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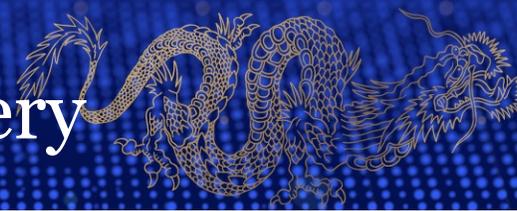
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ESA Third Party Missions	No. Scenes	ESA Missions	No. Scenes	Chinese EO data	No. Scenes
1. OMI		1. Sentinel 3 SLTSR		1. FY-3C MERIS	
2. HIMAWARI		2. Sentinel-5P TROPOMI		2. FY-3A/B/C TOU	
3. MODIS (TERRA&AQUA)		3. Sentinel 5		3.	
4. METOP		4. AEOLUS		4.	
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## Project's objectives:

- Exploitation of satellite remote sensing to improve our understanding of the Mechanisms and Processes affecting Air quality in China

## Results after 2 years of activity:

- CO changes due to COVID regulations
- Mechanisms for changes in O<sub>3</sub> concentration in a subtropical coniferous forest
- Trace gas removal in ice particles and solid particles
- NO<sub>x</sub> emissions derived from TROPOMI (S5p)
- Meteorological and anthropogenic induced changes in the AOD

## Young scientist results:

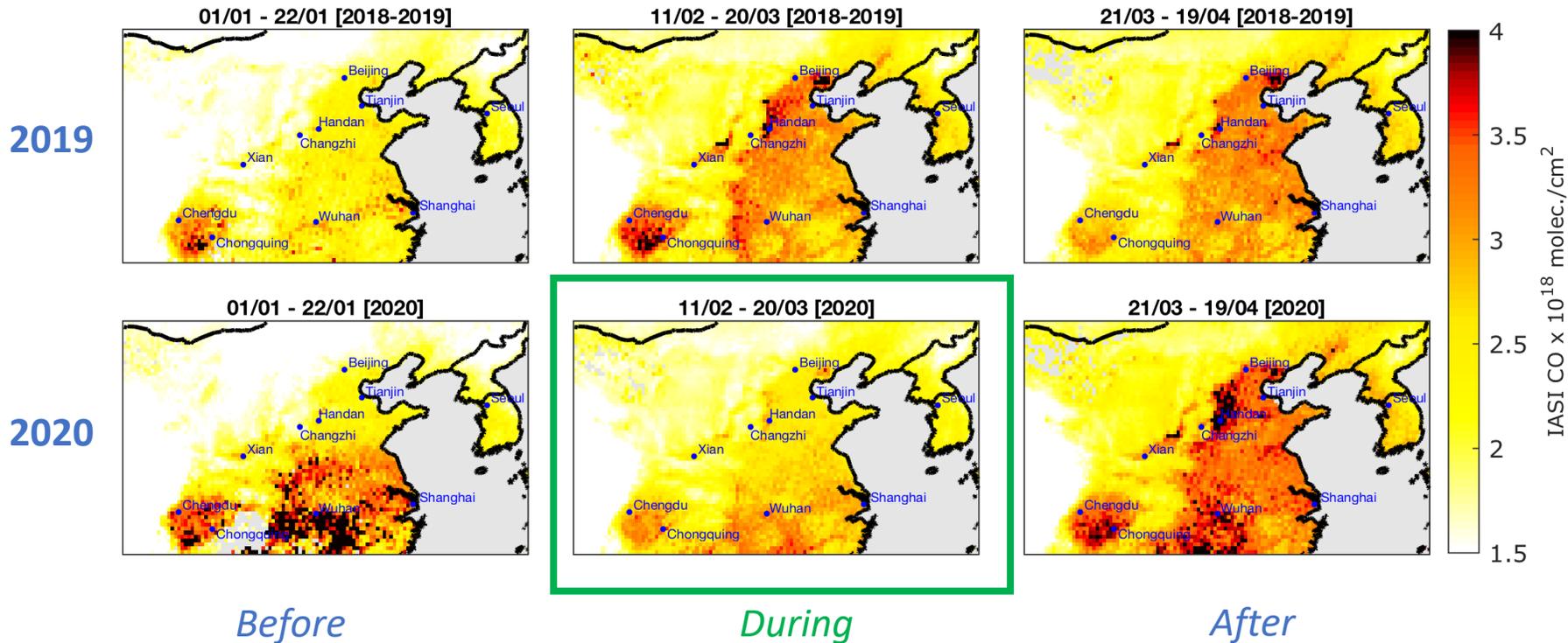
- Drone observations of NO<sub>2</sub> in the boundary layer.
- Ship emissions on inland rivers
- Arctic lightning NO<sub>x</sub>



