

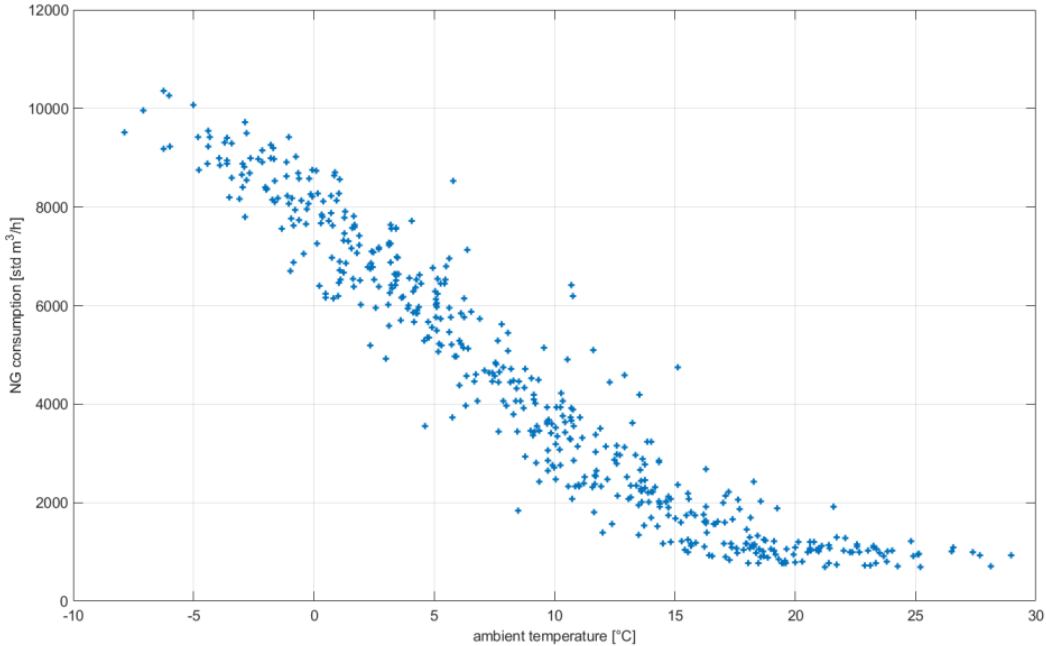
1 **Title**

2 Decoupling of urban CO₂ and air pollutant emission reductions during the European
3 SARS-CoV2 lockdown

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9 **Supplementary Information:**



11 **Fig. S1:** Degree heating days vs natural gas consumption from 01/01/2019 to 01/05/2020 (data
12 source: TIGAS, Tirol, www.tigas.at)

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15 **Eddy covariance analysis**

16 For stationary conditions and neglecting horizontal advection the surface atmosphere flux is
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$$F = \langle w'c' \rangle \quad (\text{Seq. 1})$$

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21 where w' represents the vertical fluctuation of wind speed, and c' the concentration fluctuation.
22 Brackets denote the averaging interval. The ensemble average used here is 30 minutes. Eddy
23 covariance fluxes were calculated as the covariance between the rotated vertical wind speed and
24 the tracer mole fraction. All flux data were analysed with the innFLUX eddy covariance code and
25 procedures described within the work of Striednig et al., (2020).

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30 **Boosted regression tree model:**

31 Three methods are used to validate the regression model. The first approach (method 1: pre-
 32 lockdown) is based on long-term measurements of NO₂/NO, NO_x, CO₂ and traffic data, where the
 33 model is trained up to Feb. 29th 2020, and the prediction is then tested for the first two weeks in
 34 March 2020 before SARS-CoV2 lockdown measures were implemented. The second approach
 35 (method 2: bootstrapping) includes all chemical species. Here, the regression model is trained
 36 with 2019 data, when an air quality campaign was conducted during a similar timeframe (March-
 37 April 2019) as the SARS-CoV2 lock-down period in 2020. The regression model is then tested
 38 using bootstrapping based on 1000 randomized samples. The third approach (method 3: cross
 39 validation) is a variation where the model is trained on a subset of the 2019 period (March-April
 40 2019), and tested against data that were not used to train the model. Table S1 summarizes
 41 respective model verification and initiation dates. Table S2 captures statistical parameters of the
 42 model output verification. Importance values of individual predictors of the regression model for
 43 key chemical species are shown in Fig. S3. The most important predictors are wind direction,
 44 time of day, radiation and temperature.

