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# **Emission, source identification and evolution of black carbon in China**

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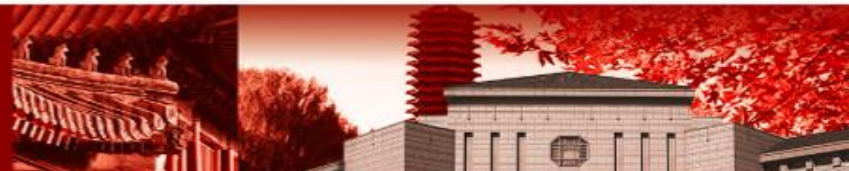
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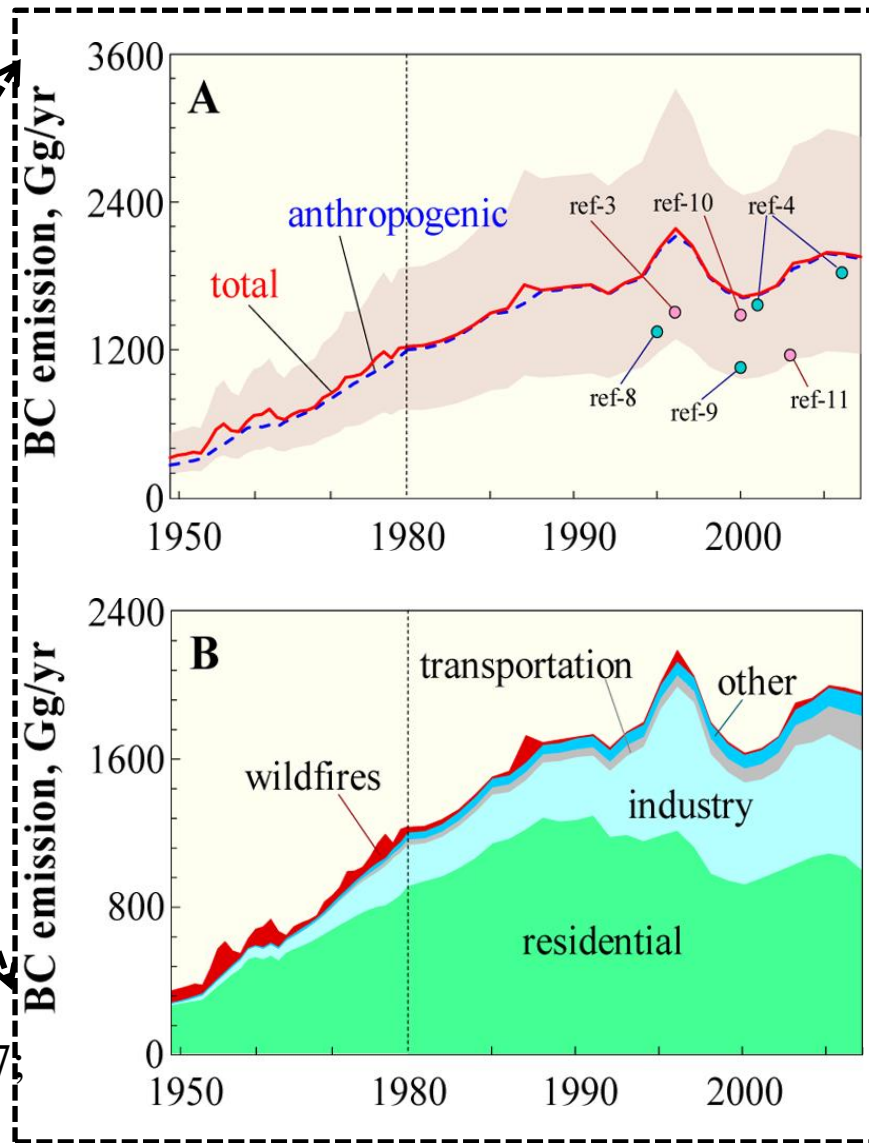
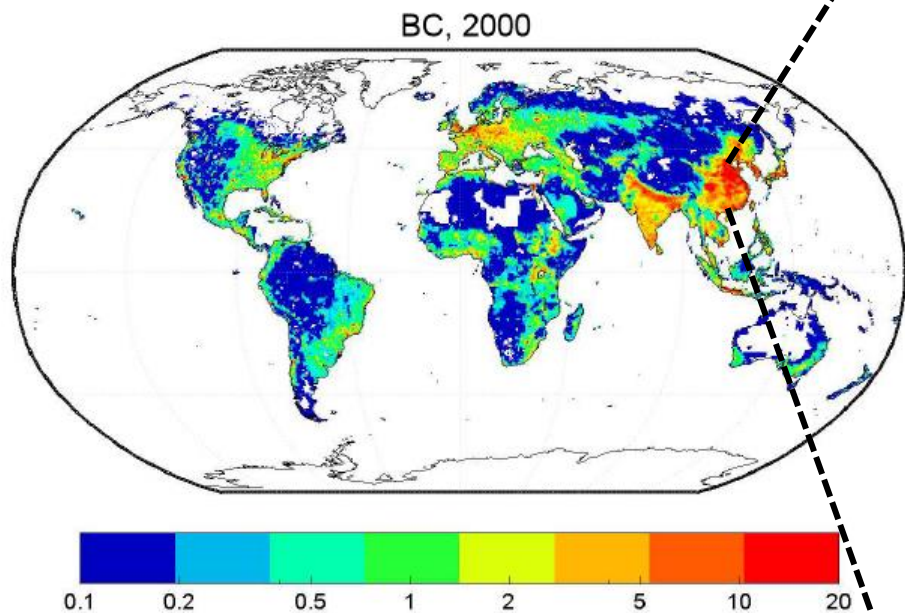
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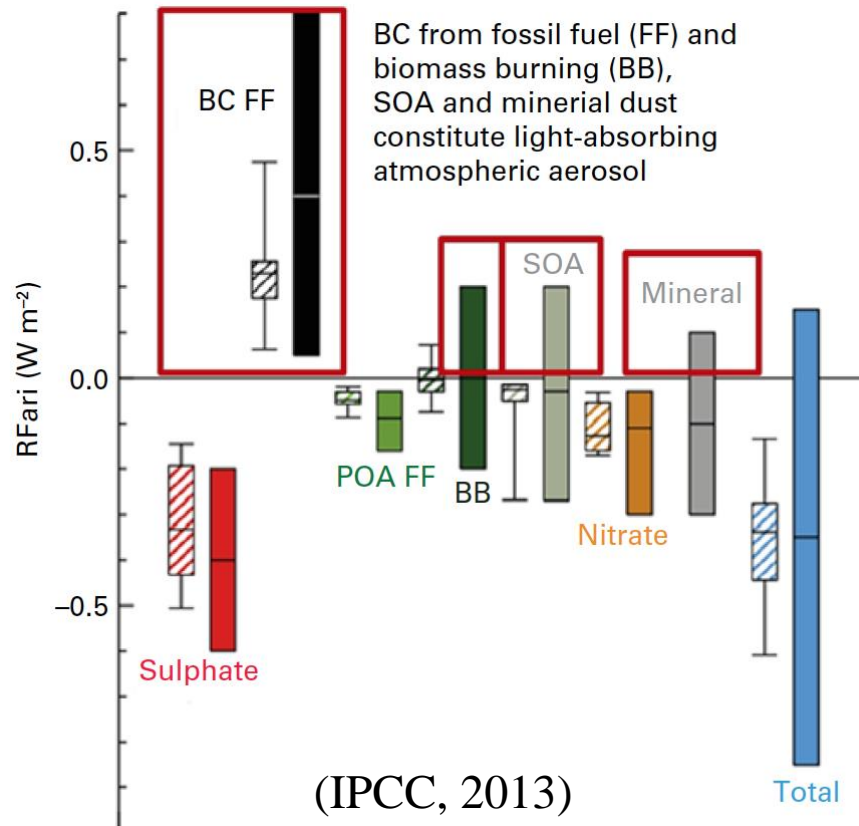


# Emission inventory of BC in China



Bond et al., *Global biogeochemical cycles* 2007,  
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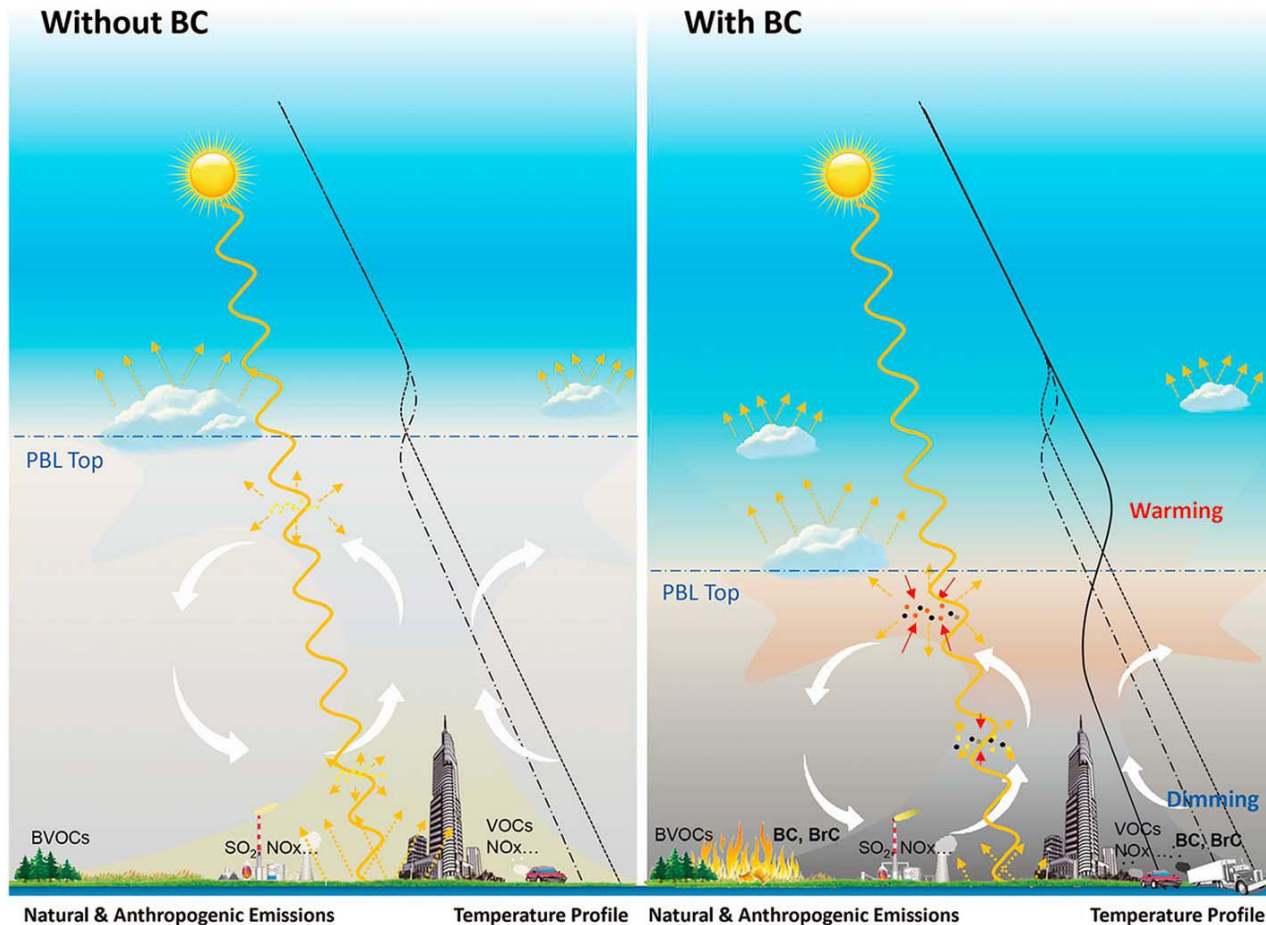
# Why focusing on BC particle ?



BC is the light-absorbing aerosol particle, identified as the second-most important climate forcing agent after CO<sub>2</sub>, and as one of the most important so-called short-lived climate forcers.

- BC radiative forcing: +0.64 W/m<sup>2</sup> (IPCC, 2013)
- Uncertainty source: Emission, life time, mass absorption cross-section (MAC), absorption forcing efficiency (Bond et al., 2013)

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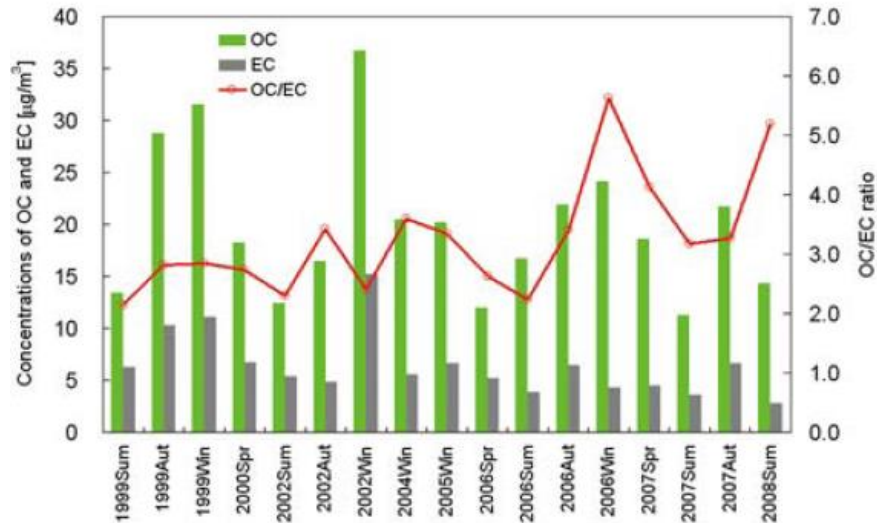


BC plays the key role in modifying the PBL meteorology and hence enhancing the haze pollution

