

RAPS

**Railway noise (and other modes)
Annoyance Performance Sleep**

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Temporal structure of traffic noise

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Workpackage 2: Annoyance and Performance

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Workpackage 3: Sleep disturbances

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Workpackage 2: Cognitive performance

Macro- and micro-structures of railway noise
and cognitive performance during work

Workpackage 3: Sleep disturbances

Task 3.0: Agreement on design and methods

Task 3.1: Railway noise, sleep, performance, age (CNRS)

Task 3.2: Effect-oriented weighing of traffic noise

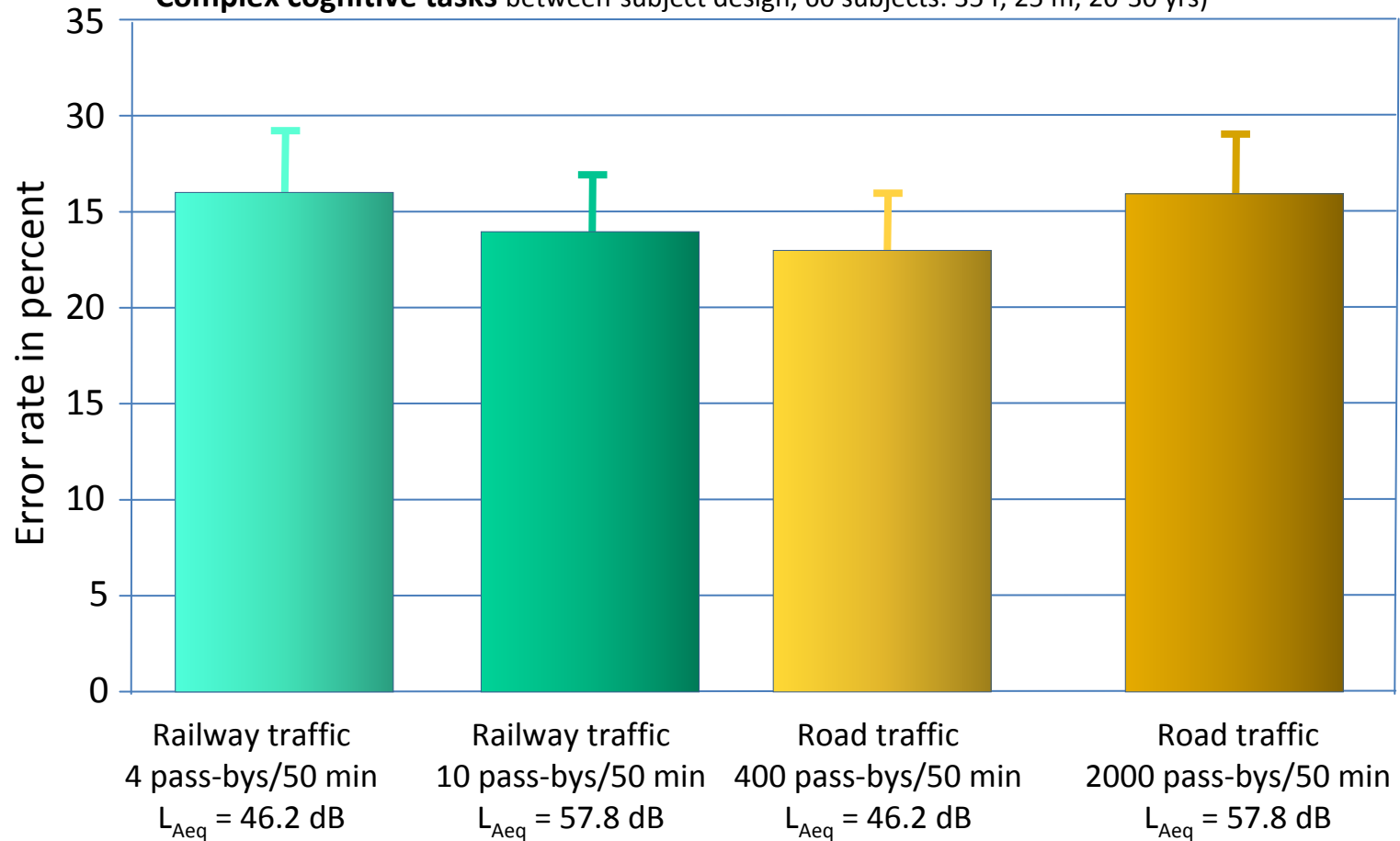
- Meta-analysis (aircraft, rail, road, DLR)
- Lab: Rail & road scenarios (*IfADo*)
- Field: Rail & road noise (DLR)

Comparison between traffic modes

Task 2.2: Cognitive performance

Traffic volume (within-subject design, 40 subjects: 26 f, 14 m, 21-40 yrs), 4 h

Complex cognitive tasks between-subject design, 60 subjects: 35 f, 25 m, 20-30 yrs)



