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Osan Air Base, South Korea

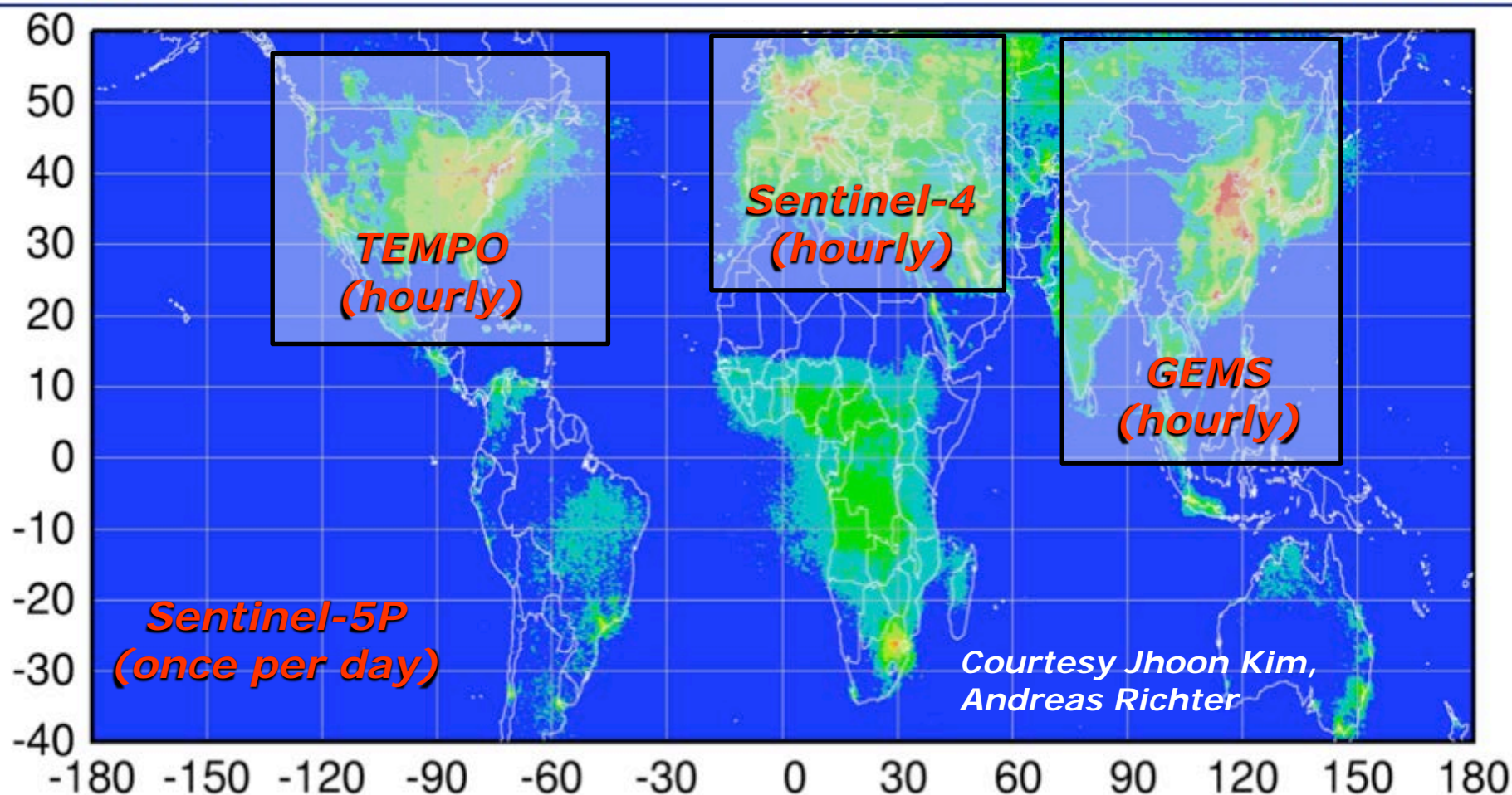
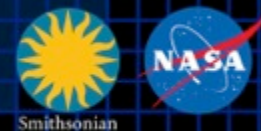
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Global Pollution Monitoring Constellation (2018-2020)



Policy-relevant science and environmental services enabled by common observations

- Improved emissions, at common confidence levels, over industrialized Northern Hemisphere
- Improved air quality forecasts and assimilation systems
- Improved assessment, e.g., observations to support United Nations Convention on Long Range Transboundary Air Pollution

Goals and Rationale

Science:

- Improve capability for satellite remote sensing of air quality
- Better understanding of the factors controlling air quality
- Test and improve model simulation of air quality

International Collaboration

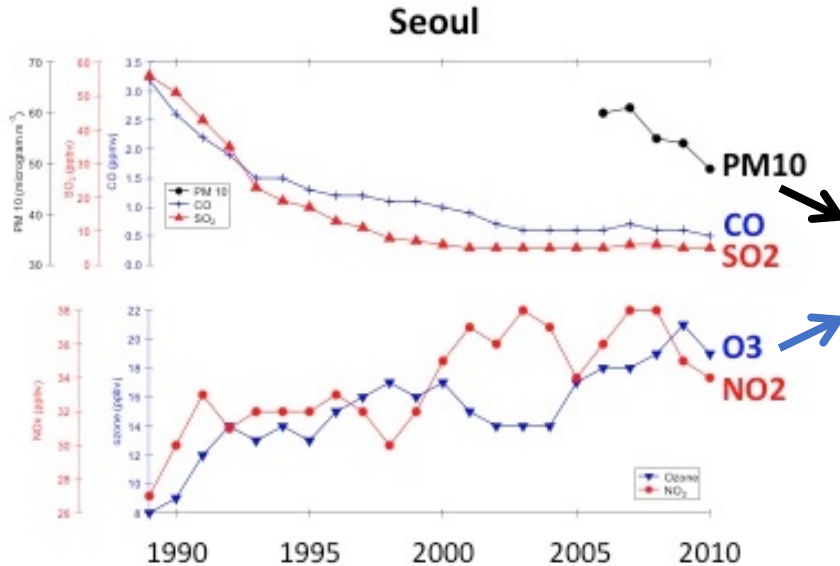
Develop relationships that will enhance the global air quality satellite constellation including geostationary observations from TEMPO (NASA) and GEMS (KARI).

Capacity Building

Develop a stronger airborne science community in Korea through direct experience on the NASA DC-8 and participation in the planning of research flights.