# Anthropogenic air pollution reduction during 2020 lockdown

IASI remote sensing observations

Carbon monoxide - China

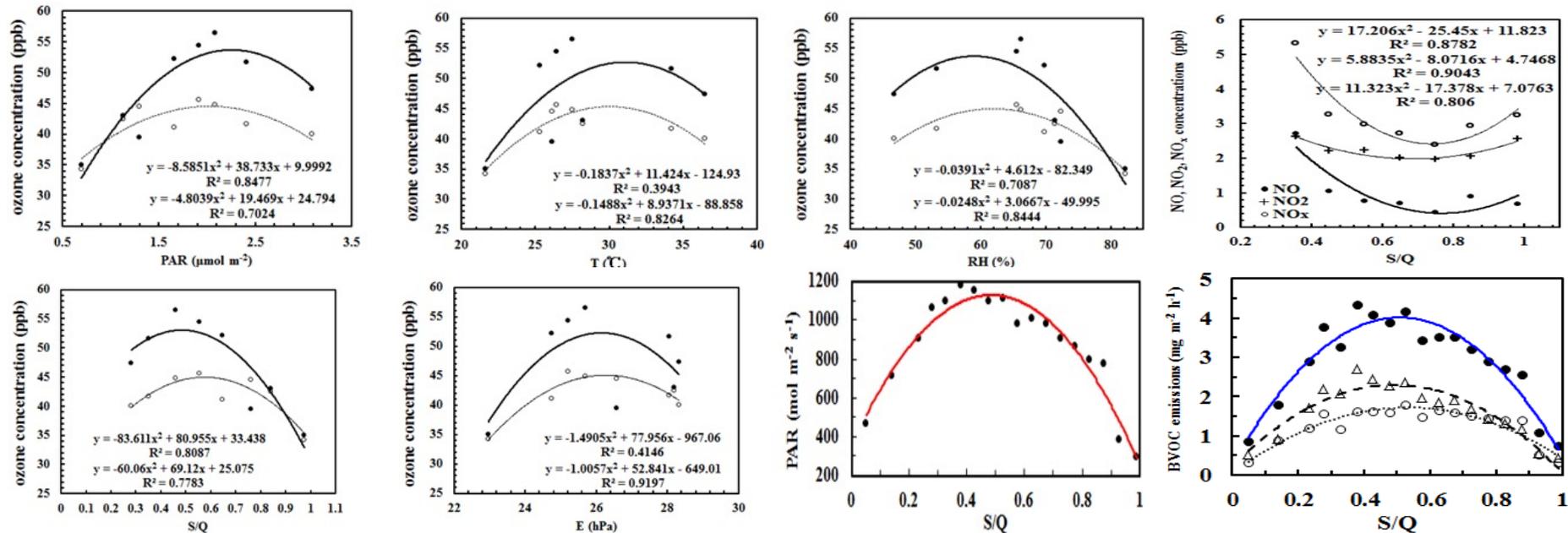


# Relationships/mechanisms between O<sub>3</sub> and its influencing factors

- Empirical model of O<sub>3</sub> concentration in a subtropical coniferous forest

$$e^{-0.1k_3O_3tm} \times \cos(Z) = A_1PAR + A_2e^{-a_1ISOm} \times \cos(Z) + A_3 e^{-kWm} \times \cos(Z) + A_4 e^{-S/Q} + A_0$$

- The ratio of diffuse and global radiation (S/Q) is an important indicator of interaction between solar radiation and atmospheric composition.
- The atmospheric substances (GLPs controlling S/Q) determine the turning points for O<sub>3</sub>, BVOCs, particles, and also for meteorological factors, air temperature (T), relative humidity (RH), water vapor (E).
- Solar radiation (PAR) is a vital energy source **controlling the changes of atmospheric constituents and atmospheric states**



**Fig.** The relationships between O<sub>3</sub> concentration and its influencing factors (left), as well as between **PAR** and S/Q (middle), NO, NO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> and S/Q (up right), and **BVOC emissions** and S/Q (bottom right).

