



Co-benefit Thinking to Link Atmospheric Chemistry Research to Pollution-Reduction Policy

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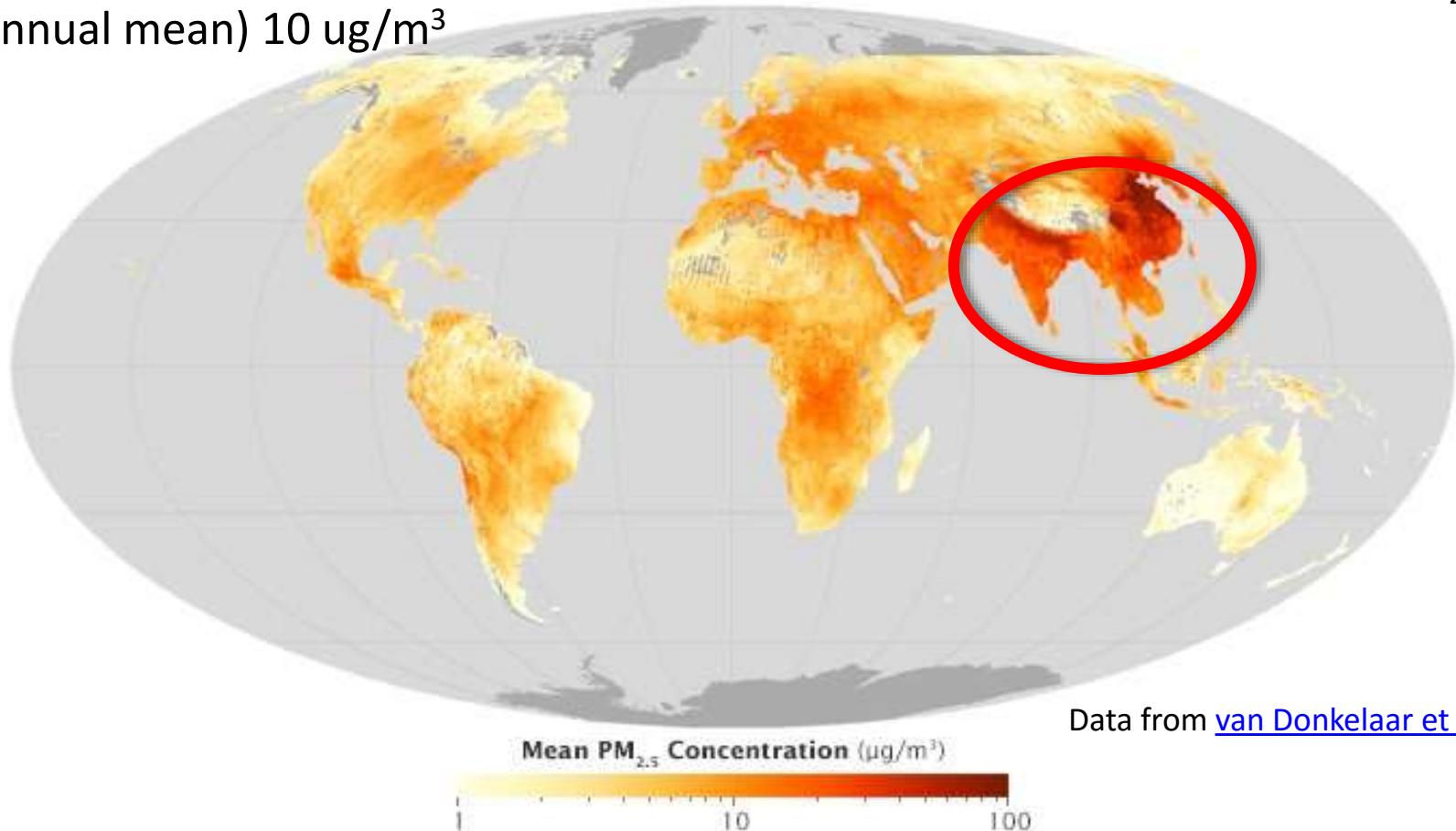
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Fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) concentration for 2010-2012 without dust and sea salt included

PM_{2.5}: Particulate matter (or aerosols), aerodynamic diameter is less than 2.5 micrometer

- a classified human carcinogen, a major environmental health problem
- World Health Organization (WHO) recommended guideline for PM_{2.5}: (annual mean) 10 µg/m³



Climate Change makes air pollution worse

**air pollution contributed to heart disease,
stroke, lung cancer, bronchitis, emphysema
and acute infections**

[Brauer et al., 2016; The Guardian, Feb. 12, 2016]

**Air pollution: a dark cloud of filth poisons
the world's cities**

The number of annual deaths caused by pollution around the world is now greater than malaria and HIV combined, according to a recent study, with scientists warning that fatalities could reach 6 million a year by 2050

**Scientists: air pollution led to more than
5.5 million premature deaths in 2013**

More than half of the deaths were in India and China, and researchers compared air pollution problem to the conditions under centuries of industrial revolution



According to scientists, conditions caused by air pollution killed 1.6 million people in China and 1.4 million people in India in 2013. Photograph: Xiaolu Chu/Getty Images

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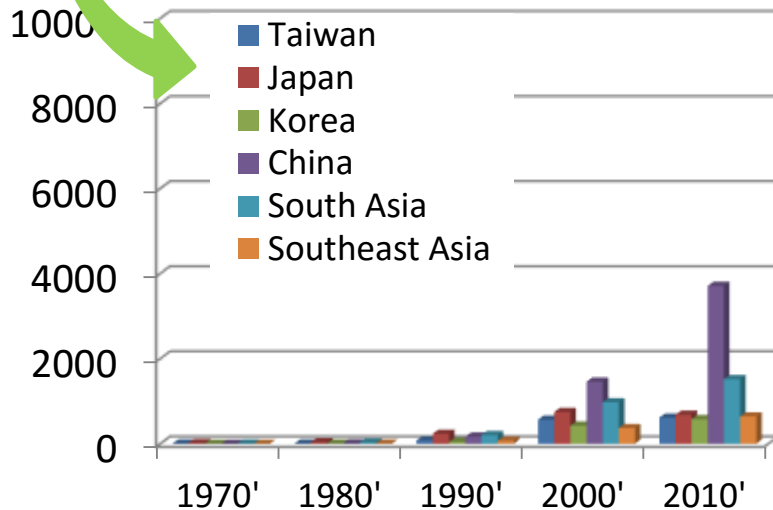
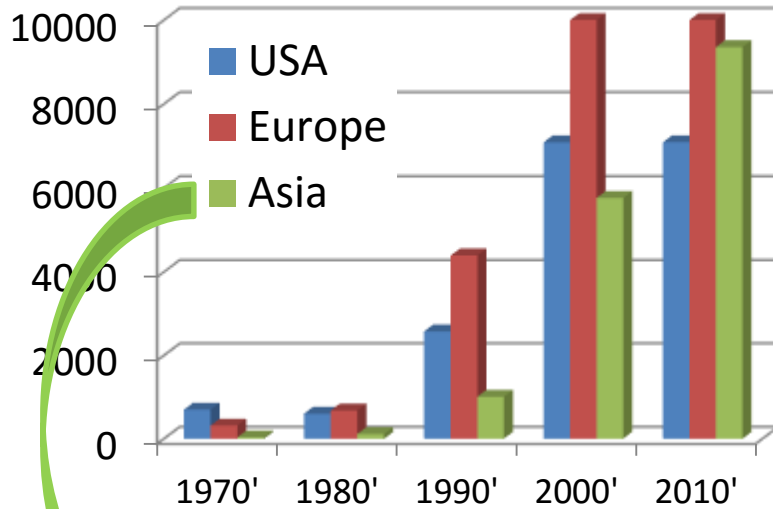


