



# ADVANCED MONITORING TECHNOLOGIES THE NEXT FRONTIER

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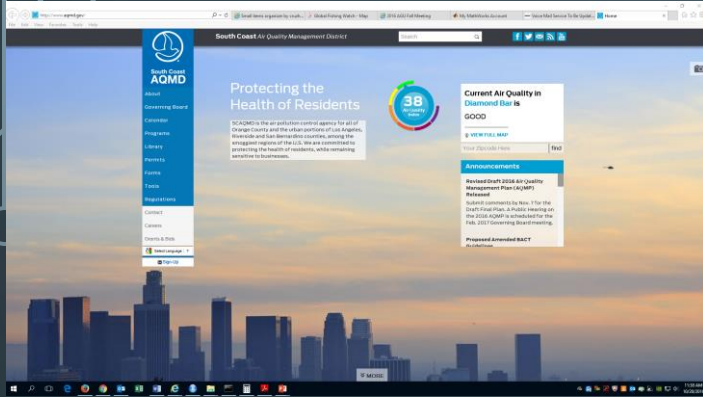
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# OUTLINE

- South Coast Air Quality Management District – who we are and what we do
- Optical Remote Sensing
  - SCAQMD Fenceline Monitoring and Optical Remote Sensing Program
  - Technology Demonstration Studies
  - Controlled-release Experiment
- Low-cost Air Quality Sensors
  - Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center (AQ-SPEC)
  - Sensor Network Pilot Studies
- Future work

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Diamond Bar, California

- 4-county region
- 10,000 sq. miles
- Over 17 million residents
- Over 11 million gasoline vehicles
- Over 261,000 diesel vehicles
- Combined Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles - nation's largest cargo gateway
- Regulate over 27,000 stationary sources
- Refineries, power plants, landfills, fueling stations





SCAQMD Air Monitoring  
Station  
(N Main Street, Los Angeles)



SCAQMD Laboratory in Diamond Bar



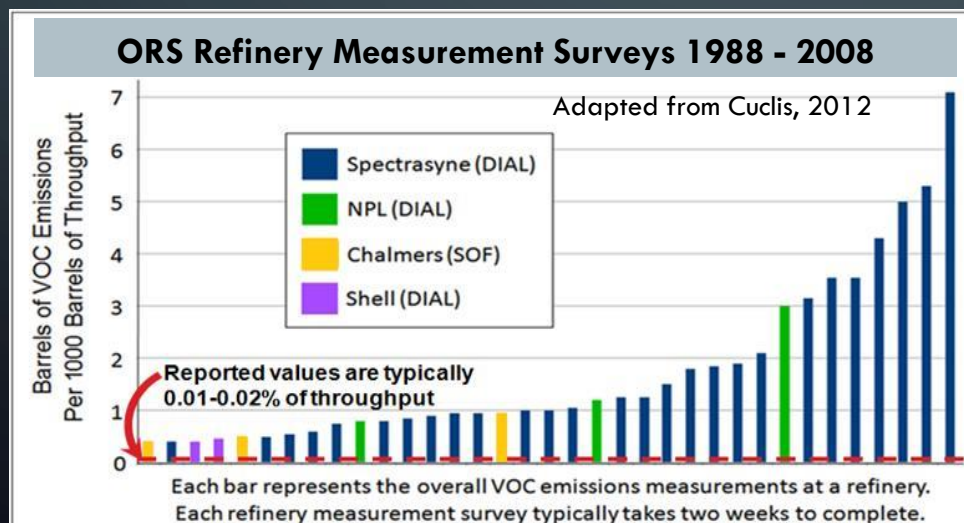
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# OPTICAL REMOTE SENSING



# MOTIVATION

- Optical Remote Sensing (ORS) technologies evolved significantly in the past decade
- Fully automated / continuous / no calibration required
- Ideally suited for long-term fenceline monitoring. Can characterize and quantify emissions
- Can be deployed from various mobile platforms for rapid leak detection, concentrations mapping and emission flux measurements
- Measured VOC emissions can be higher (up to an order of magnitude) than those from emission inventories



## Technical Memorandum

**TO:** EPA Docket No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0146

**FROM:** Brenda Shine, EPA/SPPD

**DATE:** July 27, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Potential Low Bias of Reported VOC Emissions from the Petroleum Refining Industry



# SCAQMD OPTICAL REMOTE SENSING MONITORING PROGRAM

- Demonstrate feasibility and effectiveness of fenceline monitoring using optical remote sensing
- Improve LDAR program and reduce emissions
- Provide real-time alerts to downwind communities
- Measure actual facility-wide emissions
- Improve existing emission inventory estimates



2008  
LP-DOAS for fenceline monitoring. Contractor failed to fulfill obligations



2012 – 2014  
Two successful technology demonstration projects for refineries



2015  
ORS measurements campaign to study emissions from refineries, small stationary sources and ships



2016-2018  
Combined ORS and low-cost sensors deployments to study impacts of HAPs on communities

# 2015 SCAQMD OPTICAL REMOTE SENSING STUDY

- Project 1: Quantify fugitive emissions from large refineries
- Project 2: Quantify gaseous emissions from small point sources
- Project 3: Quantify stack emissions from marine vessels/ports





# METHODS: SOLAR OCCULTATION FLUX (SOF)

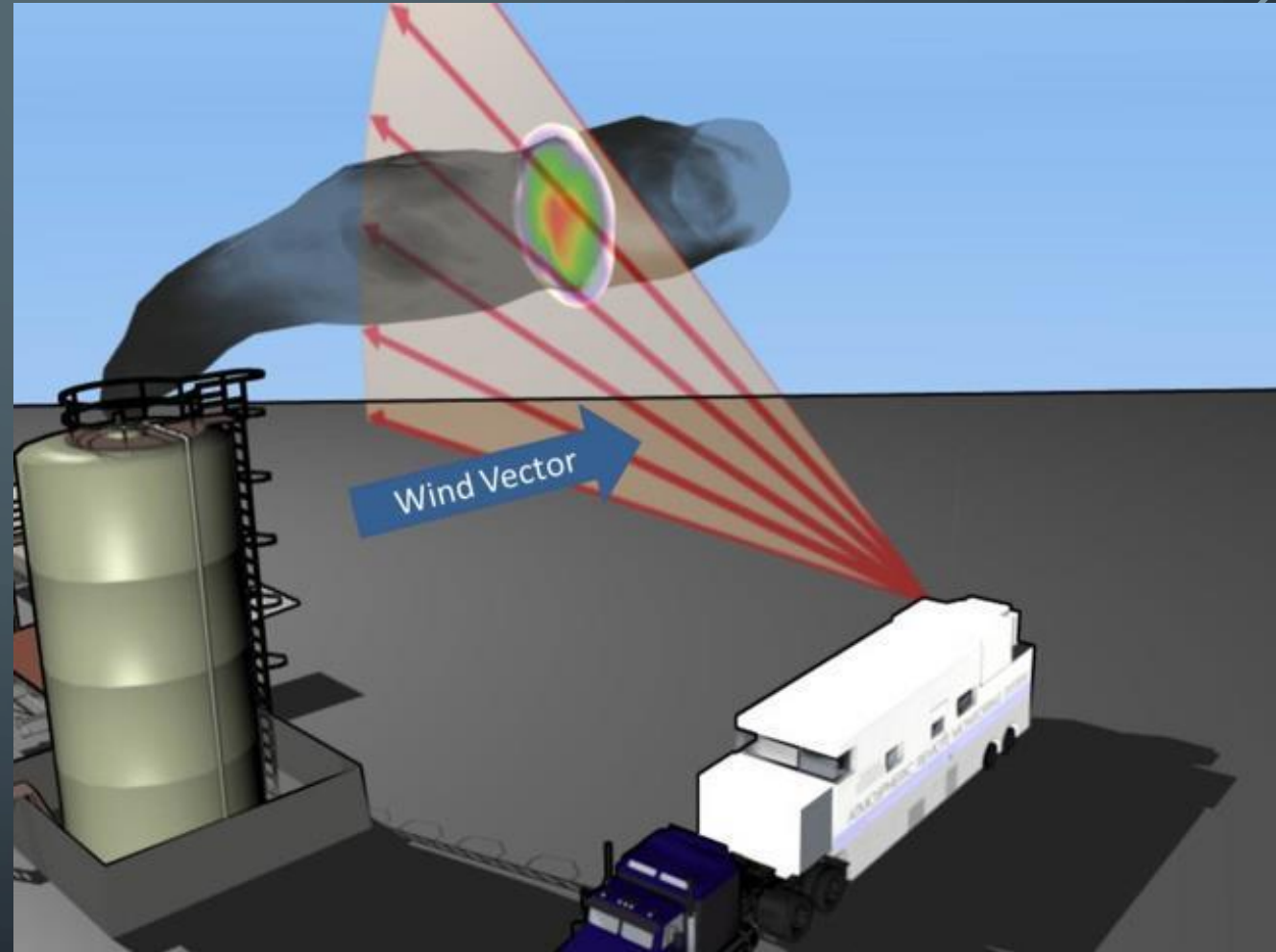
- Mobile measurements to record total mass of molecules along path traveled
- Total mass and wind data used to calculate flux emissions (kg/s)
- Also can be used identify “hot-spot” areas inside the facility
- Light source – direct sunlight
- Daylight measurements only
- Accurate wind data obtained using SCAQMD’s LIDAR



# METHODS: DIFFERENTIAL ABSORPTION LIDAR (DIAL)

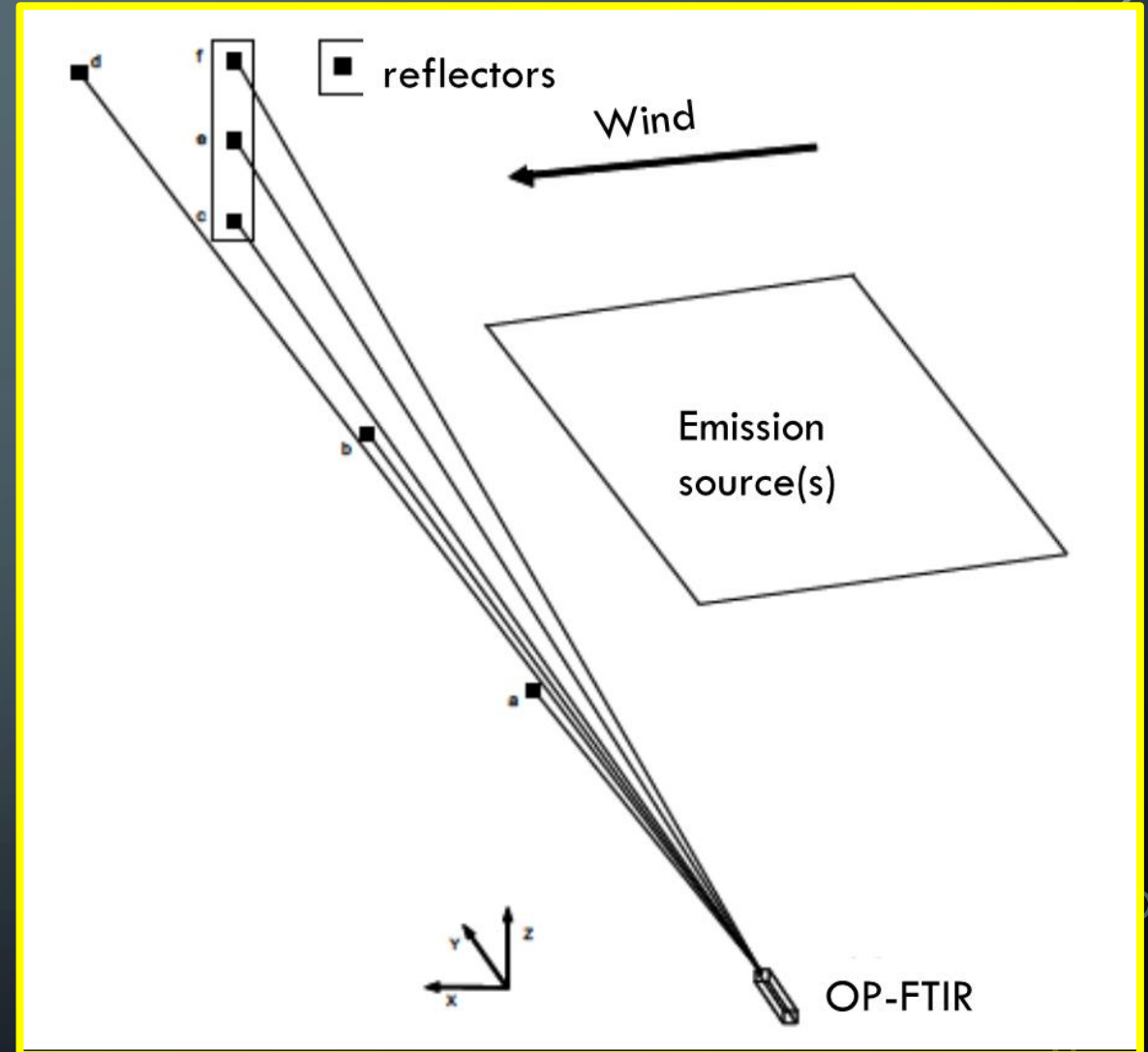


- Vertical scans enable plume mapping and flux calculation
- Combine integrated concentration with simple wind field to obtain flux
- Can measure away from source
- Light source – IR or UV laser
- Daytime and nighttime measurements



# METHODS: VERTICAL RADIAL PLUME MAPPING (VRPM)

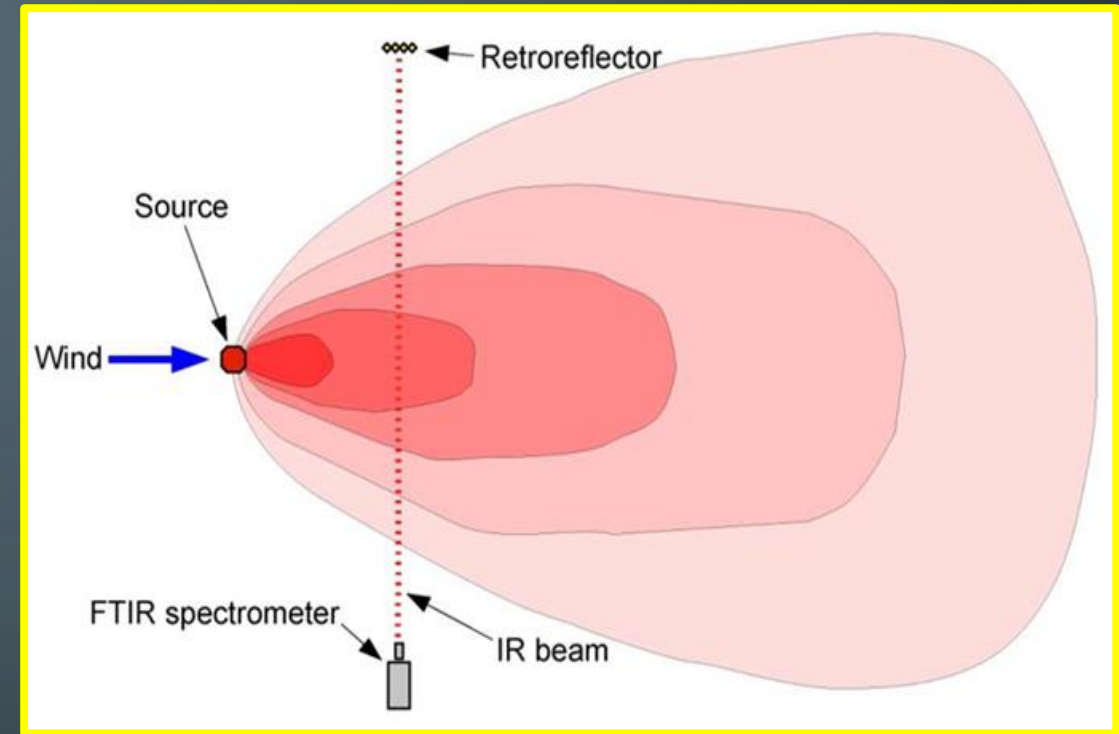
- OP-FITR system is positioned downwind from the source
- Multiple retroreflectors strategically placed to cover outflow from the source
- VRPM combines path-averaged concentrations from OP-FITR measurements with wind speed and direction to calculate emission fluxes
- Permanent installation





# METHODS: AREA SOURCE TECHNIQUE

- Single light path OP-FITR system is positioned downwind from the source
- Retroreflector is placed so emission plume crosses the light path
- Path-averaged concentrations from OP-FITR measurements, wind speed and direction used to model emission fluxes
- Quick installation for short-term deployments



# PROJECT 1: QUANTIFY FUGITIVE EMISSIONS FROM LARGE REFINERIES



## ■ FluxSense

### ■ **SOF + FTIR + DOAS**

- Mobile measurements (daytime only)
- 5 week study at 6 refineries in the SCAB
- Facility-wide emissions of methane, non-methane VOCs, NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, BTEX

## ■ National Physical Laboratory (NPL)

### ■ **DIAL**

- Stationary daytime and nighttime measurements
- 1-week study at 1 refinery
- Facility-wide emissions of non-methane VOCs, BTEX
- **Ideal for field validation**

