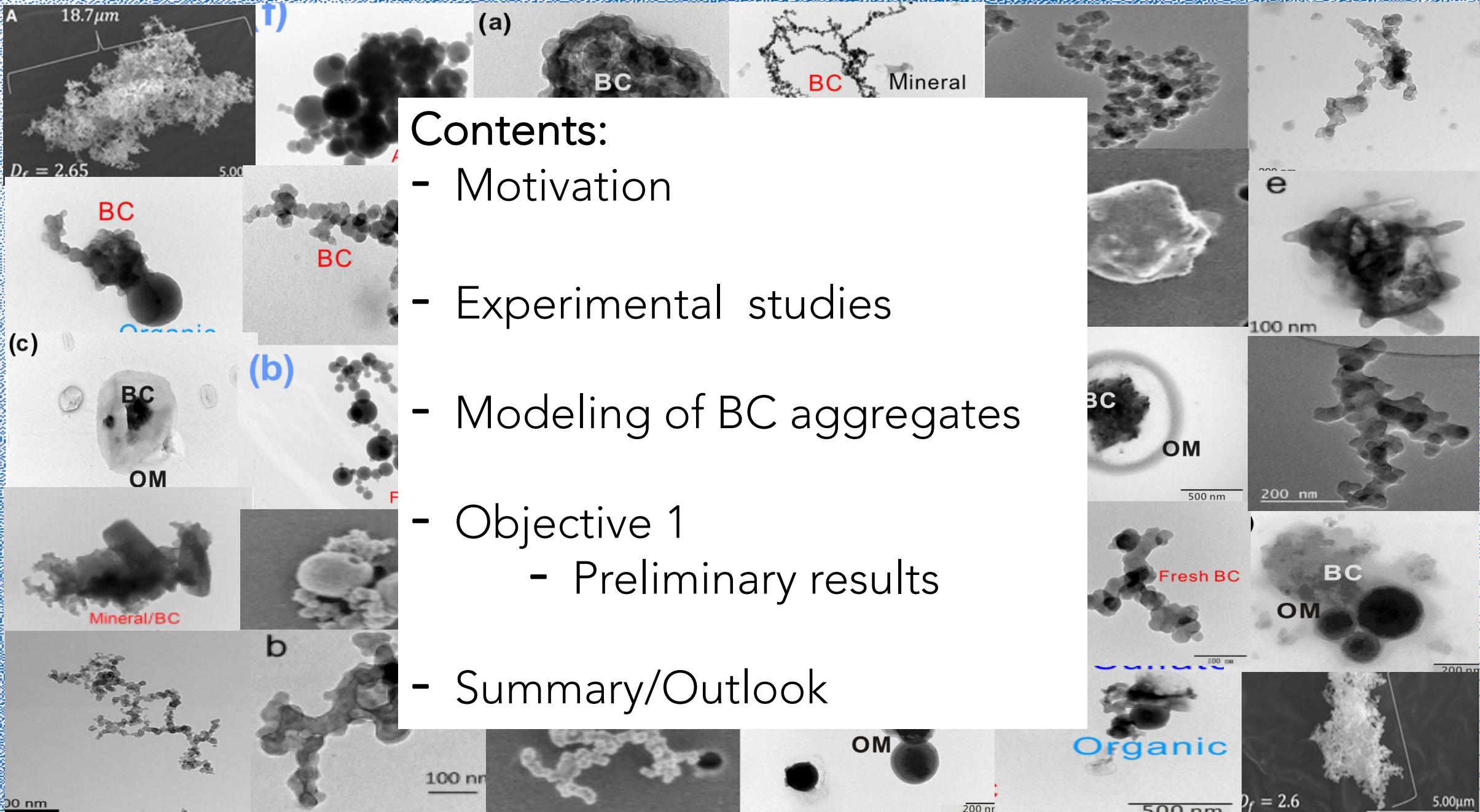


Experimental and Modeling Study of Optical Properties of Black Carbon with Organics

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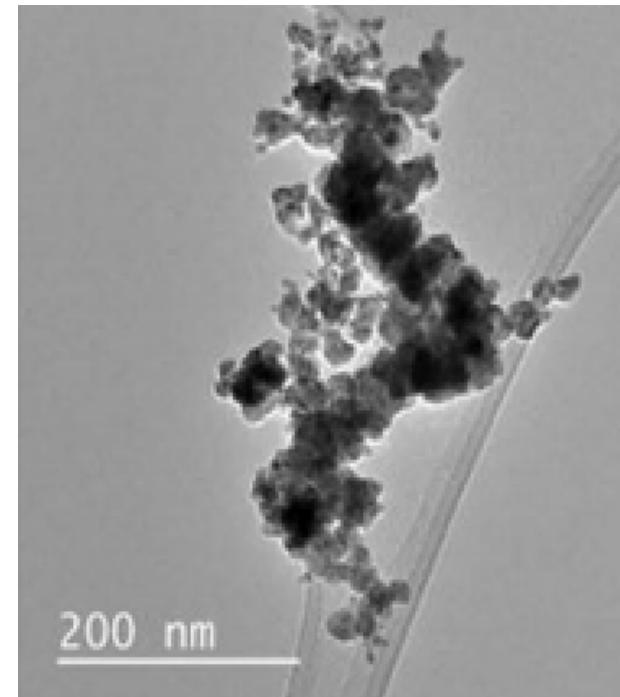


Contents:

- Motivation
- Experimental studies
- Modeling of BC aggregates
- Objective 1
 - Preliminary results
- Summary/Outlook

Black Carbon?

- Black Carbon (BC) belongs to the fine particulate matter.
- These particles are highly absorbing solar radiation.



Lie et al., 2008.

