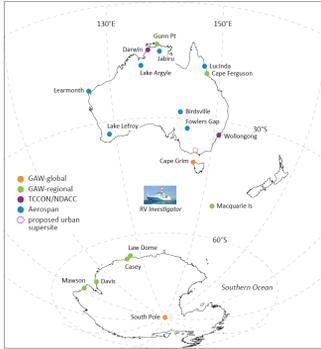




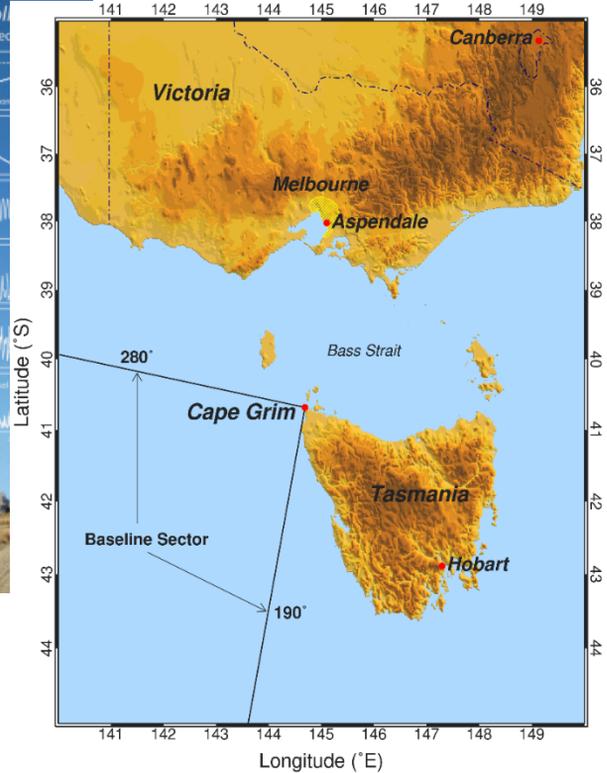
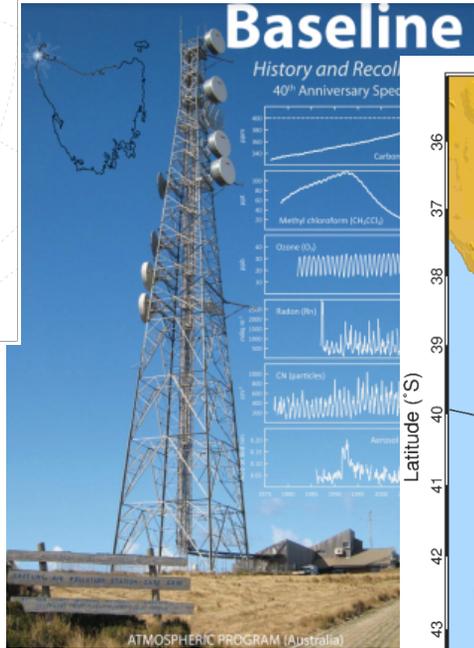
Long term aerosol observations at Kennaook Cape Grim and CAPE-k

Melita Keyword

Kennaook Cape Grim Baseline Station



Kennaook Cape Grim is a joint responsibility of the Bureau of Meteorology and the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)



BoM funds and operates the Kennaook Cape Grim atmospheric observational facility.
CSIRO provides scientific capability and leadership

Kennaook Cape Grim Science Programs

- Radon Alistair Williams
ANSTO
- Greenhouse gases and ozone depleting substances (GGODS) – Paul Krummel, Zoe Loh and Ray Langenfelds
CSIRO
- Aerosols, Reactive Gases and Multiphase Atmospheric Chemistry (ARGMAC) Melita Keyword, Erin Dunne and Ruhi Humphries
CSIRO
- Radiation Joanna Turner
Southern Queensland
University

ARGMAC Aerosols

- Aerosol microphysical properties (CN3, CN11, size distribution, CCN)
- Aerosol optical properties (scattering, absorption)
- Aerosol chemical composition (PM10, PM2.5, tofACSM)
- Rainwater chemical composition

ARGMAC Program Goals

Investigates the nature, sources and processes of production and evolution of climatically important particles over the Southern Ocean

Characterise

Southern Ocean marine boundary layer aerosol and the processes that relate aerosol to climate change

Identify

trends in our long-term data sets (particles and gaseous elemental mercury)

Contribute

data and information to data centres and assessments

data and information that will lead to the improvement/assessment of aerosol and multiphase atmospheric chemistry schemes in models

Kennaook
Cape Grim
record gives
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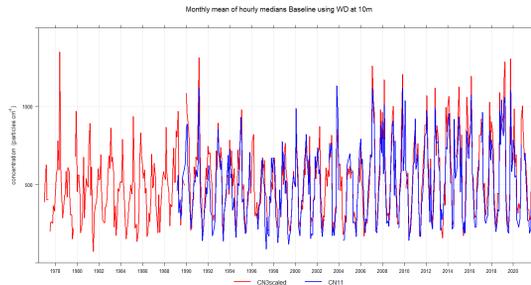
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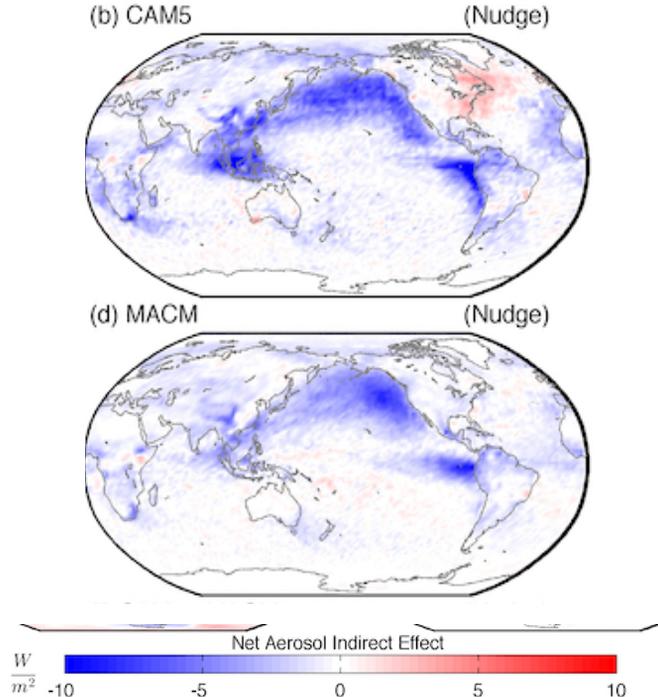
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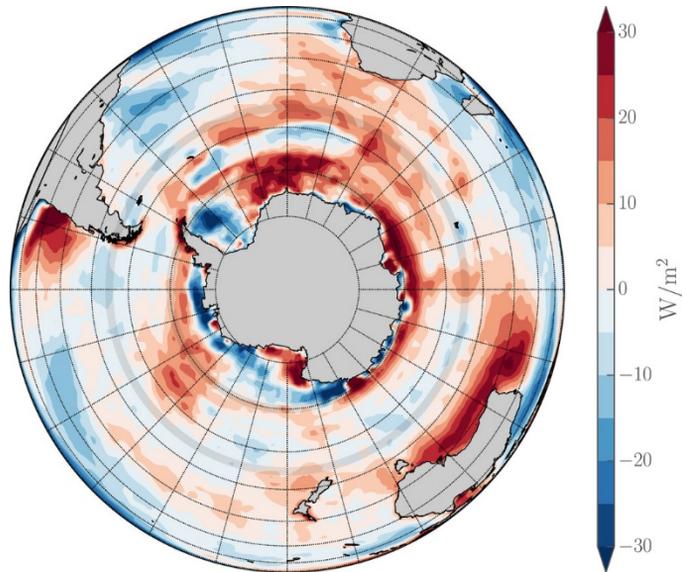
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- Earth's radiative budget
- Biogeochemical cycling, impacts on ecosystems
- Regional air quality
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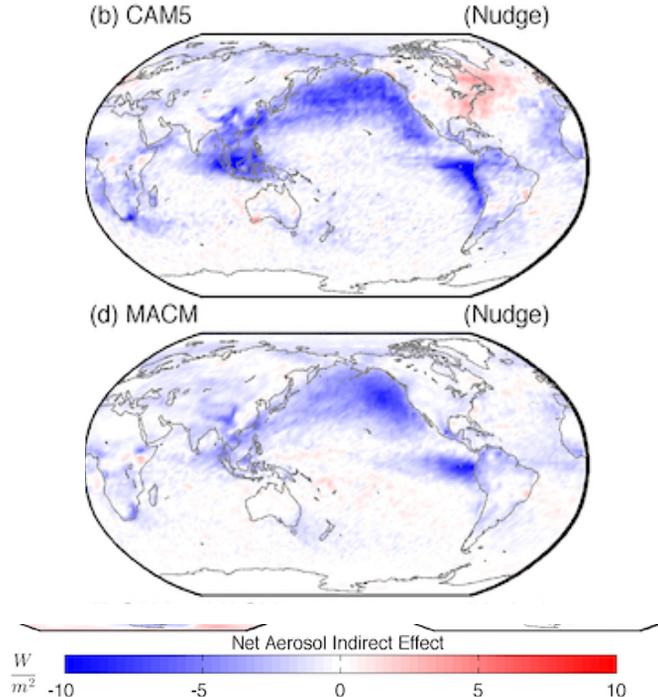
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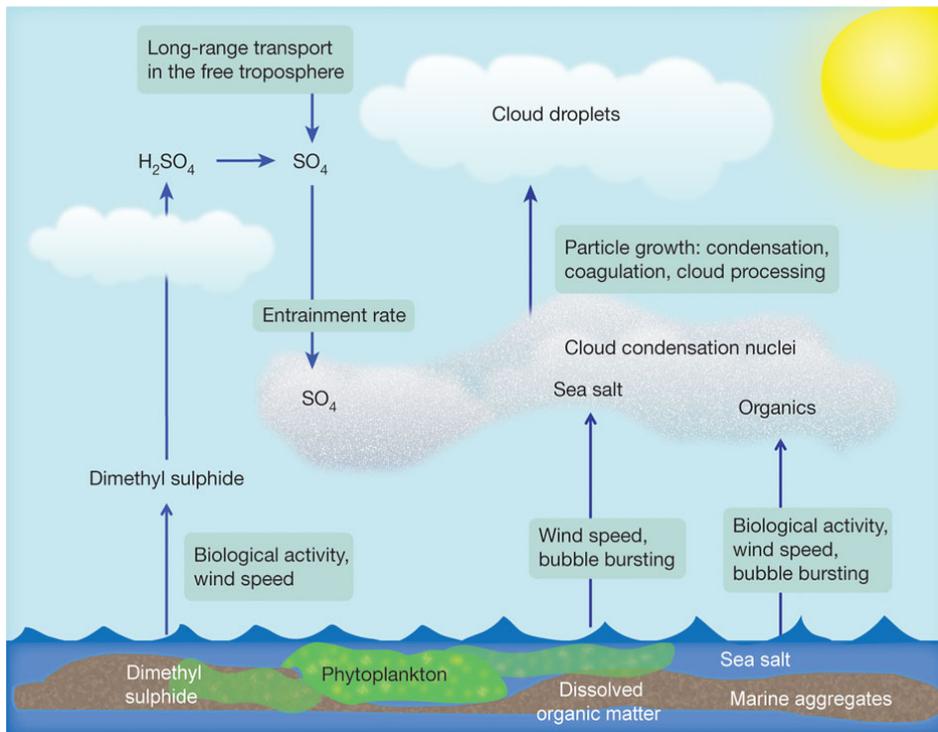


