# Developments in ADMS-Airport and its Applications to Heathrow Airport

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## 1) Key factors affecting air quality at airports

### Key factors affecting air quality at airports

- Emissions
- Background concentrations
- Meteorology
- Near field dispersion processes
- Chemical reactions





# 2) Features of ADMS-Airport

### Features of ADMS-Airport

- An extension of ADMS-Urban Gaussian type model nested in regional trajectory model
- Includes chemical reaction scheme, meteorological preprocessor, Monin-Obukhov and mixed layer scaling for boundary layer structure
- Allowance for up to 6500 sources: road (1500, each with up to 50 vertices), point, line area and volume (1500), grid sources (3000) and up to 500 runway sources (exhaust modelled as moving jets)
- Other airport features
  - Hour by hour time varying data
  - Multi-segment line sources e.g. taxi ways
  - GIS link displays line, volume and runway sources





### Features: modelling exhausts as moving JETS & THE IMPACT OF WAKE VORTICES

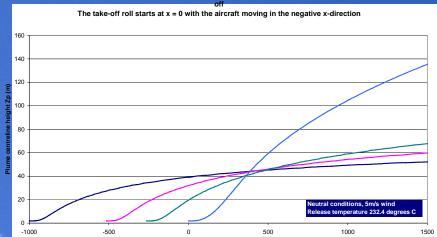
- Models engine exhausts as moving jet sources
- As the aircraft accelerates
  - buoyancy and emissions increasingly spread along the runway
  - the exhaust jet sees a faster ambient wind speed, this affects the plume rise
- The plume from the faster aircraft rises less than that from a slower aircraft
- Allows for the impact wake vortices may have on jet plume rise



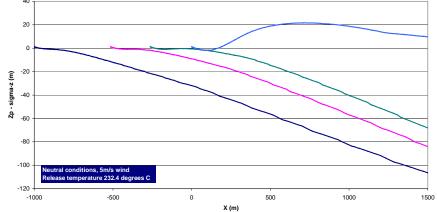


### Neutral met conditions, plume trajectory $(z_p)$ (top), vertical spread $(\sigma_z)$ (middle) and $z_p$ - $\sigma_z$ (bottom)

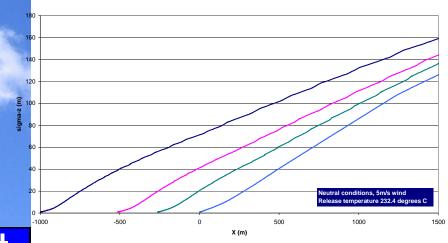
Plume centreline height of the jet exhaust emitted at different points along the runway during take-



Difference between plume centreline height and vertical plume spread (Zp - sigma-z) of the jet exhaust emitted at different points along the runway during take-off The take-off roll starts at x = 0 with the aircraft moving in the negative x-direction

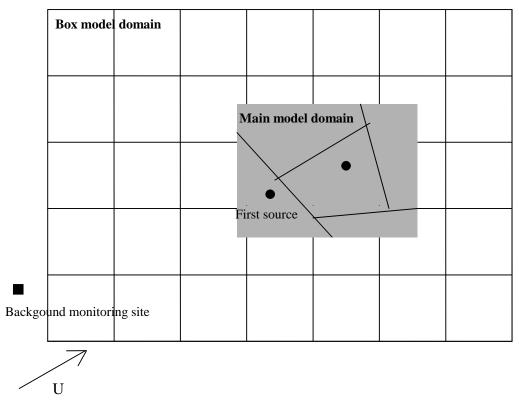


Vertical plume spread of the jet exhaust emitted at different points along the runway during take-off The take-off roll starts at x=0 with the aircraft moving in the negative x-direction





### Local and Regional Scales



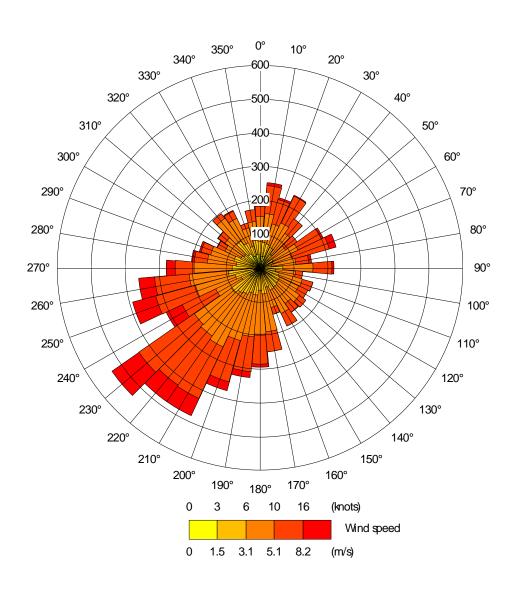
Main model nested within large, area-wide trajectory model