**S, Q: diffuse and global radiation.**

(Bai, 2021, Atmosphere; Bai, 2021, Ecology and Environmental Sciences)



# On the tropospheric gases removal due to their diffusion in ice particles

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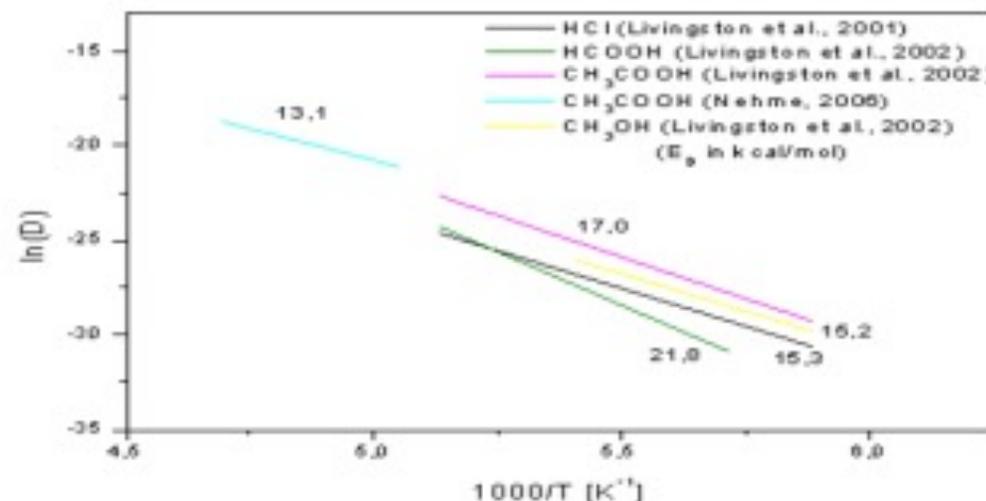
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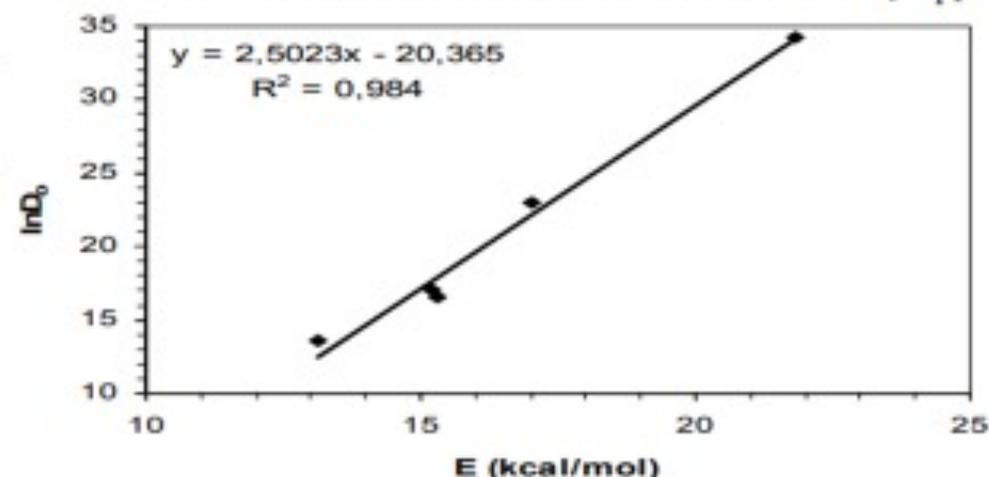
When in a solid a single diffusion mechanism is operative, the diffusion coefficient,  $D$ , is often found to obey an Arrhenius type behaviour, i.e.  $D = D_0 \exp[-E/(k_B T)]$

Summary of rate parameters for the diffusion coefficients of selected compounds in ice.

