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# Updates of “Health Investigation and Air Sensing for Asian Pollution (Hi-ASAP)”

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- Developed under the umbrella of IGAC - Monsoon Asia and Oceania Networking Group (**IGAC-MANGO**), met in May 2019 to write the Science Plan; **endorsed by Regional Centre for Future Earth in Asia** in November 2019
- Goal
  - To **provide scientific evidence to support effective policy actions** to reduce air pollution levels, in particular  $PM_{2.5}$ , in this region by applying newly developed low-cost sensing (LCS) devices
- Current status
  - Research groups comprised of atmospheric chemists and public health professionals from **12 different areas in the Asia and the Pacific region** have joined this Hi-ASAP project

# Science Steering Committee (SSC) of the Hi-ASAP

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				Australia	Fabienne Reisen	Analysis	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)

# Capacity Building of Hi-ASAP in 2019-2021

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- Training workshops: Advanced Institute (AI) on Health Investigation and Air Sensing for Asian Pollution (Hi-ASAP)
  - To **share common methodologies and sensor technologies**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> AI on Hi-ASAP was held on **August 2019**, a five-day event
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> AI on Hi-ASAP was held on **October 2020** virtually, a four-day event
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> AI on Hi-ASAP will be held on **October 2021** virtually, a five-day event
- 2019 Asia Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS) session (July 28 – August 2, 2019, Singapore)
  - “**Regional Collaborative Research on Air Pollution Sensing and Health in Asia**” reported from **Indonesia, Myanmar, Malaysia, the Philippines**

# Hi-ASAP Activities of 2021

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- On-line conference session: Sustainability Research and Innovation Congress (**SRI 2021**), June 12-15, Brisbane, Australia
  - “**Tackle Air Quality and Human Health with New Thinking and Technologies**”, reported from team members in **Bangladesh, Indonesia, Myanmar, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan, and Thailand**, followed by panel discussion
- Monsoon Asia and Oceania Networking Group (MANGO) Session, **16th IGAC Scientific Conference**, Online 14 September 2021
  - Recent Findings of “Health Investigation and Air Sensing for Asian Pollution (Hi-ASAP)” – a Project Endorsed by Future Earth in Asia
- MANGO Side Meeting, **16th IGAC Scientific Conference**, Online 15 September 2021
  - “Health Investigation and Air Sensing for Asian Pollution (Hi-ASAP)” updates

# Introduction

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- Specific Aims
  - To conduct research **providing policy-relevant findings** to reduce PM<sub>2.5</sub>-associated health risks at national levels
- Take advantage of the new sensor technology to tackle the health threats brought by severe PM<sub>2.5</sub> pollution in Asia
  - Low-cost sensing (LCS) devices are applied to **evaluate PM<sub>2.5</sub> sources, exposures, and exposure-health relationships** in high tempo-spatial resolution with much lower expenses

## Integration, validation, & application of research-grade and low-cost PM<sub>2.5</sub> sensors (Academia Sinica-LUNG, AS-LUNG)

### ■ Outdoor

(attached to a light pole)



### ■ Indoor (palm size)



### ■ Portable (palm size)



Heart Rate Variability (HRV) micro-sensors in Taiwan



## Publications & Major findings

- **Sensor evaluation:** Wang et al., *sensors*, 2020.6
- **Community source evaluation:** Lung et al., *Science of the Total Environment*, 2020.5
  - **Qualified the major sources:** traffic, restaurants, and temples
- **Indoor Air Quality** (source evaluation): Lung et al., *Indoor Air*, 2020.12
  - **Qualified important indoor/exposure sources:** cooking, environmental tobacco smoke, incense-burning
- **Exposure factor evaluation:**
  - Sinaga et al., *Journal of Exposure Science and Environmental Epidemiology (JESEE)*, 2020.08
  - Wang et al., *Atmosphere*, 2021.02
- **Exposure-health evaluation:** Lung et al., *JESEE*, 2020.11; Tsou et al., *Sensors*, 2021.02; Tsou et al., *Sensors*, 2021.07
  - **HRV of the subjects were affected in the low PM<sub>2.5</sub> levels** ( $12.6 \pm 8.9 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )



# Progress in different research groups

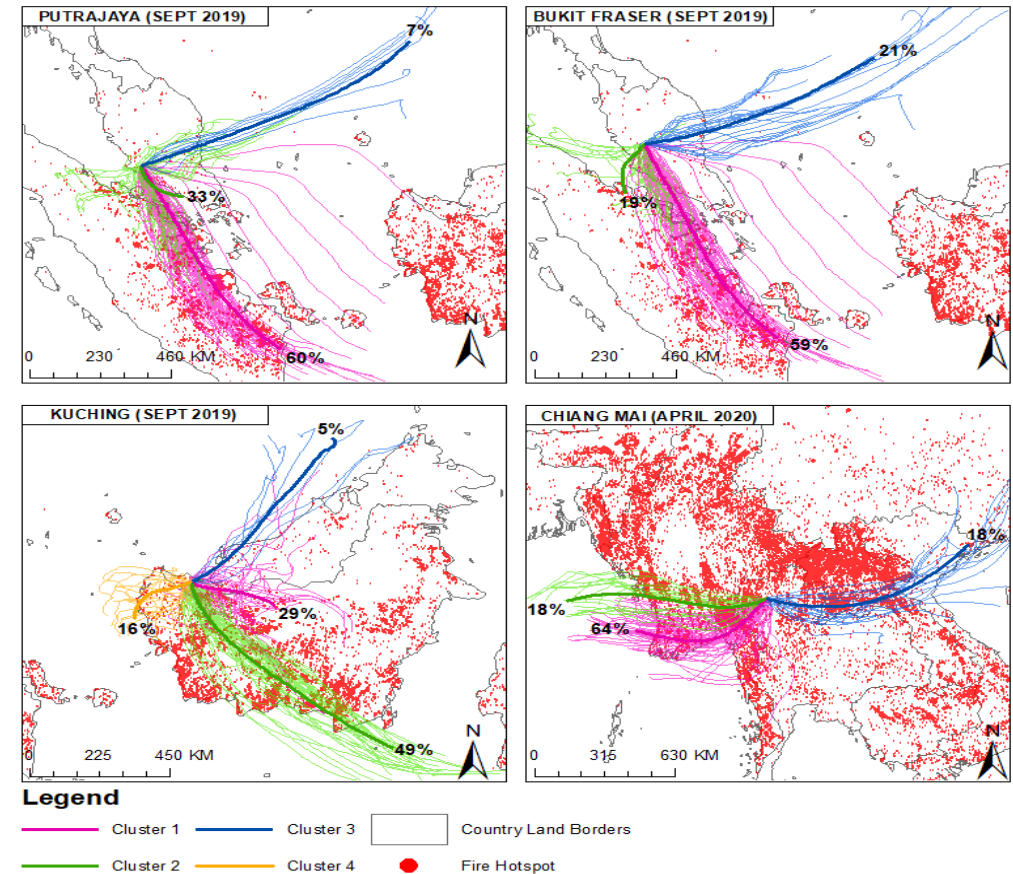
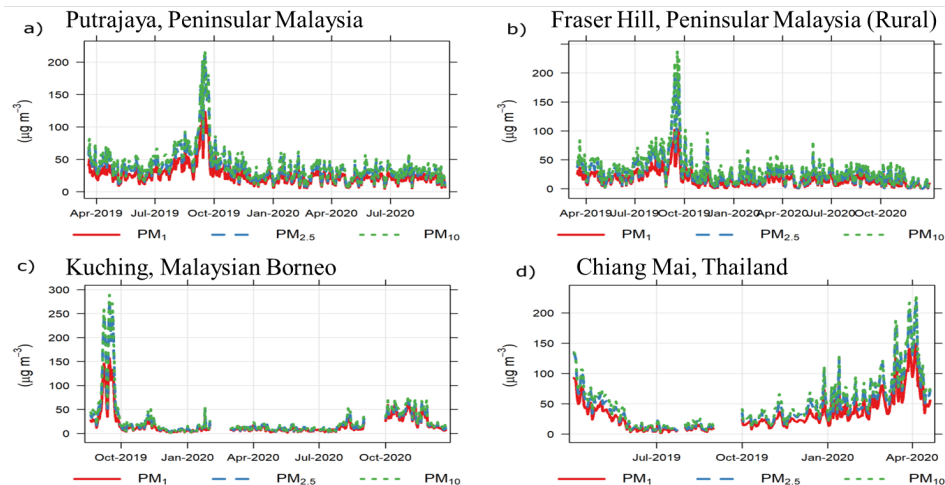
- Hong Kong (Kin-Fai HO)
  - Validate and apply a diffusion-based sensing device for CO, O<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>2</sub>
- Thailand (Kim OANH)
  - AS-LUNG-P and other instruments, street cooking
- Vietnam (Thi Hien TO)
  - AS-LUNG-P, traffic, cooking and incense-burning
- Malaysia (Mohd Talib LATIF)
  - AS-LUNG-O, ambient monitoring for biomass burning
- Myanmar (Ohnmar May Tin HLAING)
  - AS-LUNG-O, open burning in the waste disposal sites
  - AS-LUNG-P, waste disposal workers' exposures
- Bangladesh (Abdus SALAM)
  - AS-LUNG-P, 24-hour exposure patterns, traffic and cooking emissions
- The Philippines (Maria Obiminda L. CAMBALIZA)
  - AS-LUNG-P, Jeepney drivers' exposures, hotspot identification



# Characteristic and Spatial-Temporal Variability of $PM_{10}$ , $PM_{2.5}$ and $PM_1$ during 2019-2020 Biomass Burning Event in Southeast Asia

(authors: Murnira Othman, Haris Hafizal Abd Hamid, Royston Uning, Worradorn Phairuang, Thipsukon Khumsaeng, Zawawi Daud, Juferi Idris, Nurzawani Md Sofwan Shih-Chun Candice Lung)

➤ To evaluate the spatio-temporal characteristic of three different sizes of PM at four different measurement sites in Malaysia and Thailand, Southeast Asia

