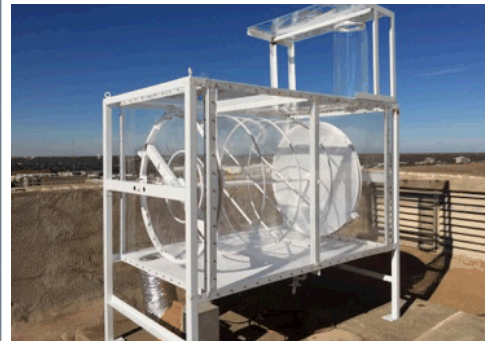
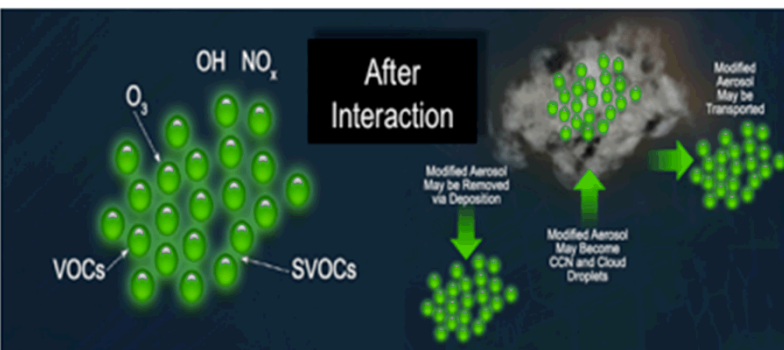


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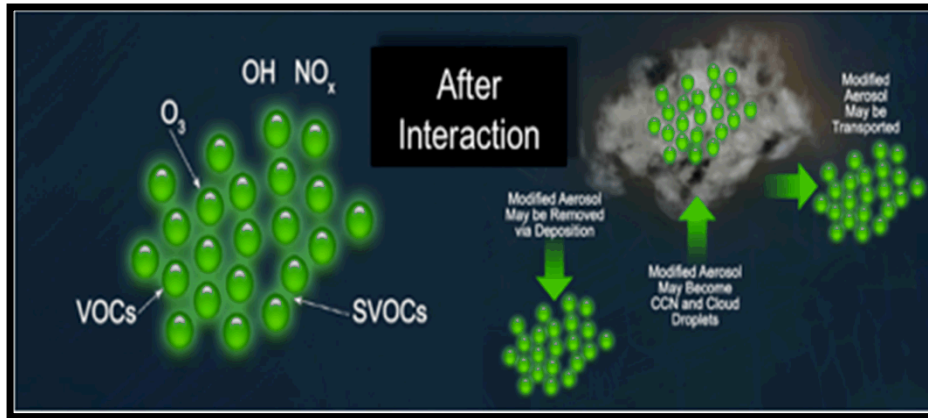
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    - 2016
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  - Wrap-up of Current Project
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# Background



## ➤ Primary Biological Aerosols (PBA)

- May undergo chemical or physical changes in the atmosphere via differing processes
- Open Air Factor (OAF)

