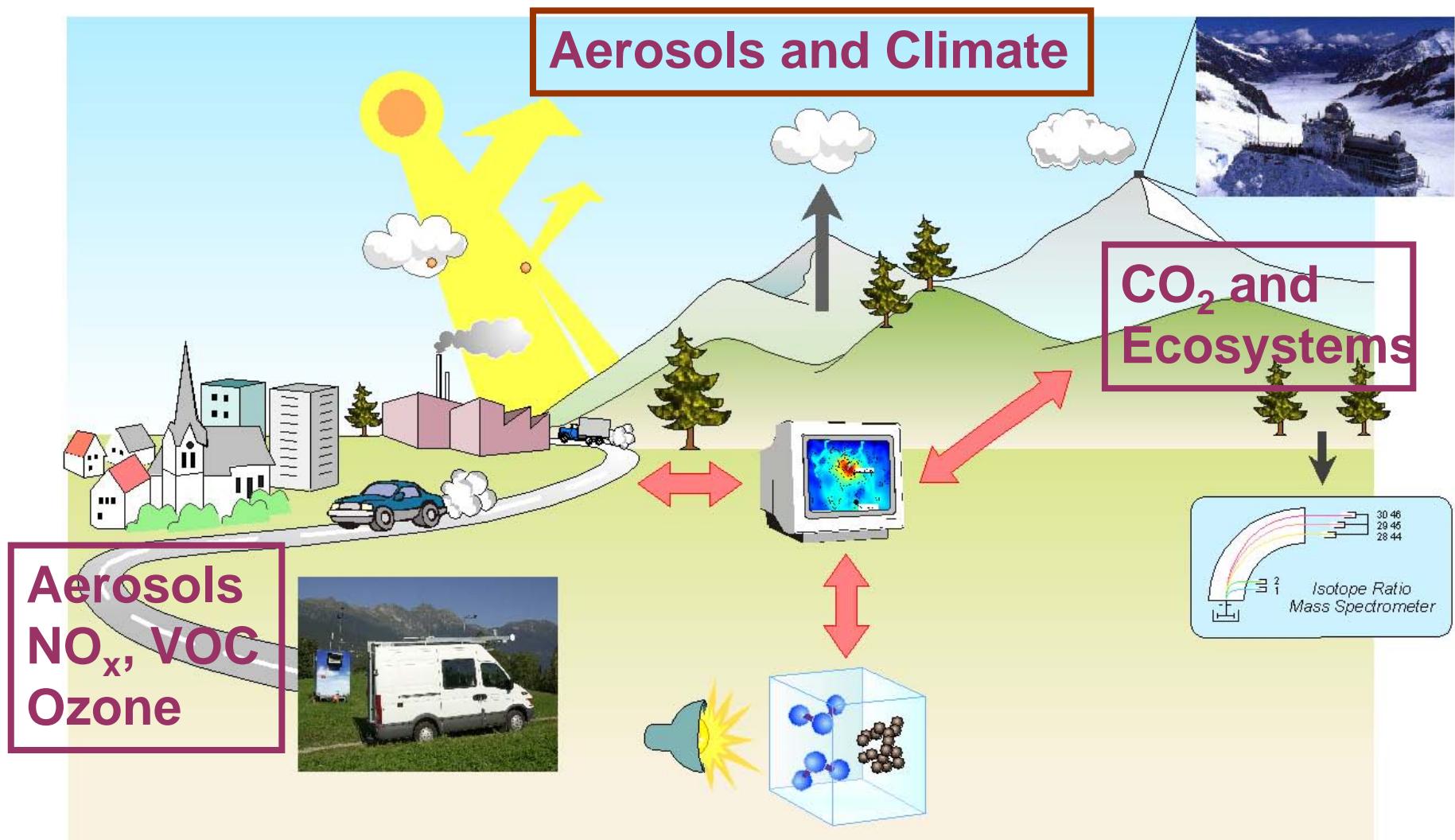


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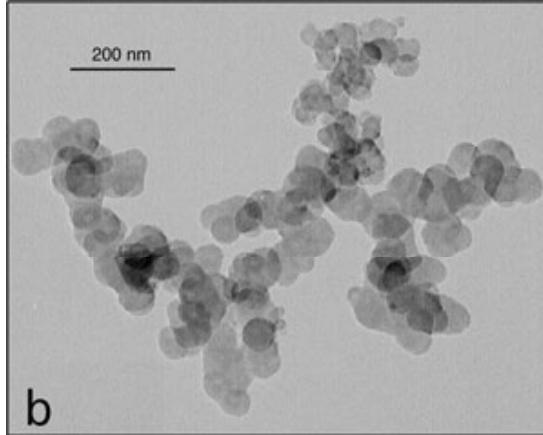


Aerosols

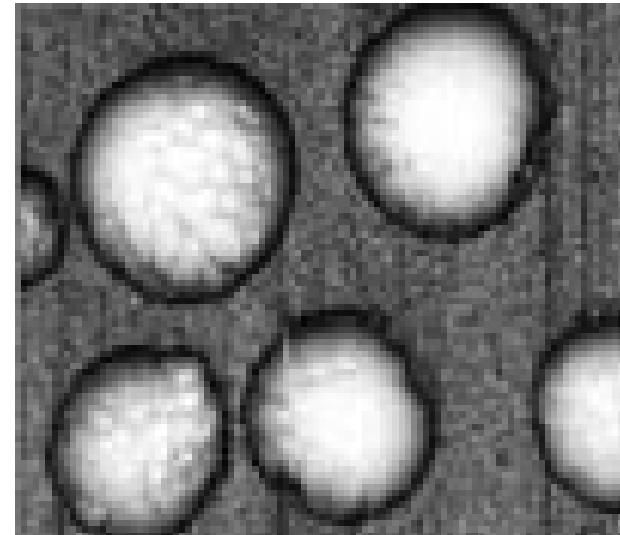
**Definition: PM10 =
Particles with aerodynamic diameter <10µm**

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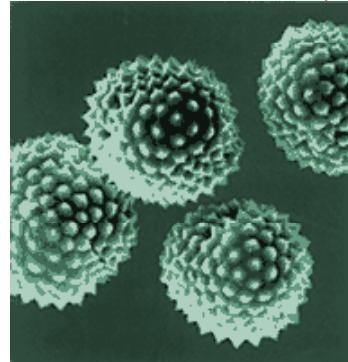
Diesel soot: ca. 0.1 µm



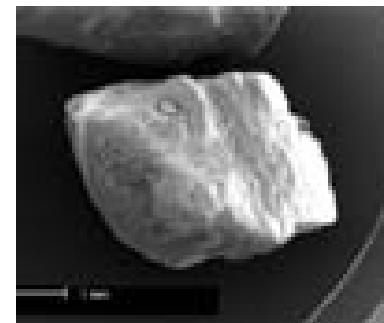
Ammonium sulfate: ca. 0.1 µm



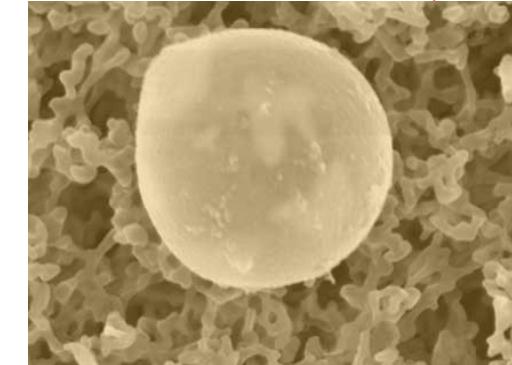
Pollen: 10 - 100 µm



Sea salt: 0.2 - 10 µm

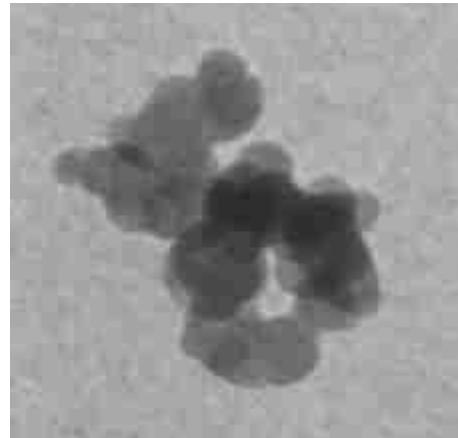


Mineral dust: 0.2 - 10 µm



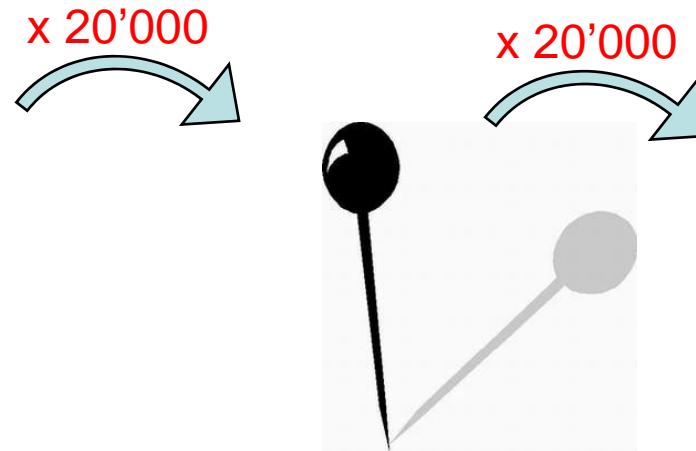
How big are aerosol particles?

Size relationships



Diesel soot

100 Nanometer (nm)
 =
 0.1 micrometer (μm)
 =
 0.0001 millimeter (mm)



Pin head

2'000'000 nanometer (nm)
 =
 2'000 micrometer (μm)
 =
 2 Millimeter (mm)



Hot air balloon

40'000'000 micrometer (μm)
 =
 40'000 millimeter (mm)
 =
 40 Meter (m)

In one cubiccentimeter of air: typically 10'000 particles

Aerosols

- Primary and secondary particles and size distributions
- Instrumentation
- Climate
- Health
- Source identification

	Northern Hemisphere	Southern Hemisphere	Global	Low	High	Source
Carbonaceous aerosols						
Organic Matter (0–2 µm)						
Biomass burning	28	26	54	45	80	Liousse <i>et al.</i> (1996), Scholes and Andreae (2000)
Fossil fuel	28	0.4	28	10	30	Cook <i>et al.</i> (1999), Penner <i>et al.</i> (1993)
Biogenic (>1µm)	—	—	56	0	90	Penner (1995)
Black Carbon (0–2 µm)						
Biomass burning	2.9	2.7	5.7	5	9	Liousse <i>et al.</i> (1996); Scholes and Andreae (2000)
Fossil fuel	6.5	0.1	6.6	6	8	Cooke <i>et al.</i> (1999); Penner <i>et al.</i> (1993)
Aircraft	0.005	0.0004	0.006			
Industrial Dust, etc. (> 1 µm)			100	40	130	Wolf and Hidy (1997); Andreae (1995) Gong <i>et al.</i> (1998)
Sea Salt						
d< 1 µm	23	31	54	18	100	
d=1–16µm	1,420	1,870	3,290	1,000	6,000	
Total	1,440	1,900	3,340	1,000	6,000	
Mineral (Soil) Dust ^b						
d< 1 µm	90	17	110	—	—	
d=1–2µm	240	50	290	—	—	
d=2–20µm	1,470	282	1,750	—	—	
Total	1,800	349	2,150	1,000	3,000	

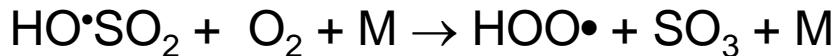
^a Range reflects estimates reported in the literature. The actual range of uncertainty may encompass values larger and smaller than those reported here.

^b Source inventory prepared by P. Ginoux for the IPCC Model Intercomparison Workshop.

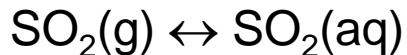


Formation of secondary aerosol

- **Sulfate, homogeneous reaction:**



- **Sulfate, heterogeneous reaction:**

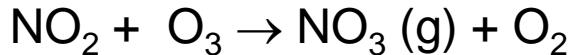


Oxidation with H_2O_2 , Ozon, NO_2 , ...

- **Nitrate, homogeneous reaction :**



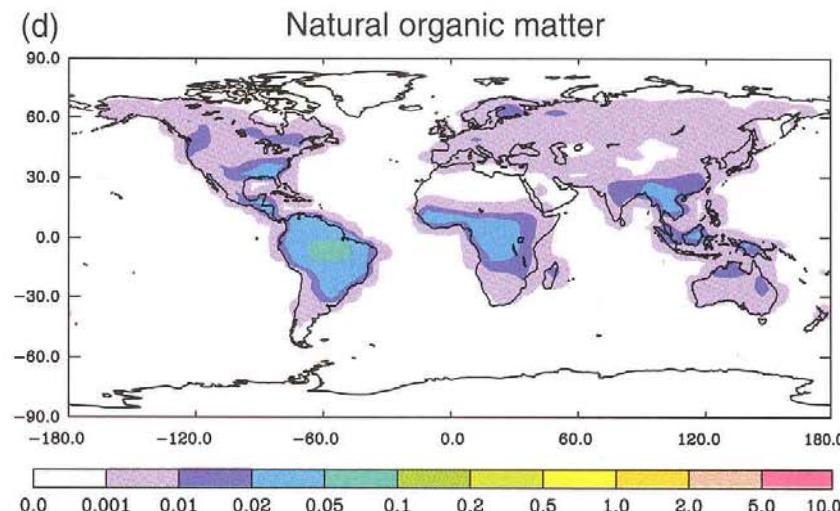
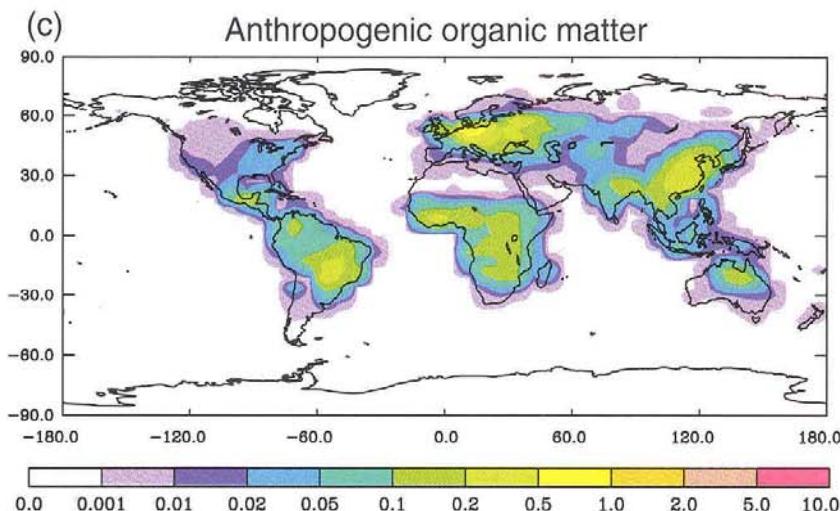
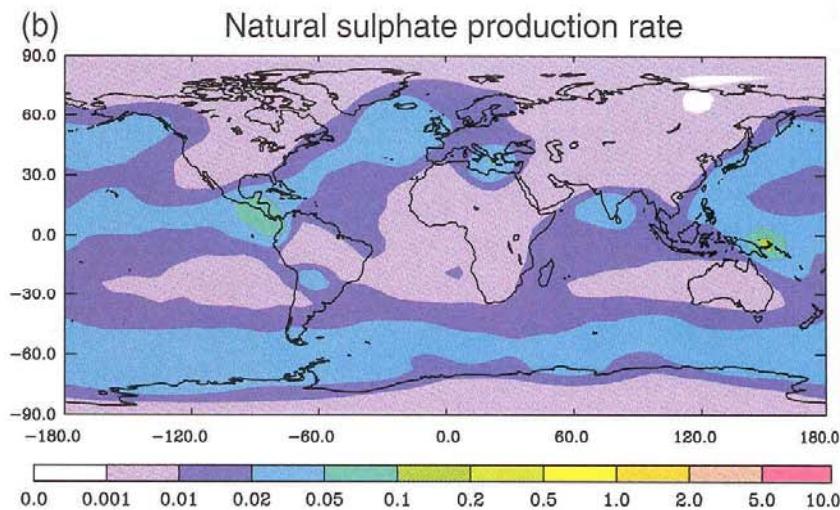
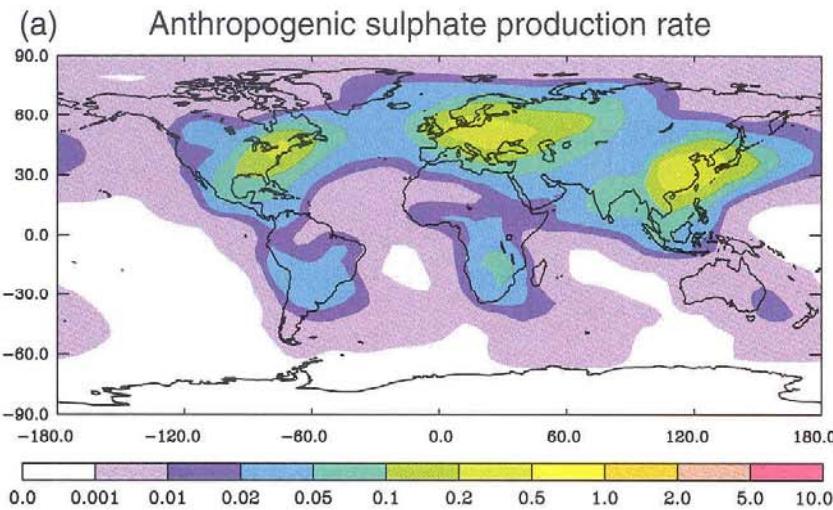
- **Nitrate, heterogeneous reaction :**



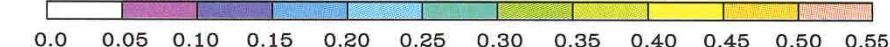
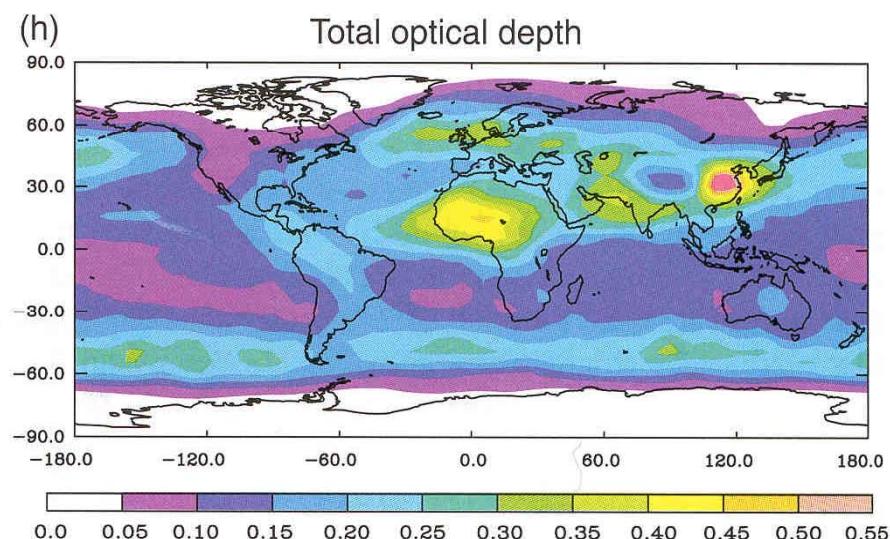
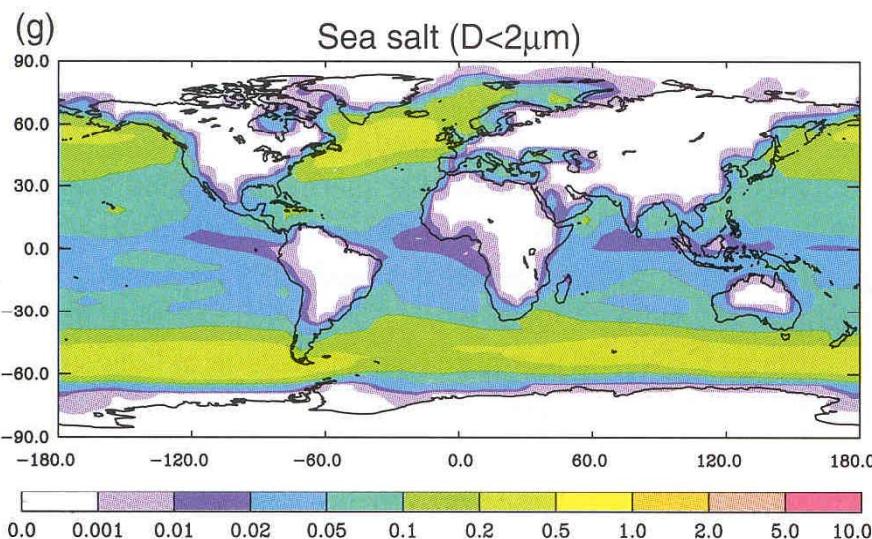
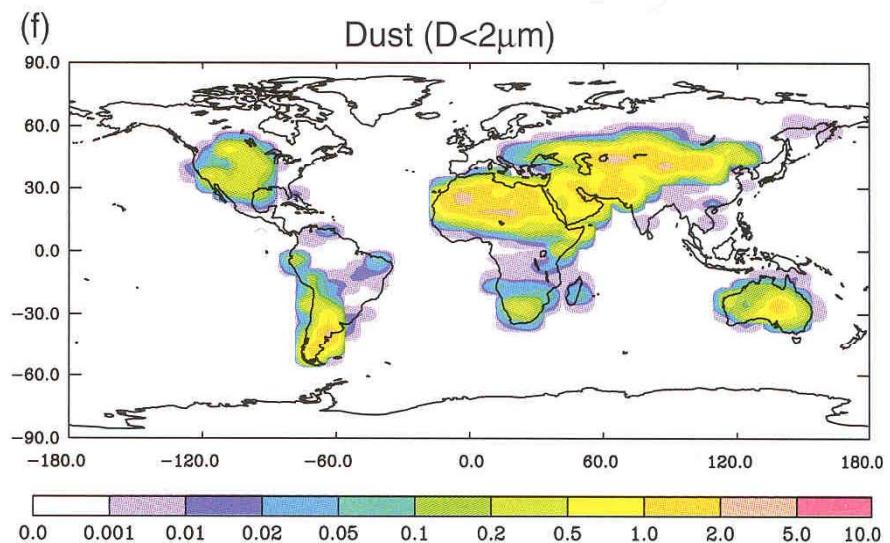
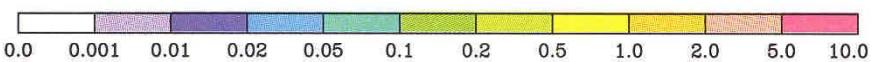
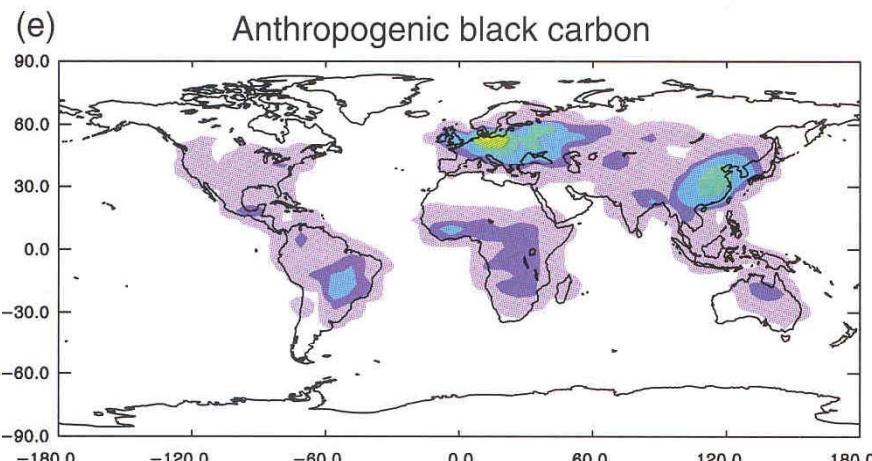
- **Organics:**

$\text{VOC} + \text{OH}, \text{O}_3, \dots \rightarrow \text{SOA}$ (secondary organic aerosol)

Source strengths of sulfate and organic carbon ($\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{ hr}^{-1}$)



Source strengths of black carbon, mineral dust and sea salt ($\text{kg m}^{-2} \text{ hr}^{-1}$)



