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Application and development of the OFIS model within the framework of CityDelta

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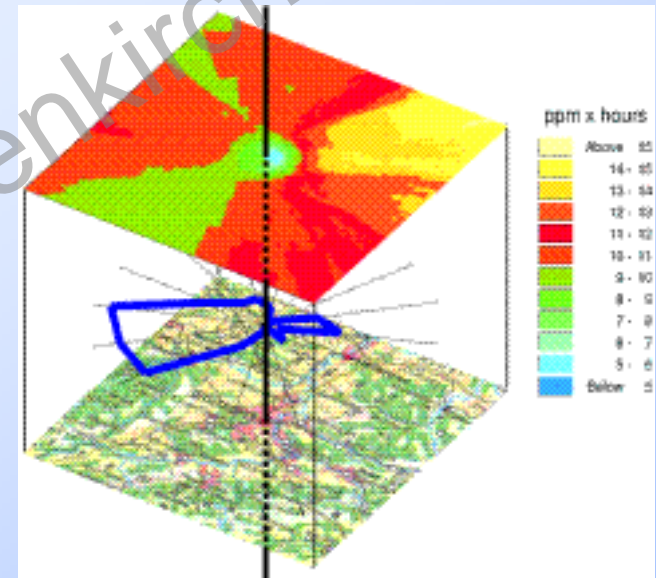


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The Ozone Fine Structure (OFIS) model - Model concept (1/2)

The OFIS model was developed in order to

- (i) allow authorities to assess urban air quality by means of a fast, simple and still reliable model
- (ii) refine a regional model simulation by estimating the urban subgrid effect on pollution levels





The Ozone Fine Structure (OFIS) model - Model concept (2/2)

Pollutant transport and transformation downwind the city (along the prevailing wind direction) calculated with a 2-layer model.

$$\Delta c_i^1 / \Delta t = K_z(c_i^2 - c_i^1) / dz_1^2 + q_i / dz_1 + R_i(c_1^1, \dots, c_n^1) + u(c_i^{u1} - c_i^1) / \Delta x$$

$$\Delta c_i^2 / \Delta t = K_z(c_i^1 - c_i^2) / (dz_2 dz_1) + R_i(c_1^2, \dots, c_n^2) + u(c_i^{u2} - c_i^2) / \Delta x + (c_i^{bc} - c_i^2) \max[0, \Delta H_t / (\Delta t \cdot H_t)]$$

C_i : concentration of chemical species i

K_z : vertical turbulent exchange coeff.

q_i : emission rate for species i

R_i : chemical formation or destruction rate for species i

H_t : mixing height

Top of 1st layer = 90 m

2nd layer = mixing height

cell width = city diameter

cell length (Δx) = ~5 km



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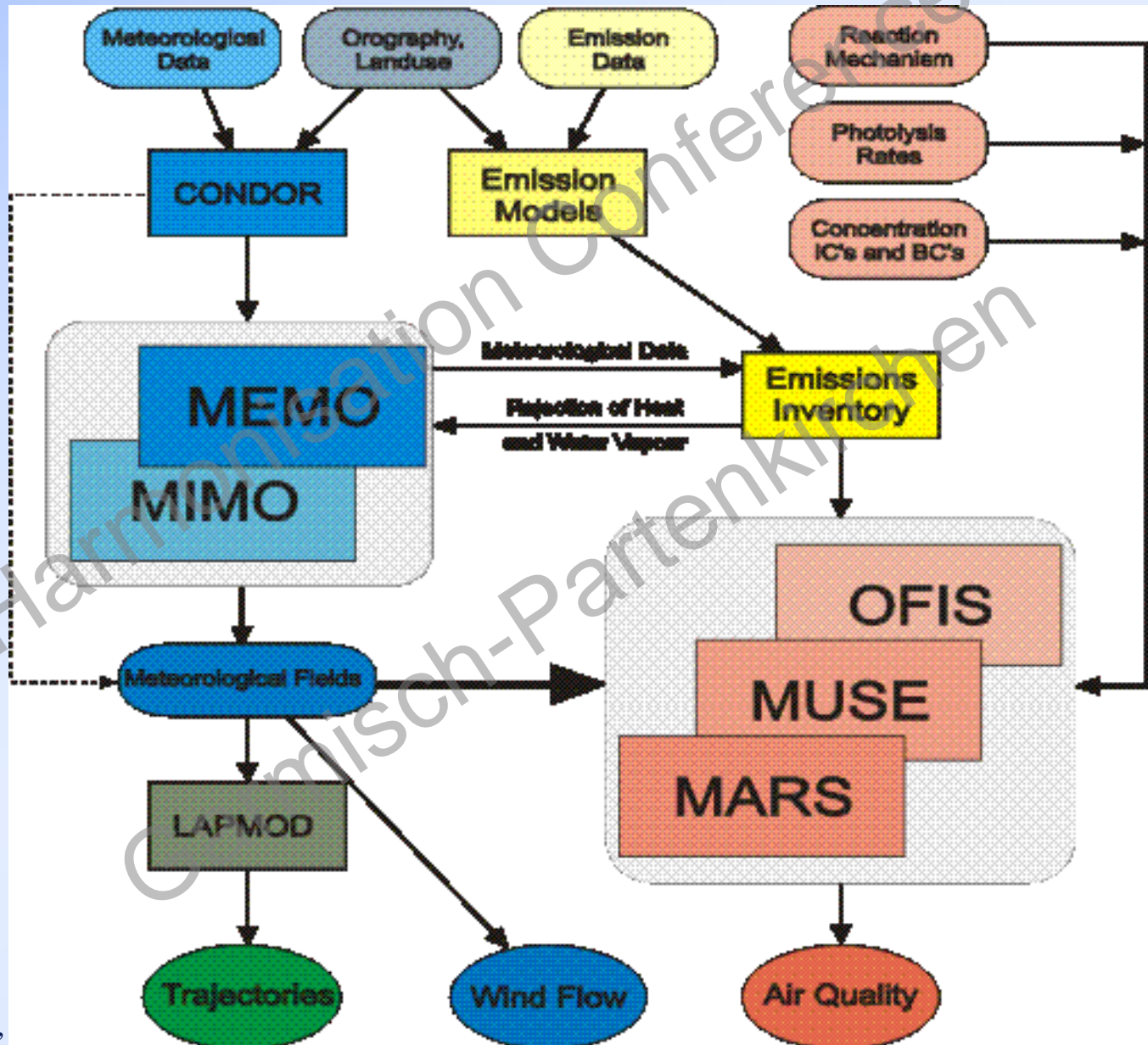
The Ozone Fine Structure (OFIS) model - Model features

- EMEP MSC-W and CBM-IV chemical mechanisms
- Two-mode aerosol module (log-normal distribution) assuming inorganics equilibrium between phases
- Advection discretised using an upwind scheme
- Mixing height and turbulent diffusivity estimated in a vertical column atmosphere/soil radiation budget model.
- Requires a computation time < 4 hours for a full year simulation on a P4 2.0 GHz CPU, being more than 70 times faster than the 3D model MUSE



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European Zooming Model (EZM) system





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- MUSE belongs to the EZM system
- 3D Numerical Model for the description of the dispersion and chemical transformation of pollutants
- Various chemistry mechanisms (EMEP/RACM/KOREM/CBM-IV)
- Coupled implicit treatment of vertical diffusion & chemistry
- Domain extension: 150×150 km (5km resolution)



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Latest OFIS improvements

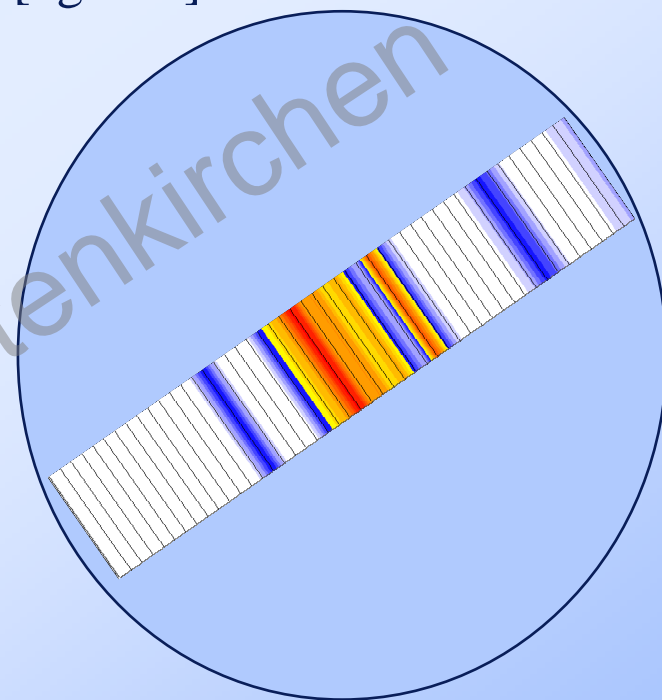
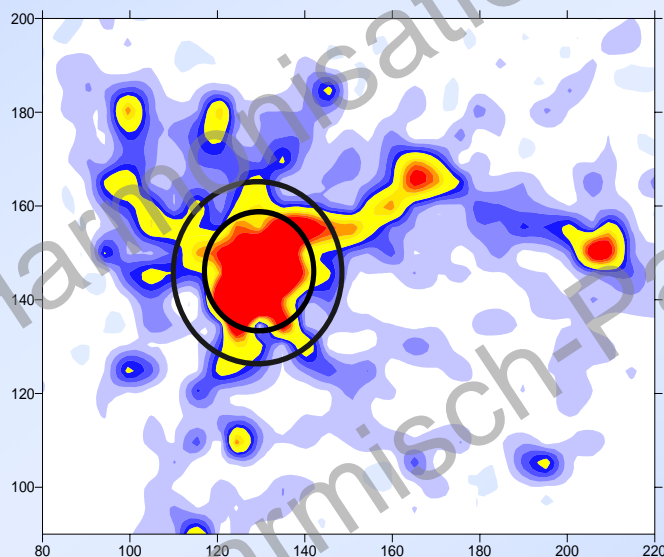
- Capability for use of gridded emissions inventories, besides the default disaggregated ones
- 3-hourly values are used for the meteorological and boundary conditions input, performing a 5 hour run for each 3-hour frame
- Aerodynamic resistance approach to parameterise dry deposition for gases and particles
- Use of an appropriate parameterisation for wet removal of gases and particles (Scott, 1979)
- Biogenic emissions calculated according to land use



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OFIS – Geographical emission distribution used for Milan

NO_x emissions for 5th of May, 8:00 am, [kg/km²]





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CityDelta Phase II

- Four cities considered (Berlin, Milan, Paris and Prague), domains as in phase I
- Meteorology as in CD phase I
- At the regional scale, revised emission fields with validated gridded distributions of sectoral emissions
- Background boundary conditions for 1999, also for the emission control scenarios
- Base case is 2000 and seven (7) scenarios for 2010 are studied



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Model application

- OFIS was applied to study pollution levels for the cities of Milan, Paris, Berlin and Prague
- Both boundary conditions and emissions data were provided by CityDelta
- Meteorological data used originated from the ALADIN project



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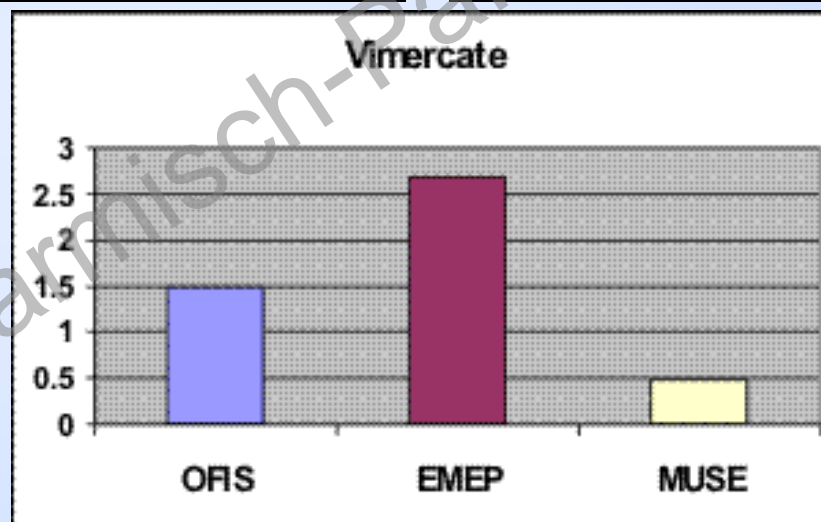
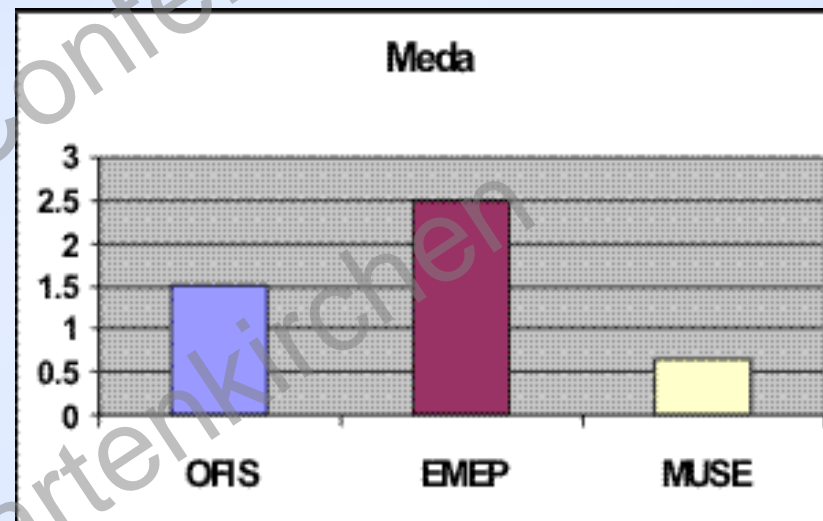
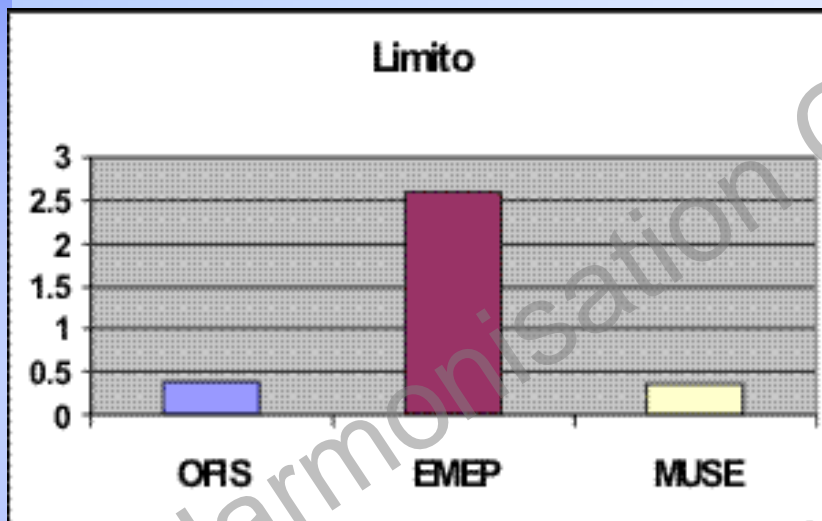


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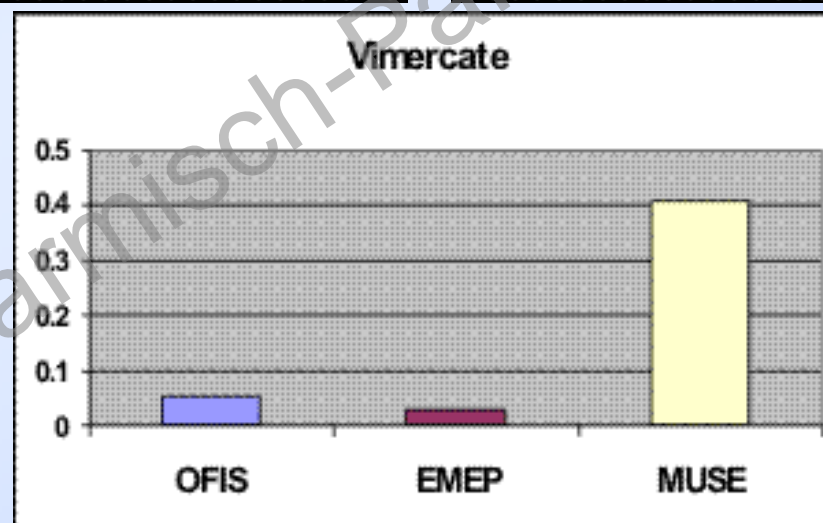
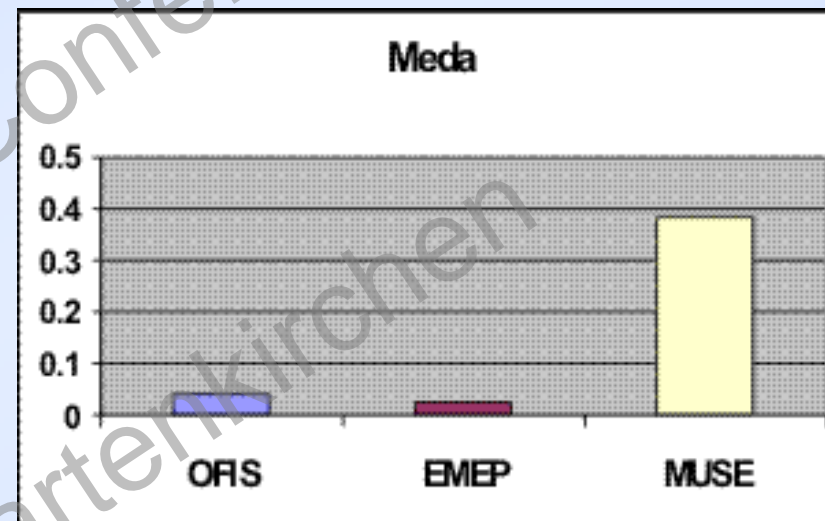
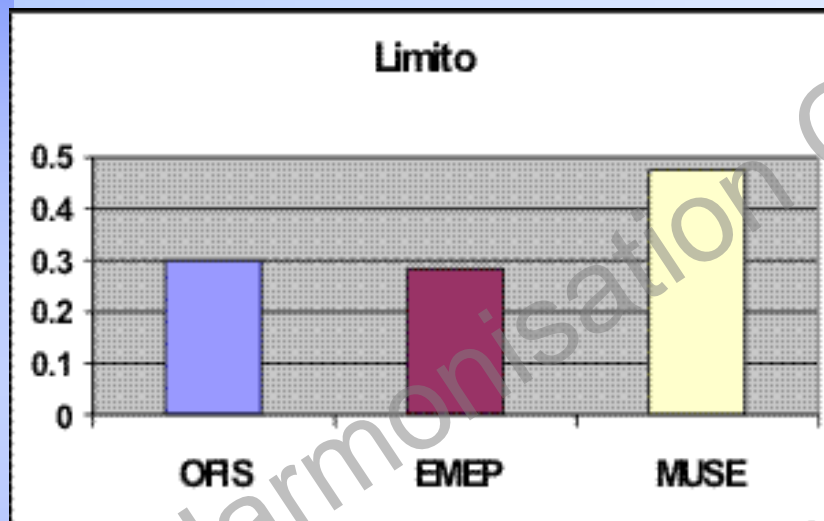


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Correlation coefficient



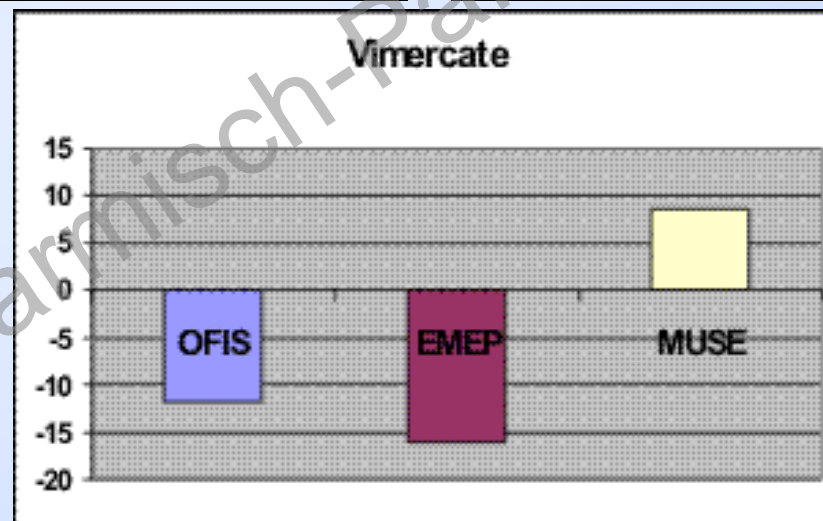
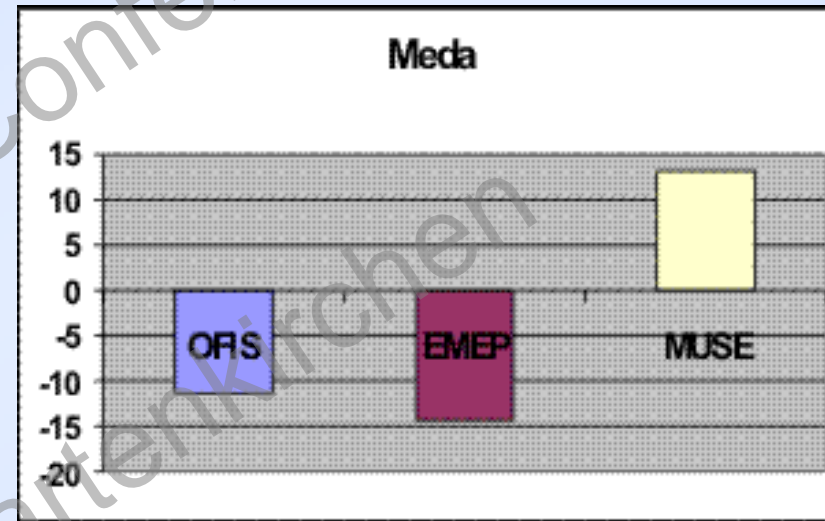
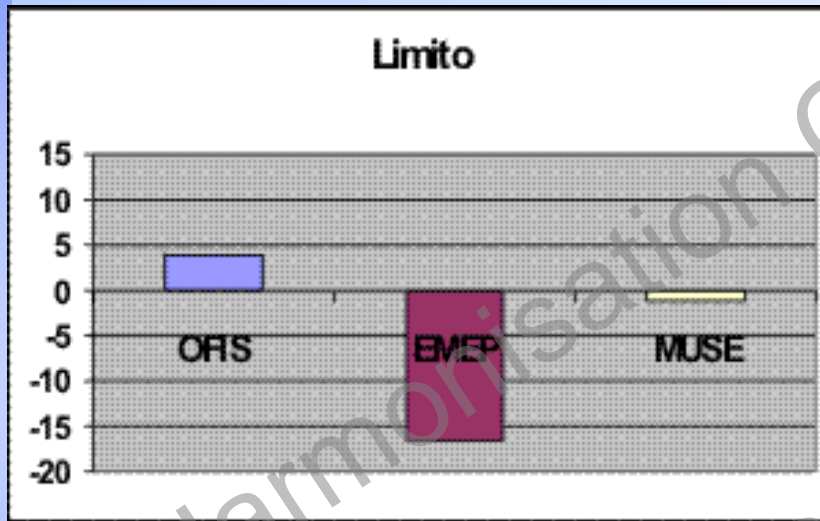