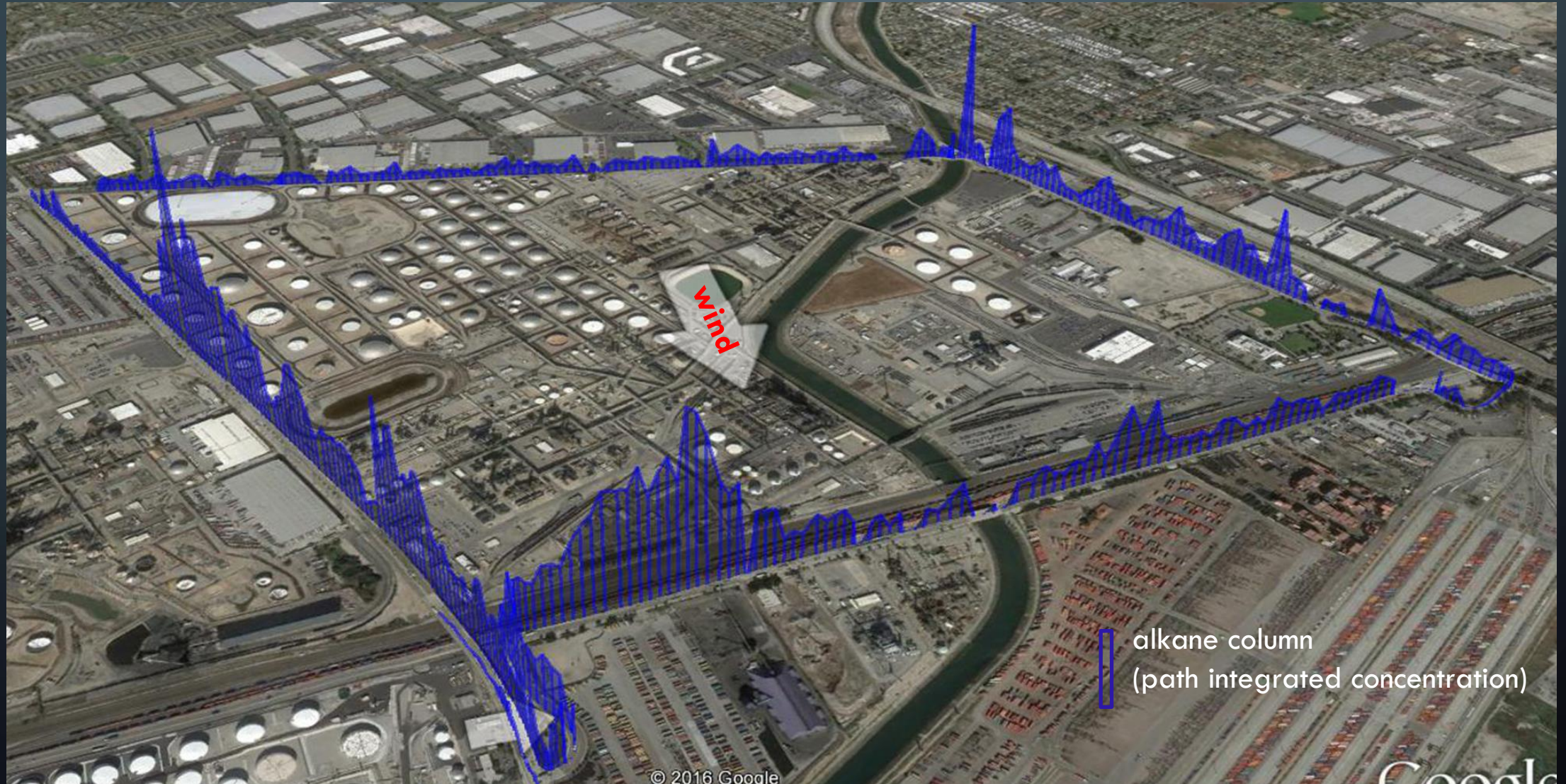
## ■ Atmosfir Optics

### ■ **VRPM Using Open-path FTIR**

- Large installation, continuous (24/7) measurements
- 5-week study at 1 refinery
- Emissions of methane, non-methane VOCs
- EPA OTM-10 method
- **Complements mobile and other short-term observations**

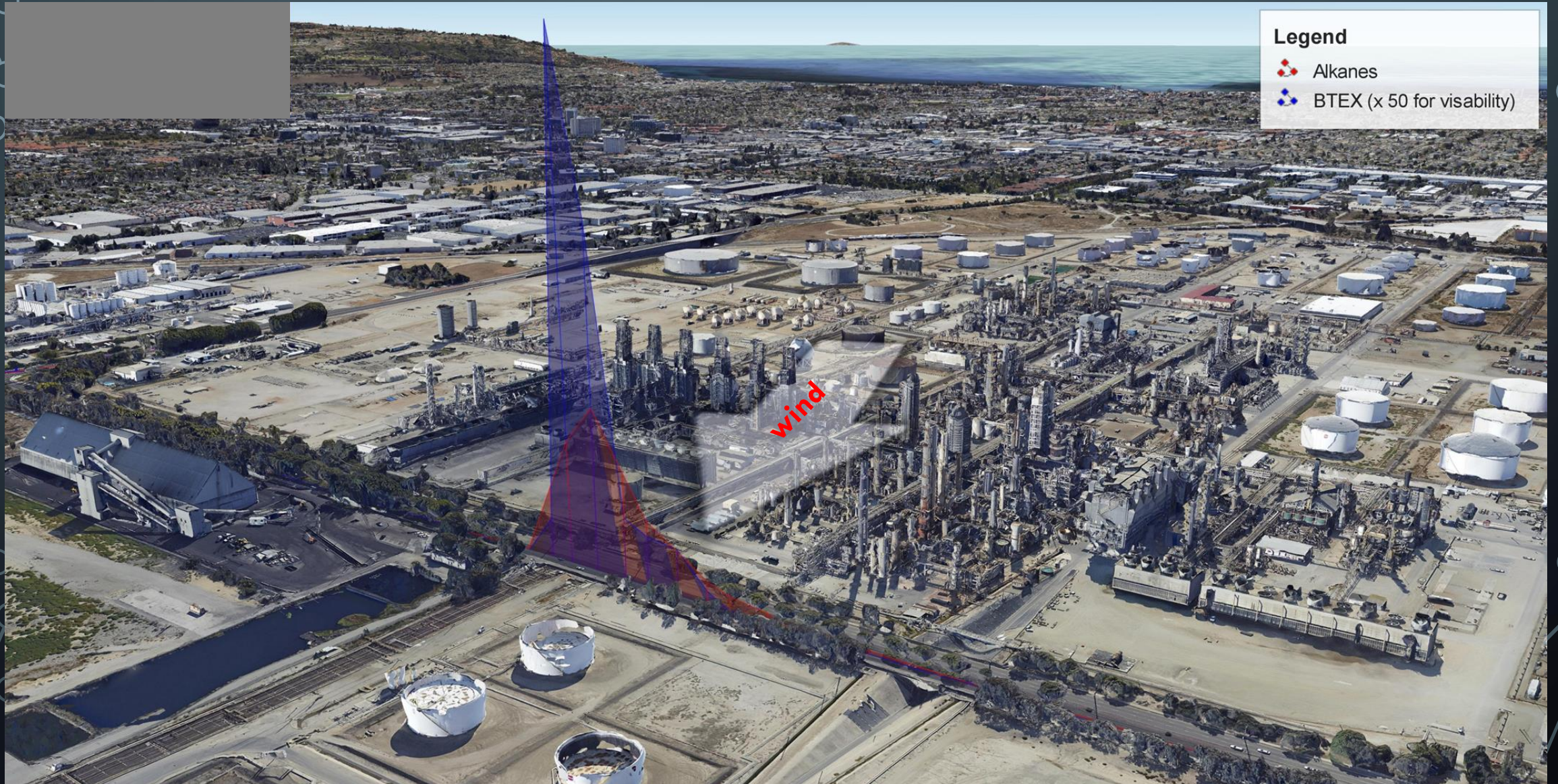


# SOF MEASUREMENTS ALONG REFINERY FENCELINE



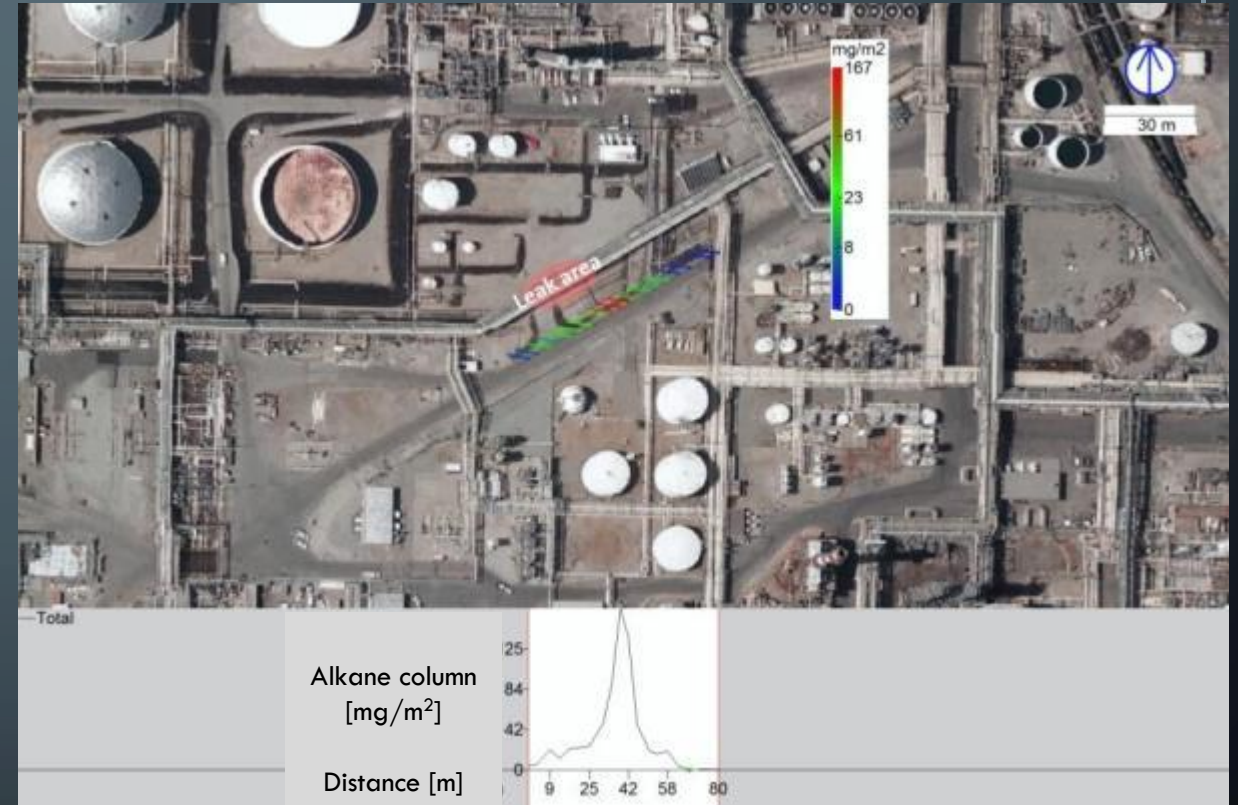
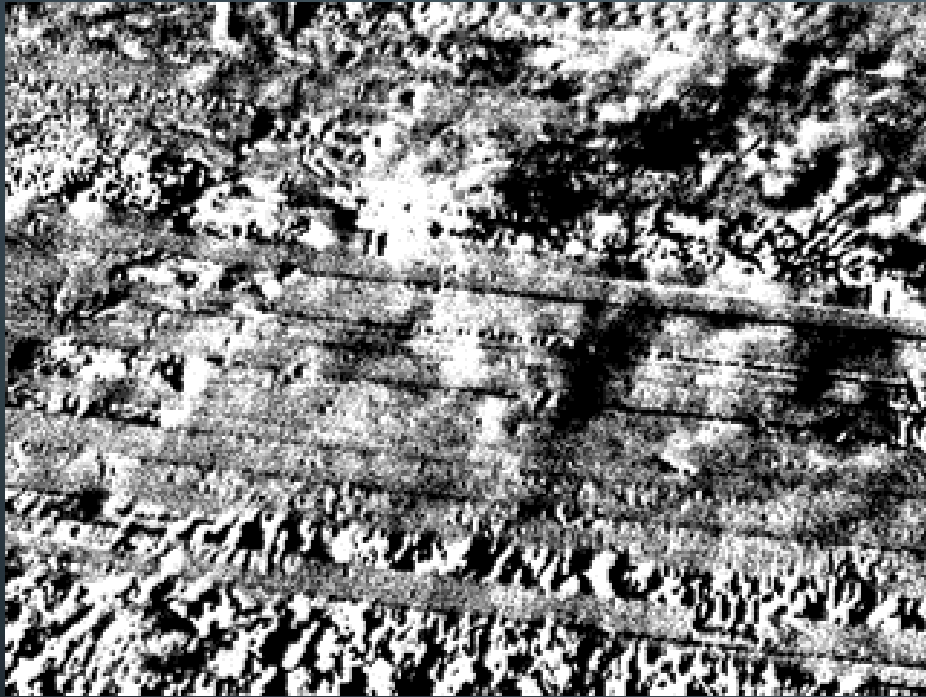


# ALKANES AND BTEX DOWNWIND OF A REFINERY





# DISCOVERY OF UNDERGROUND LEAK FROM A CORRODED PIPE

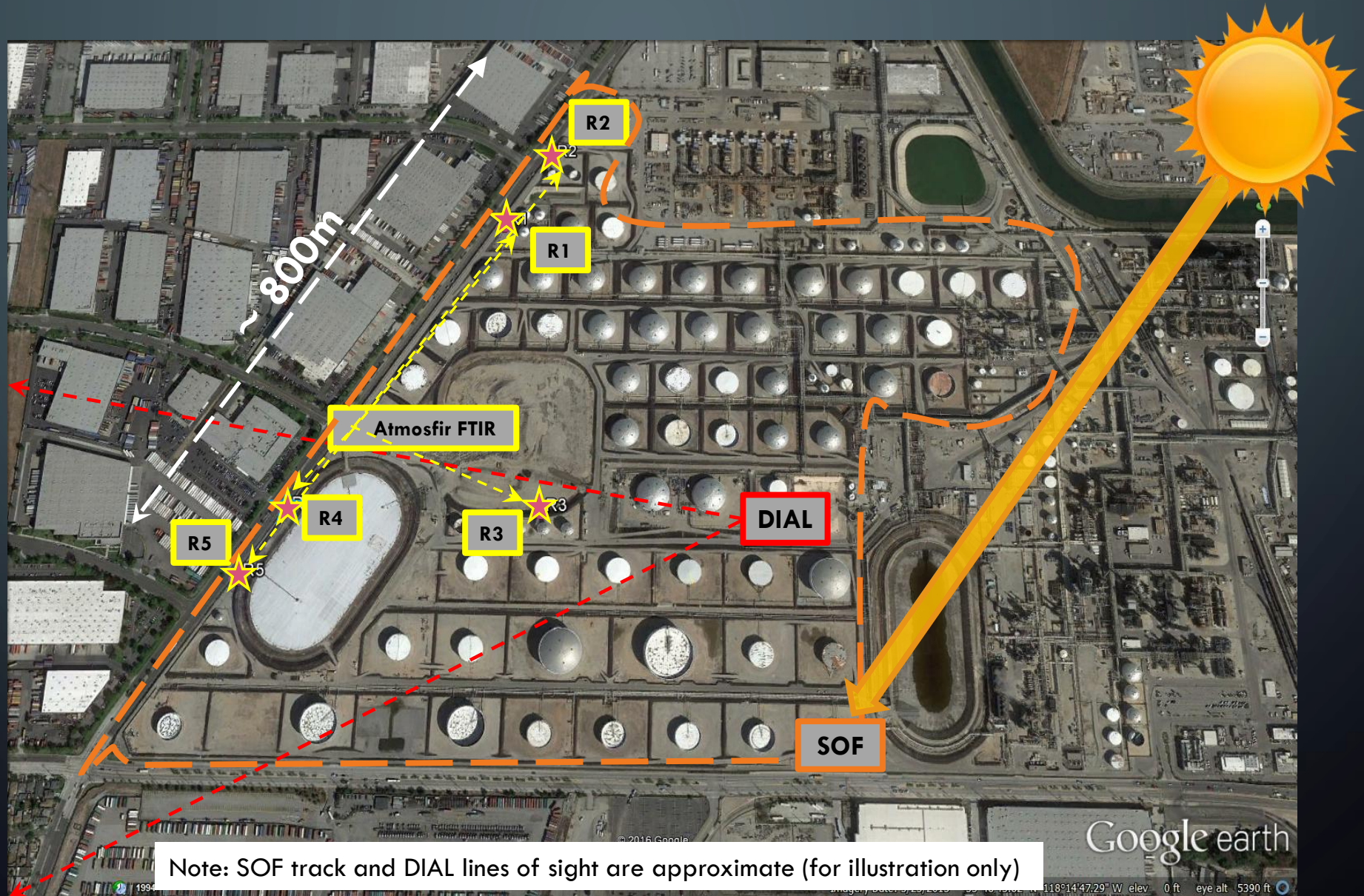


- September 30, 2015, at ~4:00pm
- Fluxsense discovered a leak from a corroded underground pipe
- Discovery was made while driving inside the facility
- FLIR images/videos confirmed emissions from the ground

