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WP4 LOCAL AND REGIONAL MODELLING AND DATA ASSIMILATION

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WP4 - A large team effort



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Overview WP4

Local scale – Point sources and Cities

T4.1 Local scale model performance assessment and improvement

EMPA, WU, CEA, VUA, MPG, FMI, TNO, DWD, ENPC, ECMWF

T4.2 Local inversion approaches for efficient processing of plume images with a large spatial and temporal coverage

FMI, CEA, EMPA

T4.3 Local inversion approaches using atmospheric transport models

ENPC, CEA, iLab, WU, UEDIN, FMI, VUA, AGH

National scale

T4.4 National scale inversions

DLR, UEDIN, TNO, DWD, EMPA, CEA, ENPC, VUA, FMI, ULUND, ECMWF, AGH

T4.5 Guidance and synthesis between the local and regional scale estimates

CEA + all

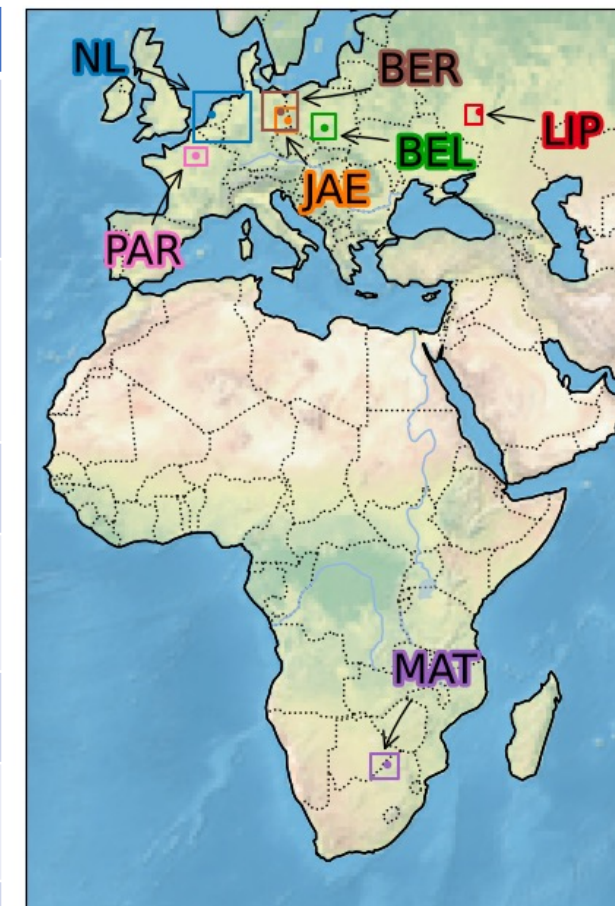


Task 4.1. Local scale models: performance assessment & improvement

D4.2: Assessment of plume model performance, due Dec 2022

Overview of plume simulations

ID	Description	Time period	Available observations	Modeled with
BEL	Power plant Bełchatów, Poland	6-7 Jun 2018	In-situ observations (CO ₂) and remotely sensed observations (XCO ₂) from three aircraft; TROPOMI NO ₂	COSMO-GHG, ICON-ART, LOTOS-EUROS, MicroHH
JAE	Power plant Jänschwalde, Germany	22-23 May 2018	In-situ observations (CO ₂) and remotely sensed observations (XCO ₂) from two aircraft; TROPOMI NO ₂	COSMO-GHG, ICON-ART, LOTOS-EUROS, MicroHH
LIP	Steel plant Lipetsk, Russia	12-13 Jun 2019	TROPOMI CO	COSMO-GHG, MicroHH
MAT	Power plant Matimba, South Africa	24-25 Jul 2020	TROPOMI NO ₂	COSMO-GHG, MicroHH
BER	Berlin urban area, Germany	18-27 Jul 2018	In-situ observations (CO ₂) from one aircraft; TROPOMI NO ₂ .	COSMO-GHG, LOTOS-EUROS
PAR	Paris urban area, France	1-8 Aug 2018	Seven high-precision stationary CO ₂ measuring stations; TROPOMI NO ₂	COSMO-GHG, WRF-CHEM
NL	Randstad area Netherlands	16-23 Jun 2018 16-23 Dec 2018	One high-precision stationary CO ₂ measuring station; 43 stationary NO ₂ measuring stations; TROPOMI NO ₂	LOTOS-EUROS

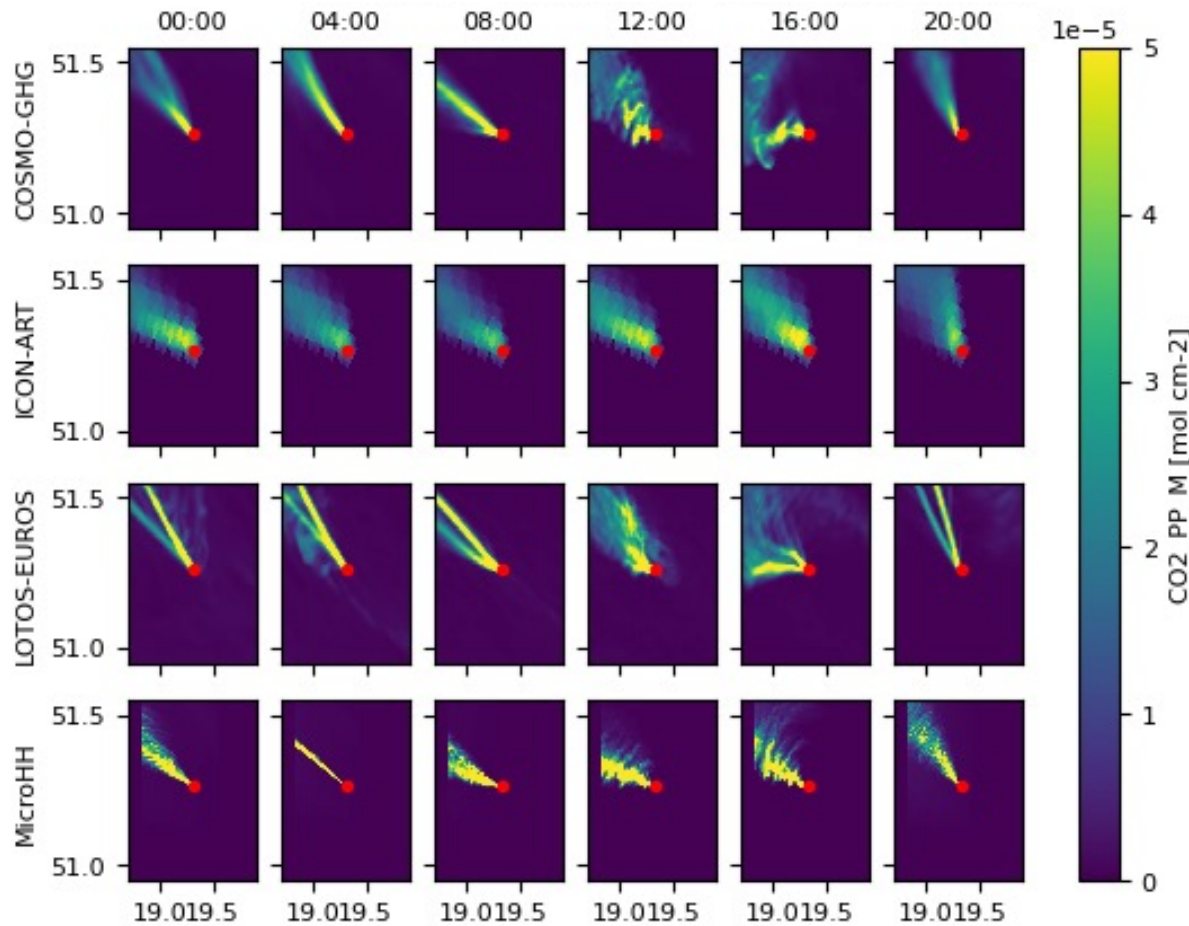




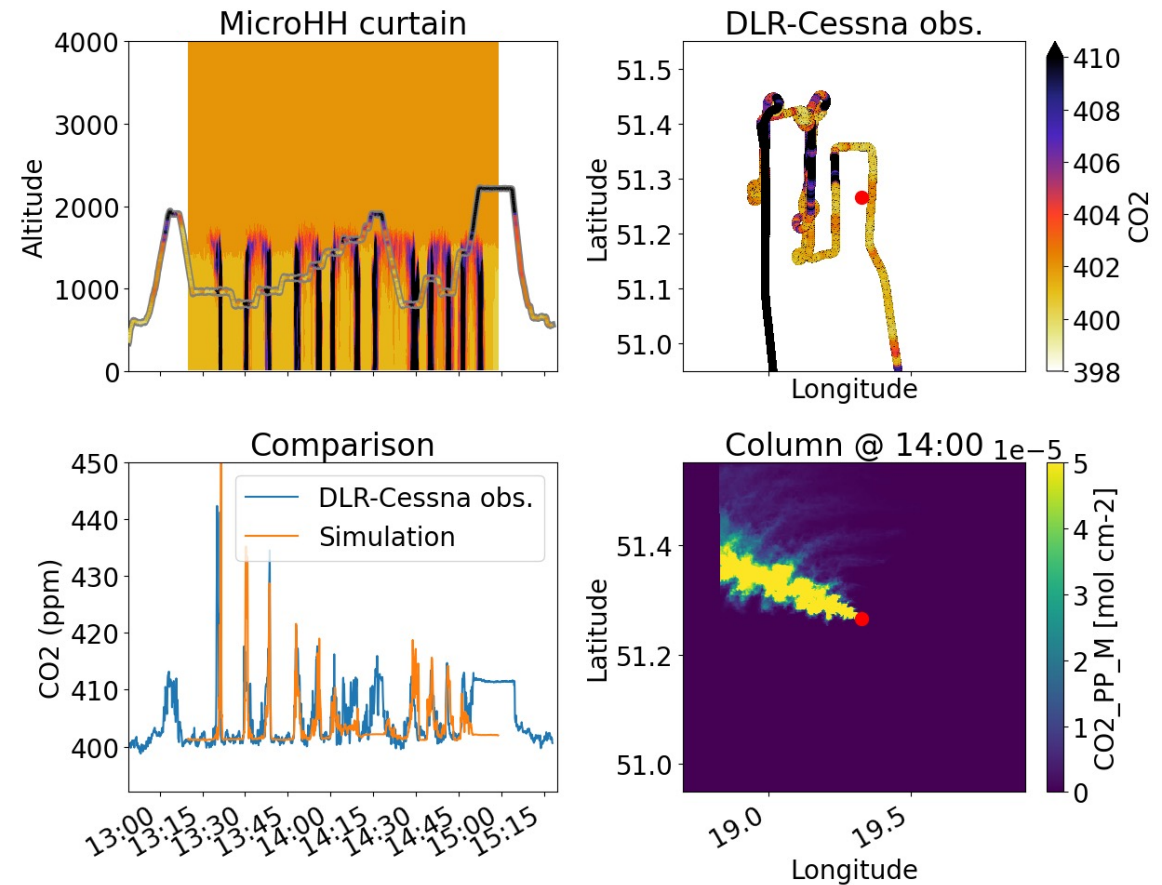
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Example 1: Power plant Belchatow, Poland, 7 Jun 2018

Column XCO₂ at different day times



Comparison with aircraft in-situ CO₂
(COMET campaign, courtesy DLR)

