



# Chemical Characterization of Organic Aerosol during SOAS Using High Resolution Aerosol Mass Spectrometer

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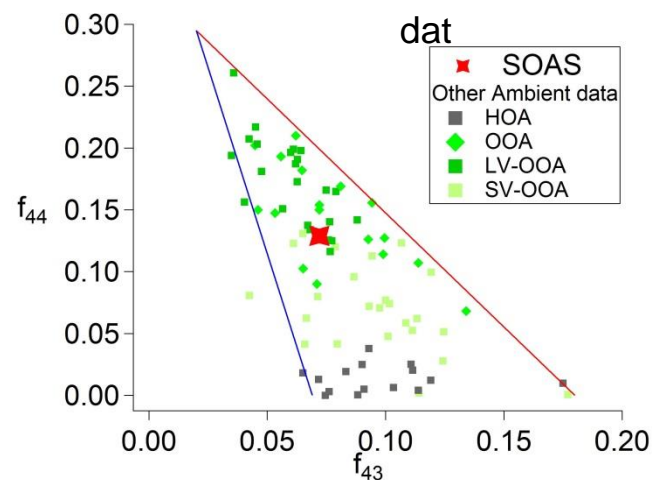
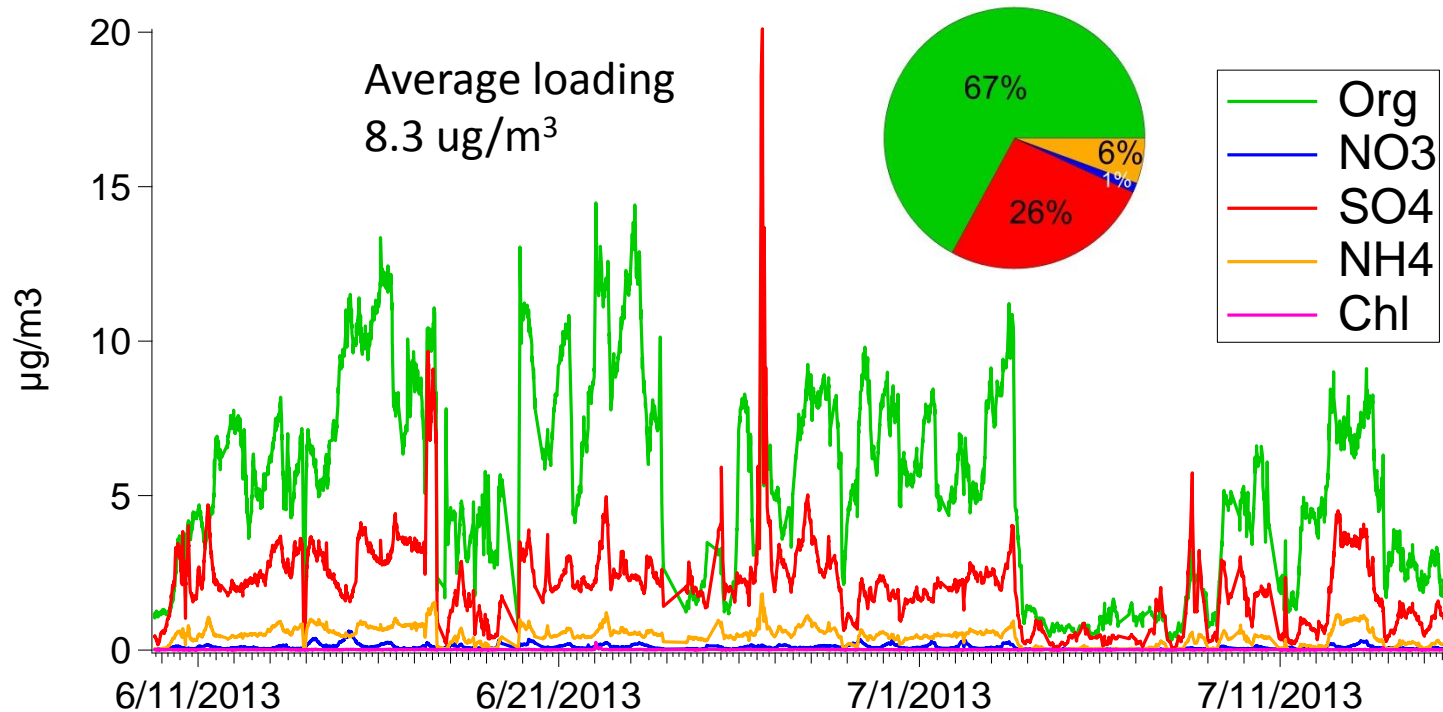
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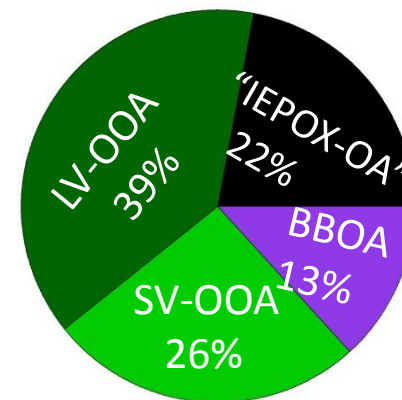
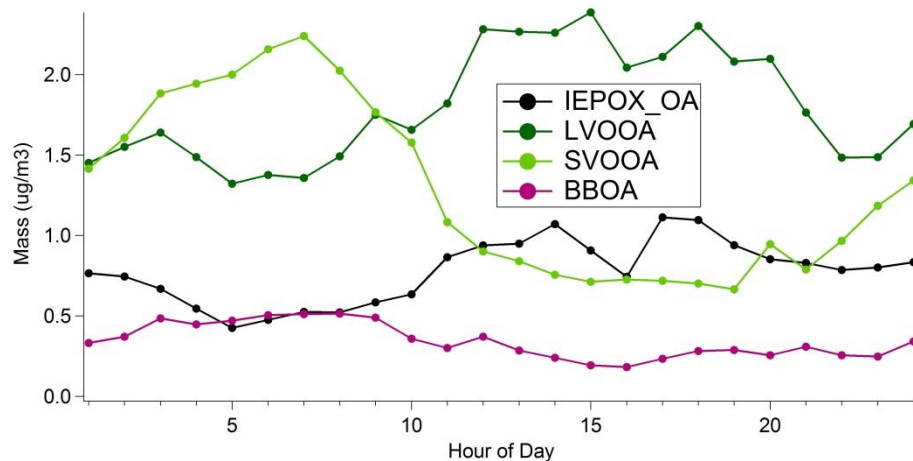
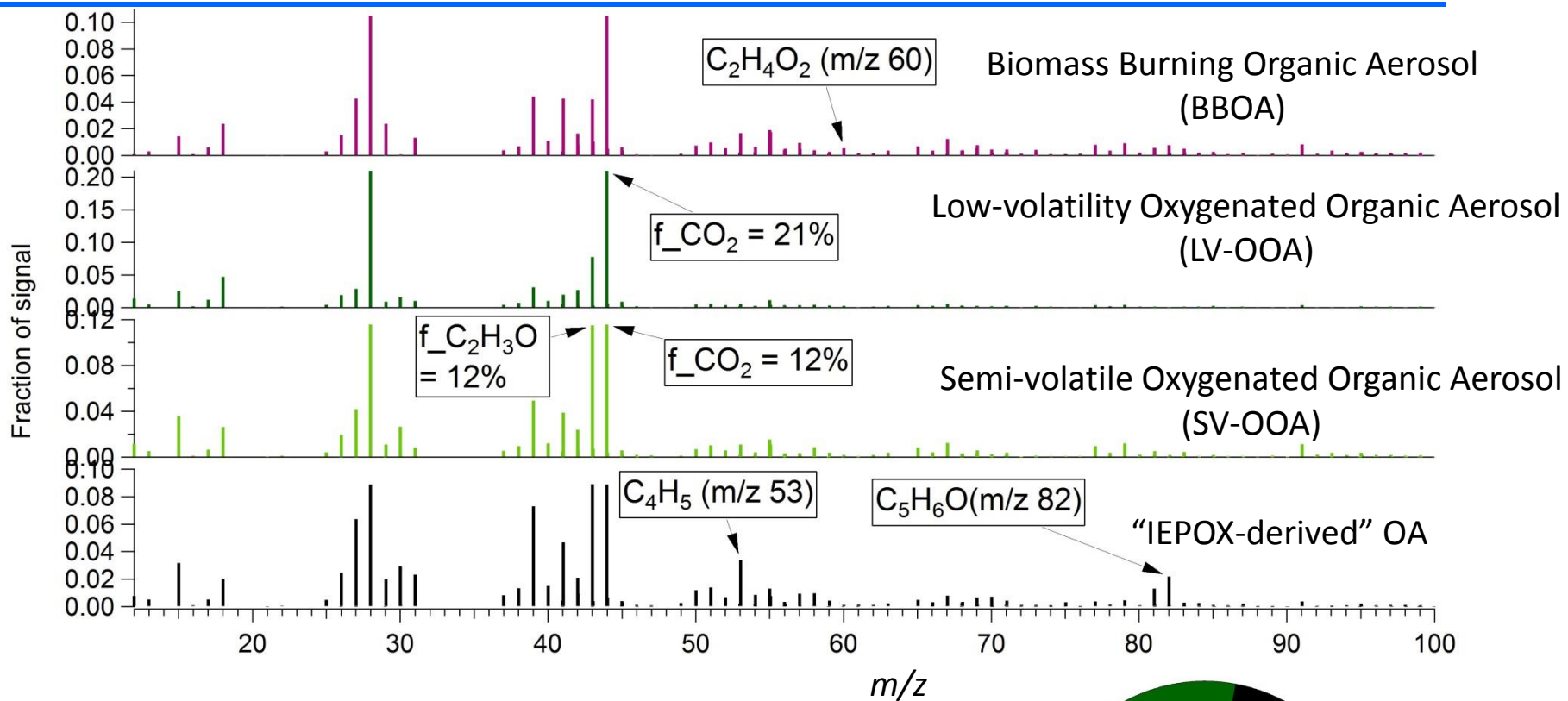
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SAS workshop