- Measured alkanes concentrations: ~70,000 ppb
- Average VOC emissions: 31 kg/h



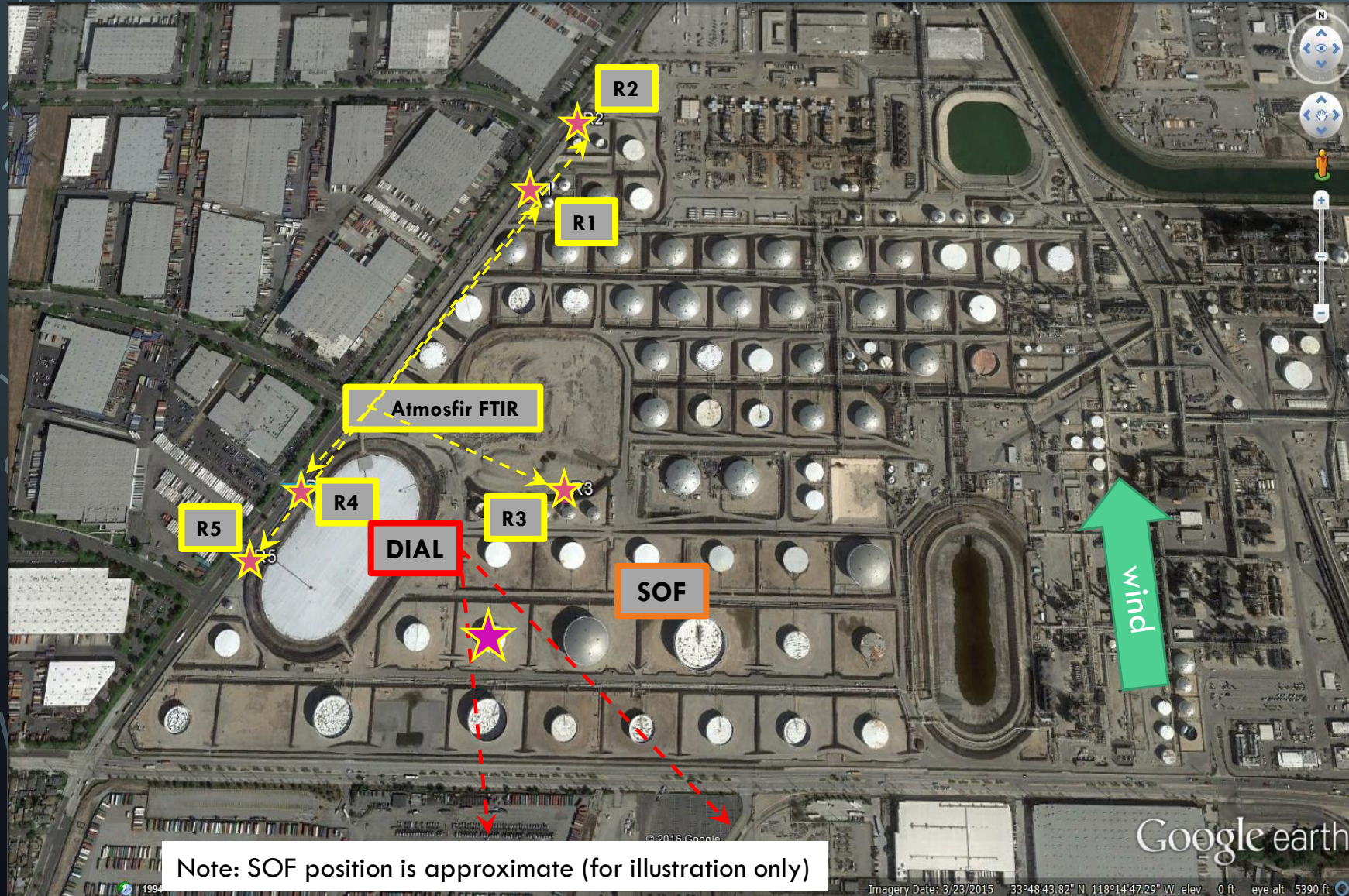
# CO-LOCATED MEASUREMENTS AT REFINERY TANK FARM



Note: SOF track and DIAL lines of sight are approximate (for illustration only)

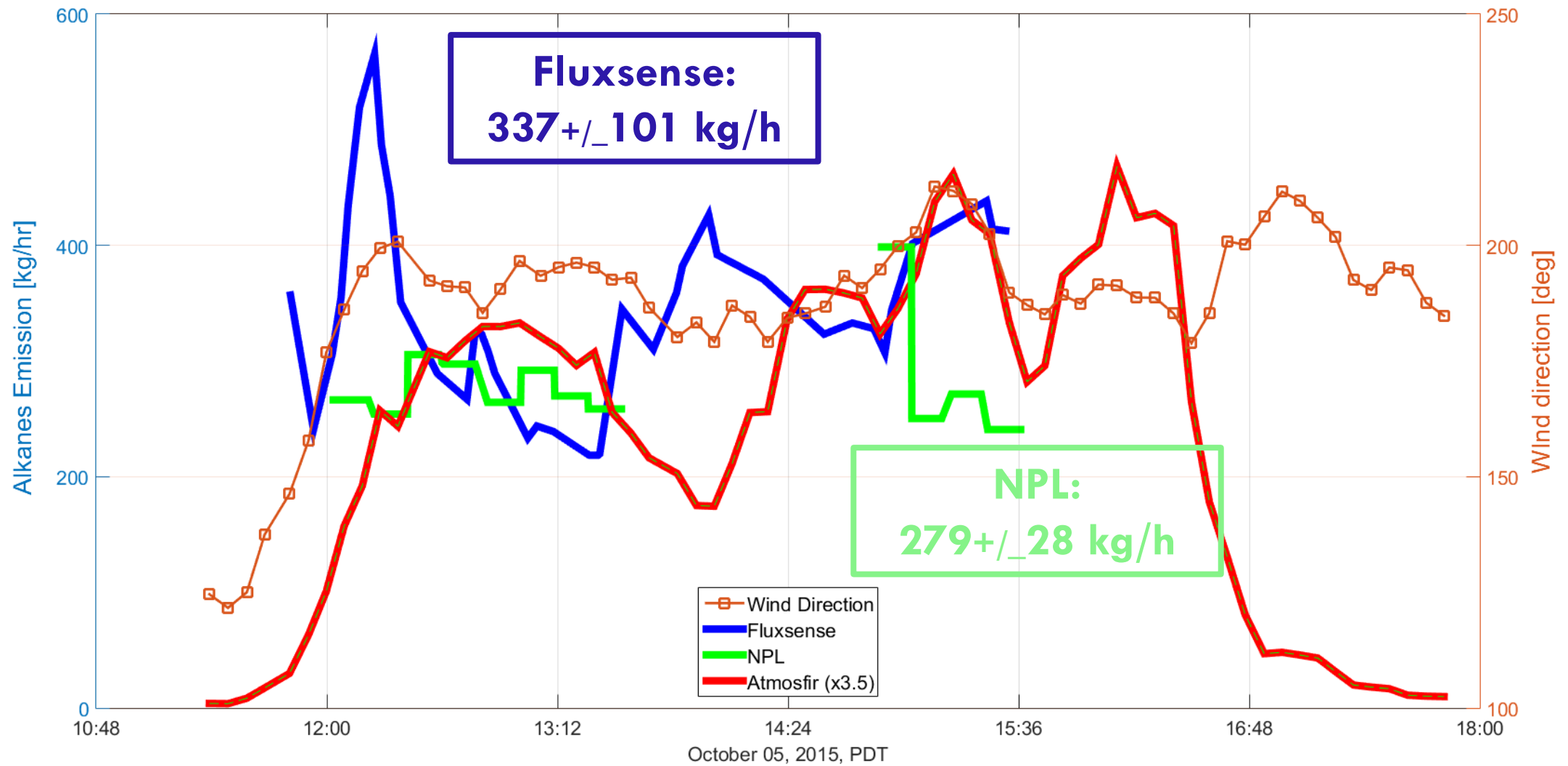


# MONITORING OF A TANK LEAK EVENT



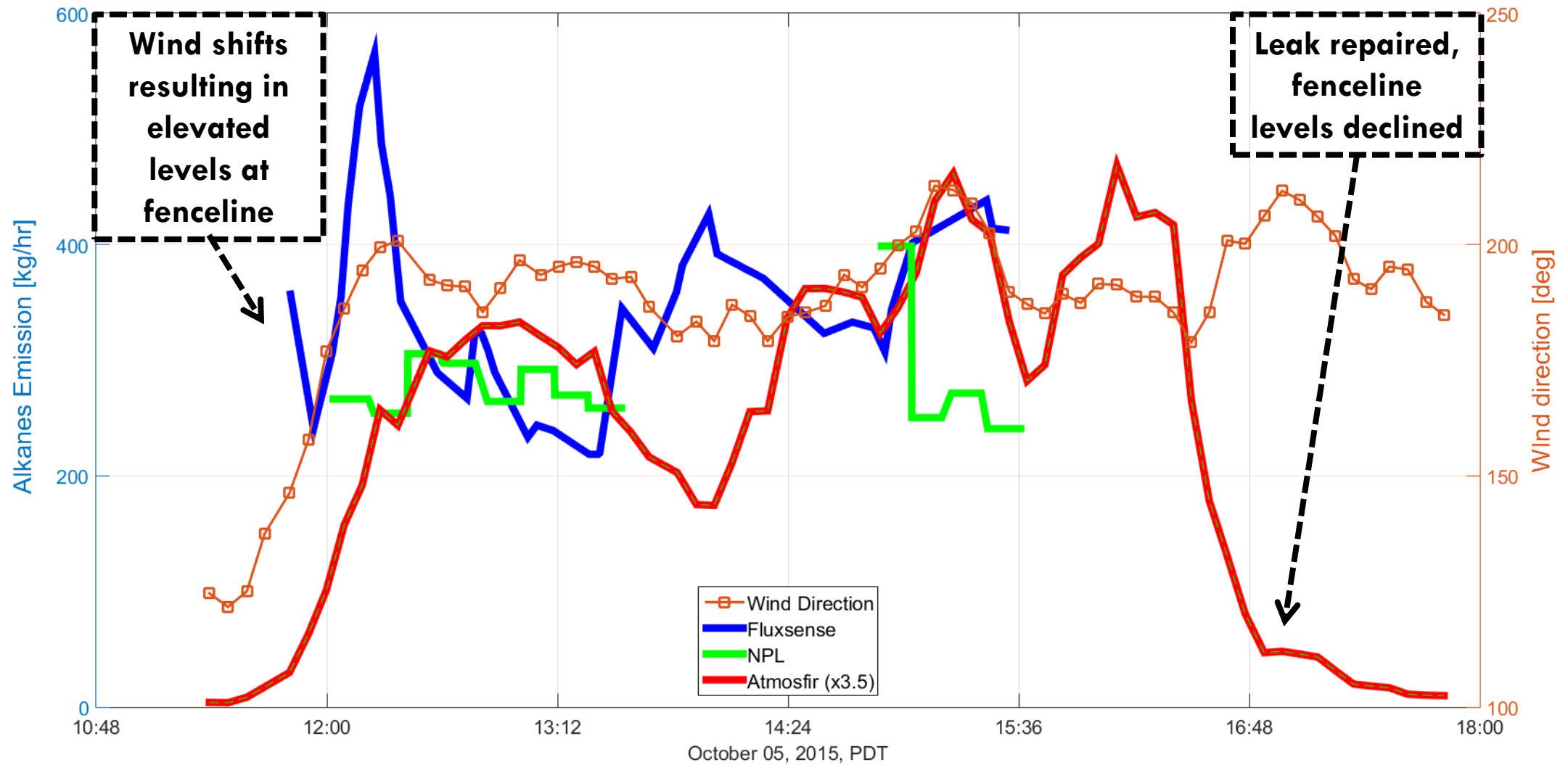
- October 5, 2015  
11:30am-4:30pm
- Emissions from a tank were observed by all three ORS technologies
- Fenceline concentrations of alkanes decreased dramatically after emissions stopped

# EMISSIONS OF ALKANES FROM A LEAKING TANK





# DETECTION OF ELEVATED ALKANES AT REFINERY FENCELINE





# PROJECT 2: QUANTIFY GASEOUS EMISSIONS FROM SMALL POINT SOURCES

## ■ FluxSense

- **SOF + Extractive FTIR + DOAS**
- Mobile measurements (daytime only)
- 5 week study of ~100 small sources:
  - Oil wells
  - Intermediate oil treatment facilities
  - Gas stations
  - Other small sources
- Methane and non-methane VOCs, BTEX



## ■ National Physical Laboratory (NPL)

- **Differential Absorption Lidar (DIAL)**
- Stationary daytime and nighttime measurements
- 1 week study at selected sources
- Methane and non-methane VOCs
- **Ideal for field validation**

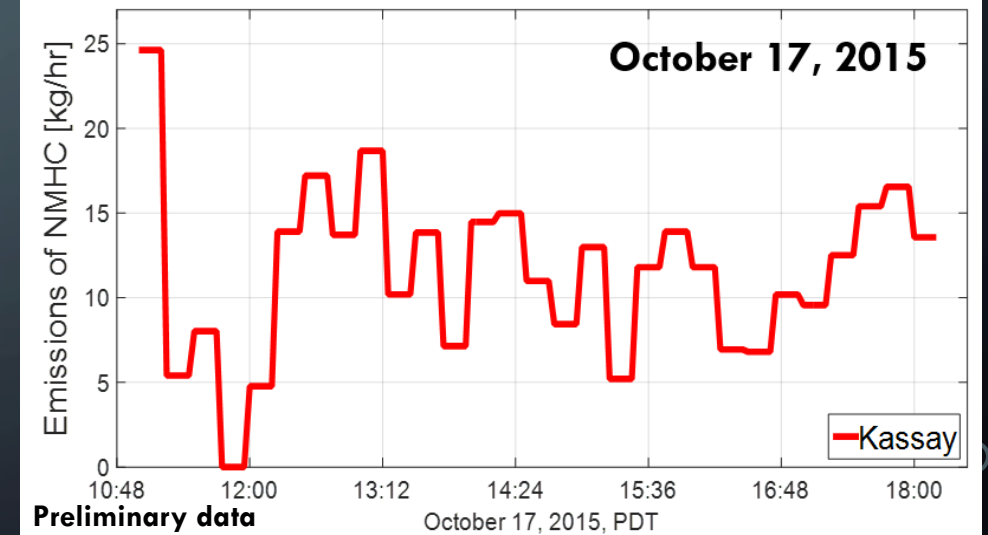
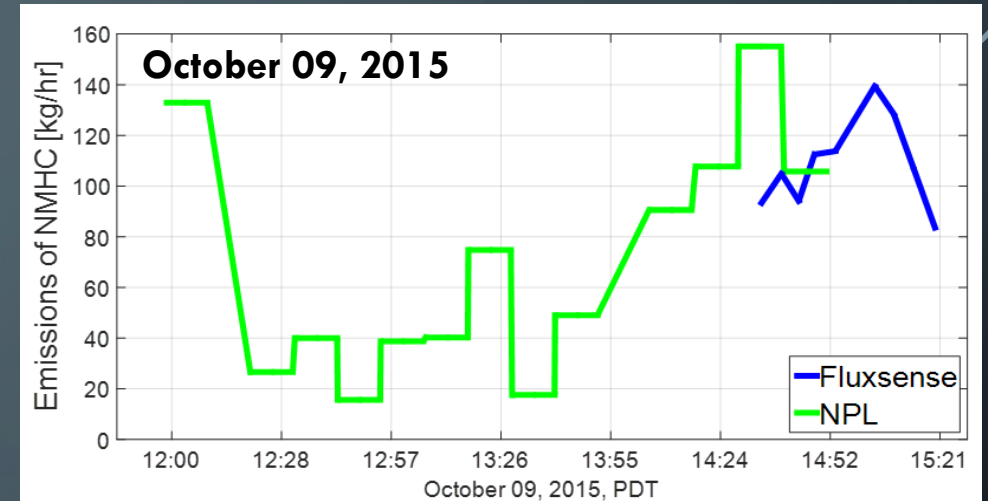
## ■ Kassay Field Services

- **Open-path FTIR + reverse plume modeling**
- Stationary daytime and nighttime measurements
- 5 week study at ~50 small sources
- Methane and non-methane VOCs, BTEX
- OP-FTIR using EPA TO-16 method

# EMISSIONS FROM A SMALL OIL TREATMENT FACILITY



- 24 mobile SOF surveys over 5 weeks
- Elevated NMHC emissions detected during all monitoring days
- Good agreement between SOF and DIAL during co-located measurements
- FTIR not able to capture the entire plume, but useful for long-term trends