Heavy smog in the Lujiazui financial district of Shanghai.
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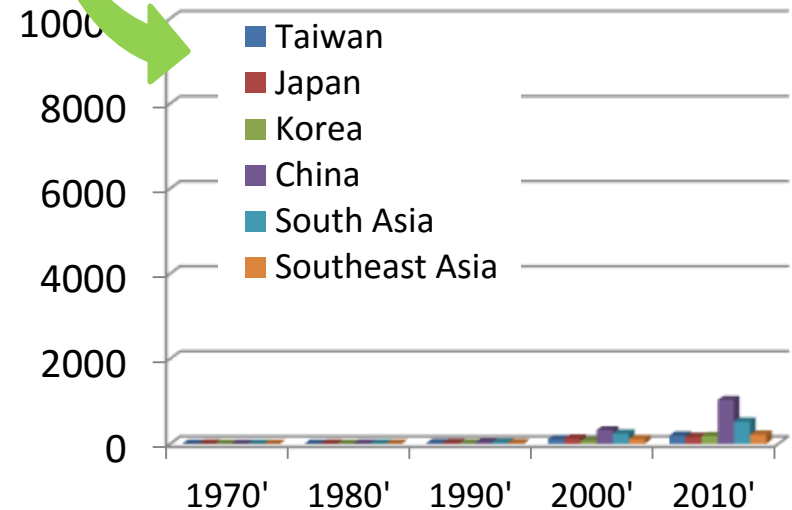
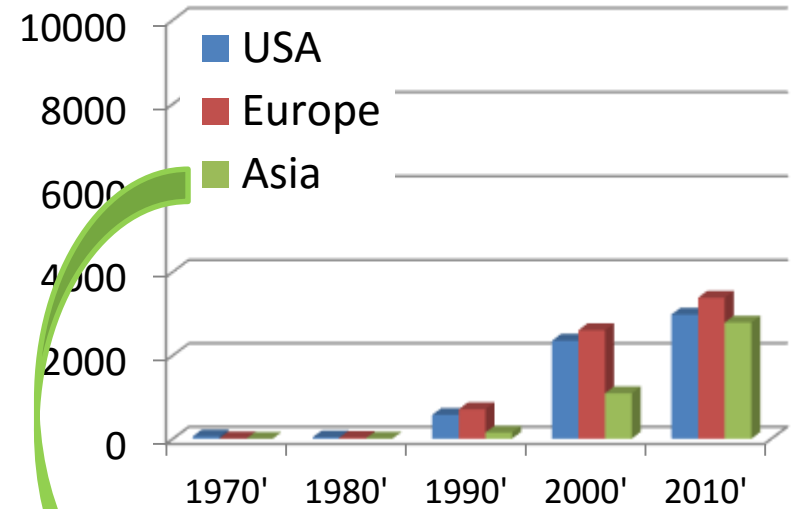
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A systems approach to evaluating the air quality co-benefits of US carbon policies

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Because human activities emit greenhouse gases (GHGs) and conventional air pollutants from sources that are often the same, policies designed to reduce GHGs can have co-benefits for air quality that may offset some or all of the costs of the policies.

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Co-benefits of mitigating global greenhouse gas emissions for future air quality and human health

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Reducing global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions often yields co-benefits for air quality and human health. Global GHG emission reductions are modelled in the Representative Concentration Pathway 4.5 (RCP4.5) scenario¹.

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Pursuing air pollutant co-benefits of CO₂ mitigation in China: A provincial level analysis