### 3) Model performance and sensitivities: MODEL SET UP

### Heathrow: METEOROLOGICAL DATA







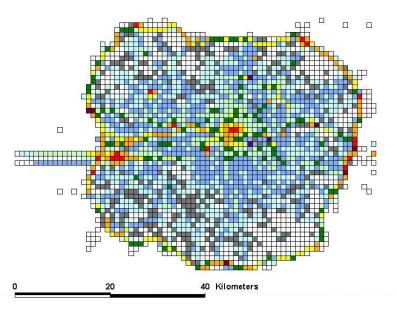
### Heathrow: EMISSION SOURCES

- Gridded sources for all of London
- Roads local to Heathrow from LAEI (London Atmospheric Emissions Inventory) and the Heathrow Inventory
- LTO: taxi-in, taxi-out, landing, approach, initial climb, climb out
- Other: APU, airside vehicles, car parks, taxi ranks modelled as area or volume sources





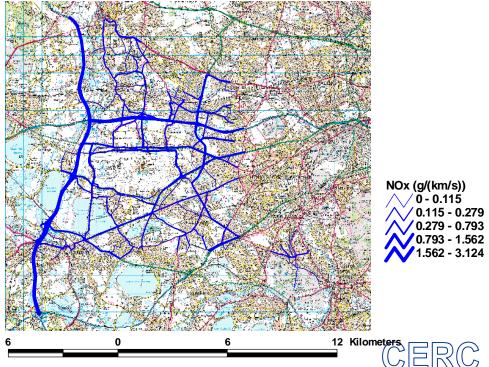
#### 2002 NOx emission rate



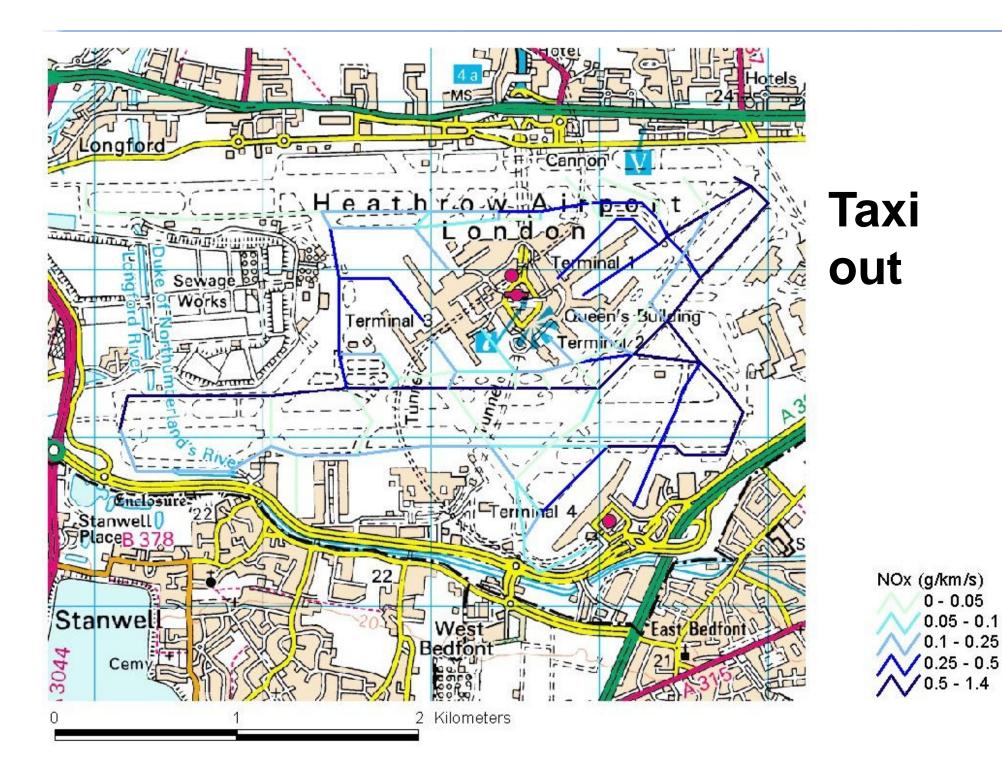


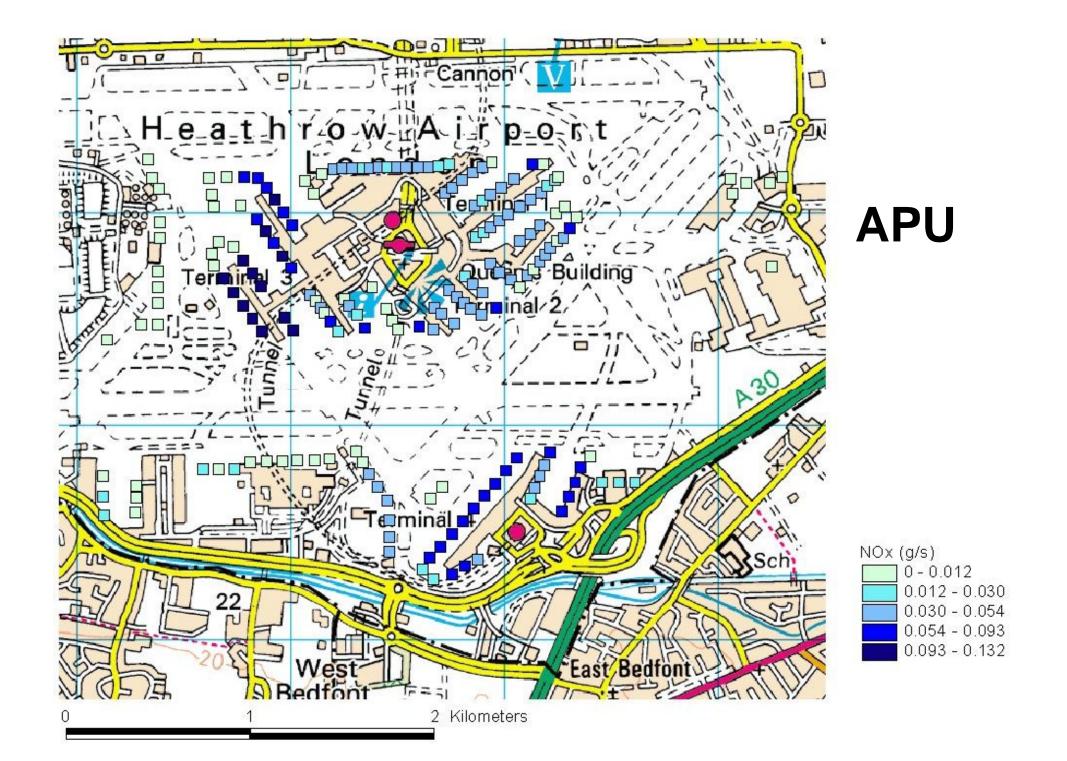
NOx (tonnes/year)
0 - 5
5 - 10
10 - 20



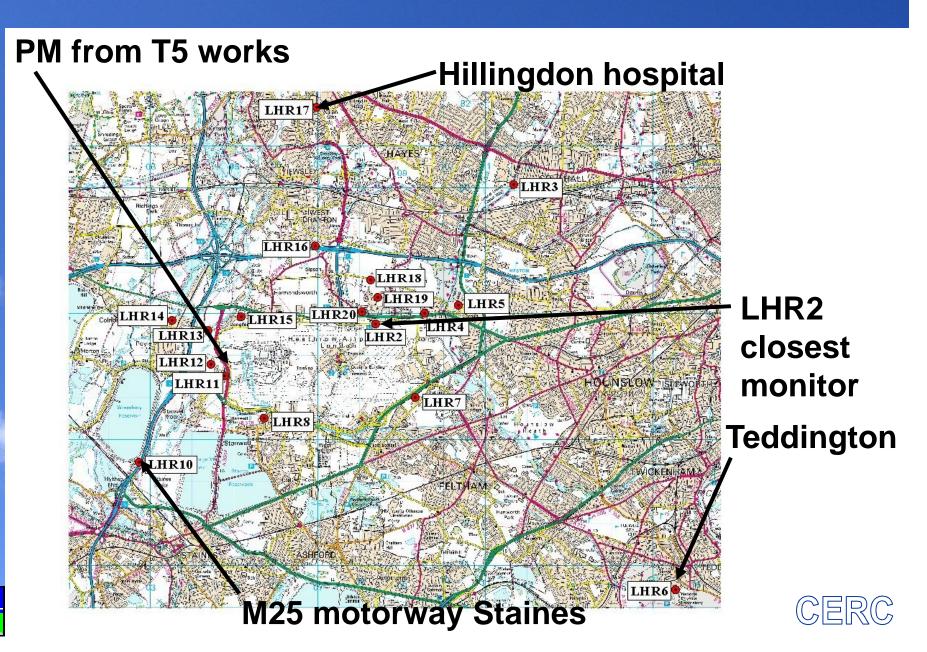