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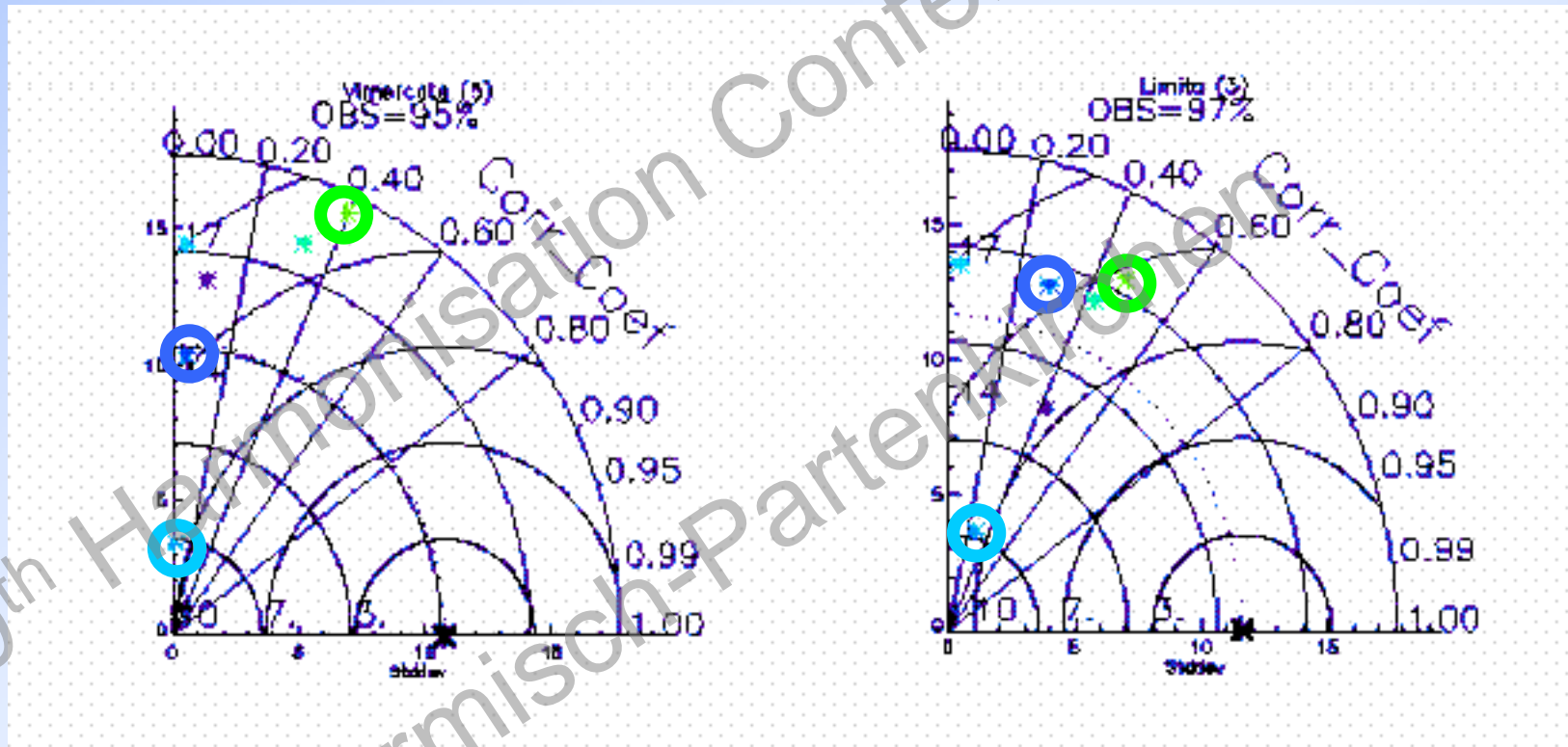


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Taylor diagram



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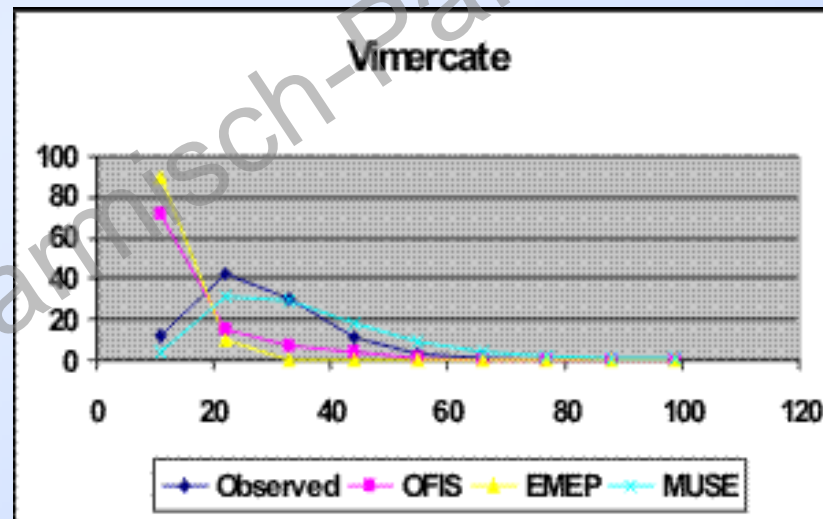
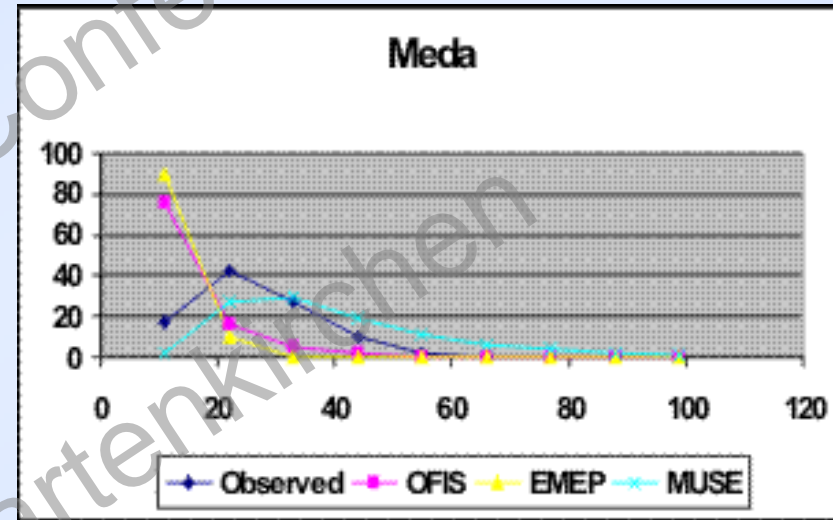
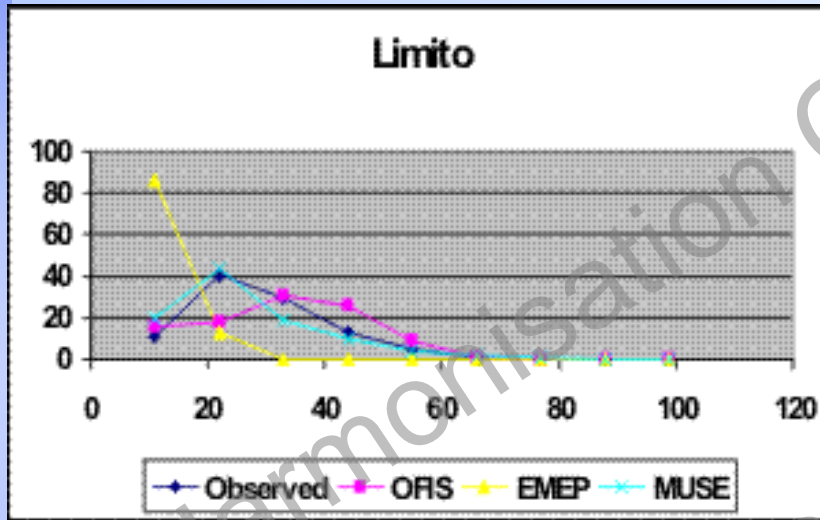


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Frequencies diagram



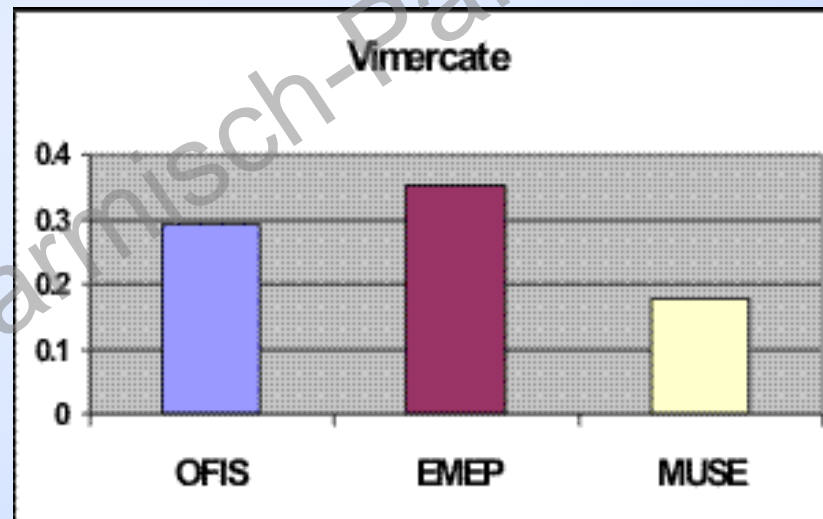
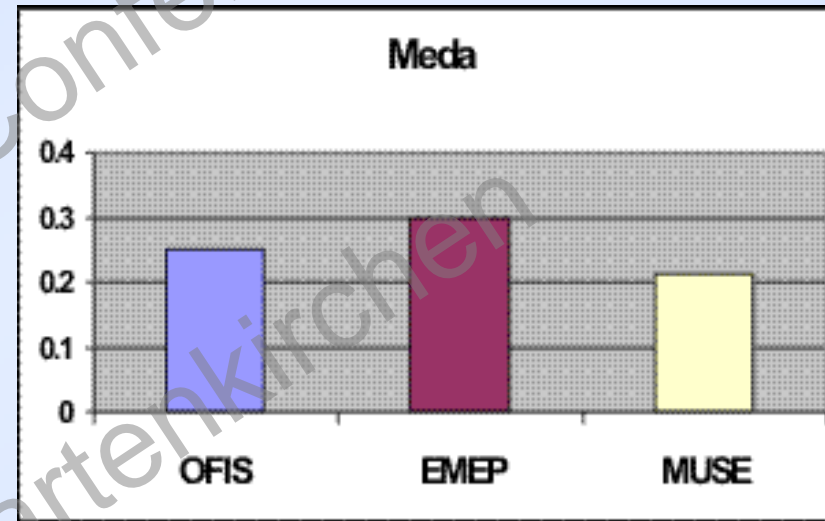
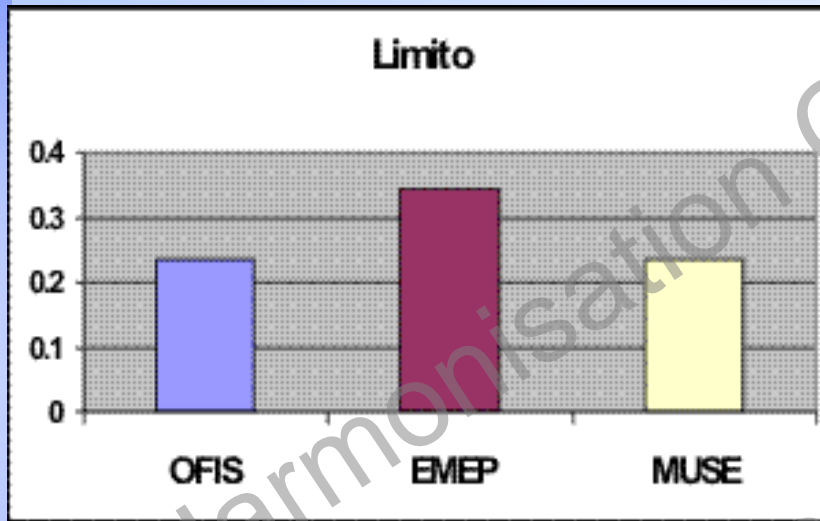


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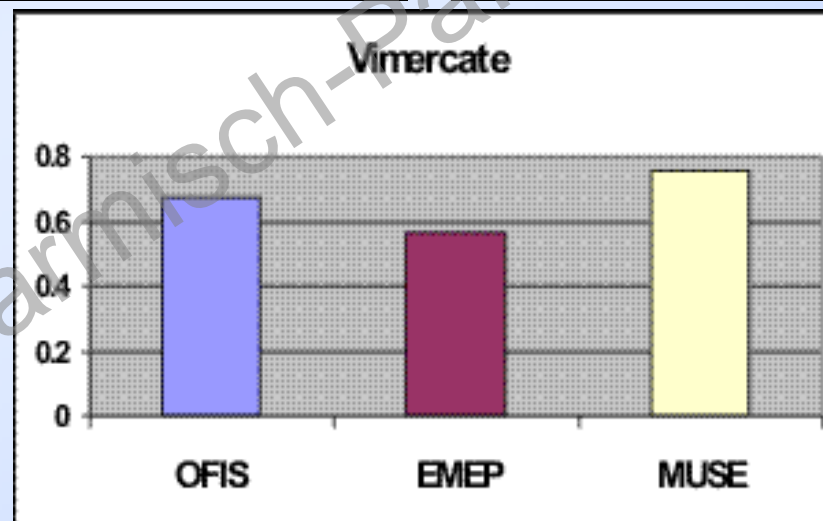
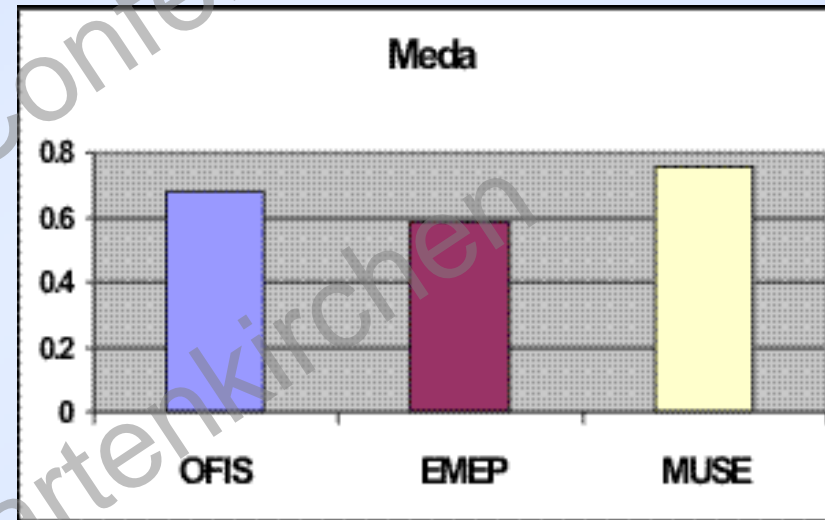
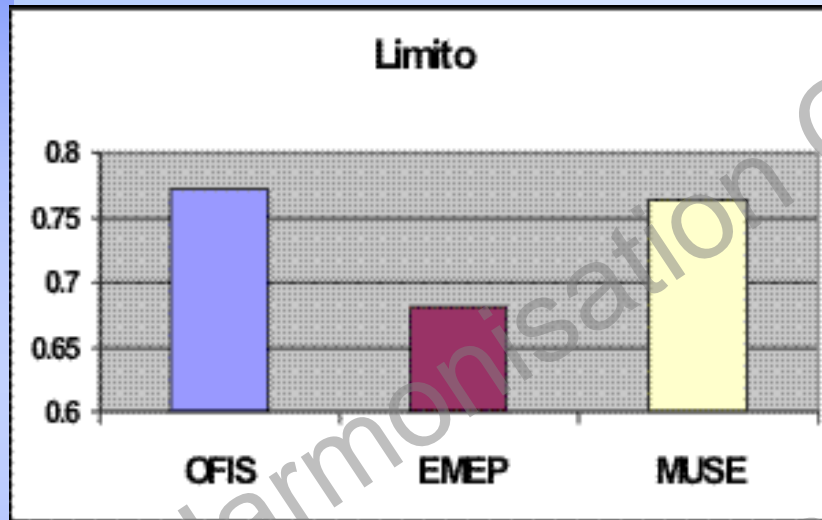


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Correlation coefficient



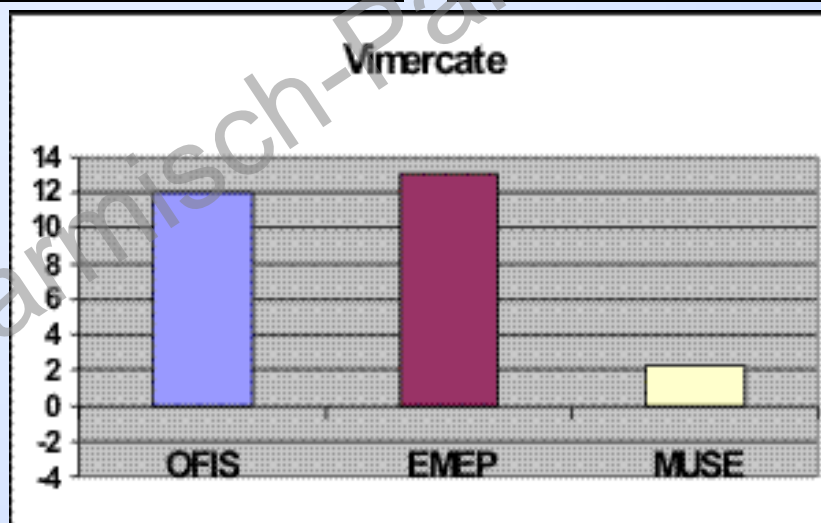
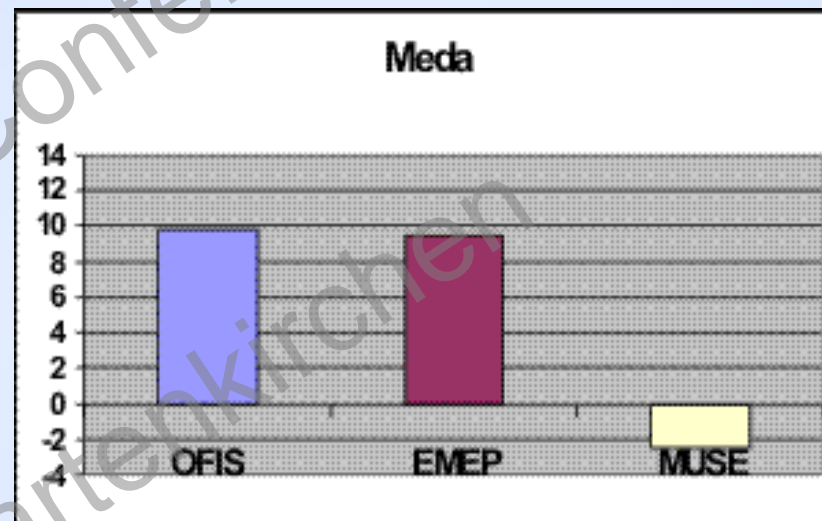
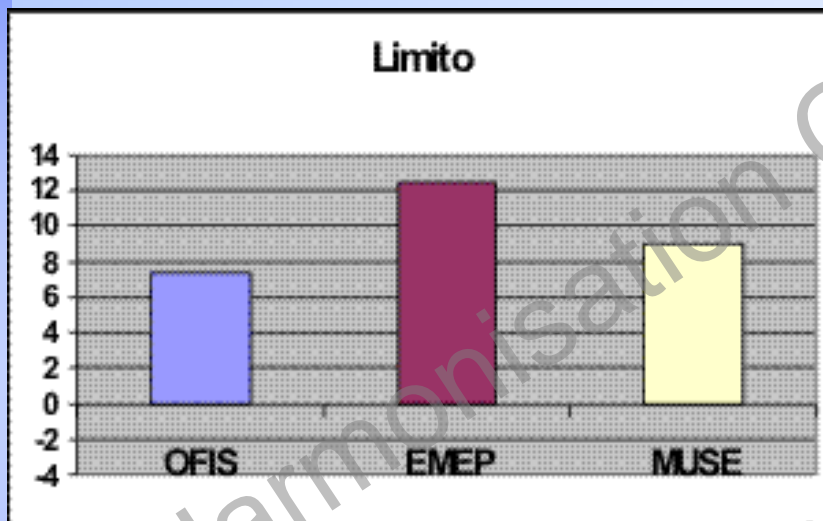


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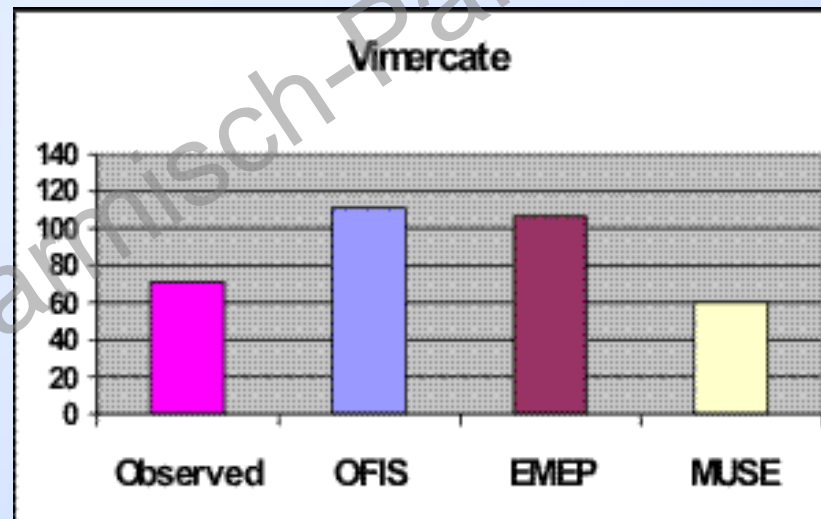
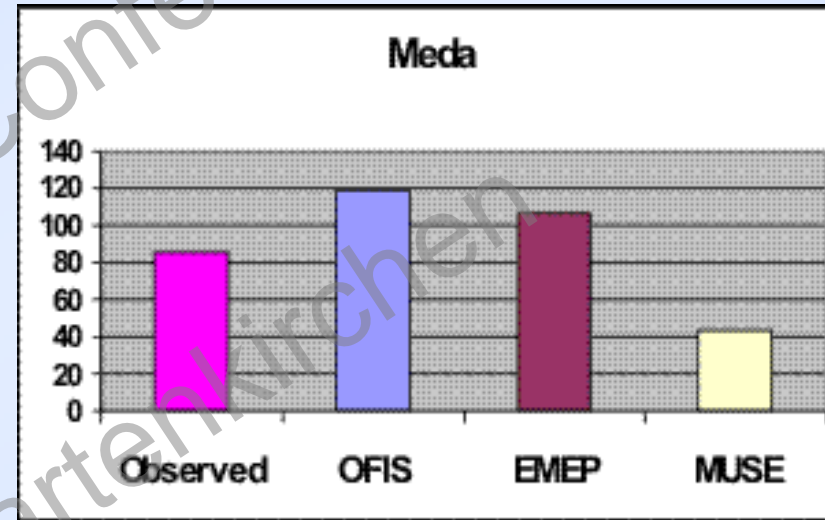
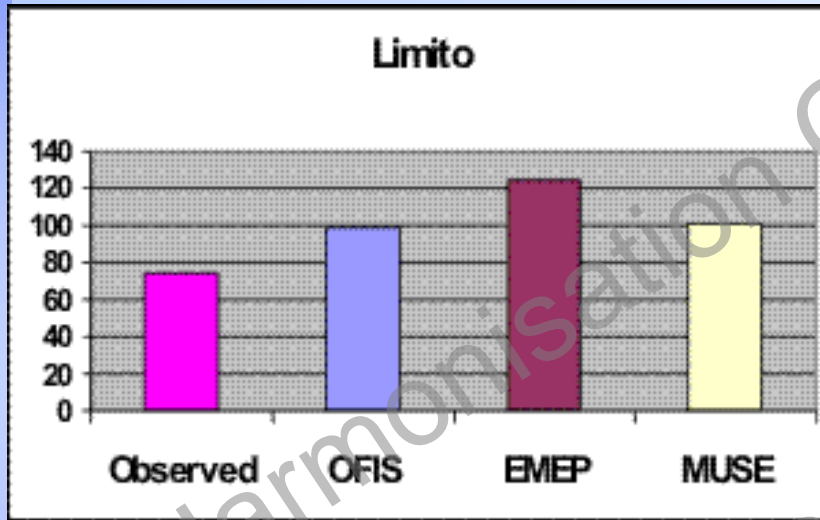


