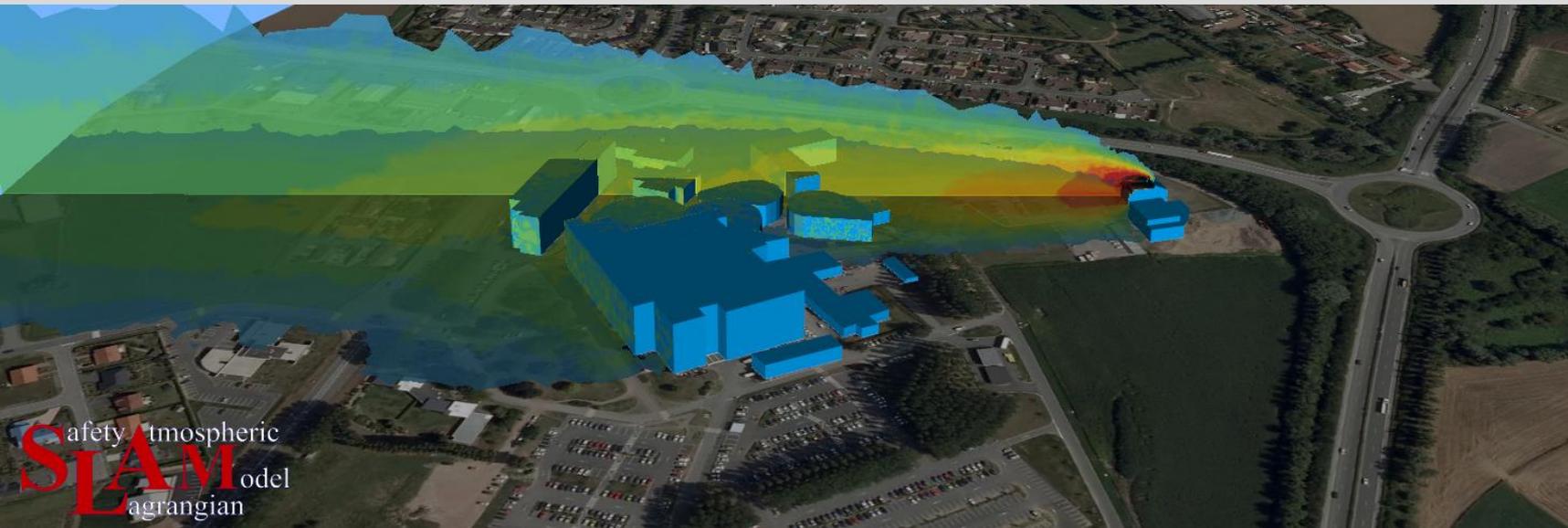


## EVALUATION OF A LAGRANGIAN DISPERSION MODEL COUPLED WITH A CFD WIND FIELD DATABASE AGAINST A NEW FULL SCALE ATMOSPHERIC TRACER EXPERIMENT



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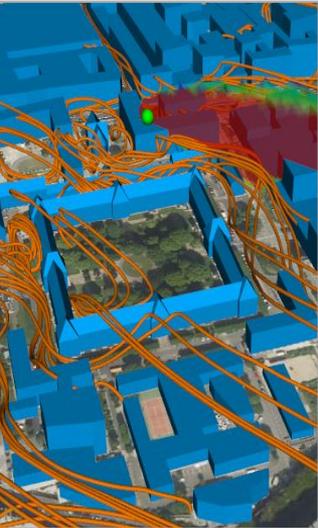
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# THE DIFLU PROJECT



- Context and objectives
  - Improving and evaluating atmospheric dispersion models in the vicinity of obstacles and buildings are **important challenges**
    - Impact assessment of pollutants in urban areas
    - Risk prevention and emergency response
  - DIFLU project "Dispersion du Fluor 18 en Milieu Urbain" study the **near field dispersion** of a gas emitted in an urban or industrial environment

