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# Structure of talk

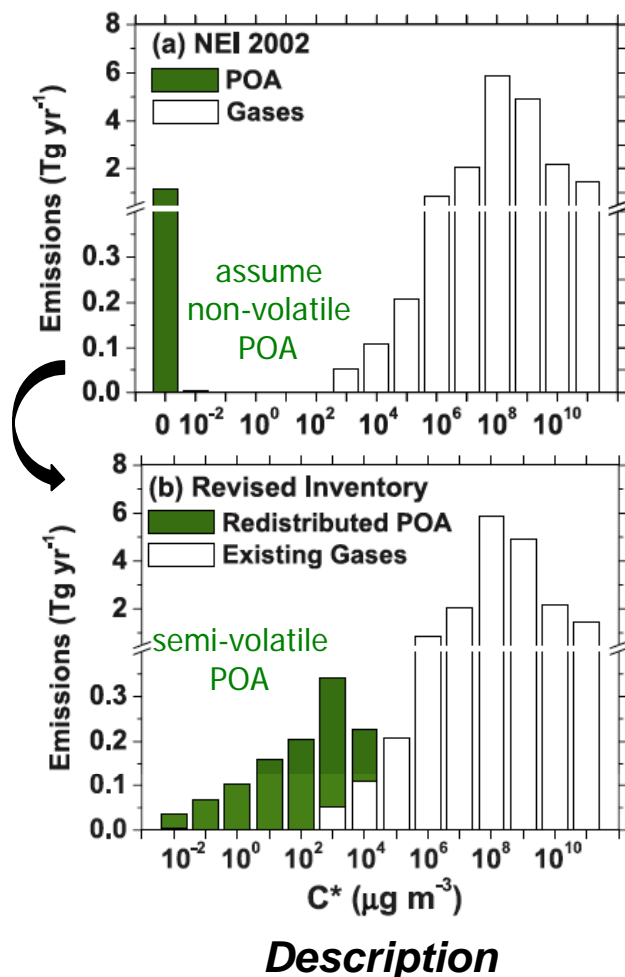
- What is new in WRF/Chem – V3.3
- Emissions preprocessors: new developments
- Ongoing and future work

# Adding Gas Phase Chemistry and Aerosol Packages (all implemented by **PNNL**)

- New gasphase chemistry KPP packages include
  - SAPRC99 (by itself and coupled to MOSAIC + VBS<sub>2</sub>)
  - 7 CBMZ packages (coupled to MADE/SORGAM, MOSAIC\_DMS, with and without aqueous phase chemistry)

# Secondary Organic Aerosols in MOSAIC

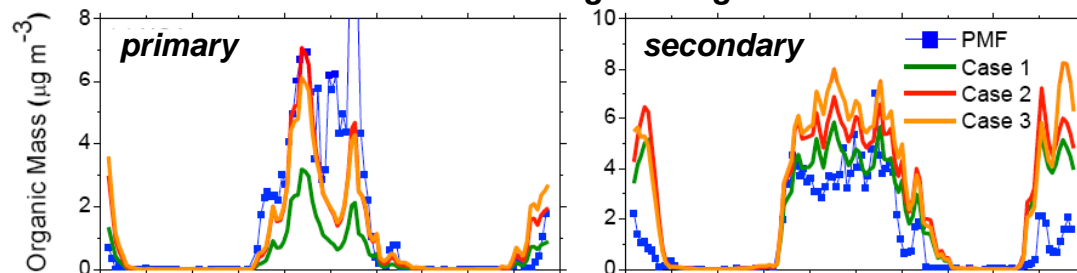
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## Evaluation along G-1 Flight Path



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# Improving Aerosol Modules: Secondary Organic Aerosols in MOSAIC: Volatility Basis Set Approach (VBS) as implemented by PNNL

