

UC Davis Network Update: Field, Laboratory & Data

IMPROVE Steering Committee Meeting

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Analysis and Delivery Status

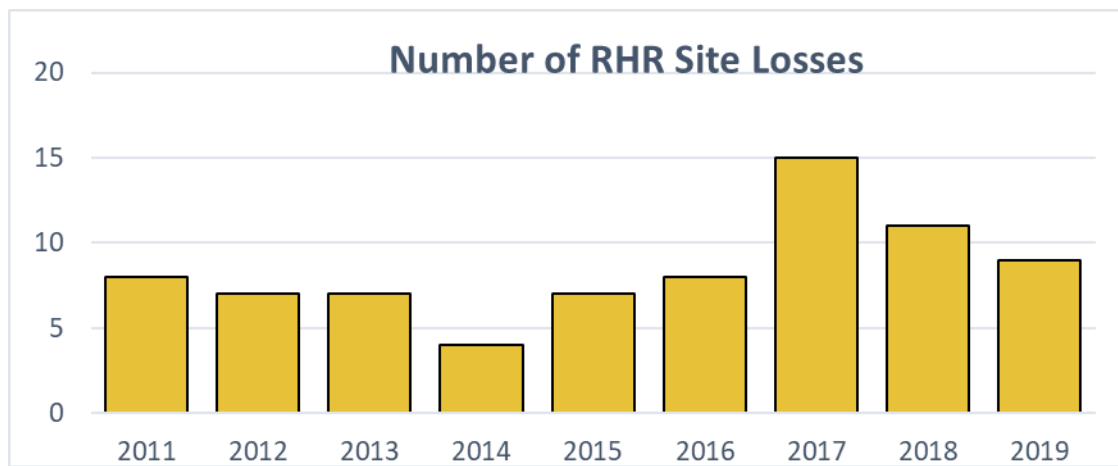
All 2018 data have been delivered to AQS and FED.

2019	Ions	Carbon	Elements	HIPS	Validation	Delivery (AQS & FED)
January	✓	✓	✓	✓	🕒	✗
February	✓	✓	✓	✓	🕒	✗
March	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗
April	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
May	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
June	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
July	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
August	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
September	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗

Regional Haze Rule (RHR) Completeness Criteria

RHR requires for all modules:

- < 11 consecutive missed samples
- > 50% recovery in each quarter
- > 75% annual recovery



2011-2018: Final number of losses after completion of full validation.

2019: Number of losses year-to-date.

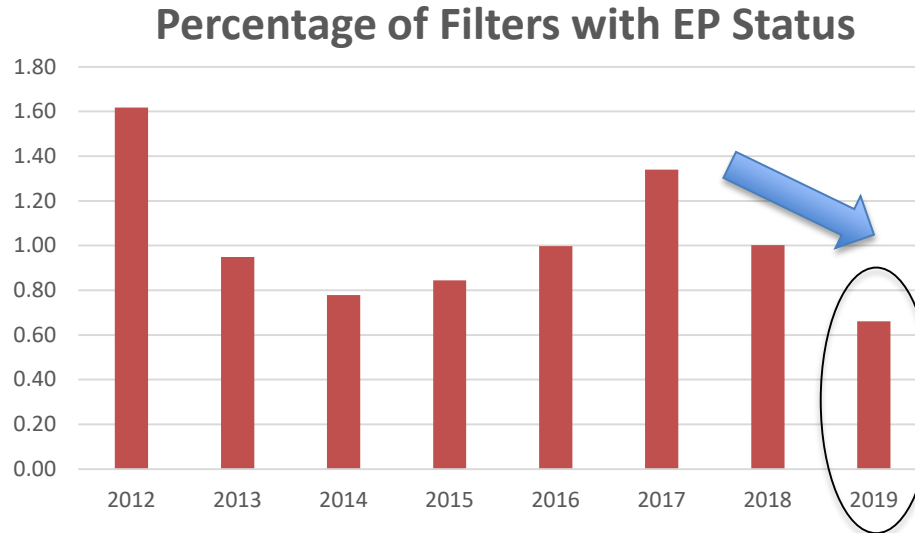
Site status report distributed every quarter; if you aren't on the list, let us know

Site losses in 2019

Government shutdown in January resulted in 9+ consecutive lost samples (NS) at most sites

1. BOAP1 (FWS): 12 consecutive PO samples in Q1
2. BYIS1 (SKorea): 13 consecutive NS samples
3. FLAT1 (Tribe): 31 samples lost this year (mostly NS samples)
4. FLTO1 (FS): 12 consecutive samples lost in Q1 (mostly NS samples)
5. FOPE1 (Tribe): 19 samples lost in Q1 (mostly NS samples)
6. IKBA1 (FS): 20 samples lost in Q1 (mostly NS samples)
7. MING1 (FWS): 12 consecutive NS samples in Q1
8. THRO1 (NPS): 12 consecutive NS+EP samples in Q1
9. BLIS1 (FS): >10 consecutive PO, electricity shut due to code violations

New Controller Helps Save Samples



- As of this week, internet-connected new controllers have been deployed throughout the IMPROVE network
- Daily data downloads
- Fast problem identification and troubleshooting

Show readings

Show all sites

Network Summary (157 out of 160 samplers)

ACAD1	AGTI1	ATLA1	BADL1	BALD1	BAND1	BIBE1	BIRM1	BLIS1	BOAP1	BOLA1	BOND1	BOWA1	BRCA1	BRID1	BRIG1	BRIS1	CABA1	CABI1
CAC01	CACR1	CANY1	CAPI1	CAVE1	CEBL1	CHAS1	CHIR1	COHU1	CORI1	CRLA1	CRMO1	DENA1	DETR1	DINO1	DOME1	DOSO1	EGBE1	EVER1
FCPC1	FLAT1	FLTO1	FOPE1	FRES1	FRRE1	GAMO1	GICL1	GLAC1	GRBA1	GRCA2	GRGU1	GRR11	GRSA1	GRSM1	GUMO1	HECA1	HEGL1	HOOV1
IKBA1	ISLE1	JARB1	JARI1	JOSH1	KAIS1	KALM1	KPBO1	LABE1	LASU2	LAVO1	LIGO1	LOND1	LOST1	LTCC1	LYEB1	MACA1	MAKA2	MAVI1
MEAD1	MELA1	MEVE1	MING1	MOHO1	MOMO1	MONT1	MOOS1	MORA1	MOZI1	NEBR1	NOAB1	NOCA1	NOCH1	NOGA1	OKEF1	OLYM1	ORPI1	OWVL1
PACK1	PASA1	PEFO1	PENO1	PHOE1	PHOE5	PINN1	PITT1	PMRF1	PORE1	PRIS1	PUSO1	QUCI1	RAFA1	REDW1	ROMA1	ROMO1	SACR1	SAGA1
SAGO1	SAGU1	SAMA1	SAPE1	SAWE1	SAWT1	SENE1	SEQU1	SHEN1	SHMI1	SHRO1	SIME1	SIPS1	SNPA1	SOGP1	STAR1	STIL1	SULA1	SWAN1
SYCA2	TALL1	THBA1	THRO1	THSI1	TONT1	TOOL1	TRCR1	TRIN1	ULBE1	UPBU1	VIIS1	VILA1	VOYA2	WEMI1	WHIT1	WHPA1	WHPE1	WHRI1
WICA1	WIMO1	YELL2	YOSE1	ZICA1														

