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**Satellite-based  
background concentration maps  
of different particle classes in the atmosphere**

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# The concept

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- Key satellite observable: aerosol optical thickness (AOT)
- What do we need in addition to AOT?
- Supplementary input: vertical structure, aerosol type
- Secondary satellite result: choice of aerosol type
- Assumption / external information on vertical profile
- Conversion of AOT to PM

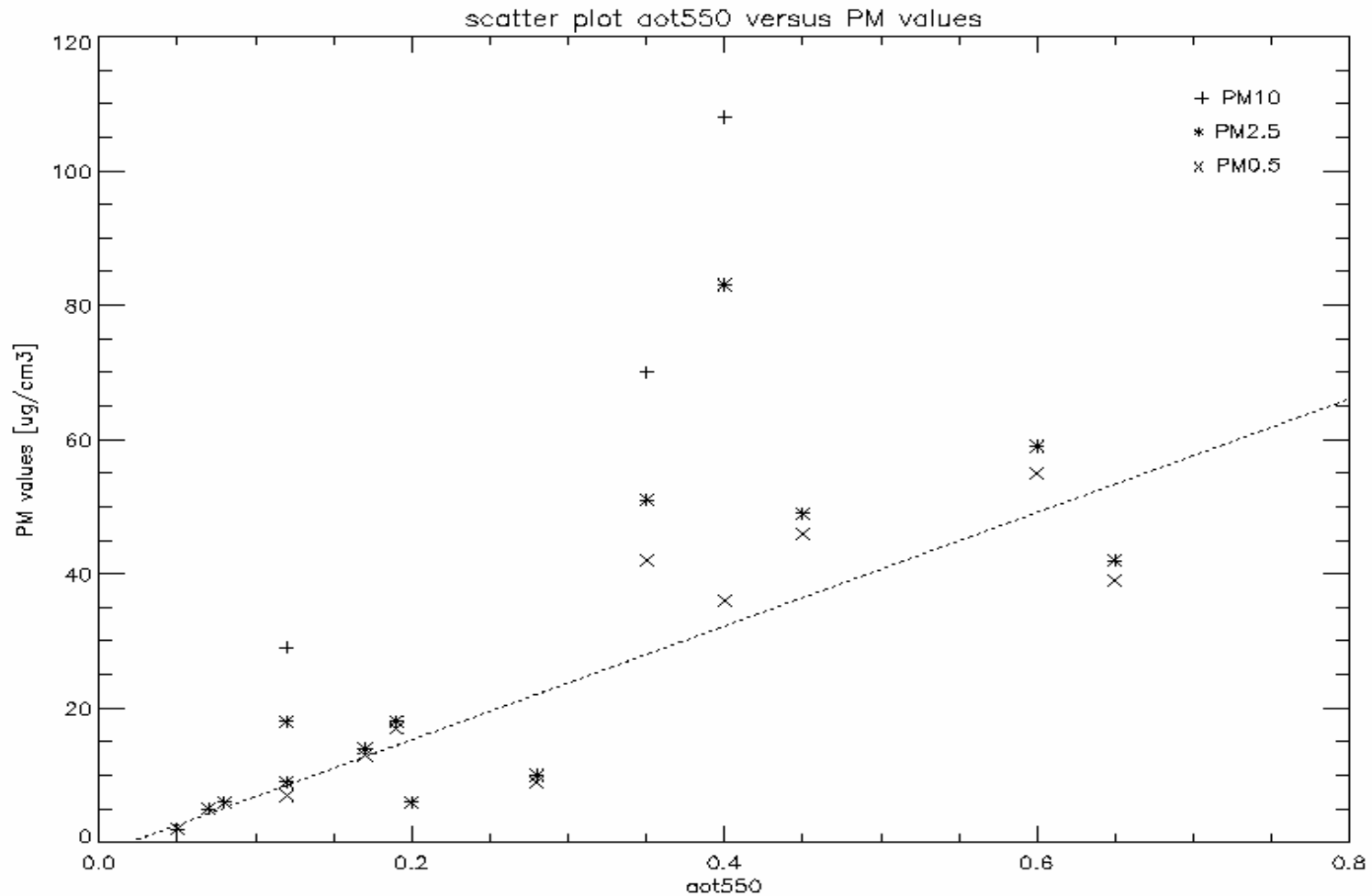
# PM10 values for 20 mixtures

No.	Name	Total	Particle mass concentrations PM10 [ $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ]					
			WASO	INSO	SSAM	SSCM	SOOT	MITR
1	Pure Watersoluble	148	148					
2	Continental I	206	140	66				
3	Continental II	265	132	133				
4	Continental III	325	126	199				
5	Maritime I	296	44		252			
6	Maritime II	323	44		234	45		
7	Maritime III	328	22		306			
8	Maritime IV	381	22		270	91		
9	Polluted Watersoluble I	137	132				5	
10	Polluted Watersoluble II	128	118				10	
11	Polluted Continental I	256	118	133			5	
