

Overview of IMMSP team's research activities

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IMMSP and Environmental Modeling

Institute of Mathematical
Machines and Systems
Problems (IMMSP) National
Academy of Sciences of
Ukraine:

- formerly part of Institute of
Cybernetics as Design
Bureau where IC's
systems were
implemented
- separated in 1992

IC1986:

7000 staff members,

**Hardware, algorithmic and software
development for Soviet military and
industrial applications**



Prof, Victor Glushkov
has headed former
Lebedev's Lab in 1958,
than transformed into the
**Institute of Cybernetics
(IC)** of Academy of
Sciences



Control Center of Soviet Space
Programme, Developed by
IMMSP

**Operational headquarters for forecasting of radionuclide
water contamination following Chernobyl accident –
predecessor of today's Division of Environmental Modeling**

Division of Environmental Modelling (DEM) - IMMSP

has been established in May, 1986, following Chernobyl Accident.

First team lead – Dr Mark Zheleznyak, since Nov 2013 – Professor of Institute of Environmental Radioactivity Fukushima University

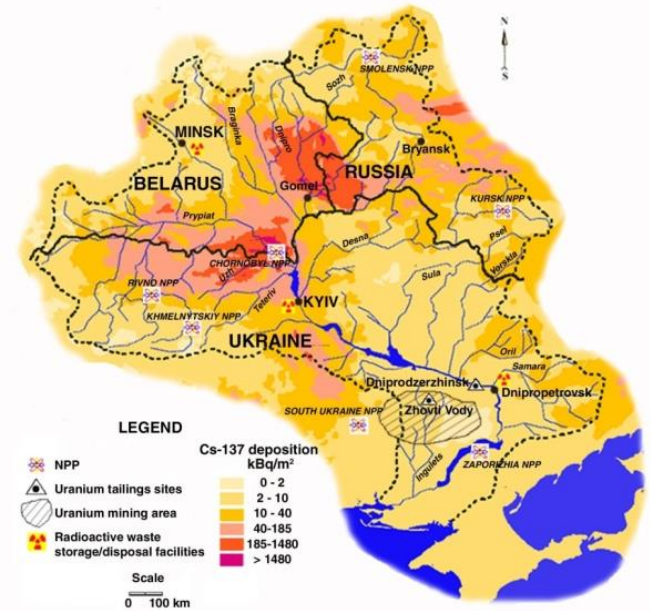
Present Head: Dr. Igor Brovchenko, Corresponding Member of NASU

Research provided by **two** Departments headed by

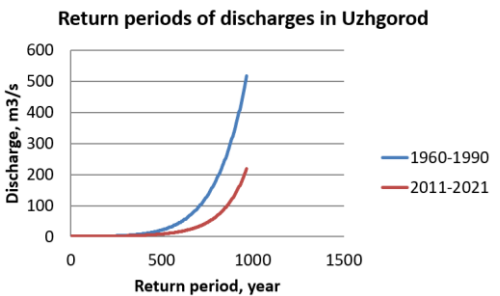
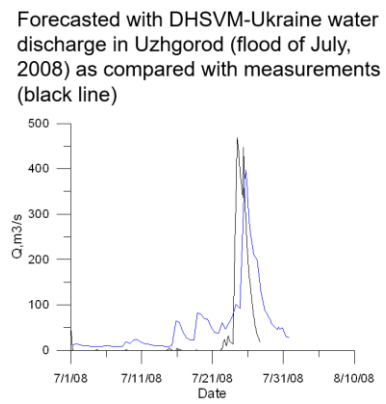
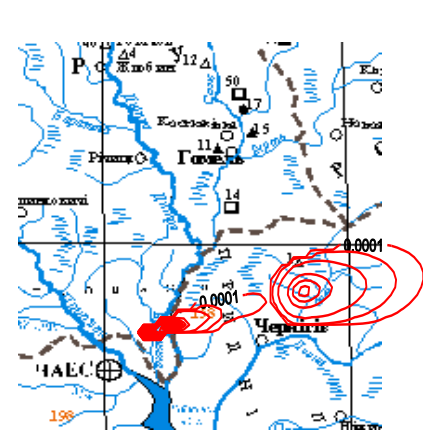
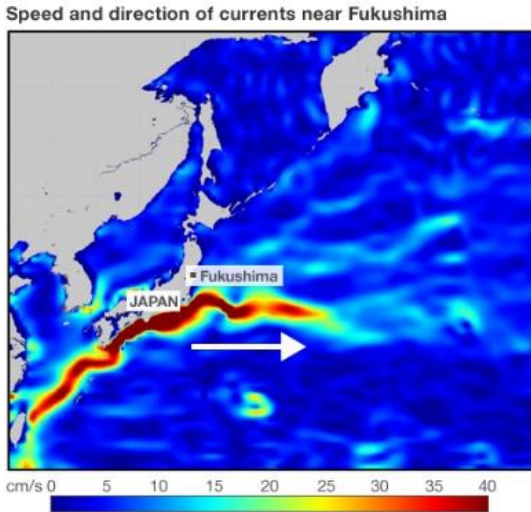
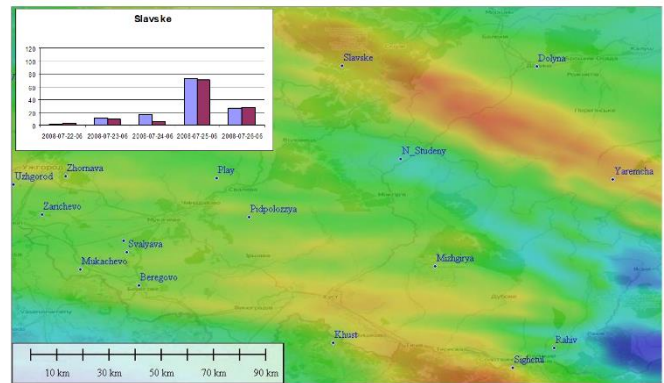
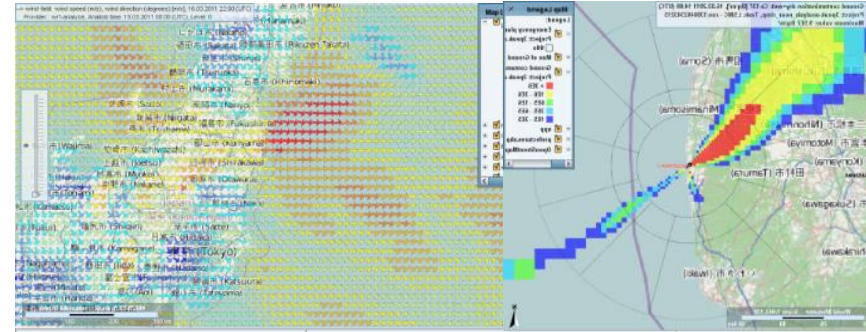
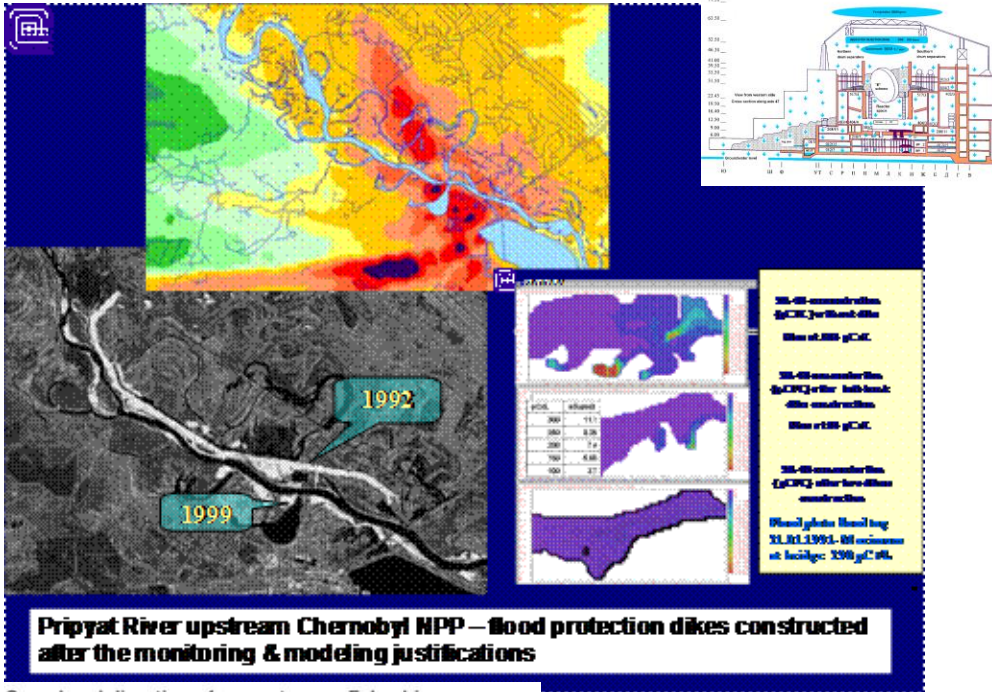
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Prof. **Vladimir Maderich** (*Dep. of Marine and River Systems Modeling*)

