

Disaster Resilient Cities: Forecasting Local Level Climate Extremes and Physical Hazards for Kuala Lumpur

Atmospheric Forecasting

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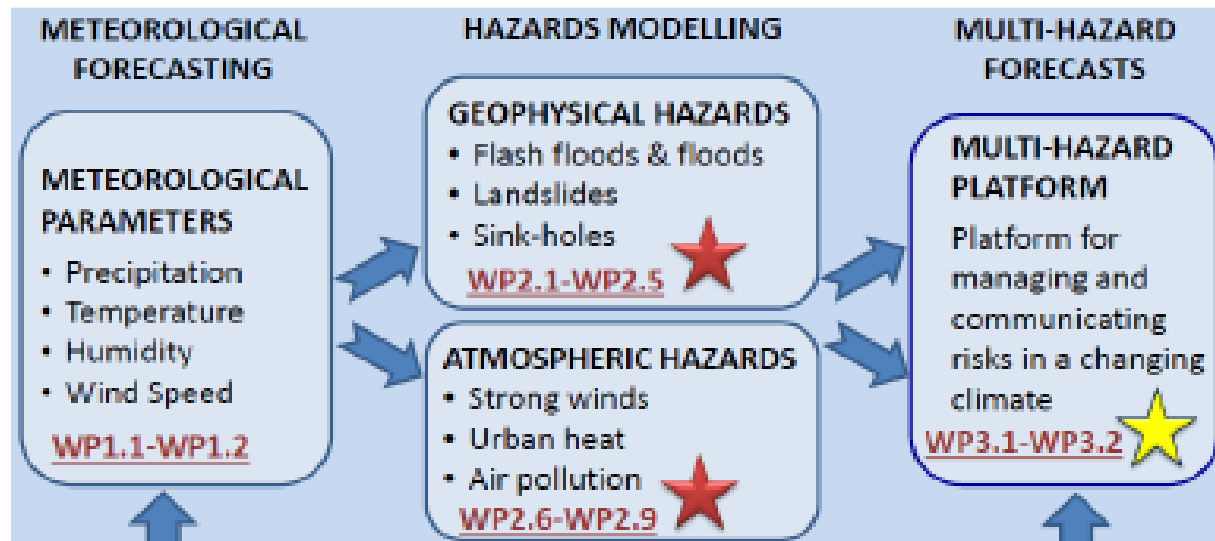
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Summary

- NUOF Hazard Forecasting project
 - Overview
 - Multi-hazard platform and atmospheric forecasts
- Short-term urban heat forecasts
 - Applying and verifying the model for Kuala Lumpur
- Short-term air quality forecasts
 - Applying and verifying the model for Kuala Lumpur
 - Recent haze episode and Indonesian fires

An international city-scale project for a tropical environment:

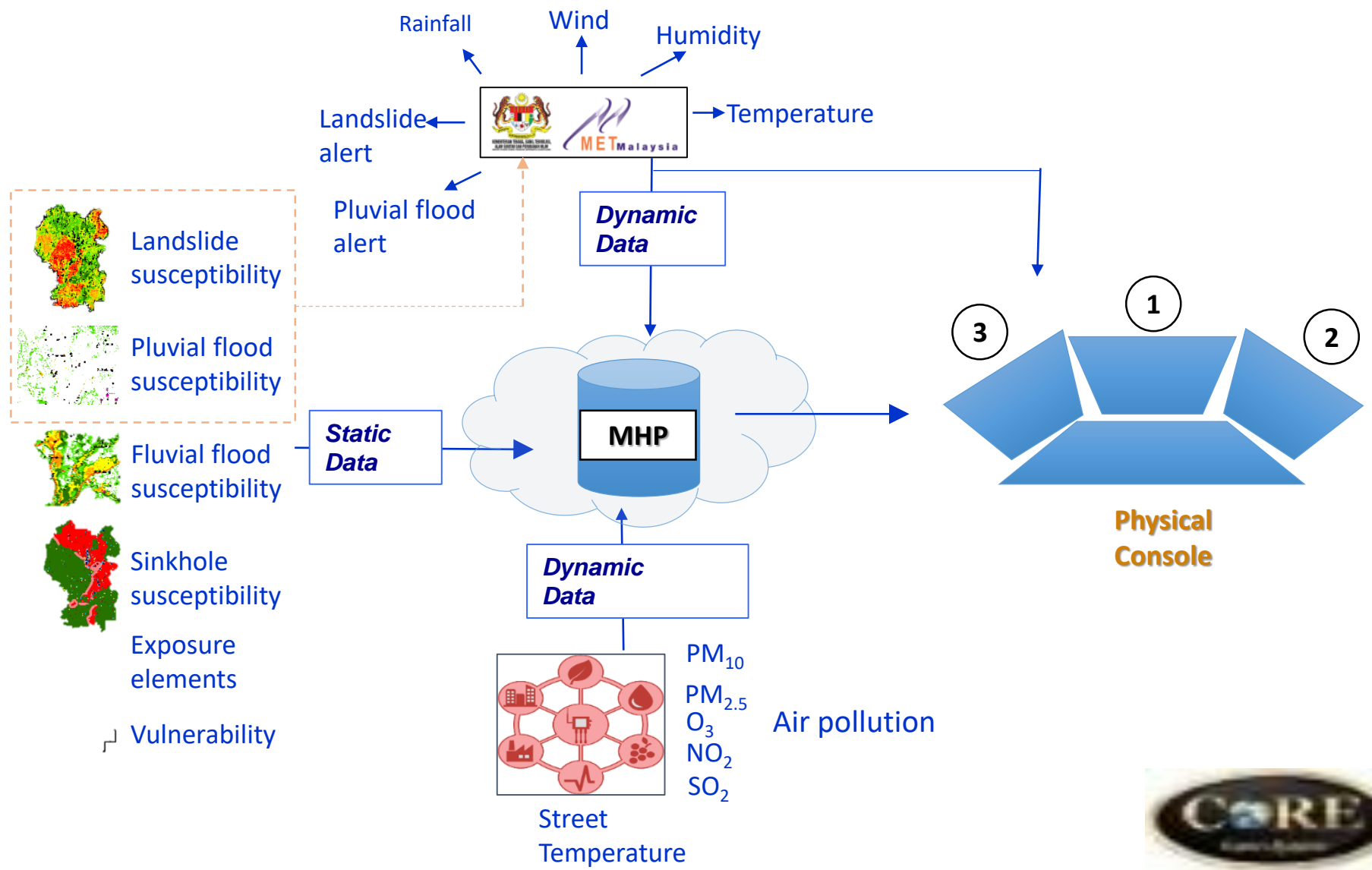
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MULTIHAZARD PLATFORM

