Integrating Climate Techniques and Models to Explore New Avenues in Environmental Epidemiology

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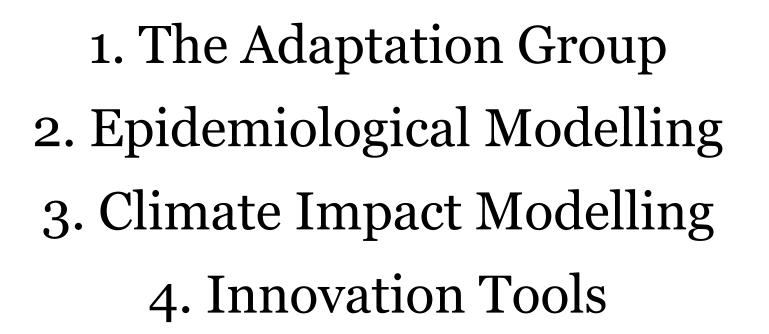


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Who is adapting to climate change? *Why?* >> *Social Drivers of Adaptation Inequalities*

A.

B.

Can we increase this adaptation? *How?* >> **Predictability** of Early Warning Systems

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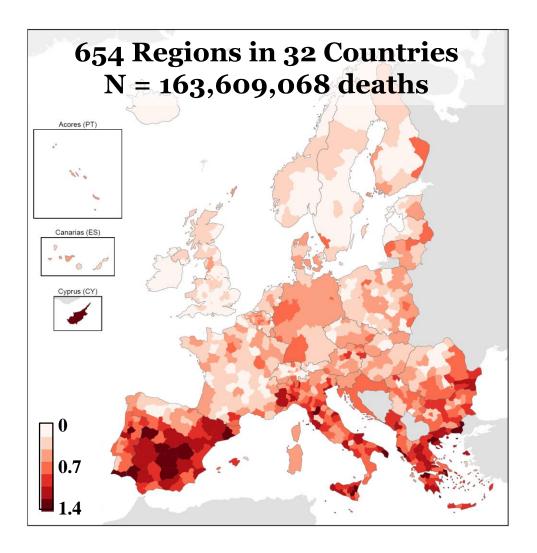
Interdisciplinary research between:

- <u>Climate</u>: dynamics, modelling, forecasting, change, attribution;
- *Epidemiology*: environment, vulnerability, adaptation;
- **Social sciences**: drivers, socioeconomics, ageing, inequalities;
- Innovation: disease forecasting, early warning systems.

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EARLY-ADAPT Database





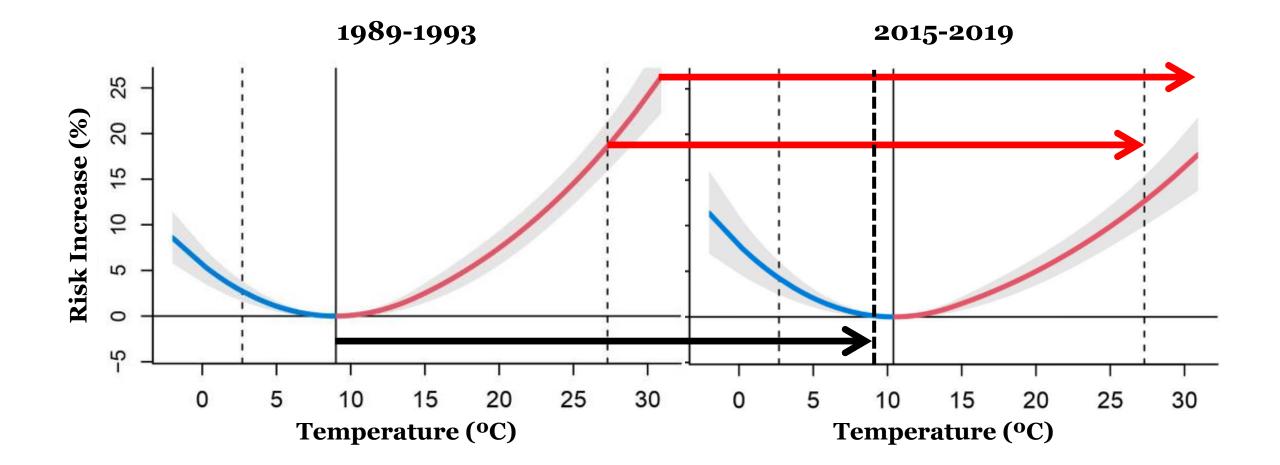
- 5 Health Outcomes:
- Mortality
- Morbidity
- Occupational Accidents
- Motor Vehicle Accidents
- Births

For **Mortality** (*Europe / Other Continents*):

- Daily Data for 20-50 Years
- By Age, Sex and Cause of Death
- Regions: 700+ / 200+
- Municipalities: 59000+ / 10000+
- Population: 500M+ / 400M+
- Data Providers: 60+

