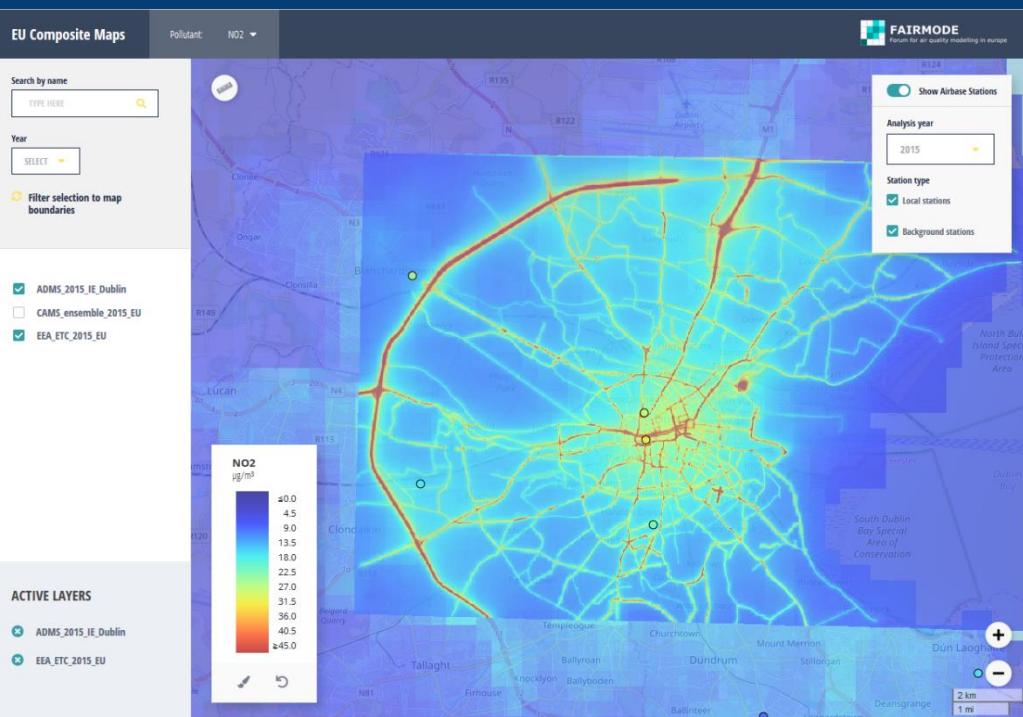


# Base case air quality modelling for Dublin: context and results



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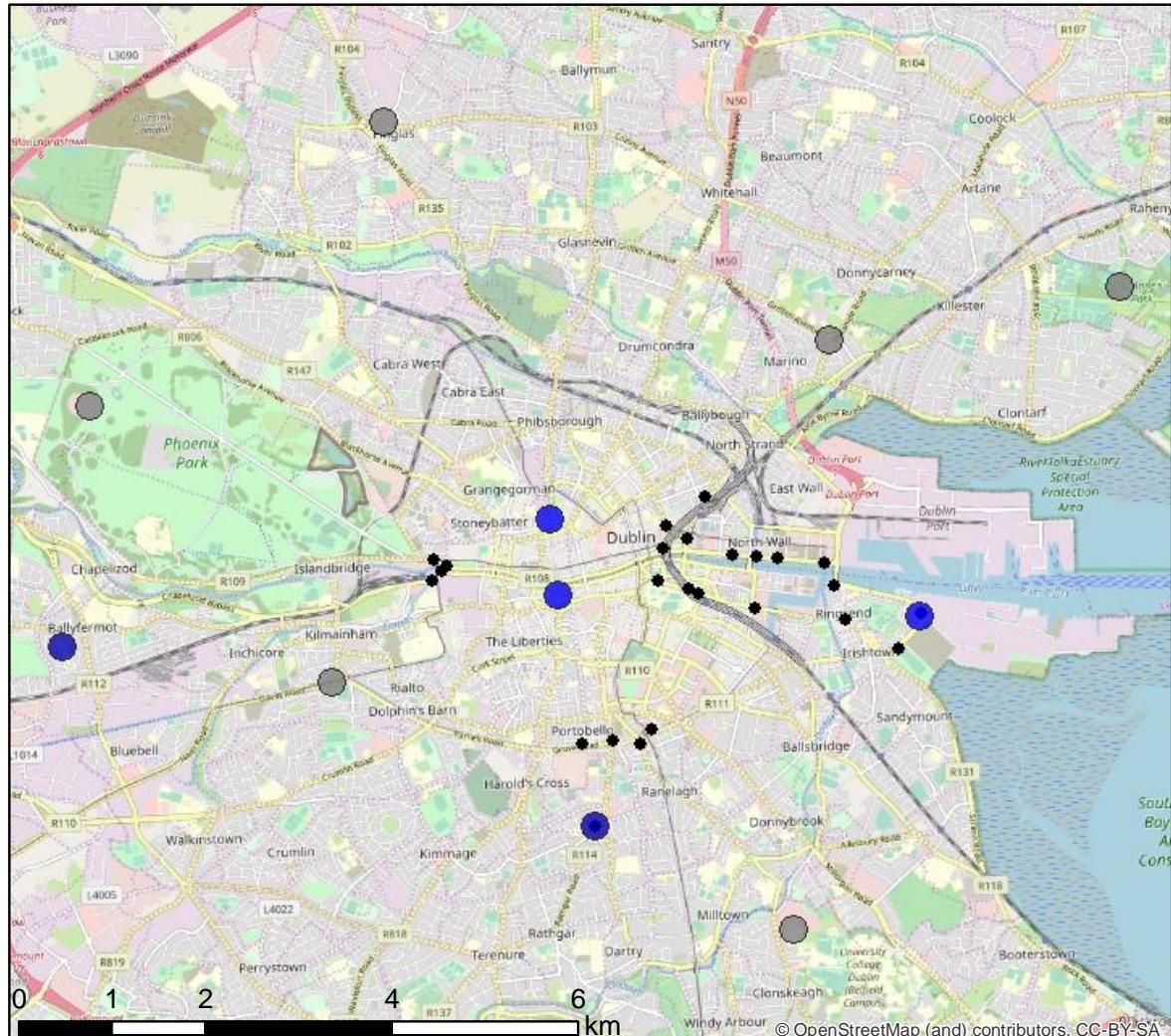
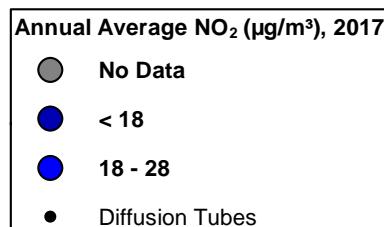
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# Monitoring Sites