# Ambient Non-refractory PM1 composition (High-Resolution Time-of-Flight Aerosol Mass Spectrometer)



# Positive Matrix Factorization (PMF) – ambient total OM



# PMF factors correlation

*All OA factors are correlated with at least one anthropogenic component*

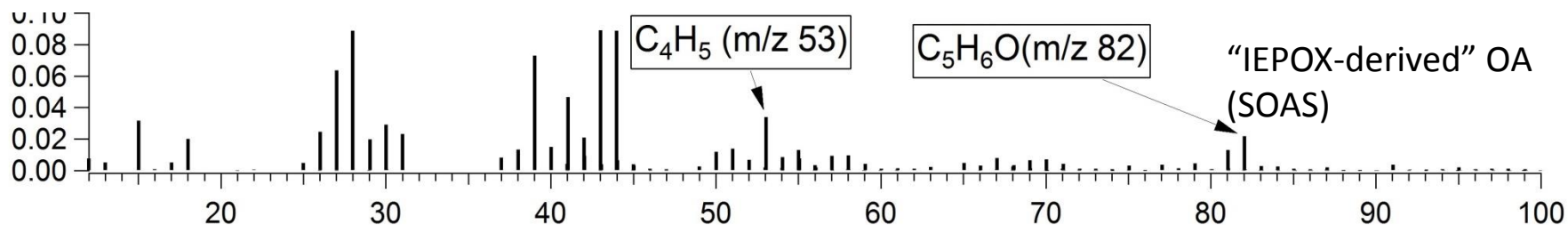
Table. R between species

	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	AMS NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	NO <sub>x</sub>	BC	O <sub>3</sub>	BrnC
"IEPOX <sub>-</sub> OA"	<b>0.79</b>	0.12	-0.06	0.38	0.30	0.26
SVOOA	0.11	<b>0.81</b>	<b>0.61</b>	0.46	-0.22	0.43
LVOOA	0.42	0.33	0.01	<b>0.61</b>	<b>0.61</b>	0.44
BBOA	0.34	0.67	0.39	<b>0.70</b>	0.14	<b>0.74</b>

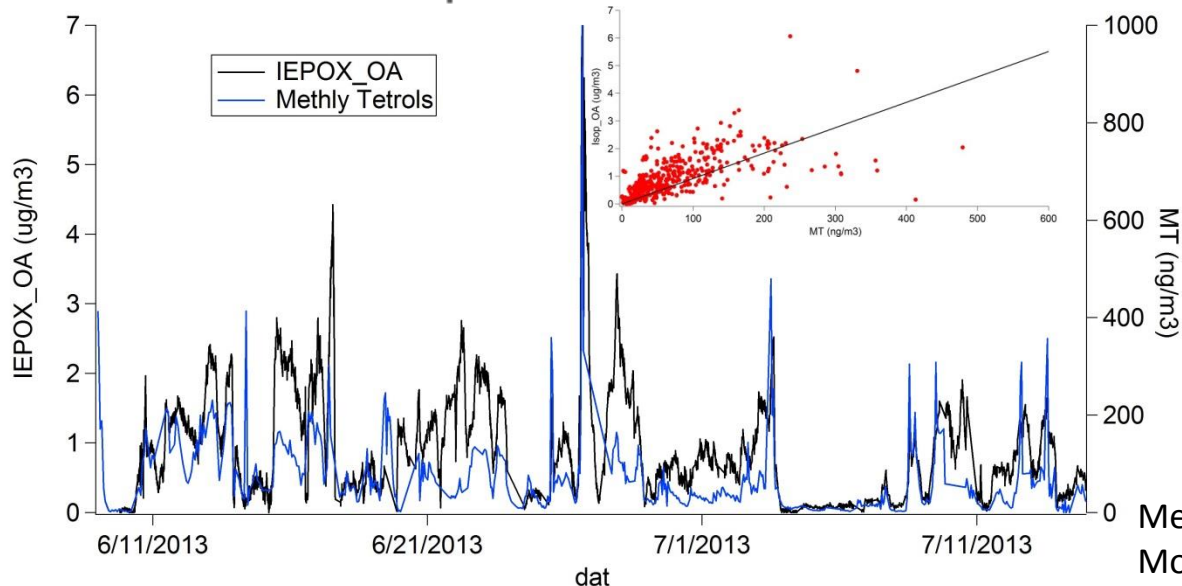
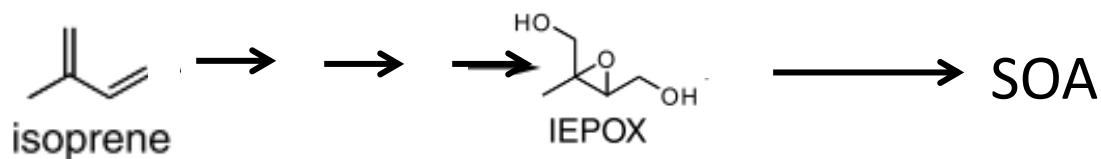
Weber et al, JGR 2007 → WSOC correlates with CO.

*Q: How do anthropogenic components affect SOA formation?*

# “IEPOX-OA”



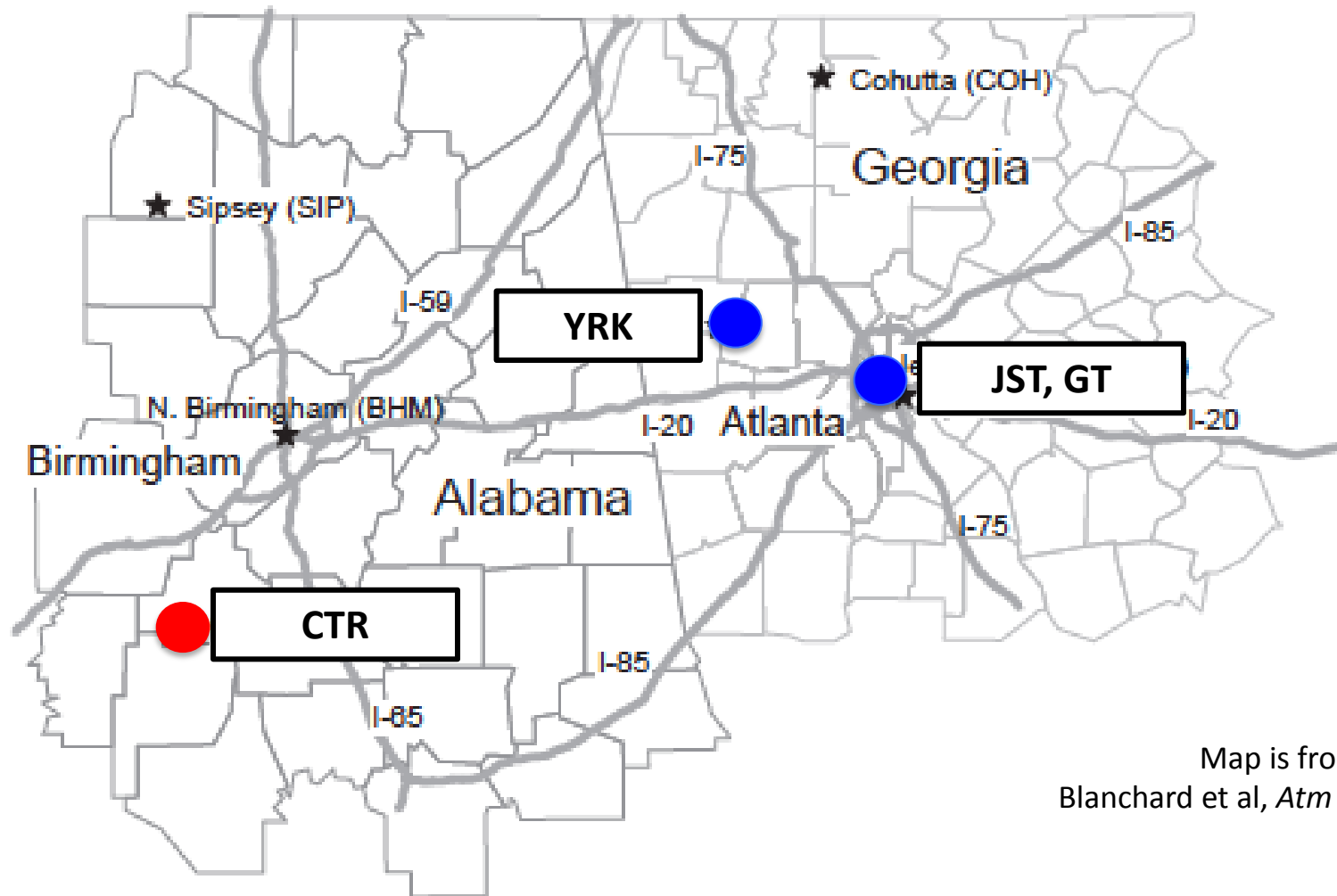
- Characterized by Ion  $C_4H_5^+$  and  $C_5H_6O^+$ .
- Robinson et al. (2011), Lin et al. (2012) → related to Isoprene (IEPOX) chemistry.



SOAS: IEPOX-OA correlates with Methyl Tetrols ( $R=0.7$ )  
→ This factor is related to isoprene OA

Methyl Tetrols data are from Goldstein group.  
More details: poster by Gabriel Isaacman.