EARLY-ADAPT Changes in Occupational Accidents





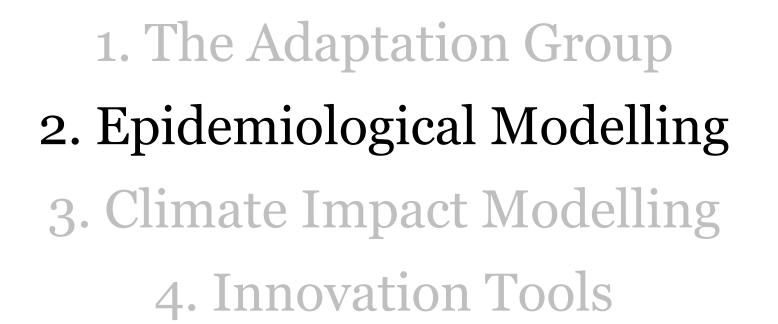
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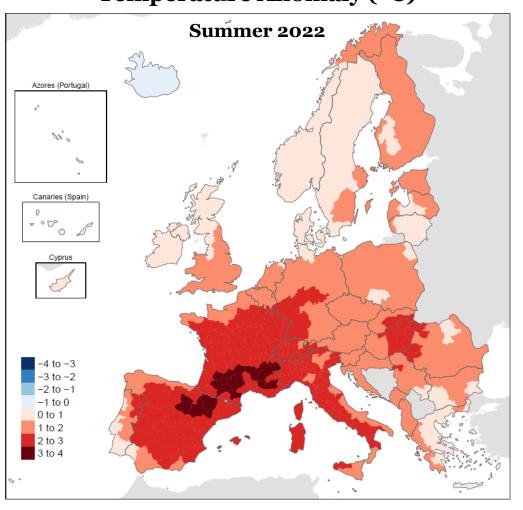
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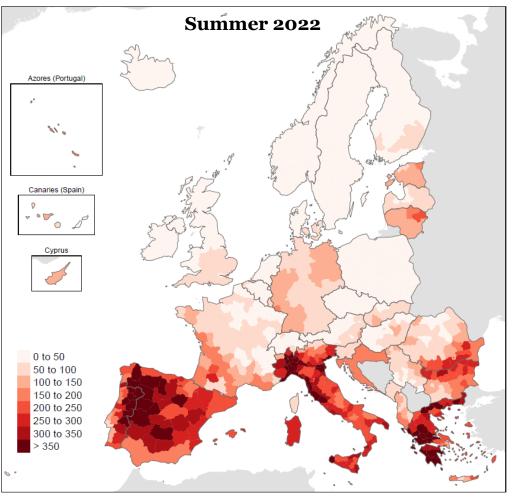


Temporally Aggregated Data





Heat Related Mortality (deaths / million)



van Daalen et al. *The Lancet Public Health* (2022) van Daalen et al. *The Lancet Public Health* (2024) Ballester et al. *Nature Medicine* (2023) Gallo et al. *Nature Medicine* (2024)

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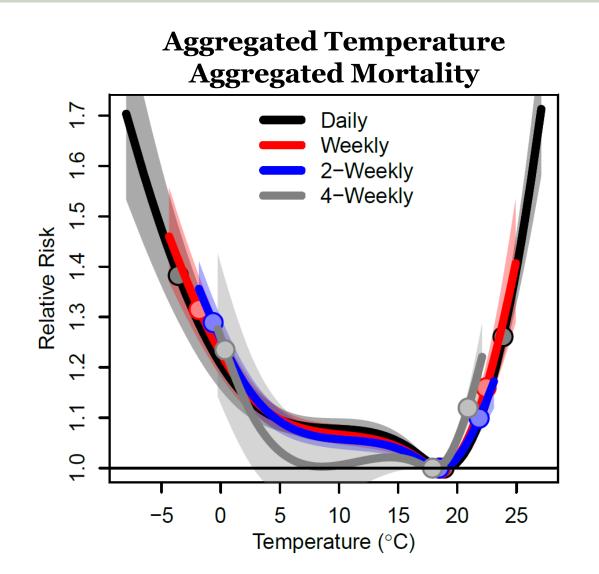
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Previous Approach





