

## II Lectures on Atmospheric Mineral Dust

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# ground observations of mineral dust

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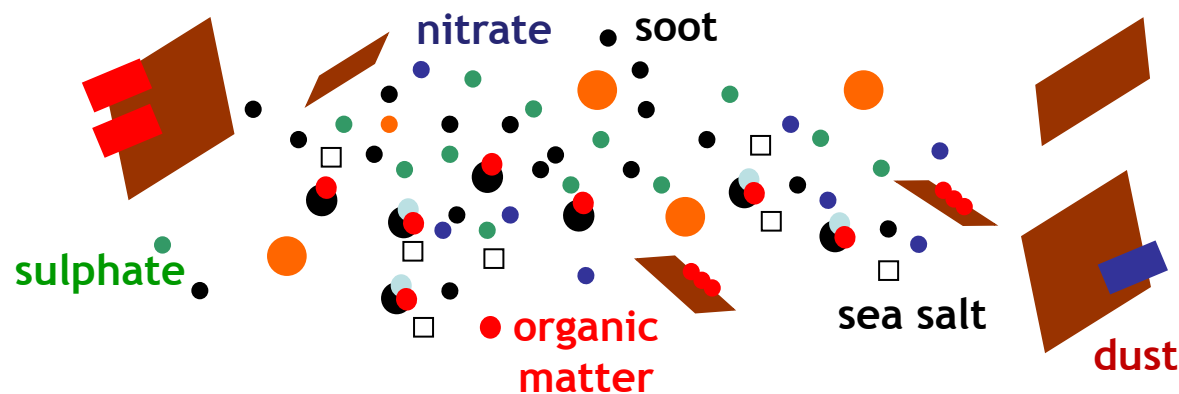


Chad-2004 by Jahi-Chikwendiu  
World Press Prize 2004



**Aerosols:** solid & liquid matter suspended in a gas.

Size 0.001 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  ( $1 \mu\text{m} = 10^{-6} \text{ m}$ ) = 1 nm ( $10^{-9} \text{ m}$ ) to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  ( $10^{-6} \text{ m}$ ).



## Mineral dust:

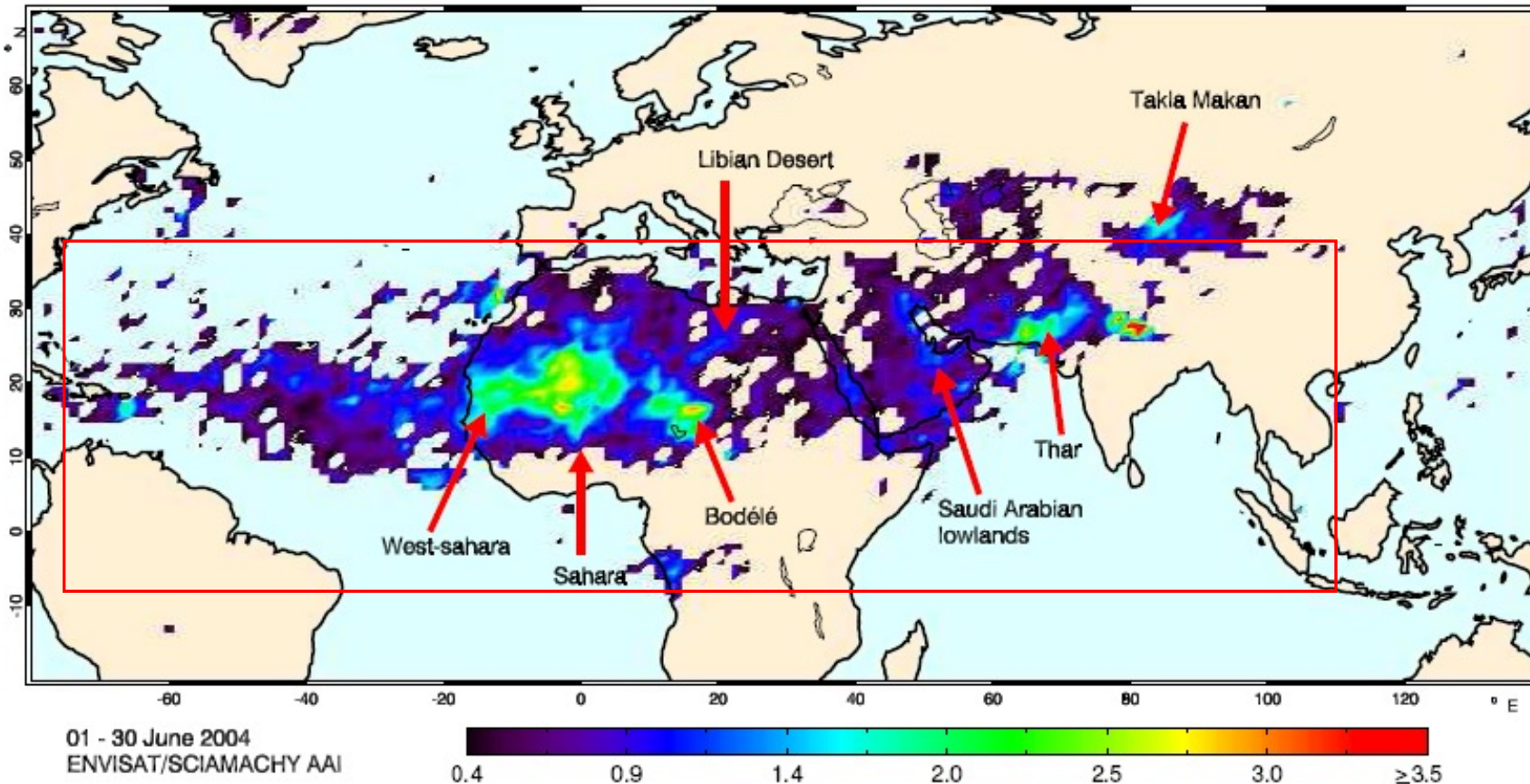
Small fragments of soil /crust of the Earth.

One of the most abundant aerosol in the Earth.

Mineral dust is one of the most important tropospheric aerosols on the global scale

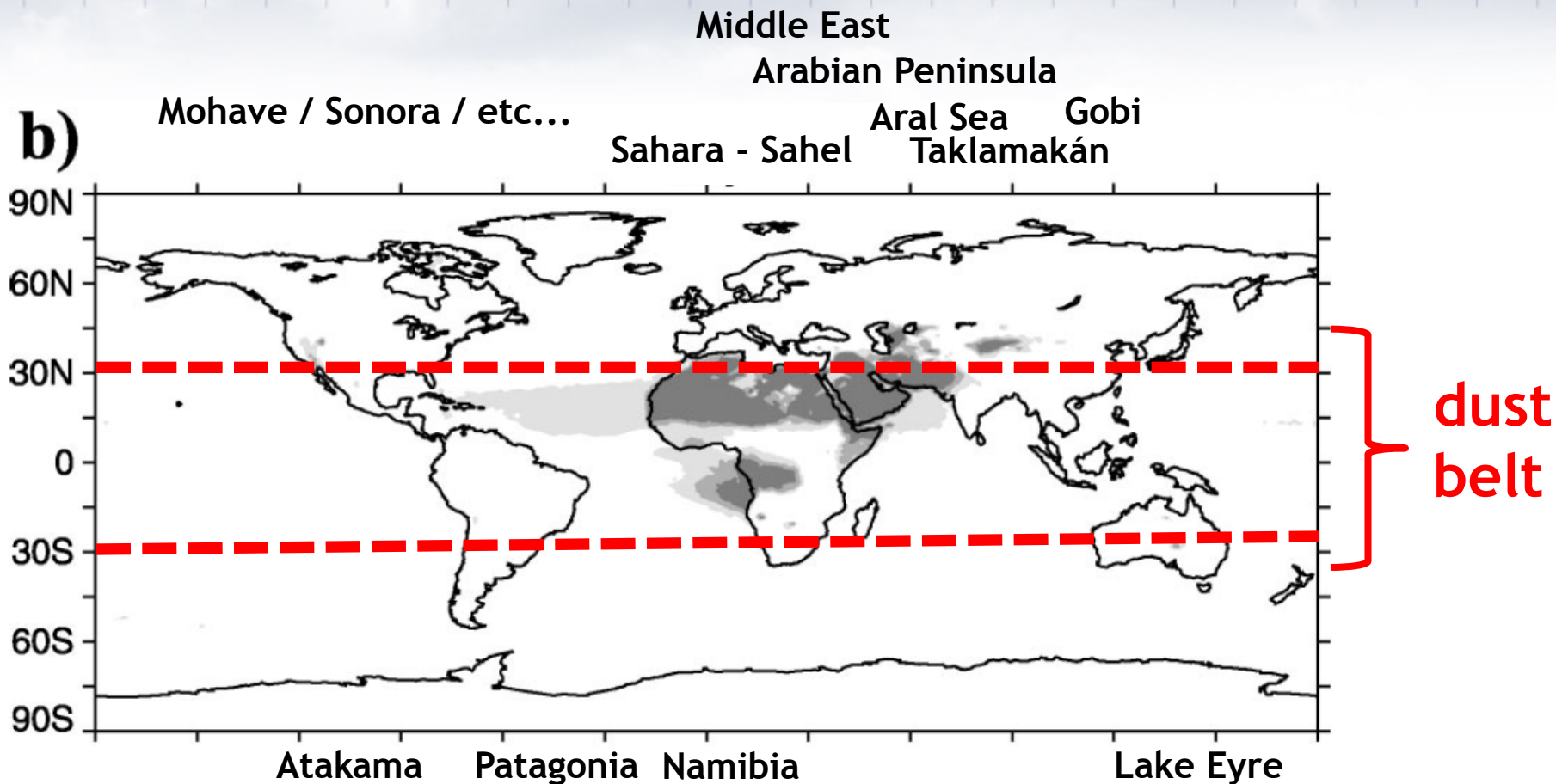
The global distribution is very heterogeneous

The "Global Dust Belt"



Sahara, Sahel, Arabian Peninsula, Thar desert (Middle East), Aral Sea (Central Asia), Taklamakan desert (China), Gobi Desert (China/Mongolia), Lake Eyre Basin (Australia)

(de Graaf, 2006)

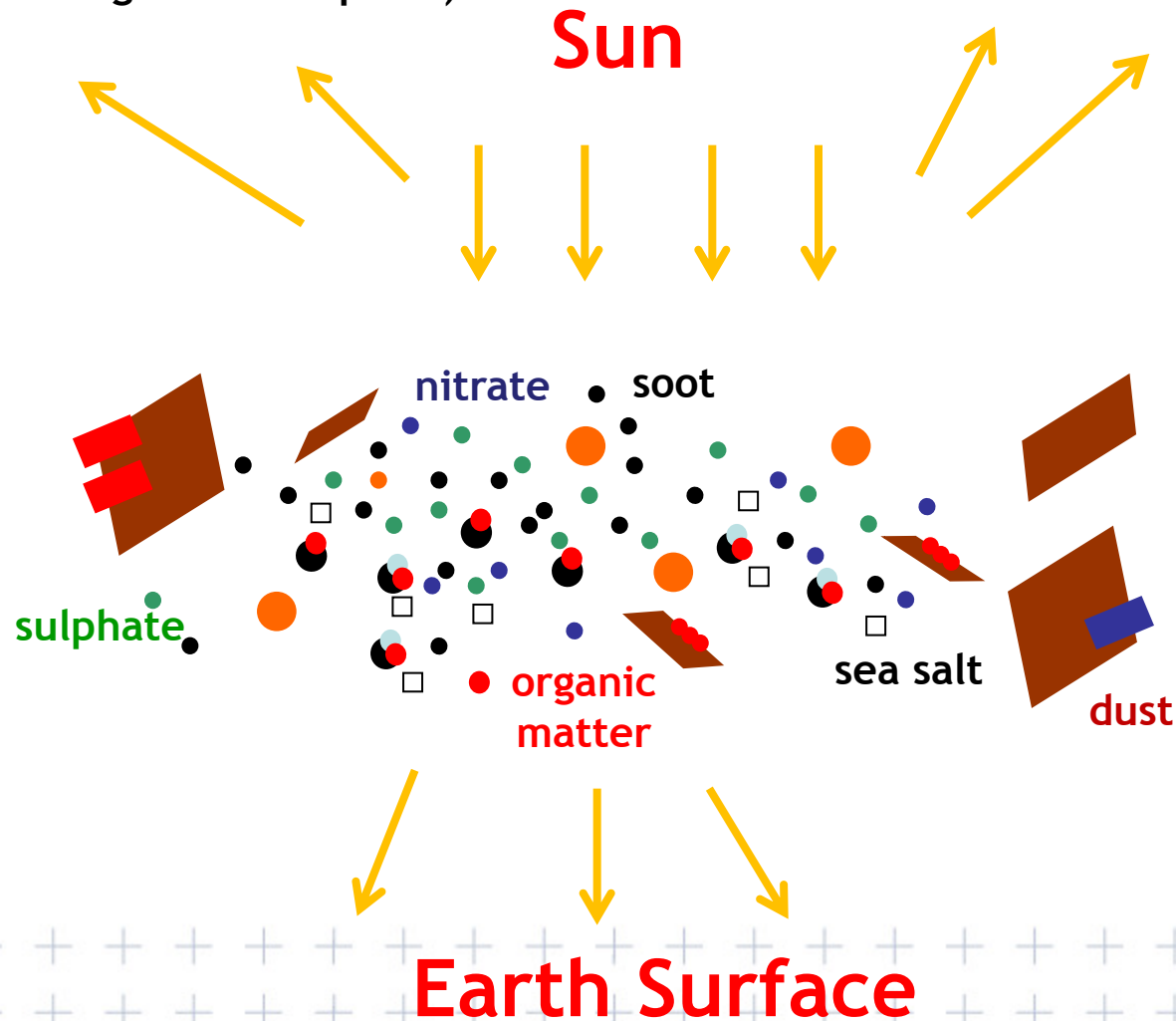


ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERIZATION OF GLOBAL  
SOURCES OF ATMOSPHERIC SOIL DUST  
IDENTIFIED WITH THE NIMBUS 7 TOTAL OZONE  
MAPPING SPECTROMETER  
(TOMS) ABSORBING AEROSOL PRODUCT

Joseph M. Prospero,<sup>1</sup> Paul Ginoux,<sup>2</sup> Omar Torres,<sup>3</sup>  
Sharon E. Nicholson,<sup>4</sup> and Thomas E. Gill<sup>5</sup>

## Aerosols & Climate

Direct effects: direct interaction between dust and radiation (scattering and absorption)





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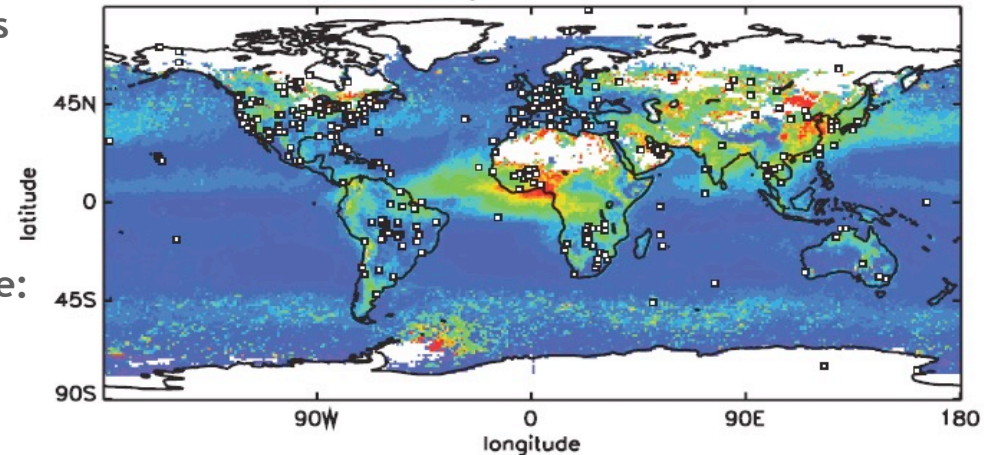
A total direct aerosol radiative forcing combined across all aerosol types can now be given for the first time as  $-0.5 \pm 0.4 \text{ W m}^{-2}$ , with a **medium-low** level of scientific understanding

The direct radiative forcing for individual species remains less certain and is estimated from models to be:

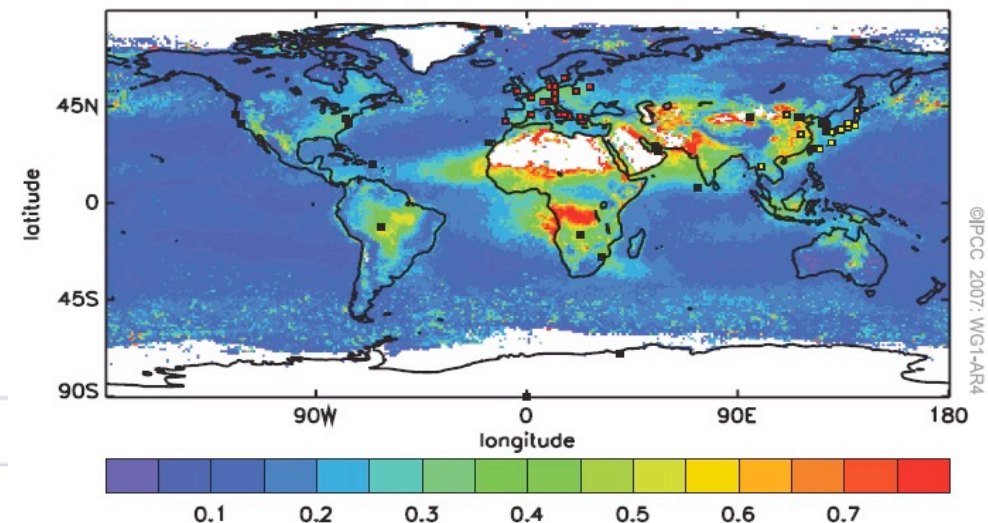
- $-0.4 \pm 0.2 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  sulphate
- $-0.05 \pm 0.05 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  fossil fuel organic carbon
- $+0.2 \pm 0.15 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  fossil fuel black carbon
- $+0.03 \pm 0.12 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  biomass burning
- $-0.1 \pm 0.2 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  for nitrate
- $-0.1 \pm 0.2 \text{ W m}^{-2}$  for mineral dust

### TOTAL AEROSOL OPTICAL DEPTH

January to March 2001



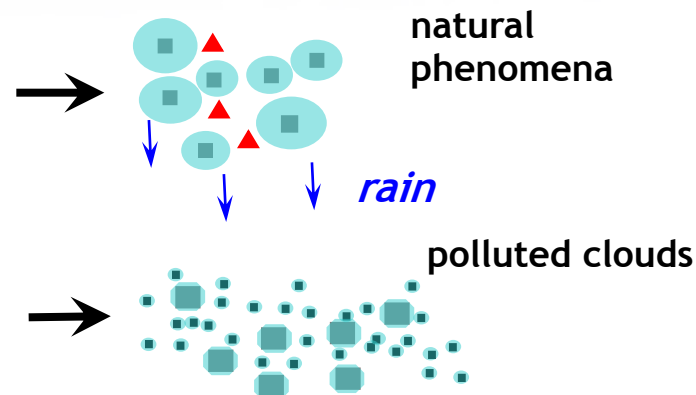
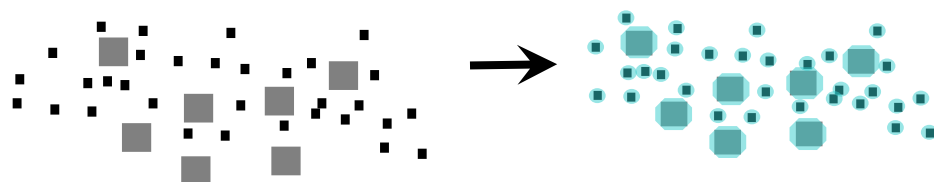
August to October 2001





## Aerosols & Climate

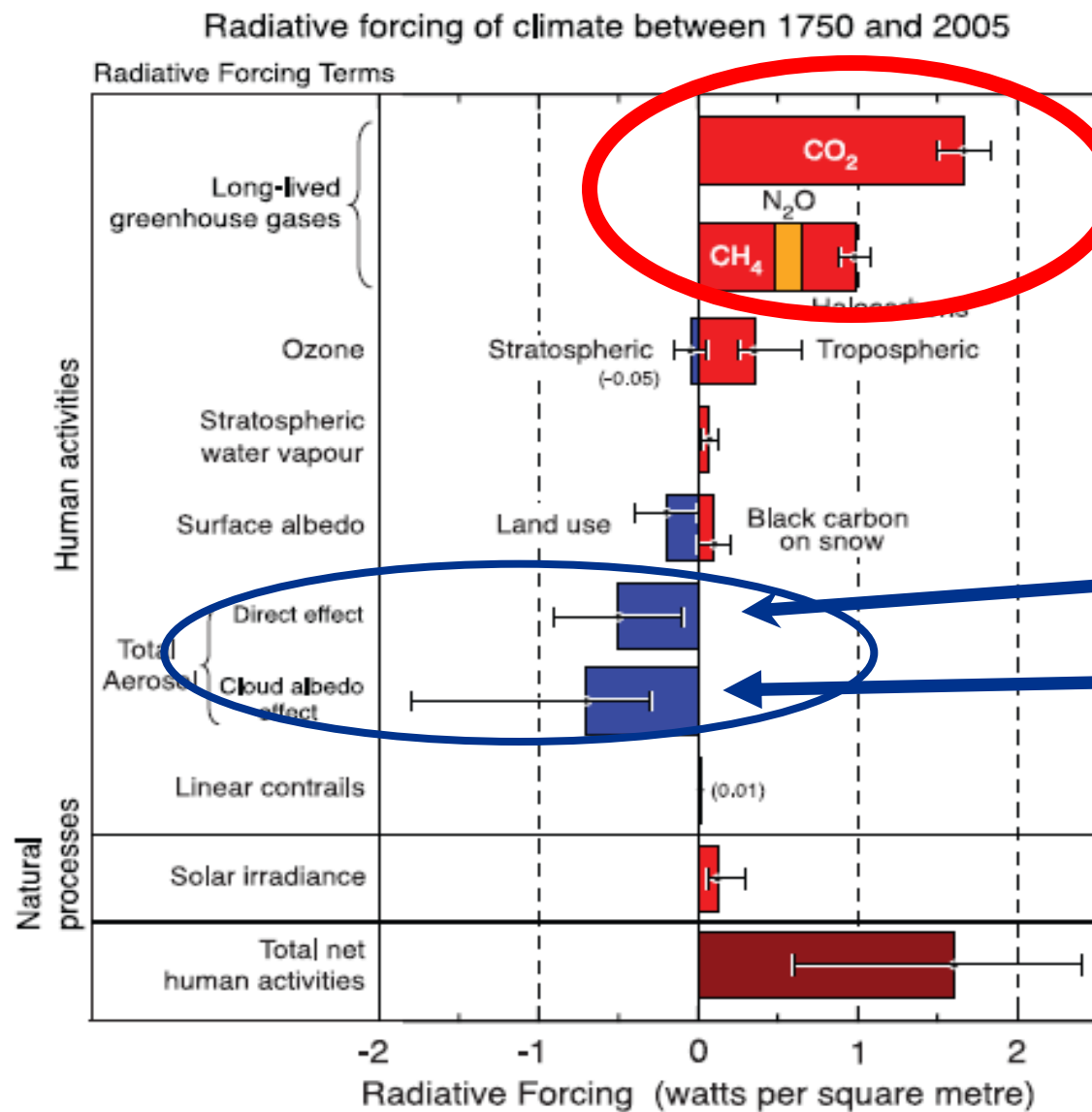
Indirect effects: change in the optical properties of clouds due to interaction with anthropogenic-aerosols



Anthropogenic aerosols effects on water clouds cause an indirect cloud albedo effect (referred to as the first indirect effect in the TAR), which has a best estimate for the first time of  $-0.7$   $[-0.3$  to  $-1.8]$   $\text{W m}^{-2}$ , with a **low level** of scientific understanding

*inhibited rain*

{ increase in life time of clouds  
change of optical properties  
change of optical properties



## GREENHOUSE GASES RADIATIVE FORCING:

+1.5 W·m<sup>-2</sup>

+1.0 W·m<sup>-2</sup>

## AEROSOL RADIATIVE FORCING:

Direct effect: -0.5 [±0.4] W m<sup>-2</sup>

Indirect effect: -0.7 [-1.1, +0.4] W m<sup>-2</sup>

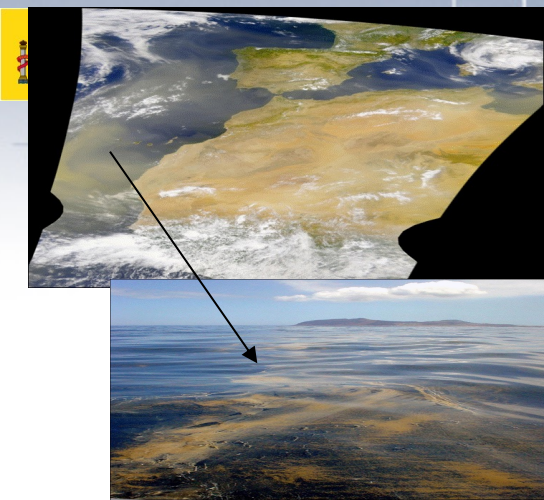
# Background



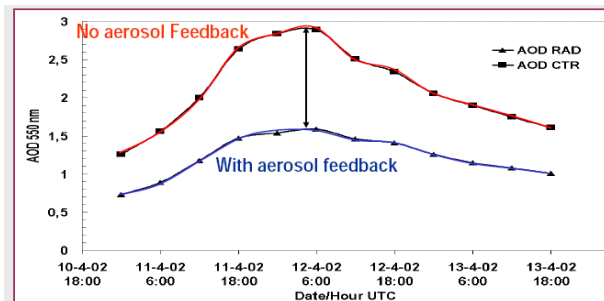
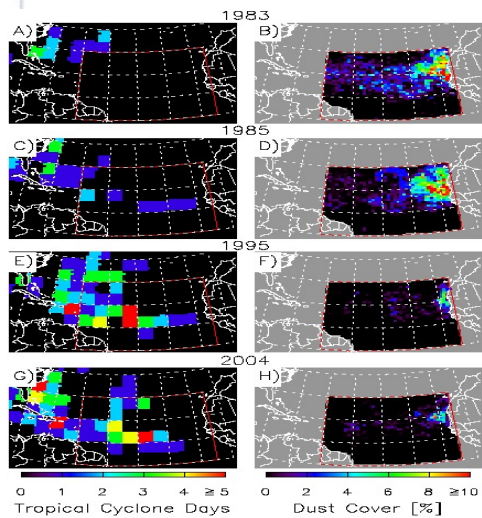
**Human Health** (Asthma, infections, Meningitis in Africa, Valley Fever in the America's)



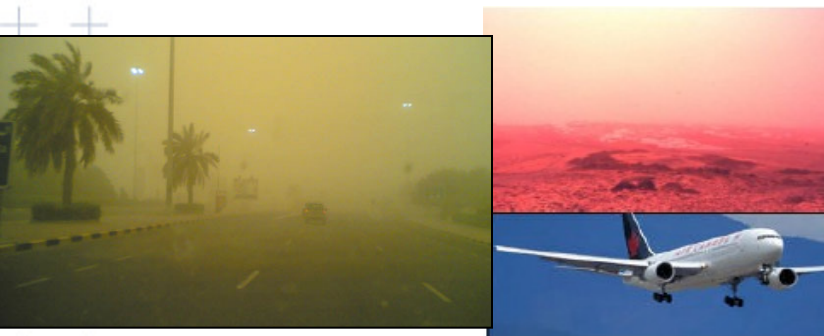
**Agriculture** (negative & positive impacts)



**Marine productivity** (negative & positive impacts)



**Improved Weather and Seasonal Climate prediction**

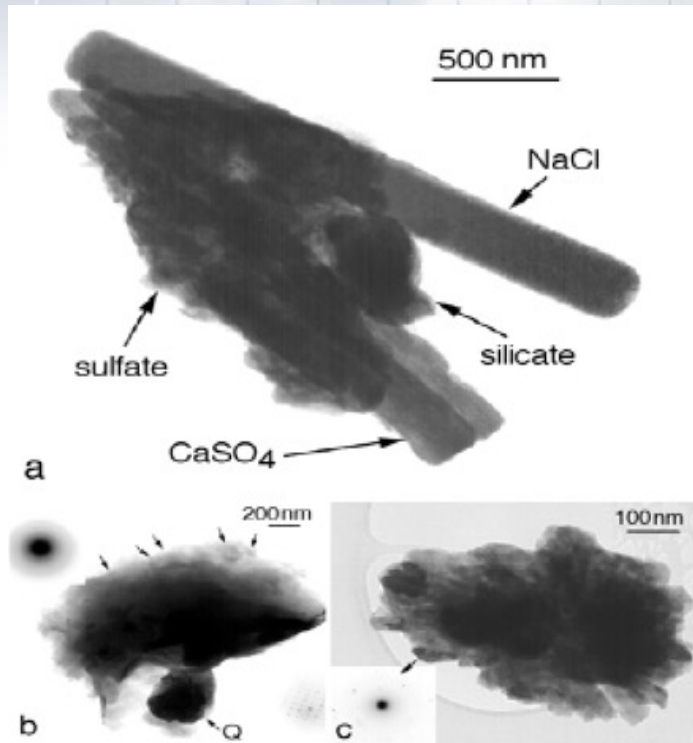


**Aviation** (air disasters)  
**Ground Transportation**

**Industry** (Semi-conductor, etc.)

**Energy** (Thermal solar energy)

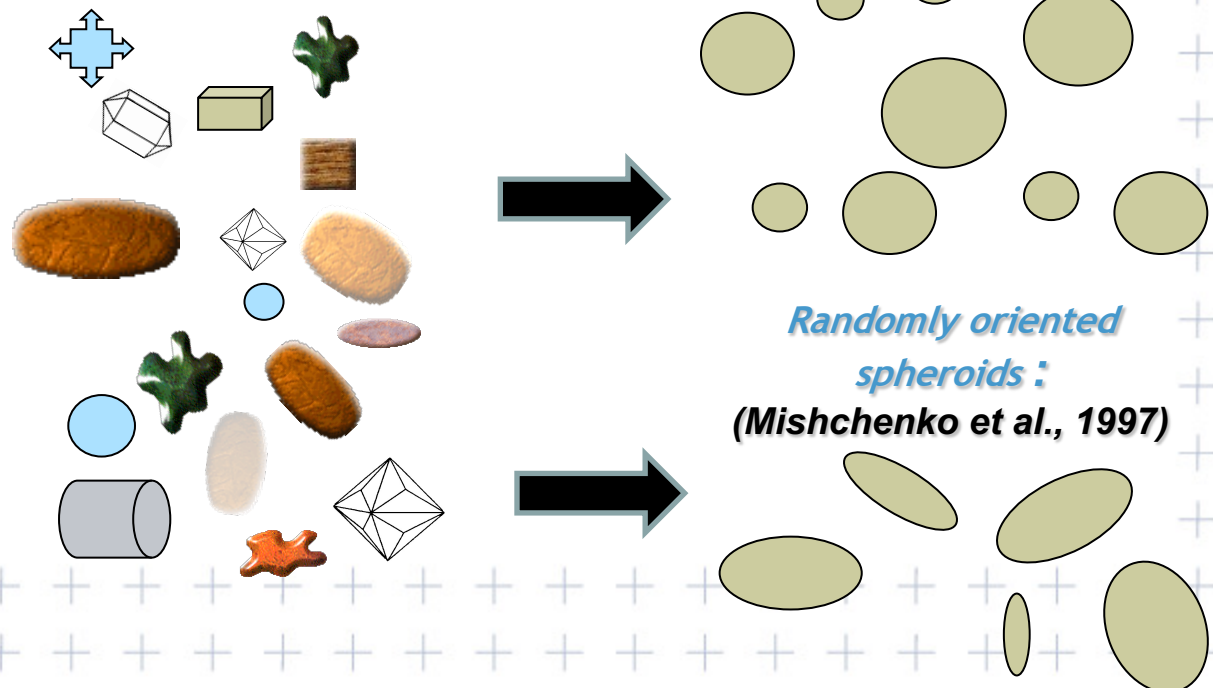




*Busek and Posfai, 1996*

## Dust Particle Images

aerodynamic diameter, measured in microns or micrometers ( $\mu\text{m}$ ), a unit equal to one millionth of a meter.

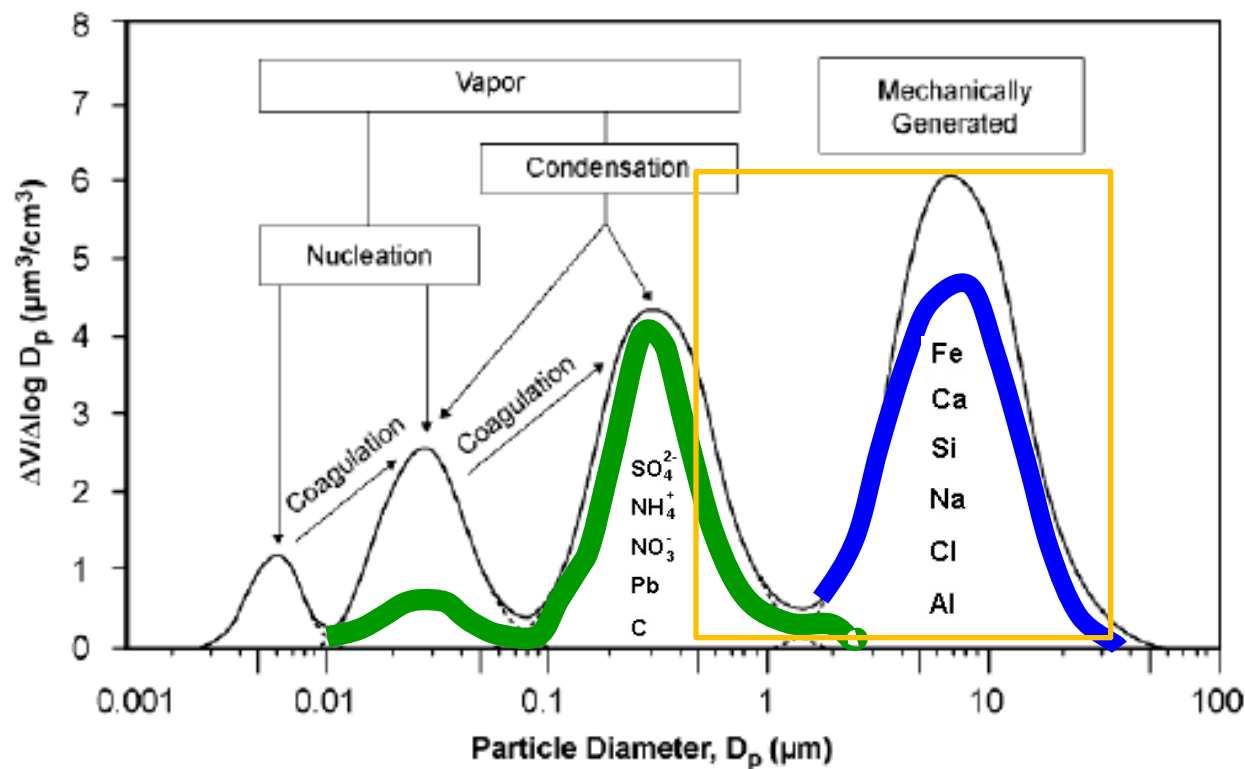




PM<sub>10</sub> (diameter <10 microm)

PM<sub>2.5</sub>

PM<sub>2.5-10</sub>



ultrafine  
<0.1  $\mu m$

accumulation  
0.1 - 1  $\mu m$

Coarse  
1 - 10  $\mu m$

Mineral dust:

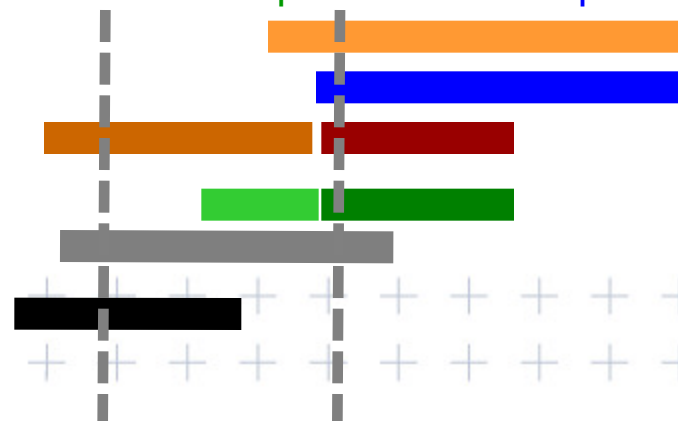
Marine salt:

Sulfate:

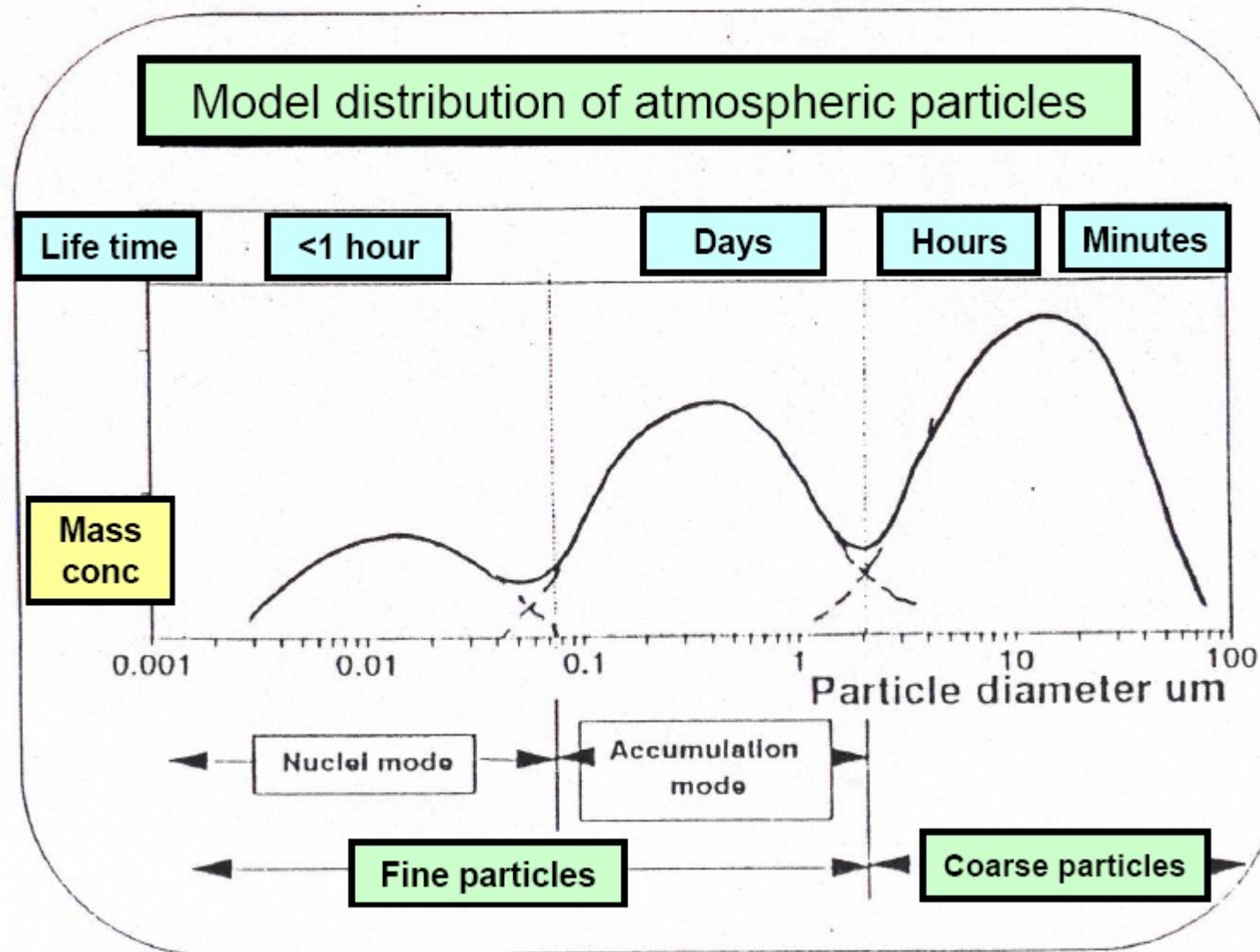
Nitrate:

Organic aerosol:

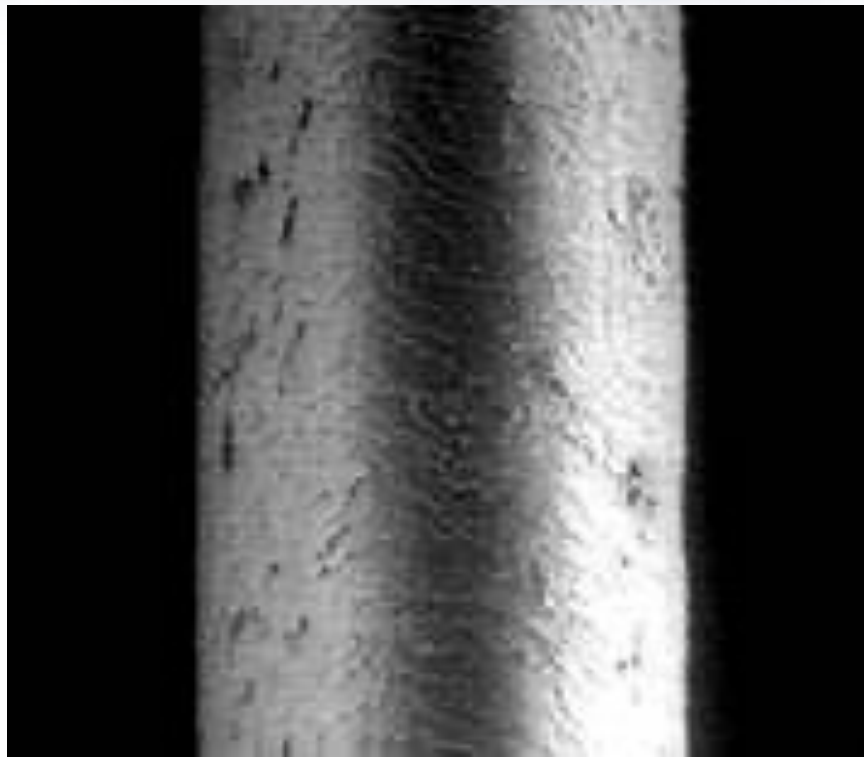
black carbon:



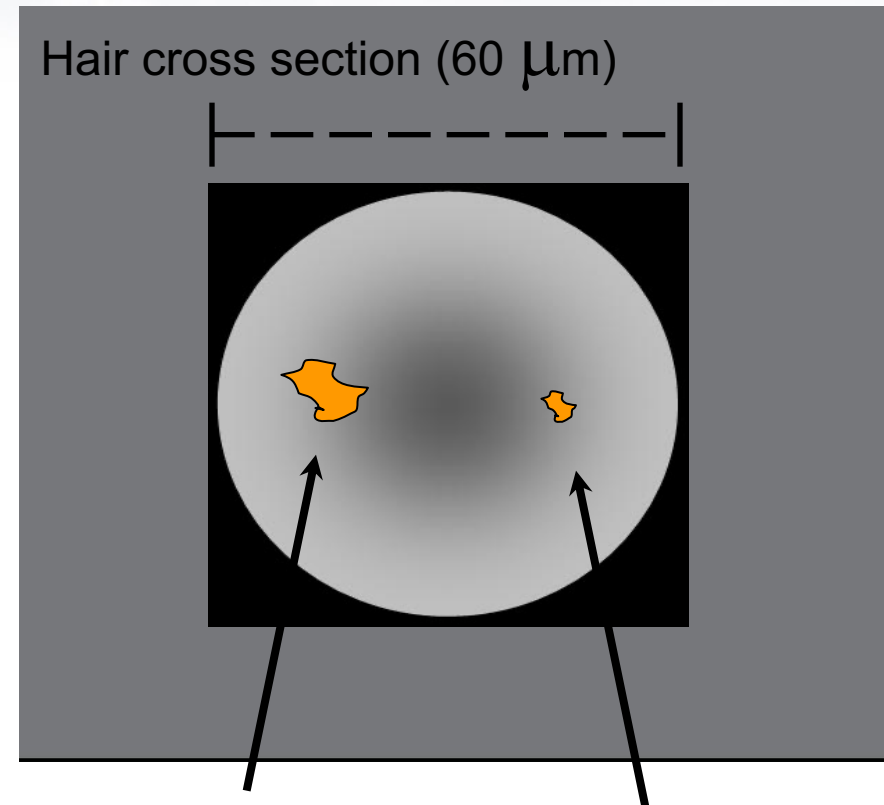




Particles in the Atmosphere: atmospheric residence time Model

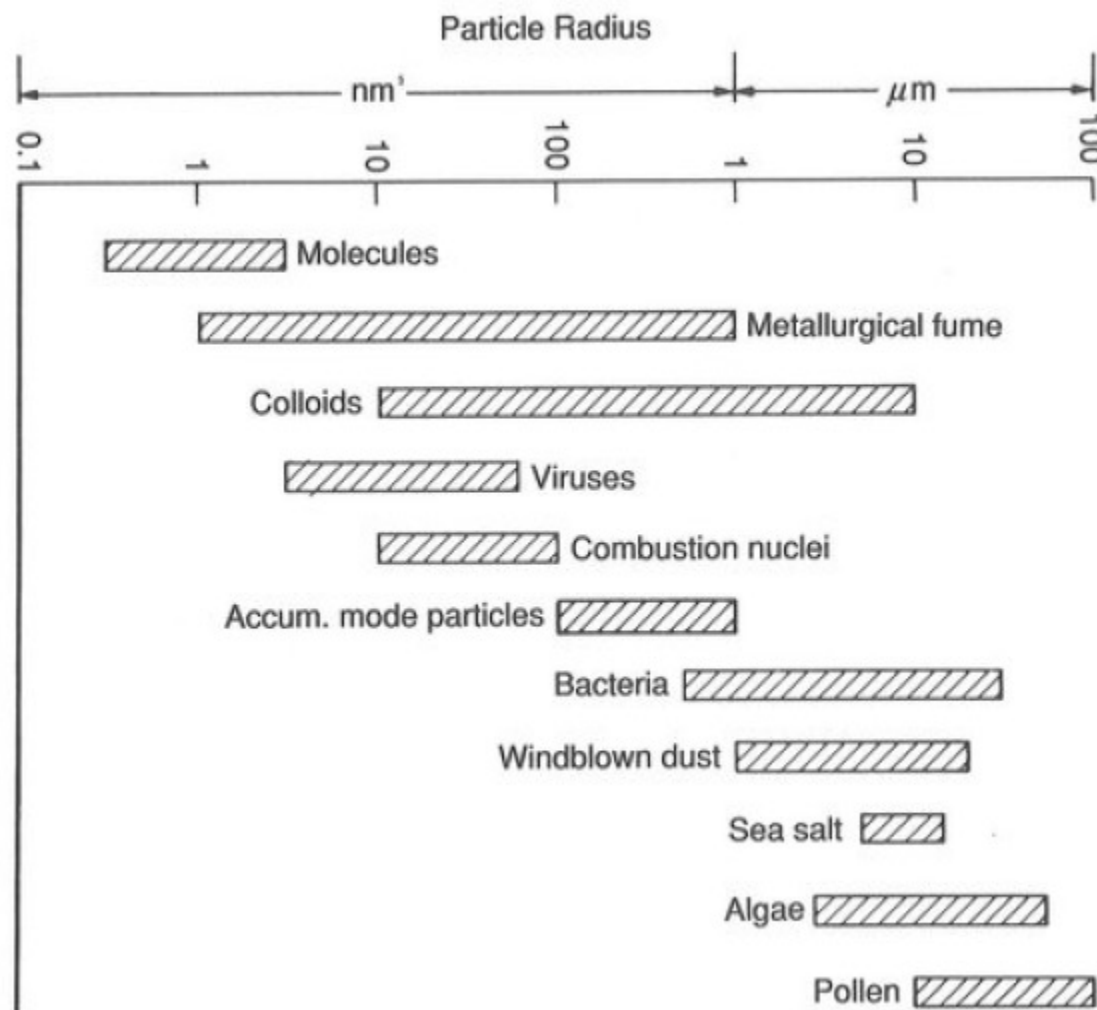


**Human Hair**  
**(60  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter)**



**PM<sub>10</sub>**  
**(10  $\mu\text{m}$ )**

**PM<sub>2.5</sub>**  
**(2.5  $\mu\text{m}$ )**

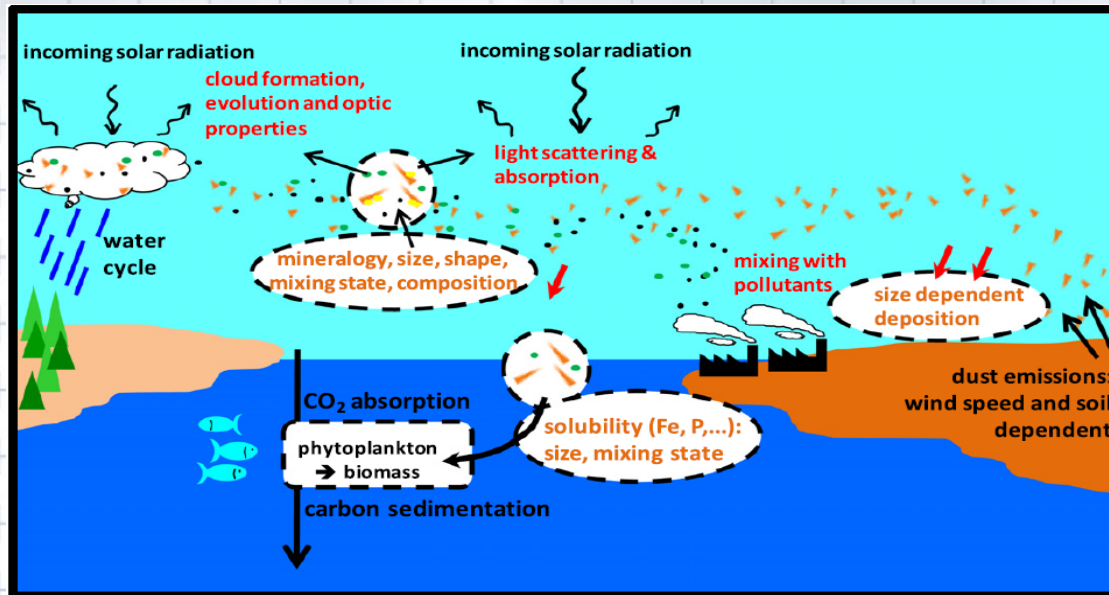


Size of different atmospheric aerosols, from (Graedel and Crutzen, 1994)

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## What property of aerosol dust we want to measure ?



number size distribution  
 mass concentration  
 chemical composition  
 mixing state  
 mineralogy  
 optical properties

