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Research and Innovation Needs of SIG4



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Challenges in Air Quality Control

Background / Problem statement:

- 1. Equipment (routine measurements are very expensive, no money for maintenence)
- 2. Many unknown in PM health effects
- **3**. Indoor environment (no thresholds or even guidelines)
- 4. PM monitoring strategy (EC/OC, particle number & mass, PAH?)
- 5. Pollen (automatic monitoring of allergens), biomarkers/lichenoindication
- 6. Agricultural sources (fungai spore, animal material, ammonia), wood stoves
- 7. Assessment of odours



Research Goals in Air Quality Control

Background / Problem statement:

- 1. Long term in relation to routine information and public info
- 2. Micro-sensors supplementary
- 3. Future routine network (sensors)
- 4. Green-route through the city
- 5. PM health effects & source-apportionment
- 6. EC/OC monitoring
- 7. Dust models
- 8. Indoor environment



Priority Innovation Requirements in Air Quality Control

Background / Problem statement:

- 1. Future routine network
- 2. Health prices (exposure limits?)
- 3. Many unknown in PM health effects
- 4. Indoor environment (no thresholds or even guidelines, formaldehyde?)
- 5. PM monitoring strategy mass & number limits
- 6. Limits for another species (e.g. ammonia)



CONCLUSIONS

Suggested R&I Needs for future research to Action WGs/SIGs General Assembly

- 1. Link PM health effects to specific constituents.
- 2. Investigation of PM morphology (e.g. SEM-EDX) it's relation to fibrosis.
- 3. Price of health, improved strategies for economical assessment of air pollution.
- Establishing EU guidelines for indoor air quality (references values?) review of existing situation in Europe; establishing indoor (AQ) index.
- 5. Exposure index, public information.

