# Extreme precipitation totals in 2010 in context of historical precipitation data in Slovakia

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# **OBJECTIVES**

MATERIAL AND METHODS

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION ANALYSIS

SYNOPTIC CAUSES OF EXTREME PRECIPITATION IN 2010

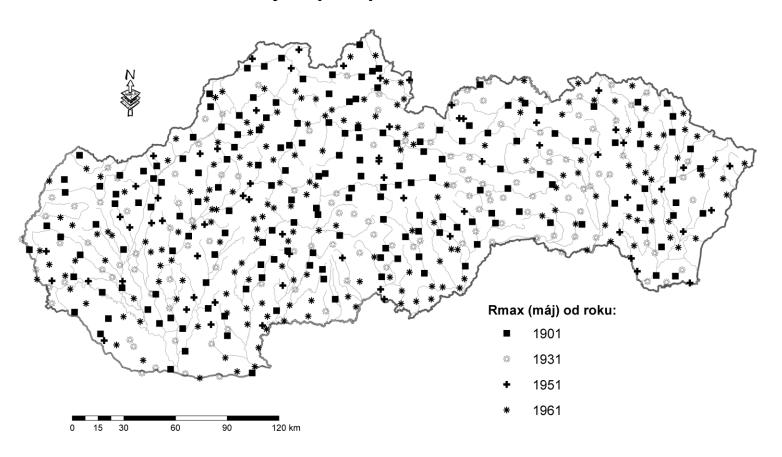
**EXTREME PRECIPITATION IN MAY AND JUNE 2010** 





# MATERIAL AND METHODS

#### Availability of precipitation maximum data







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ANNUAL, SEASONAL AND MONTHLY PRECIPITATION SPATIAL ANALYSIS USING GIS

TO ANALYZE SYNOPTIC CONDISTIONS OF EXTREME RAINFALL EVENTS WE USED THE OUTPUTS OF ECMWF 24-HOUR PRECIPITATION FIELD (SEA LEVEL PRESURE FIELD)

TIME SERIES OF ANNUAL AND MONTHLY AREAL PRECIPITATION IN THE 1881-2010 PERIOD

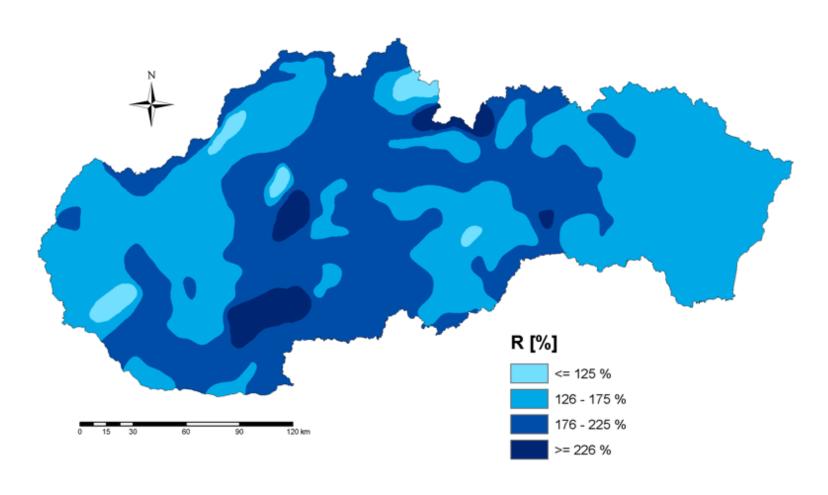
TEMPERATURE CORRELATION ANALYSIS





# **ANNUAL PRECIPITATION IN 2010**

#### Summer 2010 precipitation in % of 61-90 normal





PRECIPITATION TOTALS WERE ABOVE-NORMAL IN ALMOST ALL MONTHS IN 2010

THE FLOOD SITUATIONS IN APRIL, MAY AND JUNE 2010 AS A RESULTS OF ABUNDANT PRECIPITATION IN AUTUMN 2009 AND WINTER 2009/2010

