

# Alternative Methods of Air Quality Measurements

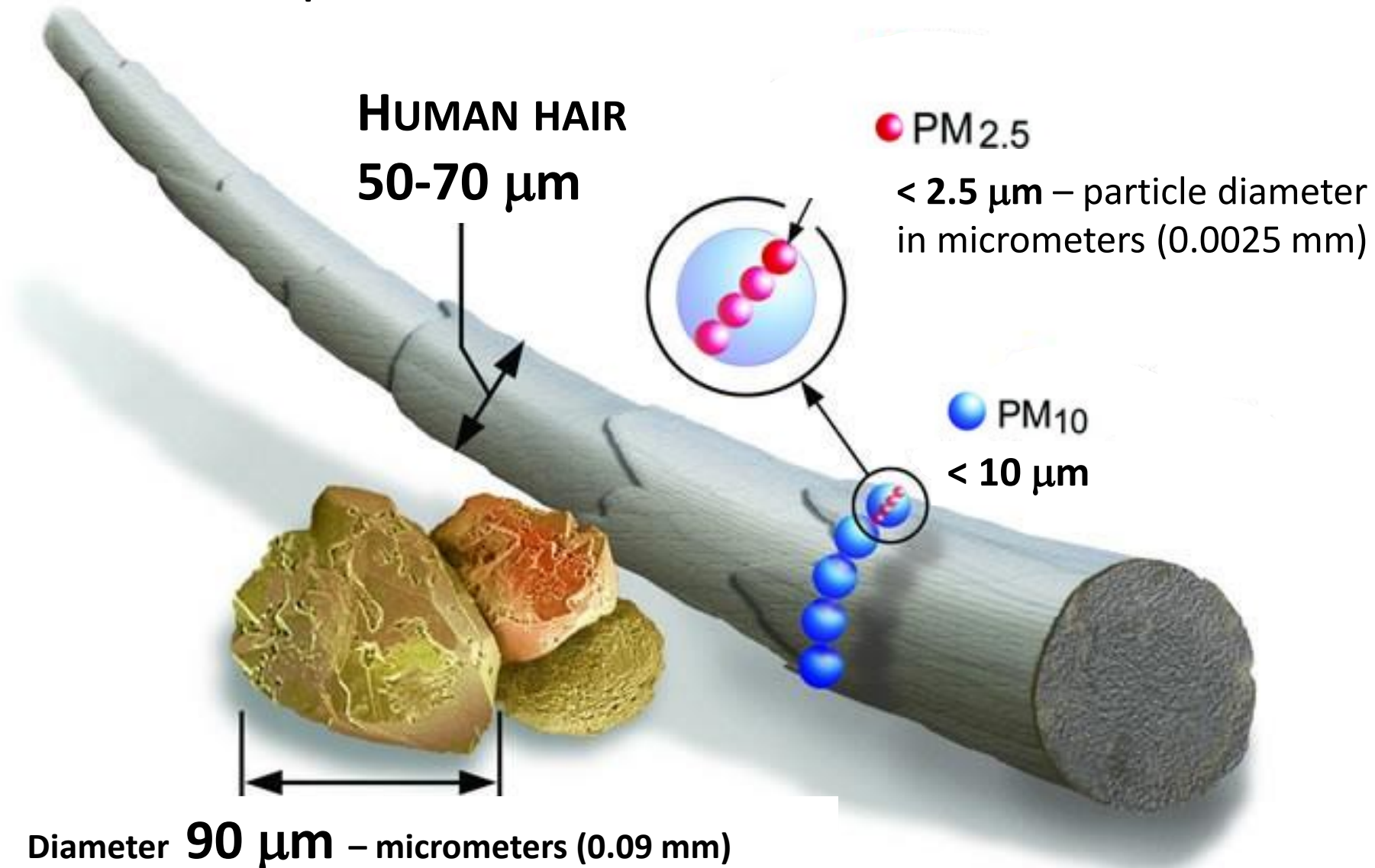
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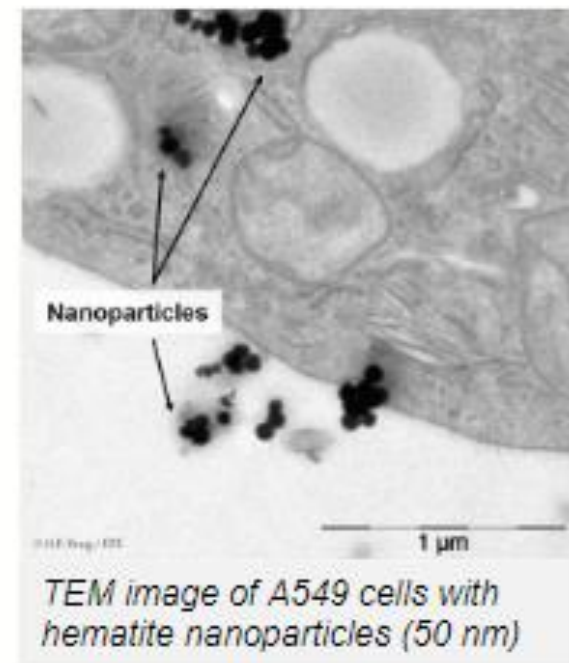
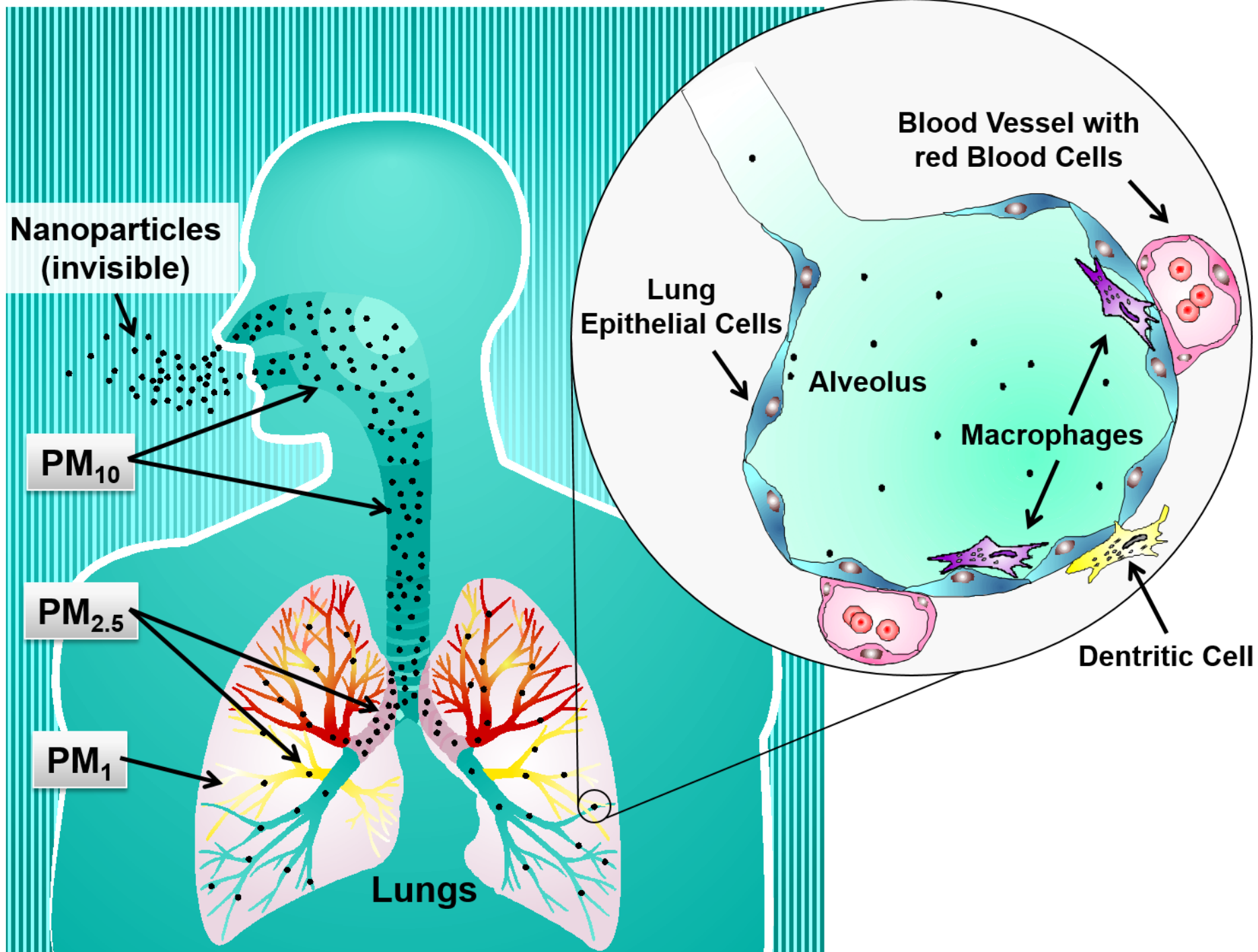
# Atmospheric Aerosol – Particle Sizes