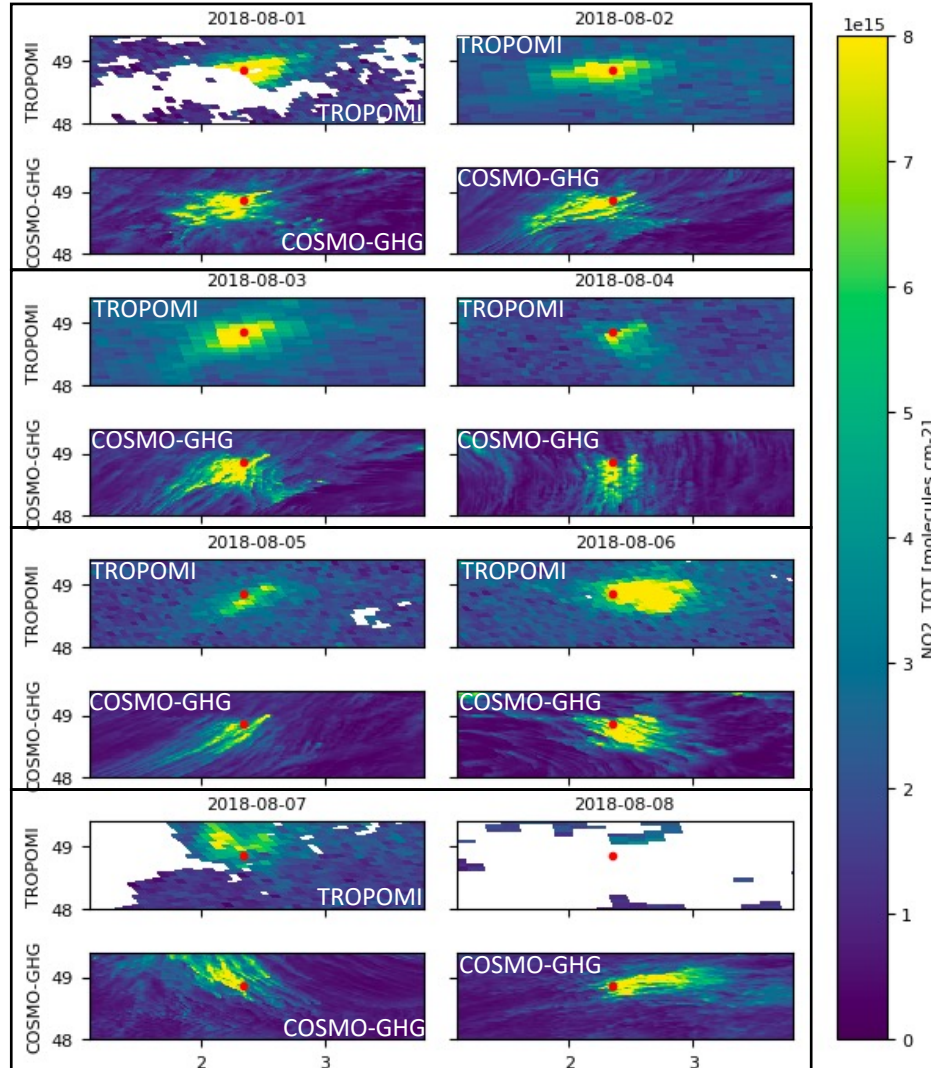




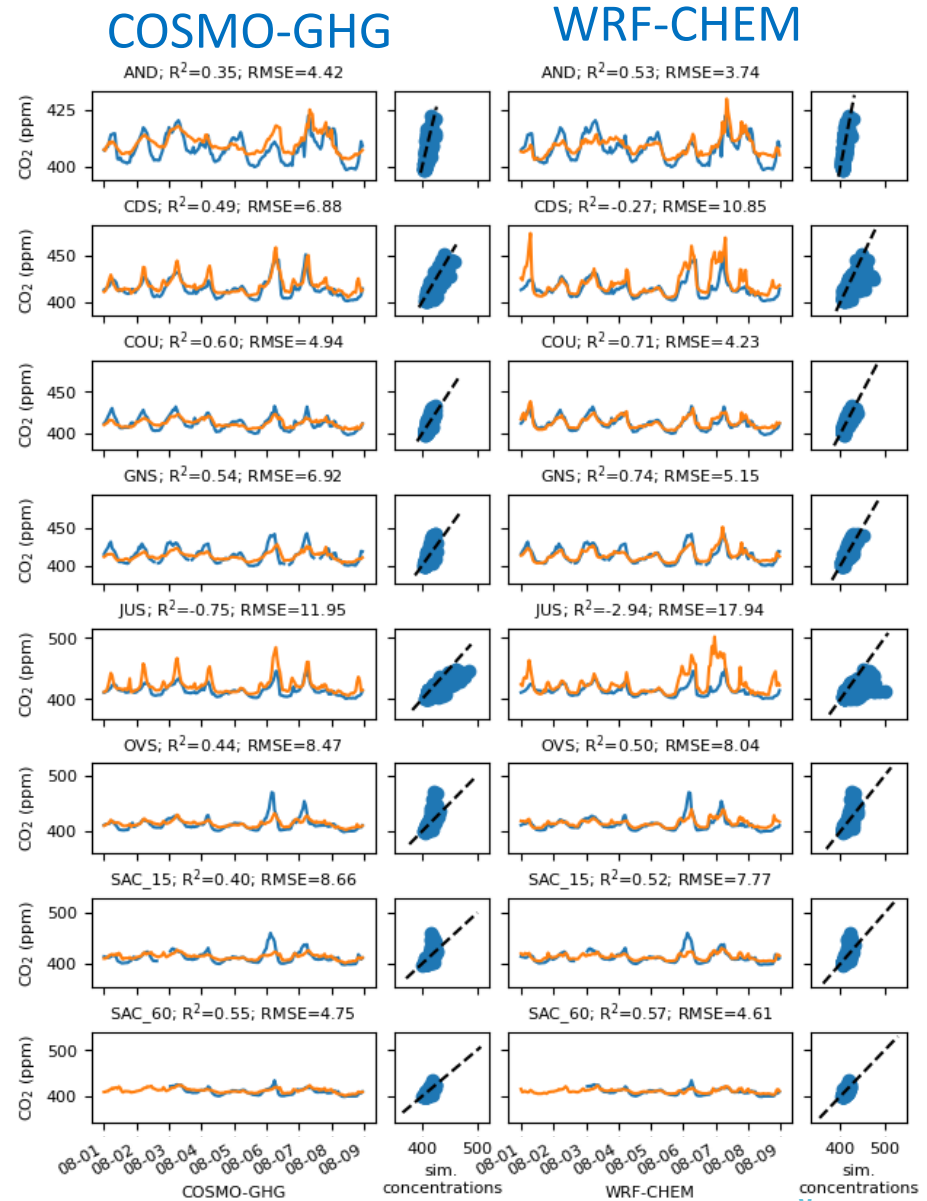
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Example 2: City of Paris, 1-10 Aug 2018

TROPOMI
NO₂
1-8 Aug



tower
in-situ
CO₂
1-9 Aug

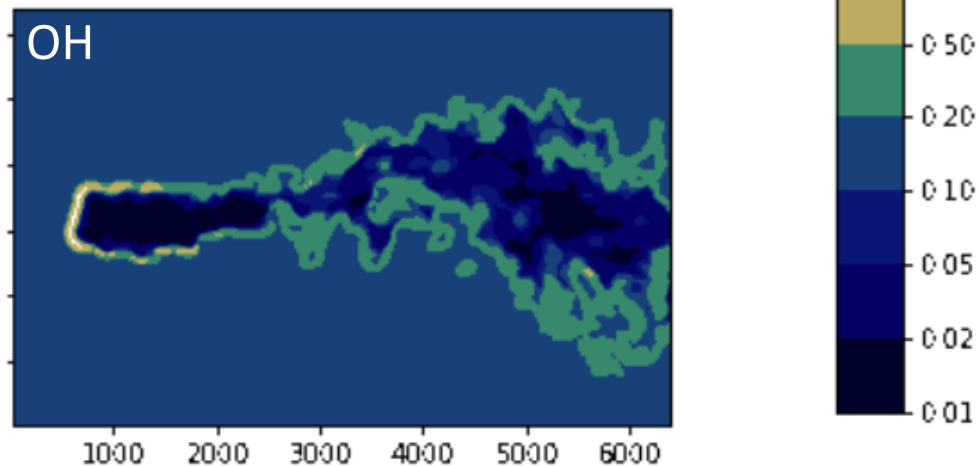
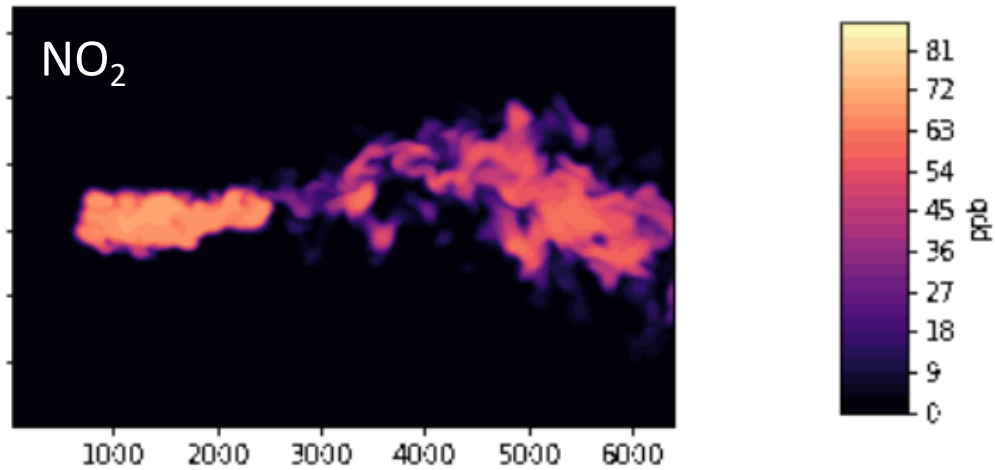




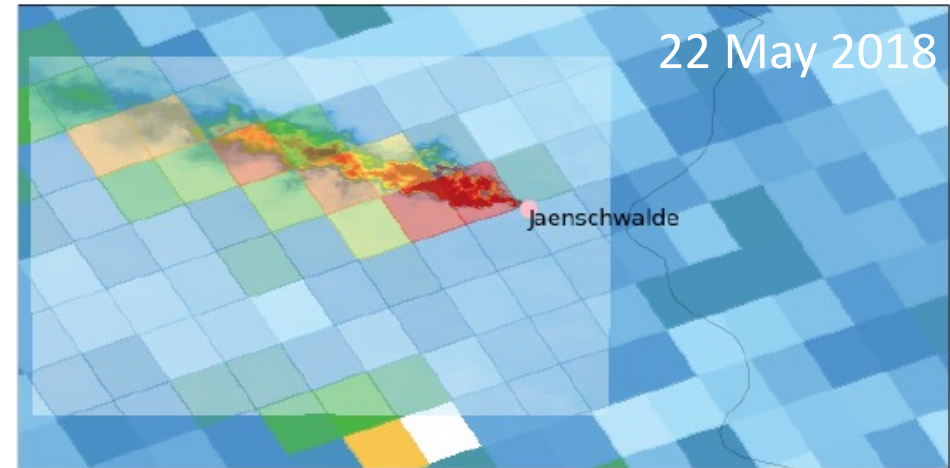
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Simplified chemistry simulations with MicroHH (M. Krol, WUR)

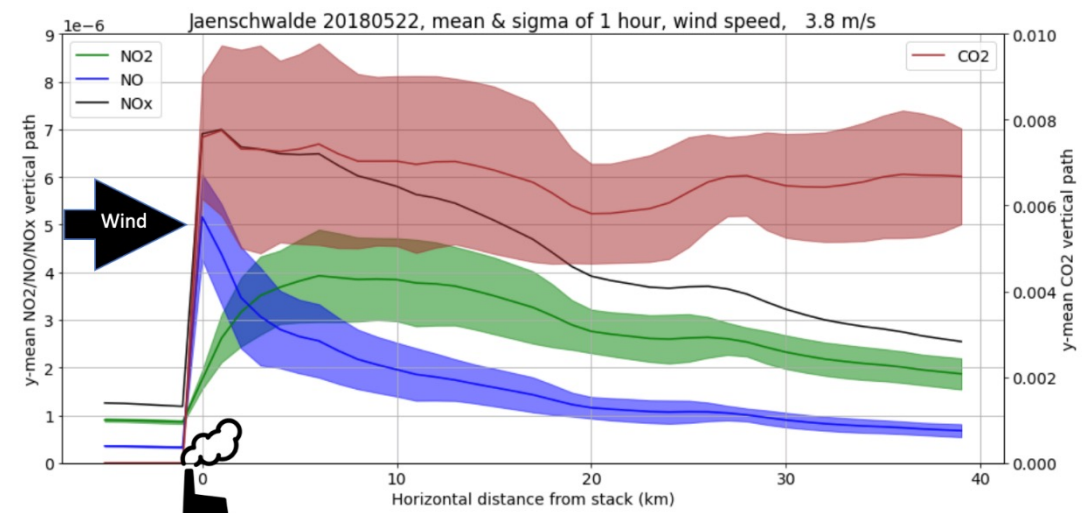
Snapshot of simulation at 25 m resolution



Comparison with TROPOMI



NO, NO₂, NO_x and CO₂ along plume

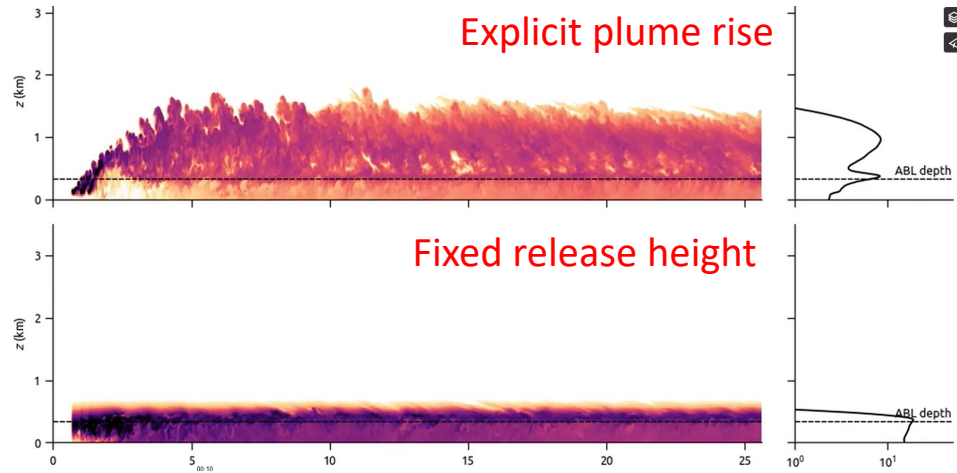




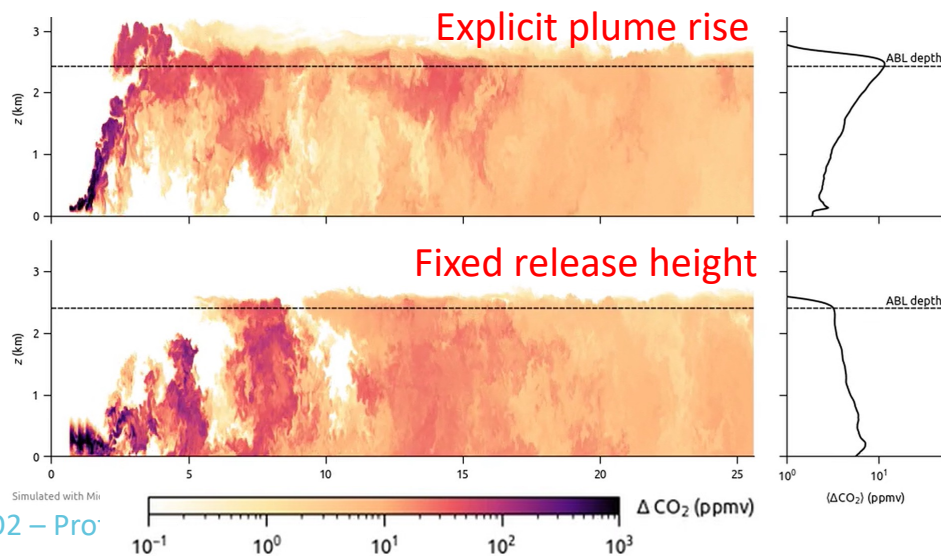
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Plume rise simulations for Jänschwalde with MicroHH (B. van Stratum, WUR)

