

AGENDA

Twenty-seventh Annual George Mason University Conference on Atmospheric Transport and Dispersion Modeling

June 20-22, 2023

Conference Chairs:

Joseph Chang, RAND Corporation, Arlington, VA
Zafer Boybeyi, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Enterprise Hall, Room 80 (In-person Only)
George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

DAY 1 (June 20) Enterprise Hall, Room 80

Session 1-Modeling Studies (1)

Chair: Joe Chang, RAND Corporation

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| | 8:25 AM | 8:30 AM | Welcoming Remarks |
| 1.1 | 8:30 AM | 8:50 AM | Impacts of Land Surface and Meteorological Data Assimilation on Transport Modeling in the Snake River Plain
Joseph Wermter, Steven Chiswell, Brian Viner
<i>Savannah River National Laboratory, Aiken, SC</i> |
| 1.2 | 8:50 AM | 9:10 AM | Impact of Using Profile and Surface Observations on Meteorological Variables Computed Using MC-SCIPUFF
Sean Miner
<i>Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Albuquerque, NM</i> |
| 1.3 | 9:10 AM | 9:30 AM | Post-processing of CMAQ Forecast for Improving Air Quality Predictions
Stefano Alessandrini ¹ , Jared A. Lee ¹ , J. H. Kim ¹ , Scott Meech ¹ , R. Kumar ¹ , Irina V. Djalalova ² , James Wilczak ²
<i>¹ National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, CO; ² National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration</i> |
| 1.4 | 9:30 AM | 9:50 AM | Follow-up to the EMERGENCIES Project – High-fidelity 3D Simulations Accounting for Uncertainties in the Event of Hazmat Dispersion Over a Huge Urban Area
Patrick ARMAND ¹ , Christophe DUCHENNE ¹ , Olivier OLDRINI ² , and Sylvie PERDRIEL ²
<i>¹ CEA, DAM, DIF, Arpajon, France; ² AmpliSIM, Paris, France</i> |
| 1.5 | 9:50 AM | 10:10 AM | CBRN Modelling of Sources and Agent Fate: an Introduction to the MODISAFE Project
Jan Burman ¹ , Oscar Björnham ¹ , Stephane Burkhart ² , Thomas Vik ³ , Thor Gjesdal ³ , Simon Gant ⁴ , Helen Cruse ⁴ , Rory Hetherington ⁴ , Liam Gray ⁴ , Matteo Carpentieri ⁵ , Marco Placidi ⁵ , Alan Robins ⁵ , Guillaume Leroy ⁶ |

¹ Swedish Defense Research Agency (FOI), Sweden; ² Directorate of General Armaments (DGA), France; ³ Norwegian Defense Research Establishment (FFI), Norway; ⁴ Heath and Safety Executive (HSE), United Kingdom; ⁵ University of Surrey, Surrey, United Kingdom; ⁶ INERIS, France

10:10 AM 10:40 AM **COFFEE BREAK**

Session 2-Fire Modeling and Observations

Chair: Thomas O. Spicer, University of Arkansas

- 2.1 10:40 AM 11:00 AM **QUIC-Fire and QUIC-SMOKE: Planning Safe and Effective Prescribed Fires**
Vijay George Narayanan, R.R. Linn, M.A. Nelson, M.J. Brown, S. Brambilla
Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM
- 2.2 11:00 AM 11:20 AM **Can We Improve Short-range Plume Dispersal Modelling for Fire Related Emergency Response Operations?**
Nicola Stebbing
The Met Office, Exeter, United Kingdom
- 2.3 11:20 AM 11:40 AM **SIMPAC Forest Fire Operational SAAS Platform**
Bruno Ribstein¹, Marine Laplanche¹, Maxime Nibart¹, Damien Piga²
¹ ARIA Technologies, Boulogne-Billancourt, France; ² AtmoSud, Marseille France
- 2.4 11:40 AM 12:00 PM **Smoke and Wind Observations of a Prescribed Fire at Eglin Air Force Base**
Matthew Nelson, Sara Brambilla, Diego Rojas Blanco, Vijay Narayanan, Mina Deshler, Liam Wedell, Jesse Canfield, Dorianis Perez, Rod Linn, and Michael Brown
Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM
- 2.5 12:00 PM 12:20 PM **Chemical Fires Module Phase II**
Stephen Davis¹, Jayda Meisel¹, Tesema Chekol¹, James Reuther¹, Brian Pate²
Battelle Memorial Institute¹; Defense Threat Reduction Agency²