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Exceedance days (120 µg/m³)



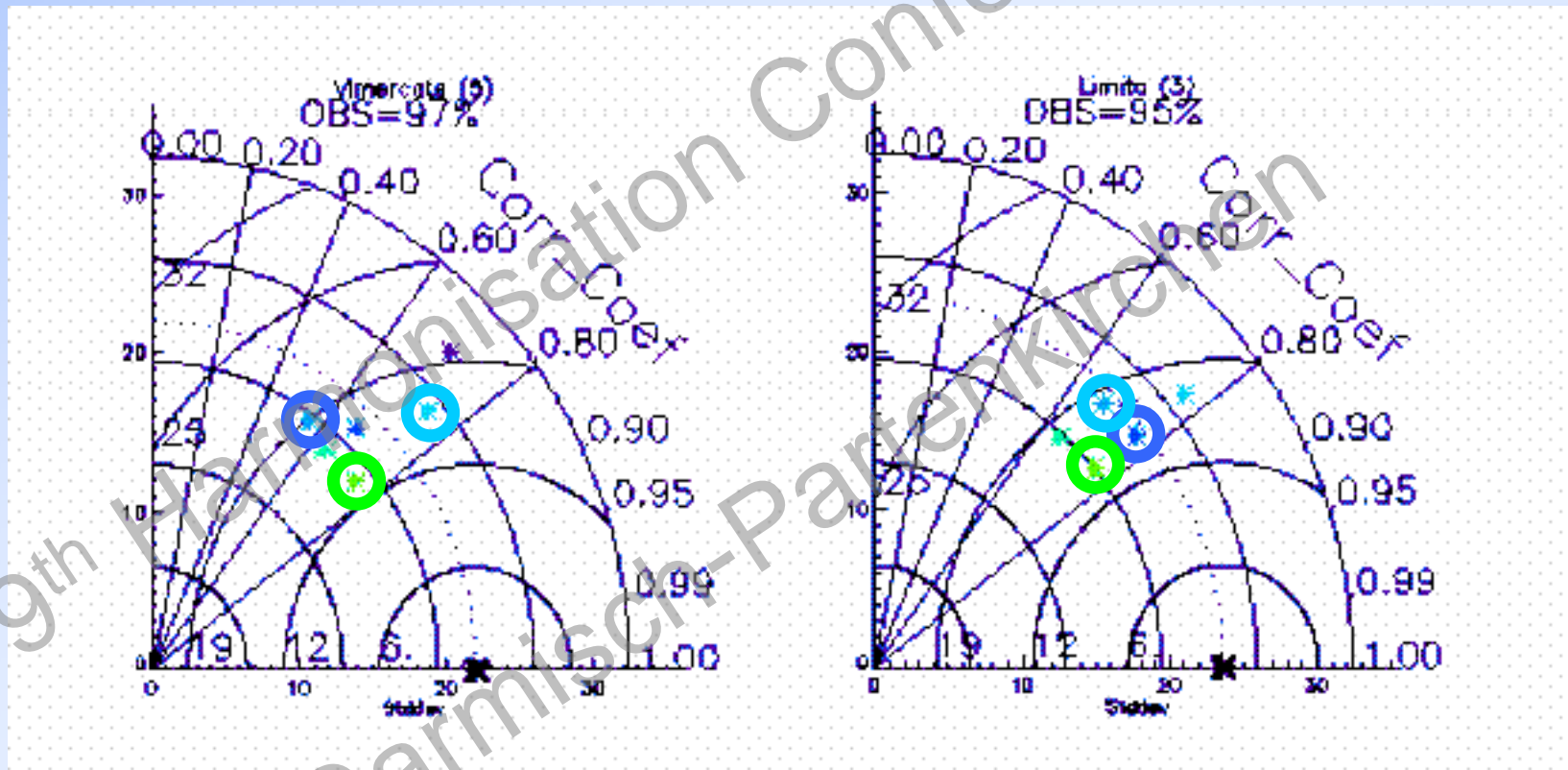


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Taylor diagram



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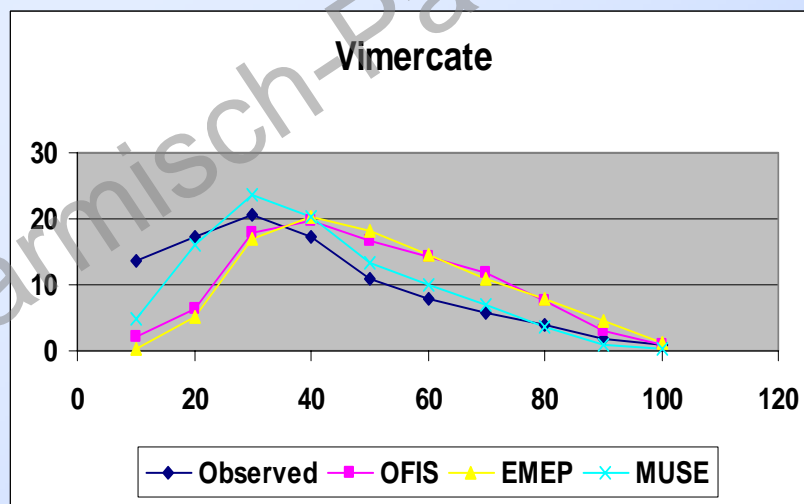
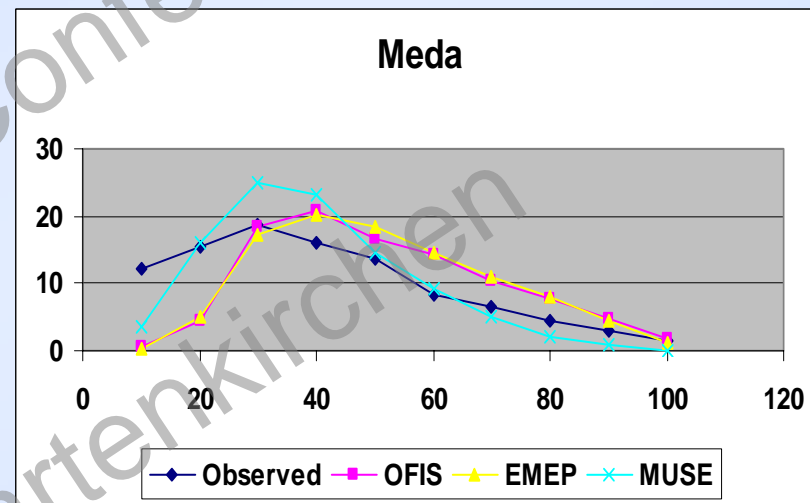
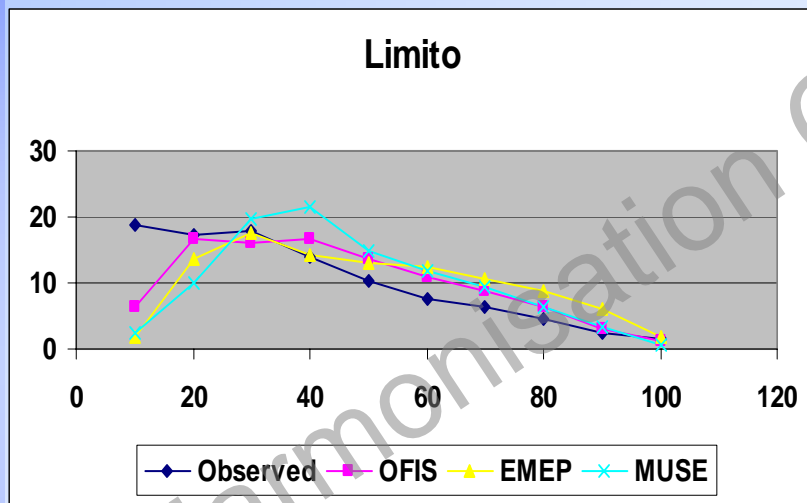


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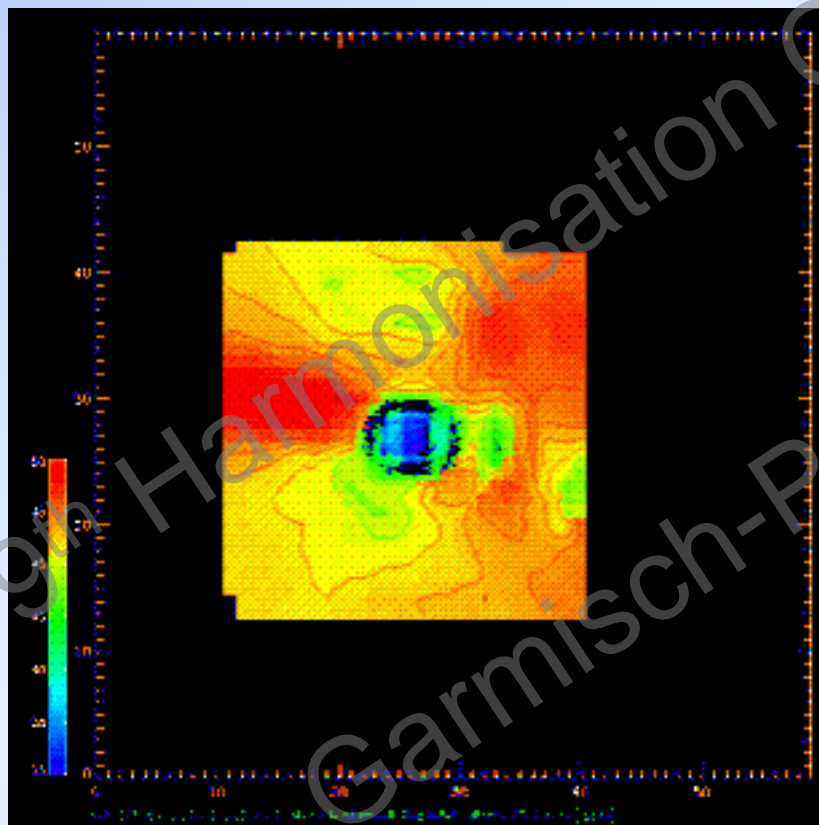
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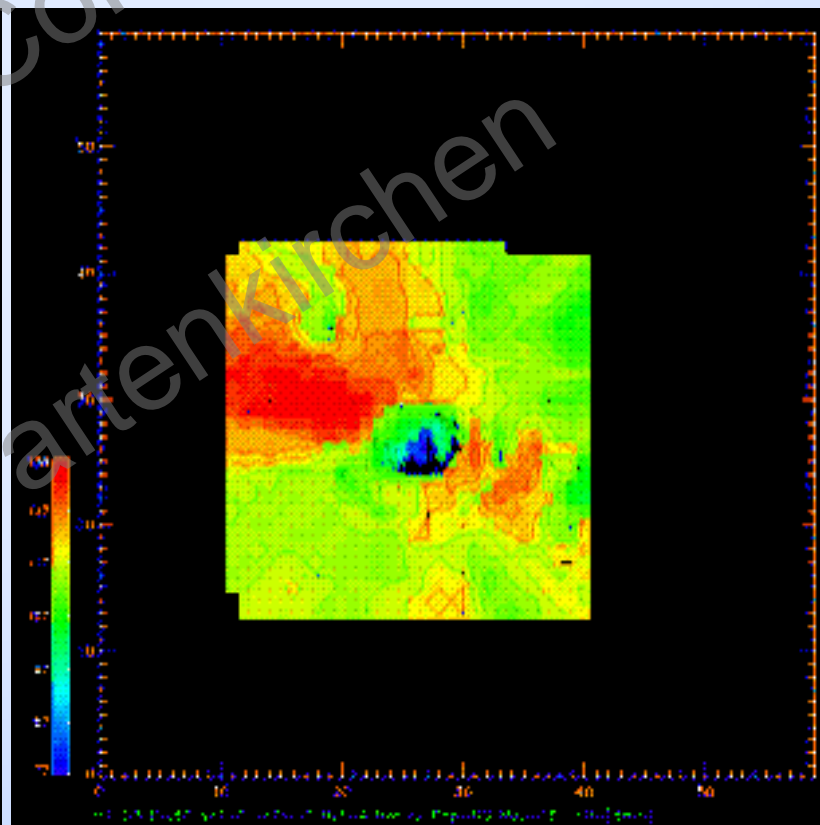


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6-month average



Exceedance days

Garmisch, 1 June 2004



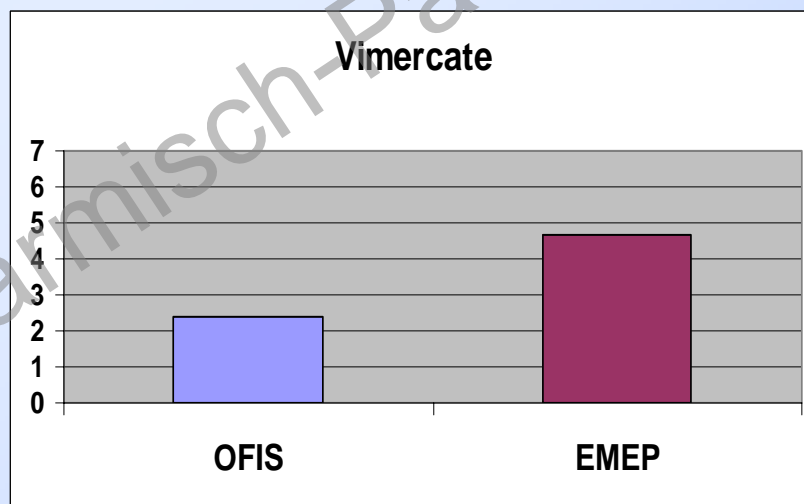
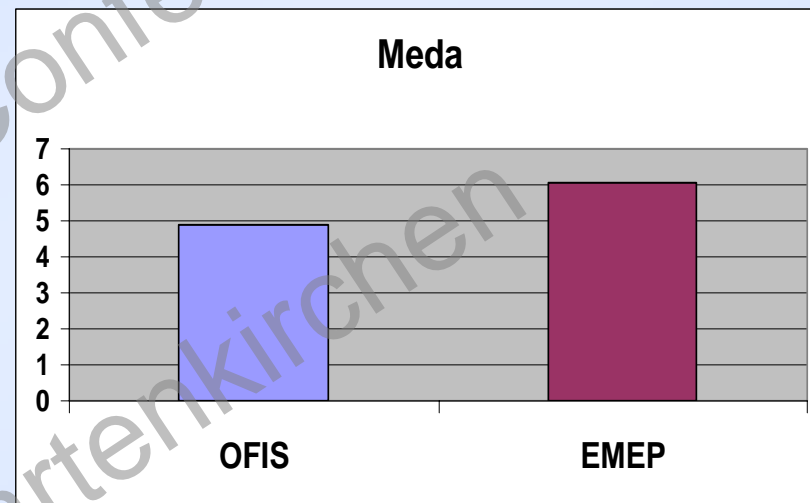
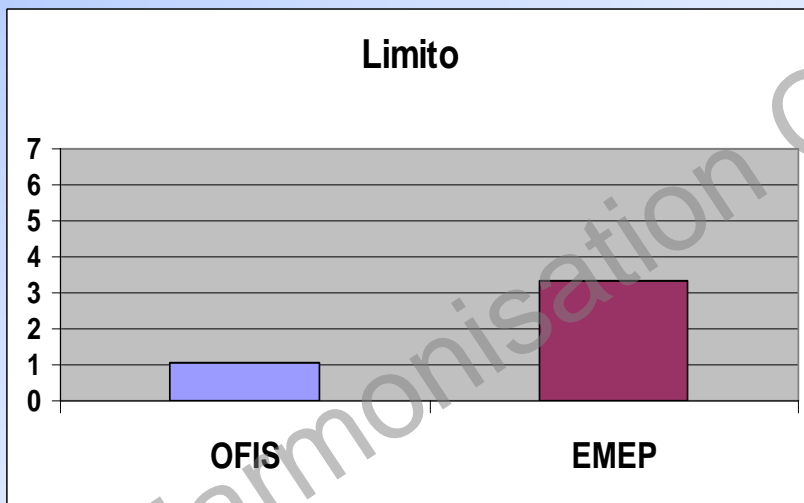
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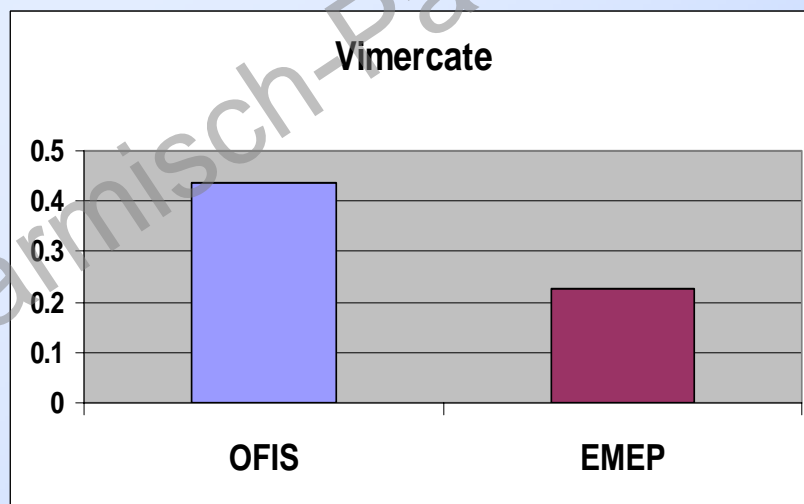
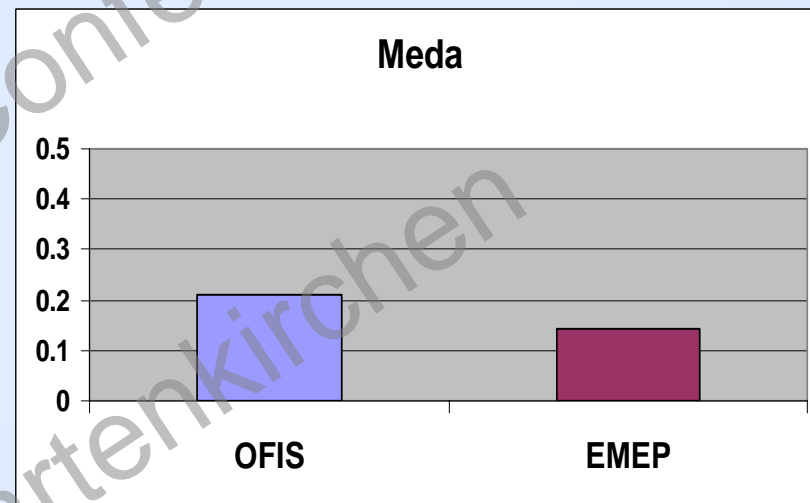
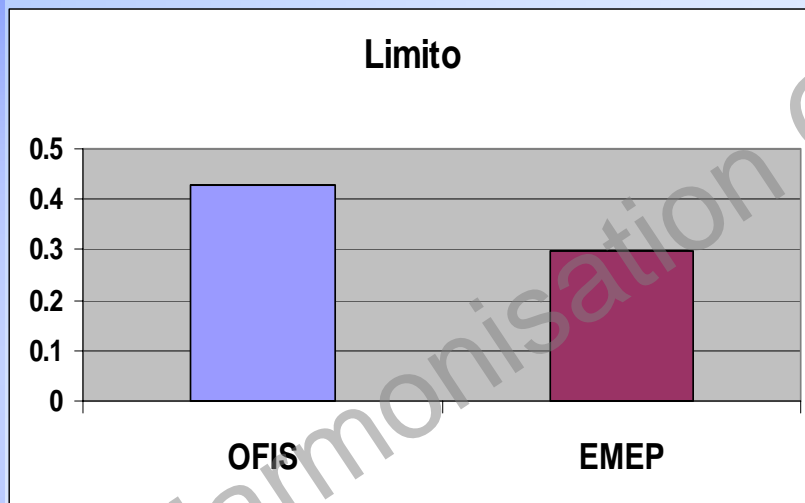
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Correlation coefficient