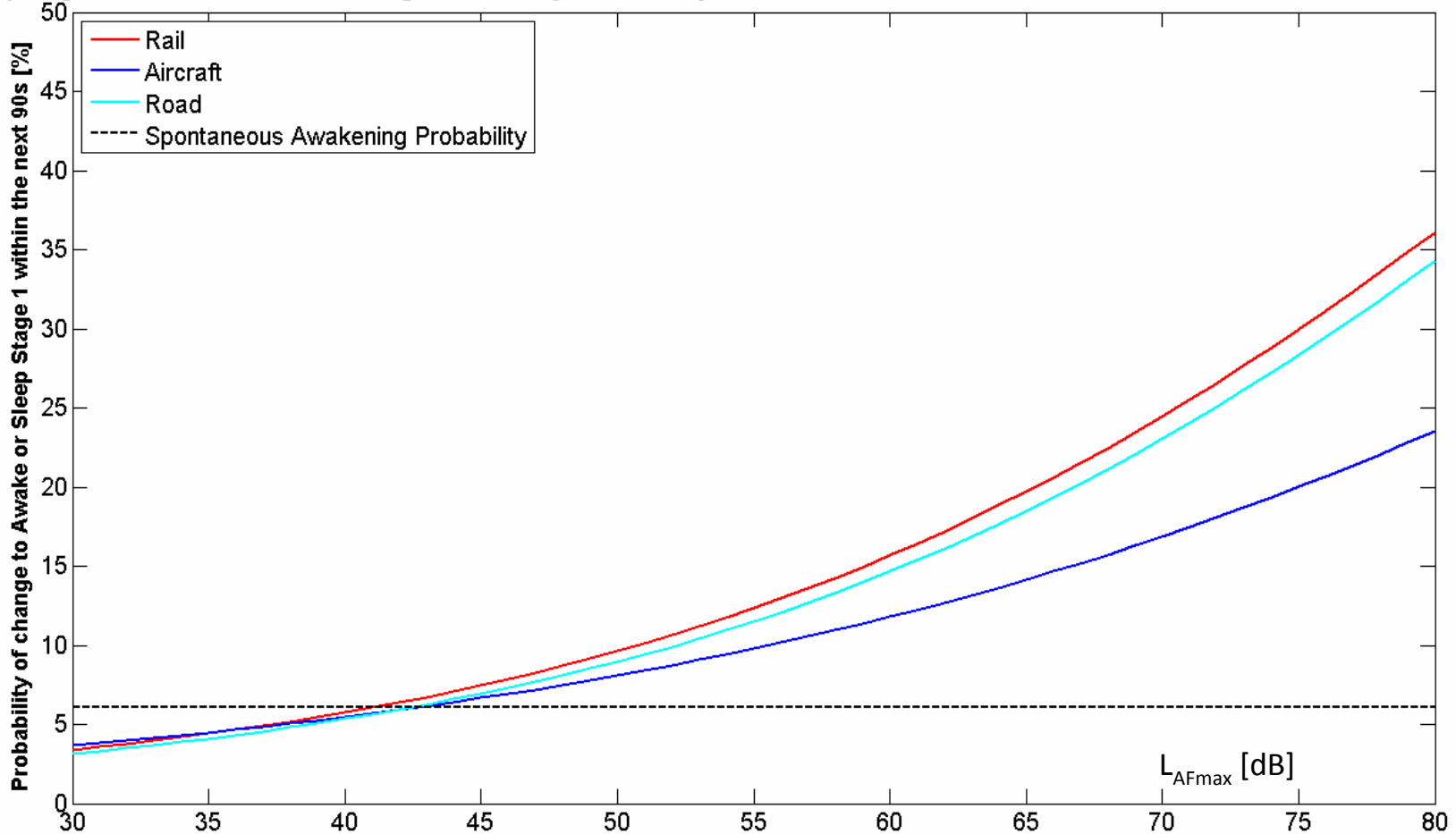
Annoyance: road > rail

Ability to concentrate under road traffic noise subjectively worse

Comparison between traffic modes

Task 3.2: Effect-oriented weighing of traffic noise Meta-analysis (aircraft, rail, road, DLR)

Sleep Stage 2, middle of 2nd half of the night: Meta-analysis laboratory studies DLR and IfADo, 46.509 aircraft, 35.647 roadtraffic und 27.680 rail noises

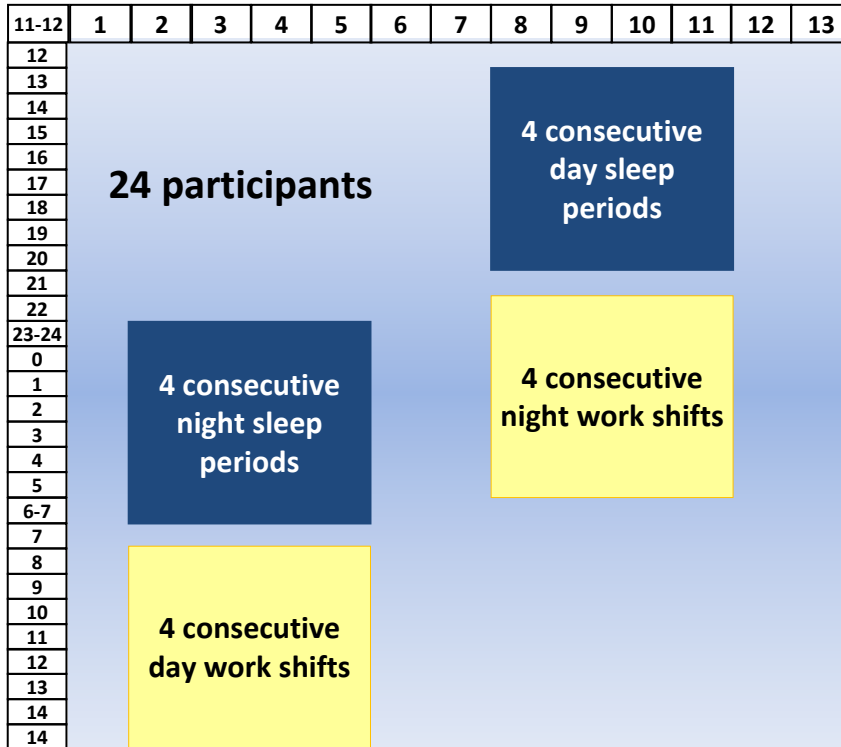


Meta-analysis on the basis of studies performed at DLR and *IfADo* with a total of 336 participants and 3808 nights (192 rail-, 192 road-, 1656 air traffic, 1256 quiet)

