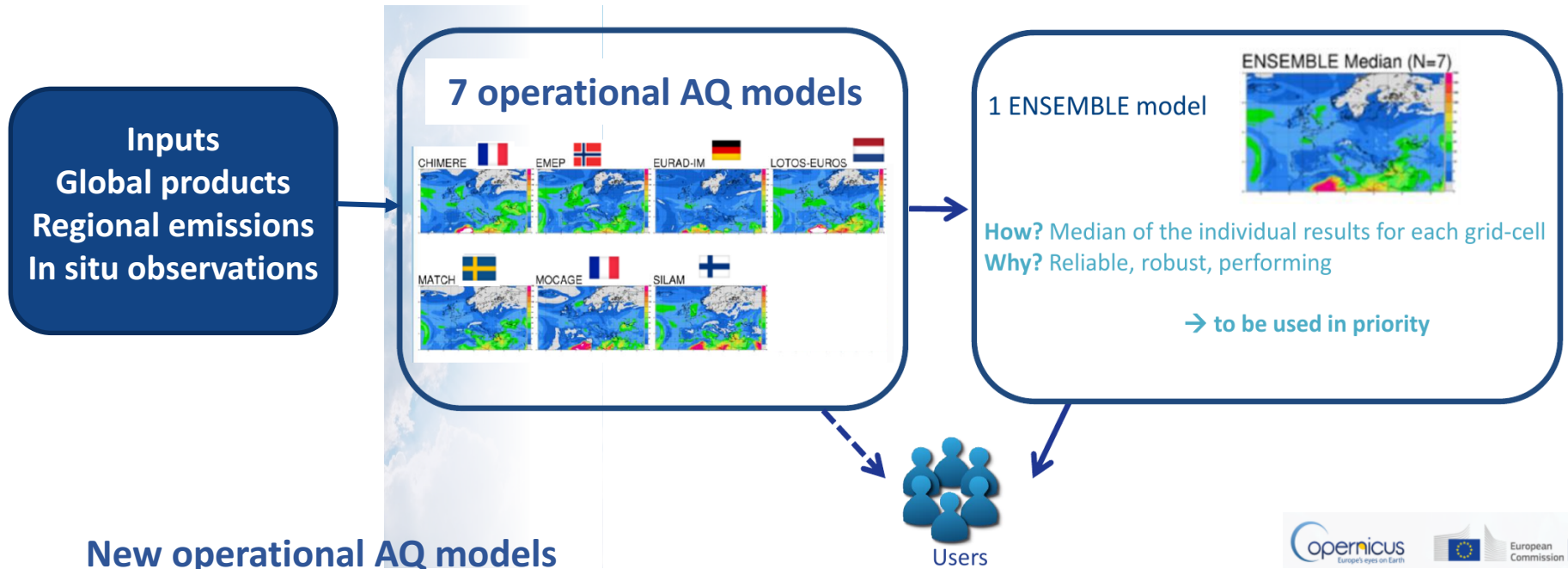
Development of top down and bottom up
emission inventories and models
HERMES

Model data assimilation
LETKF DA system



Model Evaluation
BSC model evaluation tool

Development of *user-oriented* services for a
variety of socio-economic sectors
InDust, DustClim, SOLWATT



CAMS-50 phase II: Regional production



New operational AQ models

DEHM (AARHUS University) 
GEM-AQ (IEP) 

New candidates AQ models

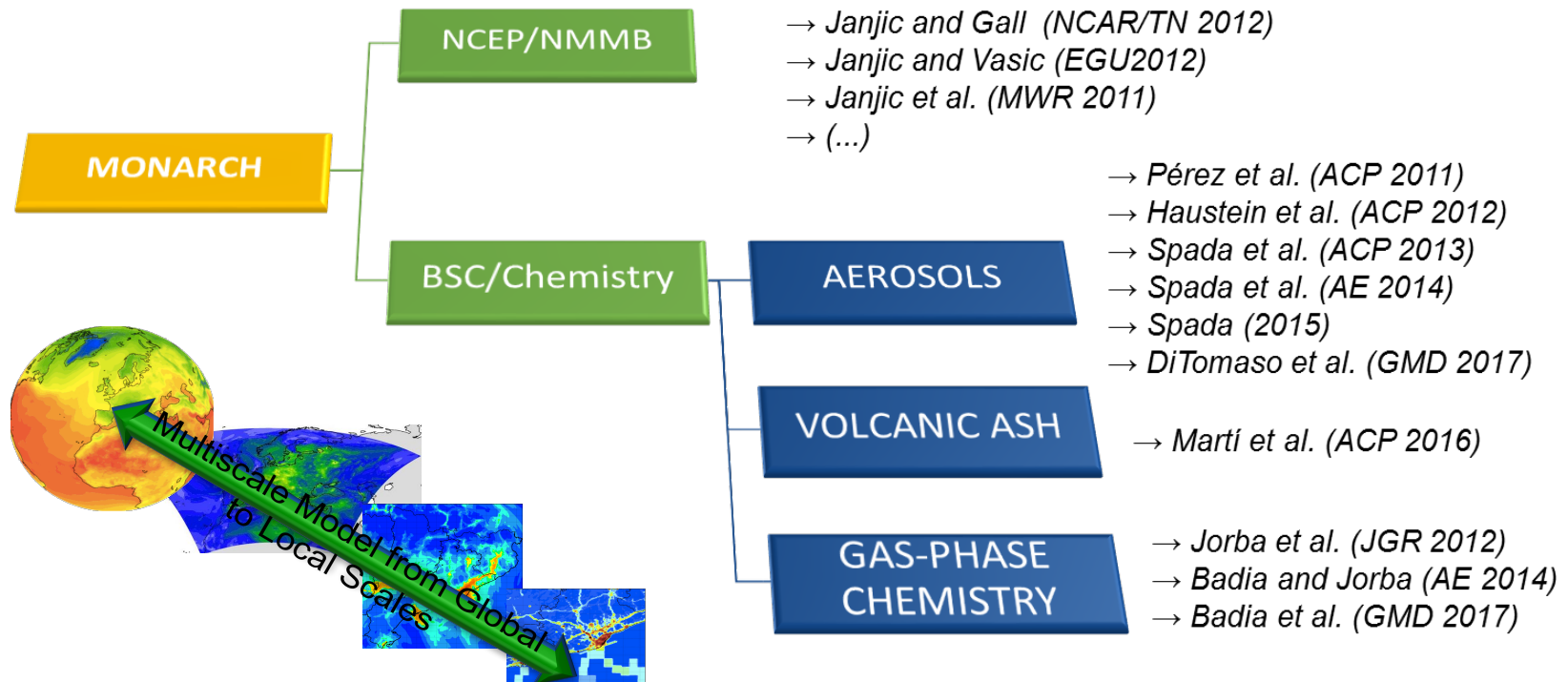
MINNI (ENEA) 
MONARCH (BSC) 

Products

- NRT Individual & Ensemble 4-Day Forecasts
- NRT Individual & Ensemble Analyses (DD-1)
- NRT Validation & Statistics products
- Reanalyses (2014-2017)

MONARCH: Multiscale Online Non-hydrostatic Atmosphere Chemistry model

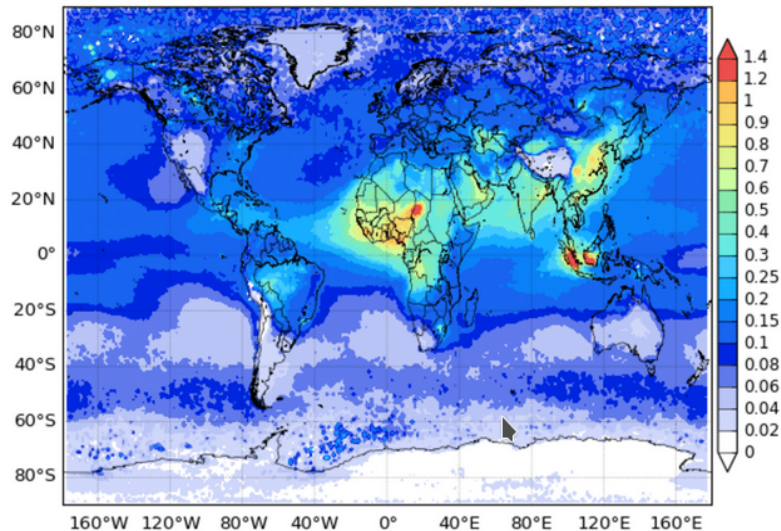
- **Multiscale**: global to regional (up to 1km) scales allowed
- Fully **on-line** coupling: weather-chemistry feedback processes allowed
- Enhancement with a **data assimilation** system and machine learning techniques