## ➤ Atmospheric Processes

- Ozone, UV, RH, SOA, Pollutants, Free Radicals

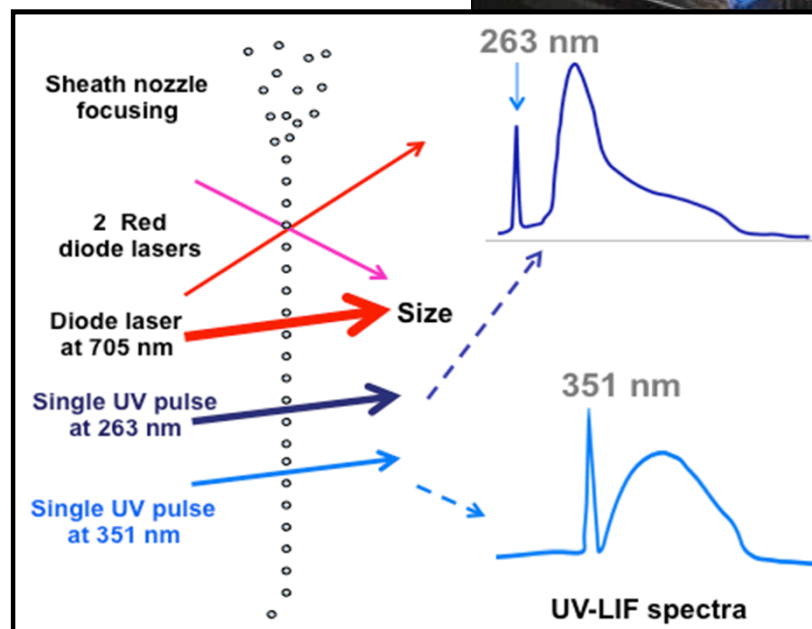
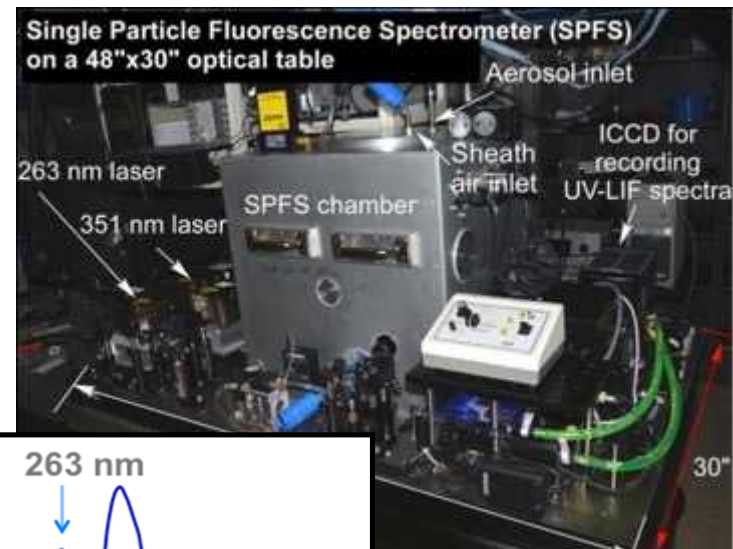
## ➤ Changes

- Viability
- Size distribution
- Morphology
- Detection/Spectroscopic
- Infectivity
- Resuspension

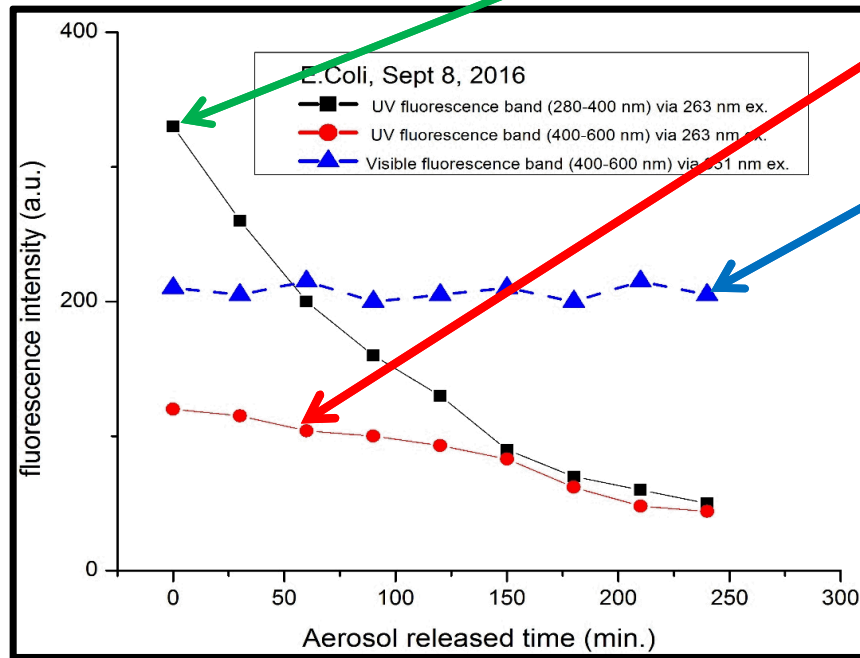
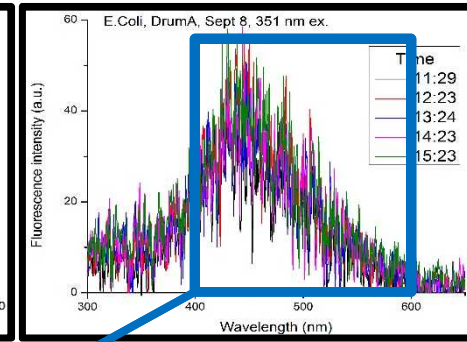
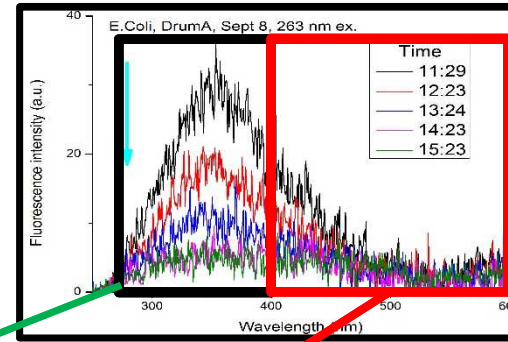
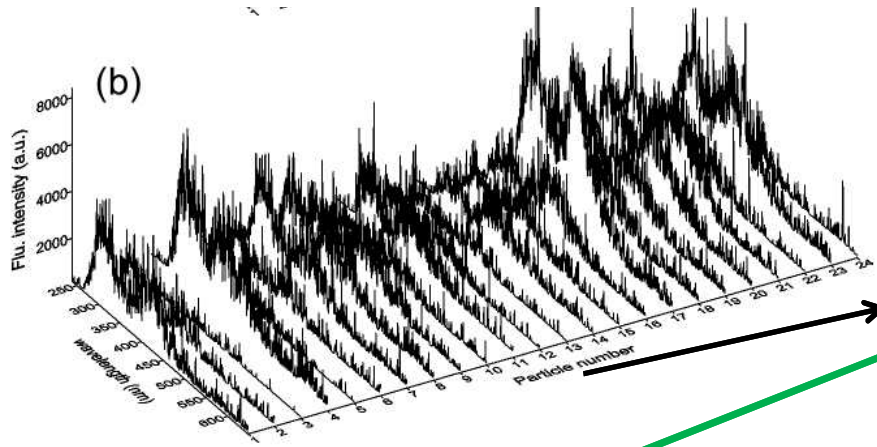
# Single Particle Fluorescence Spectrometer (SPFS)