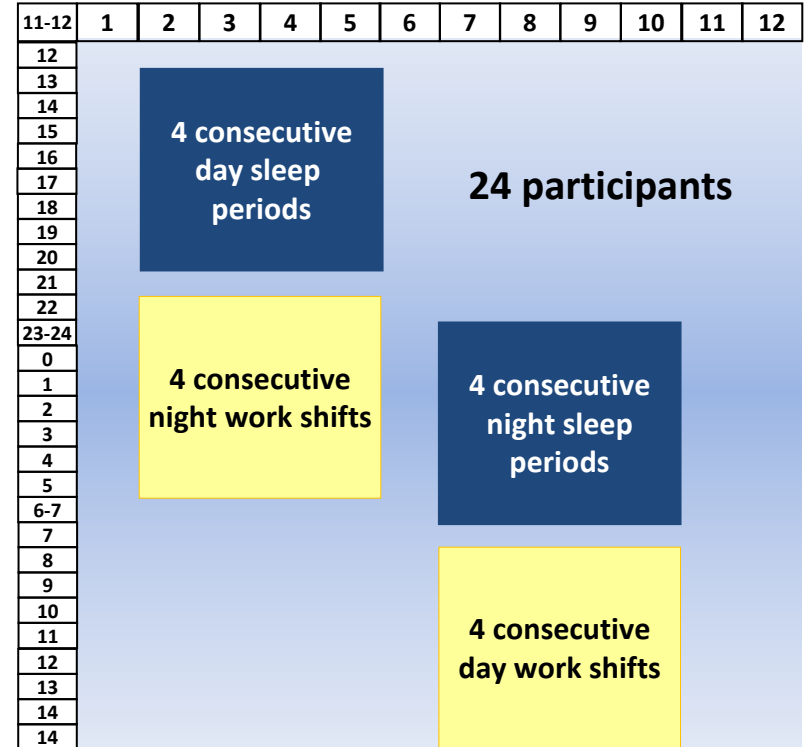
Comparison between traffic modes

Task 3.2: Laboratory – Experimental design (*IfADo*)

4 night sleep – day sleep periods
then 4 day sleep – night sleep periods



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Traffic noise scenarios (8h)

Railway traffic

20 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 42-45$ dB

40 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 46-54$ dB

58 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 51-54$ dB

Road traffic noise

1 300 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 42-43$ dB

4 300 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 41-49$ dB

8 600 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 49-56$ dB

Railway bonus

Railway traffic

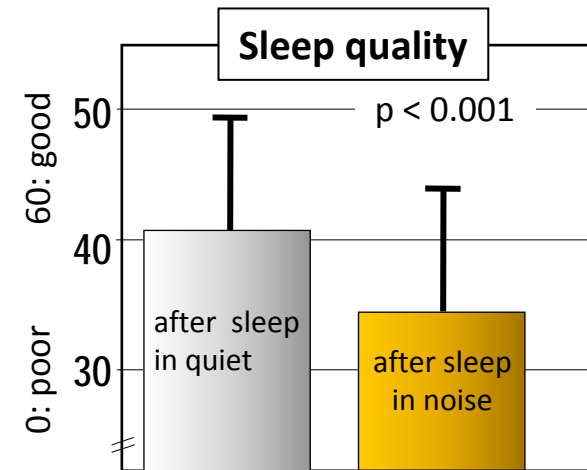
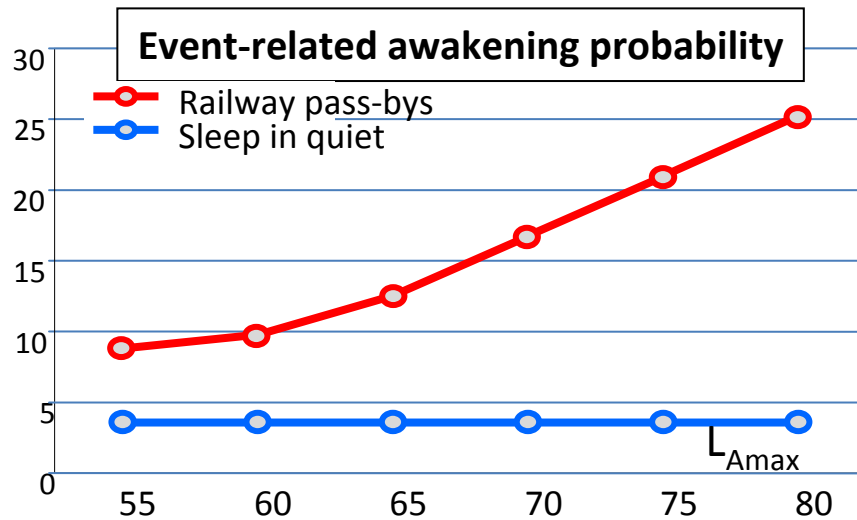
40 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 49.4$ dB