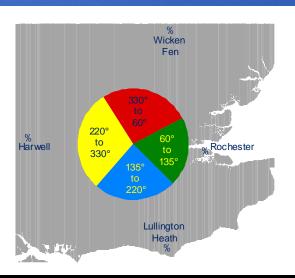


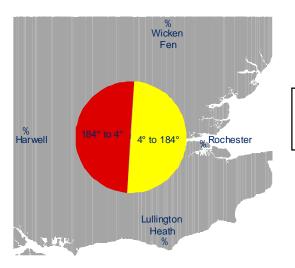
### Heathrow: MONITORING DATA



### Heathrow: BACKGROUND CONCENTRATIONS

NO<sub>X</sub> NO<sub>2</sub> O<sub>3</sub>





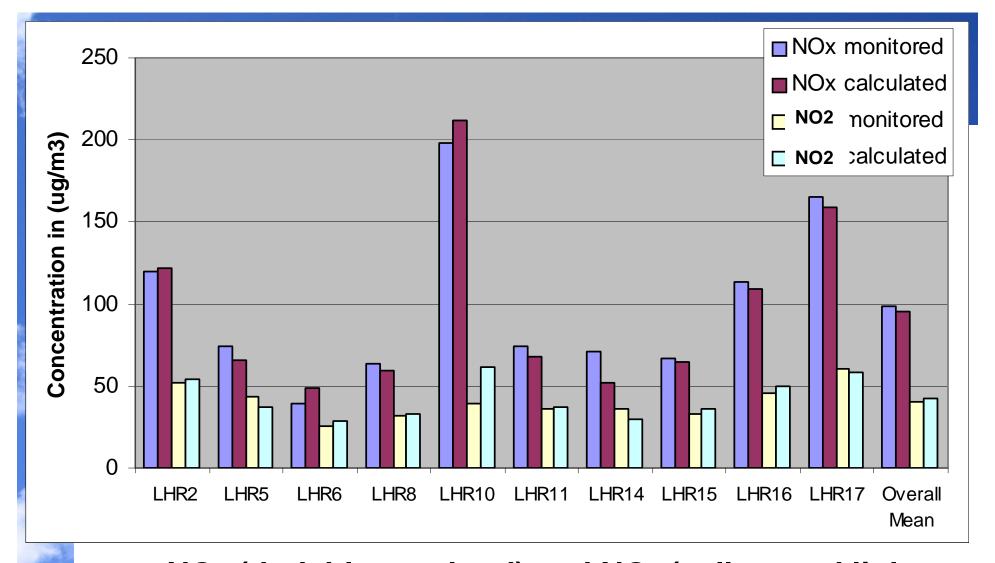
 $PM_{10}$ 

		2002
NO <sub>x</sub> as NO <sub>2</sub> (μg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Annual average Maximum hourly average 99.79 <sup>th</sup> percentile	15 215 127
NO <sub>2</sub> (μg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Annual average Maximum hourly average 99.79 <sup>th</sup> percentile	12 84 62
O <sub>3</sub> (μg/m³)	Annual average Maximum hourly average 99.79 <sup>th</sup> percentile	52 188 135
