# **Eulerian modelling of TORCH:**

# EMEP4UK simulations of surface ozone during the 2003 heat-wave

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#### EMEP4UK model

#### **Meteorology:**

From WRF using NCEP/NCAR reanalysis and 6 h nudging

#### Horizontal resolution:

5 km x 5 km over UK, nested within EMEP domain

#### **Vertical resolution:**

20 layers up to ~16 km. Surface layer depth 90 m

Chemistry: As for EMEP UM

#### **Emissions:**

Outer uses 50 km x 50 km EMEP UM; inner uses NAEI 1 km x 1 km aggregated to 5 km x 5 km, <u>except</u> BVOC is for EMEP UM.

#### **Deposition:**

dry – resistance analogy, wet – scavenging coeffs with 3D rainfall



# Surface temperature (August, Writtle)



### Surface temperature: Model vs Obs



#### Hourly Ozone, Writtle (TORCH), August 2003





#### Surface daily (1-h) maximum ozone 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> August 2003



0 ppb

100 ppb

### 9<sup>th</sup> August: Why are Wicken Fen and London O<sub>3</sub> OK, but Writtle not?



# Attribution of ozone during August 2003

- Series of variants of base run to explore sensitivity to:
  - UK biogenic isoprene emissions (off, x2, x5)
  - UK anthropogenic NOx emissions (x<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>)
  - UK anthropogenic NMVOC emissions (x<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>)
  - Import of O<sub>3</sub> from outside 5 km domain (fix O<sub>3</sub> at boundary to climatology)
  - Dry deposition (off)

### Isoprene, Writtle (TORCH) August 2003



## Change in daily maximum O<sub>3</sub> 6<sup>th</sup> Aug relative to base



# Most of the O<sub>3</sub> at Writtle on 6<sup>th</sup> Aug was imported from EU



# $O_3$ dry deposition and $NO_x$ plume positions important on other days



### EMEP4UK vertical profile of isoprene, Writtle (TORCH) August 2003





### Isoprene, Marylebone Road



# Conclusions(1)

- Ozone during the 2003 heat-wave
  - EMEP4UK reproduces observed O<sub>3</sub> at several sites in SE England 'quite well'
  - Major source: import from continental Europe
  - Different days have different dominant controls on maximum ozone.
    - Import (>~20 ppb of  $O_3$ ) on most days
    - Dry deposition influences O<sub>3</sub> at ~10-20 ppb level
    - Position of NO<sub>x</sub> plumes on specific days crucial
    - Isoprene produces ~0-10 ppb O<sub>3</sub>

# **Conclusions (2)**

- Isoprene
  - EMEP4UK with current emissions simulates  $C_5H_8$  (Writtle & London) to within a factor of ~2
  - Some evidence that emissions should be higher (factor ~2-3)
  - Vertical profile in BL significant (may be relevant for trajectory models?)
  - Anthropogenic component not included in model; also no T-dependence of anth. VOC emissions
  - Model simulates shape of diurnal variation OK (suggests model C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub> oxidation chemistry ~OK?)