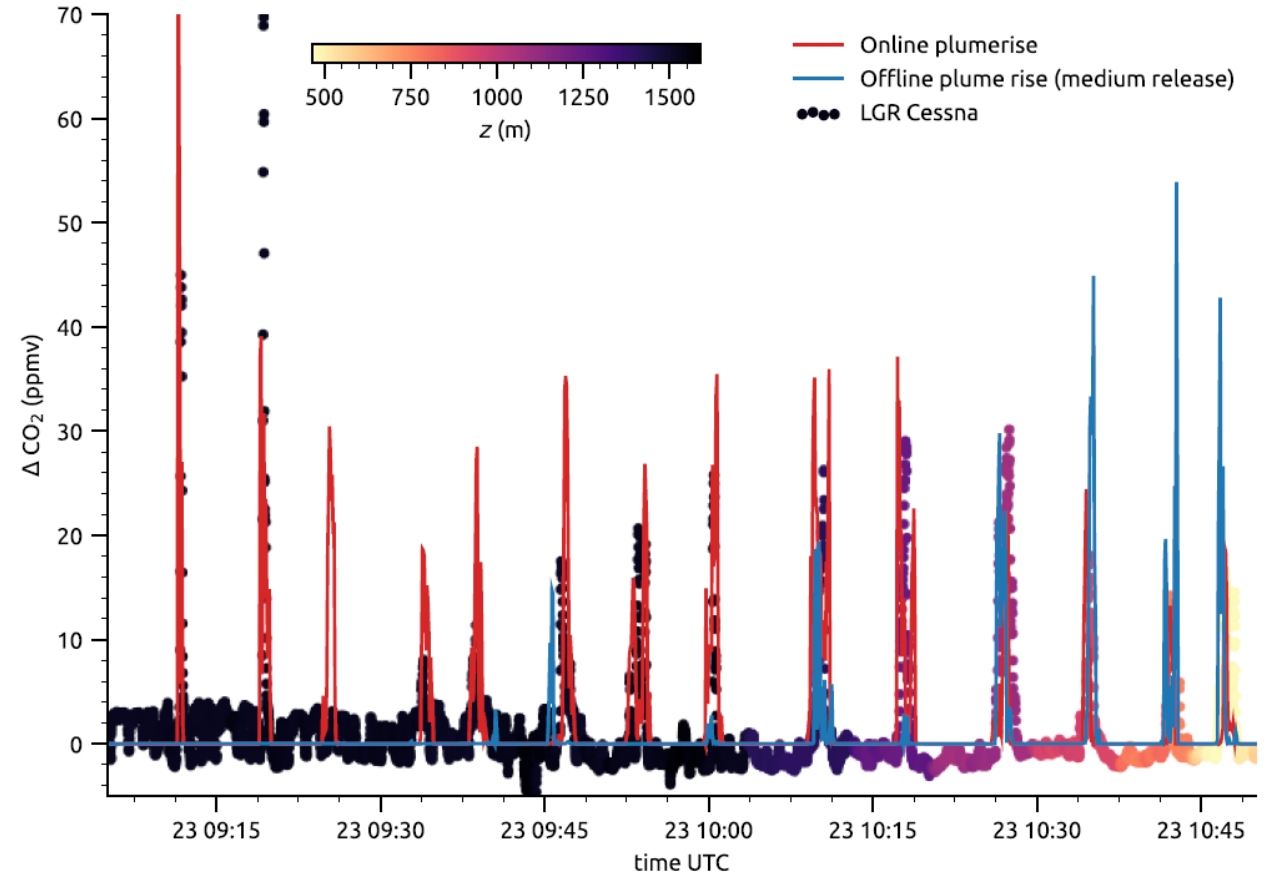
Early morning 06:00



CO2M overpass time 11:30



Comparison with aircraft in-situ CO₂ observations



<https://vimeo.com/channels/microhh/768081104>



Task 4.2: Light plume detection & quantification methods

D4.4: Benchmarking of plume detection and quantification methods, due Dec 2022

Methods tested

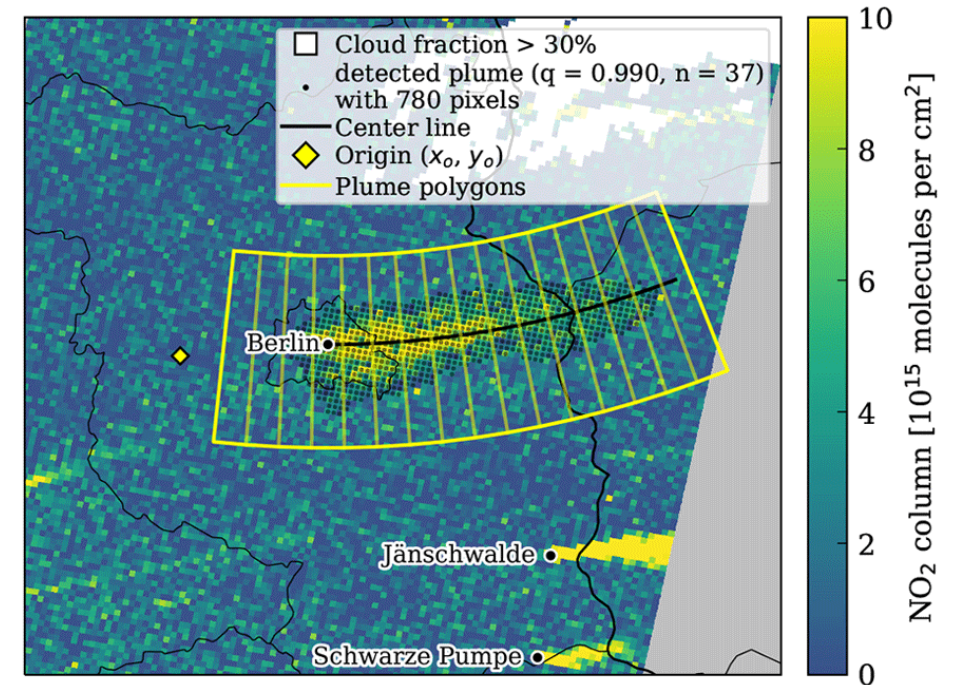
- EMPA: Cross Sectional (CS)
- EMPA: Gaussian Plume (GP)
- EMPA: Integrated Mass Enhancement (IME)
- LSCE: Light Cross Sectional (LCS)
- FMI: Divergence (DIV)

Benchmarking data and configurations

- Synthetic CO2M observations of XCO₂ and NO₂ from SMARTCARB
- 2 periods: full year 2015, 3 months May - Jul
- 2 cloud conditions: With and without
- 2 auxiliary tracer cases: With and without NO₂
- 2 wind fields: COSMO and ERA5 winds

Further tests with real TROPOMI observations and simulated plumes from Task 4.1

Example of plume detection



Technical details

- All methods implemented in *python package ddeq* <https://gitlab.com/empa503/remote-sensing/ddeq>
- Data on *ICOS fileshare* <https://fileshare.icos-cp.eu>
- Analysis with *jupyter notebooks* at *ICOS-CP*



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Beirle's divergence method applied to XCO2 observations

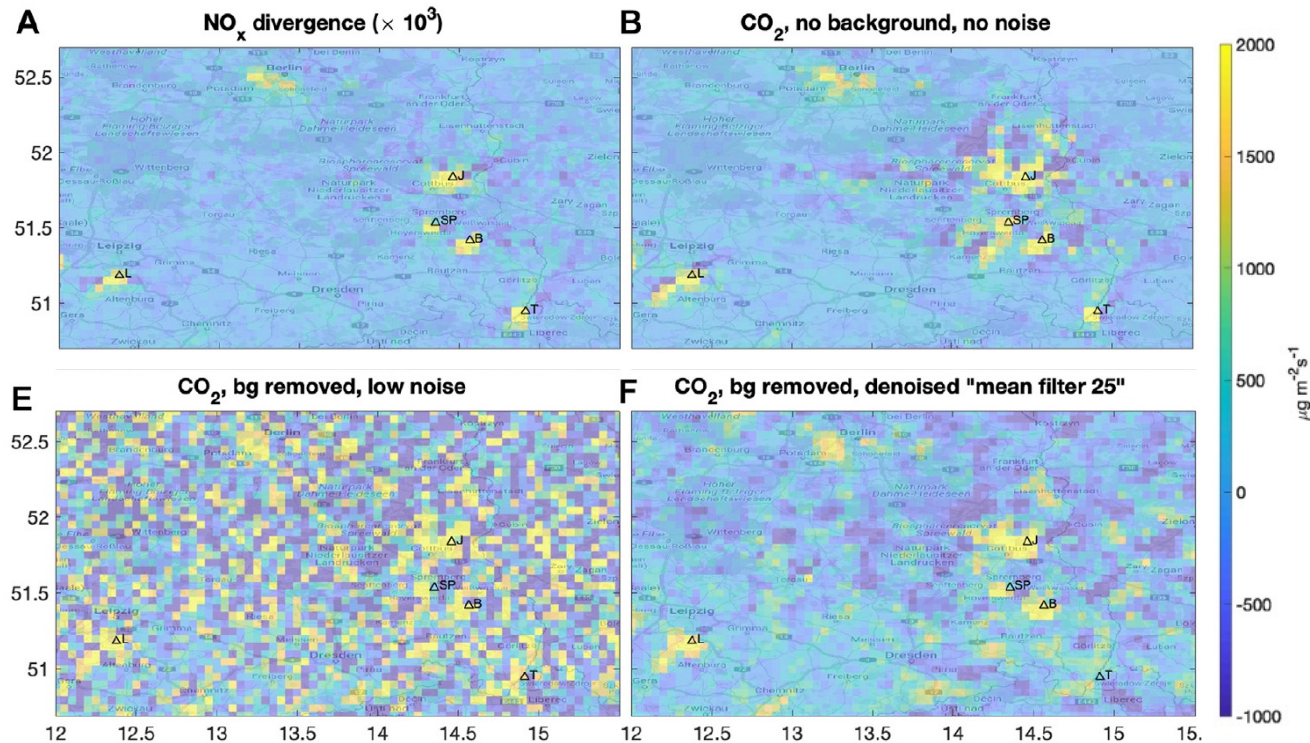
(Hakkarainen et al., *Frontiers in Remote Sensing*, 2022)

Flux divergence equals sum of emissions E and sinks S :

$$\nabla \cdot F = E - S \quad F = (F_x, F_y) = (V \cdot u, V \cdot v)$$

V = vertical column density from satellite
 u, v = horizontal wind components, e.g. from ERA5

Divergence maps for NO_x and CO_2



Method works well for NO_x

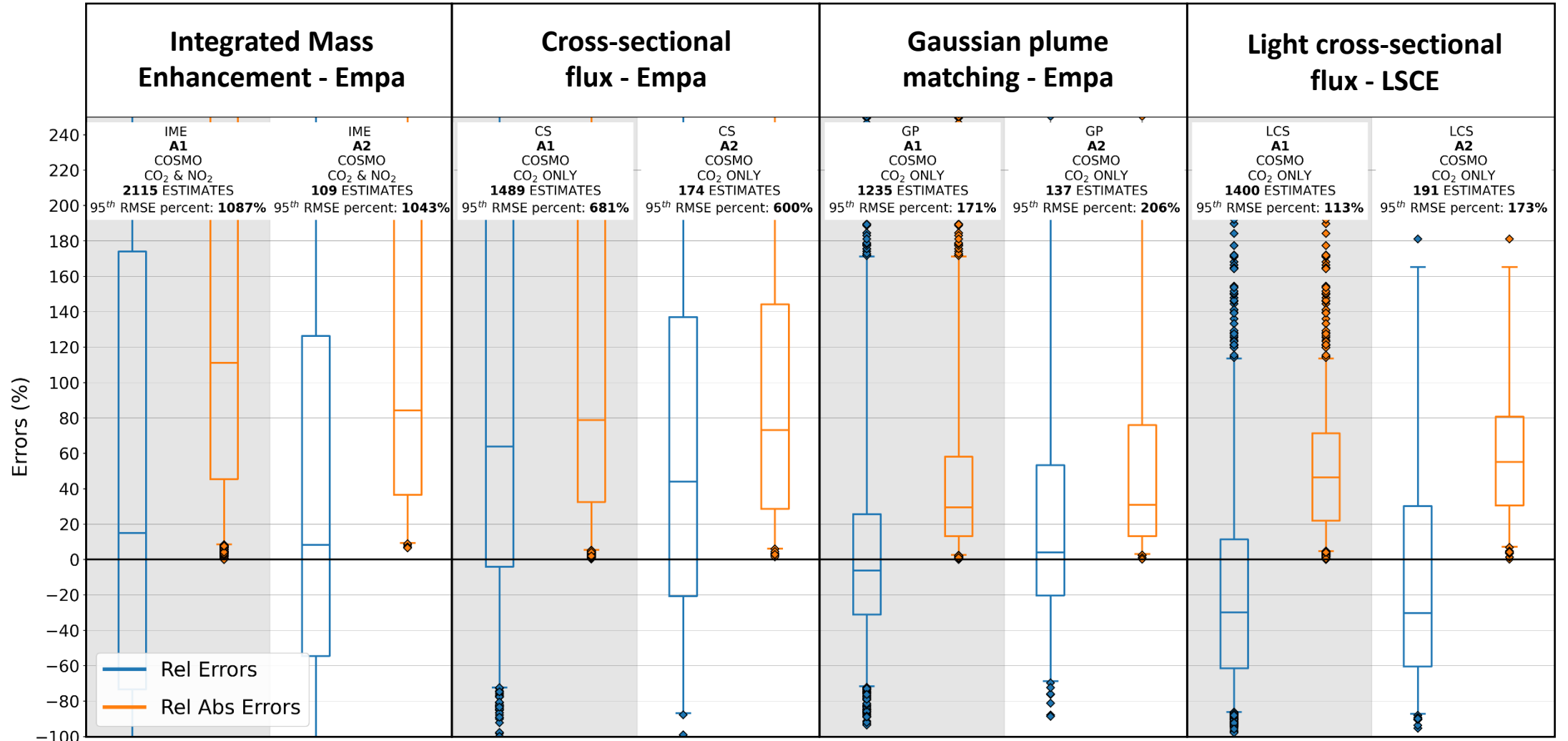
Additional challenges for CO_2 :

