

Topic 1: Model evaluation and quality assurance – model validation, model intercomparisons, model uncertainties and model sensitivities

## TRAFFIC EMISSION SIMULATION AND VALIDATION WITH MEASURED DATA IN SOUTH KOREA

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

- Road traffic → main factor affecting the air quality of big cities around the world
- In urban hot-spot road traffic is the most significant contributor to air pollution



Skyline from South Korean city. Yonhap



Intersection in Gangnam, district of Seoul, South Korea. *Shutterstock* 

- Tendency to more accurate answers for specific air quality issues in cities
- Information for validation of this microscale approaches is scarce
- Motivation: first approach to the validation of VISSIM-VERSIT+<sub>micro</sub>/ENVIVER modelling system with measured data to compute accurate traffic emissions



#### **Modelling domain: POSCO intersection**

- 300m x 300m domain covering the intersection of 2 major roads: Teheran and Samseong
- More than 8000 veh·h<sup>-1</sup> crossing the signalized intersection at peak hours
- 2 scenarios: 9:00 10:00 a.m. (peak) and 15:00 16:00 p.m. (off-peak)









#### **Microscale traffic simulation with PTV VISSIM**





#### **Emission calculation with TNO Versit+micro/Enviver**





#### **CFD** pollutant concentration modelling



More information: Kwak et al. 2015



#### **KIST Mobile laboratory data recompilation**

- NO<sub>x</sub> measurement (calibration before and after)
- **GPS** location •

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- Sampling height 2m •
- 4 trips for off-peak interval •



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#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

# **Traffic emissions** from the VISSIM-VERSIT+micro/ENVIVER

Concentrations from the CFD model

#### Concentrations measurements from the Mobile Laboratory





#### CONCLUSIONS

- First attempt to the validation of the VISSIM-VERSIT+<sub>micro</sub>/ENVIVER modelling system on a real hot-spot using ML data (observations)
- Simulated concentration results are hard to compare to ML measured data:
  - difficult to obtain individual trip data that covers the whole domain for a complete hour
  - comparison is extremely dependant of a correct location of measurements
- Spatial distribution maps present similar concentration patterns:
  - higher concentrations near to the intersection
  - queuing vehicles after traffic lights in main roads



#### **NEXT STEPS**

- High concentration levels predicted by the simulation system must be corrected in order to compare the results values directly to the on-road measured data
- Compare simulated emission data using inverse emission estimation from the on-road measured concentrations for emission validation purposes





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