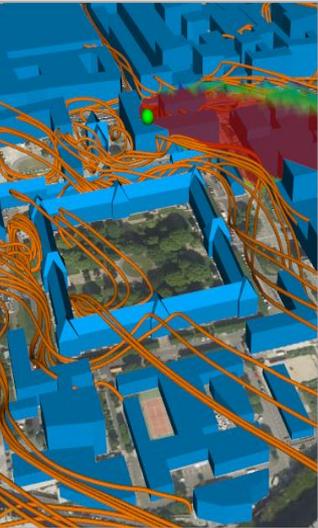




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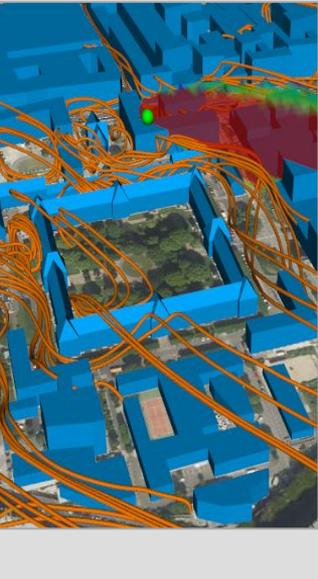
- Context and objectives
  - IRSN has performed a **full scale atmospheric tracer experiment**, using helium tracer, in the first 200 meters around a **cyclotron**
  - Measured concentrations, for a variety of atmospheric stability conditions, constitute a **new original dataset** for the validation of atmospheric dispersion models at short distance of buildings
  - **Compare the results obtained with the SLAM** (Safety Lagrangian Atmospheric Model) model against the DIFLU experiment dataset





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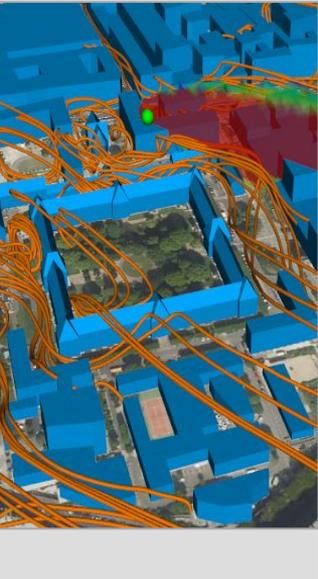
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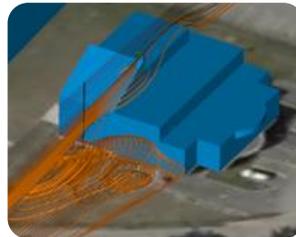


- Flow'Air 3D Methodology – Objectives :
  - Developed by the AIR team of LMFA for ten years in a research program on the development of a methodology aimed at using the **3D CFD** approach in an **operational context**, with a robust and validated approach and **short simulation times**

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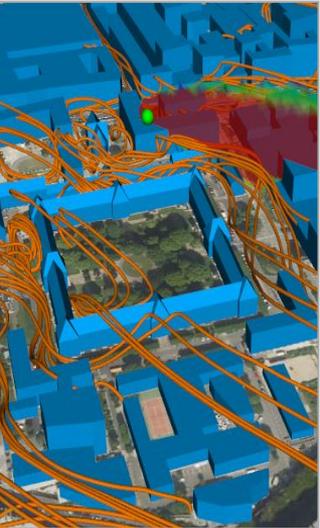