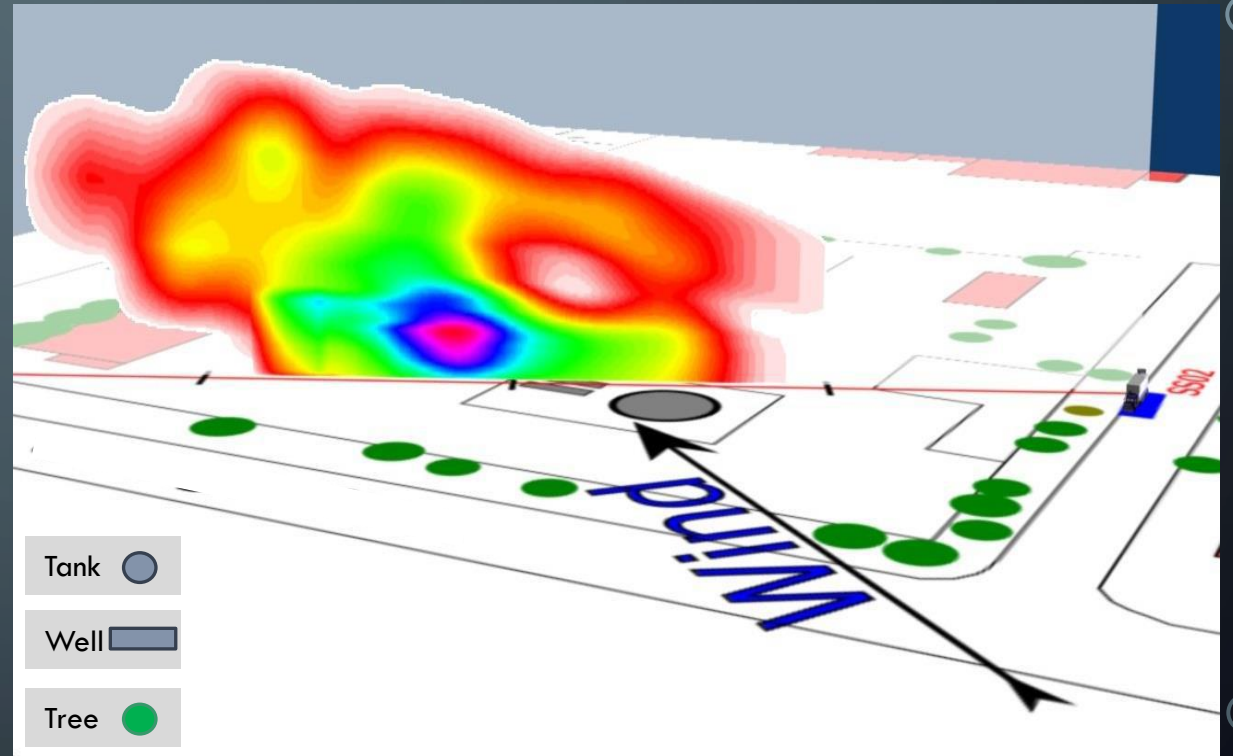




# VISUALIZATION OF EMISSIONS FROM A SMALL OIL TREATMENT FACILITY



FLIR video

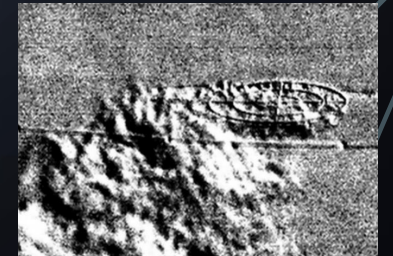
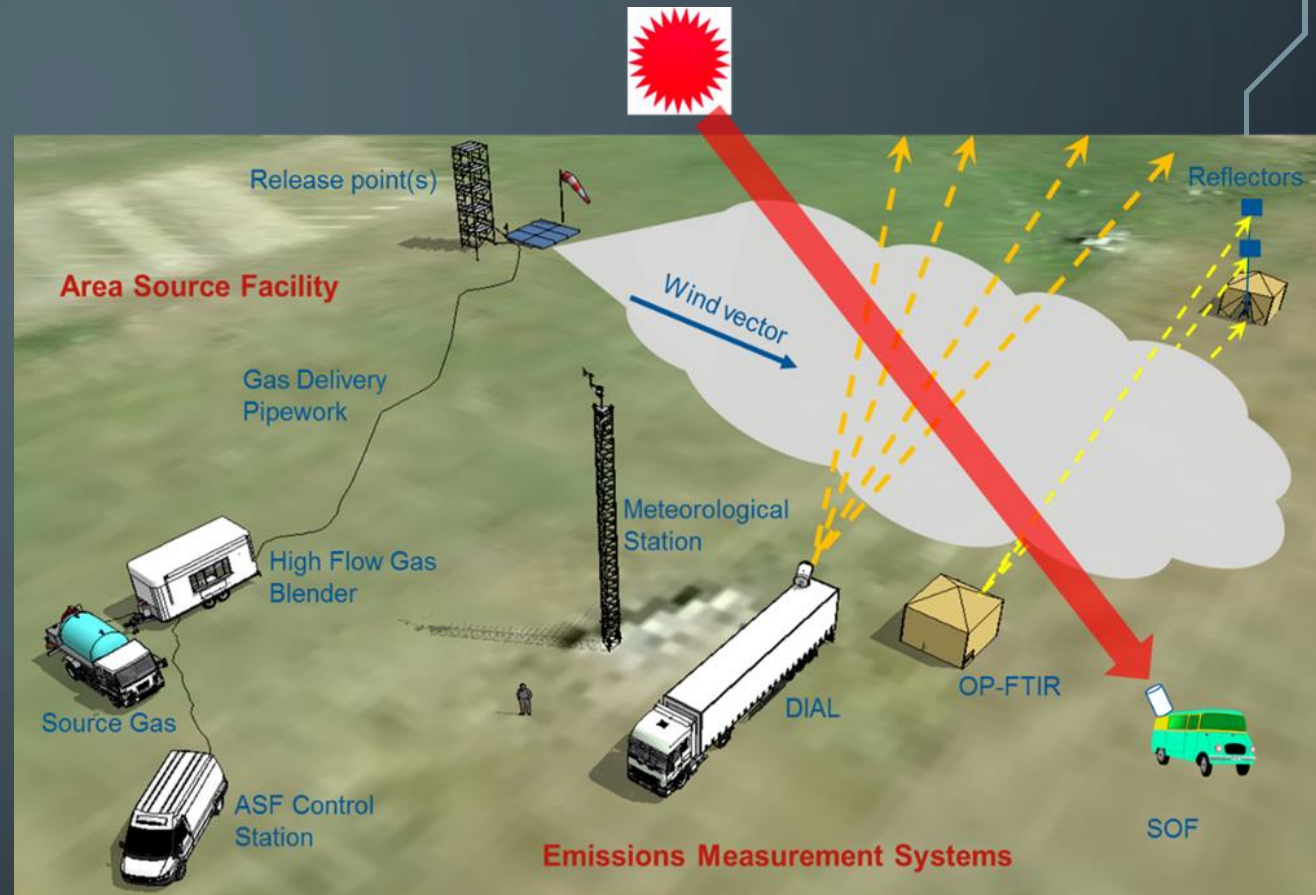


DIAL visualization of VOC emissions

Storage tank is most likely the main source of emissions from the facility

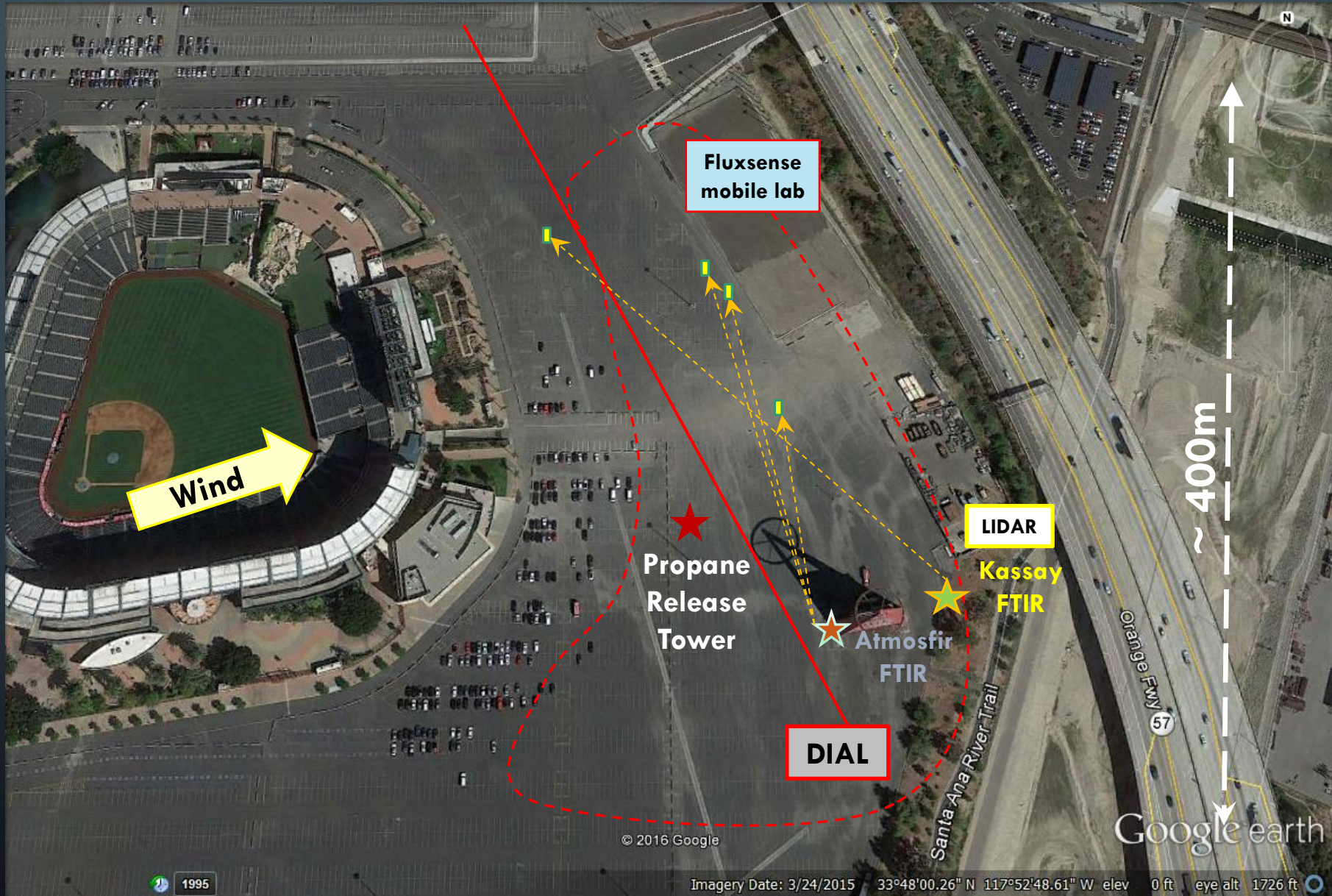
# CONTROLLED-RELEASE METHOD INTERCOMPARISON STUDY

- Conducted on October 12–13, 2015 inside the Angels' Stadium in Anaheim, CA
  - Complex urban environment
  - Near a major freeway
- NPL Area Source Facility (ASF) operated by SCAQMD staff
- Non-odorized propane released at various emission rates; each release lasted ~1 hour
- Release point heights: 3m, 6.4m, 7.9m
- Blind measurements performed by all ORS contractors
- Meteorological data collected by and shared with all vendors
  - SCAQMD operated LIDAR to provide accurate wind profile data





# EXPERIMENTAL SETUP



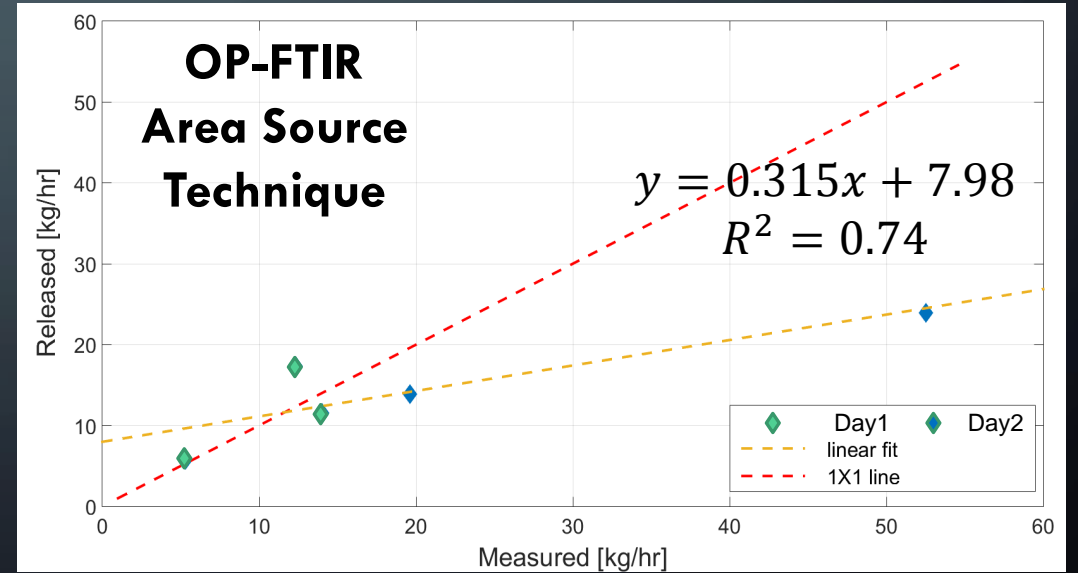
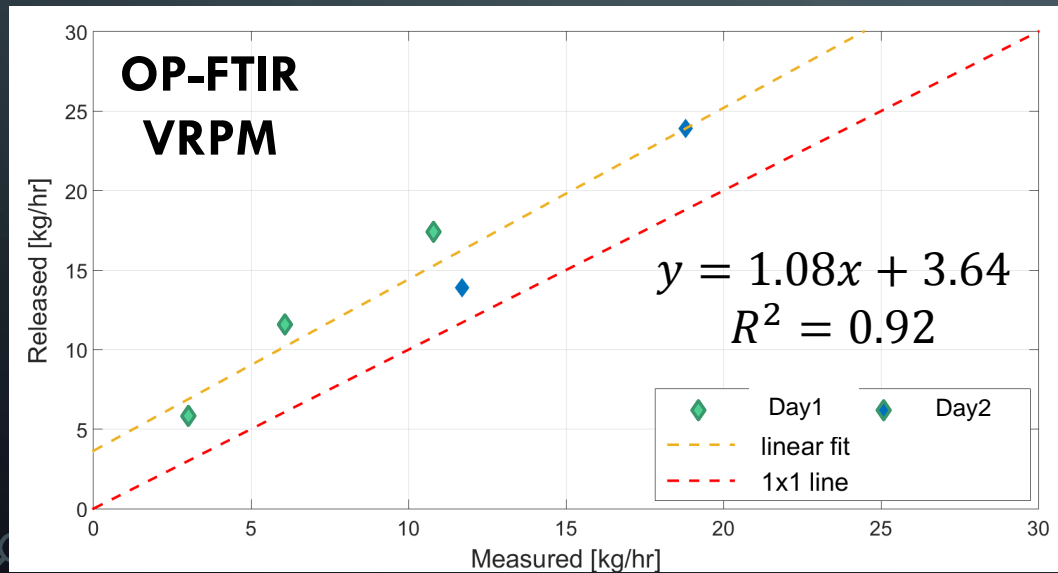
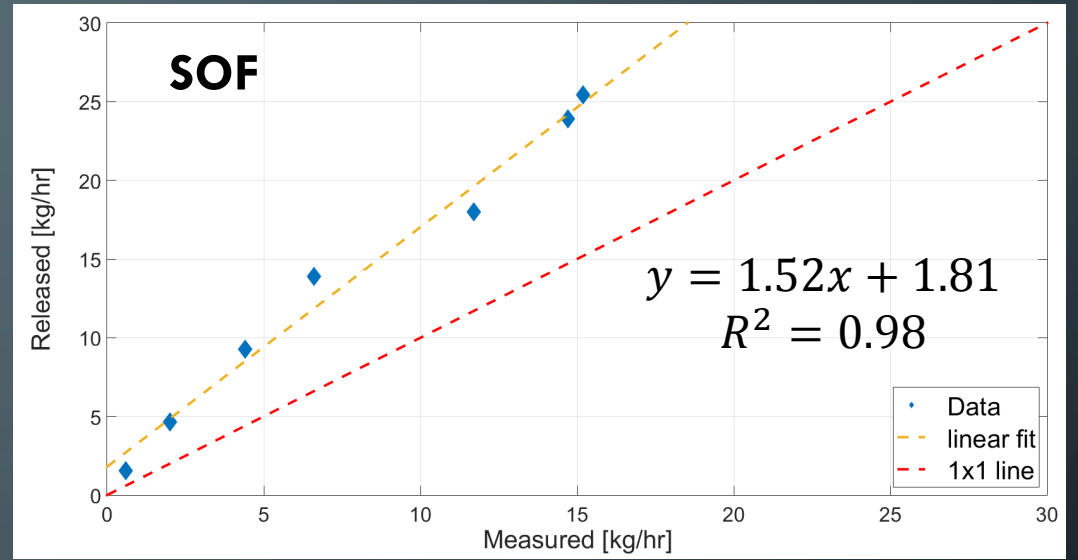
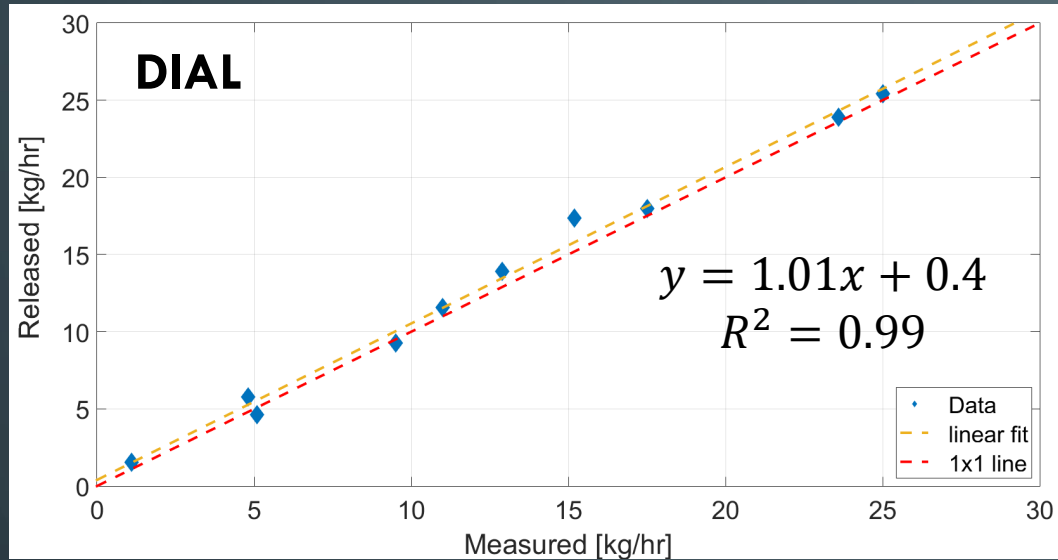
# PROPANE PLUME VISUALIZATION



- FLIR video (October 13, 2015 3:41 pm)