**in-situ techniques**

Review Article

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## **property of aerosol dust:**

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**mass concentration**

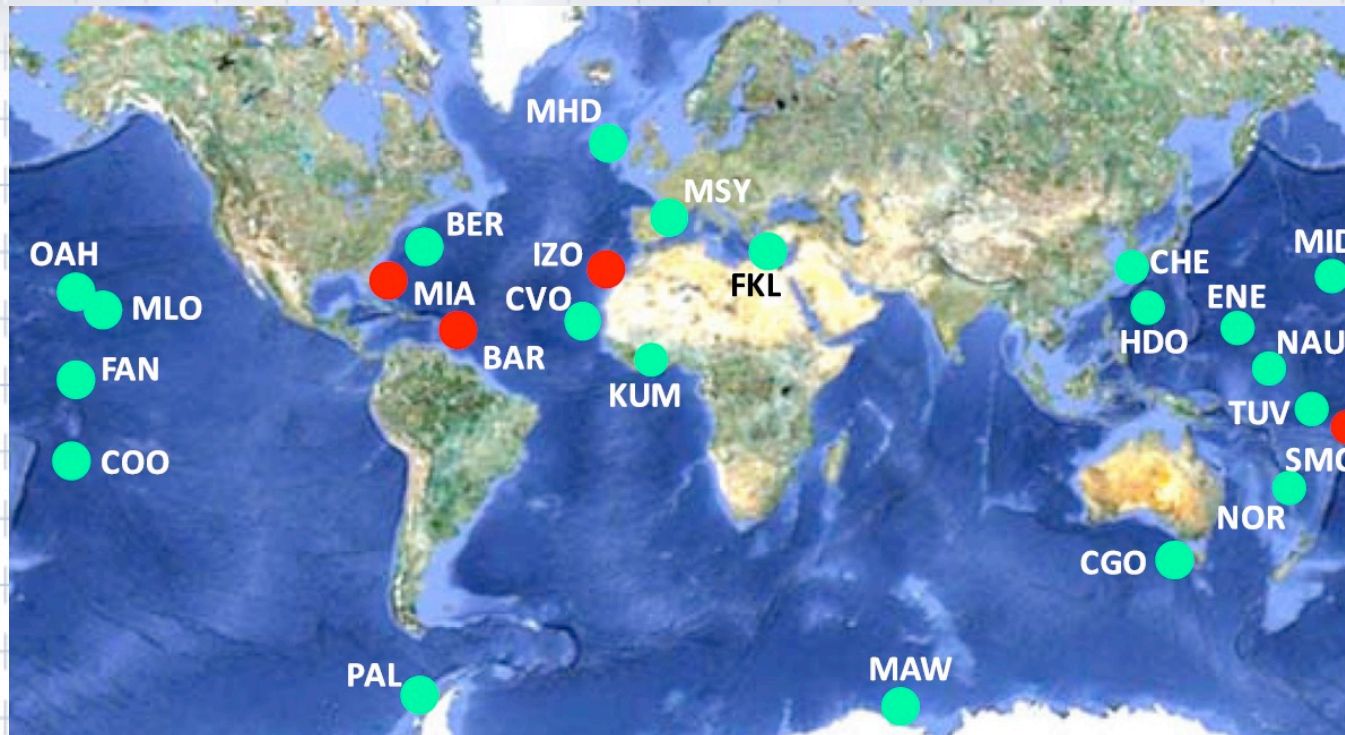
**chemical composition**



**mixing state**

**mineralogy**

**optical properties**

## Long term monitoring dust background-observatories:



-  at least 4 years
-  Active during the last 20 years

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# Long term monitoring dust observatories:

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**Table 1**  
Observatories where long term dust characterization has been performed during at least 5 years. Elements: elemental composition. Starting date is highlighted in black. See acronyms list.

| Observatory                        | Parameter          | Size fraction | Period                    | Parameter  | Technique                               | Reference                         |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Atlantic Ocean</i>              |                    |               |                           |  |   |                                   |
| Barbados, BAR<br>13.17°N,59.43°W   | Bulk chemistry     | Total         | 1965-on going<br>48 years | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> | Filter: Ash, INAA, IC, FAA, AC          | Prospero and Lamb (2003)          |
| Miami, MIA<br>25.75°N,80.25°W      | Bulk chemistry     | Total         | 1972-on going<br>39 years | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> | Filter: Ash, INAA, IC, FAA, AC          | Prospero (1999)                   |
| Izaña, IZO<br>28.30°N,16.50°W      | Bulk chemistry     |               | 1987-on going<br>26 years |  |   |                                   |
|                                    |                    | Total         | 1987–1999                 | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> | Filter: Ash, INAA, IC, FAA, AC          | Prospero et al. (1995)            |
|                                    |                    | Total         | 2002-on going             | Elements, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> , (OC, EC)             | Filter: (ICP-AES, ICP-MS), IC, ISE, TOR | Rodríguez et al. (2011)           |
|                                    |                    | <10 µm        | 2005-on going             | “  | “                                       | “                                 |
|                                    |                    | <2.5 µm       | 2002-on going             | “  | “                                       | “                                 |
|                                    |                    | <1 µm         | 2009-on going             | “  | “                                       | “                                 |
|                                    | Size distribution  | 10–400 nm     | 2008-on going             | dN/dlogD   | SMPS                                    | Rodríguez et al. (2009)           |
|                                    |                    | 0.5–20 µm     | 2007-on going             | dN/dlogD   | APSTOPS                                 | Rodríguez et al. (2011)           |
|                                    | optical properties | <10 µm        | 2008-on going             | Total and back scattering (3λ)   | Integrating nephelometer                | Andrews et al. (2010)             |
|                                    |                    | <10 µm        | 2007-on going             | Absorption (1λ)  | Absorption photometry                   | Andrews et al. (2010)             |
| Bermudas, BER<br>32.27°N, 64.87°W  | Bulk chemistry     | Total         | 1988–1998<br>11 years     | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> | Filter: Ash, INAA, IC, FAA, AC          | Prospero (personal communication) |
| Mace Head, MHD<br>53.32°N, 9.85°W  | Bulk chemistry     | Total         | 1988–1994<br>7 years      | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> | Filter: Ash, INAA, IC, FAA, AC          | Prospero (personal communication) |
| Cape Verde, CVO<br>16.45°N,22.57°W | Bulk chemistry     | Total         | 1991–1994<br>4 years      | Major elements (Si, Al, Ca, K)   | Filter: XRF                             | Chiapello et al. (1995, 1997a)    |
| Kumasi, KUM<br>6.40°N,1.34°W       | Size distribution  | 0.5–25 µm     | 1996–2005<br>10 years     | Number size distribution   | OPC                                     | Sunnu et al. (2008)               |

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| Observatory  | Parameter                               | Size fraction | Period        | Parameter   | Technique                               | Reference                         |
|--|---|---------------|---------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Mediterranean</b><br>Montseny, MSY<br>41.76°N, 2.58°E   | Bulk chemistry                          |               | 2003-on going |   |   |                                   |
|  |   | <10 µm        | 10 years      |   |   |                                   |
|  |   | <2.5 µm       | 2003-on going | Elements, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> , (OC, EC)  | Filter: (ICP-AES, ICP-MS), IC, ISE, TOR | Querol et al. (2009a,b)           |
|  |   | <1 µm         | 2002-on going | "   | "                                       | "                                 |
|  | Size distribution<br>Optical properties | 10–800 nm     | 2009-on going | "   | "                                       | "                                 |
|  |   | <10 µm        | 2010-on going | dN/dlogD  | SMPS                                    |                                   |
|  |   | <10 µm        | 2008-on going | Total and back scattering (3λ)  | Integrating nephelometer                | Pandolfi et al. (2011)            |
|  |   | <10 µm        | 2009-on going | Absorption (1λ)   | Absorption photometry                   | "                                 |
|  |   |               | 2004-on going |   | Filter: ICP-MS, (IC), TOR               | Koulouri et al. (2008)            |
|  |   | <10 µm        | 2004-on going | Elements, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> , K <sup>+</sup> , Mg <sup>+2</sup> , Ca <sup>+2</sup> ), (OC, EC) | "                                       | "                                 |
| <b>Finokalia, FKL</b><br>35.20°N, 25.40°E                  | Bulk chemistry                          | <1.3 µm       | 2004-on going | "   | "                                       | "                                 |
|  |   | 18–800 nm     | 2004-on going | dN/dlogD  | SMPS                                    | Kalivitis et al. (2008)           |
|  | Size distribution<br>optical properties | <10 µm        | 2001-on going | Total and back scattering (1λ)  | Nephelometer                            | Kalivitis et al. (2011)           |
|  |   | <10 µm        | 2004-on going | Absorption (3λ)   | Absorption photometry                   | "                                 |
|  |   |               |               |   |   |                                   |
| Observatory  | Parameter                               | Size fraction | Period        | Parameter   | Technique                               | Reference                         |
| <b>Indian Ocean</b><br>CAPE GRIM, CGO<br>40.68°S, 144.68°E | Bulk chemistry                          | Total         | 1983-1996     | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | Filter: INAA, IC                        | Prospero (personal communication) |
|  |   |               | 14 years      |   |   |                                   |
| <b>Antartida</b><br>Mawson, MAW<br>64.60°S, 62.50°E        | Bulk chemistry                          | Total         | 1987-1995     | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | Filter: INAA, IC                        | Prospero (personal communication) |
|  |   |               | 9 years       |   |   |                                   |
| Palmer Station, PAL<br>64.77°S, 64.05°W                    | Bulk chemistry                          | Total         | 1990-1996     | Bulk dust, Al, (SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup> , NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> ), Na <sup>+</sup> , NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>  | Filter: INAA, IC                        | Prospero (personal communication) |
|  |   |               | 7 years       |   |   |                                   |





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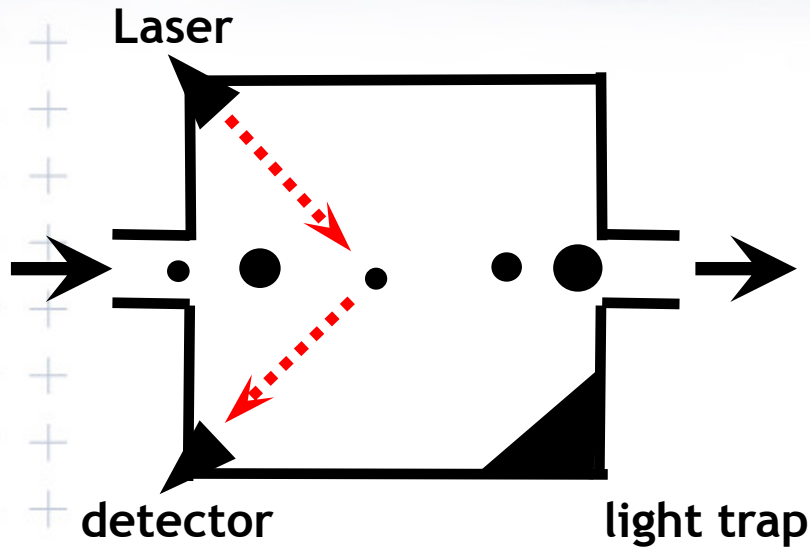
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optical properties

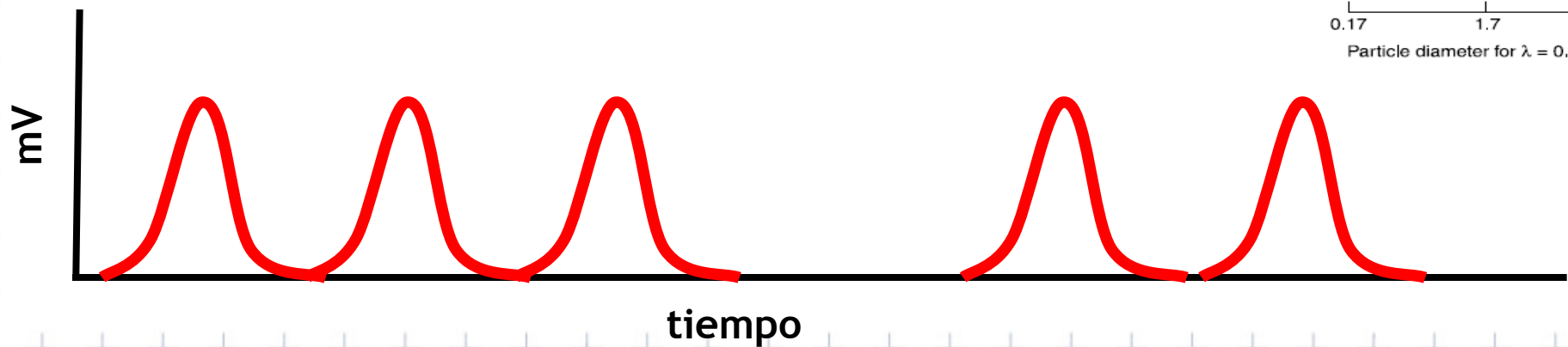
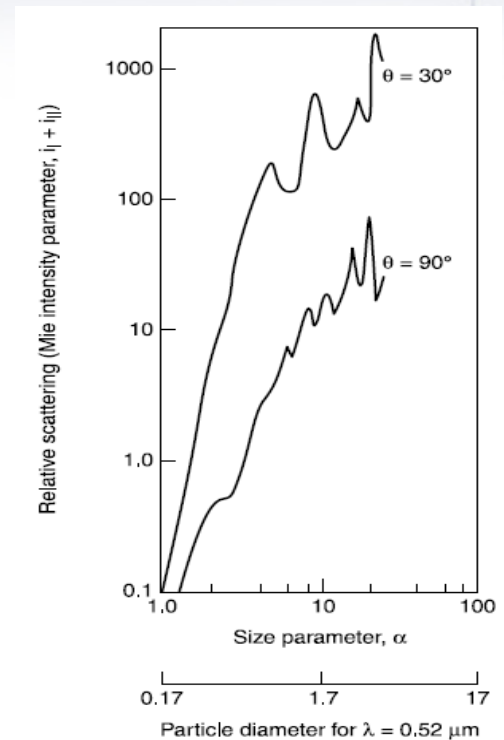


# property of aerosol dust: **number size distribution**

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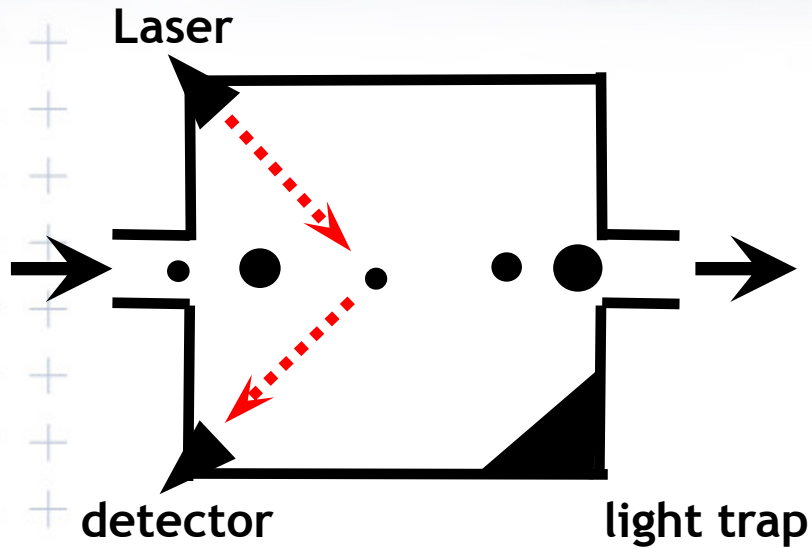


Intensidad del scattering  
 $I(dp, \theta, \lambda, m)$

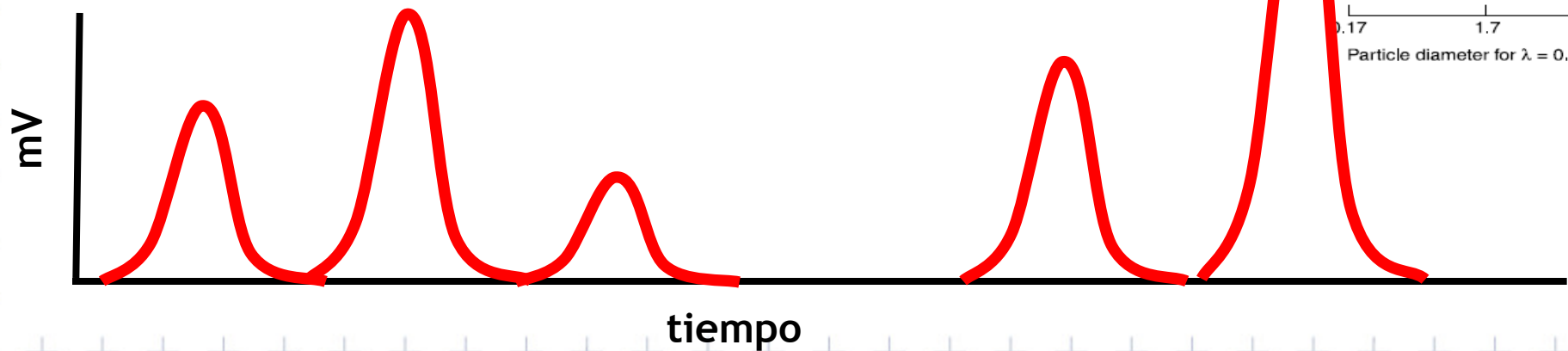
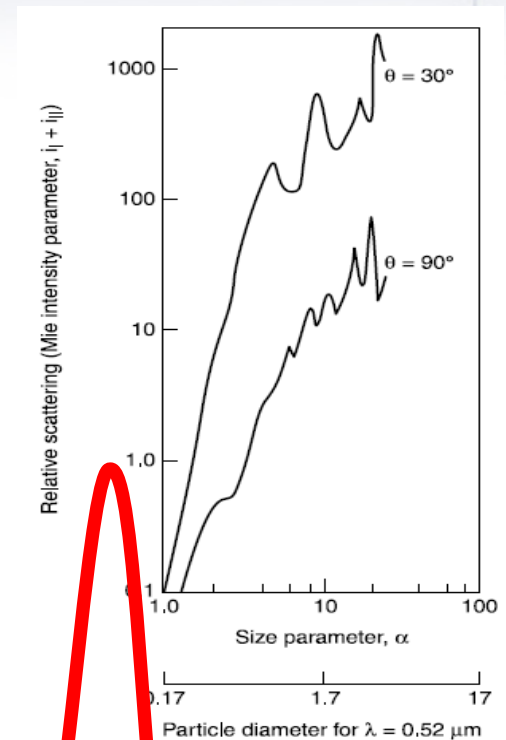


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# property of aerosol dust: number size distribution

## 1. Optical Particle Counter OPC: 0.5 - 20 μm

A long-term experimental study of the Saharan dust presence in West Africa

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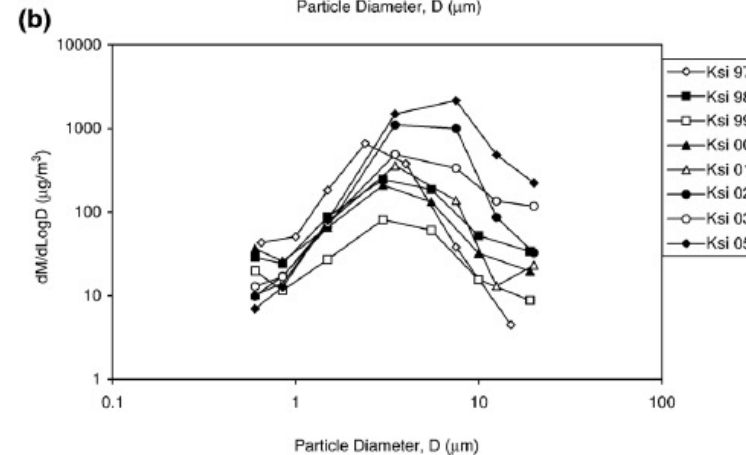
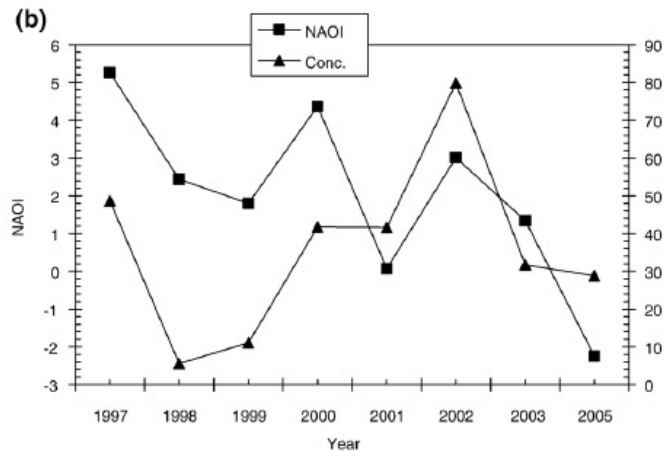
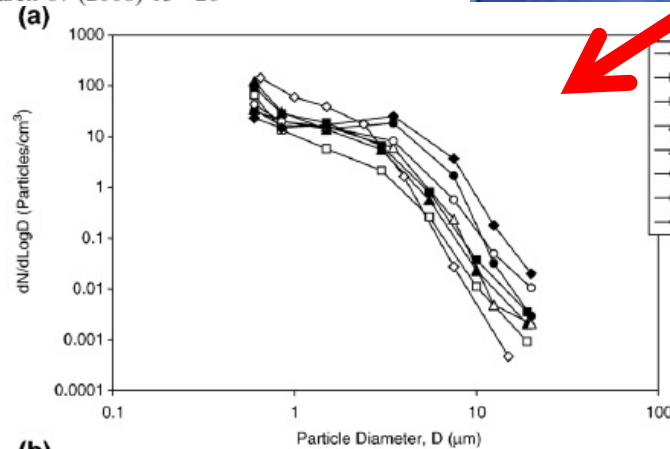
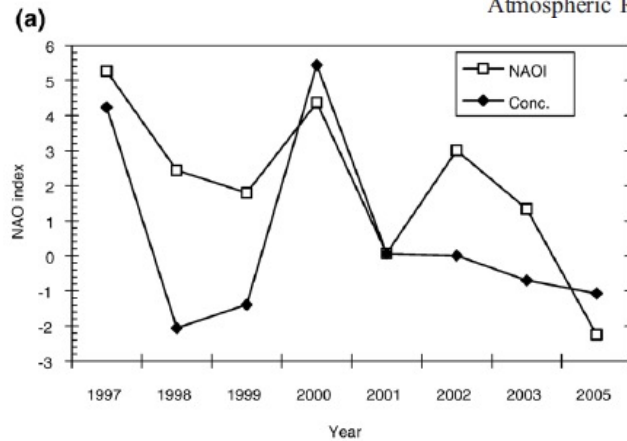
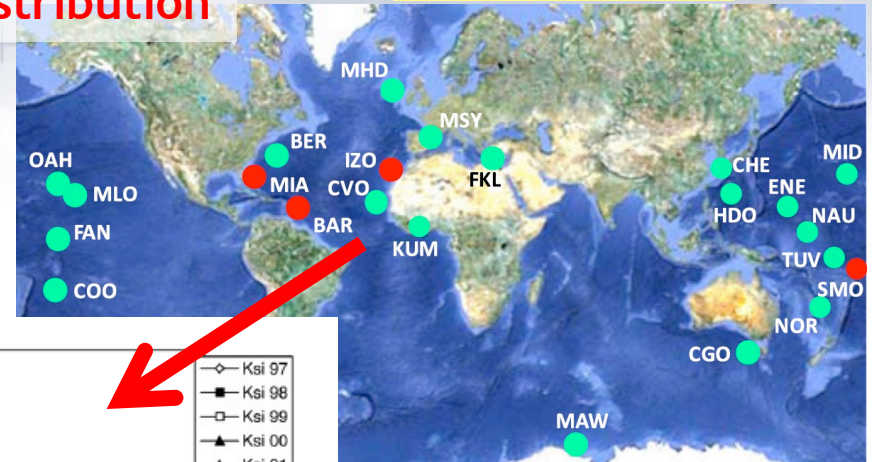


Fig. 3. Inter-annual comparison of number and mass frequency distributions at Kumasi (Ksi).



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$$\frac{dV}{d \log D} = \frac{\pi}{6} d^3 \frac{dN}{d \log D}$$

# property of aerosol dust: number size distribution

## 1. Optical Particle Counter OPC: 0.5 - 20 $\mu\text{m}$

### Disadvantage / sources of uncertainties:

Relationship between pulse height (signal in detector) and the size of the particle depends on unknown particle parameters:

refractive index and shape



$$m = n + k \cdot i$$

e.g. some commercial instruments

$$m = 1.5 + 0 \cdot i$$

OPC are very useful instruments,  
but sources of uncertainties should  
be known:

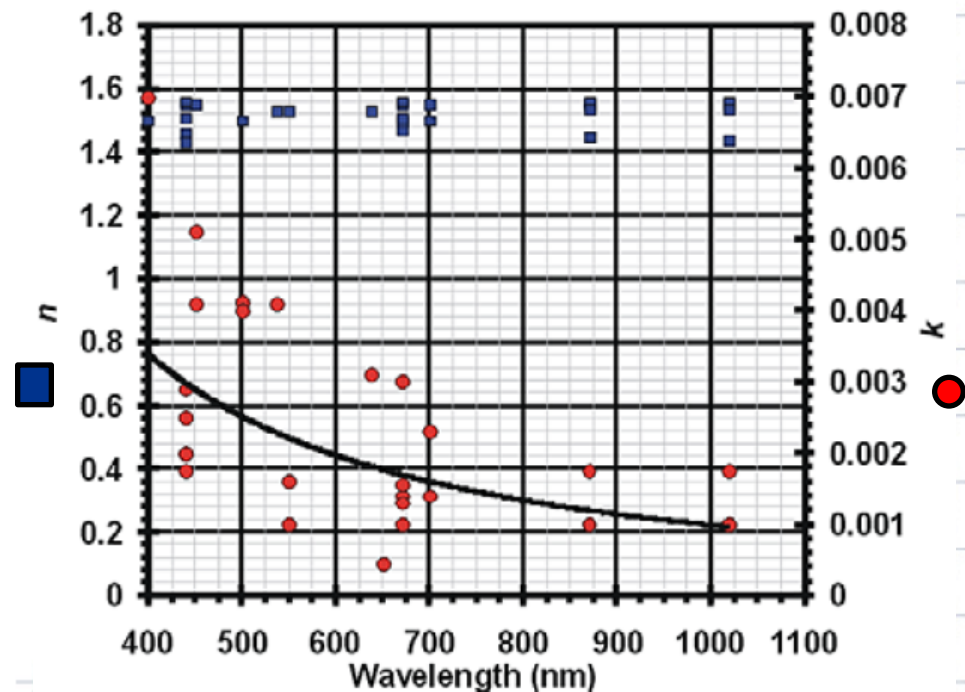
Particle size (?)  $\rightarrow$  diameter of the  
calibration polystyrene spheres (PLS)



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### refractive index of dust

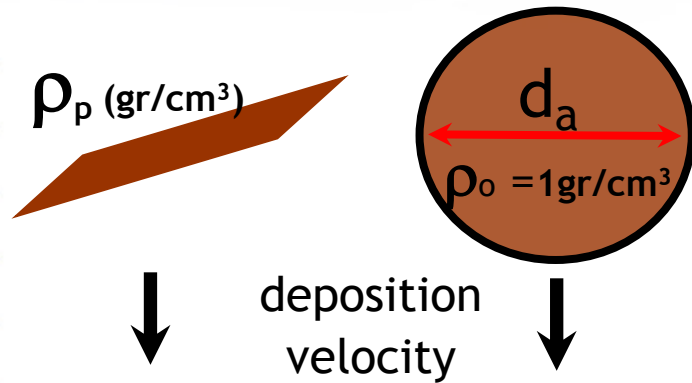




# property of aerosol dust: **number size distribution**

## 1. Optical Particle Counter OPC

## 2. Aerodynamic Particle Sizer: 0.7 - 20 $\mu\text{m}$



The aerodynamic diameter of a particle is the diameter that would have a particle of density 1  $\text{g}/\text{cm}^3$  that settle at the same velocity of our dust - particles

$$V_{TS} = \frac{\rho_p \cdot d_p^2 \cdot g}{18 \eta} = \frac{\rho_o \cdot d_a^2 \cdot g}{18 \eta}$$

$d_p$  = geometric diameter

$d_a$  = aerodynamic diameter

$$d_a \cong d_p \cdot \left( \sqrt{\frac{\rho_p}{\rho_o}} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \rho_p = 2.6 \text{ g/cm}^3 \text{ dust} \\ \rho_o = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3 \end{array}$$

$$\underbrace{\quad}_{1.6} \downarrow$$

$$d_a = 1.6 d_p$$

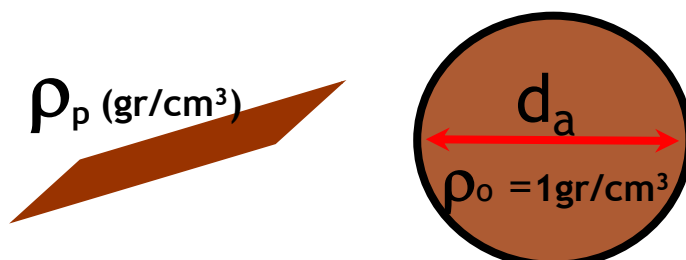
$$d_a > d_p$$

| $d_a, \mu\text{m}$ | $d_p, \mu\text{m}$ |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| 20.0               | 12.5               |
| 10.0               | 6.25               |
| 3.0                | 1.875              |
| 1.0                | 0.625              |
| 0.5                | 0.3125             |

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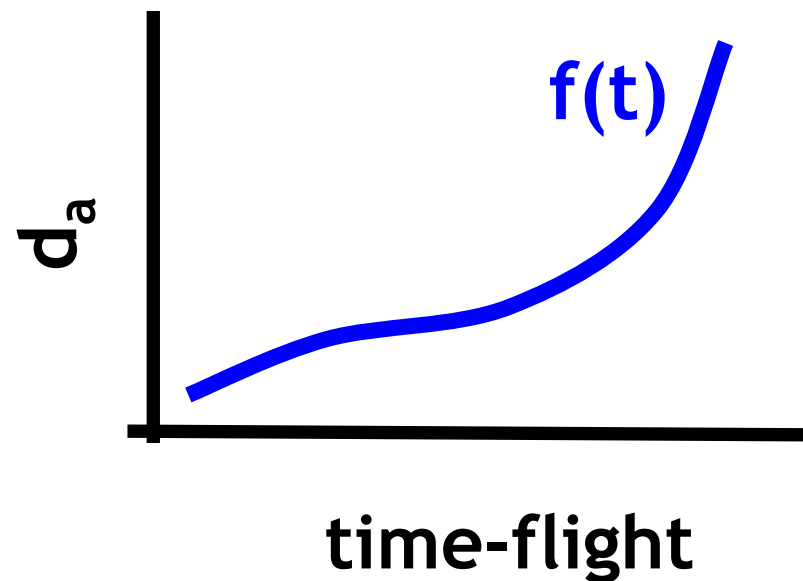
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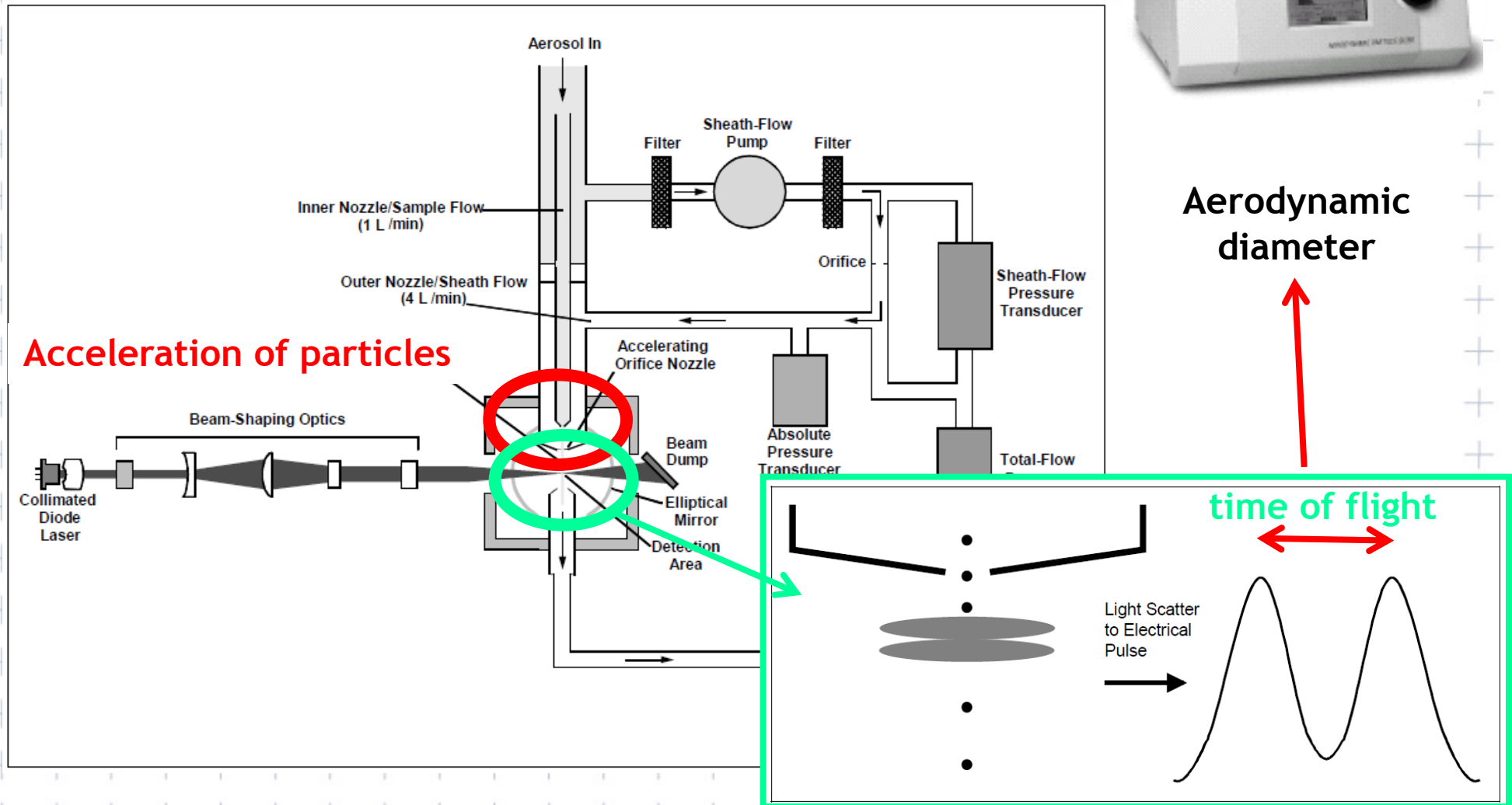
calibration  
 $t = f(\rho_p, d)$ 
measurement  
 $d_a = f(t)$



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Potential sources of uncertainties:

Deviations in the sheath / sample flows → inaccuracies in sizing

Characterization of TSP 3321 model, with PLS:

- a counting efficiency of 85% at 0.8  $\mu\text{m}$ , 99% at 3.0  $\mu\text{m}$ , 99% at 5.1  $\mu\text{m}$  and 90% at 9.4  $\mu\text{m}$  (Volckens and Peters, 2005).
- a sizing accuracy of 2 and 3% when measuring spheres of 0.65  $\mu\text{m}$  and 0.96  $\mu\text{m}$  diameter, respectively (Peters and Leith, 2003).
- a 15% instrument-to-instrument variability when sizing 1  $\mu\text{m}$  spheres (Volckens and Peters, 2005).



## property of aerosol dust: **number size distribution**

1. Optical Particle Counter OPC: 0.5 - 20  $\mu\text{m}$

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3. **Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer: 3 nm - 1  $\mu\text{m}$**



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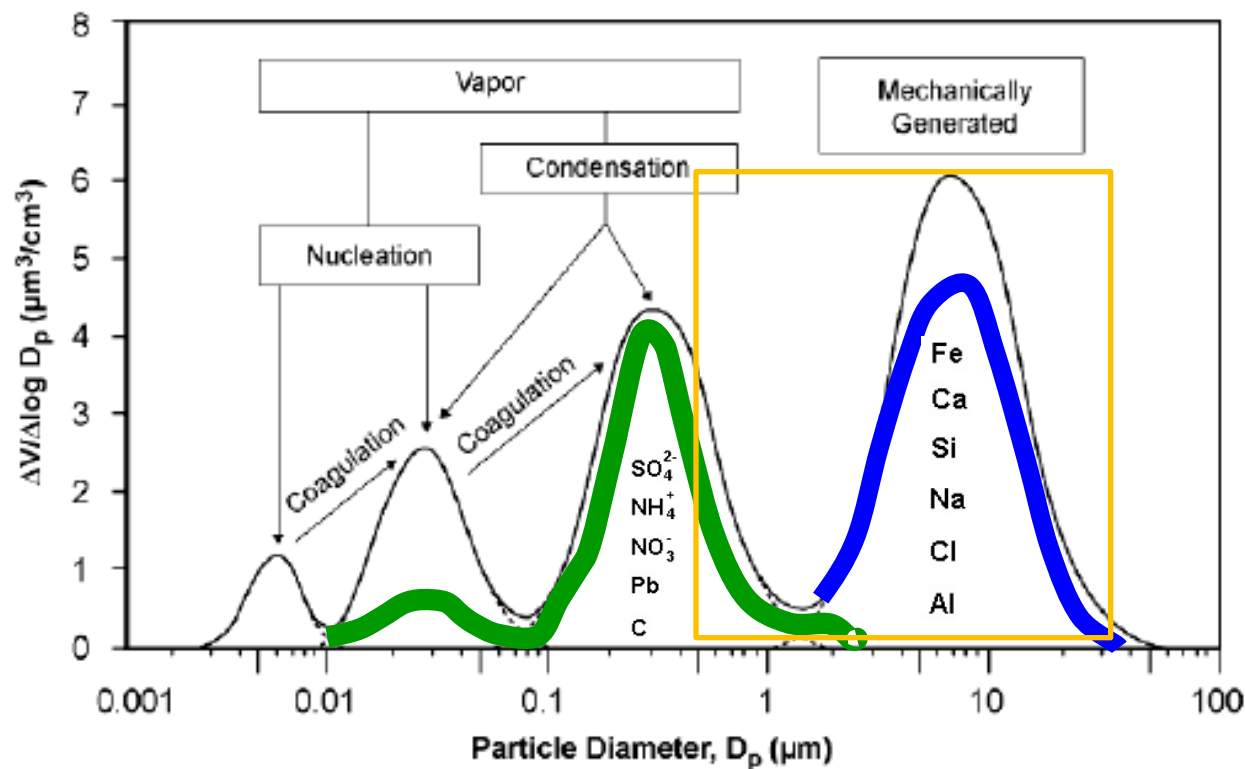
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PM<sub>2.5</sub>

PM<sub>2.5-10</sub>



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<0.1  $\mu\text{m}$

accumulation  
0.1 - 1  $\mu\text{m}$

Coarse  
1 - 10  $\mu\text{m}$

Mineral dust :

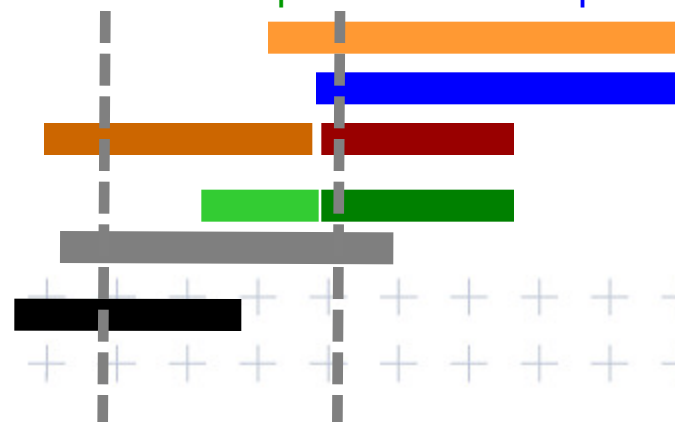
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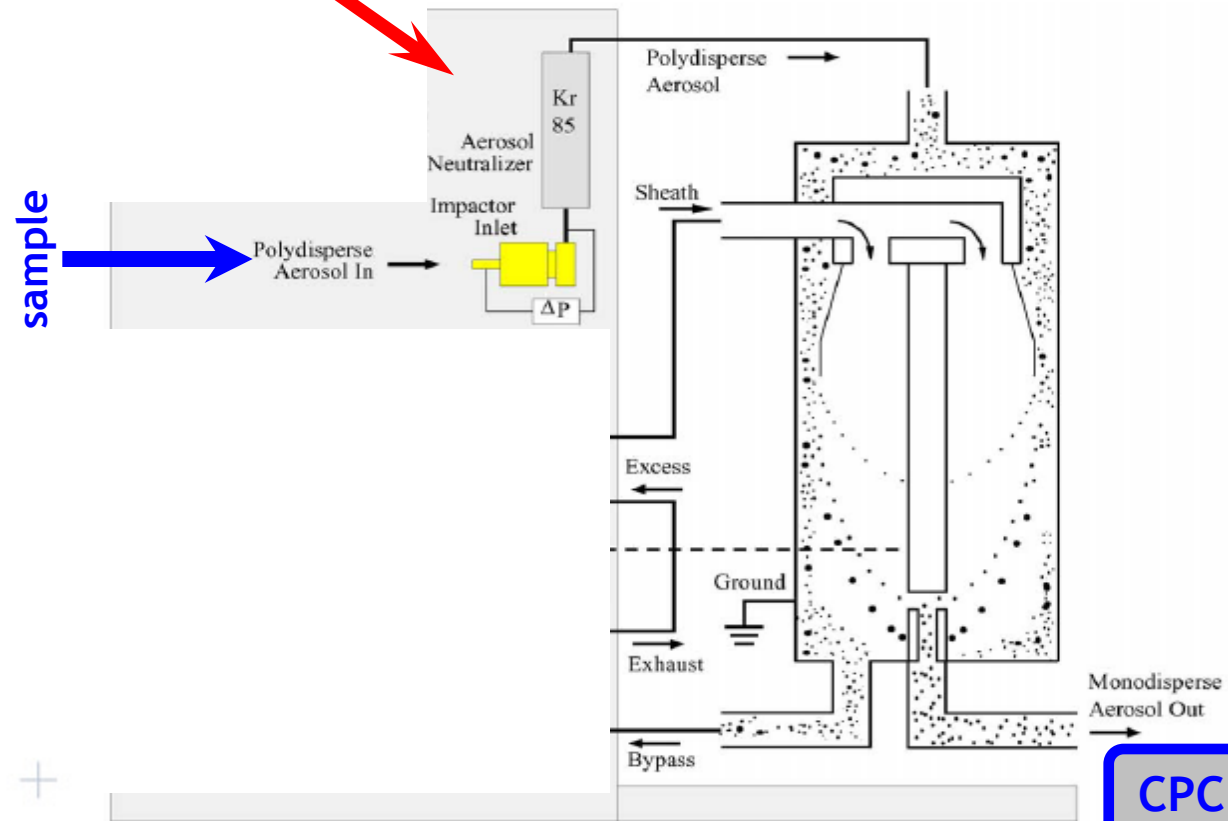
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## Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer: 3 nm - 1 $\mu$ m

### 1. Neutralizer: known charge distribution



## Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer: 3 nm - 1µm

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$$Z_p = \frac{neC}{3\pi\mu D_p}$$

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$C$  = Cunningham slip correction =  
 $1 + \text{Kn}[\alpha + \beta \exp(-\gamma/\text{Kn})]$

$\alpha = 1.142$ ,  $\beta = 0.558$ ,  $\gamma = 0.999$  (Allen & Raabe, 1985)

$\text{Kn}$  = Knudsen Number =  $2\lambda/D_p$

$\lambda$  = gas mean free path =

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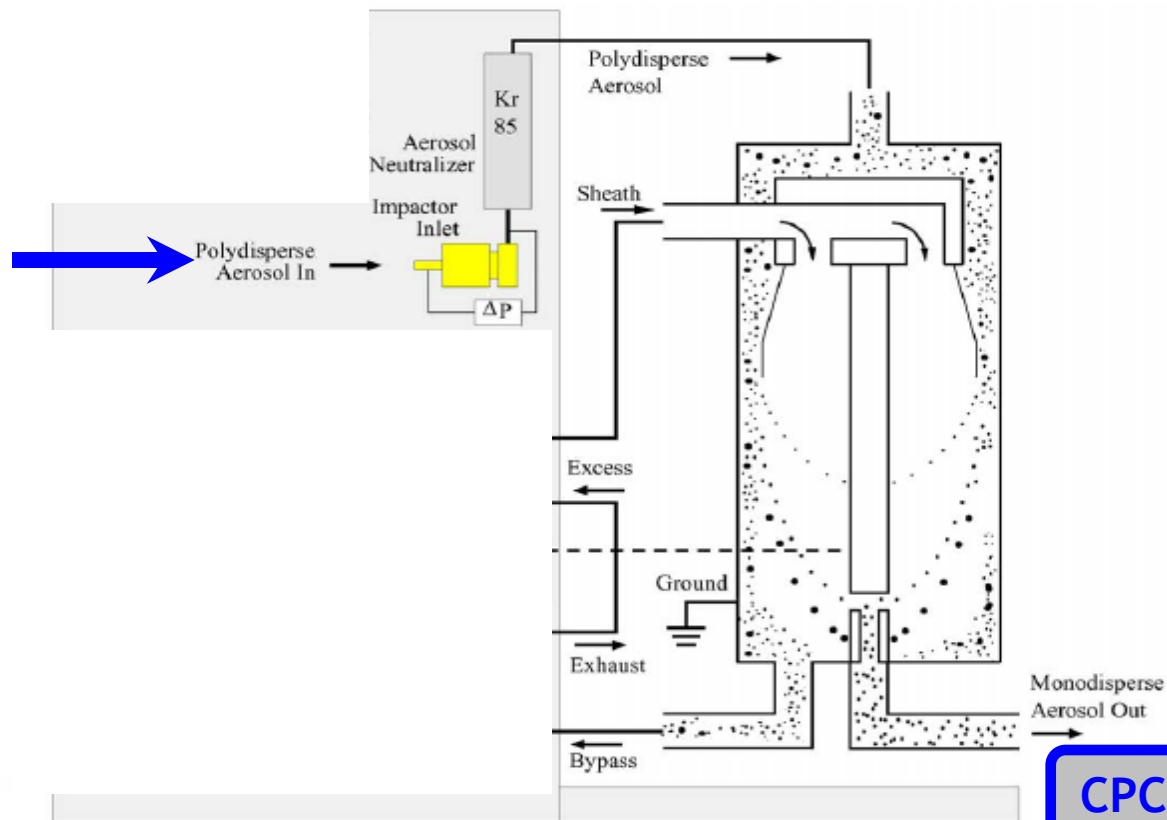
$$\mu_r \left( \frac{T_r + S}{T + S} \right) \left( \frac{T}{T_r} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$D_p$  = particle diameter (cm)

$S$  = Sutherland constant [K]

$T$  = temperature [K]

$T_r$  = reference temperature [K]





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$$Z_p^* = \frac{q_{sh}}{2\pi VL} \ln \left( \frac{r_2}{r_1} \right)$$

where:

$Z_p^*$  = set mobility

$q_a$  = aerosol flow rate through the DMA ( $q_a = q_s = q_p$ ;  
for closed-loop setup of sheath and excess flow rate)

$q_s$  = monodisperse flow rate

$q_p$  = polydisperse flow rate

$q_{sh}$  = sheath air flow rate (equal to excess air flow rate)

$r_2$  = outer radius of annular space

= 1.961 cm (for Long DMA)

= 1.905 cm (for Nano DMA)

$r_1$  = inner radius of the annular space

= 0.937 cm (for Long DMA)

= 0.937 cm (for Nano DMA)

$\bar{V}$  = average voltage on the inner center rod (volts)

$L$  = length between exit slit and polydisperse aerosol inlet

= 44.369 cm (for Long DMA\*)

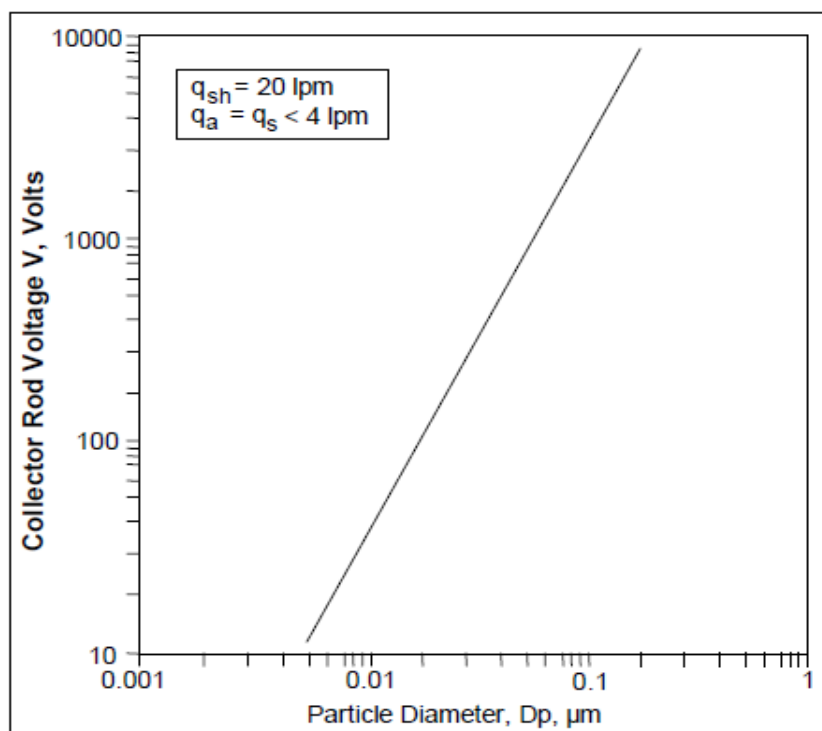
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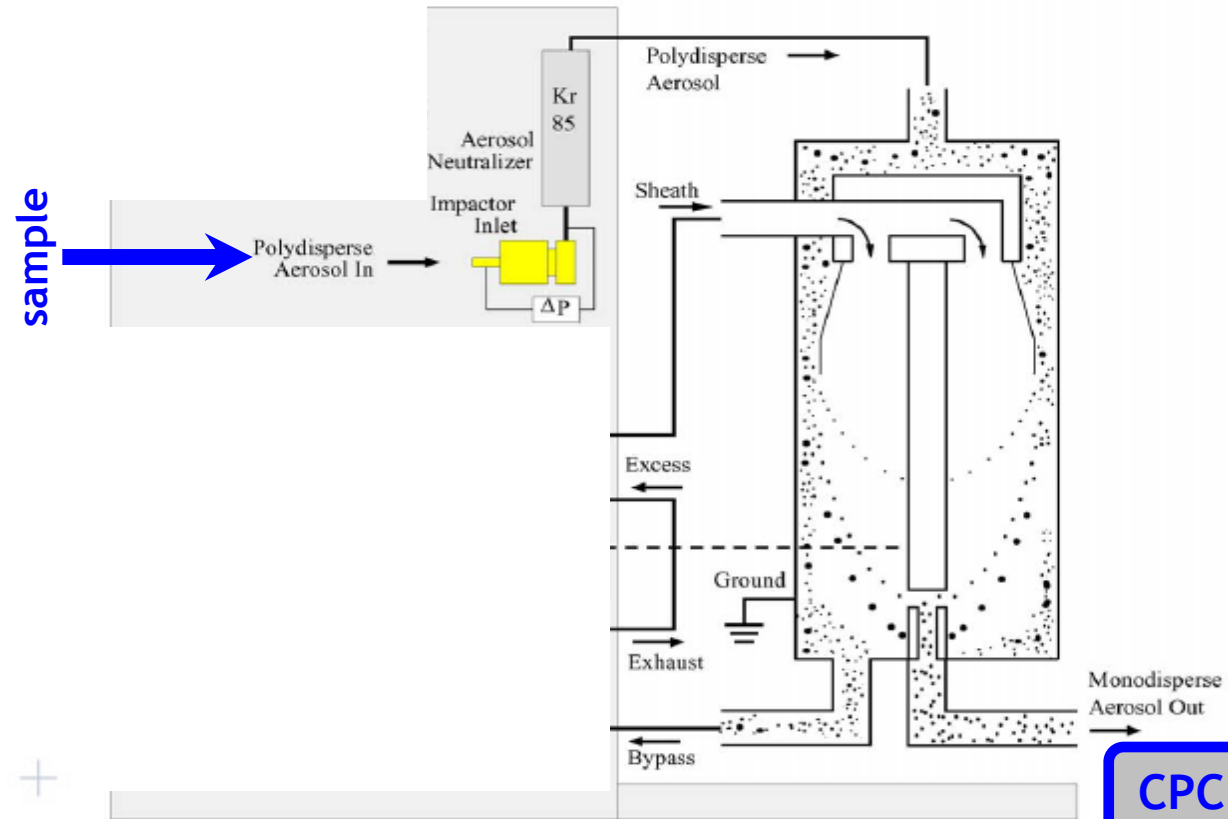
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## Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer: 3 nm - 1 $\mu$ m