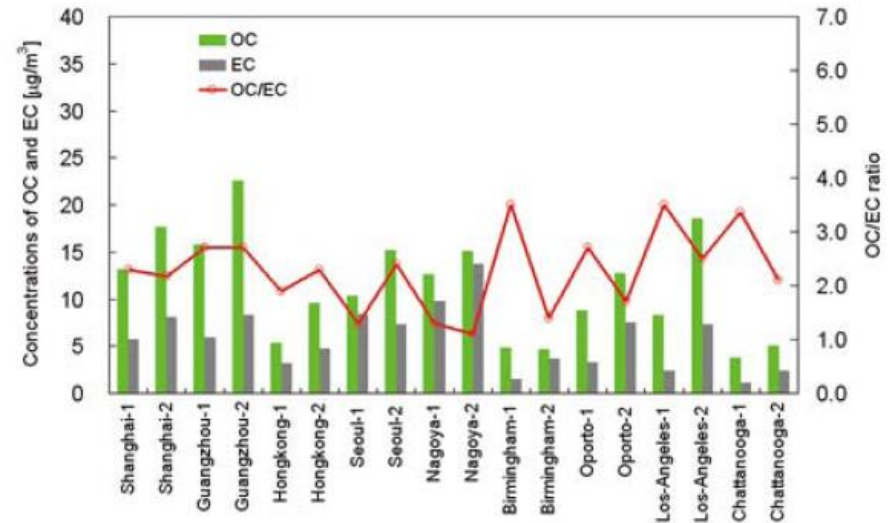


# High carbonaceous aerosols in PM<sub>2.5</sub>

## Beijing 1999-2008



## Comparison with other cities

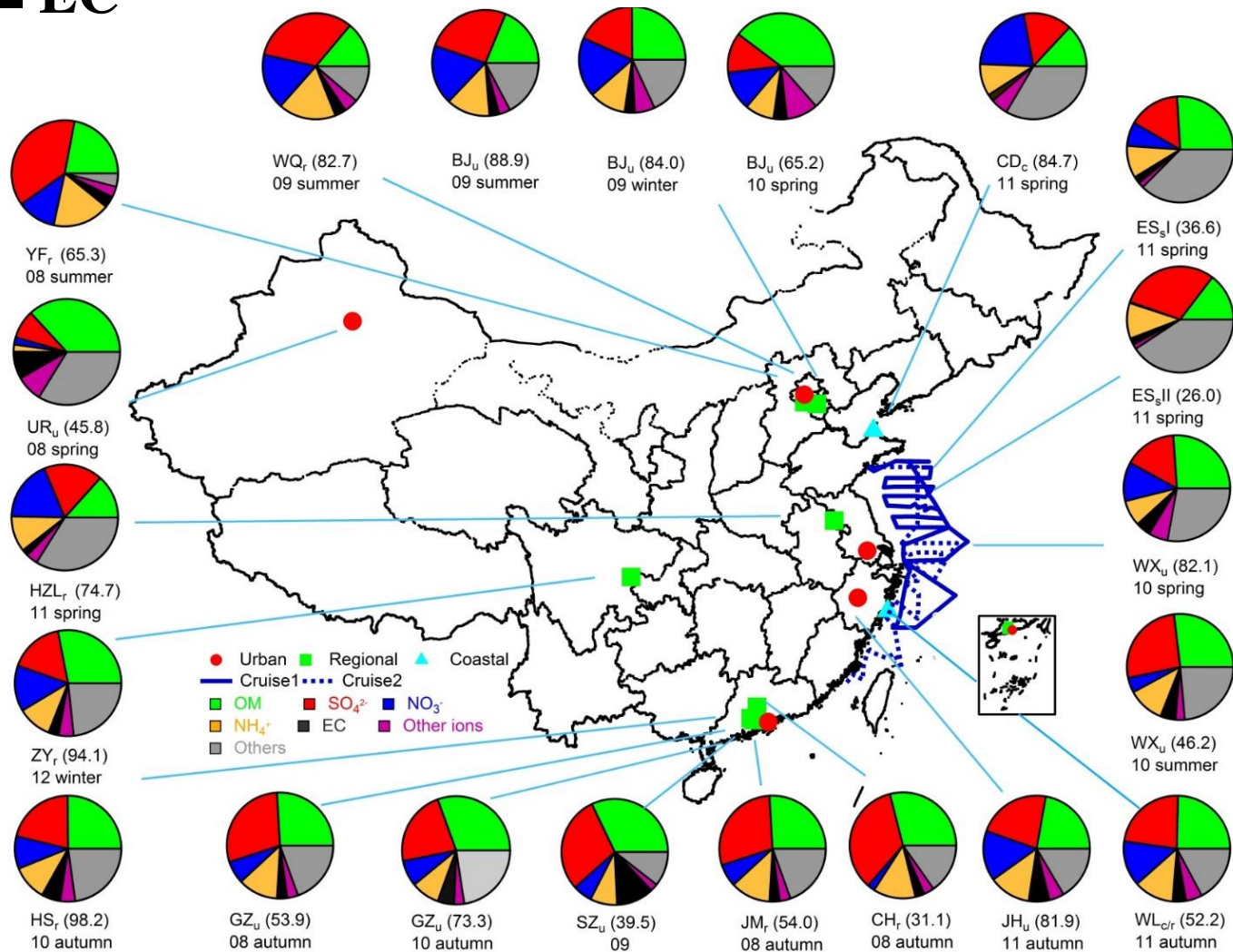


- High OC and EC concentrations in Beijing compared with other cities
- High OC/EC ratio indicates the large fraction of SOC

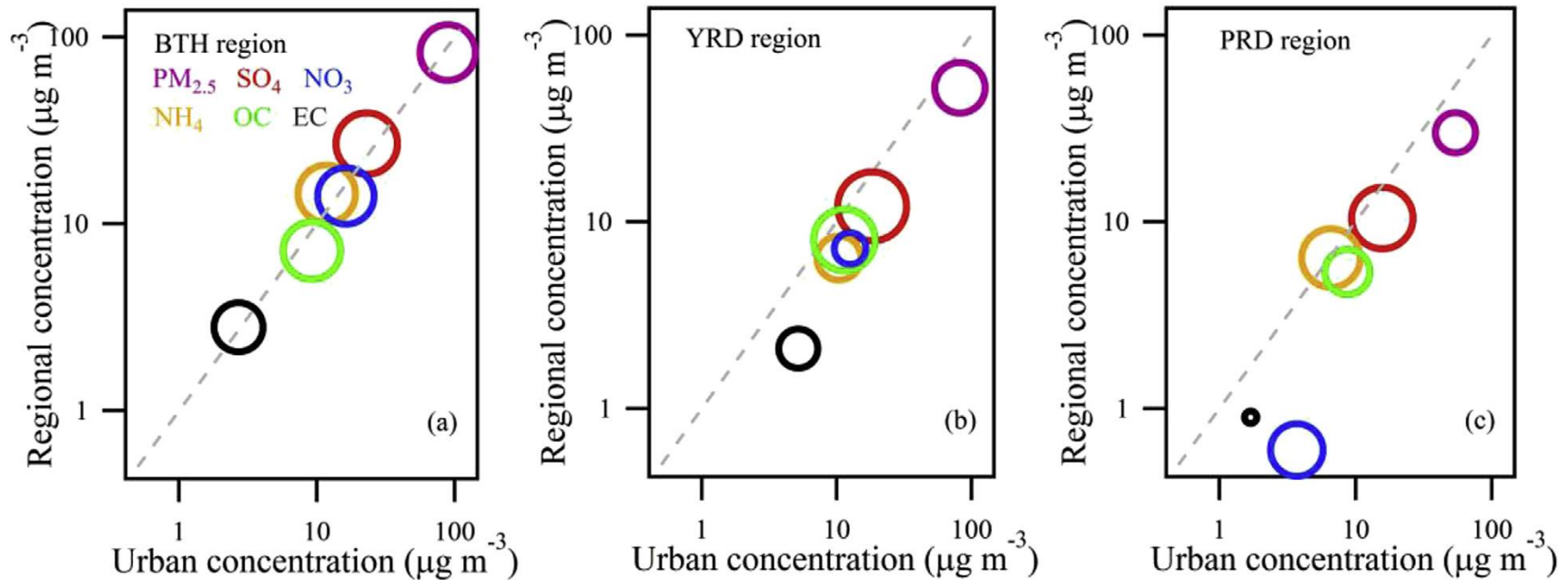
It is necessary to investigate the sources and formation of organic aerosols

# PM<sub>2.5</sub> and its major chemical speciation at different locations in China

## ■ EC



# Comparison of PM<sub>2.5</sub> and major chemical species for urban and regional sites



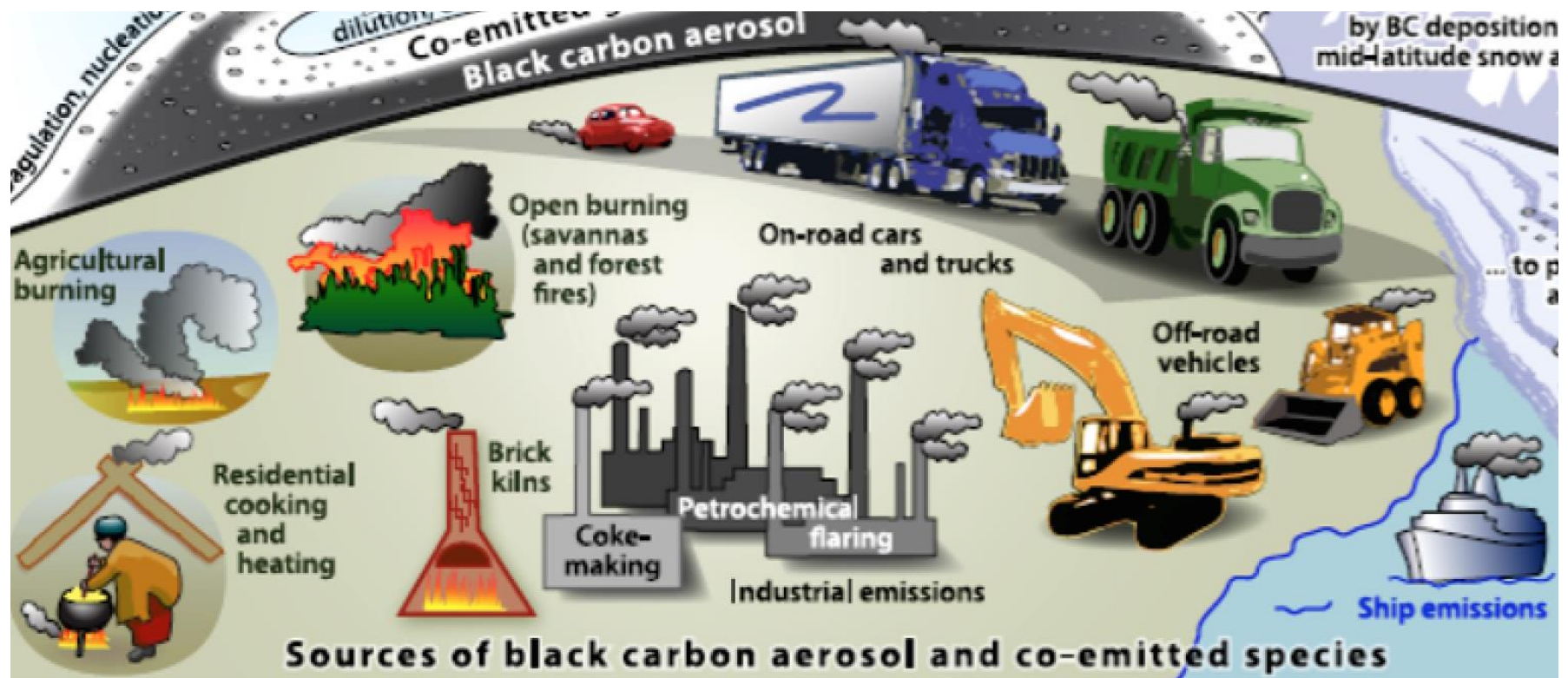
The size of each circle is proportional to correlation values between the temporal trends of each species



EC, stronger local contribution urban reached 222% higher than regional sites  
 For most chemical species, urban similar to regional sites, uniform regional pollution

# Work done by PKU group

## ● Emission factor and characteristics of BC



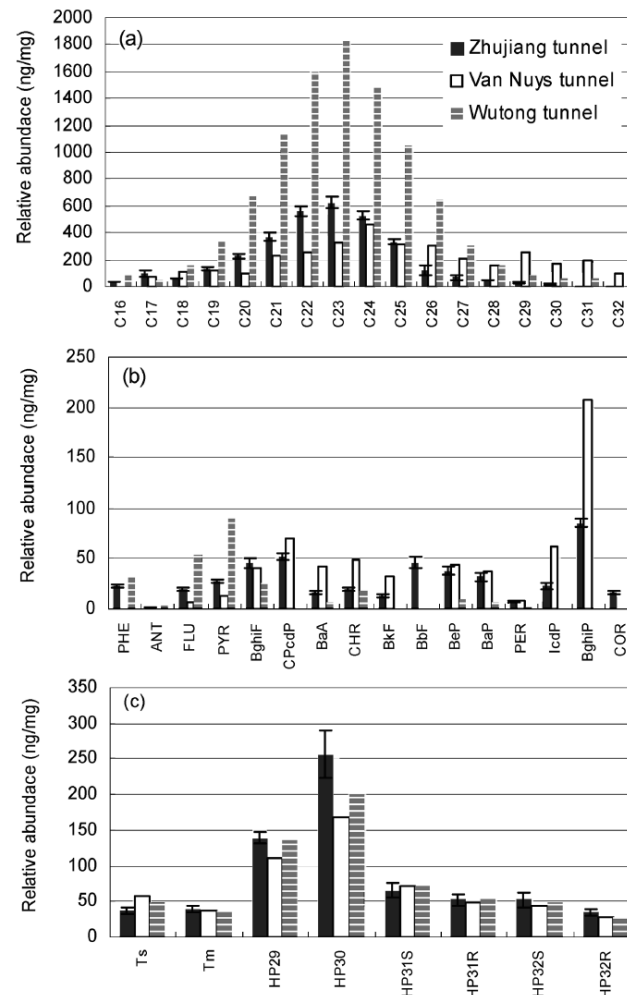


# Fine Particle Emissions from On-Road Vehicles in the Zhujiang Tunnel, China

**TABLE 1. Average Speciated PM<sub>2.5</sub> Emission Factors (mg vehicle<sup>-1</sup> km<sup>-1</sup>) in Zhujiang Tunnel and Comparisons with Other Tunnel Studies**

species	Zhujiang Tunnel <sup>a</sup>	Sepulveda Tunnel <sup>b</sup>	Kilborn Tunnel <sup>c</sup>	Howell Tunnel <sup>c</sup>
mass	110 (4)	52	24.1	39.3
EC	49.6 (1.9)	25.50	6.87	10.8
OC	24.3 (0.93)	19.27	6.41	12.9
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	3.87 (0.61)	1.77		
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	1.37 (0.59)	3.27		
Cl <sup>-</sup>	0.98 (0.16)	0.67		
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.80 (0.25)	1.61		
Na (23)	0.37 (0.07)	0.30	0.98	0.038
Mg (24)	0.22 (0.02)	0.26	0.077	0.044
K (39)	0.14 (0.04)	0.08	0.13	0.065
Ca (44)	0.64 (0.09)	0.30	0.31	0.43
Ti (47)	0.027 (0.004)	0.09	0.010	0.19
V (51)	0.0015 (0.0008)	0.05	0.00068	0.00040
Cr (52)	0.0054 (0.0004)	0.02	0.012	0.0018
Mn (55)	0.019 (0.001)	0.02	0.0058	0.0060
Fe (57)	1.12 (0.09)	2.79	0.51	0.55
Co (59)	0.00013 (0.00004)	0.00	0.00	0.0004
Ni (60)	0.0034 (0.0014)	0.01	0.00	0.009
Cu (63)	0.034 (0.002)	0.17	0.014	0.012
Zn (66)	0.078 (0.010)	0.14	0.023	0.028
As (75)	0.0020 (0.0006)	0.00	0.0021	0.00045
Mo (98)	0.0014 (0.0001)	0.01	0.0020	0.0013
Cd (114)	0.00049 (0.00022)	0.02	0.00004	0.00005
Tl (205)	0.00004 (0.00002)	0.00	0.00002	0.00001
Pb (208)	0.014 (0.003)	0.03	0.0031	0.0010
U (238)	0.00004 (0.00001)	0.00	0.00001	0.00

