



Icelandic dust forecasting

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With contributions of:

- ***Belgrade DREAM team (RHMSS, U of Belgrade)***
- ***Agricultural U of Iceland, Reykjavik***
- ***NOA, Athens***
- ***CNR, Potenza***
- ***C-CAPS, Mace Head***
- ***Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague***



COST inDust

(International Network to Encourage the Use of Monitoring and Forecasting Dust Products)

Major objectives

- ❑ Establish a **network** of research institutions, service providers, and end-users of information on airborne dust.
- ❑ Exploit dust monitoring **observations** best suited to needs of end-users.
- ❑ Exploit **dust forecast** products best suited to needs of end-users.
- ❑ **Coordinate** R&D to assist socio-economic sectors affected by dust.

WMO SDS-WAS

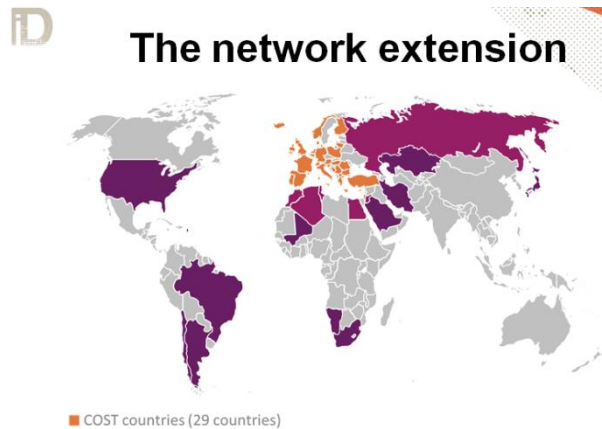
(Sand and Dust Storm Warning Advisory and Assessment System)

Mission

To enhance the ability of countries to deliver timely and quality sand and dust storm forecasts, observations, information and knowledge to users through an international partnership

SDS-WAS components:

- **Warning Advisory**
 - monitoring/observing
 - forecasting
 - advising on warnings
- **Assessment**
 - reanalysis
 - sub-seasonal forecasts
 - climate change projections; trends



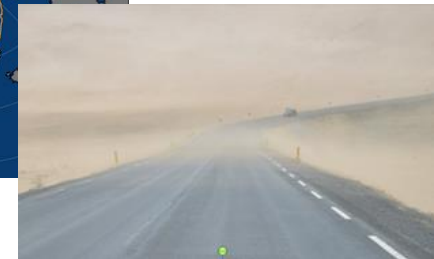
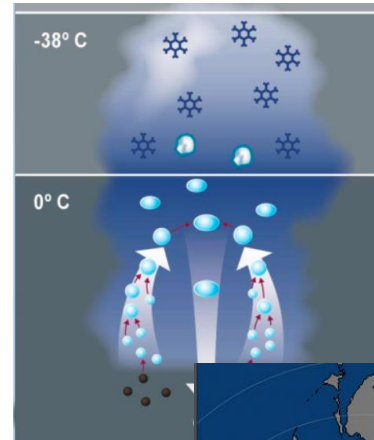
Icelandic dust: basic facts

- 130 DUSTY DAYS
- TOTAL EMISSIONS: 30.5-40.1 MILLION T
- OCEAN DEPOSITION: 5.5-13.8 MILLION T
- CALCULATED IRON DEPOSITION: 0.56-1.4 MILLION T

Icelandic dust-atmosphere modeling

Why Icelandic dust model?

- No fully dynamic (Eulerian) prognostic dust model for Iceland in the community
- Purpose: to provide
 - daily dust forecasts
 - studying dust impacts to
 - Ocean, cryosphere
 - Cold cloud formation
 - High-lat-dust (HLD) climate
 - Local AQ and transport



- **inDust and WMO SDS-WAS have included HLD as a research objective**
- **the newest IPCC statement: dust an important forcer for the HL climate**

Modeling challenges

- Small-scale dust sources
- Volcanic dust origin
- HLD specific thermodynamics
- Larger particle sizes
- Unique dust mineralogy
- Unsufficient observations for model validations



Existing Icelandic dust modeling facilities

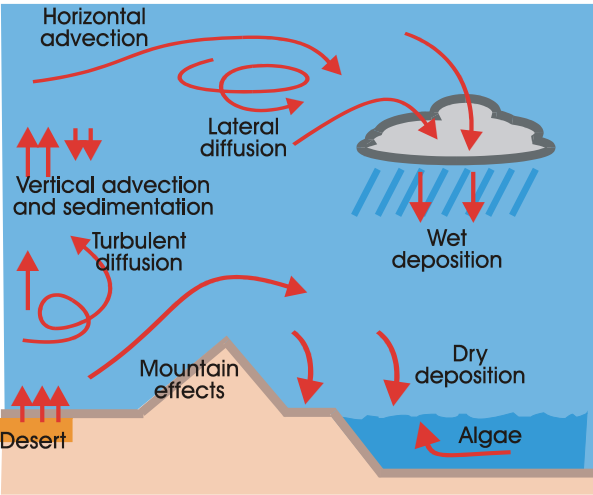
Model	Lagrang/Euler	Offline/Online	Atm driver	Forercasting status
UKMO NAME	Lagrangean	Offline	UK NWP model	/
University of Oslo	Lagrangean	Offline	NCAR WRF-ARW	/
SILAM FHMI	Euler	Online	HIRLAM	/
Iceland Met Office	Euler	Online	WRF-CHEM	/
DREAM	Euler	Online	NCEP NMM	operational
HiLDA TU Darmstadt	Euler	?	?	/

A potential to establish a future multi-model forecasting page at WMO SDS-WAS site for Icelandic dust models