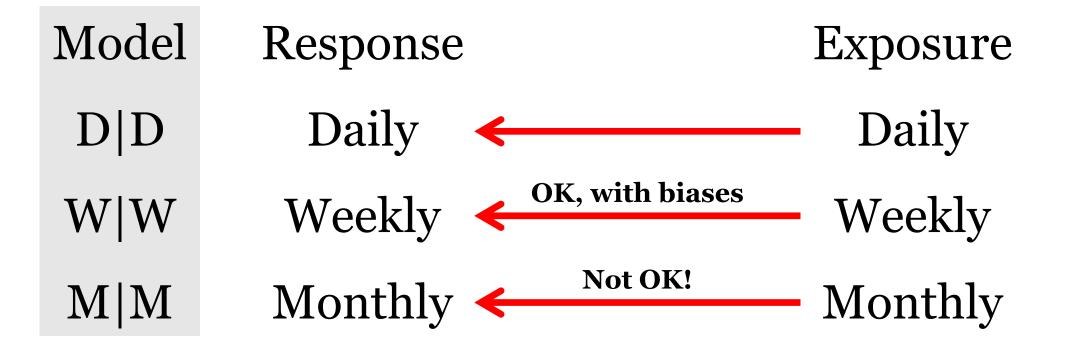
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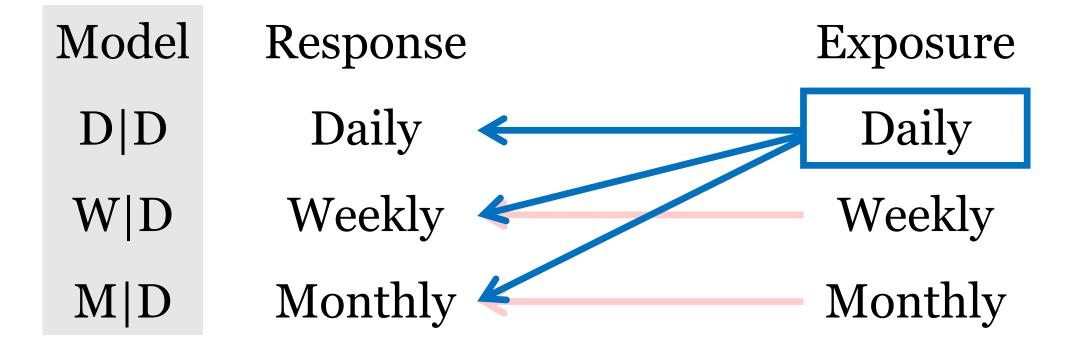
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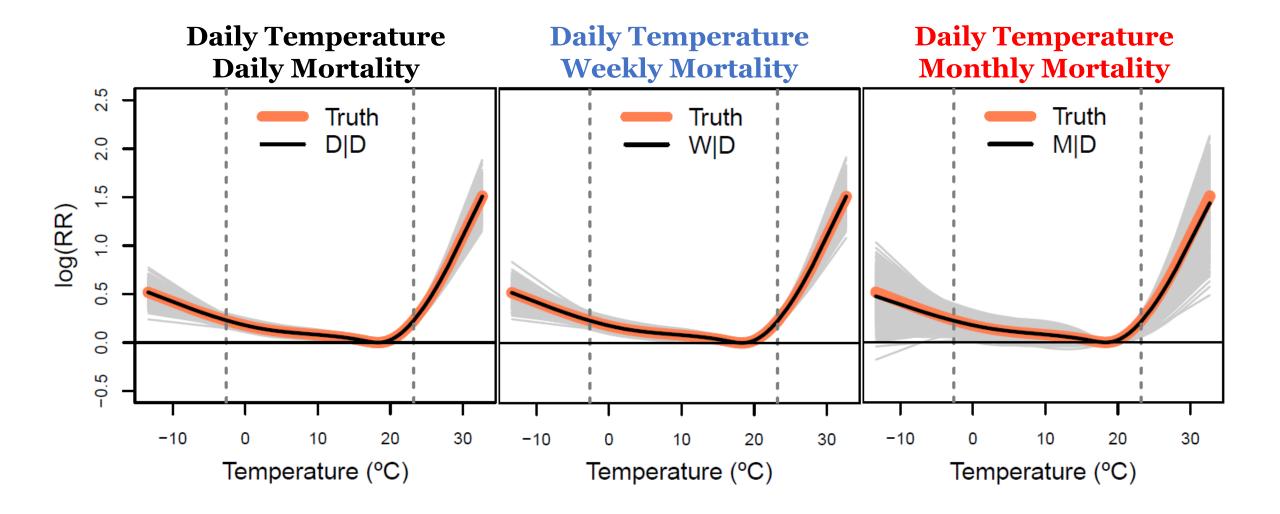
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Unbiased Estimates