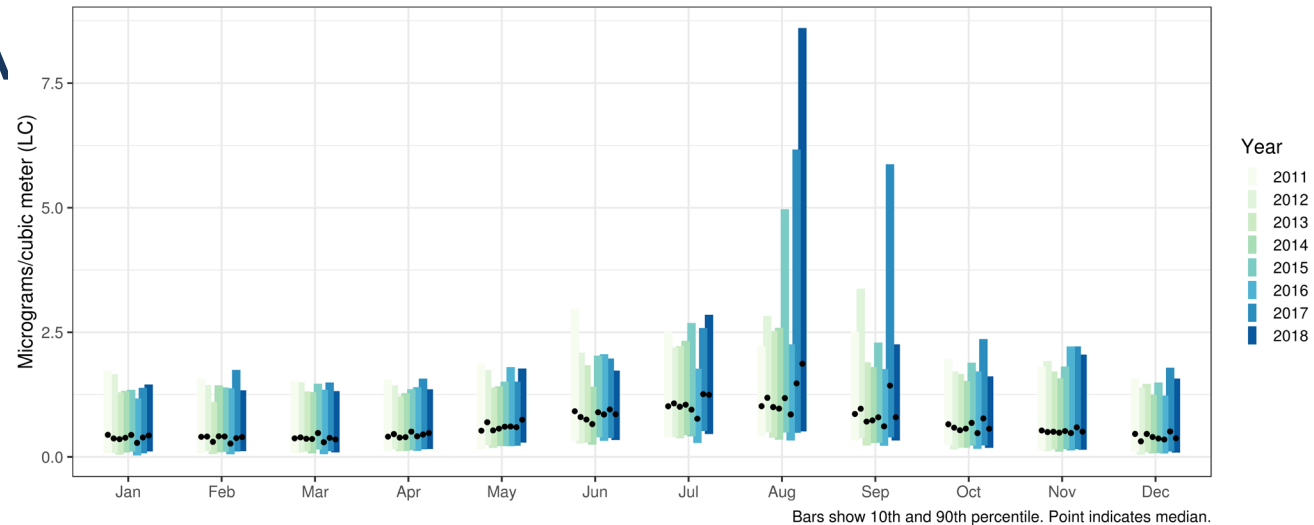
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Offline site
Missed check in
Internet problem
Warning
Needs attention
Info

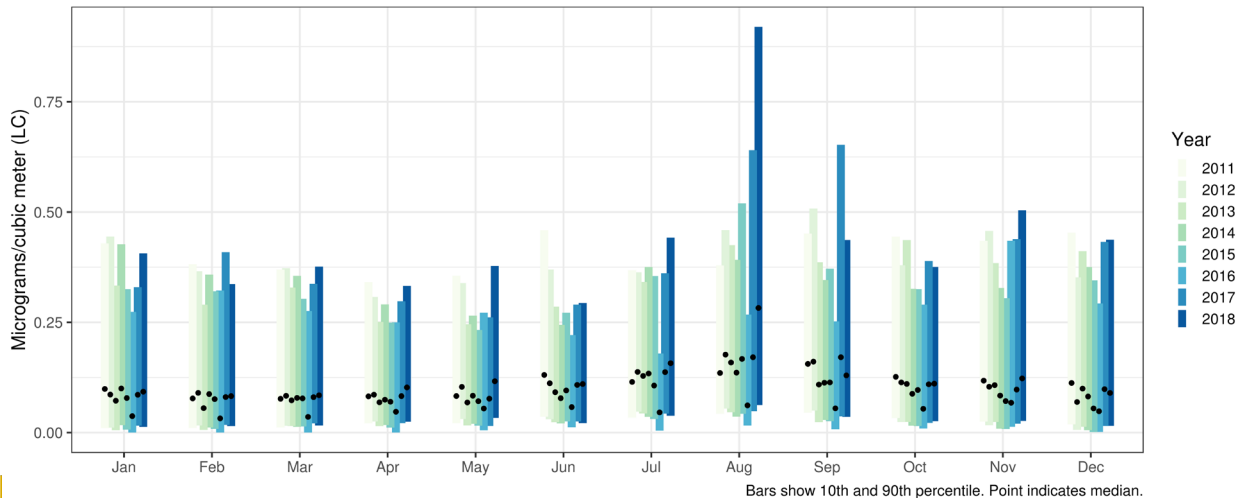
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ACAD1	10/17/2019 1:00:05 AM	10/17/2019 12:59:02 AM	0 Alerts	4/4 Online	NORMAL	[1: 10/18/2019] [2: 10/21/2019] [3: 10/15/2019]
AGTI1	10/17/2019 1:00:05 AM	10/17/2019 12:59:02 AM	0 Alerts	4/4 Online	NORMAL	[1: 10/9/2019] [2: 10/12/2019] [3: 10/15/2019]
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BADL1	10/17/2019 2:00:00 AM	10/17/2019 1:59:02 AM	0 Alerts	4/4 Online	NORMAL	[1: 10/18/2019] [2: 10/21/2019] [3: 10/15/2019]

