

# **Aerosol typing**

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- **Various ways of aerosol typing**
- **Tools**
- **Examples**

# Different approaches to aerosol typing

## 1. OPAC (Database on Optical Properties of Aerosols and Clouds, Hess et al. 1998)

from

Aerosol components

Insoluble

Water-soluble

Soot

Sea-salt: accumulation mode  
coarse mode

Mineral: nucleation mode  
accumulation mode  
coarse mode  
transported

Sulfate droplets

Mixing rules

to

Aerosol types

Continental: clean  
average  
polluted

Urban

Desert

Maritime: clean  
polluted  
tropical

Arctic

Antarctic

Mineral transported

Free troposphere

Stratosphere

Aerosol components, types, and the  
modelling of it: N. Sugimoto

# Different approaches to aerosol typing

## 2. CALIPSO aerosol typing scheme

(with lidar ratio estimates at 532 and 1064 nm)

**dust**

40 sr / 30 sr (v2)

→ 55 sr (v3)

$r_{\text{eff}} = 0.41 \mu\text{m}$

**clean continental**

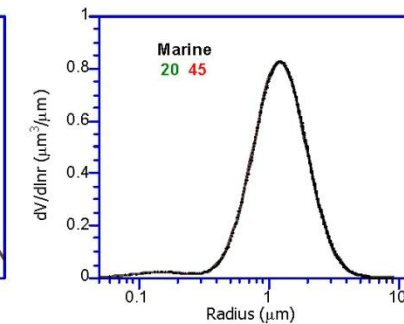
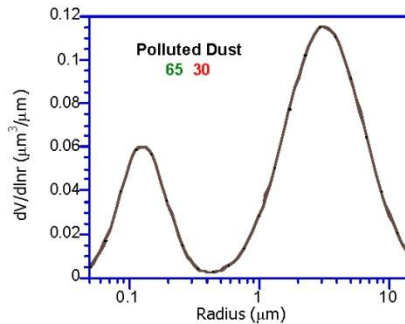
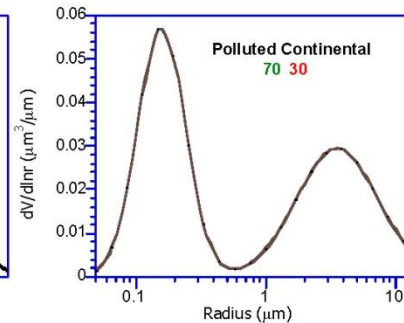
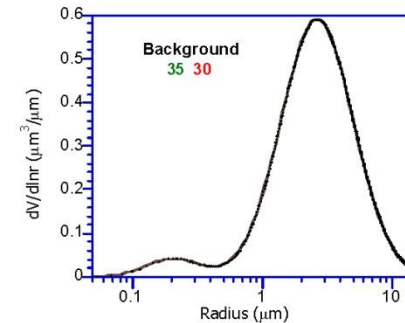
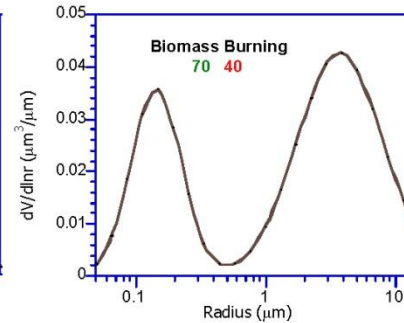
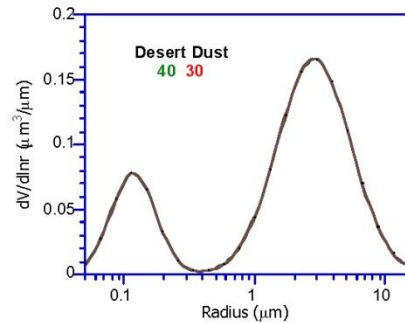
35 sr / 30 sr

$r_{\text{eff}} = 1.4 \mu\text{m}$

**polluted dust**

55 sr / 48 sr

$r_{\text{eff}} = 0.42 \mu\text{m}$



**smoke**

70 sr / 40 sr

$r_{\text{eff}} = 0.36 \mu\text{m}$

**polluted continental**

70 sr / 30 sr

$r_{\text{eff}} = 0.26 \mu\text{m}$

**clean marine**

20 sr / 45 sr

$r_{\text{eff}} = 0.92 \mu\text{m}$

# Different approaches to aerosol typing

## 3. Aerosol typing from real-world lidar observations

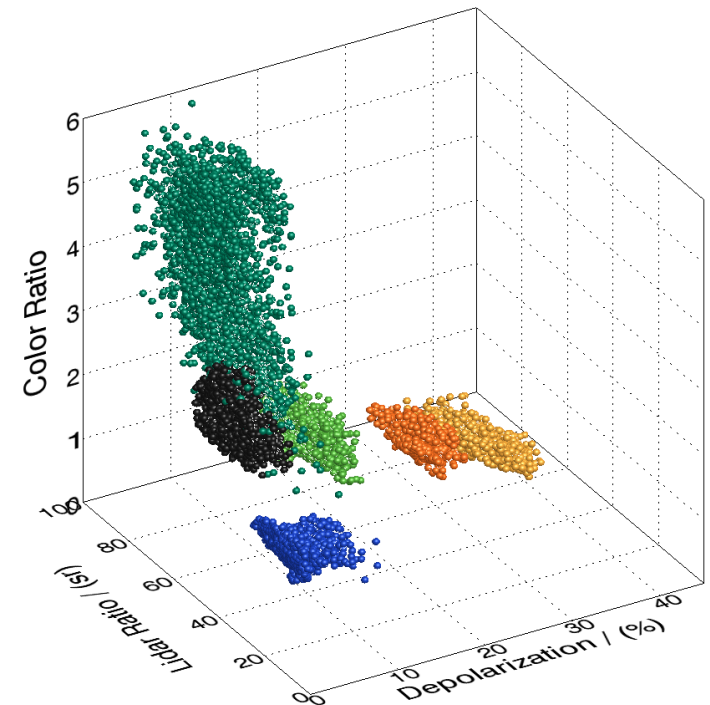
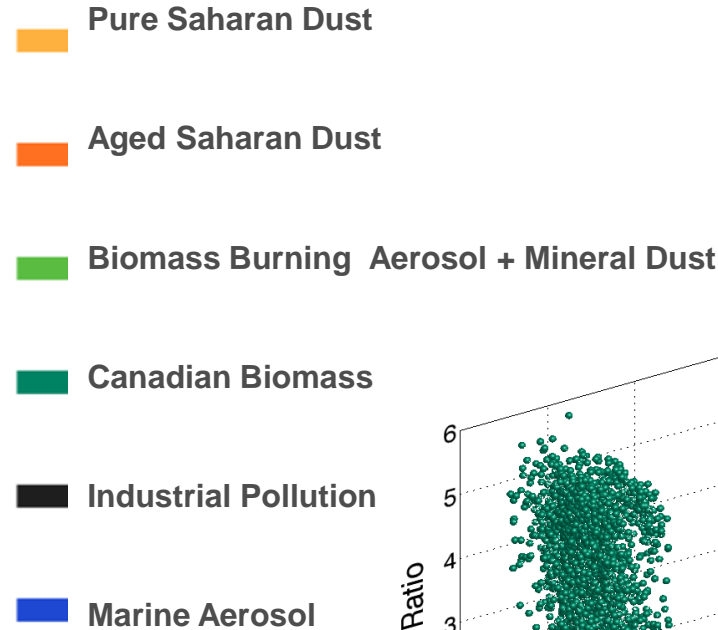
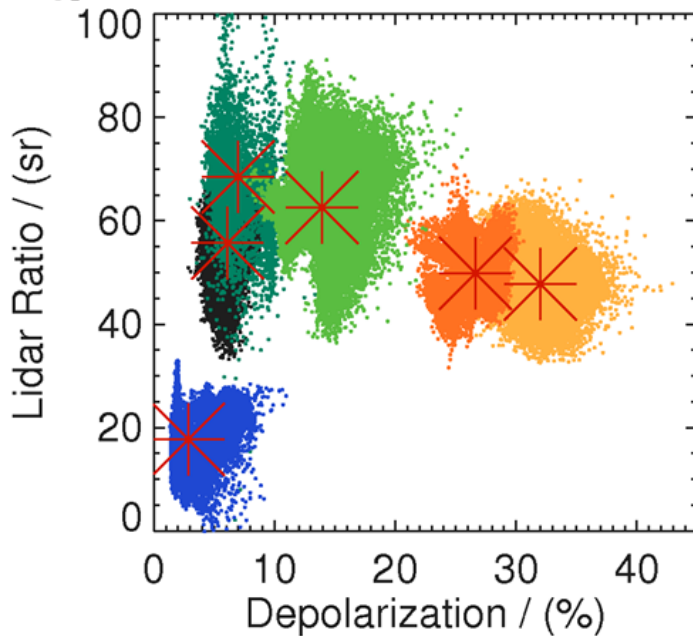
Aerosol Type and Source Region (Campaign)	Layer	S335, sr	S532, sr	$\dot{A}_p(z)$ (355/532)	$\dot{A}_a(z)$ (532/1064)	$\delta_{par}$ (532,710)
<i>Marine</i>						
North Atlantic (ACE 2)	PBL		23 ± 3	0.3 ± 0.1		
Tropical Indian Ocean (INDOEX)	PBL		23 ± 5			
Tropical Indian Ocean (INDOEX)	FT	29 ± 10	29 ± 8	0.1 ± 0.3	0.1 ± 0.2	
<i>Desert dust</i>						
Sahara (SAMUM)	PBL	55 ± 6	55 ± 5	0.2 ± 0.2	0.2 ± 0.2	30% – 35%
Sahara (EARLINET)	FT		59 ± 11	0.5 ± 0.5	0.5 ± 0.5	10% – 25%
Gobi (Beijing)	PBL	65 ± 15	35 ± 5			
Saudi Arabia (INDOEX)	FT	38 ± 5	38 ± 5	0.6 ± 0.3	1.1 ± 0.4	
<i>Urban haze</i>						
Central Europe (EARLINET)	PBL	58 ± 12	53 ± 11	1.4 ± 0.5	1.3 ± 0.5	<5%
Southwest Europe (ACE 2)	FT		45 ± 9	1.4 ± 0.2	1.4 ± 0.3	<5%
North America (EARLINET)	FT	53 ± 10	39 ± 10	1.7 ± 0.5	1 ± 0.5	<5%
<i>Arctic haze</i>						
North polar region (EARLINET)	FT	60 ± 12	60 ± 12	1.9 ± 0.3	1.2 ± 0.3	<5%
Forest fire smoke Siberia/Canada (EARLINET)	FT	46 ± 13	53 ± 11	1.0 ± 0.5	1.0 ± 0.4	<5%
<i>SEt Asian aerosol</i>						
North India (INDOEX)	FT	70 ± 20	65 ± 16	1.2 ± 0.2	1.1 ± 0.3	<5%
South India (INDOEX)	FT	40 ± 10	37 ± 10	0.9 ± 0.1	1.4 ± 0.3	<5%
Southeast Asia (INDOEX)	FT	55 ± 20	51 ± 20	1.5 ± 0.3	1.1 ± 0.3	<5%
South China (PRD)	PBL		47 ± 6	1.0 ± 0.2	1.2 ± 0.2	
North China (Beijing)	PBL		38 ± 7	1.1 ± 0.2	1.3 ± 0.2	

Müller et al., 2007

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ESA - ICAROHS

# aerosol type classification



- different **aerosol types cluster** and can be distinguished
- **spread of the clusters** is limited by natural variations in the end

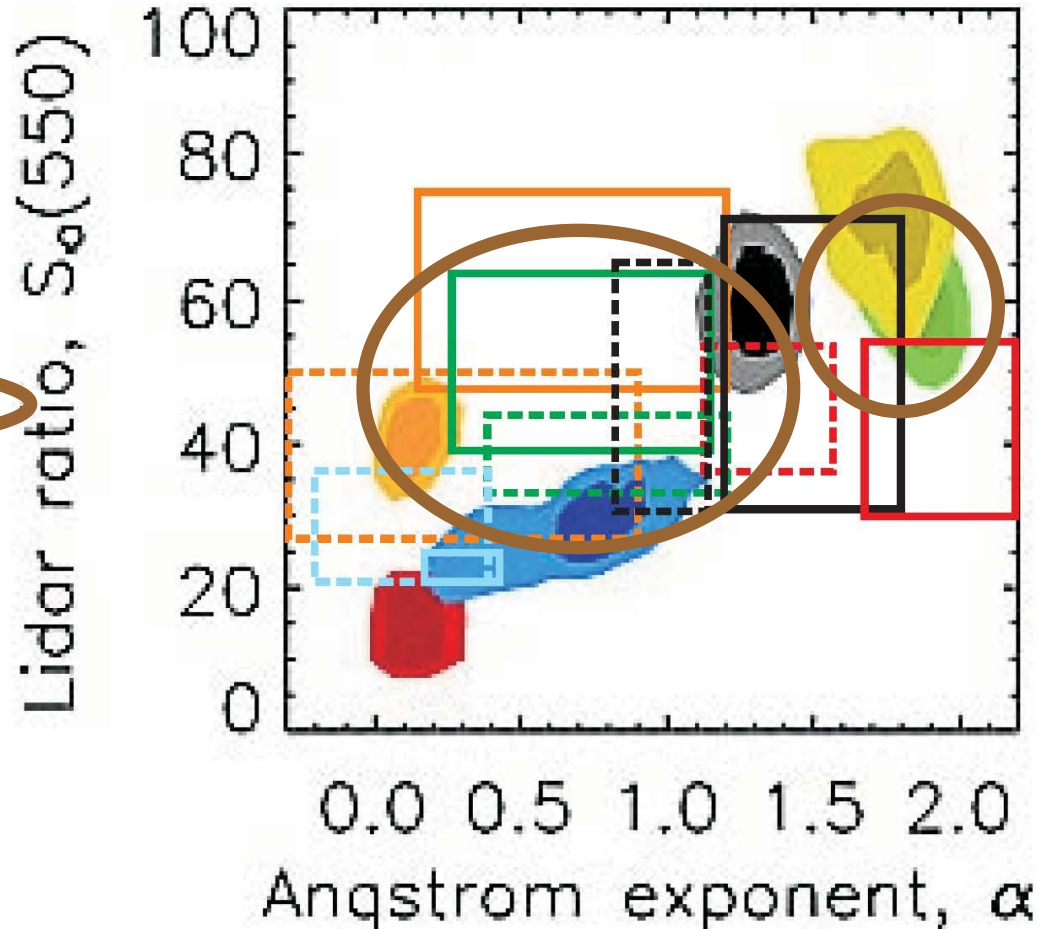
# AERONET aerosol typing: column values

Sun Photometer

- Biomass Burning
- Southeast Asia
- Dust (spheres)
- Urban/Industrial
- Oceanic
- Dust (spheriods)

Raman Lidar

- Forest-Fire Smoke (Leipzig)
- Urban/Industrial (N.America; Leipzig)
- Southeast Asia (INDOEX)
- Dust (Sahara)
- Oceanic (ACE 2)
- Forest-Fire Smoke (Spitsbergen)
- Urban/Industrial (Europe; ACE 2)
- South China (PRD)
- Dust (INDOEX)
- Oceanic (INDOEX)



# Airborne High Spectral Resolution Lidar Aerosol Measurements and Classification

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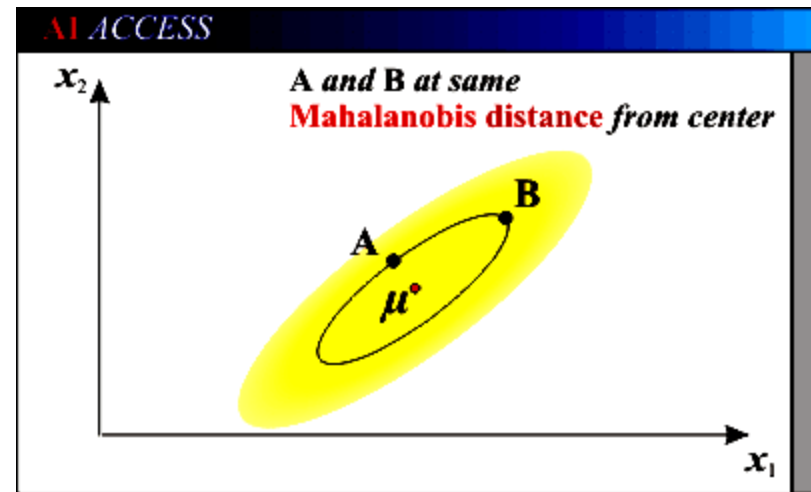
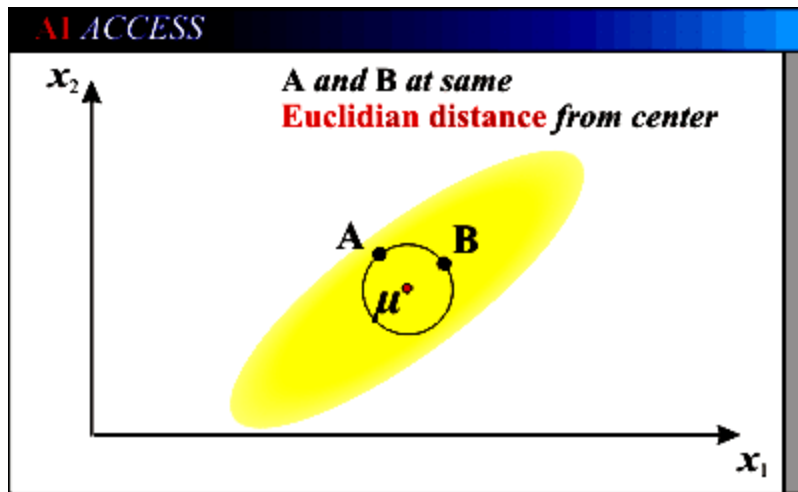
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# NASA Langley Airborne HSRL Aerosol Classification Method

- 4 intensive parameters that do not depend on aerosol amount
- Mahalanobis distance, instead of Euclidean distance, to sort points into classes
- Estimate 4-d normal distributions of classes from labeled data, and calculate Mahalanobis distance from each point to each class





# What information do we have?

## Intensive aerosol parameters:

- particle depolarization ratio (at 355/532...1064 nm)
- particle lidar ratio (at 355/532 nm)
- Ångström exponent or color ratio (backscatter and/or extinction)

