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Which are the priority sectors? Lessons learned and new emission sources to be considered



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Emissions in the Era of Big Data

Big and heterogeneous data is constantly being generated by a diversity of sources, but we are still asking the same questions:

- How many diesel EURO IV passenger cars pass through this street?
- What is the stack height of this industry?
- How many wood is being consumed in this district?
- When is the farmer applying fertilizers to this type of crop?

Are there new methods/tools (e.g. data analytics, data mining) that we can apply to improve the access to this (basic) information?

A specific challenge for each source



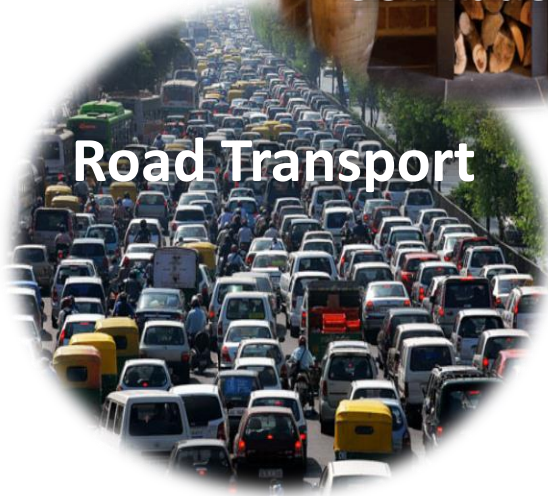
**Residential
Combustion**



**Industrial
Combustion**



Agriculture



Road Transport



**Use of
Solvents**

Activity/Emission Factors

Spatial Allocation

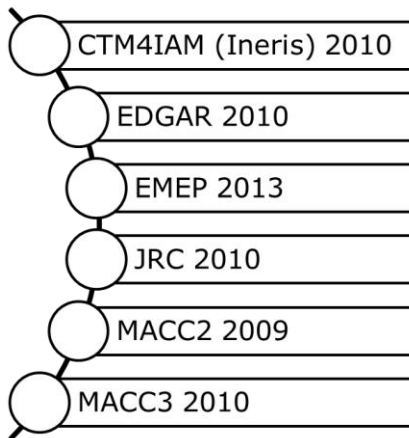
Temporal Allocation

Speciation

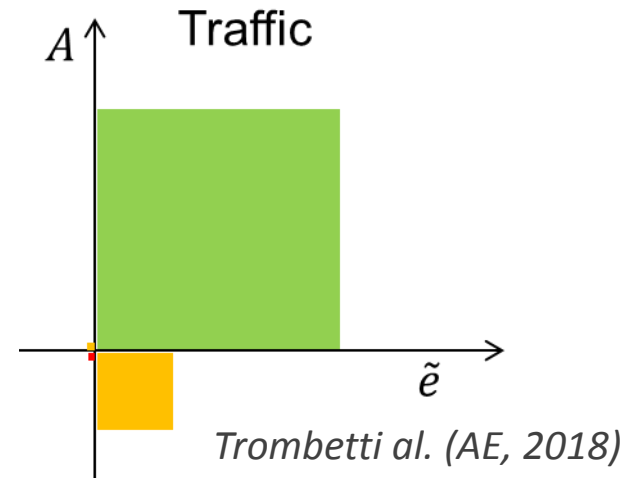
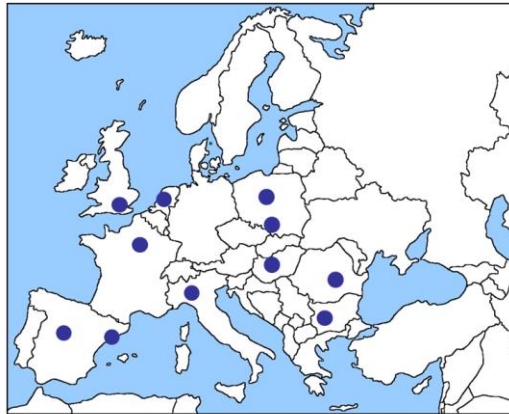
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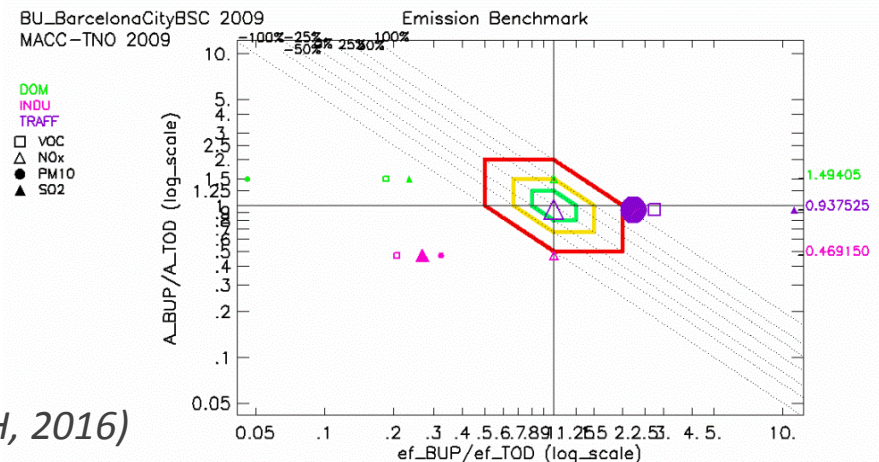
Inventories



Regions

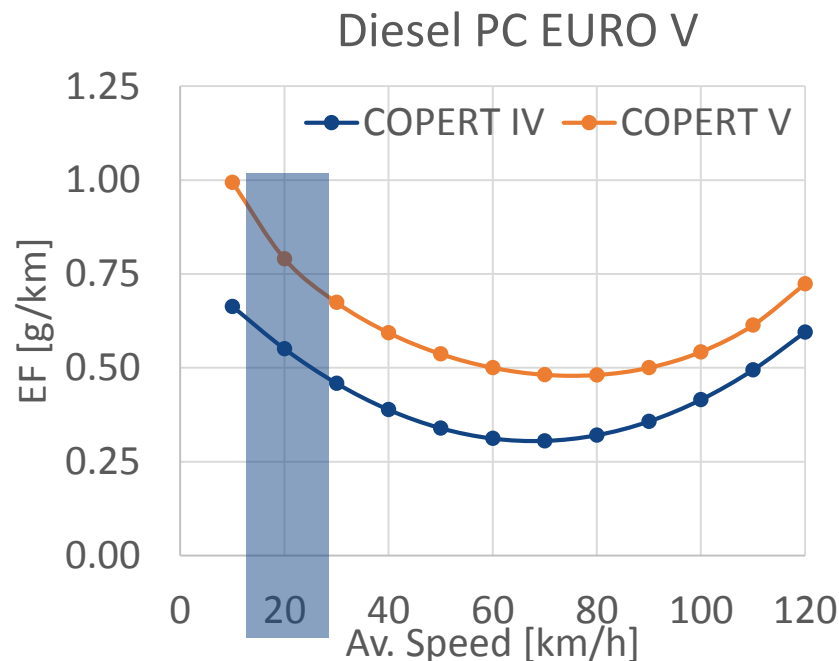


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Road Transport

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- Does it mean that both emission inventories are correct? (none of them can be taken as “the reference”)