Air quality trends and geography make Korea particularly interesting



Particle emissions have dropped in recent years, but O_3 and NO_2 continue to increase in Seoul

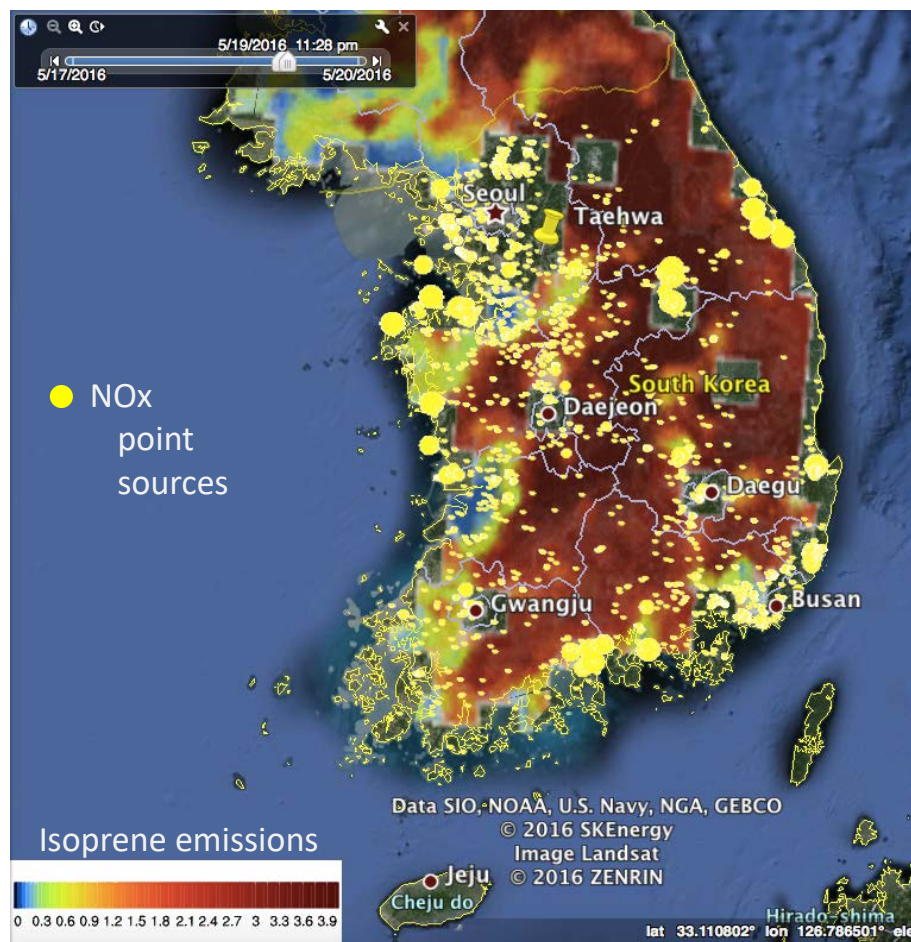
Land cover map indicates sharp distinction between urban and natural emissions

Seoul Metropolitan Area has 25 million inhabitants, half of Korea's population

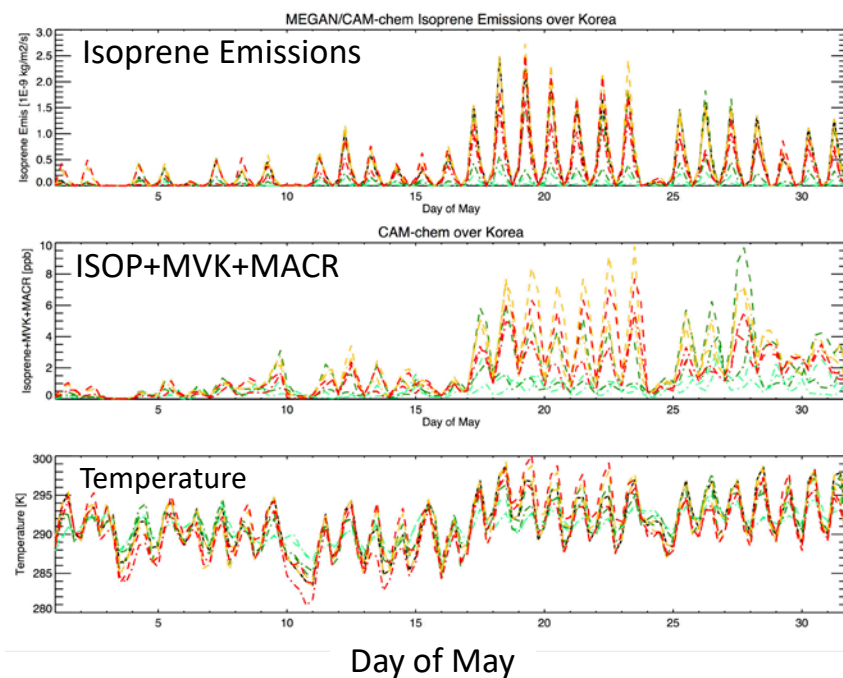
Rural regions are heavily forested



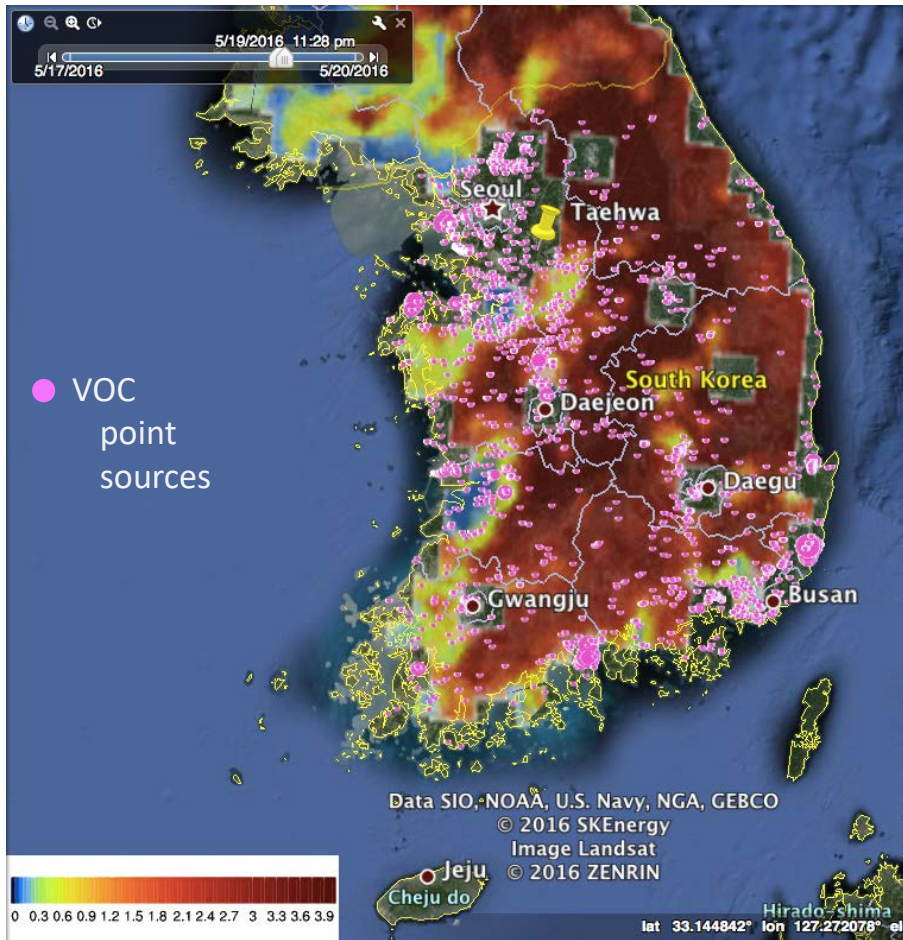
Biogenic VOCs and NOx



MEGAN predictions of isoprene emissions sharply increased in mid-May
Anthropogenic NOx is not confined to Seoul – many power plants on east and south coasts

