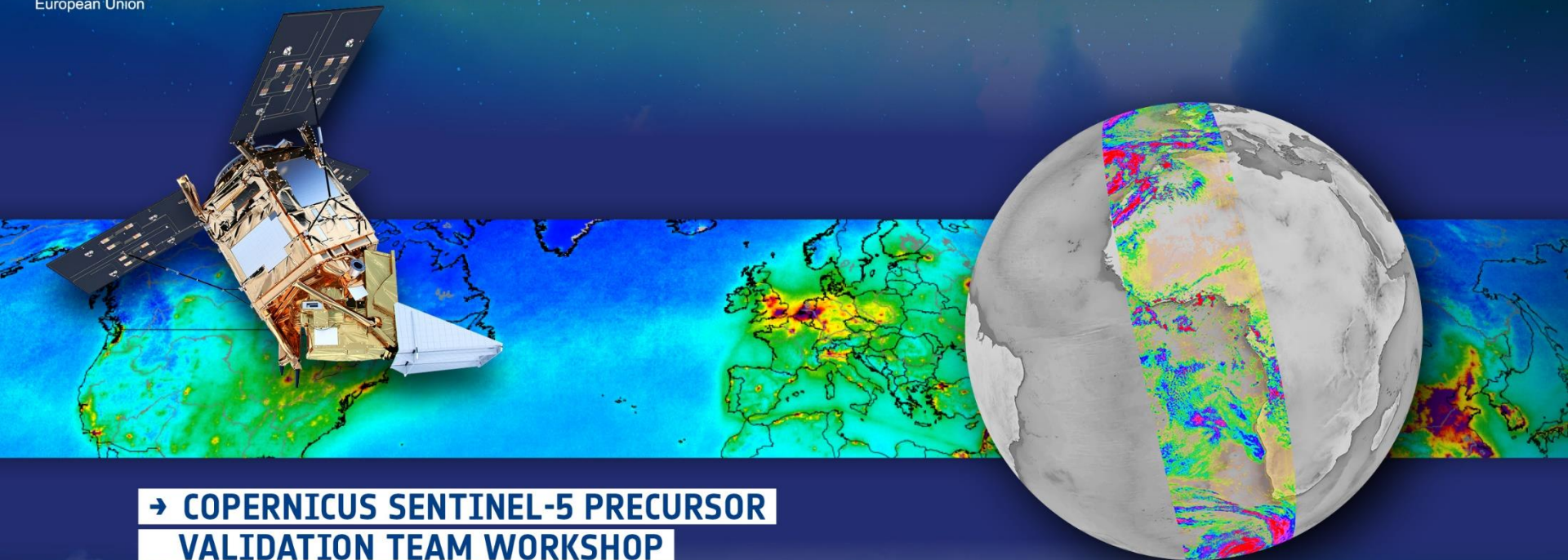




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Effect of Urban Boundary-layer turbulence on NO₂ concentrations retrieved from Pandora-2S: implications for TROPOMI validation

Boundary-layer **A**ir **Q**uality analysis **U**sing **N**etwork of **I**Nstruments (**BAQUNIN**) team:

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BAQUNIN Super-site Structure



BAQUNIN super site components:

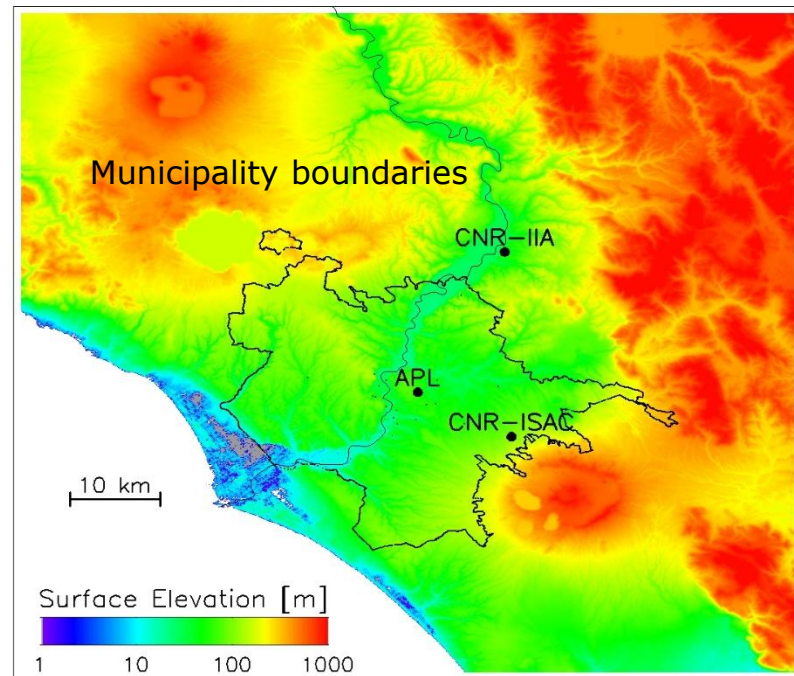
- **Urban** (APL – Phys. Dep. Sapienza, Rome)
- **Semi-rural** (CNR-ISAC, Tor Vergata)
- **Rural** (CNR-IIA, Montelibretti)

Each component is hosting at least one **Pandora**⁽¹⁾ instrument and, as for APL, a large number of other atmospheric remote sensing devices.