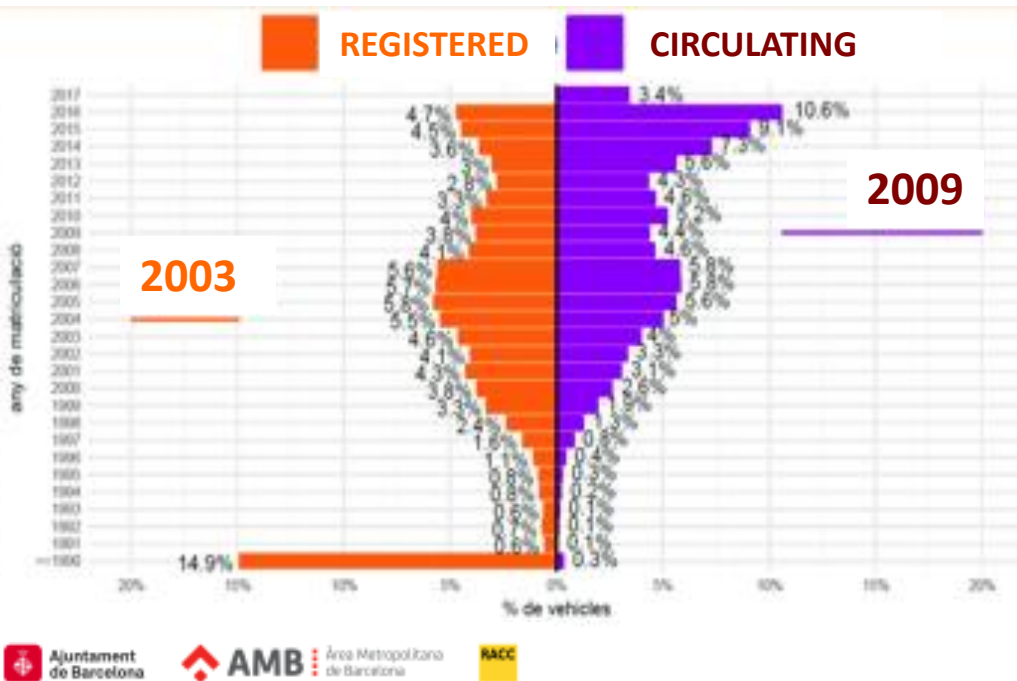


Emission inventories need to take into account real world observations

Road Transport

- Vehicle fleet composition profile

Average passenger car registration year in Barcelona



Low Emission Zone (December 2017)

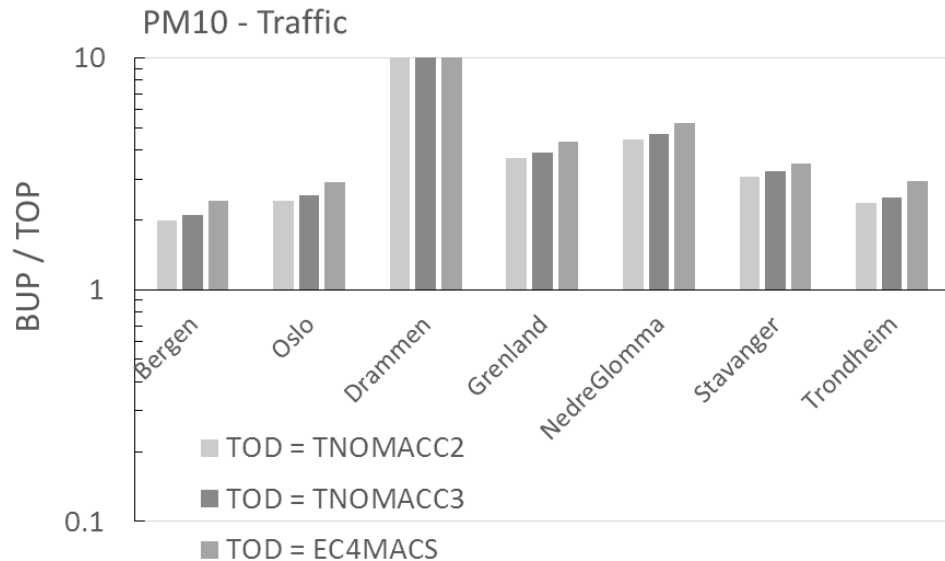
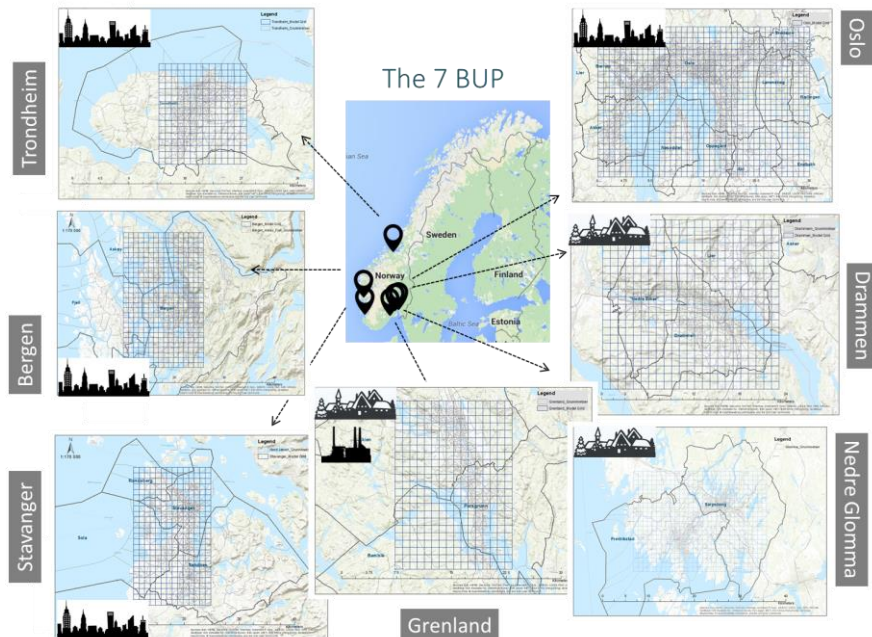


Petrol cars registered before 2000
Diesel cars registered before 2006
Vans registered before 1 October 1994

Number plate recognition systems: A necessary input for AQ planning (WG4)

