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Atmospheric aqueous-phase SOA formation: Laboratory investigations and field observations

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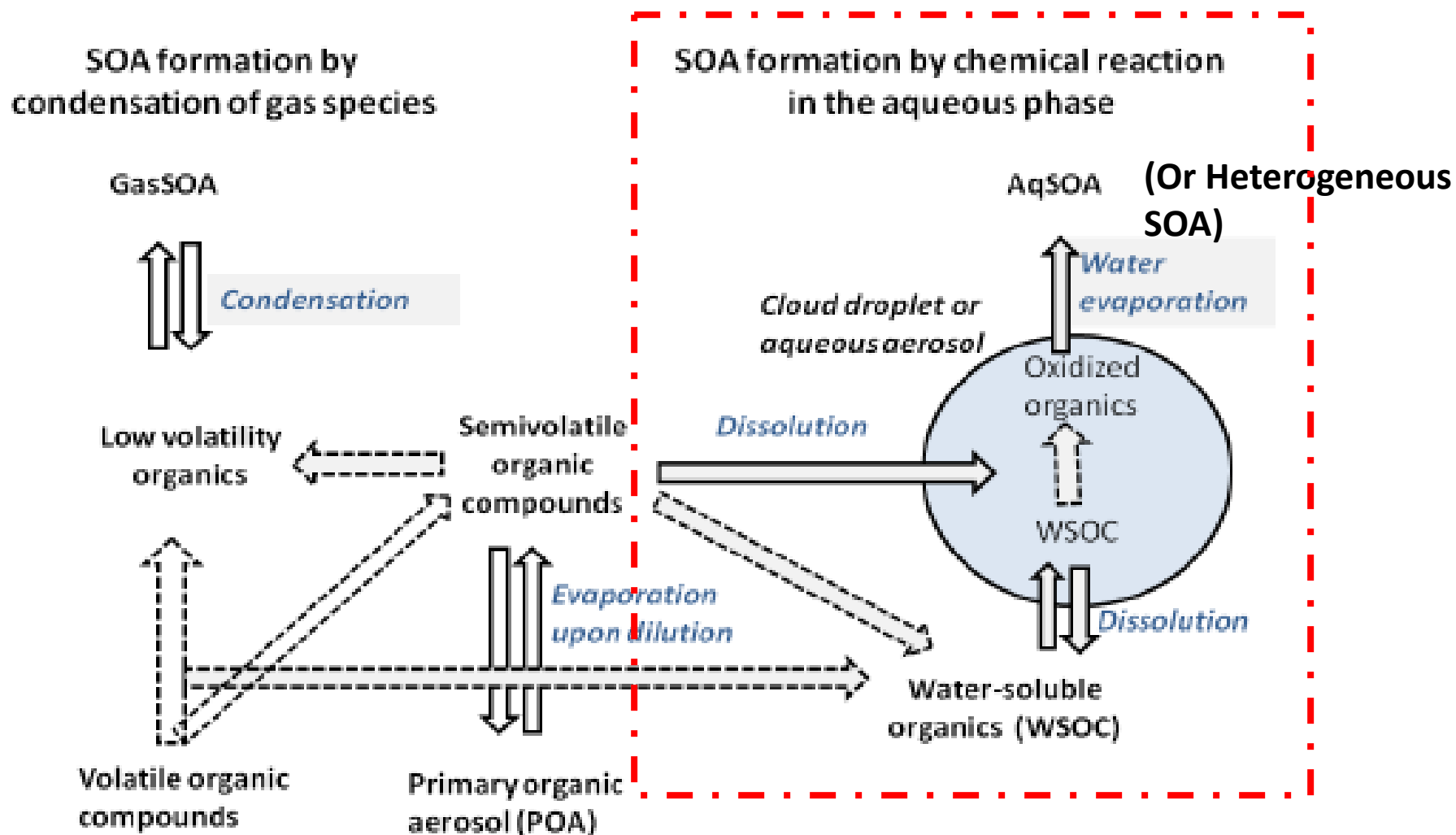
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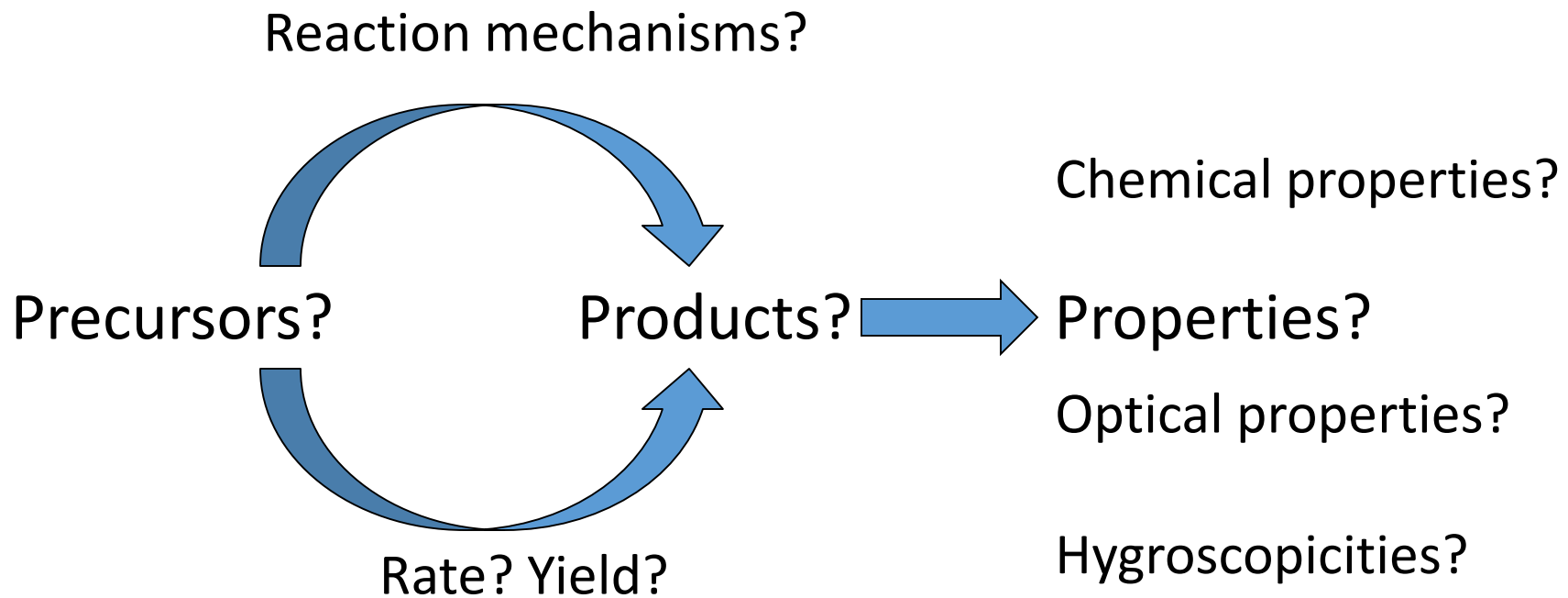
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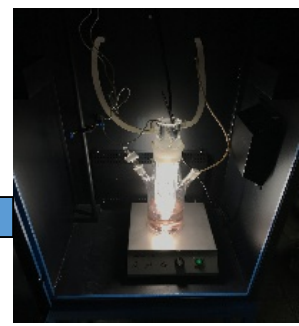
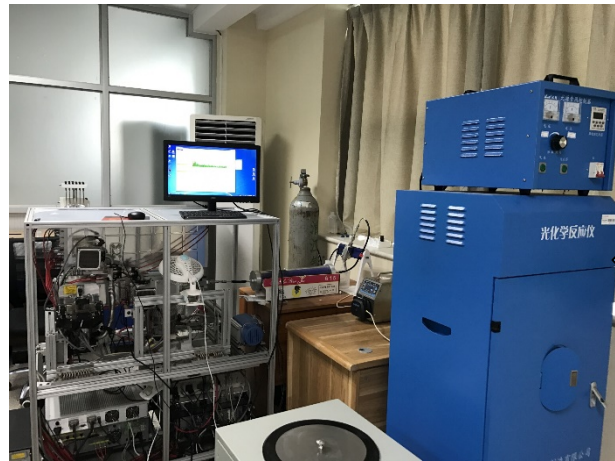
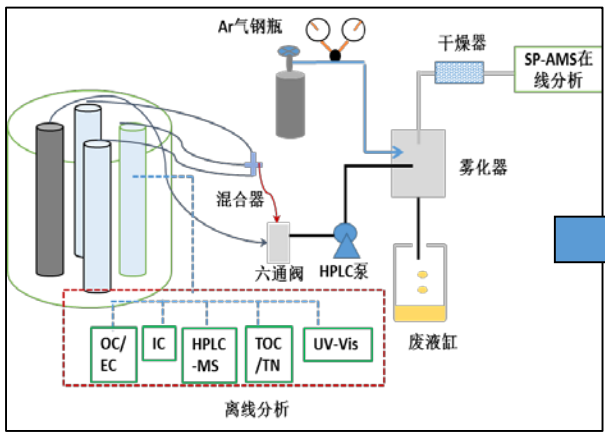
1. Secondary Organic Aerosol(SOA) formation