## ➤ Army Research Laboratory

- Current system developed from over a decade of research
- Fluorescence excited at 263 and 351 nm
- Spectra measured each wavelength
- Particle size from optical scattering



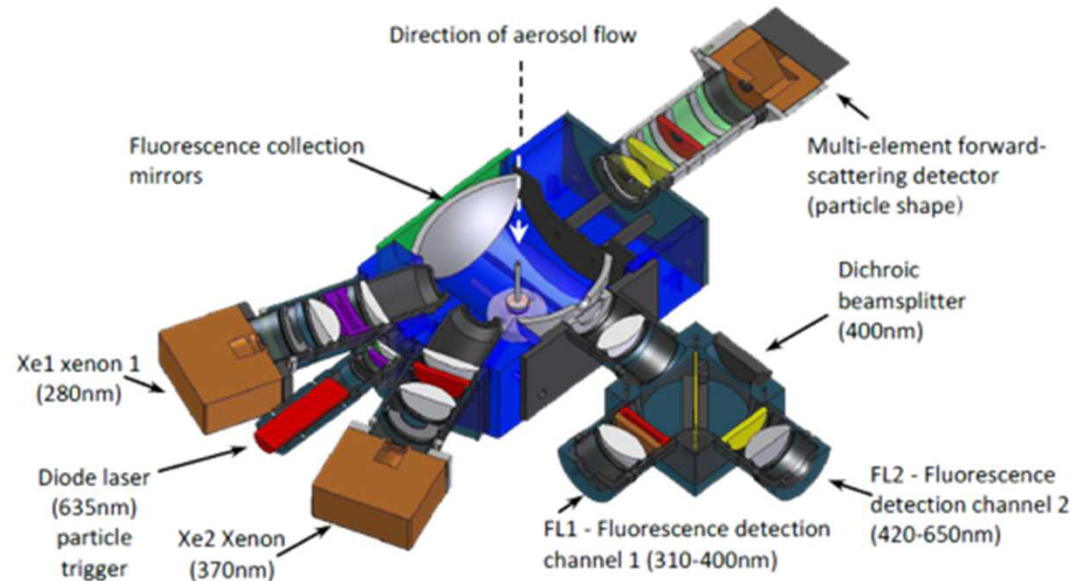
# SPFS Data Analysis



- Several hundred single particle spectra are averaged together for each measurement time
- Spectra are examined on their own and by integration into 3 bands
  - UV263, Vis263 and Vis351
- Fluorescence degradation analyzed by band