Road Transport

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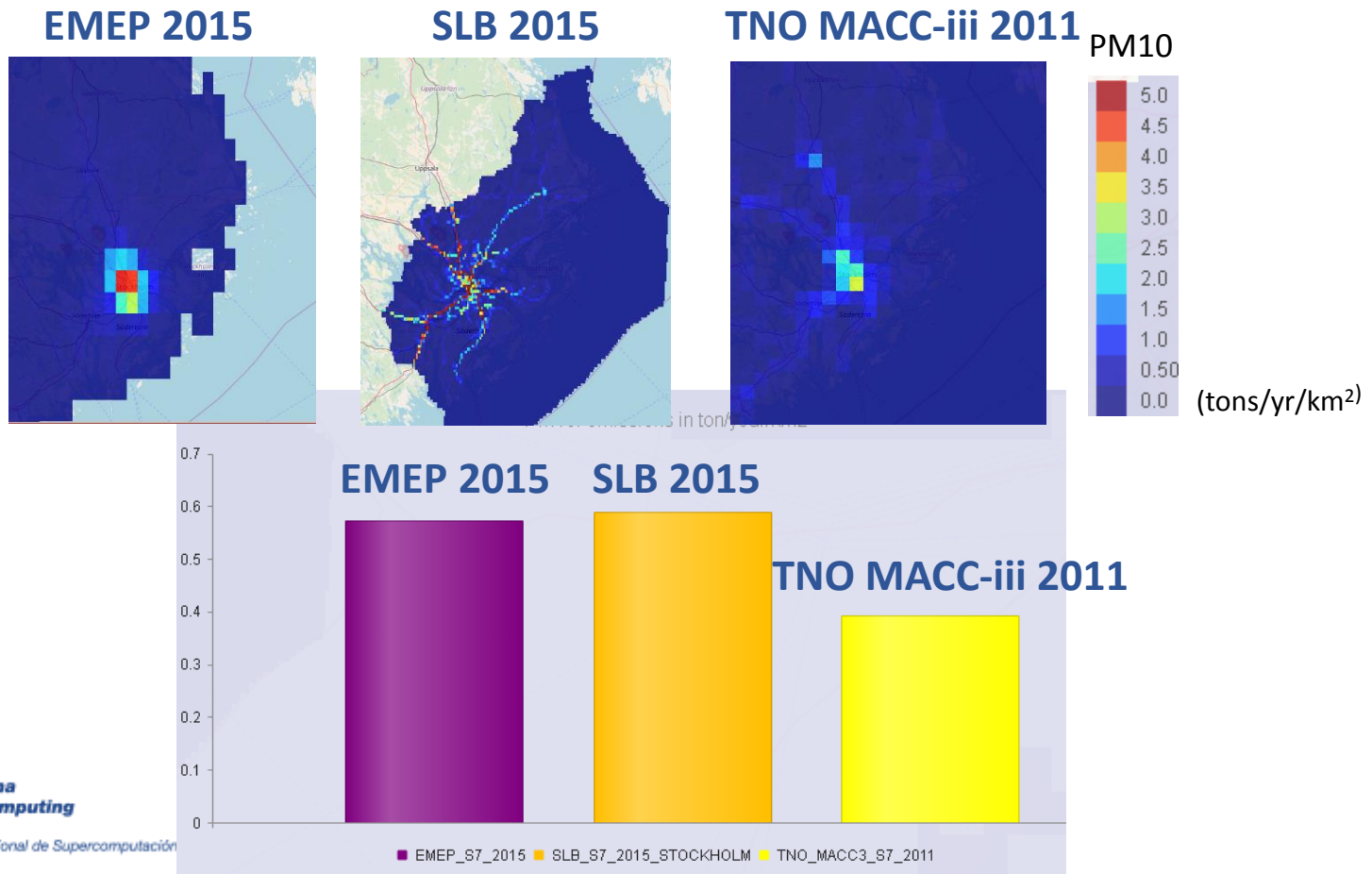


Lopez-Aparicio al. (AE, 2016)

Road Transport

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Sweden's submission 2015: Resuspension included (increase almost a factor 2)



Road Transport

- Spatial distribution: urban / interurban / rural roads

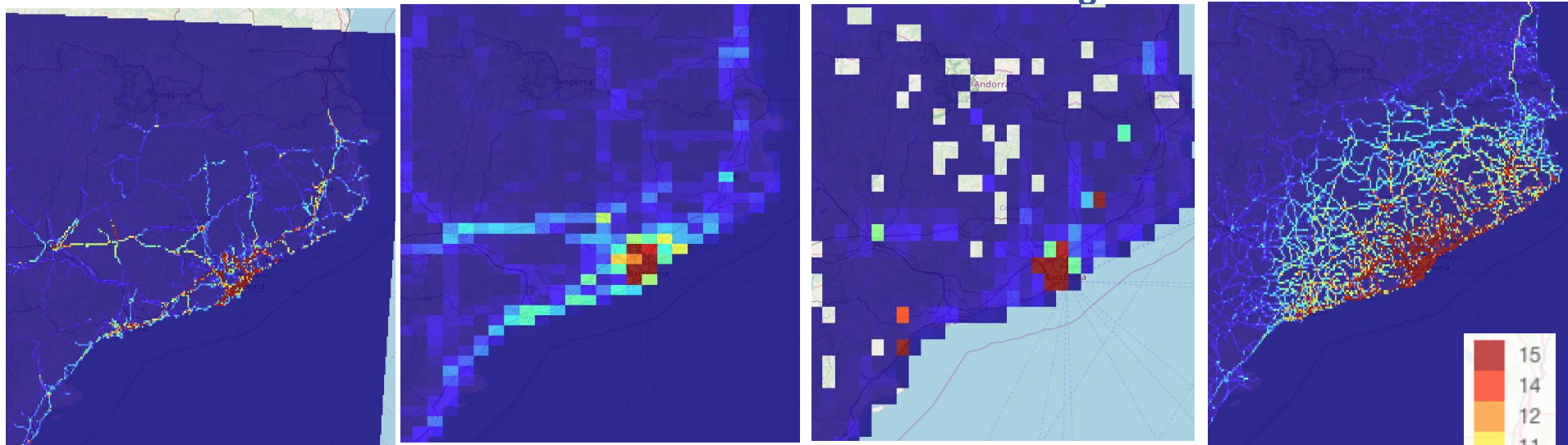
How to get the correct balance in top-down emission inventories?

