#### Intro to Particulate Matter

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#### What we'll cover



• "A" introduction to the health effects of pollution



• "B" the chemical constituents that make up clean and polluted air



 "C" the processes that control concentrations in the atmosphere (emissions, chemical transformation, physical transformation, and meteorology)

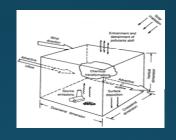


 "D" Measurement and categorization of air quality – the Air Quality Index

# "A" introduction to the health effects of pollution







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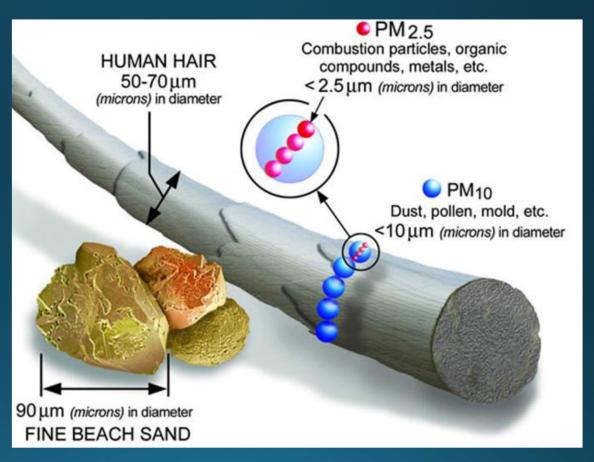


# "Clean" vs. "Not Clean" is Defined by U.S. Law & Regulations

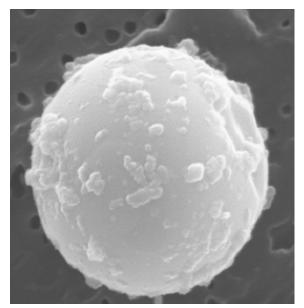
- Clean Air Act
  - Requires the U.S. EPA to establish health-based standards for criteria pollutants
  - National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) (referred to as "Standards")
- NAAQS are set in order to protect the public health and welfare
  - Particulate Matter, Ozone, Lead, Carbon Monoxide (CO), Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)
  - Particulate matter (PM) broken into two size fractions
    - PM10
    - PM2.5

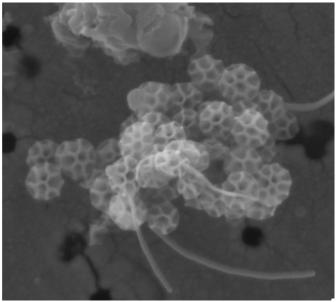
#### PM 2.5 Health Effects

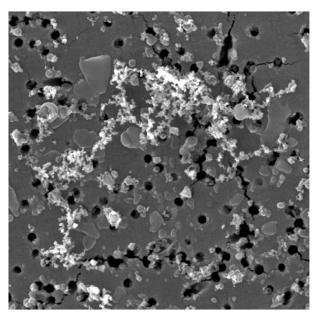
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- Active Adults
- People with heart & lung disease

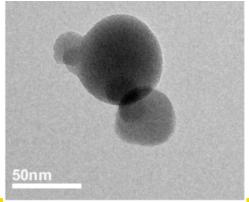


## What are Atmospheric Aerosol Particles What is "Particulate Matter" (PM)?



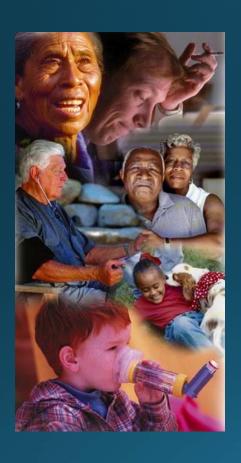






SEM Images: Gary Casuccio, R.J. Lee Group, Monroeville, PA; Sylvia Lee Joun, University of Iowa

#### Some Groups Are More at Risk



- People with heart or lung disease
  - Conditions make them vulnerable
- Older adults
  - Greater prevalence of heart and lung disease
- Children
  - More likely to be active
  - Breathe more air per pound
  - Bodies still developing

#### USC Children's Health Study

- Between about 1995 and 2008, in 6 LA communities studied by Gauderman et al.
  - the average NO2 level decreased by 14 ppb
  - PM2.5 concentrations decreased by about 13 ug/m3
  - PM10 concentrations decreased by about 9 ug/m3
- In the 1990's the study looked at lung capacity in 11-yr old children and then followed these children with followup measurements until they were 15
- This was repeated in ~2008 with a new group of 11-15 year olds
- Comparisons are possible between clean and dirty communities
- Comparisons are possible between the same communities in the polluted state of the 1990s and the clean state of the 2000s

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- (p values < 0.001)
- Also
  - in the recent groups of children, fewer children have doctor-diagnosed low lung capacity. Results hold true across race/ethnicity, community, and asthma/inhaler use status.
  - Growth of children is not accelerated overall. Lung capacity does not predict height.