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Co-benefits

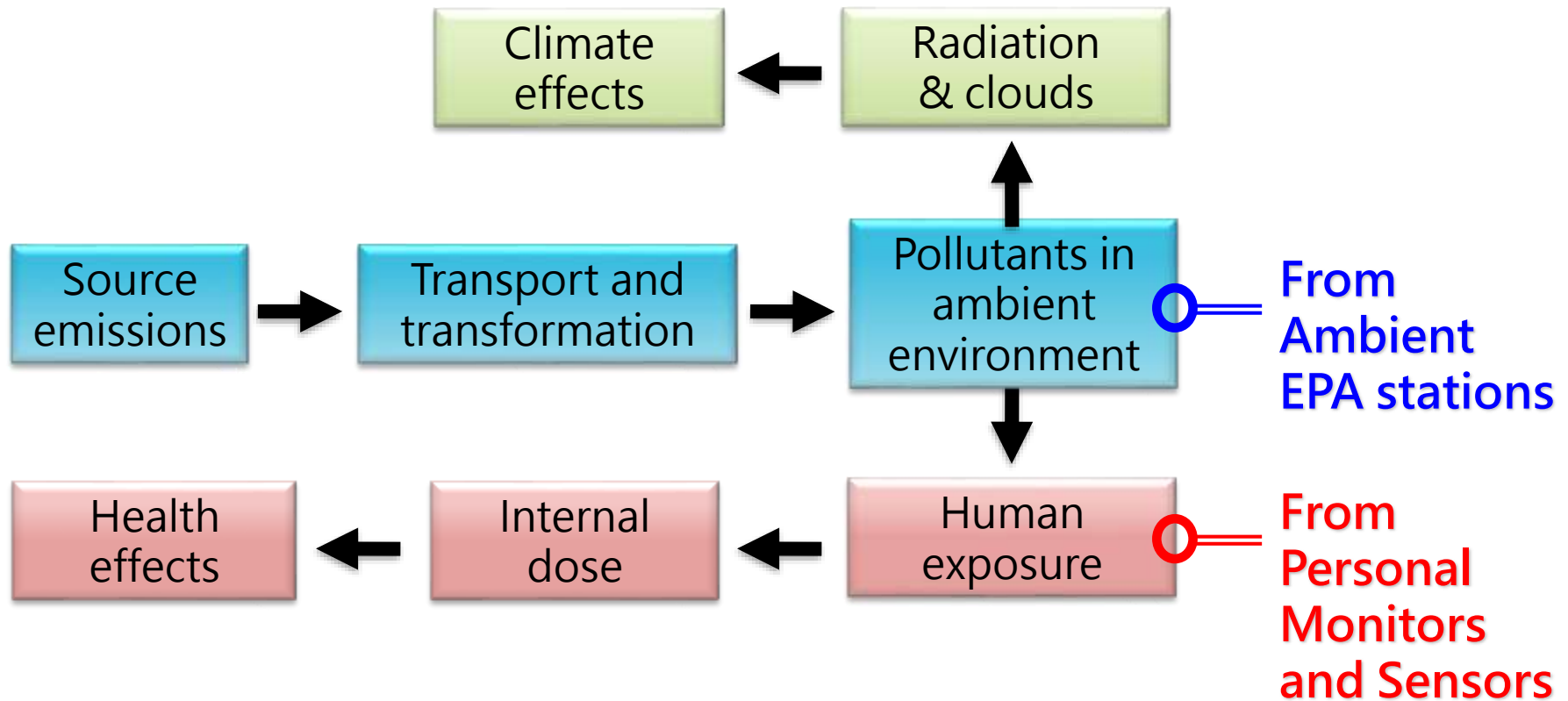
Emphases in **futurearth**
research for global sustainability

- Fundamental to user-inspired solution-oriented earth system research
- Cross-disciplinary collaboration
- International collaboration
- Stakeholder engagement

Co-Benefit Thinking

- Scientists and society
- Among different disciplines
- Among countries
- Among scientists and different stakeholders

Progression of Particles from Emissions to Health/Climate Effects

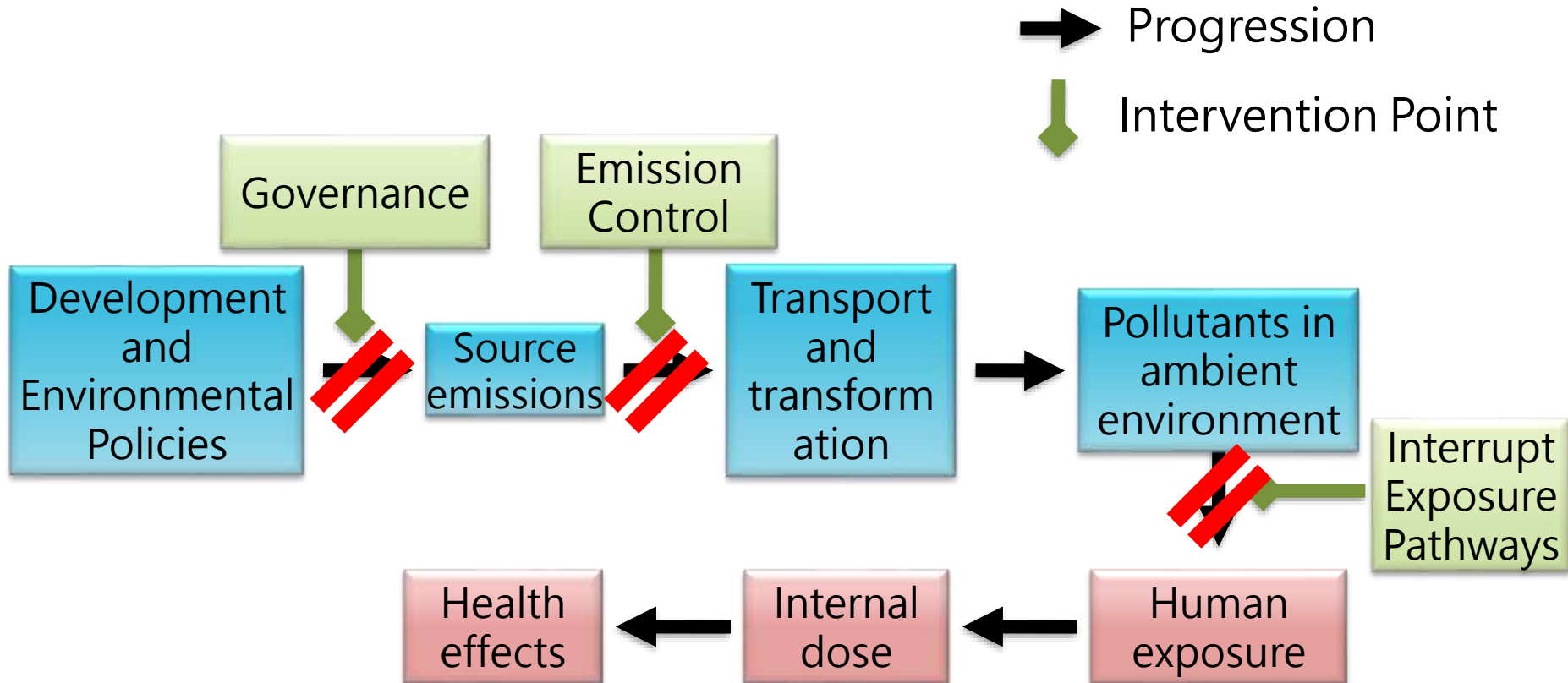


Why is “PM_{2.5} exposure concentration” important?

- More accurate estimates for exposure, more accurate estimates for damage coefficients of exposure-health relationships
 - 17% increase in all-cause mortality when more spatially resolved exposure estimates were used for a LA subgroup of the American Cancer Society population (Jerrett et al., 2005) compared with 6% increase in an earlier study for 10ug/m³ increase in PM_{2.5} for ACS population (Pope III et al., 2002)
- People are directly exposed to freshly emitted aerosols with different physio-chemical properties compared to ambient aerosols
- Peak exposures, which may induce asthmatic attacks and other health effects, are much higher than ambient levels



Potential **intervention points** to reduce health impacts of air pollution





Questions asked ourselves

- What are the **controllable factors** that our study can identify?
- Can we provide **policy recommendations** that can reduce the impacts of the identified controllable factors and actually reduce air pollutant levels
- What policy recommendations can we make based on our study results that are **different** compared to previous policies?



