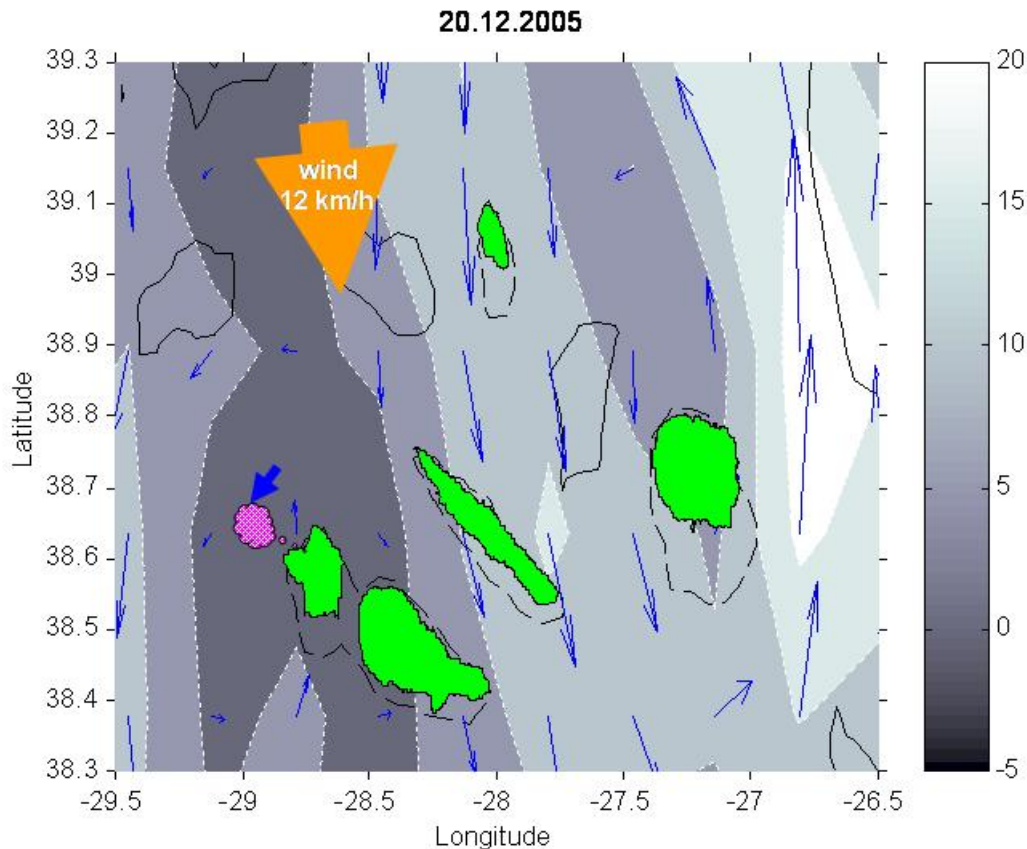


20.12.2005. According to Windguru forecast (<http://www.windguru.cz/int/index.php?go=1&lang=eng&vs=1&sc=293&wj=kmh&tj=c&odh=2&doh=22&fhours=180>) the situation today (20.12.2005) is resembles to that at the previous days. Gentle winds will take the pollution away SW. Please note the change of the forecast as compared to the Friday forecast for today. This happens due to change in the wind forecasts, as compared to Friday. The oil will be still transported to the W or NW.



21-22.12.2005 According to Windguru forecast the wind will change to the one from the S and reach speed of 25km/h. With this type of wind and geostrophic currents the oil will go N along the shore. In this case part of the oil can reach St.Jorge island and follow along the shore. It can be partly dispersed with the tides in St.Jorge-Pico channel (among Vellas and S.Rock). Our observations in the St.Jorge-Pico and Faial-Pico channel showed that dominating transport is clockwise around the Pico island, which means the oil will be generally transported along St.Jorge-Pico channel to the E, and away from the Faial-Pico channel.

IMPORTANT: In our predictions we give only tentative ways of oil spill, e.g. in case if there is any emission of oil.

IF NO OIL IS LEAVING THE TANKER AT ANY PARTICULAR MOMENT, NO CONTAMINATION WILL BE OBSERVED.

21.12.2005