12:20 PM 1:20 PM **LUNCH BREAK**

Session 3-HYSPLIT

Chair: Mark Cohen, NOAA Air Resources Laboratory

- 3.1 1:20 PM 1:40 PM **Overview of NOAA's Regional Specialized Meteorological Center (RSMC) for Atmospheric Transport and Dispersion Emergency Response**
Jeffery T. McQueen¹, Binyu Wang¹, Robert Handel¹, Fanglin Yang¹, Mark Cohen², Tianfeng Chai², Sonny Zinn²
1National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service, National Centers for Environmental Prediction, College Park, MD; 2 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Air Resources Laboratory, College Park, MD
- 3.2 1:40 PM 2:00 PM **Development of a HYSPLIT – CarbonTracker-Lagrange Inverse CO₂ Modeling Prototype for the Washington, DC and Baltimore, MD Metropolitan Area: Results from the First Set of Synthetic Data Experiments**

Miguel Cahuich-López^{1,2}, Christopher P Loughner¹, Mark Cohen¹, Sonny Zinn¹, Xinrong Ren¹, Winston Luke¹, Paul Kelley^{1,3}, Phillip Stratton^{1,3}, Howard Diamond¹, Ariel Stein¹, Arlyn Andrews⁴, Lei Hu^{4,5}, John Miller⁴, Mike Trudeau^{4,5}, Bharat Rastogi^{4,5}, Sergio Ibarra-Espinosa^{4,5}, John Mund^{4,5}, Colm Sweeney⁴, Steve Montzka⁴, James Whetstone⁶, Anna Karion⁶, Kimberly Mueller⁶, Israel Lopez-Coto^{6,7}, Subhomoy Ghosh^{6,8}, Brian McDonald⁹, and Lesley Ott¹⁰

¹ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Air Resources Laboratory, College Park, MD; ² Earth System Science Interdisciplinary Center, University of Maryland, College Park, MD; ³ Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Science, University of Maryland, College Park, MD; ⁴ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Global Monitoring Laboratory, Boulder, CO; ⁵ Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO; ⁶ National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD; ⁷ School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY; ⁸ University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN; ⁹ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Chemical Sciences Laboratory, Boulder, CO; ¹⁰ NASA, Global Modeling and Assimilation Office, Greenbelt, MD

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| 3.3 | 2:00 PM | 2:20 PM | Reducing the Number of Computational Particles Needed for HYSPLIT Simulations
Alice Crawford
<i>National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Air Resources Laboratory, College Park, MD</i> |
| 3.4 | 2:20 PM | 2:40 PM | HYSPLIT Trajectory Analysis of Synoptic Scale Wind Patterns' Influence on Sea Breeze Development and Air Quality During the LISTOS Field Campaign
Christopher Loughner
<i>National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Air Resources Laboratory, College Park, MD</i> |
| 3.5 | 2:40 PM | 3:00 PM | Going with the Wind: Assessing GEFS Wind Fields for Volcanic Ash Forecasting with the HYSPLIT Model

Binyu Wang ¹ , Alice Crawford ² , Jeff McQueen ³ , Mark Cohen ² , Fanglin Yang ³ , Sonny Zinn ²

<i>¹ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Lynker Contract Support, College Park, MD, ² National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Air Resources Laboratory, College Park, MD, ³ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service, National Centers for Environmental Prediction, College Park, MD</i> |
| 3.6 | 3:00 PM | 3:20 PM | The Impact of Using Assimilated Meteorological Fields with Local Observations on Dispersion Simulations
Fong Ngan ^{1,2} , Nebila Lichiheb ^{3,4} , and Mark Cohen ¹

<i>¹ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Air Resources Laboratory, College Park, MD; ² Cooperative Institute for Satellites Earth System Studies, University of Maryland, College Park, MD; ³ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Air Resources Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN; ⁴ Oak Ridge Associated Universities, Oak Ridge, TN</i> |
| | 3:20 PM | 3:40 PM | COFFEE BREAK |