Scientific Challenges Could Be Tackled by Atmospheric Chemists

- **Source characterization** of freshly emitted particles from community sources and personal activities
 - ex. **Critical physio-chemical properties** and **major toxic constituents** of $PM_{2.5}$ which are responsible for major health effects
- **Source apportionment** of air pollutants in the ambient air and human exposure
 - ex. **Analytical methods** for organic molecular markers
- **Fundamental mechanisms** which facilitate policy makers to prioritize pollution control
 - ex. Mechanisms lead to development of inexpensive, light-weight, easy-to-use **sensing devices**
- **Chemical processes** which links to policy responses
 - ex. **Chemical transformation mechanisms** of particles after encountering with building materials
 - ex. Better **street canyon models** with chemical transformation process as a tool for spatial distribution of $PM_{2.5}$ in community scale
- **Cross-scale studies** link local, regional and global scales of atmospheric chemistry gaps

■ Regional Aspect: Community Air-Pollutant Sources in Asian Cities

Asian style restaurant



Night market



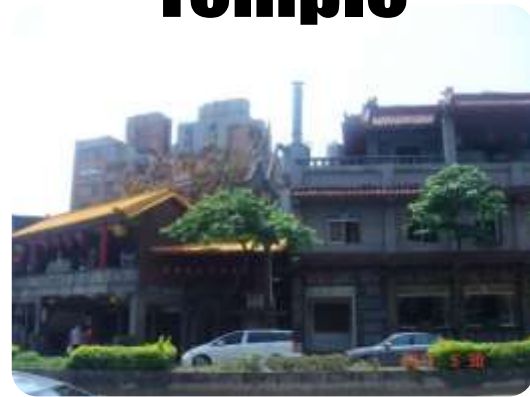
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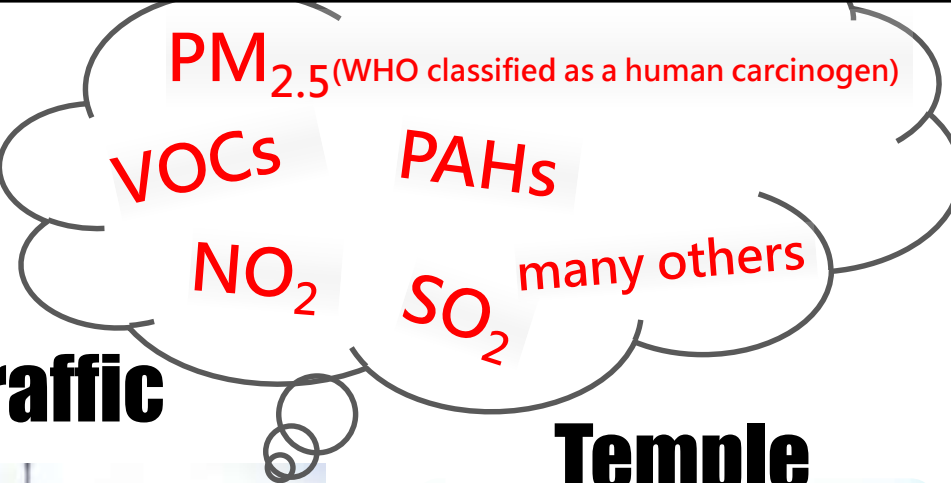
Hair salon



Temple



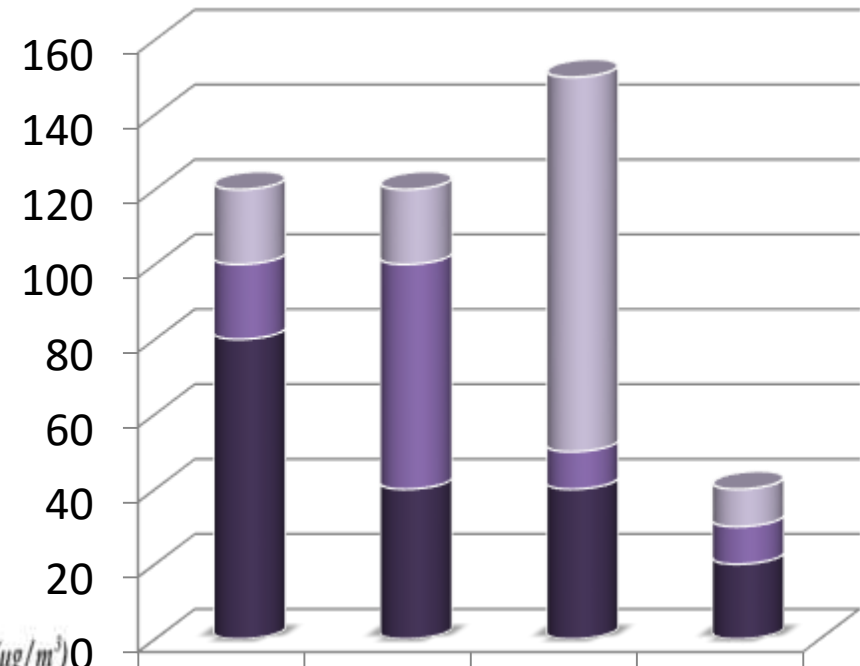
Car salon



Spatial Variability of PM_{2.5} levels within a Taiwanese community



**Exposure Level = Ambient level
+ Community source contribution
+ Personal activity contribution**



Personal Activity
 Community Source
 Ambient Level

Community Sources in Asia

Different Vehicles in Asia

(Cambodia, Sri Lanka, the Philippines)



Street Vendors in Asia

(China, Sri Lanka, Thailand)



Other sources: rice-straw burning, garbage open-burning, etc.

light-weight personal **PM_{2.5} Sampler**



PEM

- Personal Environmental Monitors
- SKC 761-203
- 37 mm Teflon filter

Elutriator

- Avoid wind interfering
- Carbon-filled Teflon surface to prevent static effect

Pump

- Portable with battery
- Flow rate: 4 L/min

- Subjects wear this sampling package for 24-hour to assess daily exposure
- 2-kg weight with low-level noise and vibration
- Need micro-balance with readability of 1 μg

Scientific work and study designs for **Incense-burning and Worshippers' Exposure**

(started since 1999)

Controllable Factors!