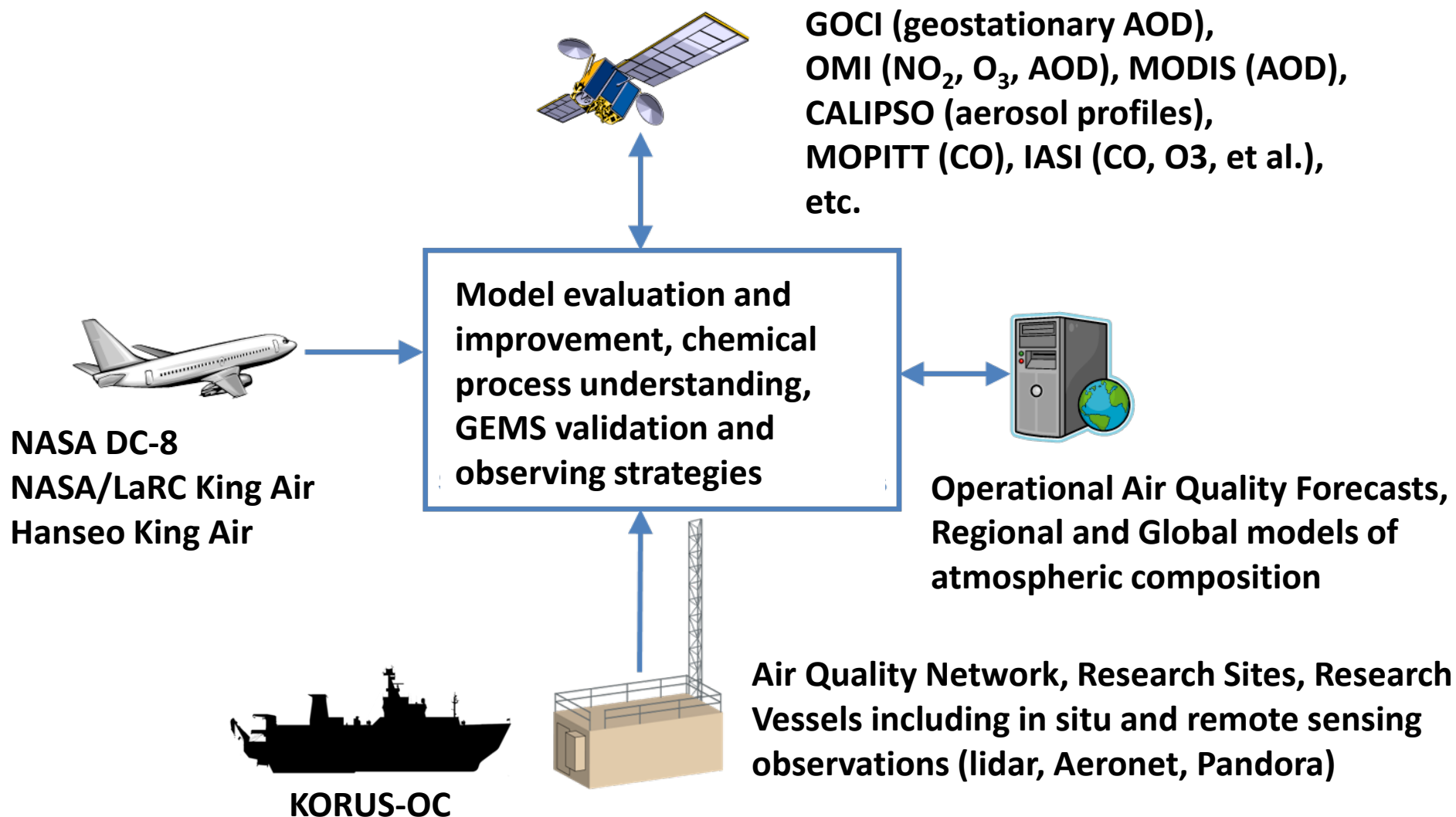


Anthropogenic VOCs are also important

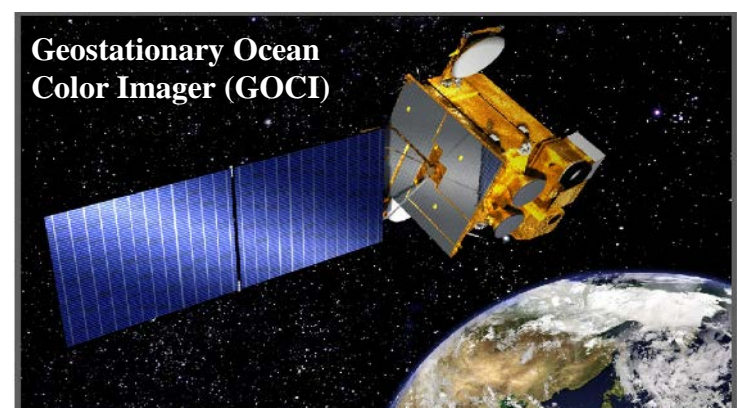
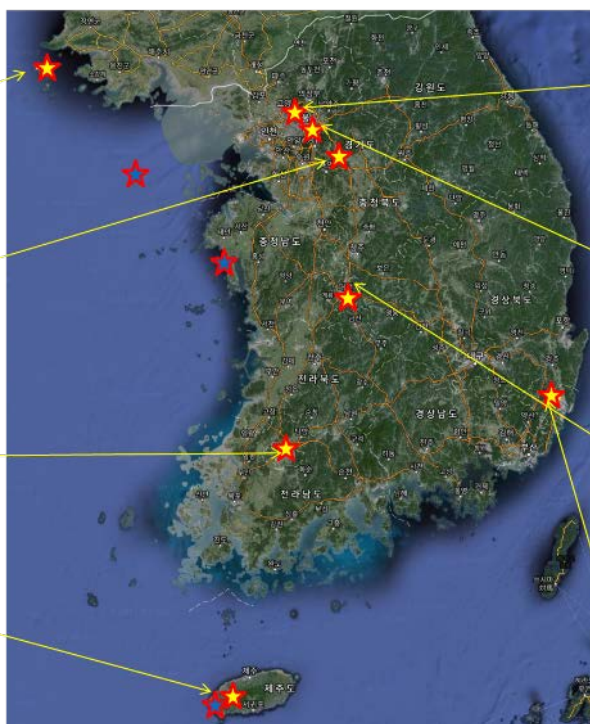


Aromatics, and other anthropogenic VOCs, must also be considered as important ozone and SOA precursors