Dynamic & Static Data

Work is on-going



Short-term urban heat forecasts



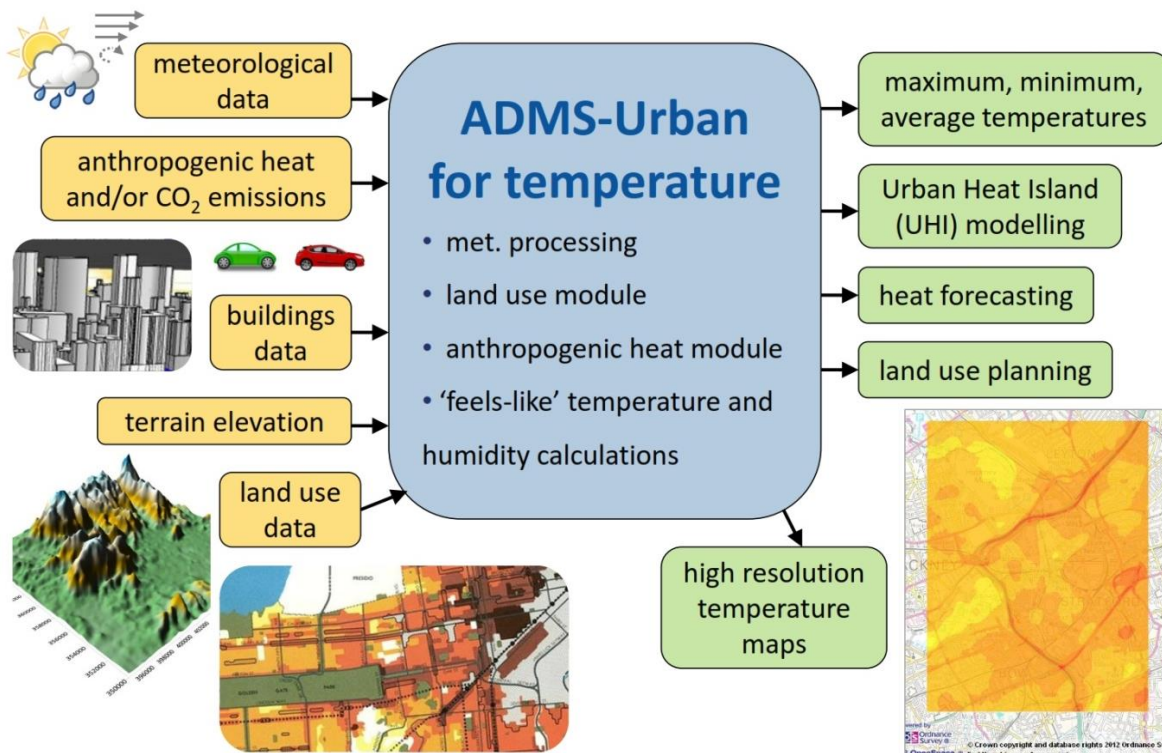
CERC'S ADMS-URBAN MODEL

Temperature and humidity modelling software

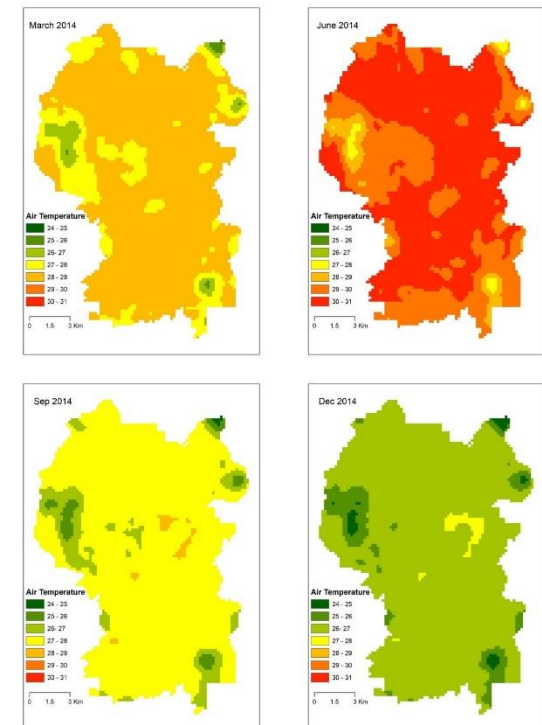
Preliminary Findings

The 'Disaster Resilient Cities' project team have

- Applied and verified ADMS-Urban for a tropical city: Kuala Lumpur
- Set up a short-term high resolution temperature forecast system



Predicted seasonal variation



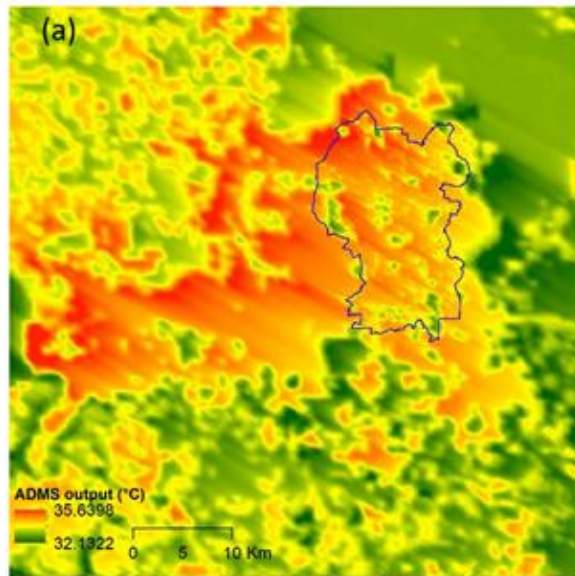
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VERIFICATION OF ADMS-URBAN TEMPERATURES