12	Polluted Continental II	247	104	133			10	
13	Polluted Maritime I	272	60		162	45	5	
14	Polluted Maritime II	289	44		144	91	10	
15	Desert Outbreak I	109	109					318
16	Desert Outbreak II	72	72					636
17	Desert Outbreak III	38	38					954
18	Biom. Burn. / High Poll. I	133	126				7	
19	Biom. Burn. / High Poll. II	118	103				15	
20	Biom. Burn. / High Poll. III	103	80				23	

Exponential vertical profile assumed

# AOT – PM correlations

## Linear relation for PM0.5



# Climatology - basic dataset

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Based on SYNAER evaluation of **GOME / ATSR-2** data

**July 1997 – August 1998** (3 days per month)

5 x 5 degree grid

## **Limitation:**

**3 days per month only**

Cloudiness

Bright surface albedo

## **Quality check / ambiguity test:**

Surface albedo 670 nm less than 0.08 (0.015) over land (ocean)

Cloud fraction in GOME pixel less than 35%

Fit error GOME spectrum less than 0.005 (1% error is 0.002)

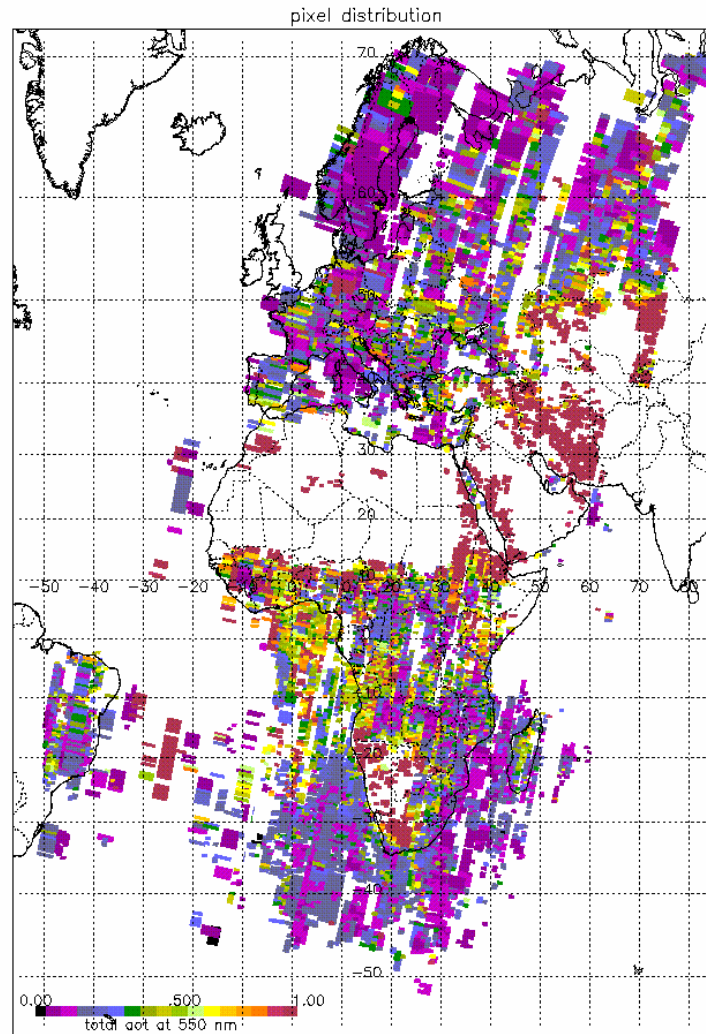
Number of contributing orbits per box 2 or more (mean: 4)

Number of contributing GOME pixels per box 5 or more (mean: 19)