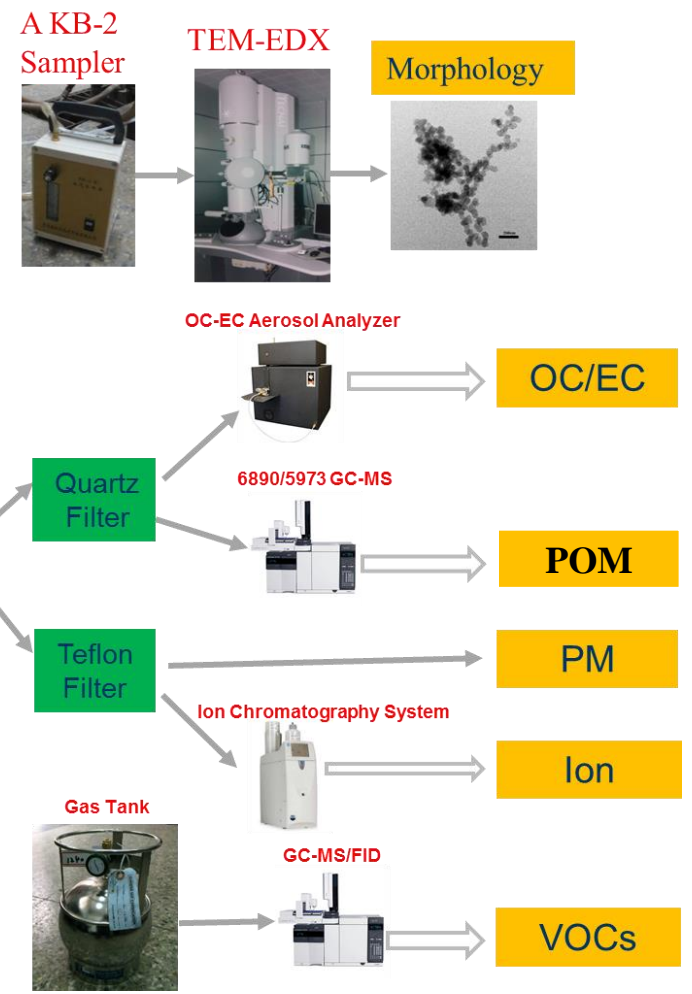
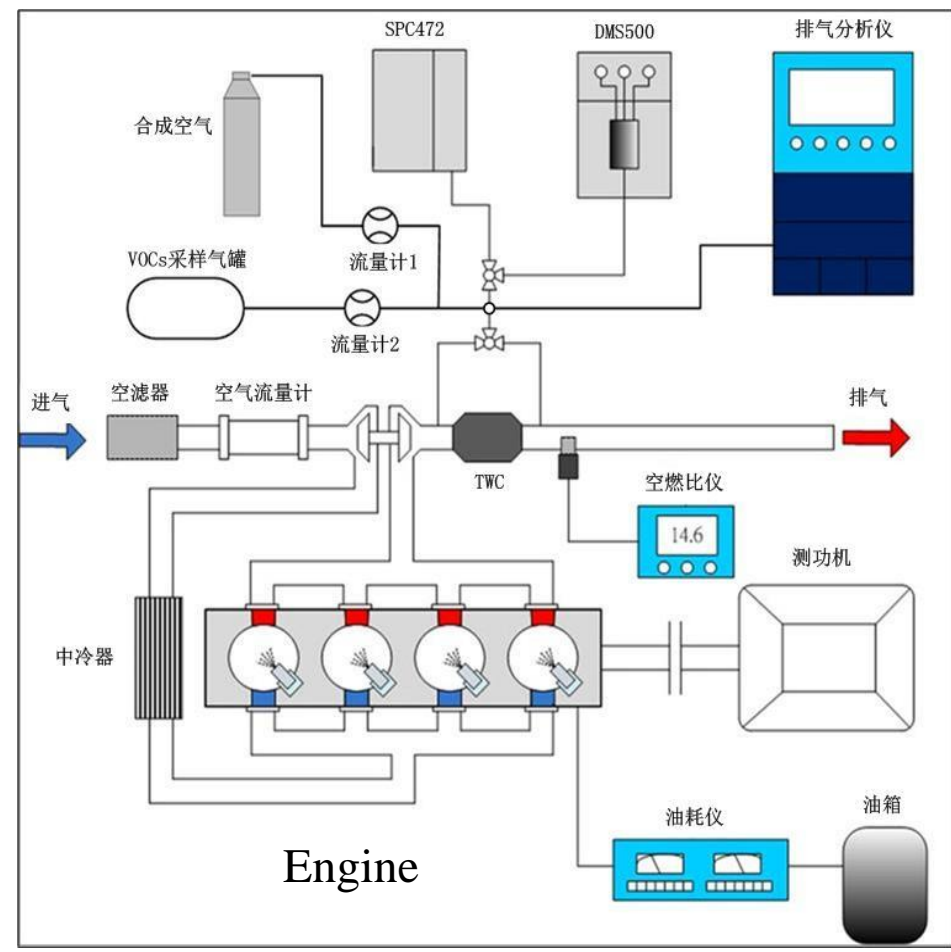
<sup>a</sup> Values in parentheses indicate associated uncertainties (SD/ $\sqrt{n}$ ). <sup>b</sup> Data from ref 21. <sup>c</sup> Data for summer weekday tests in the Supporting Information of ref 22.



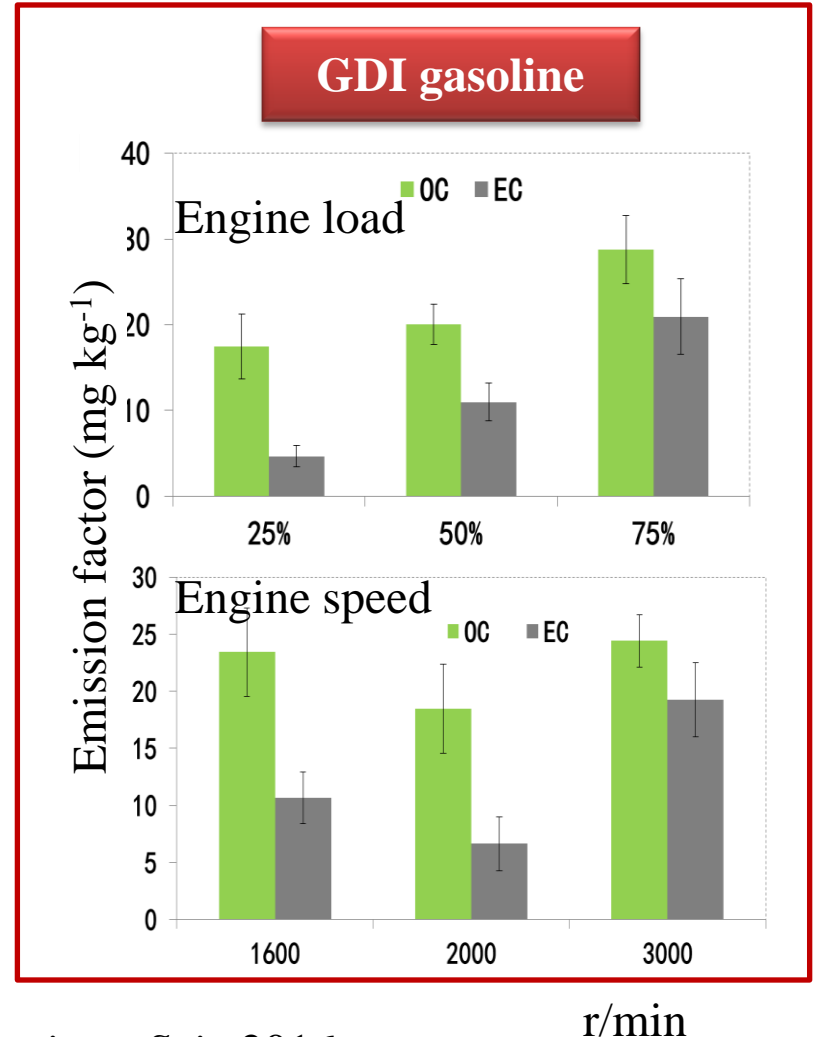
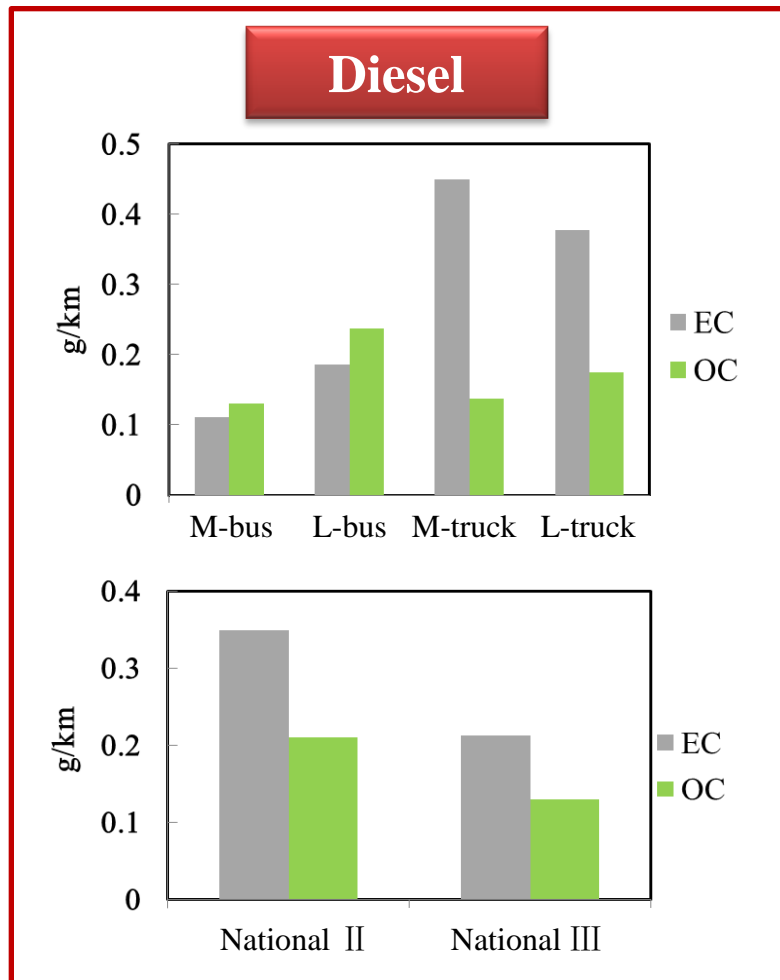
**FIGURE 1. Comparison of distributions of *n*-alkanes (a), PAHs (b), and hopanes (c) in PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions in the Zhujiang Tunnel, the Van Nuys Tunnel, and the Wutong Tunnel.**

Lingyan He, Min Hu\* et al, *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 2008  
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# Platform of vehicle emission experiments