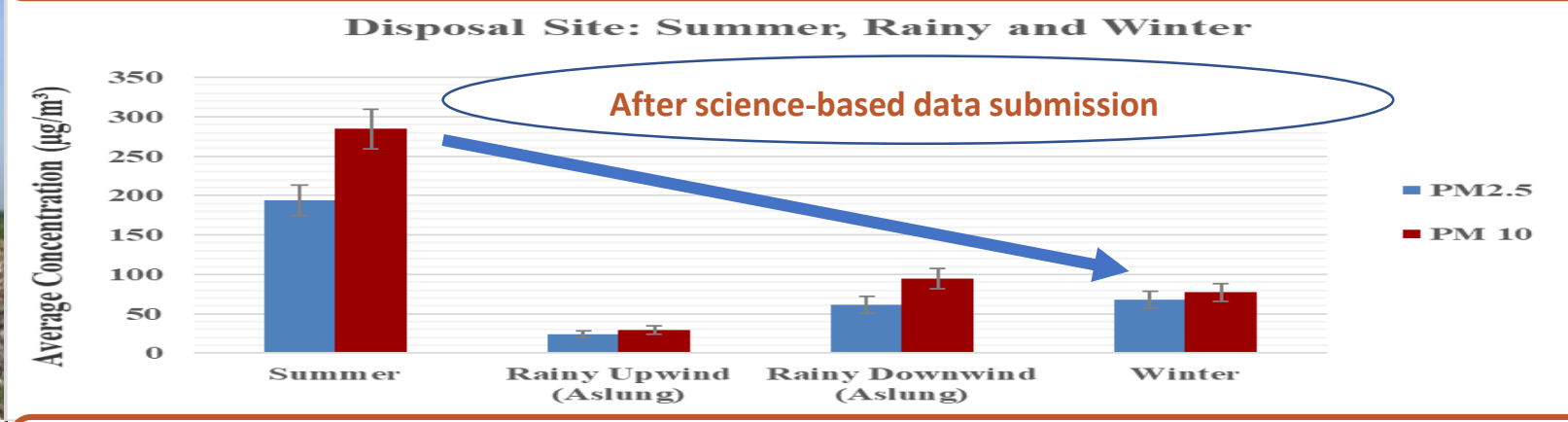


Interface between science-based data and policy action to improve the existing Mandalay City Waste Management: Ambient Air Monitoring, Air Impact Assessment, Personal PM2.5 Exposure, Health Risk Assessment, Awareness and Mitigation Measures. Authors: Ohnmar May Tin Hlaing, No No Lwin, Ye Naung Tun, Min Aung Myint Soe, Shih-Chun Candice Lung, Nguyen Thi Kim Oanh

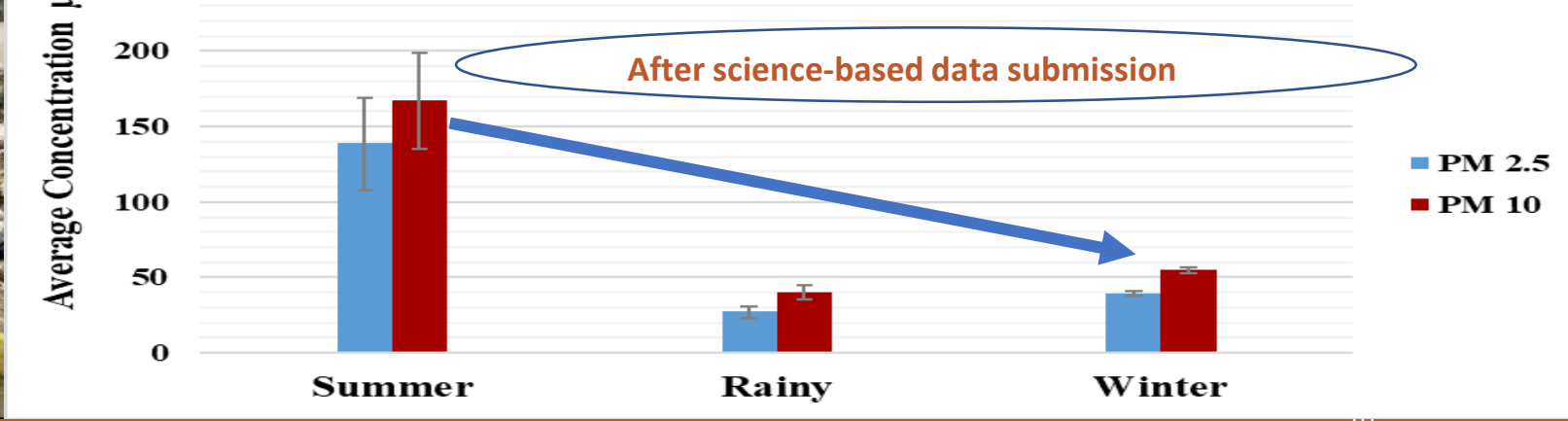
Objective: To reveal the existing air quality impact affected by opening burning at the waste disposal sites



Comparison between *ambient concentration at the disposal site* between *summer, rainy and winter*