MONARCH forecasts

Global

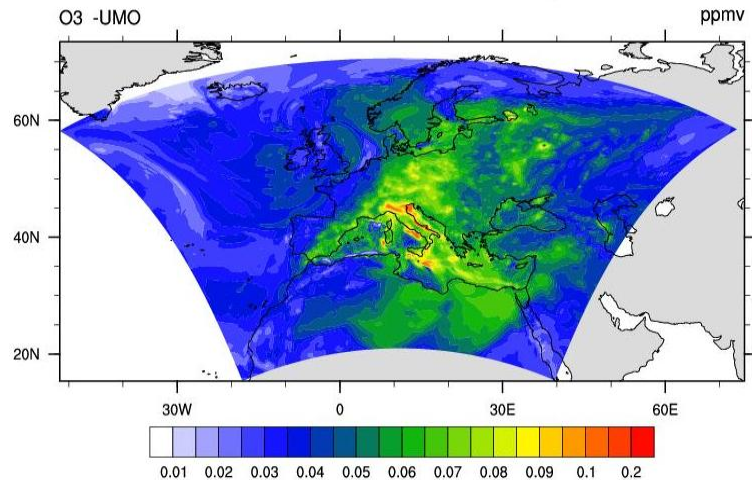
NMMB-MONARCH-b015 AOD550
2015



- ✓ *MONARCH contributes to the ICAP global forecast aerosol multi-model ensemble*
<http://icap.atmos.und.edu>

Regional

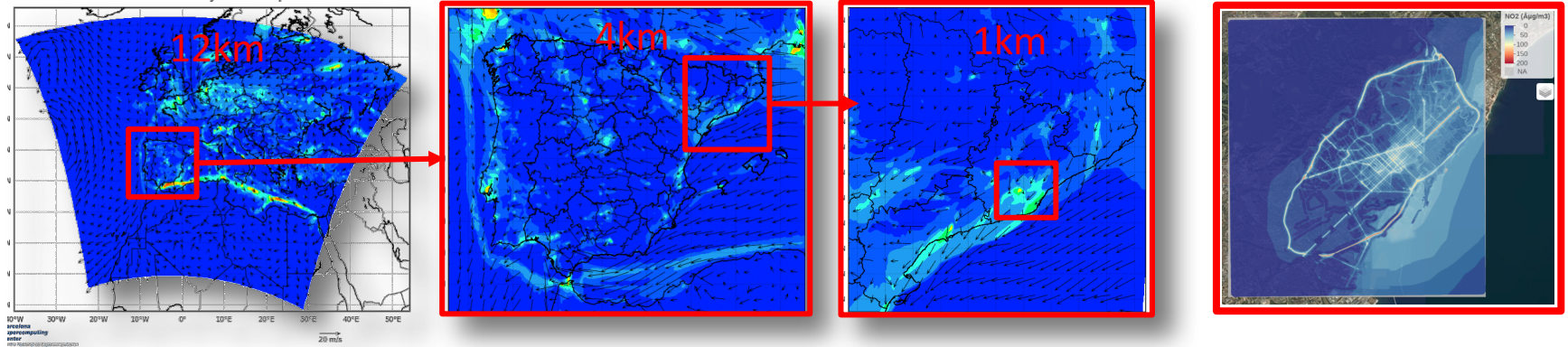
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- ✓ *Candidate model CAMS-50*
- ✓ *It will be implemented in*

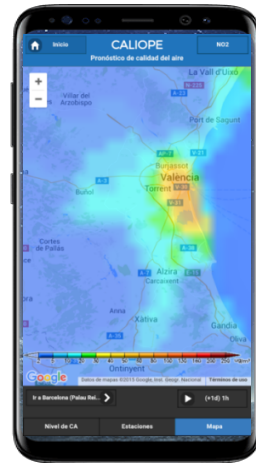
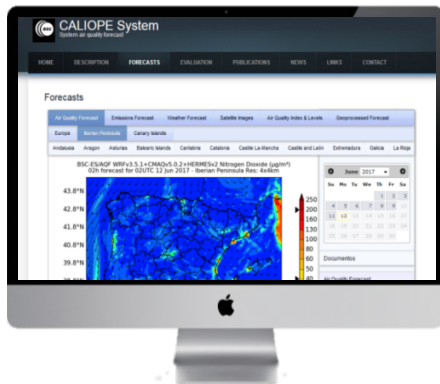
CALIOPE (www.bsc.es/caliope)
AQ Forecast System for **EU** and **Spain**

CALIdad del aire Operacional Para España (CALIOPE)

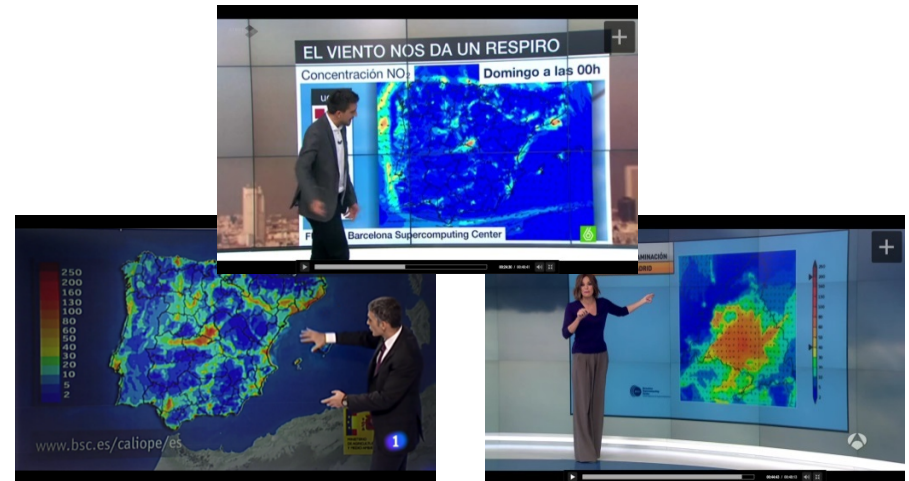


← Multiscale models from regional to local scales →

Web / App



In the media



Street Scale NO₂ modelling: Barcelona case



City morphology parameters:
building height, street width,
building density



Street scale NO_x emissions
from HERMESv3



Mesoscale – Street
Canyon model coupling:
NO₂ concentration

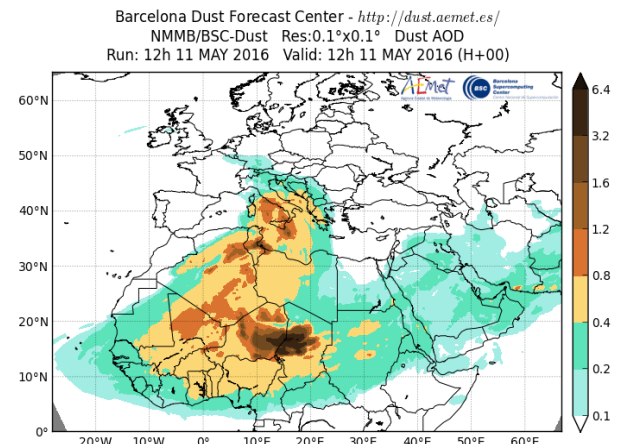
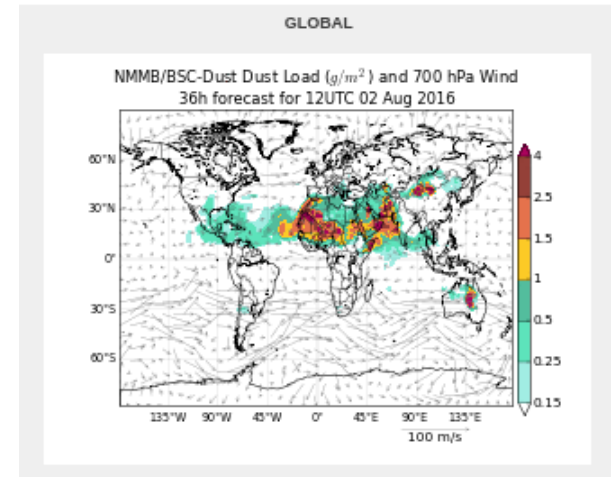
Mineral Dust Services at BSC

