



Hg attribution & long-term simulations:

Program of numerical experiments on Hg within HTAP

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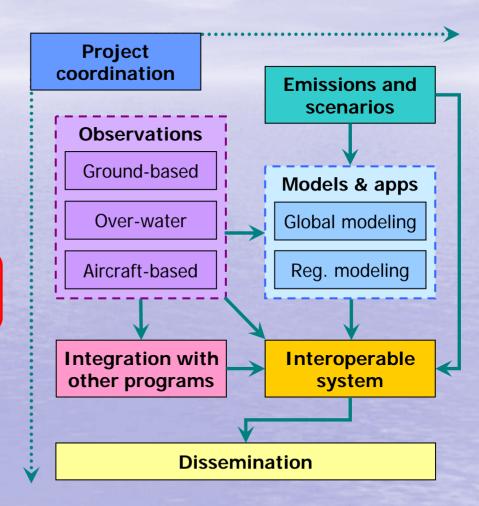




GMOS: Global Hg observation system

Major project components:

- Global monitoring system for Hg (land-based, over-water and aircraft observations)
- Updates of Hg emissions inventory and future scenarios
- Development and application of global and regional scale models
- Interoperable system for collection and dissemination of the project data







Hg models involved in GMOS/HTAP

Model	Scale	Туре	Institution
ICHMERIT	global	atmospheric	CNR-IIA (Italy)
GLEMOS	global	partly M-M	EMEP/MSC-E
GRAHM	global	partly M-M	Environment Canada
DEHM	hem.	partly M-M	Aarhus Univ. (Denmark)
CMAQ-Hg	hem.	atmospheric	Lamar University (USA)
WRF-Chem	regional	atmospheric	CNR-IIA (Italy)
CMAQ-Hg	regional	atmospheric	HZG (Germany)
GEOS-Chem	global	multi-media	Harvard Univ. (USA)
CMAQ-Hg	regional	partly M-M	US EPA (USA)
HYSPLIT	global	atmospheric	NOAA (USA)

Proposals for numerical experiments program

- 1. Simulation of short-term observational episodes (2012)
- 2. Long-term simulations and evaluation against monitoring networks data (2012-2013)
- 3. Hindcast of historical trends (2013)
- Source apportionment for different source types (contemporary anthropogenic, natural, legacy) (2013-2014)
- Evaluation of future emission and climate scenarios (2014-2015)

1. Simulation of short-term episodes

Objective: Detailed evaluation of model parameterizations in different atmospheric environments

Method: Simulation of Hg concentration and air-surface exchange fluxes for particular measurement episodes and comparison with detailed observations

Measurements: Intensive land-based, aircraft and overwater measurements of Hg species (Hg⁰/TGM, RGM, HgP) and various ancillary parameters.

Models: Global/hemispheric, regional models jective

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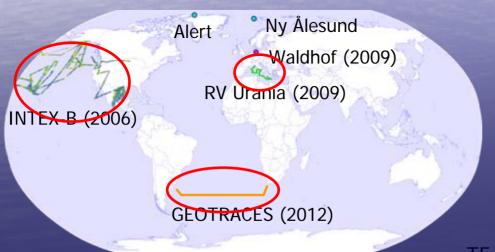
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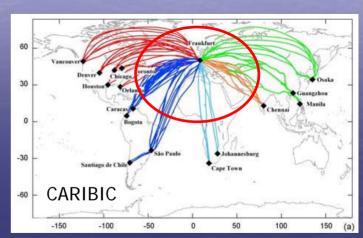
Marine boundary layer

- RV Urania cruise (Mediterranean Sea, June 2009)
- GEOTRACES cruise (Southern Atlantic, Jan-Feb 2012)

Free troposphere and UT/LS

- INTEX-B campaign (North America/Northern Pacific, 2006, 2008)
- CARIBIC project (Europe/global, 2009)





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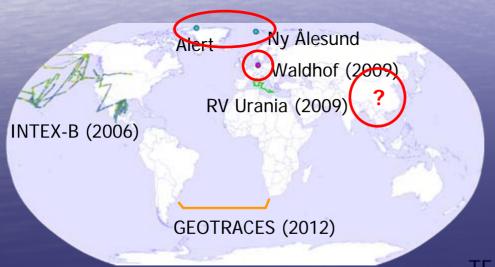
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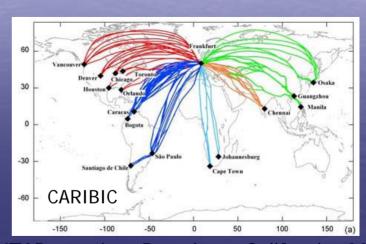
Continental boundary layer

- EMEP measurements at site Waldhof (Germany, 2009)
- Field campaigns in Asia (CBL, depending on availability of data)

Polar regions

CAMNet and/or EMEP measurements in the Arctic (AMDEs, 2009)





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2. Evaluation vs. long-term measurements

Objective: Reproduce observed spatial gradients and temporal variation of Hg levels and evaluate different physical and chemical mechanisms

Method: Annual model runs (2009) to simulate air concentrations of Hg species and wet deposition fluxes over the globe and comparison with long-term ground-based observations from monitoring networks.