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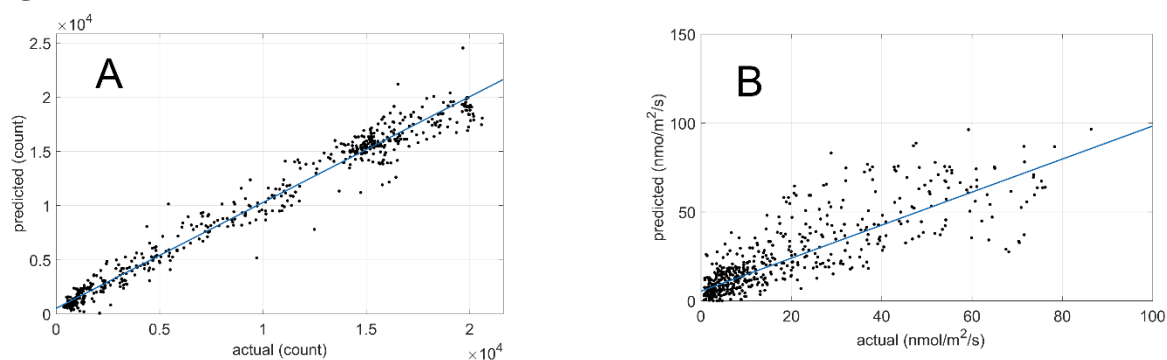
46 **Table S1: Regression model setup**

Species	Model training	Model verification	Model run initiated
NO _x , CO ₂	1.9.2018 – 29.2.2020	1.3.2020-13.3.2020	13/3/2020
NO _x , CO ₂	11.3.2019 – 9.4.2019	11.3.2019 – 9.4.2019	13/3/2020
NM VOC	11.3.2019 – 9.4.2019	11.3.2019 – 9.4.2019	13/3/2020
Traffic	1.9.2018 – 29.2.2020	1.3.2020-13.3.2020	13/3/2020

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48 **Uncertainty Analysis:**

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50 **Regression model:**

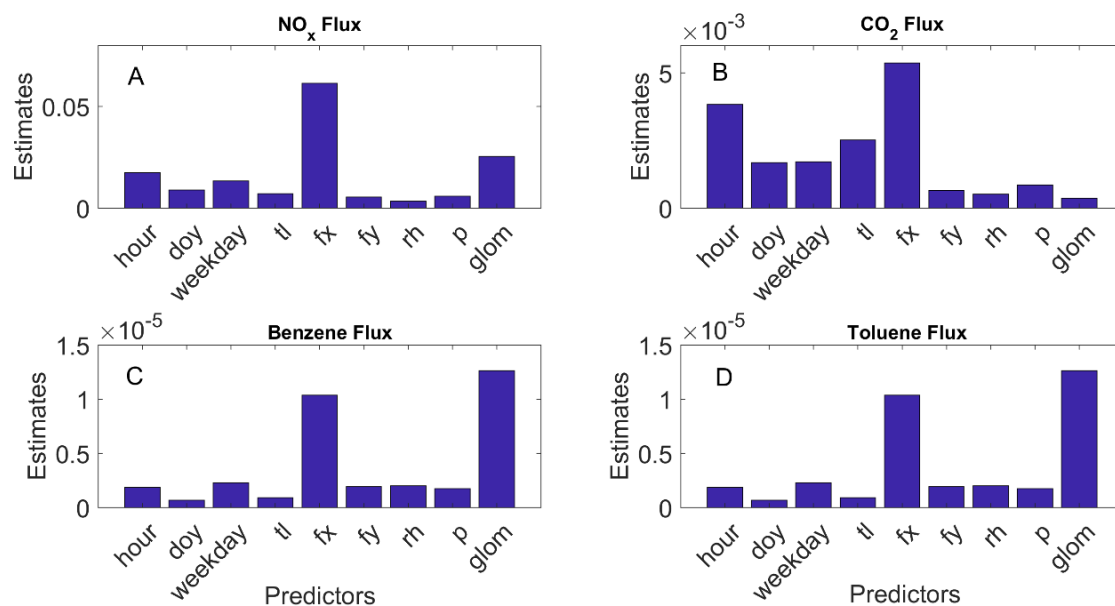
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52 **Fig. S2:** (A) Regression model prediction for traffic during pre-lockdown (method 1). (B)
 53 Regression model prediction for NO_x during pre-lockdown. The regression slopes are represented
 54 by the blue lines and are used to calculate the average bias of the fit (see Table S2)