Session 4-Modeling of Radiological Releases

Chair: Simon Gant, Health and Safety Executive

- 4.1 3:40 PM 4:00 PM **Brief Review of History of Modeling Transport and Dispersion of Radiological Releases**
Steven R. Hanna
Hanna Consultants, Kennebunkport, ME
- 4.2 4:00 PM 4:20 PM **Realistic Radiological Exposure Calculations in Urban Areas**
Matthew Nelson, Lucas Hetrick, Sean O'Dowd, Mina Deshler, Liam Wedell, Sara Brambilla, John Klumpp, Timothy Goorley, and Michael Brown
Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM
- 4.3 4:20 PM 4:40 PM **Integrating an Urban Dispersion Model (QUIC) and an Internal Dosimetry Calculator (DEPDOSE)**
Liam R. Wedell, Matthew A. Nelson, John A. Klumpp, Michael J. Brown
Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM
- 4.4 4:40 PM 5:00 PM **Urban Dispersion and Radiation Modelling in ESTE CBRN with Implemented Lagrangian Particle Model**
Ludovit Liptak, P. Carny, E. Fojcikova, M. Marcisovsky, M. Marcisovska
Abmerit, Trnava, Slovakia
- 4.5 5:00 PM 5:20 PM **Reintegration of the DELFIC Precipitation Scavenging Module**
Matthew J. Krupcale
Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN
- 4.6 5:20 PM 5:40 PM **Criteria for Modeling Atmospheric Dispersion of Radiological Releases from Nuclear Facilities – a Voluntary Consensus Standard**
John Ciolek¹, Sarah Davis², Carl Mazzola¹
¹ Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM; ² Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, IL
- 5:40 PM **DAY 1 ADJOURNS**

DAY 2 (June 21) Enterprise Hall, Room 80

Session 5-Jack Rabbit III (1)

Chair: Ron Meris, Defense Threat Reduction Agency

- 5.1 8:30 AM 8:50 AM **Jack Rabbit III: Filling Atmospheric Ammonia Dispersion Modeling Gaps for Emergency Planning and Response Applications**
Sun McMasters¹, Ronald Meris², Shannon Fox¹
¹ DHS Chemical Security Analysis Center, Edgewood, MD; ² Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Ft. Belvoir, VA
- 5.2 8:50 AM 9:10 AM **Modeling of Desert Tortoise and Fladis using Reanalysis Weather in Support of Jack Rabbit III**
Steven Simpson, Matthew King, Sean Miner
Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Albuquerque, NM
- 5.3 9:10 AM 9:30 AM **Can Existing Samplers and Remote Sensors Provide Rapid Response Measurements of Deposition to Various Surfaces and Concentrations in Soils and Vegetation?**
Steven R. Hanna
Hanna Consultants, Kennebunkport, ME

- 5.4 9:30 AM 9:50 AM **Effect of Humidity on the Dispersion Behaviour of Pressure-liquefied Ammonia Jet Releases**
Gemma Tickle¹, Rory Hetherington², Simon Gant², Alison McGillivray², and Harvey Tucker³
¹ GT Science and Software, Waverton, Cheshire, United Kingdom; ² Health and Safety Executive (HSE), Buxton, United Kingdom; ³ Health and Safety Executive (HSE), Bootle, United Kingdom
- 5.5 9:50 AM 10:10 AM **Thermodynamic Modeling of the Interaction of Ammonia and Air/Water for Consequence Assessment Purposes**
Thomas O. Spicer
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR
- 10:10 AM 10:40 AM **COFFEE BREAK**
- Session 6-Jack Rabbit III (2) and Related Programs; Plume Tracking**
Chair: Thomas Mazzola, Defense Threat Reduction Agency
- 6.1 10:40 AM 11:00 AM **Analysis Toolbox to Support the Hazard Assessment of Waterborne Ammonia Releases**
Peter Egli, Matthew Ward, Shane Palmer
Maritime Planning Associates, Inc., Newport, RI
- 6.2 11:00 AM 11:20 AM **Red Squirrel Ammonia Field Experiments and Modeling Results**
Seshu Dharmavaram
Air Products, Allentown, PA
- 6.3 11:20 AM 11:40 AM **Carbon Dioxide Pipelines: Dispersion Modeling Challenges and Tentative Plans for a Program of Field-scale Experiments**
Simon Gant
Health and Safety Executive (HSE), Buxton, United Kingdom
- 6.4 11:40 AM 12:00 PM **Evaluation of Spectroscopy Imager and Point Sensor Systems for Continuous Monitoring of Fugitive Methane**
Lukasz Zielinski, A. Ballard Andrews, Christopher Boucher, Aditi Chakrabarti, Mathieu Dauphin, Manasi Doshi, Kashif Rashid, Andrew Speck, Junyi Yuan
Schlumberger Doll Research, Cambridge, MA
- 6.5 12:00 PM 12:20 PM **Weather Radar Plume Tracking and Forecasting**
Tom Norby, Erik Kabel, David Hooper
Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN
- 12:20 PM 1:20 PM **LUNCH BREAK**
- Session 7-Urban and Interiors Dispersion Modeling (1)**
Chair: Paul Bieringer, Aeris LLC
- 7.1 1:20 PM 1:40 PM **Effect of Wind Direction on the Ventilation Dynamics of a Model Sports Stadium**
Andrew J. Banko¹, Tuhin Bandopadhyay², Laura Villafañe², Brad P. Sutton², Christopher J. Elkins³, Michael J. Benson¹
¹ United States Military Academy, West Point, NY; ² University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana-Champaign, IL; ³ Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- 7.2 1:40 PM 2:00 PM **Tracer Gas Experiment of Urban Pollutant Transport: Urban Canyons and Indoor-Outdoor Transport**
Michael D. Sohn¹, Marion L. Russell¹, William W. Delp¹, David M. Lorenzetti¹, Kyla Cook¹, Benjamin Wong², Ang Yu Ming², Fiona Phua², Joseph Ng², Shermin Soh², Tan Sook Lan², Tay Bee Kiat², Yap Xiu Huan²