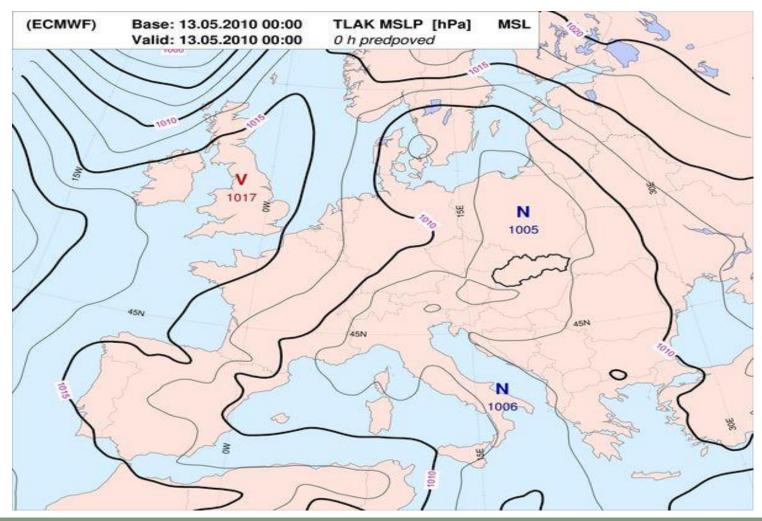
SOME PRECIPITATION EXTREME WEATHER SITUATIONS BEFORE MAY 2010 (10.-15. OCT, 22.-25. DEC 2009)

FLOOD GENERATING WEATHER SITUATIONS – 14.-18. MAY, 31. MAY-2. JUNE





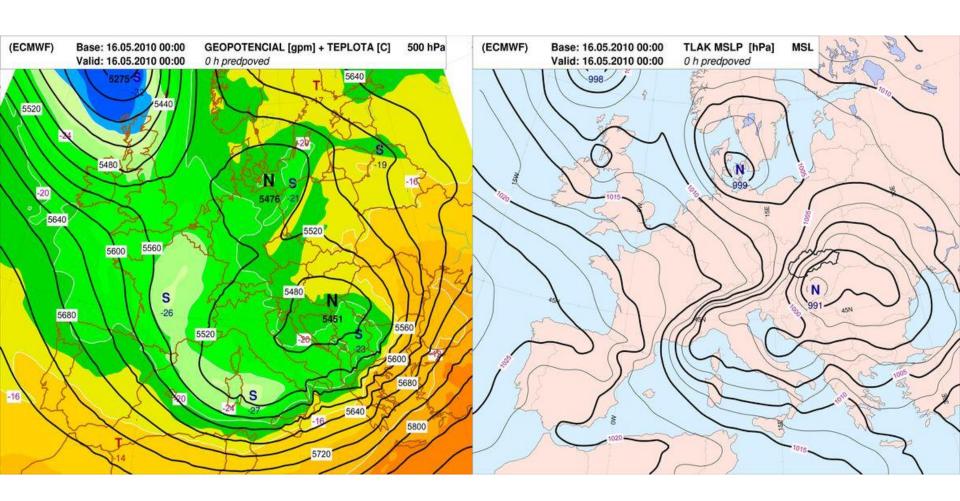
#### Surface pressure field: 13.-17. MAY 2010