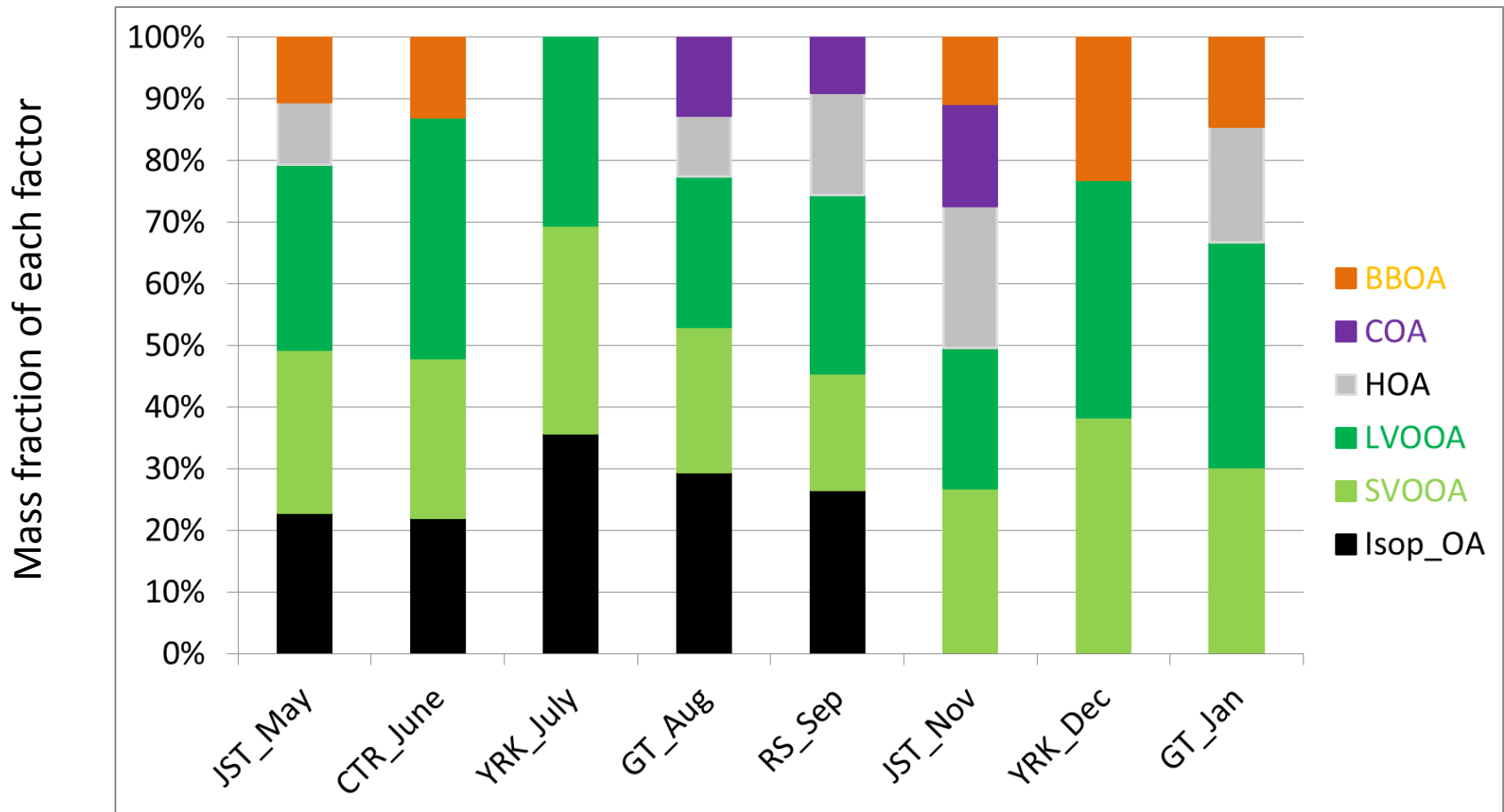
# Greater Atlanta Area (EPA Clean Air Center: SCAPE)



Map is from  
Blanchard et al, *Atm Env* 2011.



# "IEPOX-OA"



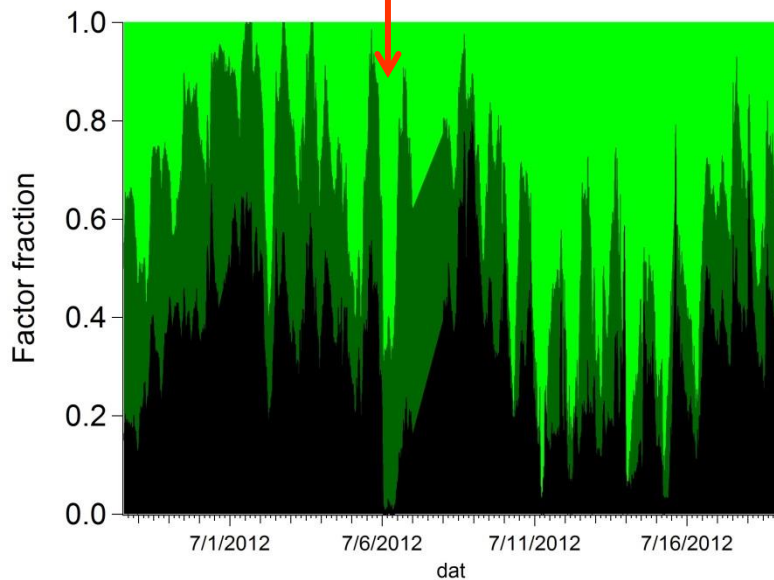
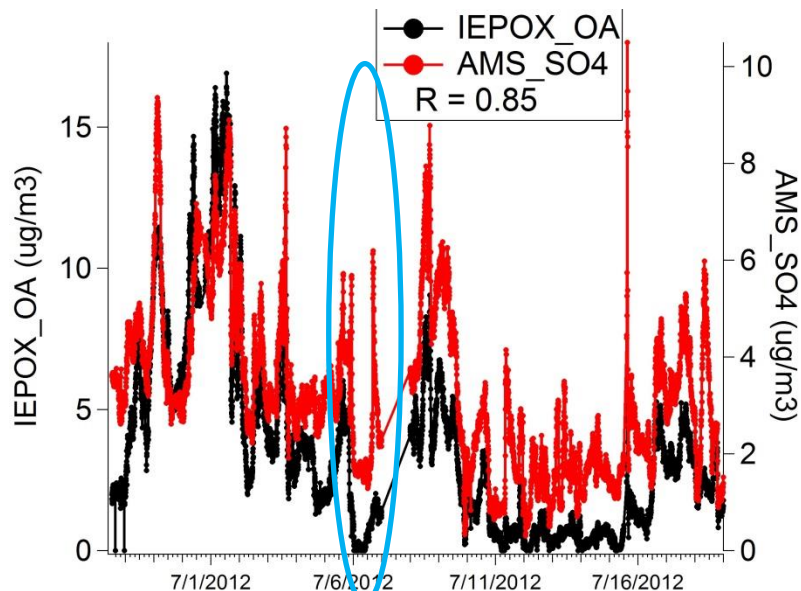
Our study (SOAS + Atlanta):  
Isoprene OA was only observed  
from May to September.

Consistency

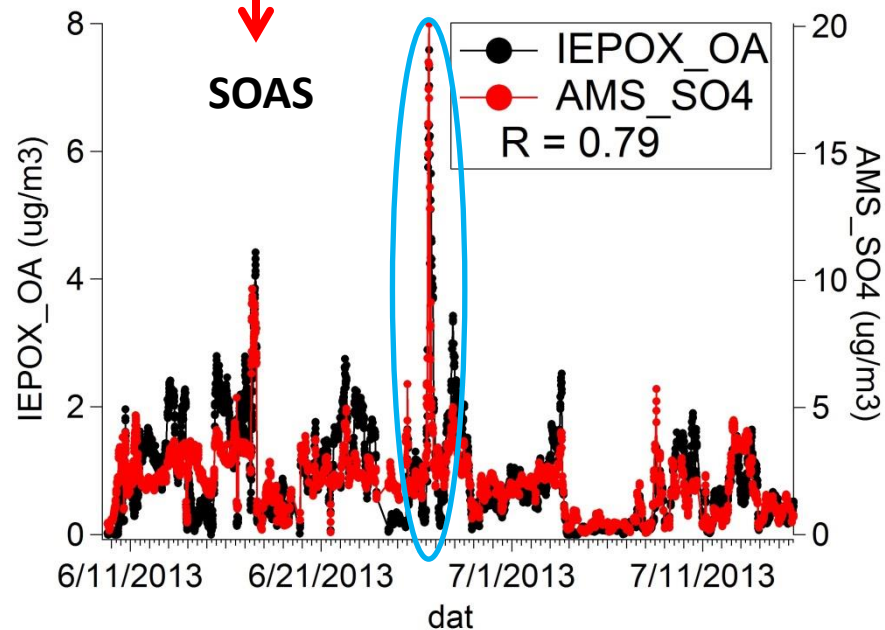
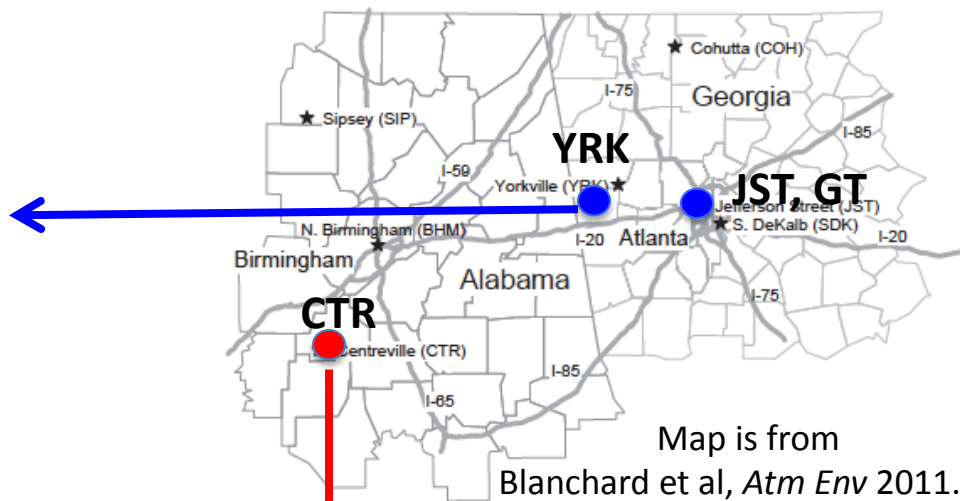


Guenther et al (2006 ACP):  
seasonal variation of isoprene  
emission (high in summer)  
Ding et al. (ES&T 2008):  
methytetrols only exist from May  
to October in US SE.

# “IEPOX-OA”



Low SO<sub>4</sub> limits “IEPOX\_OA” formation.