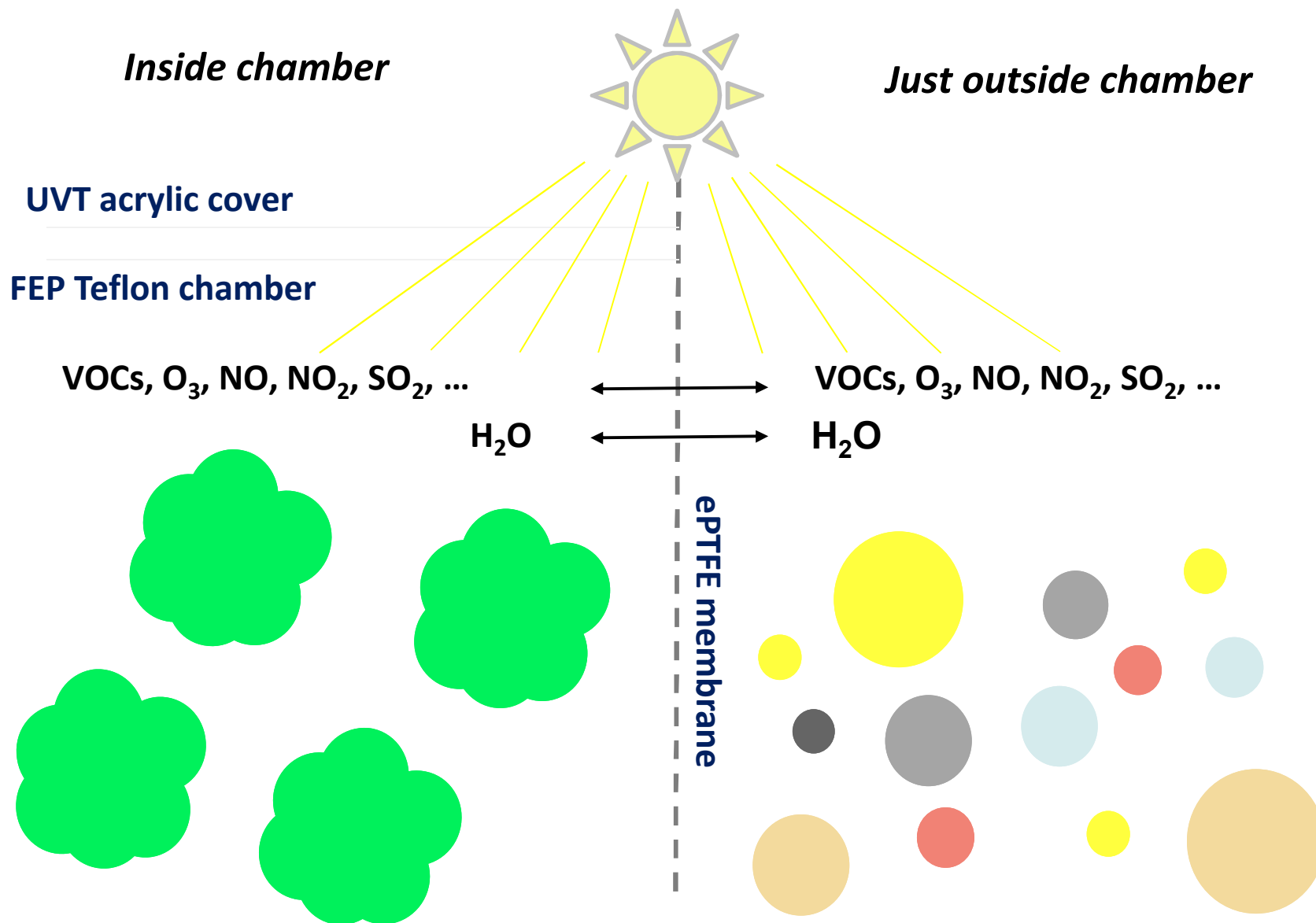
# Wideband Integrated Bioaerosol Sensor

- 280 nm and 370 nm excitation
- 310 to 400 nm and 420 to 650 nm emission bands
- Particle Size (geometric from scattering)
- Asymmetry factor



