

Air quality in Portugal: From emissions to measures

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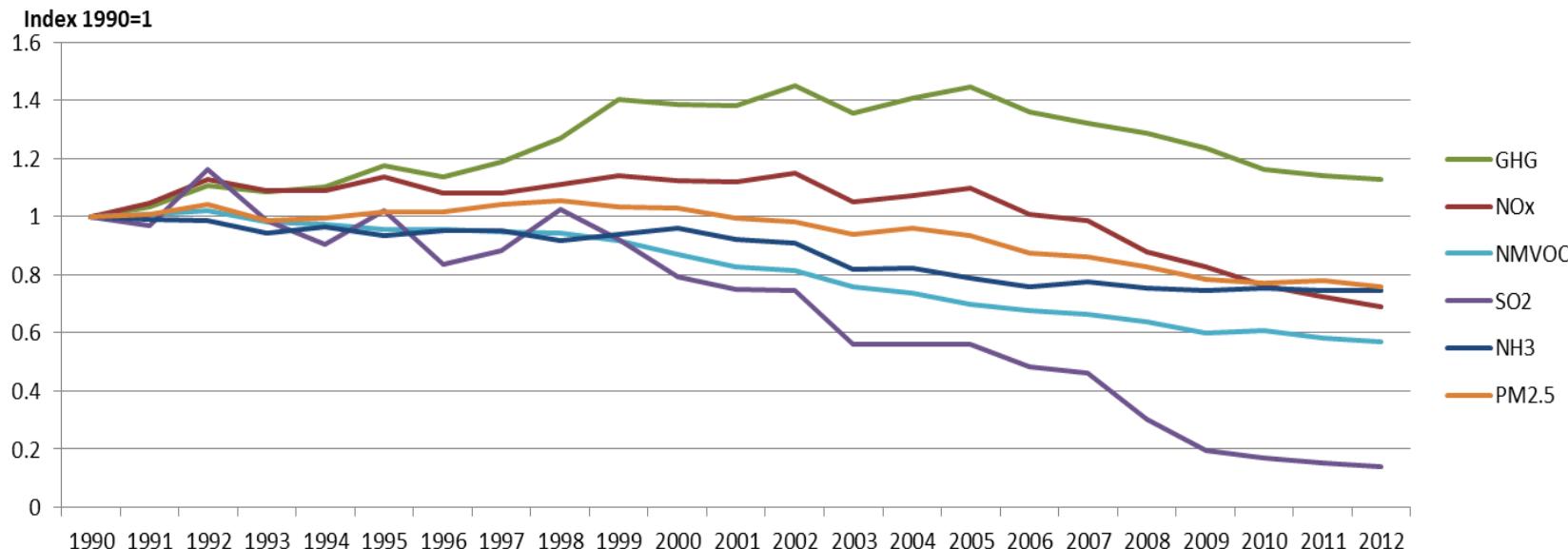
National Air Strategy for 2020

- Gothenburg Protocol (2020)
- NEC (2030)
- Air quality levels for 2020
(modelling by University of Aveiro)
- Definition of policies and measures

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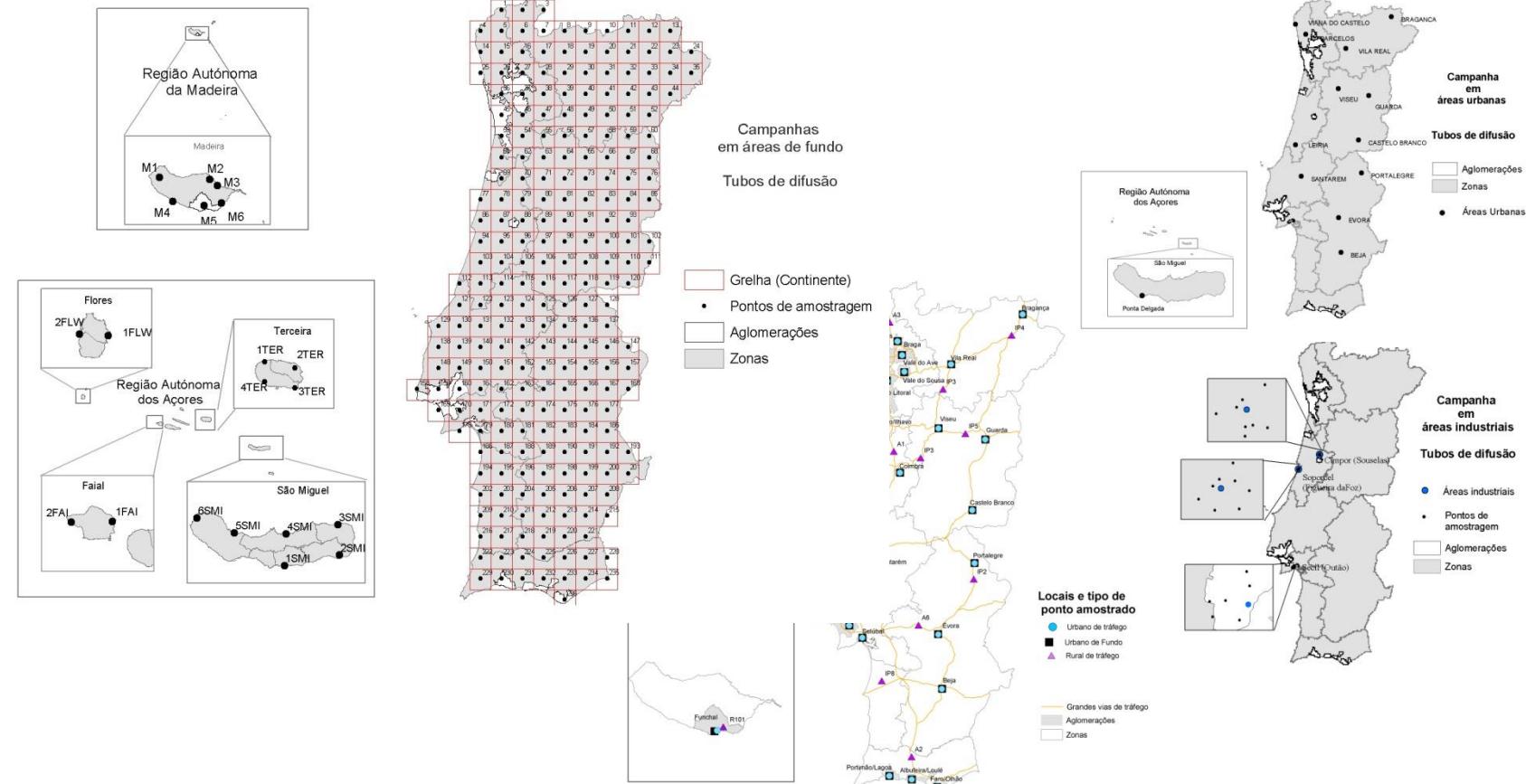
Greenhouse gases and air pollutants emissions historic evolution

| Pollutant | $\Delta 2012-1990$ | $\Delta 2012-2005$ |
|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|
| GHG | 13% | -32% |
| NOx | -31% | -41% |
| NMVOC | -43% | -13% |
| SO2 | -86% | -42% |
| NH3 | -25% | -4% |
| PM2.5 | -24% | -18% |
| PM10 | -16% | -29% |
| TSP | 7% | -73% |
| CO | -61% | -20% |