	$E$ (kcal/mol)	$D_0$ (cm <sup>2</sup> /s)	$D$ (180 K) (cm <sup>2</sup> /s)	$T$ (K) Ref.
HCl	15.3±1.0	$1.5 \times 10^{7 \pm 0.2}$	$4.83 \times 10^{-12}$	169.0–194.9; Livingston et al., 2001
HCOOH	21.8±0.9	$8 \times 10^{14 \pm 0.1}$	$2.42 \times 10^{-12}$	175.1–194.9; Livingston et al., 2002
CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	17.0±0.7	$1.0 \times 10^{10 \pm 0.1}$	$2.08 \times 10^{-11}$	169.9–194.9; Livingston et al., 2002
	13.14±3.0	$0.813 \times 10^{6 \pm 3.2}$	$8.6 \times 10^{-11}$	198–213; Nehme, 2006
CH <sub>3</sub> OH	15.2±0.7	$2.4 \times 10^{7 \pm 0.3}$	$7.8 \times 10^{-12}$	169.4–185.4; Livingston et al., 2002



**Fig. 1.** Arrhenius plots for temperature dependent diffusion coefficients for various species in ice as obtained by the LRD depth-profiling technique (Livingston et al., 2001, 2002) and chemical titration (Nehme, 2006). The figures on the individual lines are activation energies (in kcal/mol) as derived by the authors.



**Fig. 2.** Relationship between the pre-exponential factor  $D_0$  of the diffusion coefficient and the activation energy  $E$ .

## CONCLUSIONS

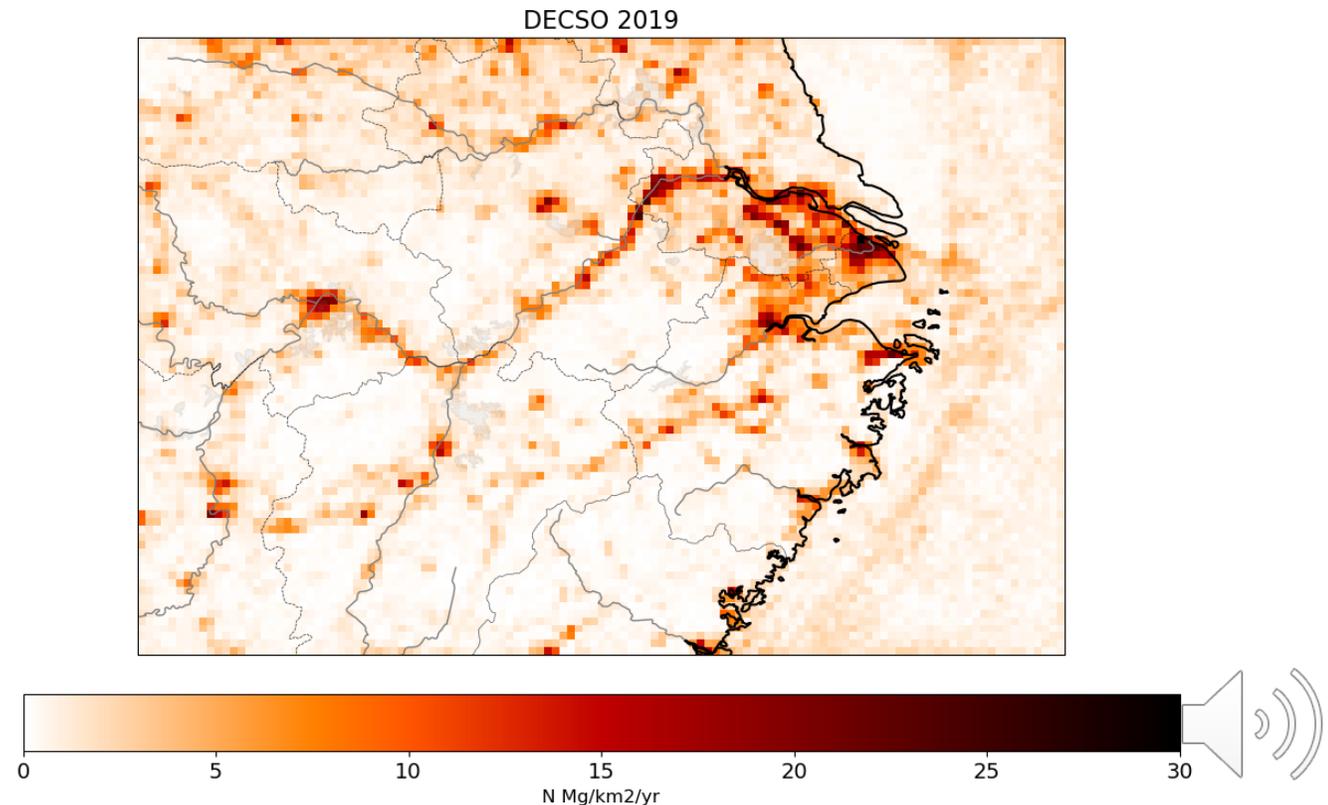
From Figures 1 and 2 it is argued that the diffusion in ice of these compounds is governed by a vacancy – mediated mechanism, i.e., H<sub>2</sub>O vacancies are required to diffuse to lattice sites adjacent to these compounds prior to the diffusion of the corresponding molecule into the vacancy sites. In addition, we show that the diffusion coefficients of these compounds exhibit a specific interconnection, i.e., a linear relationship holds between the logarithm of the pre-exponential factor,  $D_0$ , and the activation energy  $E$ . Based on this conclusion we also calculated the tropospheric O<sub>3</sub> removal due to its diffusion in solid particles (e.g., dust and black carbon particles or in cirrus clouds).