Focus	Setting	Exposure factors
Emission Factors	Laboratory	Incense materials, combustion condition
Daily worshipping	Household environments	Closed vs. ventilated conditions; distance from censers; during-burning vs. after-burning
Monthly worshipping	temples	No. of incense used; no. of censers; No. of incense left in censers; dates of visit; etc
Annual worshipping	Ta-chia Ma-tzu Goddess Parade	Before parade vs. during parade; Time stayed in temples; riding motorcycles vs. driving cars

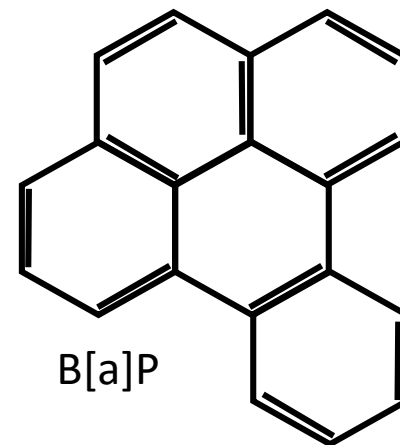
Worshippers' Exposure to PM_{2.5} and Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)

- Incense-burning:
 - a long-lasting Chinese traditional to pay respect to ancestors
 - a ceremonial practices in Buddhism and Taoism; 60% of Taiwanese are either Buddhism or Taoism [Taiwan IOSH, 2000]
 - producing PM_{2.5} and particulate PAHs

- PAHs

- 16 PAHs: USEPA Priority Pollutants
- Probable carcinogens
- most toxic one: Benzo[a]pyrene
- GC-MS and LC-MS/MS for analysis

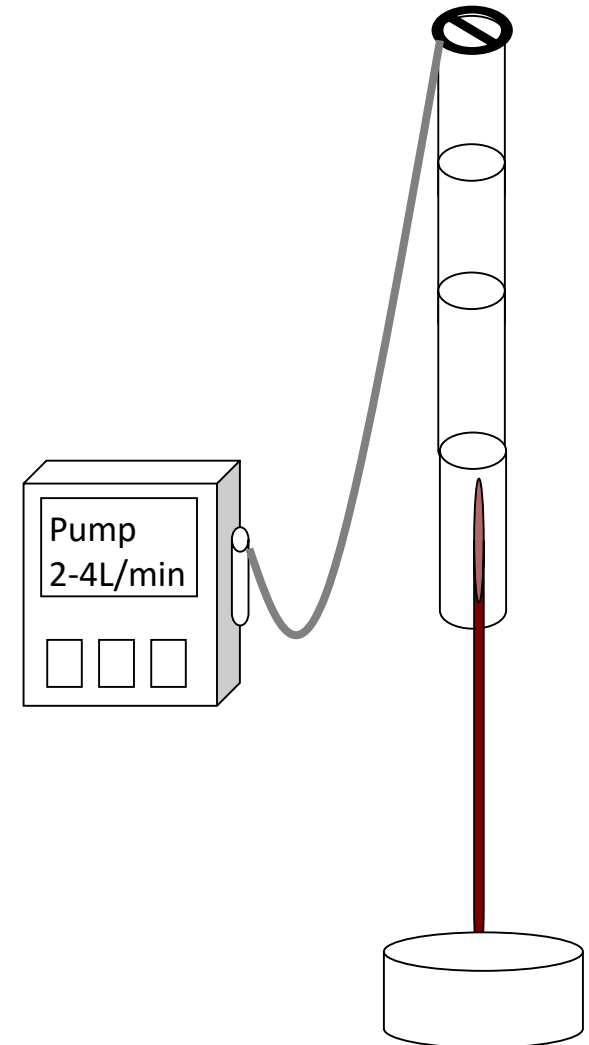
[Lung and Liu, 2011, *Analytical Chemistry*, 83(12):4955-4961]



Emission Factors of Incense-burning

[Lung & Hu, Chemosphere, 50, 673-679, 2003]

- Objectives: assessing emission factors of $PM_{2.5}$ and PAHs in the lab
- $PM_{2.5}$
 - Emission rate: 561.1-661.4 $\mu\text{g}/\text{min}$ per stick
 - Emission factors: 19.8-43.6 mg/g ; **32.6-52.7 mg/stick**
 - **Higher than one cigarette: $14 \pm 4 \text{ mg } PM_{2.5}$**
- PAHs
 - Emission rate
 - Emission factors 17.1-25.2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{g}$; **28.3-30.5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{stick}$**
 - Higher than one cigarette: 1 μg PAHs

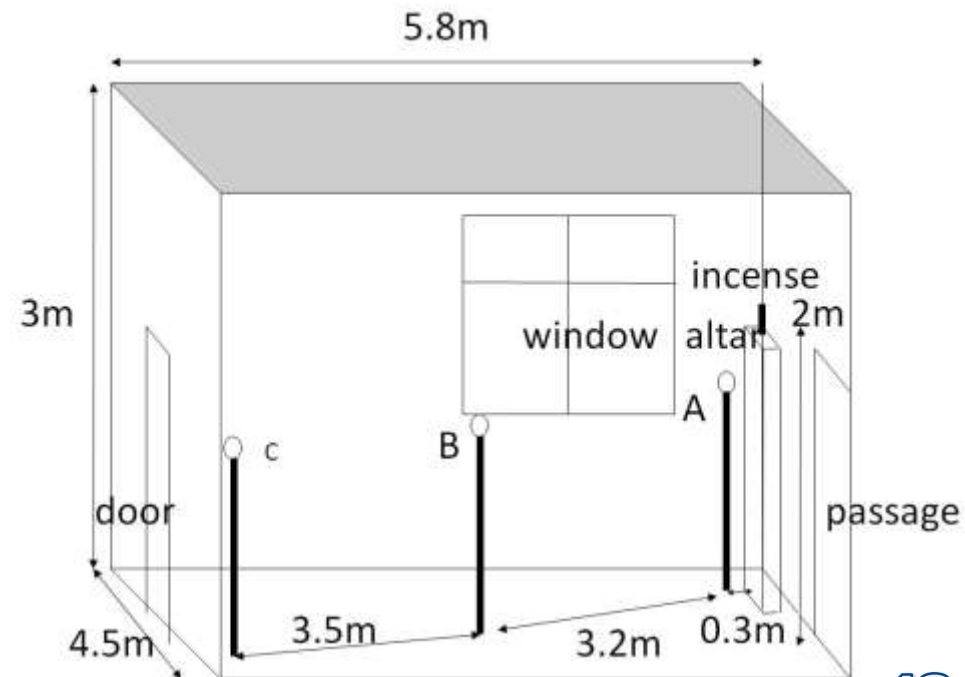


Worshippers' Exposure in Indoor Environments

[Lung & Kao, 2003]

