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Status and plans of the CLOUD experiment

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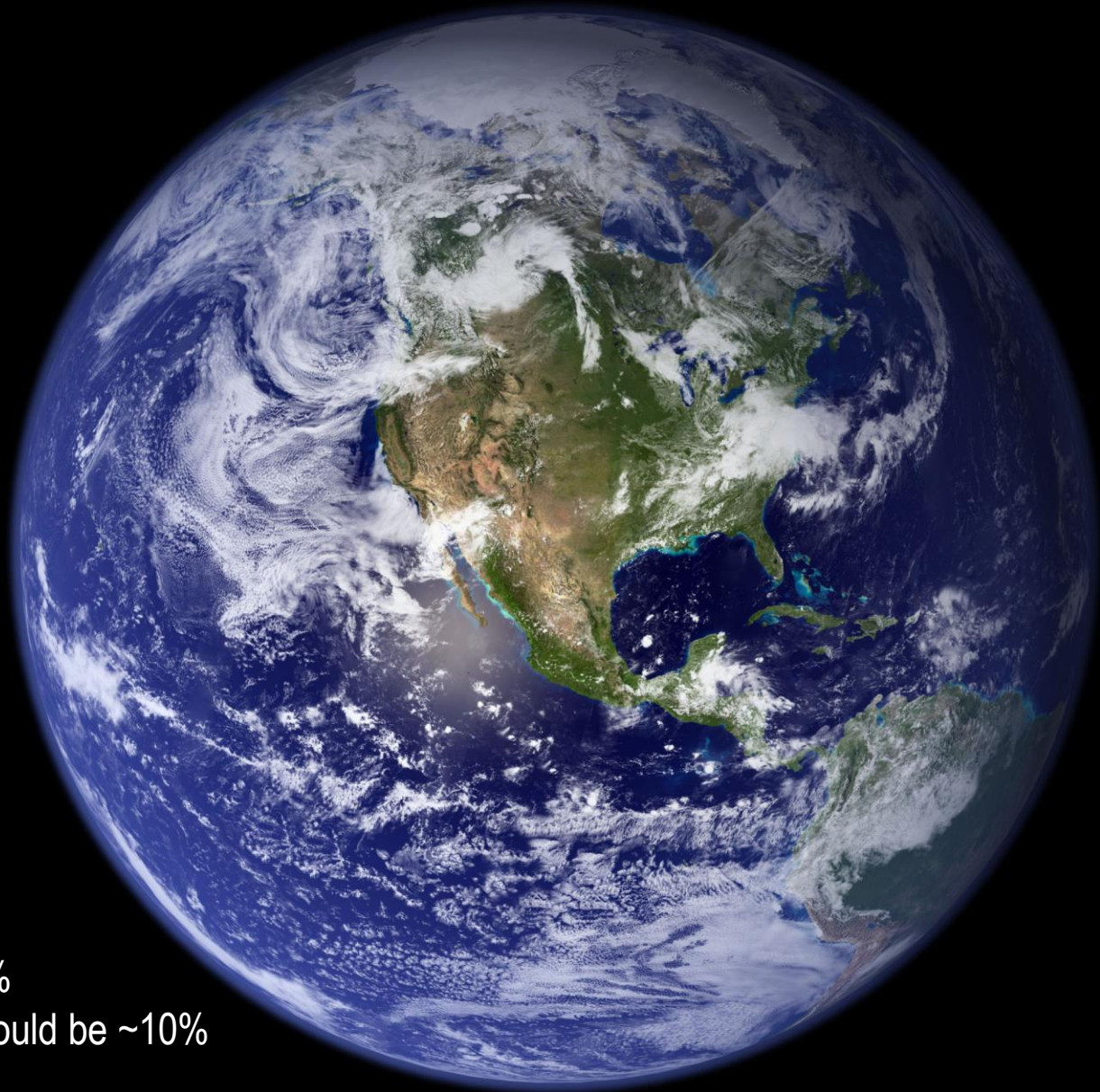
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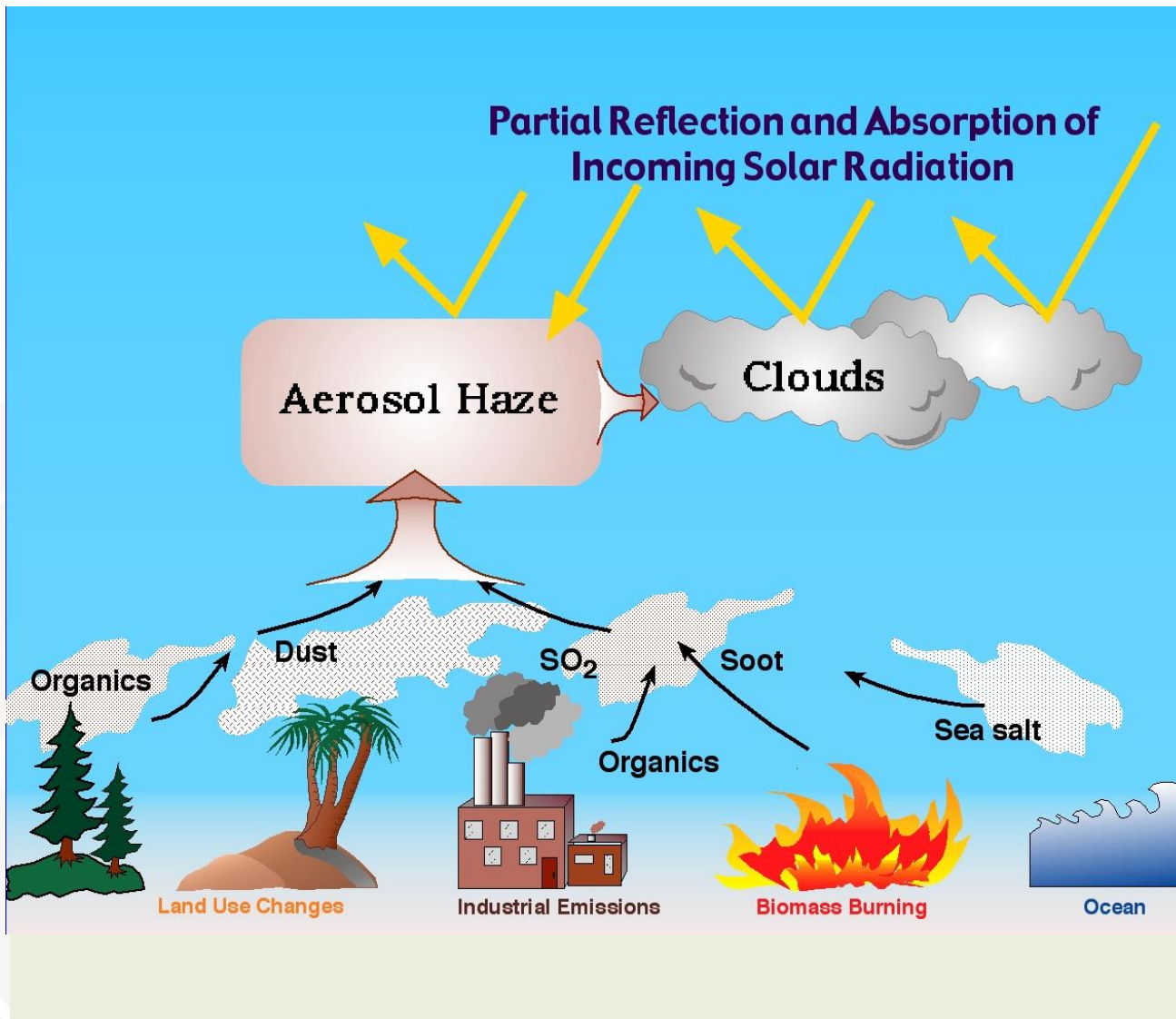


CLOUD data workshop,
Hyytiälä, FIN, Feb 2016.