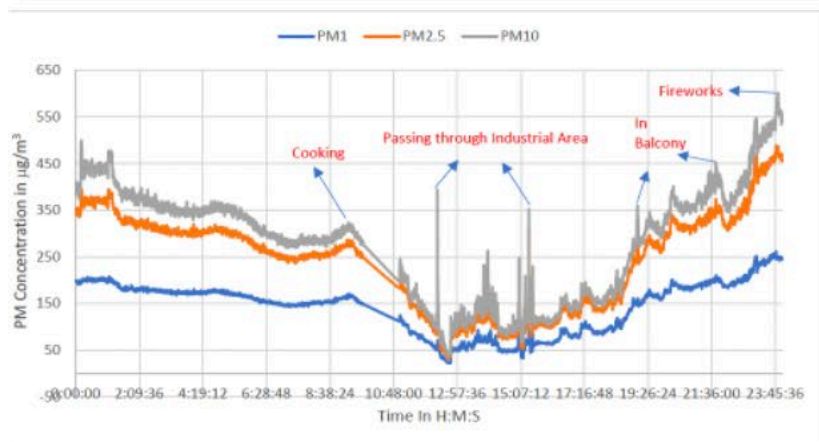
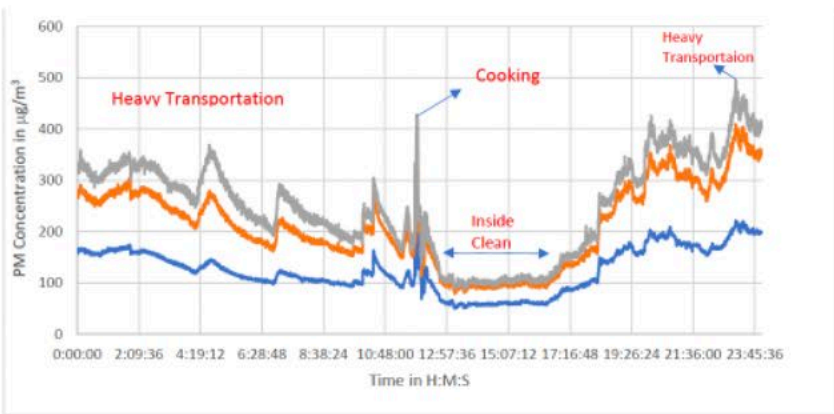
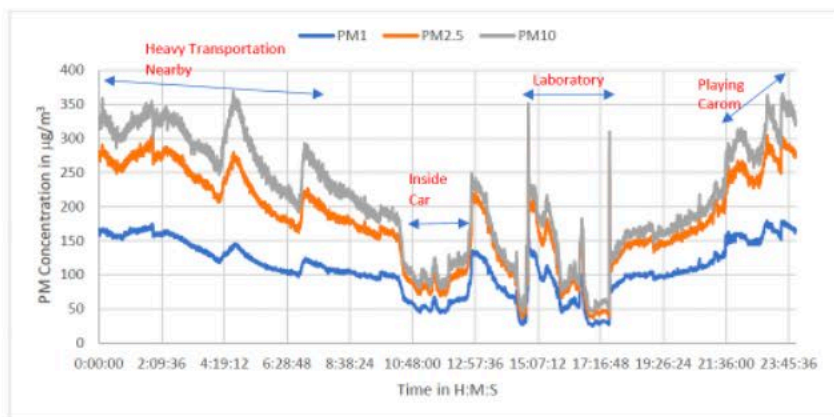


Comparison between *personal exposure at the disposal site* between *summer, rainy and winter*

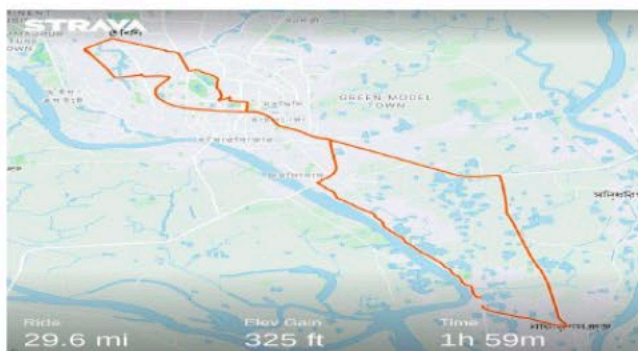
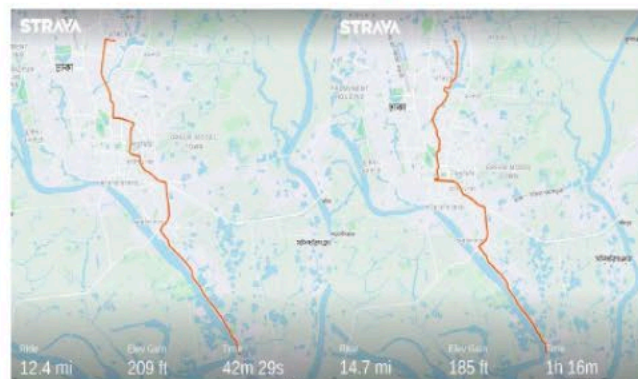