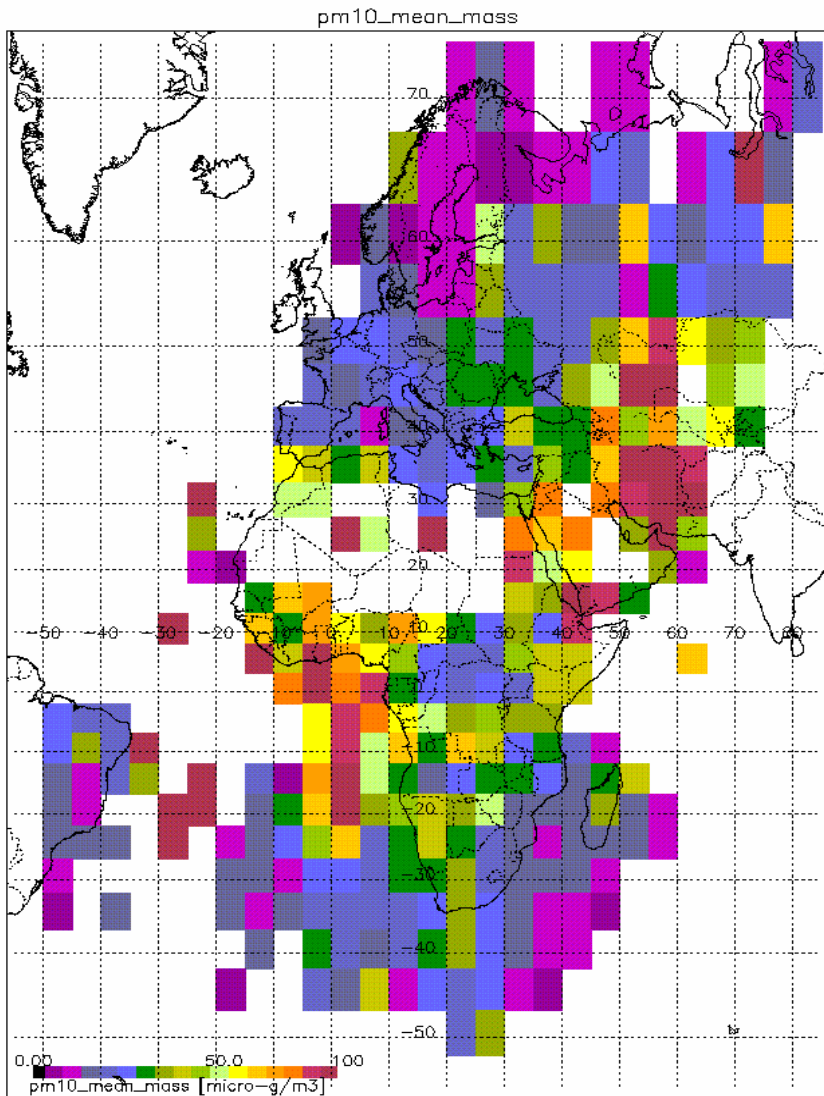
Component analysis only for AOT > 0.1

# 14 month AOT at 550 nm

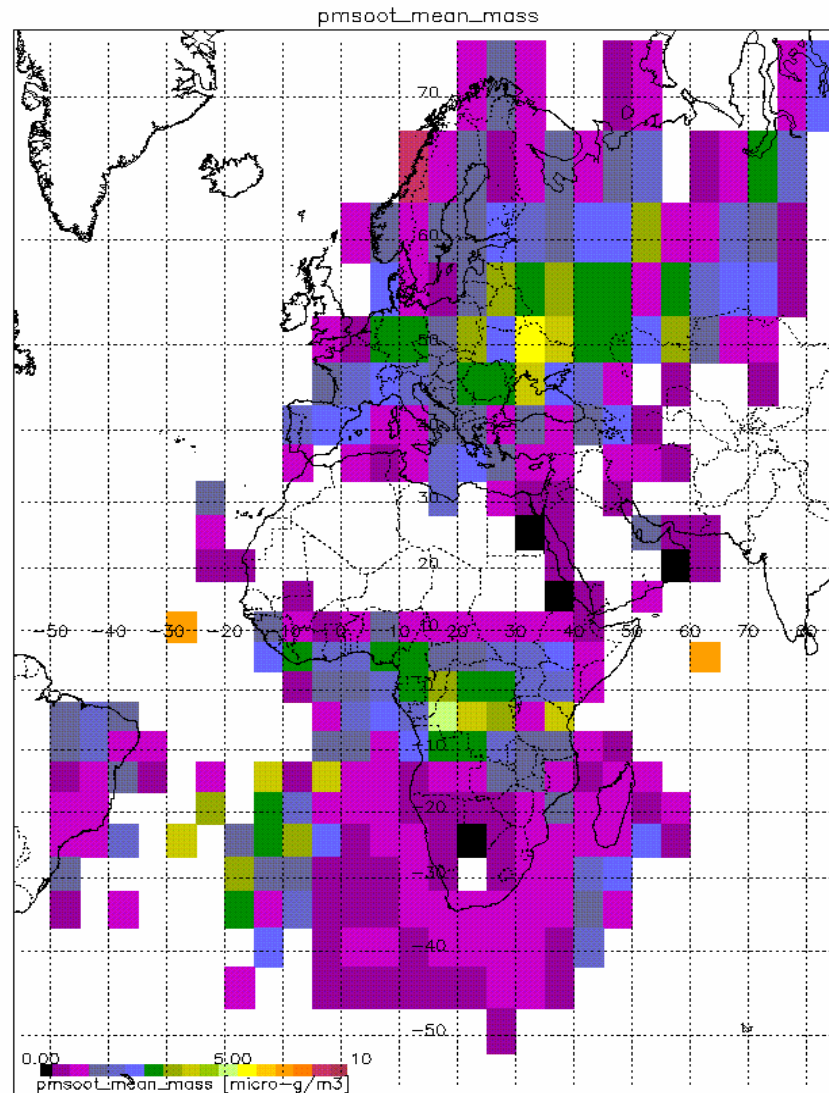
Pixelwise AOT550  
0...1



# 14 month PM 10 ( $\mu\text{g} / \text{m}^3$ )

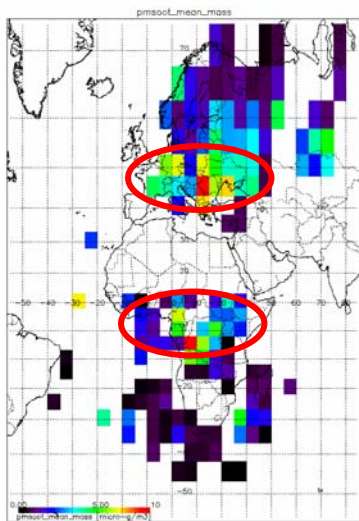


# 14 month PM soot ( $\mu\text{g} / \text{m}^3$ )

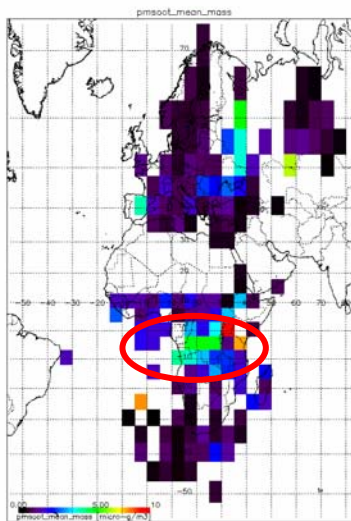