The position of the three components, shown in the figure, allows for an effective monitoring of the atmosphere in Tiber Valley and over the city of Rome.

(1) Pandonia Global Network (PGN)
<https://pandonia-global-network.org/>

Thanks to LuftBlick Team for invaluable support!



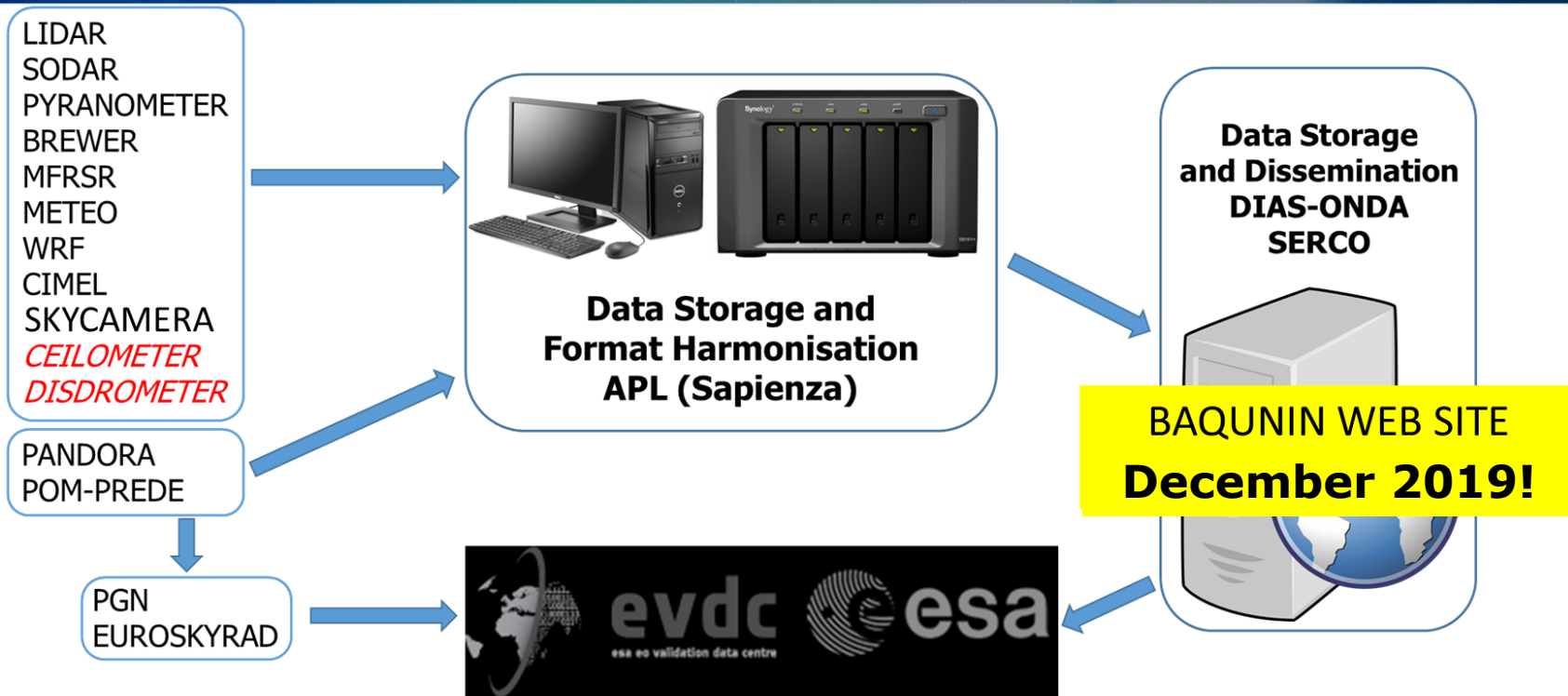
BAQUNIN Instrumental Suite (currently available)



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Instrument red => active	Owner	Site	Operation Conditions	Range (m.a.s.l.)	Dz (m)	Spectral Range / wavelengths	Observables	Since
SODAR	APL	APL	Day/Night	100 – 900	15	4450.75, 4650.75, 4840.75 Hz	PBL winds and turbulence	1990
Brewer-EUBREWNET	APL	APL	Day	Column	N/A	O3: 310.1-320.0 nm NO2: 426-453 nm UV: 290-325 nm	Radiance, trace gases	1992
MFRSR	APL	APL	Day	Column	N/A	940, 870, 673, 615, 500, 415 nm	Radiance, aerosols, trace gases	2004
POM- SKYRAD	CNR-ISAC	APL CNR-ISAC	Day	Column	N/A	1020, 940, 870, 670, 500, 440, 340 nm	Radiance, aerosols, water vapour	2010
Meteo station	Clim. Cons.	APL	Day/Night	In situ	N/A	N/A	Air temperature and humidity	2014
LIDAR	APL ESA	APL	Day/Night	300 – 20000	7.5	Elastic: 1064, 532, 355 nm Polarised: 532 nm Raman: 407, 386 nm	Aerosols, water vapour, clouds	2015
WRF	Sard. Clim.	ESRIN	Day/Night	0-20000	39 levs	N/A	Meteorological variables	2015
Pandora- PGN	ESA	APL CNR-ISAC CNR-IIA	Day/Night (Moon)	Column	N/A	290-520 and 400-900 nm	Radiance, trace gases, aerosols	2016
CIMEL- AERONET	Univ. Lille	APL	Day	Column	N/A	1640, 1020, 870, 675, 500, 440, 388, 340 nm	Aerosols, water vapour	2016
All Sky Camera	ESA	APL	Day/Night	N/A	N/A	RGB	Clouds	2018
Pyranometer	ESA	APL	Day	Column	N/A	285 – 3000 nm	Radiance, clouds	2018
Ceilometer	APL	APL	Day/Night	100 – 6000	N/A	Elastic: 904 nm	Clouds, aerosols	2020
Disdrometer	APL	APL	Day/Night	In situ	N/A	N/A	Rain	2020
FTIR EM-27	CNR-ISAC	APL	Day/Night	Slant Column	N/A	700 – 2200 cm ⁻¹ (4.5 – 14 mm)	PBL GHG	2020

BAQUNIN Data Flow



TROPOMI NO₂ (offline) average field



TROPOMI NO₂ concentration in the Tiber valley Nov18-Jun19

This map shows a **8** months average of NO₂ Total Columns obtained from cloud-free/high-quality TROPOMI measurements (3.5 x 7 km², 13:30 UTC). The output grid resolution is 1x1 km².

The BAQUIN “chemical” instruments (Pandora) are located at:

APL => Pan#117

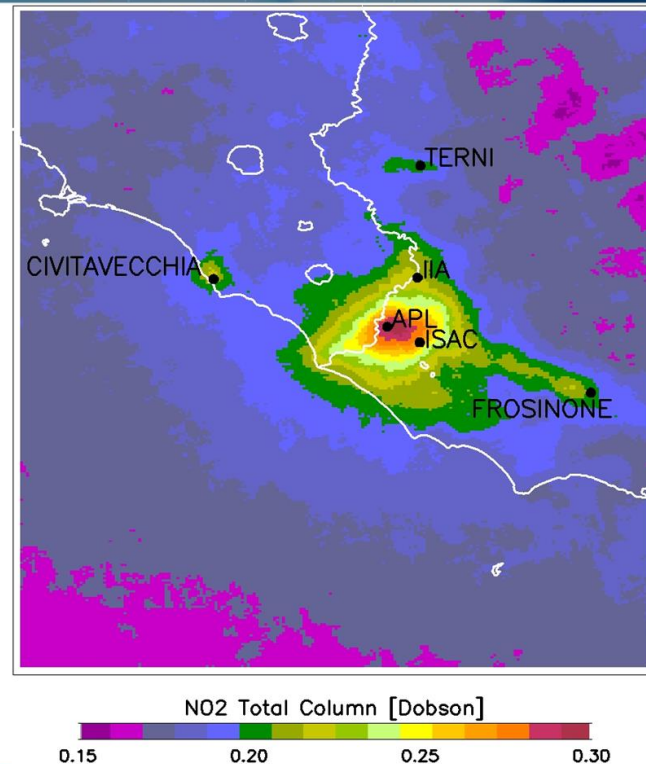
CNR-ISAC=> Pan#115

CNR-IIA => Pan#138

Apart from the **Rome** area, significant NO₂ values are found in the **Sacco** Valley, where **Frosinone** is clearly detectable.

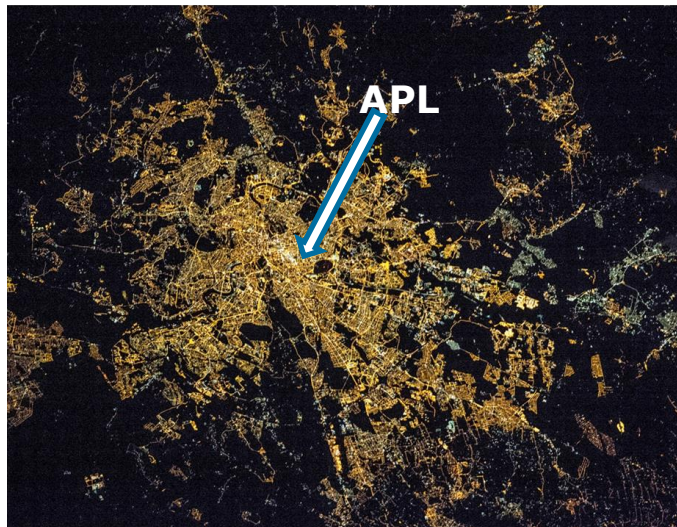
Civitavecchia is a significant source of NO₂ (ships?).

Terni shows slightly enhanced NO₂ values (steelworks?).



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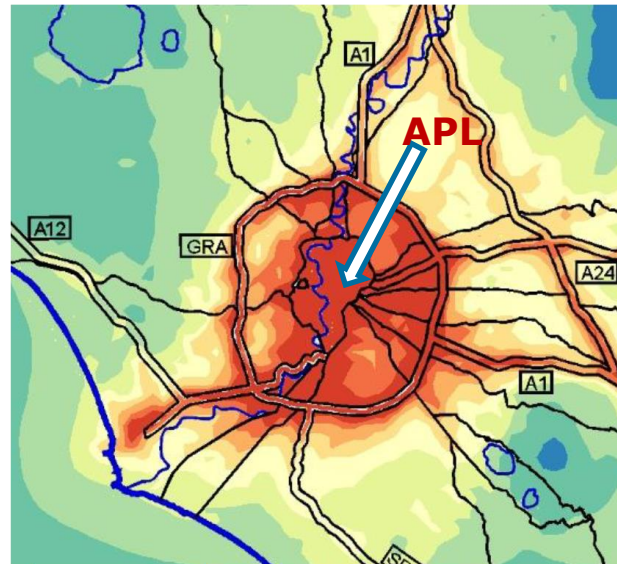
Rome by night



RAMS/WRF + dispersion + photochemistry (1x1 km²), **Surface NO₂**

<http://www.arpalazio.net/main/aria/doc/pubblicazioni.php>

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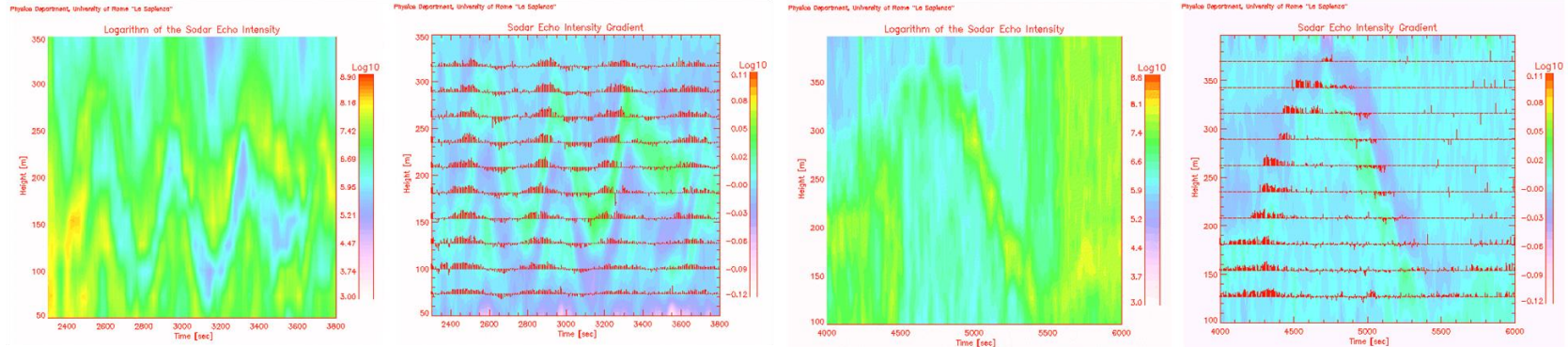
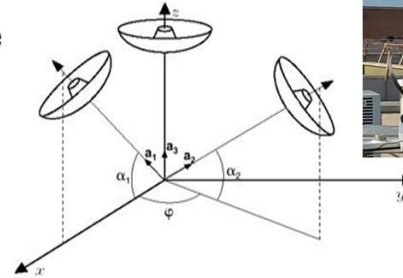


2016 statistics	Private cars	Motorcycles	Buses	Commercial	Special	Farm tractors	Total
Registered	1 759 601	394 871	7 404	141 165	36 324	3 965	2 343 330

APL-SODAR data since 1990

Reflection of Sound Signals in the Troposphere

G. W. GILMAN, H. B. COXHEAD, AND F. H. WILLIS
Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., New York, New York
(Received July 16, 1946)



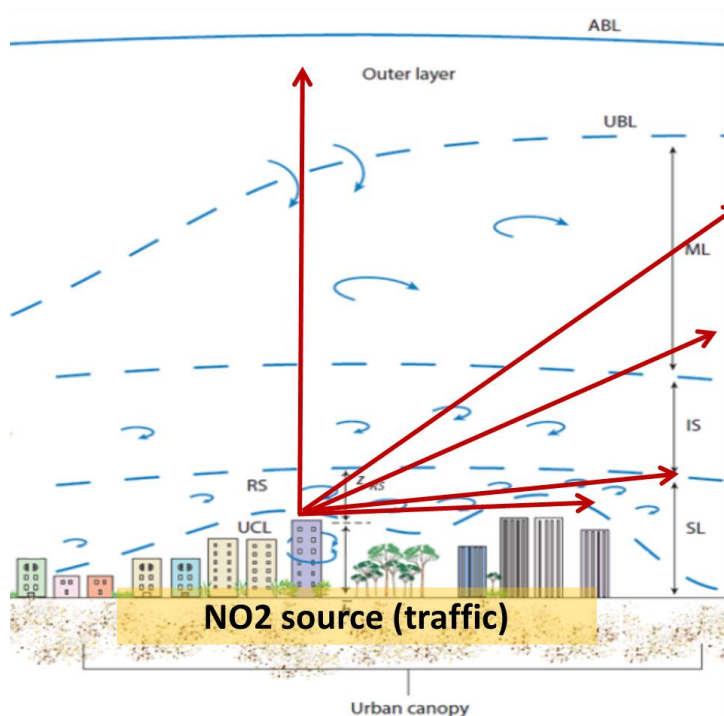
Courtesy P. Castracane

Between November 2018 and June 2019, PAN#117 performed sequences of MaxDOAS (Sky) measurement scans at 6 fixed pointing azimuth angles, i.e. **0, 60, 120, 180, 240** and **300** degrees North.

For each scan, Surface (**SC**) and Troposphere (**TC**) concentrations of NO₂ and H₂O are estimated (+uncertainties).
The time required to complete the six sky measurements and two Direct Sun measurements is about 40 minutes.

The SODAR horizontal wind speed profiles are vertically averaged over the first 100 m (above the instrument) to estimate a Urban Surface Layer wind speed (U). SODAR data are time-collocated with PAN#117 MaxDOAS scans ($\Delta t < 1\text{min}$).

Pandora #117 Sky (MaxDOAS) setup



MaxDOAS (Sky) zenith angles:
0, 60, 75, 88, 89 deg

Retrieved quantities:
H₂O and NO₂
Surface Concentration (SC)
Tropospheric Column (TC)

Urban Boundary Layer (UBL)

- Mixed Layer (ML)
- Inertial Sublayer (IS)
- Surface Layer (SL)
 - Roughness Sublayer (RS)
 - Urban Canopy Layer (UCL)

Pandora NO2 vs. SODAR wind speed (1)



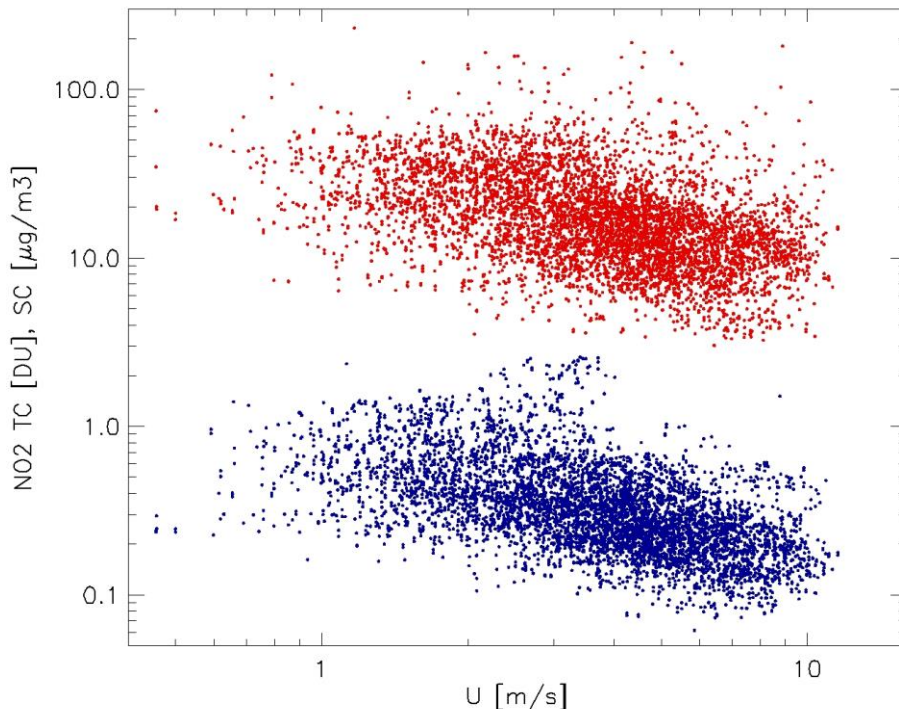
Data selection criteria

SZA < **70** deg

NO2 random unc < **50%** (SC&TC)

SODAR profiles up to **200** m asl

All valid data are used (no seasonal analysis)



Pandora NO2 vs. SODAR wind speed (2)



$$C = C_0 \cdot U^\alpha$$

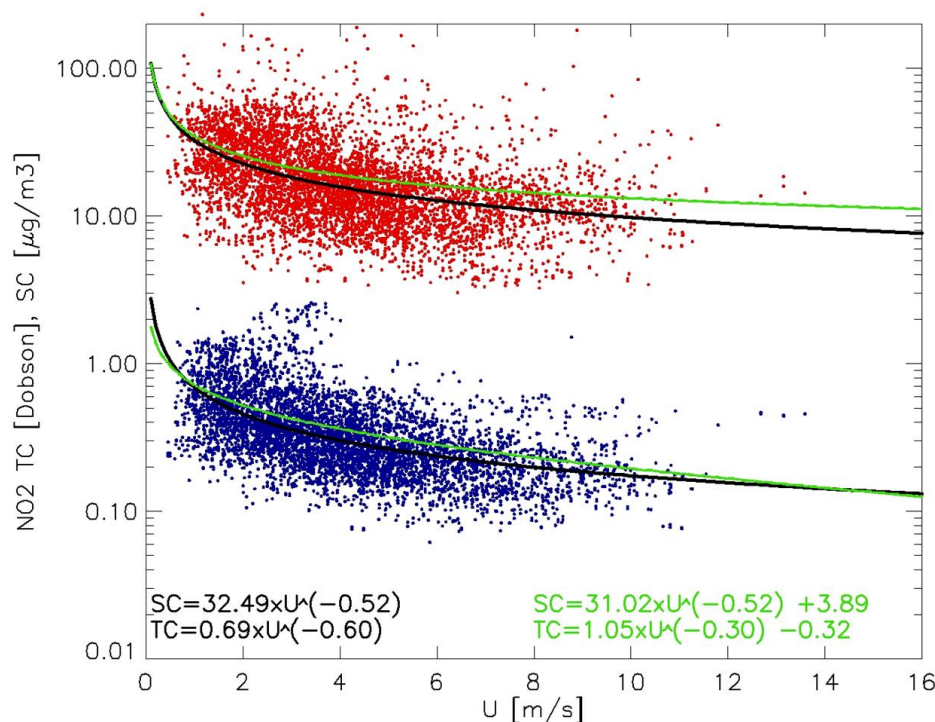
$$C = C_0 \cdot U^\alpha + C_\infty$$

C = TC [Dobson] or SC [$\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$]

U = wind speed

$C_0 = C(U=1)$

$C_\infty = C(U \rightarrow \infty)$ (background)



Summary GEOMETRIC function parameters



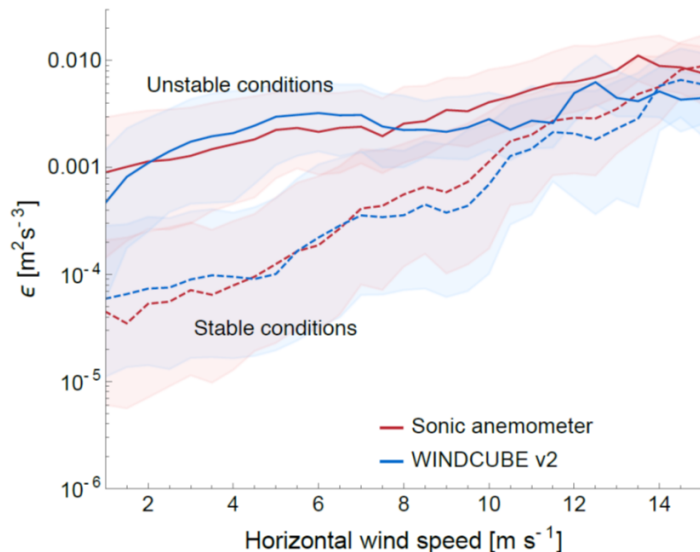
NO2	C_0	α	C_∞	Measurements
$C = C_0 \cdot U^\alpha$				
SC	32 [$\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$]	-0.52	-	Pandora + Sodar
TC	0.7 [Db]	-0.60	-	Pandora + Sodar
$C = C_0 \cdot U^\alpha + C_\infty$				
SC	31 [$\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$]	-0.52	3.9	Pandora + Sodar
SC (Grundstrom, 2015)	47 [$\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$]	-0.76	2.3	Chemilum. + ultrasonic anem.
TC	1.1 [Db]	-0.30	<u>-0.3</u>	Pandora + Sodar

M. Grundstrom et al., Atmospheric Environment 120 (2015) 317-327, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.atmosenv.2015.08.057>

Upward transport efficiency vs. wind speed



$$\frac{\partial TKE}{\partial t} = Ad + M + B + Tr - \epsilon$$



N. Bodini et al.: Turbulence dissipation rate from sonic anemometer and lidar during XPIA, Atmos. Meas. Tech., 11, 4291–4308, 2018

TKE = Turbulent Kinetic Energy (per unit mass, [$\text{m}^2 \text{s}^{-2}$])

Ad = advection of TKE by the mean wind

M = mechanical generation of turbulence (>0)

B = buoyant generation or consumption of turbulence

Tr = transport of turbulence energy by turbulence itself

ϵ = viscous dissipation rate (<0)

Strong wind => larger dissipation, smaller eddies,
reduced upward convection

Weak wind => higher UBLH (increases faster)
than with strong wind

Upward transport more efficient!