SOURCES

Traffic



Cooking



Power Plants/
Industries



Bio-mass burning

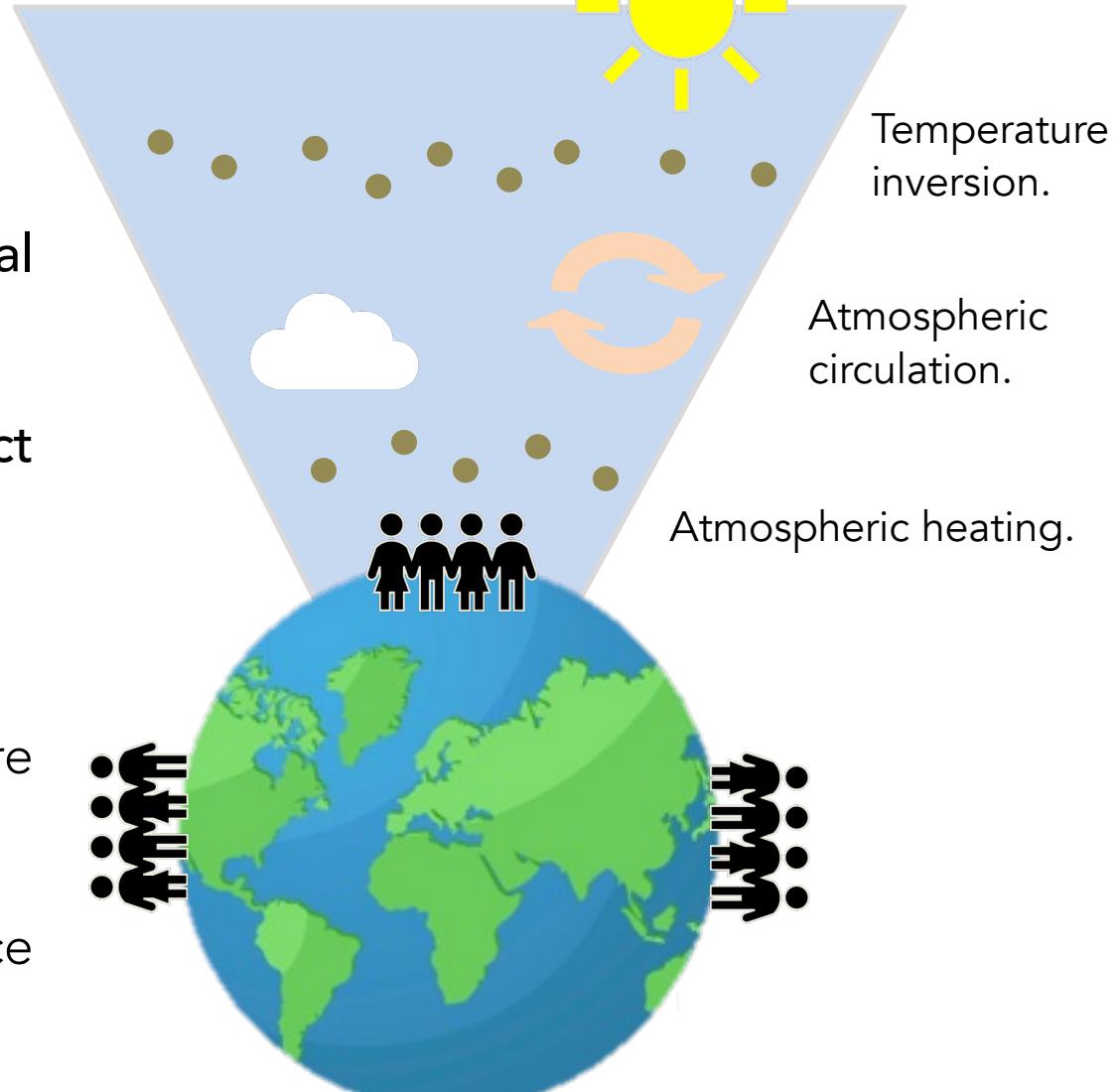


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Impacts of Black Carbon

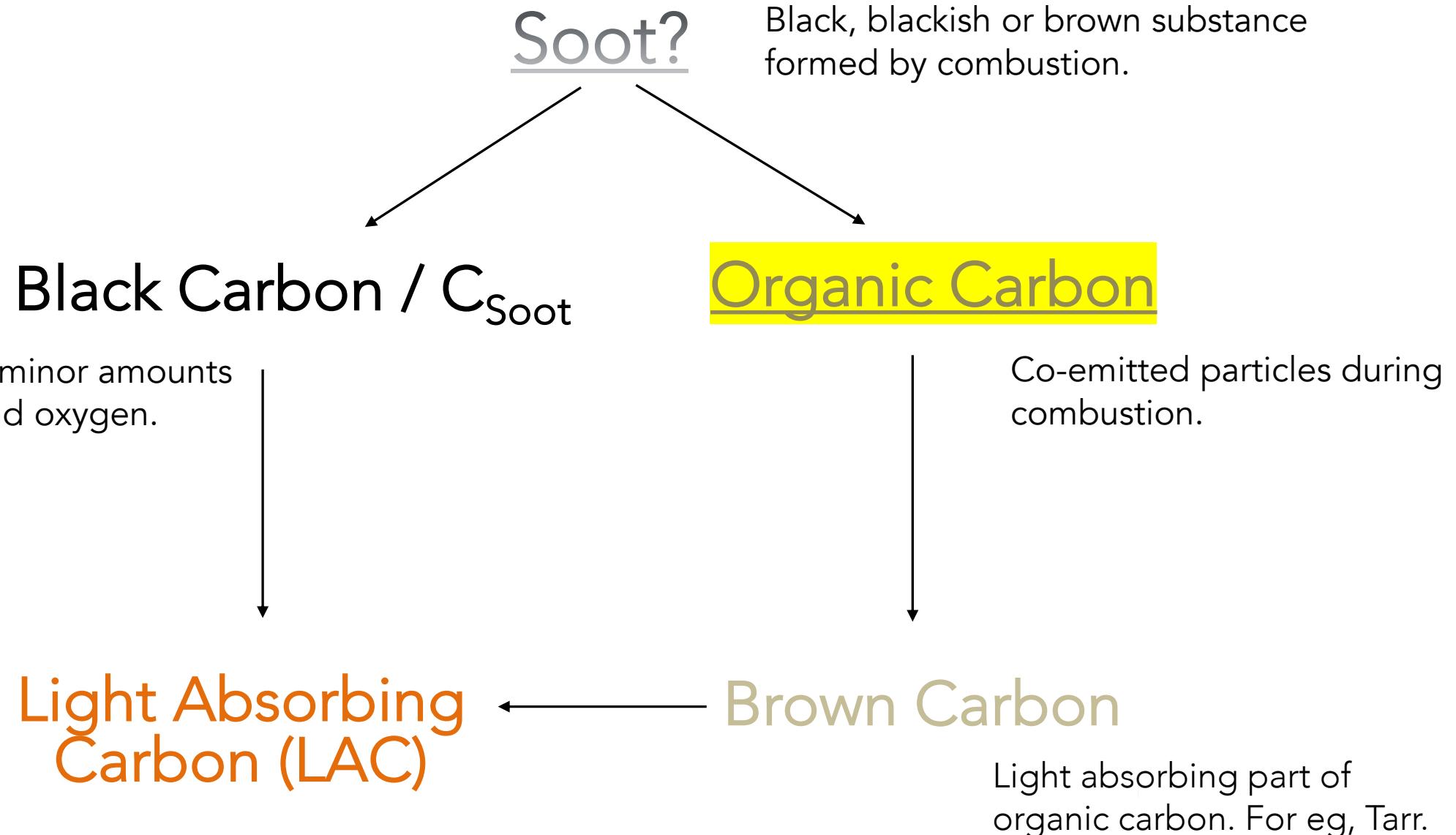
I. Climate

- Radiative and dynamic effects.
- Second largest contributor for global warming (IPCC 2007)
- Clouds - direct, semi-direct and indirect effects.



II. Eco – System and Human Health

- Harms human health and cause premature deaths (Jansen et al; 2011).
- Accelerate melting of snow and sea ice (Dong et al; 2018).

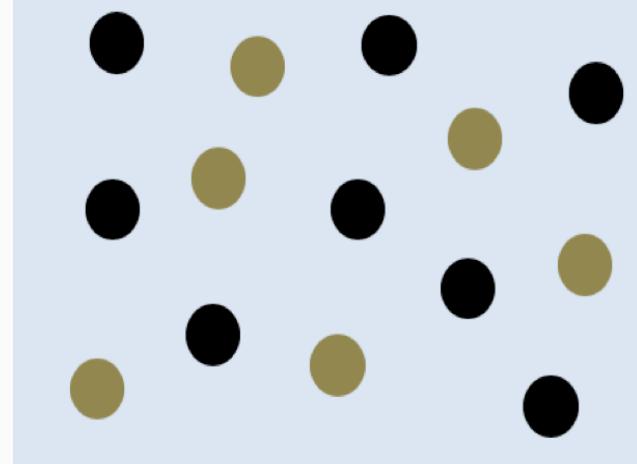


Organics?

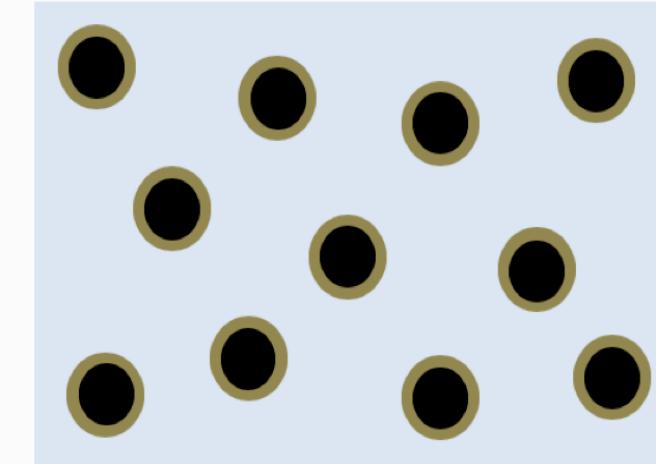
- In the atmosphere, organics is present along with BC.
- Constitute co-emittants \Rightarrow Polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)
- High flame equivalence ratio (i.e. more fuel, less oxygen) \Rightarrow More organics

Organics are Internally or Externally Mixed with Black Carbon :

Externally Mixed

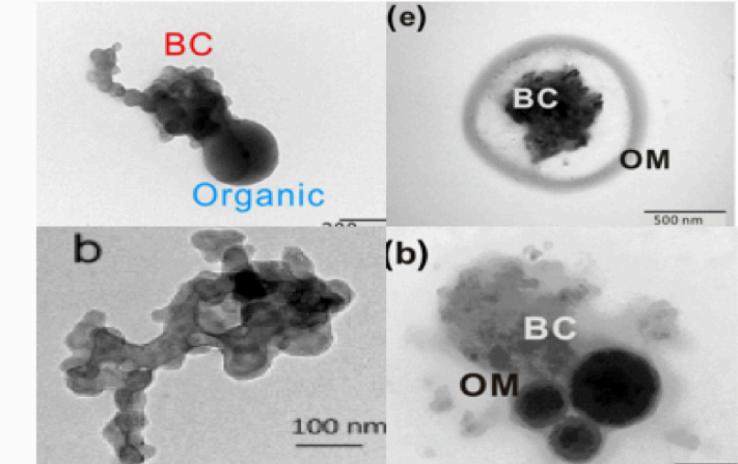


Internally Mixed (As Coating)



My focus

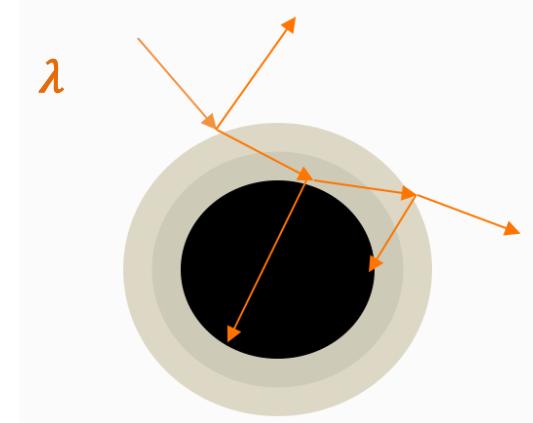
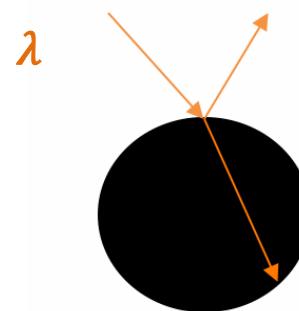
Internally Mixed (In Real)



Dong et al., 2018.

Property of BC coated with organics

- When organics are internally mixed with black carbon:
 - i. Enhance light absorption of black carbon due to a "lensing effect".