AqSOA formation is less clear, might be significant to reconcile model-observation discrepancies.

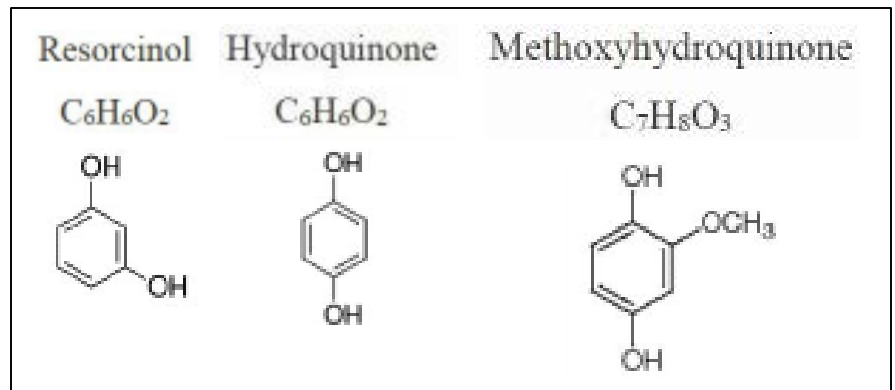
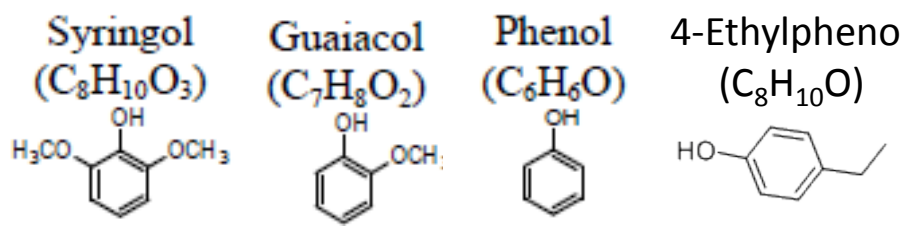


2. Laboratory experiments



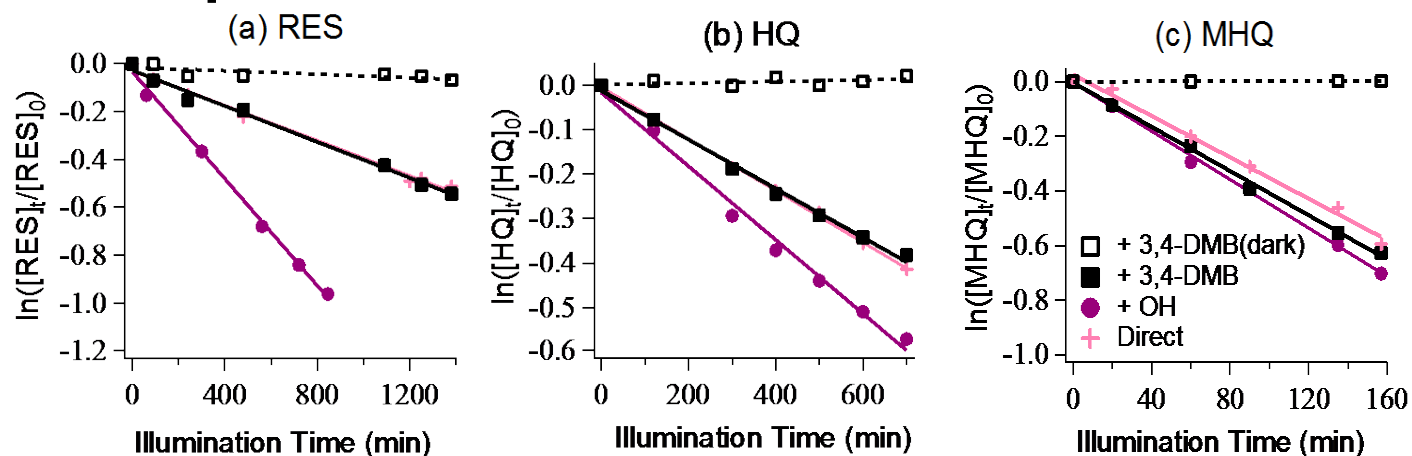
Online/offline characterization: Aqueous-phase reactor + SP-AMS