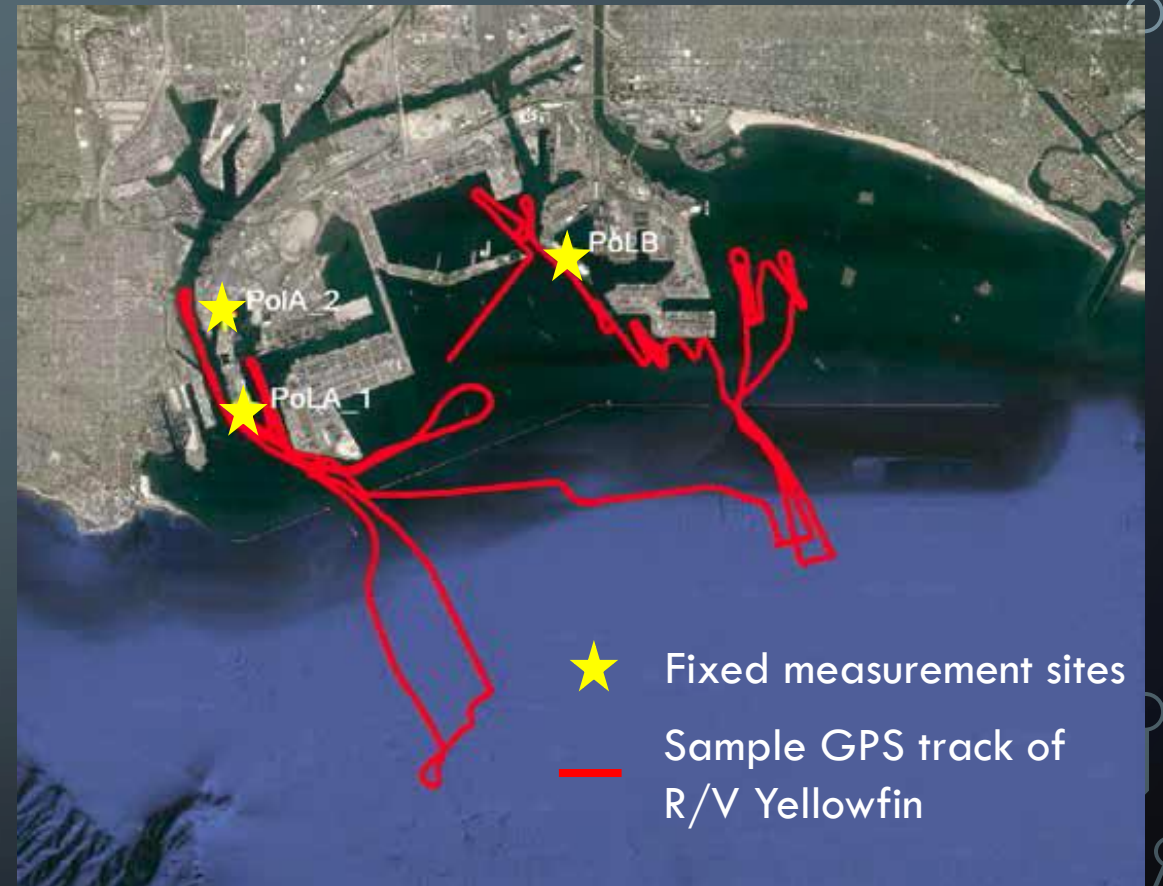
# CONTROLLED-RELEASE STUDY: RESULTS



# PROJECT 3: QUANTIFY STACK EMISSIONS FROM MARINE VESSELS

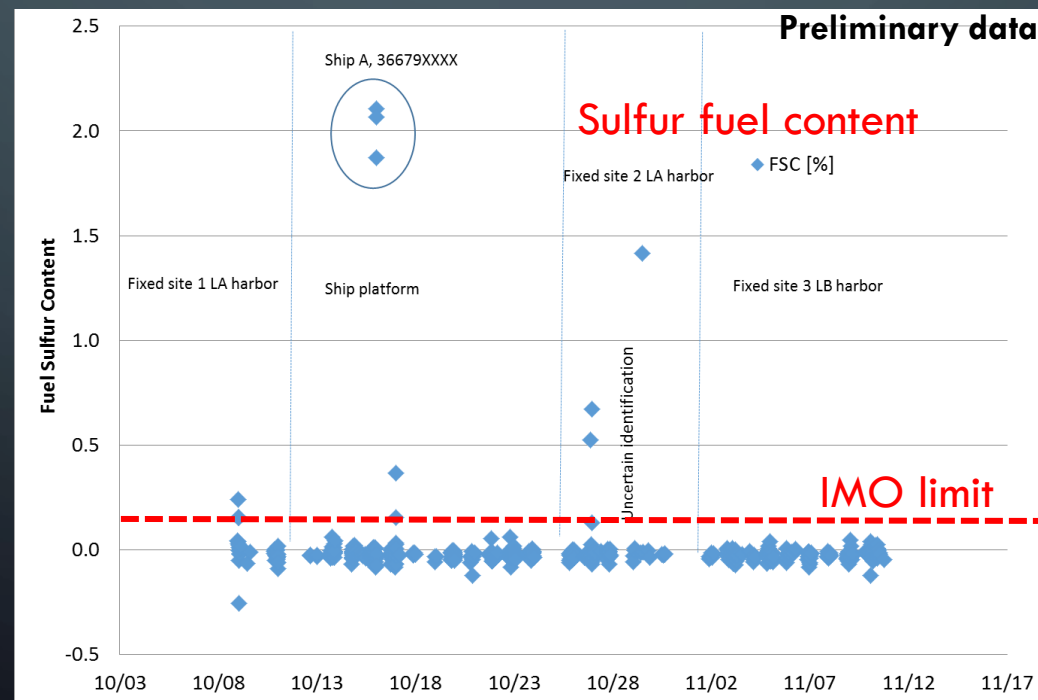
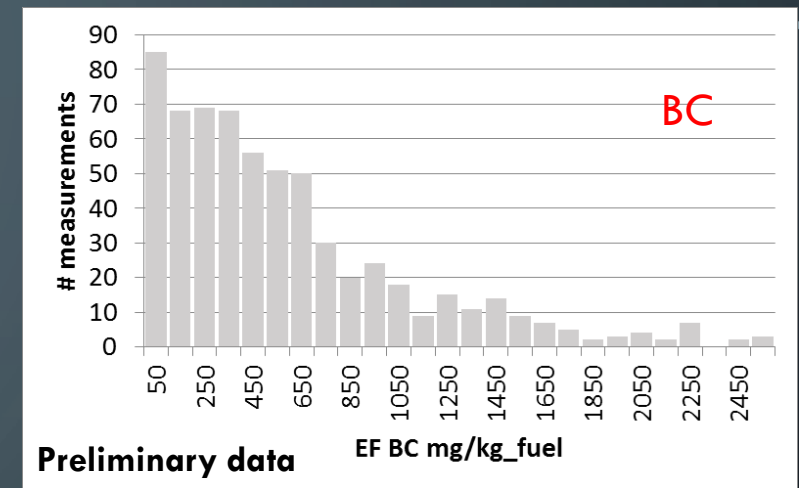
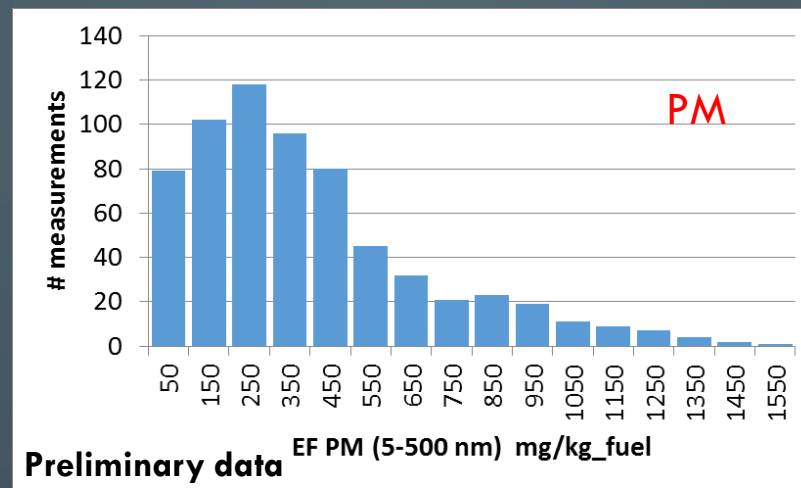
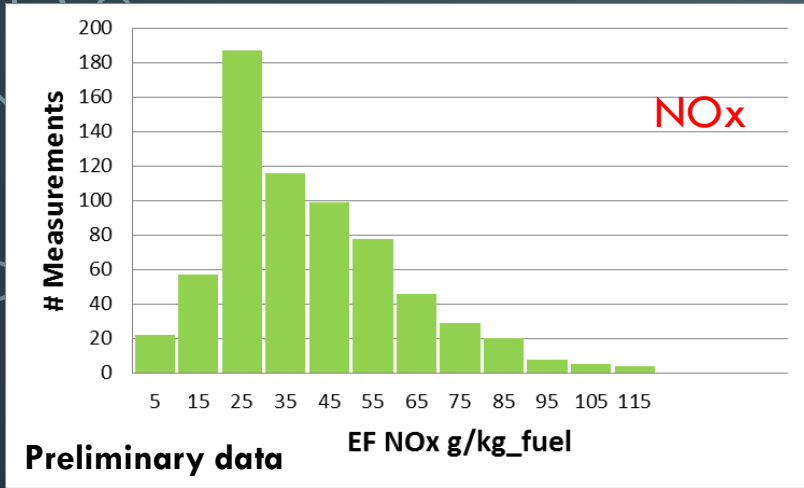
## ■ FluxSense

- **Mini-SOF, DOAS and "traditional" methods**
- Measurements of individual ships
- 4 week study at Port of Los Angeles and Port of Long Beach
- Measurements performed
  - on-shore at fixed locations within POLA and POLB
  - off-shore from R/V Yellowtail provided by Southern California Marine Institute
- "Real world" emissions (g/s) of SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub> and "actual" emission factors (g/Kg fuel burnt) of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> and particulates from individual ships
- 692 ships sampled during the study





# EMISSIONS FROM 692 SHIPS SAMPLED IN POLA AND POLB



# AIRBORNE OPTICAL REMOTE SENSING MEASUREMENTS



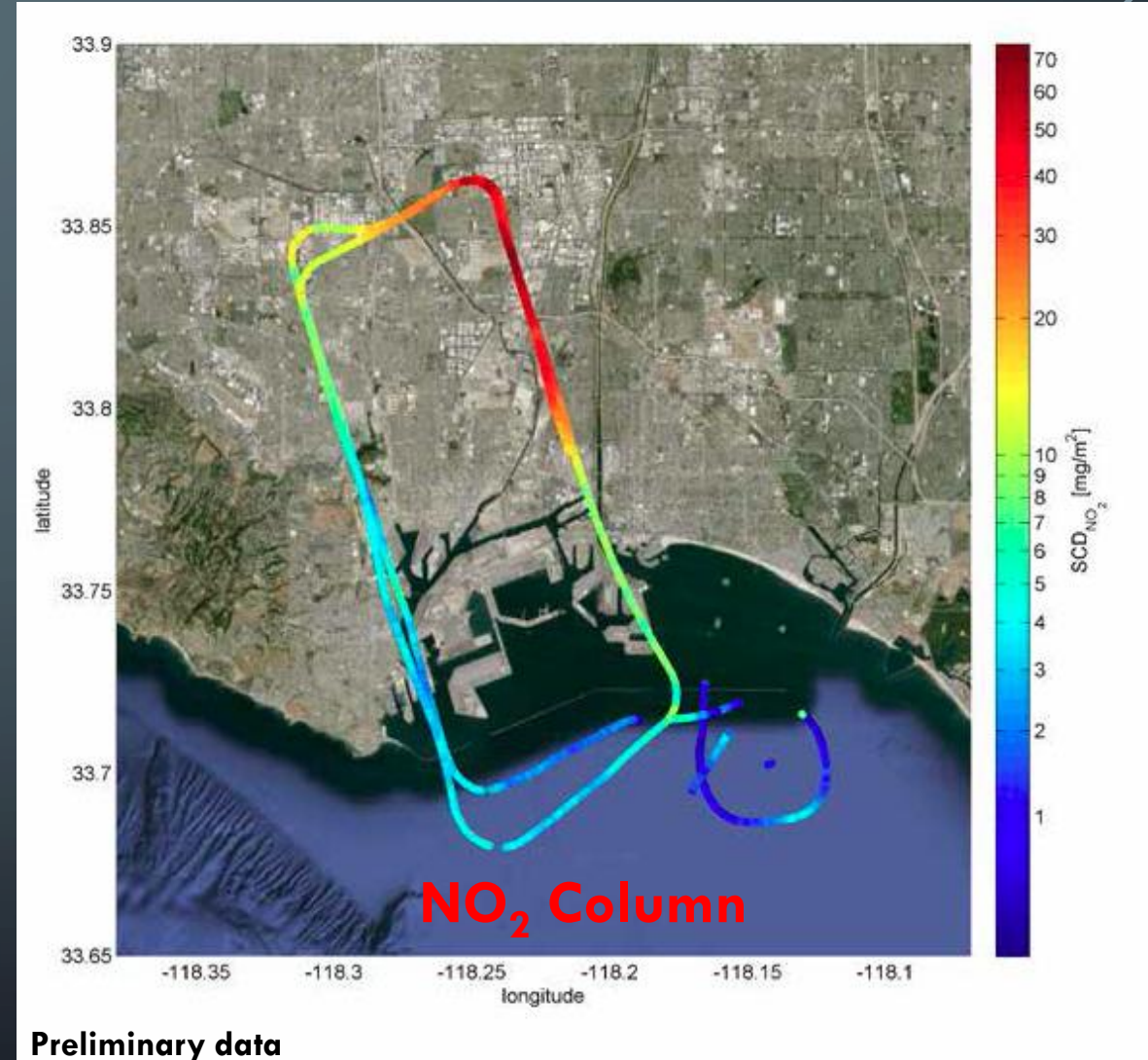
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MAX-DOAS Telescope looking out of pilot's window



MAX-DOAS Spectrometer on the back seat



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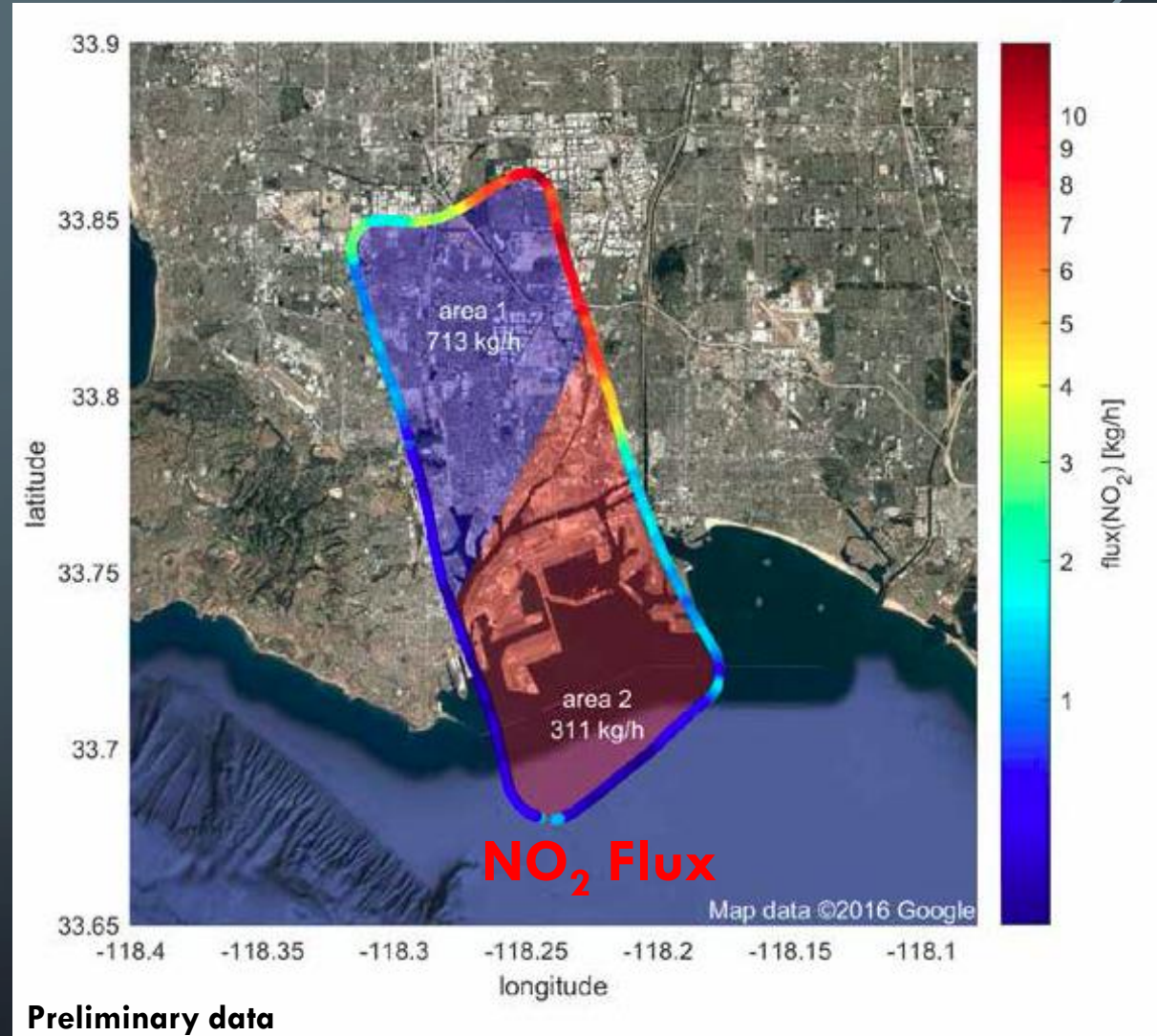
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Preliminary data

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# SUMMARY – OPTICAL REMOTE SENSING

- ORS techniques can provide:
  - Quick identification of potential leaks, offering substantial improvement of LDAR program or ISD systems
  - Detailed characterization of areas that contribute the most to measured emissions
  - Real or near-real time emission measurements
  - Improved emission inventories
- ORS methods are suitable for monitoring of emissions from large facilities as well as small sources
- Mobile ORS methods are effective way to screen large number of small sources quickly
- Good agreement between different ORS techniques during co-located measurements of “real-life” sources
- Strong correlations ( $R^2$ ) between released and measured emissions for all methods during controlled-release study
- Strengths and weaknesses of each technology:
  - SOF: mobile measurements are ideal for routine surveys inside and outside facilities
  - DIAL: very precise and accurate, but not suited for long-term monitoring
  - OP-FTIR: can provide useful information on long-term variability of emissions and record fence-line concentrations of pollutants



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# LOW-COST AIR QUALITY SENSORS

# BACKGROUND



- AQ-SPEC was established in July 2014
- Over \$500,000 investment
- Main Goals & Objectives
  - *Provide guidance & clarity for ever-evolving sensor technology*
  - *Catalyze successful evolution/use of “low-cost” sensors*
  - *Minimize confusion*
- Sensor Selection Criteria
  - *Commercially available (American, European and Asian markets)*
  - *Real- or near-real time*
  - *Criteria pollutants & air toxics*





# FIELD DEPLOYMENT

- September 2014: First sensor was deployed in the field
- October 2016: Nearly 30 sensors have been field-tested

- Rubidoux station (main)
  - Inland site
  - Fully instrumented



- I-710 station
  - Near-roadway site
  - Fully instrumented





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# AQ-SPEC


Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center

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Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center



### Background

In an effort to inform the general public about the actual performance of commercially available "low-cost" air quality sensors, the SCAQMD has established the Air Quality Sensor Performance Evaluation Center (AQ-SPEC) program. The AQ-SPEC program aims at performing a thorough characterization of currently available "low-cost" sensors under ambient (field) and controlled (laboratory) conditions.