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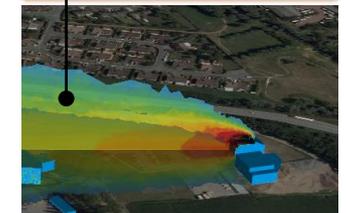
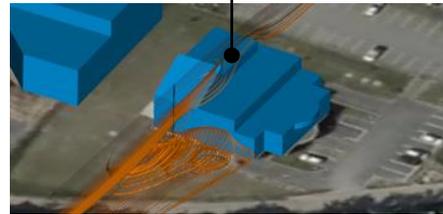
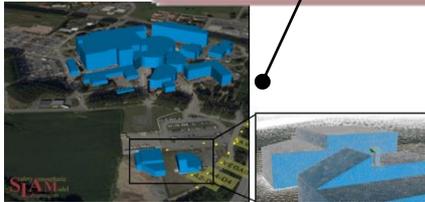
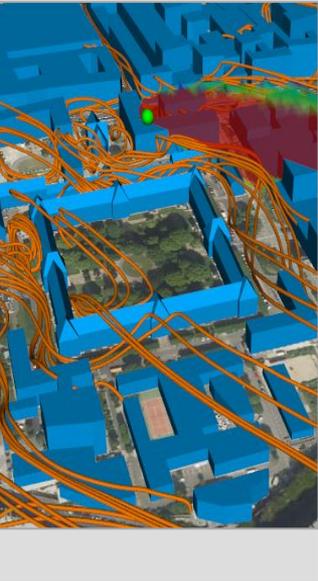
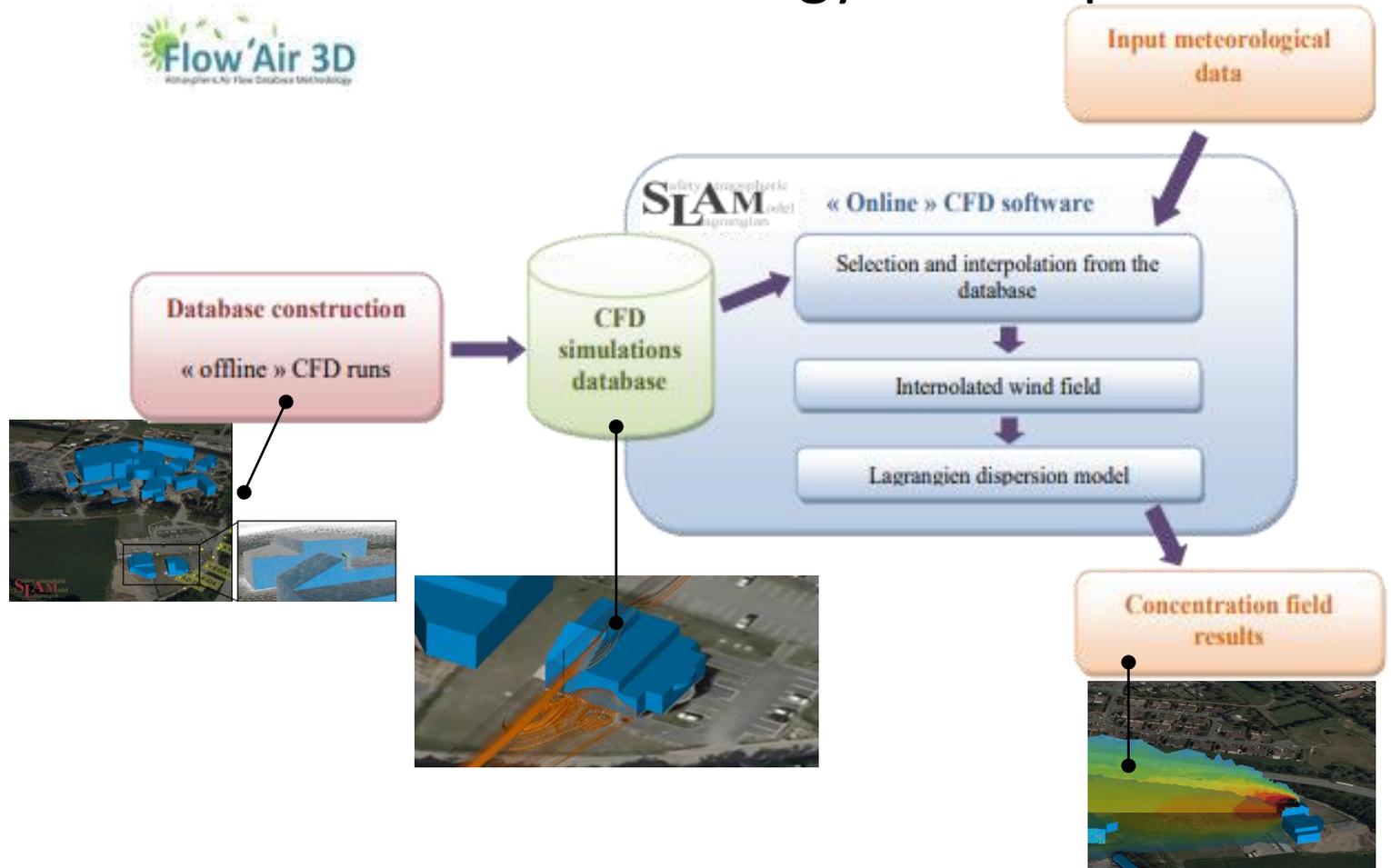
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- Flow'AIR 3D Methodology – Principe :
  - Make in advance a **database of wind fields** on the considered industrial site. Only the dispersion is modeled in operational situations and time savings is considerable
  - Parameters that constitute the database : **wind direction, friction velocity  $u^*$  and the inverse of the Monin-Obukhov length**
  - **Discretization of the database in 18 wind directions and 7 values of  $1/LMO$**  can limit the interpolation error in the database to a few percents. Once the database is done, it is **used as input for the Lagrangian model SLAM**