On biomass burning compounds



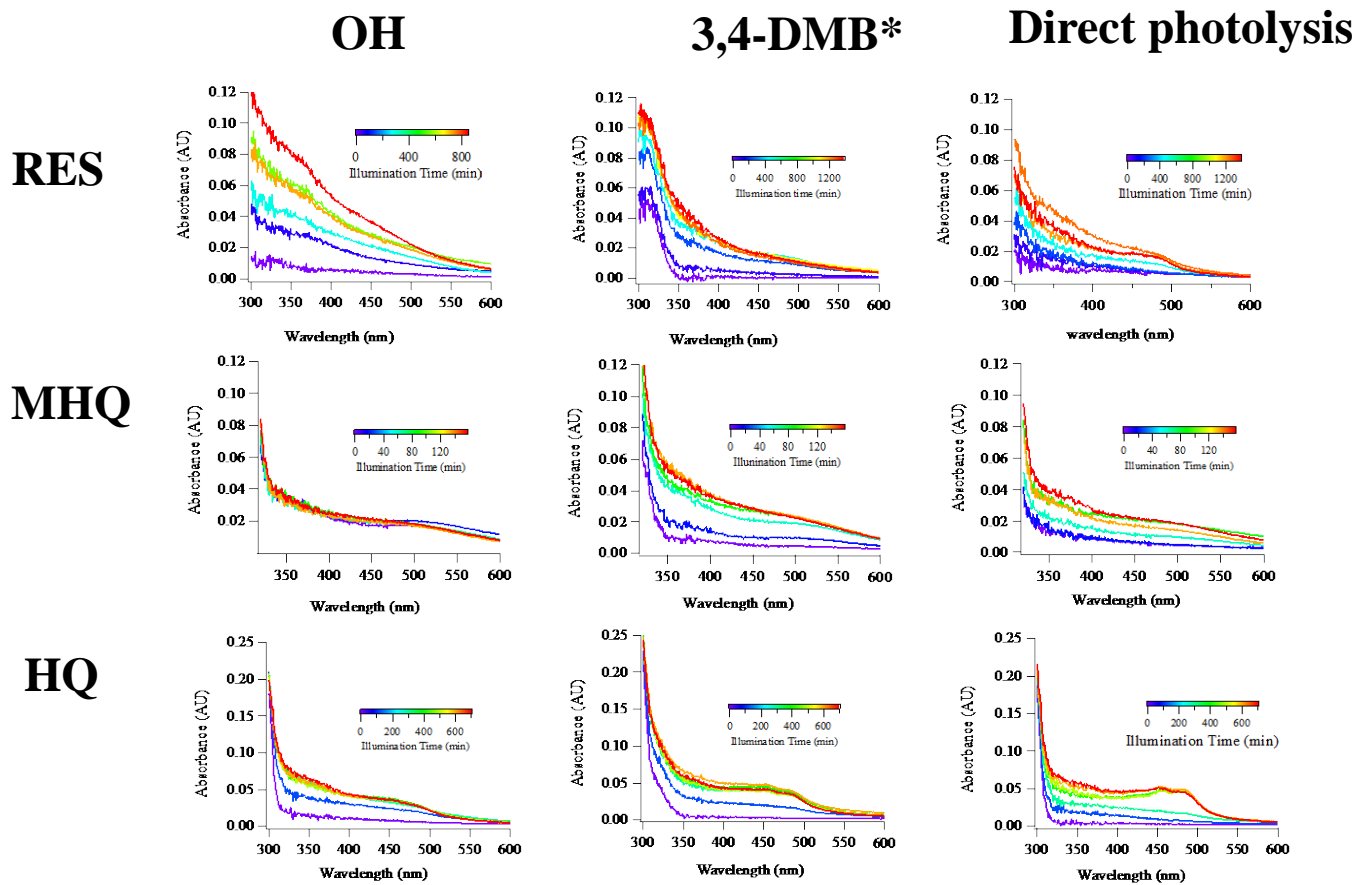
2.1 Photolysis rate

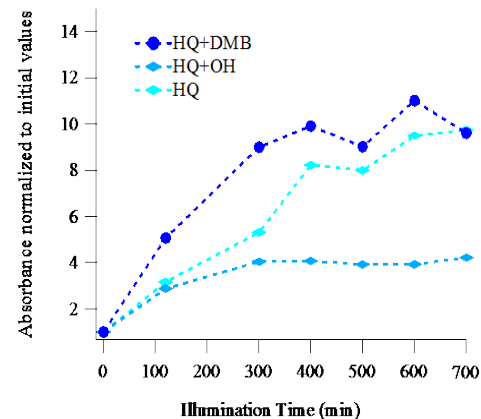
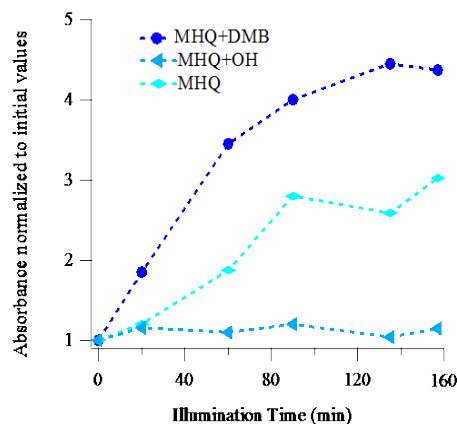
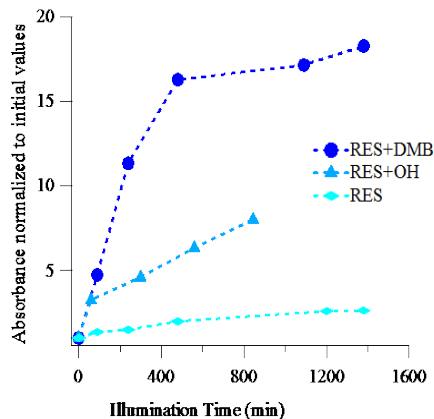
Direct photolysis, OH- and in particular $^3\text{C}^*$ -initiated reactions (**triplet excited states**, a unique group of oxidants in interfacial and bulk phases)



