

Airborne Measurements of Microdust

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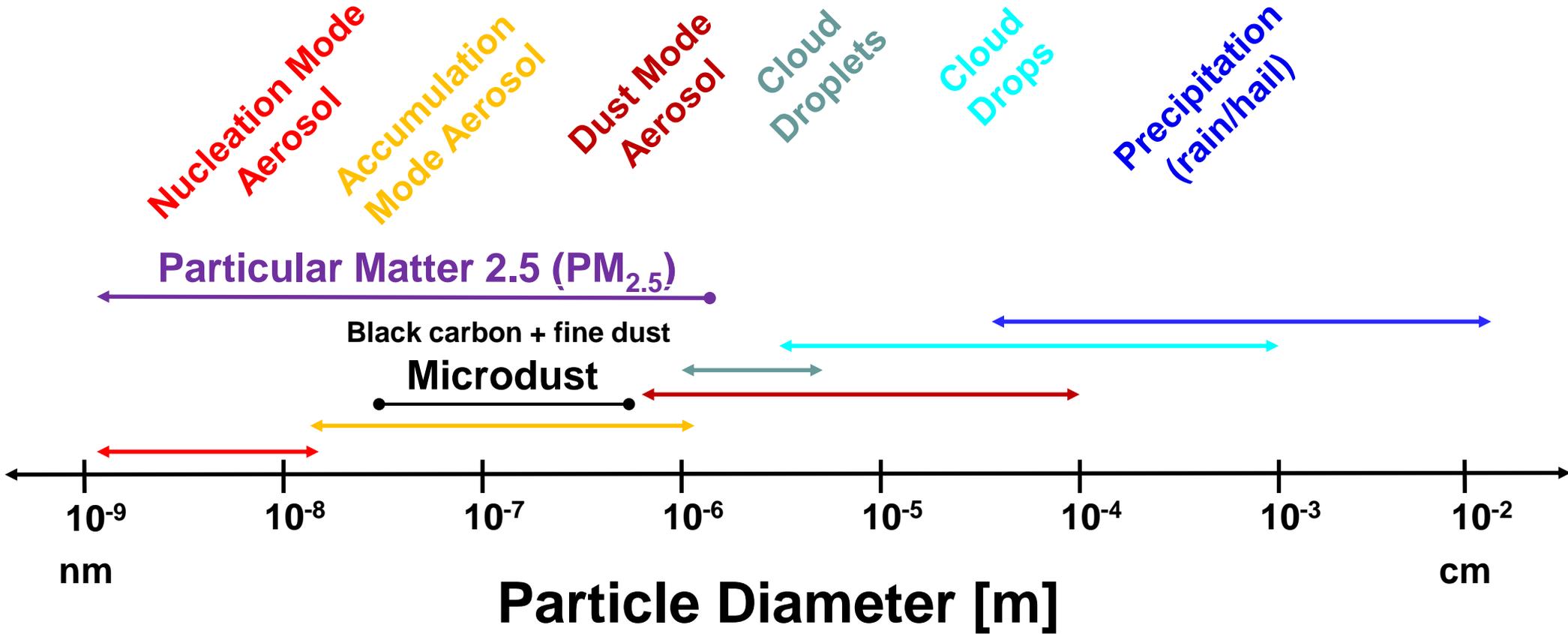
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Measurements for Improved Air Quality

- Review our knowledge of microdust, clouds, and precipitation.
- Define the sources and sinks of microdust, including removal by clouds and precipitation.
- Airborne measurements fill gaps in surface measurements and allow source and removal processes to be understood.