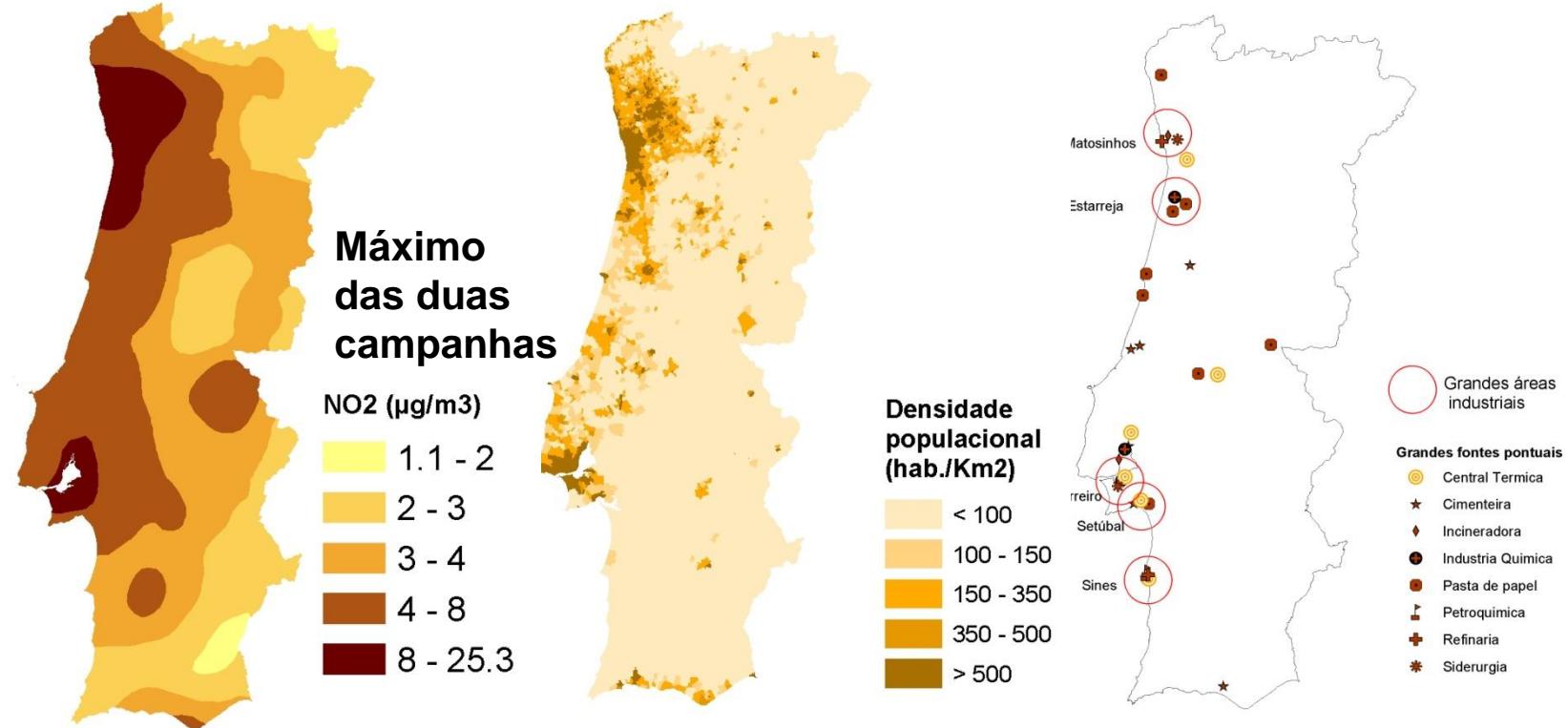


Sampling

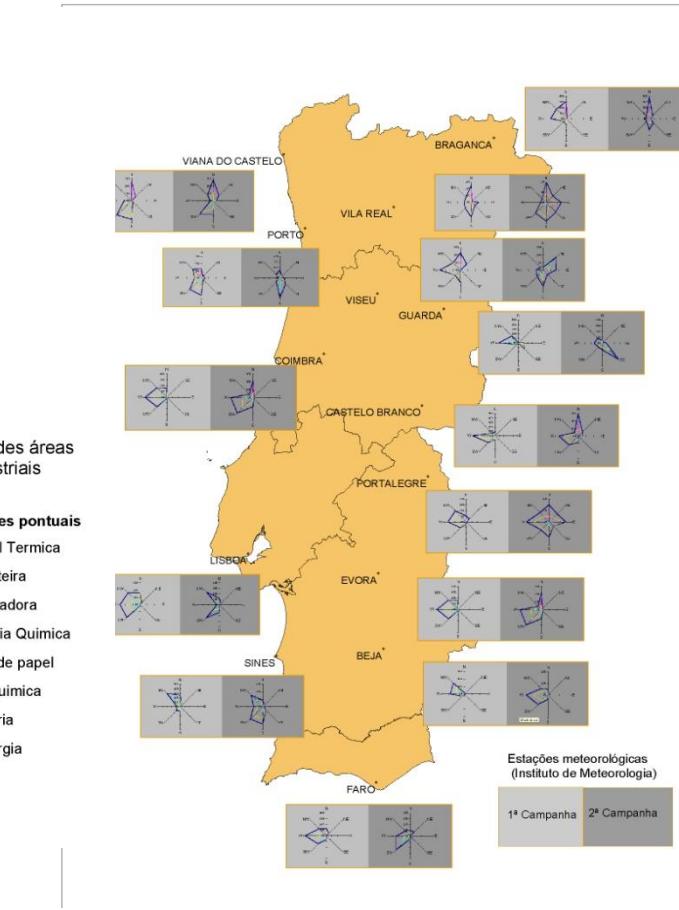
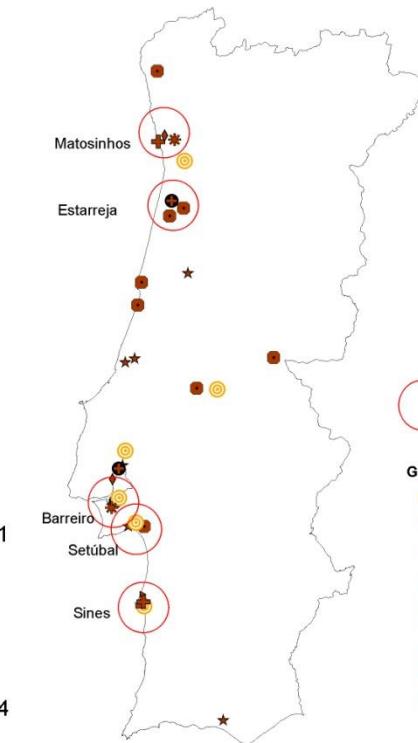
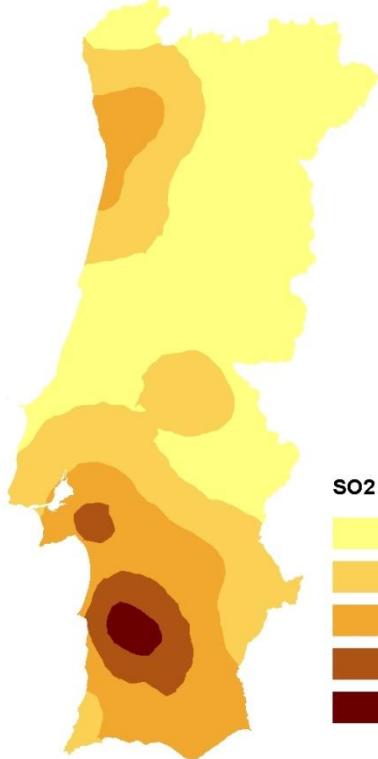
Diffusive samplers – SO₂, NO₂, C₆H₆ e O₃ + PM10 (other equipment)



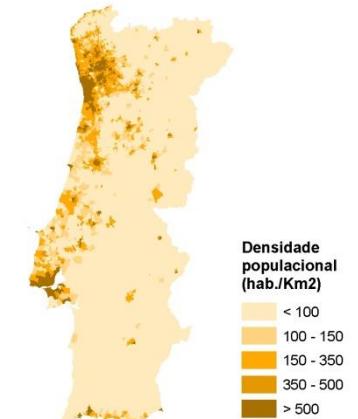
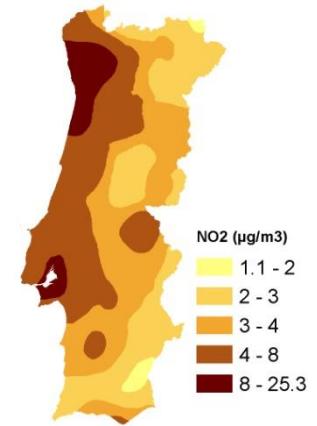
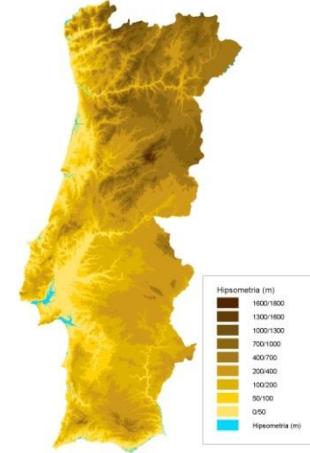
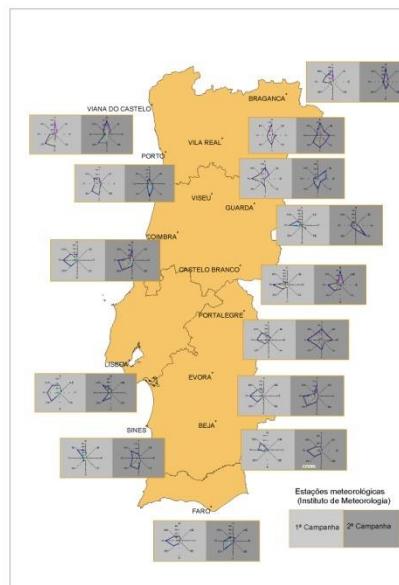
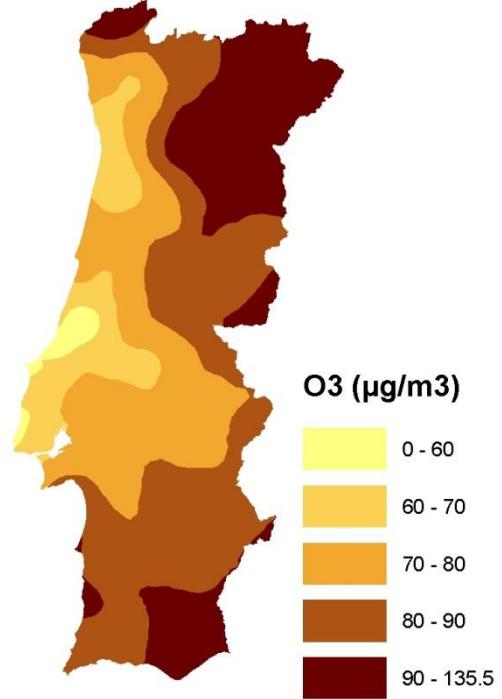
NO_2



SO₂

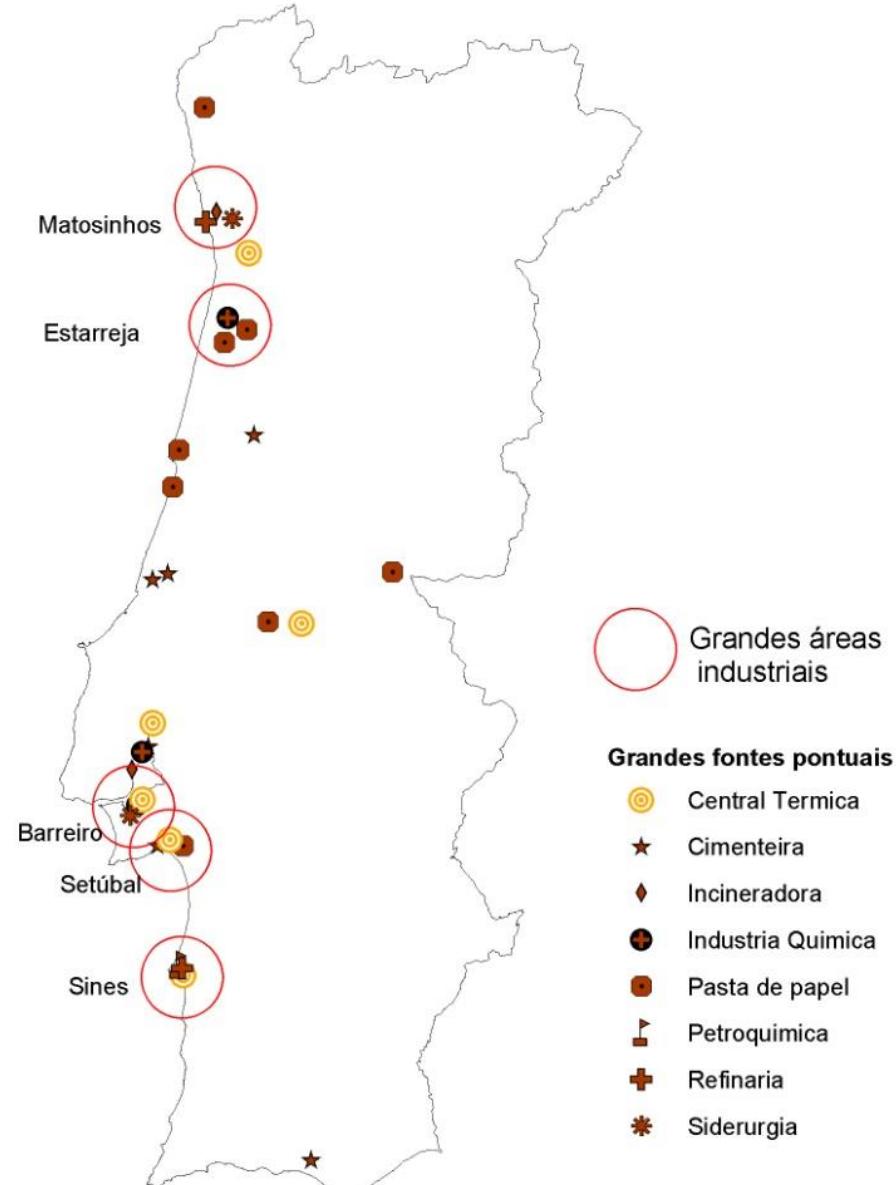


O_3



Point sources

- Power Plants (2 coal)
- Siderurgy
- Refineries
- Pulp and paper
- Chemical
- Cement



