

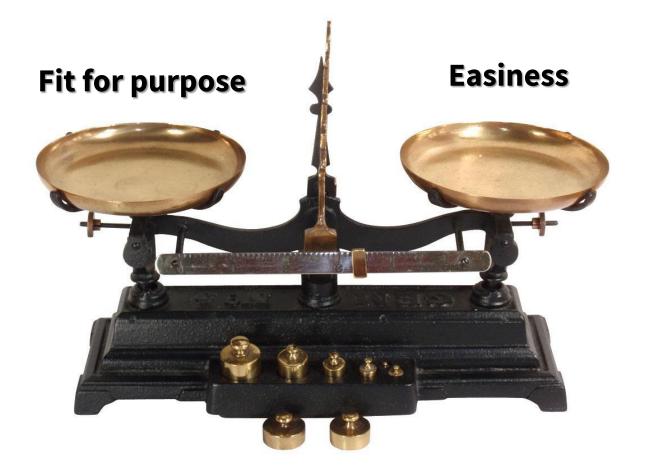
Improving Member States preparedness to face an HNS pollution of the Marine System (HNS-MS)

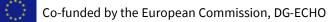
HNS release scenarios, initial conditions for the model





Scenario for use in the decision support system





HNS spill scenarios considered in the project "Initial conditions"

Observed pollution

- 1. At the sea surface
 - a. Small to medium spills
 - b. Elongated spills

Backward and forward in time

- 2. Observed in the water column
- 3. Observed at the sea floor

From a known source

- 4. From a moving vessel
- 5. From a sunk vessel
 - a. Discharge rate prescribed
 - b. Discharge rate computed
- 6. From a broken pipeline

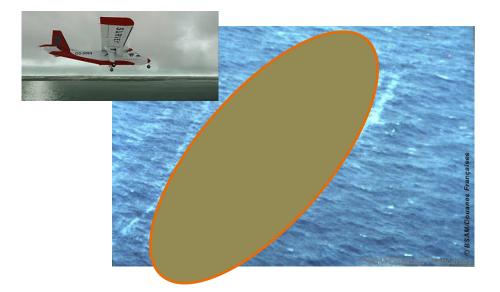
- 7. From a land source
- 8. Gas release in the atmosphere
- 9. From leaking containers adrift

Only forward in time



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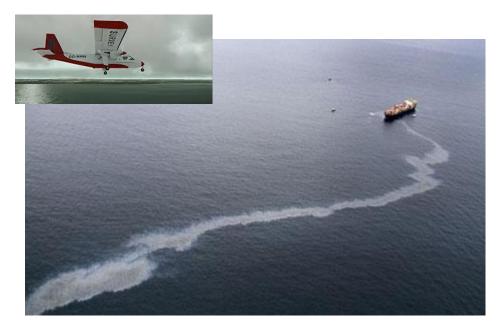
1. Observed pollution at sea surface a. Small to medium slick



Surface slick as an ellipsis

- Lat, lon of the polluted area + observation time
- length, width, orientation of the ellipsis
- Total HNS volume or thickness of the pollution

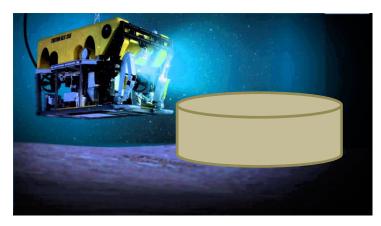
1. Observed pollution at sea surface b. Elongated slick

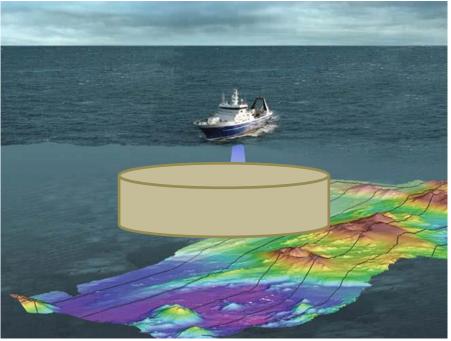


Pollution as a straight line

- Lat, lon of both end of the pollution + observation time
- Estimated width of the pollution
- Total volume of the HNS or slick thickness estimation

2. pollution in the water column

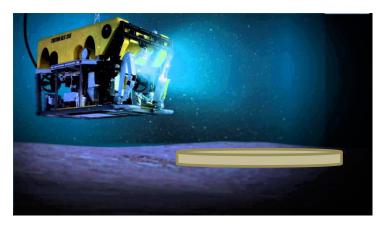


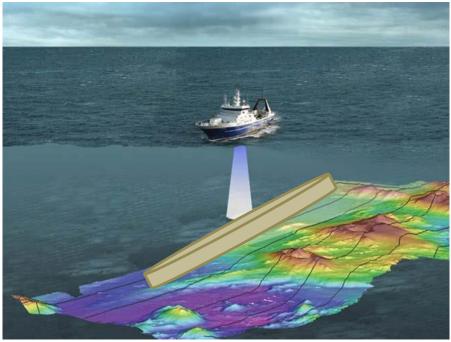


Pollution as an extruded ellipsis

- Lat, lon, depth of the polluted water column + observation time
- Major axis, minor axis, orientation, top and bottom depth
- Total HNS volume or HNS concentration in the water column
- Droplets/bubbles size distribution features