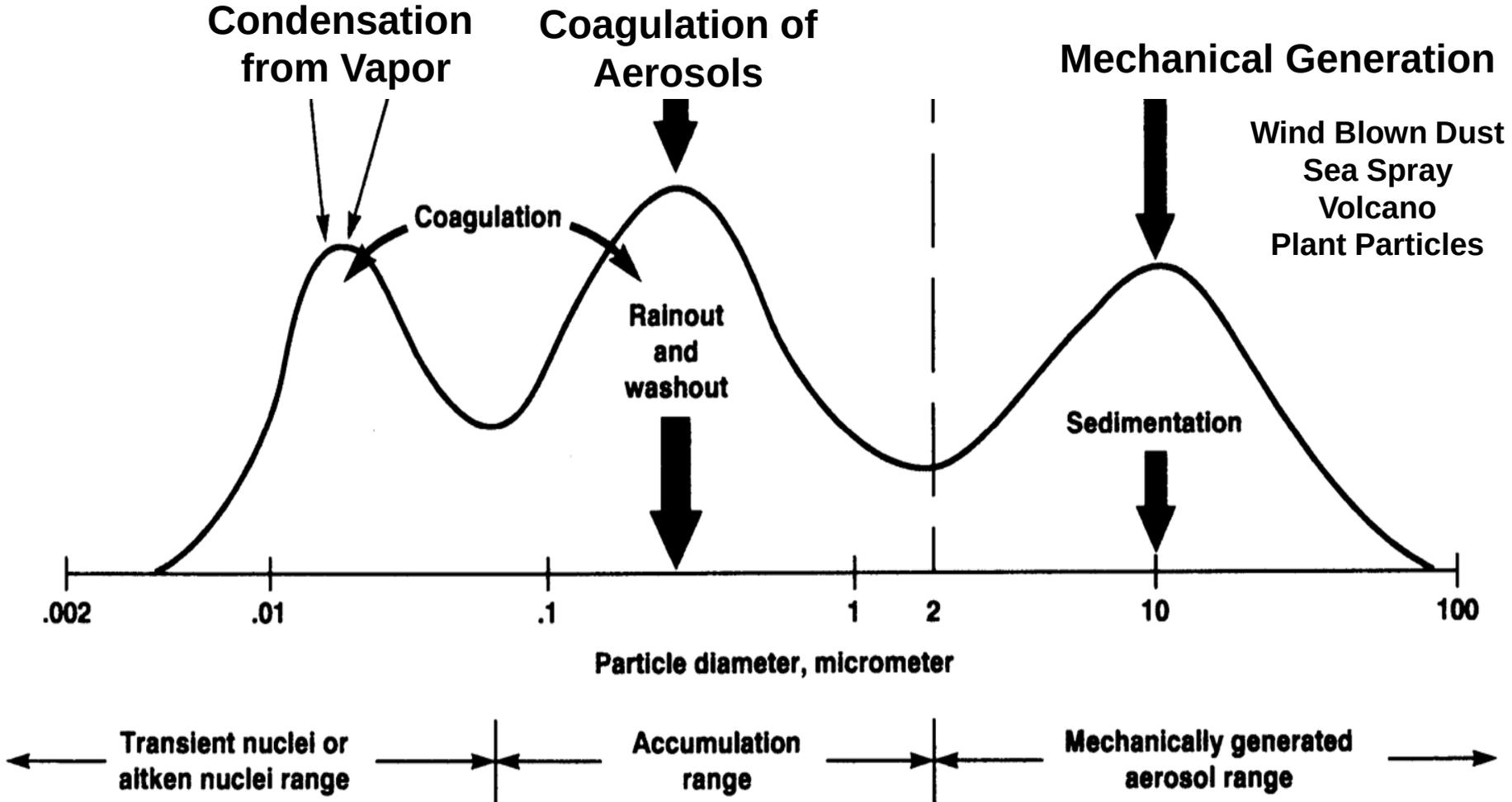


Classification of Particles



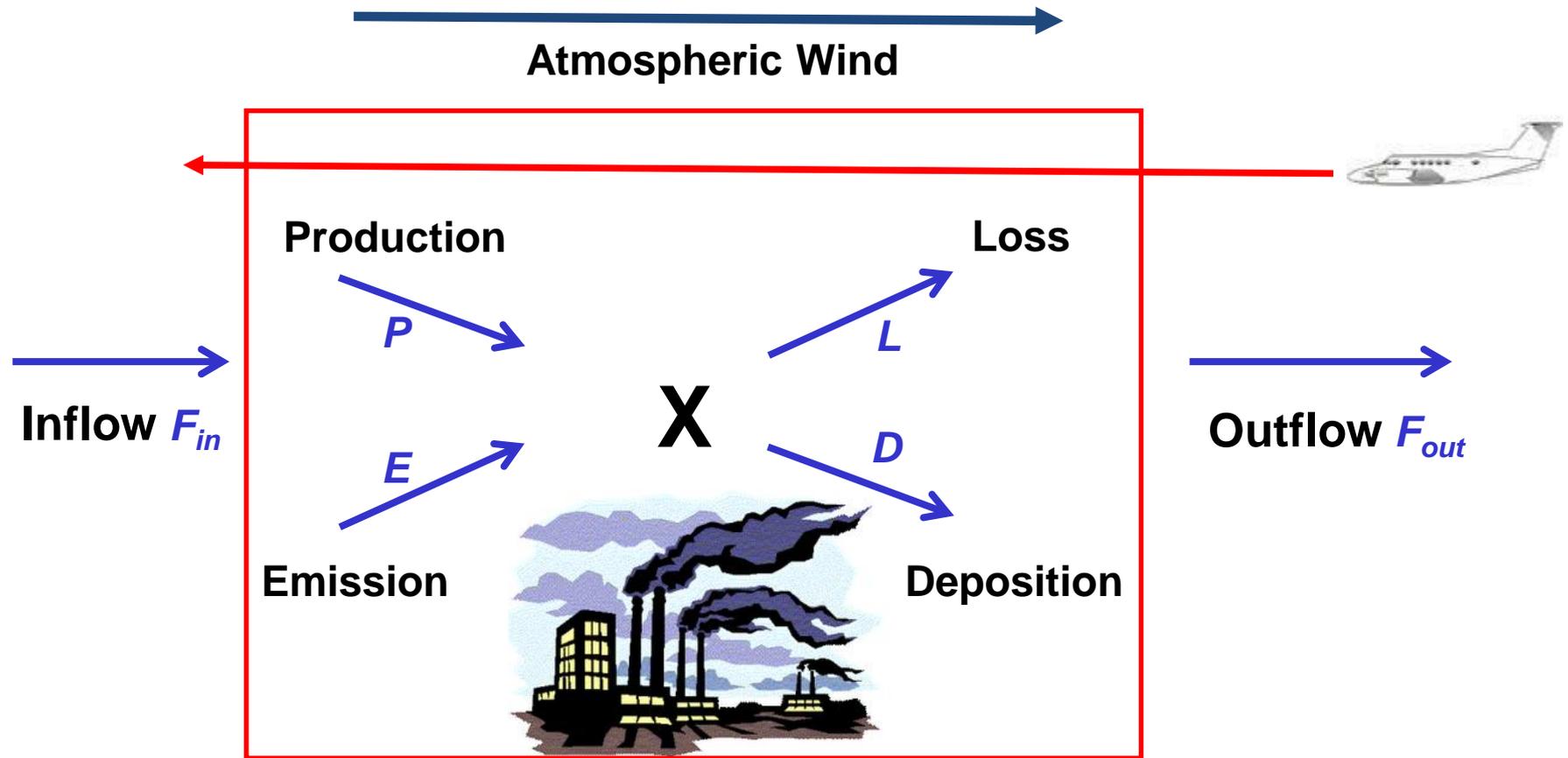
Precipitation and atmospheric mixing reduces particles (PM_{2.5}).