1. Neutralizer: known charge distribution
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3. Counting of monodisperse particles



## Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer: 3 nm - 1μm

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2. Movilidad eléctrica y selección de tamaño de partículas
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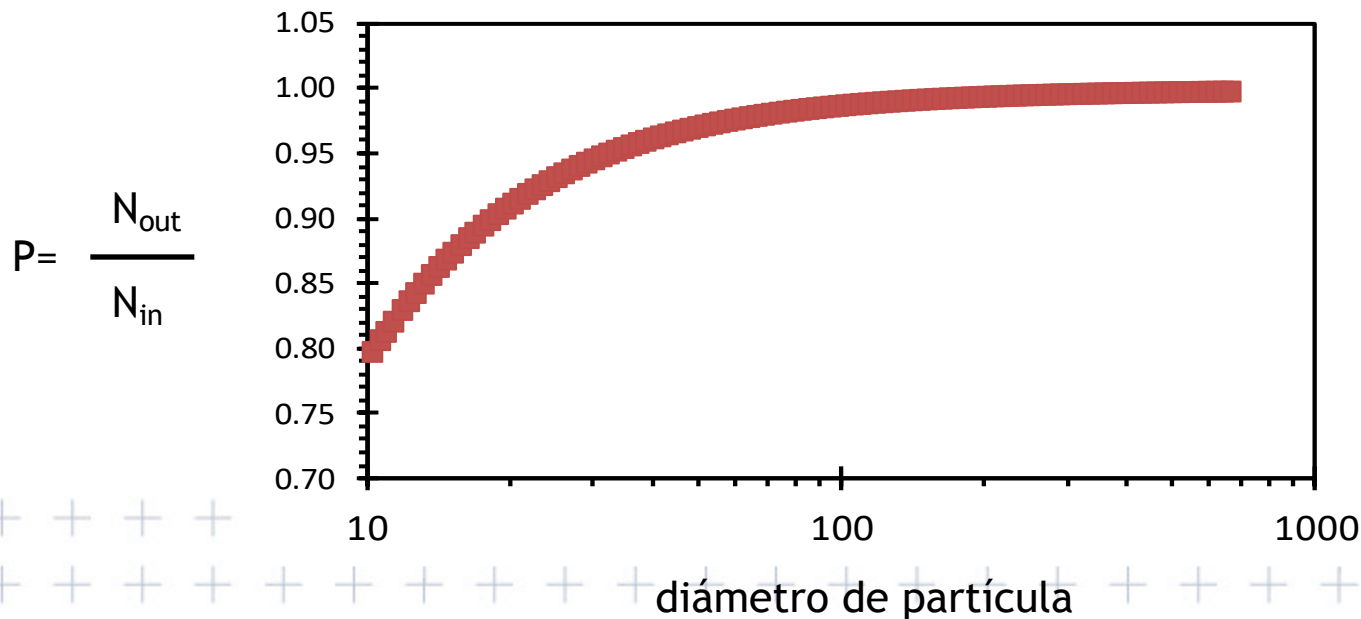
### 4. Diffusion losses correction

Penetration; diffusion losses  
HINDS (Eq 7.29, pag.146)

BARON (Eq 19-20, 19-21, pag.580)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P = & 0.81905 \exp(-3.6568\mu) + 0.09753 \exp(-22.305\mu) \\
 & + 0.0325 \exp(-56.961\mu) + 0.01544 \exp(-107.62\mu) \\
 & \text{for } \mu > 0.02
 \end{aligned} \quad (19-20)$$

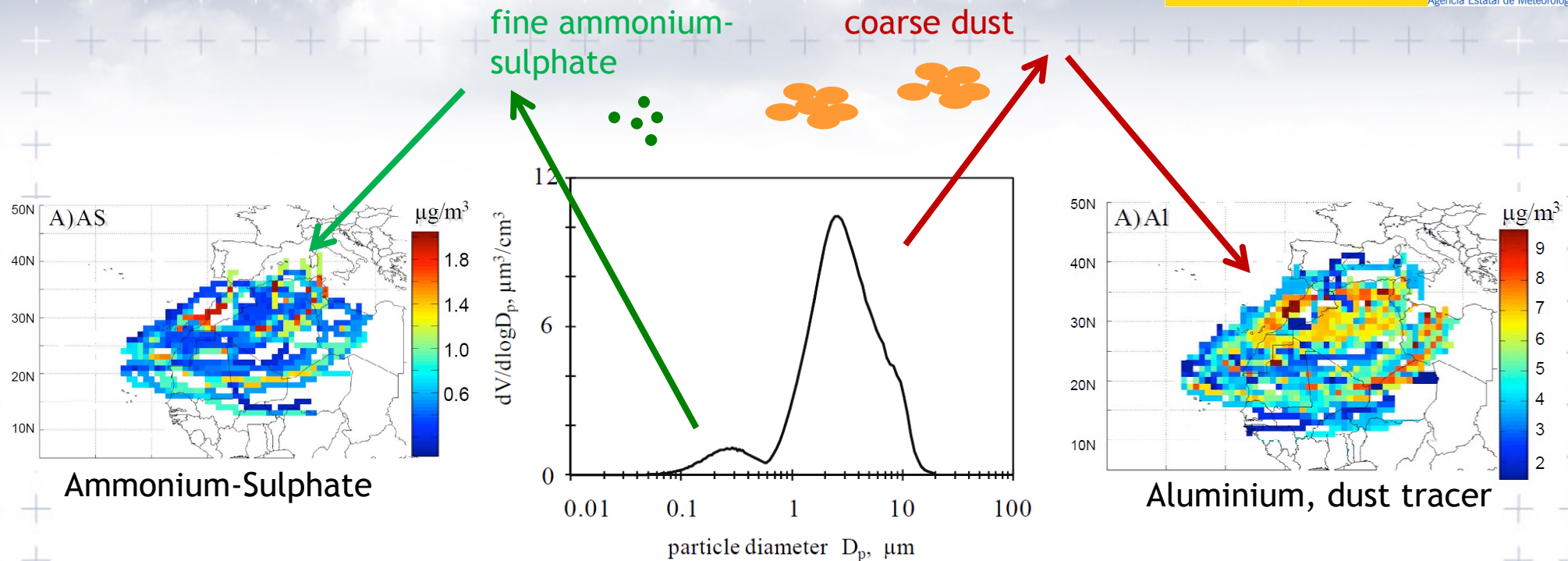
$$P = 1.0 - 2.5638\mu^{2/3} + 1.2\mu + 0.1767\mu^{4/3} \quad \text{for } \mu \leq 0.02 \quad (19-21)$$





## Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer: 3 nm - 1 $\mu$ m





Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer

Aerodynamic Particle Sizer

**Disadvantage of particle sizers (OPC, APS SMPS): cannot differentiate dust from other particles**



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## property of aerosol dust:

number size distribution

**mass concentration**

chemical composition

mixing state

mineralogy

optical properties

property of aerosol dust: **mass concentration**

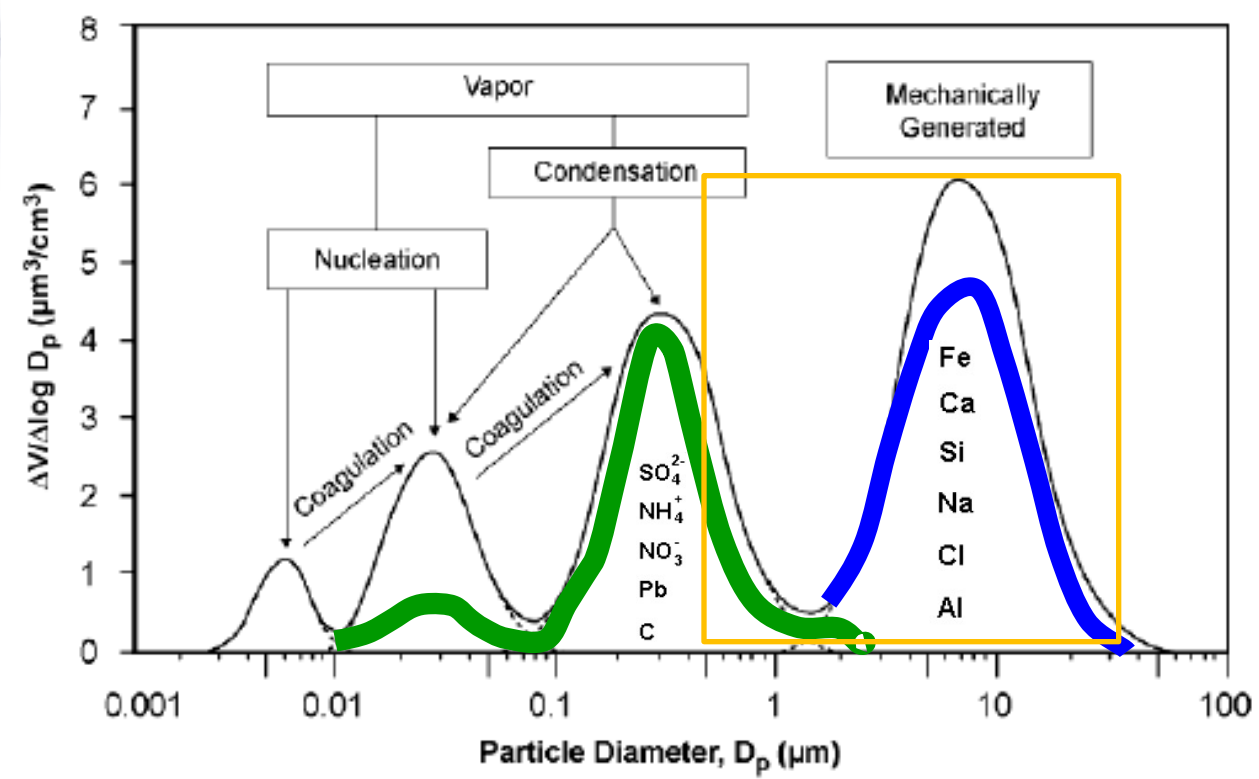
**bulk aerosol mass concentration**



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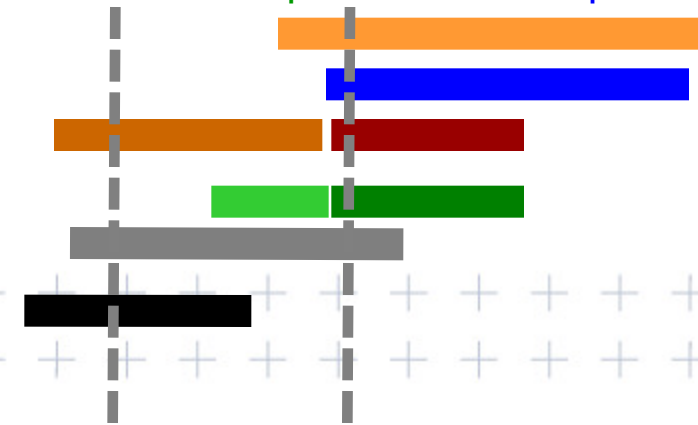
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property of aerosol dust: **mass concentration**

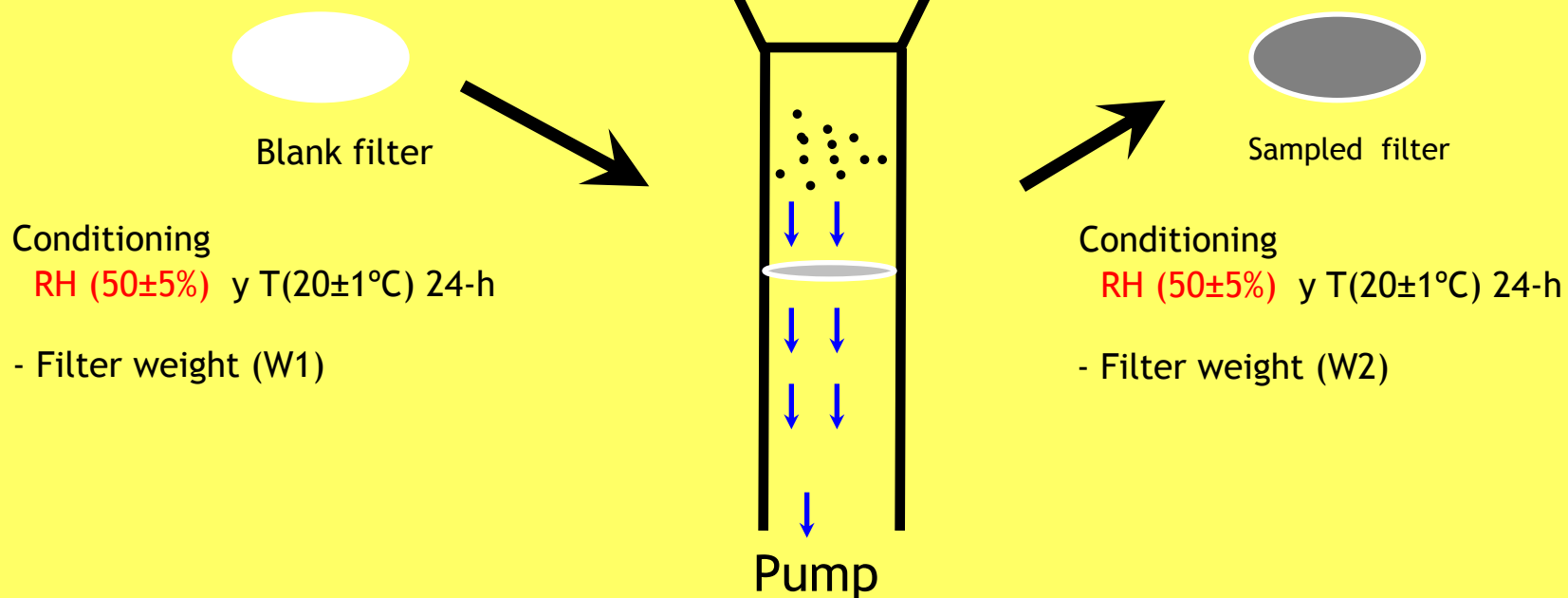
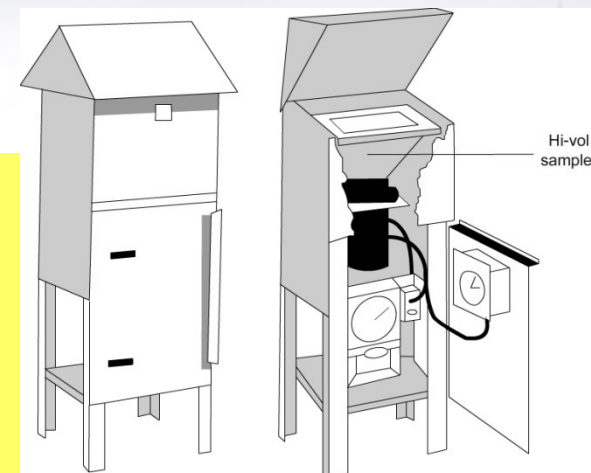
**bulk aerosol mass concentration**

1. Reference method: gravimetric method
2. Automated analyzers

# $PM_{10}$ and $PM_{2.5}$ measurements in air quality networks

## 1. Reference method: gravimetric method

$$PM = \frac{(W2 - W1)}{\text{Volume}} \quad \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$$



# Common Gravimetric Ambient Aerosol Sampling Techniques

- High volume methods: TSP,  $PM_{10}$ ,  $PM_{2.5}$
- Low volume methods: ( $PM_{10}$ ,  $PM_{2.5}$ ,  $PM_{Coarse}$ )



## Micro-Balance room



- Filters conditioning 48-h,  $HR=50\pm5\%$  and  $T=20\pm1^\circ\text{C}$
- balance, LVS resolution  $\geq 5$  digits ( $0.00001\text{g}$ )
- balance, HVS resolution  $\geq 6$  digits ( $0.000001\text{g}$ )

This sample filter is equilibrated at some set of thermodynamic conditions for a period of time before and after sampling. Through the use of a laboratory gravimetric balance, the difference in pre- and post-sample weights yields the PM mass collected. Knowing the volume of air passed through the filter allows the determination of the PM mass concentration.



## PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> measurements in air quality networks

### 1. Reference method: gravimetric method

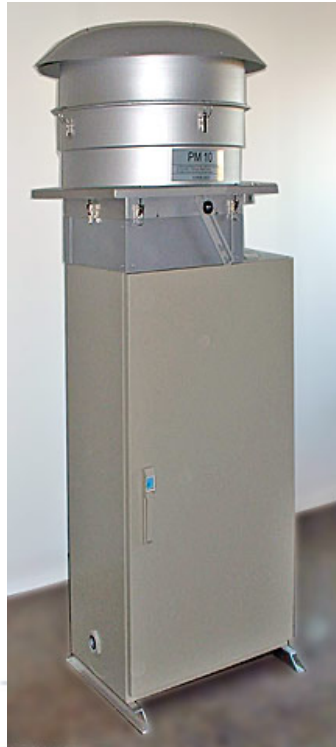
#### Low Volume Sampler

LVS: **2.3 m<sup>3</sup>/h**



#### High Volume Sampler

HVS: **68 m<sup>3</sup>/h**



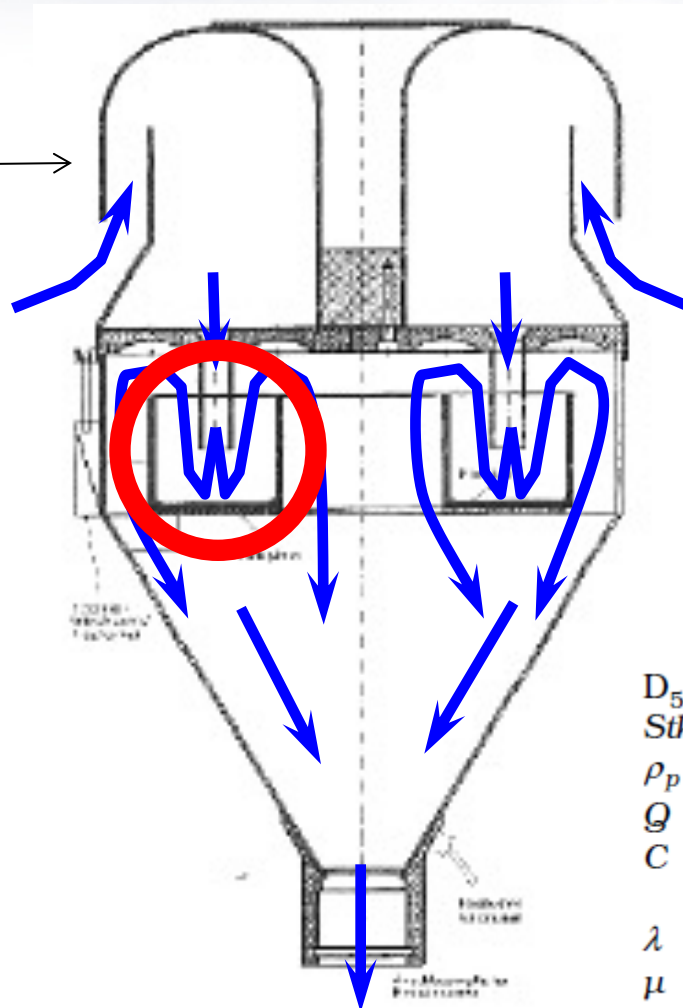
HVS: **30 m<sup>3</sup>/h**



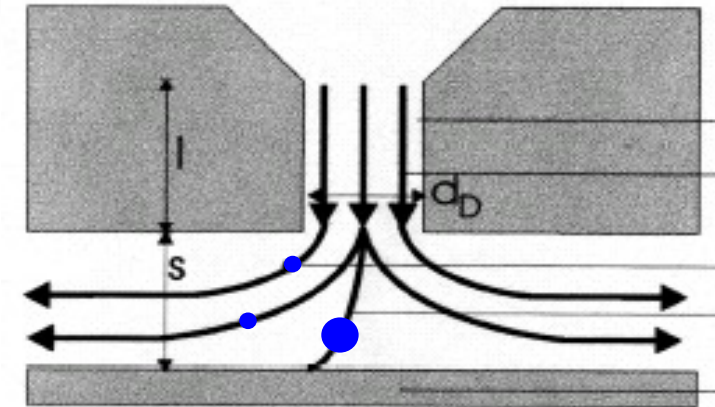


TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>1</sub>:

aerodynamic diameter (as the APS)



Filter



$$D_{50} = \sqrt{\frac{9\pi Stk \mu W^3}{4\rho_p CQ}}$$

$D_{50}$  = particle cut-point diameter centimeter

$Stk$  = Stokes number = 0.23

$\rho_p$  = particle density (g/cm<sup>3</sup>)

$Q$  = volumetric flow rate (cm<sup>3</sup>/s)

$C$  = Cunningham slip correction

$= 1 + 2.492 \lambda/D_{50} + 0.84 \lambda/D_{50} \exp(-0.435 D_{50}/\lambda)$

$\lambda$  = gas mean free path

$\mu$  = gas viscosity (dyne•s/cm<sup>2</sup>)

$W$  = nozzle diameter (cm)

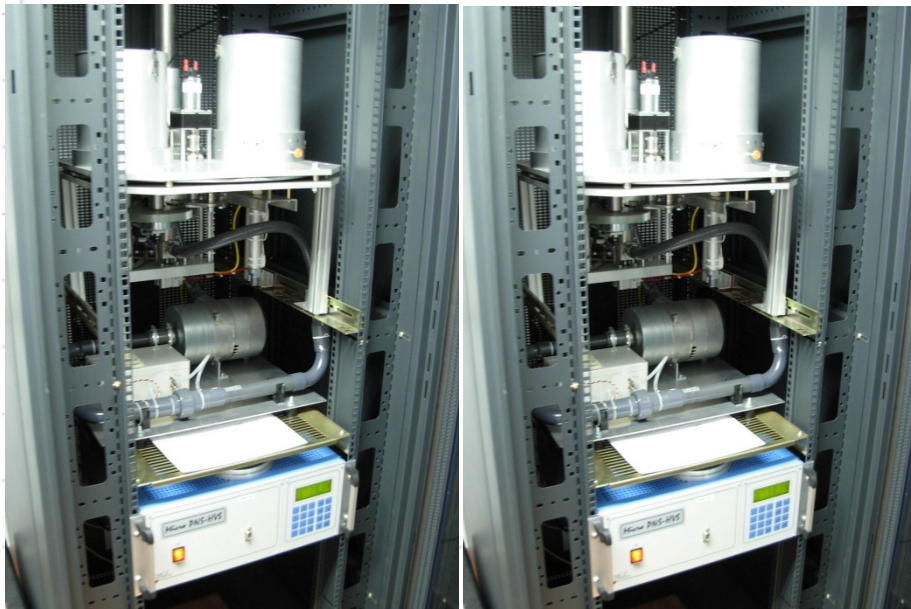
The Stokes number is a dimensionless parameter that characterizes impaction.

## Complete PM gravimetric method set-up at Izana Atmospheric Research Center

Weight filters conditioned room

$PM_{10}$

$PM_{2.5}$





# Common Gravimetric Ambient Aerosol Sampling Techniques

- Advantages: Recognized reference method, low capital cost
- Disadvantages: Limited time resolution (typically 24-hr), long turnaround times, labor intensive, and gravimetric lab maintenance/cost

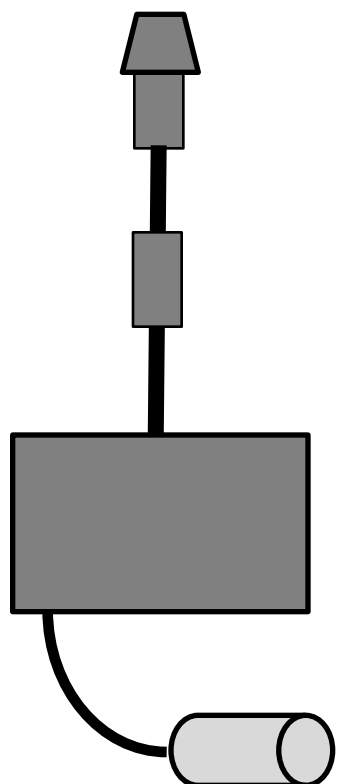
# Common Continuous Ambient Aerosol Sampling Techniques

$$(Dm / Dt) / (DV / Dt) = \text{mg/m}^3$$

- Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance
- Beta (Electron) Attenuation

## PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> measurements in air quality networks

### 2. Automated analyzers



1. Impactor PM<sub>10</sub> / PM<sub>2.5</sub>
2. RH reductor / heater
3. Sensor (Beta radiation attenuation or Tapered Oscillating microbalance-TEOM-) → instead of weighting filters
4. Pump / Flow meter

Continuous measurements of PM (PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>1</sub> or TSP)

## Mass concentration

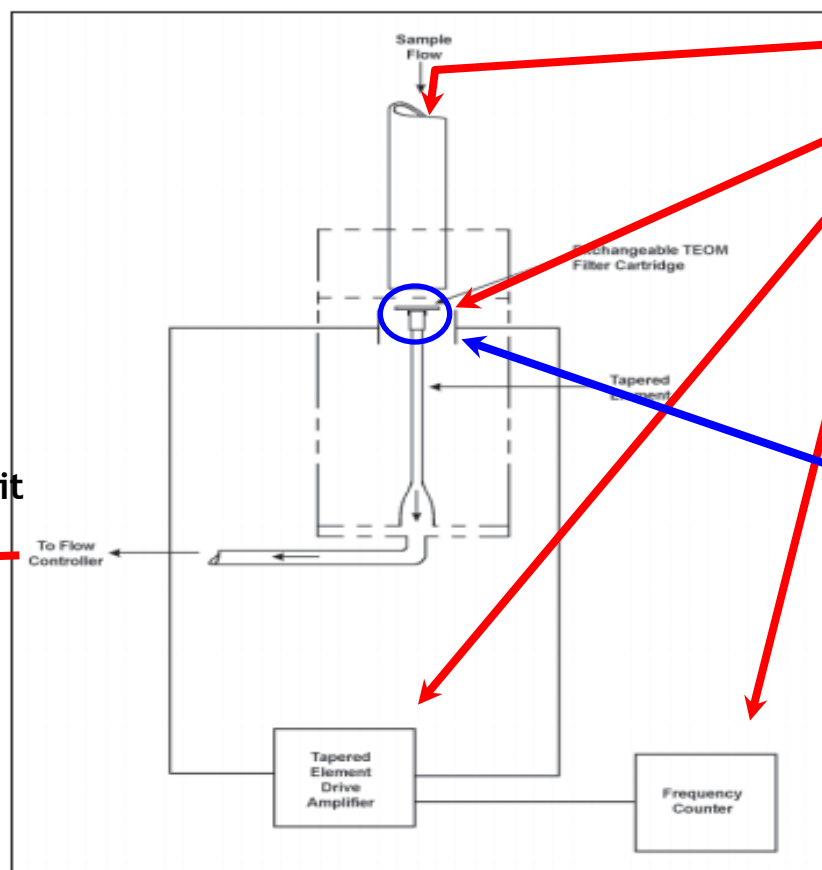
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TEOM :Tapped Element Oscillating Microbalance

### 1. TEOM mod.1400a

sensor

mass=function (frequency)



Sampling flow rate (16.67 l/m)

Sample accumulated in the filter

Micro-oscillation of constante amplitue  
GENERATOR

Frequency sensor

An increase in the amount of sample  
(dust) accumulated in the filter →  
decrease in the oscillation frequency

## Concentración en masa medidas automáticas en continuo

## TEOM-Microbalanza Oscilante

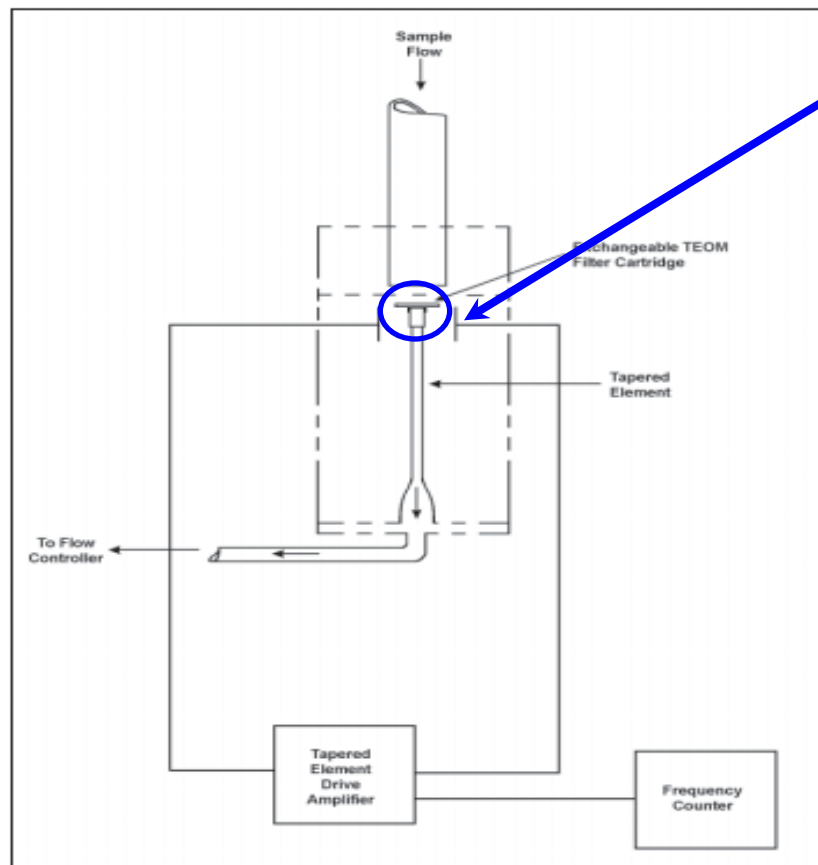
TEOM :Tappered Element Oscillating Microbalance

### 1. TEOM mod.1400a

sensor

mass=function (frequency)

more dust → lower oscillation frequency



In a spring-mass system the frequency follows the equation:

$$f = (K / M)^{0.5}$$

where:

$f$  = frequency (radians/sec)

$K$  = spring rate

$M$  = mass

$K$  and  $M$  are in consistent units. The relationship between mass and change in frequency can be expressed as:

$$\Delta m = K_0 \left( \frac{1}{f_1^2} - \frac{1}{f_0^2} \right) \quad (2)$$

where:

$\Delta m$  = change in mass

$K_0$  = spring constant (including mass conversions)

$f_0$  = initial frequency (Hz)

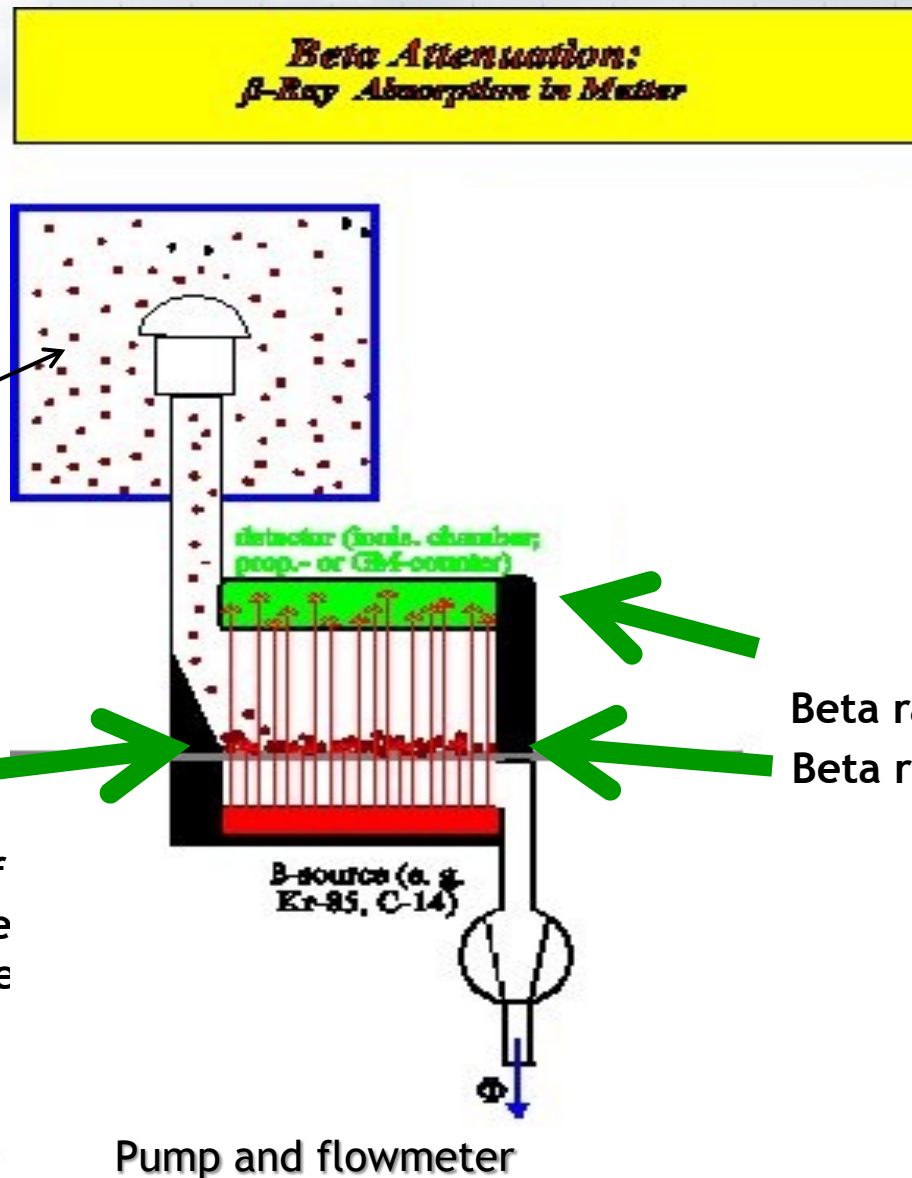
$f_1$  = final frequency (Hz)



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**Beta Attenuation:**  
 *$\beta$ -Ray Absorption in Matter*

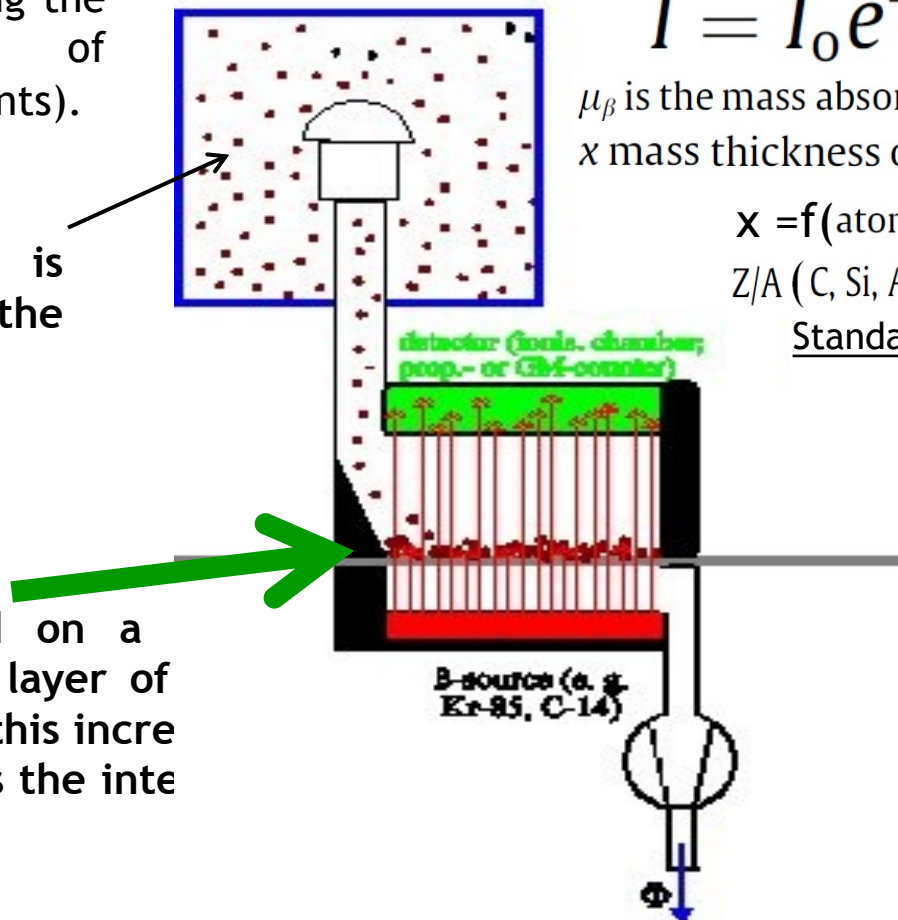
$$I = I_0 e^{-\mu_\beta \cdot x}$$

$\mu_\beta$  is the mass absorption coefficient for beta radiation  
 $x$  mass thickness of the sample

$x = f(\text{atomic number to atomic mass ratio } (Z/A))$   
 $Z/A$  (C, Si, Al, Ca, Fe, Mg, K, Cl, Na, N, O and S) 0.47–0.50

Standard foil calibration

typical elements of aerosols; fixed  $Z/A$  ratio: error of about 10%



Pump and flowmeter

## PM with Beta attenuation (2)

$$m = F_{cal} \ln \left( \frac{I_0}{I} \right)$$

- **m**: increasing particle mass [ $\mu\text{g}$ ]
- **F<sub>cal</sub>**: calibration factor
- **I<sub>0</sub>** beta ray intensity at empty filter
- **I** beta ray intensity at loaded filter

The intensities  $I_0$  and  $I$  are measured with the detector system.  $F_{cal}$  has to be measured directly during the calibration procedure. This is accomplished by replacing the filter with the element having a known mass (mass calibration kit)

The mass concentration is calculated from:

$$c = \frac{m}{Ft}$$

Where:

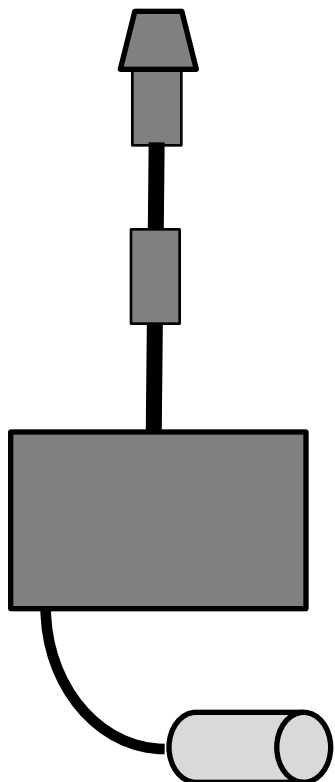
c: concentration [ $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ]

F: measured air flow [ $\text{m}^3/\text{h}$ ]

t: time [h]

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### 2. Automated analyzers



beta

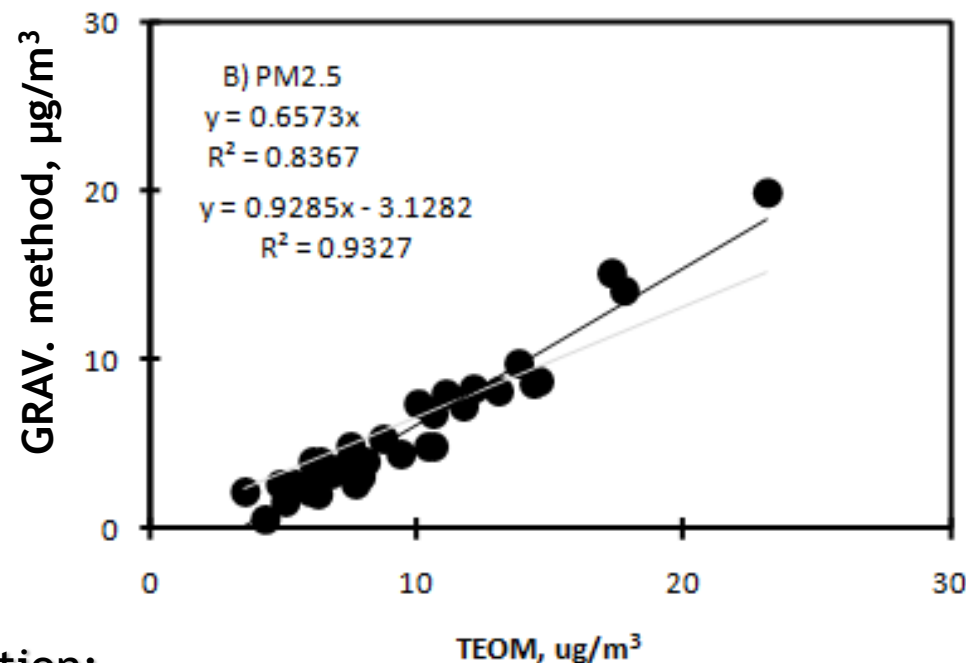
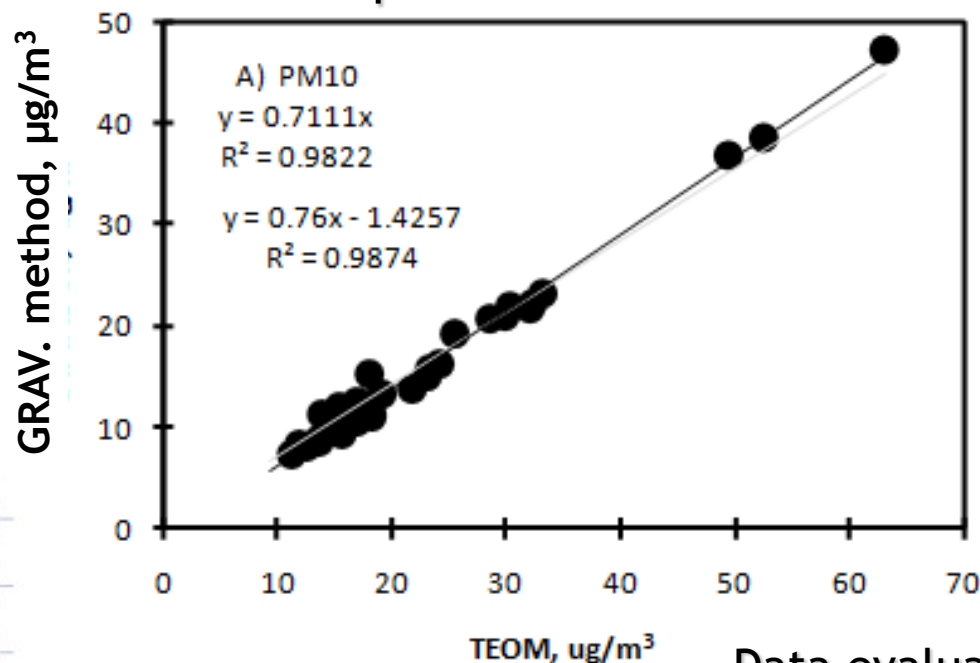


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## automatic versus the reference gravimetric method

Conversion of the 'automatic PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> ' data to GRAVIMETRIC EQUIVALENT data

### Intercomparisons



### Data evaluation:

Data from continuous analyzer are valid if they fit A or B:

A)  $Y = a \cdot X$ ;  $r^2 \geq 0.8$

B)  $Y = a \cdot X + b$ ;  $r^2 \geq 0.8$ ;  $\text{abs}(b) < 5$

Y= Reference Method (gravimetric method),

X= Automatic analyzer



## Common Continuous Ambient Aerosol Sampling Techniques

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### *Advantages*

- Continuous method
- Highly time resolved
- High resolution
- instantaneous turnaround
- Low operational cost

### *Disadvantages*

Temperature dependency:

- Volatile losses

- Seasonal and regional dependencies

- Affected by vibration

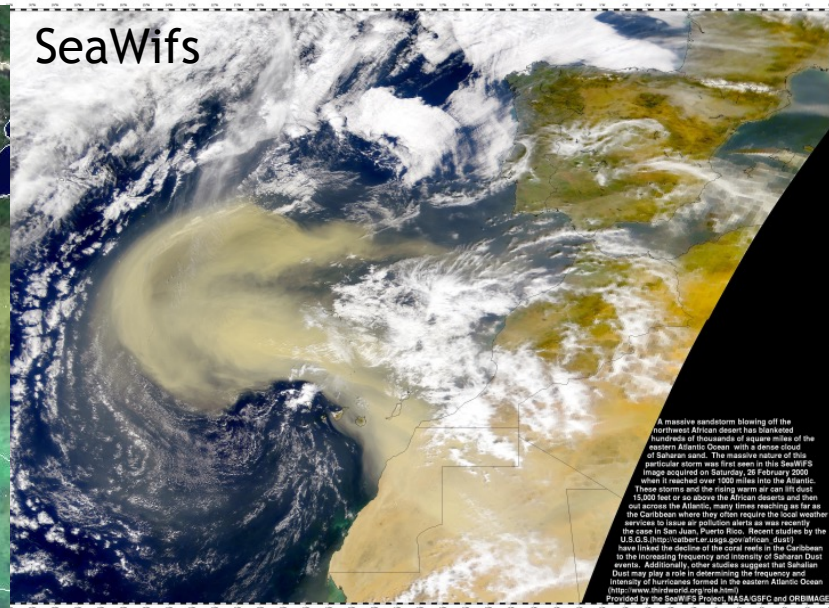
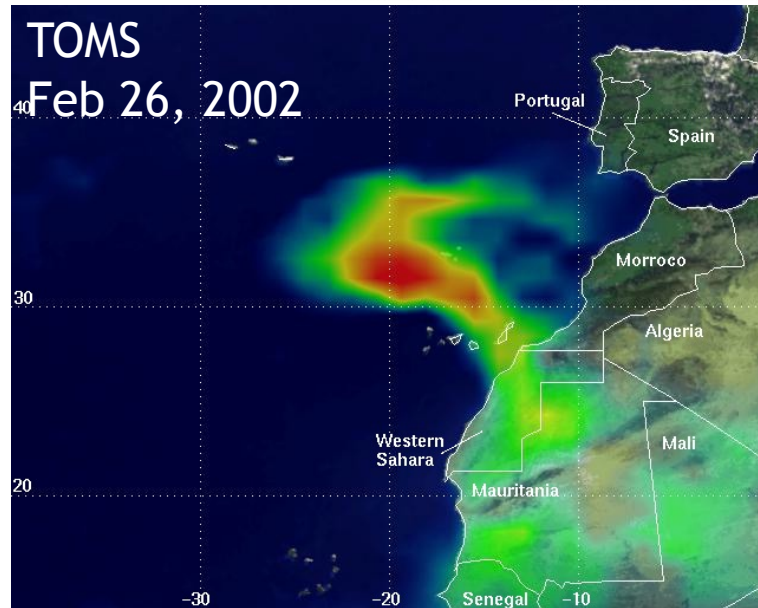
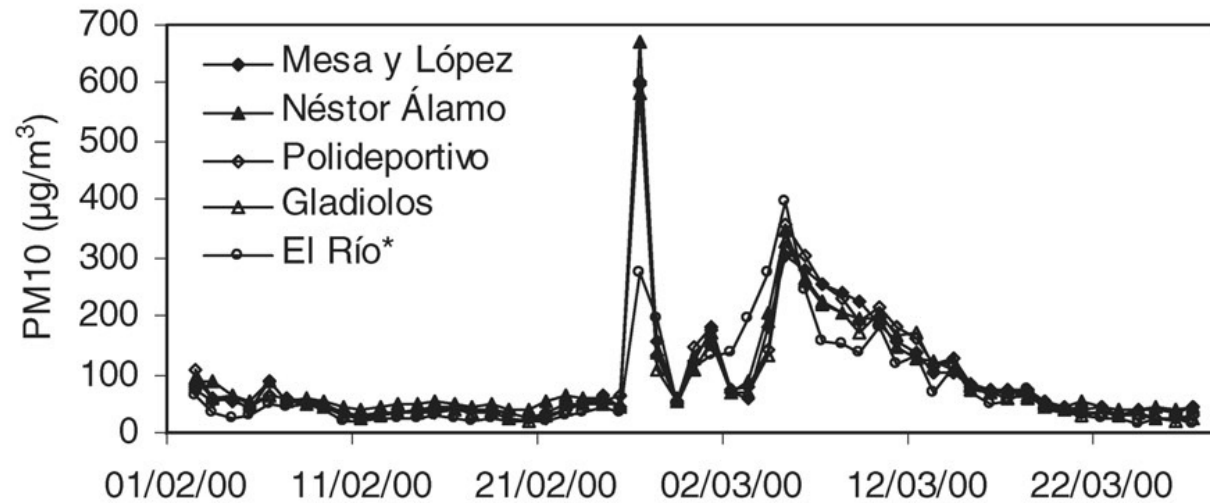
- Manual filter changes necessary

- Complex systems require some skill

- X2 or X3 capita cost

- Determination of Gravimetric Equivalent concentrations

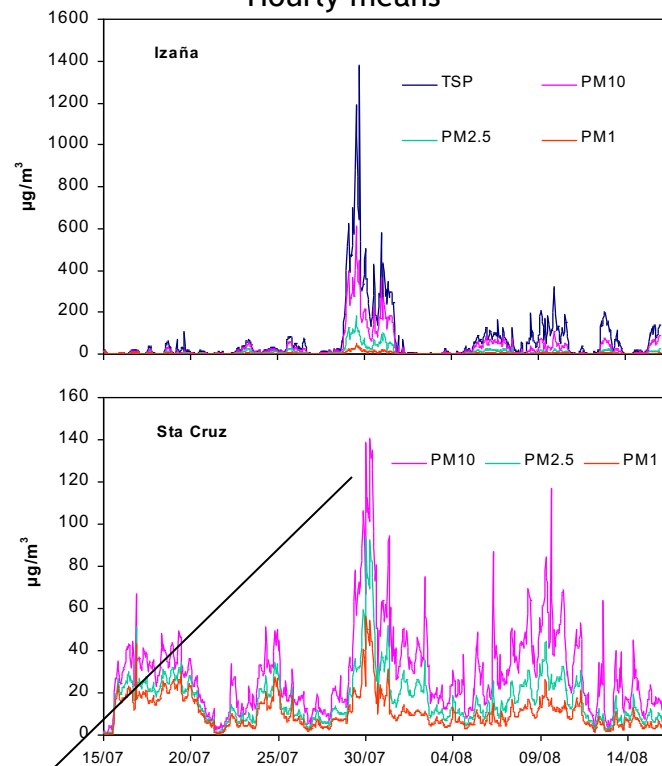
## Air quality stations at Tenerife Island



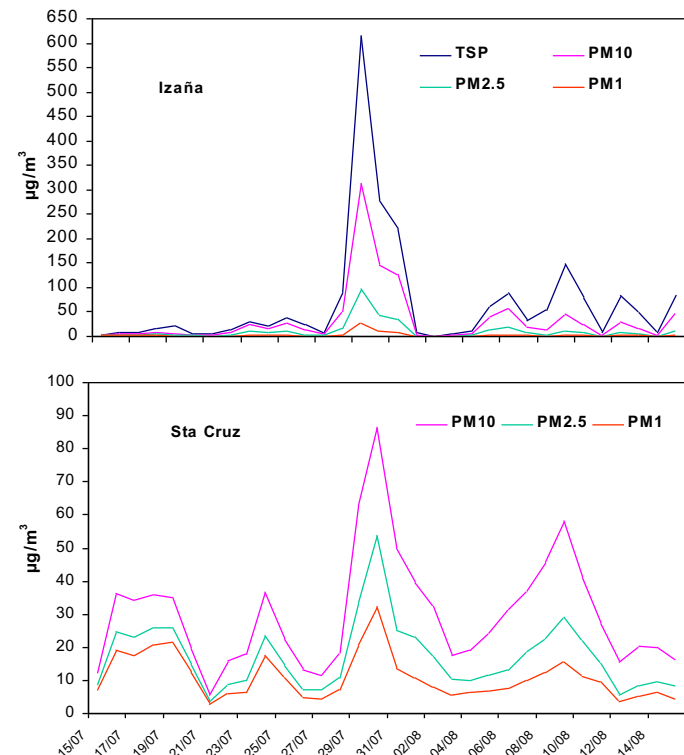
Viana et al., Atmospheric Environment, 2002

# In-situ measurements (PM)

## Hourly means



## Daily means







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property of aerosol dust: **mass concentration**

bulk aerosol mass concentration

**bulk dust mass concentration**

## bulk dust mass concentration

### method-1 : filter ash (J.M. Prospero)

step-1: samples collected on filters are extracted with de-ionized water and the extracts are analyzed for major soluble inorganic ions:

- Na<sup>+</sup> by flame atomic absorption
- Cl<sup>-</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> and SO<sub>4</sub><sup>=</sup> by suppressed ion chromatography
- NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> by automated colorimetry

step-2: then, non sea salt sulfate is calculated using the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>=</sup>/Na<sup>+</sup> ratio in bulk sea water (0.2517).

$$\text{sea salt} = \text{Na}^+ + \text{ss-SO}_4^= (0.2517 \cdot \text{Na}^+)$$

step-3: the extracted filters are then placed in a muffle furnace for 14-h (overnight) at 500° C. The ash residue weight.

$$\text{bulk dust} = \frac{\text{weight ash residue}}{\text{volume of sampled air}} \times 1.3$$

normalization: Al accounts for 8% of dust

this technique may underestimate dust concentrations because of the loss of soluble minerals (carbonates, halides).