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#### PM<sub>2.5</sub> is Regulated Because

- PM<sub>2.5</sub> is linked in dozens of studies (both long and short term) to:
  - Symptom aggravation and/or death from cardiac diseases:
    - Cardiac arrhythmias, angina, and cardiac arrest, heart disease
  - Hospital admissions and/or death from respiratory diseases
    - Lung disease, emphysema, Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), asthma
  - Progression of atherosclerosis (hardening of arteries)
  - Changes in lung and blood chemistry and biology consistent with many of the above diseases
  - Work absence, disability, and medication use for the above diseases
- And possibly
  - Low birthweight, developmental problems in children, diabetes, neurogegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's

#### What are the Standards?

- Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) NAAQS
  - Fine particulate matter first regulated in 1997 (and the limits were 15 and 65, respectively)
  - The 24-hour standard was revised in 2006
  - The Annual standard was revised in 2012

	2012 Standards	
	Annual	24-hour
PM <sub>2.5</sub> (Fine Particles)	12 μg/m3 Annual arithmetic mean, averaged over 3 years	35 µg/m³ 24- hour average, 98 <sup>th</sup> percentile, averaged over 3 years

## Mentimeter Q1

## PM<sub>2.5</sub> is Regulated Because It Causes Disease and Death

Pictorial representation of disability-adjusted years of life lost due to various causes

Non-communicable diseases

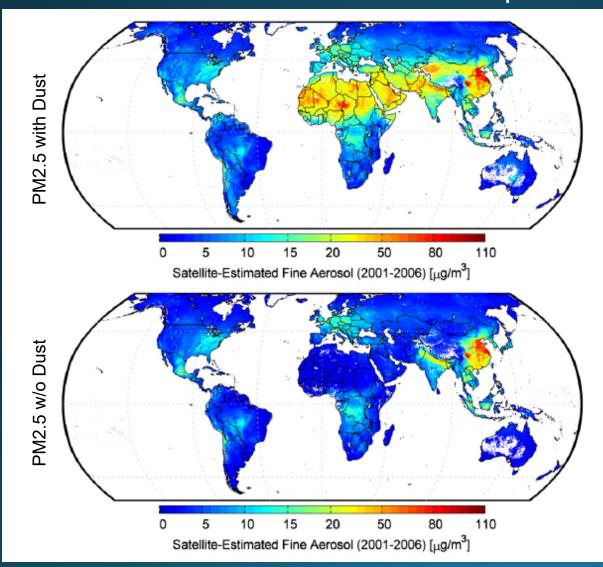
i Both sexes, All ages, 2015, DALYs attributable to Ambient particulate matter pollution Congenital IHD Stroke Lung C Liver LRI NN Preterm NN Enceph Breast DALY<sub>5</sub> attributable to risk Skin HTN HD RHD HIV Iron Alzheimer Drugs Hemog Schiz Malaria ASD Bipolar STD Anxiety **DALYs** CKD not attributable to ID risk Falls ਜ਼ੋਂ Road Inj PUD Back+Neck Oth MSK COPD Drown Self Harm Violence Mech

Communicable, maternal, neonatal, and nutritional disorders

Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME). **GBD Compare**. Seattle, WA: IHME, University of Washington, 2015. Available from http://vizhub.healthdata.org/gbdcompare. (Accessed Jan 2016)