Sources and Sinks of Particles



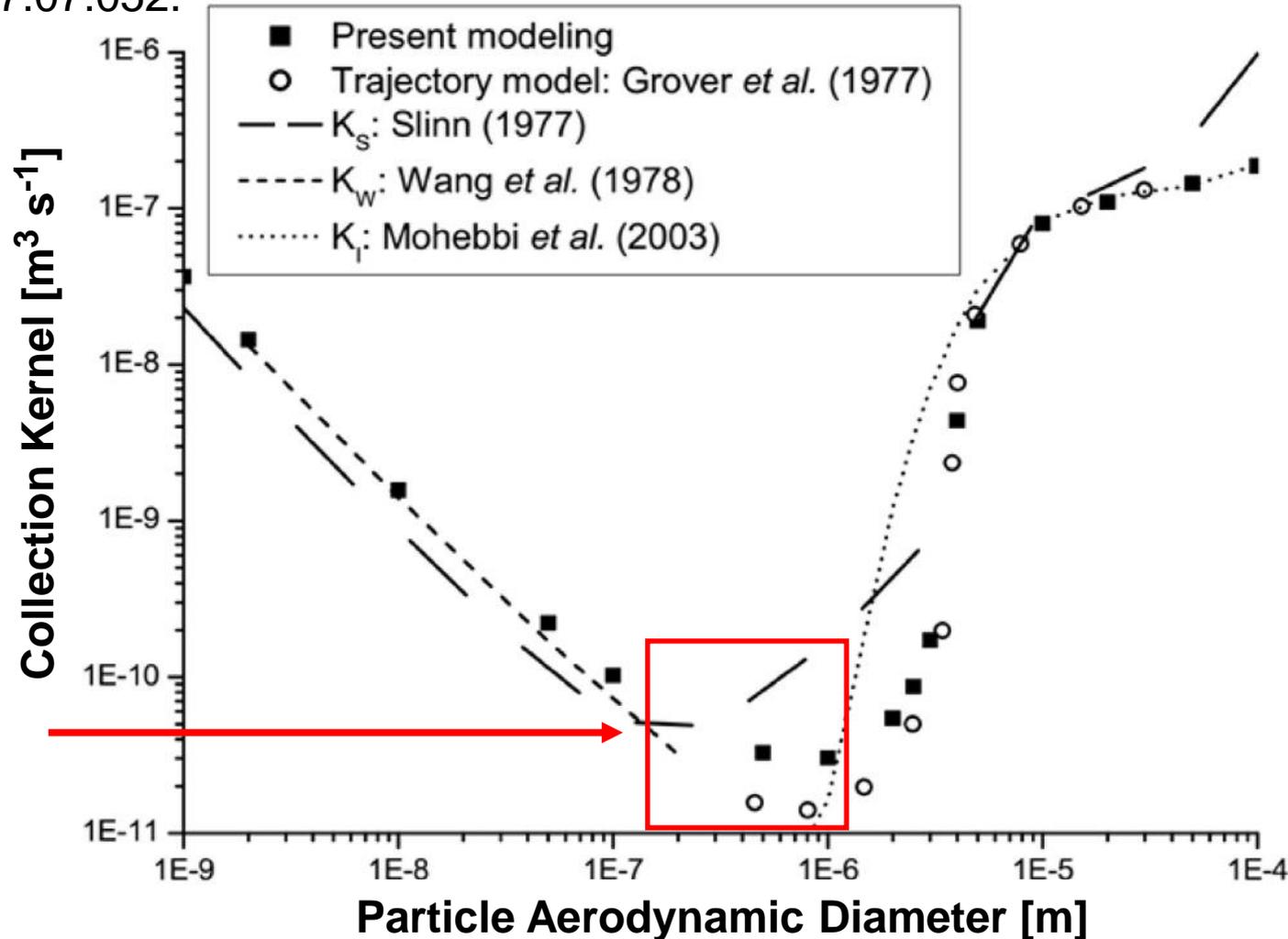
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Airborne Measures for Microdust Source