HERMESv2.0 (2013)
1kmx1km

TNO MACC-III (2011)
7kmx7km

EMEP (2015)
0.1x0.1 deg

JRC (2010)
1kmx1km

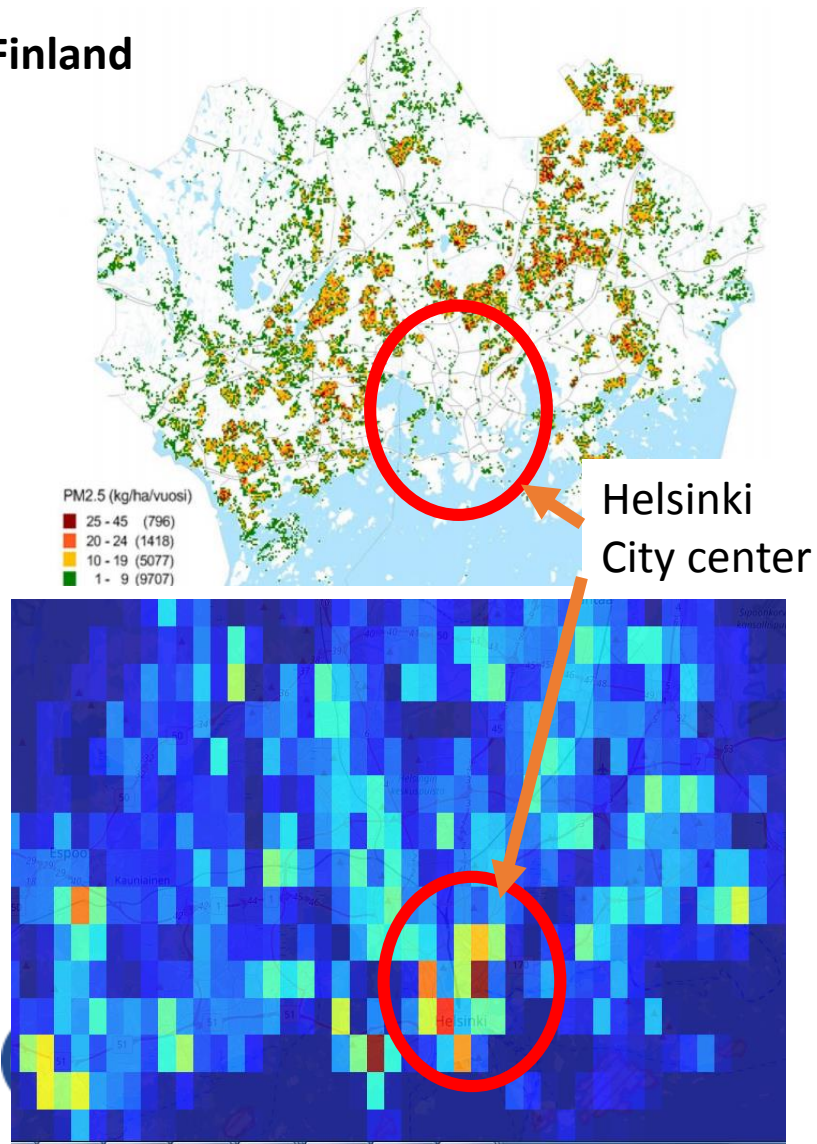


Is it possible to report in the IIRs the spatial proxies and methods used?

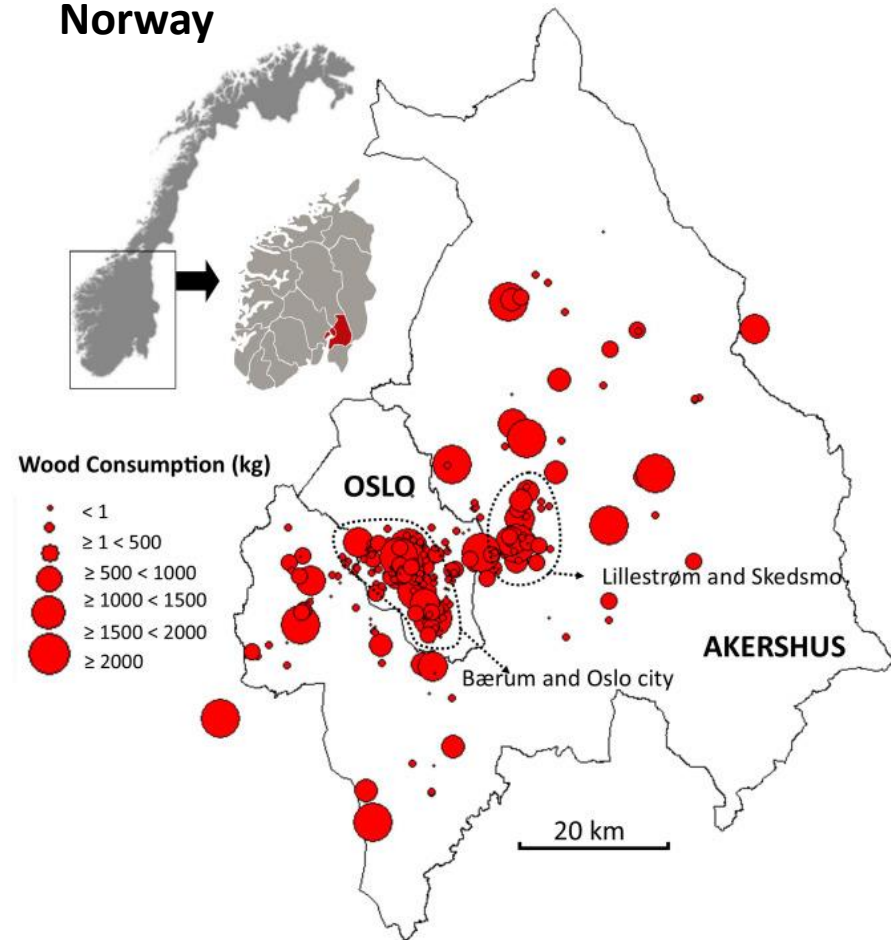
Residential Combustion

- Spatial allocation: Where is the wood being burned?

Finland



Norway



Lopez-Aparicio al. (JEM, 2017)

Residential Combustion

- PM Emission Factors:
 - National emission factors used on official reporting show a considerable range

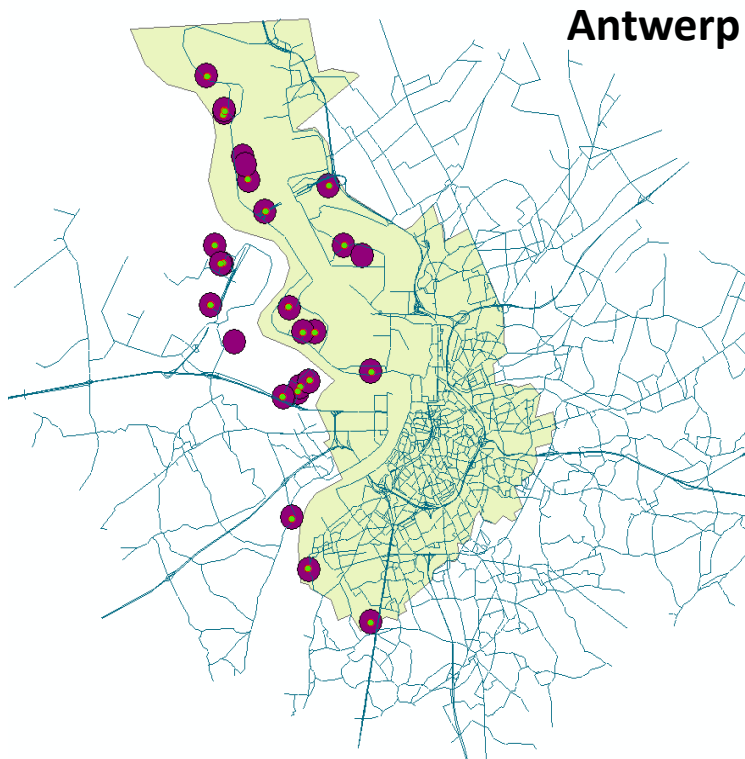
Tier 2 emission factors					
	Code	Name			
NFR source category	1.A.4.b.i	Residential plants			
Fuel	Wood and similar wood waste				
SNAP (if applicable)	020205	Residential - Other equipments (stoves, fireplaces, cooking,...)			
Technologies/Practices	Conventional stoves				
Region or regional conditions	NA				
Abatement technologies	NA				
Not applicable					
Not estimated					
Pollutant	Value	Unit	95 % confidence interval		Reference
			Lower	Upper	
NO _x	50	g/GJ	30	150	Pettersson et al. (2011)
CO	4000	g/GJ	1000	10000	Pettersson et al. (2011) and Goncalves et al. (2012)
NMVOC	600	g/GJ	20	3000	Pettersson et al. (2011)
SO _x	11	g/GJ	8	40	US EPA (1996/2)
NH ₃	70	g/GJ	35	140	Roe et al. (2004)
TSP (total particles)	800	g/GJ	400	1600	Alves et al. (2011) and Glasius et al. (2005) ¹⁾
PM ₁₀ (total particles)	760	g/GJ	380	1520	Alves et al. (2011) and Glasius et al. (2005) ¹⁾
PM _{2.5} (total particles)	740	g/GJ	370	1480	Alves et al. (2011) and Glasius et al. (2005) ¹⁾