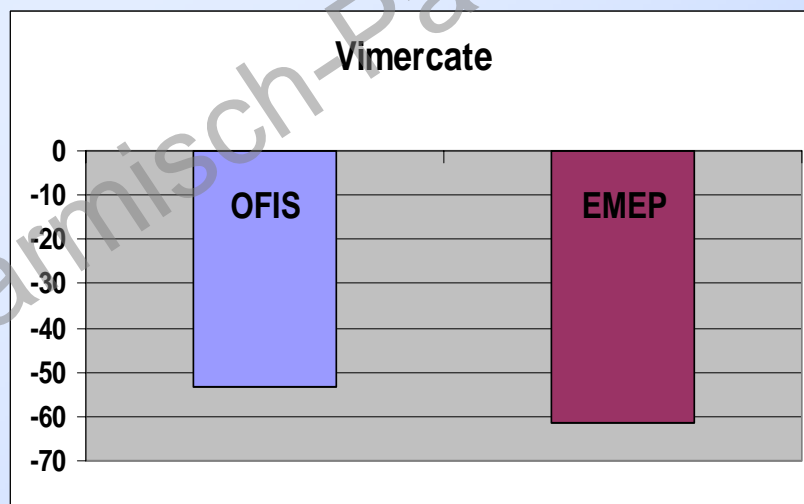
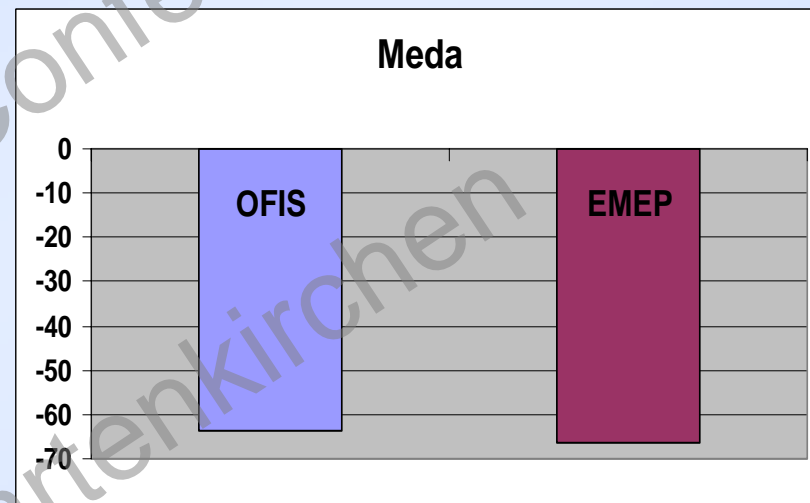
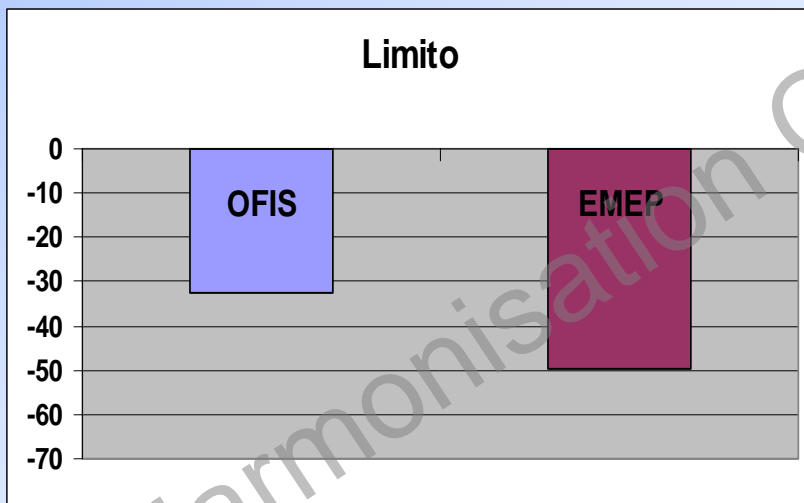
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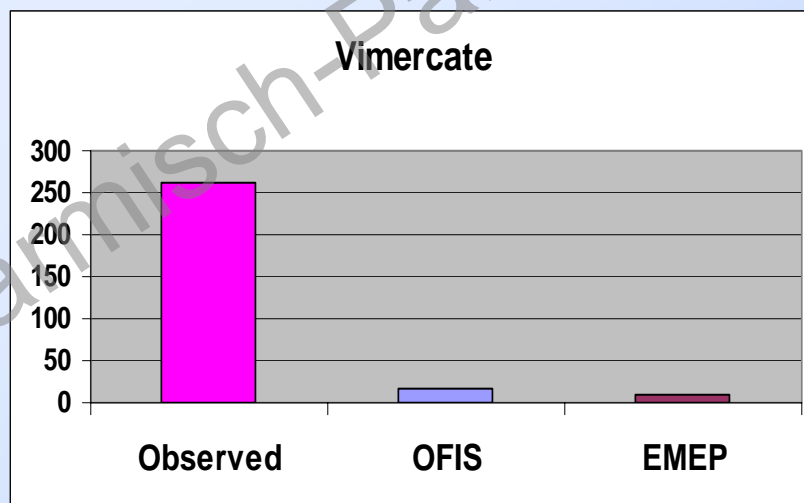
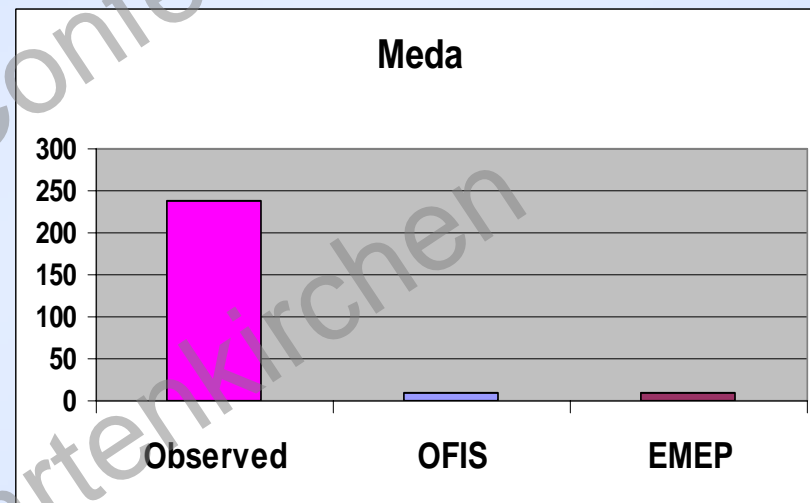
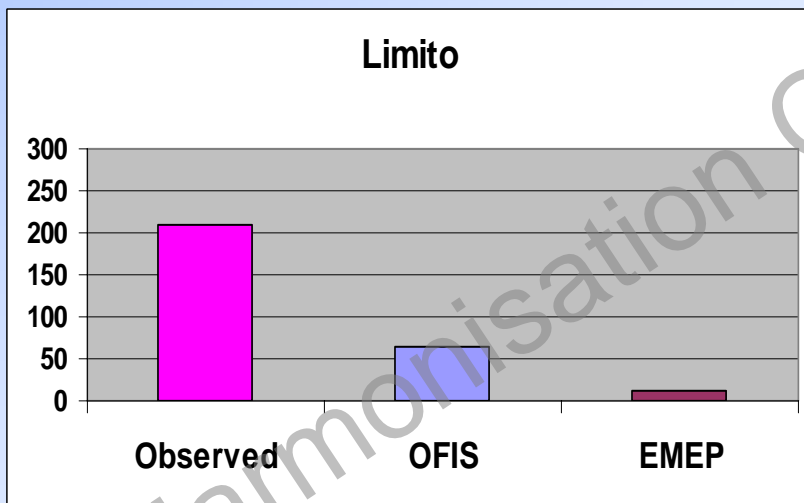
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Exceedance days (50 µg/m³)





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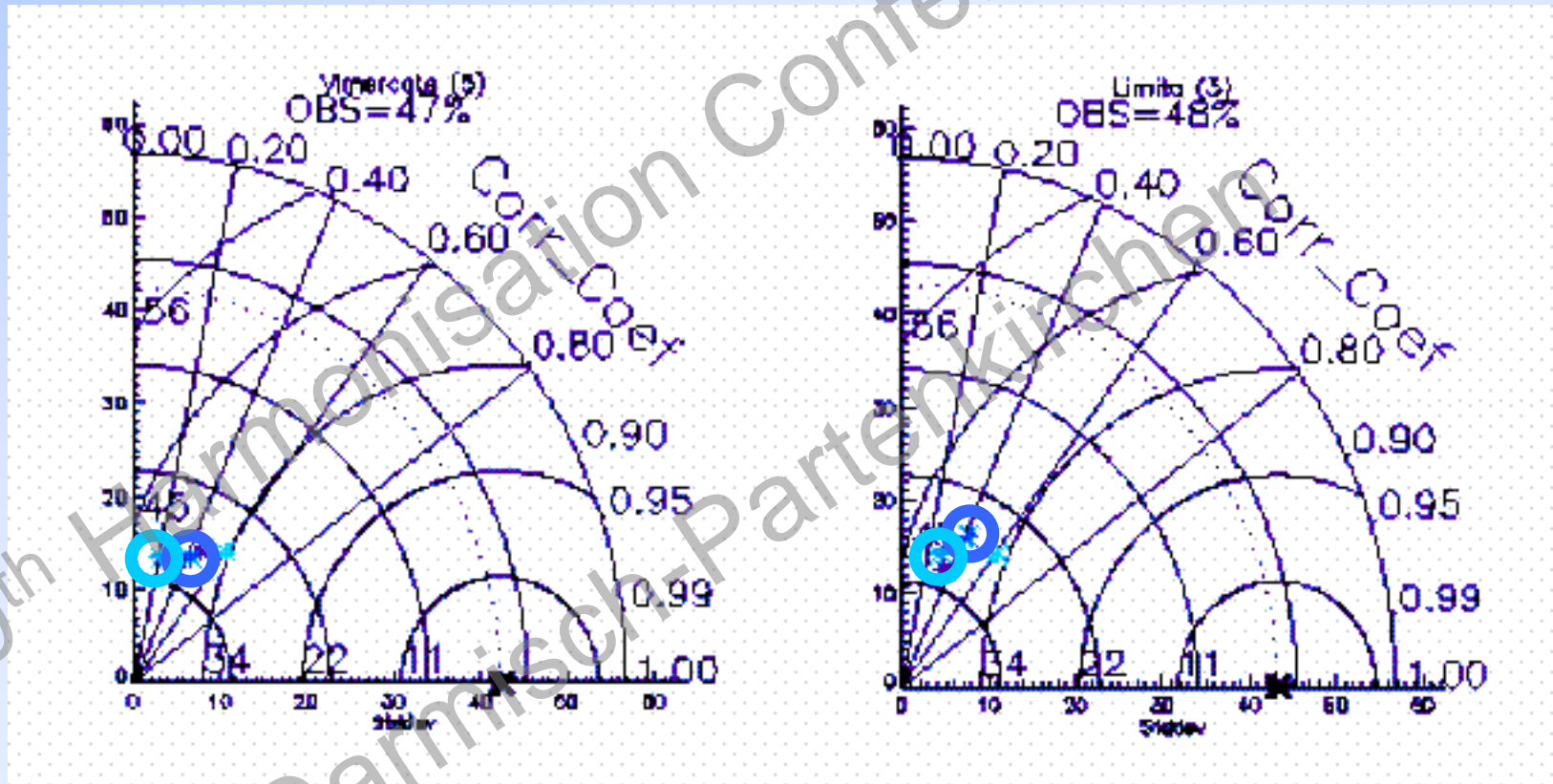
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Taylor diagram



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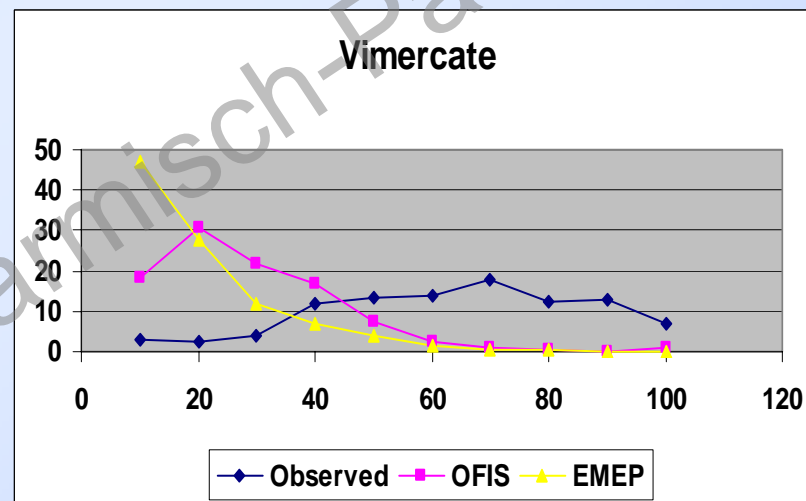
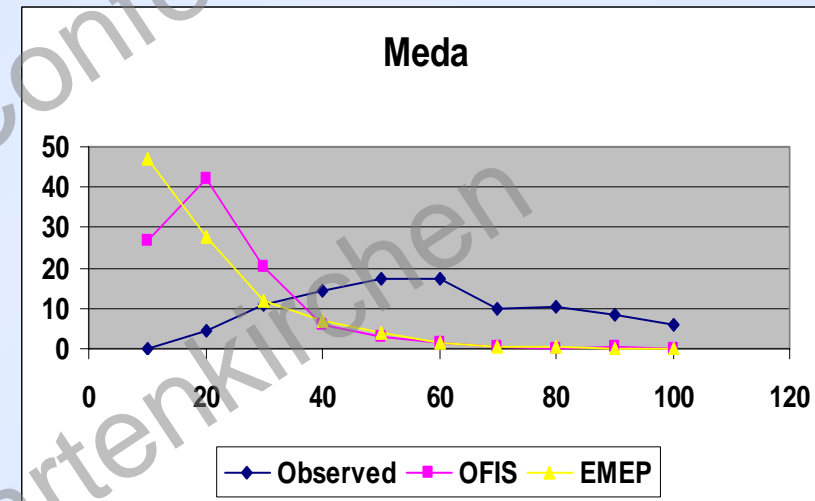
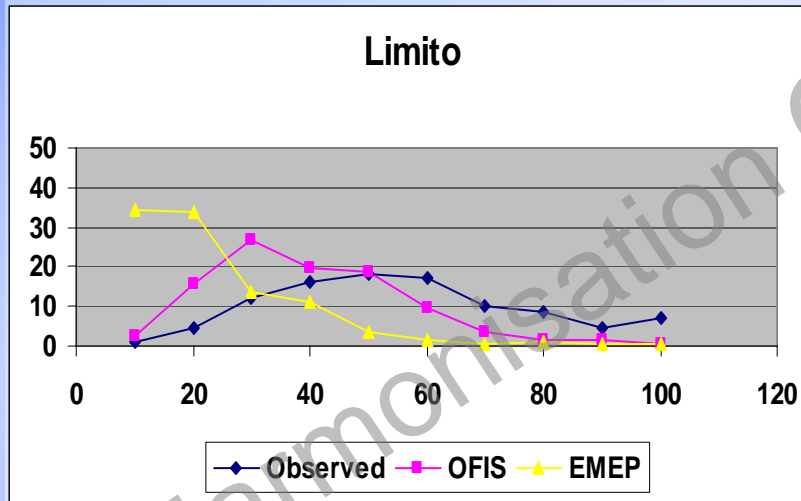
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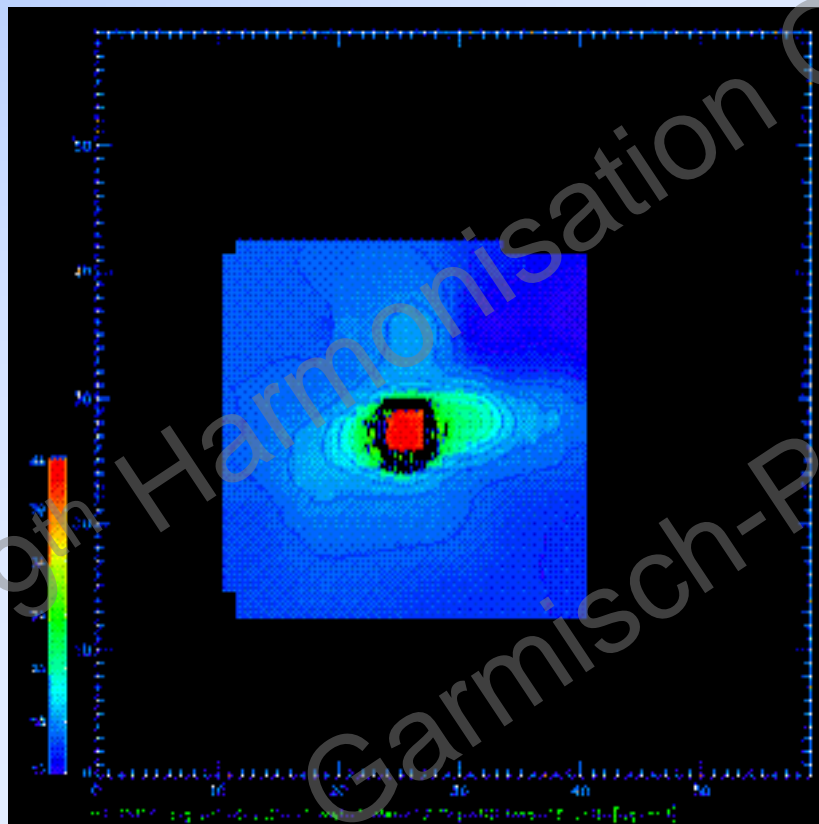
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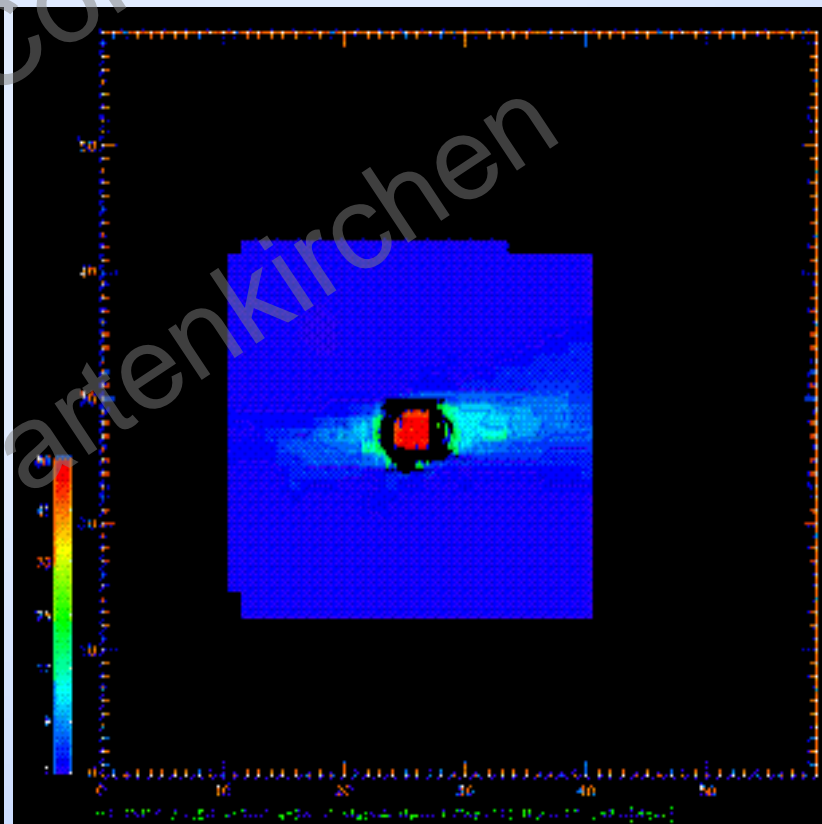


