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Impact of traffic emissions on air quality in Warsaw

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Motivation

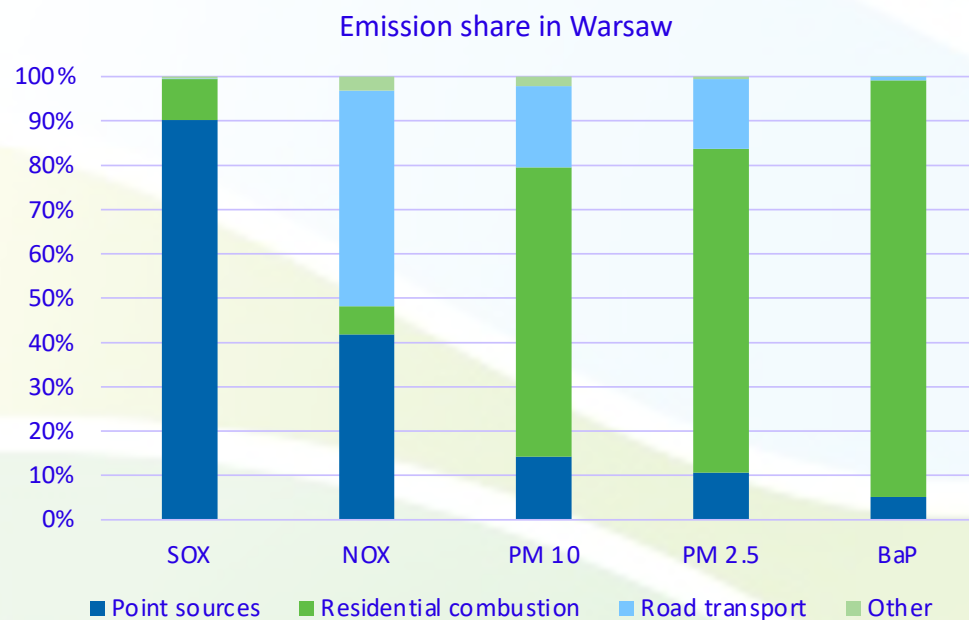
- To consolidate the research potential and ongoing work at IEP-NRI related to traffic sector
 - Traffic emission estimations
 - Analysis of AQ observations
 - AQ modelling
 - Health effects
- To establish the cooperation with related projects
 - CoMobility Project
 - VITO (ATMO-street model setup/testing for Warsaw)
- To provide a scientifically sound results to the City of Warsaw



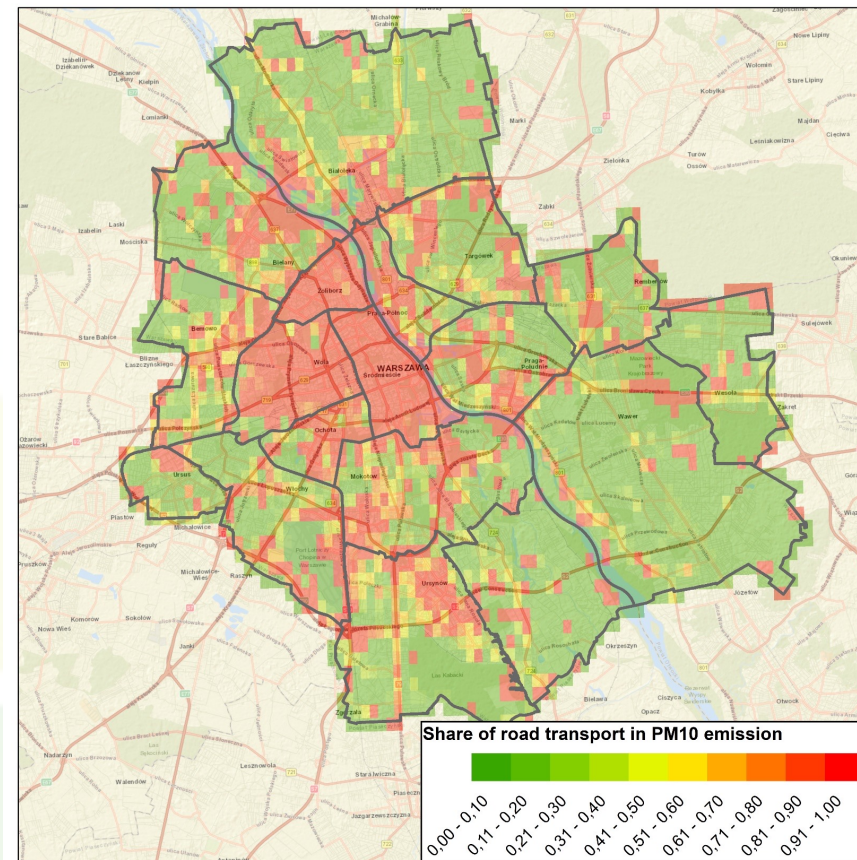
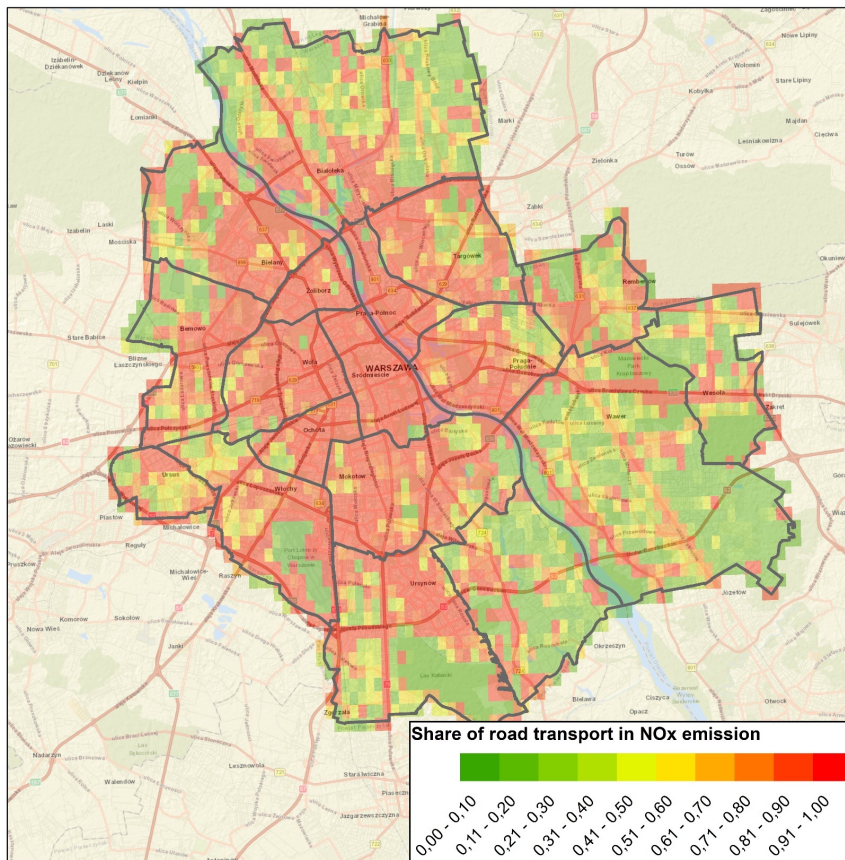
Emission analysis

