

# CAMS National Collaboration Programme: NCP Iceland



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## WHAT IS CAMS NCP?

- **CAMS National Collaboration Programme** is an initiative of ECMWF (The European Centre for Medium-range Weather Forecasts) endorsed by the European Commission to:
  - enhance collaboration at national level
  - support EU Member States and participating Countries in extracting the maximum benefit from CAMS products and services during the implementation of their mandate
  - support national institutions to improve their uptake and use of CAMS products in support of air quality, pollen and dust monitoring objectives and in further phases, providing support to climate mitigation actions via monitoring and verification of CO<sub>2</sub> and other GHG emissions
  - the CAMS NCP programme runs until 2027 with tangible actions co-designed with national institutes in a thoroughly collaborative spirit





## **CAMS products:**

- Regional (Europe) products
- Global products (troposphere and stratosphere)
- Supplementary products
- Emissions datasets from inventories
- Emissions datasets based on satellite detection
- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions service element

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- Communication about CAMS at national level





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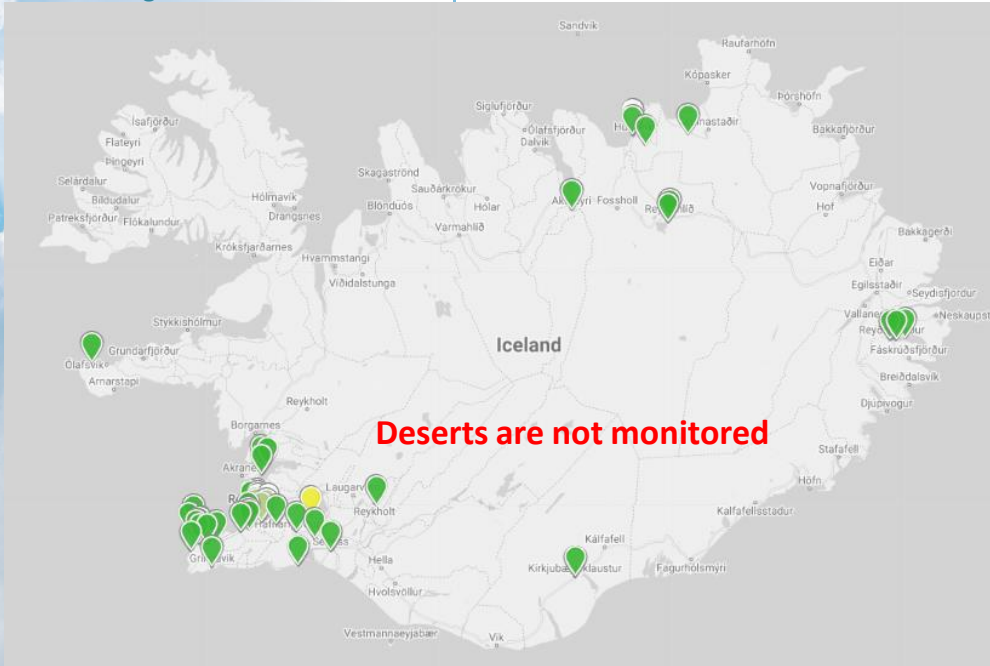
# WHY NCP ICELAND?