as also by the spinoff company of IMMSP- Ukrainian Center of Environmental and Water Projects (**UCEWP**) www.ucewp.kiev.ua



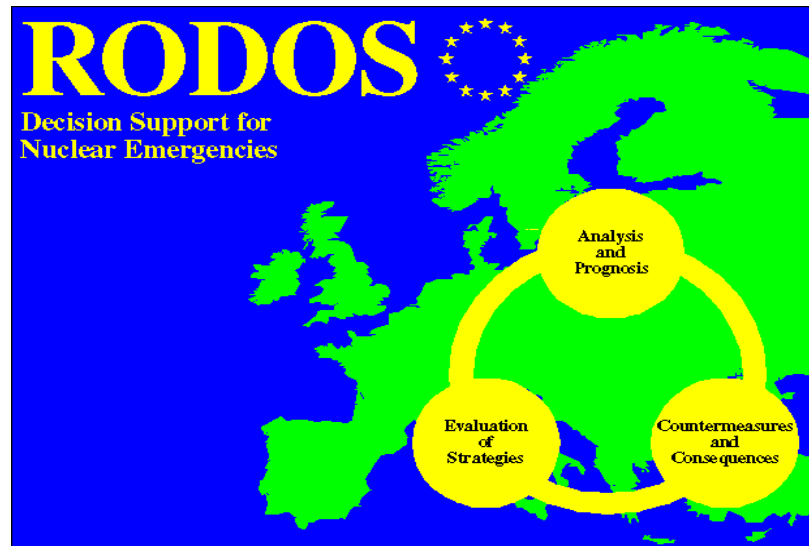
Research fields and some applications



Source: R.BINGHAM ET AL

Involvement of DEM in the development of the EU nuclear emergency response system RODOS (since 1994)

- Lead on the development of Hydrological Dispersion Module (HDM):
1D river transport model RIVTOX, 2D transport model COASTOX, 3D transport model THREETOX
- Participation in the development of Atmospheric Dispersion Module (ADM): data assimilation and inverse source term estimation
- Co-developer of the software kernel of RODOS system
- Responsible for RODOS implementation in Ukraine



Key Recent and ongoing research projects

(2021-2023) Direct and inverse problems of pollution distribution in the atmospheric and marine environment and their use to identify sources of pollution (National Research Fund of Ukraine – project to support young and experienced researchers)

(Present) PolarRES – Polar regions in Earth System (Horizon 2020)