DREAM-Iceland model*

**The study to be soon submitted for publication (Cvetkovic et al, 2021)*

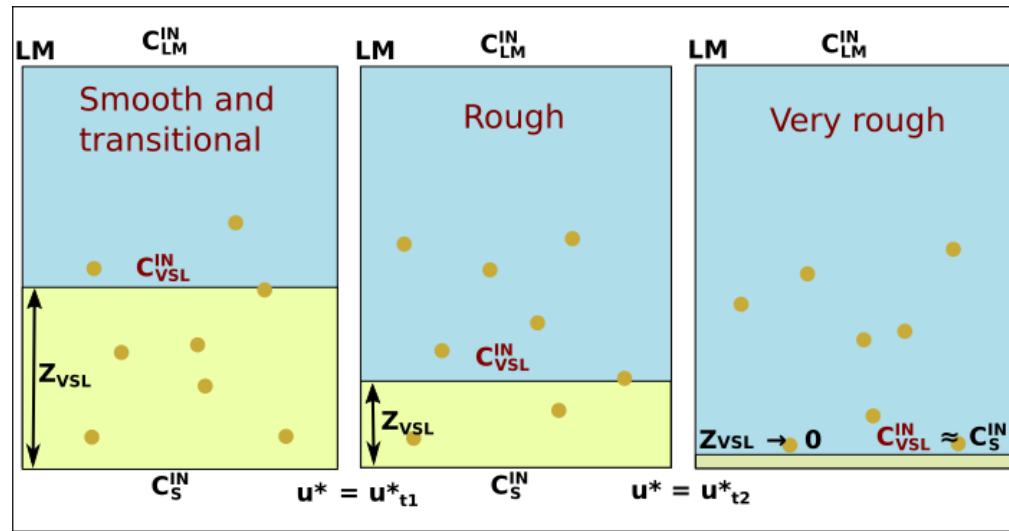
DREAM model dynamics



$$\frac{\partial C_k}{\partial t} = -u \frac{\partial C_k}{\partial x} - v \frac{\partial C_k}{\partial y} - (w - v_{gk}) \frac{\partial C_k}{\partial z} - \nabla \cdot (K_H \nabla C_k) - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(K_z \frac{\partial C_k}{\partial z} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial C_k}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{SOURCE}} - \left(\frac{\partial C_k}{\partial t} \right)_{\text{SINK}}$$

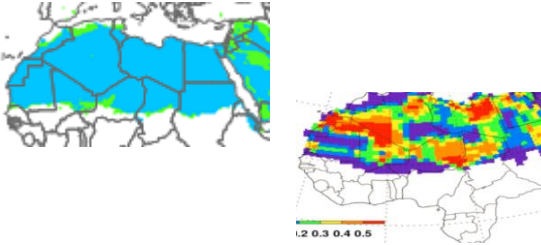
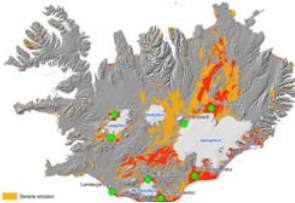
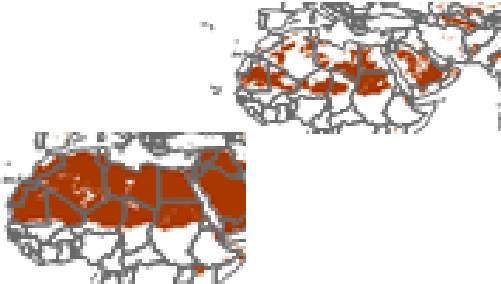
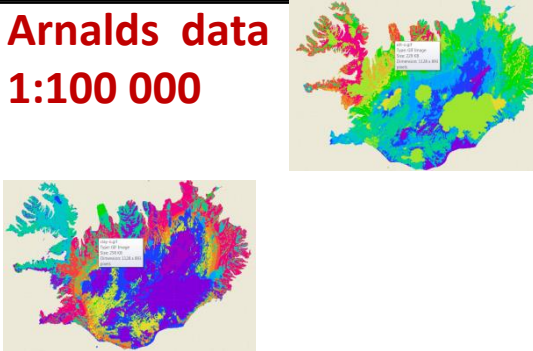
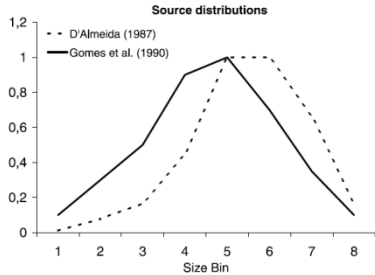
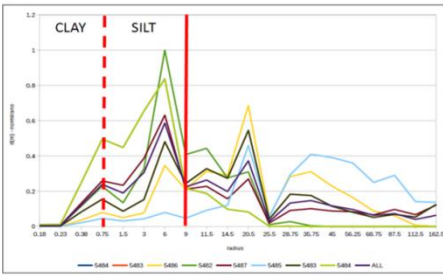
Viscous sub-layer dust emission scheme

$$C_S^{IN} \sim u_*^2 \left[1 - \left(\frac{u_{*t}}{u_*} \right)^2 \right] \quad \text{for } u_* > u_{*t}$$



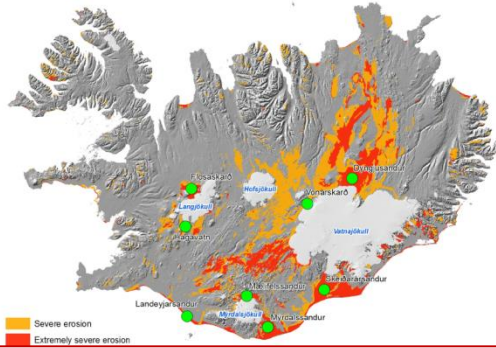
Based on Janjic (1994)

Dust emission components

Model version/ surface params	LLD (low-lat-dust) DREAM	Icelandic DREAM
ALPHA term (dust "mask")	USGS or Ginoux 1km 	Arnalds data 1:100 000 
BETA term (clay/silt)	STATSGO 1km 	Arnalds data 1:100 000 
GAMA term (dust particle size distribution – 8 bins)	D’Almeida or Gomes et al 	Hot-spot measurements 

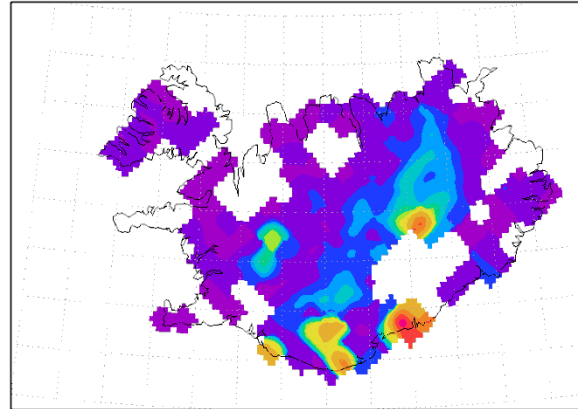
Dust sources: impact of the model resolution

the starting point to develop
sources in DREAM (<1km res)



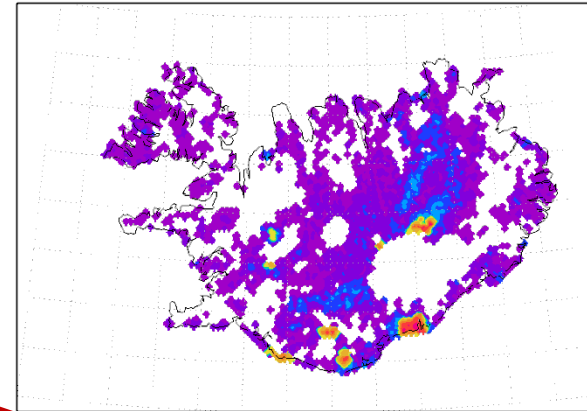
res = 1/10deg

Erosion (sources) & hotspots in H point E grid (dl=dp=1/10)
(3. Considerable; 4. Severe; 5. Extremely severe;)



res = 1/40 deg (~3km)

