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Aerosol absorption in global models from AeroCom phase III

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Table S1: Total AAOD for AeroCom Phase II using emission for year 2000. For details see Myhre et al. (2013).

Model	AAOD
BCC	0.0023
CAM4-Oslo	0.0047
CAM5.1	0.0069
GISS-MATRIX	0.0076
GISS-OMA	0.0055
GMI	0.0035
GOCART	0.0073
HadGEM2	0.0033
IMPACT-Umich	0.0032
INCA	0.0029
ECHAM5-HAM	0.0032
OsloCTM2	0.0043
SPRINTARS	0.0028
TM5	0.0020
MODEL MEAN	0.0042
MODEL MEDIAN	0.0034
STD.DEV	0.0019

5 Table S2: Total AAOD for this study (AeroCom Phase III).

Model	AAOD
CAM5-ATRAS	0.0034
EC-Earth3	0.0067
ECHAM-HAM	0.0042
ECHAM-SALSA	0.0091
GFDL	0.0084
GISS-MATRIX	0.0098
INCA	0.0042
NorESM2	0.0038
OsloCTM3	0.0055
SPRINTARS	0.0020
TM5	0.0064
ECMWF-IFS	0.0055
EMEP	0.0025
GEOS	0.0040

GISS-OMA	0.0050
MODEL MEAN	0.0054
MODEL MEDIAN	0.0050
STD DEV	0.0023

Table S3: Global mean BC AAOD, BC MAC [$\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$], BC mass load [mg m^{-2}], BC density [g cm^{-3}], and BC refractive index (imaginary)

Model	BC AAOD	BC MAC [m^2/g]	BC load [mg/m^2]	BC density [g/cm^3]	BC refractive index (i)	BC MAC theory [m^2/g]
CAM5-ATRAS	0.0021	9.1	0.23	1.80	0.79	5.60
ECHAM-HAM	0.0035	10.2	0.34	2.00	0.71	-
ECHAM-SALSA	0.0077	15.0	0.51	2.00	0.71	-
GFDL	0.0055	17.7	0.31	1.00	0.44	7.33
INCA	0.0021	7.5	0.28	1.55	0.44	-
NorESM2	0.0028	8.4	0.33	1.80	0.79	-
OsloCTM3	0.0037	12.4	0.23	1.00	0.44	7.33
EMEP	0.0014	10.4	0.13	1.00	-	-
GEOS	0.0016	7.8	0.21	1.00	0.45	7.47
GISS-OMA	0.0022	10.0	0.22	1.30	0.71	-
SPRINTARS	0.0007	3.1	0.23	2.30	0.44	2.78
MODEL MEAN	0.0030	10.1	0.28	1.52	0.59	6.10
MODEL MEDIAN	0.0022	10.0	0.23	1.55	0.58	7.33

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Table S4: Global mean OA AAOD, OA MAC [$\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$], OA mass load [mg m^{-2}], OA density [g cm^{-3}], and OA refractive index (imaginary)

Model	OA AAOD	OA MAC [m^2/g]	OA load [mg/m^2]	OA density [g/cm^3]	OA refractive index (i)
CAM5-ATRAS	0.00062	0.16	3.83	1.80	5.7E-03
ECHAM-HAM	0.00071	0.32	2.24	2.00	5.5E-03
ECHAM-SALSA	0.00037	0.11	3.36	2.00	5.5E-03
NorESM2	0.00090	0.15	5.85	1.50	6.0E-03
GEOS	0.00041	0.10	3.89	1.80	5.0E-03
GFDL	0.00087	0.21	4.05	1.80	2.0E-03
GISS-OMA	0.00071	0.28	2.55	1.50	1.4E-02

INCA	0.00022	0.14	1.55	1.73	5.5E-03
OsloCTM3	0.00020	0.06	3.23	1.30	3.3E-02
SPRINTARS	0.00030	0.12	2.43	1.80	6.0E-03
MODEL MEAN	0.00053	0.17	3.30	1.72	8.8E-03
MODEL MEDIAN	0.00052	0.15	3.29	1.80	5.6E-03

15 **Table S5: Global mean dust AAOD, dust MAC [$\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$], dust mass load [mg m^{-2}], dust density [g cm^{-3}], and dust refractive index (imaginary)**

Model	Dust AAOD	Dust MAC [m^2/g]	Dust load [mg/m^2]	Dust density [g/cm^3]	Dust refractive index (i)
CAM5-ATRAS	0.0009	0.03	31.66	2.60	2.07E-03
ECHAM-HAM	0.0006	0.02	37.90	2.65	1.00E-03
ECHAM-SALSA	0.0011	0.03	33.53	2.65	1.10E-03
NorESM2	0.0006	0.06	11.29	2.60	2.40E-03
EMEP	0.0011	0.04	28.02	2.60	-
GEOS	0.0020	0.05	42.99	2.65	7.80E-03
GFDL	0.0021	0.08	25.31	2.65	2.03E-03
GISS-OMA	0.0021	0.05	40.30	2.65	2.00E-03
INCA	0.0018	0.05	38.02	2.65	1.47E-03
OsloCTM3	0.0017	0.04	39.35	2.60	3.10E-03
SPRINTARS	0.0007	0.03	22.94	2.60	2.00E-03
MODEL MEAN	0.0013	0.04	31.94	2.63	2.50E-03
MODEL MEDIAN	0.0011	0.04	33.53	2.65	2.02E-03