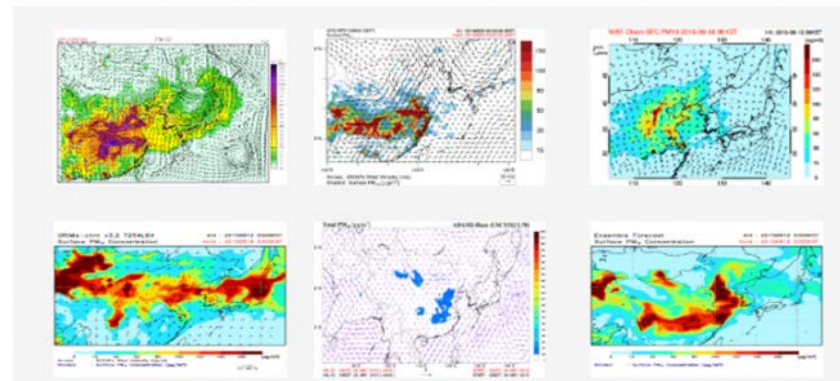
KORUS-AQ combined assets from the Korean and U.S. atmospheric science communities and their supporting organizations (NIER, NASA, Universities, etc.) to implement an integrated observing system for improving our understanding of Air Quality

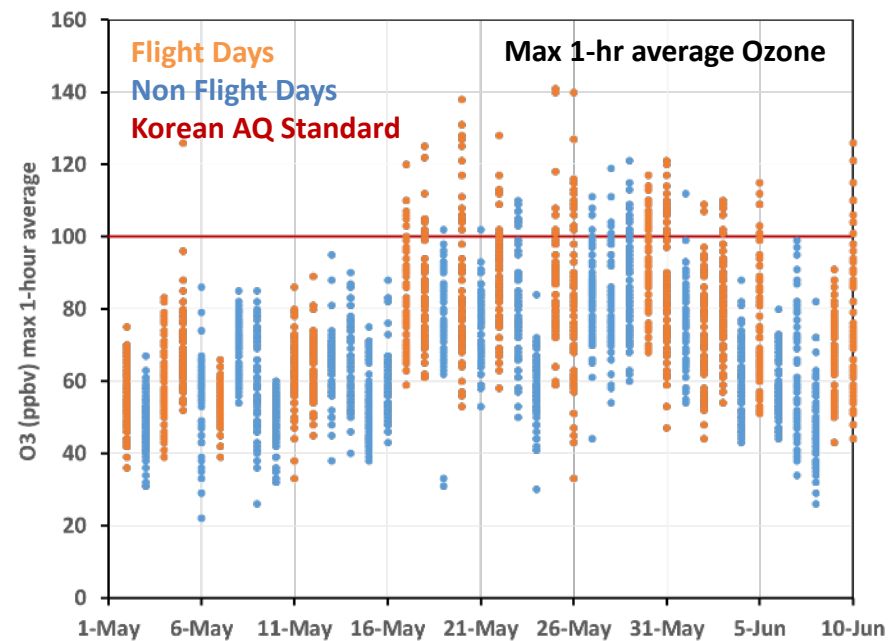
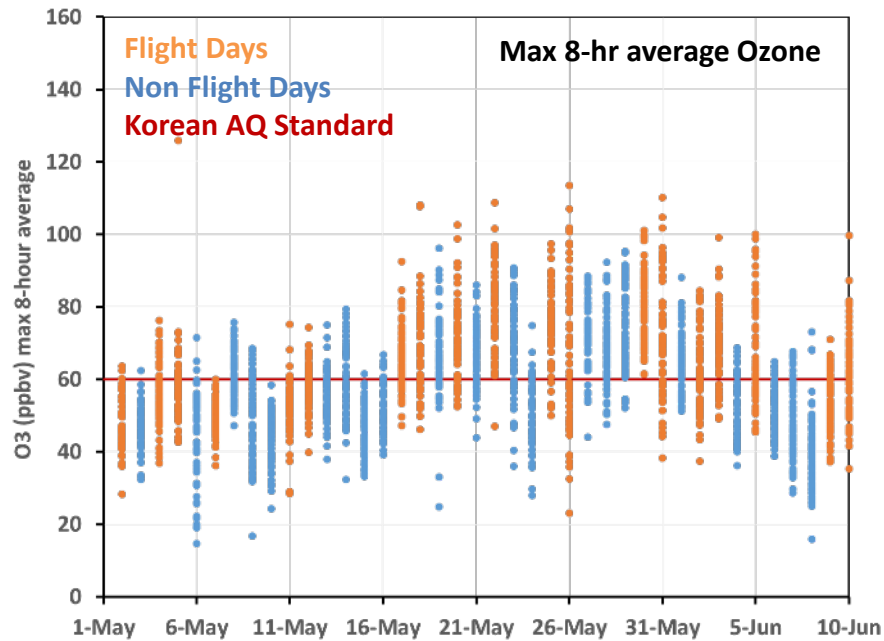
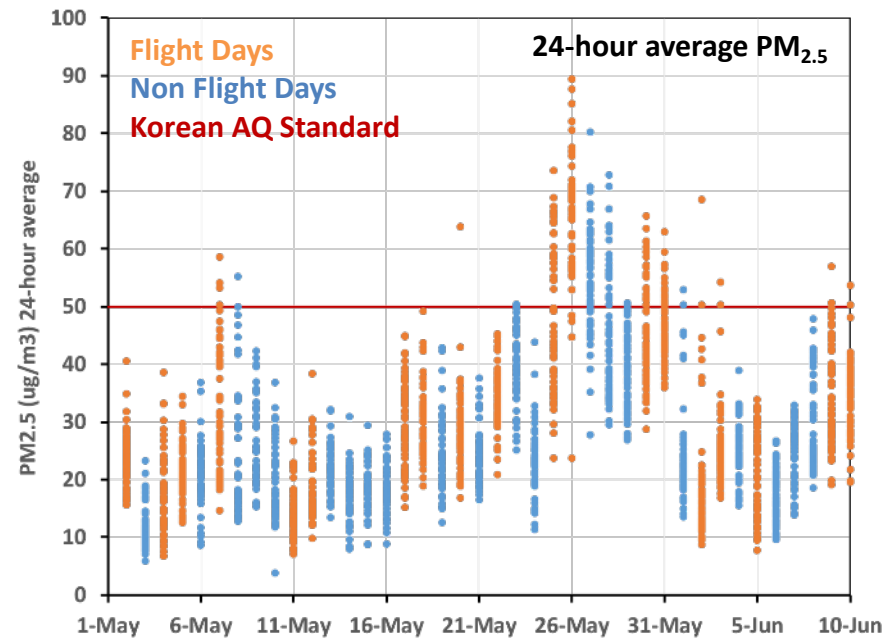
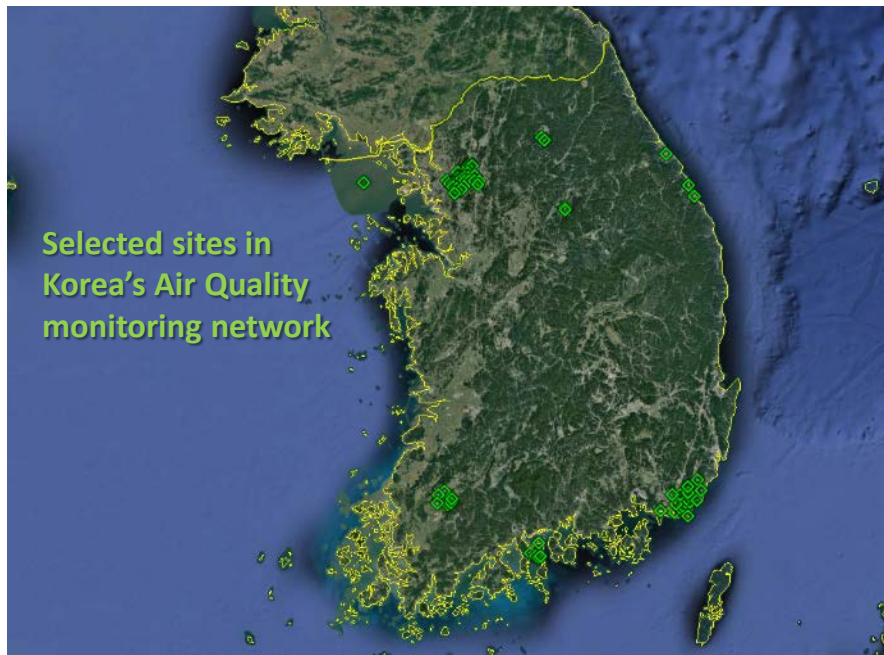