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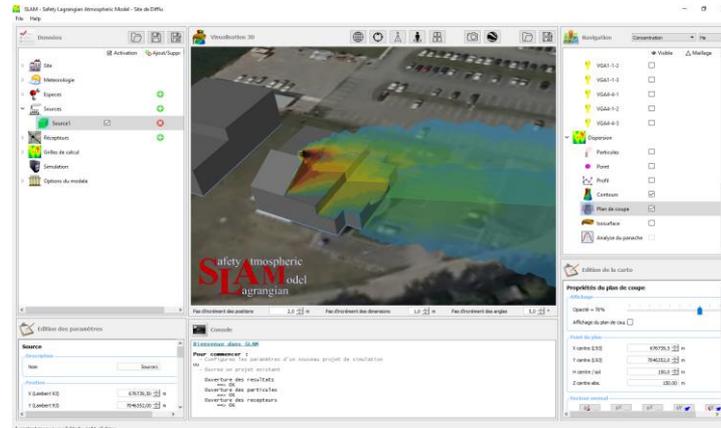
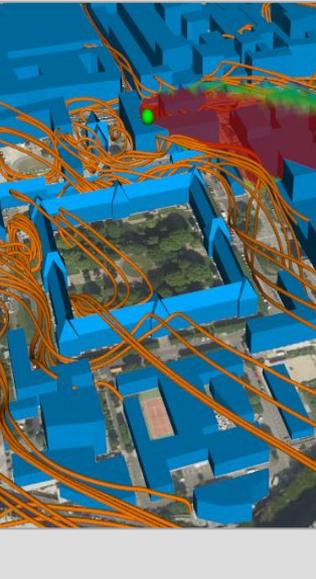




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- Lagrangian model SLAM – Presentation
  - Developed by LMFA for ten years
  - A lagrangian stochastic particles dispersion model (Vendel et al., 2011, Marro et al., 2014), **coupled with a wind and turbulence fields database**
  - **Stationary version** of SLAM, called SLAM\_S, has been used in DIFLU

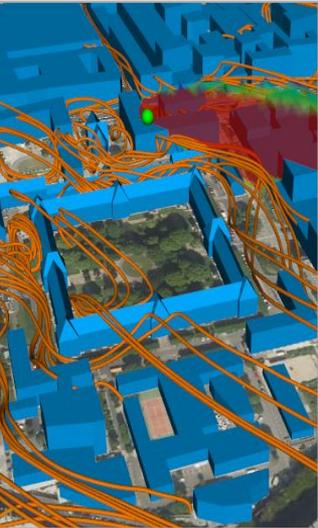




# DESCRIPTION OF THE MEASUREMENT CAMPAIGNS



- DIFLU project studies radiological materials produced and partially emitted in the atmosphere by cyclotrons located very close to urban hospitals
- Two **3-day field campaigns** were carried out in October and December 2019 at the **Beuvry hospital site (France)**



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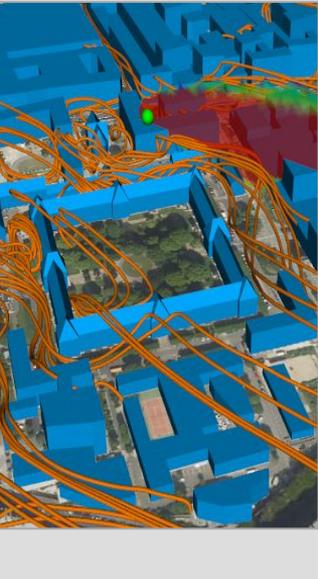




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- Dispersion was studied in the near field (<500 m) of the cyclotron
- **19 helium releases** and **395 atmospheric concentration measurements**

