





OZONE WORK AT KING'S COLLEGE LONDON, MRC-HPA CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH

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Ozone models comparison



FIGURE 4.10: Model predictions of maximum daily mean O_3 concentration for Scenario S4. Negative values show a *reduction* (improvement) in O_3 concentration. The box and whisker plots help to show where the distribution is centred.



Interindividual responses to ozone



Quantification of the Antioxidant Depletion Capacity of Ozone and Nitrogen Dioxide in the Same Respiratory Tract Lining Fluid Model

- Ozone - Nitrogen Dioxide



Concentration (ppb)

Relationships for 1 hour max ozone (ppb) and mortality in Seoul by season S-Y Kim et al (2004)



Relative risk of death as a smooth function of previous day concentration of 24 hour ave ozone (µg/m³) (two-pollutant model with TSP) (Hoek et al 1997)



Fig. 1. Relative risk of death as a smooth function of previous-day concentration of total suspended particulates and ozone, adjusted for confounders (two-pollutant model). The solid line is the predicted relative risk, using a smoothing spline with two degrees of freedom; the dashed line is the 90% confidence interval.

What is it about London? Threshold for ozone and mortality Atkinson et al (2012) EHP 120:1411-1417 (Supplementary material)



Daily max 8 hr mean ozone $\mu g/m^3$



Long-term exposure to ozone Jerrett et al (2009) NEJM 360:1085-95

Respiratory mortality(per 10 ppb Apr-Sept averagedaily 1 hr max ozone(US cities))Single pollutantAdjusted for PM1.027 (1.007–1.046)1.040 (1.013–1.067)

All-cause mortality, stratified by temperature but no adjustment for PM_{2.5}

External temperature (C)‡¶		
<23.3	24	0.96 (0.90-1.01)
>23.3 to <25.4	29	0.97 (0.87-1.08)
>25.4 to <28.7	22	1.04 (0.92-1.16)
>28.7	25	1.05 (1.03-1.08)

WHO REVIHAAP OZONE (1)

- Effects from long-term exposures now recognised WHO should consider an AQG for long-term exposures
- Long term exposures determined by **global emissions** (mainly of **methane**)

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EC should analyse impacts of current policies on long-term ozone concentrations

WHO REVIHAAP Ozone (2)

- EC should then consider wider outreach – via HTAP?
- Contingent on this, EU could consider a TV for long-term exposures
- Can't quantify threshold but if exists, it is <a><45ppb max hourly mean
- Recommend carrying out HIA with SOMO35 and SOMO10



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1.If EU signs up to reducing VOCs by around 30% and NOx by around 50% by 2020 (Gothenburg Protocol) where on the globe will the next reductions most effectively come from in terms of minimising SOMO35 and SOMO10? More from the EU, North America or Asia?

- 2. Ditto in terms of effects on plants.
- 3. What causes the spring increase in ozone in the UK and Europe? How much might be biogenic as plants wake up in the spring?

Background slides in case of questions not used



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Meta-analysis of ozone-induced <u>0-6h post exposure</u> neutrophilia



Mudway & Kelly, AJRCCM, 2004

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