Automatic Monitoring Sites and Diffusion Tubes in Dublin, 2015 & 2017

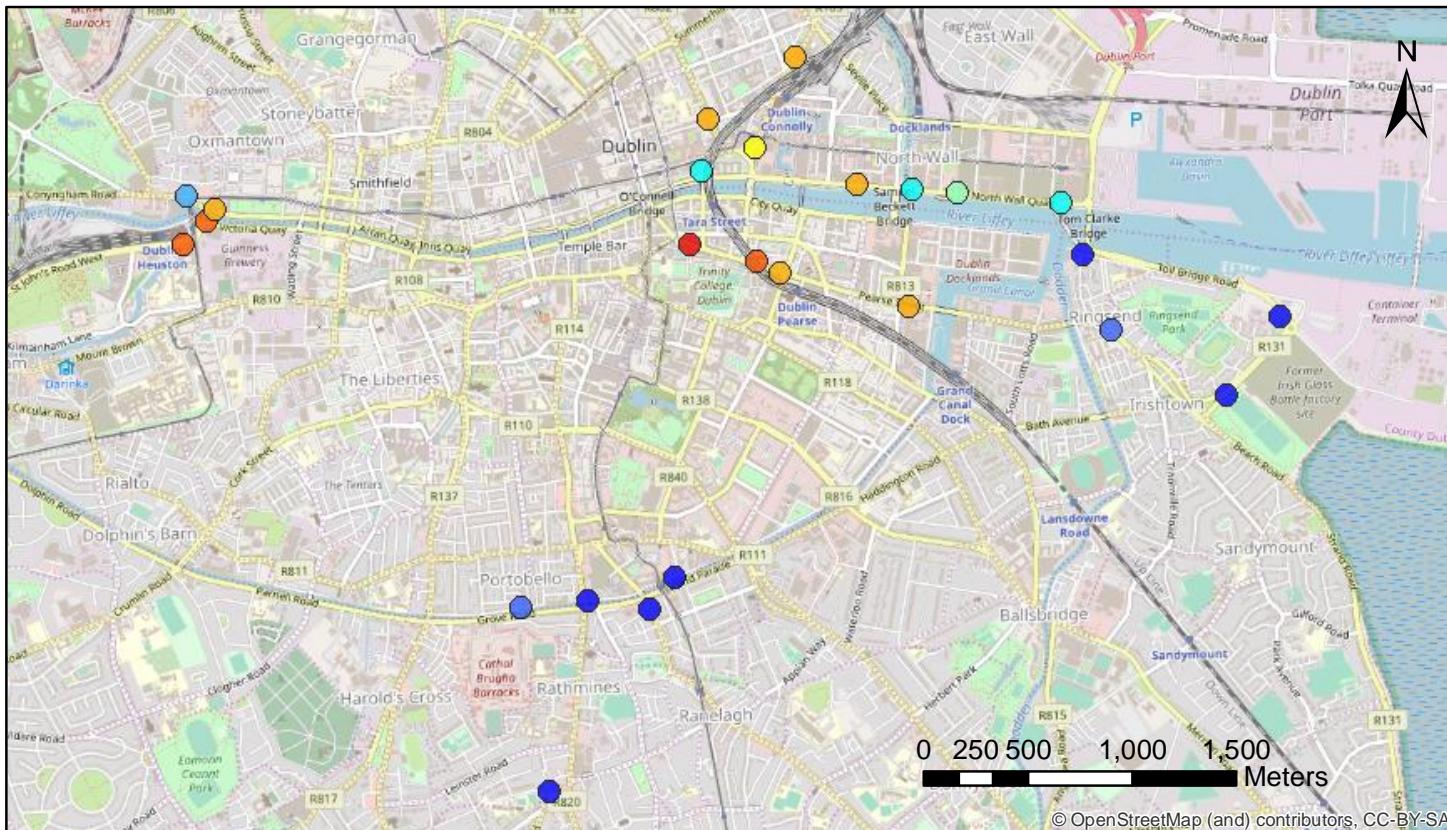
- Type:
  - 4 roadside
  - 2 suburban
  - 5 urban background
  - 25 diffusion tubes (2017 only)
- Temporal data capture:
  - Mostly hourly
  - Some daily PM

National  
Ambient Air  
Quality  
Network



# Monitoring Sites

Diffusion Tube Sites, 2017



EPA data

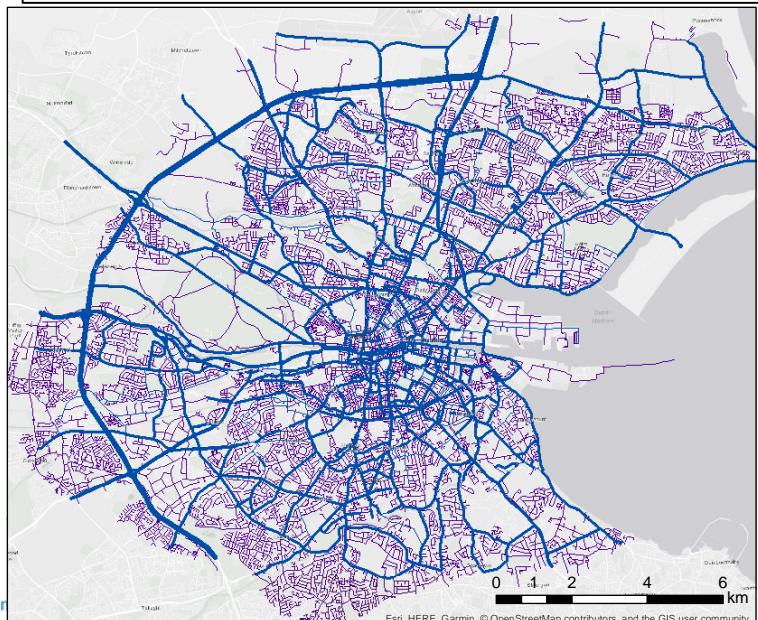
Annual Average NO<sub>2</sub> ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )

- < 28
- 28 - 30
- 30 - 35
- 35 - 38
- 38 - 40
- 40 - 45
- 45 - 50
- 50 - 60
- > 60

# Dispersion model (ADMS-Urban): Inputs

- **Emissions:**
  - Road traffic emissions
  - Industrial emissions
  - National Emissions mapping model
- Meteorological data
- Background pollutant data

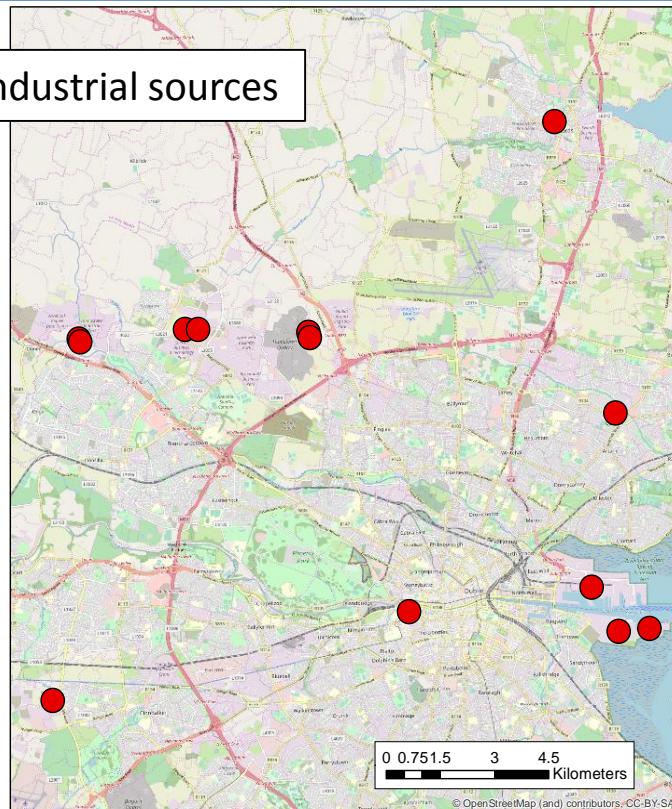
Modelled traffic (as used by noise model)



Explicitly modelled industrial sources

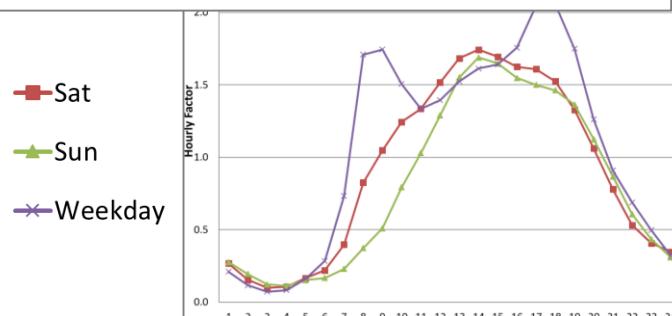
EPA

Industrial Sources



DCC SCATS  
traffic  
management  
system

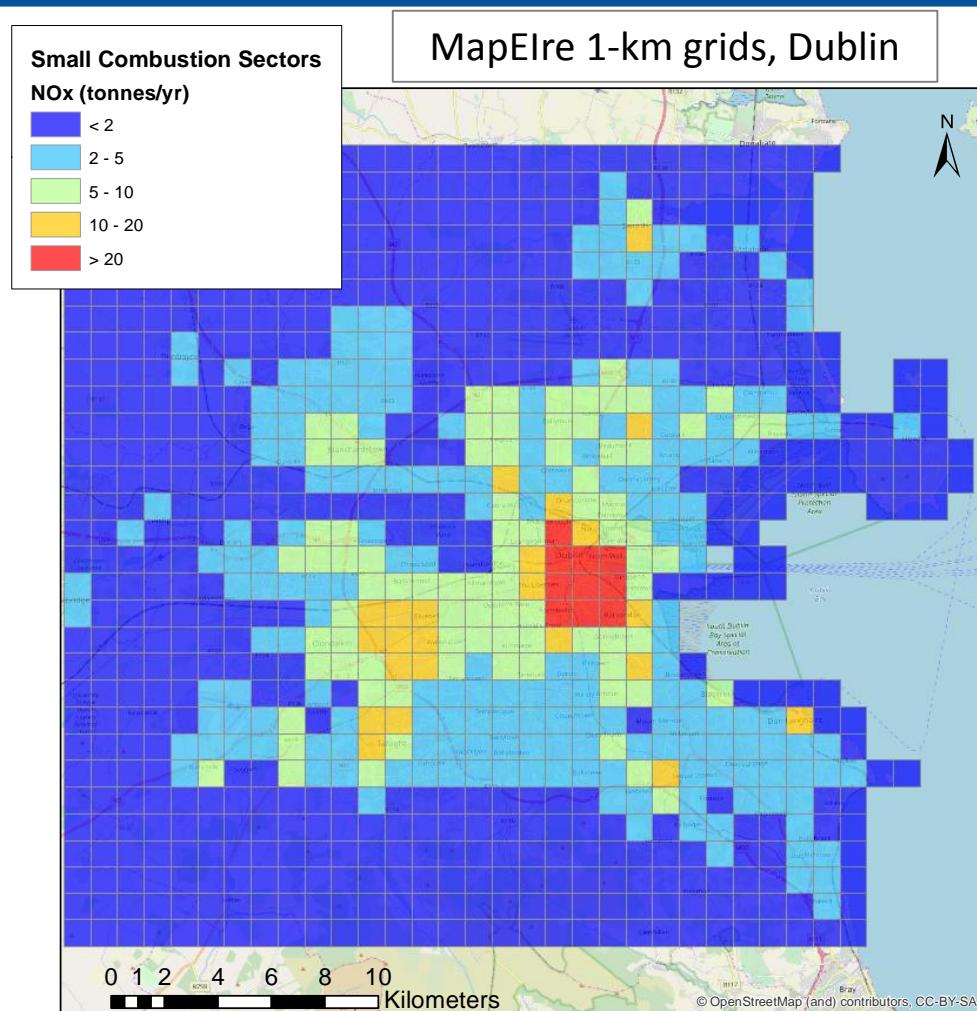
Diurnal profiles for road traffic emissions  
(data from Transport Infrastructure Ireland)