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1-year average

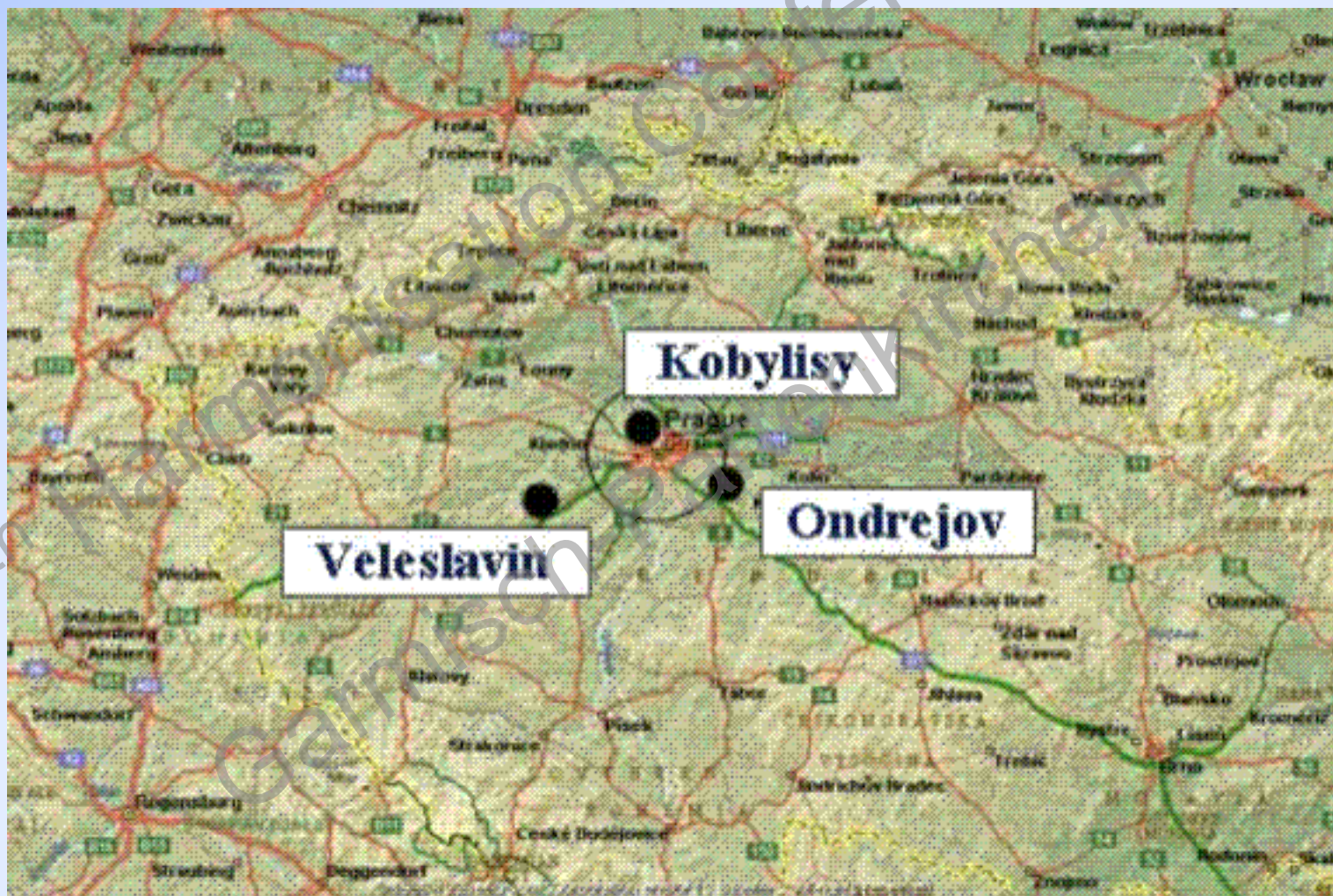


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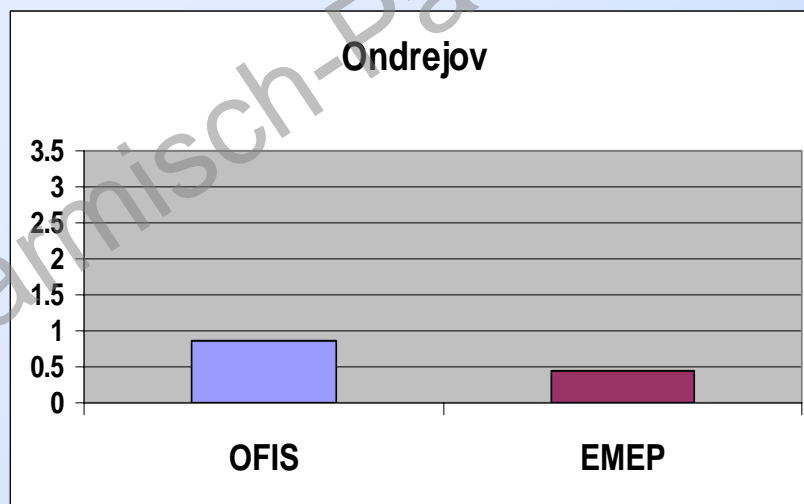
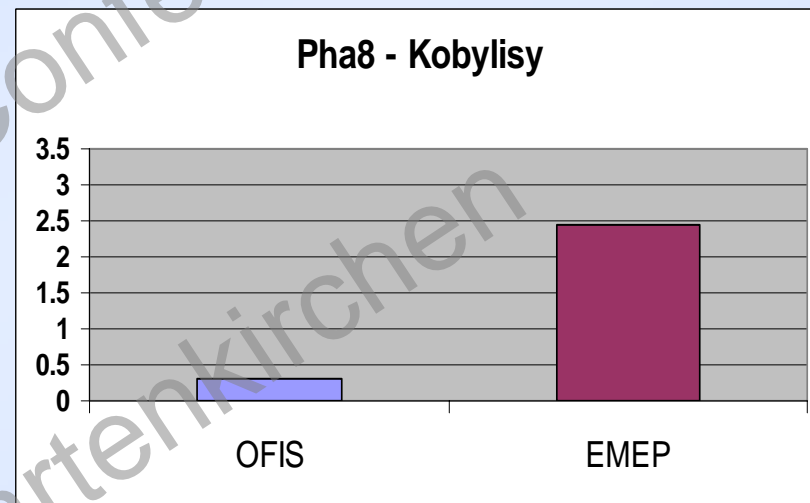
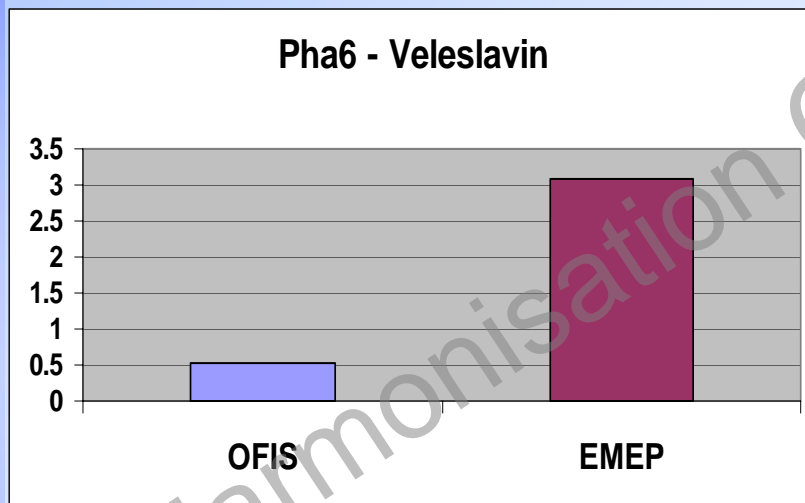
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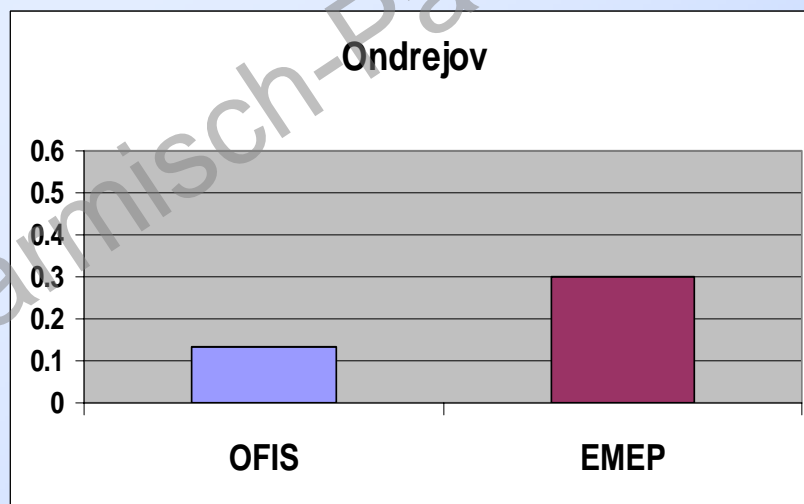
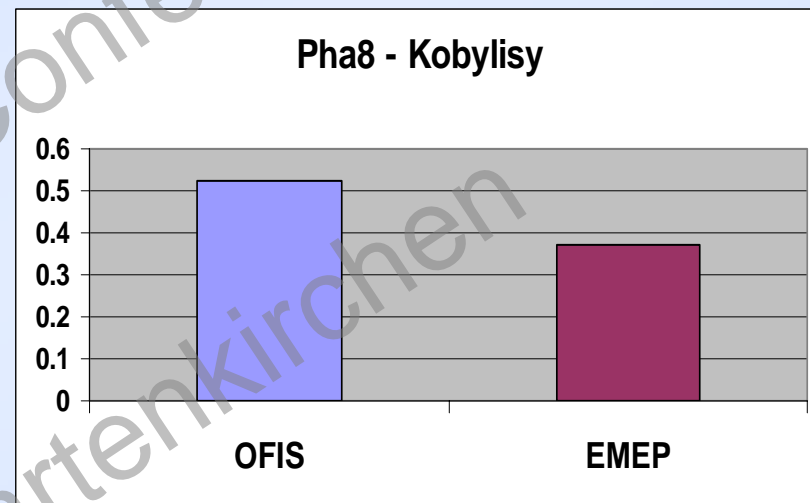
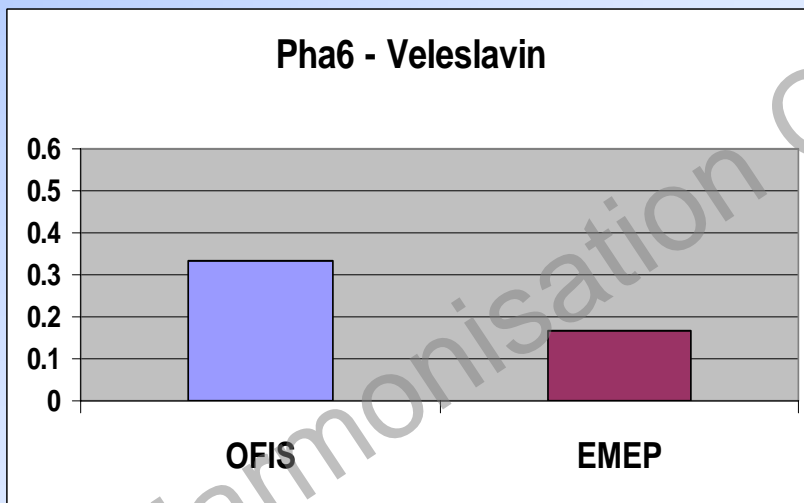
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Correlation coefficient





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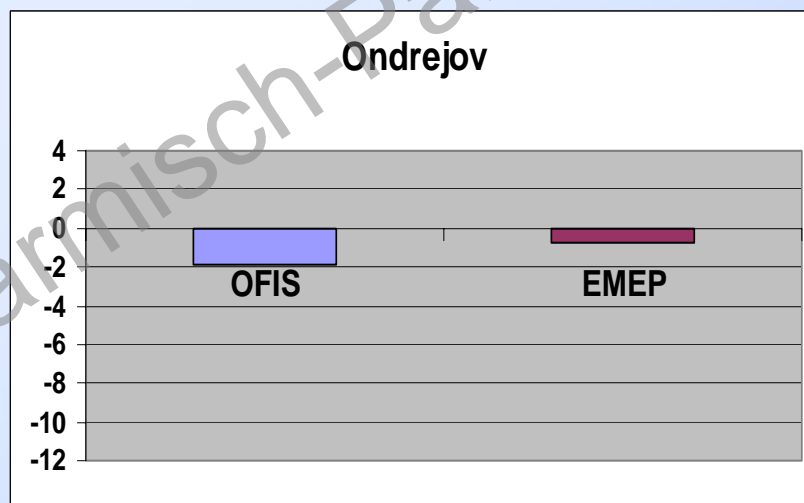
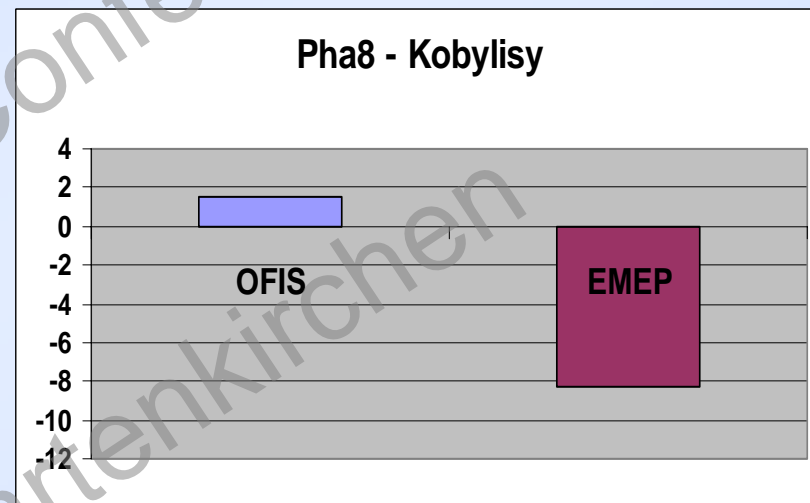
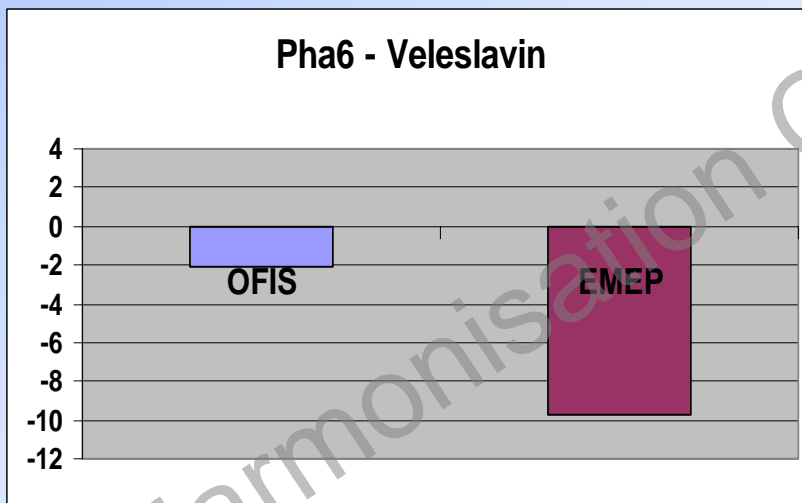
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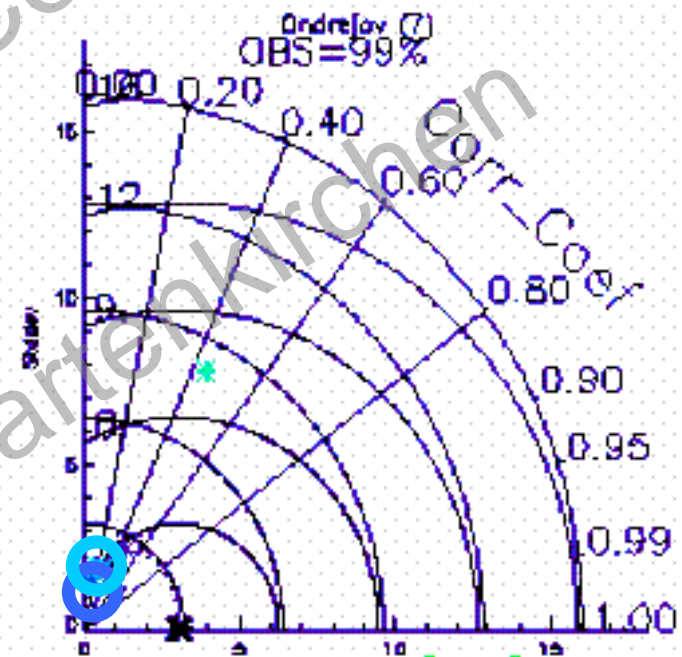
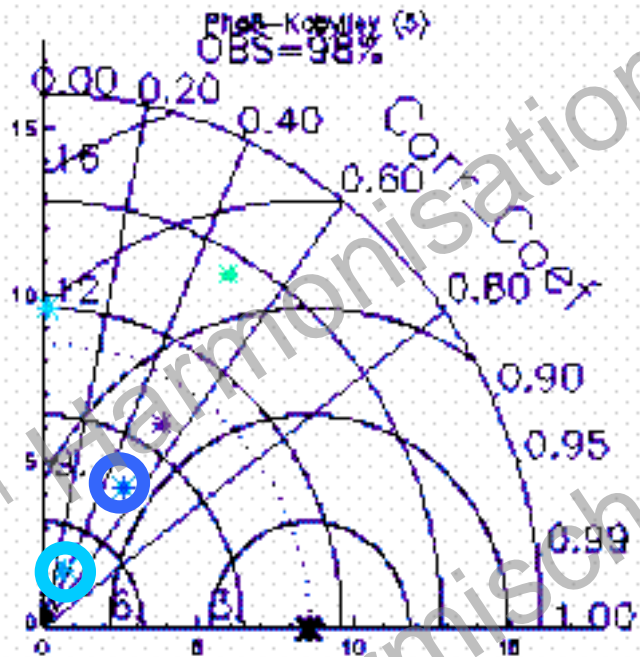
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Taylor diagram



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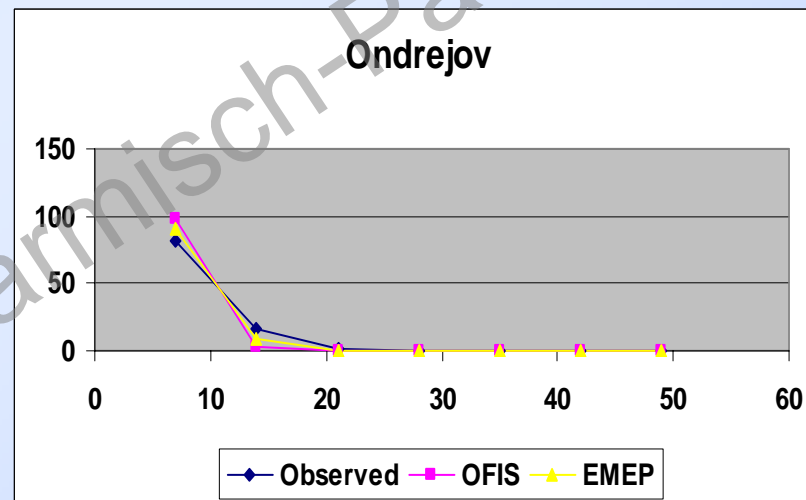
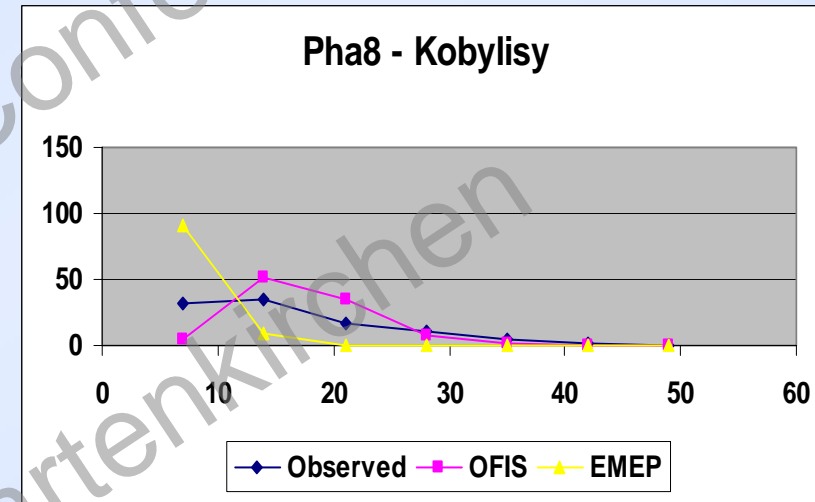
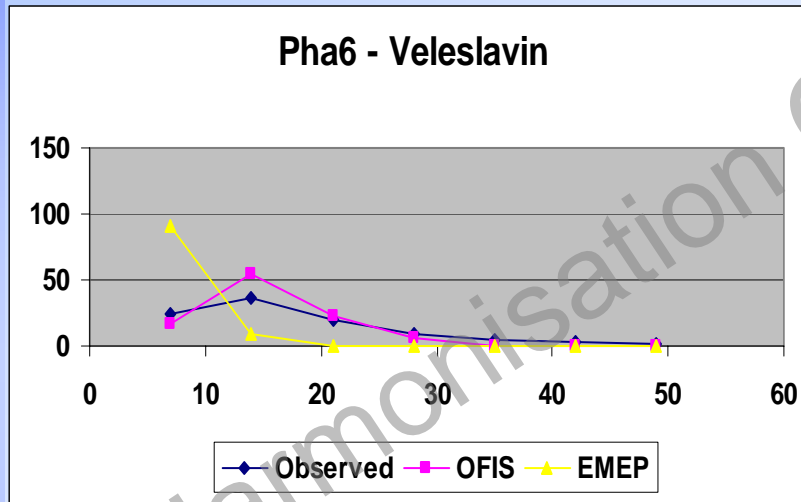
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Frequencies diagram





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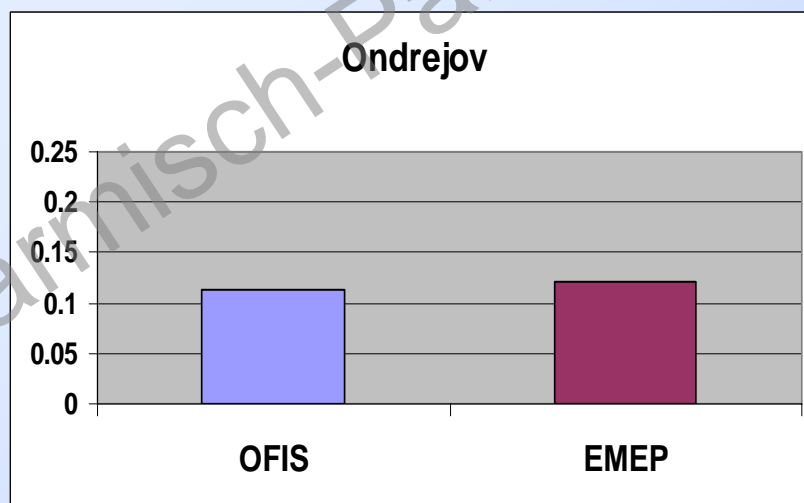
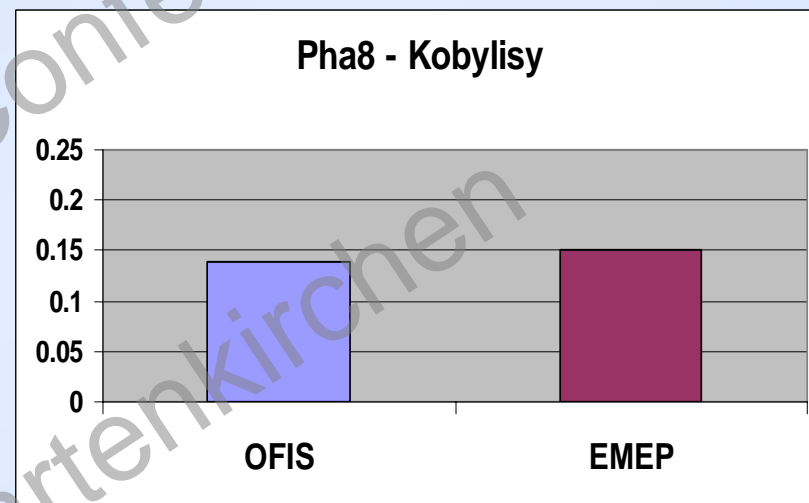
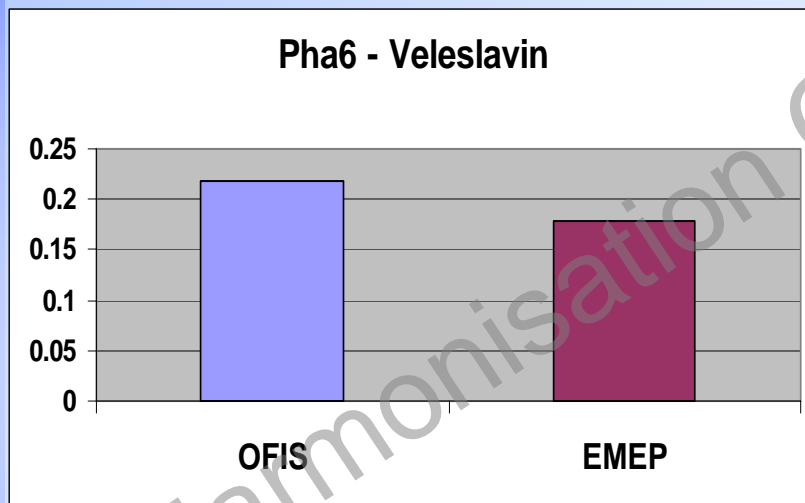
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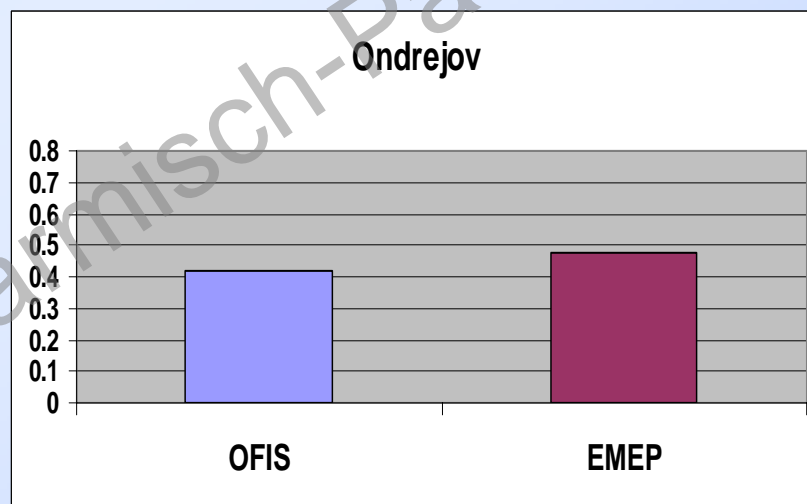
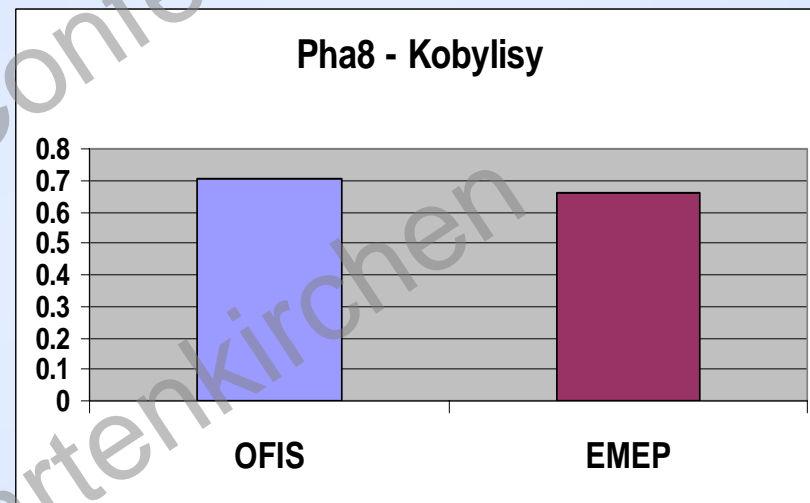
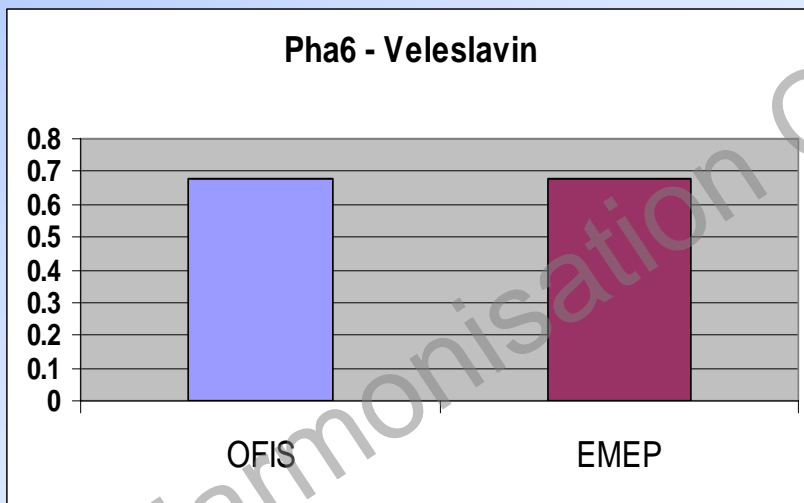
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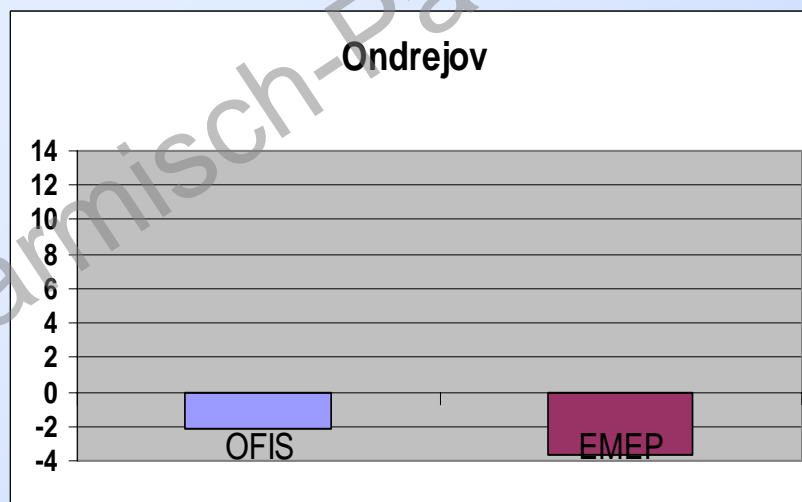
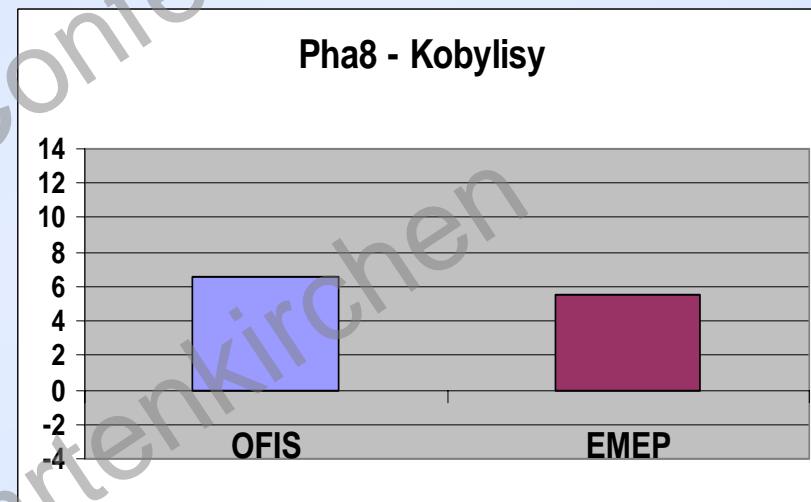
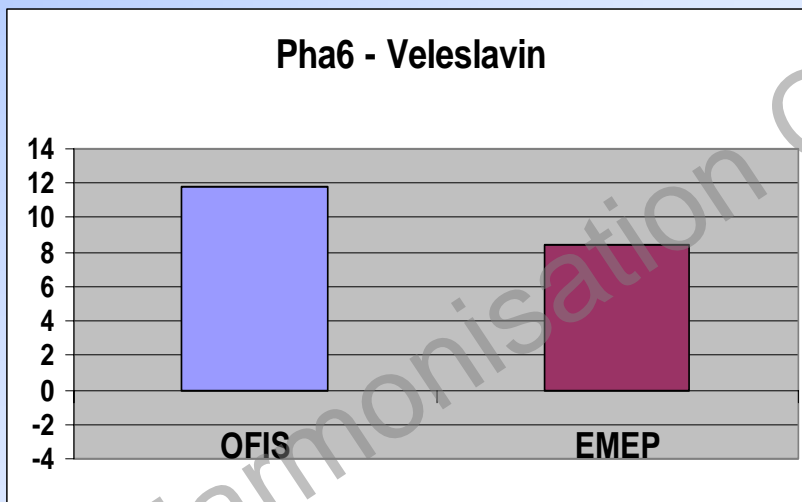
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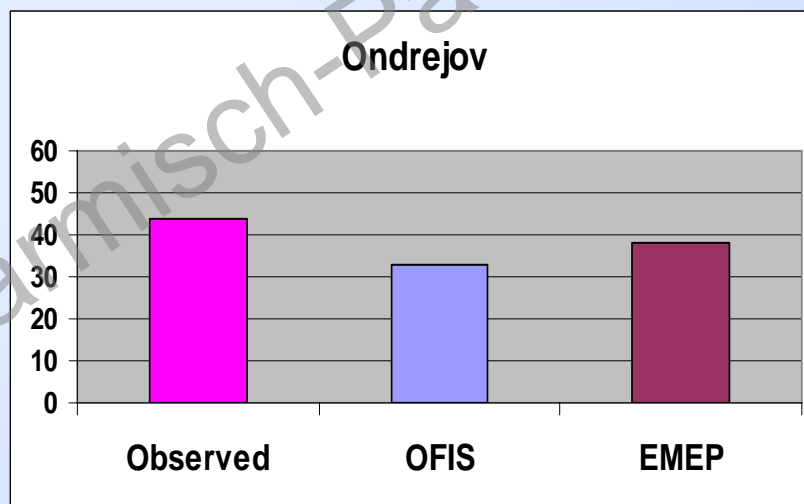
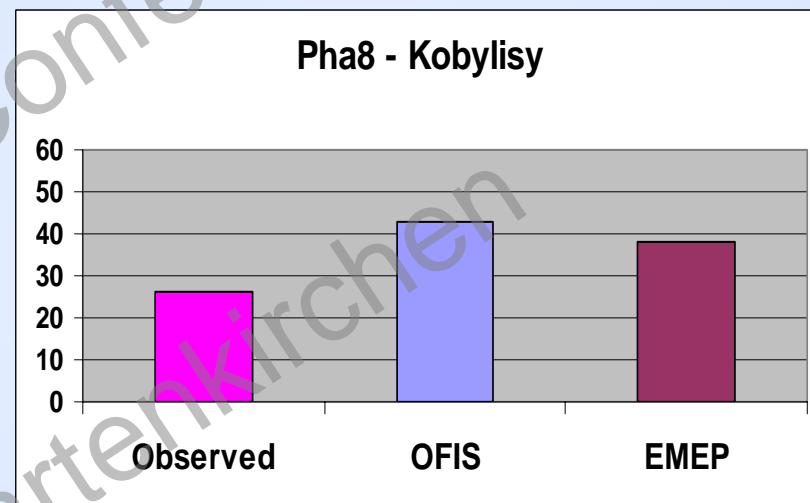
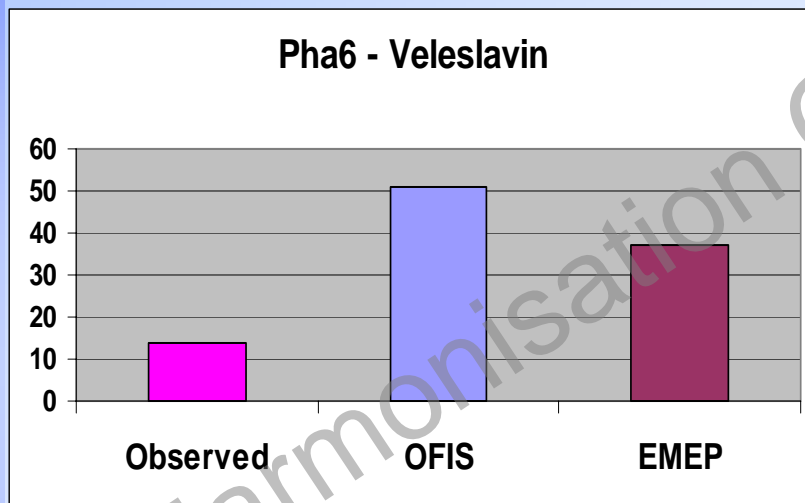
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Exceedance days (120 µg/m³)