Size distributions of aerosol particles

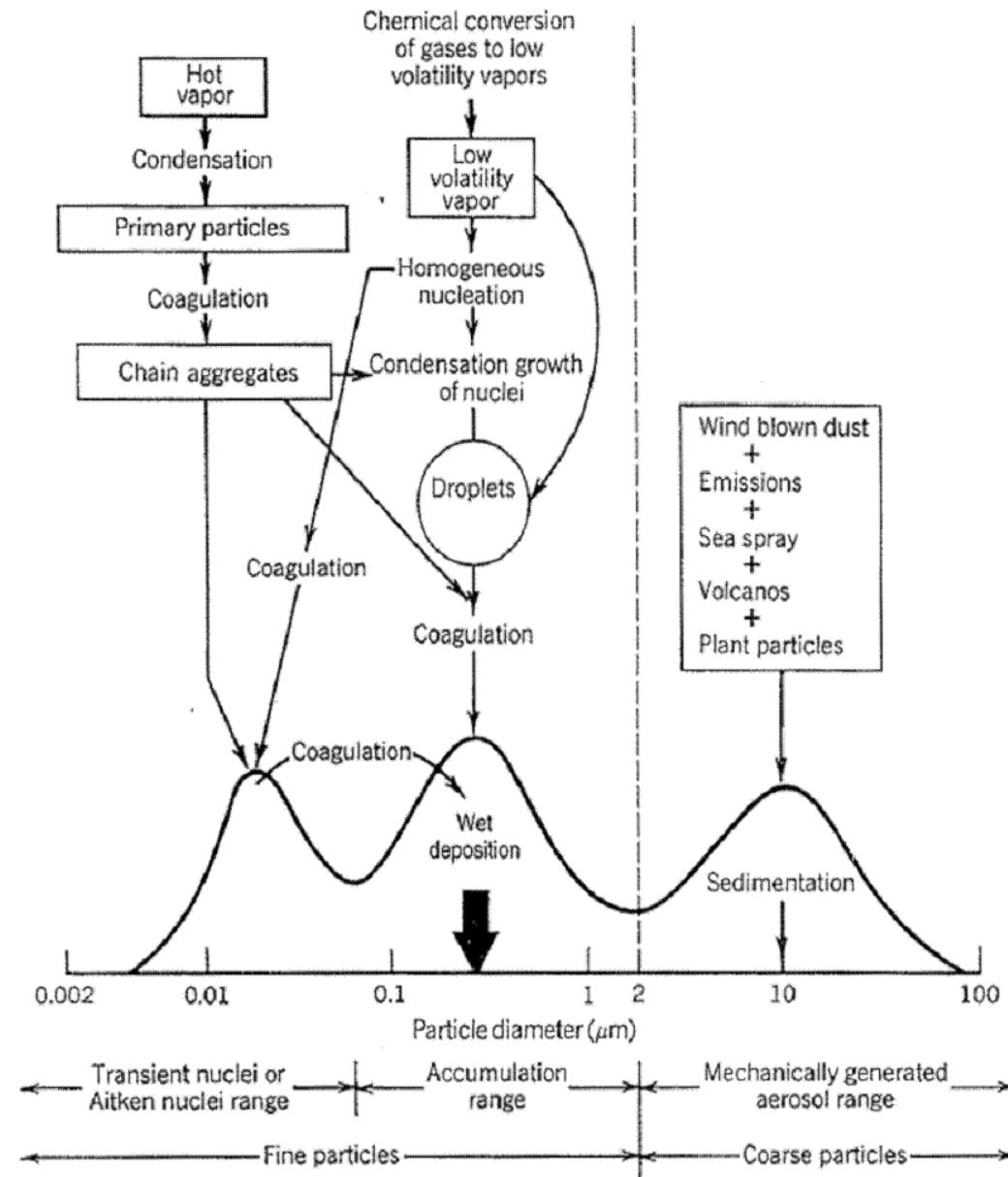
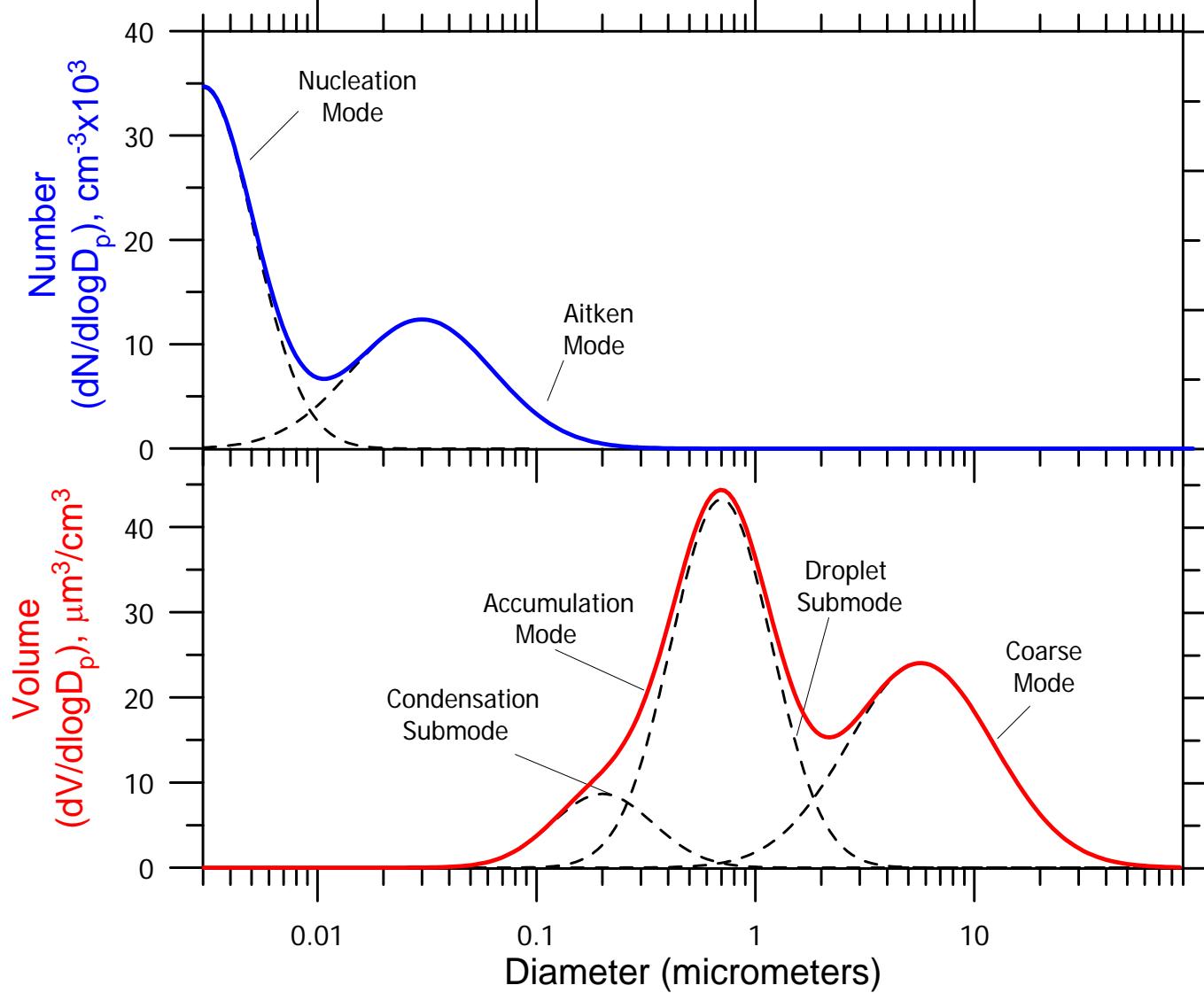
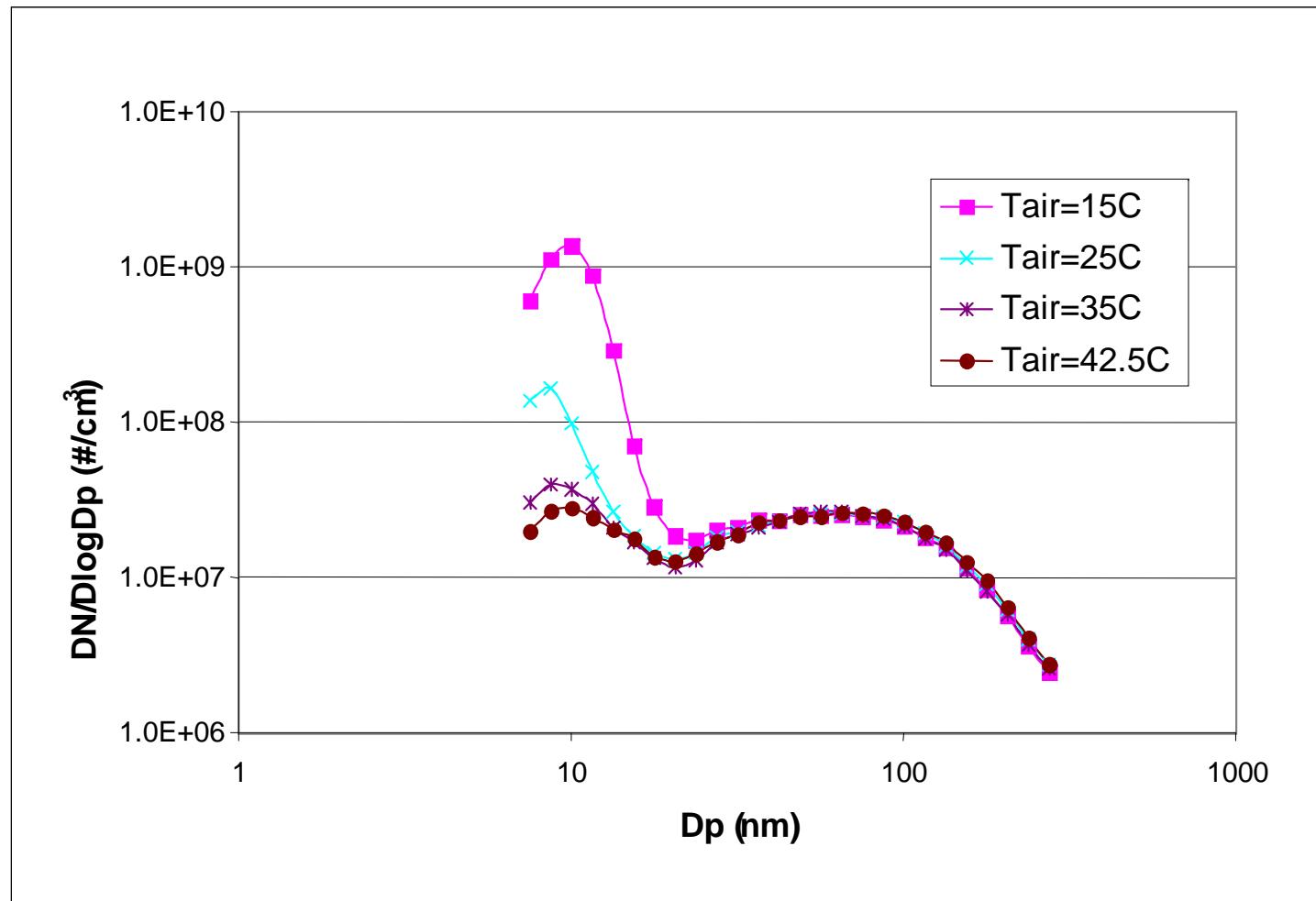


Figure 2.1. Schematic of aerosol sources, transformation mechanisms and sinks (modified after Whitby and Sverdrup (1980)).

Aerosol Size Distribution



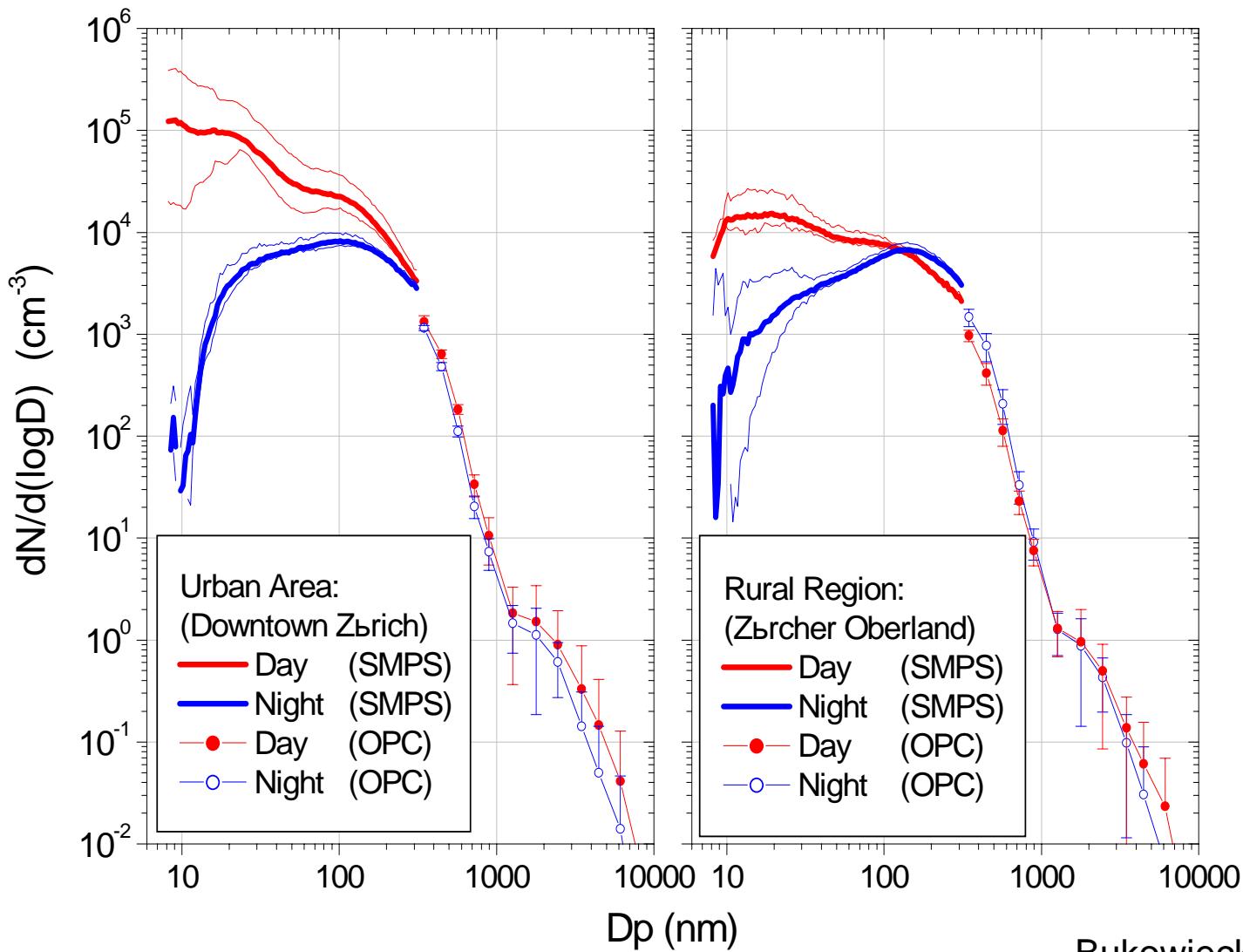
Traffic emissions: Influence of dilution temperature



Kittelson et al. (2000)

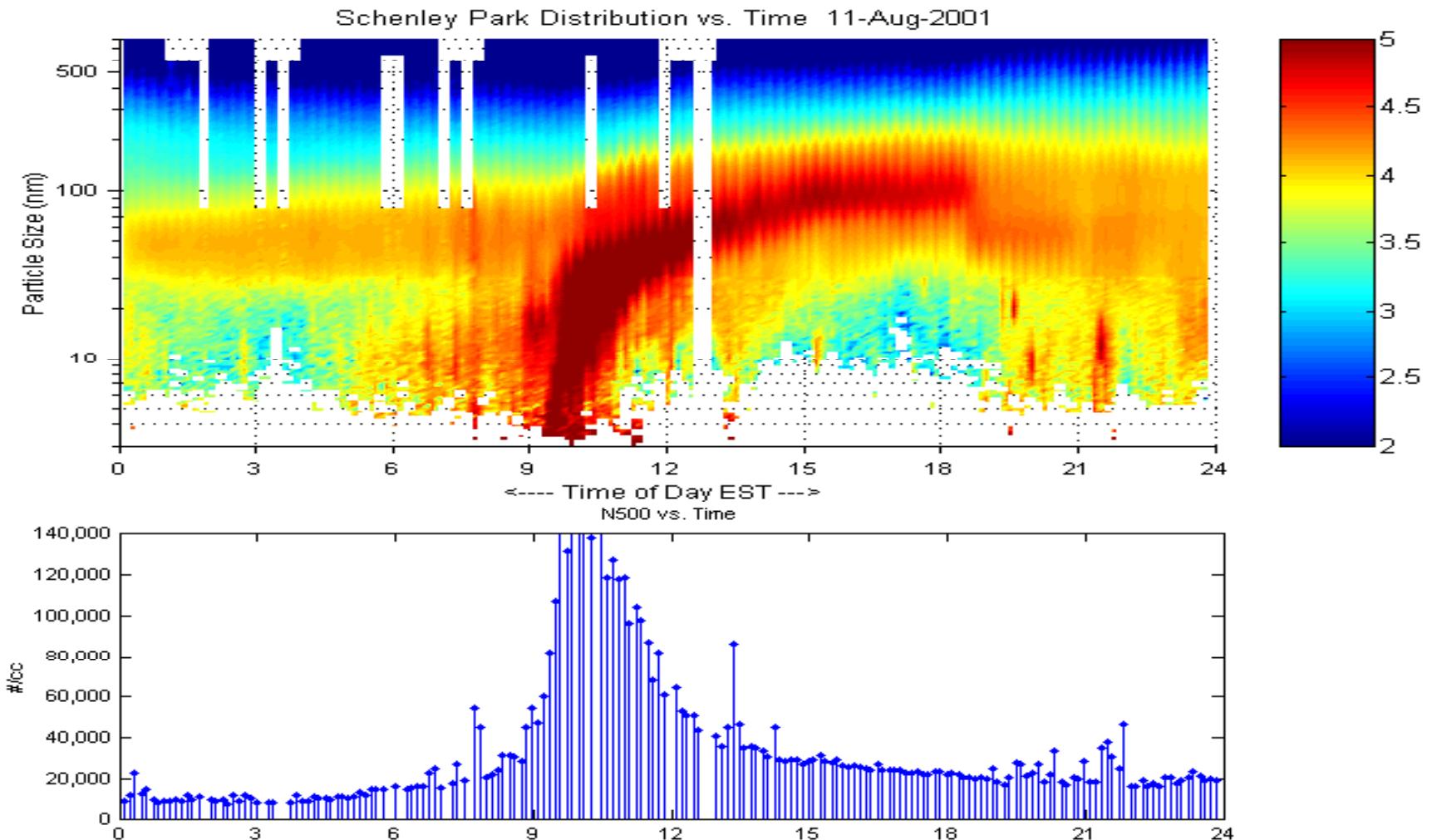
Size distribution in and around Zürich (day, night):

smallest particles are 10 times more abundant in the city compared to the country side and 100 times more abundant during the day than in the night



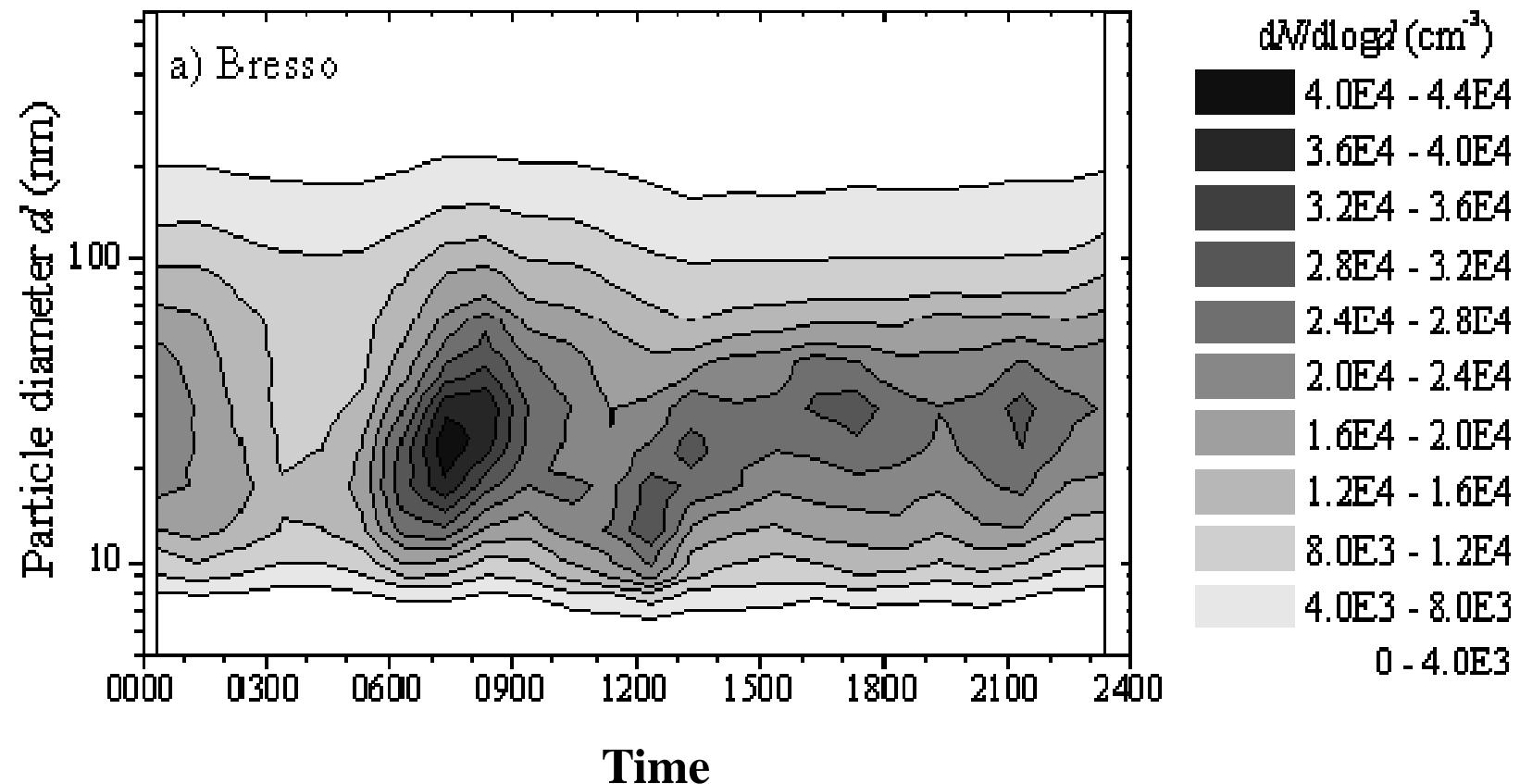
Bukowiecki et al., 2002

Nucleation and Growth in Pittsburgh (August 11, 2001)



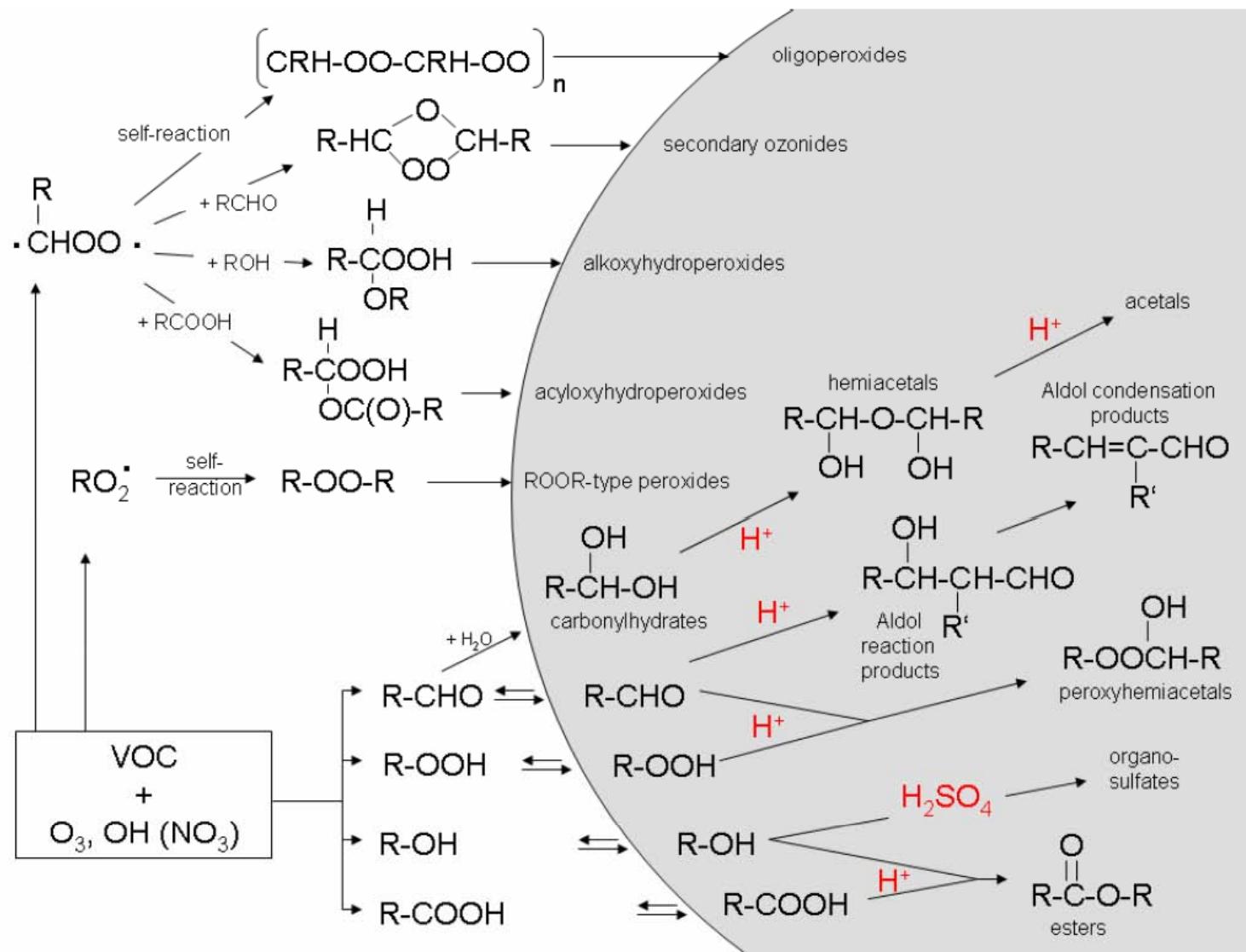
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Size distributions in Milan: Evidence for primary and secondary particle formation



Baltensperger et al., 2002

Secondary organic aerosol production



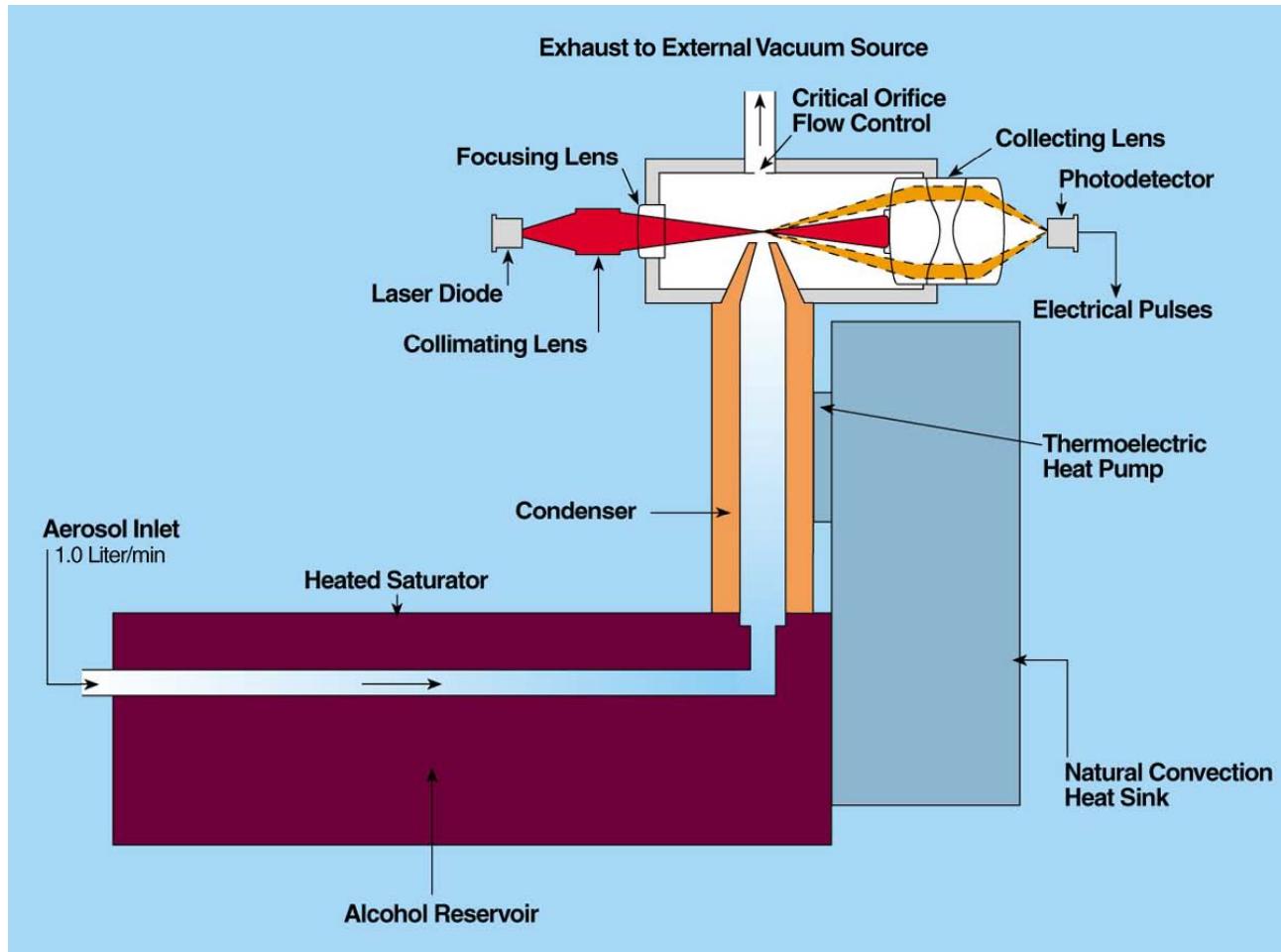
Terminology: Primary versus secondary

- Primary particles: directly emitted to the atmosphere
- Secondary particles: formed in the atmosphere by condensation (nucleation and growth)
after chemical transformation
- How about oxidized primary particles ?
→ aged primary (not secondary as Fuzzi et al. 2006 suggested)
- How about primary particles that evaporate on dilution and condense after oxidation (Robinson et al., 2007) ?
→ secondary

Measurement Techniques

- Number
- Number size distribution
- Mass
- Optical properties
- Aerosol composition (off-line / on-line)

Condensation Particle Counter (CPC)

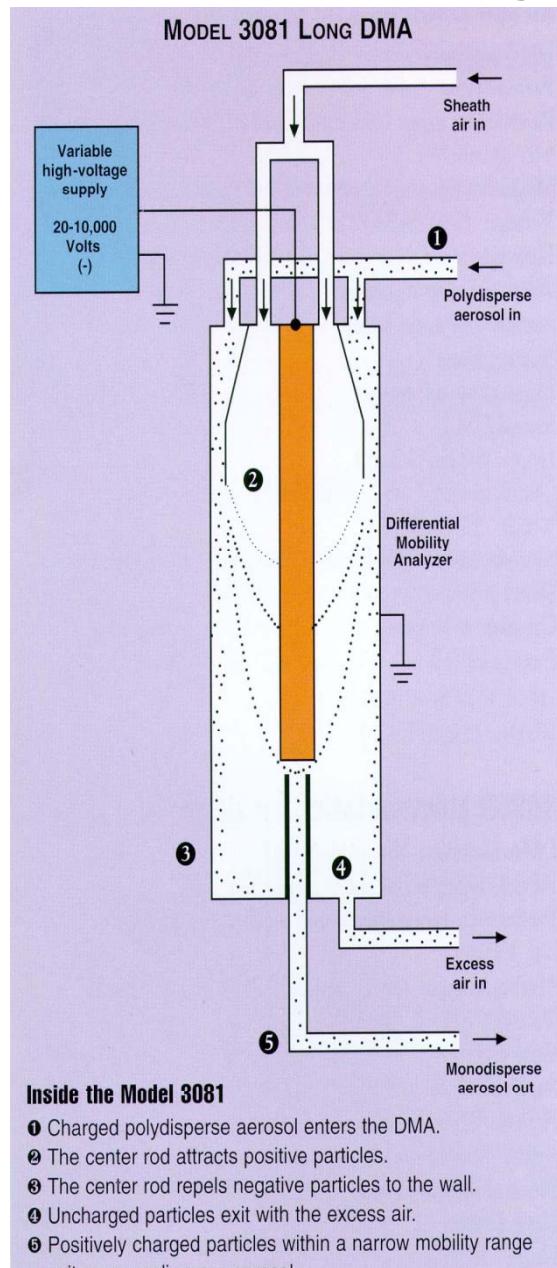


Example: TSI CPC 3010

Lowest detectable diameter: $D = 10 \text{ nm}$

Maximum particle concentration: 10^4 cm^{-3}

Measuring the electrical mobility with a Differential Mobility Analyzers (DMA)



Measurable sizes: $D=3\text{-}150 \text{ nm}$ or $20\text{-}900 \text{ nm}$
A scan is possible within 60-300 seconds

Principle:

- Defined electrical charging of the particles with radiocative source
- The aerosol flows laminarily through cylindric condensator
- An electrical field force the particles depending on their electrical mobility to move toward the inner electrode.
- Particles of a specific mobility ($b=v_p/E$) are sucked through a gap at the inner electrode and are detected (typically by a CPC) afterwards.

$$b_{mech} = \frac{\ln(r_{out}/r_{in})}{2\pi \cdot h} \cdot \frac{Q}{U \cdot ne} \quad b(D_p) = \frac{C_c(D_p)}{3\pi\eta \cdot D_p}$$

Q : total gas flow through DMA;

h, r_{in}, r_{out} : height, and inner and outer diameter of DMA cylinder;

U : applied voltage;

e : elementary charge, $1.602\text{e-}19 \text{ As}$;

n : number of elementary charges on aerosol particle.