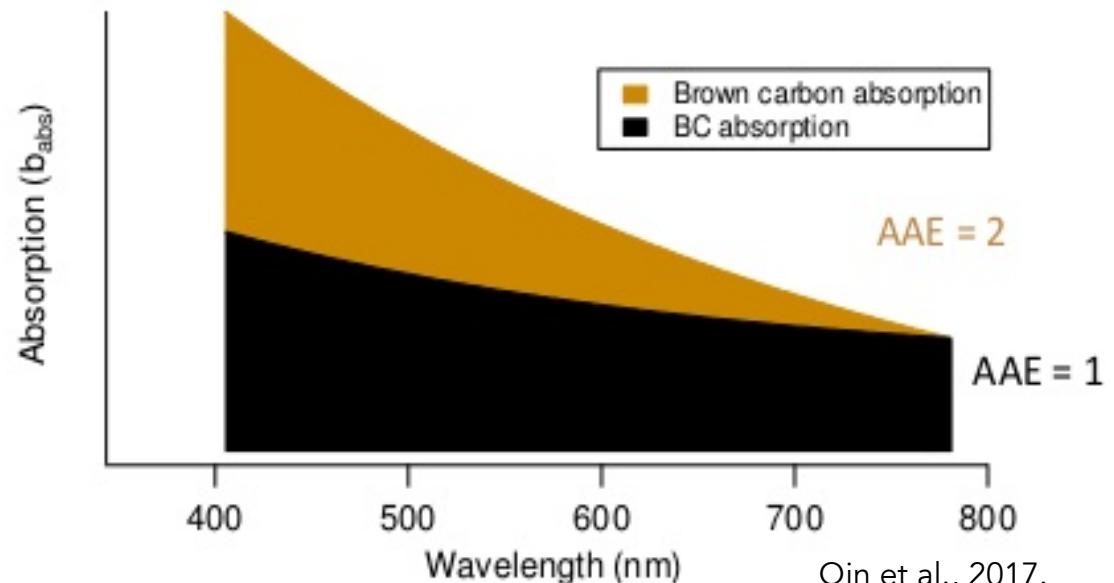
- ii. Modify the hygroscopicity of black carbon.

This is the reason we need to study internally mixed black carbon and organics.

Optical Properties (OP)

How to measure this enhancement in absorption?

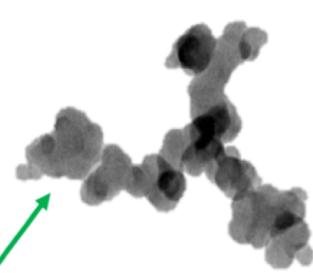
- OP 1. Mass Absorption Cross – Section (MAC) = Absorption per unit mass.
- $MAC_{BC} = 4 - 6 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ (Bond et al., 2006).
- $MAC_{BC \text{ with organics}} = 7 - 10 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ (Cappa et al., 2012)
- OP 2. Single Scattering Albedo (SSA)
= Scattering/(Absorption + Scattering)
- OP 3. Angstrom Absorption Exponent (AAE)
Slope of Absorption vs λ



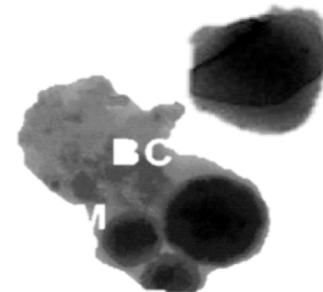
Qin et al., 2017.

How do BC particles look like?

Aggregate Morphology



More Compact Particles



- Goes through changes in morphology over time



Time Scale →

Few seconds

Minutes

Hour

- Experimental & modeling study ⇒ early stages of formation
- Understand the micro-physics during the transition stages

Overview of prev. laboratory studies

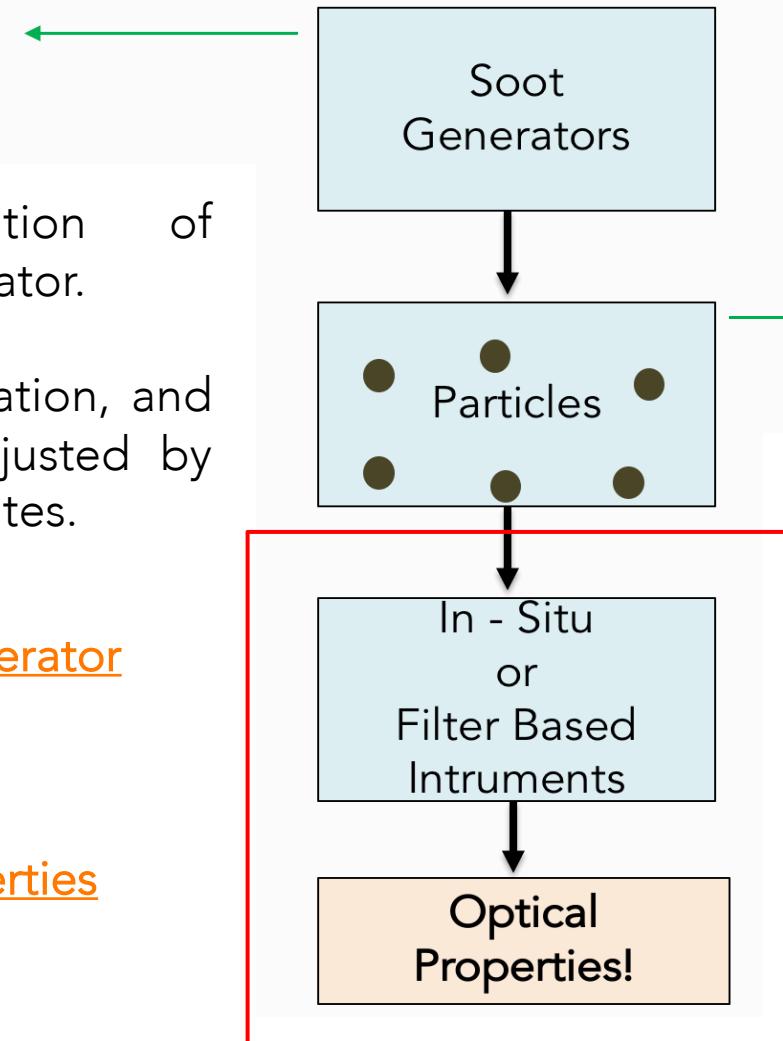
Studies by :

Moore et al, 2014.
Mamakos et al, 2013.

- Mapped the operation of combustion based generator.
- BC mode size, concentration, and OC fraction can be adjusted by varying the burner flow rates.

1.Reproducibility of generator

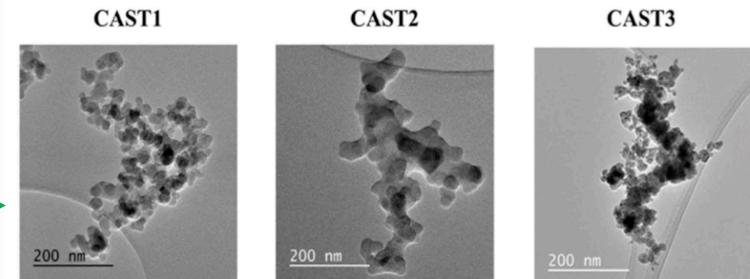
2.Study of optical properties



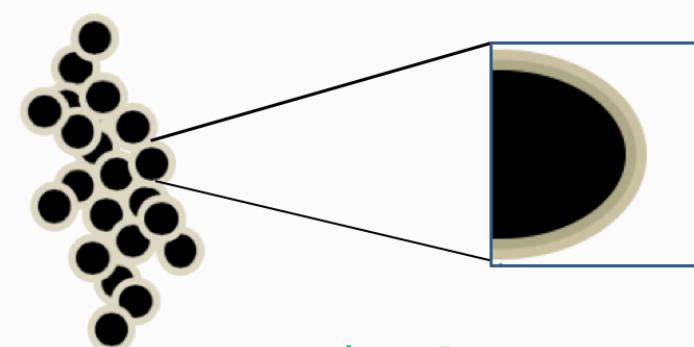
¹Using Near Edge X-ray Absorption Fine Structure (NEXAFS) - surface-sensitive technique.

Study by :

Ouf et al 2016.



- Evidence¹ of organics attached to edge of graphite crystallites.



Thin Coating

EMPIR Black Carbon Project



Topic - Traceability of absorption measurements for BC

Objective X - Develop standard BC source

2 laboratory campaigns

9 generators, morphology,
mass, composition and
optics measured.

Result – Improvement in comparability, accuracy and interpretation of data.