Semi-annual QA Report

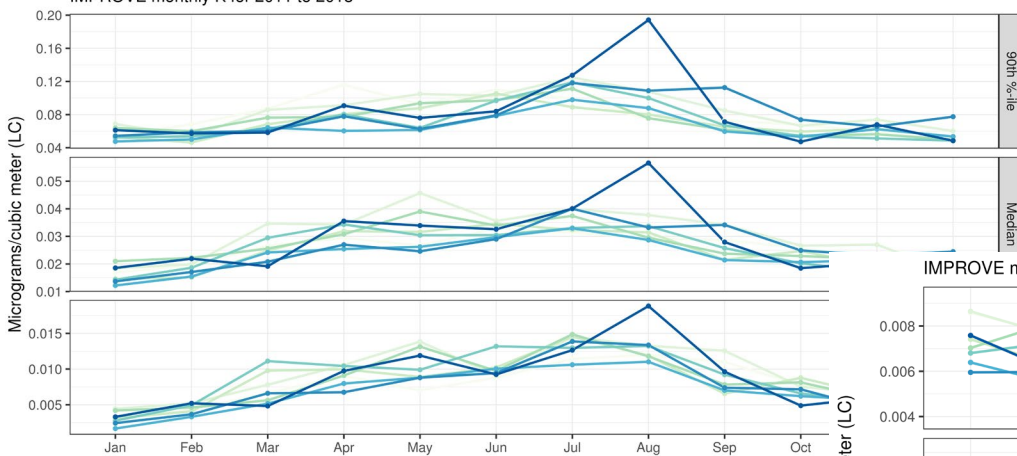
IMPROVE monthly OCTR for 2011 to 2018



IMPROVE monthly ECTR for 2011 to 2018

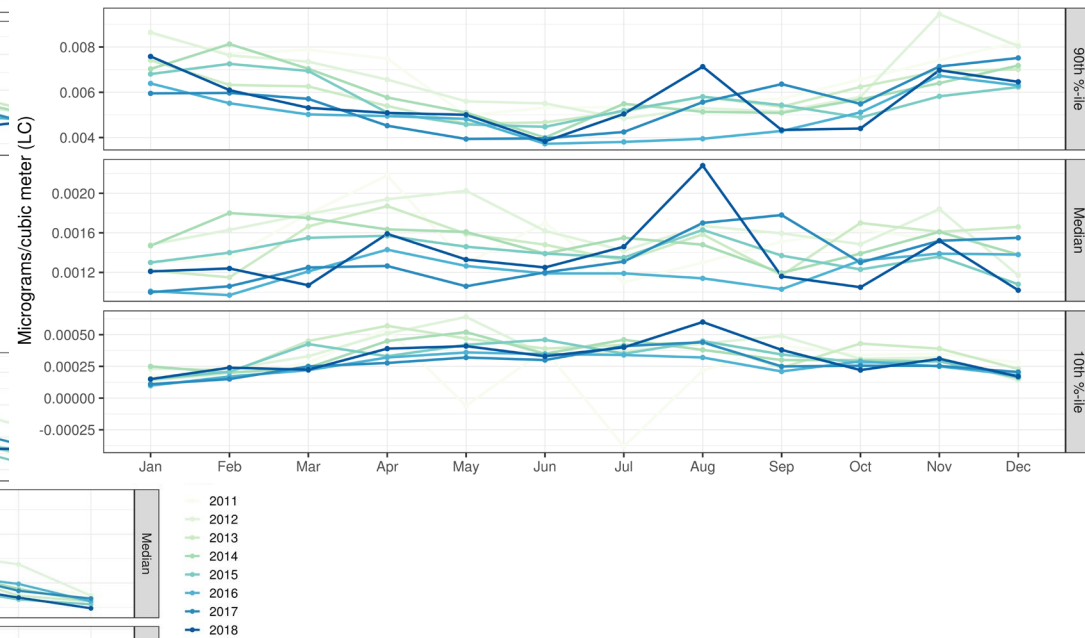


IMPROVE monthly K for 2011 to 2018

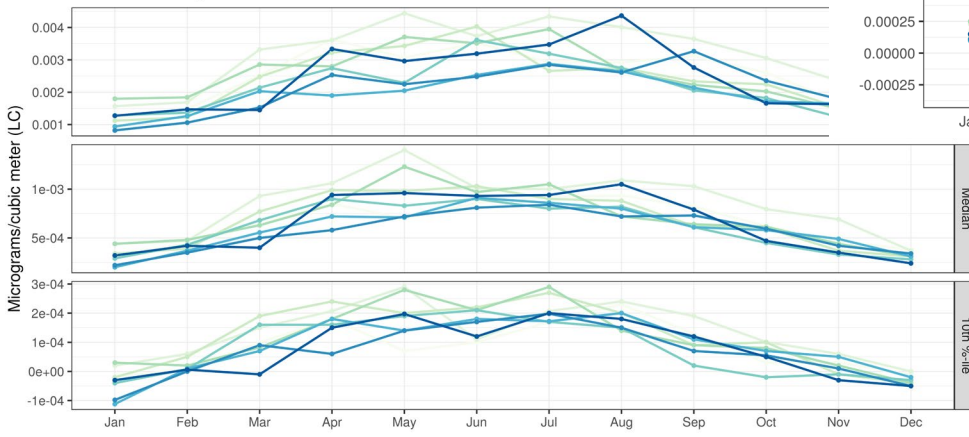


What other species showed up in the smoke?

IMPROVE monthly Zn for 2011 to 2018



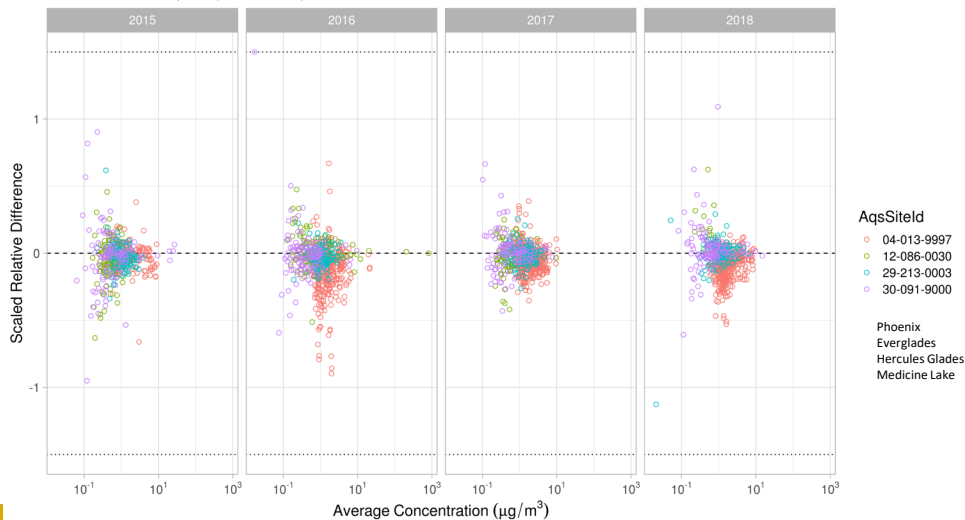
IMPROVE monthly Mn for 2011 to 2018



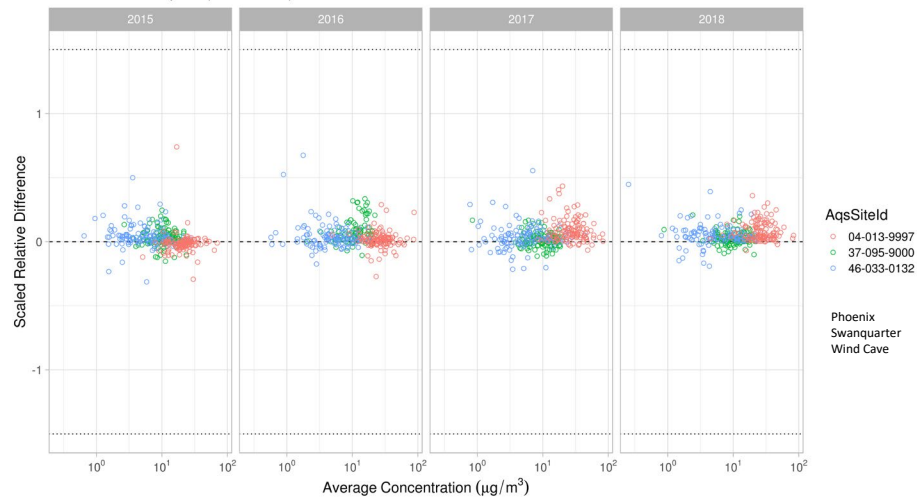
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Collocated Measurements

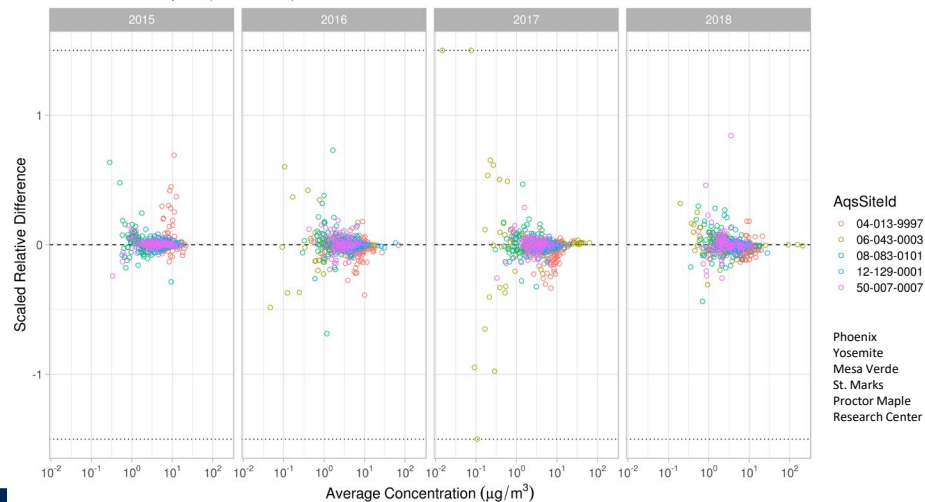
OCTR - collocated pairs (2015 - 2018)



