



**European Network on New Sensing Technologies for Air
Pollution Control and Environmental Sustainability - *EuNetAir*
COST Action TD1105**

**Examples of applications of sensors-systems for urban
air quality monitoring in France**



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Overview of urban AQC in FRANCE: legislation

In FRANCE, everybody has the rights to inhale an air that does not affect his health and to be informed about the air quality he breathes

⇒ **Law on Air and the Rational Use of Energy**

Law n°96-1236 of December, 30th 1996, Official Journal L220-1, January 1st 1997.

↳ Codified by the French Environment code

↳ 18 decrees by law application

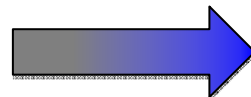
Duties:

Air Quality Monitoring

Quality objectives definition

Public information

National policy implementation
about monitoring, prevention
and information on the air



*Ecology, Sustainable
Development
and Energy Ministry*



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Overview of urban AQC in FRANCE: organization



26 associations, accredited for Air Quality control (AASQA)

- ⇒ Air quality monitoring & information
- ⇒ Dissemination of results & forecasting
- ⇒ Local authorities information

Scientific support :

LCSQA

(Central Laboratory for Air Quality monitoring)



Monitored pollutants & recommendations

European directives



French rules

Pollutant	Limit value	Quality Objective	Information threshold	Alert threshold	Critical level	Target Value
NO ₂	40 µg/m ³ (year) 200 µg/m ³ (hour)	40 µg/m ³ (year)	200 µg/m ³ (hour)	400 µg/m ³ (during 3 hours)		
NO _x					30 µg/m ³ (year)	
SO ₂	125 µg/m ³ (year) 350 µg/m ³ (hour)	50 µg/m ³ (year)	300 µg/m ³ (hour)	400 µg/m ³ (during 3 hours)	20 µg/m ³ (year)	
CO	10 000 µg/m ³ (daily maximum during 8 hours)					
O ₃		120 µg/m ³ (daily maximum during 8 hours)	180 µg/m ³ (hour)	240 µg/m ³ (hour)		120 µg/m ³ (daily maximum during 8 hours)
C ₆ H ₆	5 µg/m ³ (year)	2 µg/m ³ (year)				
PM 10	40 µg/m ³ (year) 50 µg/m ³ (hour)	30 µg/m ³ (year)	50 µg/m ³ (day)	80 µg/m ³ (day)		
PM 2.5	27 µg/m ³ (year)	10 µg/m ³ (year)	20 µg/m ³ (year)			

Directive 2008/50/CE of European Parliament and Council - may 21th 2008; decree n°2010-1250 21 oct 2010



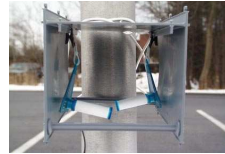
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French Environmental Code (articles R221-1 to R221-3)

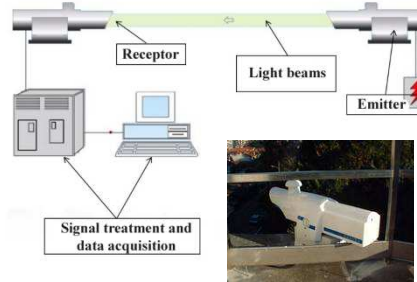
AQC network facilities



Analizers



Passive sampling



*DOAS**



*TEOM***



Beta gauge

Gaseous pollutant monitoring

PM measurement

(Source: Atmo Aquitaine –FRANCE)



AQC facilities (Source: AirParif –FRANCE)