Should the emission factor be also country-oriented?

Industries

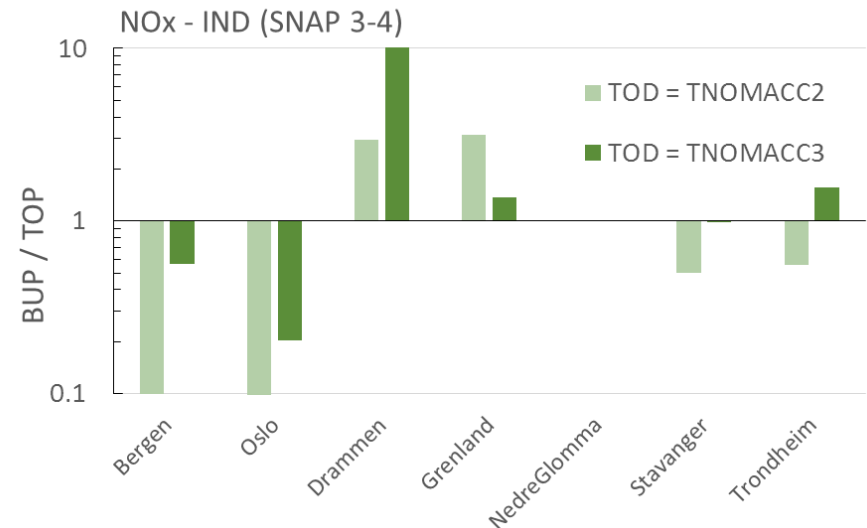
- Spatial allocation:

LPS: Is E-PRTR reliable enough?



Ton/year	NO _x	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}
Local dataset (2012)	12488	425	219
CLRTAP (2010)	12589	0	0
E-PRTR (2012)	11422	106	0

MCP: Which is the best spatial proxy?



TNO_MACC-II: total population

TNO_MACC-III: **Industrial land cover**

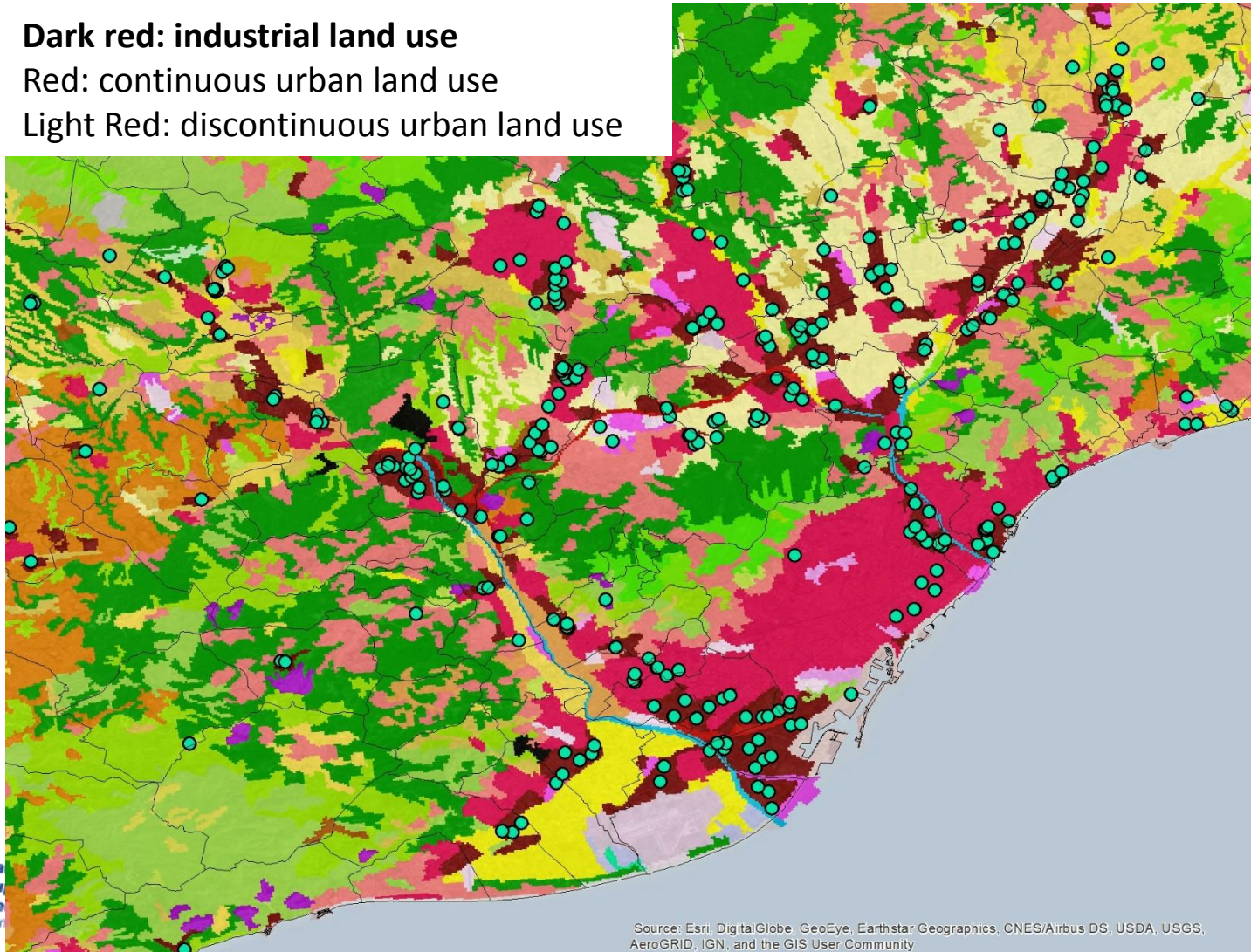
CORINE Land Cover: sanatoriums, spa facilities, hospitals, military bases, educational establishments, university sites, commercial centres bordering on or outside urban districts are also associated with this category.