Road traffic noise

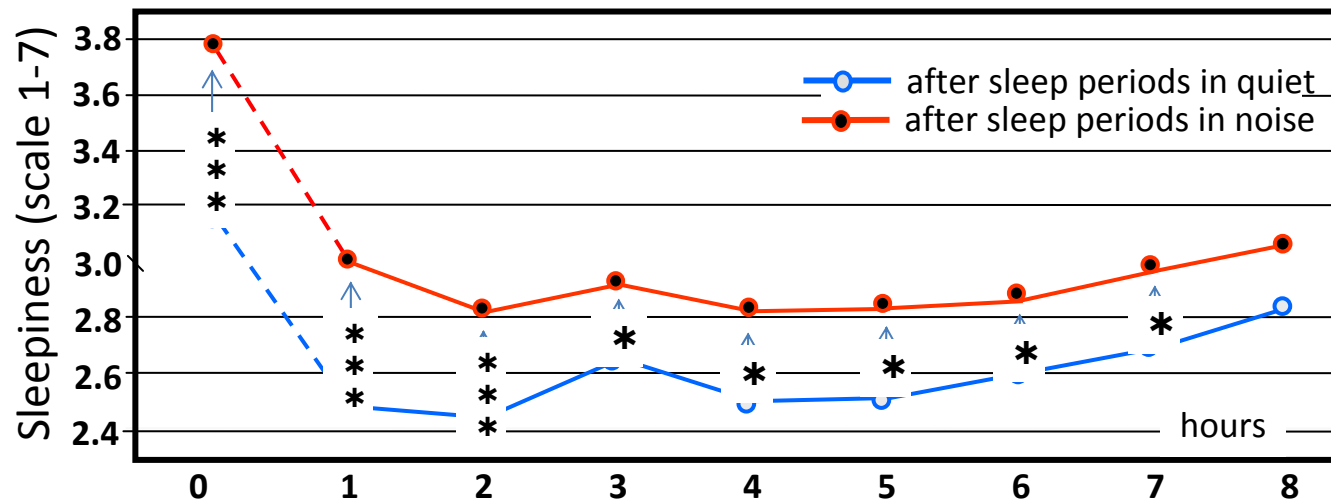
4 300 pass-bys: $L_{Aeq} = 44.6$ dB

Comparison between traffic modes

Task 3.2: Laboratory – Subjective evaluation (*IfADo*)



Sleepiness during work shifts after sleep in quiet and in noise

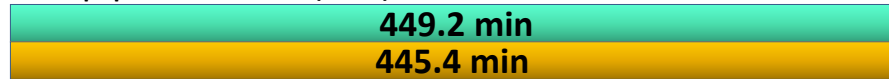


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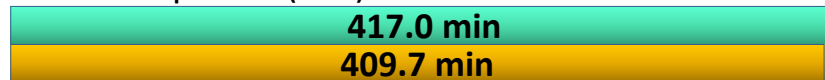
Task 3.2: Laboratory – Effects of noise on sleep structure and evaluation (*IfADo*)

Total sleep period, physiologic measures

Sleep period time (SPT)



Total sleep time (TST)



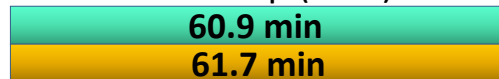
Intermittent wakefulness (WASO)



Total number of wake periods



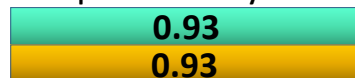
Slow-wave-sleep (SWS)



REM-sleep (SPT)



Sleep efficiency-Index (SEI)

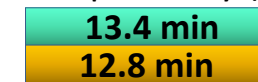


Sleep disturbance-Index (SDI)

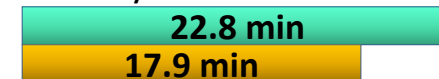


1st sleep cycle

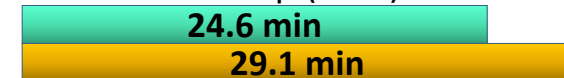
Sleep latency (SOL)



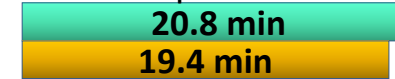
Latency to slow-wave-sleep (SWSL)



Slow-wave-sleep (SWS)



REM-sleep

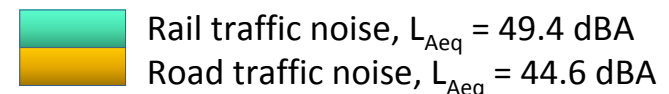


Subjective evaluation

Sleep quality (SSQ)



Sleepiness (KSS)



Comparison between traffic modes

Task 3.2: Laboratory – Sleepiness and performance during work shifts (*IfADo*)

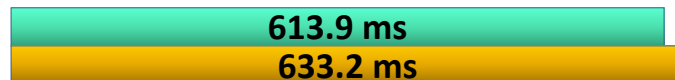
Sleepiness during work shifts



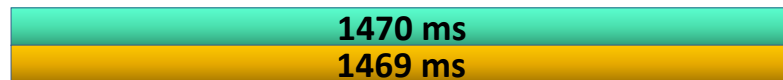
Performance during work shifts

Reaction times

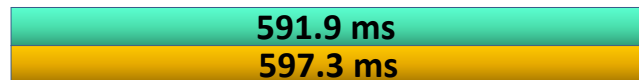
Selective attention (Go-/Nogo)