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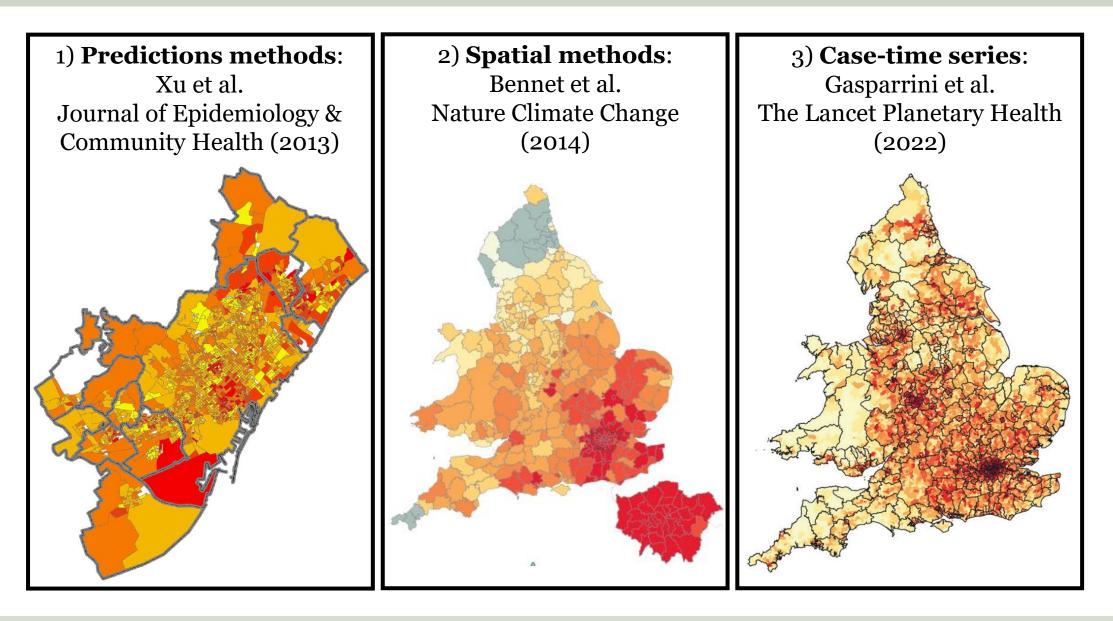
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Small-Area Analysis





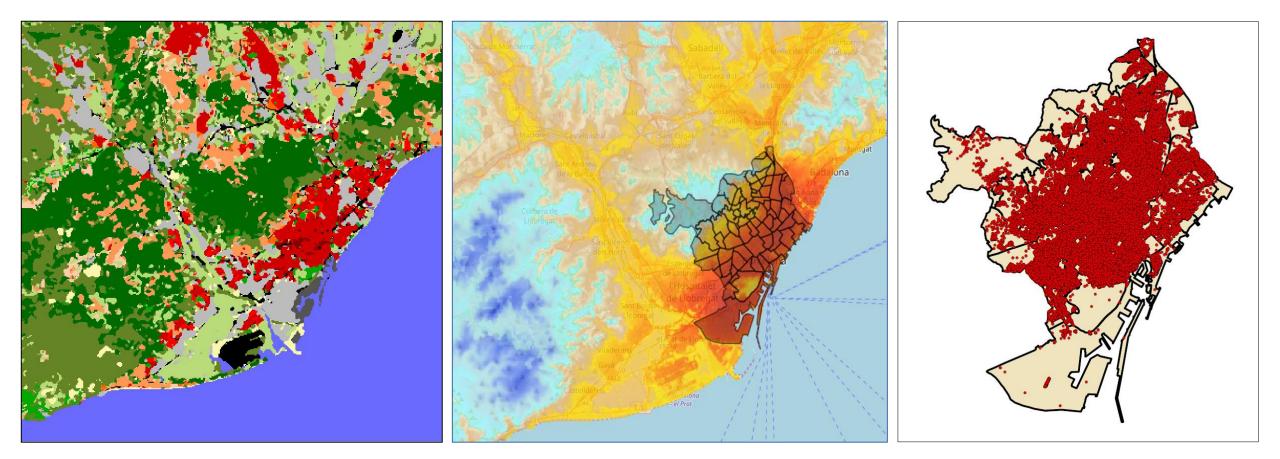
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Urban Climate Modelling





Land Use Map based on Local Climate Zones Temperature at 100m *from Urban Climate Model*

Deaths from Individual Records

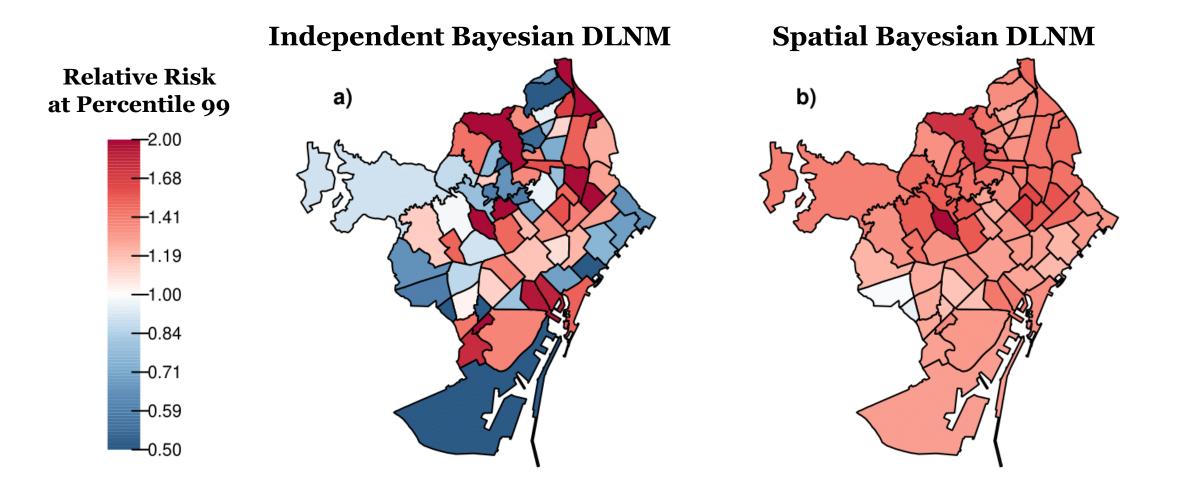
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Spatial Bayesian DLNM