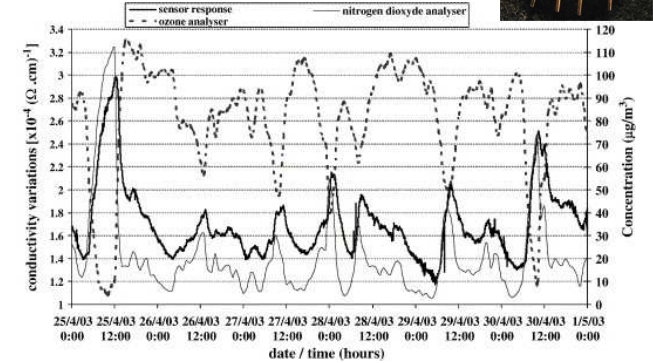
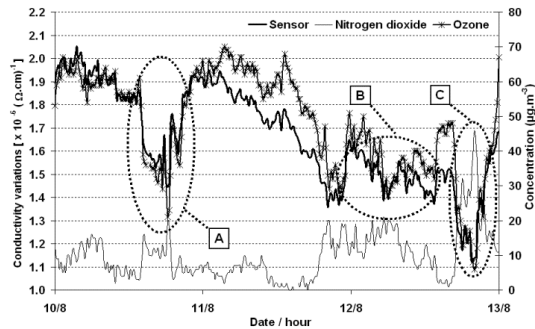
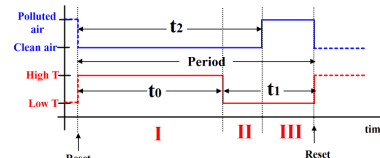
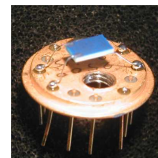
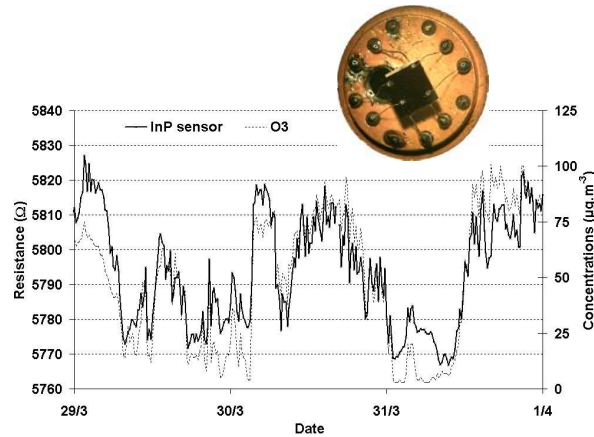
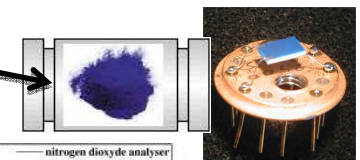
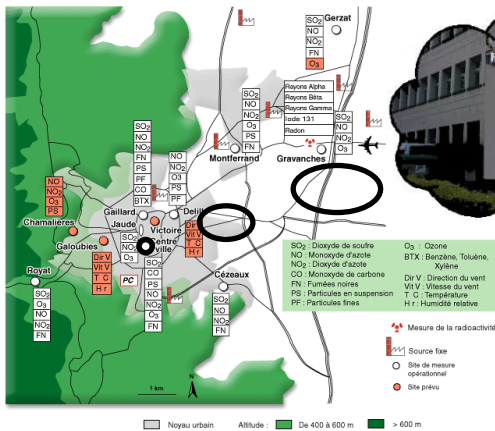
* *Differential Optical Absorption Spectroscopy*

** *Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance*

Gas sensors for urban AQIC: our experience

AQIC station : sensors vs analyzers

↳ Collaboration with Atmo Auvergne



O₃ monitoring

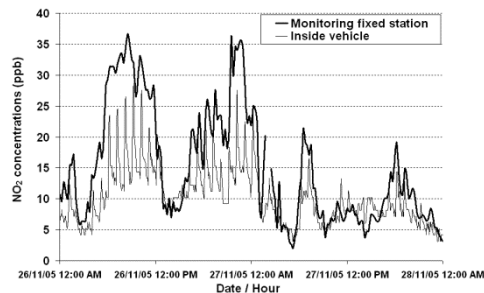
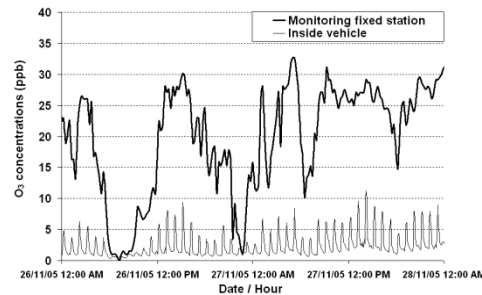
NO₂ monitoring

Gas sensors for urban AQIC: our experience

Pollution measurements in urban bus

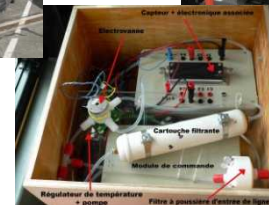
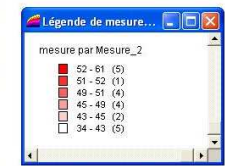