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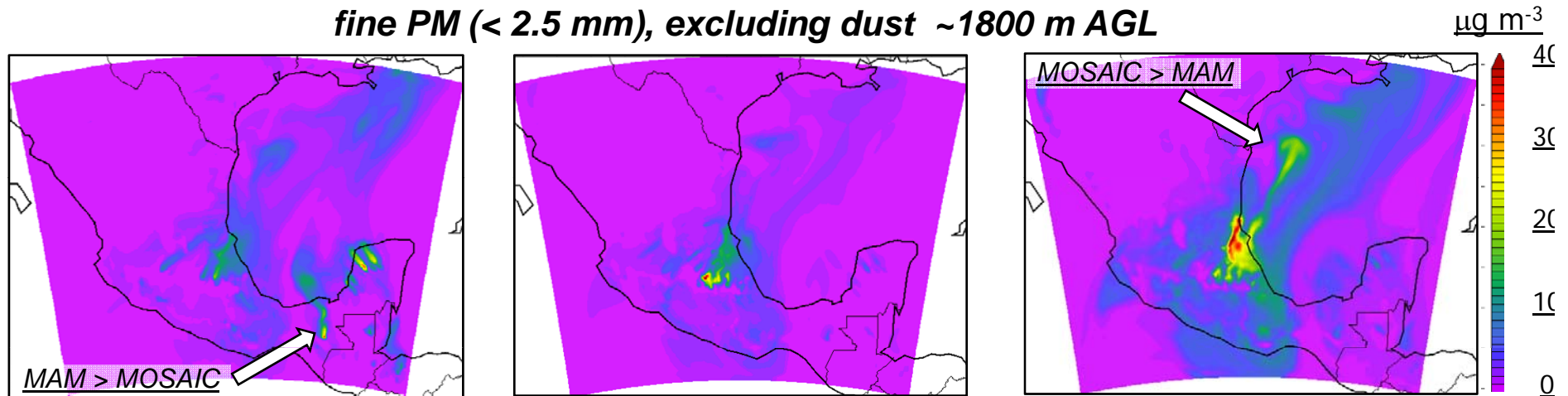
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# Aerosol Model from CAM5 Ported to WRF-Chem

<b>MAM (from CAM5)</b>	<b>MADE/SORGAM</b>	<b>MOSAIC</b>
modal – 3 modes, <b>18</b> species 'simple'	modal – 3 modes, <b>38</b> species	sectional – 4 bins, <b>164</b> species 'complex'
<i>1 simulation day ~ 21 min</i>	<i>~ 24 min</i>	<i>~ 60 min</i>

← *9 times more species* →

***fine PM (< 2.5  $\mu\text{m}$ ), excluding dust ~1800 m AGL***



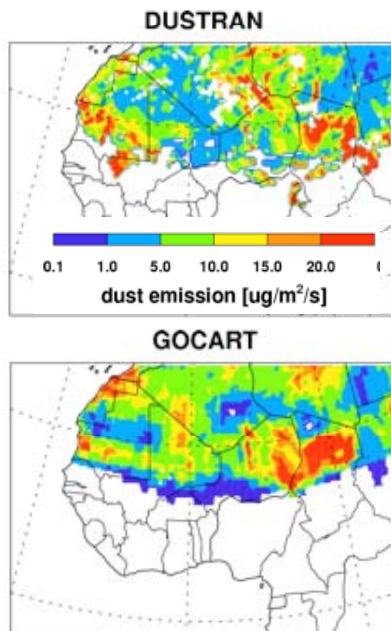
- ▶ Identical emissions, meteorology, chemistry, dry deposition, boundary conditions
- ▶ Differences due to secondary aerosols ( $\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{NO}_3$ ,  $\text{NH}_4$ , organics)
- ▶ Treatment of organics:
  - ▶ **MAM:** POA - non-volatile, SOA – simple yields
  - ▶ **MADE/SORGAM:** POA - non-volatile, SOA - 2-product approach
  - ▶ **MOSAIC:** 'volatility basis set' approach, volatile POA & SOA