Industries

- Spatial allocation:

Land Cover examples – CORINE 2006 (Barcelona)

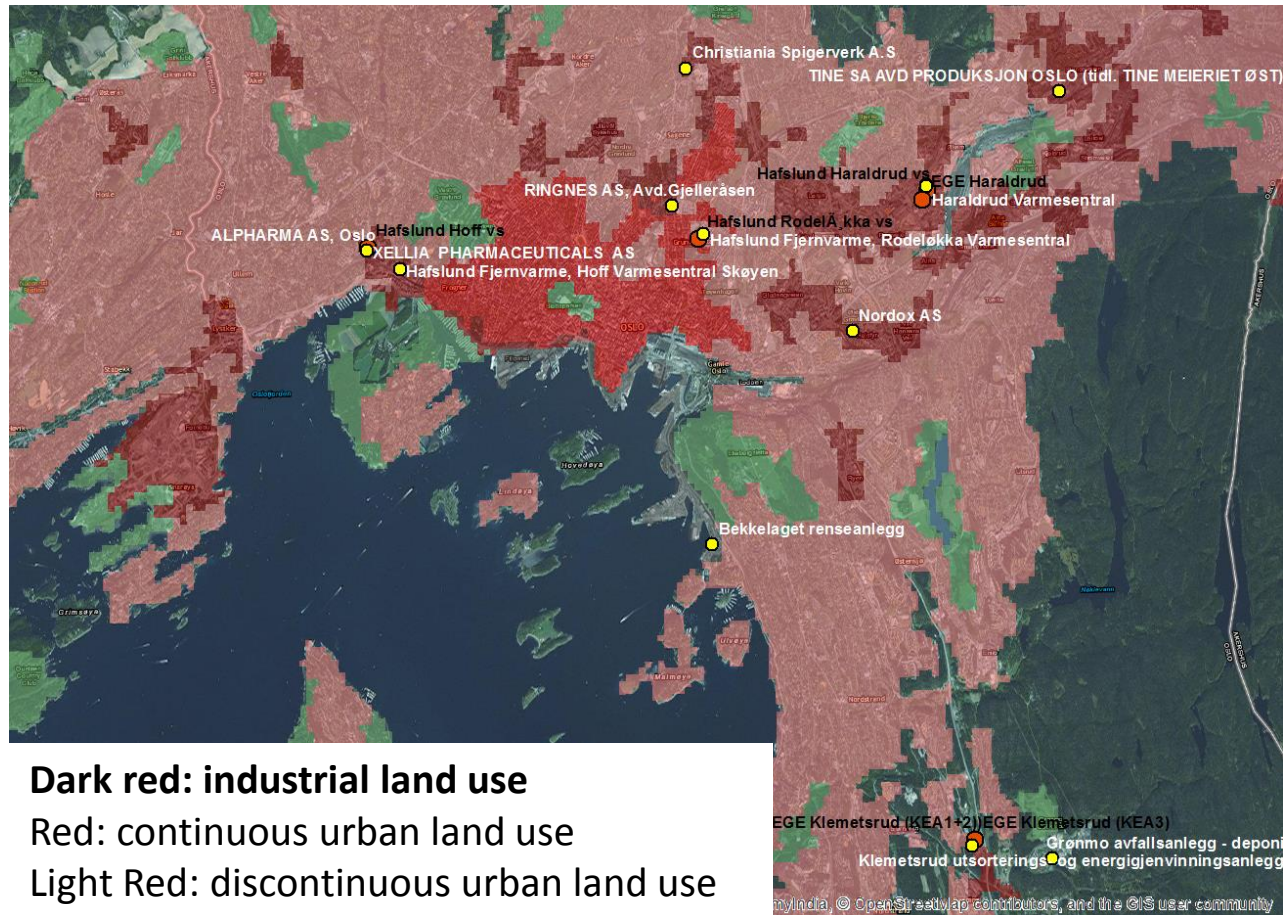
Dark red: industrial land use
Red: continuous urban land use
Light Red: discontinuous urban land use



Industries

- Spatial allocation:

Land Cover examples – CORINE 2006 (Oslo)



Agriculture

Livestock
(NH₃)



Fertilizer/Manure
Application
(NH₃)



Crop Operations
(PM)



Vegetation
(NH₃)



Waste Burning
(PM)



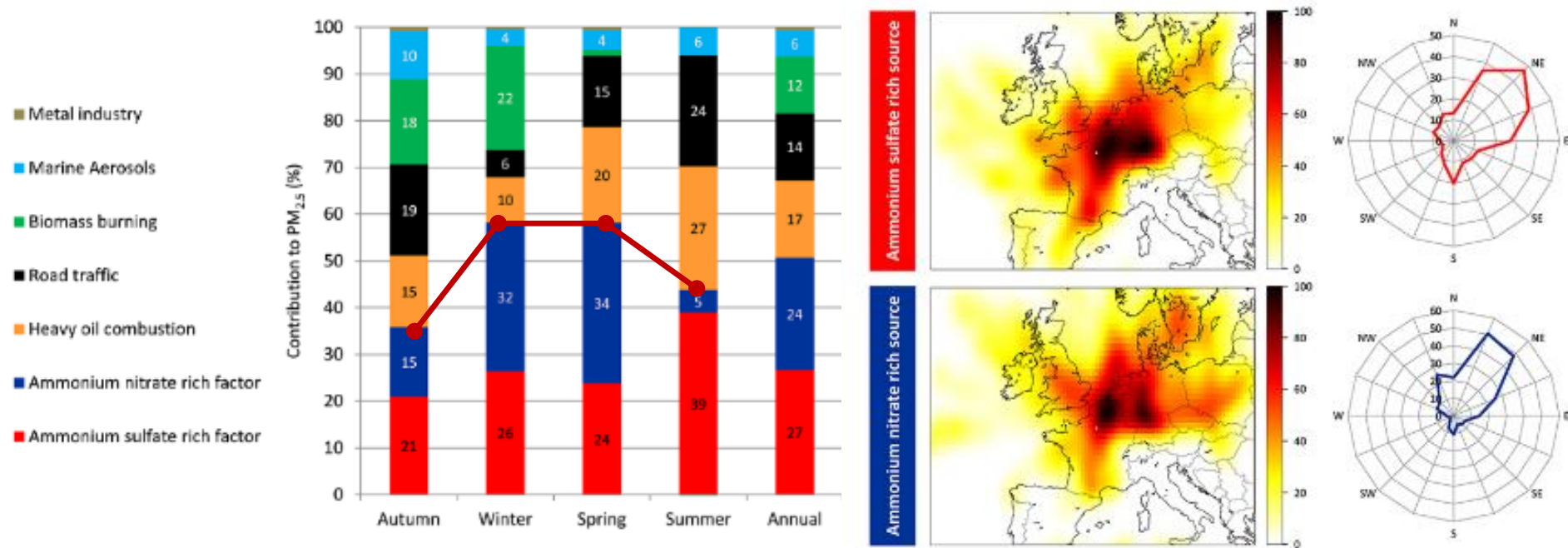
Covered by regional (top-down) annual emission inventories (usually not included in bottom-up urban emission inventories)