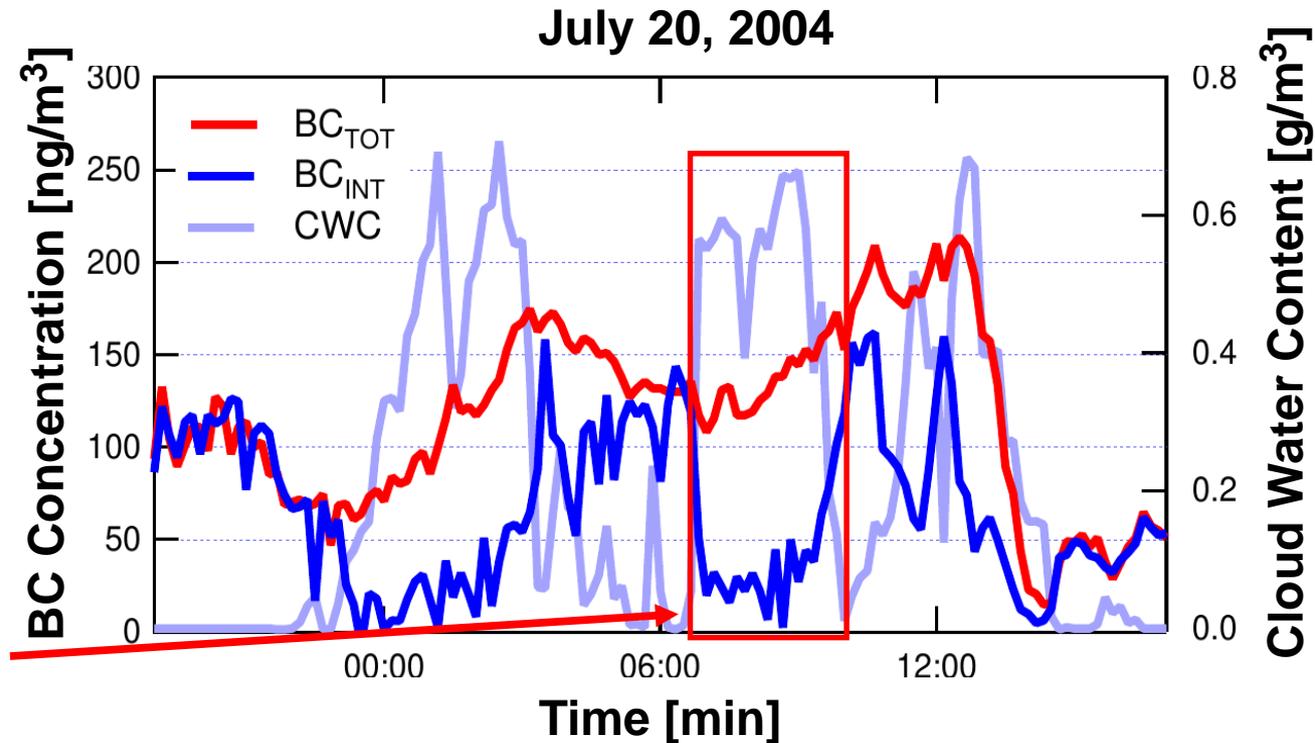
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- Modeling of droplet scavenging (removal) of aerosols.
- Fig. 6 – Collection kernel values at $Re_d = 30$ and $H = 0$ as a function of particle aerodynamic diameter. Here $K_w = K_B$ because of the null value of H .
- **Microdust of 0.1 to 1 μm in diameter are not removed as effectively as larger or smaller sized particles.**



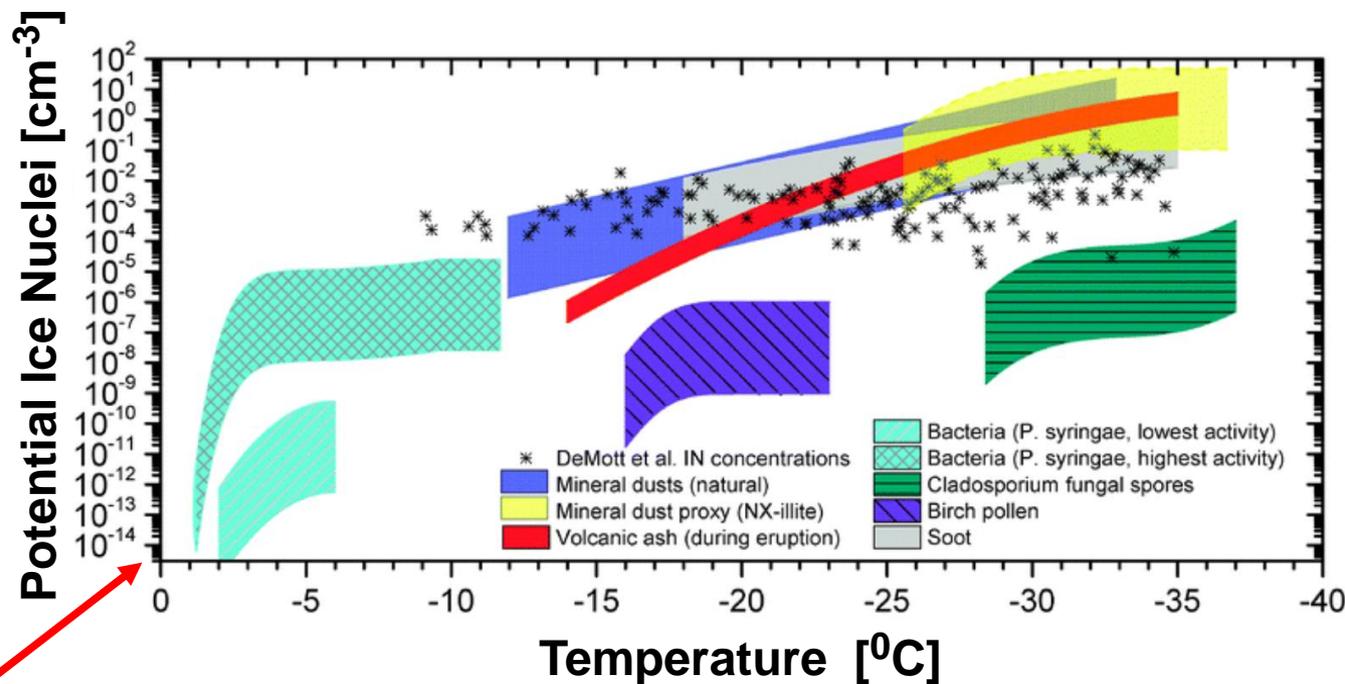
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- Black carbon (BC) microdust is scavenged (removed) as effectively as other microdust, which indicates that black carbon microdust is covered with soluble material.
- Fig. 2 – Temporal evolution of the total and interstitial black carbon concentrations along with the temporal evolution of the cloud water content (CWC) for a liquid cloud (i.e., no ice phase).
- **Microdust, including Black Carbon (pollution), is incorporated into cloud droplets.**