Erosion (sources) & hotspots in H point E grid (dl=dp=1/40)
(3. Considerable; 4. Severe; 5. Extremely severe;)



*Arnalds, Dagsson-Waldhauserová,
Olafsson (2014)*

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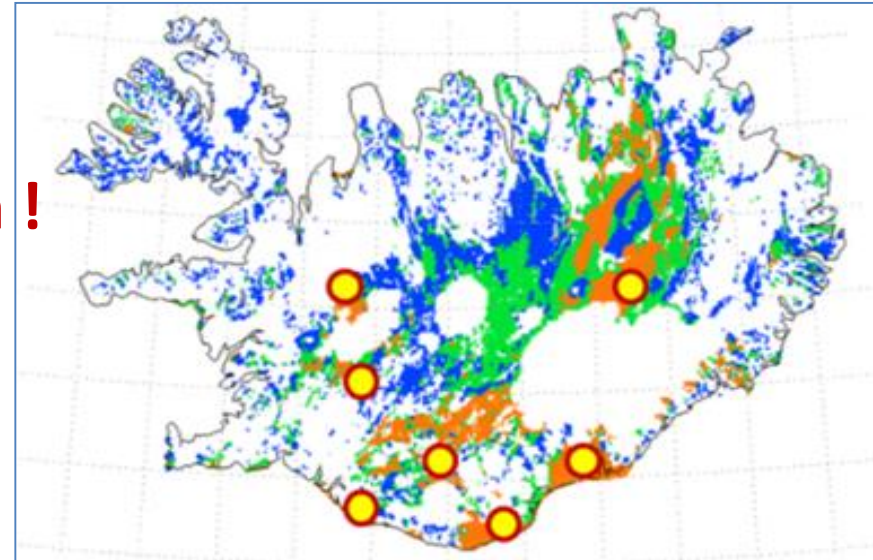
Geo-referenced dust-source-related data

Desert geomorphology

- ☐ Dust hot spots [75%]
- ☐ Large-scale dust-productive desert surfaces classified as
 - *extreme* [20%]
 - *severe* [4%]
 - *considerable* [1%]

Relative contributions
to emission
(Arnads, unpublsh)

Domination of hotspots in emission !

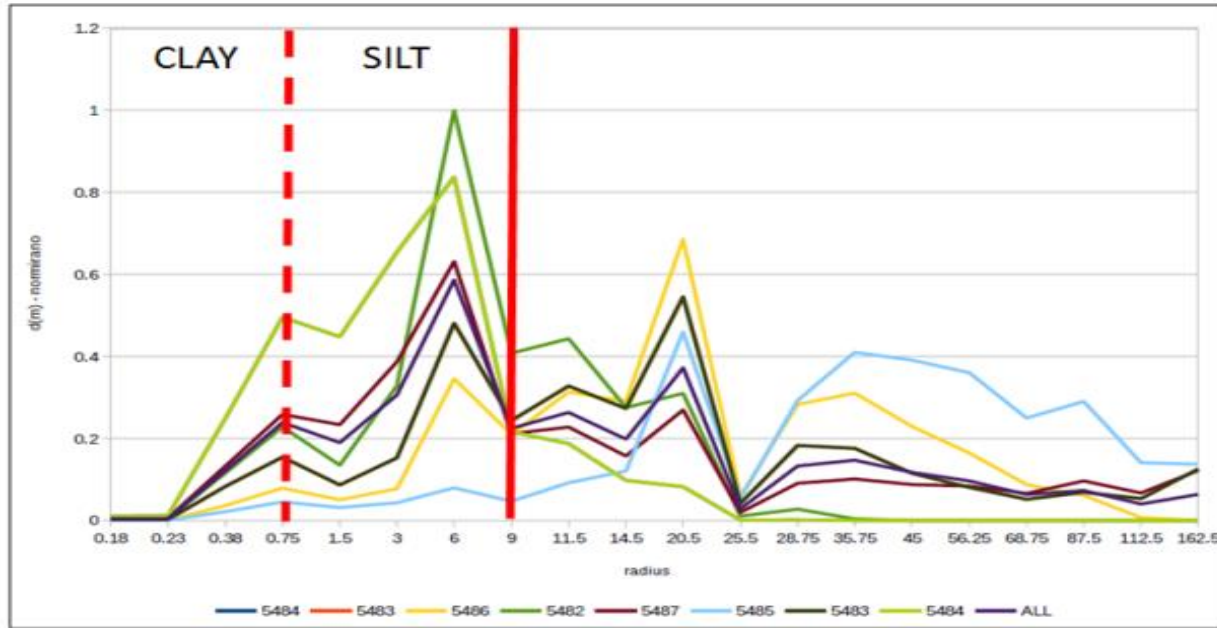


extreme (green), severe (brown) and considerable (blue), hotspot (yellow)

Dust particle size distribution

Particle size distribution at 7 hot spots

(cortesy of L. Lisá
the Czech Academy of Sciences,
unpublished)



Model range

radii

clay

0.18, 0.23, 0.38 and 0.73 μm

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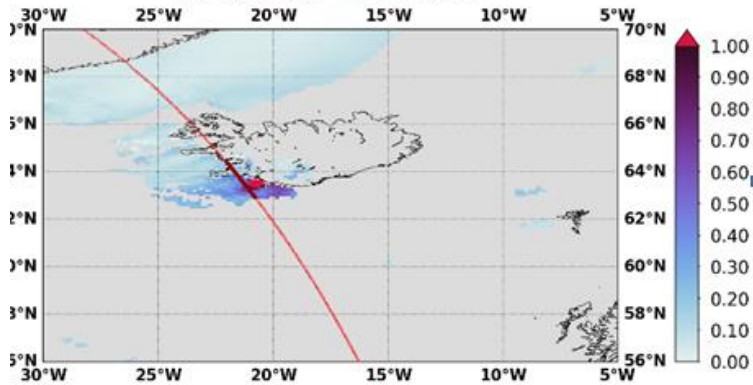
1.5, 3, 6 and 9 μm