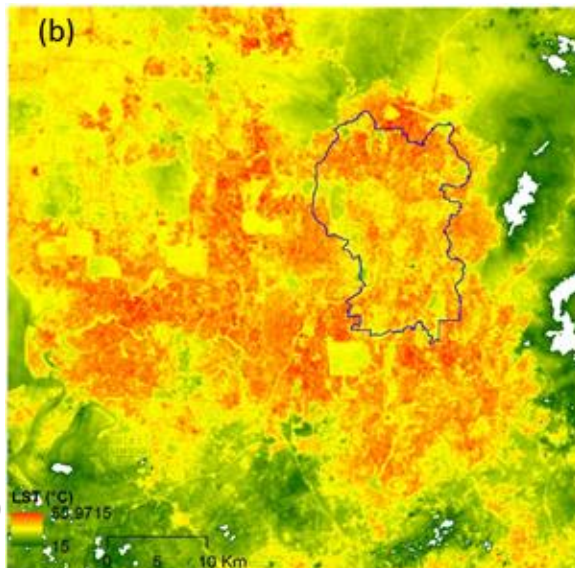
Preliminary Findings

Spatial pattern 12:00 on 30 May 2015

Modelled

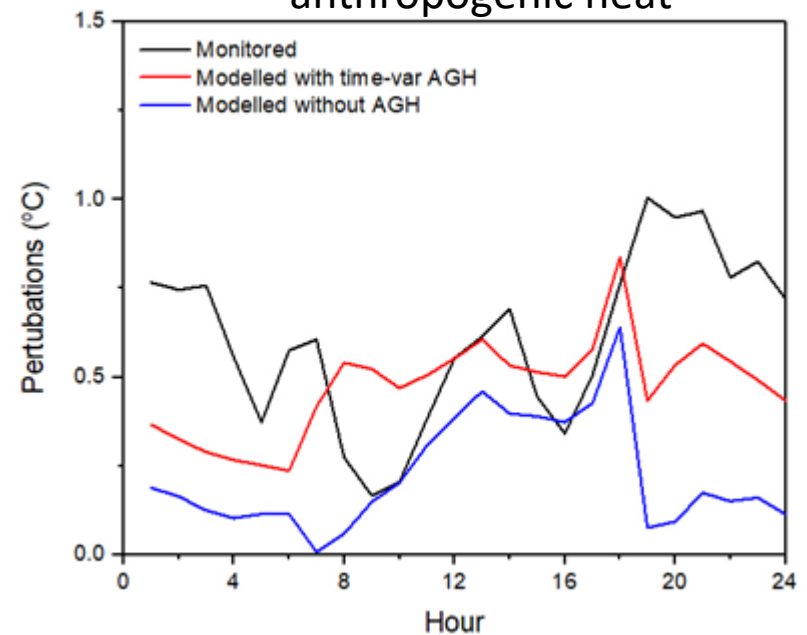


Derived from satellite (Landsat)



Diurnal variation

— Measured
— Modelled with anthropogenic heat
— Modelled without anthropogenic heat



For, Petaling Jaya,

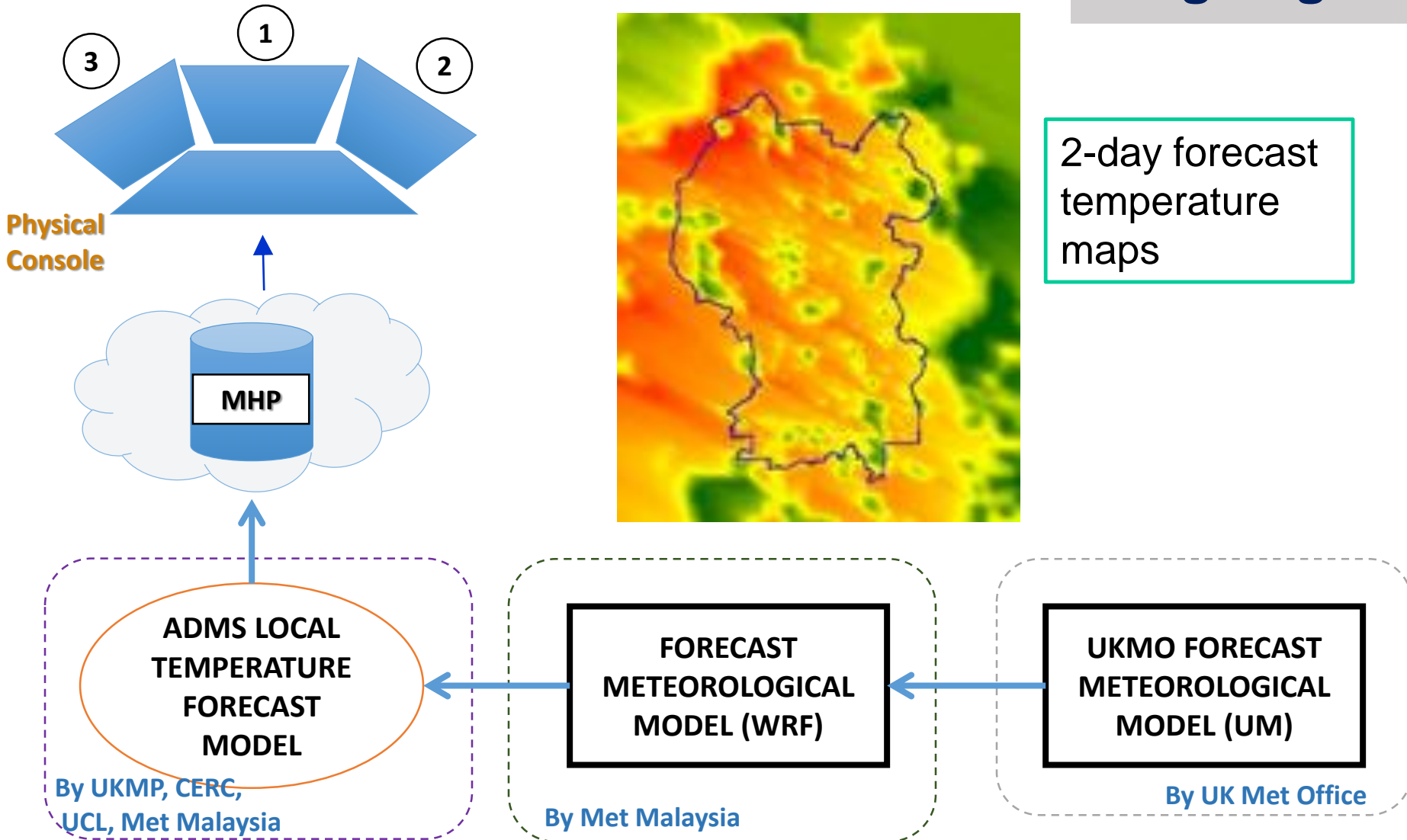
Uses measured meteorology (Met Malaysia) as upwind input and to compare with predictions