BSC dust operational forecast:

- Contribution to the SDS-WAS (regional) and ICAP (global) multi-model ensembles

WMO Dust Regional Centres:

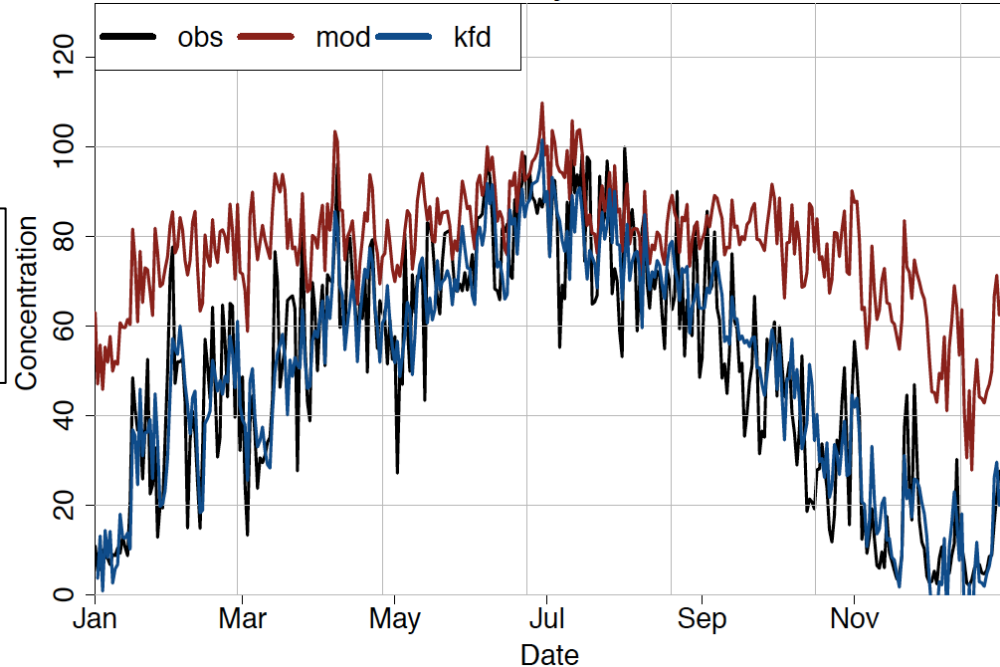
- **Barcelona Dust Forecast Centre.** First specialized WMO Centre for mineral dust prediction. Started in 2014 - **Operational**
 - <http://dust.aemet.es>
 - @Dust_Barcelona
- Sand and Dust Storms Warning Advisory and Assessment System (**SDS-WAS**). North Africa, Middle East and Europe Regional Center. Started in 2010 – **Research**
 - <http://sds-was.aemet.es>
- Both WMO Regional Centres are jointly managed by BSC and AEMET



Applying Machine learning in a forecast context

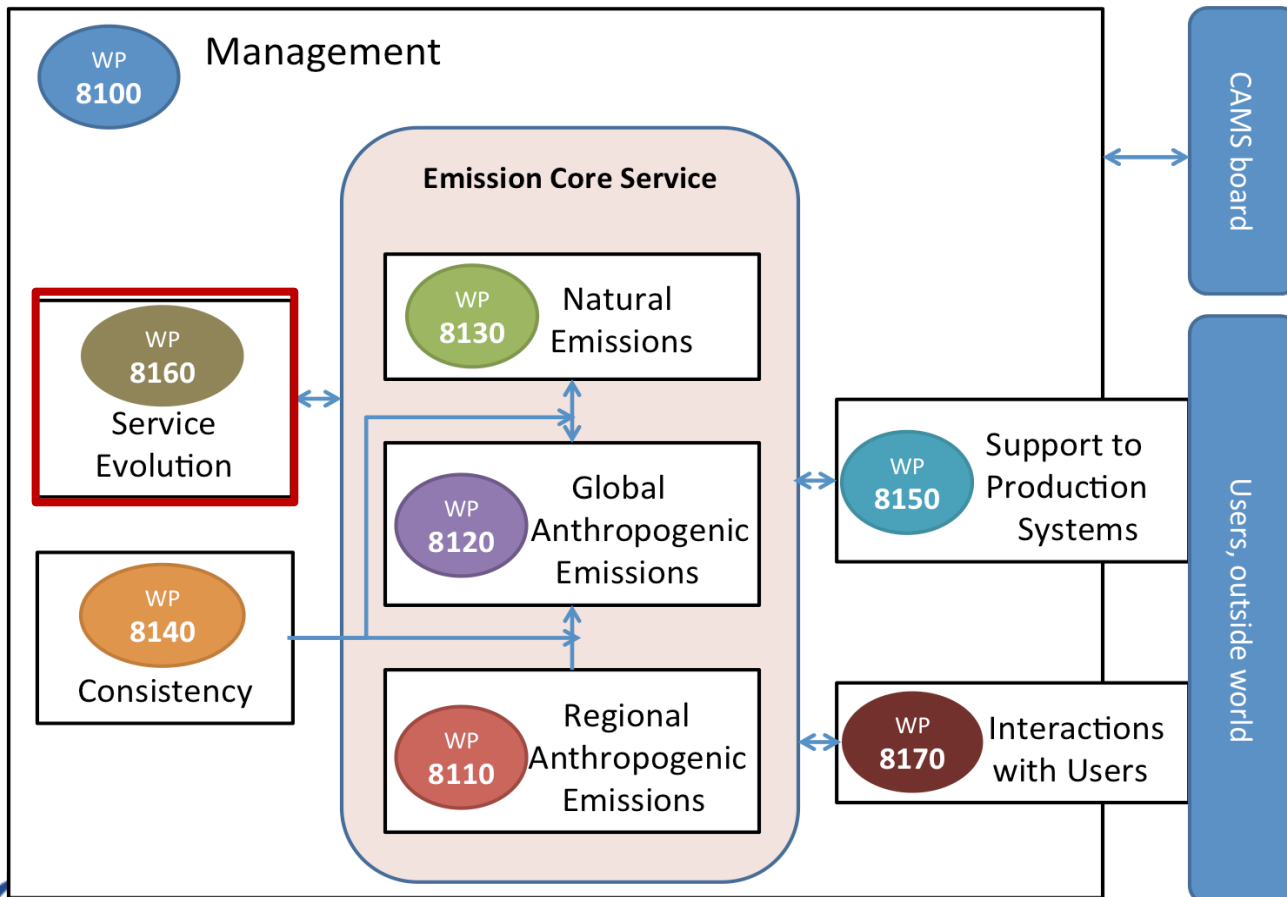
- Machine learning used to correct the MONARCH air quality forecasts based on previous observations and to better diagnose the forecast errors to improve the forecast system.
- Combination of random forests and neural networks to correct forecast biases using data from the previous weeks.
- Example for O3.