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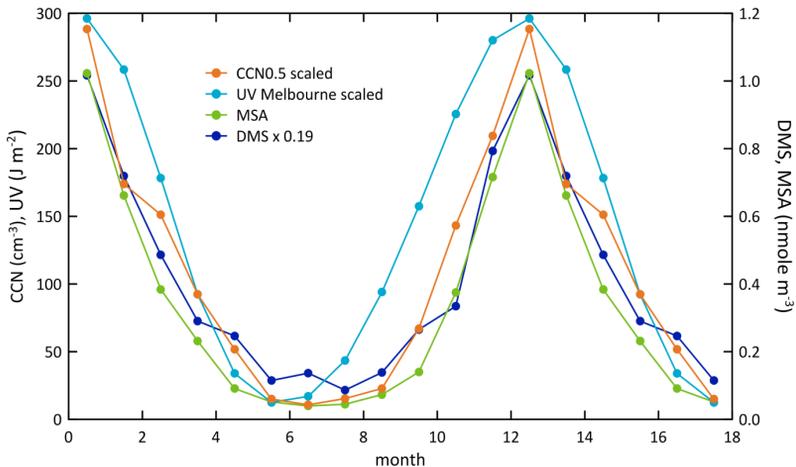


Marine aerosol sources

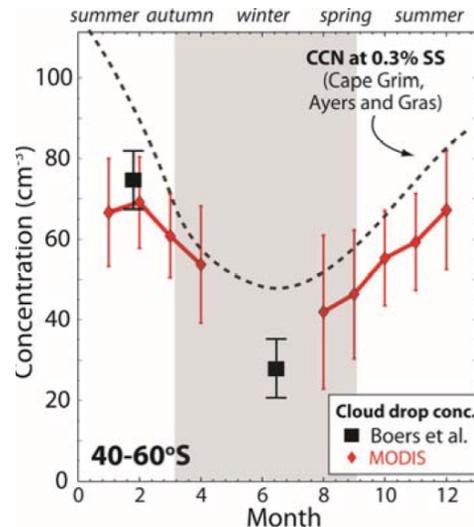


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Cloud Condensation Nuclei



Gras and Keywood 2017 *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 17(7), 4419-4432. doi:10.5194/acp-17-4419-2017



SOCRATES white paper

CCN are not a particular type of particle, but a highly variable subset of the aerosol population.

The sources and sinks of CCN over the SO are actively researched

Achievements- long term records

A 45-year record of ultrafine particle number concentration (CN3)

A 33-year record of particle number concentration (CN10)

A 25-year (1981-2006) manual baseline CCN record (monthly median CCN (1.23%, 0.96%, 0.71%, 0.47% and 0.23 %SS) 2-6 days per month measured in baseline wind sector (190-280)

A 15-year record of cloud condensation nuclei concentration (CCN) measured continuously (0.5%SS)

A 31 -year record of black carbon concentrations (BC) (aerosol absorption)

A 16-year record of forward aerosol scattering at 3 wavelengths

A 46-year record of soluble ion concentrations in ~ PM10 including MSA, sea-salt and non-sea salt sulfate (NSSS)

A 20-year record of gravimetric mass and soluble ion concentrations in PM2.5 for MSA, sea salt and NSSS

A 37-year record of soluble ion concentrations in weekly baseline rainfall including sea salt and NSSS

19-year record of annual passive POPs concentrations (GAPS network, a collaborative program with Environment Canada)

~ 10 year record of gaseous elemental mercury via continuous measurement.

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CN11	Particle number (CN10) hourly averages 2011-2021 TSI3010 Note CN data (2006-2010) submitted to WDCA in NARSTO format	WDCA - unique link
CN3	Particle number (CN3) hourly medians 1977 to 2007 using the Automated Pollack Counter	CSIRO DAP – https://doi.org/10.25919/xd4e-b034
CN3	2007-2021-various TSI instruments	CSIRO Servers
Aerosol scattering	Aerosol forward scattering at 450 nm, 525 nm and 635 nm 2011-2021 using Ecotech 3000 Nephelometer	WDC Aerosols- unique link
Aerosol scattering	Polar Nephelometer 2018-2021	CSIRO servers
Aerosol Absorption	Aerosol Absorption at hourly averages 637 nm 2011-2021 using MAAP and AE33	WDC Aerosols- unique link
BC	Hourly medians BC old aethalometer	Commitment to submit to CSIRO DAP
CCN 0.5%SS	CCN hourly averages 2012-2021	WDC Aerosols - unique link
CCN 1.2%, 0.96%, 0.71%, 0.47% and 0.23% SS	Manual monthly CCN medians 1981 to 2002 using the static thermal diffusion chamber	CSIRO DAP- https://doi.org/10.25919/bzkn-pq93
PM10ish composition	Soluble ion composition weekly baseline samples 1989-2003 using the Gold Top sampler	KCG Archives and CSIRO servers Commitment to submit to CSIRO DAP
PM10 and PM2.5 Composition	2003 onwards	CSIRO servers
Precipitation composition		KCG Archives and CSIRO servers
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BC

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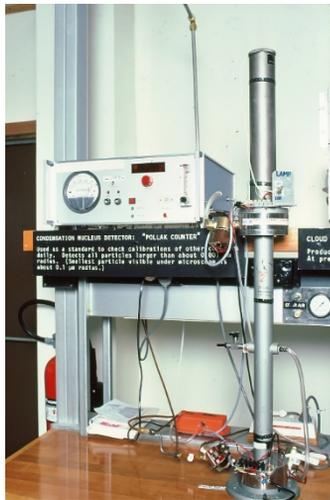
2011-2021 WDCA CN10, CCN, scattering and absorption

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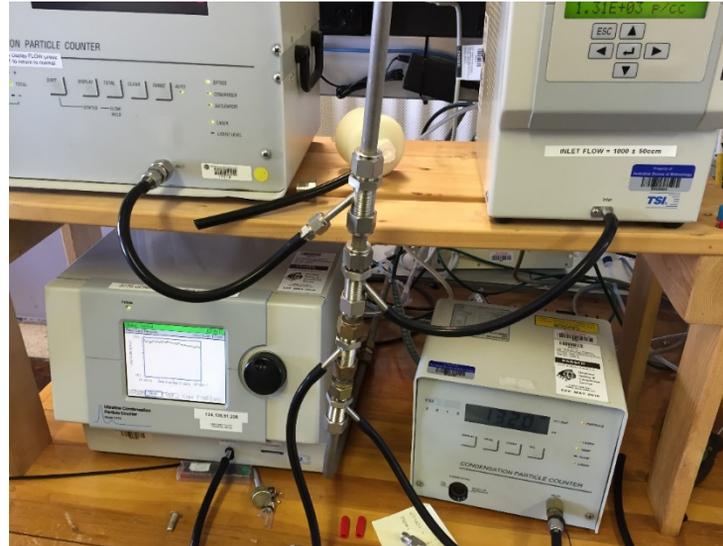
Historical data sets CSIRO DAP or CSIRO servers

New instruments –data submission protocols under development

Particle number concentrations



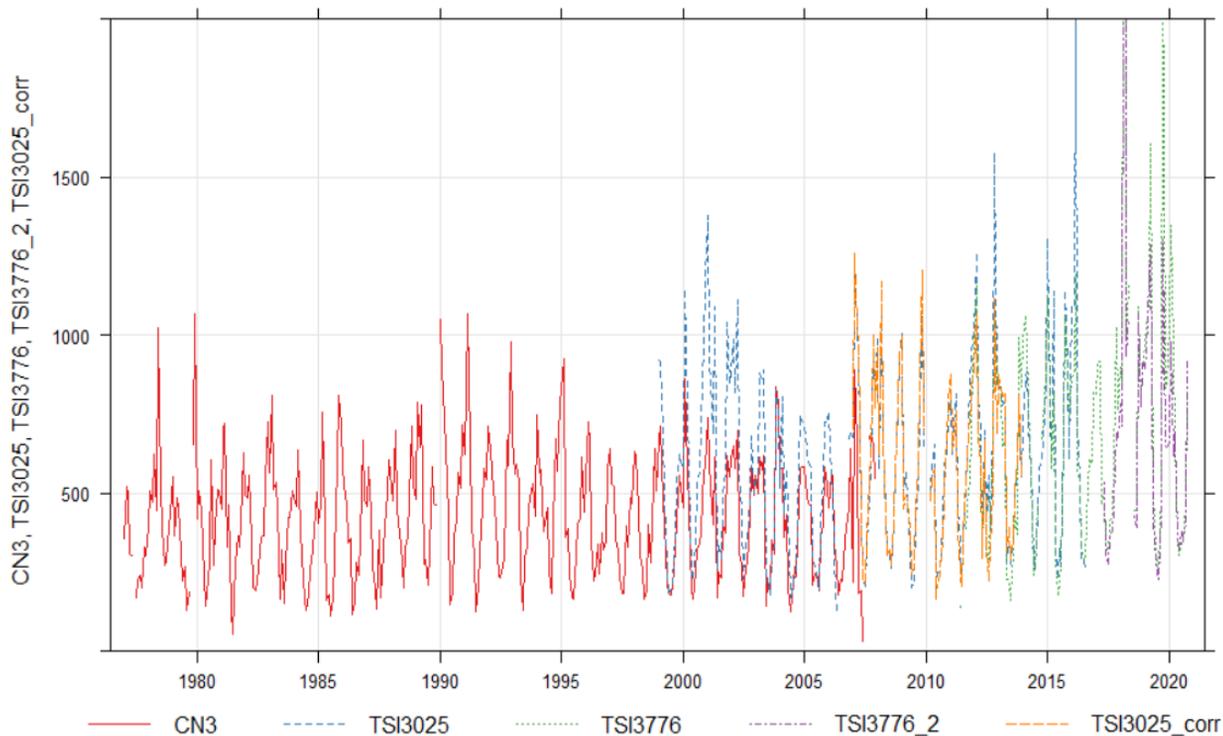
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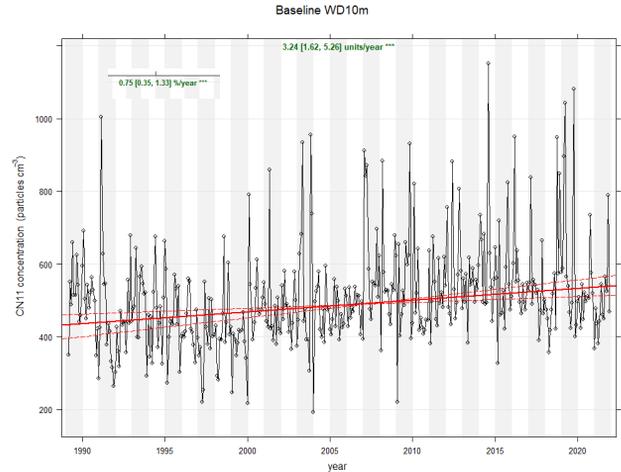
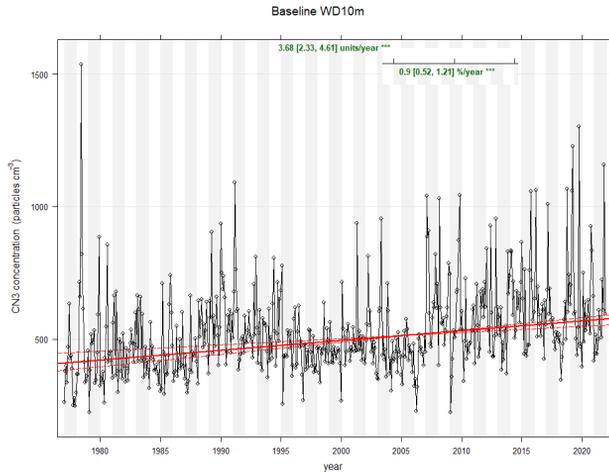
1998 to present

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BL WD10m monthly means of hourly medians

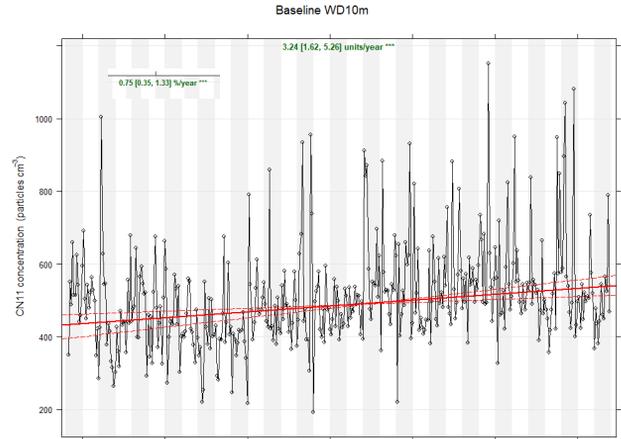
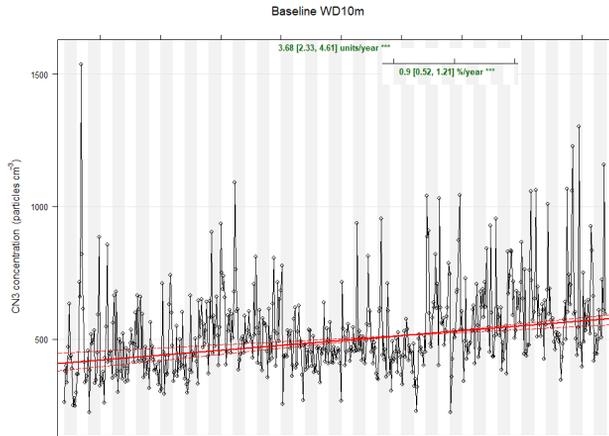


CN trends



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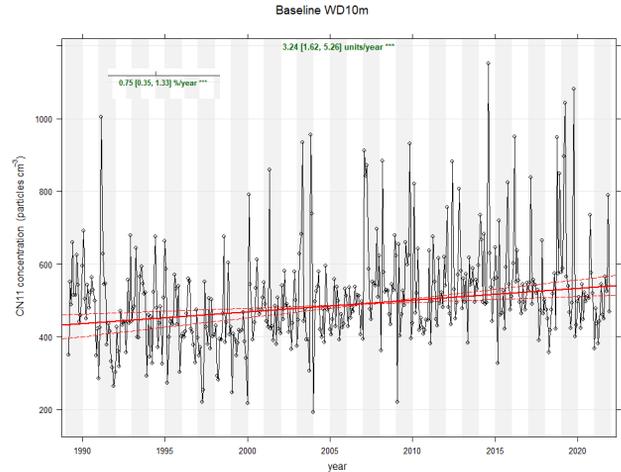
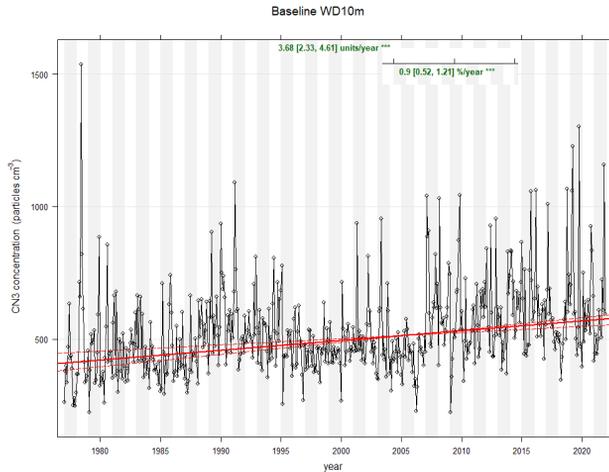
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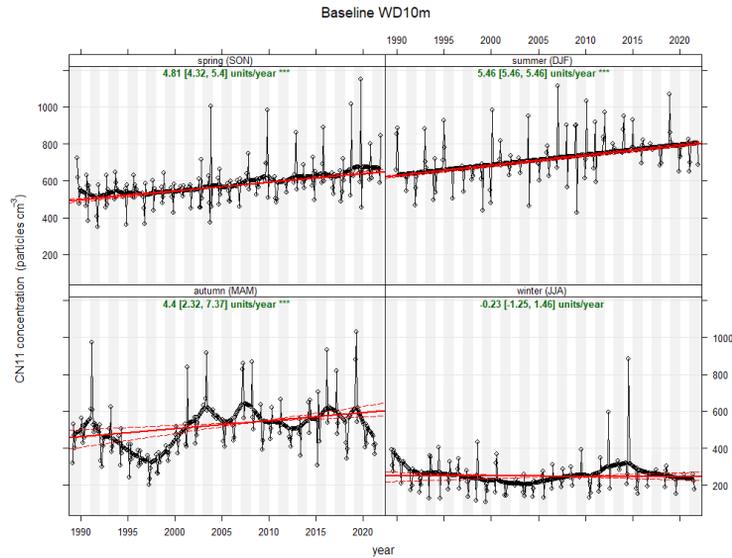
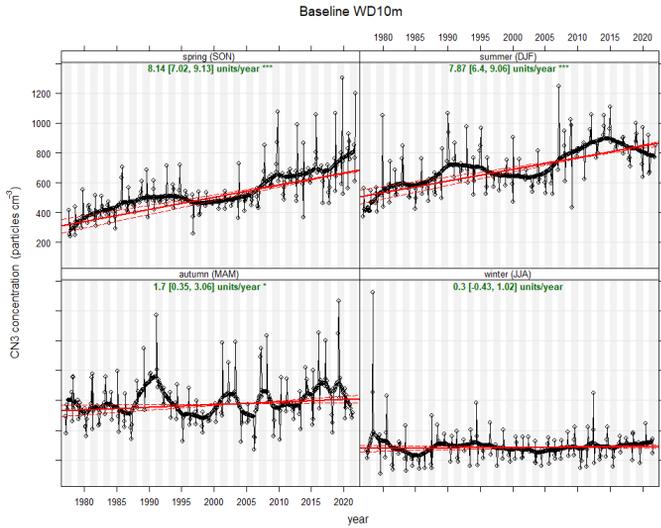
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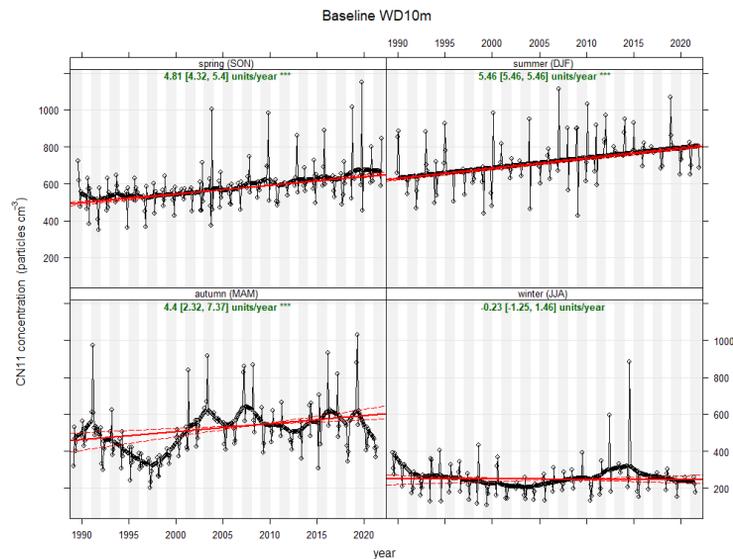
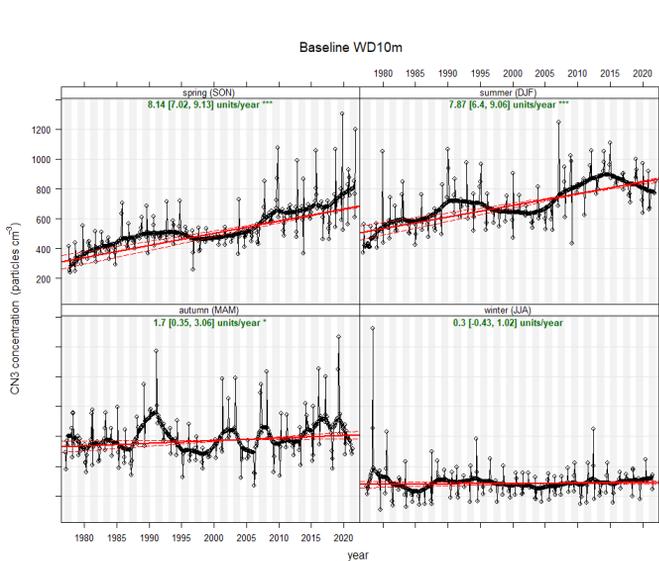
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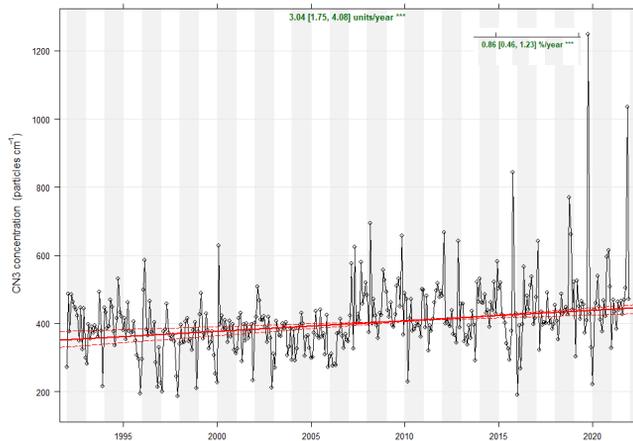
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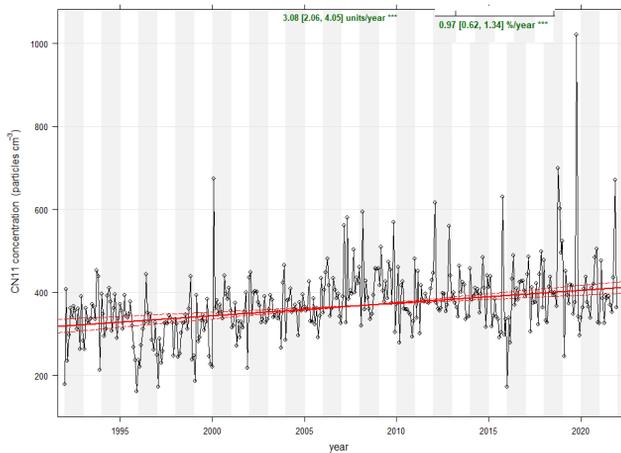