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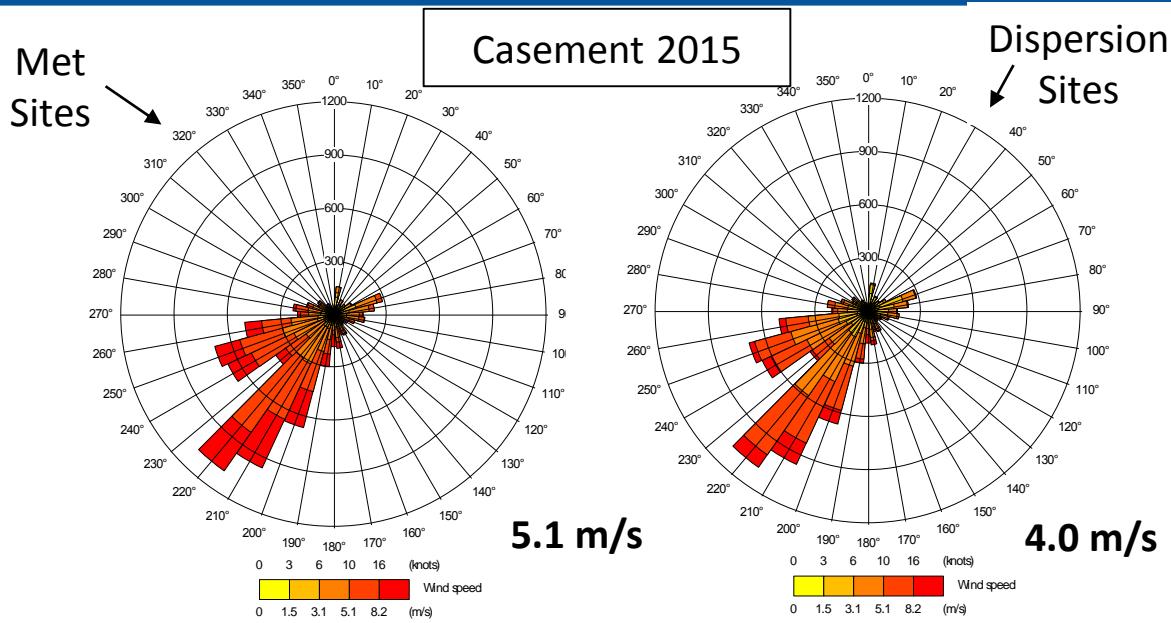
**1 km data for all sectors** (power, industry, other stationary combustion, solvents, road transport, off-road transport, fugitive emissions, waste, aviation, shipping, livestock, other agriculture, land use)



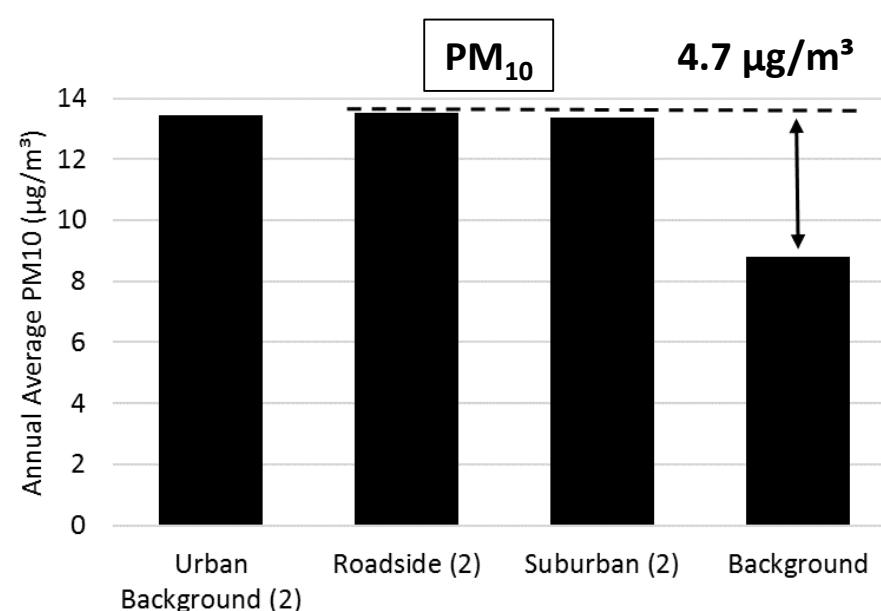
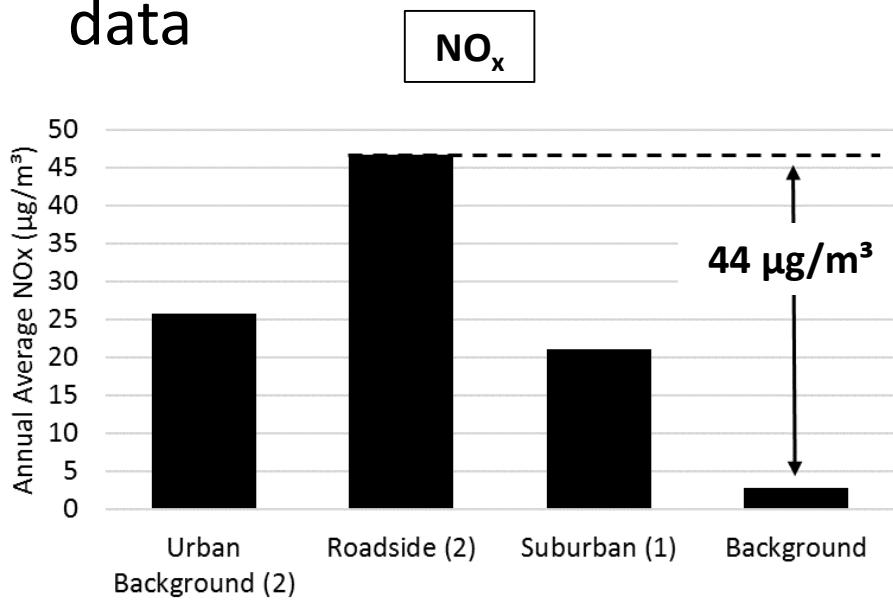
Aarhus University - MapElre:  
<https://projects.au.dk/mapeire/>

