

Panorama Actual de las Ciencias Atmosféricas 2015

Atmospheric Sciences in Urban Regions

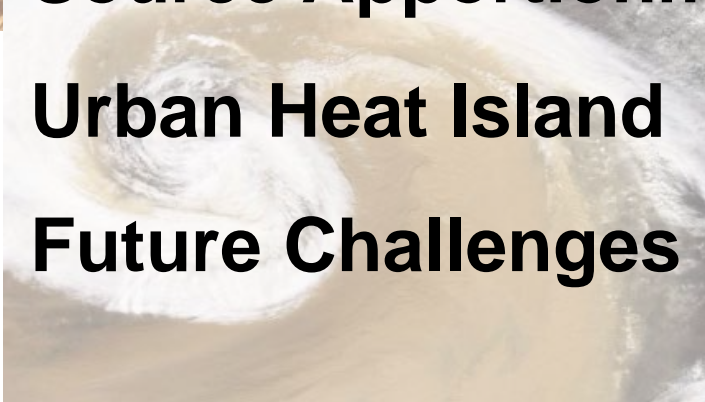
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Overview

- Introduction
- Driving Forces
- Source Apportionment - regional
- Source Apportionment - local
- Urban Heat Island
- Future Challenges



Urban Settlements

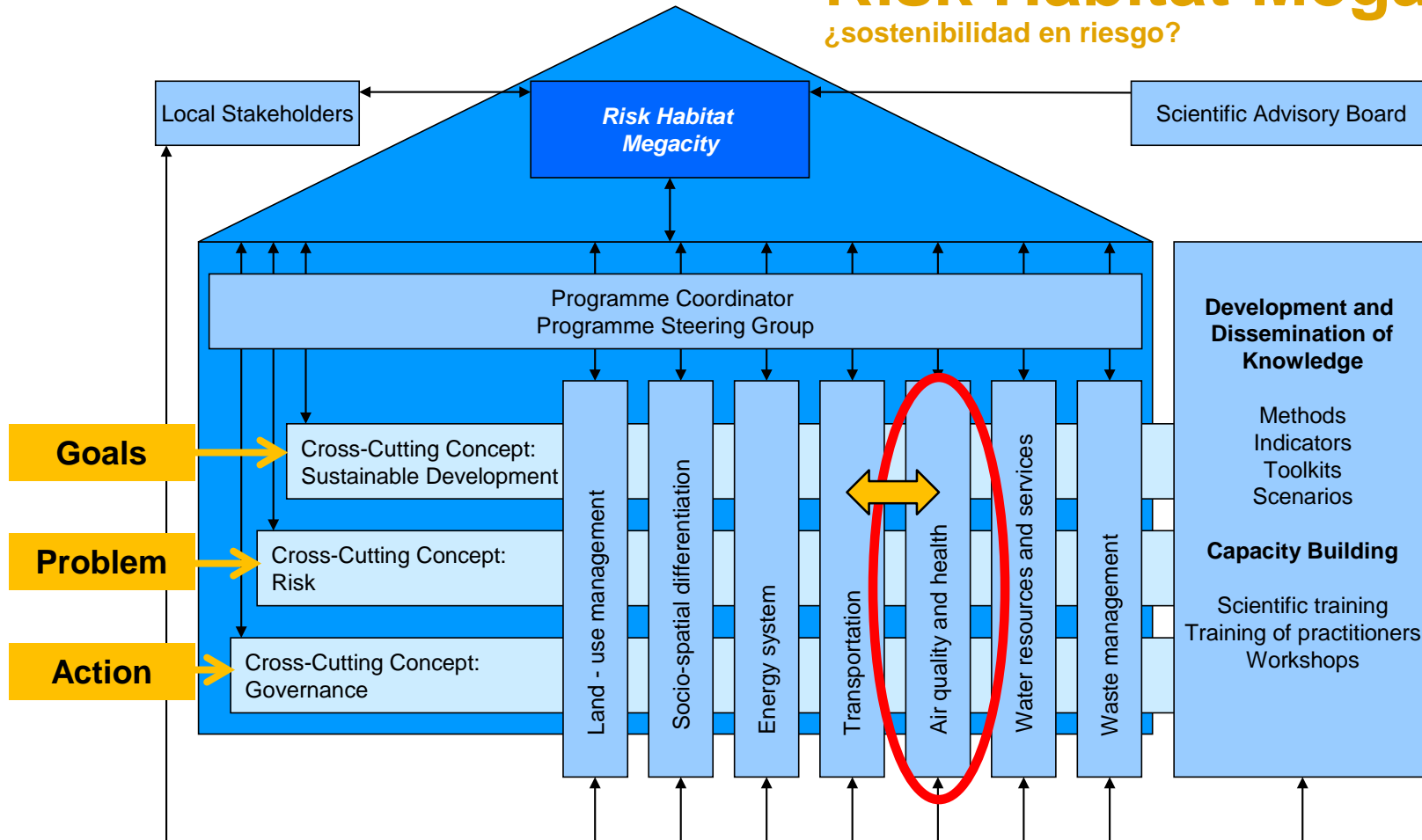
- In 1900 about **3 %** of the worlds population lived in cities; **33 %** in the 50s - since 2007 more than **50 %**; and 3 out of 5 in 2030
- **15 %** of the urban population live in Mega-Cities (>10 Mill.)
- Urban emissions have a significant impact on global greenhouse emissions (**5-10 %**, Butler et al. 2012)
- About **75 %** of the material flow is realized in cities
- Urban emissions have a severe impact on air quality and regional climate (Hodzic et al. 2010, Kanakidou et al. 2012, Parrish & Zhu 2009)
- Climate change have/will have a strong impact on urban agglomerations (e.g. heat island effect) and related processes
- Air pollution levels in urban areas depend not only on local emissions but also on regional emissions (e.g. BVOC, Papiez et al. 2009)

- Quality of life (→ health-related; atmosphere, water, biosphere, soil)
- Climate change (→ extreme weather)
- Demographic change (→ adaptation needs)
- Mobility (→ general mobility; modal split)
- Management of natural and anthropogenic risks (→ flooding; mudslides)
- Increasingly scarce resources (→ construction material)
- Sustainable development (→ city planning and construction)

What we have learned from ...

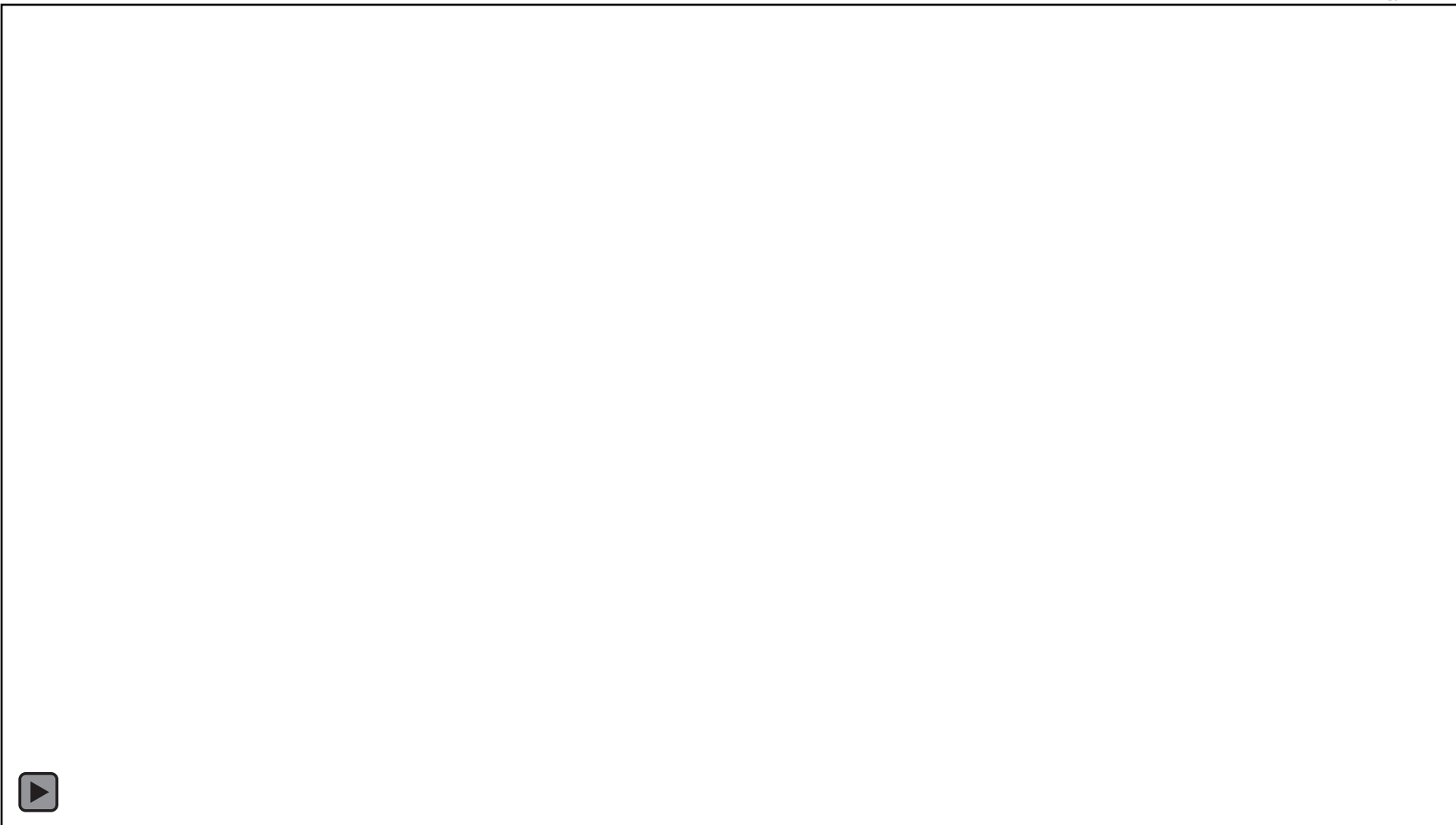
Risk Habitat Megacity

¿sostenibilidad en riesgo?