PM <sub>10</sub> (μg/m³)	Annual average Maximum hourly average 90.41st percentile of 24 hour averages 98.08th percentile of 24 hour averages	19 124 33 48





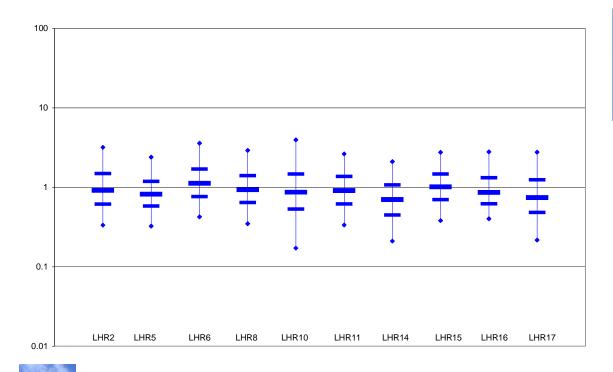
# 3) Model performance and sensitivities: ANALYSIS OF RESULTS



NO<sub>X</sub> (dark blue and red) and NO<sub>2</sub> (yellow and light blue) monitored and calculated annual mean concentrations at the automatic monitoring sites



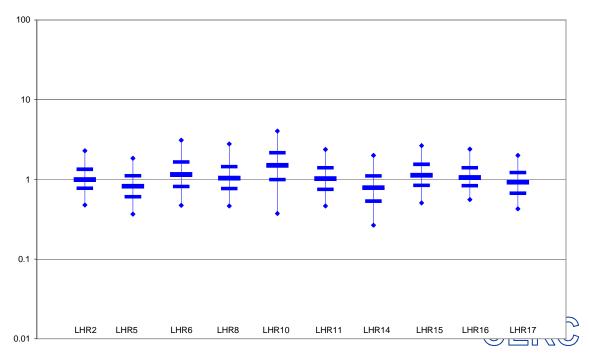




LHR2 "Box and whisker" plots for the ratio of (calculated/monitored) concentrations, NO<sub>X</sub> (top) and NO<sub>2</sub> (bottom).

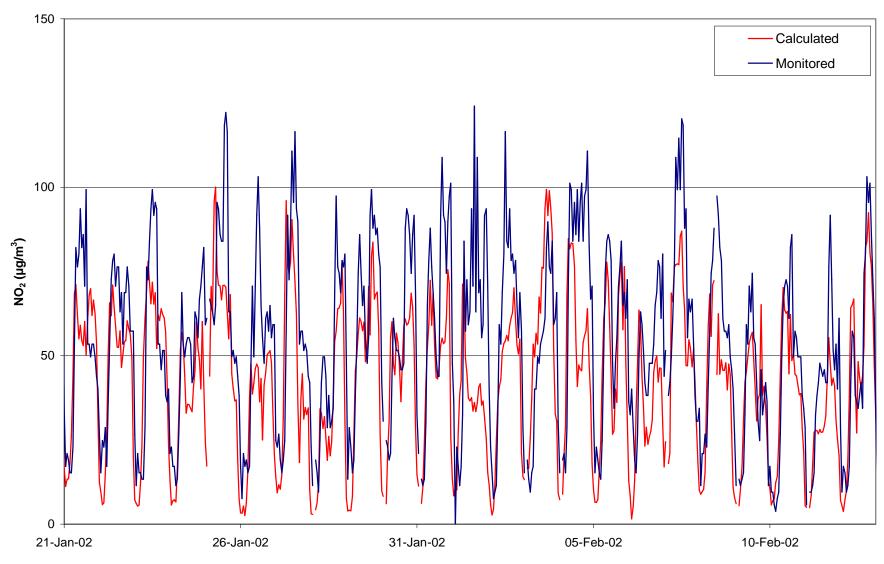
2002 NO<sub>2</sub> box and whisker plot