## Exposure



## Travel Map



## Environemnts

Site	Description
Residence	Very industrialized area and heavily polluted due to BSCIC and brick kilns, Fatullah, Narayanganj
Hardware market	Very densely populated with no traffic inside, kalir bazar, Narayanganj
sSuper shop	Very few people, masdair Narayanganj
Car	Four wheel drive in urban and highway routes
Rickshaw	Auto rickshaws and paddled rickshaws within the polluted Narayanganj city
Shopping mall	Bashundhara city shopping mall in Panthapath, Dhaka. Busy mall
Restaurant	Star Kabab restaurant, busy restaurant with cooking inside, Dhanmondi, Dhaka
CNG filling station	Vehicles nearby, signboard, Dhaka
Supermarket	Multistoried building, Dhanmondi, Dhaka
University research laboratory	Enclosed room with few people

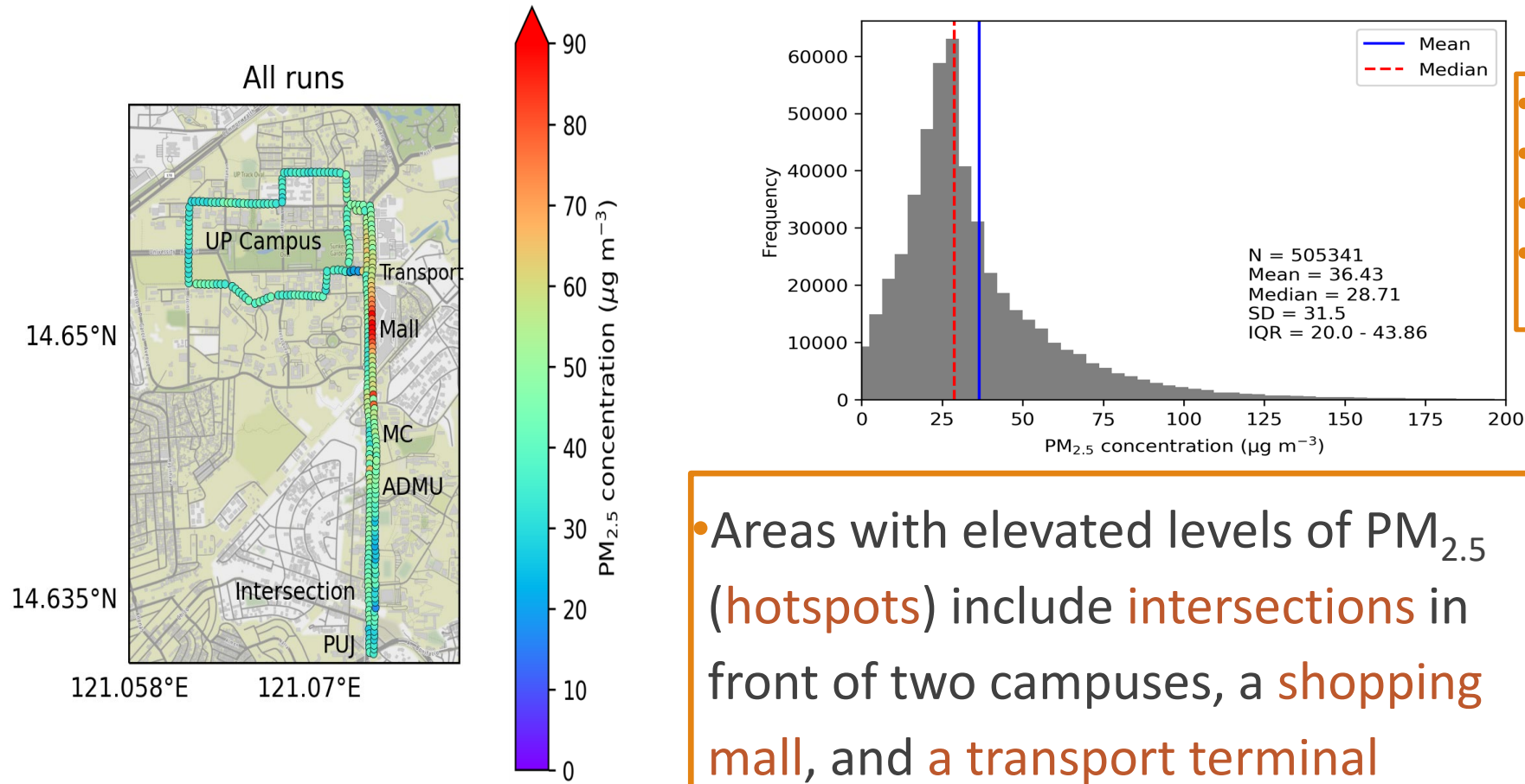
Personal Exposure Monitoring with As-Lung Sensor at different Environments in Dhaka Bangladesh

Abdus Salam et al.