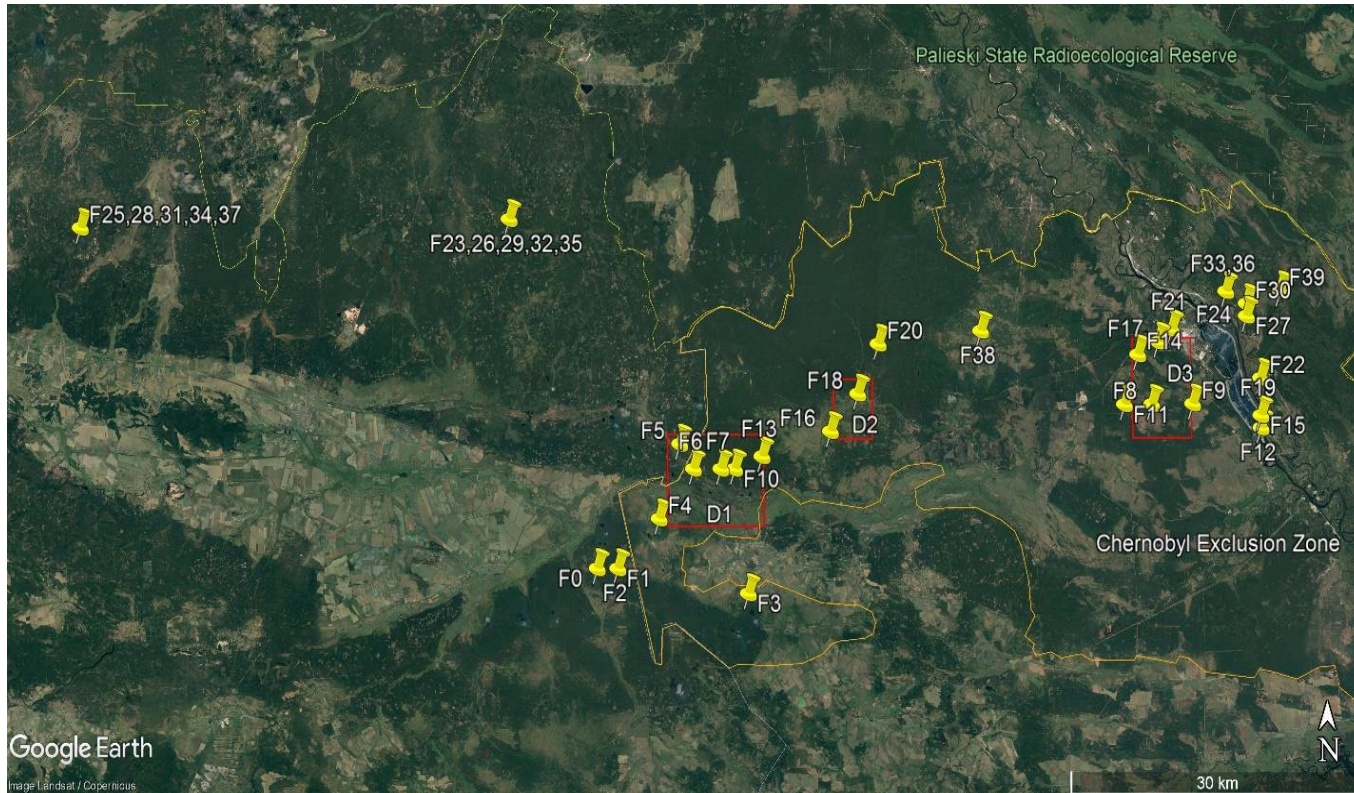
Collaboration with Korean Institute of Ocean Science and Technology in a project funded by the Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries, Development of a global marine radioactive contamination effect prediction system



Collaboration with Odesa State Ecological University on the Development of Automated system of forecasting of oceanographic parameters in the Ukrainian part of the Black Sea (responsibility on meteorological forecasting subsystem)

The most powerful in history wildfires in Chernobyl Exclusion Zone (ChEZ)

3-20 April, 2020, covered 30,000 ha in ChEZ , including the most contaminated parts of ChEZ like “Red Forest”



On 16-17 April wildfires were accompanied by **dust storm** that covered Northern Ukraine

- the first dust storm in this region in a few last decades according to State Emergency Service of Ukraine



The dust storm on 16 April
2020

Image source:

[https://www.pravda.com.ua/
news/2020/04/17/7248378/](https://www.pravda.com.ua/news/2020/04/17/7248378/)

Combined inverse modeling of wildfires and dust storm

- to evaluate emission inventories during wildfires in ChEZ together with their confidence limits
- to evaluate of contribution of the dust storm in radioactive air pollution during this event

Kovalets et al. (2020)

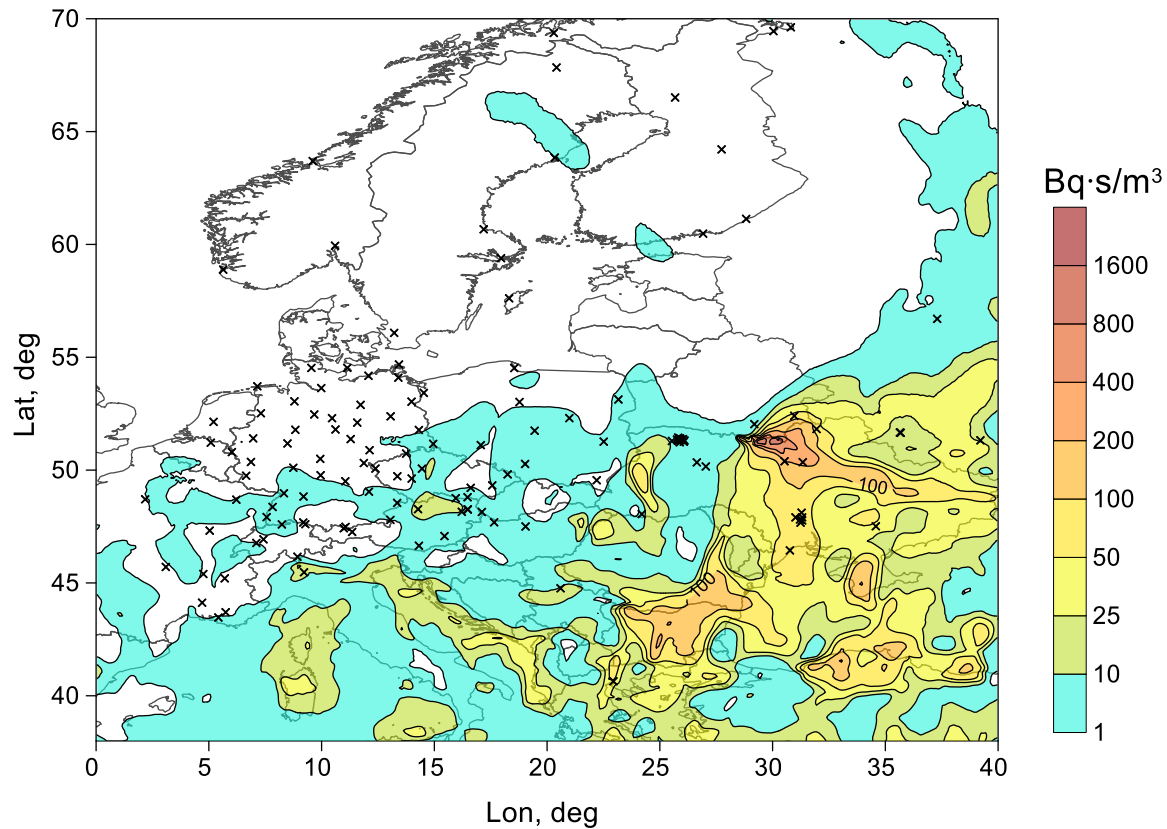
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Ensemble Source Inversion Method, input data:

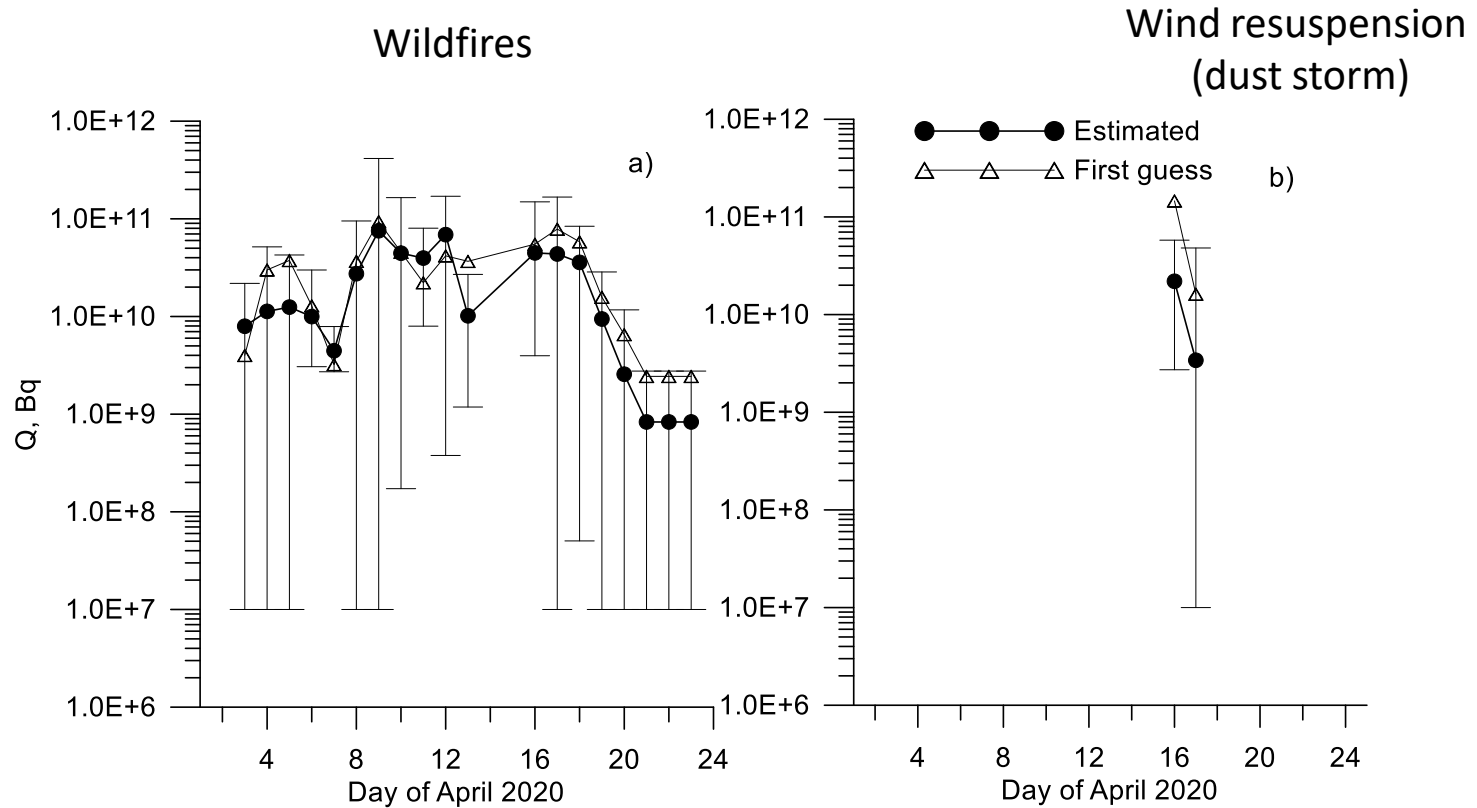
- Meteorological fields – 22 realizations in GEFS forecasts by NCEP were input to FLEXPART Lagrangian transport model
- *varying fraction emitted between 0 and z_{bot}*
- *varying fraction emitted between z_{bot} and z_{top}*
- *Varying fractions of the size 1, 8 and 16 μm*

In total – 792 ensemble members

Measurement stations used for inverse modeling and time integrated concentration of Cs-137 for the whole simulation period (3-27.04.2020)

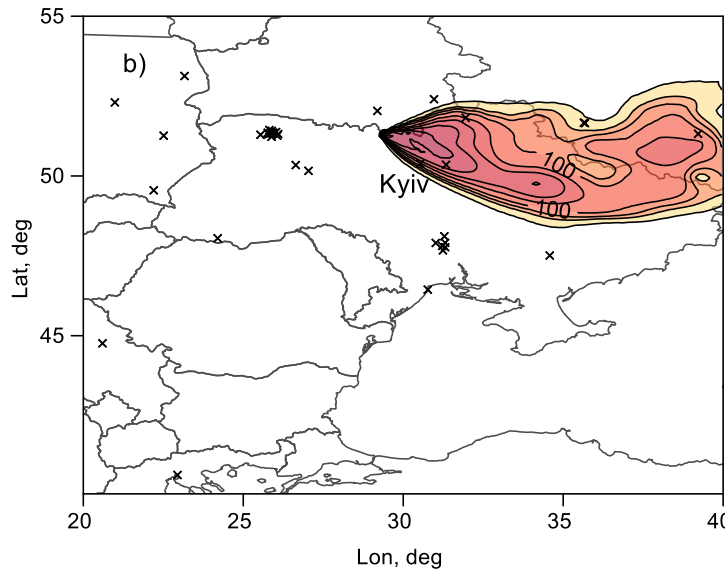
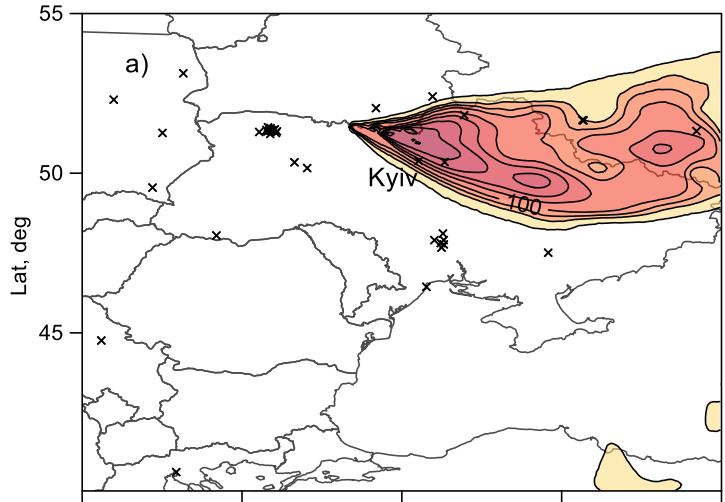