Observations
Model
Model after correction



CAMS-81: global and regional emissions

To provide **gridded distributions of annual anthropogenic (global and Europe) and natural emissions** and deliver **monthly, weekly and diurnal temporal profiles**.

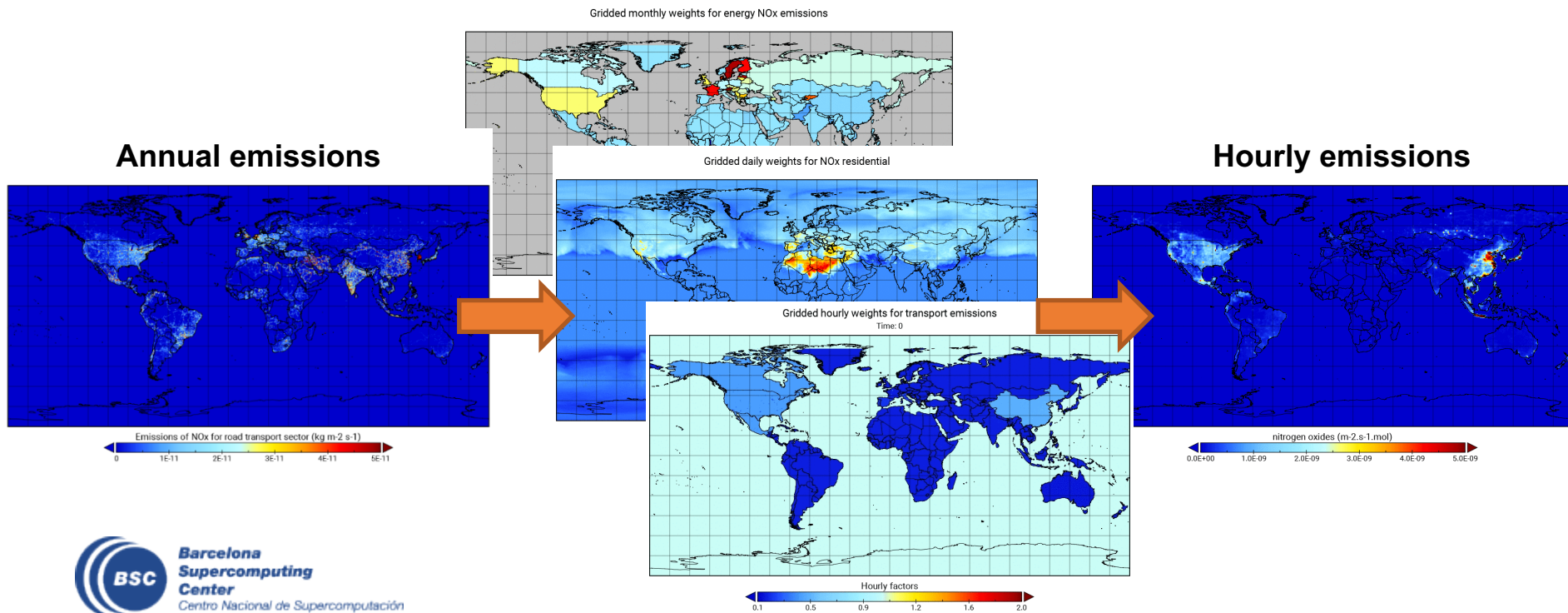


CAMS-81: new temporal profiles

Development of gridded temporal profiles that take into account differences across:

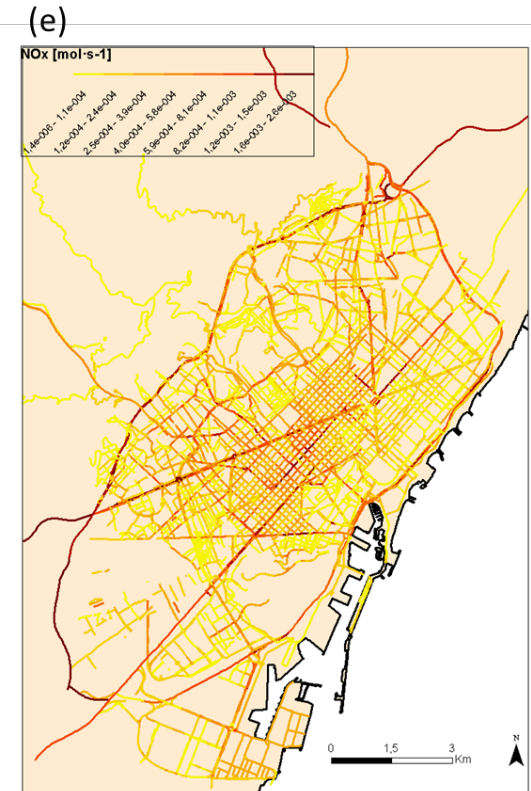
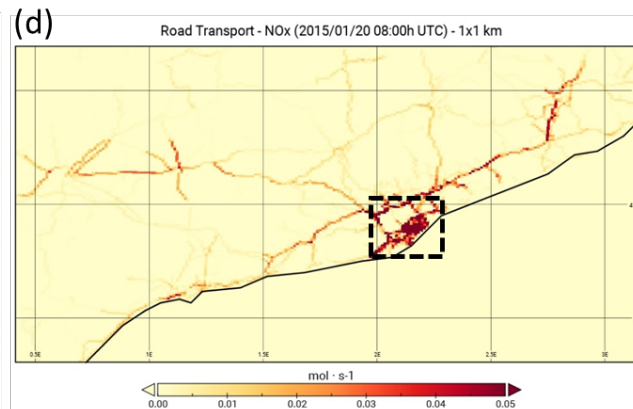
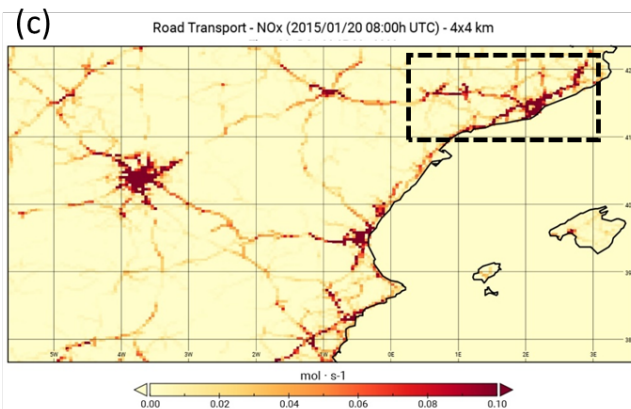
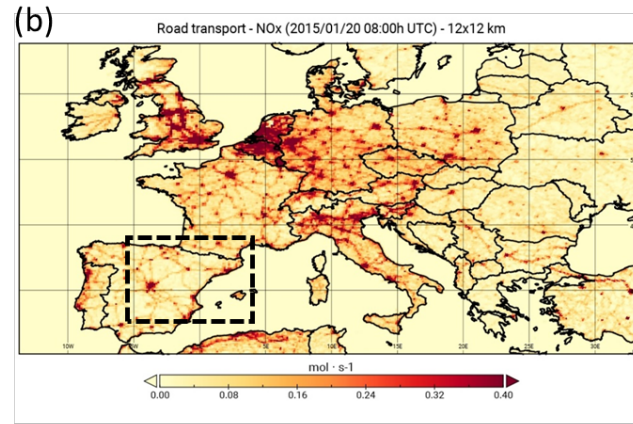
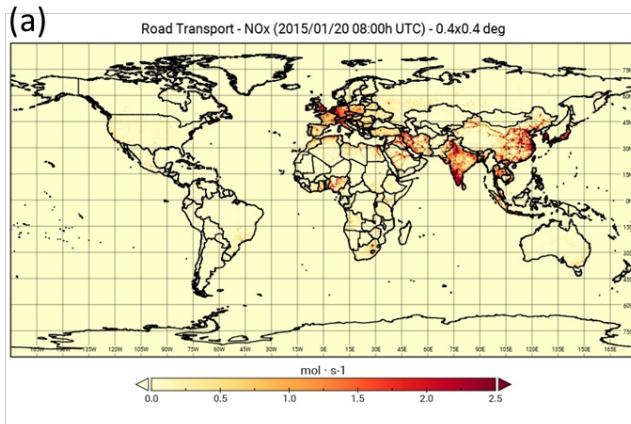
- Sources (energy and manufacturing industry, residential combustion, traffic and agriculture)
- Countries and regions (climatological and sociodemographic aspects)
- Pollutants (NO_x , CO , NMVOC, NH_3 , SO_x , PM_{10} , $\text{PM}_{2.5}$, CO_2 and CH_4)

Monthly, daily, weekly and hourly profiles



HERMESv3

A python-based, open source, parallel and multiscale emission modelling framework that **processes and estimates gas and aerosol emissions** for use in atmospheric chemistry models.