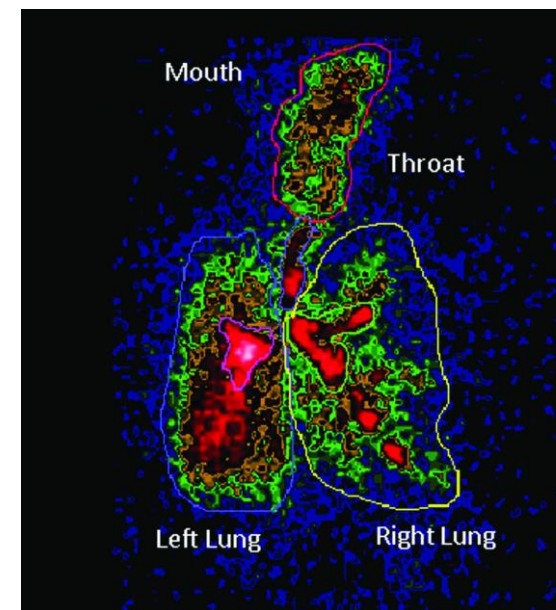
**FINE SEA DUST**

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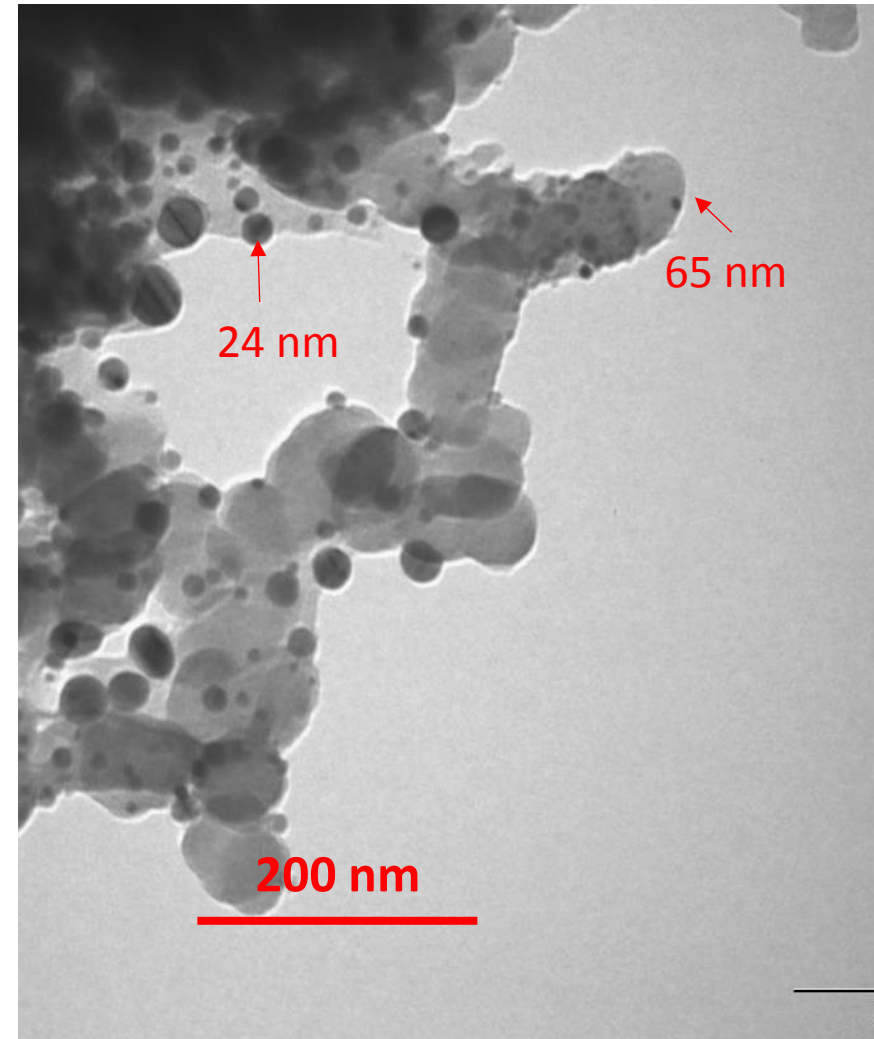
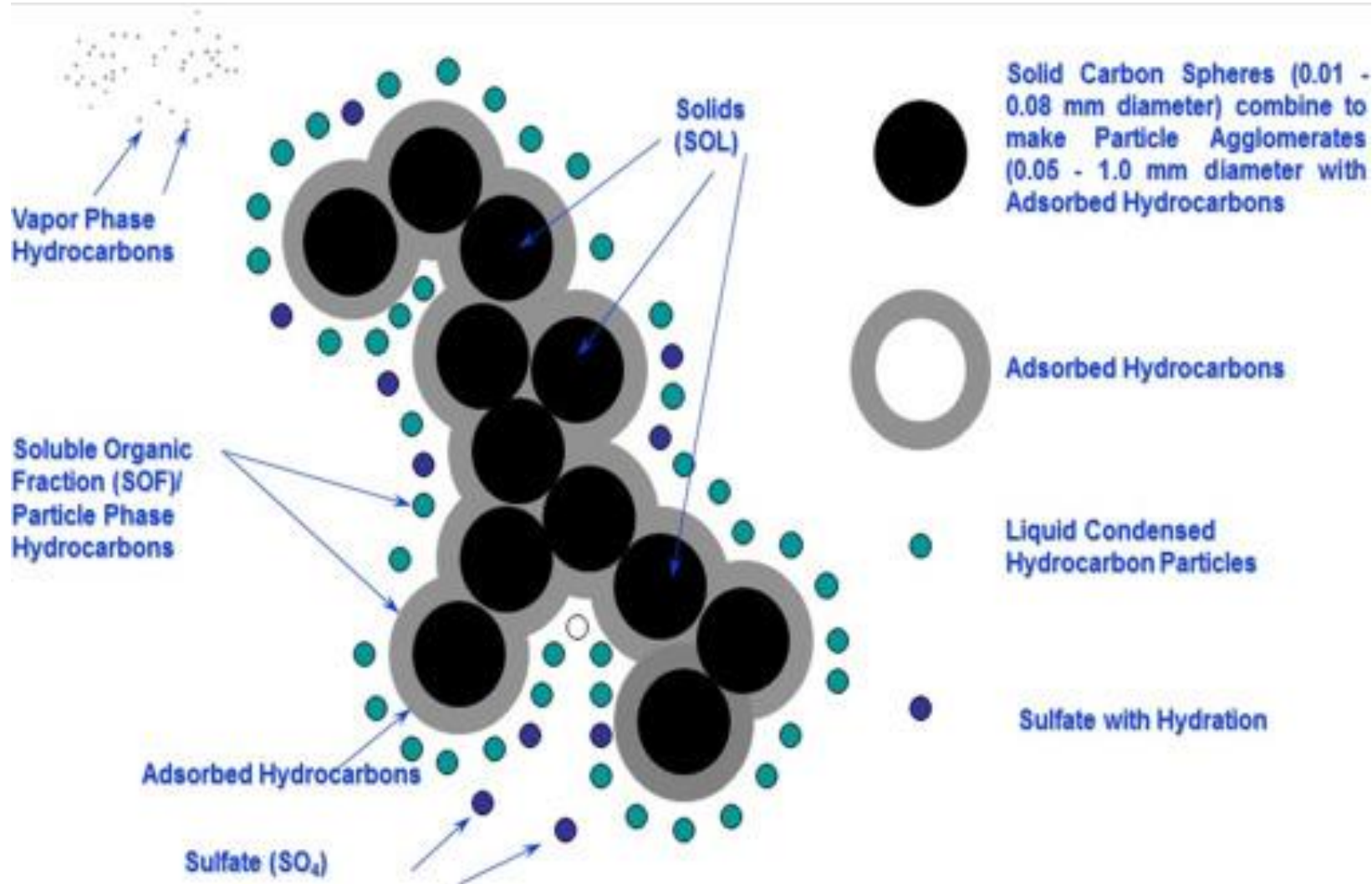