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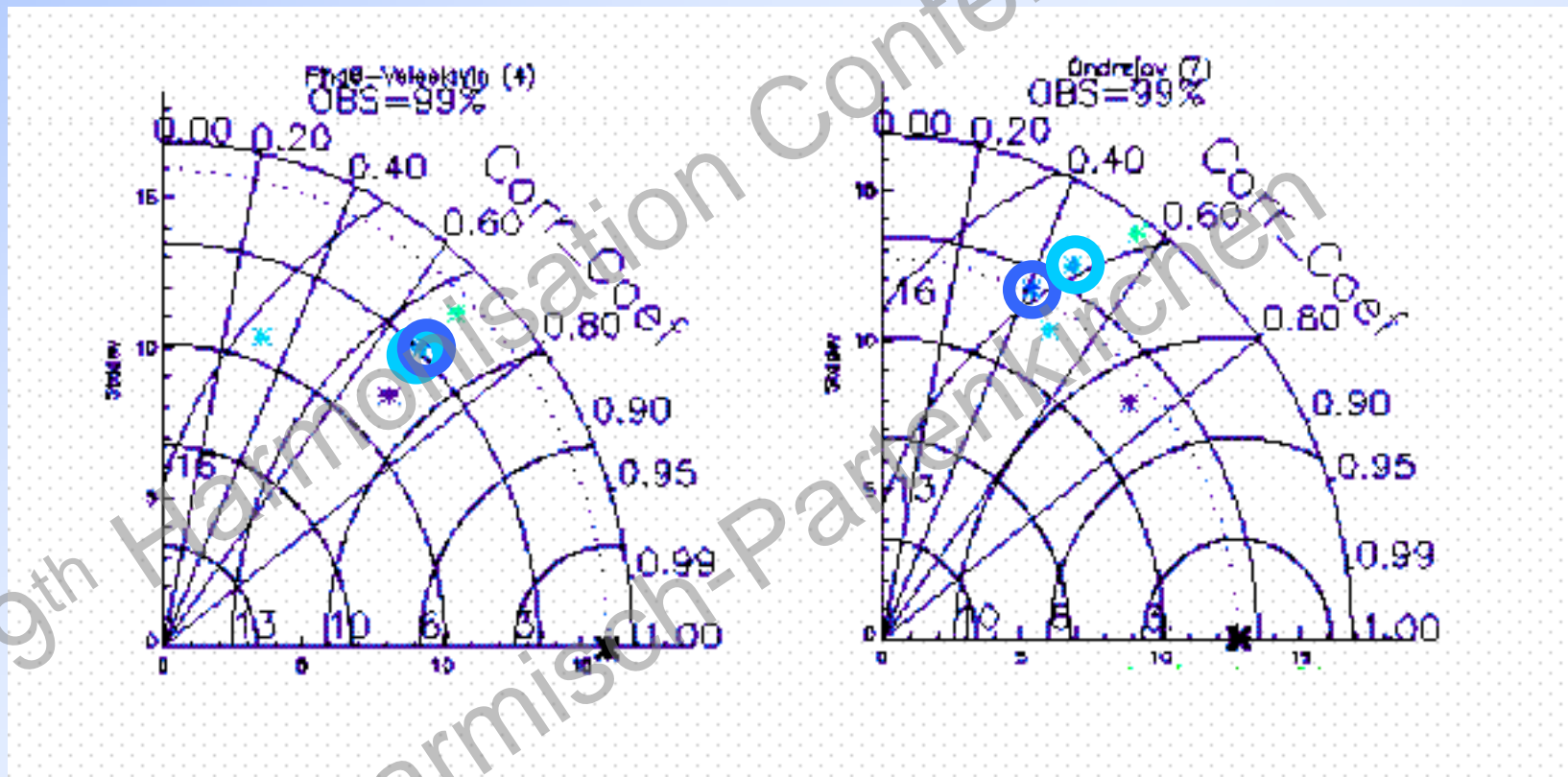
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Taylor diagram



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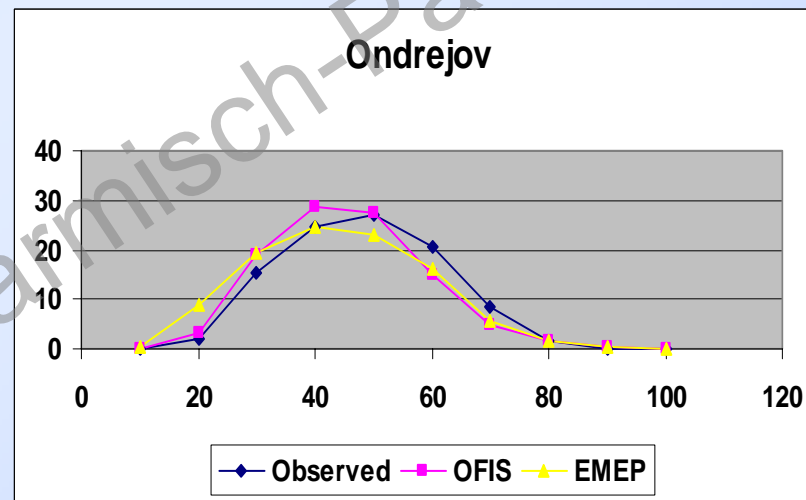
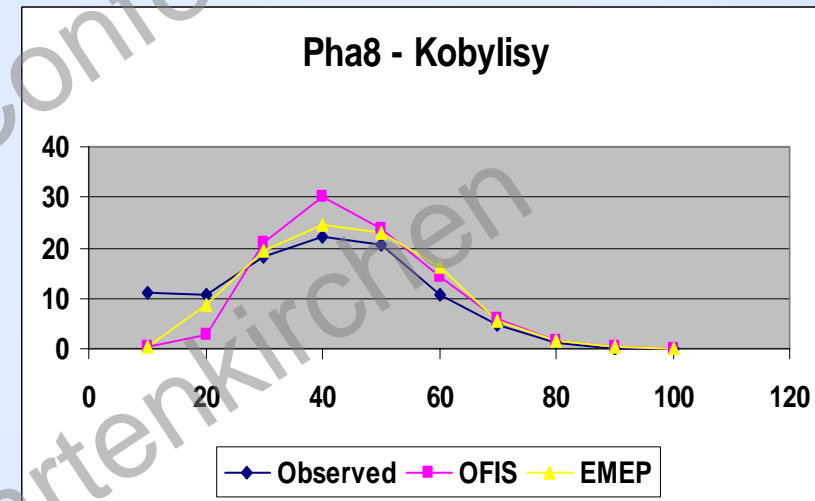
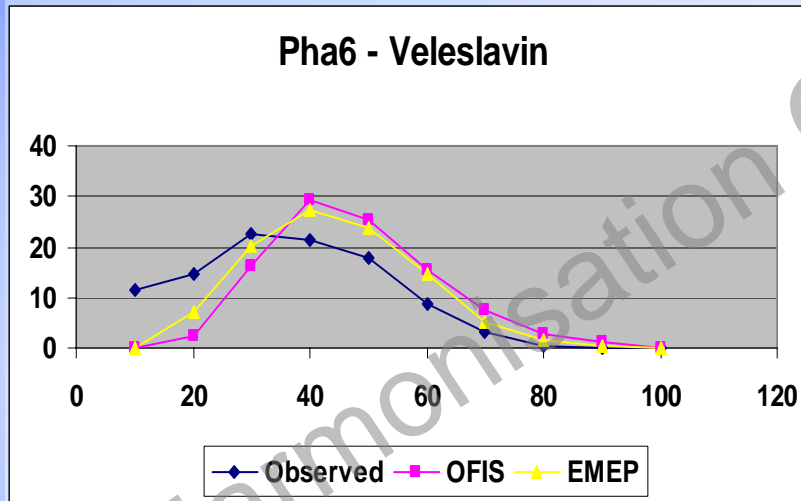
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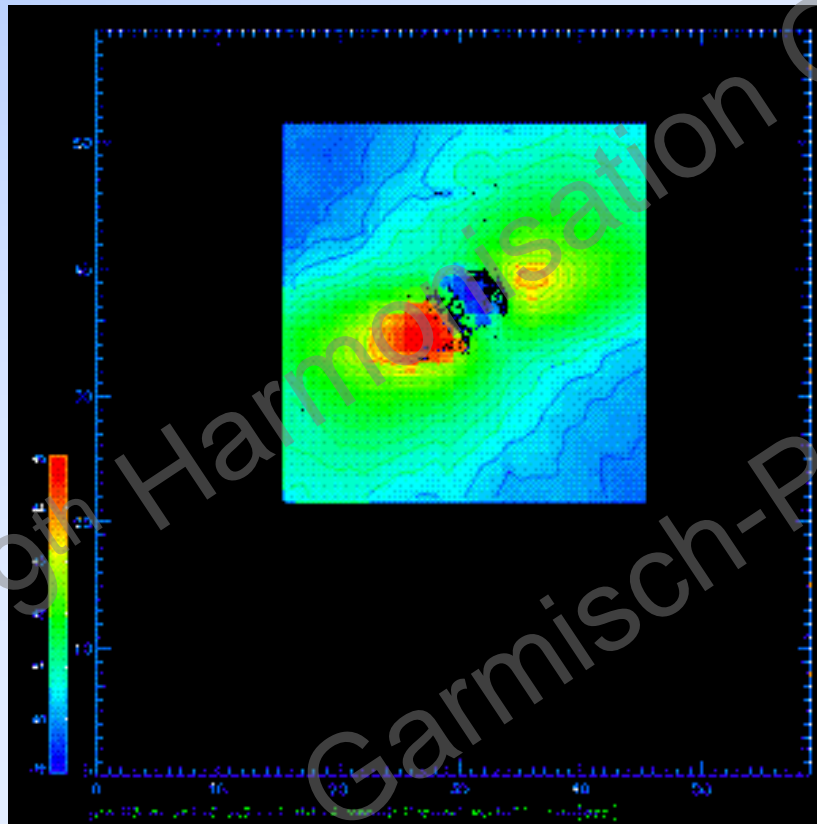
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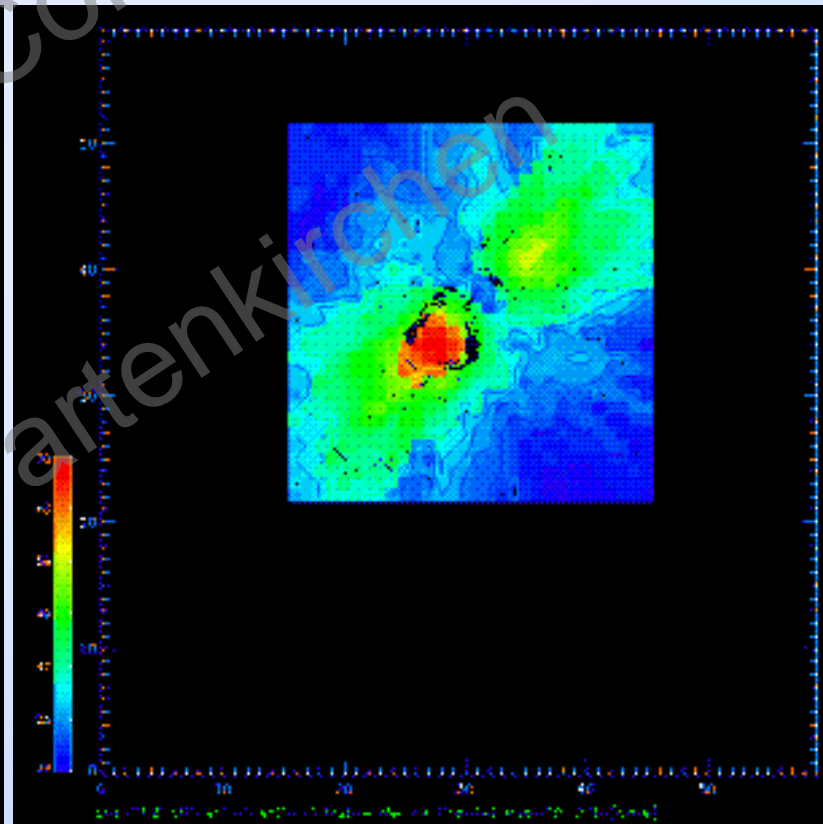