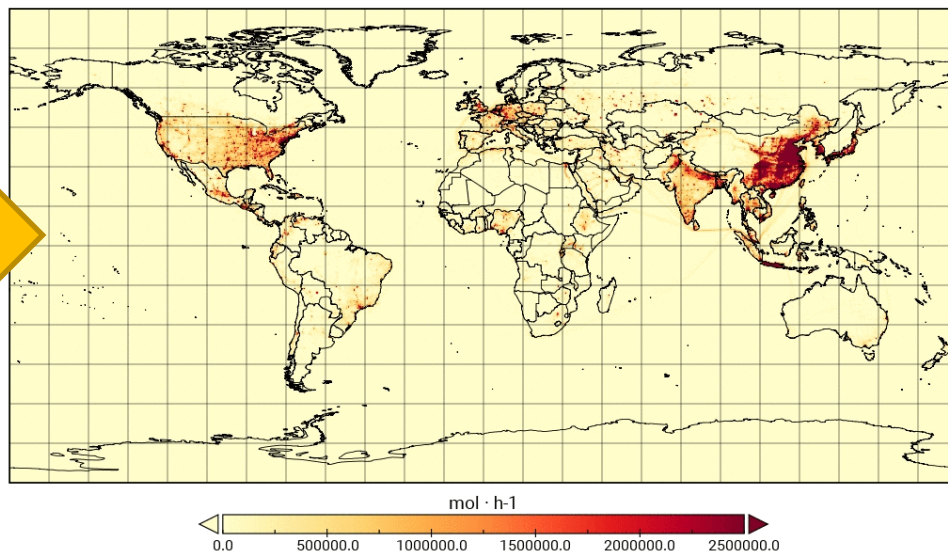
HERMESv3_GR: global-regional module

A **processing system** to calculate emissions through an automatic **combination of existing inventories** and user defined vertical, temporal and speciation profiles

Emission data library



HERMESv3_GR output



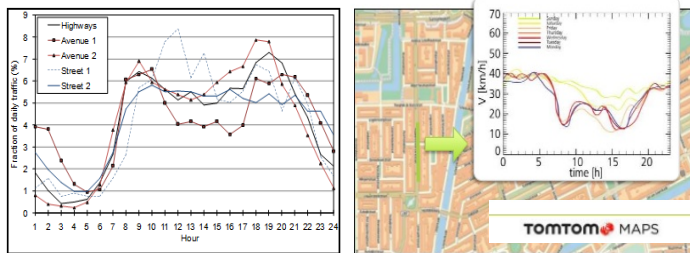
- Combination of multiple up-to-date gridded emission inventories
- User defined destination working domain (conservative remapping)
- Application of country-specific scaling and masking factors
- Specific monthly, weekly and diurnal profiles per sector and pollutant
- Speciation profiles for multiple chemical mechanisms
- Available at the BSC git repository: https://earth.bsc.es/gitlab/es/hermesv3_gr

Guevara et al., 2019

HERMESv3_BU: bottom-up module

An **emission model** to estimate emissions at the **source level** combining state-of-the-art **bottom-up methods** with local activity and emission factors

Traffic flow data (vehicle counts and speed)



Vehicle fleet composition (traffic cameras)



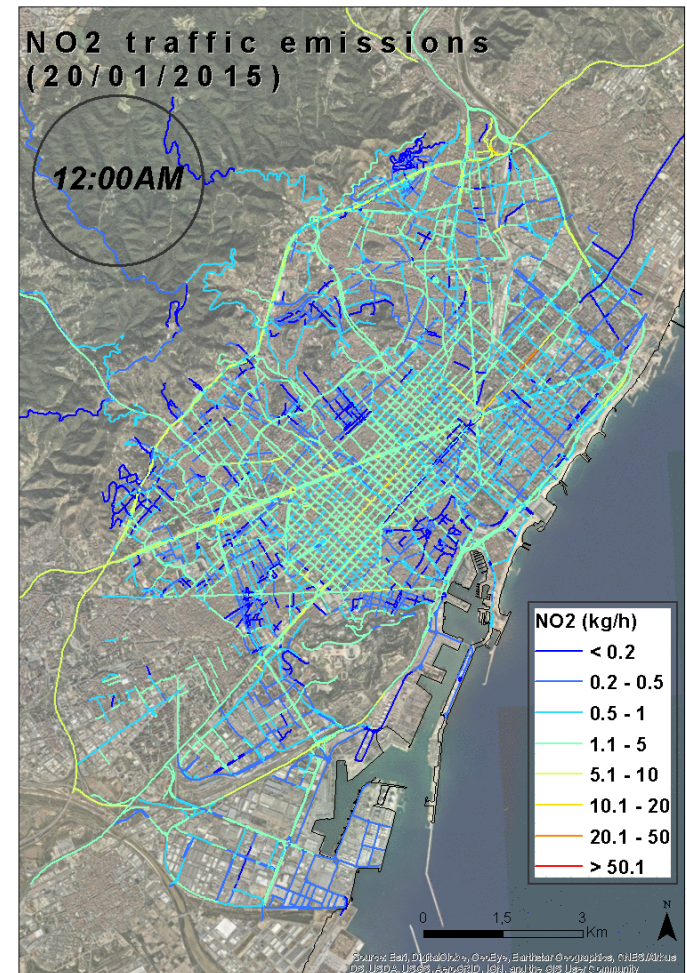
Emission factors (speed dependent)



+ resuspension
(Amato et al., 2012)

Meteorological parameters

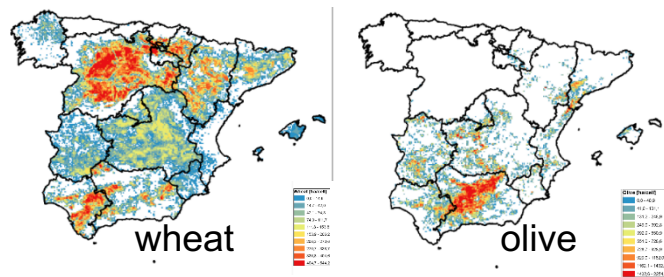
Temperature to account for variation in evaporative/cold-start emissions



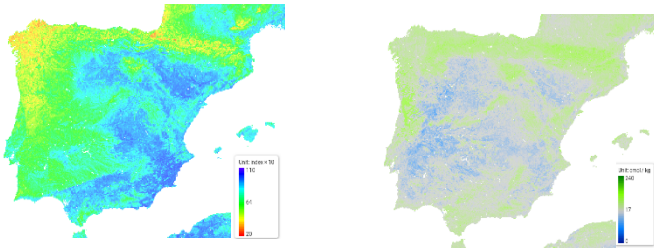
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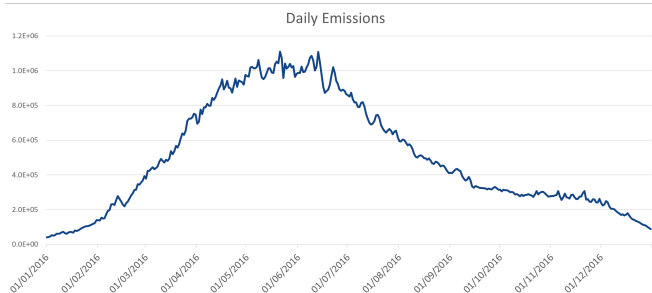
Crop-specific spatial distributions