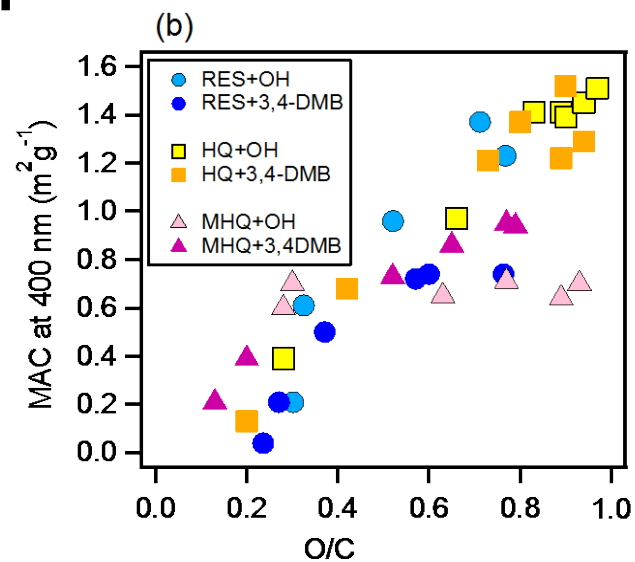
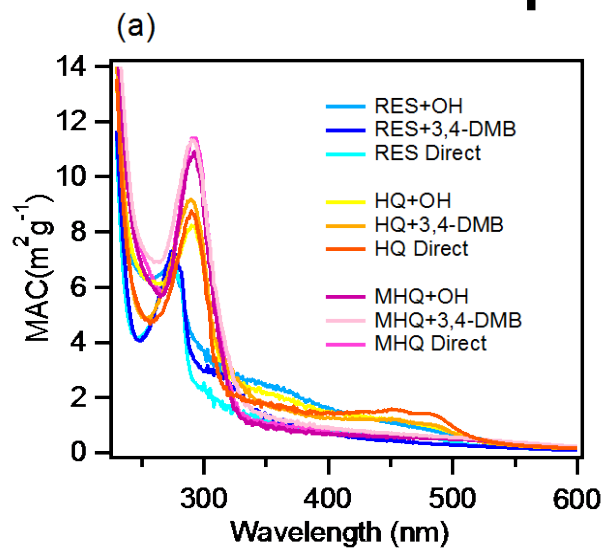
| Sample information | | | | |
|---|--|------------------|-----------------|---|
| Precursor | | Oxidant | $t_{1/2}$ (min) | Rate constant k_d (h^{-1}) |
| Resorcinol $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_2$ 110.11 | | $\cdot\text{OH}$ | 763 | 0.067 |
| | | $^3\text{C}^*$ | 1697 | 0.023 |
| | | — | 1825 | 0.022 |
| Hydroquinone $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_2$ 110.11 | | $\cdot\text{OH}$ | 967 | 0.050 |
| | | $^3\text{C}^*$ | 1384 | 0.033 |
| | | — | 1208 | 0.035 |
| Methoxyhydroquinone $\text{C}_7\text{H}_8\text{O}_3$ 140.14 | | $\cdot\text{OH}$ | 154 | 0.26 |
| | | $^3\text{C}^*$ | 159 | 0.24 |
| | | — | 197 | 0.23 |

2.2 Light absorption ("Brown Carbon" ?)





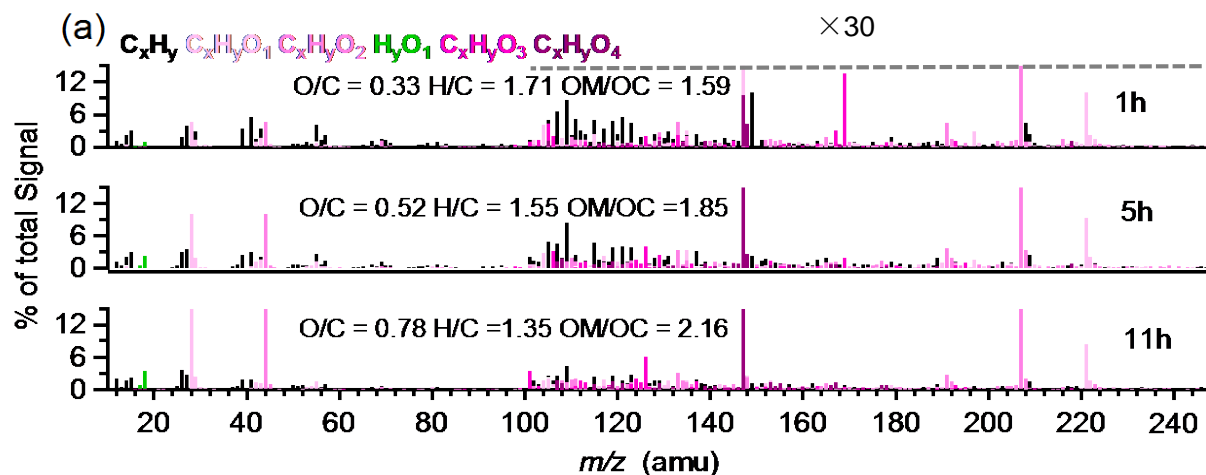
Absorption at 400 nm
³C*-oxidation reactions produces more light-absorptive products!



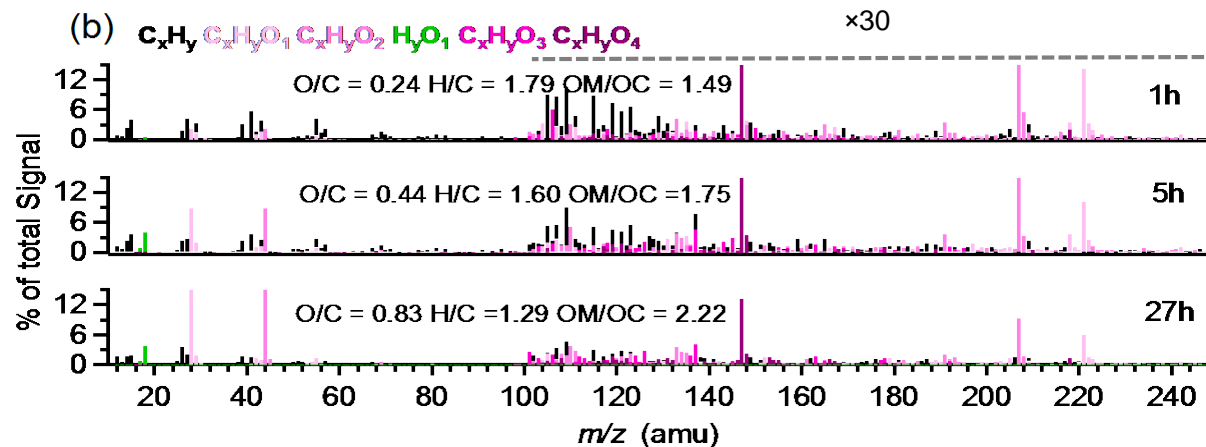
Light absorption increases with SOA oxidation degrees