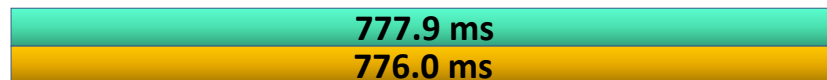
Divided attention auditive (GETAa)



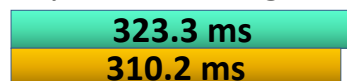
Divided attention visual (GETAv)



Working memory (ARGE)

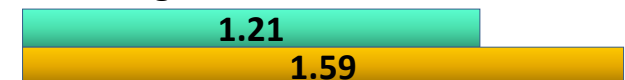


Psychomotor vigilance Test (PVT)



Error rates

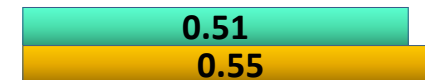
Go-/Nogo



GETAa



GETAv



ARGE



Comparison between traffic modes

Task 3.2: Field study – Acoustic conditions (DLR)

Location	‘Rheinschiene’ Köln - Koblenz
Participants	22 female, 11 male, 22-68 yrs (1 >50 yrs), min bedtime 00:00 - 6:00 h
Design	9 consecutive nights each, measures over all the year (season)
Recordings	PSG, FPA, ECG, annoyance, SQ, SRT, RR

Number of traffic noise events

- Freight trains: 9.476 „undisturbed“ + 2.360 „disturbed“
- Passenger trains: 3.294 „undisturbed“ + 899 „disturbed“
- Road traffic: 7.365 „undisturbed“ + 1.822 „disturbed“

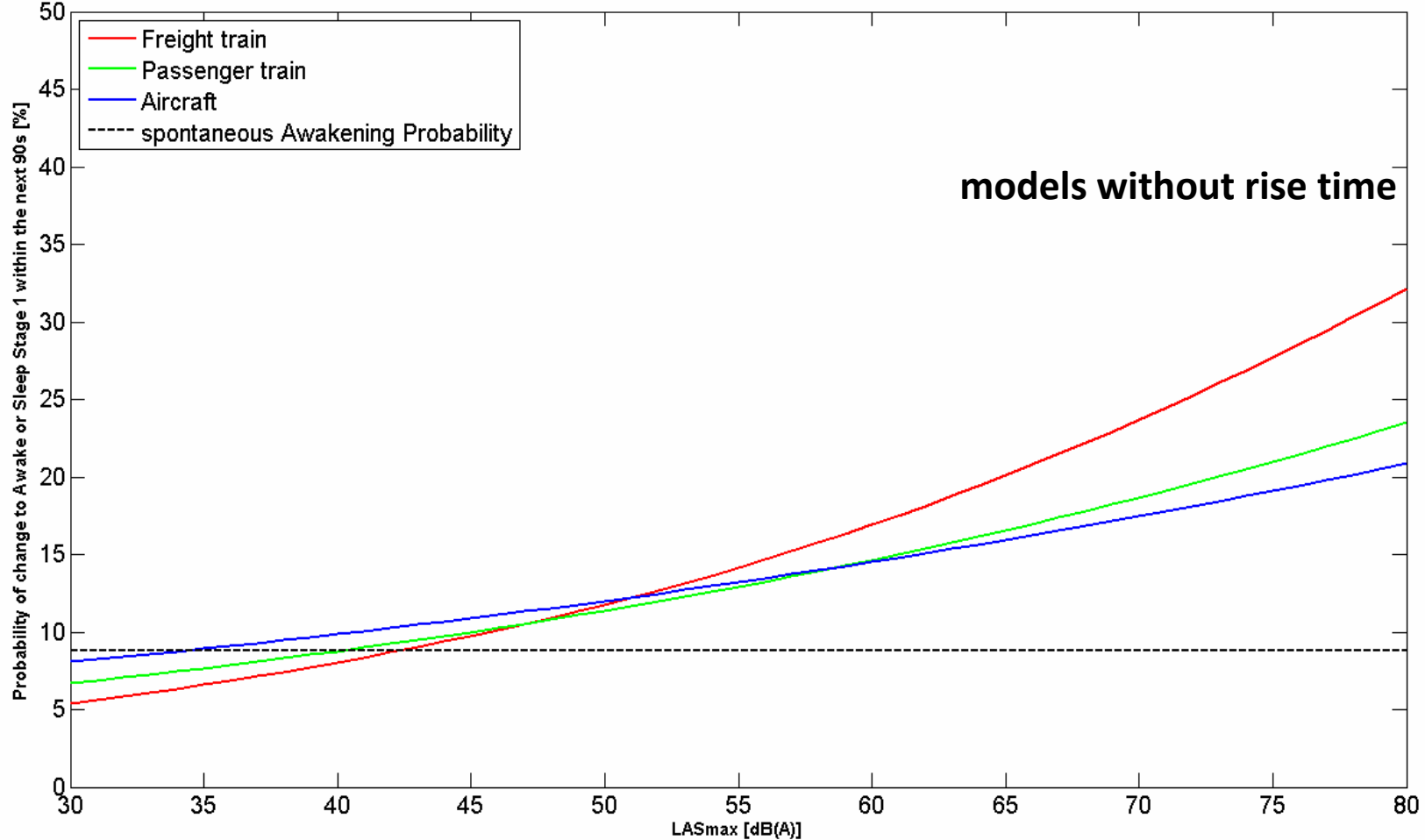
Time length of noise events: Median (25. | 75. percentile)