Example: Sines Power Plant





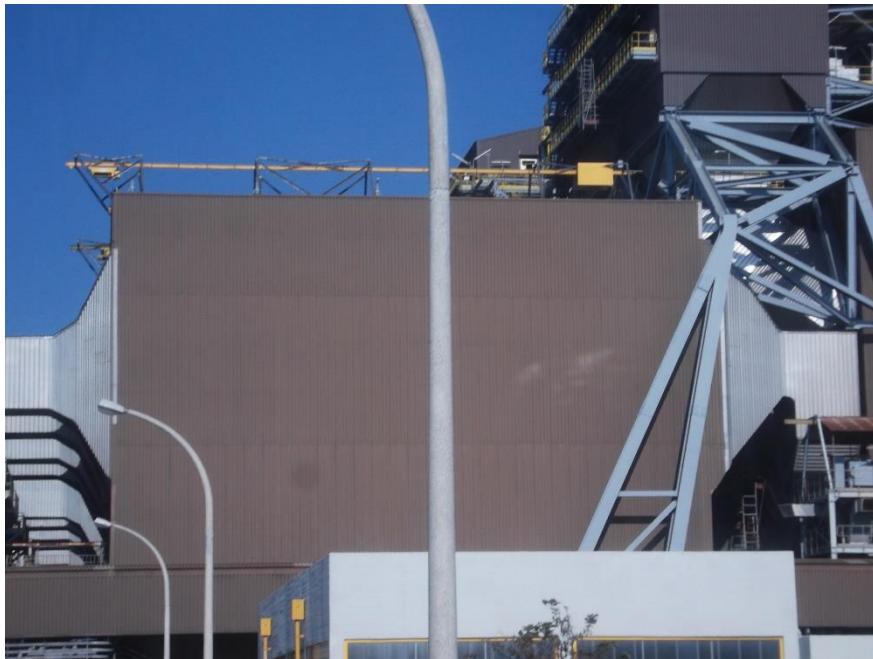
Flue-gas desulphurization



Denitrification



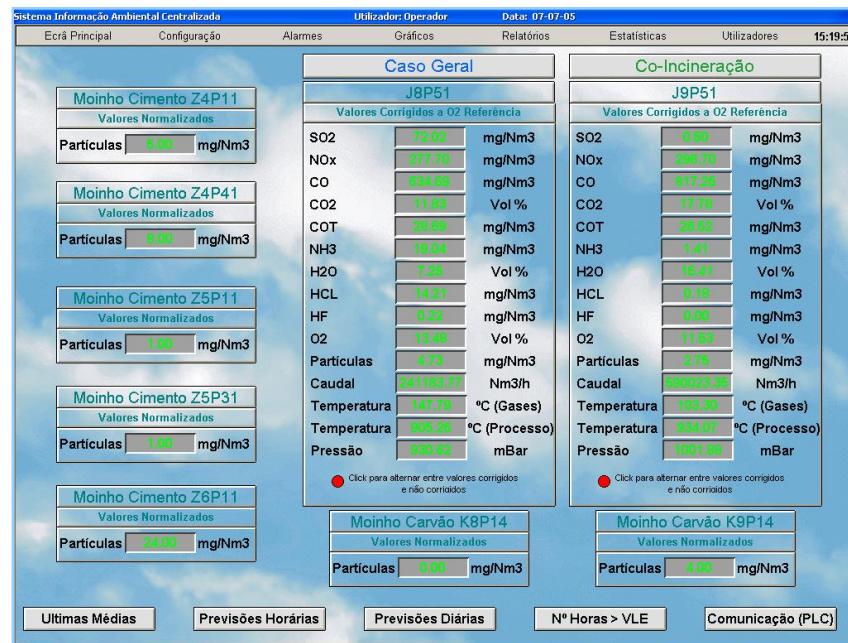
Electrostatic precipitators



Real-time emissions measurements



- Example: Particles, CO, NOX, TOC, HCl, HF



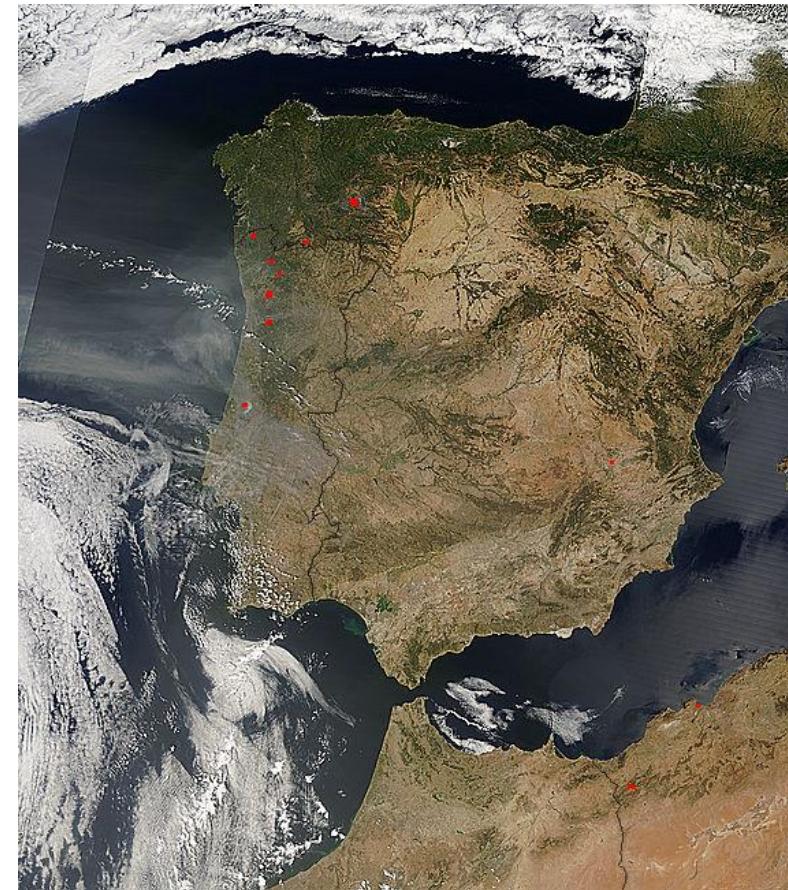
Hazardous waste incineration

- Sampling equipment



Sahara/Sahel and forest fires (natural events)

- **Station monitoring data**
- Modelling
- Satellite imagery



Natural events identification

Tools:

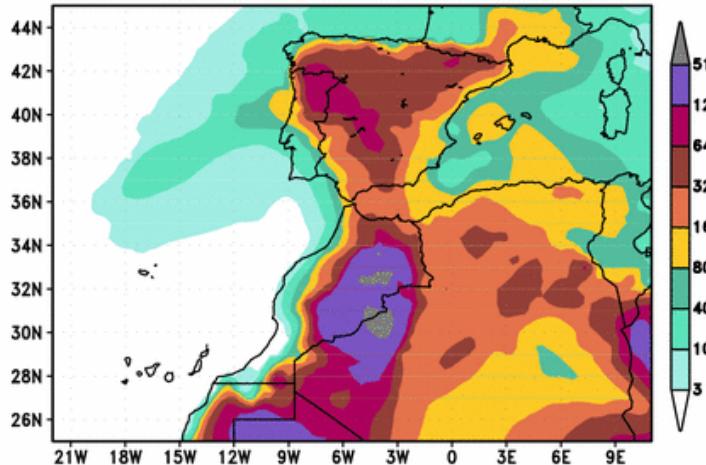
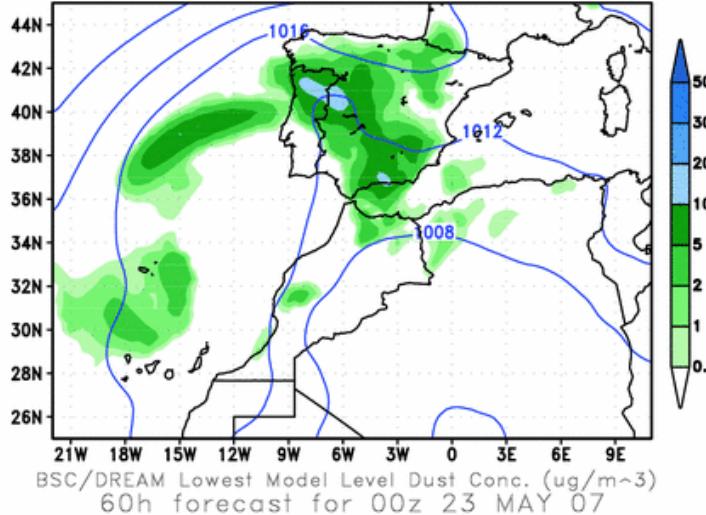
- 1. BSC-DREAM**
- 2. SKIRON**
- 3. NAAPs-NRL**
- 4. Air masses retrotrajectories (HYSPLIT) Navy-USA NRL**
- 5. SeaWiFS, MODIS-Terra satellite imagery**
- 6. TOMS**

Identification fo natural events

Northern African events

- **Model BSC-Dream**
(Barcelona Supercomputer Centre)
 - Based on satellite imagery
 - Cloud cover
 - Aerosols
 - Surface concentration
 - Forecasting

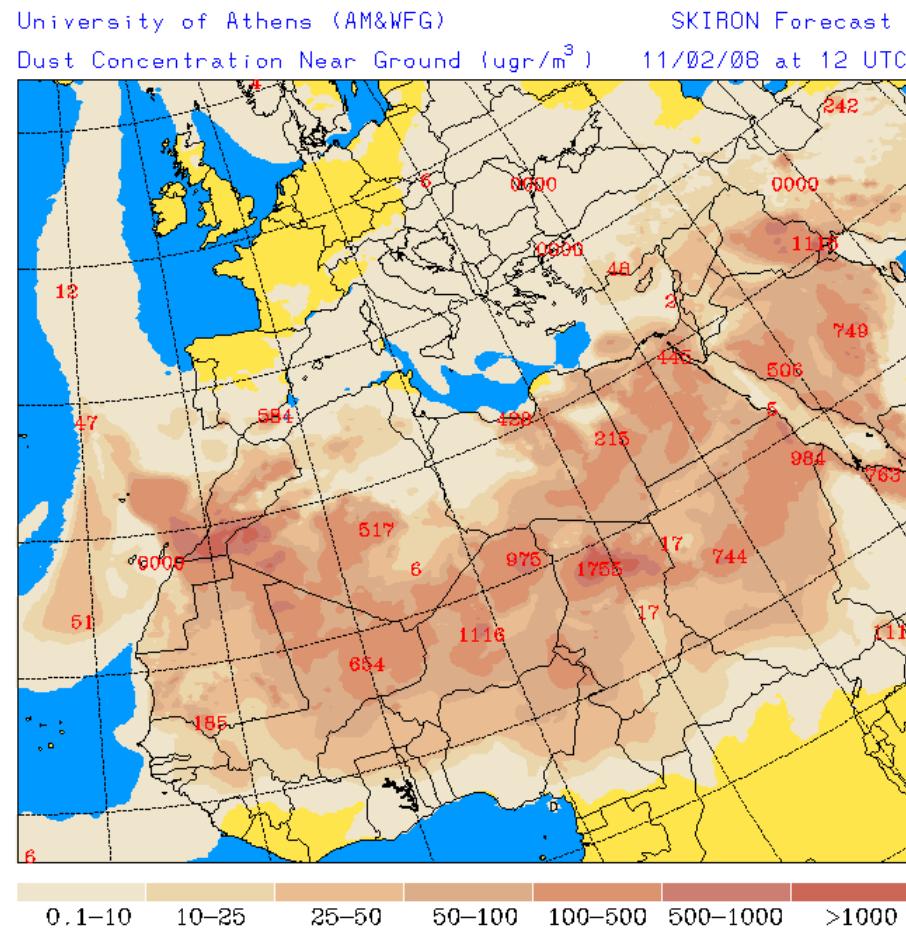
<http://www.bsc.es/projects/earthscience/DREAM>
BSC/DREAM 12h acc. Precipitation and MSL Pressure
60h forecast for 00z 23 MAY 07