- Objectives:
 - quantify indoor PM exposures under two conditions: closed and ventilated
 - examine concentration change with time and distance
- Findings:
 - closed condition: $723\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, 9 times background concentration,
 - ventilated condition: $178\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, 1.7~2 times background concentration

- Real household experiments



Worshippers' Exposure to PM_{2.5} in Temples

[Lung & Kao, JAWMA, 53, 130-135, 2003]

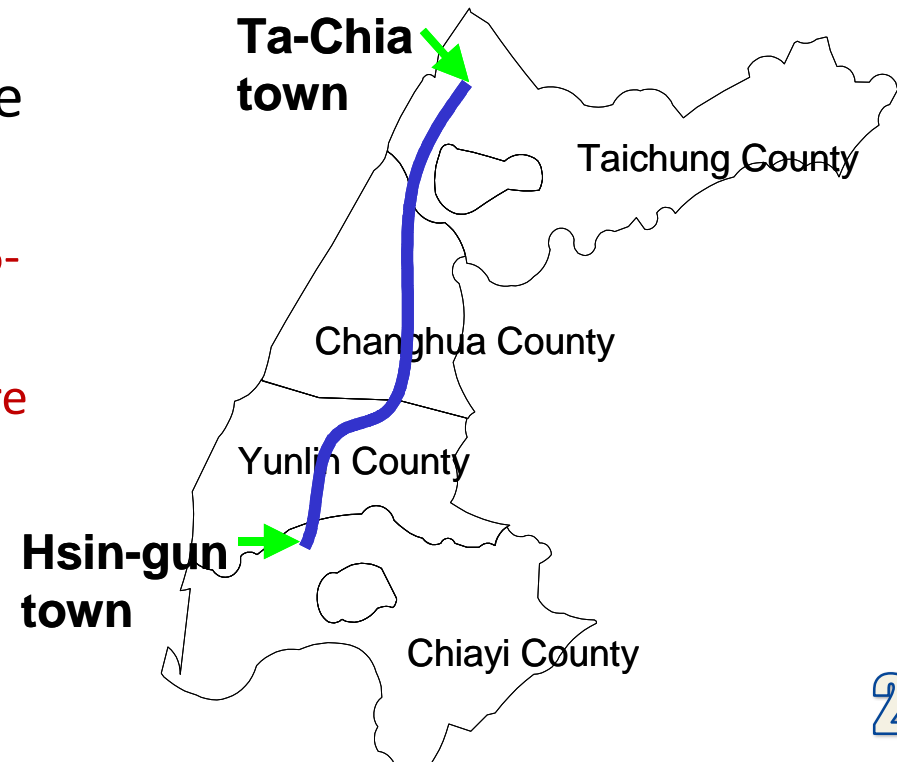
- Objectives :
 - Quantify personal PM_{2.5} exposure of worshippers during temple visits
 - Evaluate the contribution of various exposure factors
- Findings:
 - (1) PM inside temples were 4-6 times higher than outside
 - (2) Each incense stick in the censer contributed 0.52 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ to worshippers' exposure
 - (3) Exposures in the temple with more censers and sticks used had higher (124 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) exposure



Exposure To $PM_{2.5}$ and Gaseous/Particulate PAHs during The Ma-tzu Goddess Parade

[Lung et. al, Journal of Exposure Analysis and Environmental Epidemiology, 14(7) 536-543, 2004]

- Objectives: Assess $PM_{2.5}$, gaseous and particulate PAH exposures to paraders
- Findings: Quantifying contribution of various exposure factors
 - $PM_{2.5}$ Exposure in **parade** were **1.6-2.2 times higher** than otherwise
 - Exposure of **motorcycle riders** were **1.8 times** of those of car drivers
 - **Incremental $PM_{2.5}$ exposure** increase was able to be quantified for every minute in temples



Contribution of incense burning to indoor PM₁₀ and particle-bound polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons under two ventilation conditions

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Participants' exposure to PM_{2.5} and gaseous/particulate polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons during the Ma-tsu Goddess parade

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Generation rates and emission factors of particulate matter and particle-bound polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons of incense sticks

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Winner of “Chiu-sen Award 秋森獎” in 2004 from Chinese Association for Aerosol Research in Taiwan



- For contribution of incense-burning research, exposure characterization, and exposure factor evaluation for PM and particulate PAHs

My scientific findings got local press's attentions

中華民國八十九年十月七日 / 星期六

民生報

寺廟懸浮微粒 為居家5~16倍

長期吸入 恐有害健康

【記者林秀英／報導】燒香是國人特殊的宗教習慣，中山醫學院公共衛生學系家庭科也很普遍。調查顯示，香爐煙度可高到三百九十，甚至可達一千三百三十一單位，甚至可與馬路比擬。

廟宇懸浮微粒 比馬路多4倍

燒香、烹飪、抽菸可能與肺癌已增有關，研究人員建議廟方常清理香爐。記者洪淑惠／台北報導。廟宇焚香時，香煙中懸浮微粒的濃度，比馬路多4倍。研究人員建議廟方常清理香爐。

初一、十五進香 致癌風險更高

研究顯示：香爐在多塵方香煙煙塵中，風險是一般人的1000倍。寺廟人員及每日在家中佛堂燃香者，也達警戒標準。

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你燒那種香？

烏香較貴 燃燒產生致毒物也多 沈香便宜 排放多種芳香煙較少



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Causing cancers

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日常生活細小懸浮微粒 致命毒素

【聯合新聞網記者陳麗芳／報導】空氣汙染危害健康，但人們日常活動所造成的懸浮微粒暴露濃度到底多少？中央研究院環境變遷研究中心助理研究員龍世俊昨天指出，其實人們在運動、烹調、燒香拜拜，甚至到餐廳吃飯都無時無刻不暴露在懸浮微粒汙染中。累積致命毒素。



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【記者范宜真／2000/10/06 11:37 / 台北報導】燒香拜拜是中國人特有的宗教習慣，尤其在初一、十五，寺廟更是香煙與臭、香火極旺。不過，根據中山醫學院公共衛生系教授龍世俊針對燒香對人體的危害進行研究，發現寺廟內的懸浮微粒是一般居家的5到6倍，而初一、十五的懸浮微粒更高於平常，其中成份如多環芳烴類更是致毒藥物，可能影響健康。

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Xingtian's ban on incense upsets vendors, not visitors

By Yeh Kuan-yu / Staff reporter, with CNA



•On average, 2.5 registered temples in each community in Taiwan, accounting for a significant portion of PM_{2.5} emission in Taiwan

Longshan Temple halves censers used in worship

SPIRITUAL POLLUTION: The policy change follows earlier measures to cut the number of sticks used in worship, as well as refusing to accept donated incense

By Abraham Gerber / Staff reporter



Longshan Temple (龍山寺) in Taipei yesterday closed access to more than half of its censers following concerns over incense smoke polluting the surrounding area.