PAN#117-TROPOMI-OFFL NO2 comparison



V 10200 Nov18
V 10202 Nov18-Mar19
V 10300 Mar19-Apr19
V 10301 Apr19-Jun19

TROPOMI L2

VCD = SUMMED_TOTAL_COLUMN

TCD = TROPOSPHERIC_COLUMN

PANDORA #117

VCD = Direct Sun

TCD = MaxDOAS

Distance < 6 km (centre pixel)

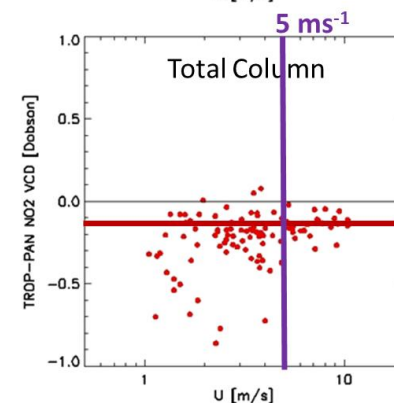
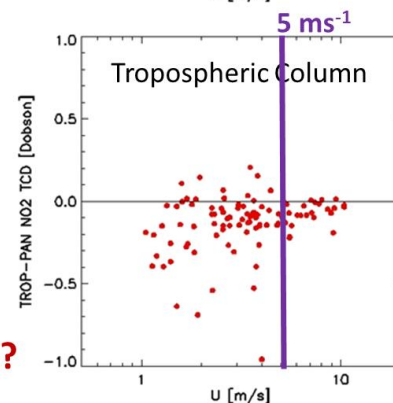
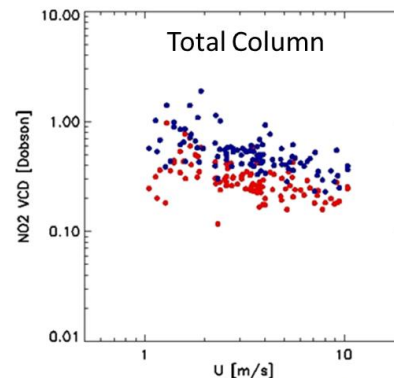
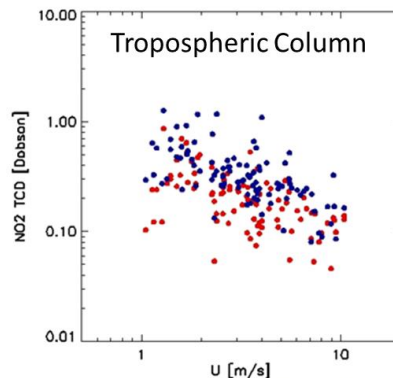
CF < 0.2

Dt < 1 hour

$U < 5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$: **PAN#117 » TROPOMI**

$U > 5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$: **PAN#117 ≈ TROPOMI**

VCD bias: Stratospheric Column issue?



-0.15?

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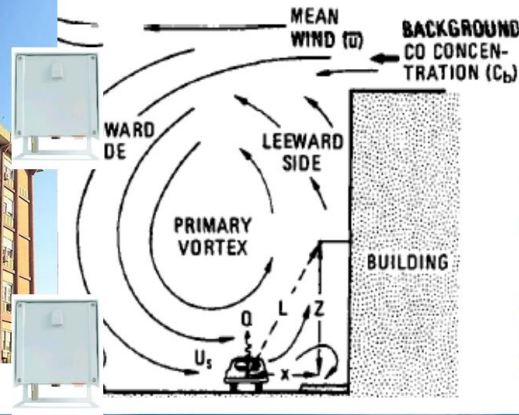
Next step: NO₂ from canopy to surface and mixed layers



- Operate in situ sensors (O₂, NO₂, PM_{2.5}, T, RH) at street level and top of building (30m)
- Pandora to perform MaxDOAS scans at fixed azimuth (probe atmosphere above in situ sensors)
- Operate SODAR as usual (time resolution = 1s, max altitude = 200 m above top of building)
- Estimate UBL similarity parameters (u^* , w^* , Z_i) from SODAR
- Estimate MLH from LIDAR

In addition, depending on available resources:

- Operate ceilometer at street level (instrument refurbishment)
- Operate sonic anemometer (top of building, TBD)



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Low-cost sensors and microscale land use regression: Data fusion to resolve air quality variations with high spatial and temporal resolution

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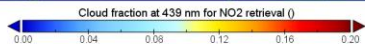
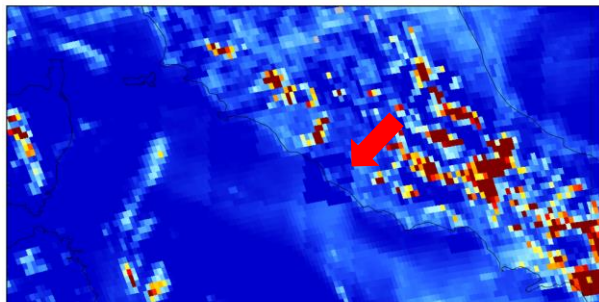
TROPOMI NO2 CF and AMF