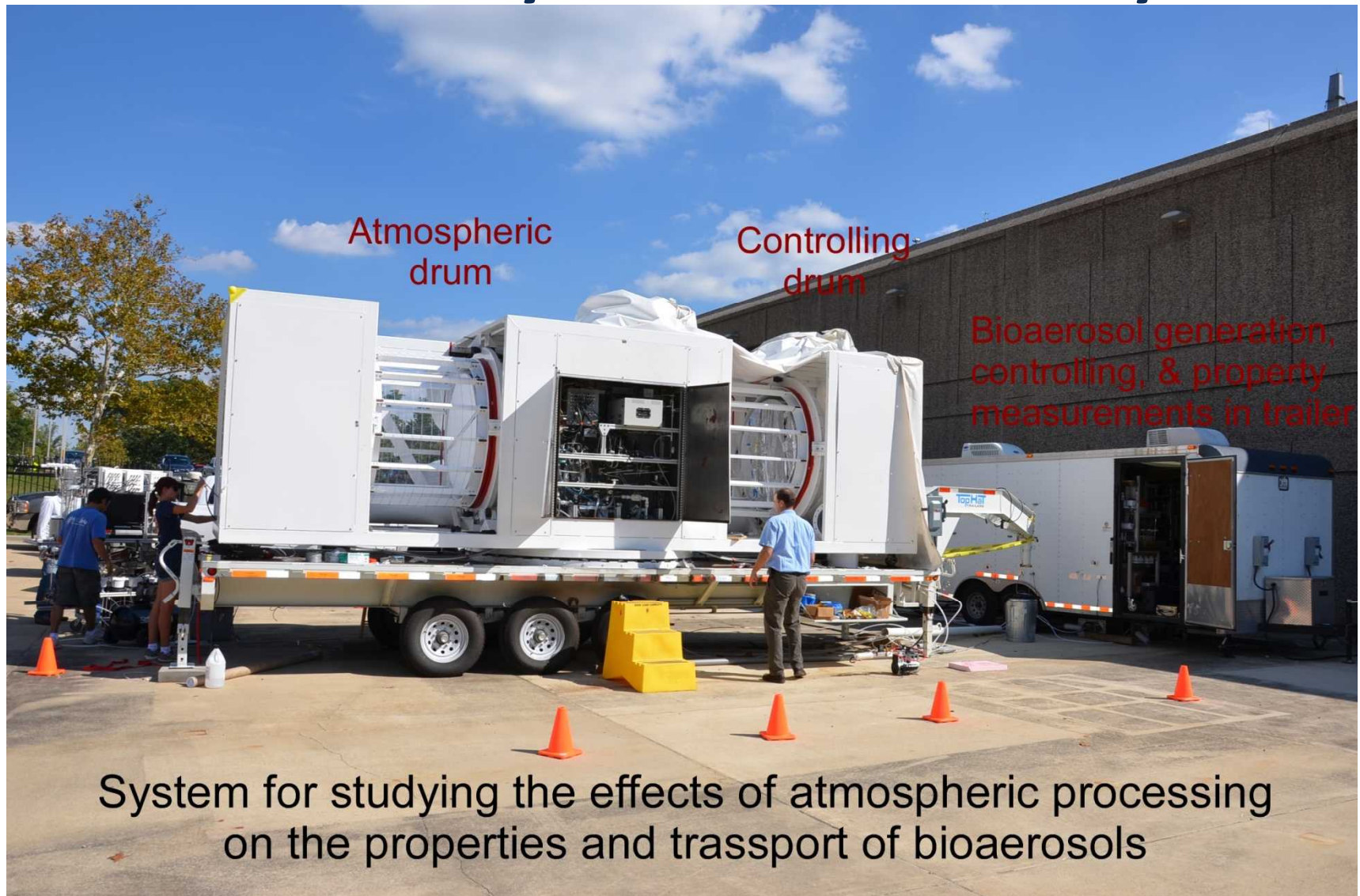
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# CAGE Concept