} per layer

## Extensive aerosol parameters:

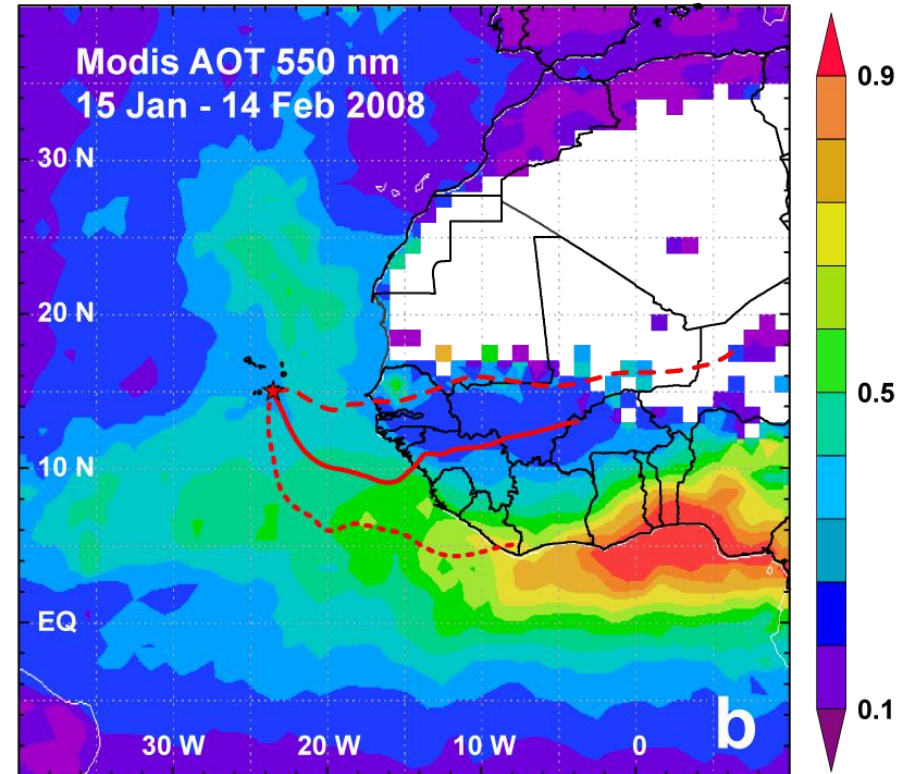
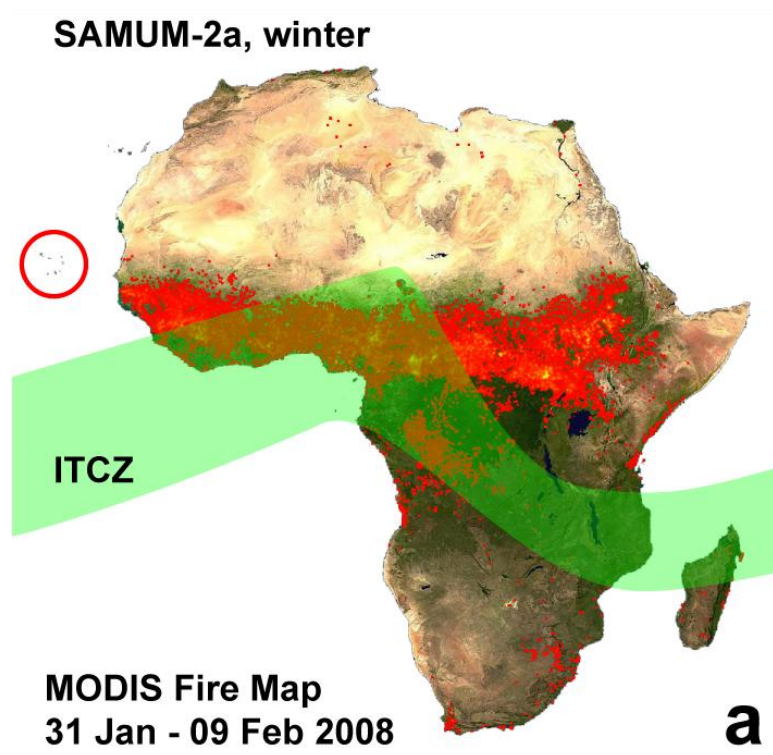
- extinction and backscatter coefficients (thresholds)

## Auxiliary information:

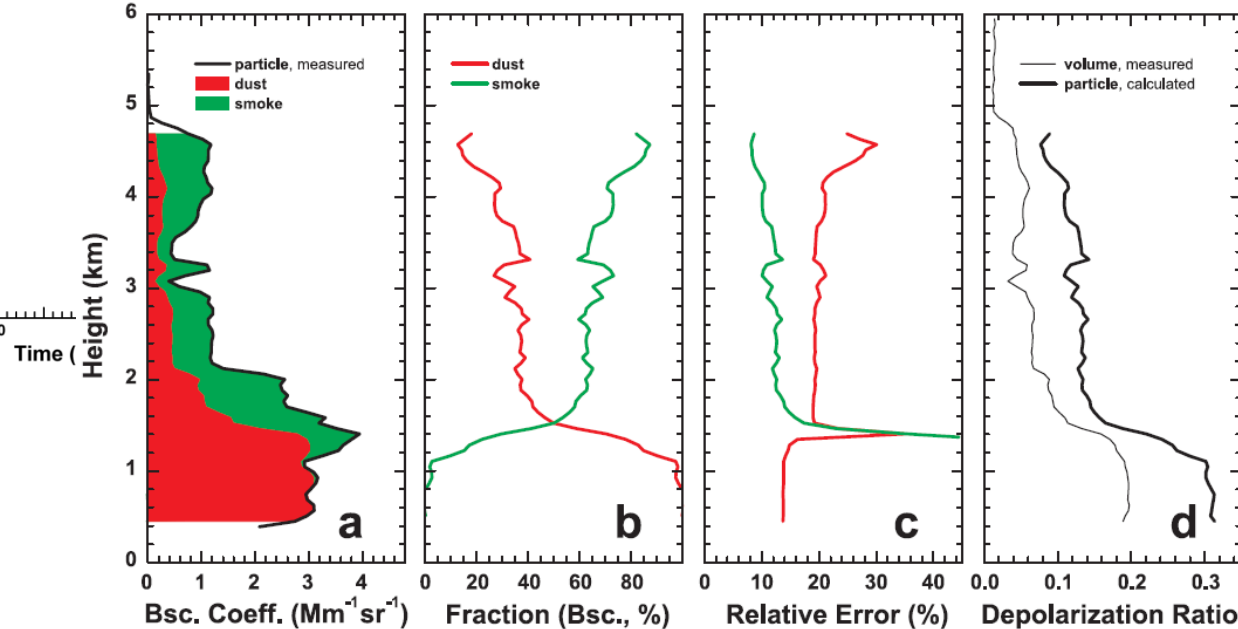
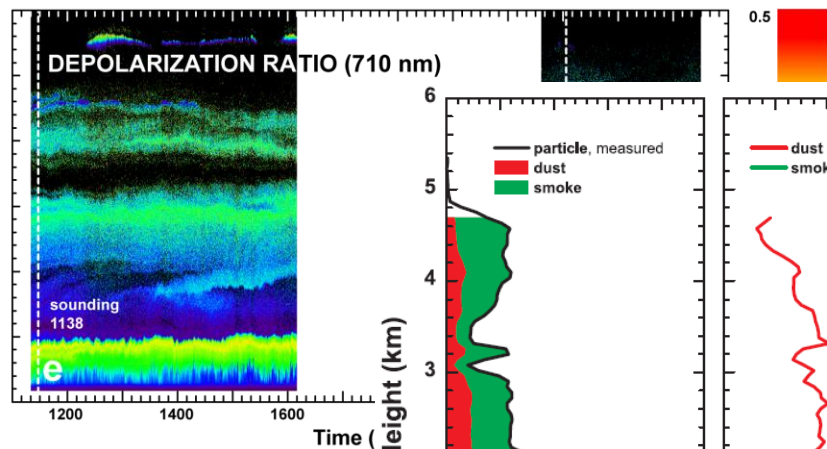
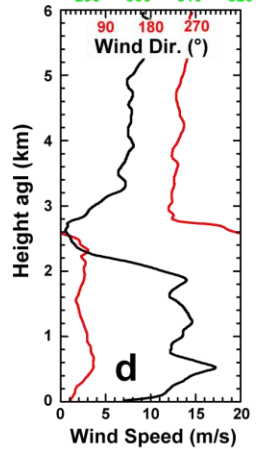
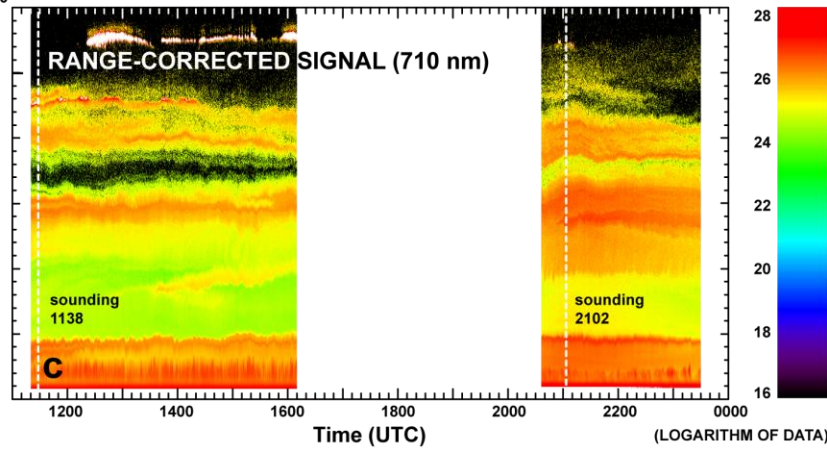
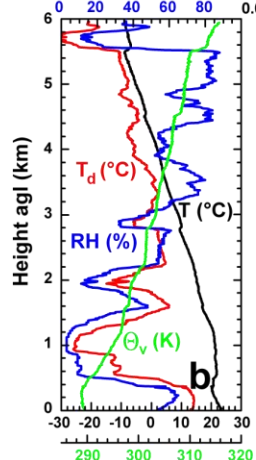
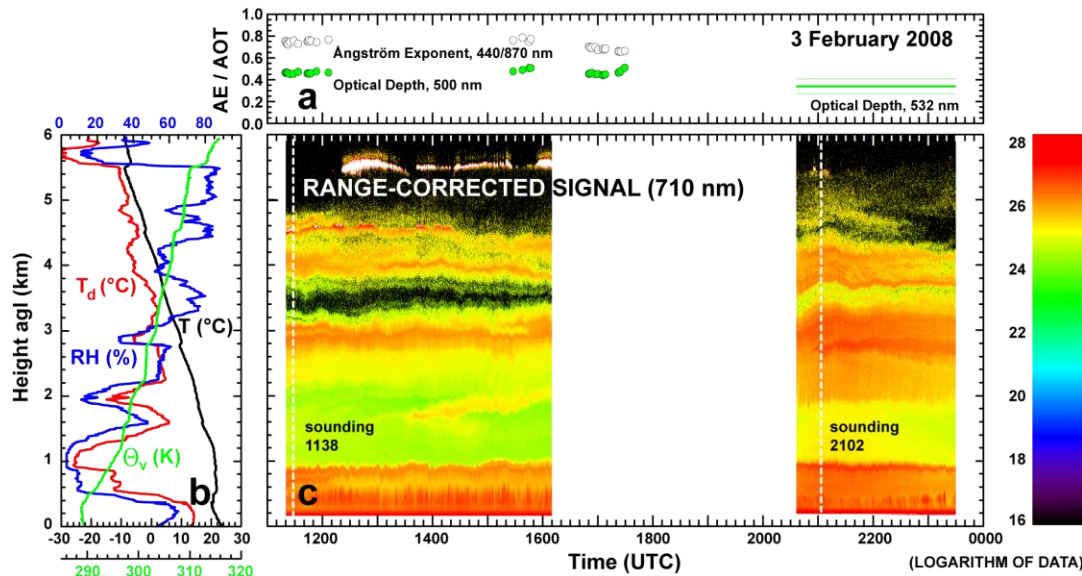
- height range (e.g., PBL, stratosphere)
- temperature
- geographical location/surface (arctic, ocean, desert)
- source information + transport modeling

# Mixing of aerosol types

## SAMUM-2 Winter Campaign (January-February 208)

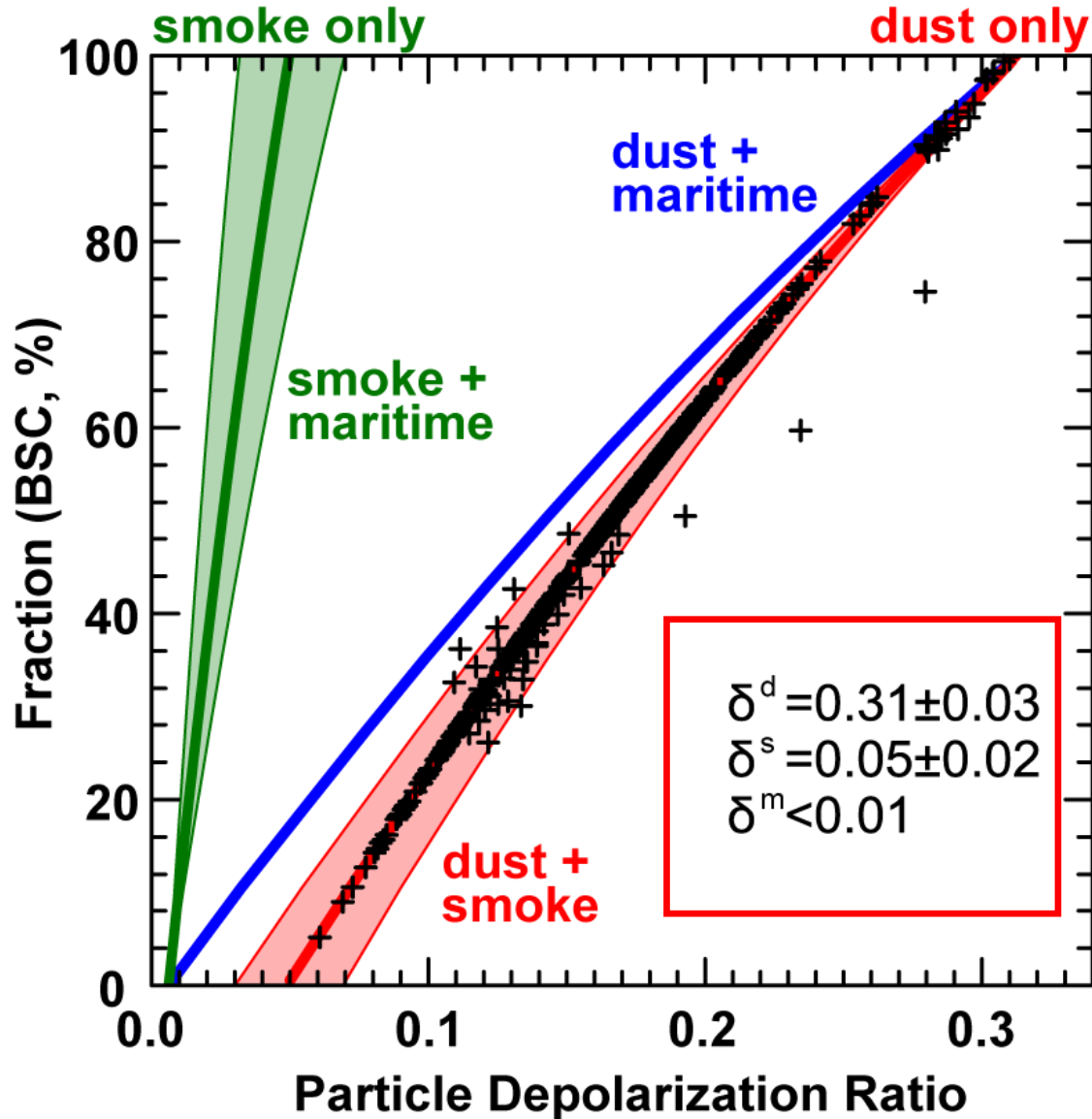


# Layering: marine + dust + smoke (SAMUM-2)

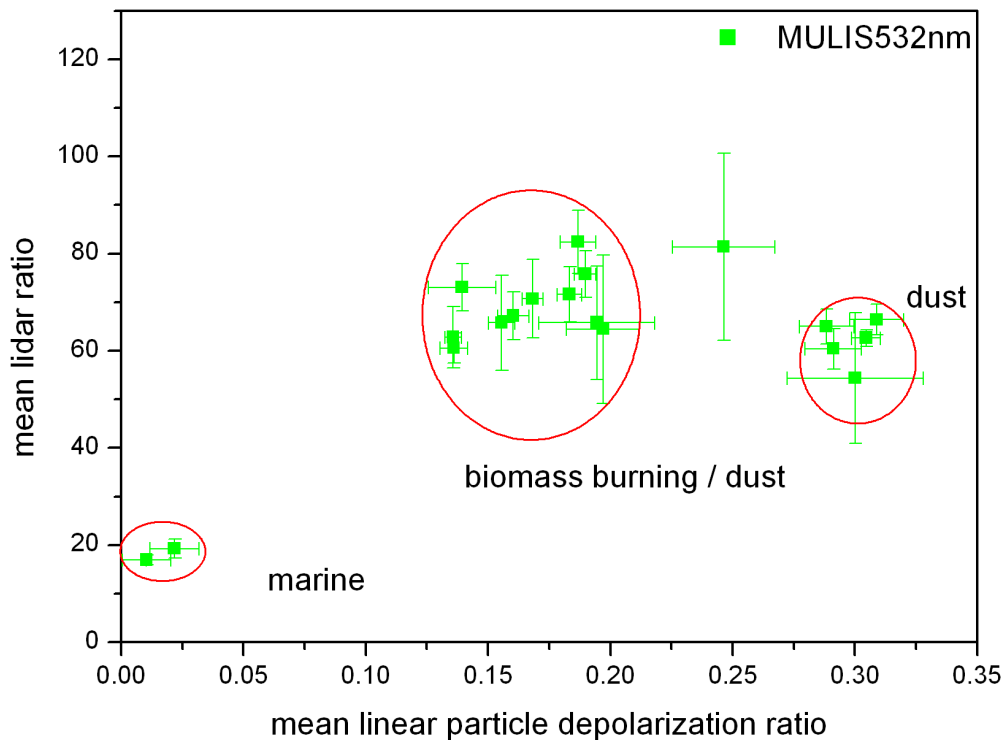
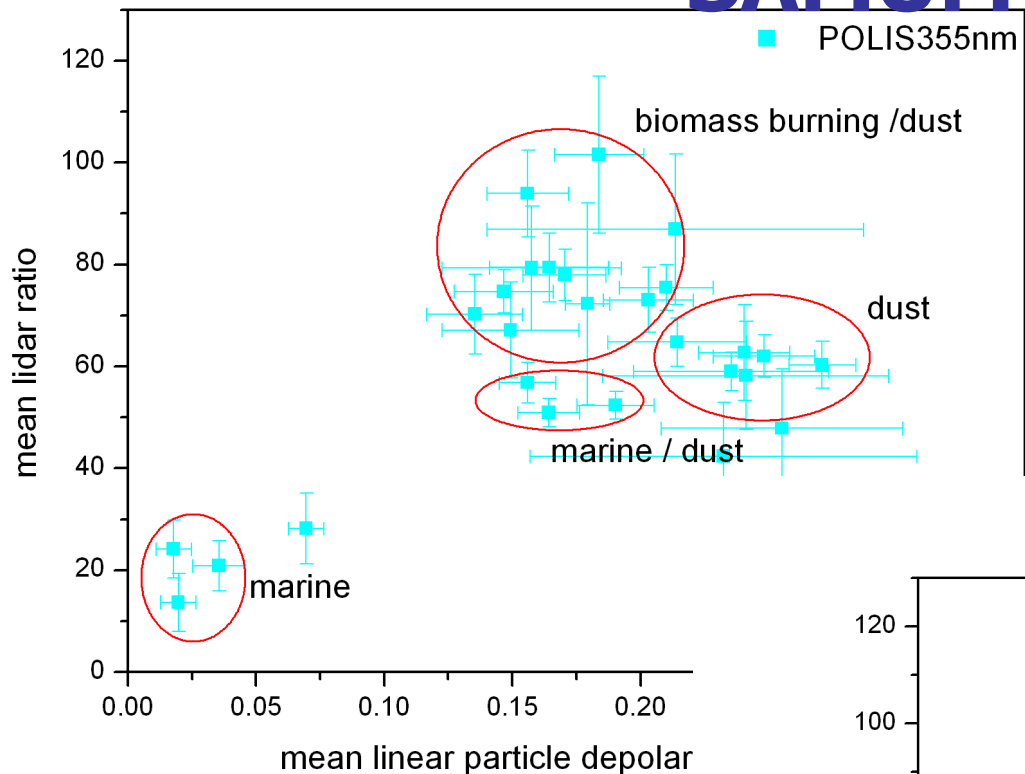


Tesche et al.,  
Vertically resolved separation of dust and smoke over Cape Verde using multiwavelength Raman and polarization lidars during Saharan