¹ Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA; ² DSO National Laboratories, Singapore

- 7.3 2:00 PM 2:20 PM **Aeris Rapid GPU Urban Modeling System (ARGUS) Capability Brief and Demonstration**

Cody Floerchinger, Paul Bieringer, Kory Clark, Alyssa Feagans, Scott Runyon, Brian Martin
Aeris LLC, Louisville, CO
- 7.4 2:20 PM 2:40 PM **Computationally Efficient Probabilistic Modelling of Indoor Contaminant Concentrations**

Martyn Bull, Peter Melling
Riskaware, Bristol, United Kingdom
- 7.5 2:40 PM 3:00 PM **Development of the UrbanAware Platform: UDM Updates and Radiological Modelling Capability**

Martyn Bull
Riskaware, Bristol, United Kingdom
- 7.6 3:00 PM 3:20 PM **The Joint Outdoor-indoor Urban Large Eddy Simulation as a Tool for Emergency Management Planning and Threat Forecasting for Large Semi-enclosed Venues: Verification, Validation, and Demonstration**

Cody Floerchinger¹, Scott Runyon¹, Luna Rodriquez¹, Paul Bieringer¹, Scott Kreyenhagen¹, Andrew Banko²
¹ Aeris LLC, Louisville, CO; ² United States Military Academy, West Point, NY
- 3:20 PM 3:50 PM **COFFEE BREAK**

Session 8-Communicating Dispersion Modeling Results Between Tactical Edge and Command and Control & Reachback; Urban and Interiors Dispersion Modeling (2)
Chairs: Andrew Banko, U.S. Military Academy; Cody Floerchinger, Aeris LLC

- 8.1 3:50 PM 4:10 PM **Hazard Estimation and Assessment Toolkit (HEAT) Plugin for the Web Based Tactical Assault Kit (WebTAK)**

George Bieberbach¹, Jonathan Hurst¹, Paul Bieringer¹, Brian Martin¹, Peter Melling², Russell Mills², Phil Wingfield², Connor Runyon³, Ryan Hafer³, Jason Rodriquez³, Steve Parker⁴, Stacey Campbell⁴, Katie Raymond⁵
¹ Aeris LLC, Louisville, CO; ² Riskaware, United Kingdom; ³ Applied Research Associates; ⁴ Xator Corporation; ⁵ Defense Threat Reduction Agency
- 8.2 4:10 PM 4:30 PM **Chemical Biological Alerting & Response Tool (CBART) Plugin for the Web Based Tactical Assault Kit (WebTAK)**

Brian Martin¹, Paul Bieringer¹, Jonathan Hurst¹, Ryan Hafer², Rick Fry³
¹ Aeris LLC, Louisville CO; ² Applied Research Associates, Inc.; ³ Defense Threat Reduction Agency
- 8.3 4:30 PM 4:50 PM **Integrated Urban: State of the Urban and Indoor Dispersion Modeling Project**