Murray, B. J., D. O'Sullivan, J. D. Atkinson, and M. E. Webb, 2012: Ice nucleation by particles immersed in supercooled cloud droplets. *Chem. Soc. Rev.*, 41, 6519–6554, doi:10.1039/C2CS35200A.

- Mineral dust, biological species, and carbonaceous combustion produced particles immersed within supercooled water droplets nucleate the formation of ice.

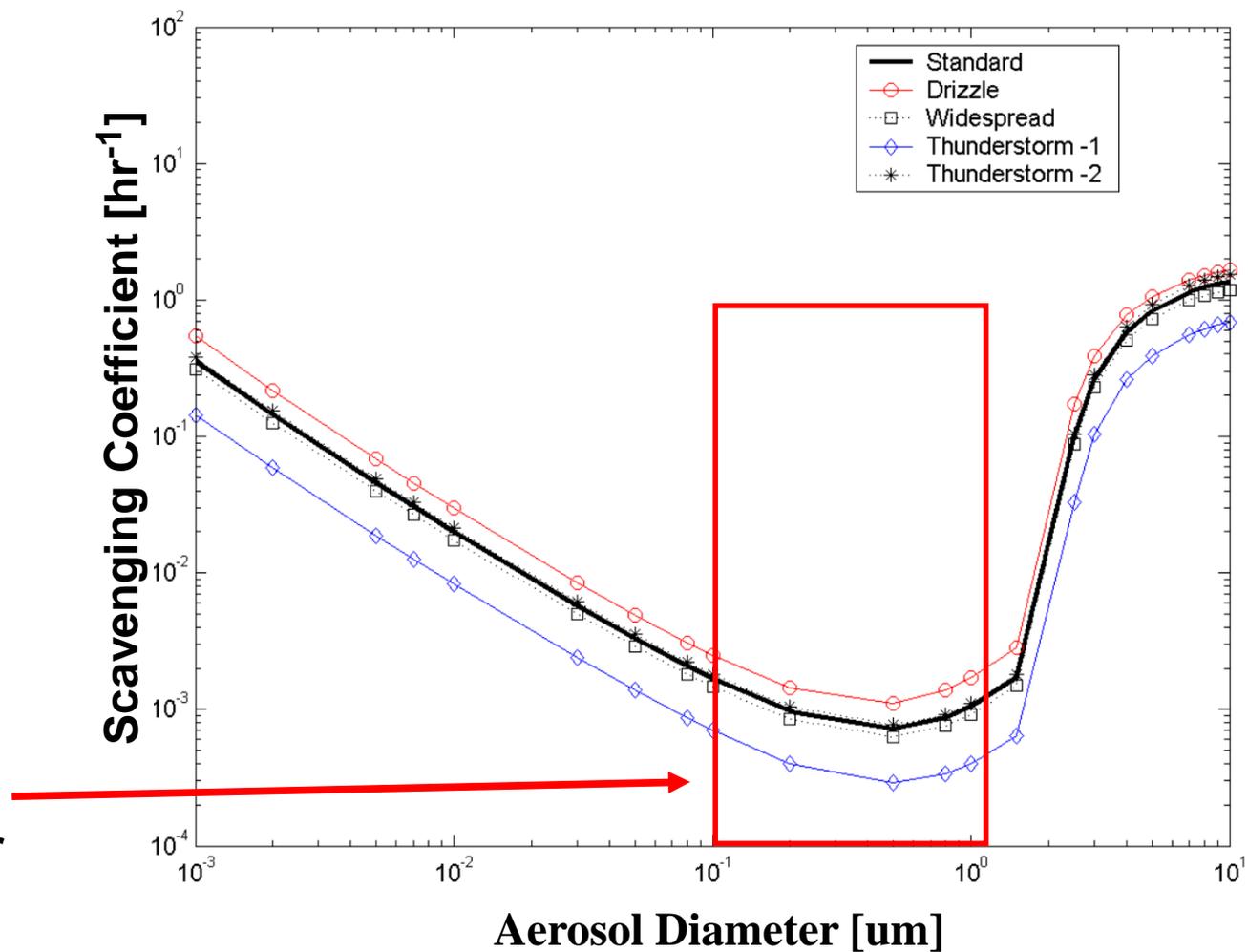


- **The atmosphere lacks microdust that nucleates ice at warm temperatures.**

Fig. 19 – Potential immersion mode ice nuclei concentrations as a function of temperature for a range of atmospheric aerosol species. Calculations performed using concentrations of different particle sizes.

