

# Nitrogen Dioxide monitoring by synergy of remote sensing and surface concentration data in an Italian central region

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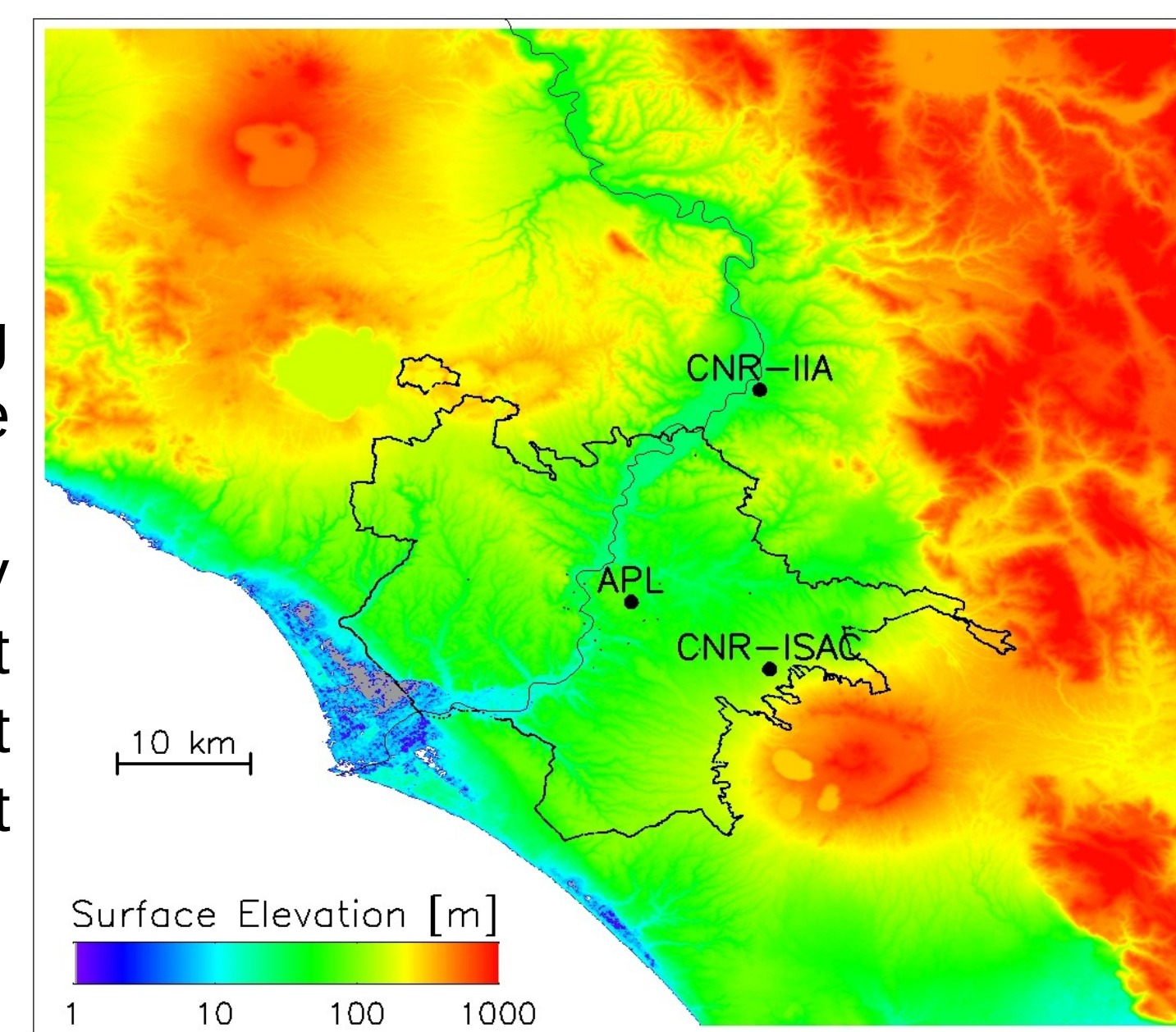


Nitrogen dioxide in Lazio region  
- Tropospheric vertical column density (VCD)  
Pandora & TROPOMI  
- Surface concentration  
In situ stations & Pandora

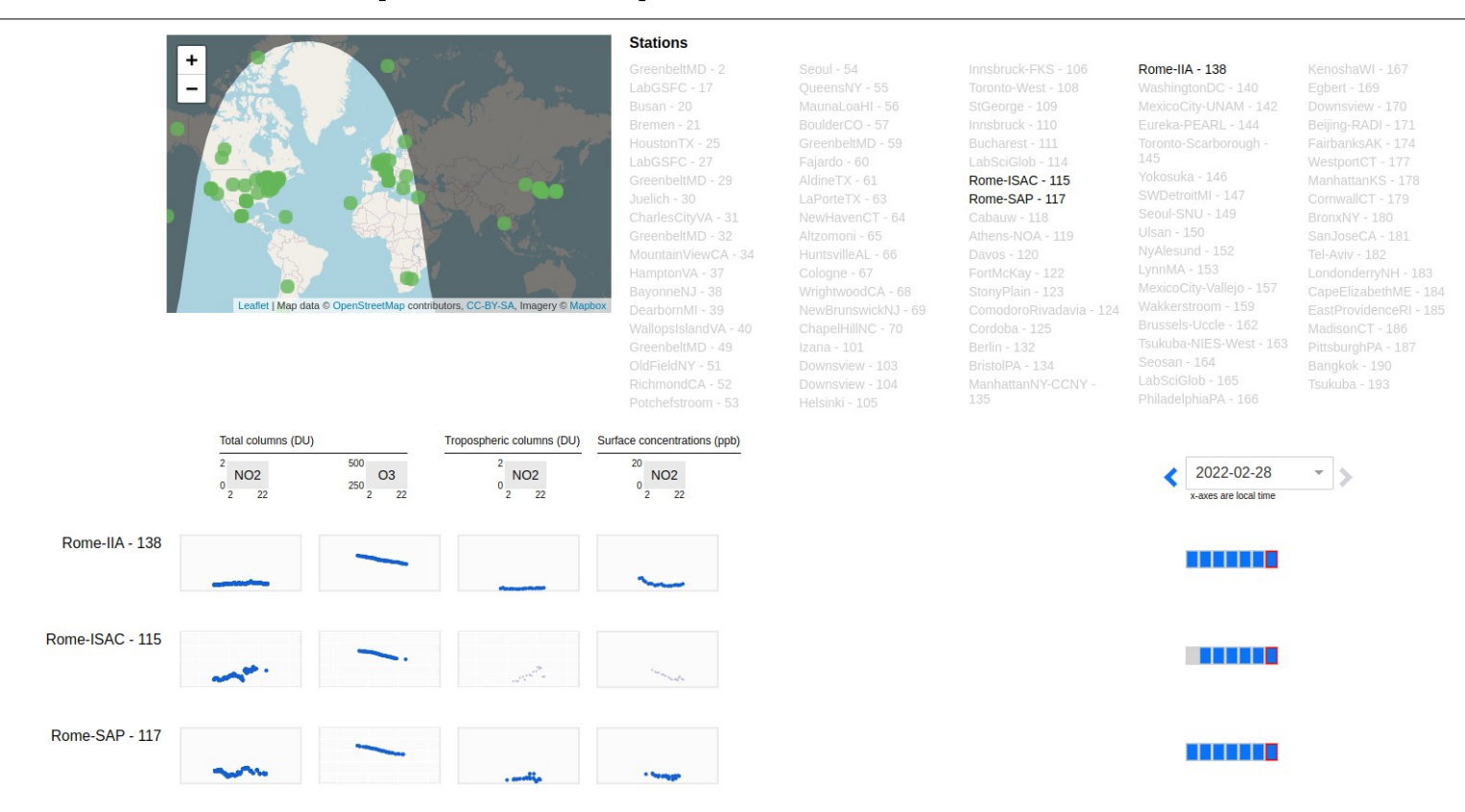
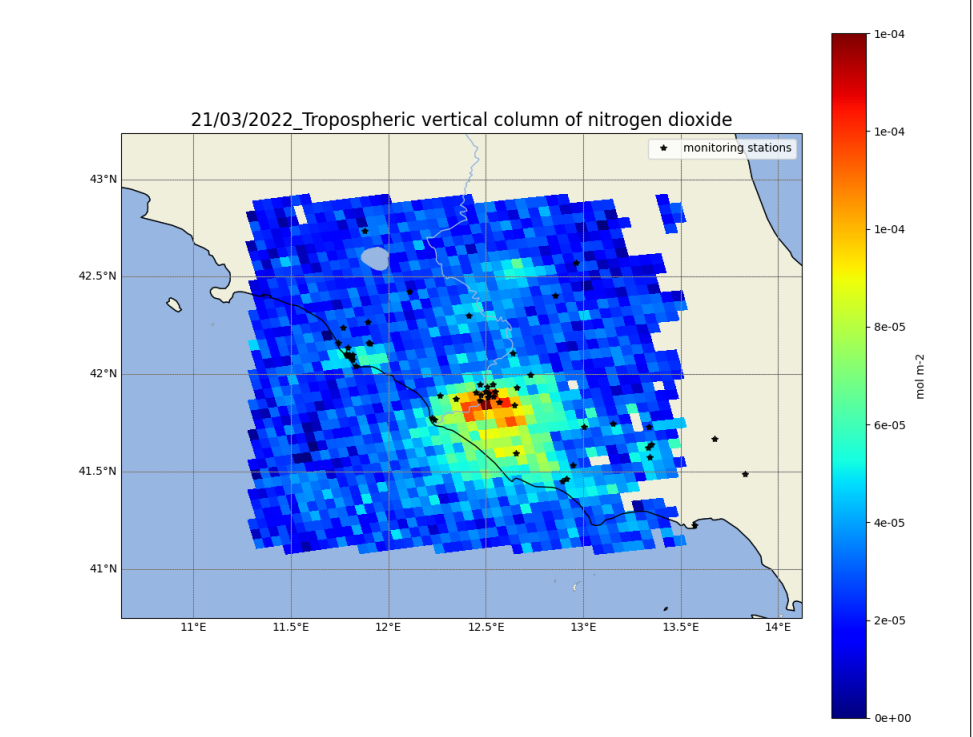


<https://www.baqunin.eu/>

Boundary-layer Air Quality-analysis Using  
Network of Instruments (**BAQUIN**) Super-Site



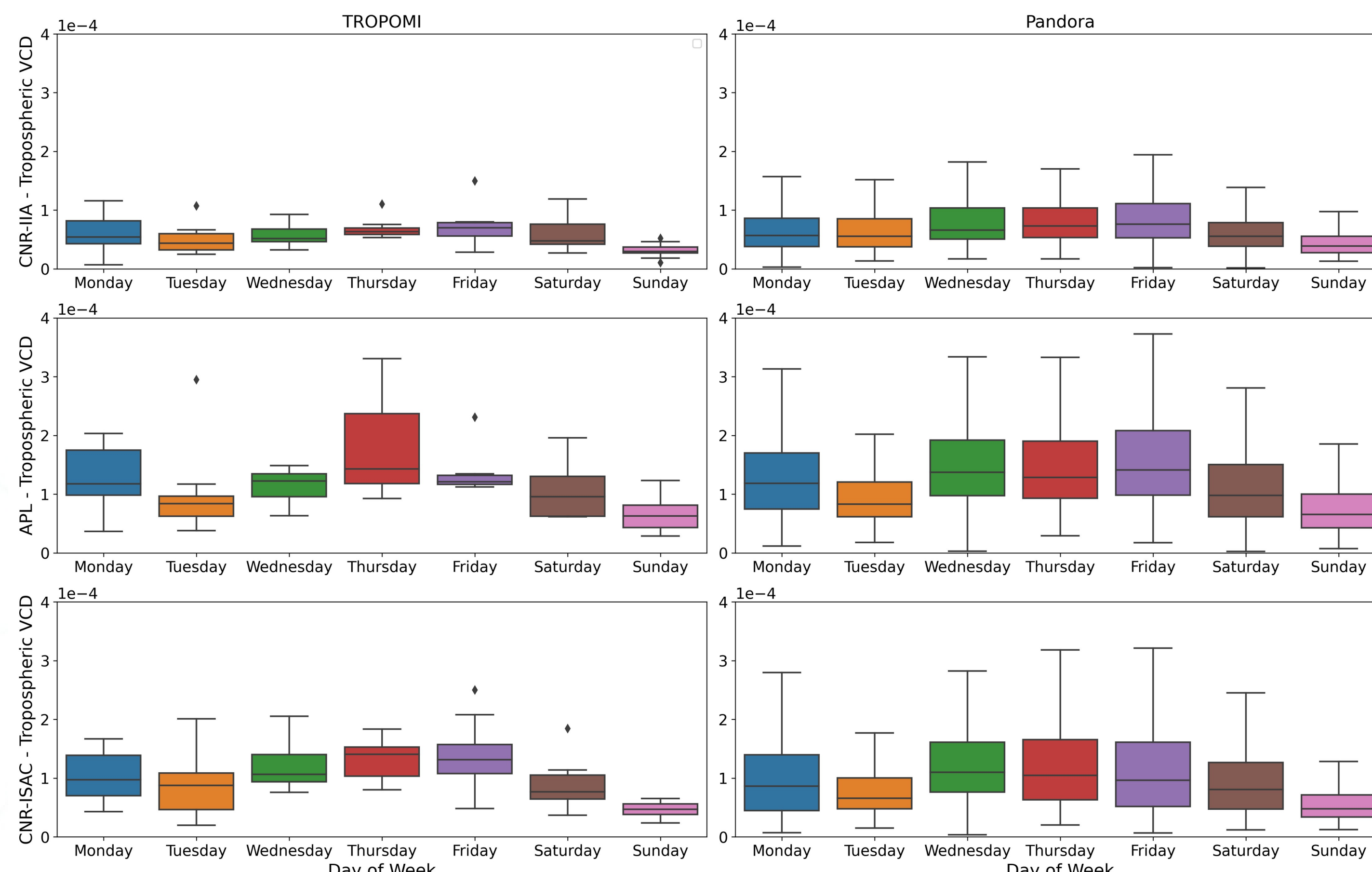
--- **Time series** of tropospheric VCD (mol/m2) <https://www.pandonia-global-network.org/>



Urban to rural along the Tiber Valley  
APL ==> Urban environment  
CNR-ISAC ==> Semi-rural environment  
CNR-IIA ==> Rural environment

--- **Weekly pattern** of tropospheric VCD (mol/m2)

TROPOMI - Pandora at BAQUIN sites, weekly pattern



TROPOMI & Pandora show the typical weekly pattern with a decrease of compound during the weekend.

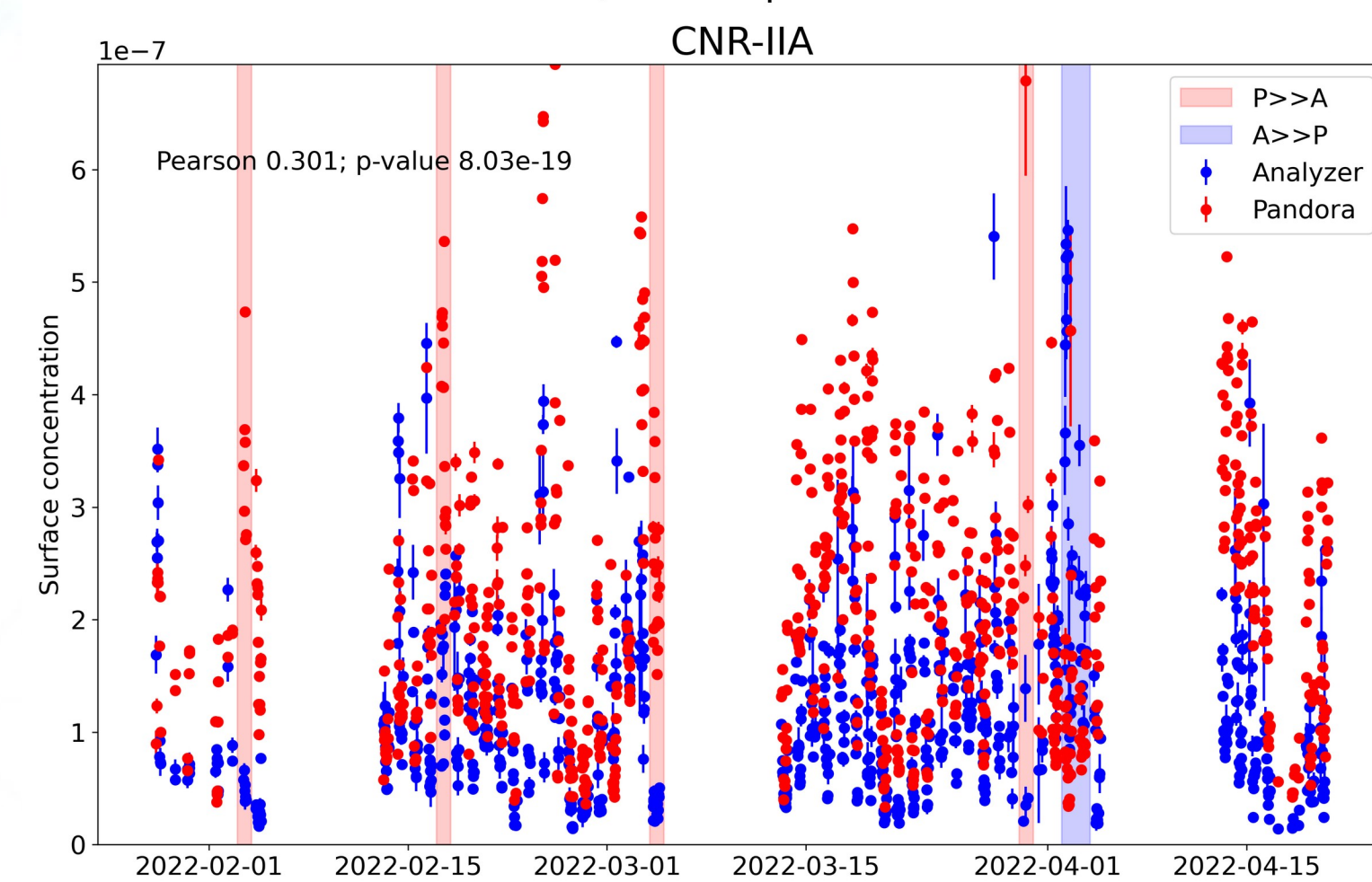
Under study:  
- Workday. A decrease in VCD is shown on Tuesday in the three components of BAQUININ.  
- Workday. A VCD variability on Thursday is shown especially in the urban component (APL)  
- Weekend. The decreasing trend is highlighted in all the three components

--- **Daily & weekly pattern** of surface concentration (mol/m3) – rural component of BAQUININ supersite



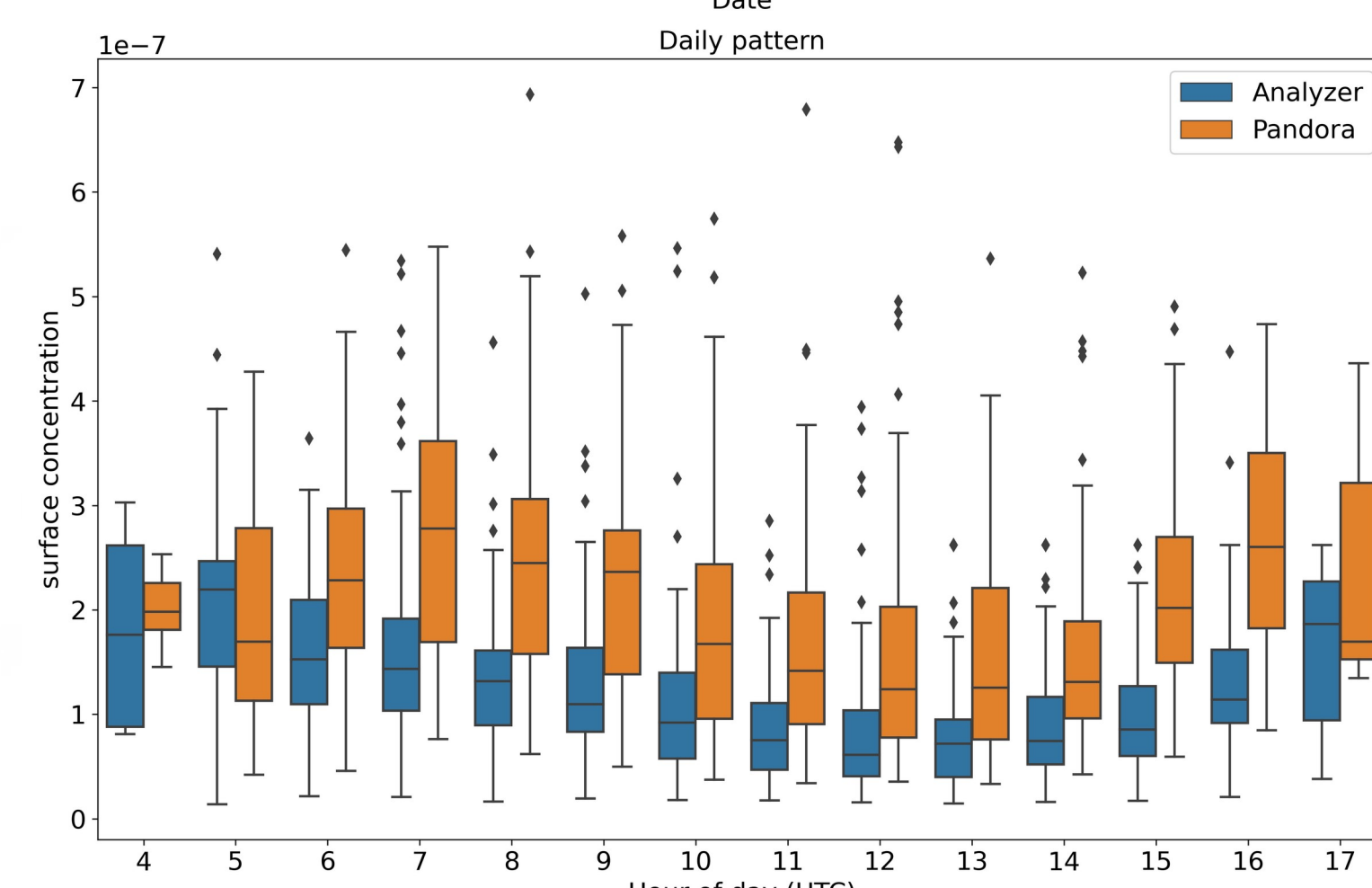
Time series of surface concentration retrieved by Pandora and measured by the analyzer, show similar behaviour.

Under study:  
- Red shaded area ( $P > A$ ). Days with surface concentration of Pandora much higher than measured by analyzer.  
- Blue shaded area ( $A > P$ ). Days with the surface concentration of Pandora lower than the concentration measured by analyzer.



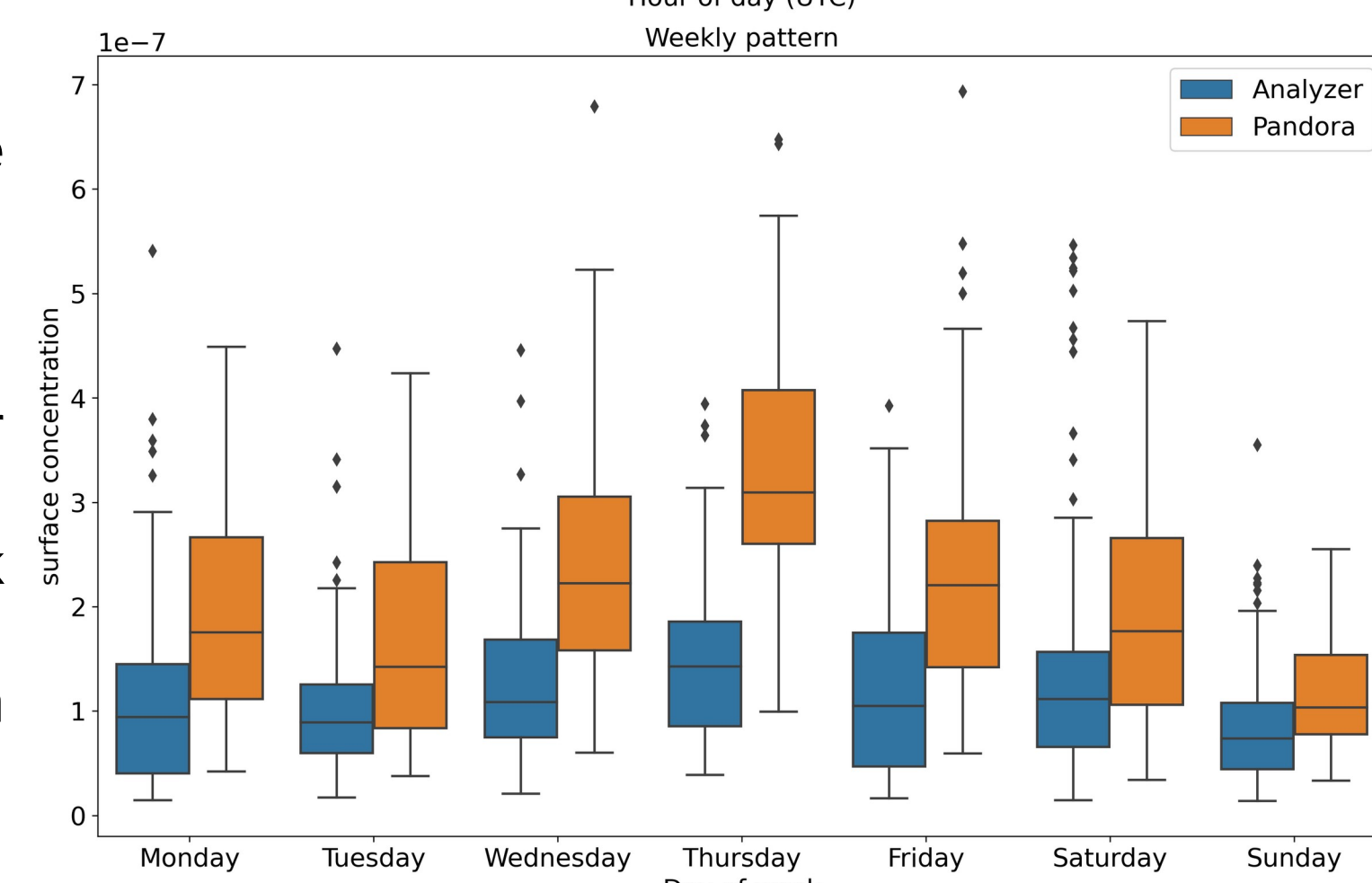
Pandora & Analyzer show the typical daily patterns of the surface concentration.

Under study:  
- Delay. Regarding Pandora retrievals, the peaks of higher levels seem about one hour before the measurements of the analyzer.  
- Daily seasonal pattern. The available data are between winter and springer, more data are required to perform a complete analysis.



Pandora & Analyzer show the typical weekly patterns of the surface concentration.

Under study:  
- Workday. On Tuesday, surface concentration decreases as retrieved for VCD.  
- Workday. On Thursday, the Pandora surface concentration shows a peak not retrieved from the analyzer data.  
- Weekend. The decreasing trend in concentrations is more evident from Pandora than from analyzer.



--- **Conclusions**  
Nitrogen dioxide is well-monitored with the integration of the tropospheric VCDs and the surface concentrations provided by analyzers, and satellite (TROPOMI), and ground based (Pandora) sensors.  
BAQUININ represents a good experience to study air quality in different environments exposed to air pollution of a high emission source as Rome.

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