# Seasonal PM soot ( $\mu\text{g} / \text{m}^3$ )

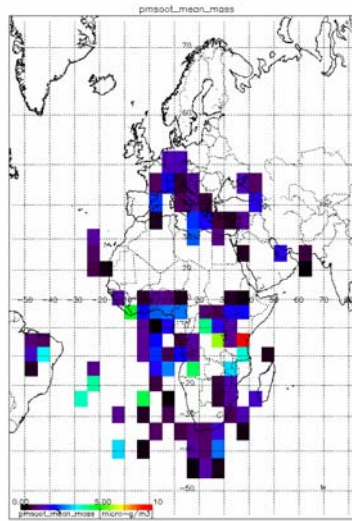
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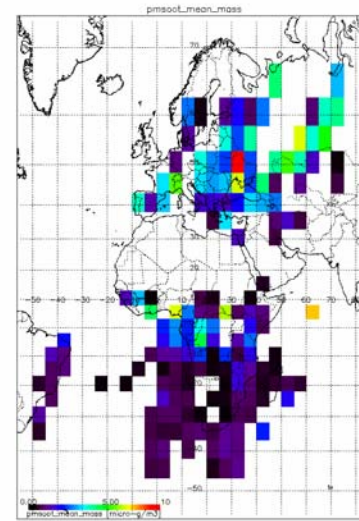
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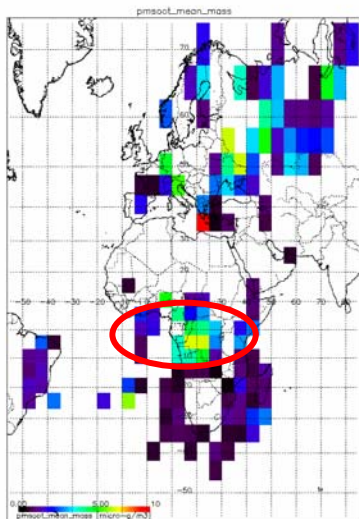
