Chasing Aerosol Particles Down to Nano Sizes

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Outline of Talk

- 1. What are aerosol particles and why should we care about them?
 - 2. What are some relevant aerosol properties, physical transformations, and measurement techniques for determining their effects in the work environment?

What are aerosol particles?



Why should we care about particles? Visibility, Public Health/Welfare



Increased aerosol concentrations

> Cannot see mountains



Aerosols directly interact with solar radiation via absorbance and scattering Optical Properties = f (size, shape, composition)

The Physical Basis for Aerosol Effects on Clouds





Visual demonstration of aerosol-cloud interactions



Aerosols and Climate Change



Why should we care about particles? Health



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Dry, nonporous particles: Nektar Therapeutics



Liquid particles: Aradigm



Liquid particles: Aerogen





Dry, porous particle suspension in MDI: Alliance Pharmaceutical, Pulmospheres



Micronized crystals: Elan (formerly Dura Pharmaceutical)



Dry, porous particles: Alkermes





Technospheres and Medtone DPI: Mannkind Pharmaceuticals

<u>The Focus</u> Particles in the Semiconductor Manufacturing Work Environment

Particles in the workplace

Web of Science Searches

Keywords: "Aerosol", "Semiconductor", "Health" = 2 papers

Keywords: "Particle", "Semiconductor", "Health" = 12 papers

Nanoparticles

(1) have a potentially high efficiency for deposition
(2) target both the upper/lower regions of the respiratory tract
(3) are retained in the lungs for a long period of time
(4) induce more oxidative stress and cause greater
inflammatory effects than their larger fine-sized equivalents

Particles in the workplace: From aerosolization to final health impact



Figure 1. Potential important factors in correlating exposure, dosimetry, and health effects of inhaled nanoparticles.

Madl and Pinkerton, 2009, Critical Reviews in Toxicology



Figure 4. Potential general pathophysiological pathways linking PM exposure with cardiopulmonary morbidity and mortality. Pope and Dockery (2006). JAWMA

<u>A critical aerosol measurement:</u> The size distribution

Aerosol Size Spectrum



Seinfeld & Pandis, 2006

Aerosol Instrumentation: Differential Mobility Analyzer



Aerosol Instrumentation: CN Counter



FIGURE 13.10 Schematic diagram of a continuous flow condensation nuclei counter. Reprinted with permission from Agarwal, J. K., and Sem, G. J. (1980).

Hinds, 1999

Ambient Size Distributions: Urban



FIGURE 8.11 Typical urban aerosol number, surface, and volume distribution

FIGURE 8.12 Measured and fitted multimodal number distributions at different distances downwind from a major road in Los Angeles (a) 30 m downwind, (b) 60 m downwind, (c) 90 m downwind, and (d) 150 m downwind. Please note the different scale for the *y* axis. Modal parameters given are the geometric mean diameter and geometric standard deviation (Zhu et al. 2002). **372**

Concentration dominated by small particles (< 0.1 micron) VERY high concentrations by sources with rapid decline with distance (e.g. freeways)

Sources: soil dust, sea salt, fly ash, tire wear particles, secondary organics/sulfate/nitrate

ICARTT: Conesville Power Plant Study (8/9/2004) Cleveland, Ohio



Evolution of Aerosol Size Distribution



Sorooshian et al. (2006), J. Geophysical Research

Field Work

Ambient example of a nucleation burst over the ocean as measured by a size distribution instrument on a Twin Otter aircraft





Wonaschuetz et al. (2013), Atmos. Chem. Phys. Disc.

<u>Size dictates capture mechanisms:</u> (i) Filtration

Filtration

Six basic deposition mechanisms: inertial impaction, interception, diffusion, gravitational settling, electrostatic forces, interception of diffusing particles ("DR")



FIGURE 9.8 Filter efficiency for individual single-fiber mechanisms and total efficiency; $t = 1 \text{ mm}, \alpha = 0.05, d_f = 2 \text{ µm}, \text{ and } U_0 = 0.10 \text{ m/s}. [10 \text{ cm/s}].$ thickness solidity face velocity Hinds, 1999

<u>Size dictates capture mechanisms:</u> (ii) Human respiratory system



FIGURE 11.1 The respiratory system. Adapted from International Commission on Radiological Protection (1994).

Head Airways

Trachea and bronchi

Alveoli

This is where the gas exchange between air and blood stream happens

Deposition Upon Inhalation



Fig. 2. Regional deposition fraction in the extrathoracic, conducting, and pulmonary airways during a single breath; model predictions are made using enhanced sedimentation efficiency by Haber et al. (2003).