PM10 - collocated pairs (2015 - 2018)



PM25 - collocated pairs (2015 - 2018)



Data Advisories in 2019

1. Correction of Chloride Concentrations for Filter Blank Levels

Released: 03/2019

Period Impacted: 2007 - 2011

2. Changes to HIPS System

Released: 04/2019

Period Impacted: January 2017 to present

3. Method Change for Calibrating Flow Rate Transfer Standards

Released: 05/2019

Period Impacted: January 2015 to present

4. Change in Analytical Protocol for XRF Analysis

Released: 06/2019

Period Impacted: October 2018 to present

5. Universal Calibration Constants for Flow Rate Calculation

Released: 09/2019

Period Impacted: 2018 to present

Data Advisories			
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Universal calibration constants for flow rate calculation	Submitted by: C. Wells	On: 09/2019	Doc #: da0044
Change in analytical protocol for XRF analysis	Submitted by: K. Trepka	On: 06/2019	Doc #: da0043
Method change for calibrating flow rate transfer standards	Submitted by: C. Wells	On: 05/2019	Doc #: da0042
Changes to HIPS System	Submitted by: K. Trepka & J. Glasco	On: 04/2019	Doc #: da0041
Universal calibration constants for flow rate calculation	Submitted by: C. Wells	On: 09/2019	Doc #: da0044

Field Updates

New Universal Flow Rate Constants (Data Advisory)

- Digital pressure transducers are consistent and provide absolute measures of pressure in inches of H₂O
- Data from 2018 and 2019 at 128 sites are combined to derive universal flow calibration constants for PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ samplers across the network

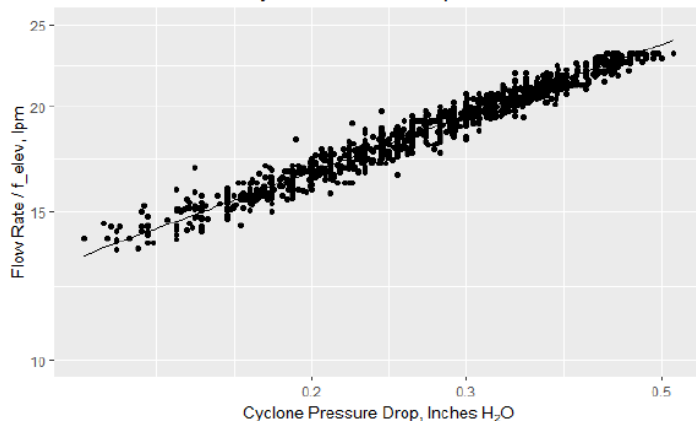
- *PM_{2.5} Module*

$$\text{Log}_{10}(\text{Flow}) = A + B \times \text{Log}_{10}(\Delta P_{\text{cyc}})$$

where A = intercept constant = 1.489

B = slope constant = 0.3797

PM2.5 Flow Rate vs Cyclone Pressure drop



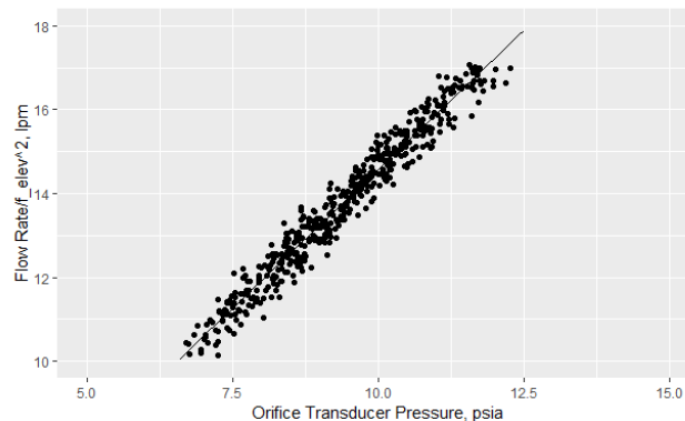
- *PM₁₀ Module*

$$\text{Flow} = C + D \times P_{\text{ori}}$$

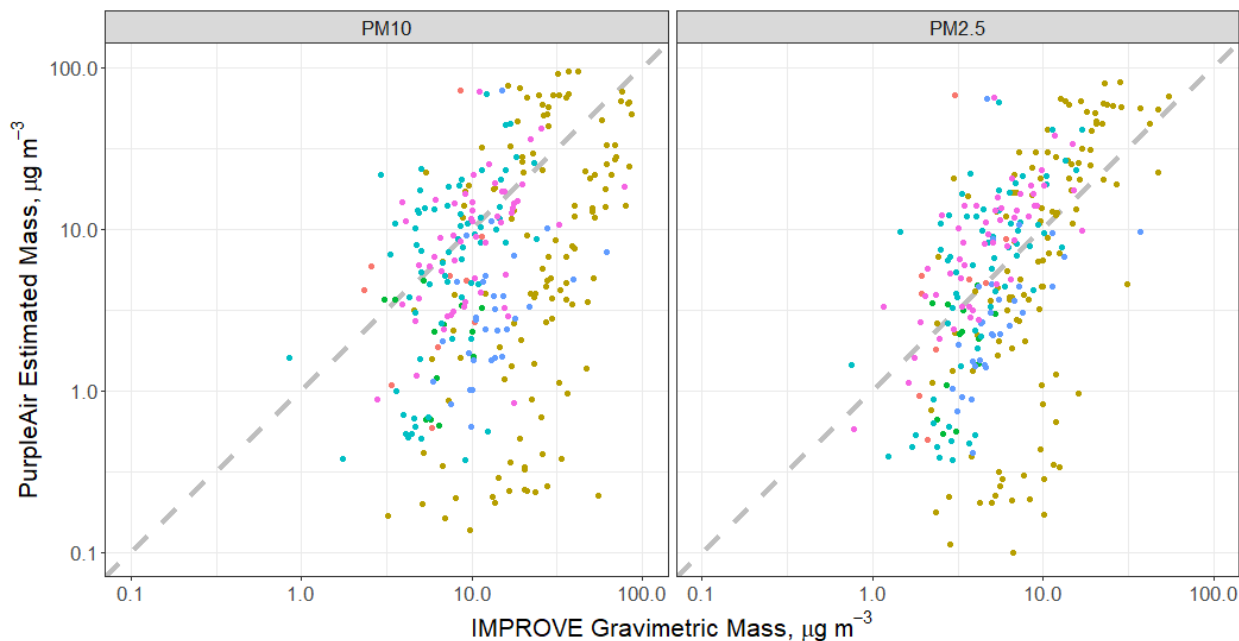
where C = intercept constant = 1.320

D = slope constant = 1.325

PM10 Flow Rate vs Orifice Transducer Pressure



Purple Air Sensors



IMPROVE Site ● BALD1 ● FRES1 ● GRCA2 ● HEGL1 ● MEAD1 ● WIMO1

Location	Data Output	Installed
Fresno, CO (FRES1)	Public	05/14/2018
Meadview, AZ (MEAD1)*	SD Card	06/04/2018
Grand Canyon, AZ (GRCA2)	SD Card	06/05/2018
Mount Baldy, AZ (BALD1*)	SD Card	06/07/2018
Wichita Mountain, OK (WIMO1)	Public	07/26/2018
Hercules-Glades, MO (HEGL1)	Public	07/29/2018
Mammoth Cave, KY (MACA1)	Controller	05/07/2019
Great Smoky Mountains, TN (GRSM1)	Controller	05/10/2019
University of CA – Davis	SD Card	05/22/2019
Shenandoah, VA (SHEN1)	Controller	7/26/2019
Theodore Roosevelt, ND (THRO1)	Controller	8/22/2019