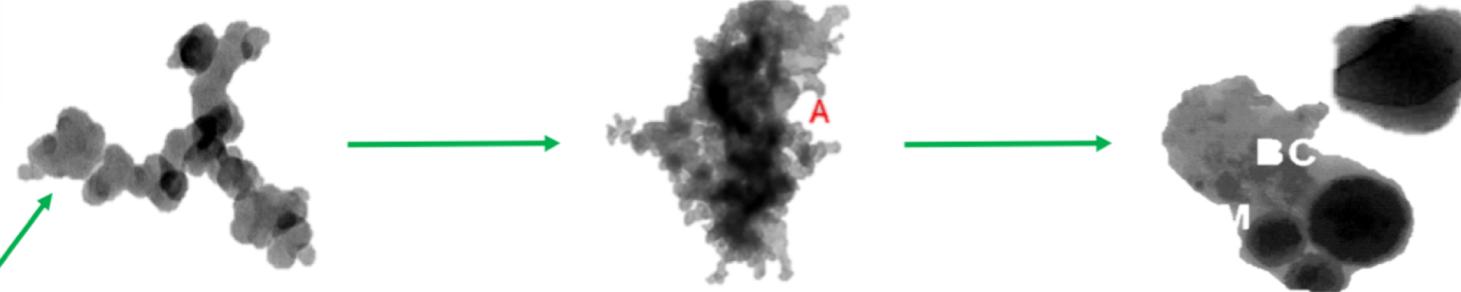
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Fractal Aggregates

My Focus

Aggregate Morphology

More Compact Particles



- Goes through changes in morphology over time



Time Scale →

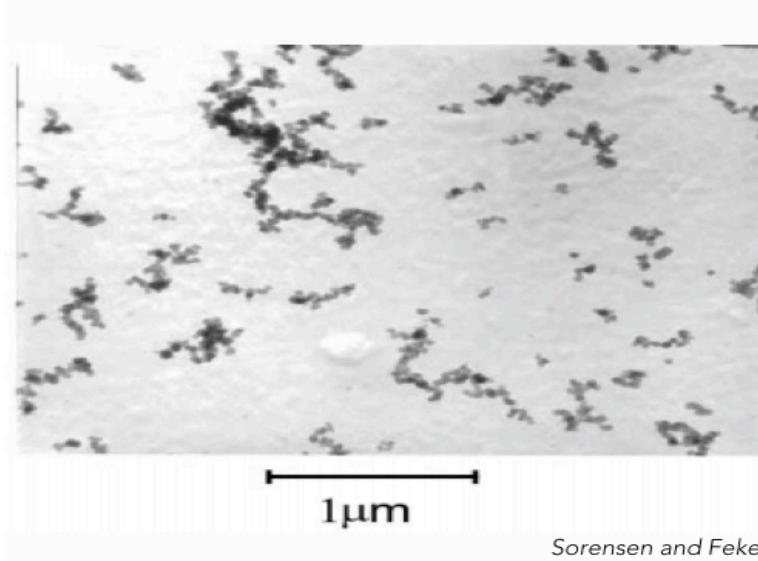
Few seconds

Minutes

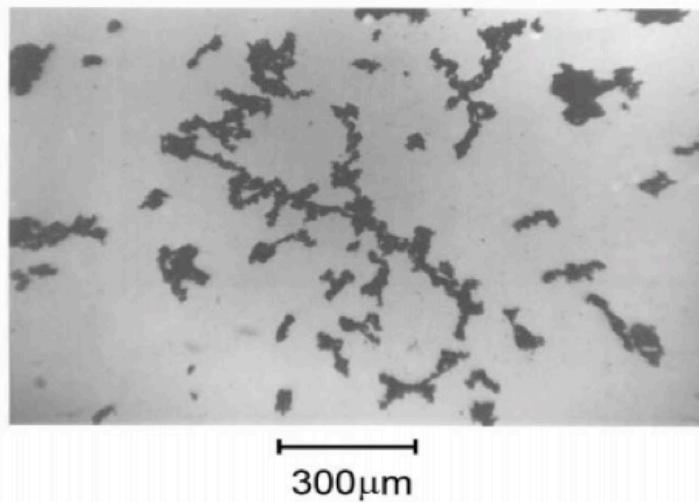
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Fractal Aggregates



Sorensen and Feke, AS&T 25, 328 (1996)



Similar shapes.

Now, note the scale bars.

← Scale Invariance

Such objects → Fractals

Black Carbon → Fractal Aggregate

(Mandelbrot 1977)



← Diffusion Limited Aggregation (DLA)

Wozniak et al, in 2012 developed a software based on DLA to generate aggregates

Properties of aggregate



Primary Particle

a = Radius of a primary particle

$D_f = 1.7$



$D_f = 2.2$

- **Radius of primary particle (a)**
It is a function of the source.
- **Number of Primary Particles (N_s)**
- **Fractal Dimension (D_f)**
Measure of compactness of the particle
Function of residence time.

Linking aggregate properties to size measurements?

= Power Law (Park et al, 2004)

Mobility Diameter

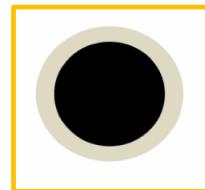
$$N_s = k' \left(\frac{D_p}{2a} \right)^{1.26 \times D_f}$$

Difference between sphere and aggregate

Case 1: Sphere

Radius (R) = 20 to 160 nm

Organics = 50 %



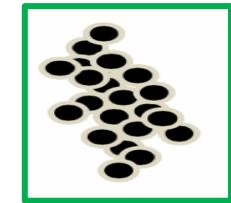
Case 2: Aggregate

Volume Equivalent Radius (R_v) = 20 to 160 nm

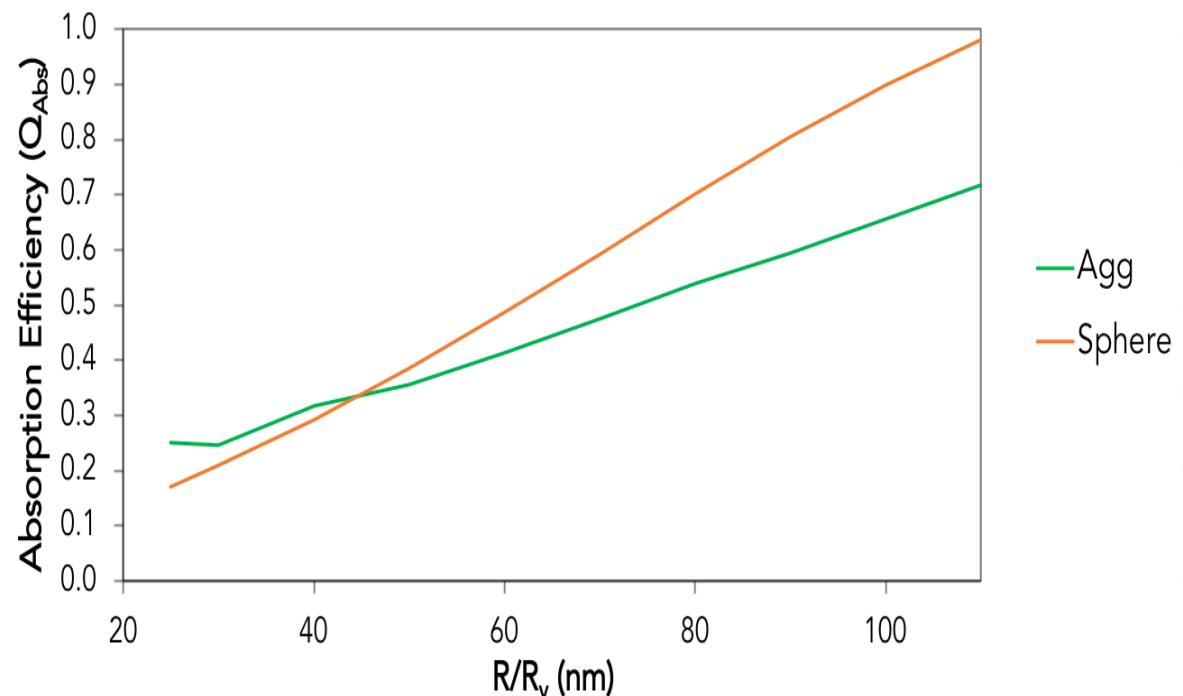
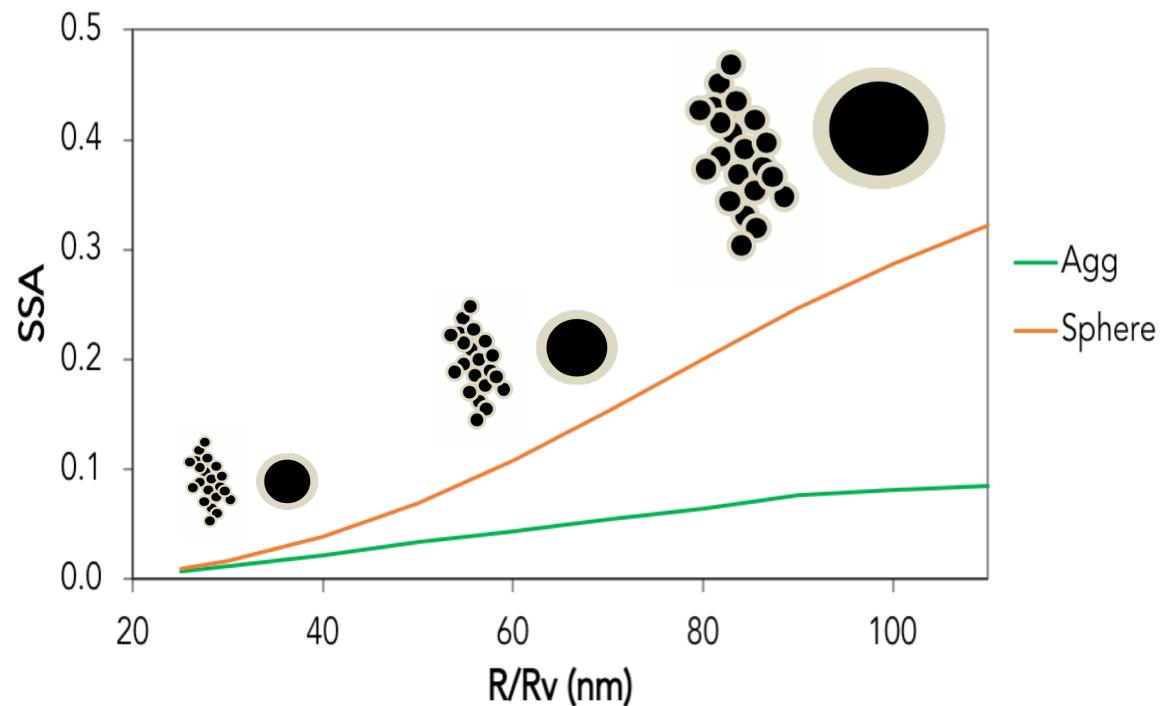
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Radius of primary particle (a) = 15 nm

Fractal Dimension = 1.7



Over estimation by spheres



Overview of prev. modeling studies

For BC without organics

Study	Size of Primary Particle (a)	Ns	Validation & inputs from lab
M. Kahnert	25 nm	600	None
Smith	25nm	1000	None

- Particles from combustion generators have sizes ~ 15 nm (*Ouf et al, 2016*).
- Developed parametrizations of BC for GCMs

For BC with organics

- We found Ns upto 800 in our laboratory campaign.