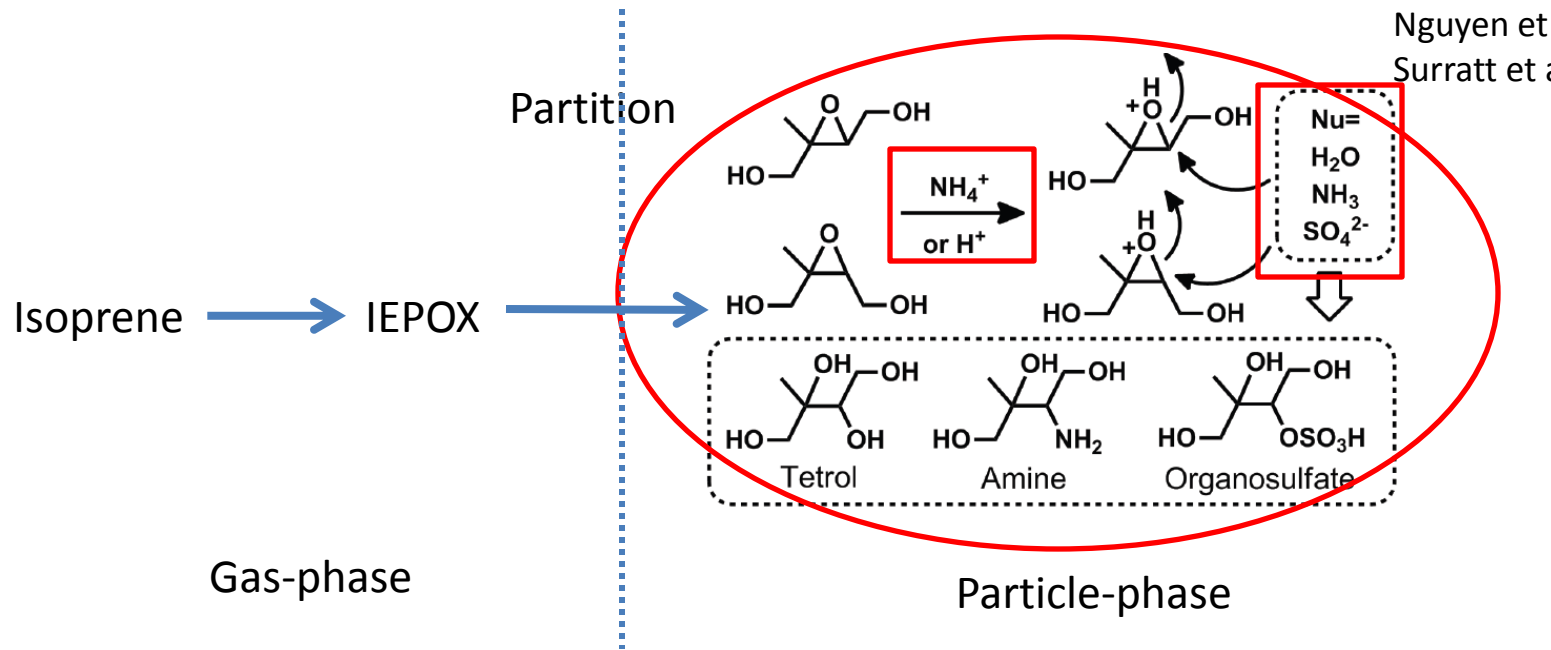


High SO<sub>4</sub> enhances “IEPOX\_OA” formation



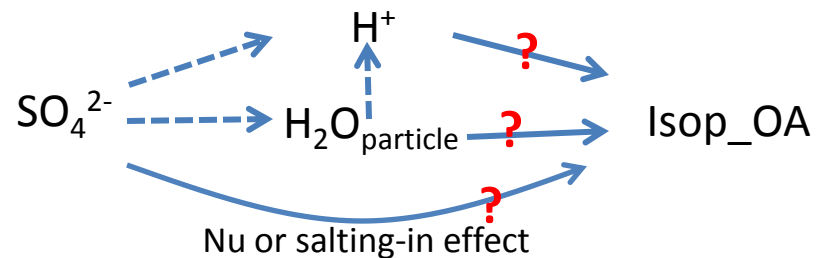
# Mechanism of IEPOX\_OA formation

Nguyen et al. 2013 ACPD  
Surratt et al. 2010 PNAS



Requirement (Nguyen et al.)

1. Particle water
2. Proton donor:  $\text{H}^+$ ;  $\text{NH}_4^+$
3. Nucleophile:  $\text{SO}_4$ ;  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$



Question: how exactly does  $\text{SO}_4$  influence isoprene SOA?

Through affecting acidity?

Through affecting particle water?

Or directly as a nucleophile or salting-in effect?

# Effect of SO<sub>4</sub> on IEPOX\_OA formation

## -- Multivariate Linear Regression

$$\text{IEPOX\_OA} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * \text{H}_2\text{O} + \beta_2 * [\text{H}^+] + \beta_3 * \text{SO}_4$$

$$\text{Adjusted } R^2 = 0.66$$

Variable	$\beta$ -coefficient	Standard error	t Value	P value
Intercept	0.054	0.115	0.47	0.6365
H <sub>2</sub> O	0.006	0.010	0.65	0.5141
H <sup>+</sup>	-0.106	0.057	-1.86	0.0641
SO <sub>4</sub>	0.450	0.018	24.35	<0.0001

- Particle water and H<sup>+</sup> are predicted by ISORROPIA (II).
- SO<sub>4</sub> has the strongest association with IEPOX\_OA
- IEPOX\_OA vs H<sub>2</sub>O/acidity → not significant (same for organic water)
- Water and Acidity are important in IEPOX\_OA formation, but they are not limiting factors.

# Effect of water and acidity on IEPOX\_OA formation

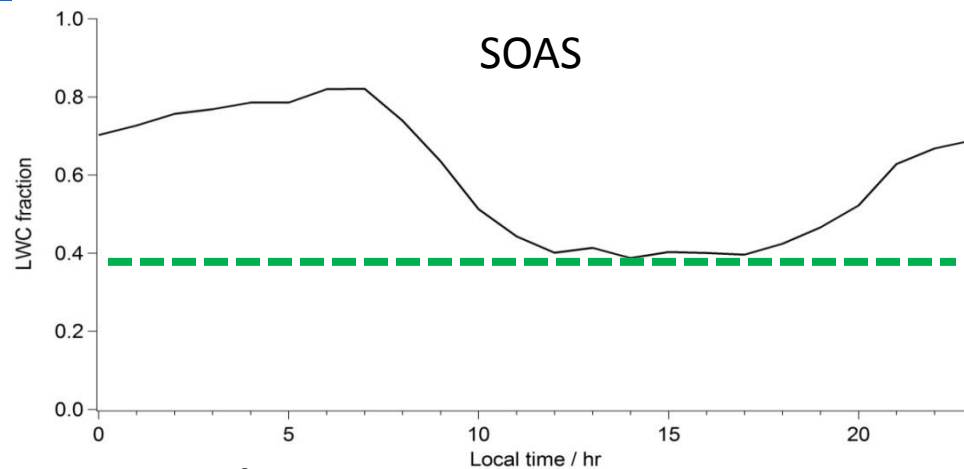
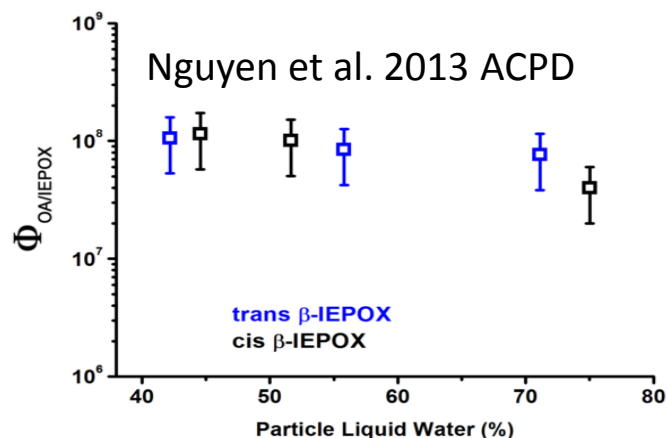
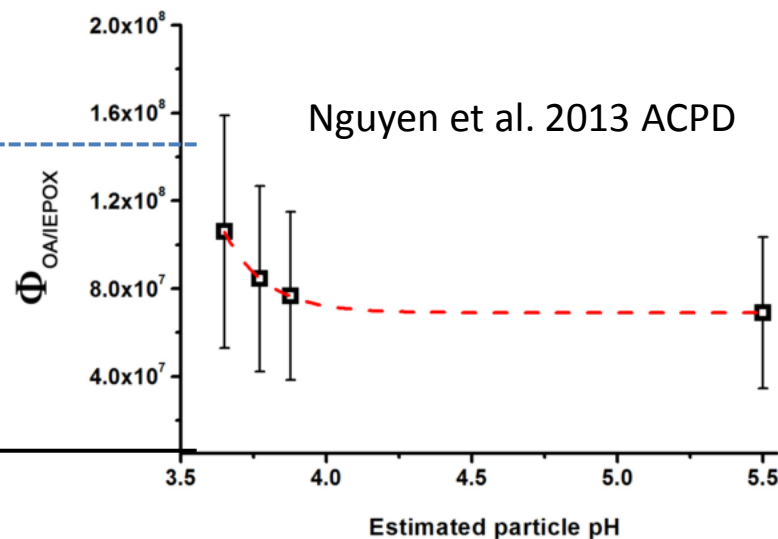


Fig. 2. Reactive partitioning coefficients ( $\Phi_{\text{OA}/\text{IEPOX}}$ ) during the gas-phase IEPOX injection phase for the *trans* and *cis* isomers as a function of the particle liquid water concentration. Error bars indicate an estimated combined 50 % error.