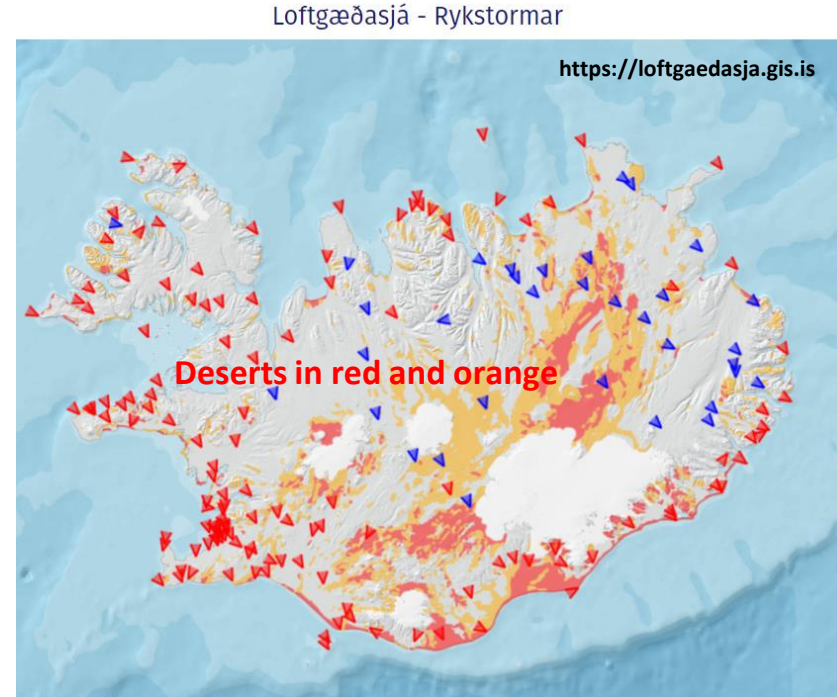


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# Air Quality monitoring stations in Iceland



Environmental Agency of Iceland, loftgaedi.is



CAMS NCP – Iceland, an interactive map in preparation

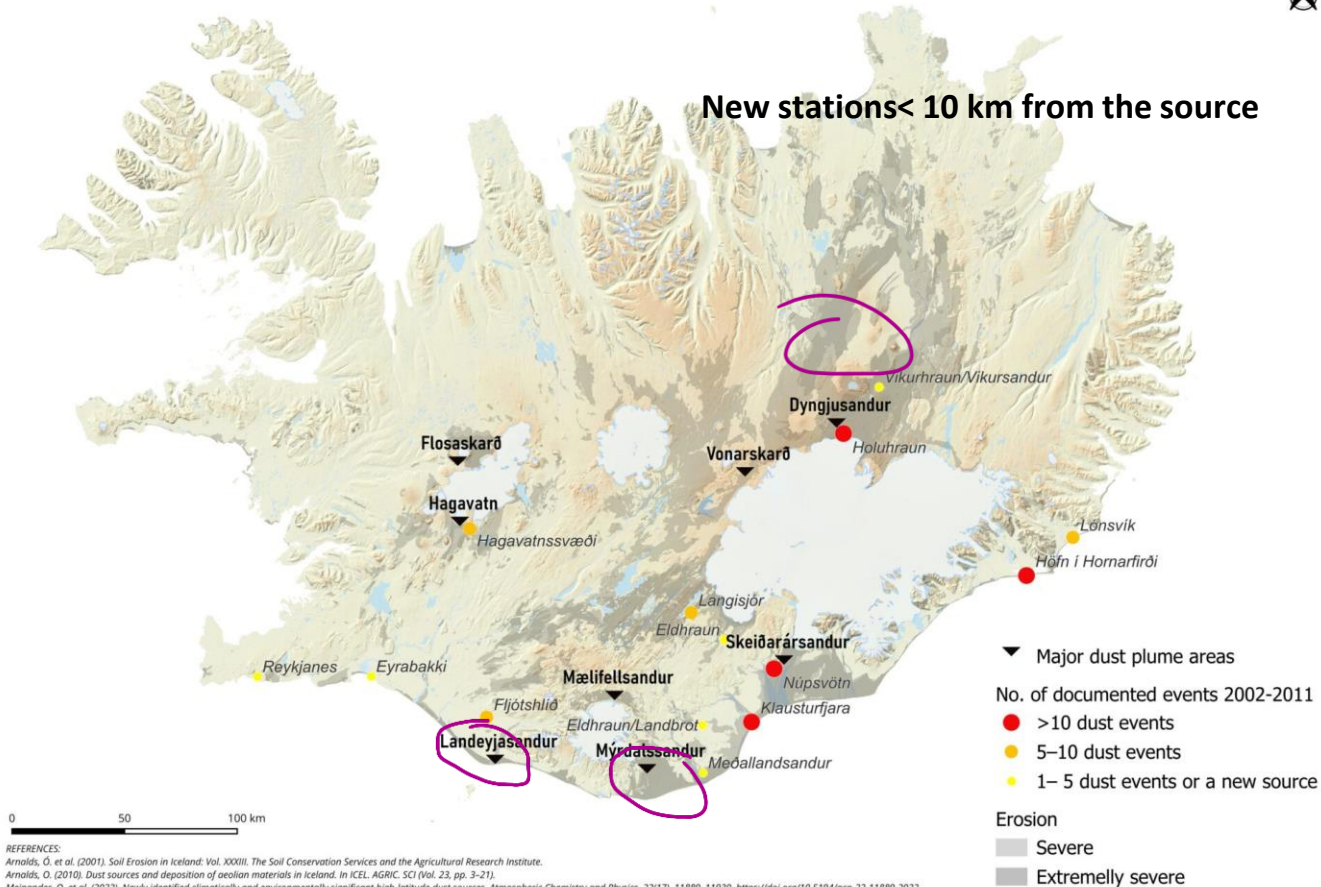
**PM measurements mainly in Reykjavik and Akureyri, far from the deserts  
-> Iceland scores as one of the cleanest air country in Europe**