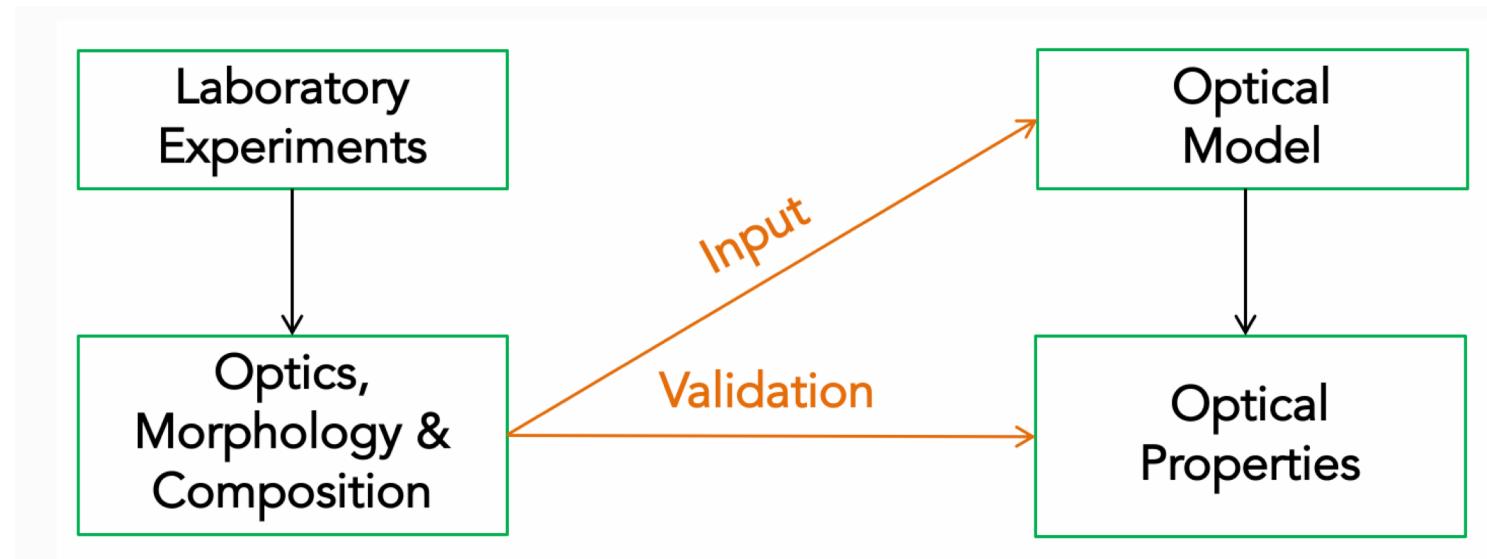
Study	Size of Primary Particle (a)	Ns	Coating method	Validation & inputs from lab
Liu	15nm	200	Single Sphere	None
Wu	25nm	300	Individual Thin	None

- Lack validation from experimental measurements.

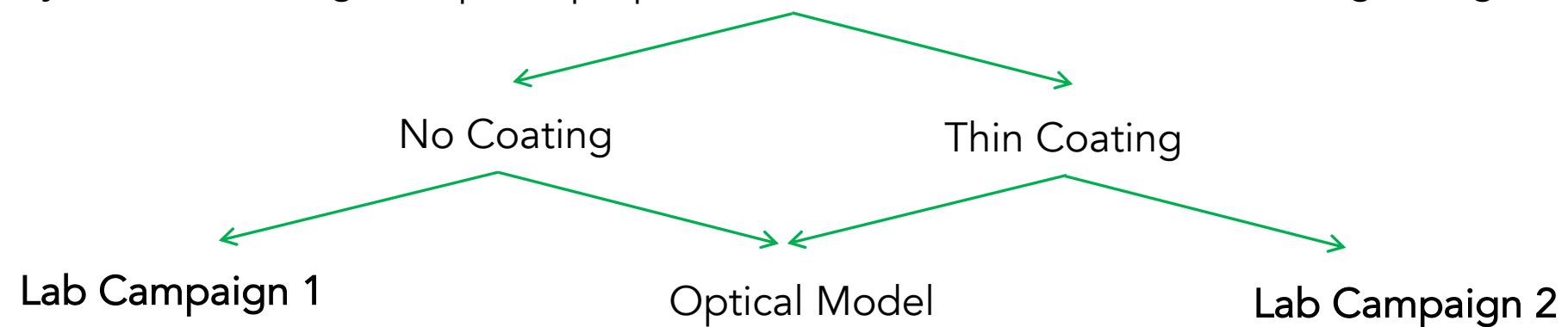
1 . Parallel experimental and modeling studies → Validation.

2. Parametrisations for thinly coated aggregates.

My Research Topic : Experimental and Modeling of Optical Properties of BC with Organics



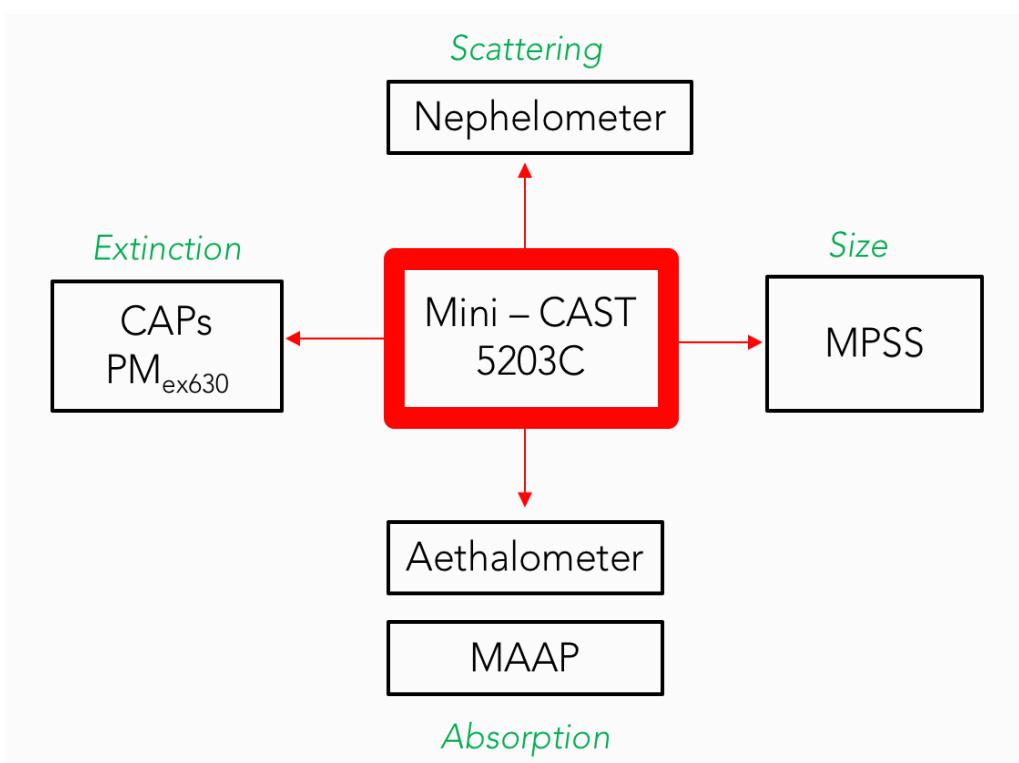
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Laboratory Campaigns – EMPIR BC Project