2.3 Chemical compositions (AMS mass spectra)

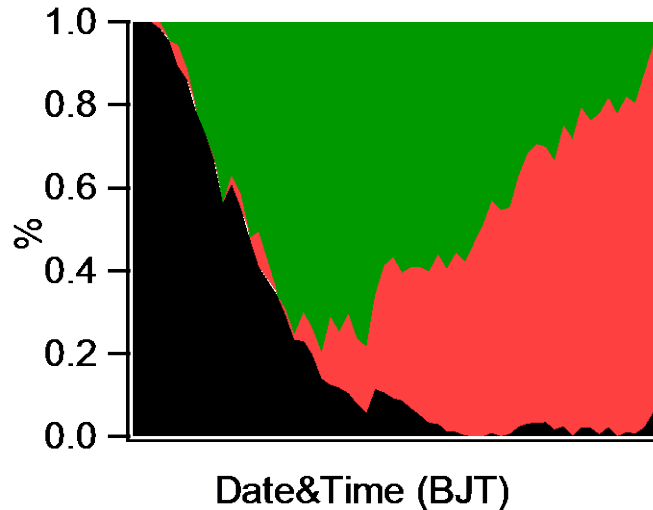
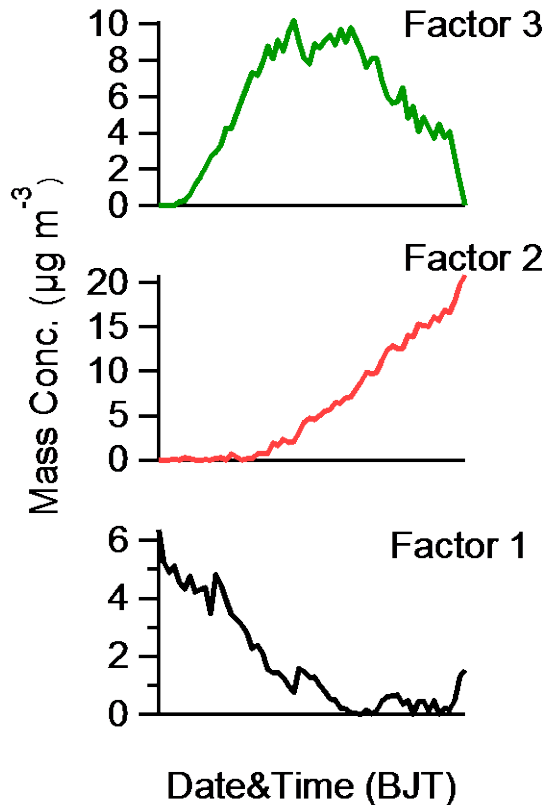
RES+OH



RES+3,4-DMB



PMF analyses



**Factor 3— Second-generation
(oligomerization then fragmentation).**

**Factor 2—Third-generation (more small
highly oxygenated species)**

Factor 1— first-generation

MHQ+OH
oxidation

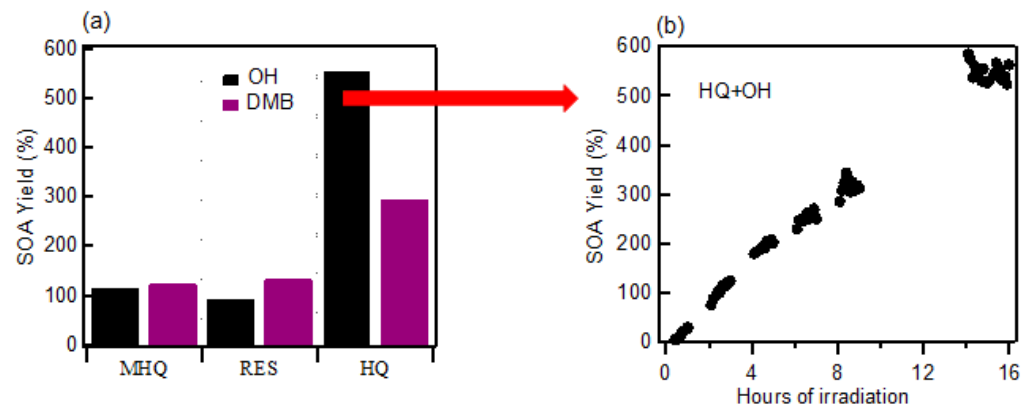
2.4 aqSOA yields

Offline: $Y_{\text{SOA}} = \frac{\text{mass of illuminated sample} - \text{mass of dark sample}}{\text{mass of phenol reacted}}$

for 4-EPhOH 10 mL solutions:
 $Y_{\text{SOA}} = \frac{(0.28 - 0.21) \times 10^3 \mu\text{g}}{(0.01/1) \times 100 \times 122.17 \times 52.68\%} = 1.09$

for GUA 10 mL solutions:
 $Y_{\text{SOA}} = \frac{(0.31 - 0.24) \times 10^3 \mu\text{g}}{(0.01/1) \times 100 \times 124.14 \times 0.5513 \mu\text{g}} = 1.02$

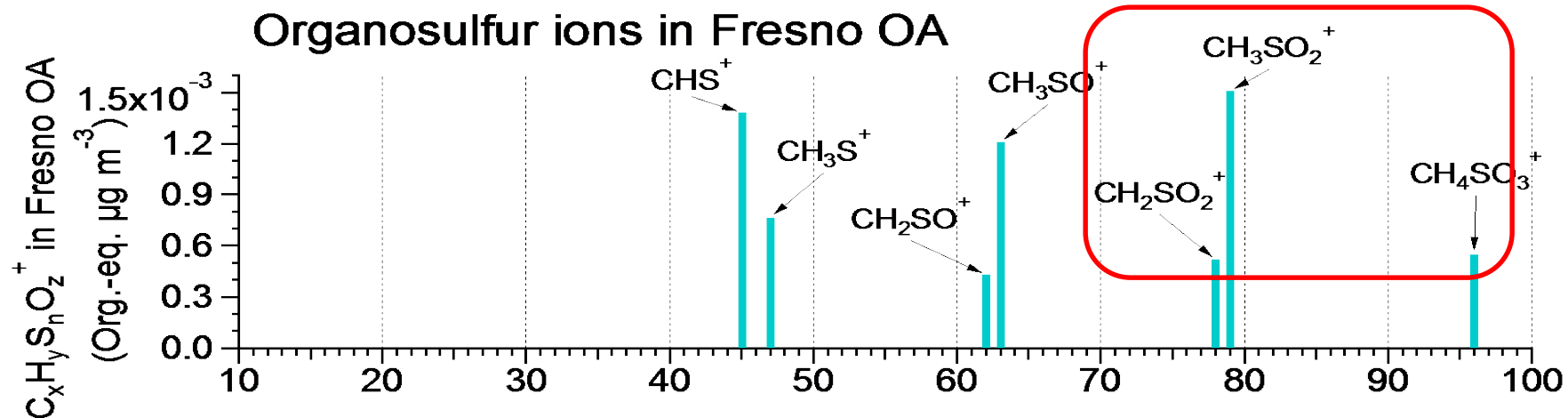
Online:



3. Field observations

aqSOA – Higher O/C, larger size, positive correlations with RH or LWC

MSA - aqSOA Tracer (Ge et al., EC, 2012)



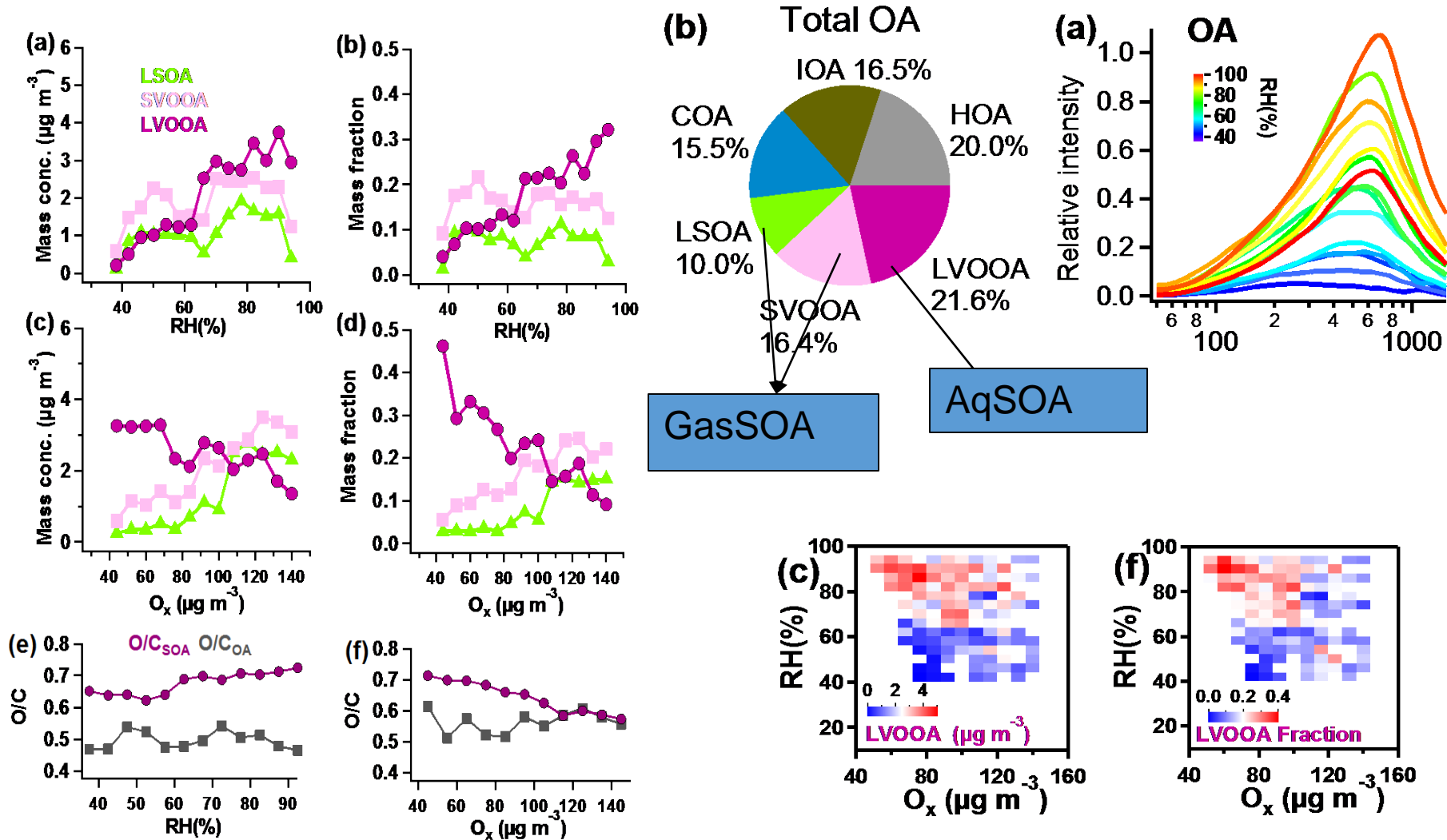
Italy

Gilardoni et al., PNAS, 2016, 113, 10013-10018

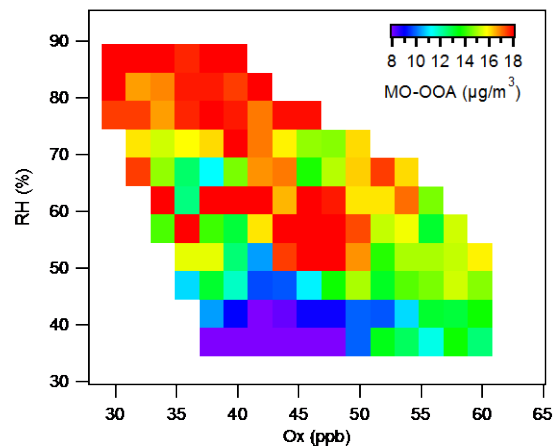