- Emission Department is responsible for the development, maintenance and annual updates of the Central Emission database – the high resolution national emission inventory
- For last 2 years a new approach for traffic emission is being developed (based on mobile application for car drivers - Yanosik)

	Point sources	Residential combustion	Road transport	Other
SOX	90,2%	9,2%	0,2%	0,3%
NOX	41,8%	6,3%	48,8%	3,1%
PM 10	14,3%	65,2%	18,3%	2,2%
PM 2.5	10,7%	73,0%	15,8%	0,6%
BaP	5,2%	94,0%	0,8%	0,0%



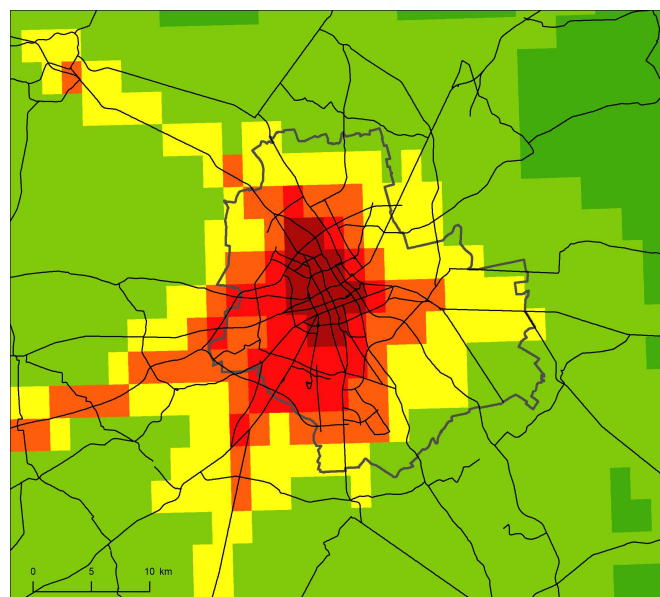
Traffic emissions (% of total emission load)



Annual assessment 2021 – source contribution



Year: 2021
Resolution: 2,5km
Species: PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}
Method: brute-force

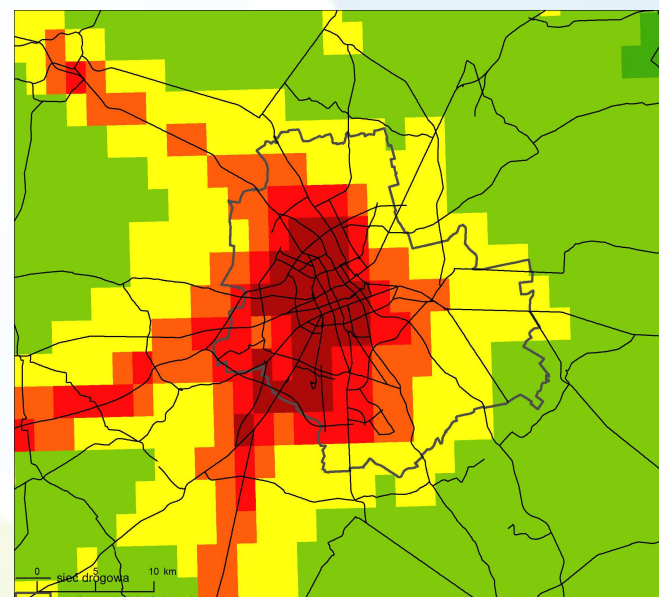


Udział emisji z sektora transportu w stężeniu średniorocznym PM₁₀:

0,3% - 5%
5,1% - 10%
10,1% - 15%
15,1% - 20%
20,1% - 25%
25,1% - 31,7%

— sieć drogowa
□ strefy oceny jakości powietrza

PM₁₀



Udział emisji z sektora transportu w stężeniu średniorocznym PM_{2.5}:

3,6% - 5%
5,1% - 10%
10,1% - 15%
15,1% - 20%
20,1% - 25%
25,1% - 33,4%

— sieć drogowa
□ strefy oceny jakości powietrza

PM_{2.5}

SHERPA bottom-up → Warsaw NO₂, PM₁₀

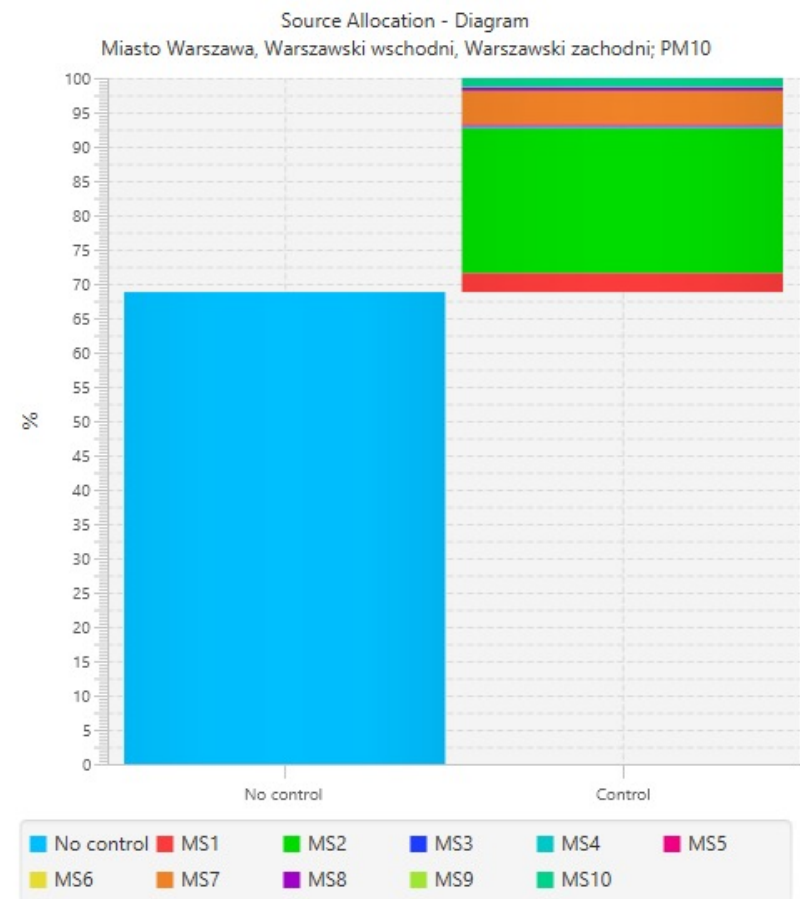
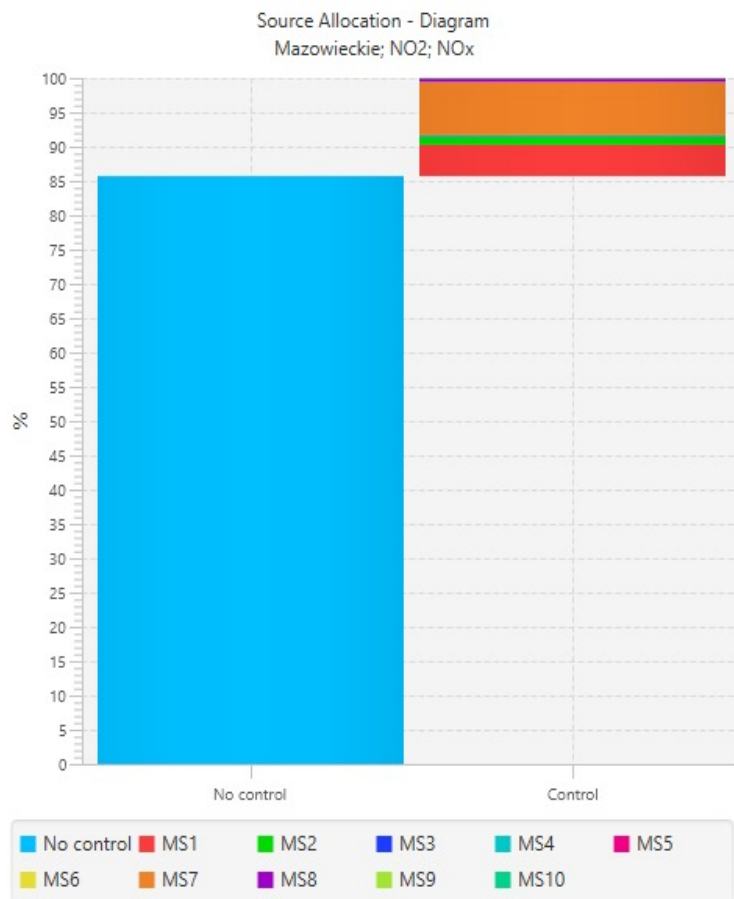