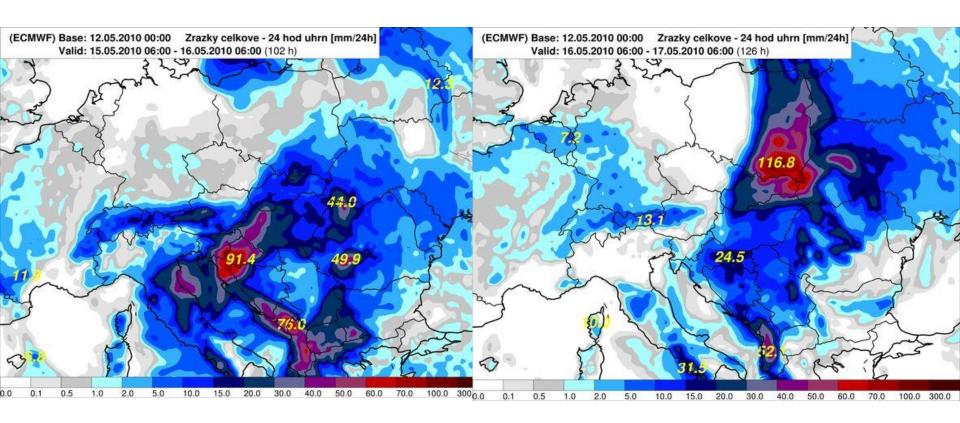
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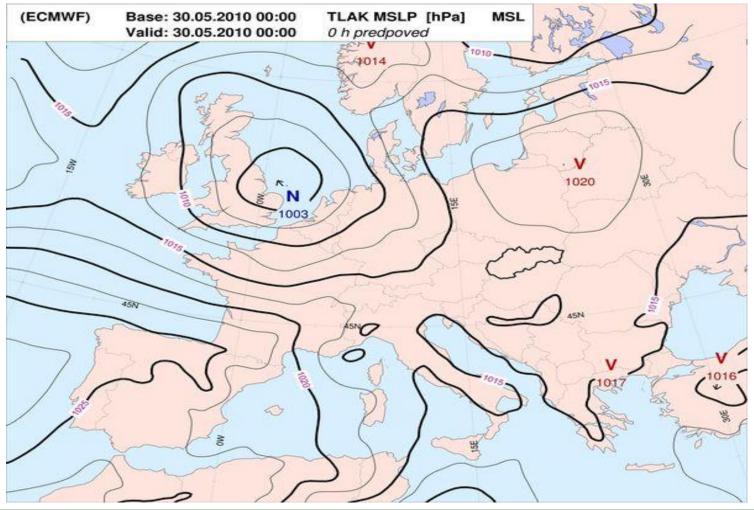
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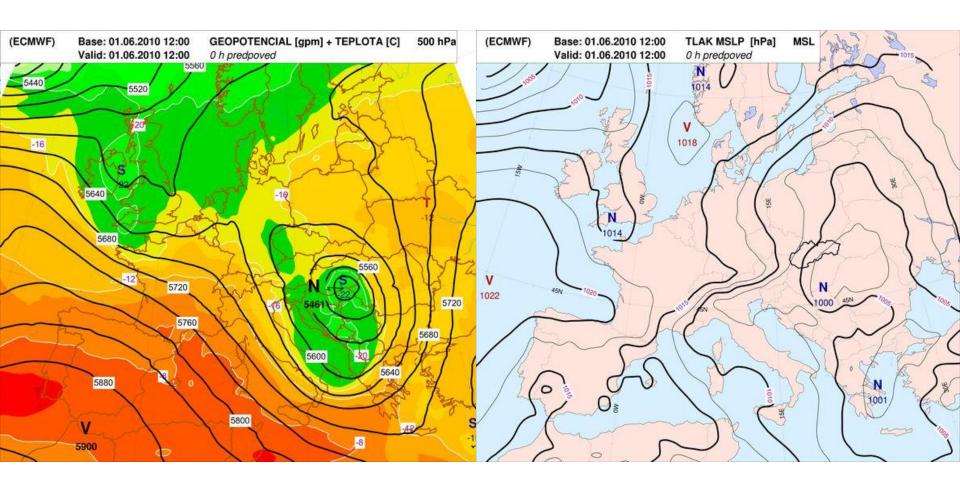
#### Surface pressure field: 30. MAY - 3. JUNE 2010







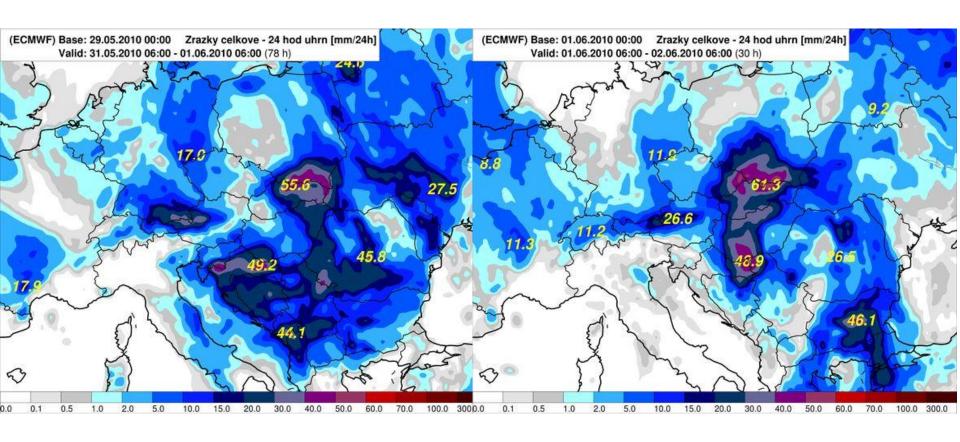
#### 500 hPa level and surface pressure field: 1. JUNE 2010