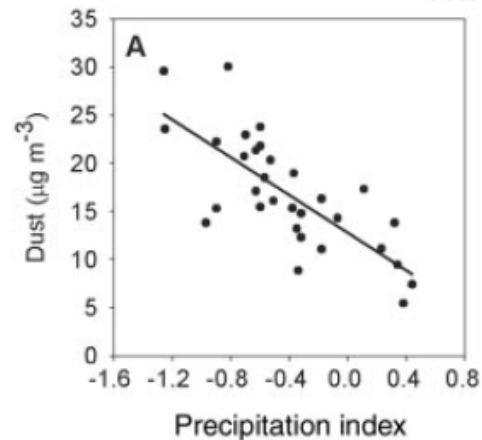
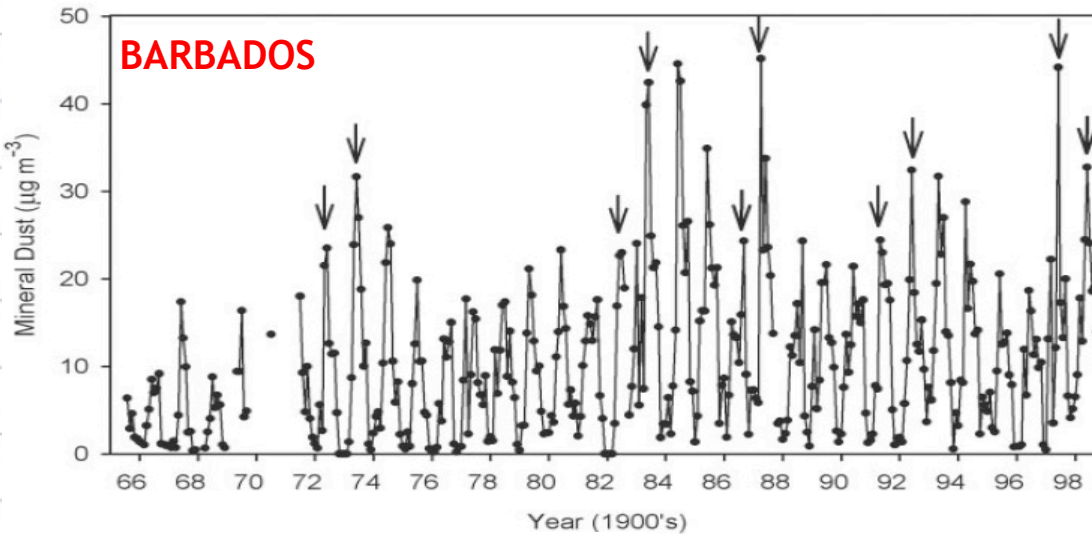
-standard error is considered:  $\pm 0.1 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  for concentrations  $< 1 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$   
10% for higher concentrations.





## method-1 : filter ash (J.M. Prospero)

Longest records of dust: since 1964

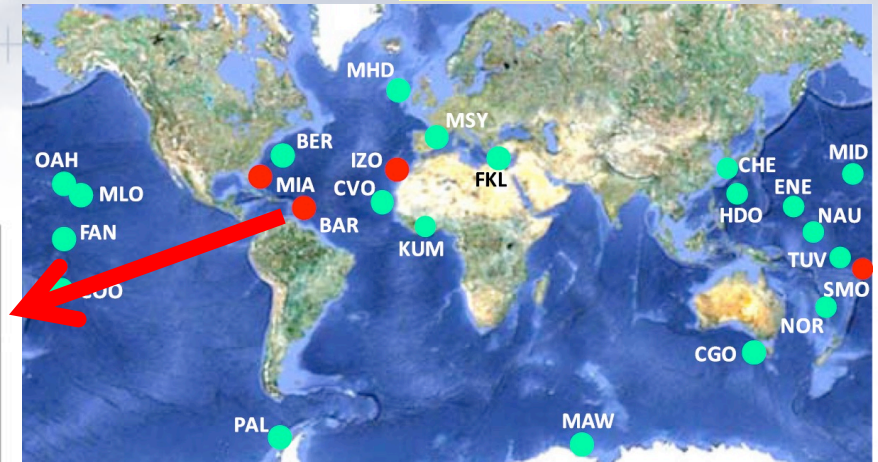


(A) Dust plotted against the prior-year

## African Droughts and Dust Transport to the Caribbean: Climate Change Implications

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A review of methods for long term in situ characterization of aerosol dust

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## **bulk dust mass concentration** **method-2: tracer analysis**

In a filter with the dust sample, one or more dust tracer are analysed by chemical methods, and then total dust is calculated using the mean proportion of that element in dust:

$$\text{Al (8\% of soil)} \longrightarrow \text{dust} = \text{Al} \cdot (100/8) \quad \text{Eq-1}$$

$$\text{Si (33\% of soil)} \longrightarrow \text{dust} = \text{Si} \cdot (100/33) \quad \text{Eq-2}$$

ratio element / oxide

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| <b>Na2O</b>  | 0.47 |
| <b>MgO</b>   | 0.43 |
| <b>Al2O3</b> | 1.89 |
| <b>SiO2</b>  | 5.98 |
| <b>K2O</b>   | 0.38 |
| <b>CaO</b>   | 0.62 |
| <b>TiO2</b>  | 0.09 |
| <b>Fe2O3</b> | 0.88 |

stoichiometry

$$\text{dust} = 0.47 \cdot \text{Na} + 0.43 \cdot \text{Mg} + 1.89 \cdot \text{Al} + 5.98 \cdot \text{Si} + 0.38 \cdot \text{K} + 0.62 \cdot \text{Ca} + 0.88 \cdot \text{Fe} + 0.09 \cdot \text{Ti} \quad \text{Eq-3}$$

**Can be applied with elements with low enrichment factor!!!!**



## bulk dust mass concentration

### method-2: tracer analysis

|           | Mean ratio to Al in soil |               |
|-----------|--------------------------|---------------|
|           | Mason (1966)             | Taylor (1964) |
| <b>Na</b> | 0.34809                  | 0.28676       |
| <b>Mg</b> | 0.25707                  | 0.28311       |
| <b>Al</b> | 1.00000                  | 1.00000       |
| <b>Si</b> | 3.40959                  | 3.42041       |
| <b>K</b>  | 0.31857                  | 0.25395       |
| <b>Ca</b> | 0.44649                  | 0.50425       |
| <b>Ti</b> | 0.05412                  | 0.06926       |
| <b>Fe</b> | 0.61501                  | 0.68408       |
| <b>P</b>  | 0.01292                  | 0.01276       |
| <b>Mn</b> | 0.01169                  | 0.01154       |
| <b>Sr</b> | 0.00456                  | 0.00461       |
| <b>S</b>  | 0.00316                  | 0.00320       |
| <b>V</b>  | 0.00166                  | 0.00164       |
| <b>Cl</b> | 0.00160                  | 0.00158       |
| <b>Cr</b> | 0.00123                  | 0.00122       |
| <b>Ni</b> | 0.00092                  | 0.00091       |
| <b>Zn</b> | 0.00086                  | 0.00085       |
| <b>Cu</b> | 0.00068                  | 0.00067       |

$$\text{EF- Enrichment Factor (X)} = \frac{(X / \text{Al})_{\text{sample}}}{(X / \text{Al})_{\text{soil}}}$$

EF (X) = 1      ➡ element X is due to soil emissions

EF (X) >> 1      ➡ there is an additional contribution to element X from other sources.  
Then, do not include X in Eq-3.

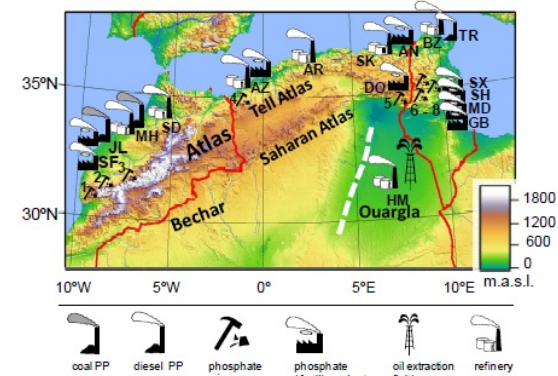
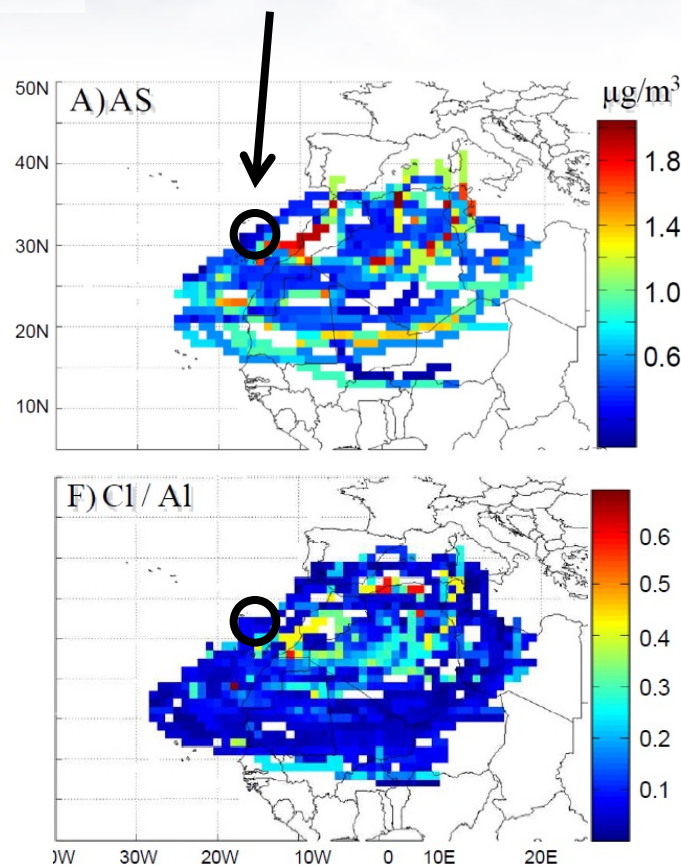


## bulk dust mass concentration method-2: tracer analysis

Izaña - Tenerife

|    | EF    |
|----|-------|
| Al | 1.00  |
| Ca | 0.97  |
| K  | 0.72  |
| Na | 0.31  |
| Mg | 0.78  |
| Fe | 0.85  |
| S  | 35.71 |
| Cl | 77.70 |
| P  | 0.70  |
| Ni | 0.56  |

Izaña: measurement site



S and Cl<sup>-</sup> emitted  
by industry mixed  
with dust

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**chemical composition**

mixing state

mineralogy

optical properties

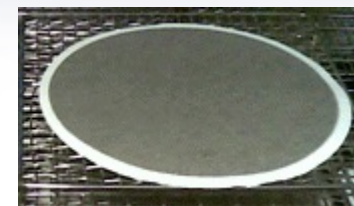
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### Saharan dust



### Urban particles



PM ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) = dust + ions ( $\text{SO}_4^{=}$ ,  $\text{NO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{NH}_4^+$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ) + OC + EC + trace elements

### Elemental Composition:

Major elements (Al, Si, Ca, K, Na, Mg) + trace elements (P, Li, Be, Sc, Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Ga, Ge, As, Se, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, Mo, Cd, Sn, Sb, Cs, Ba, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, Lu, Hf, Ta, W, Tl, Pb, Bi, Th, U)

ICP-AES, IPC-MS : destructive techniques

XRF, PIXE, INAA: none destructive techniques

Ions:  $\text{SO}_4^{=}$ ,  $\text{NO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{NH}_4^+$ ,  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ : Ion Chromatography, ICP-AES, ICP-MS, selective electrodes and colorimetry : destructive techniques

OC, EC: TOR or TOT : destructive techniques

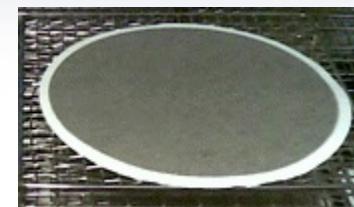
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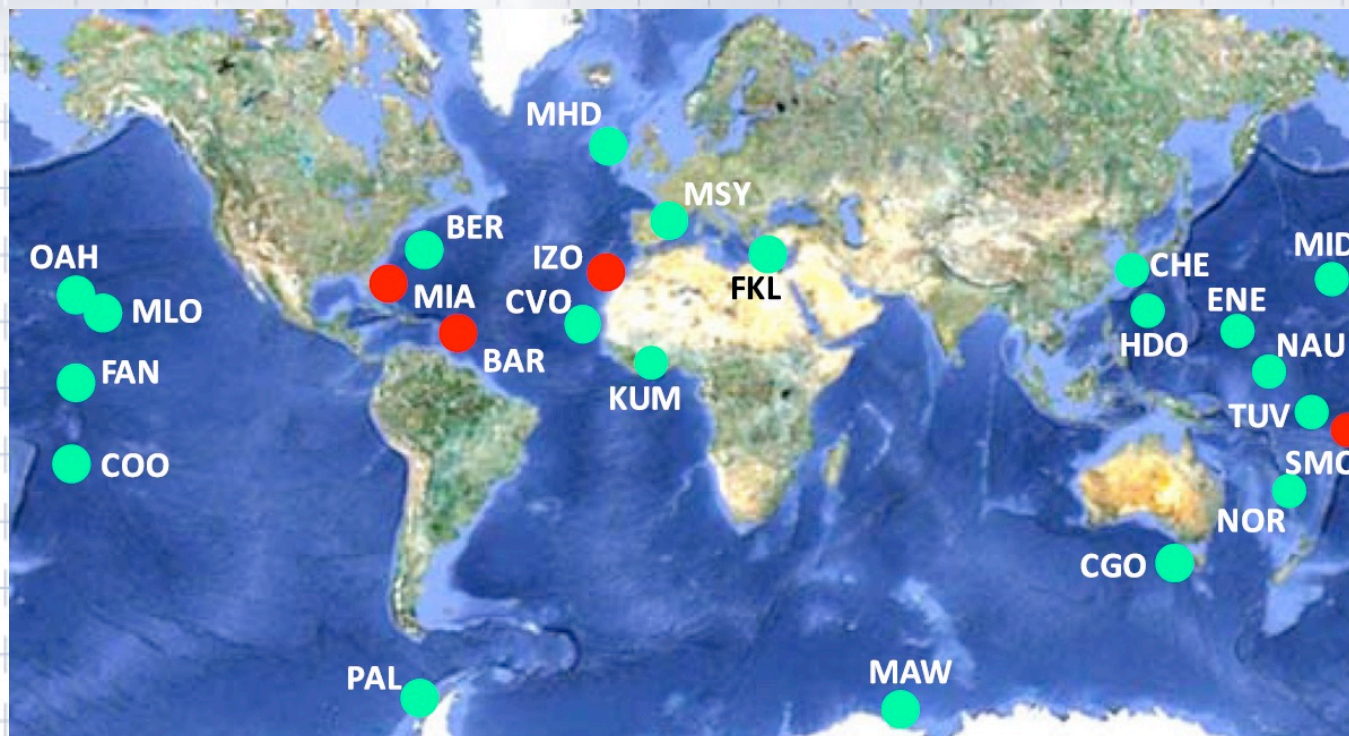




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bulk chemical composition is the most reliable technique for quantifying the concentration of dust and other species (if present, e.g. pollutants, sea salt).

**This is considered a reference method for the quantification of dust.**

Other analytical techniques are available. Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) and Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) coupled with Energy Dispersive X-ray analysis (EDX) allows individual particle characterization for size, morphology, chemical and mineral composition.



-  at least 4 years
-  Active during the last 20 years

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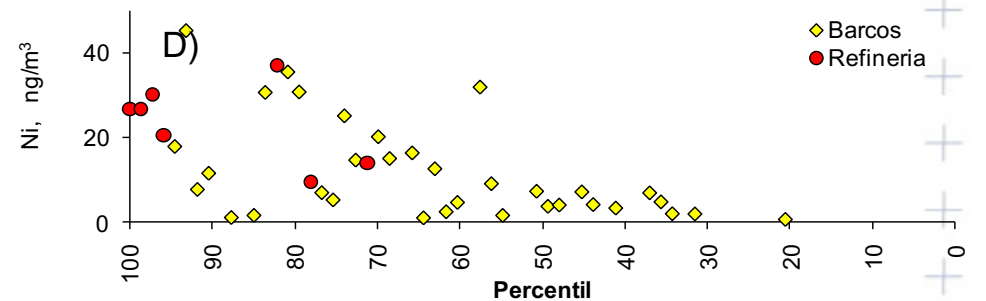
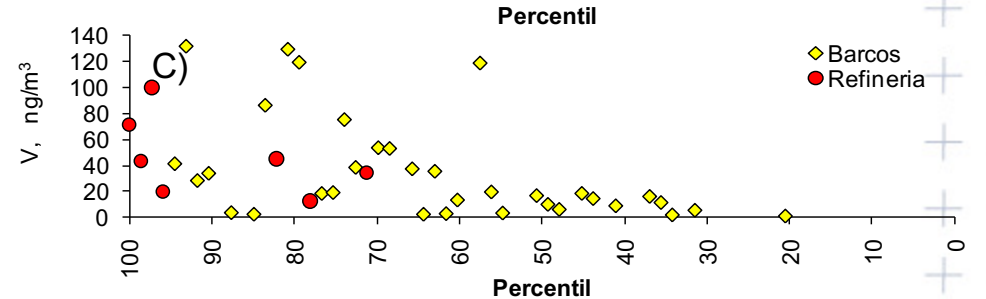
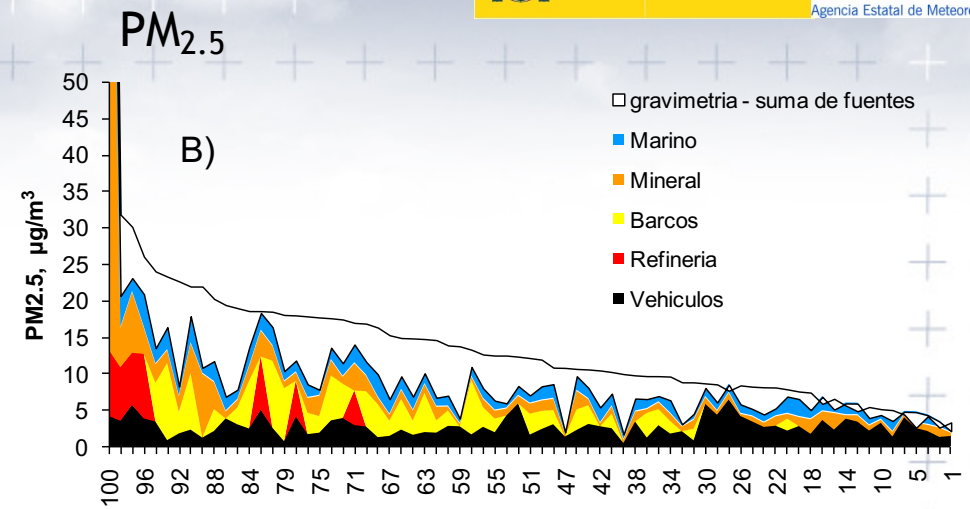
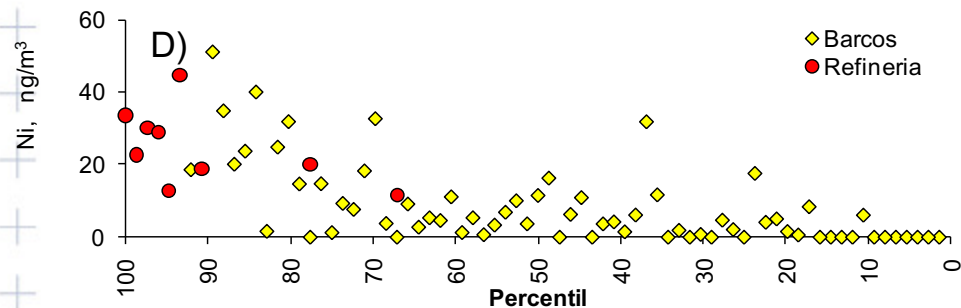
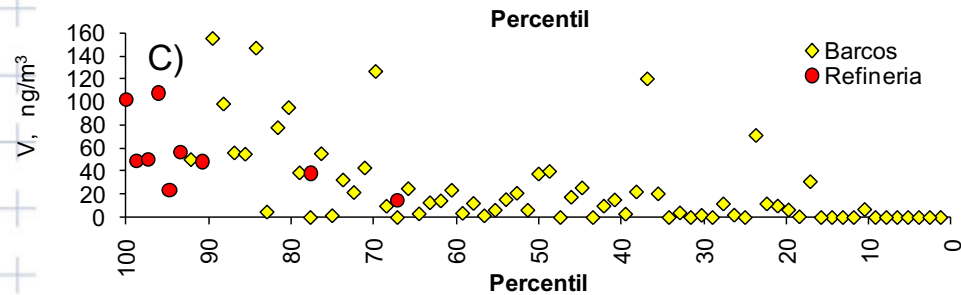
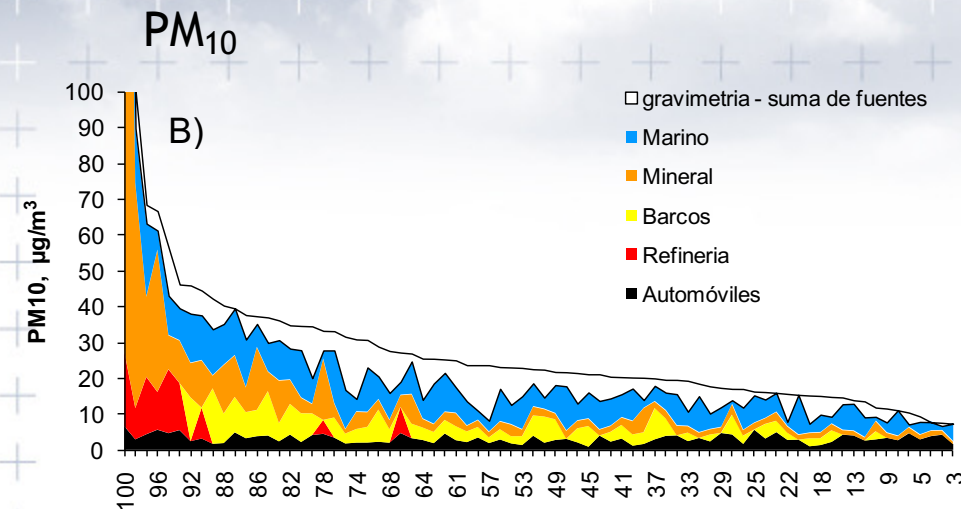
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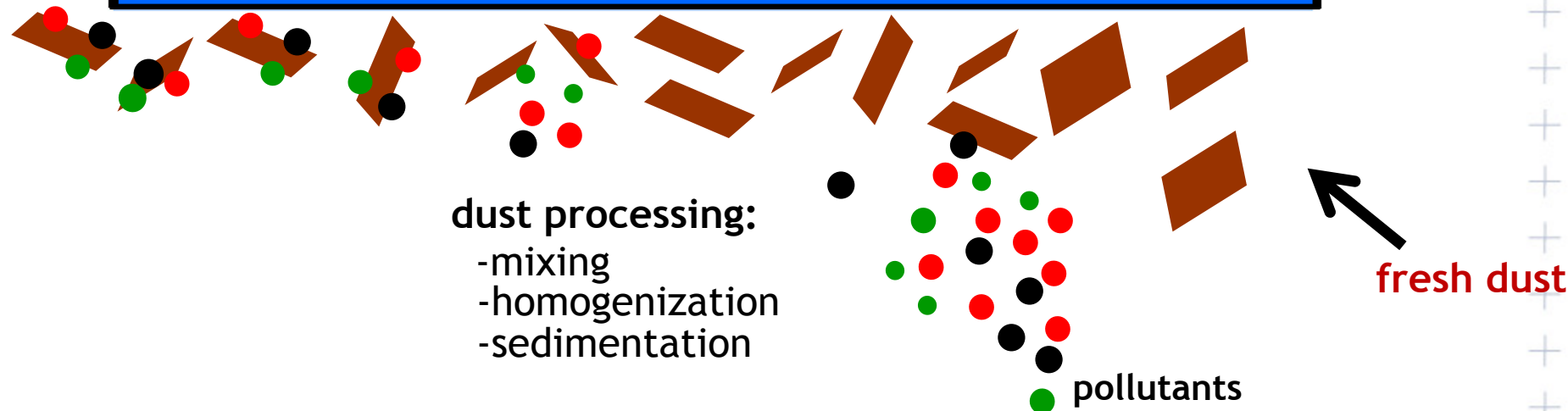
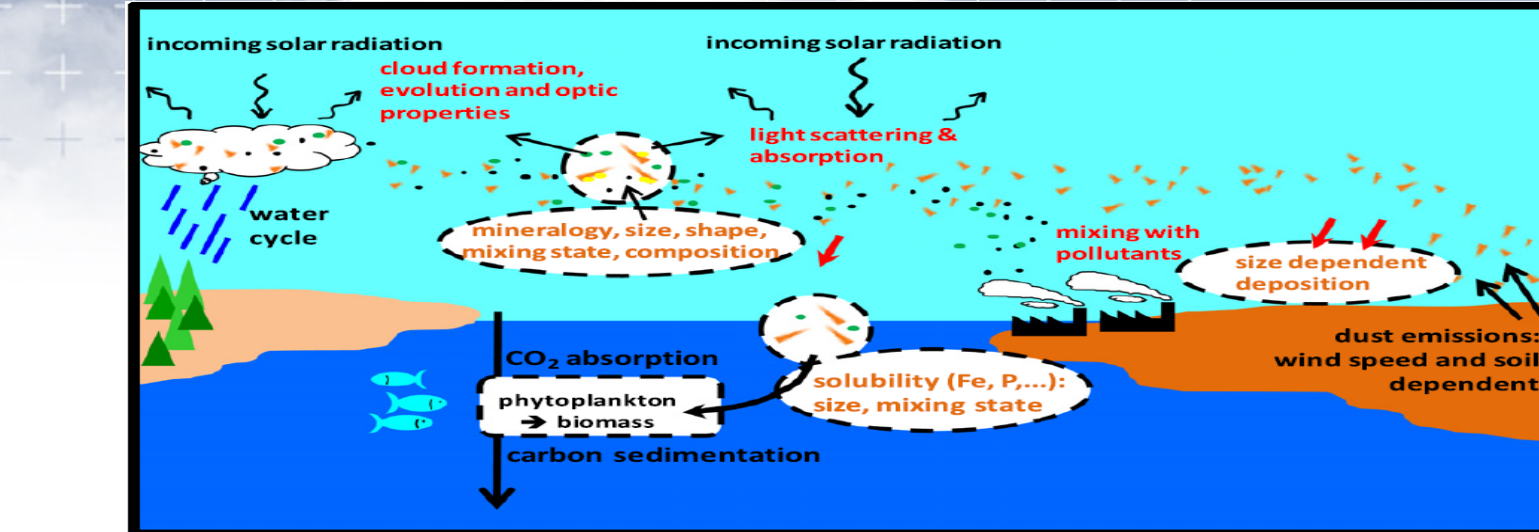
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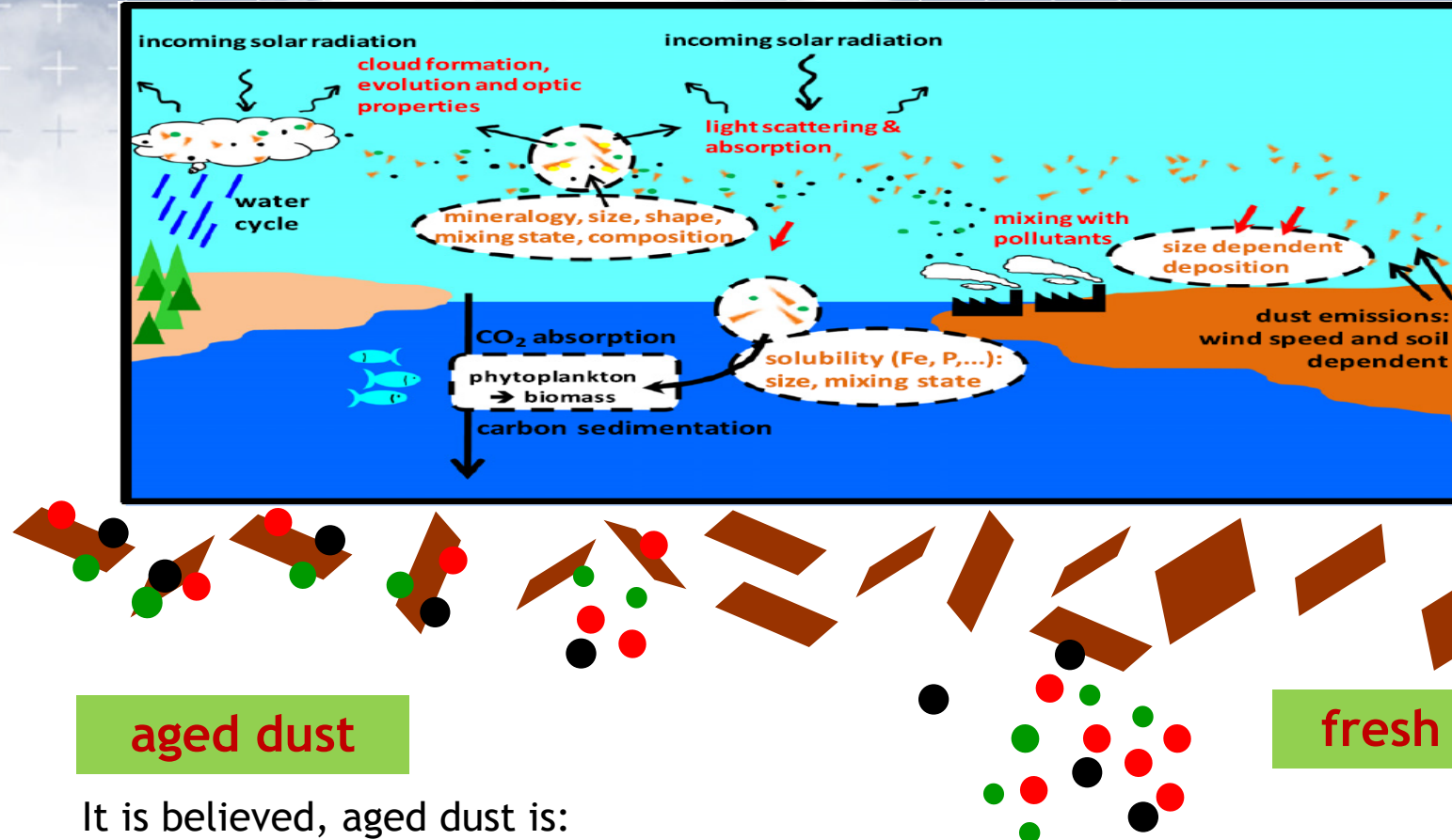
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**internal mixing:**  
all particles the same composition  
(same mixing)

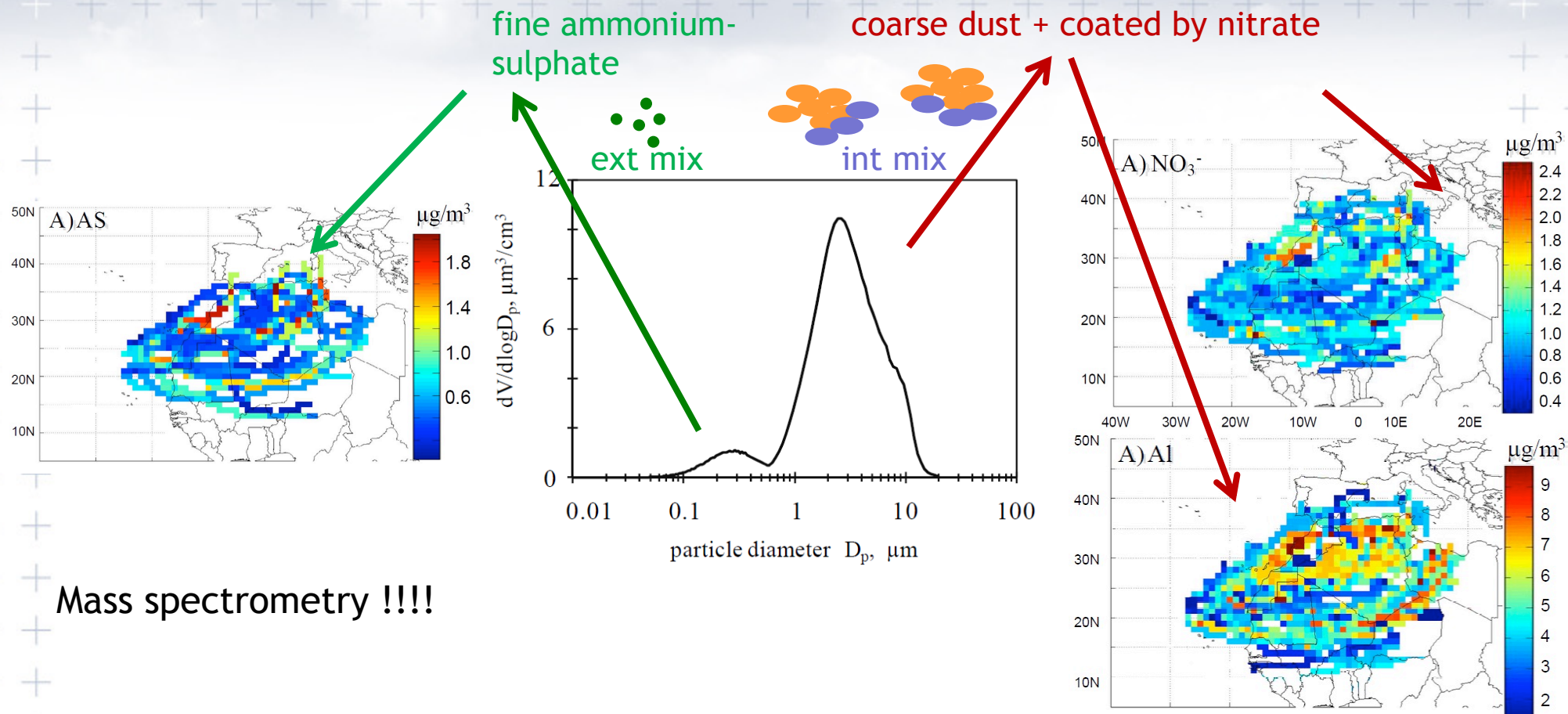
**external mixing:**  
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It is believed, aged dust is:

- more soluble
- different refractive index





Mass spectrometry !!!!

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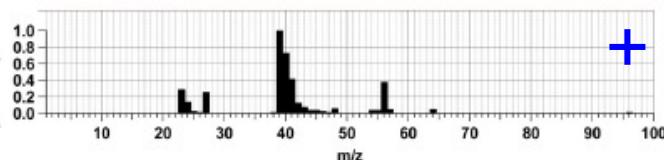
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Aerosol Time Of Flight Mass Spectrometer (ATOFMS)

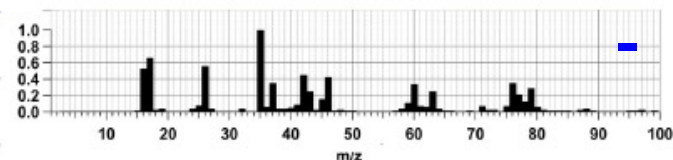
-aerodynamic size of particles (0.3 - 1  $\mu\text{m}$ )

-chemical composition of individual particles

→ positive and negative ion mass spectrums of a single particle.



+ m/z: 27 (Al), 40 and 56 (Ca).....



- m/z: -97 ( $\text{HSO}_4^-$ ), -80 ( $\text{SO}_3^-$ ), -62 ( $\text{NO}_3^-$ ).....

The mass spectrum is qualitative in that the intensities of the mass spectral peaks are not directly proportional to the component mass but are dependent on the particle matrix.

Not for long term measurements

The ATOFMS can supply quantitative information on particle number as a function of composition, providing measurements of all the particle components (including OC, EC, sulfate, nitrate, dust and sea salt)



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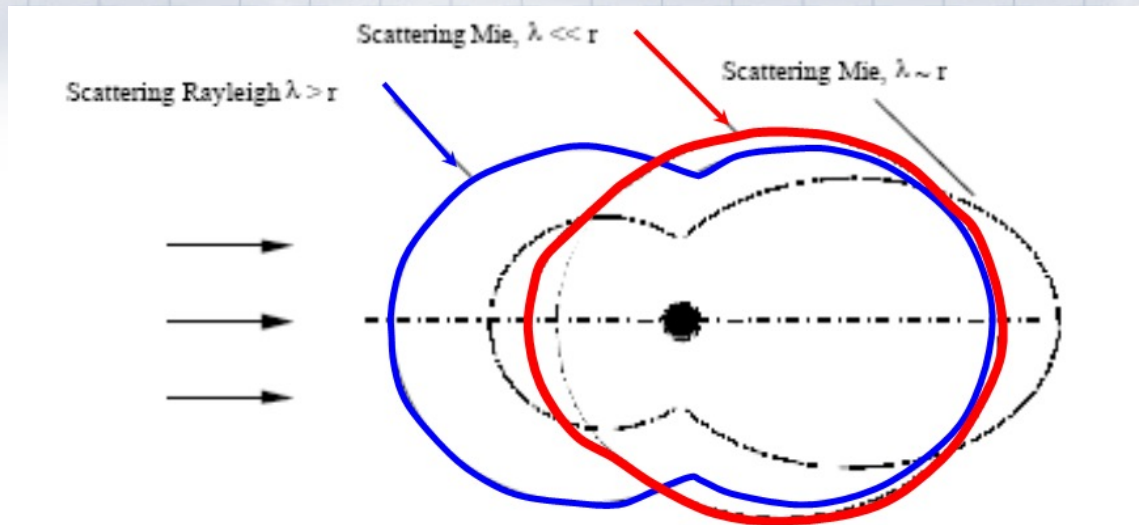
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**optical properties**

# optical properties

## Redistribution of radiation depends on:

- particle size  
forward scattering increase with particle size
- composition and mineralogy  
mixing with pollutants  
absorbing minerals (iron oxides)





## optical properties

2 basic optical properties:

scattering and backscattering coefficient (several  $\lambda$ )

absorption coefficient (several  $\lambda$ )

$$I = I_0 \cdot e^{-\sigma_{ep} \cdot L}$$

$$\sigma_{ep} = \sigma_{ap} + \sigma_{sp}$$

$\sigma_{ep}$  aerosol extinction coefficient

$\sigma_{ap}$  aerosol absorption coefficient : Absorption Photometer

(MAAP, Aethalometer, PSAP)

$\sigma_{ap}$  aerosol scattering coefficient: **NEPHELOMETER**

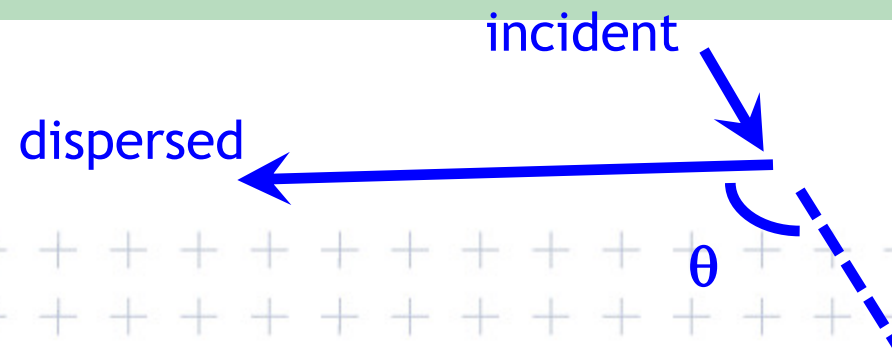
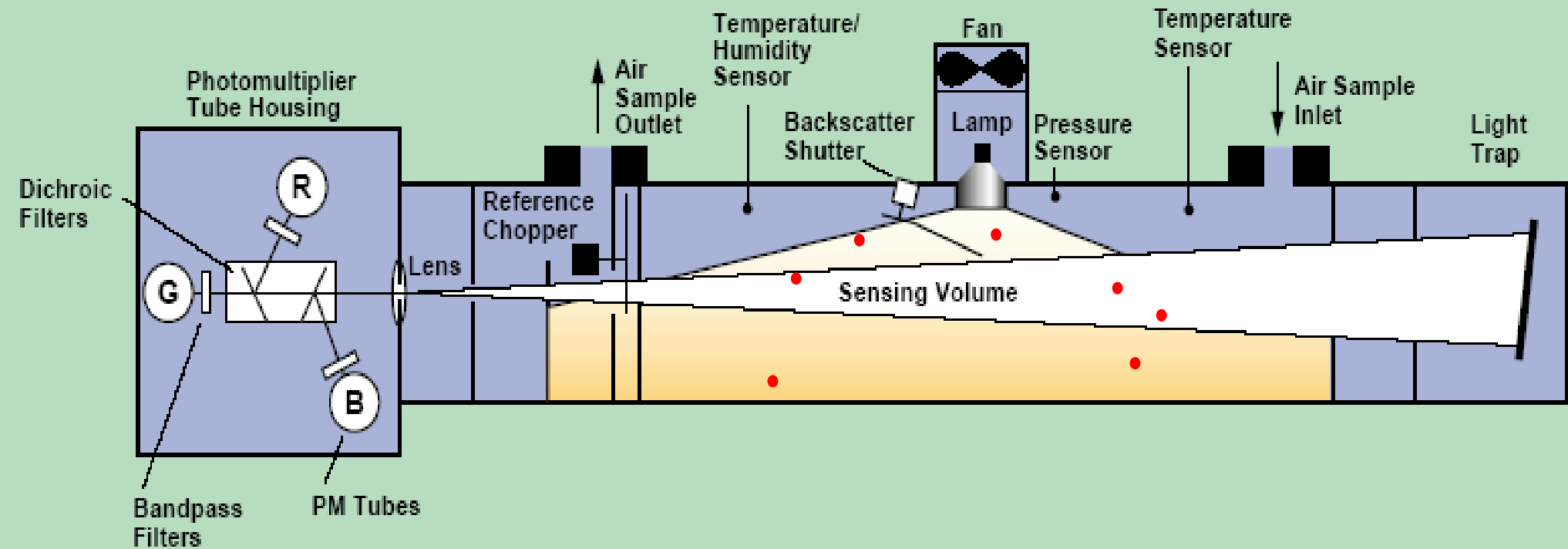
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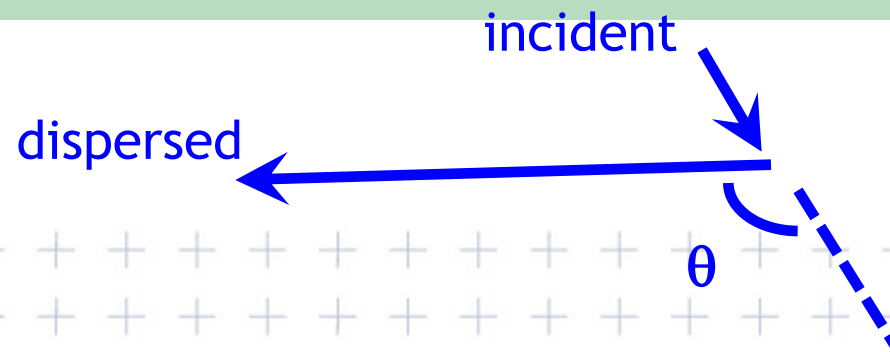
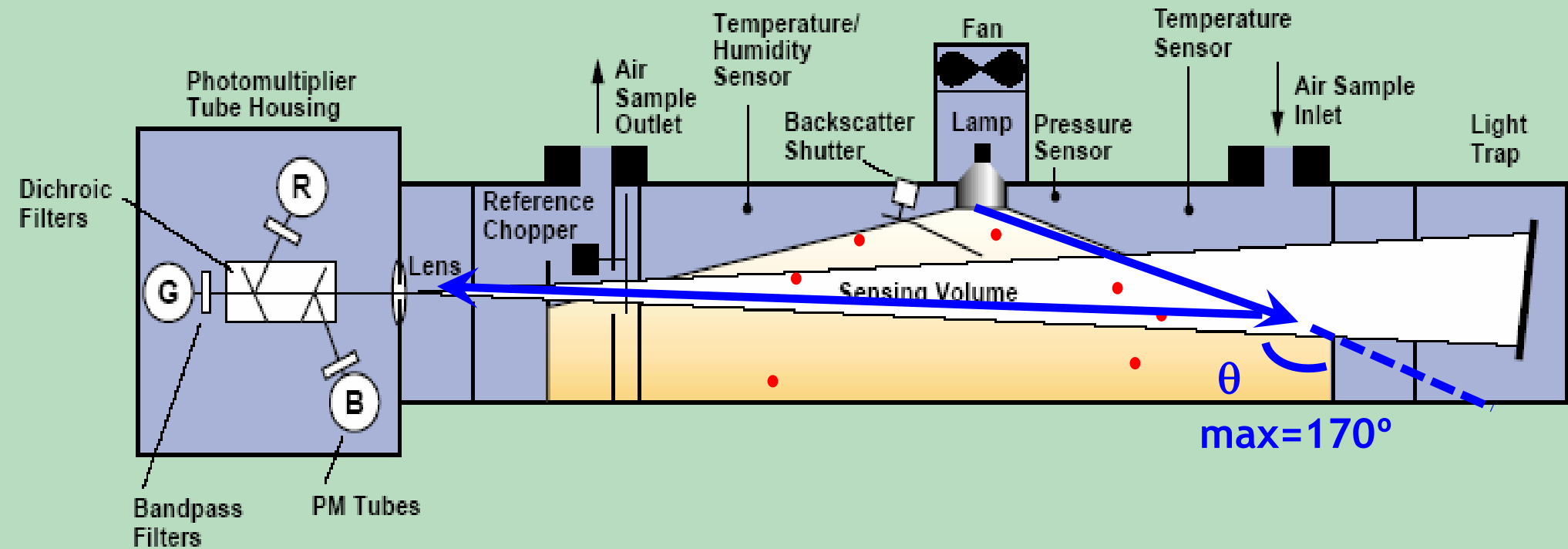
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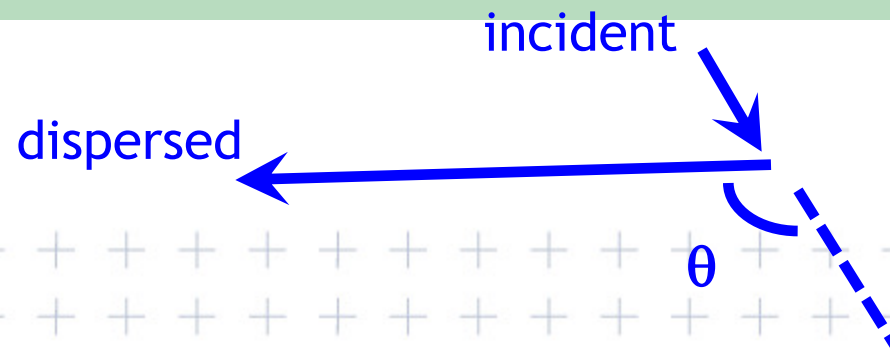
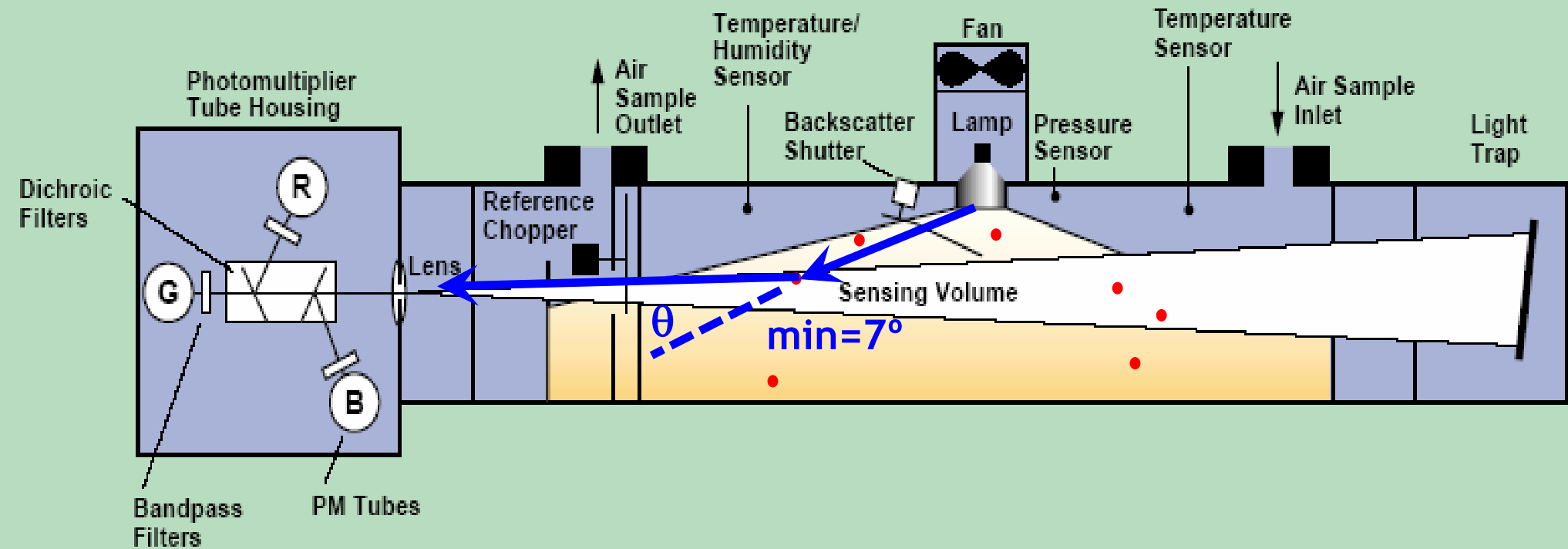