20 **Table S6: Reference list for observed BC MAC values [$\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$]; location, BC MAC value converted to 550 nm, BC MAC value at reported wavelength and reference.**

Location	MAC [$\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$] (550)	MAC [$\text{m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$] at reported wavelength	Reference
Large set of data	7.5 ± 1.2 and $11 \text{ m}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$ at 550 nm for fresh and aged BC particles		Bond and Bergstrom (2006)
Urban	6.8 – 8.7		Hitzenberger et al. (2006)
Mexico City	8.7-8.9	5.5-5.6 (870) ¹	Doran et al. (2007)
Mexico	13.1	10.9 (660)	Subramanian et al. (2010)
High altitude (winter)	8.6	7.5 (630)	Cozic et al. (2008)
High altitude (summer)	12.7	11 (630)	

Denver	9.7	10 (532) ²	Knox et al. (2009)
Different sites in India	7.4 – 17.3	Between 6 and 14 (at 678 nm)	Ram and Sarin (2009)
Urban (Barcelona)	10.7	9.2 (637)	Reche et al. (2011)
Traffic (Bern)	11.9	10.3 (637)	
Industrial (Huelva)	11.4	9.8 (637)	
Urban (Paris)	13.8	8.6 (880)	Laborde et al. (2013)
Shenzhen (China)	6.3	6.5 ± 0.5 (532)	Lan et al. (2013)
South Texas	7.8	8.1 (532)	Levy et al. (2013)
Mediterranean basin, remote, high-altitude site	12.6	10.9 ± 3.5 (637)	Pandolfi et al. (2014)
Arctic	5.7	around 6 (522 nm)	Yttri et al. (2014)
Pacific, the HIPPO campaign, pristine	11.3 (550)	11.3 (550)	Wang et al. (2014)
Rural North China	12.3	10 (678)	Cui et al. (2016)
Flare emission plumes in North Dakota	15.4 ± 11.5	16 ± 12 (530)	Weyant et al. (2016)
Lab measurements mimicking observations in Mexico city	7.89 ± 0.25	7.89 ± 0.25 (550)	You et al. (2016)
Aspvreten (SE)	9.8	8.51 (637)	Zanatta et al. (2016)
Birkenes (NO)	9.1	7.86 (637)	
Finokalia (GR)	14.3	12.4 (637)	
Harwell (GB)	15.6	13.5 (637)	
Ispra (IT)	11.1	9.61 (637)	
Melpitz (DE)	10.7	9.23 (637)	
Montseny (ES)	10.3	8.92 (637)	
Puy de Dôme (FR)	20.0	17.3 (637)	
Vavihill (SE)	7.5	6.47(637)	
Urban China		14.6 ± 5.6 (532)	
Fresno, Italy	7.4	7.9 ± 1.5 (532)	Presler-Jur et al. (2017)
	9.1	7.4 ± 2.6	Bai et al. (2018)
Urban North China Rural North China (mountain)	9.6	7.8 ± 2.7	
Maldives	16.4	13.3 ± 4.2 (678)	Budhavant et al. (2020)
GoPoEx 2014 campaign, East Asia	6.6	6.4 ± 1.5 (565)	Cho et al. (2019)
Northwest China	13.3	8.3 (880) as an average of 7.4, 5.7, 8.1 and 12.1	Zhang et al. (2019)
Milan, Italy	9.9	10.2 (532)	Forello et al. (2019)
China	11.4	11.8 (532)	Ma et al. (2020)

Conversion formula, where we assume Ångström exponent to be 1: $MAC_{atXnm} * \exp(-\log(550/X))$

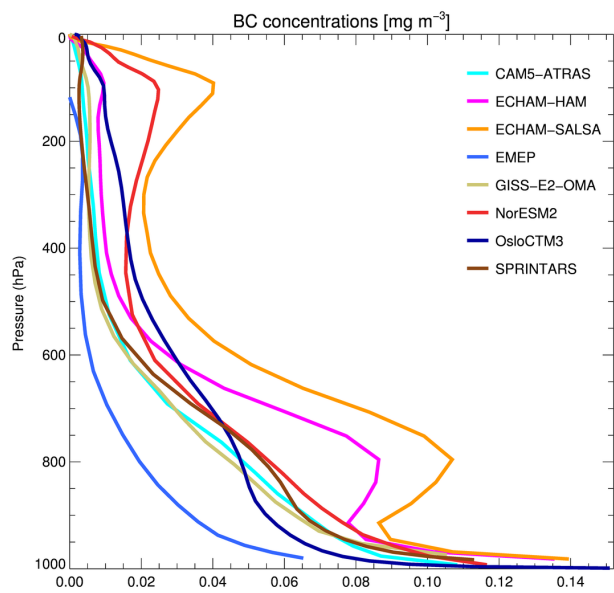


Figure S1: Global mean vertical distribution of BC concentrations [mg m⁻³] in AeroCom Phase III.

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