Characterization of the spatiotemporal distribution of PM<sub>2.5</sub> in a Southeast Asian megacity: an assessment of personal exposure of a high-risk occupational group in Metro Manila, Philippines

Authors: Maria Obiminda L. Cambaliza, Melliza T. Cruz, Charlotte Kendra Z. Gotangco, Imee Delos Reyes, Gabrielle Frances Leung, Jarl Tynan A. Collado, Jose Gabriel F. Abalos, Shih-Chun Candice Lung, James Bernard B. Simpas, John Q. Wong, Rene Marlon B. Panti, Emma E. Porio, Bernell Go, Katrina Abenojar, Carlos Manalo, Grace B. Betito, Christine L. Chan, Aubrey de Francisca, Xzann Garry, Vincent Topacio

Objective: characterizing the personal PM<sub>2.5</sub> daily exposure of jeepney drivers



# Path forward

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- Conduct researches on source characterization, exposure assessment and exposure-health evaluation
- Combine LCS devices with filter-based measurements to evaluate aerosol compositions for source characterization
- Write joint papers
- Organize training workshop
  - 2022 workshop

# Topics of joint papers

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Lead author	topic	collaborator
Kim	Cooking	Hien, Salam, Candice
Talib	Biomass burning	Fabienne
Salam	24-hr exposure	Talib, Candice
Obie	Firework, Volcano- Journal of Disaster Research	Salam, Candice
Hien	Incense-burning	Candice
Ohnmar	Occupational exposure	Mazrura, Obie
Vincent & Candice	Sensor comparison	Hien, Ohnmar, Talib, Salam, Obie
Mark & Candice	Transportation	Kraichat, Hien



*Any questions?*

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# Updates for PM2.5 and health devices

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# ASLung Update

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## PMS3003(G3) :

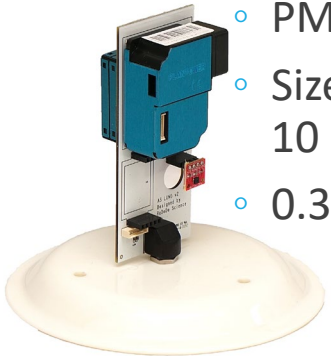
- PM value( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) : PM1 、 PM2.5 、 PM10

### Outdoor

- 2 PM sensor
- 1 PM Sensor and 1 CO2

## PMSA-003-C(GSA) :

- PM value( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) : PM1 、 PM2.5 、 PM10
- Size diatribution( $\text{No}/0.1\text{L}$ ) : 0.3 、 0.5 、 1.0 、 2.5 、 10 micromter( $\mu\text{m}$ )
- 0.3 and 0.5 are usable (Compare with EDM 180)



### Portable

- 1 PM(G3) sensor and 1 CO2
- 1 PM(GSA) sensor and 1 CO2



# Devices for health indicators

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# Comparison between Smart Watch and Rooti

- 49 subjects carried Garmin smart watches for 7 days
- compared with the same subjects carried Rooti for 2 days

