Supplementary Materials for

Exploring methods for the assessment of temporal trends in mortality and hospitalization in Italian industrially contaminated sites

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Figure 3c-3d

For each year of observation, in each selected NCPS, for both males and females, ratios between hospitalization rates in the NCPSs and in the reference regions are computed.

Figure 4

LOESS curves built on mortality and hospitalization rates, for the two selected causes (General mortality, All natural causes of hospitalization).

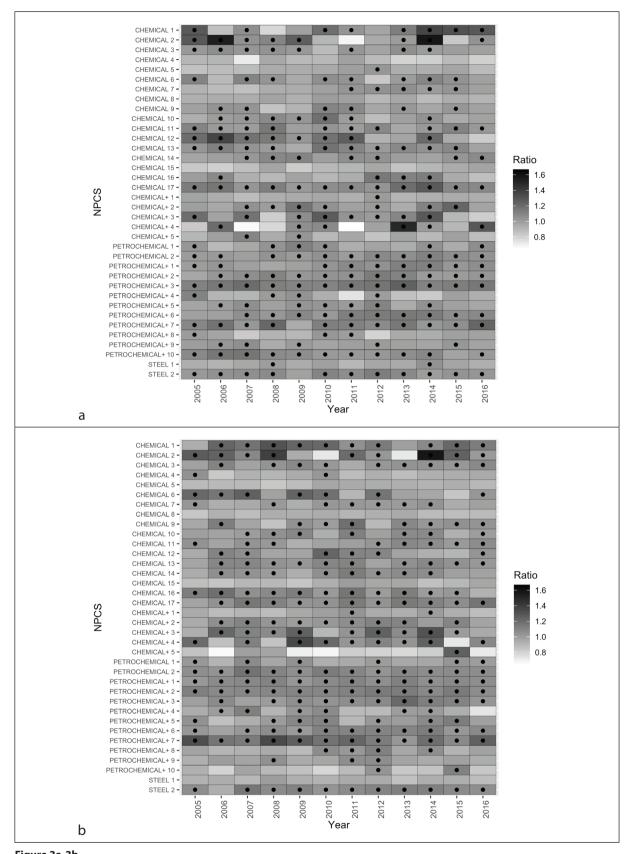


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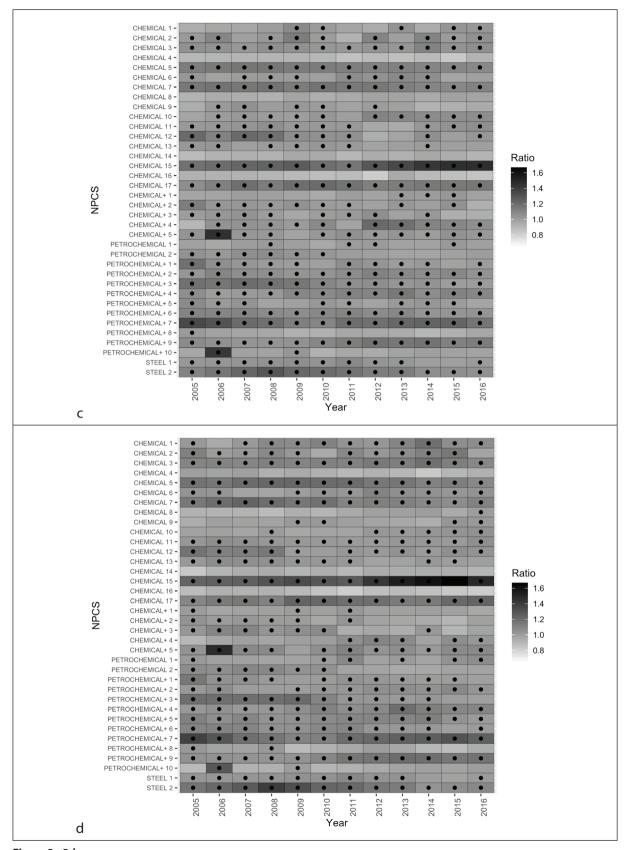


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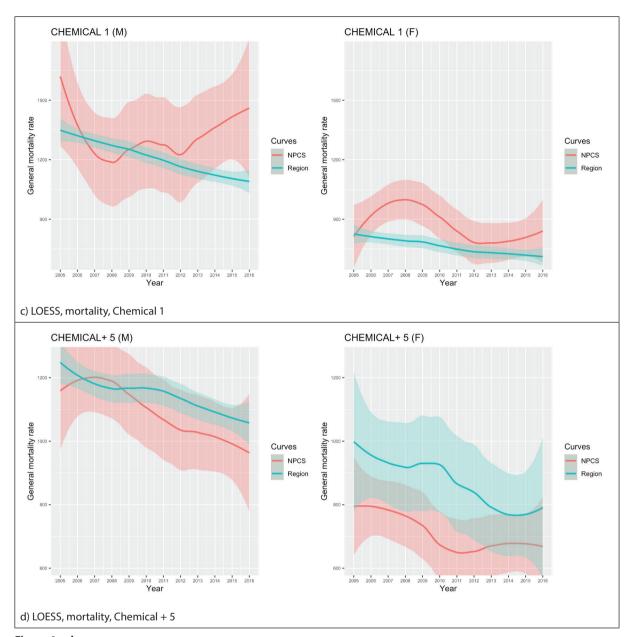
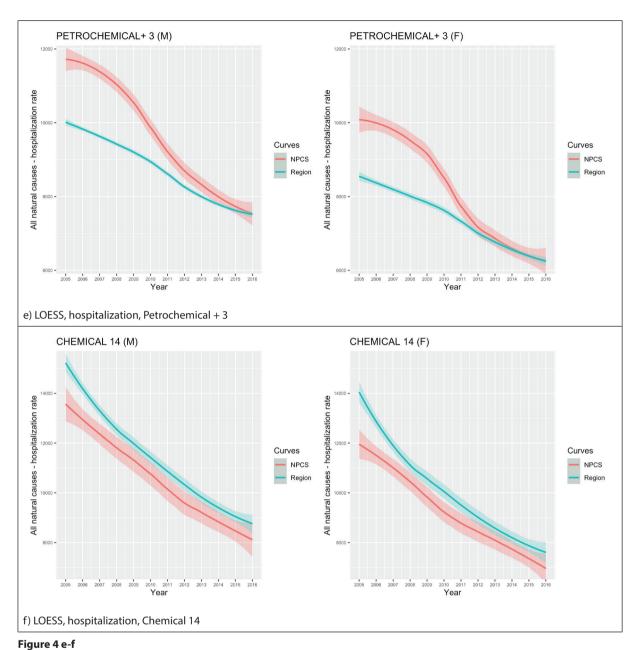


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