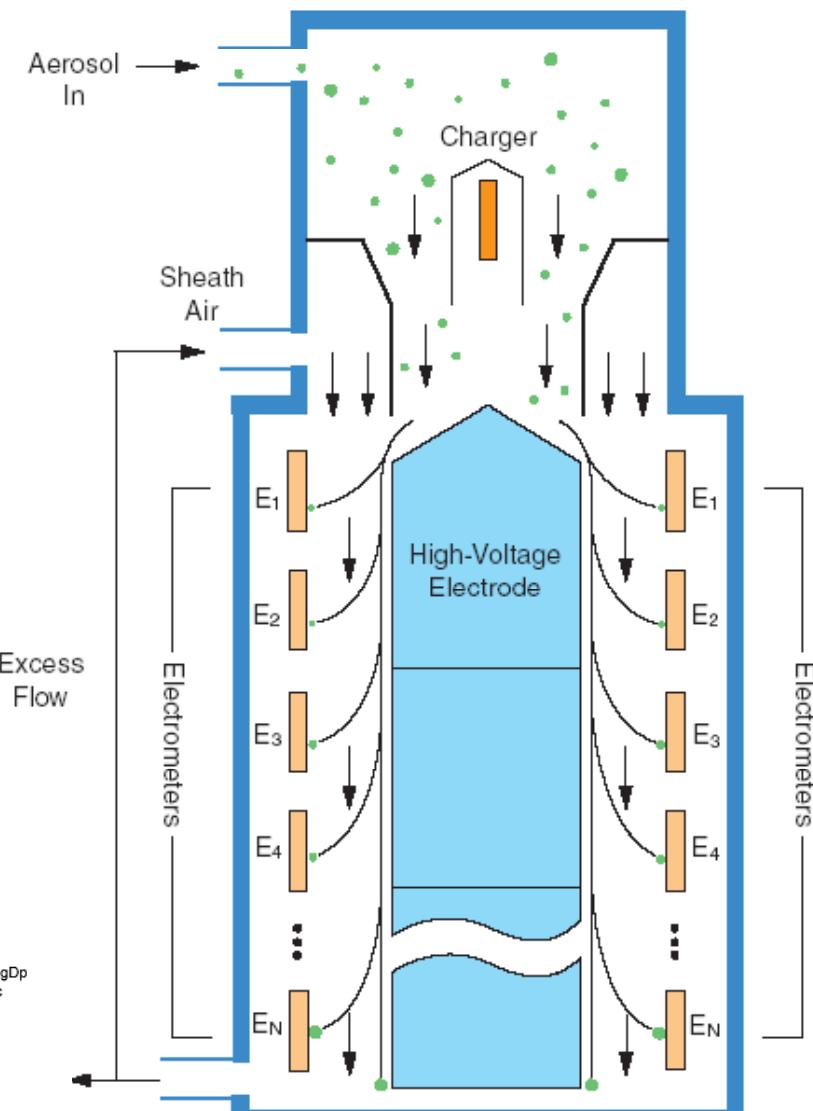
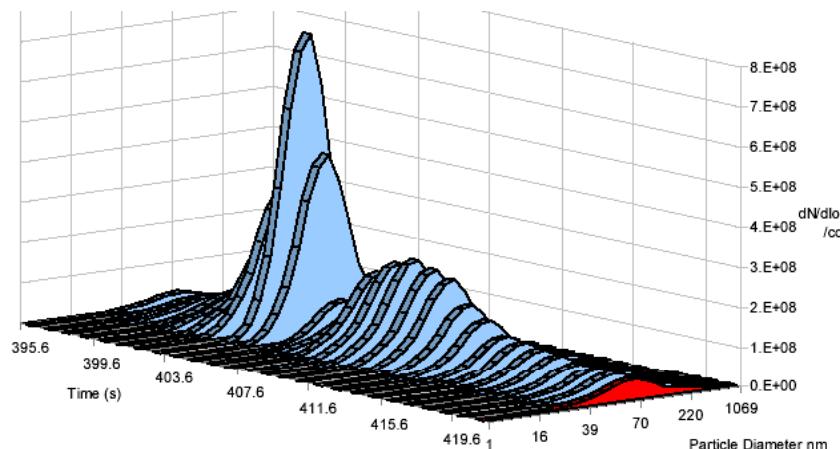
η : viscosity of gas, air $\sim 1.81\text{e-}5 \text{ Ns/m}^2$;

Fast Analyzers:

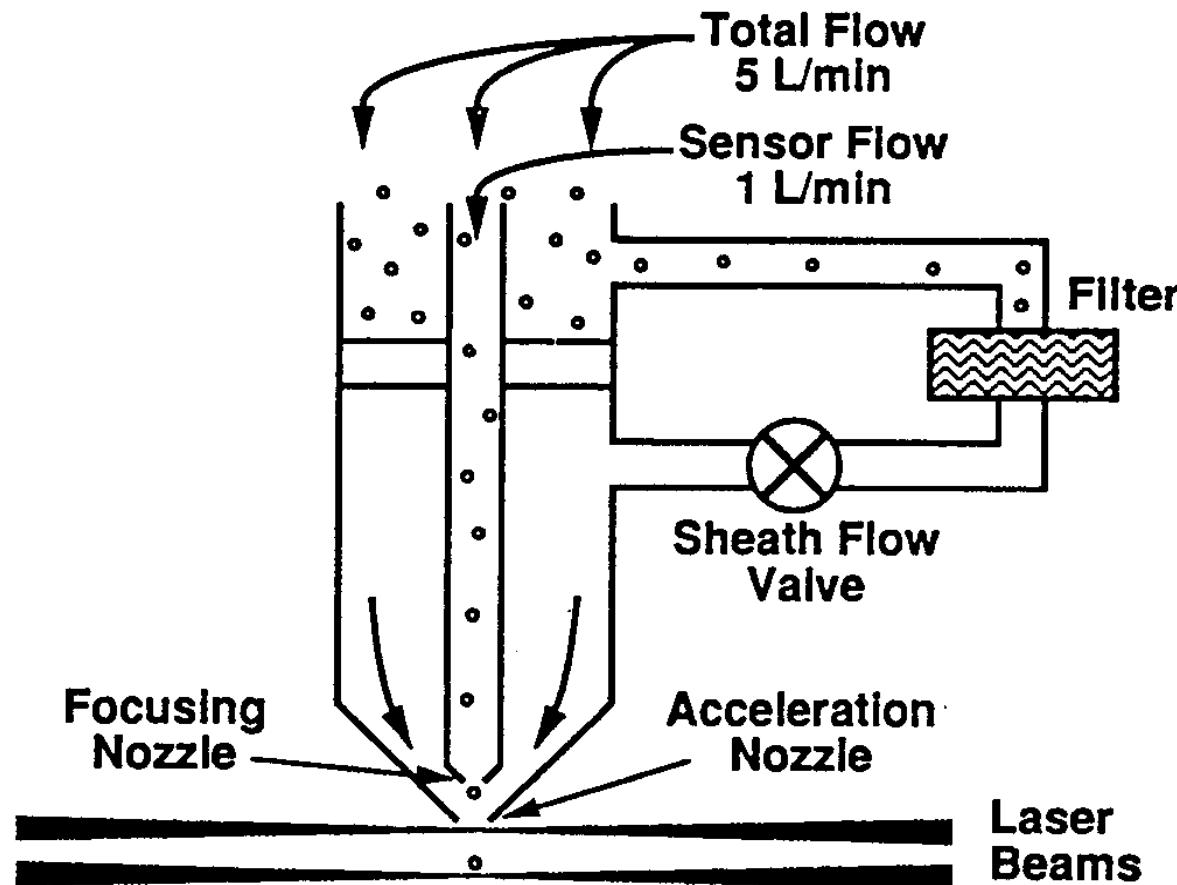
- EEPS Engine Exhaust Particle Spectrometer. Scan time typ. 2 sec.
- FPS Fast Particle Spectrometer (similar to EEPS)
- FMPS Fast Mobility Particle Sizer (ambient air version of EEPS)

Engine Exhaust Particle Sizer Spectrometer (EEPS, TSI)

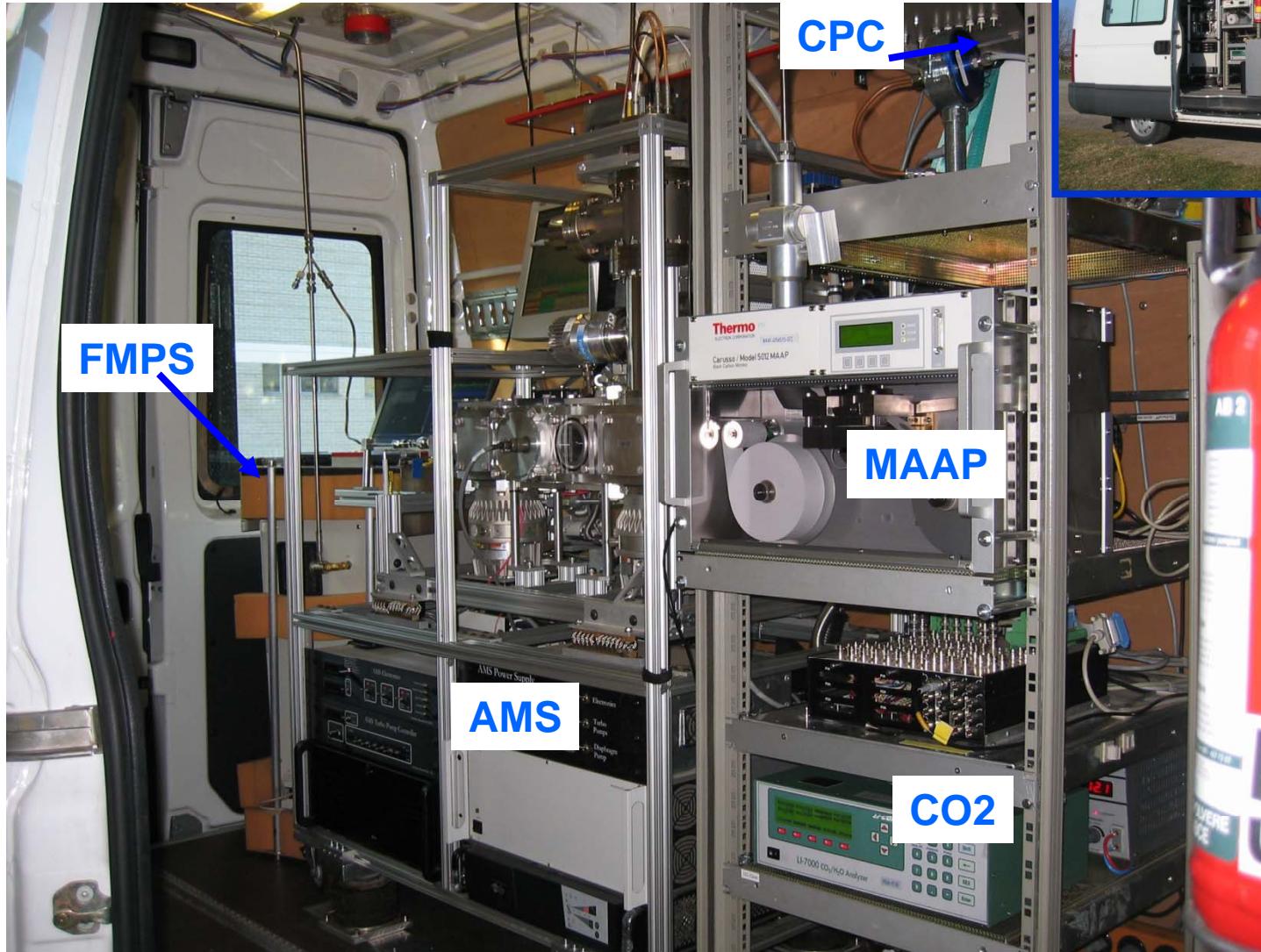
Fast Particle Spectrometer (DMS500, Cambustion)



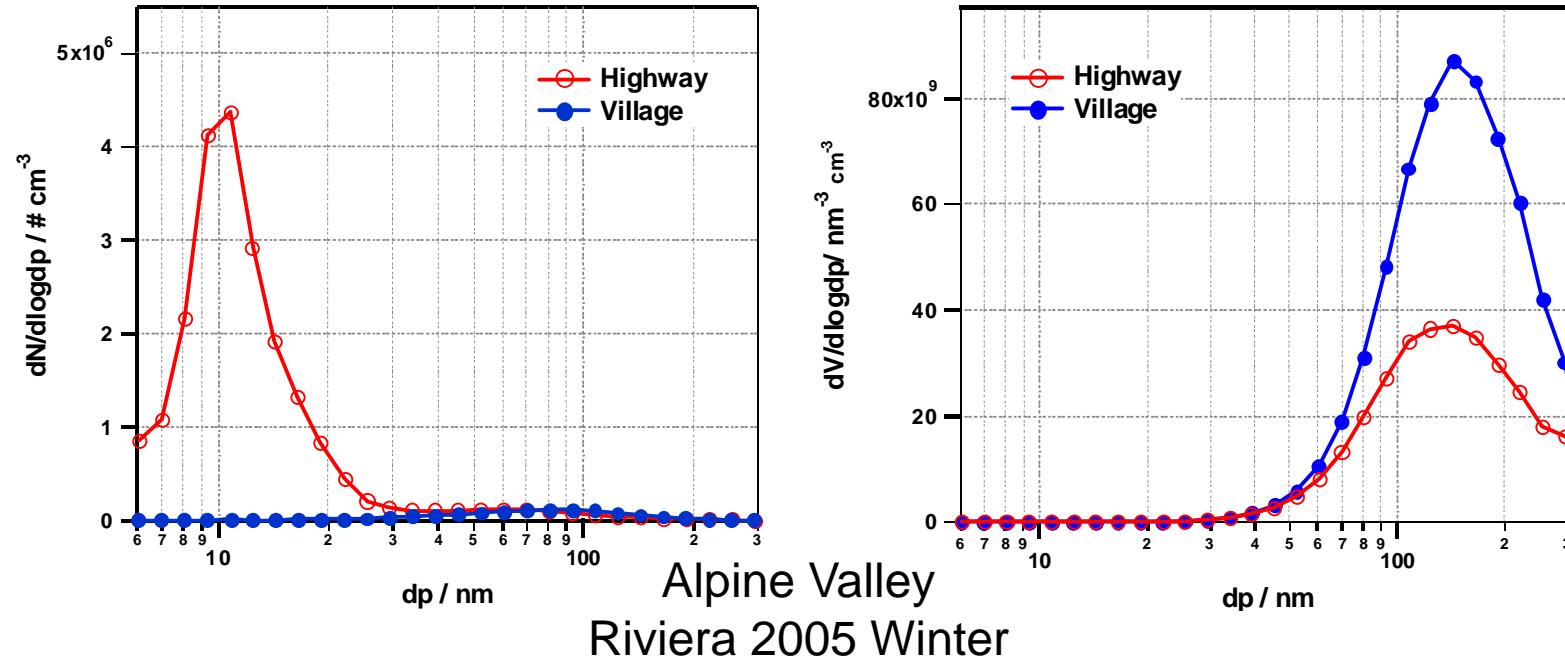
Aerodynamic particle sizer



The PSI mobile laboratory



Aerosol size distribution (5.6-560 nm) in an Alpine valley

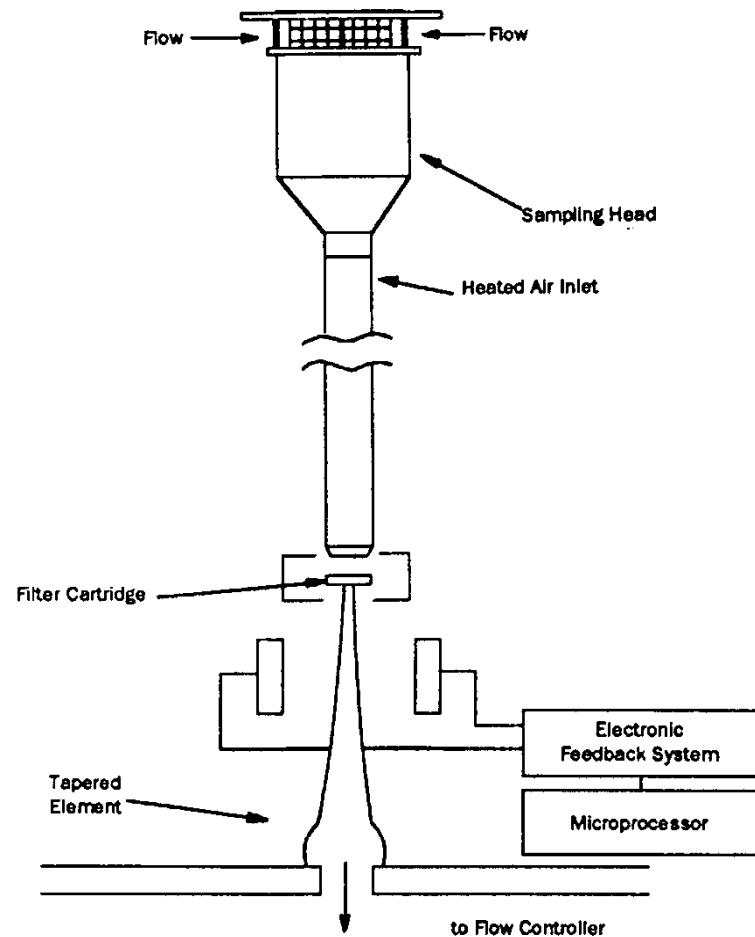


- Consistent picture : Nanoparticle concentrations <30 nanometers very high on highway
- In villages : much lower nanoparticle concentrations, in case of high wood burning contribution, higher volume concentration

Particulate mass

- Filters and gravimetric analysis
- On-line : e.g. Betameters, TEOM

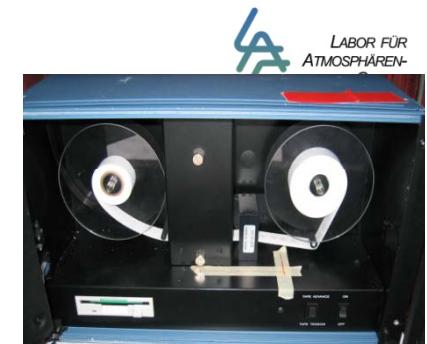
Tapered element oscillating microbalance (TEOM)





“Lambert-Beer’s Law”

Optical instruments e.g. light absorption by aethalometer

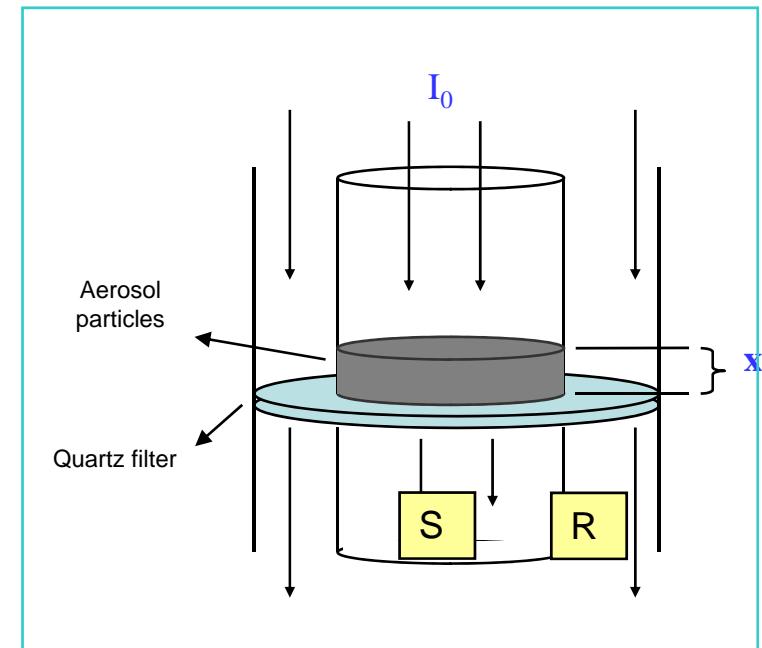


$$I = I_0 e^{-b_{\text{abs}} \cdot x}$$

“Optical attenuation” $\text{ATN} = 100 \times \ln\left(\frac{I_0}{I}\right) = 100 \times \ln\left(\frac{I_r}{I_s}\right)$

For the time interval $\Delta t = t_2 - t_1$:

$$\Delta \text{ATN} = \ln\left(\frac{I_r(t_2)}{I_s(t_2)}\right) - \ln\left(\frac{I_r(t_1)}{I_s(t_1)}\right)$$



The attenuation coefficient (filtered aerosol)

$$b_{\text{ATN}} = \frac{A}{Q} \frac{\Delta \text{ATN}}{\Delta t}$$

The absorption coefficient (airborne aerosol)

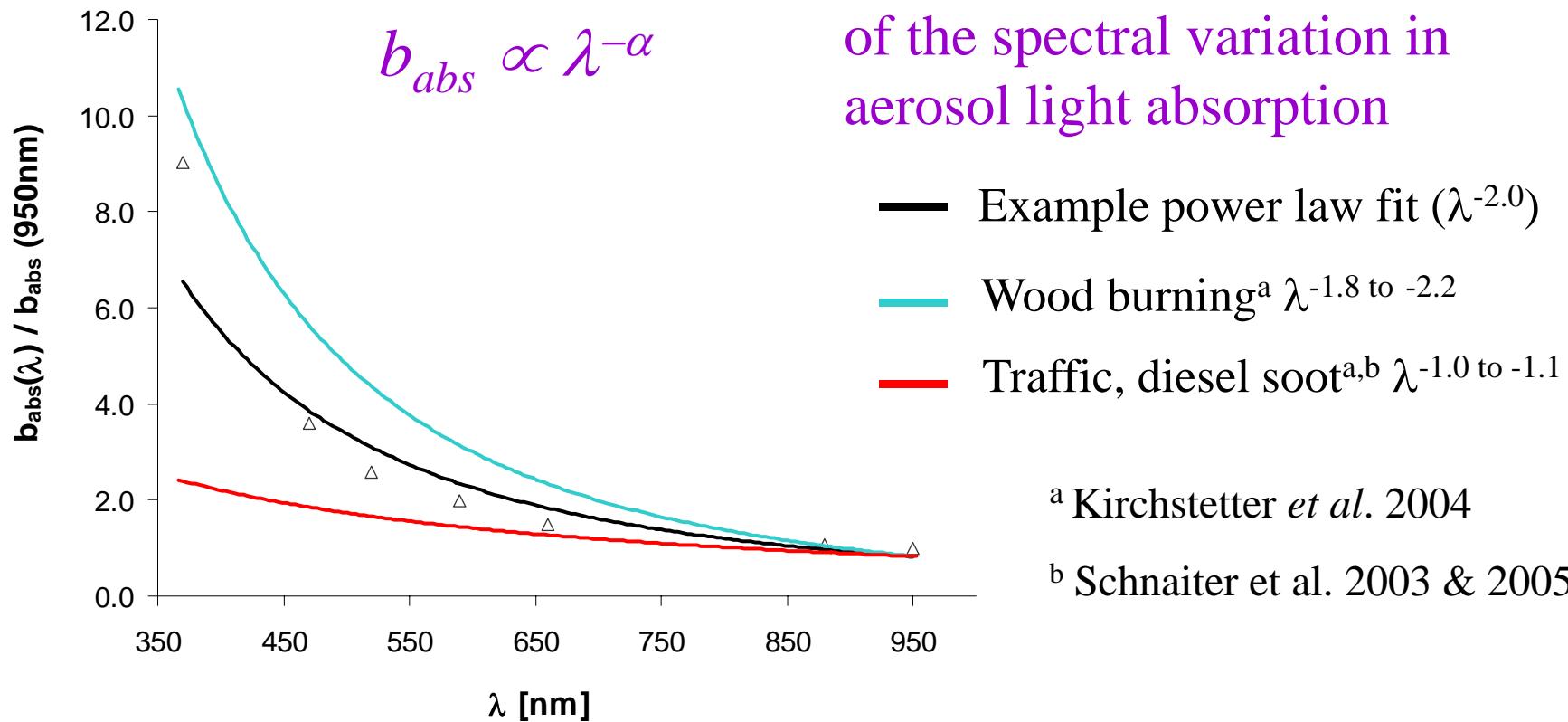
$$b_{\text{abs}}$$

Correction needed, e.g.

- Weingartner et al., 2003
- Arnott et al., 2005

The absorption exponent α

Absorption exponent α : a measure of the spectral variation in aerosol light absorption



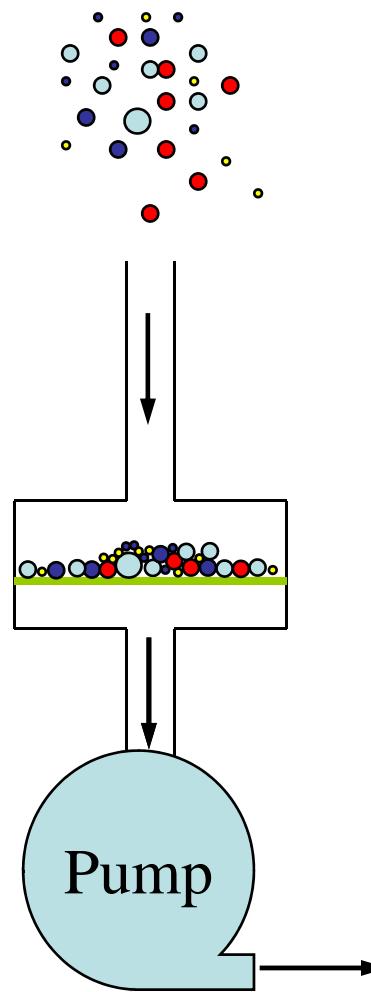
^a Kirchstetter *et al.* 2004

^b Schnaiter *et al.* 2003 & 2005

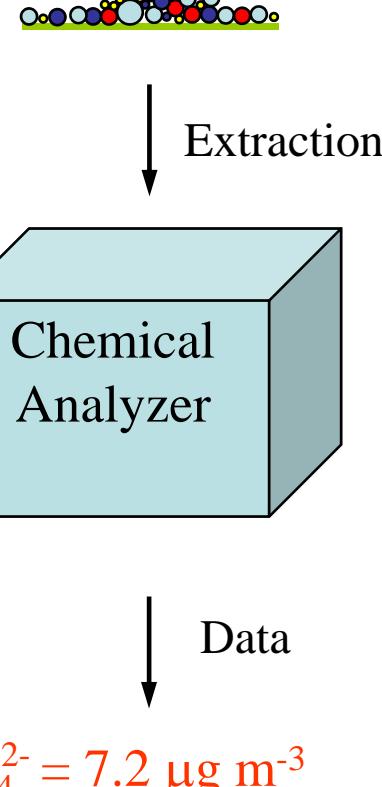
Enhanced UV-absorption due to the presence of wood smoke

Aerosol Chemical Analysis

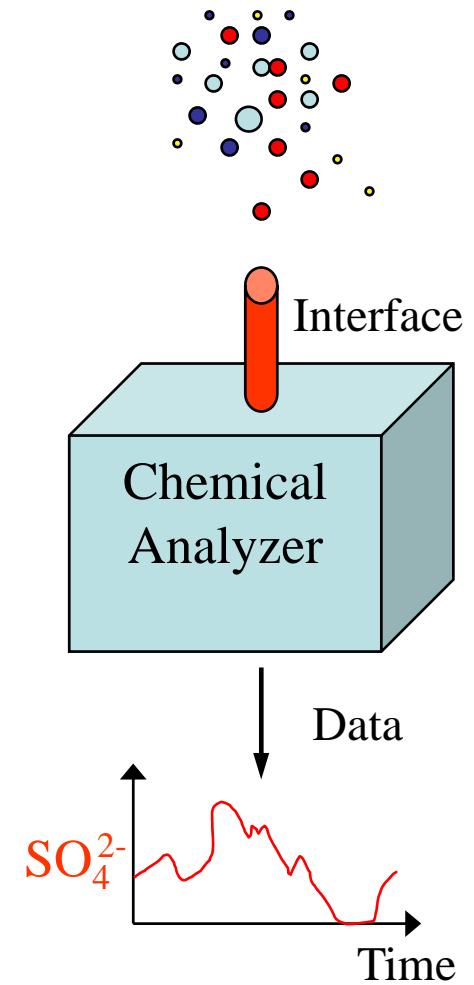
Offline: Part 1



Offline: Part 2



Online / Direct Sampling



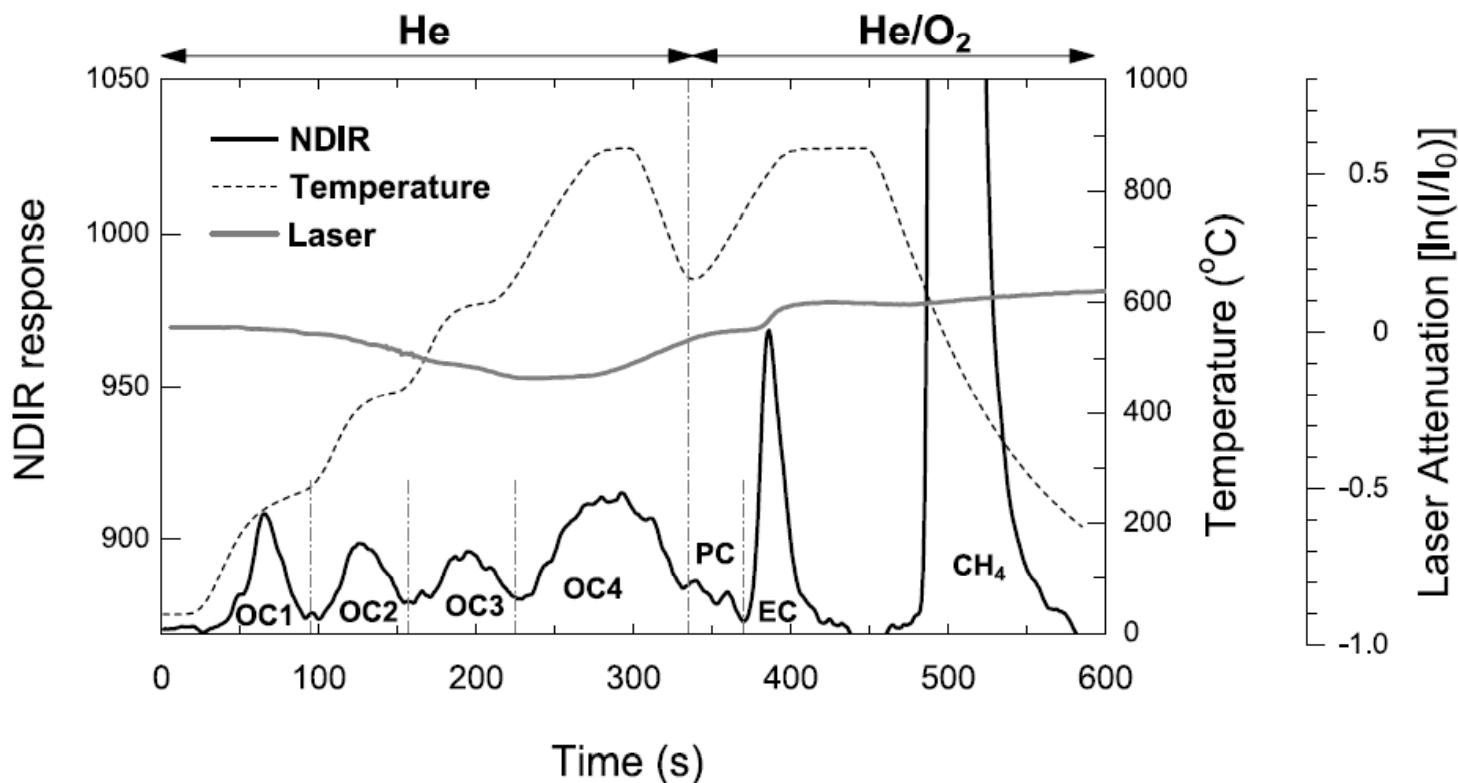
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Examples of off-line analysis