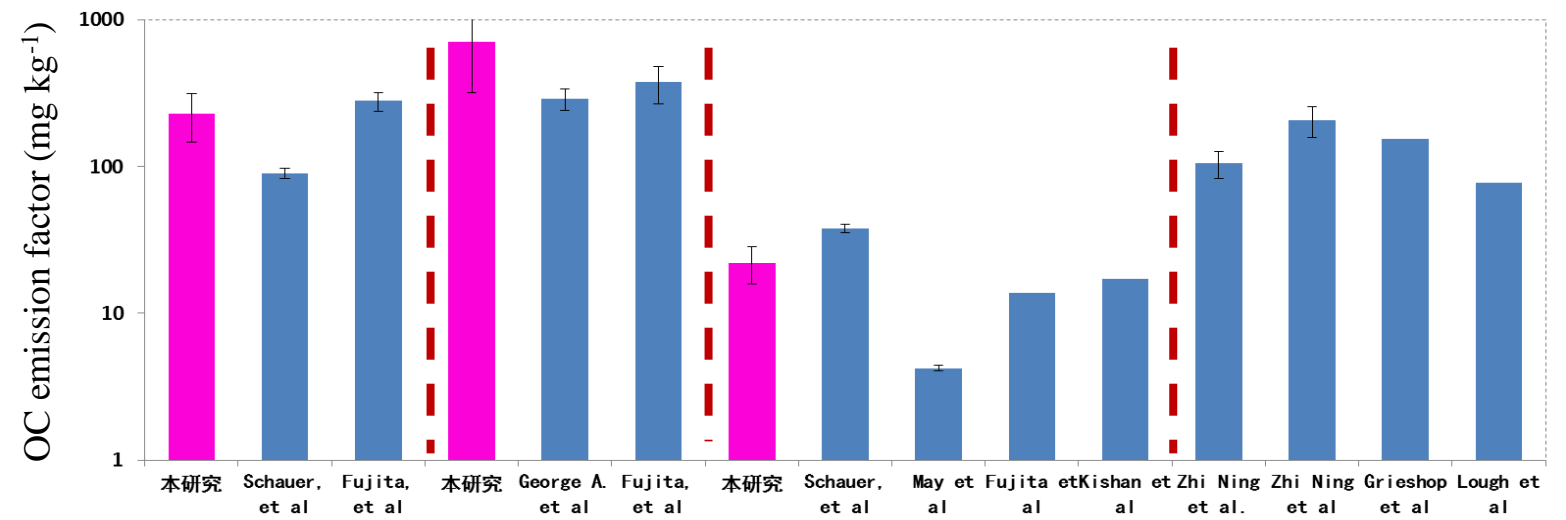
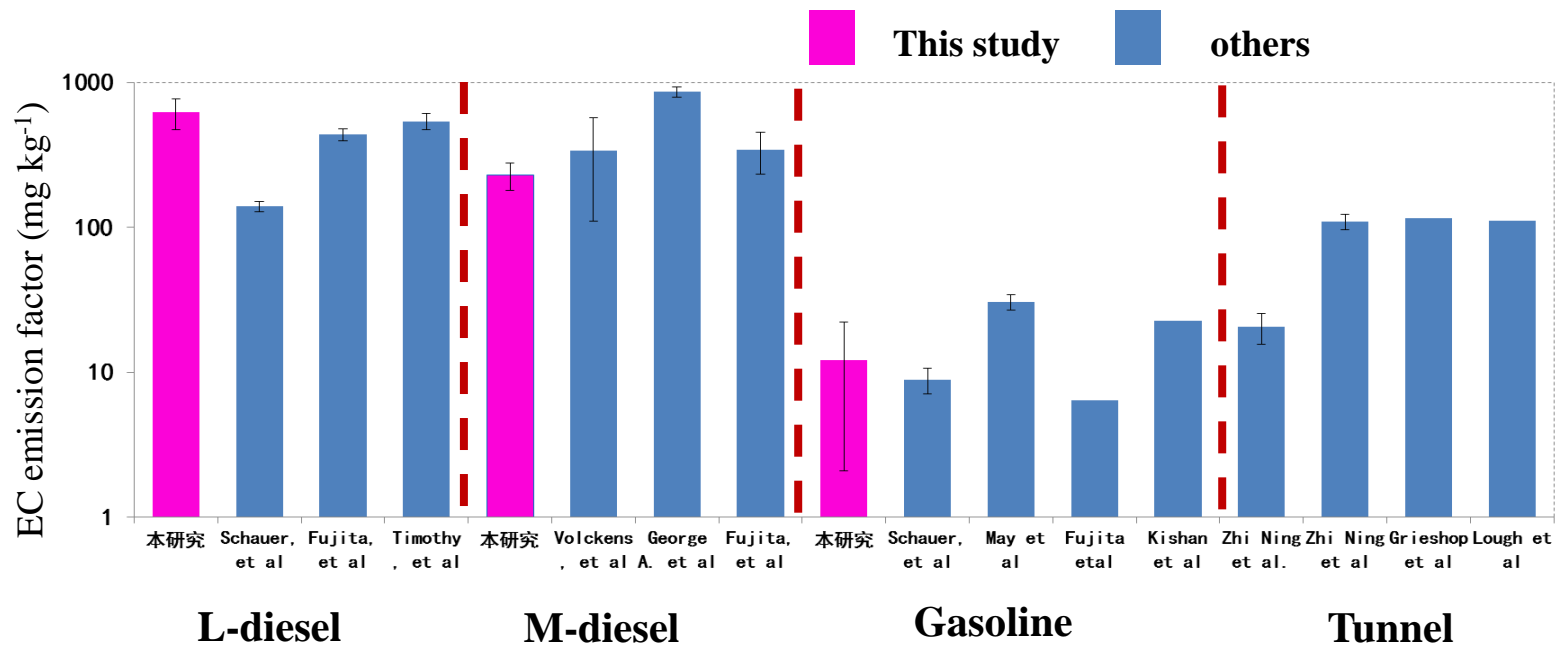


# Vehicle Emission Factor of BC



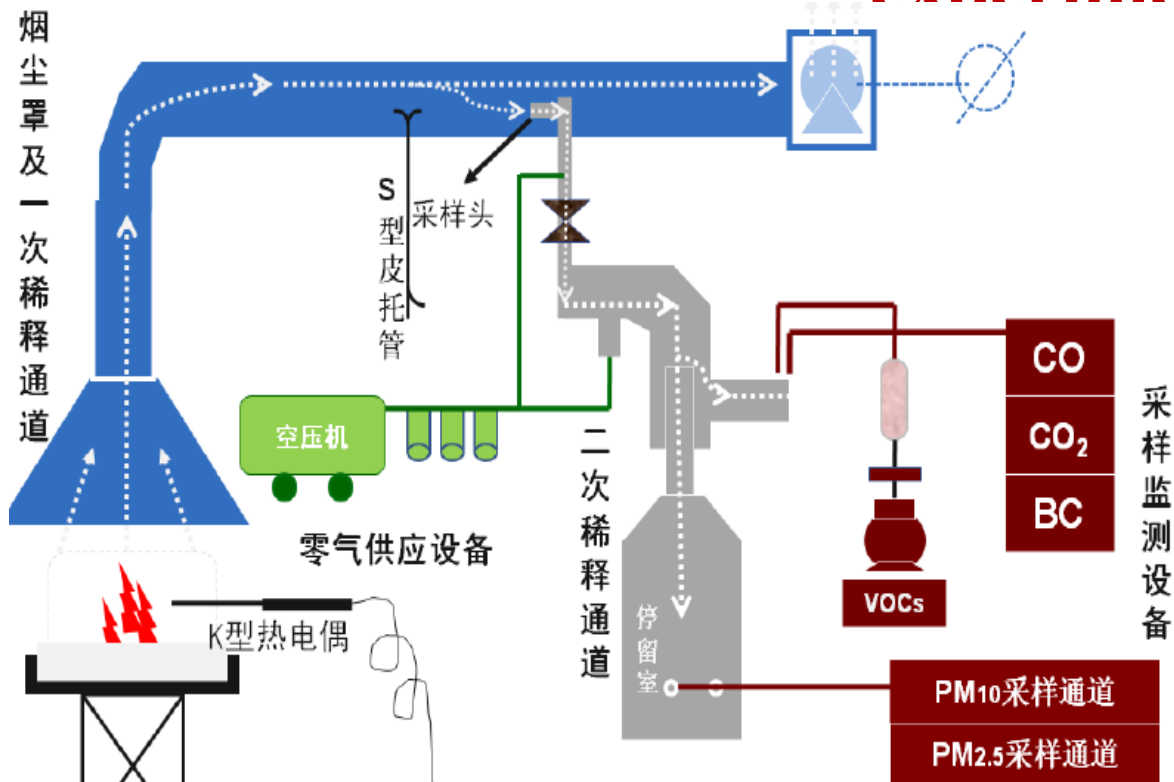
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# Vehicle Emission Factor of BC



# Platform of biomass burning experiments

## experiments



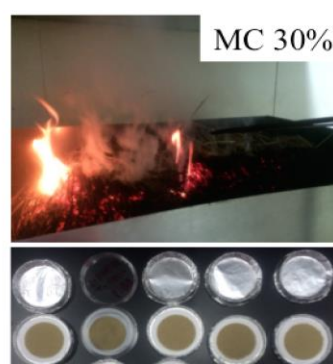
Lower moisture content



Higher moisture content



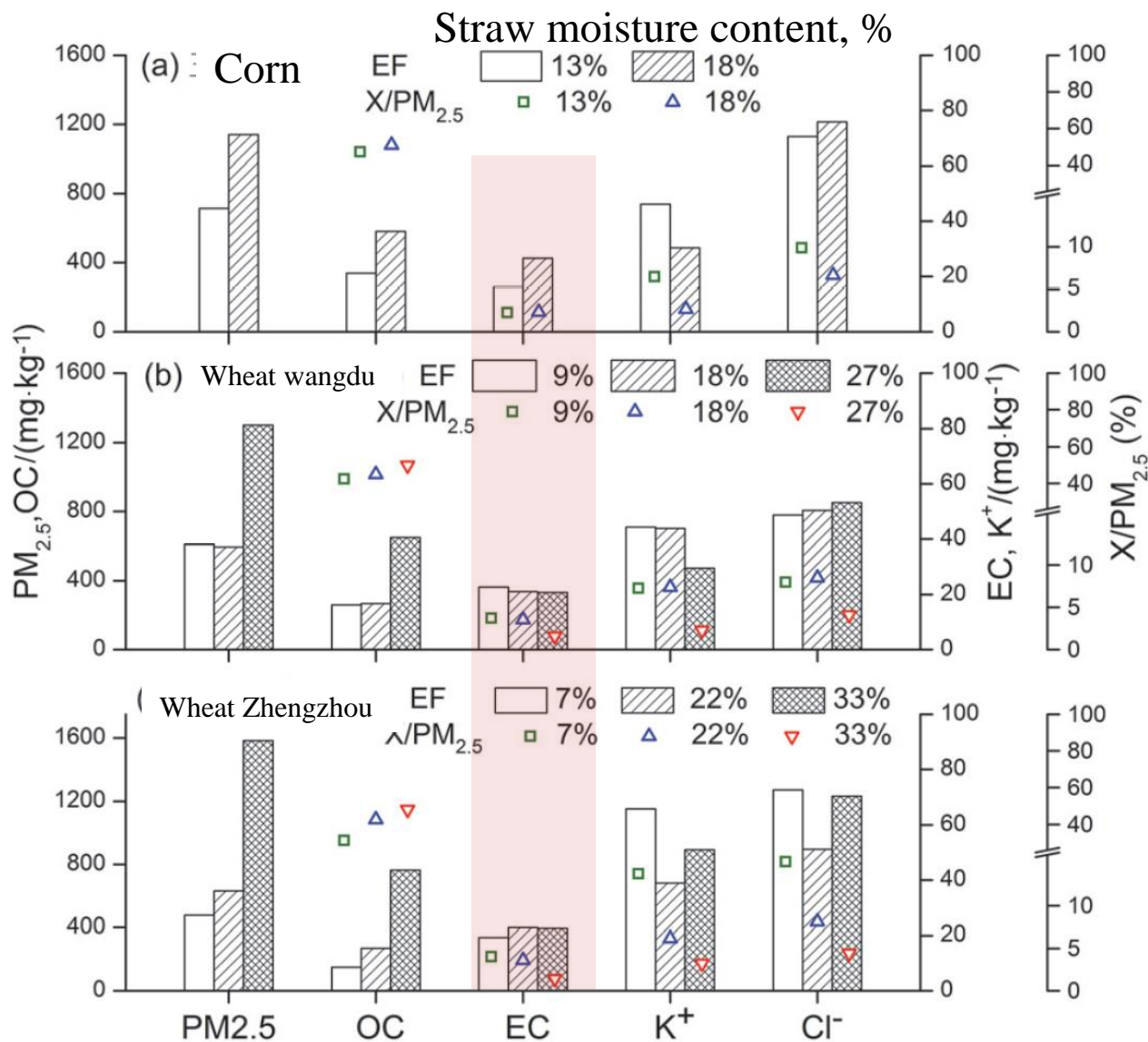
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Corn straw burning ↑

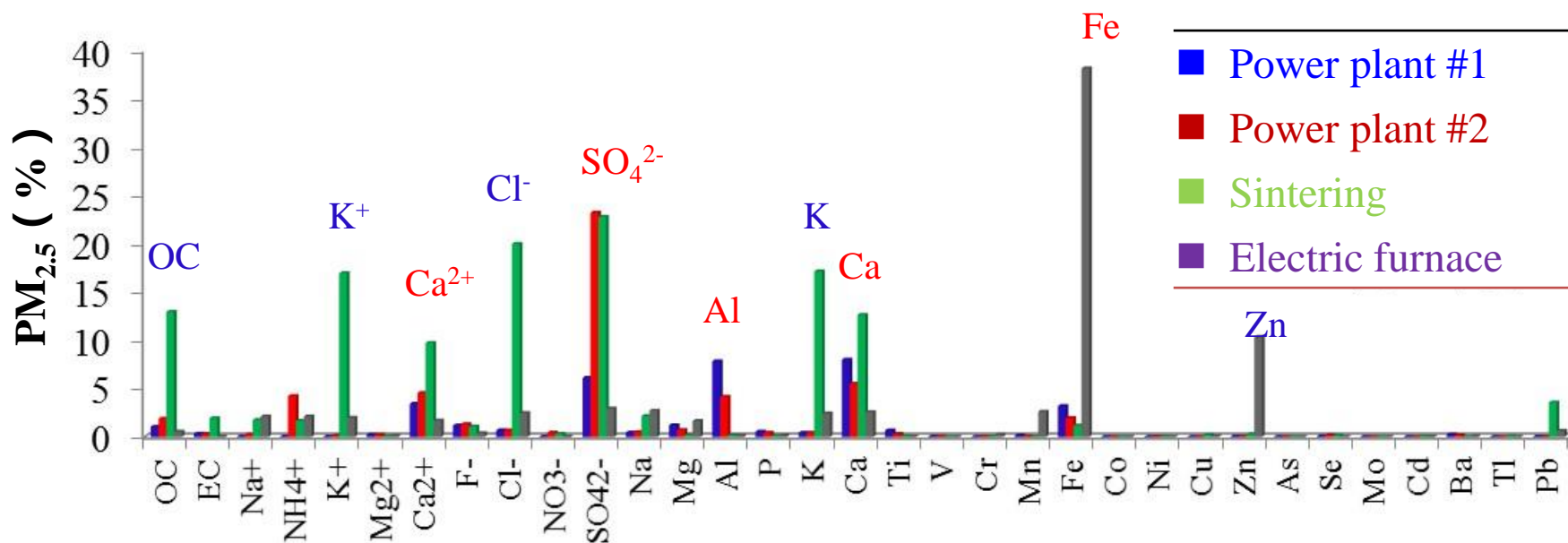
← Wheat straw burning

# Biomass Burning Emission Factor of BC



# Emission factor of BC for power plant and steel plant

	PM <sub>2.5</sub> conc. (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	OC (%)	EC (%)
Power plant #1	4.35	1.05±0.44	0.34±0.39
Power plant #2	0.94	1.88±0.87	0.33±0.15
Sintering	0.68	12.96±11.49	1.95±1.96
Electric furnace	5.33	0.54 ±0.12	0.02± 0.03

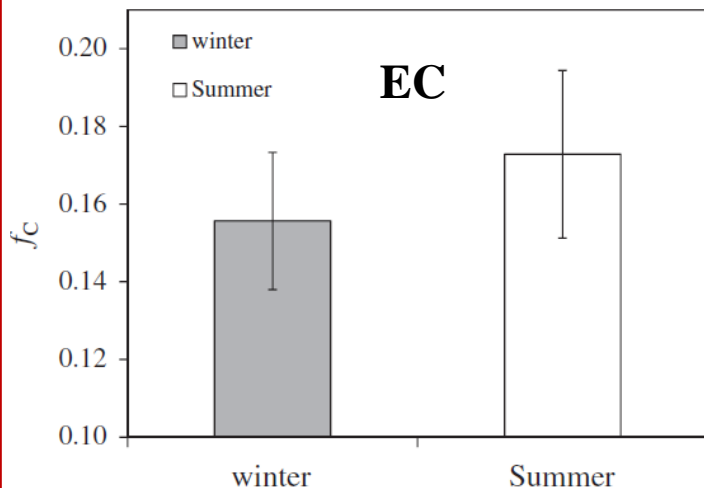
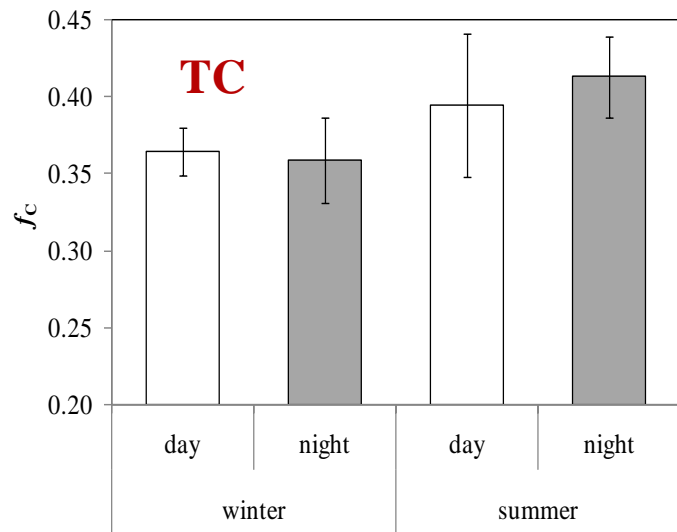




# Work done by PKU group

- **Emission factor and characteristics of BC**
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# $^{14}\text{C}$ -Based source assessment of carbonaceous aerosols at a rural site



$$f_M = \frac{(^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C})_{\text{sample}}}{0.95(^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C})_{\text{OXI}}}$$

where  $(^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C})_{\text{sample}}$  is the  $^{14}\text{C}$  to  $^{12}\text{C}$  ratio observed in the sample, and  $(^{14}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C})_{\text{OXI}}$  is a ratio from the NIST Oxalic Acid Standard I (NBS OXI). The values of blanks ranged from  $4 \times 10^{-3}$  to  $5 \times 10^{-3}$ .

Due to above-ground nuclear testing during 1950s and 1960s, the ambient  $^{14}\text{C}$  excess from nuclear bomb tests needs to be corrected. For biogenic emissions a value of 1.04 was used, taken from measurements performed by Levin in 2007 (Levin et al., 2008). Szidat et al. (2009) recommended that the ratio was 1.16 for 30–50-year-old trees. In this study, a correction factor of 1.08, as suggested by Heal et al. (2011), was chosen. Therefore the fraction of contemporary carbon ( $f_c$ ) in the samples was estimated using  $f_{c(\text{sample})} = f_{M(\text{sample})}/1.08$  and the fraction of fossil carbon ( $f_f$ ) using  $f_f = 1 - f_c$ .

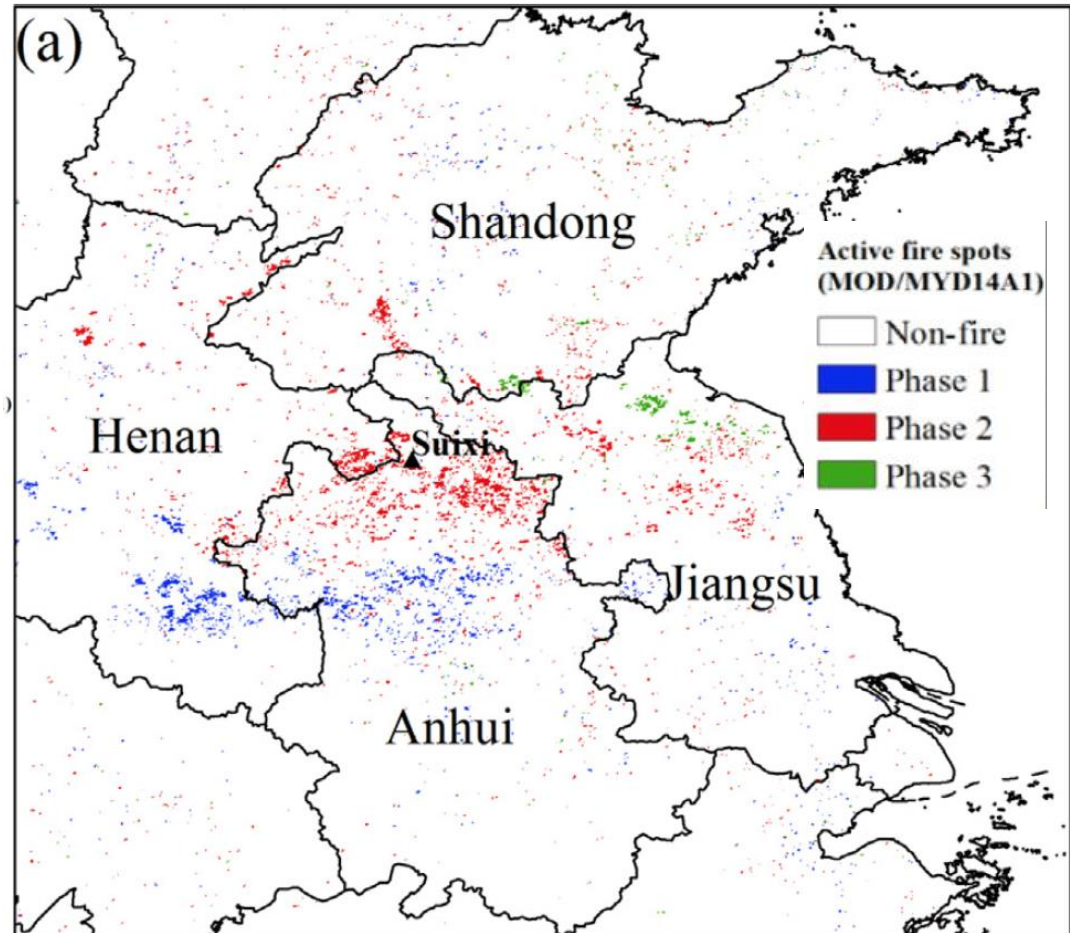
$f_c$  = fraction of contemporary carbon

- Fossil fuel emission contribute about 80-87% EC in both seasons.
- More contemporary carbon in winter due to biomass burning.

Xuesong Sun, Min Hu\* et al., *Atmos. Environ.*, 2012

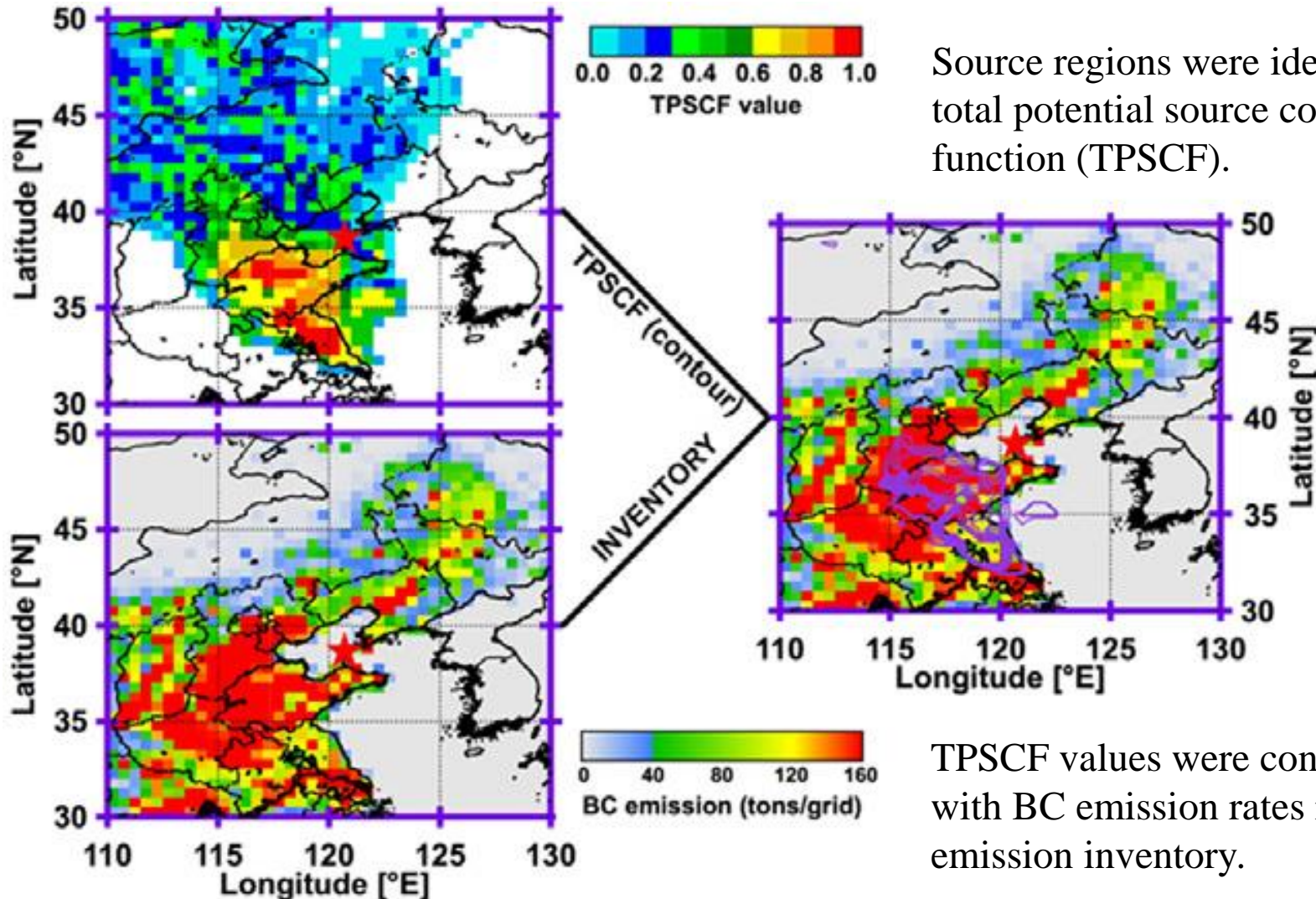
## Source apportionment of PM<sub>2.5</sub> during the harvest season in eastern China's agricultural regions

- High-level PM<sub>2.5</sub>, OC, EC, K and Cl were observed in local wheat burning period.
- Wheat residue burning contributed over 50% of PM<sub>2.5</sub>, OC, EC, K and Cl.
- Relative humidity and aging process of PM<sub>2.5</sub> might affect the fate of Cl in PM<sub>2.5</sub>.



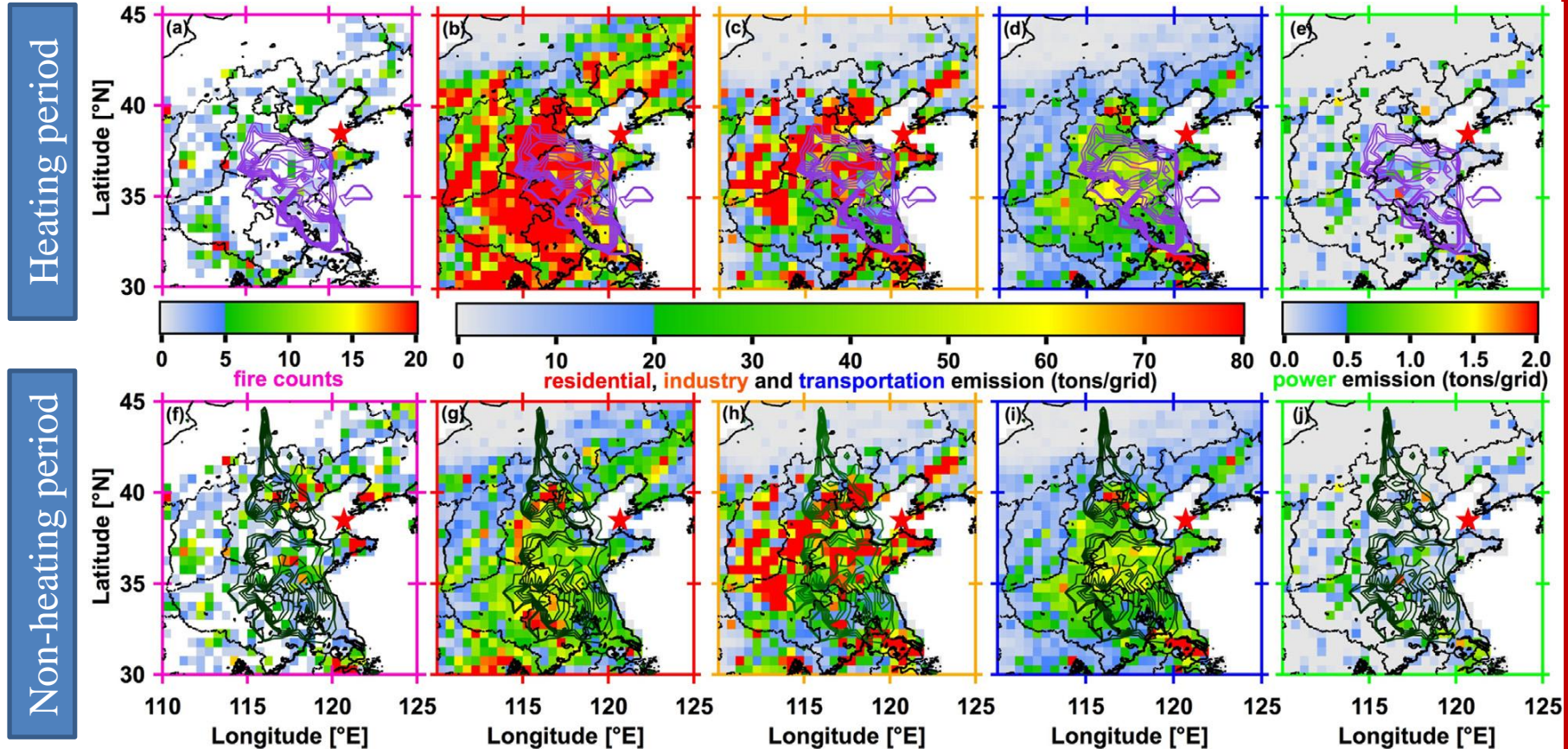
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# The identification of source regions of BC at a receptor site of the eastern coast of China



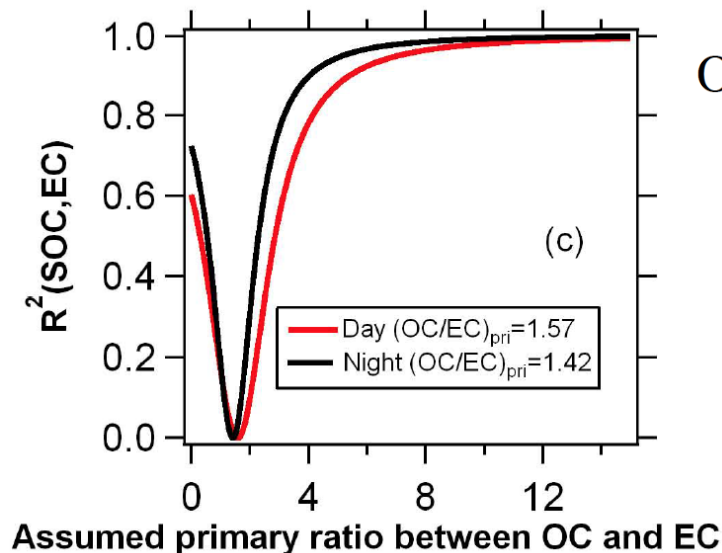
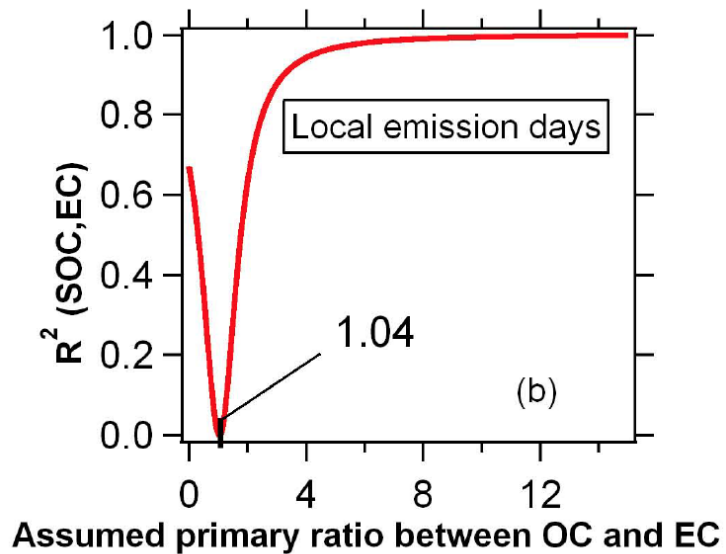
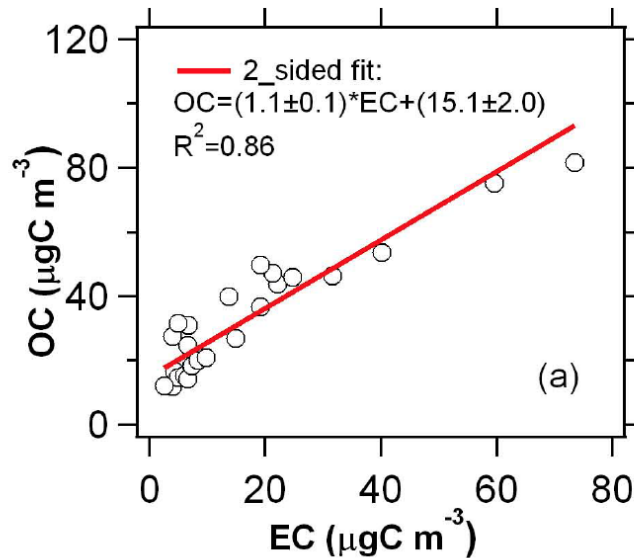
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Residential emission is the main BC source during heating period

# SOA estimation based on OC/EC method



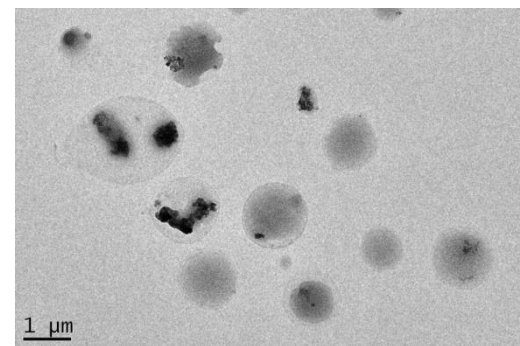
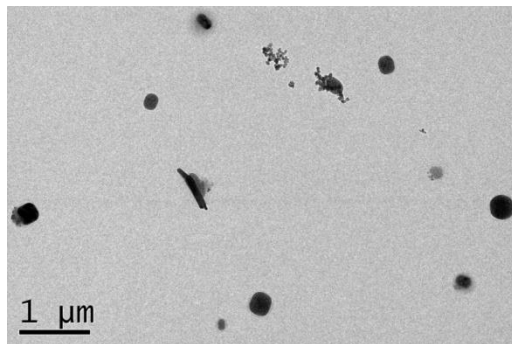
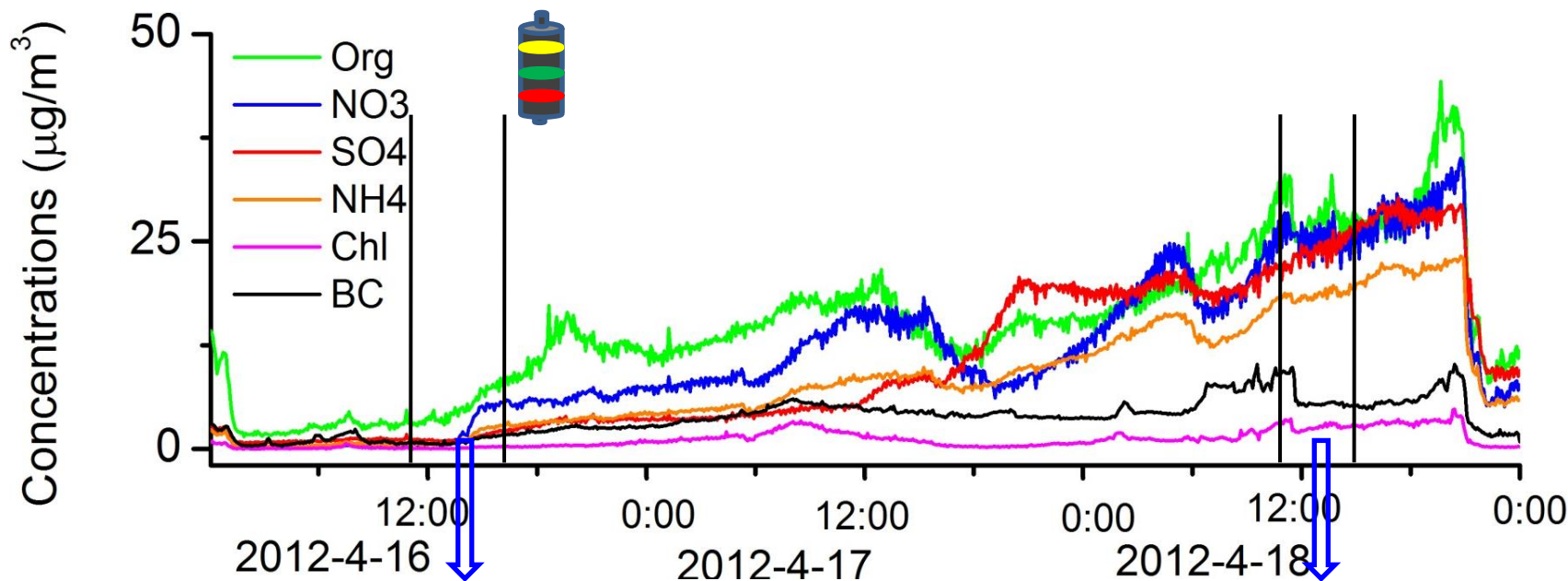
$$OC_{sec} = OC_{total} - EC_a \times (OC/EC)_{pri} - OC_{non}$$

The modified EC tracer method was adopted to estimate SOC.  $(OC/EC)_{pri}$  was calculated for the data points in day and night, respectively. At the rural site in the PRD SOA is 47% of OC, up to 80%. Good correlations between estimated SOC with OOA and WSOC, and estimated POC with HOA, proved the results is reliable

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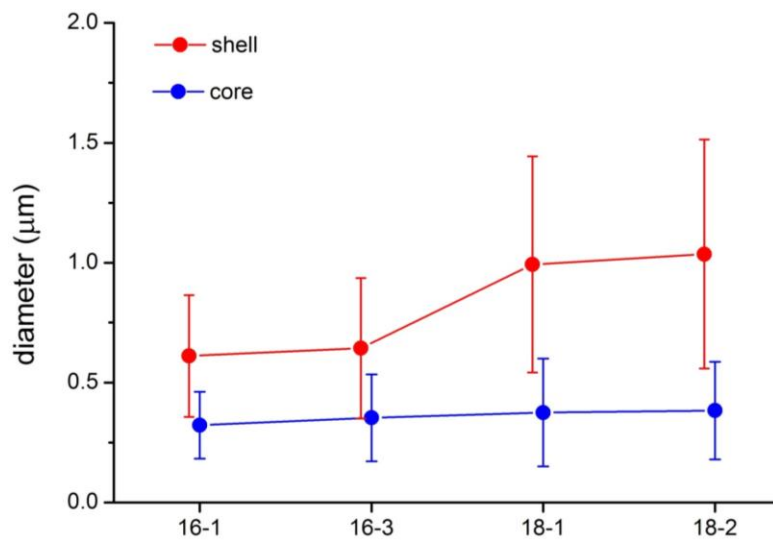
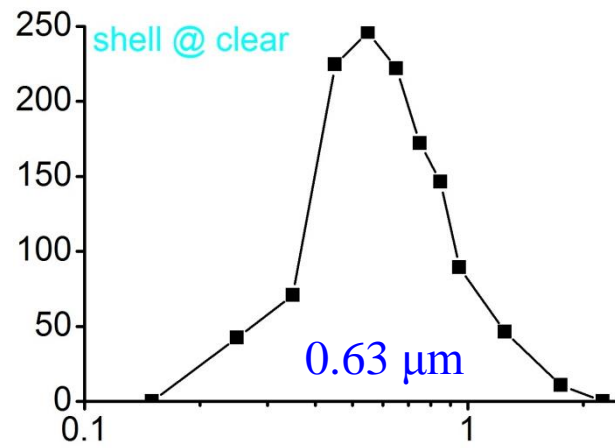
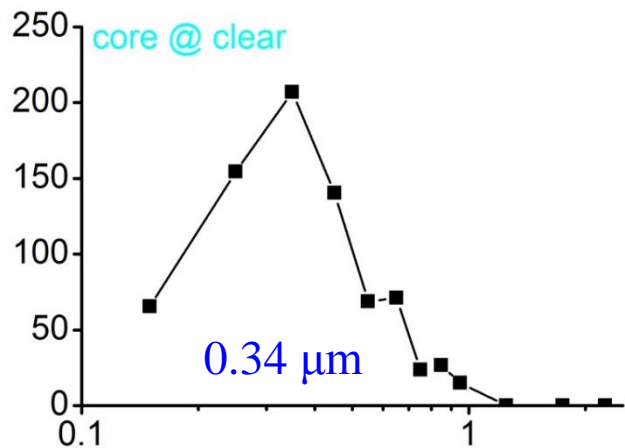
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# Aging of BC particles from clean to haze in Beijing



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# Growth of BC particles with comparison between clean and haze period