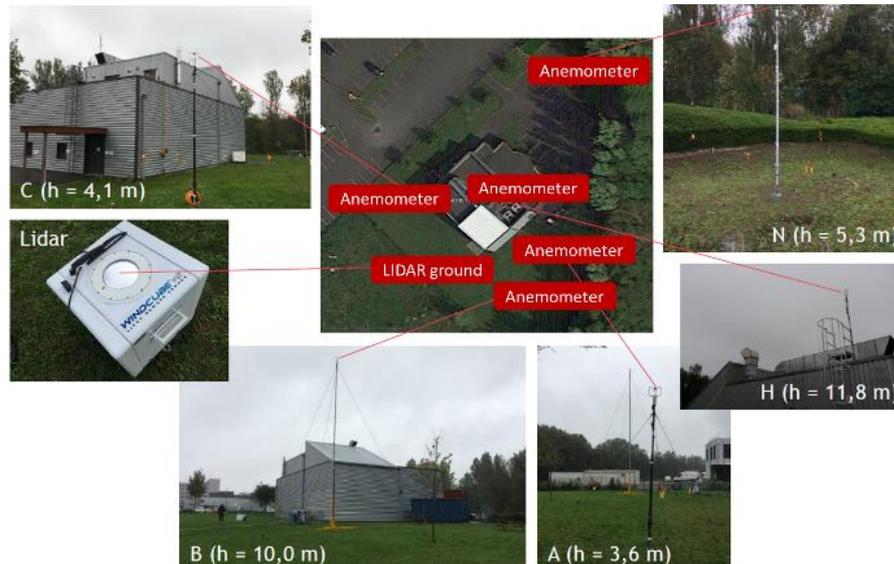
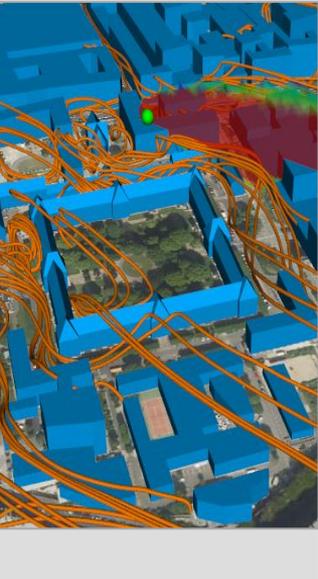


*Focus on geometry of the cyclotron's stack*



- Helium atmospheric concentrations were documented along with meteorological and micrometeorological measurements :

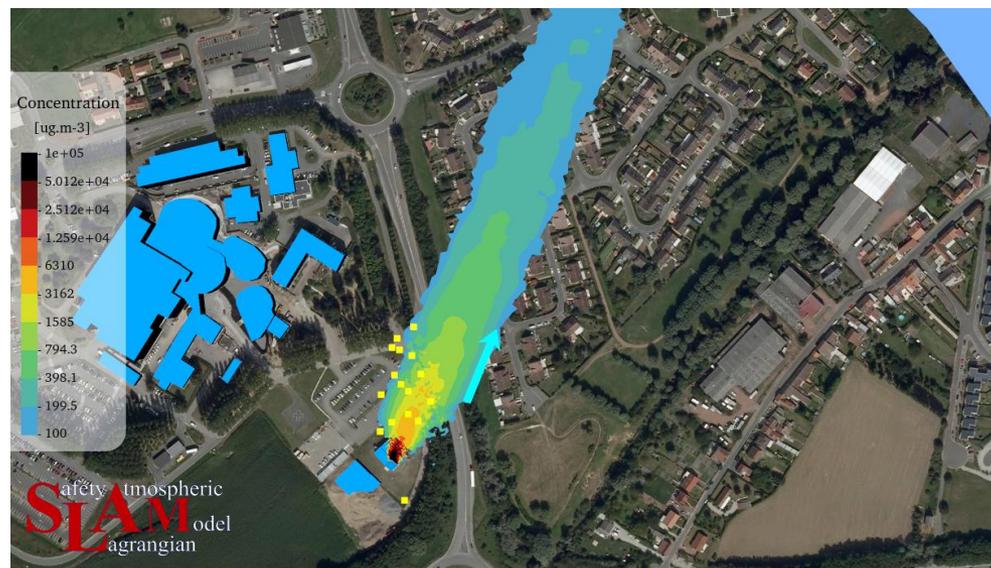
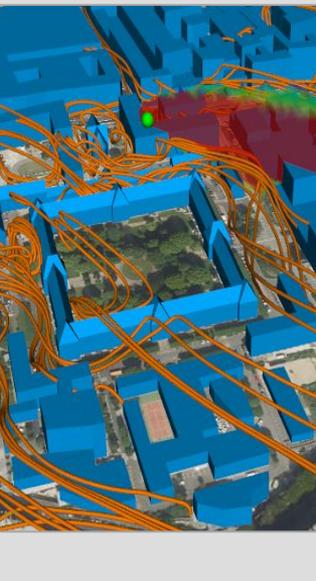
- One wind LIDAR
- Five ultrasonic anemometers