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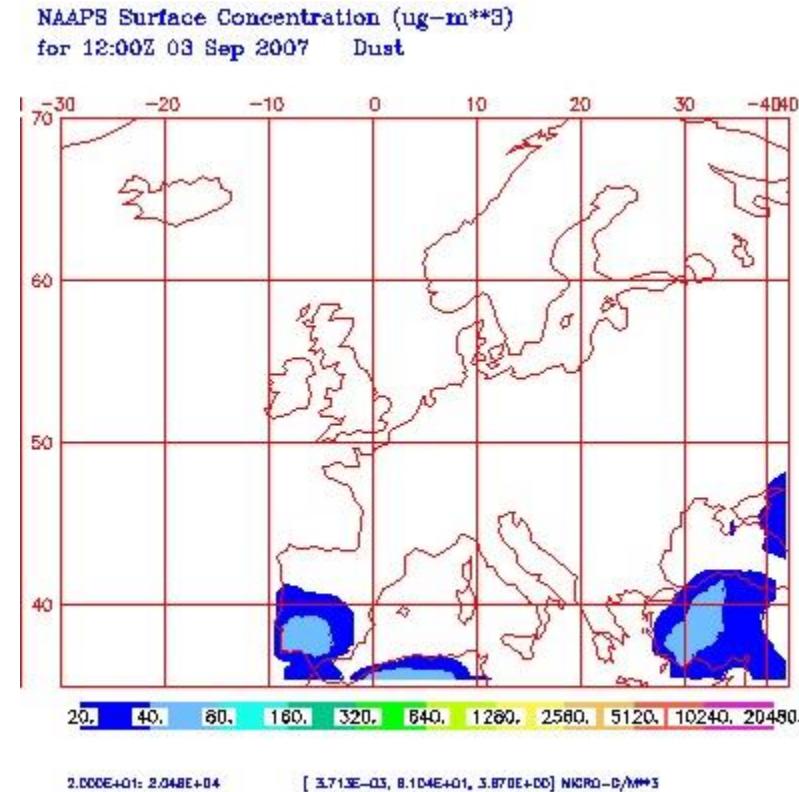
- **Modelo SKIRON
(Univ. Atenas)**



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- **Modelo NAAPS**
- **(Navy Aerosol Analysis and Prediction System)**
- **Naaps Global Aerosol Model**

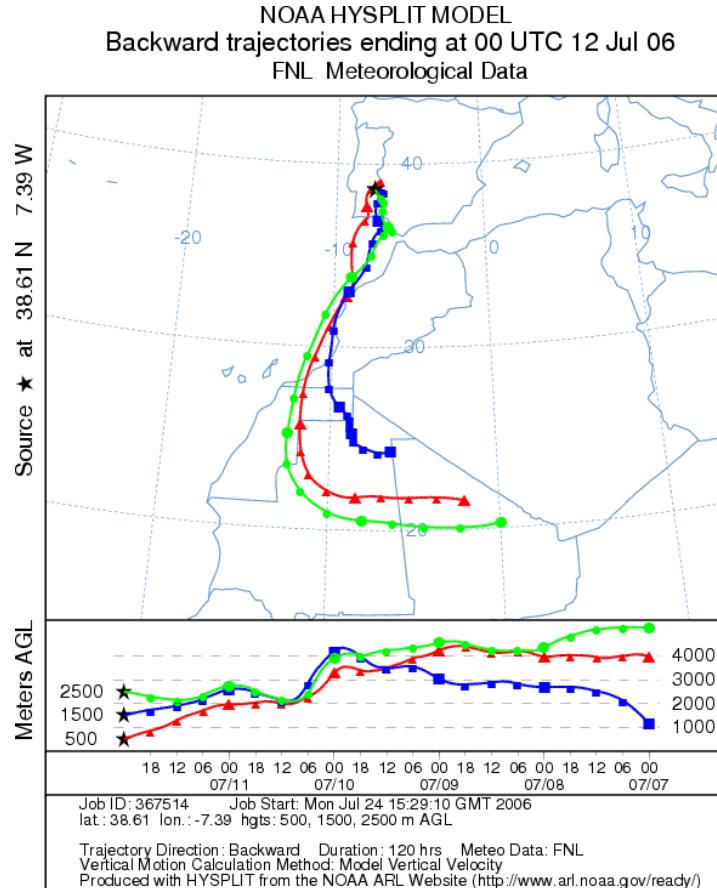


Naval Research Laboratory, Monterey USA
<http://www.nrlmry.navy.mil/aerosol/#currentaerosolmodeling>

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- **Modelo Hysplit**
- **(NOAA/Dep. Commerce - USA)**

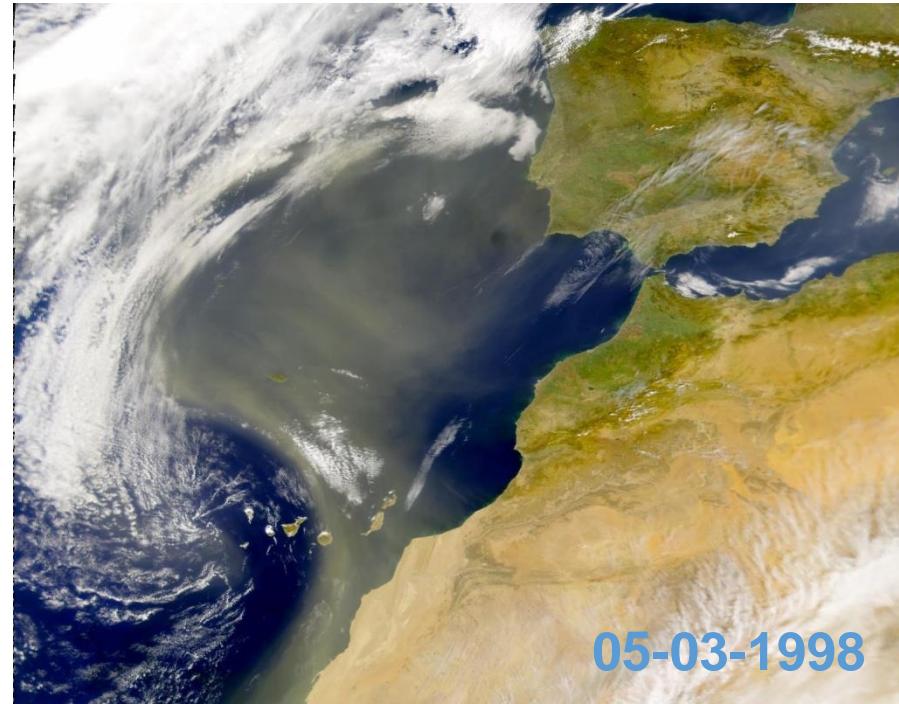
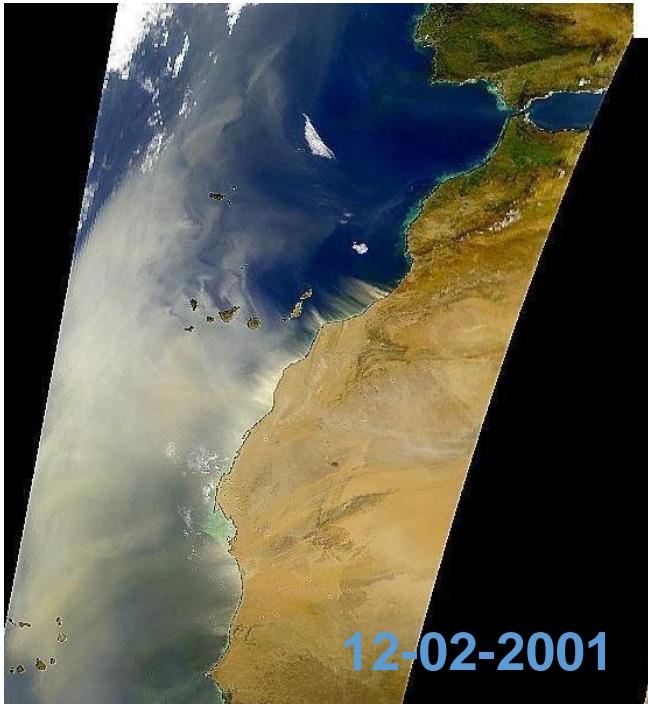


MODELO <ftp://www.arl.noaa.gov/pub/models>

METEO FILES <ftp://www.arl.noaa.gov/pub/archives/fnl>

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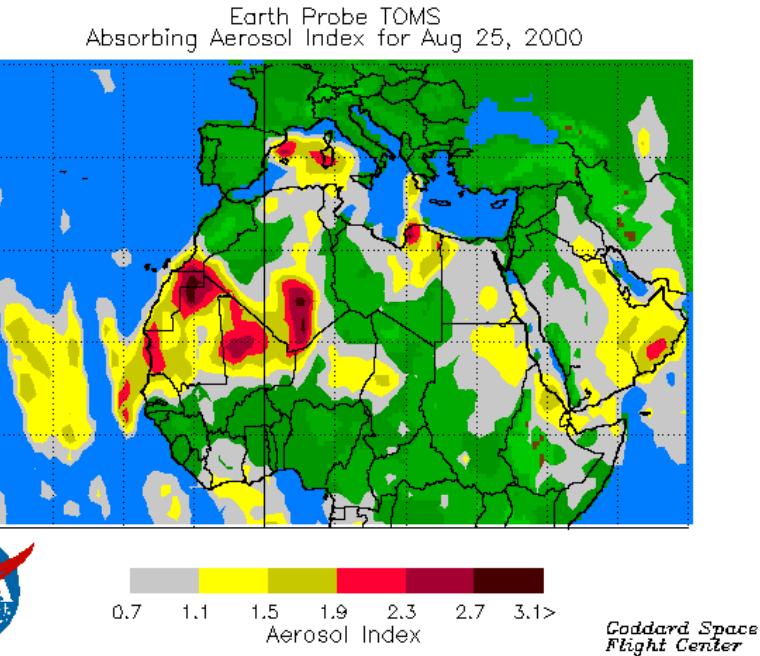
- **Satélite SeaWiFS (NASA)**
- SeaWiFS: for chlorophyll
- Not éideal but good photos ☺ (ex.: 05/Mar/1998)