- Much lower signal:noise, denoising necessary
- High background levels need to be subtracted before applying method
- Biospheric fluxes
- Strict cloud filtering needed



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Impact of clouds: Compare benchmark results btw. cases A1 (no clouds) and A2 (cloud threshold)



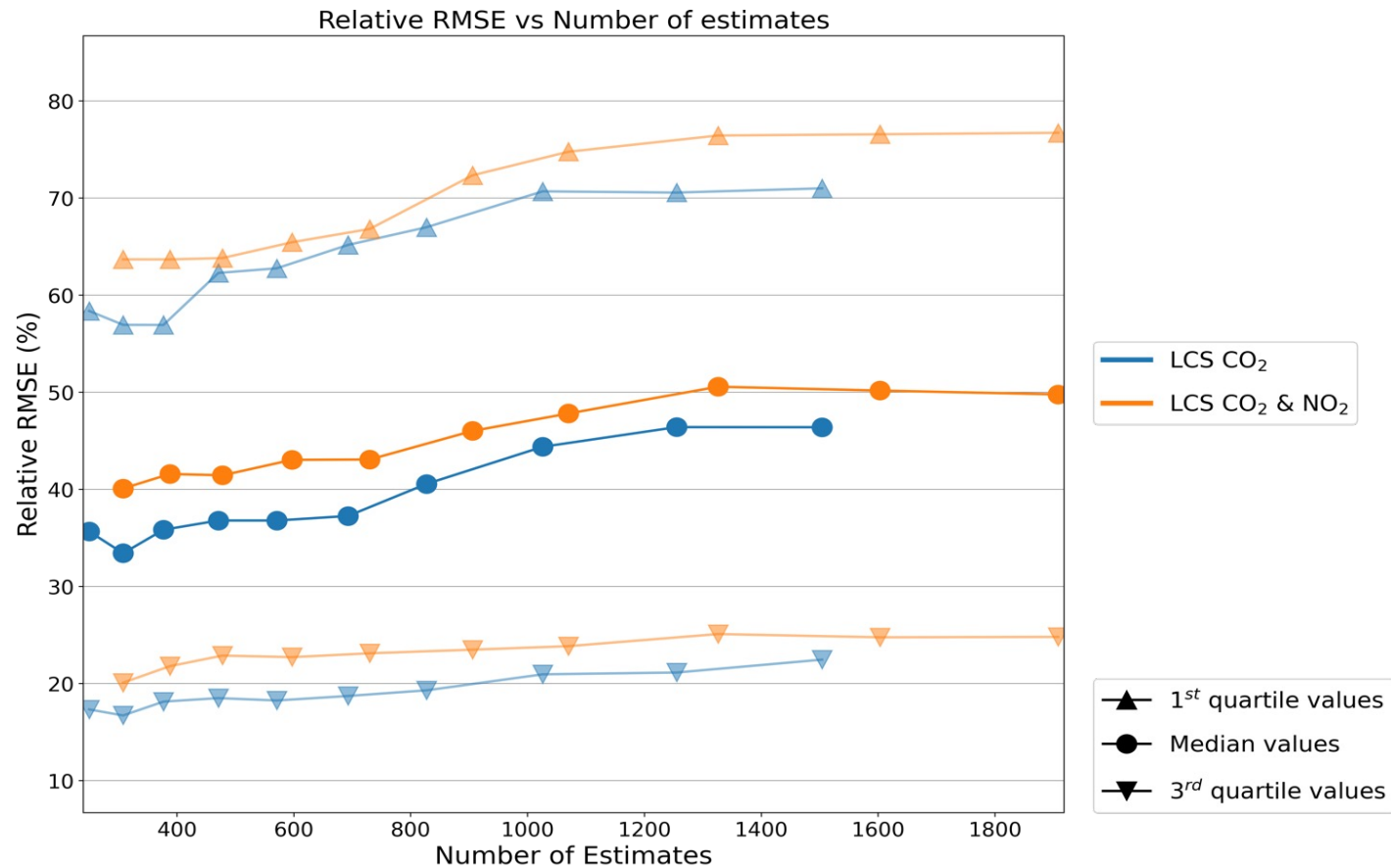


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Impact of quality filtering for poor plume detection & quantification cases

-> Tradeoff between number of estimates and quality of results

Results from light cross-sectional flux method of LSCE for case A1 (no clouds)



less strict quality filtering

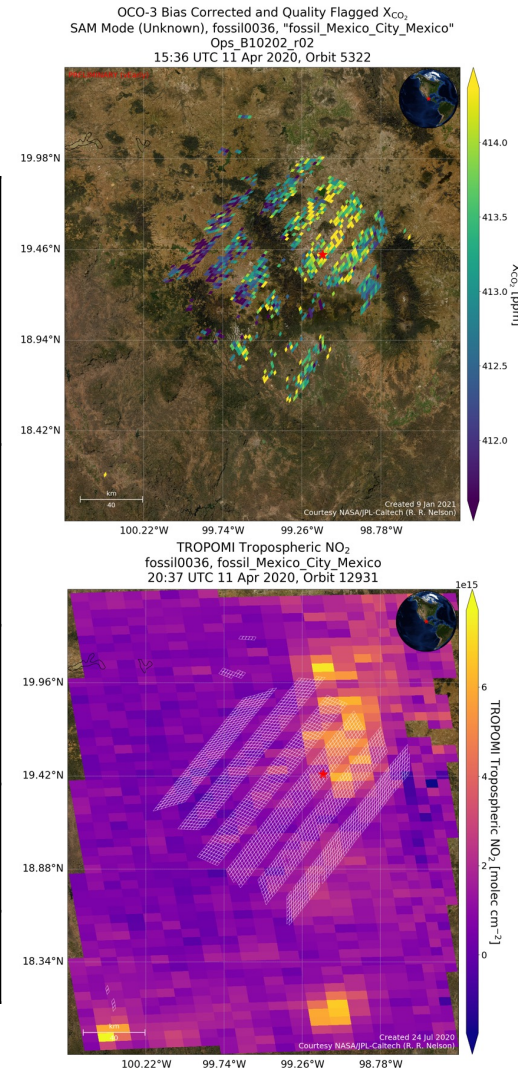


Task 4.3: Local inversions using atmospheric transport models

- **Objective:** develop approaches using info from high resolution models to detect & invert plumes in XCO2 images
- **estimates of the sources (industrial sites, cities) in complex situations** where the light approaches (T4.2) face limitations
- **insights on spatial & sectoral distribution of emissions in cities**

T4.3.1 Overcoming uncertainties in transport model	New metrics for comp of model vs observed plume	Tests on pseudo images of XCO2 plumes from Paris, Berlin and power plants	CERE
	Using CNN trained on model to detect & invert plumes		
Potential of the co-assimilation of CO or NO2 images for cities	Analysing CO/CO2 & NO2/CO2 ratios over urban areas	Global analysis of TROPOMI NO2/CO & OCO-2/3 XCO2	UEdin
Inferring spatial & sectoral distribution of city emissions Optimizing city-scale inversion configurations Assessing their robustness	Propagation of uncertainties with a HR DA system	CCFFDAS assimilating XCO2 and NO2 images over Berlin	iLab
	Tests with pseudo images from LES model	EnKF over the Randstad area	VUA
	Tests with real measurements	Analytical inv. over Krakow	AGH
T4.3.2			

Snapshot Area Map (SAM) of XCO₂ over Mexico by OCO-3 and comparison to TROPOMI NO₂ (source: JPL)





Subtask 4.3.1: New inversion methods

Non local evaluation metrics to compare modelled and observed plumes which does not penalize isometries

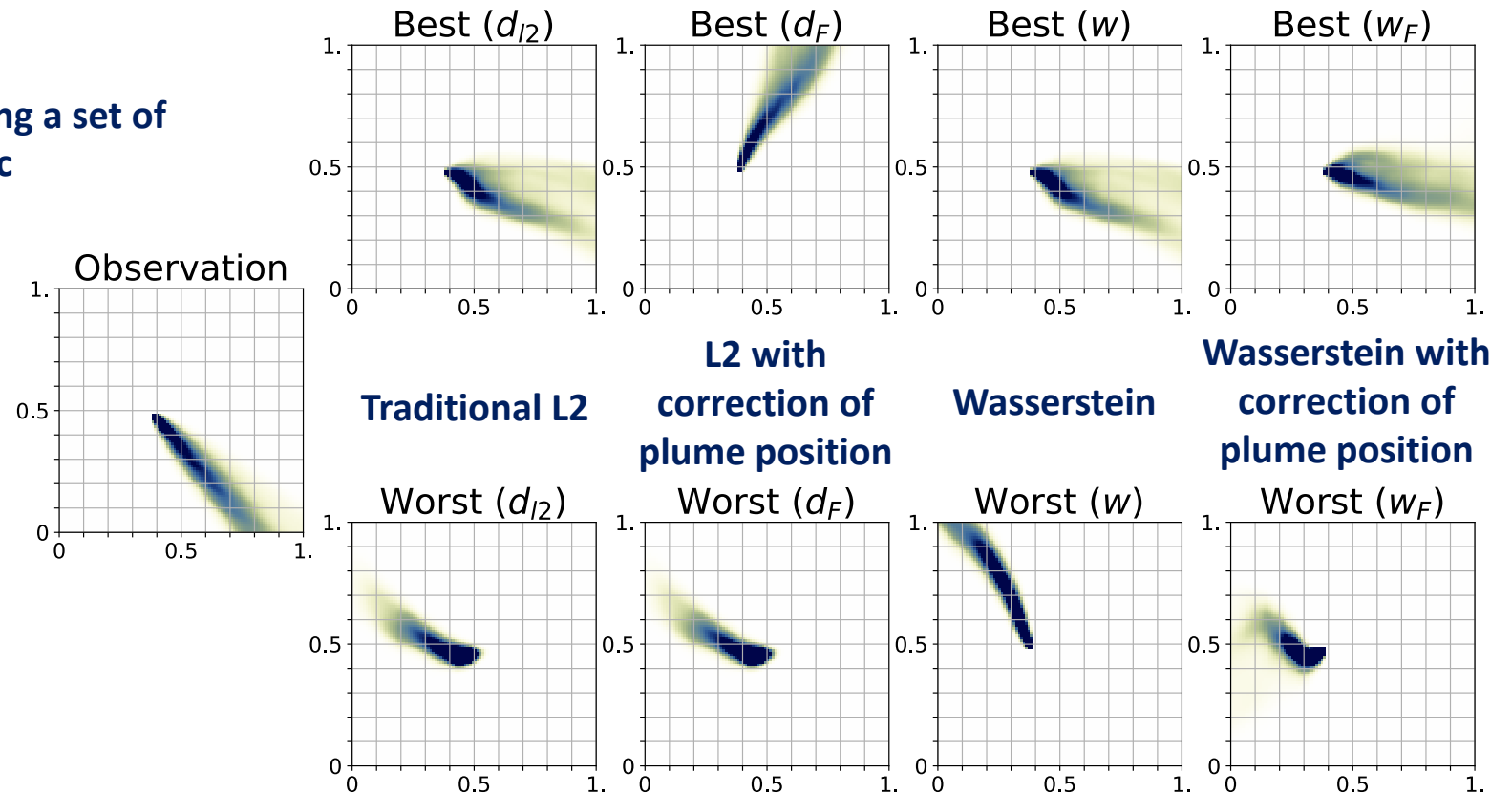
Vanderbecken et al., 2022, AMTD

Testing four metrics

Best and worst fit to observed plumes among a set of modelled plumes as a function of the metric

Test on simulations from E. Potier (LSCE)

- **Baseline \mathcal{L}_2 metric (d_{l_2}):**
 - (+) Easy to compute.
 - (-) double penalty issue.
- **New local metric (d_F) freed from position error:**
 - (+) Keep \mathcal{L}_2 formalism while addressing double penalty issue.
 - (-) Add a local minimisation process.
- **Non-local Wasserstein metric (w):**
 - (+) Separation of the errors sources.
 - (-) Loose of the scale information.
- **Non-local Hellinger metric (w_F):**
 - (+) Cheap and freed of position error.
 - (-) Ground on Gaussian puff assumption.