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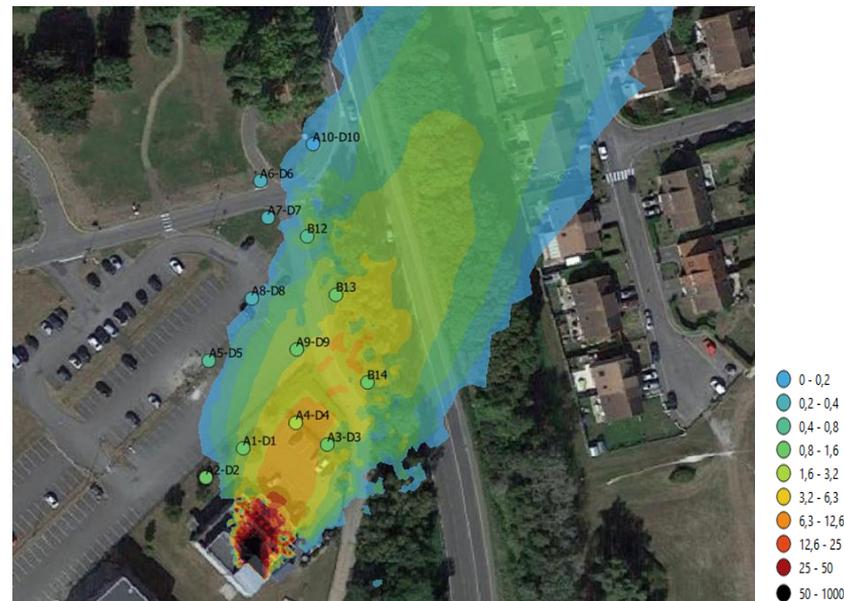
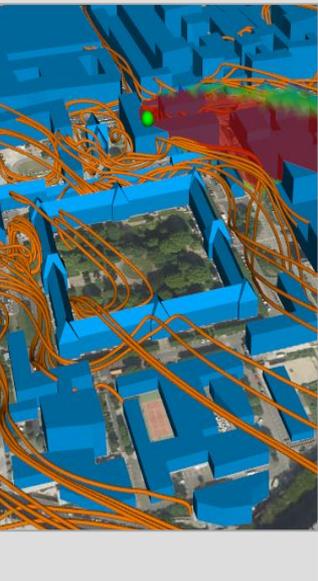


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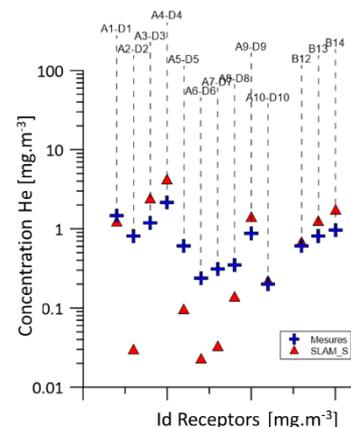
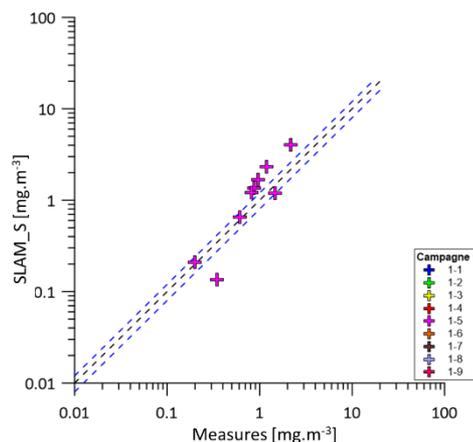
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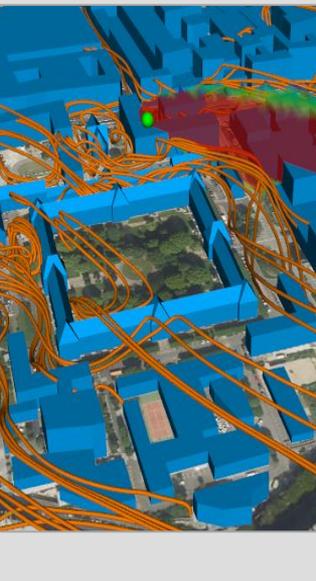
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FB	NMSE	ER	R	MG	VG	FAC2
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Statistics of intercomparison measures-model for one scenario ( $\text{mg}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ )



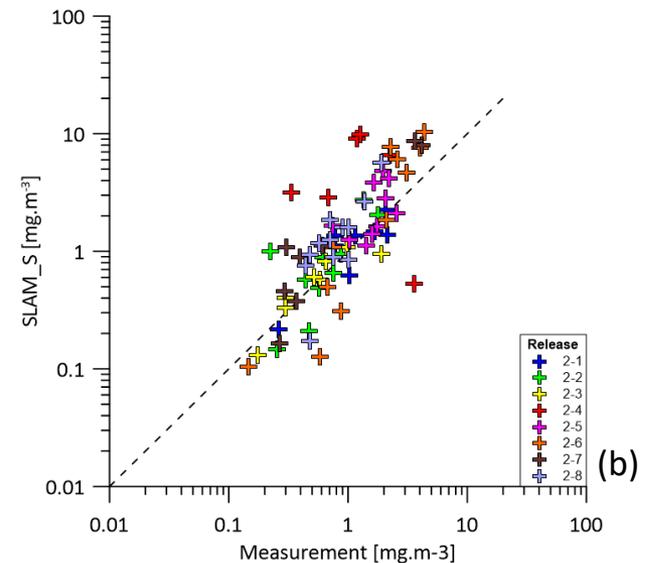
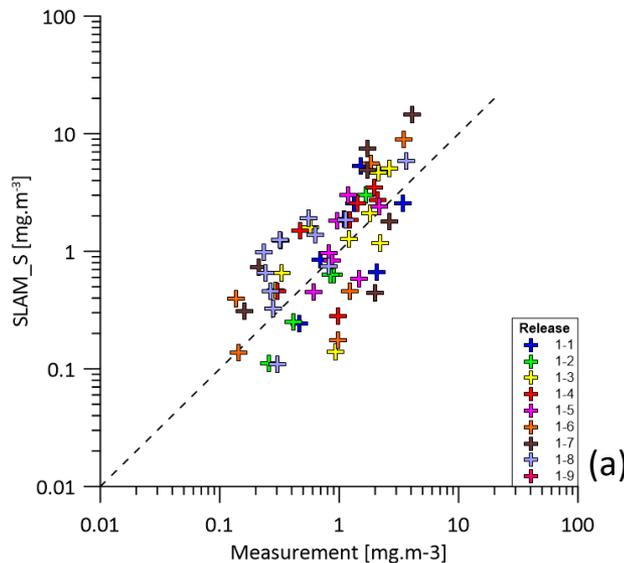
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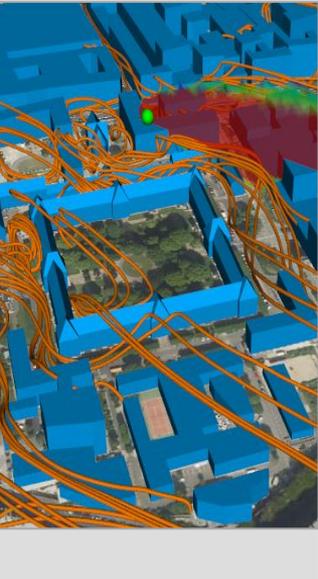
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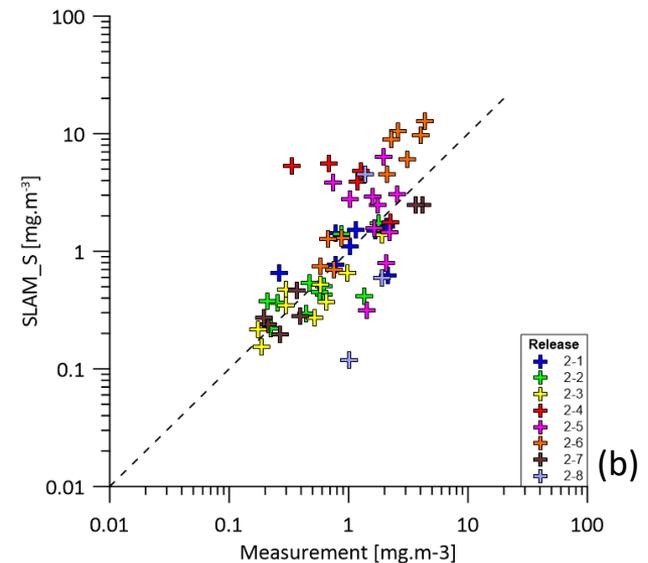
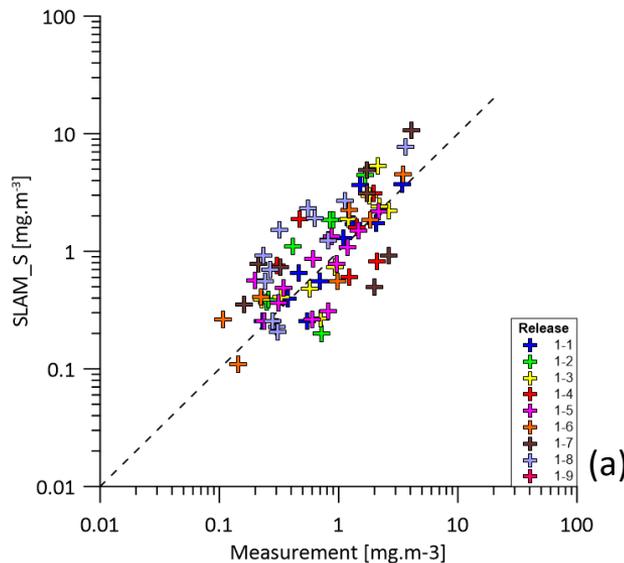
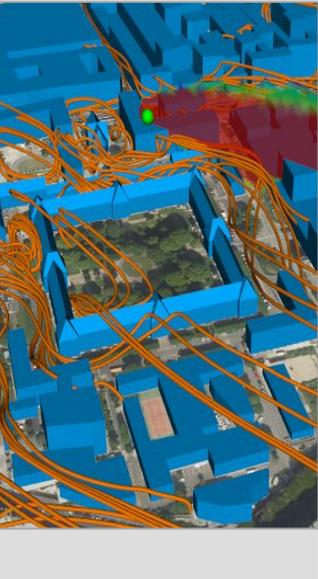
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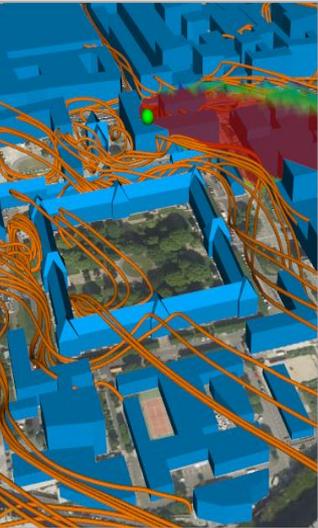
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## CONCLUSIONS