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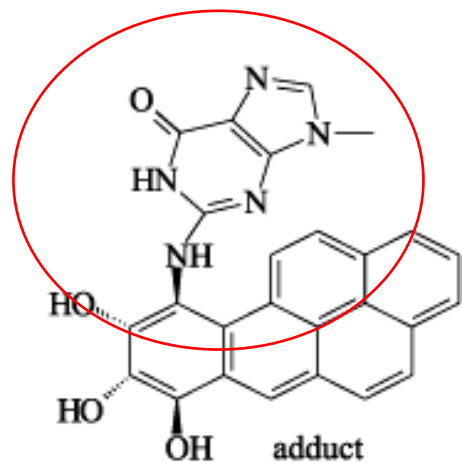
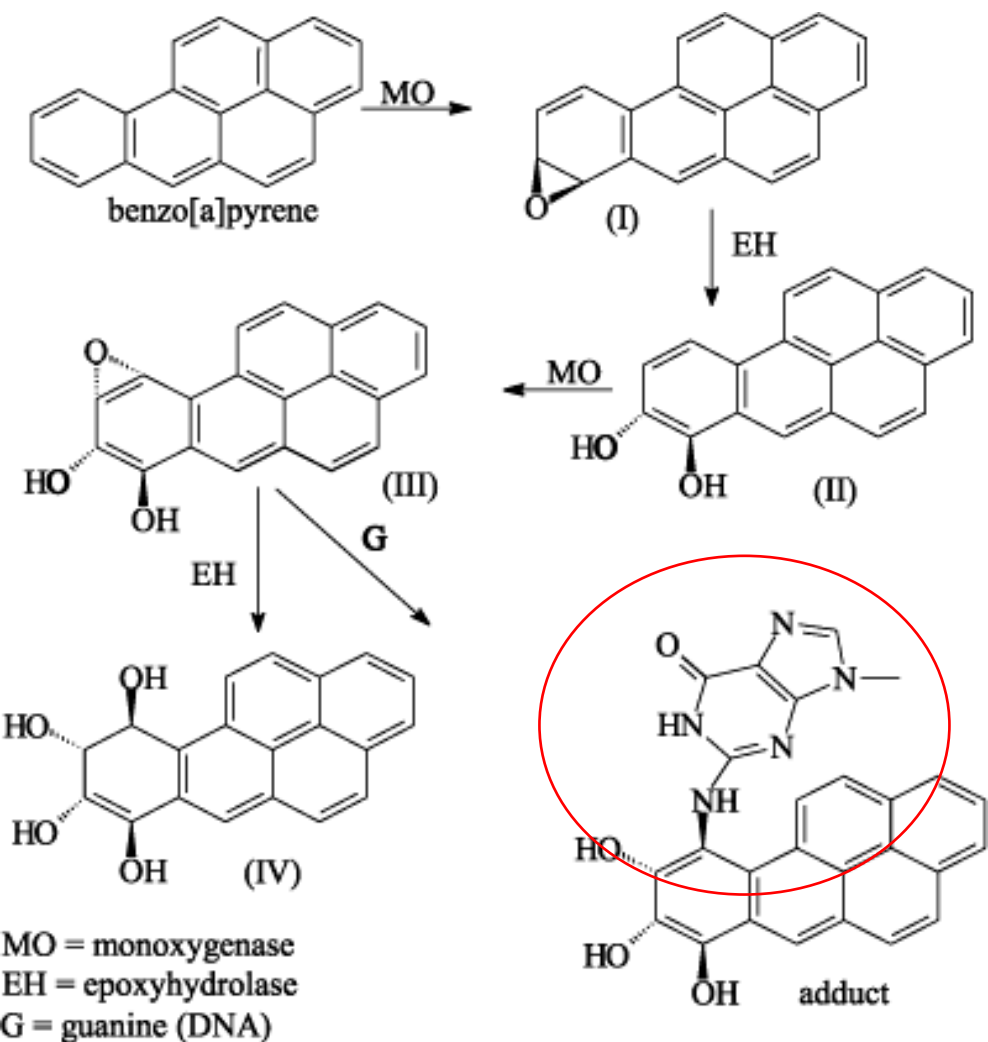


# Why can be Aerosol Particles so Dangerous?





# Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons



**Figure 1.** *In vivo* oxidative metabolic pathway of benzo[a]pyrene via hydrophilic intermediates (I-IV) and formation of DNA adducts with guanine base.

# PAHs Analysis: GC-TOF MS



2.5 - 10  $\mu\text{m}$

1 - 2.5  $\mu\text{m}$

0,5 - 1  $\mu\text{m}$

0,25 - 0,5  $\mu\text{m}$

< 0,25  $\mu\text{m}$

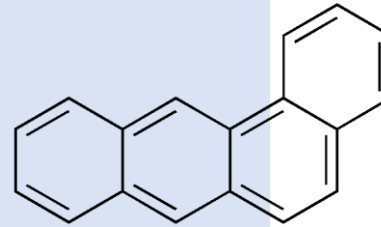


**Pump**  
**9 l.min<sup>-1</sup>**  
**1h**

## Carcinogenic PAHs (c-PAHs):

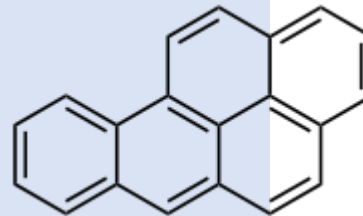
**B[a]A**

Benzo[a]anthracene



**CHRY**

Chrysene



**B[b]F**

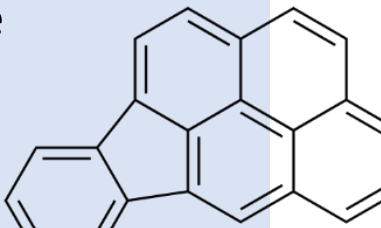
Benzo[b]fluorantane

**B[k]F**

Benzo[k]fluorantane

**B[a]P**

**Benzo[a]pyren**



**Db[a.h]A**

Dibenzo[a.h]anthracene

**B[g.h.i]P**

Benzo[g.h.i]perylene

**I[1.2.3-cd]P**

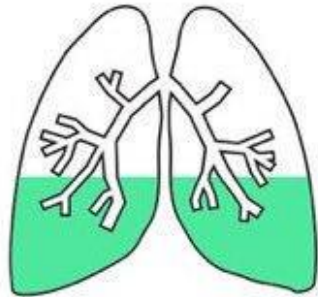
Ideno(1.2.3-cd)pyrene



# What causes the most deaths?

## THE INVISIBLE KILLER

Air pollution may not always be visible, but it can be deadly.



**35%**  
OF DEATHS FROM  
**COPD**  
(PULMONARY DISEASE)

**BREATHELIFE.**  
Clean Air. Healthy Future.



	2016 ranking	% change 2005-2016
1	Ischemic heart disease	39.8%
2	COPD	24.2%
3	Cerebrovascular disease	20.4%
4	Lower respiratory infect	-33.6%
5	Diarrheal diseases	-41.9%
6	Diabetes	58.8%
7	Neonatal encephalopathy	-26.5%
8	Road injuries	6.7%
9	Chronic kidney disease	36.9%
10	Tuberculosis	-29.9%
11	Asthma	-0.3%
12	Other neonatal	-31.6%

Top 10 causes of death in 2016 and percent change, 2005-2016, all ages, number

## WHO:

- Globally **3 milion deaths** every year (ambient air pollution)
- Globally **4.3 milion deaths** every year (indoor air pollution - cooking)
- **92%** of World population lives at places where air quality limits are exceeded

## EEA:

- In Europe **>400 000** premature deaths

## IARC:

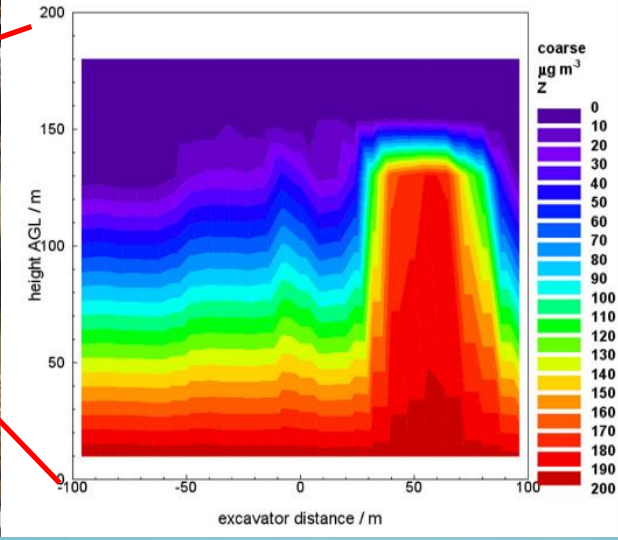
- Air pollution classified as carcinogenic











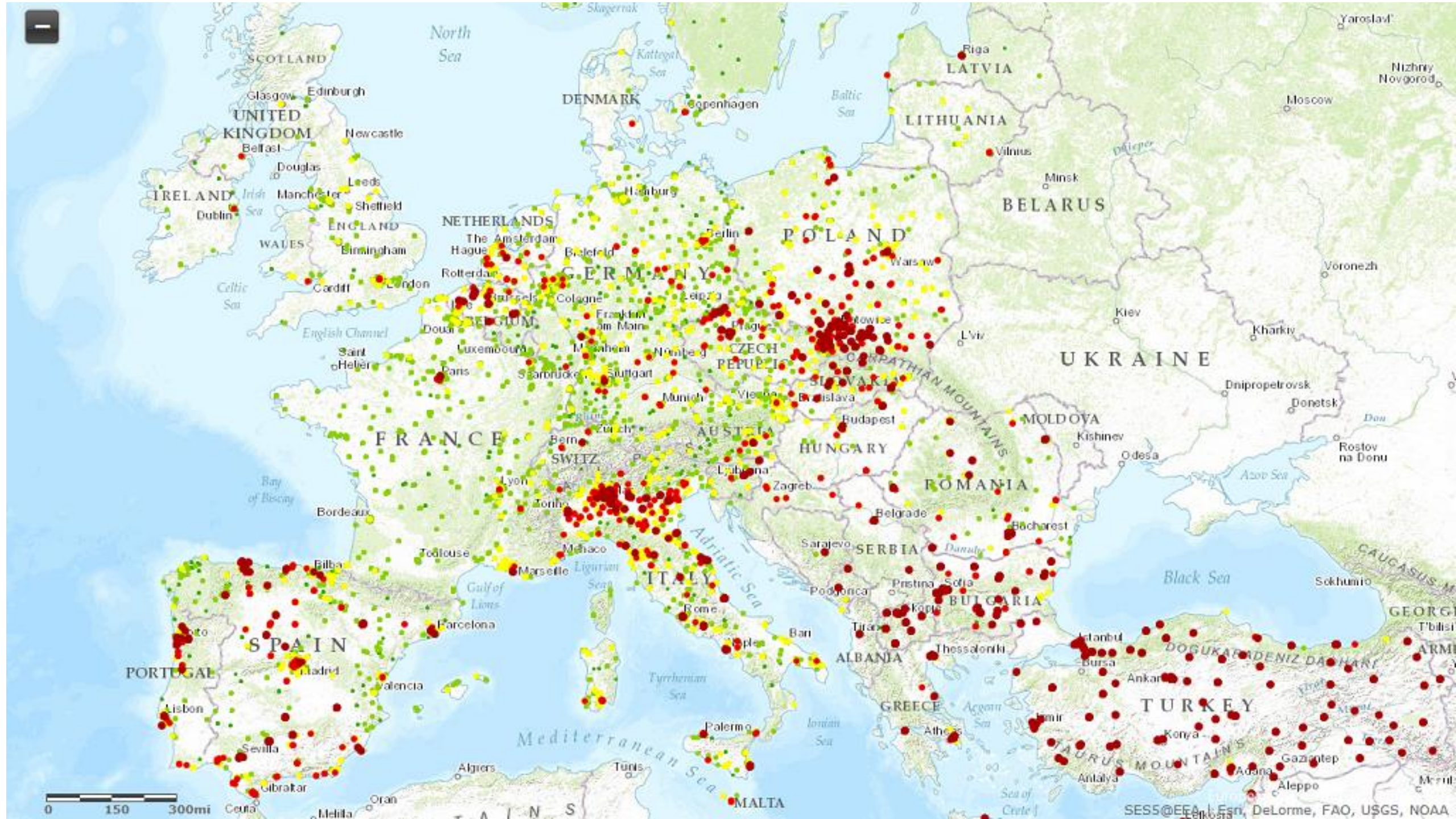


# Classical Approach of Air Quality Measurements

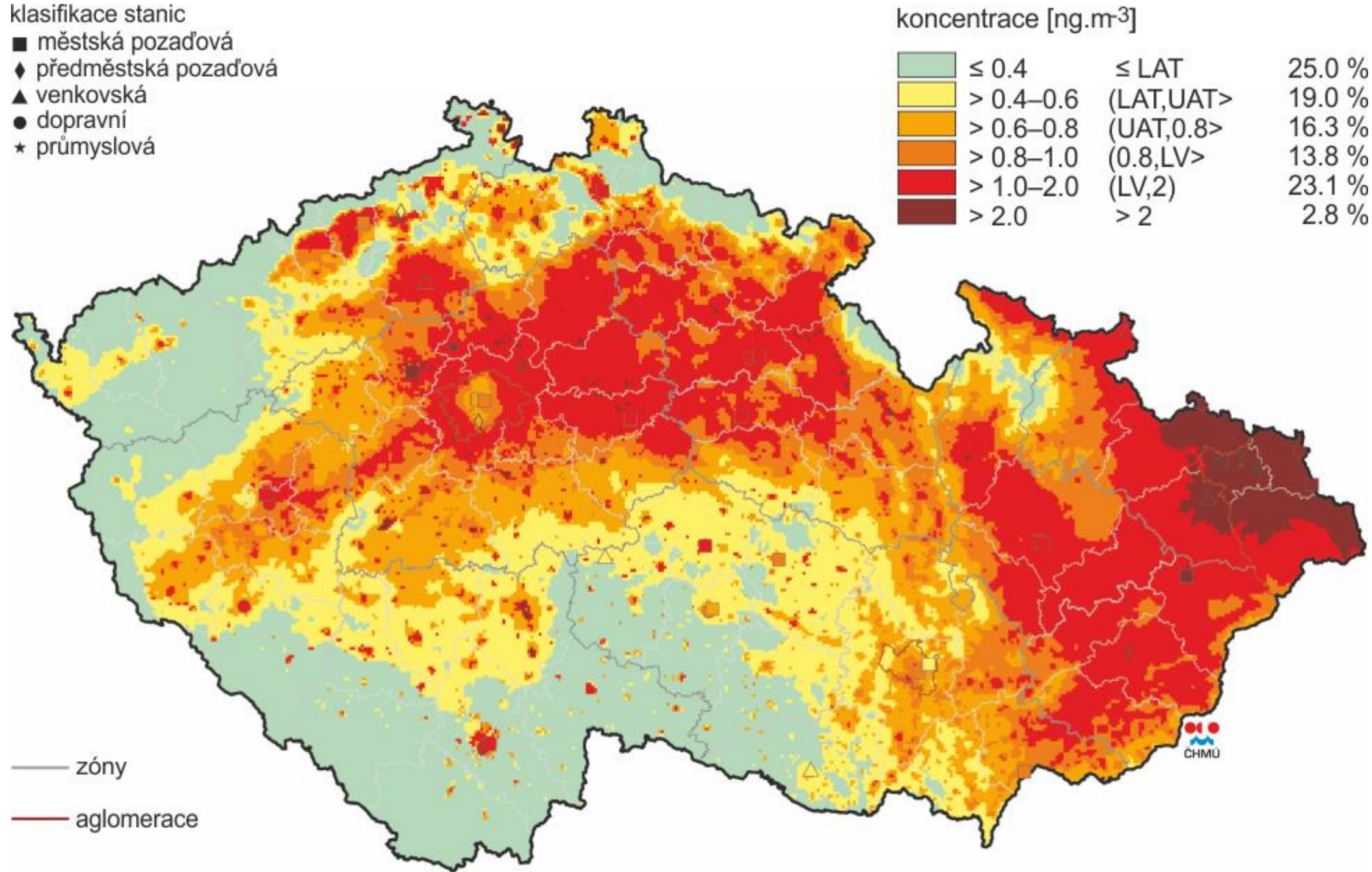
- Network of air quality measuring stations (operated mostly by state agencies)
- Expensive instruments and service
- High precision and accuracy, reliability
- Comparability within Europe
- Long-term data (trends)
  
- Limited amount of stations
- inaccuracies in spatial modeling and predictions











Obr. IV.2.1 Pole roční průměrné koncentrace benzo[a]pyrenu, 2016



# The Concept of Mobile Measurements

- The lack of information about **micro-scale PM concentrations** by stationary measurements
- **Temporal / Spatial variability** evaluation
- **Hot-spots** identification
- **Real PM exposure**





# 1. Prague Campaign

PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>,  
PM<sub>1</sub>, PNC

Denuder,  
PAHs (gas)

SIOUTAS,  
PAHs (PM)

Camera

Black  
Carbon







7. 6. 2018 (10:35-14:10), 6,9 km

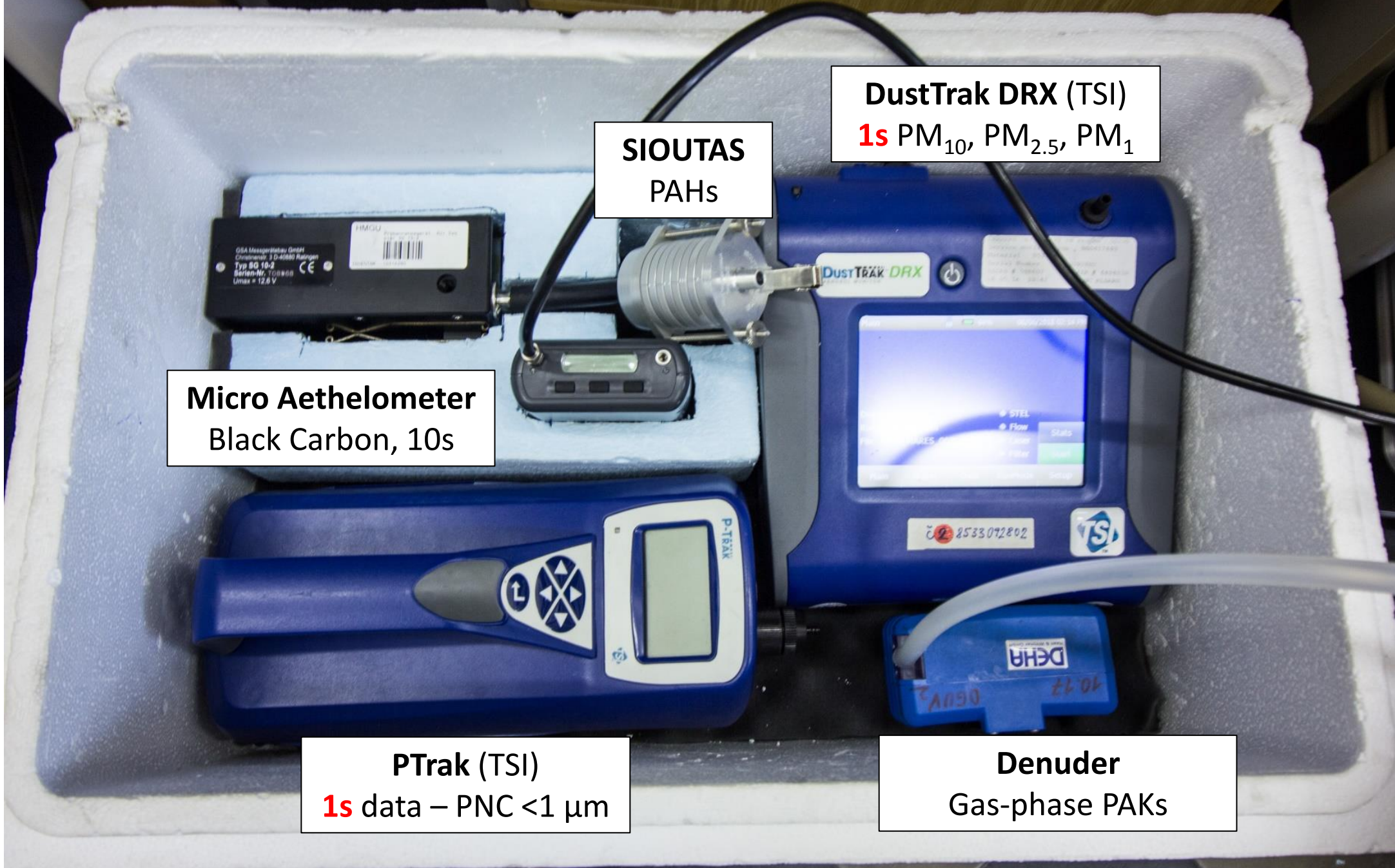
**PNC** (pt/cm<sup>3</sup>)

- 0 - 10000
- 10 000 - 15 000
- 15 000 - 25 000
- 25 000 - 250 000









**DustTrak DRX (TSI)**  
**1s** PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>1</sub>

**SIOUTAS**  
PAHs

**Micro Aethelometer**  
Black Carbon, 10s

**P-Trak (TSI)**  
**1s** data – PNC <math>< 1 \mu\text{m}</math>

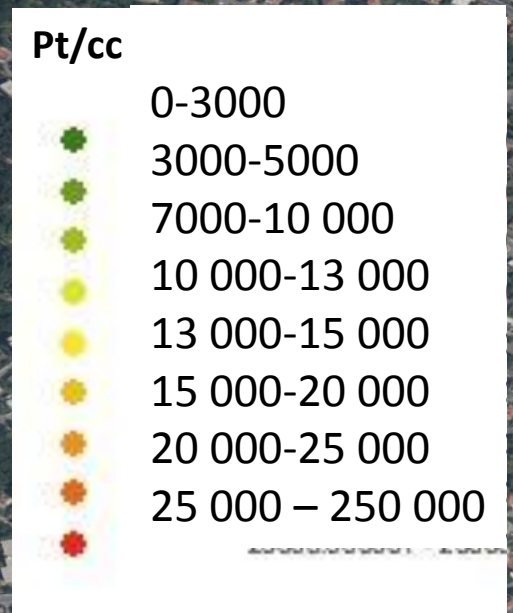
**Denuder**  
Gas-phase PAHs







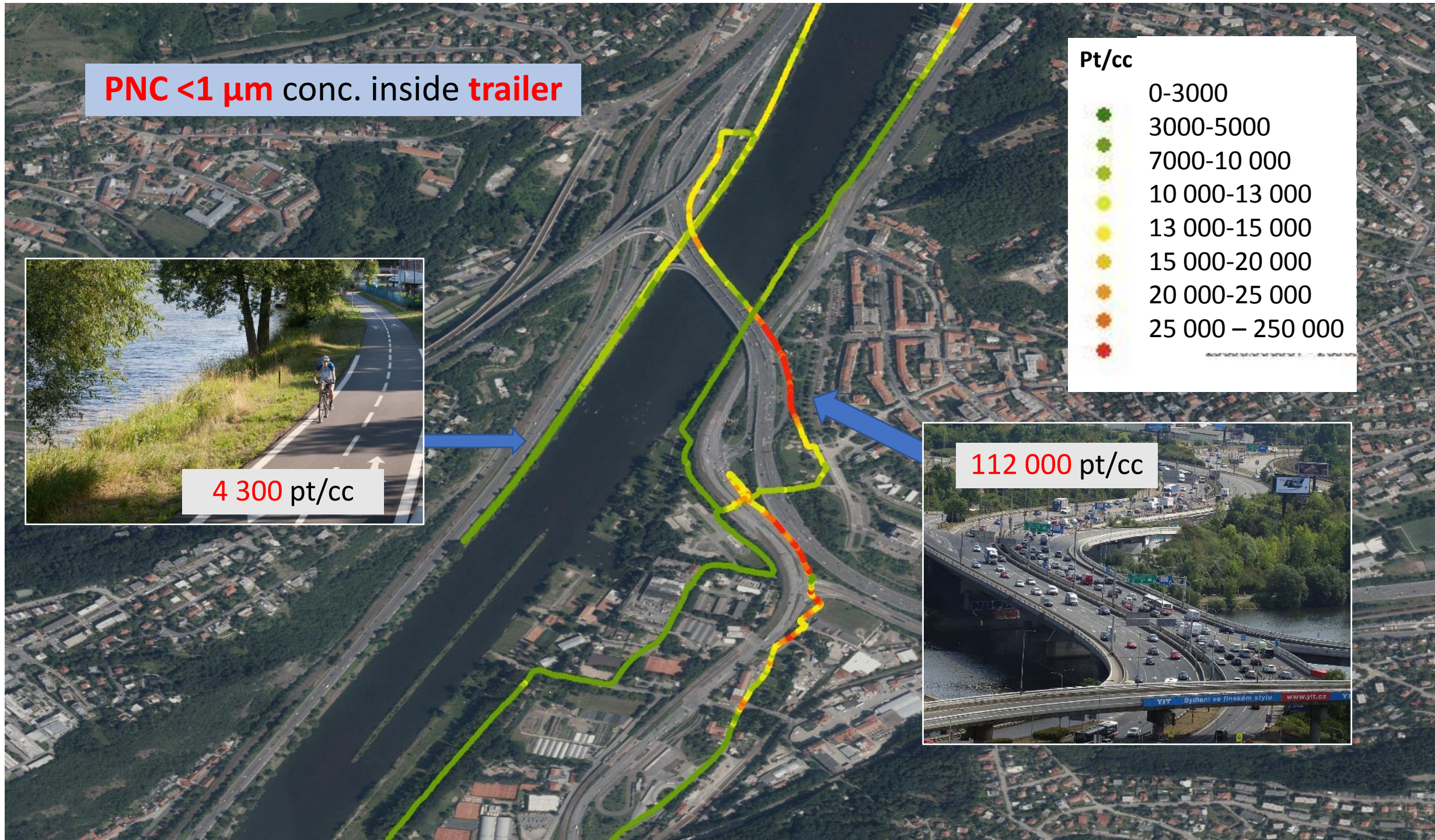
**PNC <1 μm conc. inside trailer**



**4 300 pt/cc**

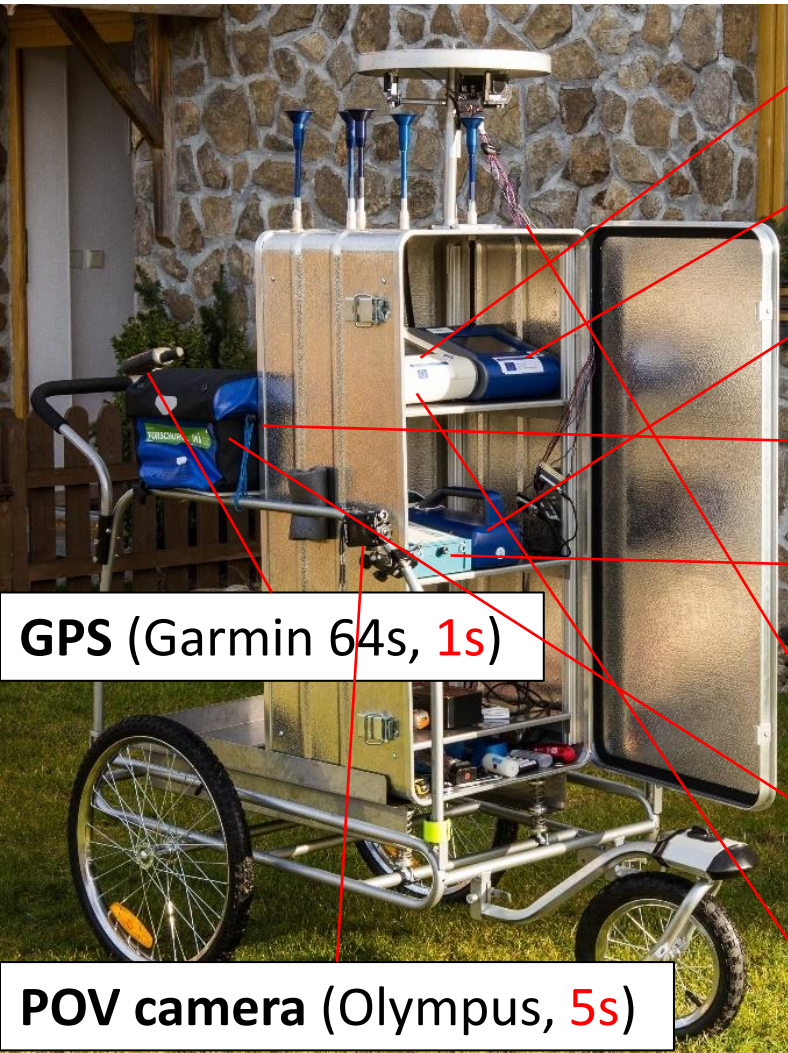


**112 000 pt/cc**





# 2. Augsburg Campaign - Experimental Set-up



**Aerosol Size Distribution** (OPS, TSI, 1s / 11E, GRIMM, 6s)

**PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>1</sub>** (DustTrak DRX, 1s)

**Particle Number Concentration** (PTrak, TSI, 1s)

**Black Carbon & Brown Carbon** (MA 200, AethLabs, 10s)

**Reference PM<sub>2.5</sub>** (DustTrak, 1s)

**Low-cost PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>** (SDS011, 1s)

**Low-cost OPS** (OPS-N2, AlphaSense, 1s)

**PM<sub>2.5</sub> Sampling & Analysis**  
(SIOUTAS, 3:30 h; IDTD-TOF-GC-MS)

**GPS** (Garmin 64s, 1s)

**POV camera** (Olympus, 5s)

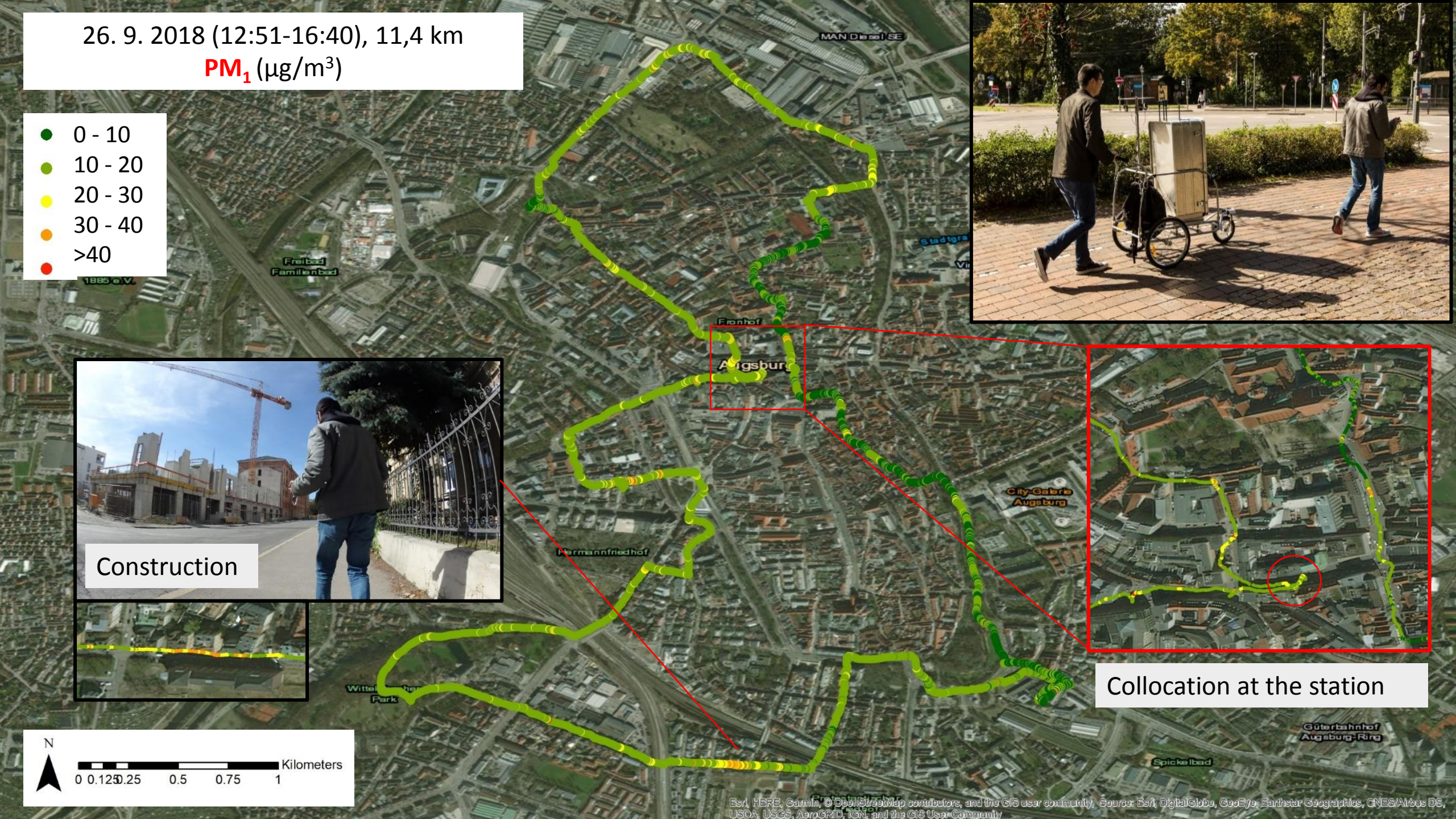
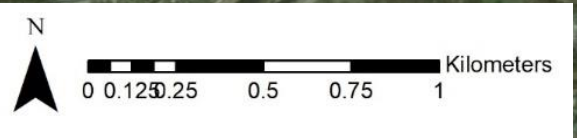




26. 9. 2018 (12:51-16:40), 11,4 km

**PM<sub>1</sub>** (μg/m<sup>3</sup>)

- 0 - 10
- 10 - 20
- 20 - 30
- 30 - 40
- >40



Collocation at the station



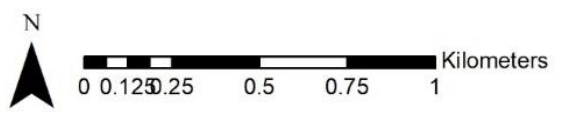
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**Particle Number Concentration** (pt/cm<sup>3</sup>)

- 1 - 5000
- 5000 - 10 000
- 10 000 - 15 000
- 15 000 - 25 000
- 25 000 - 400 000

Traffic and Industry



Smokers



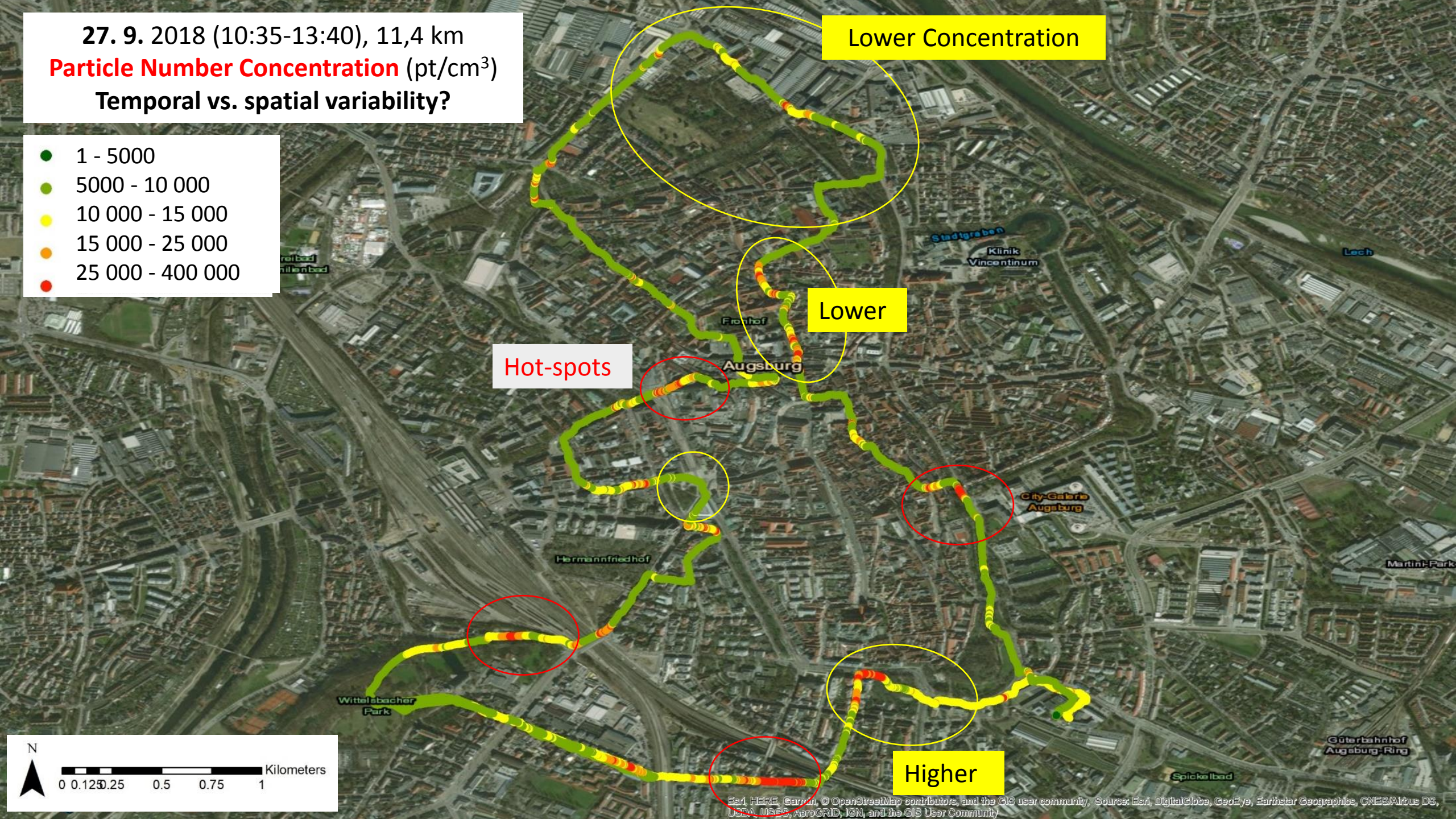


27. 9. 2018 (10:35-13:40), 11,4 km

**Particle Number Concentration** (pt/cm<sup>3</sup>)

Temporal vs. spatial variability?

- 1 - 5000
- 5000 - 10 000
- 10 000 - 15 000
- 15 000 - 25 000
- 25 000 - 400 000

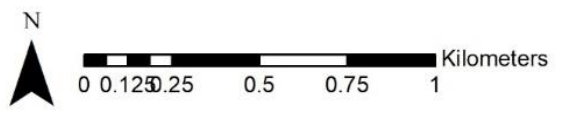


Lower Concentration

Lower

Hot-spots

Higher



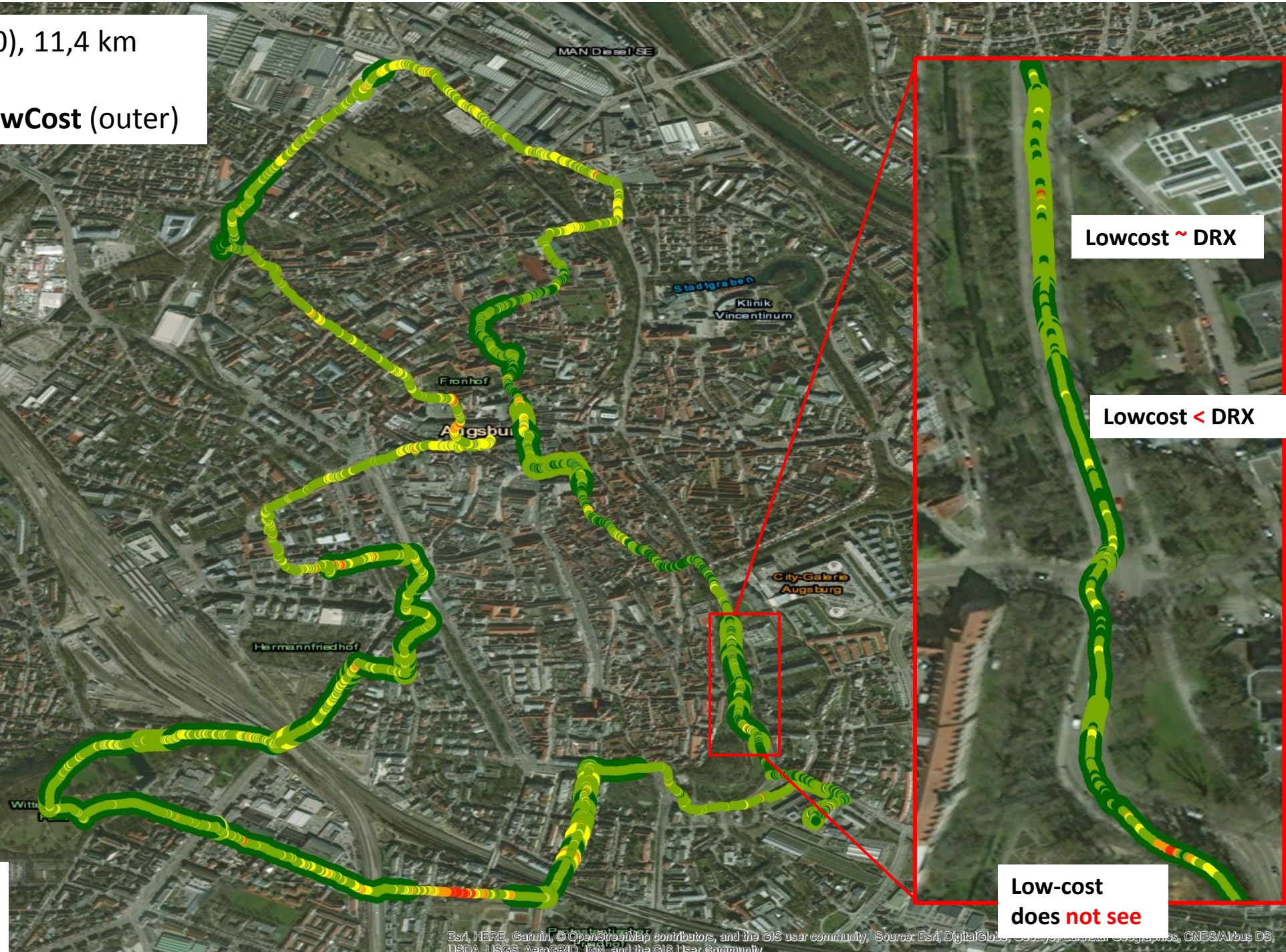


26. 9. 2018 (12:51-16:40), 11,4 km

**PM<sub>10</sub>** ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )

DustTrak **DRX** (inner) vs. **LowCost** (outer)

- 0 - 10
- 10 - 20
- 20 - 30
- 30 - 40
- >40



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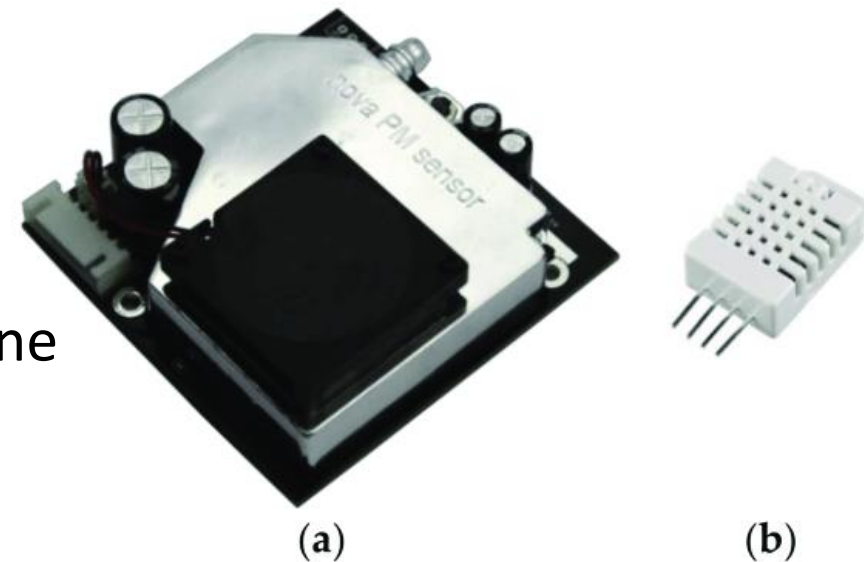


0 0.125 0.25 0.5 0.75 1 Kilometers

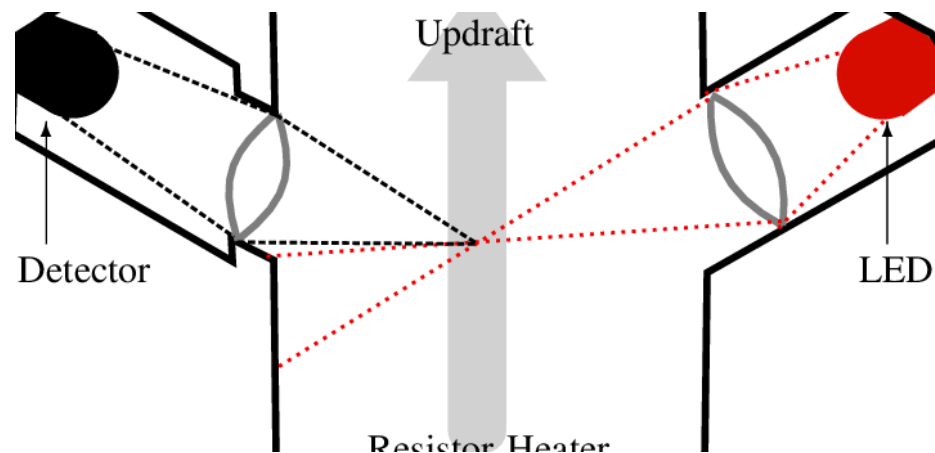


# Low-cost Instrument SDS-011

- **Cheap** - 100 USD (vs. 10 000 USD – professional instrument)
- **Larger network** – better more less precise instrument than one precise?
- **Citizen science** – people awareness
- Mobile applications, on-line maps and services