***See Poster P80, Fast et al. for more details***

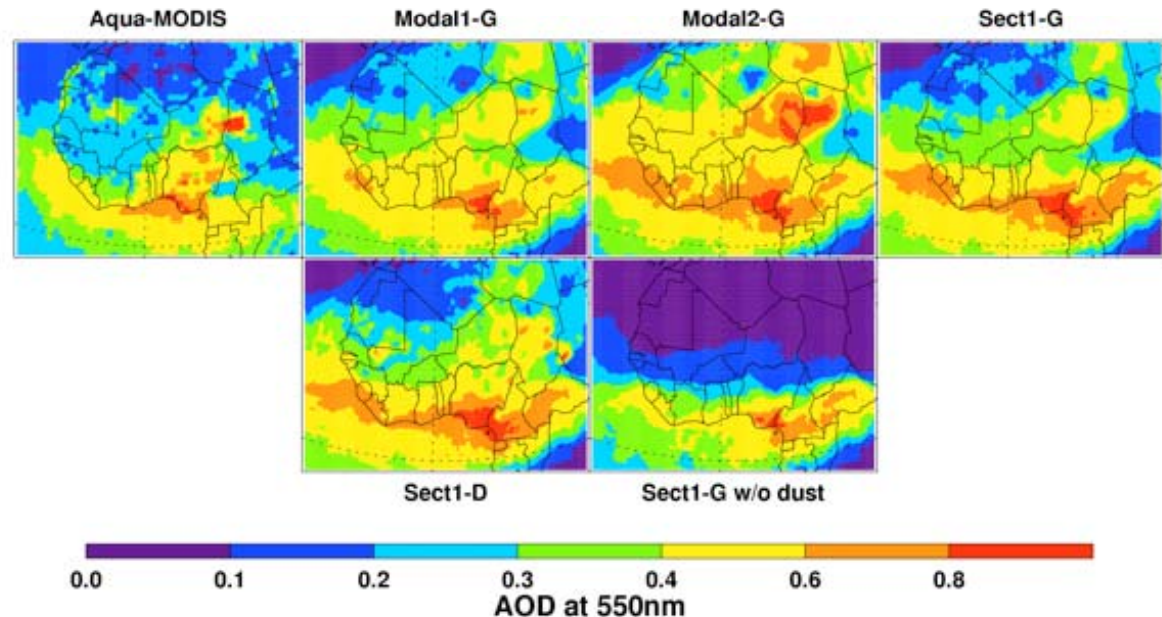
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## Dust Emissions from 2 Treatments