DECSO version 6.1 using superobservations based on the TROPOMI NO<sub>2</sub> retrieval v.2 (PAL data set) and the latest version of CHIMERE (version 2020r3).

Spatial resolution: 10 km

Temporal resolution: daily

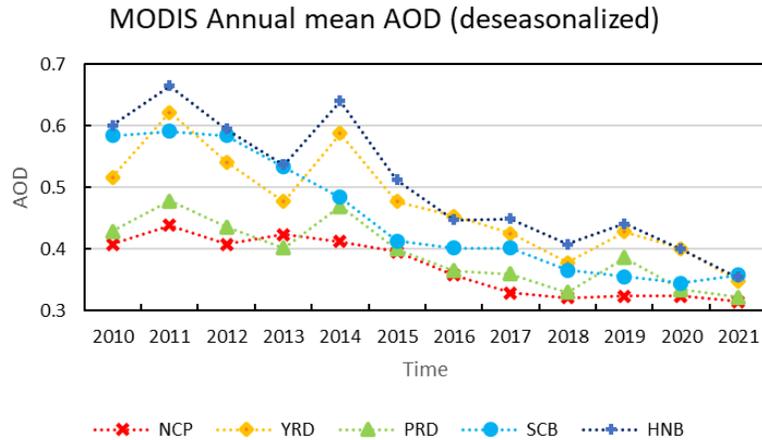
For ship emissions from the Yangtze river:  
see poster (ID 163) of Xiumei Zhang



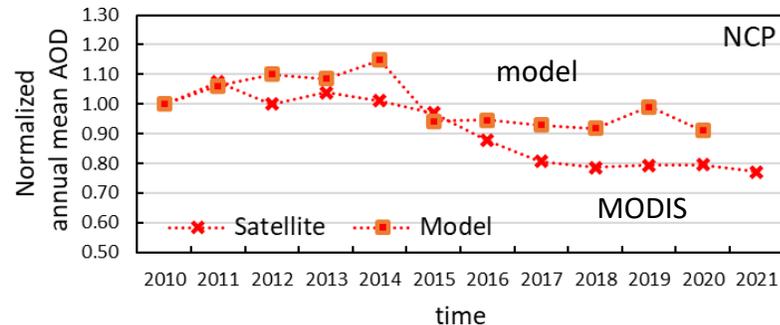
# Meteorological and anthropogenic induced changes in the AOD over China