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6-month average



Exceedance days

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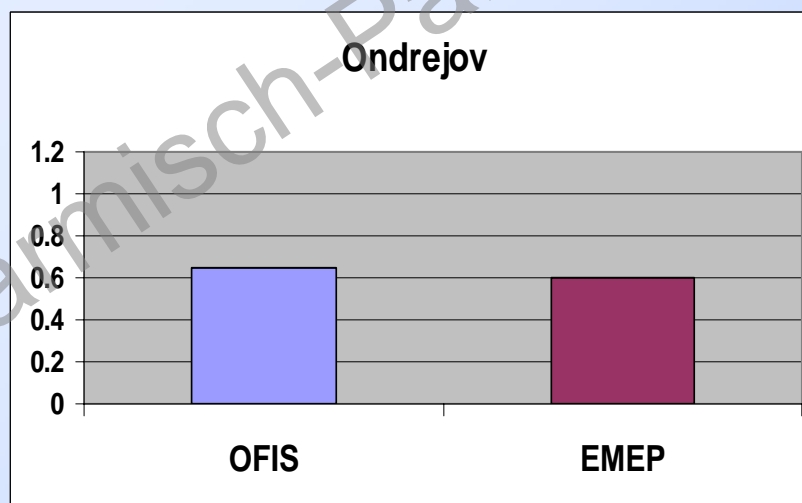
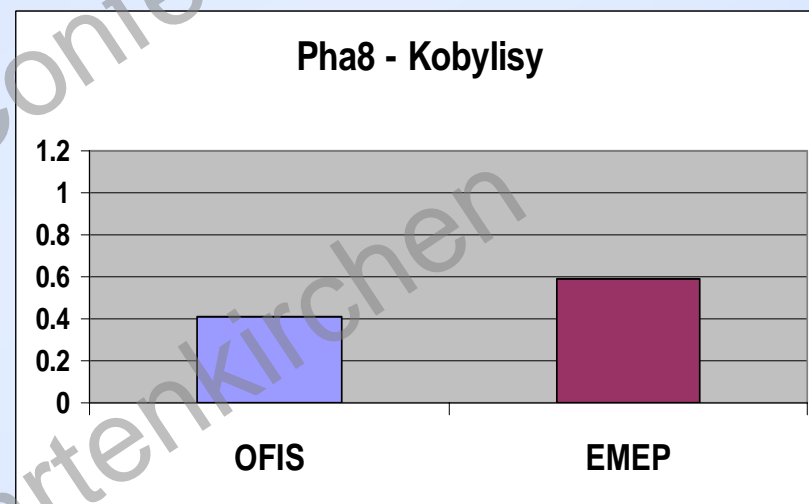
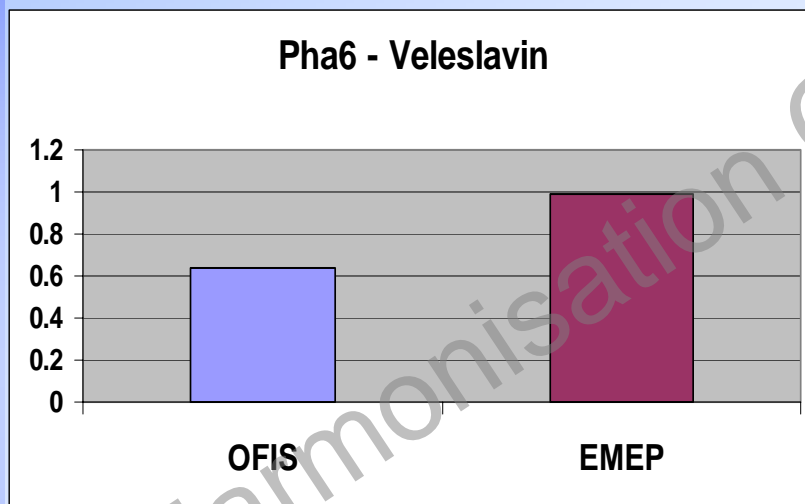
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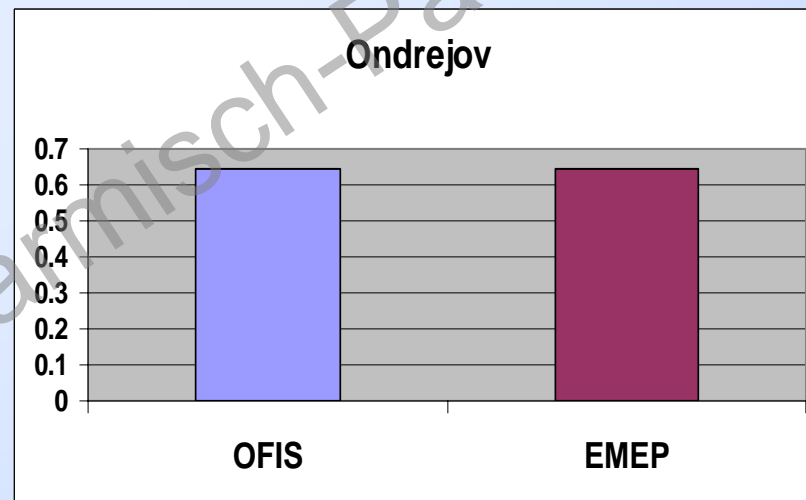
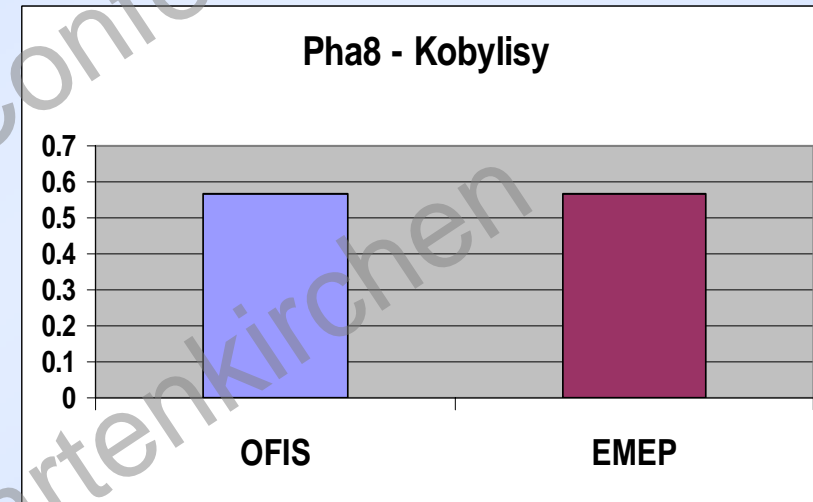
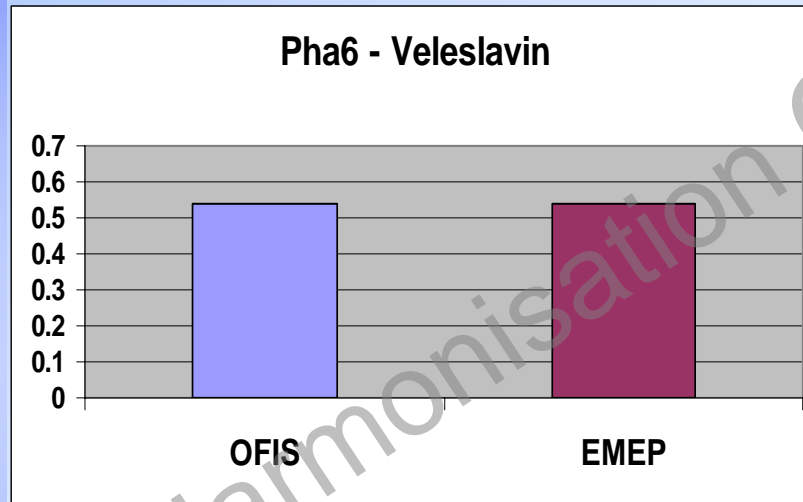
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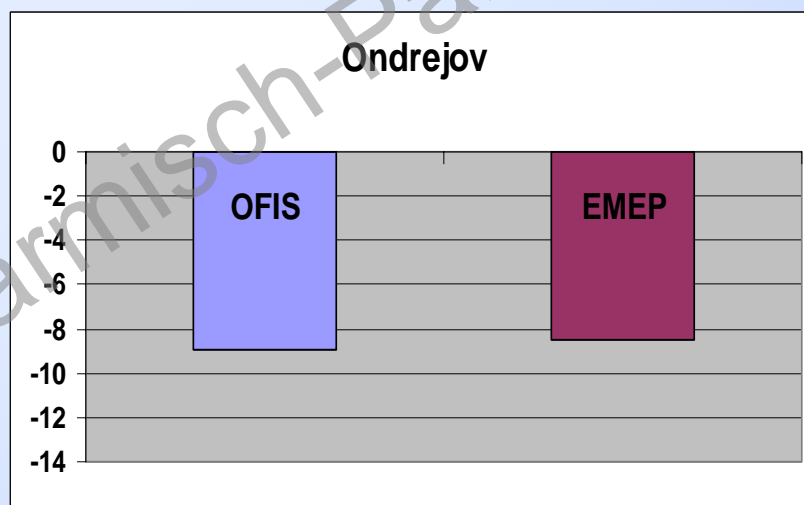
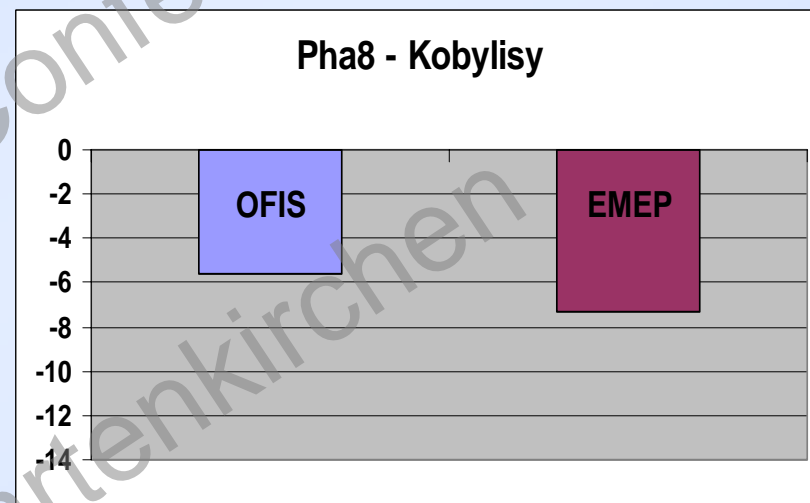
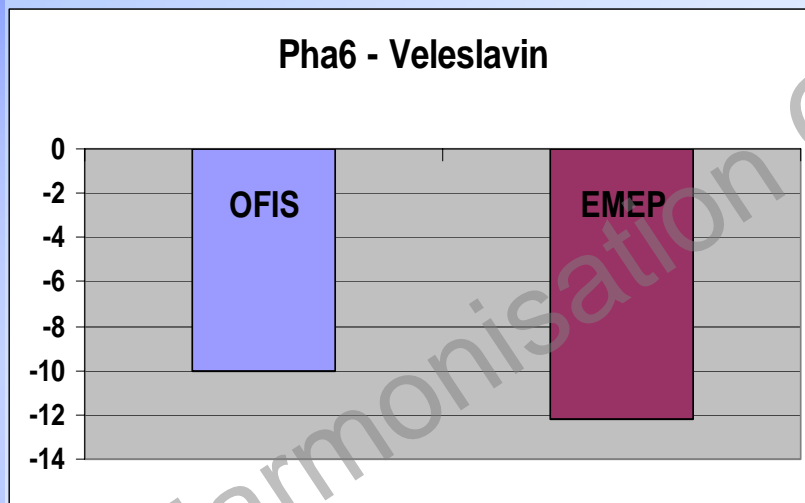
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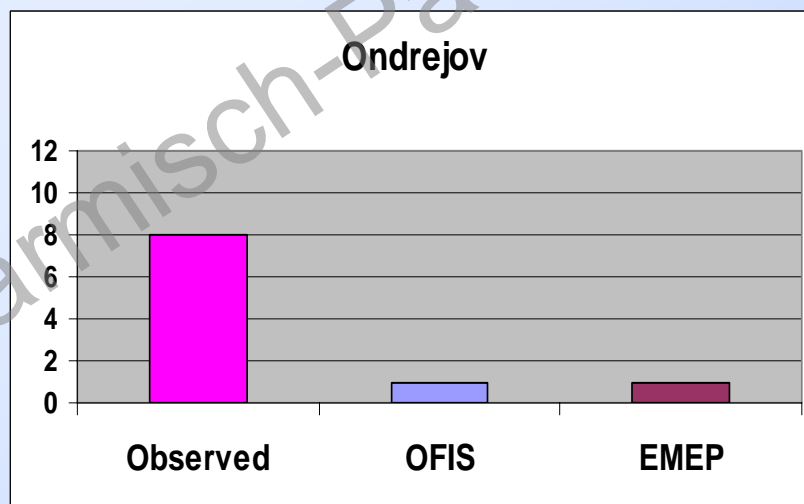
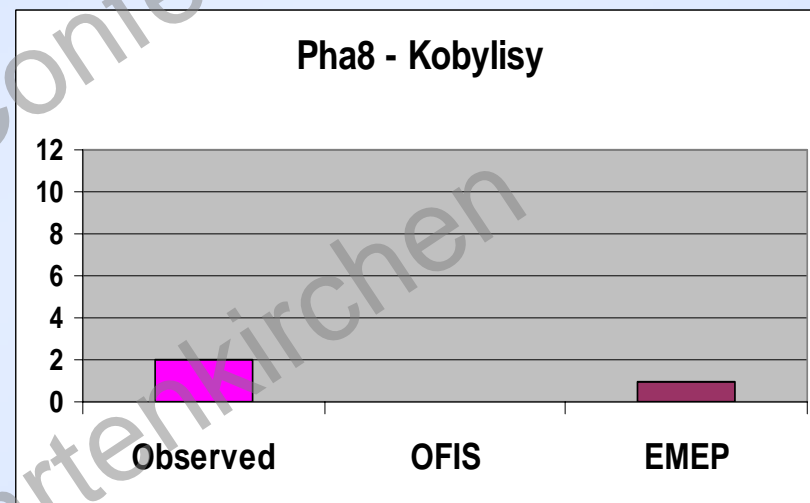
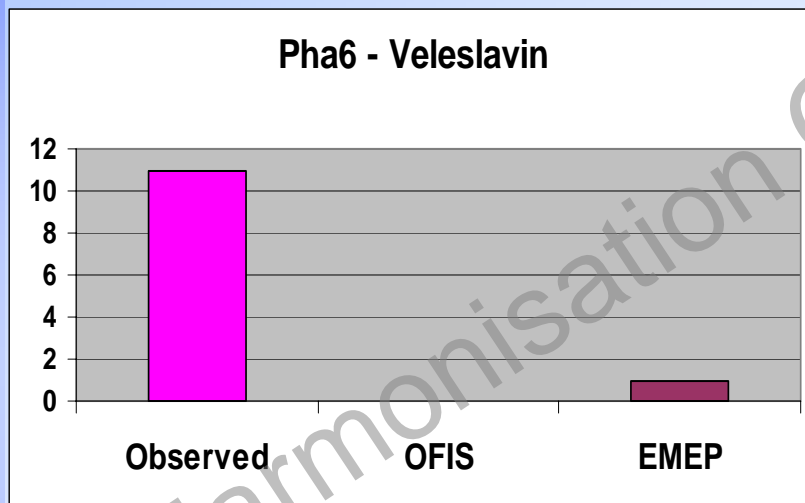
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Exceedance days (50 µg/m³)





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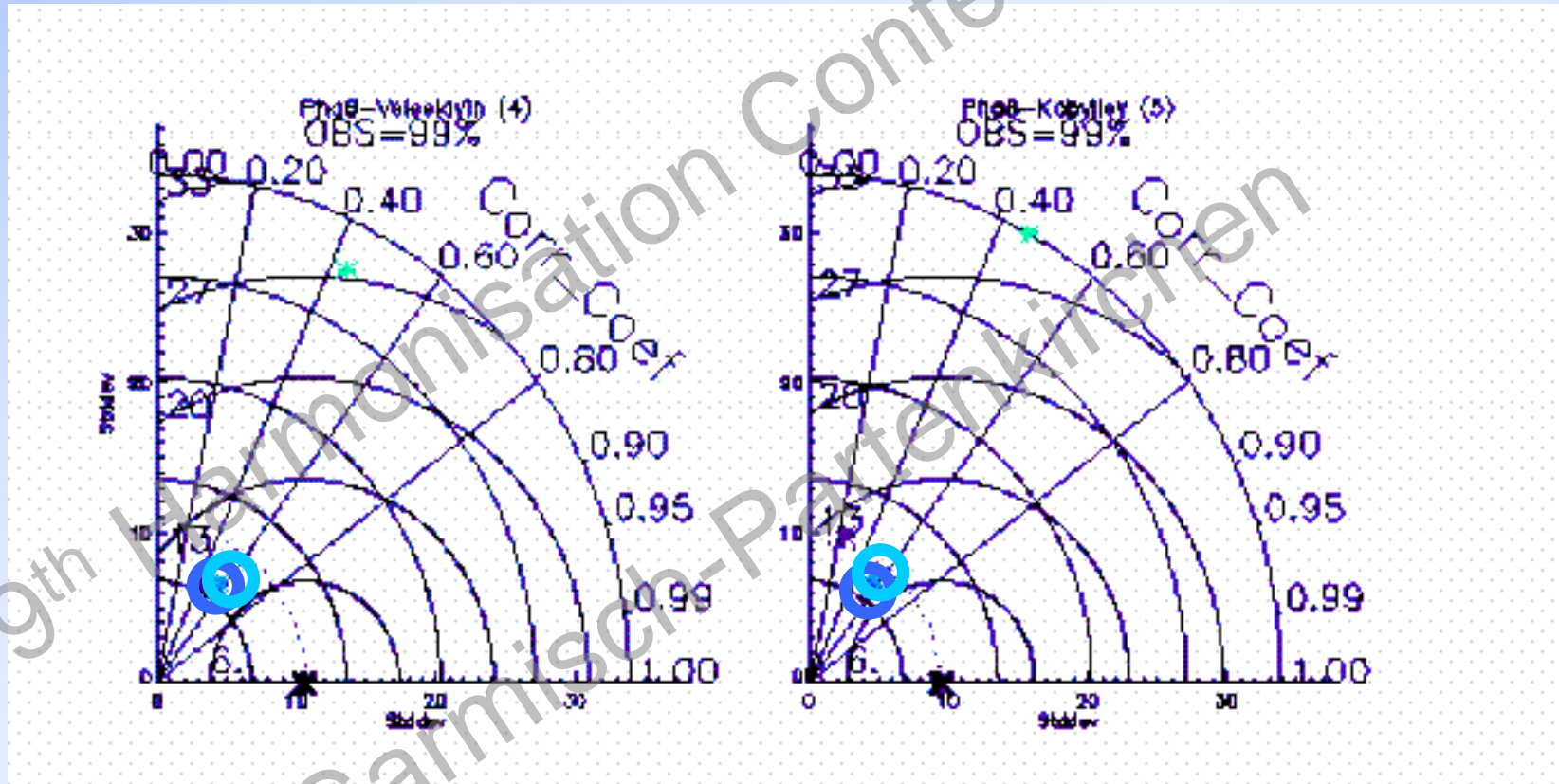
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Taylor diagram



- * OFIS
- * EMEP



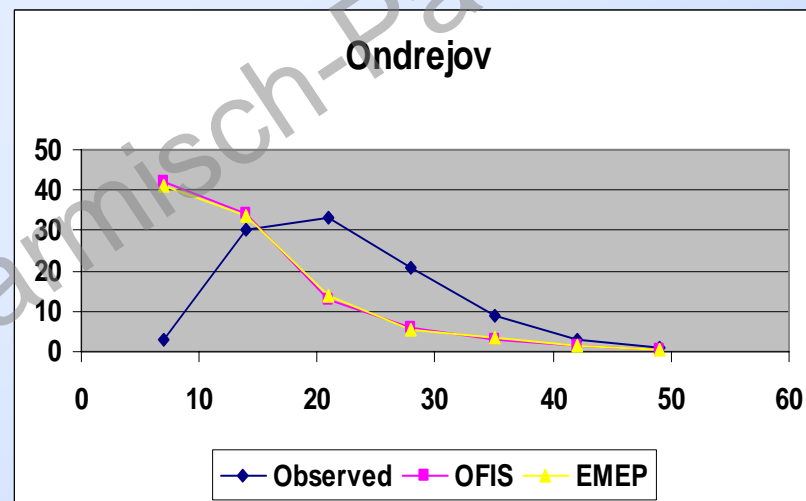
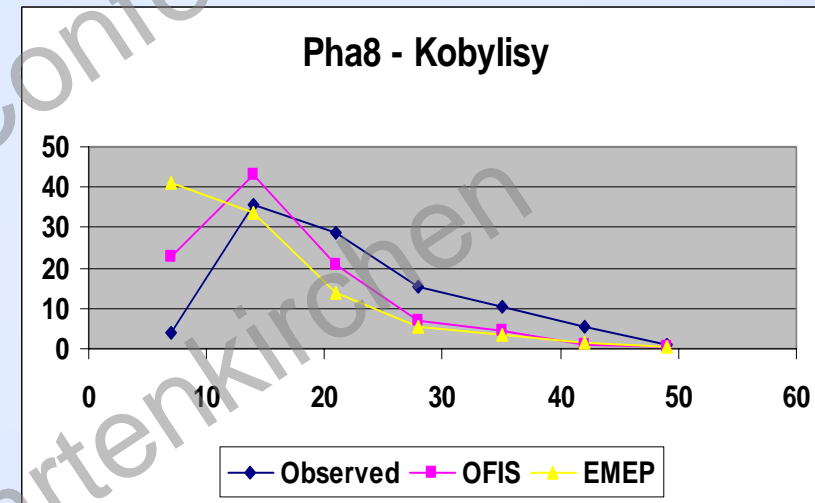
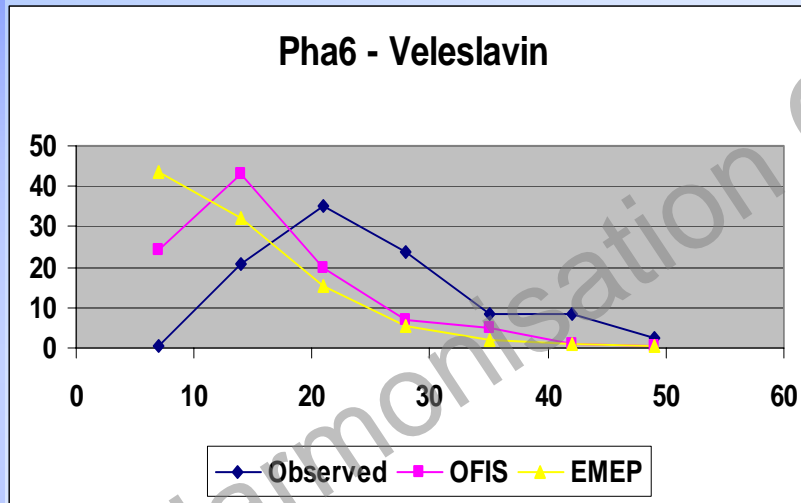
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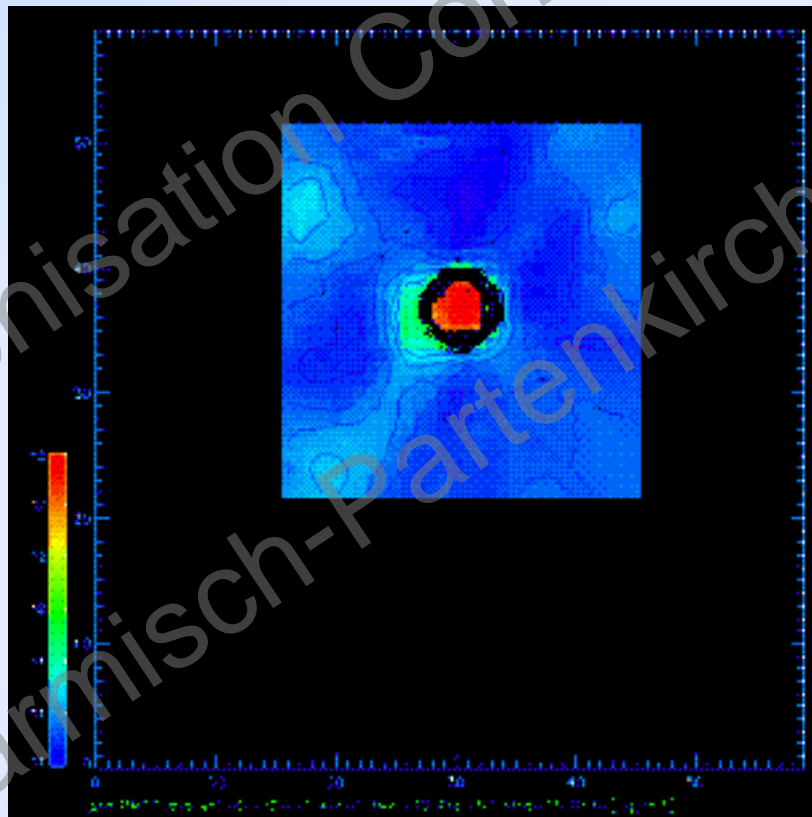
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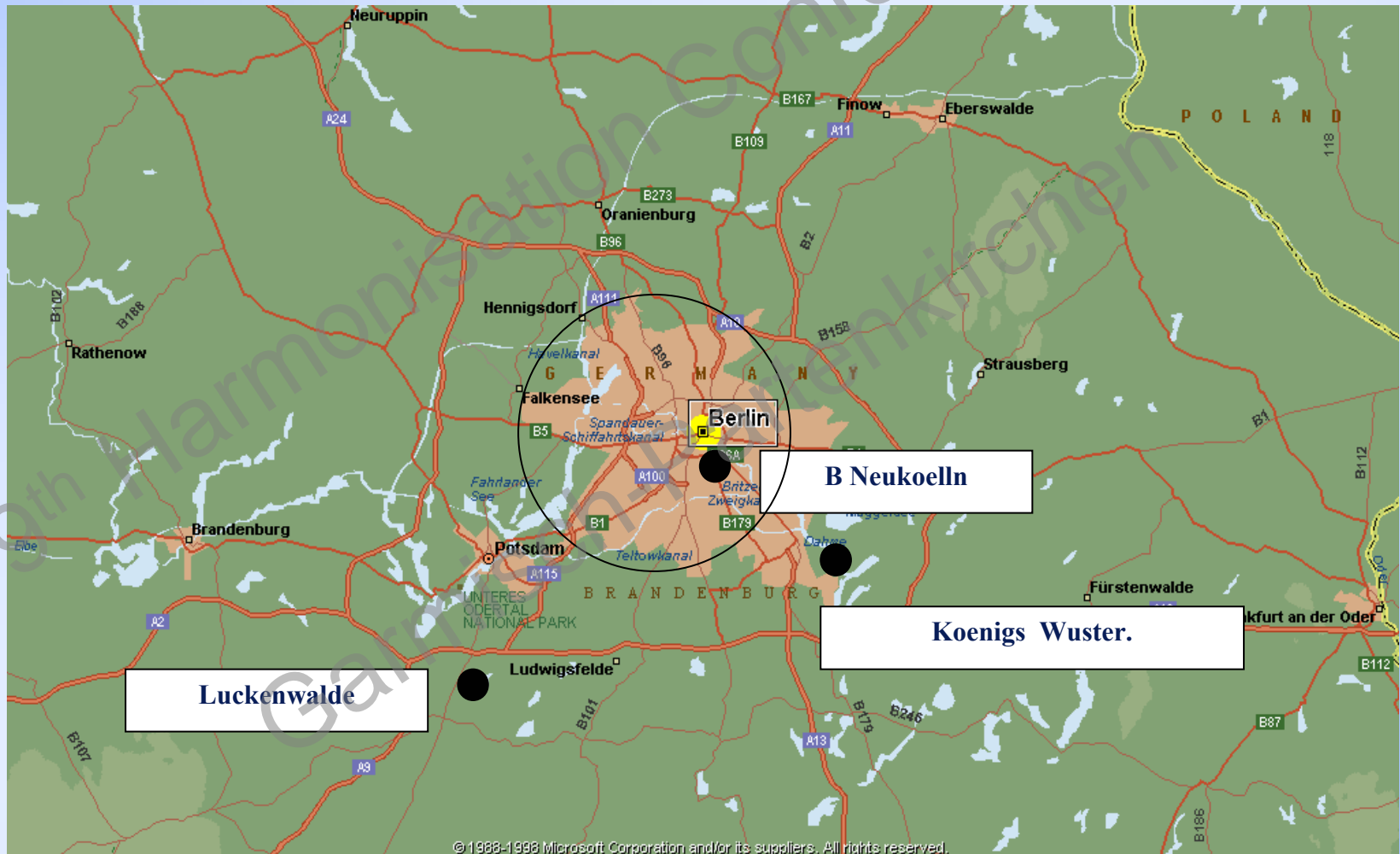