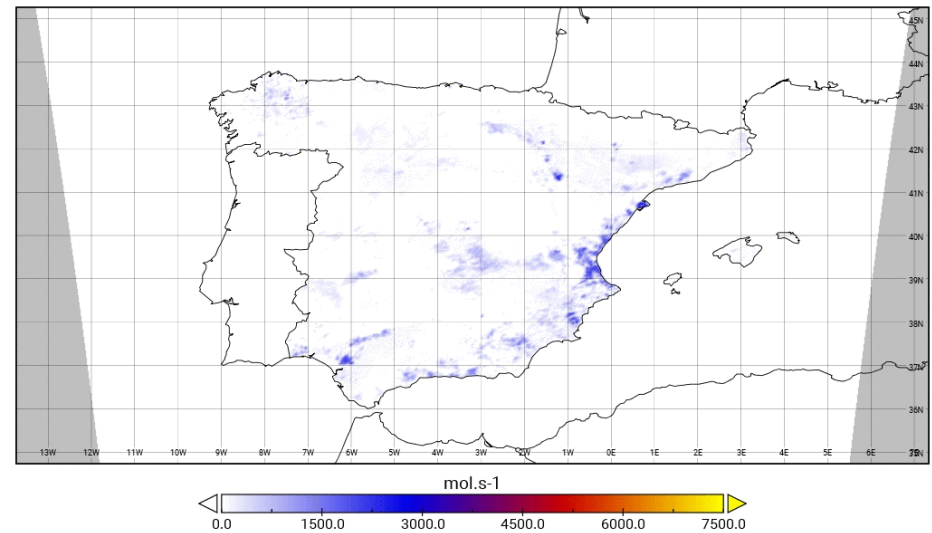
Soil properties (PH, cation exchange capacity)



Crop-specific calendars and meteorology



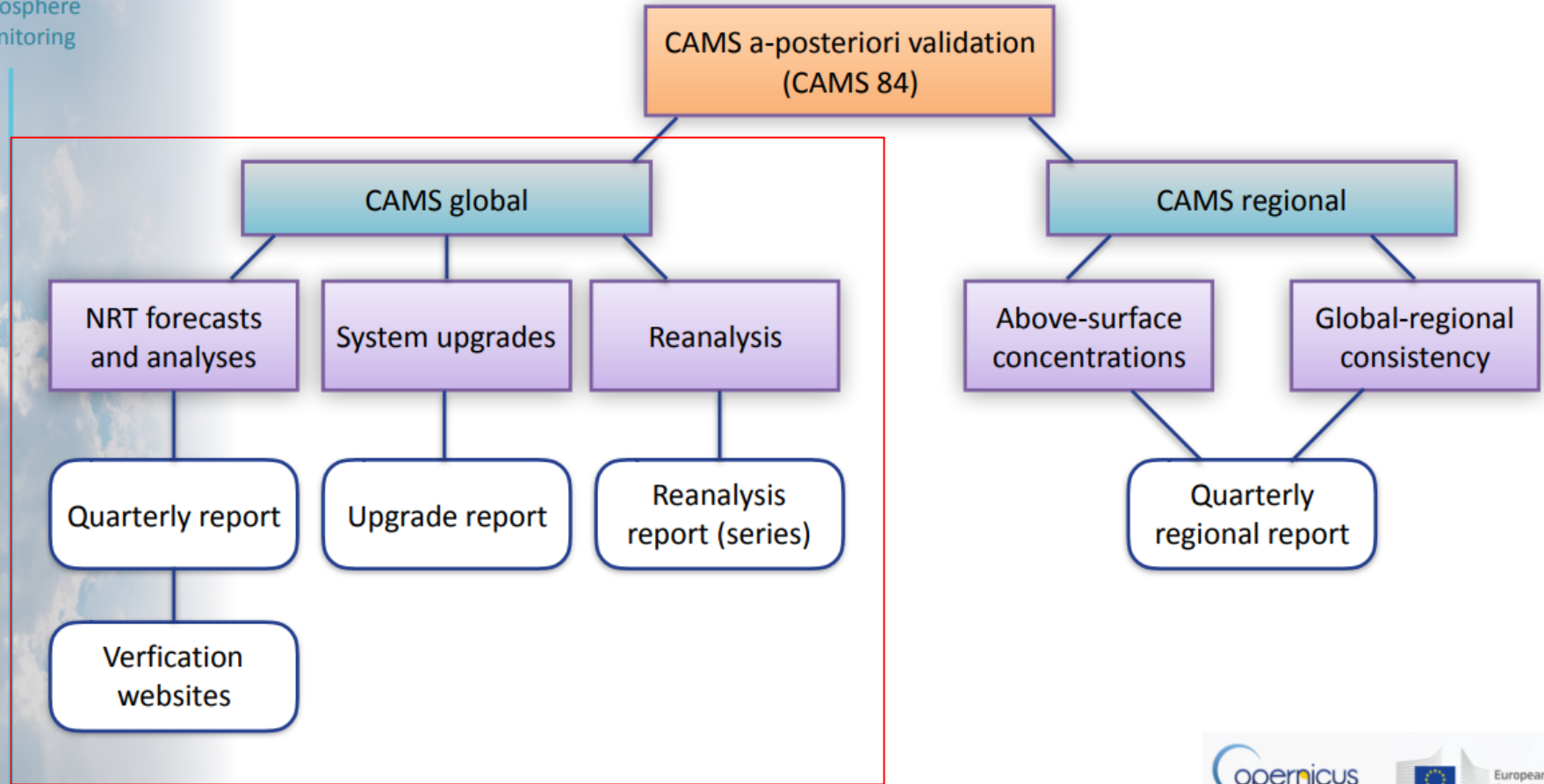
Fertilizer NH₃ daily emissions (Spain, 4x4km)



CAMS-84: Global and regional a posteriori validation



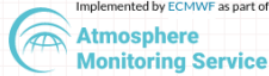
CAMS a-posteriori validation activities



BSC's contribution focuses on the aerosols evaluation and particularly on the dust component

CAMS-84: Global and regional a posteriori validation

<https://atmosphere.copernicus.eu/global-services>



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BSC also maintains the NRT of the global dust model through the WMO SDS-WAS

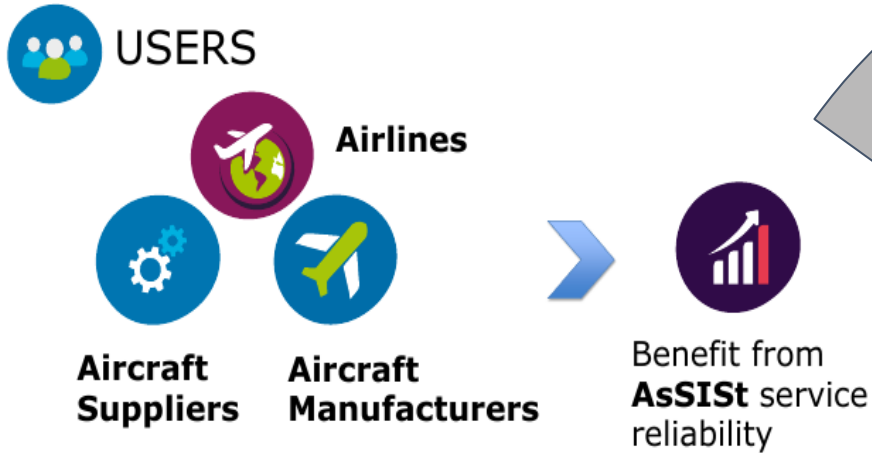
[WMO Sand and Dust Storm Warning Advisory and Assessment System](#)

The [CAMS aerosol forecasts](#) contribute to the WMO Sand and Dust Storm Warning Advisory and Assessment System (SDS-WAS). The forecasts are verified with [near-real time AERONET](#) data. Evaluation metrics are available on a [monthly](#) and [seasonal](#) basis. A near-real time [model comparison](#) of contributing dust models is available.