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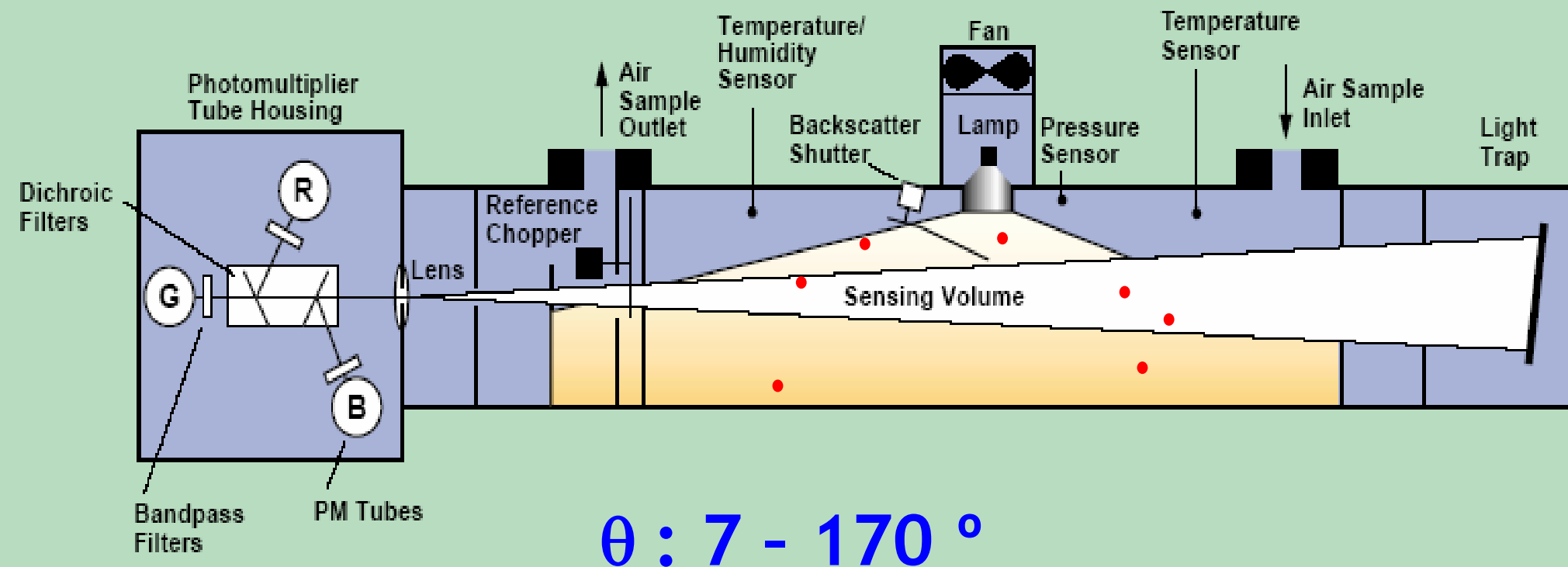




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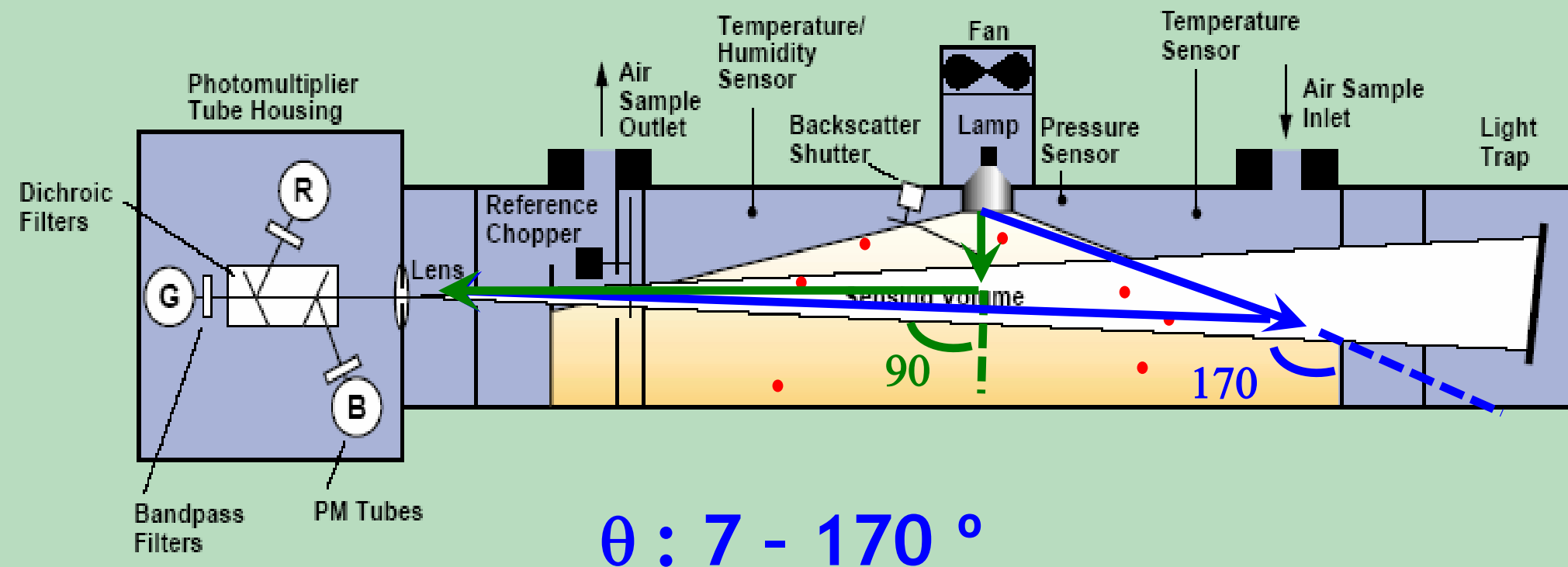
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## Integrating nephelometer

**Scattering Coeficiente 7 - 170 °**

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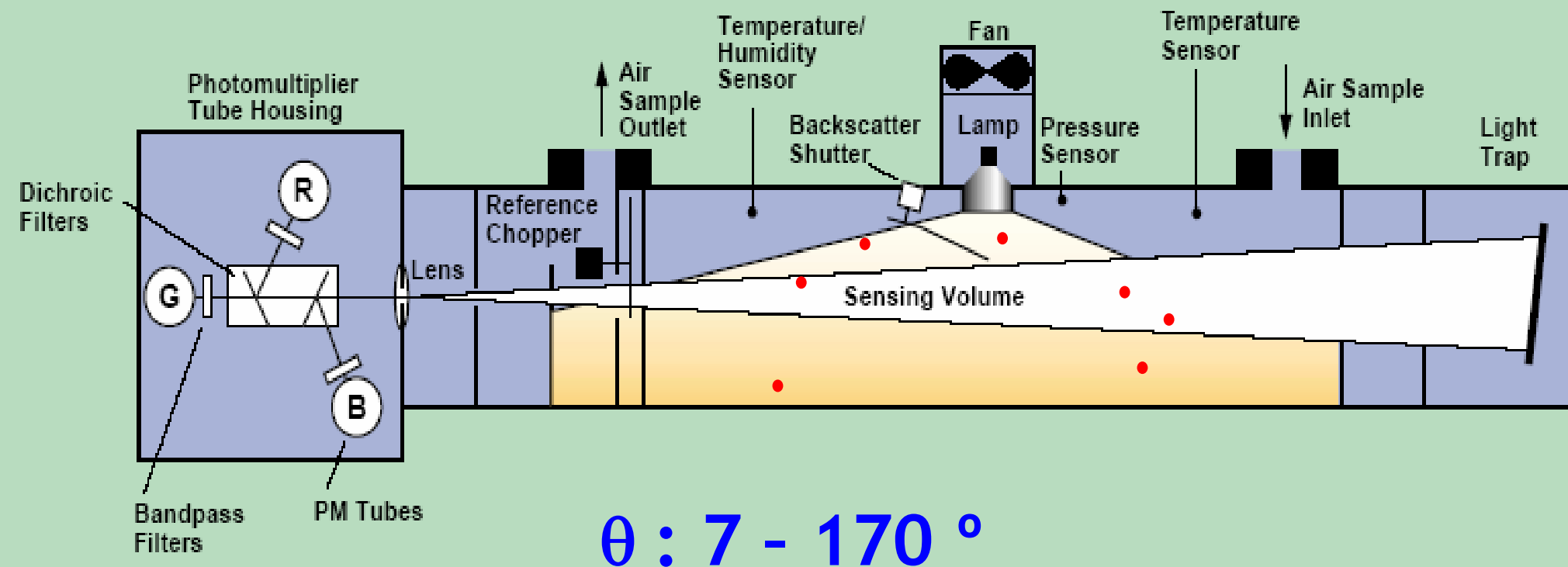


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**Coeficiente backscattering total 90 - 170 °**

## Integrating Nephelometer **coeficiente de scattering**



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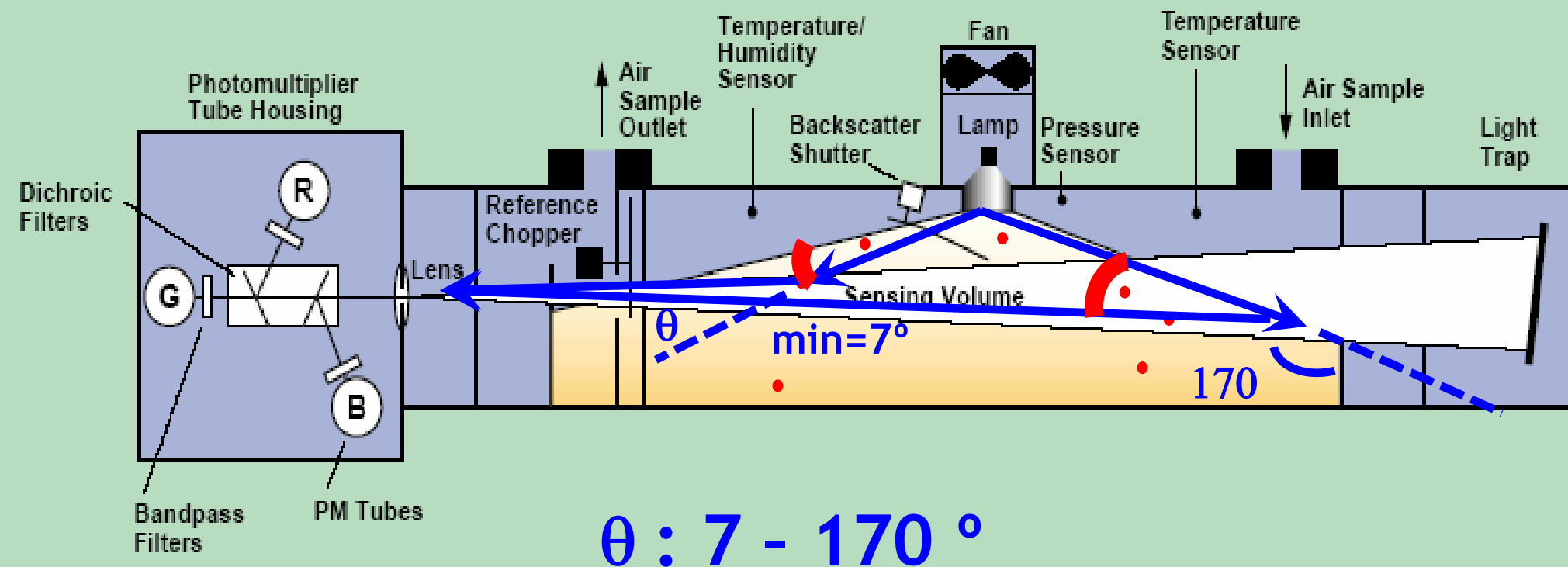
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$\lambda = 450, 550, 700 \text{ nm}$



## Integrating Nephelometer: CORRECCIÓN POR TRUNCAMIENTO



coeficiente scattering total  $7 - 170^\circ$

Truncation error: light dispersed within the angles  $0-7^\circ$  y  $170-180^\circ$  is not measured

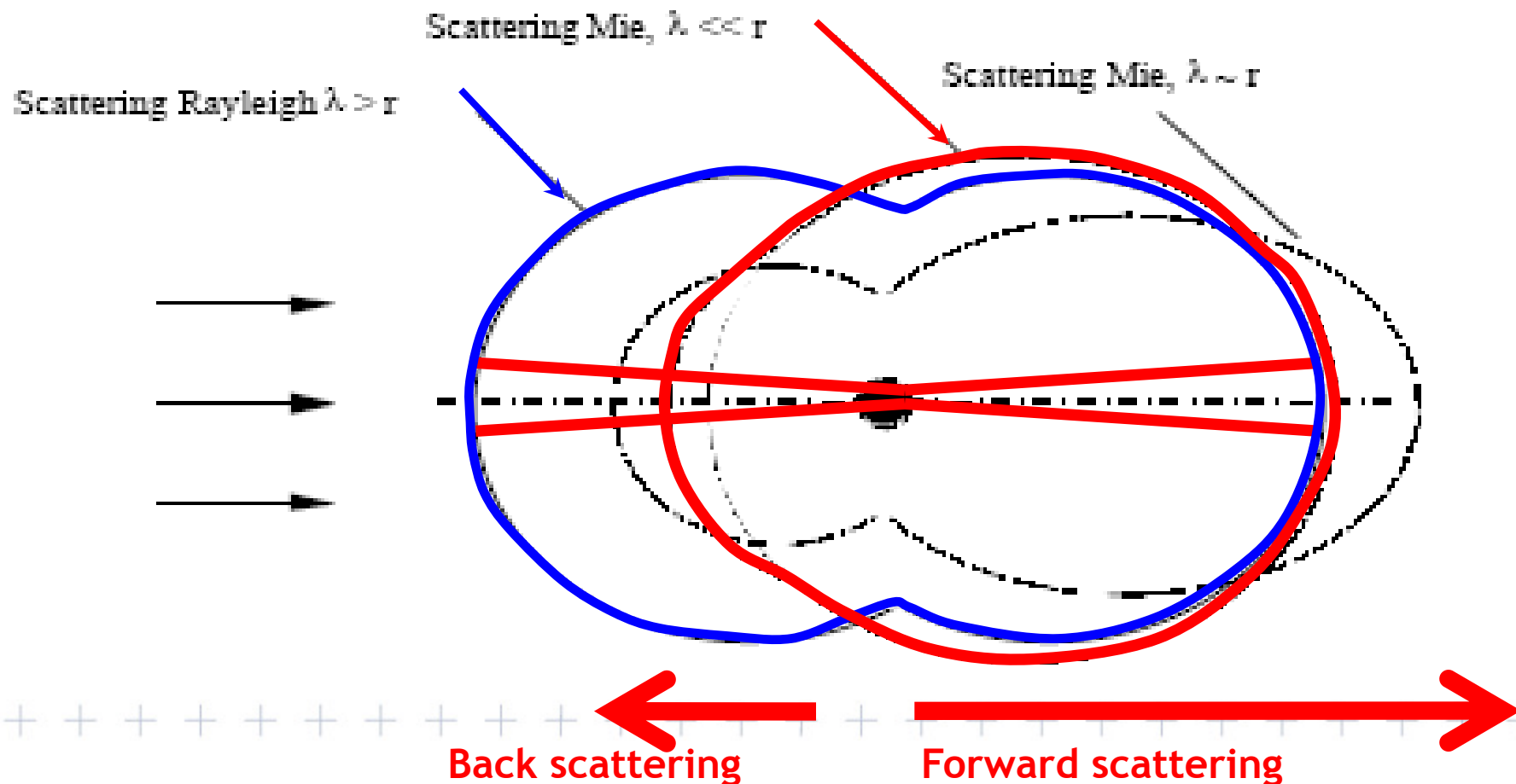
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$$C = \frac{\sigma_{\text{true}}}{\sigma_{\text{neph}}},$$

$$C = a + b \cdot \mathring{A}^b$$

$$\mathring{A}(\lambda_1/\lambda_2) = -\frac{\log(\sigma_{\text{sp}}^{\lambda_1}/\sigma_{\text{sp}}^{\lambda_2})}{\log(\lambda_1/\lambda_2)}.$$

Ångstrom exponent

Ångstrom exponent

high values (e.g. > 0.7) fine particles

high values (e.g. < 0.7) coarse particles, DUST

b) Correction factors for total scatter as a linear function of Ångström exponent using  $C = a + b \cdot \mathring{A}^b$

|                    | 450 nm |       |          |       | 550 nm |       |          |       | 700 nm |       |          |       |
|--------------------|--------|-------|----------|-------|--------|-------|----------|-------|--------|-------|----------|-------|
|                    | a      | b     | residual |       | a      | b     | residual |       | a      | b     | residual |       |
|                    |        |       | mean     | max   |        |       | mean     | max   |        |       | mean     | max   |
| No cut             | 1.365  | -.156 | 0.050    | 0.22  | 1.337  | -.138 | 0.046    | 0.21  | 1.297  | -.113 | 0.042    | 0.17  |
| Sub- $\mu\text{m}$ | 1.165  | -.046 | 0.010    | 0.031 | 1.152  | -.044 | 0.007    | 0.022 | 1.120  | -.035 | 0.004    | 0.014 |

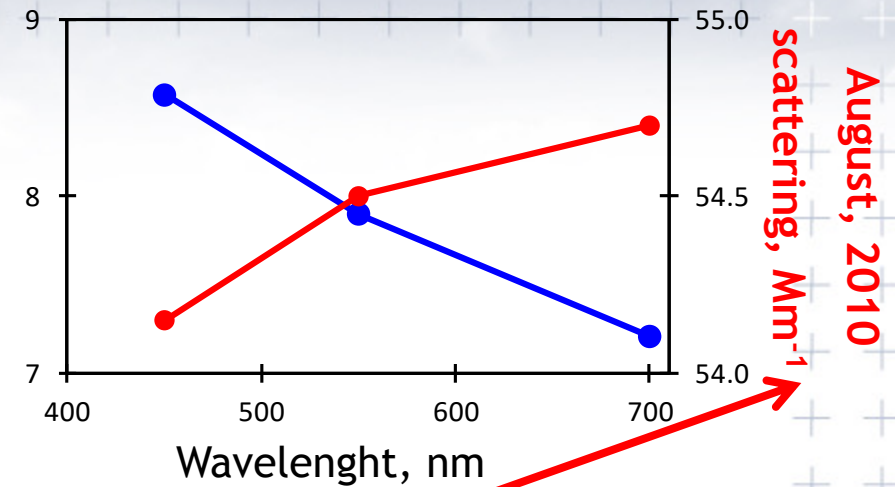
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<sup>b</sup> Å-values for input to this formula are calculated from Eq. (11) using uncorrected nephelometer measurements of  $\sigma_{\text{sp}}$  at two wavelengths;  $\mathring{A}(450/550)$  at 450 nm,  $\mathring{A}(450/700)$  at 550 nm, and  $\mathring{A}(550/700)$  at 700 nm.

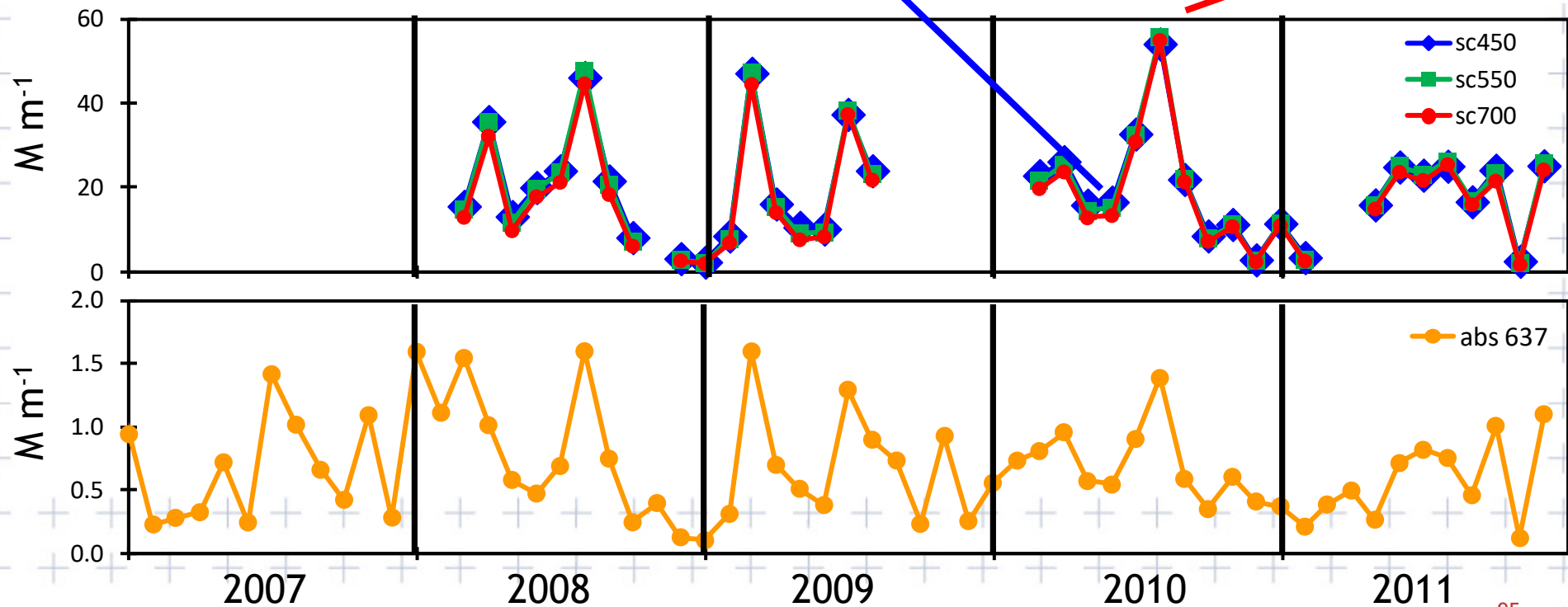
If correction is not applied, the total scattering is underestimated by between 5-15% for submicron particles and by 40-60% for coarse particles



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scattering,  $Mm^{-1}$



Optical properties: scattering and absorption





# optical properties

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absorption coefficient (several  $\lambda$ )

MAAP: Multi-Angle

Absorption Photometer

PSAP: Particle Soot

Absorption Photometer

Aethalometer

5–7  $\lambda$

3  $\lambda$



$\lambda=670\text{nm}$

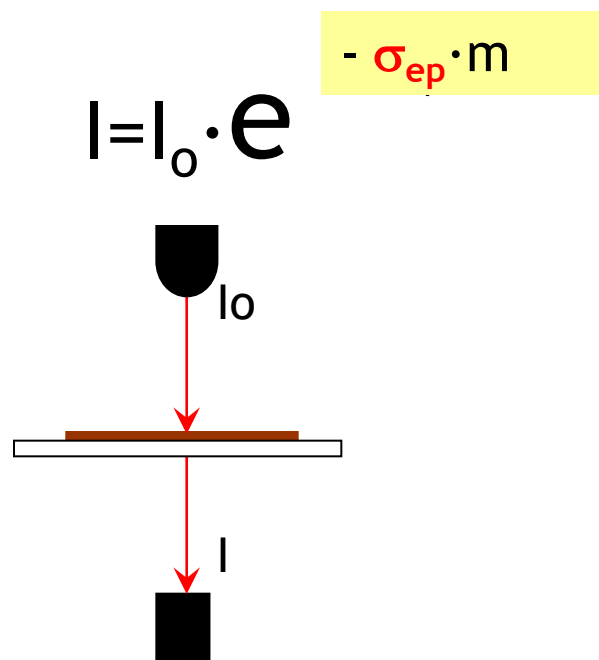


# optical properties

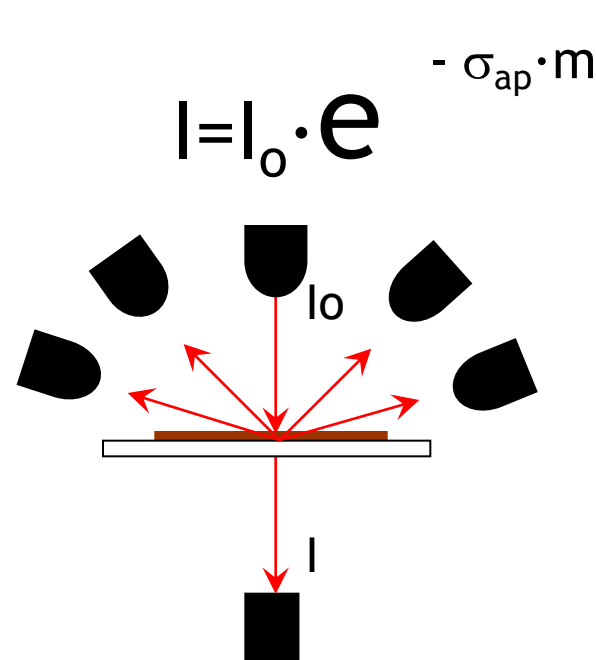
2 basic optical properties:

scattering ( $\sigma_{sp}$ ) and backscattering coefficient (several  $\lambda$ )

absorption coefficient (several  $\lambda$ )



**Aethalometer and PSAP**



**MAAP: MultiAngle Absorption Photometer**

Coef. Abs (aethamometro-PSAP) > Coef. Abs (MAAP)

## CORRECTION ALGORITHMS

### PSAP: Particle Soot Absorption Photometer

#### Correction for loading: 2 algorithms

- Bond, T. C., Anderson, T. L., and Campbell, D.: Calibration and intercomparison of filter-based measurements of visible light absorption by aerosols, *Aerosol Sci. Tech.*, 30, 582-600, 1999.
- Virkkula, A.: Correction of the Calibration of the 3-wavelength Particle Soot Absorption Photometer (3  $\lambda$  PSAP), *Aerosol Science and Technology*, 44, 706-712, doi:10.1080/02786826.2010.482110, 2010.
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3 $\lambda$



## CORRECTION ALGORITHMS

### Aethalometer

#### Correction for 'loading': 5 algoritmos

- Weingartner, E., Saathoff, H., Schnaiter, M., Streit, N., Bitnar, B., and Baltensperger, U., 2003. Absorption of light by soot particles, 2003. Determination of the absorption by means of aethalometers, *Journal of Aerosol Science*, 34, 1445-1463.
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- Collaud Coen, M., Weingartner, E., Apituley, A., Ceburnis, D., Fierz-Schmidhauser, R., Flentje, H., Henzing, J. S., Jennings, S. G., Moerman, M., Petzold, A., Schmid, O., and Baltensperger, U., 2010. Minimizing light absorption measurement artifacts of the Aethalometer: evaluation of five correction algorithms, *Atmos. Meas. Tech.*, 3, 457-474, doi:10.5194/amt-3-457-2010.

**Scattering Coefficient is necessary for applying these corrections**



## CORRECTION ALGORITHMS

### MAAP: Multi-Angle Absorption Photometer

No correction necessary:

Manufacturer: 670nm

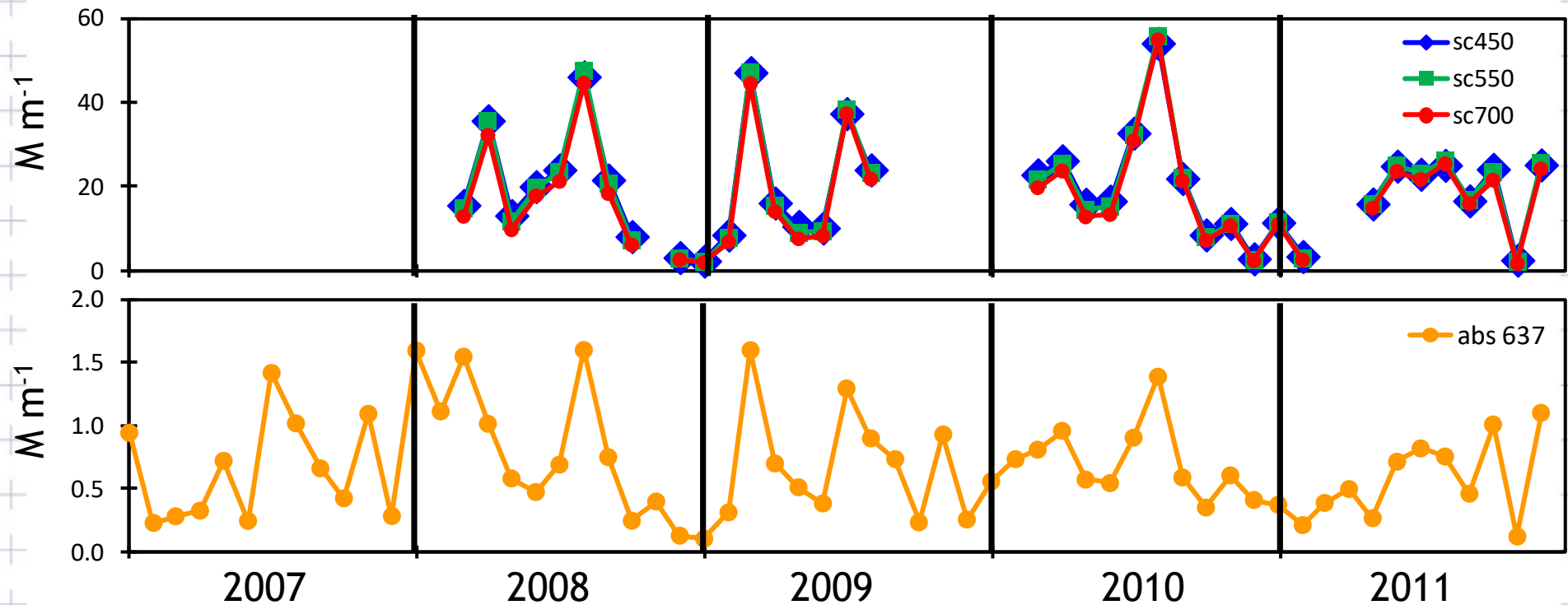
Experimental: 637nm

Coef. de Abs. x 1.05

Müller and other 38 authors, 2011. Characterization and intercomparison of aerosol absorption photometers: result of two intercomparison workshops, Atmospheric Measurements Techniques, 4, 245-268. doi:10.5194/amt-4-245-2011.



Long term monitoring of optical properties with simultaneous chemical and mineralogical characterization allows to understand potential changes in the optical properties due to changes in the dust and pollutants mixing or changes in the dust-sources





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DE MEDIO AMBIENTE  
Y MEDIO RURAL Y MARINO

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## property of aerosol dust:

number size distribution

mass concentration

chemical composition

mixing state

**mineralogy**

optical properties

## Dust is a mixing of different minerals:

| type                 | common name     | formula empirica  |
|----------------------|-----------------|---|
| clay                 | Montmorillonite | $\text{Na}_{0.2}\text{Ca}_{0.1}\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{10} \cdot n(\text{H}_2\text{O})$ |
| clay                 | Smectite        | $(\text{Na}, \text{Ca})\text{Al}_4(\text{Si}, \text{Al})_8\text{O}_{20}(\text{OH})_4 \cdot 2(\text{H}_2\text{O})$                     |
| clay                 | Chlorite        | $\text{Na}_{0.5}(\text{Al}, \text{Mg})_6(\text{Si}, \text{Al})_8\text{O}_{18}(\text{OH})_{12} \cdot 5(\text{H}_2\text{O})$            |
| Ca rich              | calcite         | $\text{CaCO}_3$   |
| Ca rich              | dolomite        | $\text{CaMg}(\text{CO}_3)_2$  |
| Ca rich              | gypsum          | $\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2(\text{H}_2\text{O})$   |
| Ca rich              | anhydrite       | $\text{CaSO}_4$   |
| SiO <sub>2</sub>     | quartz          | $\text{SiO}_2$  |
| Feldspars            | mocridine       | $\text{KAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$  |
| Plagioclase feldspar | Var oligoclase  | $(\text{Na}, \text{Ca})[\text{Si}, \text{Al}]_4\text{O}_8$  |
| Plagioclase feldspar | Var albite      | $\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$   |
| Plagioclase feldspar | Var anorthite   | $\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$  |
| Oxides               | hematite        | $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$   |
| Oxides               | goethite        | $\text{FeO}(\text{OH})$   |
| Oxides               | gibbsite        | $\text{Al}(\text{OH})_3$  |
| Oxides               | rutile          | $\text{TiO}_2$  |
| Salt                 | halite          | $\text{NaCl}$   |

close chemical composition,  
but different mineralogy



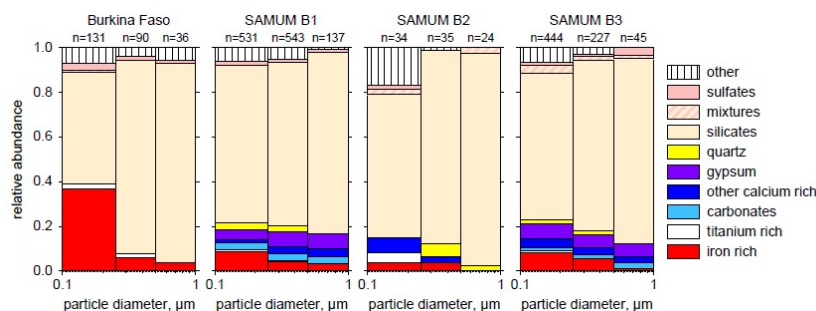
different optical properties

Dust is a mixing of different minerals:

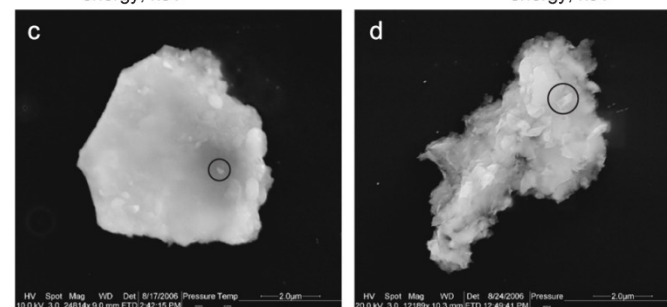
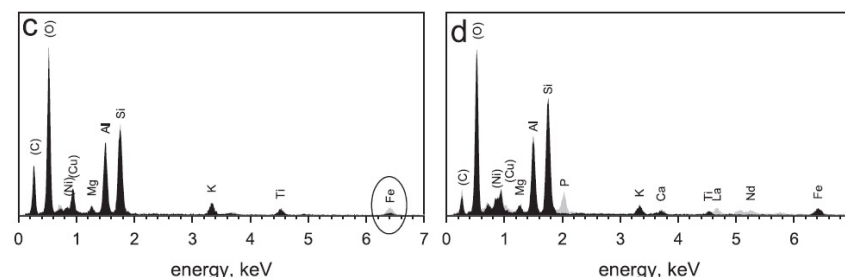
Techniques for the identification of different minerals:

- X-Ray diffraction
- Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) and Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) individual particle characterization for size, morphology, chemical and mineral composition.

not for long term monitoring



| Component          | Burkina Faso | SAMUM B1 | SAMUM B3 |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| "Quartz"           | 0.004        | 0.012    | 0.006    |
| "Hematite"         | 0.027        | 0.016    | 0.011    |
| "Calcite"          | 0.001        | 0.092    | 0.055    |
| "Average Silicate" | 0.949        | 0.842    | 0.867    |
| "Sulphate"         | 0.019        | 0.037    | 0.061    |



Chemical composition and complex refractive index of Saharan Mineral Dust at Izaña, Tenerife (Spain) derived by electron microscopy

Konrad Kandler<sup>a,\*</sup>, Nathalie Benker<sup>a</sup>, Ulrich Bundke<sup>b</sup>, Emilio Cuevas<sup>c</sup>, Martin Ebert<sup>a</sup>, Peter Knippertz<sup>d</sup>, Sergio Rodriguez<sup>c,c</sup>, Lothar Schütz<sup>d</sup>, Stephan Weinbruch<sup>a</sup>

Complex refractive indices of Saharan dust samples

at visible and near UV wavelengths: a laboratory study

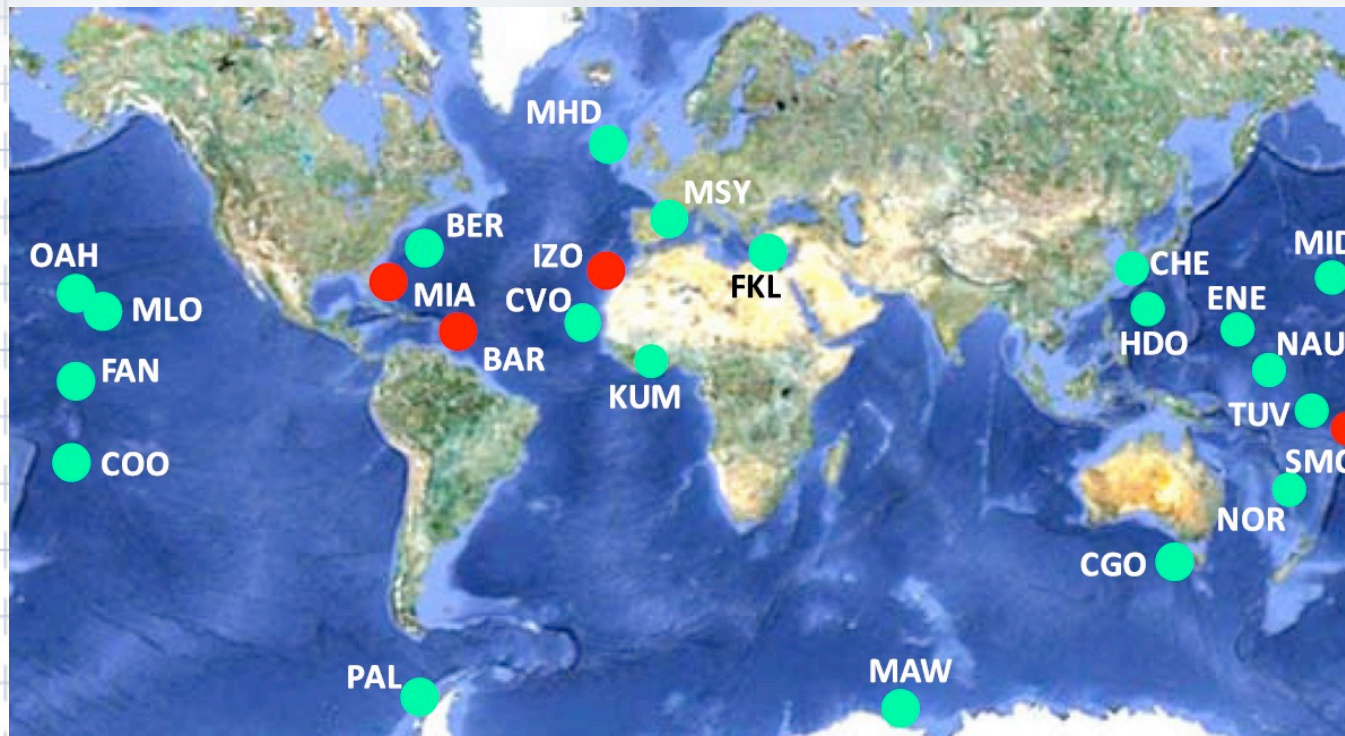
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Atmos. Chem. Phys., 12, 2491–2512, 2012

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## Long term monitoring dust background-observatories:



- at least 4 years
- Active during the last 20 years

Review Article

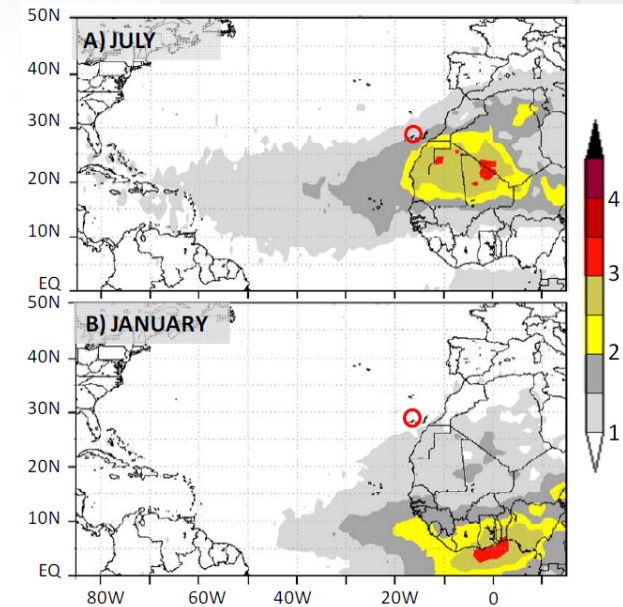
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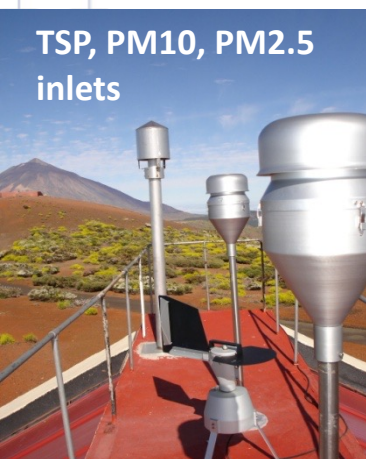
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## Example of long term monitoring dust background-observatories, Izaña (Tenerife, Canary Islands)



## In-situ aerosols GAW program:



TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>  
inlets



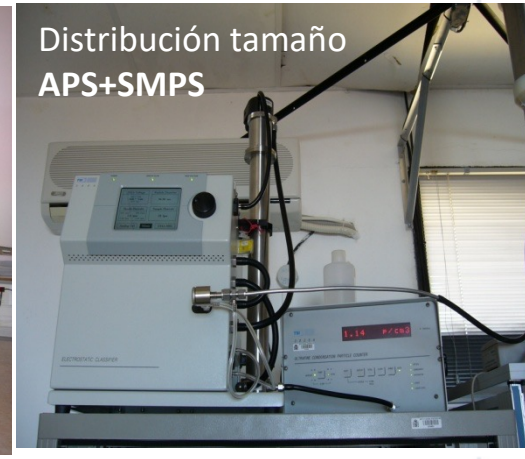
3λ scattering



absorción



Composición  
química



Distribución tamaño  
APS+SMPS

- Chemical composition, TSP: 1987, PM<sub>2.5</sub>: 2002, PM<sub>10</sub>: 2005 ...
- Ultrafine particles (CPC 3025A): 1997 - 2009
- Size distribution of fine and ultrafine particles (SMPS): 2008 - ...
- Size distribution of coarse particles (APS): 2006 - ...
- Scattering and backscattering (nephelometer): 2008 - ...
- Absorption coefficient (1 λ): 2006 - ...
- Absorption coefficient (7 λ): 2012 - ...



# GAW program:

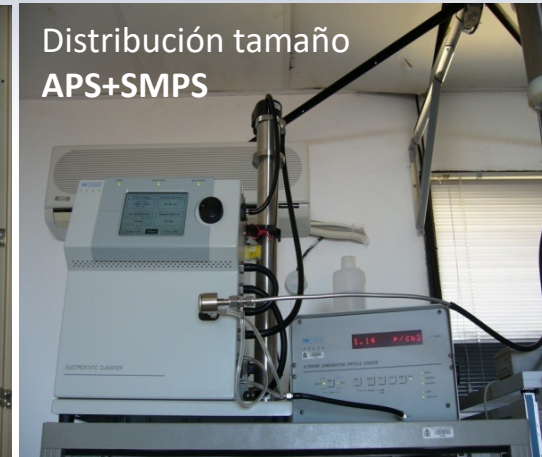
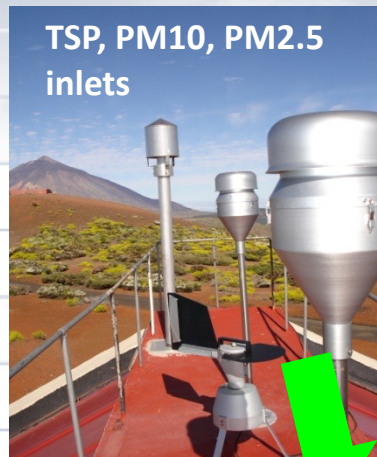
TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>  
inlets

Composición  
química

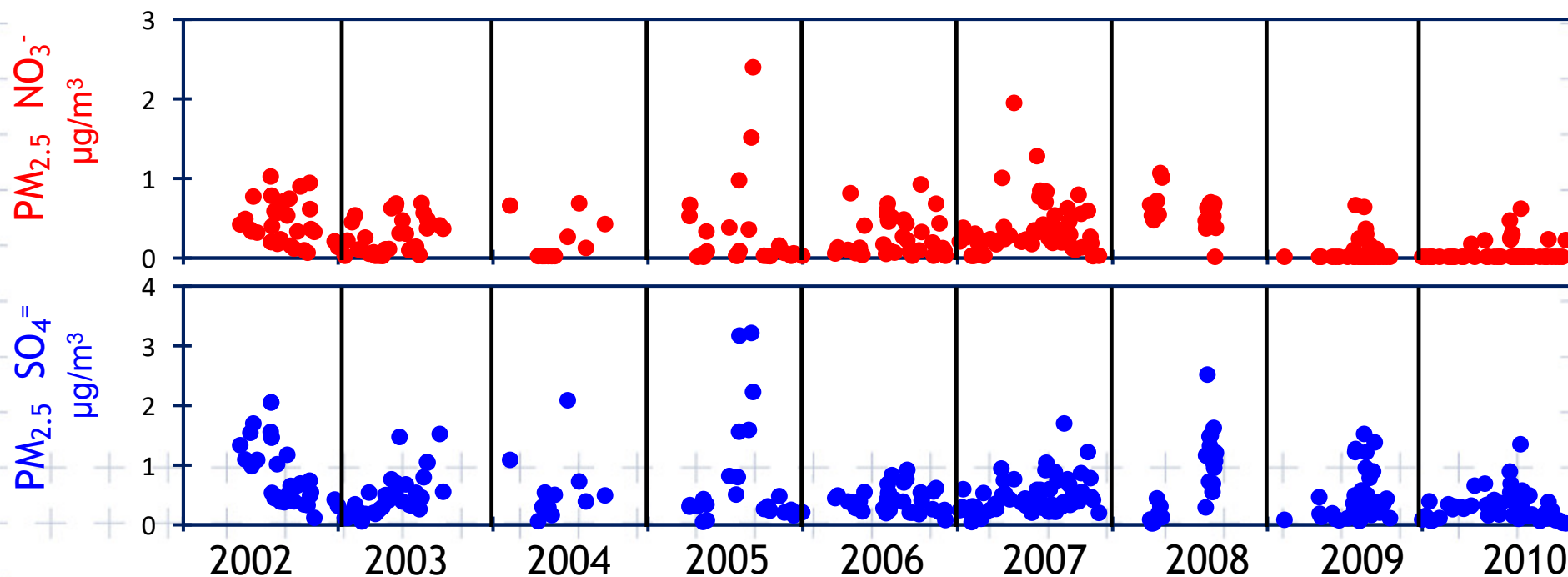
3λ scattering

absorción

Distribución tamaño  
APS+SMPS



Chemical composition (TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>): elemental (ICP-AES+ICP-MS) , ions (SO<sub>4</sub><sup>=</sup>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>), OC, EC



# GAW program:

TSP, PM10, PM2.5 inlets

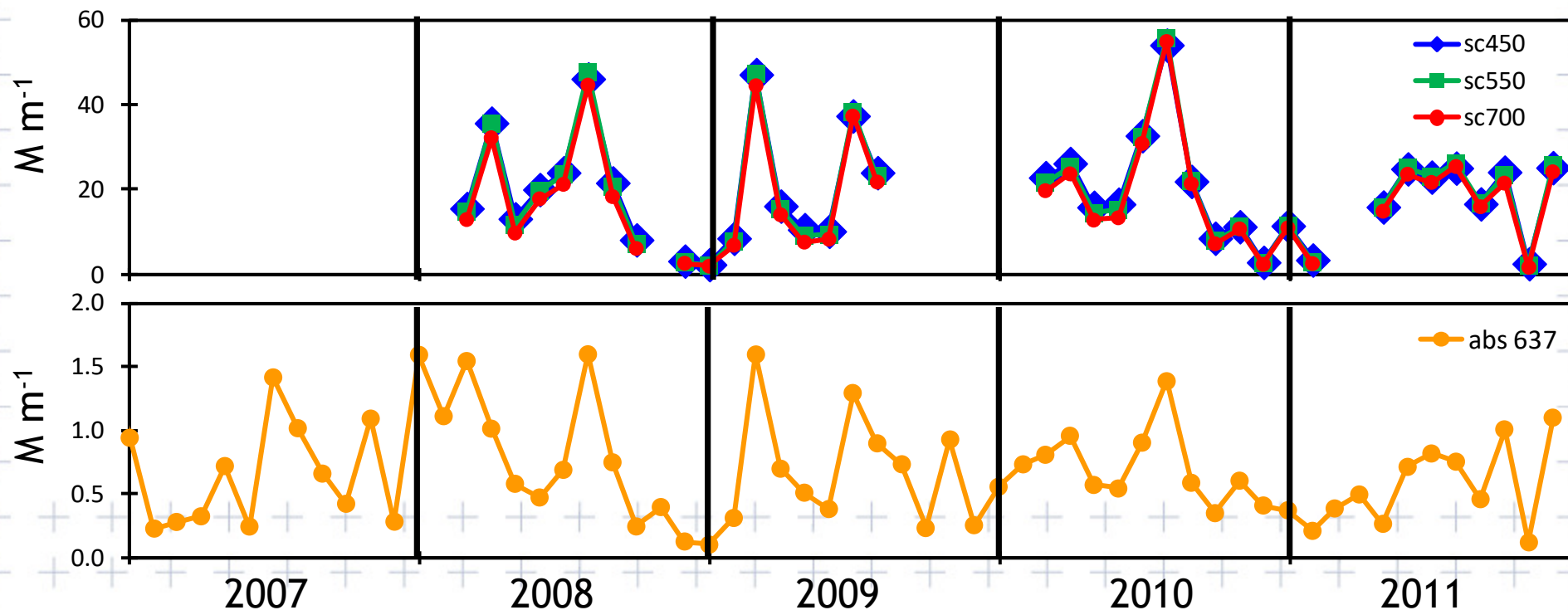
Composición química

3λ scattering

absorción

Distribución tamaño APS+SMPS

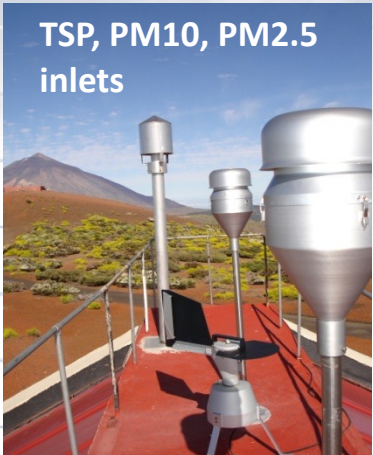
## Optical properties: scattering and absorption





# GAW program:

TSP, PM10, PM2.5 inlets



Composición química



$\lambda$  scattering



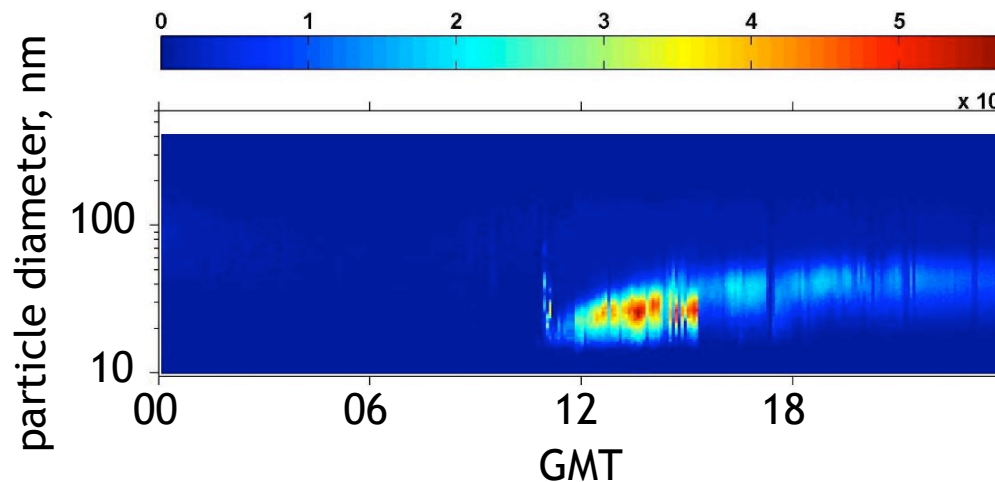
absorción



Distribución tamaño APS+SMPS



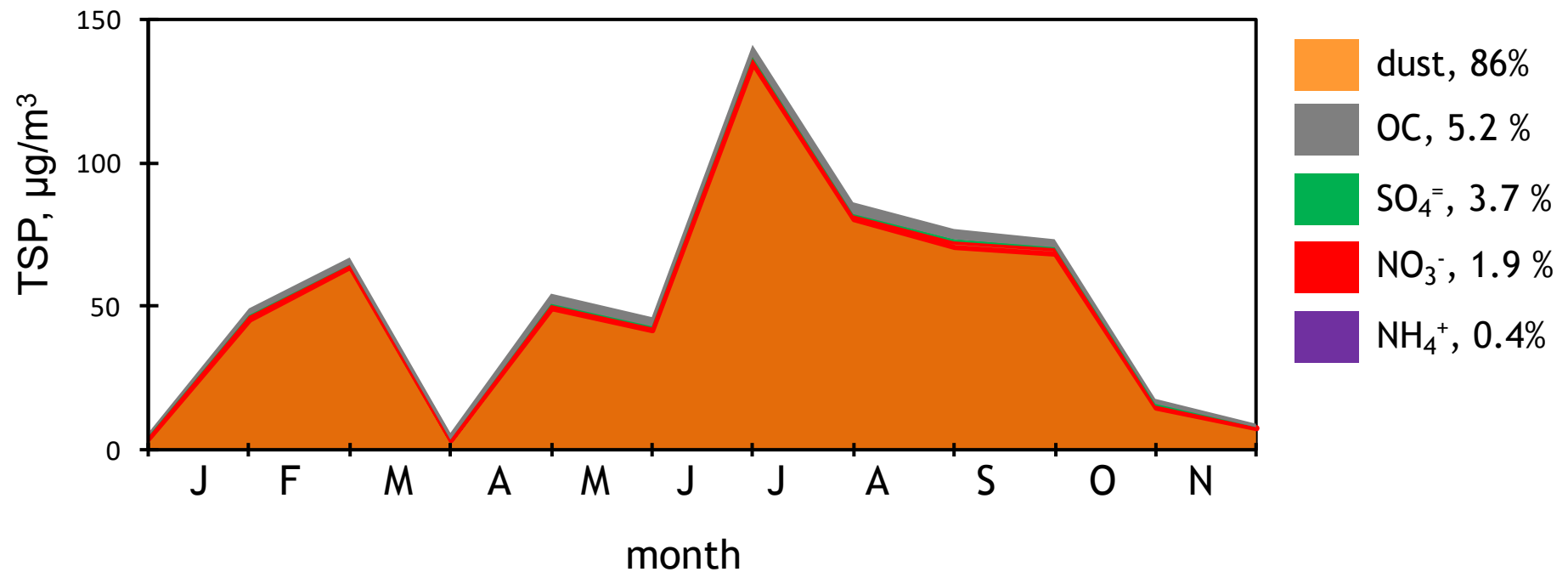
Size distribution: 10-500 nm (SMPS) + 0.5-20  $\mu\text{m}$  (APS)



Example: new particle formation by nucleation

POLLUTANTS mixed with dust

Saharan dust is the most abundant aerosol we detect !!!!!



From ground observations...  
to ground estimations...

Visibility

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## WMO - visibility

The greatest distance that a black object of “suitable dimensions,” situated near the ground, can be seen and recognized when observed against a background of fog

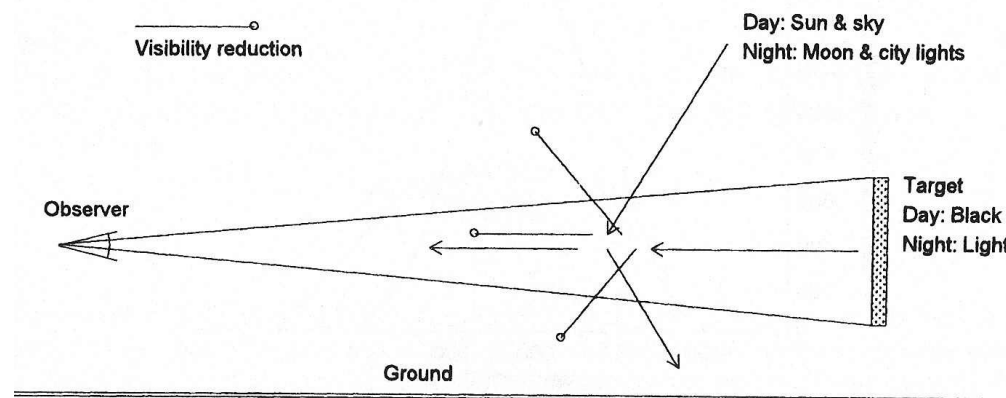


Fig. 11-1 Visibility reduction by scattering.

### aerosols are the main cause of visibility reduction

- Operational surface synoptic weather station reports from Global Telecommunication System (GTS)
- Station reports include past & present weather, visibility (km), temperature (°C), dew point temperature, wind direction (°), and speed (knots)

|       |       |       |          |                              |    |    |     |    |     |     |        |
|-------|-------|-------|----------|------------------------------|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|--------|
| 62733 | 15.32 | 35.60 | 02040818 | Dust, not at time of obs.    | 6  | 0  | 18  | 22 | 320 | 2   | 35.5   |
| 62733 | 15.32 | 35.60 | 02041015 | Dust, raised at time of obs. | 7  | 0  | 99. | 30 | 320 | 6   | 34.5   |
| 62733 | 15.32 | 35.60 | 02041121 |                              | -9 | -9 | -9  | 20 | 23  | 320 | 2 26.0 |
| 62733 | 15.32 | 35.60 | 02041212 |                              | -9 | -9 | -9  | 20 | 34  | 340 | 3 37.5 |

## Measurement of visibility - transmissometer & scatometer

- A light source with one or two light detectors at fixed distances from the source
- Detectors are designed to receive light only from the source direction
- Often located along and parallel to a runway (runway visual range; RVR)

### transmissometer

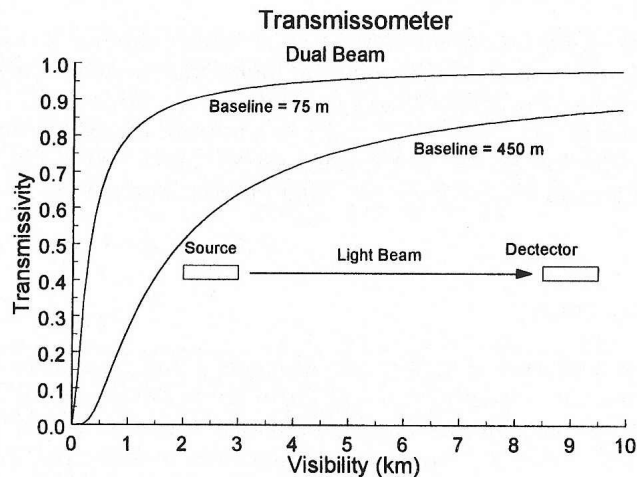


Fig. 11-3 Transfer function for a transmissometer.



### scatometer

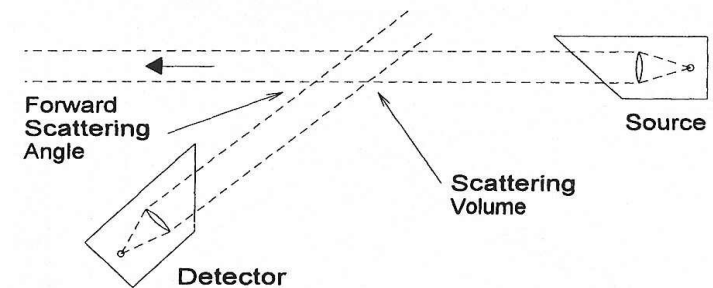
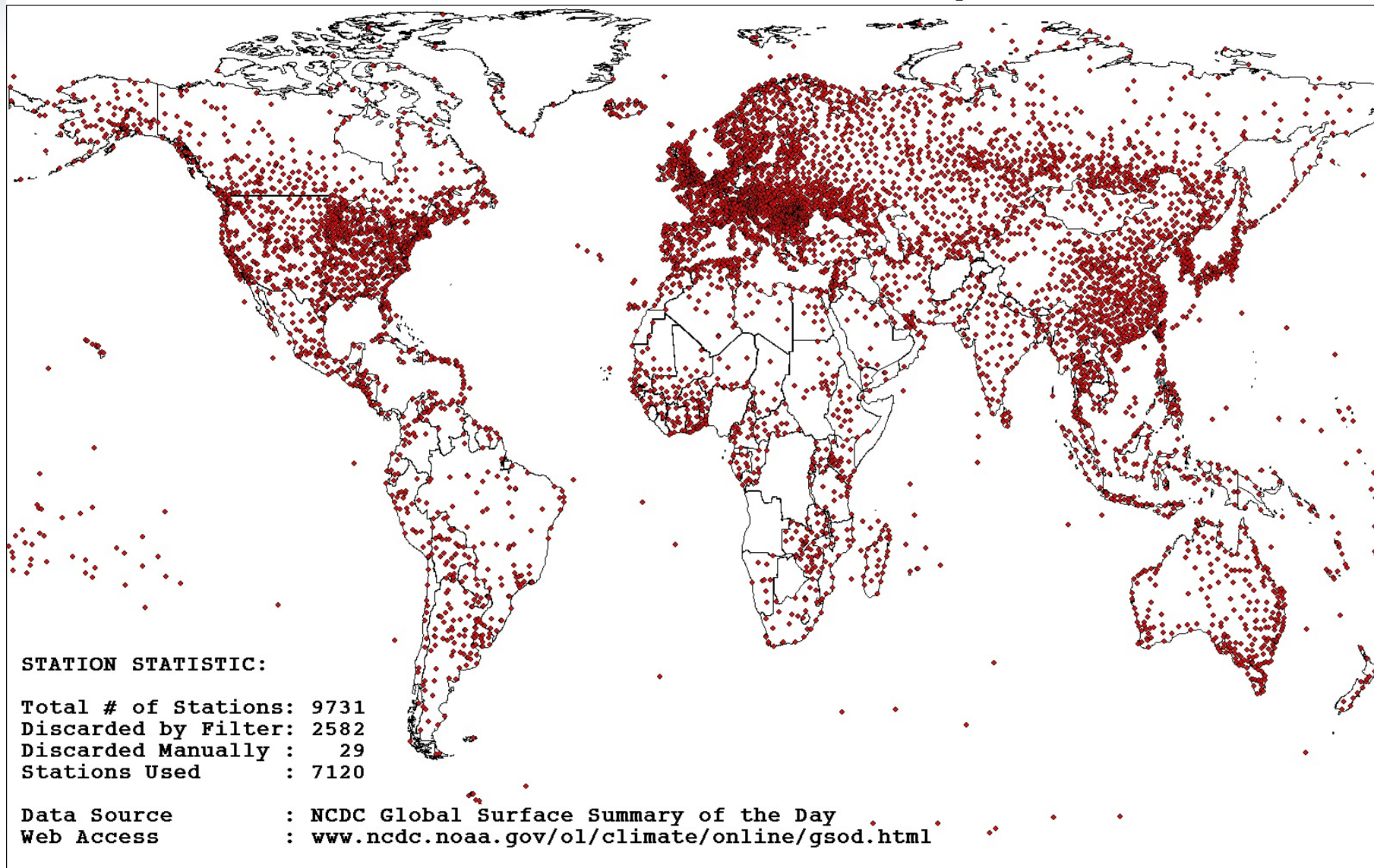


Fig. 11-4 A forward scatter visibility meter.

## WMO- World Wide Watch Global Surface Meteorological Network





## Relation between horizontal visibility and TSP or PM10

Very few studies on the relation between horizontal visibility and TSP or PM10 levels of mineral dust mass concentration have been carried out in Africa.

$$C_{TSP} = 1339.84 VV^{-0.67}$$

Ben Mohamed et al. (1992)

$$C_{PM10} = 914.06 VV^{-0.73} + 19.03$$

D'Almeida's (1986)

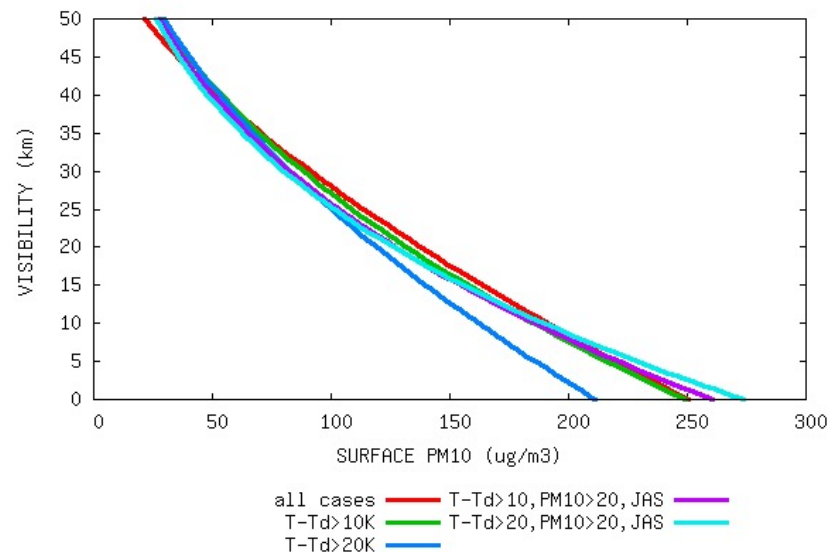
where  $C$  is the TSP concentration in  $\mu\text{gm}^{-3}$  and  $VV$  is the horizontal visibility in km

E. Terradellas

$$\text{Vis} = 63023 - 1838(\text{PM}_{10})^{0.64}$$

$\text{PM}_{10}$  at Izaña

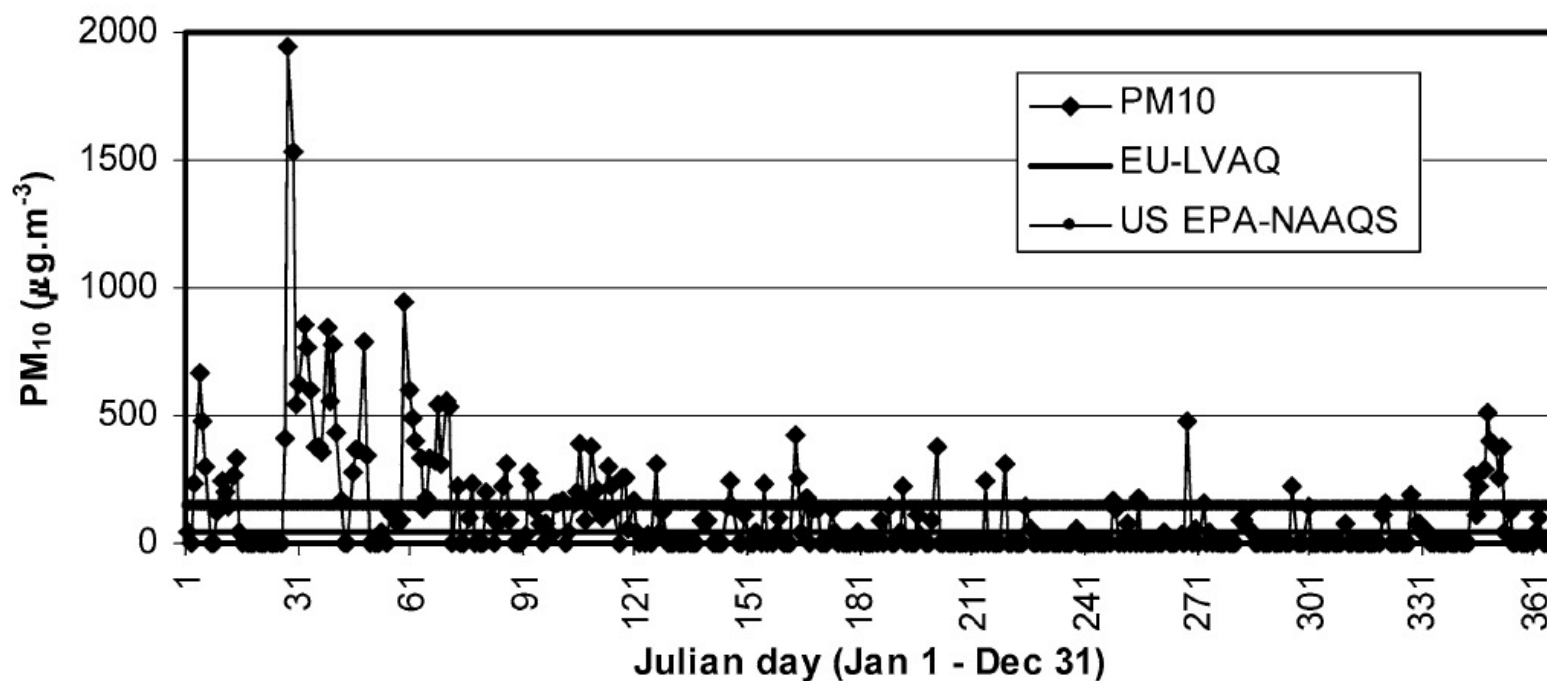
Visibility from SYNOP-Izaña



Identify surface station visibility reports that may be used in simple regression model for estimate ground PM10 or TSP

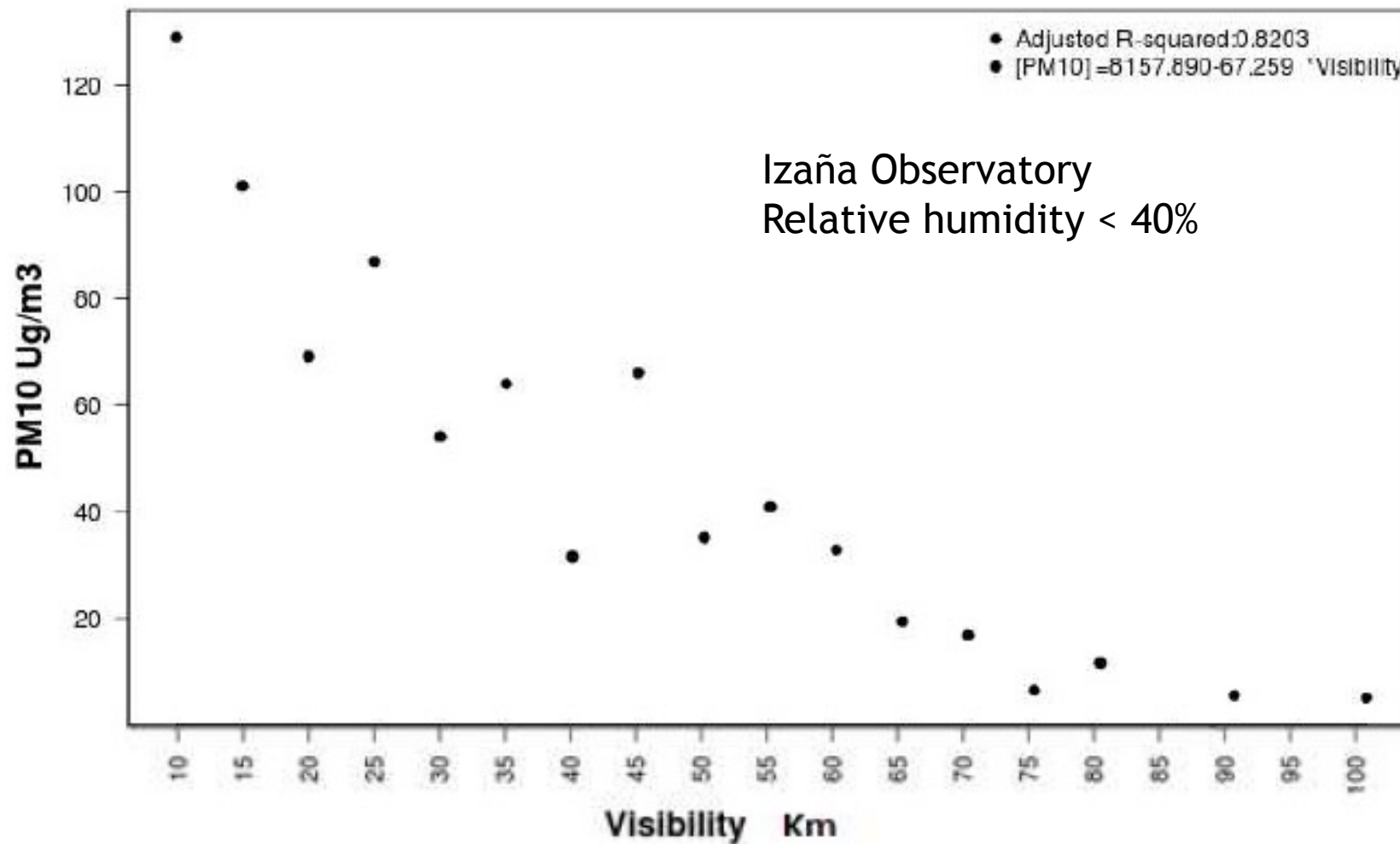


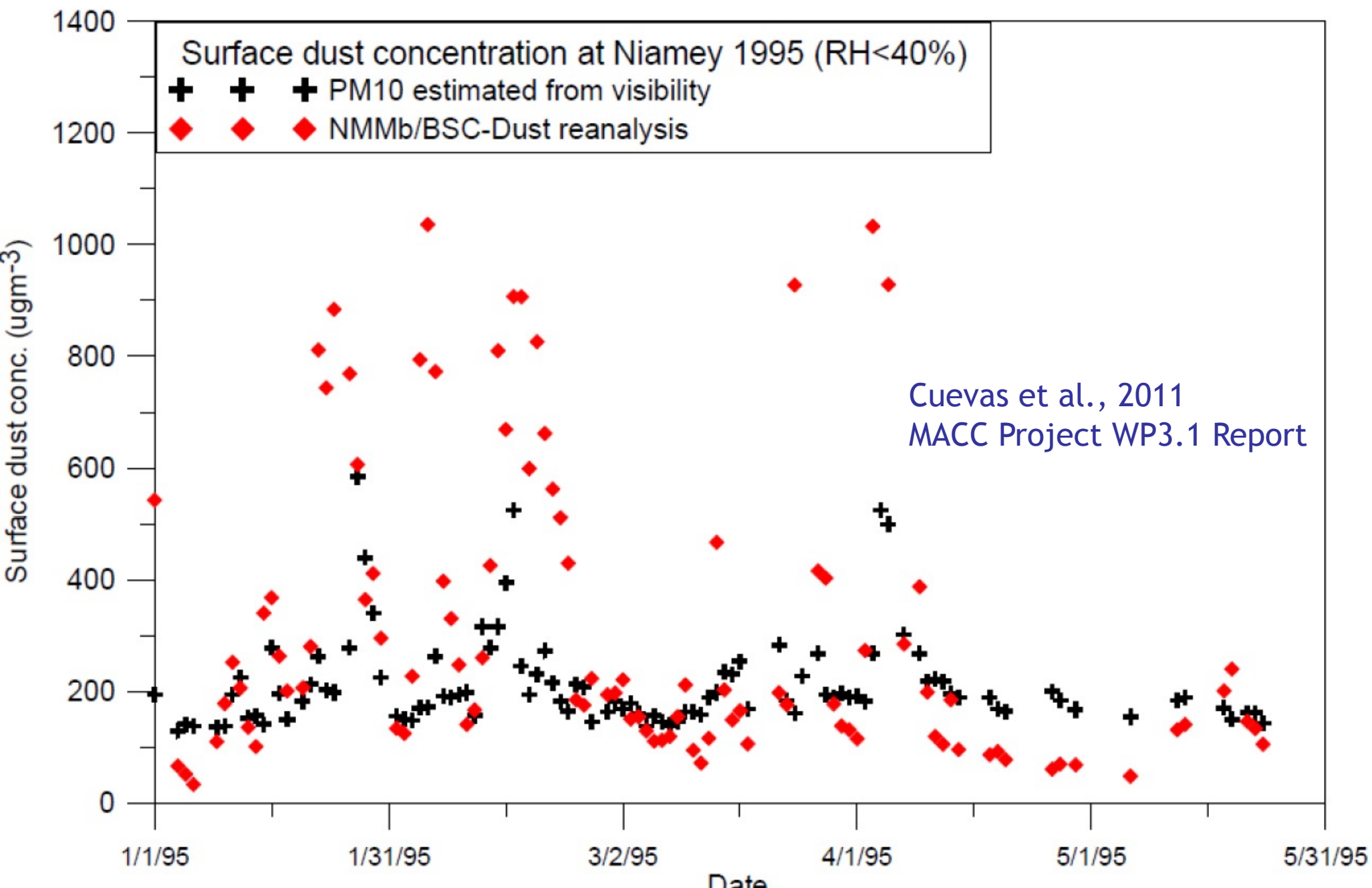
Variations of estimated daily mean concentrations of TSP and PM<sub>10</sub> ( $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{m}^{-3}$ ) due to Saharan dust events at Nouakchott, Mauritania, in 2000



Ozer et al., (2006): Estimation of air quality degradation due to Saharan dust at Nouakchott, Mauritania, from horizontal visibility data

## Scatterplot at Izaña

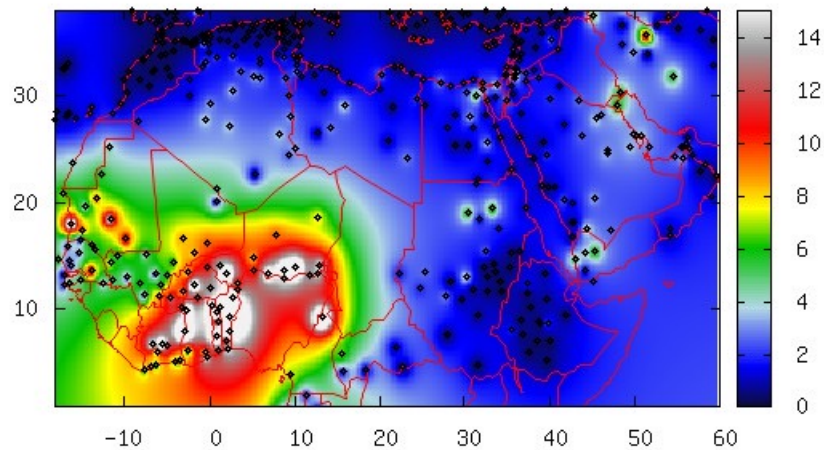




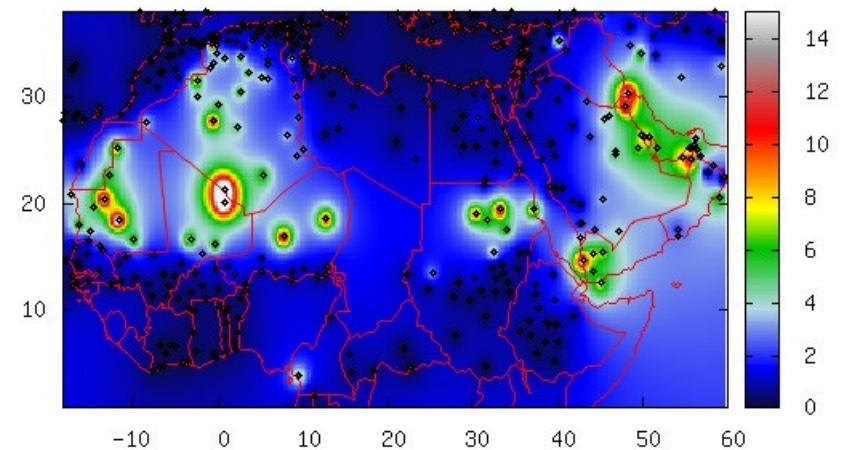
Synop and Metar reports from Met stations

Provided by Enric Terradellas

**WINTER**



**SUMMER**





## Problems with station visibility estimates

1. Human observations are inherently subjective.
2. No all reductions of visibility are due to dust (fog, biomass burning...)
3. Coarse reporting bins
4. Judgment in distinguishing visibility beyond 10 km

## Main advantages

1. Reports are abundant and widespread over land. There is information in remote areas (deserts)
2. There are *some* standards
3. Human detected visibility has been correlated well with surface extinction analyses (Husar et al., 2000)
4. Estimations of PM are possible

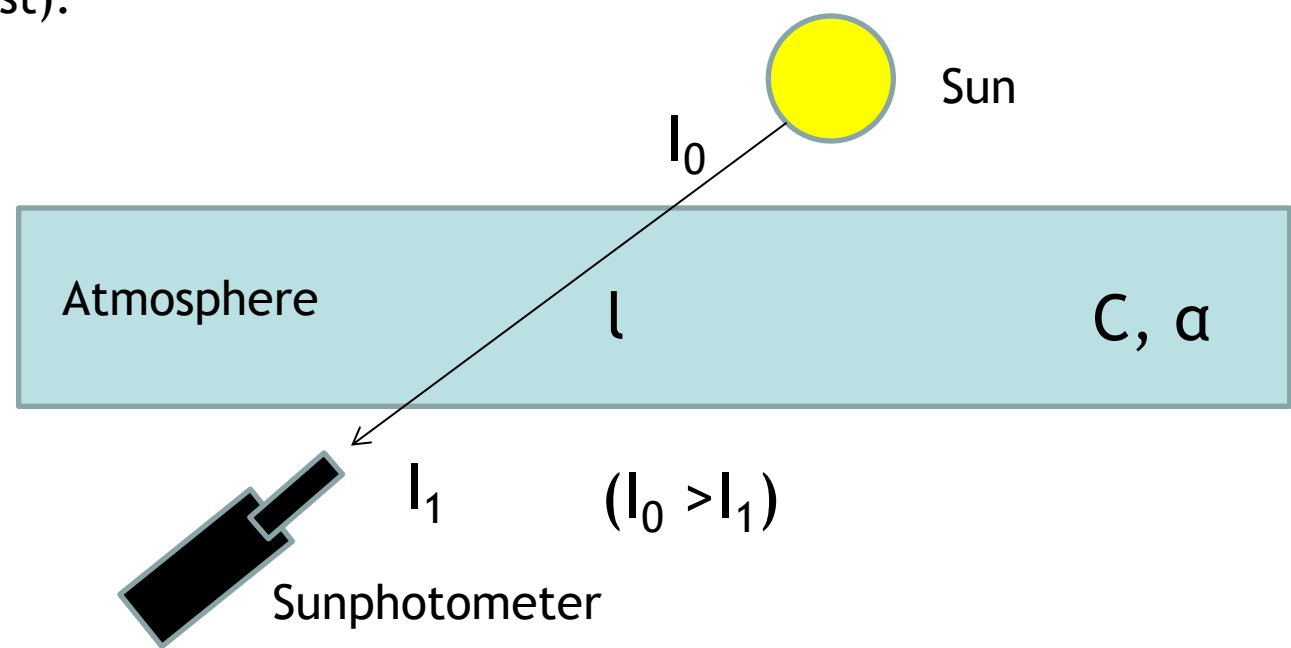
From ground observations...  
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Sunphotometers

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Knowing the sunlight's energy at the top of the atmosphere, the thickness of the atmosphere, and the amount of sunlight transmitted to the earth's surface and can allows us to determine the amount of scattering, and thus, the amount of aerosols (dust).



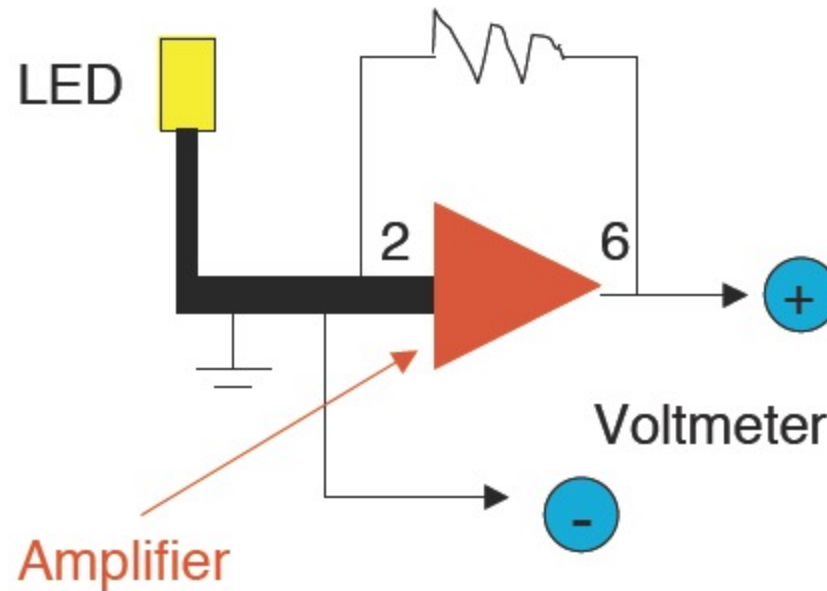
Beer's Law

$$T = I_1 / I_0 = 10^{-\alpha l} = 10^{-\epsilon l c}$$

- Transmissivity (T)
- Extinction coefficient ( $\alpha$ )
- path length (l)
- molar absorptivity of the absorber ( $\epsilon$ )
- concentration of absorbing species in the material (c)
- extinction cross section ( $\sigma$ )
- density of absorbers (N)



**Sun Photometers** absorb *direct* sunlight energy with a LED light and convert the intensity into a quantified voltage to measure aerosols in the atmosphere.



The intensity of sunlight at the top of the earth's atmosphere is constant. While the sunlight travels through the atmosphere, aerosols can dissipate the energy by scattering (Rayleigh and Mie) and absorbing the light. More aerosols in the atmosphere cause more scattering and less energy transmitted to the surface.

## ASSESSMENT OF OBSERVATIONS CONSISTENCY

Langley plot calibration (100 determination for each wavelength):

Beer's Law

$$T = I_1 / I_0 = 10^{-\alpha l}$$

$$\ln I = \ln I_0 - \alpha l$$

Pristine conditions

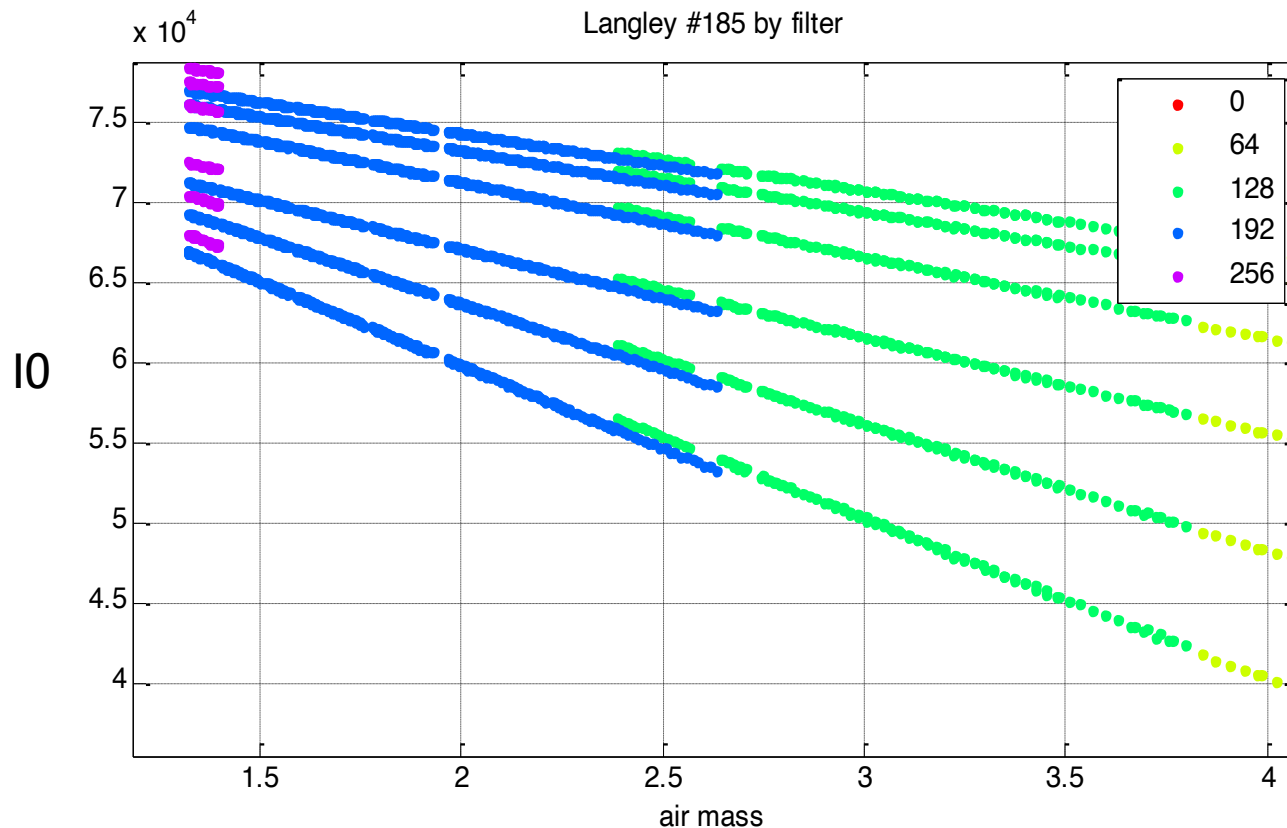
No clouds

Stable total ozone and column water vapor

If  $\alpha$  is constant during the observation



Determine  $I_0$



## CONCEPTS:

**Aerosol Extinction:** A measure of attenuation of the light passing through the atmosphere due to scattering and absorption by aerosol particles.

**Extinction coefficient** is the fractional depletion of radiance per unit path length (also called attenuation). It has units of  $\text{km}^{-1}$ .

**Aerosol Mass Load:** The columnar aerosol mass concentration ( $\mu\text{gm}/\text{cm}^2$ ) is the total aerosol mass in a vertical column of atmosphere.

## CONCEPTS:

**Aerosol Asymmetry Factor** A measure of the preferred scattering direction (forward or backward) for light encountering aerosol particles.

$$g = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{+1} \cos \Theta P(\cos \Theta) d \cos \Theta$$

$$P(\cos \Theta) = \frac{1 - g^2}{(1 + g^2 - 2g \cos \Theta)^{3/2}}$$

In general,  $g=0$  indicates scattering directions evenly distributed between forward and backward directions, i.e. isotropic scattering (e.g. scattering from small particles)

$g < 0$  scattering in the backward direction (i.e scattering angle  $> 90$  deg.), often referred to as backscattering, is scattering at  $180$  deg.

$g > 0$  scattering in the forward direction (i.e scattering angle  $< 90$  deg.), often referred to as forward-scattering, is scattering at  $0$  deg. **For larger size or Mie particles,  $g$  is close to  $+1$ .**



## CONCEPTS:

### Aerosol Optical Depth (or Thickness)

"Aerosol Optical Depth" (AOD) is the degree to which aerosols prevent the transmission of light. The aerosol optical depth or optical thickness ( $\tau$ ) is defined as the integrated extinction coefficient over a vertical column of unit cross section.

$$\tau_{ext} = \int_{z=0}^{z=toa} K_{ext}(z) dz$$

### Angstrom Exponent ( $\alpha$ )

An exponent that expresses the spectral dependence of Aerosol Optical Depth ( $\tau$ ) with the wavelength of incident light ( $\lambda$ ). The spectral dependence of aerosol optical thickness can be approximated (depending on size distribution) by:

$$\tau_a = \beta \lambda^\alpha$$

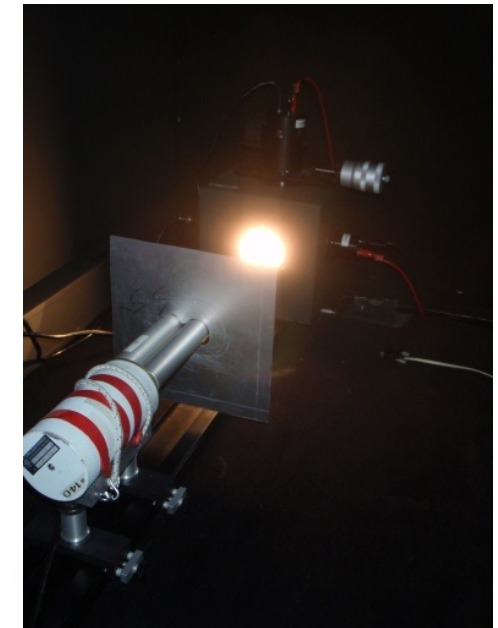
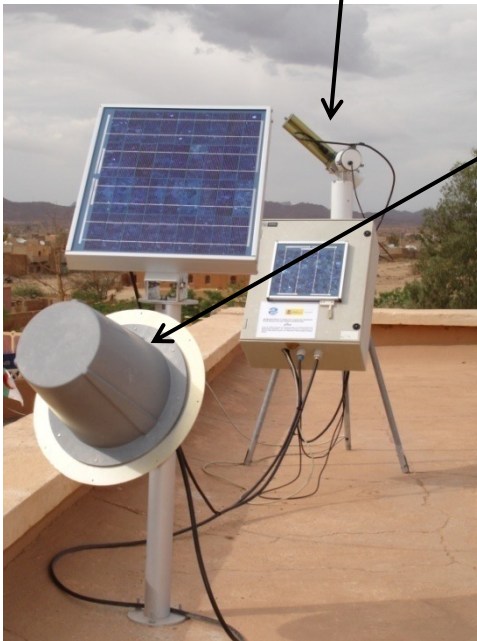
$\alpha \gg 0.9$  FINE particles

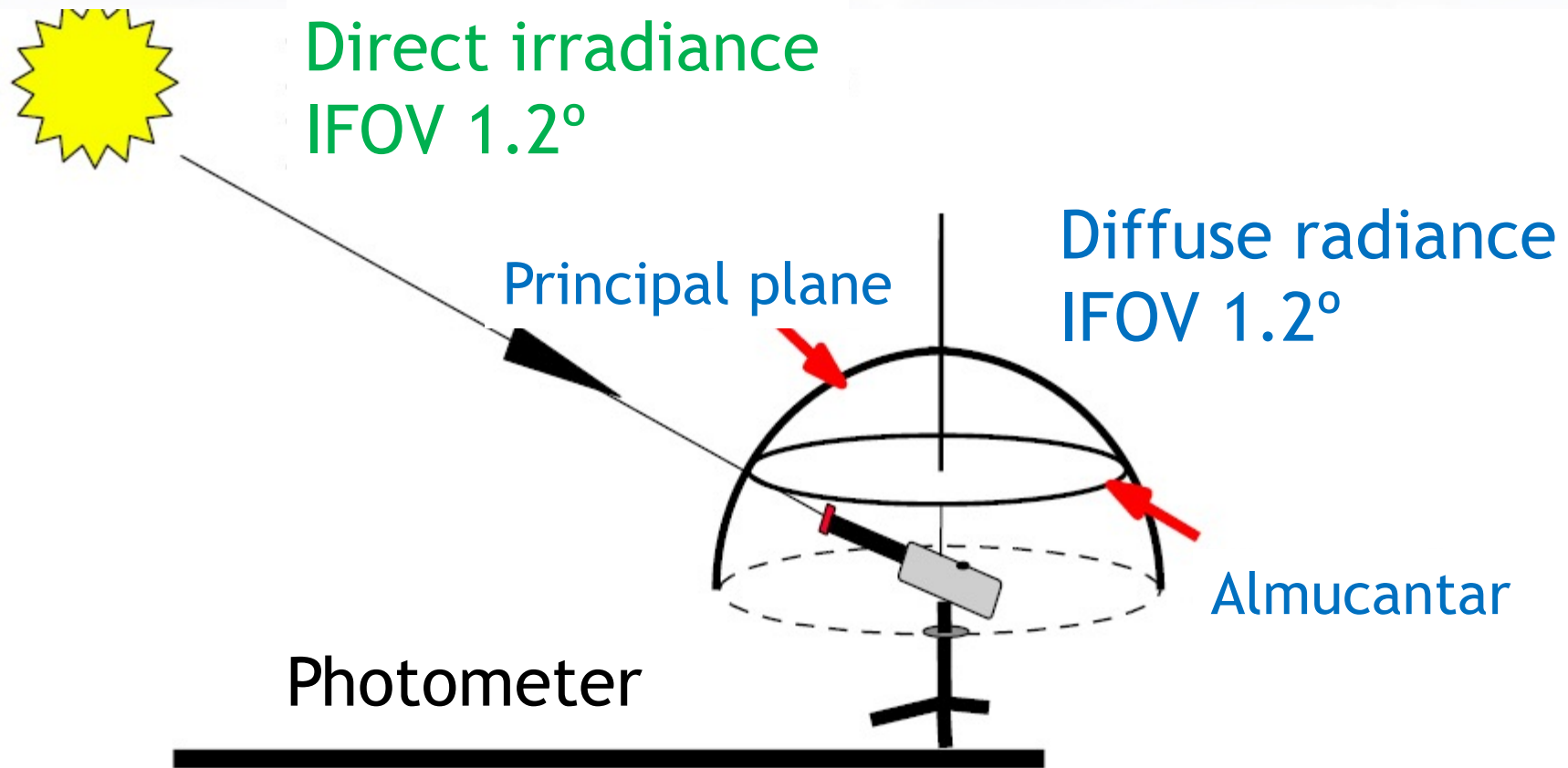
$\alpha \ll 0.7$  COARSE particles

where  $\alpha$  is the Angstrom exponent ( $\beta$  = aerosol optical depth at 1  $\mu\text{m}$ )

**i.e. If AOD  $> \sim 0.2$  and  $\alpha < 0.7$  then we are observing dust (aprox.)**

- The Cimel Electronique 318 spectral radiometer is a solar-powered, weather-hardy, robotically-pointed sun and sky spectral sun photometer.
- A sensor head points the sensor head at the sun according to a preprogrammed routine.
- The Cimel controller, batteries, and the optional Vitel satellite transmission equipment are usually deployed in a weatherproof plastic case.





Sun measurements  
Sky measurements

# AERONET Data Flows

<http://aeronet.gsfc.nasa.gov>

## Flux measurements

Direct -  $\lambda=340, 380, 440, 500, 670, 870, 940, 1020$  nm

Diffuse -  $\lambda=440, 670, 870, 1020$  nm (alm, pp, pol)

## Calibration and processing information

Mauna-Loa and Izaña

CNRS-University of Lille and University of Valladolid

## Aerosol optical depth and precipitable water computations

## Cloud screening and quality control

## Inversion products

Volume size distribution ( $0.05 < \text{size} < 15 \mu\text{m}$ ),  
refractive index, single scattering albedo  
( $\lambda=440, 670, 870, 1020$  nm)

Holben et al.  
*RSE*, 1998  
Holben et al.  
*JGR*, 2001

Eck et al.  
*JGR*, 1999

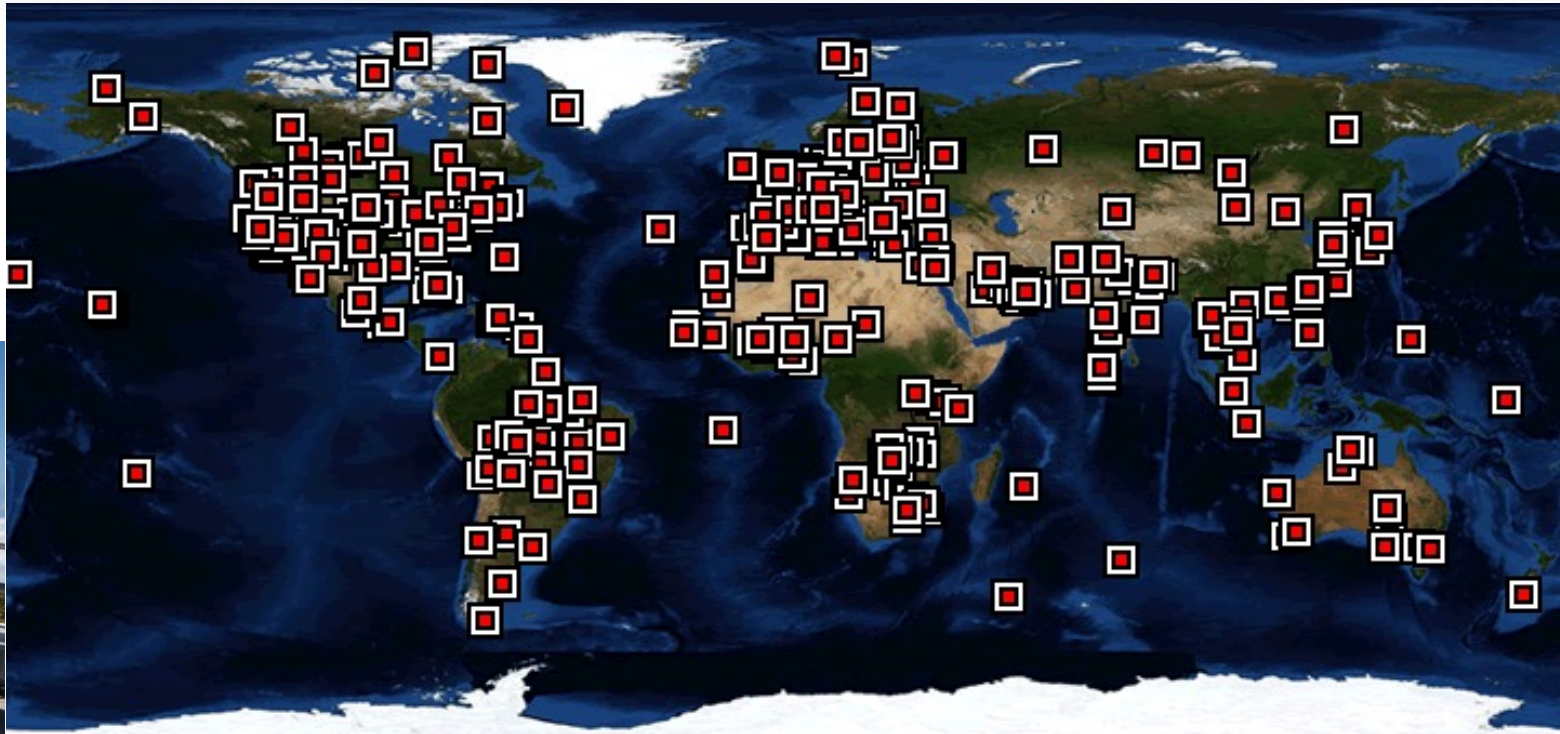
Smirnov et al.  
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## AERONET (AERosol RObotic NETwork)-

<http://aeronet.gsfc.nasa.gov>



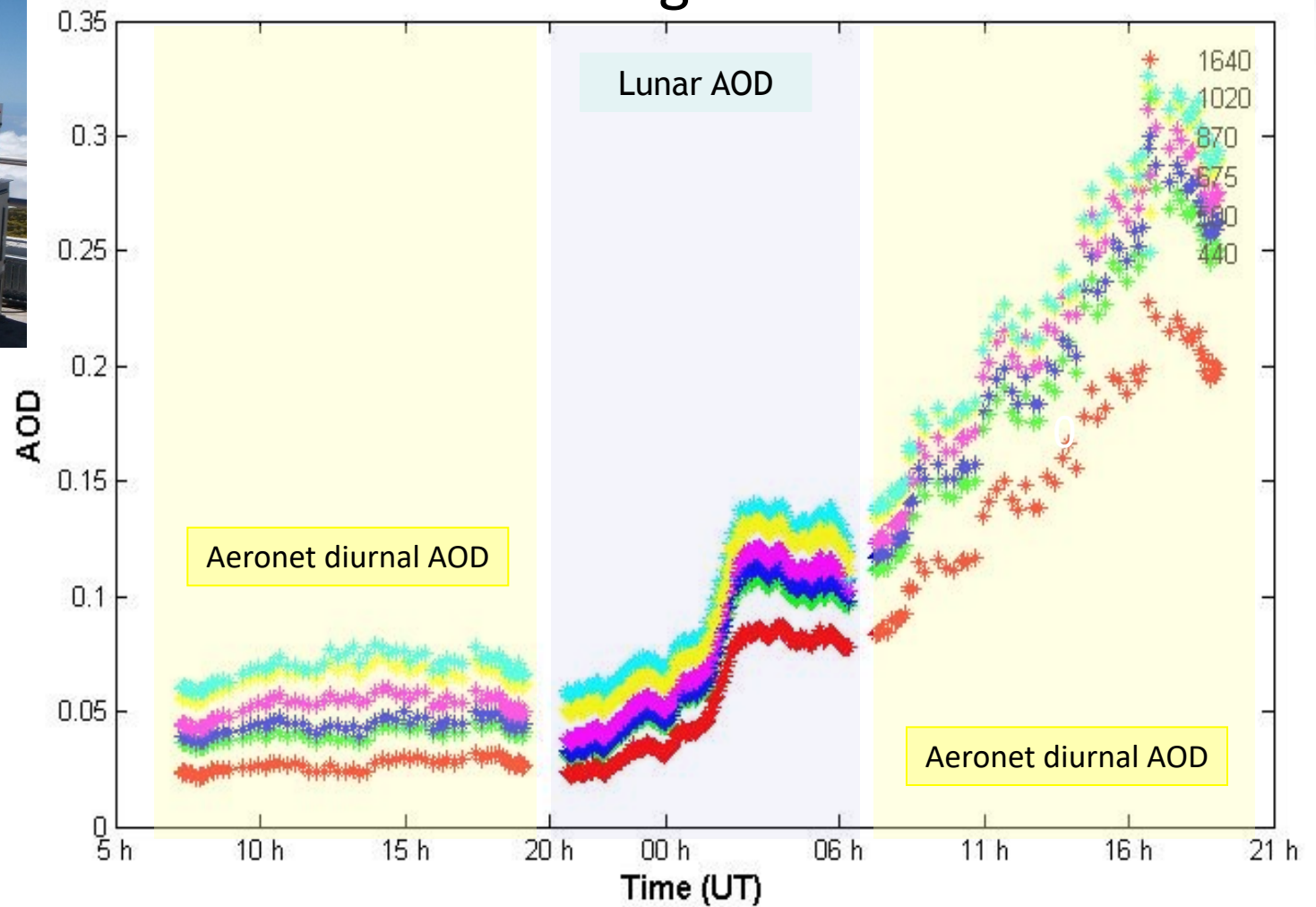
An internationally Federated Network

- Characterization of aerosol optical properties
- Validation of satellite aerosol retrieval
- Near real-time acquisition; long term measurements

## AERONET provides:

- global Aerosol Optical Depth of Dust in near real-time
- robust optical properties of Dust: size distribution, ref. Index, etc. (e.g. Asian Dust has stronger and less spectral dependent absorption than Saharan Dust)
- climatological models that reproduce observed optical properties of aerosol (useful for satellite retrievals)

## AOD 14 August 2011

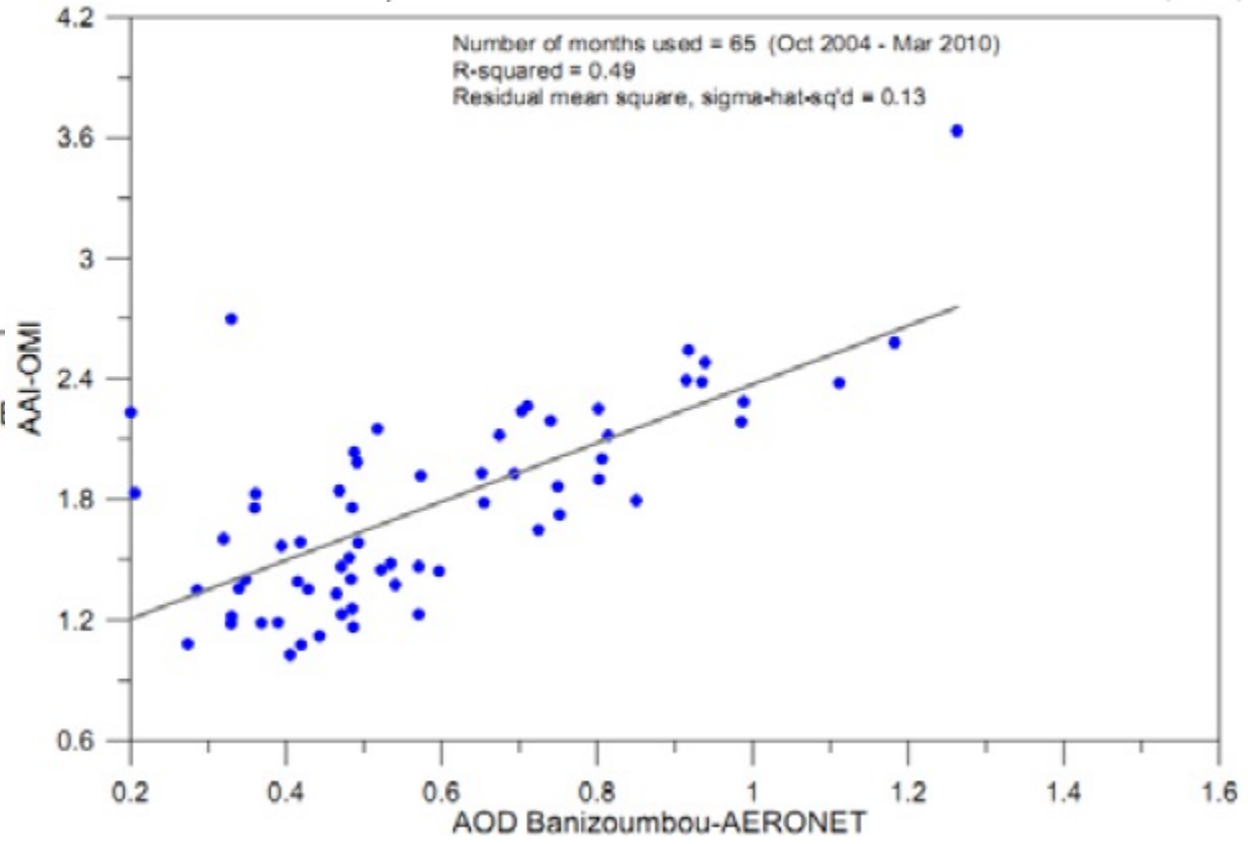
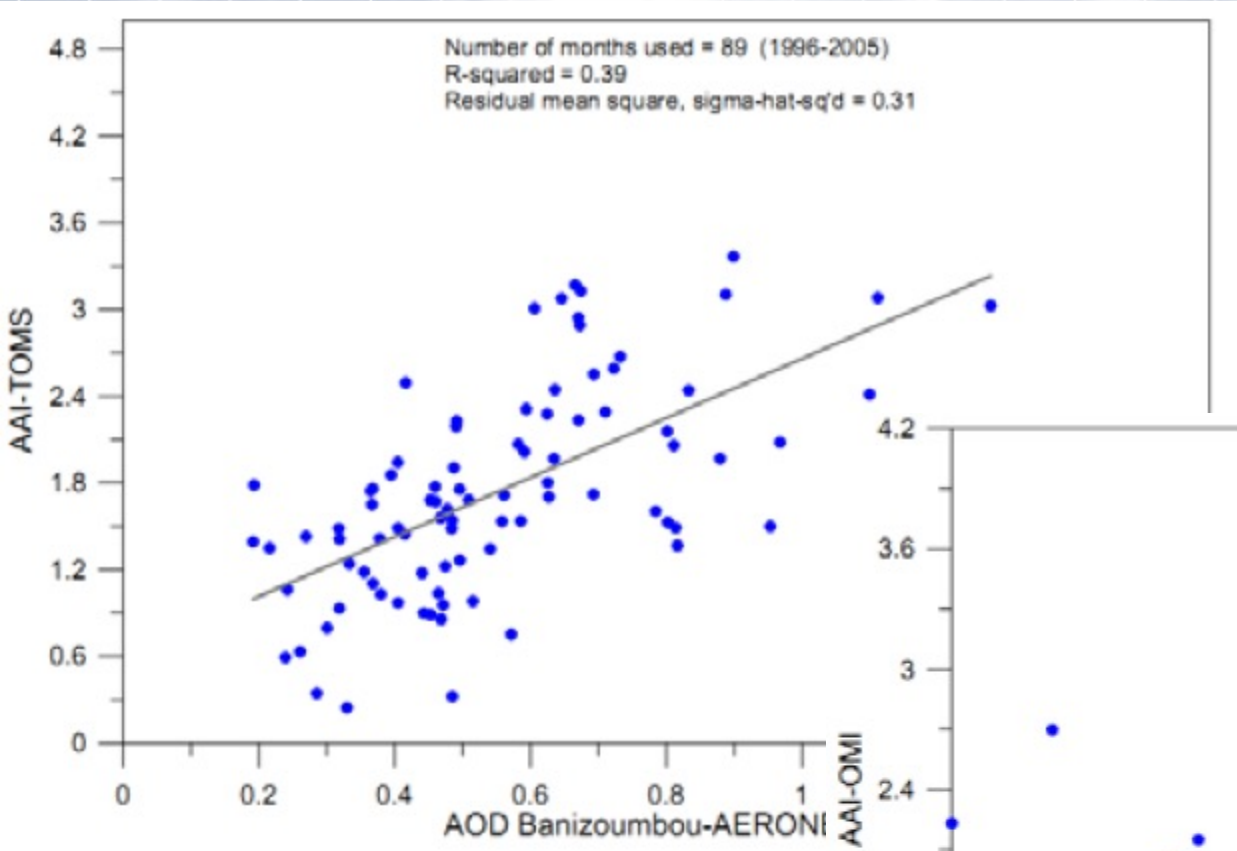


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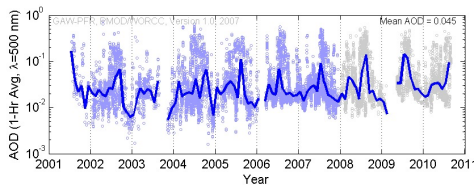
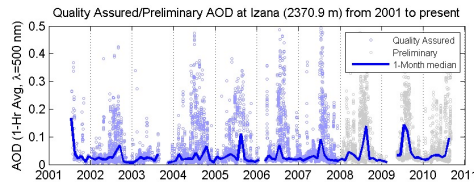
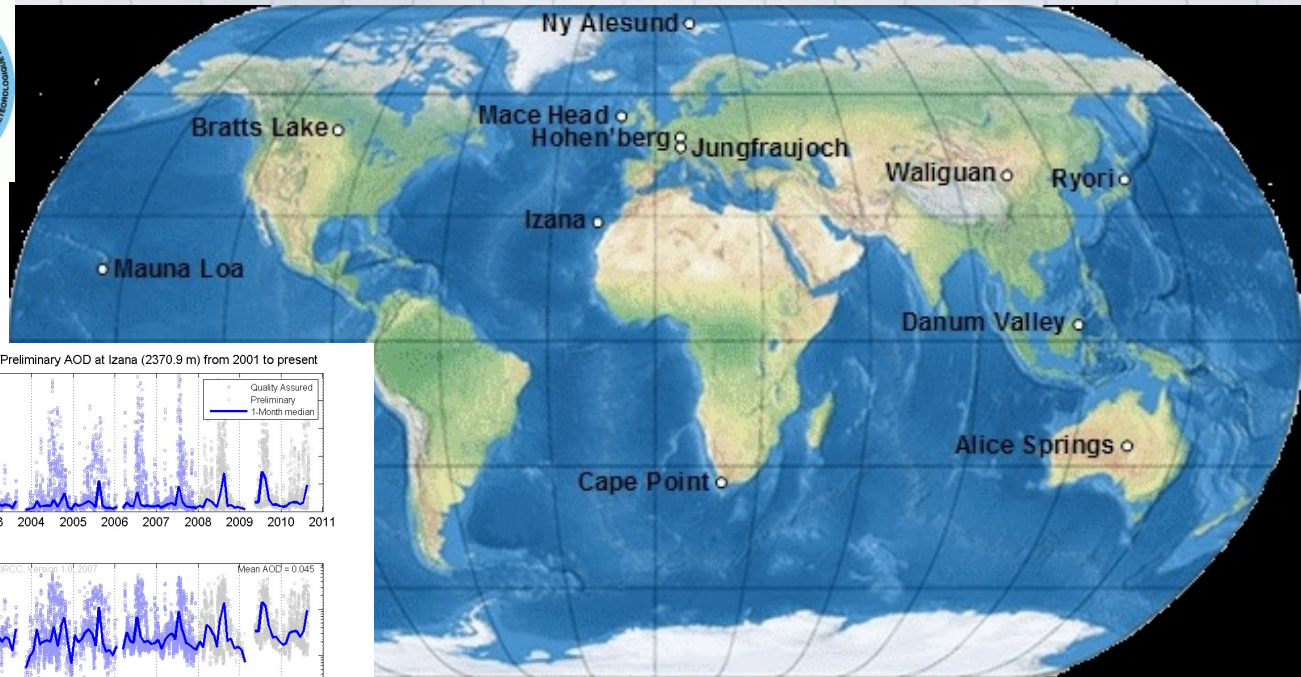
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- Classic extinction measurements at the recommended 4 WMO wavelengths 368, 415, 500 and 862 nm using Precision Filter Radiometers (PFRs).
- Continuous sampling at a 1- minute frequency by automated systems.
- Data products: **AOD** and the **Angström coefficients alpha** and **beta** (no inversions).
- Hourly mean AOD archived at the World Data Center for Aerosols (WDCA). Data with a 1-minute resolution are available from WORCC upon request.

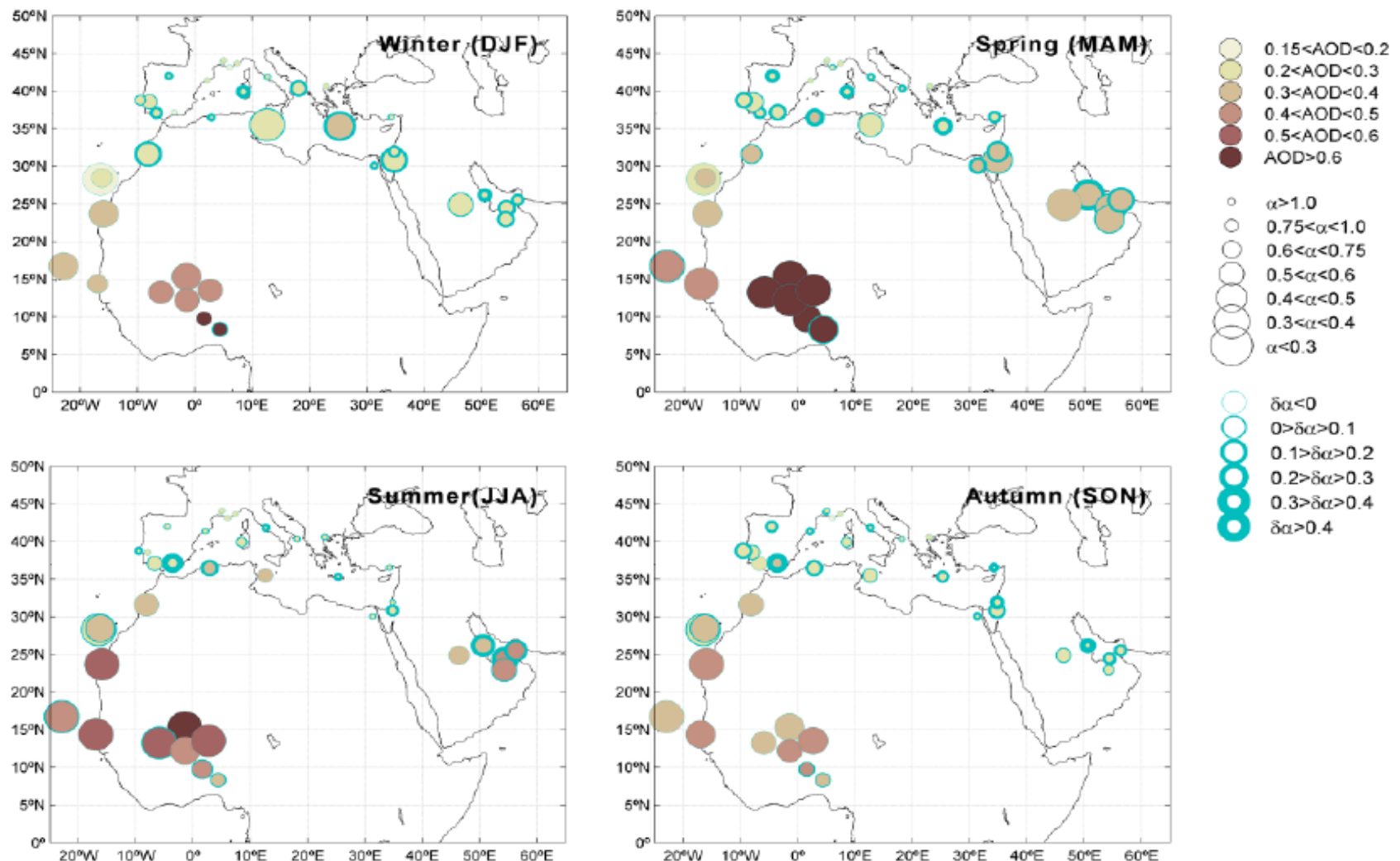
**GAW-PFR provides:**

- **long-term high-accuracy AOD and Angström Coefficients**
- **GAW-PFR provides AOD Dust in near real-time**

## Aerosol characterization in Northern Africa, Northeastern Atlantic, Mediterranean Basin and Middle East from direct-sun AERONET observations

S.Basart, C. Pérez, E. Cuevas, J.M. Baldasano, and G.P. Gobbi

(Atmos. Chem. Phys. October-2009)





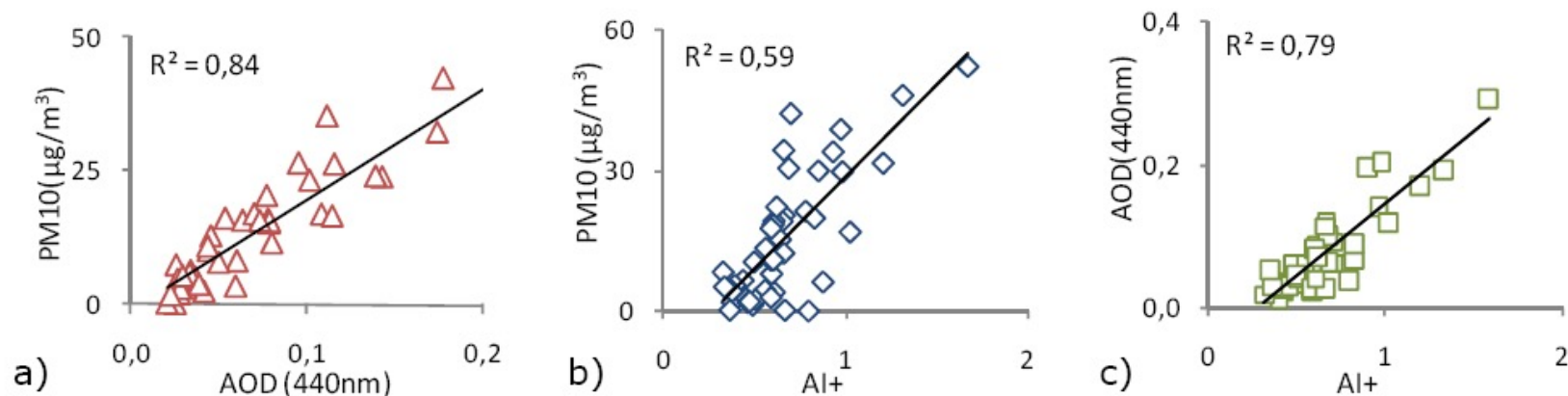


Figure 1. Scatterplot of monthly means of a) AOD vs PM<sub>10</sub>; b) AI positive values vs PM<sub>10</sub>; c) AI positive values vs AOD.

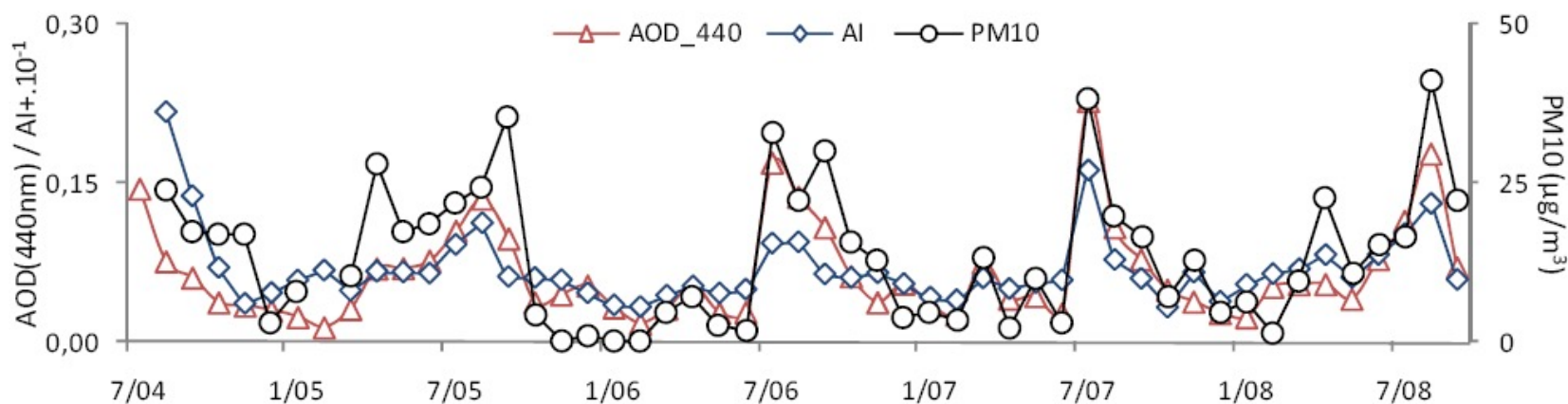


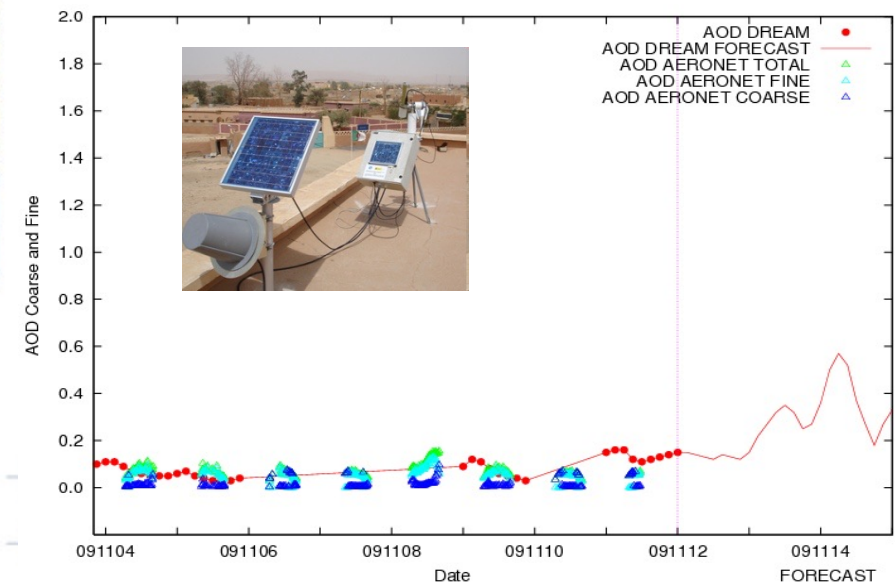
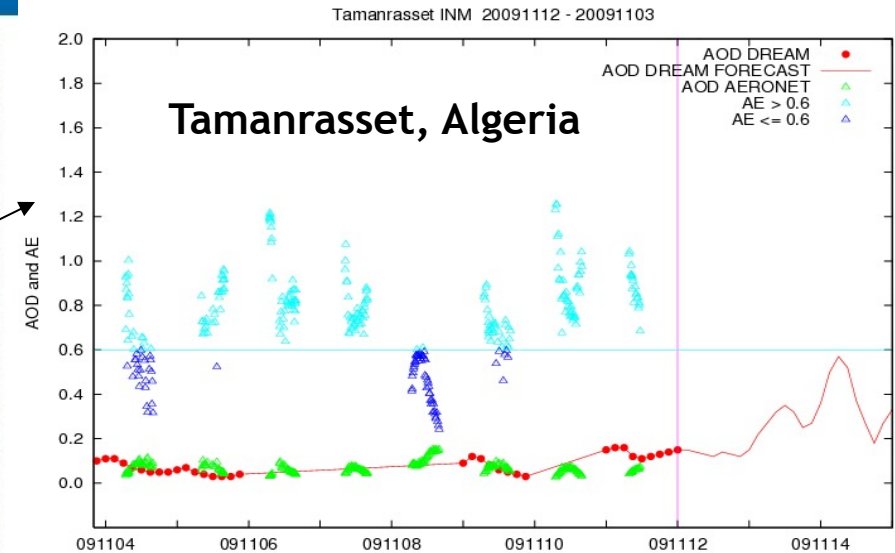
Figure 2. Monthly means of PM<sub>10</sub> (µg/m³), AOD and AI positive values.

**Adam et al., 2010 (ACP-Interlaken):** Detection of the Saharan dust air layer in the North Atlantic free troposphere with AERONET, OMI and in-situ data at Izaña Atmospheric Observatory



AERONET Verification    MSG Verification    MODIS Real-Time

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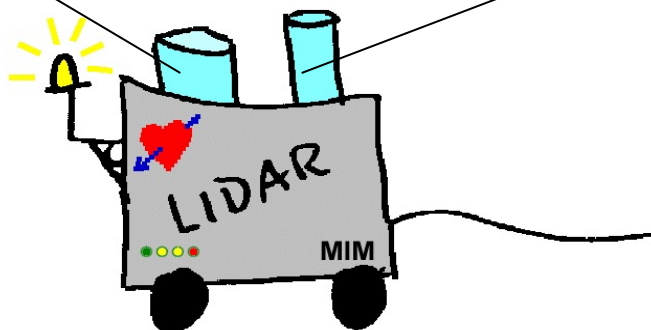
Near real time model verification against AERONET data

From total column observations...  
to vertical resolved observations

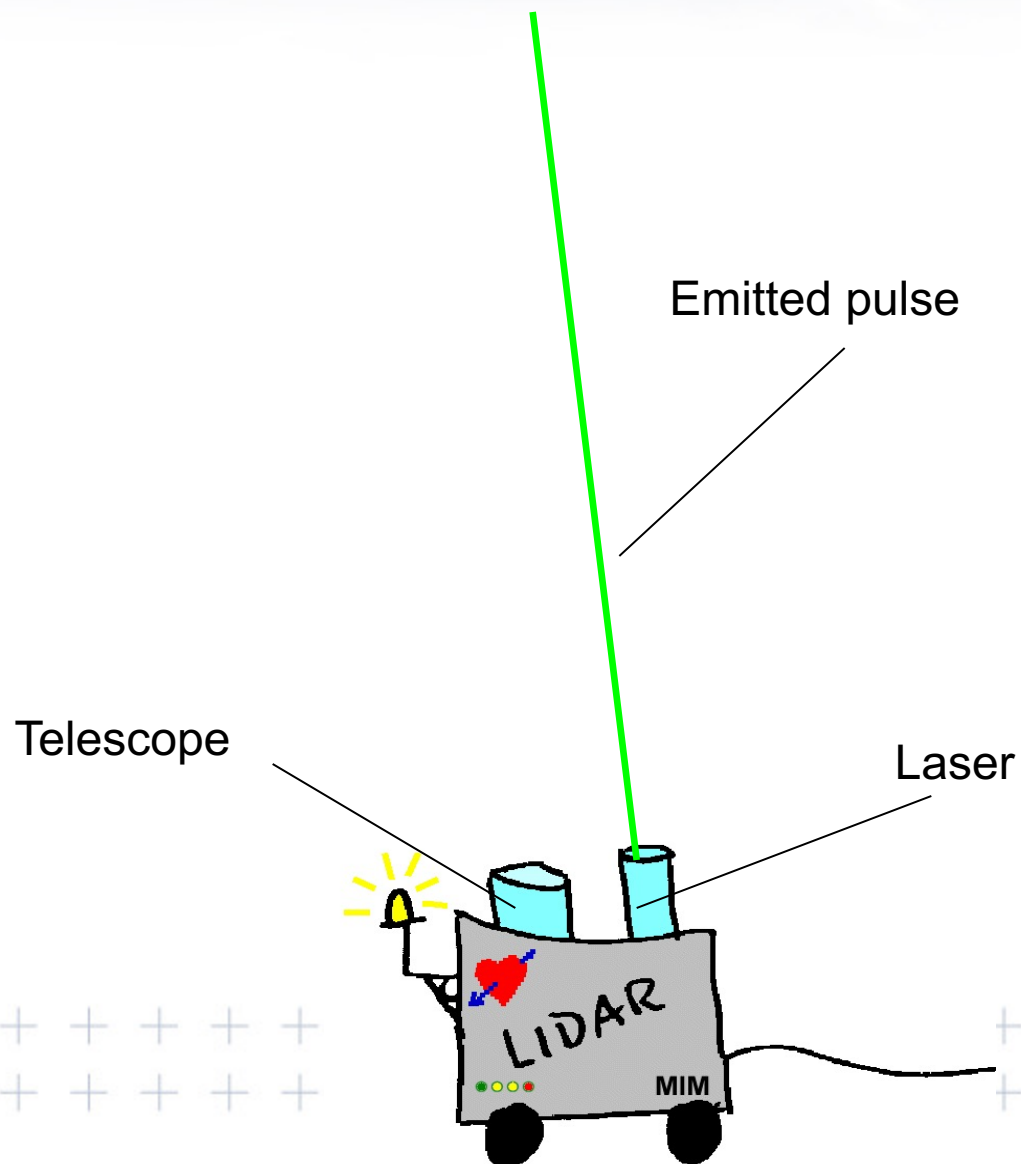
Lidars

Telescope

Laser

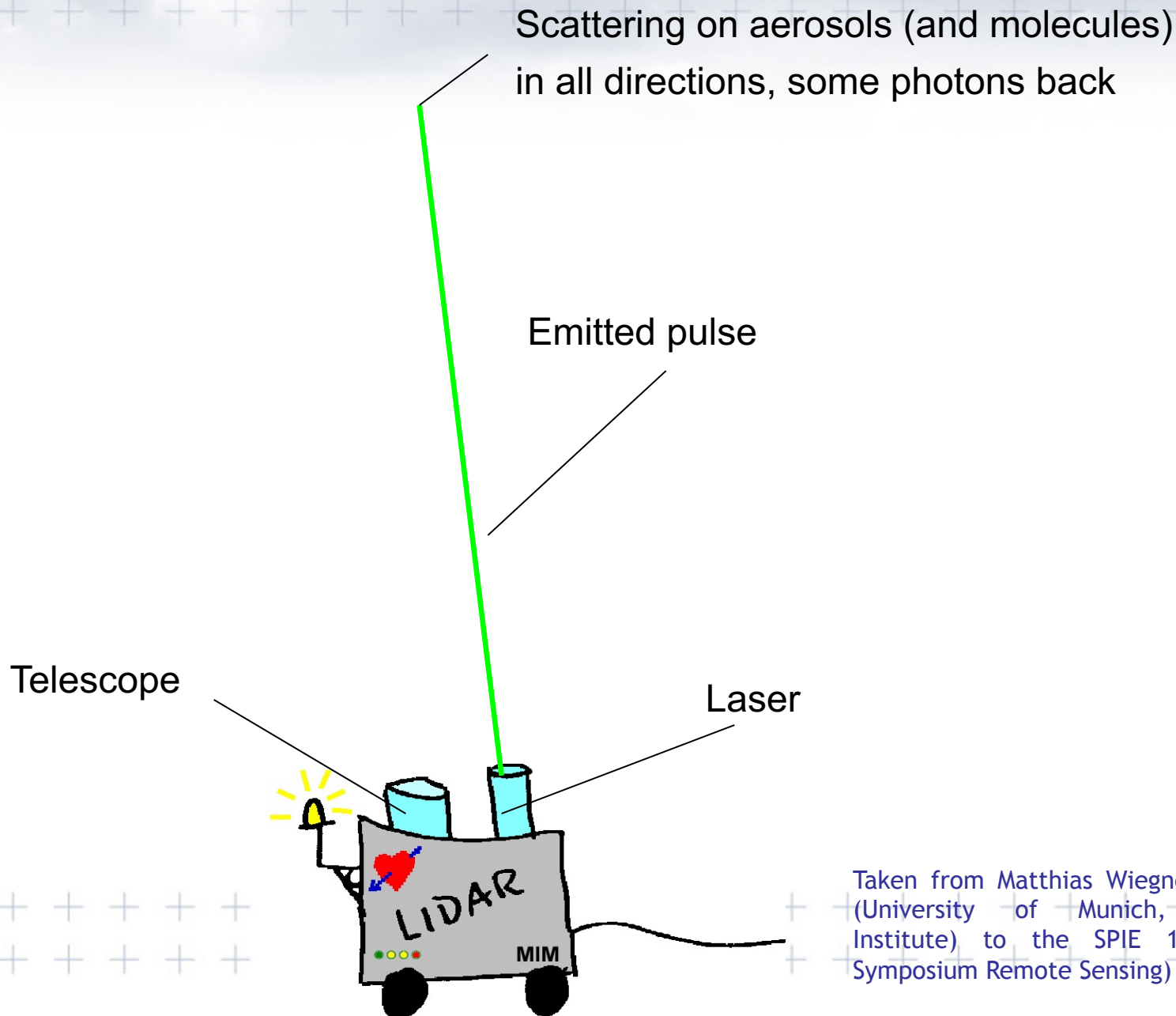


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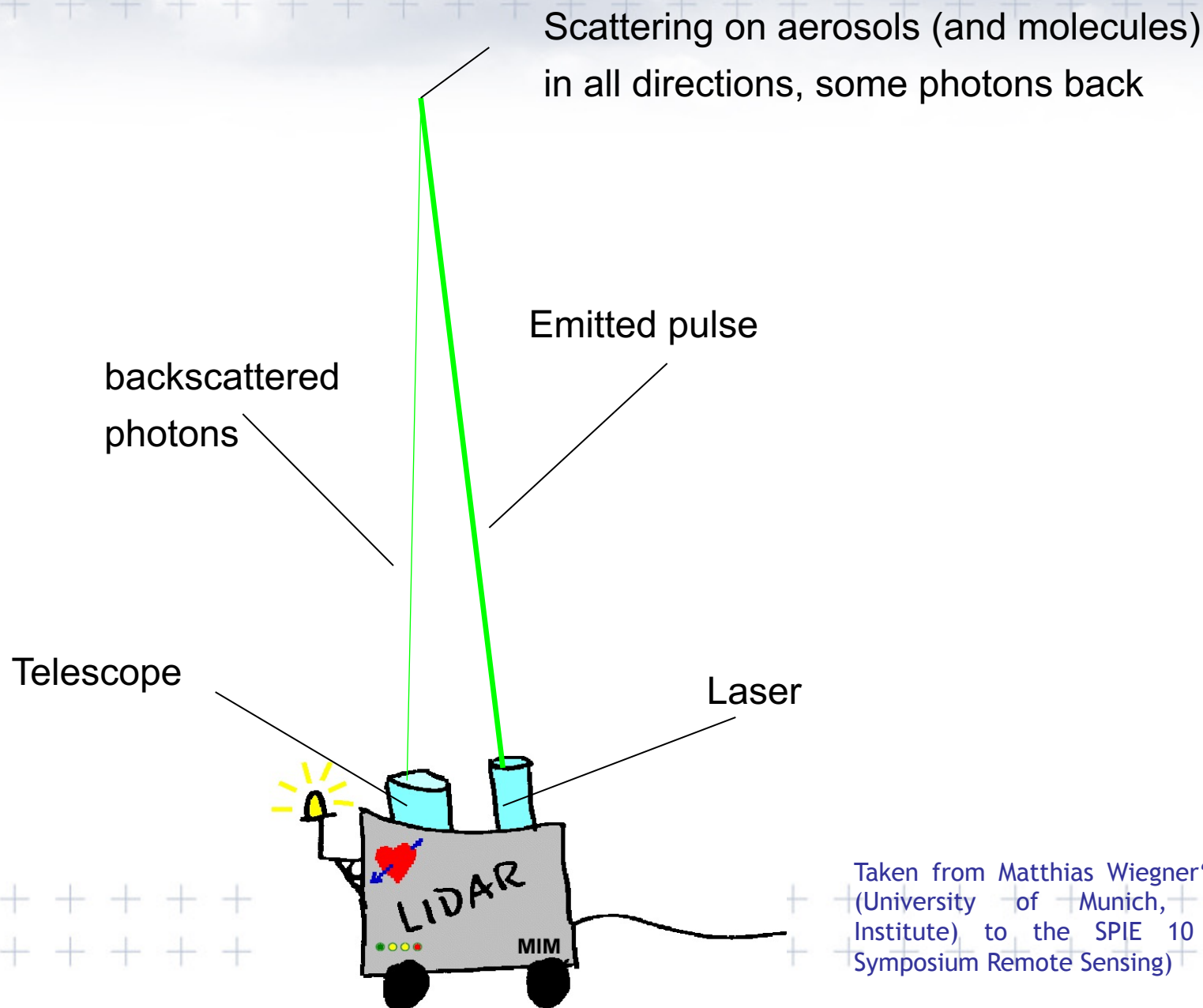


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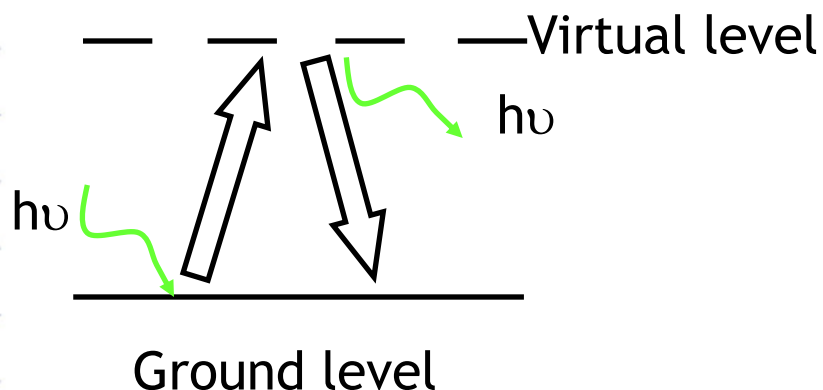
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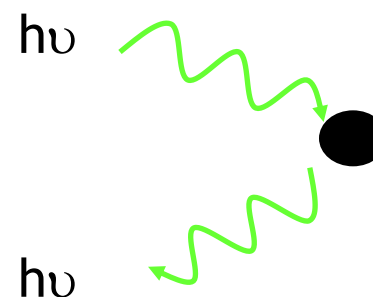
- Rayleigh Scattering

“Laser radiation elastically scattered from atoms or molecules is observed with no change of frequency”



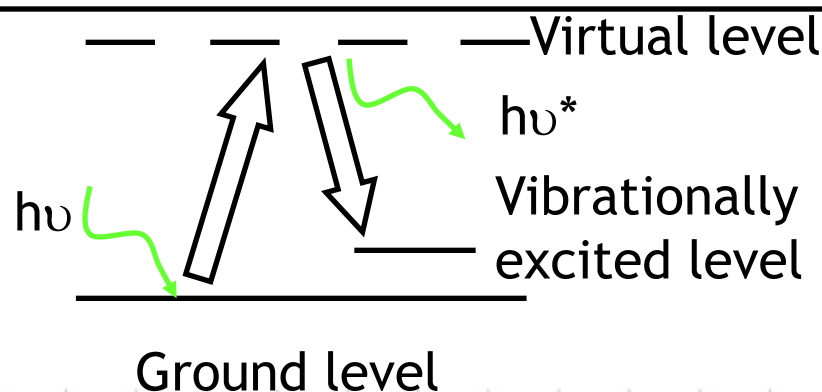
- Mie Scattering

“Laser radiation elastically scattered from small particulates or aerosols (of size comparable to wavelength of radiation) is observed with no change in frequency”



- Raman Scattering

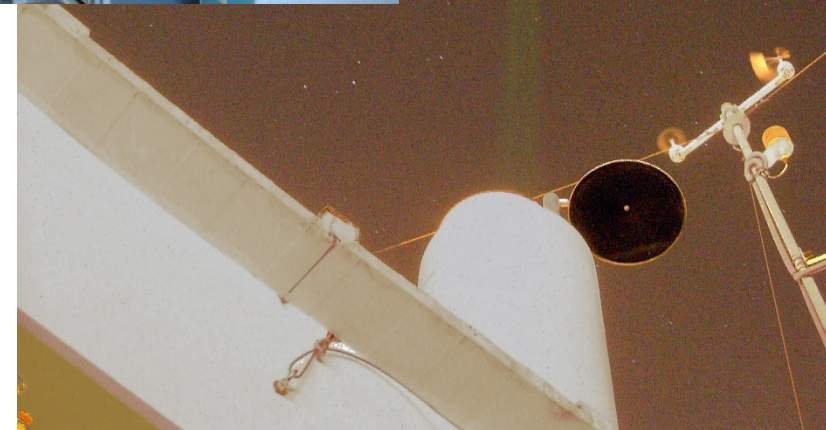
“Laser radiation inelastically scattered from molecules is observed with a frequency shift characteristic of the molecule ( $h\nu - h\nu^* = E$ )”







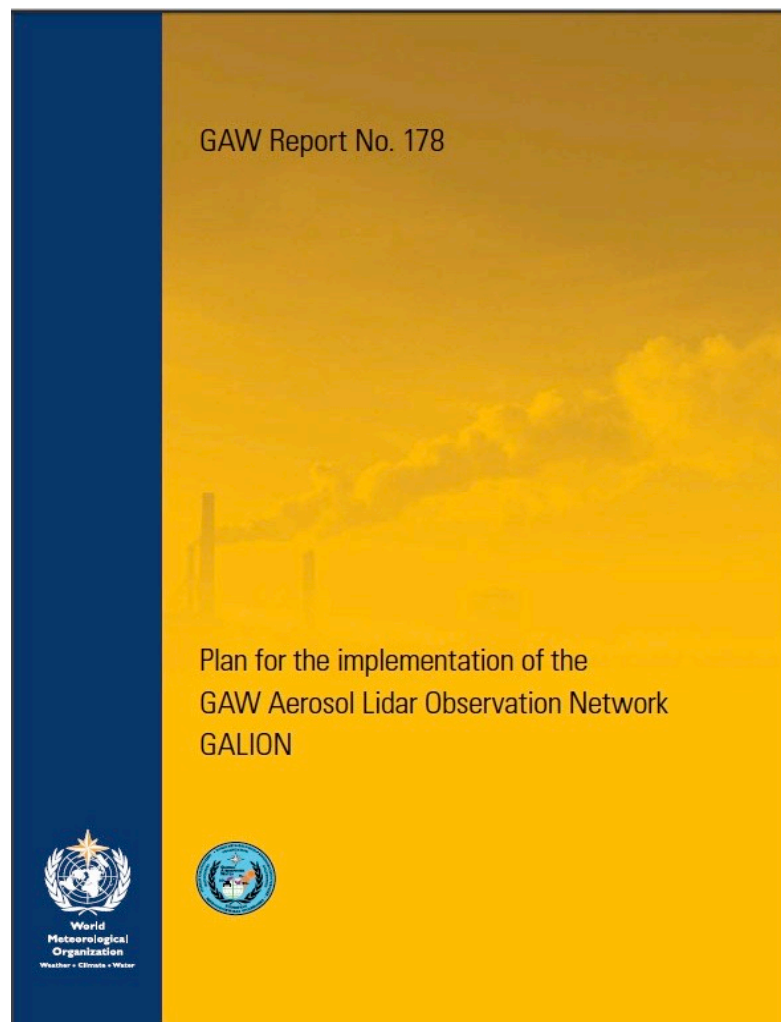
Lidar-Barcelona (UPC)  
Raman Lidar  
EARLINET-SPALINET



Lidar-Tenerife (INTA-AEMET); Elastic lidar  
MPLNET

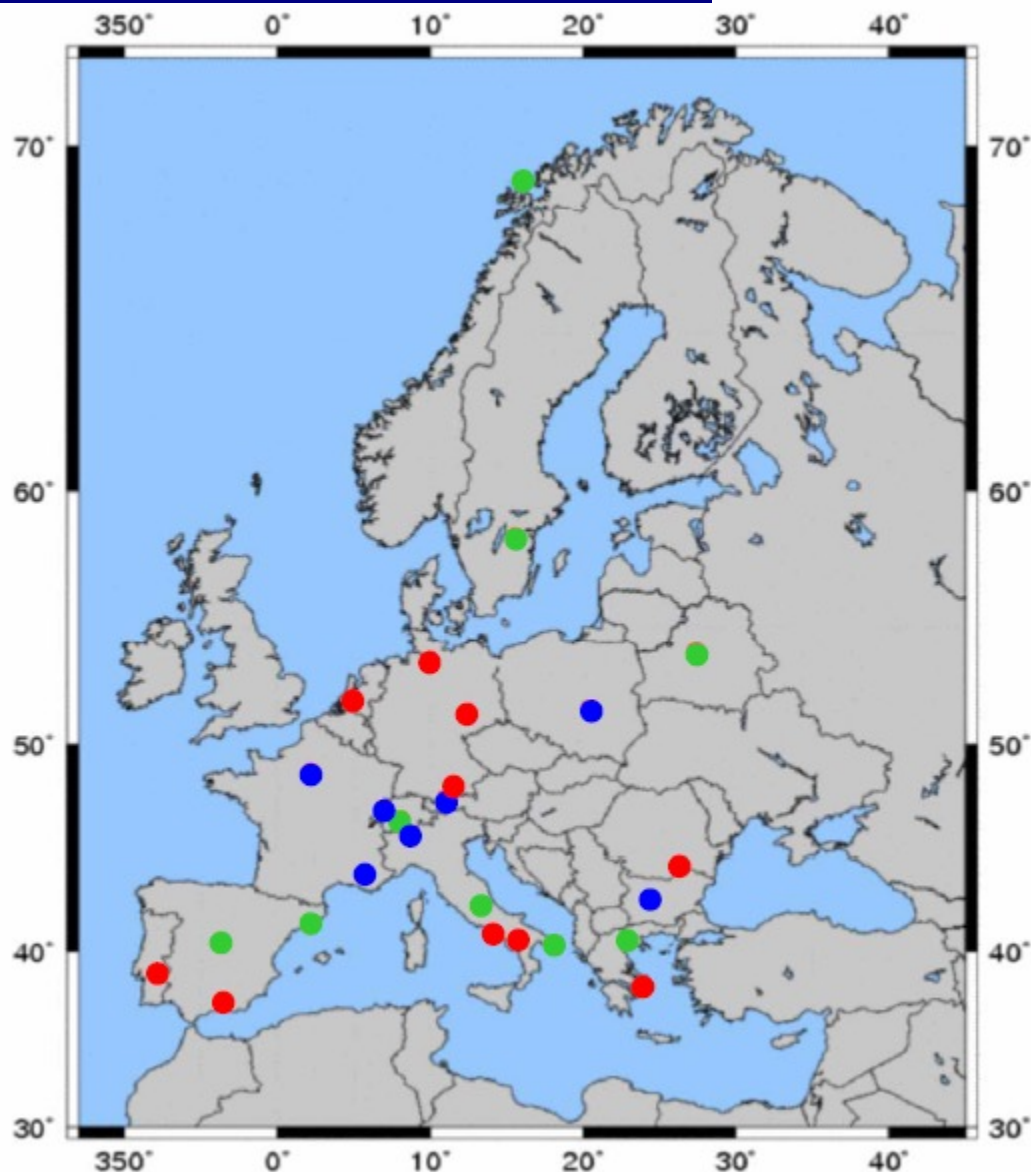


## GAW Atmospheric Lidar Network (GALION)



[ftp://ftp.wmo.int/Documents/  
PublicWeb/arep/gaw/gaw178-  
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## EARLINET

**EARLINET (European Aerosol Research Lidar NETwork)** is a network of advanced lidar stations distributed over Europe with the main goal to provide a comprehensive, quantitative, and statistically significant data base for the aerosol distribution on a continental scale. EARLINET provides independent measurements of aerosol extinction and backscatter, and retrieval of aerosol microphysical properties.