<http://seawifs.gsfc.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/hrpt Browse.pl>

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- **Satélite TOMS (NASA)**
- Aerosols index
- Outdated



EUROPA

<ftp://jwocky.gsfc.nasa.gov/pub/tmp/meduse>

ESCALA GLOBAL

<http://jwocky.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

Identification fo natural events

Chemical mass balance

| | | PM₁₀ |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| crustal | % | 51.5 |
| CO ₃ ²⁻ | µg.m ⁻³ | 9.12 |
| SiO ₂ | µg.m ⁻³ | 6.97 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | µg.m ⁻³ | 2.58 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | µg.m ⁻³ | 0.89 |
| Ca | µg.m ⁻³ | 6.08 |
| Fe | µg.m ⁻³ | 1.47 |
| K | µg.m ⁻³ | 1.43 |
| Mg | µg.m ⁻³ | 0.45 |

CRUSTAL

CO₃²⁻, SiO₂, Al₂O₃, P₂O₅, Ca, Fe, K, Mg

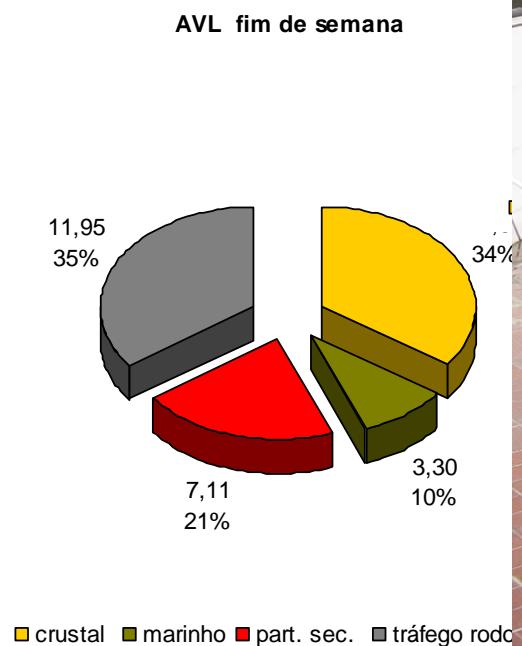
$$2.5^* \text{ Al}_2\text{O}_3 = \text{SiO}_2$$

GRAVIMETRY PM₁₀ 61.3 µg.m⁻³

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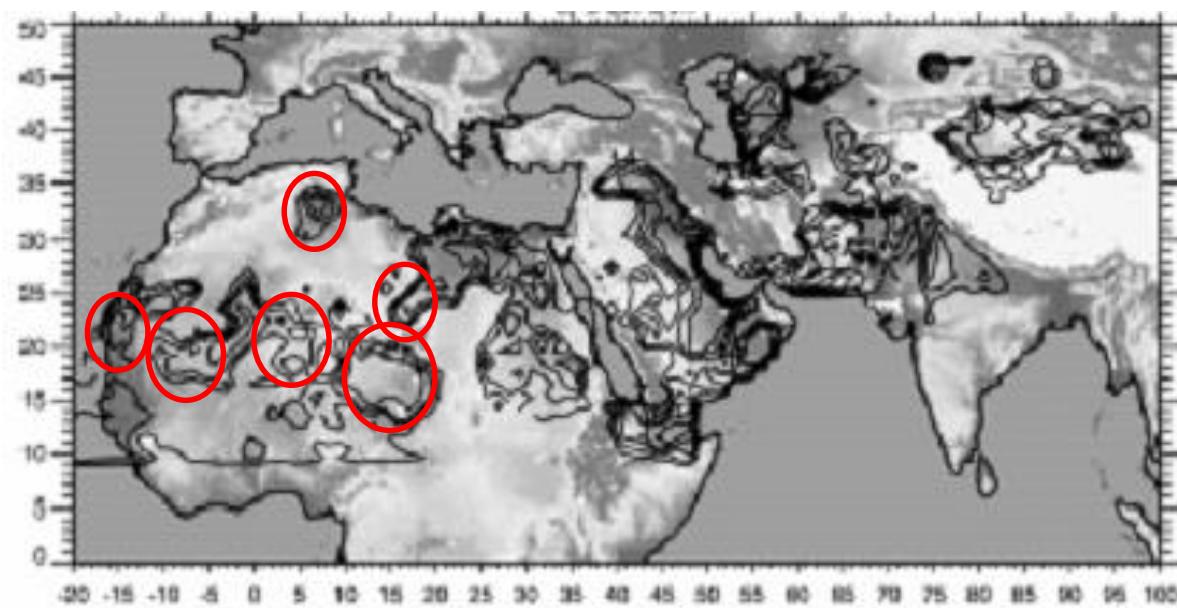
Chemical mass balance

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Long distance transport

Origin of episodes



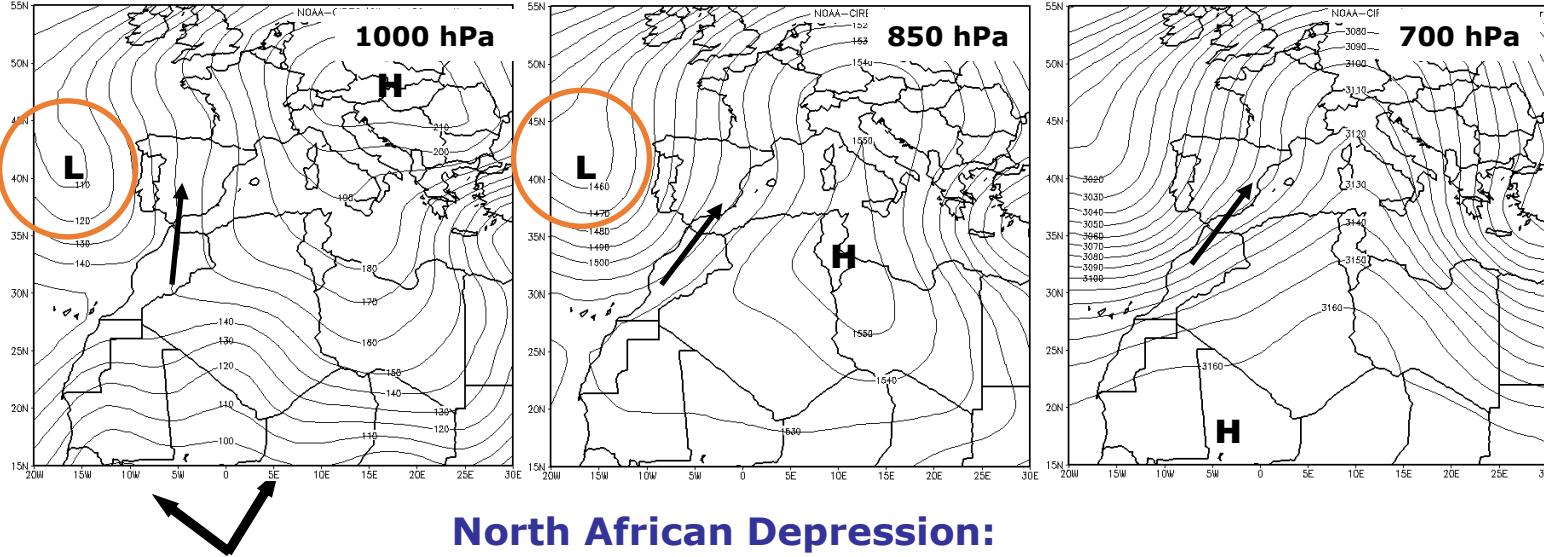
Natural events

Meteorology and probability of occurrence

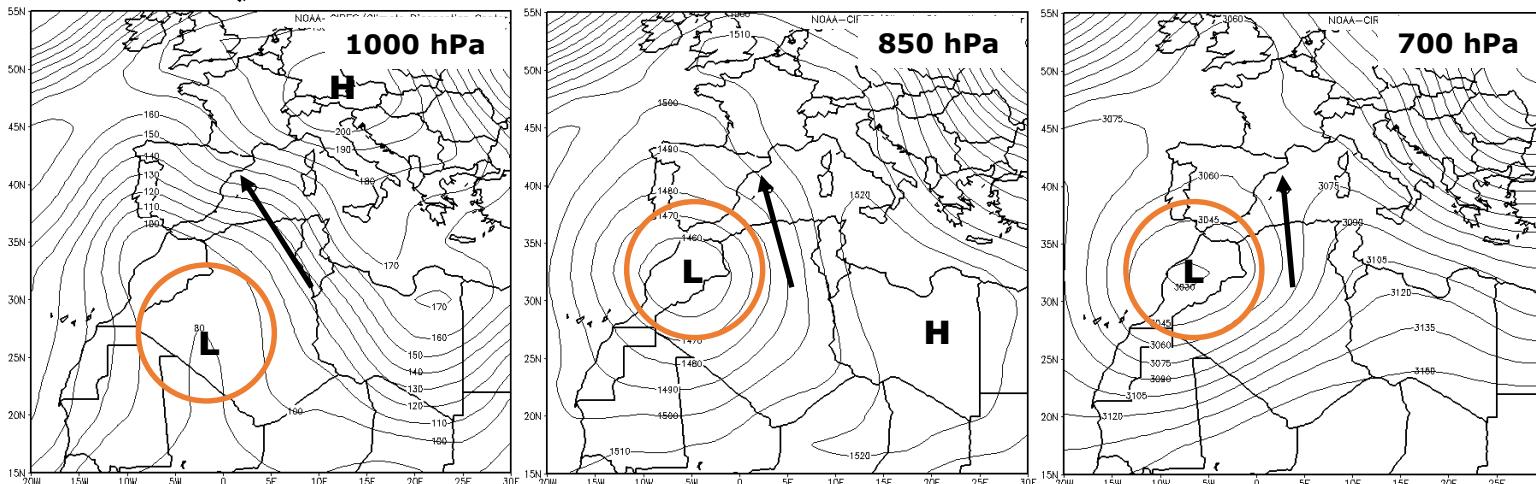
| Tipo de evento | Período | Fonte e meteorologia |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Fraca probabilidade, apenas áreas Sul | Novembro - Janeiro | Injecção atmosférica de poeiras inibida, eventos de poeiras apenas nas áreas Sul (P. Ibérica) |
| Eventos secos | Fevereiro - Março | Sahel Nuvens de partículas do Atlântico Anticíclopes (Med+NAF) |
| Chuvas vermelhas & Eventos secos | Abril - Junho | Sahel a Sahara Depressões (SW Portugal) e/ou Anticiclone (Med+NAF) |
| Eventos secos | Julho - Agosto | Sahara Vastos e intensos <i>outbreaks</i> de poeiras; anticyclone (Med+NAF) |
| Chuvas vermelhas & Eventos secos | Setembro - Outubro | Sahara a Sahel Depressões (SW Portugal) e/ou Anticiclone (Med+NAF) |