# General scheme for aerosol-type separation based on measurements of the particle depolarization ratio

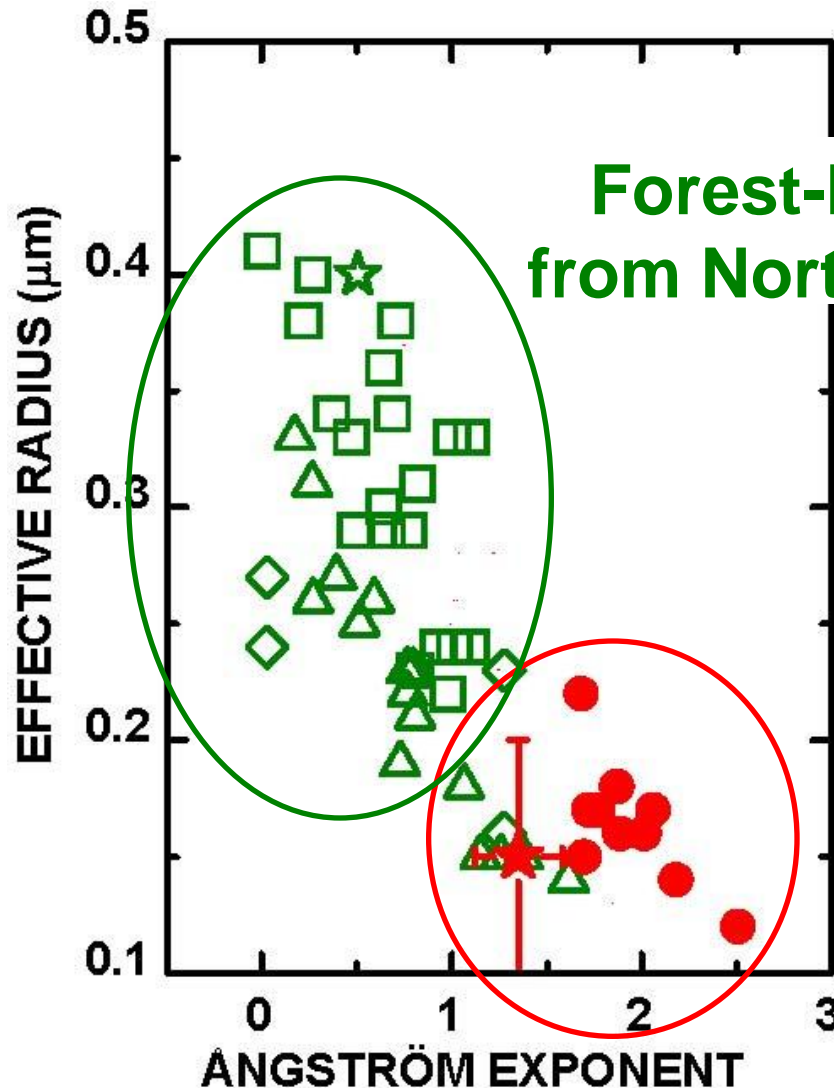


# SAMUM 2



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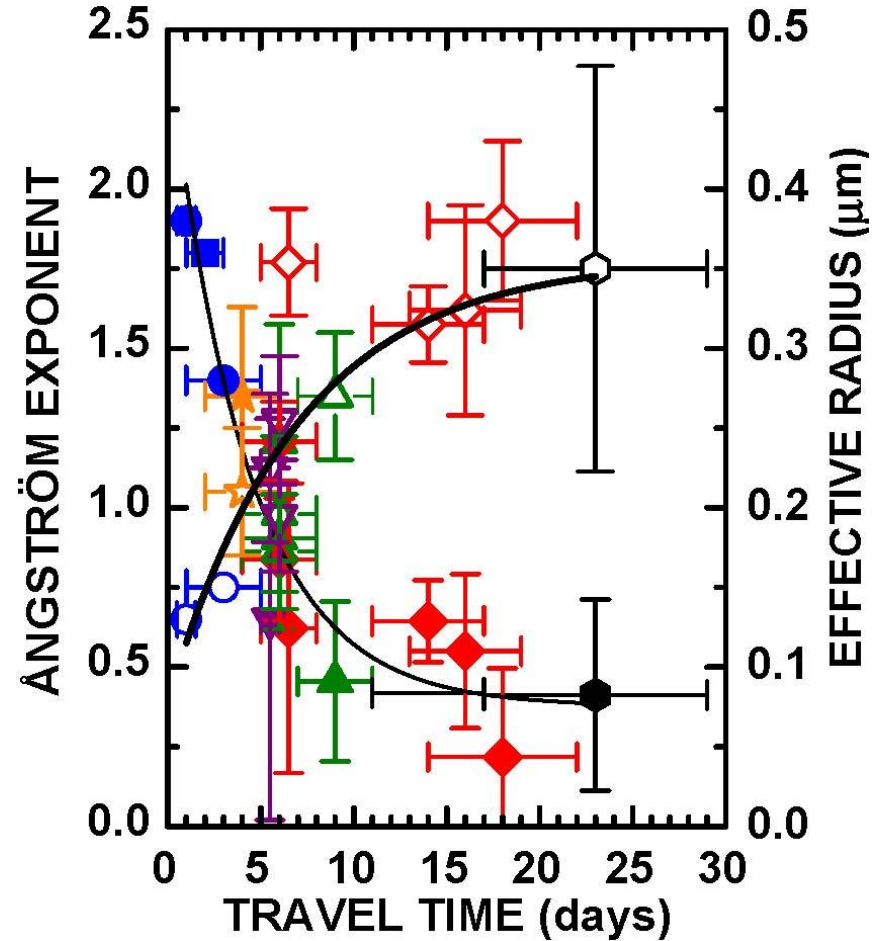
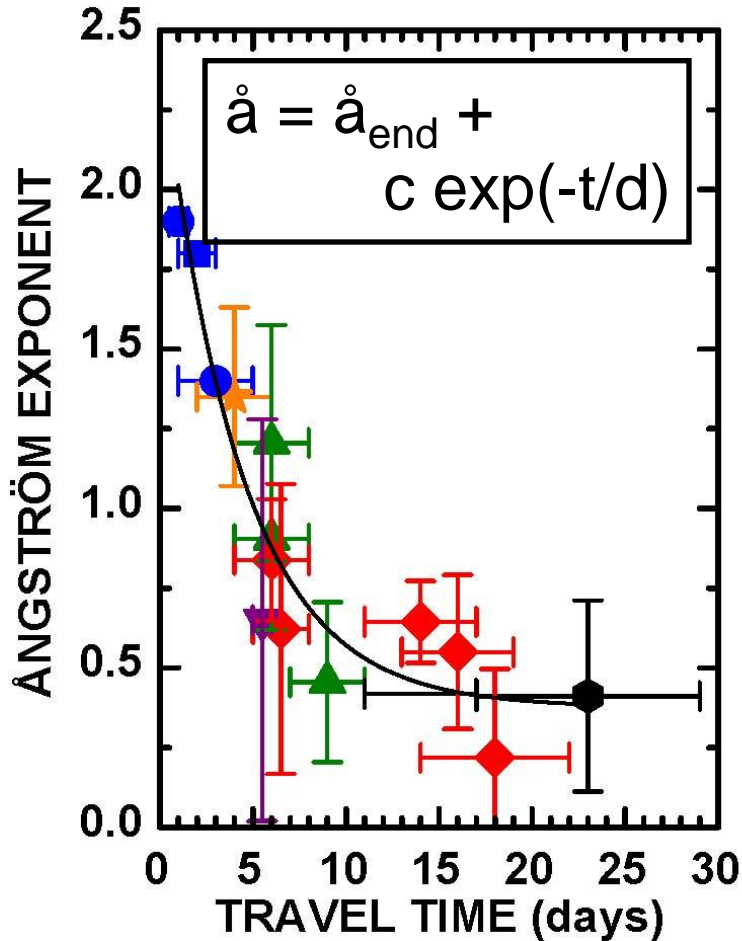
# Change of aerosol type properties with transport



**Forest-Fire Smoke Particles  
from North America and Siberia**

**Anthropogenic  
Pollution from  
North America and  
Europe (ACE2)**

# Forest-Fire Smoke – Northern Latitudes Long-Range Transport



Correlation Coefficient = 0.89

# **Approach for the exploitation of observational data**

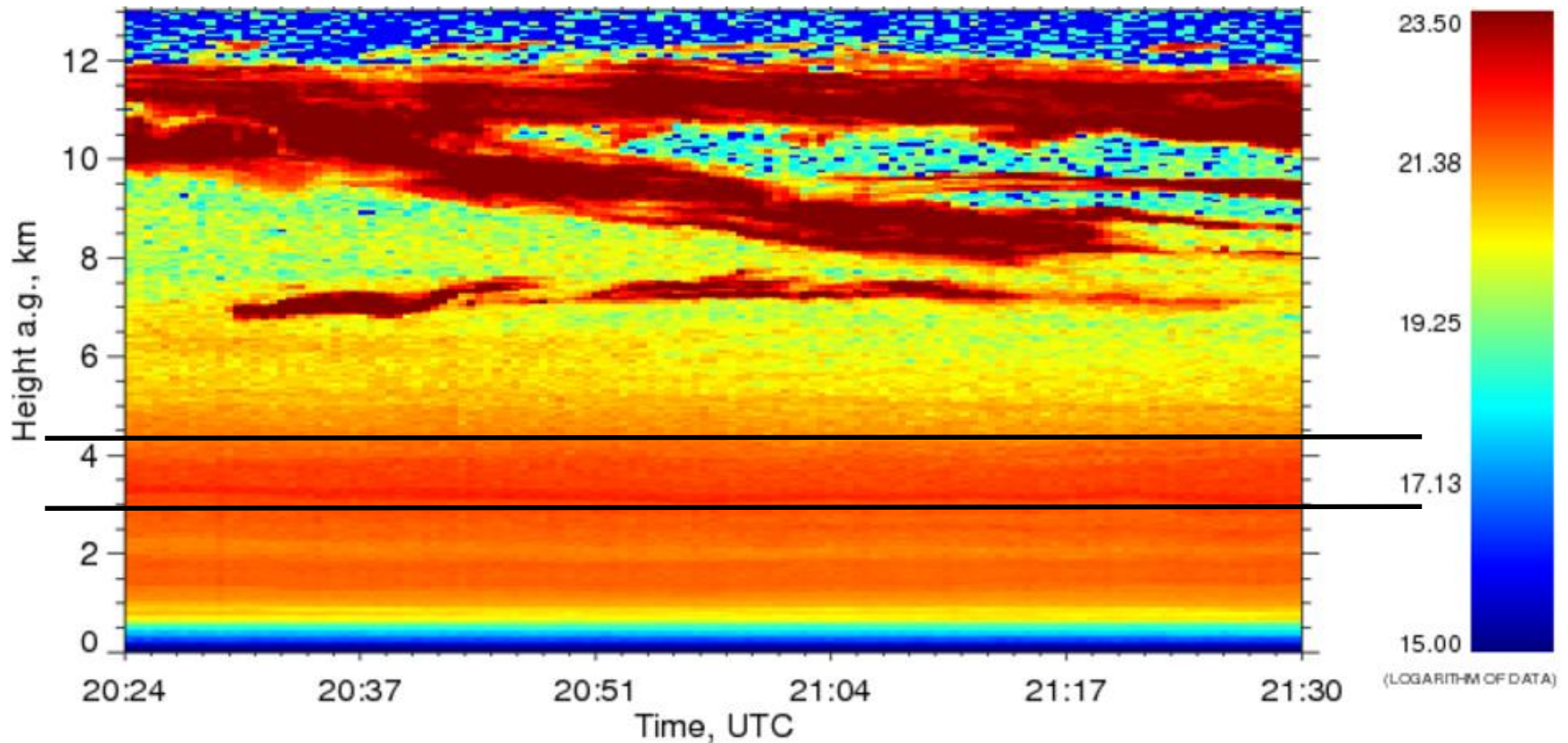
## **Aerosol layer products**

- 1) Feature finding**
- 2) Feature classification**



# Example: Aerosol layer products

1) *Feature finding* coherent structures in time series plots (= quicklooks)

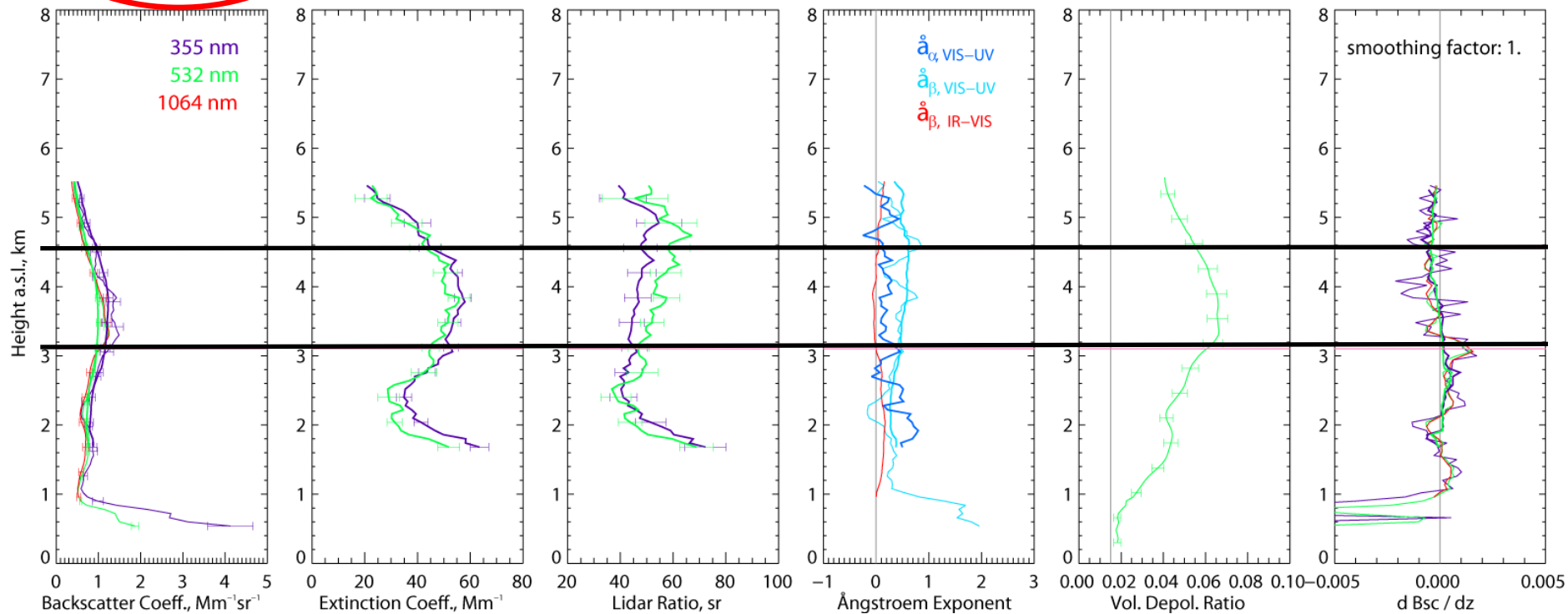


1064 nm range corrected signal, Leipzig, 27 May 2008, 20:24 – 21:30 UT

# Optical properties Leipzig, 27 May 2008, 20:24 – 21:30 UT

backscatter  
significantly  
larger than 0

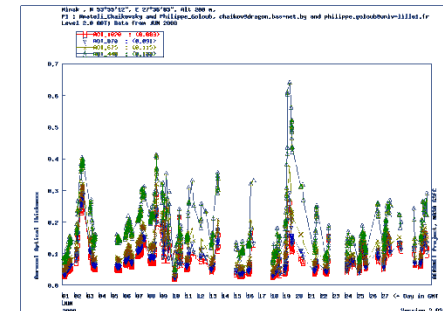
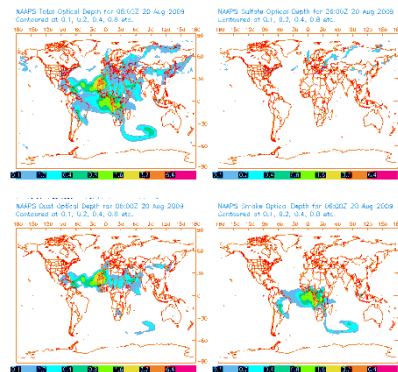
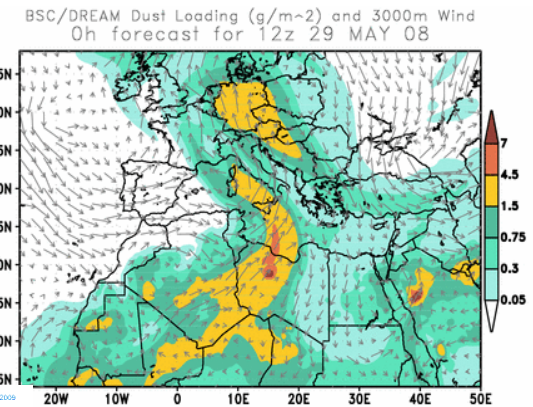
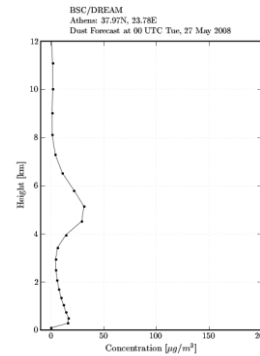
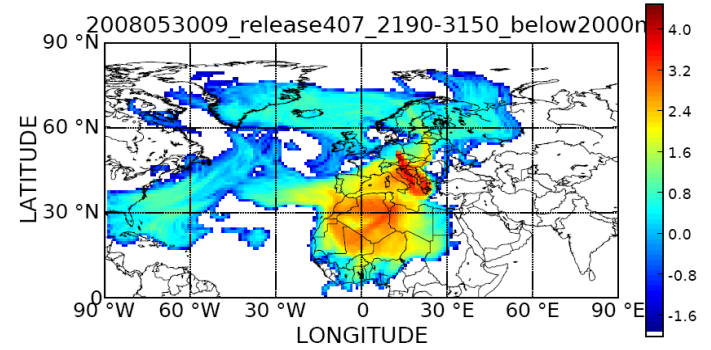
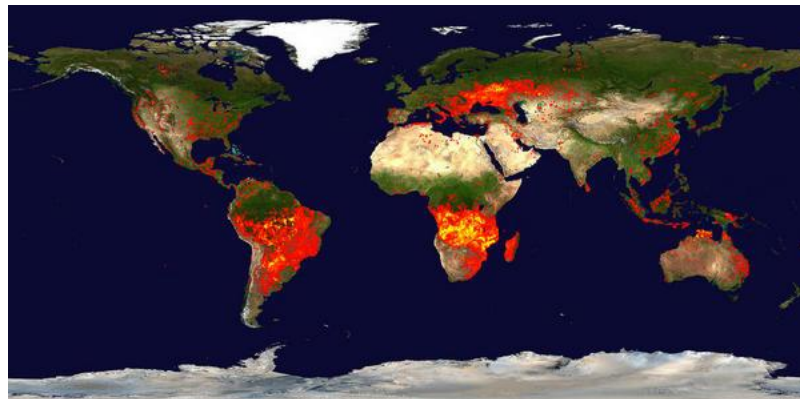
derivative  
method:  
 $d \text{ Bsc} / dz$



→ feature boundaries

# Identification of source, type and age of aerosol

- different trajectory and transport models (FLEXPART, DREAM, HYSPLIT,...)
- MODIS fire maps
- NAAPS (Navy Aerosol Analysis and Prediction System)
- AERONET data
- ...