## AOD under Various Scenarios – Dust Emissions and Aerosol Models

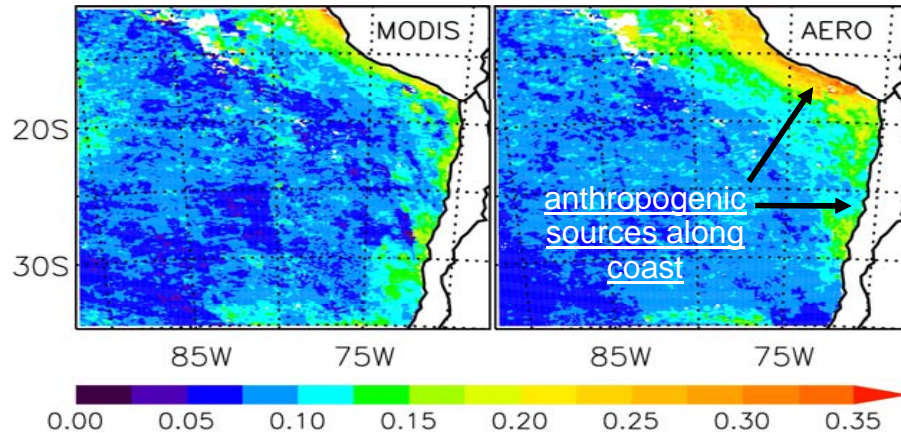


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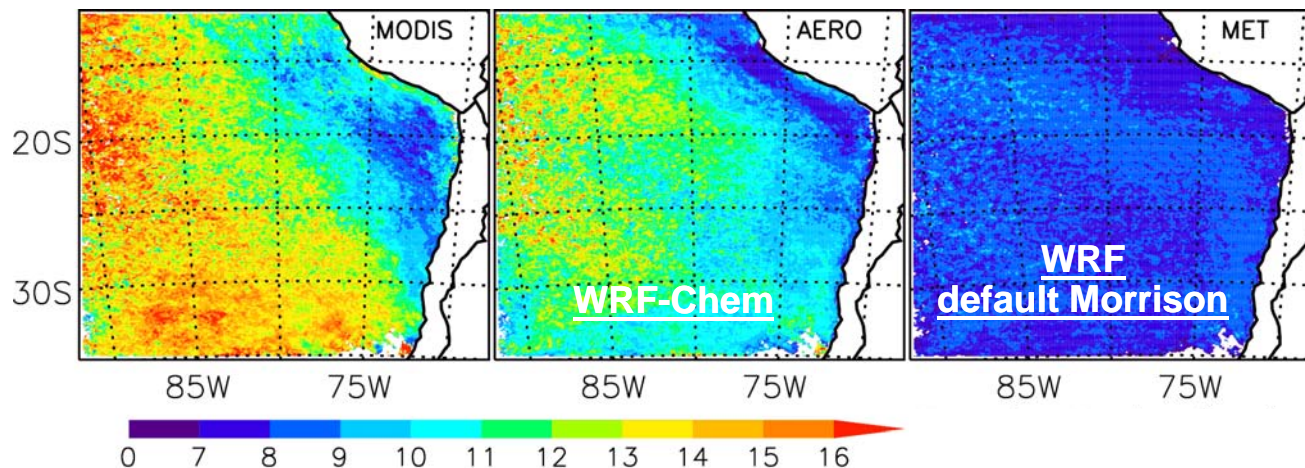
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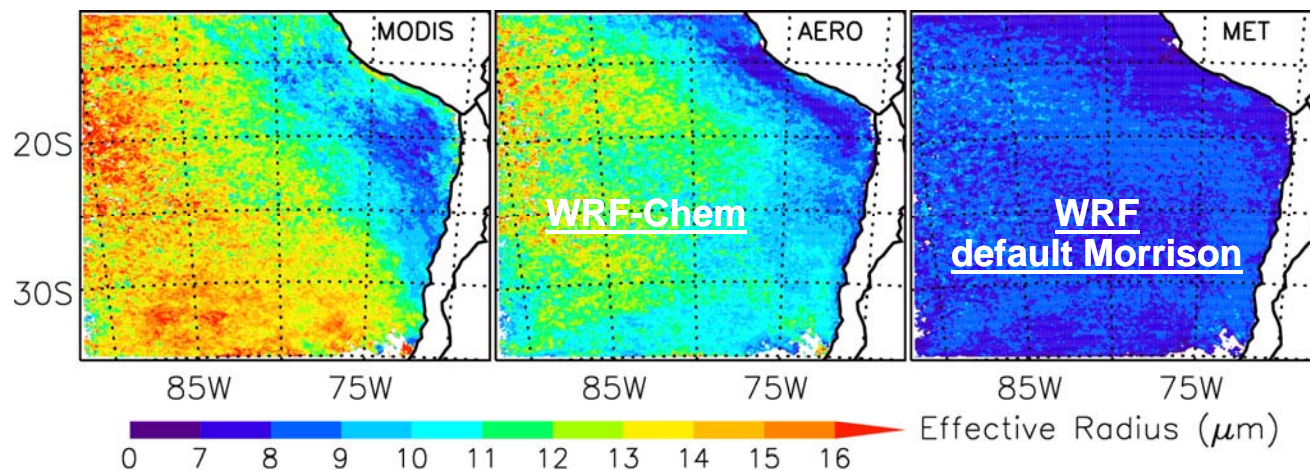
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## Other minor additions

- GOCART now also coupled with RRTMG for SW and LW (Stu Mc Keen)
- Additional option for dust only simulation – no chemistry
- Shallow convection (when using GD or G3 schemes) is being improved and evaluated
- Experimental very simple wet deposition scheme is in V3.3 and is being evaluated
- More general emissions input



# Volcanic ash in WRF- Chem V3.3

Collaboration with University of Alaska in Fairbanks  
as well as INPE/CPTEC in Brazil,  
Publications in progress

New module available in prep\_chem\_sources that  
contains the Mastin et al. dataset (more than  
1500 volcanoes) and provides collocation of the  
volcano at the nearest model grid box