Transporte a longa distância de partículas: características meteorológicas

Atlantic Depression:

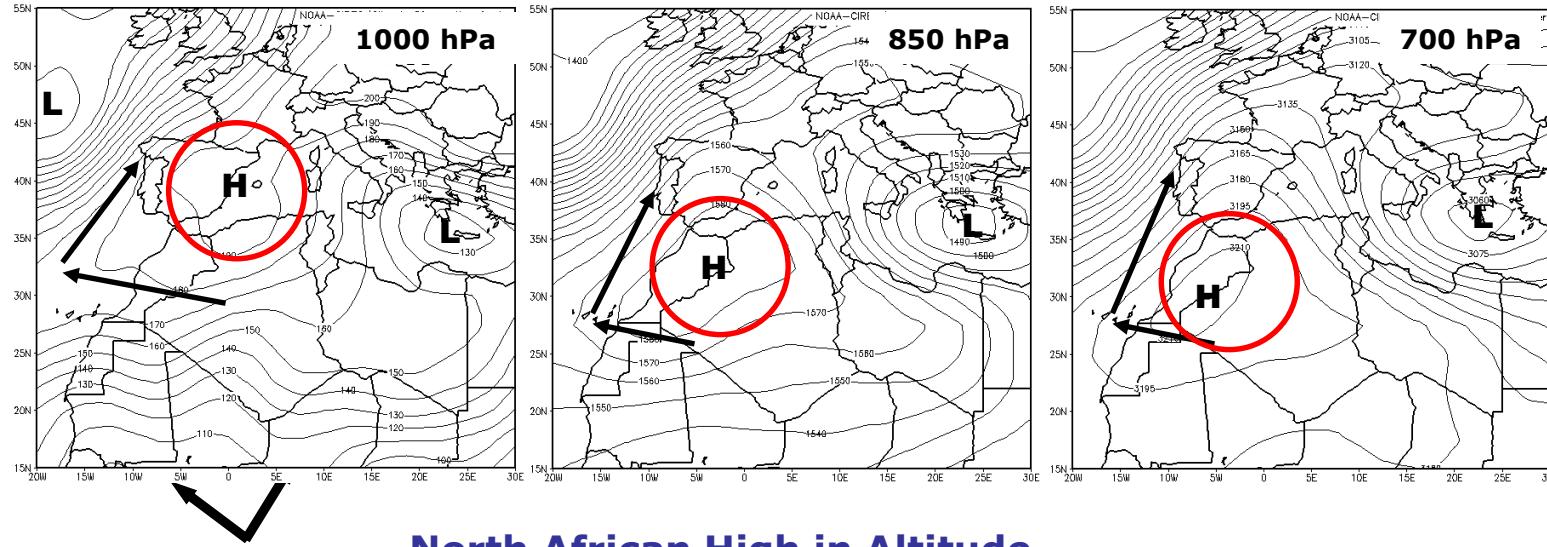


North African Depression:

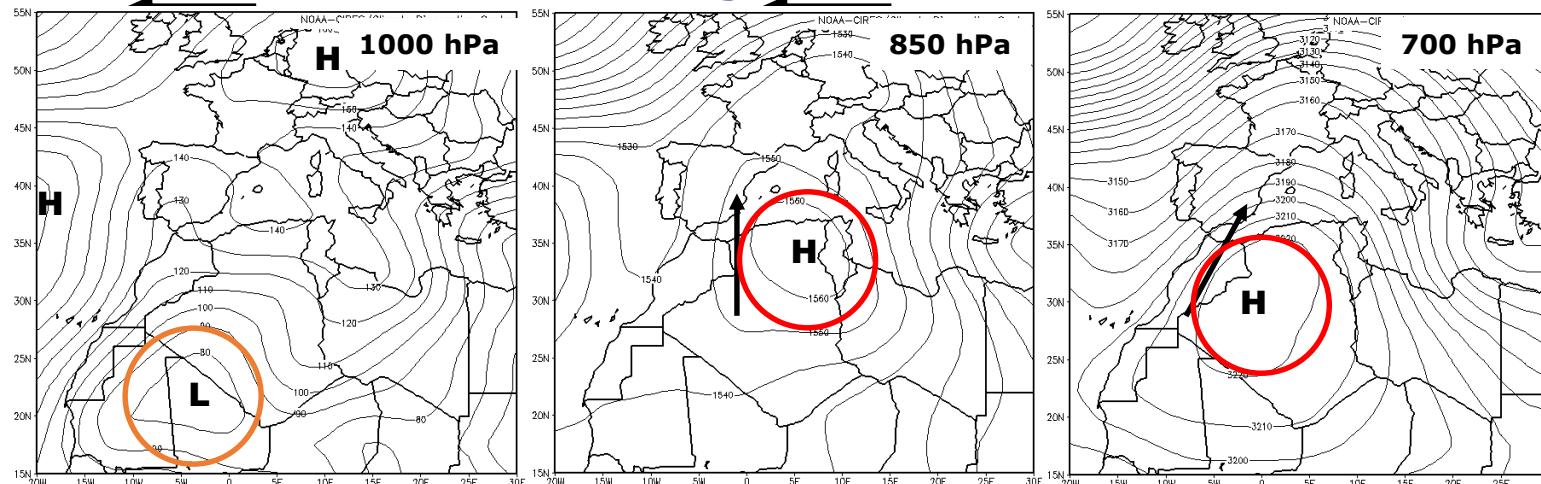


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North African High in Surface

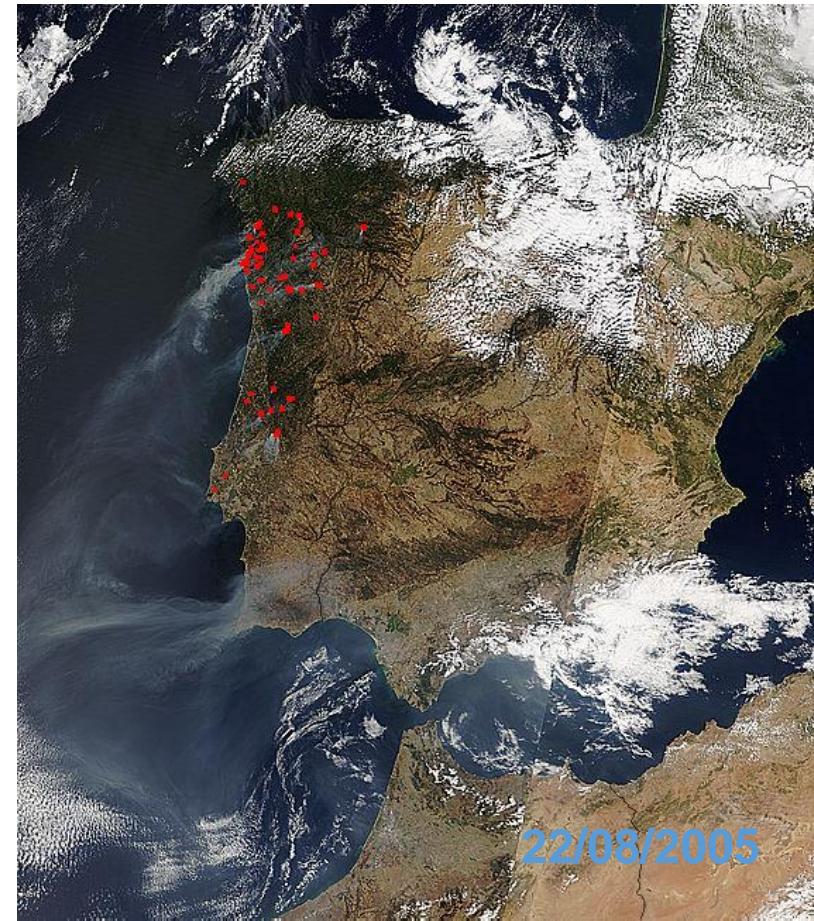


North African High in Altitude



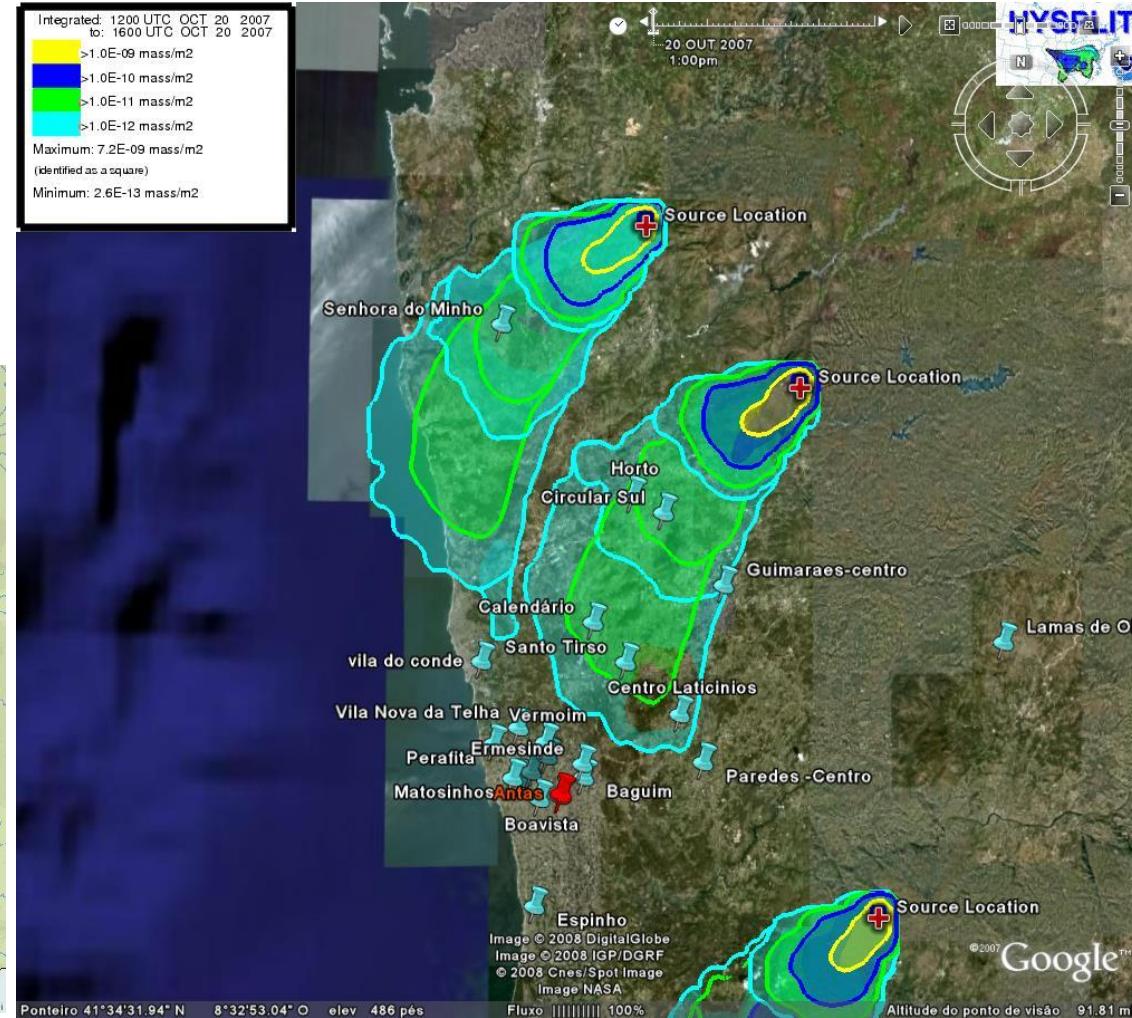
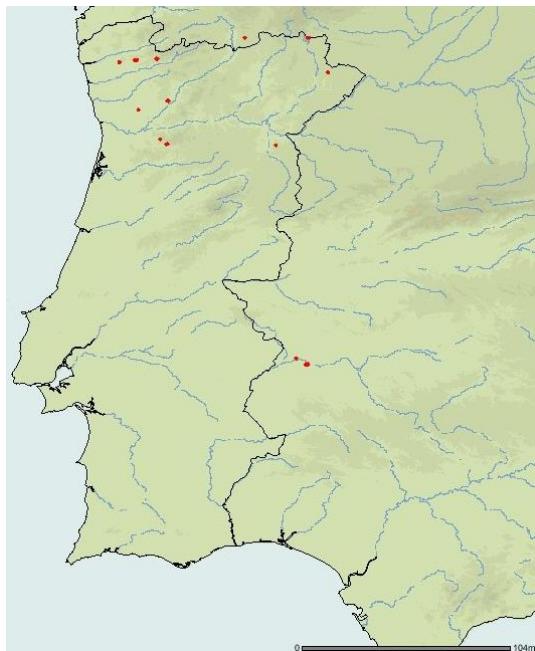
Forest fires