- Freight trains: 65.2 s (49.6 s | 85.1 s)
- Passenger trains: 29.4 s (23.6 s | 38.3 s)

Comparison between traffic modes

Task 3.2: Field study – Event-related awakenings (DLR)

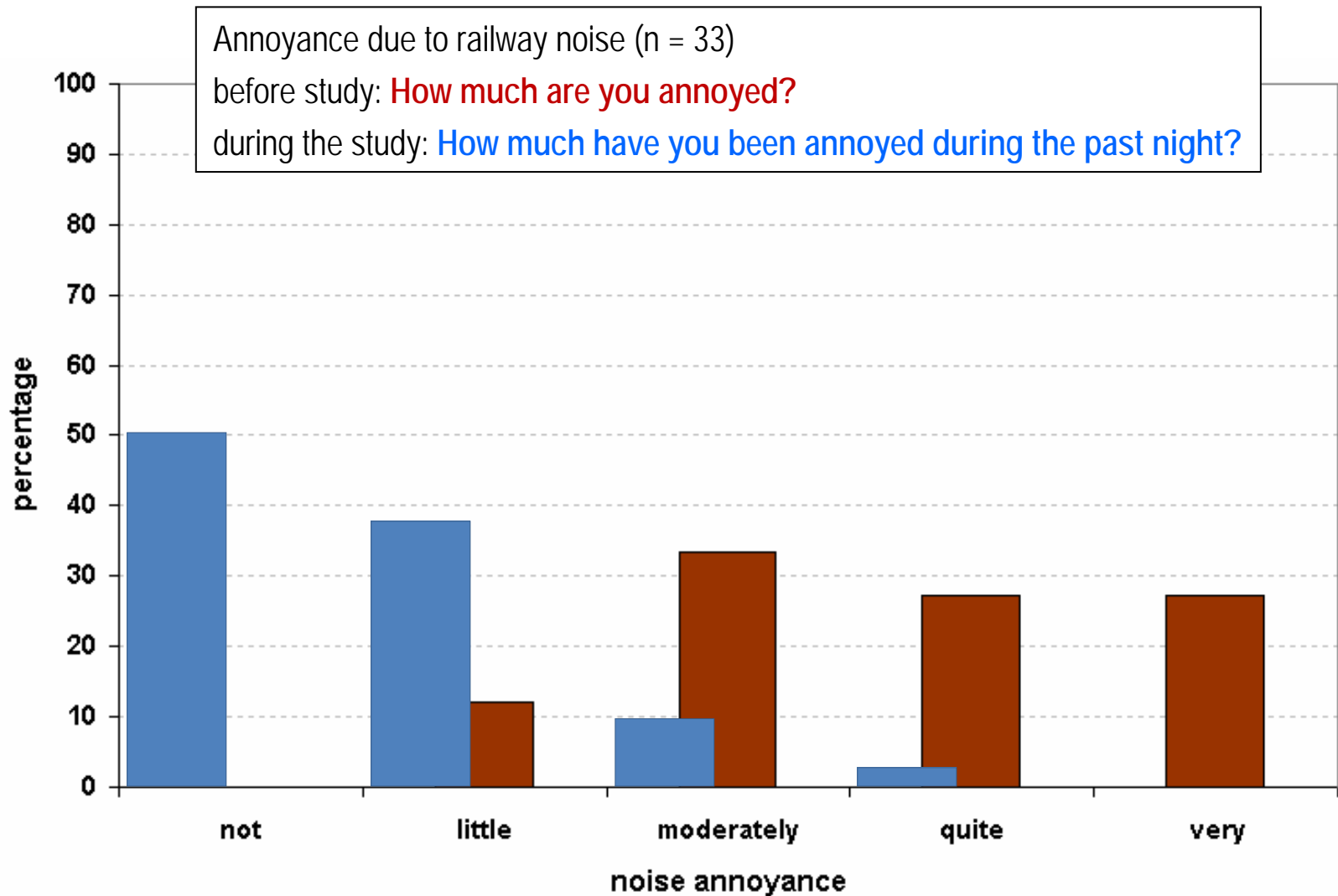
Sleep Stage 2, middle of 2nd half of the night: DEUFRAKO/RAPS + STRAIN field studies DLR: 6.484 freight trains, 1.918 passenger trains and 10.658 aircraft, model without rise time