KORUS → AQ



Korean and US Air Quality Model Forecasts





Complimentary aircraft payloads and flight patterns



Large payload

- Trace gases
- Aerosol composition and properties
- Lidar: ozone, aerosol properties
- Actinic flux (photolysis)

Long range (8 hrs)

Profiling surface – 8 km

Small payload of remote sensors

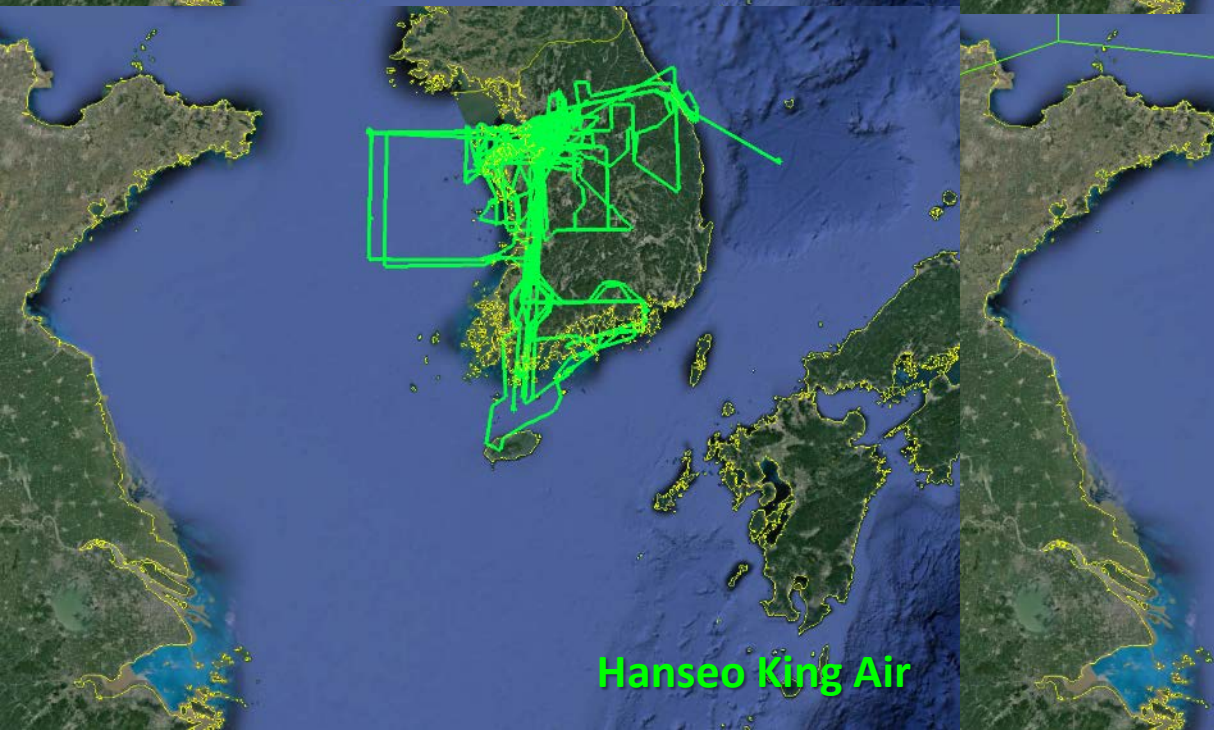
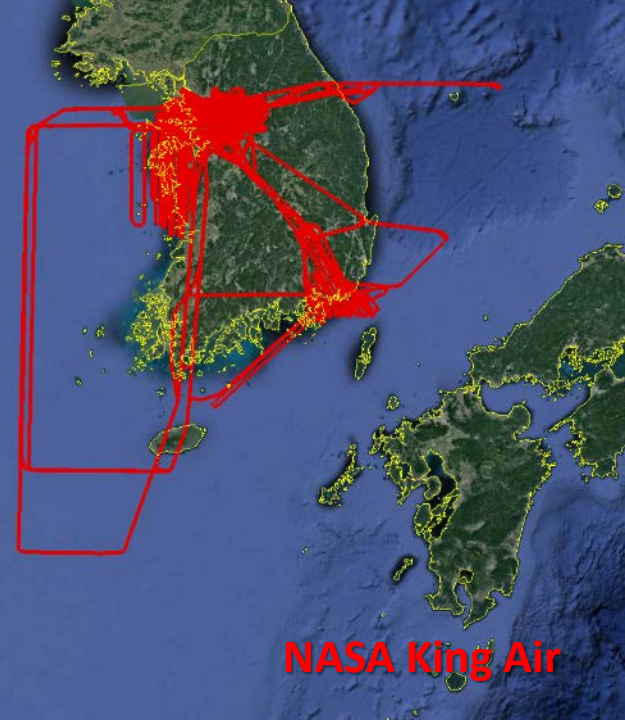
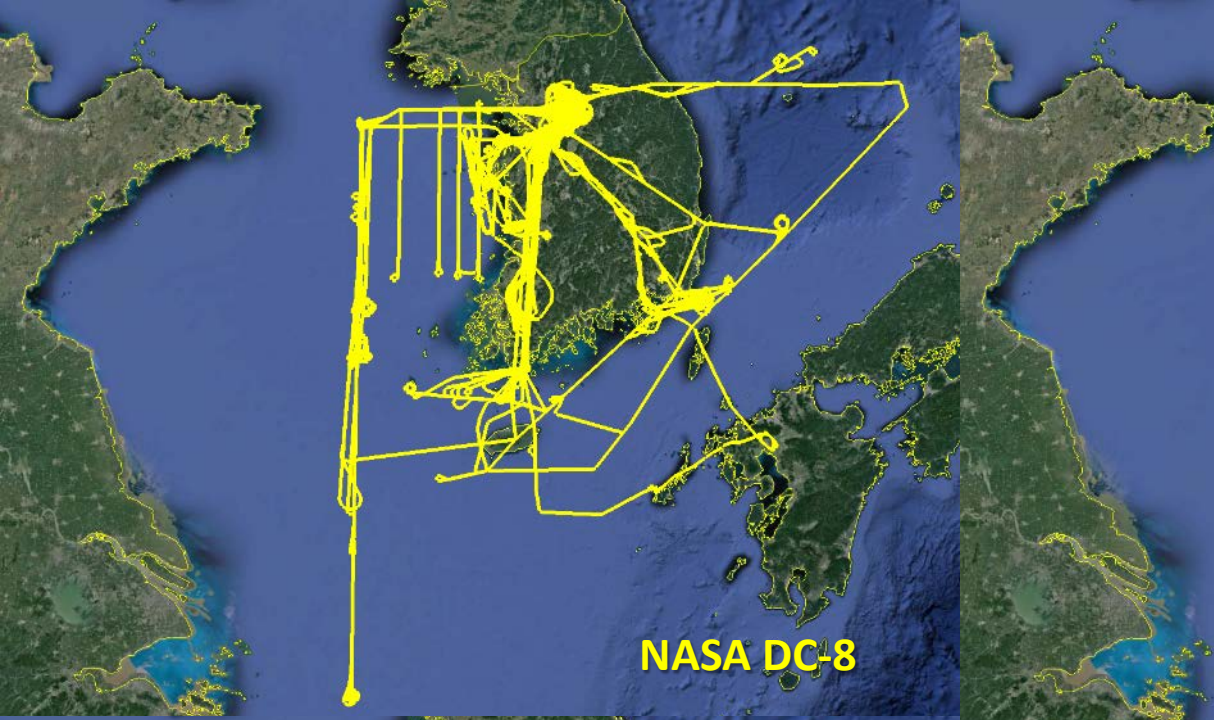
- Geo-TASO (TEMPO simulator)
- MOS (ocean color)