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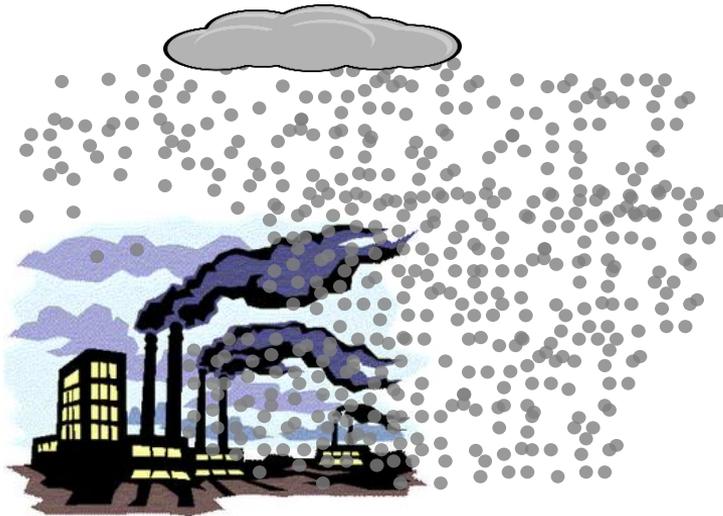
- Below-cloud scavenging (removal) of microdust by rainfall increases with rainfall rate and has a significant dependence on particle size.
- Fig. 3B – Scavenging coefficient $L(dp)$ versus aerosol diameter for the same raindrop size distributions. The plots are for rain rate of (R) of 1 mm hr^{-1} .
- **Microdust of 0.1 to 1.0 μm in diameter are not removed by rainfall as effectively as larger or smaller sized particles.**



Airborne Measurements for Microduct Sink

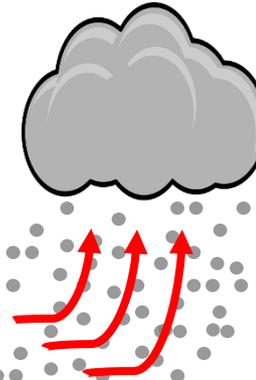
Low Precipitation

Temperature Inversion
(Traps Pollution)



