

Étude du transport des pollens en France avec le modèle de chimie-transport atmosphérique **CHIMERE**

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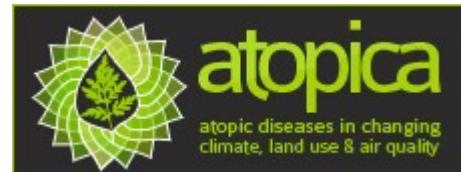
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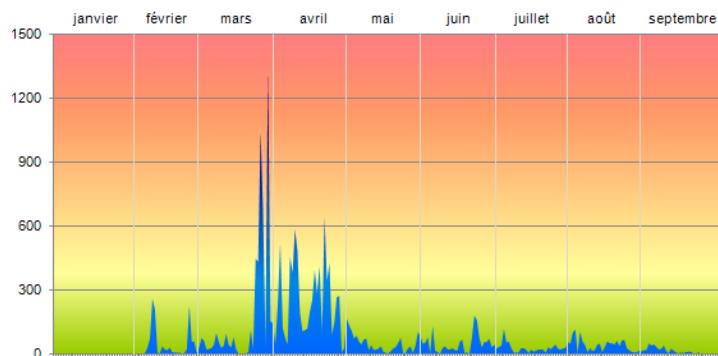
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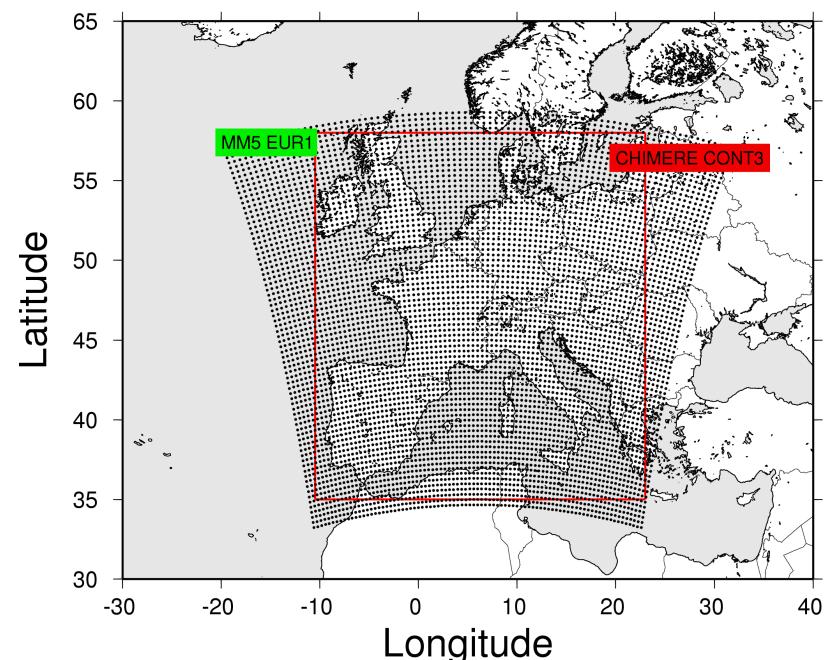
Modélisation de dispersion atmosphérique vs Observation

Le R.N.S.A.: observation et des services depuis 1996 ...



Que peut apporter la modélisation de dispersion atmosphérique?

- Prévision de pollinisation de sources éloignées
- Contexte régionale d'événements de pollution
- Estimation des impacts de mesures de prévention



CHIMERE Chemistry-Transport Model

CHIMERE is an off-line chemistry-transport model, a French CNRS national tool:

<http://www.lmd.polytechnique.fr/chimere>

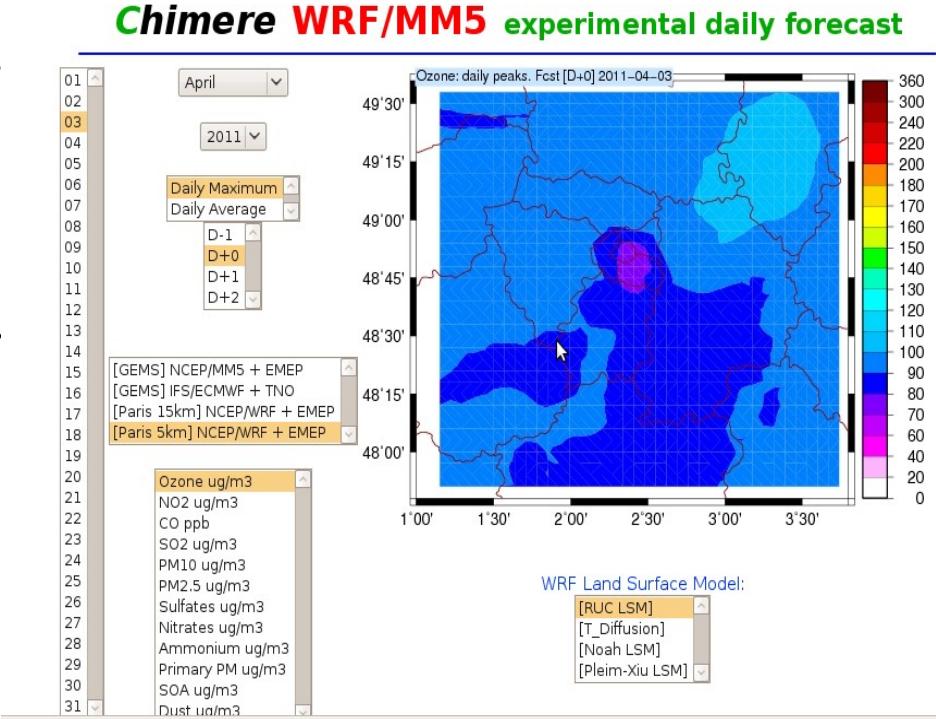
Developed by IPSL/LMD and INERIS

- Used by more than 160 users for research or forecast
- Involved in projects such as GEMS, AMMA, GEOMON, CIRCE, MACC, ATOPICA, etc.