- Ion chromatography (NH_4 , NO_3 , SO_4 , organic acids)
- X-ray fluorescence, Particle Induced x-ray emission (PIXE), Inter Coupled Plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS), Neutron activation, Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy (AAS) (elemental analysis: K, S, Pb, Zn, ...)
- GC- / LC-MS (organic compounds: e.g. marker compounds hopanes, levoglucosan,)
- IR / UV / proton-NMR- spectroscopy : functional groups
- Mass spectrometry in general : isotope analysis, oligomers and more

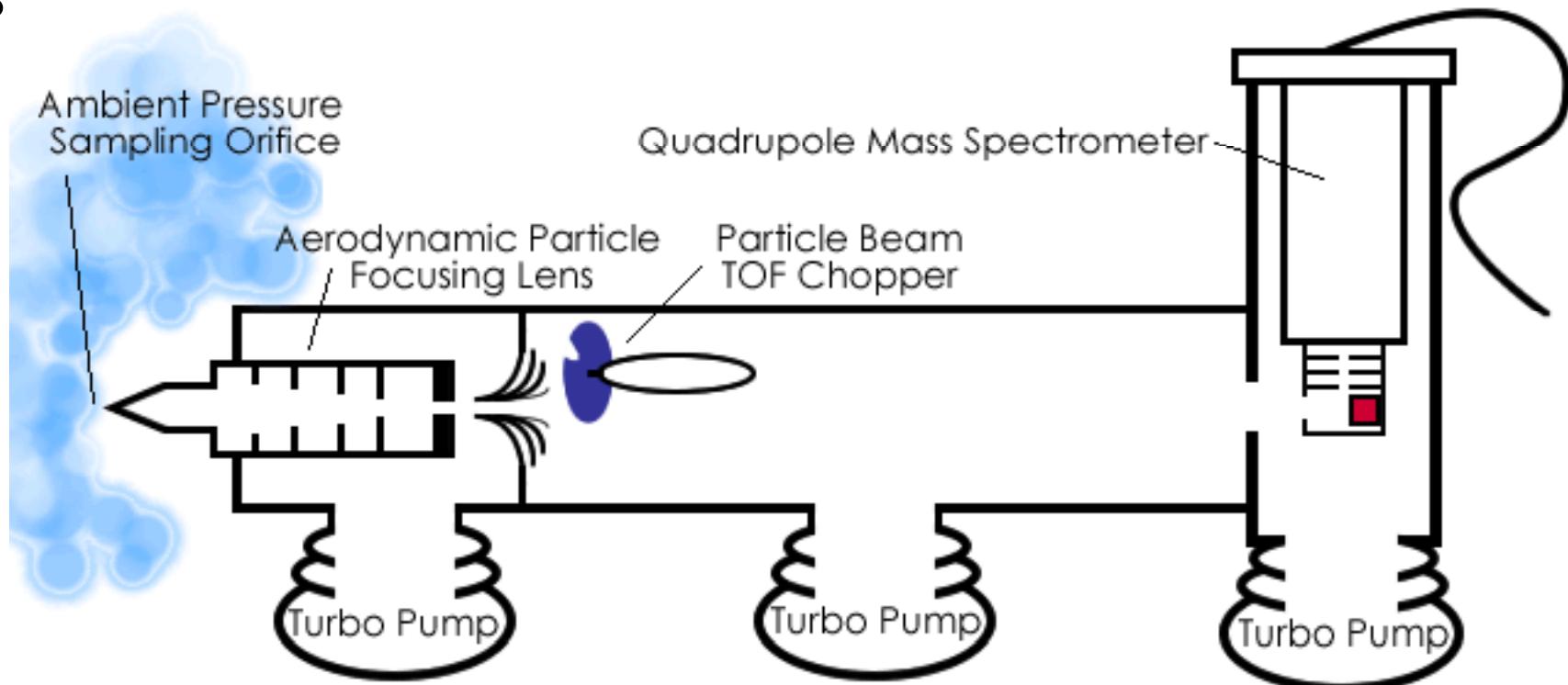
On-Line Analysis

- Semi-online: EC-OC (separation of black/elemental carbon from organic carbon)

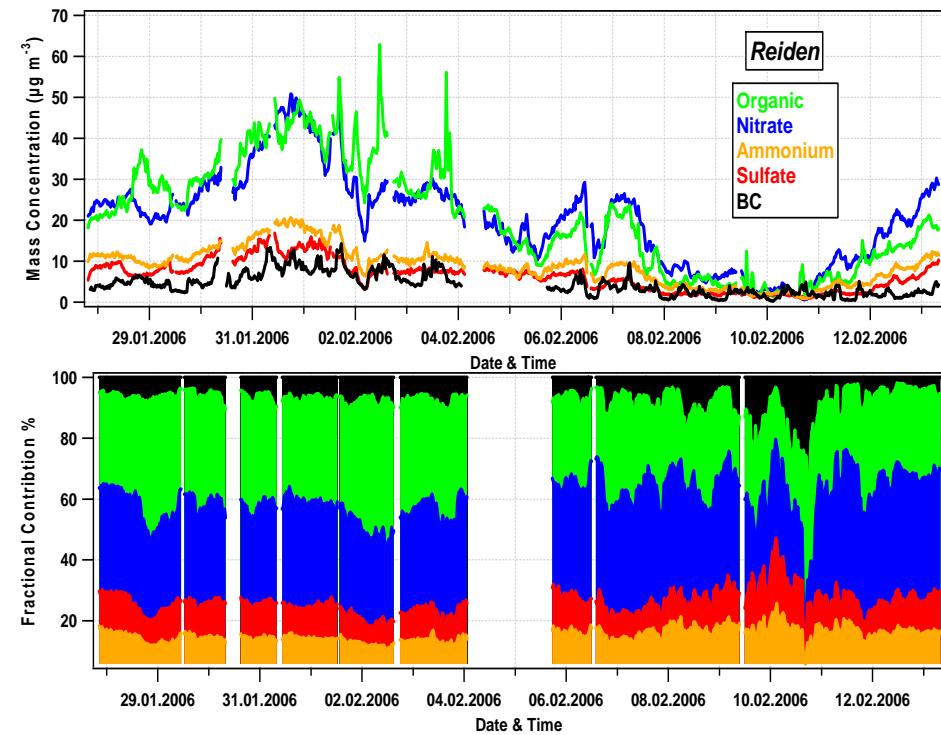
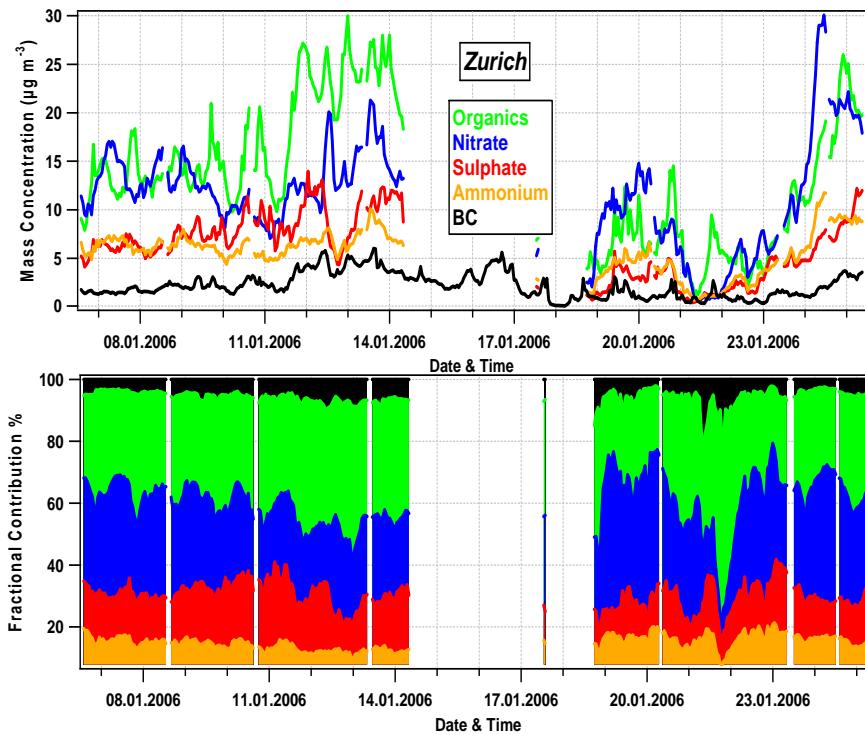


On-line analysis

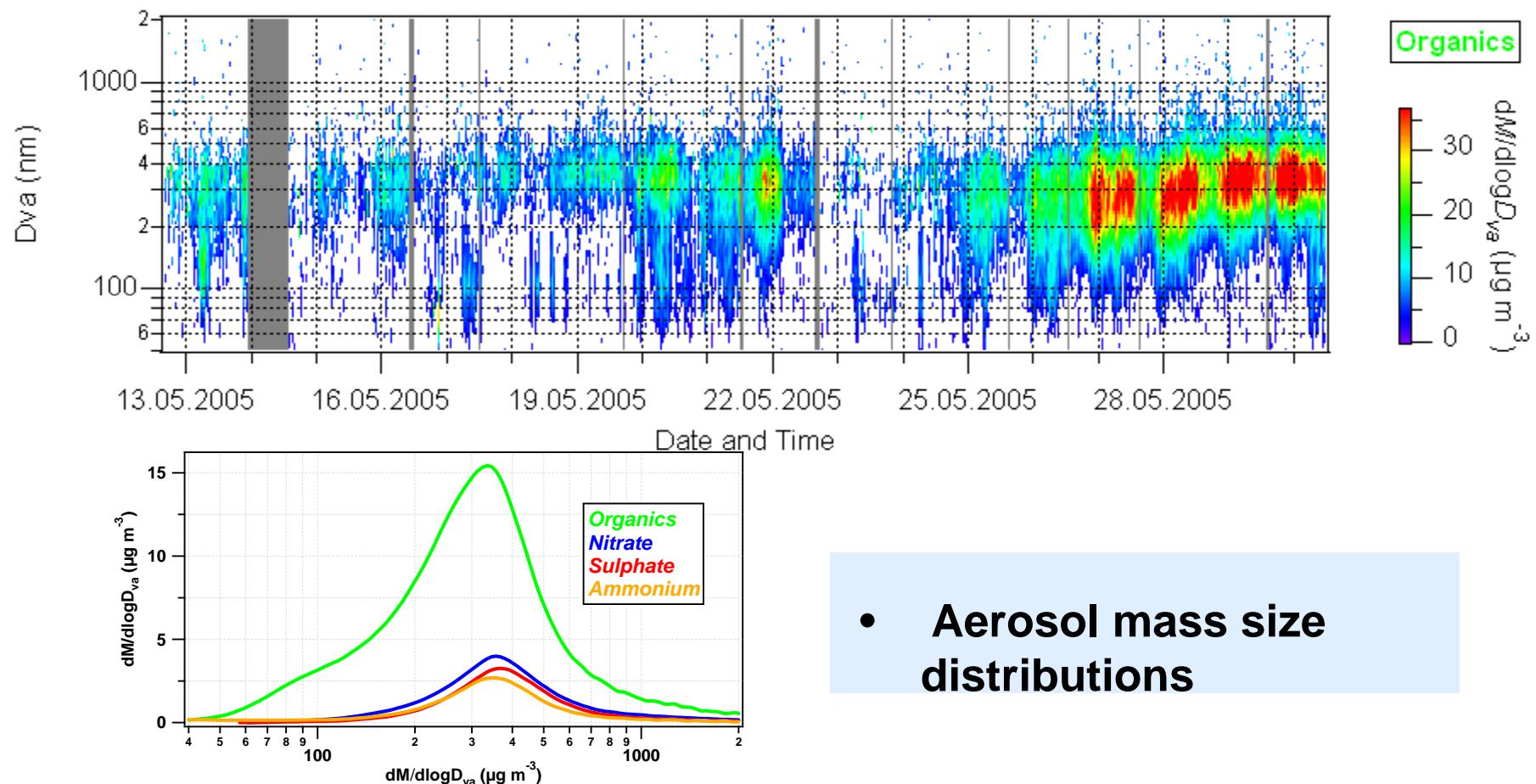
- ATOF-MS
- Aerodyne Aerosol mass spectrometer
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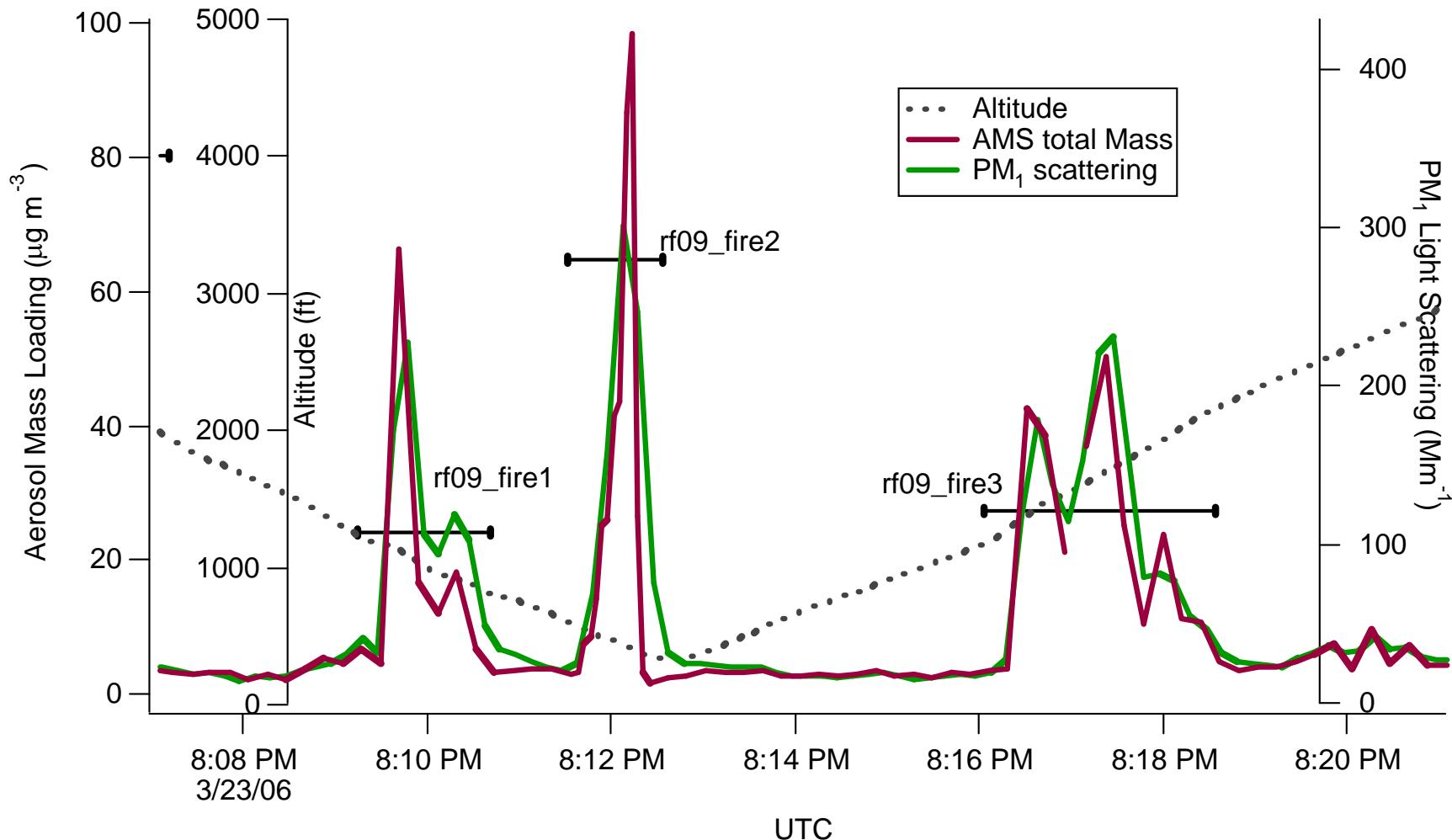
Example of Aerosol mass spectrometer measurements together with some black carbon measurements by an Aethalometer



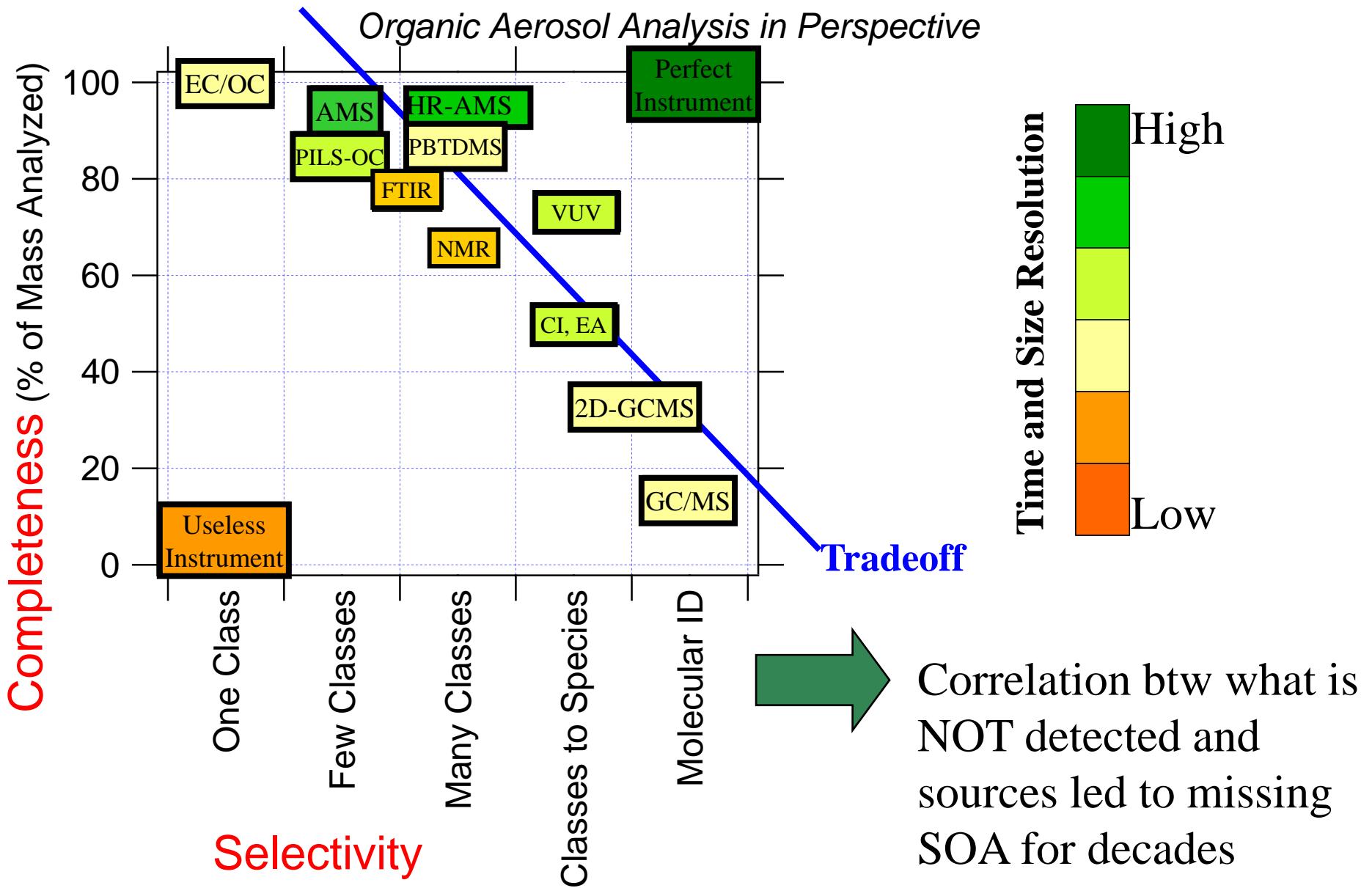
Time resolution: minutes down to 6 seconds at low detection limits



Time Resolution Example - Fire Plumes from aircraft

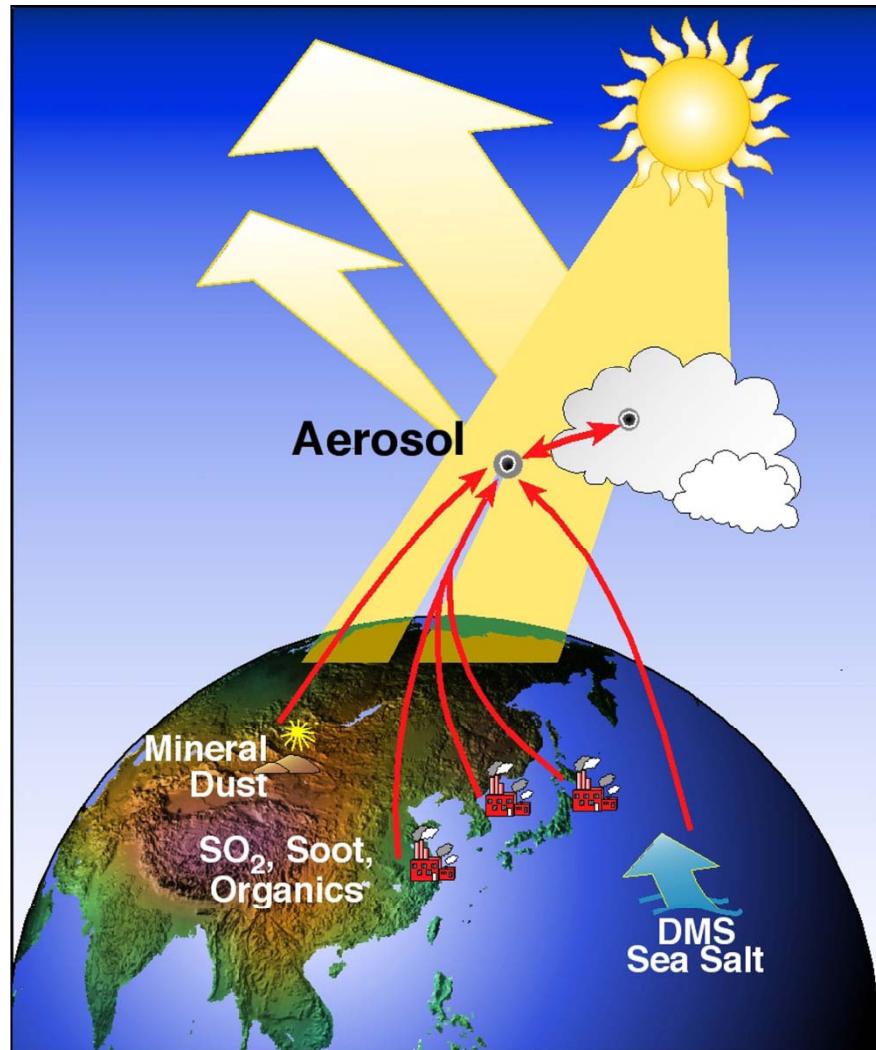


3 Fires in the Yucatan Peninsula - MILAGRO field campaign



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Direct and indirect aerosol effect on climate



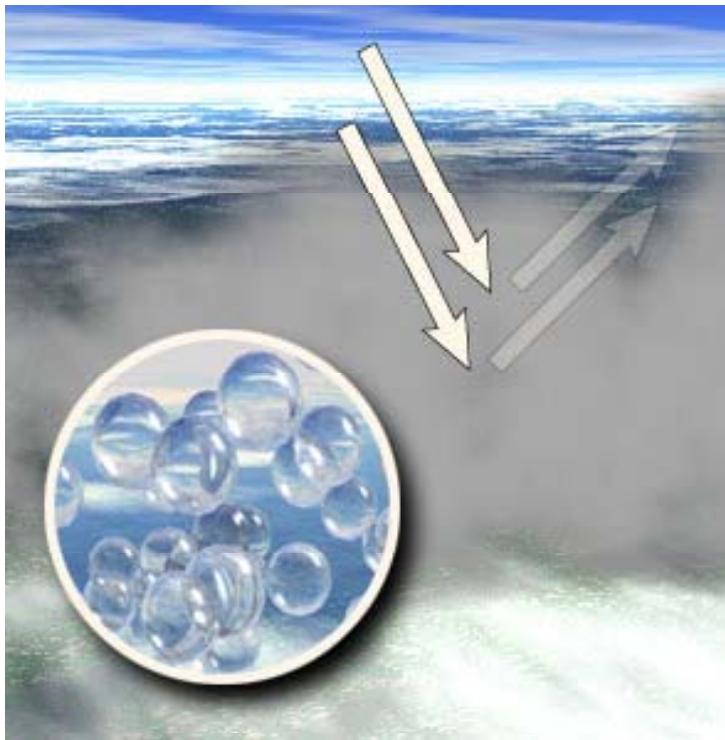
Direct effect:

Scattering and absorption of incoming sunlight by aerosol particles

Indirect effect:

The number concentration of cloud condensation nuclei (CCN) influences the cloud droplet size and thereby changes the cloud albedo and lifetime

Indirect aerosol effect



Large droplets
→ Weak reflection

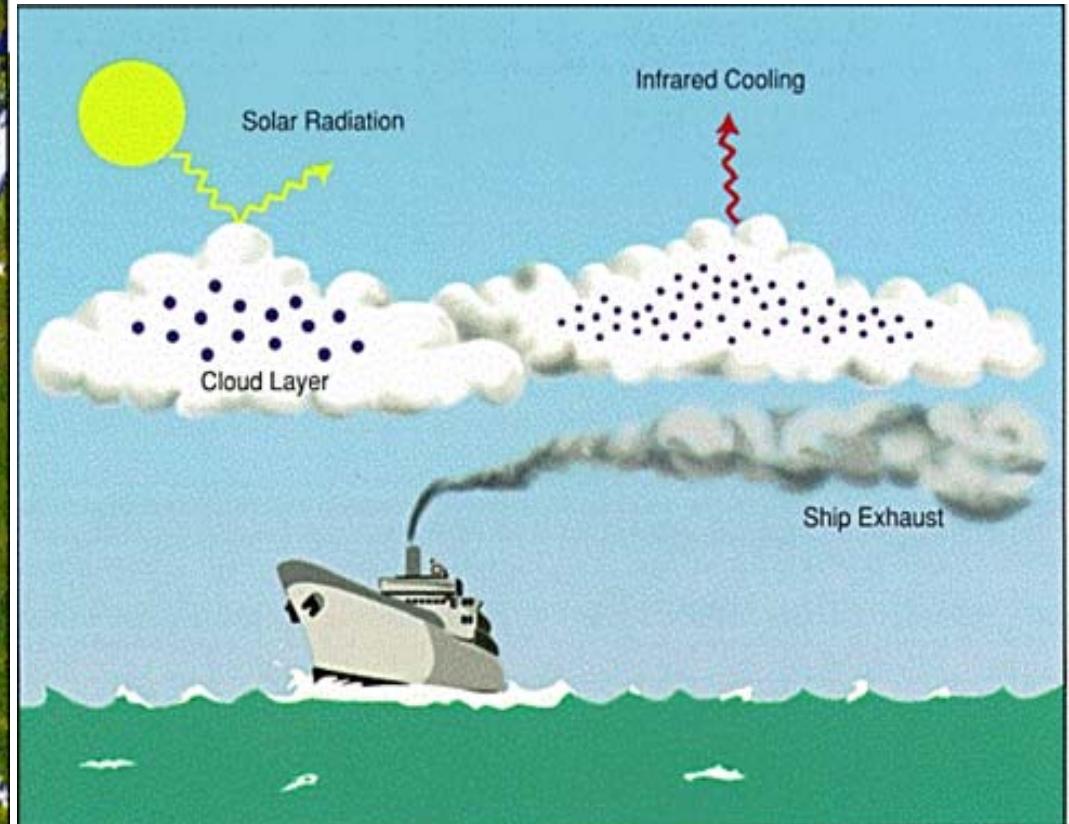


Small droplets
→ Strong reflection

Indirect effect

Number of CCN influences the droplet number and size (Twomey-Effect) and thereby the cloud albedo and lifetime.