Year: 2018

Resolution: 2,5km

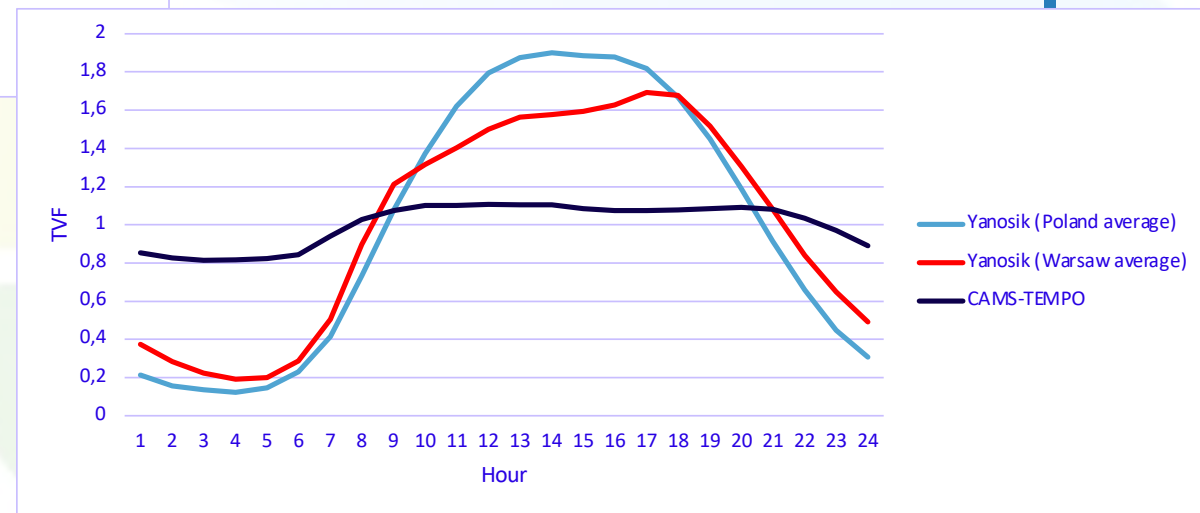
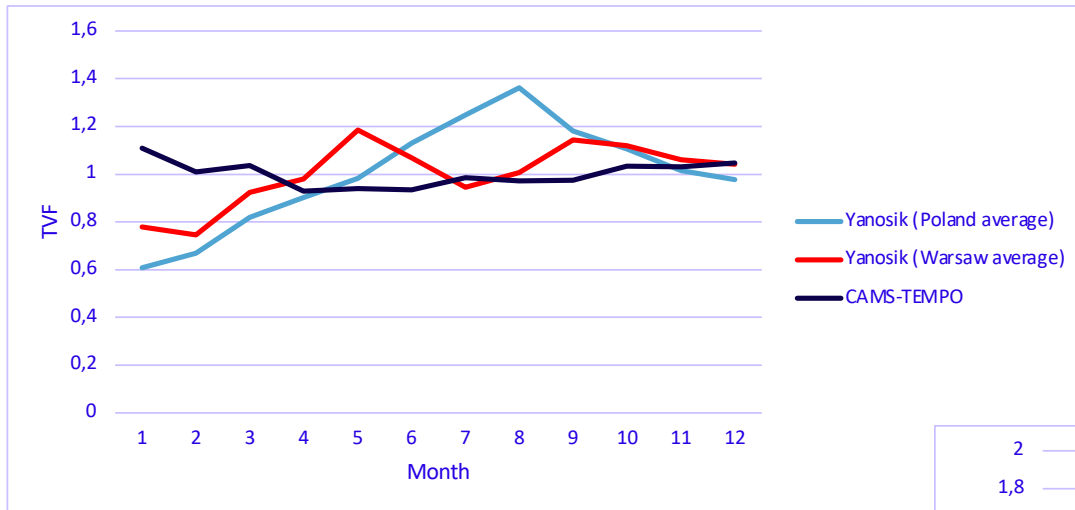
Species: PM10, NO2