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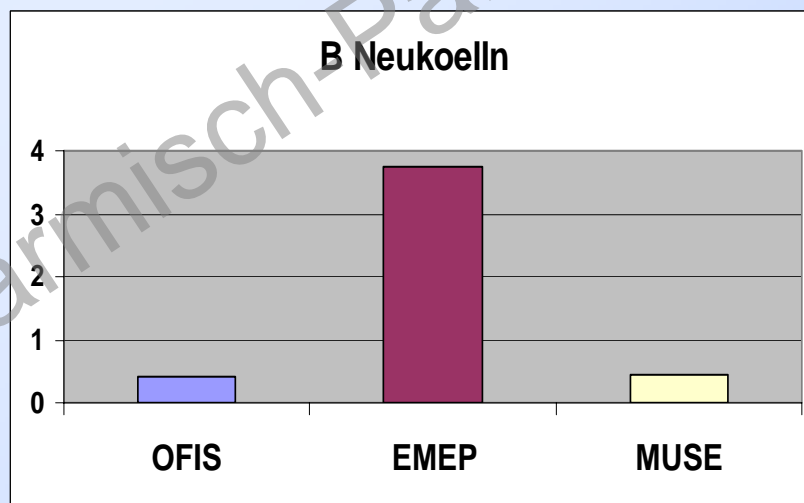
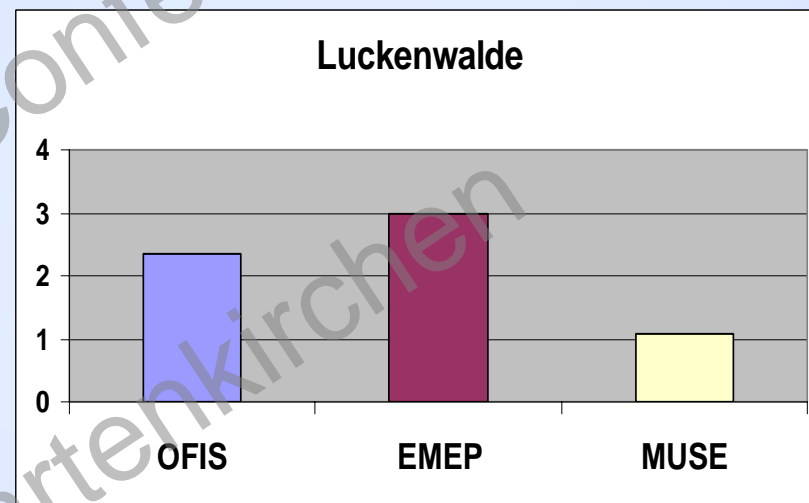
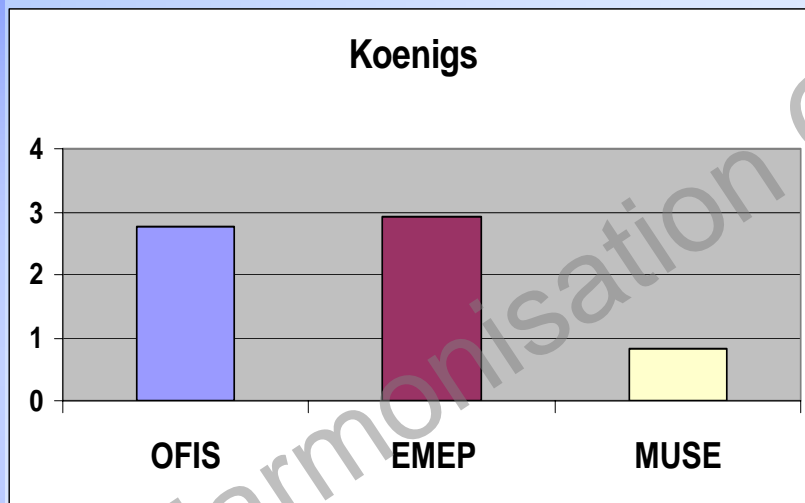


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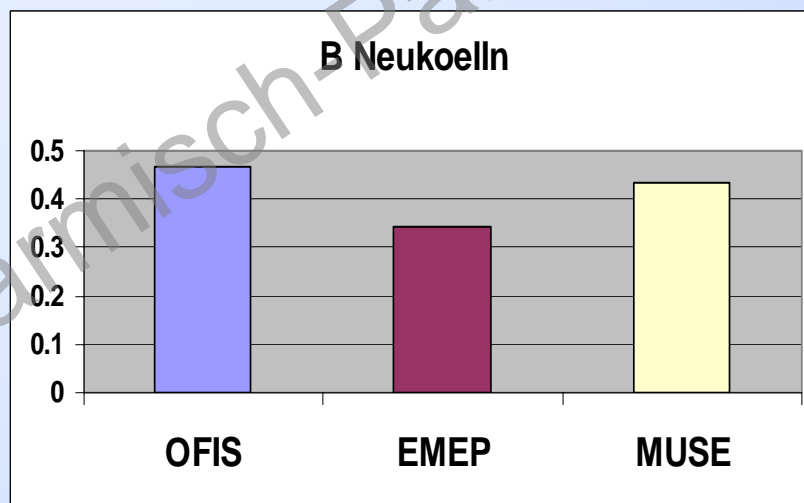
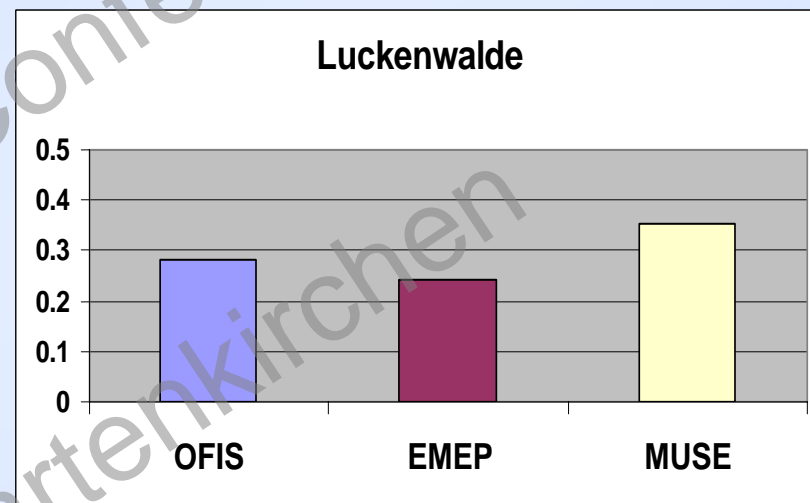
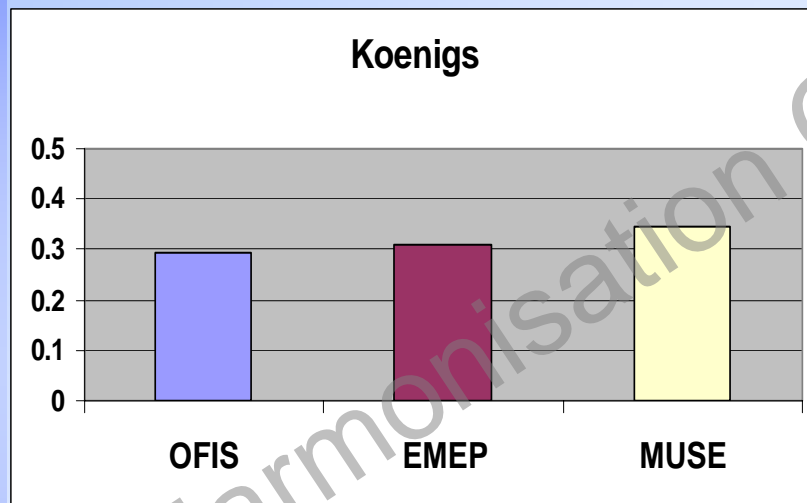


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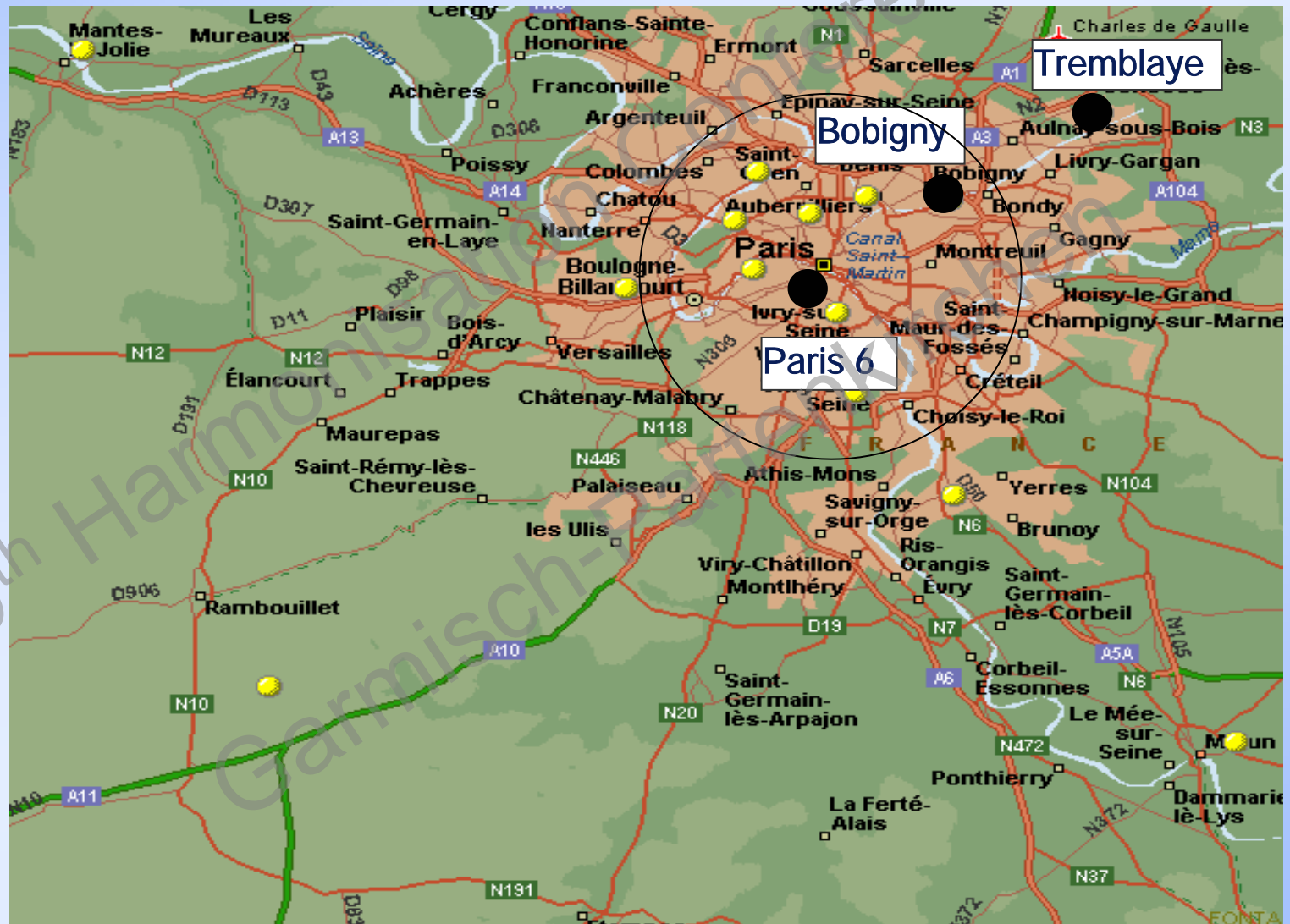
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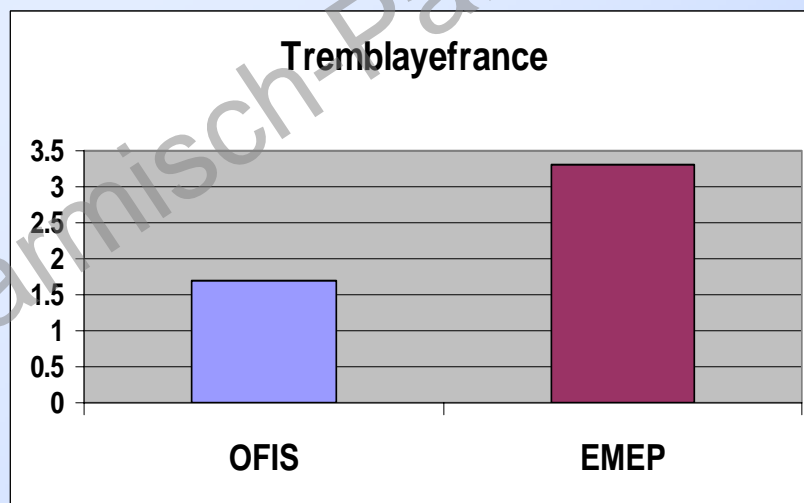
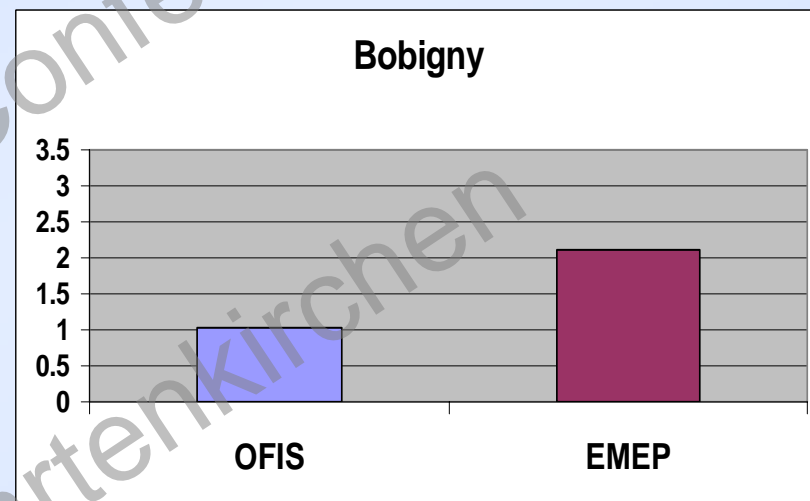
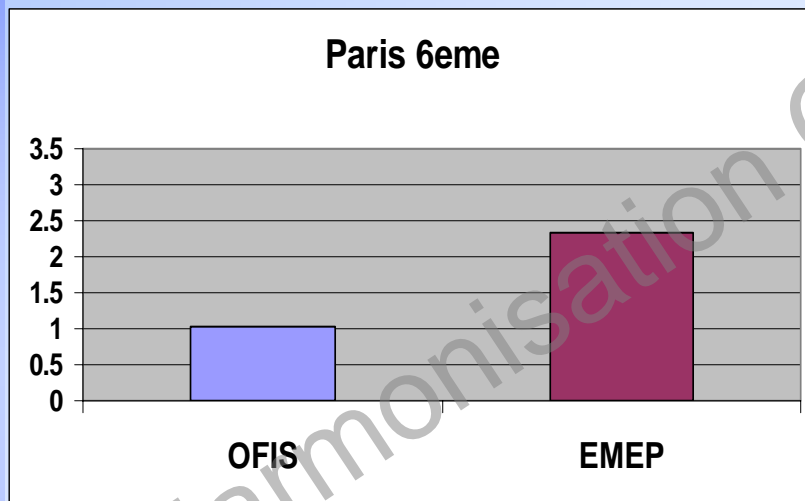
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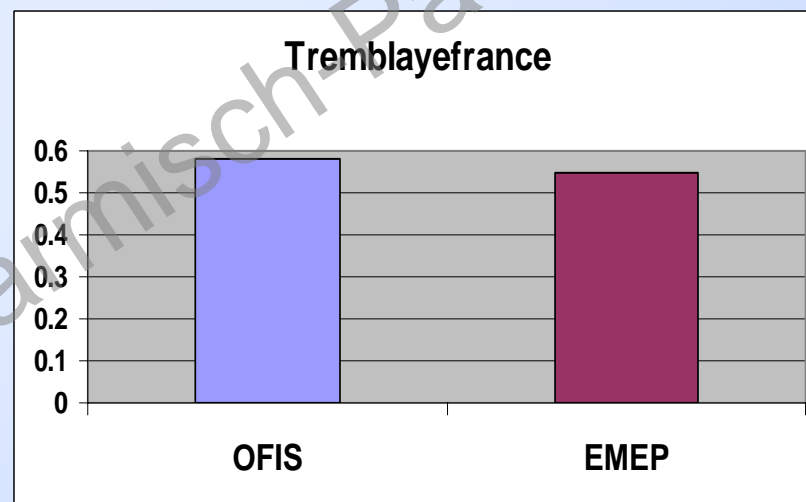
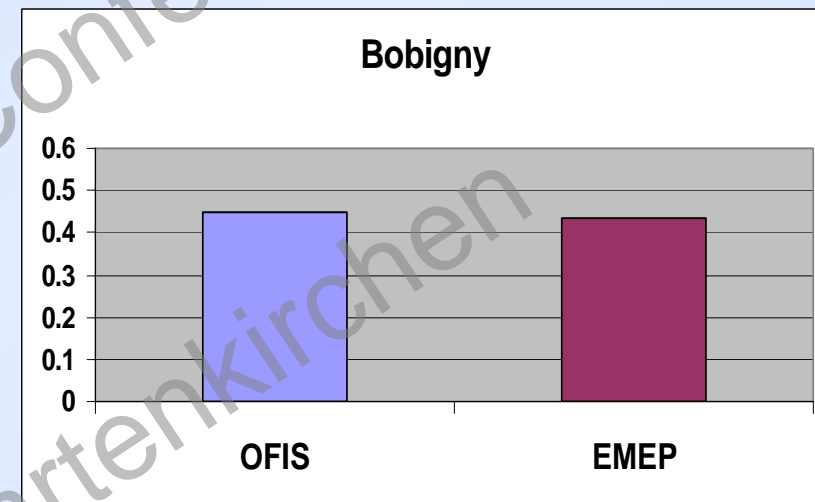
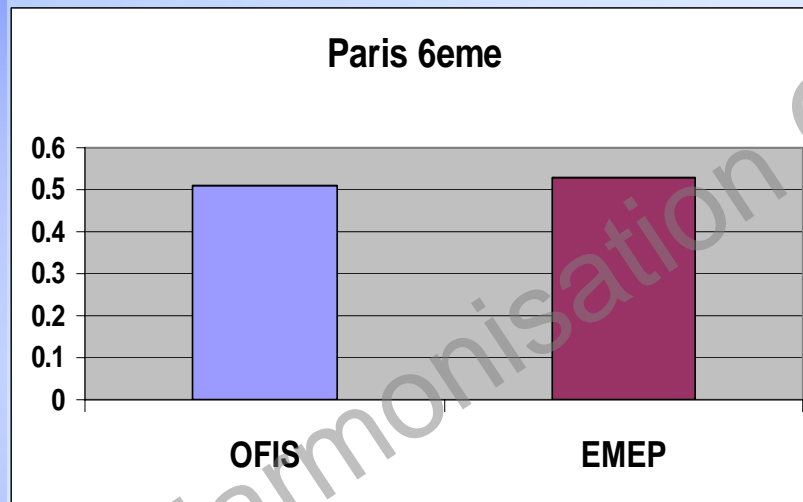
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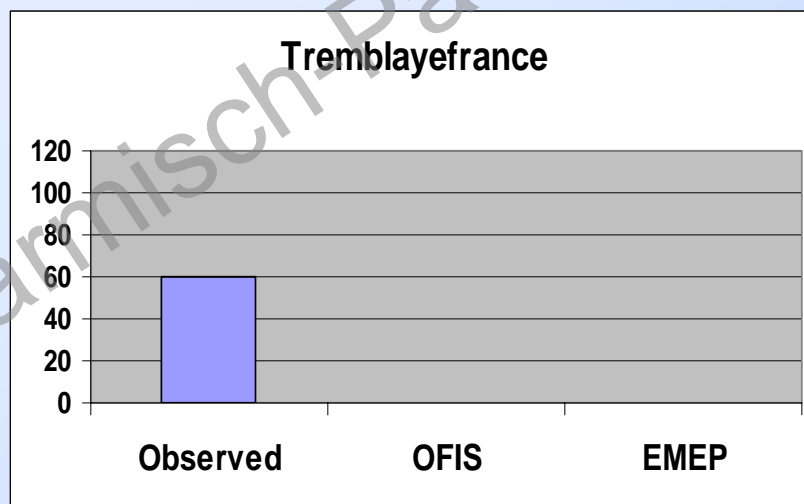
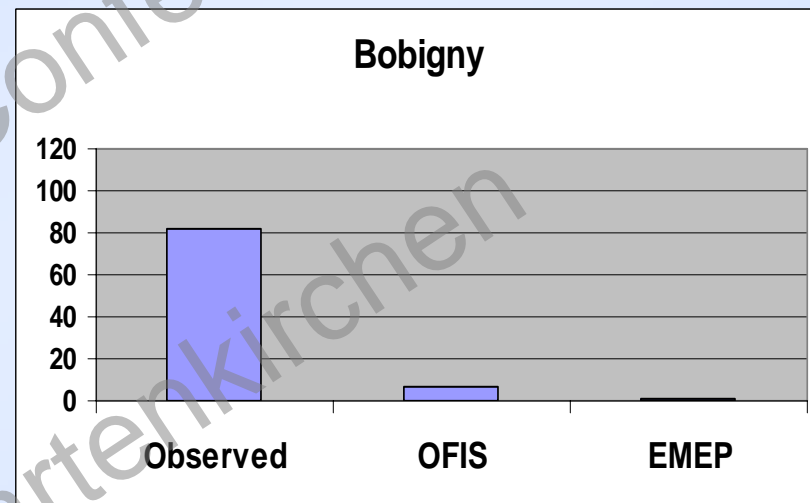
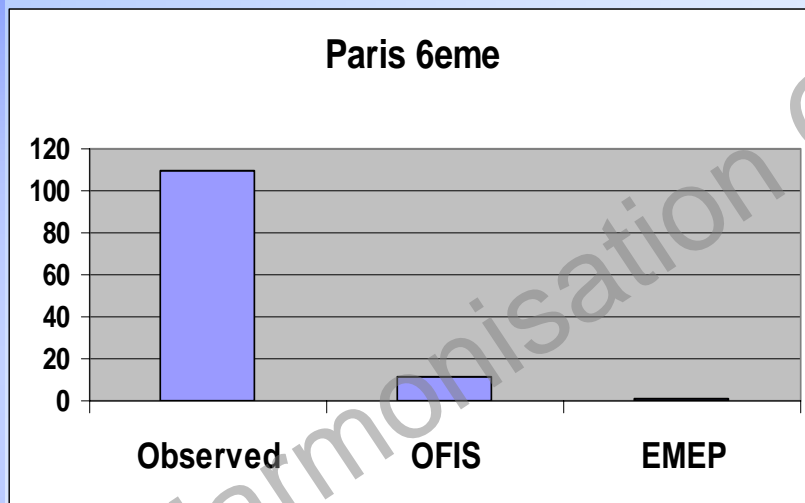
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Exceedance days (50 µg/m³)





Conclusions

- OFIS clearly achieves its goal, i.e., it succeeds in refining regional scale model results
- The effectiveness of OFIS is highest near the city and diminishes with distance
- The performance of OFIS is comparable to that of complex 3D models. However, it is by more than 1 order of magnitude faster
- The combination of a regional scale model and OFIS is an adequate tool for satisfying the needs of the EU Air Quality Framework Directive