Injuries

## Globally, aerosol concentrations are estimated by a combination of satellites and computer simulations

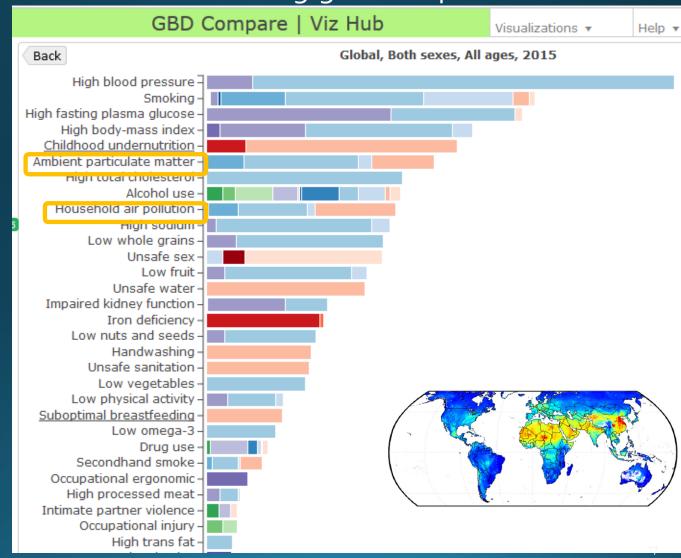


Evans et al. Environmental Research (2013).

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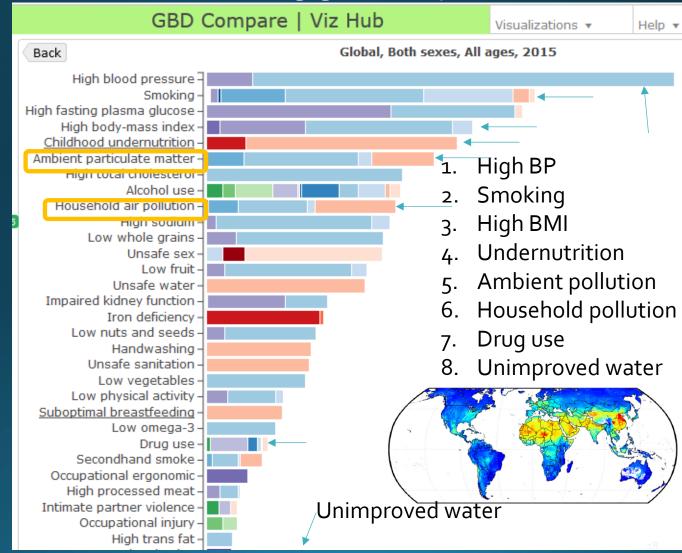
See van Donkelaar et al. (2010) Environmental Health Perspectives for PM2.5 method

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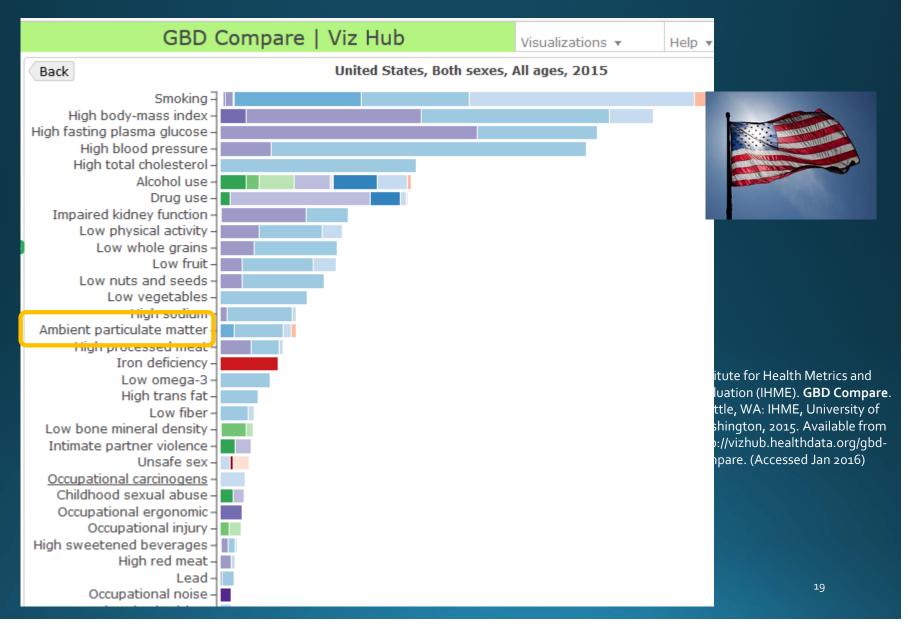
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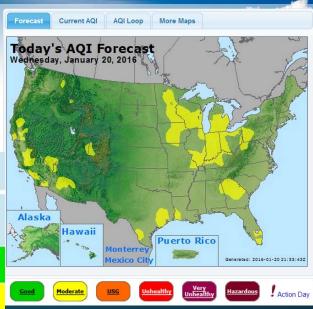
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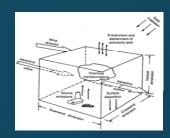
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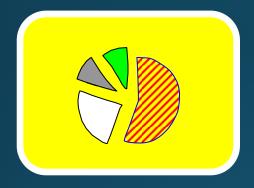