Wang, K., *et al*
Geoscience Letters, 2019
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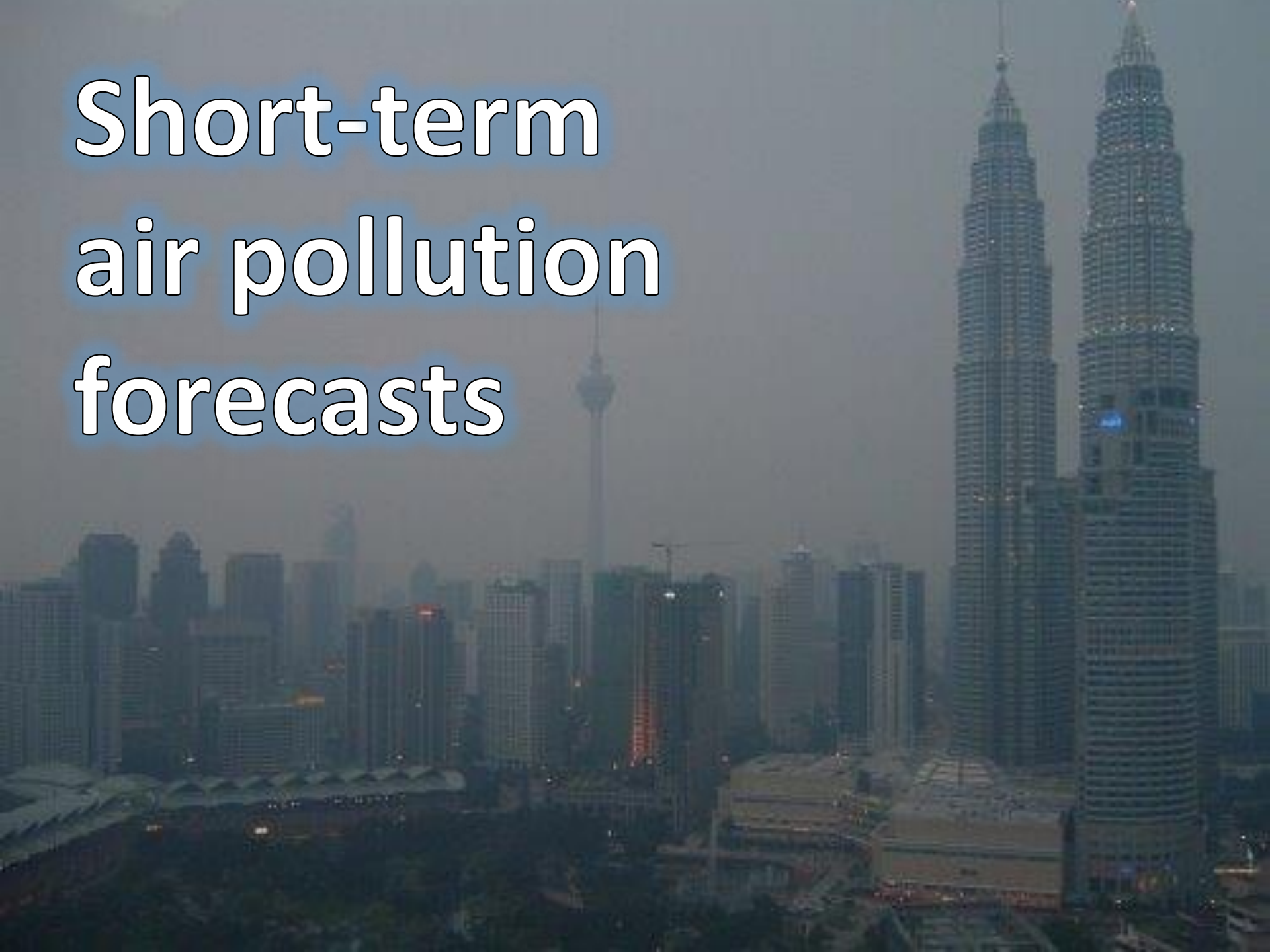
PRODUCTION OF ATMOSPHERIC FORECASTS