Red lids capped four of the temple's seven censers, as the temple prepared to move them into storage.

Variability of intra-urban exposure to particulate matter and CO from Asian-type community pollution sources

[Lung et al., Atmospheric Environment, 83:6-13, 2014]

Inequality of Asian-type neighborhood environmental quality in communities with different urbanization levels

[Lung et al., Environmental Science & Policy, 38:1-10, 2014]

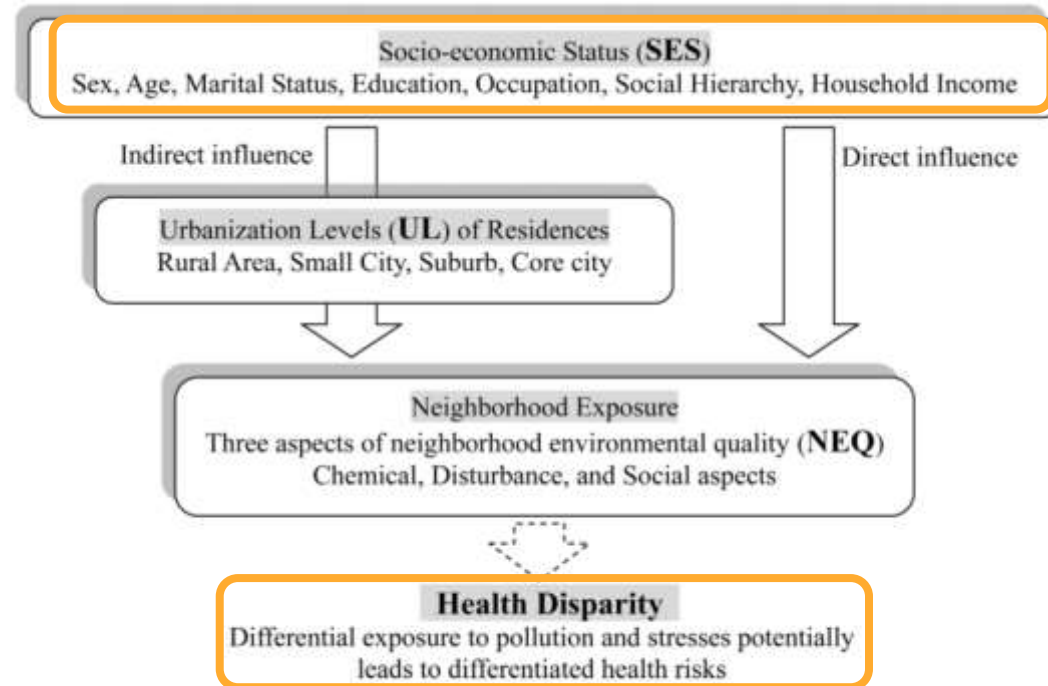
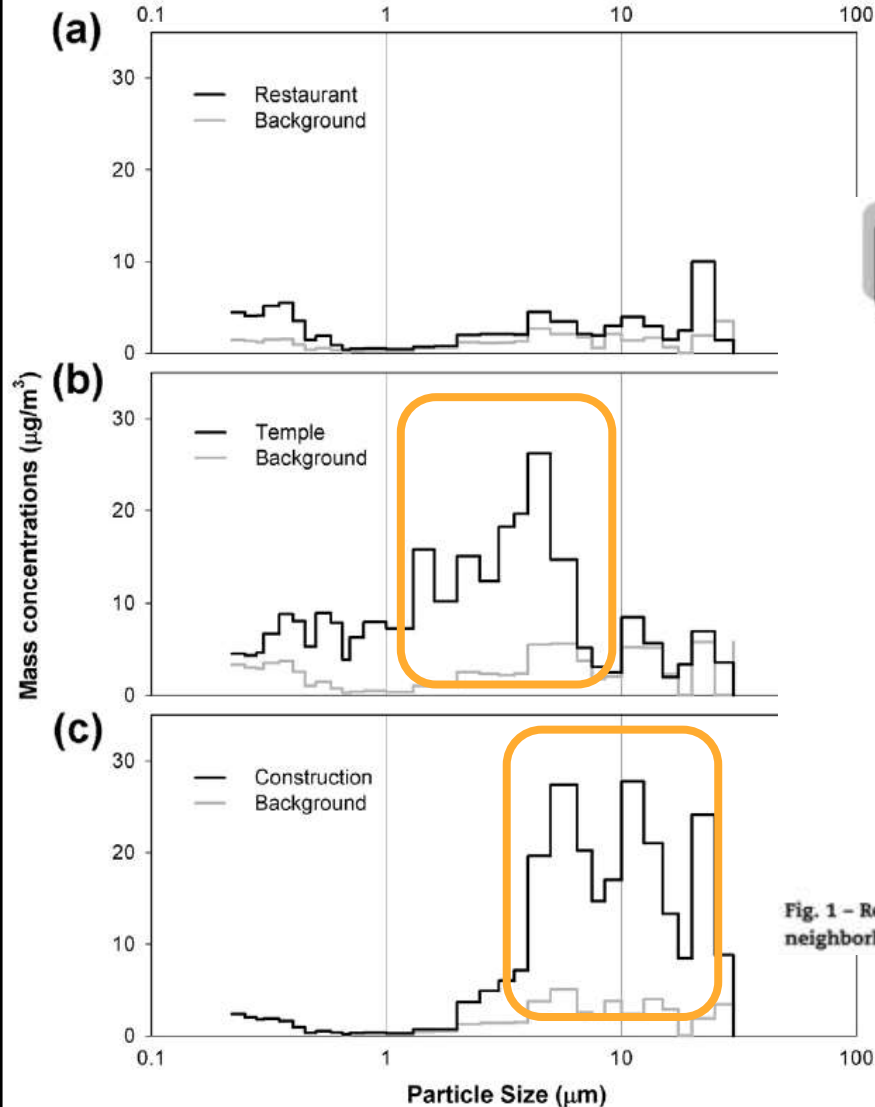


Fig. 1 – Research framework of this study, focusing on the pathways of social inequality leading to inequality of neighborhood exposure, which may in turn result in health disparity.