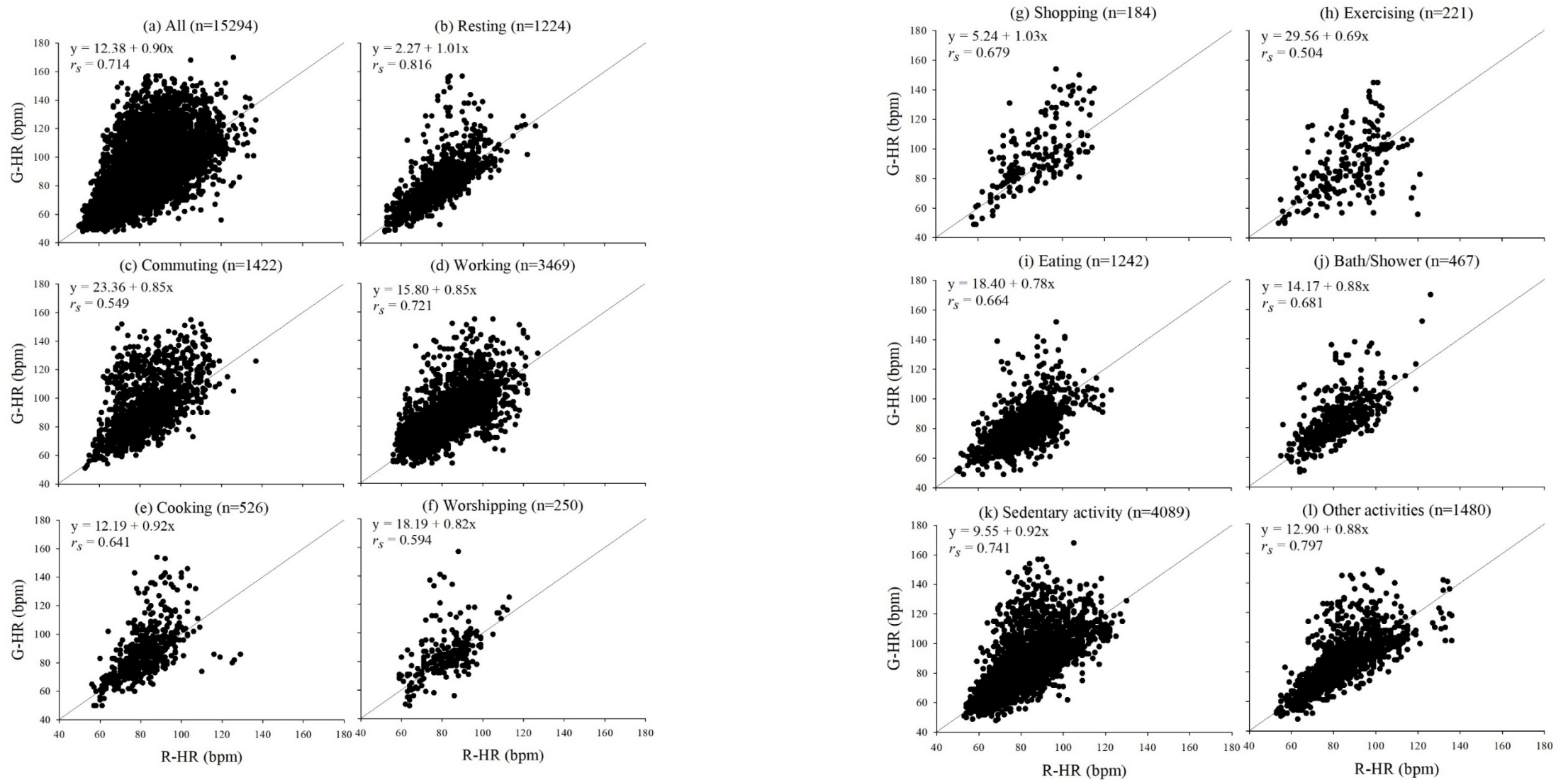
- Garmin Forerunner® 35

- Heart rate
- Sleep stage: deep sleep and light sleep
- GPS

	Garmin-HR (bpm) <sup>a</sup>		Rooti-HR (bpm)	
Characteristics	n	Mean ± SD (Midian)	n	Mean ± SD (Midian)
Age (years)				
40 to 64 years (27) <sup>e</sup>	35,846	85.7 ± 16.2 * (83.0)	7731	83.0 ± 12.4 * (83)
65 to 75 years (22) <sup>e</sup>	27,215	84.2 ± 16.9 (82.0)	7563	80.9 ± 12.2 (80.0)
Gender				
Male (20) <sup>e</sup>	24,844	85.0 ± 16.1 (82.0)	6170	83.0 ± 12.9 * (82.0)
Female (29) <sup>e</sup>	38,217	85.1 ± 16.8 (83.0)	9124	81.2 ± 11.9 (81.0)
Body mass index (BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup> )				
<24 (19) <sup>e</sup>	25,811	82.4 ± 15.8 * (80.0)	5811	78.4 ± 11.5 * (77.0)
≥24 (30) <sup>e</sup>	37,250	86.9 ± 16.7 (84.0)	9483	84.1 ± 12.3 (83.0)

Tsou et al. (2021.07) Demonstrating the Applicability of Smartwatches in PM2.5 Health Impact Assessment. *Sensors*, 21(13), 4585. DOI: 10.3390/s21134585.

# Comparison between Heart rate readings from Rooti and Garmin devices



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# Similar health damage coefficients found in regressions using Rooti and Garmin

**Table 2.** Associations of 5 min means of PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentration with R-HR<sup>a</sup> for 2 day monitoring ( $n = 15,294$ ), and G-HR<sup>b</sup> for 7 day monitoring ( $n = 25,969$ ).

	R-HR			G-HR		
	Coefficient <sup>c</sup>	95% CI <sup>d</sup>	<i>p</i> -Value	Coefficient <sup>c</sup>	95% CI <sup>d</sup>	<i>p</i> -Value
PM <sub>2.5</sub>	0.229	0.127, 0.332	<0.001	0.234	0.0801, 0.389	0.003
Age	- 2.50	- 8.23, 3.59	0.412	- 1.83	- 6.47, 3.04	0.454
BMI	5.78	- 0.800, 12.8	0.086	6.50	1.33, 11.9	0.013
Gender	2.03	- 4.23, 8.70	0.534	- 1.31	- 6.12, 3.74	0.604

<sup>a</sup> Heart rate derived from RootiRx. <sup>b</sup> Heart rate derived from Garmin Forerunner 35 excluding activity intensity measurements <1100 mG. <sup>c</sup> Coefficients calculated as  $[10^{(\beta \cdot IQR)} - 1] 100\%$ , where  $\beta$  denotes the effect estimate. Coefficients expressed as percent change in HR associated with each interquartile range (IQR) increase in personal PM<sub>2.5</sub> exposures, in models adjusted for subject, age, gender, body mass index (BMI), temperature, activity, and time of day. <sup>d</sup> CI, confidence interval.

**Conclusion:** Although Garmin devices are not medical certified, they can be applied in PM<sub>2.5</sub> exposure-health evaluation to obtain similar health damage coefficients as those with Rooti. The advantages of low-cost and easy-to-carry allow the subjects to **carry 7-days or more** so that more heart rate data can be collected to achieve statistical significant findings with such large sample size

# Introduction Smart Watch-Garmin Forerunner® 245

- General

HARDWARE	SPECIFICATIONS
PHYSICAL SIZE	42.3 x 42.3 x 12.2 (mm) Fits wrists with a circumference of 127-204 mm
WEIGHT	38.5 g
BATTERY LIFE	Smartwatch Mode: Up to 7 days GPS mode: Up to 24 hours
WATER RATING	5 ATM



- Health Monitoring and Sensors

SENSORS	DETAIL
GARMIN ELEVATE™ WRIST HEART RATE MONITOR	Wrist-based heart rate
PULSE OX BLOOD OXYGEN SATURATION MONITOR	Spot-check and optionally in sleep
SLEEP	Deep sleep, light sleep and rapid eye movement(REM) sleep
GPS	(GPS+GLONASS+GALILEO)
ACCELEROMETER	