Constant altitude (~8 km)

Small payload

- O_3 , CO , SO_2 , formaldehyde, VOCs, aerosols

Low altitude (0-4 km)



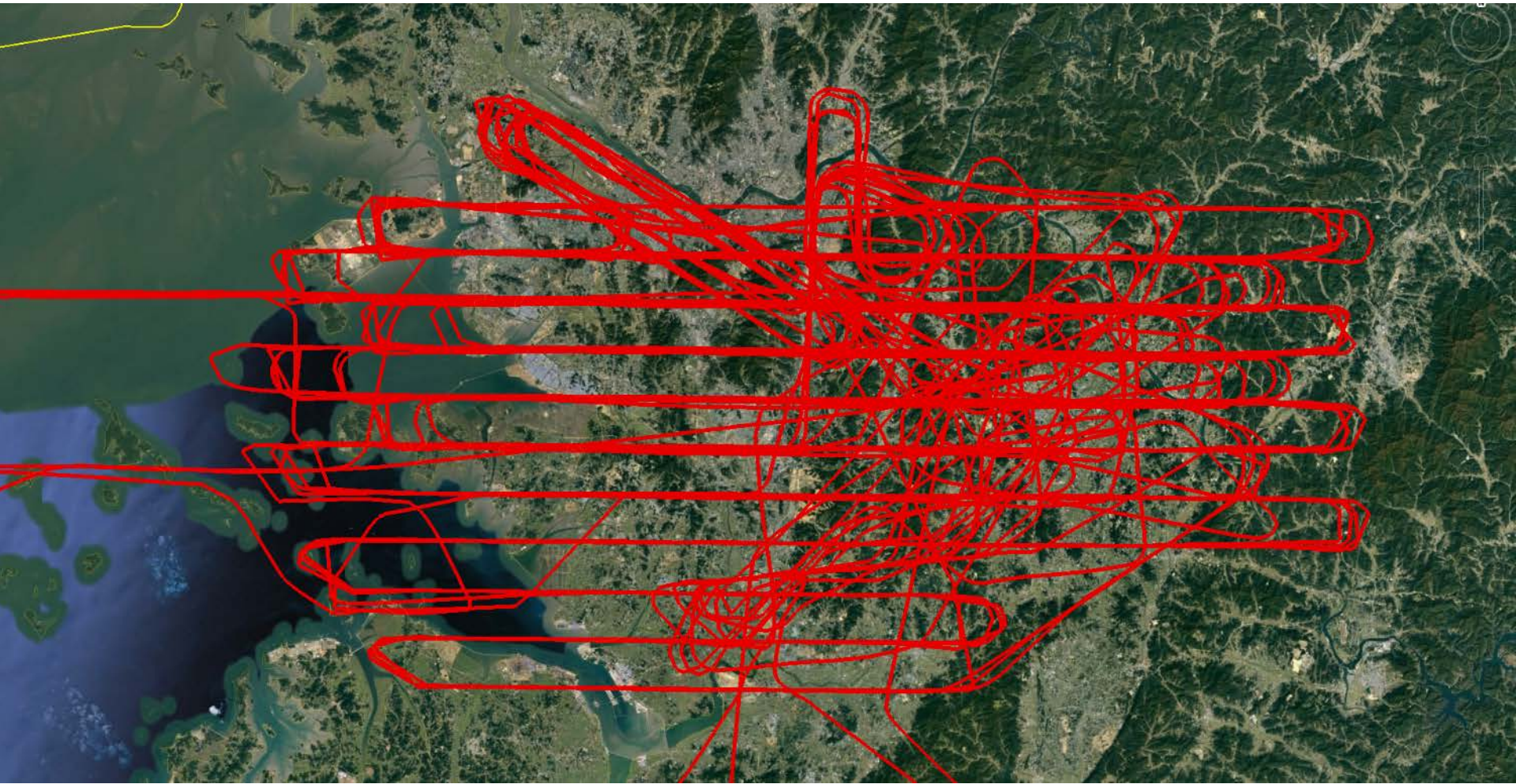
Repetitive sampling by the DC-8 over research sites in Seoul and adjacent rural areas





Photos by J. Crawford

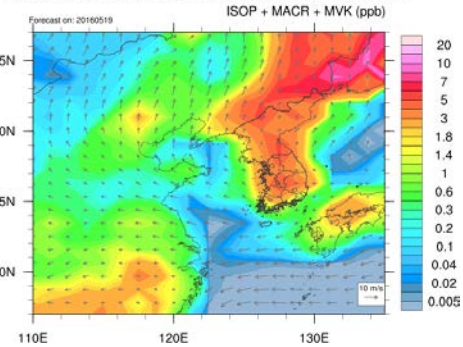
Repetitive sampling by the NASA King Air to map emissions over the Seoul Metropolitan Area and adjacent rural areas