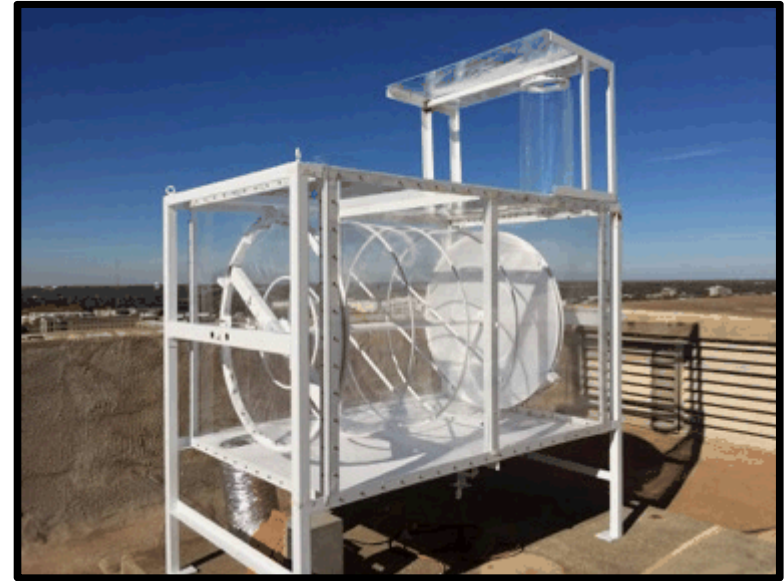
# System Set up at Army Research Lab in Maryland for Field Study



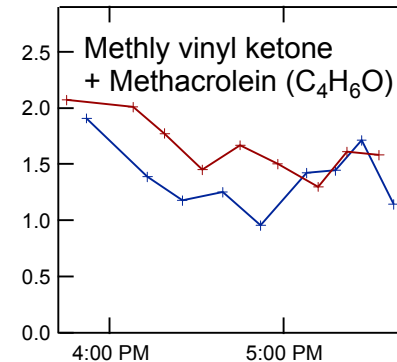
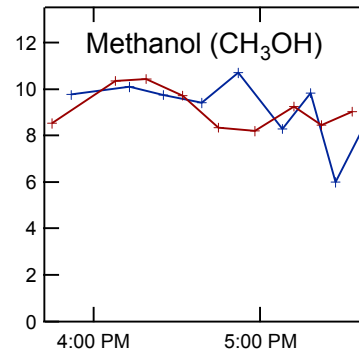
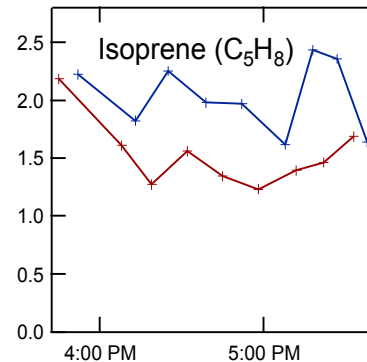
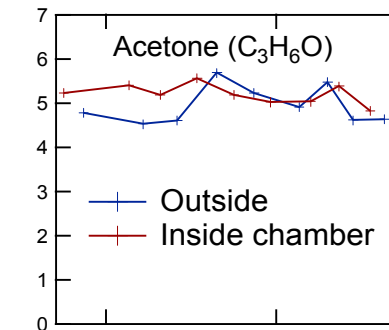
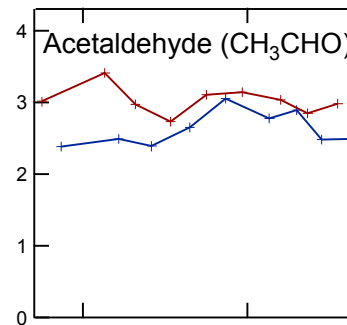
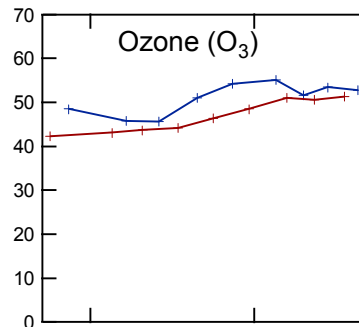
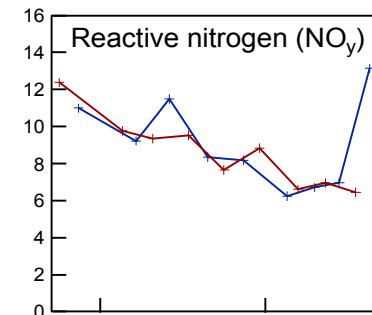
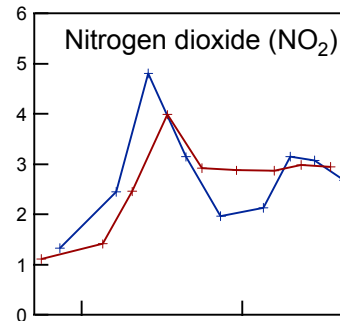
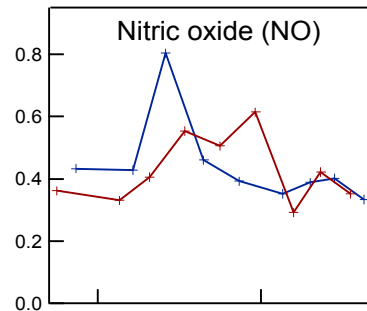