Method: SHERPA



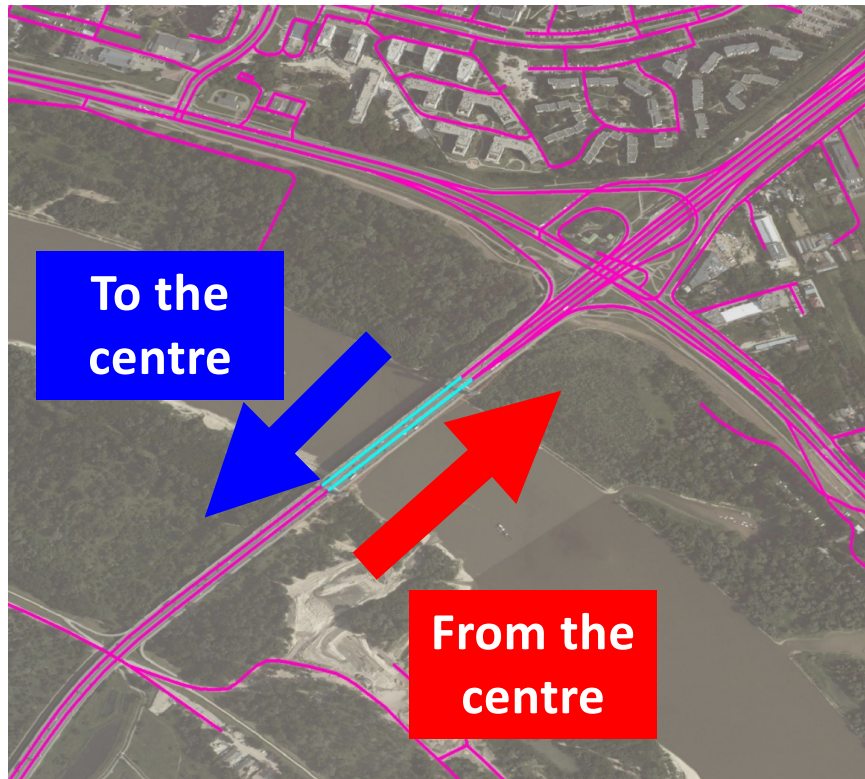


Traffic sector - temporal variability (Yanosik)

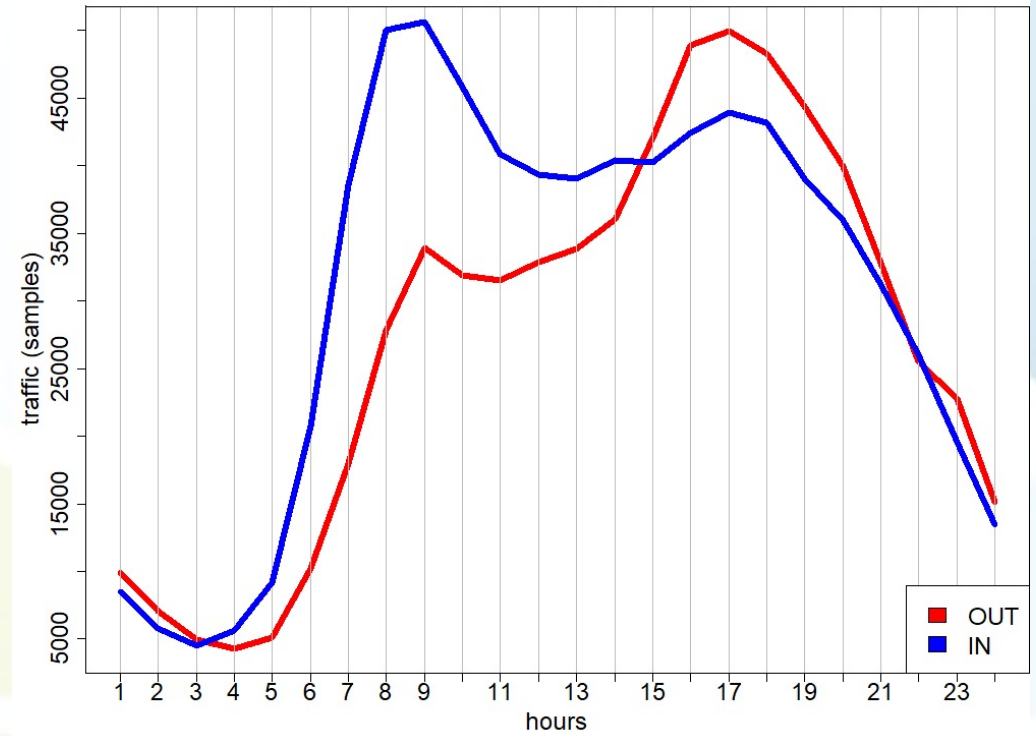




Temporal variability



Hourly traffic (samples) variability





Observations (traffic stations vs. urban background)

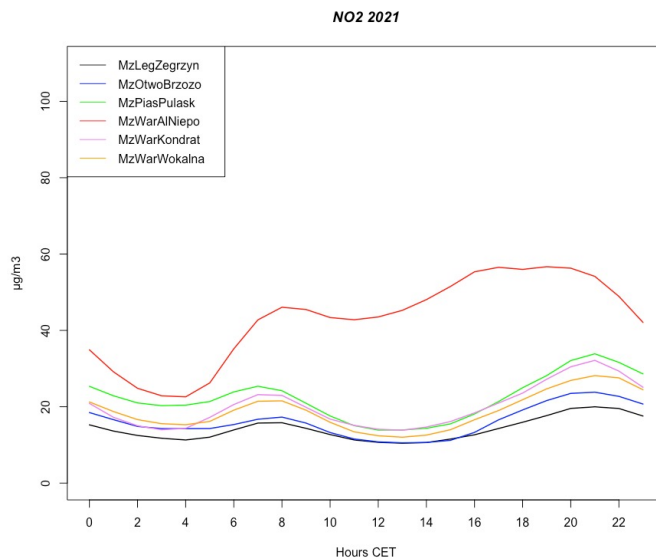
- Period 2016-2021
- Only one traffic station
→ Al. Niepodleglosci
- Analysis for NO_2 , PM_{10} , $\text{PM}_{2.5}$