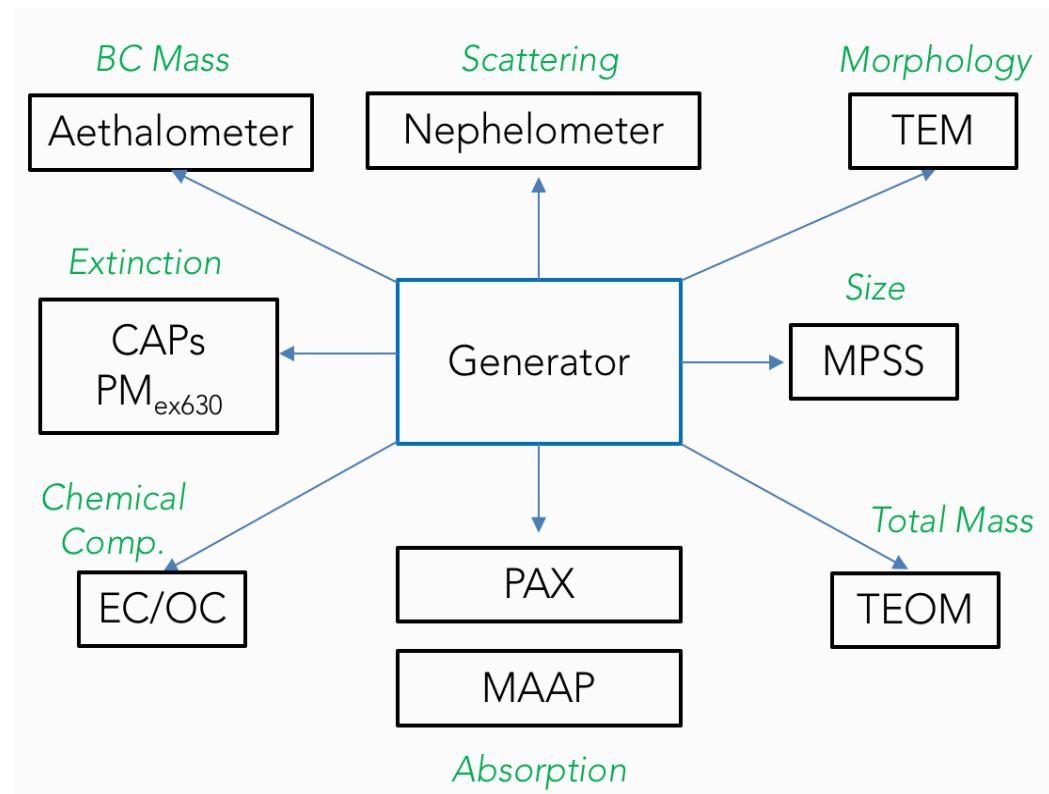
Campaign 1

- Single generator
- Pure BC (denuded)

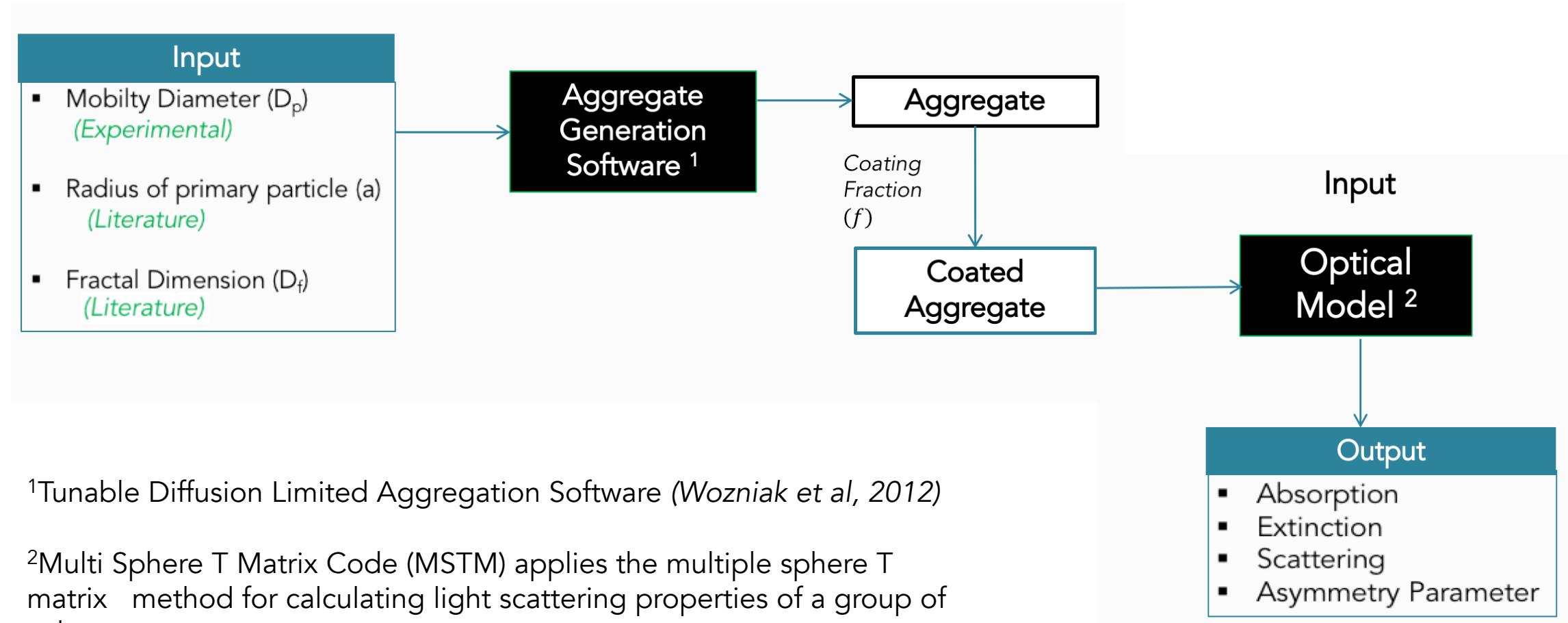


Campaign 2

- Nine generators
- BC with organics



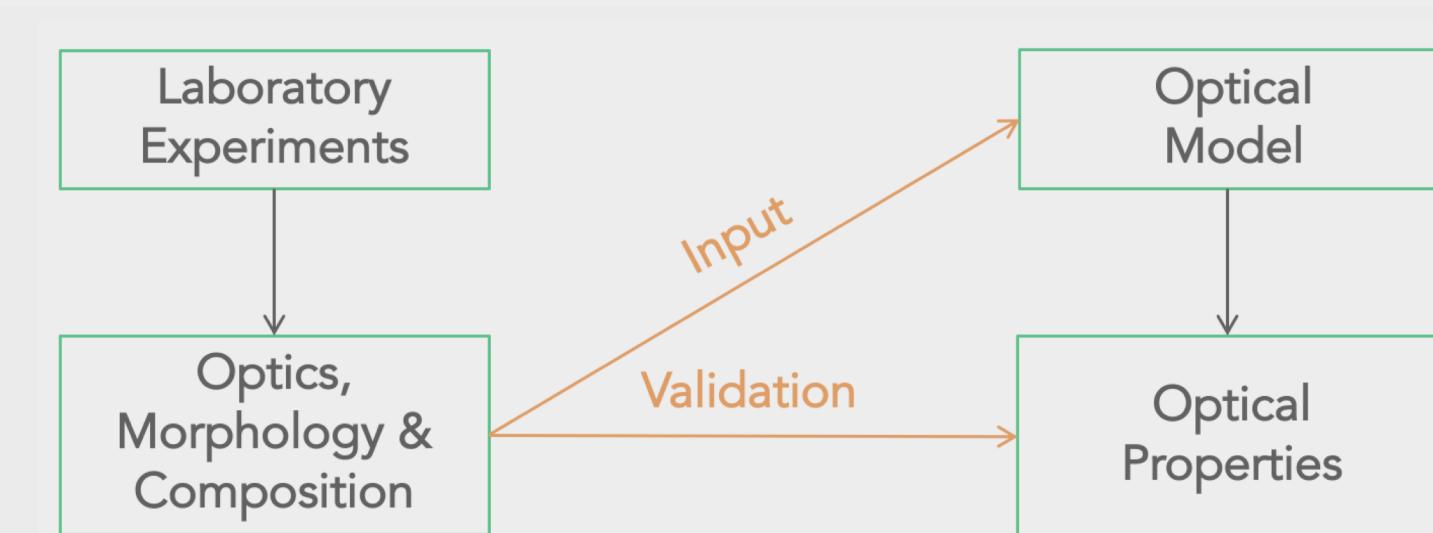
Methodology for Modeling



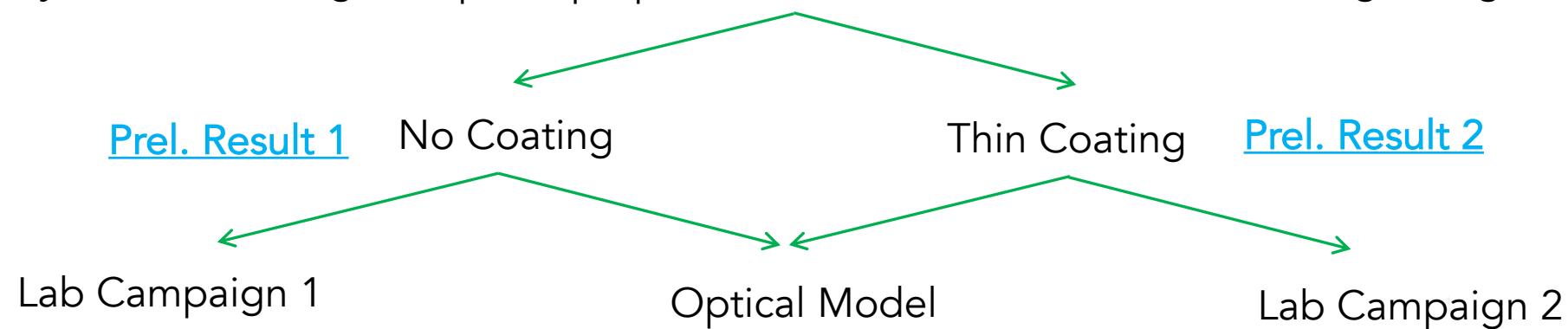
¹Tunable Diffusion Limited Aggregation Software (*Wozniak et al, 2012*)

²Multi Sphere T Matrix Code (MSTM) applies the multiple sphere T matrix method for calculating light scattering properties of a group of spheres.