Detailed Temperature Short-Term Forecast

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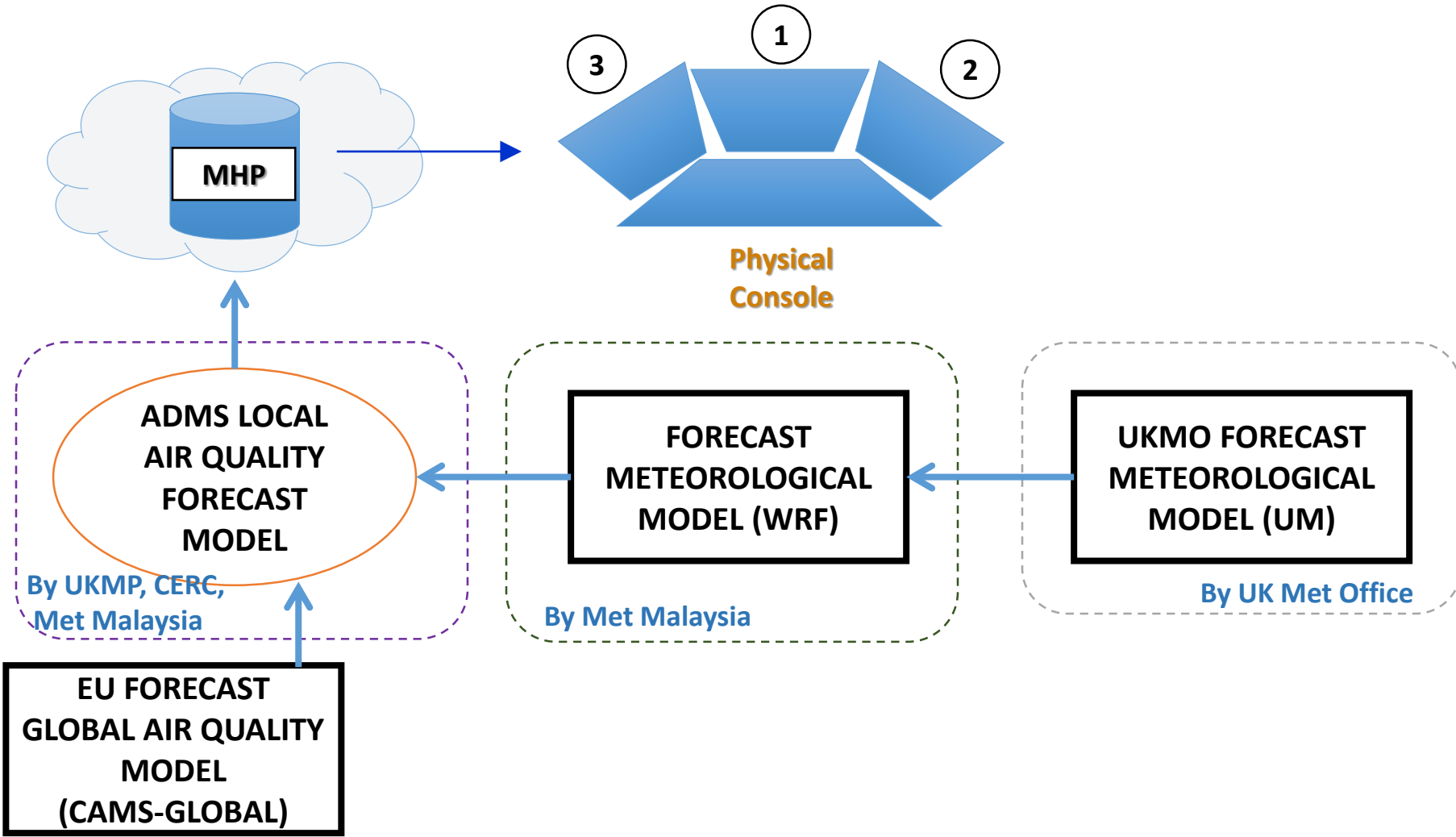
Short-term air pollution forecasts



PRODUCTION OF ATMOSPHERIC FORECASTS

Air Quality Short-Term Forecast

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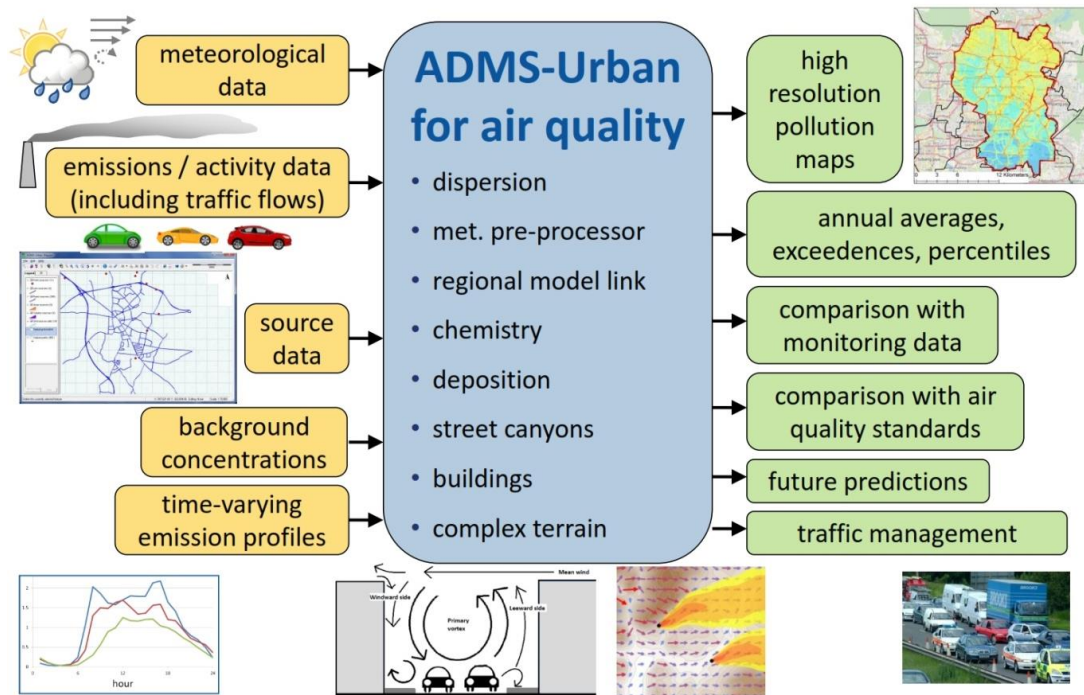
CERC'S ADMS-URBAN MODEL