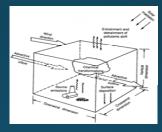
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- The Clean Air Act sets standards for the concentration of 6 pollutants ozone (O<sub>3</sub>), lead, sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), Carbon Monoxide (CO), and Particulate Matter (PM)
  - PM is divided into two size classifications PM2.5, and PM10
- There are significant respiratory and cardiovascular health benefits to low PM and significant risks to high PM
- The health effects of PM are robust and are supported by the number of studies that have found association, and the <u>variation in the types</u> of studies (long term, short term, natural experiment, case crossover, biomarkers, lung function, etc.)
- Globally, ambient and household Air Pollution are the #6 and #9 largest causes of disability and death

## "B" chemical constituents that make up clean and polluted air







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#### Classification of Major Air Pollutants

- NAAQSs
  - Six Criteria Pollutants [Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), Ozone, Sulfur Dioxide,
     Carbon Monoxide, Lead, PM]
  - Non-Criteria Pollutants
- Chemical Properties
  - Inorganic
  - Organic
- Chemical Groups
  - Sulfur-Containing Compounds (SO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)
  - Nitrogen-Containing Compounds (NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, HNO<sub>3</sub>)
  - Carbon-Containing Compounds (CH<sub>4</sub>, Alkanes, Alkenes, Alcohols)
  - Halogen-Containing Compounds (CFCs, CH<sub>3</sub>Cl, CH<sub>3</sub>Br)
  - Atmospheric Oxidants (O<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, OH radical, NO<sub>3</sub> radical)
  - PM (sulfate, nitrate, OC, EC, dust, sea-salt)
  - Air Toxics (Lead, Mercury, Asbestos, Dioxins, Benzene)
- Residence Time (or Lifetime)
  - Long-Lived Species (CFCs, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O)
  - Moderately Long-Lived Species (CO, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, PM, Tropospheric Ozone)
  - Short-Lived Species (Radicals: OH, NO<sub>3</sub>, HO<sub>2</sub>)

Credit: Yang Zhang, NC State

#### O<sub>3</sub>: Good Up High and Bad Nearby

- Tropospheric Ozone (ground-level) Bad, it is harmful to breathe and it damages crops, trees and other vegetation
- Stratospheric Ozone Good, it protects life on Earth from the sun's harmful ultraviolet (UV) rays

NAAQS: 65 ppb

Source: http://www.epa.gov/oar/oaqps/gooduphigh/ozone.html#good Credit: Yang Zhang, NC State











Many different sources contribute to air pollution



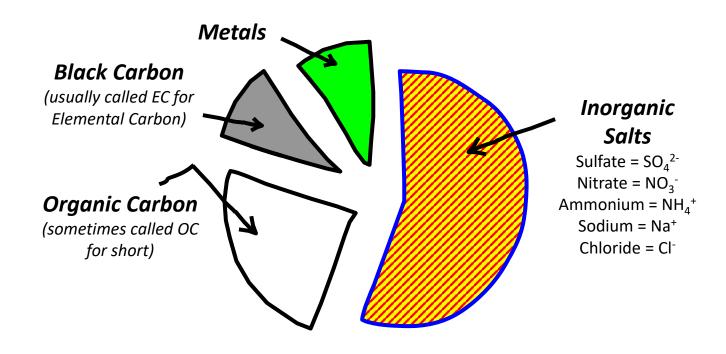






Source: Jim McGraw, IDNR

#### Typical Chemical Makeup



#### #1 Chemical Contribution = "Salts"



**Ammonium Nitrate** 



**Ammonium Sulfate** 

- Formed IN THE ATMOSPHERE called <u>Secondary</u> Particulate Matter
- Ultimate sources
  - Ammonia
  - Nitrogen Oxides (NOx, NO and Mage Sources
  - Sulfur Dioxide www.hottdealss.com/Ammonium%20nitrate.html www.irmteam.com/html/prod 210024sfluid.html

#### #2 Chemical Contribution = Carbonaceous Materials







Organic Carbon (OC)



Black Carbon (EC)