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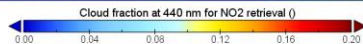
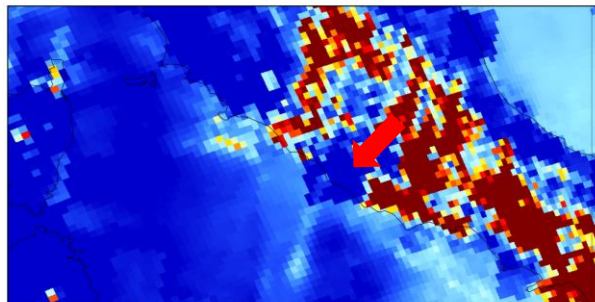
Cloud fraction at 439 nm for NO2 retrieval

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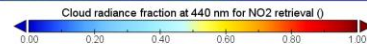
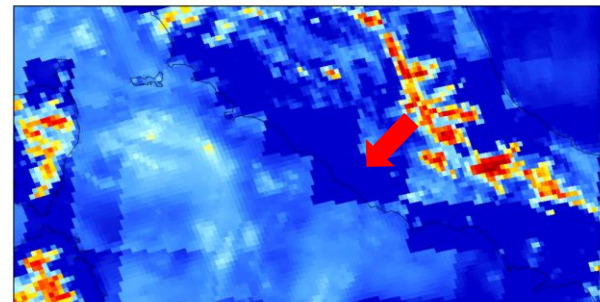
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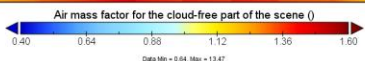
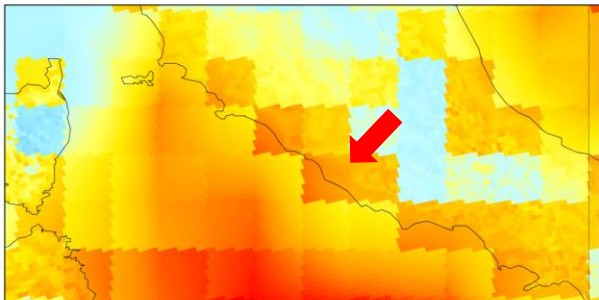
Cloud radiance fraction at 440 nm for NO2 retrieval

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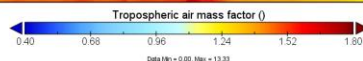
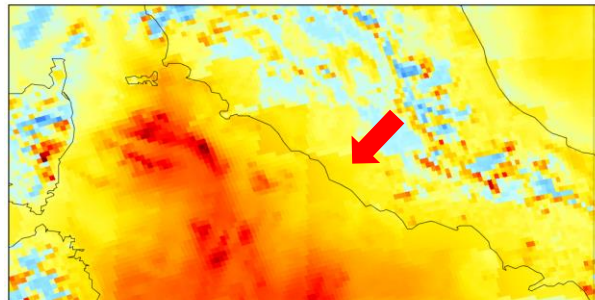
Air mass factor for the cloud-free part of the scene

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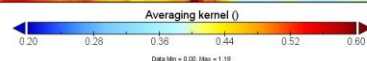
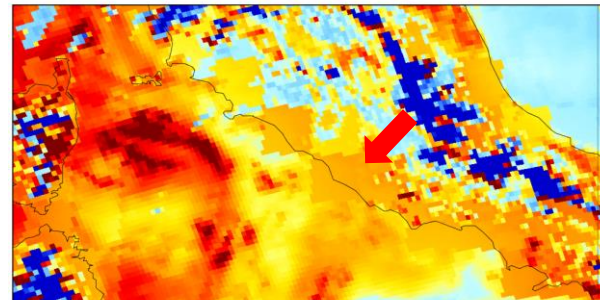
Tropospheric air mass factor

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Averaging kernel

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- ❑ Pan#117 operates in an urban environment (APL, Rome downtown), in synergy with a large number of other remote sensing and in situ devices (40m above traffic lane).
- ❑ Pandora Viewing geometry (zenith angles) do not include the urban canopy (NO₂ source).
- ❑ The estimated NO₂ values are tightly linked to the efficiency of the turbulent upward transport from the canopy layer, showing a significant dependence on wind intensity.
- ❑ TROPOMI NO₂ TC and VCD show smaller (yet significant) dependency on wind speed.
- ❑ Results of the comparison between TROPOMI and PAN#117 NO₂ concentrations are, by consequence, wind speed dependant:
 - $U < 5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$: **PAN#117 » TROPOMI**
 - $U > 5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$: **PAN#117 ≈ TROPOMI**

In the next months we will:

1. Analyse seasonality of wind-NO₂ correlation (including Jul-Aug-Sep 2019 data)
2. TROPOMI CF and AK Rome area, increased resolution
3. Set-up experiment to quantify the impact of boundary layer stability on upward transport of NO₂ from urban canopy to upper layers (1 full year)

UBL turbulence and Pandora NO2 retrievals



Thanks for your attention!

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