# Three new monitoring stations established in vicinity of the deserts



New stations < 10 km from the source



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- **Monitoring Enhancement:** Strengthen the PM mass concentration monitoring network in Iceland, providing a comprehensive overview of air quality.
- **Product Improvement:** Support enhancements to CAMS products, addressing the unique challenges of HLD forecasting regions.



## Collaboration & Awareness:

- **Stakeholder Collaboration:** Facilitate CAMS-focused meetings with stakeholders in Iceland, fostering a deeper understanding and collaboration in the Arctic region.
- **Public Awareness Campaign:** Utilize CAMS to educate the Icelandic community about PM-related air quality concerns, aligning with the project's vision of elevating public awareness.
- **Effective Communication:** Strategically disseminate project results to optimize the adoption and utilization of CAMS products in the Arctic.

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- **Research Promotion:** Introduce and endorse CAMS tools/products in Iceland, with a future spotlight on monitoring gaseous air pollutants and greenhouse gases.





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## Key Deliverables

### Monitoring & Data:

- Monitoring stations network
- PM concentration dataset

### Validation & Tools:

- Verification tools setup & demo
- CAMS data validation & assessment

### Web Platforms:

- Integrated CAMS & in-situ data web app
- Project website

### Training & Reports:

- Training materials & national reports
- Communication reports





- ESTABLISHED MONITORING STATION NETWORK
- CAMS User Engagement Workshop as part of the 8<sup>th</sup> High Latitude Dust Workshop
- CAMS WORKSHOP
- Established website for CAMS NCP Iceland
- Set up first verification tools – in-situ, CAMS and DREAM\_Iceland data
- Draft for Integrated CAMS & in-situ data web app