World-leading atmospheric dispersion software

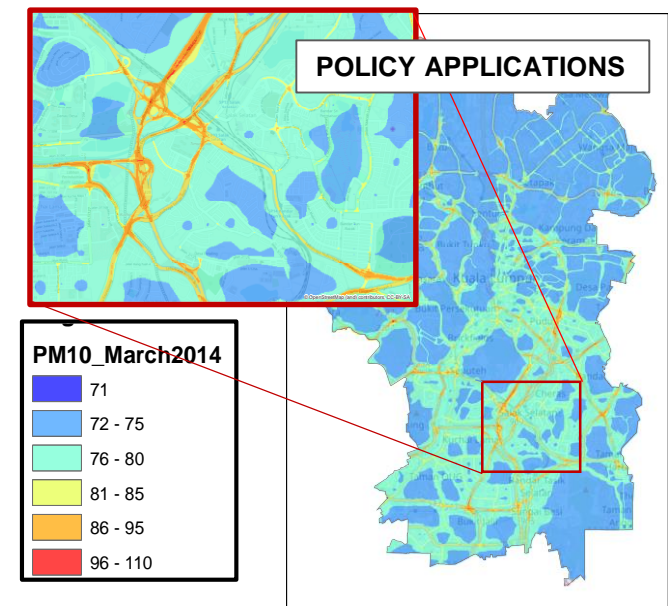
Preliminary Findings

The 'Disaster Resilient Cities' project team have

- Applied and verified ADMS-Urban for a tropical city: Kuala Lumpur
- Assessed policy scenarios such as road closure and regional haze
- Set up a short-term air quality forecast system



March 2014 PM₁₀ concentrations



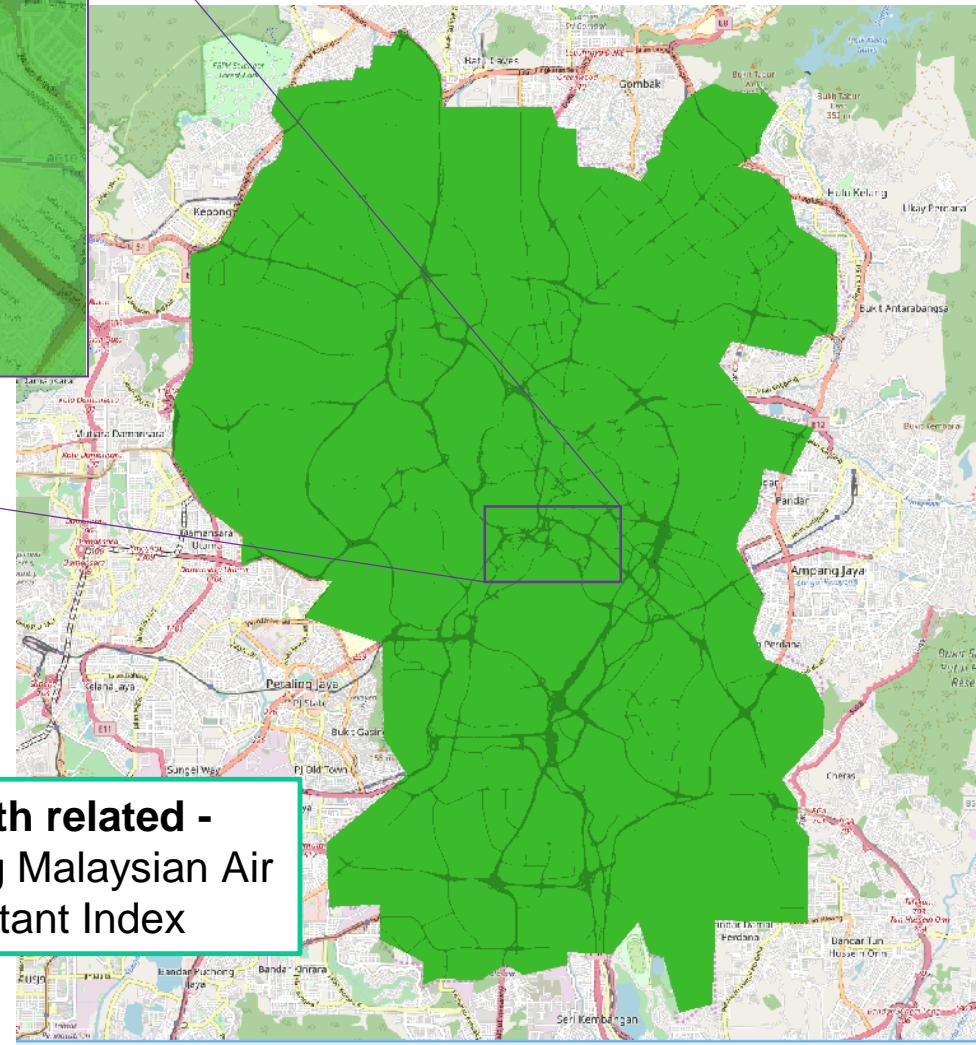
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Pollution maps –at street-scale resolution (~ 10 m near roads, ~ 50 m urban background)

2 day forecasts issued by 04:00 Malaysian time

PM10, PM2.5, NO2, O3, SO2

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API Value	Band	Advice
Below 50	GOOD	Low pollution without any bad effect on health
51 – 100	MODERATE	Moderate pollution that does not pose any bad effect on health
101 – 200	UNHEALTHY	Worsen the health condition of high risk people who is the people with heart and lung complications
201 – 300	VERY UNHEALTHY	Worsen the health condition and low tolerance of physical exercises to people with heart and lung complications. Affect public health
Above 300	HAZARDOUS	Hazardous to high risk people and public health