The lines indicate the 75<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> percentiles and the lines extend from the 95<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> percentile.





#### Comparison of LHR2 monitored and calculated NO<sub>2</sub>

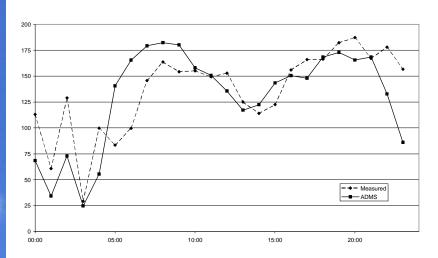


Detailed <u>time series comparison</u> of monitored (blue) and calculated (red) hourly concentrations at receptor LHR2. 2I Jan 2002 — mid February 2002

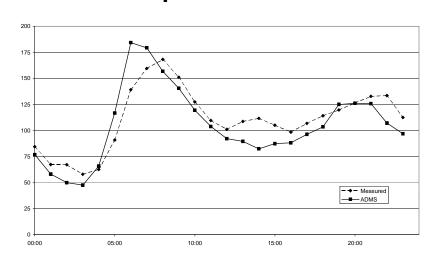


### LHR2 <u>diurnal variation</u> ADMS-Airport (solid line) compared with measured data (dotted line), <u>different runway use</u>

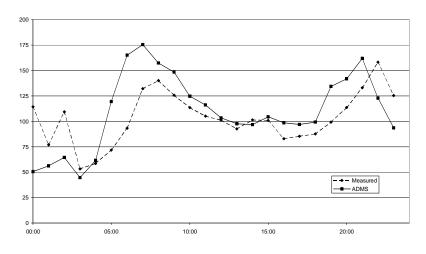
### **Departure on 27 R**



### No departure on 27 R



### Arrival on 27R



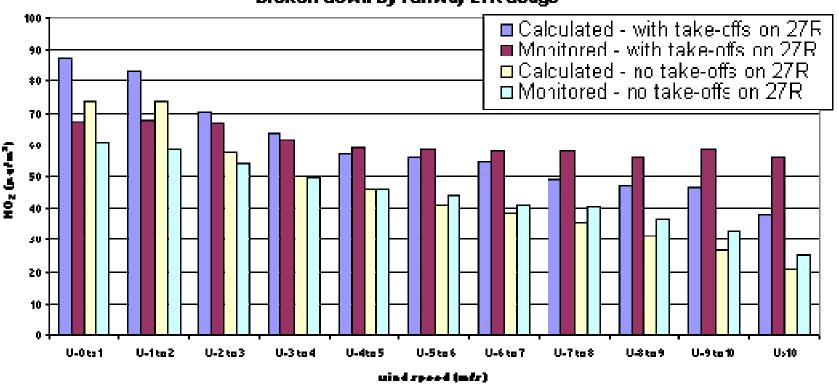




Comparison of monitored and calculated NO<sub>2</sub> in μg/m³ at LHR2 as a function of wind speed for the hours when 27R is operational (blue an red) and the hours when it is not operational (cream and pale blue) separately.