# Classification of aerosol with respect to source region: FLEXPART transport simulations

## Input

**GFS wind fields**  
for 00, 06, 12  
and 18 UTC

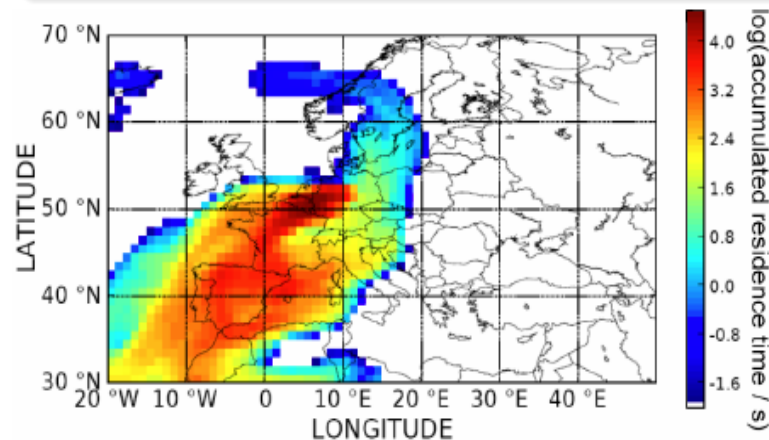
## FLEXPART

- ▶ Lagrangian particle dispersion model
- ▶ 10 days backward in time

## Output

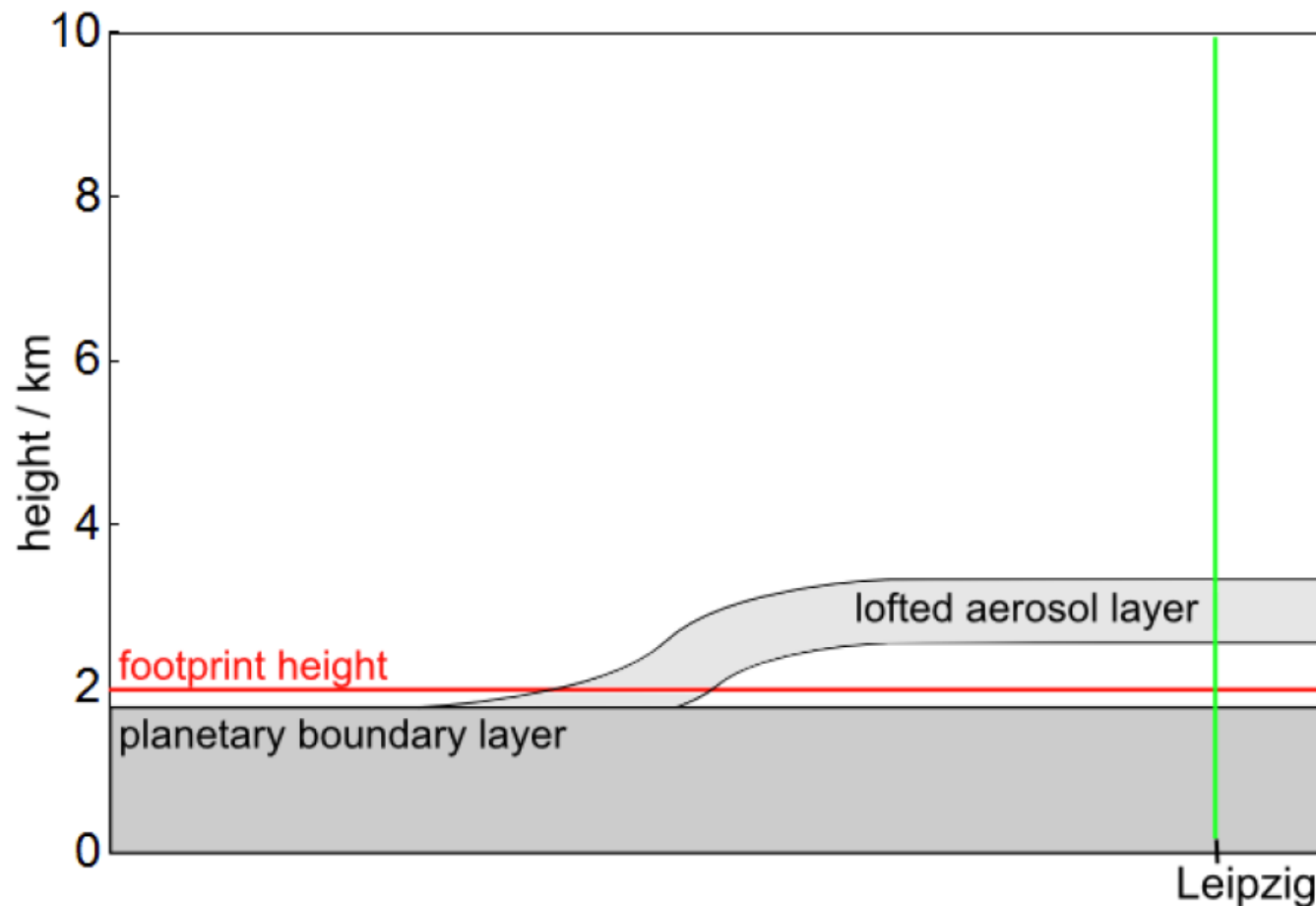
**residence time**  
of the particles  
accumulated  
over the  
simulation time  
period plotted as

- ▶ time series
- ▶ 'footprints'



# Classification of aerosol with respect to source region: FLEXPART transport simulations

## Footprints



# Example: biomass-burning aerosol (smoke)

## Identification of Fire Source Region

more on smoke by D. Balis/A. Chaikovsky

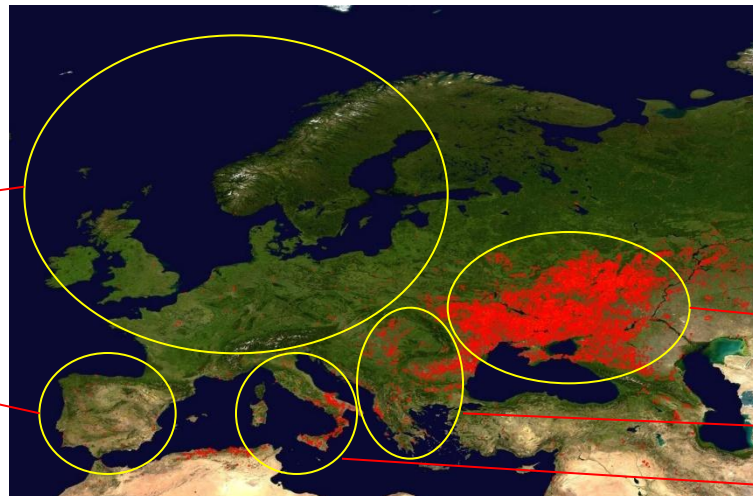
**Extra-European:**

- Siberia
- North America



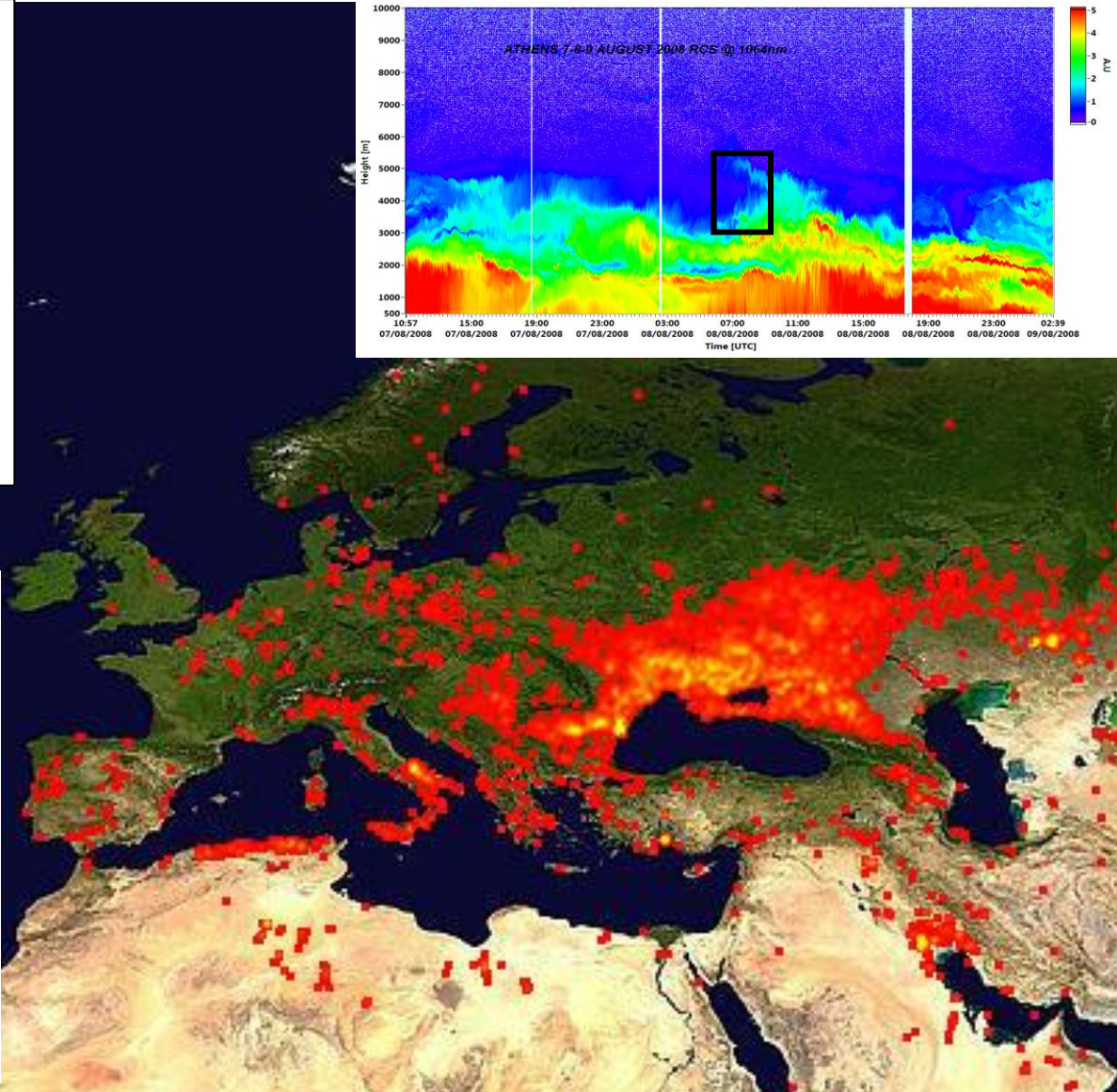
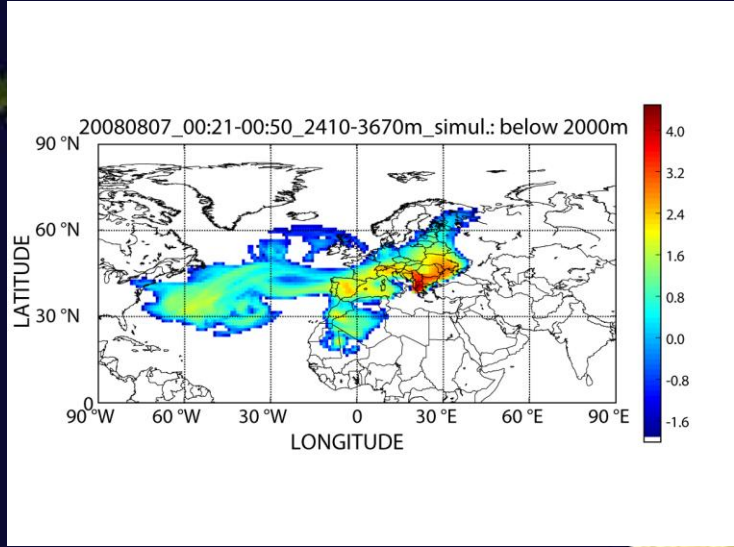
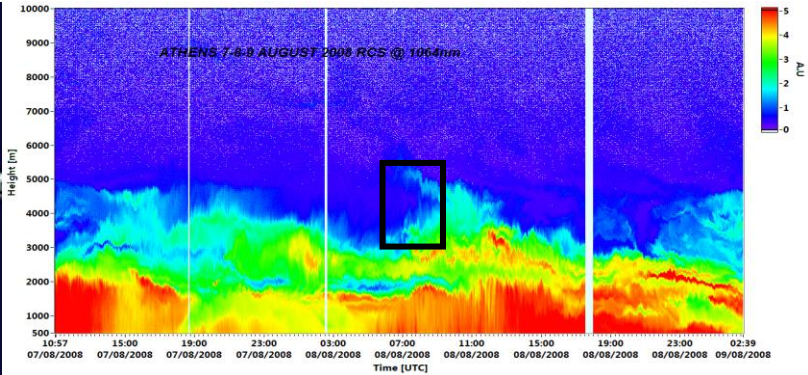
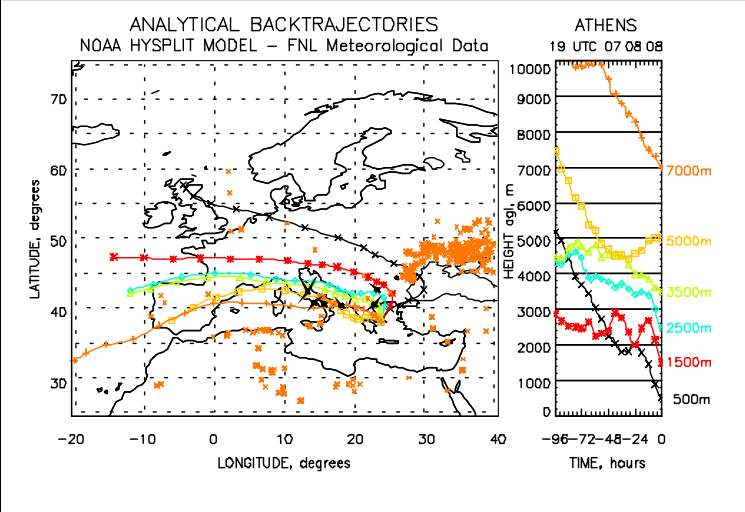
**European:**

- central and northern Europe
- southwestern Europe



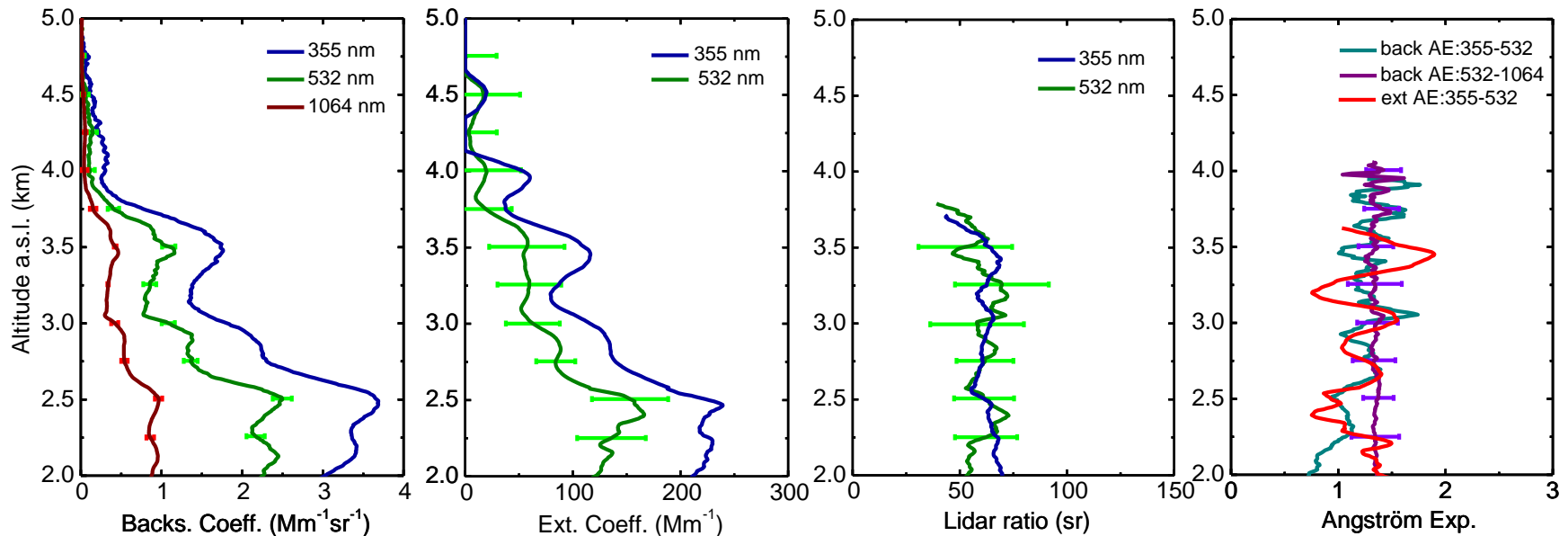
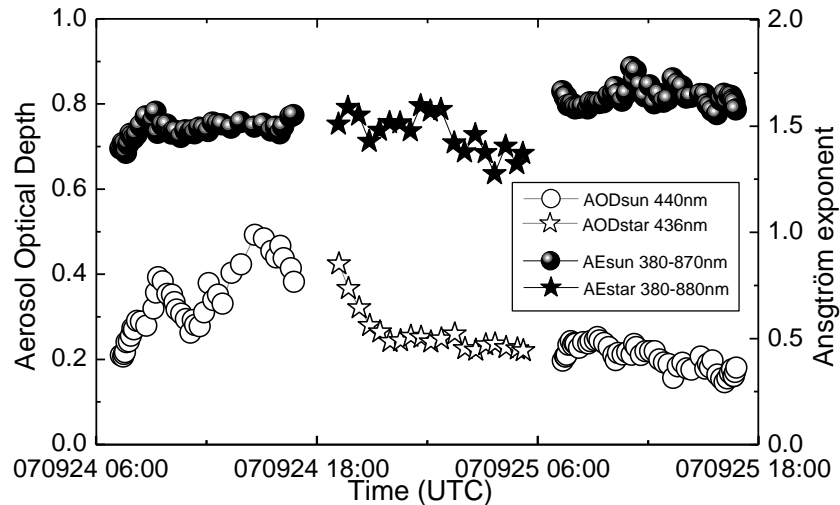
- Ukraine and surrounding areas
- southeastern Europe
- southern Europe