Pollen transport processes:

- Horizontal transport using the Van Leer or PPM scheme
- Turbulent vertical mixing using a non-local plume scheme (Troen & Mahrt, 1986; Cheinet 2002)
- Convection (Tiedke, 1989)
- Gravitational settlement
- Wet deposition (wash out)

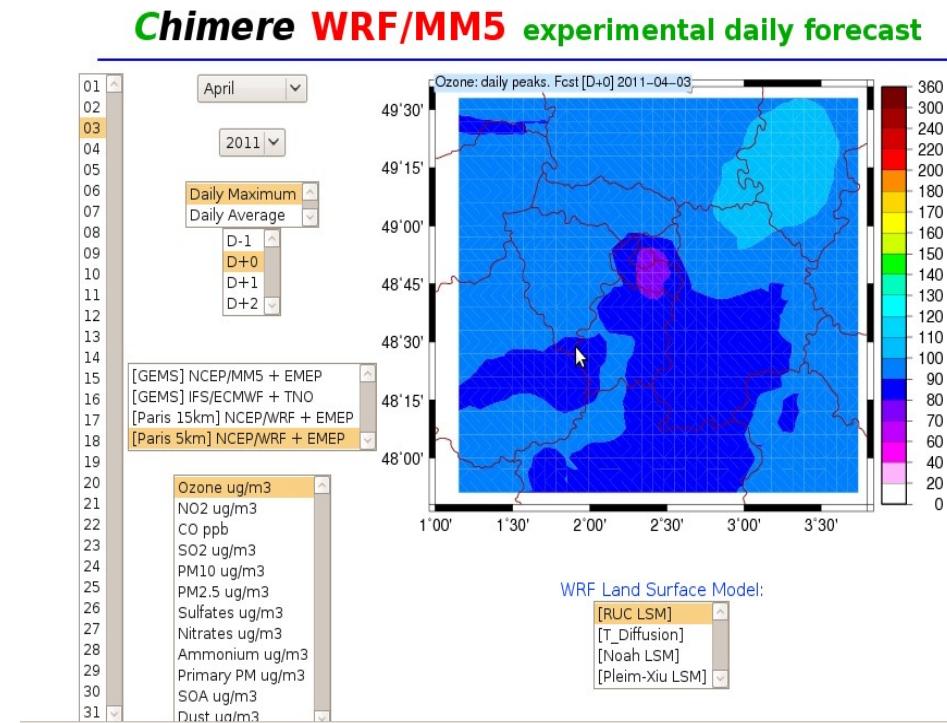
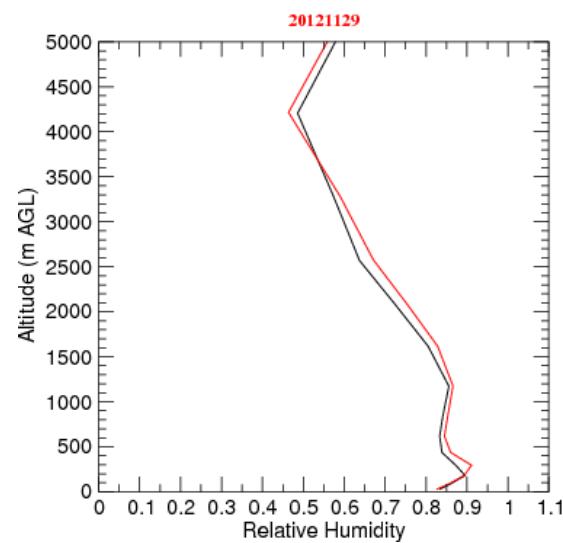
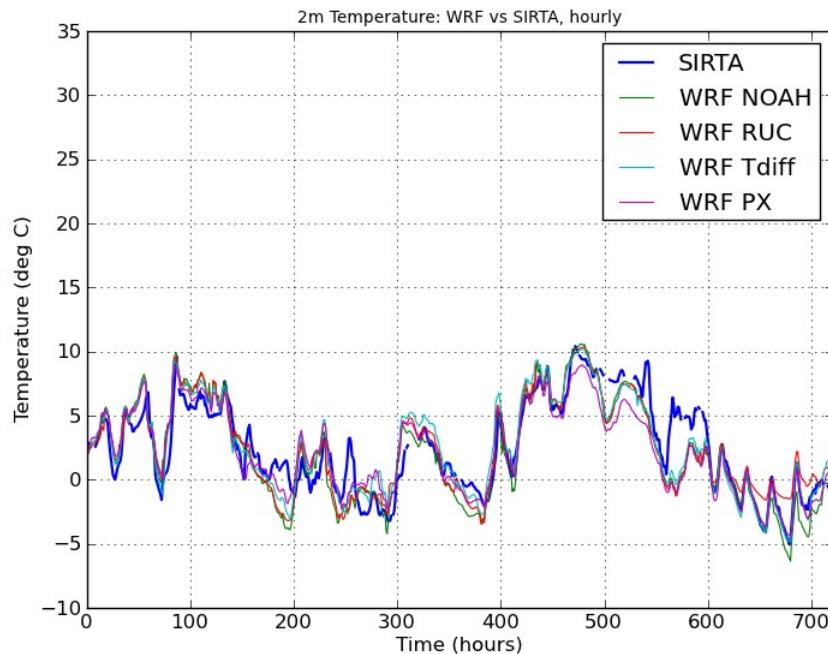
- Resuspension (Helbig et al, 2004)
- Viability (Schueler & Schlunzen, 2006)
- *Double heat-sum model emissions* (Sofiev et al, 2012)



