



French dataset proposed for the 3rd European source apportionment intercomparison exercise



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Origin of the dataset

The **CARA** (PM Chemical Characterization) program

Designed and managed by INERIS, as part of the French reference laboratory for air quality monitoring (LCSQA)

Since 2008

✓ Daily filter sampling and off-line chemical analyses

Since 2013

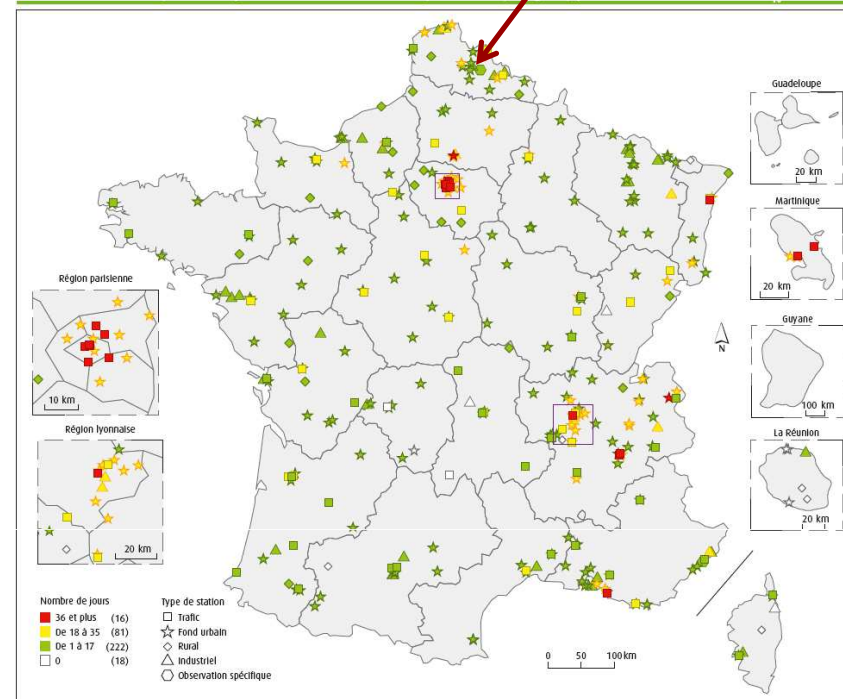
✓ Real-time in situ data



Dataset summary (as proposed by JRC)

COUNTRY	France
PERIOD	03.2011 to 03.2012
TIME RES.	every 3 days
DURATION OF SAMPLING	24 hours
TYPE OF SITE	Urban background PM10
N SAMPLES	116
IONS	ok (8 species)
EC/OC	ok
TRACE ELEMENTS	ok (25 species)
PAHs	ok (15 species)
LEVO/MANN	ok + galacto
HOPANES	ok (10 species)
N-ALKANES	ok (29 species)
CHOLESTEROL	
SOA MARKERS	ok
OTHER	Pristane, Phytane, Glucose

Carte 7 : nombre de jours de dépassement de la valeur limite journalière (50 µg.m⁻³) par stations de mesure des PM₁₀ en 2013



Source : Géod'Aix, août 2014. Traitements : SOEs, 2014

More about sampling

Sampling site

- Urban background
- In a large urbanized area (about 500 000 inh within 100km)
- Several highways in the vicinity
- Several types of industries within a few 10's km (petrochemical, metallurgic, and non-metallurgic)
- Not far away from the sea (about 80-100 km)
- Climate like in Belgium 😊

Sampling procedures

- Daily Hivol (30 m³/hr) on Quartz filter (*Pall-Gelman 2500 QAT-UP*) 250 mm diameter
- Folded in half, wrapped in aluminum foil and in sealed polyethylene bag
- Samples kept a low temperature after sampling
- Handling / punching under laminar flow hood before analyses.

Species list

1. **Ionic species** (Na⁺, NH₄⁺, Ca²⁺, Mg²⁺, K⁺, Cl⁻, NO₃⁻, SO₄²⁻) and **EC/OC**
2. **Trace elements** As, Ba, Cd, Ce, Co, Cs, Cu, La, Mn, Mo, Ni, Pb, Rb, Sb, Sr, V, Zn, Al, Ca, Fe, K, Mg, Na, S, Ti
3. **PAHs** Phenanthrene, Anthracene, Fluoranthene, Pyrene, Retene, Benzo(a)anthracene, Chrysene, Benzo(e)pyrene, Benzo(b)fluoranthene, Benzo(k)fluoranthene, Benzo(a)pyrene, Benzo(ghi)perylene, DiBenzo(Ah)anthracene, Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene, Coronene
4. **Hopanes** Trisnorneohopane, 17 α -Trisnorneohopane, 17 α 21 β -Norhopane, 17 α 21 β -Hopane, 17 α 21 β 22S-Homohopane, 17 α 21 β 22R-Homohopane, 17 α 21 β 22R-Bishomohopane, 17 α 21 β 22S-Bishomohopane, 17 α 21 β 22S-Trishomohopane, 17 α 21 β 22R-Trishomohopane
5. **N-Alkanes** C12 to C40
6. **OA markers** biogenic aerosols: Arabitol, Sorbitol, Mannitol
Biomass burning: Levoglucosan, Mannosan, Galactosan

Analyses

EC-OC

Sunset lab analyzer with EUSAAR2 protocol. Split EC-OC determined with transmittance

Ionic species

Ionic chromatography (IC, *Dionex ICS-3000*) with AS/AG 17 and CS/CG 12A columns

Samples were soaked for one hour in 10 mL of Milli-Q water

Filtered using 2µm-porosity *Acrodisc* filters

Anhydro sugars

Sugar anhydrides (levoglucosan, mannosan, and galactosan) and sugar alcohols (arabitol, sorbitol, mannitol)

HPLC-PAD (DX500) Methrom columns (MetroSep A Supp 15 and Metrosep Carb1)

Same extracts as for IC

Trace metals

Al, Na, Mg, K, Ca, Fe and Ti : ICP-AES (IRIS Intrepid, *Thermo-Scientific*)

As, Ba, Cd, Ce, Co, Cs, Cu, La, Mn, Mo, Ni, Pb, Rb, Sb, Sr, V, Zn : ICP-MS (ELAN 6100 DRC, *Perkin Elmer*)

acid digested (HNO_3 ; HF; H_2O_2) with a microwave oven

Organic speciation

Extraction in high pressure / high temperature solvents mixtures (ASE-200) ;

Preconcentration (Zymark) + filtration (Anatop 0,10 µm)

2 analyses with GC-MS : GC Clarus 500 ; MS 560 – Perkin Elmer

Direct injection + after derivatization (BSTFA + TMCS)

PM₁₀ and Metadata

PM10

Daily PM₁₀ data obtained from Beta gauge measurements (MP101M-RST)

Gaseous species

NO/NO₂, O₃, BTEX

Meteorological data

Temp., Press., rH, WD & WS

Other upon request

Emission inventory

Local / national ones

TNO / EMEP ?