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59 **Fig. S3:** Importance of individual predictors from the boosted regression tree model. (A) NO_x
60 flux, (B) CO₂ flux, (C) benzene flux, and (D) toluene flux. Predictors are hour of the day (hour),
61 day of year (doy), day of the week (weekday), ambient temperature (tl), longitudinal wind speed
62 (fx), latitudinal windspeed (fy), relative humidity (rh), pressure (p), and global radiation (glom).
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64 **Table S2:** Statistical results (bias, standard error and R²) of the model verification methods for
65 individual quantities.

Species	Bias	SE	R2	Verification method
NOx	-7%	0.04	0.80	Pre-lockdown
CO2	-25%	0.05	0.62	Pre-lockdown
traffic	-2%	0.01	0.97	Pre-lockdown
NOx	-2%	0.03	0.79	Bootstrapping
CO2	-1%	0.03	0.75	Bootstrapping
traffic	-1%	0.001	0.97	Bootstrapping
NOx	-6%	0.02	0.93	Cross-validation
CO2	-6%	0.01	0.86	Cross-validation
traffic	-1%	0.004	0.99	Cross-validation
Benzene	-1%	0.01	0.86	Bootstrapping
Toluene	-1%	0.01	0.83	Bootstrapping
Benzene	-13%	0.03	0.87	Cross-validation
Toluene	-21%	0.02	0.92	Cross-validation

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67 **Instrumental uncertainty:** Errors arising from analytical uncertainty mainly stem from
68 calibration procedures. For NMVOC these are estimated as 10% for aromatic NMVOC
69 compounds based on a calibration standard (Apel & Riemer, USA), similarly the uncertainty of
70 NO_x is 2%, and for CO₂ 5%, respectively.
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73 **Two end member pollutant model – uncertainty estimation:**

74 Errors for coefficients a_s and b_s (eq 6.) can be calculated based on error propagation, where by
75 definition $\Delta a_s = \Delta b_s$. Lets define $b_s := b$, $\frac{\delta T}{T} := t$, $\frac{\delta R}{R} := r$, and $\frac{\delta F}{F} := f$, then

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$$\Delta b = \frac{\partial b}{\partial f} \Delta f + \frac{\partial b}{\partial t} \Delta t + \frac{\partial b}{\partial r} \Delta r, \text{ and } b = \frac{f-t}{r-t} \text{ (Seq. 2a, b)}$$

77 Uncertainties of relative flux, traffic and RCP activity variations are taken as $\Delta f = 7\%$, $\Delta t = 2\%$,
78 and $\Delta r = 50\%$. This leads to a combined uncertainty of $\Delta a = \Delta b = 0.11$. Δf represents the average
79 bias obtained from the boosted tree regression model verification analysis. Δt is based on
80 counting statistics of traffic observations. Δr is the least certain and estimated based on the
81 constraints estimated for the RCP sector.

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