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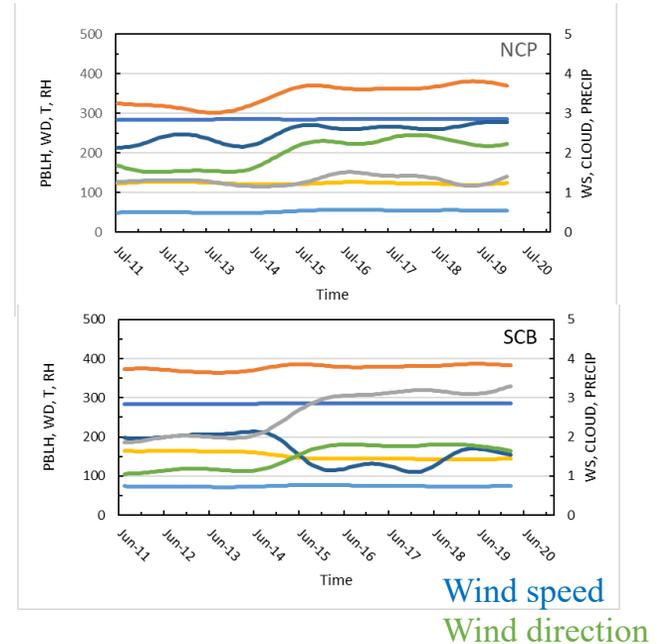
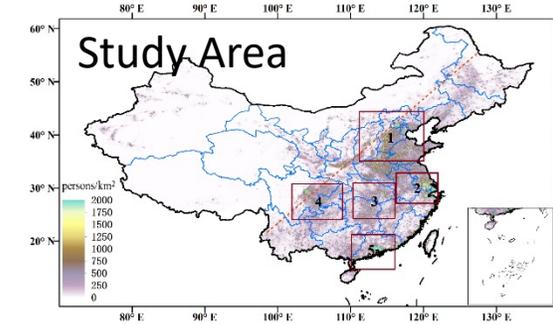
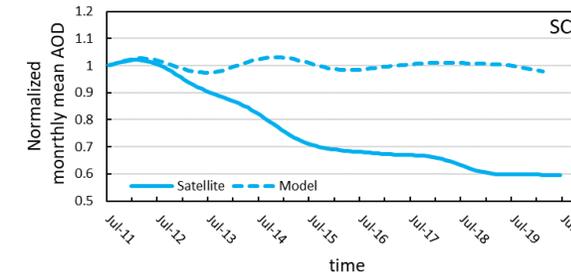
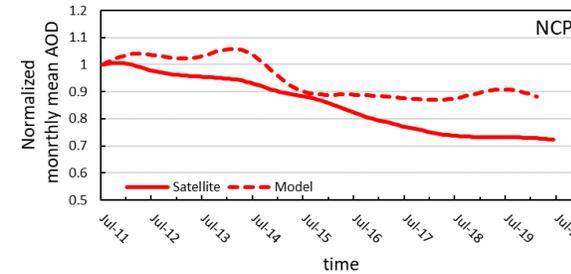
Satellite data show the **decline of AOD** over China during the last decade. Time series over **5 selected study areas** (see map) also the **flattening** after 2018 (de Leeuw et al., 2018)



To **discriminate between anthropogenic contributions** (emission reduction policies and clean air actions) and natural influences, the satellite data were compared with **model simulations** using the Community Earth System Model (CESM). In these simulations, the runs were made with **actual meteorological data** while **emissions were fixed** to those in 2010. Hence, modeled AOD variations are due to **meteorological influences**, the difference between observed and modeled variations are due to **anthropogenic influences** (Kang et al., 2019).



**Results:** after **normalization** and application of a **low-pass filter** to remove short-term fluctuations such as seasonal influences, the **meteorological and anthropogenic influences have been determined**. Results over NCP and SCB are shown as examples, together with meteorological data.



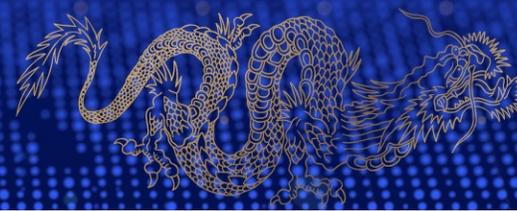
## Conclusions:

- Strong differences between the five regions
- Substantial changes in meteorological contributions around 2014/2015, with remarkable changes in both wind speed and wind direction
- Complete results in de Leeuw et al. (2022), submitted

## References:

de Leeuw et al. (2018) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apr.2022.101359>.  
Kang et al. (2019) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.atmosres.2018.09.012>





## Europe

- Mirjam den Hoed (KNMI). Travelling to China is currently complicated, therefore no new campaign has been joined. She is currently analysing data from an earlier (pre-covid) campaign, which she participated.