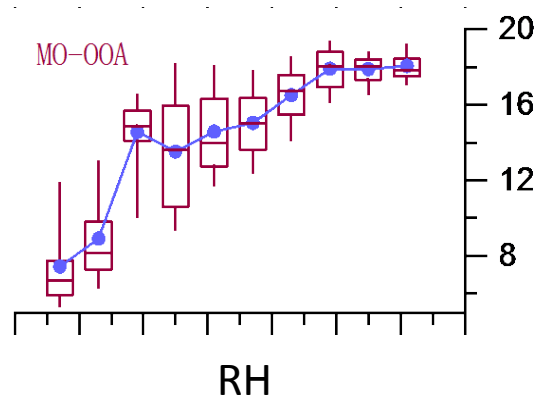
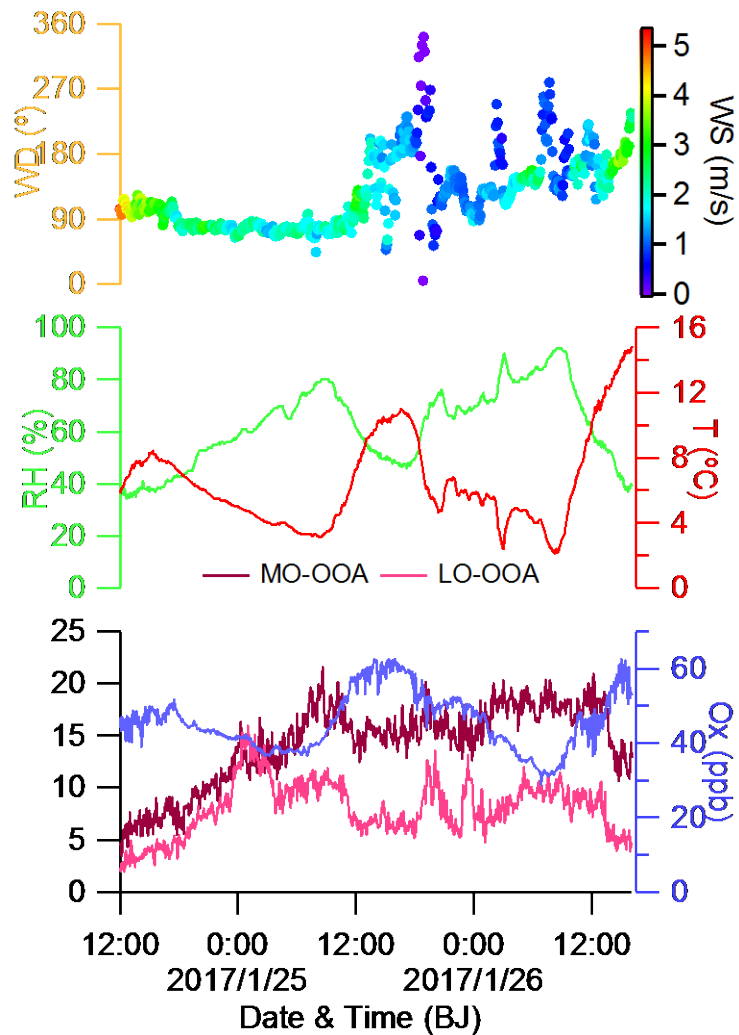
Beijing Winter

Sun et al., Atmos. Chem. Phys. 2016, 16, 8309-8329.

Nanjing 2015 winter



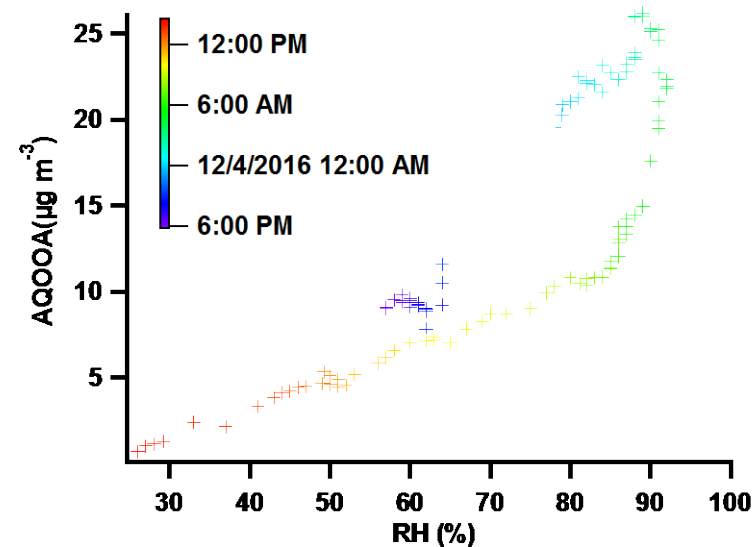
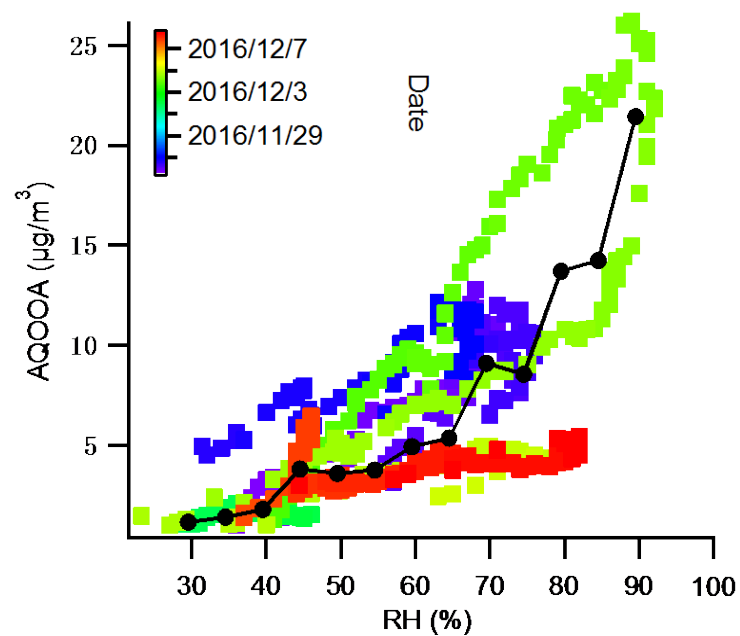
Nanjing 2017 Winter