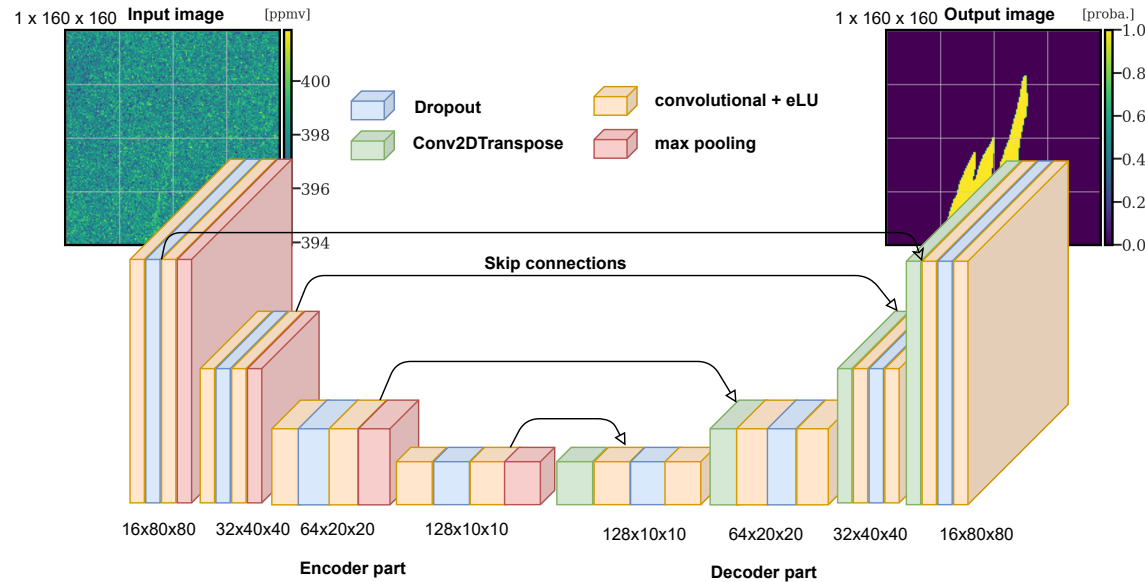




Subtask 4.3.1: New inversion methods

Plume segmentation and inversions based on Convolutional Neural Networks

J. Dumont Le Brazidec / CEREA

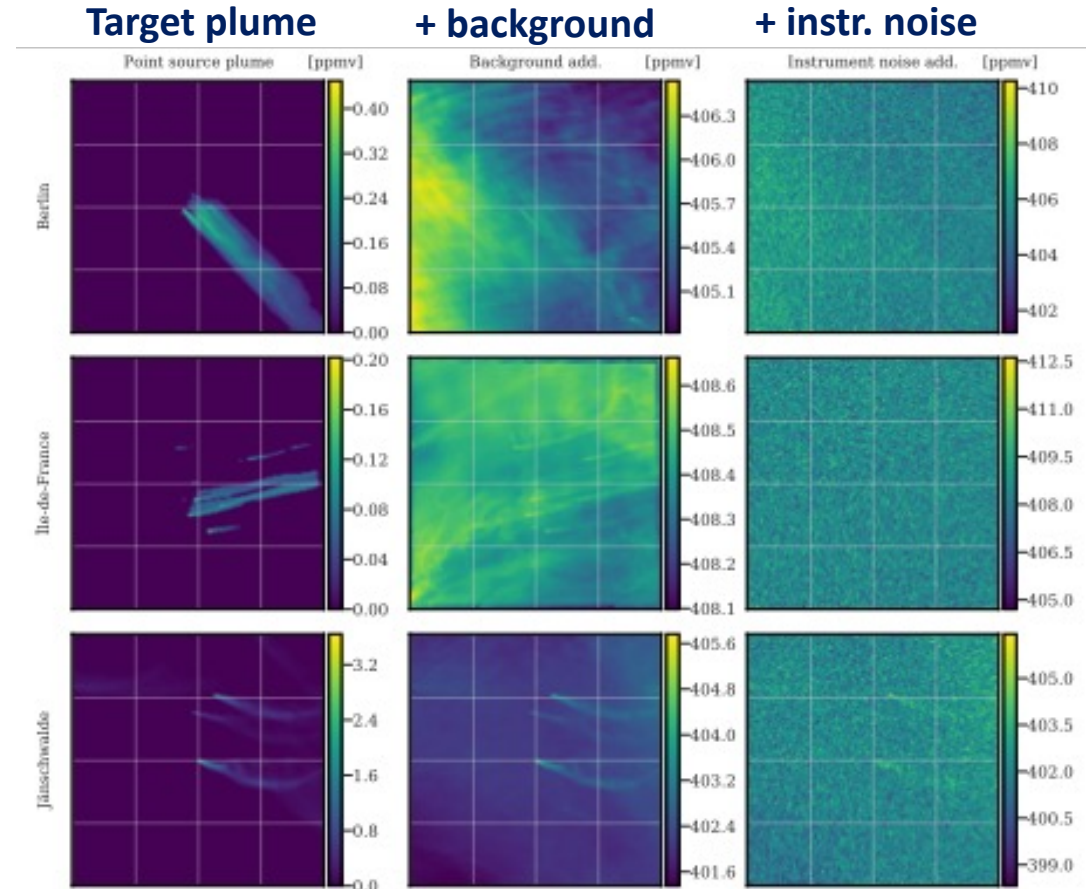


Plume segmentation: U-Net algorithm fed with pairs of XCO2 full fields and plume mask

- **Tests on XCO2 pseudo-images**

- modeled with WRF-Chem around Paris (LSCE/Suez Origins)
- modeled with COSMO-GHG around Berlin & Power Plants in Germany (SMARTCARB project / EMPA)

Examples of XCO2 field simulation





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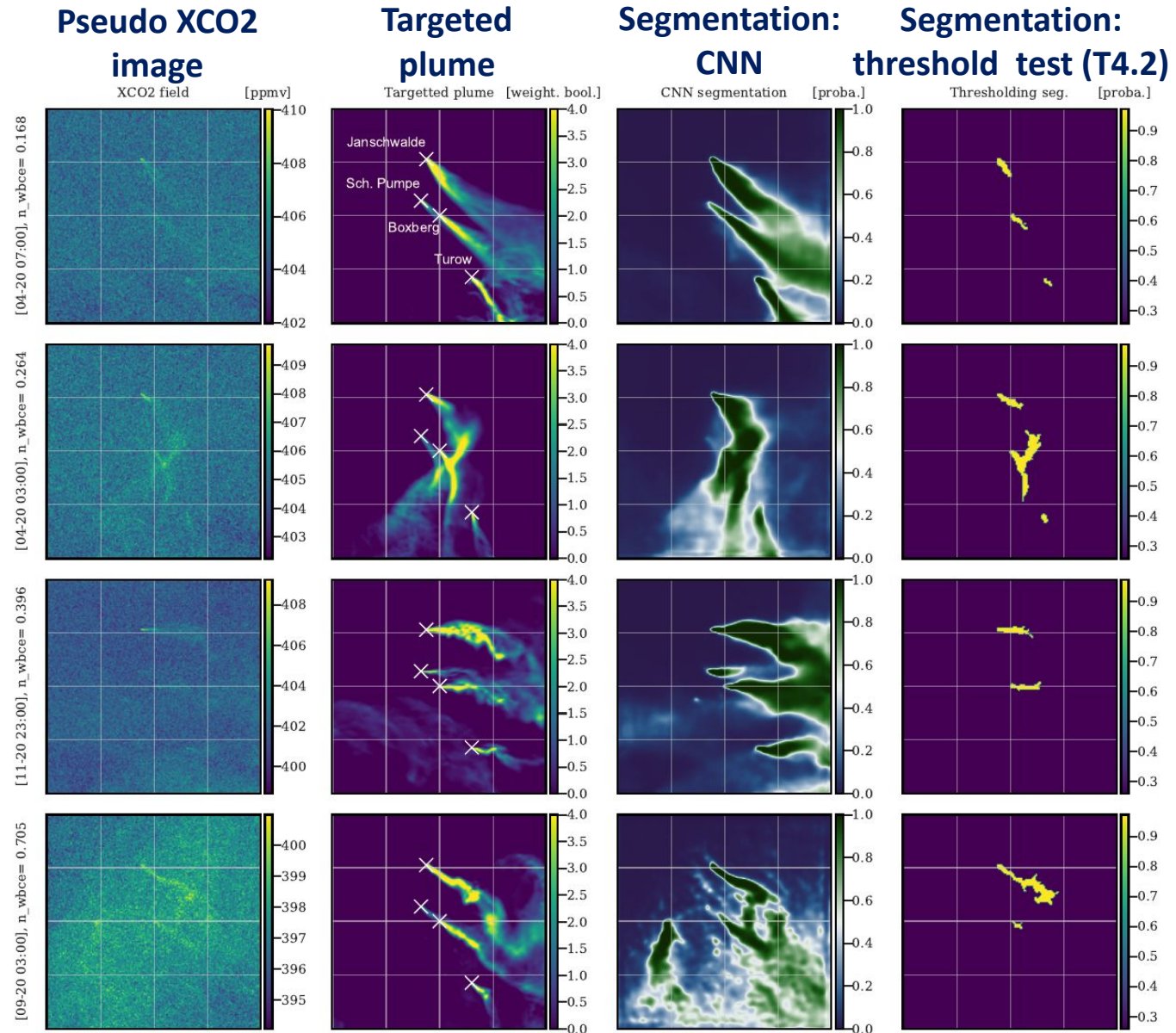
Plume segmentation based on Convolutional Neural Networks

Dumont Le Brazidec et al., 2022, submitted to GMD

Training and tests on images of the cluster of PP plumes around Boxberg

Rows = quartiles of performances from best to worst: the performance is based on a weighting of the plume mask by the plume concentration

→ Ability to handle overlapping plumes





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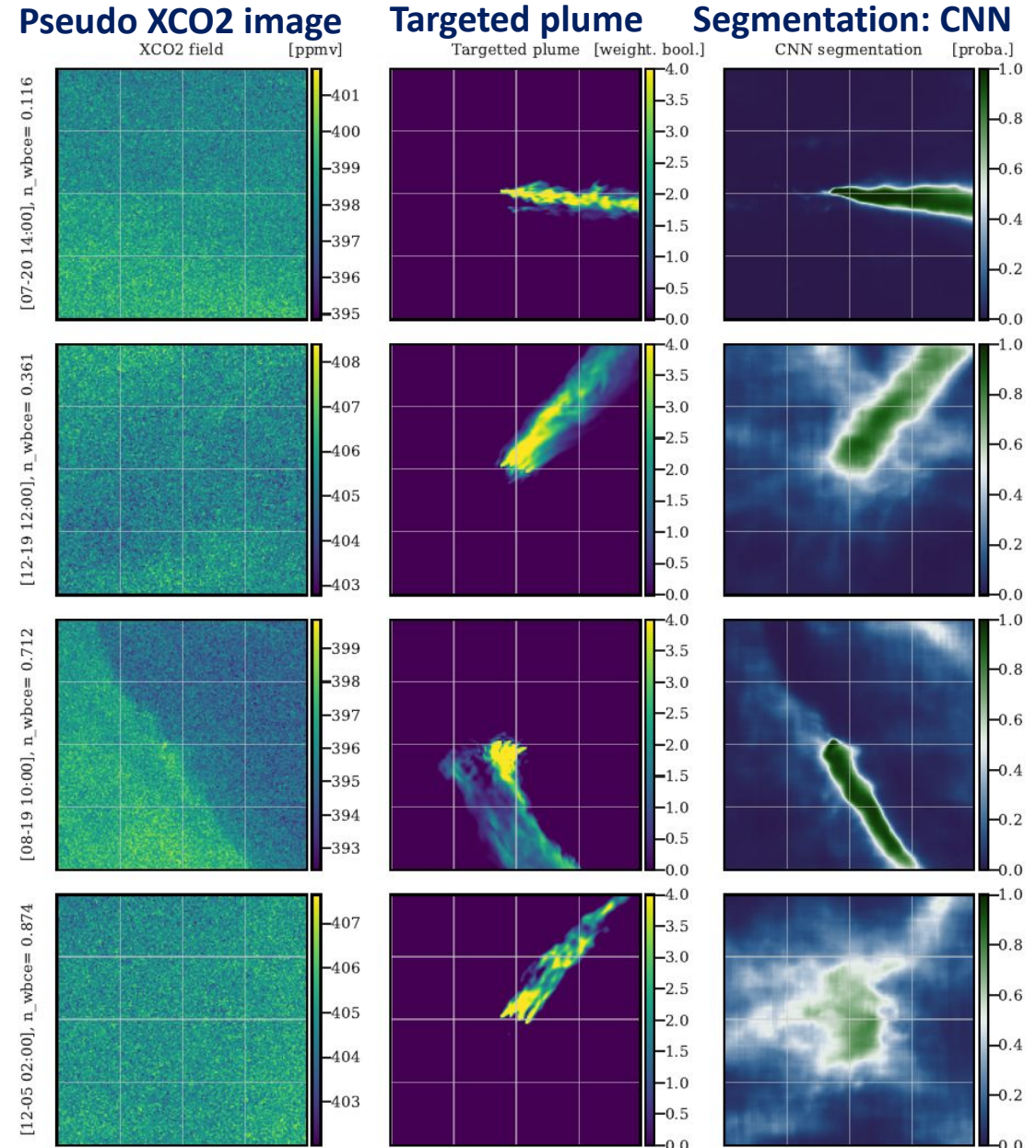
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Training on images over Paris + PP and tests on images of the plume from Berlin