# New dust station network

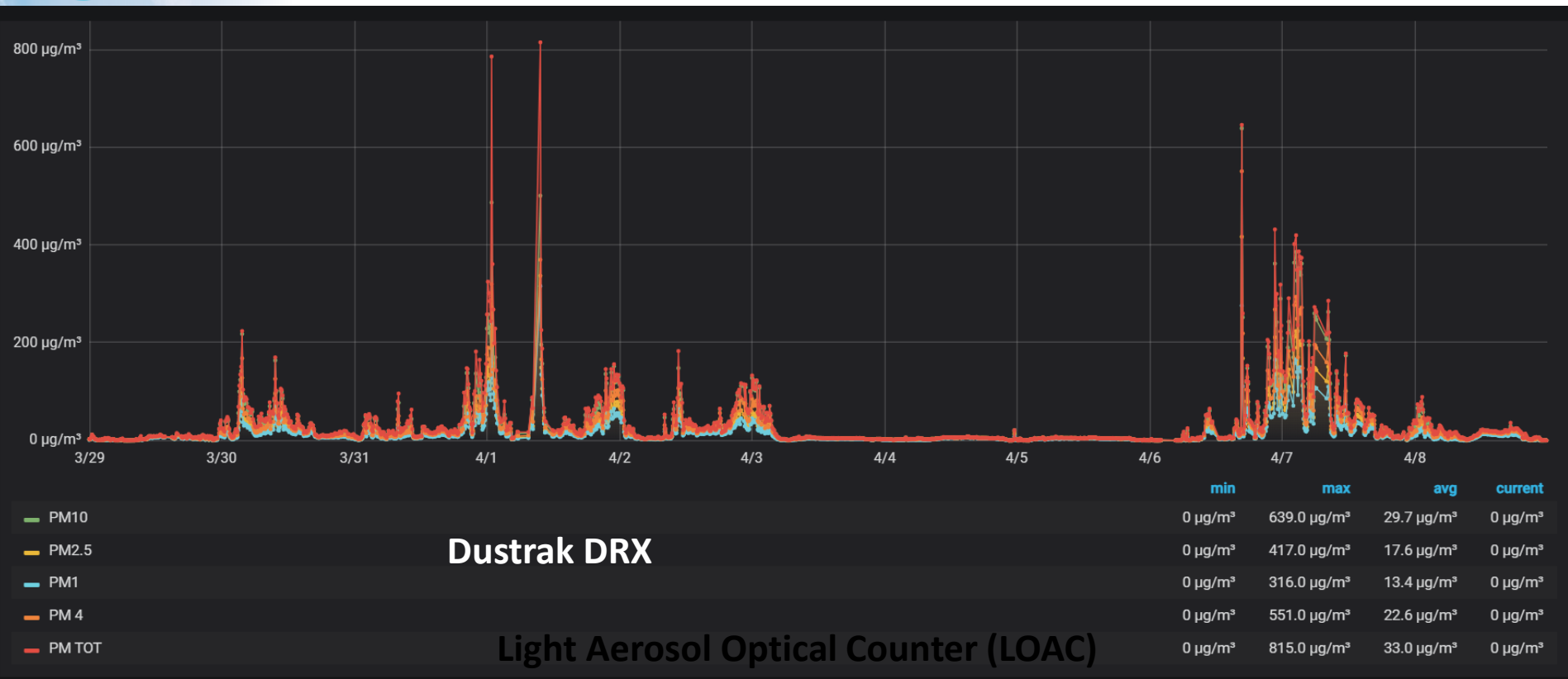


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- ▼ Major dust plume areas
- No. of documented events 2002-2011
- >10 dust events
- 5–10 dust events
- 1– 5 dust events or a new source
- Erosion
- Severe
- Extremely severe



# Example of data: Early April 2024 data Mýrar – S Iceland



Dustrak DRX

Light Aerosol Optical Counter (LOAC)



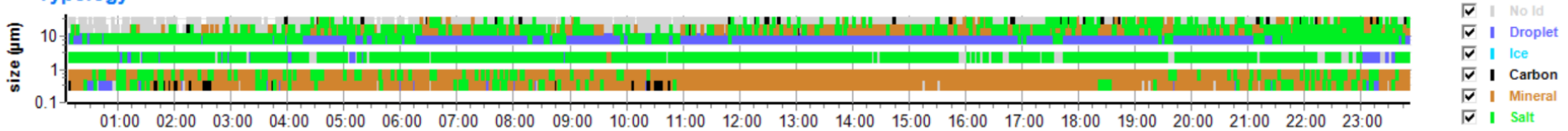
For preliminary data see here: <https://ice-dust.com/copernicus/cams-ncp-iceland/>