Chemical forecasts

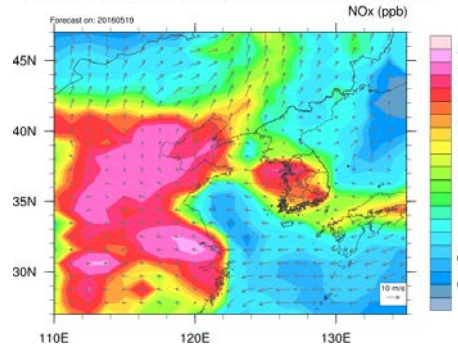
ISOP+MACR+MVK

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NOx

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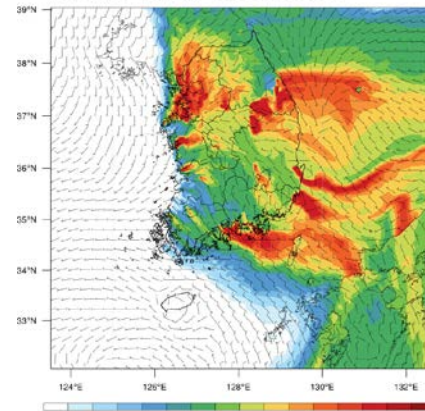


NOx point sources

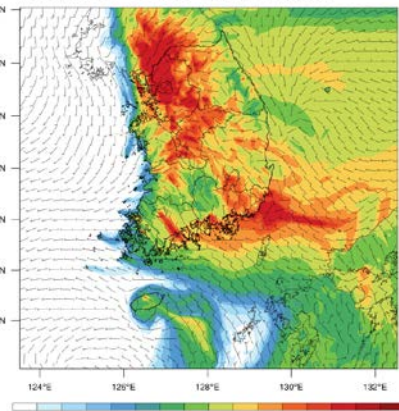
NOx mobile sources

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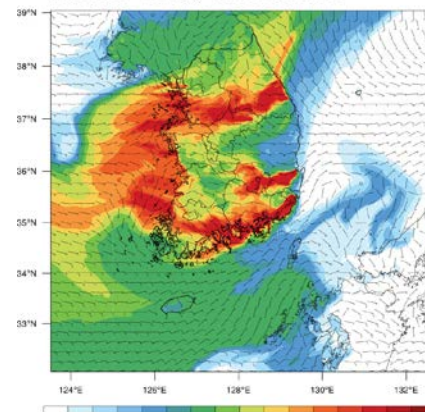


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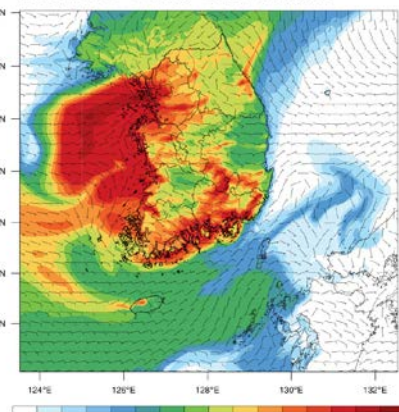


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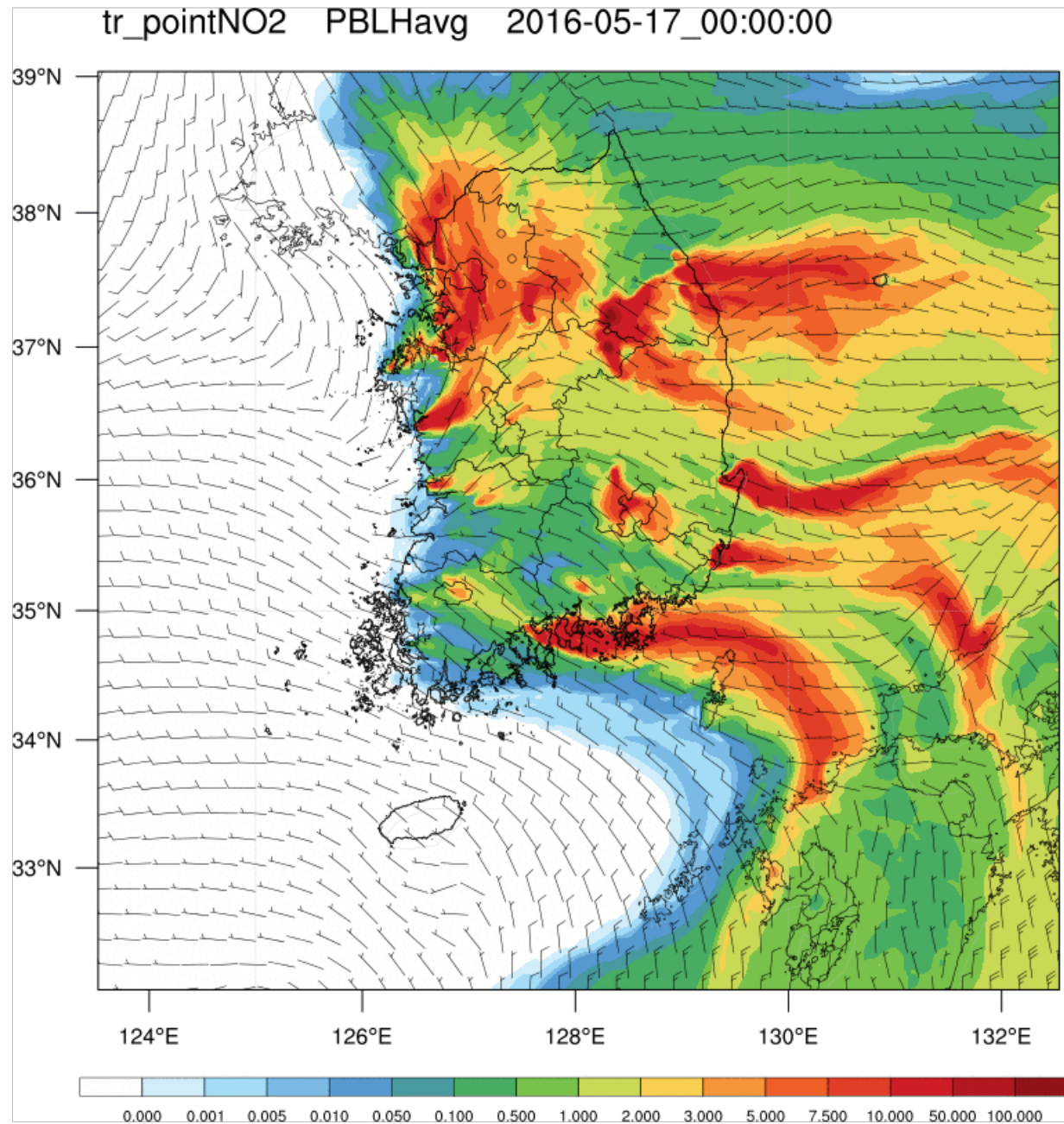
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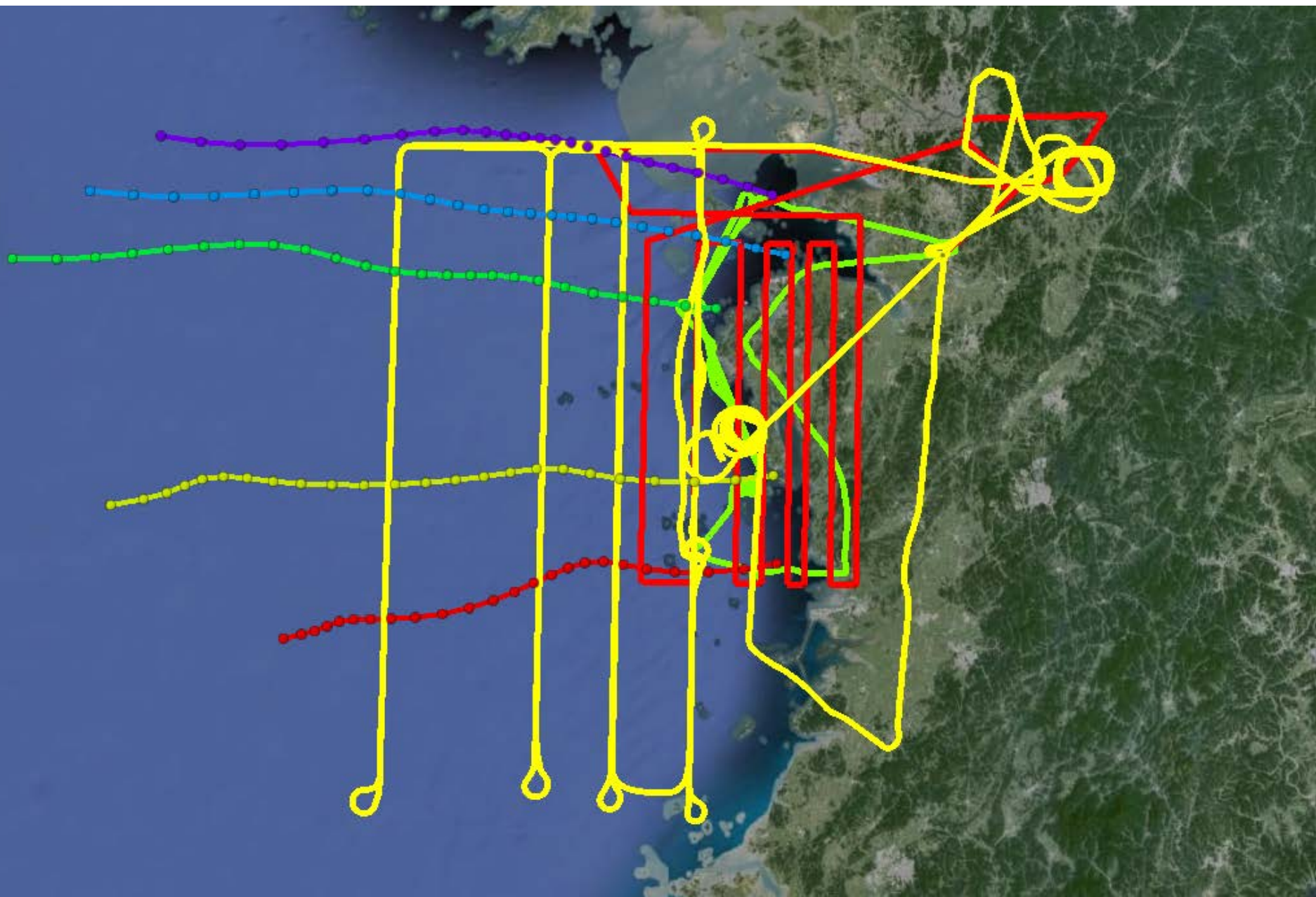