### Main Goals & Objectives

- Evaluate the performance of commercially available "low-cost" air quality sensors in both field and laboratory settings
- Provide guidance and clarity for ever-evolving sensor technology and data interpretation
- Catalyze the successful evolution, development, and use of sensor technology

### Sensor Selection Criteria

- The sensor shall have potential for near-term use.
- The sensor shall provide real- or near-real time measurements.
- The sensor shall measure one or more of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) criteria pollutants, air toxics, pollutants of concern and non-air toxics. Examples of the targeted gases and particles are carbon monoxide (CO), ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), particulate matter (PM), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) and methane (CH<sub>4</sub>).








# FIELD TESTING RESULTS

PM Sensors						
Sensor Image	Manufacturer (Model)	Type	Pollutant(s)	Approximate Cost (USD)	Time Resolution	Sensor vs FEM/FRM Method <sup>1</sup>
	<b>AethLabs</b> (microAeth)	Optical	BC (Black Carbon)	~\$6,500	1 - 300 sec	$R^2 \sim 0.79$ to $0.94$
	<b>Air Quality Egg</b> (Version 1)	Optical	PM	~\$200	1 min	$R^2 \sim 0.0$
	<b>Air Quality Egg</b> (Version 2)	Optical	PM	~\$240	1 min	PM <sub>2.5</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.79$ to $0.85$ PM <sub>10</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.31$ to $0.40$
	<b>Alphasense</b> (OPC-N2)	Optical	PM <sub>1.0</sub> , PM <sub>2.5</sub> & PM <sub>10</sub>	~\$450	15 sec	PM <sub>1.0</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.63$ to $0.82$ PM <sub>2.5</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.38$ to $0.80$ PM <sub>10</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.41$ to $0.60$
	<b>Dylos</b> (DC1100)	Optical	PM <sub>(0.5-2.5)</sub>	~\$300	1 min	$R^2 \sim 0.65$ to $0.85$
	<b>HabitatMap</b> (AirBeam)	Optical	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	~\$200	1 min	$R^2 \sim 0.65$ to $0.70$
	<b>MetOne</b> (Neighborhood Monitor)	Optical	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	~\$1,900	15 min	$R^2 \sim 0.53$ to $0.67$
	<b>Naneos</b> (Partector)	Electrical	PM (LDSA: Lung-Deposited Surface Area)	~\$7,000	1 min	PM <sub>1.0</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.1$ PM <sub>2.5</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.2$
	<b>Perkin Elmer</b> (ELM)	Optical	PM	~\$5,200	1 min	$R^2 \sim 0.0$
	<b>PurpleAir</b>	Optical	PM <sub>1.0</sub> , PM <sub>2.5</sub> & PM <sub>10</sub>	~\$150	20 sec	PM <sub>1.0</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.93$ to $0.95$ PM <sub>2.5</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.77$ to $0.92$ PM <sub>10</sub> : $R^2 \sim 0.32$ to $0.44$
	<b>RTI</b> (MicroPEM)	Optical	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	~\$2,000	10 sec	$R^2 \sim 0.65$ to $0.90$
	<b>Shinyei</b> (PM Evaluation Kit)	Optical	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	~\$1,000	1 min	$R^2 \sim 0.80$ to $0.90$
	<b>Speck</b>	Optical	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	~\$150	1 min	$R^2 \sim 0.32$
	<b>TSI</b> (AirAssure)	Optical	PM <sub>2.5</sub>	~\$1,500	5 min	$R^2 \sim 0.82$

- Overall, PM sensors showed:
  - *Minimal down time*
  - *Moderate intra-model variability*
  - *Good correlation ( $R^2$ ) with “EPA approved” instruments*
- However...
  - *Sensor “calibration” is needed in most cases*
  - *Very small particles are not detected*
  - *Bias in algorithms used calculate particle mass*

# FIELD TESTING RESULTS

## Gaseous Sensors

Sensor Image	Manufacturer (Model)	Type	Pollutant(s)	Approximate Cost (USD)	Time Resolution	Sensor vs FEM/FRM Method <sup>1</sup>
	<b>2B Technologies</b> (PO <sub>3</sub> M)	UV absorption (FEM Method)	O <sub>3</sub>	~\$4,500	10 sec	R <sup>2</sup> ~ 1.00
	<b>Aeroqual</b> (S-500)	Metal Oxide	O <sub>3</sub>	~\$500	1 min	R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.85
	<b>Air Quality Egg</b> (Version 1)	Metal Oxide	CO, NO <sub>2</sub> & O <sub>3</sub>	~\$200	1 min	CO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.40 O <sub>3</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.85
	<b>Air Quality Egg</b> (Version 2)	Electrochem	CO & NO <sub>2</sub>	~\$240	1 min	CO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0
	<b>Air Quality Egg</b> (Version 2)	Electrochem	O <sub>3</sub> & SO <sub>2</sub>	~\$240	1 min	O <sub>3</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 to 0.20 SO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> n/a
	<b>AQMesh</b> (v.3.0)	Electrochem	CO, NO, NO <sub>2</sub> , SO <sub>2</sub> & O <sub>3</sub>	~\$10,000	1 - 15 min	CO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.75 to 0.90 NO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.75 to 0.90 NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 SO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 O <sub>3</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.25 to 0.55
	<b>AQMesh</b> (v.4.0)	Electrochem	CO, NO, NO <sub>2</sub> & O <sub>3</sub>	~\$10,000	1 - 15 min	CO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.42 to 0.80 NO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 to 0.44 NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 to 0.46 O <sub>3</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.46 to 0.83
	<b>Perkin Elmer</b> (ELM)	Metal Oxide	NO, NO <sub>2</sub> & O <sub>3</sub>	~\$5,200	1 min	NO: R <sup>2</sup> n/a NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 O <sub>3</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.89 to 0.96
	<b>Smart Citizen Kit</b>	Metal Oxide	CO, NO <sub>2</sub>	~\$200	1 min	CO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.50 to 0.85 NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0
	<b>Spec Sensors</b>	Electrochem	CO, NO <sub>2</sub> & O <sub>3</sub>	~\$500	1 min	CO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.84 to 0.90 NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 to 0.16 O <sub>3</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.0 to 0.24
	<b>UNITEC</b> (SENS-IT)	Metal Oxide	CO, NO <sub>2</sub> & O <sub>3</sub>	~\$2,200	1 min	CO: R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.33 to 0.43 NO <sub>2</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.60 to 0.65 O <sub>3</sub> : R <sup>2</sup> ~ 0.72 to 0.83

- Overall, gaseous sensors showed:
  - Acceptable data recovery
  - Wide intra-model variability
  - CO; NO; O<sub>3</sub> (when measured individually): good correlation with “EPA approved” instruments
  - O<sub>3</sub> + NO<sub>2</sub>: low correlation with “EPA approved” methods (potential O<sub>3</sub>/NO<sub>2</sub> and RH interferences)
  - SO<sub>2</sub>; H<sub>2</sub>S: difficult to measure with available sensors
  - VOCs: qualitative readings (not quantitative)

More results available on AQ-SPEC website





# LABORATORY CHAMBER SYSTEM



## Main components:

- Professional-grade environmental test chamber
- Dry, gas- and particle-free air generation system
- Small PM generator & Large PM dispenser
- U.S. EPA approved FRM/FEM and BAT instruments
- Custom computer software (remote control, sequences, 24/7 operation)

# LABORATORY TESTING

## Aerosol Test



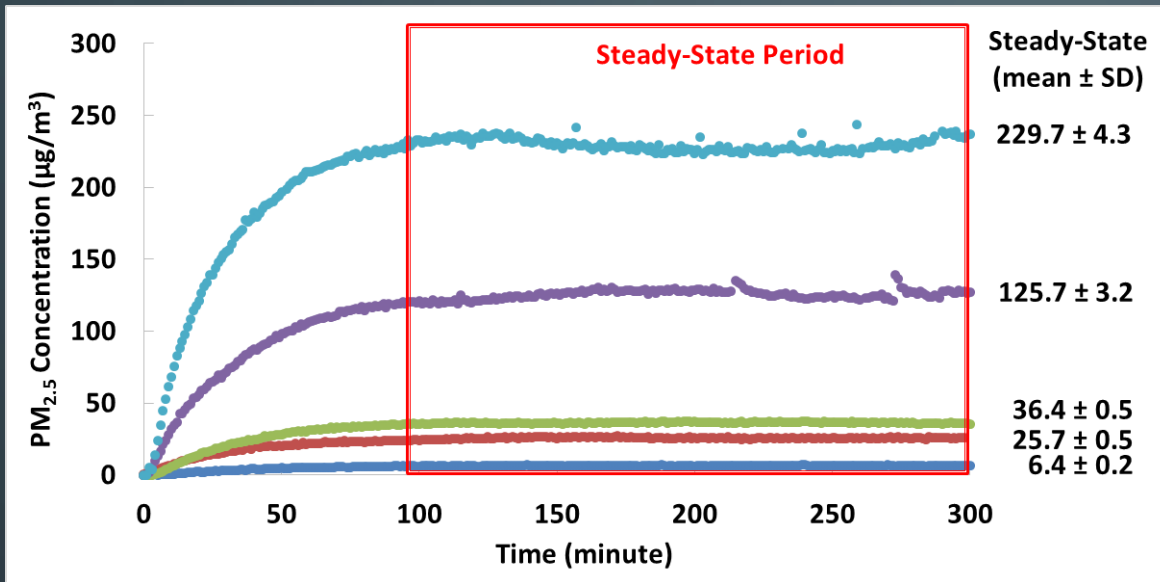
## Gas Test



*T and RH controlled: T (0-50 °C); RH (5-95%)*

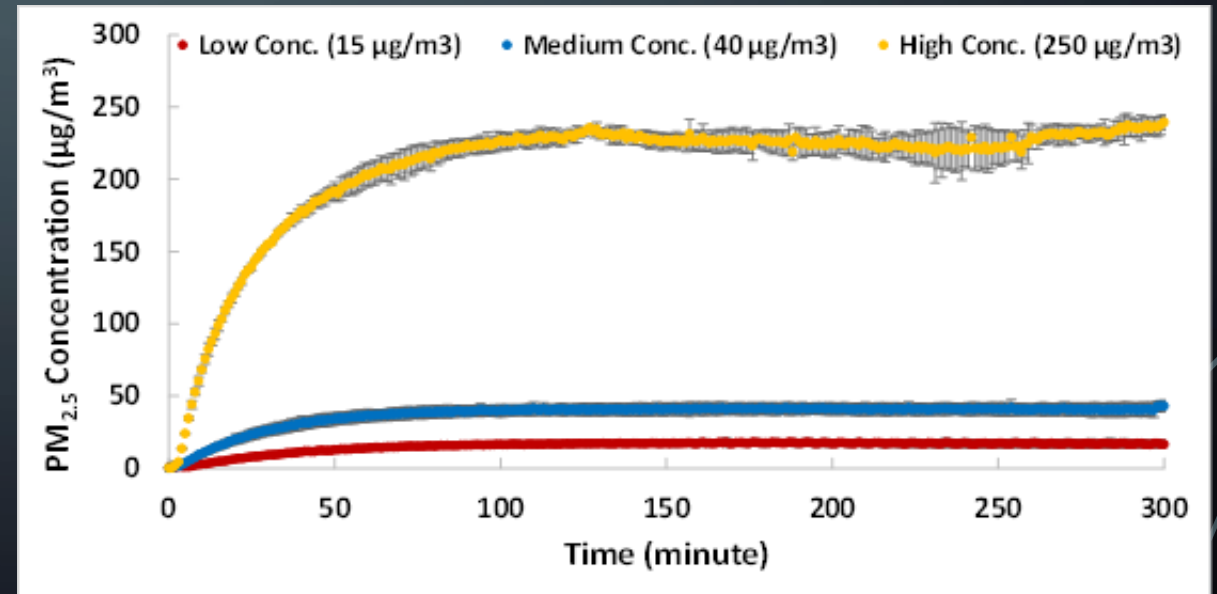


# PM/GAS SENSOR TESTING



**Stability**

**Reproducibility**



# SENSOR NETWORK: PILOT STUDY #1



- Monitor fugitive emissions from a Waste Disposal facility in Southern California
- 9 sensor nodes deployed at facility fenceline
- Wireless network / remote server
- Real-time  $PM_{10}$ ,  $PM_{2.5}$  and  $PM_{10}$  monitoring

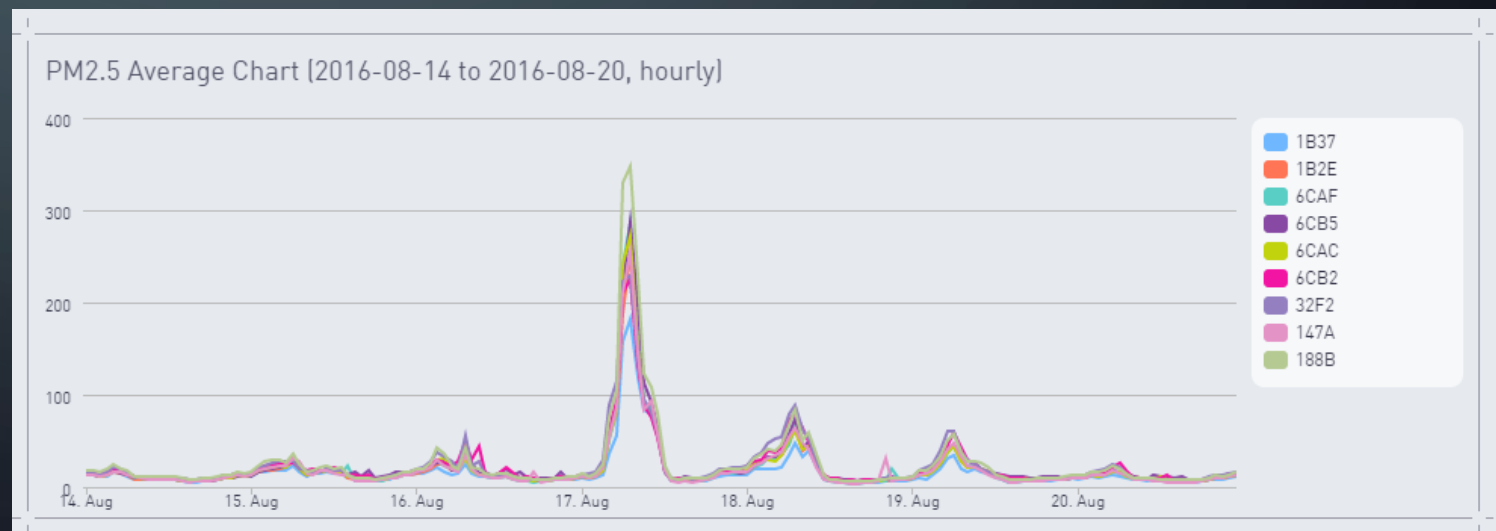




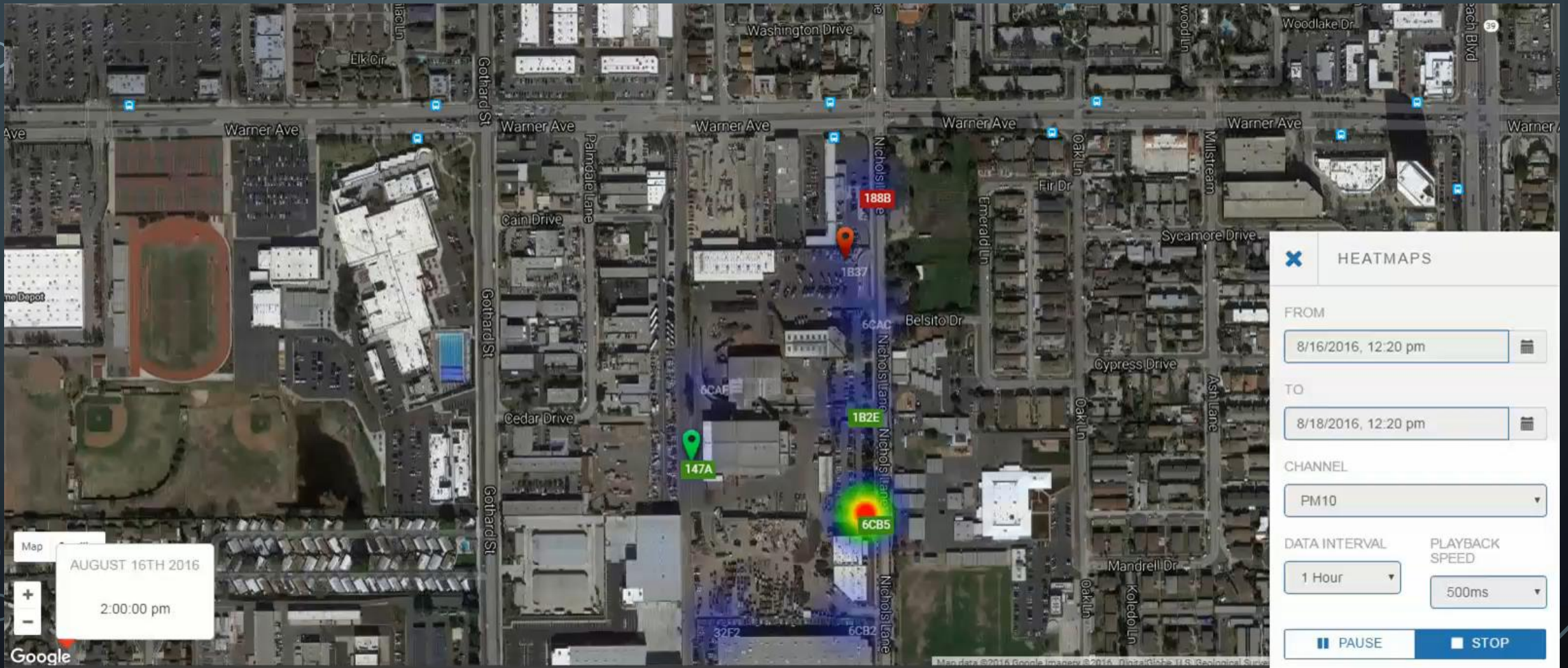
# SENSOR NETWORK: PILOT STUDY #1



- Dedicated website
  - [www.aqmd.meshify.com](http://www.aqmd.meshify.com)
  - Real-time data logging, display, and mapping
  - Data analytics
  - Email and/or text alerts
- Project benefits
  - Correlate PM measurements w/ on-site activities
  - Measure PM levels before and after facility upgrades