CN3 over 45 years that's an increase 135 -180 particles cm^{-3}
 Almost a doubling of baseline summer and spring medians in 45 years

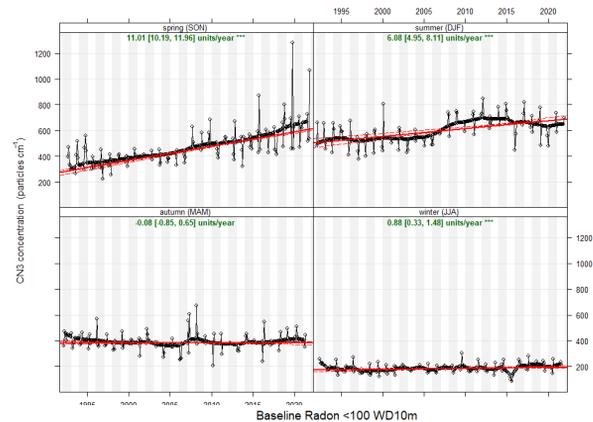
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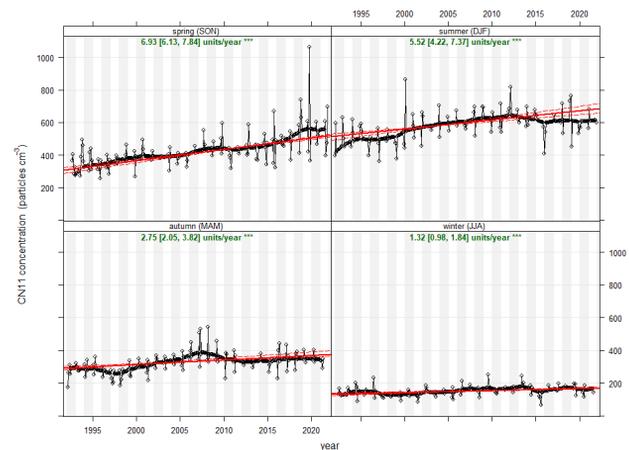
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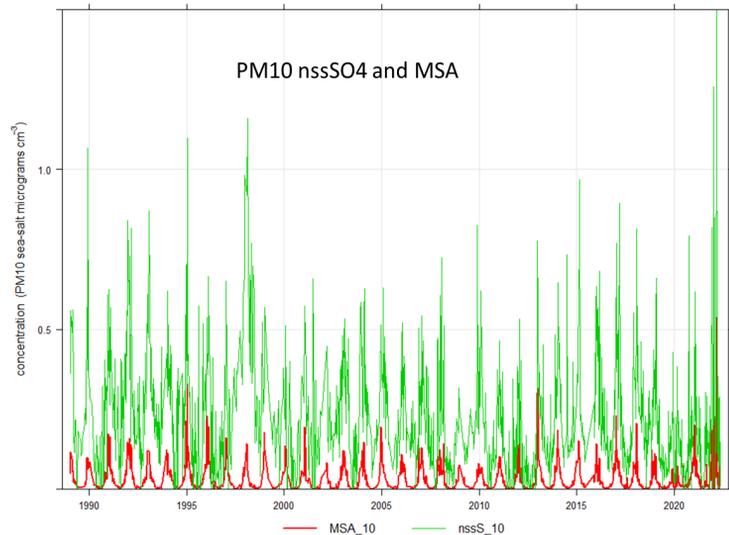
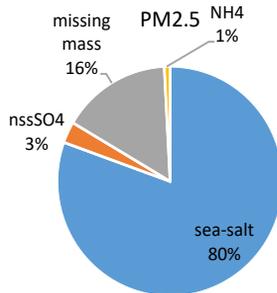


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Aerosol chemical composition

- Weekly integrated samples show seasonal and annual information e.g. climatology's of sources
- How does chemistry influence CCN or optical properties?
- More information in the continuous records of aerosol microphysics



Continuous chemical composition -tof-ACSM

Time of flight aerosol chemical speciation monitor

- Inlet system –background subtraction
- Aerodynamic lens (70- 700 nm)
- Turbo pump- separates gas-phase from th particle beam
- Ionization chamber with vaporizer (600 C) particles flash vaporized and are ionized b electron impact
- ToF Ms separates ions according to their mass-to-charge ratio (MQ)
- The raw time-of-flight mass spectra are converted to unit mass resolution (UMR) spectra by integrating over each m/Q
- The mass spectral signals are converted to particle mass loadings ($\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$) using calibrated ionization efficiency (convert ions to mass) and flow rate (to determine volume of air sampled).

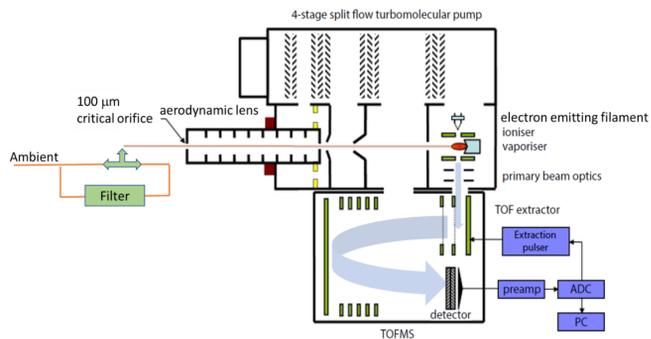
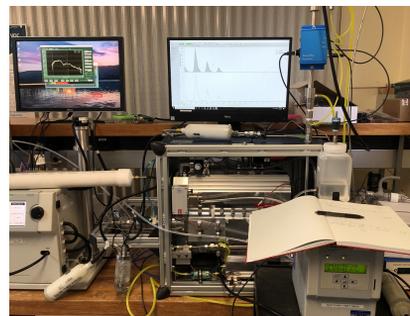
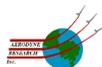


Figure 1. Schematic of the ToF-ACSM.
Frohlich (AMT, 2013)



Time of flight aerosol chemical speciation monitor

- Only non-refractory components – not crustal oxides or BC
- Frag tables for species e.g. MSA and now seasalt
- Organics lumped together here
- PMF to pull out different organic species
- Data for October 2020- June 2023



Marker Peaks for Aerosol Species Identification

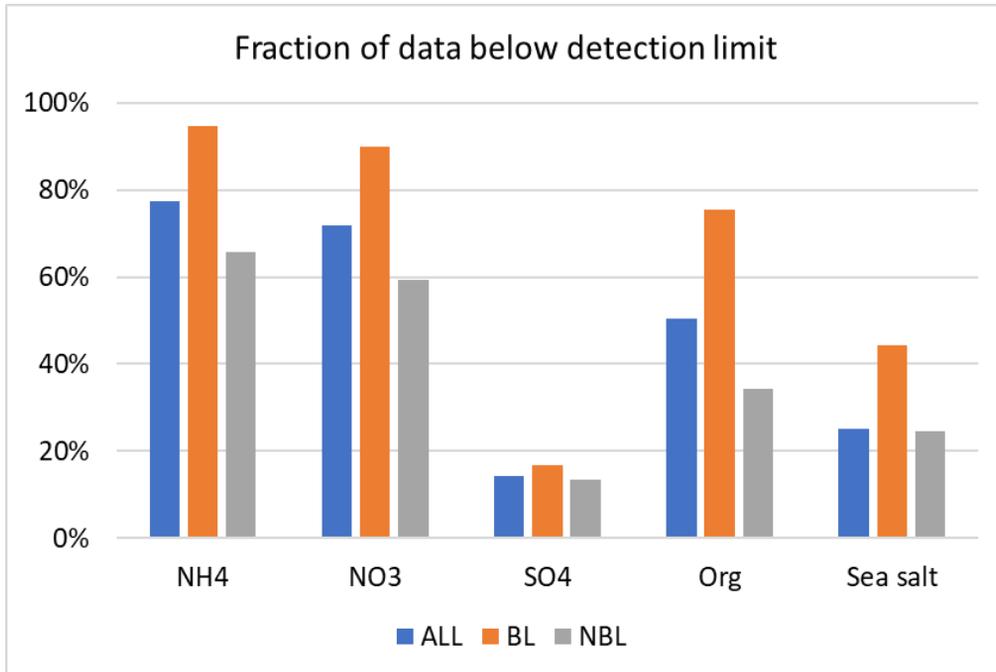
Standard AMS/ACSM colors

Group	Molecule/Species	Ion Fragments	Mass Fragments
Water	H ₂ O	$\xrightarrow{e^-}$ H ₂ O ⁺ , HO ⁺ , O ⁺	18, 17, 16
Ammonium	NH ₃	$\xrightarrow{e^-}$ NH ₃ ⁺ , NH ₂ ⁺ , NH ⁺	17, 16, 15
Nitrate	HNO ₃	$\xrightarrow{e^-}$ HNO ₃ ⁺ , NO ₂ ⁺ , NO ⁺	63, 46, 30
Sulfate	H ₂ SO ₄	$\xrightarrow{e^-}$ H ₂ SO ₄ ⁺ , HSO ₃ ⁺ , SO ₃ ⁺ SO ₂ ⁺ , SO ⁺	98, 81, 80 64, 48
Organic (Oxygenated)	C _n H _m O _y	$\xrightarrow{e^-}$ CO ₂ ⁺ H ₃ C ₂ O ⁺ , HCO ₂ ⁺ , C _n -H _m ⁺	44 43, 45, ...
Organic (hydrocarbon)	C _n H _m	$\xrightarrow{e^-}$ C _n -H _m ⁺	27,29,41,43,55,57,69,71...