# New Outdoor Chambers

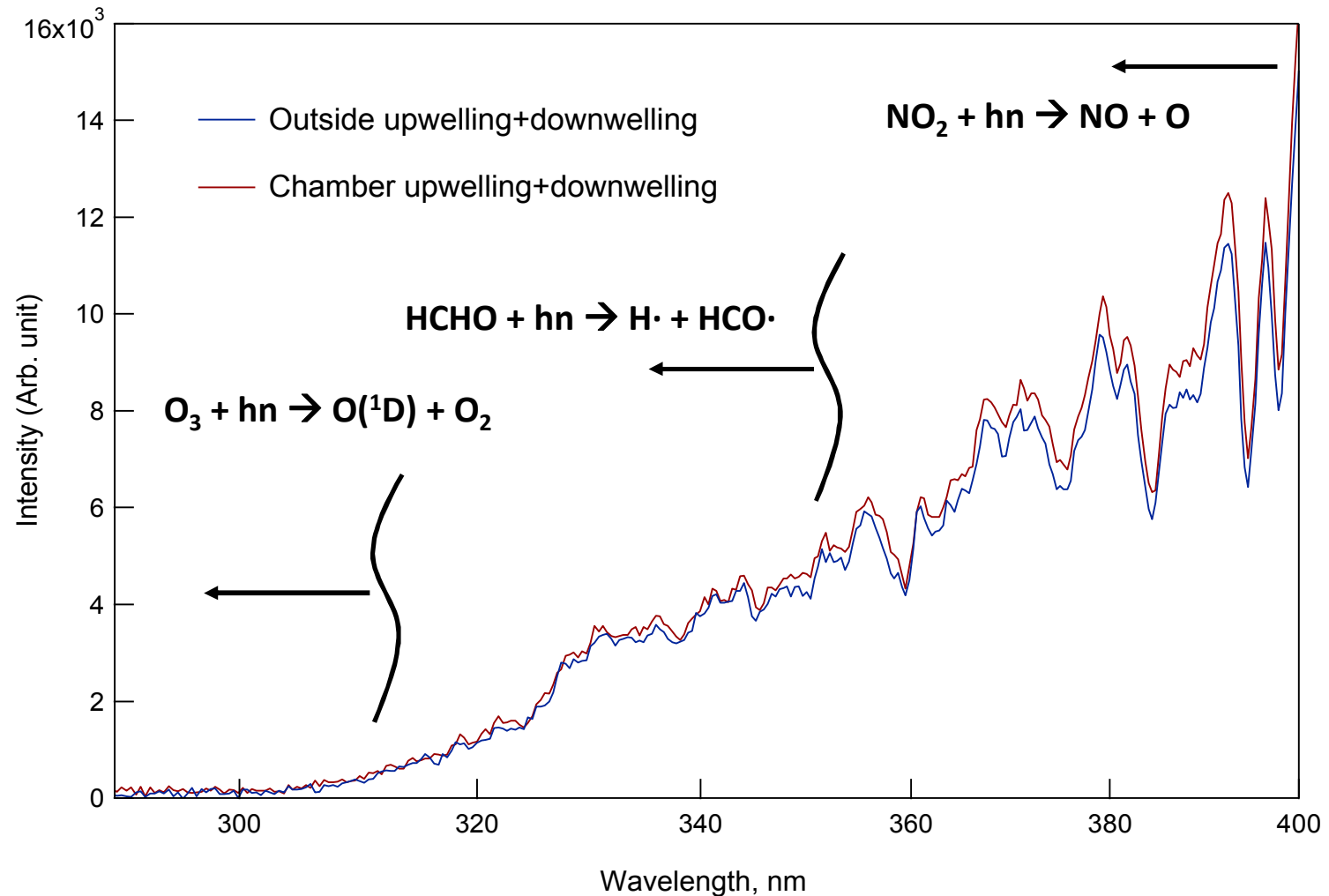
- The CAGE chambers were designed to meet a wide range of experimental demands.
  - Much of their complexity stems from the requirement that both pressure and temperature be controllable.
- The complexity of CAGE has made it difficult to completely control under the circumstances of these experiments.
- New chambers were designed and constructed started during project year 1 and the first part of year 2.
- The cylindrical chamber support frame and rectangular outer support frame are shown in figure below.
- Similar to CAGEA
  - internal volume of about  $1 \text{ m}^3$
  - rotate at roughly 1 rpm
- All surfaces in contact with the chamber air are FEP or PTFE Teflon.
- The outer frame is enclosed in UV-transparent acrylic to act as a wind block.