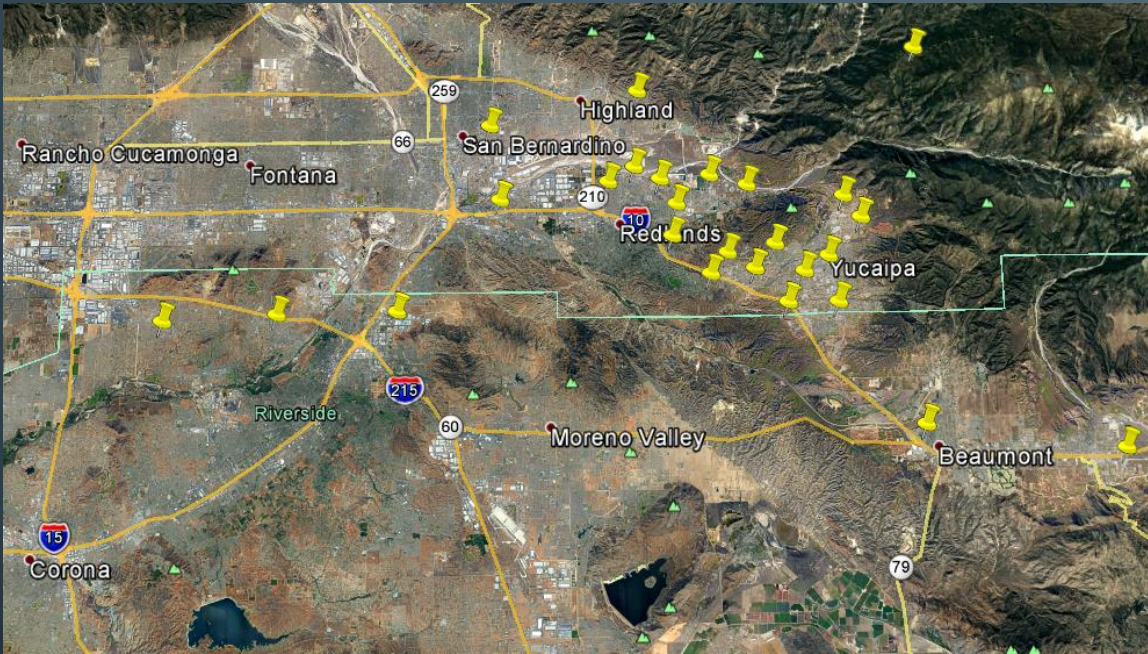


# SENSOR NETWORK: PILOT STUDY #1





# SENSOR NETWORK: PILOT STUDY #2



- 25 “low-cost” PM sensors deployed in the Redlands, CA area
- Real-time  $PM_{10}$ ,  $PM_{2.5}$  and  $PM_{10}$  monitoring
- Wireless network / remote server
  - *Microsoft + Element Blue/Sensor Insight*
- Project goals
  - *Test sensor durability*
  - *Show ability to scale up in near future*



Purple Air Sensors (\$180 / unit)

# UPCOMING PROJECT: EPA SCIENCE TO ACHIEVE RESULTS (STAR) GRANT

- Provide California communities with the knowledge necessary to select, use and maintain low-cost sensors and to correctly interpret the collected data

- Four specific aims:

- #1: *Develop educational material for communities*
- #2: *Evaluate / identify candidate sensors for deployment*
- #3: *Deploy selected sensors in California communities*
- #4: *Communicate the lessons learned to the public*

- Three year study in collaboration with:

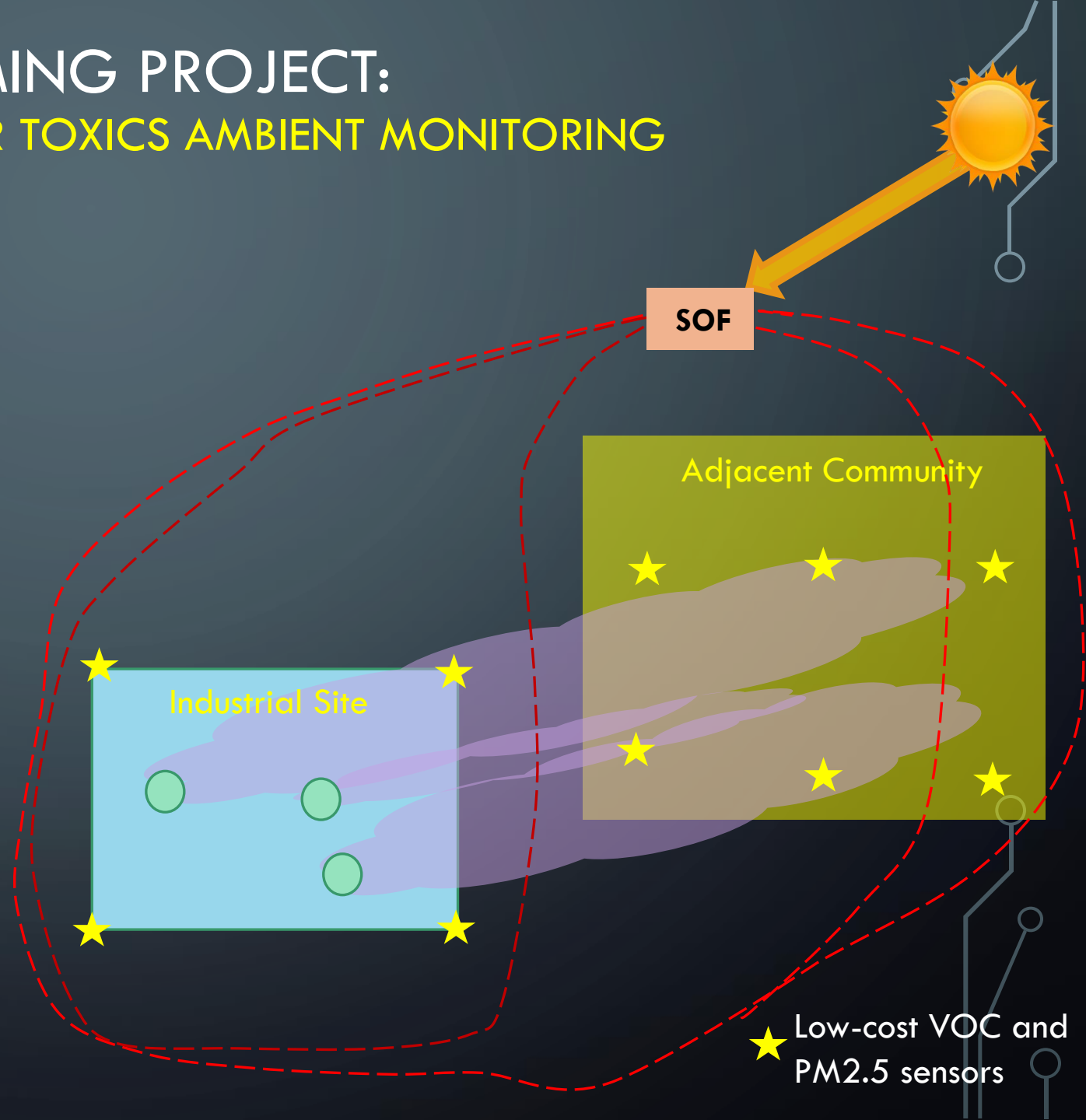
- University of California Los Angeles (UCLA; Co-PI)
- Sonoma Technology Inc. (STI; Co-PI)





# UPCOMING PROJECT: COMMUNITY-SCALE AIR TOXICS AMBIENT MONITORING

- Comprehensive 3-year study aiming to:
  1. use of ORS methods to monitor HAP emissions from refineries and to estimate their annual VOC emissions
  2. use of ORS methods and “low-cost” sensors for assessing the impact of industrial HAP emissions on surrounding communities.
- **Mobile ORS** – detailed understanding of emissions and concentrations mapping (quarterly surveys)
- **“Low-cost” sensors network** – long-term monitoring of VOC and PM<sub>2.5</sub> around fenceline and inside the community



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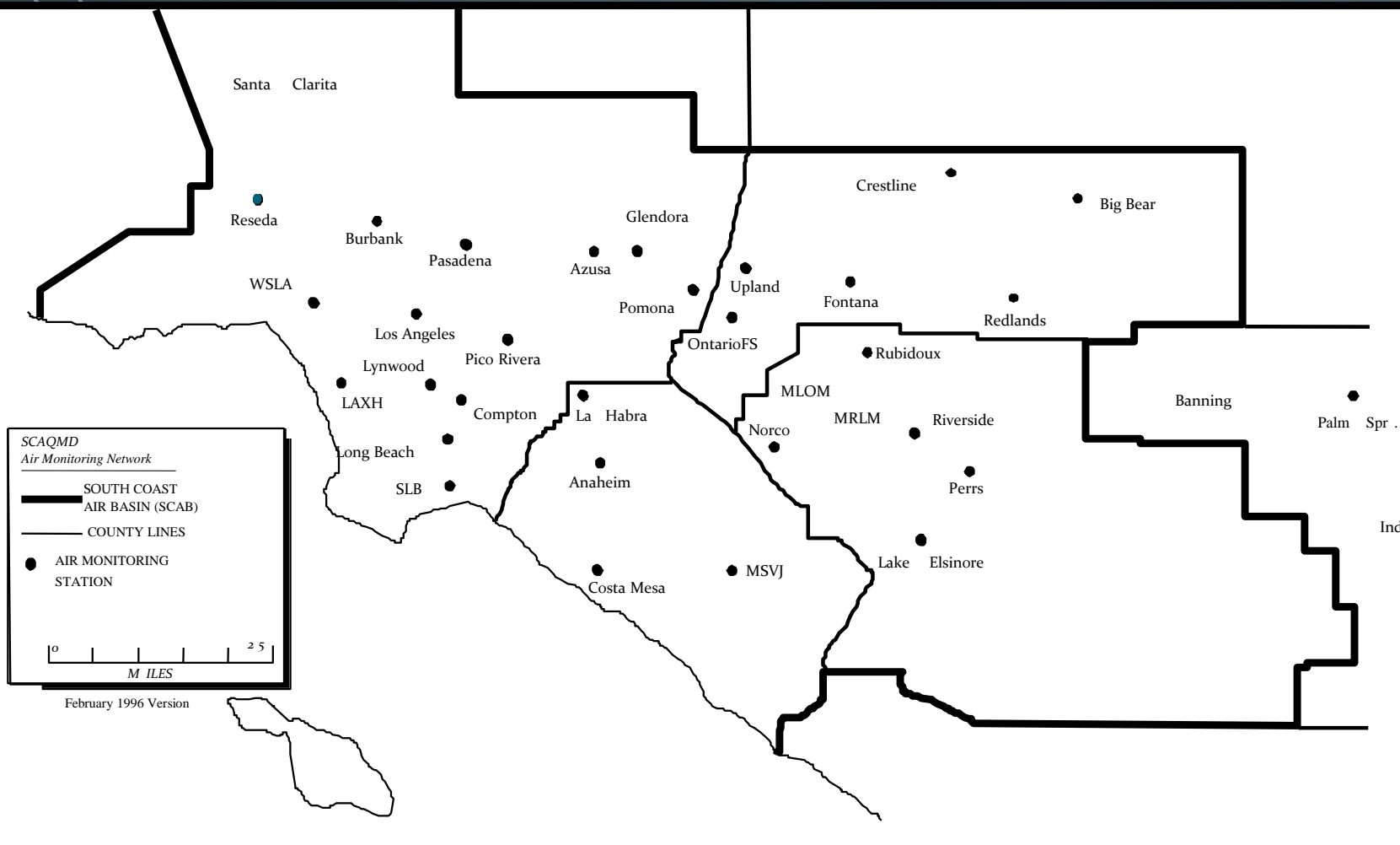
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# EXTRA SLIDES

# SCAQMD AIR MONITORING NETWORK

- 38 permanent air monitoring stations
- 4 single-pollutant source impact Pb air monitoring sites
- Temporary sites for special monitoring purposes (e.g. incident response)



Ozone

Nitrogen Dioxides

PM10, PM2.5

Carbon Monoxide

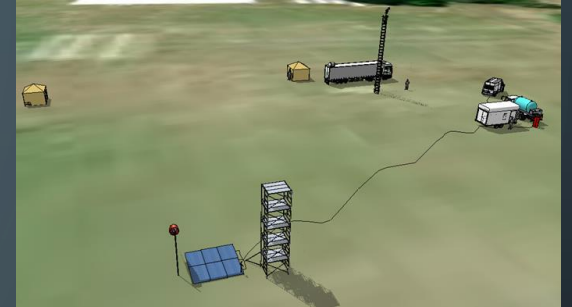
Sulfur Dioxide

Particulate Lead



# AREA SOURCE EMISSIONS FACILITY (ASF)

- A high flow gas blending system was constructed that allows gas species to be released at controlled traceable rates comparable to small-medium industrial emissions: (1.1 –55 kg/h for C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>; 0.7 –36 kg/h for CH<sub>4</sub>; and 2 –99 kg/h for CO<sub>2</sub>).
- The system is configurable—four release nodes to replicate spatial and temporal characteristics of different emission scenarios.
- The system is housed within a trailer for easy transport.
- Gas dispersion from nodes has been validated using several techniques including DIAL and Optical Gas Imaging (OGI) technology.
- The system has been successfully utilized in a number of campaigns to date, including replicating emission sources from shale gas processing equipment.
- Work is continuing to develop
  - larger diffusive emission nodes
  - nodes to simulate component emissions.

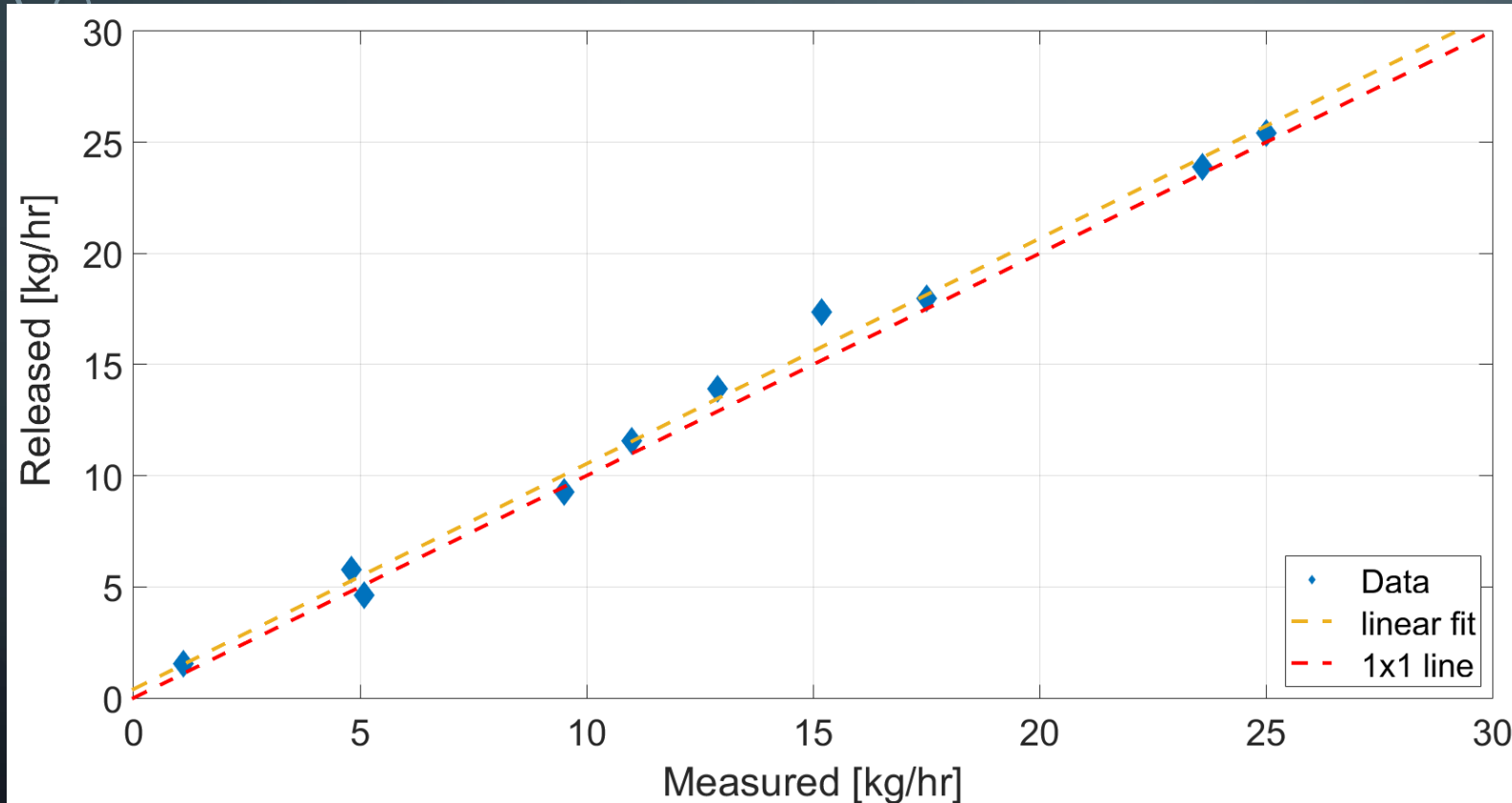


# CONTROLLED-RELEASE STUDY: DATA OVERVIEW

Date	Alt. (m)	Release rate [kg/hr]	Fluxsense	NPL	Atmosfir	Kassay	Weather Conditions
10/12/15	3	5.8	No data due to unfavorable weather	4.8	3	5.3	Cloudy, variable winds (1.5 - 3.5 m/s)
10/12/15	3	11.6	Same as above	11	6.1	14	
10/12/15	3	17.4	Same as above	15.2	10.8	12.3	
10/13/15	3	13.9	6.6	12.9	11.7	19.6	
10/13/15	6.4	4.6	2.0	5.1	No data - VRPM not applicable	No data - method not applicable	Clear sky, steady wind (2.5 - 7 m/s)
10/13/15	6.4	18.0	11.7	17.5	Same as above	Same as above	
10/13/15	6.4	1.6	0.6	1.1	Same as above	Same as above	
10/13/15	6.4	9.3	4.4	9.5	Same as above	Same as above	
10/13/15	7.9	25.4	15.2	25	Same as above	Same as above	
10/13/15	3	23.9	14.7	23.6	18.8	52.5	