Estimated emissions



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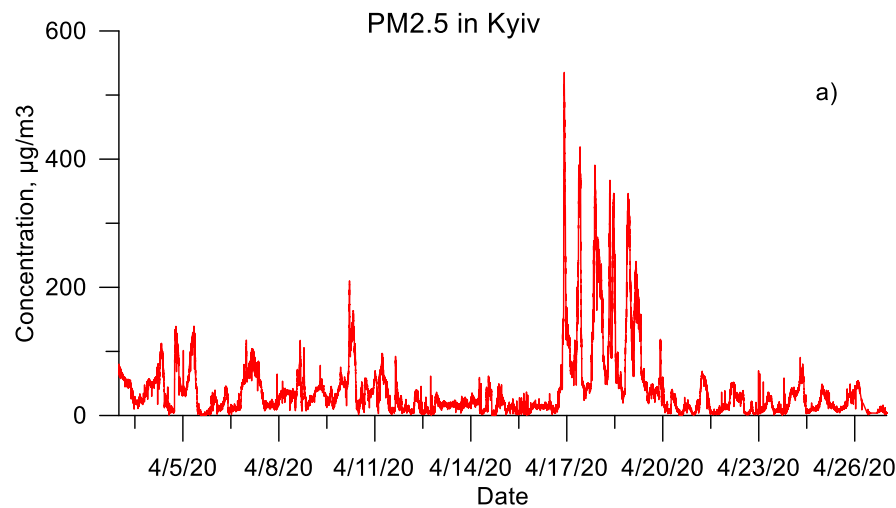


The simulated ground-level distribution of concentration of ^{137}Cs averaged for the 24 hr period (16.04.2022, 06 UTC -17.04.2022, 06 UTC);

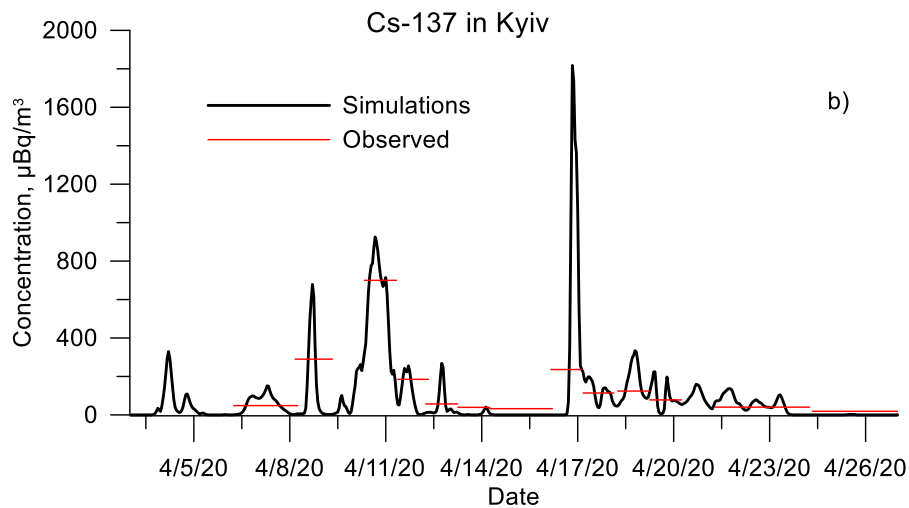
a) concentration created by all sources;

b) concentration created only by wind resuspension during the dust storm;

Isolines: 1, 25, 50, 100, 250, 500, 1500, 2500 $\mu\text{Bq}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$.



a) Time series of PM2.5 concentrations in Kyiv according to measurement data from www.saveecobot.com;



b) time series of observed (Masson et al., 2021) and simulated concentrations of ^{137}Cs in Kyiv.

In summary:

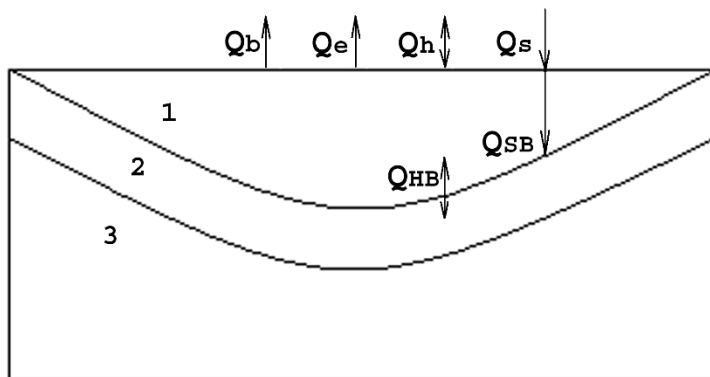
- Ensemble iterative source inversion method (EISIM) was developed to properly take into account uncertainties in input data and model parameters in process of source term estimation
- About 500 (up to 1300) GBq came from wildfires
- About 25 (up to 100) GBq came from dust storm
- Re-emission of contaminated ash by dust storm, happening along with wildfire is a kind of 'compound extreme'

3D modeling of heat transfer processes

THREETOX is the 3-dimensional model of thermo-hydrodynamics developed in IMMSP. It includes

- Reynolds-averaged equations in Boussinesq and hydrostatic approximations
- k - ϵ turbulence model
- Heat and salt transfer equations
- Improved formulas for heat exchange between air, water and bottom