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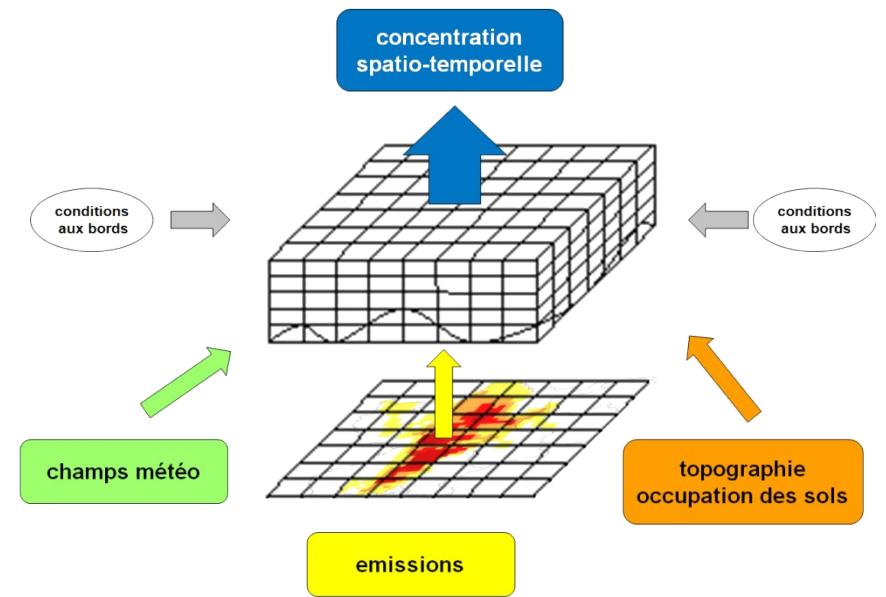
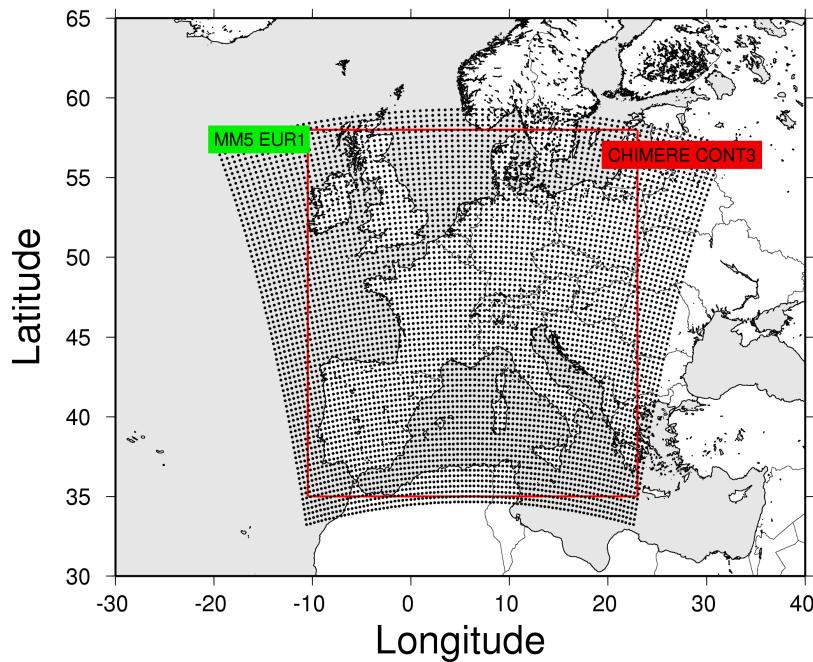
COSY Project: Model/Mesurement Comparison



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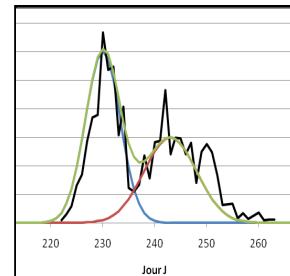
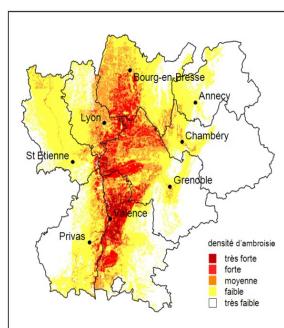
CHIMERE: Offline Atmospheric Dispersion Model

$$\frac{\partial c_i}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \nabla c_i = \nabla(K \nabla c_i) + P - L$$



Pollen modeling with CHIMERE

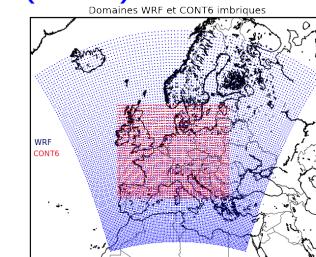
Plants inventory



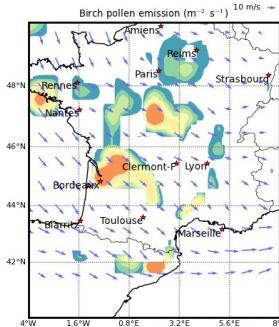
Emission Model :
Phenology
+
Liberation



Meteorology model
(WRF)



Pollen emission flux



Transport

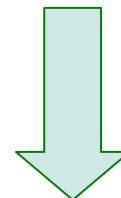
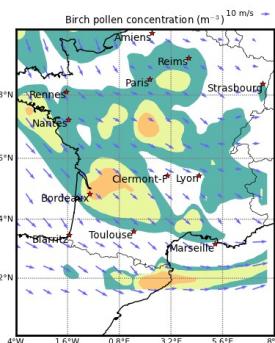
Deposition

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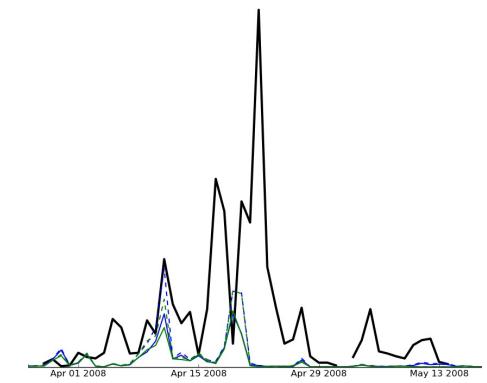
Viability/allergenicity