CAMS-95 AsSISt

Aircraft Support & Maintenance Services



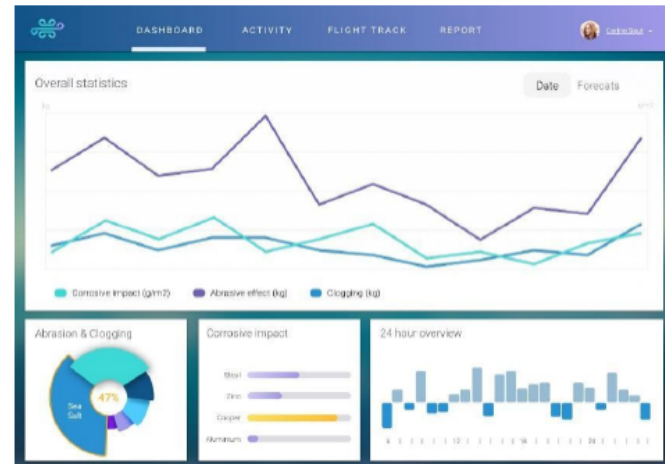
CAMS DATA BSC

At parking position:

- Relative humidity and temperature
- SO2 Concentration
- Cl- deposit rate

En-route:

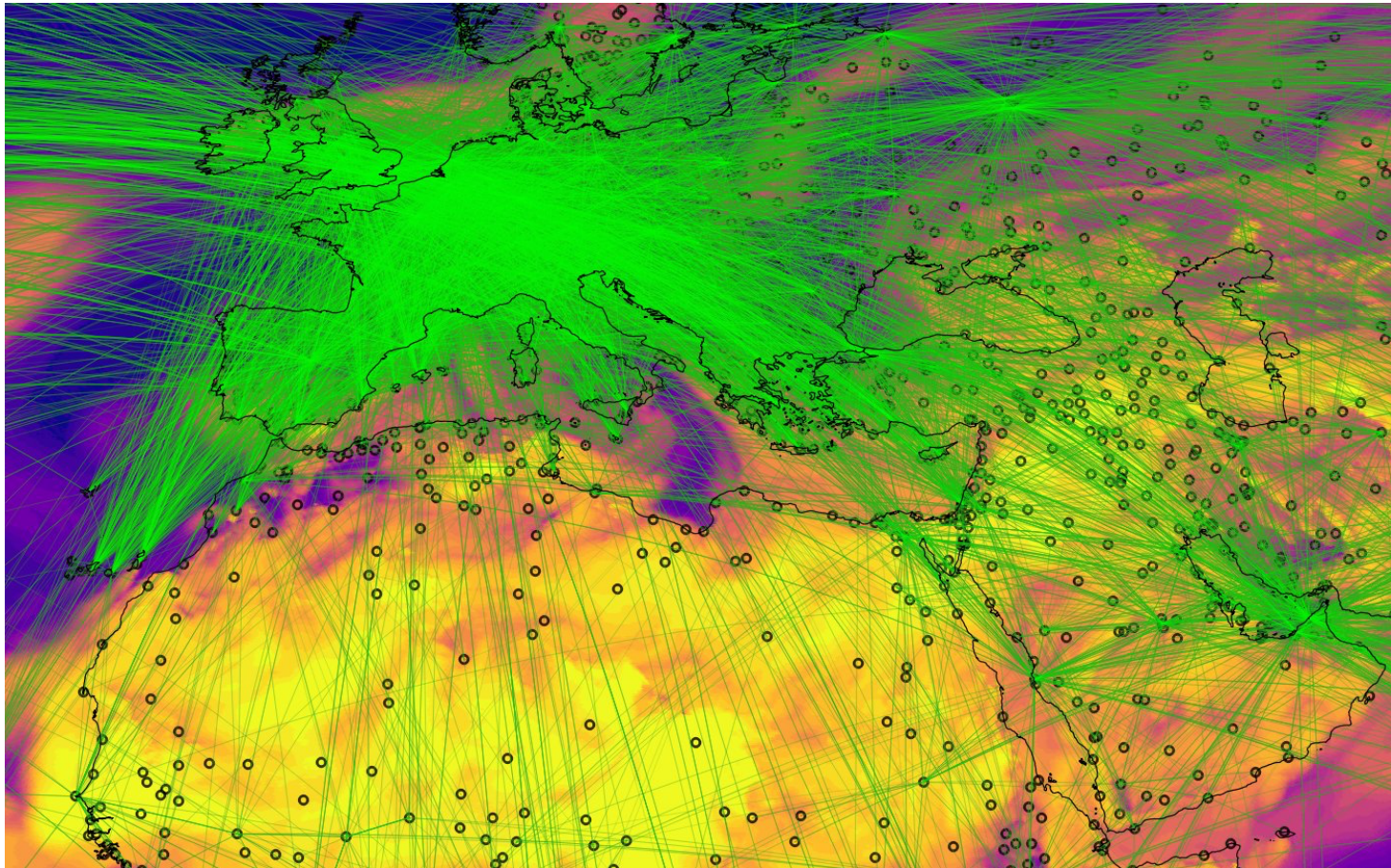
- Black carbon
- Sea salt
- Mineral dust
- Sulfates
- Organic biogenic



Evolution of indicators over time

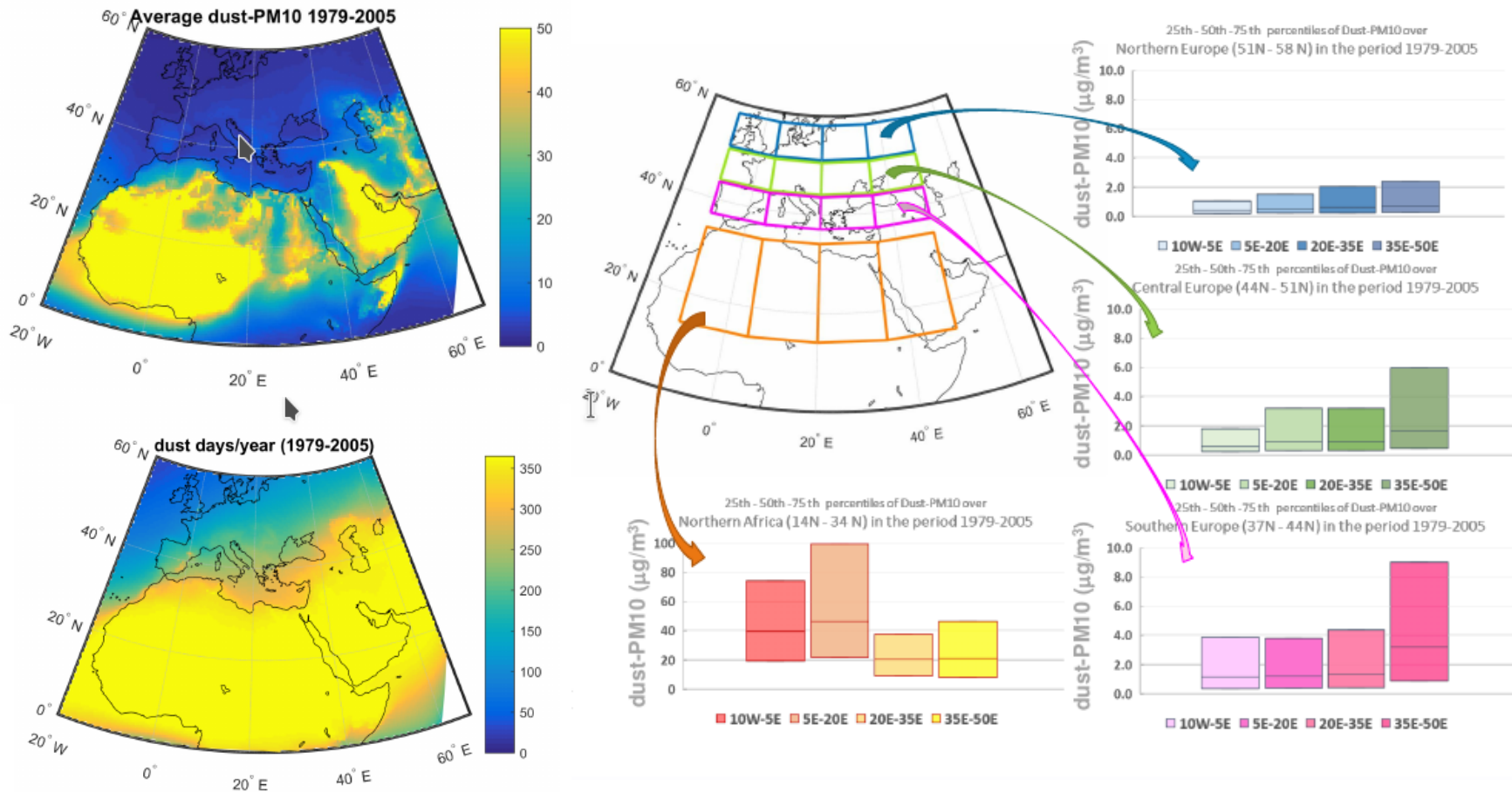
Types of particles
Indicators by aircraft component

