

SPF Clean Air Wave 1 Kick Off Event

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Agenda change

Time	Agenda item
09.30 – 10.00	Registration (tea, coffee and pastries available)
10.00 – 10.10	Welcome from UKRI-NERC – Professor Sir Duncan Wingham
10.10 – 10.20	Welcome from Met Office – Professor Stephen Belcher
10.20 – 10.50	Overview from the Champions
10.50 - 12.15	Overview from PIs of each project
12.15 – 13.15	Lunch
13.15 – 13.30	Champions role
13.30 – 15.20	Poster session (tea/coffee to be available throughout)
15.20 – 15.35	Comfort break
15.35 – 15.50	Event and discussions summary from the Champions
15.50 – 16.00	Questions from the audience
16.00 – 16.30	Closing statements from Professor Frank Kelly
16.30	Meeting closes



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Welcome

Professor Sir Duncan Wingham

Executive Chair UKRI-NERC



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Welcome

Professor Stephen Belcher

Met Office Chief Scientist



Champions overview

Professor Stephen Holgate

Dr Jenny Baverstock





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Programme Overview

Stephen Holgate
UKRI Clean Air Champion.



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Strategic Priorities Fund

The Strategic Priorities Fund (SPF) is being led by UKRI to: build on Sir Paul Nurse's vision of a 'common fund', to support high quality multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary research programmes, which could have otherwise been missed through traditional funding channels

- Drive an increase in high quality multi- and interdisciplinary research and innovation
- Ensure that UKRI's investment links up effectively with government research priorities and opportunities
- Ensure the system responds to strategic priorities and opportunities



Motivation for a Clean Air Programme

Atmospheric pollution in the UK is responsible for approximately 36-40,000 early deaths and has a cost of around £20 billion to health services and business, per year.

- The **UK is entering a transformative period** in air quality, as transport, heating, energy, solvent use and agricultural emissions change.
- **Most of the 'easy wins'** to reduce particulate matter, volatile organic compounds, ammonia and nitrogen oxides have already been implemented in the UK.
- **Future improvements will require innovative solutions** underpinned by new research to protect the health of society, whilst pursuing clean growth.

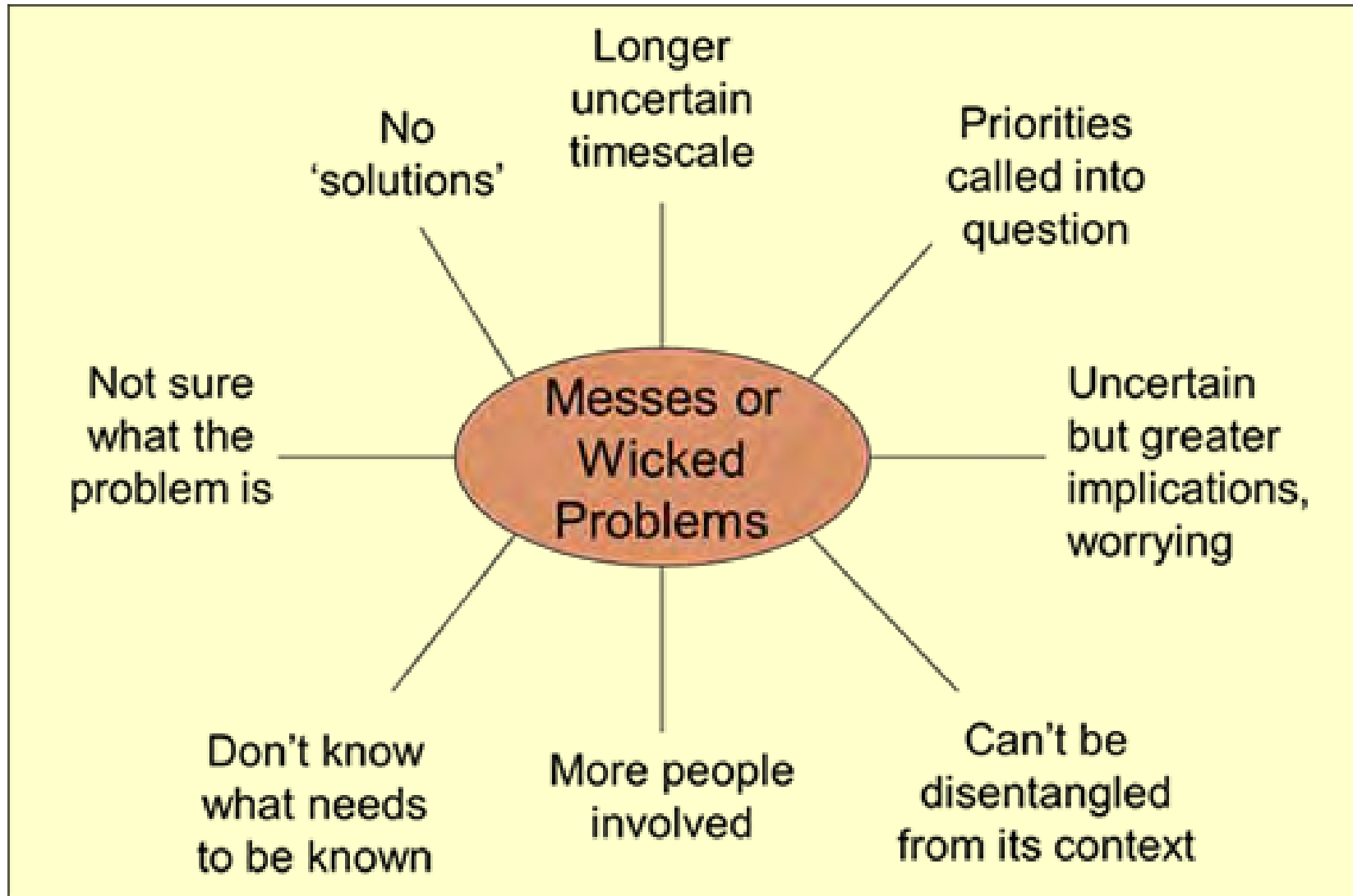


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Air pollution is an example of a wicked problem

The use of the term "wicked" here has come to denote resistance to resolution



Clean Air Aims

Wave 1 Analysis & Solutions (£19.6m)

Developing solutions to air pollution to help policymakers and businesses protect health and work towards a cleaner economy

- Drive forward new multidisciplinary research and innovation
- Leverage existing UK investments and enable a challenge-focussed multidisciplinary community to work together for the first time
- Inform implementation of the Clean Air Strategy and related strategies
- Develop new solutions to reduce emissions and protect public health, whilst avoiding perverse consequences

Intended outcomes

- Increased knowledge of future changes in sources, emissions and atmospheric processes
- Increased knowledge of exposure and health impacts of vulnerable groups of people
- Catalyse innovation in technology, business models & policy best practice
- Bring coherence to UK air quality research and policy

Wave 1 investments

- **Clean Air Champions** to maximise links across the programme, knowledge exchange, business convening, and links into international efforts, and start to refine the priorities for future investment
- Innovation funding competition for UK businesses with solutions to work on **product and service development**, and first deployments of technologies to tackle non-exhaust and non-road-vehicle air pollution
- Activities to network and leverage existing UKRI major, long-term strategic investments in order to support **intidisciplinary policy-relevant research** to underpin sustainable solutions for air quality
- Activities to develop a **systems framework for clean air analysis**

Innovation Competition

Develop and demonstrate new products or services which reduce the harmful emissions from one or more of:

- Road vehicle brake and tyre wear and/or road surface wear
- Non-road mobile machinery used for construction, such as excavators, bulldozers, front loaders, cranes and compressors
- Transport refrigeration units

Brake, tyre,
road wear

TRU

Construction
NRMM

Project

Auto-Align - Reducing Air Pollution through Measurement of Wheel Alignment (RL Capital)

Cool Run: Hubl's solution to multi-temperature last mile delivery (Hubl Logistics Ltd)

CAGE Clean Air Gas Engine (OakTec)

SHIELD: Series Hybrid-capable Intelligent Electric Loader Drive (Edrive engineering services Ltd)

Food Transport Refrigeration with Engine Exhaust and Metal Hydride Reactors (University of South Wales)

ENSO - Low-Emission Tyres for Improved Air Quality (Enso Tyres Ltd)

Multidisciplinary policy-relevant research

- **APEX**: An Air Pollution Exposure model to integrate protection of vulnerable groups into the UK Clean Air Programme. (Ben Barratt, MRC CEH)
- **ANTICIPATE**: Actively anticipating the unintended consequences on air quality of future public policies (Nigel Gilbert, CECAN)
- **DREaM**: Component-Specific Air pollutant Drivers of Disease Risk in Early to Midlife: a pathway approach (Ian Mudway, MRC CEH)
- **OSCA**: Integrated Research Observation System for Clean Air (Hugh Coe, NERC Air pollution supersites)
- **QUANT**: Quantification of Utility of Atmospheric Network Technologies. (Pete Edwards, NCAS)

SPF Clean Air Met Office Coordinated Work



External Projects

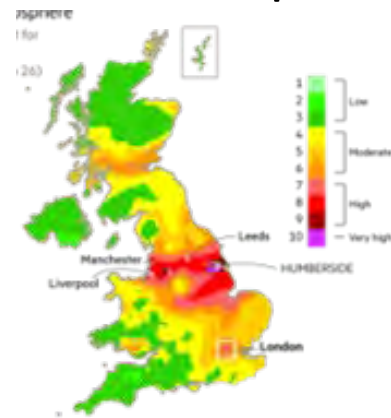
- NPL - Metrology of air quality measurements
- Recent calls for:
 - UK Community Emission Modelling System
 - Urban outdoor air quality modelling
 - Data integration model for exposure modelling



Met Office Internal Activities

- Community engagement & events
- Online framework for data discovery, use and analysis
- 12-month air quality flight campaign and model analysis
- 15-year UK air quality reanalysis
- New high resolution (~km grid length) national air quality forecast
- Urban numerical weather prediction (NWP) (~100 m grid length) for air quality

MetO aircraft – with AQ sensor load



UK forecasting/modelling



Overview of all projects





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Dr Ben Barratt

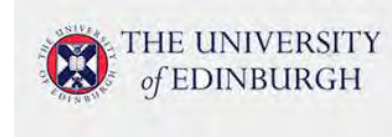


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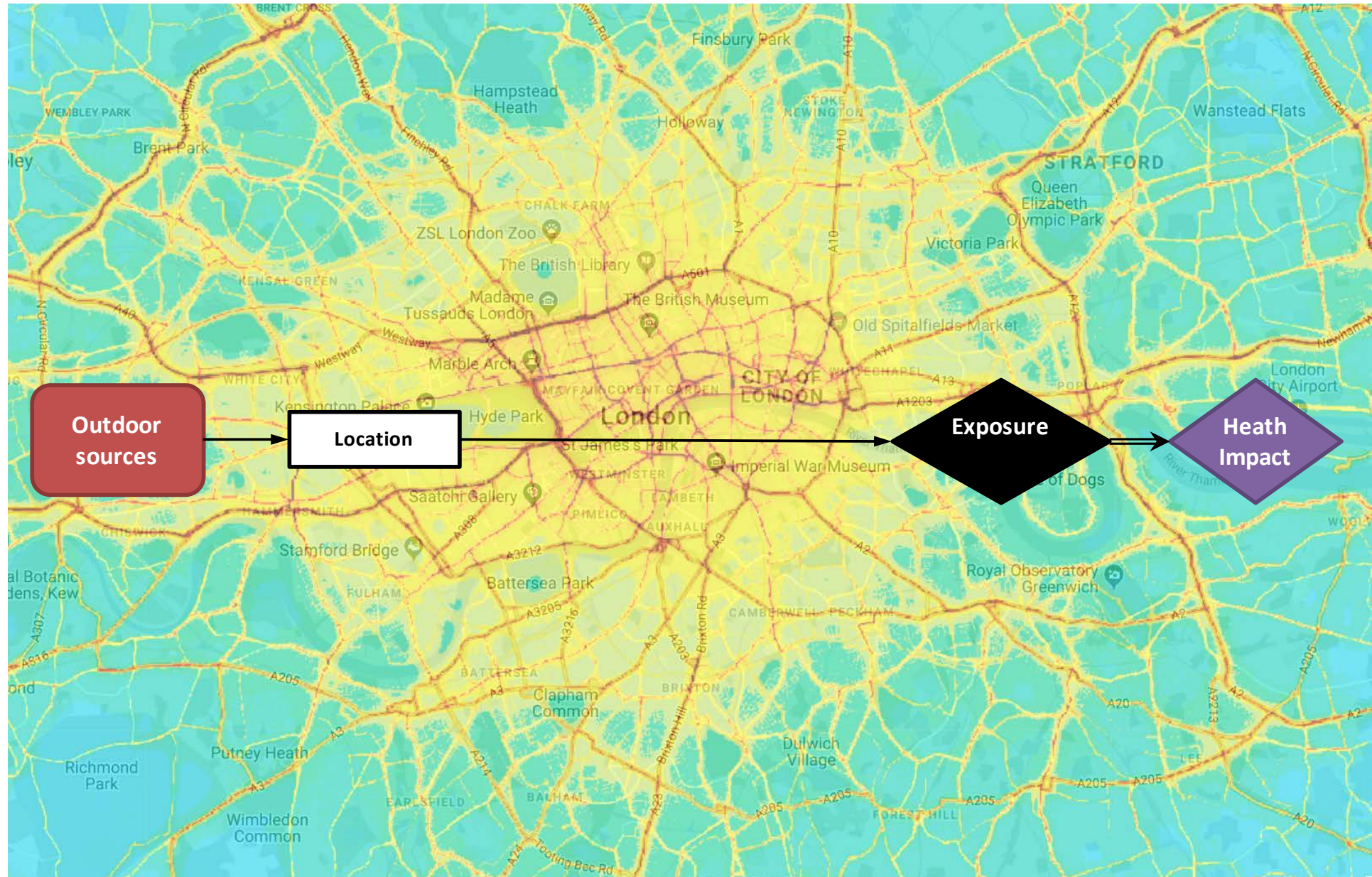


APEX: An Air Pollution Exposure model to integrate protection of vulnerable groups into the UK Clean Air Programme

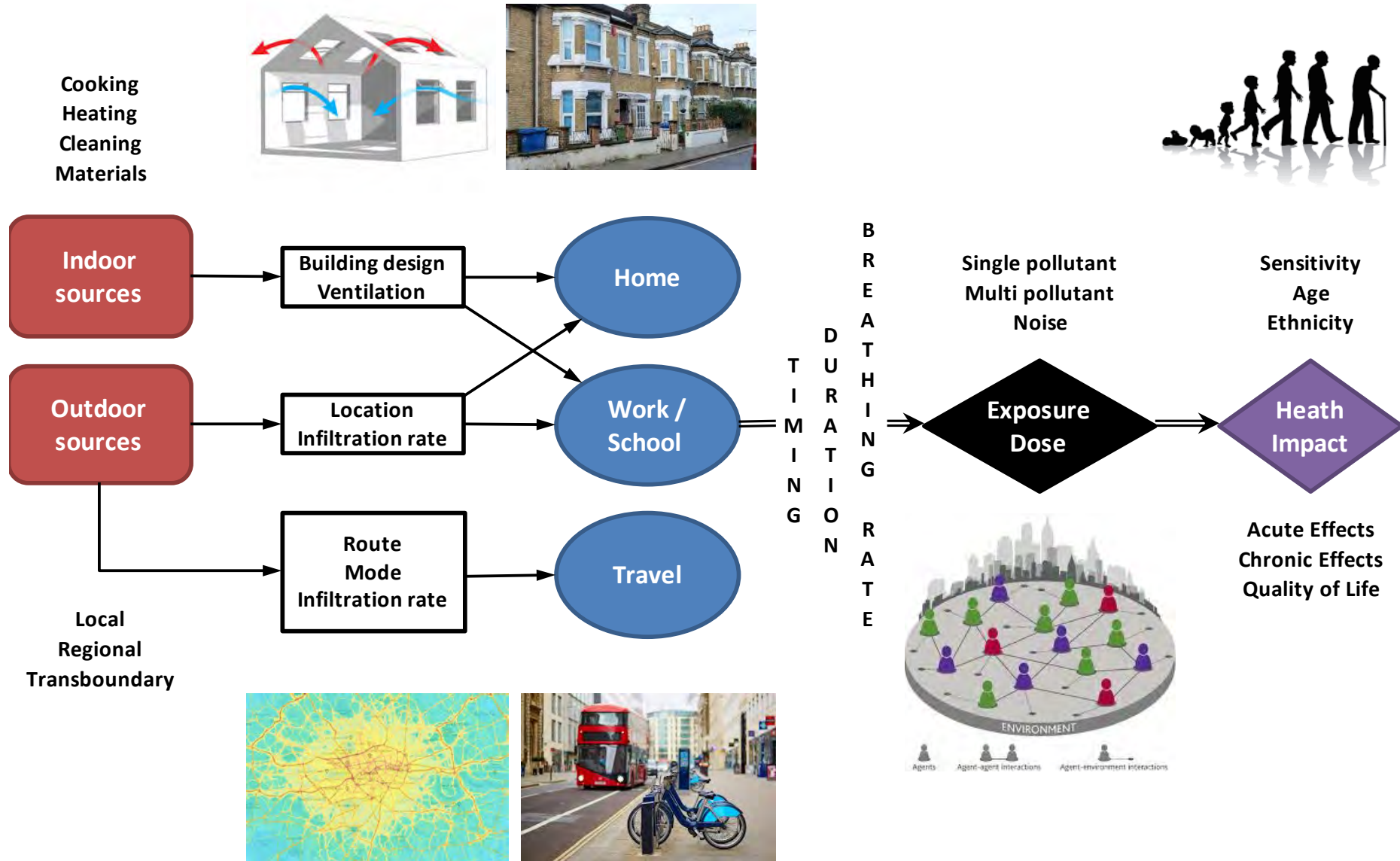


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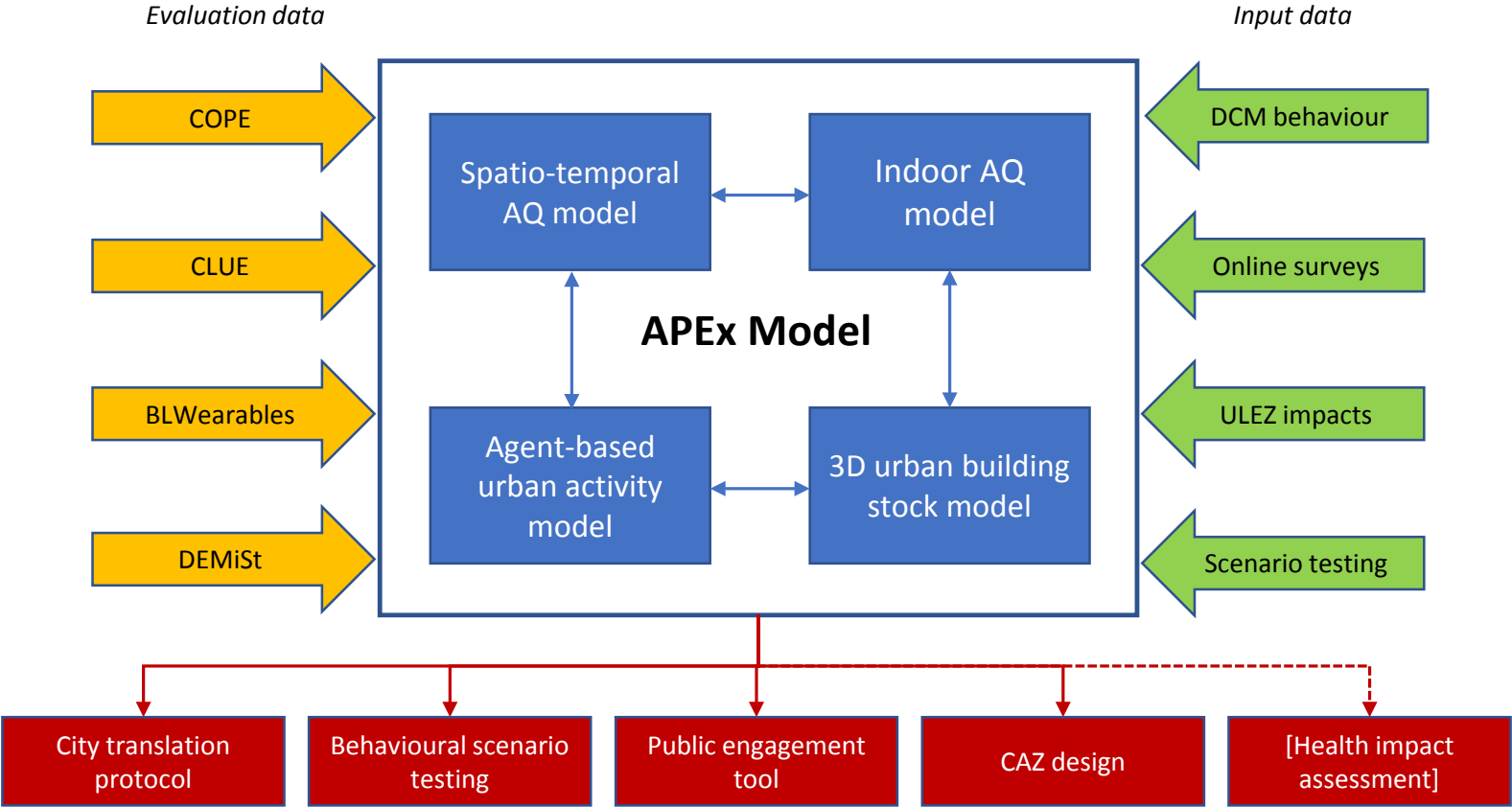
Ecological method of air quality management



How are we really exposed to air pollution?



A personalised air pollution exposure model that incorporates urban behaviour



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Integrated Research Observation System for Clean Air (OSCA)

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£2.3M Project as part of the UKRI CleanAir Wave 1 Programme
– Using important new infrastructure to deliver new insights into
the causes of air pollution and its transformation in urban air



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- O1:** To reduce uncertainty in the estimates of current real-world emissions of NO_x and PM from road transport, including both tailpipe and non-exhaust sources, using an observations based approach (**WPA; WPD**)
- O2:** To provide state-of-the-science understanding of current concentrations and trends in UK air pollution, including regulated species and the diverse range of precursors that lead to their secondary formation. (**WPB; WPC; WPD**)
- O3:** To develop new data and numerical analysis capability to identify the drivers behind changes in ambient air quality, particularly links to policy interventions (**WPB; WPC**)
- O4:** To quantify the contribution of key sources to urban pollution concentrations in London, Birmingham and Manchester, including woodsmoke and cooking emissions, and their responses to regional air quality policy interventions scheduled during the OSCA project (**WPB; WPC; WPD**)
- O5:** To provide a data resource and experimental platform to enable the application of further UK science capability to the wider UKRI SPF Clean Air Programme, and more widely to key national and regional stakeholders (**WPB; WPE**)

WPA: Emission measurements

- New non exhaust vehicle emissions measurements
- Leveraging existing platforms such as BT Tower to obtain NO_x fluxes



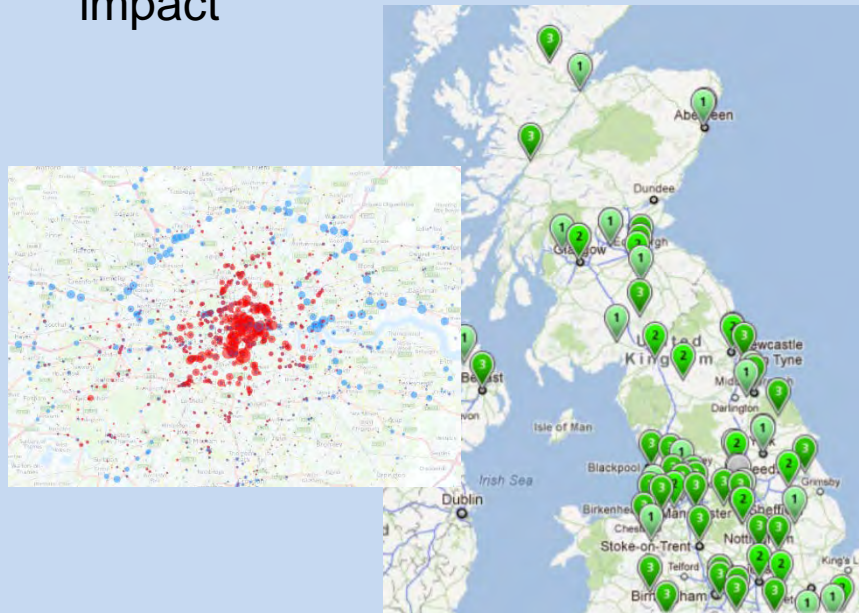
WPB: Measurement Infrastructure

- Maintaining and quality assuring NERC super-site investments



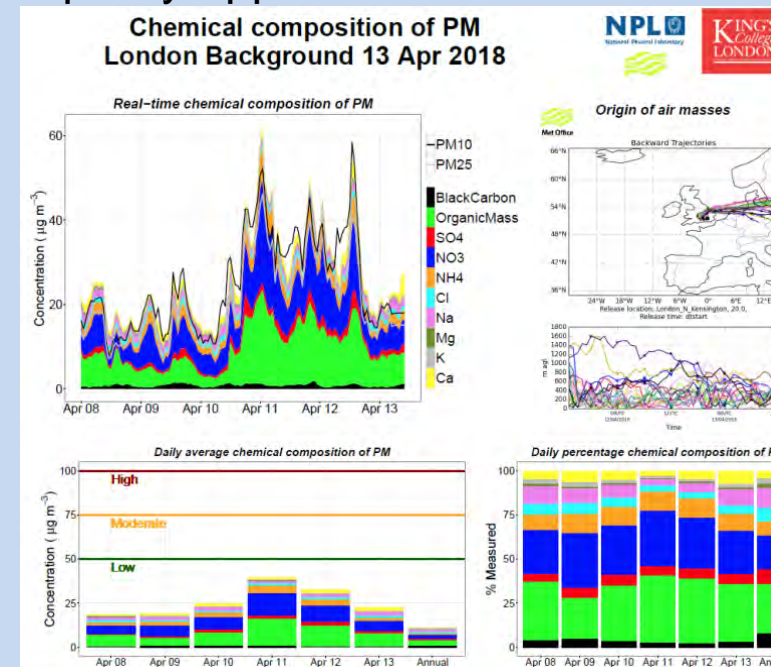
WPC: Data Mining

- Harmonized data sets
- New analysis of trends
- Development of potential tools for real time exploration of policy impact



WPD: Analysis and Insight

- Non-exhaust emissions
- Wood smoke
- Ammonia trends
- Contrasting potentially divergent policy approaches



WPE: Community Mobilization

- The UK AQ observation community is strong and highly collaborative
- OSCA provides platforms and resources to engage this community in the CleanAir programme



Data, Links and Impact

- Quality assurance to AURN standards
- Data uploaded in real time to www.ukatmosphere.org
- Data archived at CEDA
- QUANT baseline station
- Use of supersite data to inform DREaM
- Providing background information to APEX
- Close links to DEFRA through Moller and SAQN
- Links to DfT
- AQEG
- Close links to TfL, TfGM and WMCA



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ANTICIPATE

Actively anticipating the unintended consequences on air quality of future public policies



Project Aims

- Improve understanding of the unanticipated consequences of public policy on air quality
- Develop better methods to aid effective horizon scanning of future policies at the appraisal stage
- Provide access to a multidisciplinary community of academic expertise

Key Stakeholders

- National Government (i.e. Defra, BEIS, DoH&SC, MHCLG)
- Public bodies and agencies (i.e. NHS England, NHS digital services, General Medical Council)
- Devolved administrations and local authorities





Work plan

Work Package 1: Public policy horizon scanning

- Core strategy review and policy extraction
- NHS Long Term Plan, Clean Growth Strategy, 25-Year Environment Plan, Industrial strategy
- Selection of policy case studies by document review

Work Package 2: Policy exploration

- Utilise a range of methods, tools and techniques for detailed exploration of selected case study policies
Stakeholder mapping -> inception meeting -> exploration workshops -> dissemination



Work Package 3: Method evaluation and synthesis

- Evaluation of different policy exploration tools
 - Objectives and suitability for policymakers
 - Practicality
 - Time and Resource

Work Package 4: Managing relationships

- Foster interest and engagement and facilitate impact



Work Package 1: Strategy Review

- Detailed contextual, structural and content review including extraction of free text fields:
 - **Goal** – identified fiscal or outcome-related target
 - Example: *Every patient will have the right to choose digital first primary care*
 - **Strategy** – broad approach to achieve strategic goal/target
 - Example: *support the development of apps and online resources to support good health and enable recovery*
 - **Policy** – specified course of action to achieve overarching goal
 - Example: *The NHS App will create a standard online way for people to access the NH*
- All identified statements also coded by relationship to air quality (yes/no)



NHS App

Being tested in the NHS

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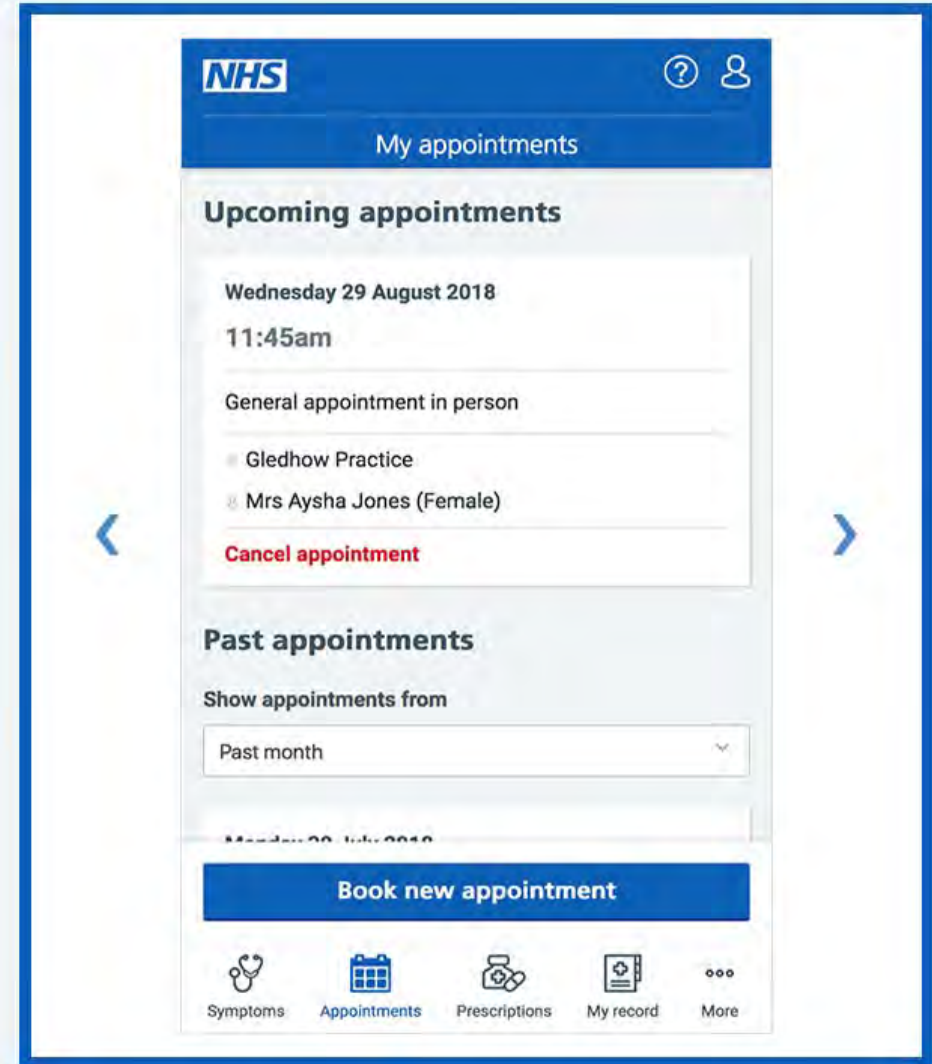
Free

The NHS App lets you book GP appointments, order repeat prescriptions and access a range of other healthcare services



The NHS App enables people to:

- Symptom checker
- NHS 111 online
- Register as an organ donor
- Control use of data choose for research and planning
- Book and manage appointments
- Order their repeat prescriptions
- View their GP medical record securely





Next steps

- System impacts and relevant stakeholders for each core strategy
- Inception & follow-on workshops
- Method evaluation

Project deliverables

- Methods manual
- Summary report and short briefing note per policy case study
- Stakeholder and system maps
- Final conference



A Green Future: Our 25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment





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Component-Specific Air pollutant Drivers of **Disease** Risk in **Early** to **Midlife**: a pathway approach



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Aim: *“In this study we aim to focus on early to mid-life exposures, as potential predictors of poor health outcomes in later life, by both linking air pollution exposures to known pre-clinical risk factors in both children (a group with established vulnerability to air pollution) and , as well as by examining epigenetic changes to DNA, triggered by environment stress.”*



WP2a: *“to develop innovative techniques to predict exposure of vulnerable groups and determine mechanistic pathways by which air pollution leads to health impacts.... (to) catalyse early research to decode molecular effects of life-long exposures on health through **identifying biomarkers of exposure** and effect from established cohorts”*

CHILL – ULEZ intervention study

Children’s Health in London and Luton



Population: Children aged 6-9 yrs old, recruited in 26 London primary schools (years 2, 3, 4) within the Central London ULEZ area

Intervention: Ultra Low Emission Zone

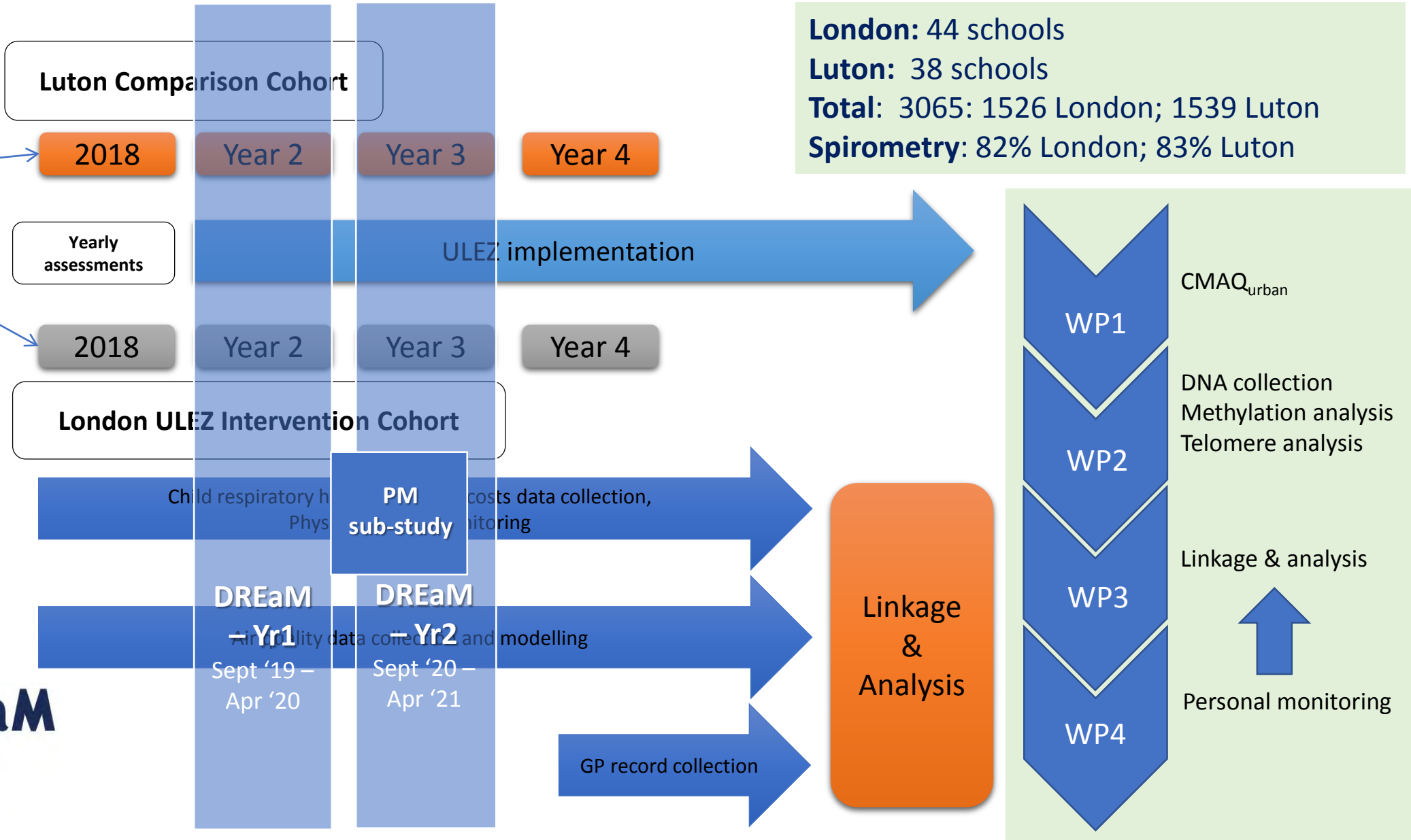
Comparison: Children aged 6-9 yrs old, recruited in 26 Luton primary schools (years 2, 3, 4)

Outcome:

PRIMARY: Lung growth (post-bronchodilator forced expiratory volume in one second, FEV₁)

SECONDARY: Air quality, forced vital capacity (FVC), health status (respiratory symptoms), respiratory infections, QOL, health care use, health costs

CHILL – DREaM enhancements





Occupational cohort of employees of 28 police forces from across Great Britain.

Recruitment and baseline assessment was performed between **2006-2012**, with follow-up between 2015-18.

At the end of 2012 the study had recruited 42,112 participants (63% male, mean age 40 ± 9 years), of whom 83.6% had attended a baseline health screening

Table 2
Clinical and biological measurements by gender^a.

	Women	Men	Total
<i>N</i> (%)	13,239 (37.6)	21,960 (62.4)	35,199 (100)
BMI (kg/m ²) (<i>n</i> =35,117)	26.1 (4.8)	28.1 (3.7)	27.3 (4.3)
BMI < 25 kg/m ² (%)	48.7	19.1	30.2
25 kg/m ² ≤ BMI < 30 kg/m ² (%)	33.9	54.6	46.8
BMI ≥ 30 kg/m ² (%)	17.3	26.3	23.0
WC (cm) (<i>n</i> =34,846)	82.3 (11.6)	94.8 (9.8)	90.1 (12.1)
WC < 80/94 cm (W/M) (%)	47.1	48.0	47.7
80/94 cm ≤ WC < 88/102 cm (W/M) (%)	24.8	30.4	28.3
WC ≥ 88/102 cm (W/M) (%)	28.0	21.6	24.0
SBP (mmHg) (<i>n</i> =35,131)	123.1 (14.1)	136.2 (13.6)	131.3 (15.2)
DBP (mmHg) (<i>n</i> =35,131)	76.6 (9.6)	81.8 (10.0)	79.8 (10.1)
Hypertension ^b (%)	14.2	38.8	29.5
Total cholesterol (mmol/l) (<i>n</i> =34,875)	5.1 (1.0)	5.4 (1.1)	5.3 (1.0)
Total cholesterol ≥ 5 mmol/l (%)	54.0	66.5	61.8
HDL (mmol/l) (<i>n</i> =34,829)	1.7 (0.4)	1.3 (0.3)	1.5 (0.4)
HDL ≤ 0.9 (%)	0.6	4.7	3.2
Haemoglobin (g/dl) (<i>n</i> =34,713)	13.2 (1.0)	15.0 (1.0)	14.3 (1.3)
Haemoglobin < 11.5/13 g/dl (W/M) (%)	3.6	1.5	2.3
HbA1c (%) (<i>n</i> =34,708)	5.6 (0.5)	5.6 (0.6)	5.6 (0.6)
HbA1c < 6% (%)	80.7	84.9	83.4
6% ≤ HbA1c < 6.5% (%)	15.6	11.9	13.3
HbA1c ≥ 6.5% (%)	3.7	3.2	3.4
C-reactive protein (mg/l) (<i>n</i> =28,924)	2.3 (3.4)	1.7 (2.7)	1.9 (3.0)
C-reactive protein ≥ 3 mg/l (%)	21.5	12.4	15.9
Abnormal ECC ^c (<i>n</i> =35,159) (%)	1.3	3.8	2.8

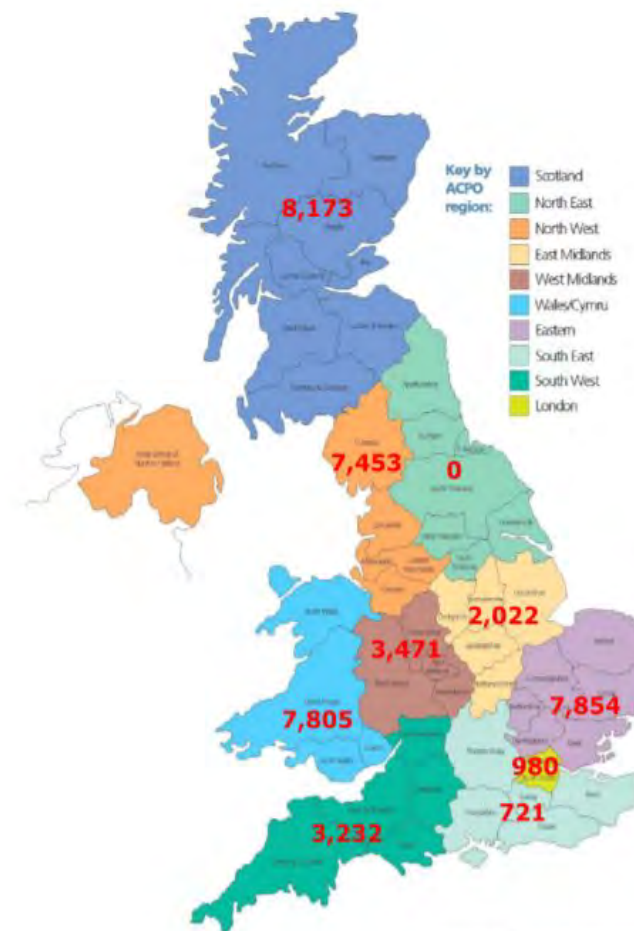
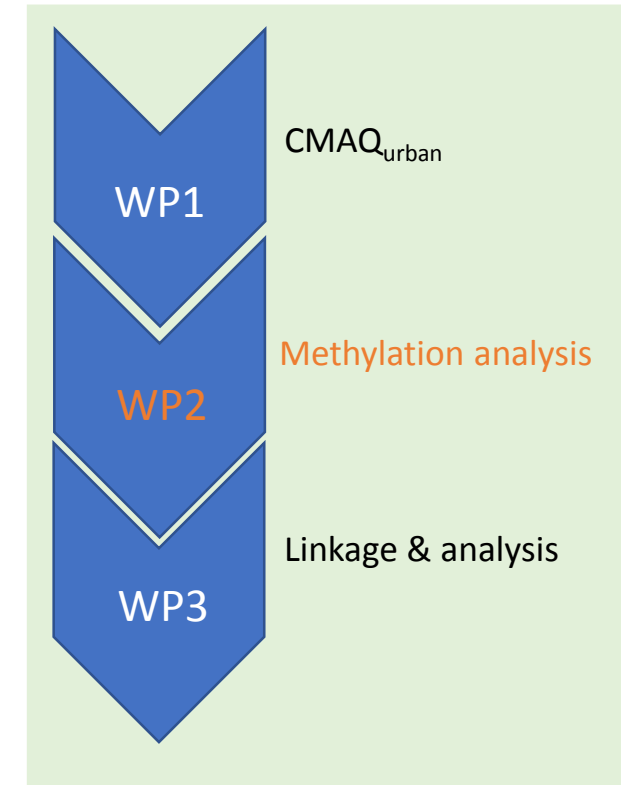
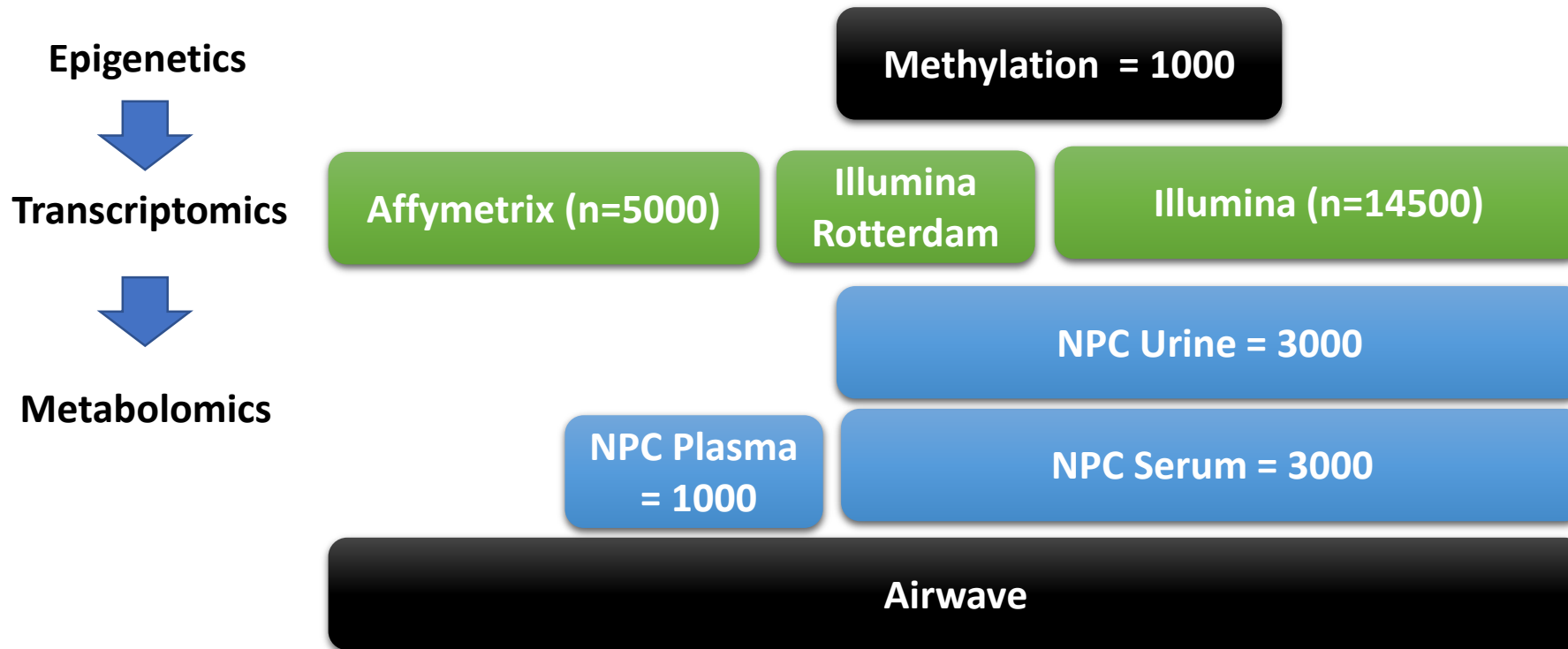


Fig. 2. (A) Cumulative enrolment from 2004 to 2012. (B) Enrolment per region by the end of 2012.

Available 'omic data within Airwave



Overall aims

1. To model high resolution exposure to pollutant gases and particles (including source specific fractions and components) for children within the Children's Health in London and Luton (CHILL) cohort and adults in the Airwave Health Monitoring Study (AIRWAVE), focusing on exposure intervals between 1-12 months (**WP1**).
2. To provide linkage of air pollution and geospatial data across both cohorts, including potential confounders (noise, green space and socioeconomic factors) of associations between the modelled pollutants and study endpoints at baseline and follow-up (**WP2-3**).
3. To perform personal exposure measurements on a subset of children within the CHILL cohort to provide data to interrogate the impact of acute exposures on lung function and transient epigenetic responses to air pollution. (**WP4**)
4. Analysis of the association of baseline clinical and blood biomarkers with air pollution measures across the complete AIRWAVE study (n=42,112). (**WP2**)
5. Identification of epigenetic signatures of long-term air pollution exposures in cohort participants. (**WP3**)
6. Examination of the association between markers of biological age; telomere attrition and age-related methylation changes with modelled long-term pollutant exposures (**WP2-3**) 111



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Quantification of Utility of Atmospheric Network Technologies (QUANT)

Assess and enable low-cost sensors for UK urban
air pollution monitoring and enhance the value of
low-cost sensor data for UK AQ challenges

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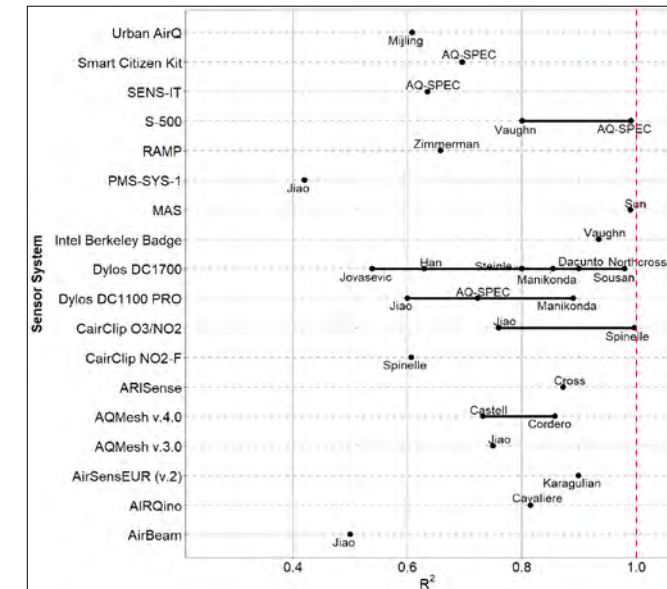


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QUANT – Work Package 1

Conduct a comprehensive and transparent assessment of commercial low-cost air pollution sensor devices in UK urban environments, and enable these technologies through the provision of real-world sensor test-bed infrastructure and data methods.

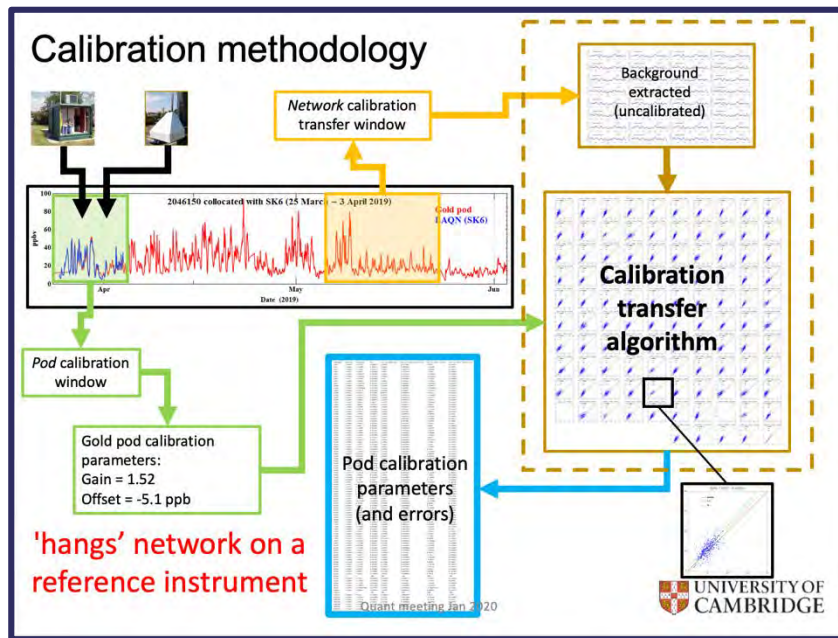
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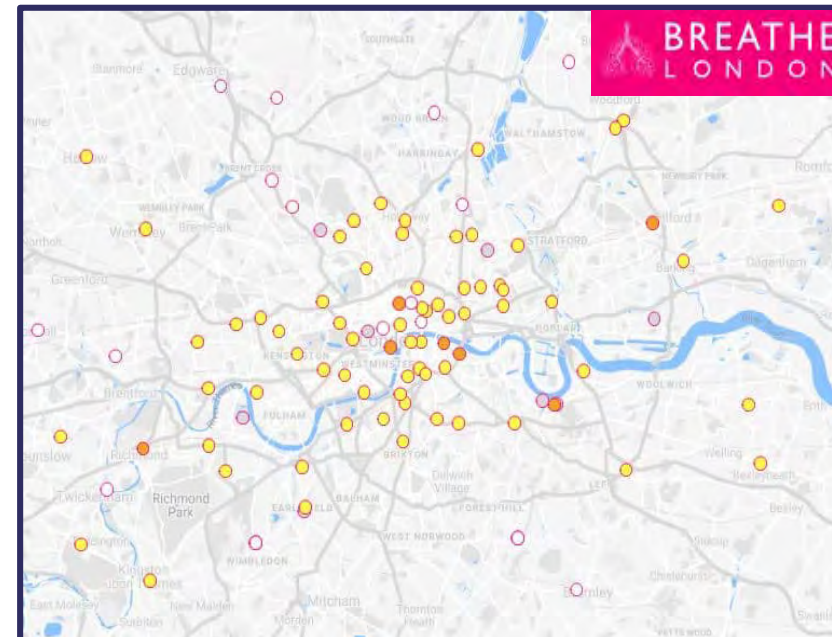
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“Review of sensors for air quality monitoring”
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QUANT – Work Package 2

Demonstrate the power of low-cost sensor networks for addressing key UK air pollution challenges, and provide the required methodologies to enable their use. (Cambridge lead)



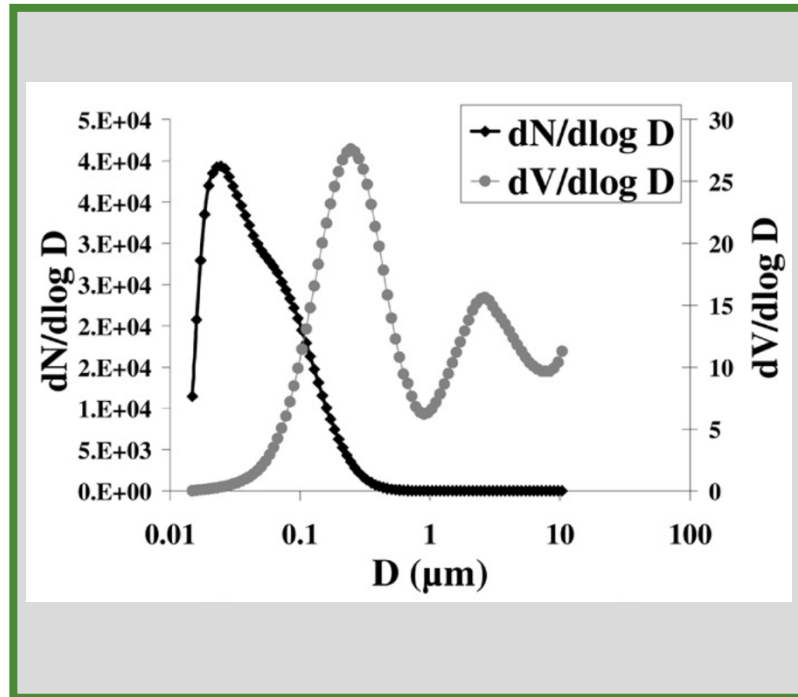
Cloud based network calibration methods



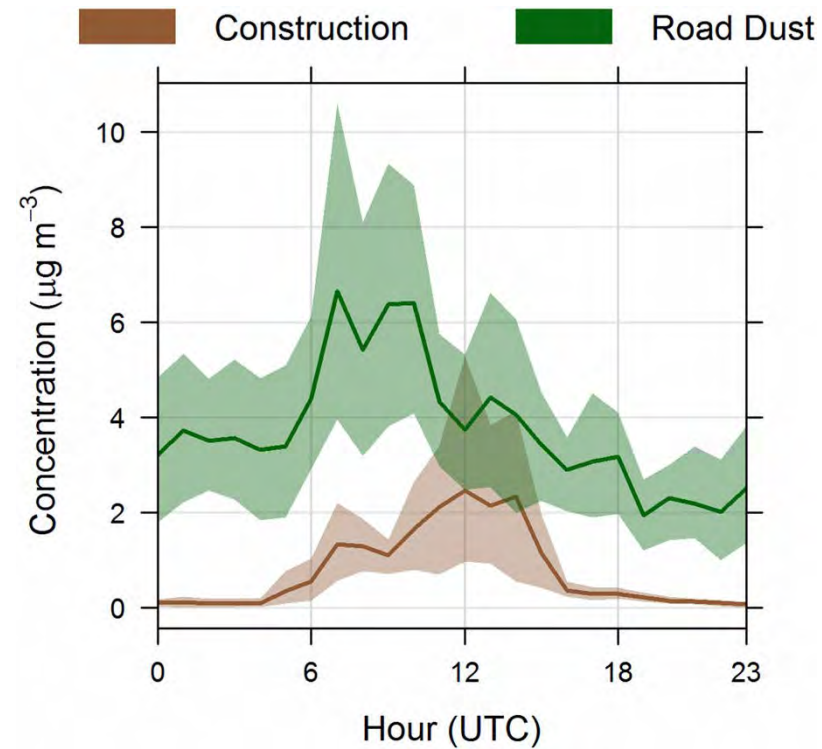
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QUANT – Work Package 3

Develop novel particulate matter source apportionment techniques that utilize low-cost sensor ensembles and provide key data to guide mitigation strategies.
(Birmingham lead)



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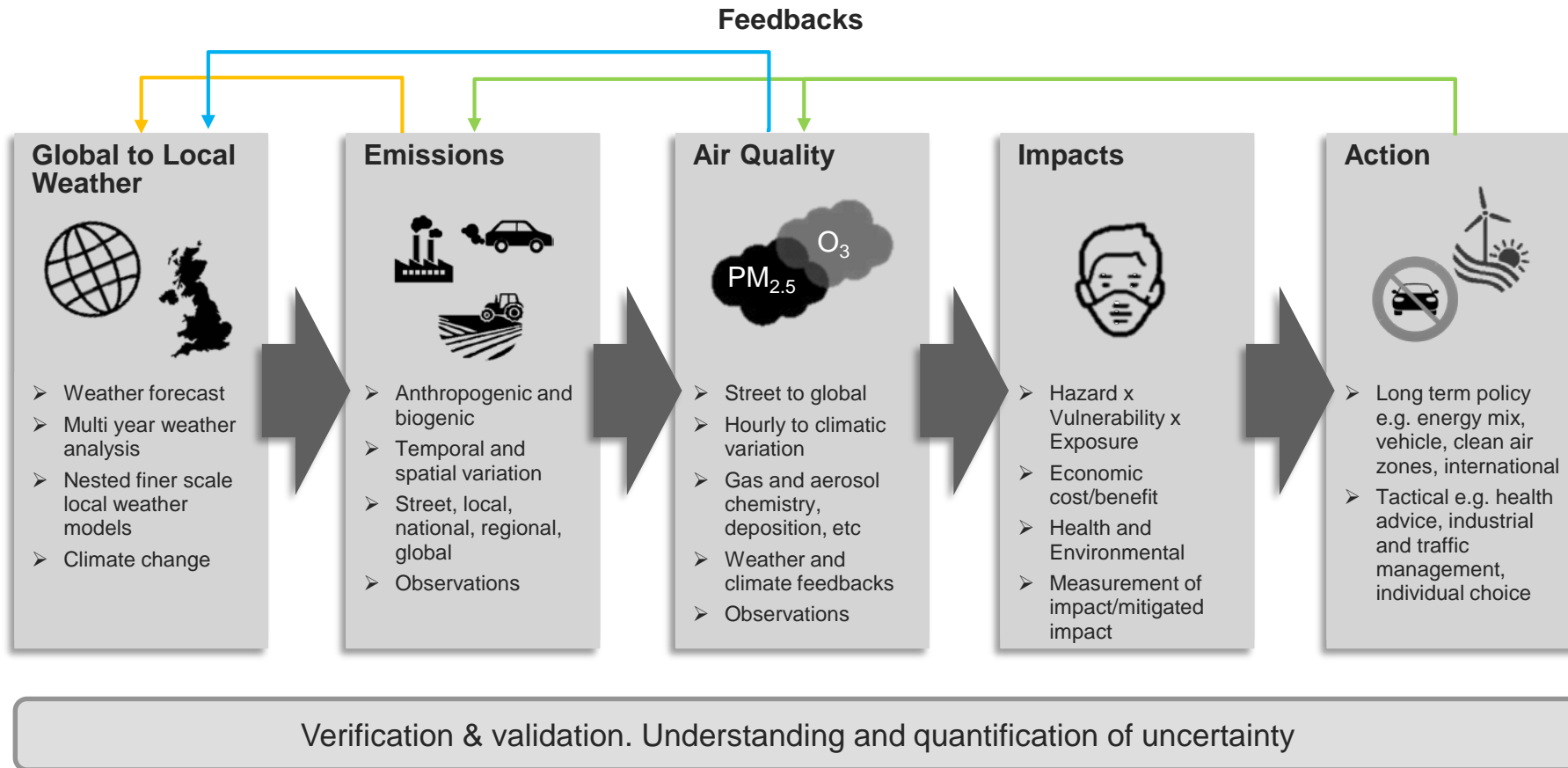
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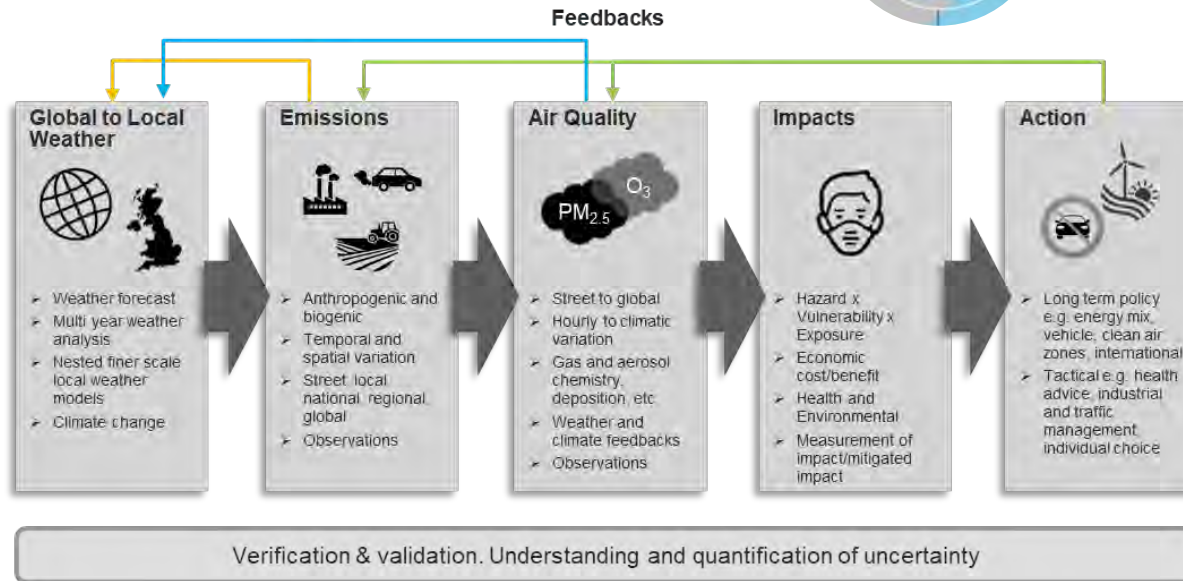
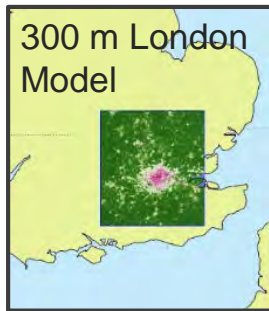
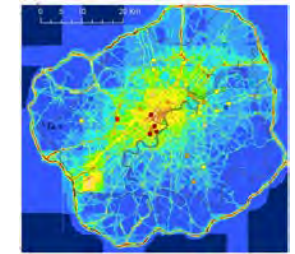
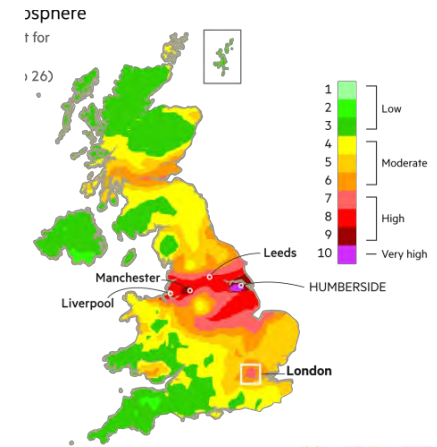
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Integrated Approach to Air Quality Risk: Linking models, data and policy



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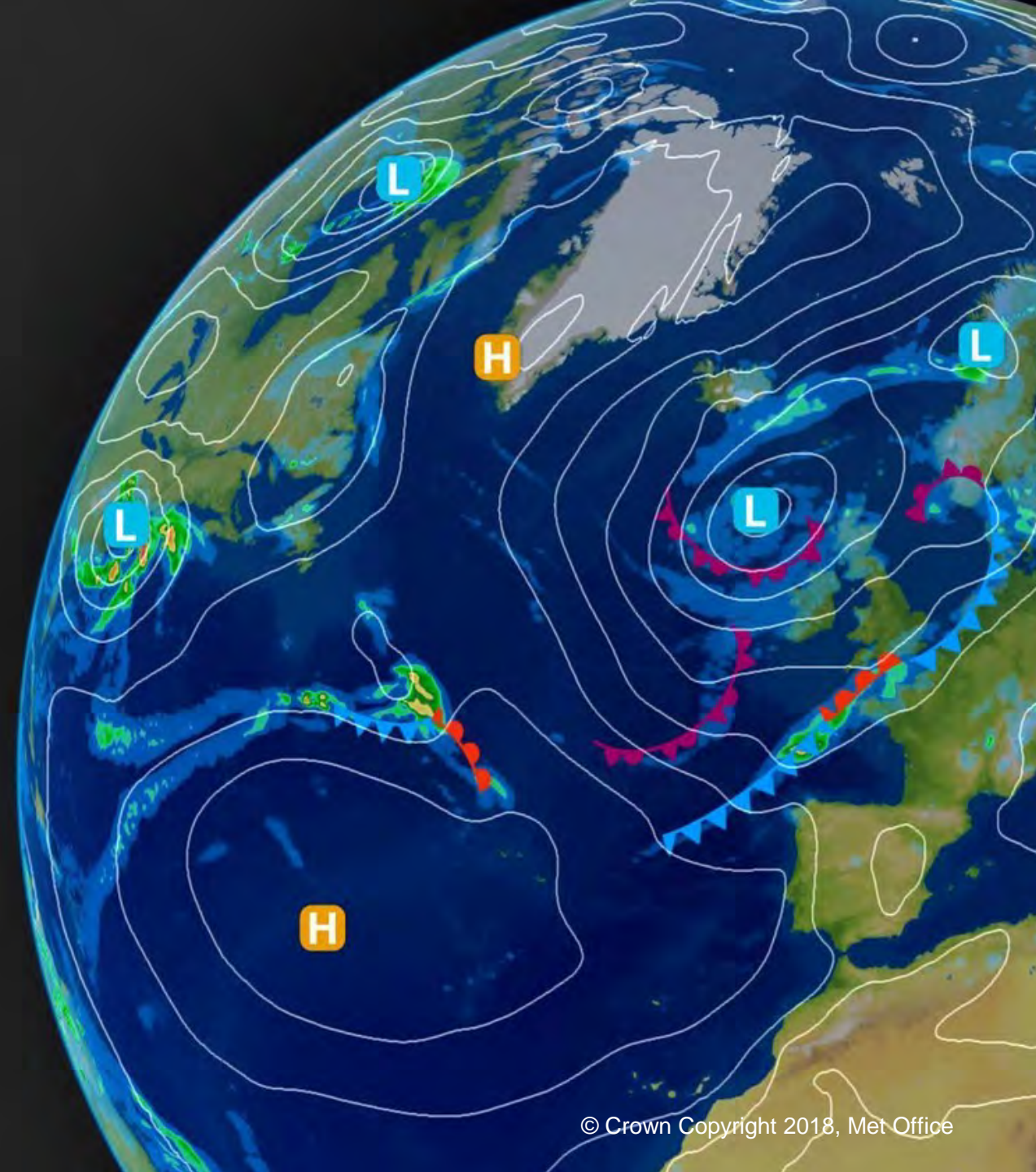
High Resolution NWP for Air Quality

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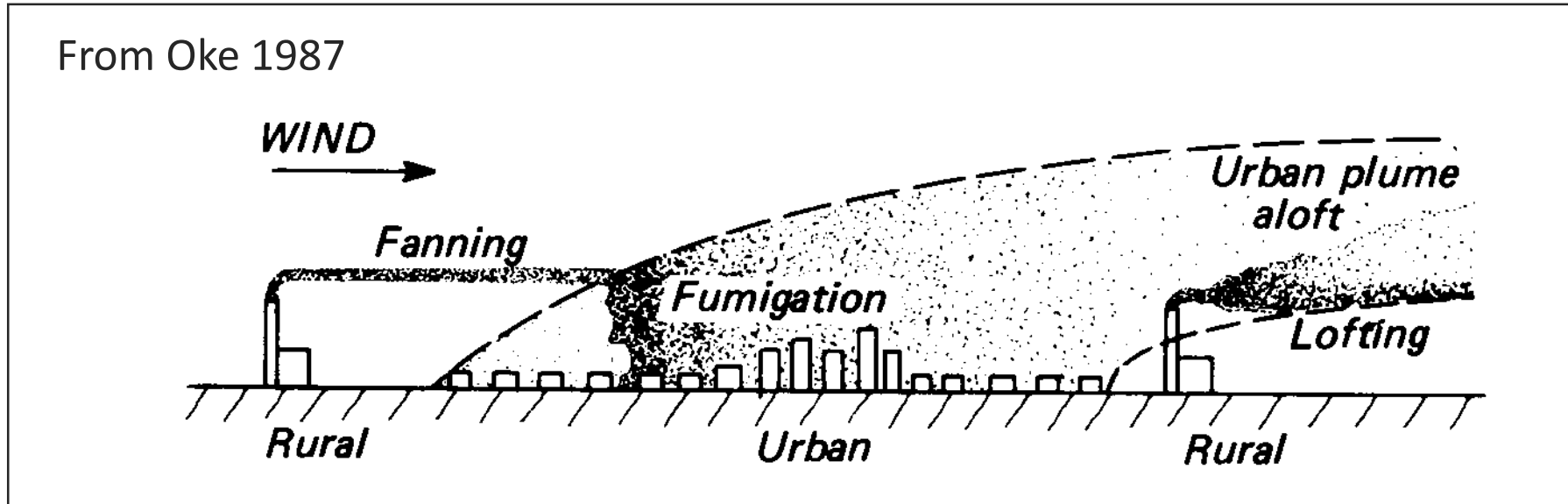
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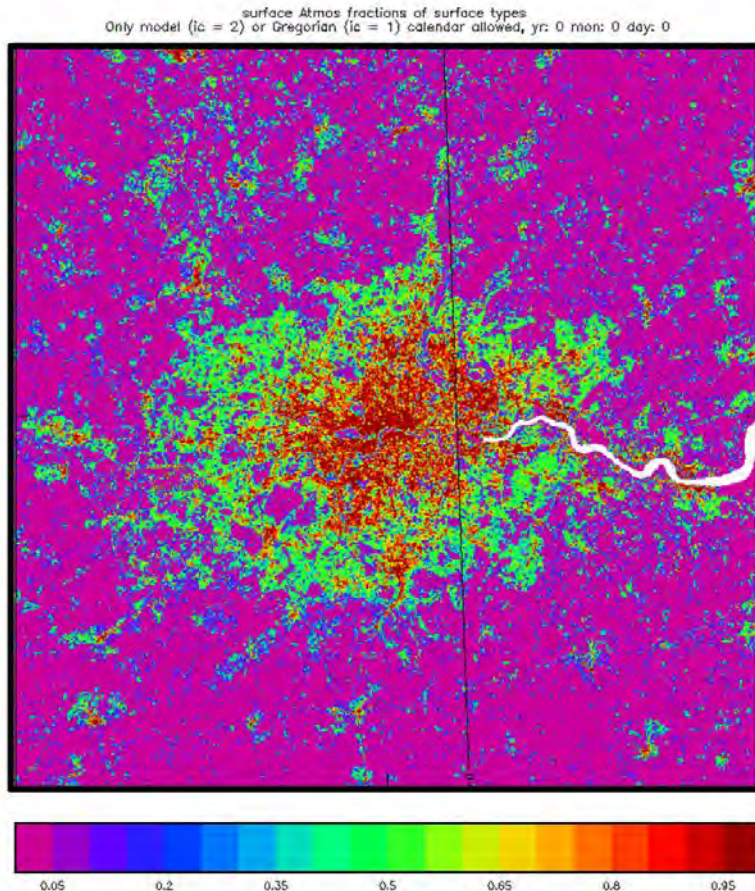
Why high resolution NWP?

Would like to forecast neighbourhood scale air quality.
Essential to know structure of boundary layer on these scales.

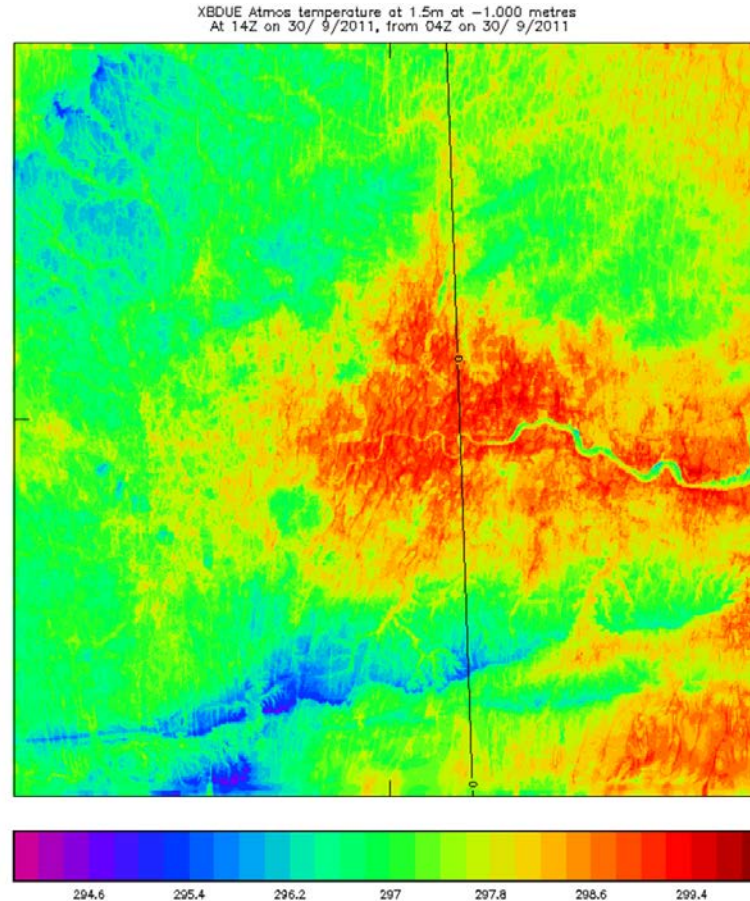


- Key issues are representation of urban surfaces and representation of partially resolved turbulence and how these affect transport of pollutants in the model.

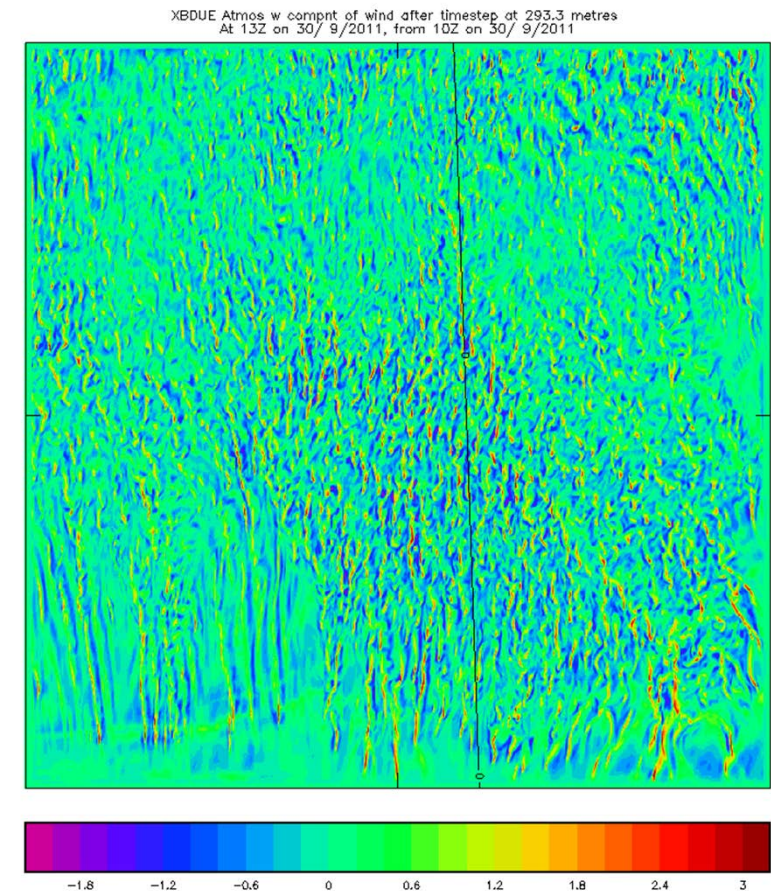
Urban Fraction



1.5m temperature



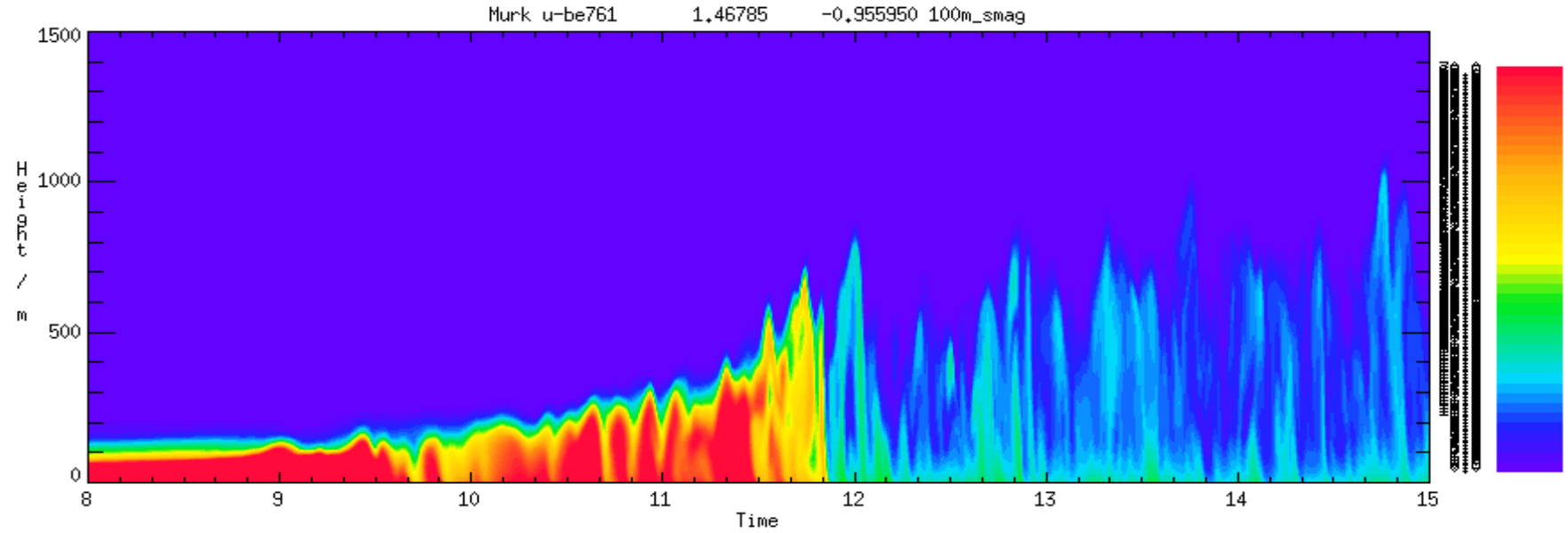
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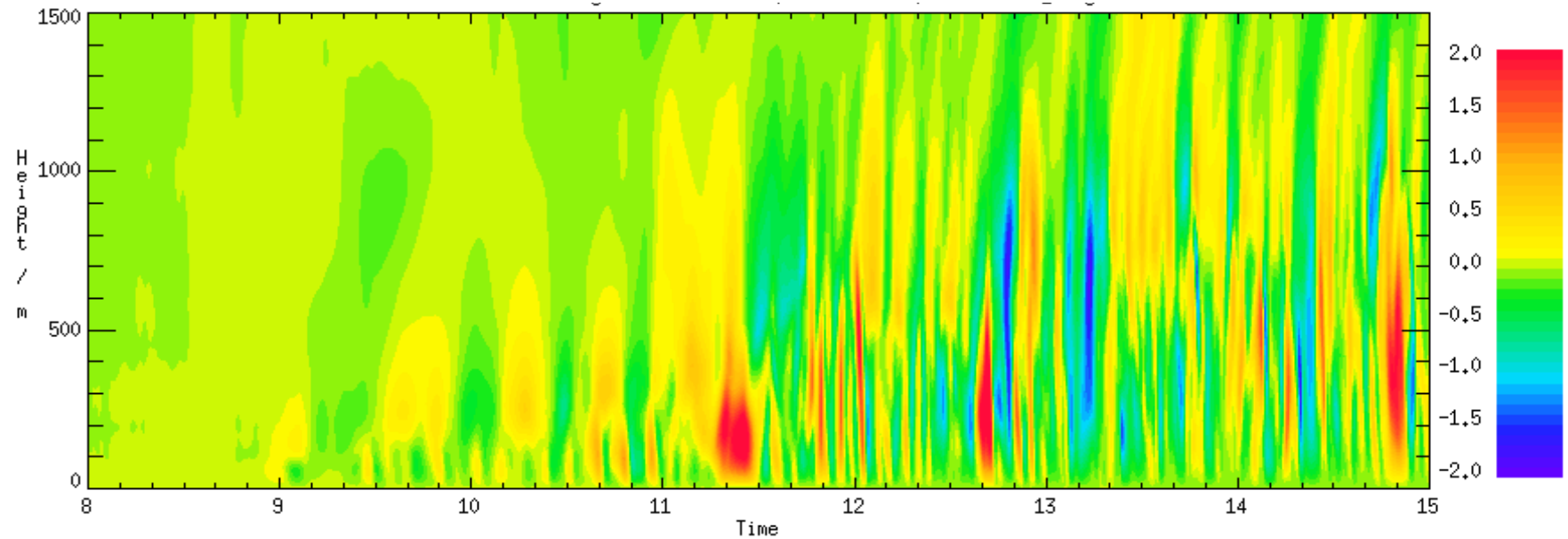
- Clear convective boundary layer case with southerly breeze.
- 1.5m Temperature follows surface characteristics.
- Model captures convective overturning (more pronounced over city).

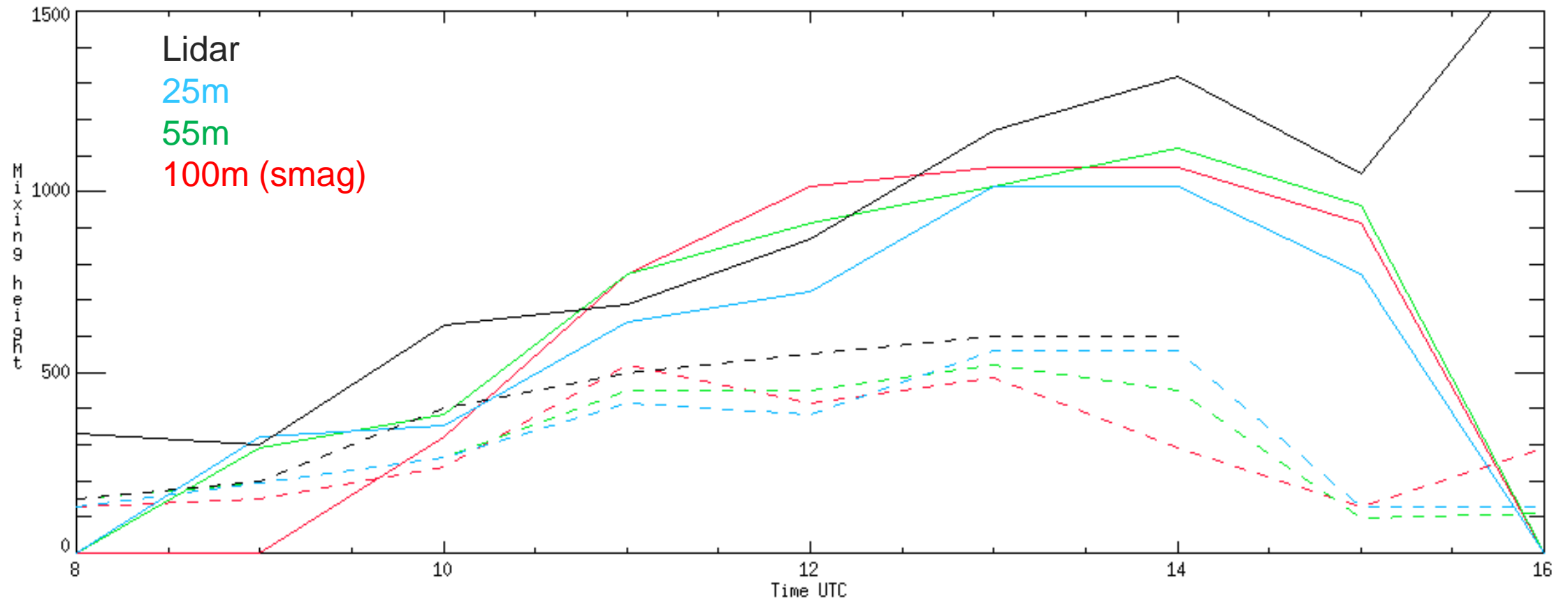
Growth of mixed layer in morning.

Murk aerosol



Vertical velocity





Solid lines – mixed layer height from $0.1 \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}$ variance threshold
 Dashed – height murk aerosol gets to.

100m model slow to start overturning. Important to correctly handle grey zone
 – see effect of 3d tke scheme

Poster also presents:

- New subgrid turbulence scheme for $O(100\text{m})$ models and how it copes with grey zone.
- Configuration improvements to routinely running 300m London Model.
- First look at 1km model including UKCA.
- Transport of tracers in 100m model.

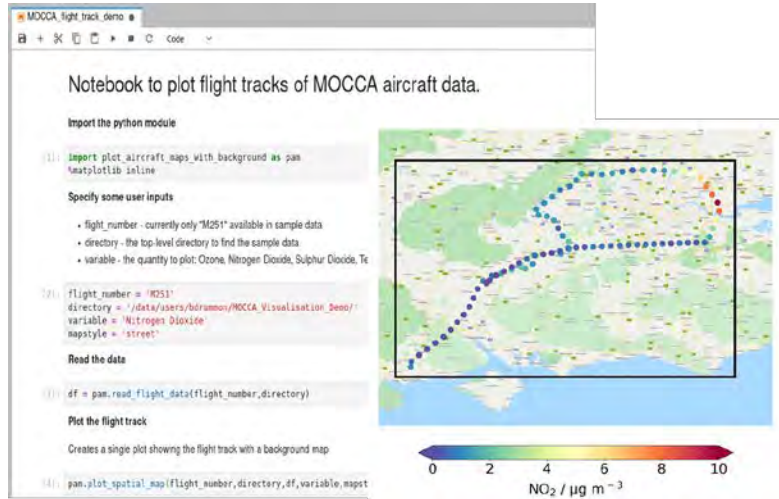
Dr Niall Robinson

Dr Rachel McInnes



A Flexible Framework for Clean Air Analyses

Rachel N. McInnes et al.



- Ambition to support and stimulate communities centred around this planned Clean Air 'Framework'.
- Aim to work with and connect to exciting and established activities in this arena.
- Driven by user-requirements.
- Used by diverse members of the Air Quality community.

Goals:

- Leverage and pull through science more effectively.
- Provide summary information products for a range of users.
- Enable discovery of, access to, and analysis across multiple datasets.
- Provide interactive capability to analyse and model aspects of Air Quality e.g. for health.

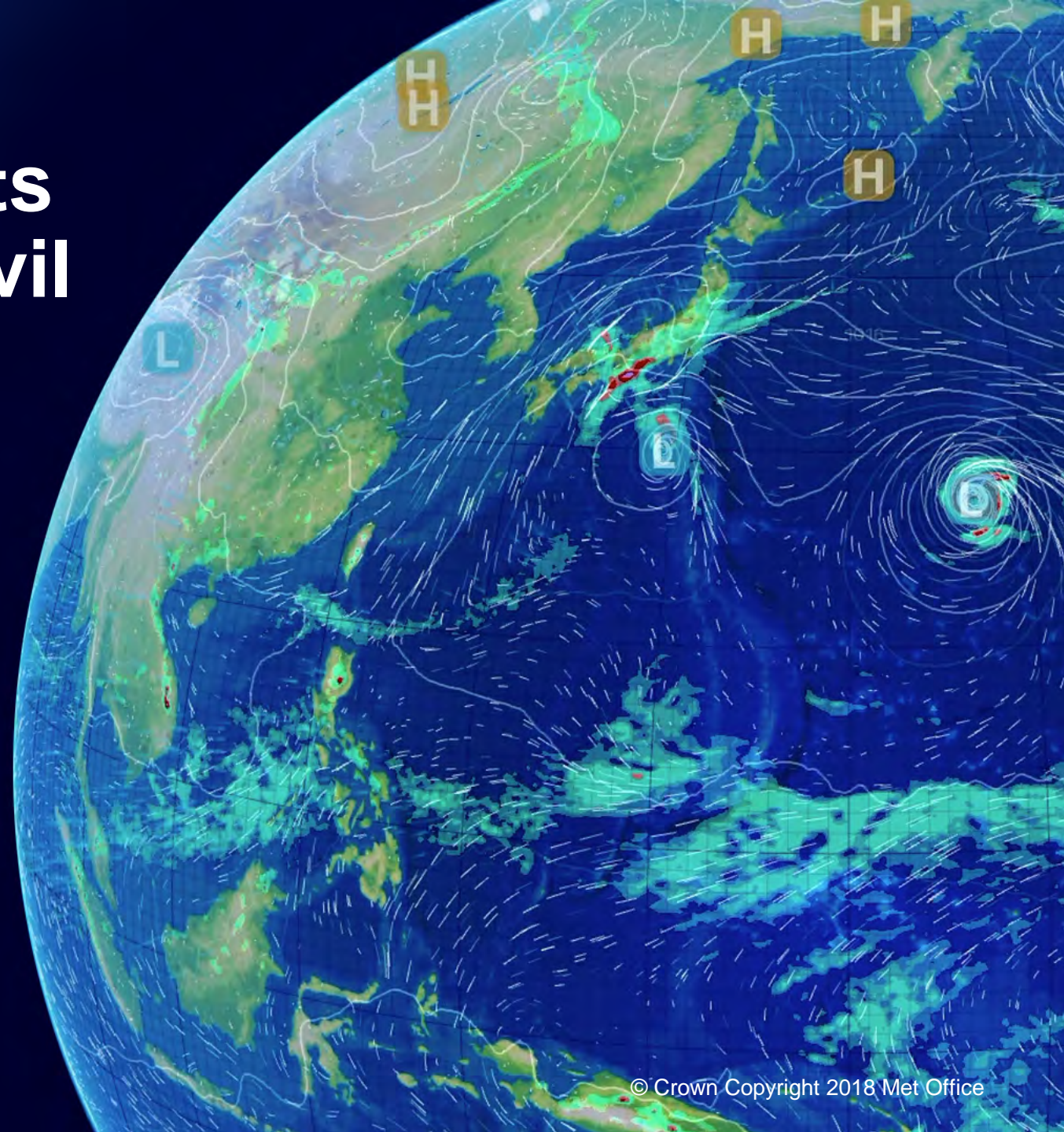


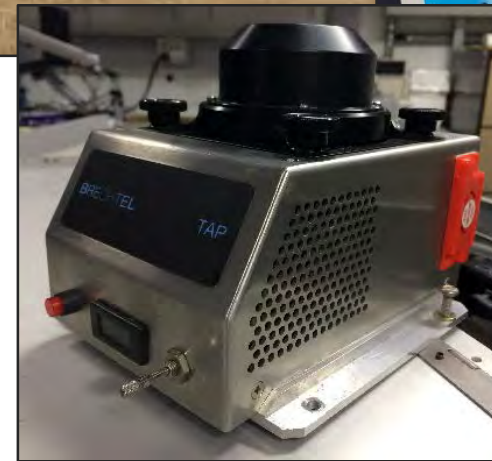
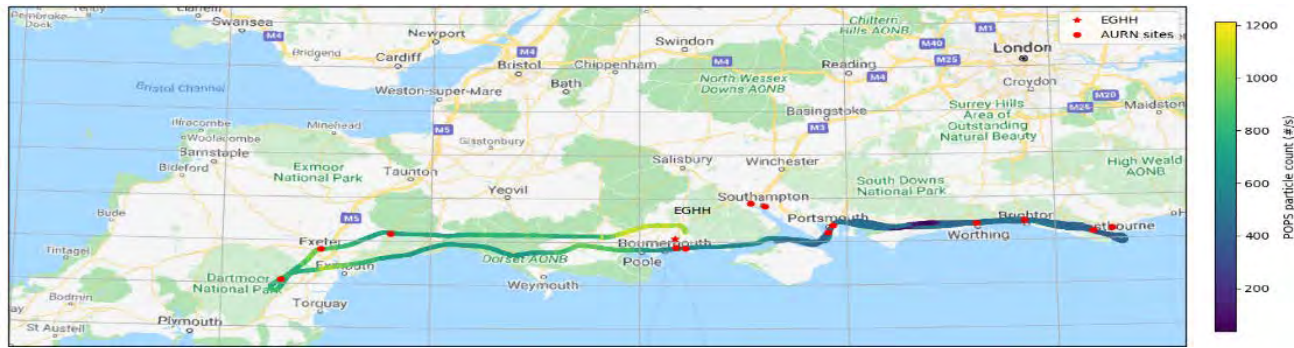
Mrs Angela Maynard



Clean Air measurements using the Met Office Civil Contingency Aircraft

Angela Mynard





Dr Eleanor Smith



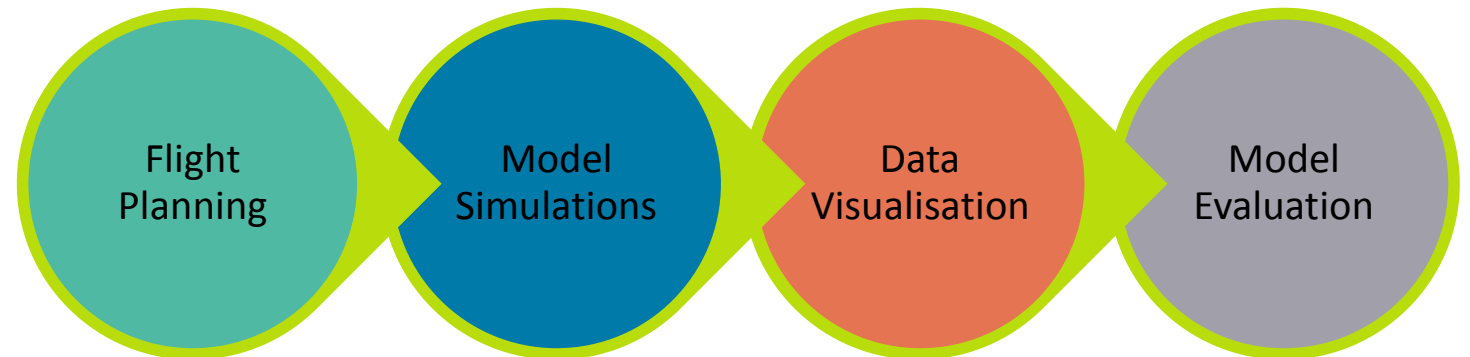
Evaluating air quality forecasts using airborne observations

Eleanor Smith et al.



Airborne observations from the Met Office Civil Contingencies Aircraft (MOCCA) will be used alongside the existing network of ground based observations to evaluate the national air quality forecasts produced by the Met Office and investigate model performance throughout the boundary layer.

Data and analysis code will be openly available.



Dr Benjamin Drummmond

(presented by Dr Eleanor Smith)

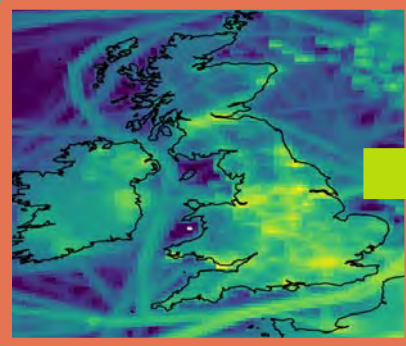


Future air quality services: High resolution forecasts and reanalysis

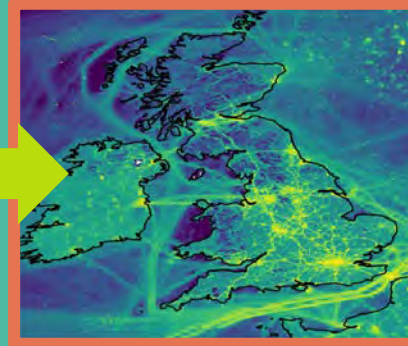
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High resolution air quality forecasting

Current Resolution

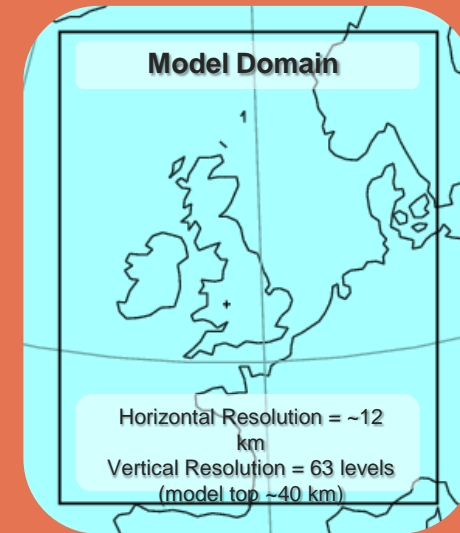


New Resolution



A kilometre-scale UK operational air quality forecast model to bridge the gap between the regional and urban scales

Reanalysis of UK atmospheric composition



A 15 year, 3-dimensional, hourly data set of atmospheric composition over the UK

Dr David Carruthers



Coupled national and local scale air quality modelling



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Requirement

- “High resolution prediction capability to support personal exposure for health impacts, through national and local model developments” (objective of Work Package 2B within the SPF Clean Air Programme)

Science

- Development & evaluation of a coupled air quality modelling system spanning national to urban street scales
- Flexible modular system linking advanced widely used regional chemical transport & local models
- Accounts for physical & chemical processes occurring at all relevant spatial and temporal scales
- Includes a verification system for validation of model predictions

Community

- An open structure free at the point of use facilitating system development and modification by stakeholders
- Available to the UK research community via the SPF Clean Air Framework platform
- Compatibility with associated SPF projects “UK Emissions Modelling System” and “Air Quality Exposure Modelling”



Coupled national and local scale air quality modelling

LOCAL MODEL COMPONENT

- Pollutant concentration estimates are needed at resolutions of a few metres at roadside locations in urban areas to assess population exposure accurately
- At short times, local-scale models capture fine details of dispersion and fast chemistry
- Open access road source tool: **ADMS-Local** (based on ADMS-Urban)

REGION MODEL COMPONENT

- Regional pollution levels contribute significantly to pollution levels in urban areas
- Eulerian chemical transport models (CTMs) model regional and global pollutant transport and complex atmospheric chemistry
- Range of RM options to include: **CMAQ, CAMx, EMEP, WRF-Chem & UKCA (tbc)**

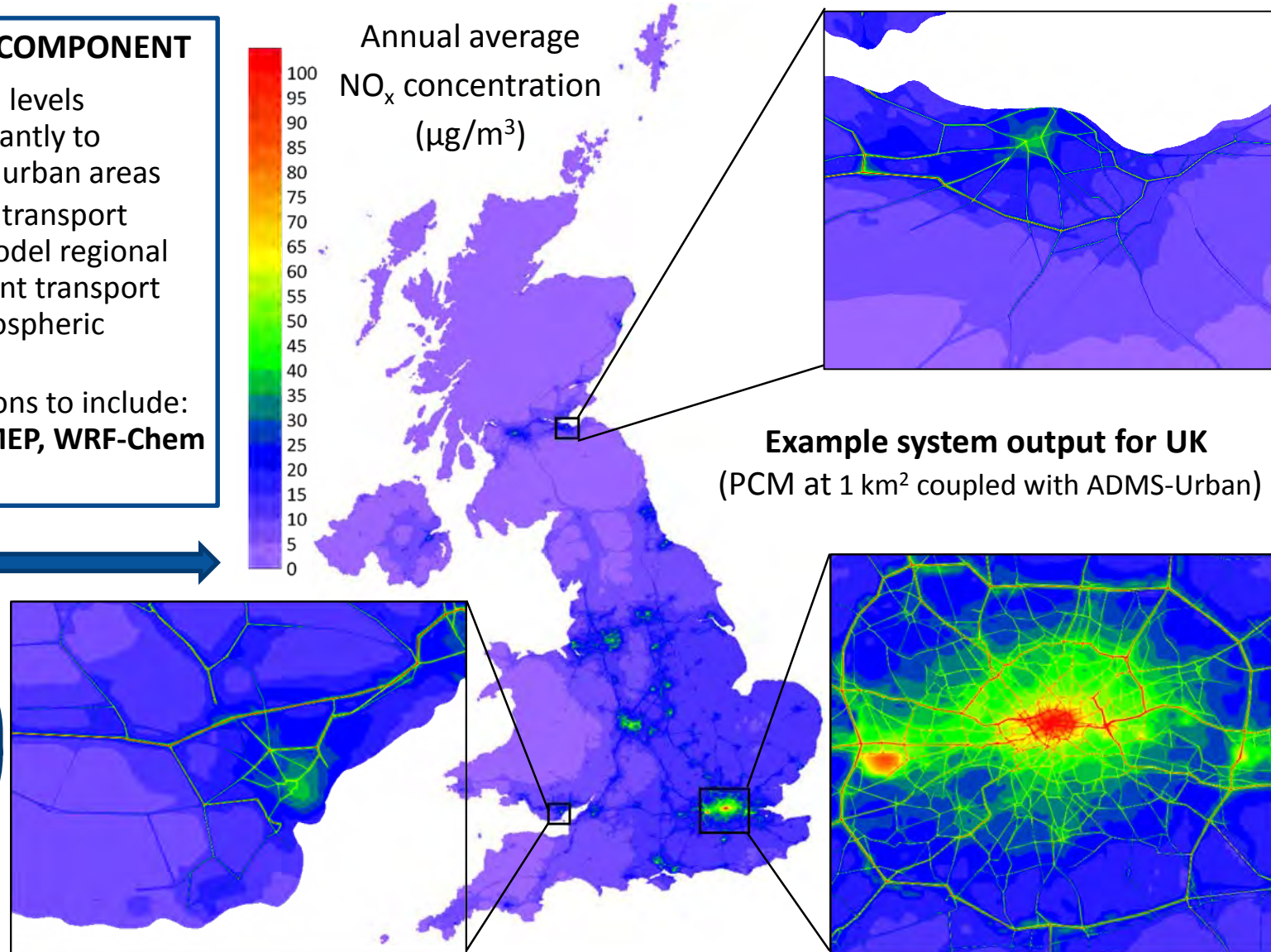
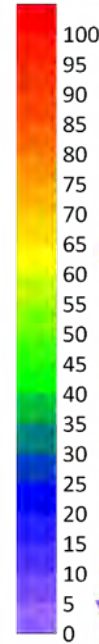
COUPLED SYSTEM

- Local-scale and regional models must be coupled within a single system
- Computational linkage complexities include avoidance of double counting emissions + chemistry

VERIFICATION SYSTEM

- Automated comparisons of modelled / measured

Annual average
NO_x concentration
(µg/m³)



Example system output for UK
(PCM at 1 km² coupled with ADMS-Urban)

Coupled national and local scale air quality modelling

PROJECT OVERVIEW

- Close liaison with Met Office
- Stakeholder engagement
- Project team comprises CERC with expertise in software development, support and application of local dispersion models (ADMS), in addition to regional modelling experts from academia

Stakeholder engagement I

- Stakeholder requirements *Workshop 1*
- User requirements summary

System design & development

- Design derived from user requirements
- Local model, coupled system & verification tool

Testing phase

- Project partners test system components
- System modifications

Stakeholder engagement II

- System demonstration *Workshop 2*
- Stakeholders & project partners use model
- Results presented at *Workshop 3*
- System refinements & release
- Publications and reports

Professor Stefan Reis

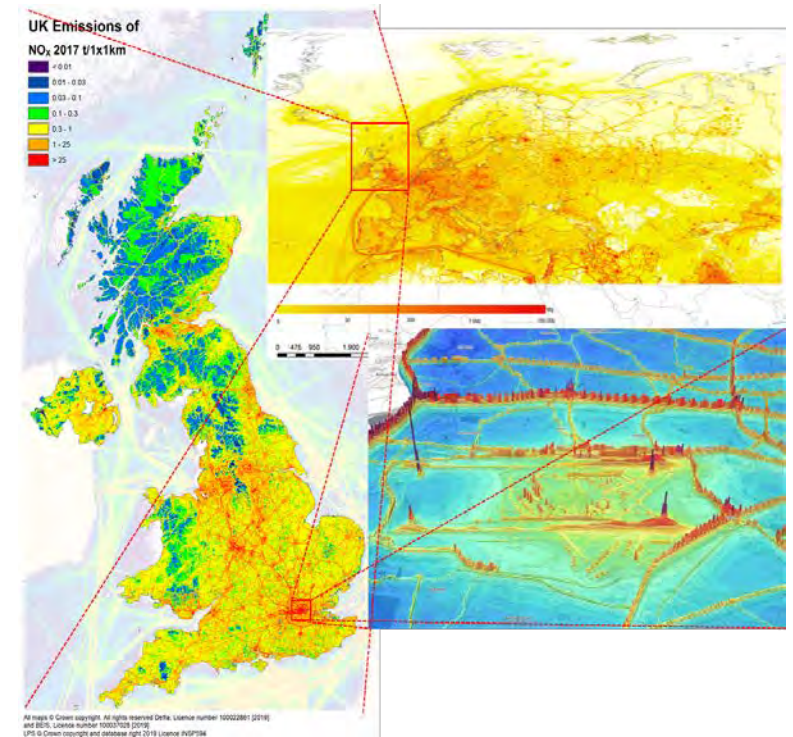


Developing a UK Community Emission Modelling System (DUKEMS)

UKRI SPF Wave 1 – UK MetOffice CA19/3:
Clean Air Programme - UK Emissions Modelling System

Key deliverables

- **D1:** An **operational framework** for a flexible, scalable and future-proof community Emission Modelling System (EMS) implemented on JASMIN
- **D2:** A process for a **community-driven, co-designed** UK-EMS enabling the atmospheric modelling community to **generate emission input data at the spatial, temporal and substance resolution required** for a wide range of use cases
- **D3:** An open, accessible **system and demonstrators for the integration of novel emission calculation methods**, including approaches for future expansion.
- **D4:** The operational **integration of anthropogenic and biogenic emissions** into consolidated output datasets.
- **D5:** A consistent approach for the provision of **temporally and spatially resolved emission data** across a range of scales.
- **D6:** A demonstrated **output generation process for frequently used data formats**, including meta-data and supporting documentation of the calculations included, and **open for future extension to new formats**.



The core objectives are the delivery of a **framework and tools** designed to be operational long term in supporting the atmospheric modelling community by providing a flexible, user-friendly system to deliver **emission input data** for modelling in a **transparent, traceable and reproducible** manner.

Professor Gavin Shaddick





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DATA INTEGRATION MODEL FOR EXPOSURE MODELLING (DIMEX-UK)

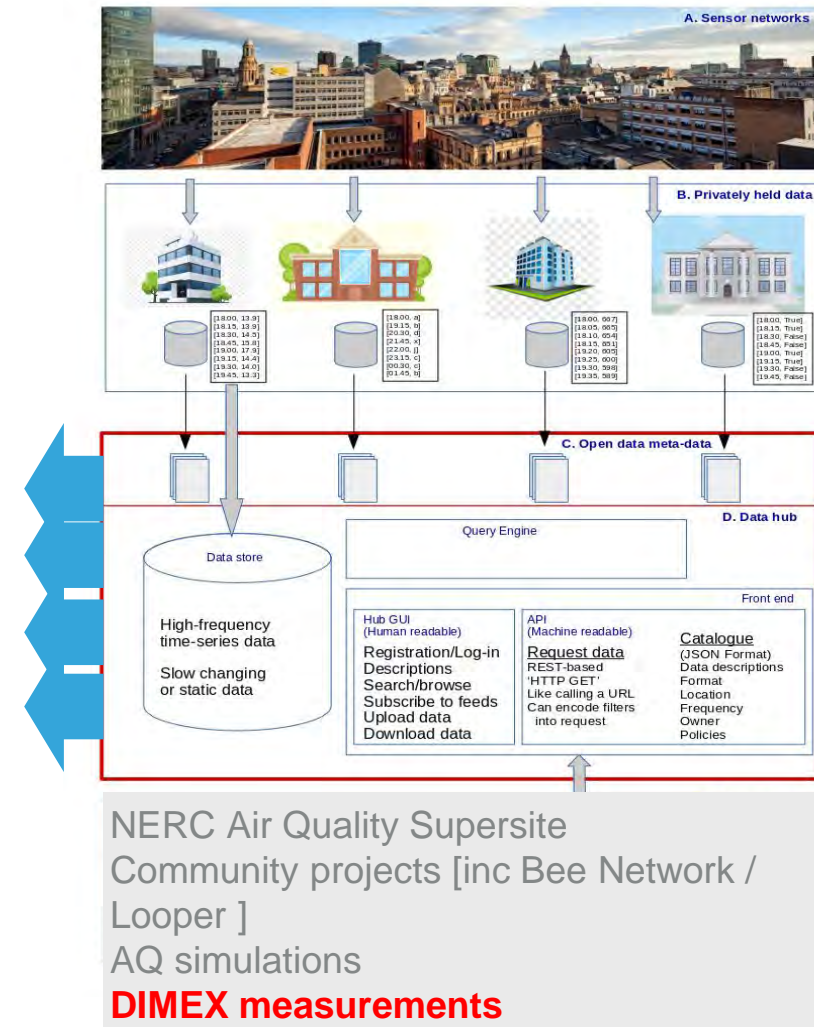
DATA INTEGRATION MODEL FOR EXPOSURE MODELLING

- ▶ **Aim: Estimate personal exposures to air pollution**
- ▶ Combine activity data with spatio-temporal estimates of air pollution
 - ▶ Agent based modelling
 - ▶ Simulate the daily exposure of different population groups
- ▶ Framework for integrating data from different sources
 - ▶ Bayesian hierarchical model
 - ▶ Measures of uncertainty
- ▶ Evaluation

VALIDATION

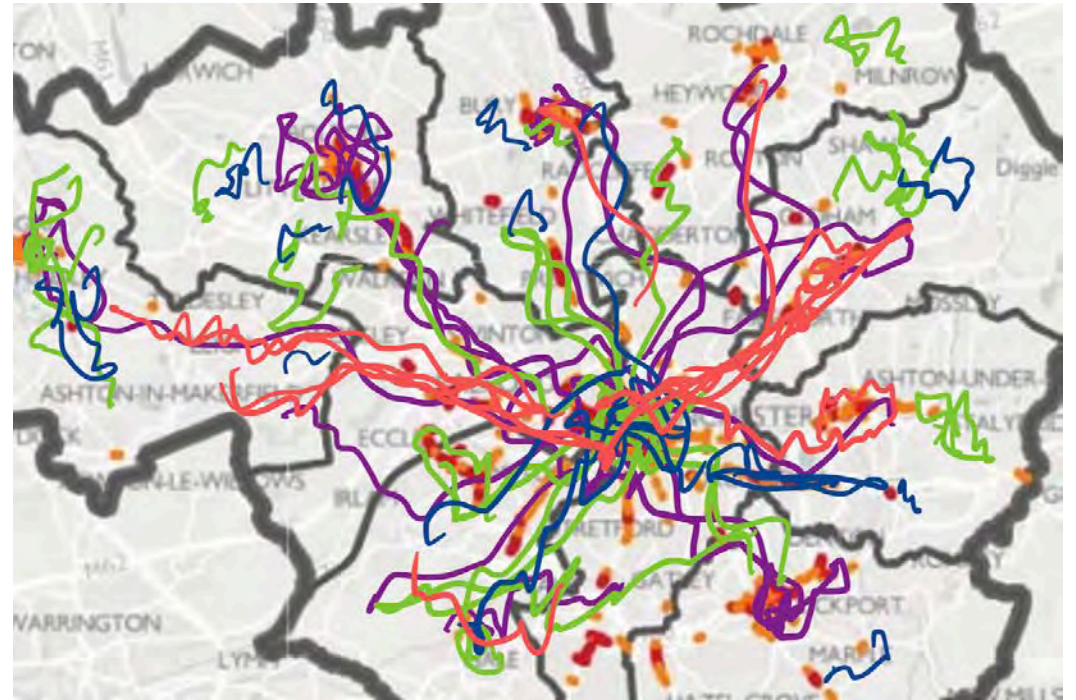
- ▶ Validate the results using personal exposure measurements
- ▶ City of Manchester
- ▶ Replicate commuter routes using a combination of mobile and static measurements
- ▶ Use the results to refine the model
- ▶ Two additional UKRIC network cities

UKCRIC Urban Observatory Data Hub [Manchester]



OUTPUTS

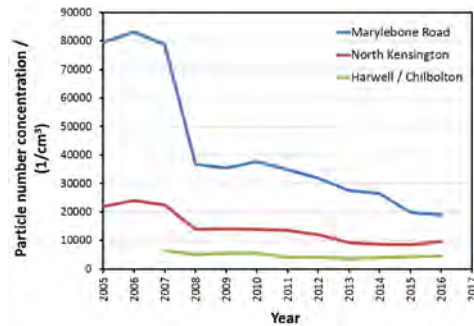
- ▶ Estimates of concentrations at any user defined level (variable resolution output)
 - ▶ Measures of uncertainty
 - ▶ Individual's personal trajectory maps
 - ▶ Map differences between personal exposures and concentrations
- ▶ Tools to allow users to incorporate the outputs from the personal exposure model into health impact analyses and epidemiological risk models.
- ▶ Allow the effects of interventions, both real and hypothetical, on personal exposures to be assessed



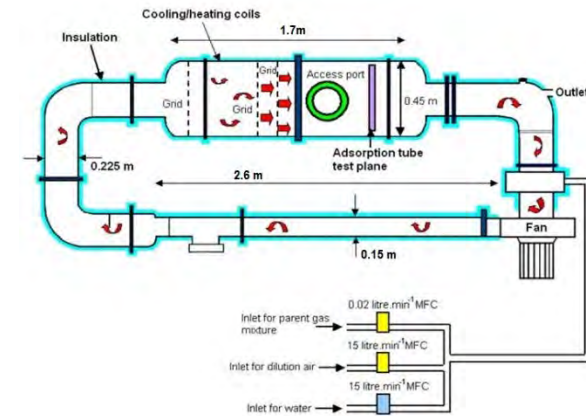
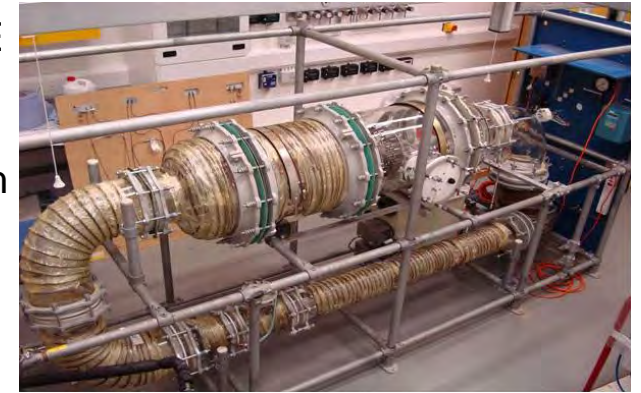
Mr Tom Gardiner



NPL involvement in SPF Clean Air Programme



- The National Physical Laboratory (NPL) is one of the PSRE partners in the Clean Air Programme.
- NPL is providing metrology support across both the UKRI and Met Office research activities through collaboration with project partners.
- Metrology provides a measurement infrastructure which is **stable** over time, **comparable** between locations, and **coherent**, allowing measurements of different properties using different methods to be combined.
- Particular areas of collaboration within Clean Air include:
 - Performance assessment of key sensor technologies using NPL laboratory and field test facilities;
 - Development of (sensor and network) calibration methodologies;
 - Evaluation of (sensor and network) uncertainties.
- Providing linkage to other activities (e.g. Breath London; DEFRA Black Carbon, Heavy Metals and new UK Urban NO₂ networks)
- NPL will also help feed key project outputs into European standardisation activities through CEN TC264 (Air Quality) WG42 on Air Quality Sensors.



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C.A.G.E. CLEAN AIR GAS ENGINE

Project summary Feb 2020



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OAKTEC....WHO ARE WE?

Specialist in design and development of efficient, low emission gas engines. 7 years concentrated R&D into dedicated gas engine development.

Inventors of the Pulse-R engine technology ...now at late stage prototype

Focus on displacing diesel with equivalent small and medium ultra-clean gas engines

Currently developments;

- Bio-gas Pulse-R engines for sub Saharan Africa and Asia to power off grid communities
- Small gas generators for domestic construction sector to improve air quality
- Developing world class engines for LPG, CNG, biogas and hydrogen

CAGE BROAD OBJECTIVES

To displace diesel engines with ultra low emission gas engines to power equipment in the construction and other sectors. Engines will target elimination of NOx emissions by using clever combustion strategies.

No customer penalty! To develop gas powered solutions that match the performance of incumbent technologies with lower or equivalent ownership costs and equivalent ease of use.

Focus on the range between 2kW and 56kW where there is a high demand and lack of competitive product. First CAGE engine will be a 25kW unit in a Sutton generator

To build a powerful consortium of stake holders to create a clear commercial path for our new gas engine technologies

Create world leading products that benefit customers, the environment and the UK businesses that produce and adopt the technologies.

THE CAGE PROJECT

- Follows an invitation from Autocraft to develop the engine from one of their vehicle OEM customers engine range for non-automotive applications using gas fuels. The OEM was keen to support with free supply of engines
- The CAGE engine platform has state of the art automotive efficiency and emission reduction technologies.
- The project will focus on development of Stage V emission certified bio-LPG generators with class leading performance and air quality emission benefits
- Calor will support the project by deploying their latest fuel supply innovations to suit customer needs and supply bioLPG for demonstration in the project.
- Prototype systems will be trialled on HS2 rail construction sites managed by their Clean Air team.
- CAGE emission performance will be monitored in real time by Kings College London and compared to existing data for equivalent diesel engines. Predictions on air quality benefits will then be made assuming wide scale adoption.

SUSTAINABILITY

- LPG and CNG the current solution. Equivalent performance to diesel and petrol but greatly reduced emissions from dedicated gas engine technology.
- Bio methane/BioLPG. Vast opportunities for growth from genuinely sustainable fuels
- Hydrogen. The zero carbon fuel for the long term future of the combustion engine.

All engines being developed by OakTec and partners can use any of the above fuels with high efficiency and ultra low emissions without modification to engine hardware.



LPG



Biogas



OakTec hydrogen
engine

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Optimising wheel alignment to Reduce Vehicle Particulate Emissions

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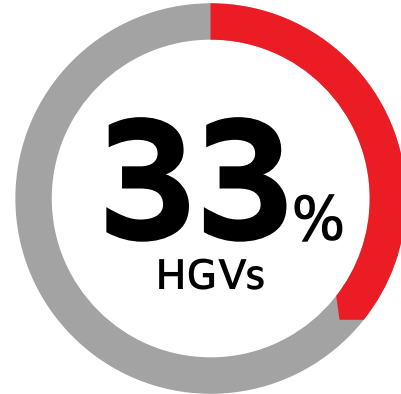
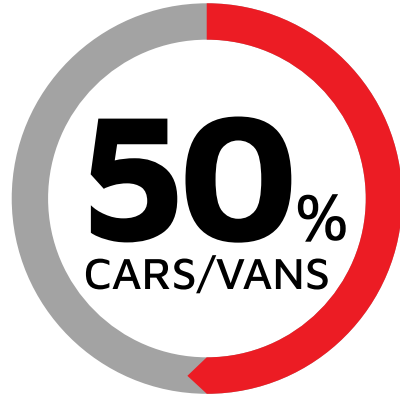
Project Lead and Technical Director



Reducing Vehicle Particulate Emissions
by Continuously Monitoring Wheel Alignment

The Challenge

On the UK roads today



are operating with incorrect wheel alignment,
according to Tyre Industry Research

That's

16.3 million cars

2.1 million vans

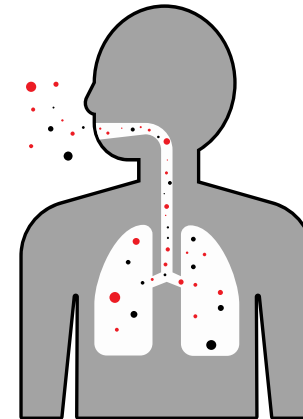
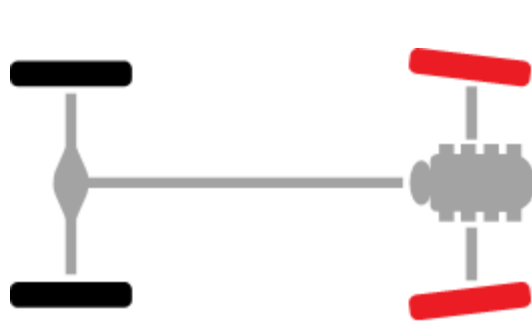
262,000 HGVs

Vehicle Licensing Statistics 31/03/2019

Wheel Misalignment

Causes 20% excessive and premature tyre tread wear

Tyre tread abrasion is the major contributor to vehicle particulate emissions PM2.5 & PM10





- Wheels become out of alignment during routine day to day use
- Today, alignment is corrected not very often
- Our project will create a system to continuously monitor for misalignment - on board the vehicle
- As soon as misalignment occurs the driver and fleet operator are notified, together with the ongoing environmental impact without correction



Our Technology Partners



SOLUTION DESIGN, CONNECTIVITY
MATHEMATICAL MODELLING



WHEEL SENSOR DESIGN
AND SIGNAL PROCESSING



COMPUTATIONAL AND
FE MODELLING



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE



BIG DATA ANALYTICS
STANDARDISED TEST PROTOCOL

Our Industry Partners

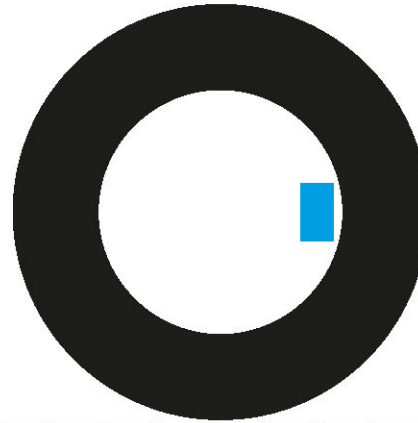


AutoAlign

Reducing Vehicle Particulate Emissions
by Continuously Monitoring Wheel Alignment

Our project will design and build wheel sensors to detect and map orientation

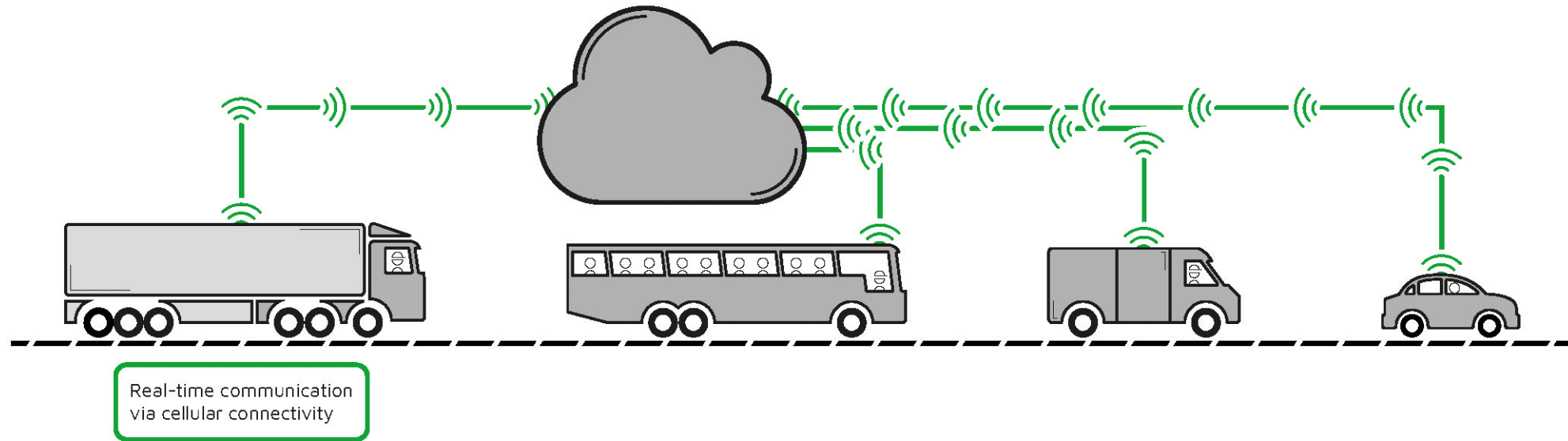
- Quick and easy to fit
- Self-calibrating
- Durable and waterproof
- Retrofit and OE
- Low cost



AutoAlign uses bespoke retro-fit wheel sensors

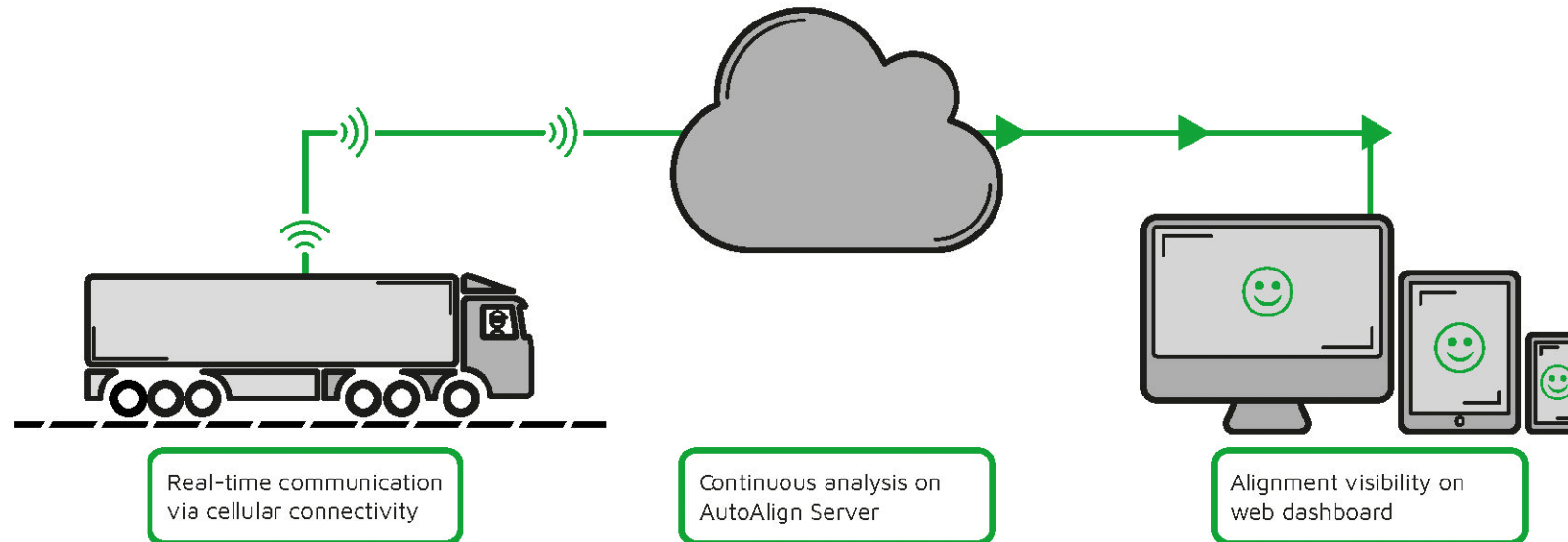
...and connect the data to mobile apps and the cloud for alignment analysis, fleet reporting

Real Time Connectivity



...building on a platform already created through CAV1 development of remote tyre pressure monitoring

Detecting misalignment from the off





Project Deliverables

- A misalignment alerting system that suits all types of vehicle, new, used, electric, combustion engine
- A standardised, live test protocol for tyre wear measurement to establish real world wear rates & particulate emissions from different makes of tyre – for both aligned and misaligned wheels
- At project completion; a low cost quick ROI commercial solution for truck fleets, scalable for swift deployment, designed to extend to other vehicle categories.



Project Benefits

- Cleaner Air
- Reduction in microplastics in fresh water and the oceans
- Reduction in tailpipe emissions, tyre costs and tyre manufacturing
- Test data and protocols available for other projects
- Improved UK skillset in data analytics for dynamic repair & maintenance
- Significant economic return on UK taxpayers' money

**... working towards alignment being part of MOT checks
and access to Low Emission Zones**



**Reducing Vehicle Particulate Emissions
by Continuously Monitoring Wheel Alignment**

Every year, vehicle wheel misalignment causes

- 25,000 extra tons of microplastic emissions in Europe
- Worldwide manufacture of an extra 50m car tyres and 5m truck tyres
- In the UK alone - 2bn extra tons of CO₂ tailpipe emissions



An immediate impact solution that
reduces pollution & saves costs



Reducing Vehicle Particulate Emissions
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BIG issue



We all have this problem

Transport industry is searching for a solution



CO² NOX EMISSIONS



INEFFICIENCY



CONGESTION

On our streets



Annual UK emissions of
120 Million Kg of CO₂ and associated Nox
from Van and Truck refrigeration systems.

The energy for chilling is on board the pod and not on board the vehicle

This is achieved by using Phase Change Material (PCM).



The Cool Run Multi-Temperature Pod Journey Cycle



UCC/HUB



UCC/HUB
PROCESS

- Cross dock to postcodes
- Marshalling to Vans/LGV
- Marshalling to Barge



Urban Delivery Semi-trailer:

Capacity **48 pods**



7.5 tonne urban delivery E-vehicle:

Capacity **10 pods**



- Starburst Delivery
- Micro Vans
- Bikes

Collection
Platforms
(Volume Only)

Milk Round
Delivery



Final mile urban delivery E-scooter:

Capacity **1 pod**



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- Respiratory medicine, clinical science and environmental health



Dr. Jenny Baverstock, Senior Collaboration Fellow,
Faculty of Environmental and Life Sciences, University of Southampton.

- Interdisciplinary research, research networks facilitator and delivery manager.



Prof Martin Williams, Head, Science Policy Unit,
Environmental Research Group, King's College, London

- Application of atmospheric science to policy on air quality, the relationship between air quality and health, and on the linkages between air quality and climate change.



Air quality dependencies and basis for Clean Air systems analysis framework



Failure of engagement and ownership of the health problems by medical community



Communication barriers between physical and biological/health scientists

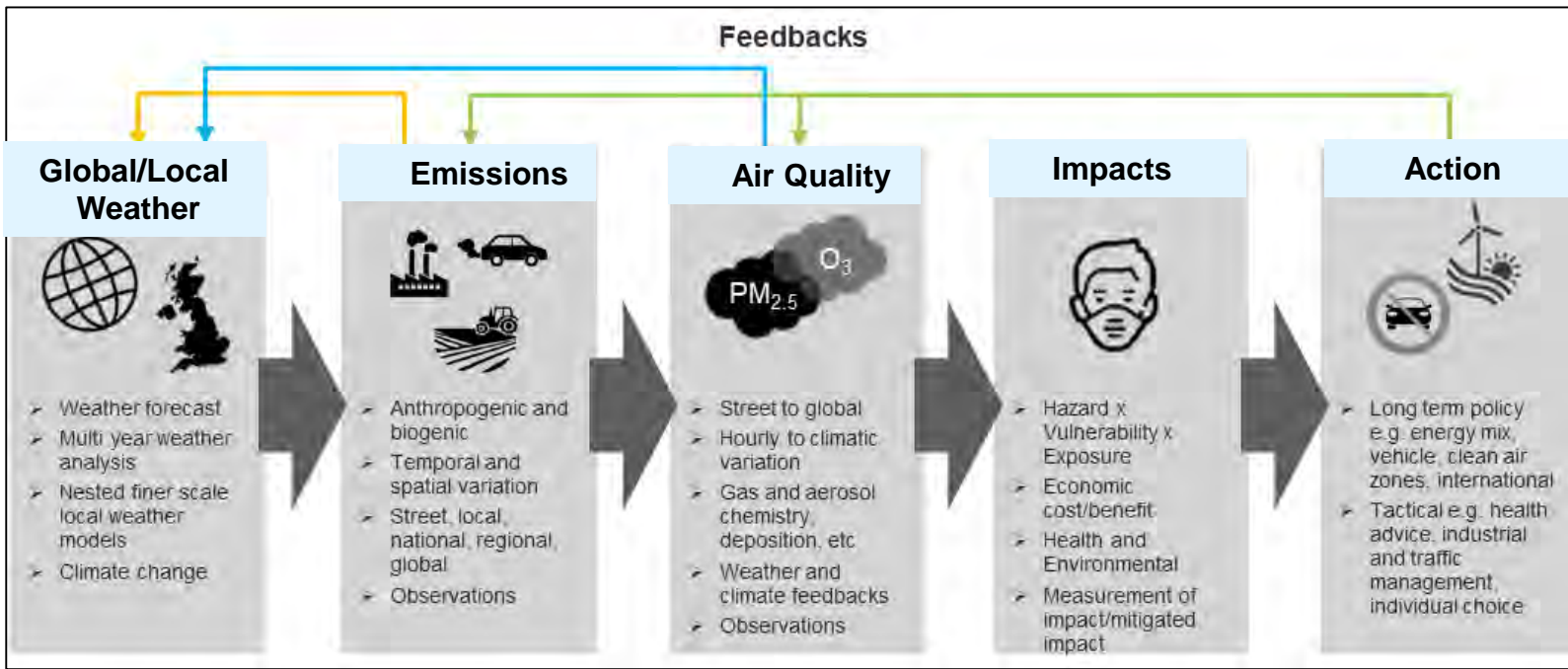


Lack of public understanding

Little motivation for behaviour change



Lack of interfaces to promote innovations



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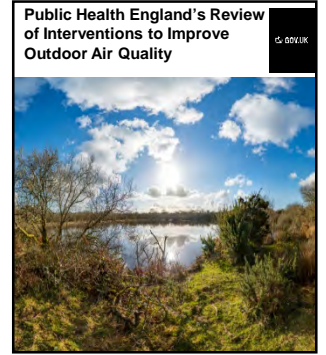
Industry/economic pushback



Capability/Linkages limited, fragmented and not aligned: Street ↔ Global a particular challenge

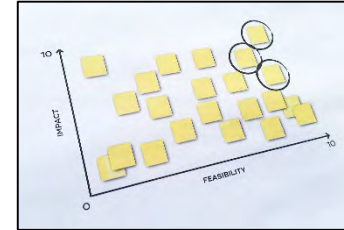


Objectives of the UKRI SPF Clean Air Programme



1. Drive forward new **interdisciplinary research** and **innovation**.
2. Leverage existing UK investments and enable a **challenge-focussed** interdisciplinary community to **work together**.
3. **Inform implementation** of the UK Government's Clean Air Strategy.
4. Develop **new solutions** to reduce emissions and exposures of atmospheric pollution and protect public health, whilst **avoiding perverse** consequences.
5. **Present information** to stakeholders and public in an accessible way.

Clean Air Champions provide a solution-focused approach to air pollution research and its uptake



Strategy

- 1) **Map** competences and **dimensions** of currently funded air pollution projects - overlay these to identify effective activities or gaps to target.
- 2) **Unify** key researchers and **stakeholders** around visionary missions using horizon scanning, workshops, sandpit sessions to scenario simulations.
- 3) **Uncover** and **challenge** barriers/obstacles and **produce** interdisciplinary solutions.
- 4) **Create** an “opportunities **ideas portfolio**” leading to innovations to test.
- 5) **Translate** ideas into **practical interventions** targeted at the right people.
- 6) **Develop** a **professional** and **public communications** strategy using the best available evidence and exemplars.



People will change their behaviour only if they see the new behaviour as easy, rewarding, empowering and normal



Poster session



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Closing statements

Professor Frank Kelly

Chair in Environmental Health, Kings College London



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Air Quality & Health Challenges & Opportunities for Multi-Disciplinary Research

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King's College London

2012 Annual UK Review Meeting on Outdoor and Indoor Air
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The problem is still with us



Smog in London, seen from the edge of Hampstead Heath on Easter weekend 2012. Photograph: Matt Dunham/AP

Linkages between poor AQ and health are clearer (and stronger) than ever



*The Mortality Effects of
Long-Term Exposure to
Particulate Air Pollution
in the United Kingdom*

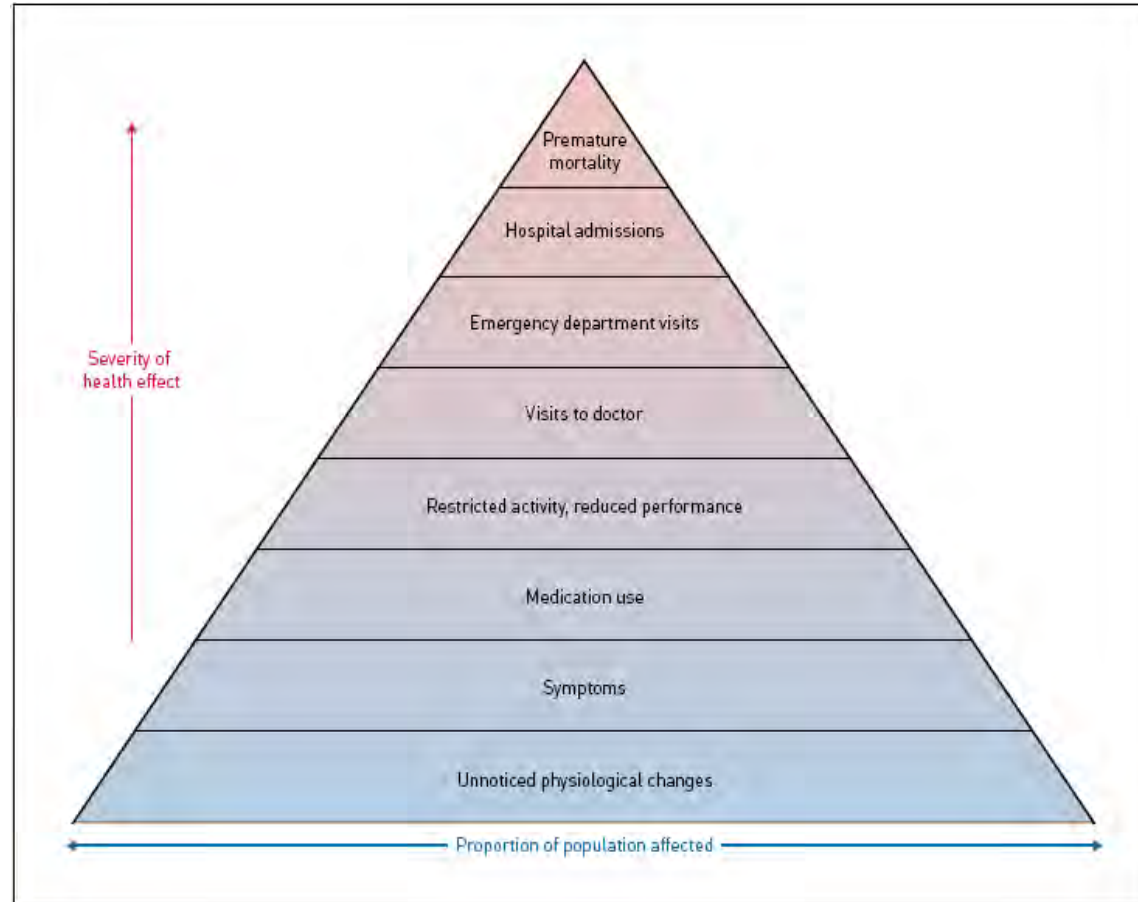
A report by the
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Medical Effects of
Air Pollutants

Across the UK poor air quality.....

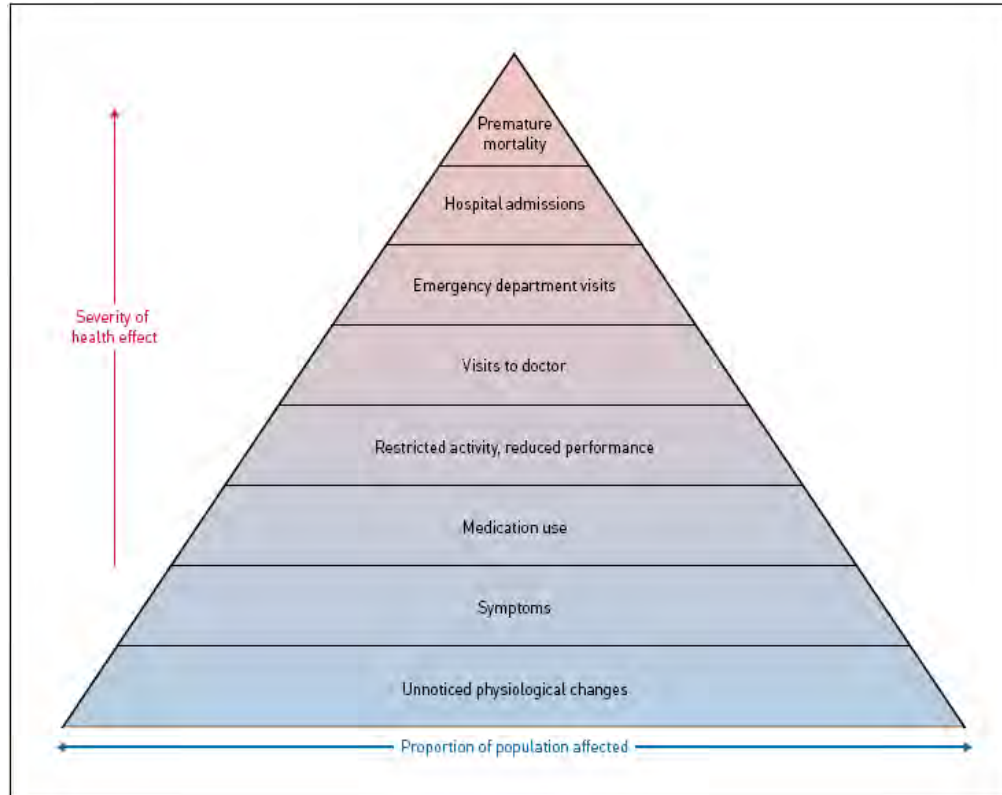
- equivalent of 29,000 premature deaths due to breathing tiny particles released into the air (2008 data)
- the average loss of life was 6 months, (although the actual amount varies between individuals, from a few days to many years)

Published December 2010

Early death is only the tip of the health pyramid...



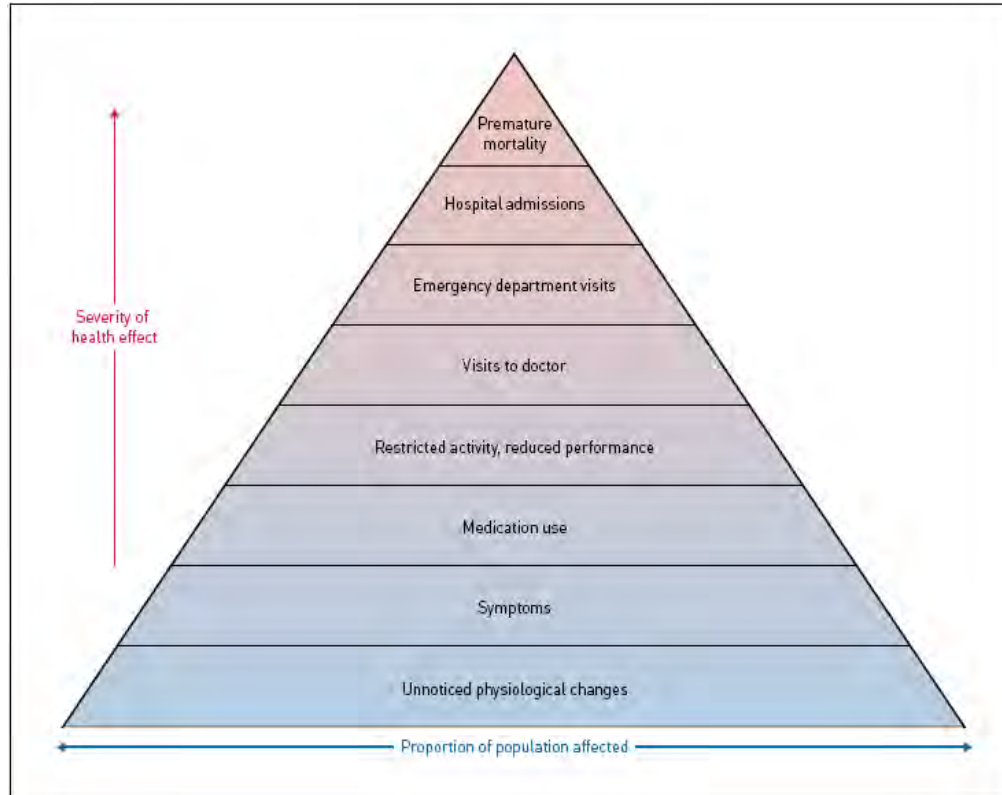
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In the last 12 months poor AQ has been linked with...

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- Low birth weight (Wilhelm et al 2012)
- Stroke (Chen et al. 2010)
- Infant cognitive function (Freire et al 2010)
- Hypertension during pregnancy (van den Hooven et al. 2011)
- Childhood leukaemia (Amigou et al. 2011)

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- Hypertension during pregnancy (van den Hooven et al. 2011)
- Childhood leukaemia (Amigou et al. 2011)

“...it seems doubtful that we have yet identified the full scope of outcomes having statistical relationships to measures of air pollution and it is certain that we have not discovered all of the subclinical and physiological responses that might be associated with air pollution.” (Mauderly, 2010)

What we have learnt: 1993-2012


1. The epidemiological observed association between premature death & long term residence in areas with high PM concentrations is robust.
2. Deaths are largely due to cardio-pulmonary causes.
3. Similar associations have been observed with asthma exacerbations and aggravation of other respiratory disease and in many locations, the prevalence of asthma and allergy.
4. Proximity to busy roads, with a high density of diesel vehicles increases the risk of negative health effects.

2012: What we still don't fully understand

1. How does inhaling relatively low concentrations of ambient particles result in the wide range of health effects reported?
2. Are all particles equally active & where does the toxicity reside?
3. To what extent are vehicle-derived particles responsible for the health effects observed?

What's in this?



A person is walking away from the camera on a dirt path in a hazy, golden landscape. The scene is filled with soft, warm light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The background is a dense forest of trees, and the overall atmosphere is misty and ethereal. Two thought bubbles are overlaid on the upper part of the image, containing the text "What's in this?" and "Where did this come from?".

What's in this?


Where did this
come from?

A person is walking away from the camera on a dirt path in a hazy, sunlit landscape. The scene is filled with soft, golden light, suggesting early morning or late afternoon. The background is a dense line of trees, and the overall atmosphere is misty and ethereal. Three thought bubbles are overlaid on the top half of the image, each containing a question.

What's in this?

Where did this
come from?

How long will it
stay around?


A person is standing on a path in a hazy, golden-brown landscape. There are four thought bubbles overlaid on the image. The first three are in the upper left and middle, and the fourth is in the lower right, connected to the person by a small bubble.

What's in this?

Where did this
come from?

How long will it
stay around?

How much of this
is going inside
me?

A person is standing on a path in a hazy, golden-brown landscape. Five thought bubbles are floating above them, each containing a question. The person is on the right side of the frame, looking towards the left. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with trees and a path.


What's in this?

Where did this
come from?

How long will it
stay around?

What is it doing
to my health?

How much of this
is going inside
me?

A person is standing on a path in a hazy, golden-hour landscape. Five thought bubbles are floating above them, each containing a question. The bubbles are light green with a dark green outline and a small tail pointing towards the person. The background is a soft-focus scene of trees and a path.

What's in this?

Where did this
come from?

How long will it
stay around?

What is it doing
to my health?

How much of this
is going inside
me?

How is this going
to alter the UK's
health statistics?

A person is standing on a path in a hazy, outdoor setting. The background is a soft, golden-brown color, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The person is silhouetted against the light. There are several thought bubbles floating around them, each containing a question. The bubbles are light green with a dark green outline and a small tail pointing towards the person. The questions are: 'What's in this?', 'Where did this come from?', 'How long will it stay around?', 'What is it doing to my health?', 'How much of this is going inside me?', 'How do we stop this happening again?', and 'How is this going to alter the UK's health statistics?'.

What's in this?

Where did this
come from?

How long will it stay
around?

What is it doing
to my health?

How much of this
is going inside
me?

How do we stop
this happening
again?

How is this going
to alter the UK's
health statistics?

A person is standing on a path in a park, looking thoughtful. The background is a soft-focus landscape with trees and a path. Six thought bubbles are floating around the person, each containing a question or statement related to environmental health and measurement. The first bubble, in the top left, is highlighted in red text.

Measurement expert

Where did this come from?

How long will it stay around?

What is it doing to my health?

How much of this is going inside me?

How do we stop this happening again?

How is this going to alter the UK's health statistics?

Measurement expert

Modeller

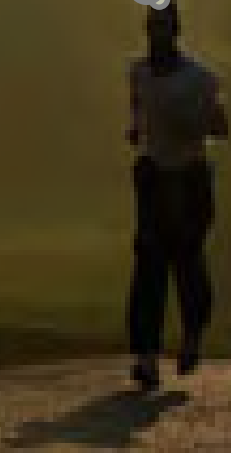
How long will it stay around?

What is it doing to my health?

How much of this is going inside me?

How do we stop this happening again?

How is this going to alter the UK's health statistics?



A person is standing on a path in a park, looking towards the camera. The background is a soft-focus landscape with trees and a clear sky. Several thought bubbles are overlaid on the image, containing text related to health and environmental science. The bubbles are light blue with a darker blue outline and a small tail pointing towards the person. The text in the bubbles is in a sans-serif font, with some words in red and others in black.

Measurement
expert

Modeller

Meteorologist

What is it doing to
my health?

How much of this
is going inside
me?

How do we stop
this happening
again?

How is this going
to alter the UK's
health statistics?

A person is standing in a field, looking towards the camera. The background is a soft-focus landscape with trees and a bright sky. Several thought bubbles are floating around the person, containing text related to environmental health and policy. The text in the bubbles is as follows:

Measurement expert

Modeller

Meteorologist

What is it doing to my health?

**Physiologist/
Toxicologist**

How do we stop this happening again?

How is this going to alter the UK's health statistics?

A person is standing in a field, looking towards the horizon. Several thought bubbles are floating around them, each containing a professional title or a question. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with trees and a clear sky.

Measurement expert

Modeller

Meteorologist

Epidemiologist

Physiologist/
Toxicologist

How do we stop
this happening
again?

How is this going
to alter the UK's
health statistics?

A person is standing on a path in a park, looking towards the camera. The background is a soft-focus landscape with trees and a clear sky. Six thought bubbles are floating around the person, each containing text. The text in the bubbles is as follows:

Measurement expert

Modeller

Meteorologist

Epidemiologist

Physiologist/
Toxicologist

How do we stop
this happening
again?

COMEAP/HPA

Measurement expert

Modeller

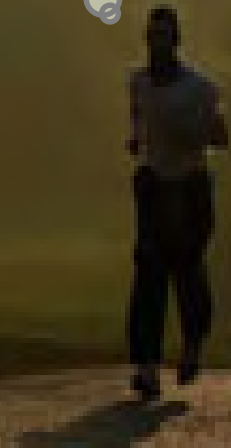
Meteorologist

Epidemiologist

Physiologist/
Toxicologist

Defra

COMEAP/HPA



If we all work together we might just be able to solve this...

Measurement expert

Modeller

Meteorologist

Epidemiologist

**Physiologist/
Toxicologist**

Defra

COMEAP/HPA



2020 - What we still don't fully understand

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Measurement expert

Modeller

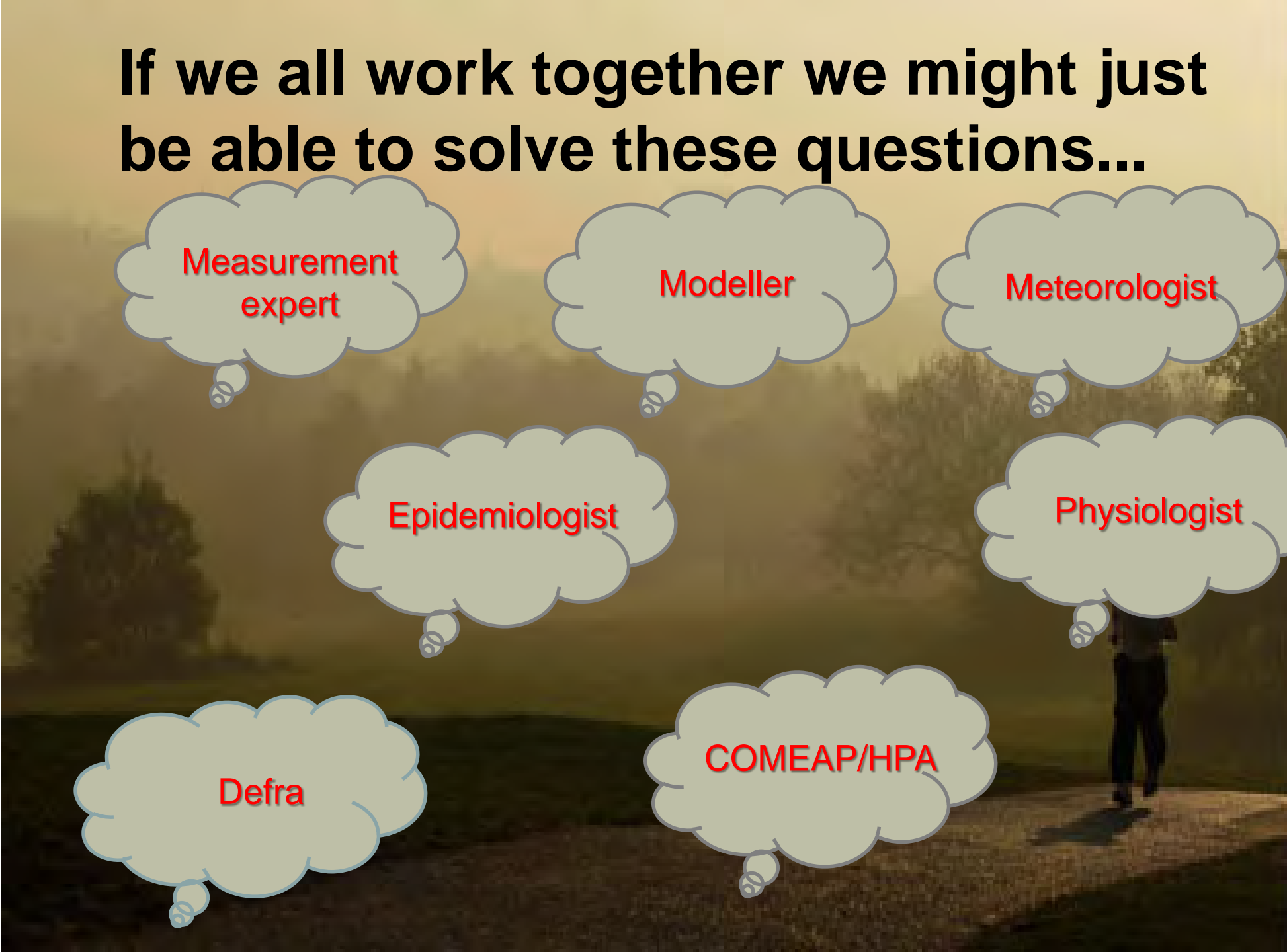
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2020 ERG at Imperial

- Sir Michael Uren Biomedical Engineering Research Hub will combine the latest medical research and engineering to improve the treatment and diagnosis of diverse medical conditions, from finding ways to cure dementia to creating bionic limbs.



LEVEL 10 TEST FIT LAYOUT rev 5 (option C)

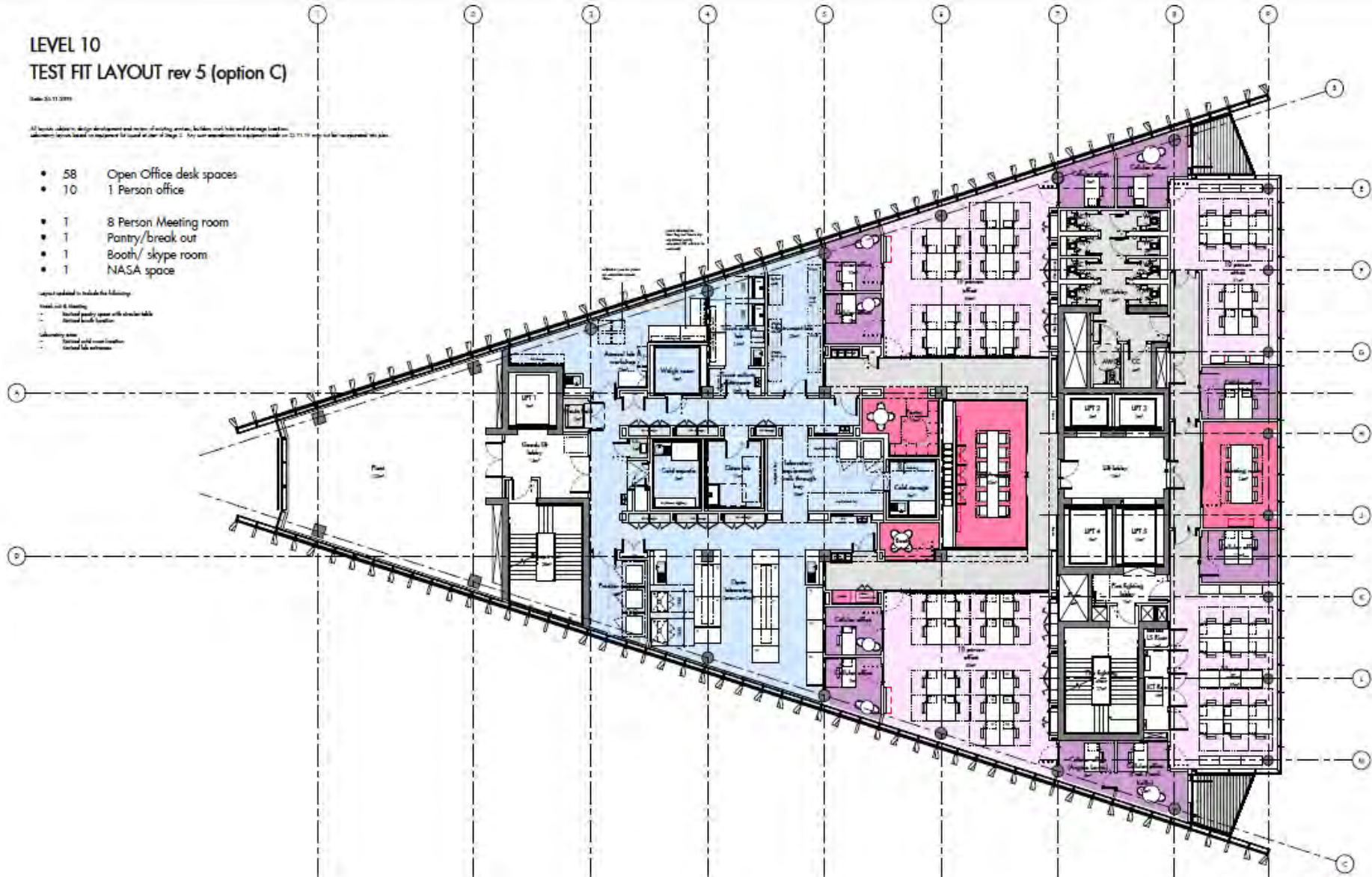
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All levels, columns, design development and notes of existing and new facilities must follow the drainage layout.
All dimensions shown based on equipment for layout as per of Stage 2. Try not over-specify in equipment made on 22.11.09 and not for transportation on site.

- 58 Open Office desk spaces
- 10 1 Person office
- 1 8 Person Meeting room
- 1 Pantry/break out
- 1 Booth/ skype room
- 1 NASA space

Notes related to include the following:

- Meeting room & Meeting
- Meeting room/ break out with wheelchair
- Meeting room/ break out
- Laboratory note
- Meeting room/ break out
- Meeting room/ break out



KEY:

- Laboratory
- Open office
- Cellular office
- Meeting room/ break out
- Circulation and cores

Thanks for listening





SPF Clean Air Wave 1 Kick Off Event

Meeting closed

Thank you

Any questions or comments:
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