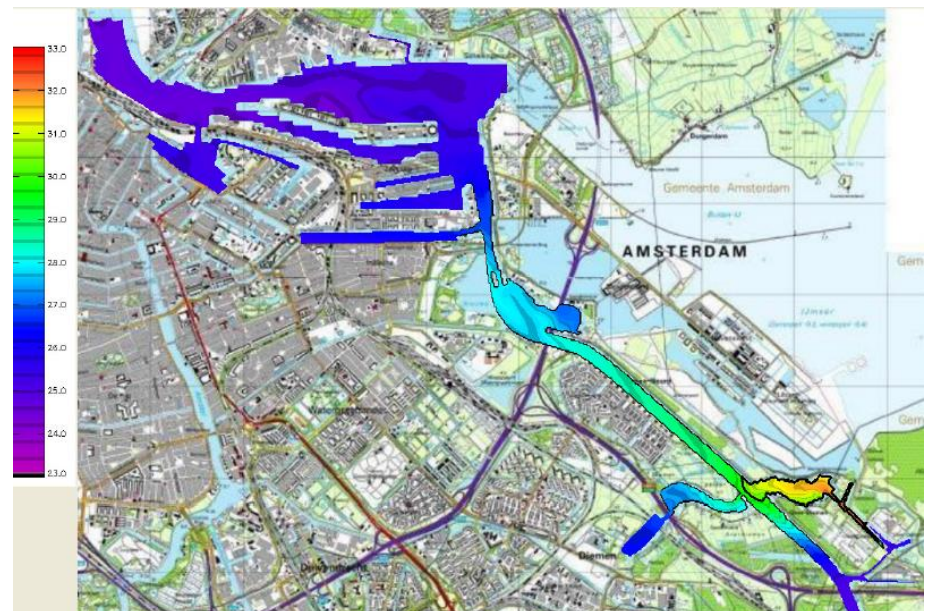
Heat exchange with atmosphere and bottom



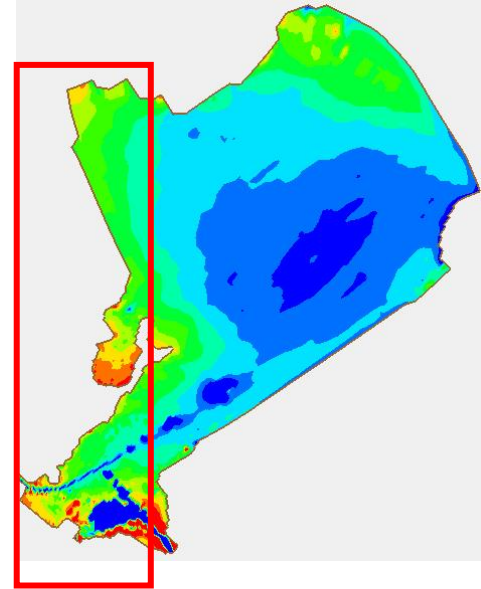
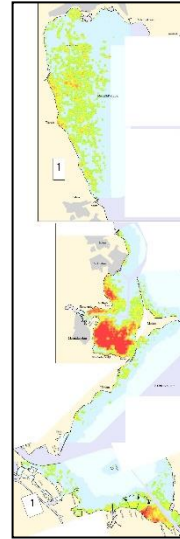
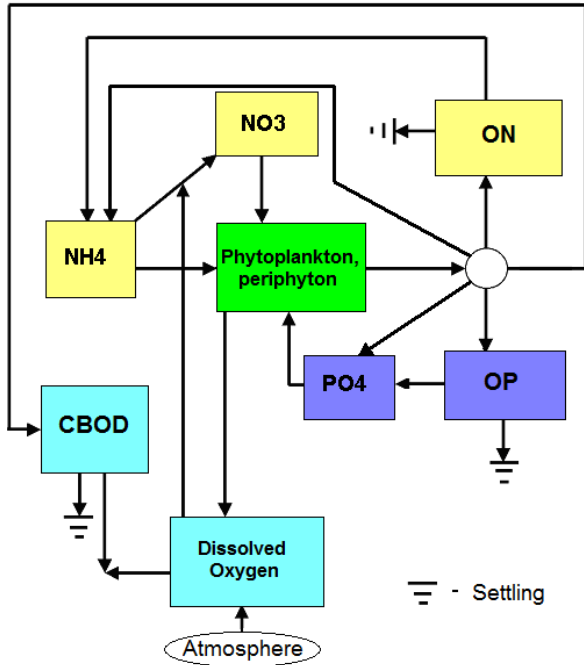
1 - water layer

2 – active bottom layer

3 – deep bottom layer ($T = \text{const}$)



Water quality components in the THREETOX model



Calculated concentration of periphyton vs measured for lake Markermeer (Netherlands)

3D transport and chemical transformations

$$\frac{\partial C_i}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial x} + V \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial y} + (W - W_{si}) \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(v'_t \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial z} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(A_h \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(A_h \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial y} \right) + \boxed{S_i}$$

Only growth-death processes for periphyton

$$\frac{\partial C_P}{\partial t} = S_P$$

chemical transformations

Lagrangian methods for simulation in marine environment

- Particle tracking methods are conservative
- Powerful tool to analyze the output of ocean circulation models
- Random walk methods used for turbulent mixing
- Simple and effective parallelization
- A generalized probabilistic approach was developed to simulate transitions of particles between different states (e.g. radioactive decay, adsorption. Interaction with surface or bottom, droplets breakup)
- Lagrangian models of oil spill transport, sediments and radionuclide transport were developed verified and applied for a number of problems

Oil transport and fate model OILTOX

OILTOX is Lagrangian model to simulate oil transport and fate in four interacted phases: oil-on-surface, oil-in-water, oil-on-bottom, oil-at-shoreline

Model numerical features

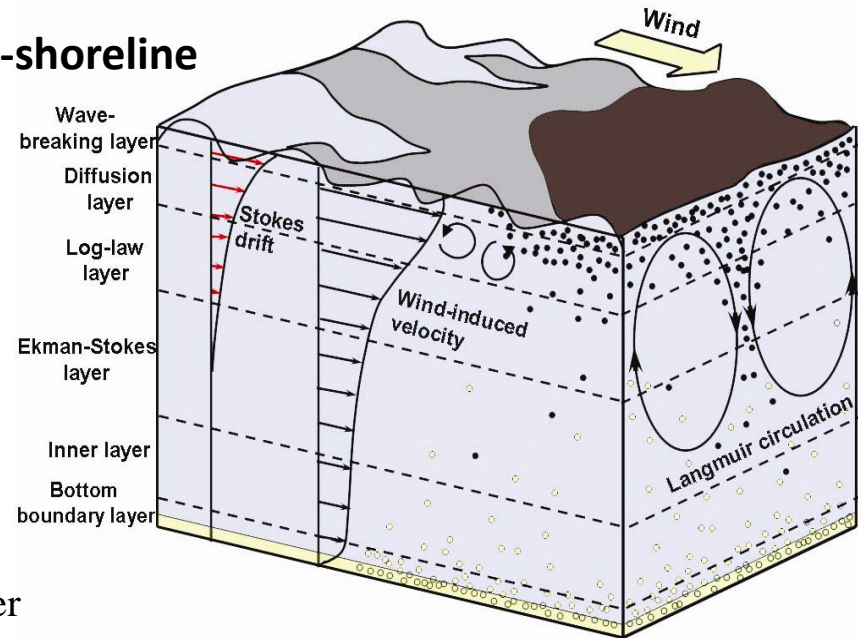
- Lagrangian algorithm for particle tracking
- 3D Random Walk method for turbulent diffusion of oil droplets
- 2D SPH method for solving shallow water equation for the gravitational spreading of surface oil slick
- Solves Kolmogorov equation for the probability of particle evaporation