- Primary and Secondary
- Ultimate Sources: Incomplete Combustion, Solvent and Fuel Vapors, Vegetation

- Primary
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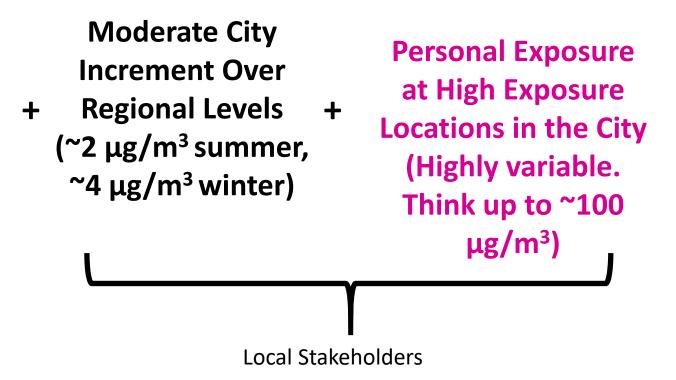
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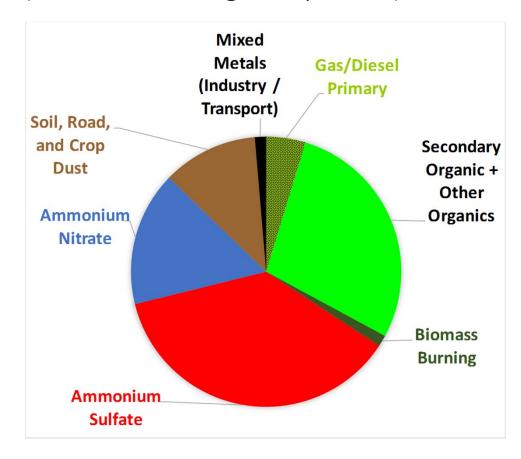
PM2.5 Species	Primary or Secondary?	Notes
Nitrate	Secondary	#1 in winter Ultimate source: NOx from combustion
Organic Carbon (OC)	Secondary and Primary	#2 year round Variety of sources
Sulfate	Secondary	#1 in summer Ultimate source: Sulfur dioxide (SO2) from combustion
Ammonium	Characteristics of both secondary and primary	Important year round Ultimate source: ammonia gas emissions from fertilizer, manure, automobiles, and wastewater
Metals	Primary	Road and soil dust; Combustion; Industrial emissions; Tire and brake wear
Black Carbon (EC)	Primary	Incomplete Combustion

#### Where does PM come from and how to reduce it?

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(21 µg/m³)

Clean Air Act / State of Iowa / EPA

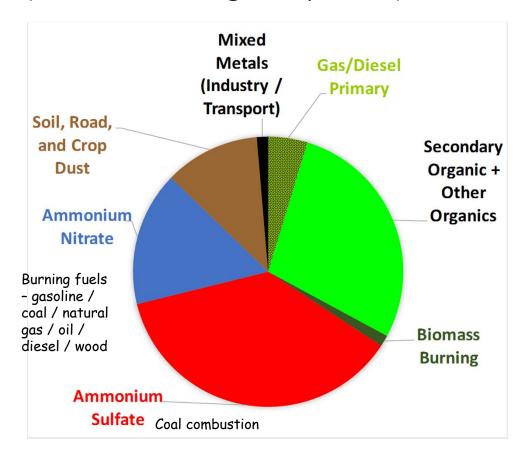




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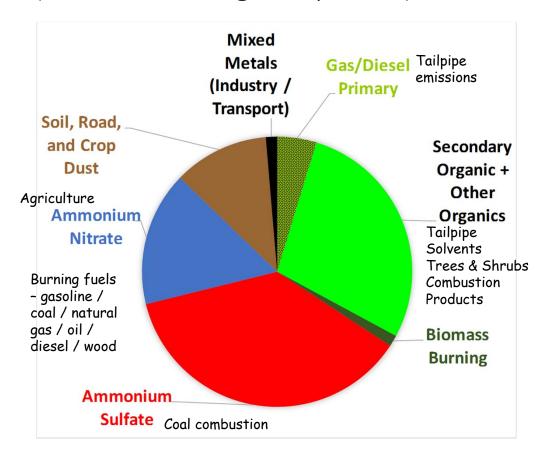