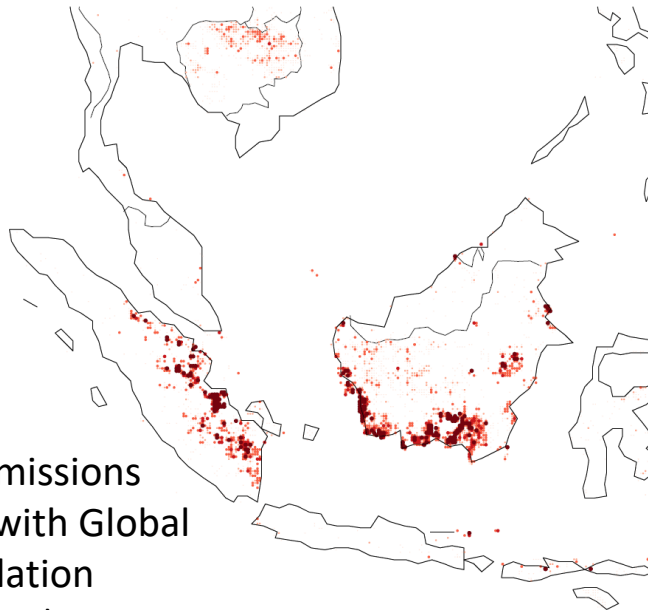
Health related - using Malaysian Air Pollutant Index

EU CAMS MONITORING

2019 Indonesian fires

Analyses (assimilating satellite obs) and 5-day forecasts of atmospheric composition/air quality – organic matter aerosol as proxy for haze

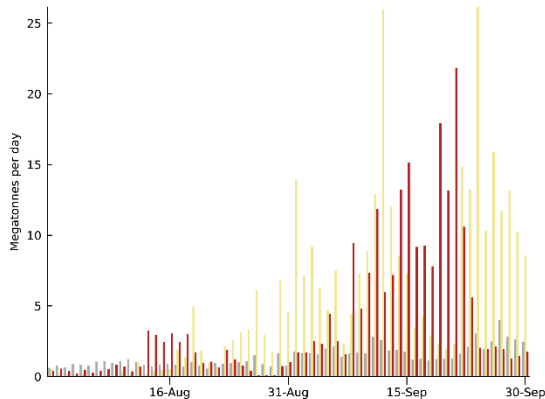
CAMS GFASv1.2 wildfire locations: 1 August to 30 September 2019



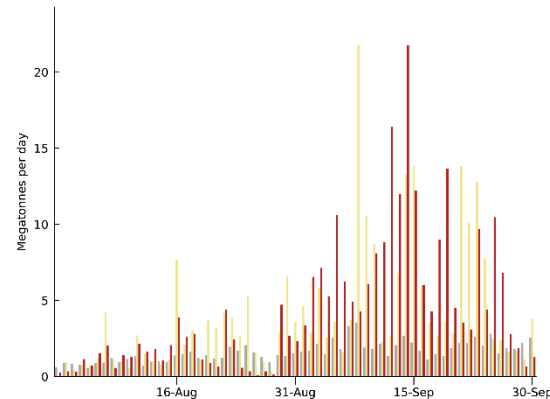
Daily fire emissions
estimated with Global
Fire Assimilation
System (GFAS)

FRP (mW/m²)
1 to 5

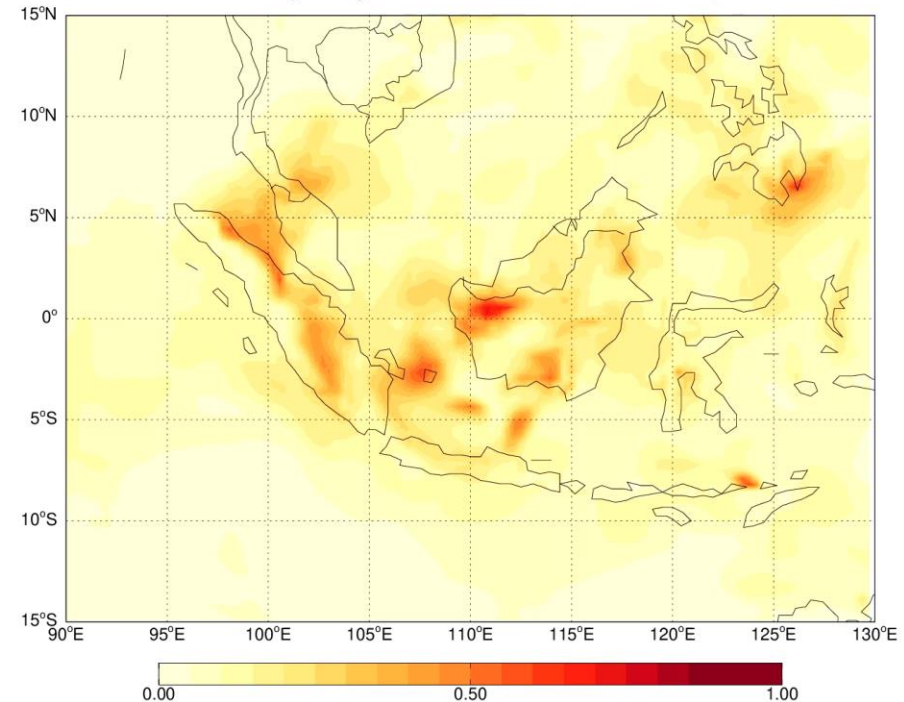
CAMS Daily Wildfire CO₂ Emissions (GFASv1.2) for Sumatera