Michael D. Sohn¹, David M. Lorenzetti¹, Paul E. Bieringer², Scott Kreyenhagen², George Bieberbach²
¹ Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA; ² Aeris LLC, Louisville, CO
- 8.4 4:50 PM 5:10 PM **QUEST – Queryable Source Term Estimation Tool**

Scott Runyon, Brian Martin, Paul Bieringer, Scott Kreyenhagen
Aeris LLC, Louisville CO
- 5:10 PM **DAY 2 ADJOURNS**

DAY 3 (June 22) Enterprise Hall, Room 80**Session 9-Modeling Studies (2); Database****Chair: Steve Hanna, Hanna Consultants**

- 9.1 8:30 AM 8:50 AM **CBRN Wind Tunnel Design Using LES-simulation**
Jan Burman
Totalförsvarets Forskningsinstitut, Stockholm, Sweden
- 9.2 8:50 AM 9:10 AM **Identifying Issues with NAME's Urban Dispersion Scheme at High Urban Density**
Lois Huggett
The Met Office, Exeter, United Kingdom
- 9.3 9:10 AM 9:30 AM **A New Plume Rise Algorithm for Modeling Aircraft Sources in AERMOD**
Gavendra Pandey¹, Akula Venkatram², and Saravanan Arunachala¹
¹ *Institute for the Environment, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC;*
² *University of California at Riverside, Riverside, CA*
- 9.4 9:30 AM 9:50 AM **Using WRF Turbulent Kinetic Energy (TKE) in HPAC Predictions: Statistical Metrics and Results**
Caleb Wagner, Glenn Hunter, Dave Stauffer, Doug Henn
Xator, LLC
- 9.5 9:50 AM 10:10 AM **Acceleration of Simulations by Application of a Kernel Method in a High-resolution Lagrangian Particle Dispersion Model**
Daniela Barbero^{1,2}, Bruno Ribstein³, Maxime Nibart³, Gianni Luigi Tinarelli¹
¹ *ARIANET S.R.L., Milan, Italy;* ² *Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy;* ³ *ARIA Technologies, Boulogne-Billancourt, France*
- 9.6 10:10 AM 10:30 AM **Status on the Development of Database/Website for DTRA Programs MUST, JU03, and FFT07**
Eugene Vickers¹, Don Fazenbaker¹, Gerita Cochran²
¹ *U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command - Chemical Biological Center, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD;* ² *Norfolk State University, Norfolk, VA*

10:30 AM 11:00 AM **COFFEE BREAK****Session 10-Urban Modeling; Source Term Estimation; AI/ML****Chair: Zafer Boybeyi, George Mason University**

- 10.1 11:00 AM 11:20 AM **Computational Performance of Lattice Boltzmann Method Based Large Eddy Simulation for Urban Dispersion**
Brendan Waters¹, Helen Schottenhamml², Harald Kostler³, Ben Thornber¹
¹ *The University of Sydney, Australia;* ² *IFP Energies nouvelles, Rueil-Malmaison, France;*
³ *Friedrich-Alexander-Universitat Erlangen-Nurnberg, Erlangen, Germany*
- 10.2 11:20 AM 11:40 AM **Transport and Dispersion of Chemical Agent in the Urban Atmosphere using NBC_RAMs**
Hyeyun Ku, Jiyun Seo, Jungjae Son, Hyunwoo Nam
Advanced Defense Science & Technology Research Institute, Agency for Defense Development, Daejeon, Republic of Korea
- 10.3 11:40 AM 12:00 PM **Dirty Bomb Source Term Characterization and Downwind Dispersion**
Matthew Nelson, Sara Brambilla, and Michael Brown
Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM
- 10.4 12:00 PM 12:20 PM **Testing a Machine Learning Model for the Source Term Estimation**

Stefano Alessandrini, Scott Meech
National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, CO

10.5 12:20 PM 12:40 PM **End-to-end AI for Solving Atmospheric Forecasts**

Johan Mathe

Atmo, Berkeley, CA

12:40 PM

DAY 3/CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

Poster Session

11.1

Hazard Dispersion Modelling at Dstl

Atticus Hall-McNair, Daniel Miller

Dstl Porton Down, Salisbury, United Kingdom

June 23

GMU conference registration not required

Horizon Hall, Room 2014

Jack Rabbit III Break-out Session

Chair: Ron Meris, Defense Threat Reduction Agency

9:00 AM 12:00 PM **Jack Rabbit III Break-out Session**

All are welcome; registration for GMU conference is not required.

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