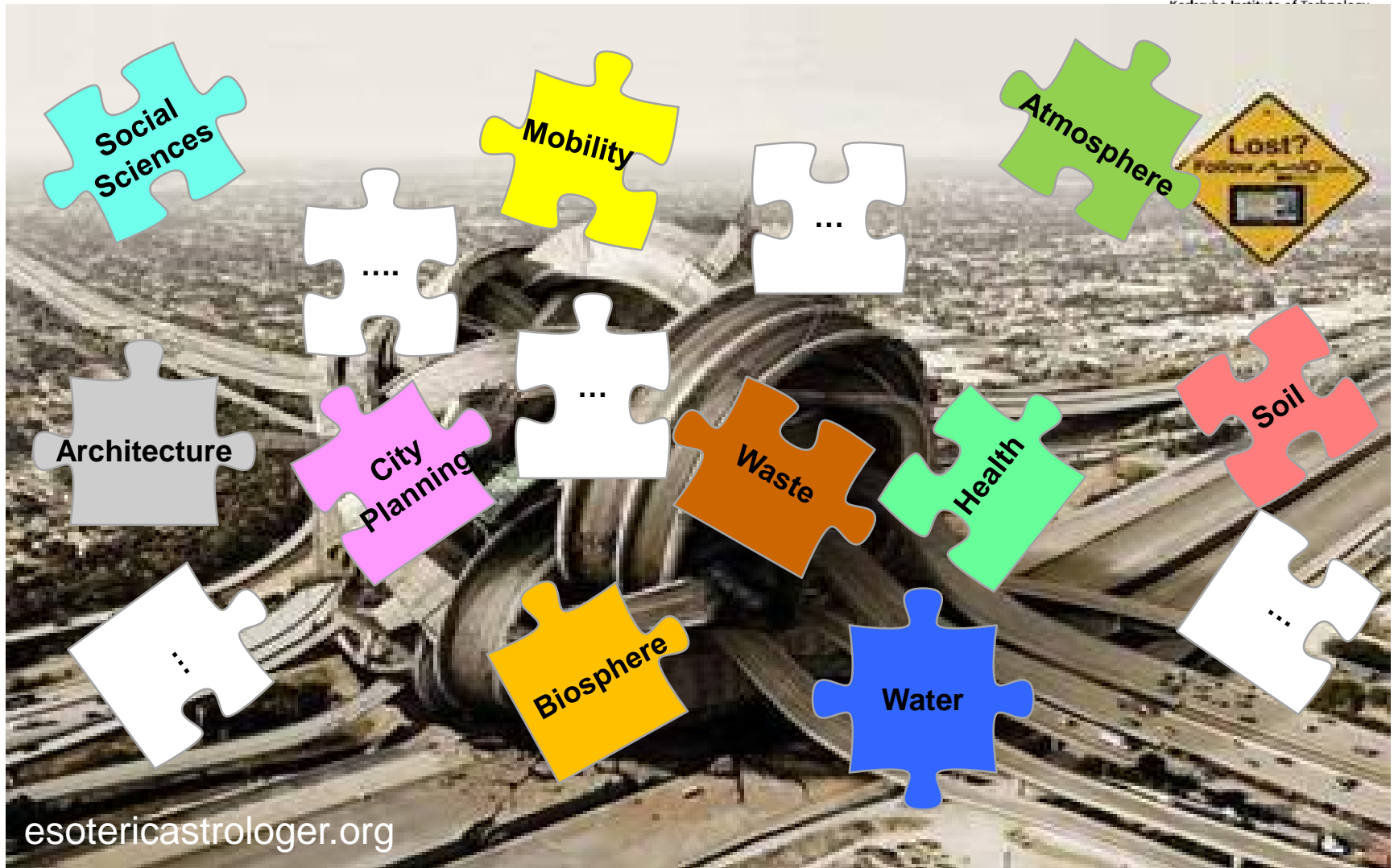


<http://www.ufz.de/risk-habitat-megacity/index.php?de=15003>

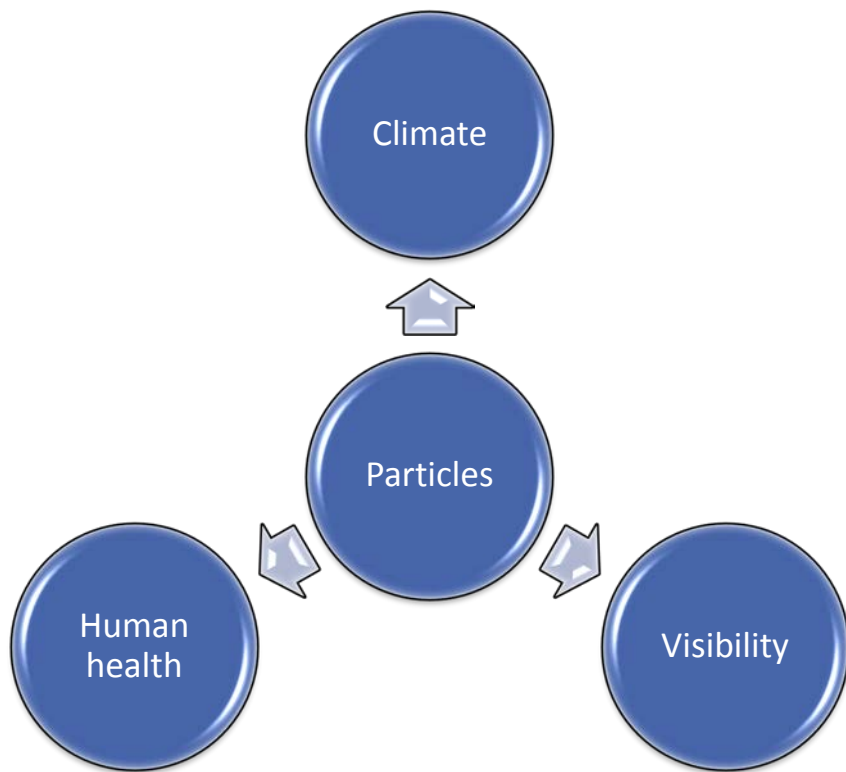
City of Tomorrow



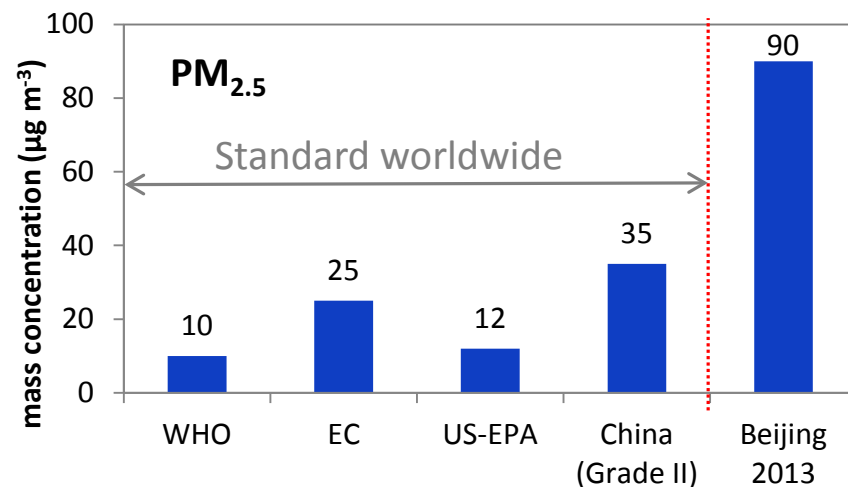
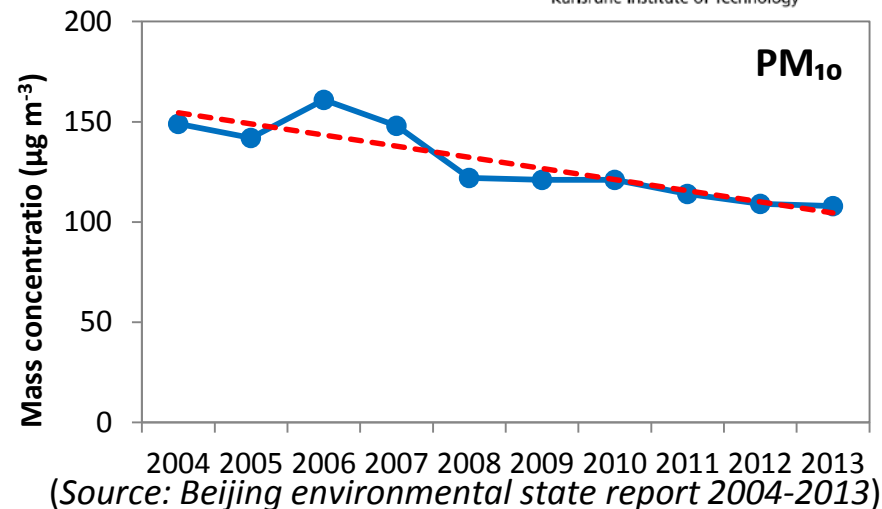
Complex System



Background: Example Beijing



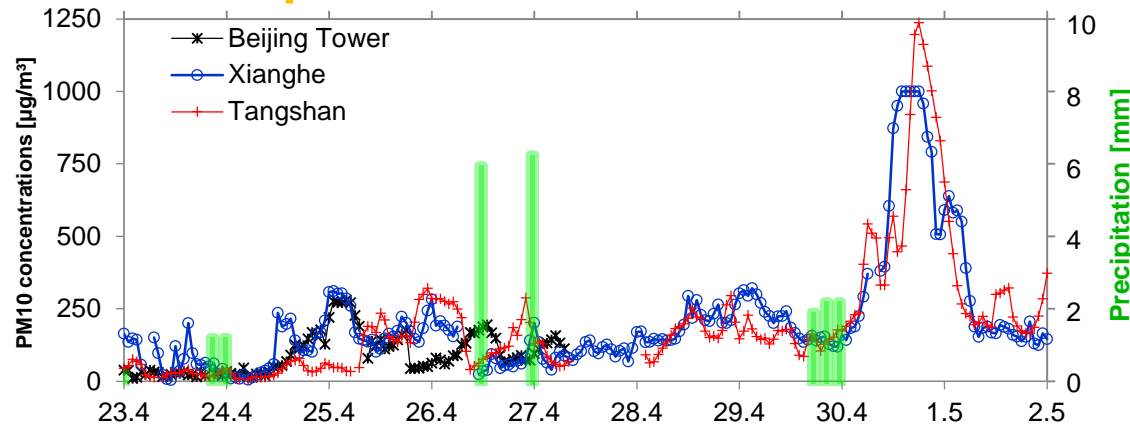
Source: Dr. Rongrong Shen



• Annual PM₁₀ ↓ but PM_{2.5} still high level

Source Apportionment: Regional Investigations

reported dust events



PhD Thesis Stephanie Schrader, 2014:
Assessment of the impact of mineral dust on air quality in Northern China by using COSMO-ART model in conjunction with satellite and ground-based data