High Precipitation

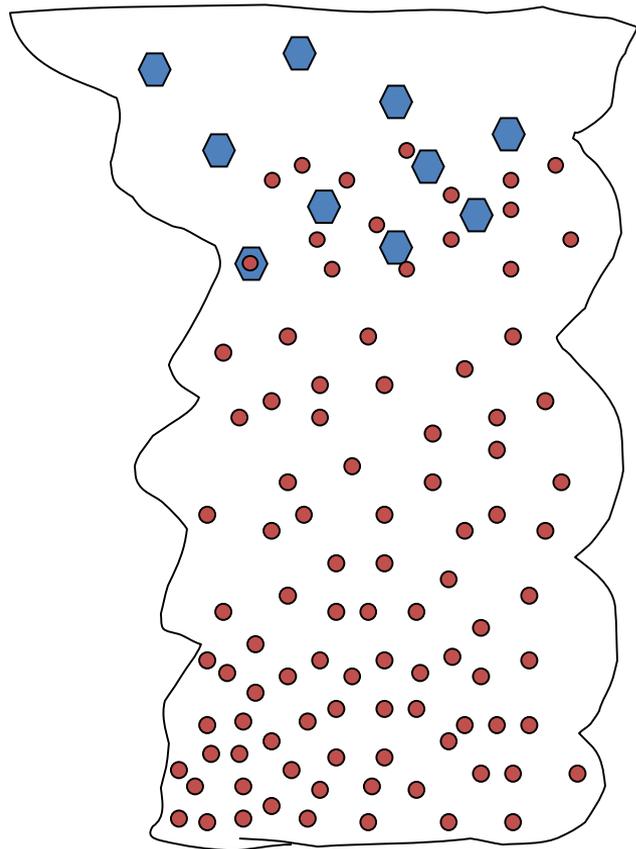
Activation



Scavenging

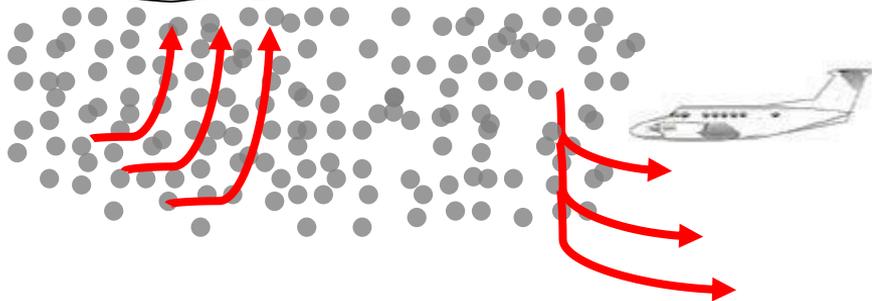


Evaluating the Removal of Microdust



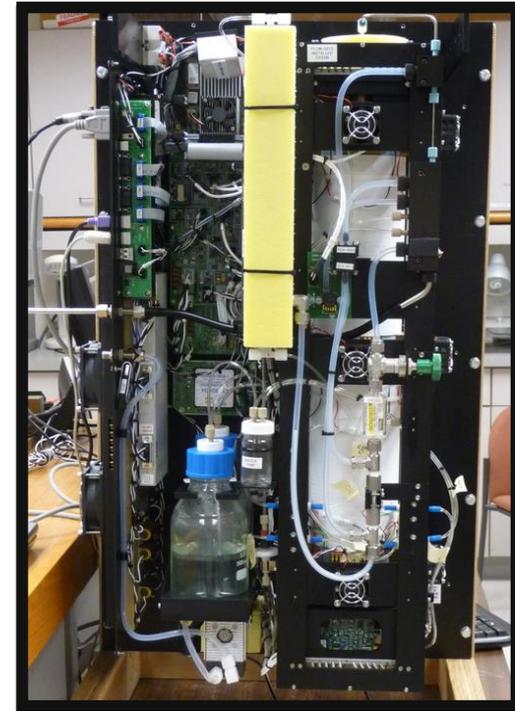
Δ CCN and/or Δ IN \rightarrow \uparrow Precipitation \rightarrow \downarrow Microdust

- Comparison of microdust at cloud base prior to precipitation and after precipitation.
- Compare microdust upwind and downwind of precipitating clouds.
- Measure changes in cloud properties due to difference in cloud base microdust concentrations.