# Declaration of Conformity from UK



Issued: 16/11/2018

Revised: 11/3/2019

## UK DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

The object of the declaration described below is in conformity with the relevant statutory requirements:

SI 2017 No. 1206 The Radio Equipment Regulations 2017

SI 2012 No. 3032 The Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2012

ECE Regulation 10.04 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of vehicles with regard to electromagnetic compatibility, Paragraphs 6.5, 6.6, 6.8, and 6.9

EN 300 328 v2.1.1 2016-11 Wideband transmission systems; Data transmission equipment operating in the 2,4 GHz ISM band and using wide band modulation techniques

EN 301 489-1 v2.1.1 2017-02 ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 1: Common technical requirements

EN 301 489-17 v3.1.1 2017-02 ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 17: Specific conditions for Broadband Data Transmission Systems

EN 303 413 v1.1.1 2017-06 Satellite Earth Stations and Systems (SES); Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) receivers; Radio equipment operating in the 1 164 MHz to 1 300 MHz and 1 559 MHz to 1 610 MHz frequency bands

EN 55032:2015/AC:2016 Class B (CISPR 32:2015) Electromagnetic compatibility of multimedia equipment – Emission requirements

EN 62368-1:2014 Audio/Video, Information and Communications Technology Equipment – Safety requirements

EN 62479:2010 Assessment of the compliance of low power electronic and electrical equipment with the basic restrictions related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields (10 MHz to 300 GHz)

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	GARMIN (Europe) Ltd. Liberty House
Authorised Representative:	Hounslow Business Park, Southampton,
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	Information Technology Equipment (GPS smart watch)

Type of Equipment:	Forerunner® 245, AA3568
Model Number(s):	2,4 GHz @ 2 dBm max power
	Forerunner® 245, AA3568

The undersigned does hereby declare that the equipment complies with the above Directives and Standards.

Jamie Wiltshire  
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## *Reading for October 13*

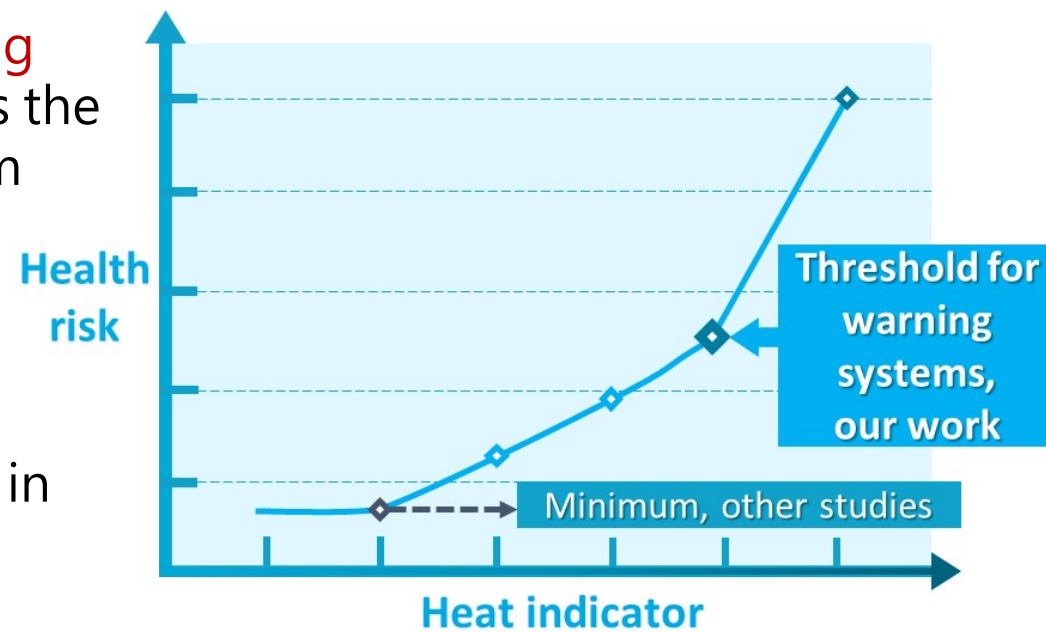
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Lung et al., “Selecting thresholds of heat-warning systems with substantial enhancement of essential population health outcomes for facilitating implementation”, *Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health* 2021, 18, 9506. <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph18189506>

# Assessment of Thresholds of a Warning System

(Lung et al., 2021, *IJERPH*)

- Objective:
  - (1) revise statistical methods to assess the starting point of the rapid increase of heat-health risks as the appropriate thresholds for a heat warning system
  - (2) compare WBGT and temperature
- Data data:
  - Daily meteorological data for 2000-2017
  - Daily heat-related hospital and emergency visits in 2000-2017 and daily mortality counts (excluding accidents and suicides) in 2008-2014
- Statistical analysis (collaborate with a statistician) :
  - Revised generalized additive models (GAMs) with Poisson distribution



1. Replace WBGT or temperature with PM2.5
2. Replace health database with hospital data
3. Apply the same methodology to evaluate PM2.5 exposure-health relationships with AS-LUNG-O and hospital data