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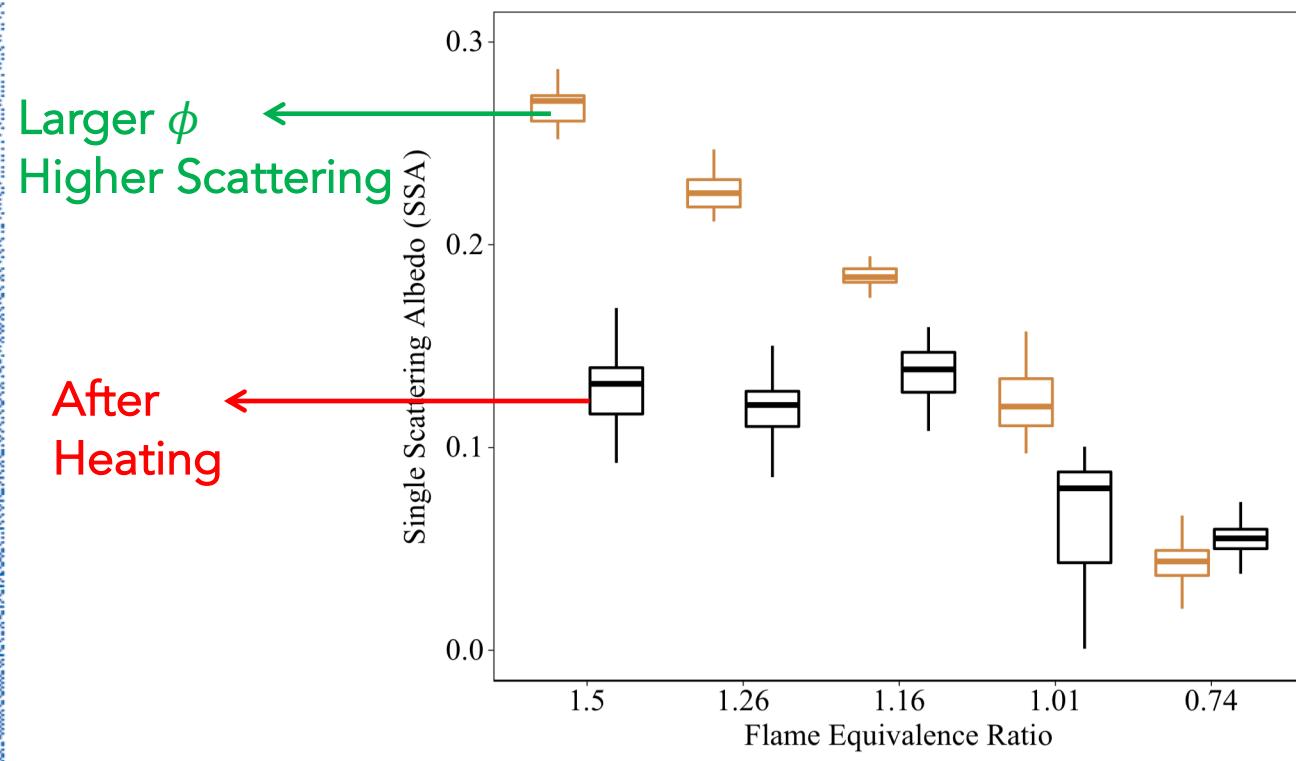


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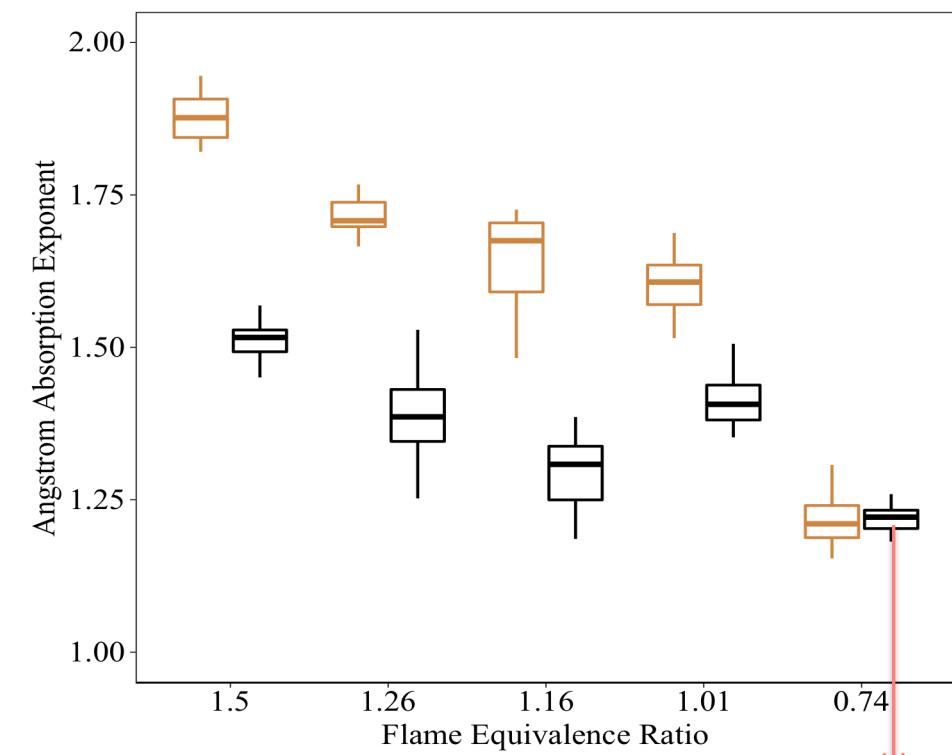


Prel. Result 1. Results from Campaign 1

- From the first campaign, the SSA at different flame equivalence ratios¹ (ϕ) :



- Pure BC \Rightarrow Optical properties modeled
- Dependency on size, morphology and refractive index.



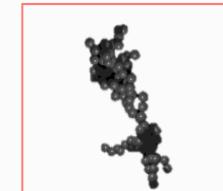
- Case with lowest organics
Experimental SSA = 0.05
 $D_p = 158\text{nm}$

¹ Ratio of fuel to oxygen

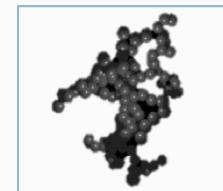
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Prel. Result 1. Modeled Results from Campaign 1

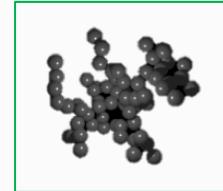
- D_f is expected to be 1.7 for fresh soot.
- Considering the particles : $D_f = 1.7 \rightarrow$