Transport processes

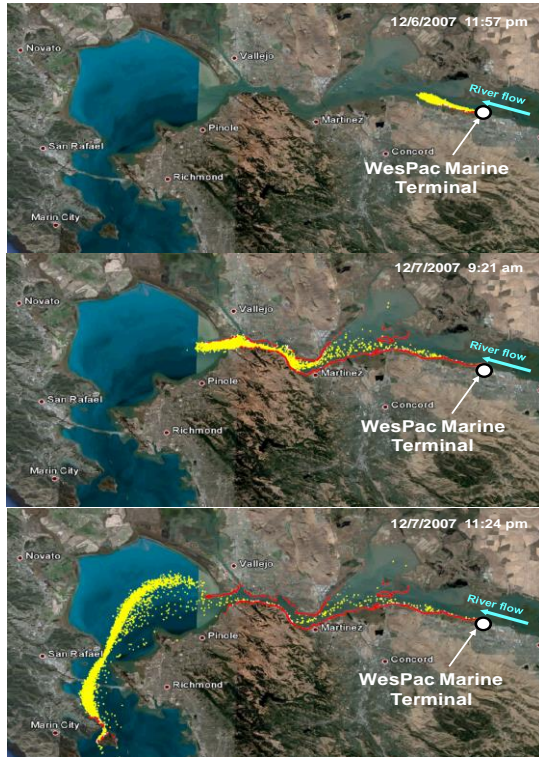
- Spreading
- Advection
- Horizontal and vertical turbulent dispersion
- Oil-shore interaction

Weathering processes

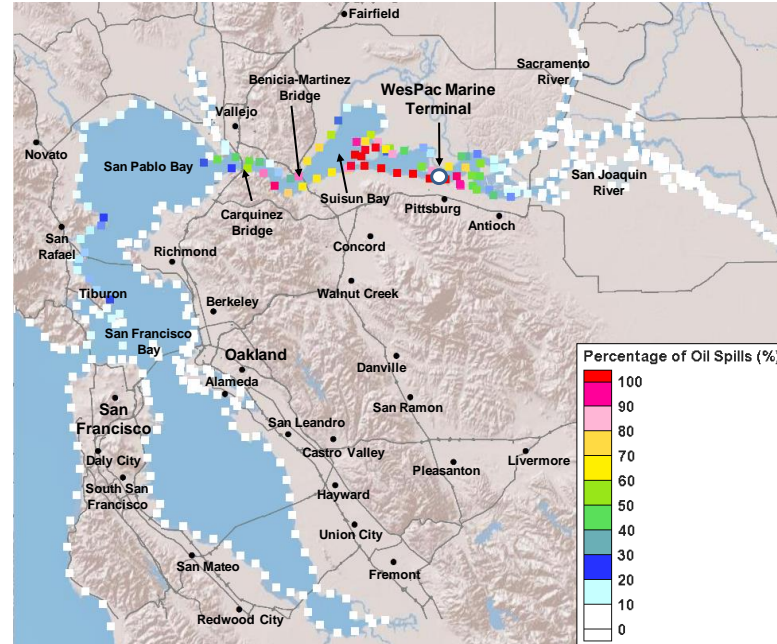
- Evaporation
- Entrainment in water
- Emulsification
- Dissolution
- Sedimentation



Oil Spill Analysis WesPac Pittsburg Energy Infrastructure (San-Francisco bay)

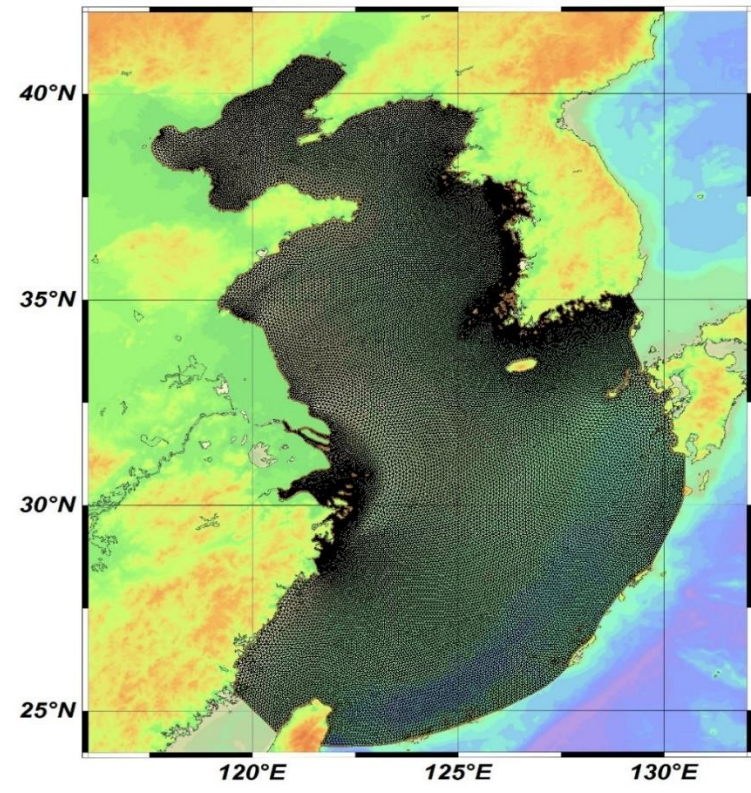
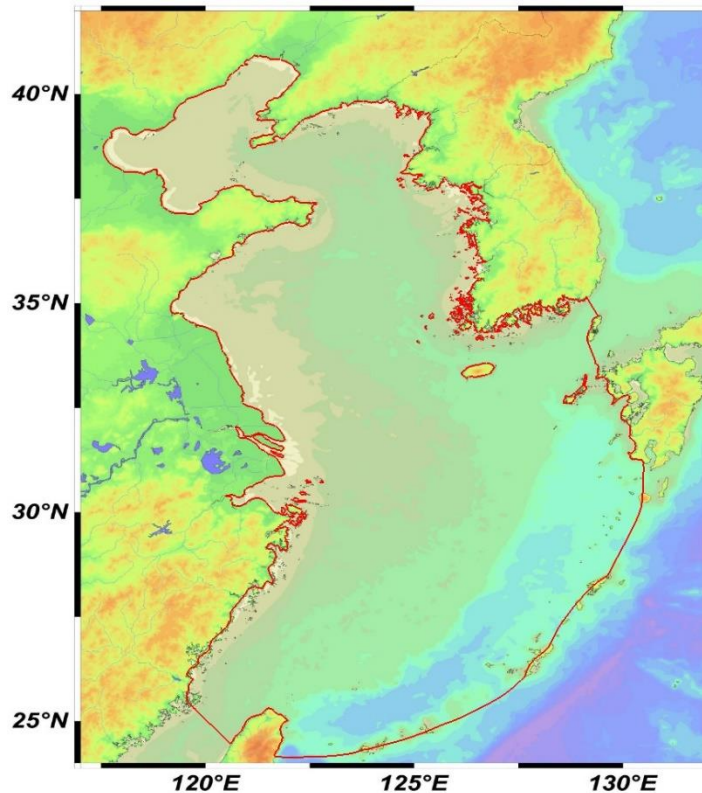