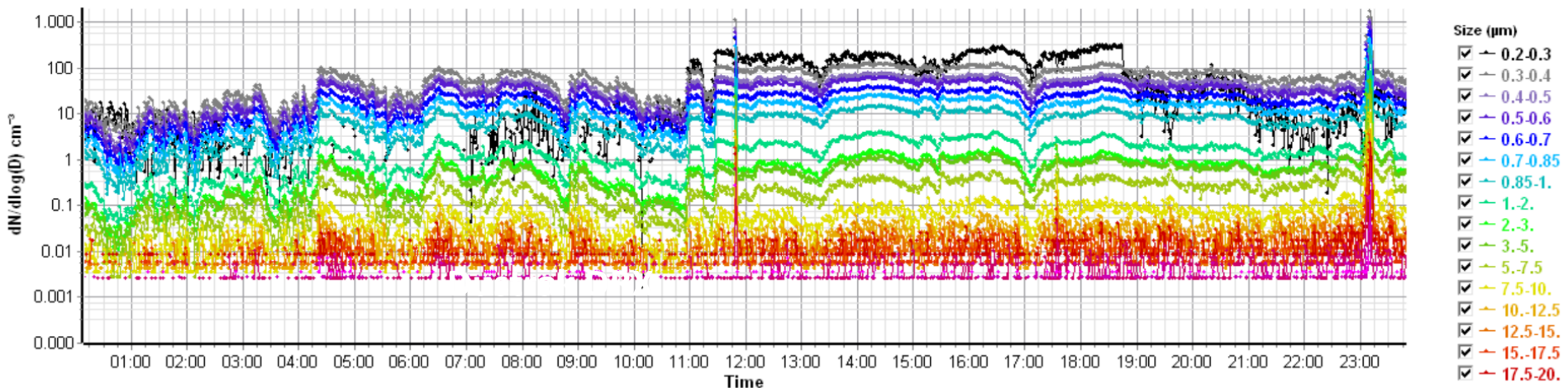
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## Typology



## Concentration Profile



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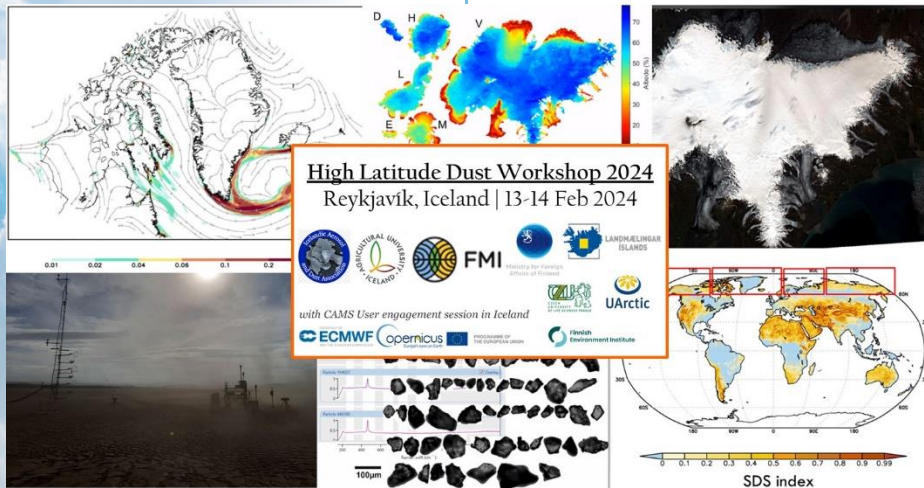
Number of raw measurements:8618





# WORKSHOPS WITH STAKEHOLDERS

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**Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service**

## User engagement workshop with the user community in Iceland

14 February 2024, 13:00 - 16:30 CET  
Reykjavik, Iceland (hybrid)



<https://atmosphere.copernicus.eu/cams-user-engagement-workshop-user-community-iceland>  
[www.ice-dust.com](http://www.ice-dust.com)  
[www.icedustblog.wordpress.com](http://www.icedustblog.wordpress.com)