Beijing 2016 Winter

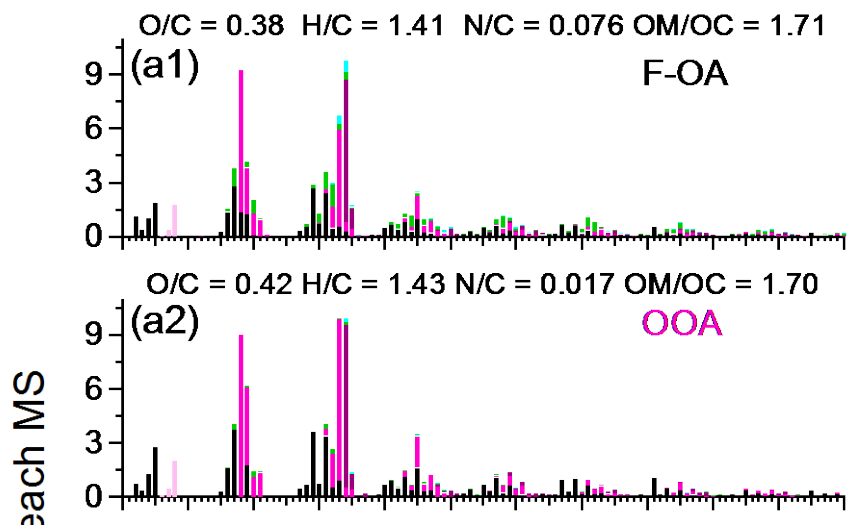


**APPH Beijing Winter campaign
(2016.11.15-12.14)
SP-AMS for BC-particles**

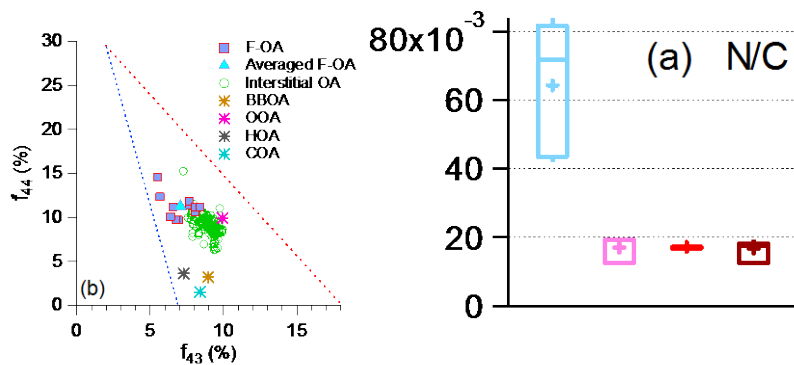
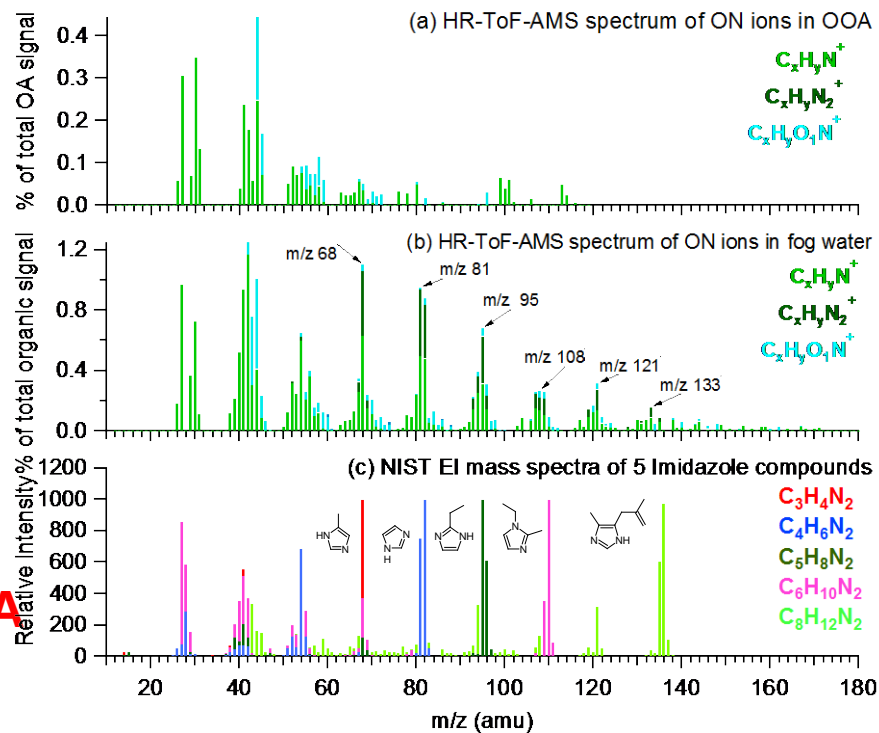


2010 Fresno Winter

AMS PM₁ + Fogwater

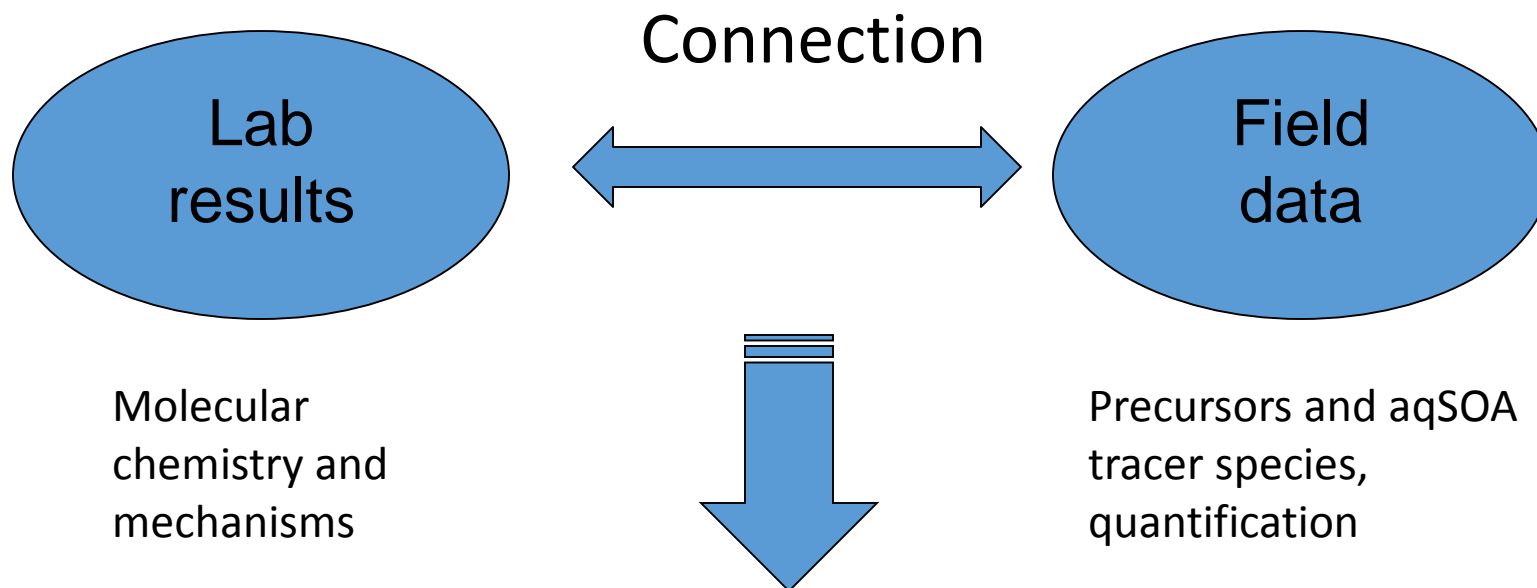


Fog-OA is highly similar to PM₁-OOA



More N-organics in Fogwater-OA, imidazoles (likely from Aq-rxns)

4. Future work



Model updates and improvements

Thanks !



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