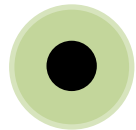
Clean day

Haze day

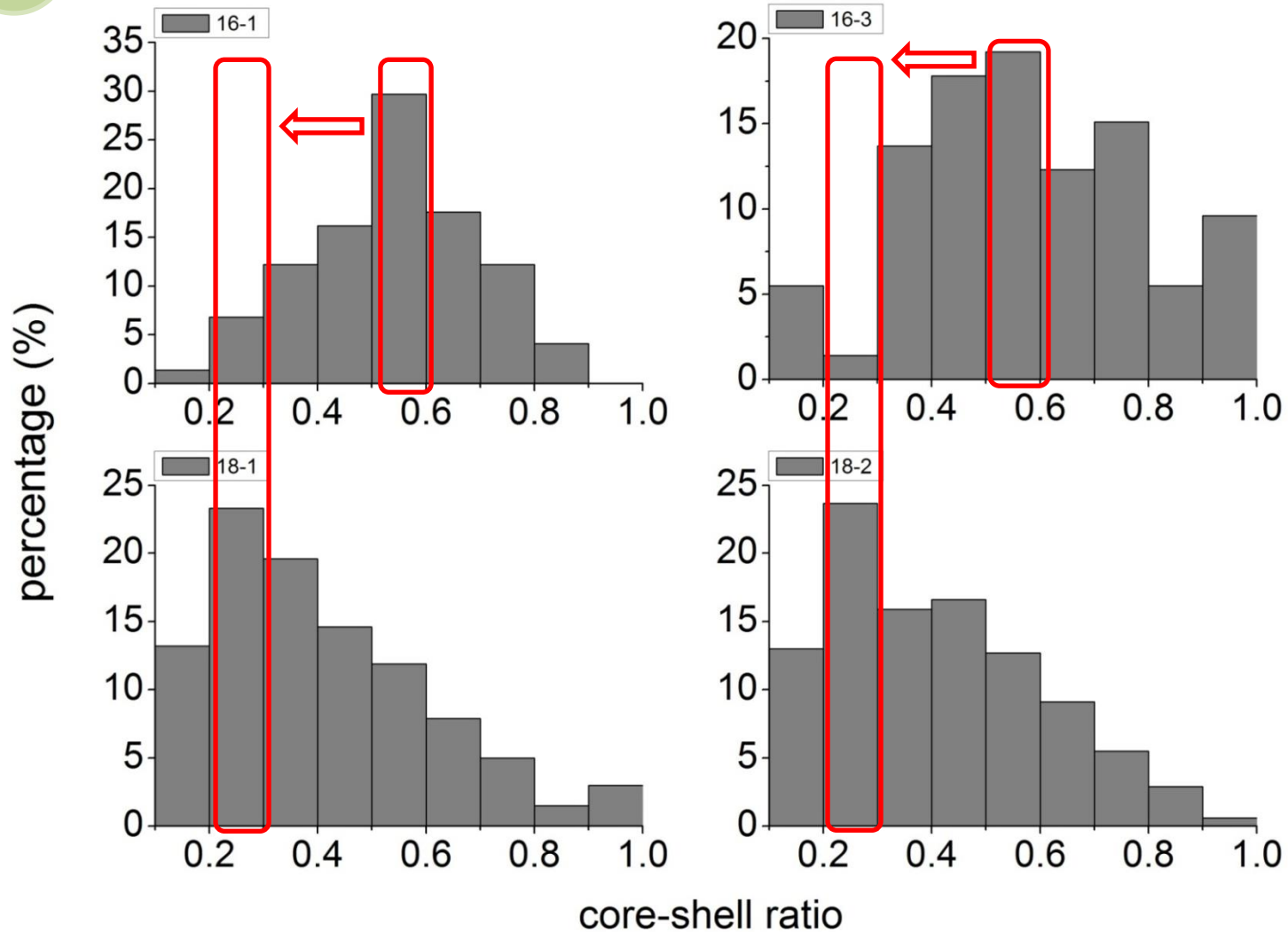
- Higher shell diameter in haze day
- No obvious change in core diameter

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Core-shell ratio = core diameter / shell diameter (0 < ratio < 1)



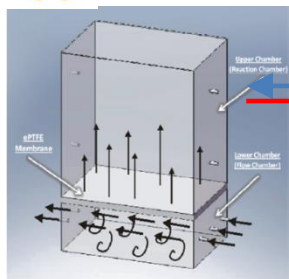
# QUasi-real Atmosphere aerosol evolution sTudY Chamber: QUALITY Chamber



Condition	Discription
Temp. &RH	Same as in the ambient air, Difference of Temp. $<1^{\circ}\text{C}$ , Difference of RH $<3\%$
Radiation	Same trends as in the ambient air , but 50% lower
Gaseous species	Same as in the ambient air, Difference $< 10\%$
Particles	Controlled in the chamber, lower than in the ambient air

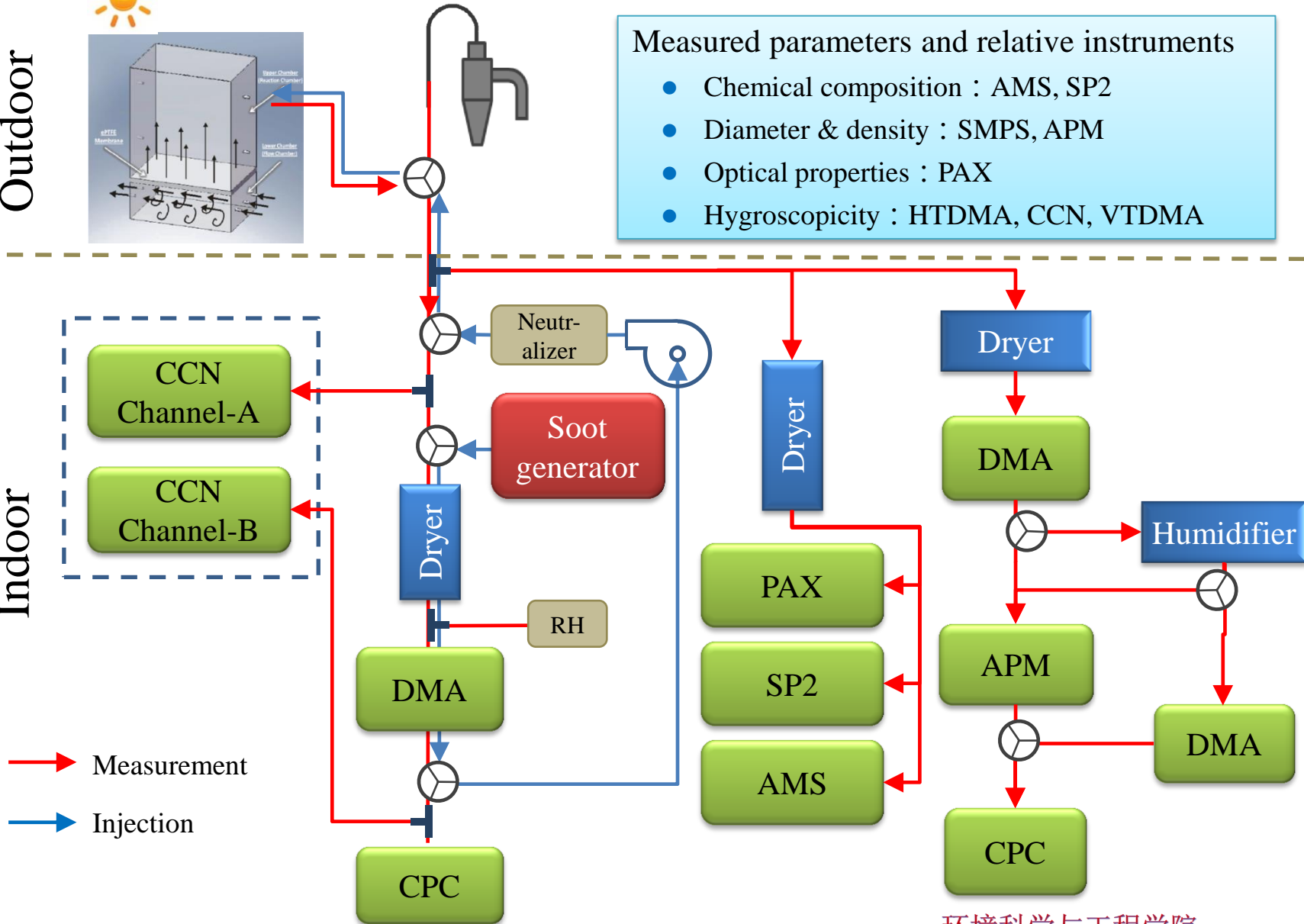
# Chamber Experiment design

Outdoor



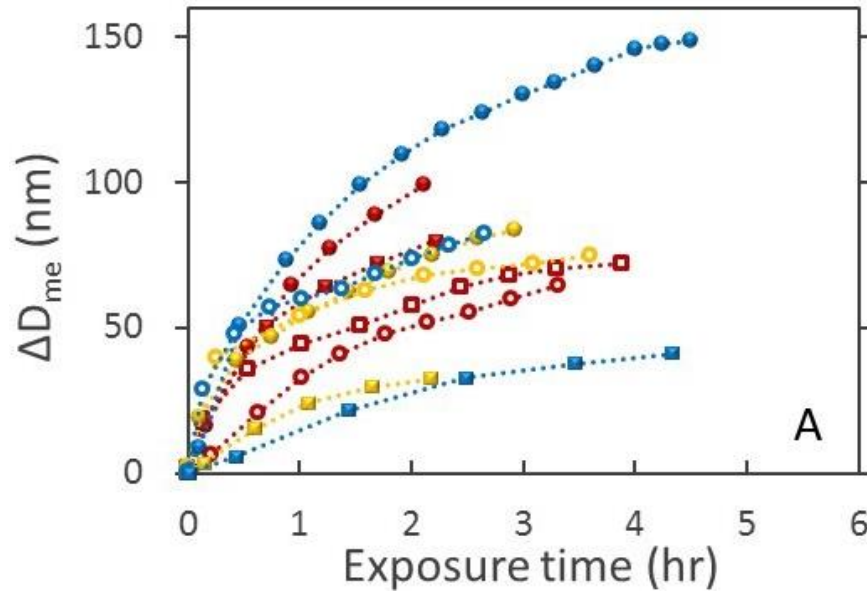
- Measured parameters and relative instruments
- Chemical composition : AMS, SP2
  - Diameter & density : SMPS, APM
  - Optical properties : PAX
  - Hygroscopicity : HTDMA, CCN, VTDMA

Indoor

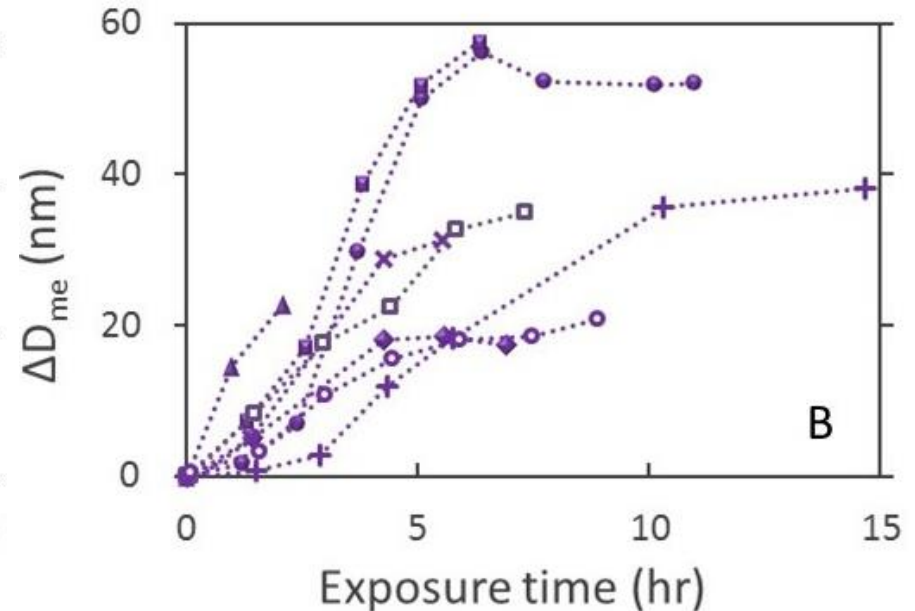


# Growth of BC particles in different environment

Beijing



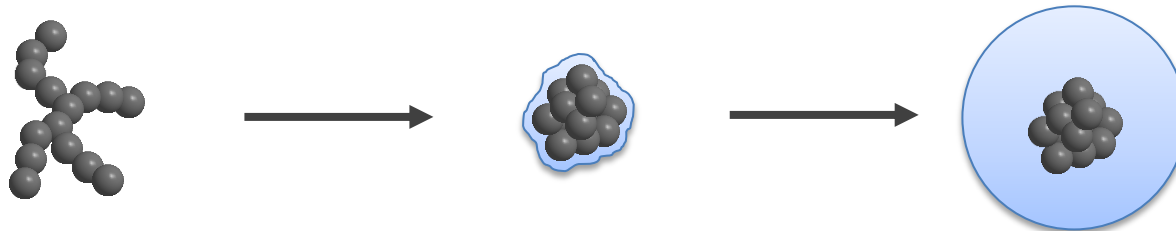
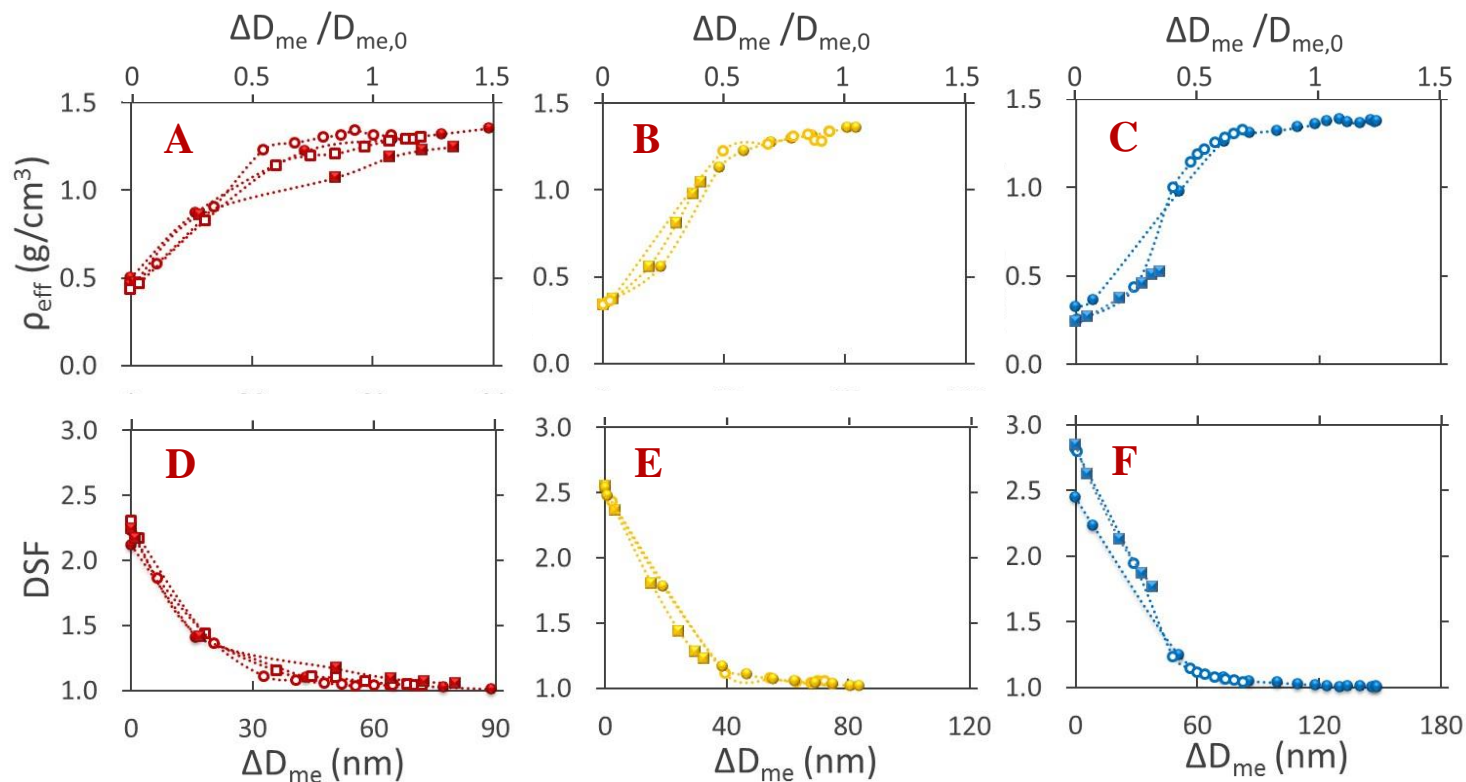
Houston