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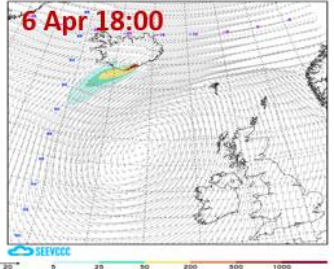
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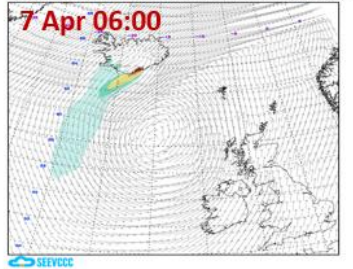


# DREAM model for Iceland

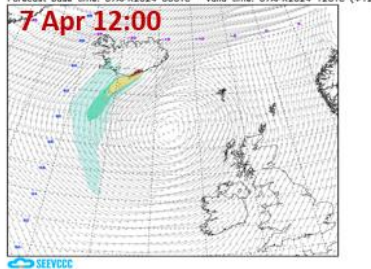
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Forecast base time: 06APR2024 00UTC Valid time: 06APR2024 18UTC



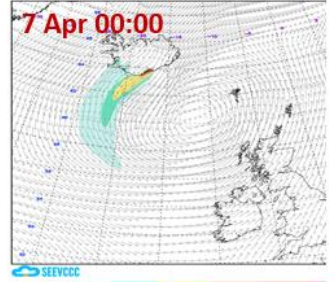
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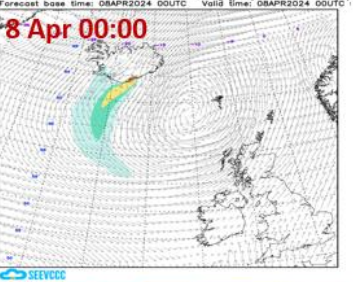
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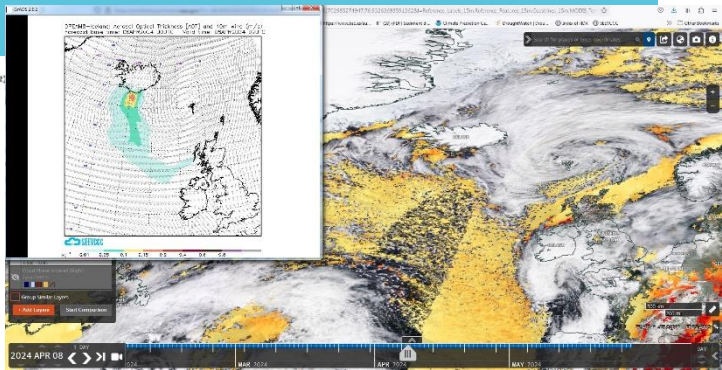
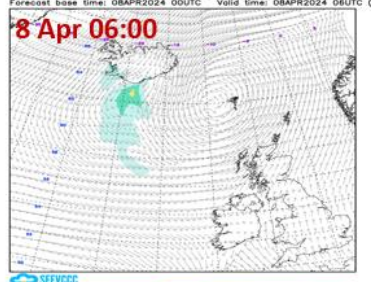
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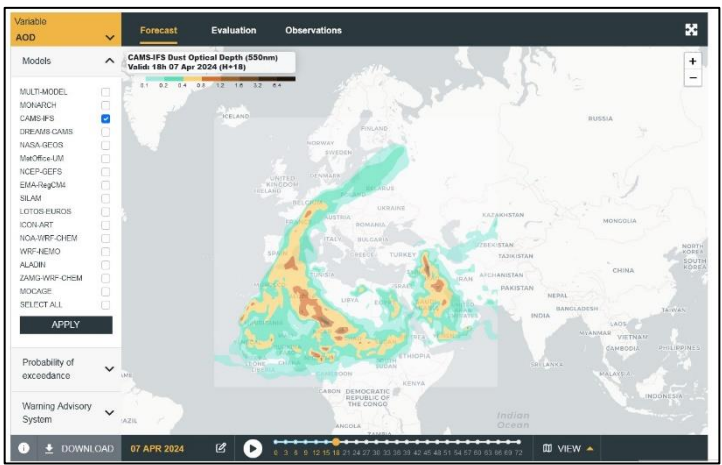


