

NERC ADVANCED TRAINING

UKCA Theory and Practice *Welcome*

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Outline

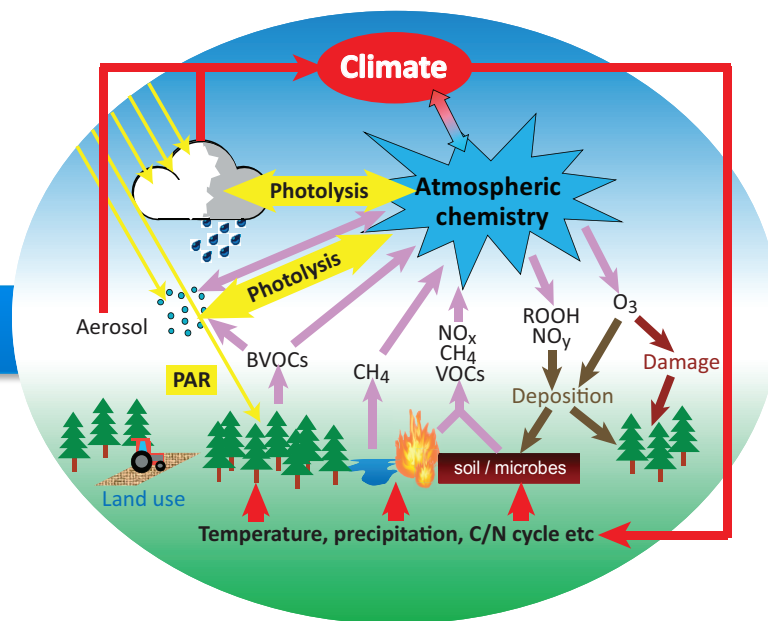
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What is UKCA?

- UKCA is a Climate-Chemistry-Aerosol model, built as a sub-model of the Met Office's Unified Model (UM).
- UKCA is not a *particular* collection of chemistry and aerosol schemes, but is a **framework** for putting chemistry and aerosol schemes into the UM.



Unified Model



UKCA

What can I do with UKCA?

- UKCA was originally designed to run for long integrations covering decadal to centennial timescales, but it can also be used for air-quality forecasts
- A number of different chemistry schemes currently exist in the model, covering the troposphere and the stratosphere
 - These schemes are provided because the UKCA developers have wanted to use them for a particular purpose. If they don't suit your needs then you can add to or change them.
- One aim of the UKCA Practicals is to teach new UKCA users how to do this

Course Information

- All up-to-date information regarding the course can be found at www.ukca.ac.uk/wiki/index.php/UKCA_Training_January_2016
- Lunches and tea/coffee will be outside the Unilever Lecture Theatre
- Accommodation is in Homerton College, with evening meals in the Great Hall
- Thursday evening will be the Workshop Dinner, with drinks from 6.30pm
- There will be a group photo on the Friday Lunchtime (12.45), at the back of the Todd-Hamied meeting room (opposite Foyer from the G30 computer room)

Schedule

| Time | Monday 5th January | Tuesday 6th January | Wednesday 7th January | Thursday 8th January | Friday 9th January |
|---------------|------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| 9am | Registration | Tracer Transport <i>Nigel Wood</i> | Earth System Modelling <i>Fiona O'Connor</i> | Wet Scavenging <i>Zak Kipling</i> | Experimental Design <i>Paul Young</i> |
| 9.45 | Welcome <i>Luke Abraham</i> | <i>Break</i> | <i>Break</i> | <i>Break</i> | <i>Break</i> |
| 10am | Emissions <i>Alex Archibald</i> | Chemical Solver <i>Oliver Wild</i> | Dry Deposition <i>David Stevenson</i> | Heterogeneous Chemistry <i>Paul Griffiths</i> | Experimental Design <i>Paul Young</i> |
| 10.45 | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> |
| 11.15 | GLOMAP-mode <i>Graham Mann</i> | Photolysis <i>Apostolos Voulgarakis</i> | RADAER <i>Nicolas Bellouin</i> | ACTIVATE <i>Zak Kipling</i> | Experimental Design <i>Paul Young</i> |
| 12noon | <i>Lunch & Posters</i> | <i>Lunch & Posters</i> | <i>Lunch & Posters</i> | <i>Lunch & Posters</i> | <i>Lunch & Group Photo (12.45)</i> |
| 1pm | Practicals | Practicals | Practicals | Practicals | Practicals |
| 2pm | | | | | |
| 3pm | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> | <i>Tea/Coffee</i> |
| 3.30pm | Practicals | Practicals | Practicals | Practicals | <i>close</i> |
| 4pm | | | | | |
| 5pm | | | | | |
| 5.30pm | <i>close</i> | <i>close</i> | <i>close</i> | <i>close & Drinks and Dinner from 6.30pm</i> | |

Practicals

- The Practicals will take place in the G30 computer room, near the main entrance to the Department.
- These will cover using the Unified Model User Interface (UMUI) rather than the new Rose GUI
 - When UKCA jobs using Rose are ready for general release, a Rose version of these practicals will be developed
- Tea/Coffee will be outside the Unilever Lecture Theatre from 3pm
 - Note that food and drink is not allowed in G30.

Next Steps

- After completing this course, you should be confident to use and adapt UKCA for your planned research
- The UKCA release job RJ4.0 is a very similar configuration to the tutorial job
- More information on this configuration can be found here:

http://www.ukca.ac.uk/wiki/index.php/Release_Job_RJ4.0

**We hope you enjoy the UKCA Theory and
Practice Workshop**