## 10 size bins for prediction of ash-fall and transport of volcanic ash

Particle Size Bin	Phi	Percentage of mass
1 – 2mm	-1 – 0	2
0.5 – 1 mm	0 – 1	4
0.25 – 0.5 mm	1 – 2	11
125 – 250 $\mu\text{m}$	2 – 3	9
62.5 – 125 $\mu\text{m}$	3 – 4	9
31.25 – 62.5 $\mu\text{m}$	4 – 5	13
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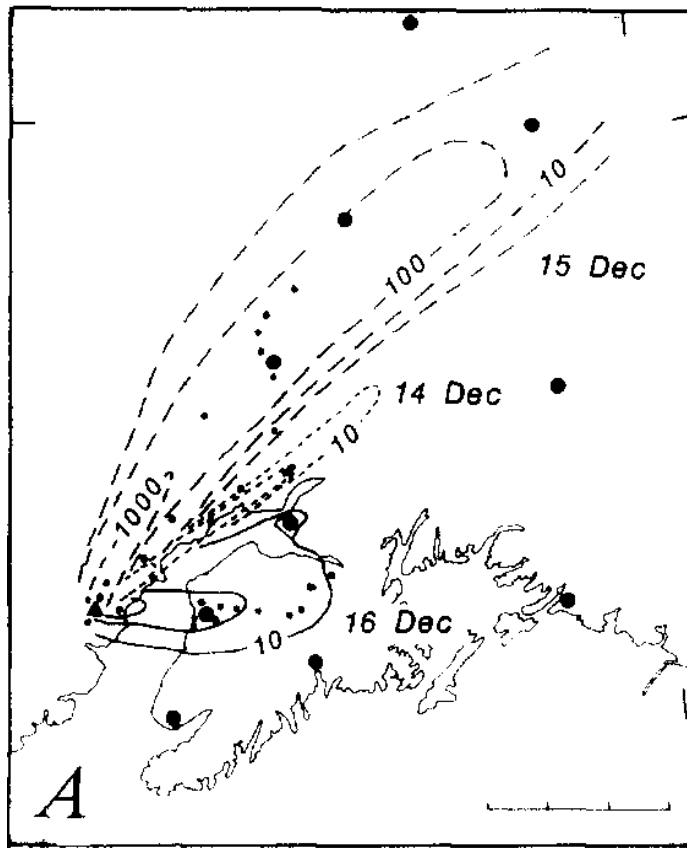
## 4 size bins for prediction if transport only is of interest

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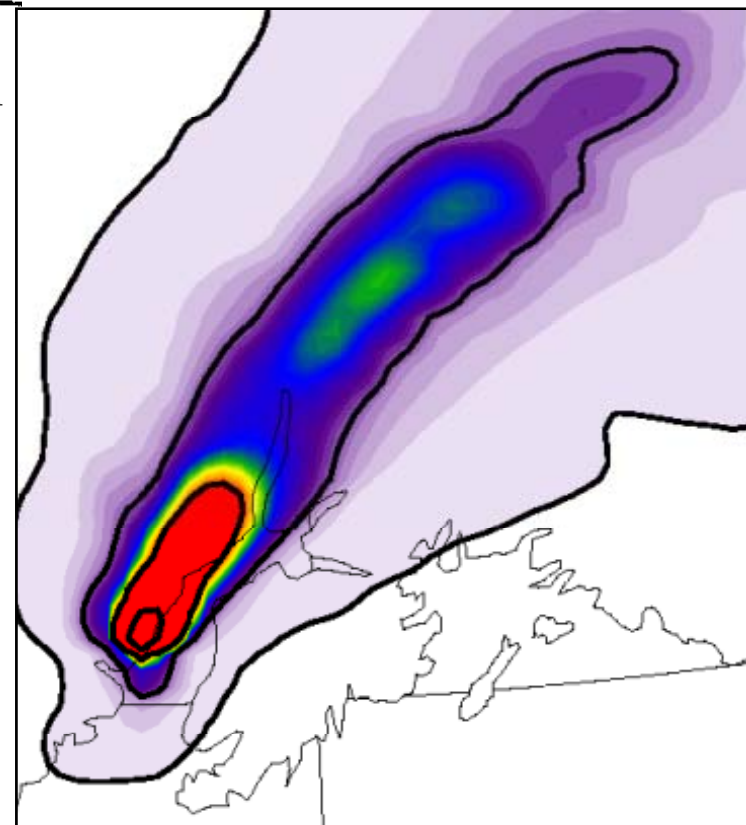
# Volcanic ash

- **What we get in real-time application:** info that a volcano has erupted, with name and time, some Satellite info possible
- **Initial emissions** based on Mastin et al data set (includes 1523 Volcanoes, injection height and total mass of injected ash)
- May be adjusted with radar or Satellite observations
- Transport includes sub-grid scales (PBL, Convection), also settling, wet and dry deposition

*Tephra-fall deposits (g/m<sup>2</sup>)*  
*Redoubt Volcano, south-central Alaska*  
*December 15, 1989*



Observed

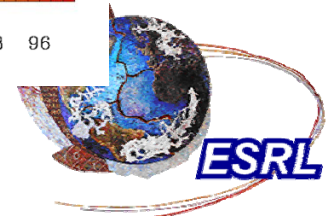


VOLCANIC ASH FALL (g/m<sup>2</sup>)