New Pump Durability Testing

- Exploring new brushless DC pumps for IMPROVE sampler
 - Variable speed allows for flow control
 - Control software would need to be developed
 - Existing pumps were discontinued
 - Cheaper than existing pumps
- First step is to test durability
 - Existing pumps last 4+ years in field running every 3 days
 - Testing DC pumps in Denali and Davis by running 6 hours on and 2 hours off - will mimic 3 years of service in ~1 year.



Laboratory Updates

MTL Automated Weighing Chamber



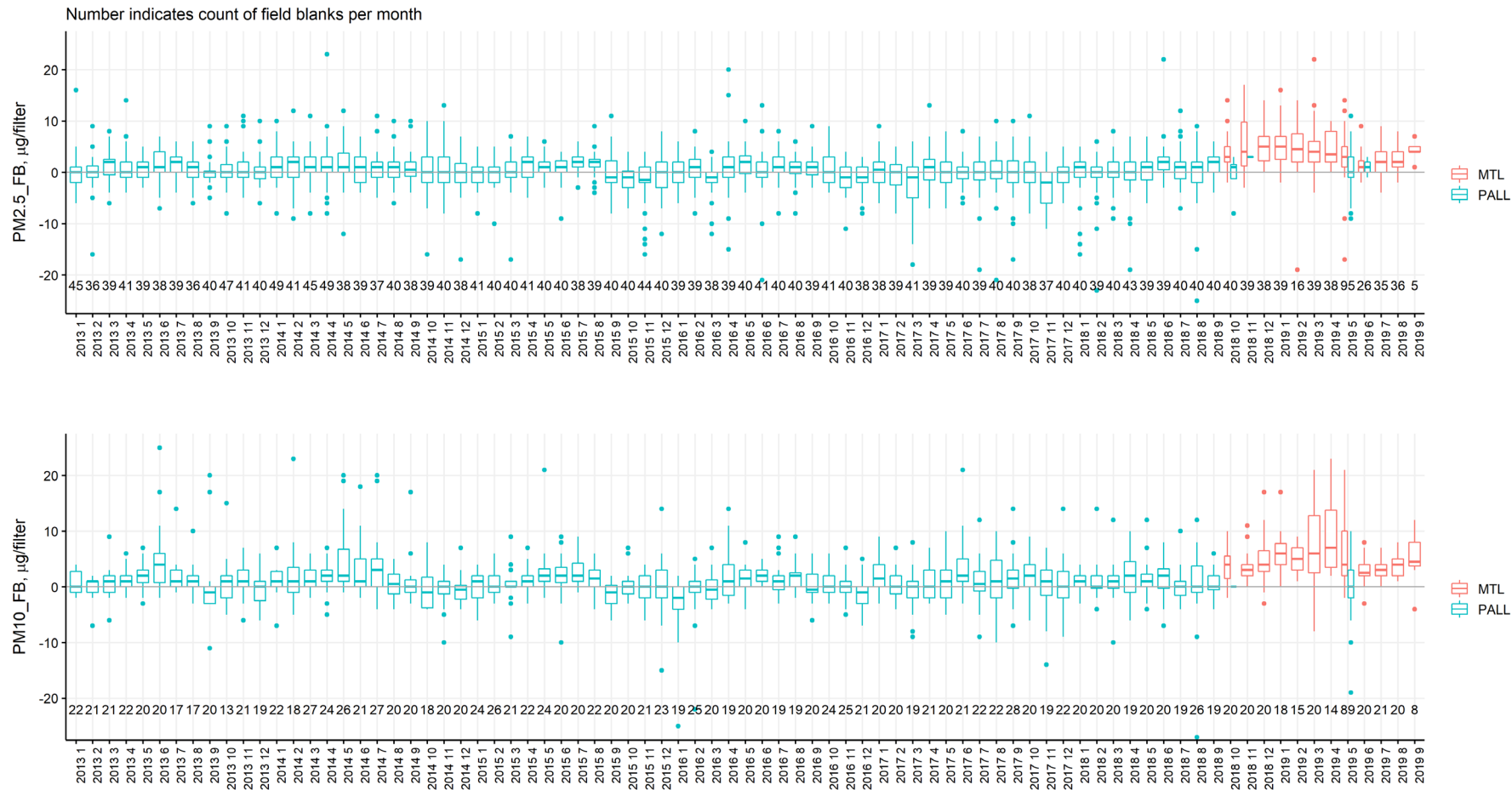
Operational starting October 5, 2018

- Relative humidity set to 39% ($\pm 0.4\%$ with door closed)
- Temperature set to 21.5 °C
- 2-4 hour equilibration time (operationally limited)

Long term testing ongoing:

- Longer equilibration time
- Manual balance vs. chamber system
- Mass gain on blanks