Note: for consistency

$1.5 \times 10^8$   
Lin et al. (2012 ES&T)



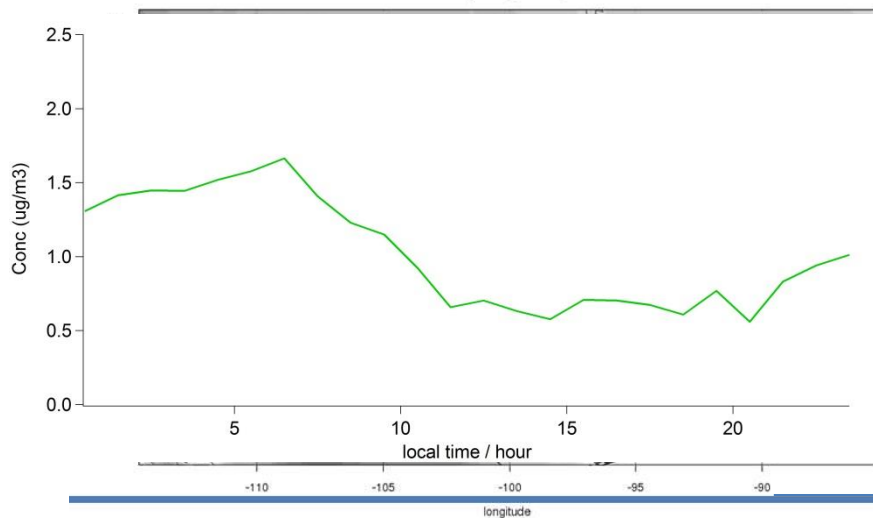
-10  
 $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 + \text{MgSO}_4$   
**SOAS**  
 **$\text{pH} = 0.98 \pm 0.61$**

Fig. 3.  $\Phi_{\text{OA}/\text{IEPOX}}$  for the *trans*  $\beta$ -IEPOX isomer as a function of the modeled particle pH.

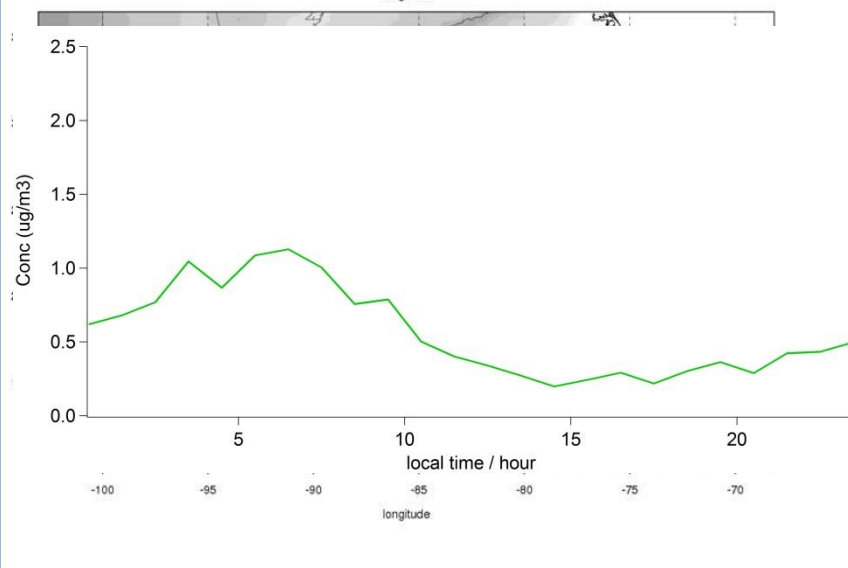
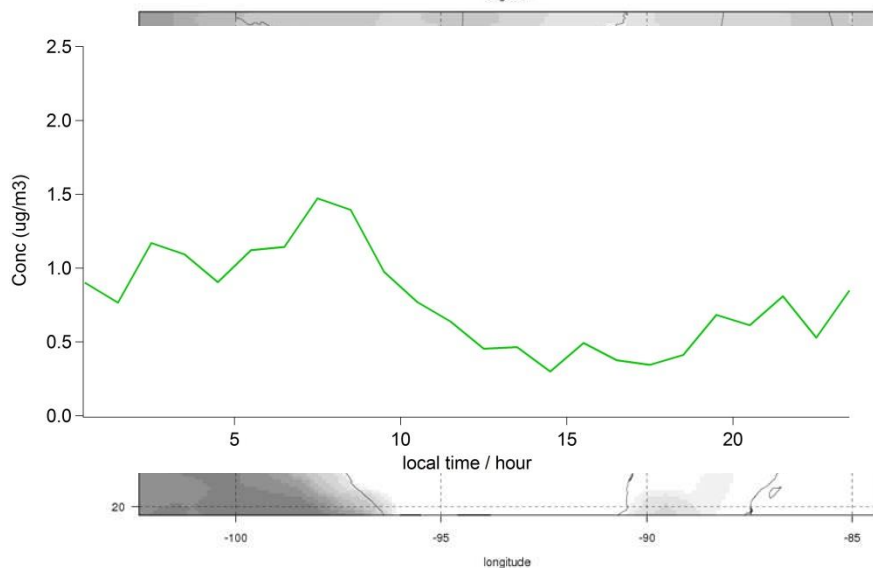
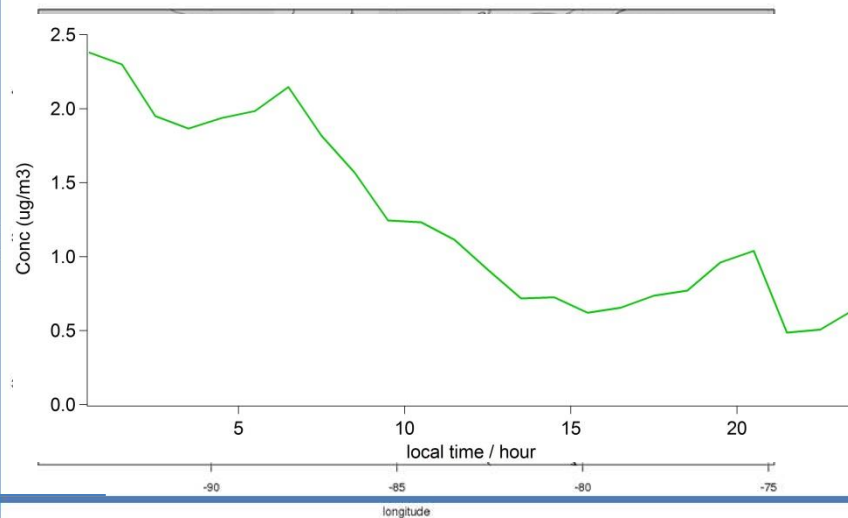


# Source of SVOOA: local or long-range transport?

NW (16 days)



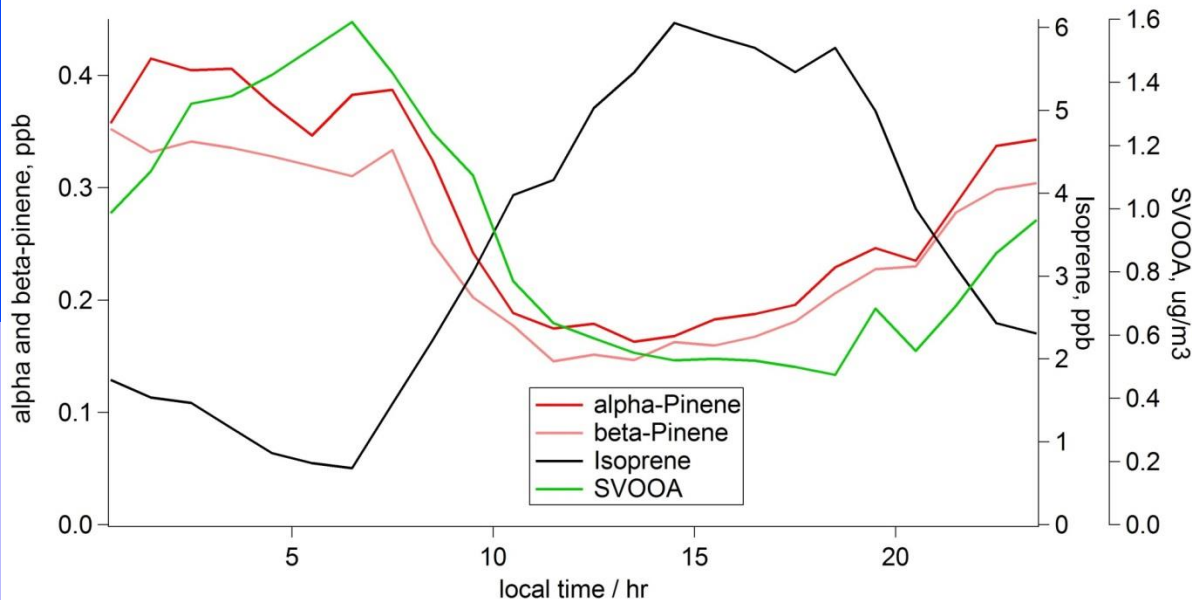
NE (3 days)



SW (11 days)

SE (5 days)

# Source of SVOOA: Monoterpenes

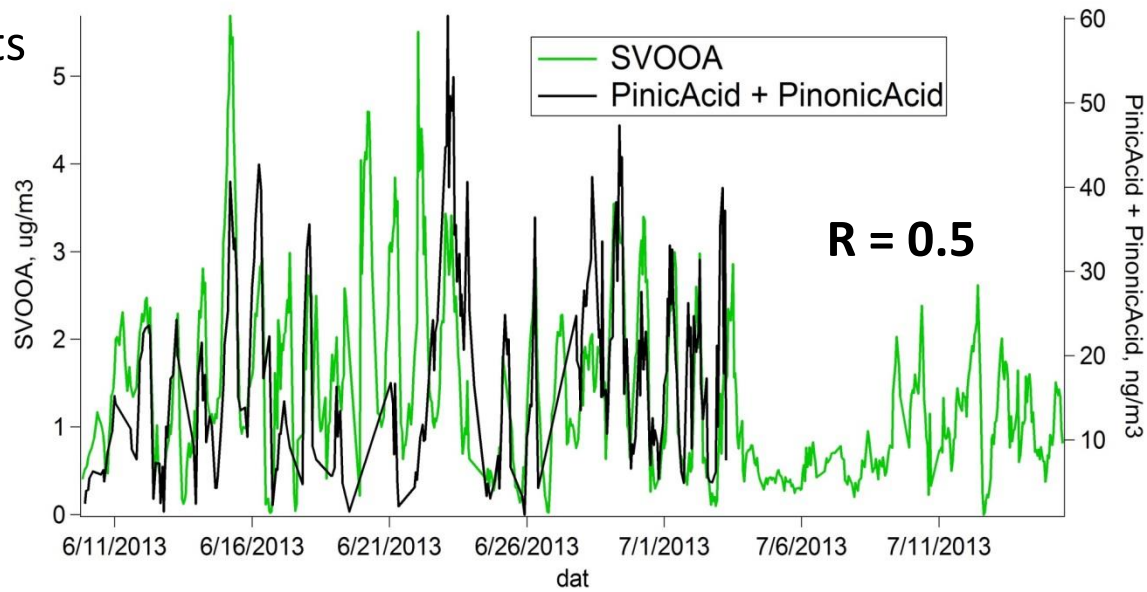


SVOOA has similar diurnal trend as monoterpenes.