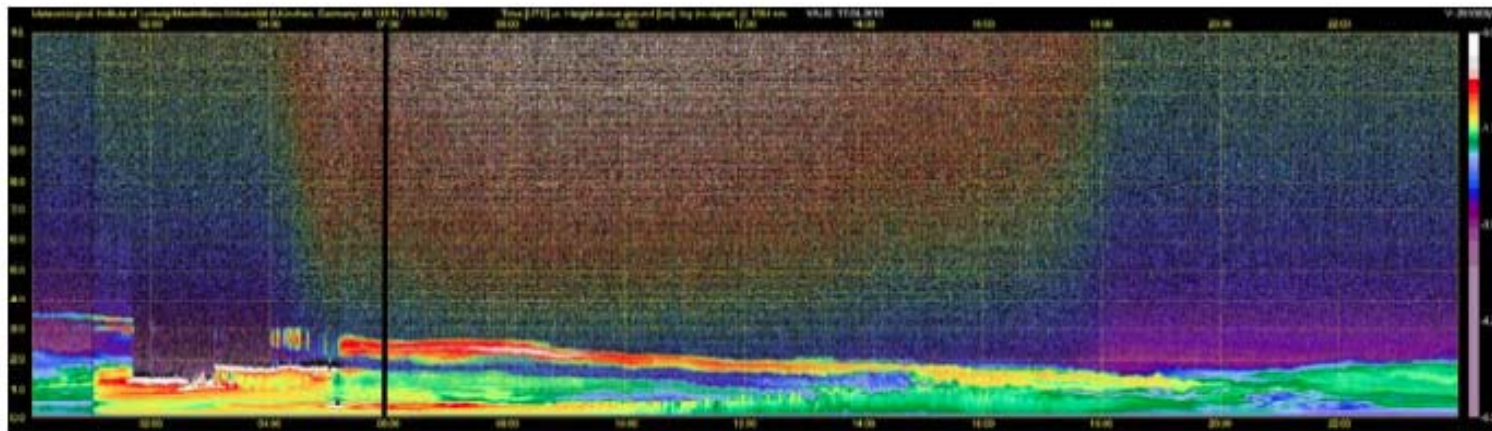


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Predicted by WRF-Chem,  
using **RR setup**



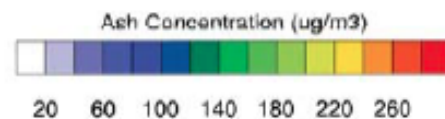
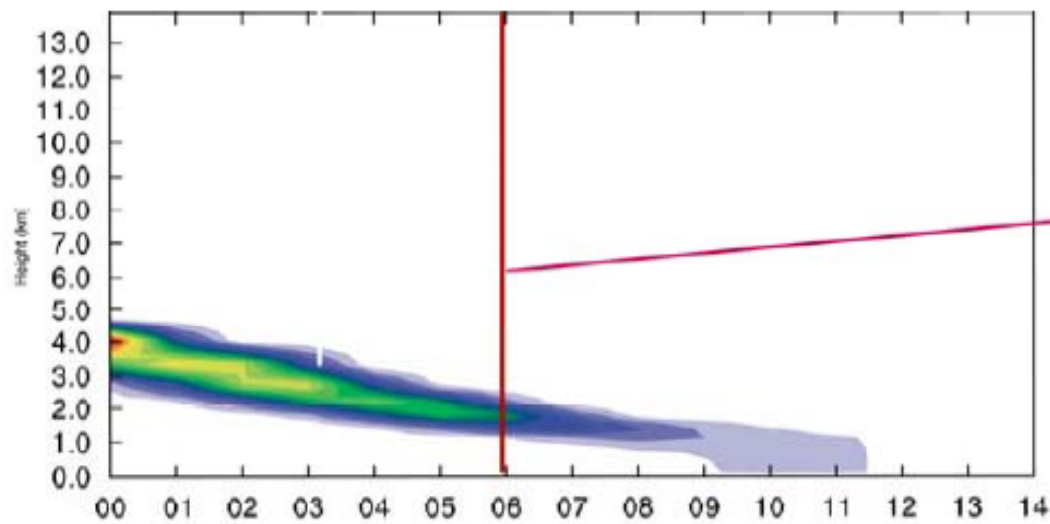
# Forecast compared to Munich Lidar, April 17, 06Z