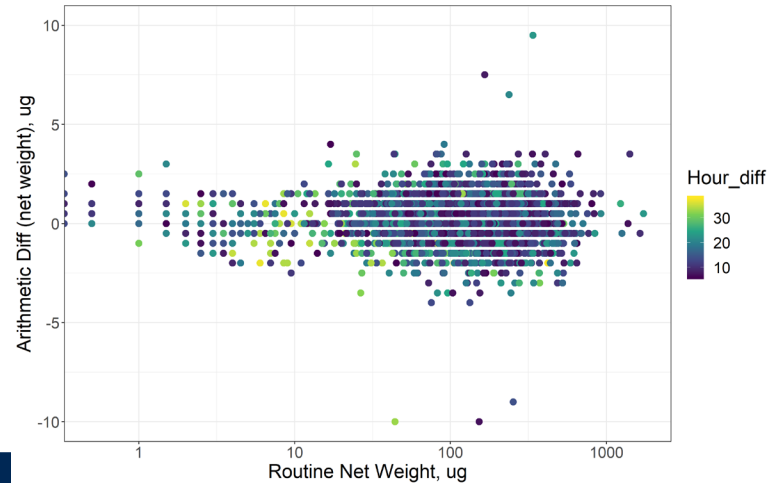
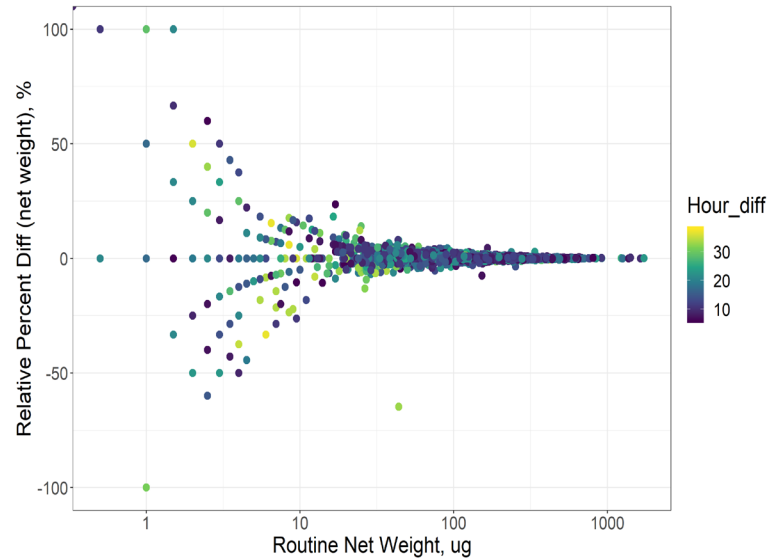
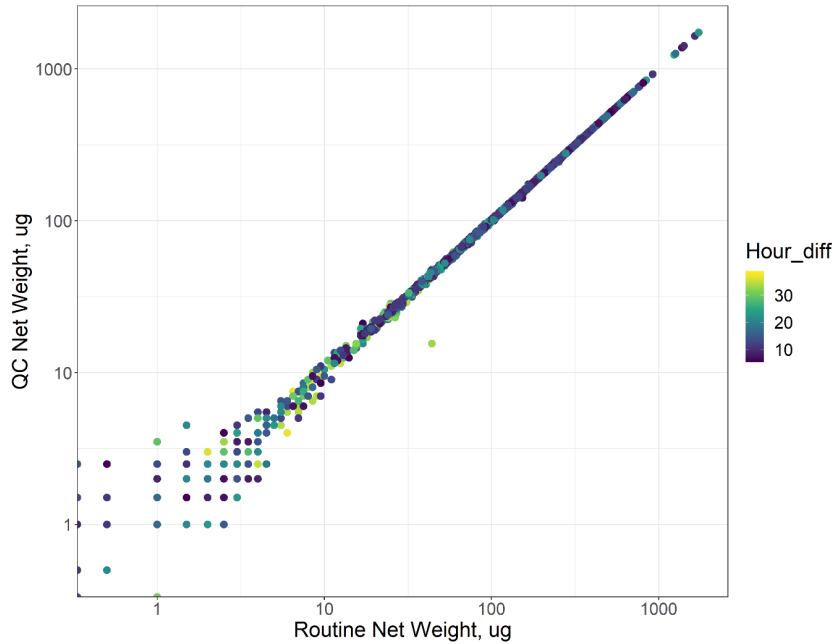
MTL Filter Blank Mass Gain



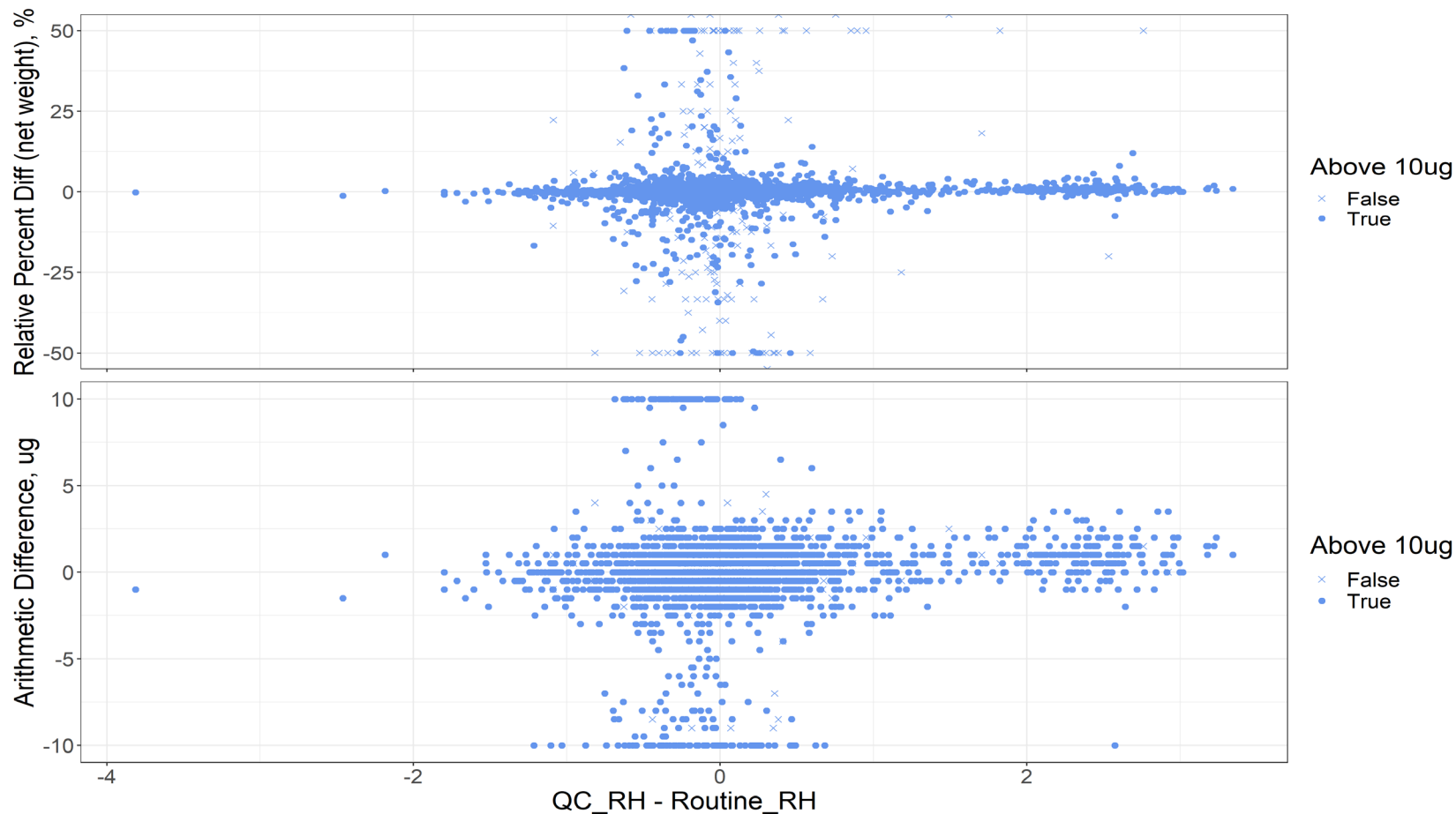
Long-term Testing: Longer Equilibration Time

- Routine equilibration time is 2-4 hours (operationally constrained)
- Repeated weight measurements with longer equilibration time (4 – 40+ hours) during the weekends since 4/20/2019
- A total of 5428 pairs of routine and repeated QC measurements; 2023 pre-weight pairs & 3405 post-weight pairs
- Relative difference (RPD) = $(QC - \text{routine}) / \text{routine} * 100$
- Arithmetic difference = $QC - \text{routine mass}$

No dependence of differences on equilibration time difference



Weight Difference versus RH Difference



Long-term Testing: Manual vs Chamber Comparison

- Pre- and post-weighing a small number of filters on both chamber and manual balances since July 2019.
- Collected 653 pre-mass pairs and 331 post-mass pairs as of 10/7/2019.
- Median “chamber – manual” difference is 6 μg for post-mass, 4 μg for pre-mass, and 3 μg difference in net mass for network samples.