DLNM = Distributed Lag Nonlinear Model



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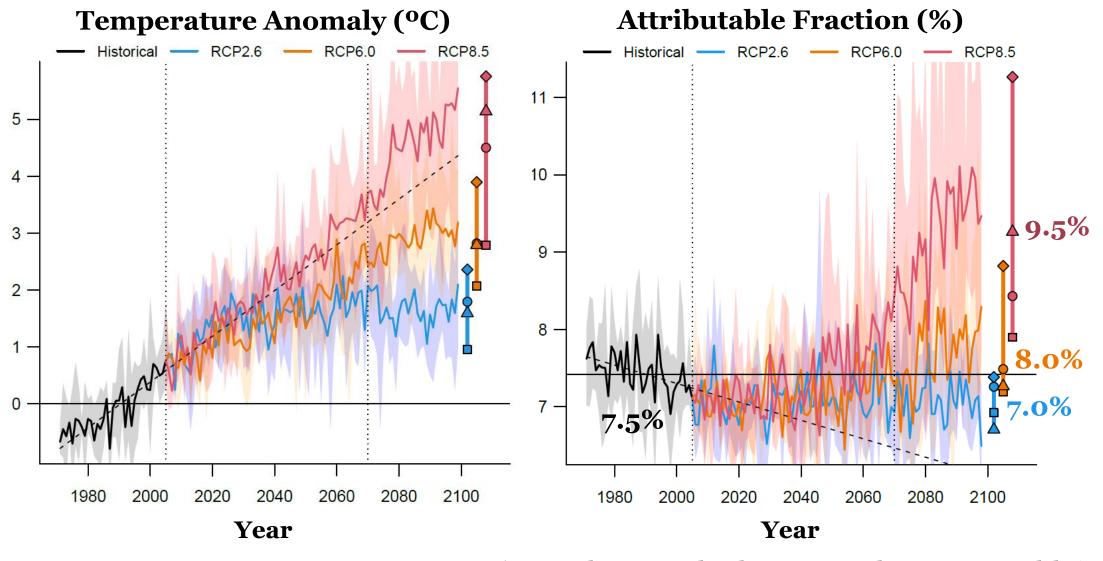
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EARLY-ADAPT Climate Change Impact Projections



Martínez-Solanas et al. *The Lancet Planetary Health* (2021)

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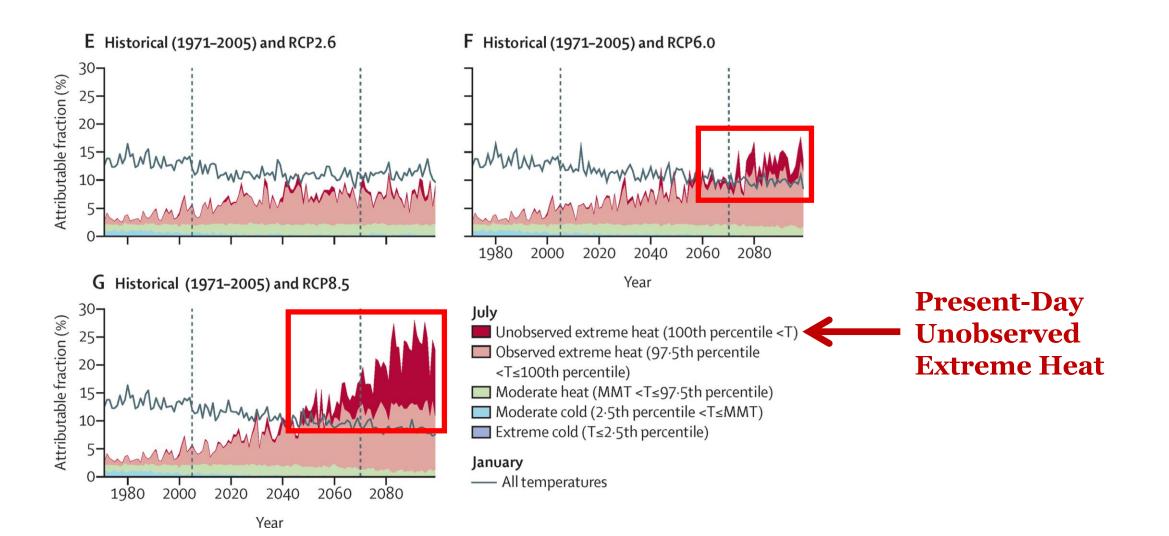
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Unobserved Extreme Heat