- Satellite (ex: Modis Terra e Aqua), Databases (ex: DGRF)



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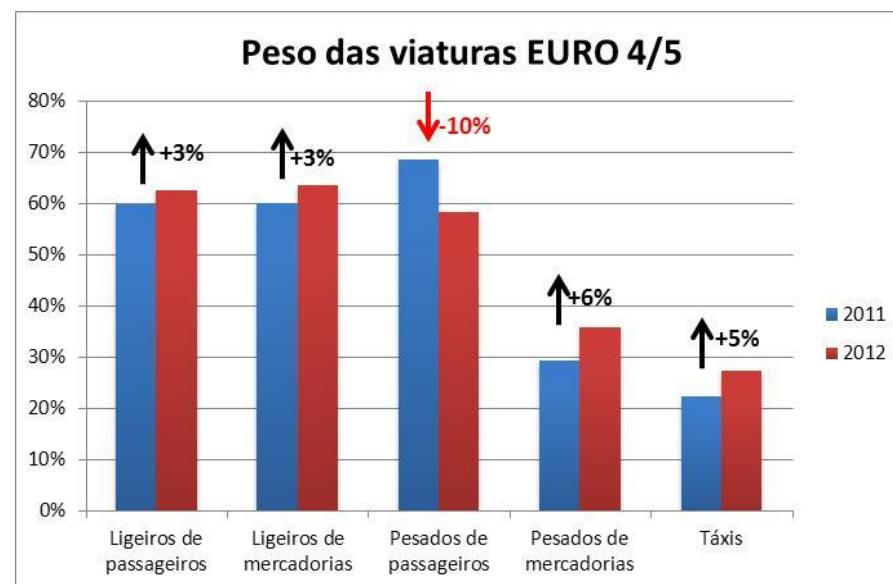
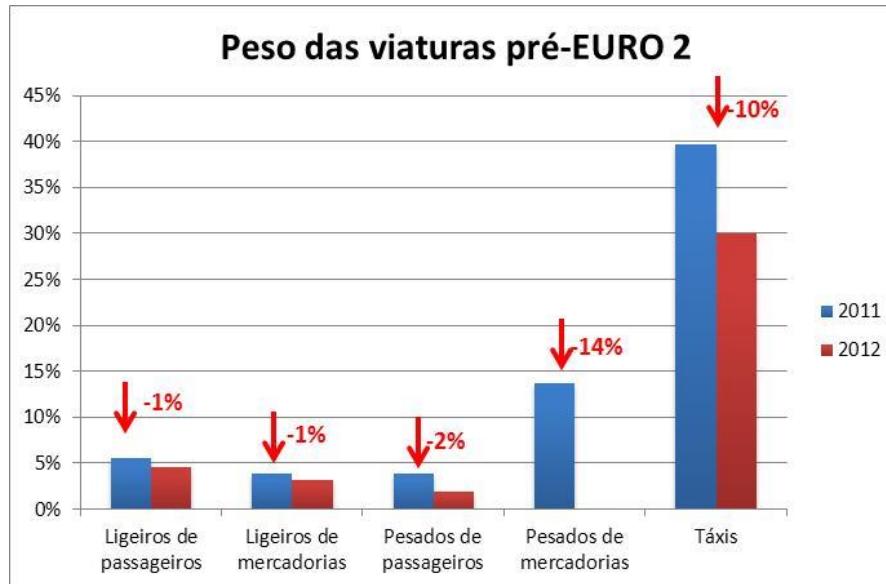
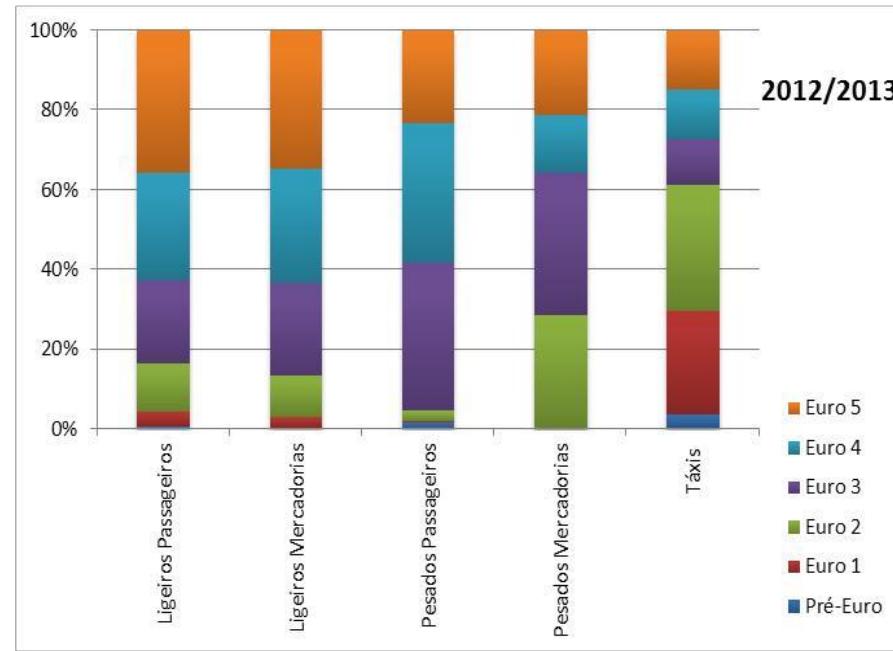
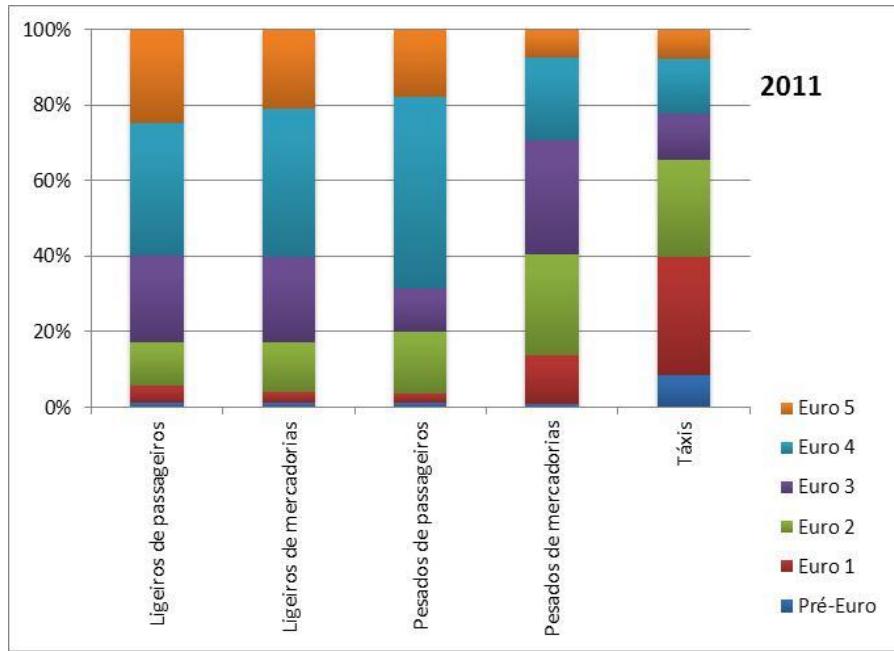
- Combination of satellite imagery* + Model (Hysplit)
- *web fire mapper