models without rise time

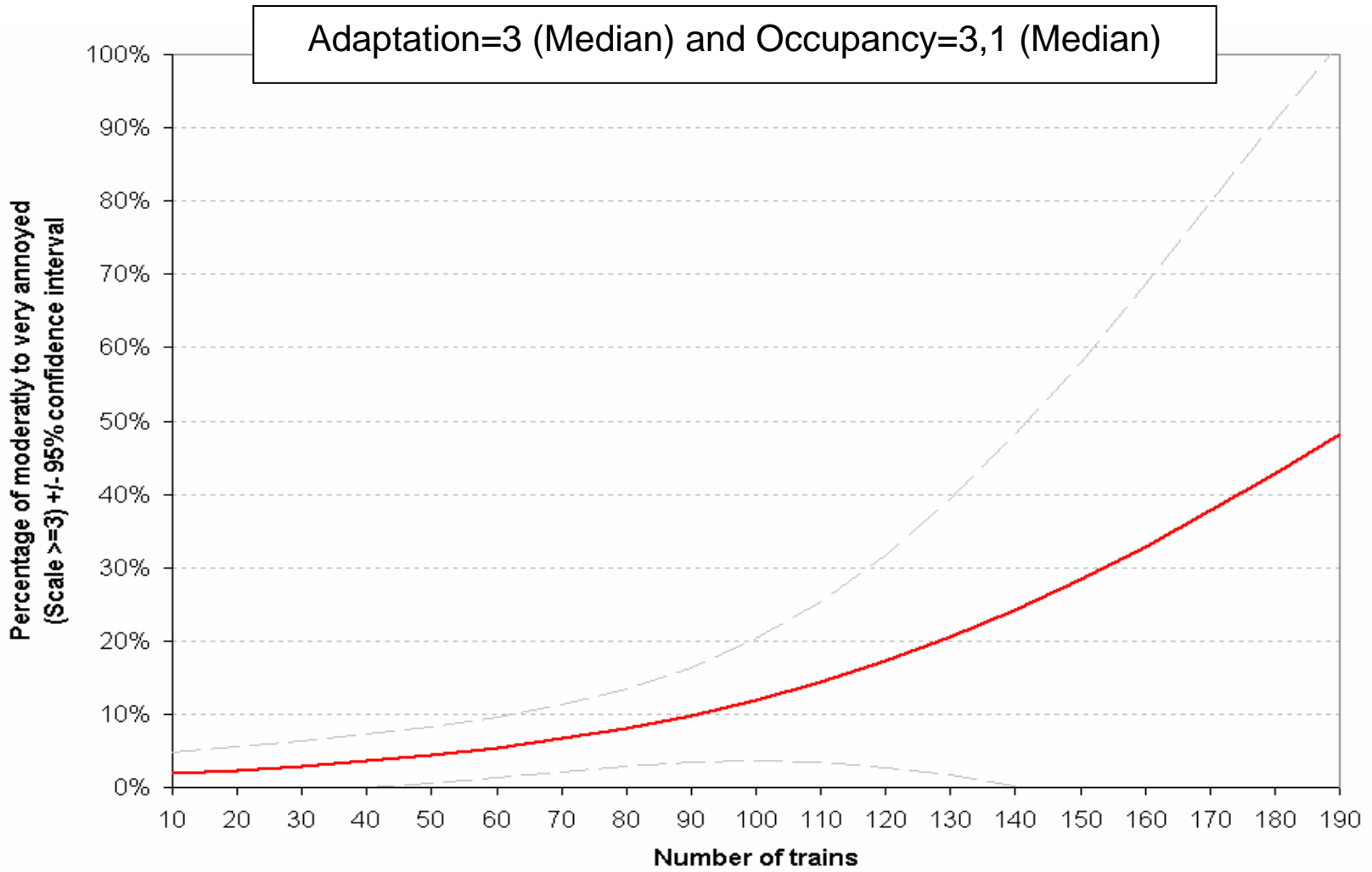
Comparison between traffic modes

Task 3.2: Field study – Noise annoyance (DLR)



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Task 3.2: Field study – Noise annoyance (DLR)



Railway noise: carbon composite brakes

Task 2.2: Composite brakes – Cognitive performance (KUEI)

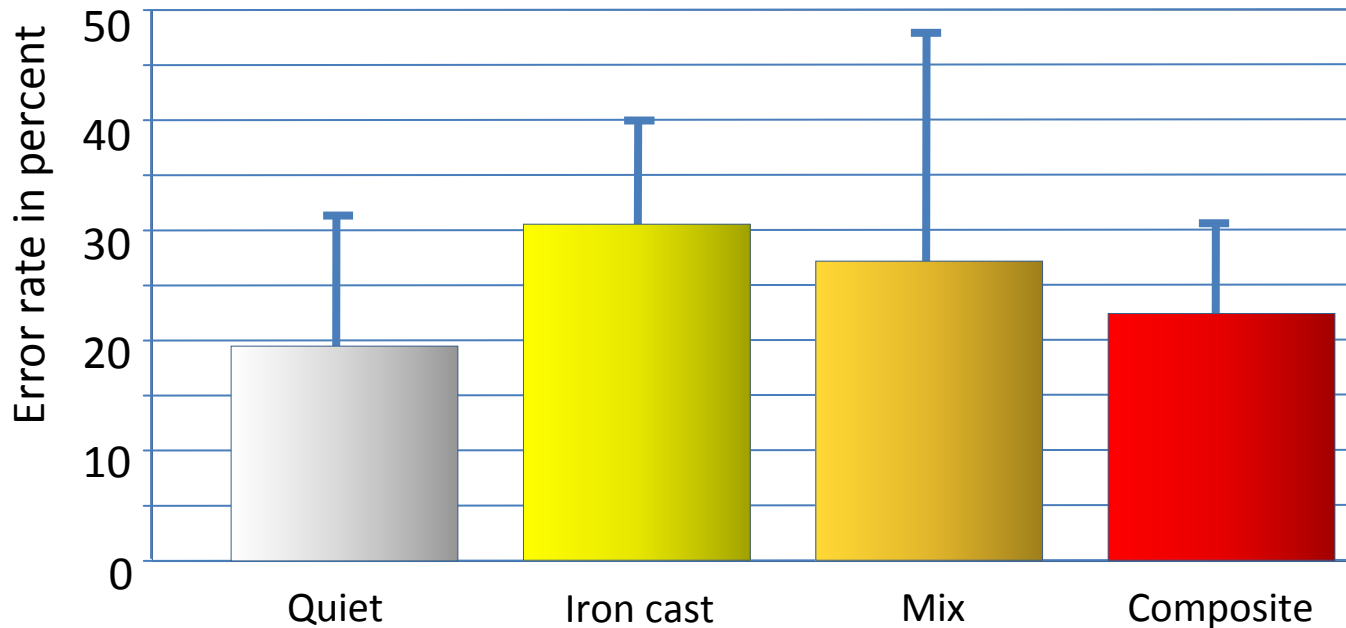
Task 2.2: Cognitive performance (KUEI)