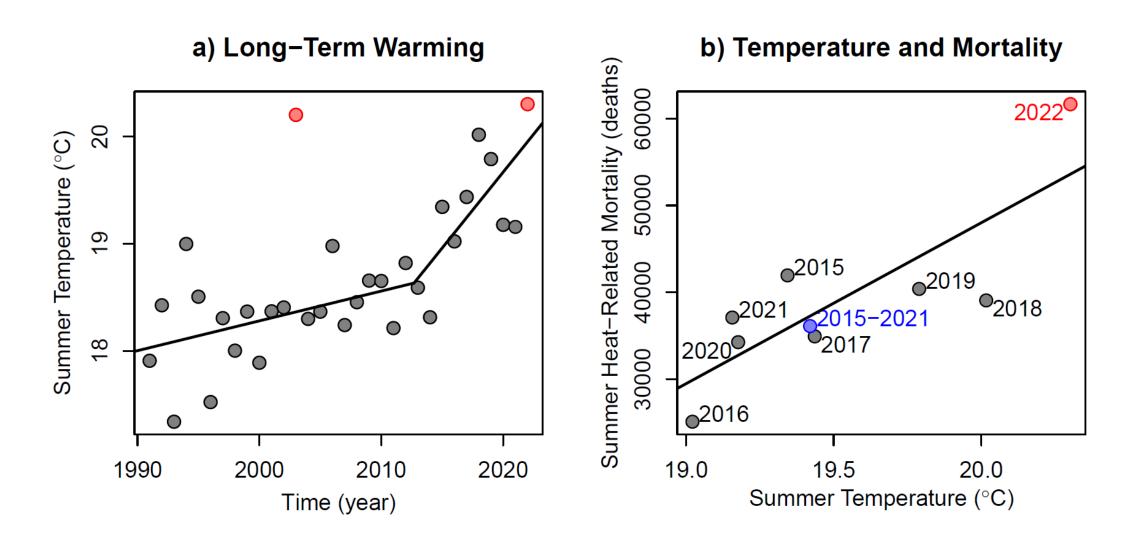


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EARLY-ADAPT The Record-Breaking 2022 Summer



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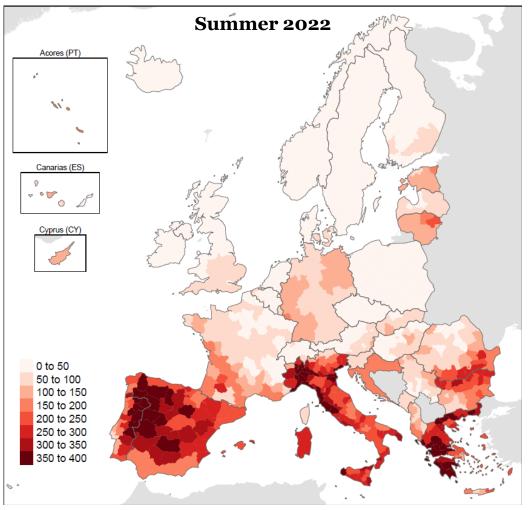
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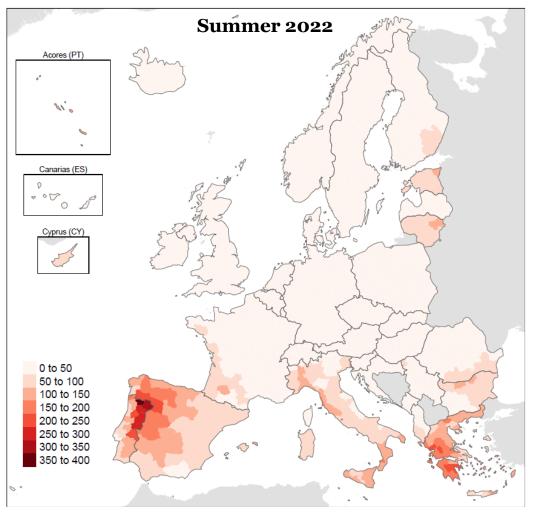
EARLY-ADAPT Climate Change Impact Attribution



Factual Mortality (deaths/million)



Counterfactual Mortality (deaths/million)



Beck et al. npj Climate and Atmospheric Science (2024)

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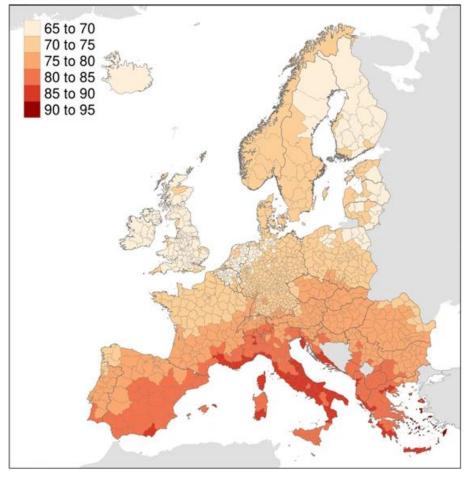