Resuspension

Pollen Concentrations



- Post-processing, analysis
- Comparaison with observations

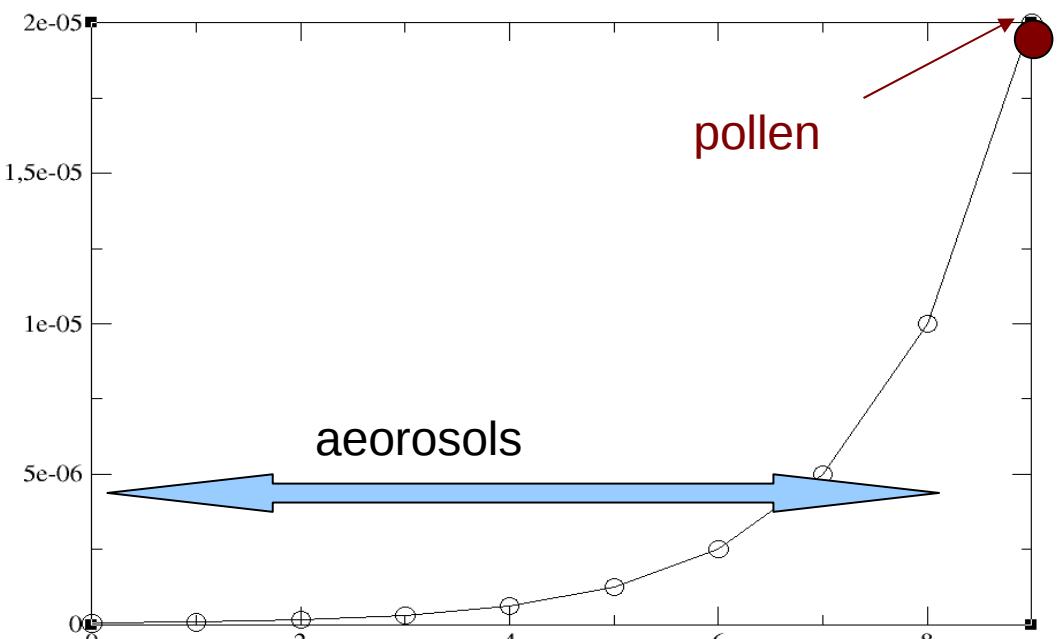


Pollen Aerosol in CHIMERE

- Biogenic aerosol (density/diameter changes due to moisture, viability, allergenicity)
- Pollen ~ large-size aerosol with a single bin

- Birch and **ragweed** pollen:

diameter	20-22 μm
density	800-1050 kg/m ³
shape	spherical
emission height	a few tens cm to 15 m
settling velocity	1.2-1.3 cm s ⁻¹



Distribution en taille des aérosols
dans CHIMERE

Pollen grains follow the airflow

Key assumption in the dispersion models:

pollutant follows the airflow, including small turbulent eddies => its inertia is negligible (Sofiev, 2006)

$$m \frac{d\nu}{dt} = -F_{Stokes} = -3\pi d \eta u$$

$$\tau = \frac{d^2 \rho_{part}}{18\eta} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ sec}$$

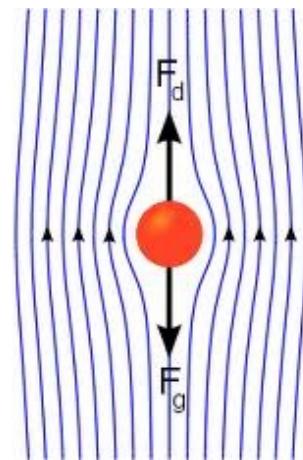
$$R_{grav} = 1/u \sim 85 \text{ s m}^{-1}$$

$$R_A \sim 1-100 \text{ s cm}^{-1},$$

$$R_B = \frac{2}{\kappa u_*} \left(\frac{Sc}{Pr} \right)^{2/3} \sim 3.5 \cdot 10^5 \text{ s m}^{-1}$$

Stokes Law for spherical particles:

$$u = \frac{g \rho_{part} d^2}{18\eta} \quad u \sim 1.2 \text{ cm/s}$$



Half-lifetime of ~1 day due to dry deposition

=> Half of the emitted mass will be transported over a distance >10³ km

Turbulent vertical mixing opposes the downward motion => part of the grains can stay in the atmosphere considerably longer

Pollen emissions 1: A double-threshold T sum model for birch

(Linkosalo et al, 2011) => Sofiev et al (2012)