- Results show a **good correlation between SLAM\_S estimates and measurements**
- Results are globally more satisfactory using meteorological data from the wind LIDAR
- This highlights the **sensibility of the modelled concentrations to meteorological input**. Further analysis will be carried out to explain the results discrepancies between the different campaigns and the different releases



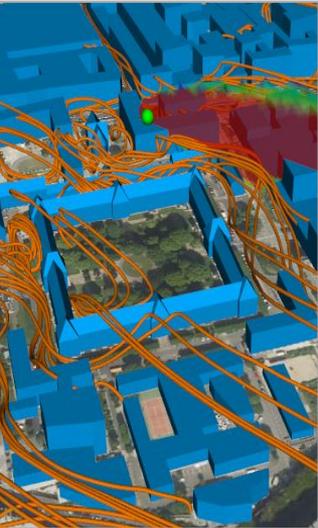


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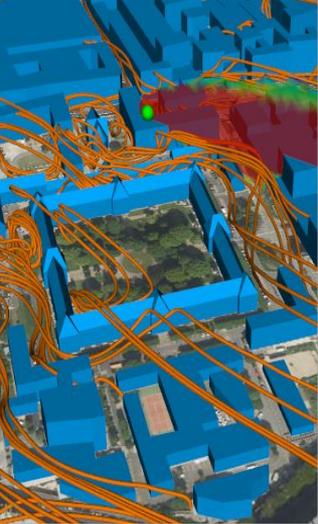
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