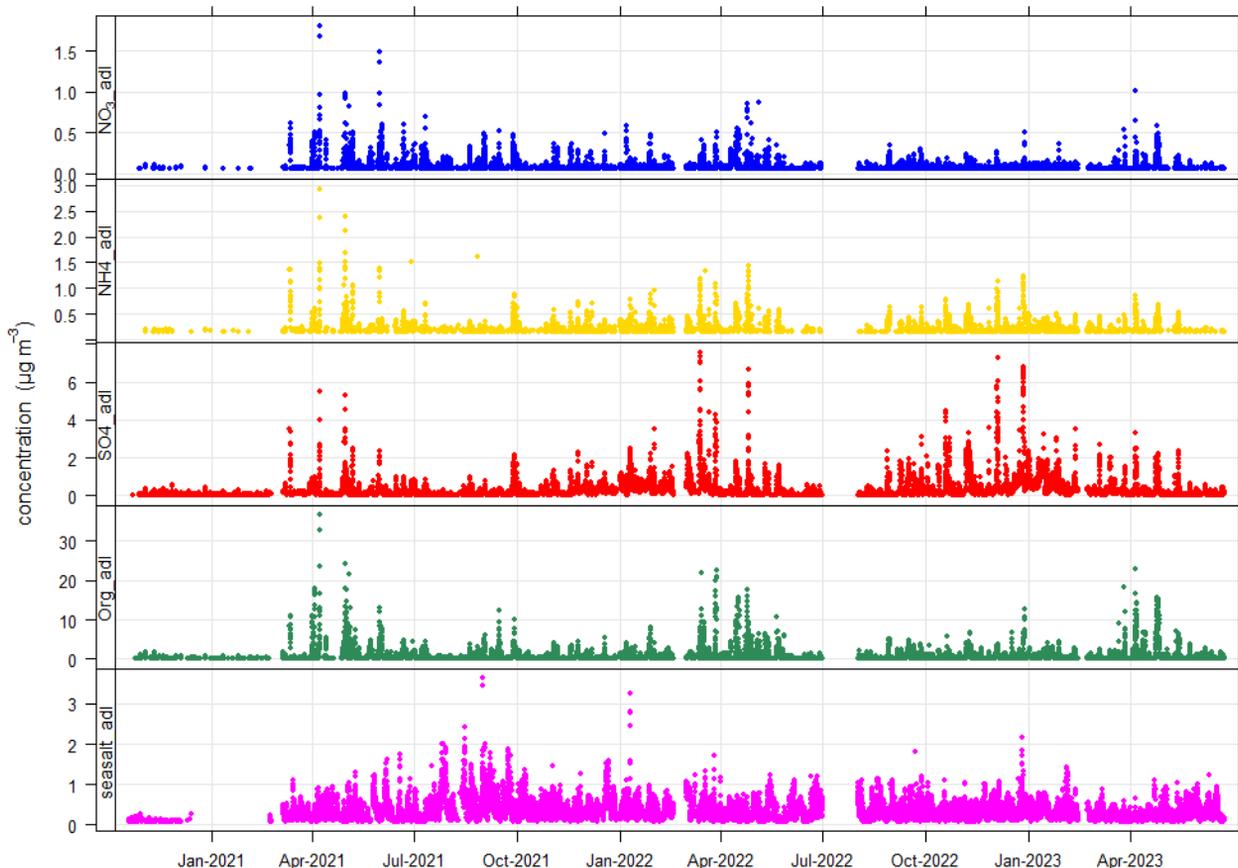
Standard electron impact ionization 70 eV

Detection limits

NH4	NO3	SO4	Org	Sea salt
0.157	0.056	0.018	0.164	0.078

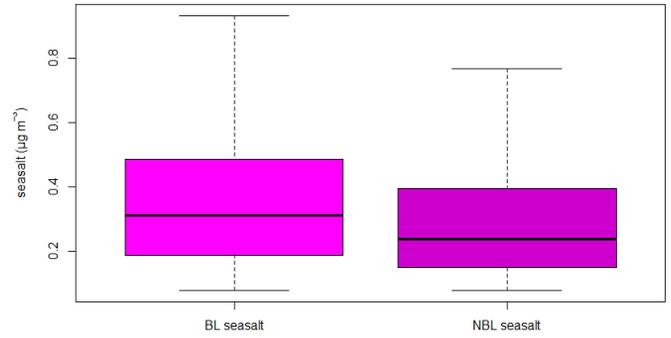
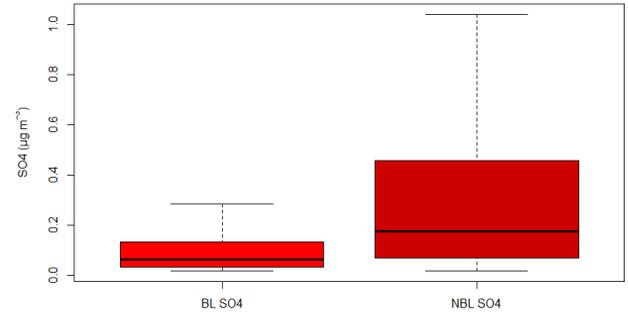
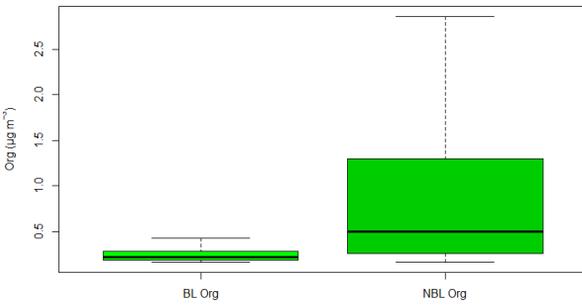
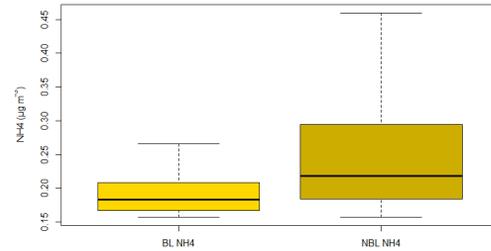
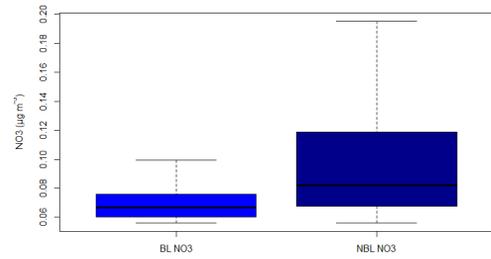


hourly means all data



• NO₃_adl • NH₄_adl • SO₄_adl • Org_adl • seasalt_adl



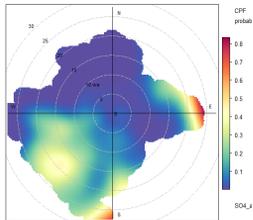


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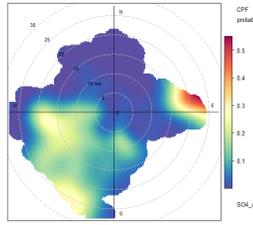
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20-30 percentile

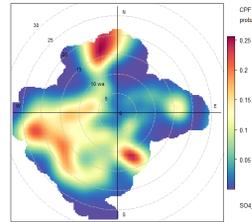
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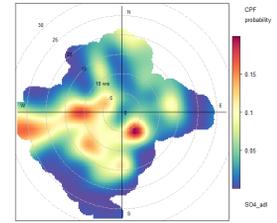
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CPF (0.028 to 0.039)



CPF (0.039 to 0.054)

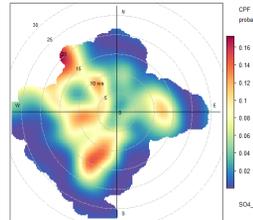


CPF (0.054 to 0.078)

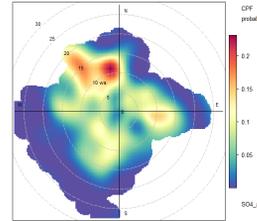
SO4 Conditional Probability

Low conc = low prob BL sector

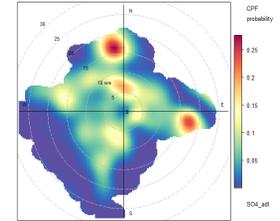
High conc = easterly lower probability parts of BL sector



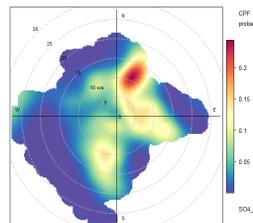
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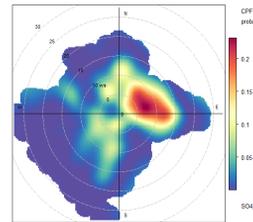
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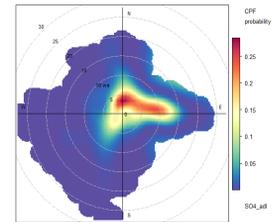
CPF (0.16 to 0.24)



CPF (0.24 to 0.38)



CPF (0.38 to 0.67)



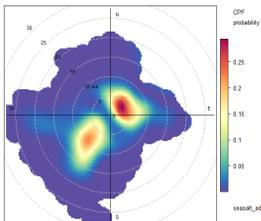
CPF (0.67 to 7.6)

70-80 percentile

80-90 percentile

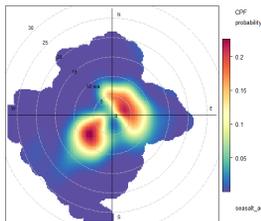
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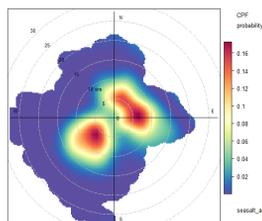
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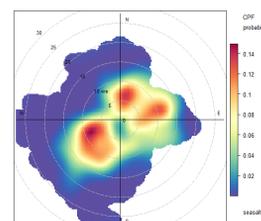
CPF (0.11 to 0.14)