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### DREAM vs. MODIS

## CAMS dust prediction 7 April 18:00



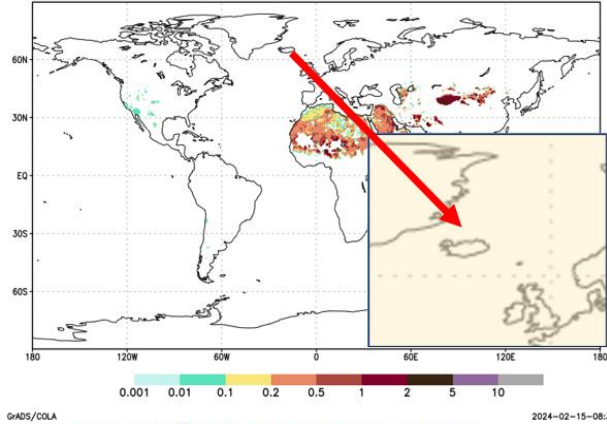
**DREAM\_Iceland** - operational dust forecast model based on the Icelandic dust hot-spot emissivity classes (Cvetkovic et al., 2022)  
<http://dustforecast.lbhi.is/desktop.html>  
<https://sds-was.aemet.es/forecast-products/dust-forecasts/icelandic-dust-forecast> (under WMO SDS WAS)



# CAMS vs. DREAM dust prediction complementarity

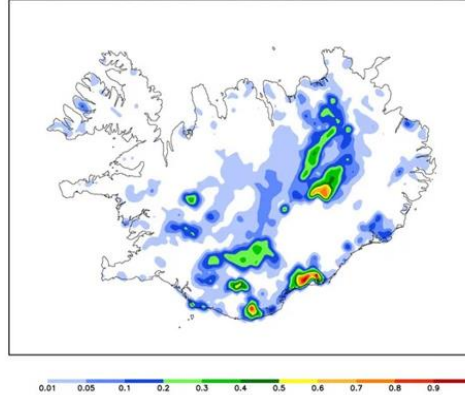
## ECMWF and DREAM dust sources

ecmdmask Apr



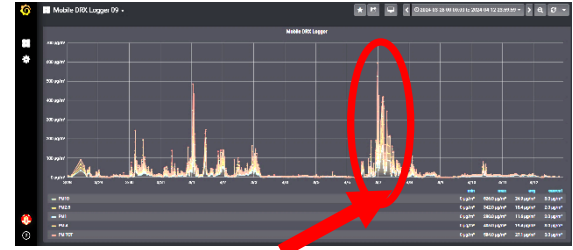
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NO DUST sources in Iceland

Dust hotspots and other sources in model grid

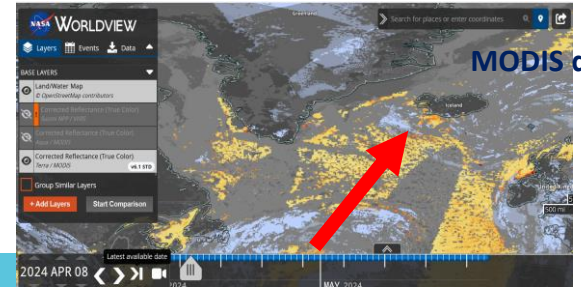


DREAM model horizontal resolution: 0.05 degrees  
FINE-SCALE dust sources in Iceland