'Ship tracks' visualise the indirect effect



Satellitenaufnahme (Wellenlänge: 3.7 μm)

Indirect aerosol effects

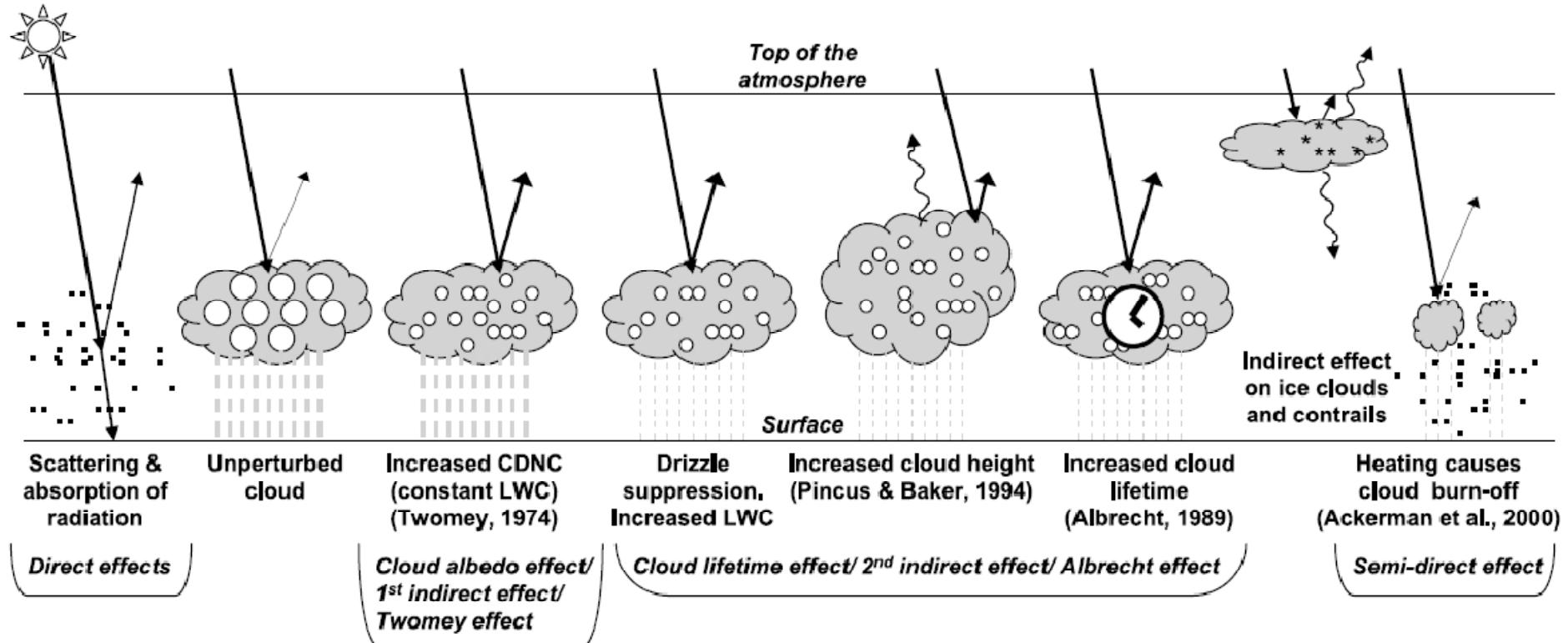
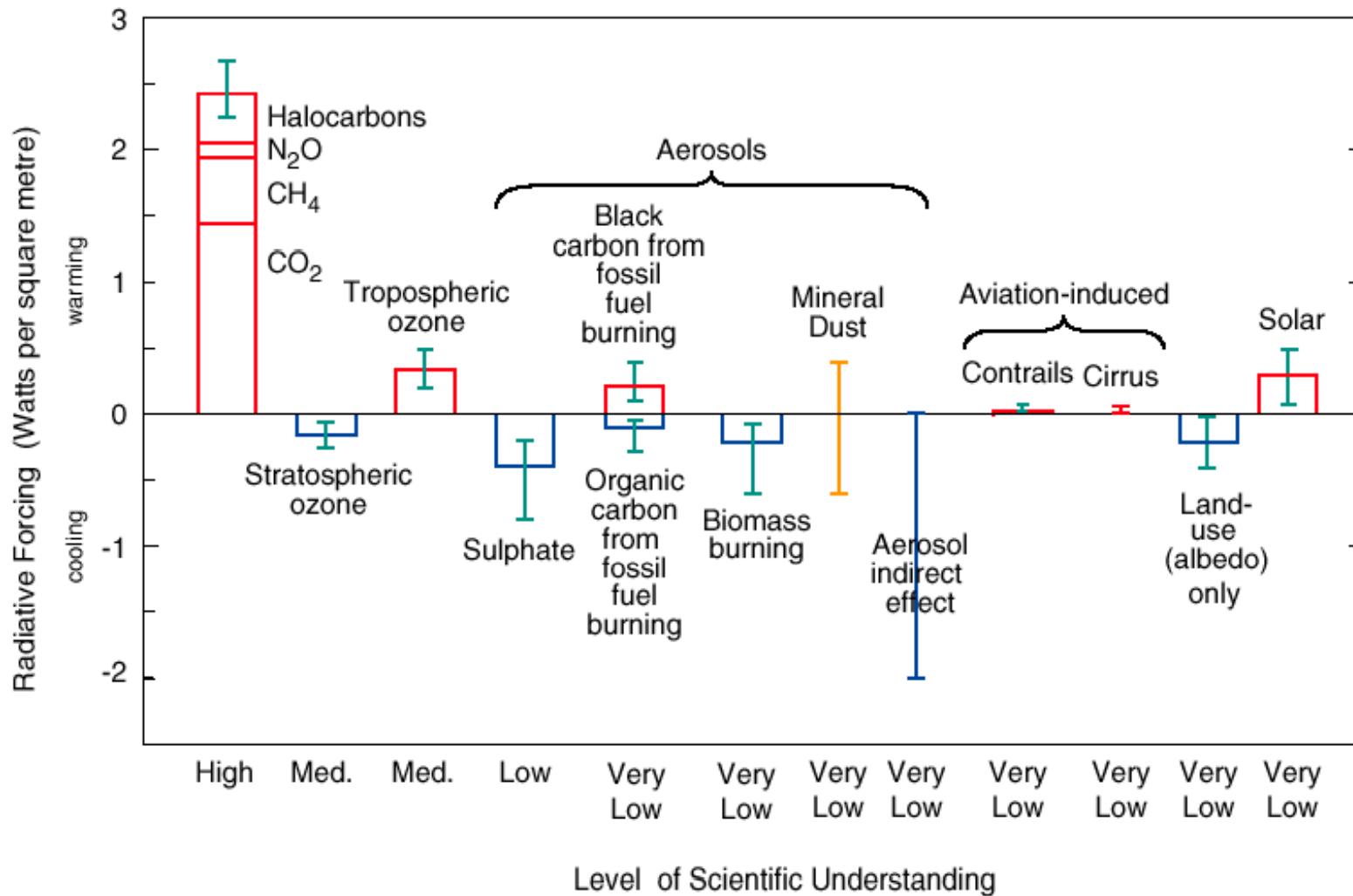
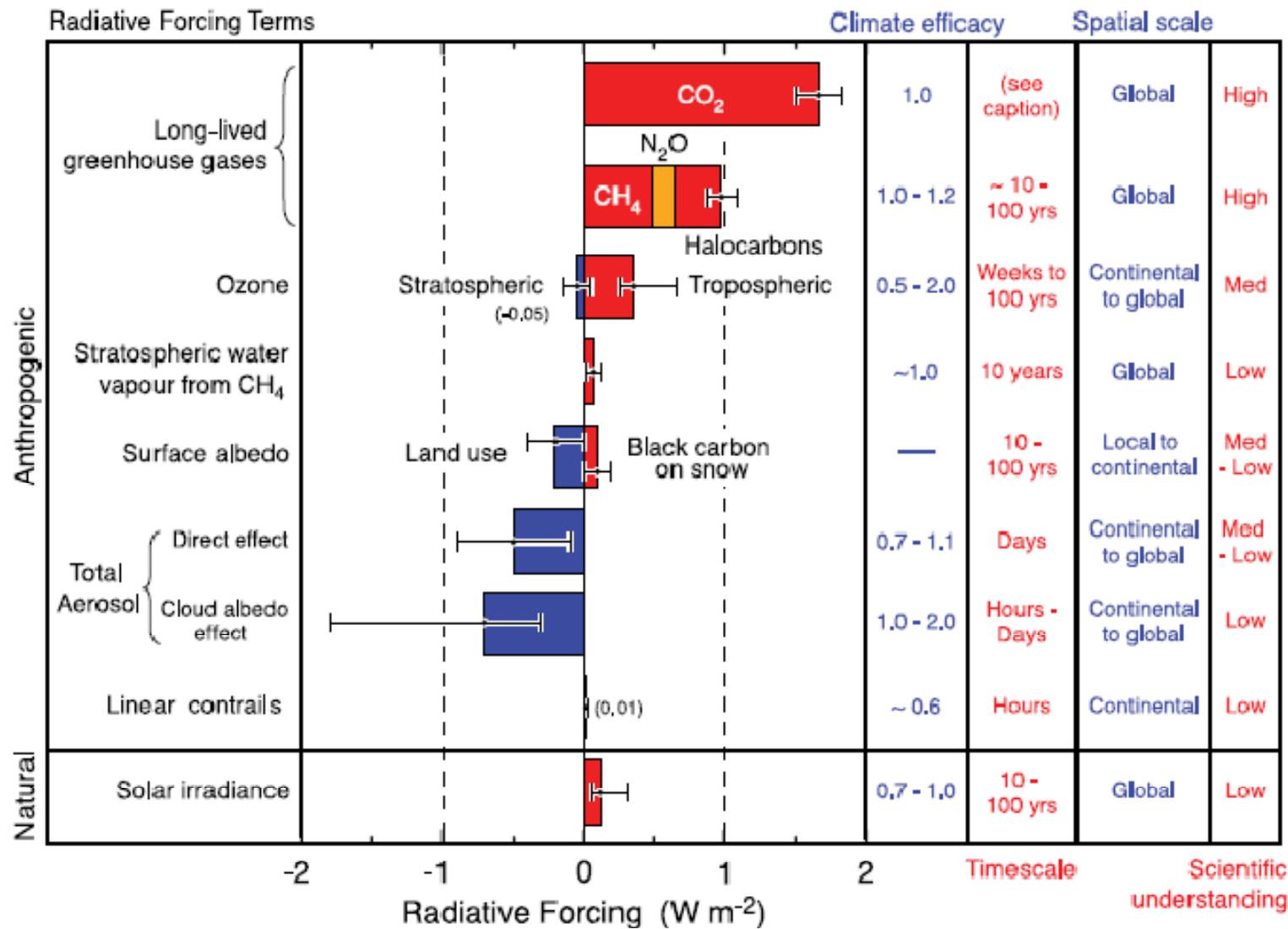


Figure 2.10. Schematic diagram showing the various radiative mechanisms associated with cloud effects that have been identified as significant in relation to aerosols (modified from Haywood and Boucher, 2000). The small black dots represent aerosol particles; the larger open circles cloud droplets. Straight lines represent the incident and reflected solar radiation, and wavy lines represent terrestrial radiation. The filled white circles indicate cloud droplet number concentration (CDNC). The unperturbed cloud contains larger cloud drops as only natural aerosols are available as cloud condensation nuclei, while the perturbed cloud contains a greater number of smaller cloud drops as both natural and anthropogenic aerosols are available as cloud condensation nuclei (CCN). The vertical grey dashes represent rainfall, and LWC refers to the liquid water content.

Climate forcing 2000 relative to 1750



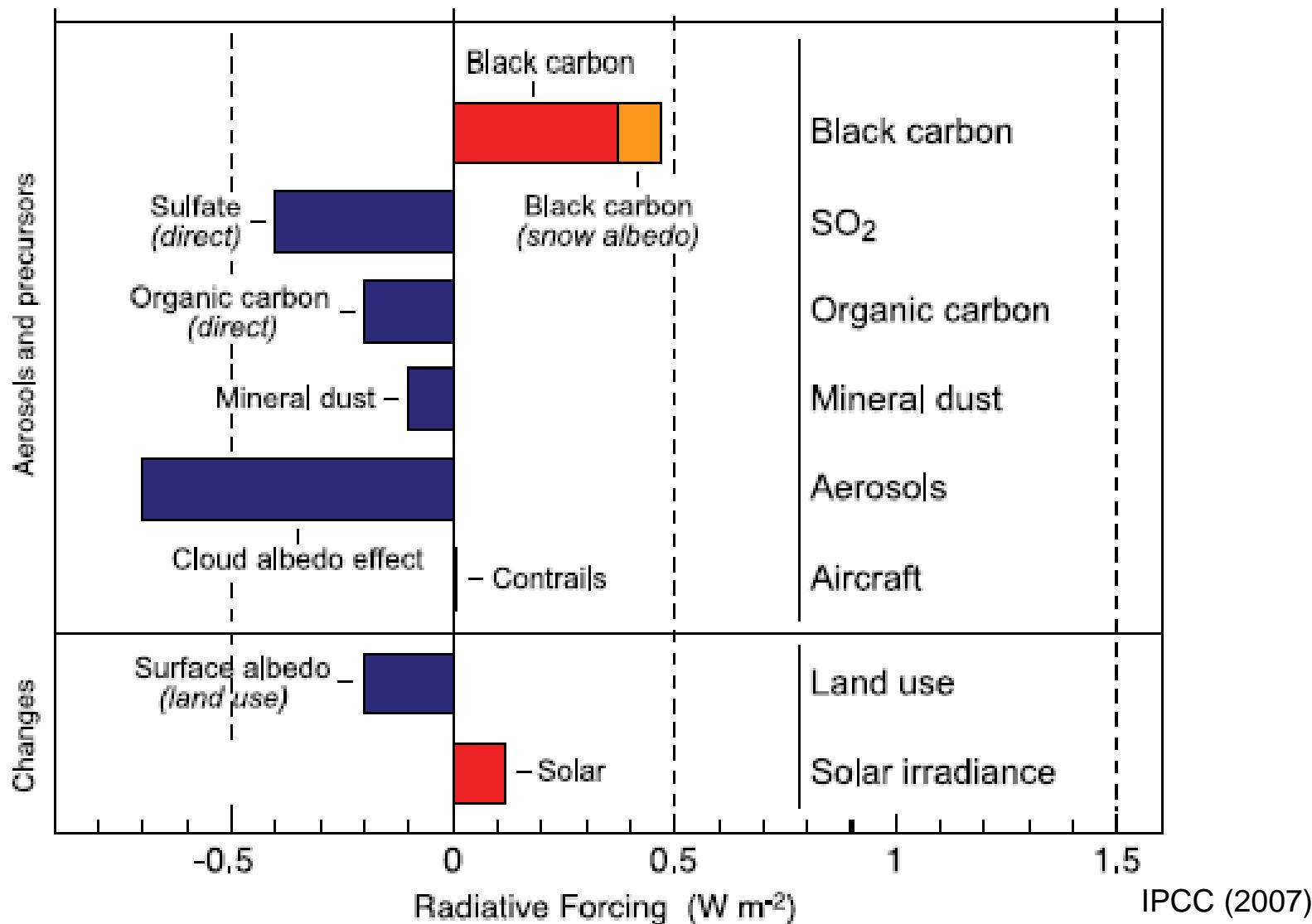
Radiative forcing of climate between 1750 and 2005



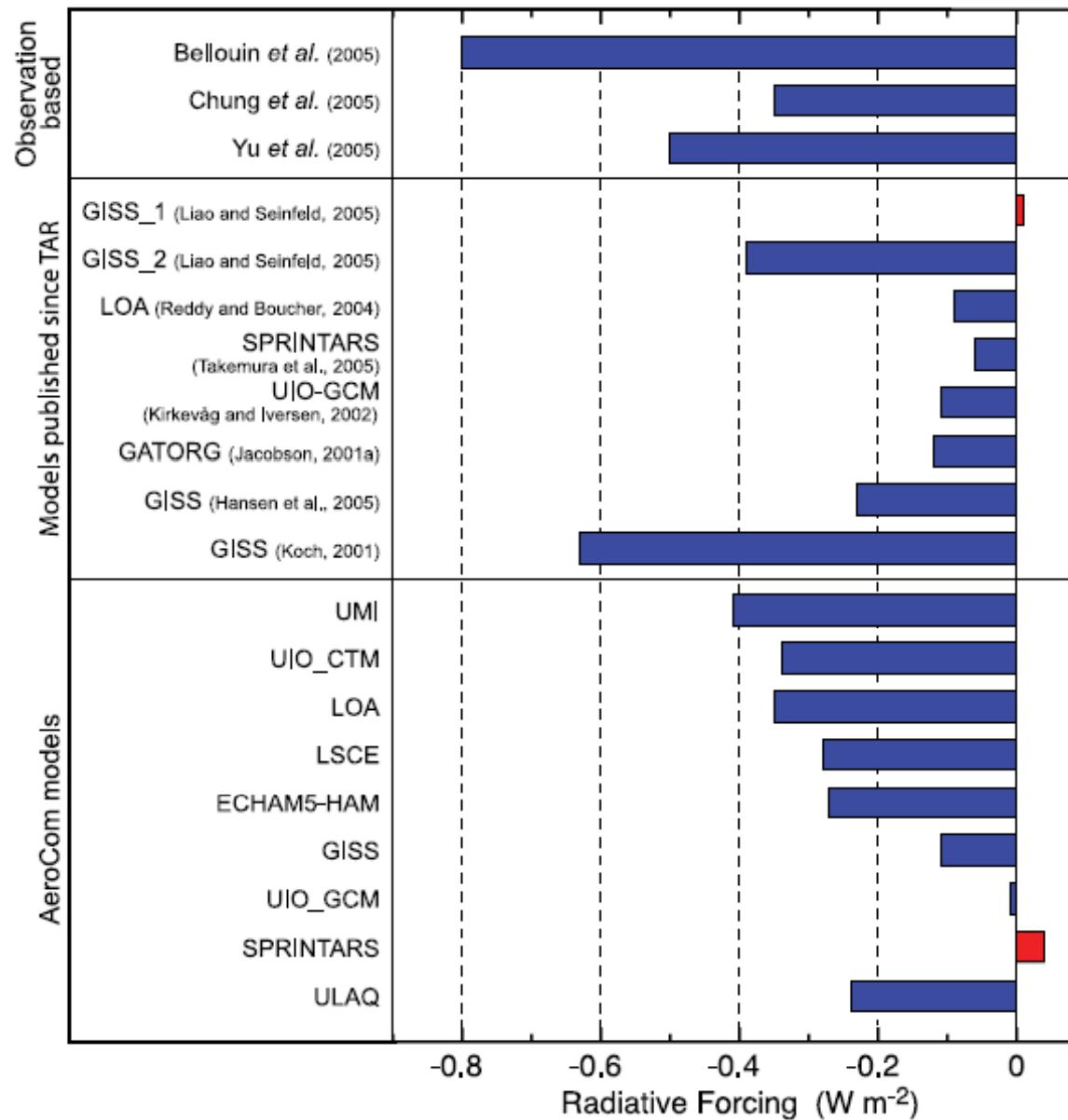
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No CO₂ time scale is given, as its removal from the atmosphere involves a range of processes that can span long time scales :

Radiative forcing of climate between 1750 and 2005 for different aerosol components

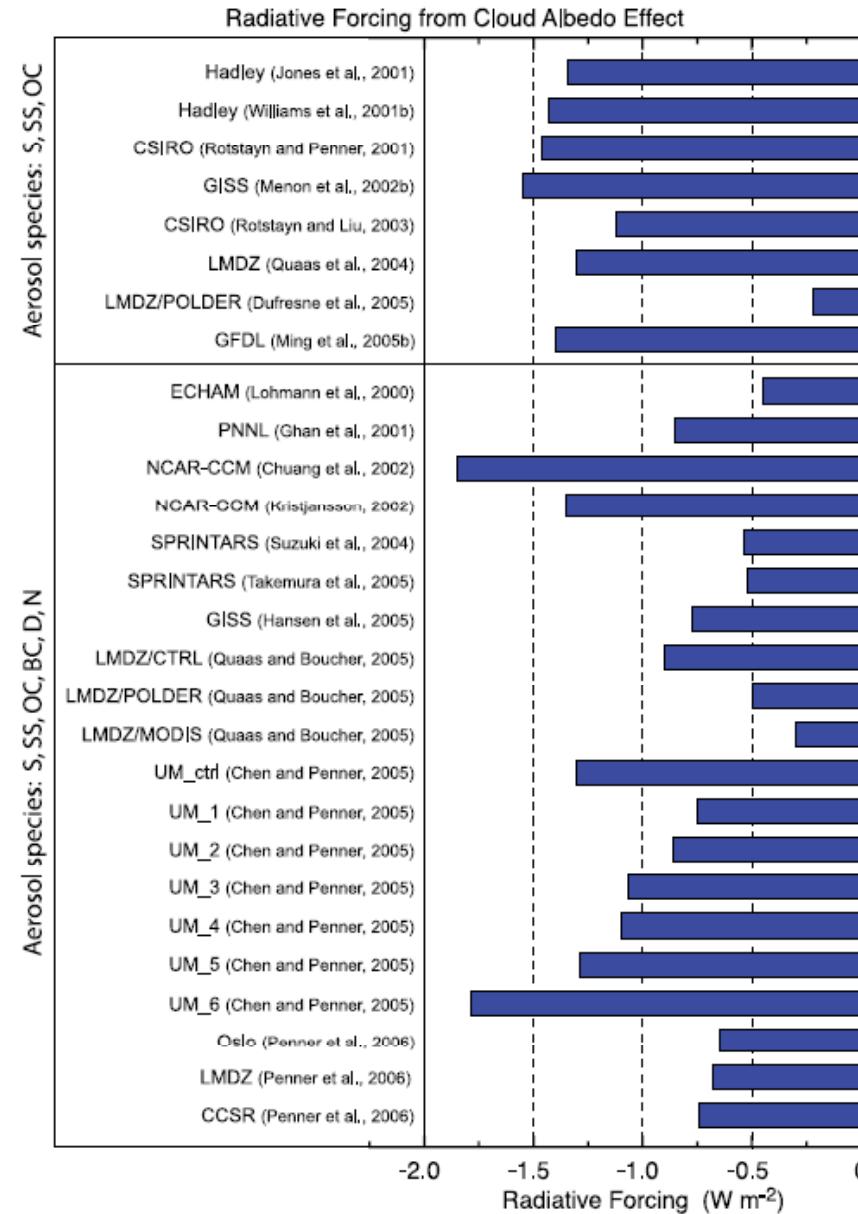


Aerosol direct radiative forcing – Comparison of different models



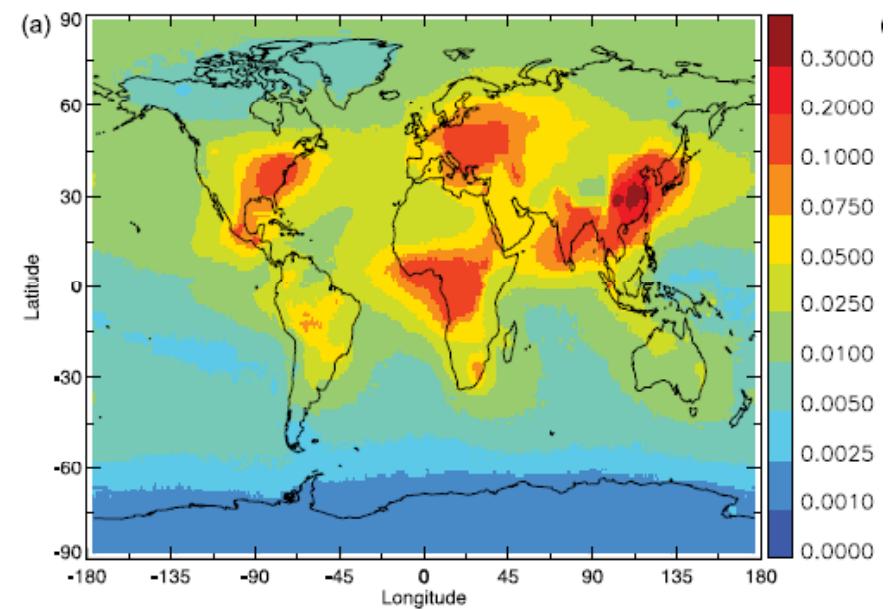
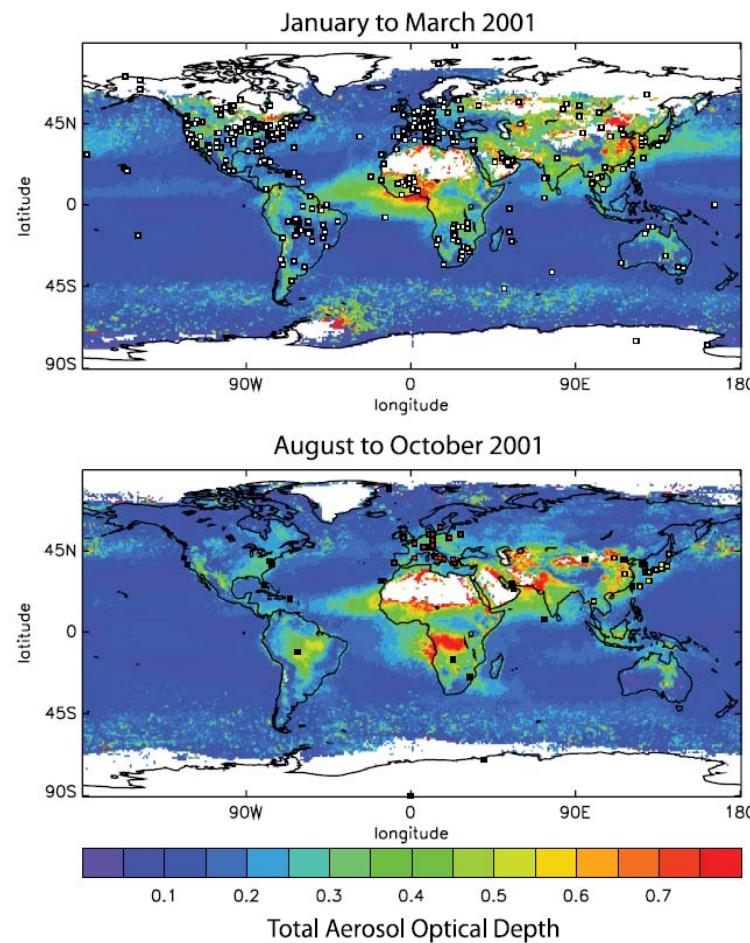
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Radiative forcing due to the cloud albedo effect – Comparison of different models



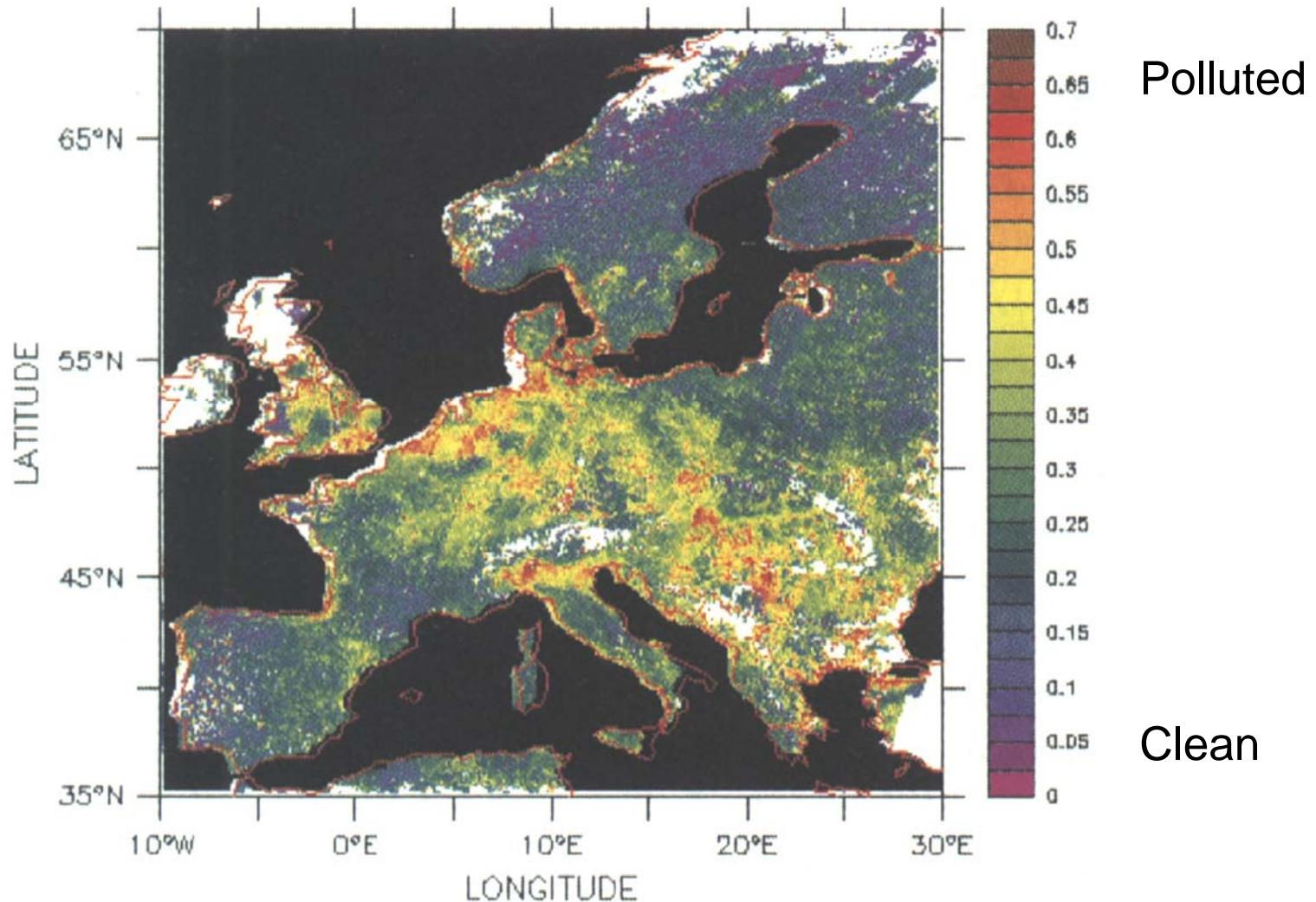
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Total Aerosol Optical Depth (MODIS satellite) modelling