$$S(t) = \int_{t_0}^t r(i) di \cong \sum_{i=t_0}^t (r(i) \cdot \Delta t),$$

r – rate of ontogenetic development
 S – stage of development or T sum

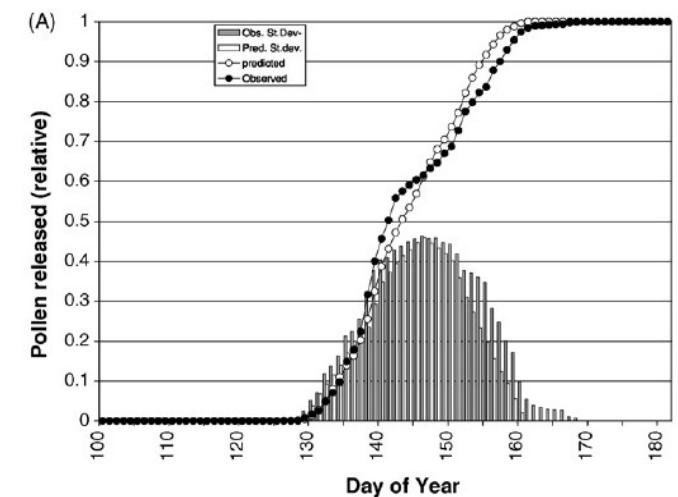
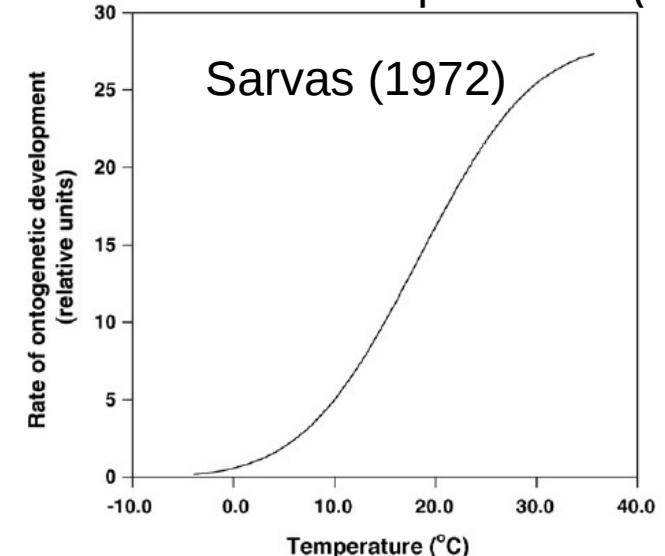
$$R(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & S(t) < S_1 \\ \frac{S(t) - S_1}{S_2 - S_1}, & S_1 \leq S(t) \leq S_2 \\ 1, & S(t) > S_2 \end{cases}$$

S_1, S_2, t_0 :

fitted with measured concentration or phenological data:

$$\text{RMSE} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_1^N (O(i,j) - R(i,j))^2}$$

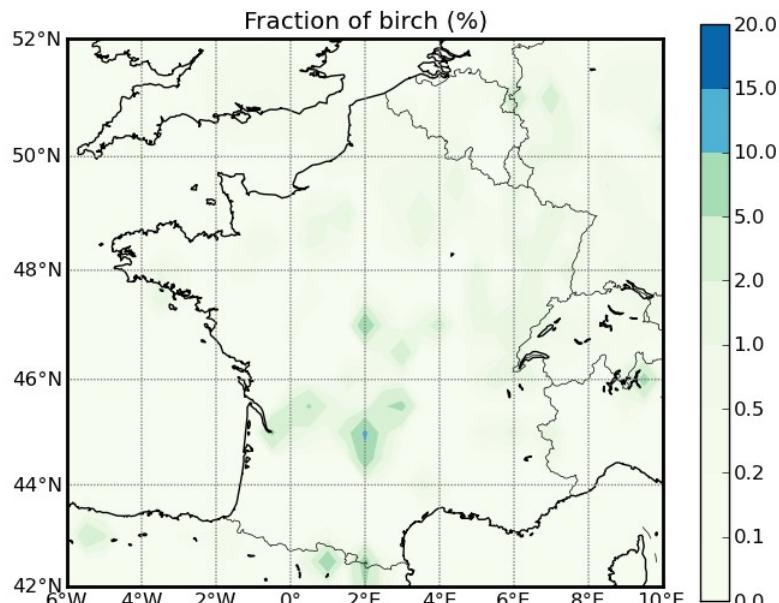
Phenological measurements:
 r – rate of bud development = $f(T)$



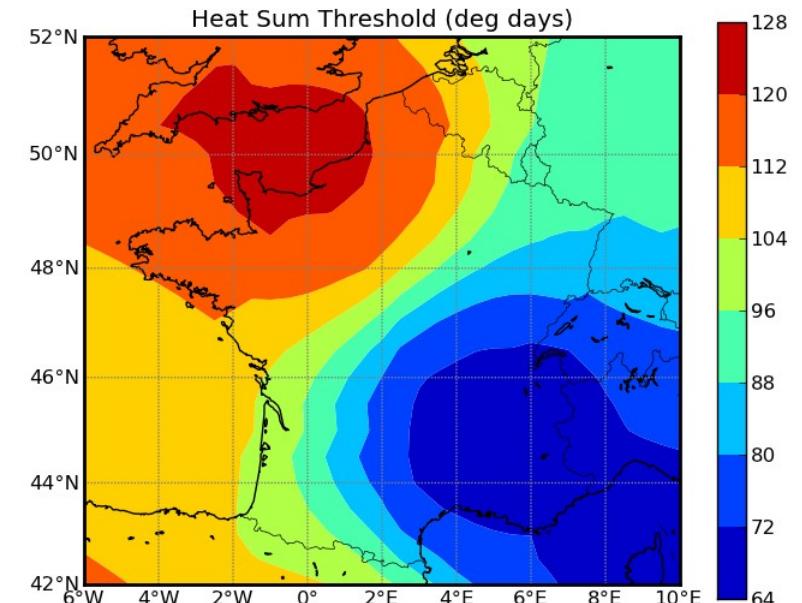
Emission model requires...

Birch map:
- Forest inventories
- Satellite images

France :
0 to 11% birch forest
Mean : 0,9%

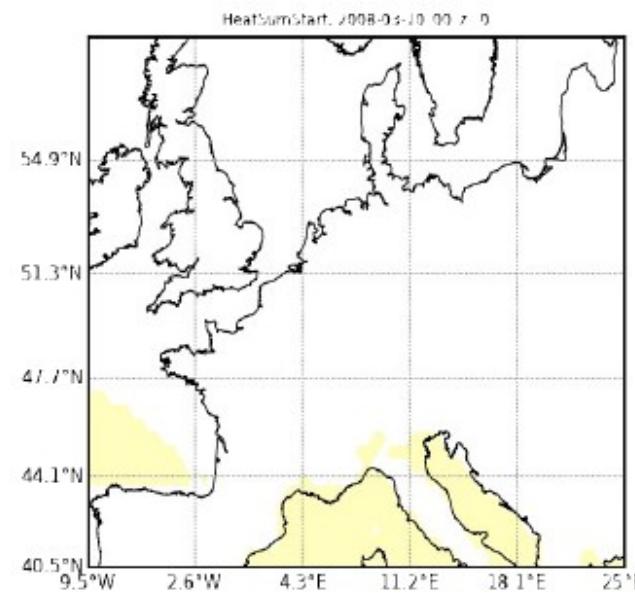


Phenology:
cumulated heat ($T > T_{thresh} = 3.5^{\circ}\text{C}$) from March 1
until H_{thresh} is reached

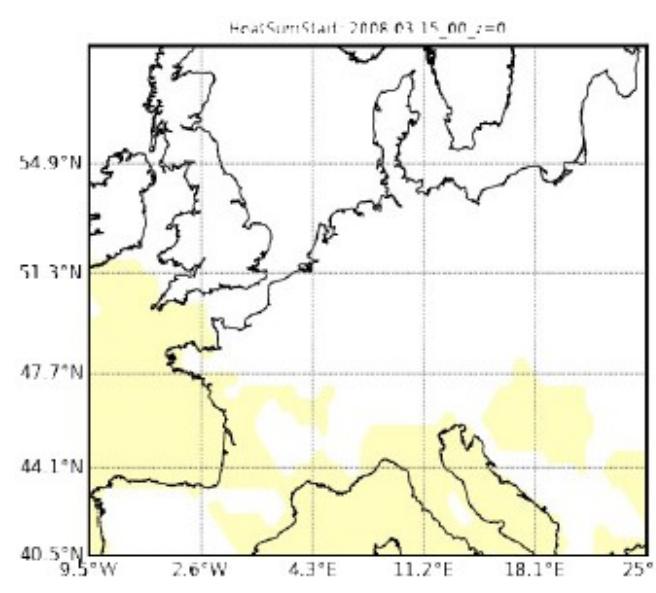


Pollination season start: heat sum threshold reached

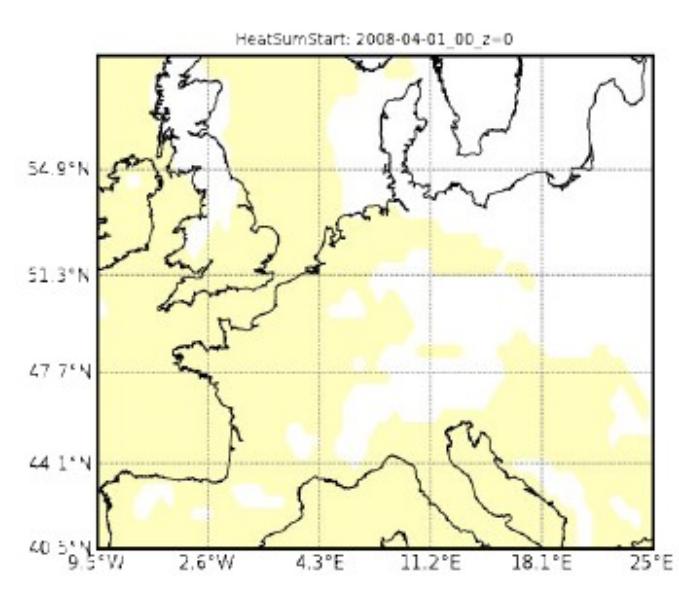
March 10



March 15



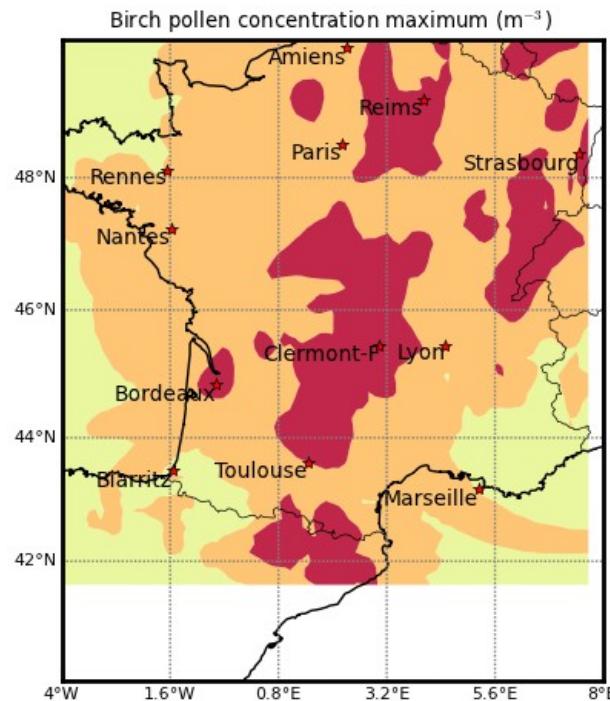
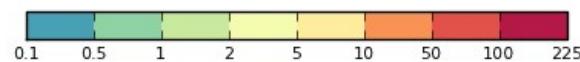
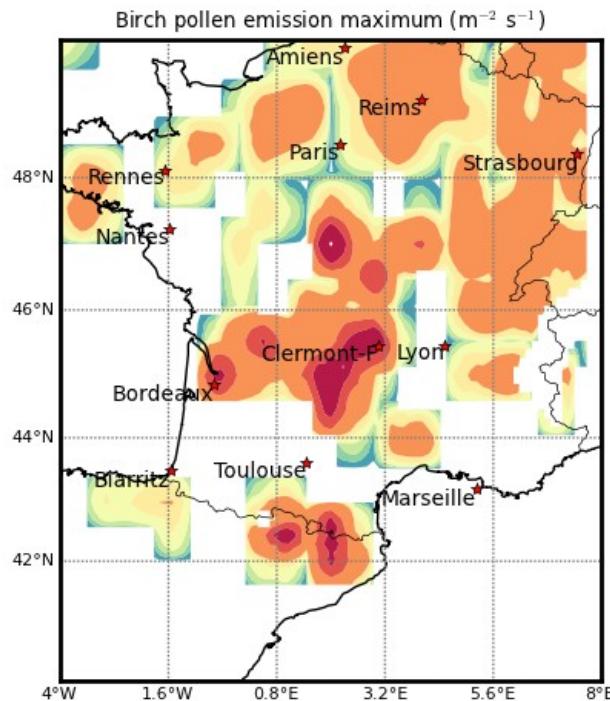
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Pollination pattern propagates from south-west to north-east

Birch pollen animation here...

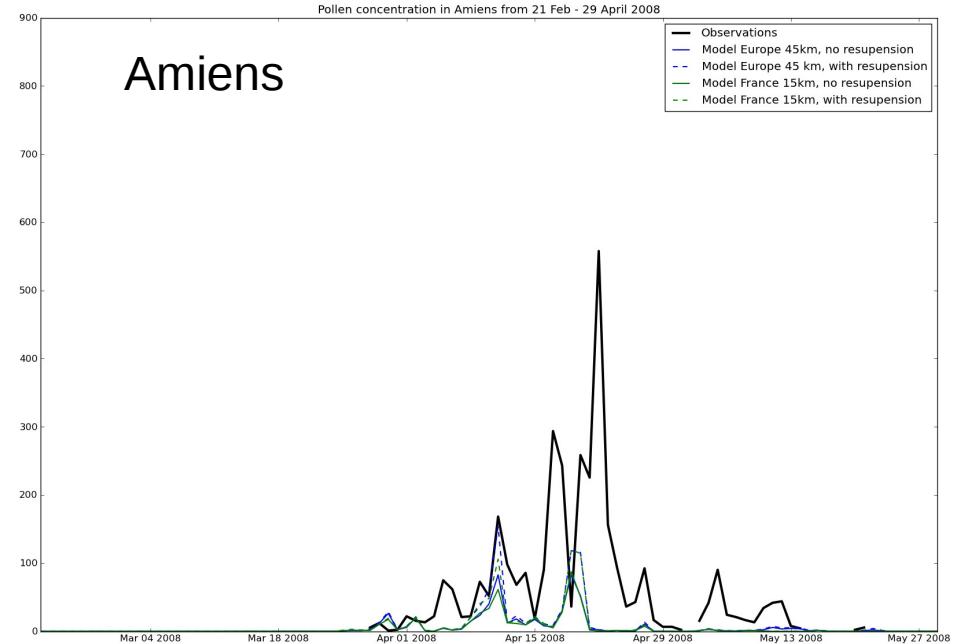
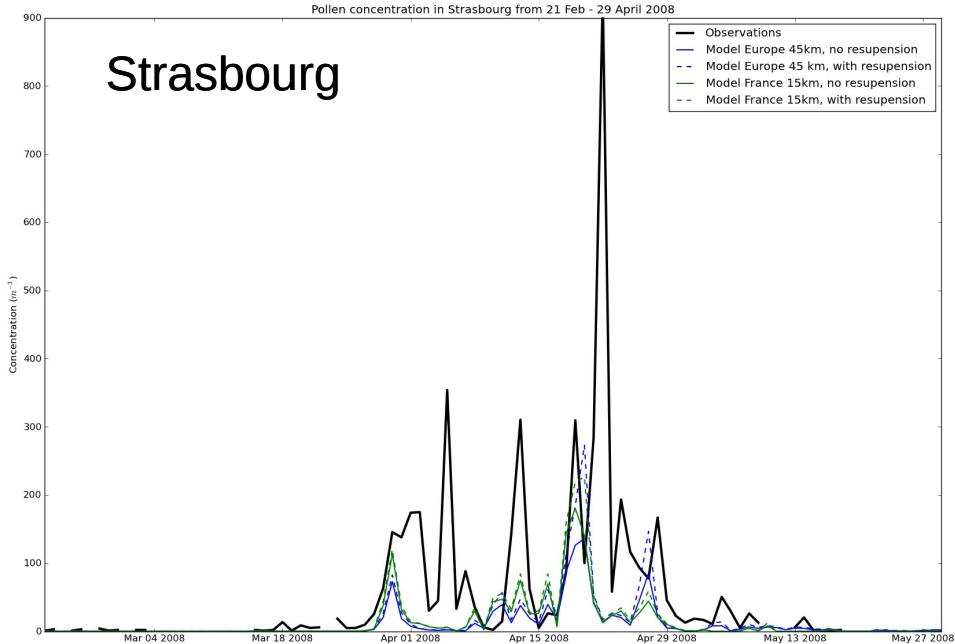
Birch pollen emission and concentration maximum 2008 flowering season



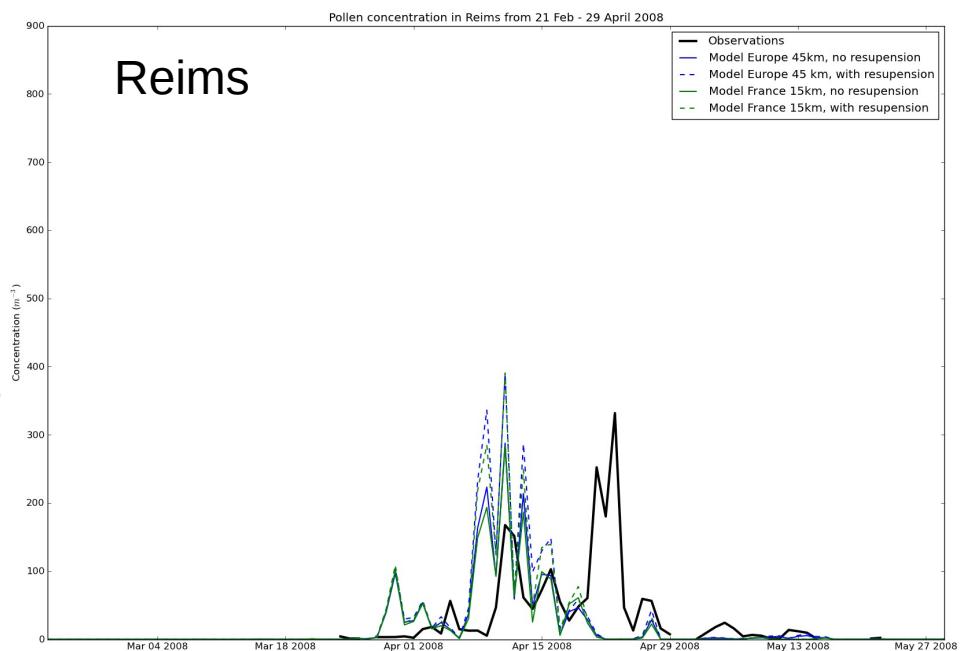
Simulated emission maximum:
April 30, to the west of Bourges
(47.01N, 1.99E)