Park and Wexler (2008). J. Aerosol Science

TABLE 11.2 Relative Importance of Settling, Impaction, and Diffusion Mechanisms for Deposition of Standard Density Particles in Selected Regions of the Lung

	Stopping Distance ^a Airway Diameter (%)			Settling Distance ^b Airway Diameter (%)			Rms Displacement ^c Airway Diameter (%)		
Airway	0.1 µm	I μm	10 µm	0.1 µm	I μm	10 µm	0.1 µm	1 µm	10 um
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Coarse partie deposition k impaction	cle by	Medium-sized particles can settle (if they make it that far)			Fine particle deposition by diffusion				

Hinds, 1999



FIGURE 11.3 Predicted total and regional deposition for light exercise (nose breathing) based on ICRP deposition model. Average data for males and females.

Hinds, 1999



Typical aerosol volume distributions in a nice city to live in

Friedlander: "Smoke, Dust, and Haze: Fundamentals of Aerosol Dynamics", Second Edition, Oxford University Press, Inc. 2000



Particle diameter, µm

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But the size of particles may change upon inhalation! Why?

Sub-saturated Water-Uptake



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Gibbs free energy of solid salt and its aqueous solution are equal at DRH

Aerosol Thermodynamics



FIGURE 10.4 Diameter change of $(NH_4)_2SO_4$, NH_4HSO_4 , and H_2SO_4 particles as a function of relative humidity. D_{p0} is the diameter of the particle at 0% RH.

Seinfeld & Pandis, 2006

Aerosol Thermodynamics

TABLE 10.1	Deliquescence	Relative	Humidities
of Electrolyte	Solutions at 298	8 K	

Salt	DRH (%)		
KC1	84.2 ± 0.3		
Na ₂ SO ₄	84.2 ± 0.4		
NH ₄ Cl	80.0		
$(NH_4)_2SO_4$	79.9 ± 0.5		
NaCl	75.3 ± 0.1		
NaNO ₃	74.3 ± 0.4		
$(NH_4)_3H(SO_4)_2$	69.0		
NH ₄ NO ₃	61.8		
NaHSO ₄	52.0		
NH ₄ HSO ₄	40.0		

Sources: Tang (1980) and Tang and Munkelwitz (1993).

The important effect of composition on water uptake



Hersey et al. (2009), Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics

Aerosol Instrumentation: Hygroscopic Tandem Differential Mobility Analyzer



HTDMA Design Overview

Source: http://www.cas.manchester.ac.uk/

Differential Aerosol Sizing and Hygroscopicity Spectrometer Probe (DASH-SP)



Sorooshian et al., 2008 (Aerosol Science and Technology)

Field Experiment Case Studies of Particle Size, Composition, and Hygroscopicity

Impaction: Cascade Impactor



FIGURE 5.9 Cascade impactor (a) Schematic diagram. Reprinted with permission from *Aerosol Measurement*, by Dale Lundgren et al. Copyright 1979 by the Board of Regents of the State of Florida. (b) Eight stage Anderson ambient cascade impactor with nozzle plate and impaction plate shown at left.

Kulkarni, Baron, and Willeke, Aerosol Measurement (2011)

Arizona - Mine Tailings and Smelter Emissions



Los Angeles Basin: Surface Measurements in 2009



Aerosol Hygroscopicity During RF18 (DC-8) / Colorado / Smoke Flight

DC-8 / Taylor Shingler and Armin Sorooshian / University of Arizona





Thank you for your attention...



Surface and Airborne Measurements



Particle Shapes



9.15 A micrograph of a single NaCl particle with electrical mobility equivalent of 550 nm. The dry NaCl is almost cubic with rounded edges. Also shown is a polystyrene PSL) particle with diameter of 491 nm (Zelenyuk et al. 2006).

Hinds, 1999

Secondary Organic Aerosol (SOA)

Green = organics; Red = sulfate; Blue = nitrate; Orange = ammonium

Excludes black carbon and dust



Adhesion





FIGURE 6.2 Submicroscopic surface contact geometry.

Hinds, 1999

Adhesion



Hinds, 1999

Adhesion/Detachment



Clips: http://serc.carleton.edu/NAGTWorkshops/geomorph/visualizations/soil_erosion.html

Aqueous-Phase Processing



Composition helps predict size and drop nucleating potential

Models currently suffer from improper treatment of aqueous processing to modify aerosol properties