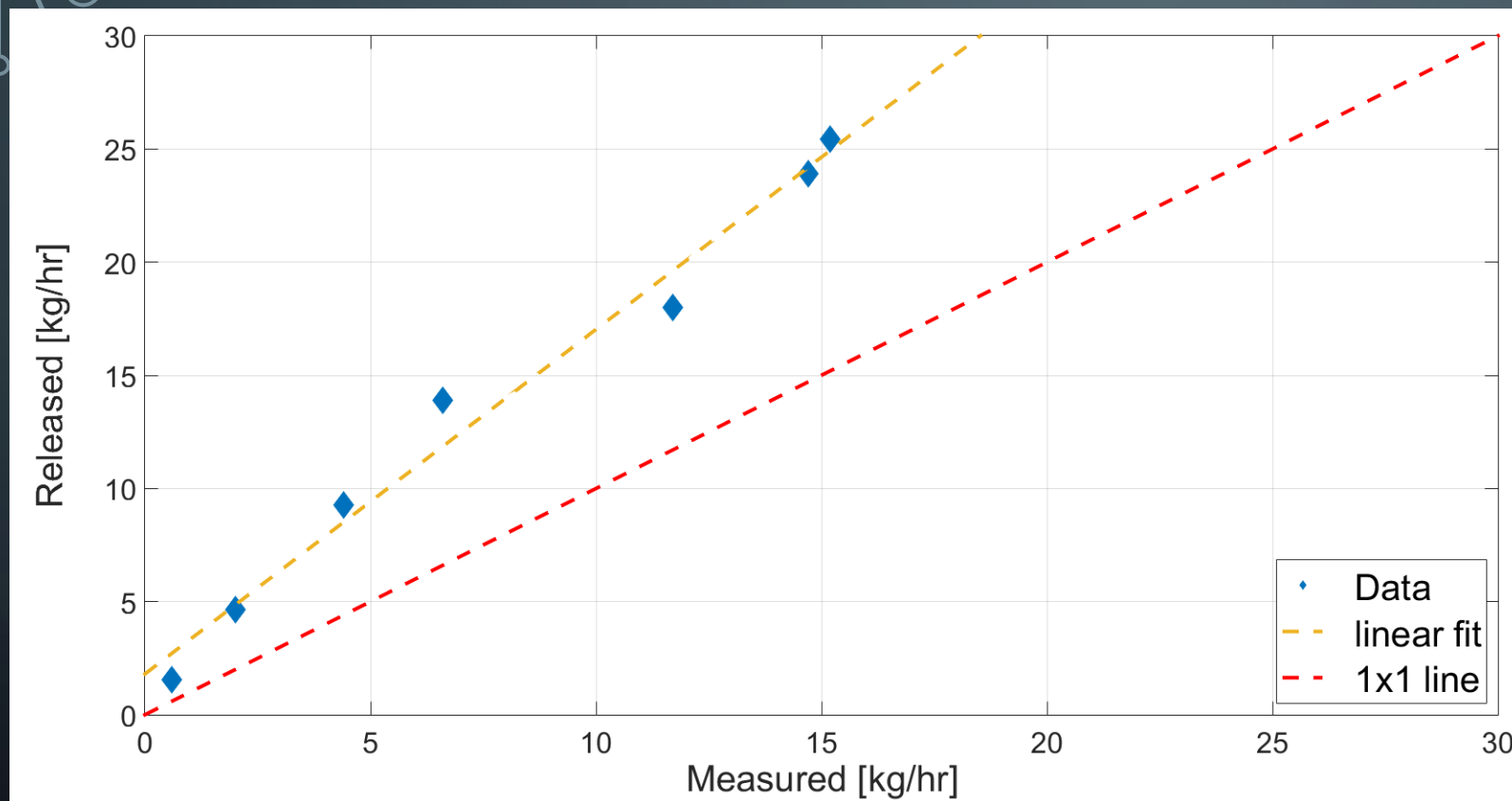


# CONTROLLED-RELEASE STUDY: RESULTS OF DIAL MEASUREMENTS



- DIAL method accurately quantified and visualized propane emission plume
- DIAL measurements not affected by meteorological conditions
- $y = 1.01x + 0.4$   
 $R^2 = 0.99$

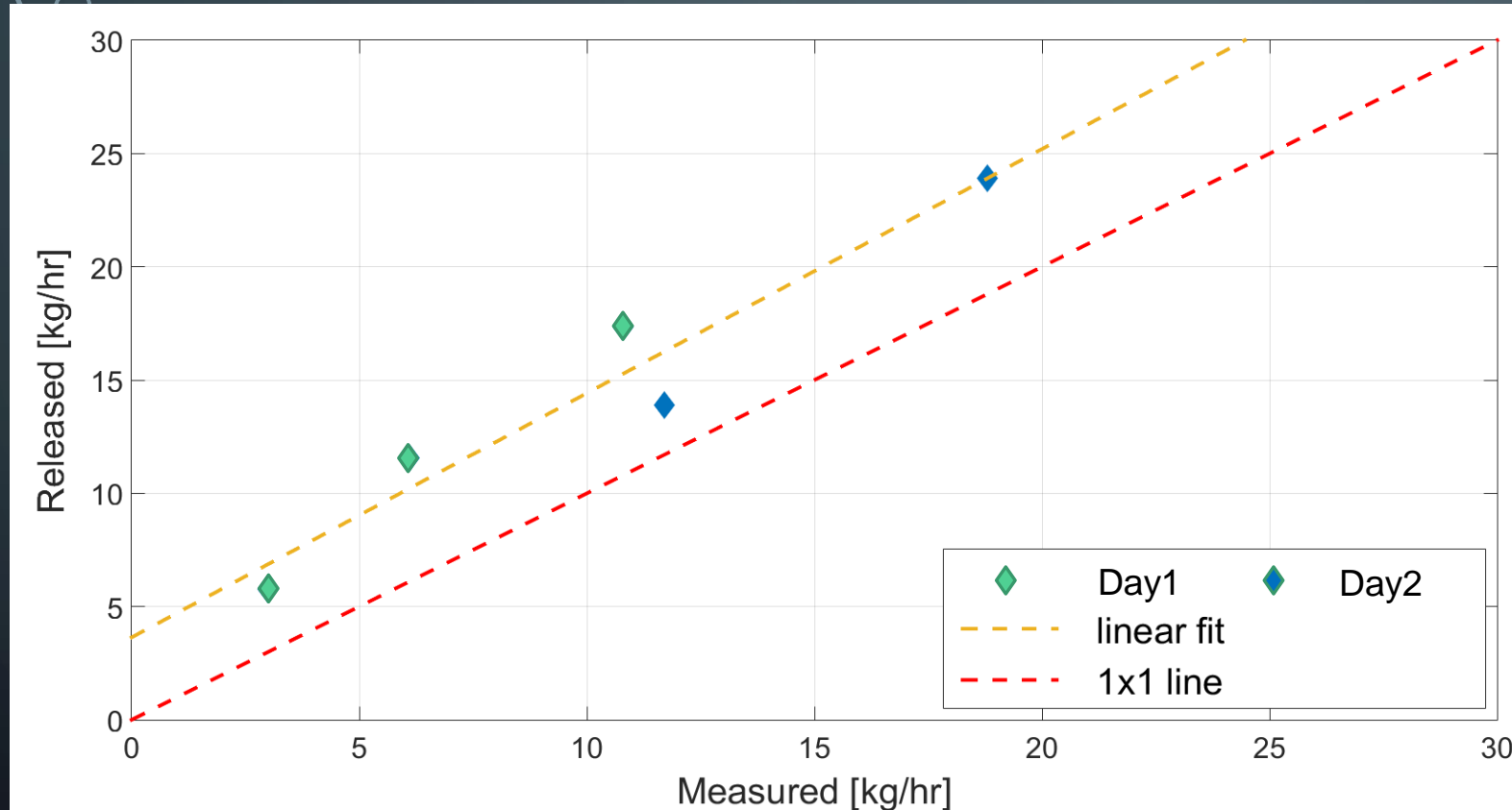
# CONTROLLED-RELEASE STUDY: RESULTS OF SOF MEASUREMENTS



- Excellent linearity and correlation coefficient  
$$y = 1.52x + 1.81$$
$$R^2 = 0.98$$
- SOF method consistently underestimated emissions by ~40%
- Close proximity to release source caused underestimation

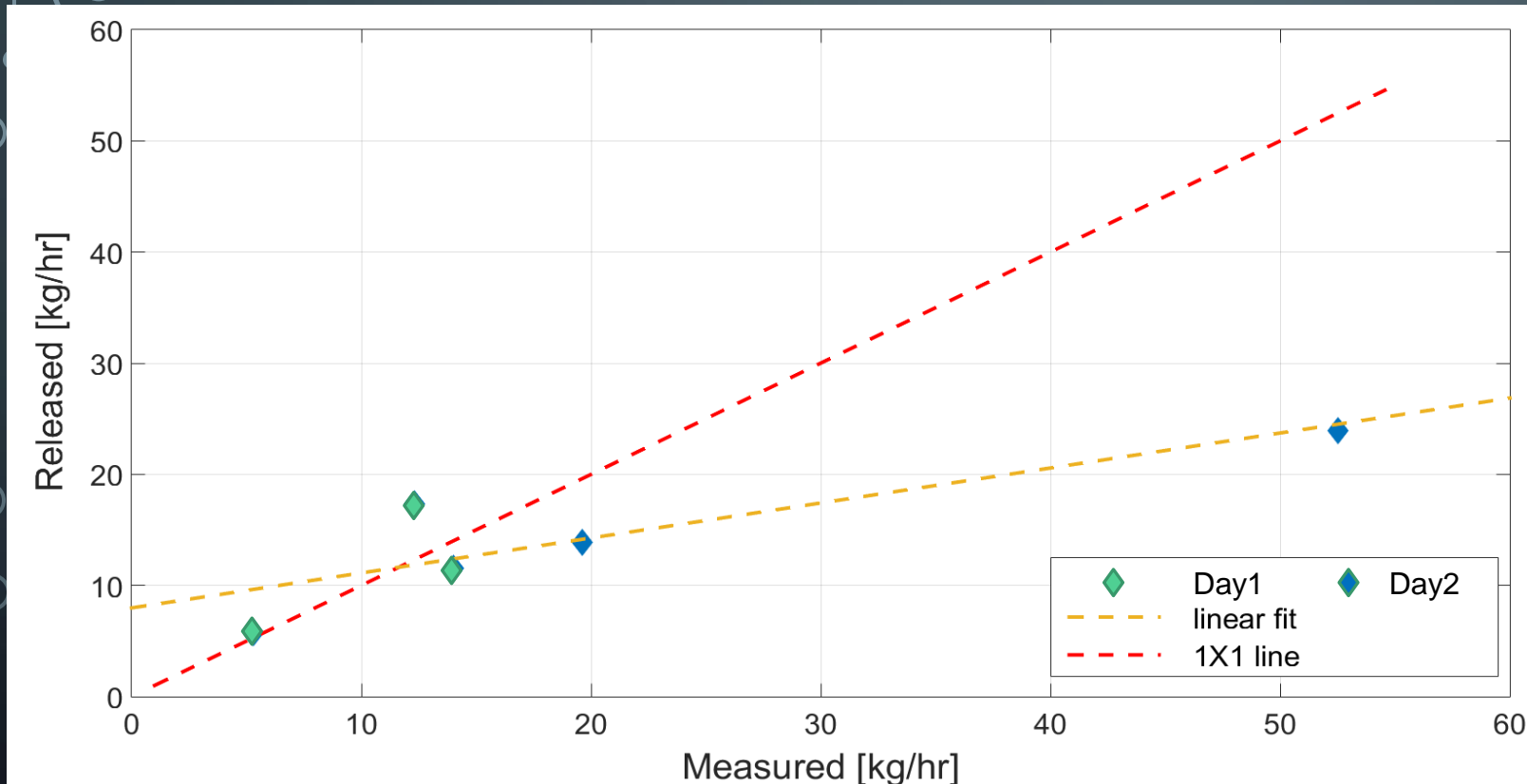


# CONTROLLED-RELEASE STUDY: RESULTS OF VRPM MEASUREMENTS



- Quantified releases from 3m altitude only
- Good linearity and correlation coefficient
$$y = 1.08x + 3.64$$
$$R^2 = 0.92$$
- Measured fluxes were slightly underestimated
- Better performance during day 2 due to more favorable meteorological conditions

# CONTROLLED-RELEASE STUDY: INITIAL RESULTS FOR AREA SOURCE TECHNIQUE



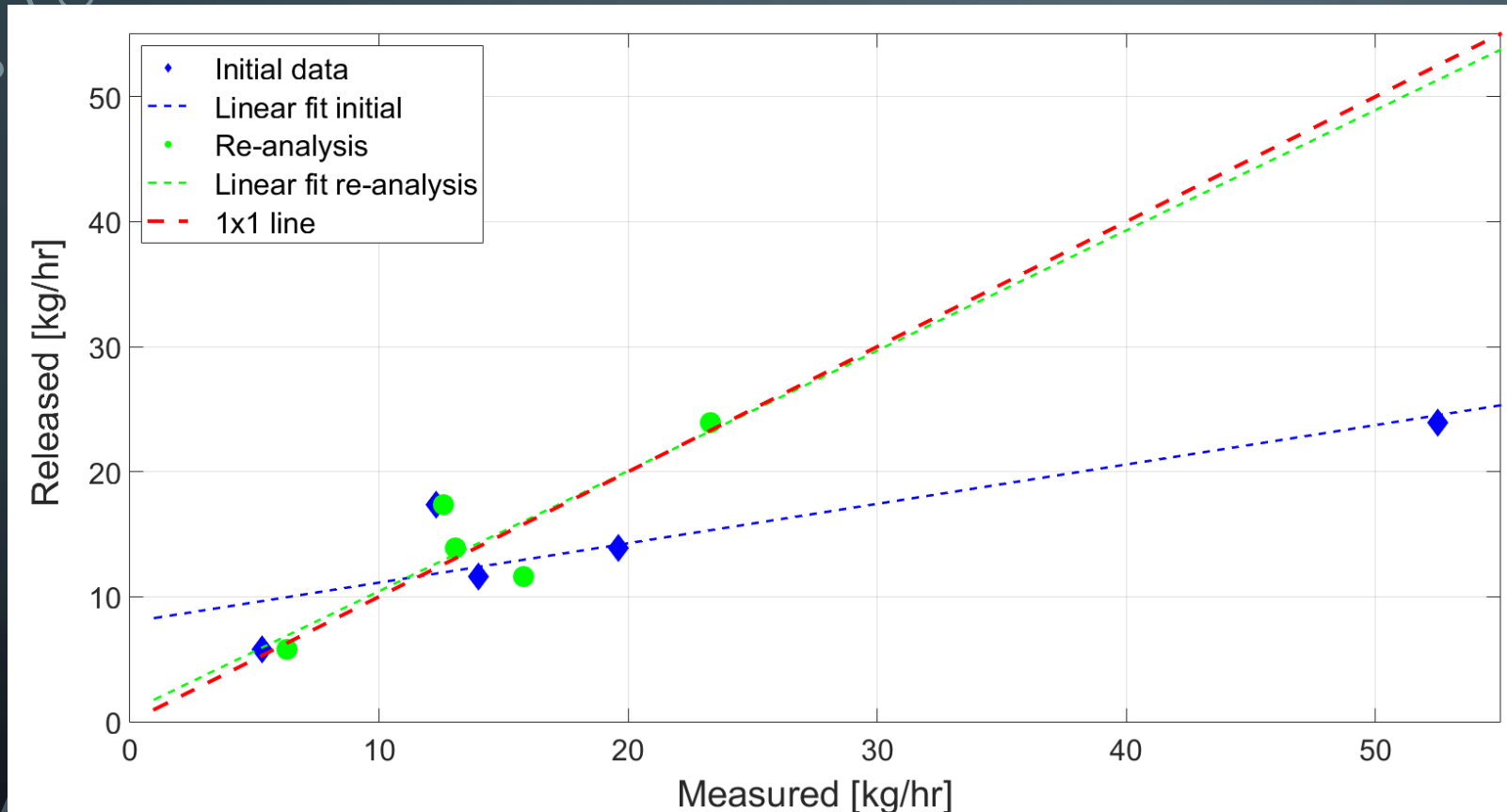
- Quantified releases from 3m altitude only

$$y = 0.315x + 7.98$$

$$R^2 = 0.74$$

- First day fluxes ranged between -29.2% and 20.9% of actual release rates
- Day two fluxes were overestimated by factor of two

# CONTROLLED-RELEASE STUDY: REANALYSIS FOR AREA SOURCE TECHNIQUE



- Reanalysis of the data by
  - adjusting surface roughness parameter
  - Accounting for stable atmospheric conditions on day two
- Significant improvements in calculated fluxes
$$y = 0.962x + 0.824$$
$$R^2 = 0.77$$
- Care should be taken in selecting model input parameters