3. pollution of the sea floor





Pollution covers an ellipsis area

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- length, width, orientation of the ellipsis
- Total HNS volume or thickness of the pollution

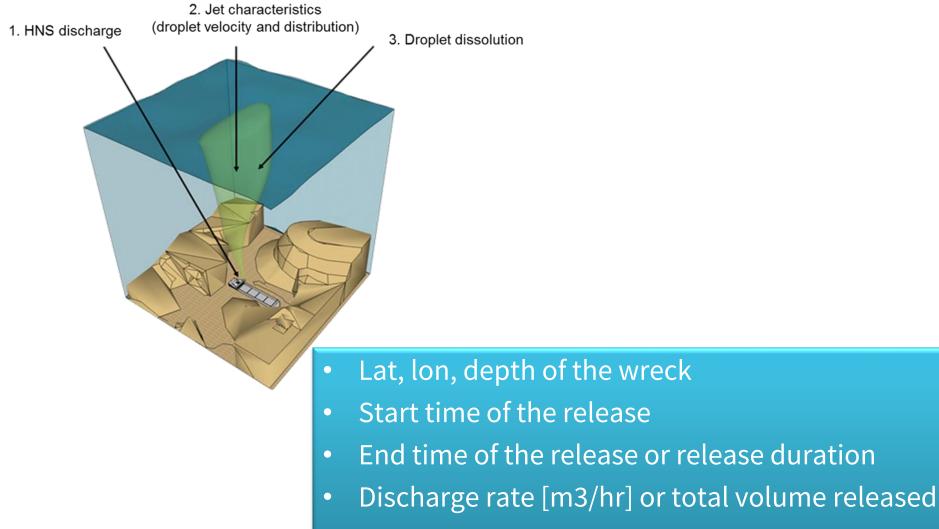
4. Release from a moving vessel



Pollution along a straight line

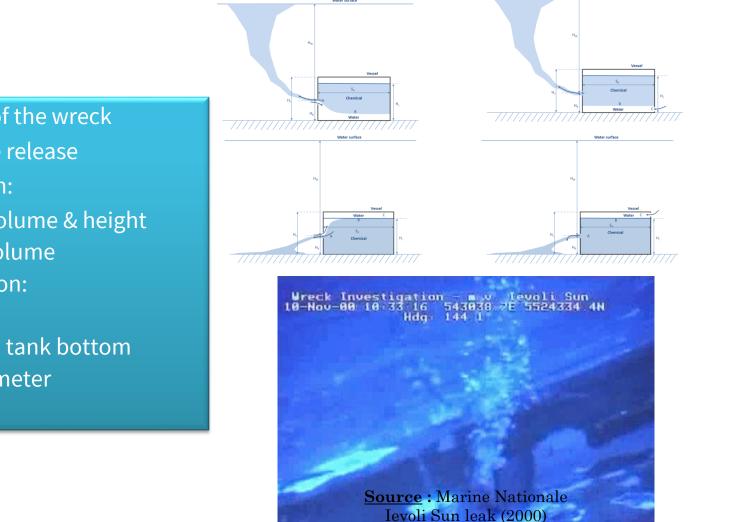
- Lat, lon at start and end time of the discharge
- Discharge duration
- Total HNS volume or discharge rate

5. Release from a leaking wreck a. Discharge rate estimated



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5. Release from wreck b. Discharge rate computed



- Lat, lon, depth of the wreck
- Start time of the release
- Tank description:
 - total tank volume & height
 - Total HNS volume
- Breach description:
 - #breaches
 - height w.r.t. tank bottom
 - breach diameter



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6. Spill from a broken pipeline



- Lat, lon, depth, diameter, orientation of the breach
- Start time of the discharge
- End time of the discharge or discharge duration
- Discharge volumic rate or total HNS volume discharged



7. Release from a land source or a river



- Lat, lon, depth of the release source
- Start time of the pollution event
- End time of the pollution event or duration
- Total HNS volume spilt or discharge volumic rate





8. Direct gas release in the atmosphere



• Lat, lon of the source

- Start time of the release
- End time of the release / duration
- Total gas mass (or normalised volume)
- Discharge rate



9. Release from leaking containers adrift



1. Simulation of the container trajectory

- Lat, lon, time of the cargo loss
- # containers/drums adrift
- Crosswind and downwind leeway drift coefficient (function of the object adrift and its immerged volume ratio)

2. Simulation of the HNS drift, fate and behaviour

- HNS volume per container
- Start time of the release
- Volumic discharge rate



11 scenarios that should cover almost all likely cases

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