Air Pollution Estimation

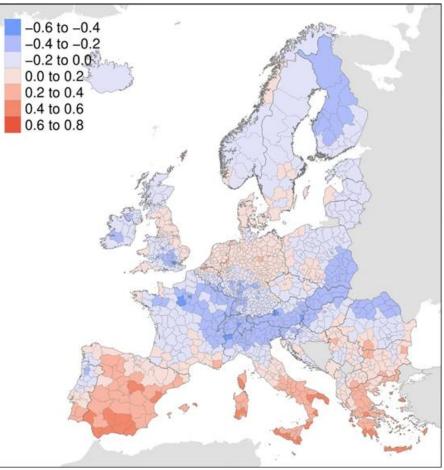
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Daily $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10} , O_3 and NO_2 since 2003 at 10 km resolution

Average Ozone (µg/m³)







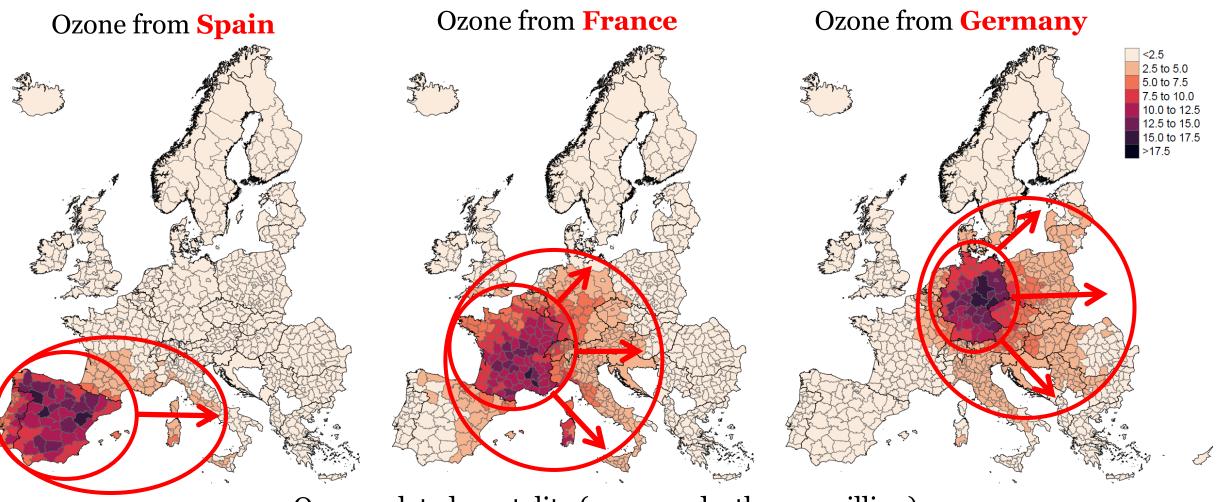
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Atmospheric Disease Transport



Ozone related mortality (summer deaths per million)