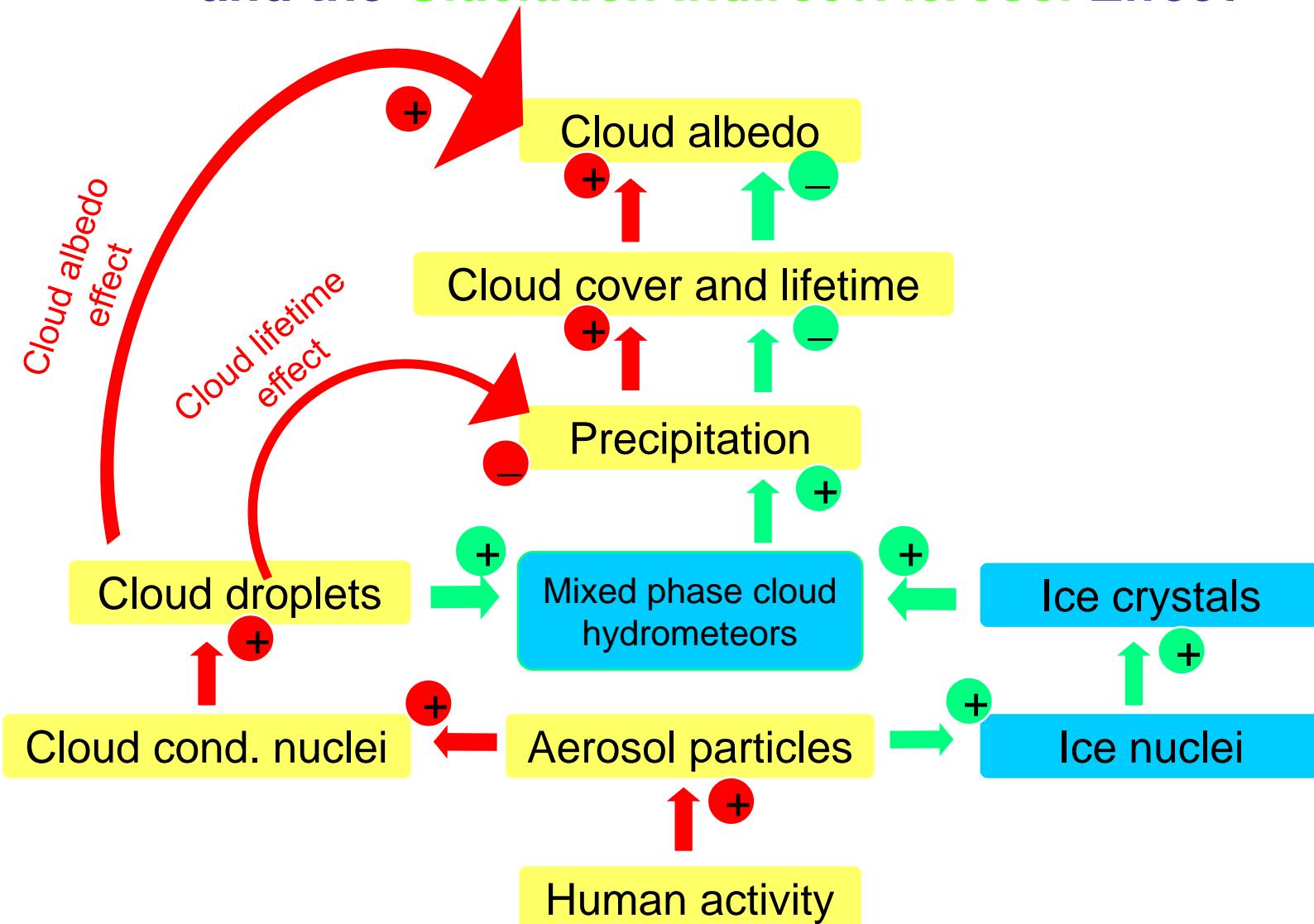
IPCC (2007)

Satellite retrieved AOD over Europe: Aerosols show high spatial variability

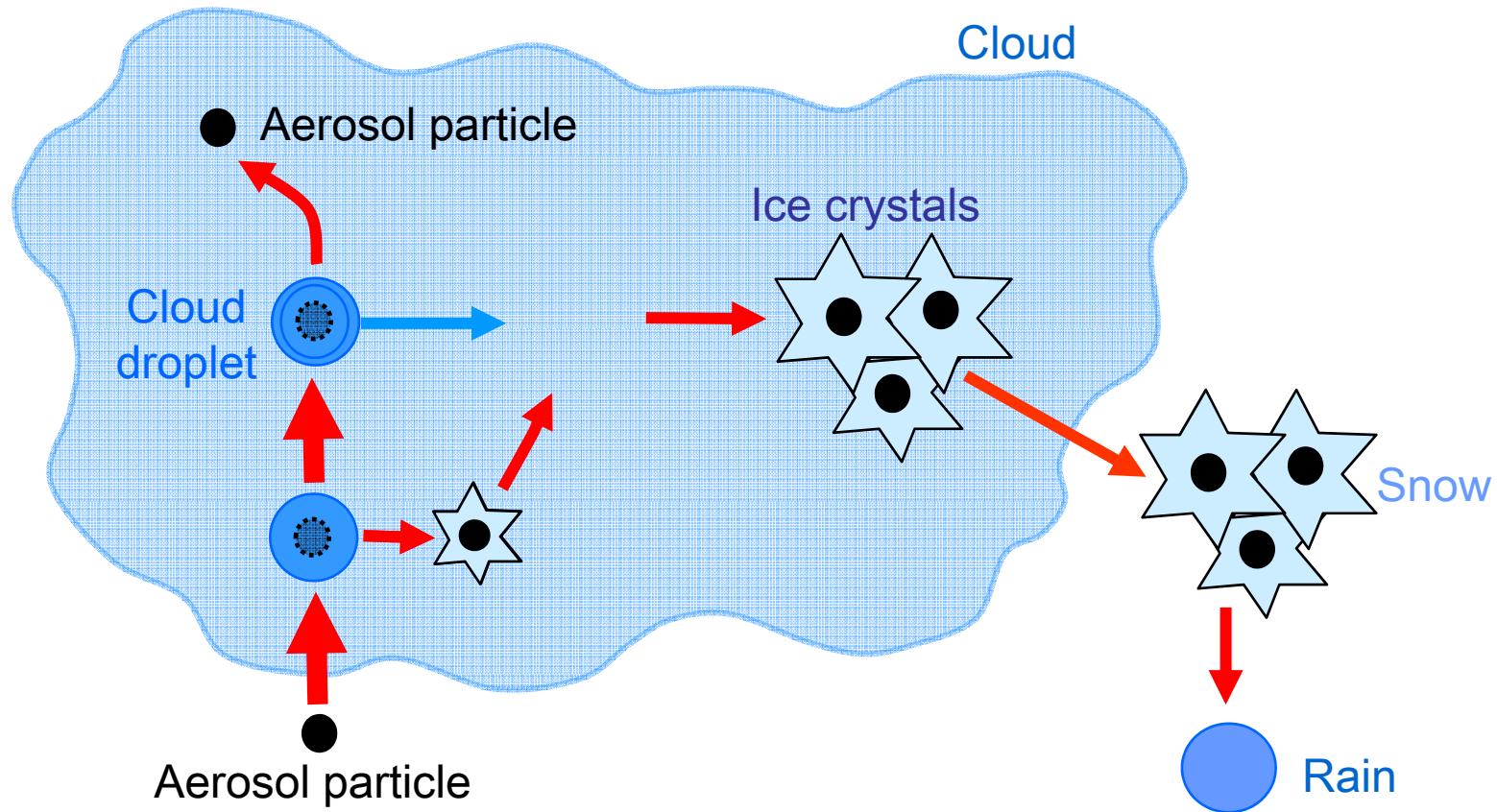


Robles Gonzales et al., GRL 27, 955 (2000)

Pathways of the Traditional *Warm Indirect Aerosol Effect* and the *Glaciation Indirect Aerosol Effect*



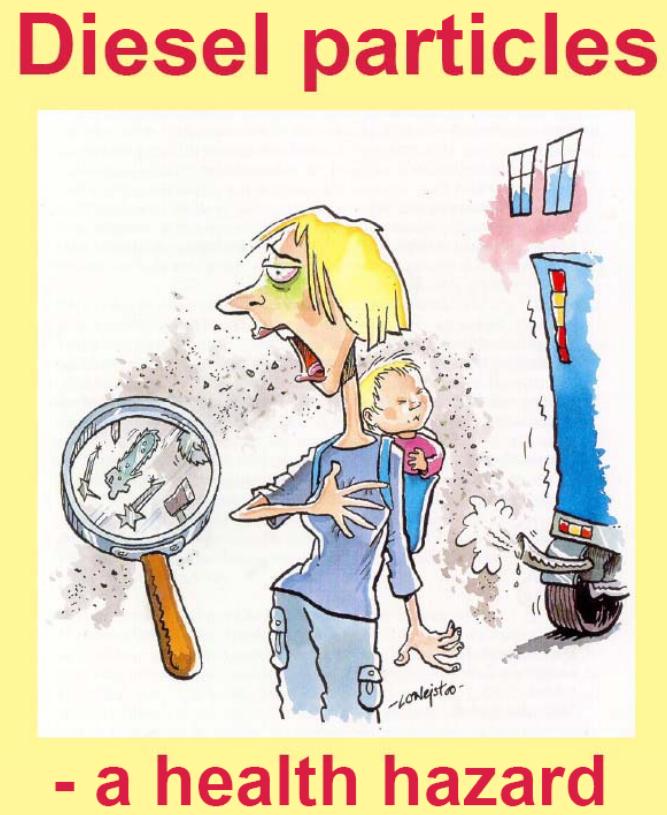
Evolution of particles in cloud: Bergeron-Findeisen process



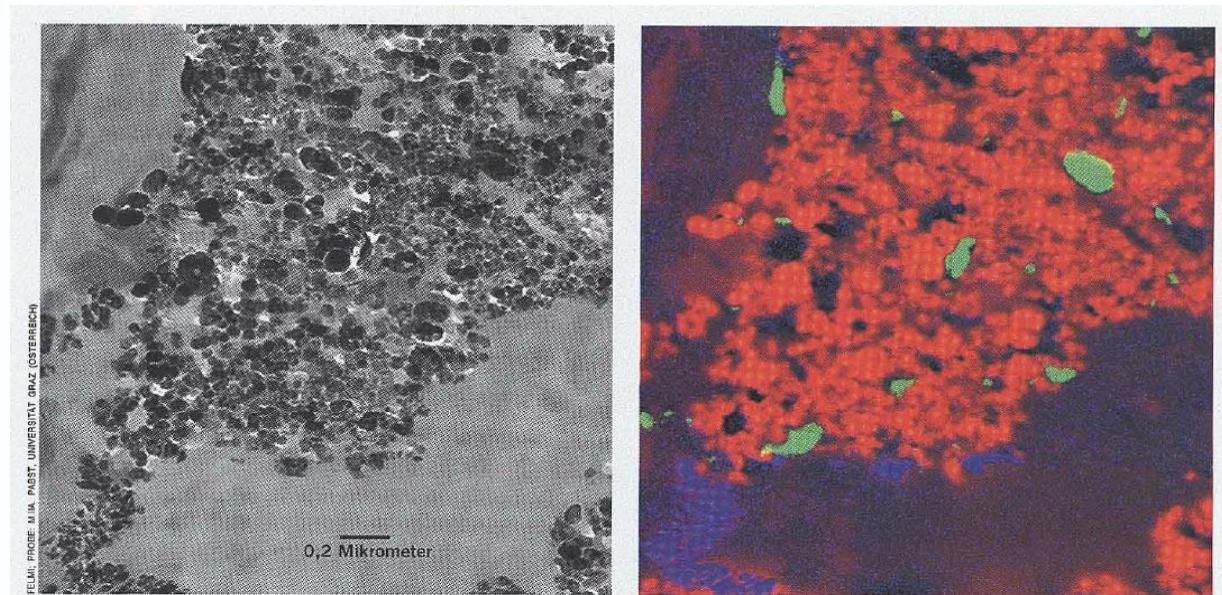
Saturation Vapor Pressure (SVP) difference: SVP (ice) < SVP (liquid)
 \Rightarrow Flux of water vapor from liquid droplets to ice crystals

The WBF mechanism converts many small supercooled drops to only few, large ice crystals, thus changing cloud radiative properties and enhancing precipitation.

Aerosols and Health



Aerosols is not a recent problem:
The lung of 'Ötzi'

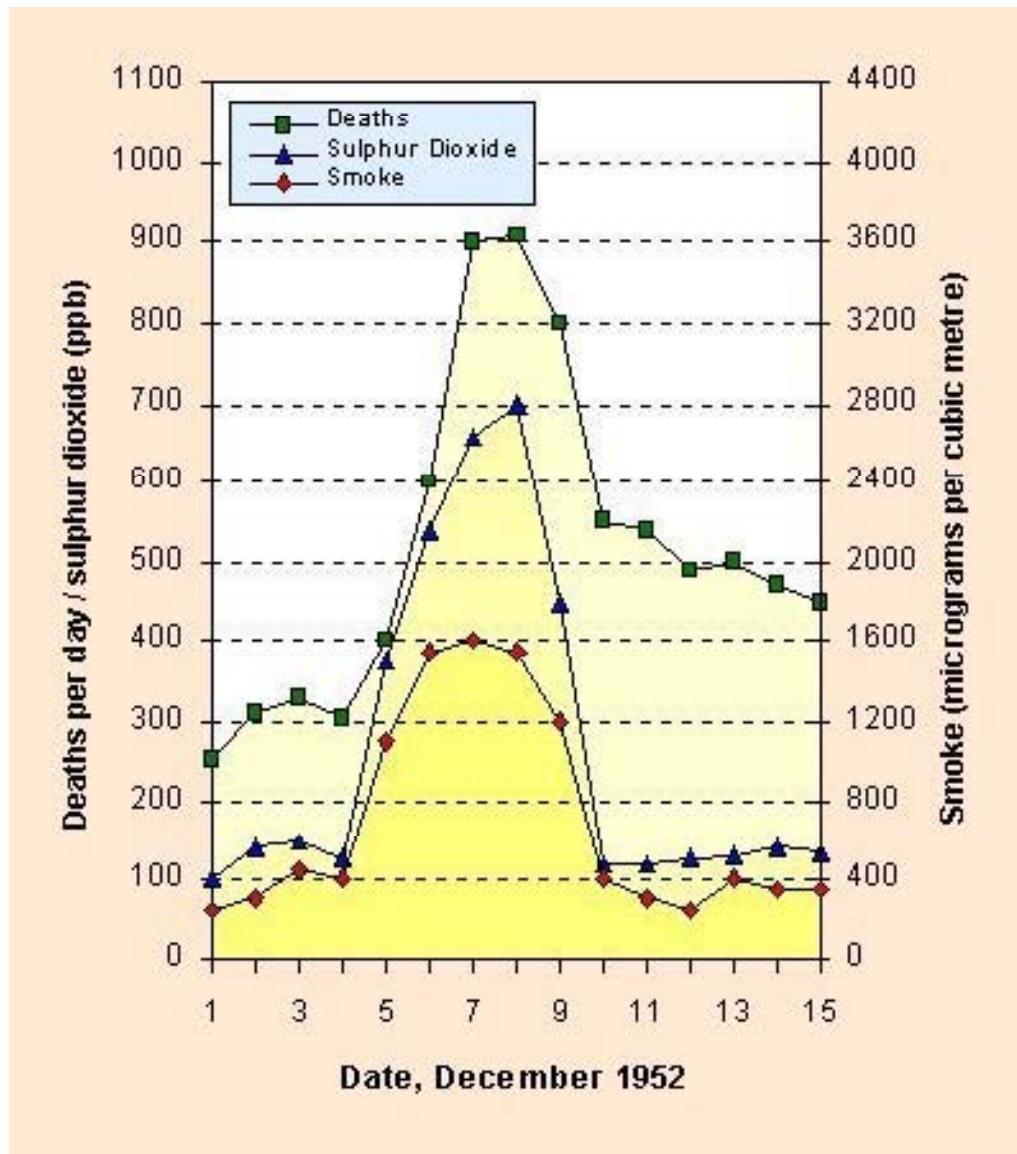


black: soot

red: soot

Source: www.ecocouncil.dk

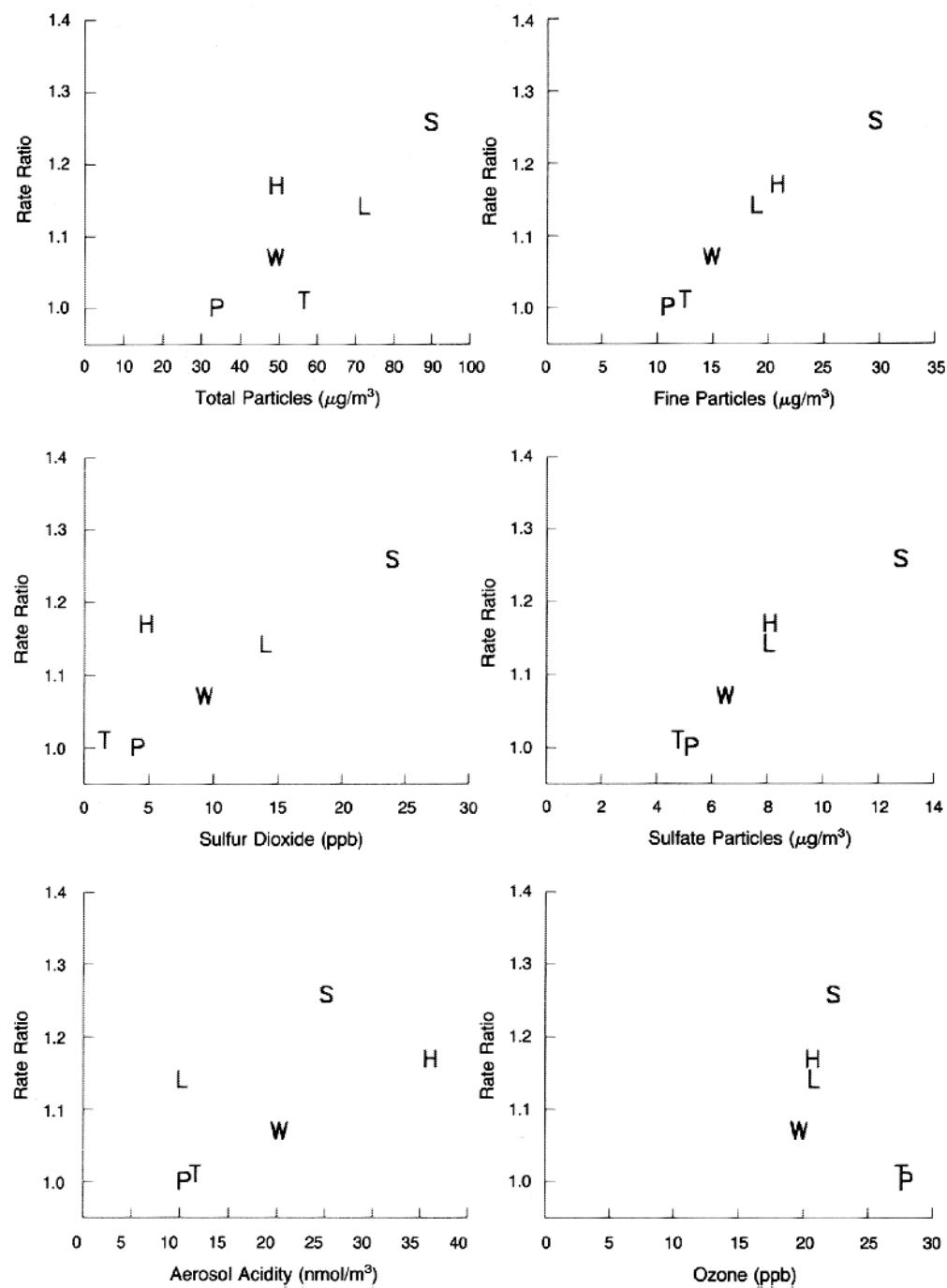
Air pollution and mortality during London winter smog in 1952.



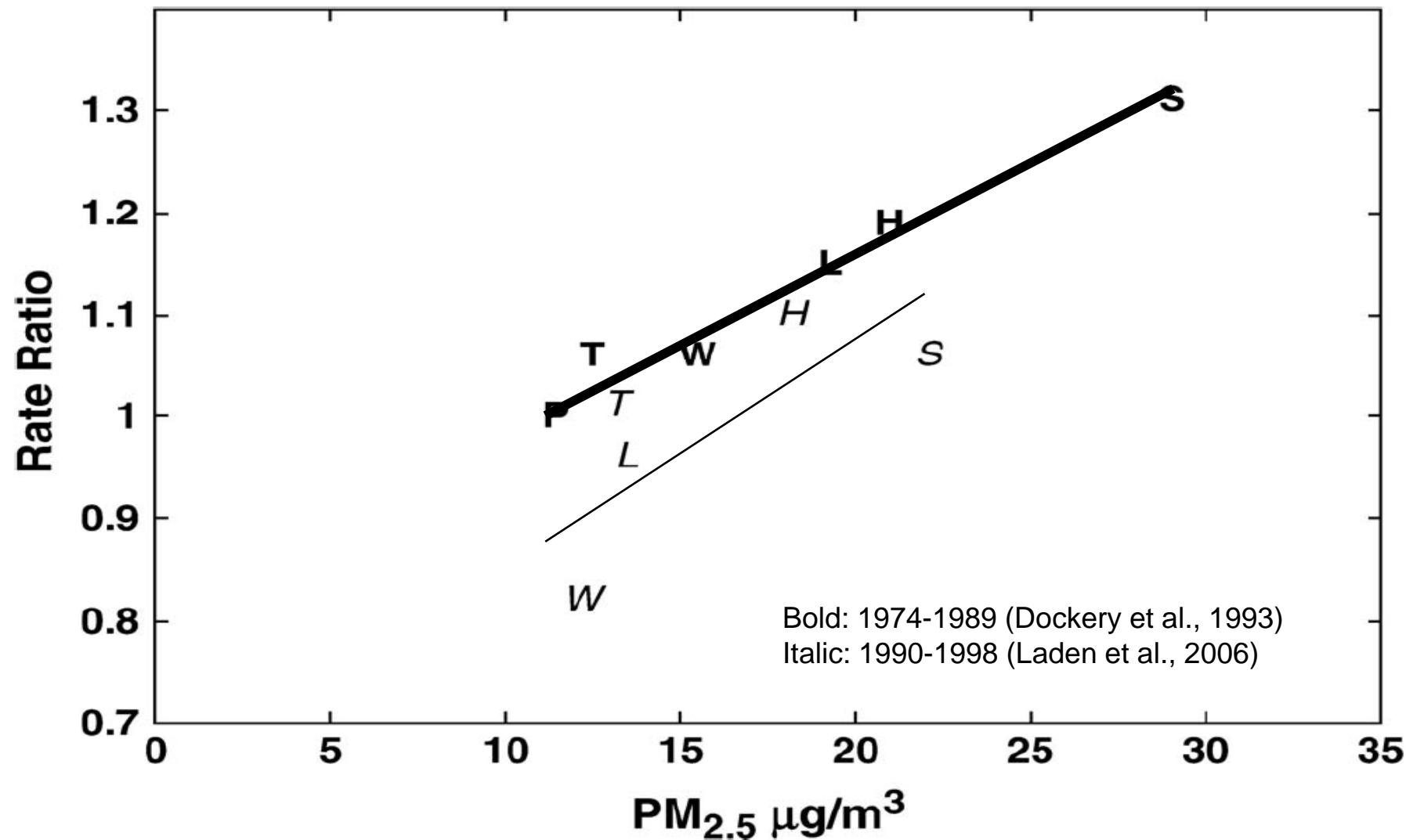
Adapted from Wilkins (1954)

Increased mortality correlates best with PM2.5 (fine particles)

Dockery et al. (1993)



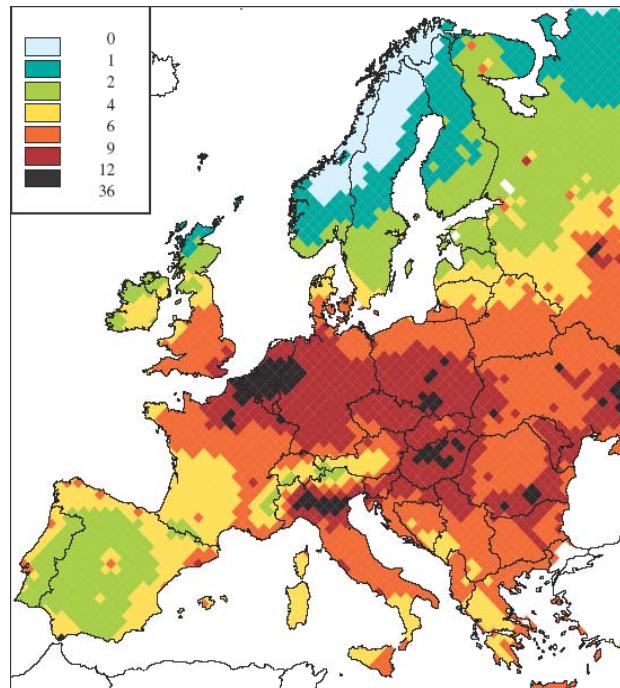
Epidemiology: clear relationship between PM_{2.5} (or PM10) and mortality



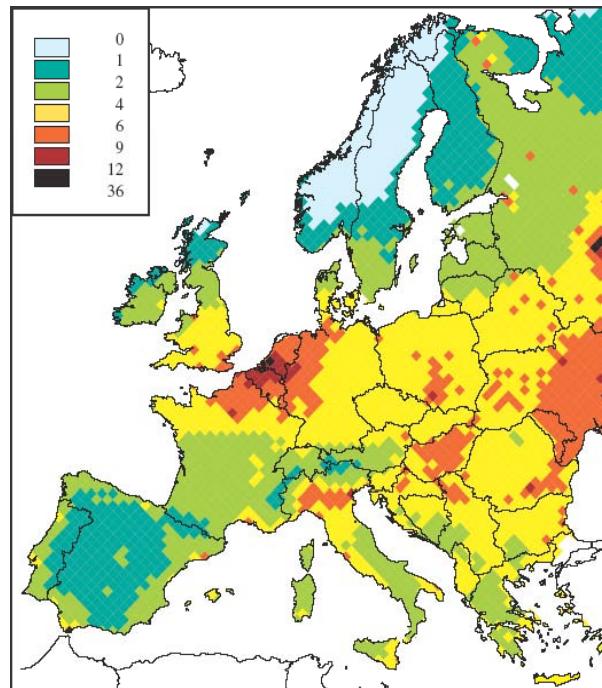
Different health effects of PM10

- Well established: Of all air pollutants, PM10 (and even more so PM2.5) show best correlation with increased mortality
- Increase of mortality with increase of PM10 by 10 µg/m³ (Laden et al., 2000):
 - Traffic: 3.4%
 - Coal combustion: 1.1%
 - Mineral dust: ~0%
- ➔ Influence of
 - Chemical composition (metals, radicals, organic compounds, acidity)
 - Biological constituents (allergens, endotoxin)
 - Morphology (effect of asbestos)
 - Size distribution: smaller particles have greater surface area per unit mass
 - Number concentration
 - ...
- Mechanism not well known yet

Loss in life expectancy attributable to anthropogenic PM2.5 [months]