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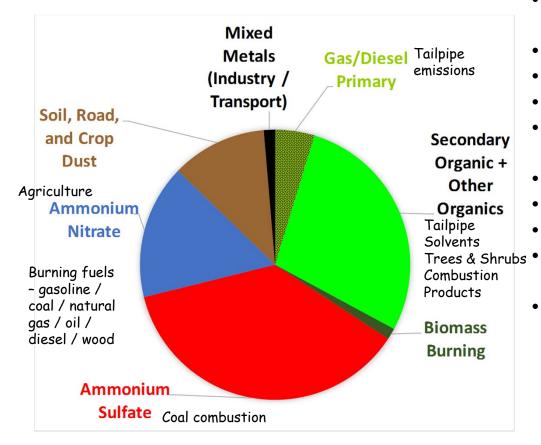




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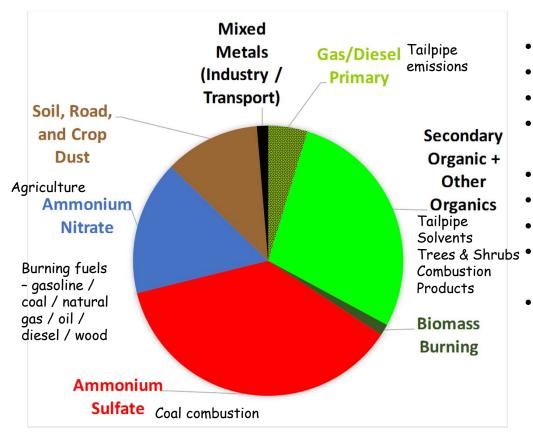
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Being in close proximity to sources at left Indoor Air Pollution (e.g. smoking, cooking, candles incense, crafts,

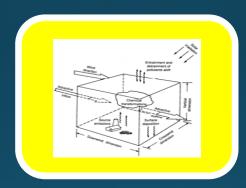
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#### 2012 Iowa City Landfill Fire

- 1. In a populated area
- 2.  $PM_{2.5}$ : 2000  $\mu g/m^3$  < 1 mile radius (for short term < 5 min ) and 71  $\mu g/m^3$  7 miles downwind site (1 hr avg.)
- 3. Carcinogenic VOC enhanced from background by factor of 10.
- 4. Total PAH enhanced from background by factor of 180.