$$D_f = 1.9 \rightarrow$$

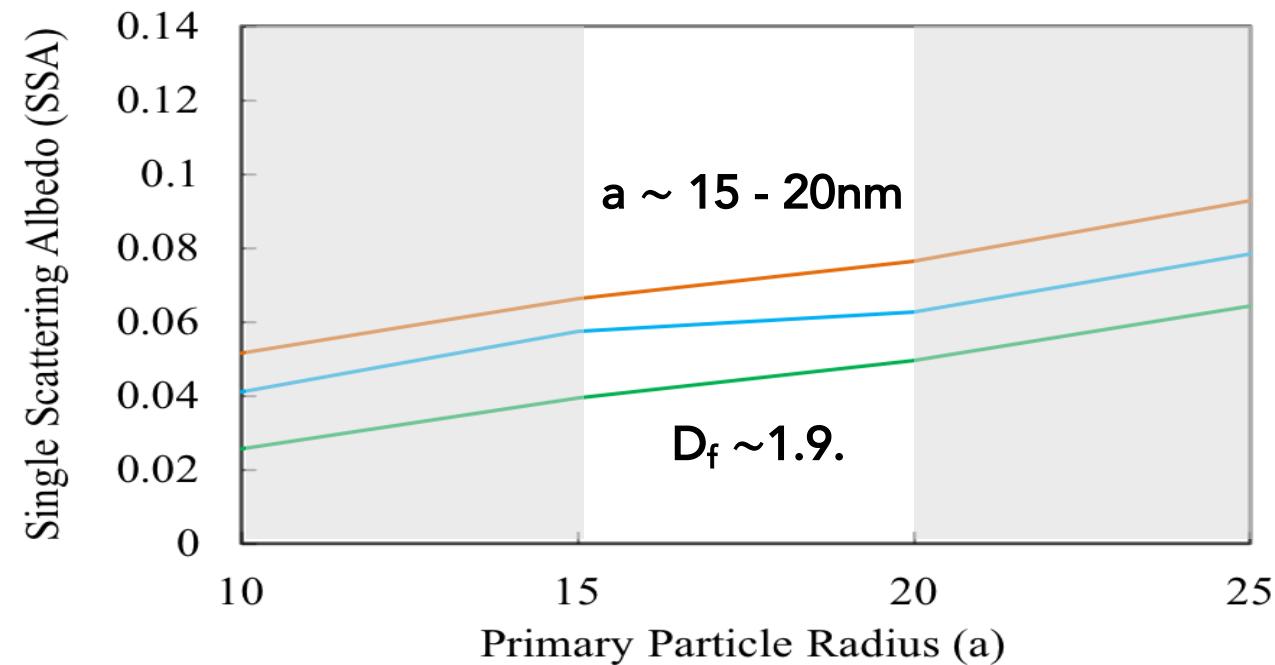


$$D_f = 2.0 \rightarrow$$



- Considering primary particle size = 10 – 25nm

Exp. SSA
= 0.05



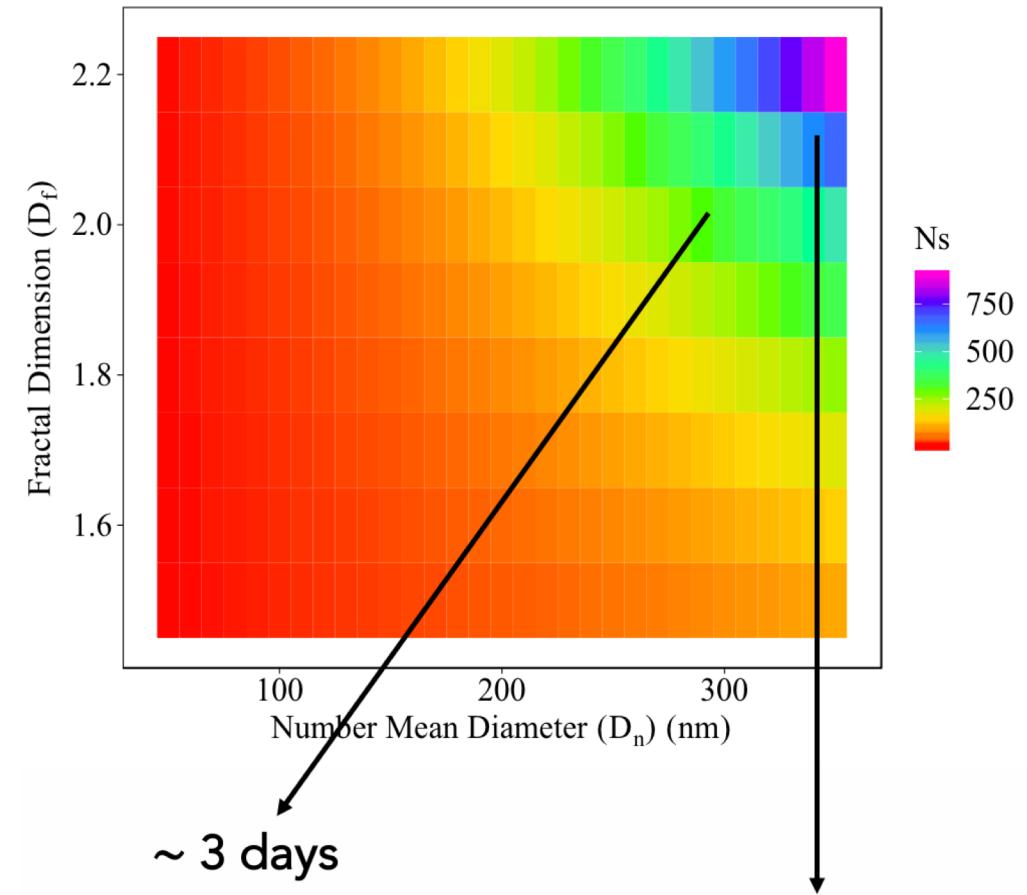
- Results - $SSA_{a=25} = 1.5 * SSA_{a=15}$

Prel. Result 2.- In Second Campaign,

- Number Mean Mobility Diameters (D_n) upto 300 nm.
- For primary particle radius (a) = 15nm & $D_f = 1.5 - 2.2$
 - Number of primary particles (N_s) = 10 to 780.
(Power law, Park et al, 2004)

$$N_s = k' \left(\frac{D_n}{2a} \right)^{1.26 \times D_f}$$

- Organics = 20% to 70% (higher than expected).
- MSTM Code is set up to model optical properties of these aggregates with organics.

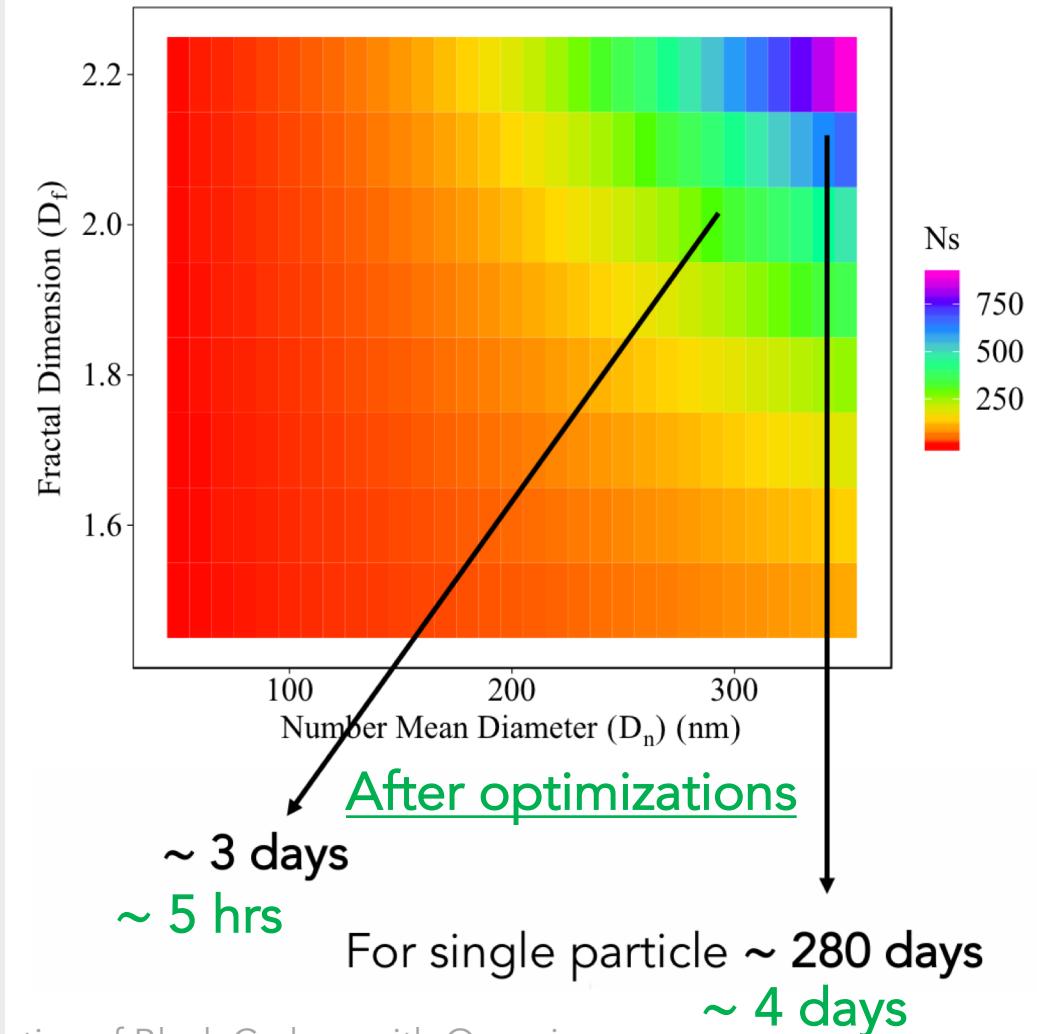


Optimizations needed For single particle ~ 280 days

Prel. Result 2.

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- MSTM Code is set up to model optical properties of these aggregates with organics.

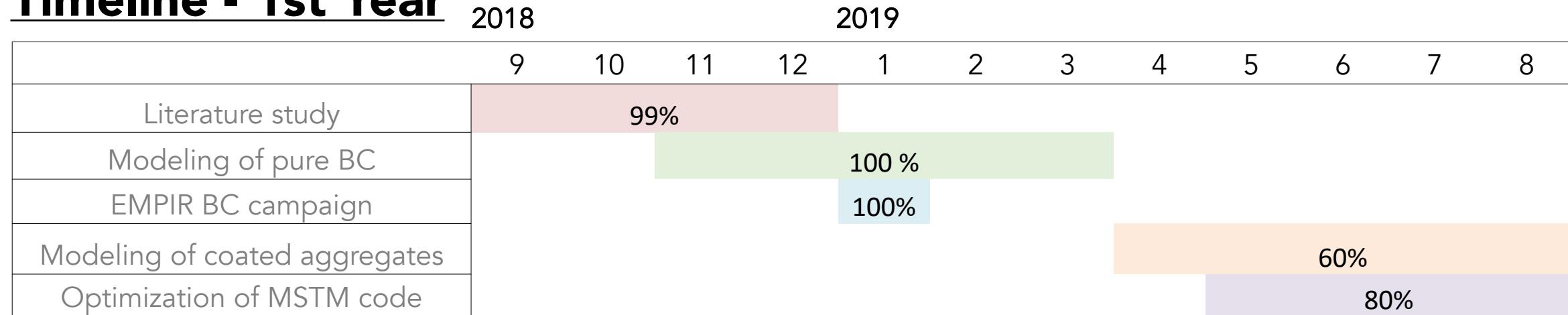
$$N_s = k' \left(\frac{D_n}{2a} \right)^{1.26 \times D_f}$$



Summary

- BC particles harm the **climate , human health and eco – system** in numerous ways.
- Organics, co-emitted with BC, **enhance the absorption** of later.
- Optical models helps in **measuring this enhancement** and **quantifying the various impacts**.
- Parallel experimental studies are required to validate the modeled optical properties.
- **My first objective :** Change in optical properties of black carbon with thin coating of organics.

Timeline - 1st Year



Outlook - Completing the Objective 1 –

- Result analysis and optimization of run time.
- Objective 2 – Investigating the representation of aged BC aggregates for modeling studies.
- Objective 3 – Parametrisations of SSA and AAE with EC/OC for BC with organics.
- Follow up laboratory studies :
 - Mass measurements of single particle.
 - Experiments with controlled coating.

Thank You for listening.

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