Example spill trajectory for a winter OILTOX simulation at three different times



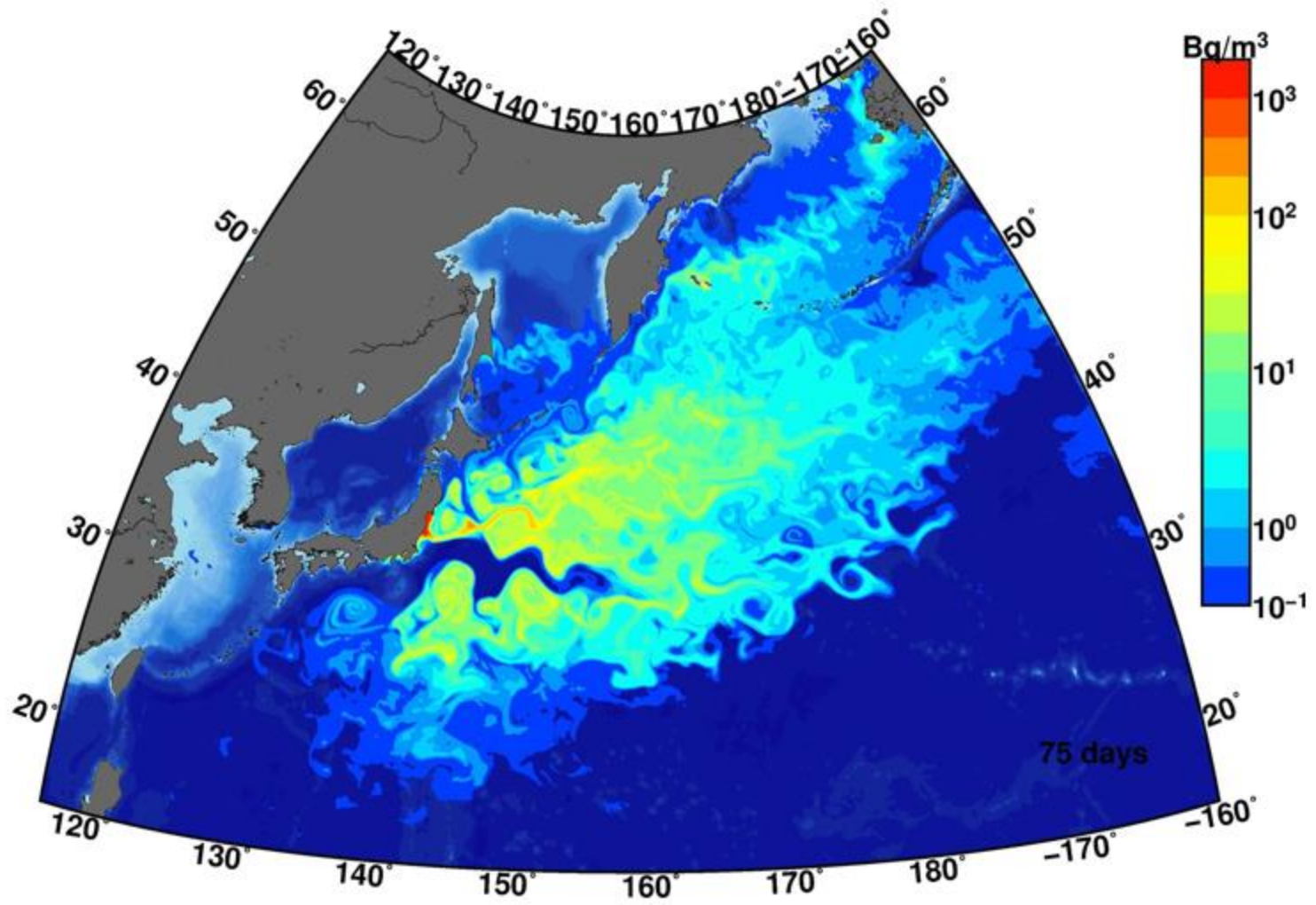
For each of the 12 modeling scenarios, 100 individual oil spills occurring during winter and 100 individual oil spills occurring during summer were simulated with the OILTOX model, for a total of 2,400 oil spill modeling runs

Sediment transport simulation. Application for the Yellow Sea



Unstructured model with mixed s-z vertical coordinate system,
resolution: from 400m to 8km
5 sediment sizes fractions
Tides, river inflow
Atmospheric forcing, heat fluxes

Large scale lagrangian modelling of ^{137}Cs concentration after the Fukushima accident



3D lagrangian random walk algorithm
Radioactive decay

- IMMSP team is ready for collaboration within the PEEEX initiative in the fields of atmospheric and marine modeling
- Thank you for attention!