Preliminary investigations



**NO₂
predominant !**

Sensor measurements



Underestimated passenger exposure by AQIC stations

Gas sensors for urban AQC: marketing study

⇒ Consecutive to our patent deposition

N°: FR 08 03006

N°: PCT/FR2009/000612

Date : 02/06/2008

Date : 27/05/2009

Use of carbon nanomaterial as a filtration material impervious to O₃

Marketing Study about Gas Microsensors for Air Quality Control



Gas sensors for urban AQC: marketing study

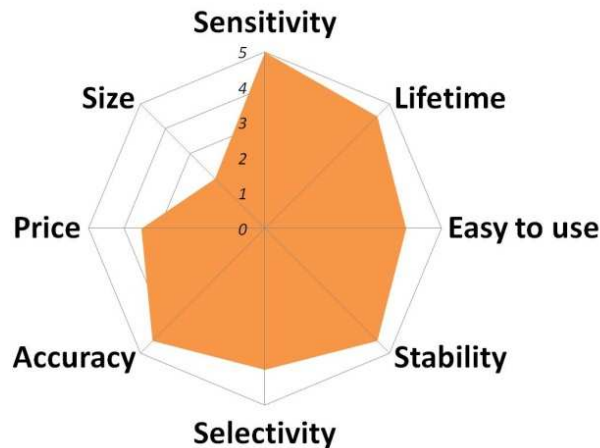
Outdoor (AQC network)

Application: pollution monitoring in urban conditions

Evolution: additional solutions complementary to analyzers
Specific campaigns of measurements



Expected characteristics



Guidelines:

1. Price = 5€ / sensor
= 100-1000€ max
with electronic unit
2. Selectivity
3. Lifetime
4. Certification required 9

Gas sensors for urban AQC: marketing study

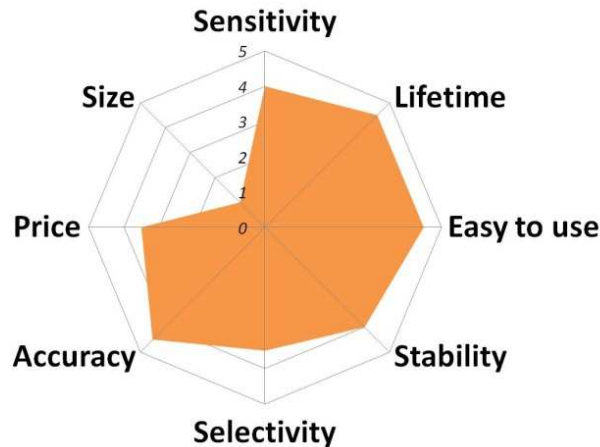
In confined environment (park, tunnel...)

Application: pollution monitoring for air extraction control

Evolution: Substitution or additional solutions to analyzers
Secure work areas



Expected characteristics



Guidelines:

1. Price = 5€ / sensor
= 1000€ max
for autonomous system
2. Sensor lifetime

Gas sensors for urban AQC: marketing study

Automotive industry (passenger compartment)

Application: CO and NO₂ monitoring for driver security (Renault)

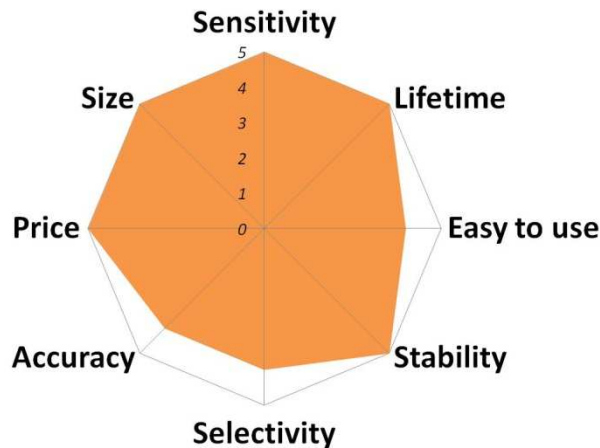
Evolution: option extended to all cars (Renault)



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Expected characteristics



Guidelines:

1. Price = 5€ / sensor
2. Small size
3. Sensor lifetime = car lifetime
4. Fast response



Gas sensors for french urban AQC : conclusions

- **Good opportunities with AQC Associations**
 - ⇒ in agreement with specifications
 - ⇒ previous experiences with microsensors
 - ⇒ **certification required**
- **Attractive for monitoring in confined environments**
 - ⇒ limited to few pollutants
 - ⇒ **sensor must be competitive / analyzers**
- **Partial interest from Automotive sector**
 - ⇒ already implemented in premium cars
 - ⇒ **low cost devices and dependent from legislation**

Gas sensors for urban AQC in France: outlooks



- ⇒ Some local networks = open to sensors technology
- ⇒ Validation of device in real-conditions
- ⇒ Technological monitoring on microsensors



- ⇒ Open to measurements campaigns with sensors
- ⇒ Technological monitoring on microsensors defined in the Program for Air Quality Monitoring (PSQA)