Clouds



- cover more than 60% of the Earth's surface on average
- average albedo ~30%
without clouds this would be ~10%
- strong effect on radiation budget: "more clouds = cooler climate"



Direct effect

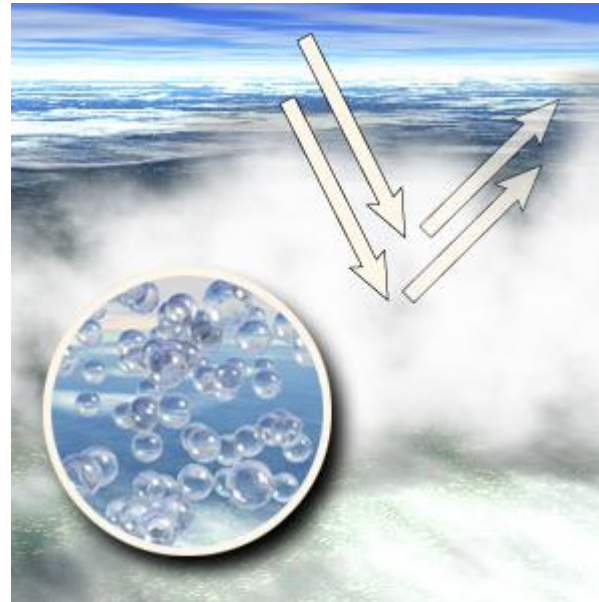
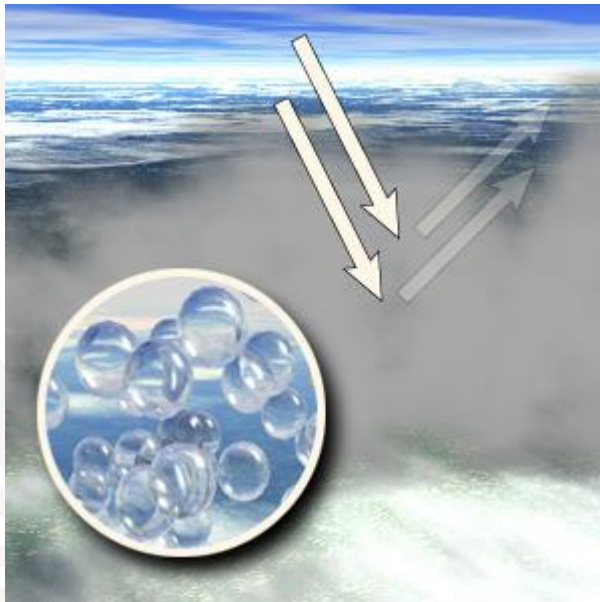
Scattering und absorption of incoming sunlight by aerosol particles.

Indirect effect

Changes of cloud albedo and cloud lifetime through additional anthropogenic aerosol particles.

Cloud adjustments due to aerosols

More aerosol particles → more Cloud Condensation Nuclei (CCN)
→ more (but smaller) cloud droplets → more sunlight reflected to space
→ surface cooling



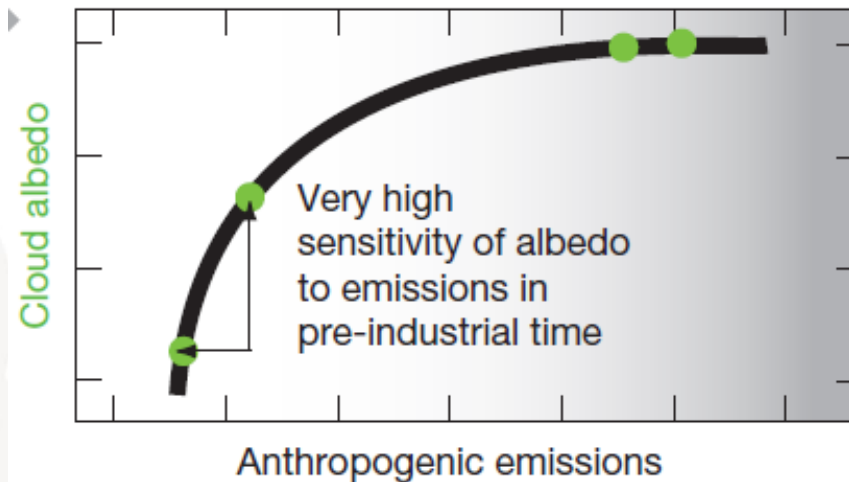
More but
smaller droplets:

Whiter clouds

How many aerosol particles, CCN and cloud droplets were present in pre-industrial times?

Large contribution of natural aerosols to uncertainty in indirect forcing

Carslaw et al., Nature, 2013



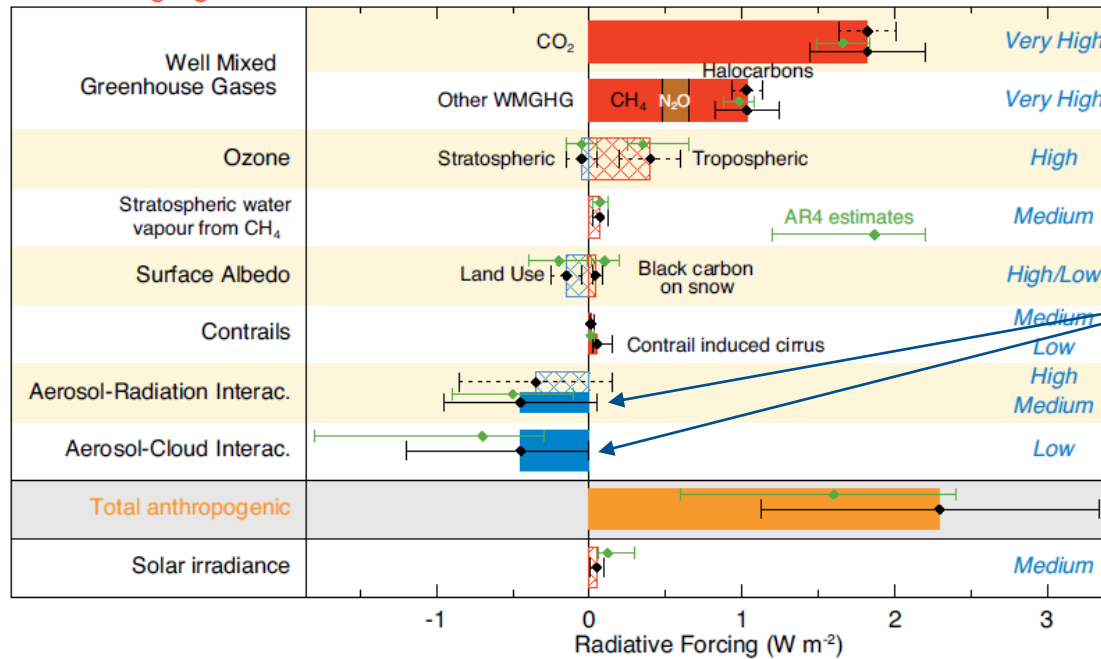
"The results point to the importance of understanding pristine pre-industrial-like environments, with natural aerosols only"

Radiative forcing of climate between 1750 and 2011

Confidence Level

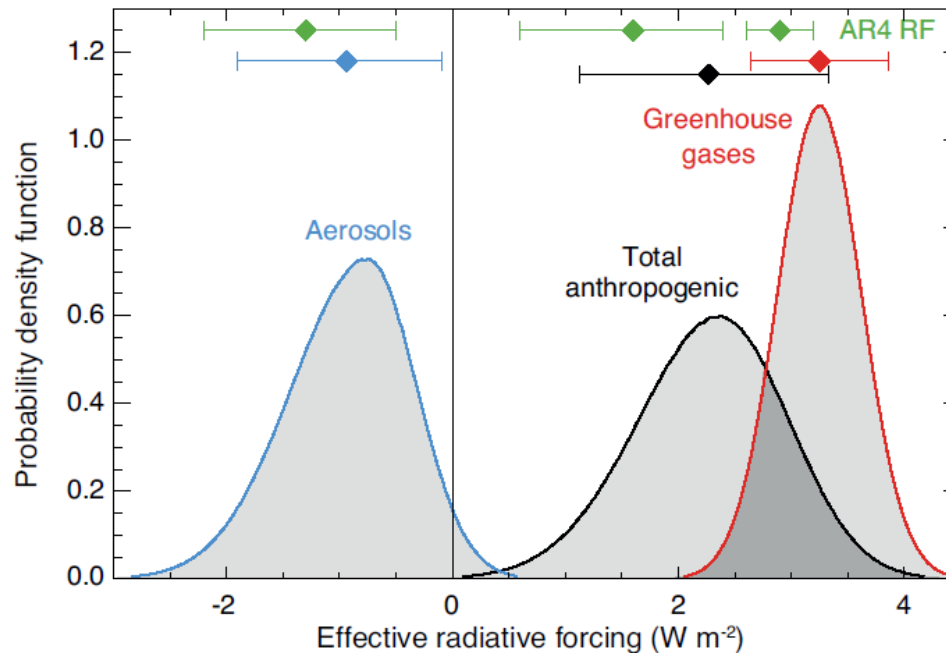
Anthropogenic

Natural



Radiative forcing due to anthropogenic aerosols:

- Net cooling effects
- Largest uncertainty



Nucleation of terpene oxidation products
without sulfuric acid

biogenic particle production



Blue haze

biogenic particle formation

LETTER

Ion-induced nucleation of pure biogenic particles

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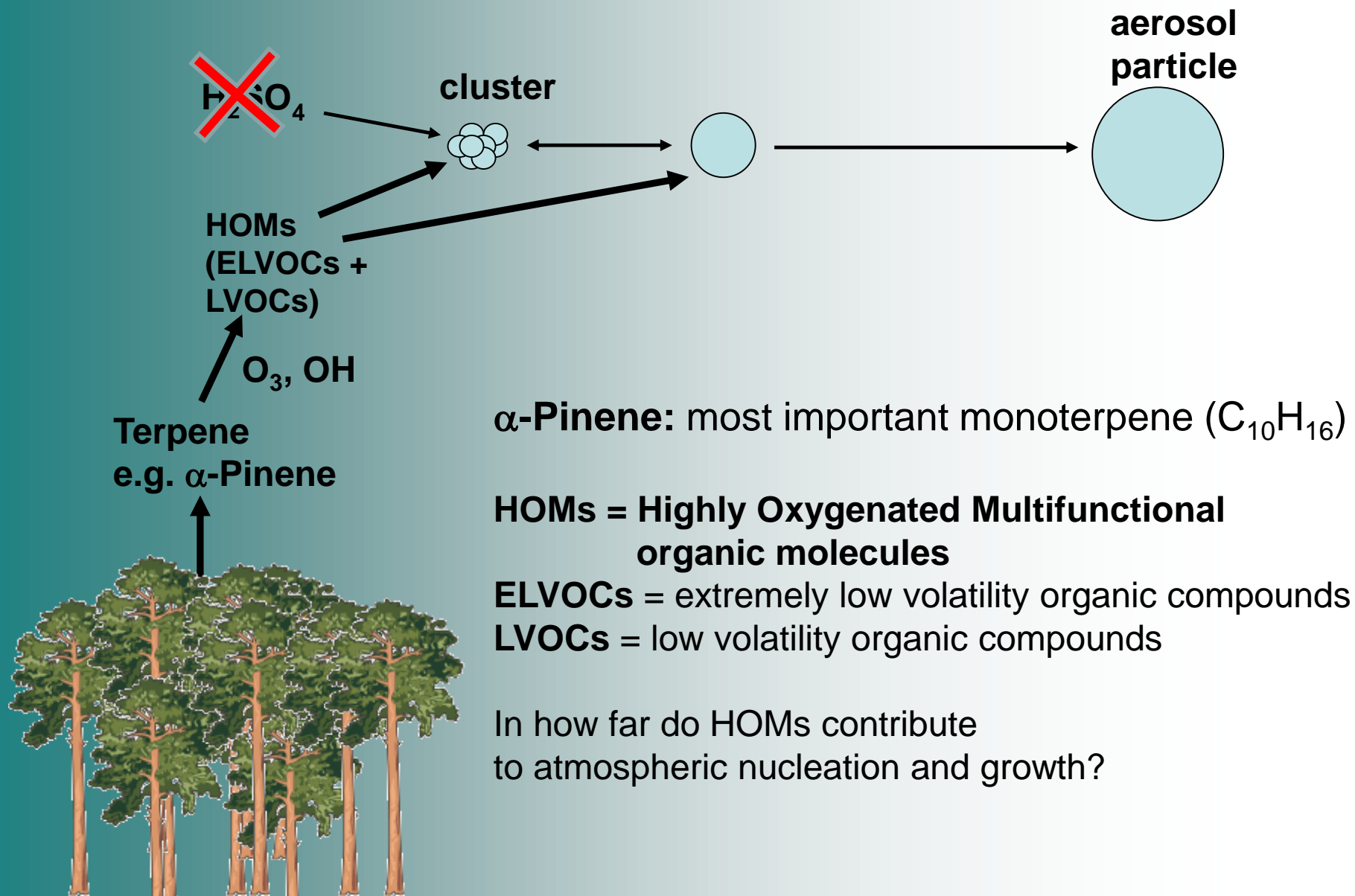
of chemistry and timing

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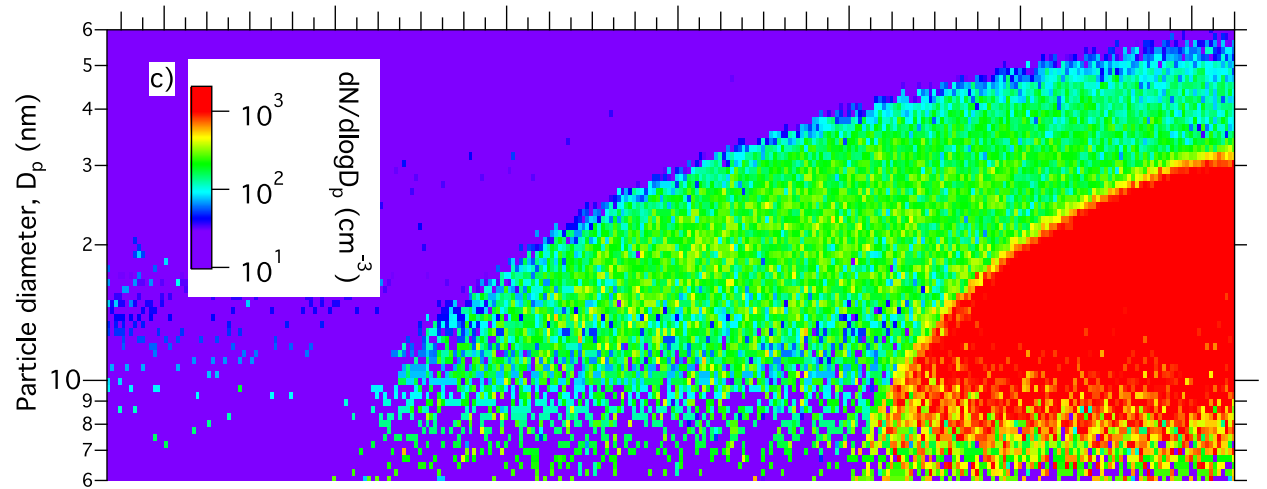
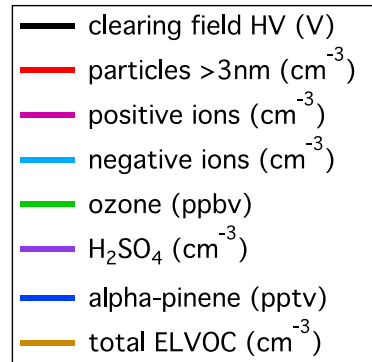


osphere: A question

Role of Highly Oxygenated Multifunctional Organic Molecules for nucleation and growth of particles

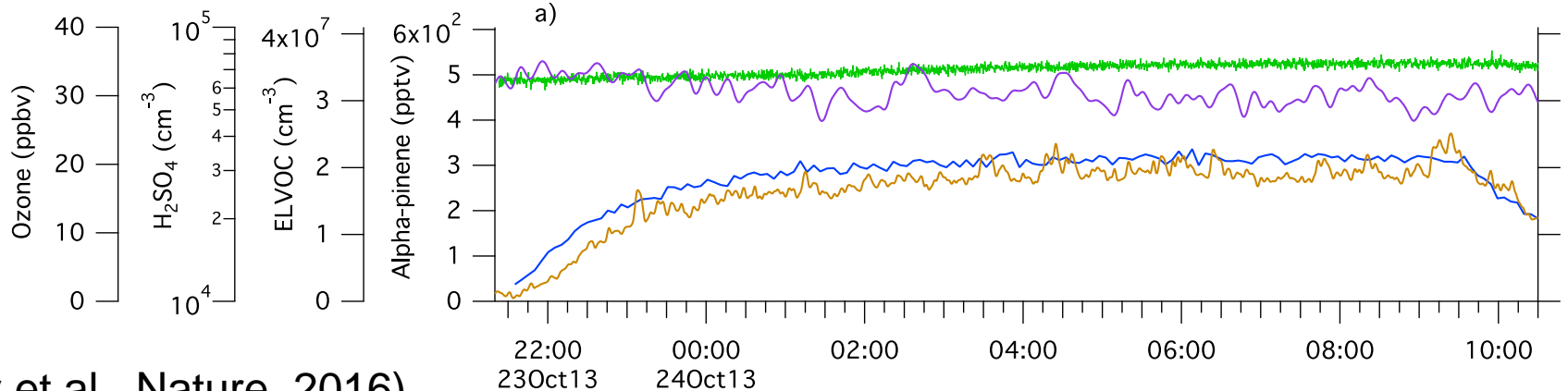
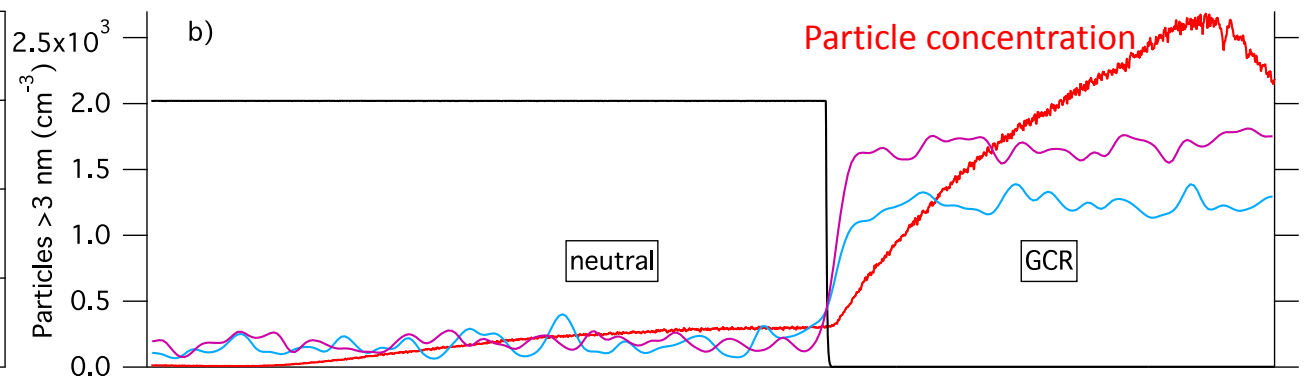


Particle formation from purely biogenic sources



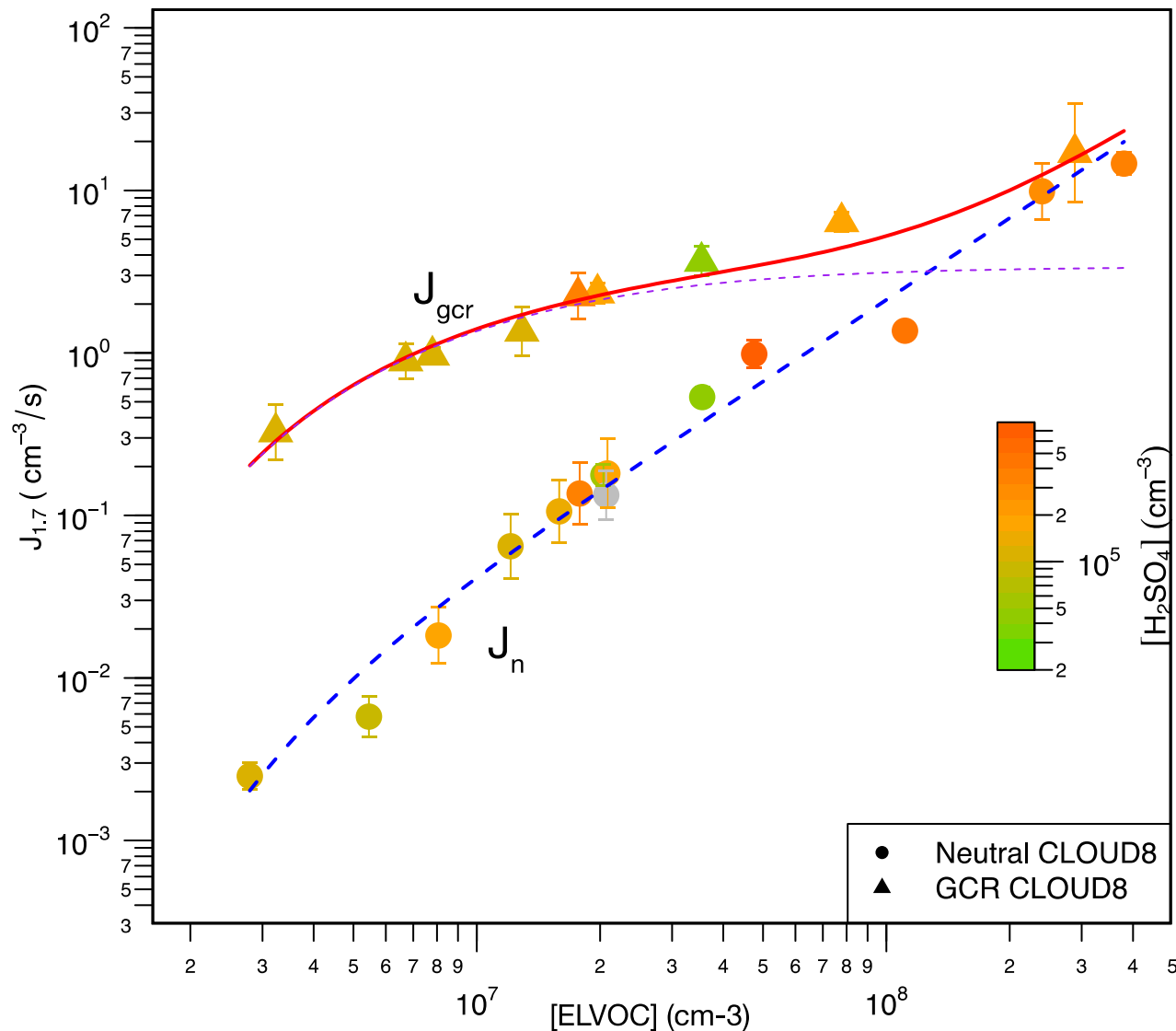
➤ Significant particle production without H_2SO_4

➤ Strong ion effect



(Kirkby et al., Nature, 2016)

- Substantial nucleation of α -pinene oxidation products without sulfuric acid
- Strong ion effect

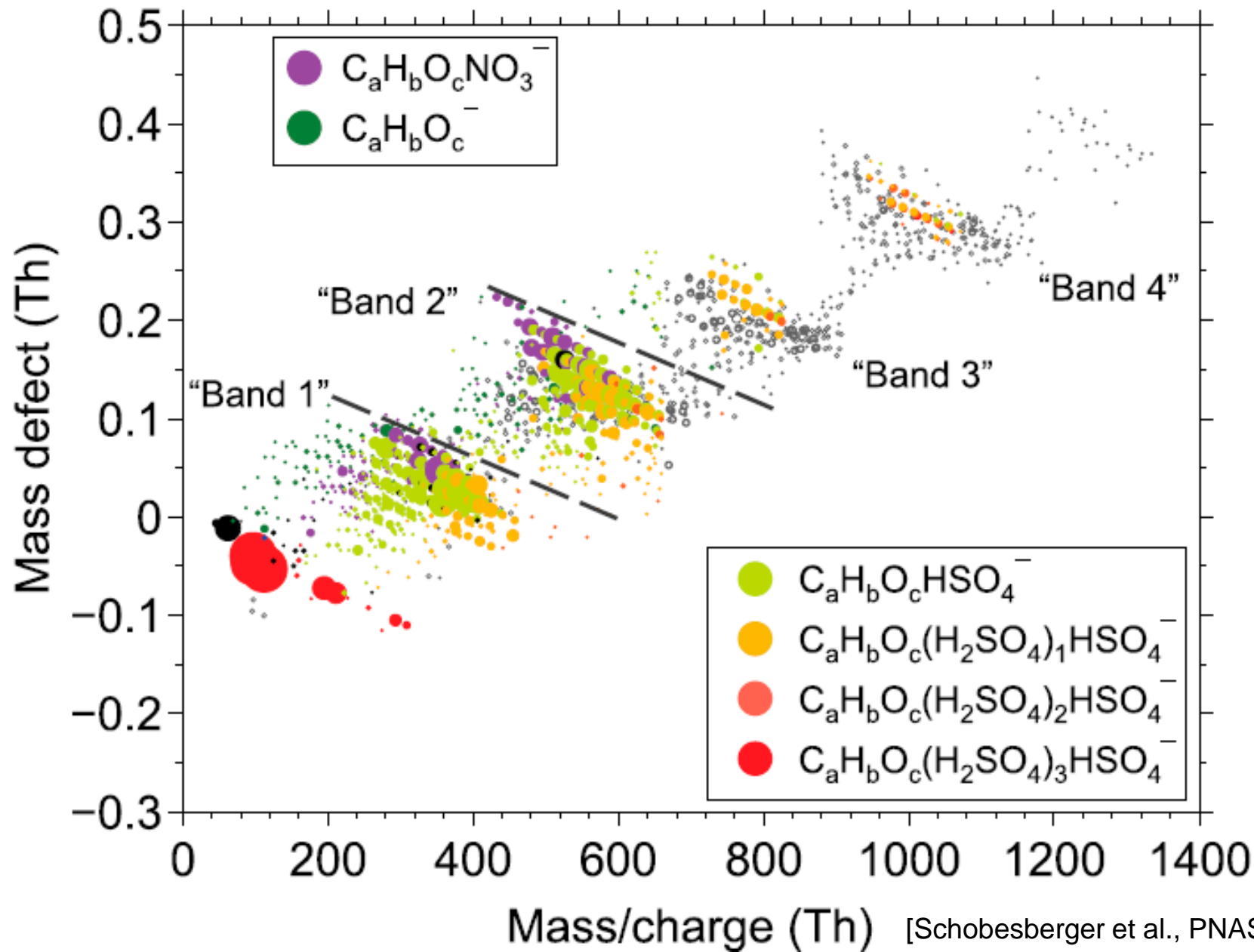


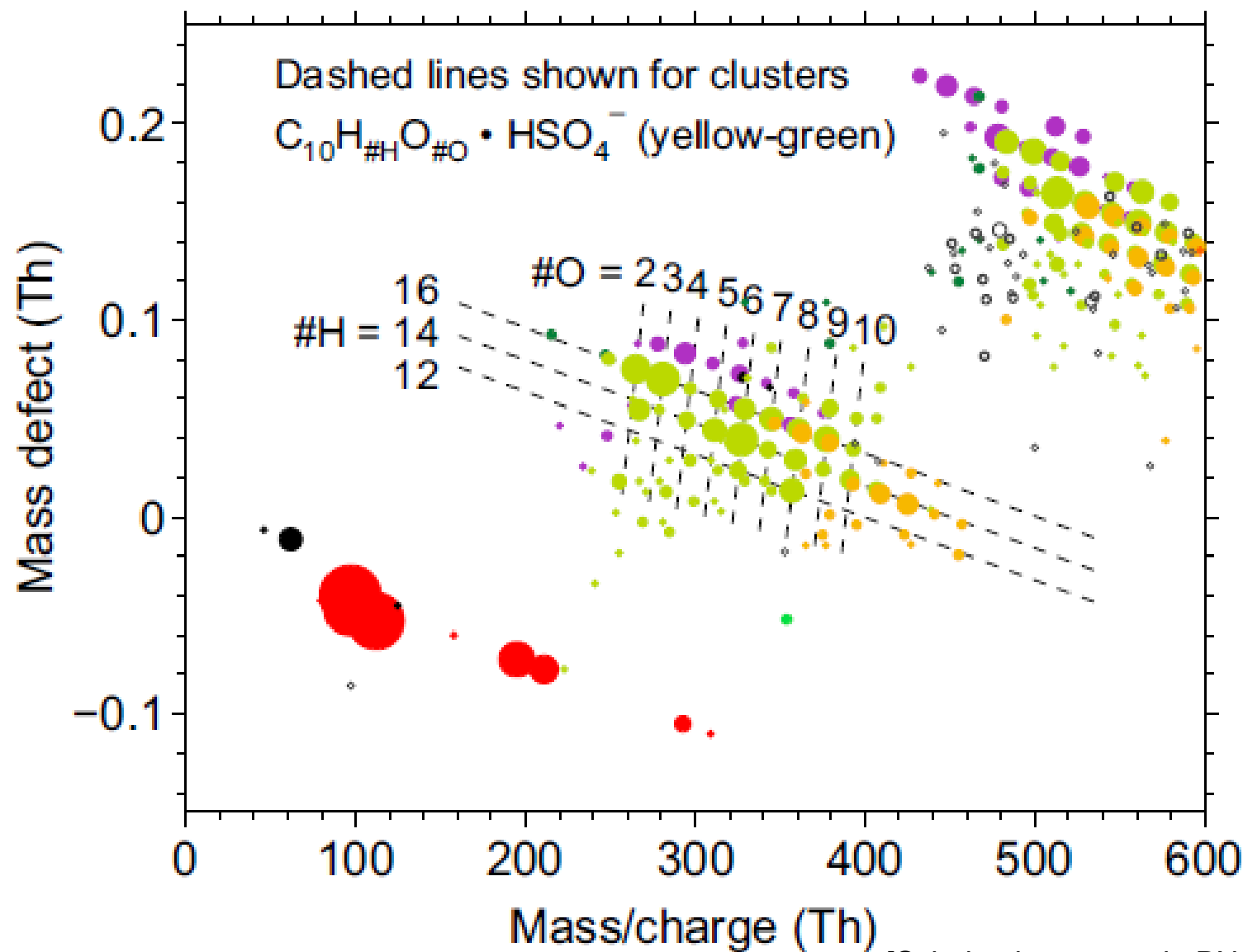
Important mechanism for pre-industrial atmosphere when H_2SO_4 was low.

Effect of temperature, NO_x , other terpenes, RH, etc. needs to be studied...

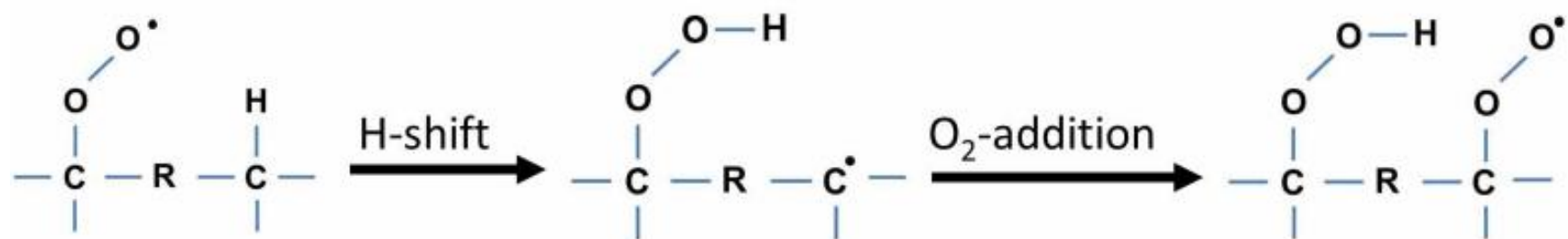
(Kirkby et al., Nature, 2016)

Molecular composition of cluster ions : Hundreds of oxidation products





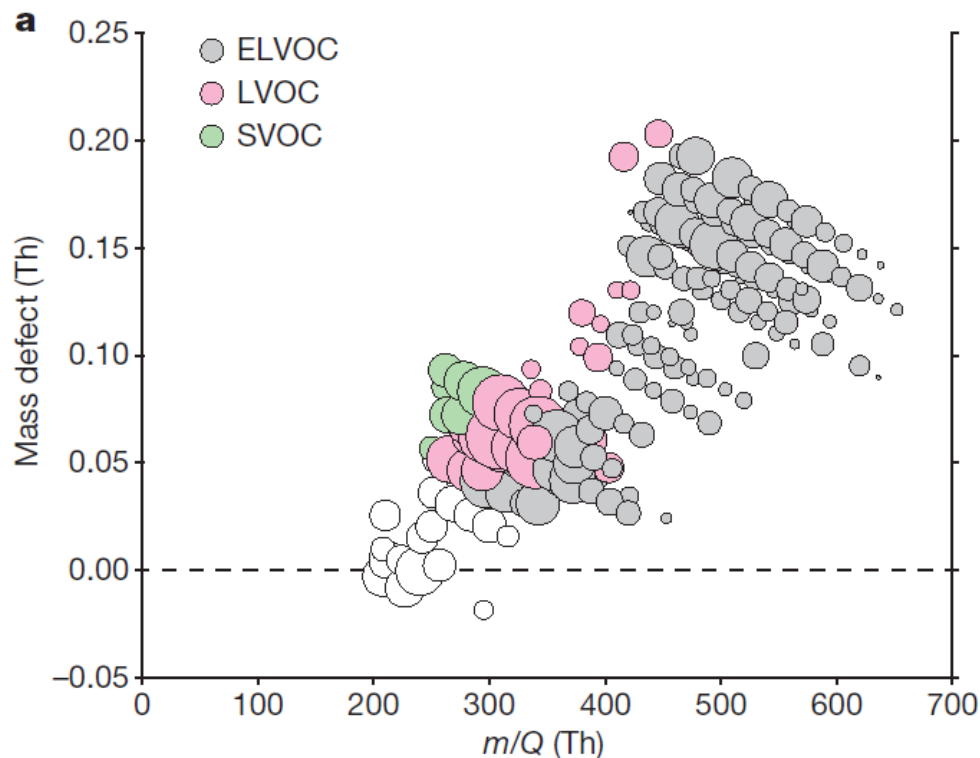
Fast and efficient formation of ELVOCs from "autoxidation"
(Crounse et al, JPCL, 2013; Ehn et al., Nature, 2014)



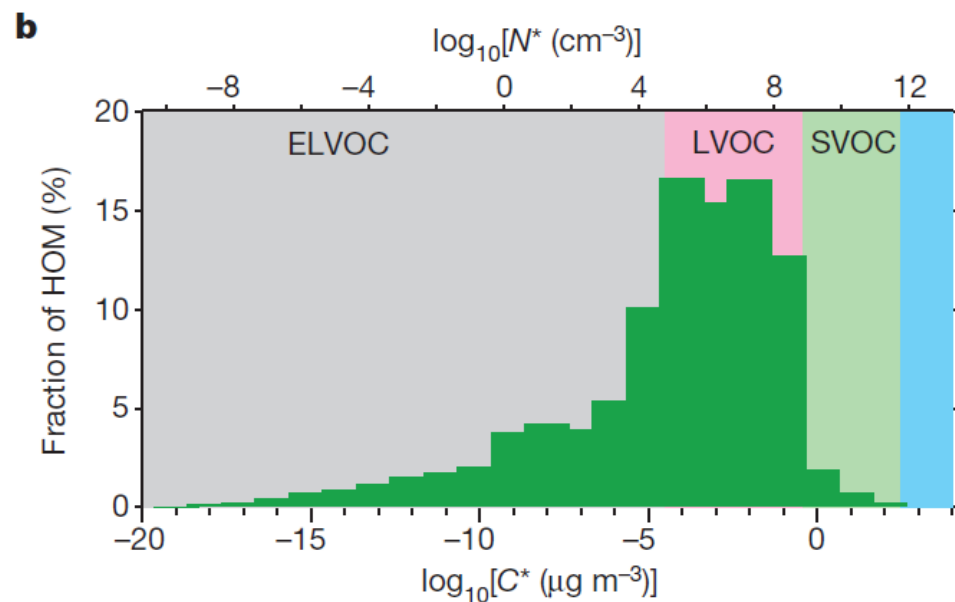
ELVOCs form within minutes...

particle growth

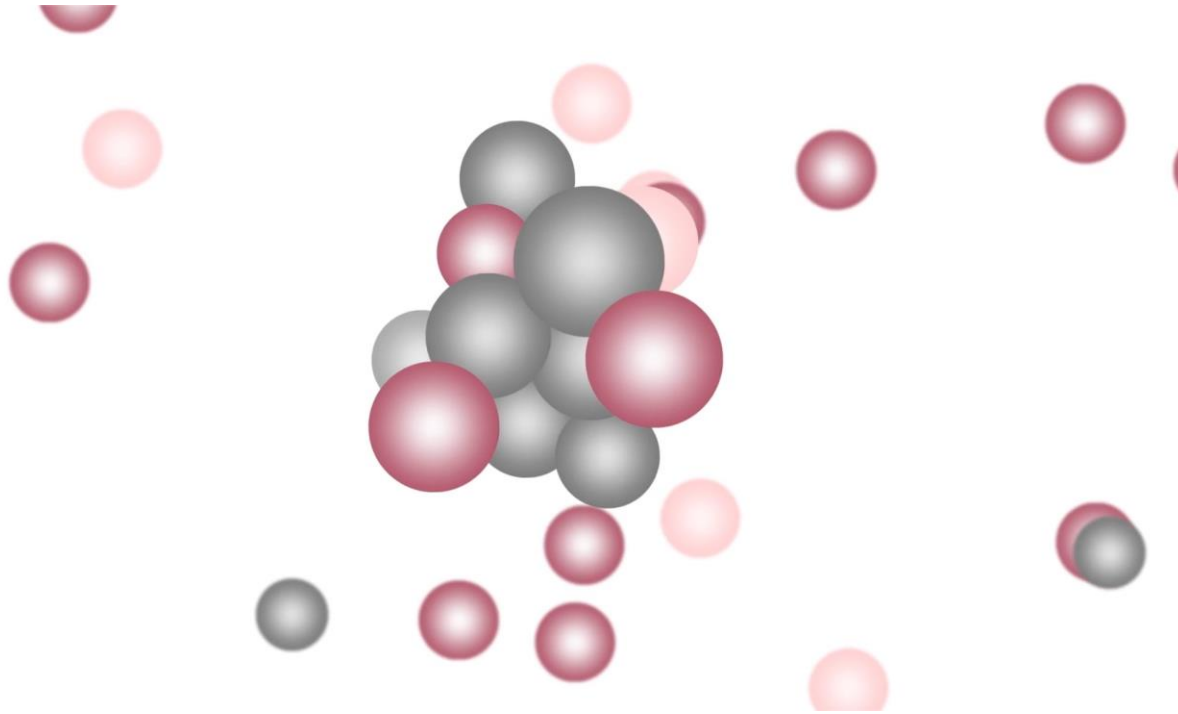
Growth



- ELVOCs (36% of HOM signal) contribute to nucleation and growth from beginning
- LVOCs contribute to growth at $>2\text{nm}$ size.

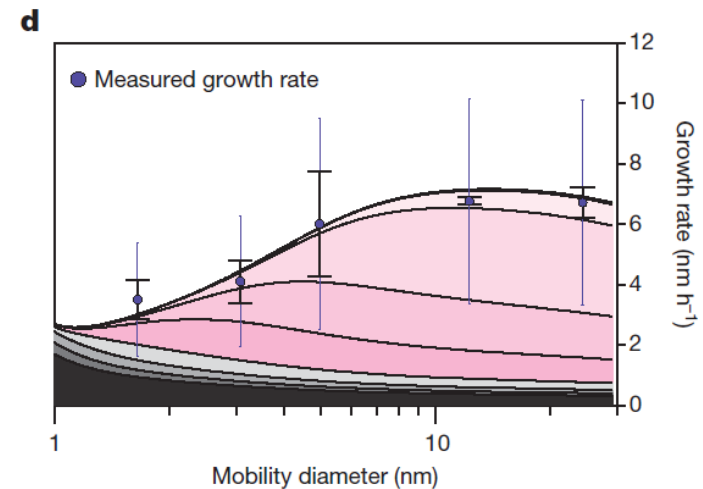
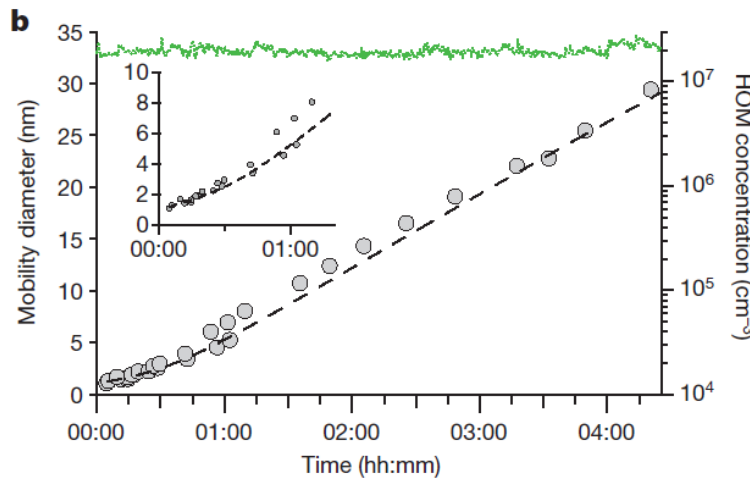
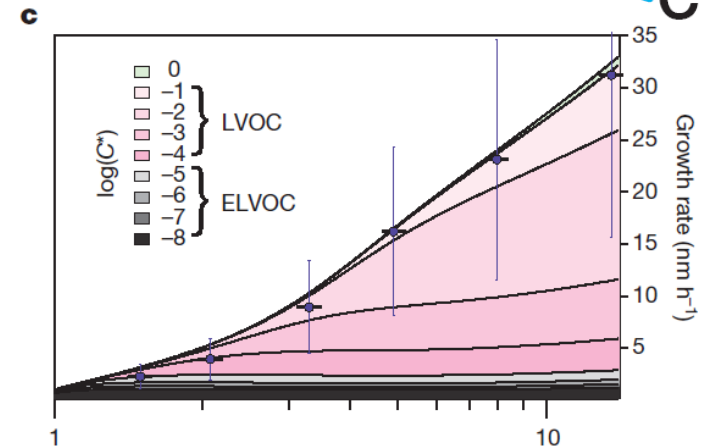
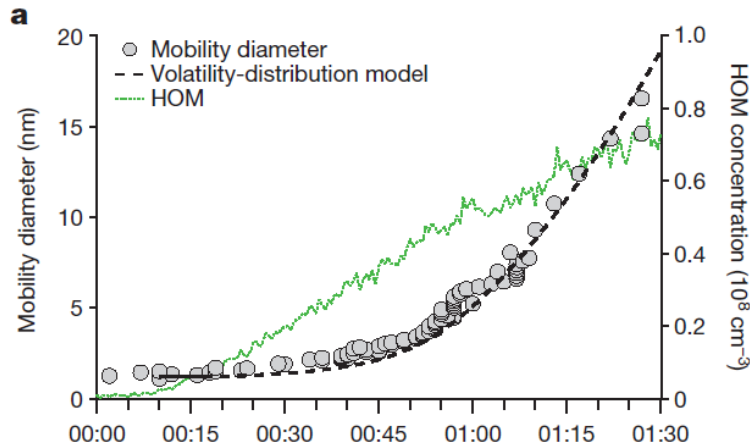


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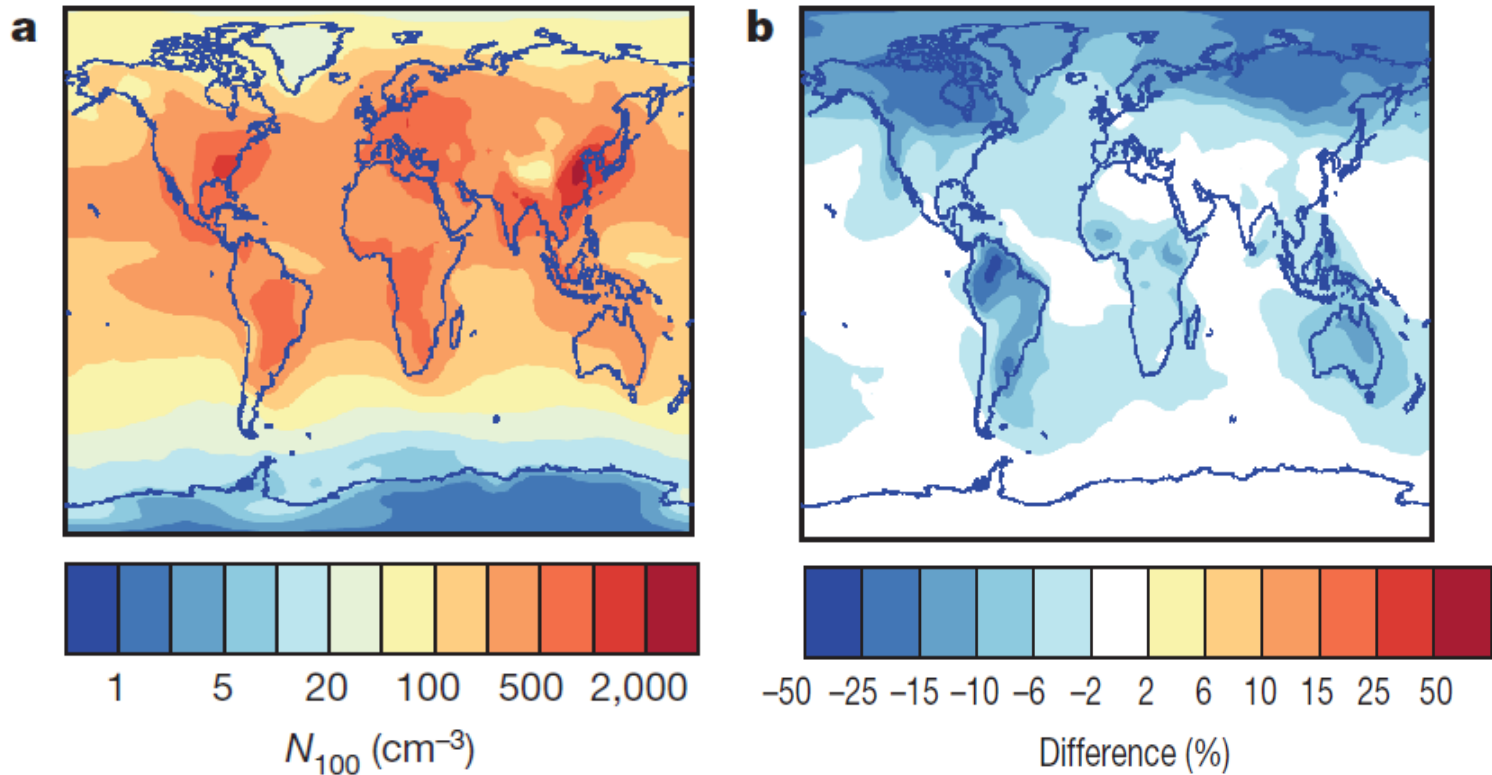
- ELVOCs (36% of HOM signal)
contribute to nucleation and growth from the beginning
- LVOCs contribute to growth starting at ~2 nm.

Growth from ELVOCs and LVOC



[Tröstl et al., 2016]

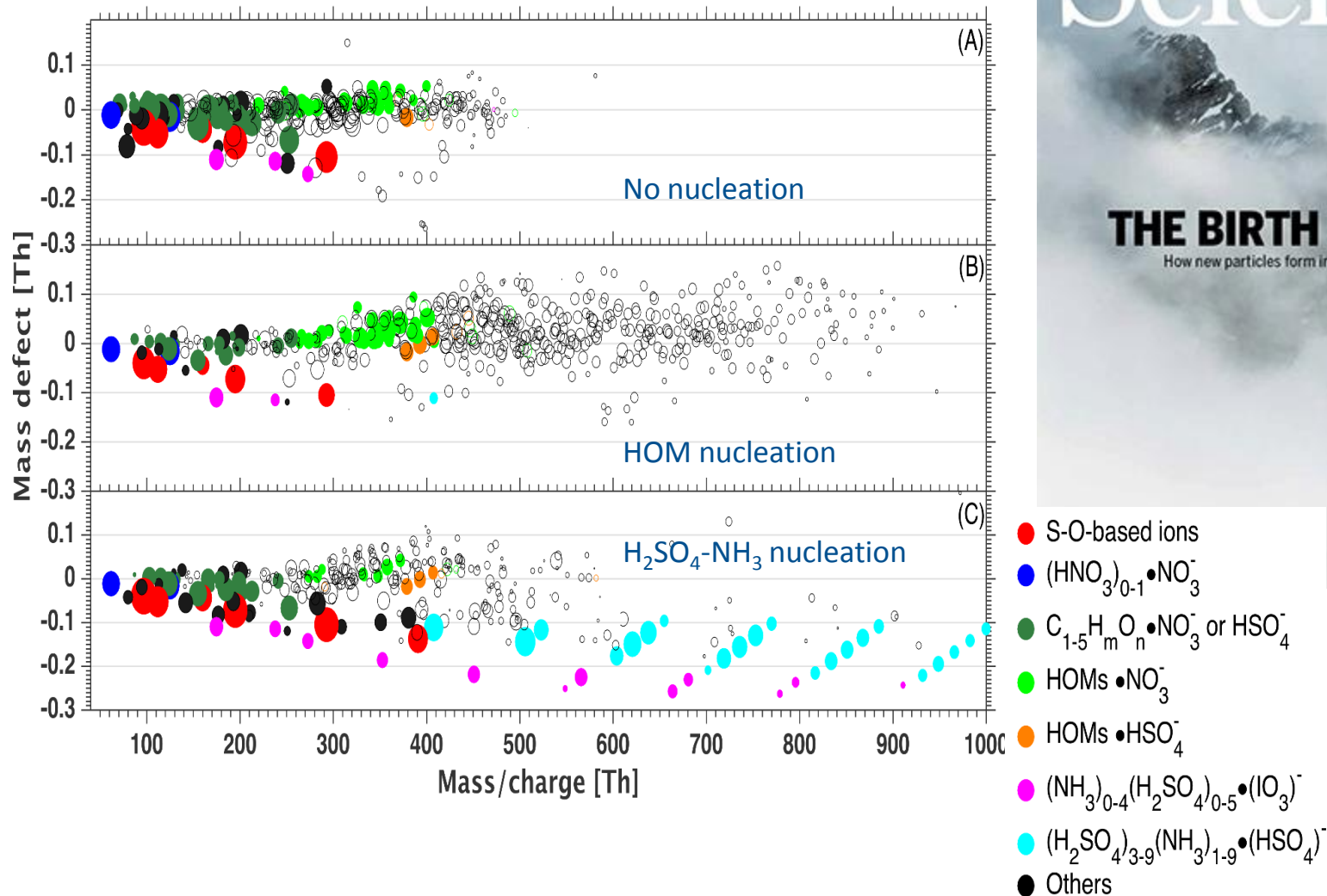
- Growth accelerates as subsequently more LVOCs can condense.



- a) Modelled global CCN-concentrations at cloud base (growth by HOMs and H_2SO_4 , in 1.7-3 nm),
- b) Difference when growth by HOMs is neglected (H_2SO_4 only)

→ Initial growth by HOMs has significant impact on CCN concentration!

Atmospheric observations

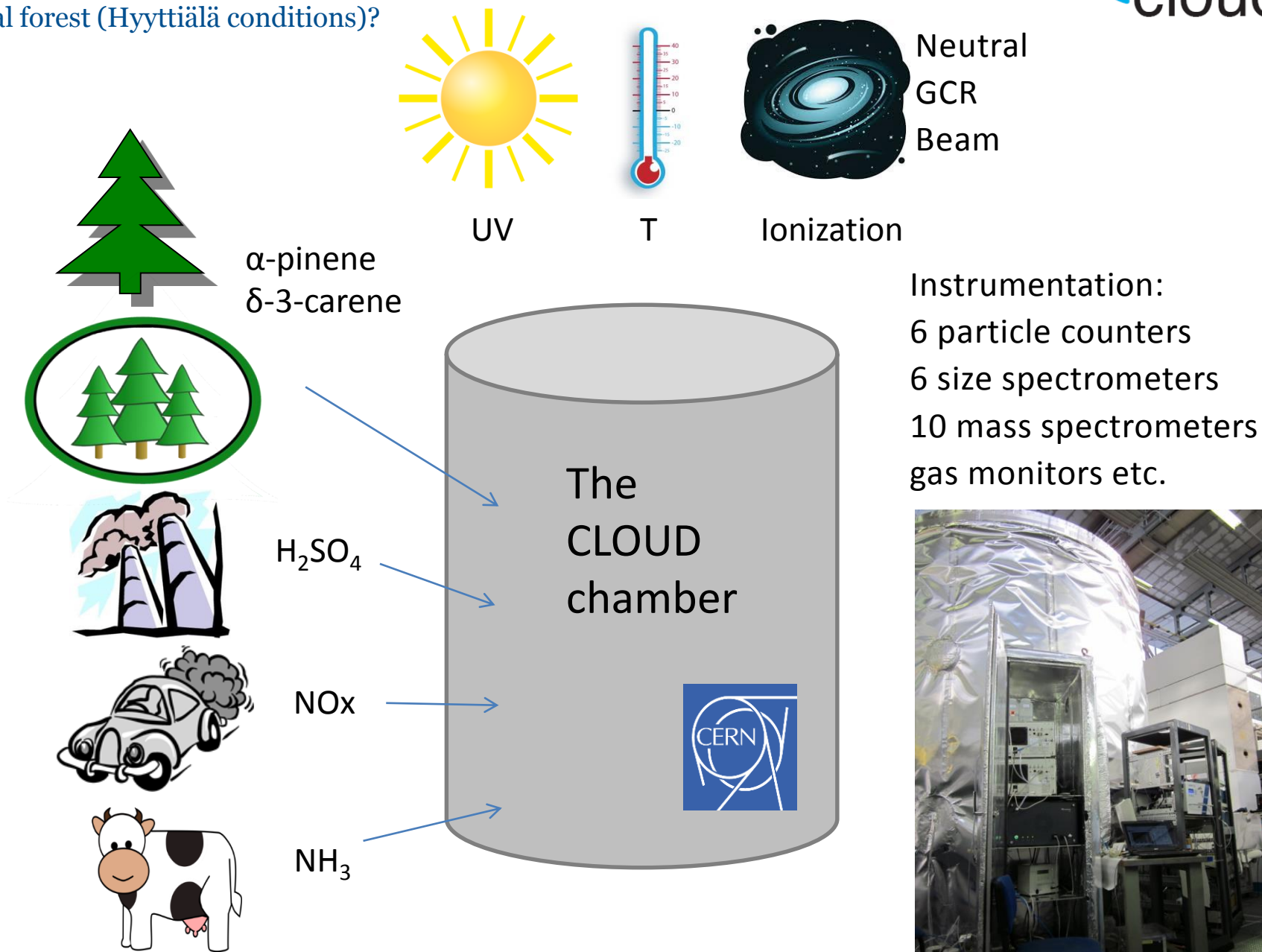


- HOM nucleation and growth also observed in free troposphere
- Sulfuric acid-ammonia nucleation more frequent

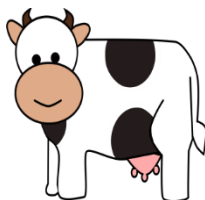
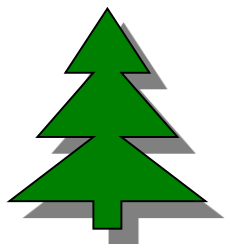
[Bianchi et al., Science, 2016]

CLOUD-10 Experiment (Sep-Dec 2015)

Can we replicate conditions
in boreal forest (Hyytiälä conditions)?



CLOUD10 results



- Complex interplay of H_2SO_4 , NH_3 and biogenic nucleators!
- Composition of nano-particles (2-10 nm)
- Role of NO_x
- Role of temperature
- Correlation with groups of ELVOCs

CLOUD11 plans for fall 2016



CLOUD11 experiment is scheduled for 27 Sep – 21 Nov 2016
(final week using cosmic rays, no East Area beams).

Aims:

1. *Anthropogenic* aerosol particle nucleation and growth.
Toluene, trimethylbenzene and naphthalene.
Nucleation and growth under polluted urban conditions.
2. *Pure biogenic* aerosol particle nucleation and growth
 - Interplay of *isoprene* (C_5H_8), *α -pinene* ($C_{10}H_{16}$), and *β -caryophyllene* ($C_{15}H_{24}$).
 - Influence of NO_x , oxidant concentrations (O_3 and OH), humidity and temperature.
 - Various ion conditions (neutral, GCR and beam).
 - Assess atmospheric importance of pure biogenic nucleation, using the global aerosol model GLOMAP.

Beam requested during CLOUD11.

Requests



Office space:

- CLOUD has typically 30 persons present during experiments

→ *Request for a permanent open office/meeting room (~50 m²) for CLOUD close to the T11 experimental zone.*

Personnel:

- CLOUD is supported by CERN with 1.2 FTE technical support (0.2 increase).
- In addition to the technical support, CLOUD needs at least 2 fellows in the CERN team:
 - a) a research fellow to coordinate the analysing instruments for each campaign and related tasks.
 - b) a technical fellow to take responsibility for the CLOUD DAQ and control systems.

CLOUD request that the CERN Fellows and Associates Committee will agree to consider young researchers with an atmospheric research background as candidates for a CERN research fellowship.

CLOUD request to be assigned a technical fellow's position so that a suitable DAQ expert can be hired.

CLOUD MEETINGS IN 2015-2016

CLOUD7–9 data workshop, Paul Scherrer Institute, 2–6 Feb 2015. Analysis of data from CLOUD7–9.

CLOUD-TRAIN summer school, Cacais, Portugal, 7–13 Jun 2015.

CLOUD collaboration meeting, CERN, 21–23 Oct 2015. incl. FRC4.

CLOUD10 data workshop, Hyytiälä Forestry Field Station, Finland, 1–4 Feb 2016.

CLOUD-TRAIN final conference, Königstein, Germany, 14–17 Jun 2016. incl. 20 invited external experts.





Honors

Andreas Kürten from U Frankfurt received the **Smoluchowski Award** at the European Aerosol Conference in 2015 in recognition of his 2014 PNAS paper on CLOUD results for neutral amine-sulfuric acid clusters. It is the most prestigious award for early career researchers in aerosol science.

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