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WellHome – Aerosol size distribution, PM chemical composition and gaseous measurements in homes



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Our local community at White City: in facts and figures



WP1: Establishing a community air quality research network

WP2: Household exposure to gases and aerosols in the indoor:outdoor continuum

WP3: Quantitative profiling of social health inequalities and policy disconnects using toxicological paradigms

WP4: Occupant understanding and behavioural factors in indoor air quality

WP5: Characterising sources and behaviour that reduce exposure in the West London community and BAME asthmatic children in the UK

WP6: Harmonising the data and statistical analysis of relationships between exposures, behaviours and symptoms

Study Design

100 Homes Cohorts of 20 4 week sampling 2 seasons Oct 22 - Jun 24

10 Priority Homes

12 month sampling campaign 4 week intensive sampling 5 day intensive 2 seasons Jun 23 - Oct 24



the community sensing project





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the community sensing project

Priority Homes



MicroAeth MA350	PC			
Grimm MINI-WRAS Size Spectrometer				
Airyx ICAD NO _x /NO ₂				





Infographic showing the 12-month timeline for the 10 Priority Homes

- The WellHome team conducted 8 home visits to each home
- Visit 1 installed the three AirQ Science sensors (12 months)
- Visits 2 and 5 installed the intensive sampling equipment (5 days)
- Visits 3 and 6 collected the intensive sampling equipment
- Visit 8 collected the three AirQ Science sensors

Challenges

- Comparability and traceability between sensors and between homes over 1-2 years
- Ethical limitations

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Resource limitations

Priority Home Comparison with an Urban Background Site





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Seasonal Comparison of Living Room AIRQ sensors





Next Steps

- Assess variation in response over time
- Assess response to other sources, especially wider range of cooking emissions
- Provide final calibration factors for pollutants measured by the Dyson and AirQ Science sensors

Take Home Messages

- To ensure traceability and comparability for indoor studies we need well-designed quality assurance programmes
- We need to account for:
 - Sensor drift
 - Variations in environment
 - Variations in source
- There is a need to use reference instruments suitable for the aerosol source

Thank You

15.45 – 17.15 Parallel Sessions

1.6	Chair: Henry Bu Co-Chair: Marta	rridge O'Brien	Variations in Exposure to Indoor Air Pollution	Corelli
	Diana Varaden	WellHome: a	community-based study for investigating indoor air	Abstracts
		pollution in a	Page: 26 - 29	
	David Shaw:	The impact o		
		homes in Bra		
		project		
	Yunqi Shao:	Exploring the		
		household er	nvironments in Bradford, UK	
Robe	rto Sommariva:	A study of co	oking and cleaning activities with the MBM-Flex	
		indoor air qu	ality mode	

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