Covered by online models (MEGANv2.1, GFASv1.2)

Agriculture

Sources and geographical origins of fine aerosols in Paris (Bressi et al., ACP, 2013):

More than 50% of $PM_{2.5}$ levels are associated with (mid to) long-range transported pollution

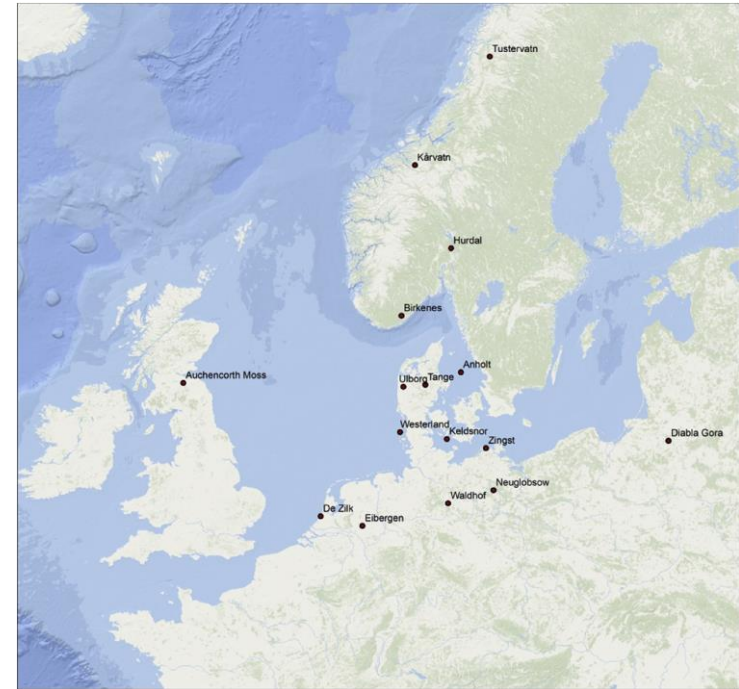
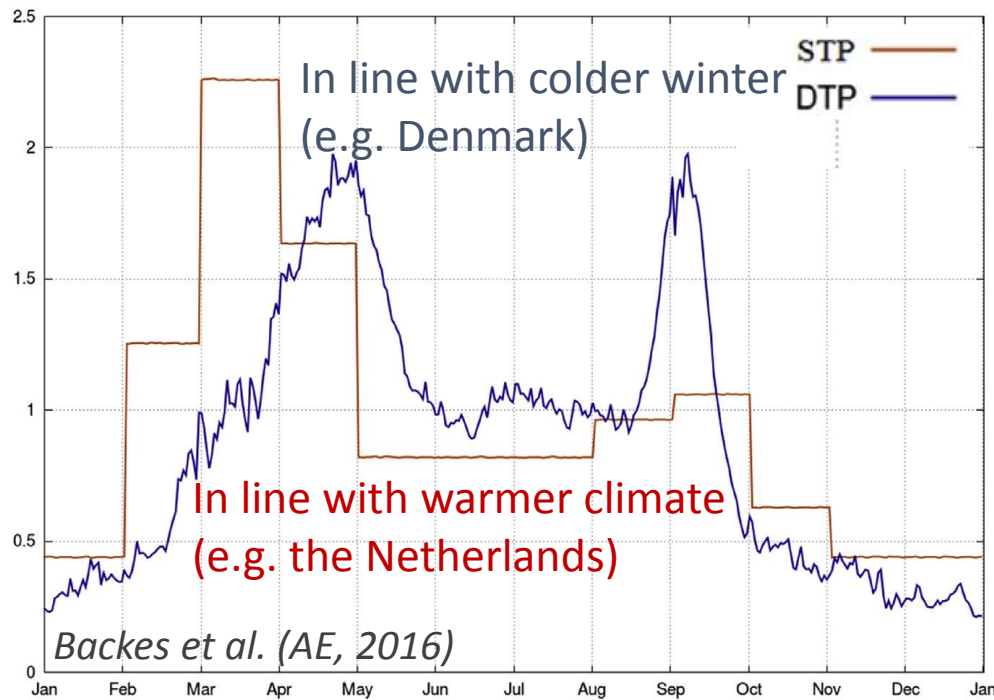


A seasonal pattern strongly influenced by agricultural emissions (meteorology, fertilizer application practices and legal restrictions)

Agriculture

- Temporal allocation:

Is a static (spatially constant) temporal profile representative enough?



STP is the commonly used temporal disaggregation scheme for NH₃ in current CTMs for Europe