Model experiments

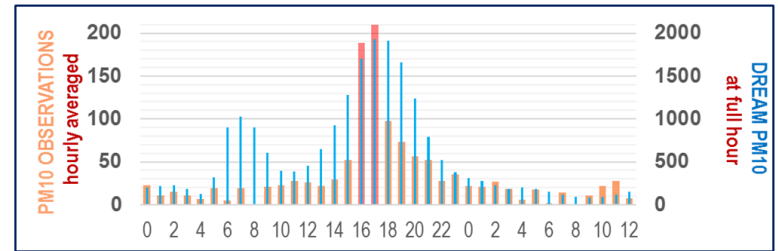
Model tests for dust storms

September 2011 case – short-range dust episode; local impacts

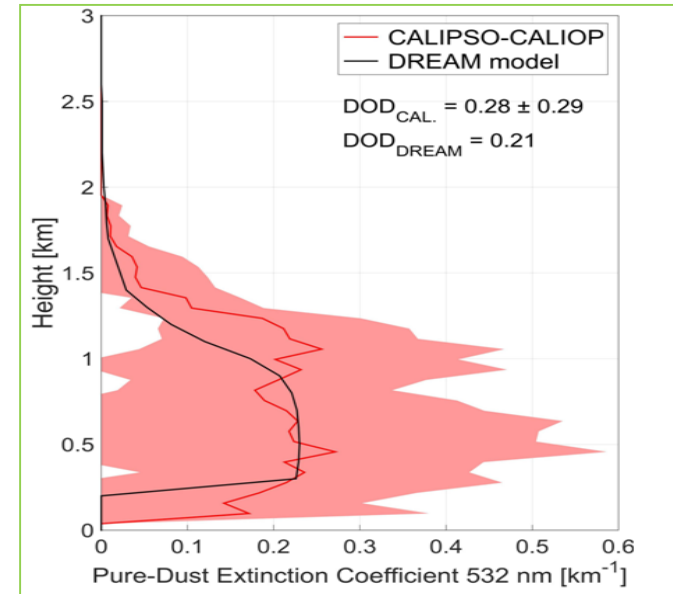
AOD@550nm 12-Sep-2011



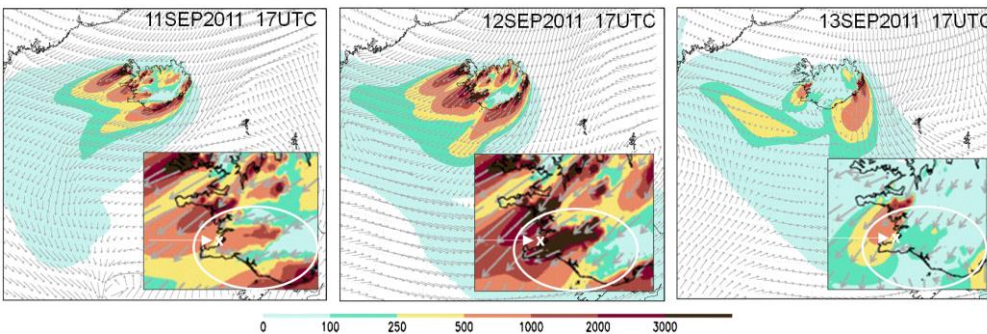
MODIS AOD 12 Sep



Model vs. PM10 12-13 Sep (Reykjavik)



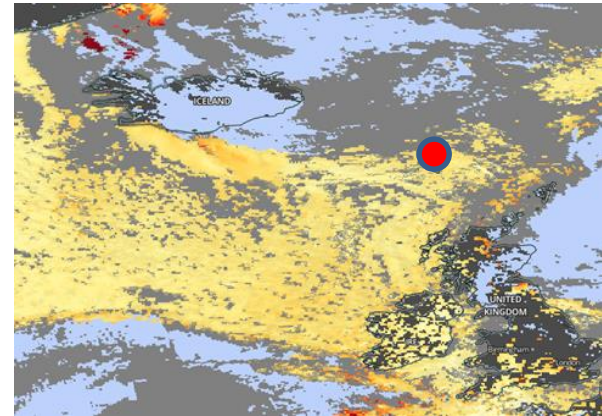
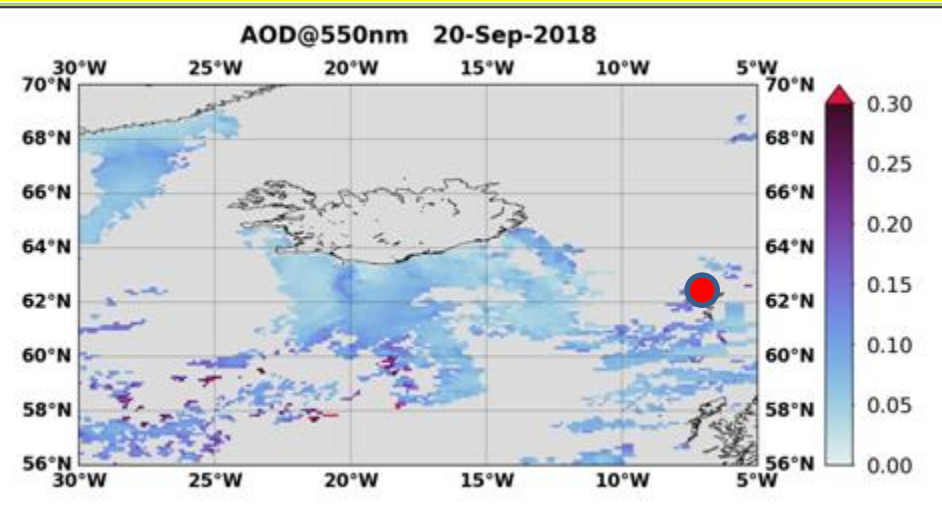
Model vs. CALIPSO extinction



Model dust

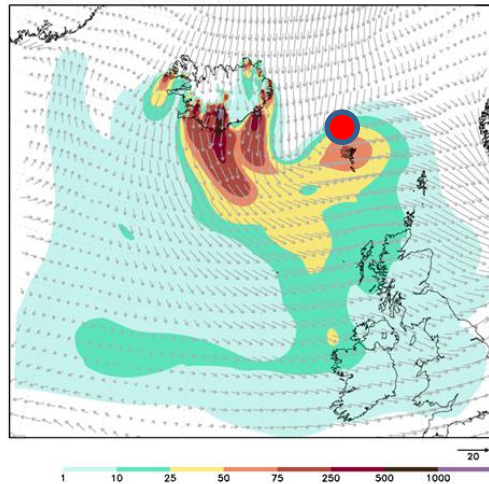
September 2018 case – long-range dust episode

Brit and Faroe isles affected

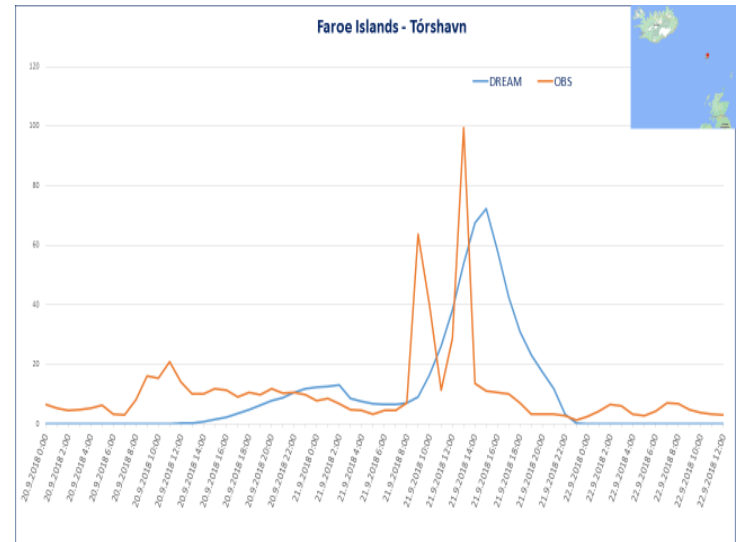


MODIS AOD 20 Sep

DREAM8-Iceland: Surface dust concentration ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) and 10m wind (m/s)
Forecast valid time: 21SEP2018 15UTC