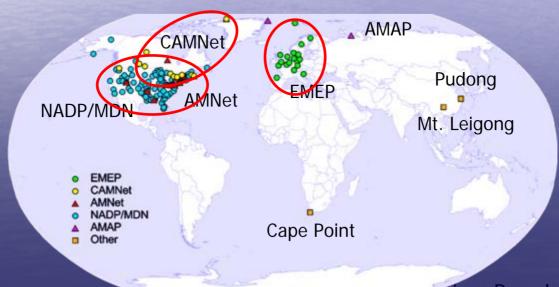
Measurements: Ground-level air concentration of Hg species (Hg⁰/TGM, RGM, HgP) and wet deposition fluxes from existing networks (EMEP, AMNet, CAMNet, AMAP, NADP/MDN, etc.)

Models: Global/hemispheric, regional models

2. Evaluation vs. long-term measurements

Monitoring networks:

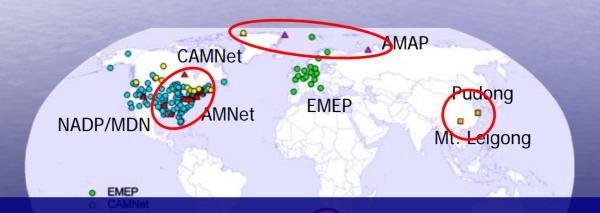
- EMEP network (Europe, 17 sites, Hg⁰/TGM, RGM, HgP, wet deposition)
- NADP/MDN network (North America, 90 sites, wet deposition)
- CAMNet network (Canada/Arctic, 11 sites, Hg⁰/TGM)



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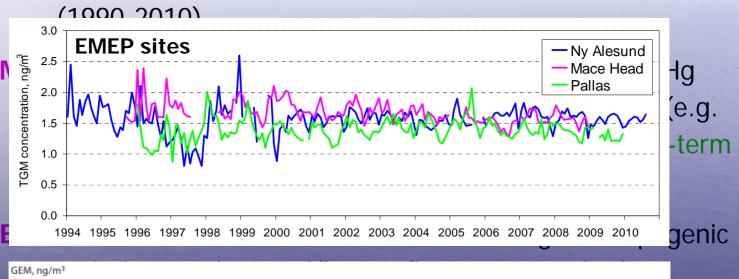
- AMNet network (USA/Canada, 21 sites, Hg⁰/TGM)
- AMAP network (Arctic, 4 sites, Hg⁰)
- Cape Point (South Africa, 1 site, Hg⁰)
- Mt. Leigong (China, 1 site, Hg⁰, wet deposition)
- Pudong, Shanghai (China, 1 site, TGM)

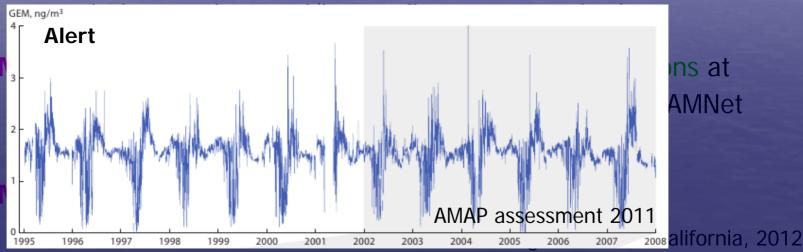


New GMOS measurements could be also involved at later stages

3. Hindcast of historical trends

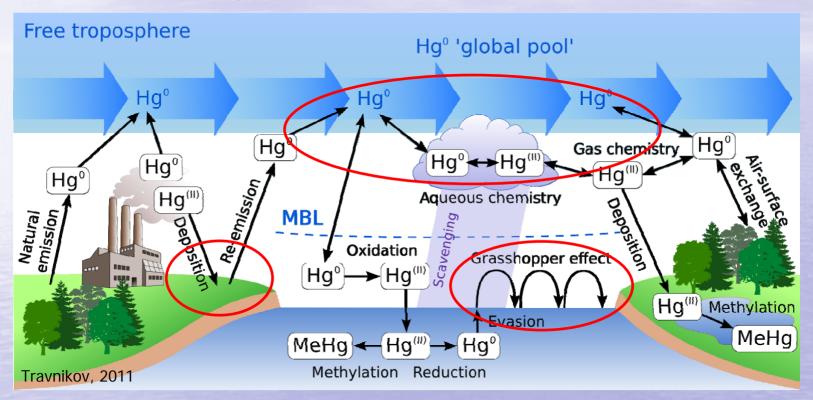
Objective: Reconstruct long-term changes of Hg pollution levels in different parts of the world during last 20 years





4. Source apportionment

Hg intercontinental transport



HTAP Assessment 2010: Multi-media aspect is principal for Hg long-term cycling on a global scale

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Objective: Evaluate source apportionment of Hg concentration and deposition over the globe taking into account multi-media character of Hg dispersion in the environment

Method:

- Base 3-year run (e.g. 2008-2010) and a number of perturbation runs to evaluate source apportionment
- Source types contemporary anthropogenic, natural, legacy
- Initial conditions for "natural/legacy sources" defined as Hg concentration in soil and ocean or as pre-defined net exchange fluxes constrained on observations
- Multi-year spinup to get steady state at the beginning of the main simulation period

Models: Global/hemispheric atmospheric and multi-media models

5. Future scenarios

Objective: Evaluate change in Hg pollution levels and source apportionment as a result of expected air pollution abatement efforts or climate change

Method:

- "Snapshots" of Hg future cycling in the environment for selected periods (e.g. around 2030 and 2050)
- Initial conditions based on application of multi-media simulations for long period (e.g. 2010-2050) or use of present-day conditions
- Separate consideration of the effects of emissions reduction and climate change

Emissions: Future scenarios for 2030 and 2050 are required

Meteorology: Climate simulations based on IPCC scenarios

Models: Global/hemispheric atmospheric and multi-media models