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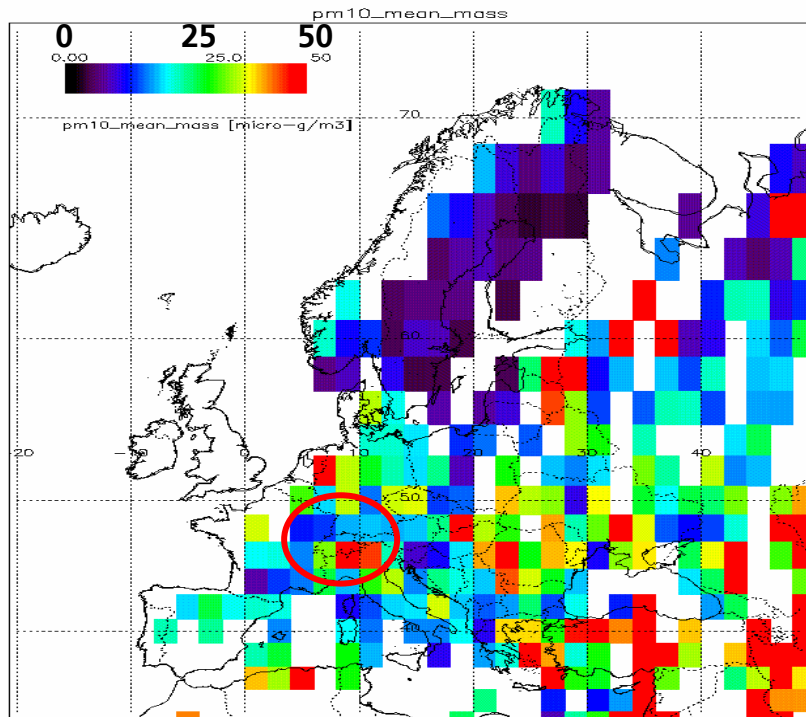
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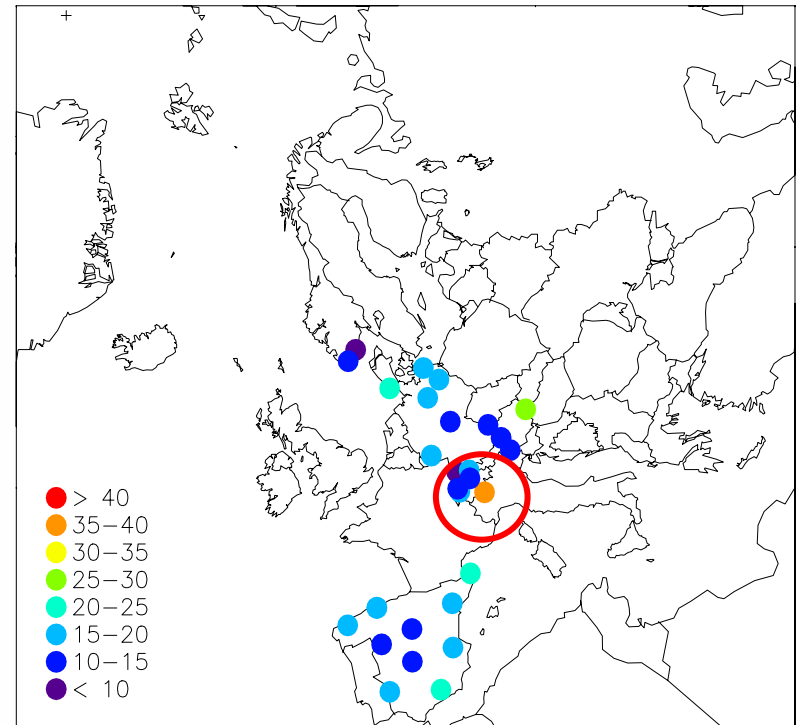
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# PM10 intercomparison (2 degree)



**SYNAER Jul97 – Aug98 mean PM10**



**From EMEP/CCC report 9/2003  
annual mean 2001 PM10**