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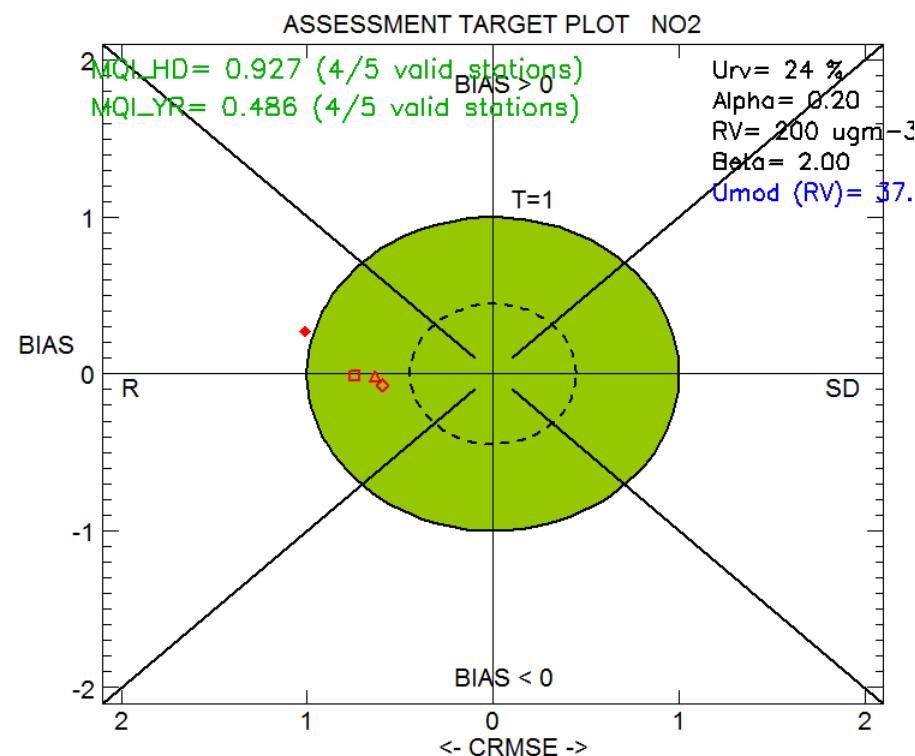
- Emissions
- Meteorological data:
  - Casement Airport



- Background pollutant data



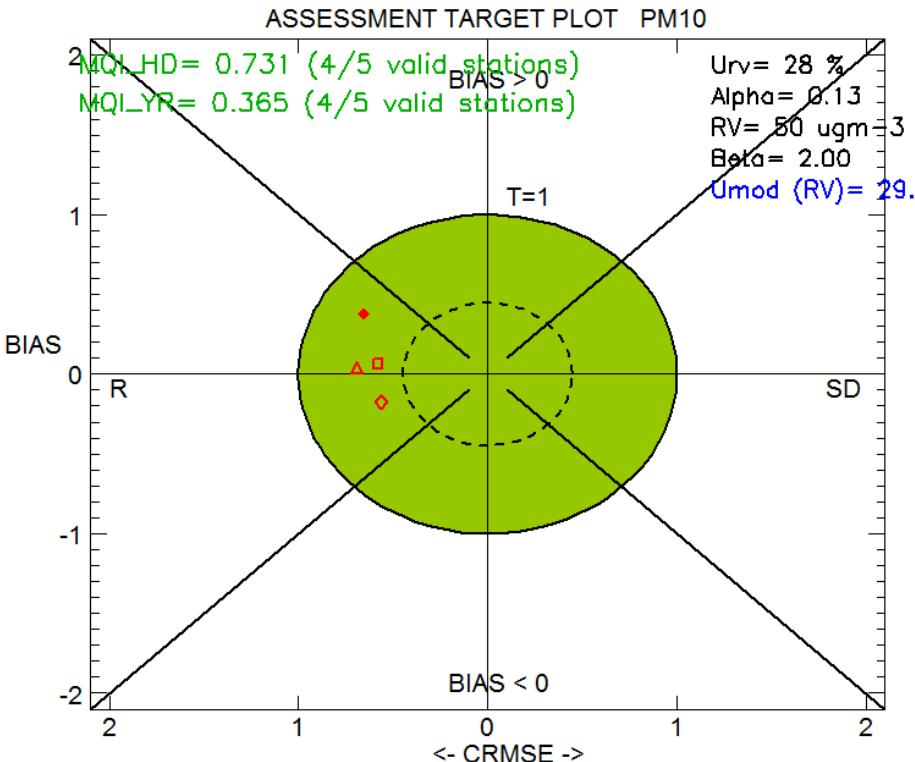
# Model verification: Delta Tool



- ◆ Ballyfermot
- ColeraineSt
- ▲ Rathmines
- ◆ WinetavernSt

**NO<sub>2</sub>**

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 Model (s): ADMS  
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 Day hours: All 24h  
 Time Average: Preserved  
 Daily stats: preserved

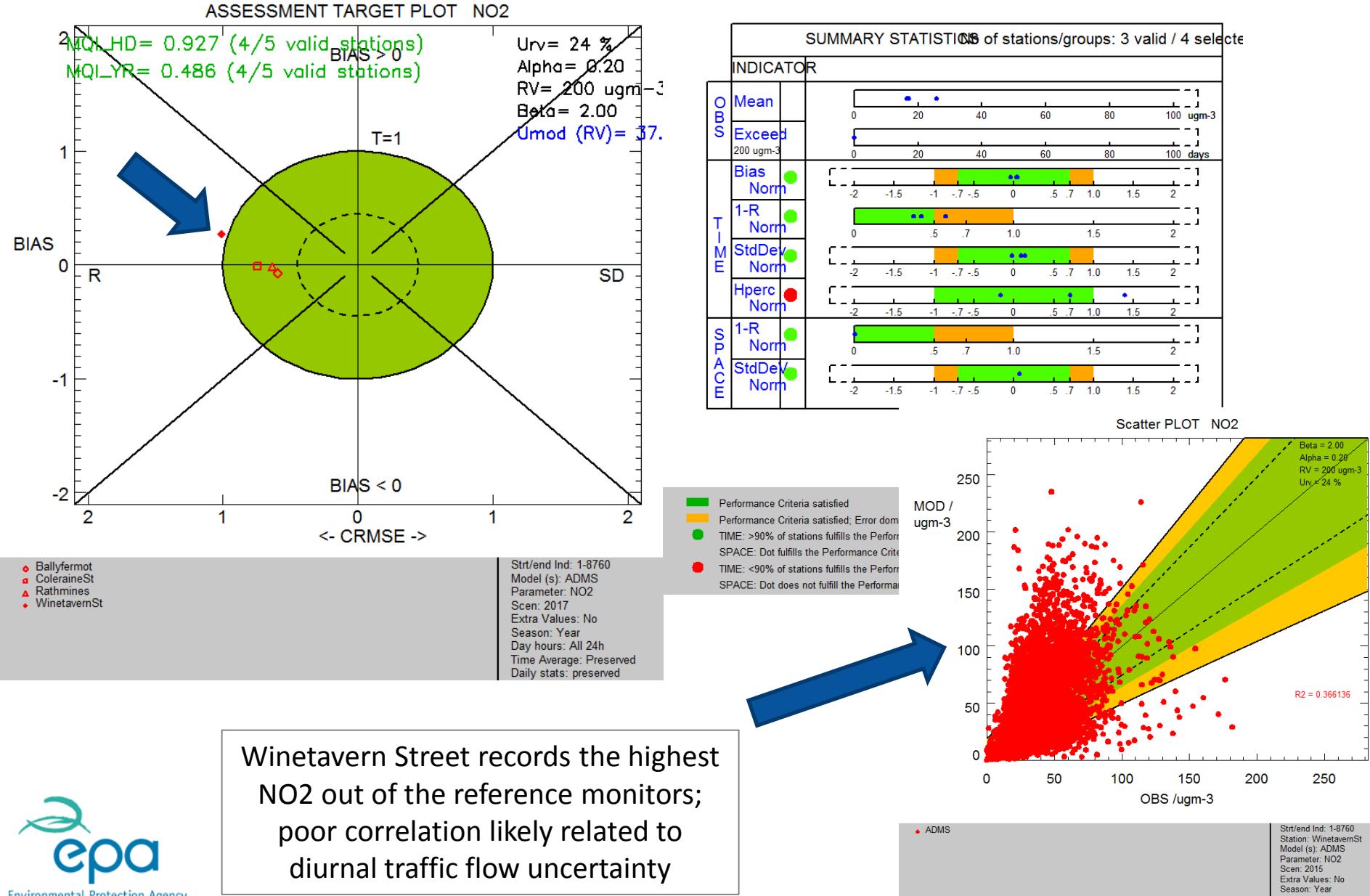


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- PhoenixPark
- ▲ Rathmines
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**PM<sub>10</sub>**

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 Daily stats: Mean

# Model verification: Delta Tool



# EU Composite Map showing results

EU Composite Maps

Pollutant: NO<sub>2</sub>

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Filter selection to map boundaries

ADMS\_2015\_IE\_Dublin

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ACTIVE LAYERS

EEA\_ETC\_2015\_EU

2015 NO<sub>2</sub>

Show Airbase Stations

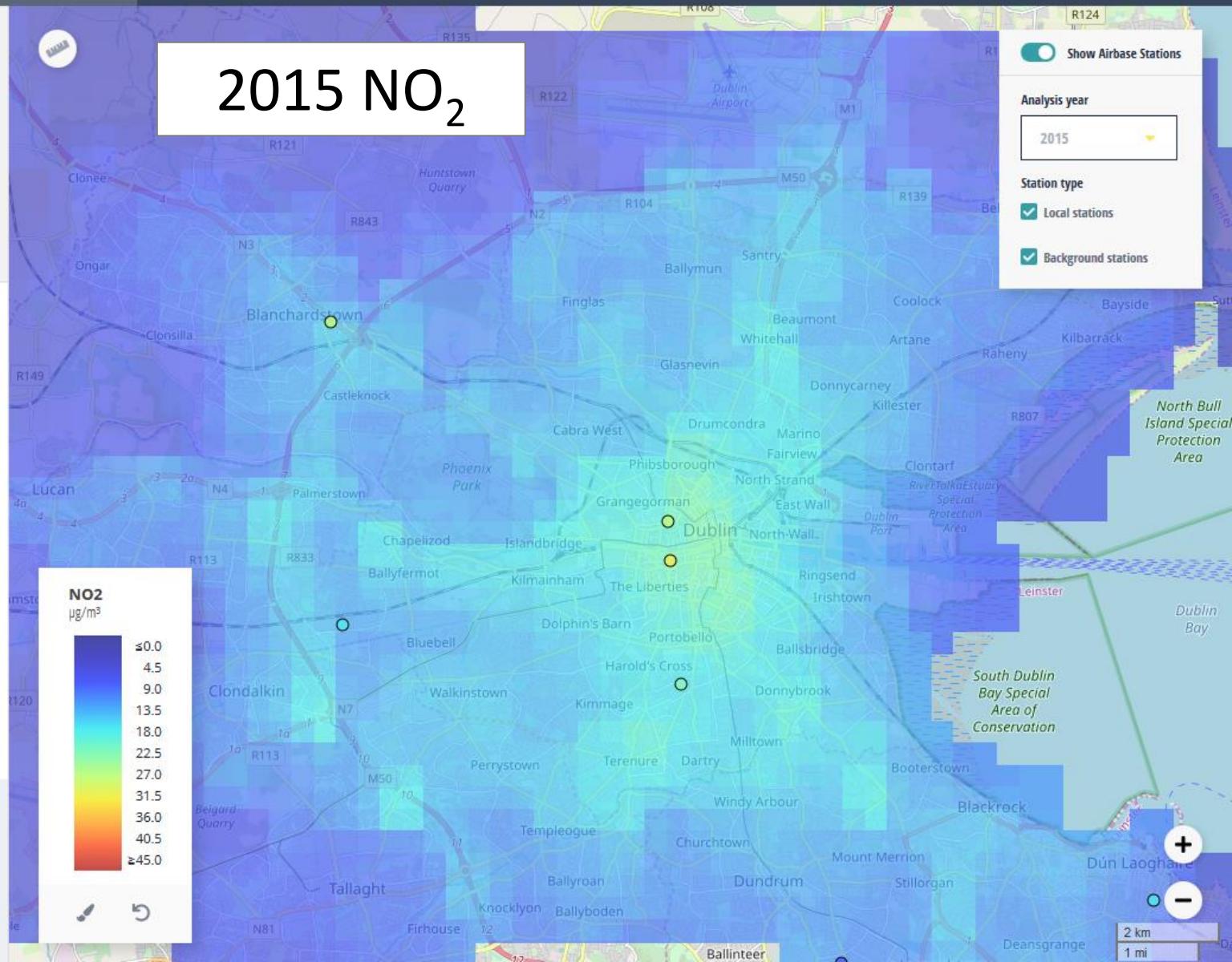
Analysis year

2015

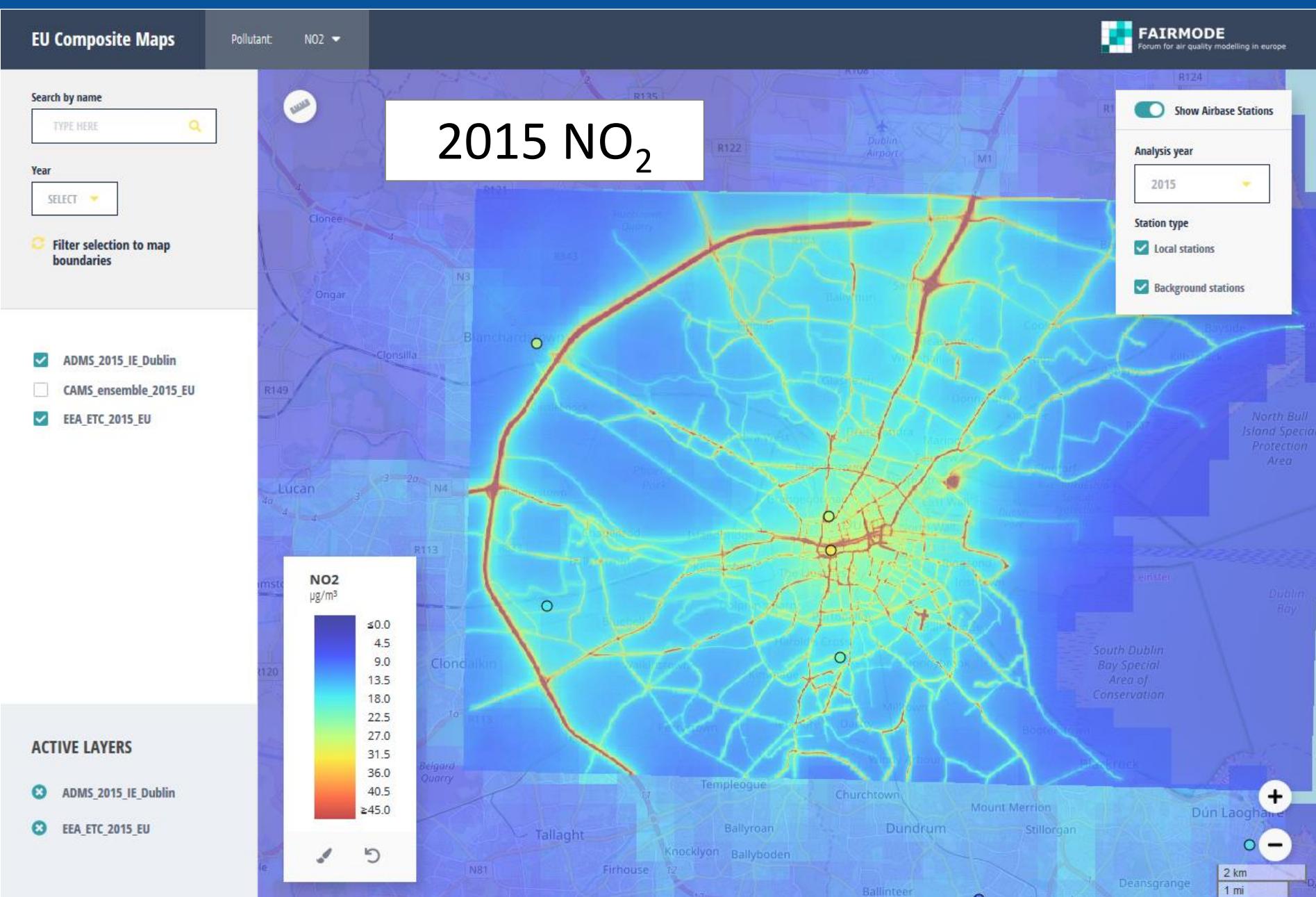
Station type

Local stations

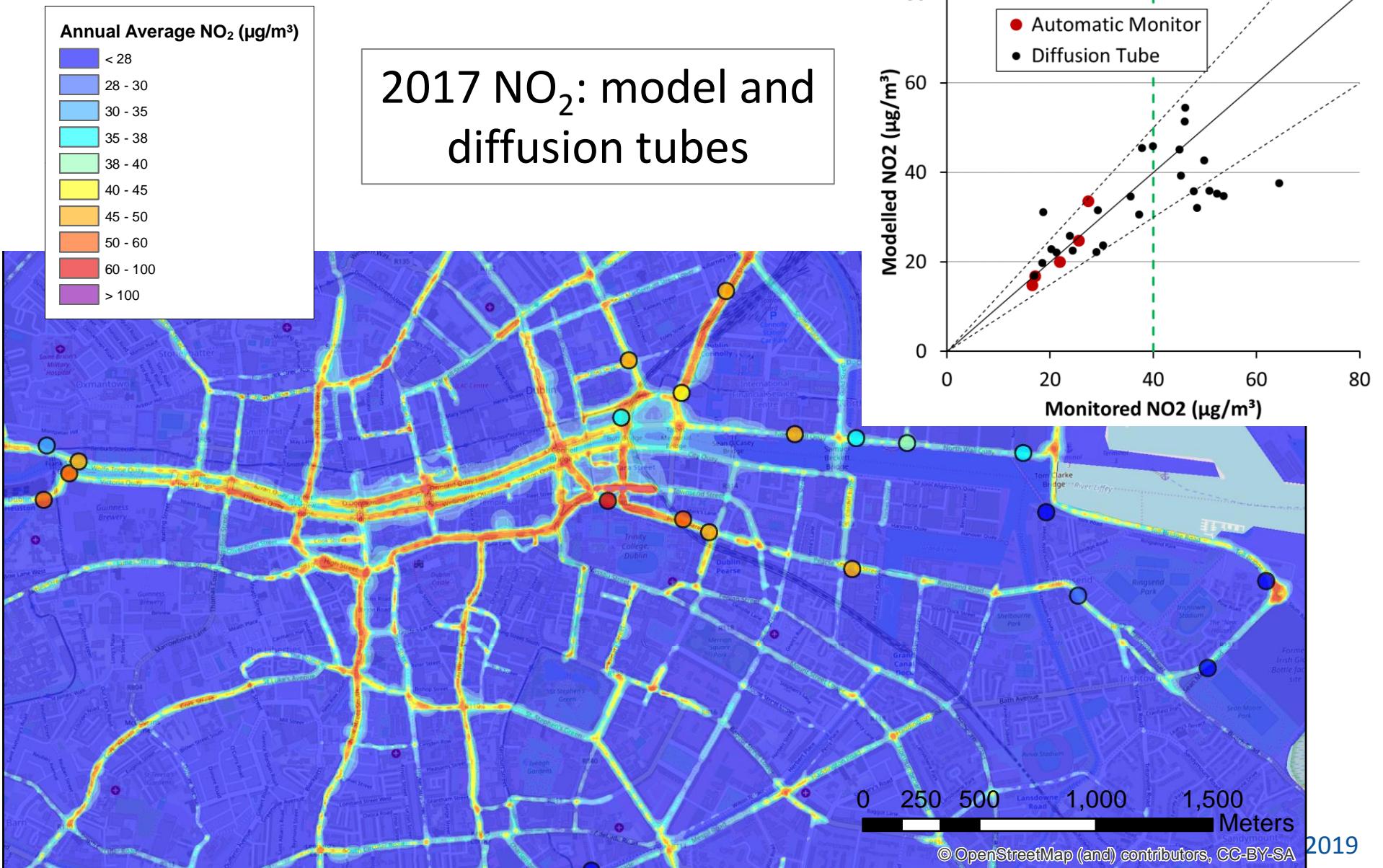
Background stations



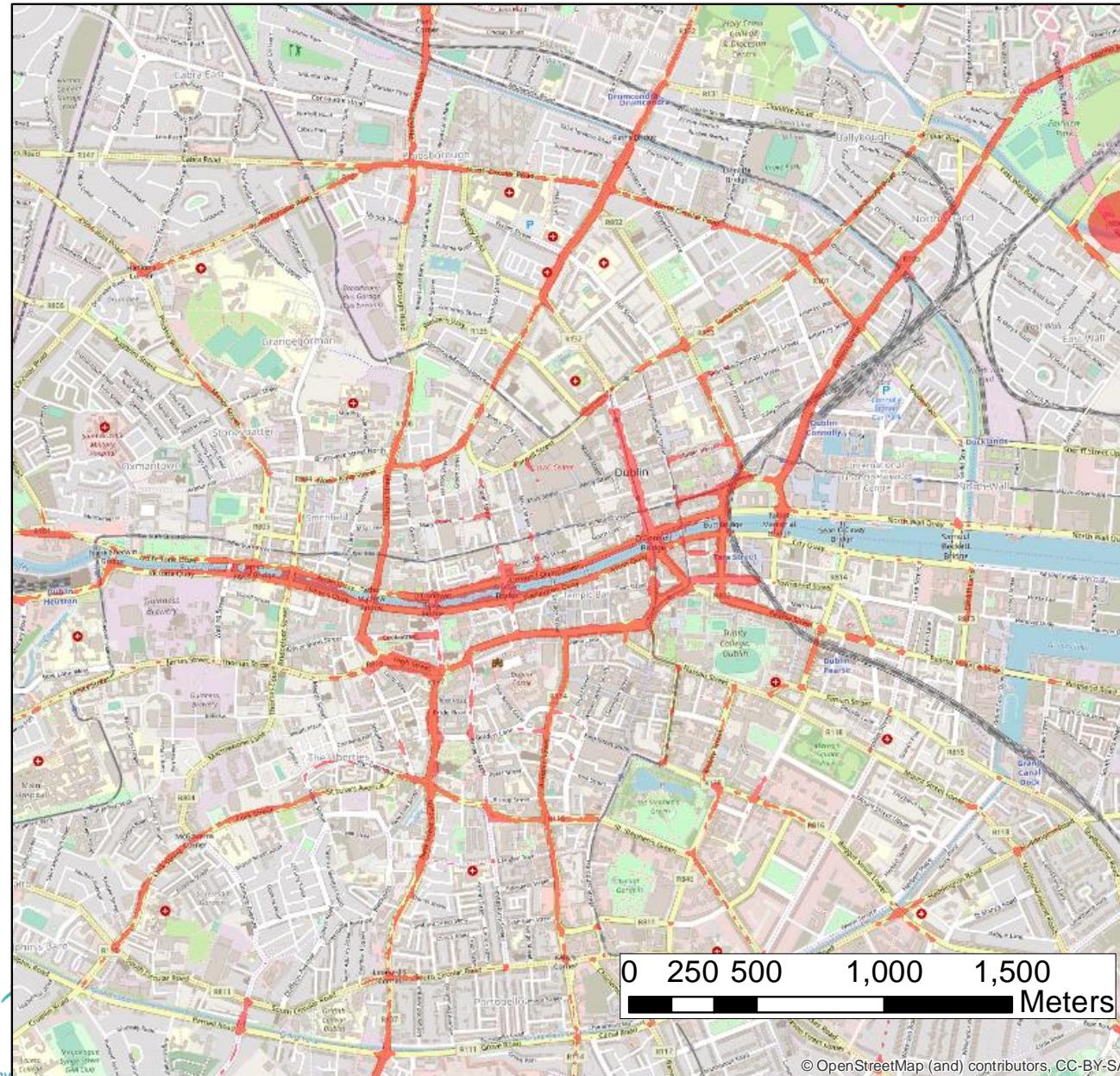
# EU Composite Map showing results



# Model comparisons with diffusion tubes



# Modelled exceedance areas



2017 NO<sub>2</sub>:  
modelled  
areas of  
exceedence

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# Progress in relation to pilot exercise

## Assessment phase

The assessment phase consists in checking the quality of the air quality modelling chain by:

- 1 Ensuring that the model applications fulfill the modeling quality objectives (WG1); 
- 2 Participating in the air quality composite mapping exercise to check consistency with neighboring AQ maps or other maps for the same area (WG1); 
- 3 Participating in the emission composite mapping exercise to check consistency with neighboring emission maps, other maps for the same area and top-down EU wide emission maps (WG2);
- 3 Benchmarking the emission totals via the methodologies developed in WG2.