10 EARLINET stations are equipped also with sunphotometers (they are part of AERONET).

### 26 lidar stations

- 10 multiwavelength Raman lidar stations

backscatter (355, 532 and 1064 nm)  
+ extinction (355 and 532 nm) +  
depolar ratio (532 nm)

- 9 Raman lidar stations

- 7 single backscatter lidar stations

## Aerosol lidar (MPLNet)

<http://mplnet.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

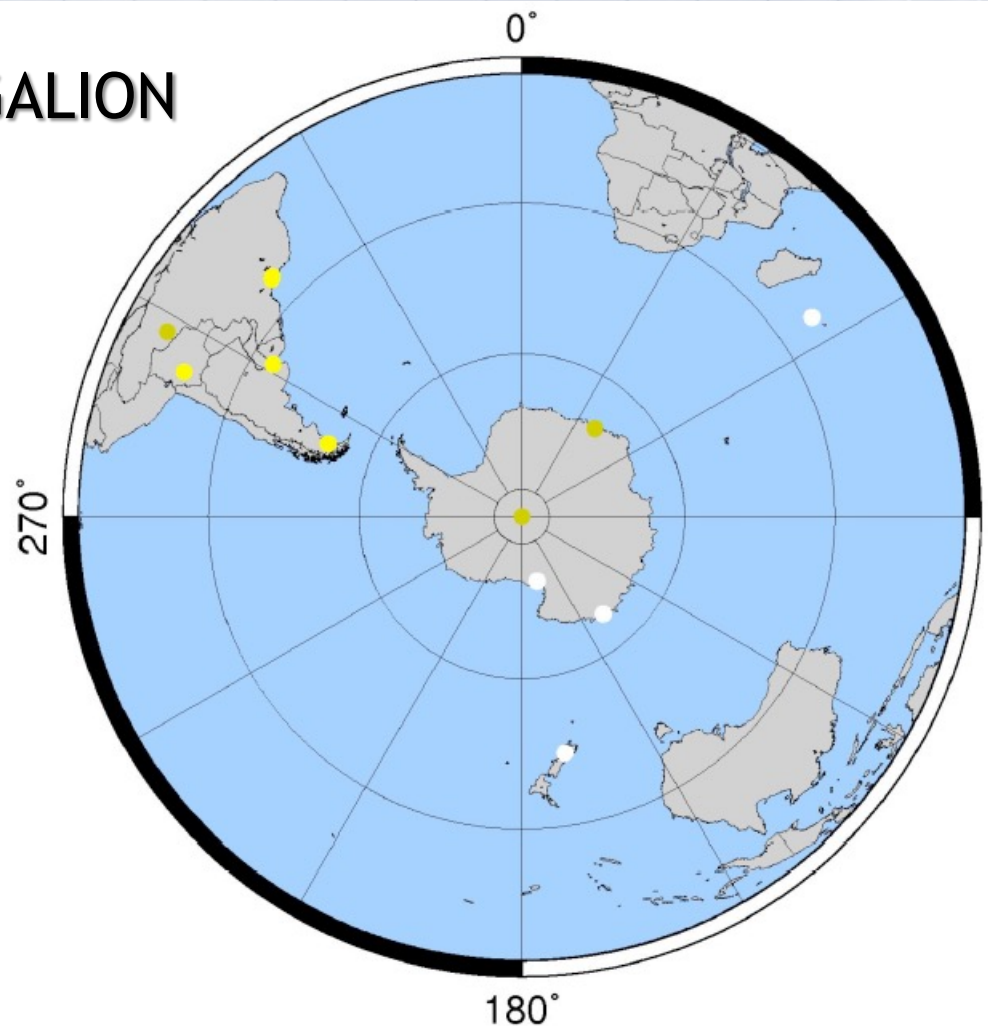
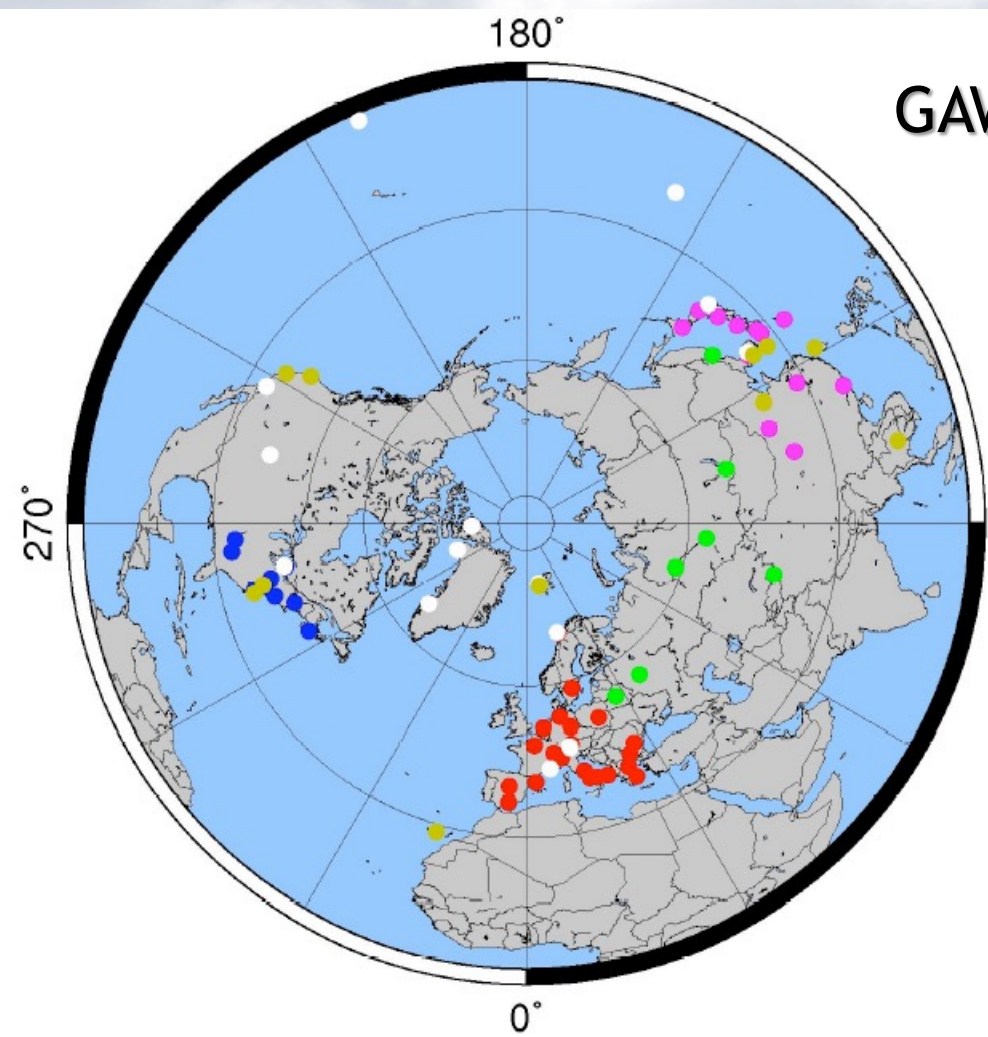


523 nm MPLNET  
Automatized since July 2005



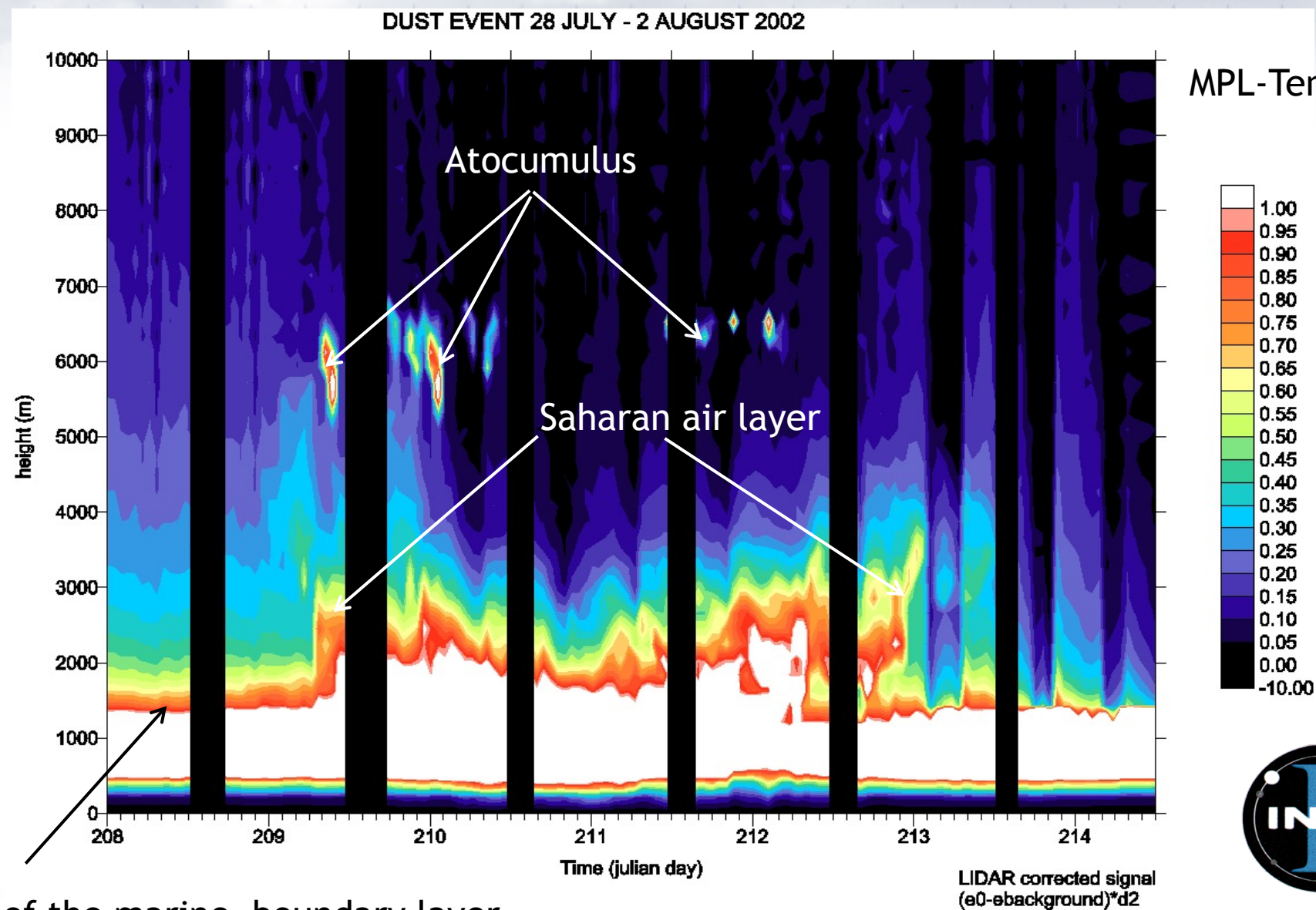


## GAW-GALION



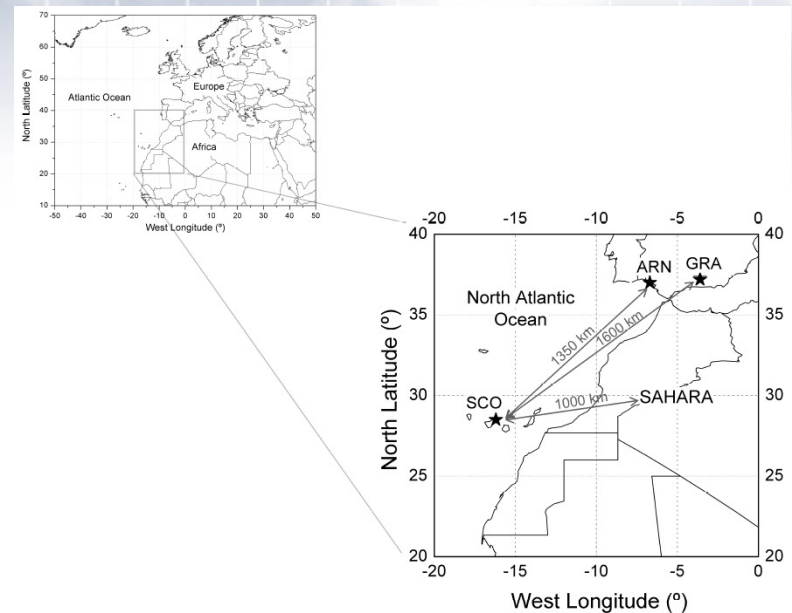
Distribution of stations as available through the cooperation between existing networks: **AD-NET** , **ALINE** , **CISLiNet** , **EARLINET** , **MPLNET** , NDACC , **REALM** .





MPL-Tenerife

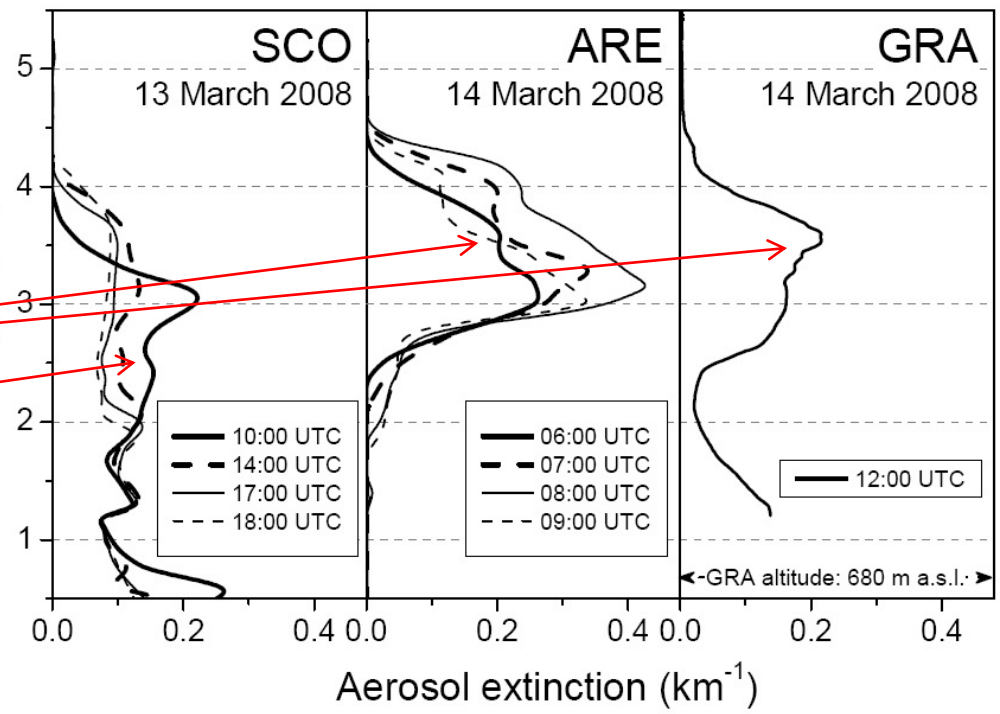
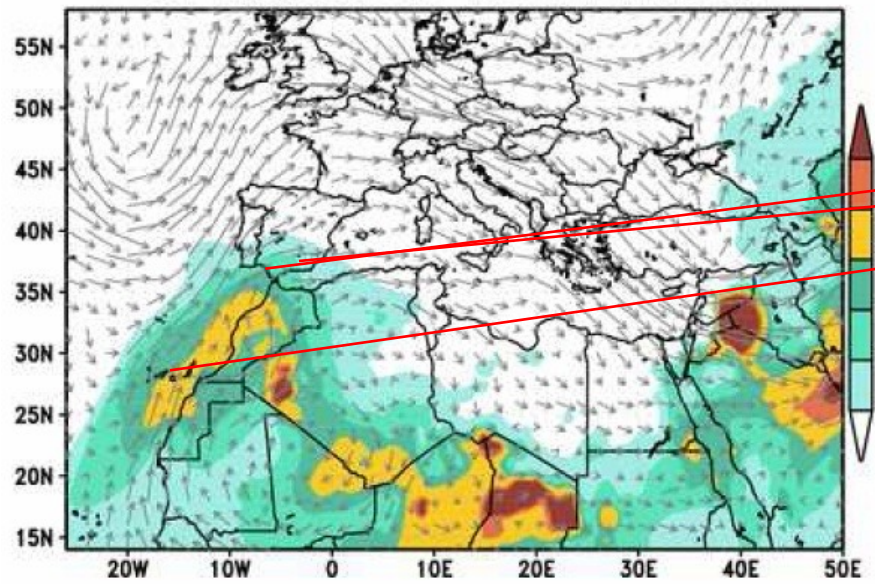




## A case study of dust transport from Canary Islands to Iberian Peninsula

Córdoba-Jabonero et al., ACP Discuss., 2010

BSC/DREAM Dust Loading ( $\text{g}/\text{m}^2$ ) and 3000m Wind  
0h forecast for 12z 14 MAR 08

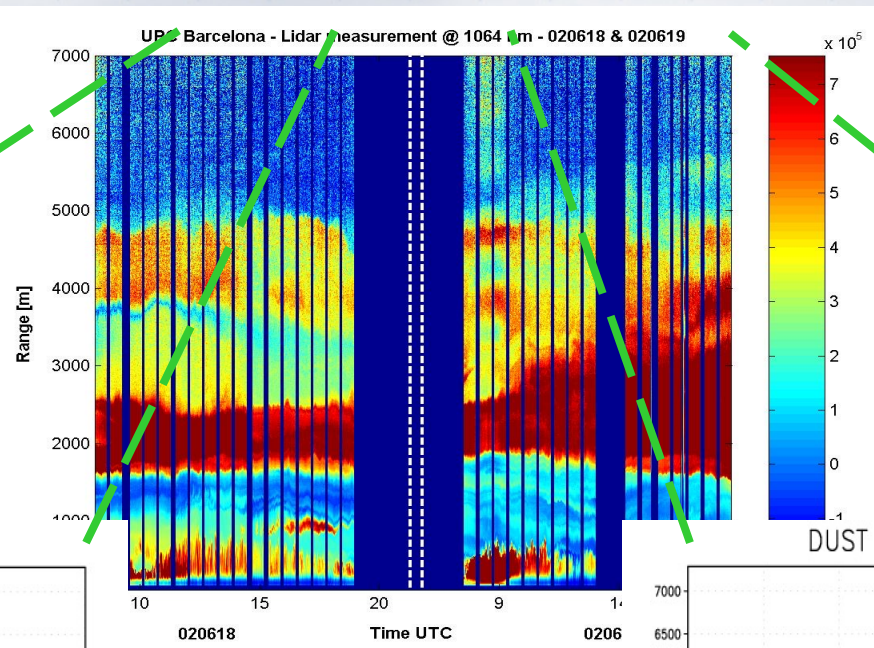
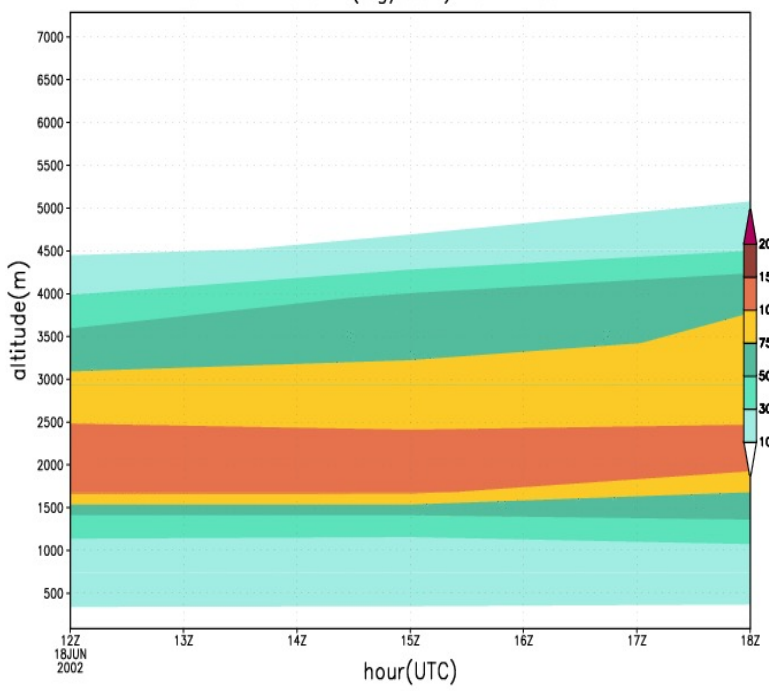




## Barcelona lidar vs DREAM BSC



DUST CONC. ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) 18 JUN 2002

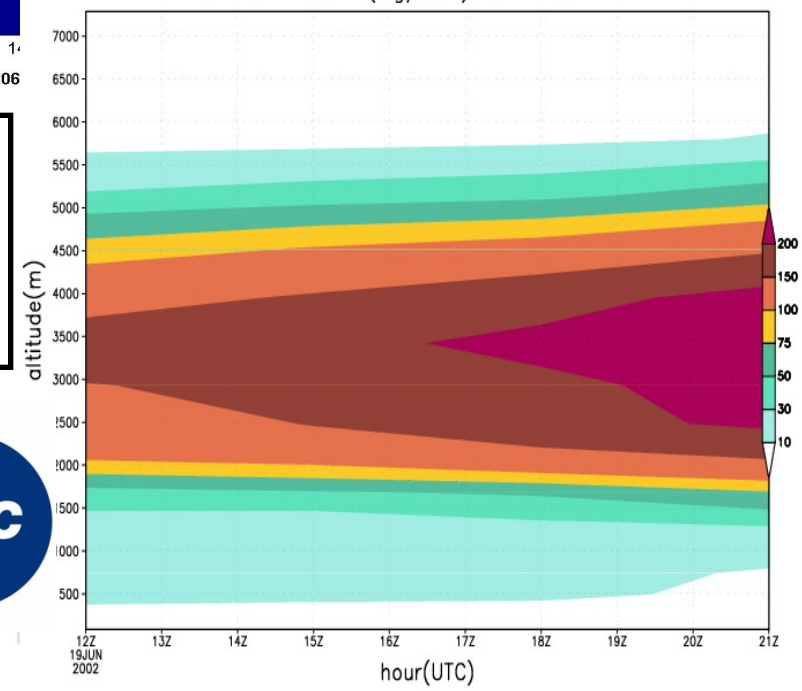


EARLINET: Lidar-UPC,  
Barcelona

18-19 June 2002

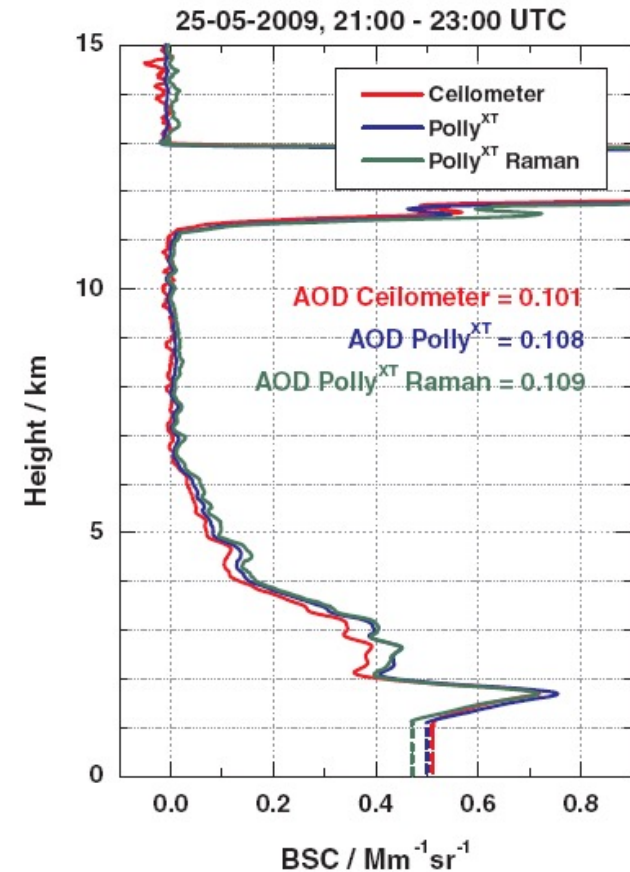
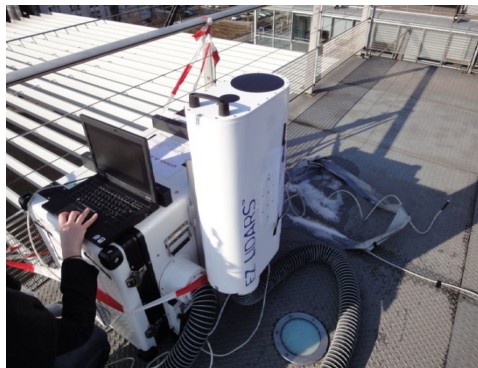
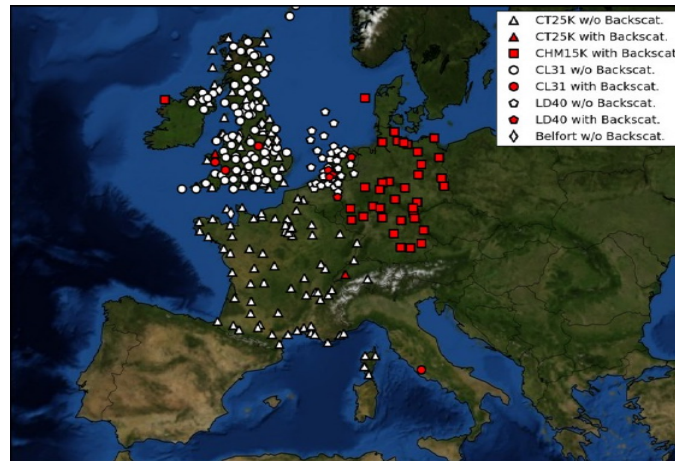
DUST CONC. ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) 19 JUN 2002

Vertical dust  
distribution  
validation:  
AIRLINET-DREAM



Met Services are replacing cloud-base ceilometer networks by aerosol backscatter profiling ceilometers (IR wavelength).

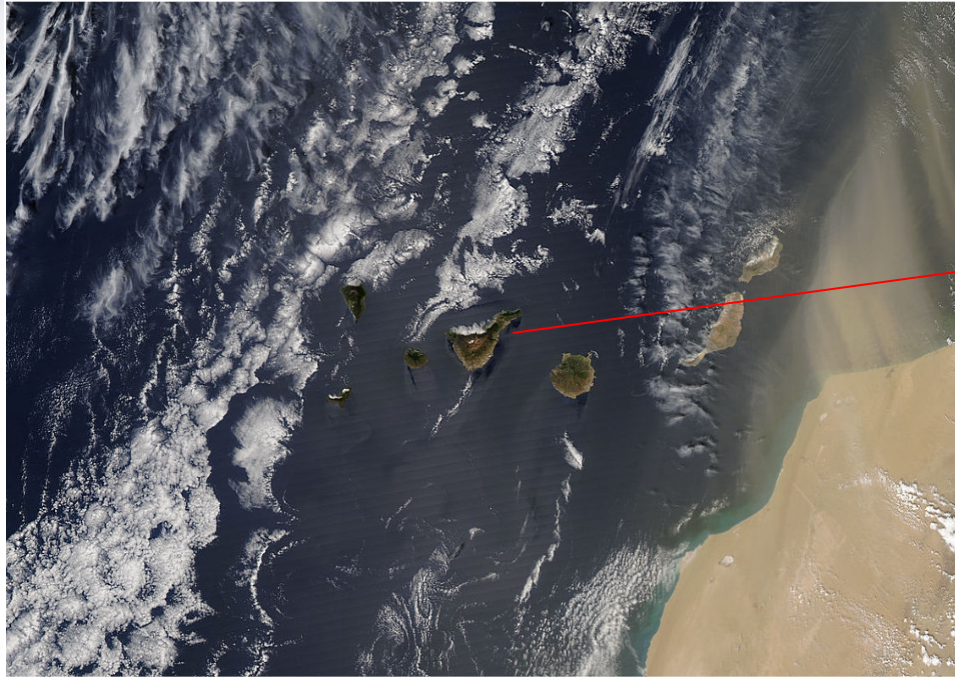
Objective: To monitor MLD (Mixing Layer Depth) based on several hundred profiling ceilometers (100km sampling)



*Heese et al., Atmos. Mes. Tech. 2010, Ceilometer-lidar inter-comparison: backscatter coefficient retrieval and signal-to-noise ratio determination*

**Optimal for desertic areas !!**





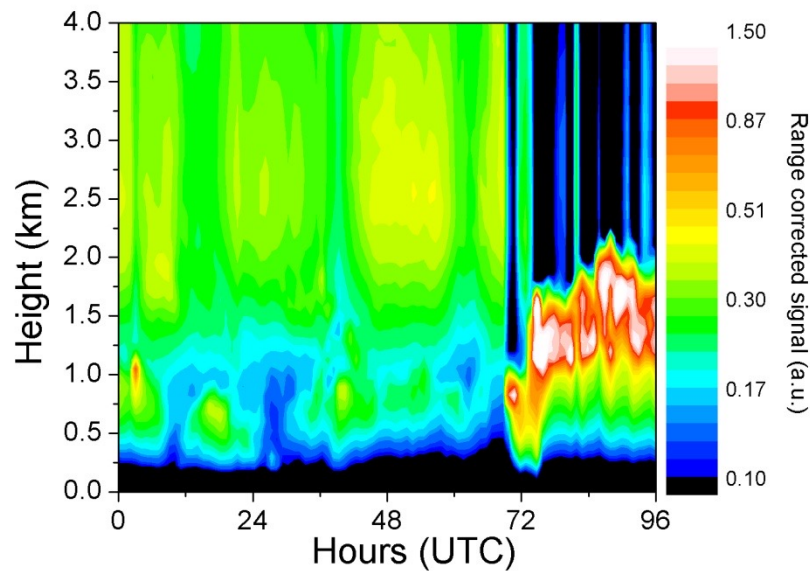
Viasala Ceilometer  
CL-51

## MicroPulse Lidar and Ceilometer inter-comparison during Saharan dust intrusions over the Canary Islands

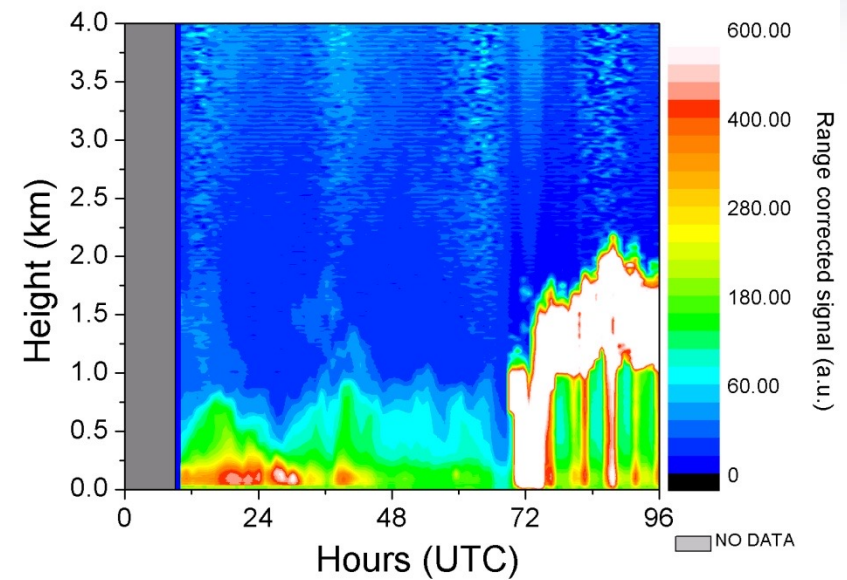
Y. Hernández, S. Alonso-Pérez, E. Cuevas, C. Camino, R. Ramos, J. de Bustos, C. Marrero, C. Córdoba-Jabonero and M. Gil (2011)

**Campaign performed from January to March 2011 in Tenerife island**

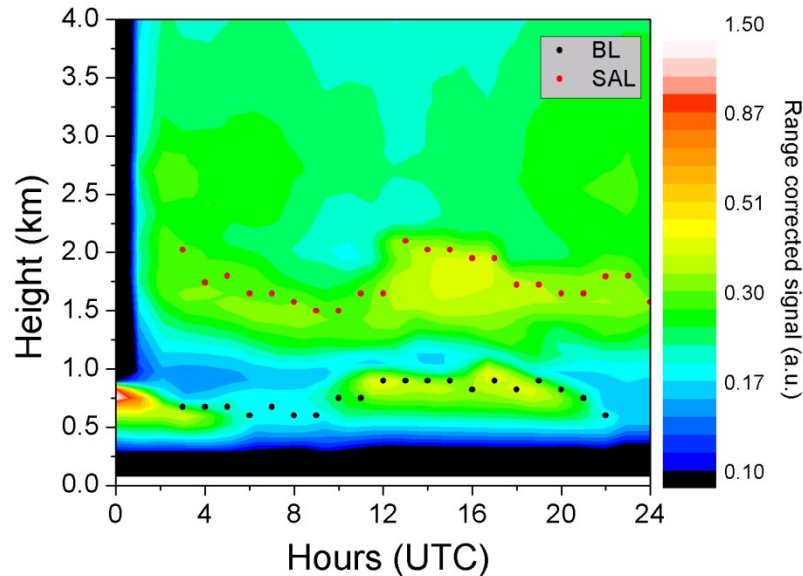
MPL-3 - Sta. Cruz de Tenerife. Mar 31- Apr 3, 2011



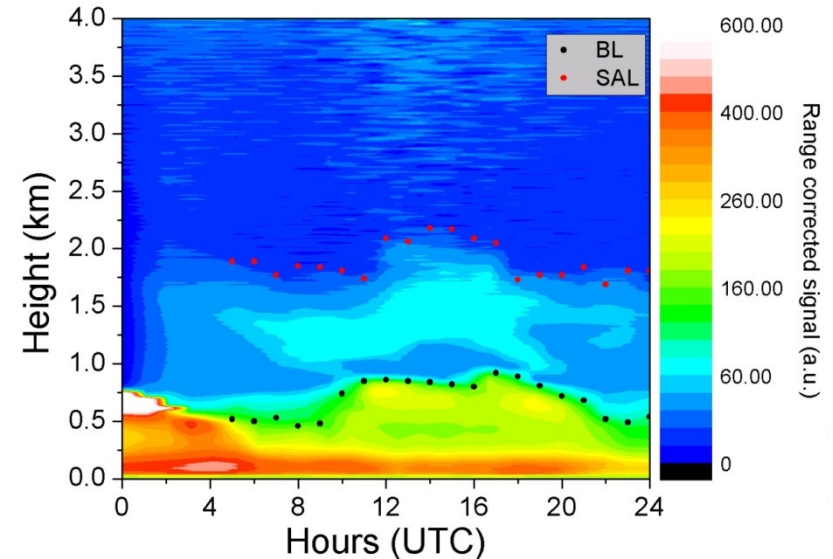
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MPL-3 - Sta. Cruz de Tenerife. Feb 24, 2011

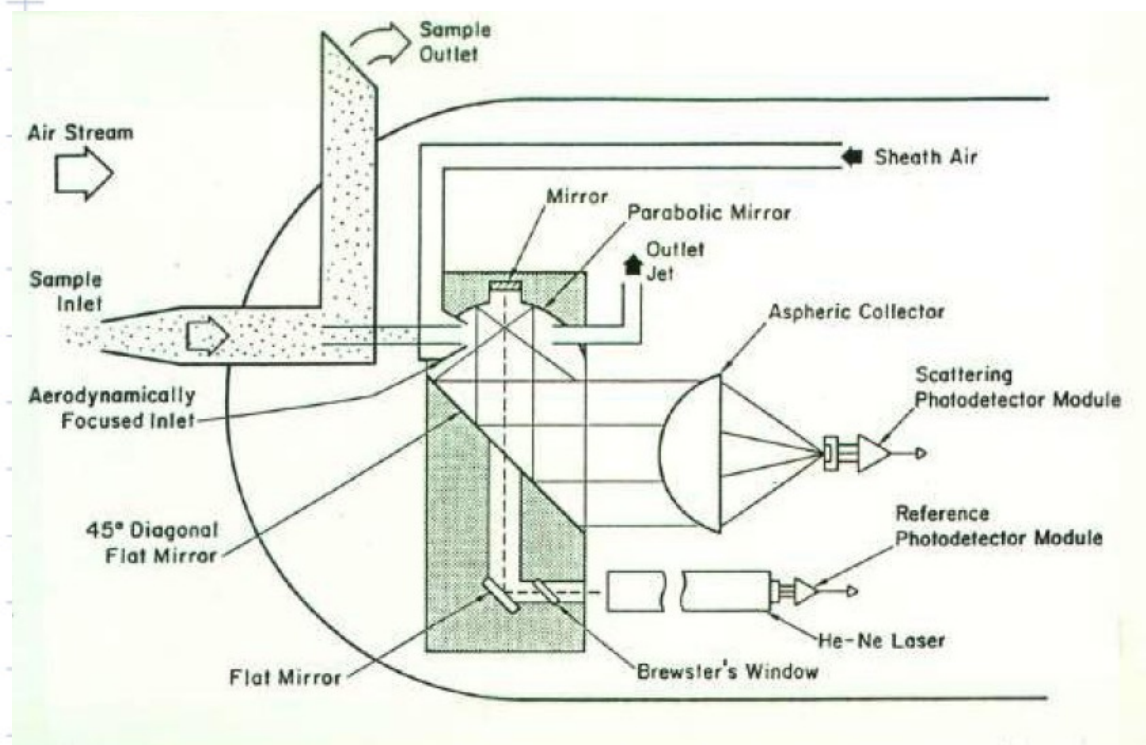


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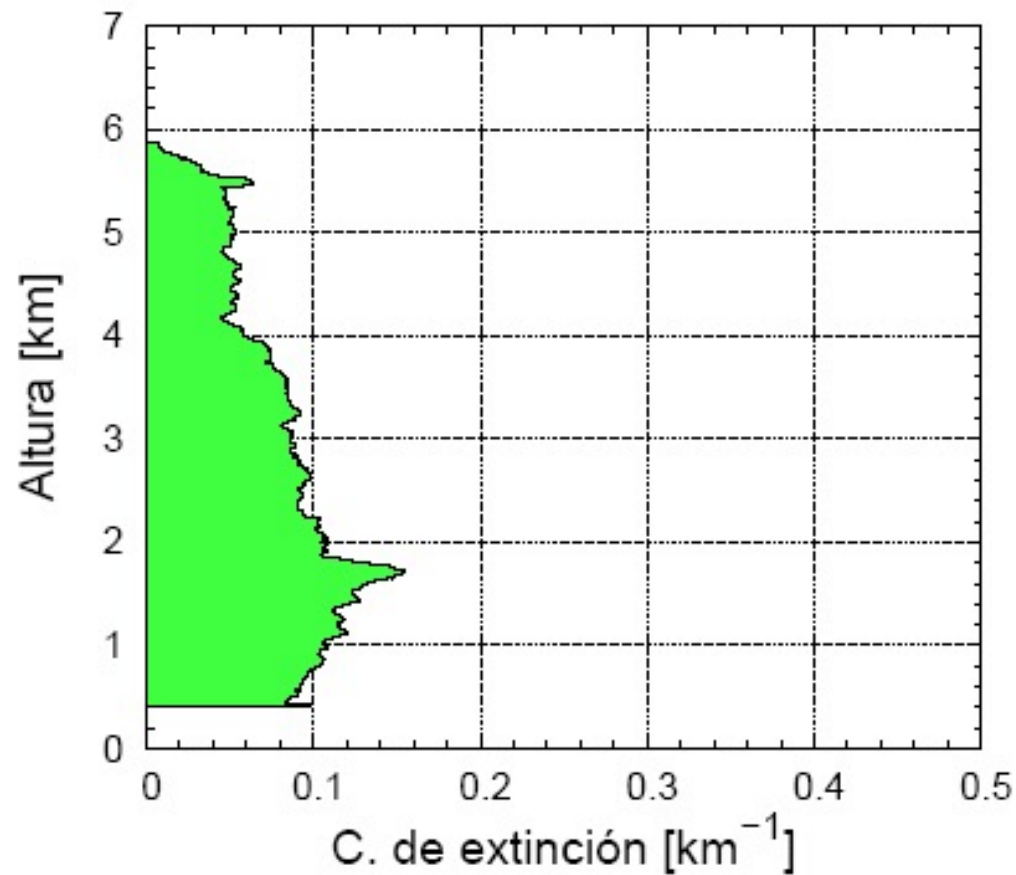
## PCASP-100X sonde

Optical counter  
0.1 - 3.0  $\mu\text{m}$  en 15 channels  
Up to 20,000 particles /s  
A size distribution /s

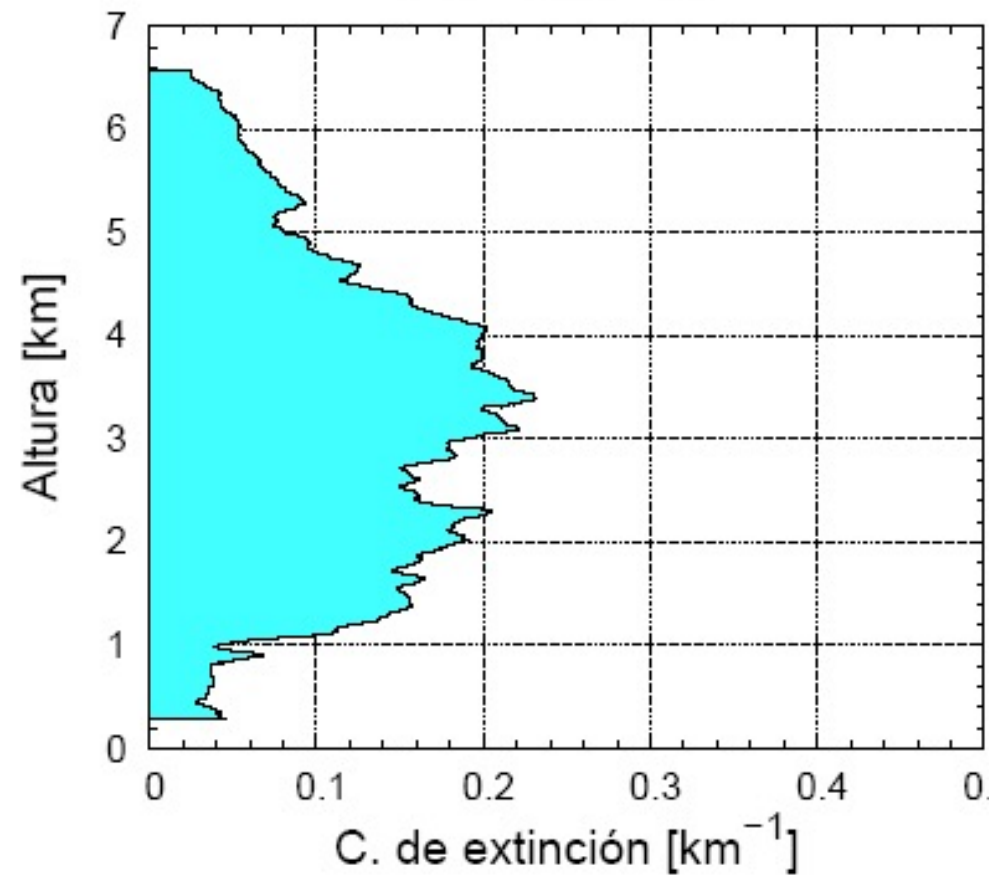




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Andrey, 2011 (PhD)



## In-situ measurements and surface remote sensing compared to satellite

### Advantages

### Disadvantages

In-situ  
measurements

Ground-based  
remote sensing

Satellite remote  
sensing

## In-situ measurements and surface remote sensing compared to satellite

### Advantages

#### In-situ measurements

- very straightforward;
- unique dust physical and chemical information;
- universal applicability (no sky conditions dependent)
- Time high resolution (minutes)

#### Ground-based remote sensing

- high information on dust (transmitted light dominates over reflected);
- non-intrusive measurements;
- easy access to equipment;
- column dust information

#### Satellite remote sensing

- global coverage; (global dust)
- non-intrusive measurements

### Disadvantages

- intrusive measurements;
- local coverage in some sites

- local coverage;
- indirect measurements;
- very limited capability in presence of clouds (Photom.)

- limited on information aerosol (aerosol and surface effects to be separated);
- no access to equipment

Ground-based dust observations are essential for:

- High-accuracy optical and chemical characterization of dust
- Dust model verification, validation and assimilation
- Dust satellite-based products validation

Ground based ‘supersites’ equipped with complete high-quality dust observation programs (in-situ and remote sensing) constitute unique platforms for satellite-based dust observations and dust models quality assurance

## In-situ observations & long term monitoring:

mass concentration:

bulk aerosol mass (TSP,  $PM_{10}$ ,  $PM_{2.5}$ )

bulk dust mass (total dust,  $dust_{10}$ ,  $dust_{2.5}$ ): 1 or more tracers methods

chemical composition

bulk aerosol = dust, pollutants ( $SO_4^{=}$ ,  $NO_3^-$ ,  $NH_4^+$ ), sea-salt + trace metals, OC, EC

number size distribution

10nm - 500nm + 0.5 - 20  $\mu m$  (no distinction between dust and other aerosols)

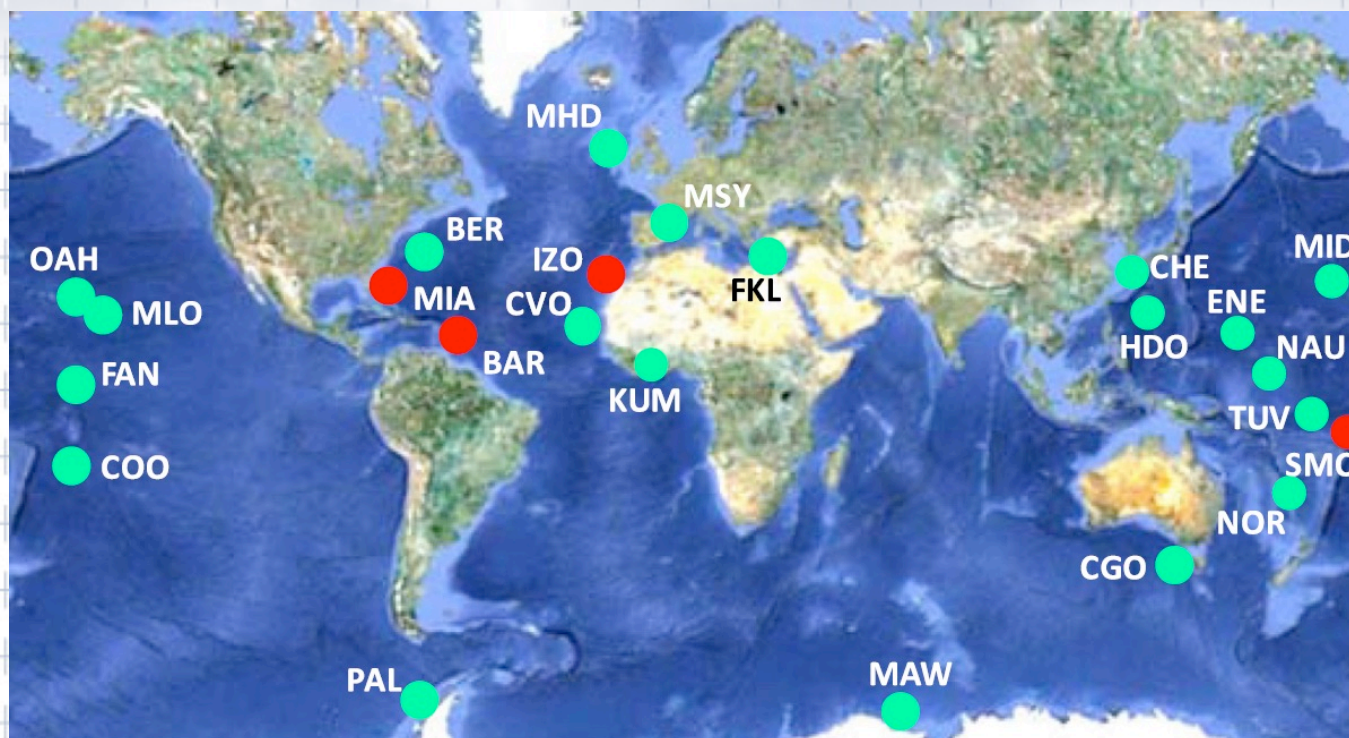
optical properties

scattering and absorption coefficients

complementary measurements: mixing state, mineralogy, isotopic characterization, etc...



## Long term monitoring dust background-observatories:



- at least 4 years
- Active during the last 20 years

Review Article

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A review of methods for long term in situ characterization of aerosol dust

Sergio Rodríguez<sup>a,\*</sup>, Andrés Alastuey<sup>b</sup>, Xavier Querol<sup>b</sup>

# ground observations of mineral dust

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