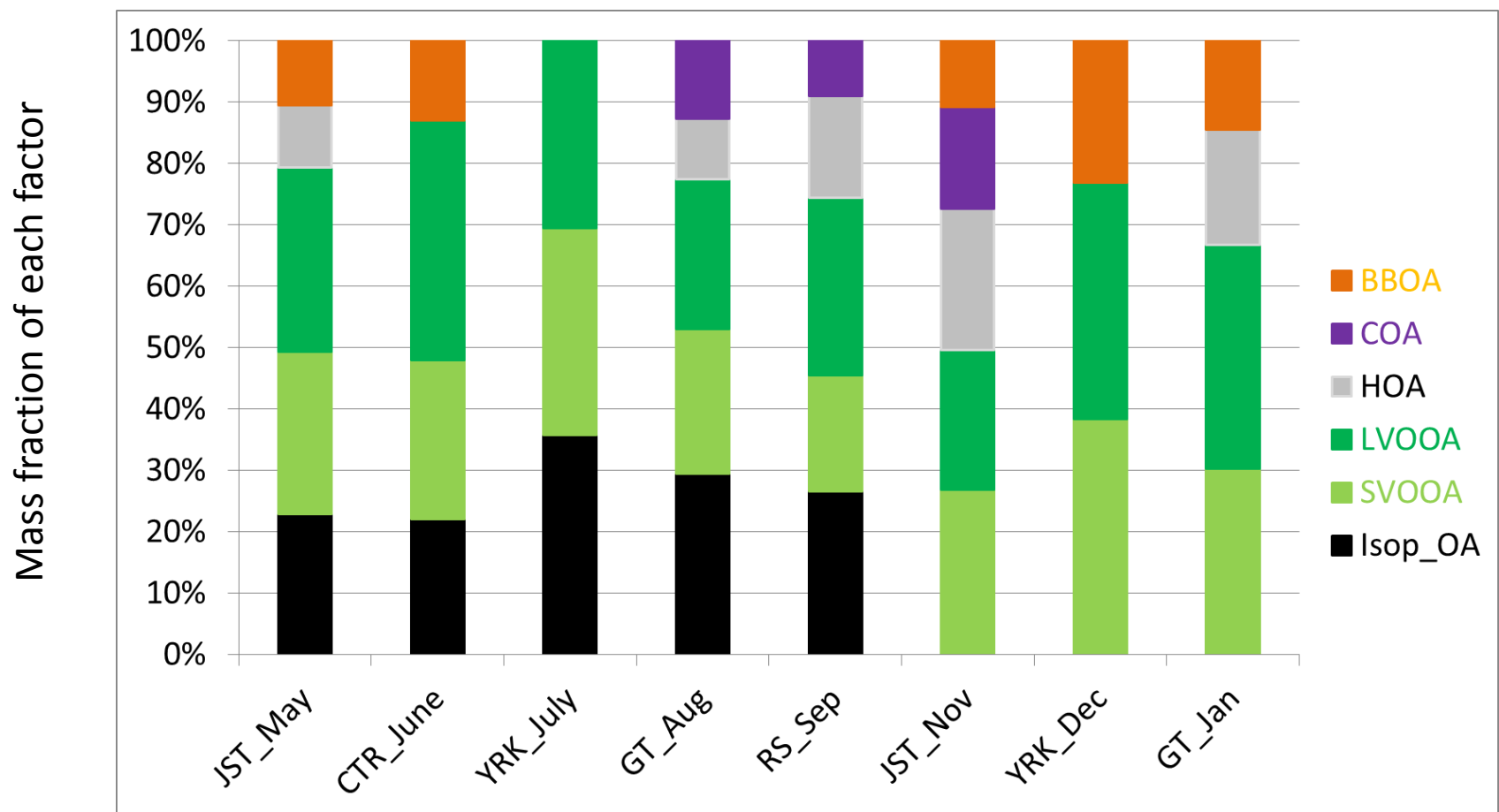
SVOOA correlates with monoterpene oxidation products (Pinic Acid and Pinonic Acid).

SVOOA could be related to SOA from monoterpenes.

Pinic/Pinonic acids are from Goldstein group

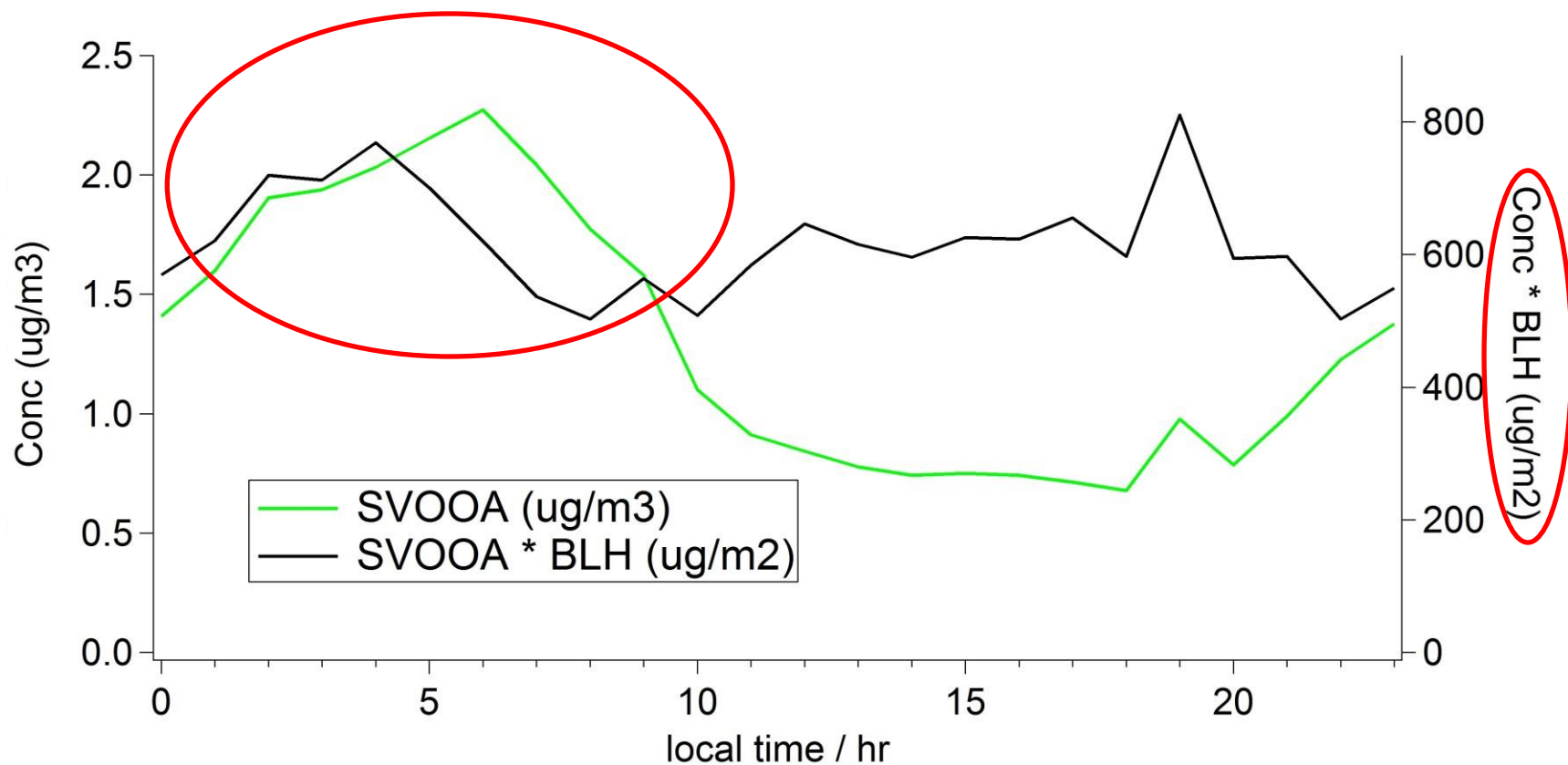


# Evidence for “SVOOA is from Monoterpenes”



- Greater Atlanta Area: SVOOA was observed throughout the year.
- Unlike Isoprene, monoterpenes exist throughout the year.
- Ding et al. (ES&T 2008) showed that oxidation products of monoterpenes exist in US SE throughout the year.

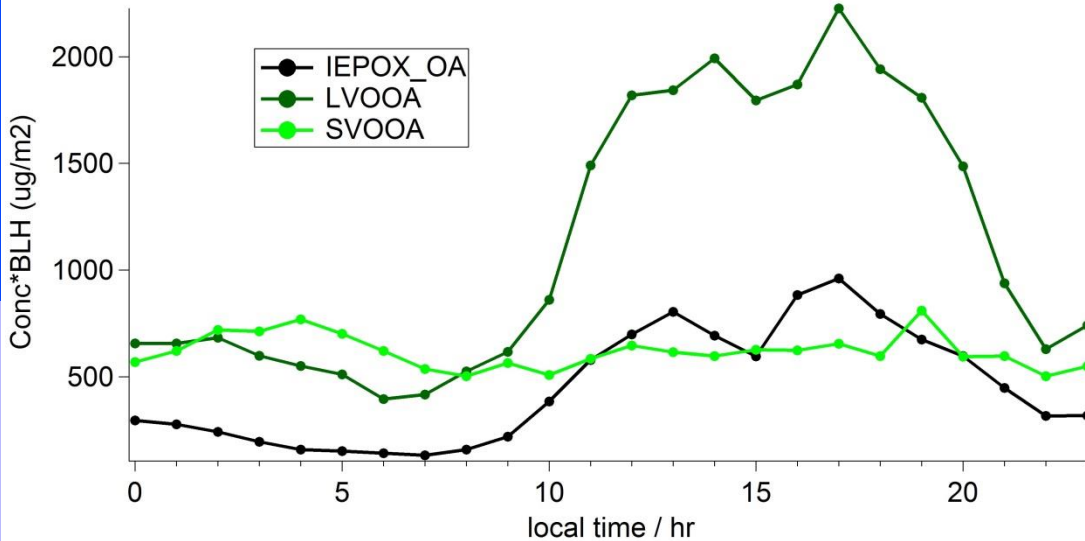
# SVOOA



Nighttime increase: change in BLH or production?