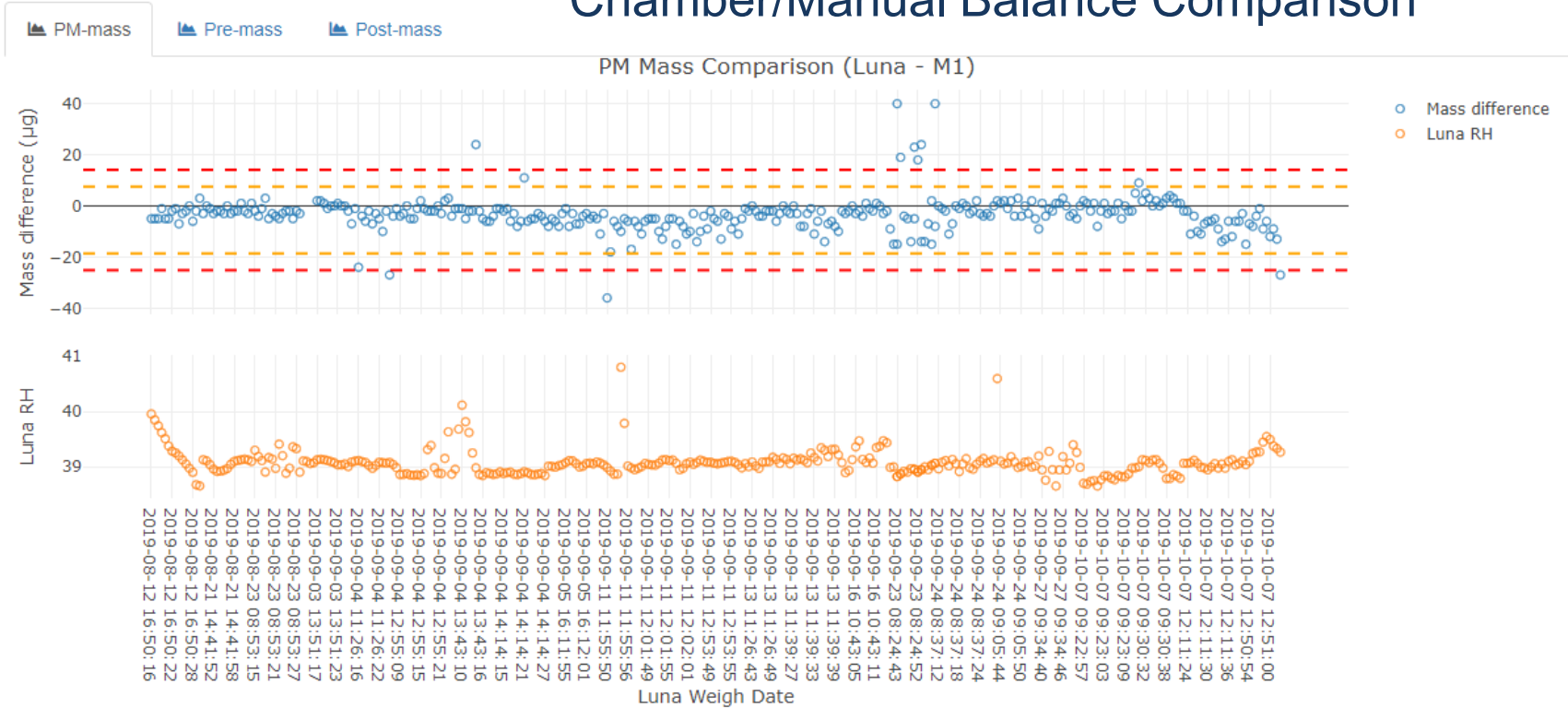
Range of Luna weighing dates

2019-08-09

to

2019-10-08

Prototype Lab QC tool for Chamber/Manual Balance Comparison



tab-pane active tab-1728-1

New XRF Analysis Protocol (Data Advisory)

- KBr secondary target (for better As detection) is eliminated
- Longer irradiation time for some of the other targets to improve sensitivity
- New protocol applied to Oct. 2018 sample analysis onward

Sample Element	Secondary Target	Exposure (sec), Old	Exposure (sec), New
Na – K	CaF ₂	600	600
Ca – Cr	Fe	400	400
Mn – Zn	Ge	300	400
As	KBr	300	
Se – Br	SrF ₂	300	
As– Br	SrF ₂		400
Rb – Sr, Pb	Mo	300	400
Zr	Al ₂ O ₃	200	200

XRF Calibration Reference Materials Publications



Contents lists available at ScienceDirect

Atmospheric Environment

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Generation of multi-element reference materials on PTFE filters mimicking ambient aerosol characteristics

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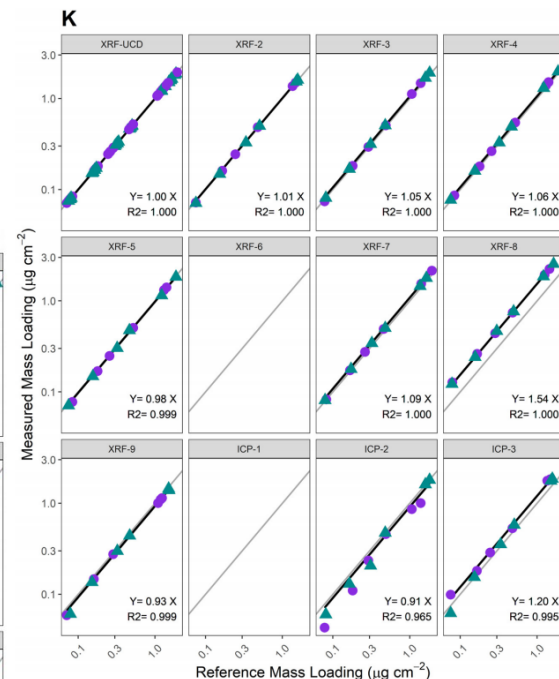
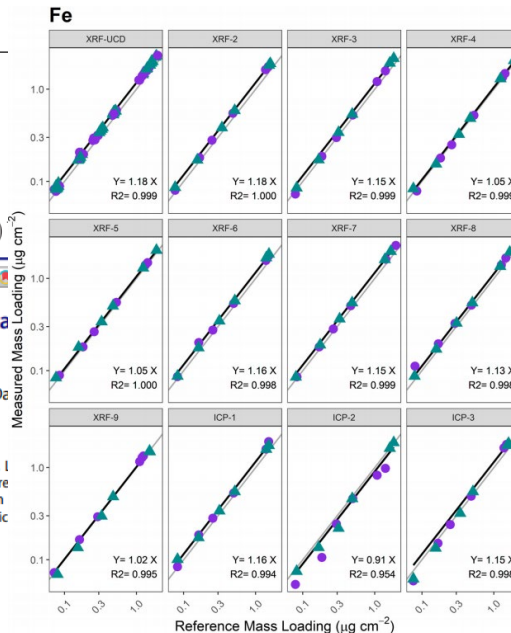
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An inter-laboratory evaluation of new multi-element reference materials for atmospheric particulate matter measurements