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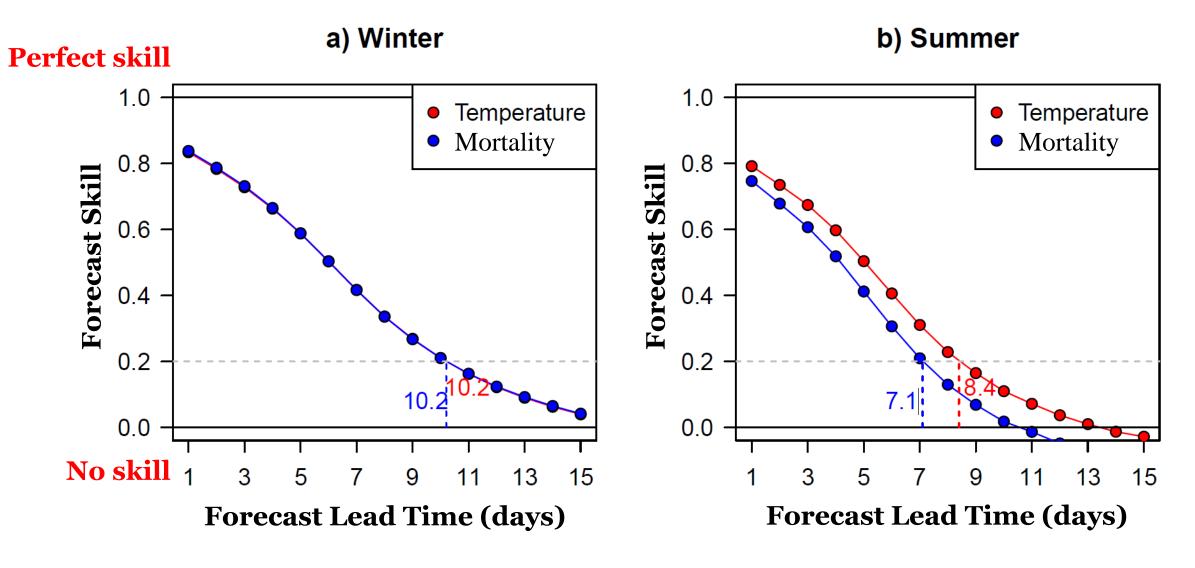
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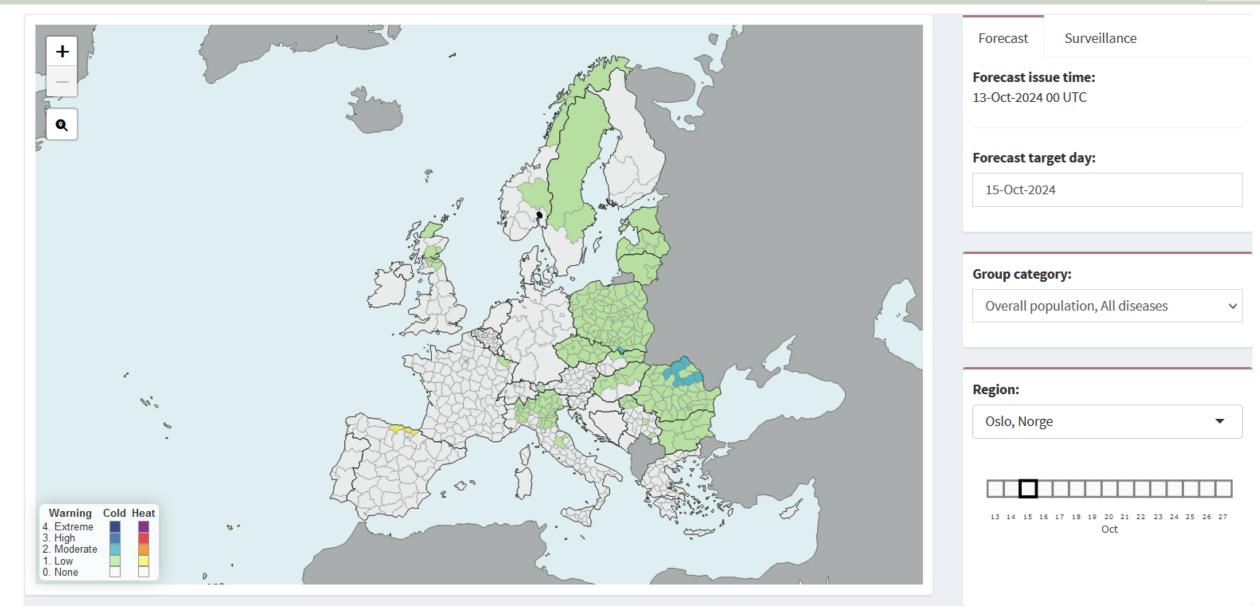
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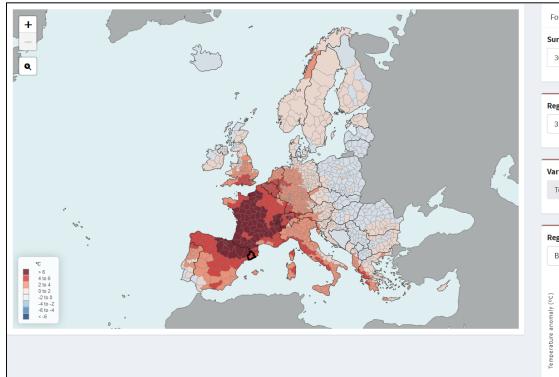


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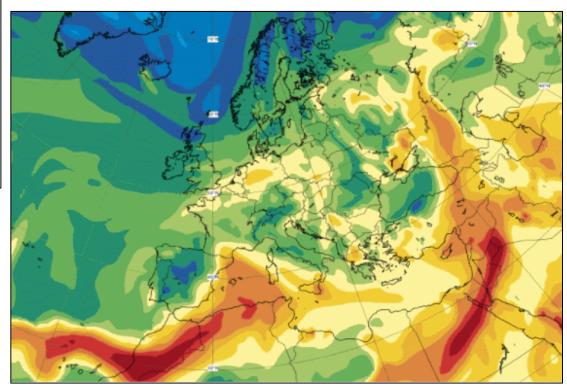
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Forecast	Surveillance	
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June 2024: Heat and Cold Related Mortality ERC Proof-of-Concept *HHS-EWS*



Autumn 2025:

PM_{2.5}, PM₁₀, O₃, NO₂ Related Mortality ERC Proof-of-Concept *FORECAST-AIR*

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