● Faroe



Model vs. PM10 21-22 Sep

Model dust

Operational model domain for 3-day forecasts

<https://sds-was.aemet.es/forecast-products/dust-forecasts/icelandic-dust-forecast>

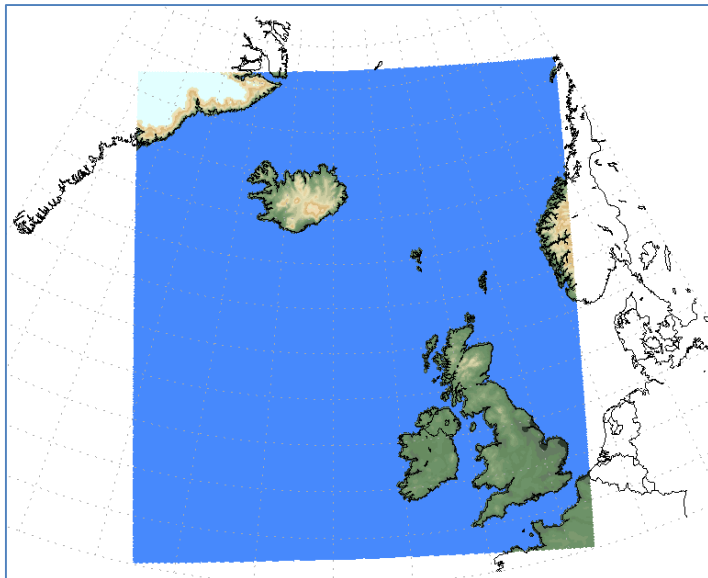
(**SDS-WAS**) or

<http://www.seevccc.rs/?p=8> (**RHMSS**)

Horizontal res: ~3.5km; 28 vertical levels

NCEP-NMM atmospheric driver

- Dust concentration – the additional prognostic equation in NMM



A screenshot of the SDS-WAS website showing the Icelandic Dust Forecast page. The page title is "Icelandic Dust Forecast". The page content includes a navigation menu, a search bar, and a calendar for January 2021. The main content area displays two maps: "Icelandic Dust Forecast - DREAMS Dust Optical Depth" and "Icelandic Dust Forecast - DREAMS Dust Surface Concentration (µg/m³)". Both maps show the dust concentration over the region from 30°N to 64°N and 25°W to 0°. The optical depth map has a color scale from 0.01 to 2.00, and the surface concentration map has a color scale from 5 to 1000. The page also includes a "Latest News" section and a "Description document" link.

Future plans to use DREAM for HLD research

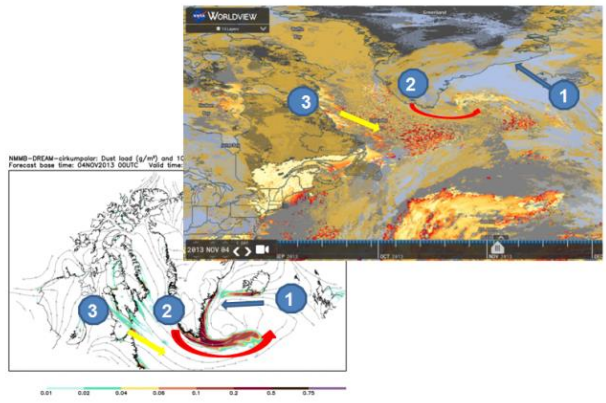
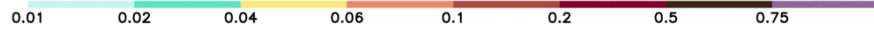
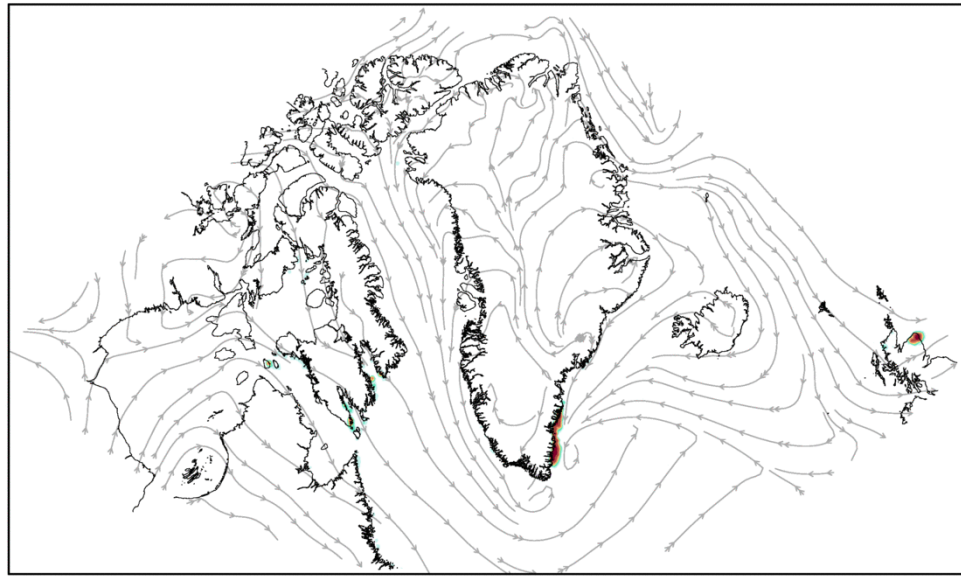
- **Development of a circumpolar DREAM**
- **Dust atmosphere chemical processing (mineralogy)**
- **Cold-cloud formation by dust**
- **Transporting dust darkness as an aerosol property**

**A series of the preliminary tests done
to explore model capabilities**

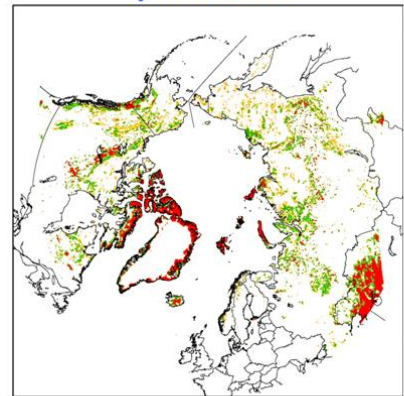
Circumpolar HLD DREAM

preliminary tests (G. Pejanovic)

