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Supplementary Materials: Aerosols as Vectors for Contaminants: A Perspective Based on Outdoor Aerosol Data from Kuwait

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Table S1. Polonium-210 activity concentration (Bq kg^{-1} dry weight ±1σ) in size fractioned aerosol samples collected from Remote and Urban sites in Kuwait.

Sampling date	Remote Site			Urban Site		
m/d/a	$PM_{>10}$	$PM_{2.5-10}$	$PM_{0.39-2.5}$	$PM_{>10}$	$PM_{2.5-10}$	$PM_{0.39-2.5}$
2/3/2019	1994±111	2310±157	2086±103	2438±122	2375±165	2537±144
3/3/2019	2315±109	2305±124	2333±127	2352±109	2559±122	2344±108
4/7/2019	2479±138	2218±102	2285±119	2353±121	2353±125	2375±129
5/5/2019	1501±62	2541±152	2314±112	1989±99	2537±114	2399±115
6/2/2019	2812±139	2514±127	2482±140	2232±122	2563±147	2459±137
7/7/2019	3161±170	2722±140	2451±134	1942±101	2566±138	2554±139
8/4/2019	2816±166	2359±123	2227±128	2429±129	2286±125	2575±134
9/1/2019	2458±140	2393±124	2226±117	2299±118	2327±119	2512±128
10/6/2019	2397±128	2727±147	2165±109	2707±130	2643±148	2556±142
11/3/2019	2539±149	2469±142	2421±139	2037±108	2829±161	2599±140
12/1/2019	2913±156	2572±131	2407±113	2233±127	2479±150	2196±112
1/5/2020	2492±134	2886±155	2410±128	2158±122	2909±158	2356±133
1/19/2020	2431±112	2447±123	2439±142	2613±149	2775±144	2437±116
2/2/2020	2402±126	2722±115	2358±111	2257±120	2936±145	2786±112
Mean	**2482**	**2513**	**2329**	**2289**	**2581**	**2477**

Table S2. Lead-210 activity concentration (Bq kg^{-1} dry weight ±1σ) in size fractioned aerosol samples collected from Remote and Urban sites in Kuwait.

Sampling date	Remote Site			Urban Site		
m/d/a	$PM_{>10}$	$PM_{2.5-10}$	$PM_{0.39-2.5}$	$PM_{>10}$	$PM_{2.5-10}$	$PM_{0.39-2.5}$
2/3/2019	563±21	617±19	615±19	849±21	743±22	753±24
3/3/2019	674±20	732±23	709±23	823±21	860±22	744±26
4/7/2019	735±27	721±20	663±24	730±20	735±21	685±17
5/5/2019	464±19	733±21	676±20	585±16	772±25	756±23
6/2/2019	1013±28	816±21	717±22	692±19	801±19	733±23
7/7/2019	1045±32	861±23	714±18	607±18	830±23	777±22
8/4/2019	895±25	775±21	640±20	770±22	684±22	774±23
9/1/2019	654±20	706±22	730±23	759±21	693±15	791±29

10/6/2019	879±23	856±21	652±19	841±23	823±22	782±21
11/3/2019	780±22	749±22	836±22	635±22	812±19	807±27
12/1/2019	993±26	840±16	777±20	690±20	826±24	678±19
1/5/2020	689±20	985±27	783±20	693±15	963±23	736±20
1/19/2020	740±22	807±23	764±23	792±22	824±20	783±19
2/2/2020	747±25	895±21	759±22	734±19	928±24	879±24
Mean	**777**	**793**	**720**	**729**	**807**	**763**

Table S3. Bacterial and Fungal load in outdoor aerosols.

Date	***Size Cut off***	***Bacterial cells m^{-3} of air***	***Fungal cells m^{-3} of air***
15/02/2021	< 0.22 µm	7.92E+05	<LOD
	> 0.22 µm	6.05E+03	<LOD
22/02/2021	< 0.22 µm	1.21E+07	<LOD
	> 0.22 µm	1.78E+05	<LOD
12/04/2021	< 0.22 µm	1.24E+08	2.66E+06
	> 0.22 µm	3.73E+04	6.53E+03
20/04/2021	< 0.22 µm	1.05E+08	2.69E+06
	> 0.22 µm	8.42E+05	7.33E+03
27/04/2021	< 0.22 µm	7.81E+06	<LOD
	> 0.22 µm	2.08E+06	3.73E+02
04/05/2021	< 0.22 µm	2.57E+07	8.40E+03
	> 0.22 µm	4.60E+05	3.99E+02
10/05/2021	< 0.22 µm	1.82E+07	1.51E+04
	> 0.22 µm	1.53E+06	2.11E+02
20/05/2021	< 0.22 µm	3.01E+07	<LOD
	> 0.22 µm	6.17E+06	<LOD