Plans and Programmes to Improve Air quality

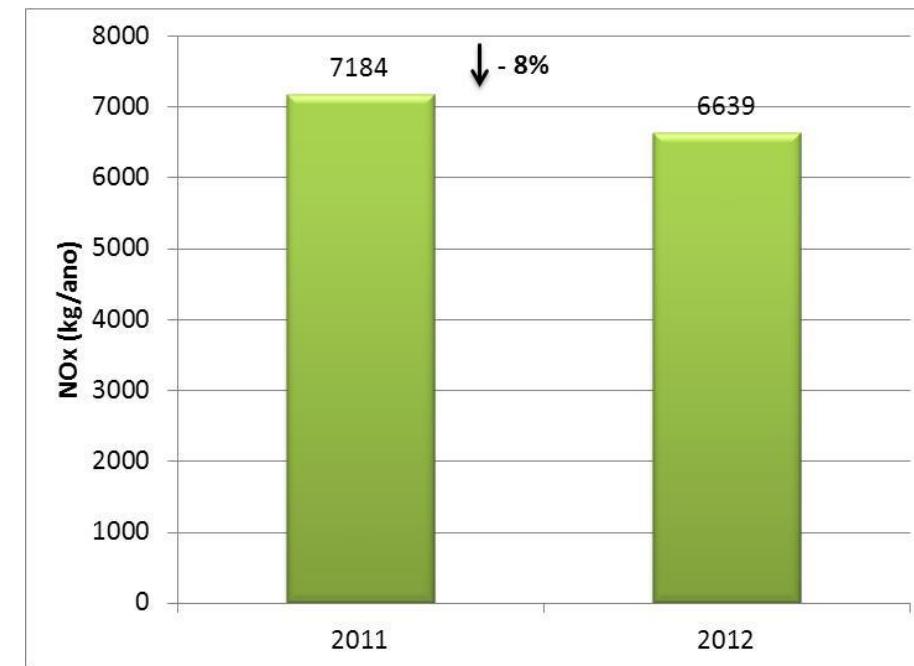
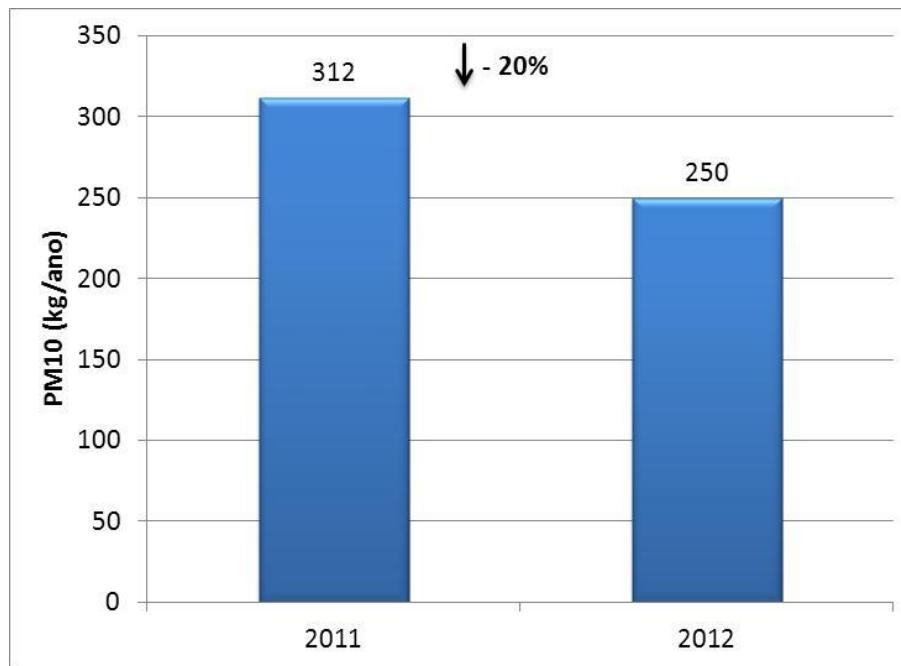


Before and after ZER Phase II – Fleet characterization

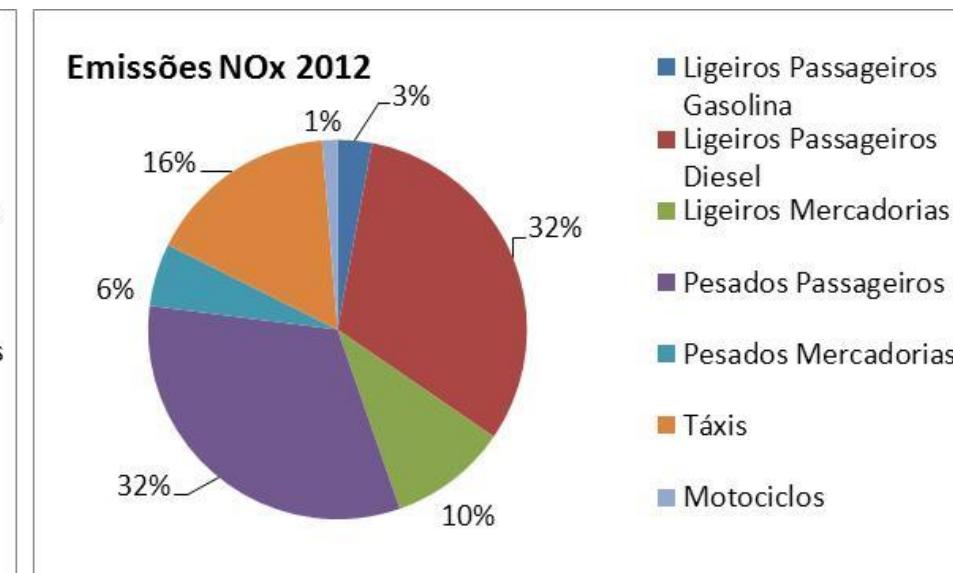
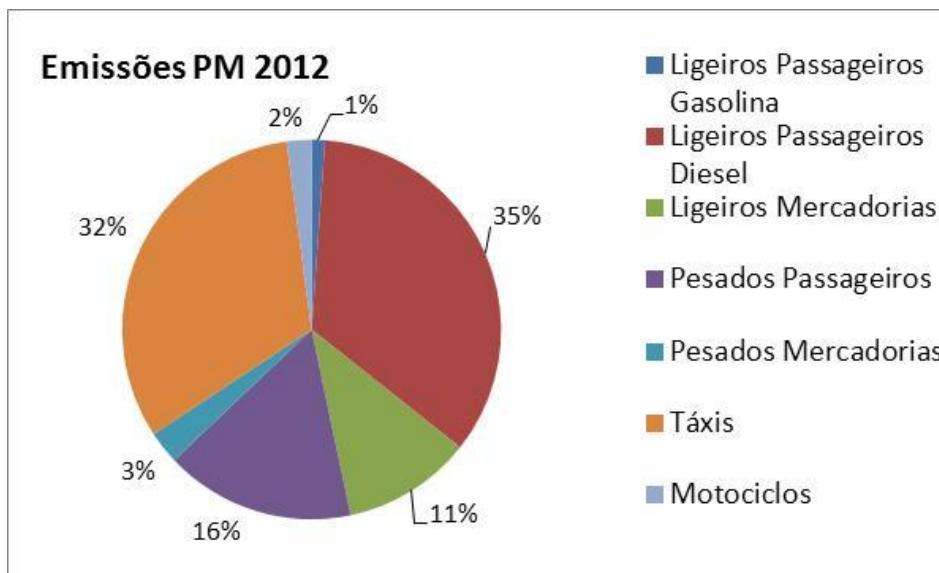
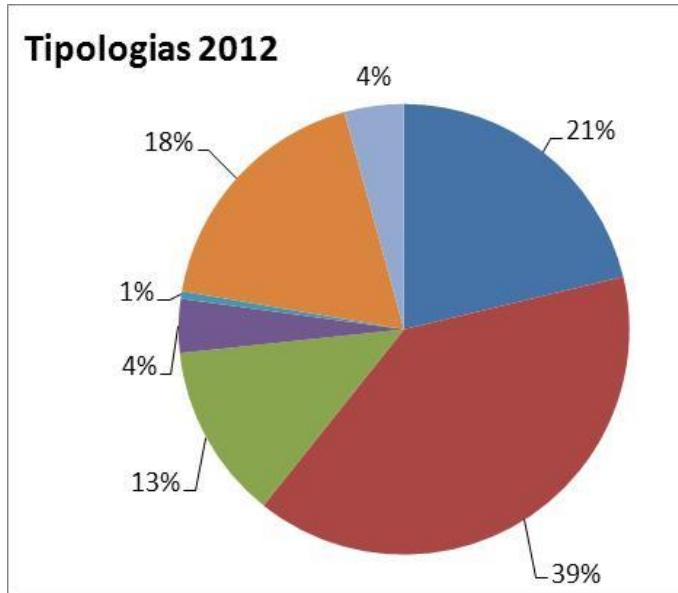


Before and after ZER – Emissions (Lisbon Center)

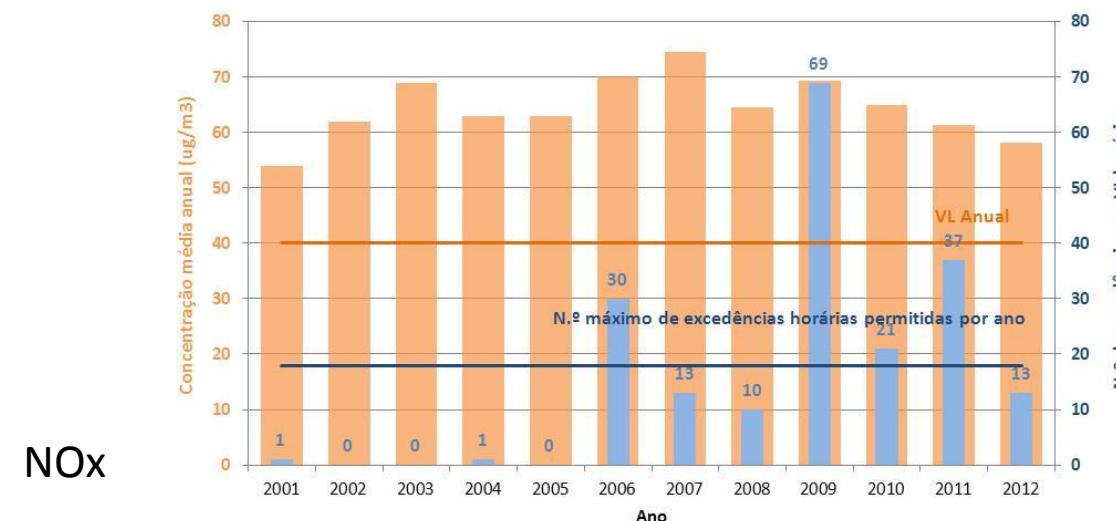
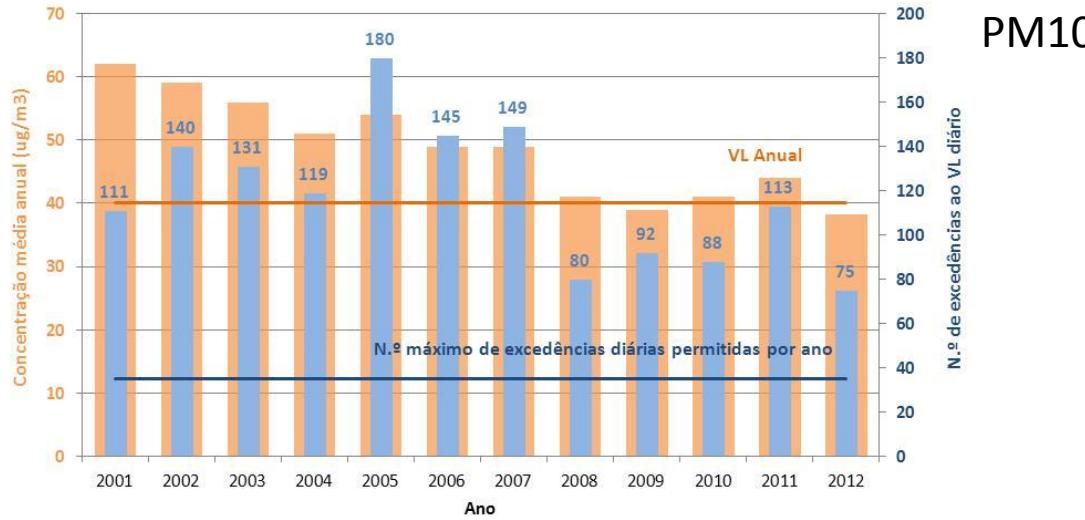
Less cars, modern fleets = less emissions



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Avenida da Liberdade – 2001/2012



Before and after ZER Phaase II (AVL)