AVIATION: Dust MONARCH model outputs (colour scale) vs airport and flight routes



(Courtesy A. Votsis, FMI)

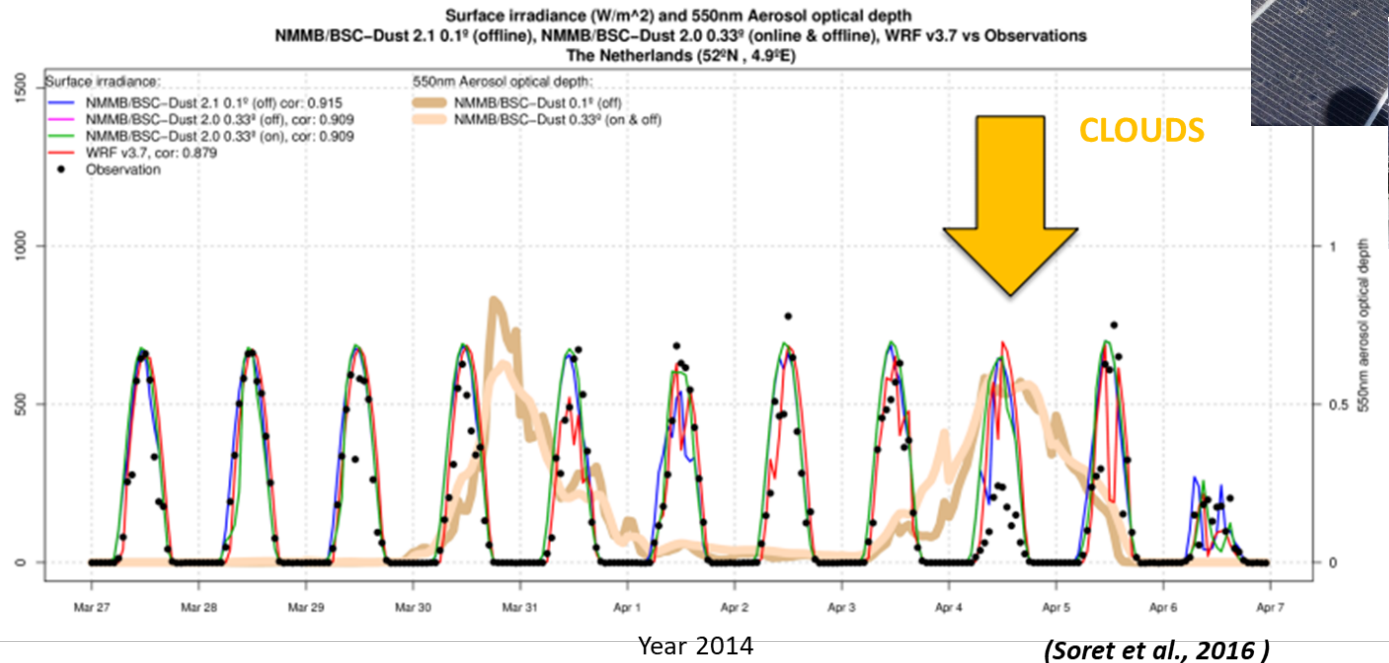
AIR QUALITY: Design of AQ Early warning systems – First tests based on NMMB-MONARCH simulations



Number of days that exceed the EU limit of PM10 (i.e 50 µg/m3)

(Courtesy F. Barnaba, CNR-ISAC)

- **Soiling** → panels efficiency and water management
- **Solar irradiance** → the presence of dust reduces the incoming **solar irradiance** through direct radiative effect



International Network to Encourage the Use of Monitoring and Forecasting Dust Products

inDust

COST Action CA16202

Chair: Sara Basart (Spain, sara.Basart@bsc.es)

Vice-Chair: Slobodan Nickovic (Serbia)

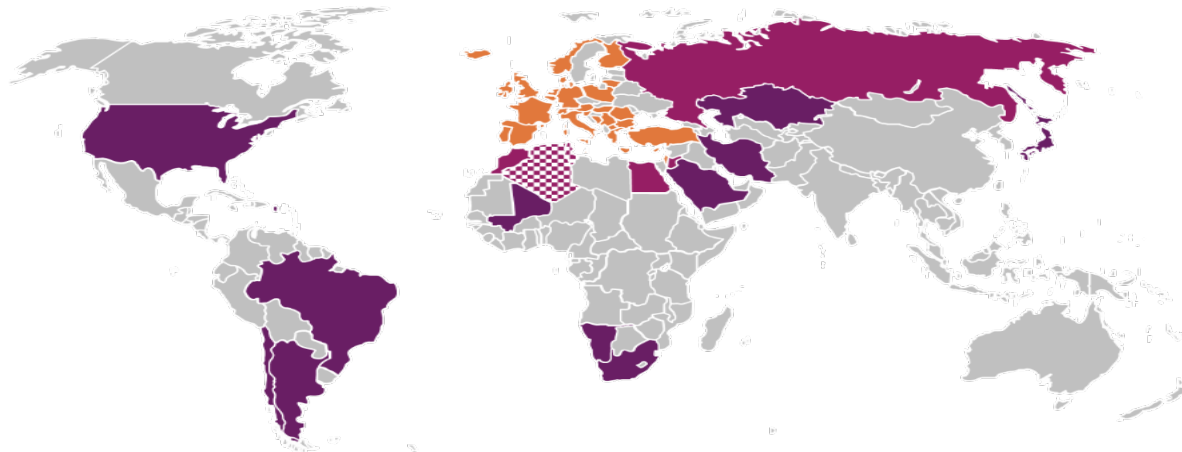
www.cost-indust.eu

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Our goals

- To **establish a network** involving research institutions, service providers and potential end users of information on airborne dust.
- To **coordinate** and **harmonise** the process of transferring dust observations and predictions to users (including researchers and stakeholders).
- To **assist** the diverse socio-economic sectors affected by the presence of high concentrations of airborne mineral dust.



- COST countries (in total 29)
- Near-Neighbour Countries (Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Russia, *Algeria*)
- International Partner Countries
International organisation (WMO, *ECMWF*)

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