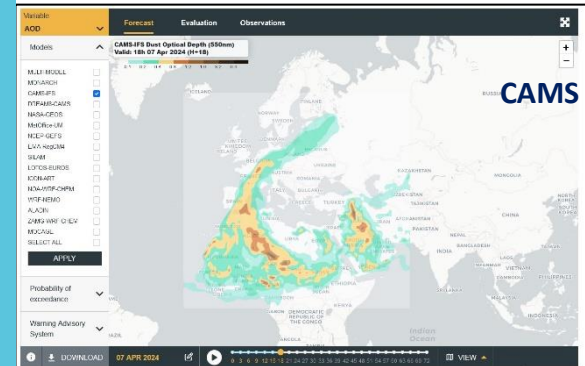
## 7-8 April 2024 extreme dust episode



7-8 April 2024



8 April 2024



CAMS dust

- PM data from the established in situ stations are used for validation and evaluation of CAMS and DREAM model predictions (high agreement: DREAM + PM observations).

- Challenges**

CAMS AQ predictions do not include dust sources in Iceland. The two modelling systems, CAMS and DREAM to be used in a complementary manner (CAMS: long range transport from non-Icelandic sources, DREAM: Icelandic dust sources + long range transport).

- Recommendation**

Implement DREAM+SILAM dust forecasts to regional forecasts. The in situ PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub> will be used to specify ratio between dust and non-dust concentrations using DREAM conc.





# Communication activities to increase CAMS' public awareness in Iceland

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- CAMS NCP Iceland website  
<https://ice-dust.com/copernicus/>

- Interactive map website  
<https://loftgaedasja.gis.is/mapview/?application=loftgaedasja>

Work in progress

The screenshot shows the IceDust website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with 'About Us', 'Copernicus', 'Data & Apps', and 'Resources'. Below this, there are sub-menus for 'Copernicus', 'AMM', 'CAMS NCP', 'CAMS NCP Iceland', and 'Health Hub'. A search bar and utility icons are also present. The main content area features a large banner for 'Operational forecasts of Icelandic dust' with a 'See More' button. Below the banner, there is a section for 'Upcoming' events, listing 'Copernicus Land Workshop 2024' and 'Copernicus Marine Workshop 2024'.

<https://ice-dust.com/events>



- Copernicus website for NCP Iceland website  
<https://atmosphere.copernicus.eu/iceland>

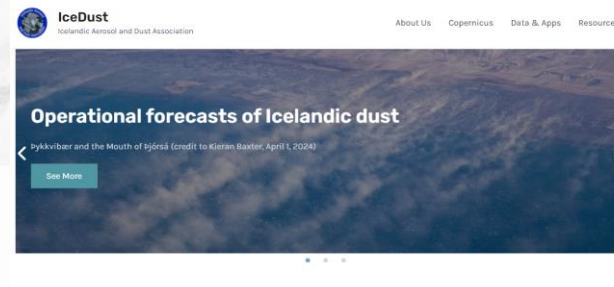




# HOW CAN NCP ICELAND HELP YOU?

- WHAT KIND OF DATA AND INFO ON AIR POLLUTION DO YOU NEED?  
Let us know through a dedicated [Survey](#)
- USE AND DISSEMINATE THE OUTCOMES OF THE NCP ICELAND:
  - Interactive map website
  - <https://loftgaedasja.gis.is/>
- FOLLOW US ON THE ICE-DUST WEBSITE:
  - <https://ice-dust.com/>
  - 9<sup>TH</sup> HLD Workshop on 12-13.2.2025
  - FB group Dust storms in Iceland

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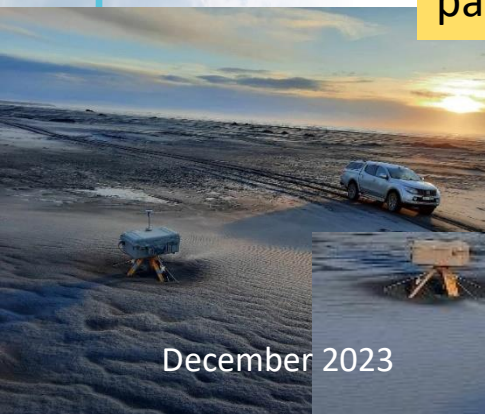


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