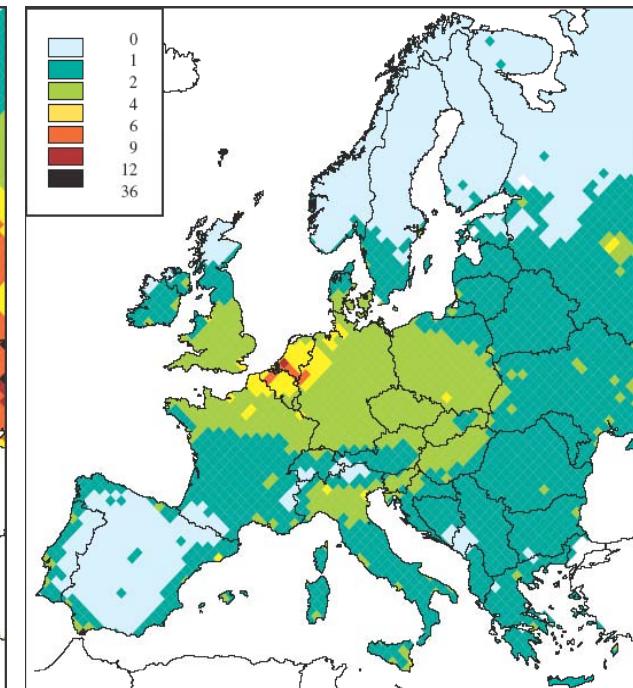


2000



2020

Current legislation



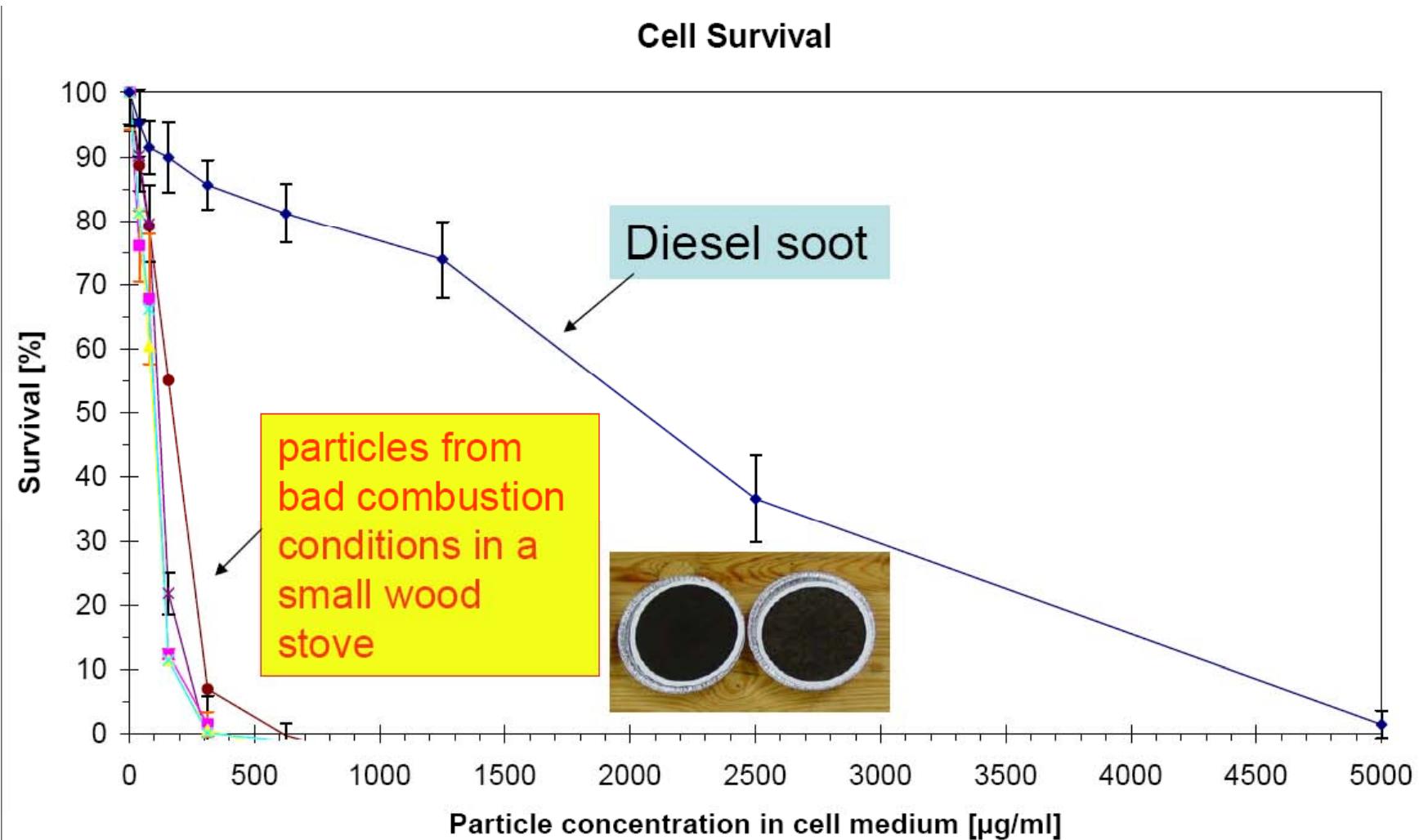
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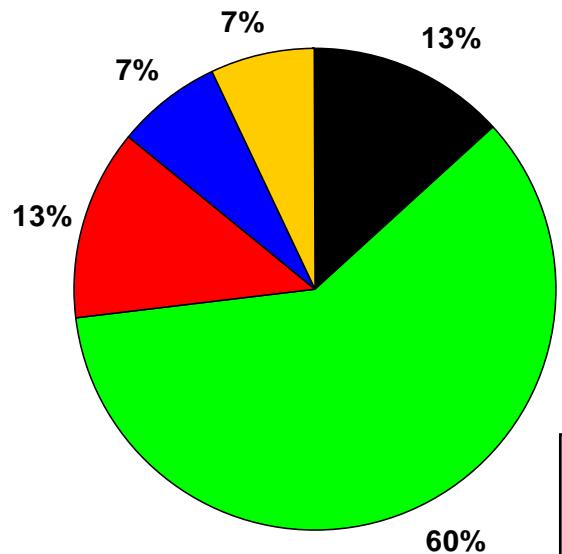
Loss in average statistical life expectancy due to identified anthropogenic PM2.5
 Calculations for 1997 meteorology
 Provisional estimates with generic assumption on urban increment of PM

M. Amann, IIASA

Cytotoxicity of wood smoke from bad combustion: N. Klippel, Verenum

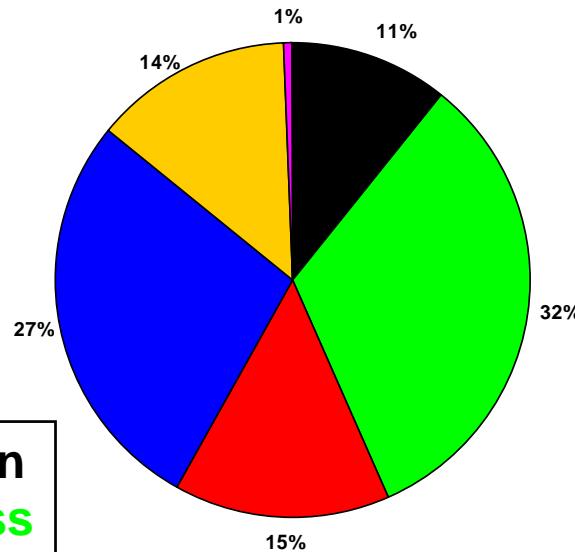


Average composition in Zürich in summer and winter



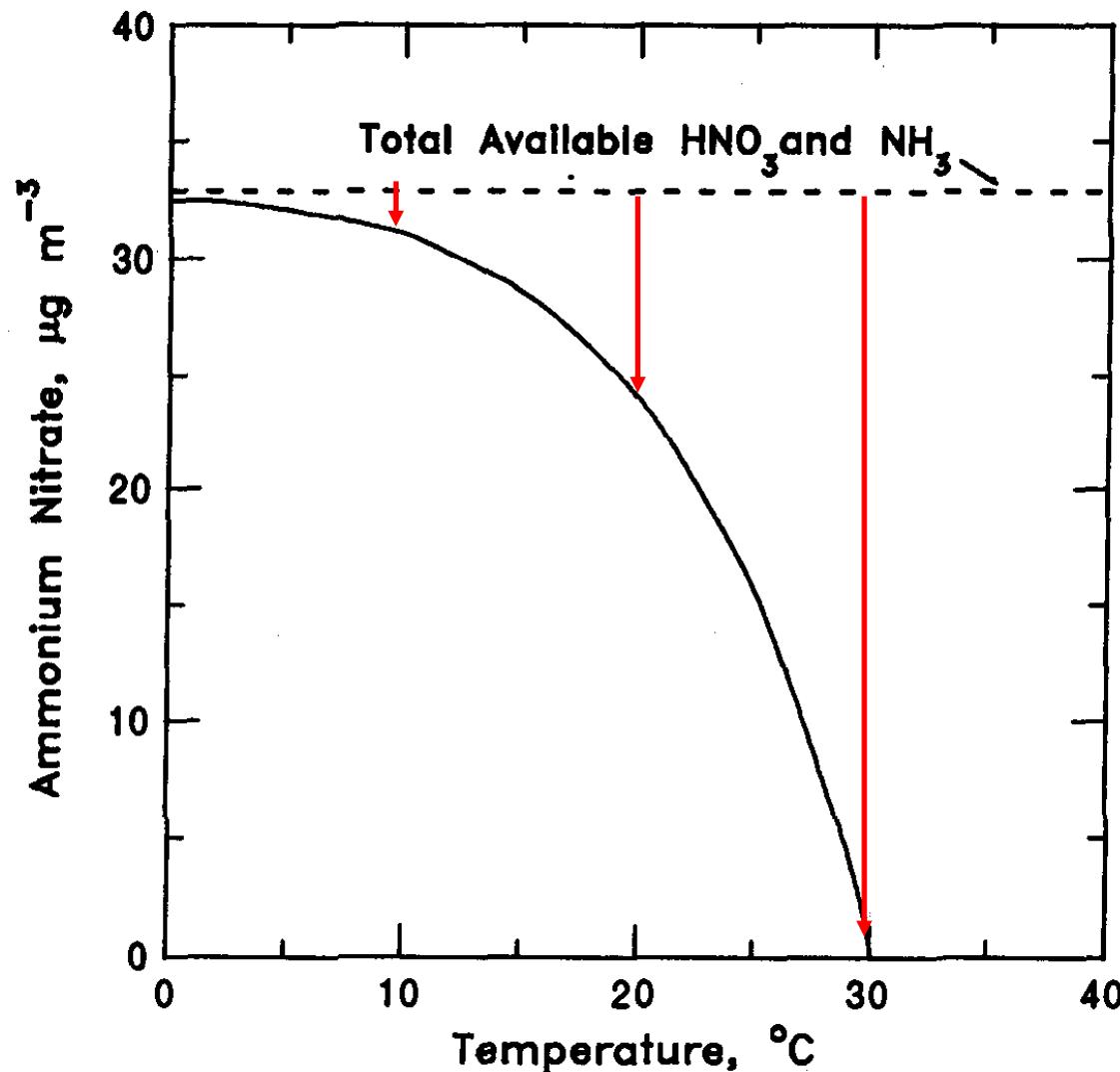
Zürich (July)

Black Carbon
Organic mass
Nitrate
Sulfate
Ammonium



Zürich (January)

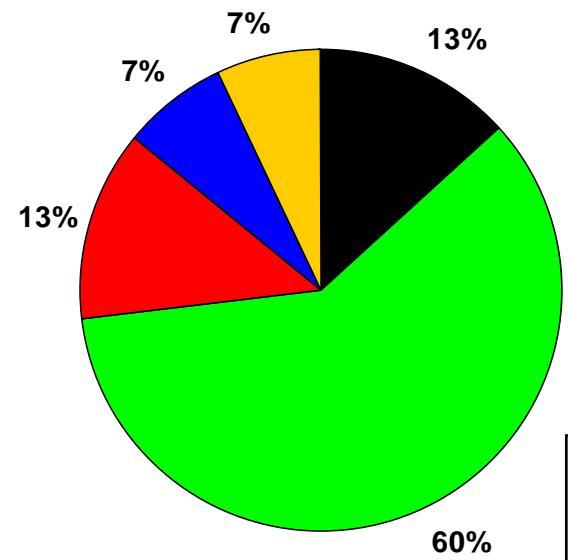
Concentration of solid ammonium nitrate as a function of temperature



7 $\mu\text{g/m}^3 \text{NH}_3$
26.5 $\mu\text{g/m}^3 \text{HNO}_3$
RH = 30%

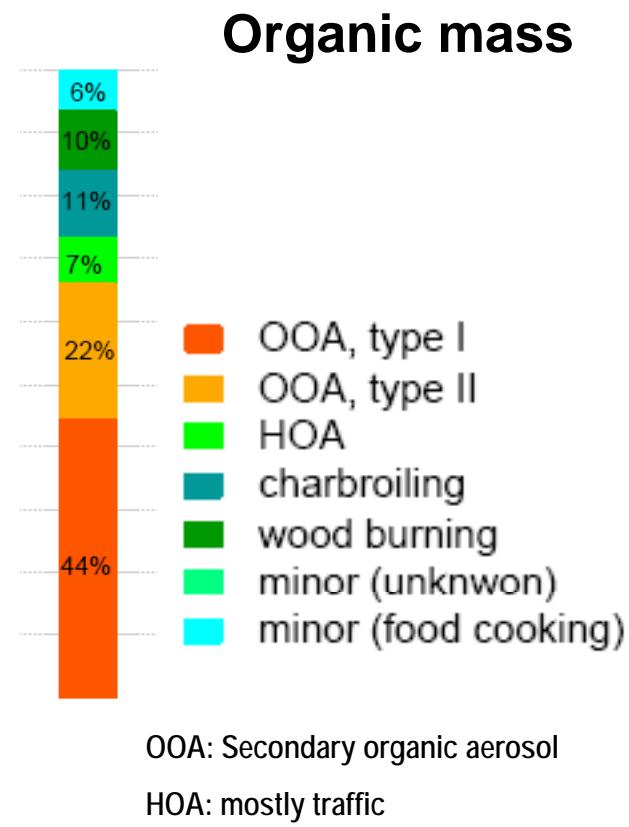
↓ Gas phase conc.

Chemical composition in Zürich summer and Positive Matrix Factorization of the organic matter



Zürich (July)

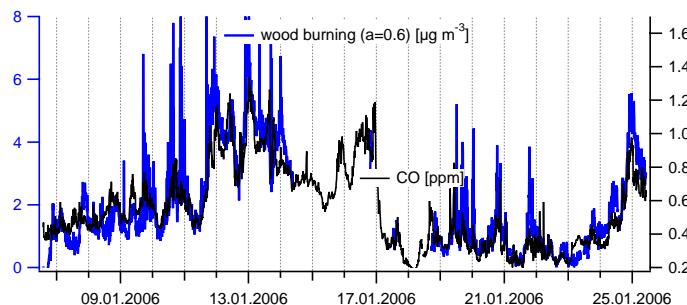
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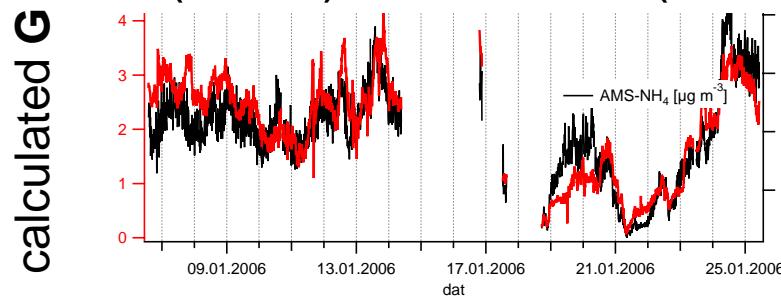
Lanz et al., ACP (2007)

Plausibility of solution including 3 factors

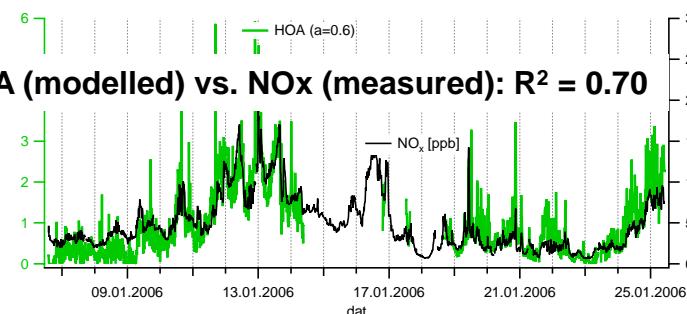
wood burning (modelled) vs CO (measured): $R^2 = 0.78$



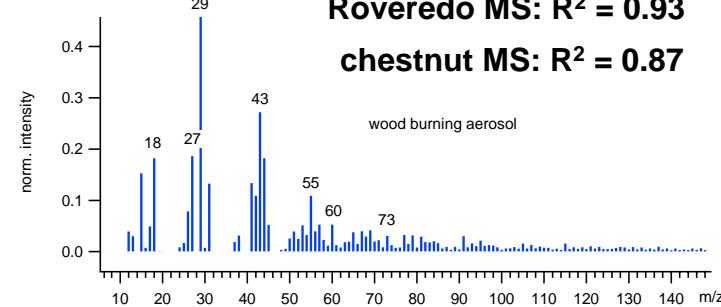
OOA (modelled) vs. AMS-ammonium (measured) $R^2 = 0.72$



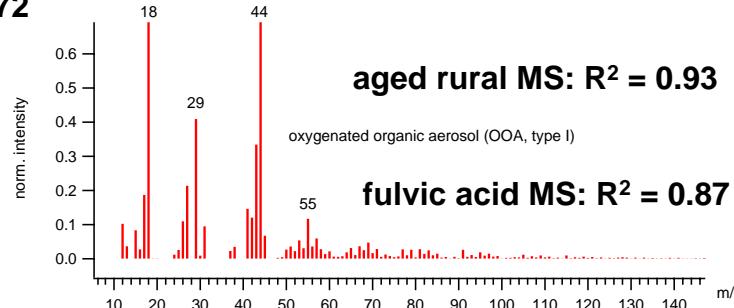
HOA (modelled) vs. NOx (measured): $R^2 = 0.70$



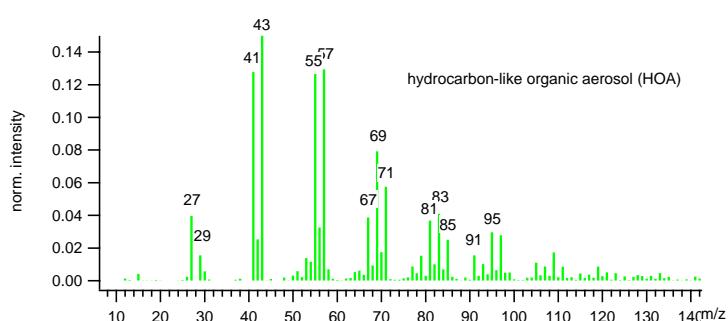
Roveredo MS: $R^2 = 0.93$



aged rural MS: $R^2 = 0.93$

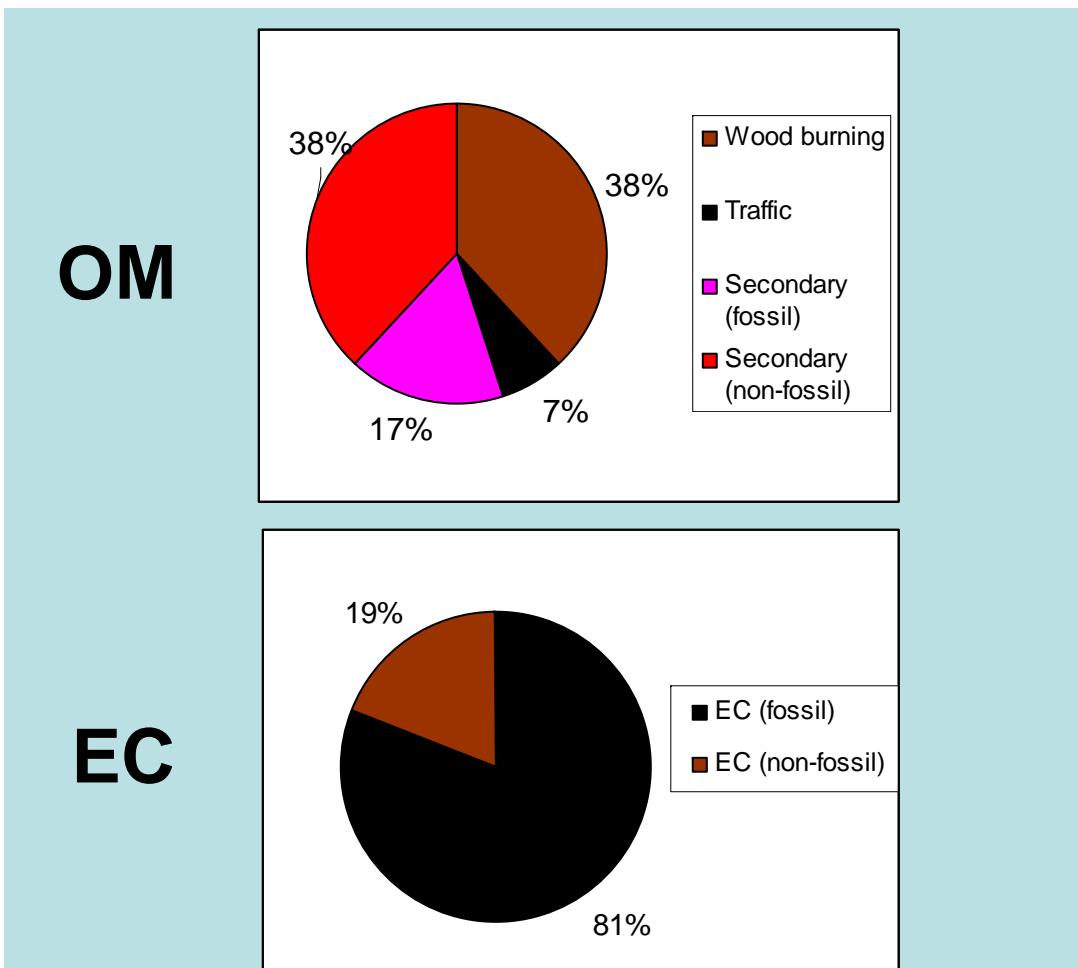


fulvic acid MS: $R^2 = 0.87$



Carbon apportionment using ^{14}C analysis

Estimation of fossil and non-fossil SOA contribution



Use of AMS analysis :

- wood burning 38%
- HOA 7%

Assumptions :

- only SOA, HOA and wood burning present
- $\text{OM}/\text{OC}=2$ for wood burning and SOA and $\text{OM}/\text{OC}=1.2$ for HOA

Smogchamber results of Carnegie Mellon

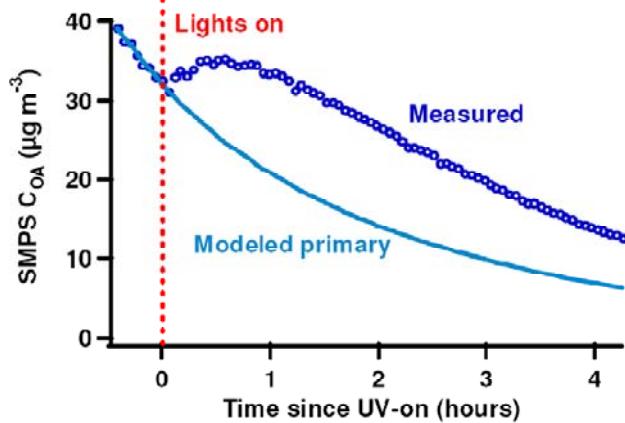


Figure 2 – Time series of aerosol mass (assuming $\rho = 1 \text{ g cc}^{-1}$) during an oxidation experiment and modeled primary mass assuming first order wall. Mass increases substantially when UV lights are turned on.

- Smog chamber results indicate that wood burning emissions is doubled after only 2 hours of chemistry

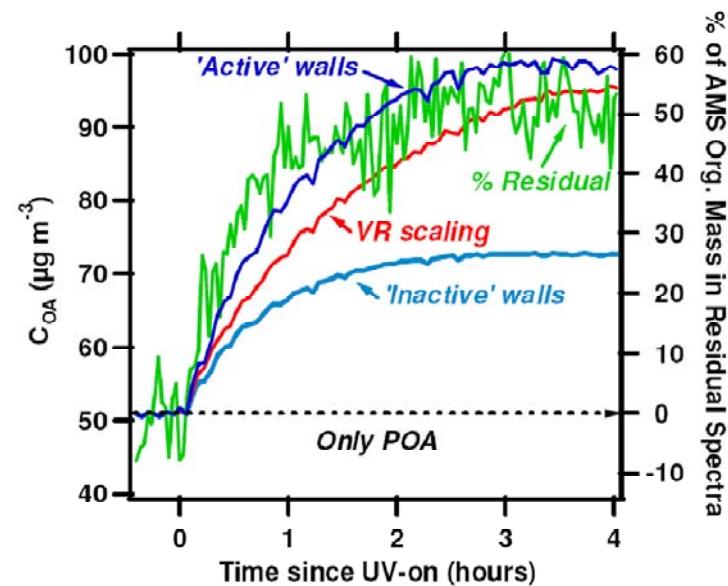
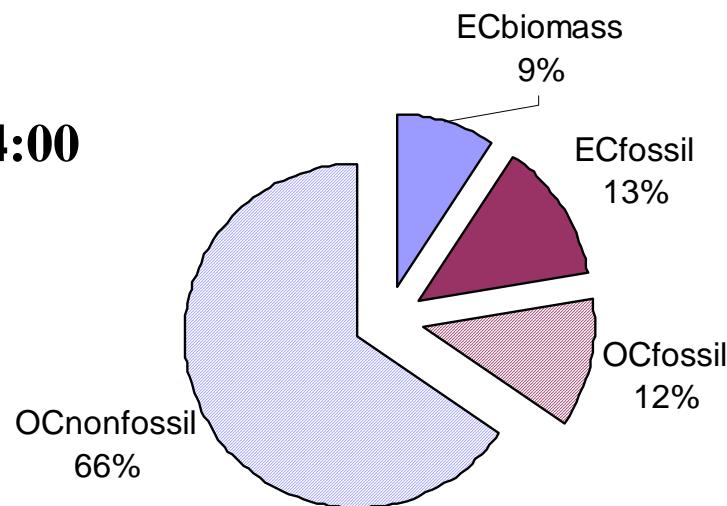


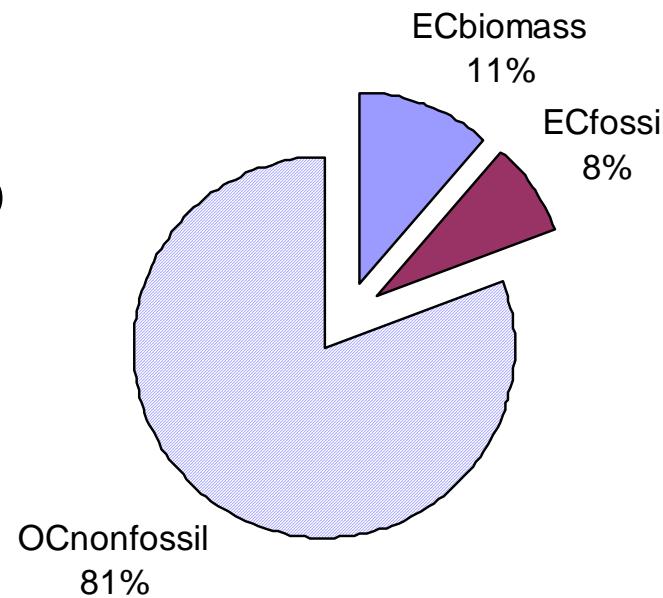
Figure 3 – Total aerosol mass (suspension + walls) during an experiment calculated with: 1) wall loss correction (with and without 'active' walls); 2) volume ratio. Also shown, against the right-hand axis, is the fractional contribution of the residual spectrum to the total AMS organic spectrum.