# MODIS Fire Map 29 Jul - 7 August 2008 and HYSPLIT backward trajectories and FLEXPART



# Fresh Biomass-Burning Smoke: Granada

**More on Biomass  
Burning: D. Balis**

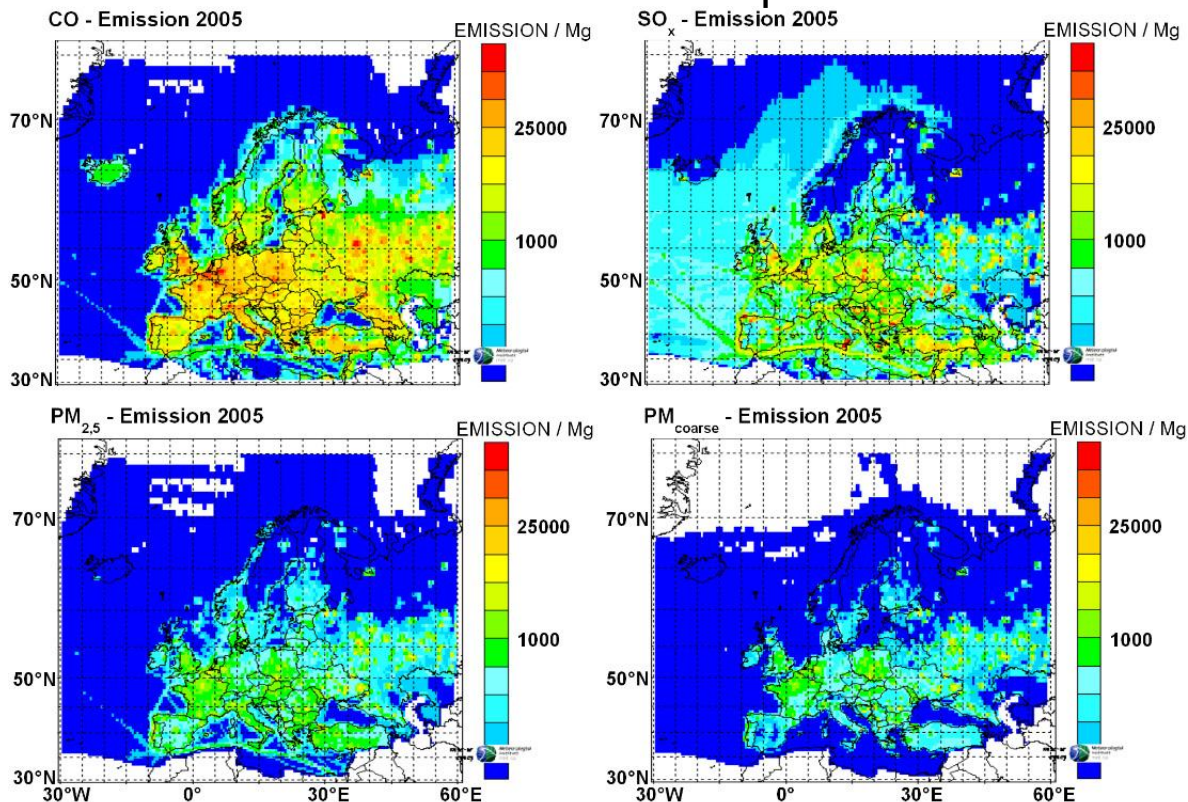




# Example: Definition of Source Region of Polluted Continental Aerosol

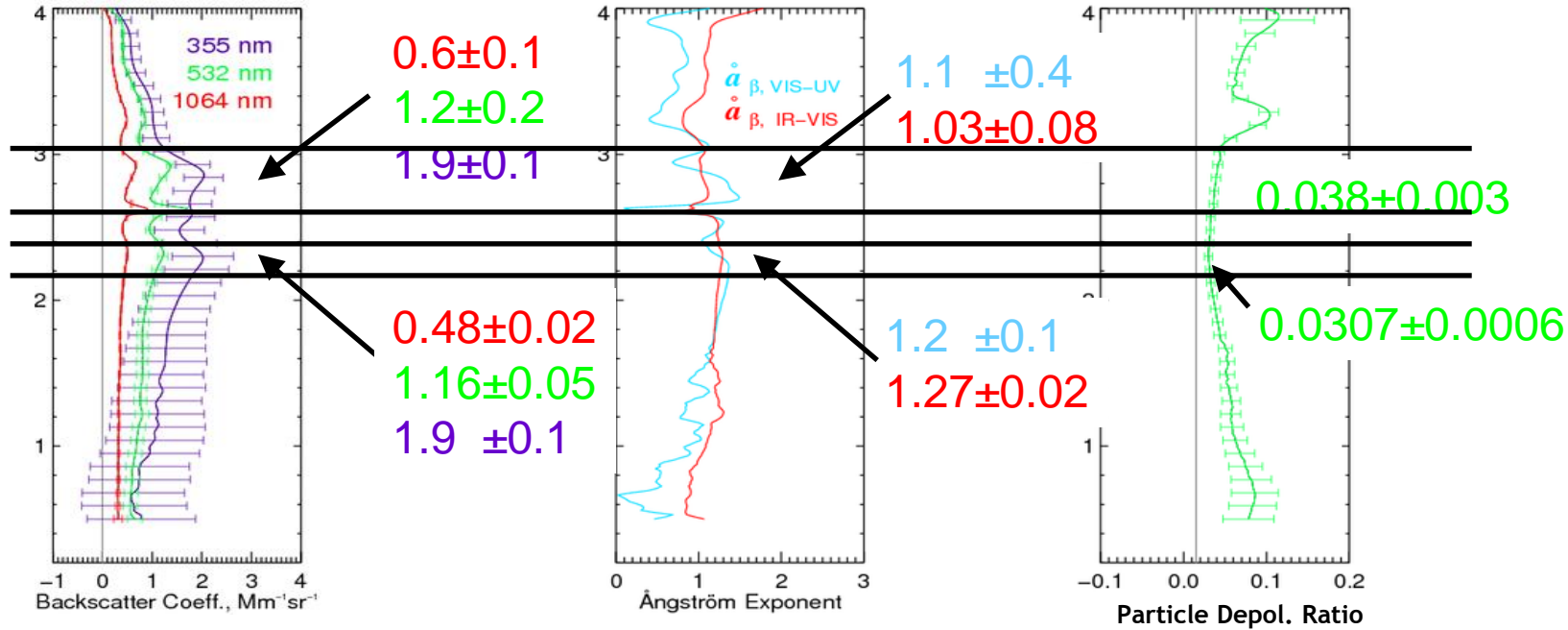
## EMEP emission inventory

Co-operative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe

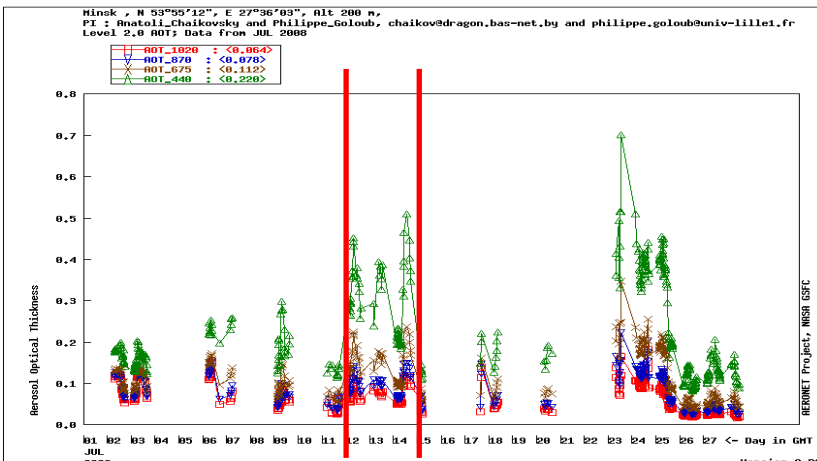


# Optical properties, Minsk, 14 July 2008, 00:25 – 01:00 UT

DATE: 20080714 TIME: 002546 – 010011 UT Case A Day Of CALIPSO Cycle: 9  
 STATION: Minsk, Belarus

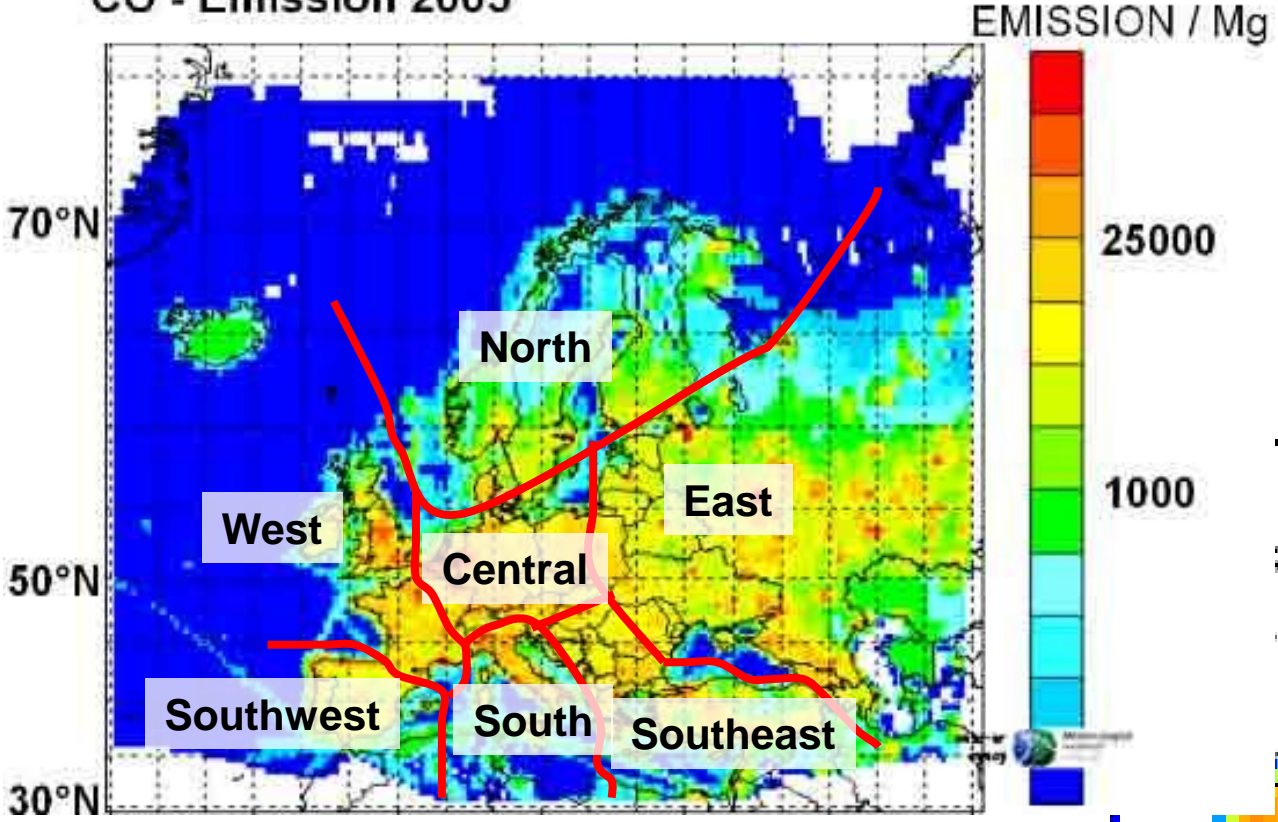


## AERONET Aerosol Optical Depth, Minsk, July 2008

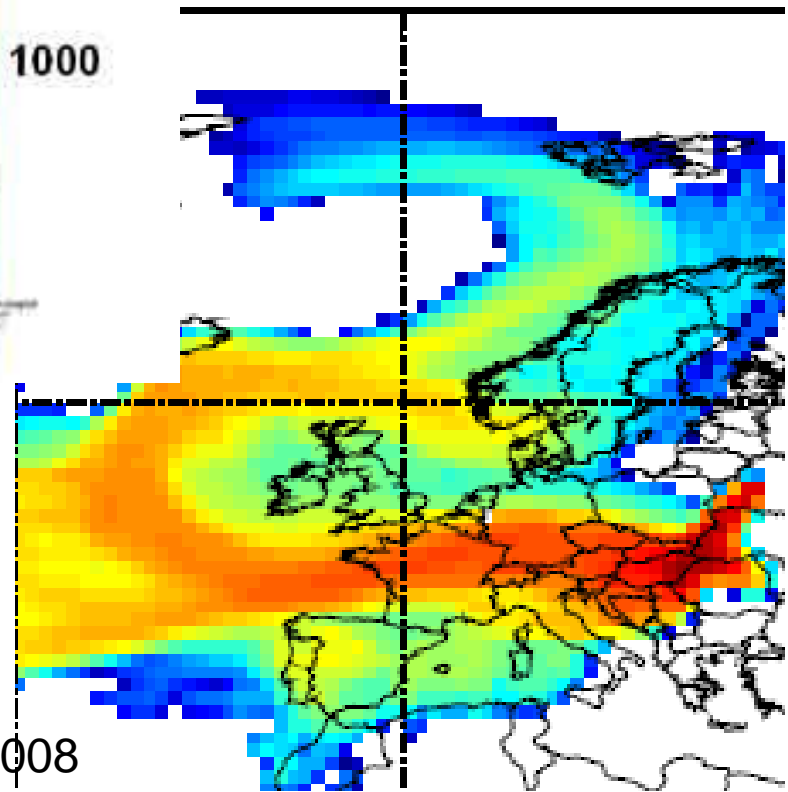


# Definition of European source regions for polluted continental aerosol

CO - Emission 2005



Polluted continental aerosol from Eastern Europe



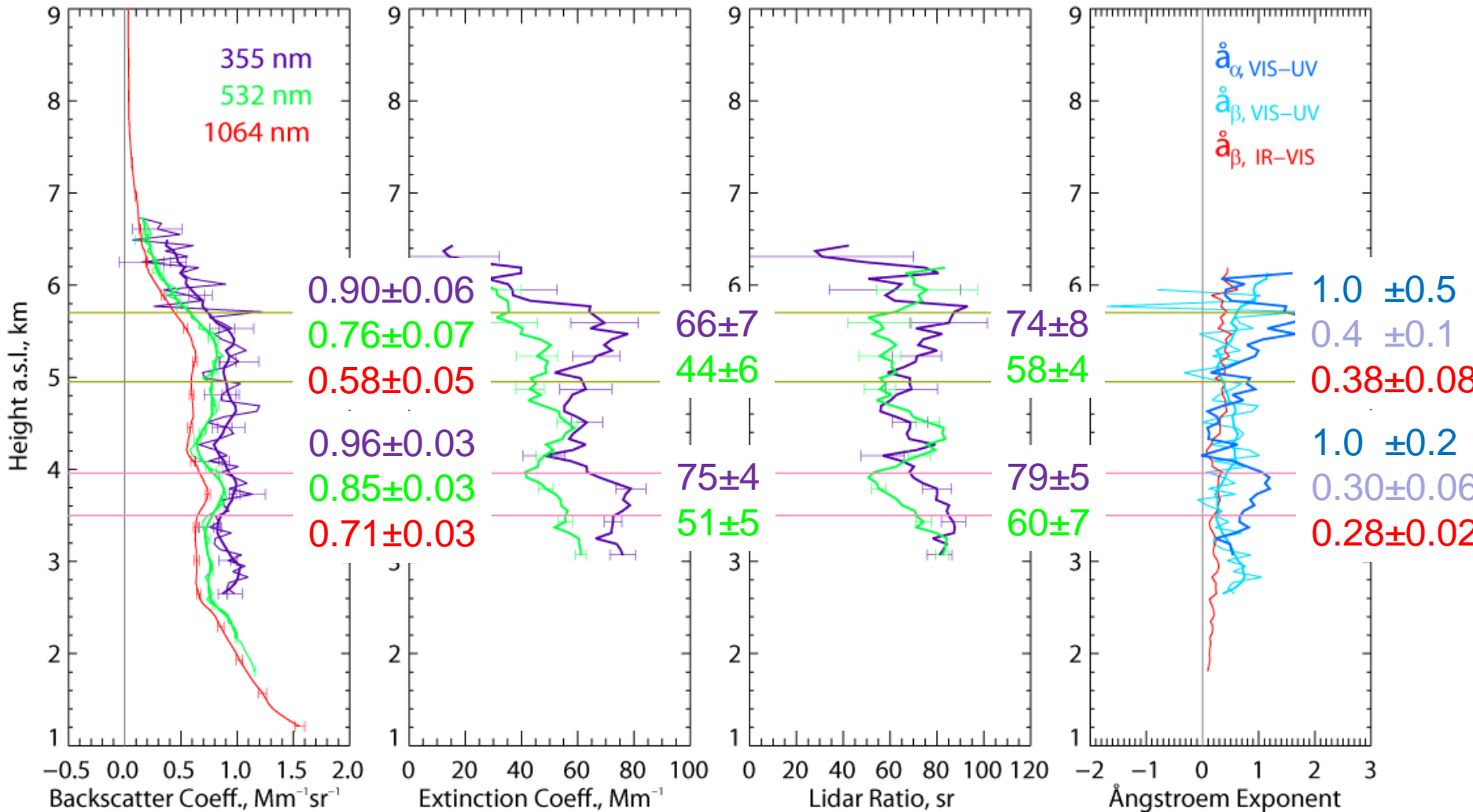
feature: 2.2 – 2.42 km

FLEXPART footprint (2000 m) Minsk, 14 July 2008

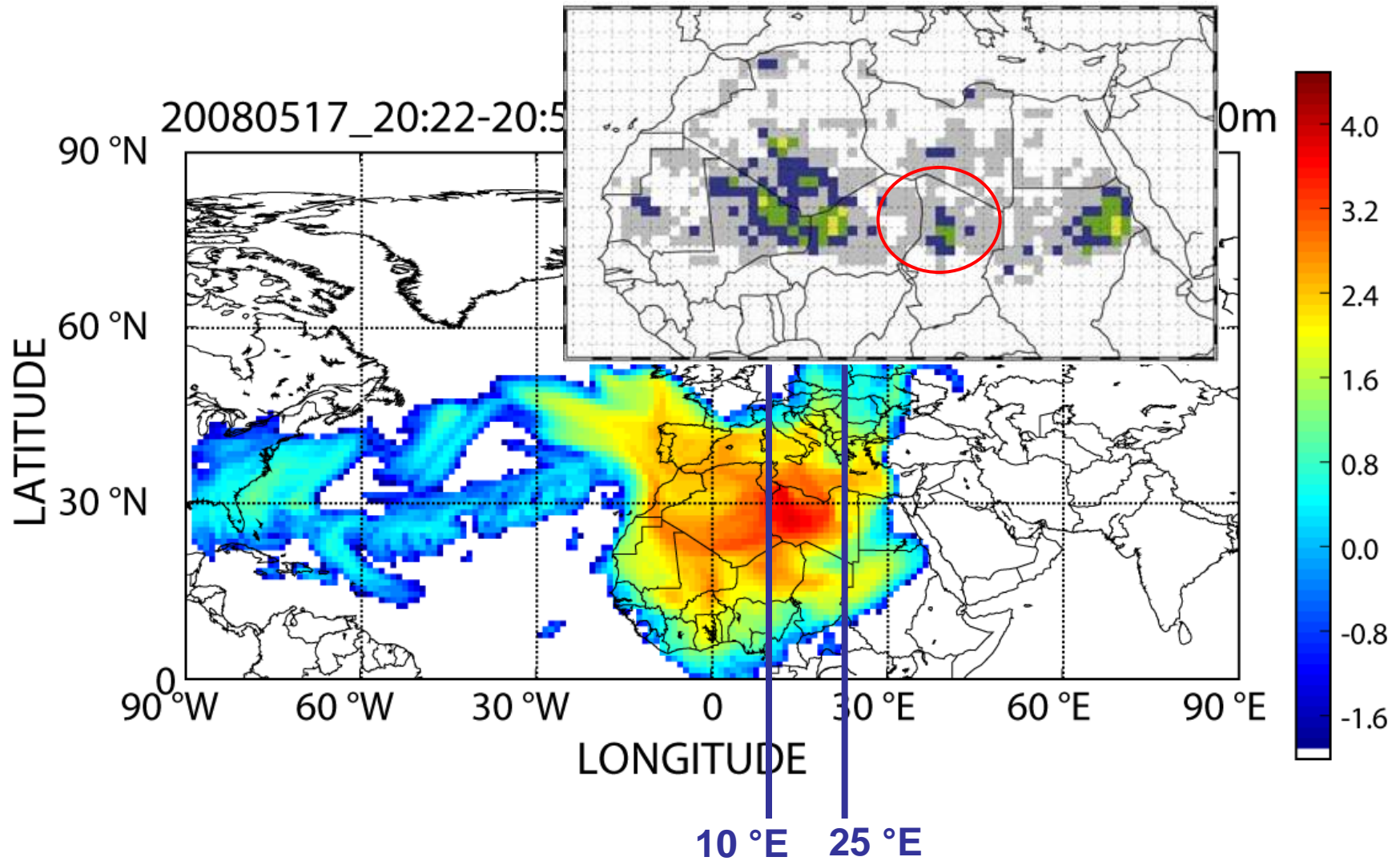
# Example: Mineral dust aerosol

more on mineral dust by A. Papayannis

Optical properties, Potenza, 17 May 2008, 20:22 – 20:52 UT

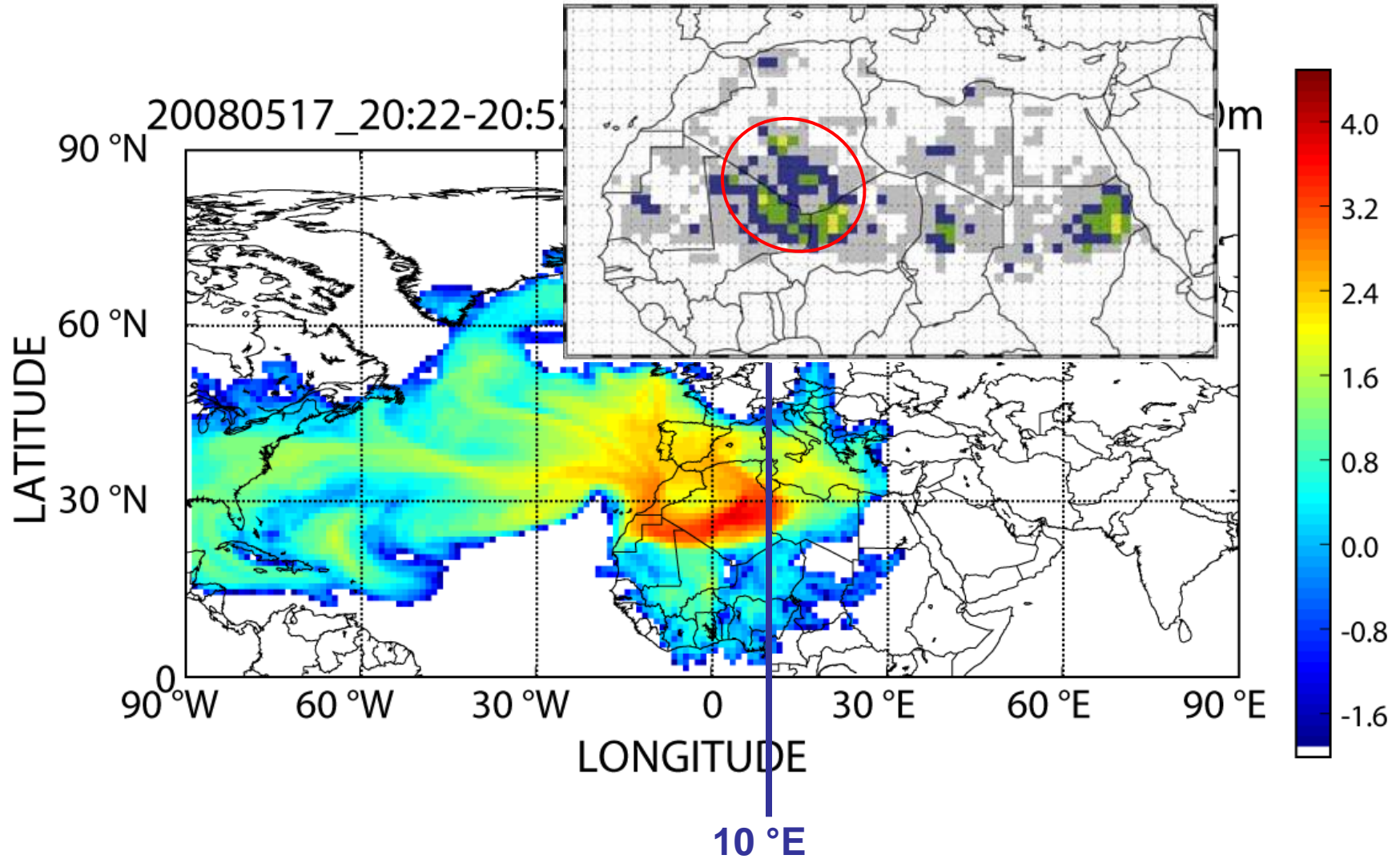


# Classification of aerosol with respect to source region



**FLEXPART footprint (2000 m) Potenza, 17 May 2008**

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**FLEXPART footprint (2000 m) Potenza, 17 May 2008**