- Fast increase of diameter, density and mass
- Total growth of  $D_{me}$  in each experiment: 32-152 nm
- Growth rate: 26 (11-47) nm/h

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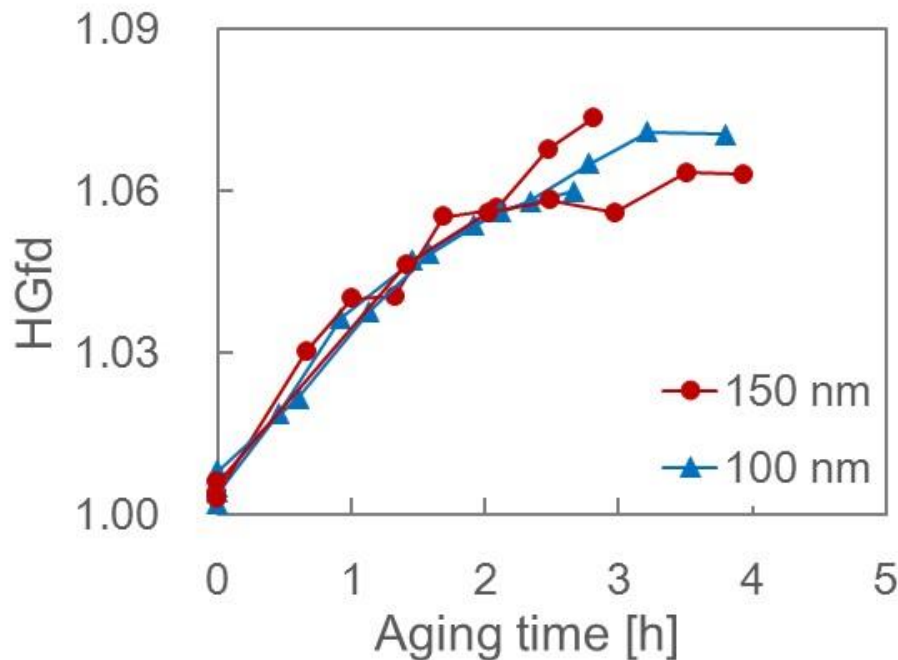
# BC morphology change



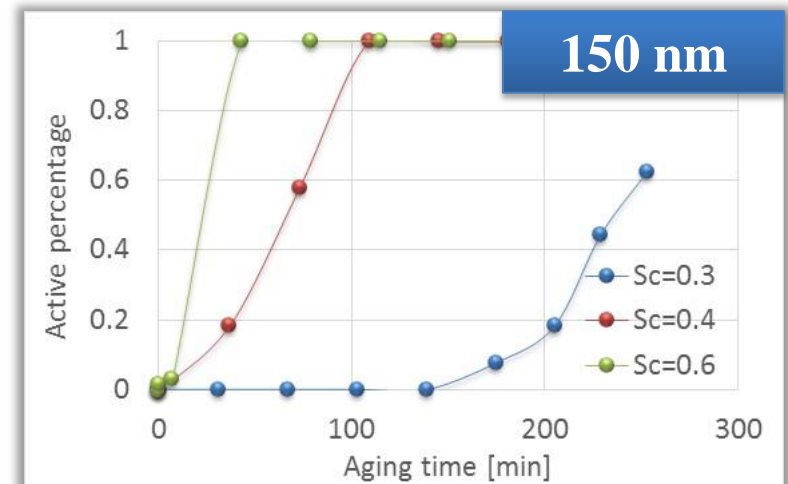
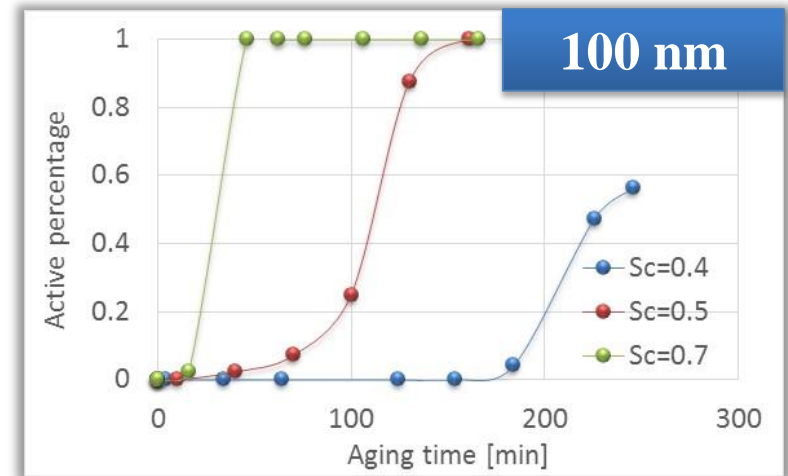
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# Evolution of hygroscopicity

- HTDMA RH=88%
- CCN 100.2%-100.8%

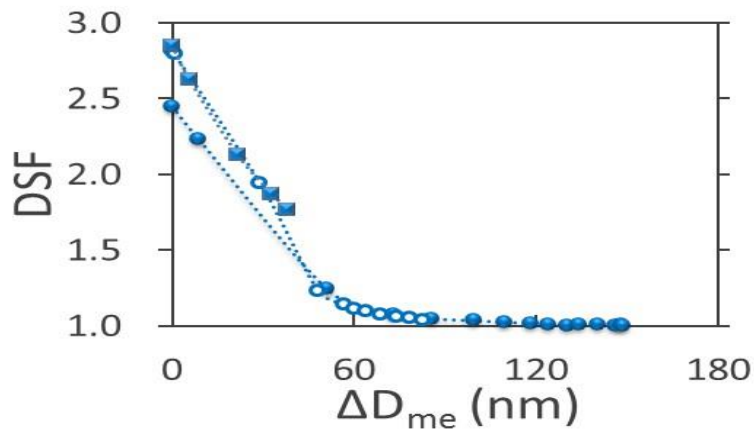
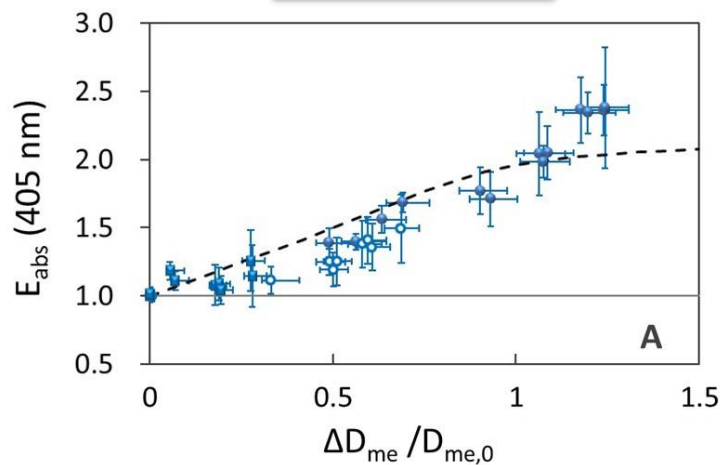


HGfd: hygroscopicity growth factor in diameter

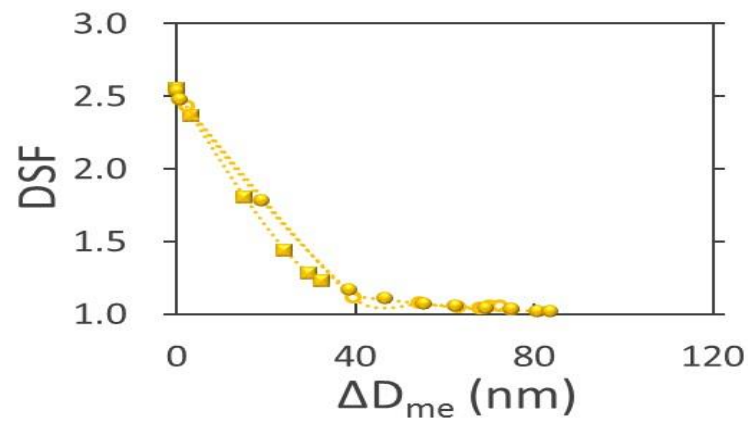
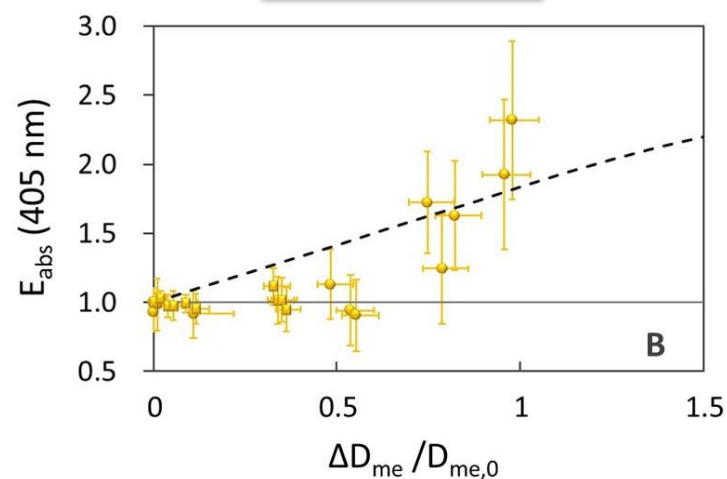


# Enhancement of light absorption

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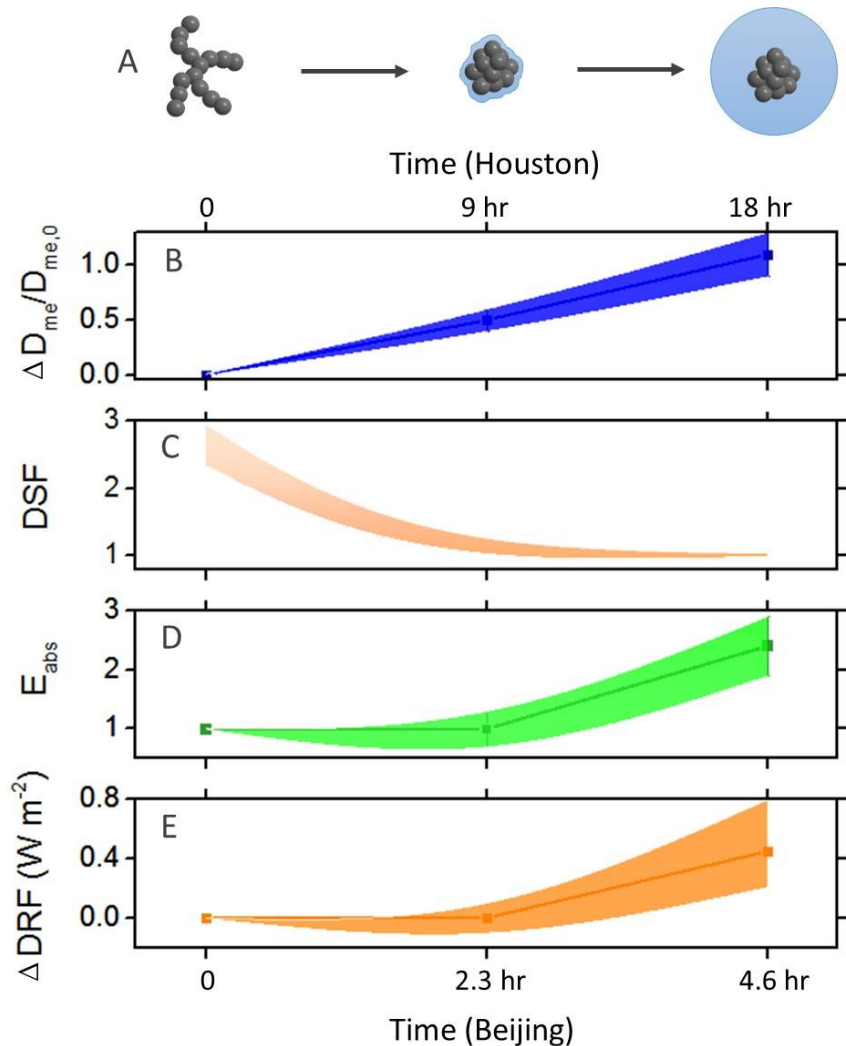


150 nm



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# BC aging and direct radiative forcing



- The timescales to achieve complete morphology modification and an absorption amplification factor of 2.4 for BC particles are estimated to be 2.3 h and 4.6 h, respectively, in Beijing, compared with 9 h and 18 h, respectively, in Houston
- BC under polluted urban environments could contribute significantly to both pollution development and large positive radiative forcing, implying that reduction of BC emissions achieves a co-benefit in simultaneously controlling air pollution and protecting climate, especially for developing countries.



# Future work

- Aging of BC particles from vehicles & biomass burning, properties changing and impacts on climate change
- Evaluation of the aging time scale and absorption enhancement of BC particles in the ambient air with DMA-SP2 system

Look forwards to cooperating with you



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