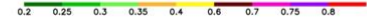
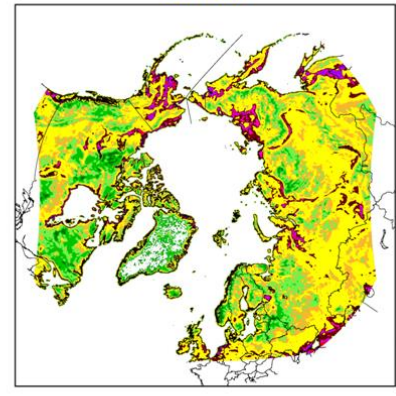
NMMB-DREAM-cirkumpolar: Dust load (g/m³) and 10m wind
 Forecast base time: 04NOV2013 00UTC Valid time: 04NOV2013 01UTC



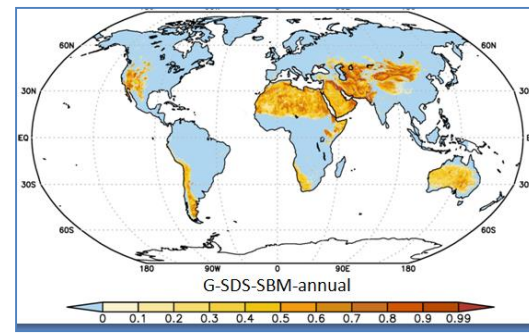
High latitude dust sources



SILT + CLAY



1km global UNCCD dust mask (Vukovic, 2019)
<https://maps.unccd.int/sds/>

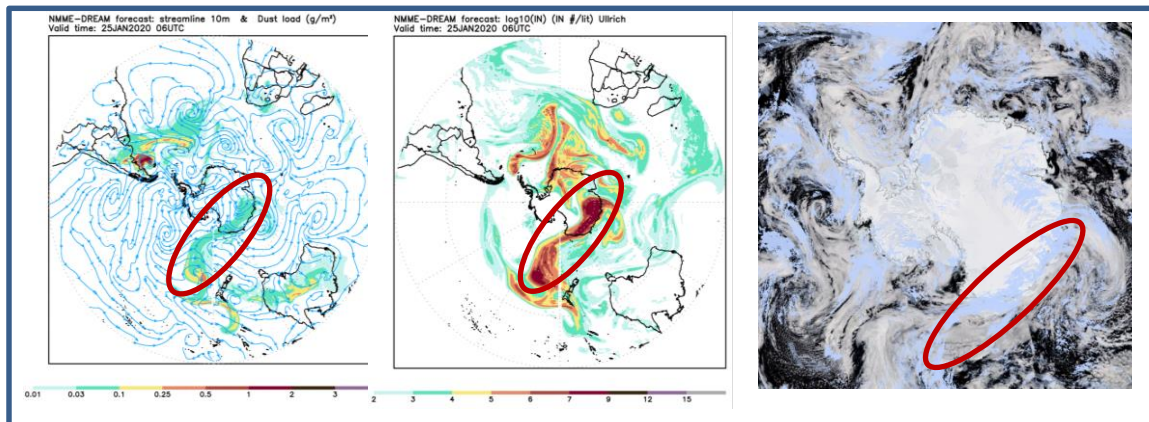
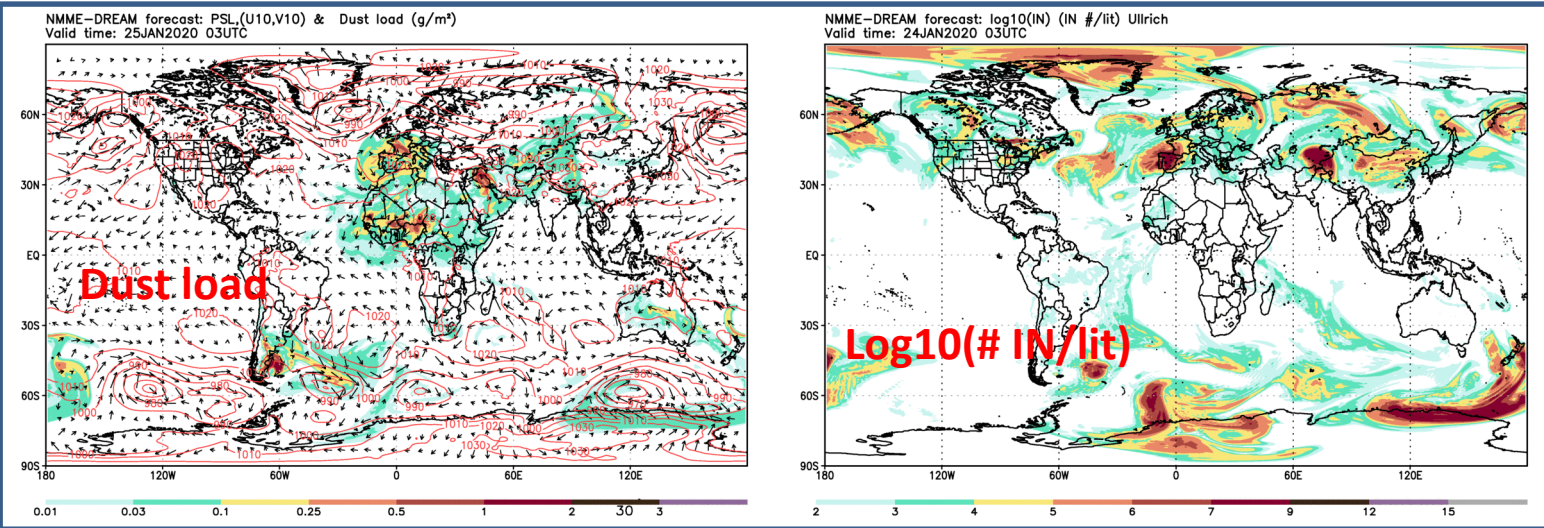