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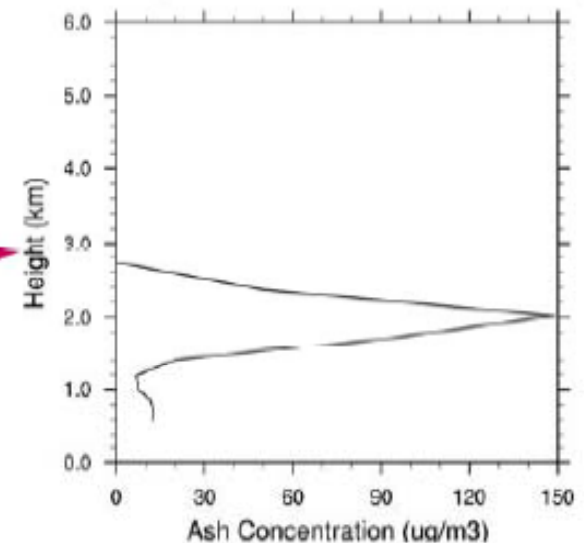
Munich at 48.148 Lat 11.573 long, total ash April 17

Lid, 2010-04-17\_06:00:00



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C



## **Additional Fire Emissions Preprocessor “Fire\_Emis”**

- For creating wrffirechemi\_<domain> files when running WRF-Chem with online plume rise. Emissions are based on the NCAR Fire Model (FINN; C. Wiedinmyer). Download from <http://www.acd.ucar.edu/wrf-chem/>
- For MOZART, SAPRC, or GEOS-Chem specification
- Currently only used by MOZART – other chem options will be added



# Further modifications to prep\_chem\_sources

- biomass burning from GFDV<sub>3.1</sub>
- anthropogenic emissions from EDGAR 4.1
- Volcanic ash
- also works with icosahedral global grid

## Chemical data assimilation: ARW-WRF/Chem and GSI

- Assimilation of AOD (Zhiquan Liu, NCAR talk on Thursday in WRF-Chem session) and surface PM data (Mariusz Pagowski), using WRF-Chem was included in GSI
- Used at ESRL in Rapid Refresh framework (dx=13km for North American Grid)
- Also used for High Resolution Rapid Refresh (HRRR-chem-fire, dx=3km over western US)

## WRF/Chem ongoing and future work – PNNL

- Continued work on cloud-aerosol interactions
- new aerosol model is planned (MOSAIC-ext), that simulates the evolution of the transition between internal and external aerosol mixing states
- ice-aerosol interactions to be included

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<http://www.pnl.gov/atmospheric/research/aci/amt/index.stm>

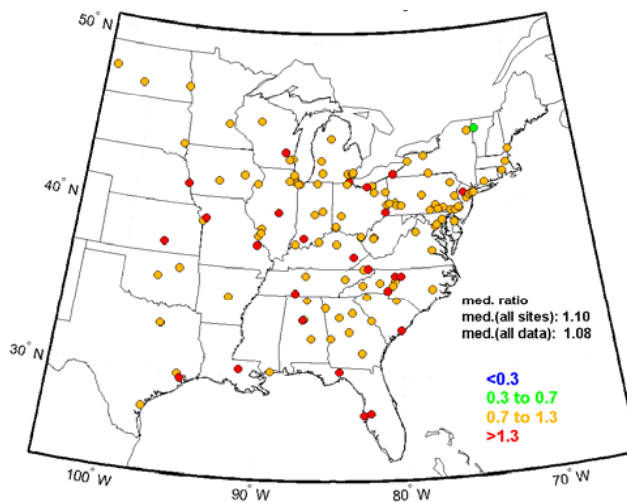
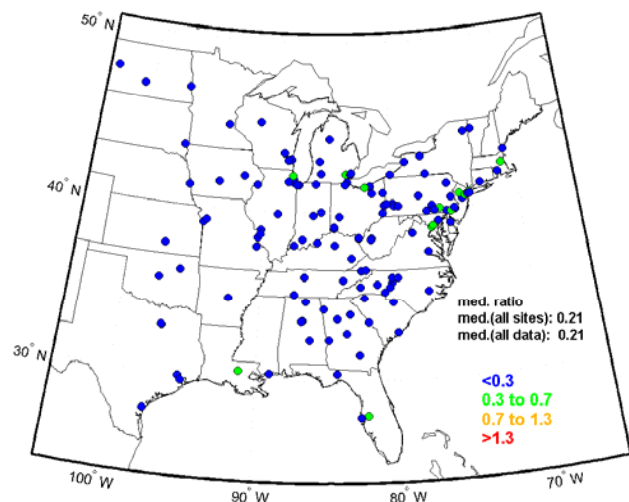
- Some of the Analysis Toolkit Software available via the web site
- MILAGRO test bed data is finished,
- CHAPS, VOCALS, ISDAC/ARCTAS, CARES/CalNex integrated datasets (field campaign + routine monitoring) planned for the future