CAMS Daily Wildfire CO₂ Er



CAMS Analysis Organic Matter AOD at 550nm: 20190901, 00z



<http://atmosphere.copernicus.eu/>

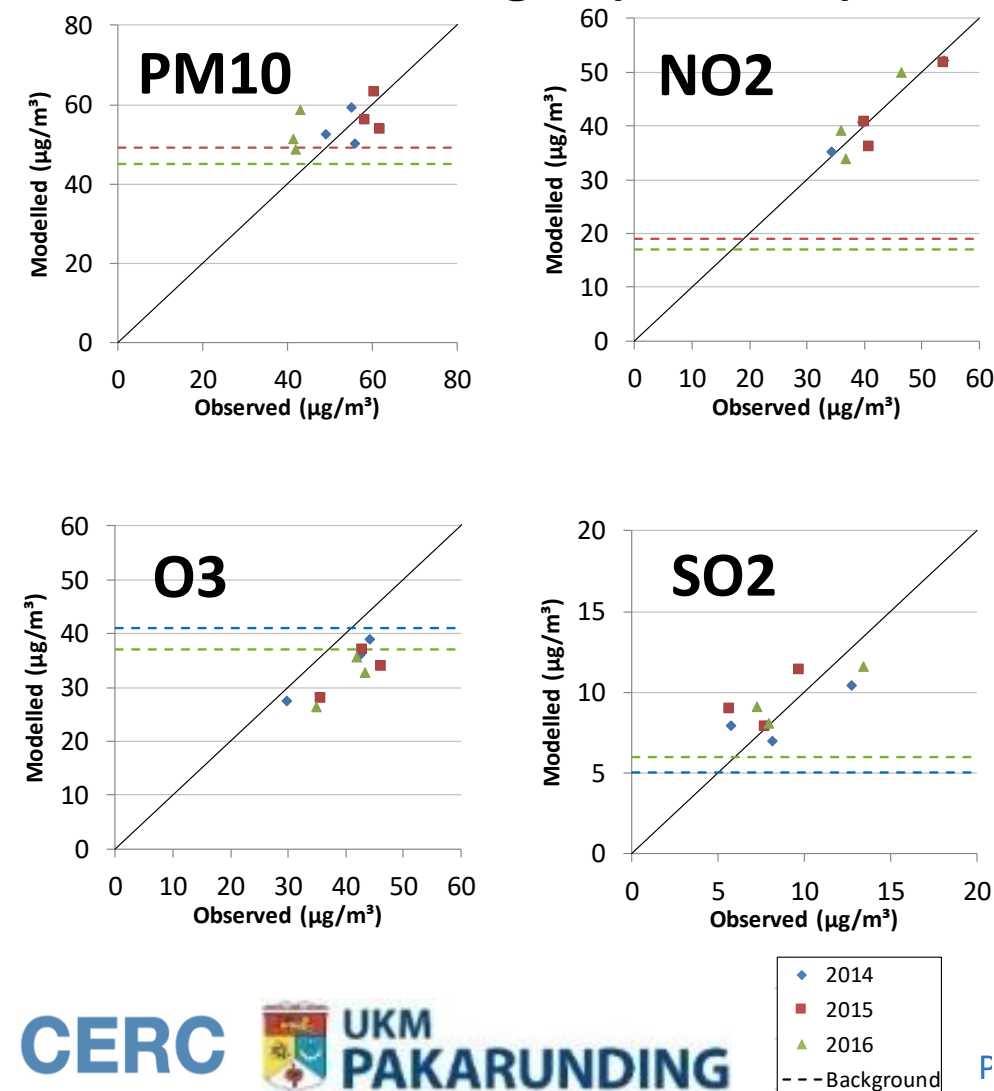
Thanks to Mark Parrington,
ECMWF/CAMS

VERIFICATION OF ADMS-URBAN AIR QUALITY

Preliminary Findings

- Measured meteorology (Met Malaysia) as input
- Measured hourly air quality (DOE) for background and to compare with predictions

Annual averages (2014-16)



Statistics for hourly predictions

Poll.	Year	Fb	NMS E	R	Fac2
PM ₁₀	2014	0.01	0.38	0.62	0.81
	2015	-0.05	0.31	0.76	0.78
	2016	0.23	0.25	0.55	0.81
NO ₂	2014	0.00	0.27	0.52	0.82
	2015	-0.05	0.29	0.45	0.79
	2016	0.03	0.29	0.46	0.80
NO _x	2014	-0.03	0.39	0.62	0.76
	2015	0.05	0.35	0.61	0.75
	2016	0.05	0.39	0.56	0.76
O ₃	2014	-0.12	0.62	0.81	0.41
	2015	-0.24	0.70	0.80	0.38
	2016	-0.24	0.70	0.79	0.39
SO ₂	2014	-0.05	1.24	0.21	0.57
	2015	0.20	1.78	0.15	0.53
	2016	0.00	1.15	0.18	0.54

Fb = Fractional bias, NMSE = normalised mean square error, R = correlation, Fac2 = fraction within 2x

VERIFICATION OF AIR QUALITY FORECASTS

- Hindcasting for 24 May 2019 to 16 Sep 2019
- Used archived met forecasts (Met Malaysia) and global air quality forecasts (EU CAMS) to determine what system would have predicted 2 days in advance
- Compared forecast and observed Malaysian Air Pollution Index bands:

API Bands

GOOD
MODERATE
UNHEALTHY
VERY UNHEALTHY
HAZARDOUS

Station	Pollutant	Number of points	Time period	Within correct band or out by one band
BM	NO2	90	Days	90.0%
C	NO2	89	Days	94.4%
PJ	NO2	92	Days	83.7%
BM	O3	2091	Hours	98.9%
C	O3	2150	Hours	98.9%
PJ	O3	2177	Hours	99.8%
BM	PM10	92	Days	100.0%
C	PM10	92	Days	100.0%
PJ	PM10	92	Days	100.0%
BM	PM2.5	92	Days	98.9%
C	PM2.5	92	Days	98.9%
PJ	PM2.5	92	Days	98.9%

Stations: BM = Batu Muda, C= Cheras, PJ = Petaling Jaya
Measured data provided by DOE

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