10 pass-bys / 50 min (within-subject design, subjects: 19 f, 1 m, 20-30 yrs), 2 h



Concentration-performance test CarbonC > IronC (Serial recall, grammatical reasoning no effect)

Concentration-performance test



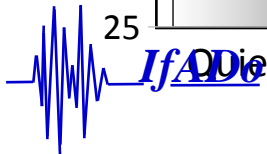
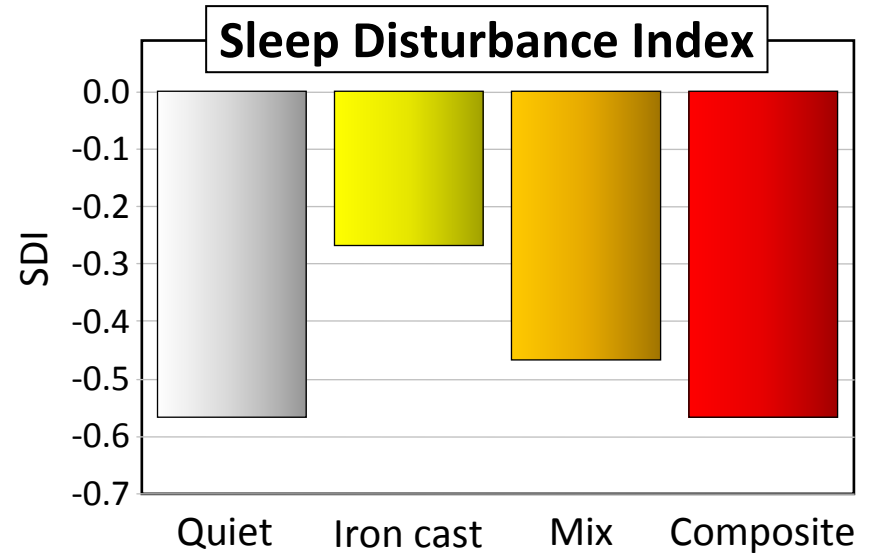
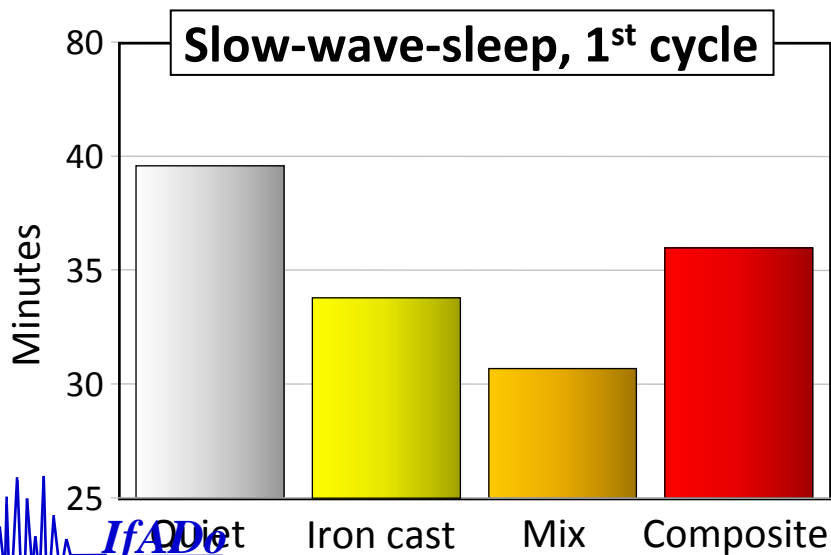
Railway noise: carbon composite brakes

Task 3.3: Composite brakes – Effects on sleep (*IfADo*)

Task 3.3: Sleep (*IfADo*)

quiet, 20, 40, 80 pass-bys / 8h (within-subject design, subjects: 6 f, 6 m, 18-26 yrs)

1 st week					2 nd week				3 rd week			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
Quiet	Iron cast brakes (L_{AFmax} : 73.4 dB)				Mixed brakes (L_{AFmax} : 65.4 dB)				Carbon composite brakes (L_{AFmax} : 73.1 dB)			
	20	40	80	Quiet	20	40	80	Quiet	20	40	80	Quiet



Conclusions and recommendations

- Enforce noise abatement
- Enforce installation of carbon composite brakes
- Railway bonus
 - concerning daytime – supported
 - concerning sleep disturbances still questionable