Max concentrations reach 12600 grains m^{-3} :
May 3 morning, south-west of Clermont-Ferand
(45.53N, 2.67E), i.e., 3 days after the emission max
and at about 175 km to the south-south-east

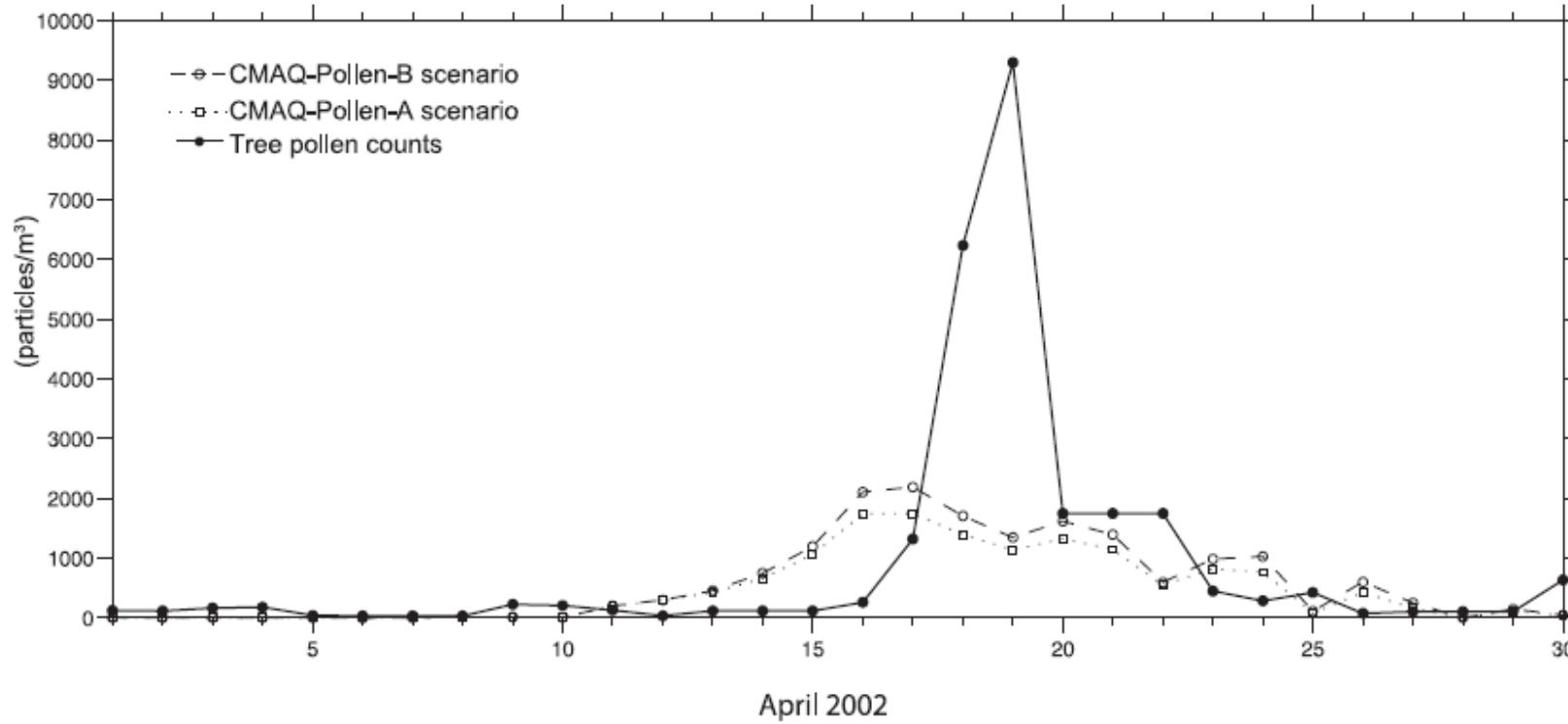
Birch pollen concentrations : Obs vs Model



- General underestimation of C
- Resuspension can double C peaks
- Resolution and long-range transport contributions are of comparable magnitude



State of the art : CMAQ-Pollen (Efstathiou et al, 2011)



Underestimation of pollen concentrations by the model

Some conclusions...

Although flowering season propagation follows southwest → northeast gradient, actual pollen emissions and concentrations show rather sporadic pattern

Simulated daily pollen concentrations vs observations are comparable to similar modeling studies (SILAM, MOCAGE, CMAQ). However a systematic statistical analysis of scores is needed

Long-range pollen transport, model resolution, and resuspension flux seem to be of comparable importance for the simulated peak concentrations

Further/current work

- Improve emissions ?
 - Comparison with CORINE/IFN-based birch forest map
 - Comparison with phenological model Chuine et al (2000)
- Evaluate the role of meteorological forcing
 - Sensitivity to meteorological forcing
- Inter-model comparison with the same meteorology and emission module (MACC 2 project)
- Ambrosia pollen modeling and climate change scenarios (ATOPICA project)