20-30 percentile



CPF (0.14 to 0.18)

30-40 percentile



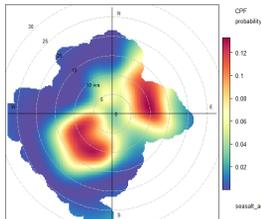
CPF (0.18 to 0.22)

Seasalt Conditional Probability

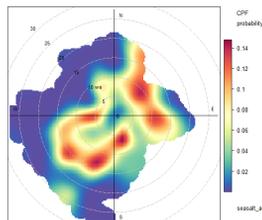
Low conc = low ws and bimodal

High conc = north-westerly 100% probability

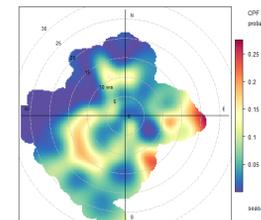
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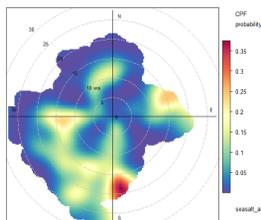
CPF (0.22 to 0.26)



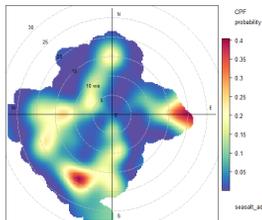
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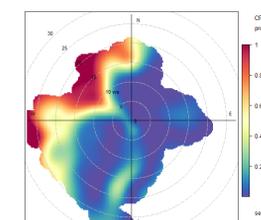
CPF (0.32 to 0.39)



CPF (0.39 to 0.48)



CPF (0.48 to 0.64)



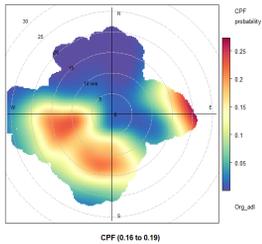
CPF (0.64 to 3.6)

70-80 percentile

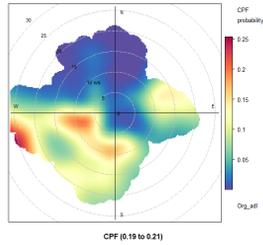
80-90 percentile

90-100 percentile

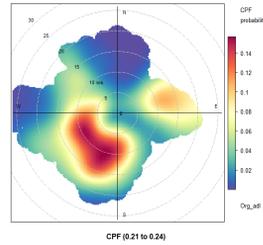
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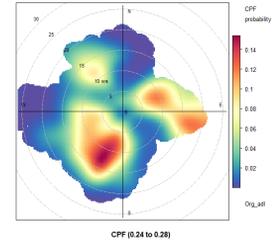
10-20 percentile



20-30 percentile



30-40 percentile



Org Conditional Probability

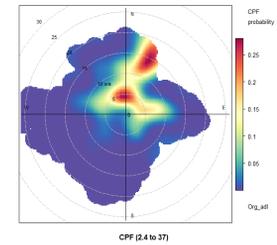
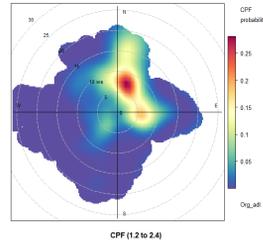
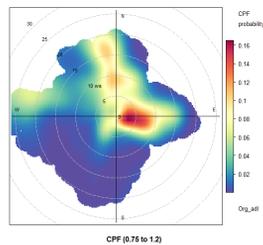
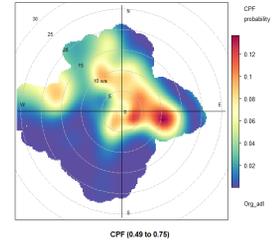
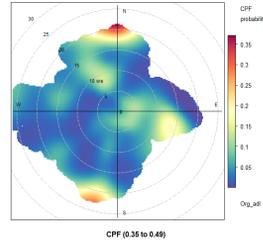
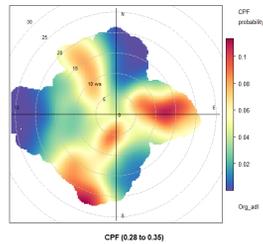
Low conc = BL

High

conc = northeasterly,

Note

all probabilities are fairly low

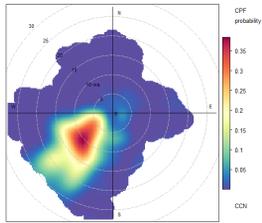


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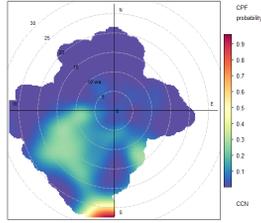
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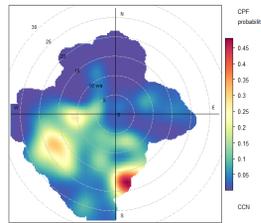
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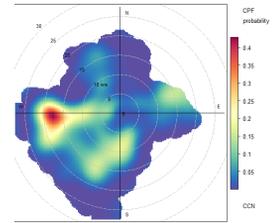
CPF (0.08 to 43)



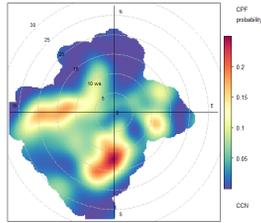
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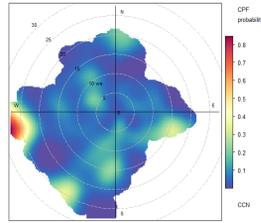
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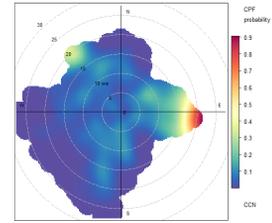
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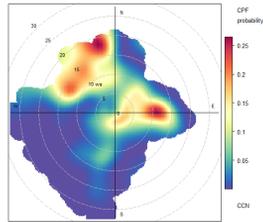
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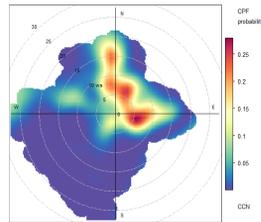
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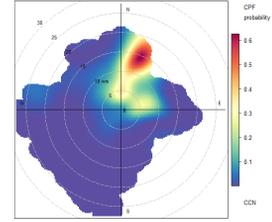
CPF (189 to 245)



CPF (245 to 364)

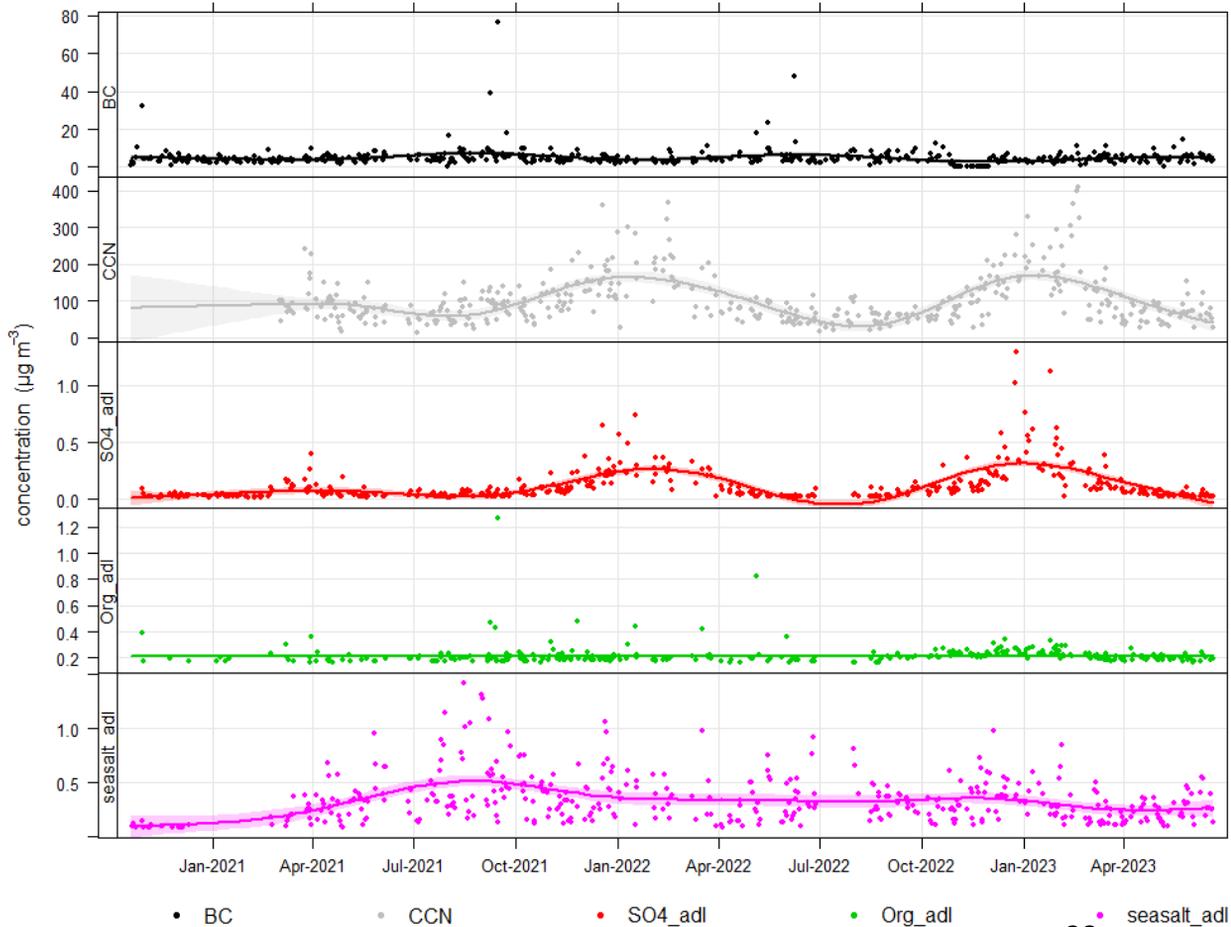


CPF (364 to 697)



CPF (697 to 19575)

Baseline



• BC

• CCN

• SO4_adl

• Org_adl

• seasalt_adl

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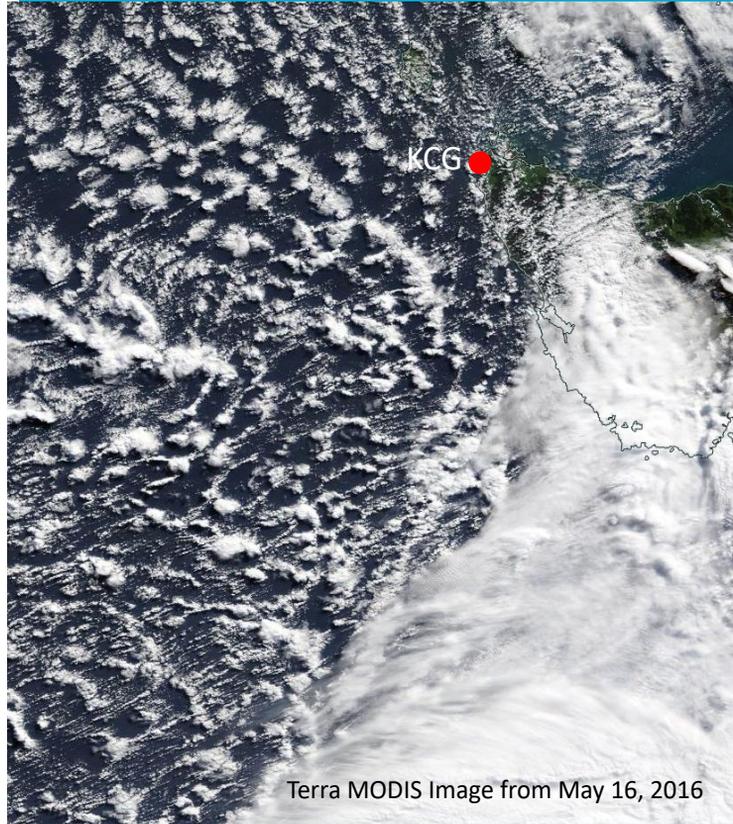




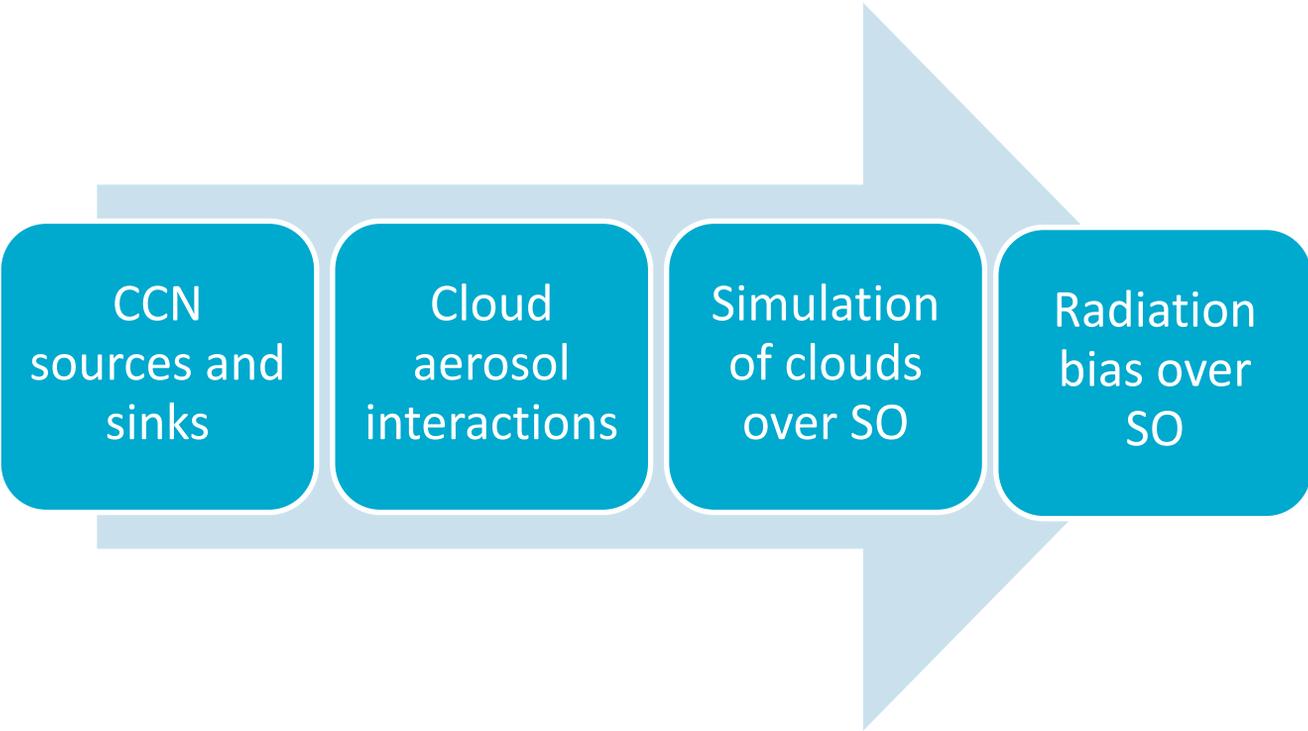
Cloud And Precipitation Experiment at kennaook (CAPE-k)

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Terra MODIS Image from May 16, 2016



CCN
sources and
sinks

Cloud
aerosol
interactions

Simulation
of clouds
over SO

Radiation
bias over
SO

Why KCG is a good place to investigate radiative forcing?

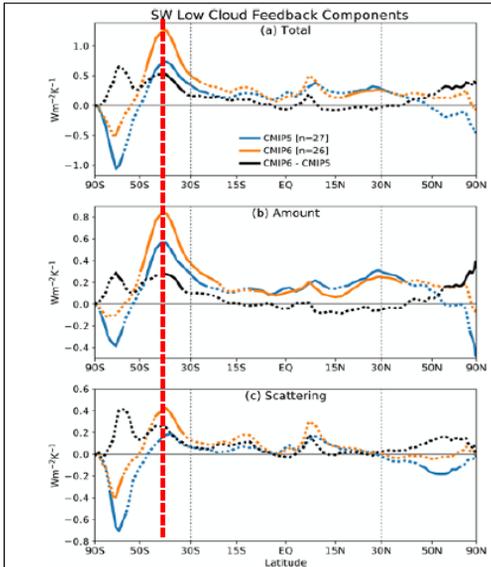


Fig. A1 - (a) Zonal mean SW low cloud feedback and its breakdown into (b) amount and (c) scattering components for the (blue) CMIP5 and (orange) CMIP6 multimodel means. Latitudes where at least 80% of the models agree on the sign of the feedback are plotted with a solid line. Multimodel mean differences are shown in black lines, which are solid where differences are significant ($p < 0.05$). Results are plotted against the sine of latitude to display uniform area weighting. The red line highlights the latitude of KCGBAPS. Figure taken from Zenilinka et al. [2020]. From CAPE-K proposal

- Low-clouds* are ubiquitous over the mid-latitude oceans of both hemispheres (Woods 2012)
- CMIP6 simulate strong latitudinal gradients in the response of low-clouds to increases in GHG in the Southern Hemisphere high and mid-latitudes
- Uncertainty in the low cloud feedback remains the largest source of intermodel spread in warming (climate sensitivity)
- Spread in uncertainty is pronounced at KCG latitude

*Low-altitude clouds with cloud-tops in or near the BL

Motivation

- Seasonal cycles in aerosol modulate cloud (and precipitation?) properties across the entire Southern hemisphere mid latitudes.
- KCG aerosol dataset is foundational for understanding Southern Hemisphere baseline air chemistry, aerosol, and radiation
- Great long-term record of aerosols at KCG, but no systematic observations of cloud-precipitation processes
- KCG provides an “accessible” location for a comprehensive deployment of modern ground-based remote sensors that can sample clouds in baseline air
- US organisations ASR (Atmospheric Systems Research) and ARM (Atmospheric Radiation Measurements) have a keen interest in midlatitude cloud feedbacks

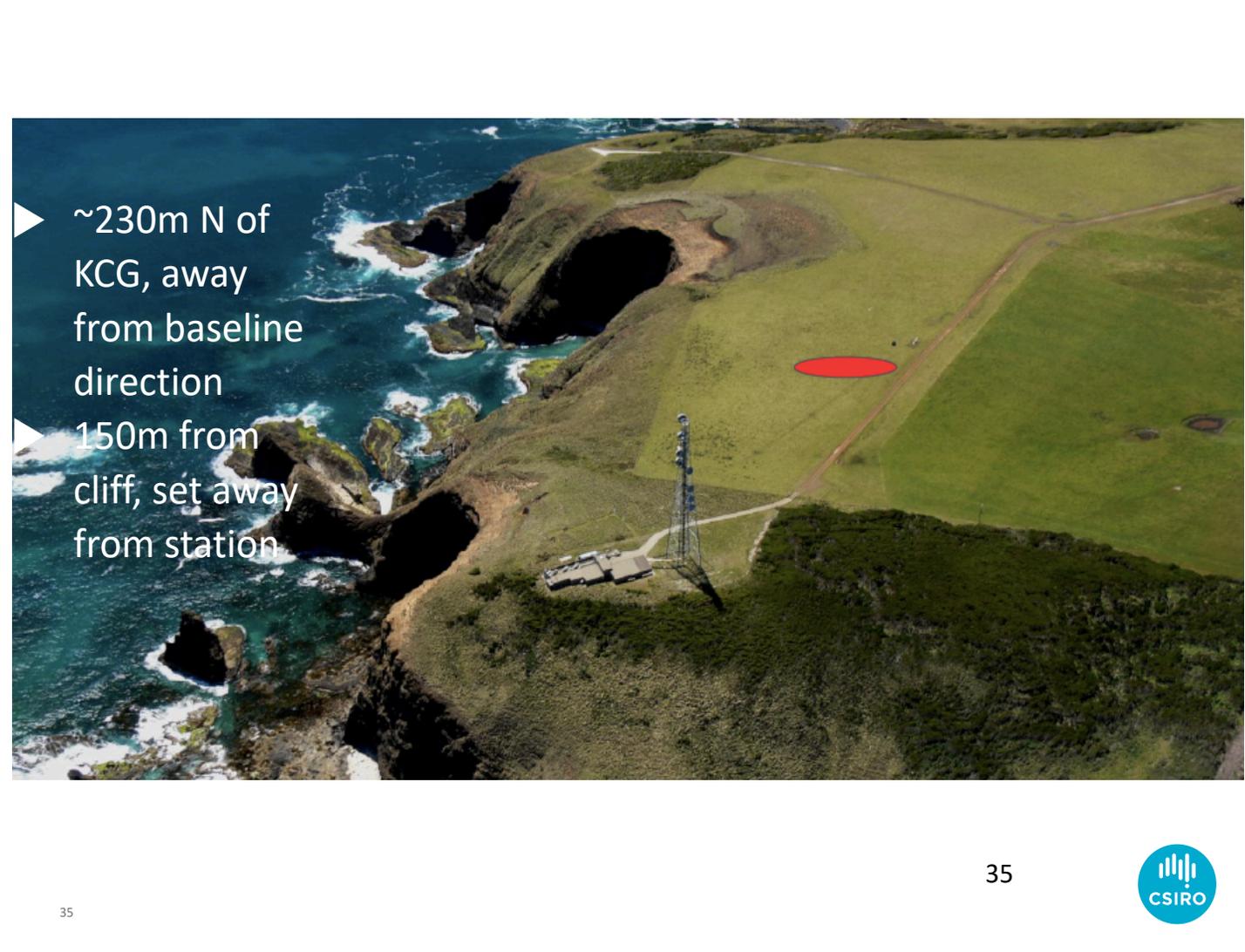
CAPE-k

- **Main Theme:** Aerosol-Cloud-Precipitation Processes
- **Key Foci:**
 - CDNC (Cloud Droplet Number Concentration) Budget and Albedo Susceptibility
 - Precipitation Susceptibility to CDNC and Aerosol
 - Precipitation Phase Partitioning
 - Sensitivity of water budget to precip phase

The campaign

- 17-month deployment of ARM cloud suite: 15 April, 2024-15 September 2025
- 3-4 IOP periods (enhanced radiosondes)
- Many, many instruments (9 shipping containers have arrived from the US!), but key ones for deriving cloud & precip. properties include:
 - W-Band Doppler Radar (WACR)
 - Ka-Band Doppler Radar (KAZR)
 - Microwave Radiometer
 - Micropulse Lidar

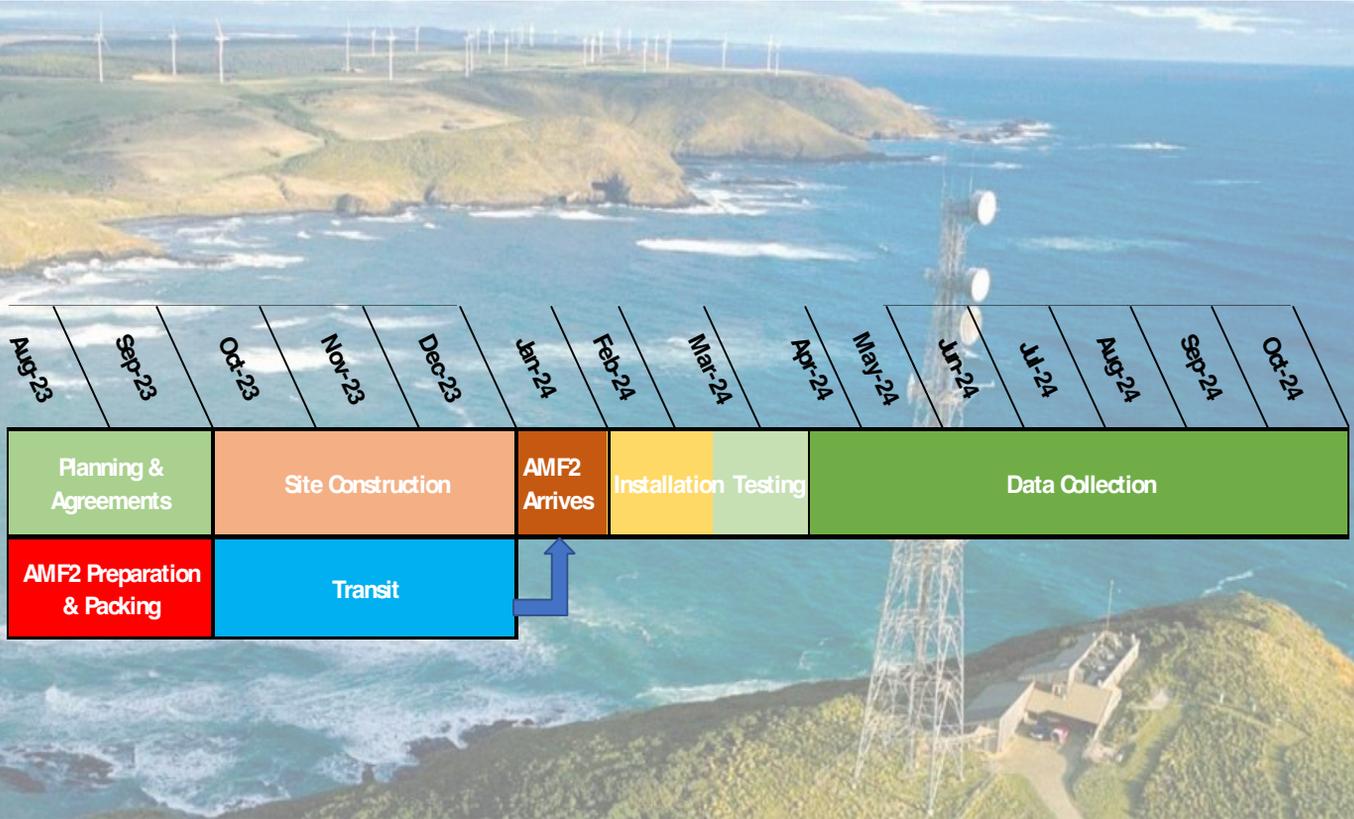
Bringing only 3 aerosol instruments to supplement our comprehensive aerosol suite

An aerial photograph showing a coastal cliffside. On the left, the ocean is visible with white waves crashing against the base of the cliff. A radio tower stands on the cliff edge, with a small building nearby. A dirt road runs across the green grassy slope. A red oval is drawn on the grass, indicating a specific location. The sky is clear and blue.

▶ ~230m N of
KCG, away
from baseline
direction

▶ 150m from
cliff, set away
from station

CAPE-k Schedule



Guest Instruments (not ARM)

Instrument (institution)	Measured parameter	Deployment period	Comments
ToF-PTRMS	VOCs	Aug 23 → ...	
CIMS (QUT)	VOCs	Aug 24 → Sep 25	ARC funded (incl QUT postdoc & UniMelb PhD)
NAIS (QUT)	Ion clusters	Aug 24 → Sep 25	
AMS (QUT)	Size resolved aerosol composition	Aug 24 → Sep 25	
LIF-SO ₂ (Uni of York)	Trace-level SO ₂	Apr 24 → Sep 25	
PINE (Leeds/KIT) + INP filters	Real-time INP concentrations	Apr 24 → Sep 25	NERC funded (incl dedicated postdoc)

+ others proposed but not confirmed



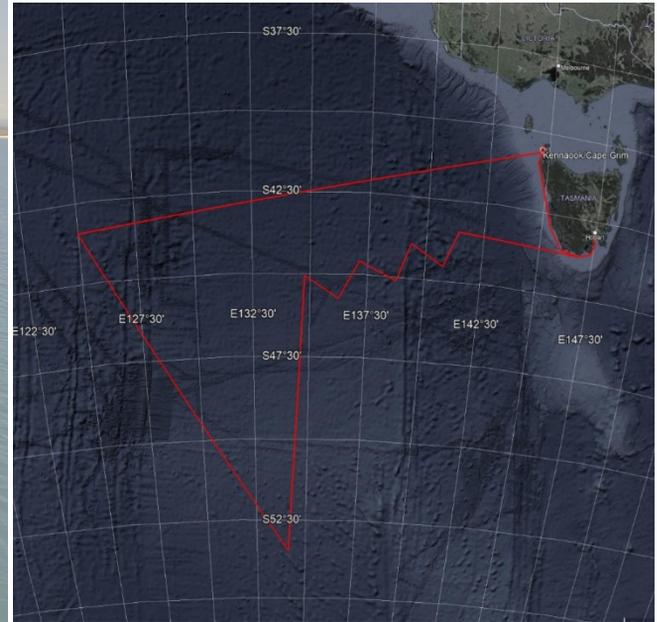
Aerosol Observing Shelter coming as space for guest instruments

COAST-K

Clean Ocean Air Sampling upwind of Tasmania – Kennaook

Measuring the world's cleanest air – validating atmospheric measurements above the Southern Ocean.

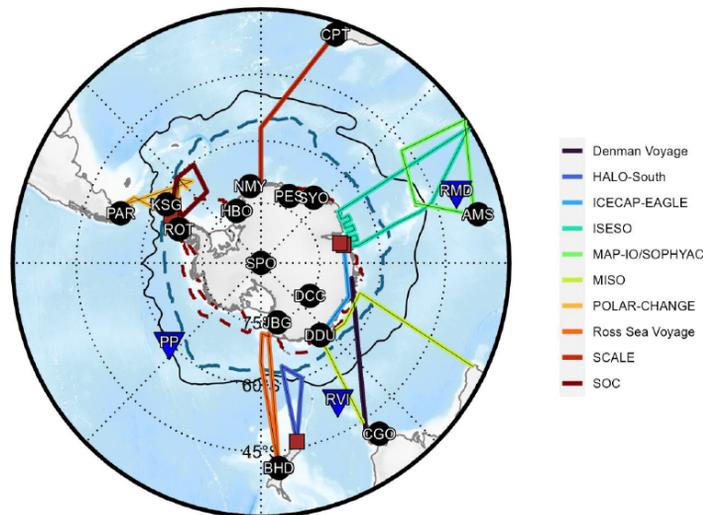
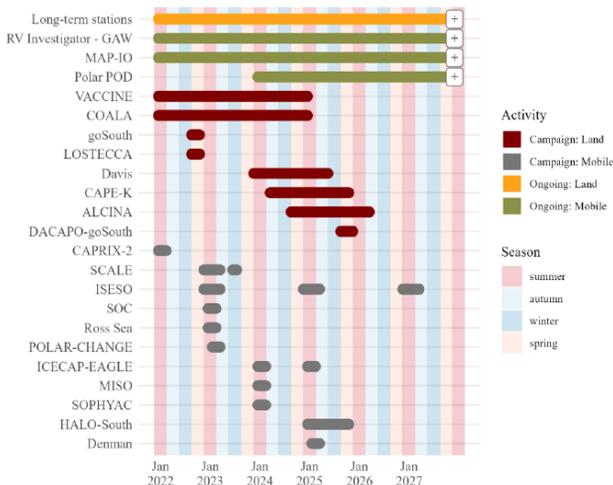
- May 2025
- Hobart – Hobart, with ~1 week offshore Kennaook/Cape Grim, then going as far upwind as we have time for.
- Chief Scientist: Ruhi Humphries
- 22 berths available (let me know if you're interested in piggybacking!)



Part of a bigger international effort

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>22 international projects happening before end of 2025!



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Goals

- Facilitate international collaboration and coordination
- Multiply & accelerate scientific impact
- Improve translation of observational science into model improvements

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