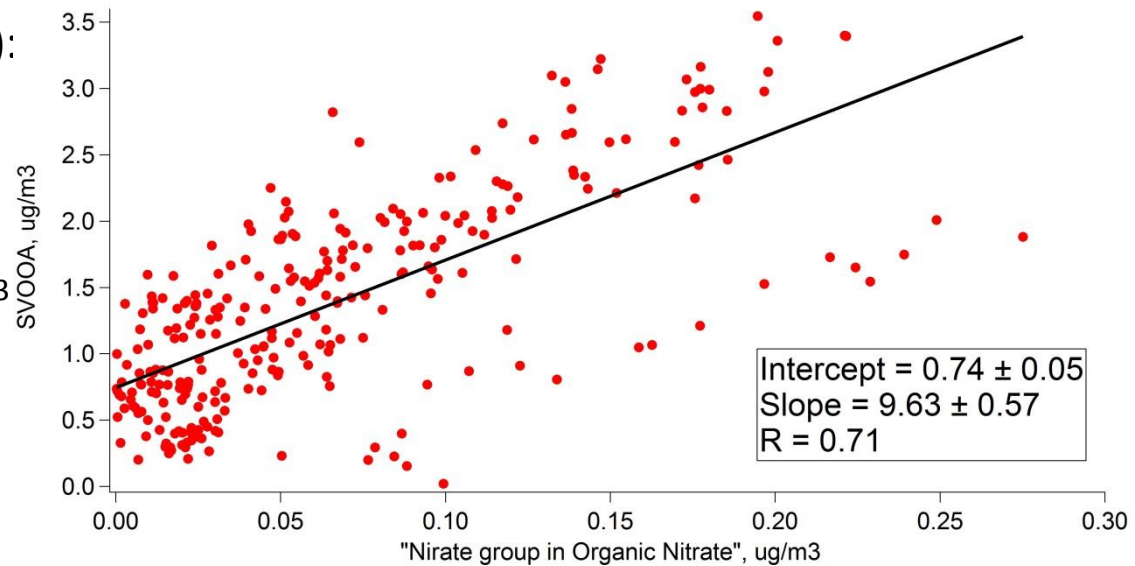
Production

# Effects of $\text{NO}_x$ on SVOOA formation



- SVOOA is the only factor with nighttime production.
- $\text{NO}_2 + \text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{NO}_3$  (major oxidant at night)

- Concurrent chamber studies (GT): SOA yield of beta-pinene+ $\text{NO}_3$  is  $\sim 70\%$  and the molar fraction of organic nitrate is up to 80%
- Estimate ON based on ( $\text{AMS\_NO}_3 - \text{PILS-IC\_NO}_3$ )
- SVOOA has a strong association with "ON"  $\rightarrow \text{NO}_3$  (originating from  $\text{NO}_x$ ) affects SVOOA formation





# Conclusions

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- Submicron non-refractory PM<sub>1</sub> in SOAS dominated by organics (67%), followed by SO<sub>4</sub> (26%).
- All OA factors are correlated with at least one anthropogenic component.
- (22%) IEPOX\_OA: Water and acidity are important, but not limiting IEPOX\_OA in US SE (highly acidic and abundant water). IEPOX\_OA formation is greatly and directly regulated by SO<sub>4</sub> (e.g., nucleophile, salting-in effect).
- (26%) SVOOA: likely originates from monoterpenes, and its formation could be controlled by nighttime NO<sub>3</sub> chemistry (NO<sub>x</sub> effect).

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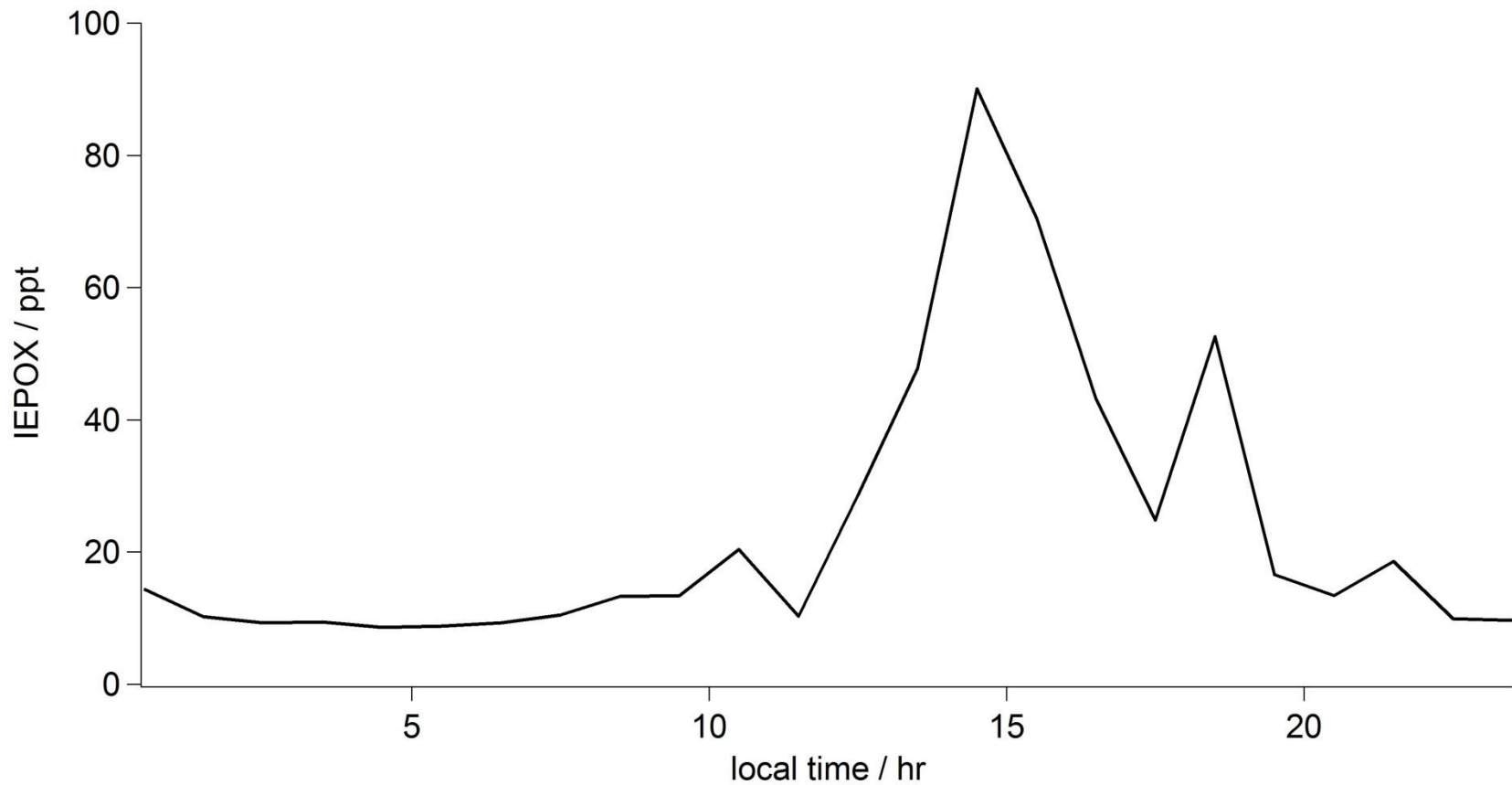
**NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>4</sub> together can potentially control at least 46% of the total organic aerosols measured at SOAS**

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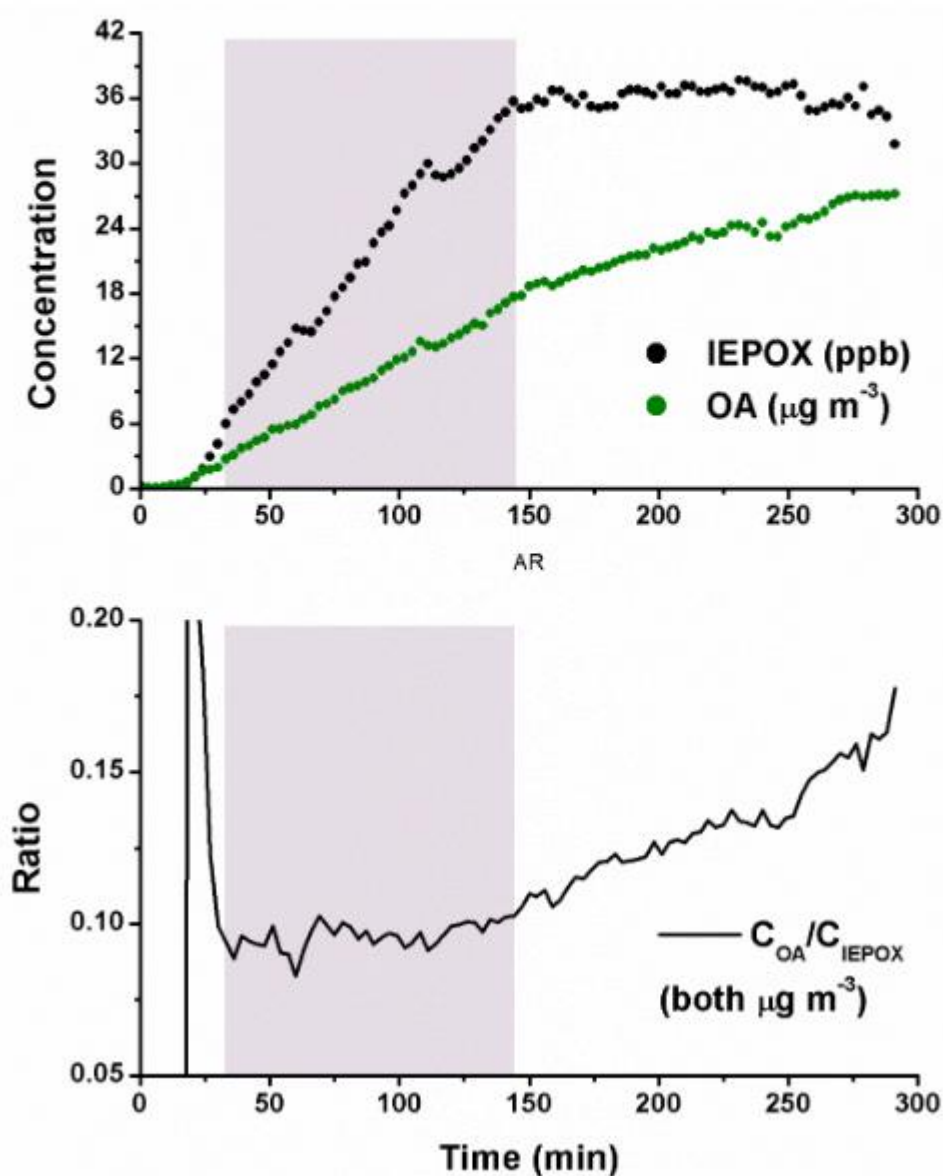
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100ppt IEPOX = 0.5ug/m<sup>3</sup> IEPOX  
OA/IEPOX = 0.2