Global DREAM

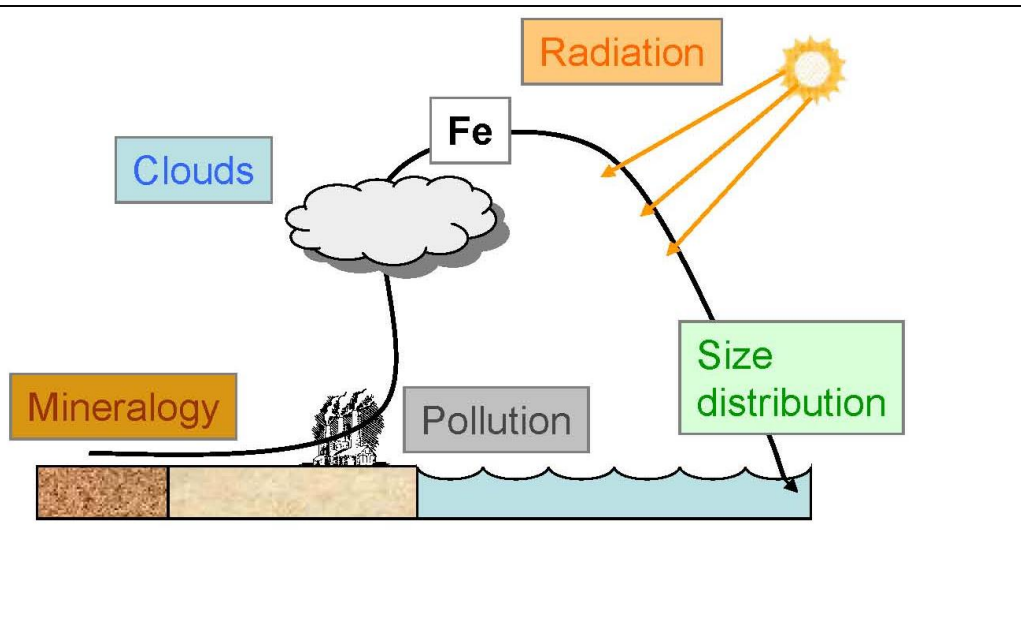
Australian dust Jan 2020 → Antarctic → ice nucleation

<https://public.wmo.int/en/resources/meteoworld/serbia-successfully-models-dust-storm-high-latitudes>

preliminary tests (S. Petkovic)



ATMOSPHERIC IRON PROCESSING AND OCEAN PRODUCTIVITY

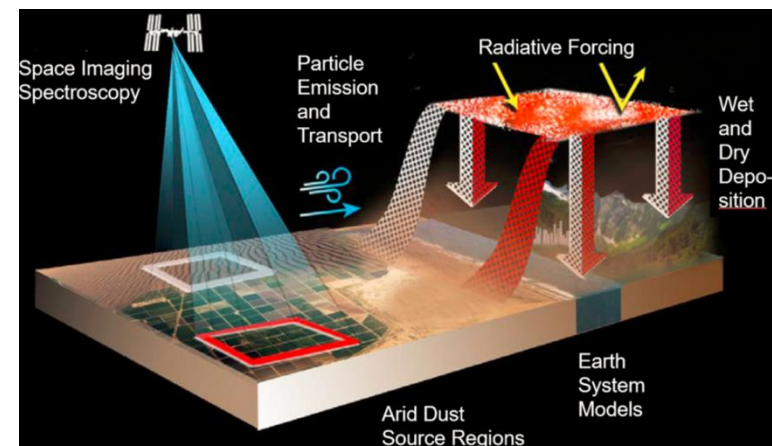


FRAGMENT project

- ongoing research (Perez BSC)
- use of satellite data
- hi-res mineralogy data set

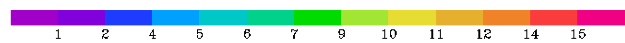
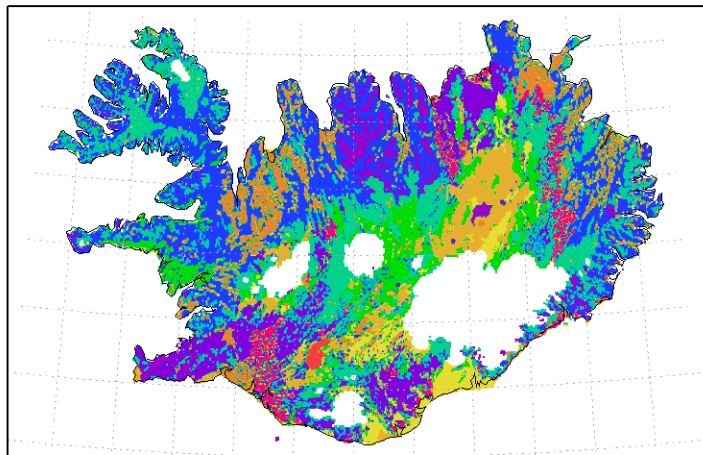
FRontiers in dust minerAloGical coMposition and its Effects upoN climaTe (FRAGMENT)

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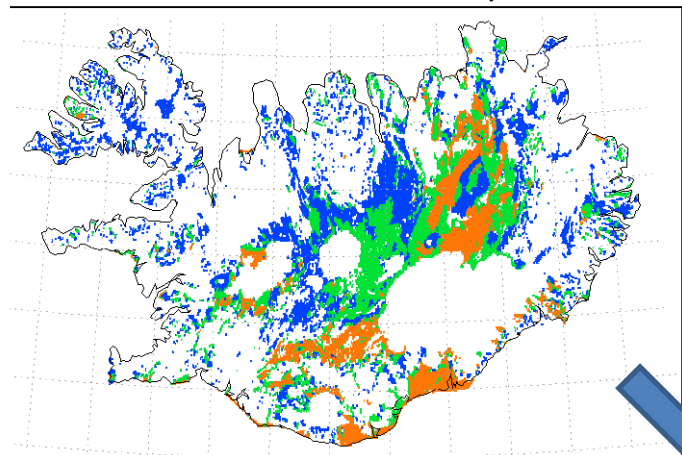
How to assess Fe content in dust-productive soils?

All soils

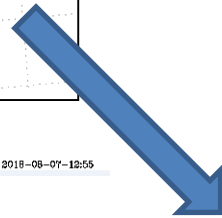


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Erosion (sources)
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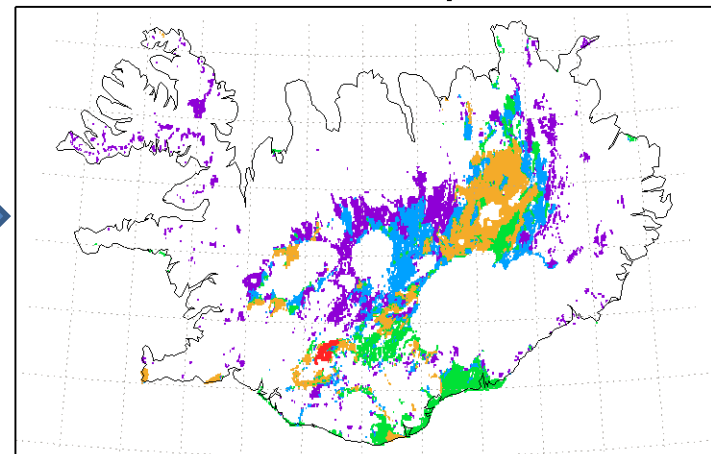