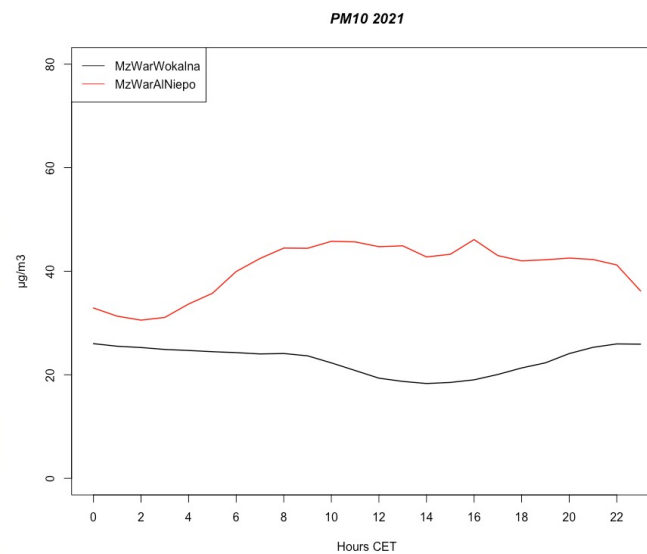


Observations (traffic station vs. urban background, 2021)

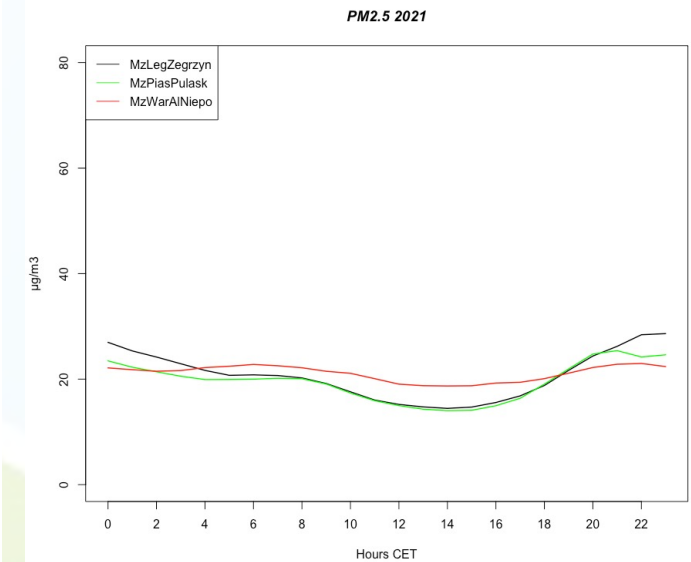
NO₂



PM₁₀



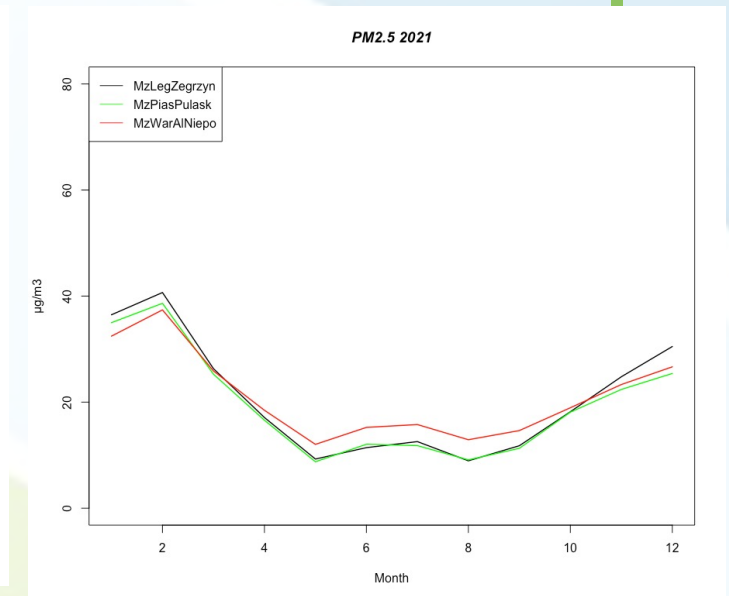
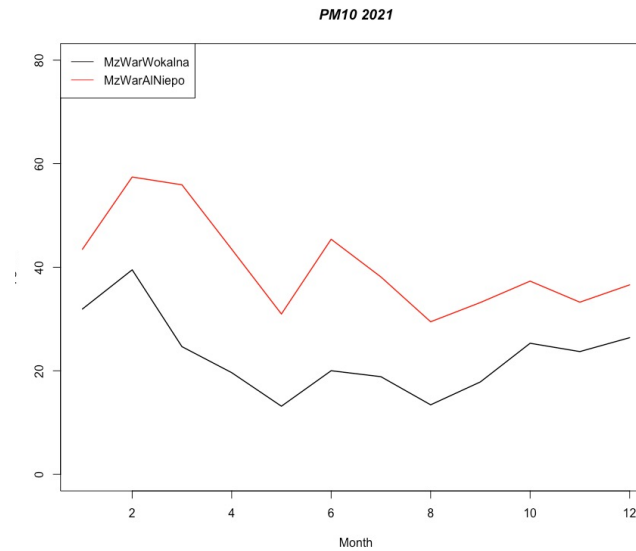
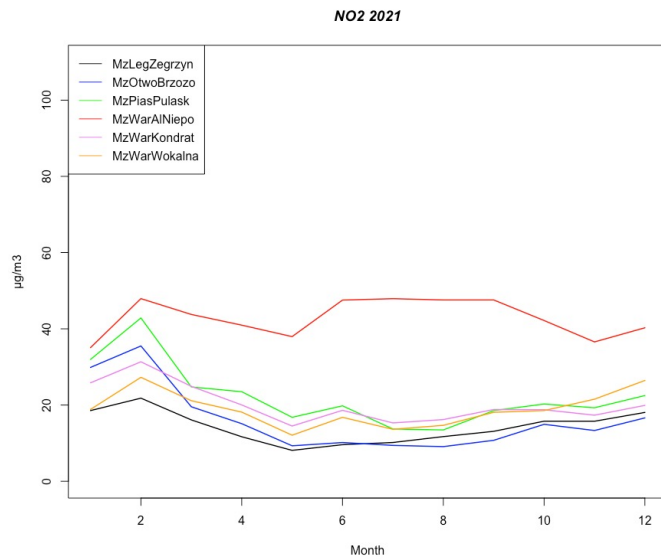
PM_{2.5}



- For PM₁₀ and NO₂ observations at traffic site are significantly higher than at urban background stations
- NO₂ variability shows similar pattern related to traffic hours
- PM₁₀ concentrations at traffic station increase in the morning and show small variability (resuspension?)
- PM_{2.5} concentrations are similar at traffic and urban background stations

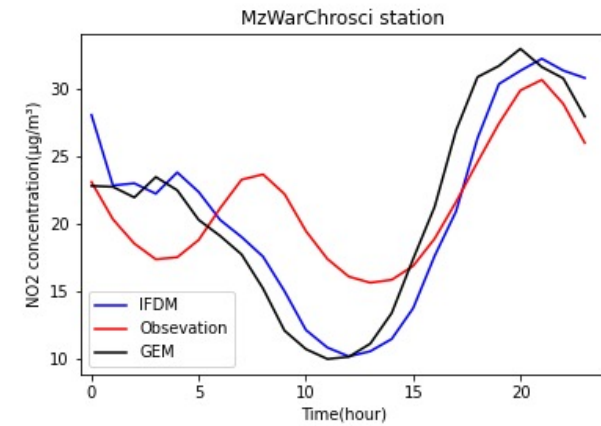
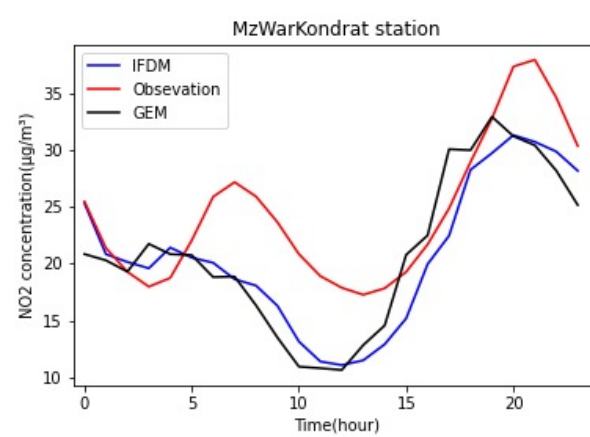
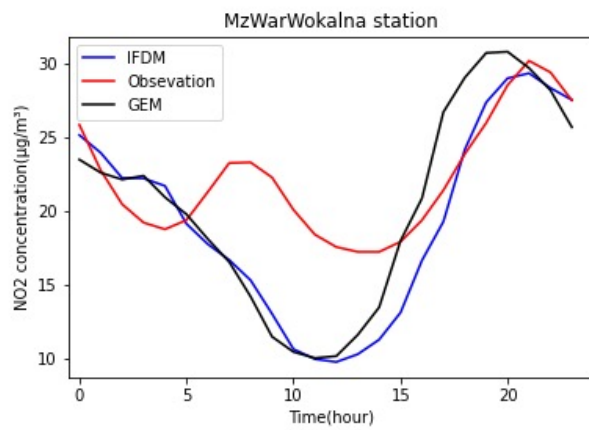
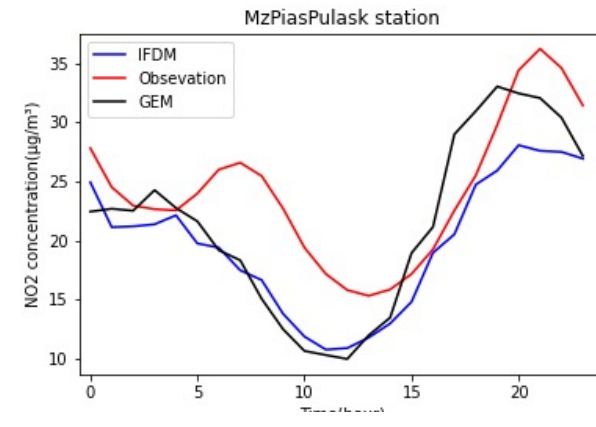
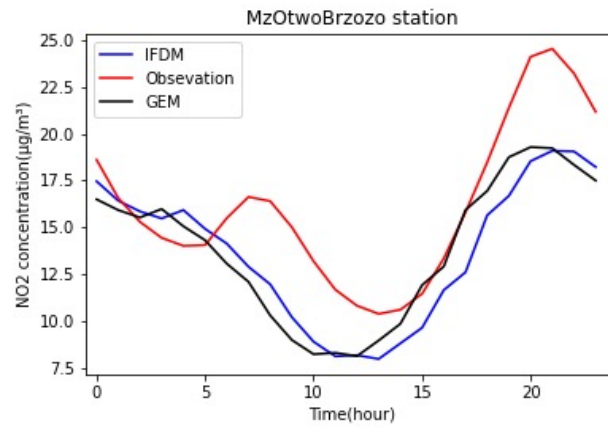
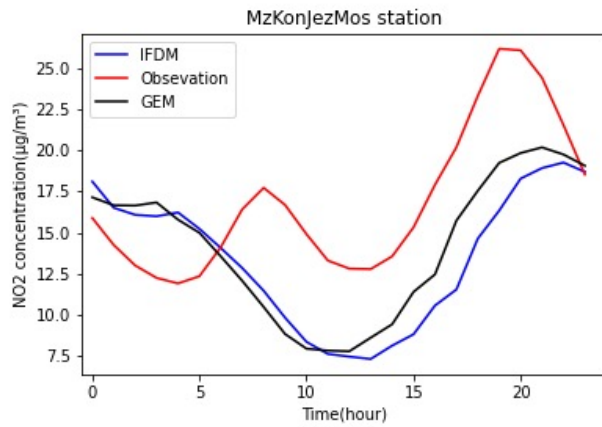


Observations (traffic stations vs. urban background, 2021)

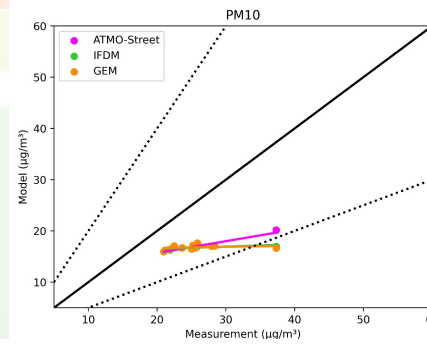
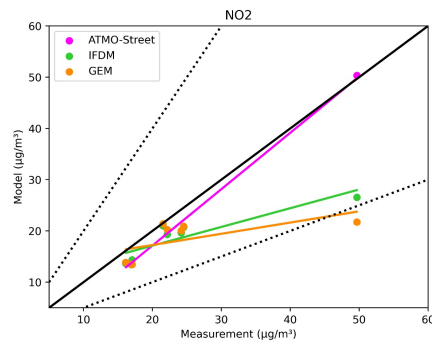
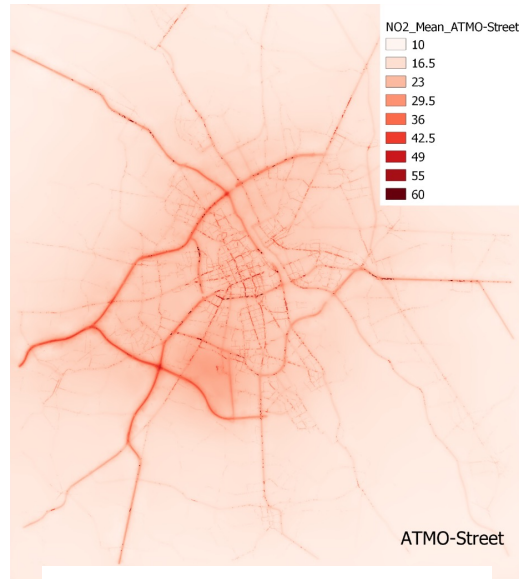


- Monthly pattern follows urban background for PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}

NO₂ hourly plots in other stations (2019)



ATMO-Street model (VITO) → NO₂



Summary

- YANOSIK data gives an opportunity to analyse traffic intensity and assess time factors. **Estimated emission intensity differs from the profiles used so far in the model simulations.**
- Observational data variability suggests that in the case of NO_2 concentrations follow traffic intensity estimates. In the case of PM_{10} the pattern may suggest that resuspension plays major role. For $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ the difference between traffic and urban background stations is relatively small. This may suggest that **emissions from transport sector do not play a major role and the inventory may be overestimated for $\text{PM}_{2.5}$**
- Significant differences in „traffic contributions” estimates depending on the approach and emission data applied (e.g. 2018 vs. 2021).
- ATMO-Street model underestimated PM_{10} and $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ concentrations at all sites, while NO_2 concentrations are underestimated at the urban background sites



Future work

- Further simulations with ATMO-street (new “2019 background”)
 - Planned sensitivity analysis for the temporal profiles
 - Simulations for Warsaw using local the model developed at IEP-NRI
 - Suggested revision of PM_{2.5} traffic emissions
 - Updated source contribution calculations (comparison 2019-2022)
 - Health analysis based on AirQ+
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- We will continue the analysis for Warsaw – a measurement campaign focused on PM₁₀ is planned during the winter period 2022/2023 (vertical measurements with the aerostat)





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Thank you

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