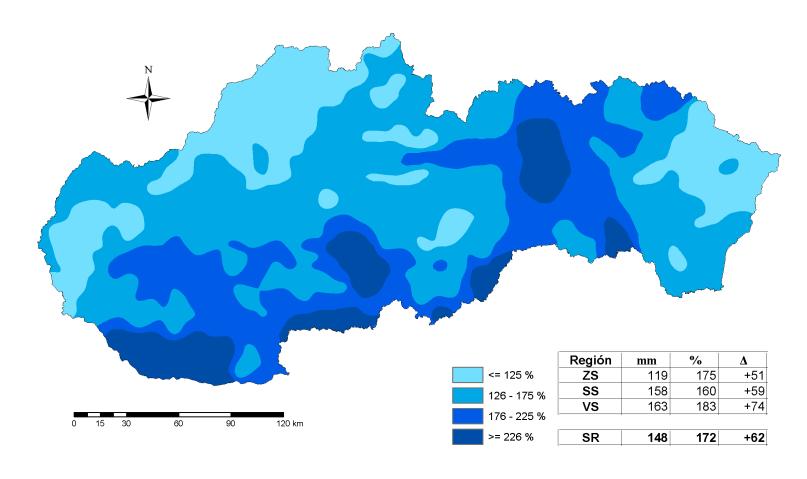
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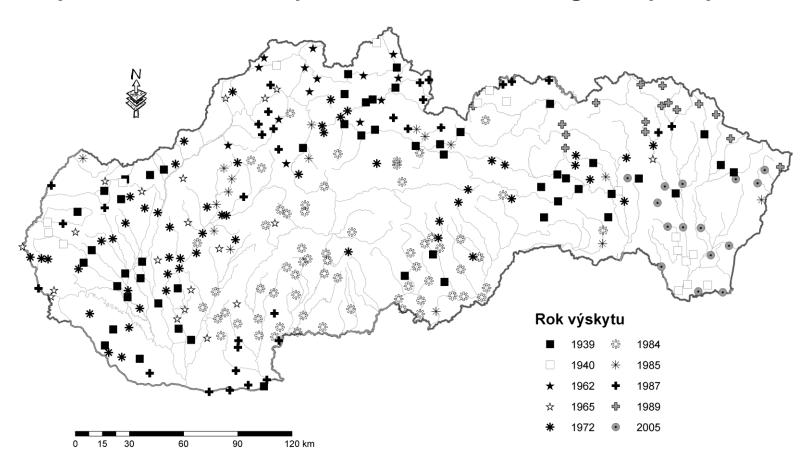
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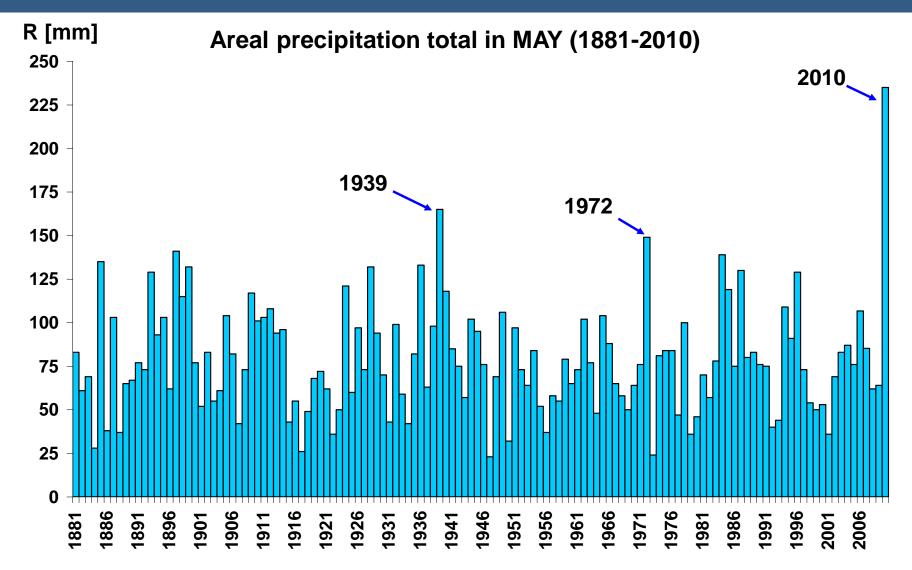