WRF-Tracer forecast of point sources



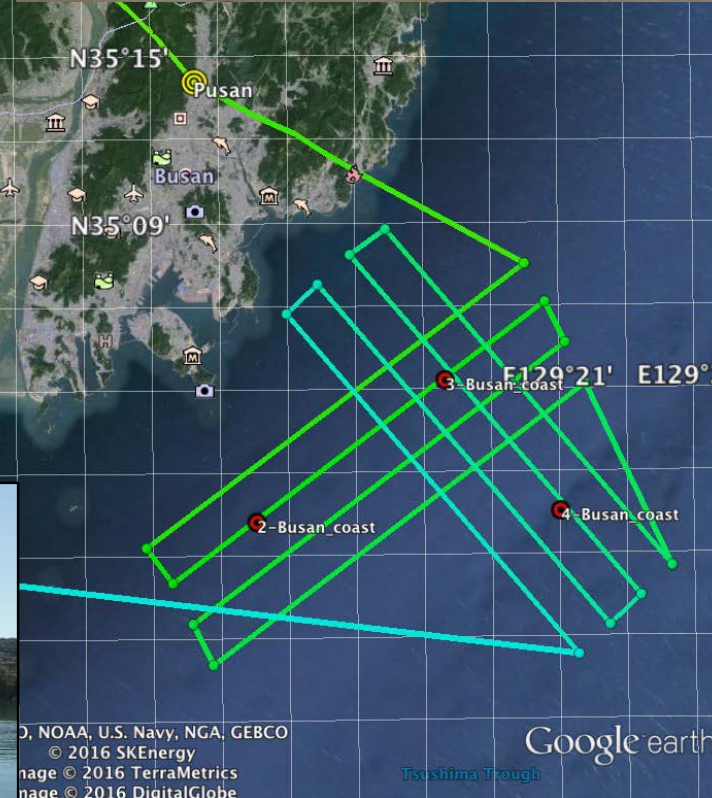
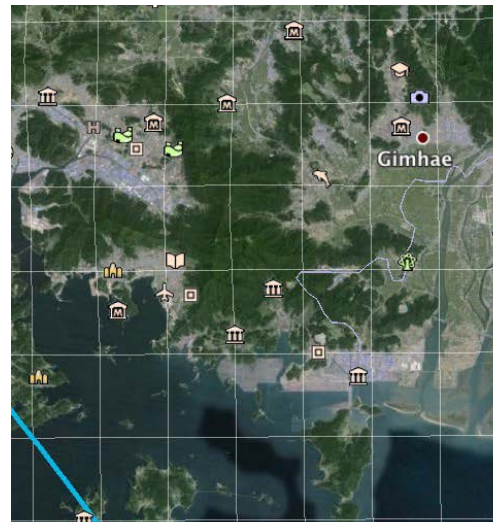
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Cooperative sampling of Power Plant and Seoul Emissions over the West Sea



KORUS-OC: An International Cooperative Ocean Color Field Study in Korea

- A joint study led by the Korea Institute of Ocean Science and Technology (KIOST) and NASA
- Field study (20 May – 6 June 2016) will focus on the links between satellite and ship-based measurements of ocean color, biology and biogeochemistry as well as atmospheric composition.
- Korea has a geostationary satellite for ocean color and aerosol optical depth (GOCI) and is building a second-generation sensor GOCI-II.
- Figure shows May 20 overflight of ship stations





Website



<http://www-air.larc.nasa.gov/missions/korus-aq/index.html>



Data Archive



<https://espo.nasa.gov/home/korus-aq/content/KORUS-AQ>

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