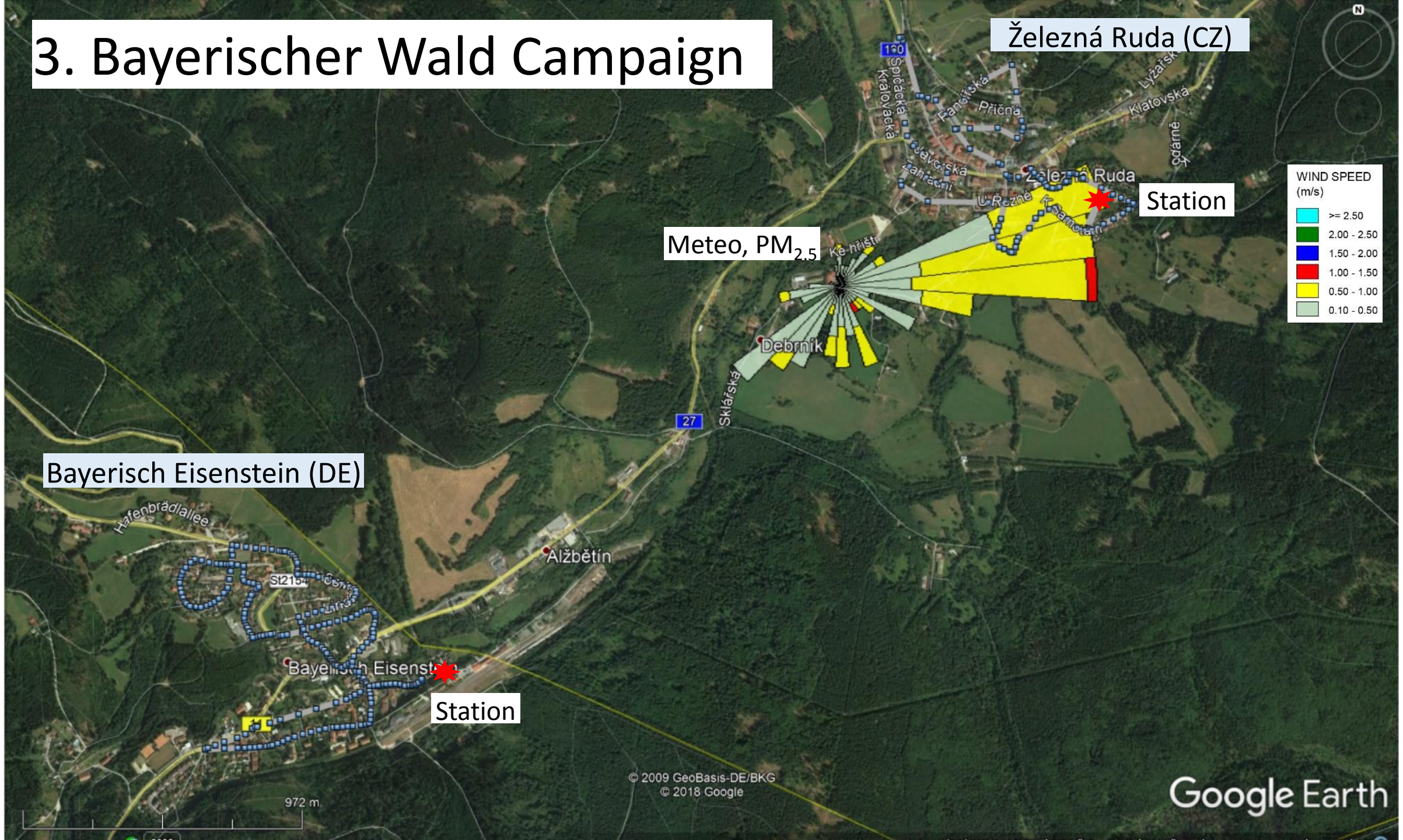


- **Lower precision**
- Need of intercomparisons
- Need of “standard operation plan”





# 3. Bayerischer Wald Campaign



Železná Ruda (CZ)

Station

Meteo, PM<sub>2.5</sub>

Bayerisch Eisenstein (DE)

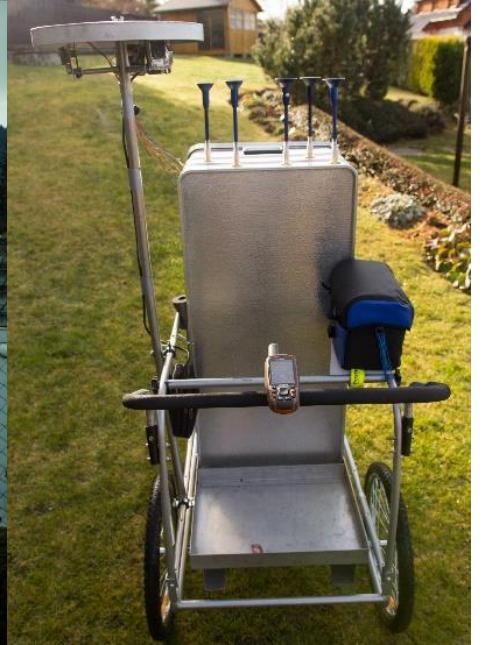
Station

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Google Earth

972 m









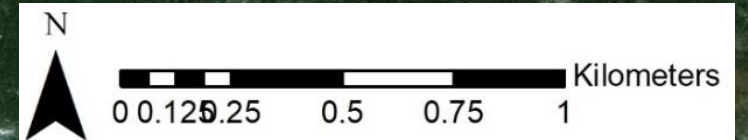
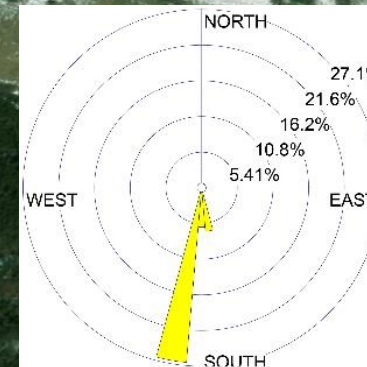


22. 11. 2018 (15:00 - 18:00)

**PM<sub>2.5</sub>** ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )

- 0-10
- 10-15
- 15-35
- 35-50
- 50-100
- 100-150
- 150-250
- 250-1000
- 1000-1500
- 1500-10000

Start

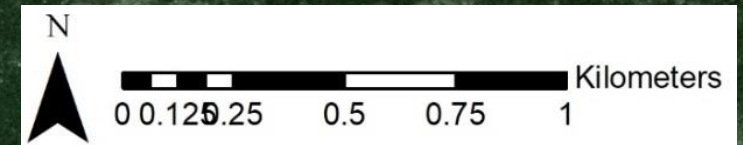
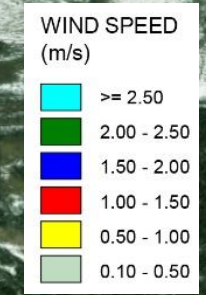
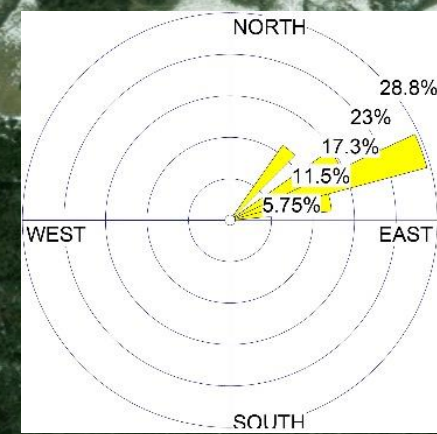




23. 11. 2018 (16:00 - 17:00)

**PM<sub>2.5</sub>** (μg/m<sup>3</sup>)

- 0-10
- 10-15
- 15-35
- 35-50
- 50-100
- 100-150
- 150-250
- 250-1000
- 1000-1500
- 1500-10000

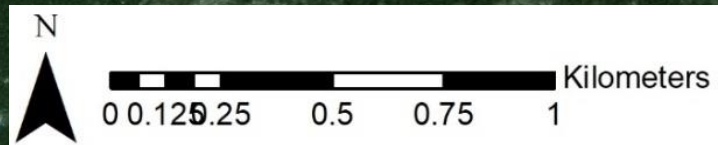
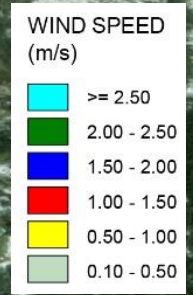
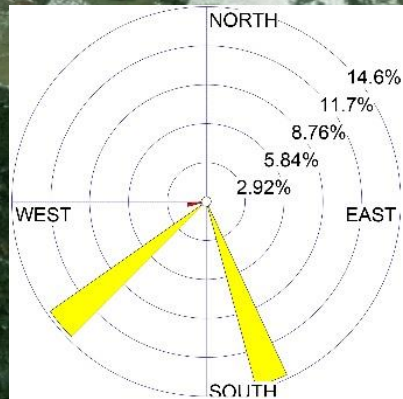




24. 11. 2018 (18:00 - 19:00)

**PM<sub>2.5</sub>** ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )

- 0-10
- 10-15
- 15-35
- 35-50
- 50-100
- 100-150
- 150-250
- 250-1000
- 1000-1500
- 1500-10000













# CONSPIRO & TASQ Force meetings for Air Quality (European Commission)





Thank you very much for your attention!





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