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- performances close to those when training the CNN with images from Berlin
- **towards a “universal” algorithm** trained with a limited set of simulations to cover wide sets of sources: **from high to low cost method**
- Now investigating the use of NO₂ images to support the XCO₂ plume segmentation (1st results promising)





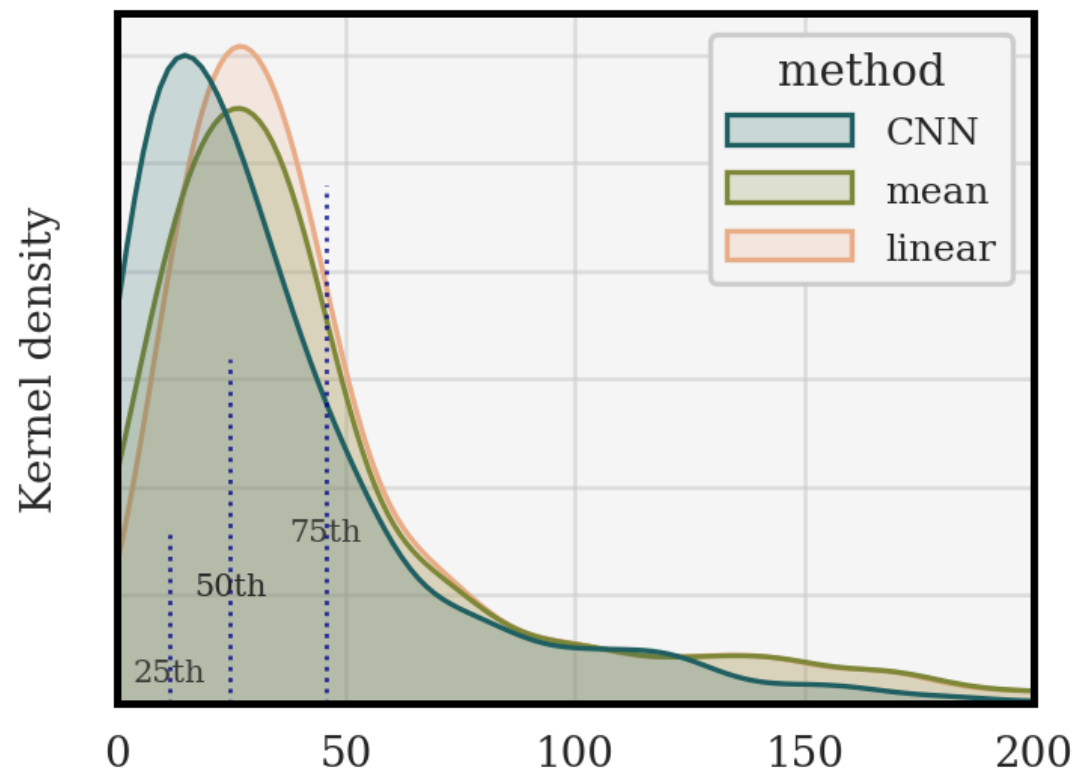
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Plume inversion based on Convolutional Neural Networks

- Estimates of the total emissions from the source
- Until recently, encouraging results when training the CNN with sets of images including the targeted source

Inversion results corresponding to relative errors on hourly emission from Berlin when using a CNN trained with XCO₂ images on Berlin.

- Recent progresses and perspectives adding, in input:
 - the CNN-based segmentation results
 - the NO₂ images



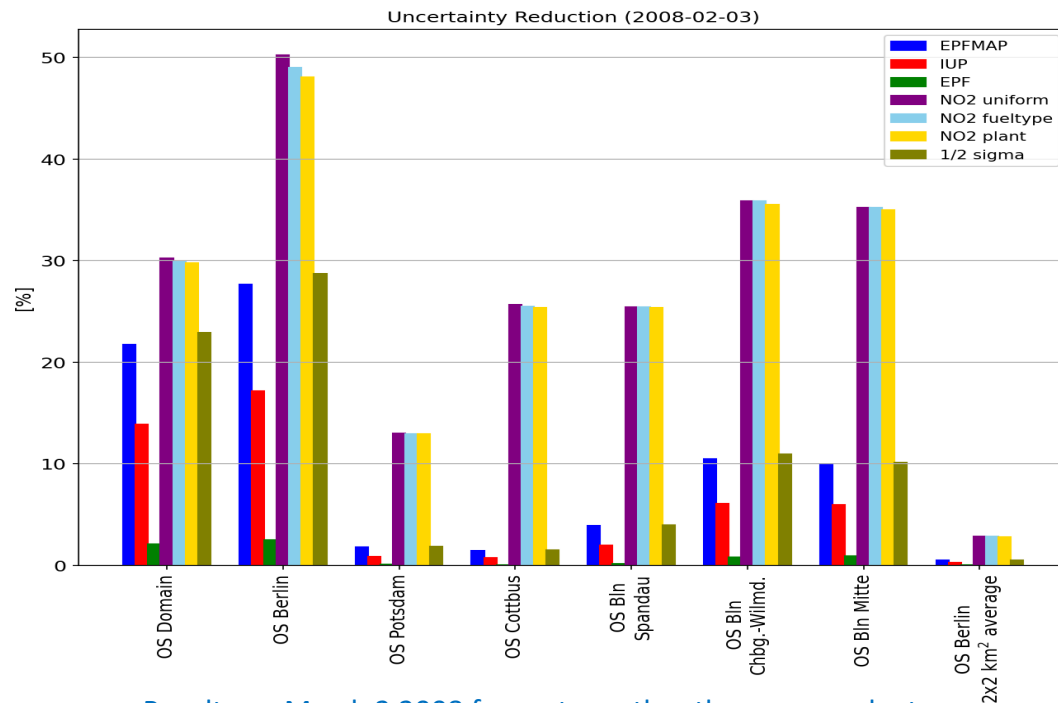


Subtask 4.3.2: Spatial resolution of the city emissions

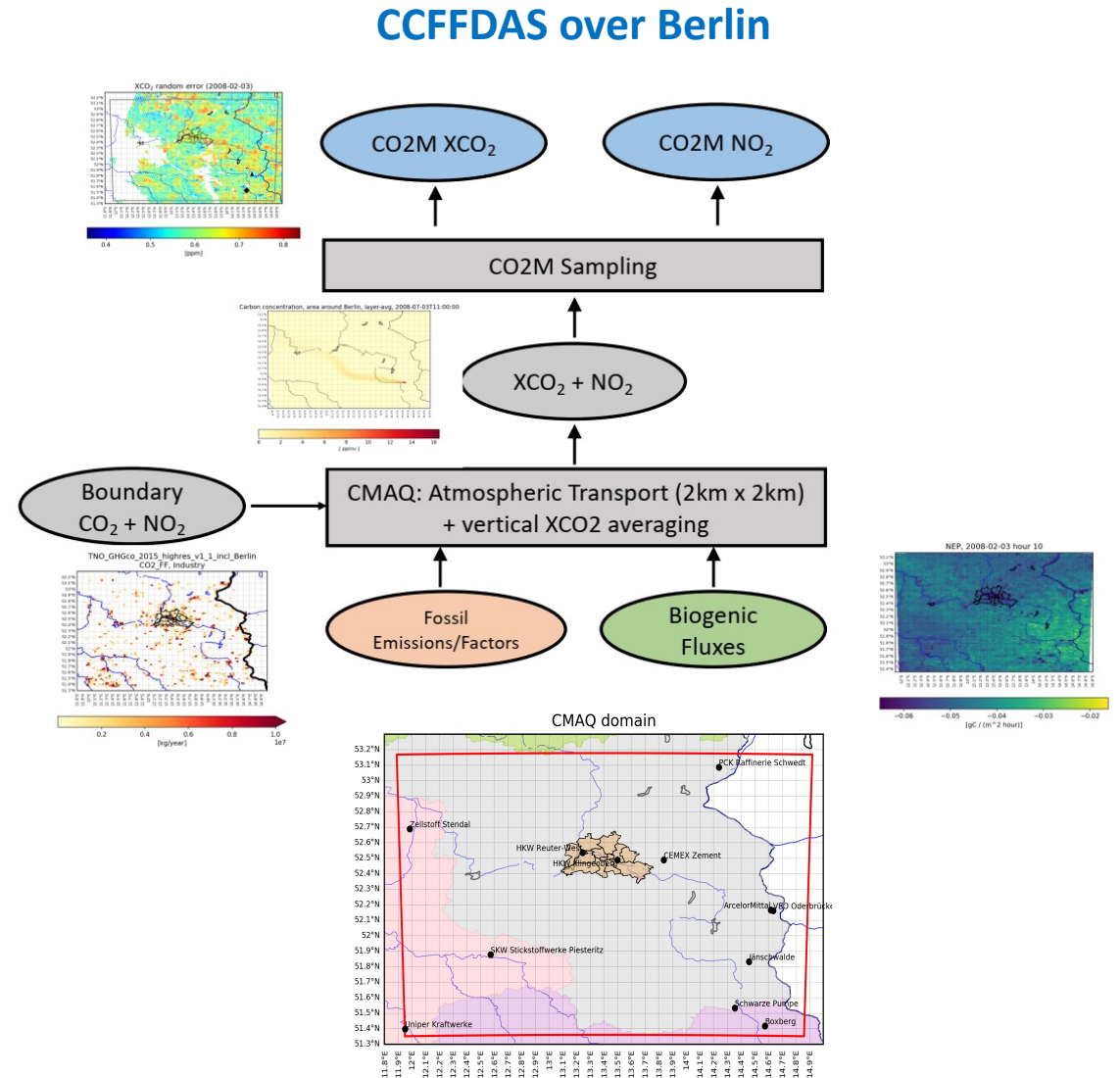
Sensitivity to control vector & ability to solve for the spatial distribution of emissions within cities

Analysis with the CCFFDAS over Berlin

Kaminski et al., 2022, Front. Remote Sens.



Results on March 2 2008 for sectors other than power plants



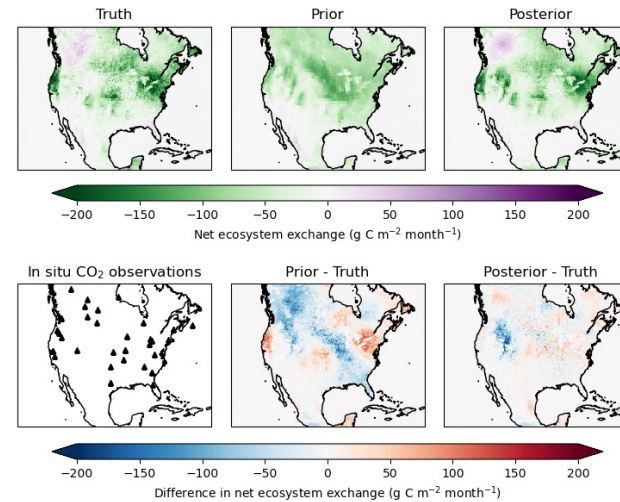
→ Ability to solve for the emission of individual districts in Berlin when using both XCO₂ and NO₂ images



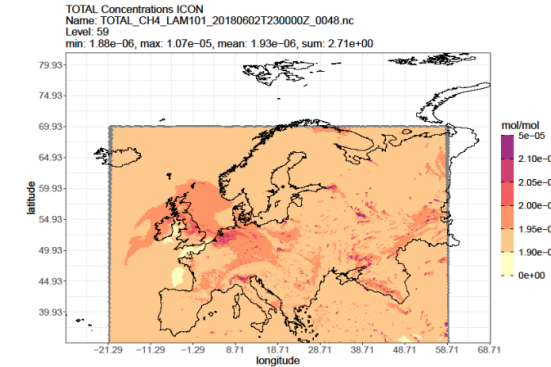
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- Mainly for EU countries, especially for Germany, France, the Netherlands and the UK
- CO₂ but also CH₄ inversions
- using pseudo (incl. CO2M)/real in situ/satellite CO₂/co-emitted species data for CoCO2 ref years (2018, 2021)
- **Objective of the intercomparisons:**
- Evaluating standard (fed by WP2-7) and country specific configs, obs networks (impact of CO2M) and methods
- Assessing their complementarities
- Feeding WP6 & WP8: estimates for GST1 and for assimilation into prototype & supporting developments of national systems
- **Protocol**
- All WP2-WP7 required input available except CO2M pseudo data (coming soon)

CO₂ inversions with pseudo-data at ULUND



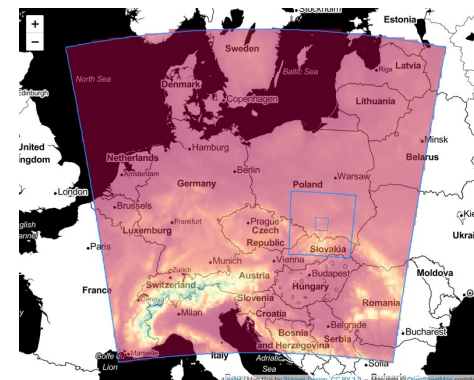
CH₄ simulations at DWD



Initial commitments

	France	Germany	The Netherlands	Poland	Finland	UK	USA
DLR							
UEDIN							
TNO							
DWD							
EMPA							
LSCE							
VUA							
FMI							
ULUND							
ECMWF							
AGH							