Light-weight sampling, monitoring, and sensing devices for personal exposure assessment



Before year 2000
Personal PM sampler (PEM)
with a pump weight 2kg



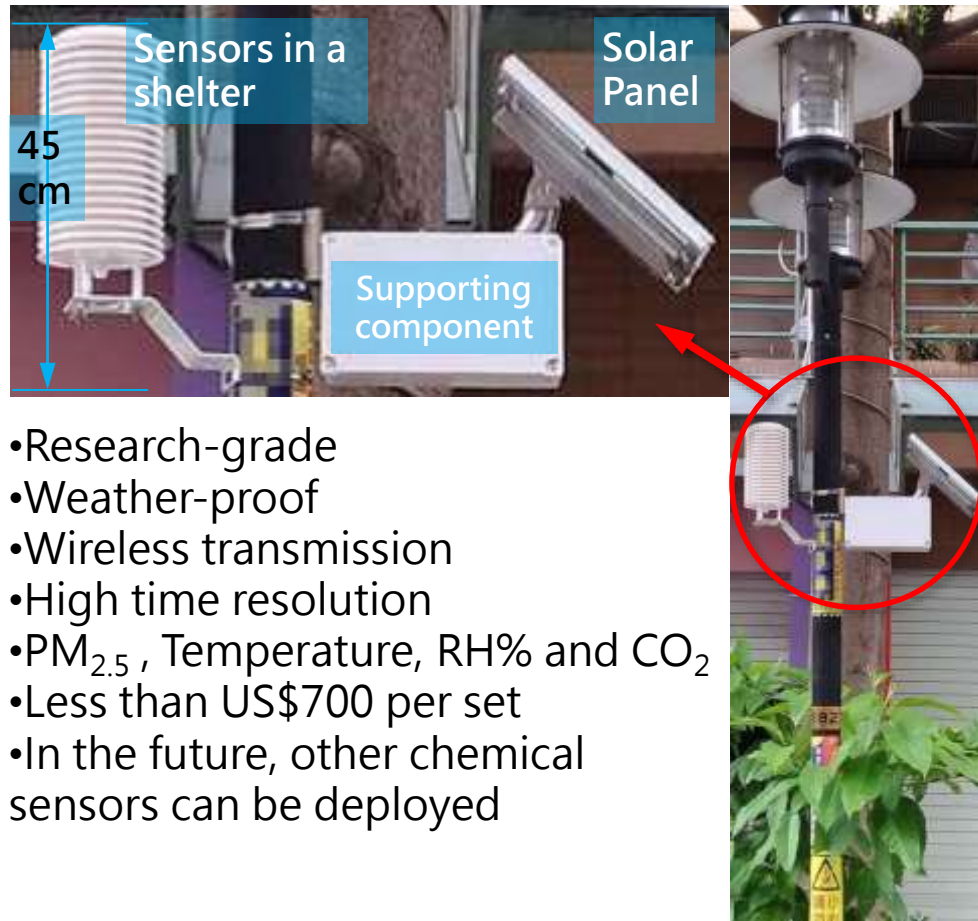
After year 2000
GRIMM real-time PM monitor



Year of 2017 Wearable PM
sensor. Less than 200g
with GPS and wifi

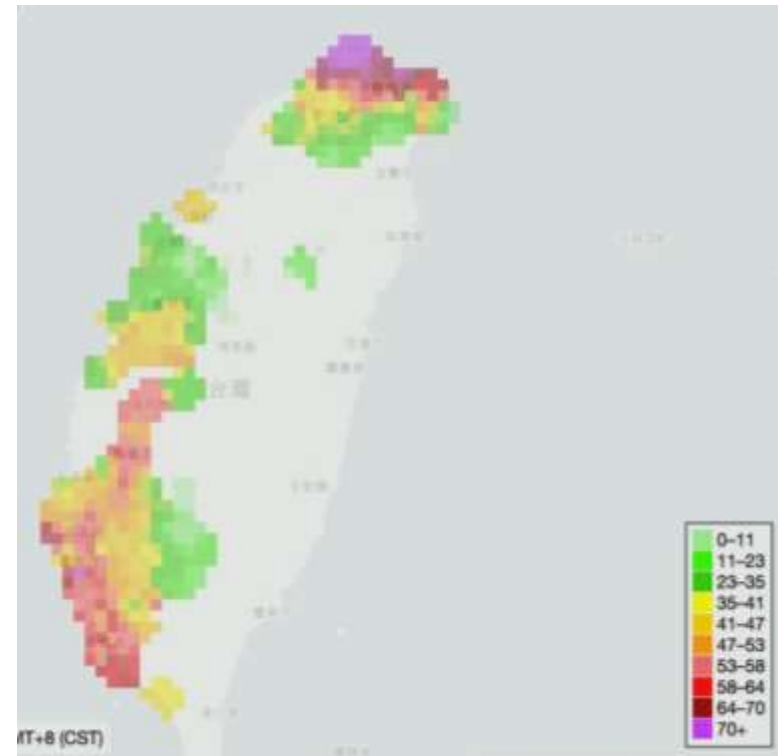
Application of PM sensors in Atmospheric Chemistry Research

■ Street-level monitoring system



- Engaging citizens to deploy thousands sensors (education version) in Taiwan
- Pollution transport case from the north to the south of Taiwan on 2017/1/30

[L-J Chen, 2017]



<https://giphy.com/gifs/tw-2017130-0715-1655-l3q30gLatC3ZHUjYs>

Summary and Suggestions

- **Co-benefit** thinking to link Atmospheric Chemistry to Health-related Air Pollution Research and Pollution-Reduction Policy
 - What are the **controllable factors** that our studies can identify? (Lab, monitoring, and modeling studies)
 - What **policy recommendations** can we make based on our study results that can further reduce air pollution levels?
- **Cross-scale studies** to link local, regional, and global scales of research gaps to reduce pollution levels and have co-benefits on climate and health

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Thank you very much for your attention!

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