Aim: Investigation of the impact of natural and anthropogenic gases and aerosols on the state of the atmosphere on regional to continental scales

- **Meteorology:** COSMO weather forecast model of the German Weather Service
- **Gases & Aerosols:** simulation in ART (developed at KIT) of 80 gaseous species, 5 anthropogenic aerosol modes, mineral dust, sea salt and pollen
- **Feedbacks:** meteorology, aerosols, gas phase, dynamics, clouds

Source Apportionment: Local Impact at Beijing

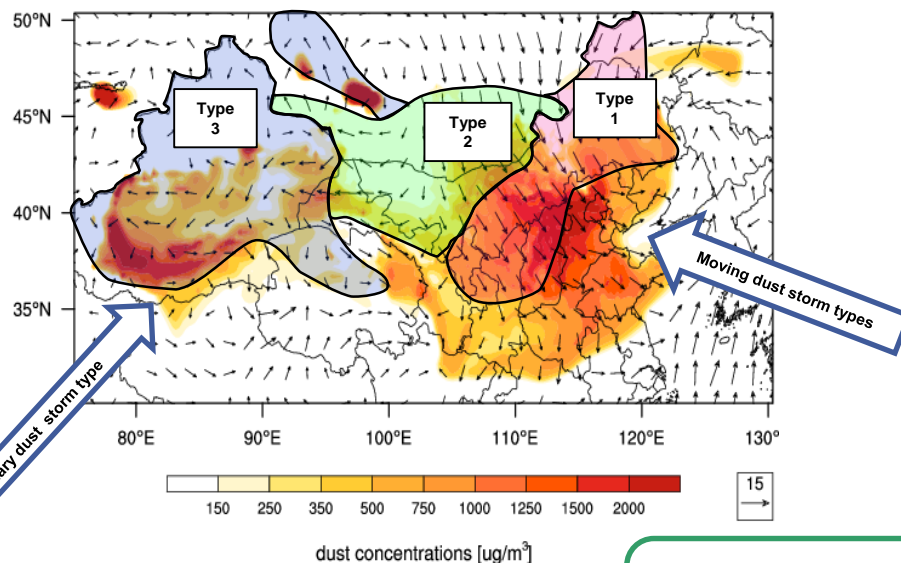
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Photos by Stefan Norra

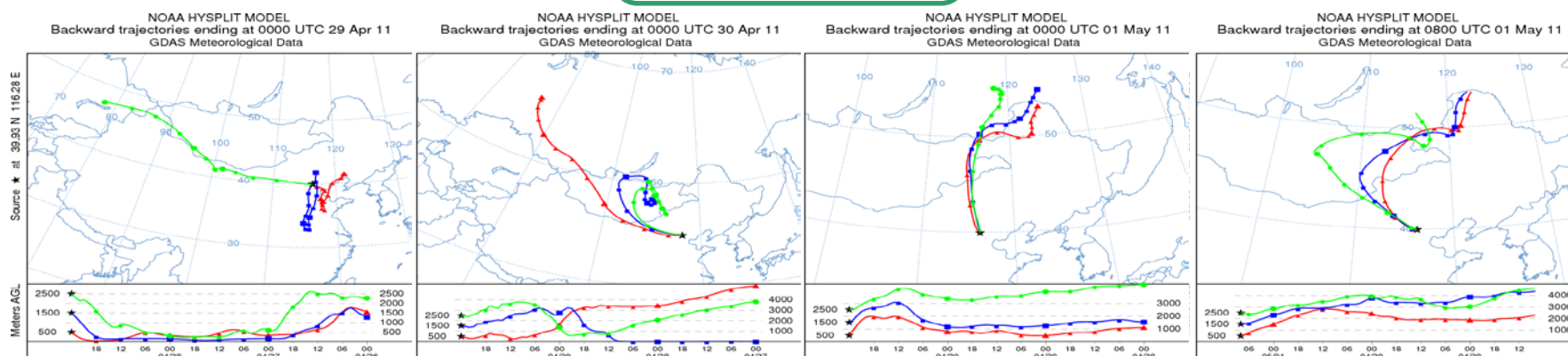


Source Apportionment: Regional Identification

- Analysis on $PM_{2.5}$ and PM_{10} source attribution
- Impact of geogenic / anthropogenic emissions on local/regional air quality
- COSMO-ART can now be used for mineral dust forecast in China

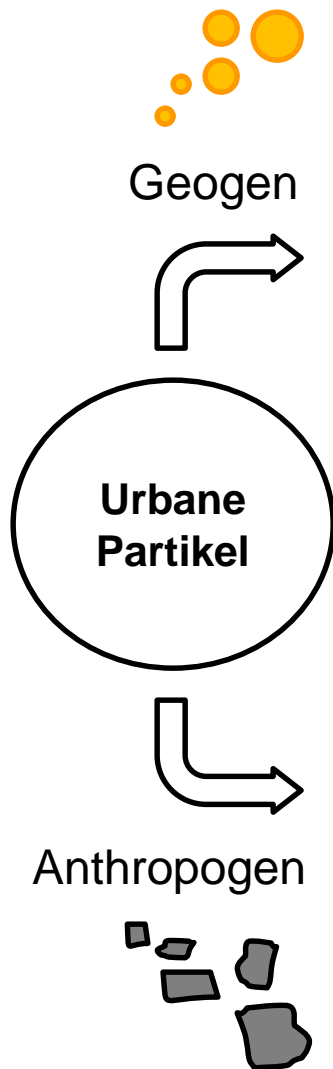
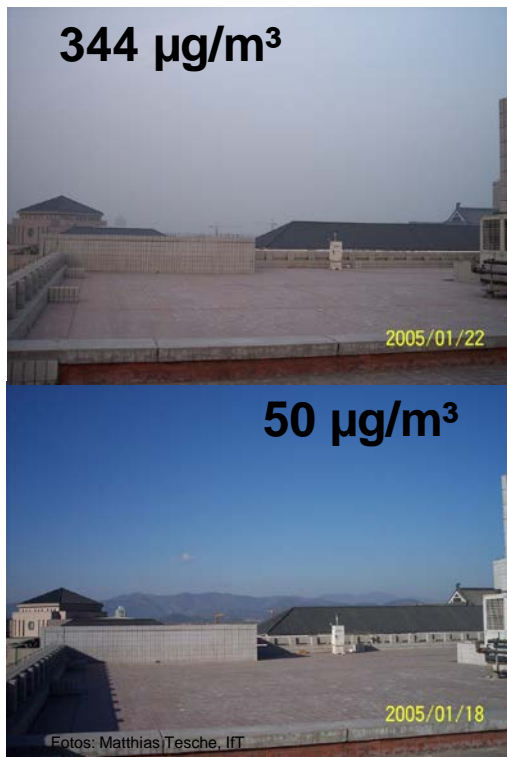


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Hysplit backward trajectories for 72 hours starting at Beijing during April 29th to May 1nd

Source Apportionment: Local Investigations



Zhang, Y.-L., Schnelle-Kreis, J., Abbaszade, G., Zimmermann, R., Zotter, P., Shen, R.-R., Schaefer, K., Shao, L., Prévôt, A.S.H., Szidat, S.: **Source apportionment of elemental carbon in Beijing, China: insights from radiocarbon and organic marker measurements.** Environ. Sci. Technol., 49 (14), 8408–8415, 2015; doi: 10.1021/acs.est.5b01944

Source Apportionment: Methodology



CUGB: PM **sampling** 2010.06.21 – 2011.06.20

IAP: PM **sampling** 2013.04.10 – 2013.06.08

ZBAA: Weather station

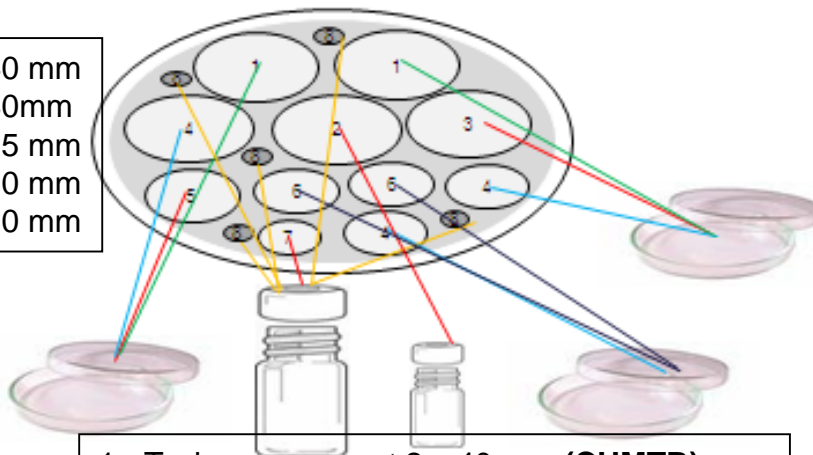
Source Apportionment: Analysis

Sample A

Organic composition

GC-MS, EC/OC/ WSOC, stable isotopes, toxic-testing

5 x 40 mm
1 x 30mm
4 x 25 mm
1 x 20 mm
5 x 10 mm



- 1 - Toxic assessment 2 x 40 mm (**CUMTB**)
- 2 - Organic 40 mm (**HMGU**)
- 3 - IRMS 40 mm (**IMK-IFU**)
- 4 - Spare 40 mm + 2 x 25 mm
- 5 - Toxic assessment 30 mm (**U. Cardiff**)
- 6 - EC/OC WSOC 2 x 25 mm (**U. Rostock**)
- 7 - Isotope extraction 20 mm (**IMK-IFU**)
- 8 - EC/OC 5 x 10 mm (**U. Rostock**)

Sample B

PM mass

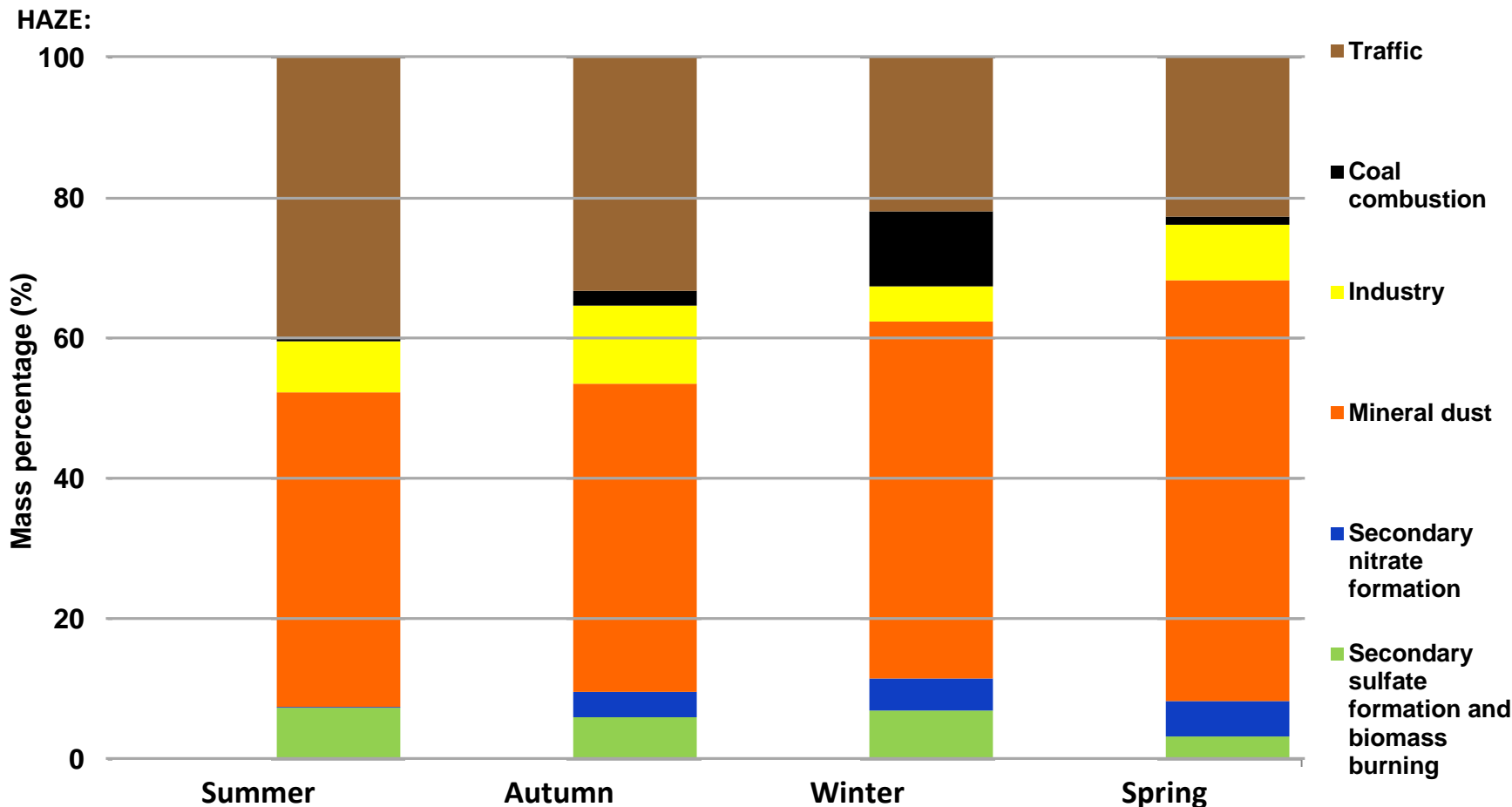
ICP-MS (*Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry*),
PEDXRF (*Polarized Energy Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence*)



Source Apportionment: Results



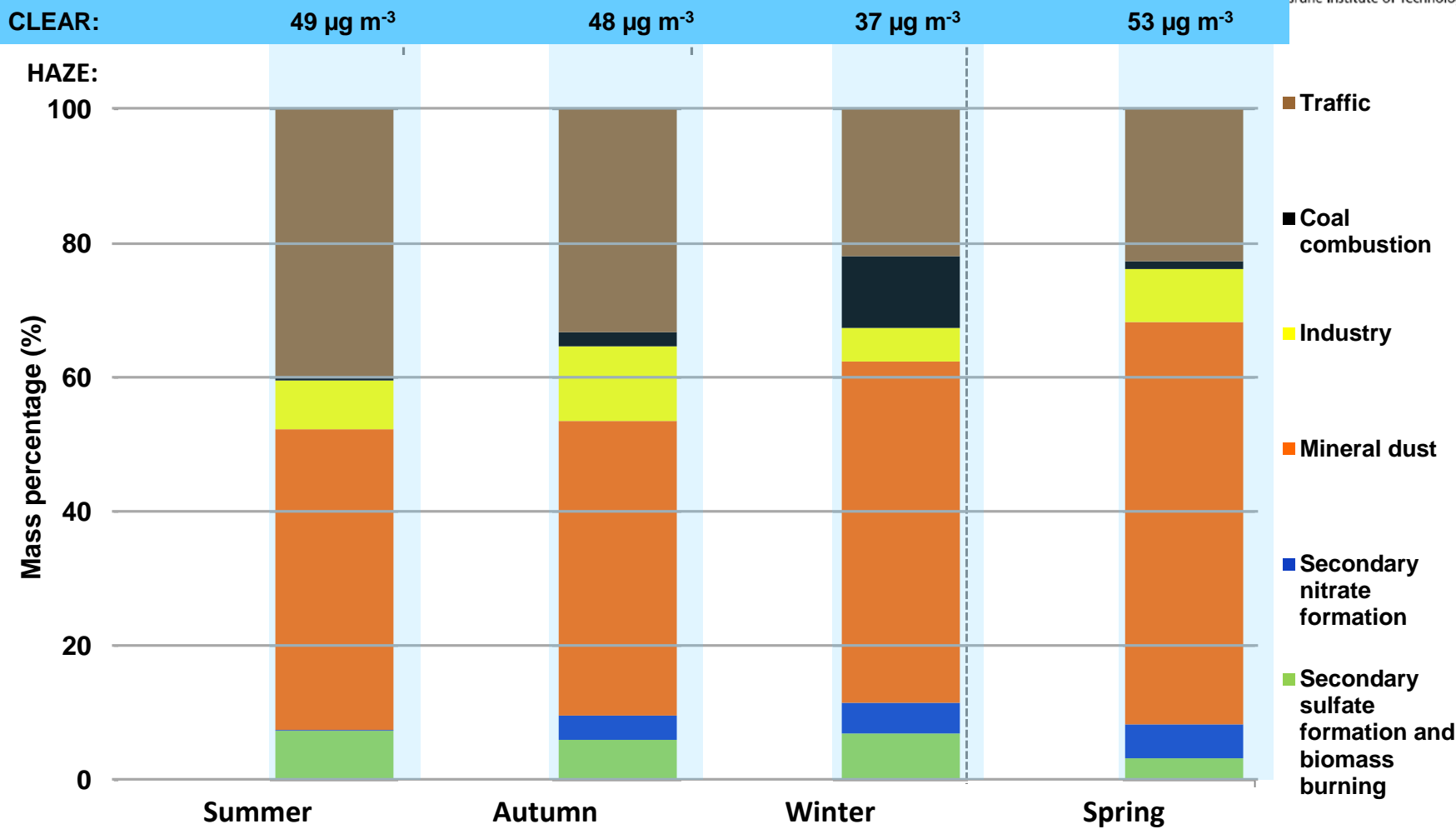
CLEAR: 49 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ 48 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ 37 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ 53 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$



PhD Thesis Rongrong Shen 2015:
Annual variation of chemical composition and source apportionment of particulate matter in Beijing

Source apportionment analysis

Source Apportionment: Results



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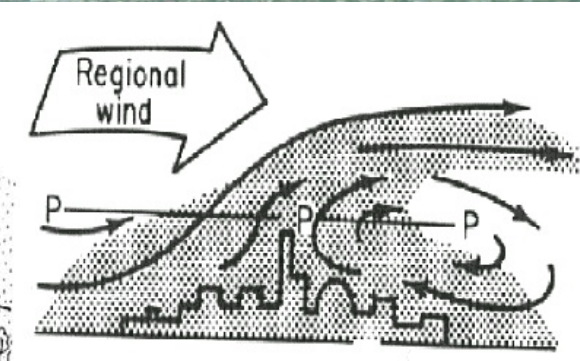
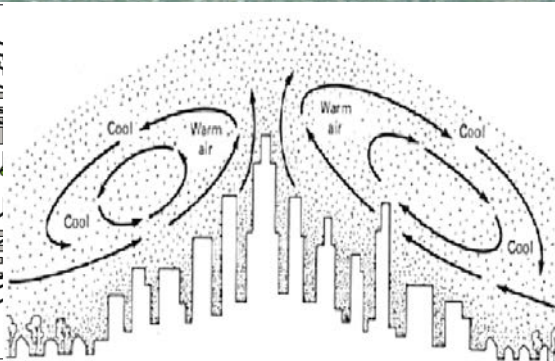
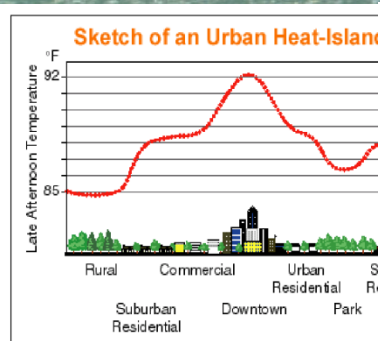
Source apportionment analysis

Source Apportionment: Results

- **Mineral dust** → inner Asia loess and desert areas in combination with the steep topography have significant impact on local air quality (→ Beijing)
- **Mineral dust reduction** → planting of specific grasslands; recultivation of steppes and coal degradation regions
- **Haze** → fine and anthropogenic particles and stagnant weather conditions
- **Haze** → different seasons - different sources – different source regions
- **Haze reduction** → NO_3^- , SO_4^{2-} , and NH_4^+ in the regional scale
- **Haze reduction** → higher standard of cleaning equipment's; road cleaning standards; emissions from construction dust

Urban Heat Island (UHI): Phenomena

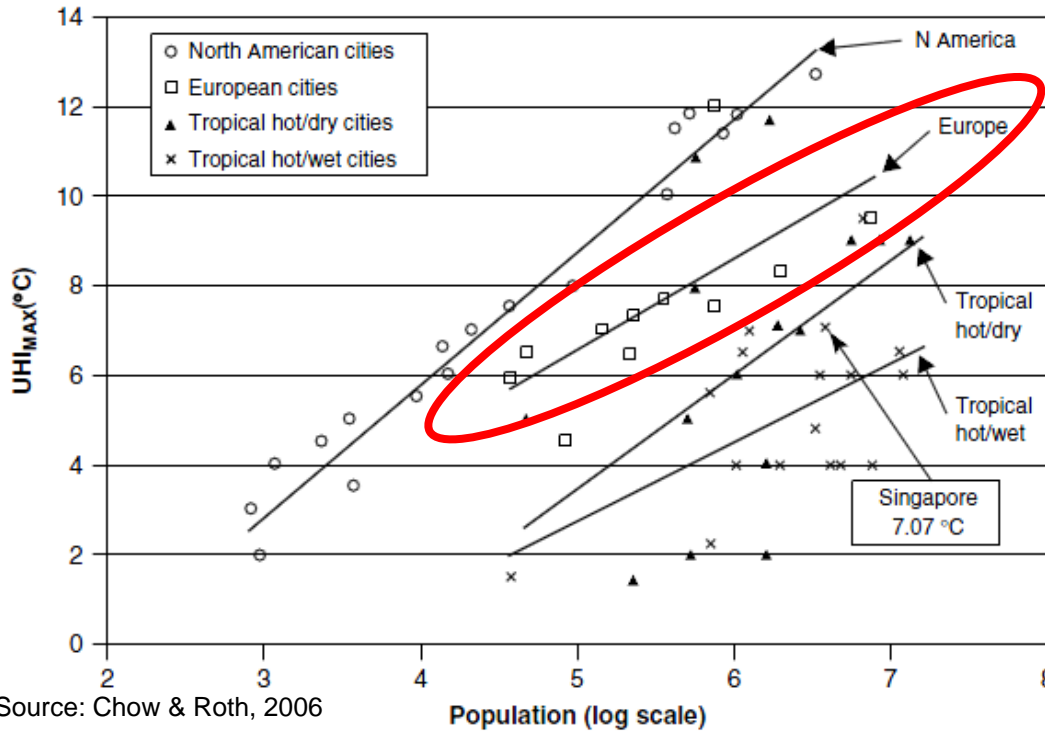
- "Urban Heat Island" (UHI) refers to the tendency for a city or town (urbanized areas) to remain **warmer than its surroundings**.
- The **annual mean temperature** of a large city may be **1°–2°C warmer** than the surrounding areas, and on individual calm, clear **nights** may be up to **12°C warmer** (→ **Heat Island Intensity**).
- **Closed isotherms** indicating an area of the surface (→ **island**) that is relatively warm; most commonly associated areas of human disturbance such as towns and cities (urbanized areas).
- The warmth extends vertically to form an **urban heat dome** in near calm, and an **urban heat plume** in more windy conditions.



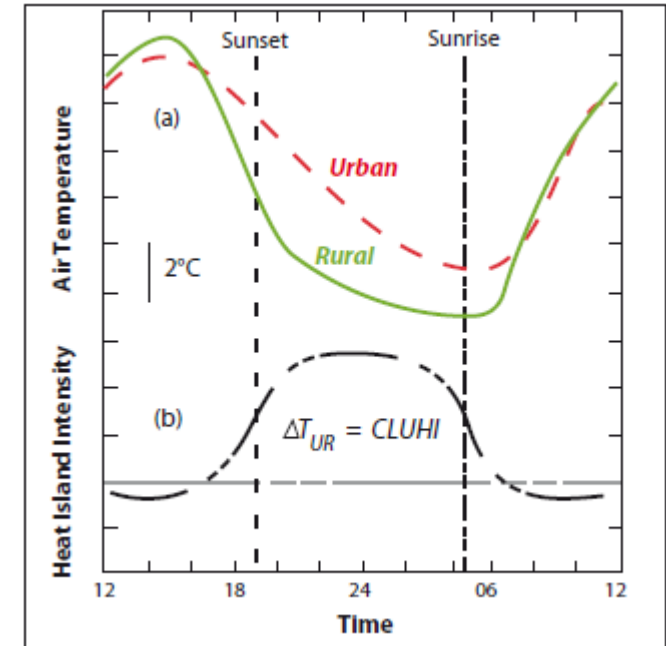
Source: Lawrence Berkeley National Lab.

Source: NASA Global Hydrology and Climate Center

UHI: Intensity and Magnitude



Source: Chow & Roth, 2006



Source: EPA, 2009

Modified from Oke, 1982, and Runnalls and Oke, 2000

UHI: Mitigation Measures ...

➤ Increasing albedo

reflectivity of surfaces / buildings, ...

➤ Increasing vegetation cover

green roofs, parks, avenue trees, ...

➤ Decreasing runoff

open water spaces, ponds, control of impervious surface areas, ...

➤ Decreasing anthropogenic heating

air conditioning, industrial facilities,

➤ Increasing structural and natural shading

ancient city structures



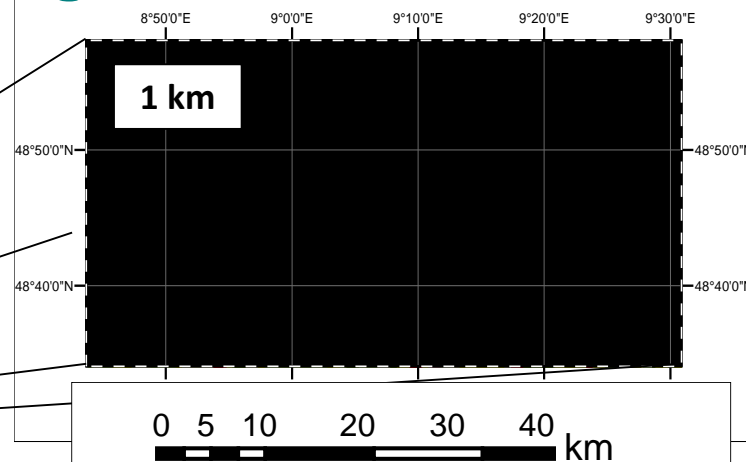
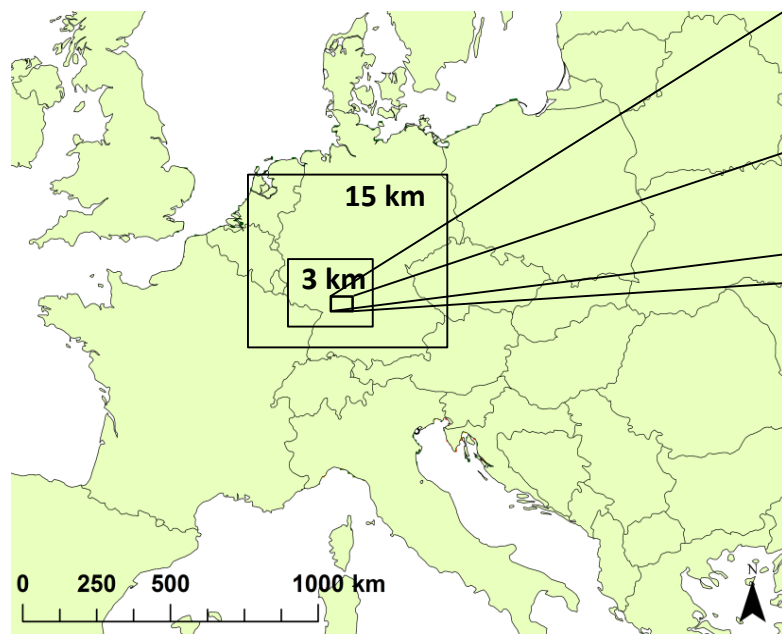
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UHI: ... and its Benefits

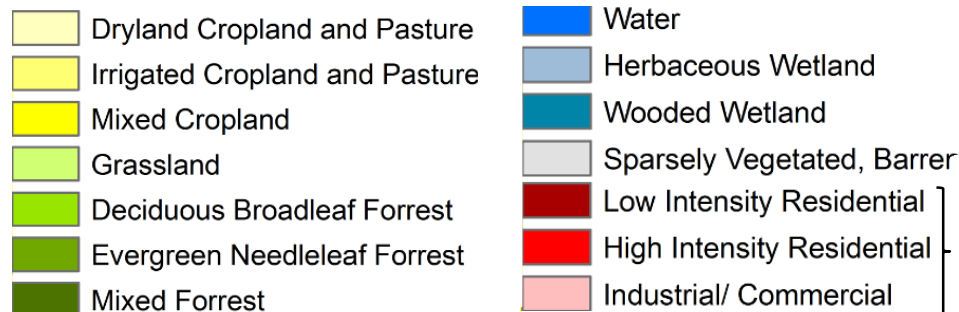
- **on meteorology**
reduction of temperature, wind effects, ...
- **on emissions**
reduction of emissions, aerosols, contribution to green house emissions, ...
- **on air quality**
reactions, photochemistry, regional influence, effective air pollution control strategy
- **on human health**
mortality, morbidity, heat stress, comfort,....
- **on economy**
health care system, energy consumption (e.g. 100 \$ per air conditioned house),



UHI: (WRF) Modelling Investigations



„Corine‘ Land Use



- Initial- und dynamical boundary conditions: **ERA-Interim 0.5°** Reanalysis
- Land surface processes: **NOAH LSM**
- Parametrization of sub-grid scale processes: **BEP Urban Canopy Model**
- Modelling time frame: **Aug 8 – Aug 18 2003**

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UHI: Simulated Mitigation Strategies

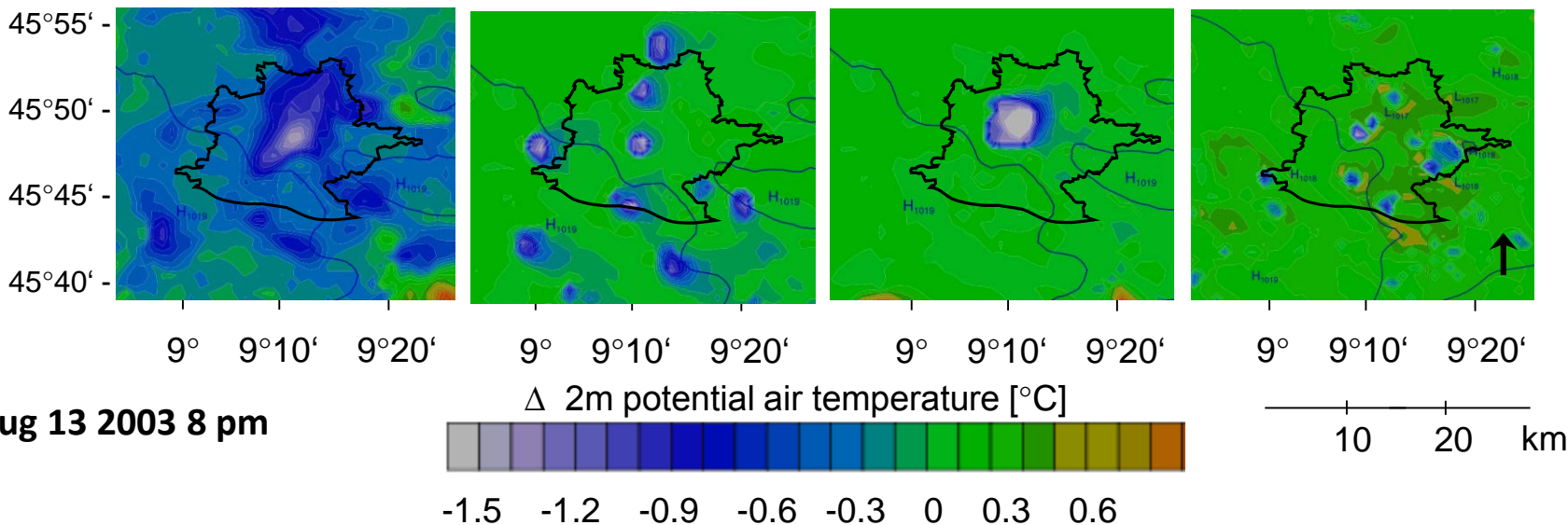


Albedo - Control

Many Parks - Control

Central Park - Control

Density - Control



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Impact of mitigation strategies on heat island intensity

Scenario	Control	Albedo	Many Parks	Big Park	Density
T mean urban [°C]	33.1	31.5	32.5	32.3	32.4
T max [°C]	34.3	31.9	33.5	33.3	33
UHI; delta Θ	2.52	0.84	1.47	1.19	1.32

UHI: Any other Implications?

Stuttgart / Germany „fair weather situation in summer“



Cold Air

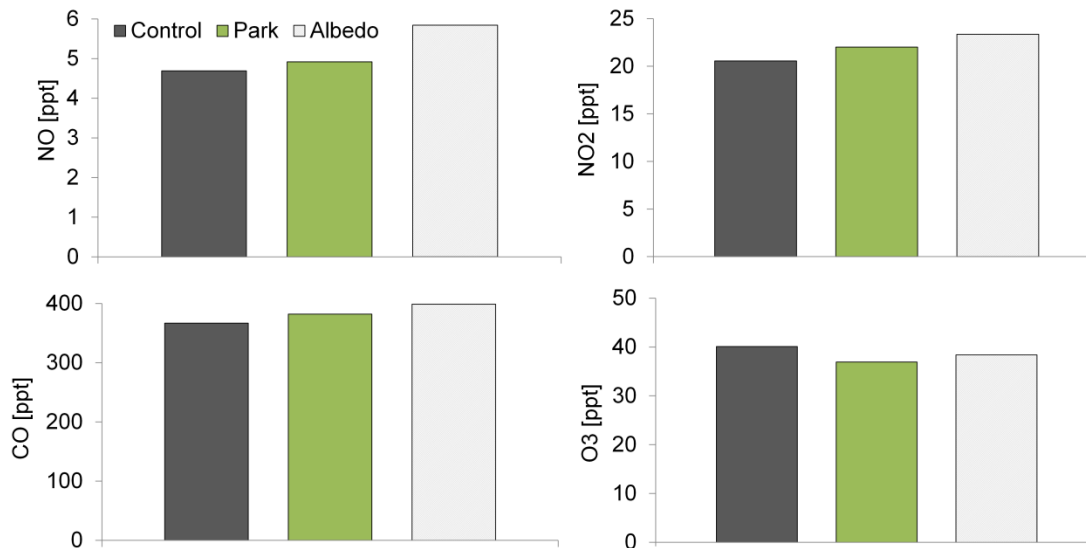


Inversion Layer

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UHI: Impact on Air Quality

- Control
- Park
- Albedo

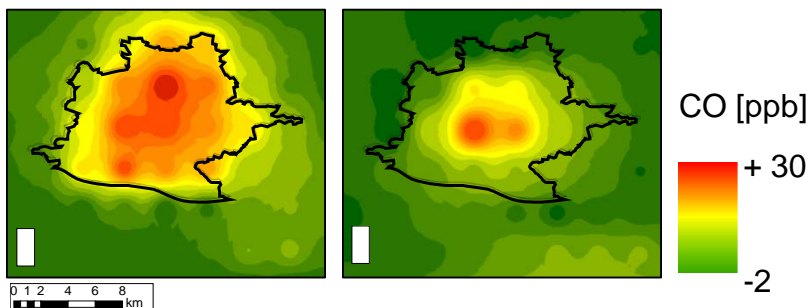


Mean concentration for modelling period

Primary pollutants (e.g. CO)

Albedo

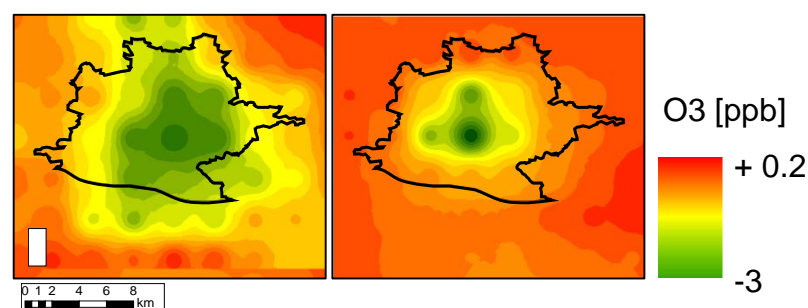
Park



Secondary pollutants (e.g. ozone)

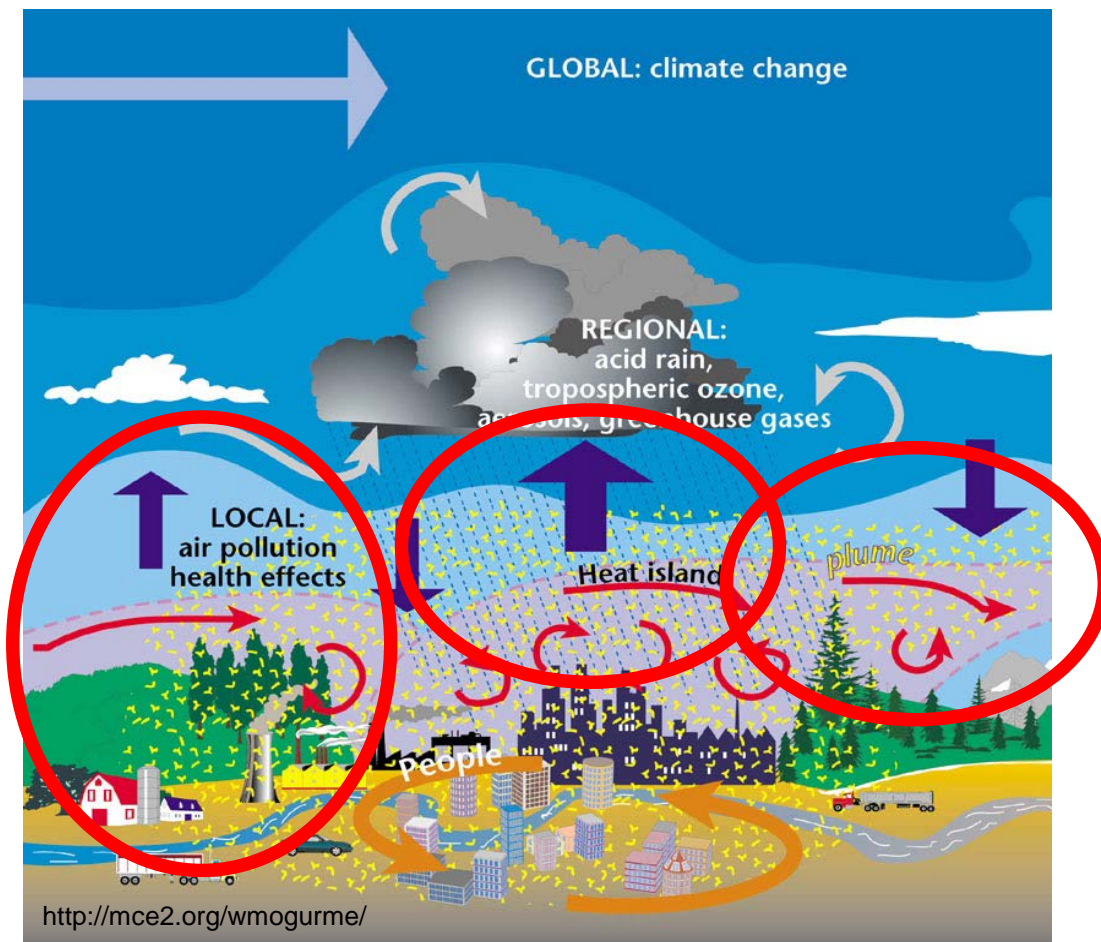
Albedo

Park



Urban-Rural Interactions

Cities as Reaction Vessels



Driving Forces

- Anthropogenic / biogenic / geogenic emissions
- Land use change
- Radiation & heat budget
- Climate Change

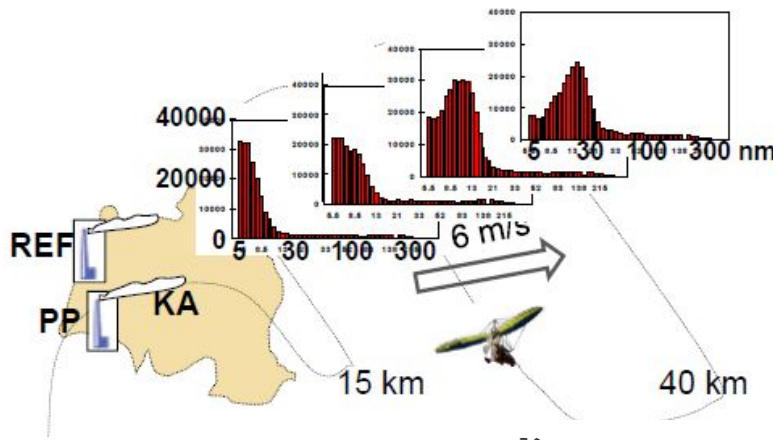
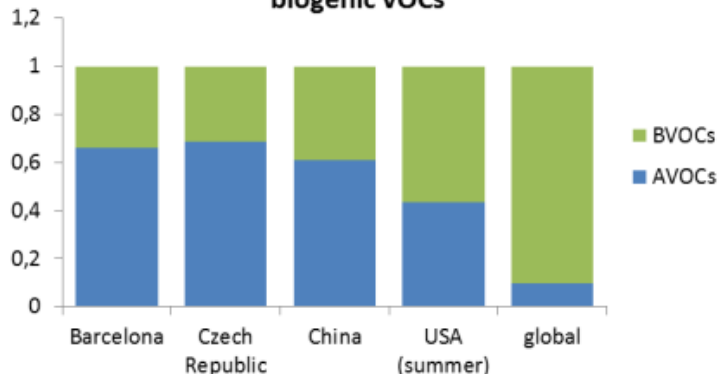
Resulting Impacts

- Heat Island Effects
- Composition & dispersion of pollutants
- Adverse health effects

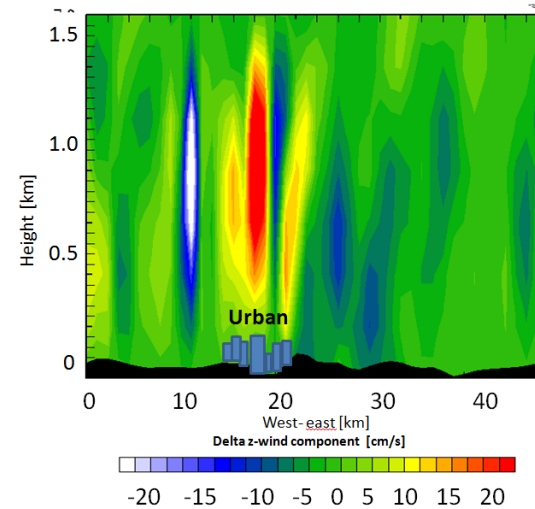
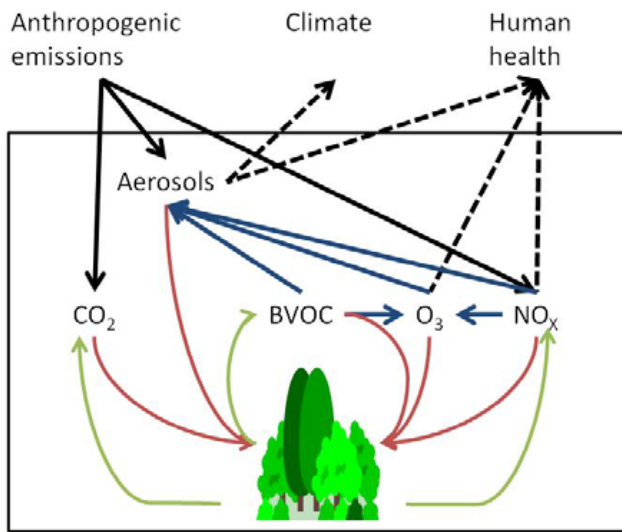
Challenges

Aerosol Chemistry & Physics

Relative contribution of anthropogenic and biogenic VOCs

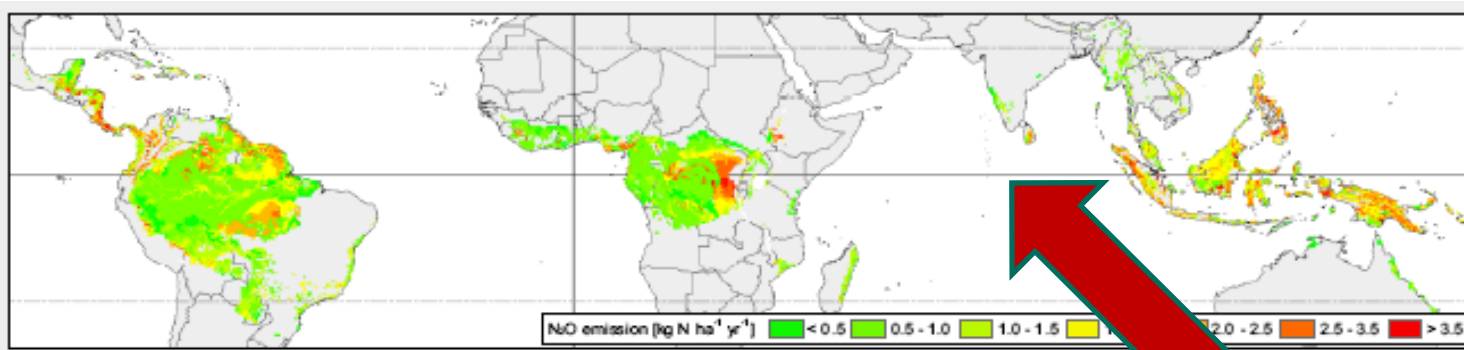


Impact of anthropogenic - biogenic emissions on urban climate – health – air quality

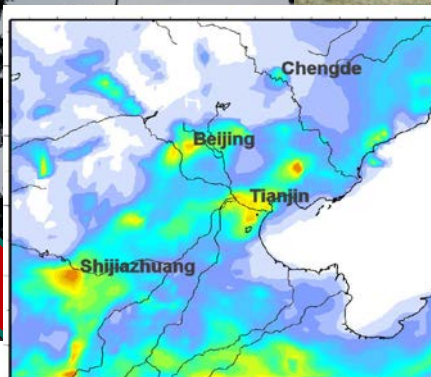
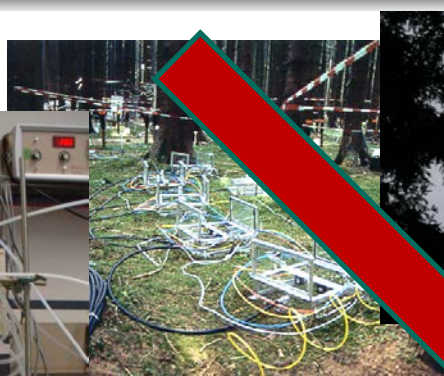


Mitigation & Adaptation strategies

Outlook: Overcoming the Scales



plot scale
(chamber meas.)

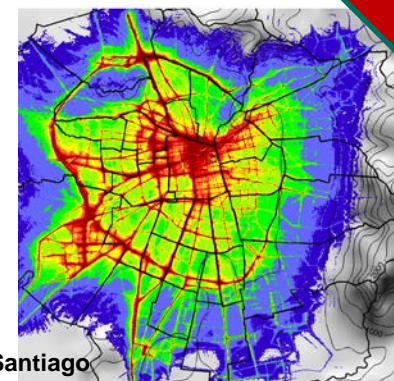


regional scale
(remote sensing)



global scale
(aircraft meas.)

global scale
(remote sensing)



Santiago

...from measurements to modeling
...from the micro to the macro scale and vice versa
 (laboratory meas.)

Outlook: What are the next steps?

Urban research at national and international level

BMBF Research Program 'Urban Climate under Change'

- Module A: Development of a comprehensive urban climate model
- Module B: Evaluation of the urban climate models
- Module C: Review of practicability of urban climate models in respect to a sustainable urban development and climate

Helmholtz-Urban-Research

- Overall urban research which incl. engineering, natural-, health- and social sciences but also urban planning components. Thematic priorities. Long term (10-30 years) international pioneering role. KIT as coordinator and PI.

EU-HOP

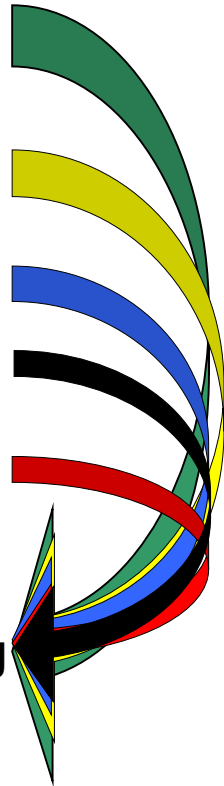
- Air quality and reducing the carbon footprint of European cities (proposals under review)

Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) has announced 2015: Future City

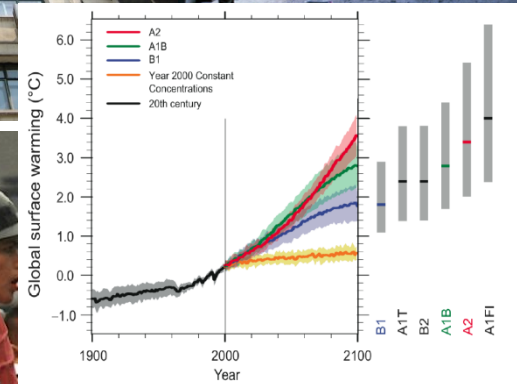
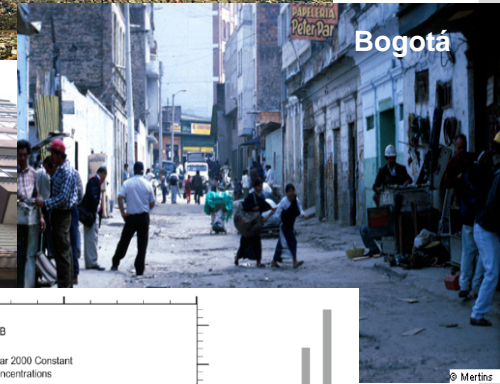
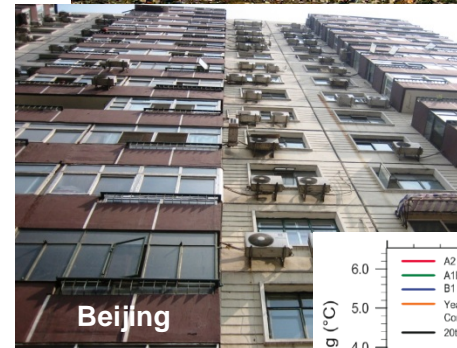
Integrated Approach



- Land use change
- Energy
- Mobility
- Social science
- Climate change



- **Air quality & well being**
- **Health impact**
- **Economical benefit**

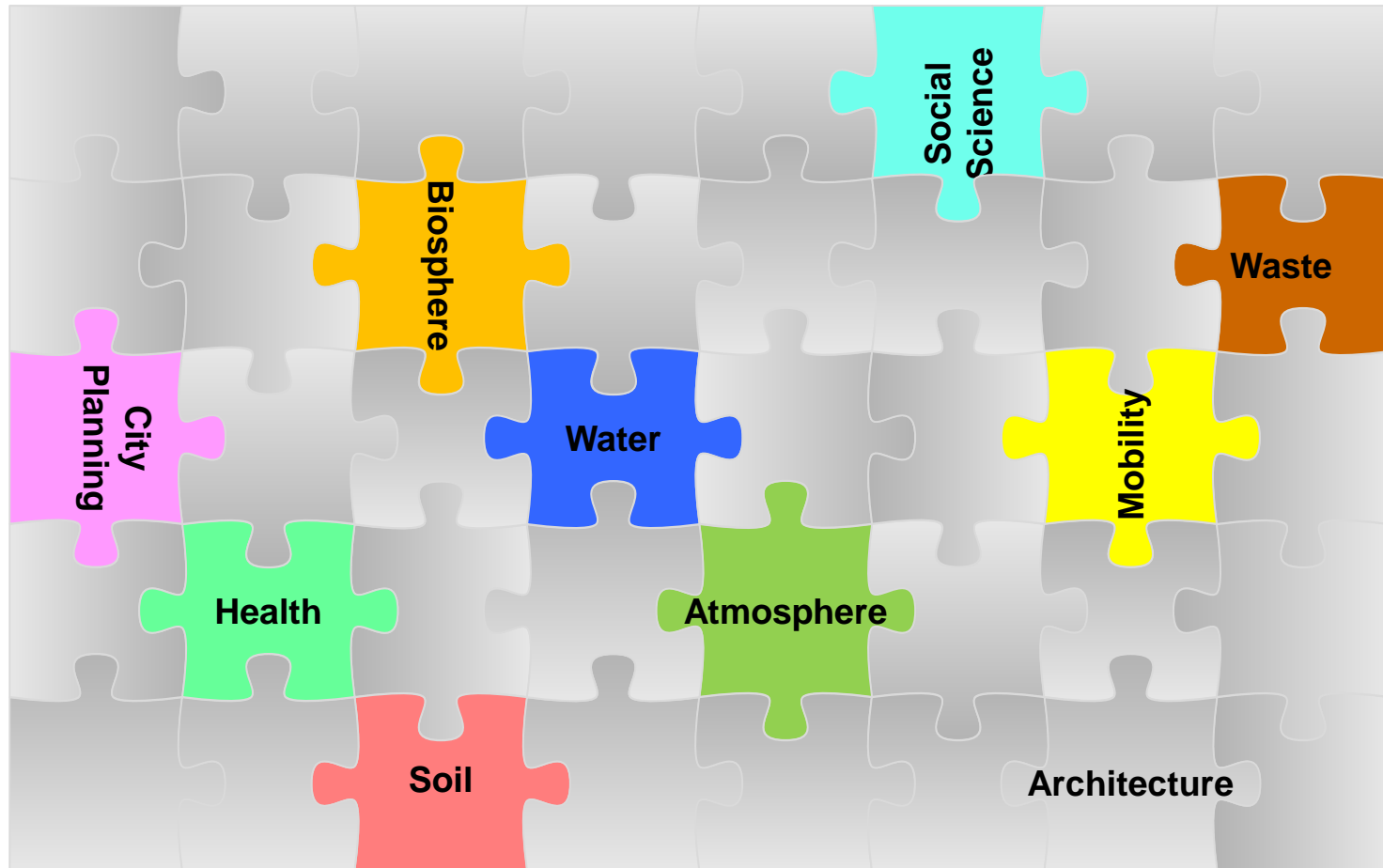


Conclusions

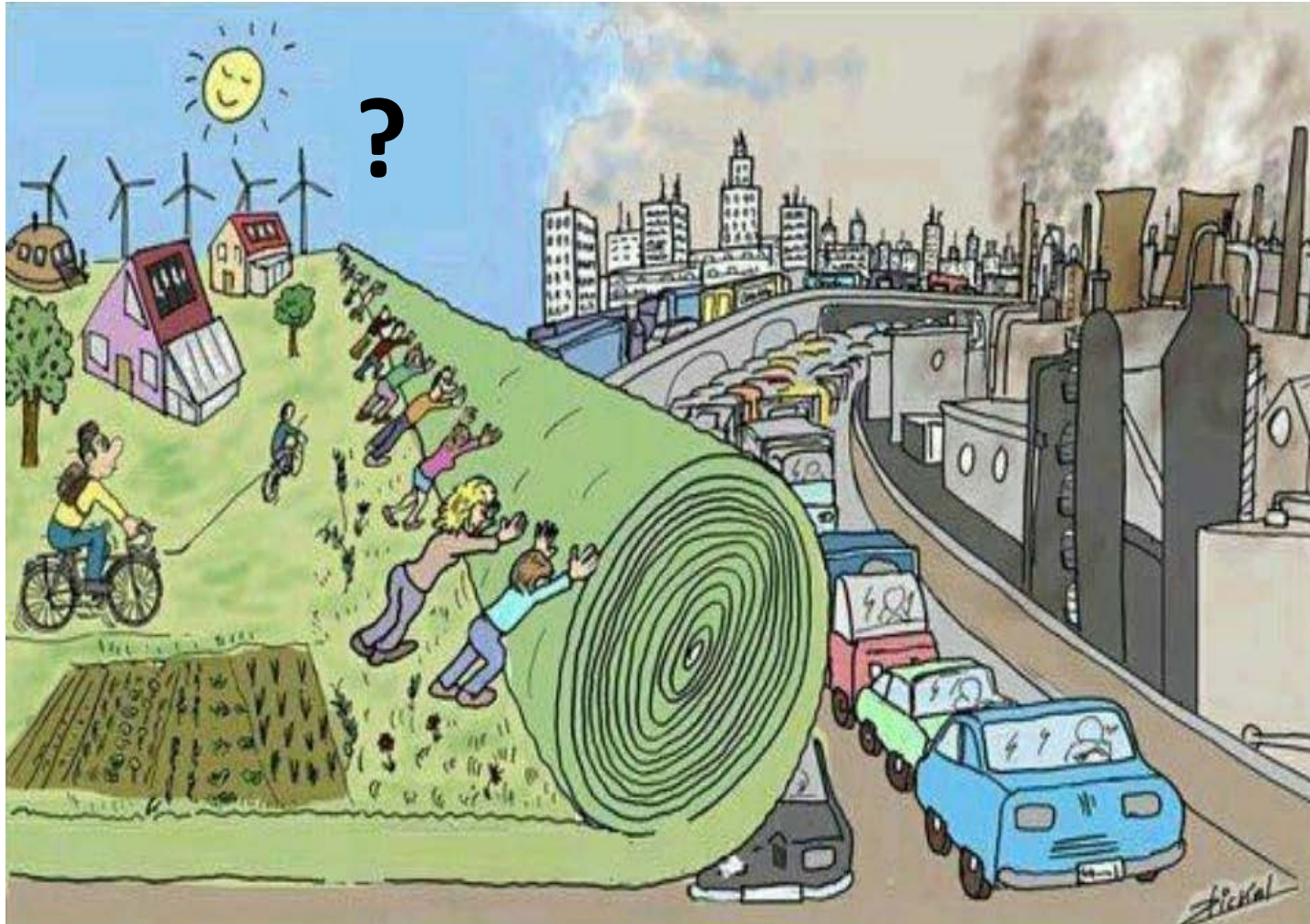
- Successful sustainable development of cities needs linked knowledge of different disciplines
- Scenario development (mitigation & adaptation) needs multidisciplinary views and approaches
- Traffic modeling & traffic emission modeling and its impact on air quality and health can demonstrate such linkages
- Complex processes can only be described and assessed by multi-scale modeling
- High quality standards are needed not only for the urban level but also for the regional surrounding of cities

„It is now understood that the battle against climate change will likely be won - or lost - in cities.....targeted research at the city level is needed to enable policy makers to understand the magnitude of the impacts (World Bank 2008)

A little bit less complex



... or can we do it more easier ?



Muchas gracias por su atención
and best regards from Germany

