

Special Issue

Formation and Transformation of Organic Aerosol

Message from the Guest Editor

Atmospheric particles adversely affect human health—every year they are estimated to result in millions of premature deaths worldwide. Organic aerosol (OA) globally comprises the majority of the submicron particle mass, yet our understanding of OA formation and transformation is incomplete. Although it is clear that oxidation of gas-phase compounds and processing of particle-phase compounds play important roles in OA formation and transformation, the underlying chemistry and thermodynamics are poorly understood. As a result, modeling efforts often lead to underestimations of ambient OA loadings. This highlights the need for additional experimental data on the formation and transformation of OA, including the relationships between chemical transformation and changes in physicochemical properties of the OA, such as its volatility. Modeling studies with updated OA formation and transformation processes are also needed. Manuscripts related to these aspects are welcome for this Special Issue.

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