Roveredo in an Alpine valley, Januar 2005

06:00 – 14:00



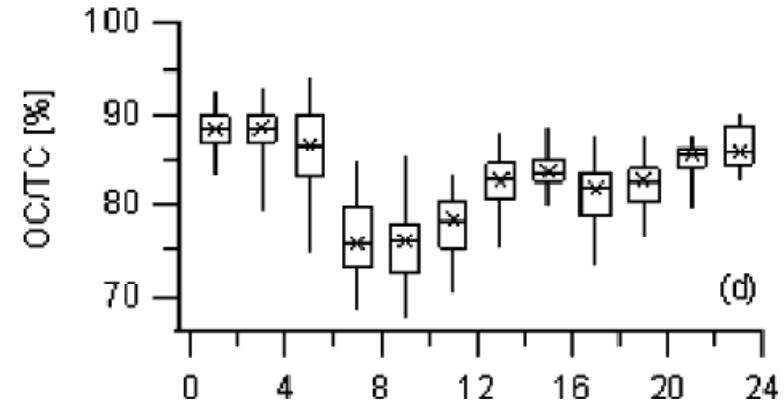
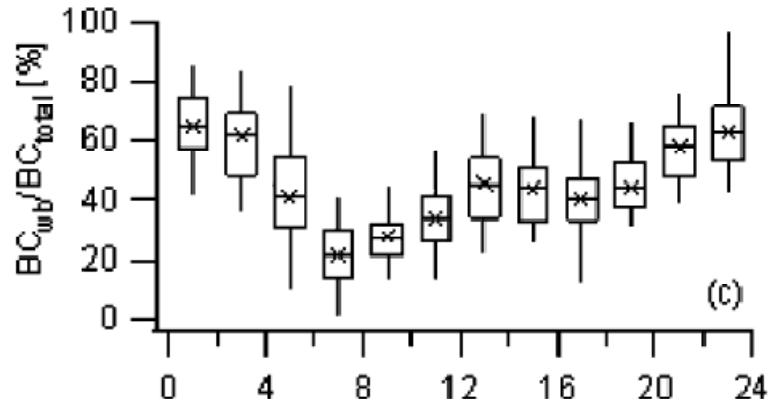
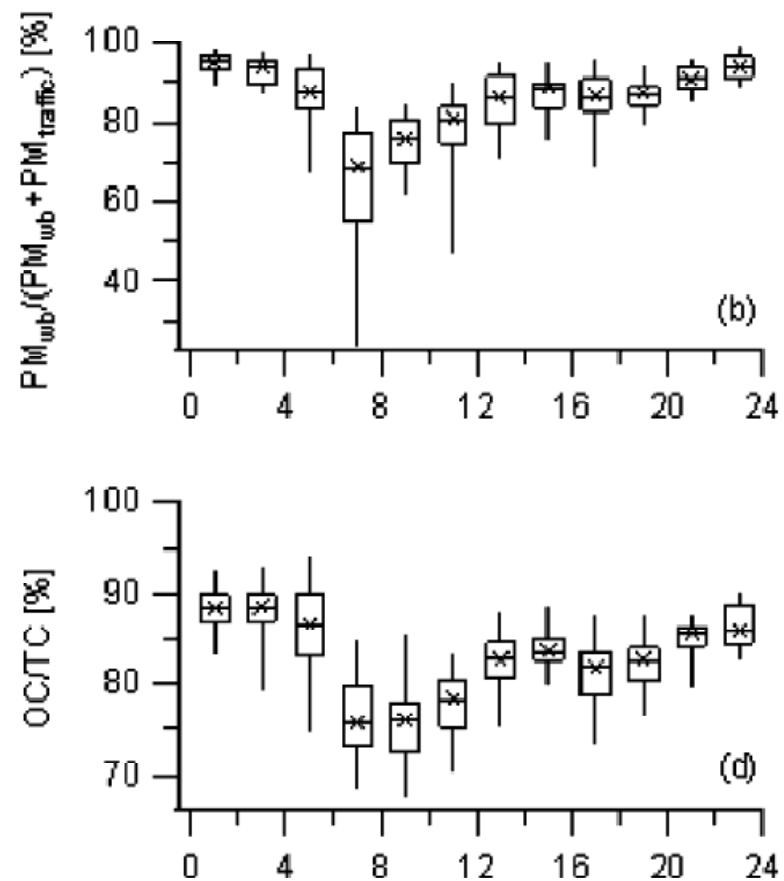
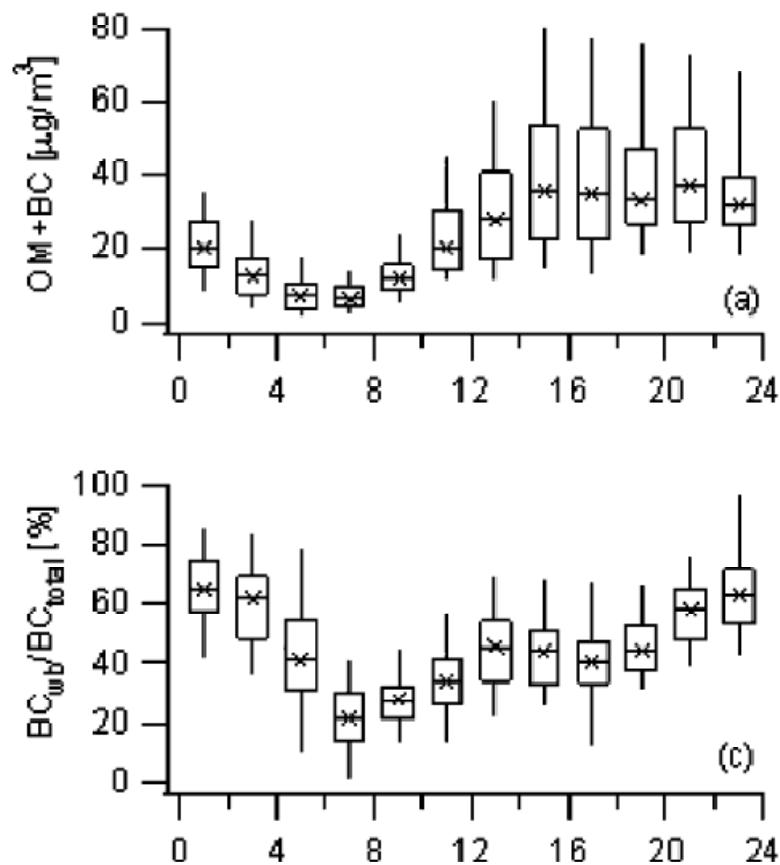
18:00 – 02:00



Szidat et al., GRL, 2007



Average diurnal cycle of the carbonaceous material, OC/EC and wood burning versus traffic contributions



Aerosol mass spectra

Levoglucosan

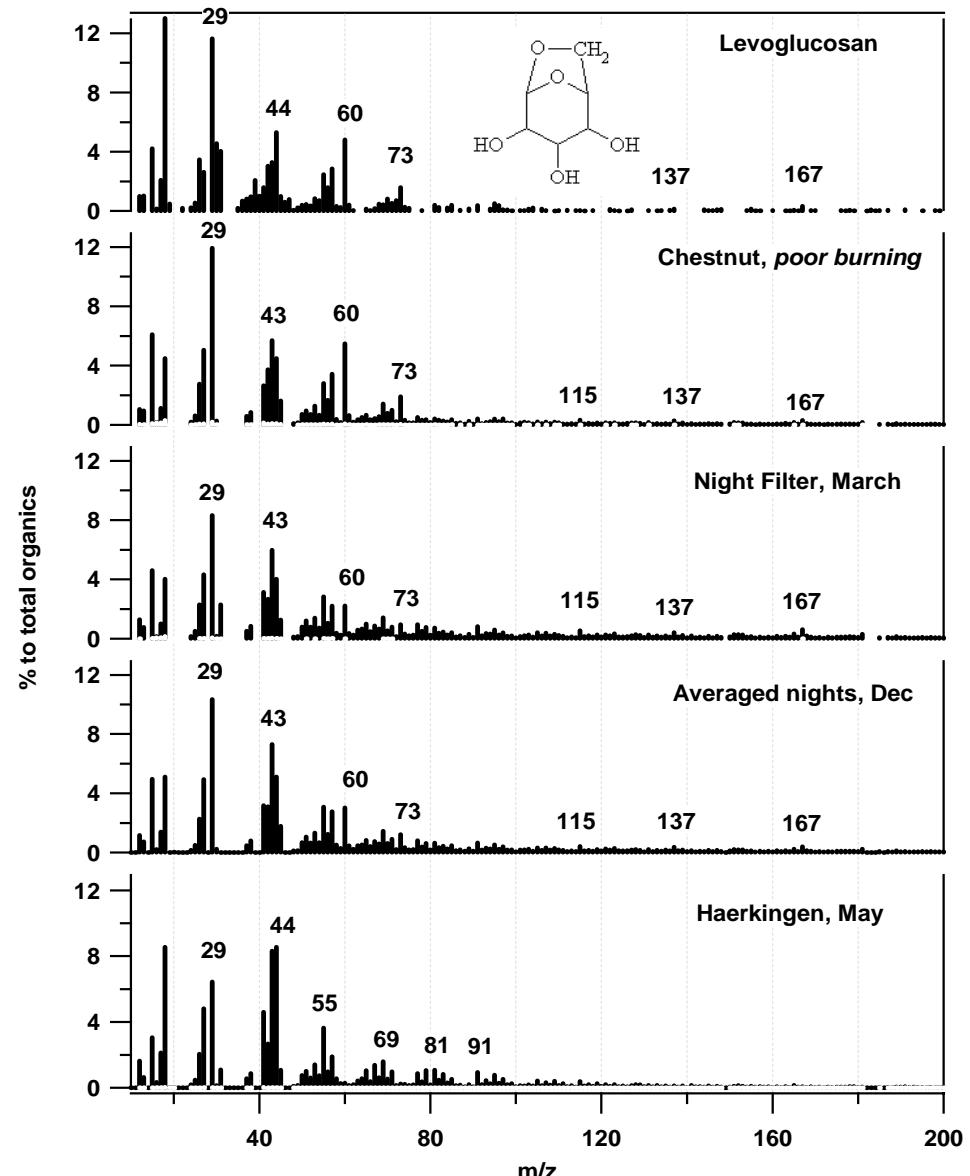
**Wood burner (emissions) chestnut,
very inefficient burning**

**Night period in Roveredo in March,
more than 80% of OC non-fossil**

**Average in Roveredo over the
whole December**

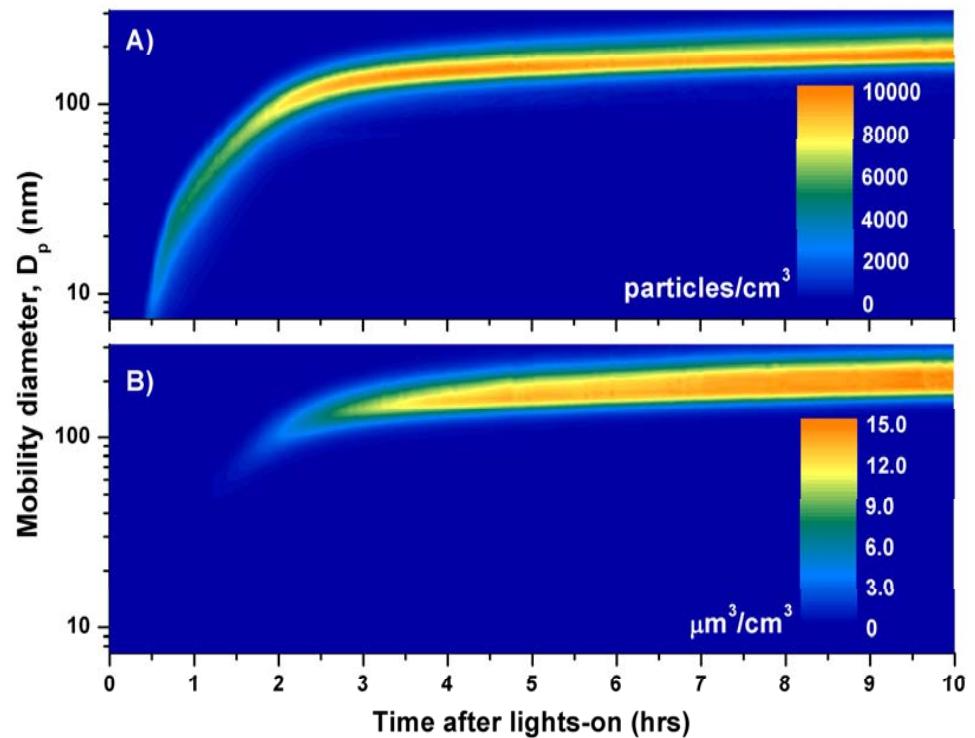
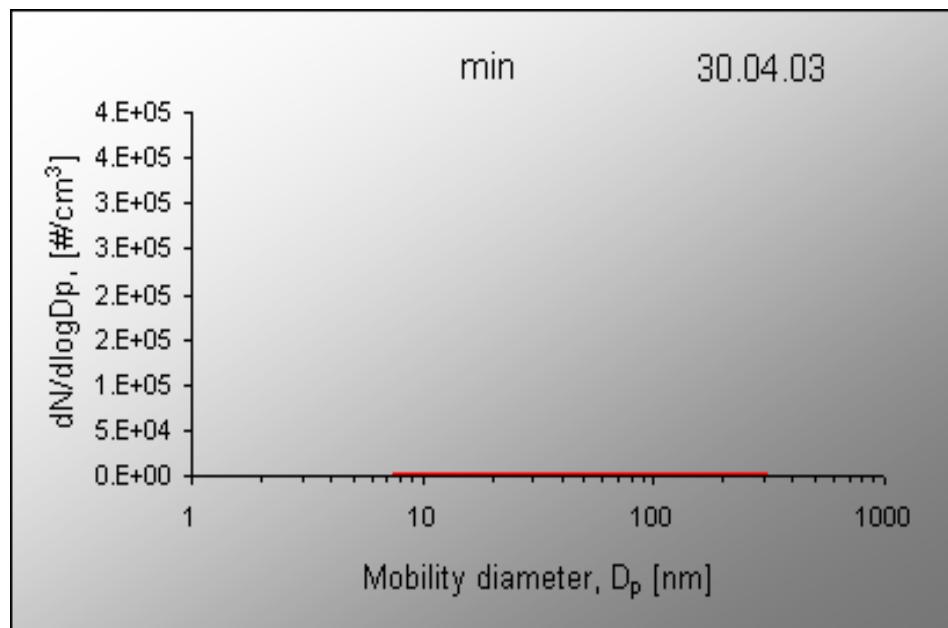
**Mass spectra from a Motorway site
in May**

Alfarra et al. ES&T (2007)

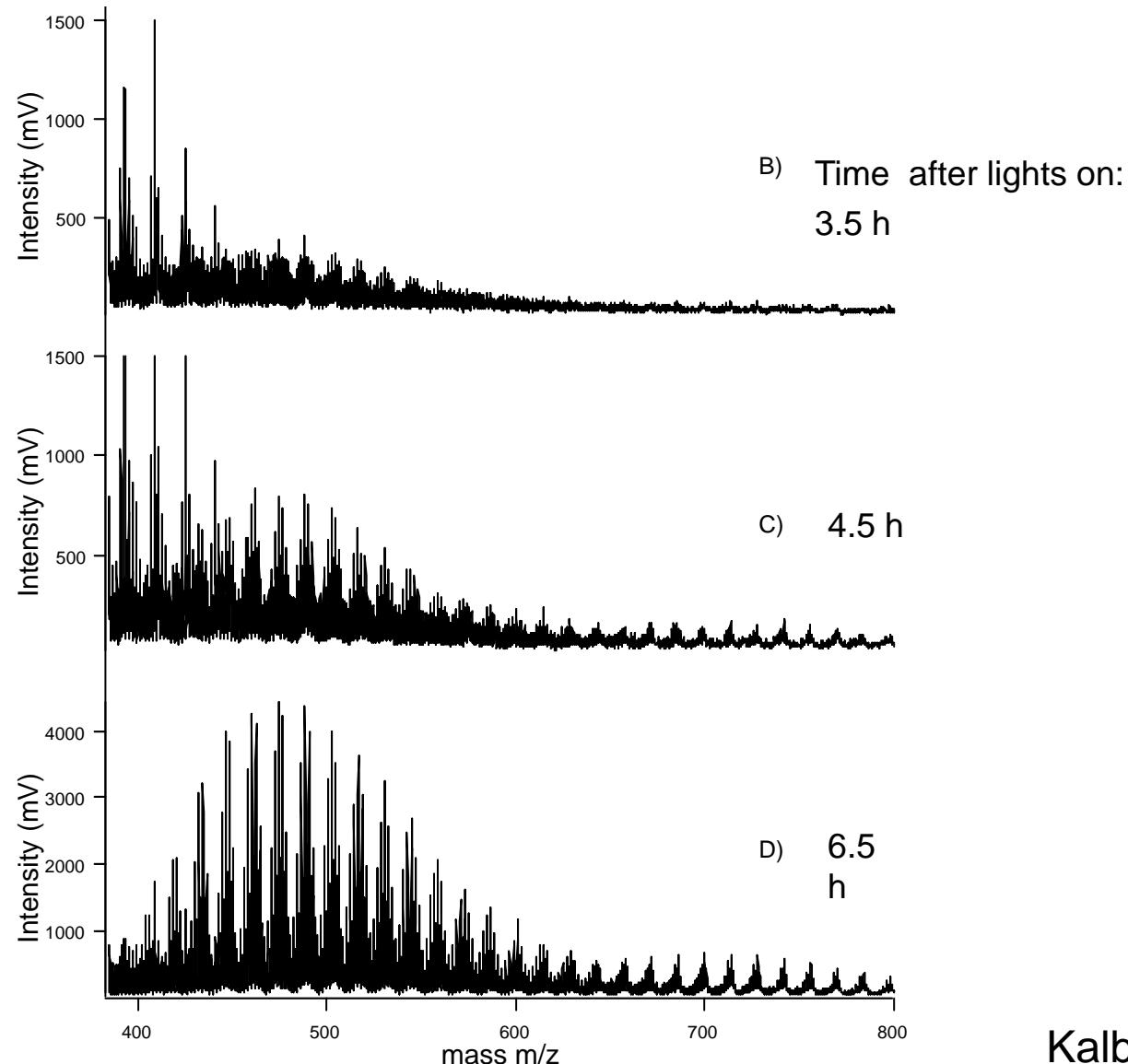


SOA formation from TMB (at 50% RH)

Trimethylbenzene + NOx + light →→ Secondary Organic Aerosol

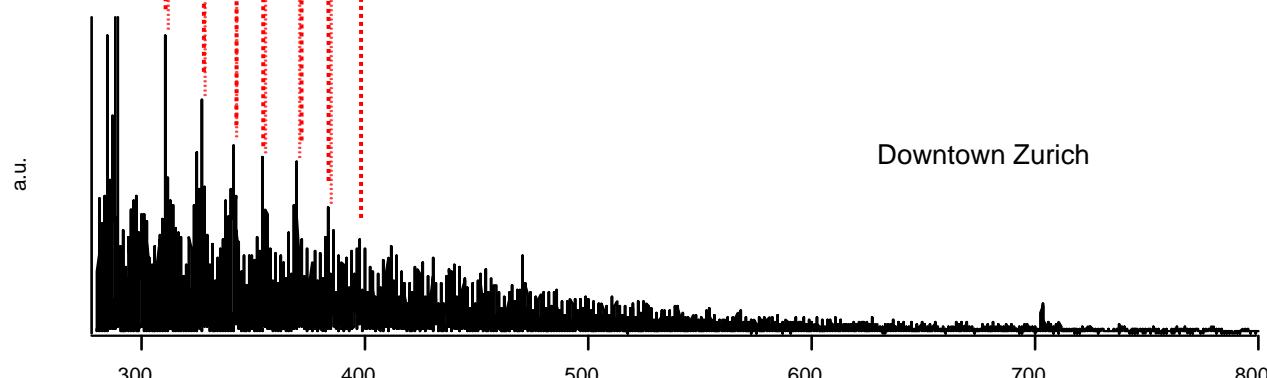
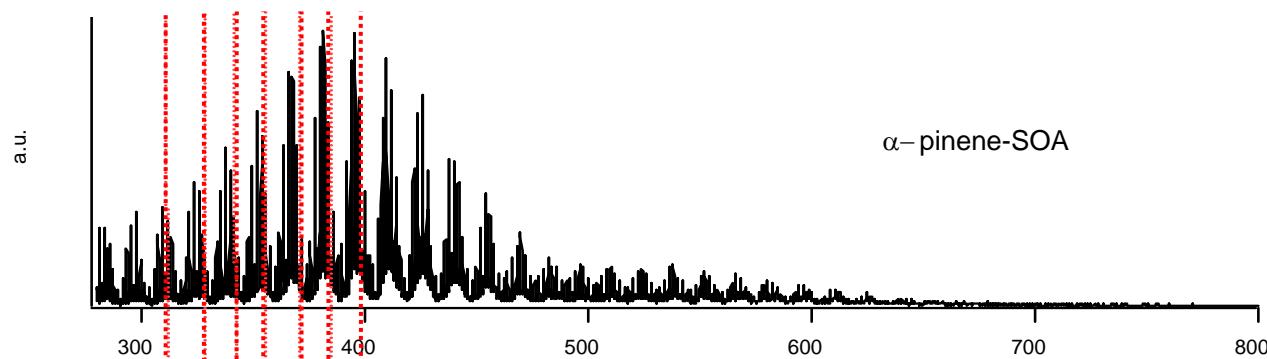
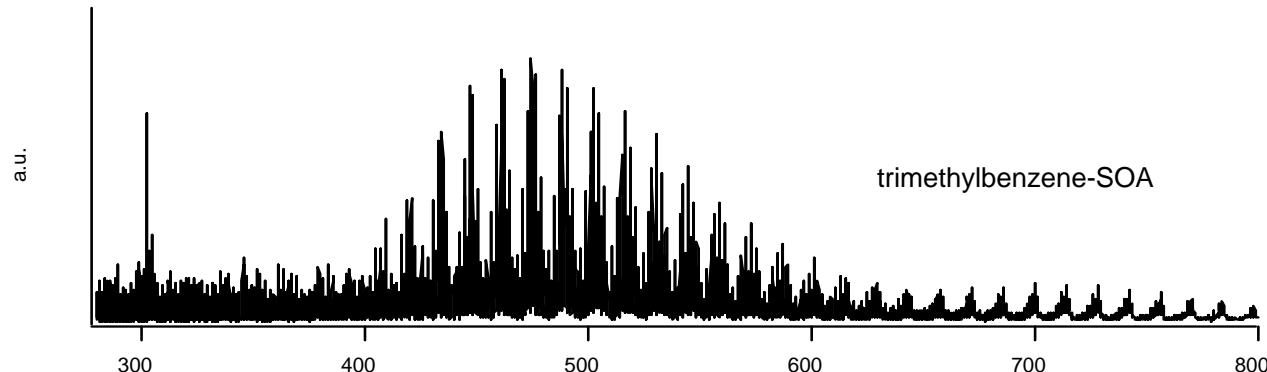


Observation of SOA oligomerization by Laser Desorption Ionization



Kalberer et al., Science (2004)

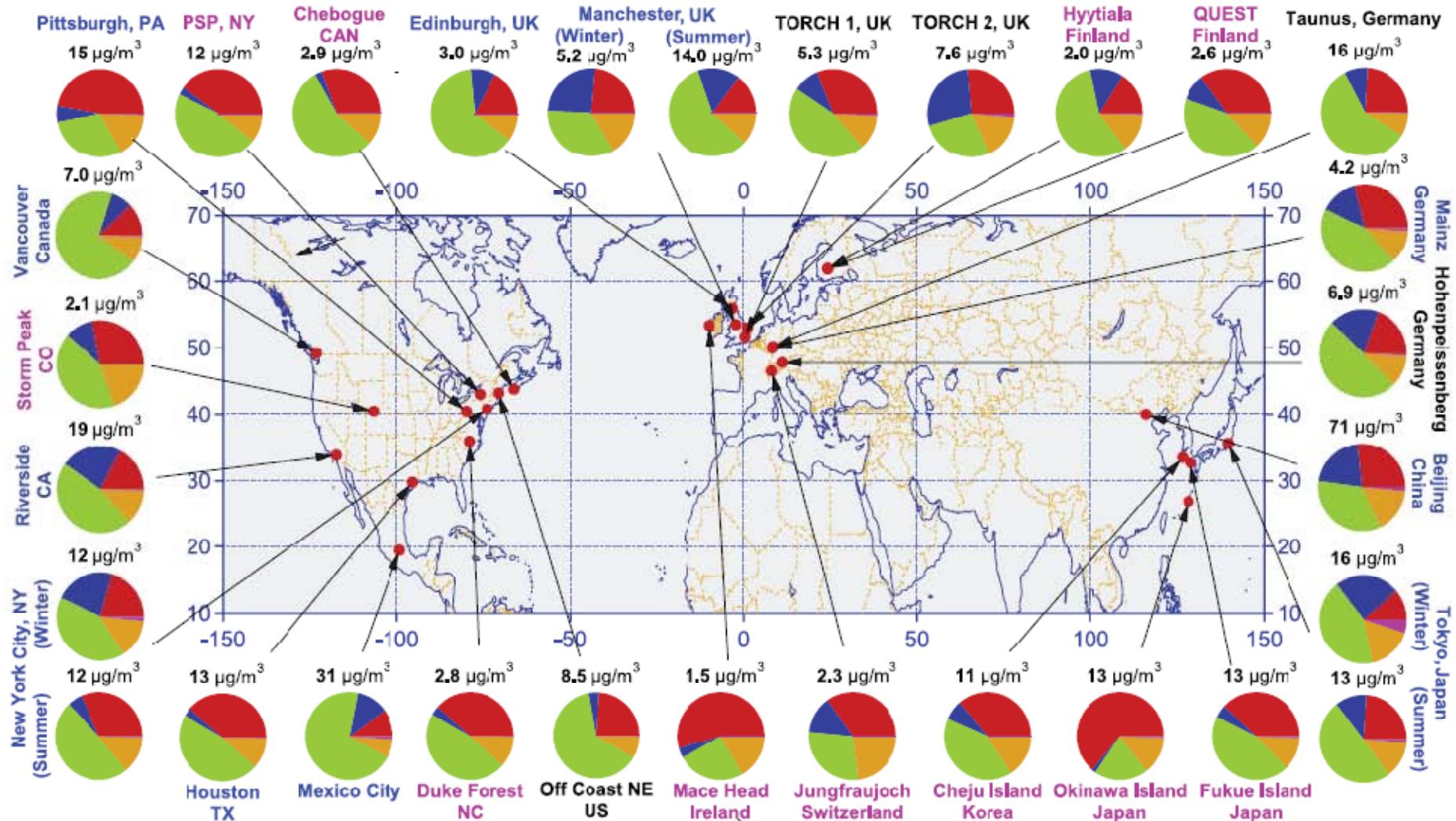
Comparison of smogchamber aerosols with ambient sample



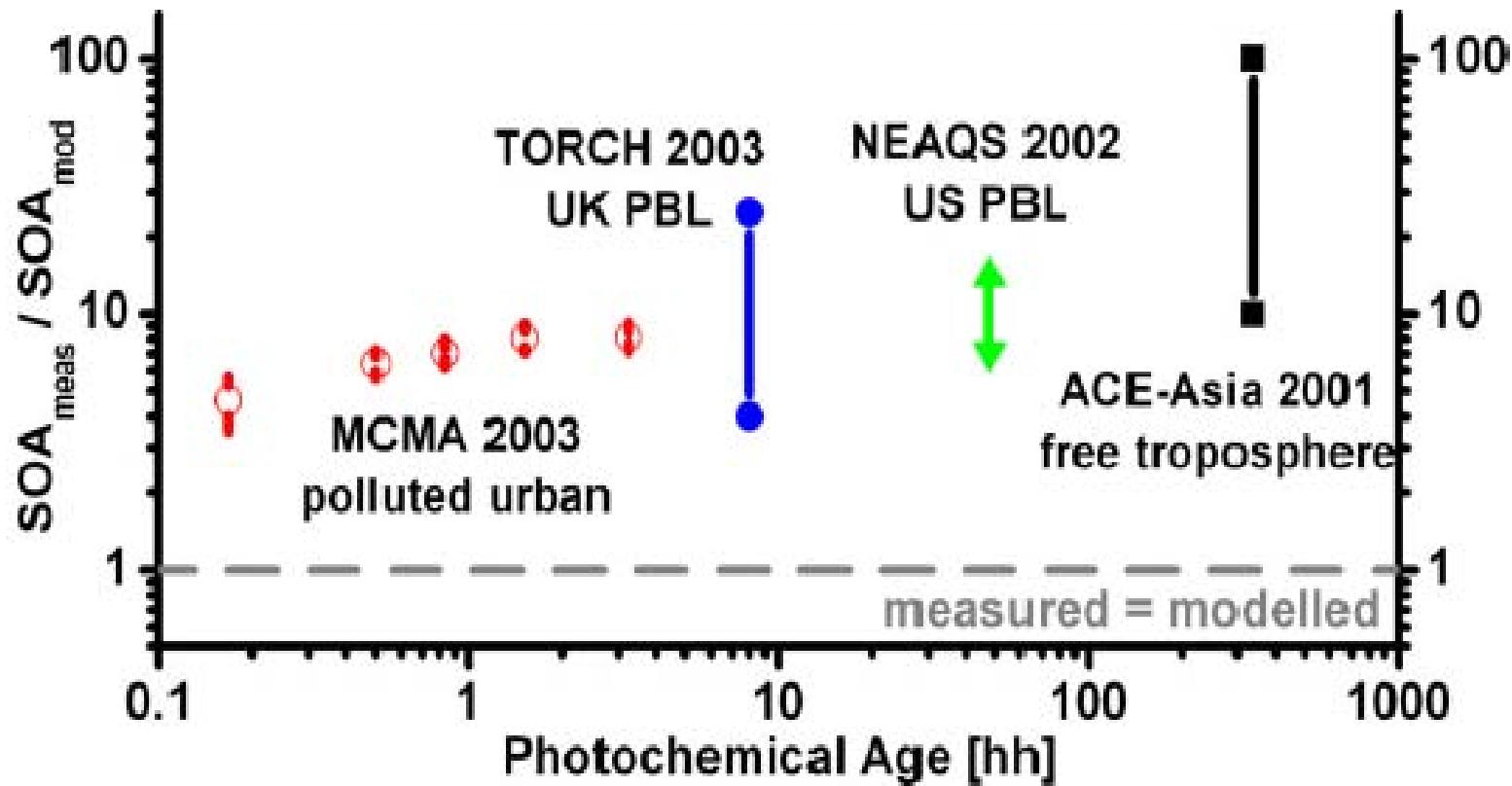
Pattern of Zurich points to α -pinene rather than TMB (or other anthrop. precursors)

Baltensperger et al.
Faraday Disc. (2005)

Worldwide AMS measurements of the chemical composition



Models underestimate SOA



Volkamer et al. GRL 2006

SUMMARY

A significant progress was made in last years but many challenges remain:

- Better instrumentation (cheaper, smaller, more long-term, more specific, more precise, ...) is still needed
- Long-term chemical composition of aerosols is needed
- Secondary organic aerosol formation needs to be understood and implemented in models
- Health effects : more specific to size and chemical composition
- Climate : Indirect effects are not quantitatively understood