## China

- Xin Zhang (NUIST): he has stayed at KNMI from October 2021 – September 2022 to use TROPOMI observations to study Arctic source, in particular lightning.
- Xiumei Zhang (NUIST): she is currently visiting KNMI for one year, to study ship emissions in the Yangtze River Delta and in the Rotterdam region using AIS and satellite data





Name	Institution	Poster title	Contribution
Xin Zhang	NUIST, Nanjing	Lightning NO2 in the Arctic	Poster ID 165
Xiumei Zhang	NUIST, Nanjing	The Impact Of Inland Ship Emissions On Air Quality	Poster ID 163





Name	Institution	Poster title	Contribution
Mirjam den Hoed	KNMI, The Netherlands	Measurement Of Vertical In-situ Nitrogen Dioxide Profiles Near Nanjing Using a Quadcopter	Poster ID 188



# Unique drone measurements of NO<sub>2</sub>

*KNMI has developed a lightweight, accurate NO<sub>2</sub>-sensor that was deployed on a quadcopter near Nanjing to measure vertical in-situ nitrogen dioxide profiles.*

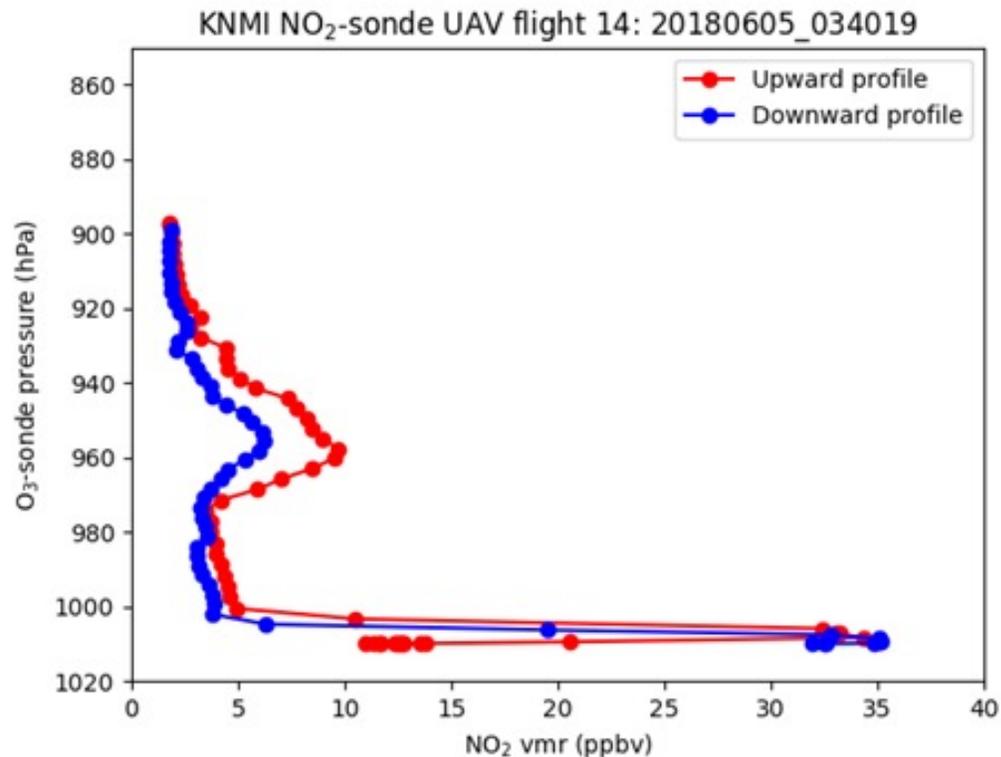
## Summary of KNMI NO<sub>2</sub>-sonde activities:

- 1-14 June 2018
- 13 days of measurements
- 6 flights / day
  - morning: 8 AM; afternoon: 12 & 4 PM; evening: 8 PM and night: 12 & 4 AM
- ~ 50 NO<sub>2</sub> vertical profiles within PBL (900-1300m)
- 2 side-by-side inter comparisons with NO<sub>2</sub> monitor at NUIST
- Ancillary bicycle and ground measurements



# Results: measurements clearly demonstrate the diurnal cycle of NO<sub>2</sub>

Example of elevated NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations close to the surface during the night and early morning:



Example of a flat NO<sub>2</sub> vertical profile shape with lower concentrations due to mixing of the PBL from sunrise onward:

