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Mercury at the UK EMEP supersites Auchencorth Moss & Harwell



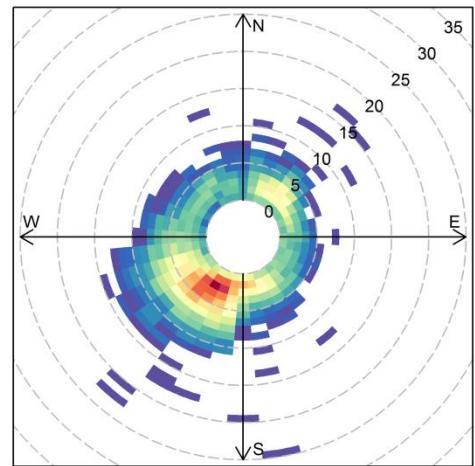
The EMEP Supersites



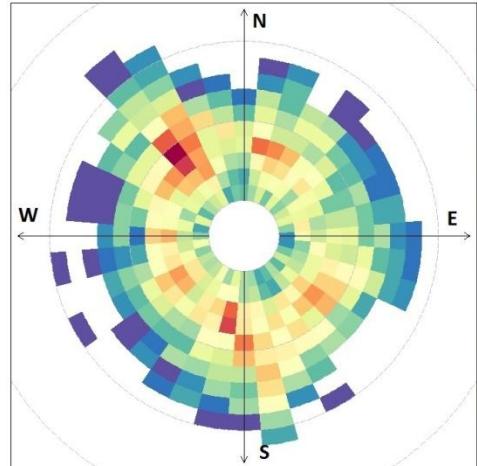
Site Characteristics: Auchencorth Moss



Auchencorth Moss



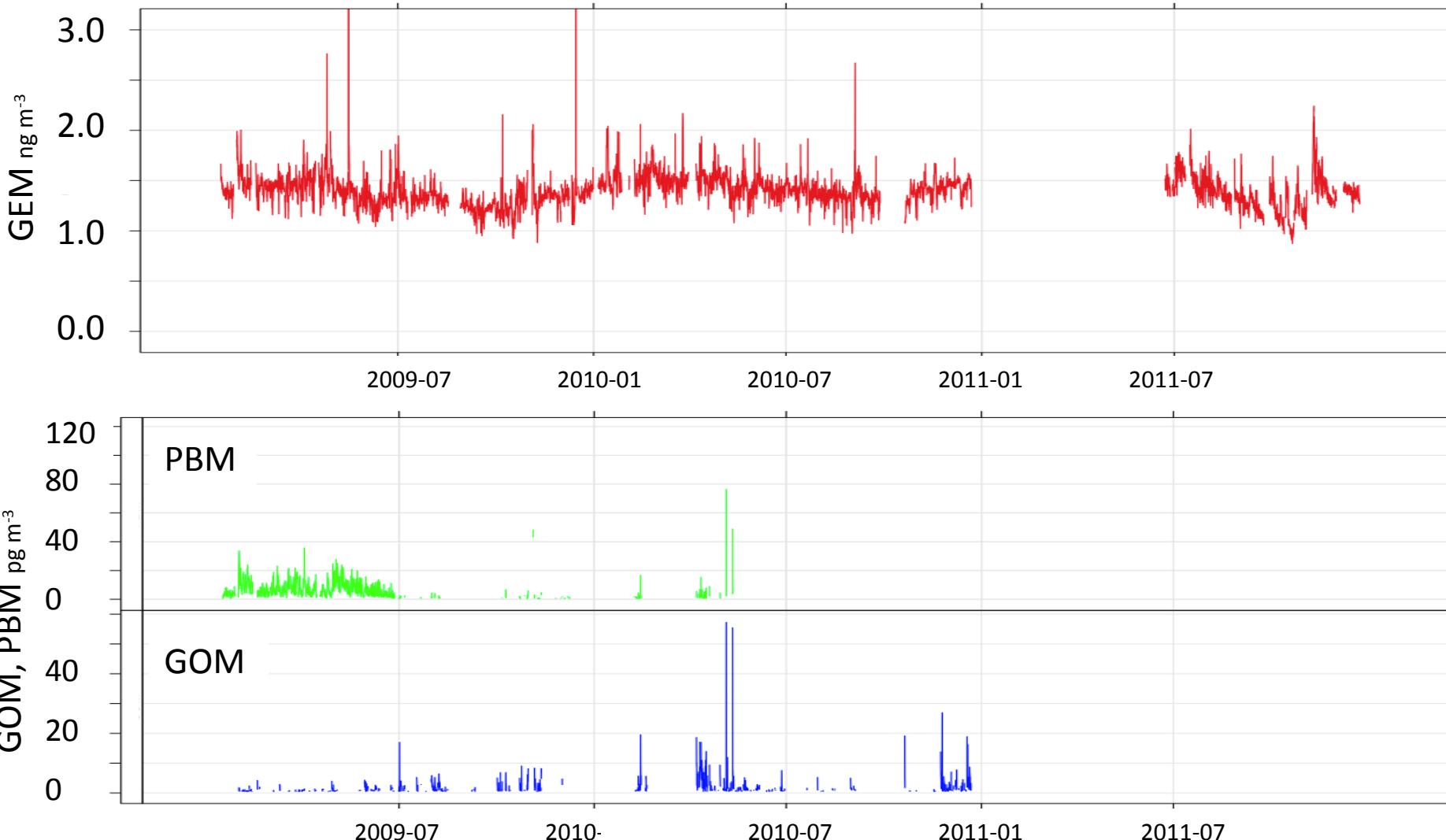
Harwell



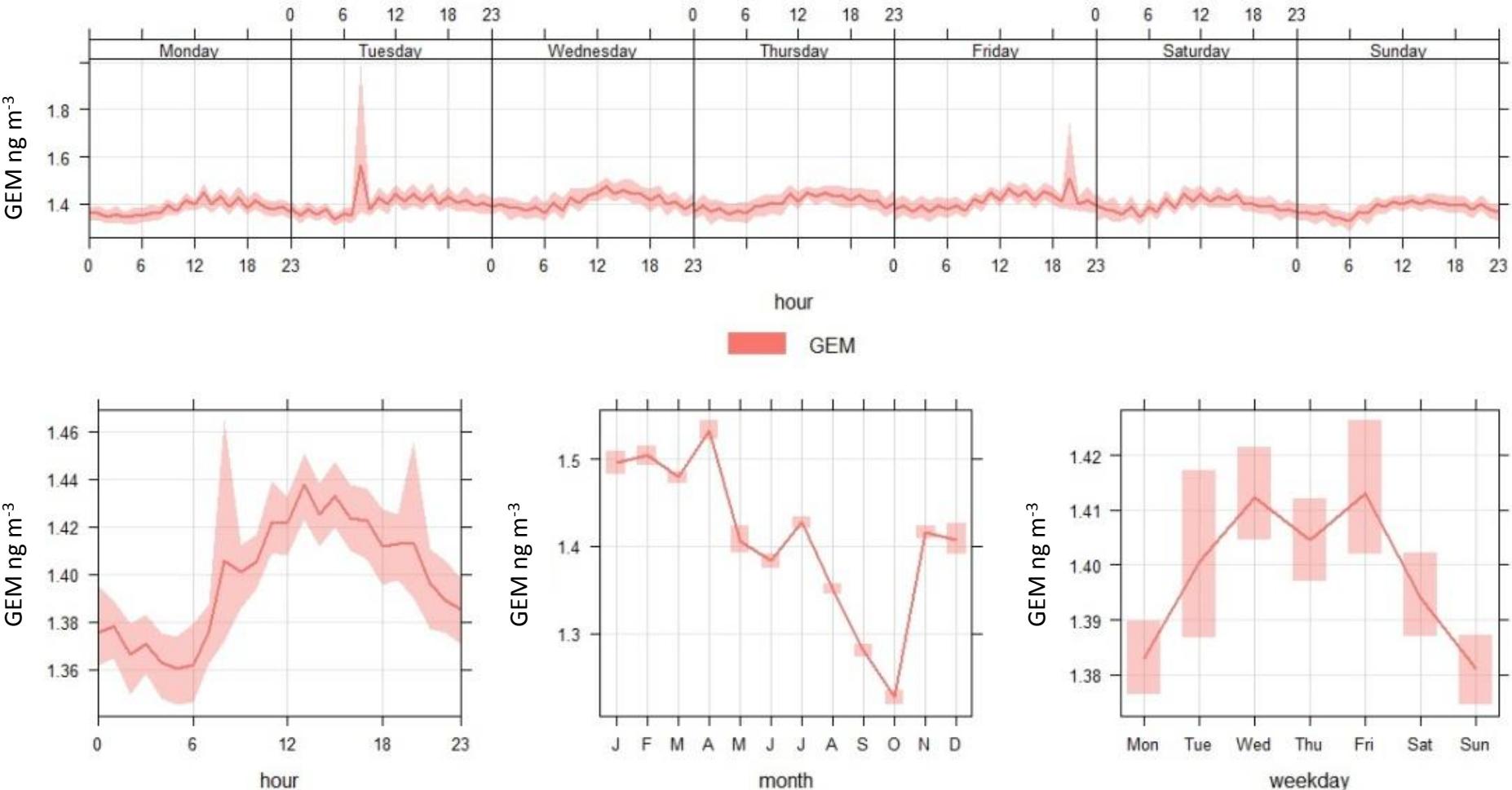
Measurements

- Water-soluble gases + particles at PM2.5 & PM10
- Black carbon PM2.5
- NO/NO₂
- Meteorology (wind speed, dir'n., temp., RH, precip'n)
- Ozone
- PM2.5 and PM10 mass (daily)
- PM2.5 and PM10 mass (hourly)
- PAH (vapour and particle)
- PAH (precipitation)
- TOMPS (air)
- Hydrocarbons ($C_2 - C_8$)
- Particle size and number
- Mercury (elemental) in air
- Mercury (speciated) in air (Auchencorth Only)
- Mercury (precipitation)
- Heavy metals PM10 (air)
- Heavy metals (precip'n)
- ECOC (weekly)

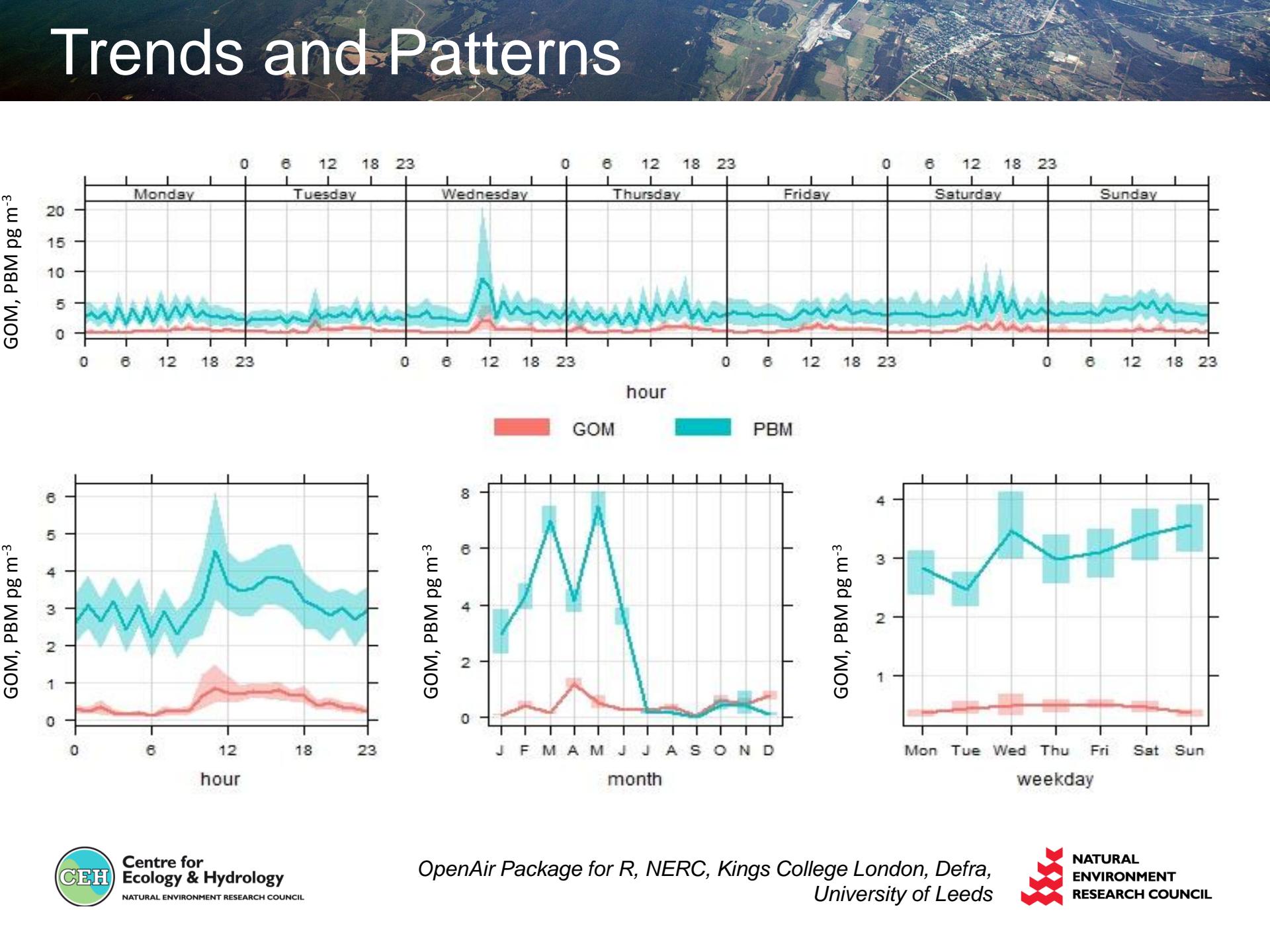
Auchencorth - Summary Plots / Statistics



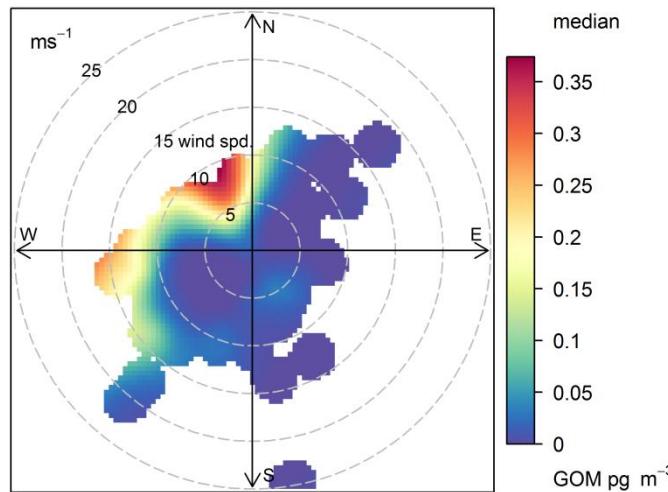
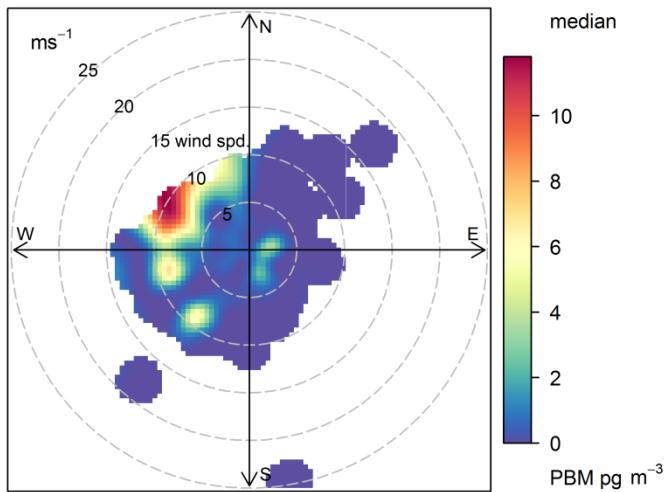
Trends and Patterns



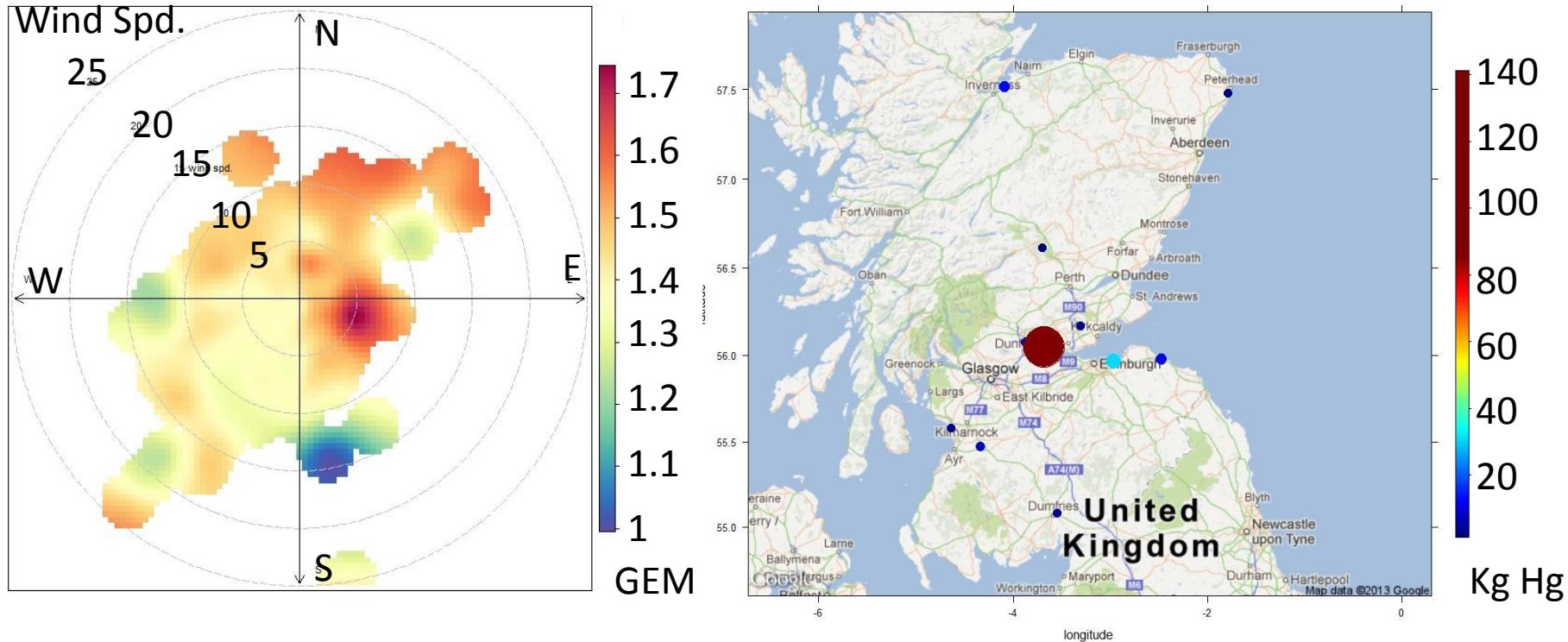
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PBM & GOM – Influences & Sources



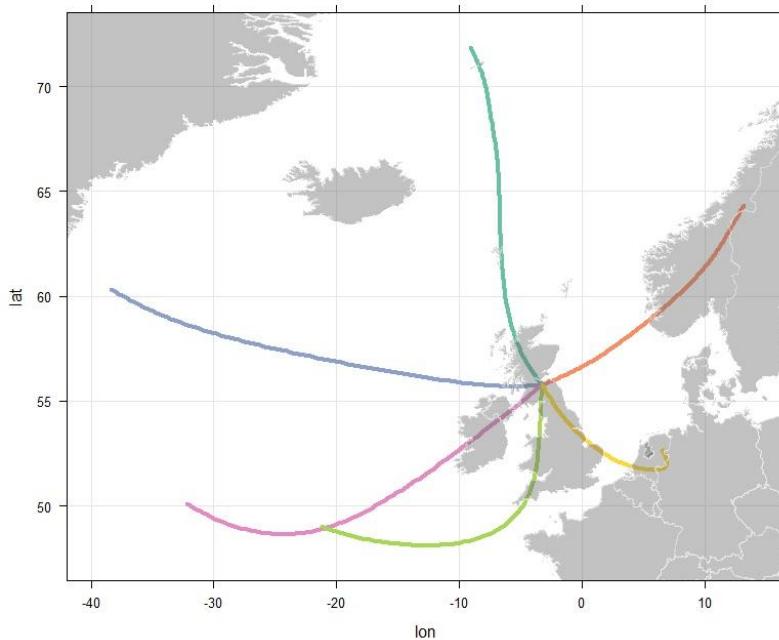
GEM - Influences and Sources



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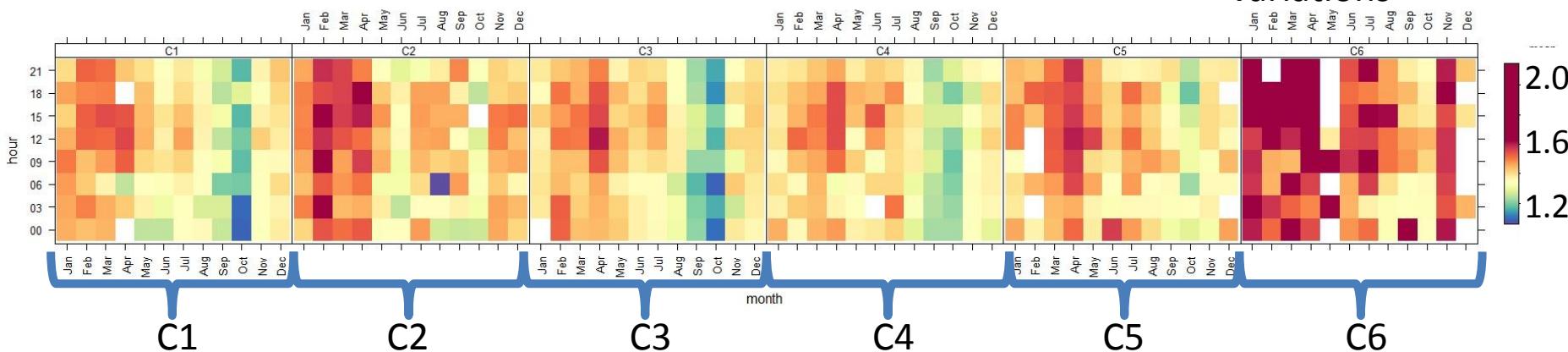
Long-range influences



NOAA HYSPLIT Model - Air mass back trajectory cluster analysis

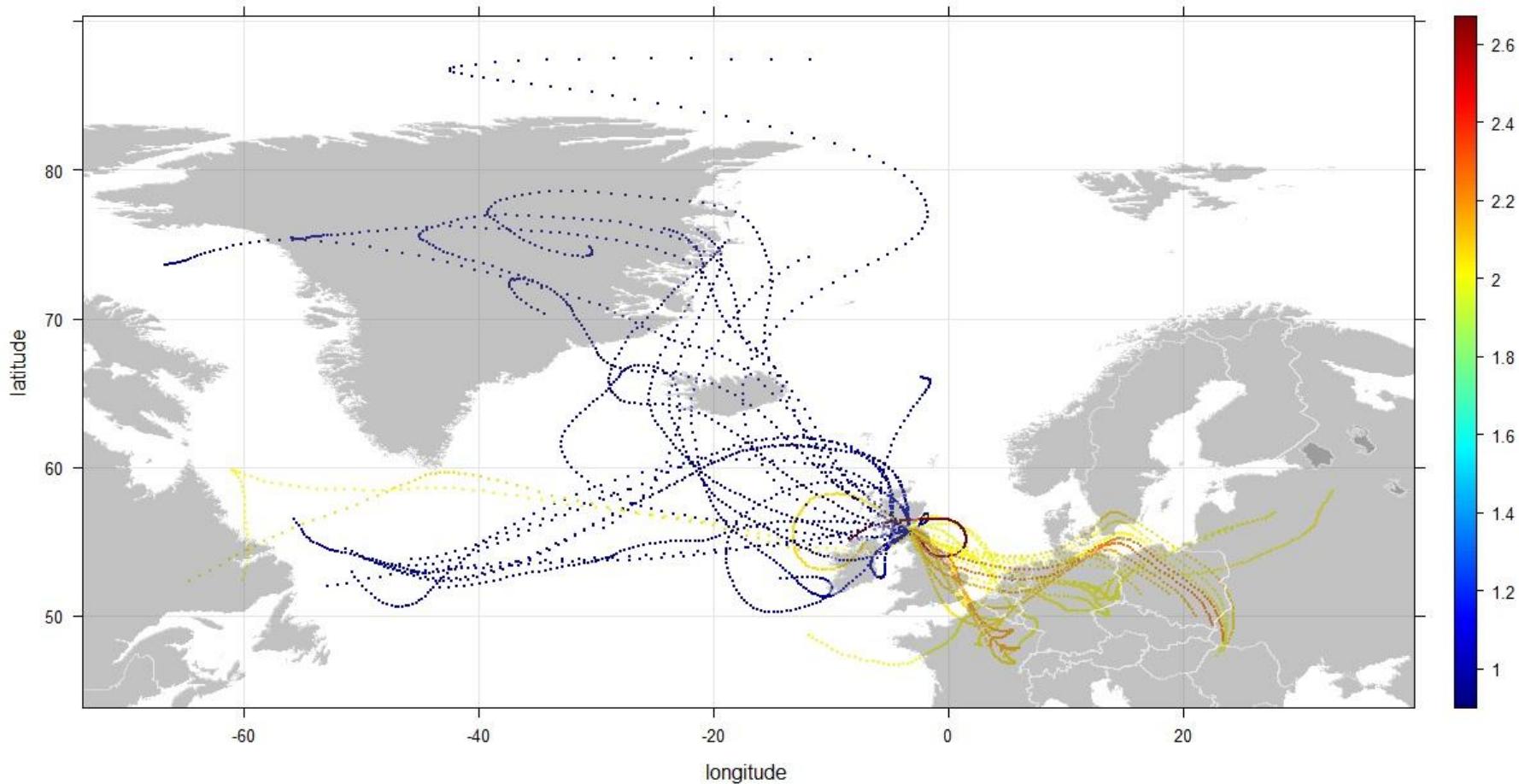
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- C3
- C4
- C5
- C6

Cluster temporal variations

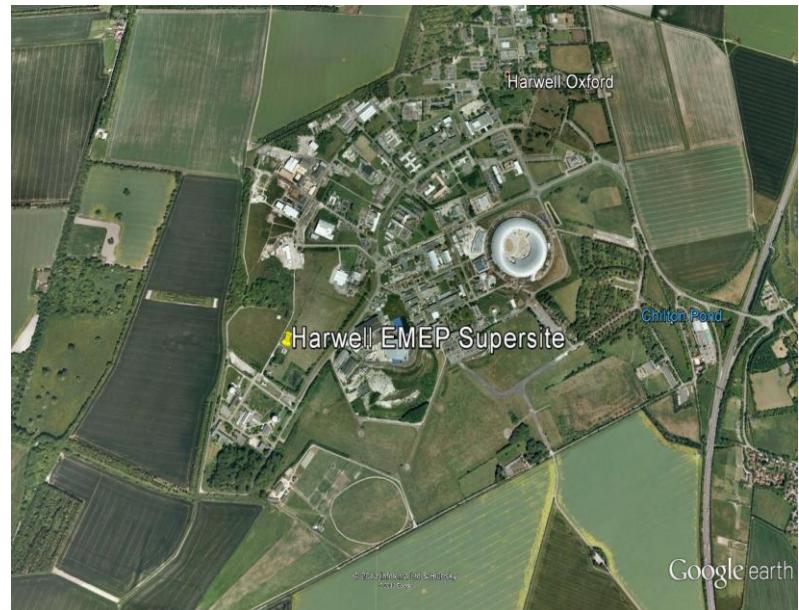
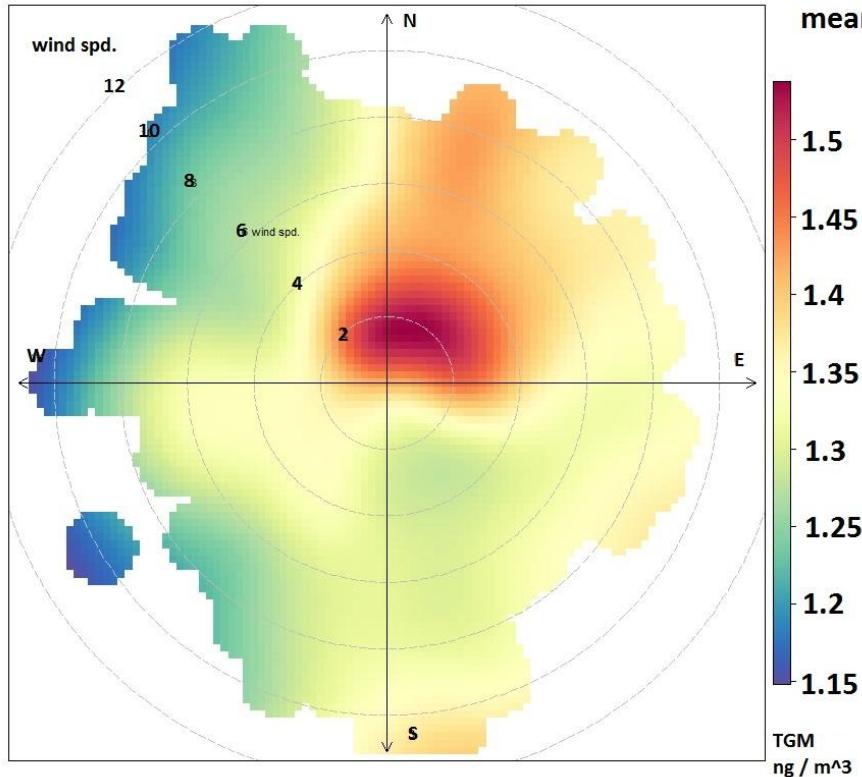
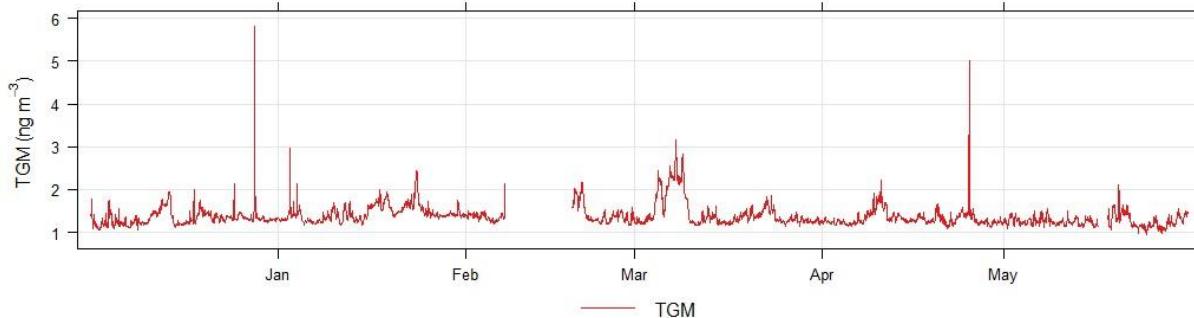


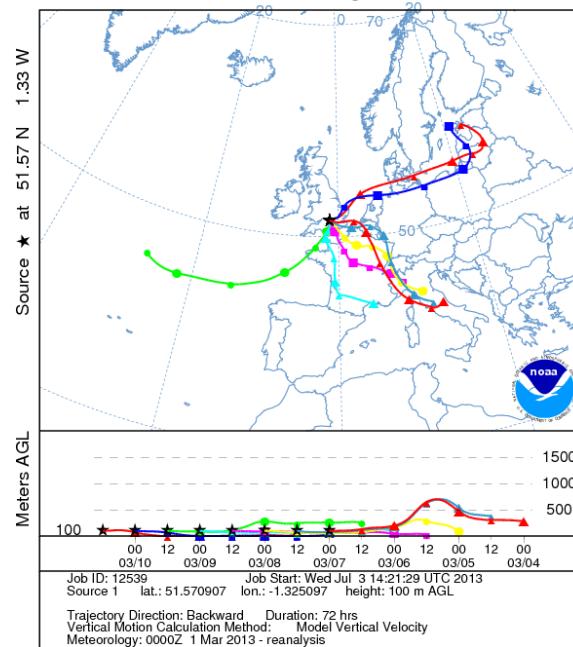
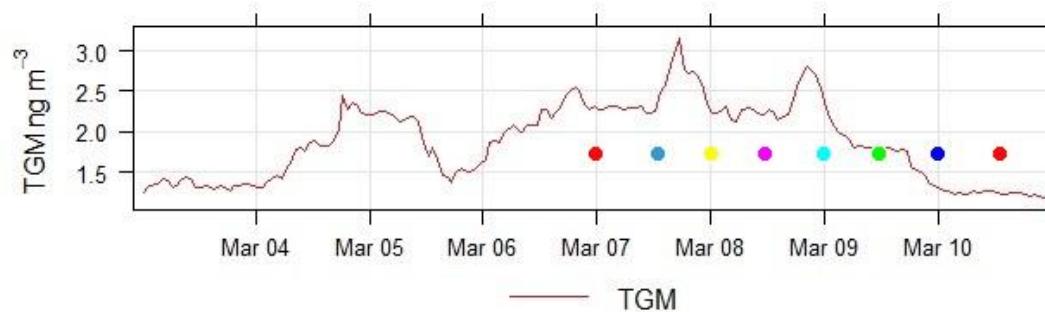
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GEM at Harwell





Summary

- Auchencorth Moss is a rural background monitoring site in south-east Scotland.
- Harwell is a semi-rural monitoring site in southern England.
- Influences on GEM at the supersites is both local, but with significant influence through long range transport.
- At Auchencorth Moss:
 - Air masses from mainland Europe have been shown to bring the higher levels of GEM to site, whilst Atlantic / Polar air masses bring the lowest.
 - PBM and GOM are extremely low and generally <LoD.
 - PBM levels may be influenced by peat extract work close to the site, but further work is needed to investigate this.

Thank you