# Optical Properties of Different Dust Mixtures

Dust mixed with marine aerosol  
(sea-salt particles):

large and non-absorbing  
particles

Dust mixed with smoke or  
anthropogenic pollution:

relatively small particles which  
show a considerable  
absorption

results: quite different optical properties compared to pure dust

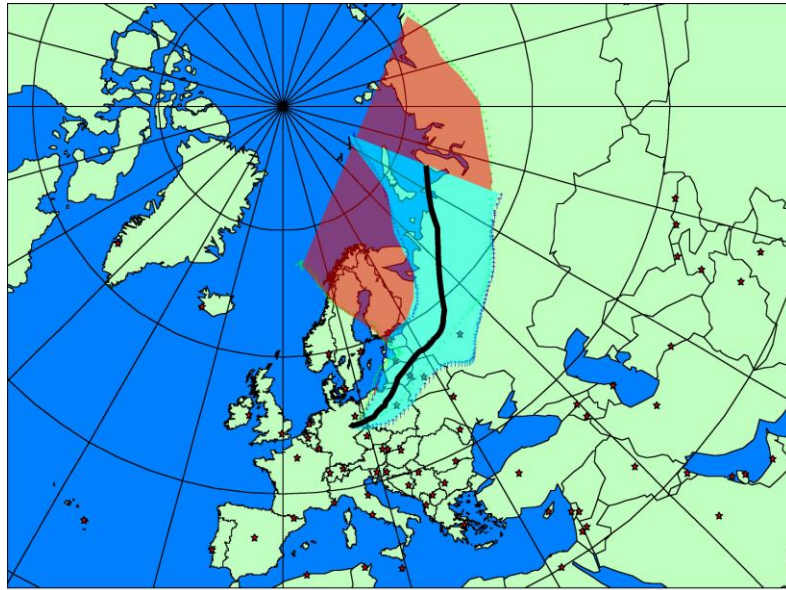
→ lower lidar ratio

→ higher lidar ratio

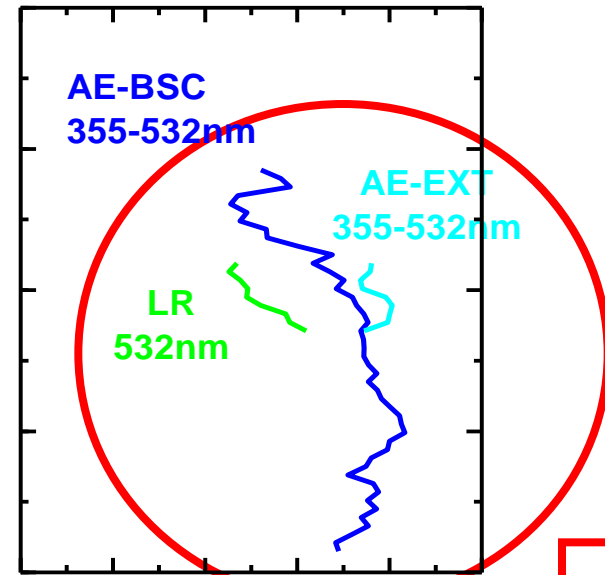
→ therefore, we introduce term **MIXED DUST**, when considering influence of marine aerosol, **in order to indicate the difference to the CALIPSO definition of polluted dust!**

**More on CALIPSO related issues by U. Wandinger**

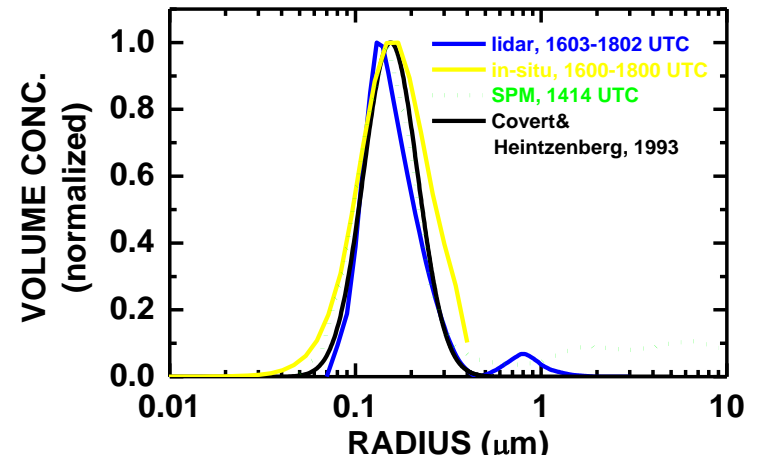
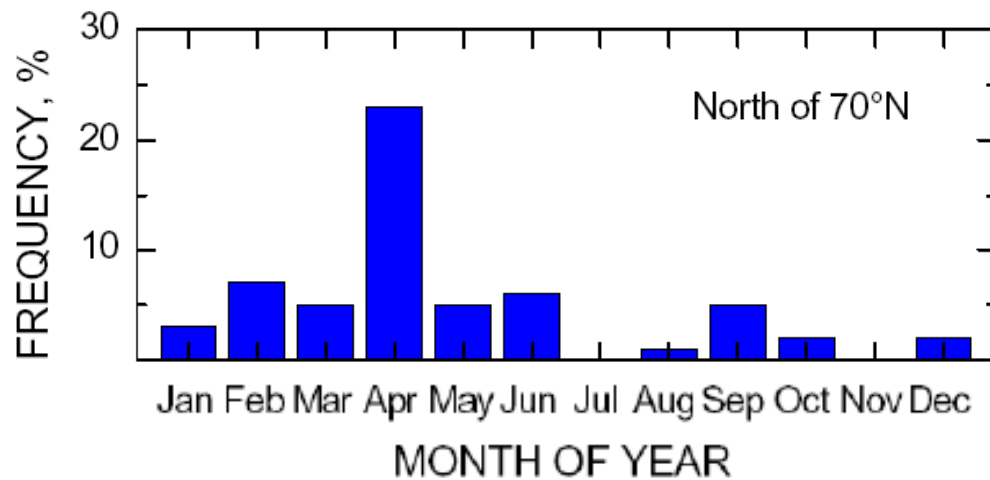
# ARCTIC HAZE: Season as an indicator



LIDAR RATIO (sr)  
0 20 40 60 80 100



$\text{\AA} \approx 2$

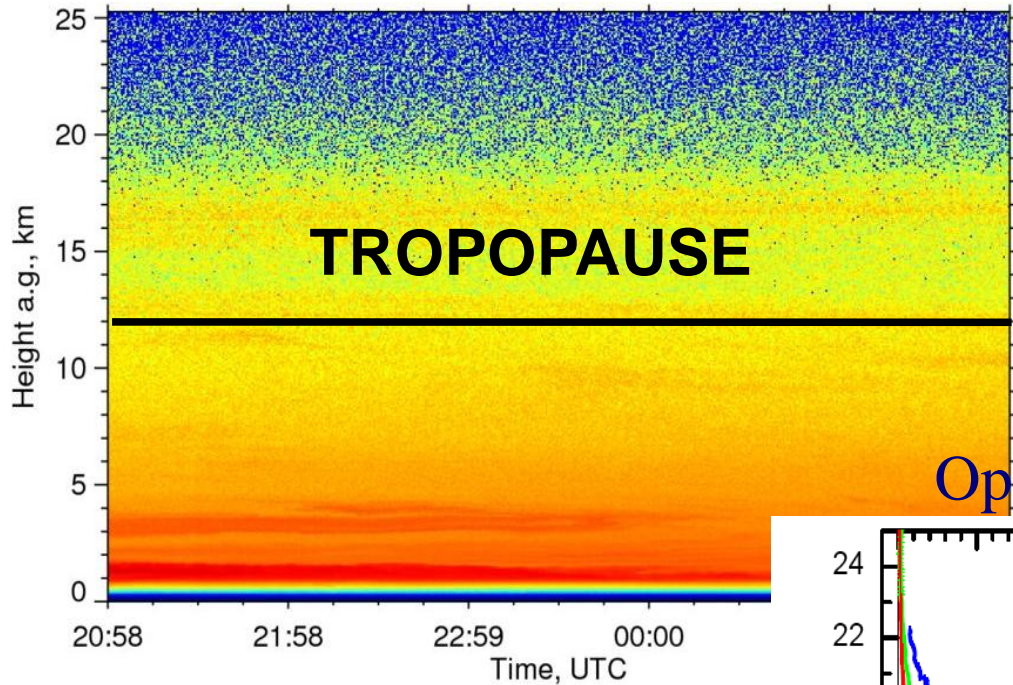




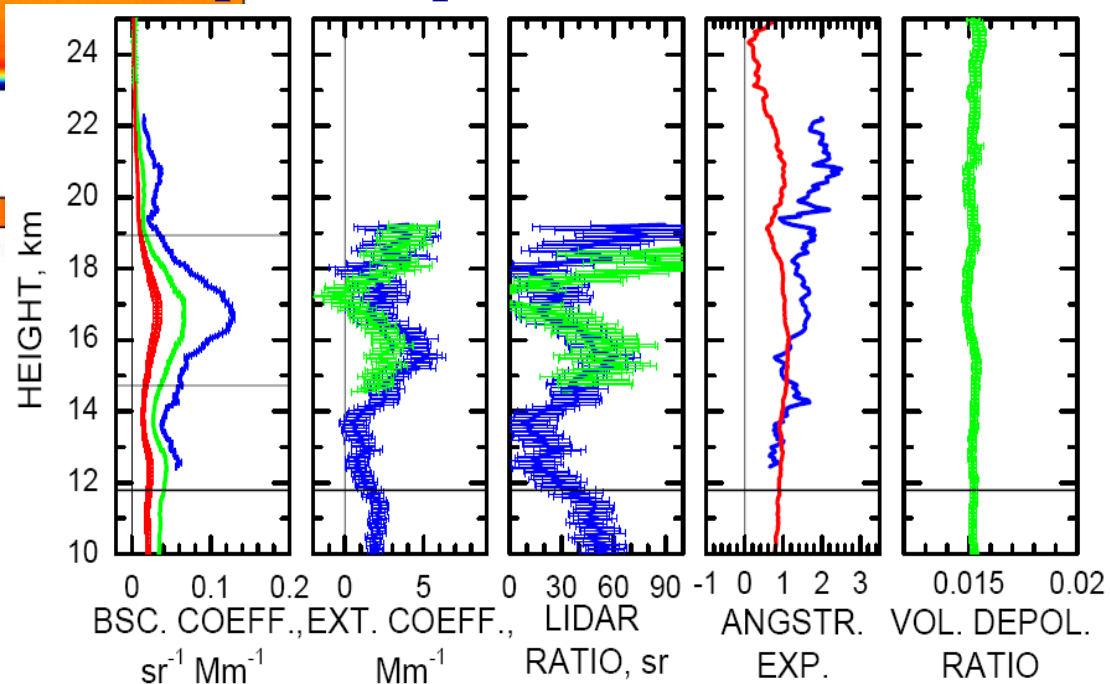
# Volcanic Aerosols from Volcanic Eruptions

## Height as Information Source

More on Volcanic  
Aerosols: I. Mattis



Optical depth at 532 nm: 0.015



# VRAME:

## Vertically Resolved Aerosol Model for Europe from a Synergy of EARLINET and AERONET data

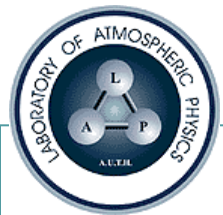
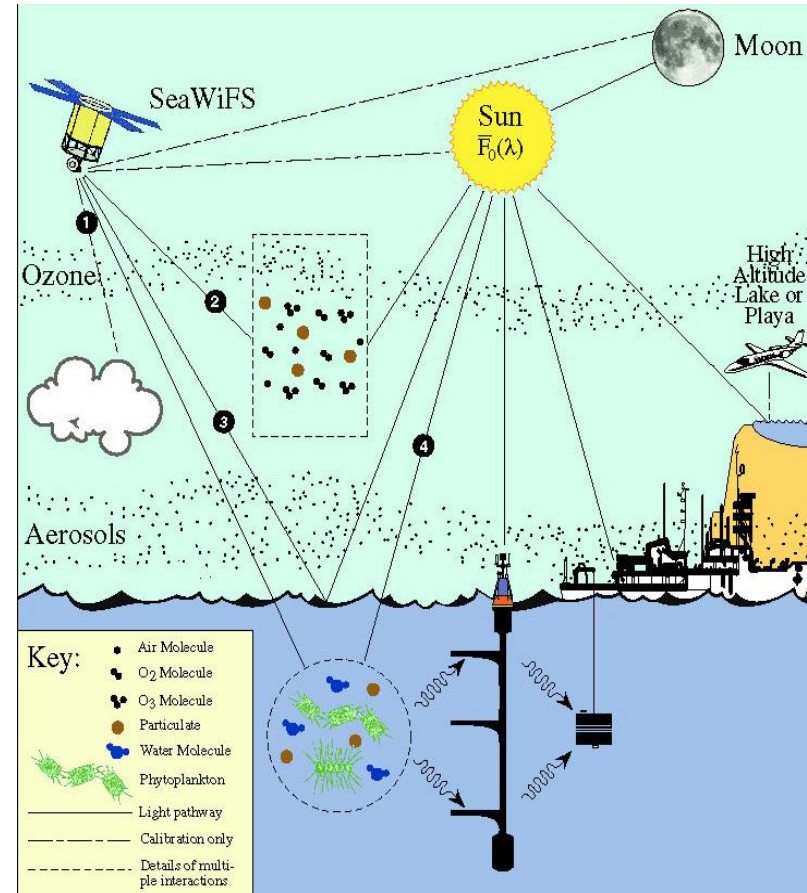
More on VRAME: E. Giannakaki

### Ocean Color Retrieval

- Requires atmospheric correction
- New: include lidar data

### Challenge

introduce new concepts on aerosol typing into established ocean color retrieval algorithms



# Conclusions

- Various Approaches to Aerosol Typing
- The Problem of „Defining“ Aerosol Types?
  - Source, Season, Region, Height, Age, Mixing State, Spread of Parameters
- Synergy of lidar and additional techniques:
  - satellite images, sunphotometer, backward trajectories/modelling(HYSPLIT, FLEXTRA/FLEXPART, DREAM, NAAPS ...), emission inventories (EMEP, ...), ...

# Aerosol Typing

Europe - EARLINET

Global:

(U. Wandinger will come back to some issues tomorrow)

North Africa

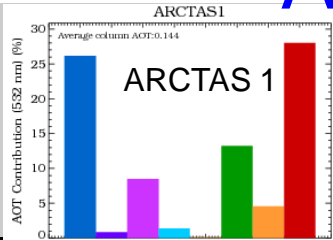
North America

South America

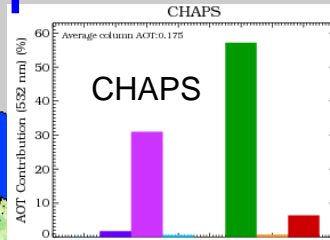
South Asia

East Asia

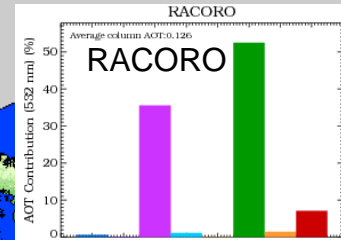
# Apportionment of Aerosol Optical Thickness by Aerosol Type – North America



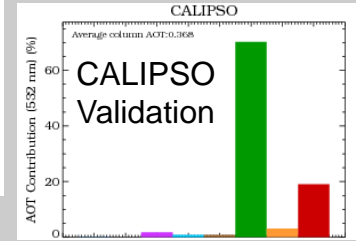
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April 1-20, 2008



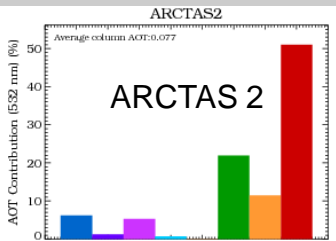
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June 3-29, 2007



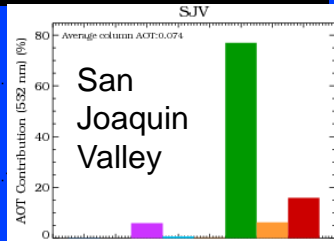
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June 3-26, 2009



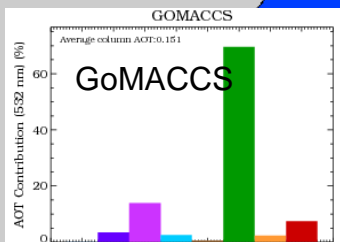
**CALIPSO/MODIS/CATZ (NASA)**  
January 17– Aug 11, 2007  
**Ocean Subsurface (NASA-ODU-NYU)**  
September 9-29, 2009



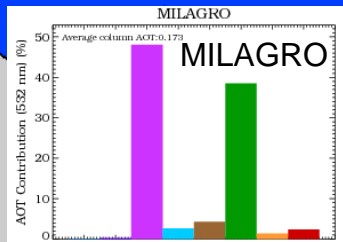
**ARCTAS 2 (NASA)**  
June 25 – July 14, 2008