5 km – 1 km – 200 m nested configuration at AGH



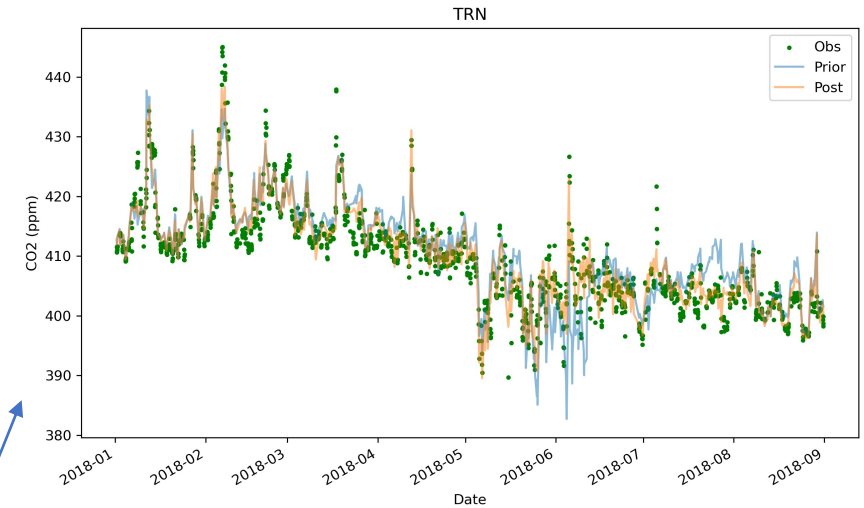


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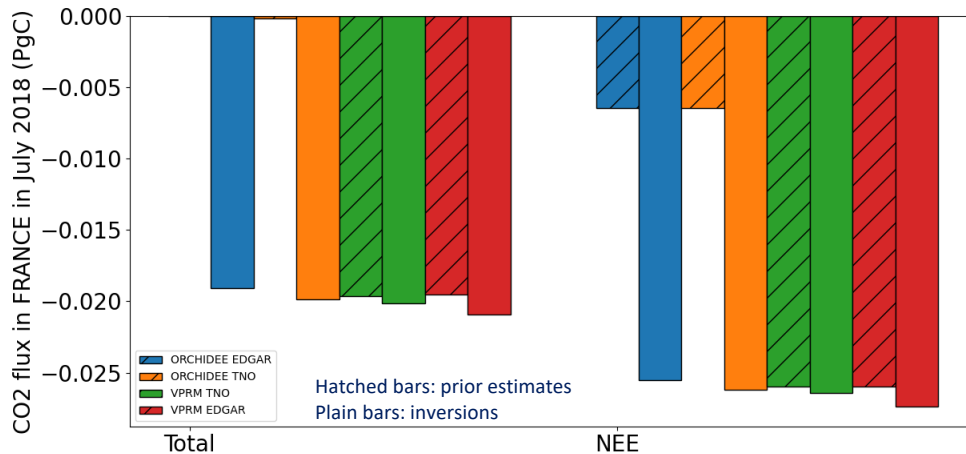
Inversions of anthropogenic and natural CO2 fluxes in France using in situ CO2 data

E. Potier / LSCE

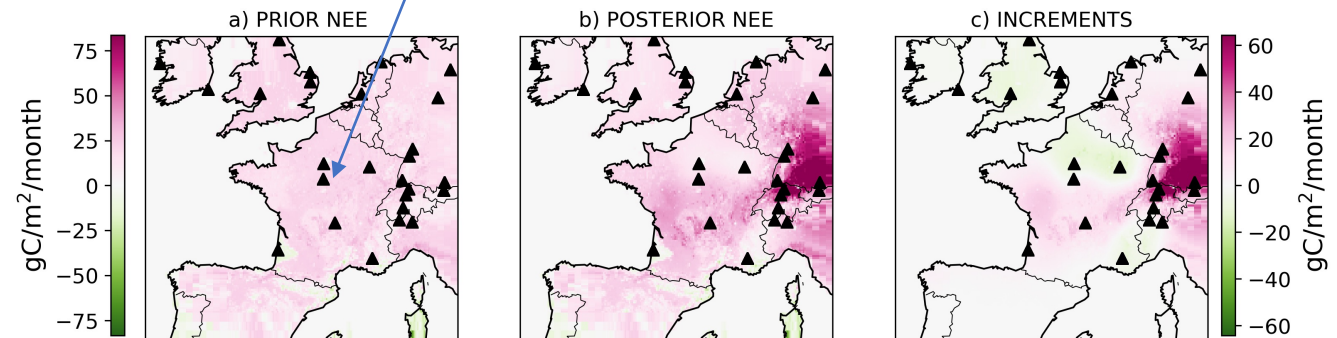
- Inversions with variational mode of Community Inversion Framework (CIF) + 10 km res CHIMERE with adjoint
 - Control of the NEE at 10 km / 6-h res and of the anthropogenic at the scale of admin regions and 1 day
 - Tests of sensitivity to prior estimates of the NEE fluxes and anthropogenic emissions
- consistency of the maps and budgets of inverted NEE



Observed vs modelled CO2 at Trainou



NEE budget for France in July 2018



10 km resolution maps of NEE in Feb 2018 when using VPRM as prior estimate of the NEE



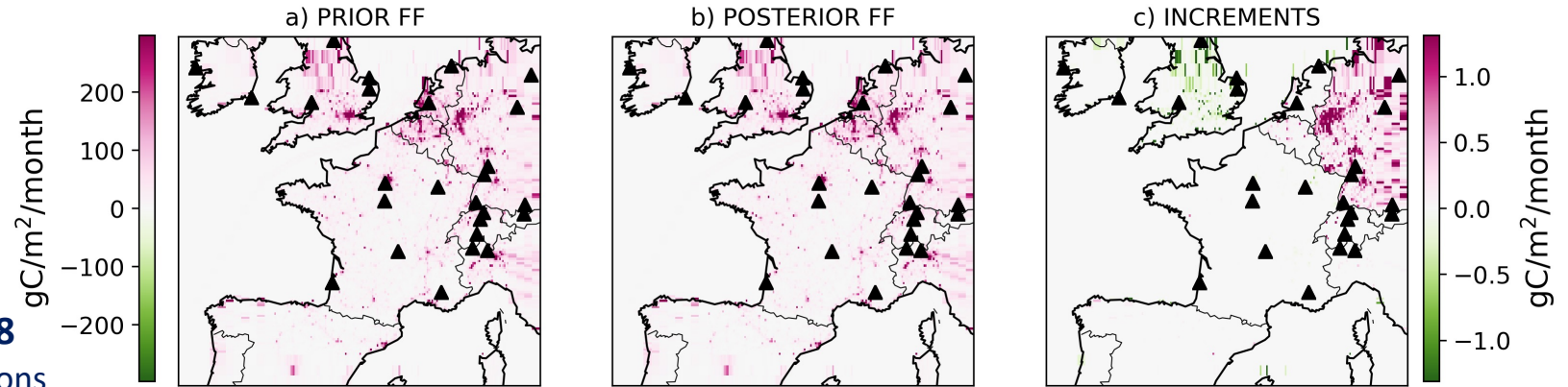
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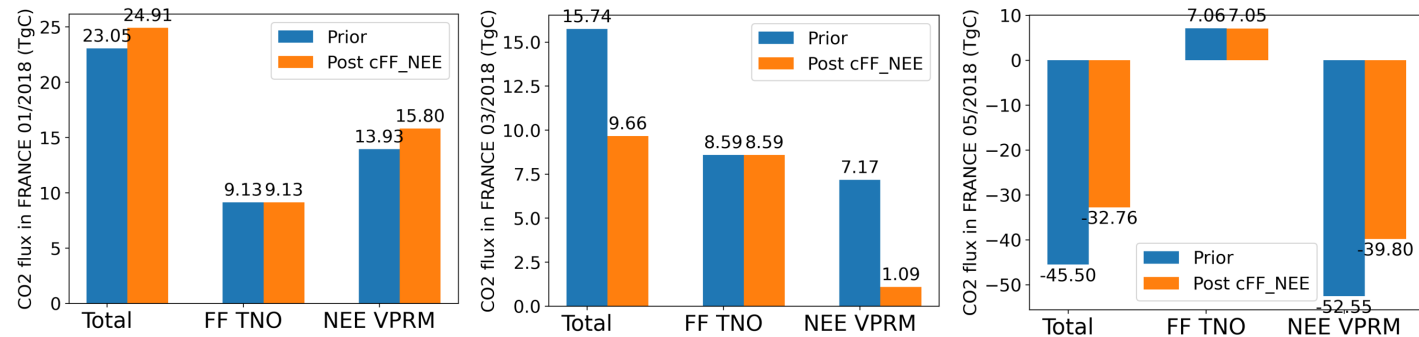
E. Potier / LSCE

- Lack of sensitivity and thus correction to anthropogenic emission estimates

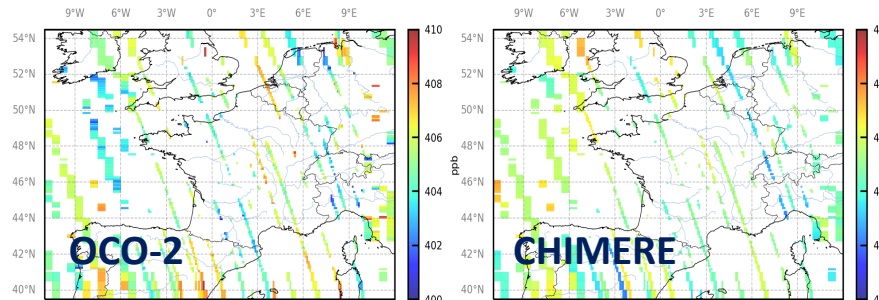
10 km resolution maps of the anthropogenic CO2 emissions in Feb 2018
when using TNO as prior estimate of the emissions



Results for Jan, March and May



- Next tests include the assimilation of OCO-2 XCO2 data



Observed and simulated OCO-2 XCO2 data in July 2018



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Inversions of anthropogenic and natural CO2 fluxes in Europe using CO2 / XCO2 data

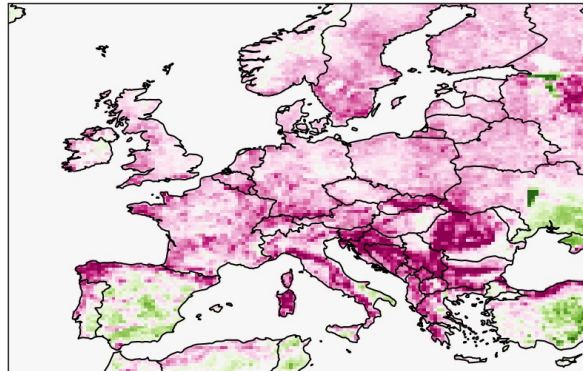
T. Scarpelli / UEdin

- Inversions based on EnKF (100 members) and GEOS-Chem model (0.25°x0.3°)
- Separate control of natural and anthropogenic fluxes
- Current tests assimilating in situ CO2 and satellite (OCO-2) XCO2 separately

CO2 NEE for 2018

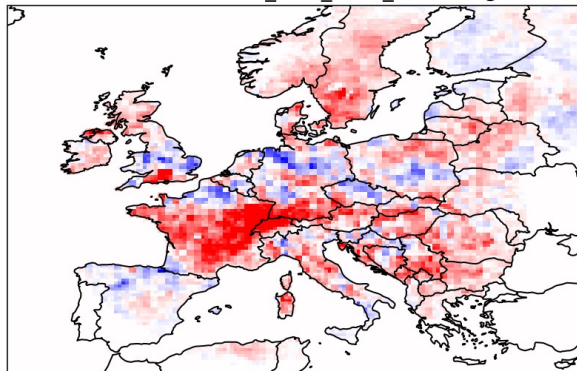
Prior (VPRM)

NEE CO2 flux for prior (kg/m2/s)



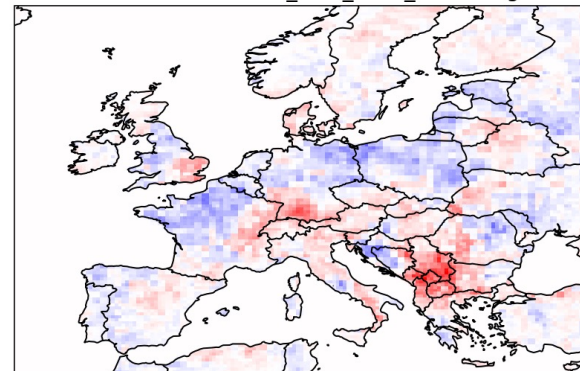
In-situ

NEE CO2 diff for insitu_CO2_base_coco2 (kg/m2/s)

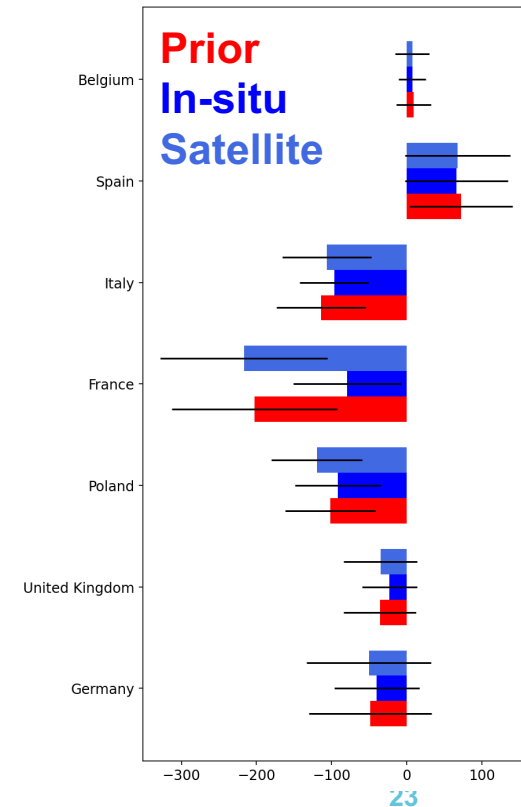


Satellite (OCO-2)

NEE CO2 diff for satellite_CO2_base_coco2 (kg/m2/s)



National CO2 fluxes for 2018 (Tg)





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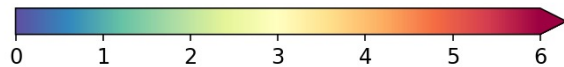
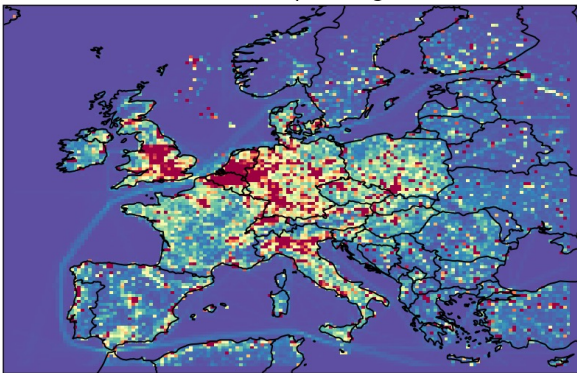
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- Lack of correction to anthropogenic emissions
- Need for co-emitted species
- On-going experiments with co-assimilation of satellite CO data

CO2 anthropogenic emissions in 2018

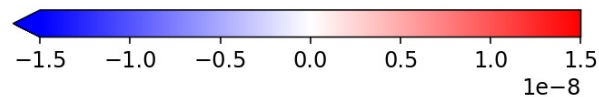
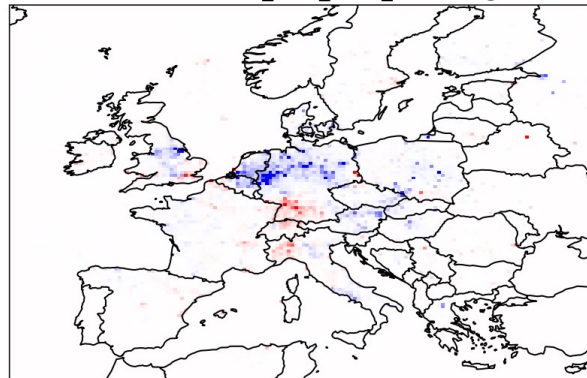
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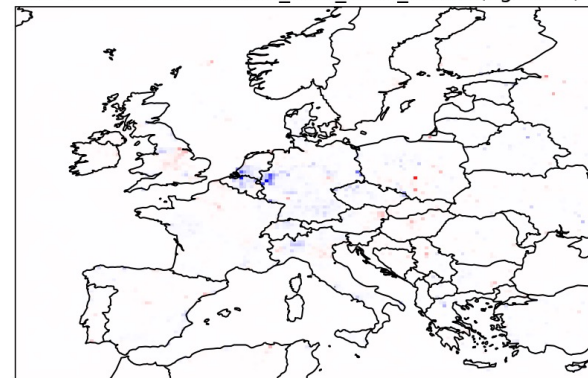
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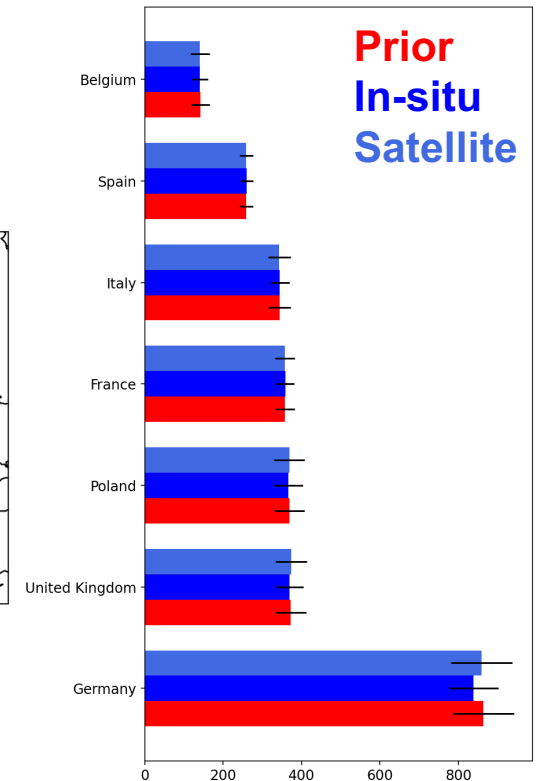


Satellite (OCO-2)

FF CO2 diff for satellite_CO2_base_coco2 (kg/m2/s)



National CO2 combustion emissions in 2018 (Tg)





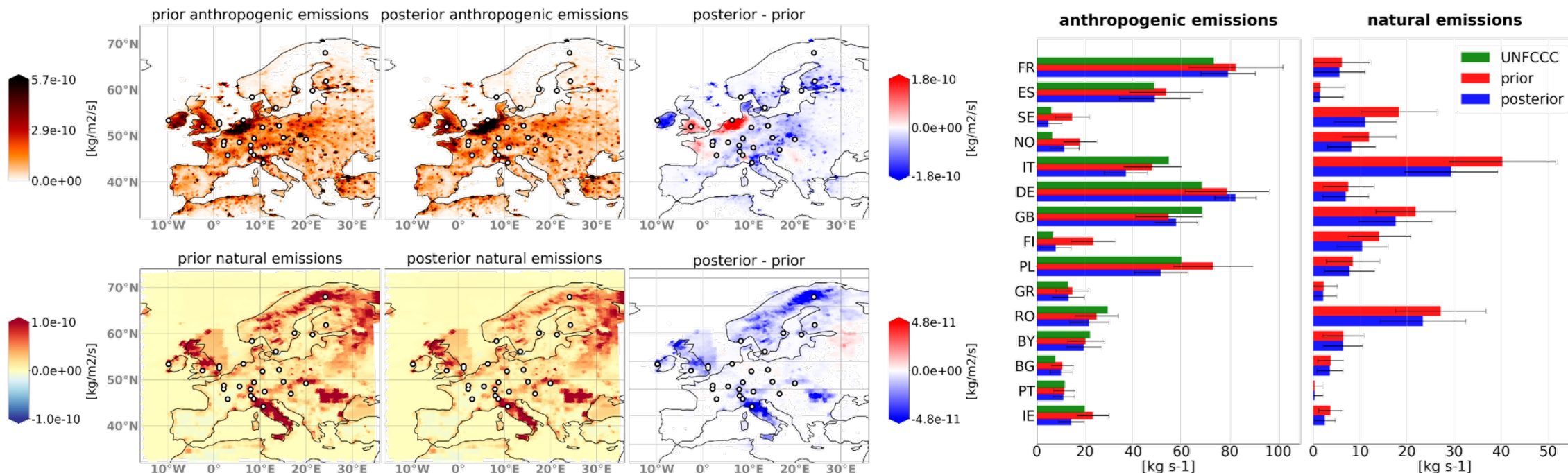
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Estimation of European CH₄ emissions

M. Steiner / EMPA

- Inversions based on ICON-ART-CTDAS (Ensemble Kalman Smoother)
- Separate control of anthropogenic and natural emissions
- On-going set-up of ICON-ART-CTDAS inversions of CO₂ fluxes

2018 annual mean: maps of emissions & country scale budgets

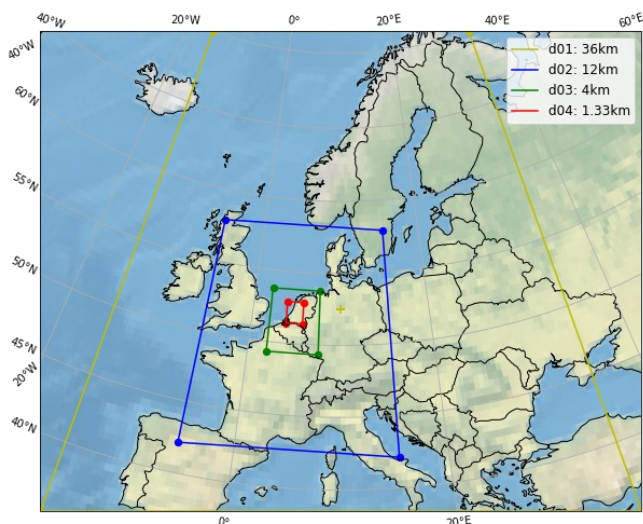




Task 4.5: Guidance & synthesis of the local and regional estimates

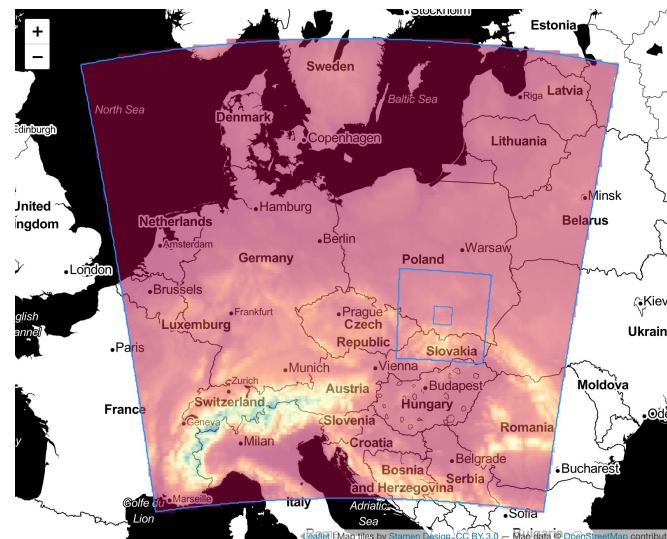
Synthesis of WP4, confronting results from local & national scale inversions

- Perspective on the use of high res model for local scale inversions from T4.1-3
- Reconciling instant / local and national estimates: tests cases covered by local inv. (T4.2-3) and gridded national inv. (T4.4) and nested configurations
- Benchmarking test cases and criteria, guidance for the multiscale prototype in WP6 and the development of local, regional or nested systems

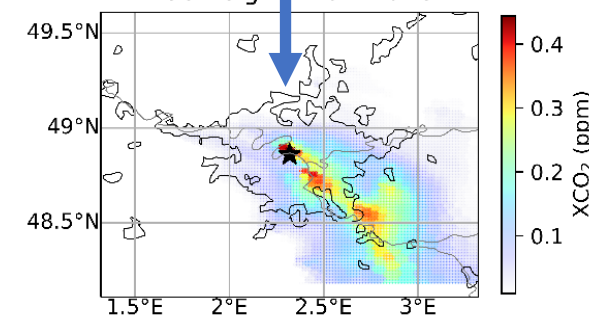
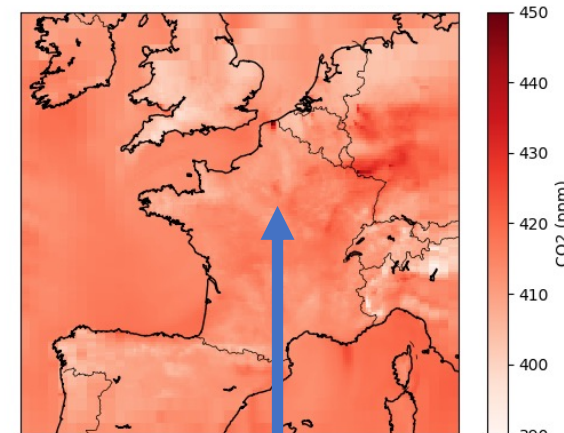


Nested configuration at VUA

5 km – 1 km – 200 m nested configuration at AGH



Surface CO₂ over France at 10 km res (E. Potier, LSCE)



XCO₂ over the Paris area at 1 km res (Sim by J. Lian; Fig. by A. Danjou, LSCE)



WP4 Deliverables

D4.1 Definition of simulation cases and model systems for building a library of plumes (lead: WU)	M06	Done
D4.2 Assessment of plume model performance (lead: Empa)	M24	On time
D4.3 Documentation of plume detection and quantification methods (lead: Empa)	M12	Done
D4.4 Benchmarking of plume detection and quantification methods (lead: FMI)	M24	Delay 1-2 Mt
D4.5 Perspectives on the use of atmospheric transport models for local scale inversions (lead: ENPC)	M26	In prep.
D4.6 Intercomparisons of national-scale inversions (lead: MPG)	M34	
D4.7 Ensemble of estimates for assimilation into prototype (lead: UEDIN)	M30	
D4.8 Synthesis and recommendations (lead: CEA)	M36	



Perspectives for the final year

- Finalization of the main activities at local scale: tasks 4.1 and 4.2 and D4.5 (based on results from task 4.3)
- **T4.4 national scale inversions: Including co-emitted species in inversions of CO₂ fluxes, experiments with pseudo CO₂M data, sensitivity tests and inter-comparisons**
- Sending results from T4.4 national scale inversions for assimilation into multi-scale prototype in WP6 (D4.7)
- Analysis with T4.3 / T4.4 nested national to city scale configurations to feed the synthesis in T4.5 (D4.8)
- **Synthesis**
- Regular and fruitful meetings at WP and task levels since the beginning of the project: will be maintained