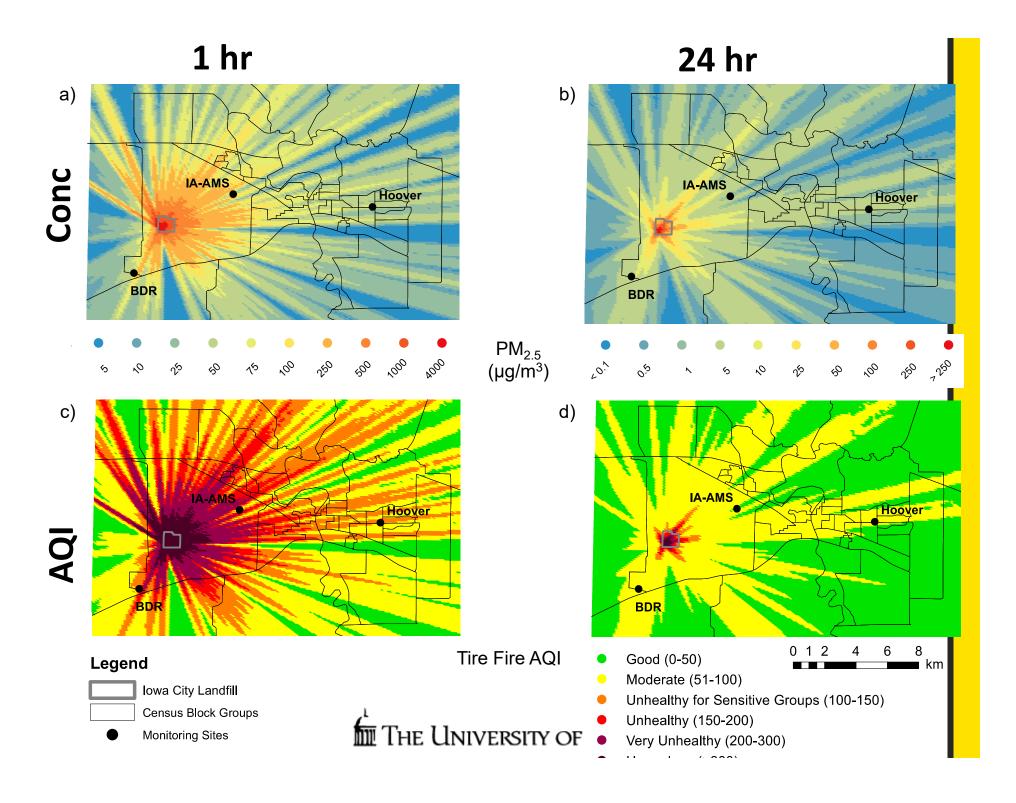




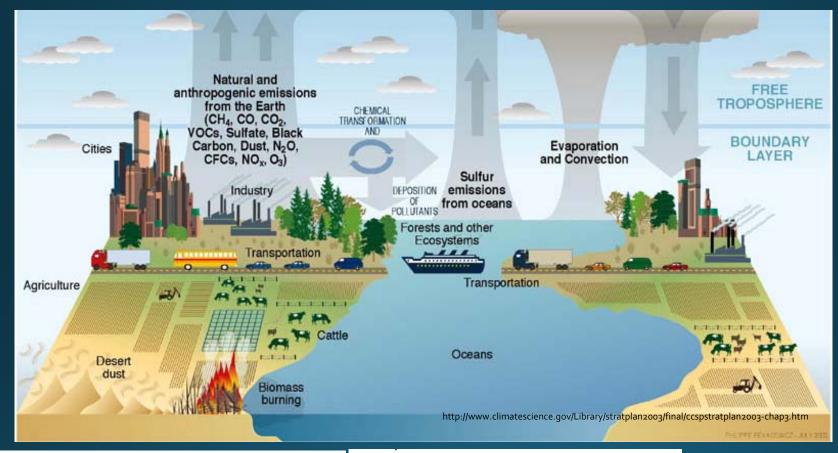








#### Air Pollution Processes



#### Key processes:

- Boundary layer height / mixing height
- Radiation
- Clouds and Precipitation
- Emissions
  - Anthropogenic vs. Biogenic vs. Biomass Burning
  - Primary vs. Secondary
- Deposition

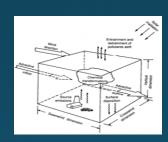
- Chemical Transformations
  - Those that control ozone concentrations
  - Those that create sulfate aerosol
  - Those that create secondary organic aerosol
  - Those that create ammonium nitrate aerosol
- Aerosol Thermodynamics

# Mentimeter Q2

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#### Measurement Stations (Certified Data)



#### New smaller electronic sensors exist but with significant accuracy, precision, calibration, and drift issues



Hanley, T. & Rice, J. Evaluation of Fielddeployed Low Cost PM Sensors. (2014).Figure 2.1.6-1. Met One model 831 oriented in its shelter with the lid up.

Williams, R.,

Kaufman, A.,





Air Quality Egg

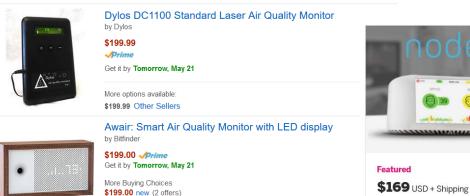
Some Google Street View Cars Now Track Pollution Levels



NPR

http://www.npr.org/sections/alltechconsidered/2015 /07/29/427462846/some-google-street-view-carsnow-track-pollution-

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Air Mentor PRO A 6-in-1 Indoor Air Quality Monitor (8096-AP)

\$183.00 used (1 offer)

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# Recommendations for each level of AQI

Category	Health Effects	Caution Statement	Other Protective Actions
Good	None Expected	None	None
Moderate	Possible aggravation of heart or lung disease	Unusually sensitive individuals should consider limiting prolonged or heavy exertion  Pay attention to symptoms  If symptoms, contact health care provider (repeated cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, wheezing, chest tightness or pain, palpitations, nausea, unusual fatigue or lightheadedness)	If symptomatic, reduce exposure to particles by  Closing doors and windows  Avoid using exhaust fans  Keep garage-to-home door closed  If using central air, turn to "recirculate" if that's an option  Avoid using whole house fans  Avoid indoor air pollutants (tobacco smoke, heating with wood stoves and kerosene heaters, frying or broiling food, burning candles, vacuuming, paints, solvents, cleaning products, adhesives)
Other levels – see our CLE4R Website			

### AQI Values — North America 12:30 PM Today (Iowa City AQI 36)



## Asia and Europe at the Same Time



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# Thank You!