# WRF/Chem current and future work – NCAR/ACD

- Add wet scavenging of gases (see talk by Gabi Pfister, Thursday, June 23)
- Improve SOA gas chemistry and add SOA aqueous chemistry (likely to be hooked with MOZCART)
- **Upper Chemical Boundary Conditions**  
Chemical UBC are taken from WACCM climatology for past, present and future (talk by M. Barth et al., Thursday, June 23)
- **Reduced Chemistry**  
Implemented reduced chemical mechanism (Howeling et al., 1998); useful for long climate runs and compatible with CAM-Chem (-> talk by Jerome Fast in Physics Section, Thursday, June 23)
- **Aircraft Tracking Tool**  
Enables output for specified location in model time steps

# WRF/Chem current and future work – ESRL/GSD, CSD

- Simple aqueous chemistry and wet deposition for resolved precipitation as well as convective parameterization (CMAQ module), see also talk by Ravan Ahamadov, WRF-Chem session)
- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions module- Includes a high spatiotemporal resolution biospheric flux model –Vegetation and Photosynthesis (uses MODIS reflectances as input)
- SOA: the volatility basis set approach has been coupled with modal aerosol scheme



# WRF/Chem current and future work – ESRL + other groups

- CH<sub>4</sub> emissions module
  - Different CH<sub>4</sub> tracers (anthropogenic, biospheric, ...)
  - Several CH<sub>4</sub> flux models are implemented: Wetland fluxes (Kaplan, 2002), Soil uptake (Ridgwell et al., 1999), Termite fluxes (Sanderson, 1996)
- Dust parameterization from AFWA (S. Jones and G. Creighton) is working and is being evaluated
- Aerosols will be coupled with convective parameterization (G3, collaboratively with S. Freitas)
- Volcanic SO<sub>2</sub> emissions will be added this summer
- Using WPS to run WRF-Chem off global FIM-Chem

*Plumerise will be modified:  
including the environmental wind effect on cloud scale dilution- governing equations*

dynamics for  
W

dynamics for  
U

thermo-  
dynamics

water\_vapor\_  
conservation

cloud water  
conservation

rain/ice  
conservation

equation for  
radius size

bulk  
microphysics

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = \gamma g B - \frac{2\alpha}{R} w^2 - \delta_{entr} w$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = -\frac{2\alpha}{R} |w| (u - u_e) - \delta_{entr} (u - u_e)$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + w \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = -w \frac{g}{c_p} - \frac{2\alpha}{R} |w| (T - T_e) + \left( \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} \right)_{micro-physics} - \delta_{entr} (T - T_e)$$

$$\frac{\partial r_v}{\partial t} + w \frac{\partial r_v}{\partial z} = -\frac{2\alpha}{R} |w| (r_v - r_{ve}) + \left( \frac{\partial r_v}{\partial t} \right)_{micro-physics} - \delta_{entr} (r_v - r_{ve})$$

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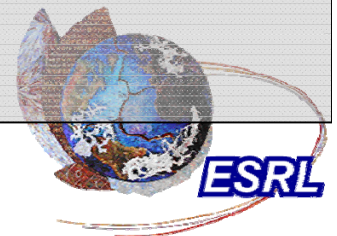
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$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial t} + w \frac{\partial R}{\partial z} = +\frac{6\alpha}{5R} |w| R + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{entr} R$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t} \right)_{micro-physics} (\xi = T, r_v, r_c, r_{rain}, r_{ice}), \text{ sedim} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{bulk microphysics:} \\ \text{Kessler, 1969; Berry, 1967} \\ \text{Ogura \& Takahashi, 1971} \end{array} \right.$$

*dynamic entrainment*

$$\delta_{entr} = \frac{2}{\pi R} |u_e - u|$$



*Thank you!*

*Chem session is Thursday morning if you  
would like to find out more, posters are  
Wednesday afternoon*