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Vitrisols in sources

- 1. Cambic Vitrisol and Gravelly Vitrisol;
- 2. Cambic Vitrisol and Arenic Vitrisol;
- 3. Arenic Vitrisol;
- 4. Arenic Vitrisol and Leptosol;
- 5. Pumice Vitrisol



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Dust-productive Fe-carrying soils

- Cambic Vitrisol and Gravelly Vitrisol*
- Cambic Vitrisol and Arenic Vitrisol*
- Arenic Vitrisol*
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Preliminary DREAM tests: atmospheric chemical dust processing

Adjustments for Iceland to be done:

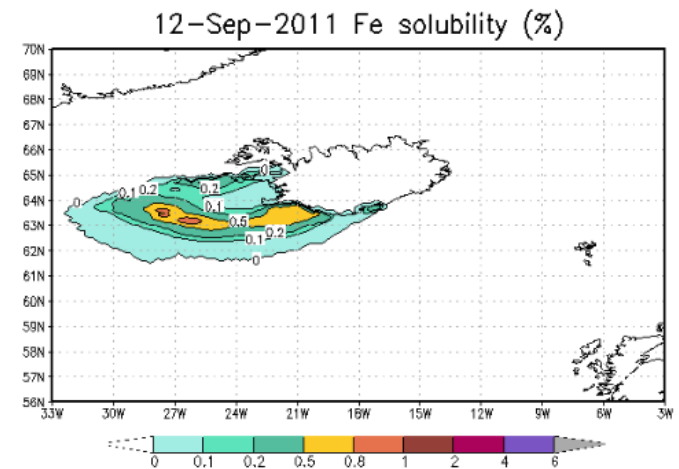
- Fe-oxides in Icelandic soil sources
- needed modification of chemical processing parameterization
 - less pollution?
 - more clouds?
 - low-level dust transport → different particle separation?
 - less photo-reduction ?

Research plans with the Zongbo Shi group (U of Birmingham)

	fraction	CaO	Fe ₂ O ₃
D3	PM ₁₀	11.6	16.3
H55	PM ₁₀	12.4	15.1
Land1	PM ₁₀	6.9	18.2
Maeli2	PM ₁₀	8.5	18.4
MIR45	PM ₁₀	8.6	18.8
D3	PM ₂₀	10.3	14.8
H55	PM ₂₀	11.3	13.8
Land1	PM ₂₀	5.8	16.8
Maeli2	PM ₂₀	7.6	17.6
MIR45	PM ₂₀	8.3	18.8

Distinct chemical and mineralogical composition of Icelandic dust compared to North African and Asian dust

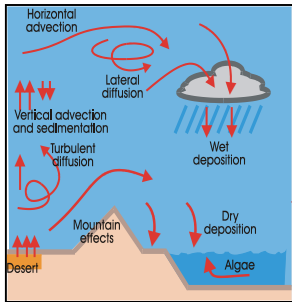
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preliminary tests (S. Nickovic)

Icelandic dust cold cloud formation

DREAM ice nuclei parameterization



DREAM model



NMM model

Dust C

T, RH

DeMott (2015) [-35°C < T < -5°C]

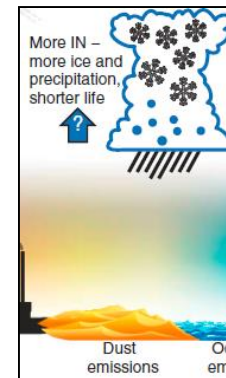
$$n_{IN} = C(n_{dust})^{(\alpha(273.16-T)+\beta)} \exp(\gamma(273.16-T)+\delta)$$

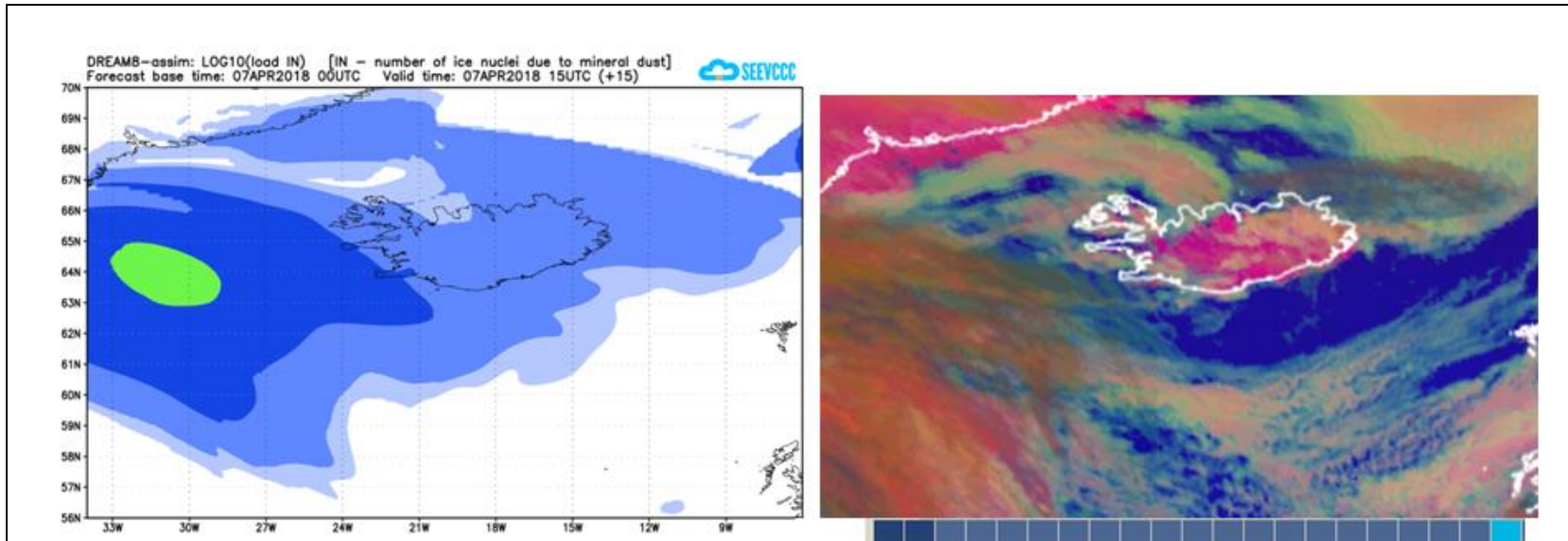
Steinke et al (2015) [-55°C < T < -35°C]

$$n_{IN} = S_{dust} 1.88 \cdot 10^5 e^{-pT+q(RH_{ice}-100\%)}$$

n_{IN}

NMMB Thompson dust-friendly cold cloud microphysics





Preliminary test with Ullrich et al. (2017) ice nucleation scheme

Next steps: to replace U2017 with Iceland-specific parameterizations – options:
Groups of Ben Murray; Konrad Kandler and Kerstin Schepanski, ...)