# Trace Gases Inside and Outside the Chamber

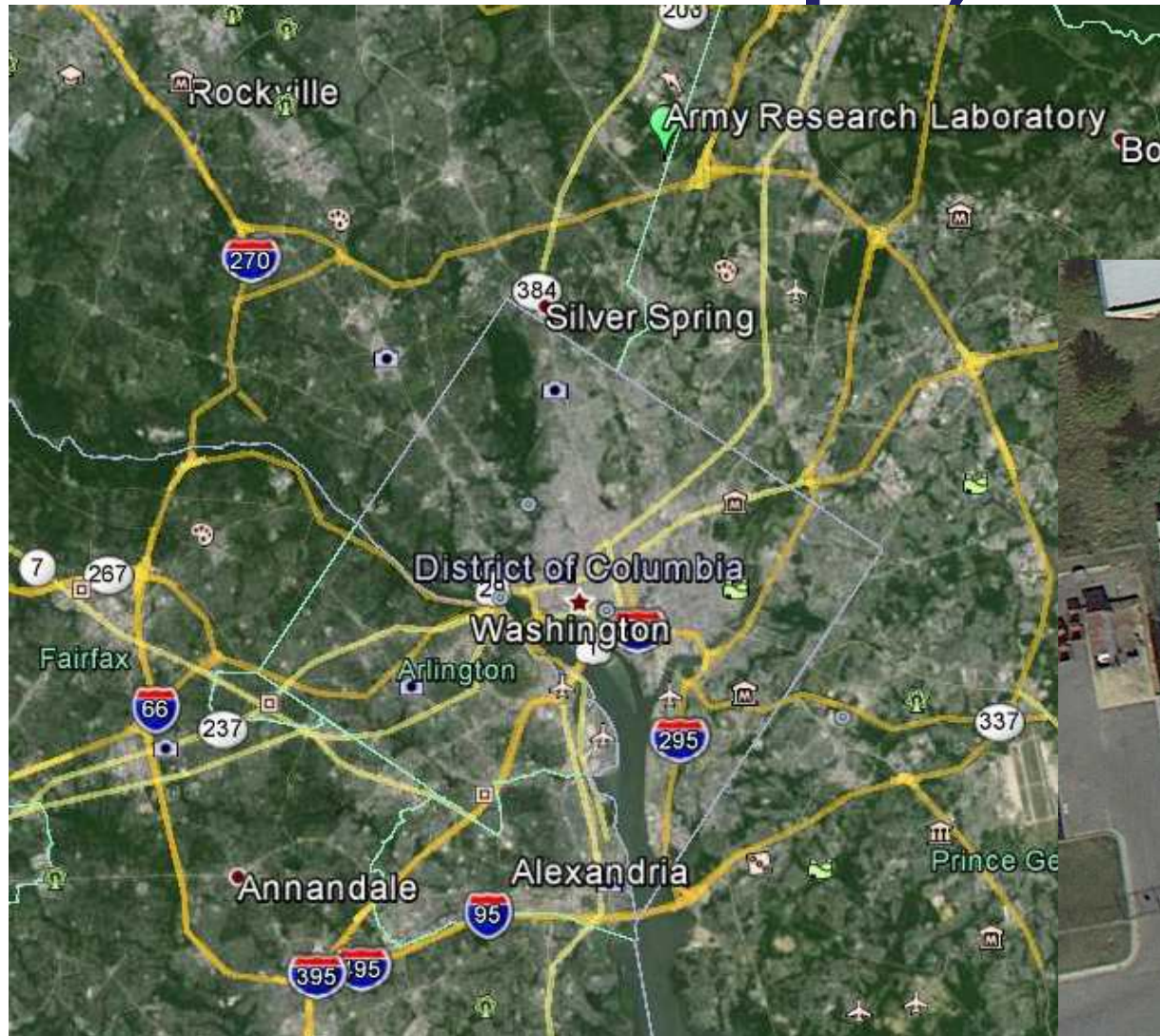


# Combined Intensity in UV Range





# Study Location – ARL in Adelphi, MD



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