### Average monitored and calculated NO<sub>2</sub> concentration for each wind speed category

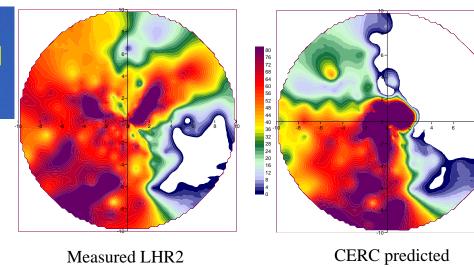




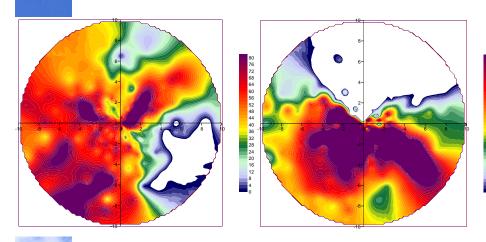




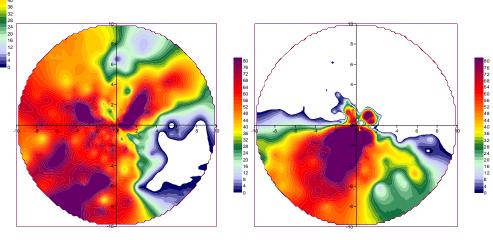
### **Measured v ADMS modelled**



### **Measured v Model 2**



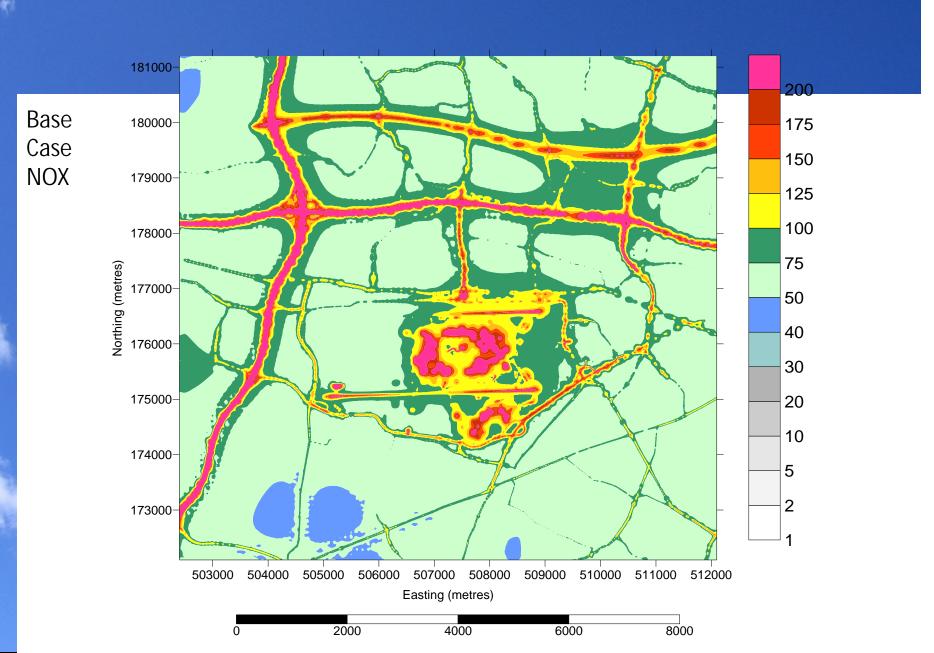
### Measured v Model 3



Polar plots of  $NO_x$  at LHR2 with background concentrations subtracted. Radius: wind speed in m/s.









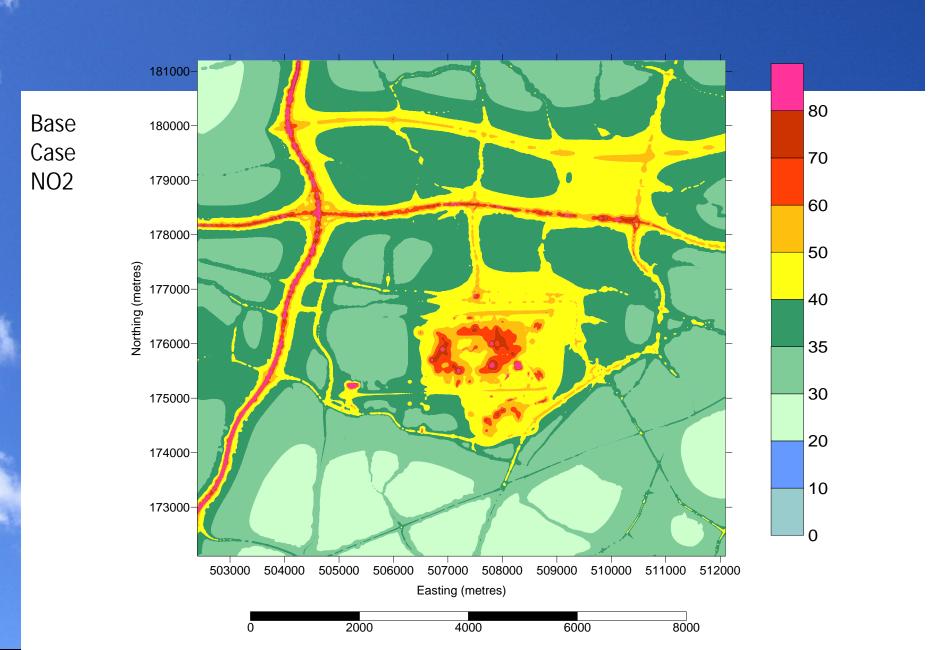




Annual NOX due to aircraft and other airport sources (10km x 10km)