**San Joaquin Valley (EPA)**  
February 8-21, 2007



**TexAQS II/GoMACCS**  
NOAA-DOE-NASA  
Aug 27 – Sep 29, 2006

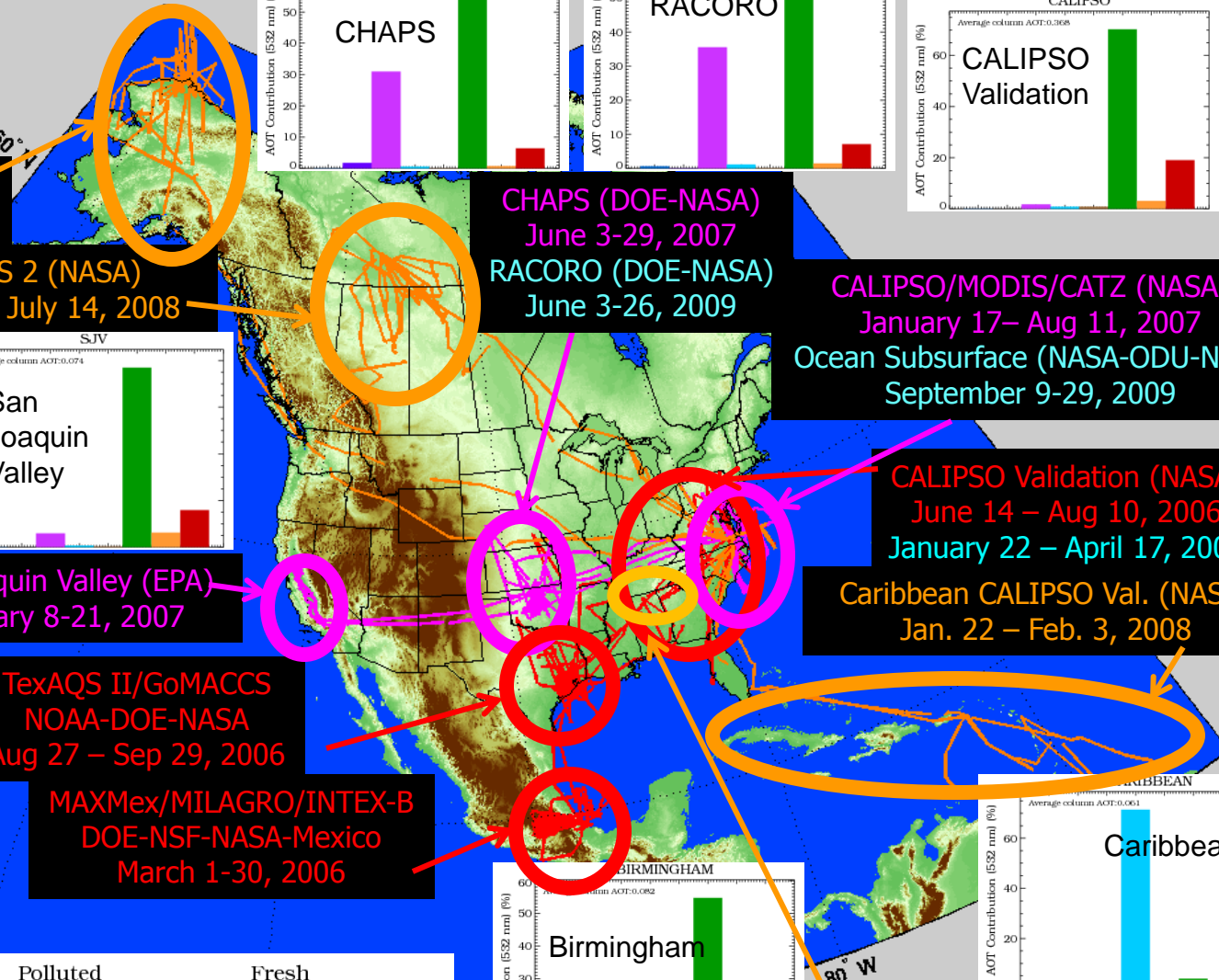
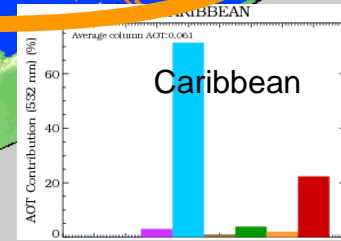


**MAXMex/MILAGRO/INTEX-B**  
DOE-NSF-NASA-Mexico  
March 1-30, 2006

**CALIPSO Validation (NASA)**  
June 14 – Aug 10, 2006  
January 22 – April 17, 2009  
**Caribbean CALIPSO Val. (NASA)**  
Jan. 22 – Feb. 3, 2008



**Birmingham (EPA)**  
Sept 16-Oct 16, 2008



# Variation of Aerosol Extinction and Aerosol Type with Altitude



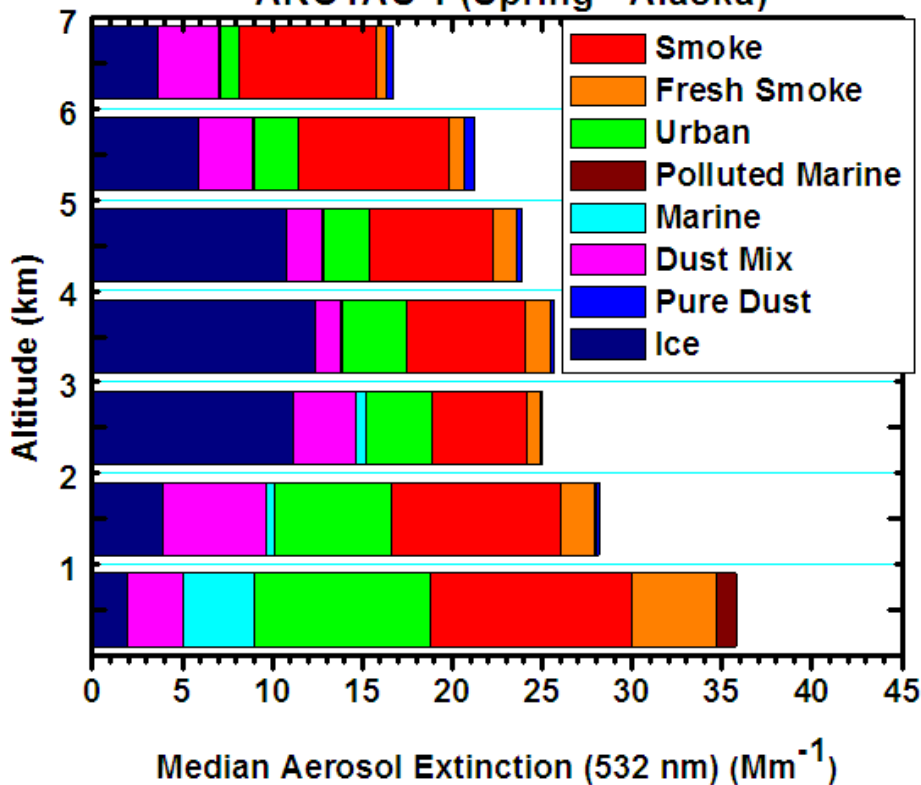
## ARCTAS 1 (Spring – Alaska)

- Ice was pronounced from 2-5 km
- Dust fraction increased with altitude
- Lowest levels had variety of aerosol types
- Urban type was most prominent at lowest levels

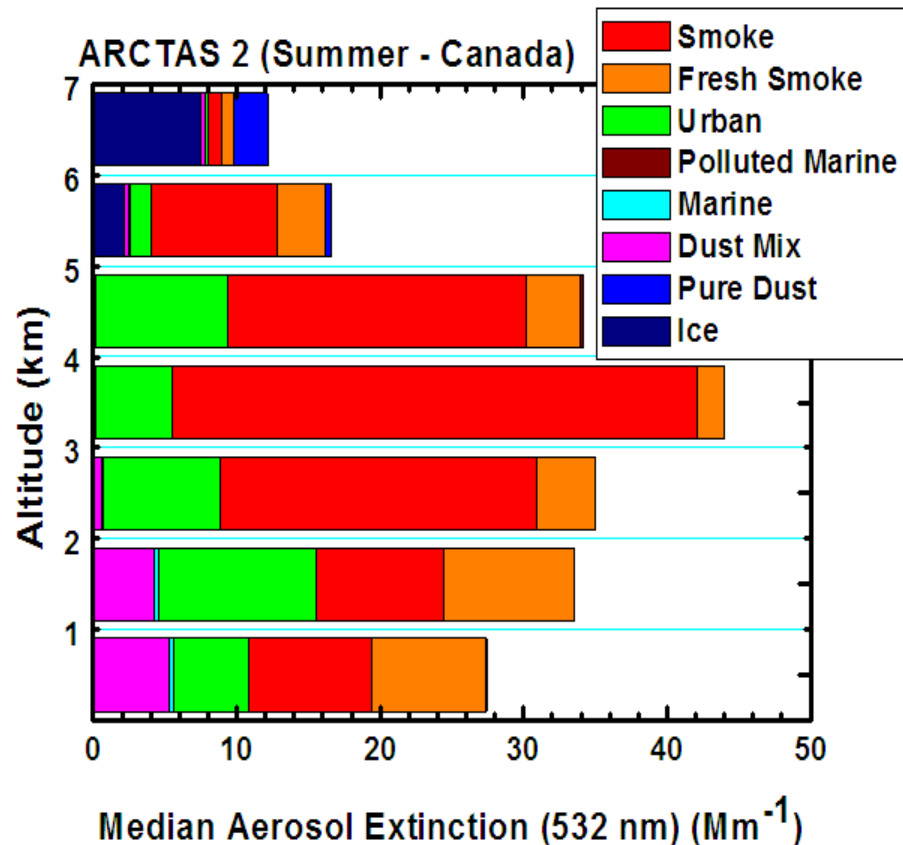
## ARCTAS 2 (Summer – Canada)

- Ice found only at high altitude
- Lowest levels (< 2 km) had more fresh smoke
- Biomass burning (smoke) was dominant type 2-6 km
- Some dust found below 2 km

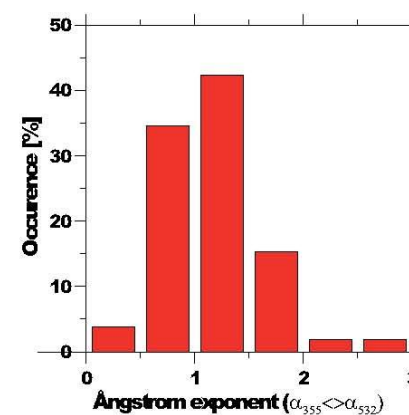
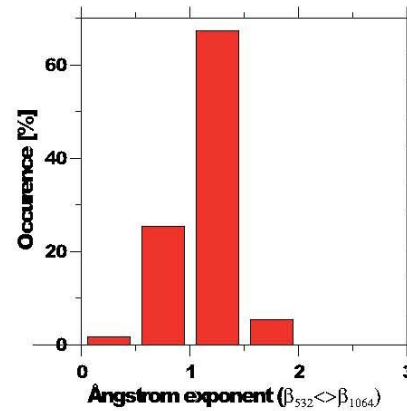
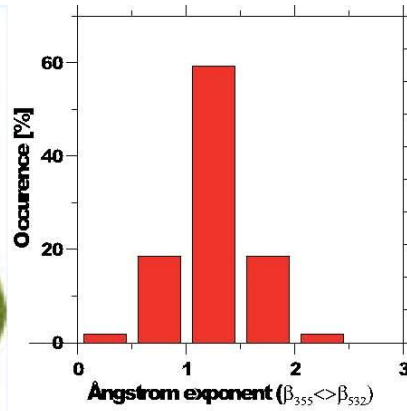
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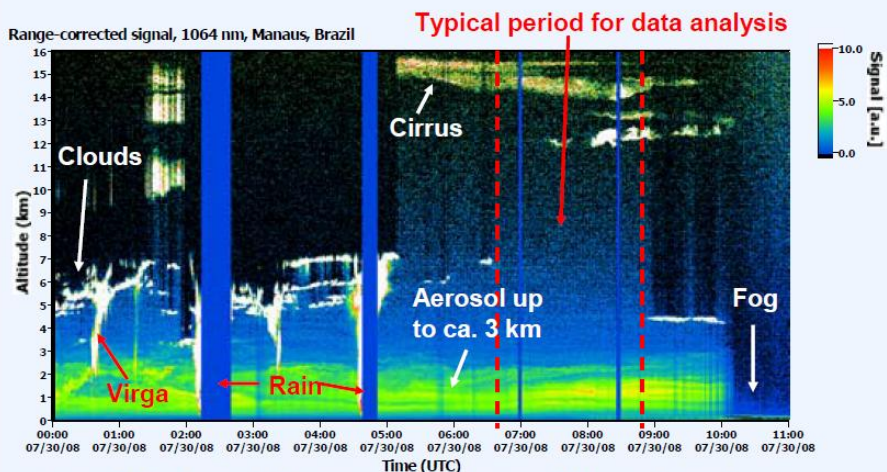
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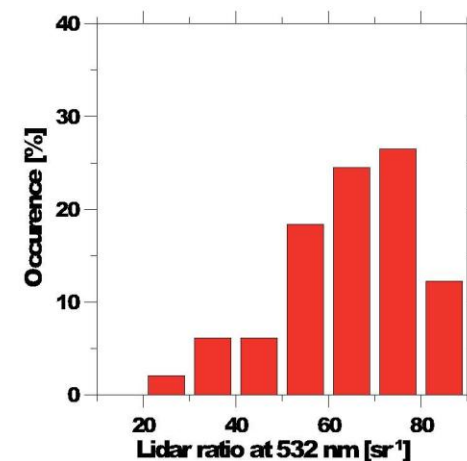
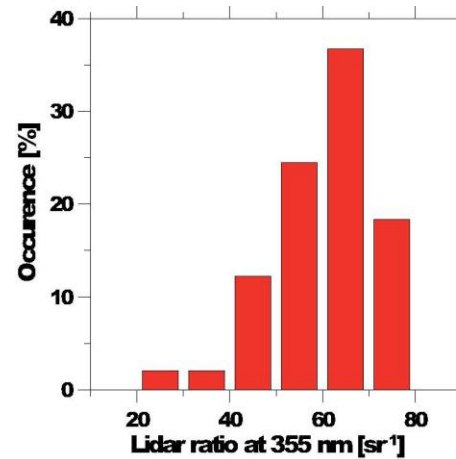
# South America – Biomass Burning



## Typical measurement: 30 July 2008



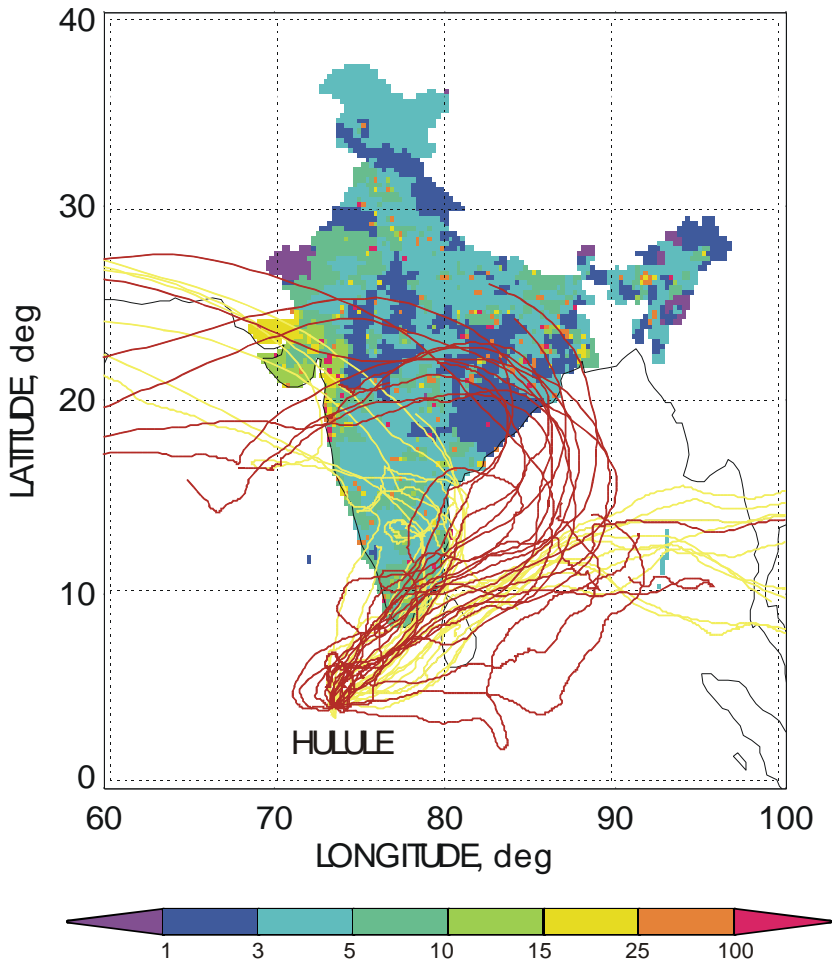
Temporal development of the range-corrected signal at 1064 nm observed with Polly<sup>XT</sup> near Manaus, Brazil, on 30 July 2008. Local time = UTC - 4h.



EUCAARI - IfT, H. Baars, D. Atlhansen, R. Engelmann et al.

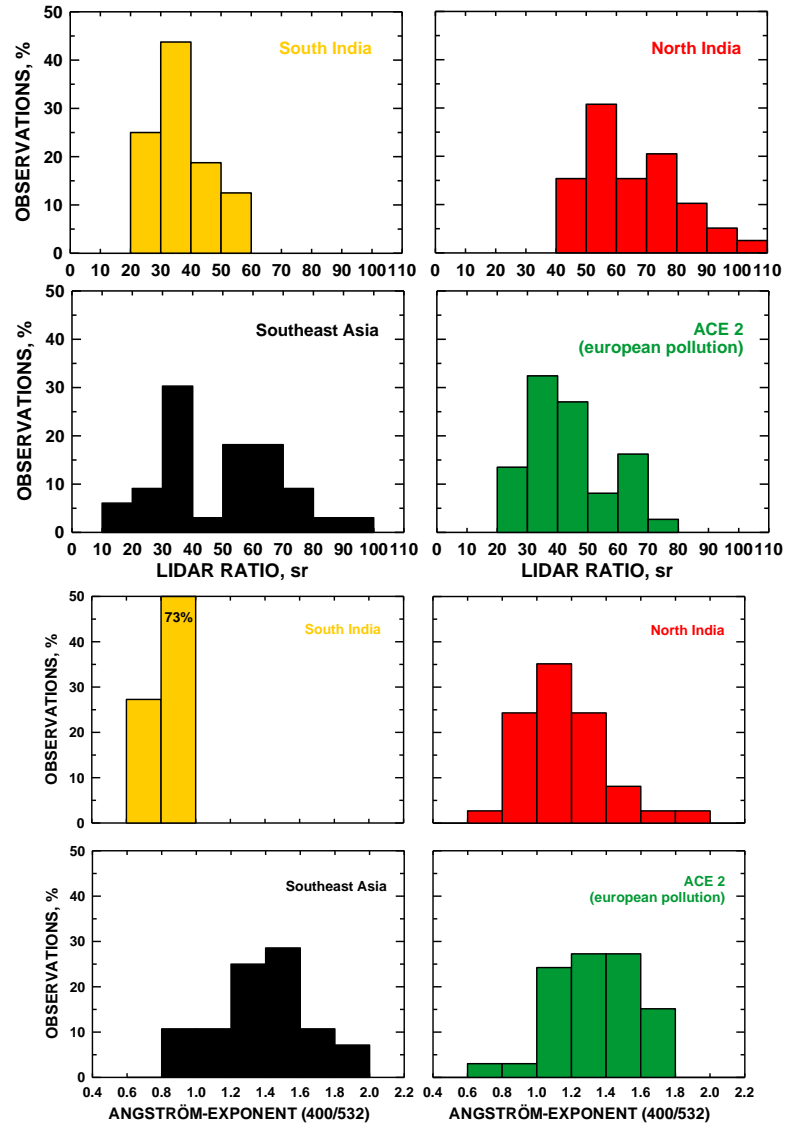
# South Asia – Indian Ocean Long-Range Transport