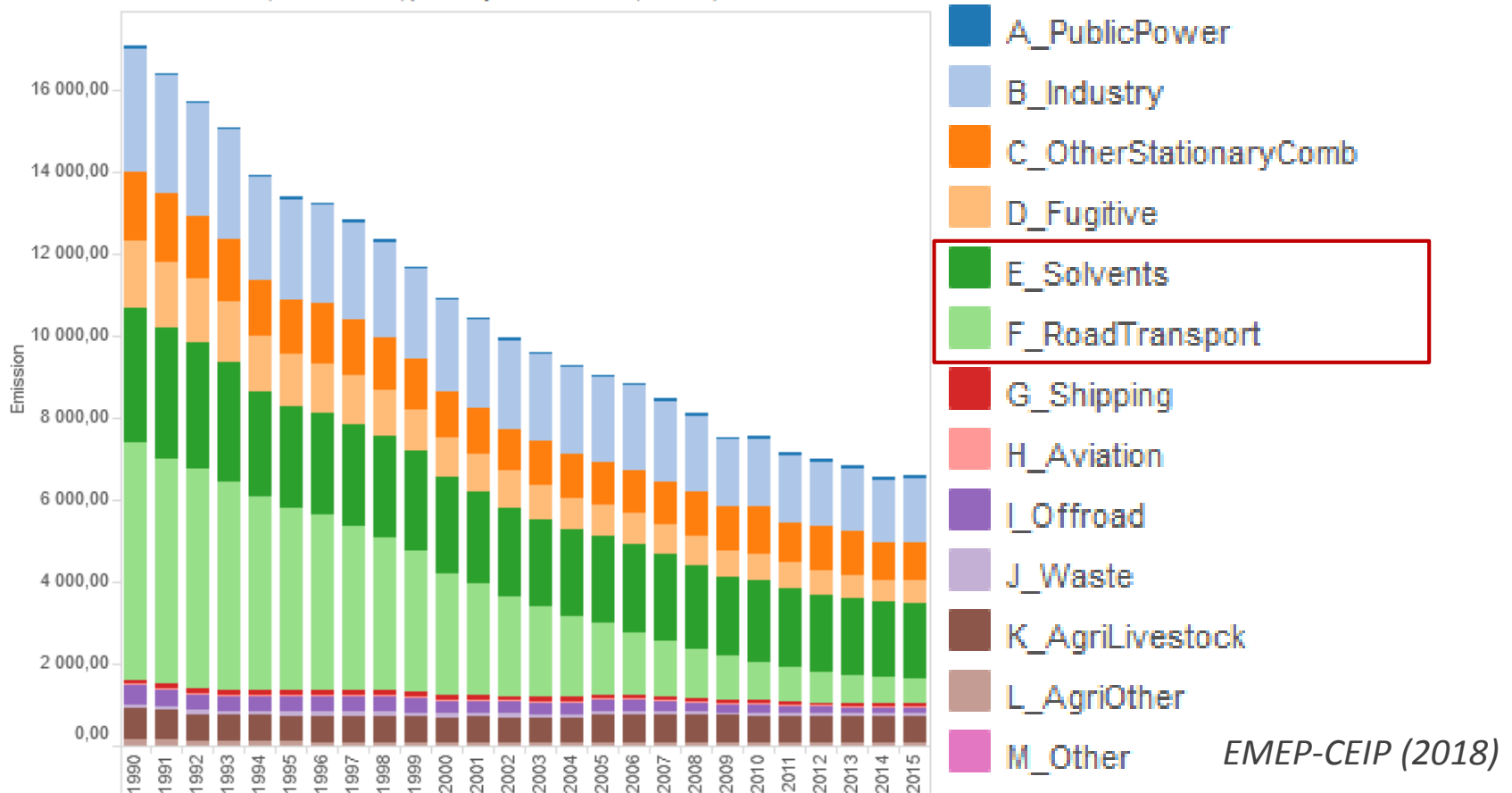
Is there a need for a gridded temporal profile for NH₃ agricultural emissions?

Use of Solvents

Change in inventories of urban NMVOC sources:

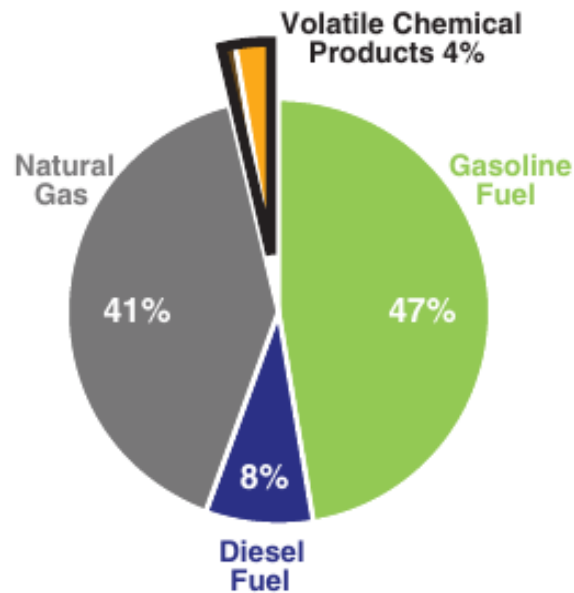
- Transportation emissions have declined rapidly.
- The use of volatile chemical products (VCPs) (e.g. personal care products) now constitutes half of fossil fuel NMVOC emissions

Emissions of NMVOC (kilotonnes), European Union (EU 28)

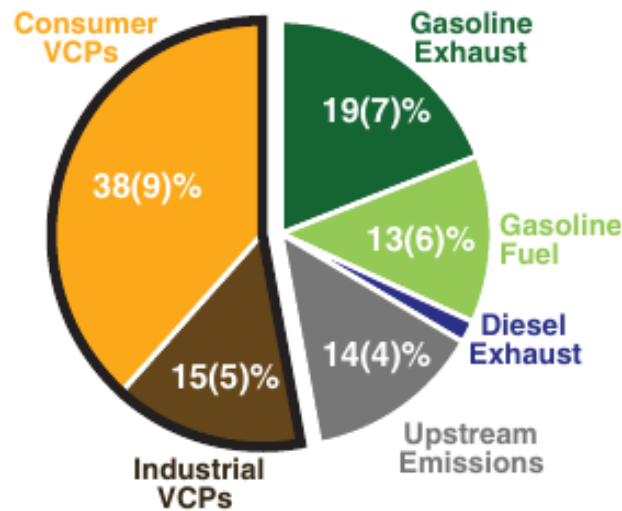


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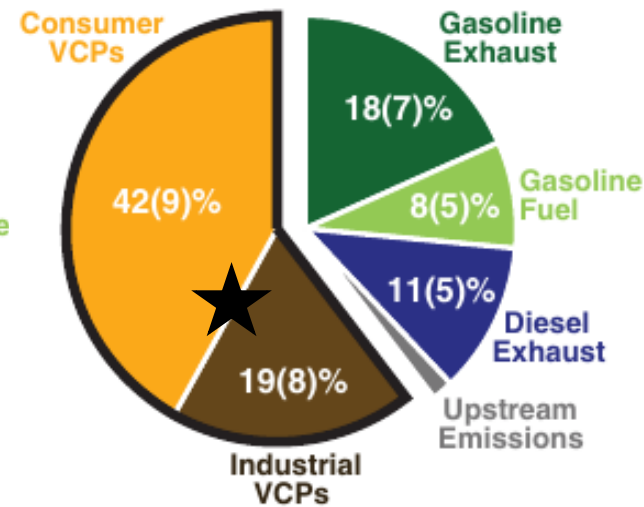
Human exposure to carbonaceous aerosols of fossil origin is transitioning away from transportation-related sources and toward use of VCPs.



Product Use = 37 Tg



VOC Emissions = 350 ± 50 Gg



SOA Potential = 11.5 ± 2.7 Gg

Straight, branched, and cyclic alkanes (42 ± 4%)
Alkenes and terpenes (17 ± 5%)
Aromatics (12 ± 3%)



McDonald et al. (Science, 2018)

Should we focus more on the speciation profiles that we are using?

Urban CO₂ emissions

Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy (2016): Signed by more than 600 cities
→ To reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and **create robust inventories**

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JGR

Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres

RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Large Uncertainties in Urban-Scale Carbon Emissions

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Disagreements between local (bottom-up) and current global emission inventories exceed 100% for large urban areas.

Should we include this pollutant in our to do list?

Points for discussion

Road transport: How do we communicate our findings?

Residential Combustion: Do we need spatial proxies that are more (i) “emission inventory” oriented? (ii) heterogeneous (i.e. take into account local cultural factors)?

Next priorities:

- Industry
 - Agriculture
 - Use of solvents
- Temporal distribution
 - Speciation
- CO₂ in urban areas



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