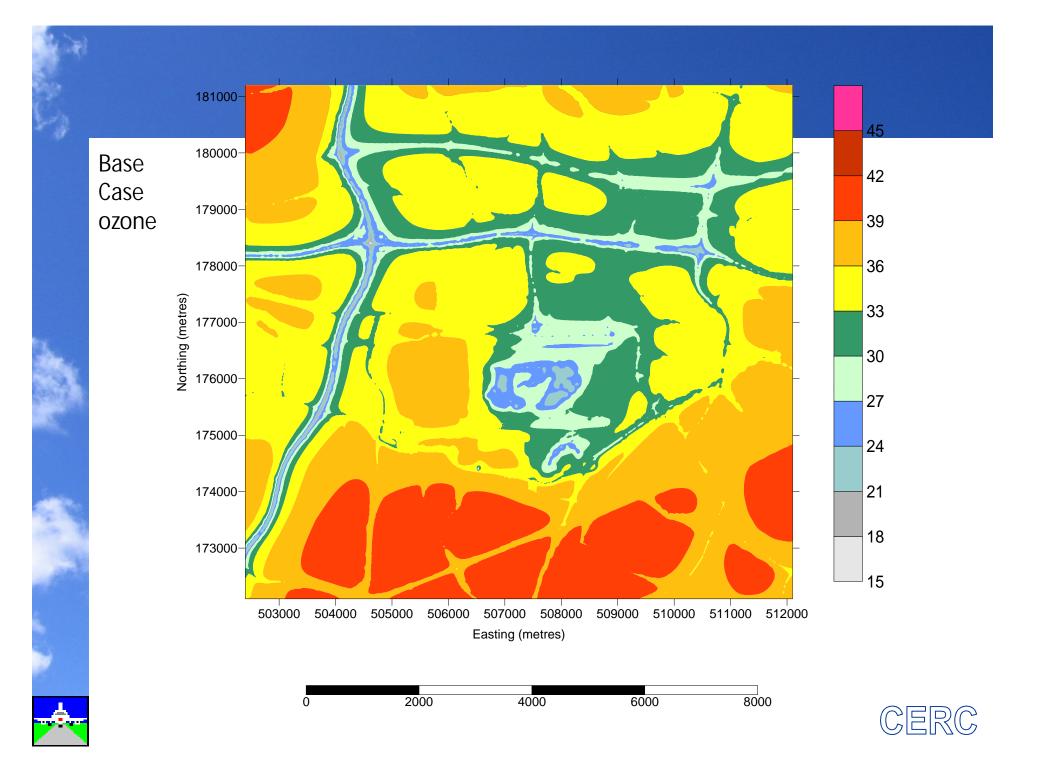


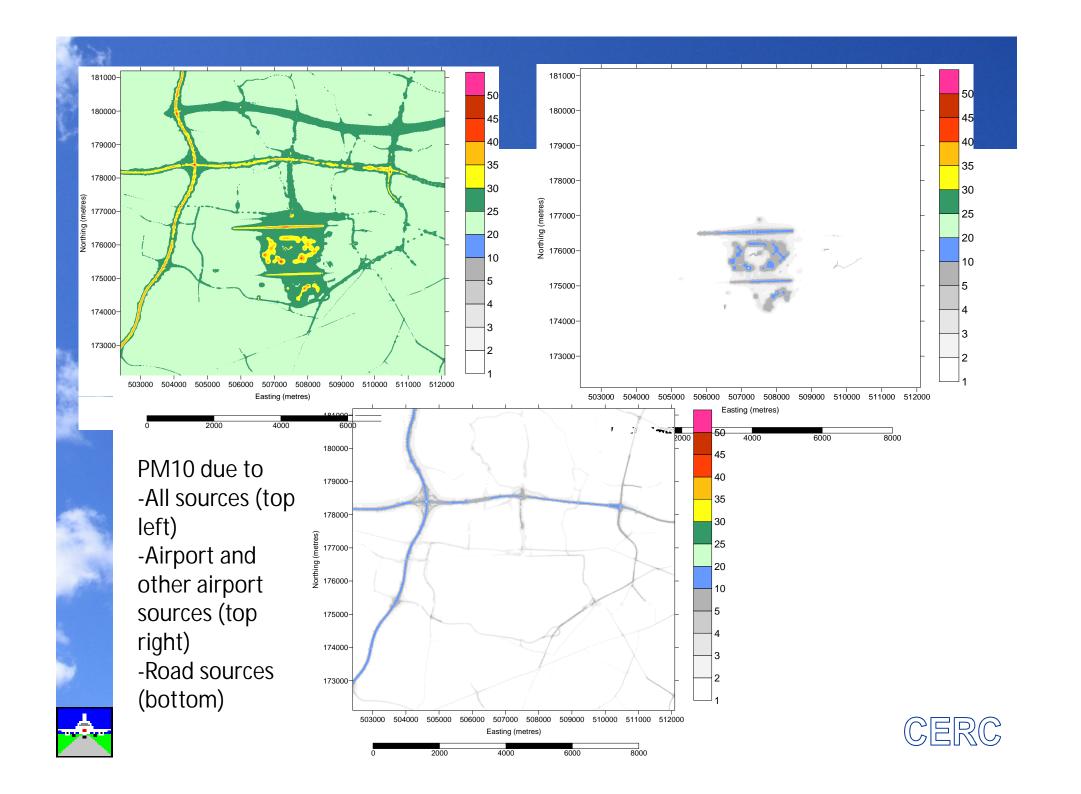












### 3) Mixed Mode and R3 Consultation

### Scenarios for Mixed Mode and R3

- 2 runways operating in "Segregated Mode"
  - 2002 Base Case
  - 2010 SM
  - 2015 SM
- 2 runways operating in "Mixed Mode"
  - 2015 MM
- 3 runways; "Segregated Mode" on existing long runways & "Mixed Mode" on proposed short runway
  - 2020 R3
  - 2030 R3