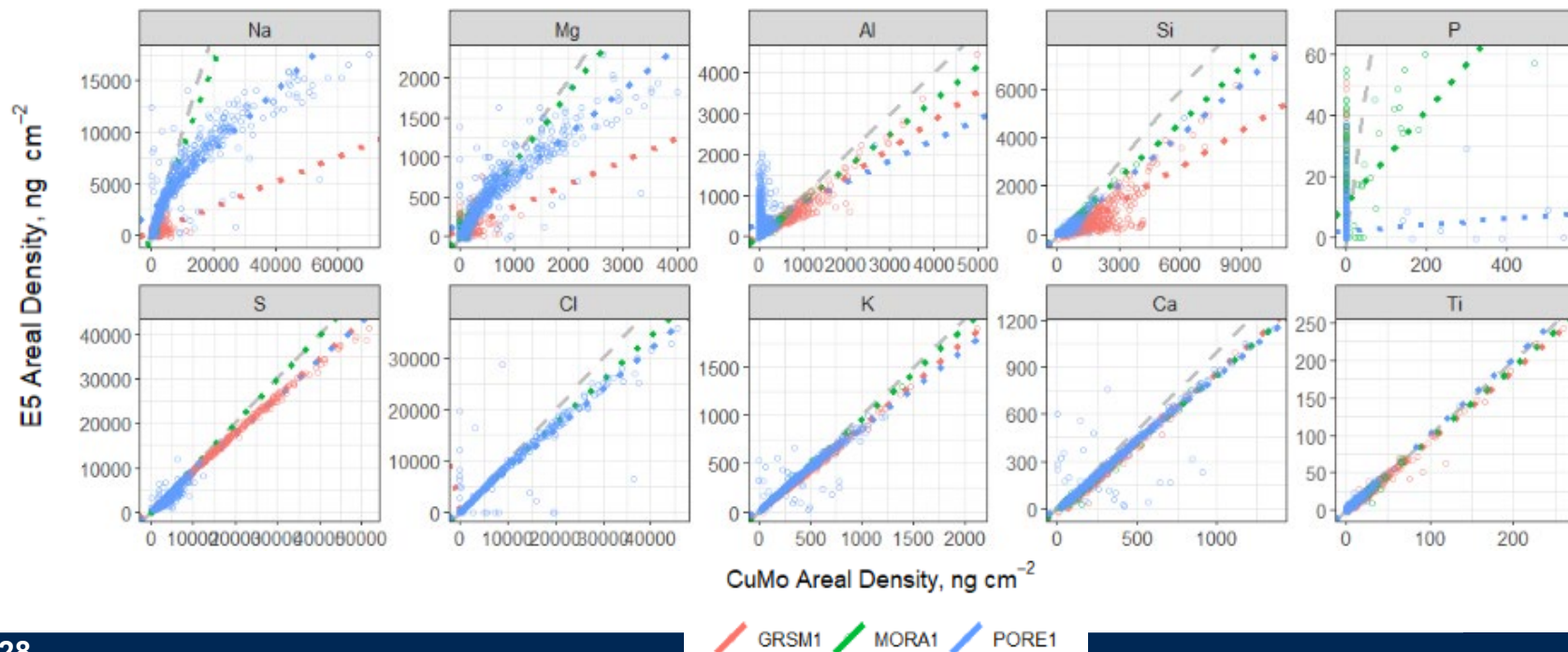
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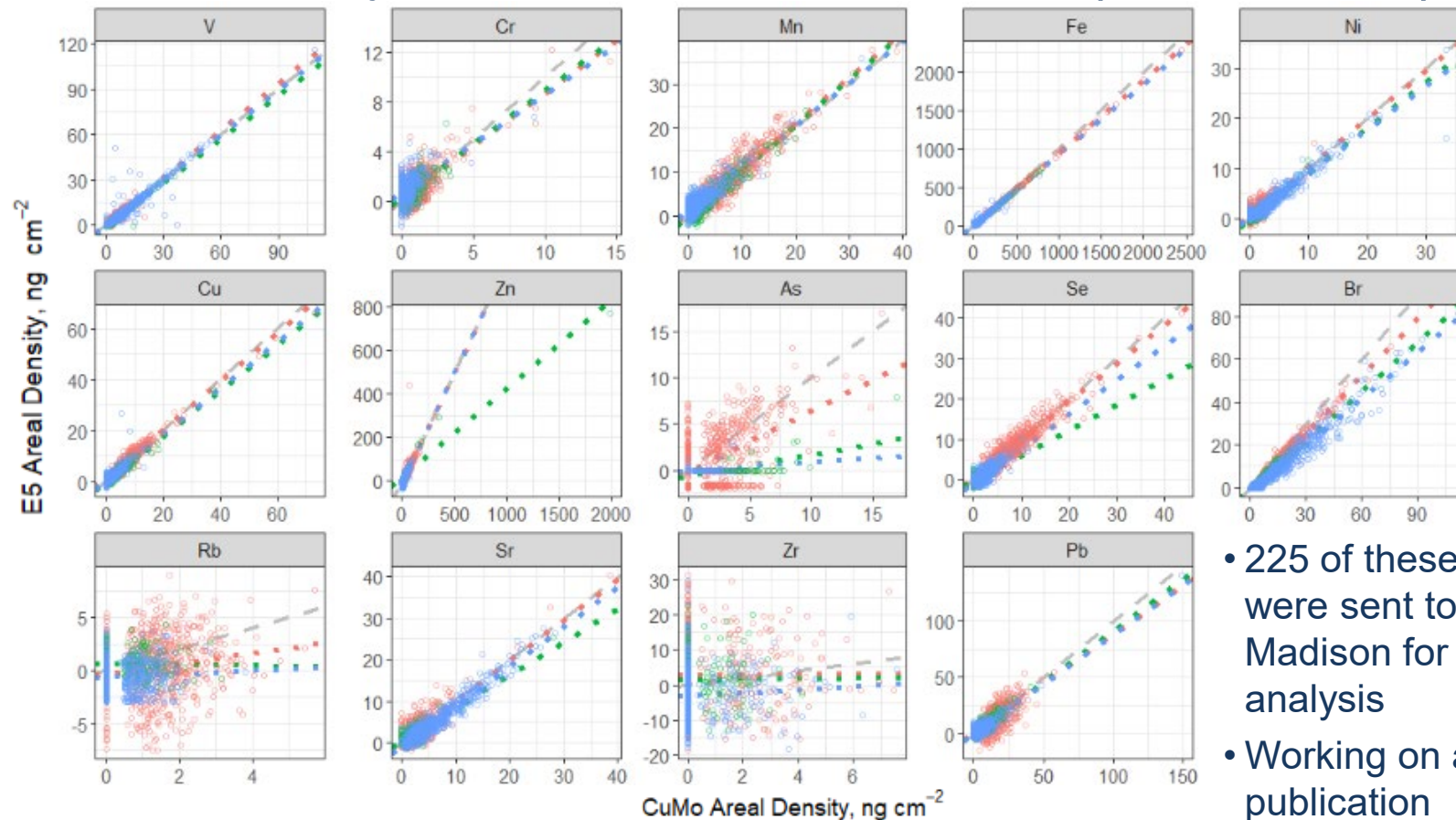


XRF Reanalysis on Archived Filters

- Archived filters from Great Smoky Mountains (GRSM1), Mount Rainier (MORA1), and Point Reyes (PORE1) were reanalyzed on the Panalytical Epsilon5 XRF and compared to results from the legacy Cu-Mo XRF



XRF Reanalysis on Archived Filters (Continued)



- 225 of these filters were sent to UW-Madison for ICP-MS analysis
- Working on a publication

Any questions?