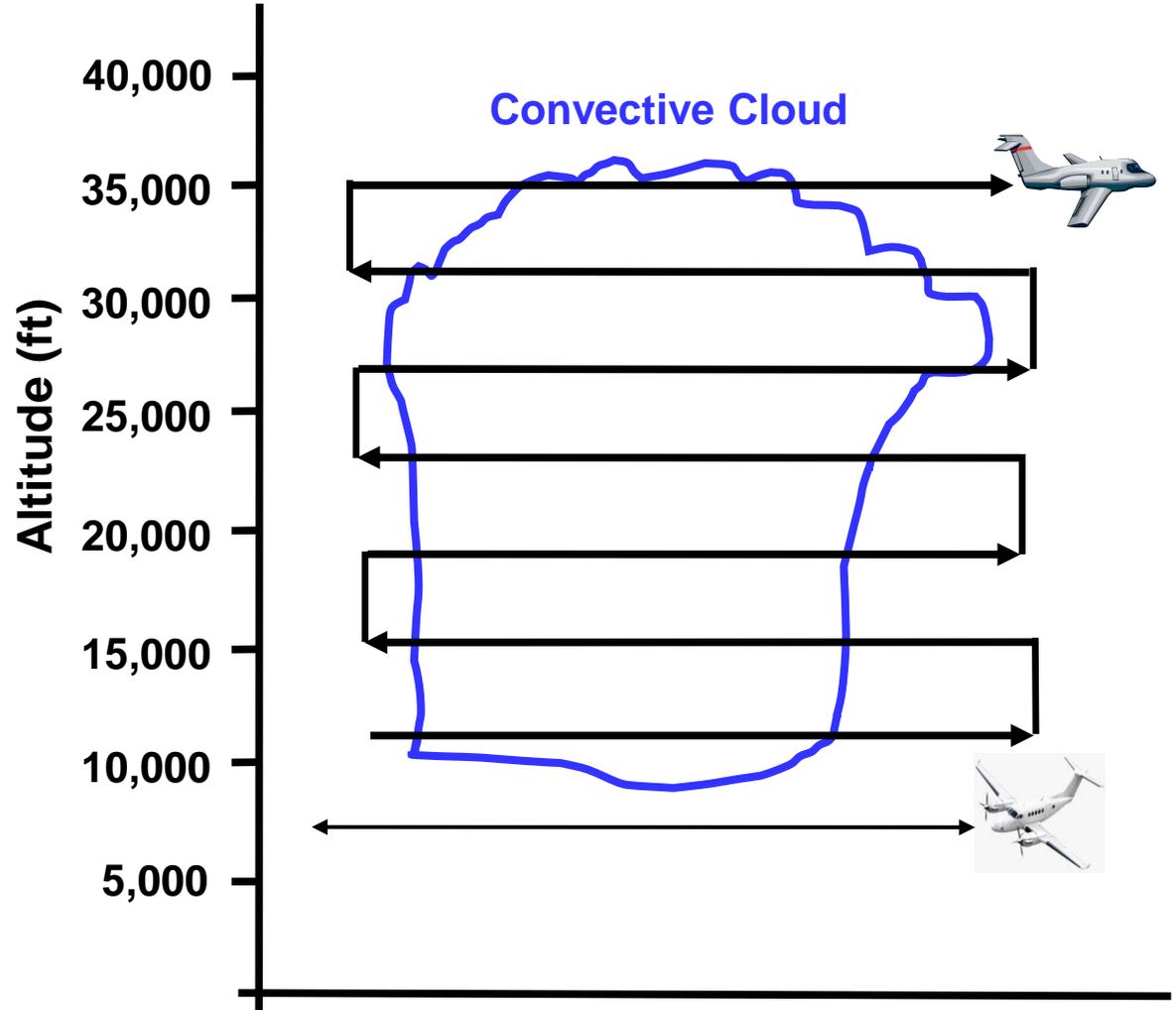


Korean Specific Measurements Required

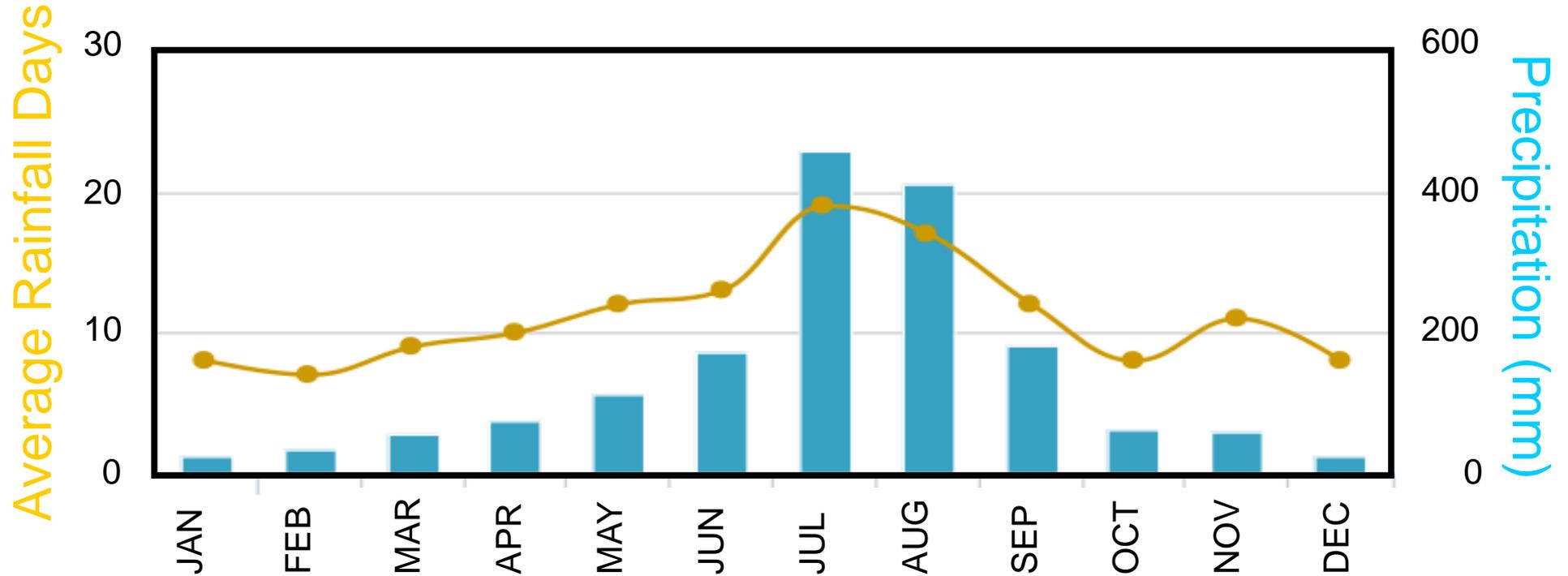
- The concentration of aerosols (cloud condensation nuclei and microdust) related to clouds and precipitation development on the Korean Peninsula.
- Microdust impact on the ability of clouds to produce large drops and ice particles.
- Microdust impact on the temperature of ice formation in clouds.
- What are the commonalities and differences between urban and rural clouds?



Aircraft Observations



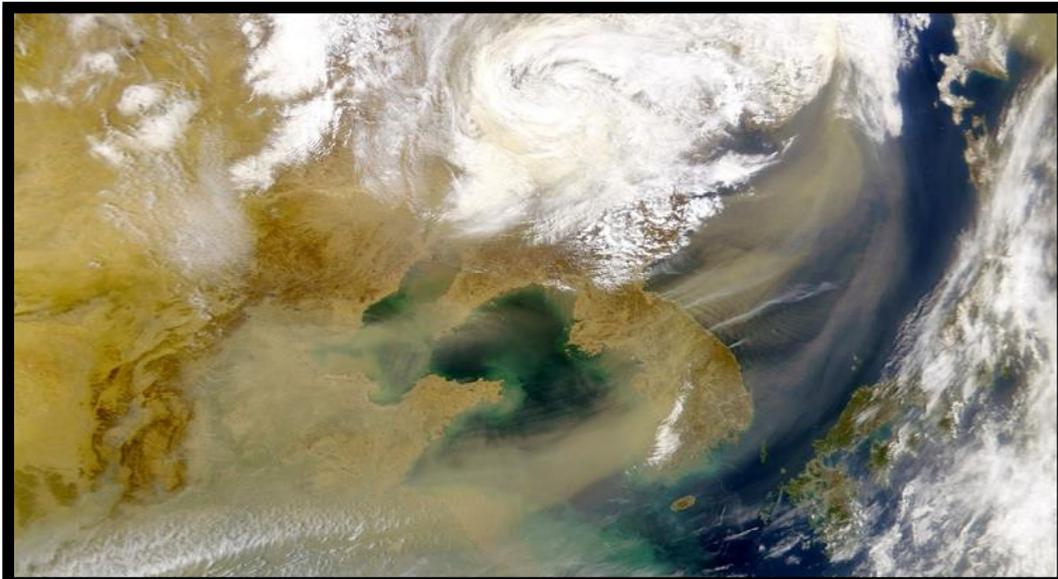
Seoul Average Rainfall (mm)



Late Spring (May/June) and Early Fall (Sep/Oct)
Important Time Periods for Field Measurements.

Summary and Conclusions

- Measurements are key to understanding changes in the amount of Microdust.
- Measurement are necessary for determining sources.
- Precipitation and air mixing reduces microdust (sink).



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