1 **Figure S3:** Top panel: OA grows in response to IEPOX gas-phase injection, but continues to  
2 grow after halting IEPOX injection, an indication that the system is not at equilibrium. Bottom  
3 panel: the ratio of the OA to gas-phase IEPOX starts off noisy and levels out as IEPOX is  
4 injected. The ratio continues to grow as gas-phase IEPOX stabilizes and OA continues to grow.  
5 The shaded panel where the ratio levels out is used in  $\Phi_{\text{OA/IEPOX}}$  calculations.

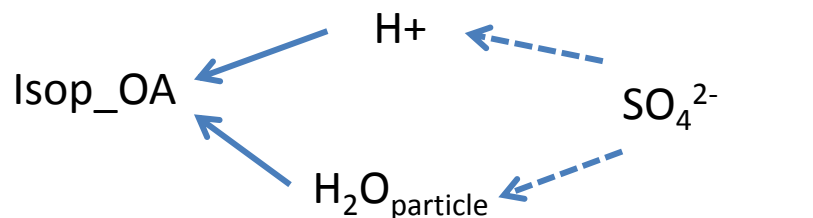


# Effect of SO4 on Isop\_OA formation:

## -- Multivariate Linear Regression

Reduced model

$$\text{Isop\_OA} = \text{intercept} + B1*\text{H2O} + B2*\text{acid}$$



R<sup>2</sup> = 0.24

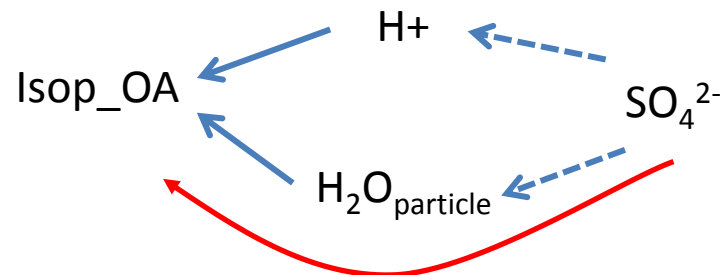
Variable	parameter estimate	Standard error	t Value	P value
Intercept	0.065	0.172	0.38	0.7041
H2O	0.142	0.012	11.94	<0.0001
H+	0.333	0.081	4.12	<0.0001

↑  
expected change in Isop\_OA per unit change in water holding everything else constant

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Statistical significance < 5% → significant

Full model

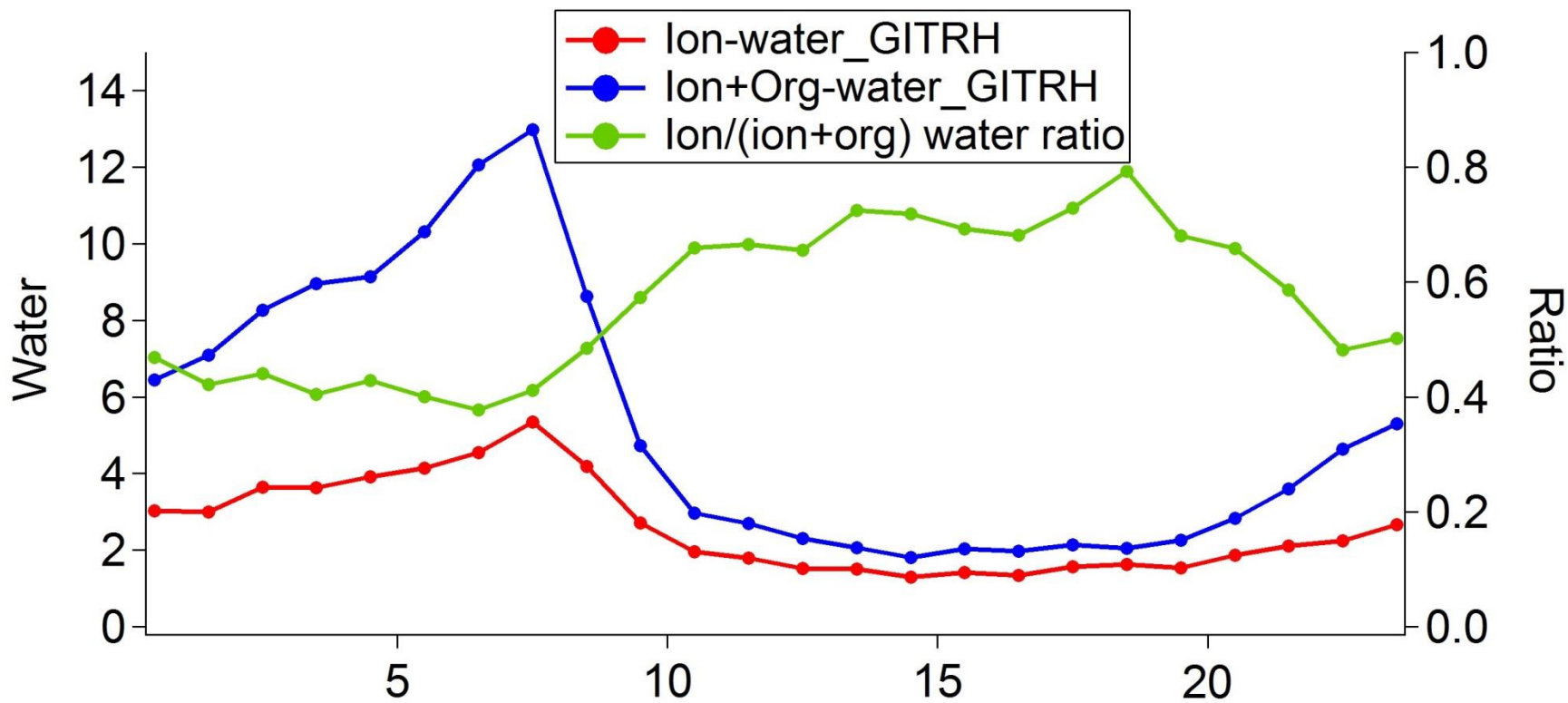
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Adding SO4 in the model changes the association between water and Isop\_OA →  
SO4 → water → Isop\_OA << SO4 → Isop\_OA



- I'd remove slide 2 (general characteristics of organics) - you can briefly mention it when presenting slide #3. slide 14, 15 (put for support slides). Slide 12,18 can also be removed, intermediate conclusions are good for a longer talk. Just summarize with the current conclusions slide you have at the end - it is great actually as is. With these deletions, you have 15 slides counting the cover and thank you slides. That means 13 slides, where you can really present the results carefully and with sufficiently slow pace. This has to be done for people to soak all the results in: less is more.

# Use organic water only

## Linear Regression Results

The REG Procedure  
Model: Linear\_Regression\_Model  
Dependent Variable: IsopOA

Number of Observations Read	503
Number of Observations Used	503

Analysis of Variance					
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	3	324.71569	108.23856	304.66	<.0001
Error	499	177.28487	0.35528		
Corrected Total	502	502.00056			

Root MSE	0.59605	R-Square	0.6468
Dependent Mean	0.00000300	Adj R-Sq	0.6447
Coeff Var	19870176		

Parameter Estimates					
Variable	DF	Parameter Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	1	0.00000462	0.02658	0.00	0.9999
SO4	1	0.81580	0.02837	28.76	<.0001
water	1	0.03013	0.02762	1.09	0.2758
H	1	-0.04928	0.02909	-1.69	0.0909

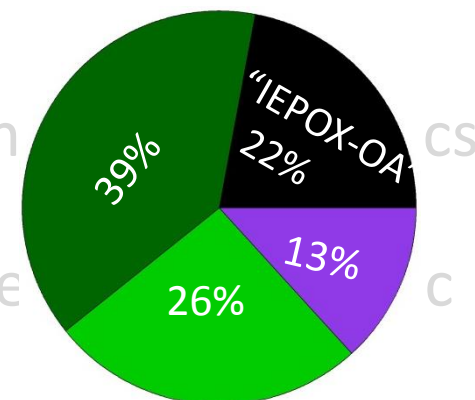


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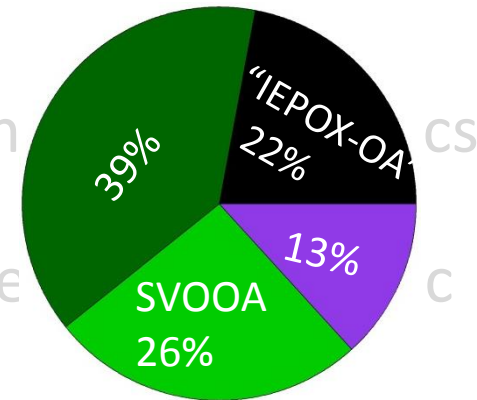
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