

HEI Virtual Workshop on Health Applications for Satellite-Derived Air Quality: Opportunities and Potential Pitfalls

Resources

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Recommended Resources to Get Started

If you are new to using satellite-derived air quality data for health applications, we recommend the following resources to get started.

EM Magazine published a special issue on “New Insights in Air Quality Monitoring Using Satellite Data” in September 2021: https://www.awma.org/blog_home.asp?Display=111.

Copernicus is the European Union's Earth observation programme: <https://atmosphere.copernicus.eu/>.

The NASA Health and Air Quality Applied Sciences Team Connects NASA Data and Tools with Health and Air Quality Stakeholders. Information is provided throughout the website, particularly under the Tools and Resources Menu: <https://haqast.org/>.

The NASA Applied Remote Sensing Training (ARSET) provides trainings for beginner and advanced users of satellite data: <https://appliedsciences.nasa.gov/arset>.

US NIEHS workshop on Integrating Multiscale Geospatial Environmental Data into Large Population Health Studies:
https://www.niehs.nih.gov/news/events/pastmtg/2021/dert_geospatial_2021/index.cfm.

Selected Relevant HEI Publications

This is a selection of HEI publications that extensively relied on satellite data for exposure assessment. Publications are freely available at www.healtheffects.org and www.stateofglobalair.org.

Health Effects of Exposure to Air Pollution

Brauer M, Brook JR, Christidis T, Chu Y, Crouse DL, Erickson A, et al. 2019. Mortality–Air Pollution Associations in Low-Exposure Environments (MAPLE): Phase 1. Research Report 203. Boston, MA:Health Effects Institute.

Brunekreef B, Strak M, Chen J, Andersen ZJ, Atkinson R, Bauwelinck M, et al. 2021. Mortality and Morbidity Effects of Long-Term Exposure to Low-Level PM_{2.5}, BC, NO₂, and O₃: An Analysis of European Cohorts in the ELAPSE Project. Research Report 208. Boston, MA:Health Effects Institute.

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Global Burden of Disease

McDuffie E, Martin R, Yin H, Brauer M. 2021. Global Burden of Disease from Major Air Pollution Sources (GBD MAPS): A Global Approach. Research Report 210. Boston, MA:Health Effects Institute.

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Openly Available Data and Tools Shared by Workshop Participants

Here we share some data access and tools shared by workshop participants. Items under our Recommended Resources for Getting Started are not repeated here. This list is intended for informational purposes and is not meant to be comprehensive.

- Aerosol Robotic Network (AERONET): <https://aeronet.gsfc.nasa.gov/>
- Committee on Earth Observation Satellites (CEOS) <https://ceos.org/ourwork/virtual-constellations/acc/>
- Copernicus data catalogue: <https://atmosphere.copernicus.eu/catalogue#/>
- Early adopter programs for upcoming NASA missions
 - Atmosphere Observing System (AOS), <https://aos.gsfc.nasa.gov>
 - Multi-Angle Imager for Aerosols (MAIA), <https://maia.jpl.nasa.gov/>
 - Plankton, Aerosol, Cloud, ocean Ecosystem (PACE): https://pace.oceansciences.org/app_adopters.htm
 - Tropospheric Emissions: Monitoring of Pollution (TEMPO), <https://weather.msfc.nasa.gov/tempo/>
- Geostationary Environment Monitoring Spectrometer (GEMS) data from Korean National Institute of Environmental Research (NIER): <https://nesc.nier.go.kr/product/view>
- Global air quality datasets from the Washington University in St. Louis Atmospheric Composition Analysis Group led by Randall Martin: <https://sites.wustl.edu/acag/datasets/>
- NASA EarthData Health and Air Quality Data Pathfinder: <https://earthdata.nasa.gov/learn/pathfinders/health-and-air-quality-data-pathfinder>
- NASA Worldview: <https://worldview.earthdata.nasa.gov/>
- Surface PARTiculate mAtter Network (SPARTAN): <https://www.spartan-network.org/data>
- TROPOspheric Monitoring Instrument (TROPOMI): <http://www.tropomi.eu/data-products> for all and www.tropomino2.us for the United States only

Articles Recommended by Workshop Participants

Here we share some publications shared by workshop participants. This list is intended for informational purposes and is not meant to be comprehensive. It also does not include all references cited by the presenters, so interested parties are recommended to also view specific presentations for detailed information on a subtopic of interest.

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