## INDOEX 1999/2000 Airmass-Related Characterization



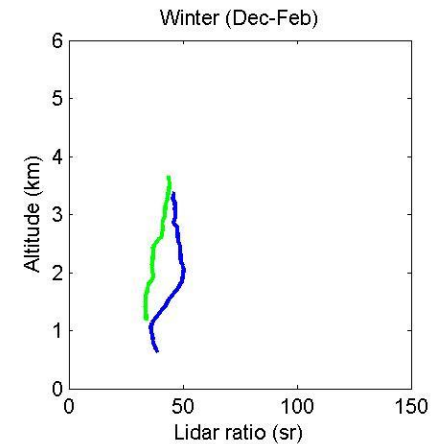
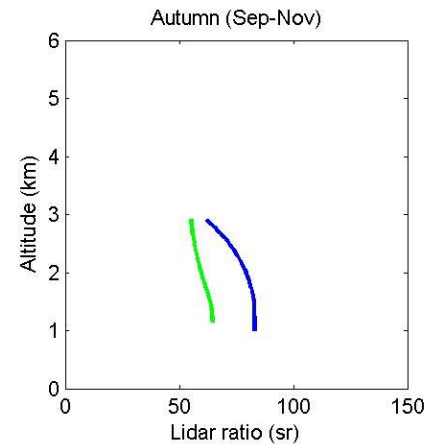
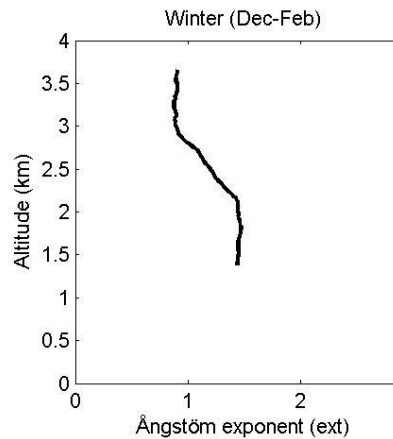
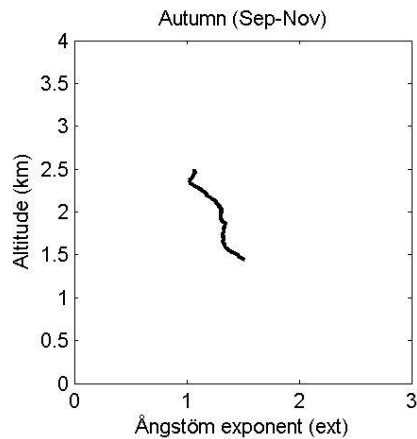
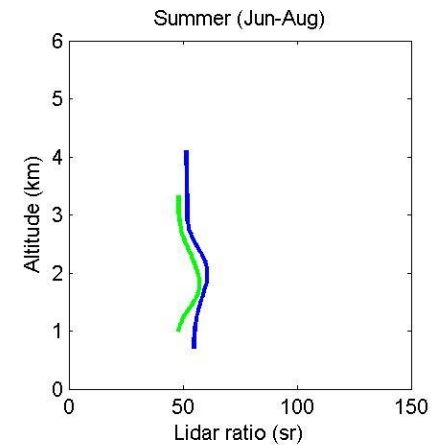
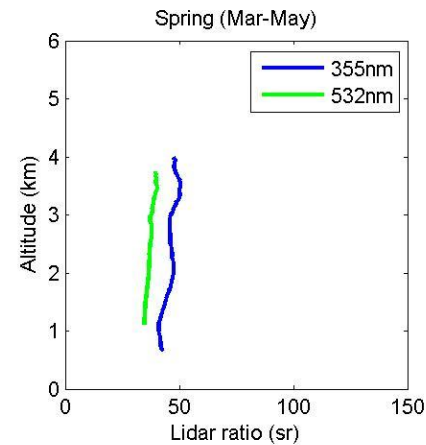
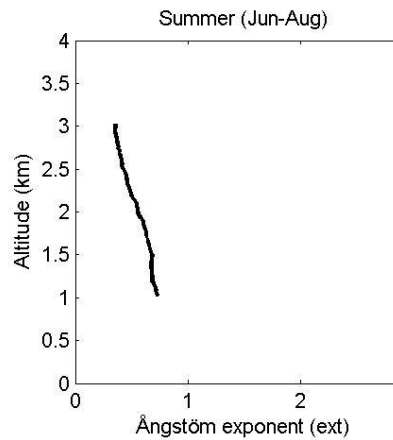
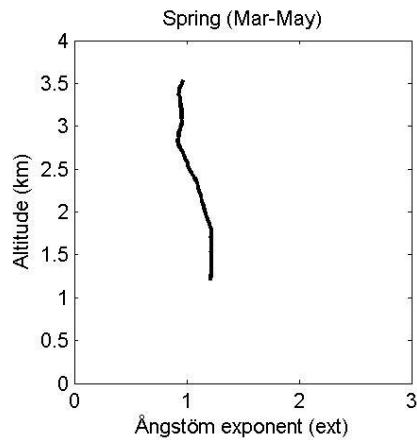
absorption

scattering





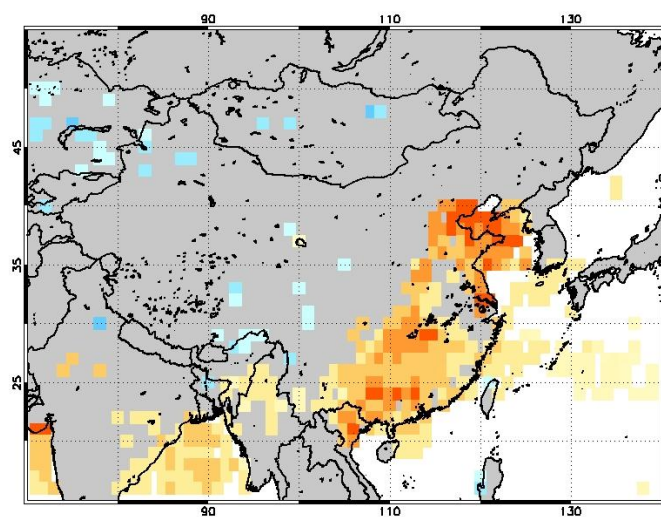
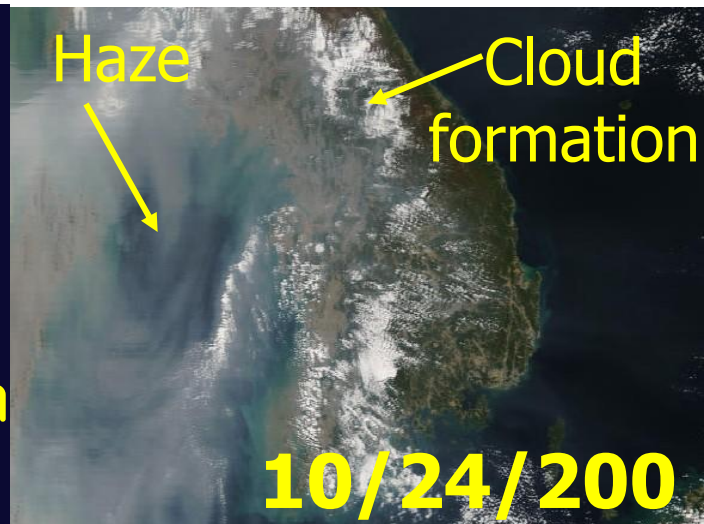
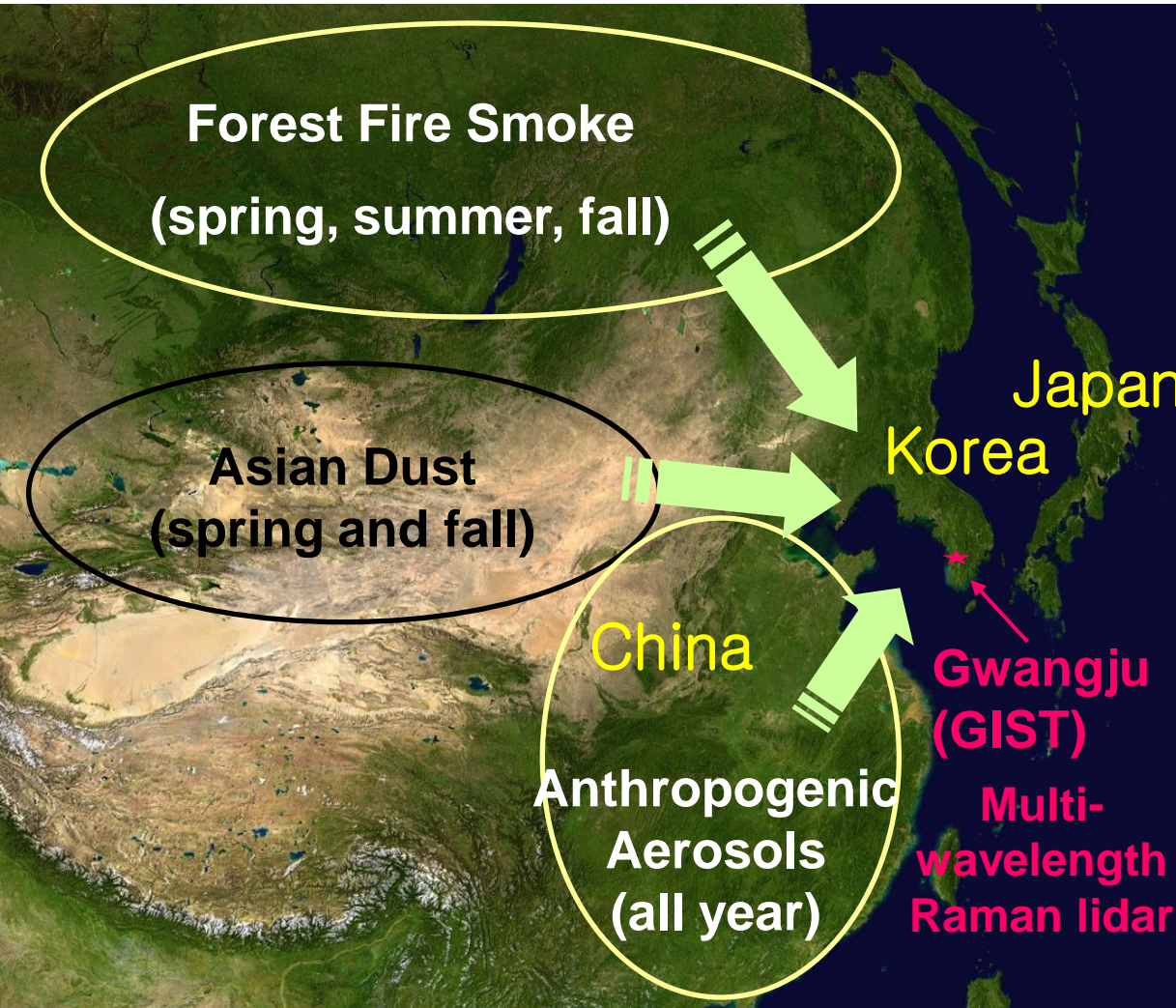
# South Asia - North India: Source Region



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Finnish Meteorological Institute: M. Komppula et al.,  
IfT: D. Atlhausen, R. Engelmann et al.

# East Asia – “Medium” Long-Range Transport



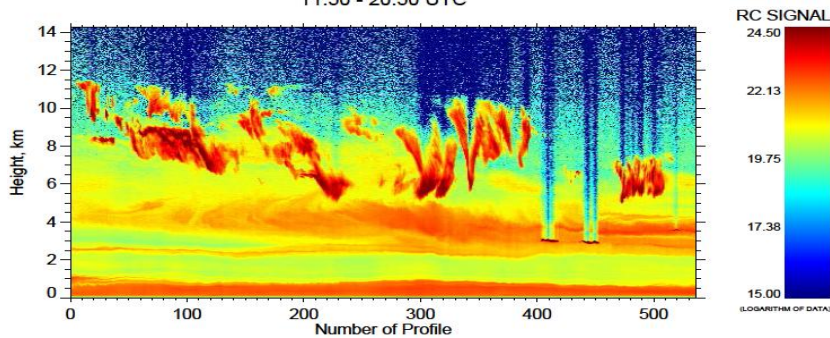
MODIS Annual increasing rate of AOT (1999 - 2008)

$$\frac{\Delta AOT}{Year} : 0.01 - 0.03$$

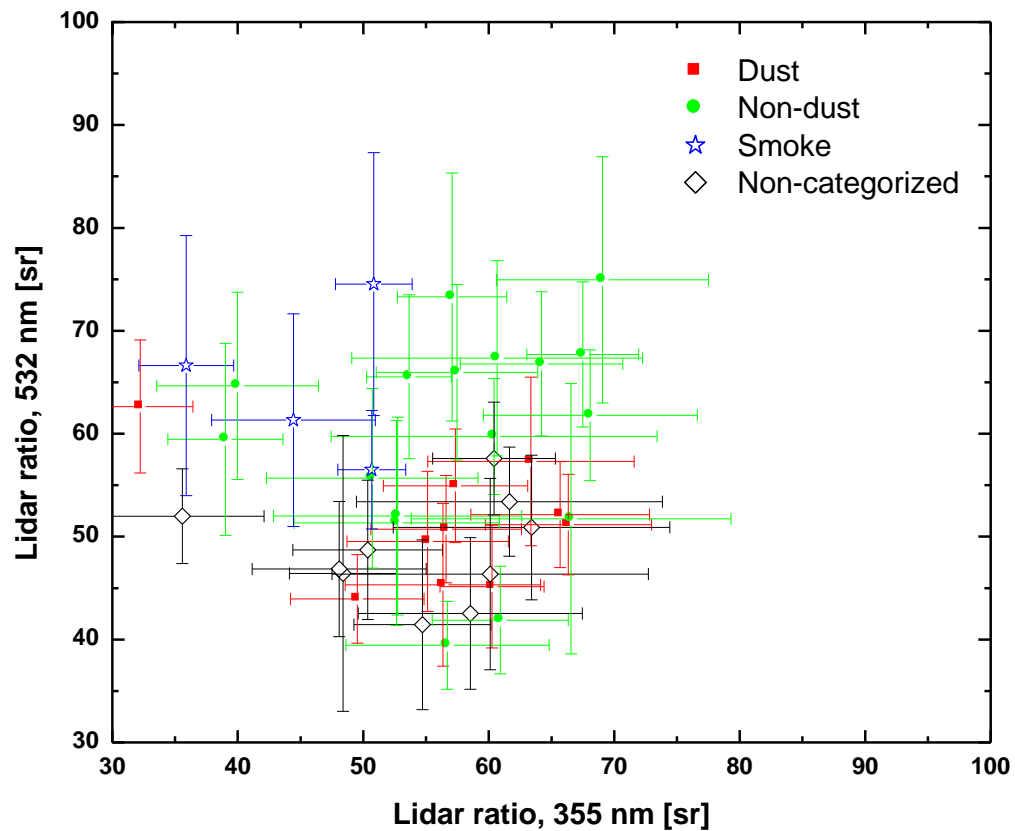
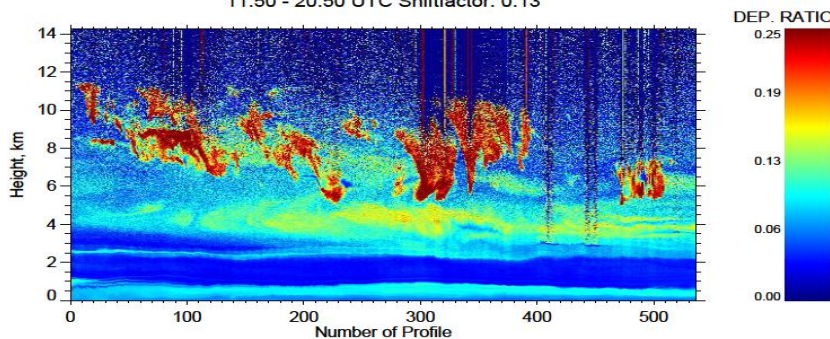
[Lee et al., 2008]

# Spectral Signature of Lidar Ratio

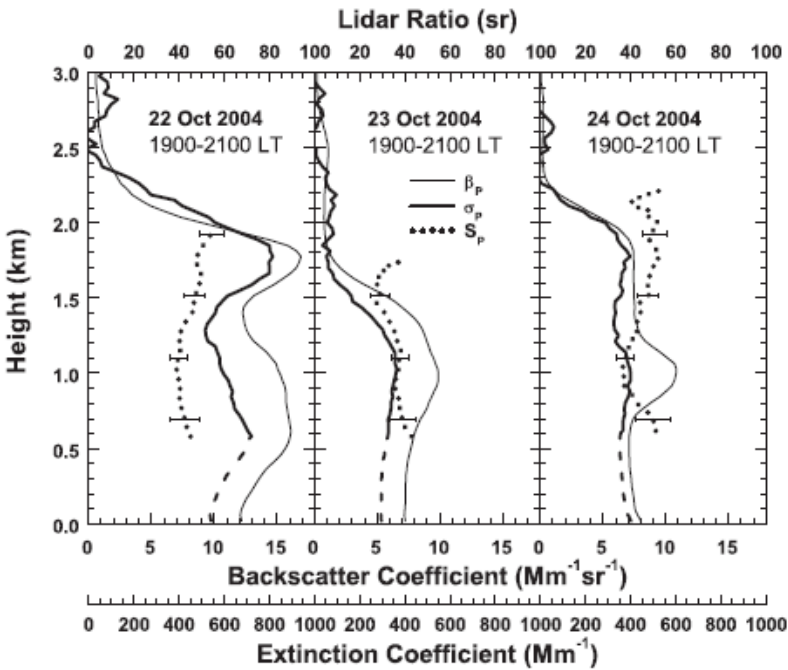
GIST-Lidar 532 nm RC Signal on 21 Mar 2010  
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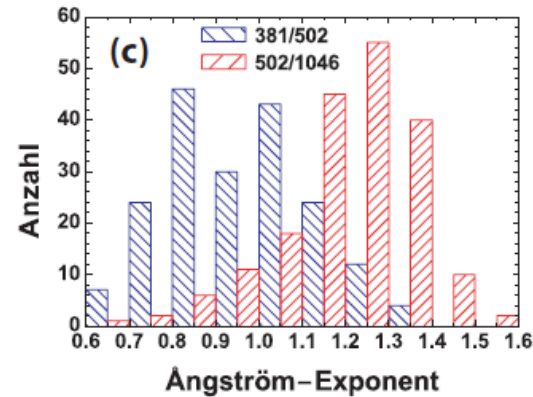
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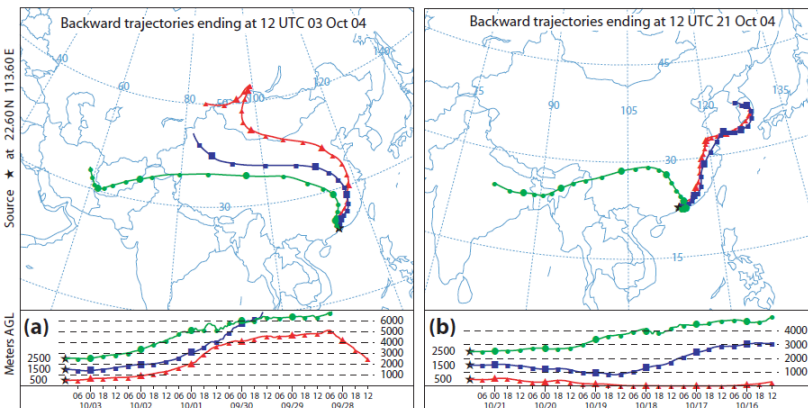
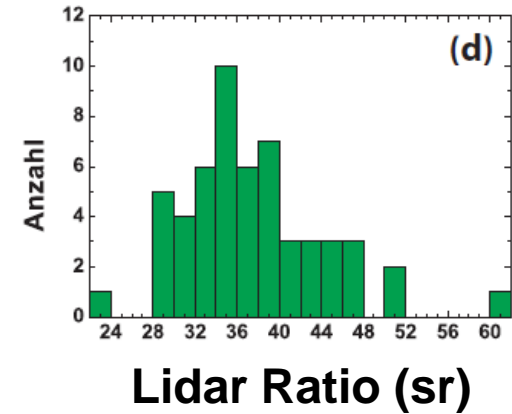
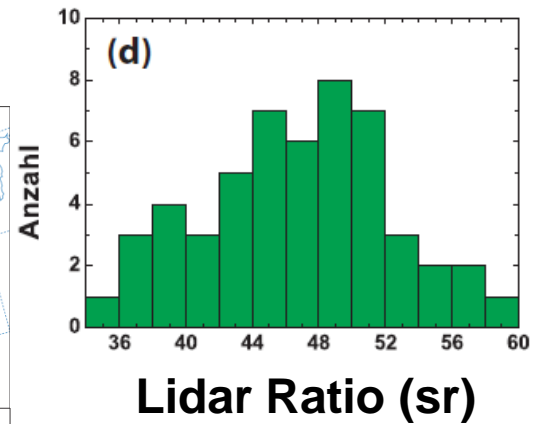
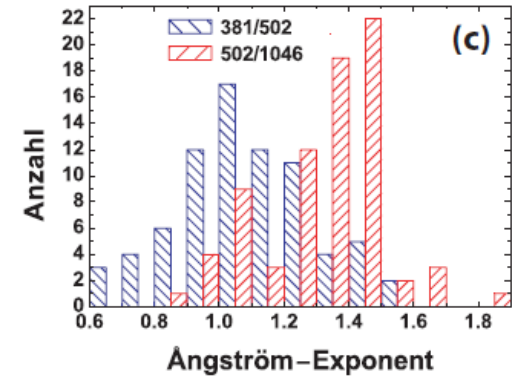
# East Asia: China - „In Source Region“



## South China



## North China





# ICELAND: Fresh volcanic ash (younger than 2 days) Depolarization Ratio as Information Source

More on Volcanic Aerosols: I. Mattis