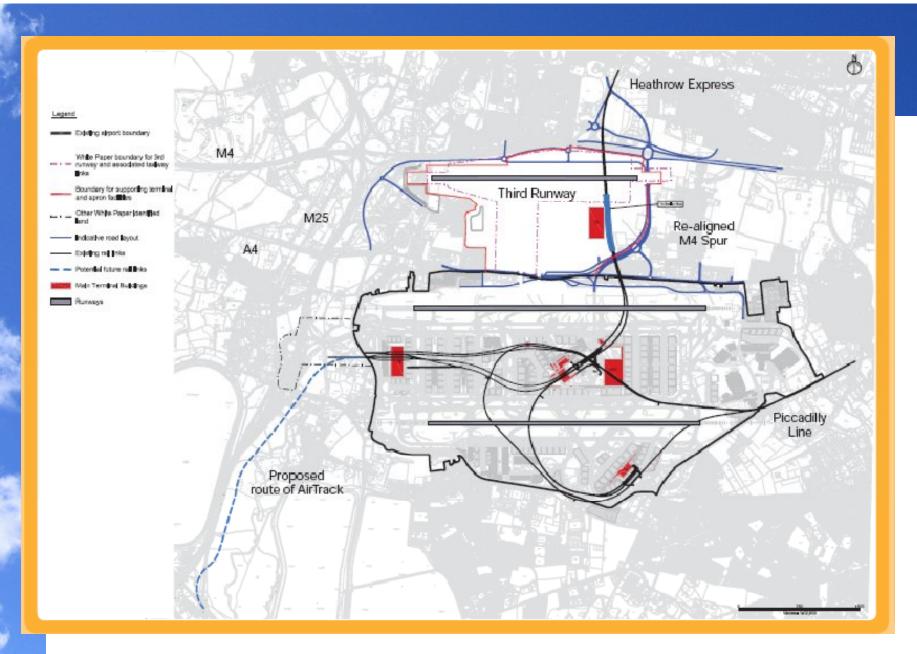










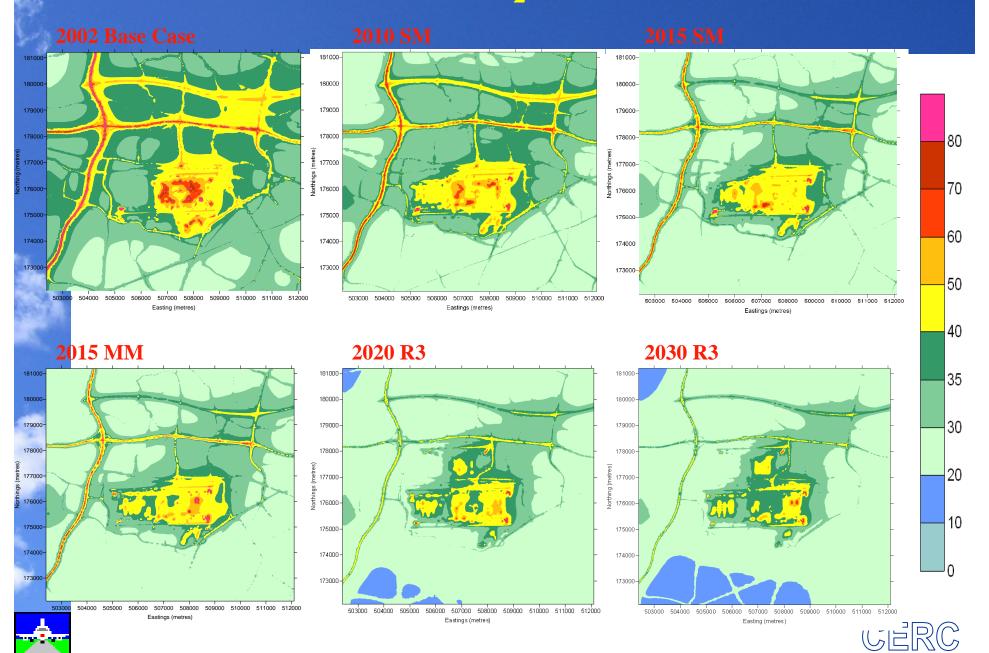


Page 41, "Adding Capacity at Heathrow Airport: Consultation Document",

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### Predicted NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations



### Conclusions

Key factors affecting pollutant concentrations in the neighbourhood of airports include the following:

- Emissions including primary NO<sub>2</sub>
- Background concentrations e.g. O<sub>3</sub>
- Meteorology
- Near field dispersion processes, buoyancy of the aircraft exhausts
- Chemical reactions

Heathrow Mixed Mode and R3 – Consultation period over; DfT preparing response