#### Spatial distribution of previous record-breaking MAY precipitation



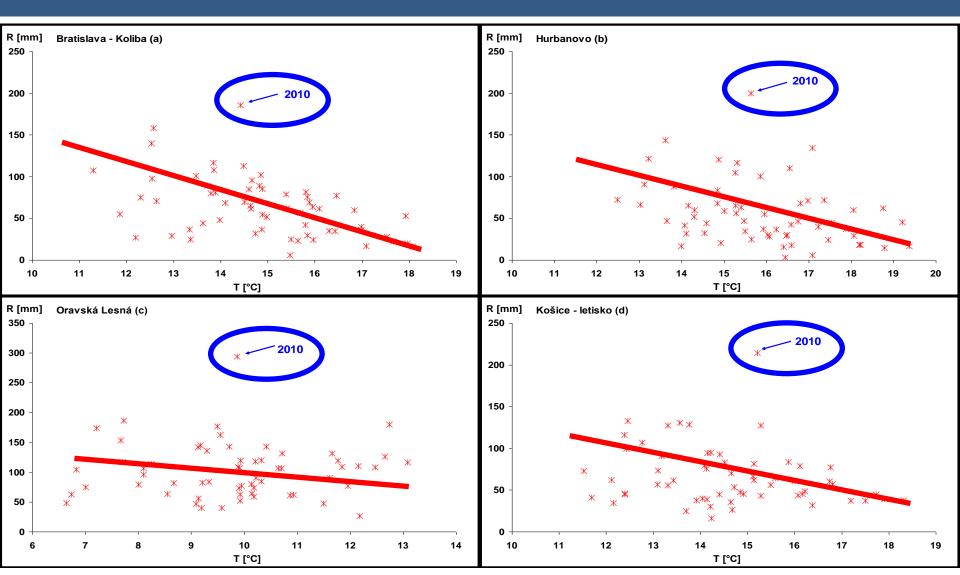








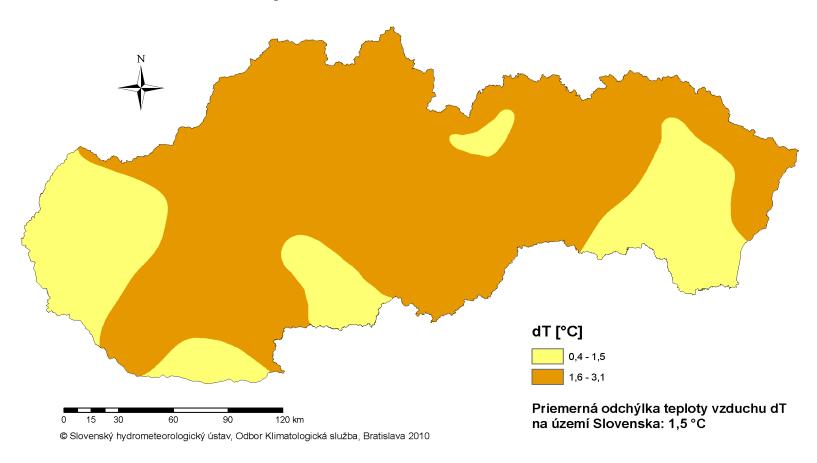








#### June 2010 temperature deviation from 61-90 normal







#### **CONCLUSIONS**

Numerous regions in Slovakia have been stricken by heavy and extensive rainfalls in May and in early June 2010 caused mostly by cyclonic weather situations.

From the long-term precipitation point of view May 2010 was unprecedently record-breaking (at almost 400 MS May precipitation totals were record-breaking)

The rainfalls in May and June 2010 were characterized by theirs exceptional intensity and overall quantity, moreover they hit repeatedly the most flooding-vulnerable river basins in Slovakia.

Additionally, most of these catchments had been sufficiently water-saturated by previous precipitation events, especially in April 2010

Apart from these facts temperature conditions, particularly in May 2010 were either important (above-normal temp. could contribute to generation of extreme precipitation)





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